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Synaptic vesicle pools are a major hidden resting metabolic burden of nerve terminals

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Fig S1. Inhibition of Na*/K* pump by ouabain causes a rapid membrane depolarization but not an immediate raise in cytosolic Ca²⁺ at nerve terminals. A and **B** Membrane potential measured in the absence of TTX from synaptic boutons expressing Arclight. **A**, Average Arclight trace of WT neurons before (black trace) and after addition of 1mM ouabain (orange trace). Inverted fluorescence expressed as a percentage of the maximal (inverted) fluorescence change on perfusion with 80mM KCI per neuron. **a**, Representative Arclight trace showing fluorescent plateau upon application of 80mM KCI. **B**, Ouabain causes a rapid fluorescence change associated with depolarization of the membrane potential (0min = -0.1%KCl_{Max} ± 0.9 vs 6min: 52.51%KCl_{Max} ± 4.03; n = 6, ****p < 0.0001). **C**, Average GCaMP6f trace of WT neurons in presence (orange trace, n = 7) or absence of TTX (blue trace, n = 8) before and after perfusion with 1mM ouabain. Fluorescence expressed as a percentage of the maximal ΔF from lonomycin treatment. ± SEM intervals are indicated by shaded colored areas. Dashed gray line indicates 5% level. **D**, Ouabain application does not cause an immediate raise in the cytosolic free Ca²⁺. Ouabain is applied for several minutes before cytosolic Ca²⁺ levels exceed 5% of the maximal Δ F from Ionomycin treatment in neurons treated with TTX (blue dots) or without TTX (orange dots), respectively as: 31.8min ± 3.24 and 17min ± 3.1. Error bars indicate SEM. **p < 0.01, Wilcoxon-Mann-Whitney test.



Fig S2. H* efflux is temperature dependent. H* flux from synaptic vesicles measured in hippocampal neurons expressing vG-pH. **A**, Average vG-pH traces of control neurons at either 37°C or at 25°C in presence of TTX before and after perfusion with bafilomycin. Fluorescence expressed as a percentage of the maximum fluorescence change expected for pH = 6.9 (%F_{pH6.9}) based on perfusion with NH₄Cl (see methods) ± SEM intervals are indicated by shaded colored areas. **a**, Average vG-pH traces in response to 100APs. **B**, Lowering the temperature from 37°C to 25°C reduced the SV H* efflux rate by a factor of ~2. (37°C: 0.117% $F_{pH6.9}$ /s ± 0.01 (n = 13) vs 25°C: 0.055% $F_{PH6.9}$ /s ± 0.012 (n = 7)). Error bars indicate SEM. ***p < 0.001, Wilcoxon-Mann-Whitney test.



Fig S3. Unmasking SV H⁺ efflux depends on ATPase block. SV H⁺ efflux from synaptic vesicles expressing vG-pH measured in the absence of TTX and at different concentration of bafilomycin (close symbols) or folimycin (open symbols). Concentration ranged from 10nM – 500nM. **A**, Control neurons. In bafilomycin control (gray line, close symbols), H⁺ flux change from 50nM to 500nM was not significant different (50nM: 0.14%F_{pH6.9}/s ± 0.025 (n = 9) vs 500nM: 0.16%F_{pH6.9}/s ± 0.017 (n = 11); n.s. p = 0.6), therefore, we used 500nM as the effective V-ATPase blockage to measure SV H⁺ efflux. **B** and **C**, Neurons where exocytosis was genetically suppressed. **B**, Neurons expressing tetanus toxin light chain (TeNT). **C**, Neurons suppressing expression of Munc13 (Munc13-KD). Error bars indicate SEM. *p < 0.05, ***p < 0.001, Wilcoxon-Mann-Whitney test.



Fig S4. Spontaneous synaptic vesicle exocytosis is suppressed in Munc13-KD neurons. Spontaneous release measured from synaptic vesicles expressing vG-pH upon addition of a hypertonic solution (Sucrose [500mM]). **A**, Average vG-pH traces in response to 100APs (10Hz) in control neurons (Ctrl, black trace, n = 9) or in neurons where exocytosis is genetically suppressed by ablating expression of Munc13 (Munc13-KD, red trace, n = 7), before (dark color tone) and after addition of TTX (light color tone). ΔF values are normalized to maximal ΔF from NH4Cl treatment (ΔF/ΔFNH₄Cl). **B**, vG-pH average traces of Ctrl and Munc13-KD neurons measured in presence of TTX before and after perfusion with Sucrose [500mM]. Fluorescence expressed as a percentage of the maximal ΔF from NH₄Cl treatment. ± SEM intervals are indicated by shaded colored areas. **C**, Hypertonic sucrose application increases the rate of spontaneous exocytosis in control neurons as measured with vG-pH fluorescence (normalized to ΔFNH₄Cl) but not in Munc13-KD neurons. Percentage of fluorescent increase in Ctrl and Munc13-KD neurons measured 30s after application of sucrose, respectively as: 8.54%NH₄Cl_{Max} ± 2.4 and 0.48%NH₄Cl_{Max} ± 0.58. Error bars indicate SEM. ****p < 0.001, Wilcoxon-Mann-Whitney test.



Fig S5. Expression of a ShRNA targeting vGlut1 resulted in ~80% suppression of vGlut1 expression. A, Representative presynaptic boutons from a neuron expressing an mTagBFP-vGlut1-Sh (stained with FlutoTag-X2 anti-TagFP Atto488). BFP-positive boutons (white circles) show much lower vGlut1 immunofluorescence when compared with neighboring non-transfected boutons (yellow circles). B Distribution of vGlut1 expression in boutons transfected with mTagBFP-vGlut1-Sh (n = 2050) normalized to their respective neighboring non-transfected boutons (n = 1904) from 24 neurons. Respectively as: mean \pm SEM: 20.7% \pm 0.7 vs 100% \pm 1.4.



Fig S6. Changes in cytosolic pH during 2DG perfusion is similar in vGlut1-KD neurons or during bafilomycin treatment. Cytosolic pH measurements from hippocampal neurons expressing a cytoplasmic pHluorin. **A**, Average cytosolic pH traces in WT neurons in control (n = 8), in Bafilomycin (n = 5) and vGlut1-KD (n = 6) in presence of glucose (first 5min) and 2DG. **B**, 2DG causes a cytosolic pH decrease, as previously reported (1). Ctrl: pH_{Glucose} 6.85 ± 0.03 vs pH_{2DG} 6.6 ± 0.04 (n = 8; p < 0.0001); bafilomycin: pH_{Glucose} 6.83 ± 0.04 vs pH_{2DG} 6.64 ± 0.04 (n = 5; p < 0.02); vGlut1-KD: pH_{Glucose} 6.87 ± 0.04 vs pH_{2DG} 6.53 ± 0.08 (n = 6; p < 0.005). **C**, Similar pH decrease was observed in control, vGlut1-KD and bafilomycin neurons.