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We report how many human DRGs, nerve fibers and human volunteers were studied. Each of these represents an independent, biological replication. None of the data was excluded from analysis, and when a restricted analysis of psychophysical data was performed, a justification and rational is provided in the main text.

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Our study design did not require group allocation because each DRG slice, afferent fiber or human volunteer received the same treatment. In electrophysiological studies the injection order of the different Mrgpr-agonists was balanced. For the psychophysical studies, the order of administration for trials was random and blinded for each subject. This has been described in the ‘Material and Methods’ section of our manuscript.

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