

5                    **Transneuronal Dpr12/DIP- $\delta$  interactions facilitate  
                         compartmentalized dopaminergic innervation  
                         of *Drosophila* mushroom body axons**

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## 25 **Summary**

The mechanisms controlling wiring of neuronal networks are largely unknown. The stereotypic architecture of the *Drosophila* mushroom-body (MB) offers a unique system to study circuit assembly. The adult medial MB  $\gamma$ -lobe is comprised of a long bundle of axons that wires with specific modulatory and output neurons in a tiled  
30 manner defining five distinct zones. We found that the immunoglobulin superfamily protein Dpr12 is cell-autonomously required in  $\gamma$ -neurons for their developmental regrowth into the distal  $\gamma$ 4/5 zones, where both Dpr12 and its interacting protein, DIP- $\delta$ , are enriched. DIP- $\delta$  functions in a subset of dopaminergic neurons that wire with  $\gamma$ -neurons within the  $\gamma$ 4/5 zone. During metamorphosis, these dopaminergic  
35 projections arrive to the  $\gamma$ 4/5 zone prior to  $\gamma$ -axons, suggesting that  $\gamma$ -axons extend through a prepatterned region. Thus, Dpr12/DIP- $\delta$  transneuronal interaction is required for  $\gamma$ 4/5 zone formation. Our study sheds light onto molecular and cellular mechanisms underlying circuit formation within subcellular resolution.

## 40 Introduction

The precise connectivity between neurons is crucial for the function of neural circuits in vertebrates and invertebrates. The formation of neural circuits is especially complex as it is a multi-step process that involves guidance of axons and dendrites belonging to distinct neurons, as well as the identification of subcellular zones on the target cell  
45 onto which synapses are formed. Despite its fundamental nature, the molecular and cellular mechanisms underlying development of neural circuits remain mostly poorly understood.

Given its unique development, connectivity and function, the *Drosophila* mushroom body (MB), offers an attractive model to study the mechanisms of neuronal circuit  
50 formation and maturation. The adult MB, implicated in associated learning (Fiala, 2007; Gerber et al., 2004; Heisenberg, 2003; Modi et al., 2020; Oswald and Waddell, 2015), is comprised of intrinsic as well as extrinsic neurons (Aso et al., 2014a; Tanaka et al., 2008). Intrinsic MB neurons are derived from four identical neuroblasts which sequentially give rise to three major classes of unipolar neurons:  $\gamma$ ,  $\alpha'/\beta'$  and  $\alpha/\beta$ , which  
55 are collectively known as Kenyon Cells (KCs). Axons from each KC type bundle together to form five MB lobes in the adult brain - the vertical  $\alpha$  and  $\alpha'$  lobes and the medial  $\gamma$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\beta'$  lobes (Figure 1A, Crittenden et al., 1998). KCs form well-defined circuits with MB extrinsic neurons, which include MB output neurons (MBONs) and modulatory neurons, mostly dopaminergic (DANs). The processes of MBONs and  
60 DANs innervate the MB lobes at distinct and stereotypic locations thereby forming discrete zones, which are also known as compartments (Due to a potential confusion between cell intrinsic compartments such as the axon initial segment, here we use the term zone to describe these lobe-compartments; Aso et al., 2014a; Tanaka et al., 2008). For example, the  $\gamma$ -lobe, which is comprised of  $\gamma$ -KC axons, is innervated by  
65 extrinsic neurons in five distinct axonal zones termed  $\gamma 1$ - $\gamma 5$ . Thus, each  $\gamma$ -zone is defined by stereotypic inputs from specific DANs and MBONs (Figure 1A). Each  $\gamma$ -axon extends throughout the entire lobe and forms synaptic boutons with different partners within each zone. Remarkably, a recent study has shown that boutons within the same KC, but in different zones, often exhibit distinct calcium dynamics (Bilz et al.,  
70 2020). Finally, these zones have distinct functional roles. DANs innervating the  $\gamma 1$ - $\gamma 2$  zones are associated with aversive memory, while DANs innervating the  $\gamma 4$ - $\gamma 5$  zones promote appetitive memory (Aso et al., 2014a; Cognigni et al., 2018; Cohn et al.,

2015). Despite the functional importance, the cellular and molecular mechanisms that control MB circuit and zone formation are not known.

75 The MB is attractive to study wiring of neural circuits not only due to its complex yet stereotypic nature, but also due to its multi-step development. The larval MB is primarily comprised of  $\gamma$ -KCs which form two axonal lobes (a vertical and medial  $\gamma$ -lobes). These are innervated by MBONs and DANs in distinct zones that are different from the adult pattern of zonation (Rohwedder et al., 2016; Saumweber et al., 2018). Subsequently, the  $\gamma$ -lobes undergo extensive remodeling during metamorphosis, including axon pruning followed by developmental regrowth, (Lee et al., 1999) (Figure 1B) to give rise to the adult medial  $\gamma$ -lobe containing the  $\gamma$ 1-5 zones (Figure 1A). We have previously demonstrated that regrowth of the adult  $\gamma$ -lobe is genetically controlled by the nuclear receptor Unfulfilled (UNF) functioning as  
80 a ligand dependent transcription factor by mechanisms distinct from initial axon outgrowth (Yaniv et al., 2012). Importantly, while we found that UNF promotes axon regrowth partly via the TOR pathway, it is yet unclear through which mechanisms it promotes targeting, circuitry and sub-zone formation. Here, we exploit detailed expression profile analyses to focus on the Immunoglobulin superfamily (IgSF)  
85 proteins as potential mediators of zone formation and circuit wiring within the  $\gamma$ 4/5 zones.  
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## Results

### Dpr12 is required for $\gamma$ neuron regrowth

95 To identify potential genes and pathways that mediate axon regrowth and circuit formation, we sequenced the RNA content of WT  $\gamma$ -KCs during development (Alyagor et al., 2018) alongside  $\gamma$ -KCs expressing RNAi targeting UNF, a known protein required for regrowth (Figure 1B). Supplementary Table 1 shows this comparison alongside the previously generated (Alyagor et al., 2018) expression  
100 profiles of  $\gamma$  neurons expressing a dominant negative form of the Ecdysone Receptor ( $\text{EcR}^{\text{DN}}$ ), which is required for pruning (Lee et al., 2000; data is freely available in: <https://www.weizmann.ac.il/mcb/Schuldiner/resources>). The immunoglobulin superfamily (IgSF) appeared as the protein family most significantly affected by UNF RNAi expression ( $p=3*10^{-29}$ ; analyzed in <http://www.flymine.org/>). Within the IgSF,

105 the Defective Proboscis Response (Dpr) family stood out as 16 of 21 members were significantly expressed in dynamic patterns in developing  $\gamma$ -KCs (Figure 1C, Supplementary Table 2). We found that the transcription of approximately half of the Dprs (7/16; supplemental Table 2) was significantly reduced in UNF-RNAi expressing flies. Interestingly, the interactions between the Dprs, containing two  
110 immunoglobulin (Ig) domains, and the Dpr Interacting Proteins (DIPs), containing three Ig domains, are important for proper development and synaptic connectivity of the *Drosophila* visual system and neuromuscular junction (NMJ, Ashley et al., 2019; Venkatasubramanian et al., 2019; Xu et al., 2018). Based on these data, we focused on the Dprs as potential candidates required for regrowth and circuit formation.

115 We therefore targeted 8 different Dprs in  $\gamma$ -KCs by RNAi (Figure S1A) based on reagent availability (TRiP lines, <https://fgr.hms.harvard.edu/fly-in-vivo-rnai>). Seven of these RNAi's did not affect  $\gamma$  neuron development. At this time we cannot conclude whether these Dprs are indeed not required for  $\gamma$ -KCs development or, alternatively, that the lack of phenotype is due to inherent redundancies of Dpr-DIP interactions  
120 (Cosmanescu et al., 2018). In contrast, expressing *dpr12* RNAi in  $\gamma$ -KCs induced a dramatic regrowth defect, where axons did not occupy the distal portion of the lobe (Figures 1D-E, S1A). Interestingly, the expression of *Dpr12* is dramatically reduced in neurons expressing UNF-RNAi at the relevant times for regrowth (Figures 1C, S1A, and Supplementary Table 2), suggesting that UNF might positively regulate  
125 *dpr12* transcription. These findings suggest that Dpr12 could promote developmental regrowth and circuit formation as a part of an UNF dependent transcriptional program.

To validate the RNAi results, we next perturbed Dpr12 through tissue specific (ts)CRISPR using Gal4 driven Cas9 expression (Meltzer et al., 2019; Port and  
130 Bullock, 2016; Port et al., 2020). tsCRISPR of *dpr12* in  $\gamma$ -KCs induced a defect closely resembling the RNAi phenotype (Figure 1F-G). Finally, we used CRISPR/Cas9 technology to generate a *dpr12* loss of function mutant (*dpr12* <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup>, Figure S1B-C). At 3<sup>rd</sup> instar larva (L3),  $\gamma$ -KCs in *dpr12* <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup> homozygotes exhibited WT morphology (Figure 1H, L) and subsequently pruned normally (data not shown).  
135 These data indicate that Dpr12 is not required for initial axon extension or pruning. In contrast,  $\gamma$ -KCs in *dpr12* <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup> animals failed to extend to the distal part of the lobe at 48h APF, a time when  $\gamma$ -axons would have normally completed their regrowth (Lee

et al., 1999; Rabinovich et al., 2016), and in adult (Figure 1I, J, M, N). Importantly,  $\gamma$ -specific expression of a *Dpr12* transgene significantly rescued the regrowth defect within *dpr12* <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup> homozygotes (Figure 1K, O, P, ranking examples shown in Figure S1D). These data demonstrate that *Dpr12* is required for axon regrowth during metamorphosis and that mutant  $\gamma$ -axons stop prematurely and do not extend into the distal end of the lobe.

#### 145 ***Dpr12* is cell autonomously required for $\gamma$ -axon regrowth into the $\gamma$ 4/5 zones**

To determine whether *Dpr12* functions in a cell-autonomous manner, we used the Mosaic Analysis with a Repressible Cell Marker (MARCM) technique to express *dpr12-RNAi* within neuroblast (NB) or single cell (SC) clones. We found that both NB and single  $\gamma$ -KC clones expressing *dpr12* RNAi exhibited normal growth at L3 but failed to fully extend axons at 48hr APF and in adult flies (Figure 2A-L). Based on these results, we conclude that *Dpr12* is cell-autonomously required in  $\gamma$ -KCs for their full developmental regrowth.

Interestingly, unlike other mutants that affect developmental regrowth (Yaniv et al., 2012; Yaniv et al., 2020) *dpr12* mutant axons seem to partially regrow but stop prematurely in a particular and stereotypic location along the lobe. Therefore, and given that the  $\gamma$ -lobe is divided into distinct zones, we next mapped the location of the premature stopping in more detail. We measured the length of adult WT and mutant axons relative to the  $\gamma$ -lobe span and superimposed these data onto the  $\gamma$ -lobe zones (Figures 2M, S2), as defined by distinct innervations of MBONs and DANs (Aso et al., 2014a; Shuai et al., 2015). This analysis indicated that the premature stopping of clones expressing *dpr12* RNAi correlates with the border between the  $\gamma$ 3 and  $\gamma$ 4 zones (Figures 2I', L', N, Supplemental movies 1-2).

Interestingly, we found that approximately 70% of SC clones stopped at the  $\gamma$ 3/4 border, while the remaining clones extended to the end of the lobe (Figure 2N). Since axon stalled at a discrete location, our data suggest that the phenotype does not arise from reduced growth potential, *per se*, but rather through a failure to recognize a molecular signal at a designated and stereotypic location. We conclude that *Dpr12* is cell-autonomously required for  $\gamma$ -KC projection into the MB  $\gamma$ 4/5 zones.

## 170 **Dpr12 and its putative interacting protein DIP- $\delta$ localize at the $\gamma$ 4/5 zones**

To assess Dpr12 protein localization, we used the *Minos* Mediated Integration Cassette transgene collection to generate a GFP insertion within the endogenous *Dpr12* locus, which should produce a Dpr12-GFP fusion protein (Dpr12GFSTF; Figure S1B-C; Nagarkar-Jaiswal et al., 2015). We found that Dpr12-GFP localized to the distal part of  $\gamma$ -axons at late larva (L3; Figure 3A), then becoming diffuse at 24hr APF, when  $\gamma$ -axons initiate their developmental regrowth (Figure 3B). Finally, at 48h APF and in adulthood, Dpr12 relocated to the distal part of the lobe (Figure 3C-D) and was restricted to the adult  $\gamma$ 4 and  $\gamma$ 5 zones (Figure 3D). Our data suggest that Dpr12 is expressed at the right time and place to mediate  $\gamma$ -axon regrowth into the  $\gamma$ 4/ $\gamma$ 5 zones.

Dprs can form heterophilic interactions with DIPs in a rather promiscuous fashion, in which most Dprs can bind to multiple DIPs and most DIPs can bind to multiple Dprs (Carrillo et al., 2015; Cosmanescu et al., 2018; Ozkan et al., 2013). Interestingly, Dpr12 and DIP- $\delta$  represent a unique case of 'monogamous' binding. We found that DIP- $\delta$ -GFP (DIP- $\delta$ <sup>GFSTF</sup>; Figure S3A-B) localized, similarly to Dpr12, to the  $\gamma$ 4/5 zones (Figure 3H). However, in contrast to Dpr12, DIP- $\delta$  was localized to the distal MB lobe at all developmental timepoints tested (Figure 3E-H), including at 24hr APF, when  $\gamma$ -axons are completely pruned and have not yet extended (Figure 3F). Taken together, these data indicate that DIP- $\delta$  is localized to  $\gamma$ 4/ $\gamma$ 5 zones throughout development and is expressed in cells that project to this region before  $\gamma$ -KCs reach their terminal projections.

## **DIP- $\delta$ is non-cell autonomously required for $\gamma$ -axon regrowth**

We next asked whether DIP- $\delta$  is also required for the extension of  $\gamma$ -axons into the  $\gamma$ 4/5 zones. We therefore both generated and obtained *DIP- $\delta$*  mutant alleles (*DIP- $\delta$ <sup>T2A-Gal4</sup>*, *DIP- $\delta$ <sup>1-119</sup>*, respectively; Figure S3A-B). We marked the  $\gamma$ -KCs by expressing a membrane bound Tomato (QUAS-mtdT-3XHA) driven by the Gal4-independent  $\gamma$ -KC specific QF2 driver (71G10-QF2). At L3,  $\gamma$ -KCs within *DIP- $\delta$*  mutant brains exhibited WT morphology (Figure 4A, E, S3C), indicating that DIP- $\delta$  is not required for their initial axon extension. However, *DIP- $\delta$*  mutant brains displayed a  $\gamma$ -axon regrowth defect at 48hr APF, and in adult (Figure 4B, C, F, G, Figure S3D)

which resembled the *dpr12* mutant phenotype. To confirm that *DIP-δ* loss-of-function induced this  $\gamma$ -axon regrowth defect, we exploited the fact that the *DIP-δ*<sup>T2A-Gal4</sup> allele also expresses Gal4 in *DIP-δ*<sup>+</sup> neurons (Figure S3A-B). Expressing *DIP-δ* transgene  
205 driven by *DIP-δ*<sup>T2A-Gal4</sup> rescued the  $\gamma$ -axon extension defect (Figure 4D, H, I, S3E) confirming that *DIP-δ* is required for  $\gamma$ -axon innervation of the  $\gamma$ 4/5 zones.

To identify these *DIP-δ* expressing cells, we expressed *DIP-δ* RNAi in different cell types, while simultaneously labeling  $\gamma$ -KCs using the QF2 system described above. Driving the expression of *DIP-δ*-RNAi in all glia (using the Pan-glial driver Repo-  
210 Gal4) or all KCs (using OK107-Gal4) did not affect  $\gamma$ -axon extension (Figure S4A-B). In contrast, knocking down of *DIP-δ* in all neurons (using the pan-neuronal driver C155-Gal4) or all *DIP-δ* expressing neurons (using *DIP-δ*<sup>T2A-Gal4</sup>) resulted in stalled  $\gamma$ -axons that do not innervate the  $\gamma$ 4/5 zones (Figure S4C-D). Similarly, tsCRISPR of  
215 *DIP-δ* in all neurons, but not when restricted to  $\gamma$  neurons, affected the extension of  $\gamma$ -axons (Figure S4E-H). Together, these experiments indicate that *DIP-δ* is not required in  $\gamma$  or other KCs. Rather, *DIP-δ* likely functions in extrinsic MB neurons in a non-cell autonomous manner to mediate the  $\gamma$ -axon extension into the  $\gamma$ 4/5 zones.

### **A subpopulation of DANs express *DIP-δ* in the $\gamma$ 4/ $\gamma$ 5 zones**

220 Our data suggest that *DIP-δ* is expressed in extrinsic MB neurons that innervate the  $\gamma$ 4/ $\gamma$ 5 zones (Figures 3,4). These zones are strongly innervated by the Protocerebral Anterior Medial (PAM) neurons, a population of about 100 DANs, as well as by specific groups of MBONs (Aso et al., 2014a; Tanaka et al., 2008). To investigate whether *DIP-δ* is expressed in these cells, we selectively ablated PAM-DANs or  
225 MBONs by cell type specific expression of Diphtheria toxin (UAS-DTI) and assayed *DIP-δ*-GFP localization in adult flies. Ablating one of the  $\gamma$ 4 MBONs (MBON- $\gamma$ 4> $\gamma$ 1 $\gamma$ 2) did not affect *DIP-δ* expression (Figure 5A-B). In contrast, ablating PAM DANs using R58E02-Gal4 drastically reduced  $\gamma$ 4/5 specific *DIP-δ* expression (Figure 5C-D). While we cannot exclude the possibility that *DIP-δ* is additionally expressed in  
230 the other  $\gamma$ 4 MBON (MBON- $\gamma$ 4 $\gamma$ 5), these results strongly suggest that at the adult stage, *DIP-δ* protein that is localized to the  $\gamma$ 4/5 compartments is mainly, if not exclusively, expressed by PAM DANs, consistent with recent profiling experiments (Croset et al., 2018).



Next, we visualized PAM-DANs during development to determine if they may provide  
235 a template for  $\gamma$ -axon growth, as suggested by DIP- $\delta$ -GFP expression (Figure 3).  
Since the 'classical' PAM driver, R58E02, is not expressed throughout development  
(Figure S5A-C, and data not shown), we analyzed the expression of *DIP- $\delta$ <sup>T2A-Gal4</sup>*  
(Figure S5D-F) and then used the MARCM technique to label sparse *DIP- $\delta$ <sup>T2A-Gal4</sup>*  
240 clones (Figure 5E-G; of note, these clones remain heterozygous for DIP- $\delta$ ). We  
detected DIP- $\delta$  expressing clones that innervate the  $\gamma$ 4/ $\gamma$ 5 zones as early as 24hr  
APF and up to adulthood. Interestingly, these clones do not seem to express  
tyrosine hydroxylase (TH), required for Dopamine biogenesis, at 24hr APF but  
become TH positive at 48hr APF onwards. In summary, our data suggest that DIP- $\delta$   
is expressed in PAM-DANs, which innervate the future  $\gamma$ 4/5 zones as early as 24hr  
245 APF, and support the speculation that DIP- $\delta$  expressed in PAM-DANs may provide a  
template for  $\gamma$ -axon growth.

### **DIP- $\delta$ is required and sufficient for Dpr12 localization**

Both Dpr12 and DIP- $\delta$  localize to the  $\gamma$ 4/5 zones and are required for their formation  
250 likely by mediating interactions between the  $\gamma$ -KCs and the PAM-DANs. We  
therefore investigated how losing either *dpr12* or *DIP- $\delta$*  affects their binding partner  
localization and mature circuit architecture. First, we investigated whether the highly  
localized expression of Dpr12 and DIP- $\delta$  is cell-autonomous or requires interaction  
with their binding partner. We visualized Dpr12- and DIP- $\delta$ -GFP fusion proteins in  
255 brains homozygous mutant for their reciprocal Dpr/DIP partner. We found that Dpr12  
expression appears diffuse in *DIP- $\delta$*  mutant brains throughout development (Figure  
6A-D), indicating that Dpr12 protein localization requires interaction with DIP- $\delta$ , likely  
on PAM-DANs. In contrast, DIP- $\delta$  localization did not dramatically change during the  
early stages of development in *dpr12* mutants (Figure 6E-F). At 48hr APF, while we  
260 still detected DIP- $\delta$  at the distal part of the lobe, it occupied a smaller area than in  
WT brains and resembled the innervation pattern typical of 24hr APF (compare  
Figure 6G to Figure 3G). Furthermore, we did not detect any DIP- $\delta$  in the adult MB  
medial lobe (Figure 6H), suggesting that Dpr12 is required for the refinement and  
maintenance of DIP- $\delta$  localization.

265 To explore whether DIP- $\delta$  expression is sufficient to regulate Dpr12 protein

localization, we mis-expressed DIP- $\delta$  in DANs that innervate  $\gamma$ 3 zone, normally devoid of Dpr12 protein (Figure 6I). Remarkably, we found that DIP- $\delta$  misexpression indeed caused Dpr12 protein to become localized to the adult  $\gamma$ 3 zone, in addition to its endogenous  $\gamma$ 4/ $\gamma$ 5 expression (Figure 6J). Together, these results indicate that while DIP- $\delta$  is both required and sufficient for Dpr12 localization throughout development, Dpr12 is required only for maintenance of the adult localization of DIP- $\delta$ .

### Dpr12-DIP- $\delta$ interaction mediates circuit re-assembly

We next determined if the loss of normal Dpr12-DIP- $\delta$  interaction induced axonal misrouting, cell loss or other circuit reorganizations. In *dpr12* mutants, we found that PAM-DANs which normally target the  $\gamma$ 4 or  $\gamma$ 5 zones misrouted and failed to form substantial connections within the  $\gamma$ -lobe (Figure 7A-D, Figure S6). Importantly, the number of PAM-DAN cell bodies of the subtypes tested remained unchanged (Figure S6C, F). In contrast,  $\gamma$ 4-MBON still innervated the  $\gamma$ -lobe in *dpr12* mutant brains, albeit in abnormal locations like the  $\gamma$ 3 compartment (Figure 7E-F, Figure S6). Finally, we examined the global neuropil structure in *dpr12* mutant brains by following staining of the active zone protein bruchpilot (Brp), which demonstrated that the  $\gamma$ 4/5 zones were largely missing (Figure 7G-H, Movies S3-4). Interestingly, the lack of these domains was accompanied by enlarged  $\gamma$ 2/3 zones, as well as distortions in other brain regions (see Crepine, for example, in Figure 7G-H).

Taken together, our results suggest that the Dpr12-DIP- $\delta$  interaction is required for  $\gamma$ 4/5 zone formation by mediating interactions between  $\gamma$ -KCs and a subpopulation of PAM-DANs, eventually instructing their adult-specific connectivity.

### Discussion

Our understanding of the development of complex neural circuits remains largely unknown. Specifically, how long axons can make *en passant* synapses with different partners in a stereotypic manner is not well understood. The unique development and morphology of the *Drosophila* MB  $\gamma$ -lobe, combined with the awesome genetic power of the fly, offers an excellent opportunity to dissect mechanisms required for wiring of complex neural network and specifically for mechanisms that drive zonation

within axonal bundles to allow for stereotypic localized innervation by distinct populations of neurons. Here, we identify a molecular mechanism that mediates  
300 neuron-neuron interactions that subsequently promote the formation of stereotypic circuits that define subcellular axonal zones.

The adult  $\gamma$ -lobe is divided into zones (also known as compartments) due to specific and localized innervations by extrinsic MB neurons including MBON and DANs. Here we show that the interaction between two IgSF proteins, Dpr12 on  $\gamma$ -KCs and DIP- $\delta$   
305 on PAM-DANs, underlies the formation of MB  $\gamma$ 4/5 zones. Within each zone, input from DANs can modify synaptic strength between the KC and MBON to provide specific valence to sensory information(Aso et al., 2014a; Aso et al., 2014b; Cognigni et al., 2018; Cohn et al., 2015). Based on the results presented here, we speculate that various specific combinations of adhesion molecules may mediate target  
310 recognition events that occur between predefined pre- and post-synaptic pairs in other zones as well.  $\gamma$ -neurons express a broad spectrum of IgSFs in tight temporal regulation (Supplementary Table 1; Alyagor et al., 2018), highlighting their potential role in circuit formation. However, many adhesion molecules, including Dpr/DIPs, can form promiscuous interactions, making their analyses challenging. Future  
315 studies could use CRISPR/Cas9 technology to generate multi-gene mutations to further explore the adhesion code required for zone/compartment formation.

Here we used the interaction between Dpr12 and DIP- $\delta$  to study the development of the  $\gamma$ 4/5 zones. Our developmental analyses have concluded that DIP- $\delta$  expressing PAM-DANs arrive to the region of the  $\gamma$ 4/5 zones long before  $\gamma$ -axons. Interestingly,  
320 in *dpr12* mutant animals PAM-DANs arrive to the right place, linger there for a while (~48h APF) and then eliminate their  $\gamma$ 4/5 innervations, while maintaining and even strengthening/broadening other connections in the MB vicinity. Therefore, it is attractive to speculate that  $\gamma$ -axons extend into a prepatterned lobe. More studies comparing the development of other compartment-specific DANs as well as MBONs  
325 are however required.

Here we demonstrate that Dpr12 is cell-autonomously required in  $\gamma$ -KCs while DIP- $\delta$  is required on PAM-DANs for the formation of the  $\gamma$ 4/5 zones. To the best of our knowledge, this is the first case in which a Dpr molecule was shown to be cell-autonomously required for correct wiring. However, many unresolved questions  
330 remain: 1) Why do the  $\gamma$ -axons stop prematurely? One possibility is that axon growth

into the  $\gamma$ 4/5 zones depends on Dpr12-DIP- $\delta$  interaction either because they overcome a yet undiscovered inhibitory signal or because they are positively required for the progression of the growth cone. Alternatively, Dpr12-DIP- $\delta$  interaction could be important for the stabilization of the connections between  $\gamma$ -axons and DAN processes to result in the formation of the  $\gamma$ 4/5 zones. At 48h APF, the large majority of *dpr12* mutant  $\gamma$ -axons do not innervate the  $\gamma$ 4/5 zones, arguing against the stability hypothesis; 2) What are the signaling pathways that mediate Dpr/DIP targeting recognition? None of the Dprs or DIPs contain a large intracellular domain that is capable of signaling. Identifying the co-receptor/s is a critical step in gaining a mechanistic understanding of axon targeting whether in the visual, motor or MB circuits. The Dpr12/DIP- $\delta$  interaction which we have uncovered to be required for the formation of specific MB zones is an attractive model to further delve into these mechanisms due to its robust phenotype; 3) What is the significance of the GPI anchor? Many of the Dprs and DIPs, including DIP- $\delta$  (data not shown) are predicted GPI anchored proteins, suggesting that they can be cleaved to create a secreted soluble form. Whether this is an important step in targeting has not yet been investigated. Interestingly, the vertebrate homologs of the DIPs, the IgLON subfamily (Zinn and Ozkan, 2017), are GPI anchored proteins that were shown to be cut by metalloproteinases to promote axonal outgrowth (Sanz et al., 2015 ).

Expression patterns of Dpr and DIP molecules in the neuromuscular junction (NMJ) (Carrillo et al., 2015) and visual system (Carrillo et al., 2015; Tan et al., 2015) suggested a model where these molecules instruct target cell specificity. Recent loss-of-function experiments strengthened this target specificity hypothesis, as the DIP- $\alpha$ -Dpr10 interaction was shown to be important for motoneuron innervation of specific larval (Ashley et al., 2019) and adult (Venkatasubramanian et al., 2019) muscles, and DIP- $\alpha$ -Dpr10/Dpr6 interaction for specific layer targeting in the visual system (Xu et al., 2018). Our results suggest that mechanisms used to target axons and dendrites to specific cell types or layers may be further implicated to orchestrate the wiring of long axons to different pre- and post-synaptic partners along their route and thus the formation of axonal zones.

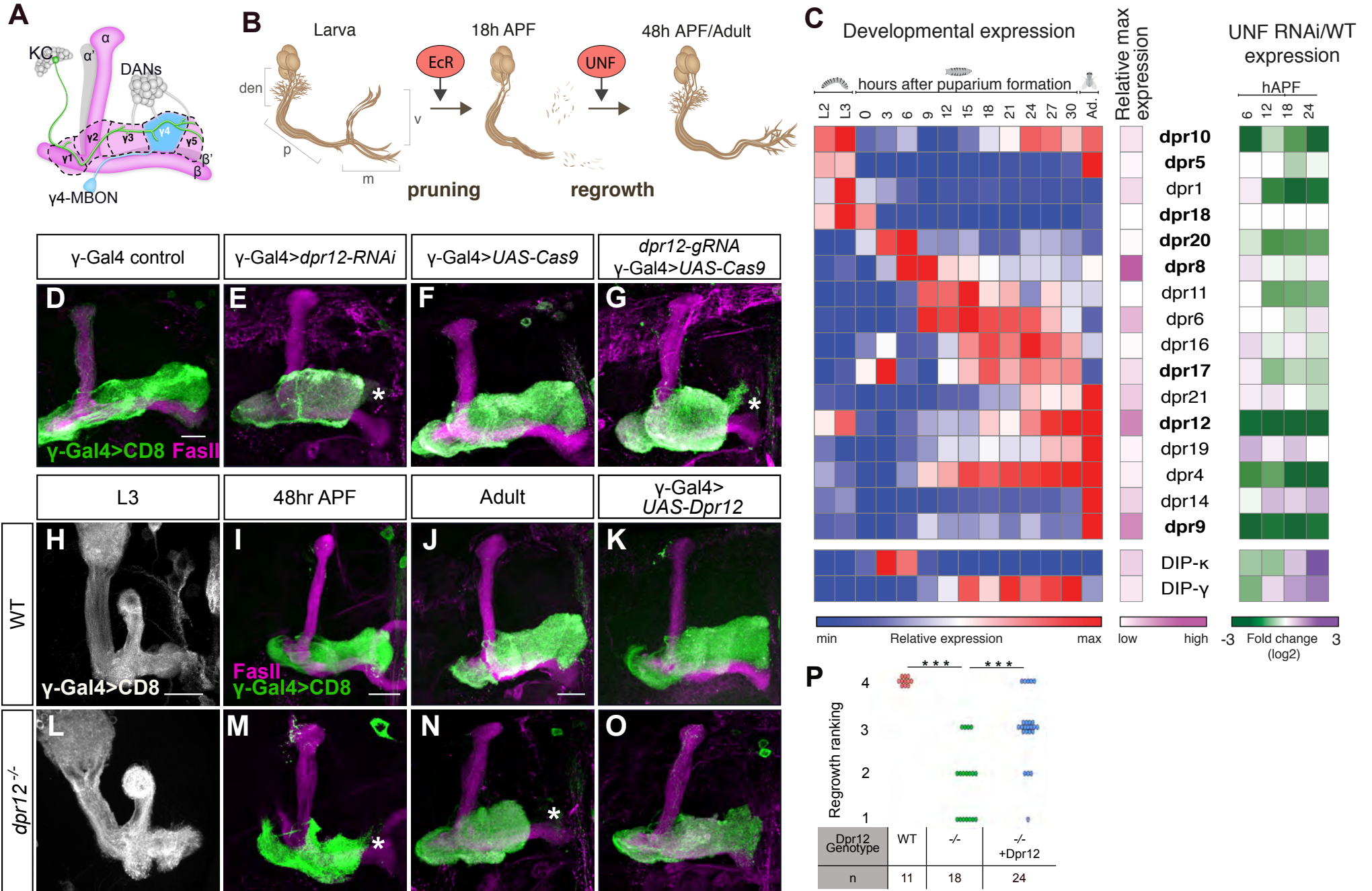
Here we describe that interaction between two IgSF proteins mediates transneuronal communication that is required for proper wiring within specific zones of the *Drosophila* MB. The anatomical organization of the MB suggests that these

interactions may provide target specificity for the long KC axon while it forms *en*  
365 *passant* synapses with different targets along its length. While the existence of such  
wiring architecture is known from invertebrates such as *Drosophila* and *C. elegans*,  
long axons making distinct yet stereotypic *en passant* connections is not widely  
described in vertebrates. Given the existence of long axons, that travel through  
dense neuropil structures, such as mossy fibers in the hippocampus, cholinergic  
370 axons in the basal forebrain, and parallel fibers in the cerebellar cortex, we posit that  
this type of connectivity exists in vertebrates but has not yet been described in detail  
due to technological limitations that are likely to be resolved soon. Pairwise IgSF  
molecular interactions are conserved in vertebrates and invertebrates, implying  
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375 zones in other organisms.

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395 **Figure 1. Dpr12 is required for full extension of  $\gamma$ -KCs.**

(A) Schematic representation of the adult MB. The bundled  $\gamma$ -axons (an example of which is depicted in green) form the lobe. Stereotyped and tiled innervation of the lobe by Dopaminergic (DANs, gray) and MB output neurons (MBONs, an example of a  $\gamma$ 4 MBON is shown in cyan) define the  $\gamma$ 1- $\gamma$ 5 zones.

400 (B) Schematic representation of neuron remodeling of  $\gamma$ -KCs and its regulation by the nuclear receptors EcR and UNF. den: dendrites; p: axon peduncle; m/v: medial and vertical lobes.

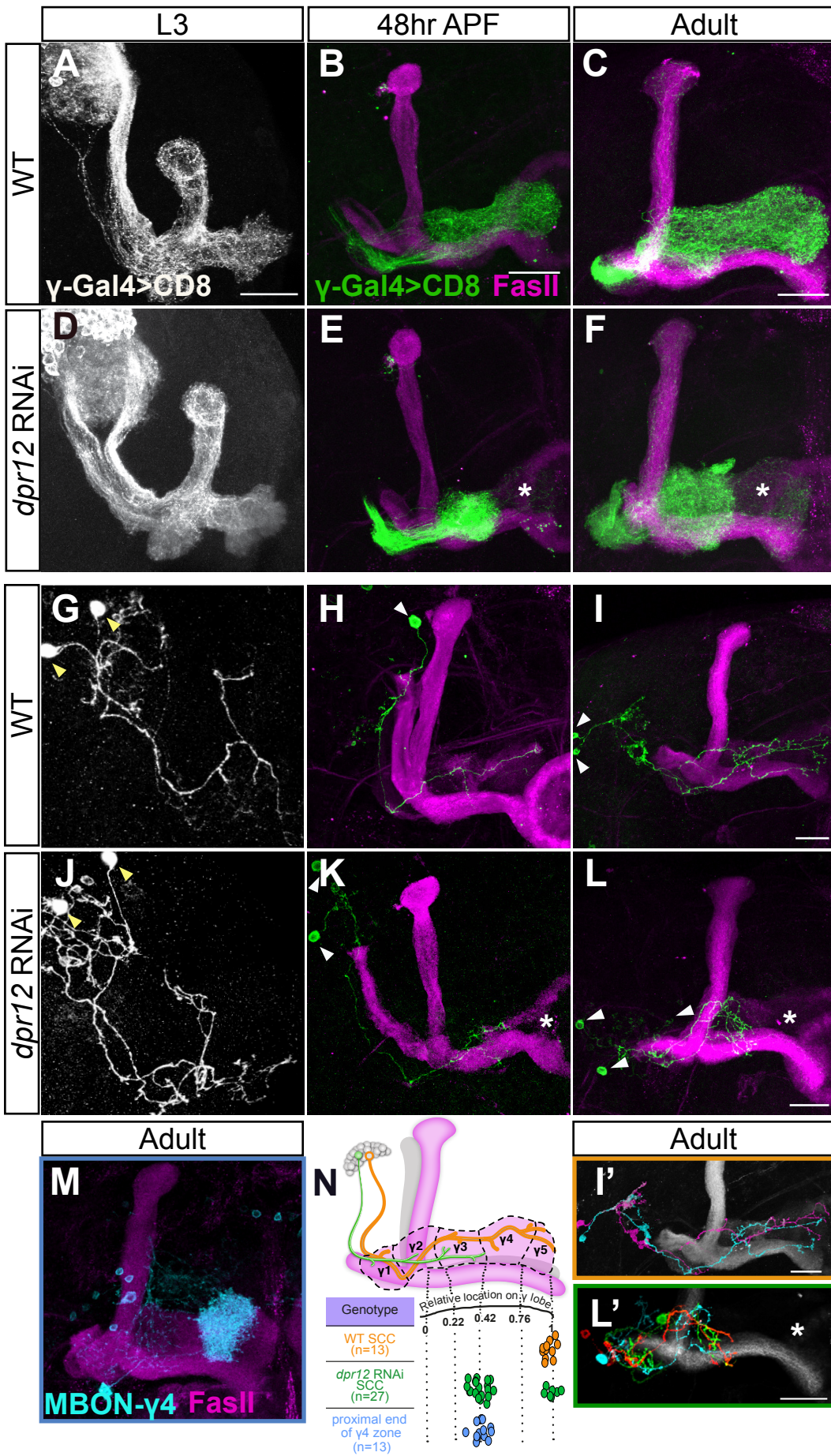
(C) Dynamic expression of Dpr and DIPs during  $\gamma$ -KCs development. Left: Heatmap depicting the relative expression patterns of Dprs and DIPs in  $\gamma$ -KCs during  
405 development. Middle: Magenta intensity depicts the peak expression of each gene during development relative to other Dprs and DIPs. Right: Expression change of Dprs and DIPs while knocking down the UNF transcription factor compared to WT  $\gamma$ -KCs. Dprs highlighted in bold were tested in the RNAi mini-screen (Figure S1).

(D-O) Confocal z-projections of the indicated genotypes and age, labeled with membrane bound GFP (mCD8-GFP; CD8) driven by the  $\gamma$  specific Gal4 driver GMR71G10-Gal4 ( $\gamma$ -Gal4). While  $\gamma$ -axons of control flies project through the entire lobe (D; n=12/12, F; n=14/14), knockdown of *dpr12* by RNAi (E; n=12/12) or  
410 knockout by tsCRISPR (G; n=14/14) resulted in short axons. At L3,  $\gamma$ -axons in *dpr12* <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup> homozygote mutant animals (L; n=20/20) resemble WT  $\gamma$ -axons (H; n=20/20). At 48h APF,  $\gamma$ -axons normally (I; n=12/12) re-extend to form the adult lobe. *dpr12* <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup>  $\gamma$ -axons (M; n=14/14) fail to extend to the end of the lobe. This  
415 defect persists to adult (J; n=11/11, N; n=18/18). Expressing a *UAS-Dpr12* transgene within  $\gamma$ -KCs in *dpr12* <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup> homozygote mutant animals rescued the axon regrowth defect (O; n=23/24, K; n=14/14).

420 (P) Quantification of the regrowth defects in J, N and O. The z-projections were blindly classified into four classes of regrowth defect severity, see Figure S1D for examples. Significance was calculated by Kruskal-Wallis test followed by a Mann-Whitney post-hoc test; \*\*\*p<0.001.

425 Asterisks demarcate the distal part of the lobe. Green and white indicate mCD8-GFP. Magenta represents FasII staining. Scale bar is 20 $\mu$ m.

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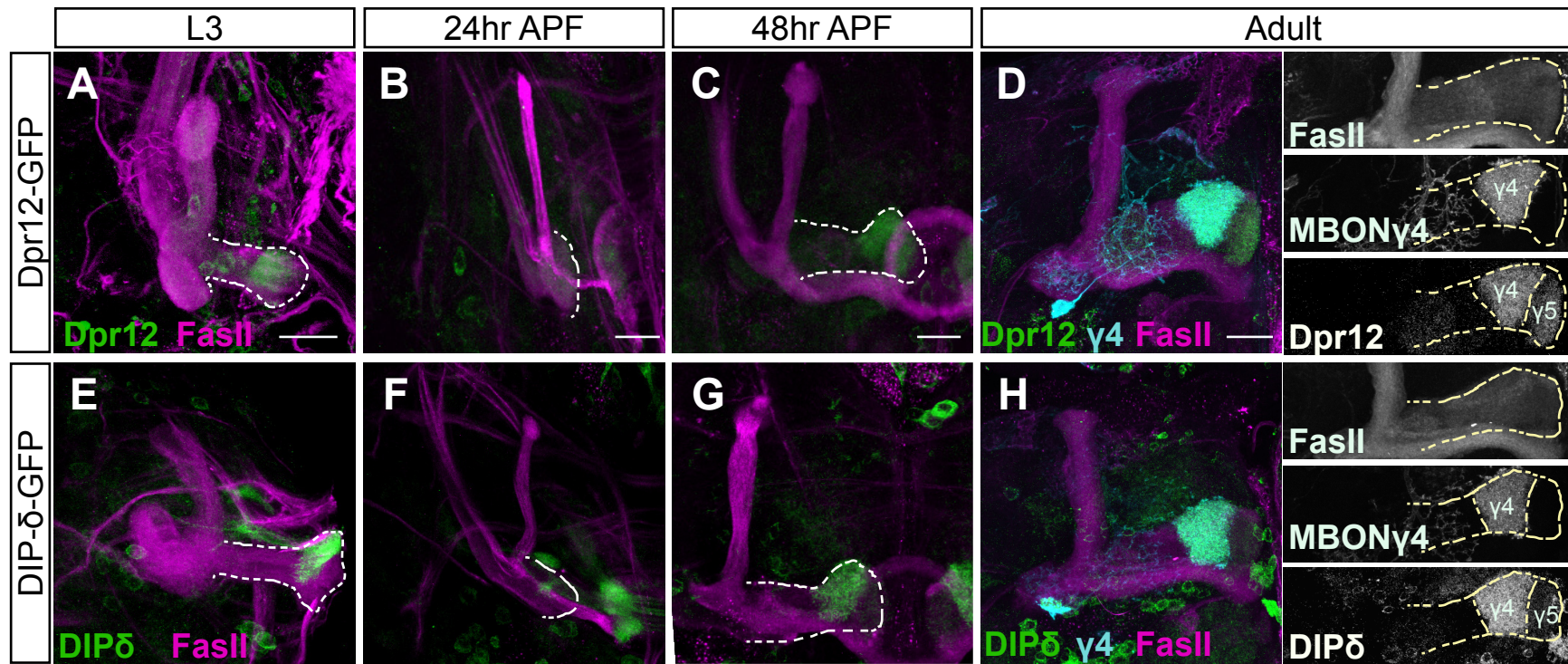




**Figure 2. Dpr12 is cell autonomously required for  $\gamma$ -axon regrowth into the  $\gamma$ 4/5 zones.**

- 430 (A-L) Confocal z-projections of MARCM neuroblast (NB, A-F) and single-cell (SC, G-  
L) clones labeled with membrane bound GFP (mCD8-GFP; CD8) driven by the  $\gamma$   
specific Gal4 driver GMR71G10-Gal4 ( $\gamma$ -Gal4). At L3, NB and SC clones expressing  
*dpr12* RNAi are similar to equivalent WT clones (A; n=20/20, D; n=15/15, G; n=15/15  
and J; n=17/17). At 48hr APF and adult stage, WT NB (B; n=15/15, C; n=10/10) and  
435 SC (H; n=16/16, I; n=13/13) clones extend their axons to form the full adult lobe. In  
contrast, clones expressing *dpr12* RNAi (E; n=14/14, F; n=22/2, K; n=18/24, L;  
n=19/27) fail to extend their axons to the distal part of the medial lobe (asterisks). I'  
and L' are traces of the single cell clones depicting each cell in a different color.
- (M) Confocal z-projection of MBON $\gamma$ 4> $\gamma$ 1 $\gamma$ 2 labeled by GMR18H09-Gal4 driving the  
440 expression of mCD8-GFP (CD8) shown in cyan.
- (N) Top: Schematic representation of WT (orange) and *dpr12* RNAi (green)  
expressing single  $\gamma$ -KC clones. Bottom: Measurements of the relative location to  
which WT (I) and *dpr12* RNAi (L) axons grow across the entire length of the adult  $\gamma$   
lobe alongside the relative position of the proximal end of  $\gamma$ 4 zone (M, see also  
445 Figure S2).
- Arrowheads demarcate single cell bodies. Green, white and cyan represent mCD8-  
GFP. Magenta shows FasII. Scale bar is 20 $\mu$ m.

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450 **Figure 3. Both Dpr12 and its interacting protein DIP- $\delta$  localize to the  $\gamma$ 4/5 zones.**

(A-H) Confocal z-projections of brains expressing MiMIC mediated Dpr12<sup>GFSTF</sup> (Dpr12-GFP) and DIP- $\delta$ <sup>GFSTF</sup> (DIP- $\delta$ -GFP) fusion proteins at the indicated time points. See Figures S1 and S3 for more details on the fusion protein structure.

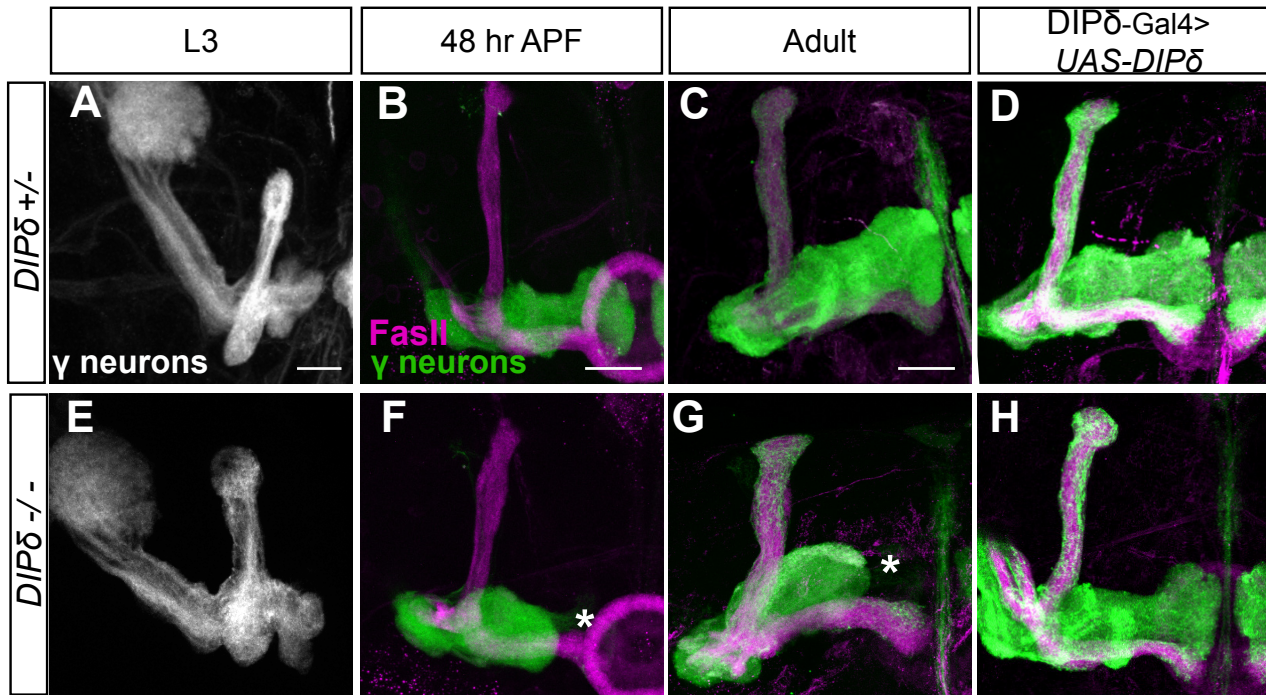
455 (A-D) Dpr12-GFP is localized to the distal part of the  $\gamma$ -lobe at L3 (A; n=10/10), 48hr APF (C; n=12/12) and the adult stage (D; n=20/20), where it colocalizes with a  $\gamma$ 4 MBON ( $\gamma$ 4; labeled by GMR18H09-Gal4 driving the expression of CD4-tdT). At 24hr APF (B; n=10/10), Dpr12-GFP appears diffuse.

(E-H) DIP- $\delta$ -GFP is localized to the distal part of the  $\gamma$ -lobe throughout development: 460 L3 (E; n=16/16), 24hr APF (F; n=10/10), 48hr APF (G; n=12/12) and adult (H; n=24/24). At the adult stage, DIP- $\delta$ -GFP is colocalized with a  $\gamma$ 4 MBON ( $\gamma$ 4).

Dashed line depicts the medial  $\gamma$ -lobe. Green is GFP, cyan is CD4-tdT, magenta is FasII. Grayscale in right panels of D and H represent single channels, as marked. Scale bar is 20 $\mu$ m.

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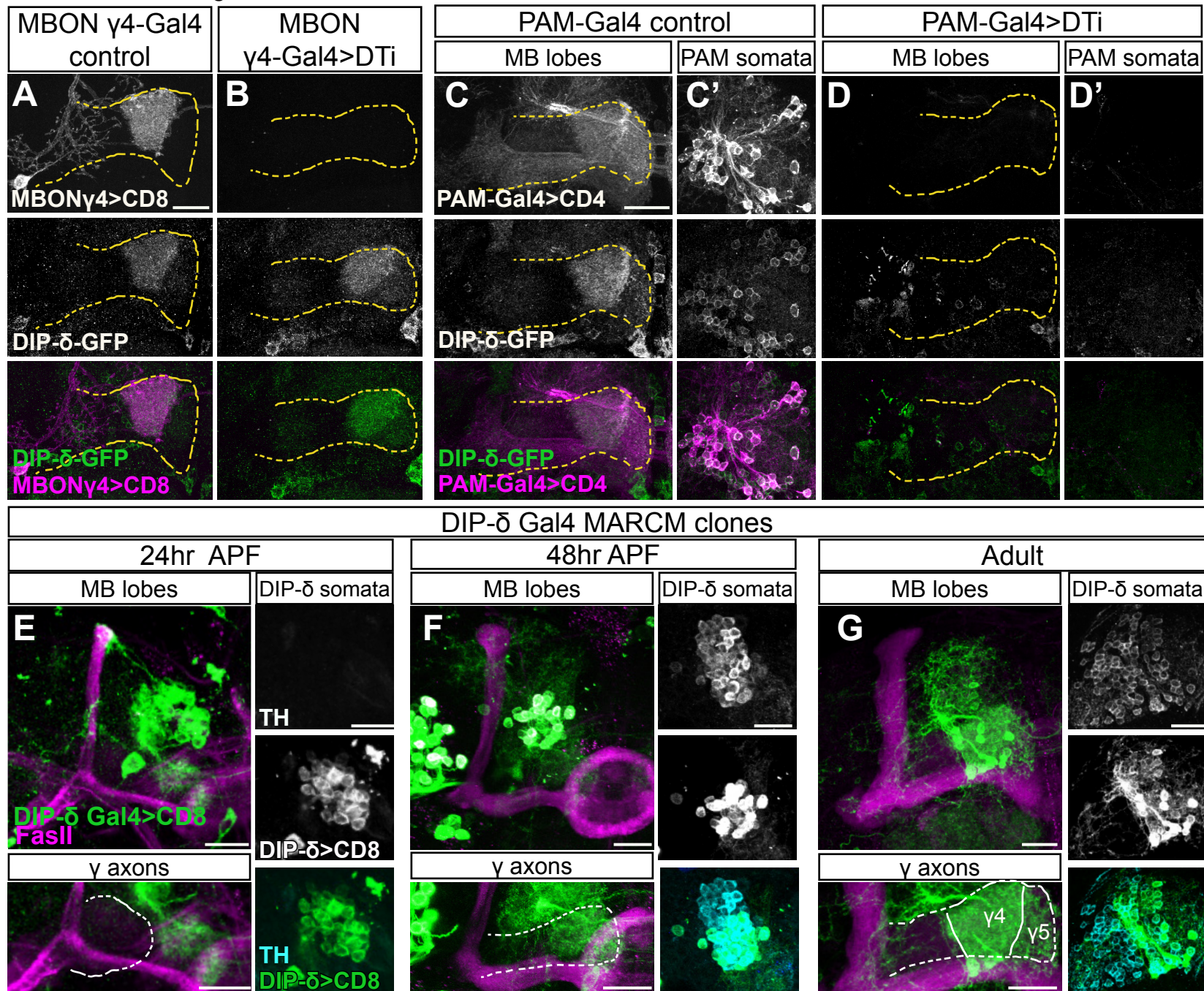


#### Figure 4. $DIP-\delta$ is required for $\gamma$ -axon regrowth into the $\gamma$ 4/5 zones

(A-H) Confocal z-projections  $DIP-\delta$  hetero- and homozygous brains in which  $\gamma$ -KCs were labeled by expressing membrane bound tandem tomato (mtdT-HA) driven by the  $\gamma$  specific QF2 driver R71G10-QF2 ( $\gamma$ -neurons). Larval (L3)  $\gamma$ -axons grow normally in  $DIP-\delta^{T2A-Gal4}$  heterozygotes (A; n=16/16) and homozygotes (E; n=24/24). In contrast, at 48hr APF and adult,  $\gamma$ -axons within  $DIP-\delta^{T2A-Gal4}$  homozygotes do not enter the distal part of the lobe (asterisks; F; n=8/8, G; n=20/20), while they grow normally in heterozygotes (B; n=12/12, C; n=12/12). Overexpression of a  $DIP-\delta$  transgene driven by the Gal4 activity of  $DIP-\delta^{T2A-Gal4}$  (see also Figure S3) does not affect normal growth (D; n=10/10) and rescues mutant phenotypes (H; n=20/20). Asterisks demarcate distal part of the lobe. Green and white are mtdT-HA, magenta is FasII, Scale bar is 20 $\mu$ m.

(I) Quantification of the regrowth defects in C, D, G, H, and Figure S3C-E. Regrowth defect severity and statistics were calculated as in Fig. 1; \*\*\*p<0.001

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**Figure 5. PAM DANs are the source of DIP- $\delta$  in the  $\gamma$ 4/5 zones.**

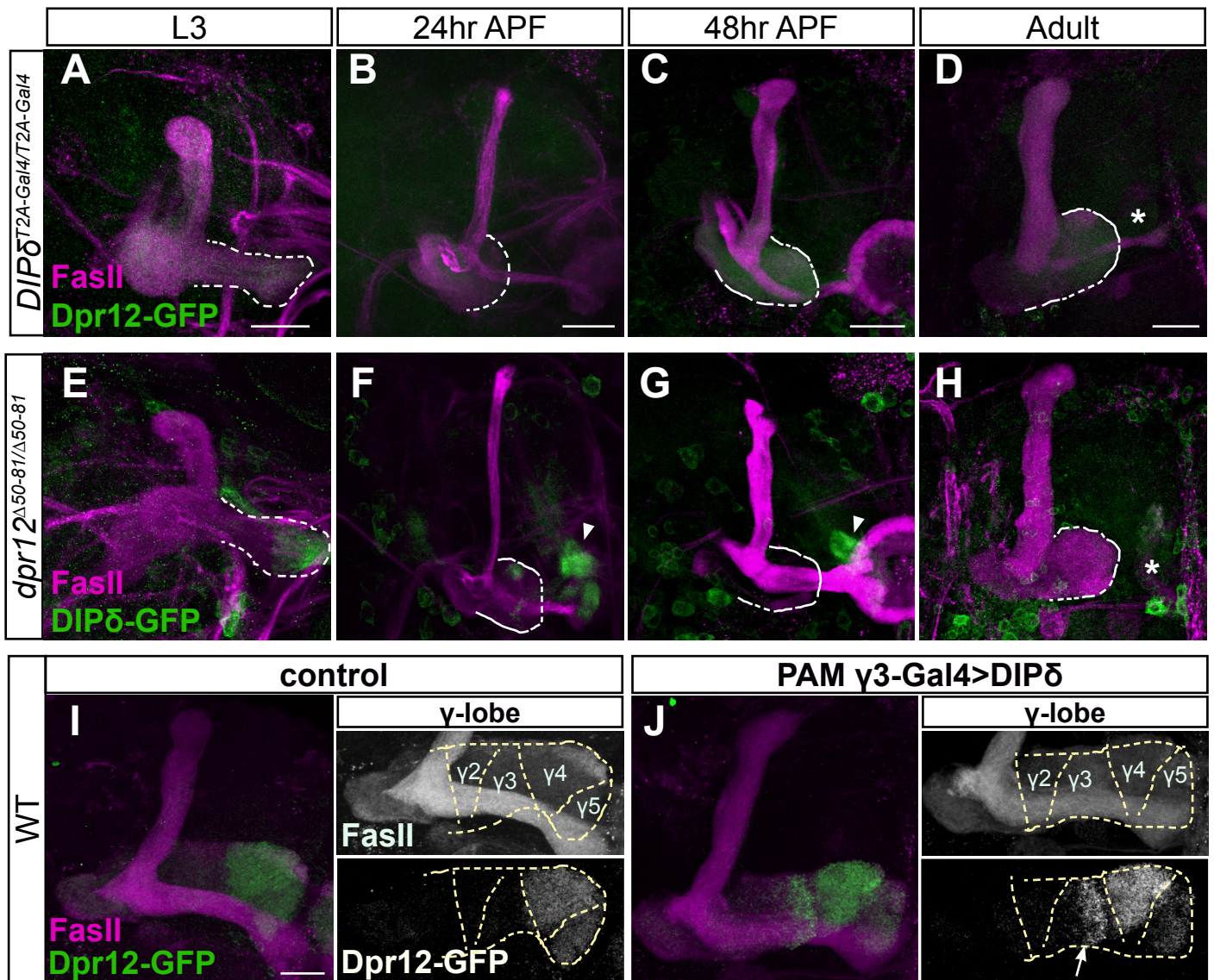
485 (A-D) Confocal z-projections of brains expressing DIP- $\delta^{GFSTF}$  (DIP- $\delta$ -GFP) together  
with the indicated Gal4s and transgenes. Expressing diphtheria toxin (DTi) and the  
membrane bound RFP (mCD8-RFP; CD8) driven by the  $\gamma$ 4 MBON driver MB294B-  
Gal4 (MBON $\gamma$ 4-Gal4) did not affect DIP- $\delta$ -GFP expression (A, n=16/16; B, n=14/14).  
490 In contrast, similar expression of DTi and membrane bound Tomato (CD4-tdT; CD4)  
in PAM-DANs (using the GMR58E02-Gal4; PAM-Gal4) abolished the normal DIP- $\delta$ -  
GFP expression in the  $\gamma$ 4/5 zone (compare D, n=18/18, to C, n=16/16) and within the  
PAM cell bodies (compare D' to C').

Magenta is CD8-RFP (A-B), CD4-mtdT (C-D). Green is GFP, grayscale depict  
individual channels as labeled. Scale bar is 20 $\mu$ m.

495 (E-G) Confocal z-projections of MARCM clones labeled by *DIP- $\delta^{T2A-Gal4}$*  (DIP- $\delta$  Gal4)  
driving the expression of membrane bound GFP (mCD8-GFP; CD8) and heat  
shocked at 24hr after egg laying. Clones innervate the  $\gamma$ 4/5 zones at 24hr APF (E;  
n=8), 48hr APF (F; n=8) and adult (G; n=16). Clones become tyrosine hydroxylase  
(TH) positive only at 48hr APF onwards (F,G).

500 Magenta is FasII, green is mCD8-GFP, cyan is TH antibody staining, grayscale  
single channels are shown as indicated. Scale bar is 20 $\mu$ m.

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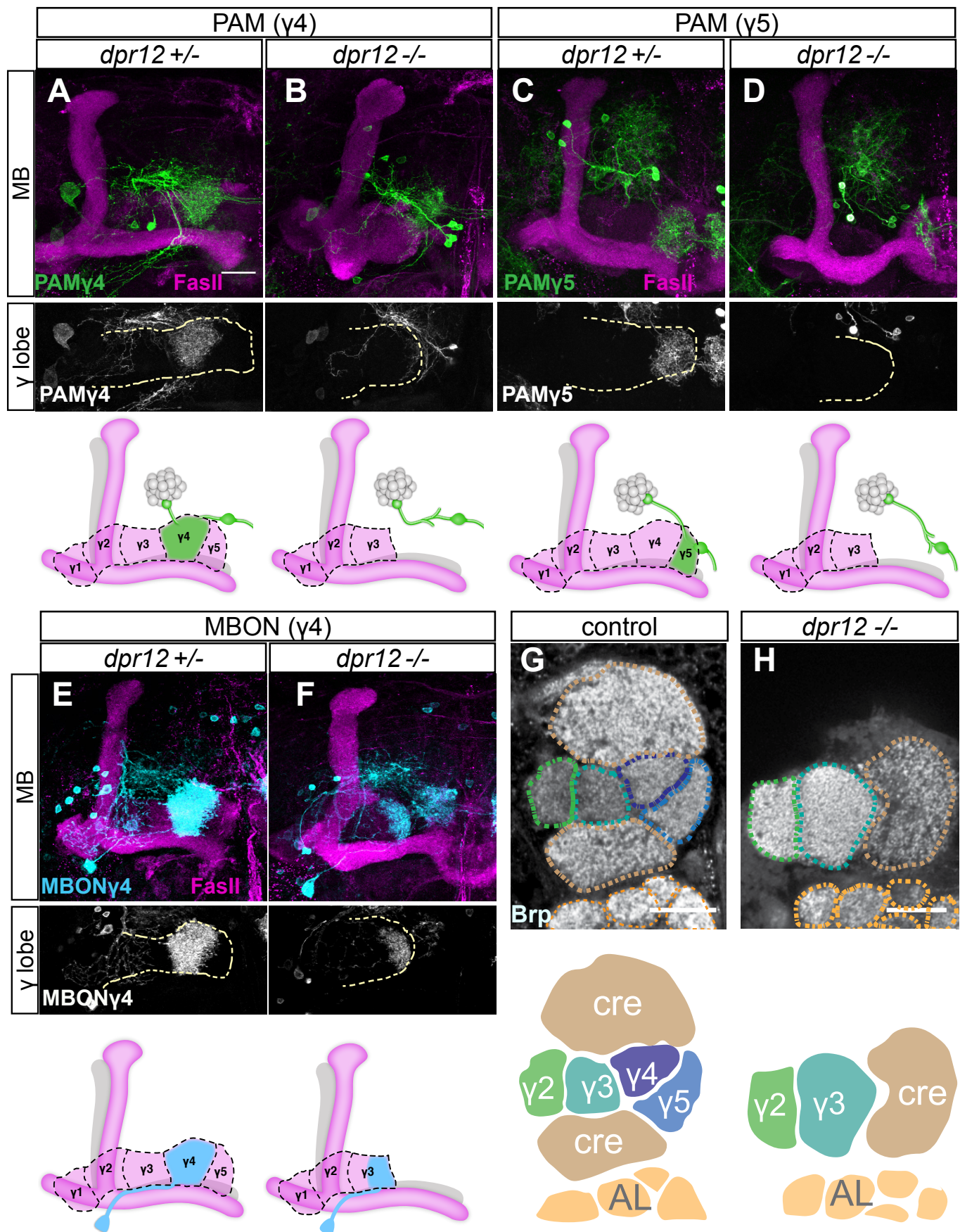




## Figure 6. DIP- $\delta$ is required and sufficient for Dpr12 localization

- 505 (A-J) Confocal z-projections of brains expressing MiMIC mediated Dpr12<sup>GFSTF</sup> (Dpr12-GFP) and DIP- $\delta$ <sup>GFSTF</sup> (DIP- $\delta$ -GFP) fusion proteins at the indicated genotypes time points.
- (A-D) Dpr12-GFP expression is diffuse in *DIP- $\delta$ <sup>T2A-Gal4</sup>* homozygotes mutant brains at L3 (A; n=20/20), 24hr APF (B; n=14/14), 48hr APF (C; n=28/28) and adult (D; n=26/26).
- 510 (E-H) DIP- $\delta$ -GFP expression in *dpr12 $\Delta$ <sup>50-81</sup>* homozygotes mutant brains remains localized to the distal part of the  $\gamma$ -lobe at L3 (E; n=16/16), 24hr APF (F; n=16/16), and 48hr APF (G; n=10/10) but cannot be identified in adult brains (H; n=16/16).
- 515 (I-J) Dpr12-GFP expression in WT animals (I, n=8/8) or in those ectopically expressing *DIP- $\delta$*  in PAM-DANs that innervate the  $\gamma$ 3 zone (J, n=14/14) driven by MB441B-Gal4 (*PAM $\gamma$ 3-Gal4*). *DIP- $\delta$*  expression in PAM $\gamma$ 3 resulted in Dpr12-GFP localization within the  $\gamma$ 3 zone (arrow), in addition to its normal  $\gamma$ 4/ $\gamma$ 5 localization. Arrowheads demarcate DIP- $\delta$  expression at the distal part of the lobe. Asterisks demarcate the distal part of the lobe. Dashed line depicts the medial  $\gamma$ -lobe, as determined by FasII staining. Green is GFP, magenta is FasII. Grayscale in right panels of I and J represent single channels, as marked. Scale bar is 20 $\mu$ m.
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### Figure 7. Dpr12-DIP- $\delta$ interaction mediates circuit assembly

525 (A-F) Top: Confocal z-projections of *dpr12* <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup> heterozygous (A, n=15; C, n=10; E, n=10) and homozygous brains (B, n=8; D, n=18; F, n=24) expressing mCD8-GFP (CD8) driven by: (A-B) R10G03-Gal4 (PAM $\gamma$ 4-Gal4); (C-D) R48H11-Gal4 (PAM $\gamma$ 5-Gal4), or (E-F) R18H09-Gal4 (MBON $\gamma$ 4-Gal4). Bottom: Cartoons schematizing MB lobe structure and innervation by specific PAM-DANs or MBON.

530 (G-H) Single confocal slices of WT (G, n=5/5) and *dpr12* <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup> homozygous brains (H, n=5/5) stained with anti-Brp. Dashed lines demarcate neuropil boundaries, schematic shown below. cre, crepin; AL, antenna lobe.

Magenta is FasII, green and cyan are mCD8-GFP, grayscale depicts single channels as indicated. Scale bar is 20 $\mu$ m.

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Supplemental materials and STAR methods

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## KEY RESOURCES TABLE

REAGENT or RESOURCE	SOURCE	IDENTIFIER
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<b>Chemicals, Peptides, and Recombinant Proteins</b>		
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poly-L-lysine	Sigma Aldrich	Cat# P1524-25MG
<b>Critical Commercial Assays</b>		
Pico pure RNA isolation kit	Thermo Fisher	Cat# KIT0204
Gibson assembly	NEB	Cat# E5510S
<b>Deposited Data</b>		
Raw data files for UNF Perturbation seq	Will be deposited in the NCBI Gene Expression Omnibus	
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$w[1118]; P\{y[+t7.7] w[+mC]=GMR18H09-GAL4\}attP2$ (R18H09-Gal4)	BDSC	BDSC: 48830 FBID: FBti0133650



w[1118]; P{y[+t7.7] w[+mC]=GMR48H11-GAL4}attP2 (R48H11-GAL4)	BDSC	BDSC: 50396 FBID: FBti0136291
w[1118]; P{y[+t7.7] w[+mC]=GMR10G03-GAL4}attP2 (R10G03-Gal4)	BDSC	BDSC: 48271 FBID: FBti0132904
P{y[+t7.7] w[+mC]= GMR71G10-QF2 <sup>HSP</sup> }attP40 (R71G10-QF2)	This study	N/A
y[1] w[*]; PBac{y[+mDint2] w[+mC]=10XQUAS-6XGFP;VK00018, P{w[+mC]=UAS-mtdTomato-3xHA}2; P{y[+t7.7] w[+mC]=GMR58E02-QF2.L}attP2 (R58E02-QF2)	BDSC	BDSC: 66480 FBID: FBti0184753
w[1118]; P{y[+t7.7] w[+mC]=R53C03-p65.AD}attP40; P{y[+t7.7] w[+mC]=R24E12-GAL4.DBD}attP2/TM6B, Tb[1] (MB298B-Gal4)	BDSC	BDSC: 68309 FBID: FBst0068309
w[1118]; P{y[+t7.7] w[+mC]=R30G08-p65.AD}attP40; P{y[+t7.7] w[+mC]=R48B03-GAL4.DBD}attP2 (MB441B-Gal4)	BDSC	BDSC: 68251 FBID: FBst0068251
w[*]; P{w[+mW.hs]=GawB}OK107 ey[OK107] (OK107-Gal4)	BDSC	BDSC: 854 FBID: FBti0004170
y*, w*; DIP- $\delta$ -T2A-Gal4	This study	N/A
w[*]; P{y[+t7.7] w[+mC]=10XUAS-IVS-mCD8::GFP}attP2 (UAS-CD8-GFP)	BDSC	BDSC: 32185 FBID: FBst0032185
w[*]; P{y[+t7.7] w[+mC]=10XUAS-IVS-mCD8::GFP}attP40 (UAS-CD8-GFP)	BDSC	BDSC: 32186 FBID: FBst0032185
y[1] w[*] P{y[+t7.7] w[+mC]=10XUAS-IVS-mCD8::GFP}su(Hw)attP8 (UAS-CD8-GFP)	BDSC	BDSC: 32189 FBID: FBst0032189:
y[1] w[*]; P{w[+mC]=UAS-CD4-tdTom}7M1 (UAS-CD4-tdT)	BDSC	BDSC: 35841 FBID: FBst0035841
y[1] w[1118]; P{w[+mC]=QUAS-mtdTomato-3xHA}26 (QUAS-mtdT)	BDSC	BDSC: 30005 FBID: FBti0129951
w[1118]; P{w[+mC]=UAS-Dcr-2.D}10	BDSC	BDSC: 24651 FBID: FBst0024651
P{hsFLP}22, w*, P{w[+mC]=UAS-mCD8::GFP.L}; P{w[+mC]=tubP-GAL80}LL10 P{ry[+t7.2]=neoFRT}40A; GMR71G10-Gal4, P{w[+mC]=UAS-Dcr-2.D}10 (recombination between R71G10-Gal4 and UAS-Dcr-2)	This study	N/A
P{hsFLP}22, w*, P{w[+mC]=UAS-mCD8::GFP.L}; P{w[+mC]=tubP-GAL80}LL10 P{ry[+t7.2]=neoFRT}40A; DIP- $\delta$ -T2A-Gal4	This study	N/A
y[1] v[1]; P{y[+t7.7] v[+t1.8]=TRiP.JF03306}attP2 (RNAi of Dpr5)	BDSC	BDSC: 29627 FBID: FBst0029627
y[1] v[1]; P{y[+t7.7] v[+t1.8]=TRiP.JF03172}attP2 (RNAi of Dpr8)	BDSC	BDSC: 28744 FBID: FBst0028744
y[1] sc[*] v[1]; P{y[+t7.7] v[+t1.8]=TRiP.HMS00288}attP2 (RNAi of Dpr9)	BDSC	BDSC: 33409 FBID: FBst0033409
y[1] v[1]; P{y[+t7.7] v[+t1.8]=TRiP.JF02920}attP2 (RNAi of Dpr10)	BDSC	BDSC: 27991 FBID: FBst0027991
y[1] v[1]; P{y[+t7.7] v[+t1.8]=TRiP.JF03210}attP2 (RNAi of Dpr12)	BDSC	BDSC: 28782 FBID: FBst0028782
[1] v[1]; P{y[+t7.7] v[+t1.8]=TRiP.GL01238}attP2 (RNAi of Dpr17)	BDSC	BDSC: 41656 FBID: FBst0041656
y[1] v[1]; P{y[+t7.7] v[+t1.8]=TRiP.JF03283}attP2 (RNAi of Dpr18)	BDSC	BDSC: 29604 FBID: FBst0029604
[1] v[1]; P{y[+t7.7] v[+t1.8]=TRiP.JF02923}attP2 (RNAi of Dpr20)	BDSC	BDSC: 28293 FBID: FBst0028293

<i>P{ry[+t7.2]=hsFLP}12, y[1] w[*]; P{y[+t7.7] w[+mC]=UAS-Cas9.P2}attP40</i>	BDSC	BDSC: 58985 FBID: FBst0058985
<i>w[1118]; P{y[+t7.7] w[+mC]=UAS-Cas9.C}attP2</i>	BDSC	BDSC: 54595 FBID: FBst0054595
gRNA dpr12	This study	N/A
<i>y[1] sc[*] v[1]; P{y[+t7.7] v[+t1.8]=TKO.GS02451}attP40 (gRNA DIP-δ)</i>	BDSC	BDSC: 78754 FBID: FBst0078754
<i>y*, w*; FRT40A, dpr12<sup>Δ50-81</sup>, FRTG13, cn, bw</i>	This study	N/A
<i>w*; DIPδ<sup>1-119</sup>, FRT2A</i>	A generous gift from Larry Zipursky, UCLA	N/A
<i>y[1] w[67c23]; Mi{PT-GFSTF.1}dpr12[MI01695-GFSTF.1]/SM6a (dpr12<sup>GFSTF</sup>)</i>	BDSC	BDSC: 60171 FBID: FBst0060171
<i>y[1] w[*]; Mi{PT-GFSTF.1}DIP-delta[MI08287-GFSTF.1] (DIP-δ<sup>GFSTF</sup>)</i>	BDSC	BDSC: 60558 FBID: FBst0060558
<i>y[1] w[*]; Mi{y[+mDint2]=MIC}DIP-delta[MI08287]</i>	BDSC	BDSC: 51229 FBID: FBst0051229
<i>y[1] w[*]; P{w[+mC]=lox(Trojan-GAL4)x3}10; Dr[1]/TM3, Sb[1] Ser[1]</i>	BDSC	BDSC: 60310 FBID: FBst0060310
<i>P{y[+mDint2]=Crey}1b, y[1] M{vas-int.Dm}ZH-2A w[*]</i>	BDSC	BDSC: 60299 FBID: FBst0060299
<i>w[*]; P{w[+mC]=UAS-Cbbeta\DT-A.I}18/CyO (UAS-DTI)</i>	BDSC	BDSC: 25039 FBID: FBst0025039
UAS-Dpr12 (in86FB)	This study	N/A
UAS-DIP-δ (in attp40)	This study	N/A
UAS-DIP-δ-2A-tdT	A generous gift from Larry Zipursky, UCLA	N/A
<i>y[1] M{w[+mC]=nos-Cas9.P}ZH-2A w[*]</i>	BDSC	BDSC: 54591 FBID: FBst0054591
UAS-DIP-δ-RNAi (in attp40)	This study	N/A
<i>y[1] w[*] P{y[+t7.7] w[+mC]=10XUAS-IVS-mCD8::RFP}su(Hw)attP8</i>	BDSC	BDSC: 32220 FBID: FBst0032220
<b>Oligonucleotides</b>		
gRNAs for Dpr12 CRISPR deletion: CGCAGTTCCATCAGGTGCAGGGG CCATTAGACATATCTTCCTGACC	This study	N/A
Primers for dpr12 <sup>Δ50-81</sup> check PCR: F':GTTGCCGTAGCTGAAAGGATT R':TAAACCGGGTATCGGAGTGTC	This study	N/A
RNAi for DIPδ (SS) GACGAUAAGAAACCUACAUA (AS) UUGUAGGUUUCUUAUCGUCAG	This study	N/A
Primers for QF2 cloning F':TAAGCCAACCTTTGAATCACAAAGACGCATACCAAA CGGTACATGCCACCCAAG R':TGAATAATTTTCTATTTGGCTTTAGTCGACGGTAT CGATAATCACTGTTTCGT	This study	N/A
Primers for hsp70 cloning F':AAGTGGTGATAAACGGCCGGCCGAGCGCCGGAG TATAAATAGAG R':AAGTGGTGATAAACGGCCGGCCGAGCGCCGGAG TATAAATAGAG	This study	N/A
<b>Recombinant DNA</b>		
pCFD4	(Port et al., 2014)	N/A

pVALIUM22	Harvard Medical School	PlasmID: pVALIUM22
pDEST-UAS-IVS-Syn21-p10aw	(Rabinovich et al., 2016)	N/A
pBPGUw	addgene	Plasmid #17575
pBPGUw-QF2	This paper	N/A
GMR71G10 entry vector	(Alyagor et al., 2018)	N/A
GMR71G10-QF2 <sup>hsp70</sup>	This paper	N/A
Plasmid: UAS-IVS-Syn21-Dpr12-p10	This paper	N/A
Plasmid: UAS-IVS-Syn21-DIP- $\delta$ -p10	This paper	N/A
Plasmid: pCFD4-dpr12 (Dpr12 gRNA)	This paper	N/A
Plasmid: pVALIUM22-DIP- $\delta$ (DIP- $\delta$ RNAi)	This paper	N/A
<b>Software and Algorithms</b>		
FIJI	Image J	<a href="https://imagej.net/Fiji/Downloads">https://imagej.net/Fiji/Downloads</a>
VVD Viewer (a branch of FluoRender, Center for Integrative Biomedical Computing (CIBC), Utah)	Takashi Kawase	<a href="https://github.com/takashi310/VVD_Viewer/releases">https://github.com/takashi310/VVD_Viewer/releases</a>
MATLAB R2016a software	MathWorks	N/A
FlyMine	Lyne et al 2007, Genome Biol	<a href="http://www.flymine.org/">http://www.flymine.org/</a>
HISAT v.0.1.5	(Kim et al., 2015)	<a href="https://github.com/inphilo/hisat">https://github.com/inphilo/hisat</a>
DEseq2	(Love et al., 2014)	N.A
Gene-e v.3.0.215	Broad Institute, Inc.	<a href="https://software.broadinstitute.org/GENE-E/">https://software.broadinstitute.org/GENE-E/</a>
HOMER software	(Heinz et al., 2010)	
DSIR	(Vert et al., 2006)	<a href="http://biodev.extra.ccea.fr/DSIR/DSIR.php">http://biodev.extra.ccea.fr/DSIR/DSIR.php</a>
FlyCRISPR	(Gratz et al., 2014)	<a href="http://flycrispr.molbio.wisc.edu/">http://flycrispr.molbio.wisc.edu/</a>
<b>Other</b>		
Zeiss LSM 800 confocal microscope	Zeiss	
40x 1.3 NA oil immersion lens	Zeiss	

## CONTACT FOR REAGENT AND RESOURCE SHARING

Further information and requests for resources and reagents should be directed to and will be fulfilled by the Lead Contact, Oren Schuldiner ([oren.schuldiner@weizmann.ac.il](mailto:oren.schuldiner@weizmann.ac.il))

## EXPERIMENTAL MODEL

*Drosophila melanogaster* flies were reared under standard laboratory conditions at 25°C on molasses containing food. Males and females were chosen at random. For developmental analysis white pupae were collected and incubated for the indicated number of hours. For adult analysis flies were dissected 3-5 days post eclosion. For a detailed list of the stocks and their source, see Key Resource Table.

## GENOTYPES:

hsFLP is *y,w,hsFLP122*; GFP is GFP; tdT is *tdTom*; mtdT-HA is *mtdTomato-3xHA*; 40A and G13 are FRTs on 2L and 2R respectively; R71G10 is *GMR71G10-Gal4*; R18H09 is *GMR18H09-Gal4*; R58E02 is *GMR58E02-Gal4*; R10G03 is *GMR10G03-Gal4*; R48H011 is *GMR48H011-Gal4*; G80 is *TubP-Gal80*. Males and females were used interchangeably but only the female genotype is mentioned.

### Figure 1

(D) *y, w; R71G10, UAS-mCD8-GFP/+; R71G10, UAS-Dcr-2/+*  
(E) *y, w; R71G10, UAS-mCD8-GFP/+; R71G10, UAS-Dcr-2/ TRiP.JF03210(dpr12-RNAi)*  
(F) *y, w; R71G10, UAS-mCD8-GFP/+; UAS-Cas9.C*  
(G) *y, w; R71G10, UAS-mCD8-GFP/+; UAS-Cas9.C/dpr12-gRNA*  
(H-J) *y, w; UAS-mCD8-GFP/+; R71G10/+*  
(K) *y, w; UAS-mCD8-GFP/+; R71G10/UAS-Dpr12*  
(L-N) *y, w; 40A, dpr12<sup>Δ50-81</sup>, G13/40A, dpr12<sup>Δ50-81</sup>, G13; R71G10, UAS-mCD8-GFP/+*  
(O) *y, w; 40A, dpr12<sup>Δ50-81</sup>, G13/40A, dpr12<sup>Δ50-81</sup>, G13; R71G10, UAS-mCD8-GFP/UAS-Dpr12*

### Figure 2

(A-C, G-I) *hsFLP, UAS-mCD8-GFP; Gal80, FRT40A/FRT40A; R71G10, UAS-Dcr-2/+*  
(D-F, J-L) *hsFLP, UAS-mCD8-GFP; Gal80, FRT40A/FRT40A; R71G10, UAS-Dcr-2/ TRiP.JF03210 (dpr12-RNAi)*  
(M) *y, w; UAS-mCD8-GFP/+; R18H09/+*

### Figure 3

(A-C) *y, w; Dpr12<sup>GFSTF</sup>/+*  
(D) *y, w; UAS-CD4-tdT/Dpr12<sup>GFSTF</sup>; R18H09/+*  
(E-G) *y, w; DIP-δ<sup>GFSTF</sup>/+*  
(H) *y, w; UAS-CD4-tdT/+; DIP-δ<sup>GFSTF</sup>/R18H09*

### Figure 4

(A-C) *y, w; R71G10-QF2, QUAS-mtdT-HA/+; DIP-δ<sup>T2A-Gal4</sup>/+*  
(D) *y, w; R71G10-QF2, QUAS-mtdT-HA/UAS-DIP-δ; DIP-δ<sup>T2A-Gal4</sup>/+*  
(E-G) *y, w; R71G10-QF2, QUAS-mtdT-HA/+; DIP-δ<sup>T2A-Gal4</sup>/DIP-δ<sup>T2A-Gal4</sup>*  
(H) *y, w; R71G10-QF2, QUAS-mtdT-HA/UAS-DIP-δ; DIP-δ<sup>T2A-Gal4</sup>/DIP-δ<sup>T2A-Gal4</sup>*

### Figure 5

(A) *UAS-mCD8-RFP; R53C03-p65.AD/+; DIP-δ<sup>GFSTF</sup>/R24E12-GAL4.DBD*  
(B) *UAS-mCD8-RFP; R53C03-p65.AD/UAS-DTi; DIP-δ<sup>GFSTF</sup>/R24E12-GAL4.DBD*  
(C) *y, w; UAS-CD4-tdT/+; DIP-δ<sup>GFSTF</sup>/R58E02*  
(D) *y, w; UAS-CD4-tdT/UAS-DTi; DIP-δ<sup>GFSTF</sup>/R58E02*  
(E-G) *hsFLP, UAS-mCD8-GFP; Gal80, FRT40A/FRT40A; DIP-δ<sup>T2A-Gal4</sup>/+*

### Figure 6

(A-D) *y, w; Dpr12<sup>GFSTF</sup>/+; DIP-δ<sup>T2A-Gal4</sup>/DIP-δ<sup>T2A-Gal4</sup>*  
(E-G) *y, w; 40A, dpr12<sup>Δ50-81</sup>, G13/40A, dpr12<sup>Δ50-81</sup>, G13; DIP-δ<sup>GFSTF</sup>/+*

(I) *y, w; Dpr12<sup>GFSTF</sup>/+; UAS-DIP- $\delta$ -2A-tdT/+*

(J) *y, w; Dpr12<sup>GFSTF</sup> /R30G08-p65.AD; R48B03-GAL4.DBD/ UAS-DIP- $\delta$ -2A-tdT*

### Figure 7

(A) *y, w; 40A, dpr12 <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup>, G13/+; R10G03/UAS-mCD8-GFP*

(B) *y, w; 40A, dpr12 <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup>, G13/40A, dpr12 <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup>, G13; R10G03/UAS-mCD8-GFP*

(C) *y, w; 40A, dpr12 <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup>, G13/+; R48H011/UAS-mCD8-GFP*

(D) *y, w; 40A, dpr12 <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup>, G13/40A, dpr12 <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup>, G13; R48H011/UAS-mCD8-GFP*

(E) *y, w; 40A, dpr12 <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup>, G13/+; R18H09/UAS-mCD8-GFP*

(F) *y, w; 40A, dpr12 <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup>, G13/40A, dpr12 <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup>, G13; R18H09/UAS-mCD8-GFP*

(G) *w<sup>1118</sup>*

(H) *w<sup>1118</sup>; 40A, dpr12 <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup>, G13/40A, dpr12 <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup>, G13*

### Figure S1

(A)

*y, w; R71G10, UAS-mCD8-GFP/+; R71G10, UAS-Dcr-2/ TRiP.JF03306(Dpr5-RNAi)*

*y, w; UAS-mCD8-GFP/+; R71G10/ TRiP.JF03172 (Dpr8-RNAi)*

*y, w; UAS-mCD8-GFP/+; R71G10/ TRiP.HMS00288 (Dpr9-RNAi)*

*y, w; R71G10, UAS-mCD8-GFP/+; R71G10, UAS-Dcr-2/ TRiP.JF02920 (Dpr10-RNAi)*

*y, w; R71G10, UAS-mCD8-GFP/+; R71G10, UAS-Dcr-2/ TRiP.JF03210(Dpr12-RNAi)*

*y, w; UAS-mCD8-GFP/+; R71G10/ TRiP.GL01238 (Dpr17-RNAi)*

*y, w; R71G10, UAS-mCD8-GFP/+; R71G10, UAS-Dcr-2/ TRiP.JF03283}attP2 (Dpr18-RNAi)*

*y, w; UAS-mCD8-GFP/+; R71G10/ TRiP.JF02923 (Dpr20-RNAi)*

(D)

*y, w; 40A, Dpr12 <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup>, G13/40A, Dpr12 <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup>, G13; R71G10, UAS-mCD8-GFP/+*

*y, w; 40A, Dpr12 <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup>, G13/40A, Dpr12 <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup>, G13; R71G10, UAS-mCD8-GFP/+*

*y, w; 40A, Dpr12 <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup>, G13/40A, Dpr12 <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup>, G13; R71G10, UAS-mCD8-GFP/+*

*y, w; UAS-mCD8-GFP/+; R71G10/+*

### Figure S2

(A) *hsFLP, UAS-mCD8-GFP; Gal80, FRT40A/FRT40A; R71G10, UAS-Dcr-2/+*

(B) *hsFLP, UAS-mCD8-GFP; Gal80, FRT40A/FRT40A; R71G10, UAS-Dcr-2/ TRiP.JF03210 (Dpr12-RNAi)*

(D) *y, w; UAS-mCD8-GFP/R30G08-p65.AD; R48B03-GAL4.DBD/ +*

(E) *y, w; UAS-mCD8-GFP/+; R18H09/ +*

(F) *y, w; UAS-mCD8-GFP/+; R48H011/+*

### Figure S3

(C-D) *y, w; R71G10-QF2, QUAS-mtdT-HA/+; DIP- $\delta$ <sup>T2A-Gal4</sup>/ DIP- $\delta$ <sup>1-119</sup>*

(E) *y, w; R71G10-QF2, QUAS-mtdT-HA/UAS-DIP- $\delta$ ; DIP- $\delta$ <sup>T2A-Gal4</sup>/DIP- $\delta$ <sup>T2A-Gal4</sup>*

### Figure S4

(A) *y, w; UAS-DIP- $\delta$ -RNAi/R71G10-QF2, QUAS-mtdT-HA; Repo-Gal4, UAS-mCD8-GFP/+*

- (B) y, w; UAS-*DIP-δ-RNAi*/R71G10-QF2, QUAS-mtdT-HA; OK107-Gal4  
 (C) C155-Gal4; UAS-*DIP-δ-RNAi*/R71G10-QF2, QUAS-mtdT-HA  
 (D) y, w; UAS-*DIP-δ-RNAi*/R71G10-QF2, QUAS-mtdT-HA; *DIP-δ<sup>T2A-Gal4</sup>*/+  
 (E) C155-Gal4; UAS-Cas9.P2/+  
 (F) C155-Gal4; UAS-Cas9.P2/TKO.GS02451(*gRNA DIP-δ*)  
 (G) y, w; R71G10, UAS-mCD8-GFP/ +; UAS-Cas9.C/+  
 (H) y, w; R71G10, UAS-mCD8-GFP/ TKO.GS02451(*gRNA DIP-δ*); UAS-Cas9.C/+

### Figure S5

- (A-C) y, w; QUAS-GFP, UAS-mtdT-HA/UAS-tdT; R58E02/R58E02-QF2  
 (D-F) y, w; R71G10-QF2, QUAS-mtdT-HA/+; *DIP-δ<sup>T2A-Gal4</sup>*/+

### Figure S6

- (A) y, w; 40A, *dpr12<sup>Δ50-81</sup>*, G13/+; R10G03/UAS-mCD8-GFP  
 (B) y, w; 40A, *dpr12<sup>Δ50-81</sup>*, G13/40A, *dpr12<sup>Δ50-81</sup>*, G13; R10G03/UAS-mCD8-GFP  
 (D) y, w; 40A, *dpr12<sup>Δ50-81</sup>*, G13/+; R48H011/UAS-mCD8-GFP  
 (E) y, w; 40A, *dpr12<sup>Δ50-81</sup>*, G13/40A, *dpr12<sup>Δ50-81</sup>*, G13; R48H011/UAS-mCD8-GFP  
 (G) y, w; 40A, *dpr12<sup>Δ50-81</sup>*, G13/+; R18H09/UAS-mCD8-GFP  
 (H) y, w; 40A, *dpr12<sup>Δ50-81</sup>*, G13/40A, *dpr12<sup>Δ50-81</sup>*, G13; R18H09/UAS-mCD8-GFP

## METHOD DETAILS

### RNA extraction

The RNA extraction of WT and UNF-RNAi expressing MB  $\gamma$  neurons was performed as described in Ref #15. In brief, brains were dissected in a cold Ringer's solution and dissociated by incubation with collagenase/dispase mix at 29°C (Roche, 15 minutes for larval and pupal brains and 30 minutes for adult brains), washed in dissociation solution (Sigma-Aldrich), and mechanically dissociated into single cells. Cells were transferred via 35  $\mu$ m mesh (Falcon) to eliminate clusters and debris. 1000  $\gamma$  neurons (DsRed<sup>+</sup>) were sorted using a 100  $\mu$ m nozzle and low pressure in BD FACSAria Fusion (BD Bioscience) directly into 100  $\mu$ l Pico-Pure RNA isolation kit extraction buffer (Life Technologies) followed by RNA extraction. mRNA was captured using 12 ml of Dynabeads oligo (Life Technologies), which were washed from unbound total RNA according to the protocol. mRNA was eluted from beads at 85°C with 10 ml of 10 mM Tris-Cl (pH 7.5). mRNA was barcoded, converted into cDNA and linearly amplified by T7 *in vitro* transcription. The resulting RNA was fragmented and converted into an Illumina sequencing-ready library through ligation, RT, and PCR. Prior to sequencing, libraries were evaluated by Qubit fluorometer and TapeStation (Agilent).

### Analysis of RNA-Seq Data

Samples were sequenced using Illumina NextSeq 500, at a sequencing depth of an average of 5 million reads. We aligned the reads to *D. melanogaster* reference genome (DM6, UCSC) using Hisat v0.1.5 with “-sensitive -local” parameters (Kim et al., 2015). Gene annotation were taken from FlyBase.org (Dmel R6.01/Fb\_2014\_04). Duplicate reads were filtered if they aligned to the same base and had identical unique molecular identifiers (UMI). Expression levels were counted using HOMER software (<http://homer.salk.edu>) (Heinz et al., 2010). For general analyses, we considered genes with reads over the noise threshold (20 reads). Significant expression in the  $\gamma$  neurons considered for genes with reads over a second noise threshold (50 reads) in at least two  $\gamma$  neuron. For normalization and statistics, we performed DEseq2 algorithm (Love et al., 2014) on our samples on R platform, which took into account batch effects. All p values presented for RNA-seq data are adjusted p values. Gene enrichment analysis was done using FlyMine (<http://www.flymine.org/>).

### Generation of CRISPR mediated mutant

For Dpr12 mutation two guide RNA were designed using the FlyCRISPR algorithm (<http://flycrispr.molbio.wisc.edu/>) and cloned into pCFD4 using Transfer-PCR (TPCR) (Unger et al., 2010, Melzer et al, under revision). The pCFD4-Dpr12 plasmid was injected into 86FB landing sites using  $\Phi$ C31 integration (BestGene). Injected flies were crossed with nanos-Cas9 flies (Bloomington stock #54591). After two generations, single males were crossed with balancers and checked for deletion using specific primers. The Dpr12 <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup> allele is a 32bp deletion in the 5' end of the transcript resulting in a premature stop after 37aa.

For tissue-specific CRISPR (tsCRISPR) Dpr12 and DIP- $\delta$  gRNA containing flies were crossed with UAS-Cas9.C or UAS-Cas9.P2 respectively, and the indicated Gal4s.

### Generation of transgenes and transgenic flies

To generate UAS-Dpr12 and UAS-DIP- $\delta$  transgenes, cDNA was cloned into the Gateway entry vector pDONR201. The Gateway entry vectors were then recombined into pDEST-UAS-IVS-Syn21-p10aw destination vector (Rabinovich et al., 2016) using LR recombinase (Invitrogen). UAS-Dpr12 and UAS-DIP- $\delta$  plasmids were injected into 86FB and attp40 landing sites, respectively, using  $\Phi$ C31 integration (BestGene). For the generation of UAS-DIP- $\delta$  RNAi, 21 nucleotide sequence was selected using DSIR (<http://biodev.extra.cea.fr/DSIR/DSIR.php>). Off target results were eliminated by blast in NCBI. The RNAi hairpins were cloned into pVALIUM22 as described in <https://fgr.hms.harvard.edu/cloning-and-sequencing>. In brief, hairpins oligos, containing sense and anti-sense nucleotide with overhangs DNA fragment for *NheI* and *EcoRI* were synthesized (Sigma). 10  $\mu$ l of sense and antisense strand oligos (10-20  $\mu$ M each) were annealed into 80  $\mu$ l annealing buffer (10 mM Tris-HCL, pH7.5, 0.1M NaCl, 1mM EDTA) by incubation at 95°C for 5 min. 6  $\mu$ l of the annealed oligos were directly cloned in to pVALIUM22 vector which has been linearized by *NheI* and *EcoRI*.

DIP- $\delta$  hairpins oligos (CAPS represent gene specific sequences):

ctagcagtGACGATAAGAAACCTACAATAtagttatattcaagcataTTGTAGGTTTCTTATCGTC  
AGgcg

aattcgcCTGACGATAAGAAACCTACAAtatgcttgaatataactaTATTGTAGGTTTCTTATCGT  
Cactg

UAS-DIP- $\delta$  RNAi plasmid was injected into attp40 landing sites, using  $\Phi$ C31 integration (BestGene).

### Generation of *DIP- $\delta^{T2A-Gal4}$*

*DIP- $\delta^{T2A-Gal4}$*  was generated as described in (Diao et al., 2015). In brief, flies carrying the MiMIC<sup>M108287</sup> insertion were crossed with the flies bearing the triplet donor cassettes (Trojan Gal4 cassettes of the three reading frames). Males from this progeny carrying both components were crossed to females carrying germline transgenic sources of Cre and  $\Phi$ C31. Adult progeny with all relevant components were crossed to UAS-GFP balanced on the 3<sup>rd</sup> chromosome. Single males from this final cross were screened by fluorescence microscopy for Gal4 expression.

### Generation of QF2 driver

To generate the R71G10-QF2 driver, the QF2 sequence was amplified from pattB-DSCP\_prom-QF7-hsp70\_term (a gift from Chris potter) using the QF-F and QF-R primers, and cloned into pBPGUw plasmid, using the Gibson assembly kit (NEB) to create pBPGUw-QF2. Then the GMR71G10 entry vector (Alyagor et al., 2018) was recombined into pBPGUw-QF2 using LR recombinase (Invitrogen). Finally, the DSCP promoter region within the GMR71G10-QF2 was replaced with hsp70 promoter by RF cloning using the hspF and hspR primers. The GMR71G10-QF2<sup>hsp70</sup> plasmid was injected into attp40 landing sites, using  $\Phi$ C31 integration (BestGene).

QF-F TAAGCCAACTTTGAATCACAAGACGCATACCAAACGGTACATGCCACCCAAG  
QF-R

TGAATAATTTTCTATTTGGCTTTAGTCGACGGTATCGATAATCACTGTTTCGT

HspF



AAGTGGTGATAAACGGCCGGCCGAGCGCCGGAGTATAAATAGAG  
HspR  
AAGTGGTGATAAACGGCCGGCCGAGCGCCGGAGTATAAATAGAG

### **Generation of MARCM clones**

Due to Dpr12 centromeric chromosomal location we could not generate dpr12 mutant clones and instead expressed dpr12-RNAi within  $\gamma$  neuron clones. MB  $\gamma$  neuron MARCM clones were generated as described in (Lee and Luo, 1999). In brief, flies were heat shocked (hs) for 40-60 min at 37° C at 24hr after egg laying and examined at the indicated developmental time points.

To discover the mitotic window which results in adult PAM neurons, we used the MARCM technique to generate *DIP- $\delta^{T2A-Gal4}$*  clones by hs at different developmental times. Only hs at 0-24hr after egg laying resulted in clones containing PAM neurons, and therefore this hs regime was used in this study. Importantly, here mitotic recombination was performed using FRT40A and used to eliminate Gal80 expression but *DIP- $\delta$*  remained heterozygous as it is on another chromosome.

### **Immunostaining and imaging**

Brains were dissected in ringer solution, fixed using 4% paraformaldehyde (PFA) for 20 minutes at room temperature (RT) and washed with PB with 0.3% Triton-X (PBT, 3 immediate washes followed by 3 X 20 minute washes). Non-specific staining was blocked using 5% heat inactivated goat serum in PBT and then samples were subjected to primary antibodies (over-night, 4°C) and secondary antibodies (2 hours at RT) with PBT washes (3 quick washed followed by 3 X 20 minute washes). The brains were mounted on SlowFade (Invitrogen) and imaged using Zeiss LSM800 confocal microscope. Images were processed with ImageJ 1.51 (NIH). Individual neurons were traced manually through all focal planes using the Edge Detection Settings of the Analyze Paint Brush VVD selection tool (Takashi Kawase). Thresholding was individually adapted for each focal plane and neuronal structures and refined through the Analyze Erase tool whenever necessary.

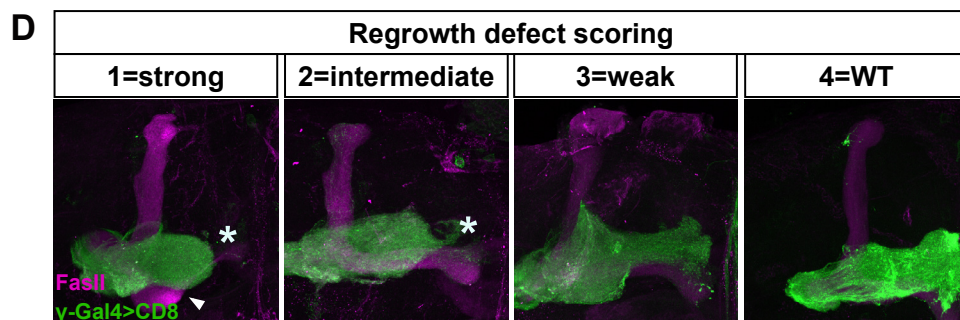
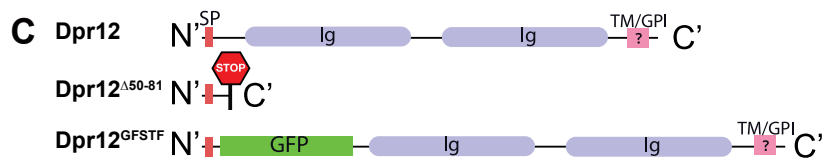
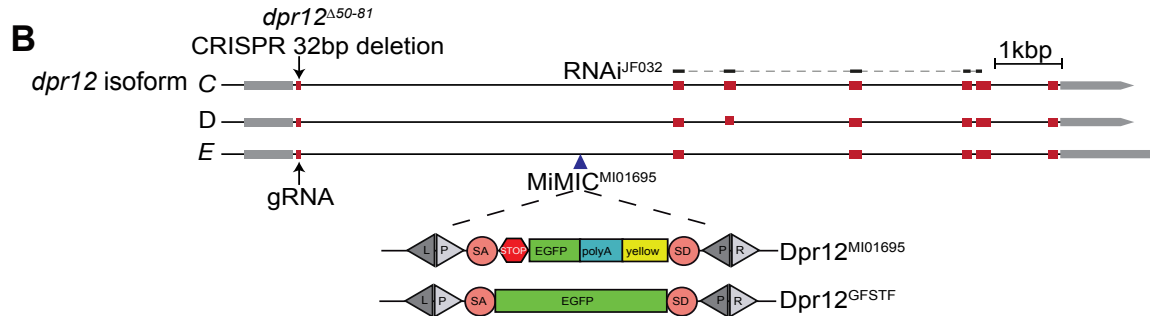
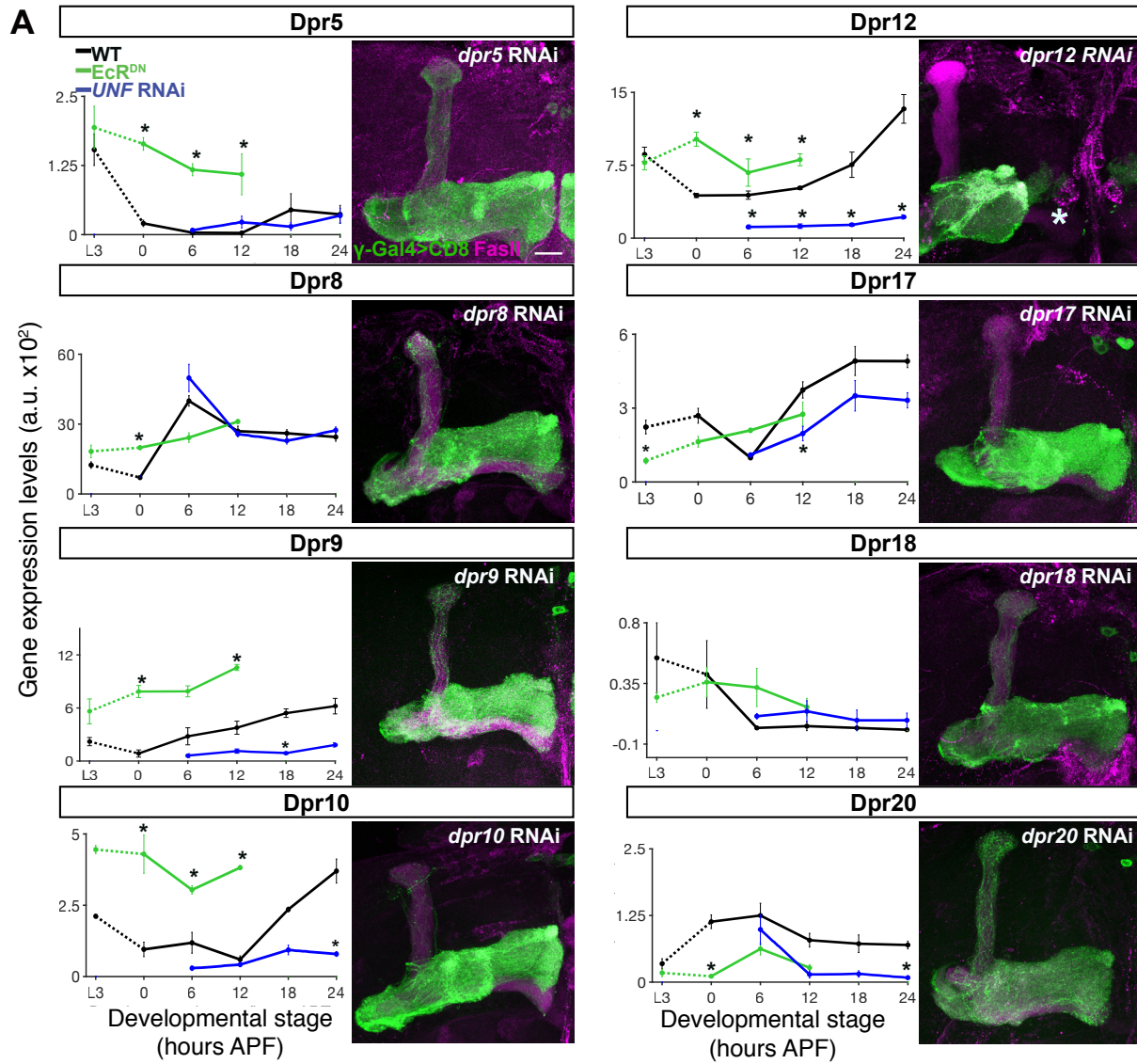
For Brp staining brains were blocked in 2% bovine serum albumine (BSA) in PBT for 2 hr at RT, incubated with mouse anti-brp antibody for two days at 4°C then incubated with secondary antibody for an over-night at 4°C. Next, brains were transferred to a poly-L-lysine (Sigma Aldrich. # P1524-25MG) pre-treated cover glasses (22x22x1; Fisher Scientific. # 12-542B), fixed, dehydrated in ascending alcohol series (30%, 50%, 75%, 95% and 3 x 100%, 10 min each), incubated in Xylene 2 X 10 min and embedded in DPX (Electron Microscopy Sciences; # 180627-05) and incubated for at least 4 days. Confocal laser scanning microscopy was done using an Olympus microscope equipped with a Plan-Apochromat 20x objective. Taken images were analyzed using VVD Viewer (Takashi Kawase).

### **Quantification and statistical analysis**

In all cases, statistical significance was calculated as follows: \*\*\* represent a P-value lower than 0.001; \*\* represent a P-value lower than 0.01 and \* represents a P-value lower than 0.05. Specific p-values and sample sizes are indicated in the relevant figure legends.

For quantification of regrowth (Figure 1, and 4), confocal Z-stacks were given to an independent lab member who blindly ranked the severity of the regrowth defects. For statistical analysis Kruskal-Wallis test was performed followed by a Wilcoxon–Mann–Whitney test post-hoc test.

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## Supplemental Figures and Legends

### Figure S1. Knock down of *dpr12* results in regrowth phenotype and description of *Dpr12* alleles used in the study, related to Figure 1.

(A) Left: Graphs depicting the normalized RNA expression levels of selected Dprs in WT  $\gamma$ -KCs (black), and in  $\gamma$ -KCs expressing EcR<sup>DN</sup> (green) or UNF-RNAi (blue). \* $p < 0.05$ ; Error bars indicate SEM; units on the y axis are arbitrary. Right: Confocal z-projections of adult  $\gamma$ -KCs expressing RNAi transgenes as indicated labeled with membrane bound GFP (mCD8-GFP; CD8) driven by the  $\gamma$  specific Gal4 driver GMR71G10-Gal4 ( $\gamma$ -Gal4).

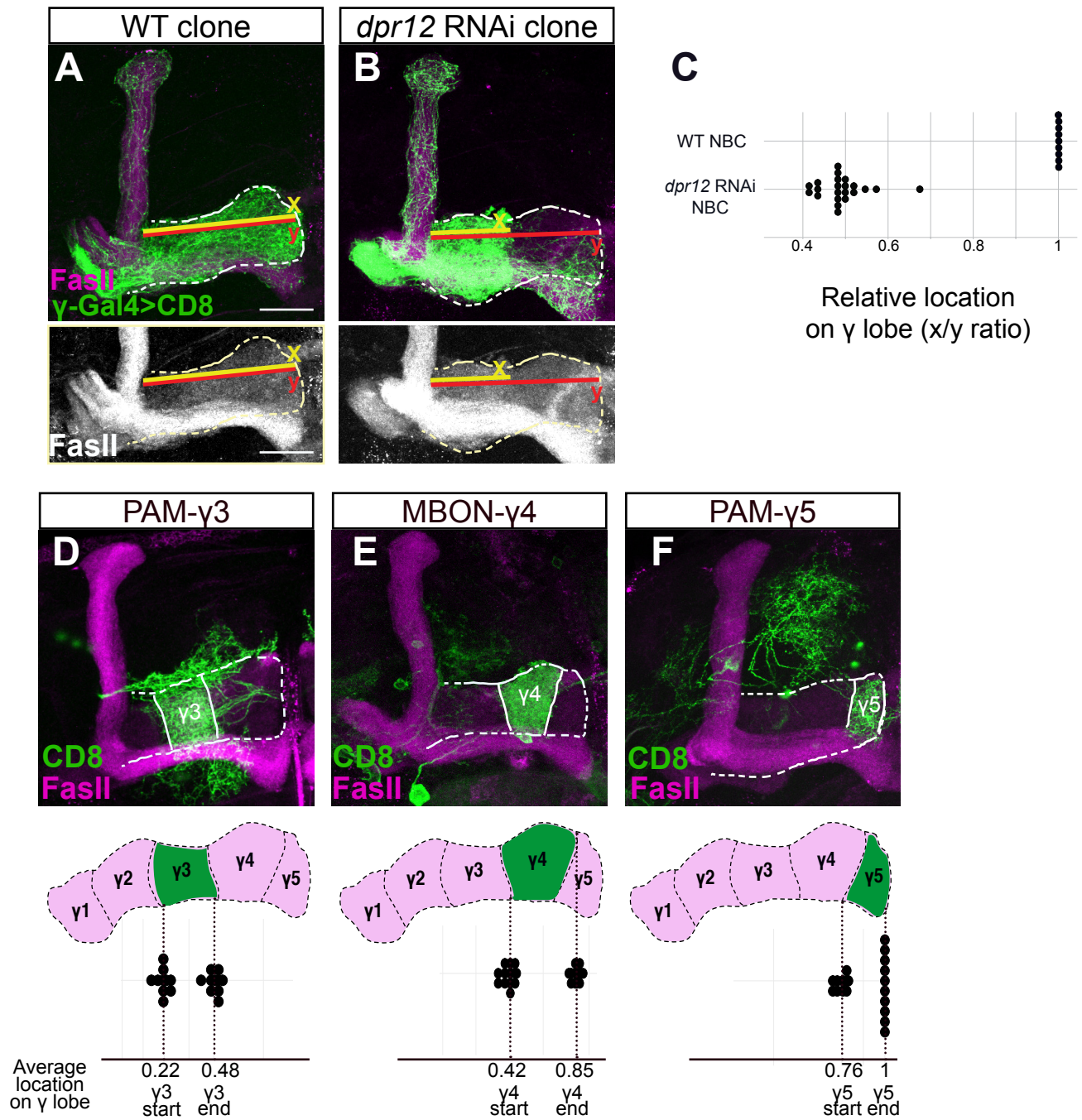
(B) A schematic representation of the *Dpr12* locus showing introns (black line), coding and non-coding exons (red and gray, respectively). The location of *Dpr12* gRNA (arrow), *dpr12* <sup>$\Delta$ 50-81</sup> mutation (arrow), *dpr12* RNAi<sup>JF03210</sup> (black lines connected with dashed lines) and MiMIC<sup>MI01695</sup> (arrowhead) are indicated. SA and SD are splice acceptor and donor sites, respectively. Recombination mediated cassette exchange was used to transform *Dpr12*<sup>MI01695</sup> into *Dpr12*<sup>GFSTF</sup>.

(C) A schematic representation of *Dpr12* protein variants. Signal peptide (SP), Immunoglobulin (Ig), transmembrane (TM) and GPI anchor (GPI).

(D) Ranking of regrowth: Confocal z-projections of adult  $\gamma$ -KCs labeled with membrane bound GFP (mCD8-GFP; CD8) driven by the  $\gamma$  specific Gal4 driver GMR71G10-Gal4 ( $\gamma$ -Gal4). Representative images of the regrowth defect severity (1=strong, 2=intermediate, 3=weak, 4=WT) described in Figure 1O. Arrowhead demarcates short  $\beta$  lobe, which appear in approximately 40% of *dpr12* homozygous mutant brains, but not in *dpr12*-RNAi expressing brains.

Asterisk demarcates the distal tip of the  $\gamma$  lobe. Green is CD8-GFP; magenta is FasII staining; Scale bar is 20 $\mu$ m.

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**Figure S2. Measurements of  $\gamma$ -axon outgrowth, related to Figure 2.**

(A-B) Confocal z-projections of WT (A) and *dpr12* RNAi (B) MARCM neuroblast clones (NBC) labeled with membrane bound GFP (mCD8-GFP; CD8) driven by the  $\gamma$  specific Gal4 driver GMR71G10-Gal4 ( $\gamma$ -Gal4).

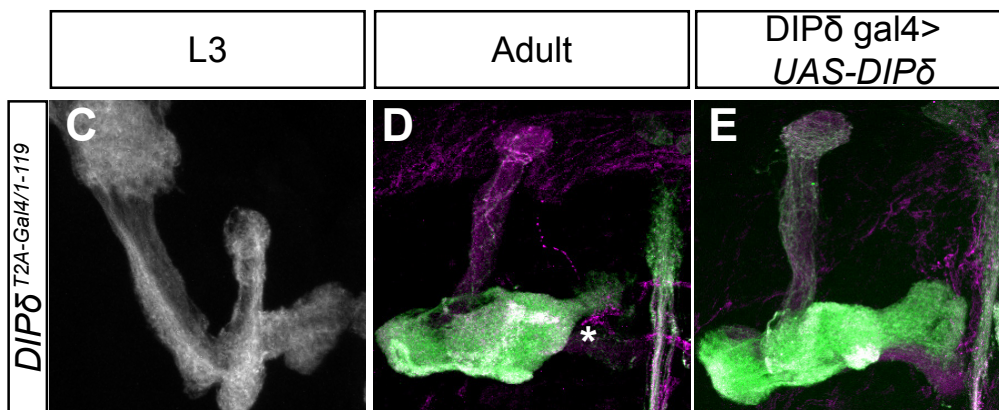
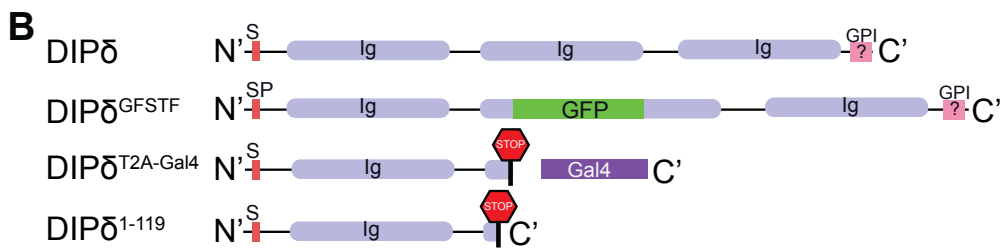
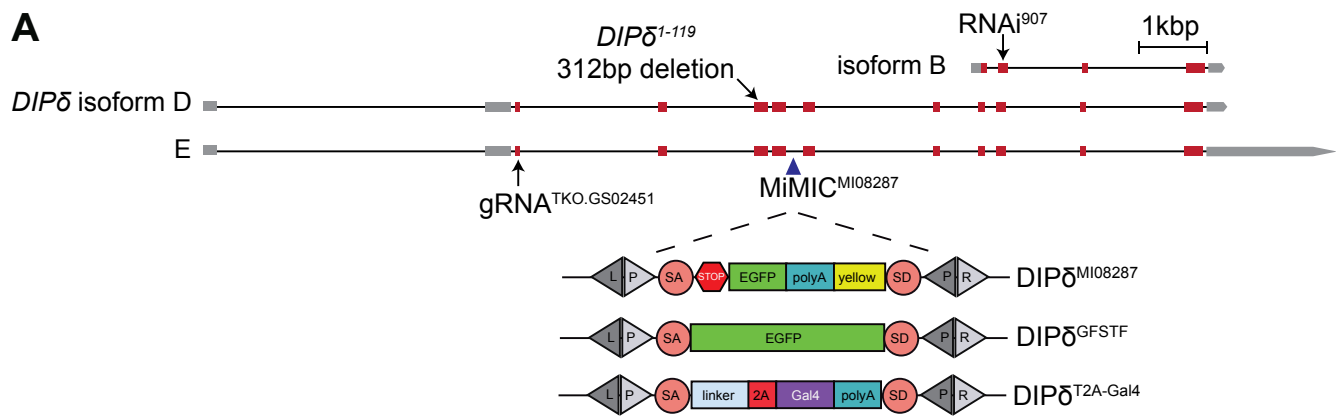
y (red) represents the length of the entire  $\gamma$ -lobe as indicated; x (yellow) represents the extent of clonal  $\gamma$ -axon outgrowth.

(C) Measurements of the x/y ration as depicted in A-B. While WT NBC always extend up to the end of the lobe, *dpr12* RNAi NBC stop at about midway (x/y ratio of  $0.48 \pm 0.05$ ).

(D-F) Top: Confocal z-projections of PAM- $\gamma$ 3 (D, MB441B), MBON- $\gamma$ 4 (E, R18H09), and PAM- $\gamma$ 5 (F, R48H11) Gal4s driving the expression of mCD8-GFP (CD8). Bottom: start and end of the indicated zone is superimposed on a schematic representation of the adult  $\gamma$  lobe compartments. (D)  $\gamma$ 3 zone begins at x/y ratio of  $0.22 \pm 0.03$  and ends at  $0.48 \pm 0.03$ . (E)  $\gamma$ 4 zone begins at x/y ratio of  $0.42 \pm 0.04$  and ends at  $0.85 \pm 0.03$ . (F)  $\gamma$ 5 zone begins at x/y ratio of  $0.76 \pm 0.03$  and ends at a mean ratio of 1.

Green is CD8-GFP; magenta and white represent FasII; Scale bar is 20 $\mu$ m.

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**Figure S3. Description of *DIP-δ* alleles used in the study and additional *DIP-δ* loss of function phenotypes, related to Figure 4.**

(A) A schematic representation of the *DIP-δ* locus showing introns (black line), coding and non-coding exons (red and gray, respectively). The location of *DIP-δ* gRNA, *DIP-δ*<sup>119</sup> mutation, *DIP-δ* RNAi and MiMIC<sup>Mi08287</sup> are indicated. SA and SD are splice acceptor and donor sites, respectively. Recombination mediated cassette exchange was used to transform *DIP-δ*<sup>Mi08287</sup> into *DIP-δ*<sup>GFSTF</sup> and *DIP-δ*<sup>T2A-Gal4</sup>.

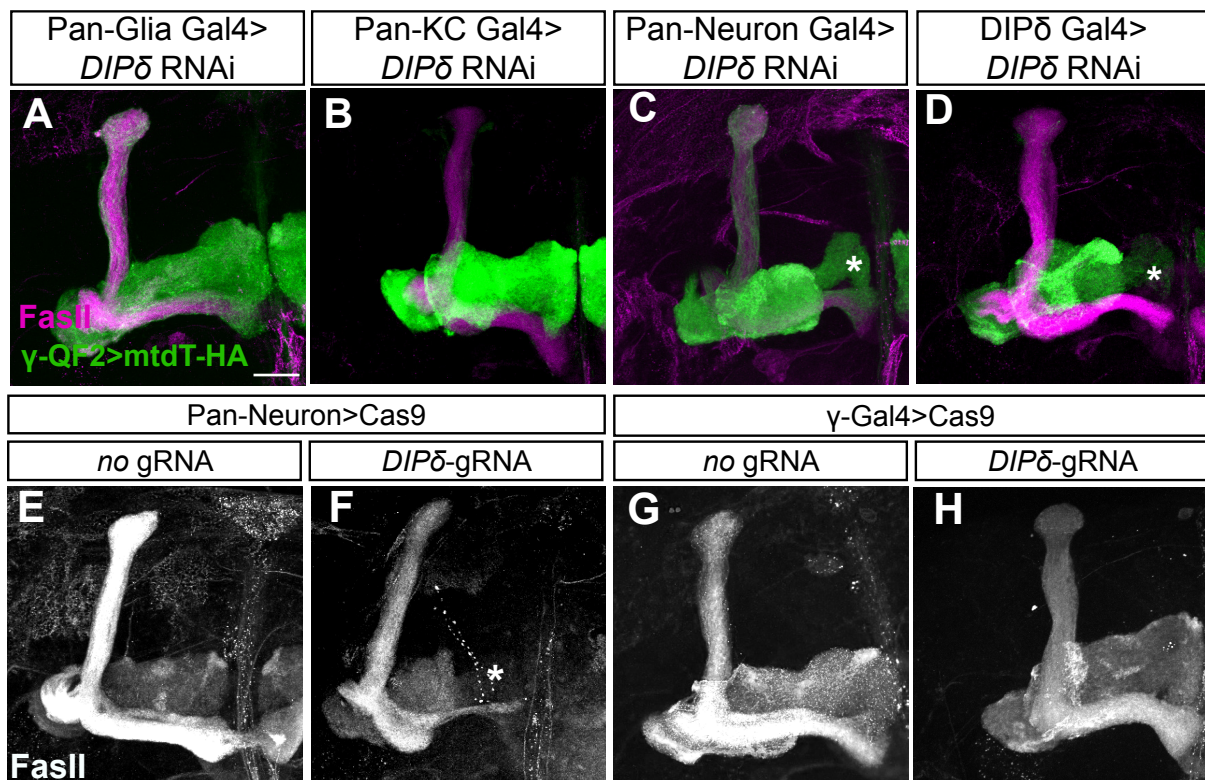
(B) A schematic description of *DIP-δ* protein variants. Signal peptide (SP), Immunoglobulin (Ig), and GPI anchor (GPI).

(C-E) Confocal z-projections of *DIP-δ* transheterozygotes (*DIP-δ*<sup>T2A-Gal4/1-119</sup>) at L3 (C; n=20/20) and adult (D; n=12/12, E; n=22/23), in which in which  $\gamma$  neurons were marked by expressing membrane bound tandem tomato (mtdT-HA) driven by the  $\gamma$  specific QF2 driver GMR71G10-QF2 ( $\gamma$ -QF2). In *DIP-δ* transheterozygotes, as in homozygous mutants (see Figure 4),  $\gamma$  neurons do not extend into the distal end of the lobe. Expression of *DIP-δ* in *DIP-δ*<sup>+</sup> cells (E), rescues the growth defect present in *DIP-δ*<sup>T2A-Gal4/1-119</sup> brains.

Green and white represent mtdT-HA; magenta represents FasII staining; Scale bar is 20 $\mu$ m.



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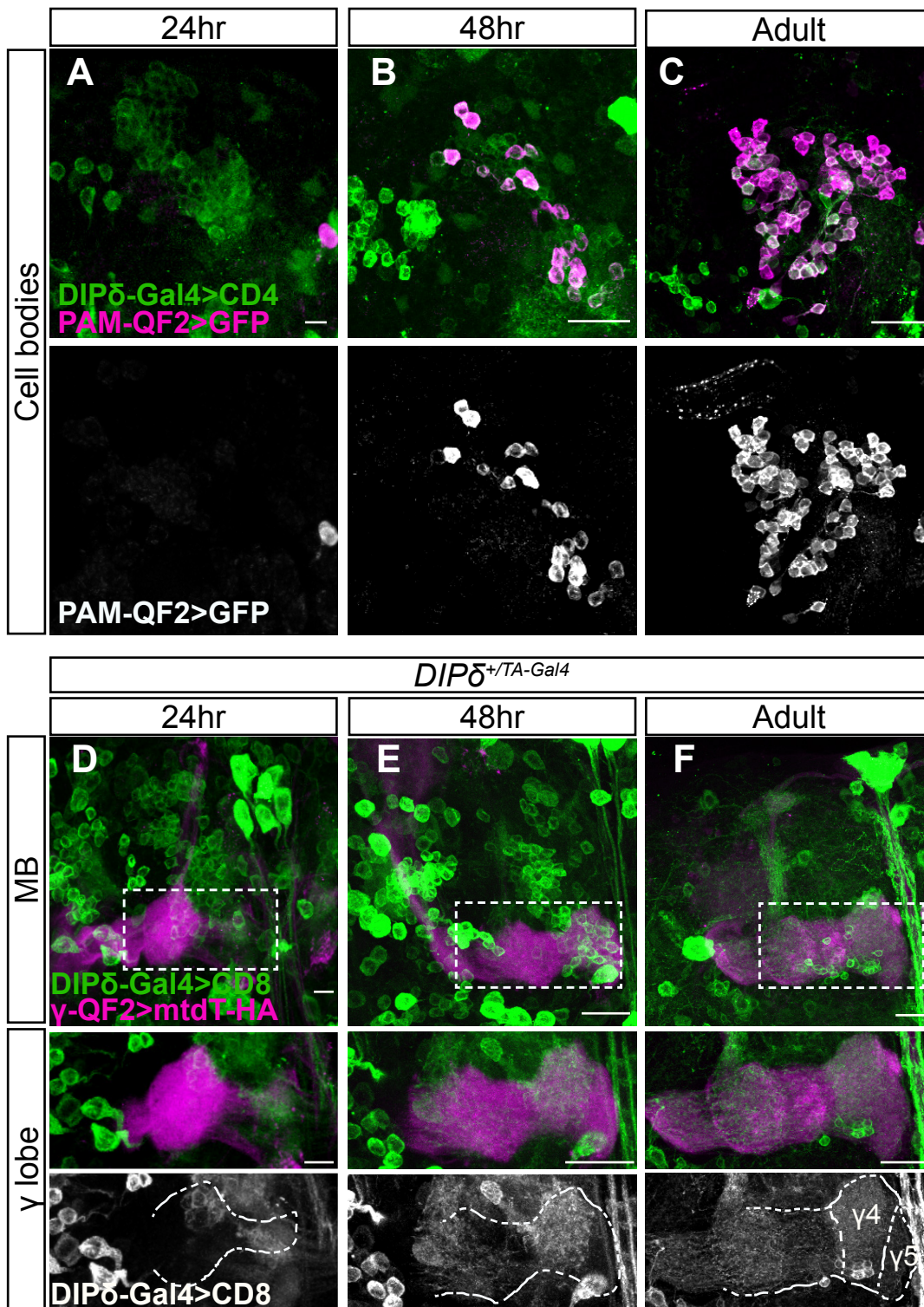
**Figure S4. *DIP-δ* is non-cell-autonomously required for  $\gamma$ -axon regrowth, related to Figure 4.**

(A-D) Confocal z-projections of brains expressing *DIP-δ*-RNAi driven by the indicated Gal4.  $\gamma$ -KCs are labeled by membrane bound tandem tomato (mtdT-HA) driven by the  $\gamma$  specific QF2 driver GMR71G10-QF2 ( $\gamma$ -QF2). Expression of *DIP-δ*-RNAi in all glia (Repo-Gal4, L; n=28/28) or all KCs (OK107-Gal4, M; n=12/12) did not affect  $\gamma$  neuron regrowth. In contrast, expression of *DIP-δ*-RNAi in all postmitotic neurons (C155-Gal4, N; n=9/12) or *DIP-δ* expressing neurons (*DIP-δ*<sup>T2A-Gal4</sup>, O; n=21/22) induced a defect in  $\gamma$ 4/5 innervation by  $\gamma$ -axons.

(E-H) Confocal z-projections of brains expressing UAS-Cas9 alone (E,G) or together with *DIP-δ*-gRNA (F,H). *DIP-δ* knockout by tsCRISPR in all postmitotic neurons (F; n=22/24) resulted in a defect in  $\gamma$ 4/5 innervation by  $\gamma$ -axons, while *DIP-δ* knockout by tsCRISPR in  $\gamma$ -KCs (H; n=28/28) did not affect  $\gamma$ -axon regrowth. Expression of Cas9 alone (E, n=10/10; G, n=14/14) did not affect  $\gamma$ -axon regrowth.

Green is mtdT-HA; magenta and white represent FasII staining; Scale bar is 20 $\mu$ m.

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**Figure S5. Characterization of PAM and DIP- $\delta$  Gal4s, related to Figure 5.**

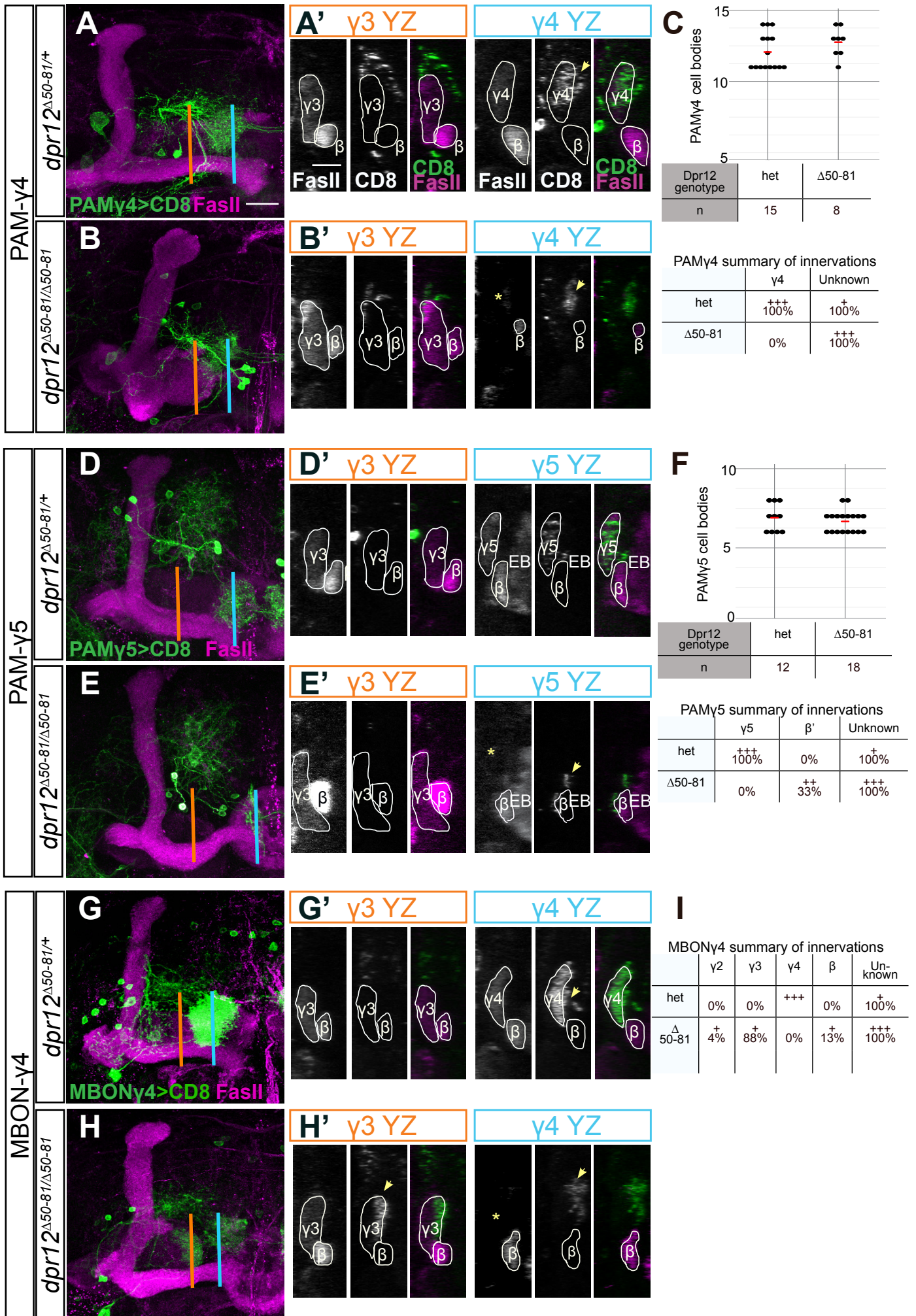
(A-C) Confocal z-projections of the cell body region of the PAM cluster demonstrating the expression of membrane bound tandem tomato (CD4-tdT; CD4) driven by *DIP- $\delta^{T2A-Gal4}$*  (DIP- $\delta$ -Gal4) in addition to GFP driven by the PAM specific QF2 driver GMR58E02-QF2 (PAM-QF2). The PAM-QF2 driver is not expressed at 24hr APF (A, n=12), starts to be expressed at 48hr APF (B, n=10) and fully expressed and localized with DIP- $\delta$ -Gal4 in adult (C, n=14).

(D-F) Confocal z-projections of heterozygous brains (*DIP- $\delta^{+T2A-Gal4}$* ) in which DIP- $\delta$  positive neurons were labeled by membrane bound GFP (mCD8-GFP; CD8) driven by DIP- $\delta$ -Gal4.  $\gamma$ -KCs were marked by expressing membrane bound tandem tomato (mtdT-HA) driven by the  $\gamma$  specific QF2 driver GMR71G10-QF2 ( $\gamma$ -QF2). Bottom: high magnification images, as demarcated by dashed box in top panels.

Dashed outline demarcates  $\gamma$ -lobe as depicted by FasII staining.  $\gamma$ 4/5 zones are indicated in adult. D, n=20; E, n=16; F, n=26.

Scale bar is 20 $\mu$ m.

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**Figure S6. Phenotypic analysis of PAM and MBON innervation of the MB  $\gamma$ -lobe in *Dpr12* mutant brains, related to Figure 7.**

(A-B, D-E, G-H) Left: Confocal z-projections of *dpr12* heterozygous or homozygous mutant brains (also shown in Figure 6) expressing membrane bound GFP (CD8) driven by: (A-B) R10G03-Gal4 is used to label PAM neurons innervating the  $\gamma$ 4 compartment (PAM- $\gamma$ 4); (D-E) R48H11-Gal4 is used to label PAM neurons innervating the  $\gamma$ 5 compartment (PAM- $\gamma$ 5); (G-H) R18H09-Gal4 is used to label MBON innervating the  $\gamma$ 4 compartment (MBON- $\gamma$ 4). Right: YZ projections along the indicated lines in  $\gamma$ 3 (orange) and  $\gamma$ 4 or  $\gamma$ 5 (blue) compartments.

(C,F,I) Top: Cell body numbers of the indicated neurons in *dpr12* heterozygous and homozygous brains; Bottom: Summary of innervation destinations. Unknown means stereotypic projections to unidentifiable domains.

Green is CD8-GFP, magenta is FasII, grayscale single channels are shown as indicated. Asterisks mark missing innervation and arrows mark innervations outside the  $\gamma$  lobe. Scale bar is 20 $\mu$ m in A-B, D-E, G-H and 10 $\mu$ m in A'-B',D'-E',G'-H'.

**Movie legends and Table descriptions**

**Movie S1: Tracing of control  $\gamma$  single cell clones**

Confocal reconstructions control MARCM  $\gamma$  single cell clones. Stacks were taken from Figure 2I, and used to trace single axons in Figure 2I' which were included in the quantification in Figure 2N.

**Movie S2: Tracing of *dpr12-RNAi*  $\gamma$  single cell clones**

Confocal reconstructions MARCM  $\gamma$  single cell clones expressing *dpr12-RNAi*. Stacks were taken from Figure 2L, and used to trace single axons in Figure 2L' which were included in the quantification in Figure 2N.

**Movie S3: Structure of  $\gamma$ -lobe compartments in WT brain**

Confocal reconstruction of a control brain ( $w^*$ ) stained with anti-Brp (the same brain that is presented in Figure 7G). The adult  $\gamma$ -lobe compartments ( $\gamma$ 1- $\gamma$ 5) are marked with yellow, green, cyan, blue and light blue. The adult  $\alpha\beta$  and  $\alpha'\beta'$  neurons are marked with magenta and red respectively. Scale bar is 20 $\mu$ m.

**Movie S4: Structure of  $\gamma$ -lobe compartments in *dpr12* mutant brain**

Confocal reconstruction of *dpr12* homozygous mutant brain stained with anti-Brp (as presented at Figure 7H). The adult  $\gamma$ -lobe compartments ( $\gamma$ 1- $\gamma$ 4) are marked with

yellow, green, cyan, and blue. Note that the  $\gamma 5$  and most of the  $\gamma 4$  compartments are missing. The adult  $\alpha\beta$  and  $\alpha'\beta'$  neurons are marked with magenta and red respectively. Scale bar is 20 $\mu\text{m}$ .

**Table S1: Normalized RNAseq data**

Normalized and averaged RNAseq profiling of WT MB  $\gamma$  neurons during development (taken from ref 14), compared to expression profiles of MB  $\gamma$  neurons expressing UNF-RNAi.

**Table S2: Expression analysis of the Dpr/DIP families**

Normalized and averaged RNAseq values of Dpr and DIP transcripts in WT MB  $\gamma$  neurons during development (taken from ref 14), compared to expression profiles of MB  $\gamma$  neurons expressing UNF-RNAi.

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