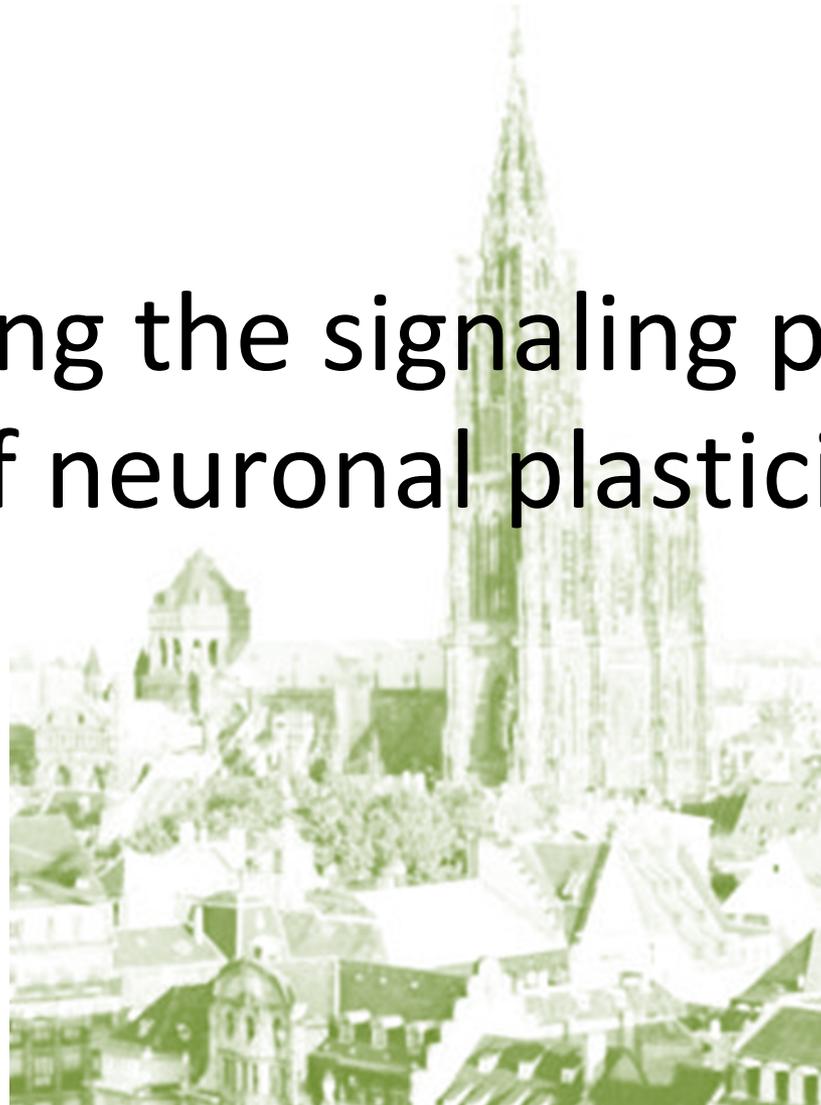




Modelling the signaling pathways of neuronal plasticity

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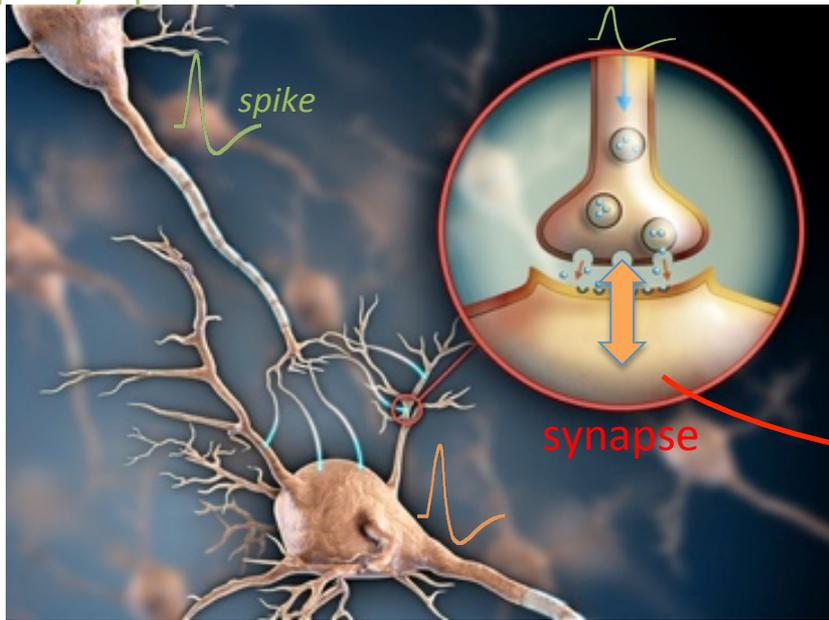
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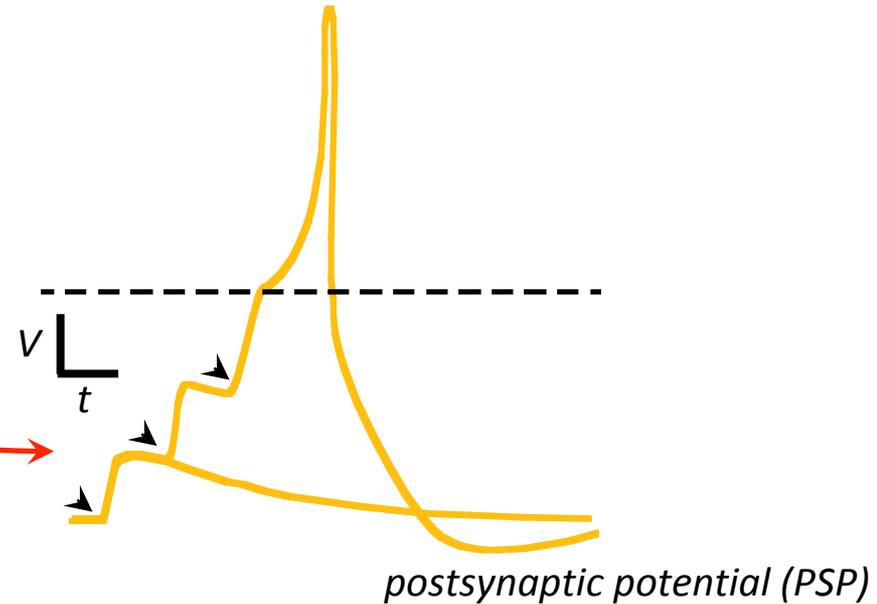


A primer on synaptic transmission

presynaptic



postsynaptic

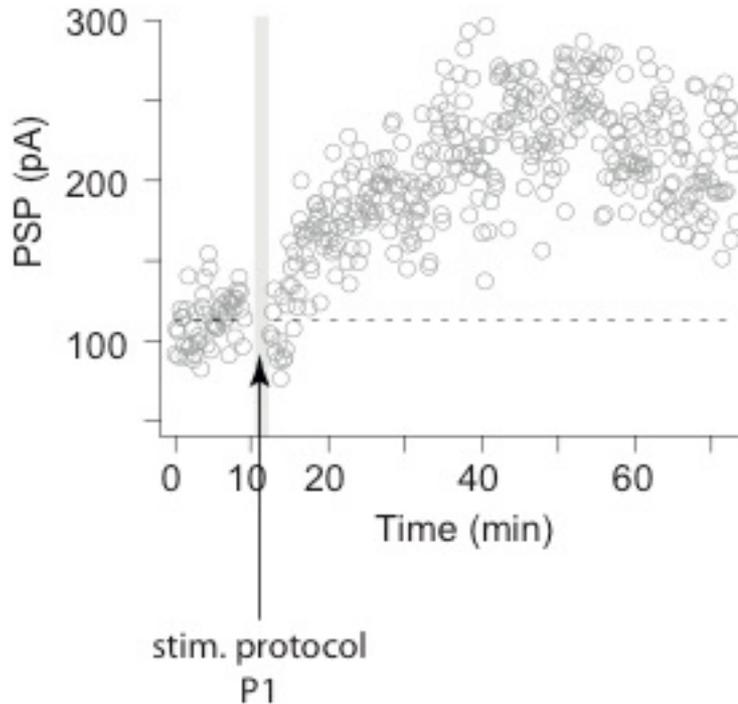


- The amplitude of each PSP is a measure of the influence of presyn. → postsyn.
- It is called the *synaptic weight*

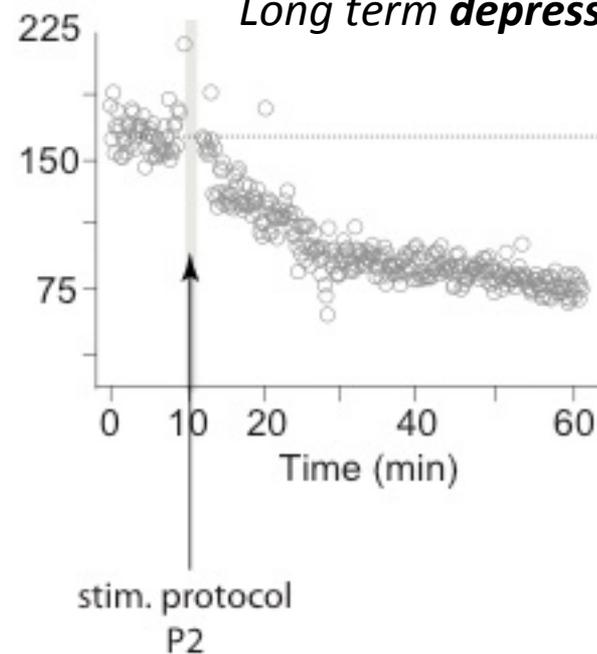


Synaptic plasticity = changes of synaptic weight by neuronal activity

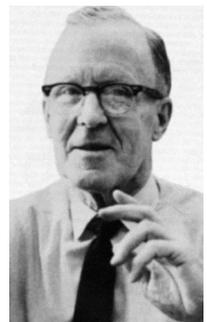
Long term potentiation



Long term depression



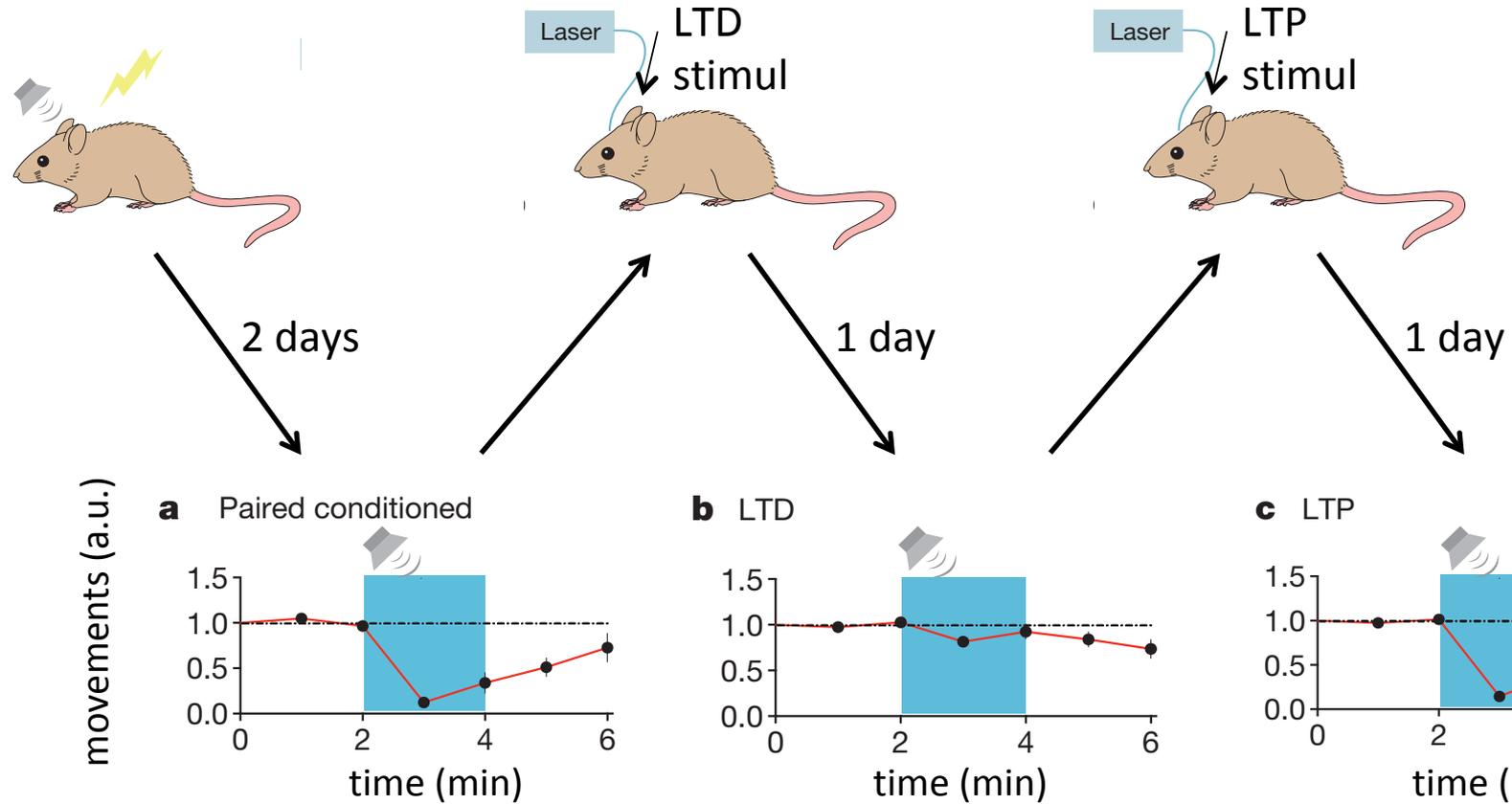
D.O. Hebb, 1949



Weight changes maintained = memory



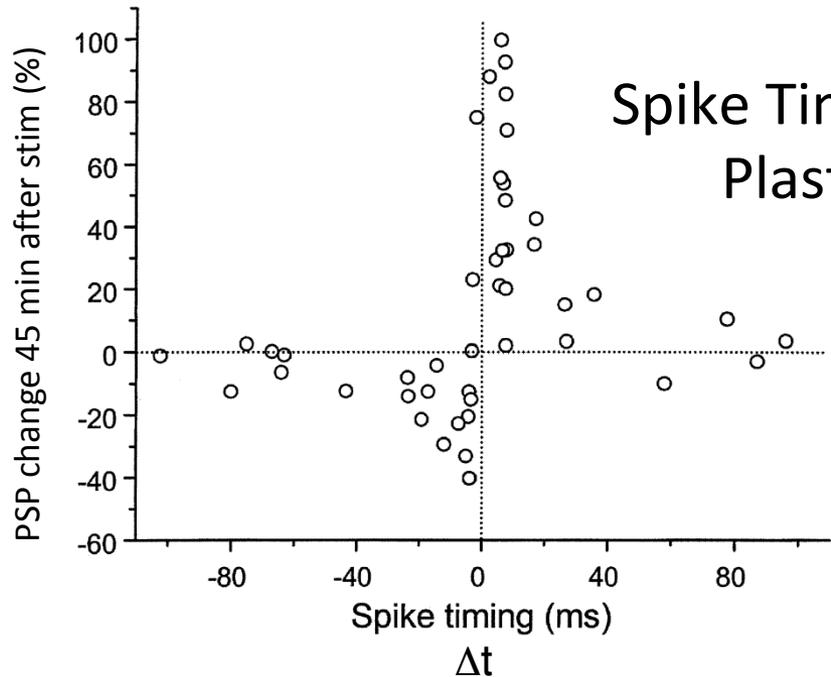
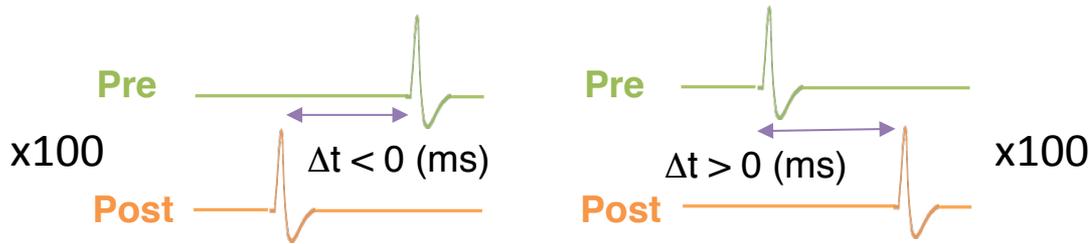
Long term plasticity is one substrate of learning & memory



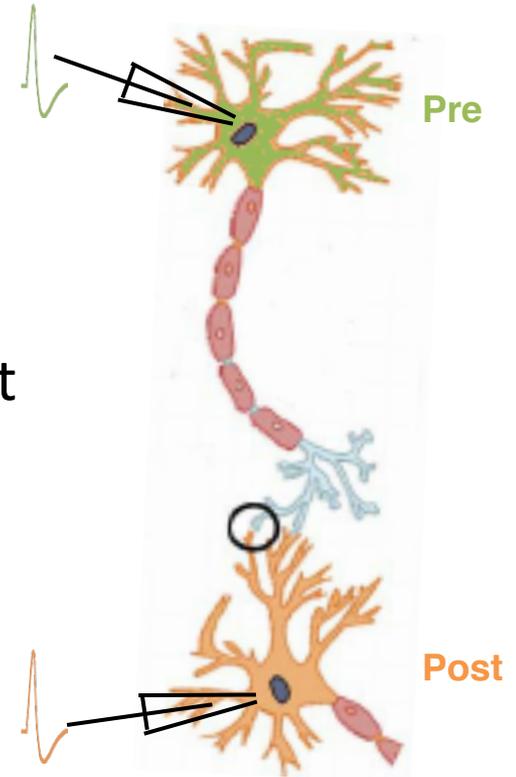
Nabavi et al., *Nature* 2014



Spike-timing controls plasticity



Spike Timing Dependent
Plasticity (STDP)



Markram et al., 1997 *Science*
Bi and Poo 1998 *J Neurosci*

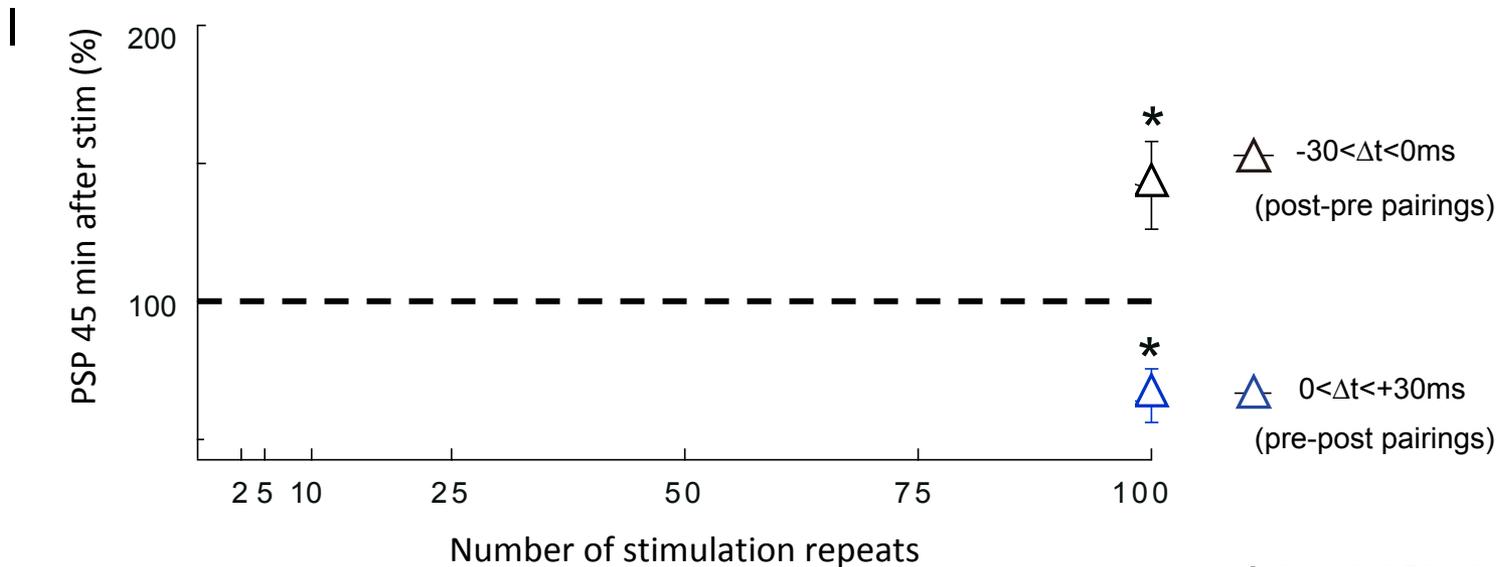


Open questions in STDP

- *in vivo* expression
- causal role in learning and memory
- variable depending on brain areas, external modulation (dopamine, serotonin)
- how is it implemented by signaling networks
- implication in pathologies



What happens with less stimulation?

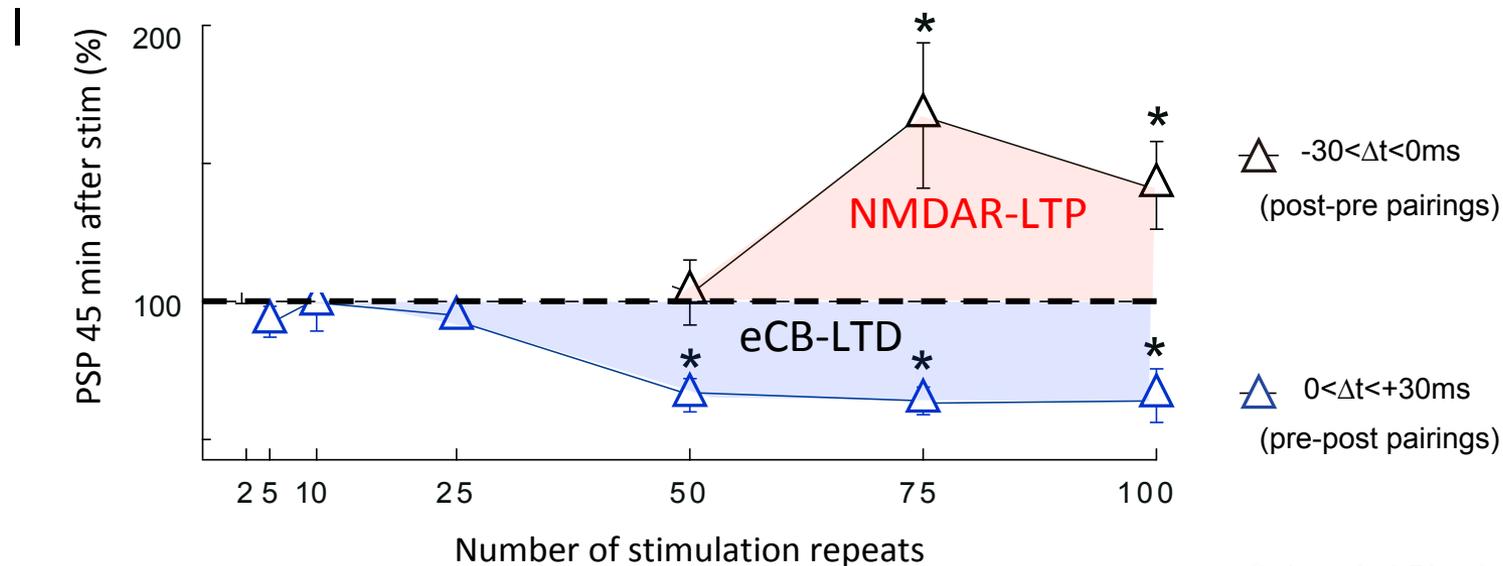


Cui et al. J Physiol 2015



What happens with less stimulation?

LTP and LTD both progressively disappear



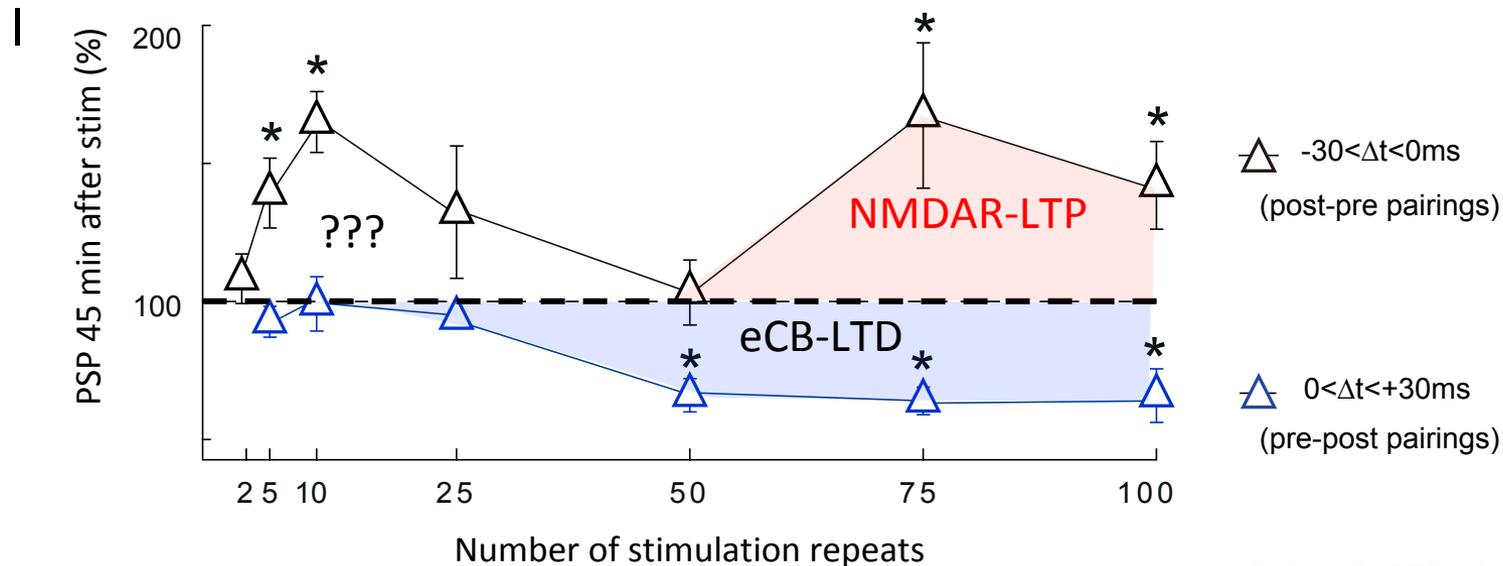
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What happens with less stimulation?

A new LTP appears low stimulation counts (5-25)

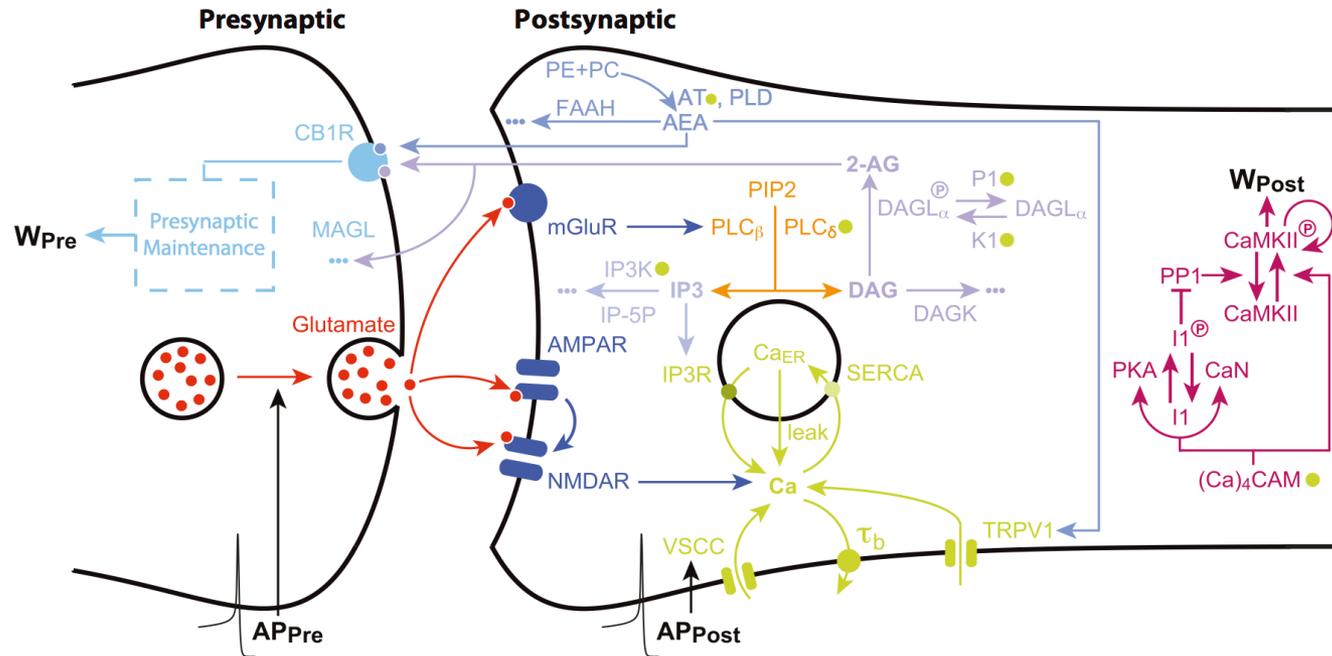
- *molecular mechanism?* Not NMDAR, eCB=LTD
- *disappear?*



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A mathematical model of the signaling Lego



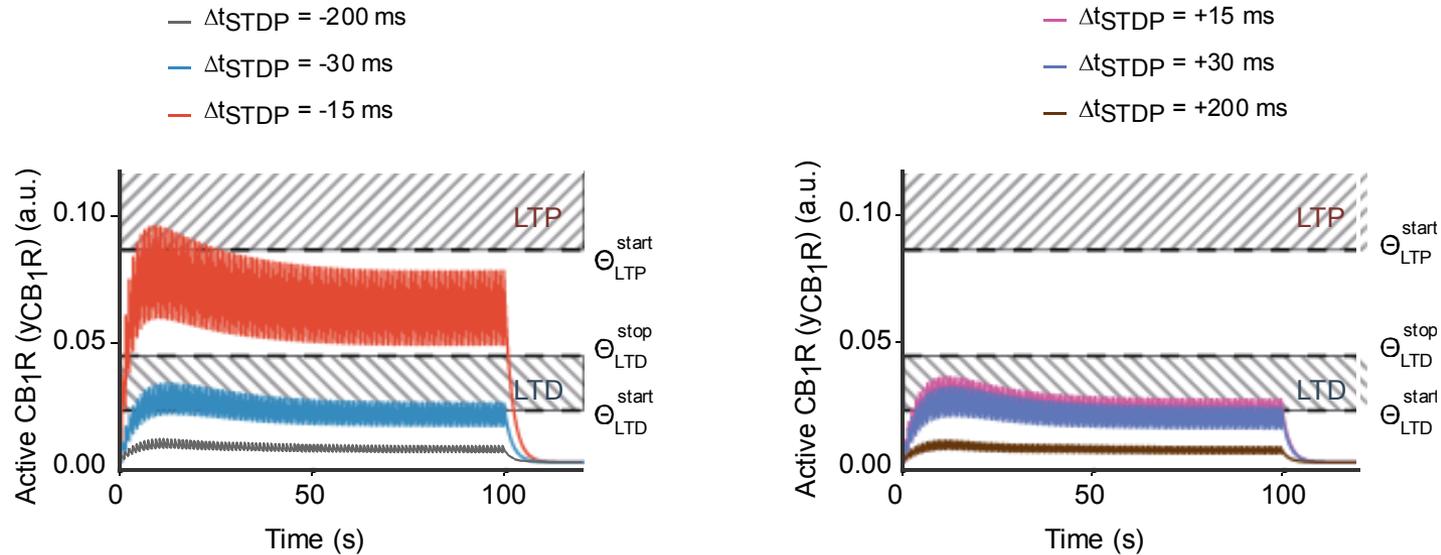
ex.:

$$\frac{dDAG}{dt} = P_{PLC\delta}(Ca) + P_{PLC\beta}(Glu) - r_{DAGL}DAGL^* \frac{DAG}{K_{DAGL} + DAG} - r_{DAGK}DAG$$

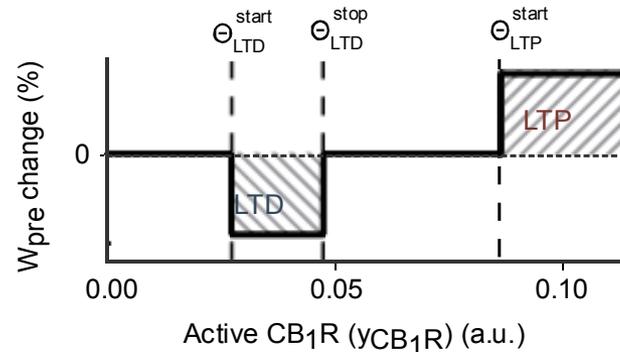
$$\frac{d2AG}{dt} = r_{DAGL}DAGL^* \frac{DAG}{K_{DAGL} + DAG} - r_{MAGL}2AG$$



Model suggestion for activated CB1R dynamics

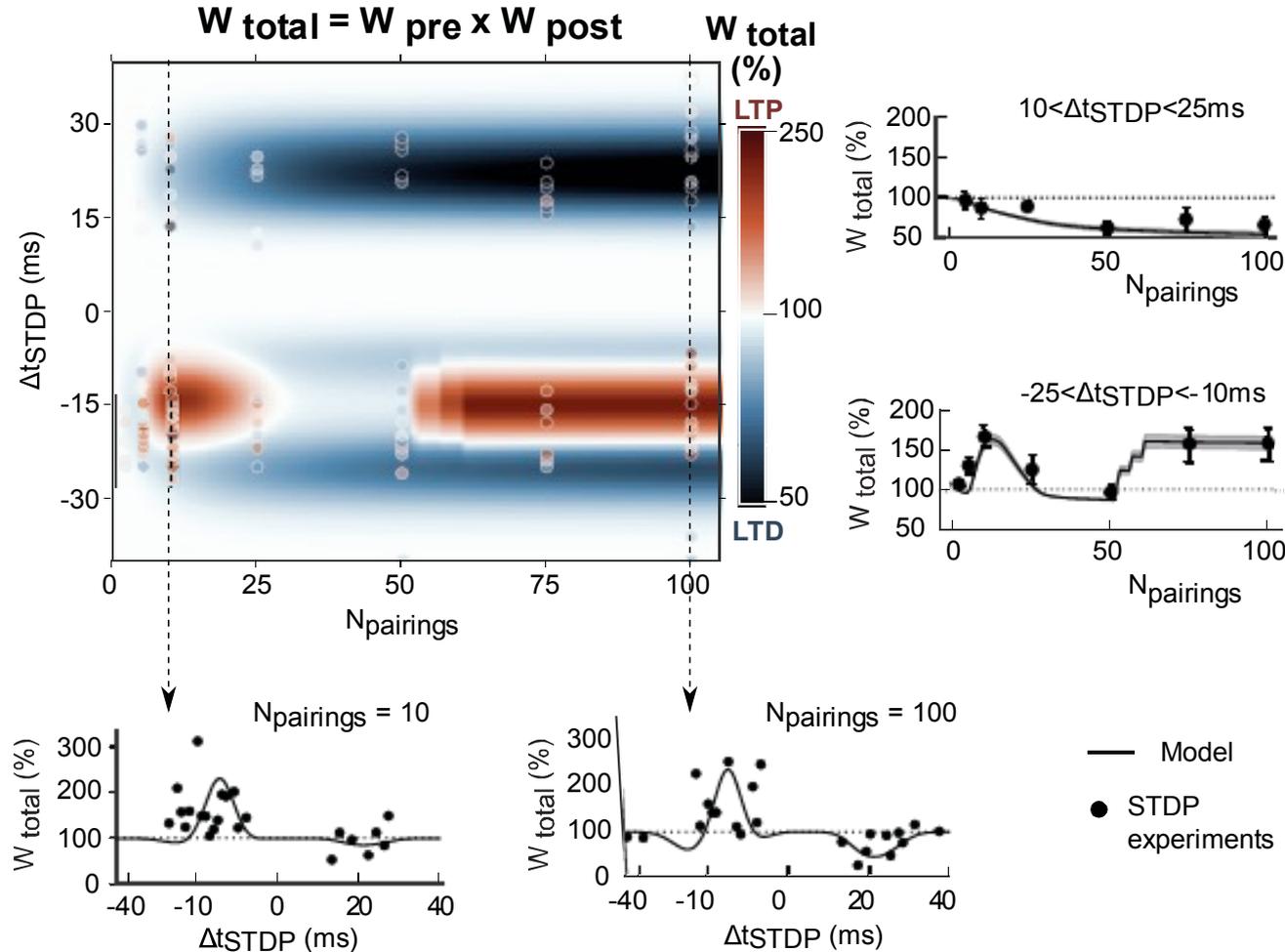


→ suggests a control of W_{pre} by which very large CB1R activation leads to eCB-LTP





This prediction emulated experimental data

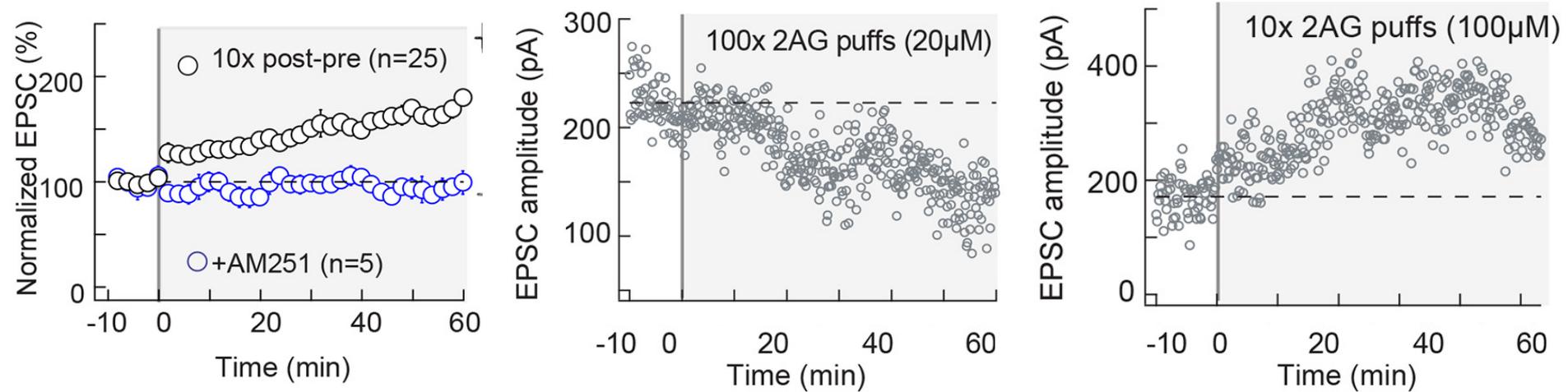


Cui et al. eLife 2016



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Cui et al, Sci Rep 2018

And turned out to be true...

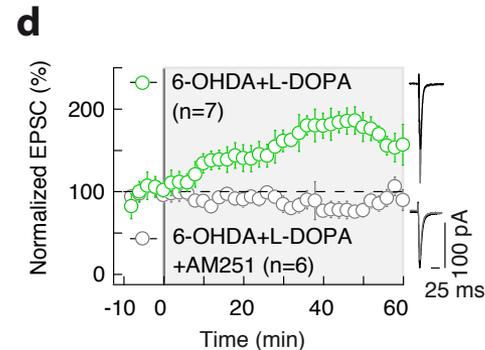
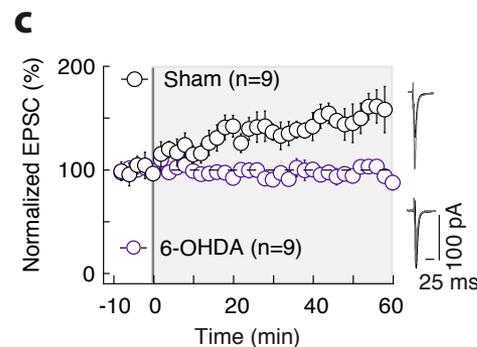
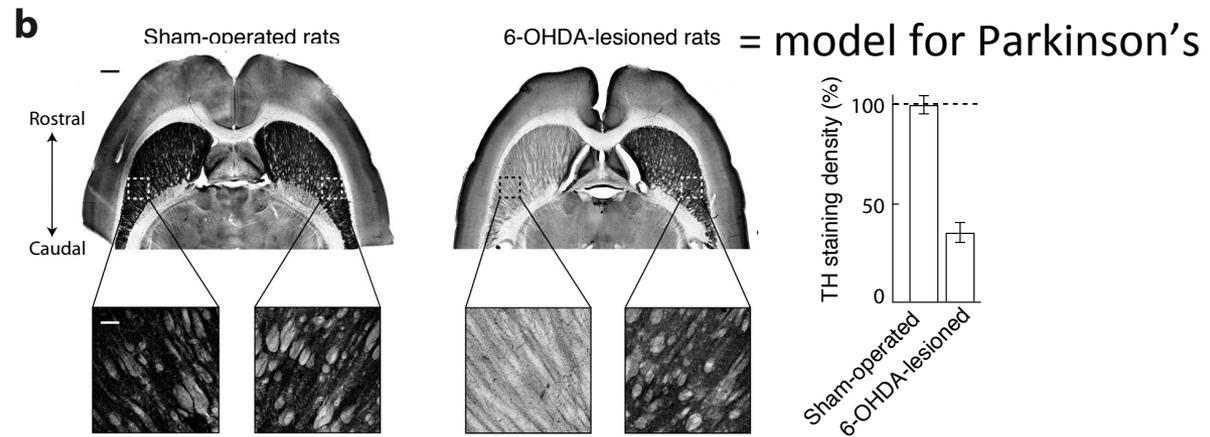


... the LTP with 10 stimulations is eCB-dependent



How can CB1R implement both LTP and LTD?

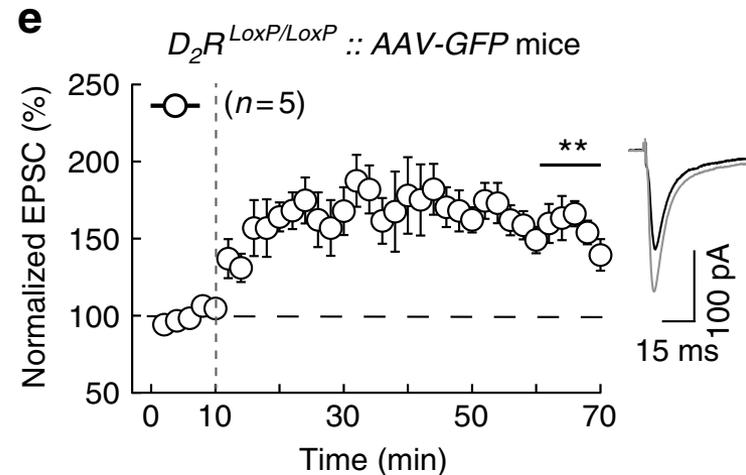
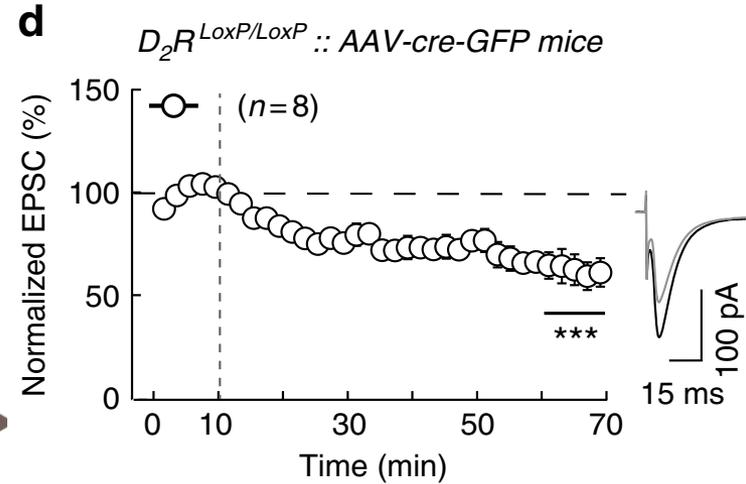
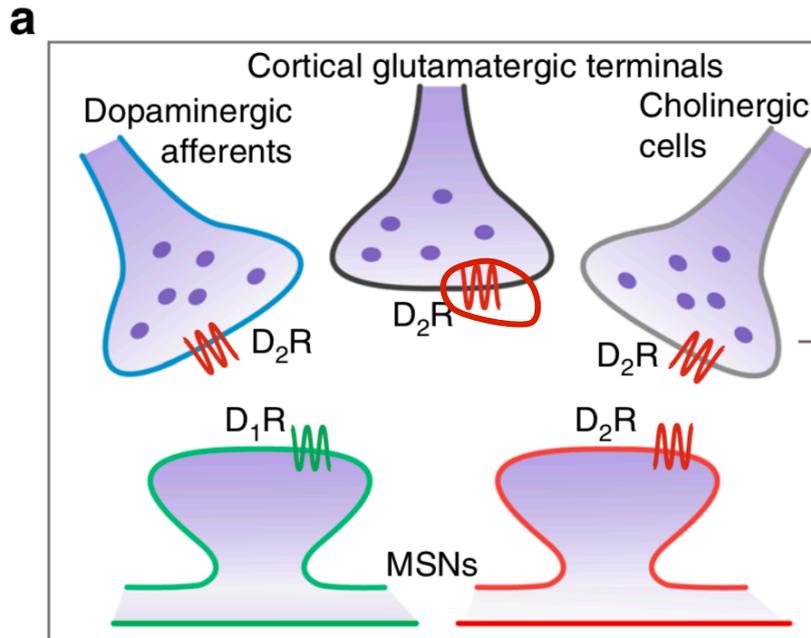
Ask Dopamine!



Hao et al, Nature Comm 2018



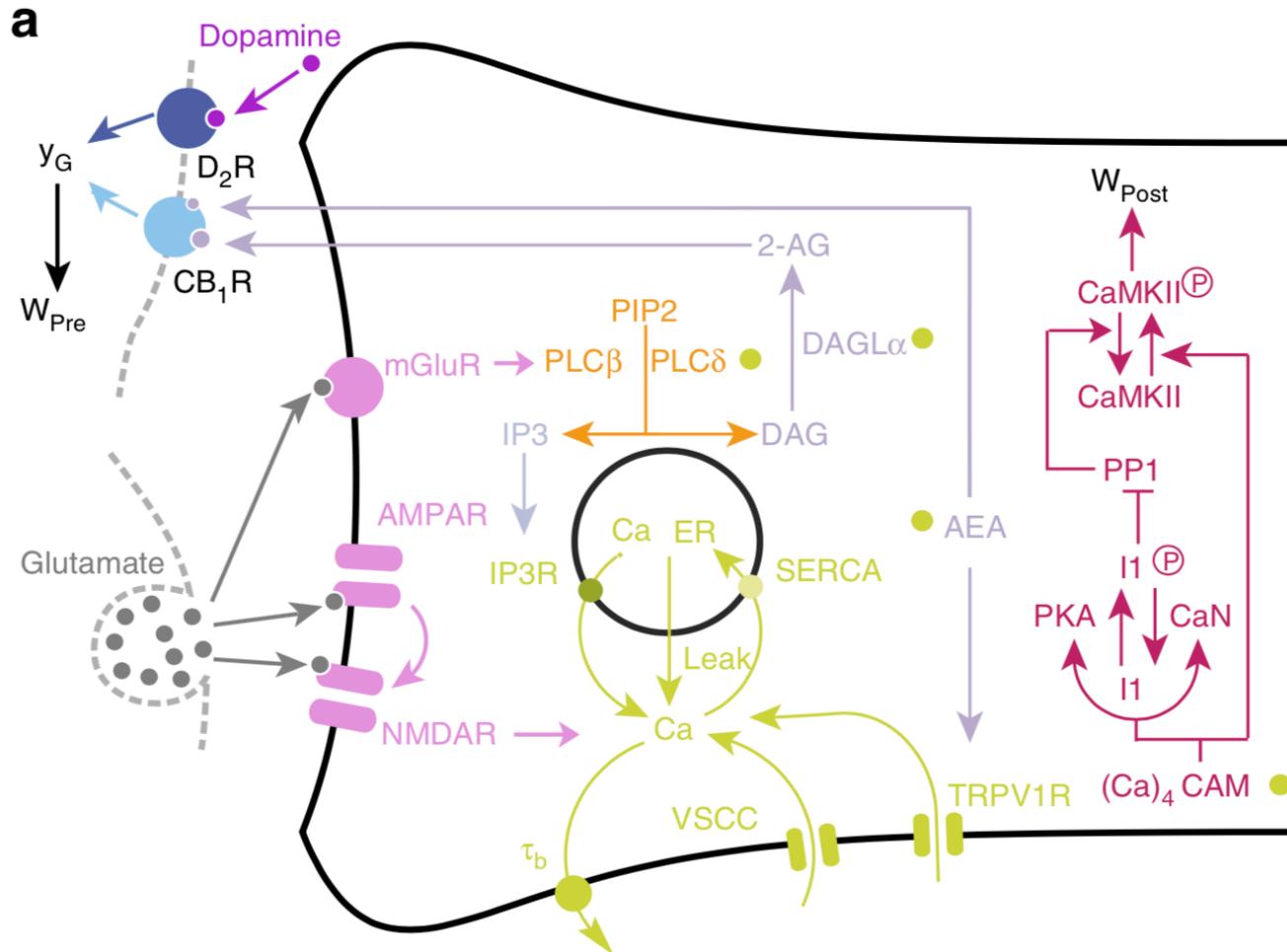
eCB-LTP is controlled by presynaptic D2R



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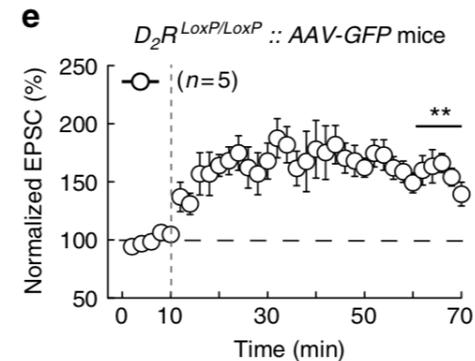
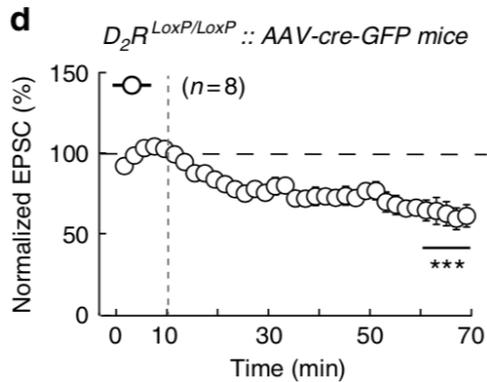
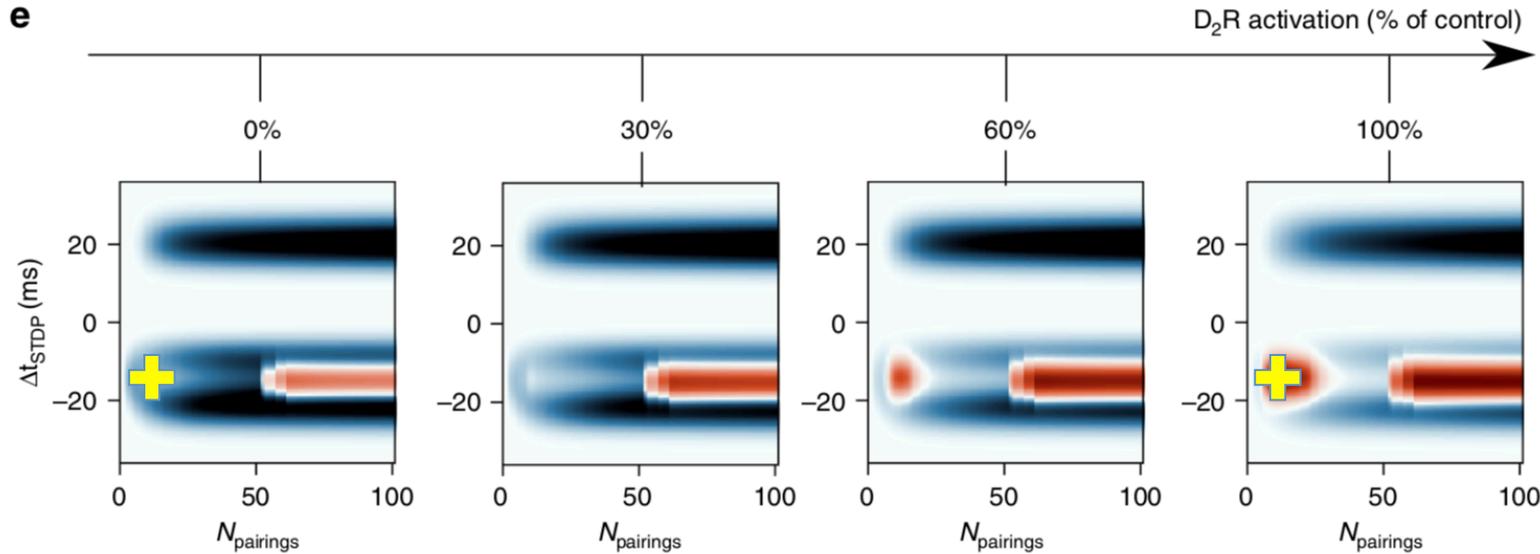


A simple hypothesis: CB1R & D2R are additive





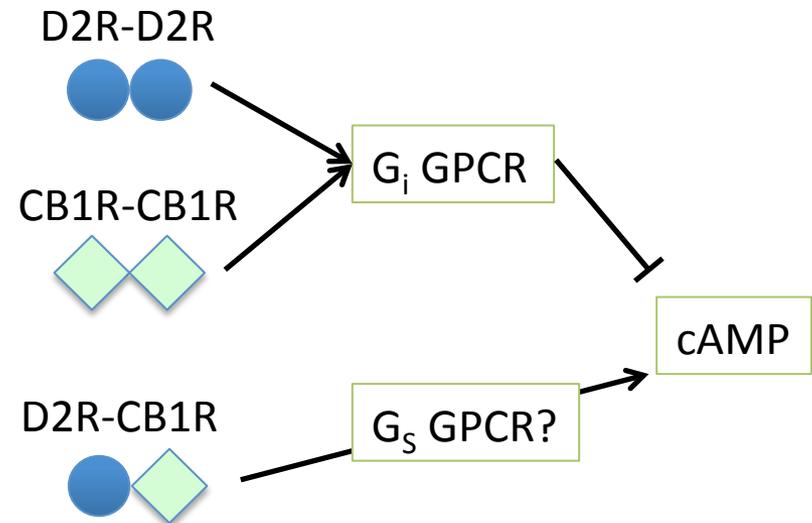
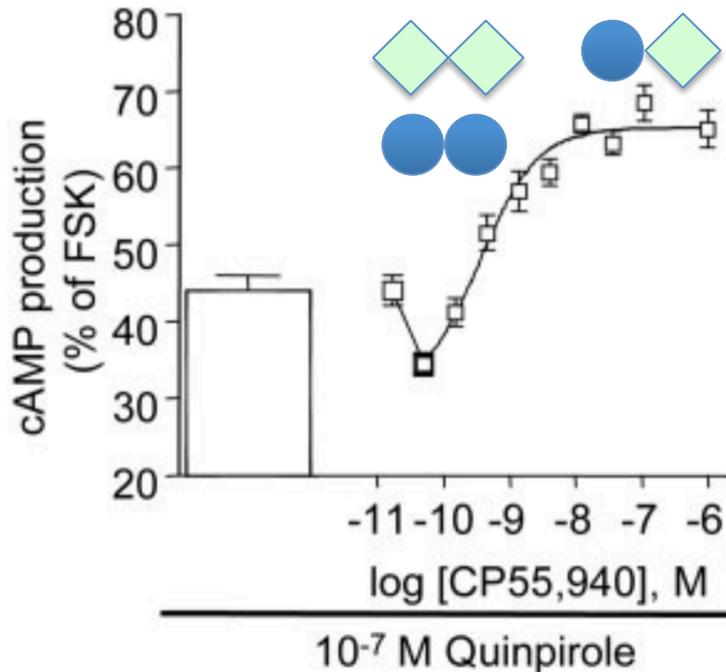
Simple but enough to reproduce the data





Additive effects suggest co-localization of CB1R & D2R

hetero-dimers CB1R-D2R may exist and be gated by the ligand but only observed in expression systems or cell culture



Kearn et al, Mol Pharmacol 2005



Conclusion and perspectives

- a new form of LTP, eCB-LTP, expressed at low stimulation
- this eCB-LTP is :
 - modulated by Dopamine through presynaptic D2R
 - suppressed in animal models of Parkinson's and restored by L-DOPA treatment
- ongoing works:
 - check ligand-controlled hetero-dimerization and reversal of cAMP production in slices (w/ biosensors)
 - causality of eCB-LTP in rat models of Parkinson's (w/ behavior)



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