

Figure S1. CLR-1 expression in the hypodermis promotes survival and prevents germ cell degeneration. (A) Genetic mosaic analysis showing cell lineages of major tissues. Each circle indicates one genetic mosaic worm. Points at which the genomic copy of clr-1(+) was lost and the resulting phenotype are indicated. Below are representative DIC images of clr-1(e2530) mosaic worms with and without clr-1 expression. Ex clr-1(+) indicates expression of the clr-1 genomic locus via an extrachromosomal array. Inset shows a close-up image of a clr-1 mutant degenerating gonad (arrows). The hypodermis is syncytial and derived from multiple lineages. Thus, hypodermal clr-1 loss occurs only when the Ex clr-1(+) transgene is lost from both AB and P1. Note that clr-1 loss from the germ line (P4) or somatic gonad lineages (EMS) does not cause gonad

degeneration or other obvious defects. (B) Driving clr-1 expression in the hypodermis using the dpy-7 promoter is sufficient to partially rescue the clr-1(e1745) fluid accumulation and gonad defects. Gonad is outlined in white. Arrows indicate fertilized eggs.

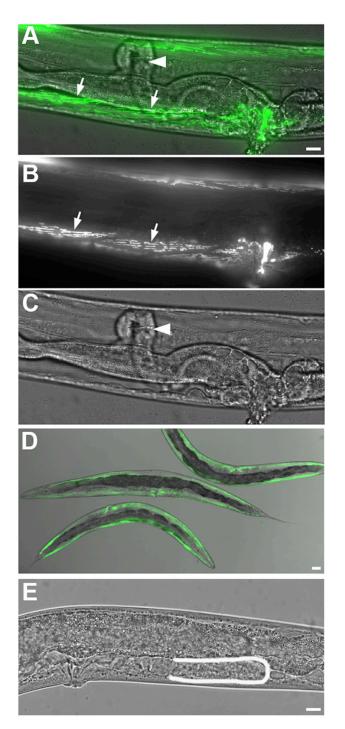


Figure S2. Effects of *clr-1* **or** *vab-1* **MSPd receptor loss on** *vpr-1* **mutant phenotypes.** (A-D) CLR-1 receptor loss suppresses the *vpr-1(tm1411)* body wall muscle

mitochondrial localization defect, but not the gonadogenesis defect. Merged DIC and GFP (A), GFP only (B), and DIC only (C) images of a vpr-1 M-Z- mutant exposed to clr-1 RNAi throughout larval development. The myo-3p::mitoGFP transgene was used to visualize body wall muscle mitochondria. Arrows indicate muscle mitochondrial networks showing linear arrays seen in the wild type (not shown), but not in vpr-1 M-Z-mutants expressing clr-1. See Han et al. (2012 and 2013) for muscle phenotypes. Arrowhead indicates an arrested vpr-1 M-Z-gonad. (D) vpr-1 (tm1411); clr-1(e1745) transgenic mutants expressing the rol-6p::clr-1 and myo-3p::mitoGFP transgenes. A merged DIC and GFP image is shown. Worms were grown at 25°C. Notice that the early larval lethality defect (Figure S1A) is suppressed by the rol-6p::clr-1 transgene, but the worms are still sterile. (E) VAB-1 MSPd receptor loss does not suppress the vpr-1(tm1411) gonad defect. DIC image of a vpr-1 (tm1411); vab-1(dx31) hermaphrodite showing arrested gonadogenesis (E) that is similar to vpr-1(tm1411) single mutants (Figure 1). Gonad is outlined in white. Bars, 10μ m.

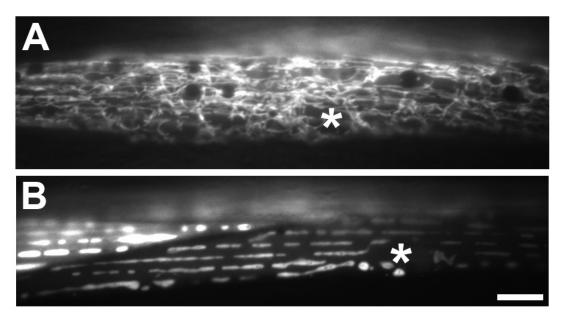


Figure S3. Neuronal *vpr-1* expression using the Q system is sufficient to rescue the *vpr-1(tm1411)* body wall muscle mitochondrial defect. *vpr-1* expression was driven in head interneurons under the *glr-5* promoter. The *myo-3p::mitoGFP* transgene was used to visualize body wall muscle mitochondria. (A, B) GFP images of transgenic *vpr-1* mutant muscles grown in the absence (A) and presence of QA (B), which induces *vpr-1* expression. Asterisks indicate muscle nuclei. Wild-type controls (not shown) are similar to mitochondrial arrays observed in panel B (Han et al., 2012 and 2013). Bar, 10 μ m.