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- 28 Summary

29 Fine control of protein stoichiometry at synapses underlies brain function and plasticity. How 30 proteostasis is controlled independently for each type of synaptic protein in a synapse-specific 31 and activity-dependent manner remains unclear. Here we show that Susd4, a gene coding for a 32 complement-related transmembrane protein, is expressed by many neuronal populations starting 33 at the time of synapse formation. Constitutive loss-of-function of Susd4 in the mouse impairs 34 motor coordination adaptation and learning, prevents long-term depression at cerebellar 35 synapses, and leads to misregulation of activity-dependent AMPA receptor subunit GluA2 36 degradation. We identified several proteins with known roles in the regulation of AMPA receptor 37 turnover, in particular ubiquitin ligases of the NEDD4 subfamily, as SUSD4 binding partners. 38 Our findings shed light on the potential role of SUSD4 mutations in neurodevelopmental 39 diseases.

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42 Introduction

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44 Proteostasis is at the core of many cellular processes and its dynamics needs to be finely 45 regulated for each protein in each organelle. In neurons, additional challenges are imposed by 46 their spatial complexity. In particular, during long-term synaptic plasticity, the proposed 47 substrate for learning and memory (Collingridge et al., 2010; Nicoll, 2017), the number of 48 neurotransmitter receptors needs to be regulated independently in a synapse-specific and 49 activity-dependent manner. At excitatory synapses, the modification of AMPA receptor numbers is a highly dynamic process, involving regulation of receptor diffusion (Choquet and Triller, 50 51 2013; Penn et al., 2017), their insertion in the plasma membrane, anchoring at the postsynaptic 52 density and endocytosis (Anggono and Huganir, 2012). After activity-dependent endocytosis, 53 AMPA receptors are either recycled to the plasma membrane or targeted to the endolysosomal 54 compartment for degradation (Ehlers, 2000; Lee et al., 2004; Park et al., 2004). The decision 55 between these two fates, recycling or degradation, regulates the direction of synaptic plasticity. 56 Recycling promotes long-term potentiation (LTP) and relies on many molecules, such as 57 GRASP1, GRIP1, PICK1 and NSF (Anggono and Huganir, 2012). Targeting to the 58 endolysosomal compartment and degradation promote long-term depression (LTD; Fernandez-59 Monreal et al., 2012; Kim et al., 2017; Matsuda et al., 2013), but the regulation of the targeting 60 and degradation process remains poorly understood.

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62 The Complement Control Protein domain (CCP), an evolutionarily conserved module also 63 known as Sushi domain, was first characterized in proteins with role in immunity, in particular in 64 the complement system. In the past few years, proteins with CCP domains have been increasingly recognized for their role at neuronal synapses. Acetylcholine receptor clustering is 65 regulated by CCP domain-containing proteins in *Caenorhabditis elegans* (Gendrel et al., 2009) 66 67 and in Drosophila melanogaster (Nakayama et al., 2016). In humans, mutations in the CCP 68 domain-containing secreted protein SRPX2 are associated with epilepsy and speech dysfunction, 69 and SRPX2 knockdown leads to decreased synapse number and vocalization in mice (Sia et al., 70 2013). Recently SRPX2 has been involved in the regulation of synapse elimination in the visual 71 and somatosensory systems (Cong et al., 2020). Despite the increase in the diversity of CCP 72 domain-containing proteins in evolution (11 CCP domain-containing in C. elegans and 56 in 73 humans; smart.embl.de), the function of many CCP domain-containing proteins remains 74 unknown.

75 The mammalian SUSD4 gene codes for a transmembrane protein with four extracellular CCP 76 domains (Figure 1A) and is highly expressed in the central nervous system (Holmquist et al., 77 2013). The SUSD4 gene is located in a genomic region deleted in patients with the 1q41q42 78 syndrome that includes developmental delays and intellectual deficiency (ID; Rosenfeld et al., 79 2011). SUSD4 is also amongst the 124 genes enriched in *de novo* missense mutations in a large 80 cohort of individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASDs) or IDs (Coe et al., 2019). A copy 81 number variation and several de novo mutations with a high CADD score, which indicates the 82 deleteriousness of the mutations, have been described in the SUSD4 gene in patients with ASDs 83 ((Cuscó et al., 2009); denovo-db, Seattle, WA (denovo-db,gs,washington.edu) 10, 2019). The SUSD4 protein has been described to regulate complement system activation in erythrocytes by 84

binding the C1Q globular domain (Holmquist et al., 2013). Interestingly, this domain is found in
major synaptic regulators such as C1QA (Stevens et al., 2007), CBLNs (Matsuda et al., 2010;
Uemura et al., 2010) and C1Q-like proteins (Bolliger et al., 2011; Kakegawa et al., 2015;
Sigoillot et al., 2015). Altogether these studies point to a potential role of SUSD4 in synapse
formation and/or function and in the etiology of neurodevelopmental disorders.

Proper development and function of the cerebellar circuitry is central for motor coordination and 90 91 adaptation, and a range of cognitive tasks (Badura et al., 2018; Hirai et al., 2005; Ichise et al., 92 2000; Lefort et al., 2019; Rochefort et al., 2011; Tsai et al., 2012). Cerebellar dysfunction is 93 associated with several neurodevelopmental disorders including ASDs (Stoodley, 2016; Stoodley 94 et al., 2018; Wang et al., 2014). In this circuit, cerebellar Purkinje cells (PCs) receive more than 95 a hundred thousand parallel fiber (PF) synapses whose formation, maintenance and plasticity are 96 essential for cerebellar-dependent learning (Gutierrez-Castellanos et al., 2017; Hirai et al., 2005; Ito, 2006; Kashiwabuchi et al., 1995). Postsynaptic LTD was first described at synapses between 97 98 PFs and cerebellar PCs (Gao et al., 2012; Hirano, 2018; Ito, 2001; Ito and Kano, 1982), where it 99 can be induced by conjunctive stimulation of PFs with the other excitatory input received by 100 PCs, the climbing fiber (CF; Coesmans et al., 2004; Ito, 2001; Suvrathan et al., 2016). The 101 function of members of the C1Q family, such as CBLN1 and C1QL1, is essential for excitatory 102 synapse formation and LTD in cerebellar PCs (Hirai et al., 2005; Kakegawa et al., 2015; Matsuda et al., 2010; Sigoillot et al., 2015; Uemura et al., 2010), suggesting that proteins such as 103 104 SUSD4, that interact with the C1O globular domain, could regulate these processes.

105 Gene expression studies from our laboratory revealed that Susd4 is highly expressed in the 106 olivocerebellar system of the mouse. In order to uncover the potential link between SUSD4 and 107 neurodevelopmental disorders, we sought to identify the role of SUSD4 in brain development 108 and function, by analyzing the phenotype of a Susd4 constitutive loss-of-function mouse model. 109 Here we show that knockout of the Susd4 gene leads to deficits in motor coordination adaptation 110 and learning, misregulation of synaptic plasticity in cerebellar PCs, as well as an impairment in 111 the degradation of GluA2 AMPA receptor subunits after chemical induction of LTD. Proteomic analysis of SUSD4 binding complexes affinity-purified from synaptosome preparations 112 identified proteins that are involved in the regulation of several parameters controlling AMPA 113 receptor turnover. We showed that SUSD4 directly interacts with E3 ubiquitin ligases of the 114 NEDD4 family, which are known to regulate ubiquitination and degradation of their substrates. 115 116 Our results also show that SUSD4 and GluA2 can interact in transfected HEK293 cells and 117 partially colocalize in cultured Purkinje cells. Altogether, these findings suggest a function of SUSD4 in the regulation of GluA2 trafficking and degradation allowing proper synaptic 118 119 plasticity and learning.

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121 **Results**

122 Susd4 is broadly expressed in neurons during postnatal development

123 Given the potential synaptic role for SUSD4, its pattern of expression should correlate with the 124 timing of synapse formation and/or maturation during postnatal development. *In situ*

hybridization experiments using mouse brain sections showed high expression of *Susd4* mRNA

in neurons in many regions of the central nervous system, including the cerebral cortex, the

127 hippocampus, the cerebellum and the brainstem (Figure 1B and Figure 1-figure supplement 1).

128 Susd4 expression was already detected as early as postnatal day 0 (P0) in some regions, but

129 increased with brain maturation (Figure 1-figure supplement 1). In the cerebellum, a structure 130 where the developmental sequence leading to circuit formation and maturation is well described 131 (Sotelo, 2004), quantitative RT-PCR showed that Susd4 mRNA levels start increasing at P7 and 132 by P21 reach about 15 times the levels detected at birth (Figure 1B). At P7, a major increase in 133 synaptogenesis is observed in the cerebellum. At this stage, hundreds of thousands of PF 134 excitatory synapses form on the distal dendritic spines of each PC, and a single CF arising from 135 an inferior olivary neuron translocates and forms about 300 excitatory synapses on proximal PC 136 dendrites (Leto et al., 2016). In the brainstem, where cell bodies of inferior olivary neurons are 137 located, the increase in Susd4 mRNA expression occurs earlier, already by P3, and reaches a 138 peak by P14 (Figure 1B). Similarly to the cerebellum, this pattern of Susd4 expression parallels 139 the rate of synaptogenesis that increases during the first postnatal week in the inferior olive 140 (Gotow and Sotelo, 1987). To identify the subcellular localization of the SUSD4 protein and 141 because of the lack of suitable antibodies for immunolabeling, viral particles enabling CRE-142 dependent coexpression of HA-tagged SUSD4 and GFP in neurons were injected in the 143 cerebellum of adult mice expressing the CRE recombinase specifically in cerebellar PCs. 144 Immunofluorescent labeling against the HA tag demonstrated the localization of HA-SUSD4 in 145 dendrites and in some of the numerous dendritic spines present on the surface of distal dendrites (Figure 1C). These spines are the postsynaptic compartments of PF synapses in PCs. 146 147 Immunofluorescence analysis of transduced cultured PCs showed that HA-tagged SUSD4 could 148 be immunolabeled in non-permeabilizing conditions and located at the surface of dendrites and 149 spines (Figure 1D). Double labeling with the postsynaptic marker GluD2 (GRID2) further 150 showed partial colocalization at the surface of some, but not all, spines. Therefore, the timing of 151 Susd4 mRNA expression during postnatal development and the subcellular localization of the 152 SUSD4 protein in cerebellar PCs are in agreement with a potential role for SUSD4 in excitatory 153 synapse formation and/or function.

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155 Susd4 loss-of-function leads to deficits in motor coordination and learning

156 To determine the synaptic function of SUSD4, we analyzed the phenotype of Susd4^{-/-} constitutive knockout (KO) mice with a deletion of exon 1 (Figure 1E, 1G and Figure 1-figure 157 158 supplement 2). RT-PCR using primers encompassing the last exons and the 3'UTR show the 159 complete absence of Susd4 mRNA in the brain of these Susd4 KO mice (Figure 1-figure 160 supplement 2). No obvious alterations of mouse development and behavior were detected in 161 those mutants, an observation that was confirmed by assessment of their physical characteristics 162 (weight, piloerection), basic behavioral abilities such as sensorimotor reflexes (whisker 163 responses, eye blinking) and motor responses (open field locomotion; cf. Table S1). We further 164 assessed the behavior of Susd4 KO mice for motor coordination and motor learning (Kayakabe et 165 al., 2014; Lalonde and Strazielle, 2001; Rondi-Reig et al., 1997). Using a footprint test, a slightly 166 larger print separation of the front and hind paws in the Susd4 KO mice was detected but no 167 differences in the stride length and stance width were found (Figure 1-figure supplement 3). In 168 the accelerated rotarod assay, a classical test of motor adaptation and learning (Buitrago et al., 2004), the mice were tested three times per day at one hour interval during five consecutive days. The *Susd4* KO mice performed as well as the *Susd4*^{+/+} (WT) littermate controls on the first trial 169 170 (Figure 1F, day 1, trial 1). This indicates that there is no deficit in their balance function, 171 172 despite the slight change in fine motor coordination found in the footprint test. However, while the control mice improved their performance as early as the third trial on the first day, and 173

- 174 further improved with several days of training, no learning could be observed for the Susd4 KO
- 175 mice either during the first day, or in the following days (Figure 1F). These results show that
- 176 Susd4 loss-of-function leads to impaired motor coordination and learning in adult mice.
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178 Susd4 loss-of-function prevents long-term depression (LTD) at cerebellar parallel 179 fiber/Purkinje cell synapses

180 Because of the high expression of Susd4 in cerebellar Purkinje cells (Figure 1G and Figure 1-181 **figure supplement 1**), we focused on this neuronal type to identify the morphological and functional consequences of Susd4 loss-of-function. No deficits in the global cytoarchitecture of 182 183 the cerebellum and morphology of PCs were found in Susd4 KO mice (Figure 1-figure 184 supplement 4). Using high density microelectrode array, we assessed the spontaneous activity of 185 PCs in acute cerebellar slices from Susd4 KO mice, and compared to Susd4 WT mice (Figure 1-186 figure supplement 5). No differences were detected in either the mean spiking frequency, the 187 coefficient of variation of interspike intervals (CV) and the intrinsic variability of spike trains (CV2, Holt and Douglas, 1996) indicating that the firing properties of PCs are not affected by 188 189 Susd4 loss-of-function.

190 Co-immunolabeling of PF presynaptic boutons using an anti-VGLUT1 antibody and PCs using 191 an anti-calbindin antibody in cerebellar sections from juvenile WT mice revealed an extremely 192 dense staining in the molecular layer corresponding to the highly numerous PFs contacting PC 193 distal dendritic spines (Figure 2A). The labeling pattern appeared to be similar in Susd4 KO. 194 High-resolution microscopy and quantitative analysis confirmed that there are no significant 195 changes in the mean density and volume of VGLUT1 clusters following Susd4 loss-of-function 196 (Figure 2A). Electric stimulation of increasing intensity in the molecular layer allows the 197 progressive recruitment of PFs (Konnerth et al., 1990), and can be used to assess the number of synapses and basic PF/PC transmission using whole-cell patch-clamp recordings of PCs on acute 198 199 cerebellar slices (Figure 2B). No difference was observed in the amplitude and the kinetics of 200 the responses to PF stimulation in PCs from Susd4 KO and control littermate mice (Figure 2C and Figure 2-figure supplement 1). Furthermore, the probability of vesicular release in the 201 202 presynaptic PF boutons, as assessed by measurements of paired pulse facilitation (Atluri and 203 Regehr, 1996; Konnerth et al., 1990; Valera et al., 2012), was not changed at PF/PC synapses 204 (Figure 2C). Finally, no differences in the frequency and amplitude of PF/PC evoked quantal events were detected (Figure 2-figure supplement 1). Thus, in accordance with the 205 206 morphological analysis, Susd4 invalidation has no major effect on the number and basal 207 transmission of PF/PC synapses in the mouse.

208 Long-term synaptic plasticity of PF/PC synapses is involved in proper motor coordination and 209 adaptation learning (Gutierrez-Castellanos et al., 2017; Hirano, 2018; Kakegawa et al., 2018). 210 We first assessed LTD in PF/PC synapses using conjunctive stimulation of PFs and CFs and 211 whole-cell patch-clamp recordings of PCs in acute cerebellar slices from juvenile mice. The LTD 212 induction protocol produced a 42% average decrease in the amplitude of PF excitatory postsynaptic currents (EPSCs) in PCs from WT mice while the paired pulse facilitation ratio was 213 214 not changed during the course of our recordings (Figure 2D and Figure 2-figure supplement 1). In Susd4 KO PCs, the same LTD induction protocol did not induce any significant change in 215 PF EPSCs during the 30 minutes recording period, showing that LTD induction and maintenance 216 are greatly impaired in the absence of SUSD4 (Figure 2D). We then assessed LTP induction 217

using high frequency stimulation of PF in the absence of inhibition blockade as in Binda et al. 218 219 (2016). In slices from Susd4 WT mice, tetanic stimulation every 3 seconds during 5 minutes 220 induced only a transient increase in transmission of about 20% and the amplitude of the response 221 returned to baseline after only 15 minutes (Figure 2E and Figure 2-figure supplement 1). This 222 result suggests that under our experimental conditions and in this particular genetic background. 223 LTD might be favored in contrast to previously obtained results (Binda et al., 2016; Titley et al., 224 2019). In the case of Susd4 KO PCs, the same protocol induced LTP with a 27% increase in 225 transmission that was maintained after 35 minutes (Figure 2E). These results indicate that the 226 absence of Susd4 expression promoted LTP induction at PF/PC synapses.

227 Lack of LTD of PF/PC synapses could arise from deficient CF/PC transmission. To test this 228 possibility, we first crossed the Susd4 KO mice with the Htr5b-GFP BAC transgenic line 229 (http://gensat.org/MMRRC report.jsp?founder id=17735) expressing soluble GFP specifically 230 in inferior olivary neurons in the olivocerebellar system to visualize CFs. We found that CFs had 231 a normal morphology and translocated along the proximal dendrites of their PC target in Susd4 232 KO mice (Figure 3-figure supplement 1). We then assessed whether developmental elimination 233 of supernumerary CFs was affected by Susd4 invalidation using whole-cell patch-clamp 234 recordings of PCs on cerebellar acute slices (Crepel et al., 1976; Hashimoto and Kano, 2003). No 235 difference was found in the percentage of remaining multiply-innervated PCs in the absence of 236 Susd4 (Figure 3-figure supplement 1). We next used VGLUT2 immunostaining to label CF 237 presynaptic boutons and analyze their morphology using high resolution confocal microscopy 238 and quantitative image analysis. VGLUT2 immunostaining revealed the typical CF innervation 239 territory on PC proximal dendrites, extending up to about 80% of the molecular layer height both 240 in control Susd4 WT and in Susd4 KO mice (Figure 3A). Furthermore, the number and density 241 of VGLUT2 clusters were not significantly different between Susd4 WT and Susd4 KO mice. To 242 test whether the lack of CF-dependent PF LTD was due to deficient CF transmission, we used 243 whole-cell patch-clamp recordings of PCs in acute cerebellar slices. Contrary to what could have 244 been expected, the typical all-or-none CF evoked EPSC was detected in PCs from Susd4 KO 245 mice with increased amplitude when compared to WT PCs (Figure 3B) while no differences in 246 CF-EPSC kinetics were found (Figure 3-figure supplement 1). Analysis of the complex spikes 247 in current-clamp mode during LTD induction did not reveal any change in the complex spike 248 waveform, with the same mean number of spikelets in response to the repeated CF stimulation in 249 Susd4 WT and Susd4 KO mice (Figure 3-figure supplement 1). Therefore, the lack of CF-250 dependent PF/PC synapse LTD in Susd4 KO mice is not due to impaired CF/PC synapse 251 formation or transmission. Measurements of evoked quantal events revealed an increase in the 252 amplitude of the quantal EPSCs at CF/PC synapses from juvenile mice (Figures 3C and Figure 253 **3-figure supplement 1**). Paired-pulse facilitation and depression at PF/PC and CF/PC synapses, 254 respectively, are similar between Susd4 KO and control mice, both in basal conditions and during plasticity recordings (Figure 2C, Figure 3B, Figure 2-figure supplement 1) suggesting 255 strongly that the changes in PF/PC synaptic plasticity and in CF/PC transmission in Susd4 KO 256 257 PCs have a postsynaptic origin. Overall our results show that Susd4 loss-of-function in mice 258 leads to a highly specific phenotype characterized by misregulation of postsynaptic plasticity in 259 the absence of defects in synaptogenesis and in basal transmission in cerebellar PCs.

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261 Susd4 loss-of-function leads to deficient activity-dependent degradation of GluA2

262 What are the mechanisms that allow regulation of long-term synaptic plasticity by SUSD4? The 263 lack of LTD at PF/PC synapses and our analysis of evoked quantal events suggested the 264 involvement of SUSD4 in the regulation of postsynaptic receptor numbers. GluA2 subunits are 265 present in most AMPA receptor channels in PC excitatory synapses (Masugi-Tokita et al., 2007; 266 Zhao et al., 1998). To assess whether Susd4 loss-of-function leads to misregulation of the GluA2 267 subunits at PC excitatory synapses, we first performed co-immunolabeling experiments using an 268 anti-GluA2 antibody and an anti-VGLUT2 antibody on cerebellar sections followed by high-269 resolution microscopy. Several GluA2 clusters of varying sizes were detected in close 270 association with each VGLUT2 presynaptic cluster corresponding to a single CF release site, 271 while very small and dense GluA2 clusters were found in the rest of the molecular layer which 272 mostly correspond to GluA2 clusters at the PF/PC synapses (Figure 4A). No obvious change in 273 GluA2 distribution in the molecular layer in Susd4 KO mice was found when compared to 274 controls, in accordance with normal basal transmission in PF/PC synapses (Figure 2C). 275 Quantitative analysis of the GluA2 clusters associated with VGLUT2 labelled CF presynaptic 276 boutons did not reveal a significant change in the total mean intensity of GluA2 clusters per CF 277 presynaptic bouton (Figure 4A). However, the proportion of CF presynaptic boutons with no 278 GluA2 cluster was smaller in juvenile Susd4 KO mice than in WT mice (Figure 4A). This 279 decrease partially explains the increase in the amplitude of quantal EPSCs and CF transmission 280 (Figure 3C).

281 In cerebellar PCs, regulation of the GluA2 subunits at synapses and of their trafficking is 282 essential for PF LTD (Chung et al., 2003; Xia et al., 2000). To test whether activity-dependent 283 surface localization of GluA2-containing AMPA receptors is affected by loss of Susd4, we set up 284 a biochemical assay in which we induced chemical LTD (cLTD) in acute cerebellar slices (Kim 285 et al., 2017) and performed surface biotinylation of GluA2 subunits followed by immunoblot 286 quantification. In control conditions, the mean baseline levels of surface GluA2 were not 287 significantly different between Susd4 WT and Susd4 KO mice (Figure 4-figure supplement 1). As expected, after cLTD a 35% mean reduction of surface GluA2 receptors was measured in 288 289 slices from WT mice (Figure 4B; p=0.0212, two-tailed Student t test with a null hypothesis of 290 1). In acute slices from Susd4 KO mice, a similar, but not statistically significant, mean reduction 291 of surface GluA2 receptors was detected after cLTD (28%; p=0.0538, two-tailed Student t test 292 with a null hypothesis of 1). Thus SUSD4 loss-of-function does not lead on average to a major 293 change in the activity-dependent regulation of the number of surface GluA2 subunits.

294 Another parameter that needs to be controlled for proper LTD in PCs is the total number of 295 AMPA receptors in the recycling pool and the targeting of AMPA receptors to late endosomes 296 and lysosomes (Kim et al., 2017). Lack of LTD and facilitation of LTP in Susd4 KO mice 297 (Figures 2D and 2E) suggest that GluA2 activity-dependent targeting to the endolysosomal 298 compartment and its degradation is affected by Susd4 loss-of-function. Using our cLTD assay in 299 cerebellar slices, we measured the total GluA2 levels either in control conditions or in presence 300 of inhibitors of the proteasome (MG132) and of lysosomal degradation (leupeptin). The 301 comparison of the GluA2 levels in the presence of both inhibitors and in control conditions 302 allowed us to estimate the GluA2 degraded pool, regardless of the mechanism behind this 303 degradation. On average, total GluA2 levels were not significantly different between Susd4 WT 304 and Susd4 KO cerebellar slices in basal conditions (Figure 4-figure supplement 1), in 305 accordance with our morphological and electrophysiological analysis of PF/PC synapses 306 (Figures 2A and 2C). In slices from WT mice, chemical induction of LTD induced a significant 307 reduction of 13% in total GluA2 protein levels (Figure 4C). This reduction was prevented by

incubation with the mixture of degradation inhibitors, MG132 and leupeptin, showing that it corresponds to the pool of GluA2 degraded in an activity-dependent manner (**Figure 4C**). In slices from *Susd4* KO mice, this activity-dependent degradation of GluA2 was completely absent. Additionally, the chemical induction of LTD had no effect on the total protein levels of GluD2, another synaptic receptor highly present at PF/PC postsynaptic densities, either in slices

313 from WT or from Susd4 KO mice (Figure 4-figure supplement 1). Thus, SUSD4 specifically

314 controls the activity-dependent degradation of GluA2-containing AMPA receptors during LTD.

315 Finally, co-immunoprecipitation experiments were performed using extracts from heterologous 316 HEK293 cells transfected with SEP-tagged GluA2 and HA-tagged SUSD4 or the transmembrane 317 protein PVRL3α as a control. After affinity-purification of SEP-GluA2, HA-SUSD4 was detected in affinity-purified extracts while PVRL3a was not, showing the specific interaction of 318 SEP-GluA2 and HA-SUSD4 in transfected HEK293 cells (Figure 4-figure supplement 2). In 319 order to assess the potential colocalization of SUSD4 and GluA2 in neurons, we used a Cre-320 321 dependent AAV construct to express HA-tagged SUSD4 in cultured PCs (Figure 4D) and 322 performed immunolabeling of surface GluA2 subunits. Clusters of HA-tagged SUSD4 partially 323 colocalize with GluA2 clusters at the surface of some dendritic spines (yellow arrowheads, 324 Figure 4D). Partial colocalization of GluA2 and SUSD4 in neurons was also confirmed in 325 transfection experiments in hippocampal neurons (Figure 4-figure supplement 2). Thus, 326 SUSD4 could regulate activity-dependent degradation of GluA2-containing AMPA receptors 327 through a direct interaction.

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329 SUSD4 interacts with NEDD4 ubiquitin ligases

330 To better understand how SUSD4 regulates the number of GluA2-containing AMPA receptors at synapses, we searched for SUSD4 molecular partners by affinity-purification of cerebellar 331 332 synaptosome extracts using GFP-tagged SUSD4 as a bait (Figure 5A). Interacting partners were 333 identified by proteomic analysis using liquid chromatography with tandem mass spectrometry 334 (LC-MS/MS; Savas et al., 2014). 28 candidates were identified including proteins with known function in the regulation of AMPA receptor turnover (Figure 5E). Several candidates were 335 336 functionally linked to ubiquitin ligase activity by gene ontology term analysis (Figure 5A and 337 Table 1). In particular, five members of the NEDD4 subfamily of HECT E3 ubiquitin ligases 338 were found as potential interacting partners, three of them (Nedd4l, Wwp1 and Itch) exhibiting 339 the highest enrichment factors amongst the 28 candidates. Ubiquitination is a post-translational 340 modification essential for the regulation of protein turnover and trafficking in cells (Tai and 341 Schuman, 2008). A survey of the expression of HECT-ubiquitin ligases shows that different 342 members of the NEDD4 subfamily are broadly expressed in the mouse brain, however with only 343 partially overlapping patterns (Figure 5-figure supplement 1, http://mouse.brain-map.org, Allen 344 Brain Atlas). Nedd4 and Wwp1 are the most broadly expressed, including in neurons that also 345 express Susd4, such as hippocampal neurons, inferior olivary neurons in the brainstem and 346 cerebellar PCs. Immunoblot analysis of affinity-purified synaptosome extracts confirmed the 347 interaction of SUSD4 with NEDD4, ITCH and WWP1 (Figure 5B). Removal of the intracellular domain of SUSD4 (SUSD4 ΔC_T mutant) prevented this interaction demonstrating the specificity 348 349 of SUSD4 binding to NEDD4 ubiquitin ligases (Figure 5B).

The NEDD4 subfamily of HECT ubiquitin ligases is known to ubiquitinate and target for degradation many key signaling molecules, including GluA1- and GluA2-containing AMPA 352 receptors (Schwarz et al., 2010; Widagdo et al., 2017). Ubiquitin ligases of the NEDD4 family 353 bind variants of PY motifs on target substrates and adaptors (Chen et al., 2017). However, 354 GluA1 and GluA2 subunits lack any obvious motif of this type. In contrast, two potential PY 355 binding sites are present in the intracellular domain of SUSD4 (Figure 5C). To test whether SUSD4 and GluA2 interaction is affected by SUSD4 binding to NEDD4 ubiquitin ligases, co-356 357 immunoprecipitation experiments were performed on extracts from heterologous HEK293 cells 358 transfected with SEP-tagged GluA2 and various HA-tagged SUSD4 constructs (Figure 5C and 359 **5D**). In addition to several deletion constructs of SUSD4, we generated single- and double-point 360 mutants of the two PY motifs in its intracellular tail (Figure 5C). Lack of the cytoplasmic 361 domain completely abrogated binding of NEDD4 to SUSD4, confirming the results obtained using synaptosome extracts (Figure 5D). Deletion of the N-terminus domain of SUSD4 did not 362 363 affect NEDD4 binding. Furthermore, while the mutation of the PPxY site in the intracellular tail (SUSD4- Δ PY mutant) abrogated binding of NEDD4 only partially, mutation of the LPxY site 364 (SUSD4- Δ LY mutant) or of both sites (SUSD4- Δ PY/LY mutant) completely prevented the 365 366 binding to NEDD4 ubiquitin ligases (Figures 5C and 5D). These mutations did not change significantly the level of HA-SUSD4 protein in transfected HEK293 cells suggesting that the 367 degradation of SUSD4 itself is not regulated by binding of NEDD4 ubiquitin ligases (Figure 5-368 369 figure supplement 2). In accordance with our results obtained using SEP-GluA2 as a bait 370 (Figure 4-figure supplement 2), GluA2 was detected in extracts obtained by affinity-371 purification of the HA-tagged full length SUSD4 (HA-SUSD4), while it was absent if HA-SUSD4 was replaced by a control transmembrane protein, PVRL3a (Figure 5D and Figure 5-372 373 **figure supplement 2**). Deletion of the extracellular domain (HA-SUSD4 ΔN_T) or the cytoplasmic 374 domain (HA-SUSD4 ΔC_T) did not reduce significantly the ability to interact with SEP-GluA2 375 when compared to HA-SUSD4 (Figure 5D and Figure 5-figure supplement 2). Strong co-376 immunoprecipitation of GluA2 was detected in anti-HA affinity-purified extracts from cells 377 expressing the HA-tagged extracellular domain of SUSD4 alone (HA-SUSD4-N_T construct), 378 showing that this domain is sufficient for GluA2 interaction (Figures 5D and Figure 5-figure 379 supplement 2). Finally using the SUSD4- Δ LY mutant or SUSD4- Δ PY/LY mutant as a bait did 380 not significantly modify the levels of co-immunoprecipitated GluA2 compared to HA-SUSD4, 381 showing that binding of NEDD4 ubiquitin ligases does not affect SUSD4's ability to interact 382 with GluA2.

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384 Discussion

385 Our study shows that the CCP domain-containing protein SUSD4 starts to be expressed in various neurons of the mammalian central nervous system when synapses are formed and 386 387 mature. Susd4 loss-of-function in mice leads to impaired motor coordination adaptation and 388 learning, misregulation of synaptic plasticity in cerebellar PCs and perturbed degradation of GluA2-containing AMPA receptors after chemically induced LTD. SUSD4 and the GluA2 389 390 AMPA receptor subunit interact in transfected heterologous cells, and colocalize partially in 391 transduced cultured neurons. Finally, we show that SUSD4 directly binds to ubiquitin ligases of 392 the NEDD4 family, which have been previously shown to regulate GluA2 degradation.

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394 SUSD4 promotes long-term synaptic depression

395 The choice between recycling of AMPA receptors to the membrane or targeting to the 396 endolysosomal compartment for degradation is key for the regulation of the number of AMPA 397 receptors at synapses, as well as for the direction and degree of activity-dependent synaptic 398 plasticity (Ehlers, 2000; Lee et al., 2002). Blocking trafficking of AMPA receptors through 399 recycling endosomes, for example using a RAB11 mutant, prevents long-term potentiation (LTP) 400 in neurons (Park et al., 2004). Conversely, blocking the sorting of AMPA receptors to the 401 endolysosomal compartment, for example using a RAB7 mutant, impairs long-term depression 402 (LTD) in hippocampal CA1 pyramidal neurons and cerebellar Purkinje cells (PCs) (Fernandez-403 Monreal et al., 2012; Kim et al., 2017). Further support for the role of receptor degradation 404 comes from mathematical modeling showing that in cerebellar PCs LTD depends on the 405 regulation of the total pool of glutamate receptors (Kim et al., 2017). The GluA2 AMPA receptor 406 subunit, and its regulation, is of particular importance for LTD (Diering and Huganir, 2018). 407 Phosphorylation in its C-terminal tail and the binding of molecular partners such as PICK1 and 408 GRIP1/2 is known to regulate endocytosis and recycling (Bassani et al., 2012; Chiu et al., 2017; 409 Fiuza et al., 2017), and mutations in some of the phosphorylation sites leads to impaired LTD 410 (Chung et al., 2003). The molecular partners regulating the targeting for degradation of GluA2 411 subunits in an activity-dependent manner during LTD remain to be identified. Our study shows 412 that loss-of-function of Susd4 leads both to loss of LTD and loss of activity-dependent 413 degradation of GluA2 subunits. Loss-of-function of Susd4 does not affect degradation of another postsynaptic receptor, GluD2, showing the specificity of SUSD4 action. Furthermore, loss-of-414 415 function of Susd4 facilitates LTP of PF/PC synapses. Overall our results suggest a role for 416 SUSD4 in the targeting of GluA2-containing AMPA receptors to the degradation compartment 417 during synaptic plasticity.

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419 SUSD4 interacts with regulators of AMPA receptor turnover

The degradation of specific targets such as neurotransmitter receptors must be regulated in a stimulus-dependent and synapse-specific manner in neurons, to ensure proper long-term synaptic plasticity, learning and memory (Tai and Schuman, 2008). How is this level of specificity achieved? Adaptor proteins, such as GRASP1, GRIP1, PICK1 and NSF, are known to promote AMPA receptor recycling and LTP (Anggono and Huganir, 2012). Such adaptors for the promotion of LTD remain to be found.

426 Our results show that SUSD4 directly binds to HECT E3 ubiquitin ligases of the NEDD4 family. 427 The family of HECT E3 ubiquitin ligases contains 28 enzymes including the NEDD4 subfamily 428 that is characterized by an N-terminal C2 domain, several WW domains and the catalytic HECT 429 domain (Weber et al., 2019). This subgroup of E3 ligases adds K63 ubiquitin chains to their 430 substrate, a modification that promotes sorting to the endolysosomal compartment for 431 degradation (Boase and Kumar, 2015). NEDD4 E3 ligases are highly expressed in neurons in the 432 mammalian brain and have many known substrates with various functions, including ion 433 channels and the GluA1 AMPA receptor subunit. Accordingly, knockout mice for the Nedd4-1 434 gene die during late gestation (Kawabe et al., 2010). The activity and substrate selectivity of 435 NEDD4 E3 ligases thus need to be finely tuned. Both GluA1 and GluA2 AMPA receptor 436 subunits are ubiquitinated on lysine residues in their intracellular tails in an activity-dependent 437 manner (Lin et al., 2011; Lussier et al., 2011; Schwarz et al., 2010; Widagdo et al., 2015). 438 Mutation of these lysine residues decreases localization of GluA1 and GluA2 AMPA receptor 439 subunits in the endolysosomal compartment in neurons (Widagdo et al., 2015). However, GluA1

440 and GluA2 subunits lack any obvious intracellular direct binding motif to the WW domain of 441 NEDD4 ubiquitin ligases, raising questions about the precise mechanism allowing regulation of 442 AMPA subunits trafficking and degradation by these enzymes. We showed that SUSD4 and 443 GluA2 AMPA receptor subunits interact in cells, and partially colocalize in neurons. SUSD4 444 could thus play a role in regulating targeting of NEDD4 ubiquitin ligases to AMPA receptors in 445 an activity-dependent manner in neurons. Alternatively, the interaction of SUSD4 with NEDD4 446 ubiquitin ligases might regulate the trafficking of the SUSD4/GluA2 complex to the degradation 447 pathway. Furthermore, among the potential partners of SUSD4 identified by our proteomics 448 analysis, several other candidates have functions that are relevant for the regulation of synaptic 449 plasticity, such as receptor anchoring, clathrin-mediated endocytosis and proteasome function 450 (Figure 5E). Further work is needed to determine the precise mechanism of action of SUSD4 in 451 neurons in the context of synaptic plasticity.

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453 SUSD4 and neurodevelopmental disorders

454 Susd4 loss-of-function leads to motor impairments, a symptom that is also found in ASD patients 455 (Fournier et al., 2010). Deficits in LTD such as the one found in the Susd4 KO mice are a 456 common feature of several mouse models of ASDs (Auerbach et al., 2011; Baudouin et al., 2012; Piochon et al., 2014). Because of the broad expression of SUSD4 and of ubiquitin ligases of the 457 458 NEDD4 subfamily in the mammalian central nervous system, whether motor impairments in the 459 Susd4 KO mice are directly the results of synaptic deficits in cerebellar Purkinje cells remain to 460 be demonstrated. Very recently, a reduction in exploratory behavior, in addition to impairments 461 of motor coordination, was reported after Susd4 loss-of-function (Zhu et al., 2020). Thus, 462 mutations in the Susd4 gene might contribute to the etiology of neurodevelopmental disorders by 463 impairing synaptic plasticity at many synapse types.

464 In humans, the 1q41-42 deletion syndrome is characterized by many symptoms including IDs 465 and seizures, and in a high majority of the cases the microdeletion encompasses the SUSD4 gene 466 (Rosenfeld et al., 2011). A SUSD4 copy number variation has been identified in a patient with 467 autism spectrum disorder (ASD; Cuscó et al., 2009). SUSD4 was recently identified amongst the 468 124 genes with genome wide significance for de novo mutations in a cohort of more than 10,000 469 patients with ASD or IDs (Coe et al., 2019). The GRIA2 gene (coding for the GluA2 subunit) has 470 been found as an ASD susceptibility gene (Salpietro et al., 2019; Satterstrom et al., 2018) and 471 mutations or misregulation of ubiquitin ligases have been found in many models of ASDs or 472 intellectual deficiencies (Cheon et al., 2018; Lee et al., 2018; Satterstrom et al., 2018). For 473 example, ubiquitination of GluA1 by NEDD4-2 is impaired in neurons from a model of Fragile 474 X syndrome (Lee et al., 2018). Understanding the molecular mechanism linking activity-475 dependent degradation of GluA2 and the SUSD4/NEDD4 complex will thus be of particular 476 importance for our understanding of the etiology of these neurodevelopmental disorders.

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478 Materials and Methods

479 Animals

480 <u>Susd4 knockout (KO) mice</u> were generated using 129S5/SvEvBrd ES microinjected in C57BL/6J 481 blastocysts and maintained on the C57BL/6J background (generated by Lexicon Genetics

482 Incorporated, The Woodlands, USA)(Tang et al., 2010). Out of the 8 *Susd4* exons, coding exon 1

(NCBI accession NM 144796.2) and the 5'UTR (NCBI accession BM944003) were targeted by 483 484 homologous recombination. This resulted in the deletion of a 1.3kb sequence spanning the 485 transcription initiation site and exon 1 (Figure 1E and Supplementary Figure 2A). Subsequent 486 genotyping of mice was performed using PCR to detect the wild-type (WT) allele (forward primer: 5' CTG TGG TTT CAA CTG GCG CTG TG 3'; reverse primer: 5' GCT GCC GGT 487 488 GGG TGT GCG AAC CTA 3') or the targeted allele (forward primer: 5' TTG GCG GTT TCG 489 CTA AAT AC 3'; reverse primer: 5' GGA GCT CGT TAT CGC TAT GAC 3'). Heterozygous Susd4^{+/-} mice were bred to obtain all the genotypes needed for the experiments (Susd4^{+/+} (WT)) 490 and Susd4^{-/-} (KO) mice) as littermates. 491 492 The Htr5b-GFP mouse line was used for labeling of climbing fibers (CF; The Gene Expression 493 Project, Contracts Nervous System Atlas (GENSAT) NINDS N01NS02331 &

- 494 HHSN271200723701C to The Rockefeller University (New York, NY)). Genotyping was 495 performed using the following primers: 5' TTG GCG CGC CTC CAA CAG GAT GTT AAC
- 496 AAC 3' and 5' CGC CCT CGC CGG ACA CGC TGA AC 3' (Figure Supplementary 2A).
- 497 The L7Cre mouse line was obtained from Jackson laboratories (B6.129-Tg(Pcp2-cre)2Mpin/J;
- 498 Stock Number: 004146) and genotyping was performed using the following primers: 5' GGT
- 499 GAC GGT CAG TAA ATT GGA C 3'; 5' CAC TTC TGA CTT GCA CTT TCC TTG G 3' and
- 500 5' TTC TTC AAG CTG CCC AGC AGA GAG C 3'.
- 501 All animal protocols were approved by the Comité Regional d'Ethique en Experimentation
- 502 Animale (no. 00057.01) and animals were housed in authorized facilities of the CIRB (# C75 05
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505 Antibodies

506 The following primary antibodies were used: mouse monoclonal anti-CABP (1:1000; Swant, 507 Switzerland, Cat#300), rabbit polyclonal anti-CABP (1:1000; Swant, Cat#CB38), mouse 508 monoclonal anti-GFP (1:1000; Abcam, Cambridge, United Kingdom, Cat#ab1218), rabbit 509 polyclonal anti-GFP (1:1000; Abcam, Cat#ab6556), mouse monoclonal anti-GluA2 (clone 6C4; 510 1:500; Millipore, Massachusetts, USA, Cat#MAB397 and BD, New Jersey, USA, Cat#556341), rabbit monoclonal anti-GluA2 (1:1000; Abcam, Cat#ab206293), rabbit polyclonal anti-511 GluR\delta1/2 (1:1000; Millipore, Cat#AB2285), rat monoclonal anti-HA (1:1000; Roche Life 512 513 Science, Penzberg, Germany, Cat#11867423001), rabbit monoclonal anti-ITCH (1:1000; Cell Signaling Technology, Massachusetts, USA, Cat#12117), 514 rabbit polyclonal anti-NEDD4 515 (1:10000; Millipore, Cat#07-049), guinea pig polyclonal anti-VGLUT1 (1:5000; Millipore, 516 Cat#AB5905), guinea pig polyclonal anti-VGLUT2 (1:5000; Millipore, Cat#AB2251) and 517 rabbit polyclonal anti-WWP1 (1:2000; Proteintech, Chicago, USA, Cat#13587-1-AP).

518 The following secondary antibodies were used: donkey polyclonal anti-Goat Alexa Fluor 568 519 (1:1000; Invitrogen, California, USA, Cat#A11057), donkey anti-Mouse Alexa Fluor 488 520 (1:1000; Invitrogen, Cat#R37114), donkey polyclonal anti-Mouse Alexa Fluor 568 (1:1000; Invitrogen, #A10037), donkey polyclonal anti-Rabbit Alexa Fluor 488 (1:1000; Invitrogen, 521 Cat#A21206), donkey polyclonal anti-Rat Alexa Fluor 594 (1:1000; Invitrogen, #A21209), 522 523 donkey polyclonal anti-Rat Alexa Fluor 568 (1:1000; Abcam, Cat#175475), goat polyclonal 524 anti-Guinea Pig Alexa Fluor 488 (1:1000; Invitrogen, Cat#A110-73), goat polyclonal anti-525 Guinea Pig Alexa Fluor 647 (1:1000; Invitrogen, Cat#A21450), goat polyclonal anti-Mouse 526 HRP (1:10000; Jackson Immune Research Laboratories, Pennsylvania, USA, Cat#115-035-527 174), goat polyclonal anti-rat HRP (1:10000; Jackson Immune Research Laboratories, #112528 035-175) and mouse polyclonal anti-rabbit HRP (1:10000; Jackson Immune Research 529 Laboratories, #211-032-171).

530 The following conjugated antibodies were used: sheep polyclonal anti-digoxigenin alkaline

- 531 phosphatase (1:2000 1:5000; Roche Life Science, Cat#11093274910), mouse monoclonal anti-
- 532 βACTIN (clone AC-15) HRP (1:25000; Abcam, Cat#ab49900).

533534 Plasmids

535 Full-length Susd4 mouse gene was cloned into the mammalian expression vector pEGFP-N1 536 (Addgene, Massachusetts, USA, Cat#6085-1) to express a SUSD4-GFP fusion construct under 537 the control of the CMV promoter (pSUSD4-GFP). An N-terminal HA tag was inserted just after the signal peptide (pHA-SUSD4-GFP). pHA-SUSD4 was obtained by removal of the C-terminal 538 539 GFP of pHA-SUSD4-GFP. A truncated form of *Susd4*, expressing the HA-SUSD4- ΔC_T mutant, was obtained by inserting a stop codon downstream of the sixth exon, 39bp after the 540 541 transmembrane domain using PCR on the pHA-SUSD4-GFP plasmid and the following primers: 542 forward primer 5' GCG CTA GCG ATG TAT CCT TAT GAT GTT CCT G 3'; reverse primer 543 5'TAG CGG CCG CTA TTA GGG GGG GAA GTG GGC CTT 3'. Other mutant constructs 544 were similarly obtained: the truncated form HA-SUSD4- ΔN_T corresponding to aminoacids 294-545 490, and the extracellular form of SUSD4, HA-SUSD4-N_T, corresponding to aminoacids 2-299. 546 The HA-SUSD4- Δ PY contains a mutation in aminoacids 411 and 414 changing PPAY to APAA 547 while HA-SUSD4-ALY is mutated in aminoacids 376 and 379 changing LPTY to APTA. 548 Mutagenesis was performed using the QuikChange Lightning Multi site directed mutagenesis kit 549 (Agilent, Santa Clara, USA, Cat#210513) according to the manufacturer's instructions. The 550 plasmid pIRES2-eGFP (Addgene, Cat#6029-1) was used as transfection control. The plasmid 551 expressing SEPGluA2 (Addgene, Cat#24001) was used to follow GluA2. The control 552 transmembrane protein PVRL3a was cloned into the mammalian expression vector pCAG-553 mGFP (Addgene, Cat#14757) to express the protein under the pCAG promoter (pCAG-554 PVRL3α).

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556 Viral mediated *in vivo* expression of HA-SUSD4

557 AAV2 particles were generated using a hSYN-DIO-HA-SUSD4-2A-eGFP-WPRE construct

- 558 (Vector biolabs, Malvern, USA) and injected stereotaxically in cerebella of adult mice
- expressing the CRE recombinase in cerebellar Purkinje cells (PCs) using the L7Cre mice. In the
- absence of Cre expression, the transgene is not produced. In the presence of Cre expression, the
- 561 transgene will be "FLip-EXchanged" leading to expression of the transgene specifically in PCs.
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563 In situ hybridization

564 Fresh frozen 20µm thick-sections were prepared using a cryostat (Cryostar NX 70, Thermo 565 Fisher Scientific, Ref.: 957000H) from brains of Susd4 WT and KO mice at P0, P7 or P21. The probe sequence corresponded to the nucleotide residues 287-1064bp (encompassing exons 2-5) 566 567 for mouse Susd4 (NM 144796.4) cDNA. The riboprobes were used at a final concentration of 0.05µg/µL, and hybridization was done overnight at a temperature of 72°C. The anti-568 569 digoxigenin-AP antibody (for details see antibodies section above) was used at a dilution of 570 1:5000. Alkaline phosphatase detection was done using BCIP/NBT colorimetric revelation 571 (Roche Life Science, Cat#11681451001).

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573 Behavioral Study

574 12-14 weeks old male mice were used in this study. They were housed in groups of 3-5 in 575 standard conditions: 12h light/dark cycle, with *ad libitum* food and water access. Seven days 576 before the beginning of behavioral test, mice were housed individually to limit inter-houses 577 variability resulting from social relationships. All behavioral tests took place in the light cycle.

578 <u>S.H.I.R.P.A. protocol</u>: Mice performed a series of tests to ensure their general good health and

579 motor performance and habituate them to being manipulated (Crawley, 2006). The test includes

580 observation of appearance, spontaneous behavior, neurological reflexes, anxiety, motor 581 coordination, balance rotarod and muscular strength tests and were performed within five days. 582 Individuals presenting deficits during the S.H.I.R.P.A. protocol were not used for other

- 583 behavioral tests.
- 584 <u>Footprint analysis:</u> The fore and hind paws of mice were dipped in magenta and cyan non-toxic 585 paint, respectively. Mice were allowed to walk through a rectangular plastic tunnel (9cm W x 586 57cm L x 16cm H), whose floor was covered with a sheet of white paper. Habituation was done 587 the day before the test. Five footsteps were considered for the analysis. Footprints were scanned
- and length measurements were made using ImageJ.

589 <u>Rotarod:</u> Mice were first habituated to the rotarod apparatus, three days before the acceleration

590 test. The habituation protocol consists of 5min at 4 r.p.m. To evaluate the motor coordination,

591 mice were placed on immobile rotarod cylinders, which ramped up from 0 to 45 rotations per

592 minute in 10min. The timer was stopped when the mouse fell off the cylinder or did a whole turn

593 with it. For a given session, this procedure was repeated three times per day separated by 60min.

- 594 The session was repeated during five consecutive days.
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596 Whole-cell patch-clamp on acute cerebellar slices

597 Responses to parallel fiber (PF) and CF stimulation were recorded in PCs of the lobule VI in 598 acute parasagittal and horizontal (long-term potentiation (LTP) experiments) cerebellar slices 599 from Susd4 KO juvenile (from P25 to P35) or adult (~P60) mice. Susd4 WT littermates were 600 used as controls. Mice were anesthetized using isoflurane 4% and sacrificed by decapitation. The cerebellum was dissected in ice cold oxygenated (95% O₂ and 5% CO₂) Bicarbonate Buffered 601 602 Solution (BBS) containing (in mM): NaCl 120, KCl 3, NaHCO₃ 26, NaH₂PO₄ 1.25, CaCl₂ 2, MgCl₂ 1 and D(+)-glucose 35. 300µm-thick cerebellar slices were cut with a vibratome (Microm 603 604 HM650V: Thermo Scientific Microm, Massachusetts, USA or 7000smz-2 Campden Instruments 605 Ltd., UK) in slicing solution (in mM): N-Methyl-D-Glucamine 93, KCl 2.5, NaH₂PO₄ 1.2, NaHCO₃ 30, HEPES 20, D(+)-Glucose 25, MgCl₂ 10, sodium ascorbate 5, thiourea 2, sodium 606 607 pyruvate 3, N-acetyl-cystein 1, kynurenic acid 1 and CaCl₂ 0.5 (pH 7.3). Immediately after 608 cutting, slices were allowed to briefly recover at 37°C in the oxygenated sucrose-based buffer (in 609 mM): sucrose 230, KCl 2.5, NaHCO₃ 26, NaH₂PO₄ 1.25, D(+)-glucose 25, CaCl₂ 0.8 and MgCl₂ 8. D-APV and minocycline at a final concentration of 50µM and 50nM, respectively, were added 610 611 to the sucrose-based buffer. Slices were allowed to fully recover in bubbled BBS with 50mM 612 minocycline at 37°C for at least 40min before starting the experiment, then maintained at RT for 613 a maximum time of 8h (from slicing time). Patch clamp borosilicate glass pipettes with $3-6M\Omega$ 614 resistance were filled with the following internal solutions:

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616 1. Cesium metanesulfonate solution (CsMe solution, for EPSC elicited from CF and PF),

617 containing (in mM) CsMeSO₃ 135, NaCl 6, MgCl₂ 1, HEPES 10, MgATP 4, Na₂GTP 0.4, EGTA
618 1.5, QX314Cl 5, TEA 5 and biocytin 2.6 (pH 7.3).

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620 2. CsMe S-solution (for delayed EPSC quanta events), containing (in mM): CsMeSO₃ 140,
621 MgCl₂ 0.5, HEPES 10, MgATP 4, Na₂GTP 0.5, BAPTA 10 and neurobiotin 1% (pH 7.35).

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3. Potasium Gluconate solution (KGlu solution, for PF long-term plasticity), containing (in mM):
K Gluconate 136, KCl 10, HEPES 10, MgCl₂ 1, sucrose 16, MgATP 4 and Na₂GTP 0.4 (pH

625 7.35).

626 627 Stimulation electrodes with $\sim 5 M\Omega$ resistances were pulled from borosilicate glass pipettes and 628 filled with BBS. Recordings were performed at room temperature on slices continuously 629 perfused with oxygenated BBS. The experiment started at least 20min after the whole-cell 630 configuration was established. The Digitimer DS3 (Digitimer Ltd) stimulator was used to elicit 631 CF and PF and neuronal connectivity responses in PCs. Patch-clamp experiments were 632 conducted in voltage clamp mode (except for the LTP and long-term depression (LTD) induction 633 protocols that were made under current clamp mode) using a MultiClamp 700B amplifier 634 (Molecular Devices, California, USA) and acquired using the freeware WinWCP written by John 635 Dempster (https://pureportal.strath.ac.uk/en/datasets/strathclyde-electrophysiology-softwarewinwcp-winedr). Series resistance was compensated by 60-100% and cells were discarded if 636 637 significant changes were detected. Currents were low-pass filtered at 2.2kHz and digitized at 20kHz.

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640 CF and PF-EPSC experiments: To isolate the AMPARs current, the BBS was supplemented with 641 (in mM) picrotoxin 0.1, D-AP5 10, CGP52432 0.001, JNJ16259685 0.002, DPCPX 0.0005 and AM251 0.001. CF and PF EPSCs were monitored at a holding potential of -10mV. During CF 642 643 recordings, the stimulation electrode was placed in the granule cell layer below the clamped cell; 644 CF-mediated responses were identified by the typical all-or-none response and strong depression 645 displayed by the second response elicited during paired pulse stimulations (20Hz). The number 646 of CFs innervating the recorded PC was estimated from the number of discrete CF-EPSC steps. 647 PF stimulation was achieved by placing the stimulation electrode in the molecular layer at the 648 minimum distance required to avoid direct stimulation of the dendritic tree of the recorded PC. 649 The input-output curve was obtained by incrementally increasing the stimulation strength. Peak 650 EPSC values for PF were obtained following averaging of three consecutive recordings, values 651 for CF-EPSC correspond to the first recording. Short-term plasticity experiments were analyzed 652 using a software written in Python by Antoine Valera (http://synaptiqs.wixsite.com/synaptiqs).

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654 PF-Long-term plasticity experiments: PCs were clamped at -60mV. Each PF-induced response was monitored by a test protocol of paired stimulation pulses (20Hz) applied every 20s. A 655 656 baseline was established during 10min of paired-pulse stimulation in the voltage clamp 657 configuration. After that, an induction protocol was applied in current-clamp mode with cells held at -60mV. During LTD induction, the PFs were stimulated with two pulses at high 658 659 frequency (200Hz) and, after 100ms, the CF was stimulated with four pulses at high frequency 660 (200Hz) repeated every 2 seconds for a period of 10min. During LTP induction, recordings were made using BBS not supplemented with picrotoxin and the PFs were stimulated with bursts of 15 661 pulses at high frequency (100 Hz) repeated every 3s for a period of 5min (Binda et al., 2016). 662 663 Then, PCs were switched to the voltage clamp mode and paired stimulation pulses applied again, 664 lasting 40min. All the data were normalized to the mean baseline. Long-term plasticity was 665 analyzed with the software Igor Pro 6.05 (WaveMetrics INC, Oregon, USA).

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667 <u>PF and CF delayed EPSC quanta events</u> were detected and analyzed using the software Clampfit 668 10.7 (Molecular Devices). PF- and CF-delayed EPSC quanta superposed events were discarded 669 manually based on the waveform. A threshold of 10pA for minimal amplitude was used to select 670 the CF events. 100 (PF) and 300 (CF) events for each neuron were studied by analyzing 671 consecutive traces.

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673 High density microelectrode array (MEA) analysis of Purkinje cell spiking in acute 674 cerebellar slices

- Experiments were performed on acute cerebellar slices obtained from 3-6 months-old mice in artificial cerebrospinal fluid (ACSF) containing (in mM): NaCl 125, KCl 2.5, D(+)Glucose 25, NaHCO₃ 25, NaH₂PO₄ 1.25, CaCl₂ 2, and MgCl₂ 1 and oxygenated (95% O₂ and 5% CO₂). Parasagittal slices (320 μ m) were cut at 30°C (Huang and Uusisaari, 2013) with a vibratome (7000smz-2, Campden Instruments Ltd.) at an advance speed of 0.03mm/s and vertical vibration set to 0.1 - 0.3 μ m. Slices were then transferred to a chamber filled with oxygenated ACSF at
- 681 37°C and allowed to recover for 1h before recordings.
- For recording, the slices were placed over a high-density micro electrode array of 4096 electrodes (electrode size, $21 \times 21\mu$ m; pitch, 42μ m; 64×64 matrix; Biocam X, 3Brain, Wädenswil, Switzerland), and constantly perfused with oxygenated ACSF at 37C°. Extracellular activity was digitized at 17 kHz and data were analyzed with the Brainwave software (3Brain).
- The signal was filtered with a butterworth high-pass filter at 200 Hz, spikes were detected with a
- hard threshold set at -100μ V, and unsupervised spike sorting was done by the software. We selected units with a firing rate between 15 and 100 spikes per second and we excluded units
- 689 presenting more than 5% of refractory period violation (set to 3ms). Recordings were performed 690 on two slices per animal, each slice containing between 20 and 200 active neurons, and results 691 were then pooled for each animal.
- 692 To quantify the average variability in the firing rate, the coefficient of variation (CV) of the
- 693 interspike interval (ISI) in seconds) was calculated as the ratio of the standard deviation (SD) of 694 ISIs to the mean ISI of a given cell. To measure the firing pattern variability within a short
- period of two ISIs, CV2 was calculated $[CV2 = 2|ISI_{n+1} ISI_n|/(ISI_{n+1} + ISI_n)]$ (Holt and Douglas, 1996).
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698 Affinity-purification of SUSD4 interactors from synaptosome preparations

- HEK293H (Gibco, Massachusetts, USA, Cat#11631-017) were maintained at 37°C in a humidified incubator with 5% CO₂ in Dulbecco's Modified Eagle's Medium (DMEM; containing high glucose and glutamax, Life Technologies, Cat#31966047) supplemented with 10% fetal bovine serum (FBS, Gibco, Cat#16141-079), and 1% penicillin/streptomycin (Gibco, Cat#15140122). 10⁶ cells were plated per well in a 6-well plate and transfected 24 hours (h) after plating with the indicated plasmids (1µg plasmid DNA per well) using Lipofectamine 2000 (Invitrogen, Cat#11668-019) according to manufacturer's instructions.
- (Invitrogen, Cat#11668-019) according to manufacturer's instructions.
- 48h after transfection, cells were lysed and proteins were solubilized for 1h at 4°C under gentle
 rotation in lysis buffer (10mM Tris-HCl pH7.5, 10mM EDTA, 150mM NaCl, 1% Triton X100
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- 703 (1x, Sigma, Cat#X100), 0.1% SDS) supplemented with a protease minoror cocktair (1.100, Sigma, Cat#P8340) and MG132 (100 μ M; Sigma, Cat#C2211). Lysates were sonicated for 10
- signa, Cat#18340) and WG132 (100µW, Signa, Cat#C2211). Lysaces were someated for 16 seconds, further solubilized for 1h at 4°C and clarified by centrifugation at 6000 r.p.m. during 8
- minutes (min). Supernatants were collected, incubated with 5µg of rat monoclonal anti-HA

antibody (for details see antibodies), together with 60µL of protein G-sepharose beads (Sigma;
Cat#10003D) for 3h at 4°C, to coat the beads with the HA-tagged SUSD4 proteins. When
SUSD4-GFP was expressed for affinity-pulldowns, GFP-Trap was done according to the
instructions of GFP-Trap®_A (Chromotek, New York, USA, Cat#ABIN509397). Coated beads
were washed 3 times with 1mL lysis buffer.

- 717 To prepare synaptosome fractions, cerebella from WT mice (P30) were homogenized at 4°C in 718 10 volumes (w/v) of 10mM Tris buffer (pH7.4) containing 0.32M sucrose and protease inhibitor 719 cocktail (1:100). The resulting homogenate was centrifuged at 800g for 5min at 4°C to remove 720 nuclei and cellular debris. Synaptosomal fractions were purified by centrifugation for 20min at 721 20000 r.p.m. (SW41Ti rotor) at 4°C using Percoll-sucrose density gradients (2-6-10-20%; v/v). 722 Each fraction from the 10 - 20% interface was collected and washed in 10mL of a 5mM HEPES 723 buffer pH 7.4 (NaOH) containing 140mM NaCl, 3mM KCl, 1.2mM MgSO₄, 1.2mM CaCl₂, 724 1mM NaH₂PO₄, 5mM NaHCO₃ and 10mM D(+)-Glucose by centrifugation. The suspension was 725 immediately centrifuged at 10000g at 4°C for 10min. Synaptosomes in the pellet were 726 resuspended in 100µL of lysis buffer (10mM Tris-HCl pH7.5, 10mM EDTA, 150mM NaCl, 1% 727 Tx) supplemented with a protease inhibitor cocktail (1:100) and MG132 (100µM). Lysates were 728 sonicated for 10 seconds, and further incubated for 1h at 4°C. HA-SUSD4, GFP-SUSD4 or its 729 control GFP coated beads were then incubated with the synaptosomal lysates for 3h at 4°C. 730 Beads were washed three times with lysis buffer supplemented with 0.1% SDS. Bound proteins 731 were eluted for 10min at 75°C using Laemmli buffer (160mM Tris ph6.8, 4% SDS, 20% 732 glycérol, 0.008% BBP) with 5% β-mercaptoethanol before SDS-PAGE followed by western 733 blotting or mass spectrometry.
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735 **Co-Immunoprecipitation experiments in HEK293 cells**

736 10⁶ HEK293H cells were plated per well in 6-well plates and transfected 24h after plating with 737 the indicated plasmids (1.6µg plasmid SEPGluA2 per well, using a molar ratio of 2:1 738 SEPGluA2:other plasmid) using Lipofectamine 2000 according to manufacturer's instructions. 739 For anti-HA pull downs, proteins from HEK293 cell lysates were solubilized in lysis buffer (1M Tris-HCl pH8, 10mM EDTA, 1,5M NaCl, 1% Tergitol TM. (sigma; Cat#NP40), 2% Na azide, 740 741 10% SDS and 10% Na deoxycholate) supplemented with a protease inhibitor cocktail (1:100) 742 and MG132 (1%). Then, lysates were sonicated for 15s, further clarified by a centrifugation at 743 14000 r.p.m. for 10min. Supernatants were collected and incubated with Dynabeads protein G 744 (life technologies, Cat#10004D) and 28.8µg of rat monoclonal anti-HA antibody (for details see 745 antibodies) under gentle rotation for 1h at 4°C. Precipitates were washed three times in lysis 746 buffer and then eluted by boiling (65°C) the beads 15min in sample buffer (made from sample 747 buffer 2X concentrate, Sigma, Cat#S3401) before SDS-PAGE. For SEPGluA2 pull downs, 48h 748 after transfection, cells were washed twice in 1X PBS, lysed with 200µL of lysis buffer (50mM 749 Tris-HCl pH8 and 1% Tx) supplemented with a protease inhibitor cocktail (1:100) and MG132 750 (50 μ M), scraped, sonicated 3 x 5 seconds, and proteins were further solubilized for 30min at 4°C under rotation. Lysates were clarified by centrifugation at 14000 r.p.m. for 10min at 4°C. 751 Supernatants (inputs) were collected and incubated with G-protein Dynabeads (ThermoFisher 752 753 Scientific, Cat#10004D), previously linked to mouse anti-GFP antibody (for details see 754 antibodies section), under gentle rotation for 1h at 4°C, to coat the beads with the SEP-tagged 755 GluA2 proteins and interactors. Using a magnet, coated beads were washed five times in lysis 756 buffer and bound proteins were then eluted by boiling for 15min at 65°C in 1X sample buffer 757 before SDS-PAGE and western blot analysis for detection of HA-SUSD4, GluA2 and PVRL3a.

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759 Mass spectrometry analysis

Proteins were separated by SDS-PAGE on 10% polyacrylamide gels (Mini-PROTEAN® TGXTM Precast Gels, Bio-Rad, Hercules USA) and stained with Protein Staining Solution (Euromedex, Souffelweyersheim France). Gel lanes were cut into five pieces and destained with 50mM triethylammonium bicarbonate (TEABC) and three washes in 100% acetonitrile. Proteins were digested in-gel using trypsin (1.2 μ g/band, Gold, Promega, Madison USA), as previously described (Thouvenot et al., 2008). Digest products were dehydrated in a vacuum centrifuge.

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Nano-flow liquid chromatography coupled to tandem mass spectrometry (NanoLC-MS/MS):
Peptides, resuspended in 3µL formic acid (0.1%, buffer A), were loaded onto a 15cm reversed
phase column (75mm inner diameter, Acclaim Pepmap 100® C18, Thermo Fisher Scientific)
and separated with an Ultimate 3000 RSLC system (Thermo Fisher Scientific) coupled to a Q
Exactive Plus (Thermo Fisher Scientific) *via* a nano-electrospray source, using a 120min
gradient of 5 to 40% of buffer B (80% ACN, 0.1% formic acid) and a flow rate of 300nL/min.

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MS/MS analyses were performed in a data-dependent mode. Full scans (375 - 1,500m/z) were acquired in the Orbitrap mass analyzer with a 70000 resolution at 200m/z. For the full scans, 3 x 10⁶ ions were accumulated within a maximum injection time of 60ms and detected in the Orbitrap analyzer. The twelve most intense ions with charge states ≥ 2 were sequentially isolated to a target value of 1 x 10⁵ with a maximum injection time of 45ms and fragmented by HCD (Higher-energy collisional dissociation) in the collision cell (normalized collision energy of 28%) and detected in the Orbitrap analyzer at 17500 resolution.

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782 MS/MS data analysis: Raw spectra were processed using the MaxQuant environment ((Cox and 783 Mann, 2008), v.1.5.5.1) and Andromeda for database search (Cox et al., 2011). The MS/MS 784 spectra were matched against the UniProt Reference proteome (Proteome ID UP000000589) of 785 Mus musculus (release 2017 03; http://www.uniprot.org) and 250 frequently observed 786 contaminants (MaxQuant contaminants database) as well as reversed sequences of all entries. 787 The following settings were applied for database interrogation: mass tolerance of 7ppm (MS) 788 and 0.5 Th (MS/MS), trypsin/P enzyme specificity, up to two missed cleavages allowed, only 789 peptides with at least seven amino acids in length considered, and Oxidation (Met) and 790 acetylation (protein N-term) as variable modifications. The "match between runs" (MBR) feature 791 was allowed, with a matching time window of 0.7min. FDR was set at 0.01 for peptides and 792 proteins.

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794 A representative protein ID in each protein group was automatically selected using an in-house 795 bioinformatics tool (leading v2.1). First, proteins with the most numerous identified peptides are 796 isolated in a "match group" (proteins from the "Protein IDs" column with the maximum number of "peptides counts"). For the match groups where more than one protein ID is present after 797 798 filtering, the best annotated protein in UniProtKB (reviewed entries rather than automatic ones), 799 highest evidence for protein existence, most annotated protein according to the number of Gene 800 Ontology Annotations (GOA Mouse version 151) is defined as the "leading" protein. Only 801 proteins identified with a minimum of two unique peptides, without MS/MS in control 802 immunoprecipitation and exhibiting more than 4-fold enrichment (assessed by spectral count 803 ratio) in Sushi domain-containing protein 4 (SUSD4) immunoprecipitation, vs control

immunoprecipitation, in the two biological replicates, were considered as potential partners ofSUSD4 (Table 1).

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807 Gene Ontology analysis: The statistically enriched gene ontology (GO) categories for the 28 808 candidate proteins were determined by Cytoscape (v3.6) plugin ClueGO v2.5.3 (Bindea et al., 809 molecular function category was considered (release 2009). The 18.12.2018, 810 https://www.ebi.ac.uk/GOA), except evidences inferred from electronic annotations. Terms are 811 selected by different filter criteria from the ontology source: 3-8 GO level intervals, minimum of 812 4 genes per GO term and 10% of associated genes/term. A two-sided hypergeometric test for 813 enrichment analysis (Benjamini-Hochberg standard correction used for multiple testing) was 814 applied against the whole identified protein as reference set. Other predefined settings were used. 815 Each node representing a specific GO term is color-coded based on enrichment significance (p-816 value). Edge thickness represents the calculated score (kappa, κ) to determine the association 817 strength between the terms.

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819 Chemical LTD and GluA2 surface biotinylation assay in cerebellar acute slices

820 300 µm-thick parasagittal cerebellar slices were obtained from P31-P69 WT and Susd4 KO mice 821 following the same protocol described before (Patch-clamp section). Slices were incubated for 822 2h at 37°C in oxygenated BBS with or without proteasome (50µM MG132 in DMSO,) and 823 lysosomal (100µg/mL leupeptine in water, Sigma, Cat#11034626001) inhibitors. Chemical LTD 824 was induced by incubating the slices for 5min at 37°C in BBS containing 50mM K⁺ and 10µM 825 glutamate (diluted in HCl), followed by a recovery period in BBS for 30min at 37°C all under 826 oxygenation; in presence or not of inhibitors. Control slices were incubated in parallel in BBS 827 solution containing HCl. Slices were then homogenized in lysis buffer, containing: 50mM Tris-828 HCl, 150mM NaCl, 0.1% SDS, 0.02% Na Azide, 0.5% Na Deoxycholate, 1% NP-40 and 829 protease inhibitor cocktail (1:100). Homogenates were incubated 45min at 4°C, then sonicated 830 and centrifuged at 14000 r.p.m. for 10min at 4°C. Supernatants were then heated at 65°C in 2X 831 sample buffer (Sigma, Cat#S3401) prior to western blot analysis for detection of GluA2 and 832 GluD2.

833 For GluA2 surface biotinvlation assay, cerebellar slices (obtained from mice aged between P27-P61) were treated as above. After a recovery period of 30min at 37°C in BBS, slices were 834 incubated in a biotinylation solution (ThermoFisher Scientific, EZ-LinkTM Sulfo-NHS-SS-Biotin, 835 Cat#A39258, 0,125mg/mL) for 30min on ice without oxygen. Slices were finally washed three 836 837 times for 10min in PBS pH7.4 at 4°C and then homogenized in lysis buffer, containing: 50mM 838 Tris-HCl pH8, 150mM NaCl, 0.1% SDS, 0.02% Na Azide, 0.5% Na Deoxycholate, 1% NP-40 839 and protease inhibitor cocktail (1:100). Homogenates were incubated 45min at 4°C, then 840 sonicated and centrifuged at 14000 r.p.m. for 10min at 4°C. Supernatants (inputs) were collected 841 and incubated with Dynabeads MyOne Streptavidin C1 (Thermo Fisher Scientific, Cat#65001) 842 under gentle rotation overnight at 4°C. Using a magnet, beads were washed five times in lysis 843 buffer and biotinvlated proteins were then eluted by boiling for 15min at 65°C in 1X sample 844 buffer before SDS-PAGE and western blot analysis for detection of GluA2.

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846 Immunocytochemistry

847 <u>Labeling of primary hippocampal neurons:</u> Hippocampi were dissected from E18 mice embryos

- and dissociated. 1.2×10^5 neurons were plated onto 18 mm diameter glass cover-slips precoated with $20 \times 27\%$ in a 5% CO
- 849 with 80μ g/mL poly-L-ornithine (Sigma, Cat#P3655) and maintained at 37°C in a 5% CO₂

humidified incubator in neurobasal medium (Gibco, Cat#21103049) supplemented with 2% B27 supplement (Gibco, Cat#17504044) and 2mM Glutamax (Gibco, Cat#35050-038). Fresh
culture medium (neurobasal medium supplemented with 2% B-27, 2mM L-glutamine (Gibco,
Cat#A2916801) and 5% horse serum (Gibco, Cat#26050088) was added every week for
maintenance of the neuronal cultures.

855 Hippocampal neurons at days in vitro 13 (DIV13) were transfected using Lipofectamine 2000 856 and 0.5µg plasmid DNA per well. After transfection, neurons were maintained in the incubator for 24h, then fixed with 100% methanol for 10min at -20°C. After rinsing with PBS, non-857 858 specific binding sites were blocked using PBS containing 4% donkey serum (DS, Abcam, 859 Cat#ab7475) and 0.2% Tx Primary and secondary antibodies were diluted in PBS 1% DS / 0.2% Tx and incubated 1h at room temperature. Three washes in PBS 0.2% Tx were performed before 860 and after each antibody incubation. Nuclear counterstaining was performed with Hoechst 33342 861 (Sigma, Cat#14533) for 15min at room temperature. 862

863 Labeling of primary cerebellar mixed cultures: Cerebellar mixed cultures were prepared from P0 864 tg/0 "B6.129-Tg(Pcp2-cre)2Mpin/J" (Stock Number: 004146, outbred, C57Bl/6J background) mouse cerebella and were dissected and dissociated according to previously published protocol 865 866 (Tabata et al., 2000). Neurons were seeded at a density of 5x106 cells/mL. Mixed cerebellar 867 cultures were transduced at DIV3 using a Cre-dependent AAV construct that express HA-tagged 868 SUSD4 and soluble GFP (2µL of AAV2-hSYN-DIO-HA-SUSD4-2A-eGFP-WPRE at 869 4,1.10¹² GC/mL or control AAV2-hSYN-DIO-eGFP-WPRE at 5.10¹² GC/mL). At DIV17, 870 neurons were fixed with 4% PFA in PBS1X for 30min at room temperature. After rinsing with 871 PBS, non-specific binding sites were blocked using PBS containing 4% DS and 0.2% Tx. Primary and secondary antibodies were diluted in PBS 1% DS and 0.2% Tx and incubated one 872 873 hour at room temperature. Three PBS 0.2% Tx washes were performed before and after each 874 antibody incubation. Nuclear counterstaining was performed with Hoechst 33342 for 15min at 875 room temperature.

876 Immunohistochemistry

877 Labeling of brain sections: 30µm-thick parasagittal brain sections were obtained using a 878 freezing microtome (SM2010R, Leica) and brains obtained after intracardiac perfusion with 4% PFA in PBS solution of mice sedated with 100mg/kg pentobarbital sodium. Sections were then 879 washed three times for 5min in PBS, then blocked with PBS 4% DS for 30min. The primary 880 antibodies were diluted in PBS, 1% DS, 1% Tx. The sections were incubated in the primary 881 882 antibody solution overnight at 4°C and then washed three times for 5min in PBS 1% Tx. 883 Sections were incubated in the secondary antibody, diluted in PBS 1% DS 1% Tx solution, for 884 1h at room temperature. The sections were then incubated for 15min at room temperature with 885 the nuclear marker Hoechst 33342 in PBS 0.2% Tx. Finally, the sections were washed three 886 times for 5min in PBS 1% Tx, recovered in PBS and mounted with Prolong Gold (Thermo 887 Fisher Scientific, Cat#P36934) between microscope slides and coverslips (Menzel-gläser, 888 Brunswick, Germany, Cat#15165252).

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890 **RT-PCR and quantitative RT-PCR**

891 For standard RT-PCR, total RNA was isolated from the cortex, cerebellum and brainstem of 2-

892 month-old Susd4 KO mice and WT control littermates, using the RNeasy mini kit (Qiagen,

- 893 Venlo, Netherlands, Cat#74104). Equivalent amounts of total RNA (100 ng) were reverse-
- 894 transcribed according to the protocol of SuperScript® VILOTM cDNA Synthesis kit (Life

895 Technologies, California, USA, Cat#11754-250) as stated by manufacturer's instructions. The primers used were forward 5' TGT TAC TGC TCG TCA TCC TGG 3' and reverse 5' GAG 896 AGT CCC CTC TGC ACT TGG 3'. PCR was performed with an annealing temperature of 897 61°C, for 39 cycles, using the manufacturer's instructions (Taq polymerase; New England 898 899 Biolabs, Massachusetts, USA, Cat#M0273S). Quantitative PCR was performed using the 900 TaqMan universal master mix II with UNG (applied biosystems, Cat# 4440038) and the 901 following TaqMan probes: Rpl13a (#4331182 Mm01612986 gH) and Susd4 902 (#4331182 Mm01312134 m1).

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904 Western Blot analysis

905 After samples were mixed with sample buffer, proteins were resolved by electrophoresis on a 4-906 12% NuPAGE Bis-Tris-Gel according to Invitrogen protocols, then electrotransferred using 907 TransBlot DS Semi-dry transfer Cell or TransBlot Turbo transfer system (Bio-Rad) to PVDF 908 membrane (Immobilon-P transfer membrane, Millipore, Cat#IPVH00010). Membranes were 909 blocked in PBS supplemented with Tween 0.2% (PBST) and non-fat milk 5% and incubated 910 with primary antibodies in PBST-milk 5%. After washing three times in PBST, membranes 911 were incubated with Horseradish Peroxidase-conjugated secondary antibodies in PBST-milk 912 5%. Membranes were finally washed three times and bound antibodies were revealed 913 using Immobilon Western (Millipore, Cat#WBKLS) or Western Femto Maximum Sensitivity 914 (Thermo Fisher Scientific, Cat#34095) or SuperSignal West Dura (Thermo Fisher Scientific, (Thermo 915 ECL Western Blotting substrate Cat#34075) or Fisher Scientific. 916 Cat#32209) chemiluminescent solutions and images acquired on a Fusion FX7 system (Vilber Lourmat, Île-de-France, France). Quantitation of Western blots was performed using the 917 918 ImageJ software on raw images under non-saturating conditions. Band intensities of proteins of 919 interest were obtained after manually selecting a rectangular region around the band. The signal 920 intensity of the band of interest was then normalized to the signal intensity of the corresponding 921 BACTIN (used as a loading control). For quantifications of immunoprecipitation experiments, 922 input intensities were normalized to BACTIN, and then the intensities of immunoprecipitated 923 protein bands were normalized to the normalized inputs, unless otherwise stated.

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925 Image acquisition and quantification

926 In situ hybridization images were acquired using an Axio Zoom. V16 (Zeiss, Oberkochen,

Germany) microscope equipped with a digital camera (AxioCam HRm) using a 10x objective
 (pixel size 0.650μm).

929 Immunofluorescence image stacks were acquired using a confocal microscope (SP5, Leica), 930 using a 63x objective (1,4NA, oil immersion, pixel size: 57nm for cell culture imaging, pixel

931 size: 228nm for 63x; 76nm, 57nm, 45nm for higher magnifications for *in vivo* imaging). The

932 pinhole aperture was set to 1 Airy Unit and a z-step of 200 nm was used. Laser intensity and

photomultiplier tube (PMT) gain was set so as to occupy the full dynamic range of the detector.
 Images were acquired in 16-bit range. Immunofluorescence images and image stacks from

- figure 1C, 1D and 4F were acquired using a Zeiss LSM 980 Confocal with an Airyscan detector
- 936 (v2.0), using a 63x objective (1,4NA, oil immersion, pixel size: 43nm, z-step of 150nm).
- 937 Deconvolution was performed for the VGLUT1 images with Huygens 4.1 software (Scientific
- Volume Imaging) using Maximum Likelihood Estimation algorithm from Matlab. 40 iterations
- 939 were applied in classical mode, background intensity was averaged from the voxels with lowest
- 940 intensity, and signal to noise ratio values were set to a value of 25.

- 941 VGLUT1 and VGLUT2 puncta were analyzed using the Matlab software and a homemade code
 942 source (Dr. Andréa Dumoulin). The number, area and intensity of puncta were quantified using
 943 the mask of each puncta generated by the Multidimensional Image analysis software (MIA)
- 943 the mask of each puncta generated by the Multidimensional Image analysis software (MIA) 944 from Metamorph® (Molecular Devices). For each animal, puncta parameters were measured
- from Metamorph® (Molecular Devices). For each animal, puncta parameters were measured from four equidistant images within a 35-image stack at 160 nm interval, acquired from three
- 946 different lobules (n=12).
- 947 The software ImageJ was used to measure the total area of a cerebellar section from images of
- staining obtained with the nuclear marker Hoechst. The extension of the molecular layer was
- 949 measured using images of the anti-CABP staining. Nine parasagittal sections were analyzed per
- animal. The data presented correspond to the mean per animal.
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952 Statistical analysis

Data from all experiments were imported in Prism (GraphPad Software, California, USA) for statistical analysis, except for electrophysiology data that were imported to Igor Pro 6.05 (WaveMetrics INC) for statistical analysis.

- 956 In the case of two column analyses of means, the differences between the two groups were 957 assessed using two-tailed Student's t-test. Normality of populations were assessed using 958 D'Agostino & Pearson, Shapiro-Wilk and Kolmogorov-Smirnov normality tests. When groups 959 did not fit the normal distribution, the non-parametric Mann-Whitney test was used. For the 960 rotarod behavioral test (two variables, genotype and trial), two-way repeated measures ANOVA 961 followed by Bonferroni post hoc test was performed. The two-tailed Student's one sample t-test 962 (when normality criterion was met) or the two-tailed Wilcoxon Signed Rank Test was used to compare ratios to a null hypothesis of 1 for biochemical experiments or 100 for long-term 963 plasticity (Fay, 2013). Differences in cumulative probability were assessed with the 964 965 Kolmogorov-Smirnov distribution test, and differences in distribution were tested using the Chi-966 squared test.
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1308 Figure legends

- 1309 Figure 1. SUSD4 is necessary for motor coordination adaptation and learning.
- 1310(A) Diagram of the protein SUSD4 showing its domain organization with four extracellular1311Complement Control Protein (CCP) domains, one transmembrane (TM) domain and a1312cytoplasmic domain (C_T).
- (B) Quantitative RT-PCR shows an increase in *Susd4* mRNA expression (relative to the housekeeping gene Rpl13a) during postnatal development in the cerebellum and in the brainstem. Extracts were prepared from tissue samples of mice aged from 0 to 21 days (P0-21) and three months (3mo). Mean \pm s.e.m. (n=3 independent experiments).
- (C) HA-tagged SUSD4 is found in dendrites (left panel, single plane) and in some of the distal dendritic spines (right panel, arrowheads, projection of a 1,95μm z-stack) in adult cerebellar
 Purkinje cells. Anti-HA and anti-GFP immunolabeling was performed on parasagittal cerebellar sections obtained from adult L7-Cre mice after stereotaxic injection of AAV particles driving the expression of HA-SUSD4 and soluble GFP. Scale bars: 10 μm (left panel) and 2μm (right panel).
- (D) Purkinje cells from primary mixed cerebellar culture of L7-Cre mice were transduced at 3 days in vitro (DIV3) with a HA-tagged SUSD4 expressing virus (AAV2-hSYN-DIO-HA-SUSD4-2A-eGFP) or with a control virus expressing GFP (AAV2-hSYN-DIO-eGFP), and immunostained in non-permeabilizing conditions at DIV17 for HA to localize surface SUSD4 (anti-HA, red), and in permeabilizing conditions to detect the green fluorescent protein (anti-GFP, green) and the endogenous GluD2 subunit (anti-GRID2, blue). Scale bar: 5 μm.
- (E) Genomic structure of the *Susd4* gene. White boxes represent exons. Exon 1 is deleted in the
 Susd4 loss-of-function mouse model. See also Figure 1-figure supplement 2.
- (F) Motor coordination and learning is deficient in adult male *Susd4* ^{-/-} (KO) mice compared to age-matched *Susd4*^{+/+} (WT) littermates. Each mouse was tested three times per day during five consecutive days on an accelerating rotarod (4 to 40 r.p.m. in 10 minutes) and the time spent on the rotarod was measured. Mean \pm s.e.m. (WT n=11 and KO n=7 mice, two-way ANOVA with repeated measures, Interaction (time and genotype): ** P=0.0079, F(14, 224) = 2.22; Time: **** P<0.0001, F(14, 224) = 3.469; Genotype: P=0.0553, F(1, 16) = 4.272).
- (G) *In situ* hybridization experiments were performed on brain sections from one month-old WT and *Susd4* KO mice to detect *Susd4* mRNA using a probe encompassing exons 2 to 5 (See also Figure 1-figure supplement 2). *Susd4* expression was found in many regions of the brain in *Susd4*^{+/+} (WT) mice (see also Figure 1-figure supplement 1) including the cerebral cortex (CTX), the cerebellum (CB), and the brainstem (BS). No labeling was found in the brain of *Susd4*^{-/-} (KO) mice. Scale bars: 500 µm.
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1346 Figure 1-figure supplement 1. *Susd4* mRNA expression in the developing mouse brain.

- (A) Susd4 mRNA expression was visualized in the brain of wild-type (WT) mice by in situ
 hybridization. Coronal (left) and sagittal (right) sections are presented at postnatal day 0
 (P0),
- 1350 **(B)** postnatal day 7 (P7) and
- (C) postnatal day 30 (P30). *Susd4* expression was found in many regions including the cerebral cortex (CTX), the dentate gyrus (DG) and CA3 regions in the hippocampus (coronal section, left), the cerebellum (CB), in particular Purkinje cells (PCs), and the inferior olive (IO;
- 1354 sagittal section, right). Scale bars: 250μm and 500μm (inset C).
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1356 Figure 1-figure supplement 2. Characterization of *Susd4* knockout (KO) mice.

- (A) Structure of the *Susd4* gene and strategy for the generation of the knockout mouse. The gene coding for the *Susd4* mRNA contains 8 exons. The wild-type WT allele is presented indicating the localization of the primers used for genotyping and of the probes used for TaqMan RT-qPCR. In the knockout allele, the 5'UTR and first exon are entirely deleted and replaced by the selection cassette.
- (B) Susd4 expression was assessed by RT-PCR using primers encompassing exons 6 to 8 in extracts from cortex (CTX), cerebellum (CB) and brainstem (BS) in control and Susd4 KO mice.
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1366 Figure 1-figure supplement 3. Footprint analysis in *Susd4* KO mice.

- Footprint patterns of P30 WT and *Susd4* KO mice were quantitatively analyzed by measuring
 stride length for the fore paws (magenta) and hind paws (cyan), stance length for the
 forelimbs and hindlimbs, and print separation. Mean ± s.e.m. (WT n=9 and KO n=10 mice;
 unpaired Student's t-test; Forelimb stance: P=0.3059; Forelimb stride: P=0.5882; Hindlimb
 stance: P=0.4533; Hindlimb stride: P=0.3580; Print separation: * P=0.0148).
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1373 Figure 1-figure supplement 4. Normal cerebellar cytoarchitecture in Susd4 KO mice.

- (A) Parasagittal sections of P30 WT and *Susd4* KO cerebella were stained with Hoechst and used for quantitative analysis of the mean area of the cerebellum. Mean ± s.e.m. (n=3 WT mice and n=3 KO mice). Scale bar: 500μm.
- (B) Calbindin protein (CABP) immunostaining was used for quantitative analysis of the mean height of the molecular layer. Mean ± s.e.m. (WT n=5 and KO n=6 mice). Scale bar: 30μm.
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1380Figure 1-figure supplement 5. High density microelectrode array (MEA) analysis of1381Purkinje cell spiking in acute cerebellar slices from Susd4 KO compared to WT.

- (A) Image of a cerebellar acute slice from a WT mouse overlapped with the image of the color
 map of the MEA recording. Each pixel represents one channel, where the active units are in
 red. The black square highlights one of the channels.
- (B) Representative traces of electrical activity recorded in one channel from control and *Susd4* KO mice. Each tick points out one action potential that has been detected and sorted by the
 Brainwave software.
- (C) Histograms of the mean firing rate, coefficient of variation (CV) of Inter Spike Intervals and CV2. Mean ± s.e.m. (WT n=5 and KO n=4 mice; Mann Whitney test; Mean Firing Rate: P=0.2857; CV: P=0.4127; CV2: P=0.5373).
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- **Figure 1-source data :** Numerical data to support graphs in Figure 1
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- 1394Figure 2. Susd4 loss-of-function leads to deficient long-term depression and facilitated long-1395term potentiation of parallel fiber/Purkinje cell synapses.
- (A) Quantitative analysis of the morphology of parallel fiber presynaptic boutons immunolabeled by an anti-VGLUT1 antibody (red) in Purkinje cells (anti-CABP, blue).
 Quantifications of the density and the area of the VGLUT1 clusters did not reveal any difference between *Susd4* KO and *Susd4* WT mice. Mean ± s.e.m. (WT n=5 and KO n=7 mice; VGLUT1 clusters density: Mann-Whitney test, P>0.9999; area VGLUT1 clusters: Unpaired Student t-test, P=0.3089). Scale bars: 30 µm (left) and 10 µm (right).
- (B) Diagram of the setup for patch-clamp recordings (REC) of Purkinje cells in 300 μm-thick
 parasagittal cerebellar slices. Parallel fiber and climbing fiber responses were elicited by
 electrical stimulation (STIM). ML: molecular layer; PCL: Purkinje cell layer; GCL: granule
 cell layer.
- 1406 (C) Input-output curve of the parallel fiber/Purkinje cell transmission. The amplitude of the 1407 elicited EPSCs increases with the intensity of the stimulus and is not significantly different 1408 between Susd4 KO and WT littermates. The fitted curves for each genotype are presented in 1409 the inset. Representative sample traces are presented. Mean \pm s.e.m. (WT n=18 cells from 8 1410 mice and KO n=16 cells from 6 mice; Kolmogorov-Smirnov test, P=0.8793). Short-term plasticity of parallel fiber/Purkinje cell synapses is not affected by Susd4 loss-of-function. 1411 Parallel fibers were stimulated twice at 50 ms interval and the paired-pulse ratio (PPR) was 1412 1413 calculated by dividing the amplitude of the second peak by the amplitude of the first peak. Mean \pm s.e.m. (WT n=21 cells from 8 mice and KO n=16 cells from 6 mice; Mann-Whitney 1414 1415 test, P=0.9052).
- 1416 (D) Climbing fiber-dependent parallel fiber/Purkinje cell synapse long-term depression (LTD) is 1417 impaired in the absence of Susd4 expression. LTD was induced by pairing stimulations of parallel fibers and climbing fibers at 100 milliseconds interval during 10 minutes at 0.5 Hz 1418 (see also Figure 2-figure supplement 1). The amplitude of the PF EPSC was measured 1419 1420 using two consecutive PF stimulation at 50 milliseconds interval. Representative sample 1421 traces are presented. Right: EPSC amplitudes from the last 10 minutes (purple) of recordings 1422 were used to calculate the LTD ratio relative to baseline. Mean \pm s.e.m. (WT n=16 cells from 11 mice and KO n=14 cells from 10 mice; Two-tailed Wilcoxon Signed Rank Test 1423 1424 with null hypothesis of 100: WT **p=0.0063; KO p=0.2676; Mann-Whitney test, WT vs 1425 KO *p=0.0476).
- 1426 (E) Loss-of-function of Susd4 facilitates parallel fiber/Purkinje cell synapse long-term potentiation (LTP). Tetanic stimulation of only parallel fibers at 0.3 Hz for 100 times (see 1427 also Figure 2-figure supplement 1) induced LTP in Susd4 KO Purkinje cells while 1428 1429 inducing only a transient increase in parallel fiber transmission in WT Purkinje cells. 1430 Representative sample traces are presented. Right: EPSC amplitudes from the last 7 minutes (purple) were used to calculate the LTP ratio relative to baseline. Mean \pm s.e.m. (WT n=13 1431 1432 cells from 9 mice and KO n=8 cells from 6 mice; Two-tailed Wilcoxon Signed Rank Test with null hypothesis of 100: WT p=0.5879; KO *p=0.0234; Mann-Whitney test, WT vs KO: 1433 1434 *p=0.0199).
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1438Figure 2-figure supplement 1. Parallel fiber (PF) /Purkinje cell (PC) synapse EPSCs1439kinetics, long-term plasticity induction protocols, paired-pulse facilitation ratio and1440delayed EPSC quanta.

- 1441 (A) Schematic representation of the recording location (internal lobule VIa of the vermis).
- (B) No change in the rise time and decay of Parallel fiber/Purkinje cell EPSCs was induced by Susd4 deletion. Mean \pm s.e.m. (WT n=21 cells from 8 mice and KO n=16 cells from 6 mice; Rise time: unpaired Student's t-test, P=0.4570; Decay time: Mann Whitney test, P=0.7276).
- 1445 (C) Parallel fiber long-term depression (LTD) induction protocol.
- (D) Paired-pulse ratio (A2/A1) during LTD measured at 20 Hz. Mean ± s.e.m. (WT n=16 cells from 11 mice and KO n=14 cells from 10 mice; two-way ANOVA with repeated measures, Interaction (time and genotype): P=0.9935, F(39, 1092)=0.5222).
- 1449 (E) Parallel fiber long-term potentiation (LTP) induction protocol.
- (F) Paired-pulse ratio (A2/A1) during LTP measured at 20Hz. Mean ± s.e.m. (WT n=13 cells from 9 mice and KO n=8 cells from 6 mice, two-way ANOVA with repeated measures, Interaction (time and genotype): P=0.9366, F(39, 741)=0.6745).
- 1453 (G) Delayed PF-EPSC quanta were evoked by PF stimulation in the presence of strontium (Sr^{++}) instead of calcium (Ca^{++}) to induce desynchronization of fusion events. 1454 1455 Representative sample traces are presented. The cumulative probability for the amplitude 1456 shows no difference with Susd4 loss-of-function. The individual frequency values for each cell (measured as interevent interval) present no differences between the genotypes. No 1457 1458 change in the time to peak and in the rise time of PF/PC synapse delayed EPSC quanta was 1459 induced by Susd4 deletion. Mean \pm s.e.m. (WT n=8 cells from 6 mice and KO n=8 cells from 5 mice; Amplitude: Kolmogorov-Smirnov distribution test, P=0.1667; Frequency: 1460 Mann Whitney test, P=0.1913; Time to peak: Mann Whitney test, P=0.6454; Rise time 10% 1461 to 90%: unpaired Student's t-test, P=0.6486). 1462
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Figure 3. Transmission at the Climbing fiber/Purkinje cell synapses is increased in *Susd4* knockout mice.

- 1469 (A) Climbing fiber presynaptic boutons were immunostained with an anti-VGLUT2 antibody in 1470 cerebellar sections from P30 WT and Susd4 KO mice. The extension of the climbing fiber territory was calculated by measuring the extent of the VGLUT2 (red) labeling relative to 1471 1472 the height of the Purkinje cell dendritic tree (immunostained using an anti-CABP antibody, 1473 blue). Quantification of the mean density of VGLUT2 puncta and their mean area showed 1474 no differences between Susd4 KO mice and their control littermates. Mean \pm s.e.m. (WT 1475 n=5 and KO n=7 mice; VGLUT2 extension: Mann-Whitney test, P=0.6389; VGLUT2 area: 1476 Unpaired Student t-test, p=0.4311; VGLUT2 density: Unpaired Student t-test, p=0.8925). Scale bars: 30 µm (left) and 10 µm (right). 1477
- 1478 (B) Short-term synaptic plasticity of climbing fiber/Purkinje cell synapses was elicited by two 1479 consecutive stimulations at various intervals. The amplitude of the climbing fiber elicited 1480 EPSC was increased in Susd4 KO mice compared to WT littermates. (WT n=26 cells, 9 mice and KO n=26 cells, 7 mice, Mann-Whitney test, ** P=0.0066). No difference in the 1481 1482 paired pulse ratios (PPR) was detected at any interval between Susd4 KO mice and WT 1483 mice. Representative sample traces are presented. See also Figure 3-figure supplement 1. 1484 Mean \pm s.e.m. (WT n=12 cells from 3 mice and KO n=17 cells from 5 mice; Kolmogorov-1485 Smirnov test, P=0.4740).
- (C) Delayed CF-EPSC quanta were evoked by CF stimulation in the presence of Sr^{++} instead of 1486 1487 Ca⁺⁺ to induce desynchronization of fusion events. Representative sample traces are 1488 presented. The cumulative probability for the amplitude of the events together with the individual amplitude values for each event show an increased amplitude associated with 1489 1490 Susd4 loss-of-function. The individual frequency values for each cell (measured as 1491 interevent interval, IEI) present no differences between the genotypes. See also Figure 3figure supplement 1. Mean \pm s.e.m. (WT n=10 cells from 6 mice and KO n=8 cells from 3 1492 mice; Amplitude: Kolmogorov-Smirnov distribution test, *** P<0.0001; Frequency: Mann 1493 1494 Whitney test, P=0.6334).
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1496 Figure 3-figure supplement 1. Characteristics of the climbing fiber/Purkinje cell synapse.

- (A) Climbing fibers were visualized in *Susd4* WT and KO mice crossed with Htr5b-eGFP
 reporter mice expressing the green fluorescent protein specifically in inferior olivary
 neurons. Anti-GFP and anti-CABP (to visualize Purkinje cells) immunofluorescence was
 performed on parasagittal sections of P30 mice, and showed no qualitative differences in the
 absence of *Susd4* expression. Scale bar: 10 µm.
- (B) Patch-clamp recordings of Purkinje cells showed a similar percentage of mono- (1 climbing fiber) and multi-innervation (>1 climbing fibers) of Purkinje cells in P30 *Susd4* KO and WT mice, as measured by the number of steps elicited by electrical stimulation of the climbing fibers. (WT n=26 cells from 9 mice and KO n=26 cells from 7 mice; Chi-square test, P=0.5520).
- (C) No change in the rise and decay times of climbing fiber/Purkinje cell EPSCs was induced by *Susd4* deletion. Mean ± s.e.m. (WT n=26 cells from 9 mice and KO n=26 cells from 7 mice; Rise time: unpaired Student's t-test, P=0.3750; Decay time: Mann Whitney test, P=0.7133).

- (D) No change in the time to peak and in the rise time of CF/PC synapse delayed EPSC quanta was induced by *Susd4* loss-of-function. Mean ± s.e.m. (WT n=10 cells from 6 mice and KO n=8 cells from 3 mice; Time to peak: unpaired Student's t-test, P=0.1692; Rise time 10% to 90%: Mann Whitney test, P=0.0639).
- (E) Climbing fiber/Purkinje cell transmission was monitored during LTD induction in currentclamp mode. Representative traces of the CF-EPSP are shown. The quantification of the number of spikelets (spikes induced by repeated CF stimulation (Mathy et al., 2009; Titley et al., 2019)) did not reveal any difference between WT and KO Purkinje cells (unpaired Student's t-test, P=0.5791). Bottom: Measurements of the CF-EPSP area and hyperpolarization area during the LTD induction protocol. Mean ± s.e.m. (WT n=16 cells from 11 mice and KO n=14 cells from 10 mice).
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1526 Figure 4. Loss of SUSD4 leads to misregulation of the AMPA receptor subunit GluA2.

- 1527 (A) The number of GluA2 clusters (anti-GluA2 immunolabeling, green) per climbing fiber presynaptic bouton (anti-VGLUT2 immunolabeling, red) and their intensity were quantified 1528 in cerebellar sections of juvenile Susd4^{-/-} KO mice and Susd4^{+/+} WT littermates. Cumulative 1529 plot for the mean GluA2 intensity per VGLUT2 bouton shows no significant change 1530 1531 between WT and KO. The distribution of the VGLUT2 boutons according to the number of 1532 associated GluA2 clusters is significantly different between WT and KO. Mean \pm s.e.m. 1533 (WT n= 5 and KO n= 5 mice; Intensity: Kolmogorov-Smirnov test, P=0.5009; Distribution: Chi-square contingency test, **** P<0.0001). Scale bars: 30 µm (top) and 15 µm (bottom). 1534
- 1535 (B) Activity-dependent changes in surface localization of GluA2 was studied in cerebellar acute 1536 slices from Susd4 KO mice and control Susd4 WT littermates using a chemical LTD 1537 protocol (cLTD; K-Glu: K⁺ 50mM and glutamate 10µM for 5 minutes followed by 30 1538 minutes of recovery). Surface biotinvlation of GluA2 subunits was performed followed by 1539 affinity-purification of biotinylated GluA2 subunits and anti-GluA2 immunoblot analysis. 1540 The fraction of biotinylated GluA2 was obtained by measuring the levels of biotinylated 1541 GluA2 in affinity-purified samples and total GluA2 normalized to beta-actin in input 1542 samples for each condition. The ratios between the fraction of biotinylated GluA2 after 1543 cLTD and control conditions are represented. Mean \pm s.e.m. (n=8 independent experiments; 1544 Two-tailed Student's one sample t-test was performed on the ratios with a null hypothesis of 1545 1, $P_{WT} = 0.0212$ and $P_{KO} = 0.0538$).
- 1546 (C) Activity-dependent degradation of GluA2 was assessed in cerebellar acute slices from Susd4 1547 KO and control mice after induction of chemical LTD (cLTD; K-Glu: K⁺ 50mM and 1548 glutamate 10µM for 5 minutes followed by 30 minutes of recovery). This degradation was absent when slices were incubated with 100µg/mL leupeptin and with 50µM MG132 (to 1549 1550 inhibit lysosomal and proteasome degradation, respectively), or when slices were obtained 1551 from Susd4 KO mice. Band intensities of GluA2 were normalized to β-ACTIN. The ratios 1552 between levels with cLTD induction (K-Glu) and without cLTD induction (CTL) are 1553 represented. See also Figure Figure 4-figure supplement 1. Mean \pm s.e.m. (n=8) 1554 independent experiments; Two-tailed Student's one sample t-test was performed on the ratios with a null hypothesis of 1, $P_{WT} = 0.0107$, $P_{WT+Leu/MG132} = 0.3755$, $P_{KO} = 0.3176$ and 1555 1556 $P_{KO+Leu/MG132} = 0.2338$).
- (D) Purkinje cells from primary cerebellar cultures of L7-Cre mice were transduced at 3 days in vitro (DIV3) with a virus driving expression of HA-tagged SUSD4 (AAV2-hSYN-DIO-HA-SUSD4-2A-eGFP) and immunolabeled at DIV17 in non-permeabilizing conditions to localize surface SUSD4 (anti-HA, red) and surface GluA2 subunits (anti-GluA2, blue). Direct green fluorescent protein is shown (GFP, green). Right panels are binarized images of the anti-HA and anti-GluA2 immunolabelings and of the colocalization of these signals (maximum projection of a 1.8 µm z-stack). Scale bar: 5 µm.
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Figure 4-figure supplement 1. Basal surface GluA2 levels and total GluA2 and GluD2 levels after modulation of SUSD4 expression.

- (A) Surface GluA2 levels (relative to normalized GluA2 input) in basal conditions were not different on average in acute cerebellar slices from *Susd4* KO when compared to slices from WT mice.
- 1570 **(B)** and **(C)** Total protein levels (normalized to βACTIN) of GluA2 **(B)** and GluD2 **(C)** were 1571 not changed in acute cerebellar slices from WT or *Susd4* KO mice in basal conditions.

- Mean ± s.e.m. (n=8 independent experiments; unpaired Student's t-test; GluA2: P=0.5424;
 GluD2: P=0.6821).
- (D)Cerebellar acute slices from control WT and Susd4 KO mice were incubated to induce 1574 1575 chemical LTD (cLTD; K-Glu: K^+ 50mM and glutamate 10 μ M for 5min followed by 30min of recovery). Slices were incubated with 100µg/mL leupeptin and with 50µM MG132 (to 1576 inhibit lysosomal and proteasome degradation, respectively). Band intensities of GluD2 1577 1578 were normalized to BACTIN. The ratios between levels with cLTD induction (K-Glu) and 1579 without cLTD induction (CTL) are represented. Mean \pm s.e.m. (n=8 independent 1580 experiments; two-tailed Student's one sample t-test was performed on the ratios with a null 1581 hypothesis of 1, $P_{WT} = 0.4973$, $P_{WT+Leu/MG132} = 0.1433$, $P_{KO} = 0.3143$, $P_{KO+Leu/MG132} = 0.9538$, 1582 n.s.= not significant).
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1584 Figure 4-figure supplement 2. HA-SUSD4 and the AMPA receptor subunit GluA2.

- (A) SUSD4 interaction with GluA2 was assessed by co-immunoprecipitation using HEK293 cells transfected with SEP-GluA2 together with PVRL3α as a control or HA-SUSD4. Affinity-purification was performed with an anti-GFP antibody and extracts were probed for co-immunoprecipitation of GluA2 (with an anti-GluA2 antibody) and of HA-SUSD4 (anti-HA antibody) or PVRL3α (anti- PVRL3α antibody). βACTIN was used as a loading control. Representative of N=3 independent experiments.
- (B) Mouse hippocampal neurons were transfected at 13 days *in vitro* (DIV13) with a GFPtagged SUSD4 construct and immunostained at DIV17 for green fluorescent protein (GFP,
 green) to localize SUSD4 and for the endogenous GluA2 subunit (anti-GluA2, red). The
 arrowheads indicate the spines containing SUSD4 and GluA2. Scale bar: 10 μm.
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1599 Figure 5. SUSD4 binds NEDD4 ubiquitin ligases, known regulators of AMPA receptor

1600 turnover and degradation.

- 1601 (A) Mass spectrometry identification of SUSD4 interactors. Left: Affinity-purification from 1602 cerebellar synaptosomes was performed using either GFP-SUSD4 as a bait or GFP as a control. Proteins were then resolved using SDS-PAGE followed by immunoblot for anti-1603 GFP and coomassie staining of proteins. Right: Gene Ontology (GO) enrichment analysis 1604 1605 network (Molecular Function category) of the 28 candidate proteins (Cytoscape plugin 1606 ClueGO) identified after affinity-purification of cerebellar synaptosomes using GFP-SUSD4 as a bait followed by LC MS/MS. The Ubiquitin ligase activity term is significantly enriched 1607 1608 in particular due to the identification of several members of the NEDD4 family of HECTubiquitin ligase. See also Table 1. (n=3 independent experiments). 1609
- 1610(B) Immunoblot confirmation of SUSD4 interaction with NEDD4 ubiquitin ligases. Affinity-
purification from cerebellar synaptosomes was performed using either full length HA-
SUSD4, HA-SUSD4 ΔC_T or GFP as a bait. Proteins were then resolved using SDS-PAGE
followed by immunoblot for NEDD4, ITCH, WWP1 or HA-SUSD4 (anti-HA). Full-length
SUSD4 (HA-tagged, HA-SUSD4) interacts with all three members of the NEDD4 family.
This interaction is lost when the C-terminal tail of SUSD4 is deleted (HA-SUSD4 ΔC_T) or
when GFP is used instead of SUSD4 as a control.
- 1617 (C) Schematic representation of HA-tagged SUSD4 and different mutant constructs: $SUSD4\Delta C_T$ 1618 (lacking the cytoplasmic tail), $SUSD4\Delta N_T$ (lacking the extracellular domain), $SUSD4N_T$ 1619 (lacking the transmembrane and intracellular domains), $SUSD4\Delta PY$ (point mutation of the 1620 PPxY site), $SUSD4\Delta LY$ (point mutation of the LPxY) and $SUSD4\Delta PY/LY$ (double mutant 1621 at both PPxY and LPxY).
- 1622 (D) SUSD4 interaction with GluA2 and NEDD4 was assessed by co-immunoprecipitation using 1623 HEK293 cells transfected with SEP-GluA2 together with PVRL3a as a control or one of the HA-SUSD4 constructs represented in (C). Affinity-purification was performed with an anti-1624 1625 HA antibody and extracts were probed for co-immunoprecipitation of GluA2 (with an anti-GluA2 antibody) and of the HECT ubiquitin ligase NEDD4 (anti-NEDD4 antibody). Co-1626 1627 immunoprecipitated GluA2 levels are normalized to input GluA2 and then represented as relative to the immunoprecipitated levels for each SUSD4 construct. N=3 independent 1628 1629 experiments.
- 1630 (E) Potential interactors of SUSD4 control several parameters of AMPA receptor turnover. Three different pools of AMPA receptors are found in dendrites and spines: synaptic, 1631 1632 extrasynaptic and intracellular. AMPA receptors are synthetized and delivered close to the 1633 synaptic spine to reach the synaptic surface. At the surface, AMPA receptors can move laterally (lateral diffusion) or vertically by endocytosis and exocytosis. Endocytosis can be 1634 mediated by clathrin (CM-endocytosis) or be clathrin-independent (CI-endocytosis). CM-1635 1636 endocytosis is often related to activity-dependent processes. After endocytosis, AMPA receptors can choose between two different pathways from the early endosomes, one for 1637 1638 recycling and the other for degradation. Potential molecular partners of SUSD4 identified by 1639 our proteomics analysis could regulate AMPA receptor turnover at several levels of this 1640 cycle (in red).
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1642 Figure 5-figure supplement 1. Expression of HECT ubiquitin ligases in adult mouse brain.

- (A) Schematic representation of four SUSD4 interactors: NEDD4, NEDD4L, ITCH and
 WWP1. Legends: N_T, N-terminus; HECT, Homologous to the E6-AP C-terminus domain;
 C_T, C-terminus.
- 1646 (**B**) Pattern of expression of *Nedd4* (RP_050712_03_C08),
- 1647 (C) *Nedd4l* (RP_040625_01_G10),
- 1648 **(D)** *Itch* (RP_050222_01_H06) and
- 1649 (E) *Wwp1* (RP_050510_02_E12) mRNA in the adult mouse brain. From Allen Brain Atlas (www.brain-map.org).
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Figure 5-figure supplement 2. Total protein levels in HEK293 cells transfected with SEP GluA2 and different SUSD4 mutant constructs (related to Figures 5C and 5D)

1654 HEK293 cells were transfected with SEP-GluA2 together with PVRL3α as a control or one of

1655 the HA-SUSD4 constructs for coimmunoprecipitation experiments. Input extracts were probed

- 1656 for GluA2 (with an anti-GluA2 antibody), the HECT ubiquitin ligase NEDD4 (anti-NEDD4
- 1657 antibody), and the HA-tagged SUSD4 constructs (anti-HA antibody). βACTIN was used as a
- 1658 loading control. Representative image of N=3 independent experiments. Quantifications
- 1659 represent the GluA2 or HA band intensity normalized to the intensity of the β ACTIN band.
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UniProtKB	Protein Name	Gene	Mol. weight	Unique	MS/MS	Enrichment
	F2 ubiquitin protain ligasa NEDD4 lika	Nadd41	[KDa]	28	210	150 5
Q8C110	Sushi domain containing protain 4	Neuu4i SusdA	52 706	20 1	07	139.3
Q8D1132	NEDD4 like E2 ubiquitin protain ligase WWP1	Wwp1	104.60	4	97	40.3
$Q_{0}D_{2}L_{3}$	F2 ubiquitin protein ligase Itahy	Wwp1 Itch	08 002	24	90	43
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QUDPC3	A D 2 complex subunit beta	Dnps An2bl	40,042	9	01 47	40.5
Q9DB03	Ar-2 complex subuint deta	Ap201 Usd17b8	104,38	9	4/	25.5
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	Bela-affestin-1	Arrbi	40,972	4	23	11.5
Q91WC3	Long-chain-fatty-acidCoA ligase 6	Acsio	/8,016	11	10	11
P2/546	Microtubule-associated protein 4	Map4	11/,43	9	18	9
Q505F5	Leucine-rich repeat-containing protein 4/	Lrrc47	63,589	9	17	8.5
Q9Z2H5	Band 4.1-like protein 1	Epb4111	98,314	8	17	8.5
P46935	E3 ubiquitin-protein ligase NEDD4	Nedd4	102,71	7	17	8.5
Q8BMK4	Cytoskeleton-associated protein 4	Ckap4	63,691	11	16	8
P47708	Rabphilin-3A	Rph3a	75,488	7	15	7.5
P42128	Forkhead box protein K1	Foxkl	74,919	6	15	7.5
P62812	Gamma-aminobutyric acid receptor subunit alpha-1	Gabra1	51,753	7	14	7
Q60737	Casein kinase II subunit alpha	Csnk2a1	45,133	7	13	6.5
Q99KV1	DnaJ homolog subfamily B member 11	Dnajb11	40,555	5	10	5
P63037	DnaJ homolog subfamily A member 1	Dnaja1	44,868	4	10	5
Q9QY76	Septin-11	Sept11	49,694	5	9	4.5
O70318	Band 4.1-like protein 2	Epb41l2	109,94	6	8	4
P62196	26S protease regulatory subunit 8	Psmc5	45,626	5	8	4
Q9Z2Q6	Septin-5	Sept5	42,747	4	8	4

Table 1. List of SUSD4 interactors. Proteomic identification of SUSD4 interacting partners affinity-purified from synaptosomes1663extracts using GFP-SUSD4 as a bait (≥ 2 unique peptides; enrichment factor ≥ 4).



A P0



C P30





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A Susd4 131697 bp



Footprint Test



0.0





KO



0

KO

WT



















B Climbing fiber/Purkinje cell synapse EPSC



 ${f C}$ Climbing Fiber Synapse: Delayed EPSC quanta





(ms)

WТ KO

KO

WT

Long Term Depression induction (Current Clamp)





Cultured Purkinje Cells infected with AAV2-hSYN-DIO-HA-SUSD4-2A-eGFP



Binary Images

A







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Normalized GluA2 input



Normalized HA inputs



Key Resources Table					
Reagent type (species) or resource	Designation	Source or reference	Identifiers	Additional information	
gene (<i>Mus</i> <i>musculus</i>)	Susd4	NCBI	Gene ID: 96935	chr1:182,764,8 95-182,896,591	
Strain (<i>Mus</i> <i>musculus</i>)	<i>Susd4</i> knockout mice	Lexicon Genetics Incorporated, Tang et al, 2010	B6:129S5- Susd4 ^{tm1Lex}		
Strain (<i>Mus</i> <i>musculus</i>)	Htr5b-GFP mouse line	Gene Expression Nervous System Atlas (GENSAT) Project	STOCK Tg(Htr5b- EGFP)BZ265Gs at/Mmmh		
Strain (<i>Mus</i> <i>musculus</i>)	L7Cre mouse line	Jackson Laboratories	B6.129- Tg(Pcp2- cre)2Mpin/J	Stock Number: 004146	
Cell line (<i>Homo sapiens</i>)	HEK293H	Gibco	Cat. #: 11631- 017		
Cell line (<i>Homo sapiens</i>)	HeLA	Sigma	Cat. #: 93021013		
antibody	mouse monoclonal anti-CABP	Swant	Cat. #: 300	(1:1000)	
antibody	rabbit polyclonal anti-CABP	Swant	Cat. #: CB38	(1:1000)	

antibody	mouse monoclonal anti-GFP	Abcam	Cat. #: ab1218	(1:1000)
antibody	rabbit polyclonal anti-GFP	Abcam	Cat. #: ab6556	(1:1000)
antibody	mouse monoclonal anti-GLUA2, clone 6C4	Millipore and BD	Cat. #: MAB397 and Cat. #: 556341	(1:500)
antibody	rabbit monoclonal anti-GLUA2	Abcam	Cat. #: ab206293	(1:1000)
antibody	rabbit polyclonal anti- GLURδ1/2	Millipore	Cat. #: AB2285	(1:1000)
antibody	rat monoclonal anti-HA	Roche Life	Cat. #: 11867423001	(1:1000)
antibody	rabbit monoclonal anti-ITCH	Cell Signaling Technology	Cat. #: 12117	(1:1000)
antibody	rabbit polyclonal anti-NEDD4	Millipore	Cat. #: 07-049	(1:100000)
antibody	guinea pig polyclonal anti-VGLUT1	Millipore	Cat. #: AB5905	(1:5000)
antibody	guinea pig polyclonal anti-VGLUT2	Millipore	Cat. #: AB2251	(1:5000)

antibody	rabbit polyclonal anti-WWP1	Proteintech	Cat. #: 13587- 1-AP	(1:2000)
antibody	donkey polyclonal anti-Goat Alexa Fluor 568	Invitrogen	Cat. #: A11057	(1:1000)
antibody	donkey anti- Mouse Alexa Fluor 488	Invitrogen	Cat. #: R37114	(1:1000)
antibody	donkey polyclonal anti-Mouse Alexa Fluor 568	Invitrogen	#A10037	(1:1000)
antibody	donkey polyclonal anti-Rabbit Alexa Fluor 488	Invitrogen	Cat. #: A21206	(1:1000)
antibody	donkey polyclonal anti-Rat Alexa Fluor 594	Invitrogen	#A21209	(1:1000)
antibody	donkey polyclonal anti-Rat Alexa Fluor 568	Abcam	Cat. #: 175475	(1:1000)
antibody	goat polyclonal anti-Guinea Pig Alexa Fluor 488	Invitrogen	Cat. #: A110-73	(1:1000)
antibody	goat polyclonal anti-Guinea Pig Alexa Fluor 647	Invitrogen	Cat. #: A21450	(1:1000)
antibody	goat polyclonal anti-Mouse HRP	Jackson Immune Research Laboratories	Cat. #: 115- 035-174	(1:10000)
antibody	goat polyclonal anti-rat HRP	Jackson Immune Research Laboratories	#112-035-175	(1:10000)

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antibody	sheep polyclonal anti- digoxigenin alkaline phosphatase	Roche Life Science	Cat. #: 11093274910	(1:2000 - 1:5000)
antibody	mouse monoclonal anti-βACTIN HRP, clone AC-15	Abcam	Cat. #: ab49900	(1:25000)
recombinant DNA reagent	pHA-SUSD4- GFP	This paper		From pEGFP- N1 (Addgene, Cat. #: 6085- 1)
recombinant DNA reagent	pHA-SUSD4	This paper		
recombinant DNA reagent	pHA-SUSD4- ΔΝ _T	This paper		
recombinant DNA reagent	pHA-SUSD4- N⊤	This paper		
recombinant DNA reagent	HA-SUSD4- ΔΡΥ	This paper		
recombinant DNA reagent	HA-SUSD4- ΔLY	This paper		
recombinant DNA reagent	HA-SUSD4- ΔΡΥ/LΥ	This paper		
recombinant DNA reagent	pIRES2- eGFP	Addgene	Cat. #: 6029-1	
recombinant DNA reagent	pCAG- PVRL3α	This paper		From pCAG- mGFP (Addgene, Cat. #: 14757
sequenced-based reagent	Susd4_WT_F	This paper	PCR primers	CTG TGG TTT CAA CTG GCG CTG TG

sequenced-based reagent	Susd4_WT_R	This paper	PCR primers	GCT GCC GGT GGG TGT GCG AAC CTA
sequenced-based reagent	Susd4_KO_F	This paper	PCR primers	TTG GCG GTT TCG CTA AAT AC
sequenced-based reagent	Susd4_KO_R	This paper	PCR primers	GGA GCT CGT TAT CGC TAT GAC
sequenced-based reagent	Htr5b-GFP_F		PCR primers	TTG GCG CGC CTC CAA CAG GAT GTT AAC AAC
sequenced-based reagent	Htr5b-GFP_R		PCR primers	CGC CCT CGC CGG ACA CGC TGA AC
sequenced-based reagent	L7cre_1		PCR primers	GGT GAC GGT CAG TAA ATT GGA C
sequenced-based reagent	L7cre_2		PCR primers	CAC TTC TGA CTT GCA CTT TCC TTG G
sequenced-based reagent	L7cre_3		PCR primers	TTC TTC AAG CTG CCC AGC AGA GAG C
chemical compound, drug	picrotoxin	Sigma-aldrich	Cat. #: P1675	
chemical compound, drug	D-AP5	Tocris	Cat. #: 0106	
chemical compound, drug	CGP52432	Tocris	Cat. #: 1246	
chemical compound, drug	JNJ16259685	Tocris	Cat. #: 2333	

chemical compound, drug	DPCPX	Tocris	Cat. #: 0439	
chemical compound, drug	AM251	Tocris	Cat. #: 1117	
software, algorithm	Sinaptiqs	Antoine Valera	software written in Python	http://synaptiq s.wixsite.com/ synaptiqs
other	Hoechst 33342	Sigma	Cat. #: 14533	
Recombinant viral particles	hSYN-DIO- HA-SUSD4- 2A-eGFP- WPRE	Vector biolabs	AAV2 particles	