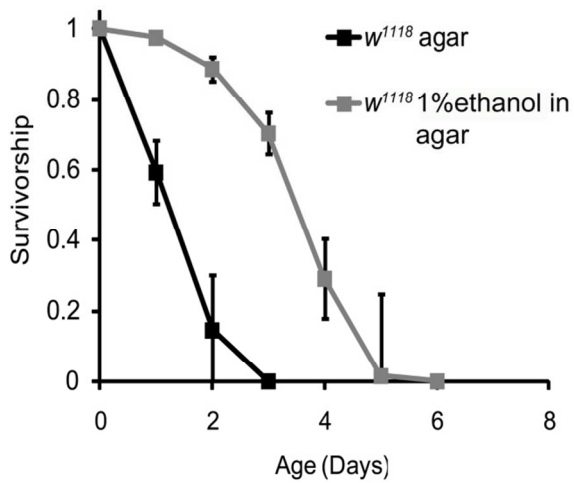
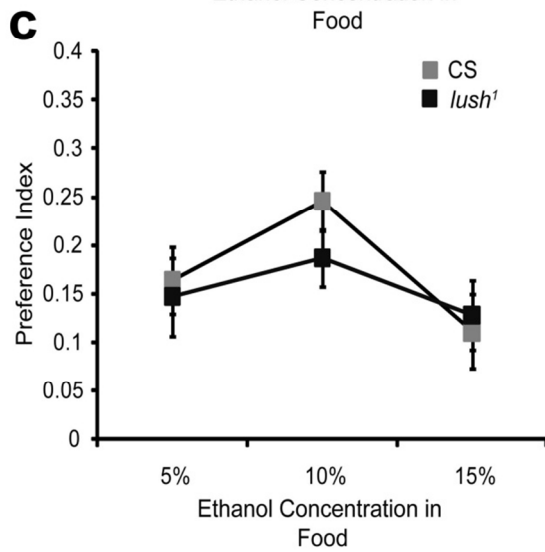
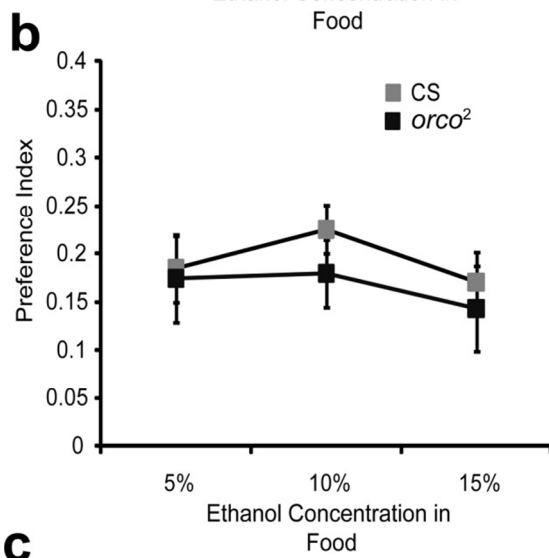
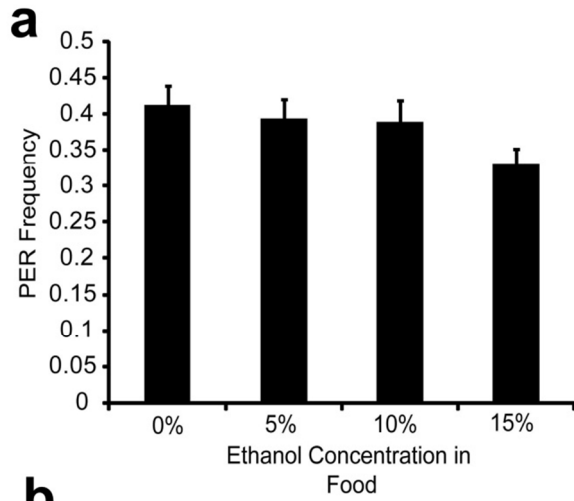


Supplemental Figure 1. Schematic of two-choices CAFE assay (not to scale). A single male fly was housed in inner vial, with water in outer vial, to keep a high humidity inside. Two kinds of liquid food were provided to the fly through two capillaries separately. One contains 5% sucrose and 5% yeast extract, which is represented by green color. The other contains 5% sucrose, 5% yeast extract and ethanol in a certain concentration, which is represented by red color. The two capillaries were replaced every 24 h with their locations were exchanged.

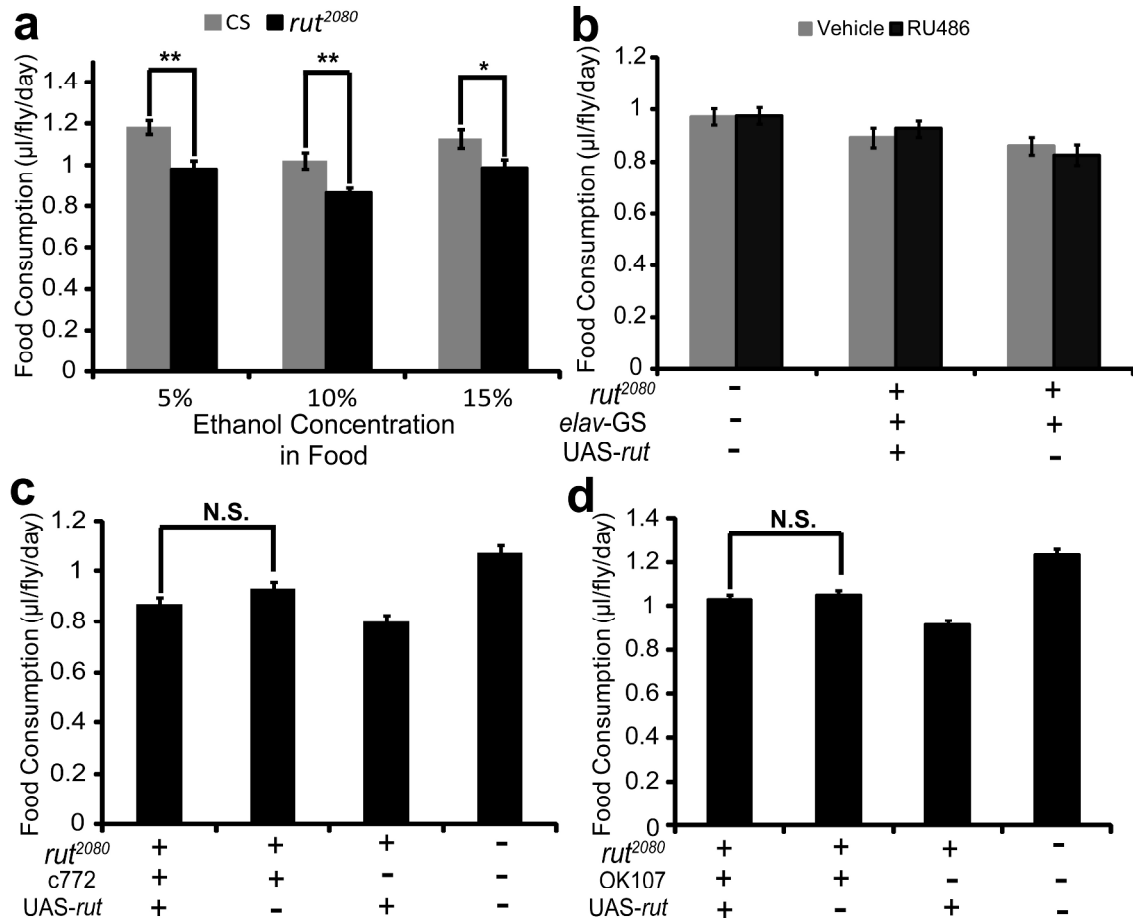


Supplemental Figure 2. Ethanol is not an efficient energy source for *Drosophila*.

w^{1118} mutants in a Canton-S genetic background did not survive as long on agar as flies fed with 1% ethanol. Consistent with the data for wild-type Canton-S, the ethanol fed flies did not survive for very long. Hence, ethanol can be used as a food substrate by these flies, but not efficiently. Each data point is mean \pm S.E.M.

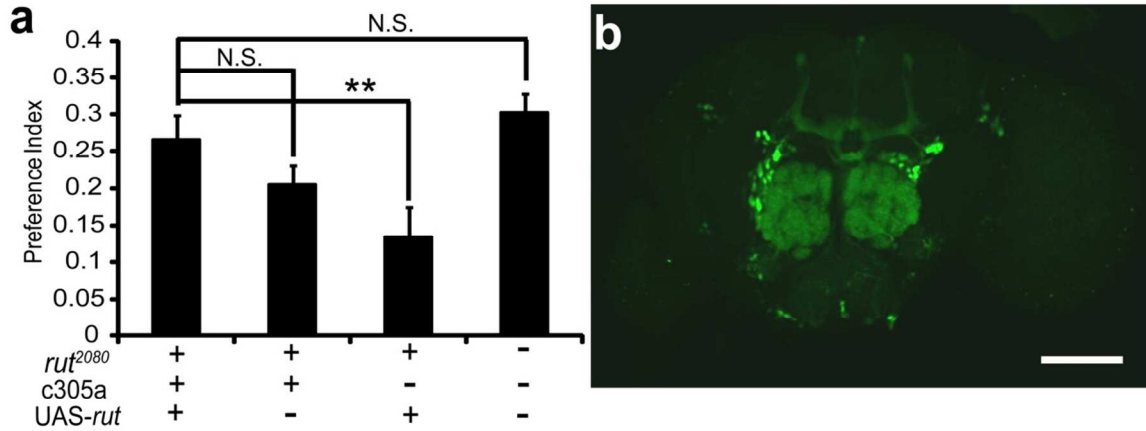


Supplemental Figure 3. Ethanol preference in the CAFE assay does not rely on gustatory or olfactory attraction. (a) The PER index of Canton-S flies was not different between liquid food without ethanol and liquid food with 5%, 10% or 15% ethanol, which suggested that ethanol was not an appetitive gustatory cue. (b) The *orco*² mutant ethanol preference to 5%, 10% or 15% ethanol are not significantly different from the ethanol preferences of Canton-S. (c) The ethanol preferences of *lush*¹ to 5%, 10% or 15% ethanol are not significantly different from the preferences of Canton-S. (b) and (c) suggest that ethanol preference on *Drosophila* is not due to olfactory attraction of ethanol. Data are mean \pm S.E.M.



Supplemental Figure 4. The decreased ethanol preference in *rut*²⁰⁸⁰ is not due to decreased food consumption. (a) In the CAFE assay, *rut*²⁰⁸⁰ consumed significantly less food than CS at each ethanol concentration. (b) This defect in food consumption was not increased significantly by the post-developmental expression of a wild-type *rut* cDNA in the nervous system with the *elav-GS* driver. However, the same treatment (RU486 feeding) induced a higher ethanol preference than the vehicle-feeding group (see Figure 2). (c)(d) The defect in food consumption was not rescued by the *rutabaga* expression driven by the OK107 or *c772* Gal4 driver. However, this defect of ethanol preference in *rut*²⁰⁸⁰ was rescued by OK107 or *c772* driven *rutabaga* expression in mushroom body (see Figure 4). (b)(c)(d) indicated that the *rut*²⁰⁸⁰ ethanol preference phenotype is independent of the total food consumption phenotype. Data are mean ±S.E.M. “N.S.” means no significance. ***P*<0.01 and ****P*<0.001. Because the negative control *rut*²⁰⁸⁰;+;238y and *rut*²⁰⁸⁰; c305a/+; MB247/+ genotype displayed no difference with CS

in food consumption (data not shown), these results cannot indicate whether the two phenotypes are independent of each other in *rut*²⁰⁸⁰ or not.



Supplemental Figure 5. The expression of *rutabaga* in the α'/β' lobe neurons alone is not sufficient for a full rescue of the *rut*²⁰⁸⁰ ethanol preference phenotype (a) The expression of *UAS-rut* driven by the *c305a* α'/β' Gal4 drive was not sufficient to fully rescue the *rut*²⁰⁸⁰ ethanol preference phenotype. The *rut*²⁰⁸⁰; *c305a*/+; *UAS-rut* ethanol preference phenotype was not significantly different than CS, and was significantly higher than one control, *rut*²⁰⁸⁰; *UAS-rut*/+ genotype. However, because it was not significantly different than the *rut*²⁰⁸⁰; *c305a*/+ genotype control, it's still a question whether the *rutabaga* expression in α'/β' lobe is required for ethanol preference or not. Data are mean \pm S.E.M. "N.S." means no significance. (b) *c305a* Gal4 drives the GFP expression in the α'/β' lobe mushroom body neurons. Scale bar: 100 μ m.