

Supporting Information

An Immunoinformatics Approach to Design a Potent Multi-Epitope Vaccine Against Asia-1 Genotype of Crimean-Congo Haemorrhagic Fever Virus Using the Structural Glycoproteins as a Target

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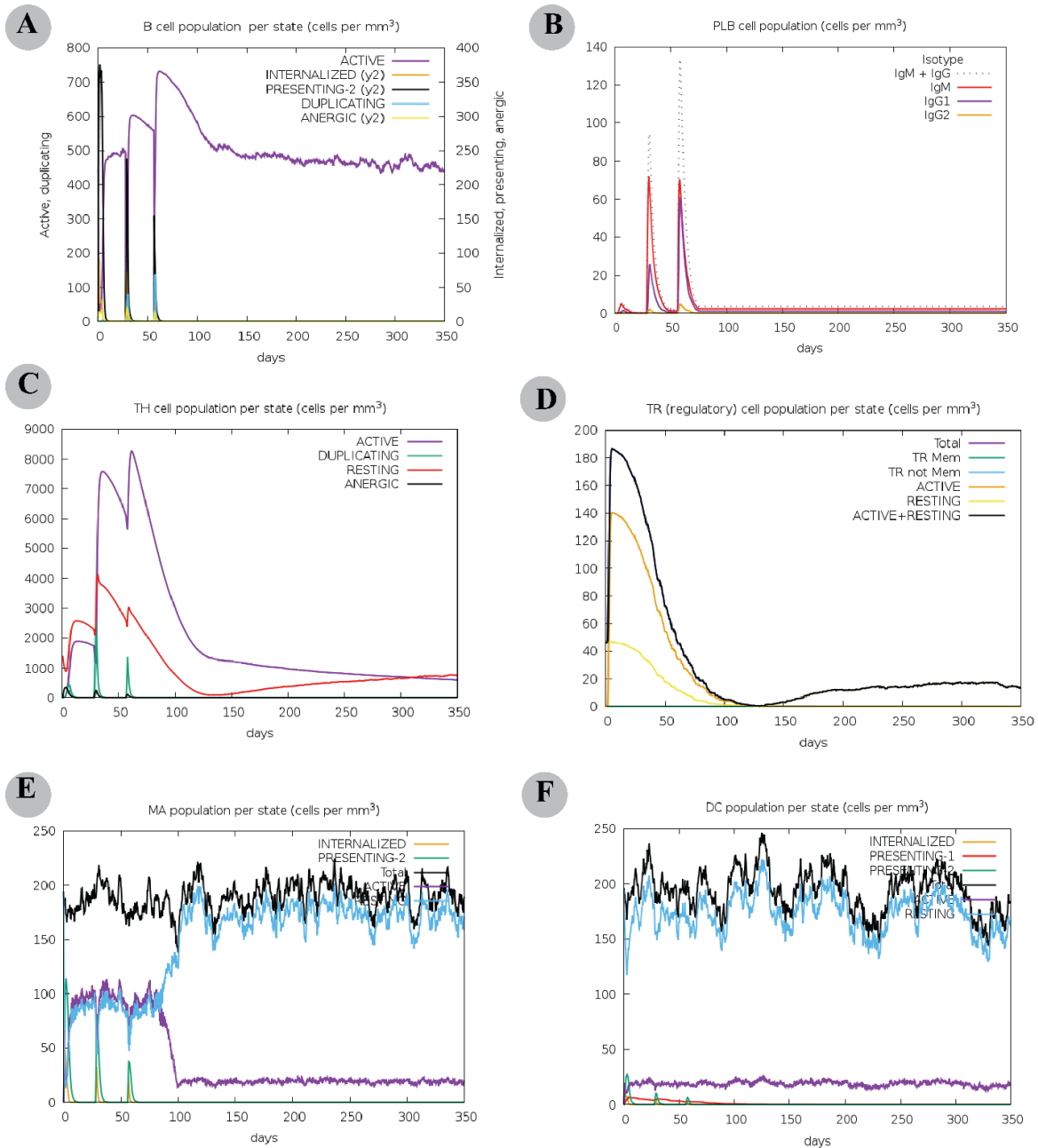


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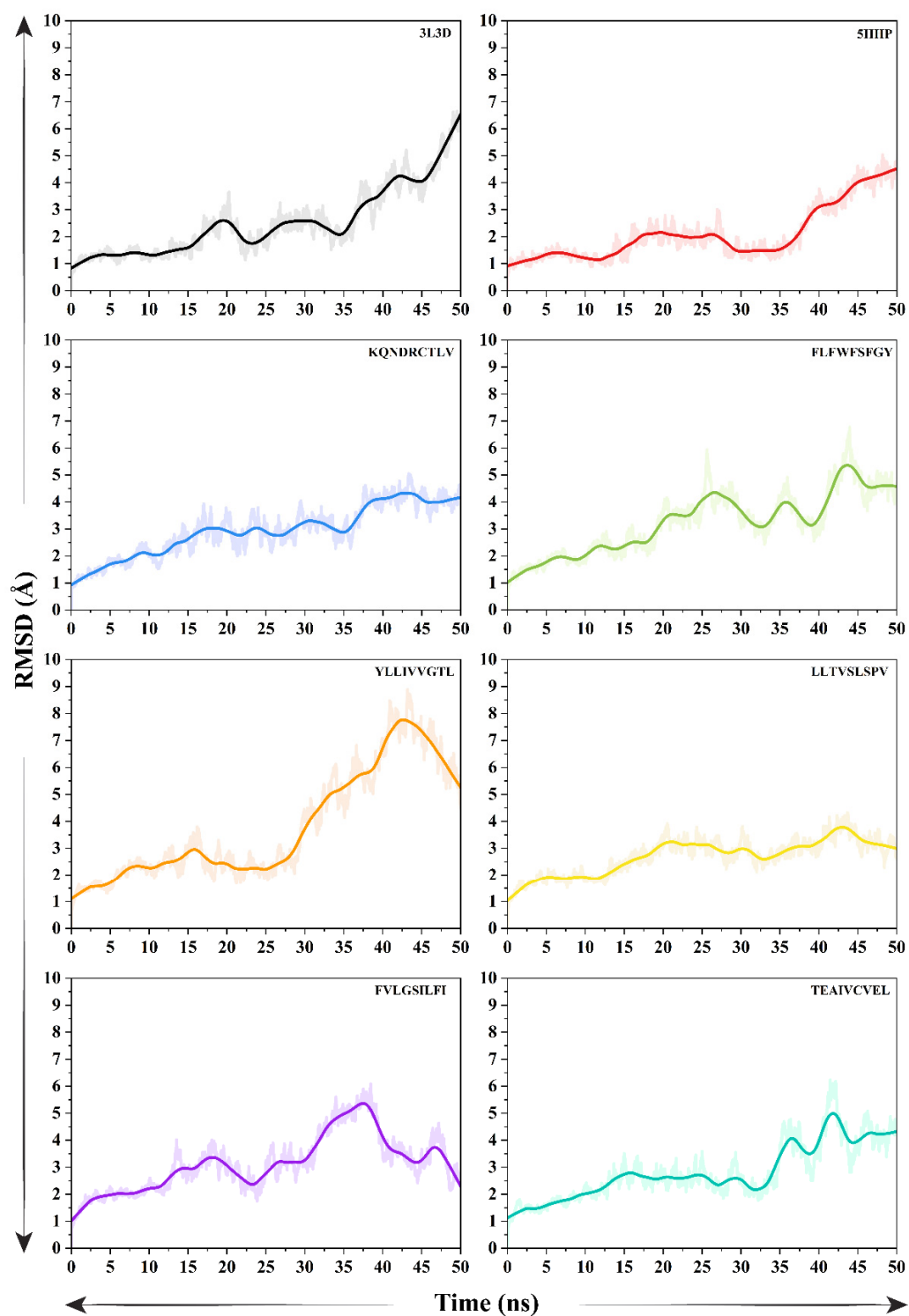


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Table S1. Population coverage calculation result

	Class I		
population/area	coverage ^a	average hit ^b	pc90 ^c
East Asia	35.99%	1.43	0.16
Northeast Asia	30.33%	1.5	0.14
Pakistan	49.85%	1.56	0.71
South Asia	31.98%	1.44	0.15
Northeast Asia	29.51%	1.44	0.14
Southeast Asia	45.54%	2.28	0.18
World	60.52%	3.07	0.25
^a projected population coverage			
^b average number of epitope hits / HLA combinations recognized by the population			
^c minimum number of epitope hits / HLA combinations recognized by 90% of the population			

Table S2. GalaxyRefine output for the submitted initial model of vaccine constructs predicted by the I-TASSER server. (Letter in bold indicates the final model selected for further analysis).

Model	GDT-HA	RMSD	MolProbity	Clash score	Poor rotamers	Rama favored
Initial	1.0000	0.000	3.227	9.7	13.2	66.8
MODEL 1	0.9275	0.469	2.423	20.6	0.8	87.3
MODEL 2	0.9360	0.471	2.494	25.4	0.8	87.9
MODEL 3	0.9267	0.463	2.501	24.5	0.8	87.0
MODEL 4	0.9174	0.490	2.498	24.7	0.8	87.3
MODEL 5	0.9282	0.471	2.438	20.4	0.8	86.3

Table S3. Docking score (DS) and RMSD of the selected peptides with the HLA-B*4402 and HLA-A*0201 alleles.

Peptide	Allele	Docking Score (Kcal/mol)	RMSD (Å)
EEAGRAFSF (3L3D)	HLA-B*4402	-108.89	0.416
GILEFVFTL (5HHP)	HLA-A*0201	-40.53	0.900
KQNDRCTLV	HLA-A*0201	-60.21	0.825
FLFWFSFGY	HLA-A*0201	-56.85	1.140
YLLIVVGTL	HLA-A*0201	-37.35	0.570
LLTVSLSPV	HLA-A*0201	-53.81	0.767
FVLGSILFI	HLA-A*0201	-55.69	0.457
TEAIVCVEL	HLA-B*4402	-37.83	0.819

Table S4. Molecular docking calculations and interactions details between selected CTL epitopes and respective HLA class I allele.

Peptide	Receptor Atoms	Receptor Residues	Receptor residues No	Peptide Atoms	Peptide Resides	Peptide residue No	Distance (Å)
3L3D	OH	TYR	7	N	GLU	1	3.1
	OH	TYR	9	OE1	GLU	2	2.55
	NZ	LYS	45	OE2	GLU	2	2.73
	NH2	ARG	62	OE1	GLU	1	3.02
	OE2	GLU	63	N	GLU	2	2.91
	OD1	ASN	70	N	ALA	6	3
	OD1	ASN	77	N	PHE	9	2.74
	OH	TYR	84	O	PHE	9	2.66
	OH	TYR	99	OE1	GLU	2	2.51
	OH	TYR	99	N	ALA	3	3.05
	OG1	THR	143	O	PHE	9	2.67
	NZ	LYS	146	OXT	PHE	9	2.83
	NE1	TRP	147	O	SER	8	2.83
	OH	TYR	159	O	GLU	1	2.6
	OG	SER	167	N	GLU	1	3.03
	NH2	ARG	170	OE2	GLU	1	2.79
	OH	TYR	171	N	GLU	1	2.7
Receptor Non-Bonded Contacts: MET5, TYR7, TYR9, THR24, LYS45, TYR59, ARG62, GLU63, ILE66, SER67, ASN70, THR73, TYR74, GLU76, ASN77, THR80, TYR84, ILE95, ARG97, TYR99, ASP116, TYR123, THR143, LYS146, TRP147, VAL152, GLN155, ASP156, TYR159, LEU163, SER167, ARG170, and TYR171.				Peptide Non-Bonded Contacts: GLU1, GLU2, GLY4, ALA3, ALA6, PHE7, SER8, and PHE9.			
5HHP	OH	TYR	7	N	GLY	1	2.83
	OE1	GLU	63	N	ILE	2	3.09
	NH1	ARG	65	OE2	GLU	4	2.53
	NZ	LYS	66	O	ILE	2	2.87
	OD1	ASP	77	N	LEU	9	2.93
	OH	TYR	99	N	LEU	3	2.98
	OG1	THR	143	O	LEU	9	2.69
	NZ	LYS	146	O	THR	8	3.07
	NZ	LYS	146	OG1	THR	8	3.15
	NE1	TRP	147	O	THR	8	2.99
	OH	TYR	159	O	GLY	1	2.62
	OH	TYR	171	N	GLY	1	2.71
Receptor Non-Bonded Contacts: TYR7, GLU63, ARG65, LYS66, VAL67, HIS70, THR73, ASP77, THR80, LEU81, TYR84, ARG97, TYR99, HIS114, TYR116, THR143, LYS146, TRP147, VAL152, LEU156, TYR159, TRP167, and TYR171.				Peptide Non-Bonded Contacts: ILE 2, GLY1, GLU4, LEU3, VAL6, PHE7, LEU9, and THR8			
KQNDRCTLV	OE2	GLU	63	NE2	GLN	2	2.92
	NZ	LYS	66	O	ASP	4	2.93
	NE2	HIS	70	OD2	ASP	4	3.07
	NH2	ARG	97	O	VAL	9	2.81
	OH	TYR	159	O	ASN	3	2.84
	NE1	TRP	167	O	LYS	1	2.67
Receptor Non-Bonded Contacts: TYR59, GLU63, LYS66, HIS70, THR73, HIS74, ASP77, ARG97, HIS114, TYR116, TYR123, THR143, TRP147, LEU156, TYR159, TRP167, and ARG170.				Peptide Non-Bonded Contacts: LYS1, GLN2, ASP4, ASN3, LEU8, VAL9, THR7, CYS6, and ARG5.			
FLFWFSFGY	OG1	THR	73	OH	TYR	9	2.79
	OG1	THR	73	OH	TYR	9	2.79
	OD1	ASP	77	N	TYR	9	2.86
	NE1	TRP	147	OG	SER	6	2.95

Receptor Non-Bonded Contacts: MET5, TYR7, PHE33, MET45, TYR59, GLU63, LYS66, VAL67, THR73, HIS74, ASP77, ARG97, TYR99, GLY100, TYR116, TYR123, ILE124, THR143, TRP147, VAL152, GLN155, LEU156, TYR159, CYS164, and TRP167.				Peptide Non-Bonded Contacts: LEU2 PHE1, PHE3, PHE7, TYR9, GLY8, TRP4, SER6, and PHE5.			
YLLIVVGTI	OG1	THR	73	OH	TYR	9	2.79
	OG1	THR	73	OH	TYR	9	2.79
	OD1	ASP	77	N	TYR	9	2.86
	NE1	TRP	147	OG	SER	6	2.95
Receptor Non-Bonded Contacts: MET5, TYR7, PHE33, MET45, TYR59, GLU63, LYS66, VAL67, THR73, HIS74, ASP77, ARG97, TYR99, GLY100, TYR116, TYR123, ILE124, THR143, TRP147, VAL152, GLN155, LEU156, TYR159, CYS164, and TRP167.				Peptide Non-Bonded Contacts: LEU2, PHE1, PHE3, PHE7, TYR9, GLY8, TRP4, SER6, and PHE5.			
LLTVSLSPV	OE2	GLU	63	N	LEU	1	2.76
	NE2	HIS	70	O	VAL	4	3.33
	OG1	THR	80	O	PRO	8	2.88
	OG1	THR	143	OXT	VAL	9	2.83
	NE1	TRP	147	OG	SER	7	2.75
Receptor Non-Bonded Contacts: MET5, ARG6, TYR7, GLY26, PHE33, VAL34, TYR59, GLU63, LYS66, HIS70, THR73, VAL76, ASP77, THR80, TYR84, ARG97, TYR99, GLY100, HIS114, TYR123, THR143, LYS146, TRP147, VAL152, GLN155, LEU156, TYR159, CYS164, and TYR171.				Peptide Non-Bonded Contacts: LEU2, LEU1, VAL4, THR3, LEU6, PRO8, VAL9 SER7, and SER5.			
FVLGSILFI	NZ	LYS	66	O	GLY	4	2.85
	NE2	HIS	70	O	LEU	3	3.09
	NE1	TRP	147	O	LEU	7	2.8
Receptor Non-Bonded Contacts: MET5, TYR7, LYS66, HIS70, THR73, HIS74, ASP77, THR80, TYR84, ARG97, TYR99, HIS114, THR143, LYS146, TRP147, VAL152, LEU156, TYR159, THR163, CYS164, and TRP167.				Peptide Non-Bonded Contacts: PHE1, LEU3, GLY4, PHE8, ILE9, VAL2, ILE6, and LEU7.			
TEAIVCVEL	OE1	GLU	63	N	THR	1	2.75
	OE1	GLU	63	OG1	THR	1	2.74
	NE1	TRP	147	O	GLU	8	2.85
	OG	SER	167	O	GLU	2	2.98
	OH	TYR	171	N	GLU	2	2.69
	OH	TYR	171	O	GLU	2	2.72
Receptor Non-Bonded Contacts: TYR7, VAL34, ILE52, GLU55, TYR59, TRP60, GLU63, ILE66, ASN70, THR73, TYR74, ASN77, THR80, TYR99, THR143, LYS146, TRP147, VAL152, TYR159, LEU163, CYS164, SER167, and TYR171.				Peptide Non-Bonded Contacts: ALA3, THR1, GLU2, VAL5, GLU8, LEU9, CYS6 VAL7, and ILE4.			

Table S5. Molecular docking between selected CTL peptides and mouse MHC-I molecules

PDB ID: 1YN6 (classical) H2-Db								
Peptide	Docking Score	RMS D	Bond	Protein Residues	Peptide Residues	Energy (kcal/mol)	Distance (Å)	Bond-Frequency
KQNDRCT LV	-40.18	0.92	IH	Glu9	Arg5	-15.18	3.06	4
			H	Lys66	Asn3	-4.20	2.82	1
			H	Gln70	Arg5	-1.00	3.04	1
			H	Asn80	Val9	-3.90	2.94	1
			IH	Lys146	Val9	-32.39	2.76	4
			H	Trp147	Val9	-6.50	2.92	1
			H	His155	Cys6	-3.50	2.77	1
			H	Tyr156	Leu8	-1.10	3.08	1
			H	Gly162	Lys1	-5.30	2.73	1
			H	Glu163	Asn3	-2.70	2.86	1
			IH	Glu166	Lys1	-48.82	2.76	6
			H	Glu166	Asn3	-8.00	2.95	1

FLFWFSFG Y	-40.37	1.86	H	Gln65	Phe1	-12.50	3.01	2
			H	Asn80	Tyr9	-4.90	2.74	1
			H	Tyr84	Tyr9	-3.40	3.01	2
			IH	Lys146	Tyr9	-11.76	3.12	3
			H	Trp147	Tyr9	-7.20	2.82	1
			H	Ser150	Ser6	-1.50	2.84	1
			H	His155	Phe3	-0.80	2.88	1
YLLIVVGT L	-51.49	0.68	H	Gln70	Val6	-3.10	2.89	2
			H	Trp73	Thr8	-0.70	2.94	1
			H	Gln97	Val6	-3.60	2.93	1
			IH	Lys146	Leu9	-37.37	2.68	4
			H	Trp147	Thr8	-0.70	2.93	1
			H	His155	Val5	-6.50	2.80	1
			IH	Glu163	Tyr1	-16.56	2.74	2
IH	Glu166	Tyr1	-32.24	2.76	4			
LLTVSLSP V	-36.38	1.75	H	Gln65	Thr3	-2.60	2.92	2
			H	Trp73	Ser7	-0.80	2.80	1
			H	Asn80	Val9	-2.60	2.94	1
			H	Tyr84	Val9	-4.30	2.56	1
			IH	Lys146	Val9	-21.52	2.84	3
			H	Trp147	Pro8	-0.90	2.79	1
			H	His155	Leu6	-5.80	2.86	1
FVLGSILFI	-35.10	1.92	H	Gly69	Leu3	-0.60	3.41	1
			H	Asn80	Ile9	-3.80	2.79	1
			H	Tyr84	Ile9	-4.20	2.67	1
			IH	Lys146	Ile9	-21.00	2.99	3
			H	His155	Phe1	-6.70	3.09	1
			H	Ala158	Phe1	-3.60	2.78	1
TEAIVCVE L	-39.72	2.56	H	Gln65	Thr1	-2.50	2.61	1
			H	Trp73	Val7	-1.90	2.89	1
			H	Ser77	Leu9	-1.10	3.28	1
			H	Asn80	Glu8	-5.90	2.78	1
			H	Asn80	Leu9	-6.80	2.77	1
			H	Tyr84	Leu9	-5.20	2.65	1
			H	Thr143	Leu9	-2.50	2.60	1
			IH	Lys146	Glu8	-26.83	2.86	4
			IH	Lys146	Leu9	-11.47	3.15	3
			H	Trp147	Glu8	-1.90	2.83	1
			H	His155	Val5	-4.90	2.83	1
H	Tyr156	Val7	-0.60	2.85	1			
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TEAIVCVE L	-41.53	1.48	H	Glu24	Gln2	-3.80	2.90	1
			IH	Arg62	Asp4	-15.23	3.07	4
			H	Lys66	Gln2	-8.10	2.78	1
			H	Gly69	Lys1	-8.40	2.83	1
			H	Gln72	Lys1	-6.50	2.70	1
			IH	Glu152	Lys1	-28.28	2.71	4
			H	Thr163	Asp4	-1.70	2.69	1
			IH	Glu166	Arg5	-35.72	2.82	6
			H	Glu166	Thr7	-3.60	2.66	1
			H	Trp167	Asp4	-5.30	2.80	1
			H	Arg169	Leu8	-6.90	2.82	1
			IH	Lys173	Val9	-41.75	2.67	4
TEAIVCVE L	-44.40	1.78	H	Tyr7	Tyr9	-4.80	2.61	1
			H	Arg62	Phe7	-4.40	2.77	1
			IH	Lys66	Tyr9	-24.63	2.70	2

			H	Asn70	Tyr9	-3.20	2.71	1			
			H	Lys146	Phe1	-8.20	2.86	1			
			H	Gln149	Phe1	-9.80	2.80	2			
			H	Arg155	Phe3	-0.80	3.05	1			
			H	Tyr159	Tyr9	-1.70	2.61	1			
TEAIVCVEL	-39.64	1.15	H	Arg62	Val6	-4.20	2.79	1			
			H	Lys66	Ile4	-11.40	2.79	1			
			H	Ser73	Tyr1	-2.40	2.81	1			
			IH	Asp77	Tyr1	-26.87	2.77	3			
			H	Tyr116	Tyr1	-3.10	2.66	1			
			H	Arg155	Leu2	-2.40	2.85	1			
			H	Arg155	Leu3	-2.70	2.76	1			
			H	Glu166	Thr8	-1.40	2.69	1			
			H	Trp167	Gly7	-2.50	2.91	1			
			IH	Arg169	Leu9	-28.73	3.04	6			
			H	Arg170	Leu9	-0.70	3.40	1			
			H	Glu24	Thr3	-1.30	2.71	1			
			H	Arg62	Leu6	-1.30	2.84	1			
			H	Arg62	Ser7	-8.30	2.84	2			
			H	Lys66	Val4	-12.20	2.76	1			
			IH	Asp77	Leu1	-26.31	2.84	4			
			H	Ser99	Thr3	-1.60	2.93	1			
			H	Tyr116	Leu1	-3.30	2.71	1			
			H	Tyr159	Ser5	-2.20	2.76	1			
			H	Trp167	Leu6	-1.70	2.73	1			
			H	Tyr7	Ile9	-4.70	2.61	1			
			I	Arg62	Ile9	-2.58	3.34	1			
			IH	Lys66	Ile9	-15.16	2.81	2			
			H	Ser73	Phe1	-4.50	2.95	1			
			IH	Asp77	Phe1	-18.98	2.81	3			
			H	Arg155	Leu3	-9.50	2.88	2			
			H	Arg155	Ile6	-5.30	2.78	1			
			H	Tyr159	Ile9	-1.60	2.63	1			
			IH	Arg62	Leu9	-32.02	2.97	7			
			IH	Lys66	Leu9	-14.94	2.69	2			
			H	Asn70	Val7	-3.90	2.87	1			
			H	Tyr116	Cys6	-2.30	3.30	1			
			H	His145	Thr1	-1.70	2.89	1			
			H	Lys146	Glu2	-0.60	3.26	1			
			H	Lys146	Ala3	-3.50	2.86	1			
			H	Gln149	Thr1	-16.20	2.83	2			
			H	Glu152	Cys6	-8.70	3.03	2			
			IH	Arg155	Glu8	-35.32	3.00	6			
			H	Trp167	Leu9	-2.70	2.80	1			
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						IH	Glu62	Lys1	-29.07	2.77	4
						H	Glu62	Gln2	-7.40	2.79	1
H	Asn77	Val9				-5.80	2.95	2			
H	Thr143	Val9				-2.30	2.60	1			
H	Ala150	Arg5				-4.60	2.79	1			
H	Ala158	Asn3				-4.70	3.05	2			
H	Gly162	Lys1				-10.80	2.79	1			
IH	Glu166	Lys1				-16.49	2.62	2			
			H	Ser73	Ser6	-1.50	2.85	1			
			H	Asn77	Phe7	-1.90	2.85	1			
			H	Tyr155	Trp4	-2.30	2.96	1			

			H	Ala158	Phe1	-10.20	2.91	1
			IH	Glu161	Phe1	-28.70	2.81	3
TEAIVCVEL	-48.01	1.01	H	Ala76	Leu9	-0.50	3.54	1
			H	Asn77	Gly7	-0.50	2.99	1
			IH	Arg79	Leu9	-27.06	3.09	6
			H	Thr80	Thr8	-1.50	2.95	1
			H	Arg146	Val6	-7.10	2.76	1
			H	Arg146	Thr8	-5.80	2.94	2
			H	Ala158	Tyr1	-0.50	2.86	1
			A	Glu163	Tyr1	-0.50	3.43	1
			H	Glu166	Tyr1	-5.20	2.62	1
TEAIVCVEL	-36.17	1.02	H	Asn77	Ser5	-2.00	2.72	1
			H	Asn77	Ser7	-2.30	2.86	1
			H	Thr80	Val9	-2.10	2.71	1
			H	Arg146	Ser7	-4.10	2.74	1
			IH	Arg146	Val9	-24.39	2.97	5
			H	Ala158	Leu1	-3.50	2.68	1
TEAIVCVEL	-43.89	0.70	IH	Glu163	Leu1	-18.17	2.58	2
			H	Lys66	Leu3	-9.00	2.80	1
			H	Asn77	Ile9	-4.80	2.75	1
			H	Tyr114	Ile9	-4.20	2.61	1
			H	Gly162	Phe1	-2.90	3.00	1
TEAIVCVEL	-31.13	1.73	IH	Glu166	Phe1	-24.68	2.65	2
			H	Asn77	Leu9	-6.60	2.83	1
			H	Thr80	Leu9	-0.60	2.55	1
			H	Thr143	Glu8	-1.00	2.65	1
			H	Arg146	Val7	-4.50	2.81	1
			IH	Arg146	Leu9	-24.79	2.75	4
			H	Thr152	Cys6	-1.70	3.20	1
			H	Glu161	Thr1	-2.20	2.62	1

Table S6. Atom-atom interactions across TLR2– designed vaccine construct interface obtained using PDBsum server

S. No	TLR2 Atoms	TLR2 Residues	TLR2 residues No	Vaccine Atoms	Vaccine Resides	Vaccine residue No	Distance (Å)-bond type (H=H-bond)
1	OE1	GLN	79	N	ARG	246	3.05-H
2	OG1	THR	127	OG1	THR	167	3.03-H
3	NZ	LYS	150	OE2	GLU	58	2.73-H
4	NE2	GLN	152	OE1	GLU	131	3.11-H
5	OD1	ASN	248	OG1	THR	126	3.14-H
6	ND2	ASN	248	O	ALA	125	2.88-H
7	NZ	LYS	252	O	GLU	68	2.81-H
8	NZ	LYS	308	O	ALA	70	2.94-H
9	O	LYS	551	NZ	LYS	318	2.78-H
10	OG	SER	553	N	VAL	321	3.06-H
11	OG	SER	553	O	VAL	321	3.2-H
12	O	GLN	554	OG1	THR	294	2.95-H
13	OE1	GLN	554	N	TRP	319	3.02-H
14	NE2	GLN	554	O	CYS	296	2.84-H
15	NE2	GLN	557	O	VAL	292	2.81-H
16	NH1	ARG	570	O	TYR	323	2.97-H
17	NH2	ARG	570	O	TYR	323	2.82-H
18	NH2	ARG	570	O	ILE	324	3.18-H

19	NZ	LYS	150	OE1	GLU	58	2.73-salt bridge
20	NZ	LYS	252	OE2	GLU	68	3.97-salt bridge
TLR2 Non-Bonded Contacts: ARG32, ASN33, ILE35, SER56, GLN79, ALA80, GLU103, HIS104, SER125, THR127, PHE128, LYS150, GLN152, ASN248, LEU250, LYS252, LYS308, LYS527, LYS551, SER553, GLN554, GLN557, GLY558, SER559, and ARG570				Vaccine Non-Bonded Contacts: HIS220, CYS245, MET247, ARG246, SER169, THR167, SER248, GLY249, PRO250, GLU58, GLU131, THR126, ALA125, GLU68, ALA70, GLY293, LYS318, VAL321, THR294, TRP319, CYS296, THR297, VAL292, TYR323, and ILE324			

Table S7. Atom-atom interactions across TLR3– designed vaccine construct interface obtained using PDBsum server

S. No	TLR3 Atoms	TLR3 Residues	TLR3 residues No	Vaccine Atoms	Vaccine Resides	Vaccine residue No	Distance (Å)
1	NZ	LYS	27	OE2	GLU	33	2.7-H
2	NE2	HIS	32	O	ALA	38	2.89-H
3	OG1	THR	78	O	GLY	310	2.72-H
4	OD2	ASP	81	OG	SER	152	2.65-H
5	NZ	LYS	102	O	PRO	311	2.75-H
6	NZ	LYS	102	O	GLY	312	2.75-H
7	ND2	ASN	105	O	GLY	151	3.05-H
8	OE1	GLN	107	NZ	LYS	153	2.92-H
9	NE2	GLN	107	O	GLY	151	2.77-H
10	OE1	GLU	175	NZ	LYS	145	2.66-H
11	NZ	LYS	200	O	GLY	199	2.74-H
12	OD1	ASN	230	NZ	LYS	94	2.87-H
13	NH1	ARG	251	OD2	ASP	202	2.77-H
14	NH2	ARG	251	OD2	ASP	202	2.73-H
15	ND2	ASN	252	OG	SER	201	2.9-H
16	OH	TYR	283	O	ASP	98	2.78-H
17	OH	TYR	307	N	ALA	70	2.97-H
18	OH	TYR	326	OE1	GLN	209	2.8-H
19	NZ	LYS	330	O	GLU	68	2.69-H
20	NZ	LYS	330	OE1	GLU	68	2.73-H
21	NH1	ARG	331	O	ALA	70	2.75-H
22	NH1	ARG	331	O	GLY	124	2.75-H
23	NH2	ARG	331	O	GLY	124	2.99-H
24	NE2	HIS	359	NH1	ARG	212	3.09-H
25	NZ	LYS	416	OE1	GLU	68	2.86-H
26	NZ	LYS	416	OE2	GLU	68	2.69-H
27	OE1	GLU	434	OG1	THR	213	2.76-H
28	OE2	GLU	434	N	GLY	251	2.81-H
29	OE1	GLU	533	OG	SER	169	2.58-H
30	ND1	HIS	565	OG	SER	169	3-H
31	NZ	LYS	589	O	SER	169	2.89-H
32	NZ	LYS	589	O	LEU	170	2.83-H
33	NZ	LYS	589	OG	SER	171	2.88-H
34	O	SER	611	OG	SER	171	2.71-H
35	NZ	LYS	613	O	SER	171	2.96-H
36	OG1	THR	638	O	PHE	13	2.84-H
37	NZ	LYS	27	OE1	GLU	33	2.7--salt bridge
38	NZ	LYS	102	OD1	ASP	313	2.76-salt bridge
39	NE2	HIS	156	OE2	GLU	92	2.88-salt bridge

40	OE1	GLU	175	NZ	LYS	145	2.66-salt bridge
41	NH2	ARG	251	OD1	ASP	202	2.73-salt bridge
42	NZ	LYS	330	OE2	GLU	68	2.73-salt bridge
43	NH1	ARG	331	OD1	ASP	72	3.84-salt bridge
44	NZ	LYS	416	OE1	GLU	68	2.69-salt bridge
45	NE2	HIS	665	OE1	GLU	15	2.7-salt bridge
TLR3 Non-Bonded Contacts: LYS27, VAL30, SER31, HIS32, VAL34, THR54, VAL55, ASN57, THR59, THR78, SER79, ASP81, LYS102, ASN105, GLN107, GLU127, HIS156, GLN174, GLU175, ASN180, LYS200, ASN230, ARG251, ASN252, TYR283, TYR302, TYR307, TYR326, LYS330, ARG331, GLU358, HIS359, TYR383, ILE411, LYS416, GLU434, PHE459, GLN483, GLU533, HIS565, ILE566, GLU587, LYS589, ILE590, SER611, LYS613, LEU637, THR638, HIS665, THR666, and ASN667				Vaccine Non-Bonded Contacts: GLU33, VAL34, THR35, ALA38, PRO309, VAL42, GLY310, PRO311, SER152, ALA148, GLY151, GLY312, ASP313, LYS153, ALA147, LYS91, GLU92, GLY199, GLY198, LYS145, LEU197, LYS94, ASP95, ASP202, SER201, LYS74, ASP98, ALA70, ALA100, SER206, ALA69, GLN209, GLU68, ASP72, GLY124, GLY71, LEU210, ARG212, THR213, GLY251, GLY249, PRO250, SER248, MET247, SER169, GLU58, SER171, LEU170, LYS14, PHE13, ASP11, and GLU15			

Table S8. Atom-atom interactions across TLR4–designed vaccine construct interface obtained using PDBsum server

S. No	TLR4 Atoms	TLR4 Residues	TLR4 residues No	Vaccine Atoms	Vaccine Resides	Vaccine residue No	Distance (Å)
1	O	VAL	32	OG1	THR	126	2.9-H
2	OE1	GLU	42	NE	ARG	212	2.77-H
3	OD2	ASP	84	NE2	GLN	209	2.83-H
4	NE	ARG	87	O	LEU	210	2.73-H
5	O	HIS	159	SG	CYS	289	3.29-H
6	NH1	ARG	234	O	GLY	199	2.79-H
7	NH1	ARG	234	OD2	ASP	202	2.72-H
8	NH2	ARG	234	O	GLY	199	2.96-H
9	NH2	ARG	264	O	VAL	193	2.89-H
10	O	ASN	265	N	GLY	295	3.01-H
11	ND2	ASN	265	OD2	ASP	203	2.84-H
12	OE1	GLU	266	N	THR	294	2.78-H
13	OE1	GLU	270	NZ	LYS	318	2.65-H
14	NH1	ARG	289	O	GLY	198	2.79-H
15	OH	TYR	296	O	TYR	314	2.69-H
16	OG	SER	317	OE1	GLU	196	2.5-H
17	OG1	THR	319	O	ASP	313	2.91-H
18	NE	ARG	322	OD2	ASP	313	2.8-H
19	NH2	ARG	322	OD2	ASP	313	2.74-H
20	NZ	LYS	341	O	PRO	311	2.78-H
21	NZ	LYS	341	O	GLY	312	2.85-H
22	OD2	ASP	502	N	LEU	90	3-H
23	NE2	GLN	505	O	SER	86	2.8-H
24	ND2	ASN	526	O	GLY	87	2.84-H
25	O	LEU	549	NZ	LYS	79	2.91-H
26	ND2	ASN	575	OE1	GLU	83	2.69-H
27	NE2	GLN	578	OE2	GLU	115	2.81-H
28	OE2	GLU	603	NZ	LYS	119	2.69-H
29	OE2	GLU	605	NZ	LYS	119	2.7-H
30	NE	ARG	606	OE2	GLU	115	2.81-H
31	NH1	ARG	606	O	GLU	83	3.11-H
32	NH2	ARG	606	O	GLU	83	2.84-H

33	OE2	GLU	42	NH1	ARG	212	2.75-salt bridge
34	NH1	ARG	234	OD1	ASP	202	2.72-salt bridge
35	OE1	GLU	270	NZ	LYS	318	2.65-salt bridge
36	NH2	ARG	322	OD2	ASP	313	2.74-salt bridge
37	OE2	GLU	603	NZ	LYS	119	2.69-salt bridge
38	OE1	GLU	605	NZ	LYS	119	2.7-salt bridge
39	NE	ARG	606	OE1	GLU	115	2.81-salt bridge
TLR4 Non-Bonded Contacts: VAL32, MET41, GLU42, PHE63, ASP84, SER86, ARG87, THR110, GLU135, HIS159, LEU161, LYS186, LEU212, ARG234, PHE263, ARG264, ASN265, GLU266, GLY267, GLU270, ARG289, TYR292, ASP294, TYR296, VAL316, SER317, THR319, GLU321, ARG322, ASN339, LYS341, SER360, LYS362, ASN383, PHE408, LYS477, PHE500, ASP502, SER504, GLN505, ASN526, SER528, HIS529, VAL548, LEU549, ASP550, SER552, LEU553, PHE573, ASN575, THR577, GLN578, VAL602, GLU603, GLU605, and ARG606				Vaccine Non-Bonded Contacts: THR126, ARG212, THR213, GLN209, LEU210, PHE257, CYS289, ARG207, ASP202, GLY199, ASP203, TYR263, LEU306, VAL193, GLY295, TRP142, GLY293, THR294, VAL321, PHE316, LYS318, GLY198, TYR314, ASP313, GLU196, GLY312, LYS145, ALA147, VAL195, PRO311, ALA148, GLY151, SER152, LYS153, LEU90, GLY89, GLY87, SER86, LYS79, GLU83, ARG82, ILE84, GLU115, VAL80, and LYS119			

Table S9. Fraction of hydrogen bonds at the designed vaccine construct–TLRs interface during the 100ns simulation timescale (with occupancy $\geq 2\%$)

Modeled Vaccine-TLR2 complex			
TLR2 residue@atom: Vaccine construct residue@atom	No. of frames	Frac.	Avg
GLU77@OE2: VAL168@N	5970	54.3	2.88
ARG544@NH2: GLU322@O	2586	23.5	2.87
LYS124@NZ: ALA57@OE1	2391	21.7	2.81
LYS282@NZ: ALA69@O	1273	11.6	2.82
GLN531@NE2: GLY293@OG1	802	7.29	2.89
GLN528@O: GLY293@OG1	756	6.87	2.86
GLU77@OE2: VAL168@OG	747	6.79	2.69
LYS525@O: VAL317@NZ	587	5.34	2.81
GLN528@NE2: GLY295@O	355	3.23	2.87
SER533@OG: GLU322@O	227	2.06	2.91
Modeled Vaccine-TLR3 complex			
TLR3 residue@atom: Vaccine construct residue@atom	No. of frames	Frac.	Avg
ASN36@ND2: GLY151@OG	4159	37.8	2.88
LYS81@NZ: GLY310@O	2711	24.6	2.83
GLU512@OE1: VAL168@OG	2425	22	2.71
PRO230@NH2: SER201@OD1	2238	20.3	2.83
LYS81@NZ:PRO311@O	2132	19.4	2.83
LYS81@NZ: GLY312@OD1	1409	12.8	2.8
LYS309@NZ: LEU67@O	1342	12.2	2.82
HIS544@ND1: VAL168@OG	1218	11.1	2.85
ASP60@OD2: GLY151@OG	1134	10.3	2.68
GLU154@OE1: LEU144@NZ	1108	10.1	2.79
TYR262@OH: VAL97@O	844	7.67	2.78
HIS644@NE2: LYS14@OE1	783	7.12	2.79
ARG310@NH1: ALA123@O	754	6.85	2.83
GLU154@OE2: LEU144@NZ	539	4.9	2.84
LYS6@NZ: PHE32@OE1	408	3.71	2.8
GLU413@OE2:PRO250@N	289	2.63	2.86
Modeled Vaccine-TLR4 complex			
TLR4 residue@atom: Vaccine construct residue@atom	No. of frames	Frac.	Avg
ASN313@ND2: CYS194@O	7296	66.3	2.85
ASN549@ND2: ARG82@OE2	4825	43.9	2.82
GLU16@OE2: LEU211@NH1(63%)	4595	41.8	2.81
SER291@OG: VAL195@OE2	3175	28.9	2.71
ARG296@NH2: GLY312@OD2(47%)	2800	25.5	2.82
ARG296@NE: GLY312@OD2	2494	22.7	2.81
GLU16@OE1: LEU211@NE	2379	21.6	2.84
LYS315@NZ: LEU311@O	1984	18	2.83
GLU244@OE1: VAL317@NZ	1874	17	2.81
GLU577@OE2: ALA118@NZ	1519	13.8	2.79
ARG580@NH2: ARG82@O	1438	13.1	2.85
GLU240@OE2: GLY293@N	1192	10.8	2.86
TYR270@OH:ASP313@O	937	8.52	2.7
ARG208@NH1: GLY198@O	691	6.28	2.82
LYS315@NZ: GLY310@O	559	5.08	2.83
LEU523@O: ILE78@NZ	432	3.93	2.88
ARG208@NH1: SER201@OD1	241	2.19	2.8