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Hypoxia sensing requires H₂S-dependent persulfidation of olfactory receptor 78

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figure S1. NaHS increases cAMP fluorescence in HEK293 cells expressing OR51E2. Intensity of cAMP fluorescence was measured with a fluorescence plate reader and presented as the ratio of absolute change (stimuli-baseline) and baseline (Δ F/F0). (**A**) Cells expressing the human ortholog OR51E2 of mouse Olfr78 or the unrelated mouse odorant receptor mOR-EG were exposed to 50 μ M NaHS or vehicle and the change in the intensity of cAMP fluorescence was determined during the entire 5 min after NaHS application. (**B**) cAMP response of cells transfected with Olfr78 (+) but not with vector plasmids (-) to the adrenergic receptor agonist isoproterenol (ISOP, 5 μ M) or the Olfr78 ligand sodium acetate (NaAce, 15mM) during the entire 5 min after application. Numbers above the bars represent the number of experiments. **, *P* < 0.01; ***, *P*<0.001; ns, *P* > 0.05; Mann-Whitney test, or *t*- test (ISOP).

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Cysteine residue
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mss <mark>c</mark> nfthat	flligipgle	eahfwfgfpl	4
lsmyavalfg	n <mark>c</mark> ivvfivrt	erslhapmyl	42
fl <mark>c</mark> mlaaidl	alststmpki	lalfwfdsre	63
itfda <mark>c</mark> laqm	ffihtlsaie	stillamafd	96
ryvai <mark>c</mark> hplr	haavlnntvt	vqigmvalvr	126
gslfffplpl	likrlaf <mark>c</mark> hs	nvlshsy <mark>c</mark> vh	168,178
qdvmklaytd	tlpnvvyglt	aillvmgvdv	
mfislsyfli	irtvlqlpsk	serakafgt <mark>c</mark>	240
vshisvvlaf	yvpliglsvv	hrfgnsldpi	
vhvlmgdvyl	llppvinpii	ygaktkqirt	
rvlamfkis <mark>c</mark>	dkdieaggnt		310

figure S2. Primary amino acid sequence of mouse Olfr78 showing Cys residues. Cys

residues are highlighted yellow.



figure S3. MS/MS spectra of peptides containing persulfidated Cys residues. A) Cys⁹⁶ peptide containing CyS-S-IAM label (m/z +89.09). **B**) Cys²⁴⁰ peptide containing CyS-S-IAM label (m/z +89.09). **C**) Cys³¹⁰ peptide containing CyS-S-IAM label (m/z +89.09).





figure S4. Quantification of persulfidated Cys240 peptide of Olfr78 isolated from HEK cells treated with 1 mM aminooxyacetic acid (AOAA) and propargyl glycine (PG) or vehicle (control). Inlet representing fragmentation and extracted ion chromatogramme (XIC) is shown.



figure S5. Substituting Cys²⁴⁰ with alanine impairs trafficking of Olfr 78 to the membrane in HEK-293 cells. Cell surface detection of live cells (*surface*) and in the cytosol (*cytoplasmic*) Scale: 10μm. N=4 individual experiments.



figure S6. Carotid body sensory nerve (CSN) responses to NaHS and hypoxia are unaltered by mito tempo. (A-B) Examples of carotid body sensory nerve (CSN) responses to 50 μ M NaHS (A) or hypoxia (Hx; PO₂ ~40 mmHg, B) in presence of vehicle or Mito Tempo from a wild type mouse. (C-D) Average (mean ± SEM) and individual data of CSN responses to NaHS (C) and hypoxia (Hx ; D) expressed as stimulus evoked minus baseline CSN activity (Δ impulses/s). Numbers (n) represent the number of carotid bodies. ns, *P*>0.05, paired *t*-test.





figure S7. Mitochondrial membrane potential (MMP) responses of mice glomus cells to NaHS. (A-B) Examples Rhodamine 123 fluorescence intensity (% baseline) in response to 5 μ M FCCP (1 min, A), 20 μ g/ml Oligomycin complex (3 min, A) and 1, 50, and 300 μ M NaHS (each 3 min, B) in a glomus cell from wild type mouse. (C) Average (mean ± SEM) and individual data of changes in Rhodamine 123 fluorescence intensity in response to 1, 50, and 300 μ M NaHS in mice glomus cells normalized to percentage of the responses evoked by FCCP. n=32 cells. *, *P*<0.05; ns, *P* >0.05; one-way ANOVA on Ranks followed by Dunn test. (D) Examples of CSN responses to 1, 50, and 300 μ M NaHS from a wild type mouse.





figure S8. Carotid body sensory nerve (CSN) responses to NaHS. (A) Examples of CSN responses to 1, 10, and 30 μ M NaHS of *ex vivo* carotid bodies from wild type mouse. Black bars represent duration of NaHS application. (B) Average (mean \pm SEM) and individual data of CSN response to NaHS are shown. Data presented as stimulus evoked minus baseline CSN activity (Δ impulses/s). n=13 carotid bodies. *, *P*<0.05; ns, *P*>0.05; one-way ANOVA on Ranks followed by Dunn test.

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figure S9. Comparable carotid body sensory nerve (CSN) responses to CO₂ and NaCN in *Olfr78*^{+/+} and *Olfr78*^{-/-} mice. CSN responses to hypercapnia (Hc; **A**) and NaCN (**B**). Hypercapnic (Hc) application was for 5min (Hc, PCO₂= 65 mmHg), and to NaCN (3µg/ml) was applied for 90 s. Black bars represent duration of hypercapnia and NaCN application. (**C-D**) Average (mean \pm SEM) and individual data of CSN response to hypercapnia (**C**), and to NaCN (**D**) are shown. Data presented as stimulus minus baseline CSN activity (Δ impulses/s). Numbers in C and D represent number of carotid bodies. ns, *P* > 0.05. Mann-Whitney test.



figure S10. H₂S abundance of *Hmox-2/Olfr78* double null mice carotid bodies. Average data (mean \pm SEM) of H₂S generation in carotid bodies exposed to normoxia (Nx, medium PO₂~140 mmHg) and hypoxia (Hx, medium PO₂~40 mmHg) from mice of the indicated genotypes. n = 4 experiments. ***, *P* < 0.001; ns, *P* > 0.05, two-way ANOVA followed by Holm-Sidak test.



figure S11. Phrenic nerve responses to NaHS in anesthetized wild type and Olfr78 mutant mice. (A) Example tracings of efferent phrenic nerve activity in response to the indicated doses of NaHS in anesthetized and spontaneously breathing *Olfr78*^{+/+} and *Olfr78*^{-/-} mice. Body temperature of mice was kept at 38±1°C, and each concentration of NaHS was administrated within 20 s through a catheter inserted into right external jugular vein. Raw Phr., raw phrenic nerve activity. JPhr., integrated phrenic nerve activity (arbitrary units). (B-D) Quantitative data (mean ±SEM) of phrenic nerve responses to the indicated concentrations of NaHS presented as percentage of the activity before administration of NaHS or vehicle (% of baseline). Numbers represent the number

of mice in each genotype. **, P < 0.01; ***, P < 0.001; ns, P > 0.05, two-way ANOVA with repeated measures followed by Holm-Sidak test.



figure S12. Hypoxia ventilatory response is impaired in *Adcy3* -/- mice. Example tracings of breathing measured by whole body plethysmography in *Adcy3* +/+ and *Adcy3* -/- mice breathing 21% and 12% O₂.

	Adcy3 */* (n=7)		Adcy3 -/- (n=7)	
	21%O ₂	12%O ₂	21%O ₂	12%O ₂
RR (breaths/min)	184±3	258±6	186±3 ^{ns}	217±3 ***
V ₇ (μl/g)	2.73±0.16	3.53±0.21	2.79±0.18 ^{ns}	3.19±0.15 ^{ns}
<i>V_E</i> (ml/g∙min)	0.50±0.03	0.91±0.07	0.52±0.03 ^{ns}	0.69±0.03 *
V _{o₂} ((ml/g·min)	0.102±0.012	0.060±0.002	0.102±0.008 ^{ns}	$0.058 \pm 0.005^{\text{ns}}$
V _{co₂} (ml/g·min)	0.073±0.007	0.061±0.003	0.075±0.004 ^{ns}	0.066±0.005 ^{ns}
V _E / V _{O2}	5.01±0.23	15.95±0.94	5.45±0.71 ^{ns}	11.56±0.56***

table S1. Absolute values of breathing and metabolic variables in *Adcy3* ^{+/+} and *Adcy3* ^{-/-} mice breathing 21% and 12%O₂. RR respiratory rate; V_T tidal volume; V_E minute ventilation; V₀₂, oxygen consumption; V_{C02}, CO₂ production; V_E/V₀₂, ratio of minute ventilation / oxygen consumption. Number in parentheses represent number of mice. *, P < 0.05; ***, P < 0.001; ns, P> 0.05, two-way ANOVA with repeated measures followed by Holm-Sidak test.



figure S13. Ventilatory response to 5% CO₂ in *Adcy3* mutant. (A) Example tracings of breathing measured by whole body plethysmography in Adcy3 ^{+/+} and *Adcy3* ^{-/-} mice breathing 100% O₂ and 5% CO₂ + 95% O₂. **B-D**) Average and individual data of respiratory rate (RR; breaths/min; B); tidal volume normalized to body weight (V_T, μ l/g, C); minute ventilation normalized to body weight (V_E, ml/g.min, **D**). n= 7 mice for each genotype. ns, *P* > 0.05, two-way ANOVA with repeated measures followed by Holm-Sidak test.

	<i>Adcy3</i> ^{+/+} (n=7)		<i>Adcy3 ⁻/-</i> (n=7)	
	100%O ₂	95%O ₂ +5%CO ₂	100%O ₂	95%O ₂ +5%CO ₂
RR (breaths/min)	182±5	328±7	182±6 ^{ns}	339±9 ^{ns}
<i>V</i> ₇ (μl/g)	2.88±0.22	4.6±0.29	2.99±0.17 ^{ns}	4.75±0.32 ^{ns}
<i>V_E</i> (ml/g∙min)	0.52±0.03	1.51±0.09	0.54±0.04 ^{ns}	1.60±0.10 ^{ns}

table S2. Absolute values of breathing responses of Adcy3 +/+ and Adcy3 -/- mice breathing 100% O₂ and 5% CO₂. RR respiratory rate; V_T tidal volume; V_E minute ventilation. Number in parentheses represents number of mice. ns, P > 0.05, two-way ANOVA with repeated measures followed by Holm-Sidak test.

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figure S14. High K⁺ equally stimulates carotid body sensory nerve (CSN) activity in *Cnga2*^{+/+} and *Cnga2*^{+/-} mice. (A) Examples of CSN responses to 20mM KCl. Black bars represent duration of K⁺ application. (B) Average (mean \pm SEM) and individual data of CSN responses to 20 mM K⁺ expressed as K⁺-evoked CSN activity minus baseline activity (Δ impulses/s). Numbers in the represent the number of carotid bodies. *Cnga2*^{+/+} *vs Cnga2*^{+/-} ns, *P* > 0.05, Mann-Whitney test.

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figure S15. Forskolin enhances carotid body sensory nerve (CSN) and glomus cell $[Ca^{2+}]_i$ responses to hypoxia. (A) Examples of CSN responses to hypoxia (Hx, Po₂ ~40 mmHg) in the presence of vehicle or foskolin (5µM) in *Cnga2*^{+/+} and *Cnga2*^{+/-} mice. (B) Average (mean ± SEM) and individual data of CSN responses to hypoxia expressed as hypoxia evoked response minus baseline CSN activity (Δ impulses/s). C) Example of $[Ca^{2+}]_i$ response to hypoxia (Hx) of glomus cells from *Cnga2*^{+/+} and *Cnga2*^{+/-} mice and individual and average data are shown in **D**. Numbers in **B** represent number of mice and in **D** indicate number of cells. ***, *P* < 0.001and ns, *P*>0.05 two-way ANOVA followed by Holm-Sidak test (**D**), or two-way ANOVA with repeated measures followed by Holm-Sidak test (**B**).



figure S16. 8-bromo cAMP enhances carotid body sensory nerve (CSN) responses to NaHS and hypoxia. (A-B) Examples of CSN responses to NaHS (50 μ M) (A) and hypoxia (Hx, pO₂ ~40 mmHg) (B) in the presence of vehicle or 8-bromo cAMP (100 μ M) in *Cnga2*^{+/+} and *Cnga2*^{+/-} mice. (C-D) Average (mean ± SEM) and individual data of CSN responses to NaHS (C) and hypoxia (Hx, PO₂ ~40 mmHg in D) expressed as stimulus evoked response minus baseline CSN activity (Δ impulses/s). Numbers (n) represent the number of carotid bodies. ***, *P* < 0.001 and ns, *P*>0.05 two-way ANOVA with repeated measures followed by Holm-Sidak test.

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figure S17. 8-Br-cGMP attenuates carotid body sensory nerve (CSN) hypoxia. (A) Examples of CSN responses to hypoxia (Hx, Po₂ ~40 mmHg) in presence of vehicle or 8-Br-cGMP (50 μ M) in a wild type mouse. (B) Average (mean ± SEM) and individual data of CSN responses to hypoxia expressed as stimulus evoked minus baseline CSN activity (Δ impulses/s). Numbers in **B** represent the number of carotid bodies. ***, *P* < 0.001; paired *t*-test.



figure S18. Hypoxic ventilatory response is impaired in *Cgna2* ^{+/-} mice. Example tracings of breathing measured by whole body plethysmography in unanesthetized *Cgna2* ^{+/+} and *Cgna2* ^{+/-} mice breathing 21% and 12% O₂.

	<i>Cnga2</i> ^{+/+} (n=7)		<i>Cnga2</i> ^{+/-} (n=7)	
	21%O ₂	12%O ₂	21%O ₂	12%O ₂
RR (breaths/min)	163±5	235±4	166±2 ^{ns}	209±4 ***
<i>V</i> ₇ (μl/g)	2.91±0.08	3.52±0.09	2.87±0.09 ^{ns}	3.14±0.10*
<i>V_E</i> (ml/g⋅min)	0.48±0.02	0.83±0.03	0.48±0.02 ^{ns}	0.66±0.03 ***
V _{o2} ((ml/g·min)	0.084±0.004	0.048±0.004	0.079±0.003 ^{ns}	0.052±0.002 ^{ns}
V _{co₂} (ml/g·min)	0.061±0.004	0.052±0.003	0.058±0.005 ^{ns}	0.055±0.002 ^{ns}
V _E / V _{O2}	5.77±0.45	18.19±1.78	6.11±0.43 ^{ns}	12.65±0.61**

table S3. Absolute values of breathing and metabolic variable responses of *Cgna2* ^{+/+} and *Cgna2* ^{+/-} mice breathing 21% and 12%O₂. RR respiratory rate; V_T tidal volume; V_E minute ventilation; V_{O2} , oxygen consumption; V_{CO2} , CO₂ production; V_{E}/V_{O2} , ratio of minute ventilation / oxygen consumption. Number in parentheses represents number of mice. *, P < 0.05; **, P < 0.01; ***, P < 0.001 and ns, P > 0.05, two-way ANOVA with repeated measures followed by Holm-Sidak test.



figure S19. Comparable breathing response to 5% CO₂ in *Cnga2*^{+/+} and *Cnga2*^{+/-} mice. (A) Example tracings of breathing measured by whole body plethysmography in *Cnga2* +/+ and *Cnga2* ^{+/-} mice breathing 100% O₂ and 5% CO₂ + 95% O₂. **B-D**) Average and individual data of respiratory rate (RR; breaths/min; **B**); tidal volume normalized to body weight (V_T , µl/g, **C**); minute ventilation normalized to body weight (V_E , ml/g.min, **D**). n= 7 mice for each genotype. ns, *P* > 0.05, two-way ANOVA with repeated measures followed by Holm-Sidak test.

	<i>Cnga2</i> ^{+/+} (n=7)		<i>Cnga2^{+/-}</i> (n=7)	
	100%O ₂	95%O ₂ +5%CO ₂	100%O ₂	95%O ₂ +5%CO ₂
RR (breaths/min)	150±5	280±10	157±4 ^{ns}	291±5 ^{ns}
<i>V</i> ₇ (μl/g)	3.13±0.09	5.26±0.18	3.05±0.11 ^{ns}	5.27±0.17 ^{ns}
<i>V_E</i> (ml/g∙min)	0.47±0.03	1.48±0.09	0.48±0.02 ^{ns}	1.54±0.07 ^{ns}

table S4. Absolute values of ventilatory responses of *Cnga2* ^{+/+} and *Cnga2* ^{+/-} mice breathing 100% O₂ and 5% CO₂. RR, respiratory rate; V_T, tidal volume; V_E, minute ventilation. Number in parentheses represents number of mice. ns, P > 0.05, two-way ANOVA with repeated measures followed by Holm-Sidak test.