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Abstract

The identification of T cell epitopes is crucial for the understanding of the host immune response during infection. While much is known about the MHC class I-restricted response following influenza virus infection of C57BL/6 mice, with over 16 CD8 epitopes identified to date, less is known about the MHC class II-restricted response. Currently, only a few I-A^b-restricted T helper epitopes have been identified. Therefore, several important questions remain about how many class II epitopes exist in this system and whether these epitopes are evenly distributed within the most abundant viral proteins. In order to address these questions, we analyzed the repertoire of epitopes that drive the CD4⁺ T cell response to influenza virus infection in C57BL/6 (H-2^b) mice. Using a panel of overlapping peptides from each of the viral proteins we show that approximately 20–30 epitopes drive the CD4 T cell response and that the majority of these peptides are derived from the NP and HA proteins. We were also able to demonstrate that vaccination with one of the newly identified epitopes, HA_{211–225}/A^b, resulted in increased epitope-specific T cell numbers and a significant reduction in viral titers following influenza virus challenge.

Keywords: T cells, MHC II, Influenza, Vaccination

1. Introduction

The T cell response to influenza virus infection is directed at processed viral peptides that are presented on the surface of APCs in the context of MHC class I and class II molecules [1, 2]. While substantial progress has been made in understanding the mechanisms involved in the acquisition and processing of viral proteins into peptides, less is known about the number of epitopes involved in a T cell response. The best understood system is the class I-restricted CD8⁺ T cell response to influenza virus infection in inbred mice. For example, 16 H-2K^b and H-2D^b-restricted epitopes have been identified in C57BL/6 mice following influenza virus infection and these epitopes have provided insight into the breadth of the T cell response and patterns of immunodominance [3–8]. In addition, these epitopes have provided a basis for mechanistic and vaccine studies, and reagent devel-

opment, including MHC-peptide tetramers. In stark contrast, much less is known about the class II-restricted CD4⁺ T cell response in C57BL/6 mice, with only two putative I-A^b-restricted epitopes identified in the influenza x31 virus [9, 10]. The comparative lack of information on the CD4⁺ T cell response partially reflects the difficulties in identifying potential class II-restricted epitopes. In general, peptide binding to MHC class II molecules is less stringent than for peptide binding to MHC class I molecules. Thus, it has been correspondingly difficult to develop algorithms to predict potential class II-restricted epitopes [11, 12]. One of the more recently developed algorithms, RANKPEP, allows for the input of protein sequences and then determines the rank and percentile optimal binding of the predicted class II epitope [11, 12]. However, it is still unknown whether this algorithm can accurately predict class II epitopes in most proteins.

Because of the lack of detailed information on class II-restricted epitopes in the murine influenza virus model, many questions remain unanswered regarding the specificity and diversity of the CD4⁺ T cell response. For example, it is believed that the CD4⁺ T cell response is much more diverse than the CD8⁺ T cell response in terms of the number of epitopes recognized; however, there is no direct evidence for this supposition. In addition, it is not known whether CD4⁺ T cell epitopes are evenly distributed within specific viral proteins, although there is some evidence that they may be enriched in regions of proteins that are recognized by antibodies [13, 14]. There is also little information on the capacity of CD4⁺ T cell epitopes to mediate effective antiviral immunity in the context of peptide-based vaccines. Clearly, there is a need to develop a better understanding of the numbers and distribution of MHC class II-restricted epitopes in the influenza virus.

Here we analyzed the breadth of the CD4⁺ T cell response to influenza virus in C57BL/6 mice using a panel of peptides derived from all the major proteins of the x31 strain of influenza virus and compared the epitopes identified by functional studies with those predicted by the RANKPEP algorithm. We demonstrate that CD4⁺ T cell epitopes are unevenly distributed in a limited number of proteins and estimate the total number of distinct epitopes to be in the range of 20–30, most of which were not predicted by the RANKPEP program. Two of these epitopes appear to be immunodominant inasmuch as they drive a major fraction of the CD4⁺ T cell response to acute influenza virus infection. Additionally, we found that vaccination with one of these CD4 epitopes resulted in an enhanced CD4⁺ T cell response and a significant decrease in viral loads following a subsequent influenza virus challenge.

2. Materials and methods

2.1. Generation of influenza peptides and epitope prediction

Amino acid sequences were obtained from PubMed for the proteins of the A/HK-x31 (x31, H3N2) and A/PR8/34 (PR8, H1N1) strains of the influenza virus. Lyophilized non-amidated peptides, 15 mers overlapping by 10, were generated and purchased from New England Peptide (Gardner, MA) and solubilized with a 50:50 acetonitrile/H₂O solution. To avoid multiple freeze/thaw cycles, the peptides were then diluted to a concentration of 0.5 µg/ml with Hank's Balance Salt Solution and aliquoted into round bottom 96 well plates. Potential T cell epitopes (MHC II–I-A^b) were predicted using the matrix-based algorithm RANKPEP [11, 12].

2.2. Viruses, animals, and infections

The reassortant influenza virus strain A/HK-x31 (x31, H3N2 = A/Hong Kong/1/68 × A/Puerto Rico/8/34)

was grown, stored and titrated as previously described [15]. Female C57BL/6 mice were purchased from Jackson Laboratories (Bar Harbor, ME). Mice (6–12 weeks) were anesthetized by i.p. injection with 2,2,2 tribromoethanol and infected intranasally with 300 or 600 50% egg infectious doses (EID₅₀) of influenza virus.

2.3. Enzyme-linked immunospot assay (ELISpot)

The numbers of IFN γ -secreting cells derived from spleens of infected mice were determined after stimulation with influenza peptides in a standard enzyme-linked immunospot (ELISpot) assay [16]. Briefly, 96 well Multi-screen mixed ester nitrocellulose plates (Millipore, Bedford, MA) were coated overnight at 4 °C with 100 µl well of rat anti-mouse IFN γ (B-D Pharmingen, San Jose, CA) at a concentration of 10 µg/ml. The plates were then washed and blocked before the addition of 10⁵ responding cells, irradiated (3000 rad) syngeneic normal spleen cells, 10 µg/ml peptide, and 40 U/ml IL-2. Plates were then incubated 48 h at 37 °C and developed overnight with a biotinylated detection antibody, rat anti-mouse IFN γ (B-D Pharmingen, San Jose, CA). The plates were then incubated with streptavidin-alkaline phosphatase (DakoCytomation, Carpinteria, CA) for 1 h, washed, and incubated with BCIP/NBT alkaline phosphatase substrate (Sigma, St. Louis, MO) for 2 h at room temperature. Visible spots of IFN γ secreting cells were then enumerated using an Olympus SZH stereo zoom microscope system.

2.4. Intracellular cytokine staining

Lymphocytes were collected from the spleens or lung airways (*bronchoalveolar lavage*) as previously described [17]. Following collection, the cells were washed and depleted of erythrocytes. Isolated cells (10⁶ cells/condition) were cultured at 37 °C for 5 h in the presence of 10 µg of the indicated peptide in 250 µl of complete tumor medium (CTM) containing 10 µg/ml Brefeldin A (BFA; Epicenter Technologies, Madison, WI) and 10 U/ml IL-2 (R&D Systems, Minneapolis, MN) [18]. After culture, the cells were blocked with monoclonal antibodies to FcR3/II receptor (B-D Pharmingen, San Jose, CA) and stained with anti-CD4 conjugated to FITC anti-CD8 conjugated to PerCP, and anti-CD44 conjugated to allophycocyanin antibodies (B-D Pharmingen, San Jose, CA) in PBS/BFA. The cells were then fixed in 2% formaldehyde, permeabilized with buffer containing 0.5% saponin, and stained with anti-IFN γ conjugated to PE (B-D Pharmingen, San Jose, CA) monoclonal antibody. 200,000 events were collected on a Becton Dickinson FACSCalibur flow cytometer. Data was analyzed using FlowJo (TreeStar) software.

2.5. Generation of LacZ-inducible T cell hybridomas

Splenocytes were harvested from C57BL/6 mice 28 days after intranasal challenge with A/HKx31. 30 × 10⁶ immune splenocytes were cultured with 30 × 10⁶ irra-

diated (3000 rad) peptide pulsed (2 µg/ml specific peptide) syngeneic splenocytes for 5 days. Blast cells were enriched by Ficoll and then fused with BWZ.36 cells [19, 20]. The resulting clones were tested for specificity using peptide-pulsed L cells transfected with the I-A^b MHC genes.

2.6. Antigen presentation assays

Antigen presentation assays were performed as previously described [20–24]. Briefly, hybridomas (1×10^5) were cultured with virus-infected or peptide-pulsed cells in flat-bottomed microtiter plates. The plates were incubated overnight, washed with PBS and fixed with β-galactosidase fixative (2% formaldehyde/0.2% glutaraldehyde). Cells were washed again with PBS followed by the addition of 50 µl of a 1 mg/ml X-gal solution (5 mM potassium ferrocyanide, 5 mM potassium ferricyanide, and 2 mM magnesium chloride). After 4 h, the hybridomas were examined under a light microscope for the presence of blue cells.

2.7. Bone marrow derived dendritic cells and vaccination

Bone marrow was flushed from the femurs of C57BL/6 mice, depleted of erythrocytes, and 2×10^6 mononuclear cells were placed into a bacteriological Petri dish with media supplemented with 20 ng/ml recombinant murine granulocyte/macrophage colony-stimulating factor (rmGM-CSF; Peprotech, Rocky Hill, NJ) and incubated at 37 °C with 10% CO₂ [25]. On day 3, an additional 10 ml of CTM containing 20 ng/ml rmGM-CSF was added. On day 6, half of the cells were removed, centrifuged, and added back to the same plate in 10 ml of fresh media containing 20 ng/ml rmGM-CSF. On day 8 the cells were removed, centrifuged, and 2×10^6 cells were placed into new bacteriological Petri dishes in 10 ml of media supplemented with 20 ng/ml rmGM-CSF. On day 10 of the culture, the cells were resuspended at 5×10^6 /ml and incubated at 37 °C for 3 h with peptide at a concentration of 50 µg/ml [18]. Following peptide pulsing, the dendritic

cells were washed and 100 µl of cells in PBS were injected i.v. into mice at a final concentration of 1×10^6 cells per mouse [18]. Three weeks post dendritic cell vaccination, the mice were injected subcutaneously with 100 µg of peptide emulsified in incomplete Freud's adjuvant [26].

2.8. Viral titers

Homogenized lungs were serially diluted and injected into three 10 day old embryonated hen eggs per sample. After incubation at 35 °C for 48 h, allantoic fluid from each egg was sampled and assayed for hemagglutinating activity using chicken red blood cells as previously described [27]. Samples were scored as positive when two of the three eggs contained hemagglutinating activity [27].

3. Results

3.1. Primary screen for T cell epitopes within influenza virus proteins

To identify MHC class II-restricted epitopes from influenza virus, we synthesized a panel of 15-mer peptides (overlapping by 10 amino acids) from each of the published x31 influenza virus protein sequences and from the PR8 influenza virus hemagglutinin (HA) and neuraminidase (NA) protein sequences (Table 1). Altogether, a total of 1085 peptides were synthesized and are listed in Supplemental Tables 1 and 2. These peptides were then used to screen splenocytes from mice that had recovered from a prior intranasal x31 infection (21 days post-infection) in two independent ELISpot assays. As shown in Figure 1 and Figure 2, many of the peptides elicited ELISpot responses that were above three standard deviations of the background (i.e. more than 10 spots). The majority of these positive responses were elicited by peptides derived from the HA, nucleoprotein (NP), acidic polymerase (PA) and basic polymerase (PB1 and PB2) proteins of x31 (Figure 1). Relatively few positive responses were elicited by peptides derived from the NA, nonstructural (NS1 and

Table 1. Influenza virus proteins

Protein	Accession number (PubMed)	Size ^a	Number of peptides
Hemagglutinin x31 (HA)	PO 3437	566	112
Hemagglutinin PR8 (HA)	AAM 75158	565	112
Neuramidase x31 (NA)	BAC 77663	469	93
Neuramidase PR8 (NA)	NP 775534	454	90
Nucleoprotein (NP)	BAA 99400	498	99
Acidic polymerase (PA)	BAA 99401	716	142
PB1 polymerase (PB1)	BAA 99402	759	151
PB2 polymerase (PB2)	BAA 99403	757	151
Non-structural 1 (NS1)	BAA 99396	230	45
Non-structural 2 (NS2)	BAA 99396	121	23
Matrix protein 1 (M1)	BAA 99399	252	49
Matrix protein 2 (M2)	BAA 99398	97	18

^a Amino acids.

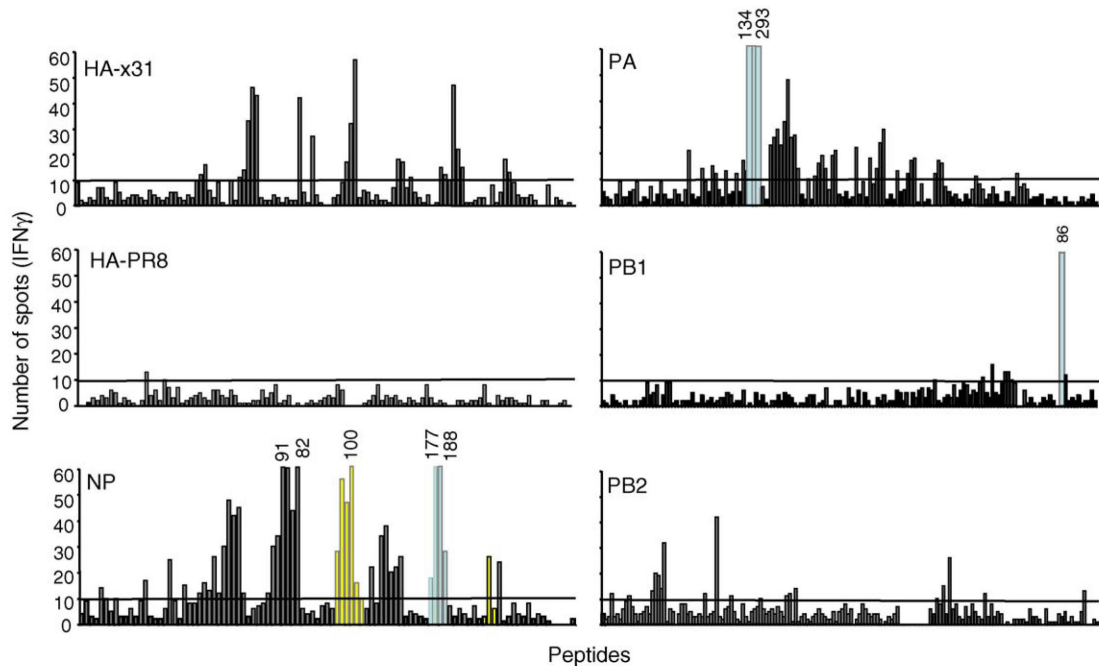


Figure 1. Infection induces T cells specific for peptides within the hemagglutinin, nucleoprotein protein, acidic polymerase, basic polymerase 1, and basic polymerase 2 of the x31 influenza virus. C57BL/6 mice were intranasally infected with 300 EID₅₀ x31 influenza virus. On day 21 post infection the spleens were removed, enriched for lymphocytes, and incubated for 48 h with irradiated (3000 rad) syngeneic normal spleen cells, peptide, and IL-2 in a standard IFN γ specific ELISpot assay. Shown are the number of IFN γ positive cells from one of two representative experiments following incubation with peptides from the following proteins: HA derived from x31, HA derived from PR8, NP, PA, PB1, and PB2 (all derived from x31). Blue bars indicate the regions containing the known CD8 epitopes and yellow bars indicate the region containing the known CD4 epitope.

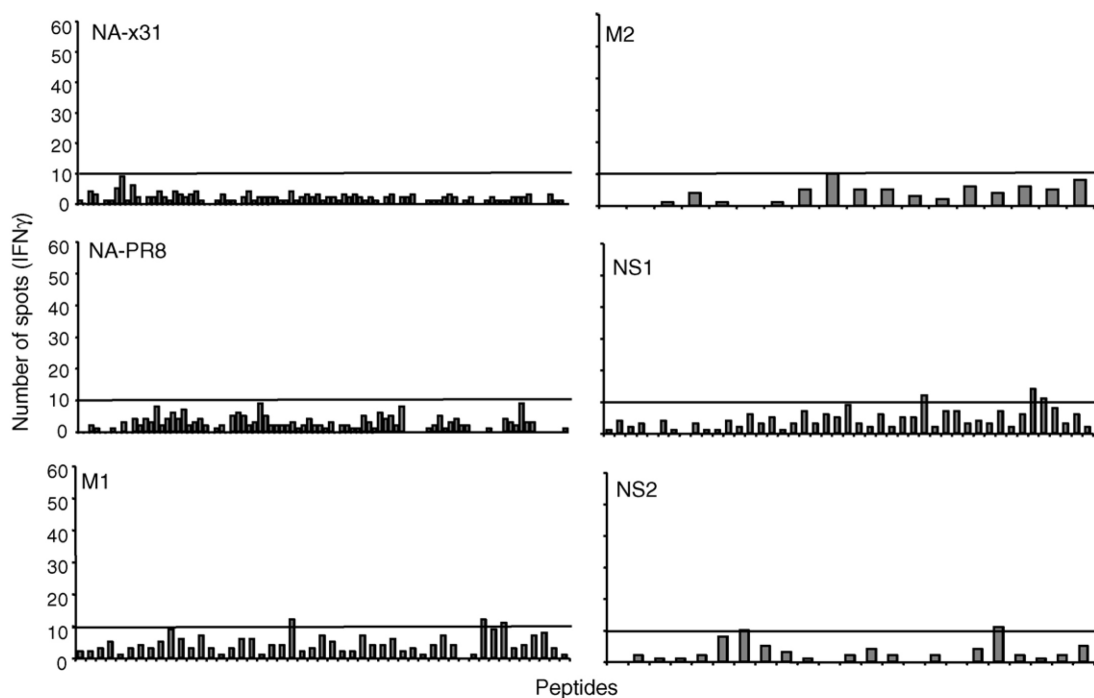


Figure 2. Infection does not induce T cells specific for peptides within the neuramidase, matrix 1, matrix 2, nonstructural 1, and nonstructural 2 proteins of the x31 influenza virus. C57BL/6 mice were intranasally infected with 300 EID₅₀ x31 influenza virus. On day 21 post infection the spleens were removed, enriched for lymphocytes, incubated for 48 h with irradiated (3000 rad) syngeneic normal spleen cells, peptide, and IL-2 in a standard ELISpot assay. Shown are the number of IFN γ positive cells from one of two representative experiments following incubation with peptides from the following proteins: NA derived from x31, NA derived from PR8, M1, M2, NS1, and NS2 (all derived from x31).

NS2) and matrix (M1 and M2) proteins of x31 (Figure 2). In addition, peptides from the HA and NA proteins of PR8 virus did not elicit positive responses from the x31-primed spleen cells (Figure 1 and Figure 2), consistent with the relatively limited sequence homology between these proteins in the x31 and PR8 viruses. As expected, the screen clearly identified the regions of NP that had previously been reported by Gao et al. to contain an I-A^b epitope (NP₂₆₁₋₂₉₀ and NP₄₁₁₋₄₃₅) [9, 10]. These regions are indicated by the yellow bars in Figure 1.

Since the splenocytes used for the ELISpot assay included both CD4 and CD8 cells, the data did not discriminate between MHC class II- and class I-restricted responses. Although class I peptides are typically shorter than the 15-mer peptides synthesized for this study, it is known that 15 mer peptides can be presented to CD8⁺ T cells under these conditions, albeit with reduced efficiency [28, 29]. Therefore, we scanned the ELISpot data for known immunodominant class I epitopes, NP₃₆₆₋₃₇₄, PA₂₂₄₋₂₃₃ and PB1₇₀₃₋₇₁₁. Responses to all three of these epitopes were detected in the ELISpot screen as indicated by the blue bars in Figure 1. Taken together, these results suggested that our screen likely identified a combination of class I and class II-restricted epitopes.

3.2. Contributions of selected epitopes to T cell responses to primary x31 infection

Since we had identified a reasonable number of epitopes that were not known class I-restricted epitopes, we assumed that most of these epitopes were likely to be class II-restricted CD4 T cell epitopes. To determine whether the RANKPEP algorithm could be used to accurately predict the CD4 epitopes identified in our screen, we screened the x31 viral proteins using the RANKPEP algorithm and, using this program, identified a large number of peptides that were predicted to bind I-A^b with a range of efficiencies (Table 2 and data not shown). However, there was only a partial correlation with the ELISpot data (Table 2 and data not shown), and many epitopes identified in our functional screen were not identified by the RANKPEP program. Interestingly, the algorithm did predict two potentially strong I-A^b binding peptides in the NP₂₆₁₋₂₉₀ region defined by Gao et al.; ₂₆₆LRGSVAHKS₂₇₄ and ₂₇₇PACVYGPAVA₂₈₆ (Table 2), suggesting that a subset of CD4 epitopes can be identified by this method.

Next, to further investigate the specificity of the T cell response to influenza virus infection, we selected 36 peptides for additional characterization (Table 2). These peptides were selected on the basis that (i) they gave greater than 20 ELISpots in two independent screening assays, and/or (ii) they had a RANKPEP score of greater than 32% optimal (this score was selected as it typically identified the top 10% of predicted I-A^b binders in any given protein). We also excluded all peptides that contained known class I epitopes and peptides from the regions previously described by Gao et al. [9, 10]. Table 2 shows the

list of 36 peptides (plus the Gao et al. peptides) with the corresponding ELISpot results and RANKPEP scores. Even though these peptides were the top candidates for I-A^b-restricted epitopes, there was not a direct correlation between the number of ELISpots elicited by these peptides and their respective RANKPEP scores. For example, NP₃₁₁₋₃₂₅ elicited strong ELISpot responses but was only 20% optimal by RANKPEP whereas PA₄₅₆₋₄₇₀ elicited weak ELISpot responses but was 38% optimal by RANKPEP (Table 2). Of 36 peptides in Table 2 that were positive by ELISpot, only six received a RANKPEP score of greater than 32%.

We next analyzed the capacity of the 36 selected peptides to stimulate IFN γ production during an acute response to influenza virus infection using an intracellular cytokine assay. This approach allowed us to: (i) confirm specific epitopes in an independent assay; (ii) identify those epitopes that made significant contributions to the acute response to infection and (iii) specifically distinguish class I and class II responses. C57BL/6 mice were intranasally infected with influenza virus and 10 days later cells were recovered from the lung airways. These cells were then assessed for their ability to produce IFN γ in an intracellular cytokine assay following stimulation with each of the 36 peptides (the known class I epitopes, NP₃₆₆₋₃₇₄ and PA₂₂₄₋₂₃₃ and the Gao peptide, NP₂₇₆₋₂₉₀ were included as controls). As shown in Figure 3 almost all of the peptides tested induced IFN γ in these effector T cells and over half of the peptides induced IFN γ production in greater than 1% of either the CD4 or CD8 T cell populations. Ten of these peptides stimulated CD4 T cells, eight stimulated CD8 T cells, while two peptides stimulated both CD4 and CD8 T cells to produce IFN γ . Representative data from six of these peptides are shown on the right hand panel of Figure 3.

3.3. T cells specific for the HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅ and NP₃₁₁₋₃₂₅ epitopes make substantial contributions to the primary CD4 T cell response to influenza

We next took the two peptides that elicited the strongest IFN γ production in the intracellular cytokine staining assay (HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅ and NP₃₁₁₋₃₂₅) and re-synthesized them as purified peptides to confirm that they corresponded to *bona fide* epitopes. Intracellular cytokine staining analysis of these re-synthesized peptides confirmed that they were both class II-restricted epitopes and also demonstrated that the NP₃₁₁₋₃₂₅ peptide did not stimulate CD8 T cells (data not shown). It is unclear why the crude NP₃₁₁₋₃₂₅ peptide gave an initial response as a mixed CD4 and CD8 epitope. However, we noted that the peptide was originally synthesized in a well adjacent to the known NP₃₆₆₋₃₇₄/D^b epitope and we now speculate that there may have been some cross contamination either during the production or subsequent handling of the peptides. We next analyzed the kinetics of the primary T cell response to the purified HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅ and NP₃₁₁₋₃₂₅ epitopes. As shown in Figure 4A, both epitopes stimulated strong CD4⁺ T cell

Table 2. Amino acid sequence, ELISpot results, and RANKPEP results from influenza virus peptides selected for further investigation

Peptide name	Sequence	ELISpot results ^a	RANKPEP (Rank) ^b	RANKPEP (% Optimal) ^c
HA 201-215	PSTNQEQTSLYVQAS	33/14		
HA 206-220	EQTSLYVQASGRVTV	46/28	3	33.61
HA 211-225	YVQASGRVTVSTRRS	43/35	3	33.61
HA 261-275	INSNGNLIAPRGYFK	42/20		
HA 276-290	MRTGKSSIMRSDAPI	27/19	23	17.53
HA 321-335	CPKYVKQNTLKLATG	32/37	34	14.04
HA 326-340	KQNTLKLATGMARNVP	57/30	30	15.75
HA 441-455	AELLVALENQHTIDL	47/70		
HA 446-460	ALENQHTIDLTDSEM	22/42		
NP 91-105	KTGGPIYRRVNGKWM	25/17	2	38.05
NP 106-120	RELILYDKEEIRRIW	15/26		
NP 136-150	MMIWHSNLNDATYQR	26/14	22	17.72
NP 146-160	ATYQRTRALVRTGMD	30/17	5	27.89
NP 151-165	TRALVRTGMDPRMCS	48/22		
NP 161-175	PRMCSLMQGSTLPRR	45/22	47	8.96
NP 196-210	MIKRGINDRNFWRGE	30/21		
NP 201-215	INDRNFWRGENGRKT	34/39		
NP 206-220	FWRGENGKTRIAIYE	91/82		
NP 211-225	NGRKTRIAYERMCNI	82/61		
NP 216-230	RIAYERMCNILKGGKF	44/43	49	8.53
NP 311-325	QVYSLIRPNENPAHK	38/41	14	19.98
NP 316-330	IRPNENPAHKSQVLW	20/23		
NP 326-340	SQLVWMACHSAAFED	26/17	41	10.71
PA 251-265	KEVNARIEPFLKTP	26/14		
PA 256-270	RIEPKLTTPRPLRL	29/17	22	18.00
PA 276-290	CSQRSKFLLMDALKL	26/27	30	15.83
PA 311-325	MRTFFGWKEPNVVKP	11/14	2	37.96
PA 316-330	GWKEPNVVKPHEKGI	16/16	2	37.96
PA 411-425	FNKACELTDSSWIEL	29/12	24	17.21
PA 456-470	RATEYIMKGVYINTA	18/13	1	38.11
NS2 91-105	ENSFEQITFMQALHL	11/61	1	21.32
PB2 91-105	VSPLAVTWWRNRPMP	20/20	33	14.86
PB2 106-120	TNTVHYPKIYKTYFE	32/17	21	19.35
PB2 196-210	CKISPLMVAYMLERE	42/30		
M1 201-215	EAMEVASQARQMVQA	12/32		
M1 211-225	QMVQAMITIGTHPSS	11/29	5	23.73
Region previously identified by Gao <i>et al.</i> [9, 10]				
NP 261-275	RSALILRGVVAHKSC	28/13	12	22.37
NP 266-280	LRGSVAHKSLPACV	56/30	12	22.37
NP 271-285	AHKSLPACVYGPVAV	47/23	6	27.67
NP 276-290	LPACVYGPVAVASGYD	100/69	3	32.96

Brackets indicate overlapping peptides.

^a Number of ELISpots from 10⁵ spleen cells, determined in two independent experiments (experiment 1/experiment 2).

^b Relative rank of the predicted peptide within the input protein.

^c Percentile score of the predicted peptide relative to that of the sequence that yields the maximum score for the selected profile (I-A^b).

responses that can be first detected on day 8 post infection in the lung airways. The frequency of HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅ and NP₃₁₁₋₃₂₅ specific cells peaked at 10% and 11%, respectively, of the total CD4 cells. Since 67% of the total CD4 T cells in the lung airways rapidly respond to activation with PMA and ionomycin treatment, we conclude that approximately 31% of the total influenza-specific CD4 T

cells in the lung airways are specific for the HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅ and NP₃₁₁₋₃₂₅ epitopes (Figure 4B). Together, these data confirm that HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅ and NP₃₁₁₋₃₂₅ are *bona fide* class II-restricted epitopes and further demonstrate that they are relatively dominant epitopes in the class II-restricted CD4⁺ T cell response following influenza virus infection of C57BL/6 mice.

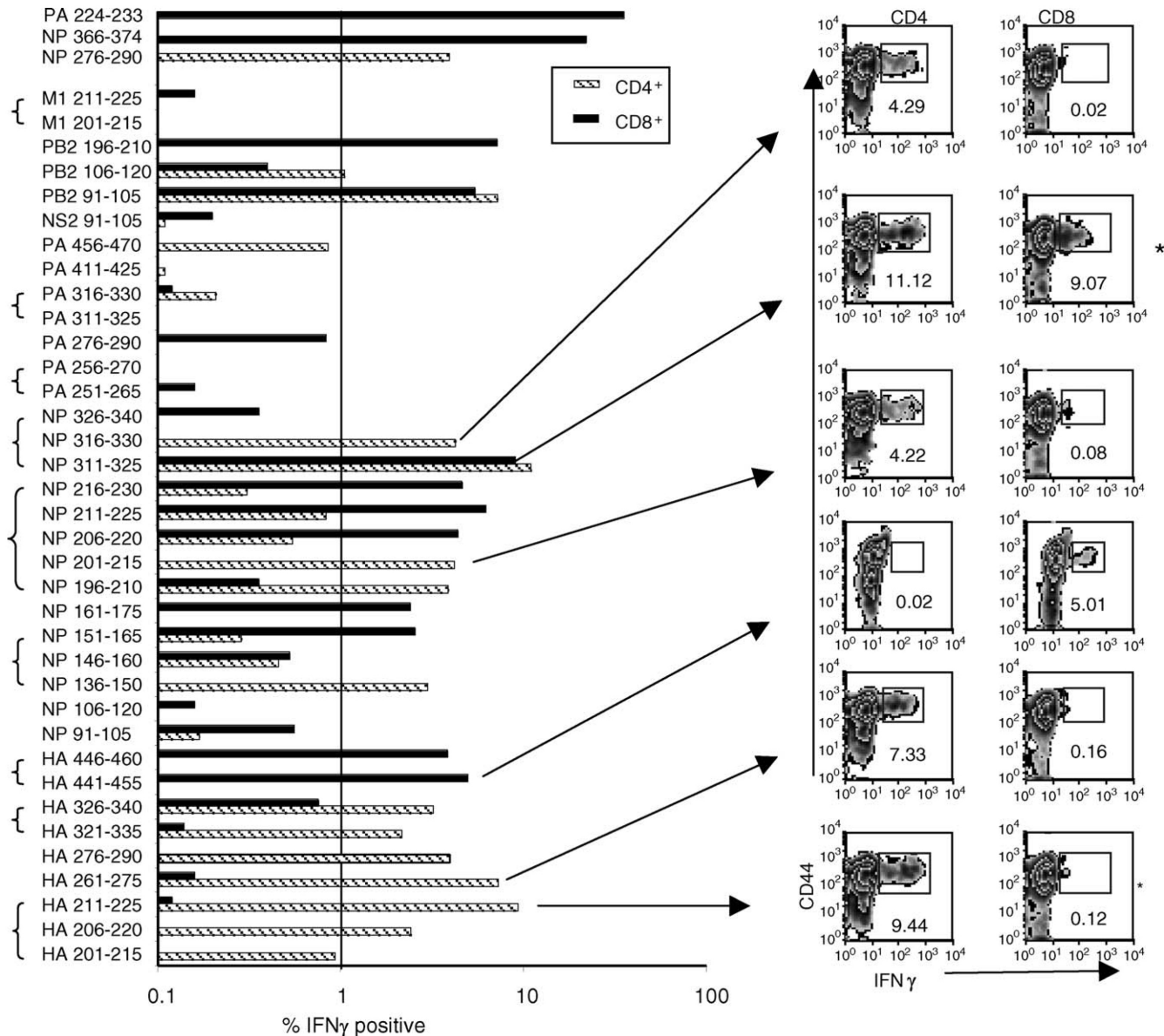


Figure 3. IFN γ production by antigen-specific CD4 $^{+}$ and CD8 $^{+}$ T cells on day 10 post infection. C57BL/6 mice were intranasally infected with 300 EID $_{50}$ x31 influenza virus. On day 10 post infection, lung cells were collected and incubated for 5 h in the presence of the indicated peptide and Brefeldin A. Following stimulation, the cells were stained with anti-CD4 FITC, anti-CD8 PerCP, anti-IFN γ PE, and anti-CD44 allophycocyanin. Shown are the percentages of CD4 or CD8 cells producing IFN γ following stimulation with the indicated peptide from one of two representative experiments. Also shown are representative FACs plots. Brackets indicate overlapping peptides.

3.4. The HA $_{211-225}$ epitope is presented in the lungs and local draining lymph nodes during influenza virus infection

To further investigate the characteristics of the HA $_{211-225}$ /A b epitope, we generated a panel of T cell hybridomas. Spleen cells from mice that had recovered from a prior x31 infection were stimulated in vitro with the HA $_{211-225}$ peptide and subsequently fused to a lacZ expressing variant of BW5147 [19]. The resulting hybridomas were screened for reactivity to the HA $_{211-225}$ peptide and one hybridoma, H-#-SM101.3, was selected for further study. This hybridoma was re-cloned and was shown to specifically re-

spond to the HA $_{211-225}$ peptide pulsed L cells transfected with the I-A b molecule (Figure 5A). The hybridoma also responded to syngeneic spleen cells infected with various doses of x31 influenza virus (Figure 5B). We next used the H-#-SM101.3 hybridoma to investigate the presentation of the HA $_{211-225}$ /A b epitope ex vivo by antigen presenting cells isolated from infected mice. Cells were isolated from the lung airways, lung parenchyma, MLN, and spleen on days 4 (Figure 5C) and 6 (Figure 5D) post influenza virus infection. Increasing numbers of cells from infected mice were then cultured with the H-#-SM101.3 hybrid and the number of hybridoma cells responding to

the HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅ peptide was determined one day later. As shown in Figure 5 panels C and D, cells presenting the HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅/A^b epitope were clearly detected at days 4 and 6 in the lung airways, lung parenchyma, and MLN, but not in the spleen. Extrapolation of the titration curves in Figure 4 indicates that at least 1 in 1000 cells in the lungs and MLN are presenting the HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅/A^b epitope at both time points. Together, these data indicate that the HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅/A^b epitope is widely expressed during the course of an influenza virus infection.

3.5. Partial control of viral infection in HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅ vaccinated mice

To investigate the capacity of T cells specific for the HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅/A^b epitope to mediate antiviral control, we vaccinated mice with dendritic cells that had been pulsed with the HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅ peptide (control mice were left unvaccinated). Three weeks post vaccination, the mice were boosted with peptide emulsified in incomplete Freud's adjuvant and then infected with x31 influenza virus 2 weeks later. The absolute numbers of antigen-specific T cells in the secondary lymphoid organs and the viral loads in the lungs were determined on various days post-infection. Vaccination with dendritic cells pulsed with the HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅ peptide did not significantly alter the number of CD8⁺ T cells migrating to the lungs following infection (data not shown). However, HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅/A^b-specific cells were detected earlier in the lymphoid organs of vaccinated mice as compared to unvaccinated mice (day 6 versus day 8) (Figure 6A). In addition, substantially greater numbers of antigen-specific T cells were detected in vaccinated mice on day 8 post-infection (Figure 6A). Analysis of viral loads indicated that there was a significant reduction in viral titers on days 4 and 6 in the vaccinated mice (Figure 6B). However, viral clearance was not accelerated, with both vaccinated and unvaccinated mice clearing virus on day 12 (Figure 6B). Together these data indicate that vaccination with the HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅ peptide resulted in a significantly enhanced T cell response to viral challenge and a corresponding decrease viral titers in the lungs. However, it did not result in the accelerated clearance of virus from the lungs.

4. Discussion

A major limitation in our understanding of the CD4⁺ T cell response to influenza virus infection has been the lack of information on the numbers, source proteins, and relative contributions of class II epitopes that drive the response. To begin to address this problem, we undertook a peptide screen of all the major influenza virus proteins to identify specific epitopes in C57BL/6 mice. This approach identified a large number of T cell epitopes that were derived predominantly from a relatively limited number of proteins. We had initially speculated that the number of epitopes would reflect the length of the protein and its relative abundance in infected cells. Consistent with this,

the nucleoprotein and hemagglutinin proteins contained large numbers of epitopes. However, the neuraminidase protein, which is also relatively abundant, did not contain any I-A^b-restricted epitopes at all and the acidic polymerase protein, which has a relatively low abundance, appeared to contain multiple epitopes. It should be noted that although no epitopes were detected in the NA protein, this did not appear to reflect a general feature of this protein as multiple epitopes were identified in x31 NA protein in a parallel screen with BALB/c (H-2^d) mice (data not shown). As expected, there was no cross-reactivity between the HA and NA proteins derived from x31 and PR8 viruses in C57BL/6 mice. This is consistent with reports that these proteins do not elicit cross-reactive antibodies or T cell responses [30, 31].

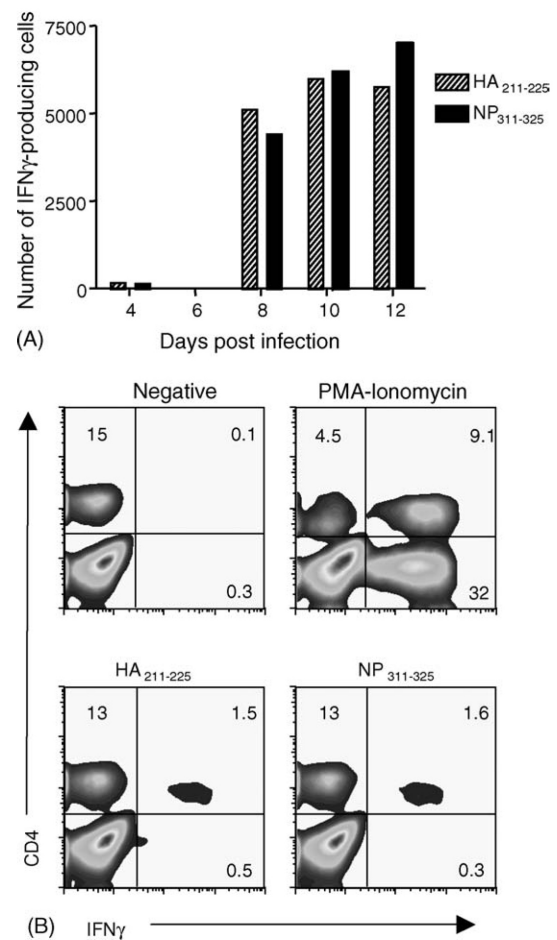


Figure 4. Kinetics of the antigen-specific CD4⁺ T cell response following influenza virus infection. C57BL/6 mice were intranasally infected with 300 EID₅₀ x31 influenza virus. Panel A: On days 4, 6, 8, 10, and 12 post infection, cells from the lung airways were collected and incubated for 5 h in the presence of the HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅ or NP₃₁₁₋₃₂₅ peptide and Brefeldin A. Following stimulation, the cells were stained with anti-CD4 FITC, anti-CD8 PerCP, anti-IFN γ PE, and anti-CD44 allophycocyanin. Shown is the number of epitope-specific CD4⁺ T cells on the different days post infection. Panel B shows the percentage of lung airway cells producing IFN γ following stimulation on day 10 post infection.

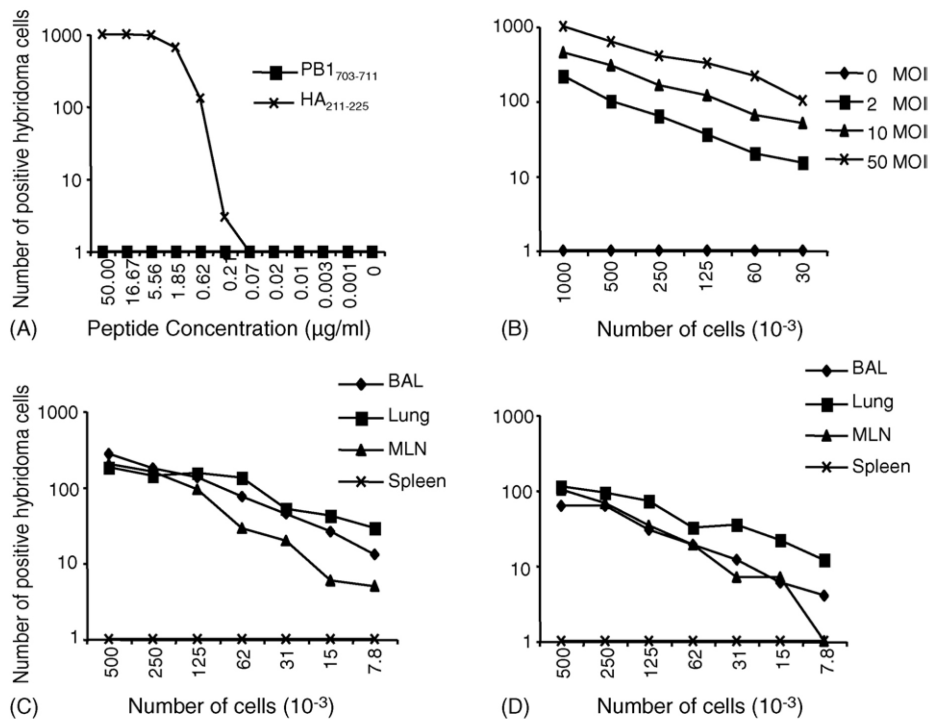


Figure 5. Antigen presentation of the HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅/A^b epitope following infection with influenza virus. Panel A: clone H-#-SM101.3 was screened using I-A^b transfected L cells incubated overnight with either the PB1₇₀₃₋₇₁₁ or HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅ peptides at the indicated concentrations. The graphs show the number of positive Lac Z hybridomas per well (no more than 2000 spots were counted per well). Panel B: splenocytes were collected from uninfected mice and then infected in vitro with influenza virus at a multiplicity of infection of 0, 2, 10, or 50 for 4 h. The infected cells were irradiated and then plated in increasing numbers in a standard antigen presentation assay with the H-#-SM101.3 hybridoma. Panels C and D: mice were infected intranasally with x31 and cells from the lung airways, lung parenchyma, MLN, and spleens were collected on day 4 (panel C) or day 6 (panel D) post infection. Two-fold serial dilutions of cells were made in flat-bottom, 96-well plates starting at 10⁵ cells/well and a standard antigen presentation assay was performed using the I-A^b HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅ restricted H-#-SM101.3 Lac Z-inducible hybridoma.

An important question raised by these studies is what is the absolute number of class II-restricted epitopes involved in the response to infection? Any analysis of the ELISpot data must take into account that: (i) a single epitope can reside on up to three neighboring peptides; (ii) there is potential inclusion of class I-restricted epitopes and (iii) the data include some false positives. The issue of adjacent peptides and known class I epitopes is easily addressed, and taking these issues into account, we estimate that there are approximately 60 putative epitopes in H-2^b mice (approximately 10 each in HA and PB2 and 20 each in NP and PA). The issue of false positives is more difficult to address. However, we can estimate the frequency of real class II epitopes among positive responses based on the analysis of a selected set of peptides in Figure 3. In this case, we analyzed 36 peptides that corresponded to 21 putative epitopes (taking into account overlapping peptides and excluding peptides that were only positive in the RANKPEP analysis). Ten of them (48%) appeared to be real class II-restricted epitopes that elicited a significant T cell response in an independent intracellular cytokine assay (greater than 1% of CD4⁺ T cells in the lung airways during an acute response to infection). Thus, we speculate that about 48% of the 60 putative epitopes (about 29 epitopes) identified in the entire screen are

likely to be real epitopes. This is in the same range as the number of class I-restricted epitopes that have been identified in this MHC haplotype (16 K^b and D^b-restricted epitopes) [8, 32]. Moreover, two of the epitopes, HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅/A^b and NP₃₁₁₋₃₂₅/A^b, were shown to dominate the CD4⁺ T cell response to infection, accounting for 31% of the CD4⁺ T cells present in the lung airways at the peak of the response. This is very similar to the pattern of immunodominance in the CD8⁺ T cell response where a limited number of epitopes dominate the entire response [8, 32]. However, it should be noted that C57BL/6 mice only express a single MHC class II molecule (I-A^b) due to the deletion of the I-E^a gene. Thus, our estimate of the breadth of the CD4⁺ T cell repertoire in C57BL/6 mice may underestimate the breadth of the repertoire in mice that express multiple MHC class II molecules. Further estimation of the repertoire will come from more detailed follow up analysis of the many putative epitopes identified in this study and a study of responses in mice expressing different MHC haplotypes.

In addition to analyzing T cell responses using an ELISpot assay, we also analyzed the proteins using the RANKPEP algorithm. There was generally only a modest correlation between the two approaches in terms of their ability to identify epitopes (Table 2). For example,

the HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅/A^b epitope, which was found to contribute substantially to the CD4⁺ T cell response, was predicted by RANKPEP to be an immunodominant epitope with a 33.6% optimal binding score and a rank of 3. However, another epitope, which also contributed to the CD4⁺ T cell response (NP₃₁₁₋₃₂₅/A^b), was not predicted as an immunodominant epitope by RANKPEP with only a 20% optimal binding score and a rank of 14. In contrast, the PA₄₅₆₋₄₇₀ peptide elicited weak ELISpot responses but was predicted by RANKPEP to be an optimal binder (38% optimal binding and number 1 rank). Therefore, while the RANKPEP algorithms can be useful in predicting immunodominant epitopes, this methodology can result in both "false positives" (such as PA₄₅₆₋₄₇₀) and "false negatives" (such as NP₃₁₁₋₃₂₅).

A critical question regarding the inflammatory CD4⁺ T cell response has been its capacity to mediate protective immunity. Several studies have indicated that CD4⁺ T cells are generally not required for protection [33, 34]. However, evidence from a parainfluenza virus system suggests that CD4⁺ T cells can mediate substantial viral control against secondary challenge [16, 26] and studies using B cell deficient mice have suggested that CD4 T cells play an important role in enhancing protective antibody responses [35]. To address these issues in the influenza virus system, we vaccinated mice with the HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅ peptide and demonstrated that this resulted in significant reductions in viral titers following a subsequent viral challenge. Interestingly, although the numbers of antigen-specific CD4⁺ T cells was significantly enhanced in the vaccinated mice and persisted through day 12, this did not result in accelerated viral clearance. It is possible that this may reflect a general feature of inflammatory CD4⁺ T cell responses to influenza virus or the need for antibodies to mediate late viral clearance. However, we have found that transgenic CD4⁺ effector T cells are able to mediate viral clearance and protection in an adoptive transfer model, suggesting that the effect may be epitope-dependent and reflect differences in effector functions, such as levels of TNF α secretion [36]. In this regard, we have shown that different MHC class I-restricted influenza virus epitopes differ in their capacity to elicit protective immune responses. We are currently addressing these differences experimentally.

In summary, the data presented here indicate that the numbers of influenza virus MHC class II and class I-restricted epitopes in C57BL/6 mice are not significantly different and the T cell response to these epitopes tend to be dominated by only a limited number of epitopes. The data presented here will also provide a basis for further detailed studies of CD4⁺ T cell responses to influenza virus.

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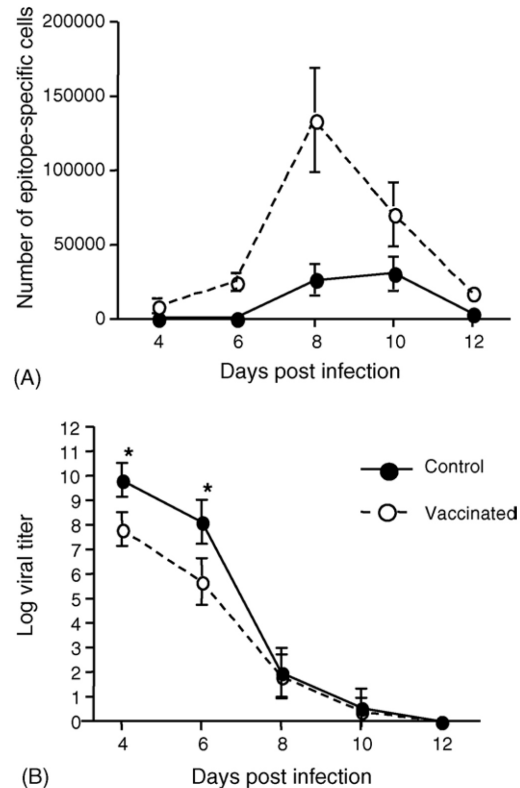


Figure 6. Vaccination with the HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅ peptide results in increased epitope-specific T cells and decreased viral load on days 4 and 6. Mice were injected i.v. with 0.5×10^6 dendritic cells pulsed with the HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅ peptide of influenza. Three weeks post vaccination, the mice were boosted by a subcutaneous injection of the HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅ peptide in incomplete Freund's adjuvant. Two weeks following boosting, the mice were infected with 600 EID₅₀ x31. Panel A: on days 4, 6, 8, 10, and 12 post infection, cells from the spleen were collected, restimulated with the HA₂₁₁₋₂₂₅ peptide, and stained anti-CD4 FITC, anti-CD8 PerCP, anti-IFN γ PE, and anti-CD44 allophycocyanin. Shown is the number (average \pm S.D.) of epitope-specific CD4⁺ T cells on the different days post infection. Panel B shows the viral titer (average \pm S.D.) in the lungs on the different days post infection. The data shown are the average and standard deviation from three independent experiments with each experiment containing six mice per time point (three control and three vaccinated).

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Appendix B. Supplementary data

Supplemental Table 1. x31 Influenza virus peptides

Peptide Sequence	Elispot ^a
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HA 6-20	ALSYIFCLALGQDLP 2 6
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HA 16-30	GQDLPGNDNSTALC 3 4
HA 21-35	GNDNSTALCLGHHA 2 3
HA 26-40	TATLCLGHHAVPNGT 7 2
HA 31-45	LGHHAVPNGTLVKTI 7 2
HA 36-50	VPNGTLVKTITDDQI 3 6
HA 41-55	LVKITDDQIEVTNA 2 4
HA 46-60	TDDQIEVTNATELVQ 9 7
HA 51-65	EVTNATELVQSSSTG 5 5
HA 56-70	TELVQSSSTGKICNN 2 3
HA 61-75	SSSTGKICNNPHRIL 3 5
HA 66-80	KICNNPHRILDGIDC 4 4
HA 71-85	PHRILDGIDCTLIDA 4 7
HA 76-90	DGIDCTLIDALLGDP 3 5
HA 81-95	TLIDALLGDPHCDVF 2 5
HA 86-100	LLGDPHCDVFQNETW 6 8
HA 91-105	HCDVFQNETWDLFVE 4 8
HA 96-110	QNETWDLFVERSKAF 3 10
HA 101-115	DLFVERSKAFSNCYP 2 7
HA 106-120	RSKAFSNCYPYDVPD 3 6
HA 111-125	SNCYPYDVPDYASLR 5 5
HA 116-130	YDVPDYASLRSLVAS 5 4
HA 121-135	YASLRSLVASSGTLE 3 6
HA 126-140	SLVASSGTLEFITEG 2 4
HA 131-145	SGTLEFITEGFTWTG 4 4
HA 136-150	FITEGFTWTGVTQNG 3 2
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HA 191-205	DKLYIWGIHHPSTNQ 11 4
HA 196-210	WGIHHPSTNQEQTSL 14 16
HA 201-215	PSTNQEQTSLYVQAS 33 14
HA 206-220	EQTSLYVQASGRVTV 46 28
HA 211-225	YVQASGRVTVSTRRS 43 35
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HA 221-235	STRRSQQTIIIPNIGS 2 8
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HA 236-250	RPWVRLSSRSIYW 3 6
HA 241-255	GLSSRSIYWTVIKP 1 4
HA 246-260	ISIWTVIKPGDVLV 3 5
HA 251-265	TIVKPGDVLVINSNG 2 5
HA 256-270	GDVLVINSNGNLIAP 2 9
HA 261-275	INSNGNLIAPRGYFK 42 20
HA 266-280	NLIAPRGYFKMRTGK 5 13
HA 271-285	RGYFKMRTGKSSIMR 1 10
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HA 486-500	YHKCDNACIESIRNG 5 5

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HA 501-515	TYDHDVYRDEALNNR	9 3	NA 191-205	HVCITGDDKNATASF	1 3
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HA 511-525	ALNNRFQIKGVELKS	3 8	NA 201-215	ATASFIYDGRLVDSI	4 12
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HA 526-540	GYKDWILWISFAISC	2 4	NA 216-230	GSWSQNILRTQESEC	3 6
HA 531-545	ILWISFAISCFLLCV	0 7	NA 221-235	NILRTQESECVCING	2 5
HA 536-550	FAISCFLLCVLLGF	0 7	NA 226-240	QESECVCINGTCTV	3 4
HA 541-555	FLLCVLLGFIMWAC	8 3	NA 231-245	VCINGTCTVMTDGS	1 6
HA 546-560	VLLGFIMWACQRGNI	1 6	NA 236-250	TCTVMTDGSASGRA	2 3
HA 551-565	IMWACQRGNIRCNI	3 4	NA 241-255	MTDGSASGRADTRIL	2 4
HA 556-566	QRGNIRCNICI	2 4	NA 246-260	ASGRADTRILFIEEG	1 5
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NA 11-25	GSVSLTIATVCFMLQ	4 6	NA 261-275	KIVHISPLSGSAQHV	3 3
NA 16-30	TIATVCFMLQIAILV	3 5	NA 266-280	SPLSGSAQHVEECSC	2 6
NA 21-35	CFMLQIAILVTTVTL	0 6	NA 271-285	SAQHVEECSCYPRYP	1 4
NA 26-40	IAILVTTVTLHFKQY	1 4	NA 276-290	EECSCYPRYPGVRCI	2 14
NA 31-45	TTVTLHFKQYECDSP	1 5	NA 281-295	YPRYPGVRICICRDNW	1 4
NA 36-50	HFKQYECDSPASNQV	5 3	NA 286-300	GVRICICRDNWKGNSR	0 7
NA 41-55	ECDSPASNQVMPCEP	9 5	NA 291-305	CRDNWKGNSRNPVVDI	2 7
NA 46-60	ASNQVMPCEPIIIER	1 8	NA 296-310	KGNSRNPVVDINMEDY	3 4
NA 51-65	MPCEPIIIERNITEI	6 8	NA 301-315	PVVDINMEDYSIDSS	0 3
NA 56-70	IIERNITEIVYLNN	2 3	NA 306-320	NMEDYSIDSSYVCSG	2 2
NA 61-75	NITEIVYLNNTTIEK	0 2	NA 311-325	SIDSSYVCSGLVGDT	2 4
NA 66-80	VYLNNTTIEKEICPK	2 3	NA 316-330	YVCSGLVGDTPRNDD	3 13
NA 71-85	TTIEKEICPKVVEYR	2 3	NA 321-335	LVGDTPRNDDRSSNS	0 6
NA 76-90	EICPKVVEYRNWSKP	4 7	NA 326-340	PRNDDRSSNSNCRNP	0 3
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NA 91-105	QCQITGFAPFSKDNS	4 5	NA 341-355	NNERGNQGQVKGWAFD	1 4
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NA 106-120	IRLSAGGDIWVTREP	3 5	NA 356-370	NGDDVWMGRTISKDL	2 5
NA 111-125	GGDIWVTREPYVSCD	4 10	NA 361-375	WMGRTISKDLRSGYE	0 4
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NA 121-135	YVSCDHGKCYQFALG	0 4	NA 371-385	RSGYETFKVIGGWST	2 7
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NA 131-145	QFALGQGTTLDNKHS	1 7	NA 381-395	GGWSTPNSKSQINRQ	0 7
NA 136-150	QGTTLDNKHSNDTIH	3 6	NA 386-400	PNSKSQINRQVIVDS	1 3
NA 141-155	DNKHSNDTIHDRIPH	1 4	NA 391-405	QINRQVIVDSDNRSR	2 3
NA 146-160	NDTIHDRIPHRTLLM	1 2	NA 396-410	VIVDSDNRSRSGYSGIF	1 3
NA 151-165	DRIPHRTLLMNELGV	0 3	NA 401-415	DNRSRSGYSGIFSVGK	1 10
NA 156-170	RTLLMNELGVPFHLG	2 3	NA 406-420	YSGIFSVGKSCINR	1 4
NA 161-175	NELGVPFHLGTRQVC	4 5	NA 411-425	SVEGKSCINRCFYVE	2 10
NA 166-180	PFHLGTRQVCIAWSS	1 4	NA 416-430	SCINRCFYVELIRGR	2 12
NA 171-185	TRQVCIAWSSSSCHD	2 6	NA 421-435	CFYVELIRGRKQETR	2 4
NA 176-190	IAWSSSSCHDGKAWL	2 7	NA 424-438	VELIRGRKQETRWWW	3 7

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NA 439-453	TSNSIVFCGTSPTY	0 4	NP 226-240	LKGKGFQAAQKAMMD	6 6
NA 444-458	VVFCGTSPTYGTGSW	3 8	NP 231-245	QTAAQKAMMDQVRES	4 8
NA 449-463	TSGTYGTGSWPDGAN	1 4	NP 236-250	KAMMDQVRESRNPNGN	5 6
NA 454-468	GTGSWPDGANINFMP	1 4	NP 241-255	QVRESRNPNGNAEFED	2 0
NA 459-469	PDGANINFMPI	0 12	NP 246-260	RNPNGNAEFEDLTFLA	7 3
NP 1-15	MASQGTKRSYEQMET	4 5	NP 251-265	AEFEDLTFLARSALI	8 5
NP 6-20	TKRSYEQMETDGERQ	9 6	NP 256-270	LTFLARSALILRGSV	6 4
NP 11-25	EQMETDGERQNATEI	3 10	NP 261-275	RSALILRGSVAHKSC	28 13
NP 16-30	DGERQNATEIRASVG	2 15	NP 266-280	LRGSVAHKSCLPACV	56 30
NP 21-35	NATEIRASVGKMIGG	14 5	NP 271-285	AHKSCLPACVYGPVAV	47 23
NP 26-40	RASVGKMIGGIGRFY	10 12	NP 276-290	LPACVYGPVAVASGYD	100 69
NP 31-45	KMIGGIGRFYIQMCT	5 6	NP 281-295	YGPVAVASGYDFEREG	16 6
NP 36-50	IGRFYIQMCTELKLS	10 10	NP 286-300	ASGYDFEREGYSLVG	10 3
NP 41-55	IQMCTELKLSDYEGR	3 3	NP 291-305	FEREGYSLVGIDPFR	6 3
NP 46-60	ELKLSDYEGRLIQNS	3 12	NP 296-310	YSLVGIDPFRLLQNS	22 2
NP 51-65	DYEGRLIQNSLTIER	6 11	NP 301-315	IDPFRLLQNSQVYSL	8 2
NP 56-70	LIQNSLTIERMVLSA	3 6	NP 306-320	LLQNSQVYSLIRPNE	34 8
NP 61-75	LTIERMVLSAFDERR	9 12	NP 311-325	QVYSLIRPNENPAHK	38 41
NP 66-80	MVLSAFDERRNKYLE	17 5	NP 316-330	IRPNENPAHKSQVLW	20 23
NP 71-85	FDERRNKYLEEHPSA	3 3	NP 321-335	NPAHKSQVLVWMAHCS	22 7
NP 76-90	NKYLEEHPSAGKDPK	2 9	NP 326-340	SQLVWMAHCSAAFED	26 17
NP 81-95	EHPSAGKDPKKTGGP	2 8	NP 331-345	MACHSAAFEDLRVLS	3 7
NP 86-100	GKDPKKTGGPIYRRV	6 5	NP 336-350	AAFEDLRVLSFIKGT	5 15
NP 91-105	KTGGPIYRRVNGKWM	25 17	NP 341-355	LRVLSFIKGTKVLPR	4 3
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NP 106-120	RELILYDKEEIRRIW	15 26	NP 356-370	GKLSTRGVQIASNEN	18 14
NP 111-125	YDKEEIRRIWRQANN	8 2	NP 361-375	RGVQIASNENMETME	177 139
NP 116-130	IRRIWRQANNGGDAT	8 12	NP 366-380	ASNENMETMESSTLE	188 3
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NP 161-175	PRMCSLMQGSTLPRR	45 22	NP 411-425	TFSVQRNLPFDRTTI	3 4
NP 166-180	LMQGSTLPRRSAGAAG	12 5	NP 416-430	RNLPFDRTTIIMAAFN	26 8
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NP 176-190	SGAAGAAVKGVGTMV	6 3	NP 423-437	TIIIMAAFNNGTEGRS	24 11
NP 181-195	AAVKGVGTMVMEVLR	7 3	NP 428-442	FNGNTEGRSMDMRTE	1 3
NP 186-200	VGTMVMEVLRMIKRG	8 8	NP 433-447	EGRSMDMRTEIIRMM	3 2
NP 191-205	MELVRMIKRGINDRN	12 16	NP 438-452	DMRTEIIRMMESARP	8 7
NP 196-210	MIKRGINDRNFWRGE	30 21	NP 443-457	IIRMMESARPEDVSF	4 14
NP 201-215	INDRNFWRGNGRKT	34 39	NP 448-462	ESARPEDVSFQGRGV	3 3
NP 206-220	FWRGNGRKTIRIAYE	91 82	NP 453-467	EDVSFQGRGVFELSD	8 4
NP 211-225	NGRKTIRIAYERMCNI	82 61	NP 458-472	QGRGVFELSDKAAS	2 3

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NP 473-487	PIVPSFDMSNEGSYF	0	4	PA 231-245	AYVDGFEPNGYIEGK	7	4
NP 478-493	FDMSNEGSYFFGDNA	0	2	PA 236-250	FEPNGYIEGKLSQMS	0	3
NP 484-498	EGSYFFGDNAEEYDN	0	5	PA 241-255	YIEGKLSQMSKEVNA	2	3
NP 489-498	FGDNAEEYDN	2	3	PA 246-260	LSQMSKEVNARIEPF	23	14
PA 1-15	MEDFVRQCFNPMIVE	5	2	PA 251-265	KEVNARIEPFLKTTT	26	14
PA 6-20	RQCFNPMIVELAECT	3	8	PA 256-270	RIEPFLKTTTTPRPLRL	29	17
PA 11-25	PMIVELAECTMKEYG	2	6	PA 261-275	LKTTTPRPLRLPNGPP	23	3
PA 16-30	LAECTMKEYGEDLKI	0	8	PA 266-280	RPLRLPNGPPCSQRS	32	6
PA 21-35	MKEYGEDLKIETNKF	4	8	PA 271-285	PNGPPCSQRSKFLLM	48	6
PA 26-40	EDLKIETNKFAAICT	9	4	PA 276-290	CSQRSKFLLM DALKL	26	27
PA 31-45	ETNKFAAICTHLEVC	3	12	PA 281-295	KFLLM DALKLSIEDP	27	6
PA 36-50	AAICTHLEVCFMYS	3	8	PA 286-300	DALKLSIEDPSHEGE	14	3
PA 41-55	HLEVCFMYSDFHFIN	5	10	PA 291-305	SIEDPSHEGEGIPLY	4	5
PA 46-60	FMYSDFHFINEQGES	6	10	PA 296-310	SHEGEGIPLYDAIKC	2	9
PA 51-65	FHFINEQGESIIVEL	9	6	PA 301-315	GIPLYDAIKCMRTFF	10	7
PA 56-70	EQGESIIVELGDPSA	1	7	PA 306-320	DAIKCMRTFFGWKEP	2	9
PA 61-75	IIVELGDPSALLKHR	3	10	PA 311-325	MRTFFGWKEPNVVVKP	11	14
PA 66-80	GDPSALLKHRFEIIE	2	10	PA 316-330	GWKEPNVVVKPHEKGI	16	16
PA 71-85	LLKHRFEIIEGRDRT	7	7	PA 321-335	NVVVKPHEKGINPNYL	19	8
PA 76-90	FEIIEGRDRTMAWTV	1	9	PA 326-340	HEKGINPNYLLSWKQ	14	12
PA 81-95	GRDRTMAWTVVNSIC	4	10	PA 331-345	NPNYLLSWKQVLAEL	6	3
PA 86-100	MAWTVVNSICNTTGA	9	12	PA 336-350	LSWKQVLAELQDIEN	19	6
PA 91-105	VNSICNTTGAEKPKF	4	14	PA 341-355	VLAELQDIENEKIP	21	4
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PA 146-160	HIFSFTGEEMATKAD	14	5	PA 396-410	DEPEL RSLASWIQNE	8	3
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PA 201-215	IEERFEITGTMRKLA	5	8	PA 451-465	EVSHCRATEYIMKGV	17	16
PA 206-220	EITGTMRKLADQSLP	17	8	PA 456-470	RATEYIMKGVYINTA	18	13
PA 211-225	MRKLADQSLPPNFSS	13	5	PA 461-475	IMKGVYINTALLNAS	1	15
PA 216-230	DQSLPPNFSSLENFR	134	24	PA 466-480	YINTALLNASCAAMD	8	7

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PA 491-505	CRTKEGRRKTNLYGF	7 3	PB1 31-45	SHGTGTGYTMDTVNR	0 1
PA 496-510	GRRKTNLYGFIKGR	5 2	PB1 36-50	TGYTMDTVNRTHQYS	2 4
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PA 506-520	IIGRSHLRNDDTVV	4 7	PB1 46-60	THQYSEKGRWTTNTE	0 10
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PA 521-535	NFVSMFSLTDPRLLE	4 5	PB1 61-75	TGAPQLNPIDGPLPE	2 5
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PA 541-555	KYCVLEIGDMLIRSA	8 3	PB1 81-95	GYAQTDCVLEVMFAFL	5 7
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PA 561-575	RPMFLYVRTNGTSKI	7 3	PB1 101-115	GIFENSCIETMEVVQ	9 6
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PA 621-635	WPIGESPKGVEESSI	3 2	PB1 161-175	GRLIDFLKDVESMN	1 7
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PA 631-645	EESSIGKVCRLLAK	4 5	PB1 171-185	MESMNKEEMGITTHF	3 4
PA 636-650	GKVCRLLAKSVFNS	2 7	PB1 176-190	KEEMGITTHFQRKRR	1 6
PA 641-655	TLLAKSVFNSLYASP	2 4	PB1 181-195	ITTHFQRKRRVRDNM	2 5
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PA 651-665	LYASPQLEGFSAESR	1 8	PB1 191-205	VRDNMTKKMITQRTM	3 9
PA 656-670	QLEGFSAESRLLLLI	0 1	PB1 196-210	TKKMITQRTMGKKKQ	5 9
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PA 666-680	KLLLLIVQALRDNL	1 1	PB1 206-220	GKKKQRLNKRSLIR	1 5
PA 671-685	VQALRDNLPGTFDL	1 2	PB1 211-225	RLNKRSLIRALTLN	2 6
PA 676-690	DNLEPGFDLGGLYE	0 1	PB1 216-230	SYLIRALTLNMTKD	2 14
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PA 701-715	WVLLNASWFNSFLTH	4 7	PB1 241-255	IATPGMQIRGFVYFV	5 3
PA 706-716	ASWFNSFLTHALS	1 1	PB1 246-260	MQIRGFVYFVETLAR	2 11
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PB1 291-305	TNSQDELSFITGD	4	7		
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PB1 306-320	NTKWNENQNPRMFLA	0	16		
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PB1 321-335	MITYMTRNQPEWFRN	3	10		
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PB1 331-345	EWFRNVLSIAPIMFS	4	16		
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PB1 361-375	SMKLRTQIPAELAS	0	7		
PB1 366-380	TQIPAELASIDLKY	2	6		
PB1 371-385	EMLASIDLKYFNDST	2	5		
PB1 376-390	IDLKYFNDSTRKKIE	0	7		
PB1 381-395	FNDSTRKKIEKIRPL	0	6		
PB1 386-400	RKKIEKIRPLIEGT	7	2		
PB1 391-405	KIRPLIEGTASLSP	3	2		
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PB1 401-415	ASLSPGMMMGFMNML	6	5		
PB1 406-420	GMMMGFMNMLSTVLG	0	15		
PB1 411-425	MFNMLSTVLGVSILN	5	7		
PB1 416-430	STVLGVSILNLGQKR	2	2		
PB1 421-435	VSILNLGQKRYTKTT	0	3		
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PB1 471-485	TCKLLGINMSKKKSY	2	6		
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PB1 511-525	LPSFGVSGINESADM	10	7		
PB1 516-530	VSGINESADMSIGVT	2	2		
PB1 521-535	ESADMSIGVTVIKNN	1	4		
PB1 526-540	SIGVTVIKNNMINND	3	2		
PB1 531-545	VIKNNMINNDLGPAT	4	3		
PB1 536-550	MINNDLGPATAQMAL	3	1		
PB1 541-555	LGPATAQMALQLFIK	8	1		
PB1 546-560	AQMALQLFIKDYRYT	3	2		
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PB1 556-570	DYRYTYRCHRGDQI	9	4		
PB1 561-575	YRCHRGDQIQTRRS	8	8		
PB1 566-580	GDTQIQTRRSFEIKK	4	6		
PB1 571-585	QTRRSFEIKKLWEQT	6	5		
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PB1 581-595	LWEQTRSKAGLLVSD	9	3		
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PB1 631-645	NPFVSHKEIESMNNNA	10	5		
PB1 636-650	HKEIESMNNNAVMMMPA	9	6		
PB1 641-655	SMNNNAVMMMPAHGPAK	0	2		
PB1 646-660	VMMPAHGPKNMEYD	0	1		
PB1 651-665	HGPAKNMEYDAVATT	6	2		
PB1 656-670	NMEYDAVATTHSWIP	1	5		
PB1 661-675	AVATTHSWIPKRNRS	3	2		
PB1 666-680	HSWIPKRNRSILNTS	1	1		
PB1 671-685	KRNRSILNTSQRGVL	0	2		
PB1 676-690	ILNTSQRGVLGDEQM	1	4		
PB1 681-695	QRGVLGDEQMYQRCC	3	2		
PB1 686-700	GDEQMYQRCCNLFEK	2	1		
PB1 691-705	YQRCCNLFEKFFPSS	4	3		
PB1 696-710	NLFEKFFPSSSYRRP	2	0		
PB1 701-715	FFPSSSYRRPVGISS	86	36		
PB1 706-720	SYRRPVGISSMVEAM	12	8		
PB1 711-725	VGISSMVEAMVSRAR	2	3		
PB1 716-730	MVEAMVSRARIDARI	3	3		
PB1 721-735	VSRARIDARIDFESG	2	5		
PB1 726-740	IDARIDFESGRIKKE	4	3		
PB1 731-745	DFESGRIKKEEFTEI	1	3		
PB1 736-750	RIKKEEFTEIMKICS	2	4		
PB1 741-755	EFTEIMKICSTIEEL	2	7		
PB1 746-759	MKICSTIEELRRQK	6	4		
PB1 751-759	TIEELRRQK	2	4		
PB2 1-15	MERIKELRNLMSSQR	4	3		

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	PB2 6-20	ELRLNMSQSRTREIL	2 1		PB2 256-270	DQSLIIAARNIVRRA	5 5
	PB2 11-25	MSQSRTREILTKTTV	3 3		PB2 261-275	IAARNIVRRAAVSAD	6 3
	PB2 16-30	TREILTKTTVDHMAI	12 11		PB2 266-280	IVRRAAVSADPLASL	7 10
	PB2 21-35	TKTTVDHMAIIKKFT	3 5		PB2 271-285	AVSADPLASLLEMCH	10 5
	PB2 26-40	DHMAIIKKFTSGRQE	4 6		PB2 276-290	PLASLLEMCHSTQIG	6 3
	PB2 31-45	IKKFTSGRQEKNPAL	2 7		PB2 281-295	LEMCHSTQIGGIRMV	4 10
	PB2 36-50	SGRQEKNPALRMKWM	6 8		PB2 286-300	STQIGGIRMVDILRQ	5 6
	PB2 41-55	KNPALRMKWMAMKY	9 6		PB2 291-305	GIRMVDILRQNPTTEE	6 8
	PB2 46-60	RMKWMAMKYPITAD	11 5		PB2 296-310	DILRQNPTTEEQAVDI	4 3
	PB2 51-65	MAMKYPITADKRITE	7 8		PB2 301-315	NPTEEQAVDICKAAM	7 5
	PB2 56-70	PITADKRITEMIPER	4 4		PB2 306-320	QAVDICKAAMGLRIS	5 4
	PB2 61-75	KRITEMIPERNEQGQ	1 6		PB2 311-325	CKAAMGLRISSSF	3 6
	PB2 66-80	MIPERNEQGQTLWSK	4 7		PB2 316-330	GLRISSSFSGGFTF	11 12
	PB2 71-85	NEQGQTLWSKMNDAG	5 15		PB2 321-335	SSFSFGGFTFKRTSG	12 12
	PB2 76-90	TLWSKMNDAGSDRVM	7 7		PB2 326-340	GGFTFKRTSGSSVKR	1 10
	PB2 81-95	MNDAGSDRVMVSPLA	4 6		PB2 331-345	KRTSGSSVKREEEVL	14 7
	PB2 86-100	SDRVMVSPLAVTWWN	13 10		PB2 336-350	SSVKREEEVLGNLQ	1 5
	PB2 91-105	VSPLAVTWWNRNGPM	20 20		PB2 341-355	EEEVLGNLQTLKIR	3 10
	PB2 96-110	VTWWNRNGPMTNTVH	19 22		PB2 346-360	TGNLQTLKIRVHEGY	4 4
	PB2 101-115	RNGPMTNTVHYPKIY	14 12		PB2 351-365	TLKIRVHEGYEFTM	2 9
	PB2 106-120	TNTVHYPKIYKTYFE	32 17		PB2 356-370	VHEGYEFTMVGRRRA	1 10
	PB2 111-125	YPKIYKTYFERVERL	1 4		PB2 361-375	EEFTMVGRRRAILR	3 6
	PB2 116-130	KTYFERVERLKHGTF	6 6		PB2 366-380	VGRRRAILRKATRR	4 7
	PB2 121-135	RVERLKHGTFGPVHF	5 2		PB2 371-385	TAILRKATRRLIQLI	6 13
	PB2 126-140	KHGTFGPVHFRNQVK	0 4		PB2 376-390	KATRRLIQLIVSGRD	4 8
	PB2 131-145	GPVHFRNQVKIRRRV	4 14		PB2 381-395	LIQLIVSGRDEQSIA	3 7
	PB2 136-150	RNQVKIRRRVDINPG	8 4		PB2 386-400	VSGRDEQSIAEAIIV	2 7
	PB2 141-155	IRRRVDINPGHADLS	8 13		PB2 391-405	EQSIAEAIIVAMVFS	2 4
	PB2 146-160	DINPGHADLSAKEAQ	4 10		PB2 396-410	EAIIVAMVFSQEDCM	5 3
	PB2 151-165	HADLSAKEAQDVIME	5 12		PB2 401-415	AMVFSQEDCMIKAVR	1 7
	PB2 156-170	AKEAQDVIMEVFPN	3 6		PB2 406-420	QEDCMIKAVRGDLNF	5 4
	PB2 161-175	DVIMEVFPNEVGAR	3 12		PB2 411-425	IKAVRGDLNFVNRAN	6 11
	PB2 166-180	VFPNEVGARILTSE	4 7		PB2 416-430	GDLNFVNRANQRLNP	8 14
	PB2 171-185	EVGARILTSESQTLI	3 8		PB2 421-435	VNRANQRLNPMHQLL	4 4
	PB2 176-190	ILTSESQTLITKEKK	12 7		PB2 426-440	ANQRLNPMHQLLRHF	6 4
	PB2 181-195	SQTLITKEKKEELQD	3 6		PB2 431-445	NPMHQLLRHFQKDAK	0 1
	PB2 186-200	TKEKKEELQDCKISP	4 9		PB2 436-450	LLRHFQKDAKVLQFN	2 4
	PB2 191-205	EELQDCKISPLMVAY	5 11		PB2 441-455	QKDAKVLQFNWGVPEP	4 6
	PB2 196-210	CKISPLMVAYMLERE	42 30		PB2 446-460	VLQFNWGVPEPIDNVM	8 6
	PB2 201-215	LMVAYMLERELVRKT	3 4		PB2 451-465	WGVPEPIDNVMGMIGI	6 6
	PB2 206-220	MLERELVRKTRFLPV	2 5		PB2 456-470	IDNVMGMIGILPDMT	4 5
	PB2 211-225	LVRKTRFLPVAGGTS	6 3		PB2 461-475	GMIGILPDMTPSIEM	3 9
	PB2 216-230	RFLPVAGGTSVYIE	7 6		PB2 466-480	LPDMTPSIEMSMRGV	4 1
	PB2 221-235	AGGTSVYIEVLHHLT	11 10		PB2 471-485	PSIEMSMRGVRISKM	4 6
	PB2 226-240	SVYIEVLHHLTQGTWCW	5 5		PB2 476-490	SMRGVRISKMGVDEY	1 2
	PB2 231-245	VLHHLTQGTWCWEQMYT	2 7		PB2 481-495	RISKMGVDEYSSTER	3 2
	PB2 236-250	QGTWCWEQMYTPGGEV	1 5		PB2 486-500	GVDEYSSTERVVVSI	2 4
	PB2 241-255	EQMYTPGGEVRNDDV	8 2		PB2 491-505	SSTERVVVSIIDRFLR	4 3
	PB2 246-260	PGGEVRNDDVDQSLI	3 3		PB2 496-510	VVSIIDRFLRIRDQR	7 4
	PB2 251-265	RNDDVDQSLIIAARN	1 7		PB2 501-515	DRFLRIRDQRGNVLL	6 3

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PB2 506-520	IRDQRGNVLLSPEEV	4	4	NS1 1-15	MDPNTVSSFQVDCFL	1	5
PB2 511-525	GNVLLSPEEVSETQG	10	7	NS1 6-20	VSSFQVDCFLWHVRK	4	3
PB2 516-530	SPEEVSETQGTEKLT	8	4	NS1 11-25	VDCFLWHVRKRVADQ	2	2
PB2 521-535	SETQGTEKLTITYSS	15	9	NS1 16-30	WHVRKRVADQELGDA	3	7
PB2 526-540	TEKLTITYSSSMMWE	4	2	NS1 21-35	RVADQELGDAPFLDR	0	8
PB2 531-545	ITYSSSMMWEINGPE	26	2	NS1 26-40	ELGDAPFLDRLRRDQ	4	2
PB2 536-550	SMMWEINGPESVLVN	6	3	NS1 31-45	PFLDRLRRDQKSLRG	1	4
PB2 541-555	INGPESVLVNTYQWI	8	4	NS1 36-50	LRRDQKSLRGRGSTL	0	3
PB2 546-560	SVLVNTYQWIIRNWE	3	6	NS1 41-55	KSLRGRGSTLGLDIK	3	3
PB2 551-565	TYQWIIRNWETVKIQ	2	2	NS1 46-60	RGSTLGLDIKTATRA	1	5
PB2 556-570	IRNWETVKIQWSQNP	7	4	NS1 51-65	GLDIKTATRAGKQIV	1	1
PB2 561-575	TVKIQWSQNPTMLYN	3	6	NS1 56-70	TATRAGKQIVERILK	4	3
PB2 566-580	WSQNPTMLYNKMEFE	8	3	NS1 61-75	GKQIVERILKEESDE	2	3
PB2 571-585	TMLYNKMEFEPFQSL	5	2	NS1 66-80	ERILKEESDEALKMT	6	4
PB2 576-590	KMEFEPFQSLVPKAI	3	2	NS1 71-85	EESDEALKMTMASVP	3	2
PB2 581-595	PFQSLVPKAIHQYS	2	2	NS1 76-90	ALKMTMASVPASRYL	5	4
PB2 586-600	VPKAIHQYSQGFVRT	12	2	NS1 81-95	MASVPASRYLDTMTL	1	5
PB2 591-605	RGQYSQGFVRTLFQQM	3	3	NS1 86-100	ASRYLDTMTLEEMSR	3	3
PB2 596-610	GFVRTLFQQMRDVLG	8	5	NS1 91-105	TDMTLEEMSRDWSML	7	3
PB2 601-615	LFQQMRDVLGTFDTA	3	1	NS1 96-110	EEMSRDWSMLIPKQK	3	2
PB2 606-620	RDVLGTFDTAQIHL	5	1	NS1 101-115	DWSMLIPKQKVAGPL	6	12
PB2 611-625	TFDTAQIHLKLPFAA	4	3	NS1 106-120	IPKQKVAGPLCIRMD	5	23
PB2 616-630	QIHLKLPFAAAPPKQ	0	2	NS1 111-125	VAGPLCIRMDQAIMD	9	5
PB2 621-635	LPFAAAPPKQSRMQF	1	4	NS1 116-130	CIRMDQAIMDKNIL	3	3
PB2 626-640	APPKQSRMQFSSFTV	0	4	NS1 121-135	QAIMDKNILKANFS	2	5
PB2 631-645	SRMQFSSFTVNVGRS	2	3	NS1 126-140	KNILKANFSVIFDR	6	1
PB2 636-650	SSFTVNVGRSGMRIL	2	4	NS1 131-145	KANFSVIFDRLETLI	2	4
PB2 641-655	NVRGSGMRILVRGNS	2	6	NS1 136-150	VIFDRLETLILLRAF	5	8
PB2 646-660	GMRILVRGNSPVFNY	2	9	NS1 141-155	LETLILLRAFTEEGA	5	5
PB2 651-665	VRGNSPVFNYNKATK	1	4	NS1 146-160	LLRAFTEEGAIVGEI	12	2
PB2 656-670	PVFNYNKATKRLTVL	6	20	NS1 151-165	TEEGAIVGEISPLPS	2	3
PB2 661-675	NKATKRLTVLGKDAG	3	5	NS1 156-170	IVGEISPLPSLPGHT	7	6
PB2 666-680	RLTVLGKDAGLTED	3	2	NS1 161-175	SPLPSLPGHTAEDVK	7	2
PB2 671-685	GKDAGLTEDPDEGT	6	1	NS1 166-180	LPGHTAEDVKNAVGV	3	2
PB2 676-690	TLTEDPDEGTAGVES	1	2	NS1 171-185	AEDVKNAVGVLLIGL	4	6
PB2 681-695	PDEGTAGVESAVLRG	1	4	NS1 176-190	NAVGVLLIGGLEWNDN	3	4
PB2 686-700	AGVESAVLRGFLILG	1	1	NS1 181-195	LIGGLEWNDNTRVRS	7	3
PB2 691-705	AVLRGFLILGKEDKR	4	4	NS1 186-200	EWNDNTRVRSSETLQR	2	2
PB2 696-710	FLILGKEDKRYGPAL	3	5	NS1 191-205	TVRVSETLQRFAWRS	6	1
PB2 701-715	KEDKRYGPALSINEL	5	44	NS1 196-210	ETLQRFAWRSSNENG	14	2
PB2 706-720	YGPALSINELSNLAK	1	4	NS1 201-215	FAWRSSNENGRPPLT	11	3
PB2 711-725	SINELSNLAKGEKAN	3	5	NS1 206-220	SNENGRPPLTPKQKR	8	7
PB2 716-730	SNLAKGEKANVLIGQ	1	6	NS1 211-225	RPPLTPKQKREMAGT	3	11
PB2 721-735	GEKANVLIGQGDVVL	1	10	NS1 216-230	PKQKREMAGTIRSEV	6	8
PB2 726-740	VLIGQGDVVLVMKRK	5	5	NS1 221-230	EMAGTIRSEV	2	10
PB2 731-745	GDVVLVMKRKRDRSSI	13	5	NS2 1-15	MDPNTVSSFQDILLR	0	2
PB2 734-748	VMKRKRDRSSILTDSQ	0	8	NS2 6-20	VSSFQDILLRMSKMQ	2	3
PB2 737-751	DRSSILTDSQTATKR	0	29	NS2 11-25	DILLRMSKMQLESSS	1	0
PB2 742-756	LTDSQTATKRIRMAI	2	1	NS2 16-30	MSKMQLESSSEDLNG	1	1
PB2 747-757	TATKRIRMAIN	1	3	NS2 21-35	LESSSEDLNGMITQF	2	0

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NS2 26-40	EDLNGMITQFESLKL	8	5
NS2 31-45	MITQFESLKLRYRDSL	10	6
NS2 36-50	ESLKLRYRDSLGEAVM	5	3
NS2 41-55	YRDSLGEAVMRMGDL	3	5
NS2 46-60	GEAVMRMGDLHSLQN	1	4
NS2 51-65	RMGDLHSLQNRNEKW	0	3
NS2 56-70	HSLQNRNEKWREQLG	2	6
NS2 61-75	RNEKWREQLGQKFEE	4	2
NS2 66-80	REQLGQKFEEIRWLI	2	6
NS2 71-85	QKFEEIRWLIIEVRH	0	6
NS2 76-90	IRWLIIEVRHKLKIT	2	10
NS2 81-95	EEVRHKLKITENSFE	0	3
NS2 86-100	KLKITENSFEQITFM	4	4
NS2 91-105	ENSFEQITFMQALHL	11	61
NS2 96-110	QITFMQALHLLLEVE	2	5
NS2 101-115	QALHLLLEVEQEIRT	1	8
NS2 106-120	LLEVEQEIRTFSFQL	2	4
NS2 111-121	QEIRTFSFQLI	5	5
M1 1-15	MSFLTEVETVLSII	2	5
M1 6-20	EVETVLSIIPSGPL	2	6
M1 11-25	VLSIIPSGPLKAEIA	3	7
M1 16-30	PSGPLKAEIAQRLED	5	5
M1 21-35	KAEIAQRLEDVFAGK	1	13
M1 26-40	QRLEDVFAGKNTDLE	3	3
M1 31-45	VFAGKNTDLEVLMEW	4	2
M1 36-50	NTDLEVLMEWLKTRP	3	2
M1 41-55	VLMEWLKTRPILSPL	5	6
M1 46-60	LKTRPILSPLTKGIL	9	3
M1 51-65	ILSPLTKGILGFVFT	6	2
M1 56-70	TKGILGFVFTLTVPS	3	16
M1 61-75	GFVFTLTVPSERGLQ	7	4
M1 66-80	LTVPSERGLQRRRFV	3	3
M1 71-85	ERGLQRRRFVQNALN	1	3
M1 76-90	RRRFVQNALNGNDP	3	4
M1 81-95	QNALNGNDPNMMDK	6	3
M1 86-100	GNGDPNNMDKAVKLY	6	2
M1 91-105	NNMDKAVKLYRKLKR	1	2
M1 96-110	AVKLYRKLKREITFH	4	14
M1 101-115	RKLKREITFHGAKEI	4	6
M1 106-120	EITFHGAKEISLSYS	12	4
M1 111-125	GAKEISLSYSAGALA	2	2
M1 116-130	SLSYSAGALASCMGL	3	6
M1 121-135	AGALASCMGLIYNRM	7	6
M1 126-140	SCMGLIYNRMGAVTT	5	4
M1 131-145	IYNRMGAVTTEVAFG	2	10
M1 136-150	GAVTTEVAFGLVCAT	2	7
M1 141-155	EVAFGLVCATCEQIA	7	7
M1 146-160	LVCATCEQIADSQHR	4	4
M1 151-165	CEQIADSQHRSRQRM	4	16
M1 156-170	DSQHRSRQRMVTTTN	6	3

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M1 161-175	SHRQMVTTTNPLIRH	2	6
M1 166-180	VTTTNPLIRHENRMV	3	2
M1 171-185	PLIRHENRMVLA	1	2
M1 176-190	ENRMVLA	4	7
M1 181-195	LASTTAKAMEQ	7	6
M1 186-200	AKAMEQ	4	2
M1 191-205	QMAGSSEQA	0	3
M1 196-210	SEQAAEAMEV	1	9
M1 201-215	EAMEVASQARQMVQA	12	32
M1 206-220	ASQARQMVQAMITIG	9	35
M1 211-225	QMVQAMITIGTHPSS	11	29
M1 216-230	MITIGTHPSSSAGLK	3	8
M1 221-230	THPSSSAGLKNDLLE	4	14
M1 226-240	SAGLKNDLLENLQAY	7	3
M1 231-245	NDLLENLQAYQKRMG	8	5
M1 236-250	NLQAYQKRMGVQMQR	3	5
M1 241-252	QKRMGVQMQRFK	1	2
M2 1-15	MSFLTEVETPIRNEW	0	5
M2 6-20	EVETPIRNEWGCRN	0	5
M2 11-25	IRNEWGCRN	1	4
M2 16-30	GCRN	4	4
M2 21-35	GSSDPLTIAANIIGI	1	6
M2 26-40	LTIANIIGILHRTL	0	4
M2 31-45	NIIGILHRTLWMLDR	1	5
M2 36-50	LHRTLWMLDR	5	14
M2 41-55	WMLDR	10	5
M2 46-60	LFFKCIYRRFKYGLK	5	10
M2 51-65	IYRRFKYGLKGGPST	5	6
M2 56-70	KYGLKGGPSTEGVPK	3	3
M2 61-75	GGPSTEGVPKSMREE	2	3
M2 66-80	EGVPKSMREEYRKEQ	6	4
M2 71-85	SMREEYRKEQSAVD	4	4
M2 76-90	YRKEQSAVD	6	8
M2 81-95	QSAVD	5	10
M2 86-97	TDDGHFVSIFLE	8	10

^a Number of Elispots from 10⁵ spleen cells, determined in two independent experiments. Peptides were screened on mice that had recovered from an x31 infection. The regions containing the known Class I and Class II epitopes are indicated by shading and the peptides investigated further are in bold.

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Peptide Sequence		Elispot ^a		Peptide Sequence		Elispot ^a	
HA 1-15	MKANLLVLLSALAAA	0	0	HA 256-270	IIFEANGNLIAPMYA	1	5
HA 6-20	LVLLSALAAADADTI	0	0	HA 261-275	NGNLIAPMYAFALSR	2	4
HA 11-25	ALAAADADTICIGYH	1	1	HA 266-280	APMYAFALSRGFGSG	1	3
HA 16-30	DADTICIGYHANNST	3	1	HA 271-285	FALSRGFGSGIITSN	2	1
HA 21-35	CIGYHANNSTDTVDT	2	1	HA 276-290	GFGSGIITSNASMHE	3	5
HA 26-40	ANNSTDTVDTVLEKN	4	2	HA 281-295	IITSNASMHECNTKC	4	1
HA 31-45	DTVDTVLEKNVTVTH	3	3	HA 286-300	ASMHECNTKCQTPLG	3	7
HA 36-50	VLEKNVTVTHSVNLL	6	4	HA 291-305	CNTKCQTPLGAINSS	8	5
HA 41-55	VTVTHSVNLLLED SHN	5	2	HA 296-310	QTPLGAINSSLPYQN	6	1
HA 46-60	SVNLLLED SHNGKLCR	1	1	HA 301-315	AINSSLPYQNIHPVT	0	2
HA 51-65	EDSHNGKLCRLKGIA	3	5	HA 306-320	LPYQNIHPVTIGCEP	0	2
HA 56-70	GKLCRLKGIAPLQLG	2	1	HA 311-325	IHPVTIGCEPKYVRS	0	0
HA 61-75	LKGIAPLQLGKCNIA	1	1	HA 316-330	IGCEPKYVRS AKLRM	0	0
HA 66-80	PLQLGKCNIA GWLLG	0	0	HA 321-335	KYVRS AKLRMVTGLR	1	0
HA 71-85	KCNIA GWLLGNPECD	2	2	HA 326-340	AKLRMVTGLRNTPSI	2	0
HA 76-90	GWLLGNPECD PLLPV	13	6	HA 331-345	VTGLRNTPSIQSRGL	4	1
HA 81-95	NPECD PLLPVRSWSY	4	1	HA 336-350	NTPSIQSRGLFGAIA	8	3
HA 86-100	PLLPVRSWSYIVETP	6	3	HA 341-355	QSRGLFGAIA GFIEG	2	2
HA 91-105	RSWSYIVETP NSENG	2	4	HA 346-360	FGAIA GFIEGGWTGM	4	5
HA 96-110	IVETP NSENGICYPG	10	2	HA 351-365	GFIEGGWTGMIDGWY	3	1
HA 101-115	NSENGICYPGDFIDY	7	1	HA 356-370	GWTGMIDGWYGYHHQ	4	5
HA 106-120	ICYPGDFIDYEELRE	3	3	HA 361-375	IDGWYGYHHQNEQGS	2	4
HA 111-125	DFIDYEELREQLSSV	7	5	HA 366-380	GYHHQNEQGS GYAAD	1	7
HA 116-130	EELREQLSSVSSFER	1	4	HA 371-385	NEQGS GYAADQKSTQ	3	6
HA 121-135	QLSSVSSFERFEIFP	2	6	HA 376-390	GYAADQKSTQNAING	2	3
HA 126-140	SSFERFEIFPKESSW	3	7	HA 381-395	QKSTQNAINGITNKV	1	1
HA 131-145	FEIFPKESSWPNHNT	4	1	HA 386-400	NAINGITNKVNTVIE	3	1
HA 136-150	KESSWPNHNTNGVTA	5	2	HA 391-405	ITNKVNTVIEKMNIQ	8	2
HA 141-155	PNHNTNGVTAACSHE	3	4	HA 396-410	NTVIEKMNIQFTAVG	3	2
HA 146-160	NGVTAACSHEGKSSF	2	1	HA 401-415	KMNIQFTAVGKEFNK	1	1
HA 151-165	ACSHEGKSSFYRNLL	6	2	HA 406-420	FTAVGKEFNKLEKRM	2	2
HA 156-170	GKSSFYRNLLWLTEK	6	3	HA 411-425	KEFNKLEKR MENLNK	1	1
HA 161-175	YRNLLWLTEKEGSYP	4	5	HA 416-430	LEKR MENLNKKVDDG	0	2
HA 166-180	WLTEKEGSYPKLKNS	3	4	HA 421-435	ENLNKKVDDGFLDIW	0	1
HA 171-185	EGSYPKLKNSYVNKK	6	1	HA 426-440	KVDDGFLDIWTYNAE	2	5
HA 176-190	KLKNSYVNKKGKEVL	4	0	HA 431-445	FLDIWTYNAELLVLL	2	3
HA 181-195	YVNKKGKEVLVLWGI	1	0	HA 436-450	TYNAELLVLL ENERT	1	0
HA 186-200	GKEVLVLWGIHPPN	1	1	HA 441-455	LLVLL ENERTLDFHD	2	0
HA 191-205	VLWGIHPPNSKEQQ	1	1	HA 446-460	ENERTLDFHDSNVKN	2	0
HA 196-210	HPPNSKEQQNIYQN	2	2	HA 451-465	LDFHDSNVKNLYEKV	3	3
HA 201-215	SKEQQNIYQENAYV	2	3	HA 456-470	SNVKNLYEKVKSQ LK	8	4
HA 206-220	NIYQENAYVSVVTS	6	4	HA 461-475	LYEKVKSQ LKNNAKE	1	2
HA 211-225	ENAYVSVVTSNYNRR	3	5	HA 466-480	IGNGCFEFYHKCDNE	4	1
HA 216-230	SVVTSNYNRRFTPEI	5	2	HA 471-485	FEFYHKCDNECMESV	2	3
HA 221-235	NYNRRFTPEIAERP K	8	1	HA 476-490	KCDNECMESVRNGTY	3	1
HA 226-240	FTPEIAERP KVRDQA	1	5	HA 481-495	CMESVRNGTYDYPKY	3	3
HA 231-245	AERP KVRDQAGRMNY	2	1	HA 486-500	RNGTYDYPKYSEESK	2	1
HA 236-250	VRDQAGRMNYWTLL	4	3	HA 491-505	DYPKYSEESKLNREK	1	3
HA 241-255	GRMNYWTLLKPGD T	0	0	HA 496-510	SEESKLNREKVDGVK	1	1
HA 246-260	YWTLLKPGDTIIFEA	1	0	HA 501-515	LNREKVDGVKLESMG	4	2
HA 251-265	KPGDTIIFEANGNLI	0	0	HA 506-520	VDGVKLESMGIYQIL	0	1
				HA 511-525	LESMGIYQILAIYST	0	0

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HA 516-530	IYQILAIYSTVASSL	2 1
HA 521-535	AIYSTVASSLVLLVS	2 4
HA 526-540	VASSLVLLVSLGAIS	0 0
HA 531-545	VLLVSLGAISFWMCS	0 0
HA 536-550	LGAISFWMCSNGSLQ	1 0
HA 541-554	FWMCSNGSLQCRIC	2 1
HA 546-555	NGSLQCRICI	0 3
NA 1-15	MNPNQKITTIGSICL	0 4
NA 6-20	KITTIGSICLVVGLI	0 0
NA 11-25	GSICLVVGLISLILQ	2 1
NA 16-30	VVGLISLILQIGNII	1 2
NA 21-35	SLILQIGNIISIWIS	8 4
NA 26-40	IGNIISIWISHSIQT	1 3
NA 31-45	SIWISHSIQTGSQNH	0 2
NA 36-50	HSIQTGSQNHTGICN	3 1
NA 41-55	GSQNHTGICNQNIIT	0 4
NA 46-60	TGICNQNIITYKNST	4 3
NA 51-65	QNIITYKNSTWVKDT	2 5
NA 56-70	YKNSTWVKDTTSSVIL	4 4
NA 61-75	WVKDTTSSVILTGNS	3 1
NA 66-80	TSVILTGNSSLCPIR	8 3
NA 71-85	TGNSSLCPIRGWAIY	2 4
NA 76-90	LCPIRGWAIYSKDNS	6 1
NA 81-95	GWAIYSKDNSIRIGS	4 3
NA 86-100	IRIGSKGDVFVIREP	7 0
NA 91-105	KGDVFVIREPFISCS	2 0
NA 96-110	VIREPFISCSHLECR	3 0
NA 101-115	FISCSHLECRFFLT	4 3
NA 106-120	HLECRFFLTQGALL	2 1
NA 111-125	TFFLTQGALLNDKHS	0 4
NA 116-130	QGALLNDKHSNGTVK	1 1
NA 121-135	NDKHSNGTVKDRSPY	2 0
NA 126-140	NGTVKDRSPYRALMS	0 0
NA 131-145	DRSPYRALMSPVGE	5 2
NA 136-150	RALMSPVGEAPSPY	6 2
NA 141-155	CPVGEAPSPYNSRFE	5 1
NA 146-160	APSPYNSRFESVAWS	2 4
NA 151-165	NSRFESVAWSASACH	2 3
NA 156-170	SVAWSASACHDGMGW	3 2
NA 161-175	ASACHDGMGWLTIGI	9 5
NA 166-180	DGMGWLTIGISGPDN	5 4
NA 171-185	LTIGISGPDNGAVAV	2 1
NA 176-190	SGPDNGAVAVLKYNG	2 2
NA 181-195	GAVAVLKYNGIITET	2 3
NA 186-200	LKYNGIITETIKSWR	2 5
NA 191-205	IITETIKSWRKKILR	3 5
NA 196-210	IKSWRKKILRTQESE	1 3
NA 201-215	KKILRTQESECACVN	2 3
NA 206-220	TQESECACVNGSCFT	4 4
NA 211-225	CACVNGSCFTIMTDG	2 2
NA 216-230	GSCFTIMTDGSPDGL	2 3

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NA 221-235	IMTDGSPDGLASYKI	1 6
NA 226-240	PSDGLASYKIFKIEK	3 2
NA 231-245	ASYKIFKIEKGKVTK	0 0
NA 236-250	FKIEKGKVTKSIELN	2 0
NA 241-255	GKVTKSIELNAPNSH	2 1
NA 246-260	SIELNAPNSHYEES	1 2
NA 251-265	APNSHYEESCYPDT	1 5
NA 256-270	YEEESCYPDTGKVMC	5 0
NA 261-275	CYPDTGKVMCVCARDN	3 1
NA 266-280	GKVMCVCARDNWHGSN	1 2
NA 271-285	VCRDNWHGSNRPWVS	6 5
NA 276-290	WHGSNRPWVSFDQNL	4 3
NA 281-295	RPWVSFDQNLDYQIG	5 4
NA 286-300	FDQNLDYQIGYICSG	2 3
NA 291-305	DYQIGYICSGVFGDN	8 2
NA 296-310	YICSGVFGDNPRPED	0 2
NA 301-315	VFGDNPRPEDGTGSC	0 5
NA 306-320	PRPEDGTGSCGPVYV	0 3
NA 311-325	GTGSCGPVYVDGANG	0 3
NA 316-330	GPVYVDGANGVKGFS	1 1
NA 321-335	DGANGVKGFSYRYGN	2 2
NA 326-340	VKGFSYRYGNVWIG	5 3
NA 331-345	YRYGNVWIGRTKSH	1 4
NA 336-350	GVWIGRTKSHSRHG	3 2
NA 341-355	RTKSHSRHGFEMIW	4 2
NA 346-360	SSRHGFEMIWDPNGW	2 1
NA 351-365	FEMIWDPNGWTETDS	2 0
NA 356-370	DPNGWTETDSKFSVR	0 0
NA 361-375	TETDSKFSVRQDVVA	0 3
NA 366-380	KFSVRQDVVAMTDWS	0 2
NA 371-385	QDVVAMTDWSGYSGS	1 2
NA 376-390	MTDWSGYSGSFVQHP	0 1
NA 381-395	GYSGSFVQHPPELTGL	0 2
NA 386-400	FVQHPPELTGLDCMRP	4 1
NA 391-405	ELTGLDCMRPCFWVE	4 2
NA 396-410	DCMRPCFWVELIRGR	3 3
NA 401-415	CFWVELIRGRPKEKT	2 4
NA 406-420	LIRGRPKEKTIWTS	9 7
NA 411-425	PKEKT IWTSASSIS	3 2
NA 416-430	IWTSASSISFCGVN	3 1
NA 421-435	ASSISFCGVNSDSTD	0 0
NA 426-440	FCGVNSDSTDWSWPD	0 1
NA 431-444	SDTDWSWPDGAELP	0 2
NA 436-450	WSWPDGAELPFISDK	0 0
NA 441-450	GAELEPFISDK	1 0

^a Number of Elislots from 10⁵ spleen cells, determined in two independent experiments.

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