

## Supporting information

**S1 Table Table of model parameters.** Table splits into parameters taken from previous computational modeling studies and additional parameters for synaptic specificity.

parameters taken from [1]	value	value in [2]
Volume fraction	0.21	identical
Eff. diffusion constant	$322 \mu\text{m}^2/\text{s}$	identical
Terminal density	$0.104 \mu\text{m}^{-3}$	-
Terminals per axon	370000	-
Release probability	6 %	-
Molecules released	3000	9800
Uptake parameter $V_{max}$	$4.1 \mu\text{M}/\text{s}$	identical
Uptake parameter $K_m$	$0.21 \mu\text{M}$	identical
EC50-D1R	$1.0 \mu\text{M}$	identical
EC50-D2R	$0.01 \mu\text{M}$	identical
Tonic firing frequency	4 Hz	-
additional parameters	value	Reference
Distance pre- to post-synapse	$0.015 \mu\text{m}$	[3]
Diameter synaptic cleft	$0.3 \mu\text{m}$	[3]
Proportion non-syn. terminals	0.65	[4]

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