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**Abstract:** Although animals can reliably locate and recognize odorants embedded in complex 43 44 environments, the neural circuits for accomplishing these tasks remain incompletely understood. Adaptation is likely to be important as it could allow neurons in a brain area to adjust to the broader 45 sensory environment. Adaptive processes must be flexible enough to allow the brain to make 46 47 dynamic adjustments, while maintaining sufficient stability so that organisms do not forget important olfactory associations. Processing within the mouse olfactory bulb is likely involved in generating 48 adaptation, although there are conflicting models of how it transforms the glomerular output of the 49 mouse olfactory bulb. Here we performed 2-photon Ca<sup>2+</sup> imaging from mitral/tufted glomeruli in 50 awake mice to determine the time course of recovery from adaptation, and whether it acts broadly or 51 selectively across the glomerular population. Individual glomerular responses, as well as the overall 52 population odor representation was similar across imaging sessions. However, odor-concentration 53 pairings presented with interstimulus intervals upwards of 30-s evoked heterogeneous adaptation that 54 was concentration-dependent. We demonstrate that this form of adaptation is unrelated to variations 55 in respiration, and olfactory receptor neuron glomerular measurements indicate that it is unlikely to be 56 inherited from the periphery. Our results indicate that the olfactory bulb output can reliably transmit 57 stable odor representations, but recent odor experiences can selectively shape neural 58 responsiveness for upwards of 30 seconds. We propose that neural circuits that allow for non-uniform 59 adaptation across mitral/tufted glomerular could be important for making dynamic adjustments in 60 complex odor environments. 61

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#### 69 Introduction.

70 Although animals can reliably locate and recognize odorants embedded in complex chemical contexts, the neural circuits for accomplishing these tasks remain incompletely understood (Gross-71 Isseroff and Lancet, 1988; Uchida and Mainen, 2007; Homma et al., 2009). The ability to attend to, 72 73 and segment different kinds of odorant information would be facilitated by adaptive processes within the brain that could adjust responsiveness based on an organism's sensory environment and internal 74 state (Verhagen et al., 2007; Wark et al., 2007; Whitmire and Stanley, 2016; Weber and Fairhall, 75 2019; Benda, 2021). Such adaptive processes should be flexible enough to allow the brain to make 76 dynamic adjustments to different sensory environments, while maintaining sufficient stability such that 77 organisms do not forget important olfactory associations. The brain areas and the mechanisms 78 underlying how adaptation transforms olfactory representations remain incompletely understood 79 (Gottfried, 2010; Martelli and Storace, 2021). 80

Odors evoke varying degrees of neural activity across the olfactory receptor neuron 81 population, yielding a combinatorial code that is transmitted to the olfactory bulb (Duchamp-Viret et 82 al., 1999; Wachowiak and Cohen, 2001; Fried et al., 2002; Storace and Cohen, 2017; Zak et al., 83 2020). Each olfactory receptor type typically maps to one or two regions of neuropil called glomeruli in 84 the olfactory bulb (Mombaerts et al., 1996: Potter et al., 2001). Mitral and tufted cells each innervate a 85 single glomerulus where they receive olfactory receptor input, and send a transformed sensory 86 representation to the rest of the brain (Igarashi et al., 2012; Storace and Cohen, 2017; Storace et al., 87 2019; Storace and Cohen, 2021). 88

Although adaptation occurs at the level of olfactory receptor neurons, adaptation is present in mitral cells that is not necessarily inherited from the periphery (Torre et al., 1995; Kurahashi and Menini, 1997; Dietz and Murthy, 2005; Chaudhury et al., 2010; Storace and Cohen, 2021). There are conflicting models of how adaptation impacts the transmission of olfactory sensory information from the bulb to the rest of the brain. There currently exists data to support the presence of adaptation that occurs gradually over days and broadly impacts the output of the bulb, as well as adaptation that is

shorter-lasting and selective in which glomerular output channels are affected (Kato et al., 2012; Ogg
et al., 2015; Ogg et al., 2018; Storace and Cohen, 2021).

We tested these models using in vivo 2-photon Ca2+ imaging from the apical dendrites of 97 mitral/tufted cells innervating the olfactory bulb glomerular layer in awake mice. A panel of odors at 98 different concentrations were delivered at different interstimulus intervals on the same day, or during 99 imaging sessions performed on different days. Odor representations across the mitral/tufted 100 glomerular population had similar amplitudes and were well correlated across trials recorded on the 101 same day separated by a minimum of 3 minutes, and in trials measured on different imaging days. 102 However, adaptation was present in response to odors delivered on shorter timescales that was 103 selective across the mitral/tufted glomerular population. Within the same imaging field of view, some 104 glomeruli responded similarly to each odor presentation, while others changed significantly. This 105 adaptation was strongest when odors were presented with a 6-s interstimulus interval and 106 concentration-dependent. Extending the interstimulus interval to 30-s resulted in an incomplete 107 recovery from adaptation. Measurements of animal respiration and odor-evoked activity in olfactory 108 receptor neuron glomeruli suggest that adaptation is unlikely to reflect variations in the organismal 109 state or sensory input. Our results indicate that the mouse olfactory bulb transmits reliable 110 representations of olfactory stimuli across time, although neural processes can selectively mediate 111 sensitivity adjustments based on recent odor exposure for upwards of 30 seconds. We propose that 112 dynamic adaptation in subsets of glomeruli would be useful for making dynamic adjustments to 113 complex odor environments (Gottfried, 2010; Martelli and Storace, 2021). 114

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## 121 Results

- 122 Odors evoke similar responses in mitral/tufted glomeruli when measured during the same imaging
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To selectively image from mitral/tufted glomeruli, the Tbx21-Cre transgenic mouse line (that expresses cre recombinase in mitral/tufted cells) was mated to the Ai148 cre-dependent GCaMP6f reporter line (Mitsui et al., 2011; Daigle et al., 2018; Koldaeva et al., 2021; Storace and Cohen, 2021). The resulting transgenic offspring were histologically confirmed to express GCaMP6f in mitral/tufted cells and their corresponding glomerular tufts (**Fig. 1A**). During *in vivo* imaging in awake mice,



**Figure 1**: (**A**) Histology illustrating GCaMP6f expression in mitral/tufted cells. (**B**) Mean fluorescence (*top*) and frame subtraction images (*bottom*) from different days. The  $\Delta$ F/F scaling is fixed for each odor and the  $\Delta$ F/F range is in the bottom right of each panel. (**C**) Single trial and mean response from four glomeruli to two odors presented at 3.5% of saturated vapor. The heat map intensity scaling fixed for all trials for each glomerulus. The  $\Delta$ F/F range for each heat map is beneath each panel. (**D**) Odor responses from individual glomeruli (thin lines) and the population mean (thick line) on each imaging day. (**E**) Correlation of signals before and during odor stimulation. (**F**) Correlation of the glomerular population response for each pair of imaging trials. gl, glomerular layer; epl, external plexiform layer; mcl, mitral cell layer.

mitral/tufted glomeruli were clearly visible in the mean fluorescence which allowed for routine tracking 129 of the same glomeruli across multiple experimental sessions (Fig. 1B, the top row is the mean 130 fluorescence from the same field of view on different days). Frame subtraction images were 131 generated by subtracting the average of the frames during the odor stimulus from the average of the 132 133 frames prior to the odor. Different odors evoked different patterns of activity across the glomerular population while the same odors evoked activity patterns that were comparable in amplitude and 134 spatial arrangement on different imaging sessions (Fig. 1B, bottom row, compare methyl valerate on 135 days 1 6 and 21, isoamyl acetate on days 8 and 9). 136

Fluorescence time course measurements from trials separated by at least 3 minutes during the 137 same recording session, and trials carried out on different imaging days had similar time course 138 dynamics and response amplitudes (Fig. 1C, the single trial heat maps are scaled to the maximum 139  $\Delta$ F/F response for each glomerulus-odor pairing). Although individual glomeruli sometimes exhibited 140 variability on different days (e.g., Fig. 1C, ROI 14), the mean response across all glomeruli within a 141 field of view was not significantly different for a given odor across different imaging sessions (Fig. 1D, 142 the thin lines are measurements from individual glomeruli, methyl valerate p = 0.7; isoamyl acetate p 143 = 0.84, the analysis only includes glomeruli in the field of view that responded to odor stimulation with 144 at least a 3 standard deviation change from baseline). 145

In glomeruli that responded to the odor, responses were highly correlated during (but not prior 146 to) odor stimulation in trials measured on the same day or on different days (Fig. 1E). The mean 147 correlation of individual glomeruli in this preparation in response to methyl valerate before and during 148 odor stimulation was  $0.08 \pm 0.01$  and  $0.62 \pm 0.02$ , respectively (range air: -0.02 - 0.34, odor: 0.04-149 0.95. N = 29 glomeruli). Similar results were obtained from individual glomeruli in response to isoamvl 150 acetate in this preparation (air:  $0.11 \pm 0.04$ , range -0.06-0.5; odor:  $0.34 \pm 0.08$ , range -0.02 - 0.9). The 151 mean glomerular response during odor stimulation was highly correlated in single trials measured on 152 the same or on different days in comparison with the time preceding the odor stimulus (Fig. 1F). The 153 mean correlation between measurements from trials measured on the same day or on different days 154

were not statistically different from one another (**Fig. 1F**, methyl valerate: same day trials  $r = 0.95 \pm$ 

0.01 N = 24; different day trials r =  $0.93 \pm 0.01$ , N = 153; p = 0.06; isoamyl acetate, same day trials r =

157  $0.39 \pm 0.1 \text{ N} = 7$ ; different day r = 0.43 ± 0.05, N = 15; p = 0.9).

In each preparation-odor pairing, imaging was carried out on up to 5 different days (4  $\pm$  0.25 imaging sessions; N = 16), separated by an average of 2.2  $\pm$  0.8 days (range included 1-18 days

160 between imaging sessions within the same preparation-odor pairings). The mean glomerular

response was not significantly different on different imaging days for individual preparation-odor

- pairing (p-values ranged from 0.16-0.97 using a Kruskal-wallis test). The population mean amplitude
- $(\Delta F/F)$  was not significantly different when imaging sessions were binned relatively (**Fig. 2A**, p =

0.66), or based on the absolute number of days between imaging sessions (Fig. 2B, p = 0.8), nor in a

165 separate analysis restricted to preparations imaged on two consecutive days (Fig. 2B, comparison

166 between data points on days 1-2, p = 0.38; 10/16

167 preparation-odor pairings). For trials measured

during the same imaging sessions or on different

169 days, the correlation of the mean glomerular

response was not significantly different from one

another (**Fig. 2C**, same day: 0.72 ± 0.05, different

172 day: 0.72 ± 0.05, p = 0.66).

173 Although these data demonstrate that the

174 responses of individual mitral/tufted glomeruli as

well as the population mean are similar in

amplitude and highly correlated during odor

stimulation, there is unexplained variability across

trials (e.g., **Fig. 1C**, ROI 29 mv). We estimated the

179 number of trials required to obtain a

representative response for a given glomerulus by



**Figure 2**: (**A**) Mean response across all responsive glomeruli for individual preparation-odor pairings (*thin lines*) and the overall mean (*thick line*) for different imaging sessions. (**B**) The results from panel **A** binned as a function of the number of days since the 1st imaging session. The number of preparation-odor pairings included in each mean is indicated at the bottom of **A-B**. (**C**) The mean correlation of the population response in each preparation-odor pairing for trials recorded on the same (*left bar*) or different days (*right bar*). (**D**) The percentage of 1000 subsamples that came within 1 standard deviation of the unsampled mean.

randomly (with replacement) selecting between 1-6 samples from all trials for each preparation-odor 181 182 pairing. This process was repeated 1000 times, each time the mean of the subsampled distribution was compared to the unsampled mean. Subsampling at least 4 trials resulted in a mean that was 183 within 1 standard deviation of the unsampled mean in 97 % of the 1000 repetitions (Fig. 2D, thin lines 184 185 are from different preparation-odor pairings). This analysis includes measurements in  $11.43 \pm 1.76$ trials per preparation-odor pairing measured at 3.2% of saturated vapor (range of 4-31 trials across all 186 imaging sessions). This result suggests that 4 repetitions of a stimulus provide sufficient information 187 to characterize the odor response of a single glomerulus. 188

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## 190 Adaptation is present in subsets of MTC glomeruli in response to 6-s interstimulus intervals.

2-photon imaging was previously used to demonstrate that mitral/tufted glomeruli exhibit adaptation in response to odors presented with an interstimulus interval of 6-s in anesthetized mice (Storace and Cohen, 2021). Because mitral/tufted cell activity and respiratory patterns can vary substantially in awake and anesthetized states, we tested whether it is present in awake mice

195 (Rinberg et al., 2006; Kato et al.,

196 2012; Wachowiak et al., 2013). The effect of repeated odor presentations 197 across the glomerular population is 198 illustrated using a frame subtraction 199 analysis in preparations in which 200 multiple odors were tested (Fig. 3). 201 The average of the frames during the 202 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> odor presentation 203 subtracted from the average of the 204 frames preceding each odor stimulus 205 visualizes glomeruli that are activated 206



**Figure 3**: (**A**) Mitral/tufted glomerular fluorescence in three preparations. (**B-D**) Frame subtraction images in response to odors presented at 3.5% of saturated vapor for the preparations in panel **A**. (*1st and 3rd*) Response to the 1st and 3rd odor presentations. The intensity-scaling is fixed to the same range. (*Difference*) Difference between the 1st and 3rd presentation. IA, isoamyl acetate; BZ, benzaldehyde; ACP, acetophenone; MV, methyl valerate; 2PE, 2-phenylethanol.

- and suppressed as white and black, respectively (Fig. 3B-D, 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> odor). The difference of the
- <sup>208</sup> average of the frames during the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> odor presentation visualizes non-adapting and adapting
- glomeruli as gray and black, respectively (Fig. 3B-D, Difference). The pattern of glomeruli activated
- by the odor, and the degree to which they adapted changed in an odor-specific way (Fig. 3B-D,
- 211 compare 1<sup>st</sup> odor presentation and difference maps for different odors). Similar results were obtained
- in all preparations in which we measured responses to at least two different odors (N = 6
- 213 preparations).

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Odor-specific responses and adaptation is further illustrated in single trial and mean



**Figure 4**: (**A**, **C**, **E**) Single trial and mean fluorescence time course from 4 glomeruli in 3 preparations in response to two odors. All four glomeruli in each preparation were measured simultaneously in the same fields of view. The odor command signal is illustrated with gray bars. The numbers underneath the heat maps indicate the max  $\Delta$ F/F across all trials for that each odor. (**B**, **D**, **F**) Mean and single trial (connected lines) odor responses from the glomeruli in panels **A**, **C**, and **E**.

fluorescence time course measurements from three preparations (Fig. 4). The same odor evoked 215 different non-adapting and adapting responses in glomeruli imaged simultaneously in the same field 216 of view (Fig. 4A, C, E). Non-adapting glomeruli included those that were excited or suppressed by the 217 odor (Fig. 4A methyl valerate ROI 2; Fig. 4C isoamyl acetate ROI 6; Fig. 4E methyl valerate ROIs 29 218 219 and 1). All preparation-odor pairings had other glomeruli in the same field of view that responded to the 3<sup>rd</sup> odor presentation differently than to the 1<sup>st</sup>. This included glomeruli which returned to baseline 220 following odor removal (Fig. 4A, 2-phenylethanol ROI 63; Fig. 4C isoamyl acetate ROI 51), and 221 others that exhibited a slow decaying response (Fig. 4A, acetophenone ROI 63). Other adapting 222 alomeruli responded with a calcium increase in response to the 1<sup>st</sup> presentation, and became 223 suppressed to subsequent presentations (Fig. 4A, acetophenone ROI 9; Fig. 4E, methyl valerate 224 ROIs 8 and 10). 225

A different odor could evoke no response (Fig. 4A, ROI 2), a different amplitude response (Fig. 4C, ROI 6), and similar or different adapting or non-adapting responses in the same glomerulus (Fig. 4A, ROI 63 versus Fig. 4E, ROI 8). A quantification of the amplitudes of single trials illustrates that the adapting or non-adapting characteristics of glomeruli are stable across individual trials for a given odor (Fig. 4B, D, F).

We tested whether the rate and numbers of odor inhalations could account for mitral/tufted 231 glomerular adaptation. Single trial measurements from glomeruli simultaneously imaged in the same 232 field of view illustrate the presence of non-adapting and adapting glomeruli during similar respiratory 233 patterns during each odor presentation (Fig. 5A). Additional representative example recordings of 234 respiration during imaging trials illustrate that respiration activity did not systematically change during 235 our odor stimulation paradium (**Fig. 5B**). The mean number of inhalations during the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> odor 236 presentation was not significantly different in an exemplar preparation (**Fig. 5C**, 67 trials, p = 0.3; 237 counts from the same trial are connected by a line), across a population of imaging trials (Fig. 5D, 1<sup>st</sup>: 238 10.4  $\pm$  0.5; 3<sup>rd</sup>: 10.2  $\pm$  0.5, p = 0.75. N = 186 trials in 8 preparations), and for comparisons of trials 239 within individual preparations (Fig. 5E; p-values range between 0.08-0.62 for individual preparation 240

241	comparisons). The inter-inhalation
242	interval, which quantifies the time
243	between two subsequent inhalations
244	(Wesson et al., 2008a) was not
245	significantly different in the exemplar
246	preparation ( <b>Fig. 5F</b> , p = 0.47). Although
247	there was a small increase in the inter-
248	inhalation interval between the 1 <sup>st</sup> and
249	3 <sup>rd</sup> presentation when collapsing all
250	inhalation pairs in the data set ( <b>Fig. 5G</b> ,
251	P1: 284.7 ± 3.2, N = 1751; P3: 290.5 ±
252	2.9, N = 1723, p < 0.05), individual
253	preparations comparisons were not
254	significantly different ( <b>Fig. 5H</b> , p-values
255	range between 0.09-0.84 for individual
256	preparations).

To confirm that our olfactometer produces repeatable odor stimuli, we used a photoionization detector (PID) to measure the response to methyl

valerate presented at different air and



Figure 5: (A) Single trial measurements from glomeruli in two preparations. The odor command timing is indicated by the gray bar. Respiration timing is indicated with red circles and vertical lines indicate respiration during the odor presentation. (B) Respiration in four awake mice. (C) Inhalation counts during odor stimulation in one preparation. (D) Inhalation counts during odor stimulation for all trials. (E) Mean inhalations per trial in 8 preparations. Each line indicates the number of inhalations within a trial. (F) Inter-inhalation interval for the same preparation from panel C. (G) Inter-inhalation interval for all inhalation-pairs in panel D. (H) Mean inter-inhalation interval during the 1st and 3rd odor presentation for 8 preparations.

liquid dilutions. Odor presentations with a 6-s interstimulus evoked similar time course signals, the amplitudes of which were not significantly different across presentations (**Fig. 6A-B**, p > 0.71 for all comparisons). The PID amplitude measured at different air dilutions (% of saturated vapor) was relatively linear for the undiluted odorant and when it was diluted 1:10 or 1:100 in mineral oil (**Fig. 6C**, *black, red, and blue points*). Interestingly, a 1:10 dilution in mineral oil at 10% of saturated vapor



277 concentration and interstimulus interval.

278 We examined how interstimulus interval and



**Figure 6**: (**A-B**) PID time course (**A**) and amplitude response (**B**) to repeated presentations of pure methyl valerate at different air dilutions. (**C**) PID amplitude in response to different air and liquid dilutions of methyl valerate. The 1:100 dilution data are expanded in the inset. (**D**) PID time course to air and liquid dilutions.

odor concentration influenced the magnitude of adaptation and the degree of recovery. For odors 279 presented at the highest concentration, extending the interstimulus interval from 6-s to 12-s to 30-s 280 evoked similar responses in the non-adapting glomeruli and graded but often incomplete recoveries 281 in adapting glomeruli (Fig. 7). The effect of concentration is illustrated on four different glomeruli 282 measured in a different exemplar preparation (Fig. 8). Lower concentrations evoked minimal 283 adaptation regardless of the interstimulus interval (Fig. 8, blue traces). At the 6-s interstimulus interval 284 condition, higher concentrations resulted in non-uniform changes across the glomerular population. 285 Repeated presentations at 0.8% of saturated vapor evoked progressively weaker responses in 286 glomerulus 1, while glomeruli 2-4 remained stable (Fig. 8, green traces). Higher concentrations 287 evoked progressively stronger and more complex adaptation in glomeruli 1-3 (Fig. 8, green, orange, 288 and red traces). 289 At lower concentrations glomerulus 2 dipped below baseline after the stimulus offset, where 290

higher concentrations evoked an excitatory offset response with a slow decay and progressively

weaker responses (**Fig. 8**, ROI 2). Glomerulus 3 transitioned from non-adapting to polarity switching

at higher concentrations (Fig. 8, ROI 293 3). Glomerulus 4 remained non-294 adapting at each concentration that 295 evoked a response (e.g., Fig. 8 ROI 4). 296 297 The effect of interstimulus interval at different concentrations was consistent 298 with the results in Fig. 7 in which there 299 was a graded but often incomplete 300 recovery (Fig. 8, 12s and 30s ISI). 301 We quantified the heterogeneity 302 of adaptation in individual glomeruli in 303 preparations in which the response to 304 each concentration was measured in at 305 least 4 trials for both the 6-s and 30-s 306 interstimulus intervals (trials per odor-307 concentration condition: mean of 7.4 ± 308 1.3, range of 4-17). This data set 309 includes 358 glomerular measurements 310 in 7 preparation-odor pairings from 6 311 mice; 29-64 glomeruli per preparation; 312 includes responses to methyl valerate, 313 isoamyl acetate, benzaldehyde, 314 acetophenone and 2-phenylethanol). In 315 each preparation-odor pairing, at least 316 one glomerulus was present that did not 317 adapt, and at least one glomerulus 318



**Figure 7**: (**A**, **C**) Single trial and mean odor responses from glomeruli in the same field of view in two preparations. Methyl valerate was presented at 6-s, 12-s and 30-s interstimulus intervals in both preparations. The  $\Delta$ F/F range for each glomerulus is indicated beneath each heatmap. (**B**, **D**) Response amplitudes for the measurements in panels **A** and **C**.



**Figure 8**: Mean odor responses from four glomeruli recorded simultaneously in the same field of view to methyl valerate presented at different concentrations and interstimulus intervals.

319 exhibited statistically significant adaptation.

The mean response of individual glomeruli to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> odor presentation are illustrated in 320 scatterplots for 3 different preparations (Fig. 9A-C, glomeruli exhibiting significant adaptation are 321 indicated in red). For each preparation, more individual glomeruli exhibit a smaller and significantly 322 different response to the 3<sup>rd</sup> odor presentation at the higher concentrations and 6-s interstimulus 323 interval (Fig. 9A-C, 6s-ISI). Extending the interstimulus interval to 30-s resulted in a recovery where 324 the response to the 3<sup>rd</sup> presentation was more like the 1<sup>st</sup>, and there were fewer significant 325 differences (Fig. 9A-C, 30-s ISI). Of the 201 glomeruli that responded to odor stimulation, 88 326 exhibited statistically significant adaptation at some concentration (p < 0.05). The proportion of 327 significantly adapting glomeruli within the same field of view increased with odor concentration for 328 both 6-s and 30-s interstimulus intervals (Fig. 9D-E). For odors delivered with a 6-s interstimulus 329 interval, the proportion of non-adapting glomeruli was only significantly larger at the lowest tested 330 concentration (Fig. 9D, p-values indicated in graph). In contrast, odors delivered with a 30-s 331 interstimulus evoked a significantly larger proportion of non-adapting glomeruli at all concentrations 332



**Figure 9**: (**A-C**) Adaptation in individual mitral/tufted glomeruli in three preparations at different concentrations (rows). Each marker indicates the mean response of a single glomerulus. Red markers indicate glomeruli with a significantly different response to the 1st and 3rd odor presentation. The number of single trials used to determine statistical significance is in the bottom right of each panel. (**D-E**) The mean percent of responsive glomeruli in each preparation exhibiting significant adaptation (*red lines*) or stable responses (*black lines*) in response to the 1st to the 3rd odor presentation for 6-s (**D**) and 30-s (**E**) interstimulus intervals.

333 (**Fig. 9E**, p-values indicated in graph).

334	We examined the effect of repeated odor presentation across populations of glomeruli in 19
335	preparation-odor pairings in which 463 / 806 glomeruli exhibited a significant odor response at some
336	concentration (42.4 $\pm$ 3.5 glomeruli were identified per preparation; between 21-64 per preparations,
337	the analysis includes the preparations in Fig. 9). Each odor-concentration pairing was sampled in a
338	similar number of trials for both 6-s and 30-s interstimulus interval conditions (6-s: $5.2 \pm 0.35$ trials;
339	30-s: 4.5 $\pm$ 0.38 trials per preparation; p > 0.31; range of 1-17 trials per condition).
340	The mean odor response from all glomeruli in this dataset, and the mean glomerular response
341	for each preparation-odor pairing are illustrated in scatterplots (Fig. 10A-B). Consistent with the
342	individual preparation examples in Fig. 9, lower concentrations and shorter interstimulus intervals
343	evoked similar responses to each odor presentation, while higher concentrations increased the

- 344 difference (**Fig. 10A-B**).
- The number of the individual 345 preparation-odor pairings in which the 346 mean glomerular response to the 3<sup>rd</sup> 347 odor presentation was significantly 348 smaller than the 1<sup>st</sup> presentation 349 increased with higher concentrations 350 for both interstimulus intervals (Fig. 351 **10C**). However, the 6-s interstimulus 352 interval evoked significant adaptation 353 in more preparations than the 30-s 354 condition (Fig. 10C, black vs red 355 bars). The population response to the 356 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> odor presentation was 357 highly correlated at lower 358





concentrations and became increasingly decorrelated at higher concentrations (Fig. 10D, markers 359 indicate the mean correlation for individual preparation-odor-concentration pairings, p < 0.01 for 360 comparisons of 5.5% vs 0.8% and 5.5% and 0.2% of saturated vapor). For the 6-s interstimulus 361 interval, the mean response to the 3<sup>rd</sup> odor presentation was significantly smaller in response to odors 362 presented at 0.8%, 3.2% and 5.5% of saturated vapor (Fig. 10E, p-values are indicated in the panel). 363 Extending the interstimulus interval to 30-s caused a partial recovery, although there was still a 364 significant decrease at the two highest concentrations (Fig. 10E, p-values are indicated in the panel). 365 The response amplitudes evoked by the 1<sup>st</sup> odor presentation were not significantly different in these 366 two groups of trials (Fig. 10E, comparison of black lines in 6-s and 30-s, p-values ranged between 367

368 0.35-0.96 for individual preparation comparisons).

We tested whether glomeruli suppressed by odors presented at 5.5% of saturated vapor have 369 distinct adapting properties from excited glomeruli. For odors delivered with a 6-s interstimulus 370 interval, suppressed glomeruli responded similarly to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> odor presentation with response 371 amplitudes of  $-21.7 \pm 1.8$  and  $-19.6 \pm 2.2$ , respectively (p = 0.34, N = 41 glomeruli). However, the 372 excited population includes polarity-switching glomeruli, which transition from excitation to 373 suppression with repeated presentations (N = 53/463 excited glomeruli; 11.5% of responsive 374 alomeruli at the highest concentration:  $2.8 \pm 0.8$  per preparation: range of 0-11). The mean response 375 of polarity switching glomeruli to the 1<sup>st</sup> odor presentation was not significantly different from other 376 excited glomeruli (response to 1<sup>st</sup> presentation: polarity switching 149.7 ± 12.2; other excited 134 ± 377 6.1: p = 0.07). Both groups of glomeruli exhibited significant adaptation to the 3<sup>rd</sup> odor presentation. 378 although the magnitude of the polarity switching adaptation was ~3-fold greater (response to 3<sup>rd</sup> 379 presentation: polarity switching 28.1  $\pm$  6.4; other excited 87.4  $\pm$  5.4; p < 0.00001 for both 380 comparisons). Therefore, glomeruli that transition from excitation to suppression are a major source 381 of adaptation in our data set, but do not exclusively mediate adaptation. 382

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**Figure 11**: (**A**) Histology illustrating GCaMP6s expression in ORN glomeruli. (**B**) *In vivo* fluorescence and frame subtraction images to methyl valerate and isoamyl acetate (2% and 3.5% of sat vapor, respectively). The maximum  $\Delta$ F/F value is indicated in the top right of each panel. (**C**) Single trial and mean odor responses from glomeruli in panel **B**. (**D**) Responses for the glomeruli in panel **C**. (**E**) Odor response from individual in 12 preparation-odor pairings. (**F**) Mean response from all glomeruli that responded to the 1st odor presentation for each preparation-odor pairing. (**G**) Percent of glomeruli in each preparation that exhibited significant adaptation (red lines) or responded similarly (black lines). (**H**) Correlation between odor presentations for the population response for each preparation-odor pairing. (**I**) Population mean across all preparation-odor pairings.

- layer (**Fig. 11A**) (Yu et al., 2004; Huang et al., 2022). We restricted adaptation measurements in
- 409 olfactory receptor neuron glomeruli to odors presented with a 6-s interstimulus interval at the
- 410 concentrations that evoked the strongest adaptation in mitral/tufted glomeruli. A frame subtraction

analysis and time course responses from individual glomeruli demonstrate that the overall activity 411 412 pattern and response amplitudes were comparable in response to repeated presentations (Fig. 11B-D). The response to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> odor presentation was guantified for all individual glomeruli in the 413 data set, as well as the overall population mean for each preparation-odor pairing at three different 414 concentrations (Fig. 11E-F). Most individual glomeruli, and the mean from each preparation-odor 415 pairing exhibited minimal adaptation (326 glomerulus-odor pairings in 12 preparation-odor pairings 416 across 8 different animal preparations, includes responses to methyl valerate, isoamyl acetate and 417 acetophenone) (Fig. 11E-F). 418

We similarly quantified the proportion of individual glomeruli that exhibited statistically 419 significant adaptation in the same imaging field of view for preparations in which responses were 420 measured in at least 4 single trials (includes 8 preparation-odor pairings; mean number of trials for 421 the three tested concentrations:  $8.4 \pm 1.2$ ,  $8.6 \pm 1.3$  and  $8.4 \pm 1.3$ ; 4-16 trials per condition). Although 422 the proportion of olfactory receptor neuron glomeruli exhibiting significant adaptation increased at 423 higher concentration, there were significantly more non-adapting glomeruli at all concentrations (Fig. 424 **11G**). The relationship of the response of individual glomeruli to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> odor presentation was 425 highly correlated (> 0.9) and did not change significantly as a function of concentration (Fig. 11H). 426 Although higher odor concentrations evoked significant adaptation in some olfactory receptor neuron 427 glomeruli, the mean glomerular response to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> odor presentation was not significantly 428 different for individual preparation odor pairings (p-values ranged from 0.2 to 0.84). Consistently, the 429 population mean response to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> odor presentation was not statistically different for the 430 three tested odor concentrations (Fig. 11I, p-values are indicated in the panel). Therefore, odors 431 presented repeatedly with a 6-s interstimulus interval can evoke adaptation in individual olfactory 432 receptor neuron glomeruli, although the population mean is not significantly impacted. 433

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#### 437 **Discussion**

We used *in vivo* 2-photon Ca<sup>2+</sup> imaging in the olfactory bulb of awake mice to measure how 438 adaptation alters the responsiveness of mitral/tufted glomeruli. The same odor-concentration pairings 439 evoked stable responses across different imaging trials separated by a minimum of 3 minutes, and 440 across imaging sessions carried out on different days. Odors presented with shorter interstimulus 441 intervals evoked adaptation non-uniformly across the glomerular population in a concentration-442 dependent manner. Within the same imaging field of view, some glomeruli adapted significantly while 443 others did not. Higher concentrations increased the proportion of significantly adapting glomeruli, 444 significantly decorrelated the glomerular population, and significantly attenuated the mean population 445 response. Extending the interstimulus interval to 30-s reduced the proportion of adapting glomeruli 446 and evoked less adaptation, yet the recovery across the glomerular population was incomplete. 447 Importantly, we demonstrate that the described adaptation is unlikely to reflect variations in 448 respiration (Fig. 5), stimulus delivery (Fig. 6) or adaptation inherited from the periphery (Fig. 11). 449 Therefore, recent odor exposure can impact the transmission of olfactory sensory processing from 450 the bulb to the rest of the brain for upwards of 30 seconds. Adaptation on this timescale could be 451 useful for mediating dynamic range adjustments to complex odor environments. 452

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454 Comparison of our results with previous studies.

The result that mitral/tufted glomeruli exhibit relatively stable responses across different 455 imaging sessions are in contrast with another study indicating that mitral/tufted glomeruli exhibit 456 modest reductions in responsiveness over time (Kato et al., 2012). Although these differences could 457 reflect methodological variations including a different transgenic mouse line (Pcdh21 versus Tbx21). 458 optical sensor (GCaMP3 versus GCaMP6f), the frequency by which the odor was delivered, and the 459 specific concentrations used, our results are consistent with other studies indicating that mitral/tufted 460 glomeruli exhibit adaptation on shorter timescales and take upwards of 4 minutes to recover from 461 recent odor stimulation (Ogg et al., 2015; Ogg et al., 2018; Storace and Cohen, 2021). Our results 462

extend our previous report describing mitral/tufted glomerular adaptation to show that adaptation is 463 present in awake mice, heterogeneous and concentration-dependent (Storace and Cohen, 2021). 464 These data reconcile our work with previous results showing that individual mitral cells can exhibit 465 stable responses since both adapting and non-adapting responses are present (Sobel and Tank, 466 1993; Wilson, 1998; Margrie et al., 2001; Kadohisa and Wilson, 2006). 467 However, the result that adaptation occurs heterogeneously is in contrast with previous work 468 finding that adaptation occurs uniformly across the mitral/tufted glomerular population (Ogg et al., 469 2015). This difference may reflect the use of epifluorescence imaging where glomerular 470 measurements can be influenced by out-of-focus fluorescence from neighboring glomeruli. In 471 comparison, 2-photon imaging provides improved optical sectioning in the lateral and axial 472 dimensions, minimizing the impact of out-of-focus signal. Indeed, efforts to correct for diffuse 473 fluorescence in epifluorescence measurements by subtracting the background signal from each 474 glomerulus yielded less uniform adaptation (Storace and Cohen, 2021). 475

Previous studies have reported adaptation in olfactory receptor neuron axon terminals, albeit 476 either at much higher odor concentrations than used in the present study, or in response to high 477 frequency sniffing (Wachowiak and Cohen, 2001; Verhagen et al., 2007; Carey et al., 2009; Lecog et 478 al., 2009). The mitral/tufted glomerular adaptation described here is unlikely to be explained by 479 variations in respiration since adaptation often occurred over multiple inhalations and mice did not 480 significantly change their respiratory patterns during our recording trials (Fig. 5). Although mice 481 investigate novel odors with high-frequency sniffing, non-novel odors evoke respiratory rates that are 482 comparable to our measurements (Fig. 5) (Verhagen et al., 2007; Wesson et al., 2008a; Wesson et 483 al., 2008b). Furthermore, our findings of minimal adaptation in olfactory receptor neuron axon 484 terminals and high correlation across odor repetitions are consistent with previous work from our 485 laboratory and others (Chu et al., 2017; Storace and Cohen, 2021; Platisa et al., 2022). 486

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488 *Methodological considerations*.

Measurements from olfactory receptor neuron and mitral/tufted glomeruli reflect a population 489 490 average of the input from one olfactory receptor type and the apical dendrites of the mitral/tufted cells innervating that glomerulus. Glomerular measurements are therefore a useful complement to single 491 cell recordings because it is difficult to determine whether individual mitral or tufted cells are 492 493 connected to the same glomerulus, and different responses across nearby mitral/tufted cells could reflect different sensory input (Nagayama et al., 2007; Dhawale et al., 2010; Kikuta et al., 2013). 494 Because our study used the Tbx21-Cre transgenic line, our measurements will reflect an 495 average of both mitral and tufted cells (Allen et al., 2007; Mitsui et al., 2011; Kosaka and Kosaka, 496 2012; Haddad et al., 2013; Koldaeva et al., 2021; Storace and Cohen, 2021), which are functionally 497 distinct populations of projection neurons (Fukunaga et al., 2012; Igarashi et al., 2012). Future 498 499 experiments incorporating transgenic animals with expression restricted to either cell population will be useful for better differentiating between the response properties of mitral versus tufted cells 500 (Koldaeva et al., 2021). Action potentials generated in mitral cell apical dendrites propagate to the 501 soma, and somatically generated action potentials backpropagate to the apical dendrites (Djurisic et 502 al., 2004). However, subthreshold excitatory postsynaptic potentials can evoke small calcium 503 increases, and TTX application incompletely blocks calcium signals measured from their apical 504 dendrites in response to bath application of glutamate (Charpak et al., 2001; Kato et al., 2012). 505 Therefore, calcium measurements from the apical dendrites of mitral/tufted cells innervating a 506 glomerulus includes both pre- and postsynaptic responses. Future experiments would benefit from 507 development of genetically encoded voltage indicators that are tuned to supra-threshold voltage 508 changes to allow for unambiguous optical measurements of spiking activity from mitral/tufted apical 509 dendrites innervating a glomerulus (Leong and Storace, 2024). 510

511 Our PID analysis illustrates that increasing the air flow speed through the odor vial increased 512 the PID signal (**Fig. 6**). Notably, a ~100-fold dilution of methyl valerate in mineral oil presented at 10 513 % of saturated reduced the PID signal to a level comparable to what was measured in response to 514 the pure odor delivered at 3 % of saturated vapor. Although additional studies are needed that

compare the effect of how liquid dilutions alter the PID signal for different odors, our result suggests
that comparing concentration measurements across studies requires understanding how the odor
was prepared, as well as the absolute flow rates that pass through the odor vial (Jennings et al.,
2023).

In this study we compared adapting responses in glomeruli measured from mitral/tufted cells and olfactory receptor neurons using the optical sensors GCaMP6f and GCaMP6s, respectively. Each calcium indicator has distinct biophysical properties that will contribute to measured differences (Akerboom et al., 2012; Sun et al., 2013; Badura et al., 2014; Storace et al., 2015). However, the present data are consistent with our previous study that reported that olfactory receptor neurons exhibit less adaptation than mitral/tufted glomeruli measured using an organic calcium dye, and GCaMP3 and GCaMP6f (Storace and Cohen, 2021).

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# 527 Mechanisms underlying adaptation and functional relevance.

The presence of glomeruli with gualitatively distinct adapting properties suggests that multiple 528 mechanisms may be involved in mitral/tufted glomerular adaptation. Recurrent inhibition can shape 529 the spiking activity of mitral cells in a manner that depends on the overall activation of the mitral cell 530 itself (Margrie et al., 2001). The mechanism is likely to be complex since granule cells exhibit strong 531 paired pulse depression, suggesting that strongly activated granule cells should provide progressively 532 weaker inhibition onto their synaptic contacts (Dietz and Murthy, 2005). The specific combination of 533 receptors expressed on different cell types is also likely to be important since NMDA antagonism can 534 impair habituation to odor stimuli in vivo (Chaudhurv et al., 2010). Feedback from other brain areas is 535 another candidate mechanism since stimulating acetylcholine input to the bulb dishabituates 536 glomerular and behavioral sensitivity (Ogg et al., 2018). The presence of a concentration-dependent 537 form of adaptation is compatible with a model of lateral inhibition whereby higher concentrations of an 538 odor must drive input to increasing numbers of glomeruli by activating lower affinity olfactory 539 receptors. This process should increase the magnitude of lateral inhibition in the bulb (Wachowiak 540

and Cohen, 2001; Banerjee et al., 2015; Storace and Cohen, 2017; Storace et al., 2019). Such a 541 mechanism could account for the heterogeneity of different adapting responses since each 542 glomerulus is likely to be differently influenced by lateral circuits (Fantana et al., 2008). This 543 hypothesis can be tested in future studies by modulating the magnitude of lateral inhibition within the 544 545 circuit by selectively manipulating specific olfactory receptor neuron or interneuron types within the bulb (Banerjee et al., 2015; Braubach et al., 2018). 546 Our result that glomeruli suppressed to the 1<sup>st</sup> odor presentation exhibit minimal adaptation 547 raises the possibility that the mechanisms underlying suppression and adaptation are distinct. 548 However, suppressed calcium signals in mitral/tufted glomeruli likely reflect a decrease in 549 spontaneous activity in response to the odor stimulus. Consequently, there may be a floor effect in 550 which additional adaptive processes cannot be detected. Indeed, a notable subpopulation of excited 551 glomeruli transitioned from excitation to suppression. Future studies measuring suppressed 552 responses at higher concentrations, and with a larger number of polarity transitioning glomeruli are 553 required to test whether adaptation uniquely impacts suppressed glomeruli. 554

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556 *Estimating variability within the mitral/tufted glomerular population.* 

Neural measurements in awake mice are more variable than in anesthetized preparations in 557 part due to the variable nature of respiration in awake mice. Although it is possible to control the 558 frequency of respiration in anesthetized preparations, such methods are challenging to implement in 559 awake preparations (Short and Wachowiak, 2019; Eiting and Wachowiak, 2020), Here we purposely 560 oversampled the number of trials for each odor-concentration pairing, finding that 4 subsamples are 561 needed to recapitulate a reasonable estimate of the response from a glomerulus measured in a larger 562 number of samples. This result may provide a useful starting point for establishing sample sizes for 563 future experiments. 564

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566 Conclusions.

Here we extend previous work describing a form of adaptation in mitral/tufted glomeruli that 567 568 occurs on timescales that could be relevant for processes related to odor-background segmentation (Gottfried, 2010). However, future studies are needed to confirm the functional and behavioral 569 relevance of adaptation in mitral/tufted glomeruli. Simultaneous comparisons of olfactory receptor 570 neuron input and mitral/tufted glomerular output will provide insight into the nature of how the 571 olfactory bulb can transform a stable sensory input into an adapting output. Comparisons of 572 mitral/tufted glomeruli before and after adaptation has taken place will define precisely how 573 adaptation shapes future responsiveness of the olfactory bulb circuit (Parabucki et al., 2019; Benda, 574 2021; Martelli and Storace, 2021). Finally, although there is evidence that mice behaviorally habituate 575 to odors presented on similar timescales, simultaneous imaging from mitral/tufted glomeruli during a 576 behavioral assay is necessary to clearly link glomerular measurements with perception. 577

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#### 579 Methods

580 *Transgenic mice*.

GCaMP6f was targeted to mitral/tufted glomeruli by mating the Ai148 GCaMP6f transgenic 581 reporter line (Jax stock #030328) to the Tbx21-cre transgenic line (Jax stock #024507). GCaMP6s 582 was targeted to olfactory receptor neuron glomeruli by mating the tetO-GCaMP6s transgenic reporter 583 line (Jax stock #024742) to the OMP-tTA transgenic line (Jac stock #017754) (Huang et al., 2022). 584 Offspring that expressed eGFP and Cre recombinase (mitral/tufted glomeruli), or eGFP and tTA 585 (olfactory receptor neurons glomeruli) were used for experiments. Genotyping was performed by 586 Transnetyx (Cordova, TN). Appropriate targeting of either GCaMP to olfactory receptor neurons or 587 mitral/tufted glomeruli was confirmed histologically in a subset of the preparations based on 588 endogenous fluorescence expression. 589

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591 Surgical procedures.

592 All procedures were approved by the Florida State University Animal Care and Use

Committee. Male and female adult (> 21 days) transgenic mice were anesthetized using 593 594 ketamine/xylazine (90 / 10 mg/kg, Zoetis, Kalamazoo, MI), placed on a heating pad and had ophthalmic ointment applied to their eyes. Mice were given a pre-operative dose of carprofen (10 595 mg/kg, Zoetis, Kalamazoo, MI), atropine (0.2 mg/kg, Covetrus, Dublin, OH), dexamethasone (4 596 597 mg/kg, Bimeda, La Sueur, MN), and bupivacaine (2.5 mg/kg, Hospira, Lake Forest, IL). Fur was removed using a depilatory agent, and the skin was scrubbed with 70% isopropyl alcohol and iodine 598 (Covidien, Mansfield, MA). An incision was made to remove the skin over the skull and blunt 599 dissection was used to remove the underlying membrane. Dental cement (Metabond, Covetrus, 600 Dublin, OH) was used to attach a custom headpost to the skull, which was held using a headpost 601 holder. The bone above the olfactory bulb was either thinned using a dental drill (Osada, XL-230, Los 602 Angeles, CA) and covered with cyanoacrylate to improve optical clarity or was removed and replaced 603 with #1 cover glass. Upon completion of the surgery, the mouse was allowed to recover on a heating 604 pad until they were ambulatory. Animals were given additional analgesic at the end of the day of 605 surgery and for at least 3 days post-operatively. 606

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608 Histology.

Mice were euthanized (euthasol) following imaging and either underwent cardiac perfusion with phosphate buffered saline and 4% paraformaldehyde or had their brains extracted and post-fixed in 4% paraformaldehyde before being cut on a vibratome in 40 µm sections (Leica VT1000S, Deer Park, IL). Sections through the olfactory bulb were mounted on slides and were coverslipped using Fluoromount-G containing DAPI (SouthernBiotech, Birmingham, AL). Endogenous fluorescence expression of GCaMP6f or GCaMP6s was observed using a GFP filter set on either a Zeiss Axioskop epifluorescence microscope or a Nikon CSU-W1 spinning disk confocal microscope.

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617 2-photon imaging.

2-photon imaging was performed using a Sutter MOM 2-photon microscope equipped with an

8 kHz (30.9 Hz) resonant scanner (Cambridge Technology, USA) and an emission pathway equipped 619 with a GaAsP PMT (#H10770PA-40-04, Hamamatsu, Japan). Laser excitation was provided using a 620 Spectra-Physics DS+ between 940-980 nm with power modulated by a Pockels cell (Model #350-621 105-02, Conoptics, Danbury, CT), or an Alcor 920 (920 nm) with power controlled by an internal 622 623 acousto-optic modulator. Imaging was performed using a Nikon 16x 0.8 N.A. or the Cousa 10x 0.5 N.A. objective lens (Yu et al., 2024). Laser power was confirmed to be less than 150 mW at the 624 output of the objective lens measured using a power meter (Newport 843-R) for scanning areas 625 ranging between 711  $\mu$ m<sup>2</sup> (16 x lens) and 1138  $\mu$ m<sup>2</sup> (10x lens). 626

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628 Odorant delivery.

benzaldehyde (100-52-7), ethyl butyrate (CAS #105-54-4), acetophenone (CAS #100-52-7), and 2phenylethanol (CAS #60-12-8) (Sigma-Aldrich, USA) were used at concentrations between 0.05 and

Odorants included: methyl valerate (CAS #624-24-8), isoamyl acetate (CAS #123-92-2),

6 % of saturated vapor. For mitral/tufted glomerular measurements, the olfactometer design involved

air being pushed through vials of pure odor using a syringe pump (NE-1000, PumpSystems,

Farmingdale, NY) running at different flow rates (0.25 – 28 ml /min). This odor stream underwent an 634 initial air dilution with a lower flow rate of clean air (30 ml/min). The resulting odorized air stream 635 connected to a dual 3-way solenoid valve (360T041, NResearch, West Caldwell, NJ), which was 636 connected to an exhaust, a clean air stream, and a delivery manifold which served as the final 637 delivery apparatus. The delivery valve was connected to a Teflon delivery manifold placed in front of 638 the mouse's nose, which had a higher flow rate of clean air constantly flowing through it (450 ml/min). 639 Prior to odor triggering, the solenoid sent the odorized air stream to the exhaust, and the clean air into 640 the delivery manifold, while triggering it caused the odor to be injected into the delivery manifold 641 where it underwent a second air dilution. For olfactory receptor neuron glomerular measurements, the 642 olfactometer design was similar except air flow was controlled by mass flow controllers (Alicat, MC-643 100SCCM and MC-1SLPM), and underwent only a single air dilution step (Williams and Dewan, 644

645 2020).

The odor delivery time-course for both odor delivery systems were confirmed using a 646 photoionization detector set to 1x gain, and pump speed set to high (PID, 200C, Aurora Scientific, 647 Aurora, ON). Three different odor vials containing either 10 ml of pure methyl valerate, a 1:10 dilution 648 649 of methyl valerate (1 ml odor + 9 ml mineral oil), or a 1:100 dilution (0.1 ml odor + 9.9 ml mineral oil). The PID signals in response to different air and liquid dilutions were recorded directly from the PID 650 into the Sutter MScan system. All traces had a 0.18 mV DC component which was subtracted in 651 MATLAB to reference the PID baseline to zero. PID amplitudes were calculated as the average 652 voltage during a 2400 msec window during the odor stimulus. 653

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655 *Imaging procedures*.

Prior to data collection mice were positioned underneath the microscope and the angle of the 656 headpost holder was adjusted to optimize the imaging field of view. The headpost holder position was 657 then locked into place so that the mouse could be precisely realigned during future imaging sessions. 658 Only one field of view was imaged from each mouse preparation. During data collection, awake head-659 fixed mice were placed underneath the microscope objective with the olfactometer and a 660 thermocouple (to measure respiration, Omega 5TC-TT-K-36-36, Newark) near its nose. The signals 661 from the respiration sensor were amplified and low-pass filtered using a differential amplifier (Model 662 3000, AM-Systems, Sequim, WA), which was simultaneously recorded by the imaging system at 1000 663 Hz. Different odor-concentration pairings were presented with interstimulus intervals of 6, 12 and 30 664 seconds. Individual trials were separated by a minimum of 3 minutes. For mitral/tufted glomerular 665 recordings, odor-concentration pairings included 4 steps between 0.2 - 5.5% of saturated vapor. 666 Measuring the response to the full range of concentrations for a particular odor was prioritized within 667 a single imaging session for at least one interstimulus interval. The response to the same odor-668 concentration-interstimulus interval pairing was typically measured in at least two consecutive trials to 669 assess within-day, across-trial repeatability. If time permitted, the response to the same odor-670

671 concentration pairings were measured to a different interstimulus interval.

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## 673 Data analysis

Following data acquisition, the raw image files were spatially and temporally averaged from 674 675 512x512 pixels sampled at 30.9 Hz to 256x256 pixels sampled at 7.72 Hz. The resulting data were exported to TIFF format for all subsequent analysis. Because the mice were typically calm, motion 676 correction was not used. However, occasional recordings with sufficient motion artifact that made it 677 impossible to interpret the measurements were discarded from the subsequent analysis pipeline. 678 Segmentation of image stacks into glomerular regions of interest was manually carried out in custom 679 software (Turbo-SM, SciMeasure, Decatur, GA). Glomeruli were identified as glomerular sized 680 regions of interest using the mean fluorescence, as well as a frame subtraction analysis that displays 681 the difference between the frames during and prior to the odor stimulation. Region of interest overlays 682 were typically identified on the first day, and if necessary, were adjusted to account for minor changes 683 in positioning across trials and imaging sessions. The pixel areas containing the regions of interest 684 were saved and the fluorescence time course values from each region of interest were extracted for 685 subsequent analysis. All fluorescence time course traces were converted to  $\Delta F/F$  by dividing each 686 trace by the mean of all the frames prior to the odor command trigger (typically 23). 687

The mean fluorescence and frame subtraction images are from the average of at least two 688 single trials (e.g., Fig. 1B, Fig. 3B-D, Fig. 11B). The mean fluorescence images are generated from 689 the average of all the frames during the imaging trial. The frame subtraction images were generated 690 by subtracting the average of 19 frames during odor stimulation from the average of the 9 frames 691 prior to the stimulus (Fig. 1B, bottom row; Fig. 3B-D, 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> presentation). The frame subtraction 692 difference images were generated by subtracting the average of the 20 frames during the 3<sup>rd</sup> odor 693 presentation from the average of the 20 frames during the 1<sup>st</sup> odor presentation (**Fig. 3B-D**, *difference*) 694 map). The frame subtraction images underwent two passes of a low-pass spatial filter and were 695 converted to  $\Delta F/F$  by dividing the fluorescence value of each pixel by the mean of at least 60 696

consecutive frames in the image stack in Turbo-SM. The colorscale minimum to maximum range is
fixed for the two different odors in **Fig. 1B** and the individual range of values for each image is
indicated at the bottom of each panel.

Odor responses (ΔF/F) were calculated as the largest difference between a 1200 msec
 temporal window during the peak of the odor response and the time prior to odor stimulation. This
 value was calculated independently for each glomerulus (Fig. 4B, D, F; Fig. 7B, D; Fig. 11D). All
 statistical comparisons were performed using the Wilcoxon rank sum test (ranksum function in
 MATLAB), and the Kruskal-wallis test (kruskalwallis function in MATLAB).

Across trial correlations were calculated by measuring the correlation between the 2.5 seconds prior to odor stimulation, and during odor stimulation for individual traces (**Fig. 1E**), and for the mean population response across all glomeruli in a field of view (**Fig. 1F**). The mean glomerular output correlation analysis (**Fig. 2C**) was generated by averaging the correlation coefficients from all trials on the same day or all trial pairings that took place on different days.

For comparisons of amplitude across days, glomeruli were selected for analysis if they exhibited a minimum of a 3 standard deviation change to odor stimulation across all imaging sessions (thresholds ranged between 3-6, 4.6  $\pm$  0.3, N = 16 preparation-odor pairings). Glomeruli that did not appear similarly in the baseline fluorescence (mean of the first 23 frames) on all imaging days were excluded from the analysis (Kato et al., 2012). For the glomeruli that met these criteria, the mean response to 3.2 % of saturated vapor was calculated for each imaging session for each preparationodor pairing (**Fig. 1D, Fig. 2A-B**).

Because the number of imaging sessions, and the time between each imaging session was not the same for each preparation, population responses are illustrated binned across different imaging sessions or based on the number of days since the 1<sup>st</sup> imaging session (**Fig. 2A-B**, the number of preparation-odor pairings included in each bin are indicated at the bottom of each graph). The subsampling analysis was performed by generating 1000 random subsamples of trials from all trials for each preparation-odor pairing at 3.2% of saturated vapor (datasample function with

replacement in MATLAB). The proportion of the subsamples whose mean was within 1 standard
 deviation of the unsampled mean was calculated for each glomerulus. This proportion was averaged
 across all glomeruli to determine the mean proportion across the glomerular population. This process
 was repeated for different subsample sizes from 1-5. Increasing the numbers of random subsamples
 yielded similar results.

For the respiration analysis in **Fig. 5**, individual inhalations were identified in the respiration traces using the islocalmax function in MATLAB. Inhalation counts were measured by counting the number of inspirations while the odor command was on. Inter-inhalation intervals were calculated by measuring the time between subsequent inhalations using the diff function in MATLAB.

The adaptation analysis was performed on glomeruli if they responded to the 1<sup>st</sup> odor 732 presentation with at least a 3 standard deviation change from the baseline fluorescence. The mean 733 number of significantly adapting and non-adapting glomeruli was calculated based on the number of 734 glomeruli exhibiting a statistically significant change to the odor stimulation (Fig. 9D-E, left panel). 735 Preparations were only included in this analysis if measurements were sampled in a minimum of 4 736 trials for all odor-concentration conditions (Fig. 9D-E). The percentage of significantly adapting 737 glomeruli was calculated by dividing the number of glomeruli exhibiting a statistically significant 738 change by the sum of all responsive glomeruli (Fig. 9D-E). 739

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# 749 Figure Legends

Figure 1: (A) Histology illustrating GCaMP6f expression in mitral/tufted cells. (B) Mean fluorescence 750 (top) and frame subtraction images (bottom) from different days. The  $\Delta$ F/F scaling is fixed for each 751 odor and the  $\Delta$ F/F range is in the bottom right of each panel. (C) Single trial and mean response from 752 four glomeruli to two odors presented at 3.5% of saturated vapor. The heat map intensity scaling fixed 753 for all trials for each glomerulus. The  $\Delta$ F/F range for each heat map is beneath each panel. (D) Odor 754 responses from individual glomeruli (thin lines) and the population mean (thick line) on each imaging 755 day. (E) Correlation of signals before and during odor stimulation. (F) Correlation of the glomerular 756 population response for each pair of imaging trials. gl, glomerular layer; epl, external plexiform layer; 757 mcl, mitral cell layer. 758

**Figure 2**: (A) Mean response across all responsive glomeruli for individual preparation-odor pairings (thin lines) and the overall mean (thick line) for different imaging sessions. (B) The results from panel A binned as a function of the number of days since the 1st imaging session. The number of preparation-odor pairings included in each mean is indicated at the bottom of A-B. (C) The mean correlation of the population response in each preparation-odor pairing for trials recorded on the same (left bar) or different days (right bar). (D) The percentage of 1000 subsamples that came within 1 standard deviation of the unsampled mean.

**Figure 3**: (A) Mitral/tufted glomerular fluorescence in three preparations. (B-D) Frame subtraction images in response to odors presented at 3.5% of saturated vapor for the preparations in panel A. (1st and 3rd) Response to the 1st and 3rd odor presentations. The intensity-scaling is fixed to the same range. (Difference) Difference between the 1st and 3rd presentation. IA, isoamyl acetate; BZ, benzaldehyde; ACP, acetophenone; MV, methyl valerate; 2PE, 2-phenylethanol.

**Figure 4**: (A, C, E) Single trial and mean fluorescence time course from 4 glomeruli in 3 preparations in response to two odors. All four glomeruli in each preparation were measured simultaneously in the same fields of view. The odor command signal is illustrated with gray bars. The numbers underneath the heat maps indicate the max  $\Delta$ F/F across all trials for that each odor. (B, D, F) Mean and single trial (connected lines) odor responses from the glomeruli in panels A, C, and E.

Figure 5: (A) Single trial measurements from glomeruli in two preparations. The odor command 780 timing is indicated by the gray bar. Respiration timing is indicated with red circles and vertical lines 781 indicate respiration during the odor presentation. (B) Respiration in four awake mice. (C) Inhalation 782 counts during odor stimulation in one preparation. (D) Inhalation counts during odor stimulation for all 783 trials. (E) Mean inhalations per trial in 8 preparations. Each line indicates the number of inhalations 784 within a trial. (F) Inter-inhalation interval for the same preparation from panel C. (G) Inter-inhalation 785 interval for all inhalation-pairs in panel D. (H) Mean inter-inhalation interval during the 1st and 3rd 786 odor presentation for 8 preparations. 787

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**Figure 6**: (A-B) PID time course (A) and amplitude response (B) to repeated presentations of pure methyl valerate at different air dilutions. (C) PID amplitude in response to different air and liquid dilutions of methyl valerate. The 1:100 dilution data are expanded in the inset. (D) PID time course to air and liquid dilutions.

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Figure 8: Mean odor responses from four glomeruli recorded simultaneously in the same field of view
 to methyl valerate presented at different concentrations and interstimulus intervals.

**Figure 9**: (A-C) Adaptation in individual mitral/tufted glomeruli in three preparations at different concentrations (rows). Each marker indicates the mean response of a single glomerulus. Red markers indicate glomeruli with a significantly different response to the 1st and 3rd odor presentation.

The number of single trials used to determine statistical significance is in the bottom right of each panel. (D-E) The mean percent of responsive glomeruli in each preparation exhibiting significant adaptation (red lines) or stable responses (black lines) in response to the 1st to the 3rd odor presentation for 6-s (D) and 30-s (E) interstimulus intervals.

Figure 10: (A-B) Mean of all individual glomeruli (A) and preparation-odor pairings (B) in 19
preparation-odor pairings to the 1st and 3rd odor presentation at different concentrations. (C) Number
of preparation-odor pairings from panel B in which the population response to the 3rd odor
presentation was significantly different than the 1st. (D) Mean correlation of glomerular responses to
the 1st and 3rd odor presentation. Each marker indicates a different preparation-odor pairing. (E)
Mean response to the 1st and 3rd odor presentation as a function of odor concentration and
interstimulus interval across all preparation-odor pairings.

Figure 11: (A) Histology illustrating GCaMP6s expression in ORN glomeruli. (B) In vivo fluorescence and frame subtraction images to methyl valerate and isoamyl acetate (2% and 3.5% of sat vapor, respectively). The maximum  $\Delta F/F$  value is indicated in the top right of each panel. (C) Single trial and mean odor responses from glomeruli in panel B. (D) Responses for the glomeruli in panel C. (E) Odor response from individual in 12 preparation-odor pairings. (F) Mean response from all glomeruli that responded to the 1st odor presentation for each preparation-odor pairing. (G) Percent of glomeruli in each preparation that exhibited significant adaptation (red lines) or responded similarly (black lines). (H) Correlation between odor presentations for the population response for each preparation-odor pairing. (I) Population mean across all preparation-odor pairings. 

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