

Supplementary Information for

Arrestin-mediated Desensitization Enables Intra-neuronal Olfactory Discrimination in *C. elegans*

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Fig. S1. *arr-1(vs96)* exhibits an AWA olfactory discrimination deficit similar to *arr-1(ok401)*. Chemotaxis of wild type N2 animals and *arr-1(vs96)* animals to a point of the AWA-sensed odorant pyrazine on unsaturated plates and plates containing a saturating concentration of the AWA-sensed odorant diacetyl. A two-way ANOVA revealed a significant interaction between strain and saturation condition (F=7.294, p<0.05), and a t-test indicated a significant difference between N2 and *arr-1(vs96)* in the diacetyl saturated condition (t=3.80, p<0.01).



Fig. S2. Barbadin has no effect on unsaturated isoamyl alcohol chemotaxis. Chemotaxis of N2 and *arr-1(ok401)* animals to a point of isoamyl alcohol on plates with and without Barbadin. A two-way ANOVA revealed no effect of drug presence (F=0.012, p > 0.05), and t-tests revealed no significant effect of Barbadin in either the N2 (t=0.847, p > 0.05) or *arr-1(ok401)* (t=0.928, p > 0.05) genotypes.



Fig. S3. *arr-1(ok401)* mutant animals exhibit enhanced chemotaxis to a point of diacetyl in a saturating context of diacetyl relative to wild type. Chemotaxis of wild type N2 animals and *arr-1(ok401)* animals to a point of diacetyl on both unsaturated plates and plates containing a saturating concentration of diacetyl. A two-way ANOVA revealed a significant interaction between strain and saturation condition (F=18.33, p<0.01), and a t-test indicated a significant difference between N2 and *arr-1(ok401)* in the benzaldehyde saturated condition (t=2.41, p<0.05).



Fig. S4. *arr-1(ok401);odr-10(ky225)* double mutant animals and *odr-10(ky225)* single mutant animals display similar diacetyl chemotaxis. Chemotaxis of *arr-1(ok401)*, *odr-10(ky225)*, and *arr-1(ok401)*; *odr-10(ky225)* animals to a point of diacetyl on unsaturated plates. A t-test between *odr-10(ky225)* and an *arr-1(ok401);odr-10(ky225)* double mutant revealed no significant difference (t=-0.87, p>0.05).