

Spatial cross-correlation between cells in areas with different spacing of the grid. **a**, Cross-correlation between three cells recorded at the same tetrode location (shown also in Figure 2g). **b**, Cross-correlation between cells in **a** (tetrode t1 and t2; Figure 2c) and each of 7 cells from a more dorsal location (t5, t6 and t7; Figure 2d).

Peaks above r = 0.20 are indicated with an X in the crosscorrelogram. Fewer peaks exceed this threshold in **b** than in **a** (33 ± 1 vs. 44 ± 2; t(22) = 3.5, P < 0.005), as expected when grid orientation and grid spacing are more different. The difference was especially pronounced in the central half of the cross-correlogram, which contained the majority of the location pairs (4 ± 1 vs. 11 ± 2 peaks; t(22) = 5.6, P <0.001).