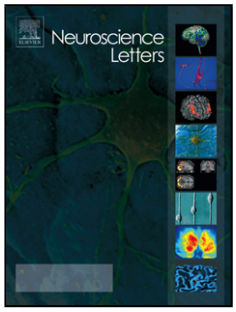


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**Highlights**

- The neuronal enriched RNA binding protein, HuD is associated with synaptic plasticity and behavior
- Previous studies have found that Nucleus Accumbens HuD regulates the acquisition of a drug reinforced behaviors
- Forebrain HuD overexpression increased the reinstatement of food-based instrumental response without altering acquisition of reinstatement of this response
- HuD may play different roles in drug or food reinforced appetitive behaviors in specific epochs of learning