

**A potently neutralizing and protective human antibody targeting antigenic site V on RSV
and hMPV fusion glycoprotein**

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1 **ABSTRACT**

2 Human respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) and human metapneumovirus (hMPV) are
3 frequent drivers of morbidity and mortality in susceptible populations, most often infantile, older
4 adults, and immunocompromised. The primary target of neutralizing antibodies is the fusion (F)
5 glycoprotein on the surface of the RSV and hMPV virion. As a result of the structural
6 conservation between RSV and hMPV F, three antigenic regions are known to induce cross-
7 neutralizing responses: sites III, IV, and V. Leveraging LIBRA-seq, we identify five RSV/hMPV
8 cross-reactive human antibodies. One antibody, 5-1, potently neutralizes all tested viruses from
9 the major subgroups of RSV and hMPV and provides protection against RSV and hMPV in a
10 mouse challenge model. Structural analysis reveals that 5-1 utilizes an uncommon genetic
11 signature to bind an epitope that spans sites \emptyset , II and V, defining a new mode of antibody cross-
12 reactivity between RSV and hMPV F. These findings highlight the molecular and structural
13 elements influencing RSV and hMPV cross-reactivity as well as the potential of antibody 5-1 for
14 translational development.

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24 INTRODUCTION

25 Human respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) and human metapneumovirus (hMPV) are
26 worldwide, endemic respiratory pathogens of the *Pneumoviridae* family¹. Representing non-
27 segmented negative-strand RNA viruses, RSV and hMPV induce severe and lethal bronchiolitis
28 and pneumonia among particularly susceptible populations, most notably infantile, geriatric, and
29 immunocompromised^{2,3}, with RSV being a leading cause of lower respiratory tract infection-
30 associated hospitalization and mortality in children under 5 years of age^{4,5}. A turbulent history
31 of disease enhancement following RSV vaccination⁶ has only recently been met with clinical
32 success in the advancement of effective prophylactic strategies leveraging structure-based
33 vaccine design⁷⁻⁹ and neutralizing antibodies with extended half lives^{10,11}. Currently there are no
34 approved therapeutic or prophylactic options against hMPV infection.

35 The major target of neutralizing antibodies in human sera against RSV and hMPV
36 infection is the fusion (F) glycoprotein on the surface of the virion¹²⁻¹⁵. RSV/hMPV F is a
37 trimeric type I transmembrane fusion protein responsible for mediating viral entry into host cells
38 of the airway epithelium¹⁶. Substantial conformational changes occur in F as it transitions from
39 the metastable prefusion form to the stable postfusion form, and understanding of these structural
40 rearrangements has enabled engineering of prefusion-stabilized F antigens¹⁷⁻²¹. Stabilization of
41 RSV and hMPV F in the prefusion state induces high neutralizing titers in experimentally
42 inoculated animals and prefusion-stabilized RSV F serves as the backbone of the recently
43 approved human RSV vaccines. Importantly, differential glycosylation patterns on the apex of
44 RSV and hMPV F result in conformationally specific contributions towards the induction of
45 neutralizing responses: RSV prefusion F epitopes are exceptionally immunogenic and invoke
46 potently neutralizing antibodies^{13,22}, whereas pre- and post-fusion hMPV F stimulate comparable

47 neutralizing responses^{20,23}. Antibody isolation and characterization efforts against RSV and
48 hMPV have enabled extensive definition of the antigenic landscapes of RSV and hMPV F. The
49 antigenic topology of RSV and hMPV F follows a synonymous nomenclature, with the major
50 sites represented as site Ø through site V, as well as the more recently described site VI on RSV
51 F²⁴. Antigenic sites Ø, V and VI are preserved exclusively on the prefusion conformations of the
52 proteins^{22,25,26}, whereas sites I, II, III, and IV are exposed on the pre- and postfusion
53 conformations.

54 Broadly reactive and neutralizing antibodies that recognize both RSV and hMPV have
55 been described with varied breadth and potency of virus neutralization^{22,27-34}. Due to the
56 structural conservation between RSV and hMPV F glycoproteins, three shared epitopes on F
57 elicit cross-reactive antibody responses, despite low sequence identity (~35%)³⁵: sites III, IV,
58 and V. Site III is highly conserved between both viruses and a common target of cross-
59 neutralizing antibodies encoded by *IGHV3-11/IGHV3-21: IGLV1-40*^{28,32-34}, a germline gene
60 pairing reported to be enriched in infant and adult anti-RSV antibody repertoires recognizing site
61 III³⁶. Low- and high-resolution structural analyses of site III and IV cross-reactive antibodies
62 provide evidence that binding pose may influence cross-reactivity; however, the mode of
63 antigenic recognition of a site V cross-neutralizing antibody remains unknown.

64 Leveraging LIBRA-seq (Linking B cell Receptor Sequence to Antigen Specificity by
65 Sequencing), we identified from human PBMC samples five RSV/hMPV cross-reactive
66 antibodies that showed high neutralization potencies against both RSV and hMPV that were
67 comparable to virus-specific (RSV- or hMPV-only) antibodies in the literature, with one
68 monoclonal antibody (mAb) 5-1 potently neutralizing the major subgroups of RSV and hMPV.
69 We determined the epitope of 5-1 by single-particle cryo-EM using a prefusion-stabilized hMPV

70 F with inter- and intra-protomer disulfide bonds and found that the binding site of 5-1 spans
71 antigenic sites Ø, II and V on an individual protomer. Analysis of the interface identifies residues
72 that are important for RSV and hMPV cross-neutralization. Finally, 5-1 showed robust protection
73 in a mouse challenge model against both RSV and hMPV, therefore establishing this antibody as
74 a prime candidate for further translational development.

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76 **RESULTS**

77 **Isolation of RSV/hMPV cross-reactive monoclonal antibodies by LIBRA-seq**

78 To identify RSV/hMPV cross-reactive antibodies, we mined previously reported LIBRA-
79 seq datasets^{37,38} that included prefusion-stabilized F glycoproteins from RSV A, RSV B, hMPV
80 A, hMPV B, as well as control antigens. These B cells were bulk sorted from healthy donor
81 PBMC samples, based on the expression of several markers: CD19⁺, IgG⁺, antigen⁺. After
82 sequencing and computational filtering, we isolated a total of 27 B cells with positive signal
83 (defined as a minimum LIBRA-seq score of 1) for at least one of the F glycoproteins belonging
84 to both RSV and hMPV, while exhibiting low signal (defined as a LIBRA-seq score less than 1)
85 for binding to control antigens.

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87 **Epitope mapping and in-vitro functional properties**

88 Five B cell receptor sequences from our analysis, corresponding to B cells with high
89 LIBRA-seq scores of at least 1 for both RSV A/B and hMPV A/B, were produced recombinantly
90 as IgG1 monoclonal antibodies (mAb) (Figure 1A). Four of the five antibodies are encoded by
91 gene segments belonging to the VH3 family, with two of the four using the archetypal *IGHV3-*
92 *11/3-21:IGLV1-40* of site III cross-reactive antibodies such as MPE8, 25P13, RSV199, and

93 MxR³⁴. In contrast, mAb 5-1 leveraged a pairing not yet reported, to our knowledge, among
94 RSV/hMPV cross-reactive B cells (Figure 1B). Predicted reactivity was confirmed via enzyme-
95 linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) (Figure 1C). To investigate the antigenic binding sites of
96 the cross-reactive mAbs, we tested the antibodies for competition ELISA binding against site-
97 specific published antibodies with prefusion-stabilized RSV F and hMPV F protein antigens.
98 Antibodies 2-6, 9-1, and 1-2 displayed consistent competition binding profiles on RSV and
99 hMPV F proteins, mapping to sites III (2-6, 9-1) and IV (1-2). Intriguingly, mAb 5-1 strongly
100 competed for binding to multiple sites on RSV prefusion F (sites Ø, II, III) and hMPV prefusion
101 F (sites II, III, V). mAb 0-20 also strongly competed for binding to multiple sites on RSV
102 prefusion F (sites Ø, II, V) and hMPV prefusion F (sites II and V) (Figure 2A). Due to the
103 unusual competition profiles of mAbs 5-1 and 0-20, we conducted epitope binning using
104 competition biolayer interferometry (BLI). Individually, prefusion-stabilized RSV or hMPV F
105 protein was loaded onto sensors before saturating with mAbs 5-1 or 0-20 followed by exposure
106 to mAbs with known antigenic epitopes. Similar to their competition ELISA binding profile,
107 mAb 5-1 competed with site Ø, II, III, and V mAbs on RSV, and II, III, and V on hMPV, while
108 mAb 0-20 competed with site Ø, II, and V mAbs on RSV, and site II and V mAbs on hMPV
109 (Figure 2B).

110 To investigate whether cross-reactivity emerged as a result of somatic hypermutation, we
111 reverted each candidate mAb to its germline sequence and tested binding to recombinant F
112 antigens. While mAbs 9-1 and 2-6 both target site III, germline-reverted mAb 2-6 preferred
113 binding to RSV F while germline-reverted mAb 9-1 preferred binding to hMPV F (Figure 2C).
114 Binding to both RSV and hMPV F was abrogated for the germline-reverted mAb 0-20, while

115 mAb 5-1 and mAb 1-2 displayed preferential binding to RSV F and hMPV F, respectively
116 (Figure 2C).

117 Antibody-virus neutralization potency was determined by plaque reduction neutralization
118 test (PRNT) using live virus to inoculate cells. All candidate mAbs exhibited neutralization
119 against at least one of the tested viruses representing the major antigenic groups of RSV and
120 hMPV. Notably, while mAb 5-1 demonstrated higher neutralization potencies against hMPV
121 compared to RSV viruses, this antibody exhibited strong neutralization against all viruses tested
122 (IC_{50} 0.0029–0.0280 μ g/mL) (Figure 3A-B). To assess autoreactivity, binding to permeabilized
123 HEp-2 cells was performed. At 1 μ g/mL and 10 μ g/mL, none of the antibodies displayed binding
124 to HEp-2 cells (Supplementary Figure 1).

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126 **Structure of mAb 5-1 complexed with hMPV F**

127 As mAb 5-1 was the most potently neutralizing antibody and displayed a unique
128 competition profile that was not resolved by competition biolayer interferometry, we investigated
129 the epitope of mAb 5-1 using negative stain electron microscopy (EM) and cryo-electron
130 microscopy (cryoEM). Efforts with a prefusion RSV F protein (DS-Cav1) and 5-1 antigen-
131 binding fragment (Fab) were unsuccessful, as most of the trimers were observed in a splayed-
132 open state (Supplementary Figure 2). Therefore, we used a prefusion-stabilized hMPV F
133 construct (hMPV F-DS-CavEs2-IPDS), which contains intra- and inter-protomer disulfide bonds
134 to lock hMPV F in a closed prefusion trimer conformation³⁹

135 Cryo-EM analysis of hMPV F and 5-1 Fab revealed a heterogeneous mixture of
136 complexes composed of three Fabs per trimer, with the majority of the particles displaying
137 flexibility at the membrane-proximal base of the F protein (Supplementary Figure 3). However, a

138 subset of particles retained after 2D classification were identified with a well-ordered base
139 (~23%), and further processing yielded a 3D reconstruction with a global resolution of 4.3 Å
140 (Supplementary Figure 4B,C). The cryo-EM map agrees very well with a model of the complex
141 produced with AlphaFold3⁴⁰, and only light refinement was required to obtain an excellent map-
142 to-model fit.

143 The structure reveals that the 5-1 epitope is contained within the F1 subunit of a single
144 protomer and primarily spans antigenic sites II and V, with some additional interactions with site
145 Ø (Figure 4A,B). The 5-1 heavy and light chains bury 597 Å² and 303 Å² of surface area,
146 respectively, with the complementarity-determining region (CDR) 1 and 2 of the light chain
147 contributing to the interaction with site Ø and the top half of site V. The light chain primarily
148 interacts with residues on α4 through an electrostatic interaction network formed by Asp31_{CDRL1}
149 and Arg50_{CDRL2} with RSV F residues Lys171 and Asp167, and with residues on the loop
150 preceding β3 through the electrostatic interaction of Glu55_{CDRL2} with Lys143 (Figure 4C). The
151 heavy chain packs its CDR loops against the cleft between β3 and α6, with Tyr53_{CDRH2} inserted
152 into the cleft. Interestingly, the 5-1 CDRL3 only interacts with residues on the CDRH2 and
153 CDRH3 loops rather than with hMPV F, which may be important for stabilizing the heavy chain
154 interactions (Figure 4C). In addition, there appear to be interactions between light chain
155 framework residues and the N-linked glycans attached to Asn172 on hMPV F, despite the low
156 resolution and partially modeled glycan chains (Supplementary Figure 4A-D).

157 The structural model obtained from cryo-EM analysis agrees well with the ELISA and
158 BLI competition binding data. Superposition of the cryo-EM structure with previously
159 determined structures of the antibodies used in the competition assays predicts that 5-1 would
160 sterically clash with D25, motavizumab, MPE8, hRSV90, ADI-61026 and MPV467

161 (Supplementary Figure 5). Further comparison to known hMPV and RSV F antibody complexes
162 revealed that hRSV90 binds to a similar epitope on RSV F, except with an inverted arrangement
163 of the heavy and light chains (Supplementary 6). However, hRSV90 is specific for RSV and
164 does not bind or neutralize hMPV.

165 The 5-1 epitope contains some amino acids that are not well conserved among RSV and
166 hMPV F proteins, yet the antibody binding mode can accommodate these differences (Figure
167 4D,E). The substitutions will likely impact the affinity of 5-1 to different extents, but they do not
168 introduce clashes that would prevent antibody binding. The region including the β 3 strand is
169 generally well conserved (hMPV F residues 142–150), as is the cleft between β 3 and α 6, into
170 which Tyr53_{CDRH2} inserts. Thus, the structure and AlphaFold3 models of 5-1 bound to hMPV F
171 and RSV F provide a structural basis for how 5-1 can bind an epitope at the F apex that is
172 thought to be under immune pressure and less conserved than other regions.

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174 **In-vivo protection against viral infection**

175 Next, we investigated the protective efficacy of mAb 5-1 in both an RSV and hMPV
176 infection model in BALB/c mice. Fourteen-week-old female mice were mock treated with PBS,
177 an isotype control human mAb VRC01, or different doses of mAb 5-1 six hours prior to
178 intranasal RSV or hMPV challenge (Figure 5A,B). Lung viral titers of mice were determined by
179 plaque assay on day 6 post infection to assess mAb 5-1 prophylaxis against infection. At the
180 highest mAb 5-1 dose of 10 mg/kg, viral lung titers were below the detection limits for both RSV
181 and hMPV for all animals (Fig. 5B). Even at the 10-fold lower dose of 1 mg/kg, 2/5 animals
182 (40%) showed no detectable viral titers in the lung for both RSV and hMPV and were overall
183 significantly lower than those observed in the control groups. Animals receiving the lowest dose

184 of 0.1 mg/kg of mAb 5-1 showed significantly reduced lung viral titers for RSV and a 3.33 -fold
185 (though not statistically significant) reduction for hMPV. Together, these results showcase the *in*
186 *vivo* protective ability of mAb 5-1 against RSV and hMPV challenge.

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188 **DISCUSSION**

189 Respiratory illness associated with infection by either RSV and/or hMPV remains a
190 public health threat, with the potential for severe disease in neonatal, geriatric, and
191 immunocompromised patients such as those undergoing hematopoietic stem cell transplant and
192 patients suffering from pulmonary co-morbidities. While strategies to prevent severe infection
193 induced by RSV have advanced in the last year, there are currently no approved treatments for
194 infection by hMPV. We and others have isolated RSV and hMPV cross-neutralizing antibodies
195 that present an interesting alternative to mono-valent therapies, providing a protective regimen
196 for the prevention or amelioration of disease caused by either mono- or co-infection of RSV and
197 hMPV.

198 We discovered five antibodies targeting three previously reported epitopes on the F
199 protein known to elicit cross-reactive humoral responses. Consistent with the enrichment of site
200 III-directed antibodies encoded by *IGHV3-11/3-21:IGLV1-40*, mAbs 9-1 and 2-6 display
201 competition profiles indicative of binding at antigenic site III. Interestingly, germline-reverted
202 mAbs 9-1 and 2-6 favored binding to F from different viruses, despite targeting the same site.
203 Loss of antigenic binding of mAb 0-20 to both RSV and hMPV F in the germline state suggests
204 cross-reactivity can be achieved through multiple antibody evolution pathways, i.e., through
205 subsequent activation of either RSV or hMPV-specific B cells.

206 All five RSV/hMPV antibodies displayed *in vitro* neutralizing activity against infection
207 by at least one representative virus of each genotype, albeit some mAbs displayed preferential
208 neutralization against RSV or hMPV alone. mAb 5-1 displayed potent neutralization against all
209 viruses tested, reaching neutralization potencies of better than 10 ng/mL IC₅₀ against hMPV 97-
210 83 and hMPV TN/93-32. A significant proportion of hMPV field strains contain amino acid
211 substitution D280N^{41,42}, which may impede binding of *IGHV3-11/3-21:IGLV1-40* site III cross-
212 reactive antibodies such as MPE8, 25P13, and RSV199. Our structural analysis predicts this
213 mutation would be well tolerated, as D280 falls outside of the epitope of 5-1, which is
214 predominantly within antigenic site V and antigenic site II, with additional contacts with site Ø.
215 The structure agrees well with the ELISA and BLI competition assay data, with the exception for
216 antibody DS7. The modeling indicates that DS7 is not predicted to clash with 5-1, however some
217 competition was observed (Figure 2B). This may be influenced by the ability of DS7 to bind a
218 conformation of the hMPV F protomer that contains elements of both the prefusion and
219 postfusion conformation⁴³. The apex of hMPV F is shielded by glycans on Asn57 and Asn172
220 (Supplementary Figure 7), reducing antigenic exposure and dampening the immune response,
221 relative to that of RSV, against site V and site Ø^{23,44-46}. However, despite this immune evasion
222 technique, the human immune system has proven its ability to circumvent this obstacle through
223 penetration of the glycan shield, as demonstrated with antibody ADI-61026⁴⁴, where ADI-61026
224 positions itself into a pocket between two glycans and directly interacts with Asn57-glycan.
225 Glycan-shield-penetrating antibodies have also been reported that bind to HIV-1 Env^{47,48}, and
226 hepatitis C E2⁴⁹. Here, we demonstrate that 5-1 is also able to breach the glycan shield at the
227 apex of hMPV F (Supplementary Figure 7).

228 As mAb 5-1 predominantly targets antigenic site V and provides protection against hMPV
229 and RSV infection, we systematically compared the 5-1 binding pose and epitope with other site
230 V antibodies, where structural information was available. We observed that antibodies bind to
231 site V with varied modes of binding and thus contact differential residues in their respective
232 epitopes, as observed with site III^{28,33,34} and IV binders²⁹. While many of the antibodies
233 discussed here engage site V contact residues that are conserved between hMPV and RSV, the
234 majority of these antibodies retain specificity for RSV or hMPV alone, likely as a result of the
235 structural difference between RSV and hMPV trimers (Supplementary Figure 6).

236 Structural and repertoire analyses, in the context of antibodies elicited as a result of natural
237 infection by RSV and hMPV^{22,39,45,50,51}, have revealed the propensity of site V towards the
238 induction of potently neutralizing humoral responses. Within the trimeric prefusion F protein, the
239 fusion peptide is buried inside a hydrophobic cavity occluded by the site V epitope. As
240 demonstrated with a previously reported antibody targeting site V on hMPV F³⁹, one potential
241 explanation for the potency of mAb 5-1, as compared to the other mAbs in our set, is that
242 binding of mAb 5-1 prevents extension of the fusion peptide from the F protein, thereby
243 disrupting the conformational changes necessary for productive infection.

244 Currently, no FDA-approved prophylaxis or therapeutics against hMPV F are available,
245 despite substantial efforts^{52,53}. Recent progress, including structure-based RSV vaccines and
246 antibody prophylaxis have been made, yet an antibody that potently neutralizes RSV with a
247 unique antigenic footprint may offer additional benefits when considering the potential for virus
248 evolution. Furthermore, an antibody that provides cross protection against both RSV and hMPV
249 infection can be utilized to provide long-lasting protection against infection from either of these
250 viruses in at-risk populations, providing important logistical advantages over developing

251 multiple virus-specific mAbs. mAb 5-1 therefore presents an attractive target for further
252 translational development.

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254 **MATERIALS AND METHODS**

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256 **Data mining**

257 LIBRA-seq datasets generated from 2020-2023 that included prefusion RSV A F, RSV B F, hMPV
258 A F, and hMPV B F in the antigen screening library were mined for B cells displaying a minimum
259 LIBRA-seq score of one for at least one of the F antigens, while also displaying a score below one
260 for a control antigen, in this case, recombinant HIV-1 envelope protein. LIBRA-seq experiments
261 were performed on peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs) samples obtained from otherwise
262 healthy adult individuals. The established LIBRA-seq pipeline was used for score generation⁵⁴.

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264 **Antibody expression and purification**

265 For each antibody, variable genes were synthesized as cDNA and were inserted into bi-cistronic
266 plasmids encoding for the constant regions of the heavy chain and either the kappa or lambda light
267 chain (Twist BioScience). Antibodies were transiently expressed with Expifectamine transfection
268 reagent (Thermo Fisher Scientific) in Expi293F cells in FreeStyle F17 expression media (Thermo
269 Fisher) (0.1% Pluronic Acid F-68 and 20% 4 mM L-glutamine). Cells were cultured for 5 days at
270 8% CO₂ saturation and 37°C with shaking. Five days post transfection, cells were collected and
271 centrifuged at a minimum of 6000 rpm for 20 minutes. Supernatant was filtered with Nalgene
272 Rapid Flow Disposable Filter Units with PES membrane (0.45 or 0.22 µm) and purified over

273 protein A equilibrated with PBS. Antibodies were eluted with 100 mM glycine HCl at pH 2.7
274 directly into a 1:10 volume of 1 M Tris-HCl pH 8 and then exchanged into PBS for storage at 4°C.

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276 **Enzyme linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA)**

277 Recombinant antigen was plated at 2 ug/mL overnight at 4°C. The next day, plates were washed
278 three times with PBS supplemented with 0.05% Tween20 (PBS-T) and coated with 1% bovine
279 serum albumin (BSA) in PBS-T. Plates were incubated for one hour at room temperature and then
280 washed three times with PBS-T. Primary antibodies were diluted in 1% BSA in PBS-T, starting at
281 10 µg/mL with a serial 1:5 dilution, plated, and then incubated at room temperature for one hour
282 before washing three times in PBS-T. The secondary antibody, goat anti-human IgG conjugated
283 to peroxidase, was added at 1:10,000 dilution in 1% BSA in PBS-T to the plates, which were
284 incubated for one hour at room temperature. Plates were washed three times with PBS-T and then
285 developed by adding TMB substrate to each well. The plates were incubated at room temperature
286 for five minutes, and then 1 N sulfuric acid was added to stop the reaction. Plates were read at 450
287 nm. ELISAs were performed in technical and biological duplicate.

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289 **Competitive binding of mAbs with site-specific antibodies in the literature**

290 Wells of 384-well microtiter plates were coated with 25ul of 2 µg/mL purified F antigenic protein
291 at 4°C overnight. Plates were blocked with 50 µl of 1% BSA in PBS-T for 1 h before washing
292 three times with PBS-T. Primary antibodies at 10 µg/mL were added to wells (20 µL per well) in
293 duplicate and incubated for 1 h at room temperature. A biotinylated preparation of recombinantly
294 produced site-specific monoclonal antibodies were added to wells of each primary antibody at a
295 concentration of 10µg/mL in a volume of 5 µL per well, without washing of unlabeled antibody,

296 and then incubated for 1 h at room temperature. Plates were washed three times with PBS-T and
297 bound antibodies were detected using horseradish peroxidase (HRP) -conjugated anti-biotin
298 1:1000 (ThermoFischer Scientific) and a TMB substrate. The signal obtained for binding of the
299 biotin-labelled reference antibody in the presence of the unlabeled tested antibody was expressed
300 as a percentage of the binding of the reference antibody alone after subtracting the background
301 signal. Tested mAbs were considered competing if their presence reduced the reference antibody
302 binding to less than 40% of its maximal binding and non-competing if the signal was greater than
303 71%. A level of 41 to 70% was considered intermediate competition.

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305 **Germline Reversion of BCRs**

306 Nucleotide sequences for the heavy and light chains of the described antibodies were annotated
307 using IMGT V-Quest. Mutations occurring outside of the CDR3 region were reverted to the
308 residues present in the V and J genes and alleles that most closely aligned to the mature sequence.

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310 **Cell culture and virus CPE determination**

311 LLC-MK2 cells were obtained from ATCC (CCL-7) and grown in growth media (Opti-MEM with
312 2% FBS) at 37°C, 5% CO₂. Propagated virus was grown in viral growth media (Opti-MEM with
313 5 µg/mL trypsin-EDTA and 1% antibiotic-antimycotic) in LLC-MK2 cells at a multiplicity of
314 infection (MOI) of 0.01 for 3-5 days at 37°C, 5% CO₂ until CPE was observed. Virus was harvested
315 using the freeze-thaw method into 25% sucrose solution and stored at -80°C until use.

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317 **Plaque reduction neutralization test with MPV (CAN/97-83 and TN/93-32) or RSV (A2 and**
318 **B) virus**

319 24 hours prior to viral infection, LLC-MK2 (for hMPV) or HEp-2 (for RSV) cells were plated in
320 growth media at 5×10^4 cells per well in 24 well plates and incubated at 37°C, 5% CO₂. The day
321 of viral infection, mAbs were serially diluted in Opti-MEM with a starting concentration of 40
322 µg/mL. hMPV (CAN/97-83 and TN/93-32) or RSV (A2 and B) virus was diluted in Opti-MEM to
323 a final concentration of 2400 plaque forming units (pfu)/mL and added to the mAb mixtures at a
324 1:1 volume ratio. The mAb/virus mixture incubated for 1 hour at room temperature. Prior to adding
325 the mAb/virus mixture to cells, confluent cells in 24 well plates were washed gently three times
326 with PBS. mAb/virus mixture was added to each well (50 µL per well) and the plates rocked at
327 37°C, 5% CO₂ for 1 hour. Warm overlay (0.75% methylcellulose in Opti-MEM, 5 µg/mL trypsin-
328 EDTA and 1% antibiotic-antimycotic) was added to each well and the plates incubated for 4 days
329 at 37°C, 5% CO₂. Following incubation, the cells were fixed with 10% neutral buffered formalin,
330 washed with water three times, then blocked with milk blocking buffer (2% milk powder, 2% goat
331 serum in PBS-T). Plates were washed three times with water and immunostained with human
332 mAbs MPV364 (for hMPV) or 101F (for RSV) diluted to 5 µg/mL in milk blocking solution for
333 1 hour at room temperature. Plates were washed three times with water before adding the
334 secondary antibody, goat anti-human IgG Fc conjugated to horse radish peroxidase, at a dilution
335 of 1:2000 in milk blocking solution and incubated for 1 hour at room temperature. Plates were
336 washed three times with water and developed with TrueBlue substrate by rocking for 10 minutes.
337 After plaques were visibly stained by the substrate, the plates were washed once with water to stop
338 the developing reaction. Immunostained plaques were counted and graphed on GraphPad Prism9.
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340 **RSV and hMPV mouse challenge model**

341 BALB/c mice (14 weeks old; The Jackson Laboratory) were intranasally infected with RSV A2
342 (2.0×10^6 PFU/mouse) or hMPV TN/93-32 (3.0×10^5 PFU/mouse) and euthanized 6 d postinfection.
343 Monoclonal antibody 5-1 was administered intraperitoneally at 10, 1.0, or 0.1 mg/kg. Control
344 mice were intraperitoneally injected with PBS or VRC01 (isotype control) at 10 mg/kg. All
345 injections occurred 6 h prior to infection. Lung homogenates were used for viral titration by plaque
346 assay as described above.

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348 **HEp-2 cell immunofluorescence assay to detect mAb autoreactivity**

349 HEp-2 cell coated slides (BION ENTERPRISES LTD ANA (Hep-2) Test System, ANK-120) were
350 incubated with purified antibodies at 10 and 1 μ g/ml or control sera in a moist chamber at room
351 temperature for 30 min. Controls provided with the kit included anti-nuclear antibody (ANA)⁺ and
352 (ANA)⁻ human sera. Slides were washed twice with PBS for 5 min. Cells were stained with FITC-
353 goat anti-human Ig per the manufacturer's instructions and incubated in a moist chamber at room
354 temperature for 30 min. Slides were washed twice with PBS for 5 min, mounted with DAPI
355 mounting medium (Southern Biotech 0100-20) and visualized by fluorescence microscopy
356 (Olympus BX60 epifluorescence microscope coupled with a CCD camera and MagnaFire software
357 Optronics International) at 40x magnification. Image brightness and contrast were optimized using
358 Adobe Photoshop.

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360 **Recombinant protein production for negative stain and cryo-EM**

361 Prefusion RSV-F strain A2 (DS-Cav-1)^{17,55} was used for negative stain-EM. Prefusion hMPV-F
362 construct DS-CavEs2-IPDS protein was used for cryo-EM structural studies as previously
363 reported³⁹. In brief, plasmids encoding antigens were transfected into FreeStyle 293F cells

364 (ThermoFisher) by PEI. Kifunensine and Pluronic F-68 (Gibco) were introduced 3 h post
365 transfection. Six days later, the cell supernatant was filtered, and buffer exchanged into PBS by
366 tangential flow filtration. Then, Step-TactinXT 4 Flow resin (IBA) was used to purify the protein
367 from the filtered supernatant following the manufacturer's instruction. The purified protein was
368 then concentrated using a 10 kDa molecular weight cutoff Amicon Ultra-15 centrifugal filter unit
369 (Millipore) and subject to a Superose 6 increase 10/300 column (Cytivia) in PBS running buffer
370 (hMPV- F DS-CavEs2-IPDS) or 2 mM Tris pH 8.0, 200 mM NaCl, and 0.02% NaN₃ (RSV A2
371 DS-Cav-1) for preparative size-exclusion chromatography. Peaks corresponding to trimeric
372 species were identified based on elution volume and SDS-PAGE of elution fractions. Fractions
373 containing pure fusion protein were pooled.

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375 **Negative stain-EM**

376 For screening and imaging of negatively stained 5-1 Fab in complex with RSV-F A2 DS-Cav-1,
377 sample was diluted to 100mg/mL with buffer containing 10 mM NaCl, 20 mM HEPES buffer, pH
378 7.4, and 5% glycerol and applied to glow-discharged grid with continuous carbon film on 400
379 square mesh copper EM grids (Electron Microscopy Sciences). The grids were stained with 2%
380 uranyl formate (UF). Grids were examined on a 100 kV Morgagni microscope with a 1k x 1k AMT
381 CCD camera.

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383 **Cryo-EM sample preparation and data collection.**

384 The purified hMPV-F-DS-CavEs2-IPDS was combined with 5-1 Fab in PBS buffer with a final
385 concentration of 4.8 μM and 21.6 μM and incubated on ice for 3 min. Then, the 3 μl mixture was
386 applied to a UltrAuFoil R1.2/1.3 300 mesh grid (Electron Microscopy Sciences) that had been

387 glow-discharged with a PELCO easiGlow glow discharge cleaning system for 1 min. Grids were
388 plunge-frozen using a Vitrobot Mark IV (ThermoFisher Scientific) at 4 °C, 100% humidity. Blot
389 settings were 4s of blotting with force 2. Movies (3,538) were collected from a single grid on a
390 200 kV Glacios microscope (ThermoFisher Scientific) equipped with a Falcon 4 direct electron
391 detector (ThermoFisher Scientific). Data were collected at a 50-degree tilt and at a magnification
392 of 150,000x, where the calibrated pixel size is 0.94 Å/pix and the total exposure is 48.6 e⁻/Å².

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394 **Cryo-EM data processing**

395 Movies were imported into cryoSPARC v4.4.0⁵⁶ for gain correction, motion correction, patch CTF
396 estimation, micrograph curation, particle picking, and particle extraction with a 2X Fourier crop.
397 After two rounds of particle curation through 2D class averaging, the generated 2D class averages
398 were used as templates to perform another round of template-based particle picking. Then, the
399 particles were curated by 2D class averaging and curated particles were subject to ab initio
400 reconstruction, heterogeneous refinement, and homogeneous refinement with C3 symmetry
401 applied. Due to the presence of flexibility at the bottom region of the homogeneous-refined EM
402 map, a 3D variability analysis job was performed with a focused mask to explore alternative
403 conformations. After 3D variability analysis, a 3D classification job with a focused mask on the
404 hMPV F base region was executed to generate EM maps of different conformations, followed by
405 heterogeneous refinement. As particles were processed with Fourier cropping in the procedure
406 described above, we re-extracted the particles with raw pixel size, removed the duplicate particles
407 and reconstructed one EM map with homogeneous refinement and reference-based motion
408 correction. Finally, the map from the last round of homogeneous refinement was sharpened using
409 DeepEMhancer⁵⁷. For model building, an initial model was generated by AlphaFold3 server⁵⁸. As

410 the predicted model aligned well with our 3D EM map, the following iterative refinements were
411 performed using this model in Coot^{59,60}, PHENIX⁶¹ and ISOLDE⁶². The adjacent cystines in 5-1
412 Fab CDRH3 loop were modeled as a disulfide bond in the AlphaFold3 predicted model and were
413 left unchanged during refinement. At the last round of refinement, glycans were built into the
414 model, refined and validated using Coot and Privateer software⁶³. The EM processing workflow
415 is shown as Supplementary Figure 3 and EM validation results are shown in Supplementary Figure
416 4. Refinement statistics are shown in Supplementary Table 1.

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418 **Sequence conservation analysis and alignment**

419 The glycoprotein sequence of hMPV F protein from strain NL/1/100 (A1 sub lineage, NCBI
420 accession: YP_009513268.1) was uploaded into the HMMER web server⁶⁴ to search for
421 homologous sequences against UniProtKB database with phmmer programs and default
422 parameters. The searching results were then manually filtered based on species, similarity,
423 coverage and hit position. To avoid potential bias, 250 sequences for both hMPV F and RSV F
424 were extracted from the search results and aligned with Clustal Omega⁶⁵. The output was
425 imported into ChimeraX⁶⁶ to generate a sequence conservation map. For direct alignment of four
426 representative hMPV F and two RSV F protein sequences, hMPV F from A1 (NL/1/00 strain,
427 NCBI accession: NC_039199.1), A2 (NL/17/00 strain, NCBI accession: AAQ90144.1), B1
428 (NL/1/99 strain, NCBI accession: AAQ90145.1), B2 (NL/1/94 strain, AAQ90146.1) and RSV F
429 from A2 (NCBI accession: ACO83301.1) and B (NCBI accession: WKU63582.1) sequences
430 were pooled and aligned with Clustal Omega.

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432 **Data Availability**

433 Datasets from which individual antibody sequences were pulled can be found in ^{37,38}. The EM
434 map and coordinates for the hMPV F and 5-1 Fab complex have been deposited into the
435 Electron Microscopy Data Bank (EMDB-45412) and the Protein Data Bank (9CB1; DOI:
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437 information.

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439 **FIGURE TITLES AND LEGENDS**

440 **Figure 1: Identification and characterization of RSV/hMPV cross-reactive antibodies**

441 A: LIBRA-seq predicted RSV and hMPV specific B cells. Each dot indicates an individual B
442 cell. Max RSV A / RSV B LIBRA-seq score on the x-axis, max hMPV A / hMPV B LIBRA-seq
443 score on the y-axis. Dots colored in purple were selected for further characterization.

444 B: Sequence characteristics of RSV/hMPV cross-reactive antibodies. Percent identity is
445 calculated at the nucleotide level and sequences and VDJ/VJ length are displayed at the amino
446 acid level.

447 C: ELISA binding of recombinantly produced antibodies against RSV and hMPV prefusion F
448 trimer, calculated as absorbance at 450 nm. Experiments were performed in technical and
449 biological duplicate.

450 **Figure 2: Binding characteristics of RSV/hMPV cross-reactive mAbs**

451 A: Antibody-antibody competition binding to RSV and hMPV prefusion F trimer against control
452 site specific antibodies. Percentage of binding of biotinylated antibody is shown as a heatmap
453 from 0% (black) to 100% (white). Non-biotinylated competitor antibodies were coated first, and
454 then biotinylated control mAbs were added to detect competition. Competition is calculated as

455 the signal obtained for binding of the biotin-labelled reference antibody in the presence of the
456 unlabeled antibody, expressed as a percentage of the binding of the reference antibody alone.

457 B: Epitope binning via BLI for binding of mAbs 20 and 5-1 to RSV and hMPV prefusion F
458 trimer. Data indicate the percent binding of the second antibody in the presence of the first
459 antibody, as compared to the second antibody alone. Percentage of binding is shown as a
460 heatmap from 0% (black) to 100% (white).

461 C: ELISA binding of germline reverted, recombinantly produced antibodies against RSV A and
462 B and hMPV A and B prefusion F trimer, calculated as absorbance at 450 nm. ELISA area
463 under the curve (AUC) shown as a heatmap from minimum (white) to maximum binding
464 (purple).

465 **Figure 3: Neutralization potency of RSV/hMPV cross-reactive mAbs.**

466 A: Antibody neutralization against RSV A2, RSV B1, hMPV A2, and hMPV B2 via PRNT .

467 B: IC₅₀ values, expressed as a heatmap with strong neutralization (<0.1 µg/mL) shown in purple
468 and weak/non neutralizing (>10 µg/mL) shown in light purple. Calculated by non-linear
469 regression analysis by GraphPad Prism software. Neutralization assays were performed in
470 technical triplicate; data are represented as mean ± SD.

471 **Figure 4: 5-1 Fab binds to the prefusion hMPV F at site II, V and the glycan at Asn172.**

472 A: Front view and side view of the fit of hMPV F complex into a DeepEMhanced EM map at the
473 contour level of 0.432. The global DeepEMhanced EM map was show as a white transparent
474 map with a single hMPV F protomer and Fab variable domain colored (hMPV F, blue; heavy
475 chain variable domain, red; light chain variable domain, orange).

476 B: Overlay of the 5-1 epitope onto the defined antigenic sites of hMPV F revealing that 5-1
477 primarily interacts with residues in site II and V, with additional contacts within site Ø.

478 C: Atomic model of 5-1 and hMPV F interface with key residues highlighted as sticks. 5-1 and
479 one hMPV F protomer are shown as cartoons. Oxygen atoms are colored red and Nitrogen atoms
480 are colored blue. Partially modeled Asn-172 glycan is shown as deep color sticks.

481 D: Sequence conservation of the 5-1 epitope between hMPV F and RSV F with the epitope of 5-
482 1 delineated in white.

483 E: Sequence alignment of the 5-1 epitope with four representative hMPV F sequences from A1,
484 A2, B1, B2 subgroup and two representative RSV sequences from A2 and B subgroup. The
485 conservation of each residue is described underneath and the 5-1 interacting residues are
486 highlighted in red. The glycosylation site at Asn-172 is shown as a branch.

487 **Figure 5: 5-1 Prophylaxis of 5-1 against RSV and hMPV challenge.**

488 Protective efficacy of 5-1 against A) RSV and B) hMPV replication *in vivo*. BALB/c mice were
489 treated intraperitoneally with 10 mg/kg, 1 mg/kg, and 0.1 mg/kg of mAb 5-1 6h prior to
490 intranasal RSV and hMPV infection. Viral titers in the lung homogenates of BALB/c mice in
491 each treatment group (n = 5 mice per group, 5 females) were determined by plaque assay. n.s.,
492 not significant, Limit of detection (LOD) is indicated with a dashed line.

493 **Supplementary Figure 1: mAb binding to HEp2 Cells**

494 Images of representative mAbs staining of HEp-2 cells. Indirect immunofluorescence assay
495 testing reactivity of RSV/hMPV mAbs in HEp-2 cells. Each mAb was tested at 1 and 10 µg/mL.
496 Positivity scores were determined relative to positive (ANA+ human serum) and negative (ANA
497 – human serum) controls. DAPI staining (blue) was used to visualize nuclear DNA, goat anti-
498 human Ig-FITC (green) staining notes Hep-2 cell reactivity. For all images, brightness was set to
499 150 and contrast was set to 100 using Photoshop.

500 **Supplementary Figure 3: hMPV F and 5-1 Fab cryoEM dataset processing workflow**

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502 Representative micrographs, EM maps, computational programs and softwares from each step of
503 the workflow are shown and labeled. The mask used for 3D classification is shown as a
504 transparent purple surface.

505 **Supplementary Figure 4: Validation of the obtained hMPV F EM map**

506 A: Fitting of the DeepEMhanced EM map into the raw, unsharpened EM map. The raw,
507 unsharpened EM map is shown as a transparent surface at the threshold of 0.0658. The
508 DeepEMhanced EM map is shown as an opaque surface at the threshold of 0.431 with an
509 individual hMPV F and Fab variable domain colored as indicated.

510 B: The surface of the raw unsharpened EM map was colored by local resolution at the threshold
511 of 0.026.

512 C: FSC curves and particle orientation distribution for the EM map from the final homogeneous
513 refinement step. Top, FSC curves; Botton, particle orientation distribution. Horizon line in FSC
514 curves corresponds to an FSC value of 0.143.

515 D. The binding interface between hMPV F-DsCavEs2-IPDS and 5-1 Fab. CryoEM map was
516 shown as a transparent surface with the model fitted and colored.

517 **Supplementary Figure 5: Steric clashes between 5-1 and site-specific antibodies**

518 5-1 shows significant clashes with competing antibodies and little to no steric clashing with non-
519 competing antibodies from figure 2. Selected antibodies are shown as transparent surface and 5-1
520 is shown as cartoon with the light and heavy chain colored as orange and red, respectively. 101 F
521 and DS7 are modeled onto hMPV F trimers because of their close distance on native protomers.

522 **Supplementary Figure 6: Binding poses and epitope conservation of antibodies binding**

523 **site V**

524 A: Modelling of site V antibodies with 5-1 Fab shows different binding poses on hMPV F. The
525 quaternary antibody AM-14 was included for completeness. 5-1 is shown as opaque surface with
526 the light and heavy chains colored as orange and red, respectively. Selected antibodies are
527 modelled as transparent surface with the light and heavy chains colored as lavender and purple,
528 respectively.

529 B. Antigenic footprints of 5-1 and site V antibodies target different epitopes inside site V and
530 often bind
531 residues beyond site V.

532 C. Comparison of epitopes based on sequence conservation reveals that sequence conservation
533 did not solely determine the cross-neutralization properties of antibodies.

534 **Supplementary Figure 7: N-linked glycans and 5-1 Fab binding**

535 A: Front view (left) and top view (right) of the N-linked complex glycans on hMPV F trimers.
536 Glycans shown as ticks.

537 B. Fit of the 5-1 Fab onto the modeled hMPV F trimers shows the light chain of 5-1 inserts into
538 the cleft between Asn57-glycan and Asn172-glycan without clashes with Asn172-Glycan.

539 **Supplementary Table 1: Cryo-EM data collection and reconstruction statistics.**

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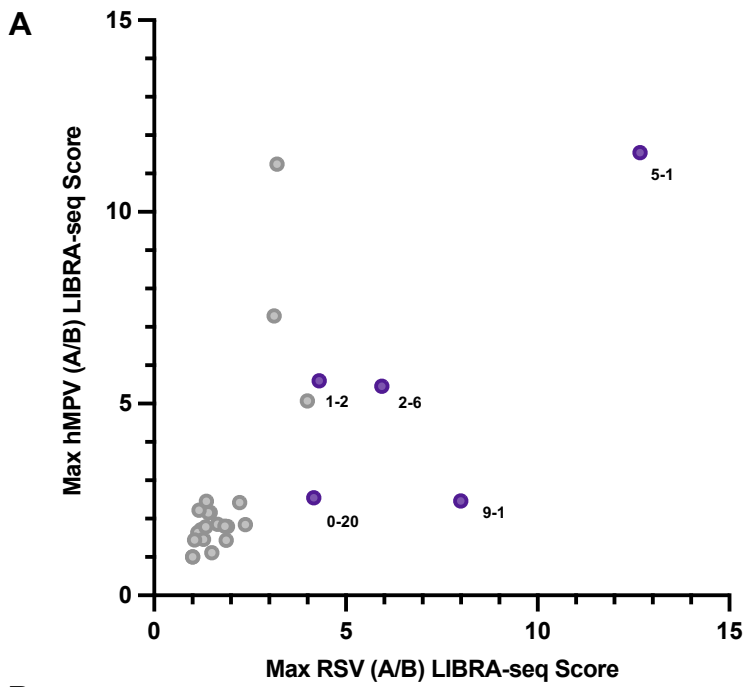


Figure 1: Identification and characterization of RSV/hMPV cross-reactive antibodies

A: LIBRA-seq predicted RSV and hMPV specific B cells. Each dot indicates an individual B cell. Max RSV A / RSV B LIBRA-seq score on the x-axis, max hMPV A / hMPV B LIBRA-seq score on the y-axis. Dots colored in purple were selected for further characterization.

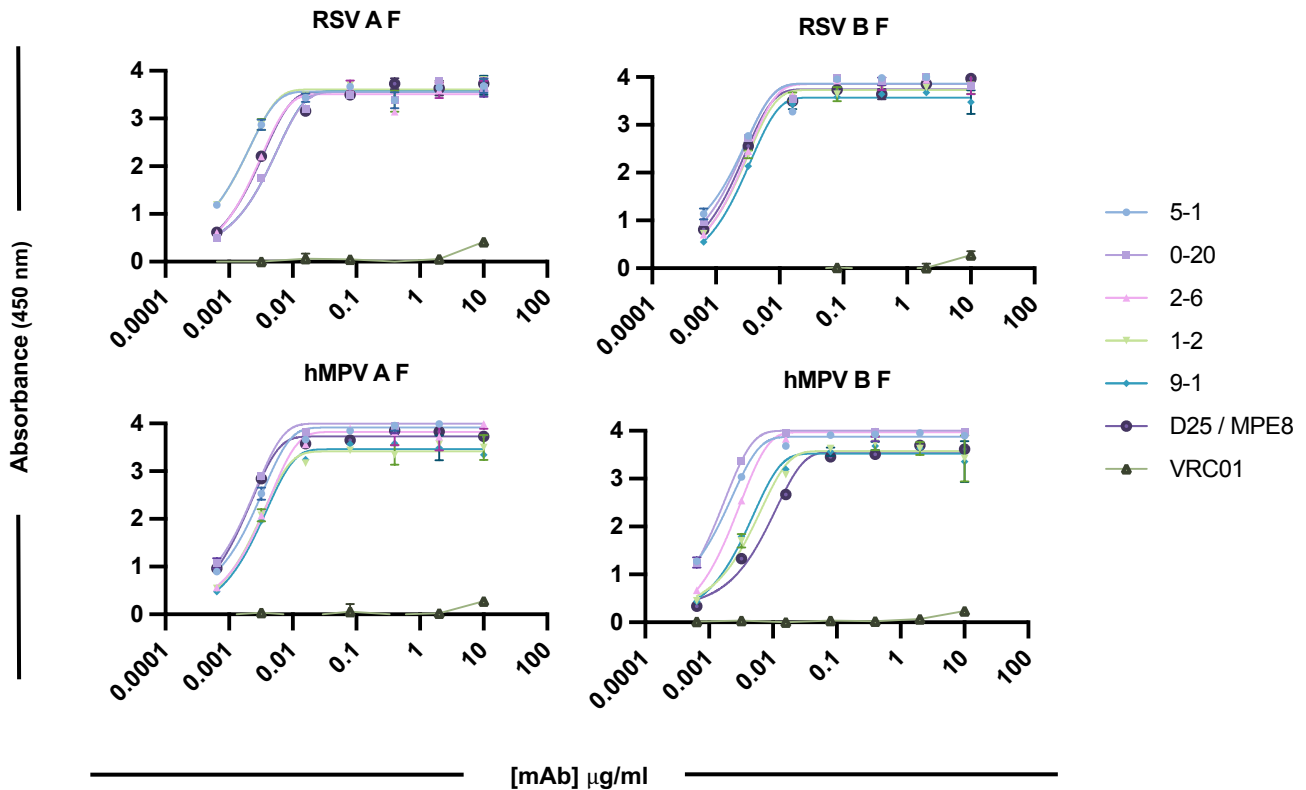
B: Sequence characteristics of RSV/hMPV cross-reactive antibodies. Percent identity is calculated at the nucleotide level and sequences and VDJ/VJ length are displayed at the amino acid level.

C: ELISA binding of recombinantly produced antibodies against RSV and hMPV prefusion F trimer, calculated as absorbance at 450 nm. Experiments were performed in technical and biological duplicate.

B

mAb	Native Isotype	VH Gene	VH % Identity	CDRH3	CDRH3 Length	VL Gene	VL % Identity	CDRL3	CDRL3 Length
0-20	IGHG1	IGHV3-11	87.5	ARGNNLFDDRGLFDH	15	IGLV3-21	89.47	QVRDTGTFQHV	11
5-1	IGHA1	IGHV1-18	88.89	ARGPCCSSRPYDI	14	IGKV1-5	94.2	QQCYTYSQT	9
2-6	IGHG2	IGHV3-11	93.4	ARISYTSSTGPFYFDS	15	IGLV1-40	97.22	QSYDRSLSGYV	11
9-1	IGHG1	IGHV3-21	89.58	ARDSGQQLDPFDY	13	IGLV1-40	94.79	QSYDKRFLGWV	11
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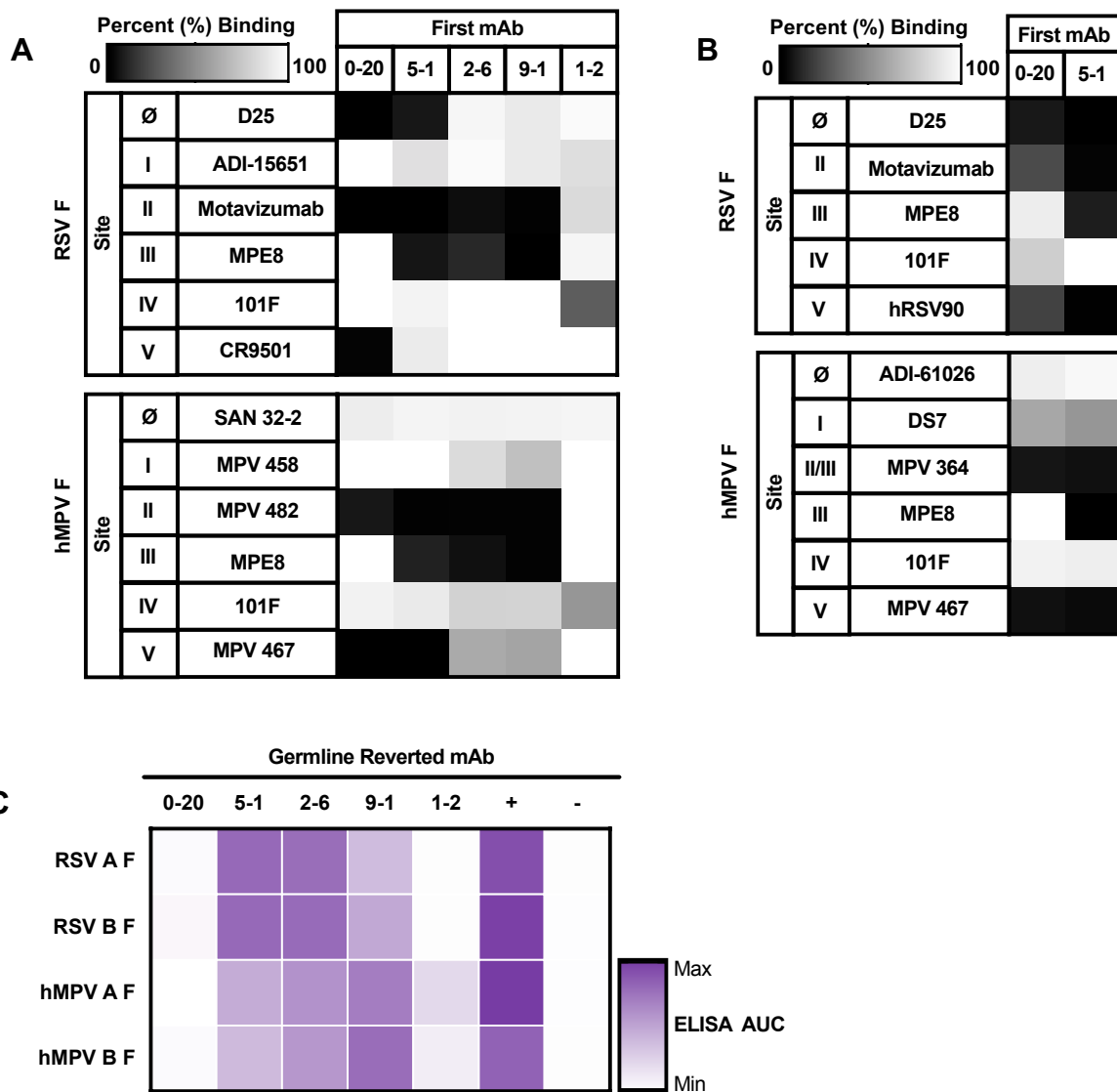


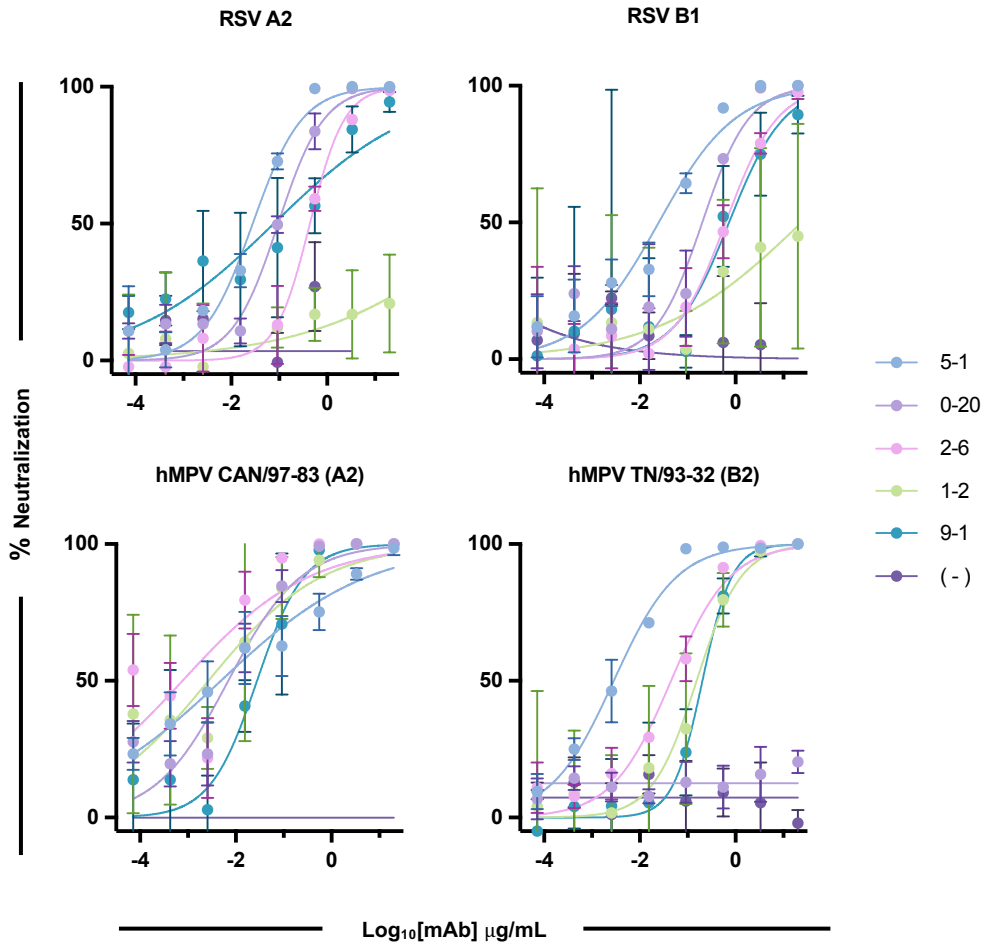
Figure 2: Binding characteristics of RSV/hMPV cross-reactive mAbs

A: Antibody-antibody competition binding to RSV and hMPV prefusion F trimer against control site specific antibodies. Percentage of binding of biotinylated antibody is shown as a heatmap from 0% (black) to 100% (white). Non-biotinylated competitor antibodies were coated first, and then biotinylated control mAbs were added to detect competition. Competition is calculated as the signal obtained for binding of the biotin-labelled reference antibody in the presence of the unlabeled antibody, expressed as a percentage of the binding of the reference antibody alone.

B: Epitope binning via BLI for binding of mAbs 20 and 5-1 to RSV and hMPV prefusion F trimer. Data indicate the percent binding of the second antibody in the presence of the first antibody, as compared to the second antibody alone. Percentage of binding is shown as a heatmap from 0% (black) to 100% (white).

C: ELISA binding of germline reverted, recombinantly produced antibodies against RSV A and B and hMPV A and B prefusion F trimer, calculated as absorbance at 450 nm. ELISA area under the curve (AUC) shown as a heatmap from minimum (white) to maximum binding (purple).

A



B

	mAb						IC ₅₀
	0-20	5-1	2-6	9-1	1-2	-	
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RSV B1	0.2021	0.0248	0.6222	0.7328	>	>	
hMPV 97-83 (A2)	0.0070	0.0049	0.0008	0.0278	0.0027	>	
hMPV TN/93-32 (B2)	>	0.0029	0.0449	0.2036	0.1539	>	

Figure 3: Neutralization potency of RSV/hMPV cross-reactive mAbs.

A: Antibody neutralization against RSV A2, RSV B1, hMPV A2, and hMPV B2 via PRNT.

B: IC₅₀ values, expressed as a heatmap with strong neutralization (<0.1 µg/mL) shown in purple and weak/non neutralizing (>10 µg/mL) shown in light purple. Calculated by non-linear regression analysis by GraphPad Prism software. Neutralization assays were performed in technical triplicate; data are represented as mean ± SD.

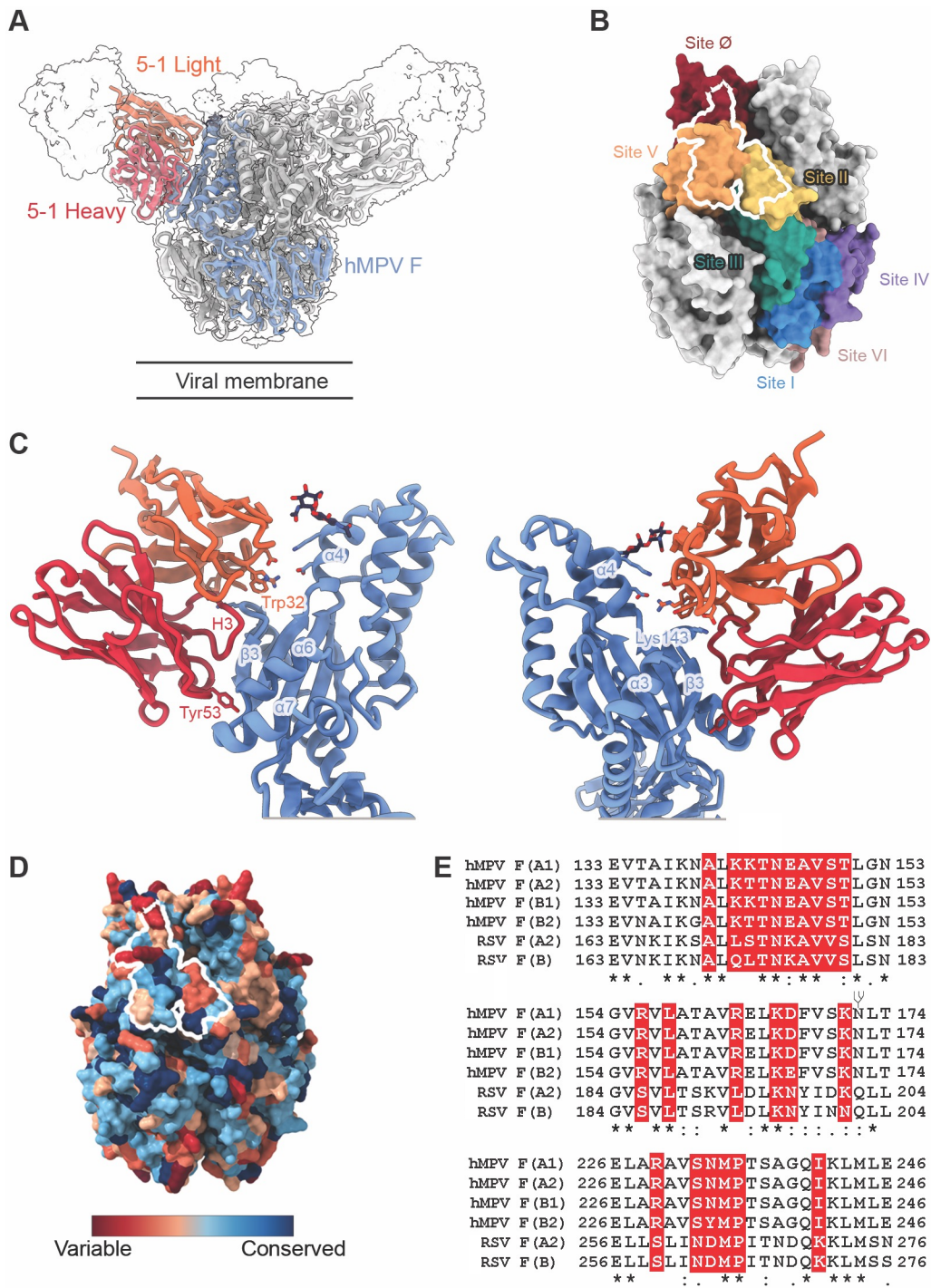


Figure 4: 5-1 Fab binds to the prefusion hMPV F at site II, V and the glycan at Asn172.

A: Front view and side view of the fit of hMPV F complex into a DeepEMhanced EM map at the contour level of 0.432. The global DeepEMhanced EM map was shown as a white transparent map with a single hMPV F protomer and Fab variable domain colored (hMPV F, blue; heavy chain variable domain, red; light chain variable domain, orange).

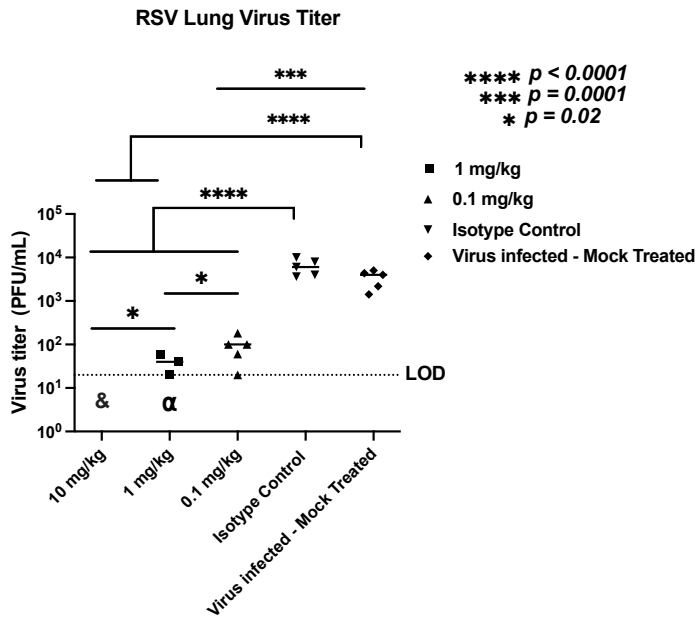
B: Overlay of the 5-1 epitope onto the defined antigenic sites of hMPV F revealing that 5-1 primarily interacts with residues in site II and V, with additional contacts within site Ø.

C: Atomic model of 5-1 and hMPV F interface with key residues highlighted as sticks. 5-1 and one hMPV F protomer are shown as cartoons. Oxygen atoms are colored red and Nitrogen atoms are colored blue. Partially modeled Asn-172 glycan is shown as deep color sticks.

D: Sequence conservation of the 5-1 epitope between hMPV F and RSV F with the epitope of 5-1 delineated in white.

E: Sequence alignment of the 5-1 epitope with four representative hMPV F sequences from A1, A2, B1, B2 subgroup and two representative RSV sequences from A2 and B subgroup. The conservation of each residue is described underneath and the 5-1 interacting residues are highlighted in red. The glycosylation site at Asn-172 is shown as a branch.

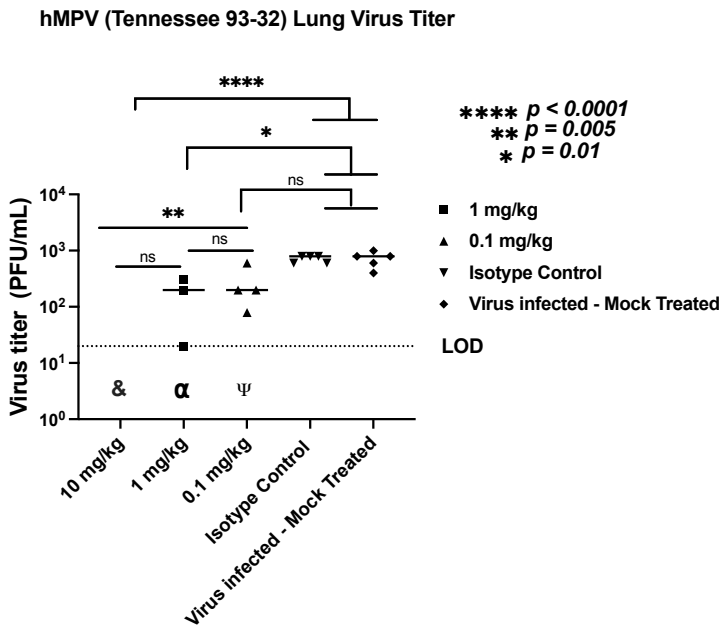
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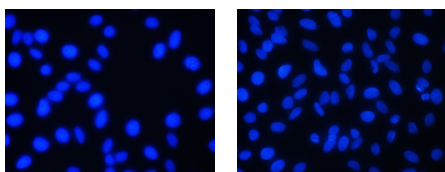
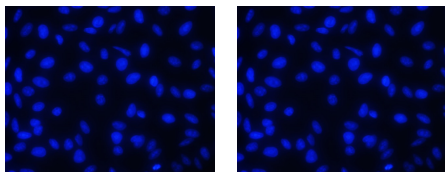
Figure 5: 5-1 Prophylaxis of 5-1 against RSV and hMPV challenge.

Protective efficacy of 5-1 against A) RSV and B) hMPV replication *in vivo*. BALB/c mice were treated intraperitoneally with 10 mg/kg, 1 mg/kg, and 0.1 mg/kg of mAb 5-1 6h prior to intranasal RSV and hMPV infection. Viral titers in the lung homogenates of BALB/c mice in each treatment group (n = 5 mice per group, 5 females) were determined by plaque assay. n.s., not significant, Limit of detection (LOD) is indicated with a dashed line.

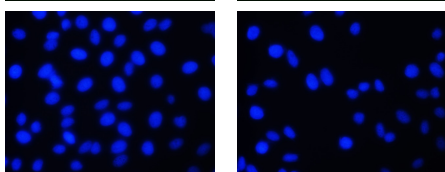
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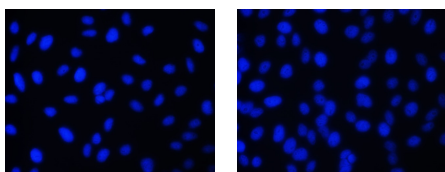
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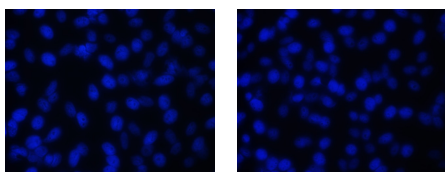
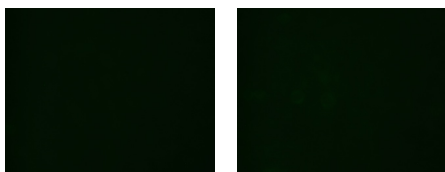
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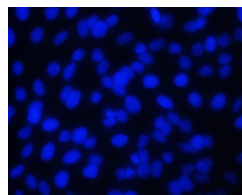
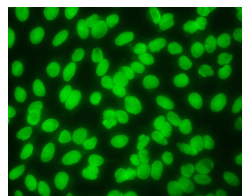


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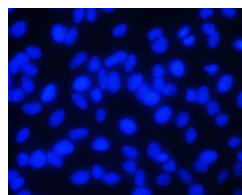


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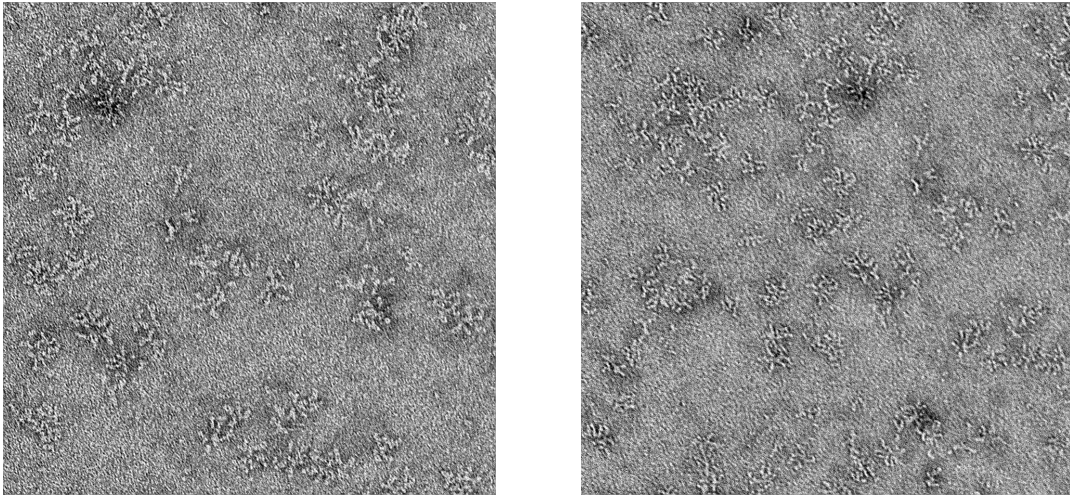


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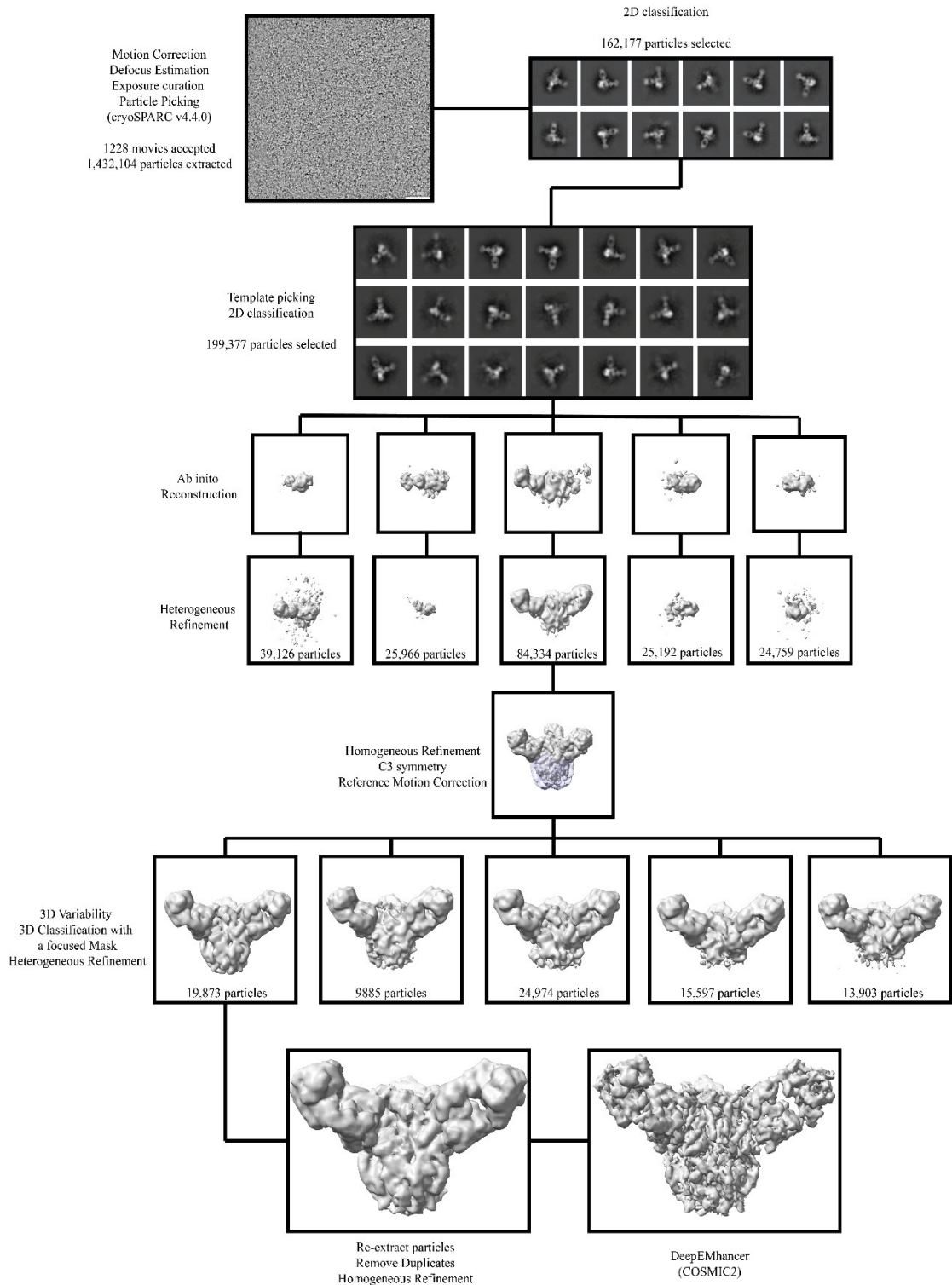
Supplementary Figure 1: mAb binding to HEP2 Cells

Images of representative mAbs staining of HEP-2 cells. Indirect immunofluorescence assay testing reactivity of RSV/hMPV mAbs in HEP-2 cells. Each mAb was tested at 1 and 10 $\mu\text{g/mL}$. Positivity scores were determined relative to positive (ANA+ human serum) and negative (ANA – human serum) controls. DAPI staining (blue) was used to visualize nuclear DNA, goat anti-human Ig-FITC (green) staining notes Hep-2 cell reactivity. For all images, brightness was set to 150 and contrast was set to 100 using Photoshop.



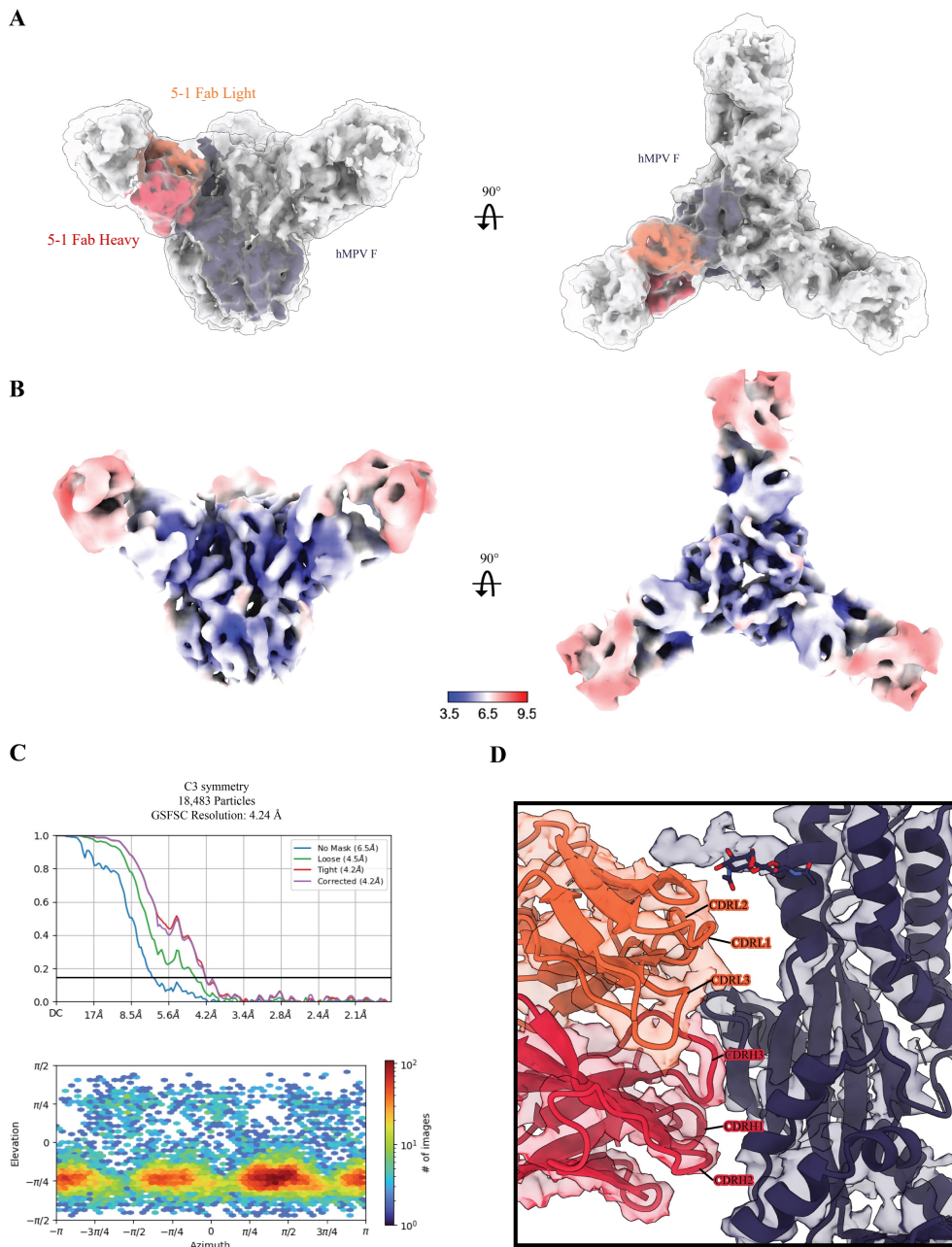
Supplementary Figure 2: 5-1 fab binding to DS-Cav1

DS-Cav1 complexed with 5-1 at 10 $\mu\text{g/ml}$. Left at 30 nm, right at 50 nm



Supplementary Figure 3: hMPV F and 5-1 Fab cryoEM dataset processing workflow

Representative micrographs, EM maps, computational programs and softwares from each step of the workflow are shown and labeled. The mask used for 3D classification is shown as a transparent purple surface.



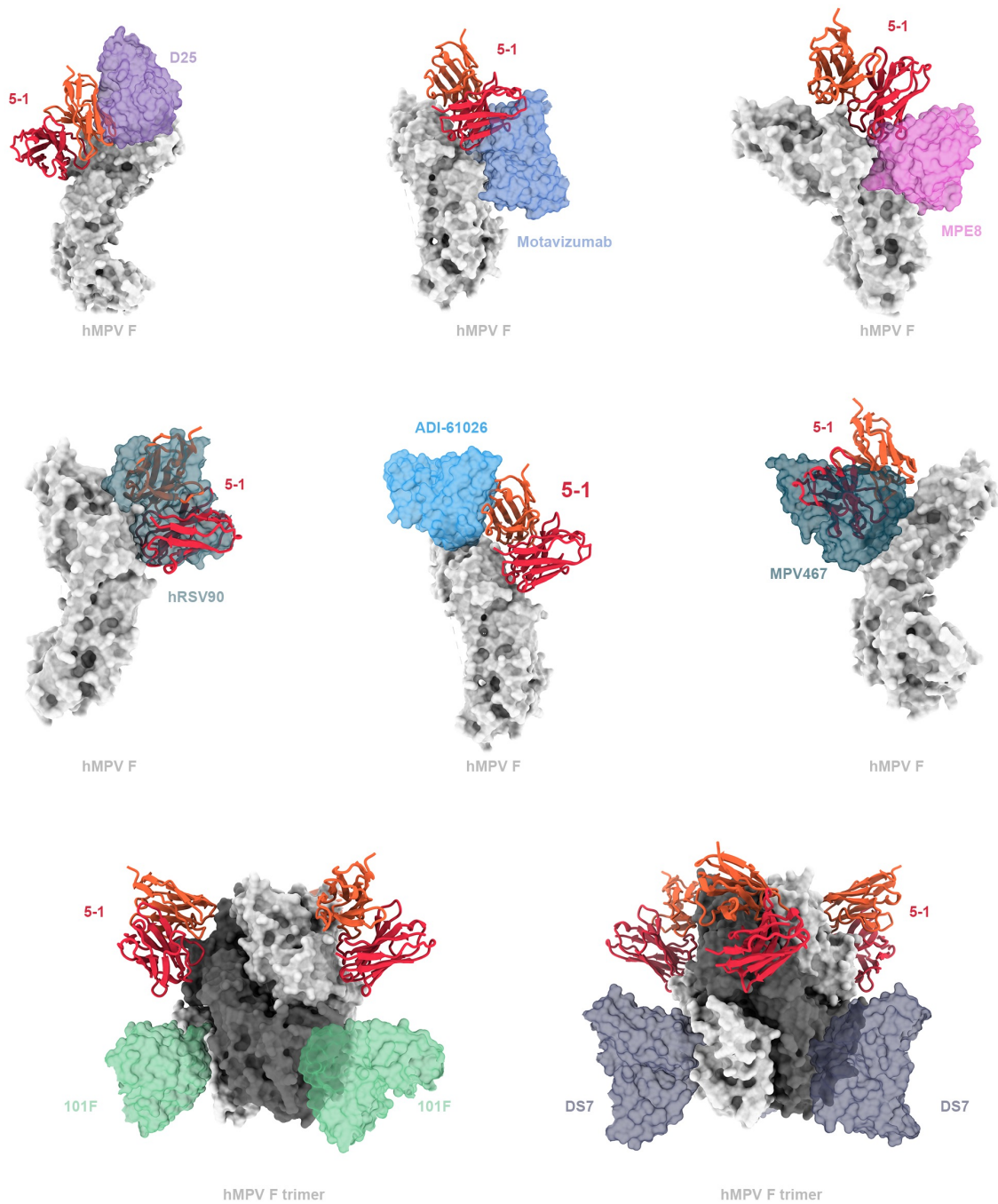
Supplementary Figure 4: Validation of the obtained hMPV F EM map

A: Fitting of the DeepEMhanced EM map into the raw, unsharpened EM map. The raw, unsharpened EM map is shown as a transparent surface at the threshold of 0.0658. The DeepEMhanced EM map is shown as an opaque surface at the threshold of 0.431 with an individual hMPV F and Fab variable domain colored as indicated.

B: The surface of the raw unsharpened EM map was colored by local resolution at the threshold of 0.026.

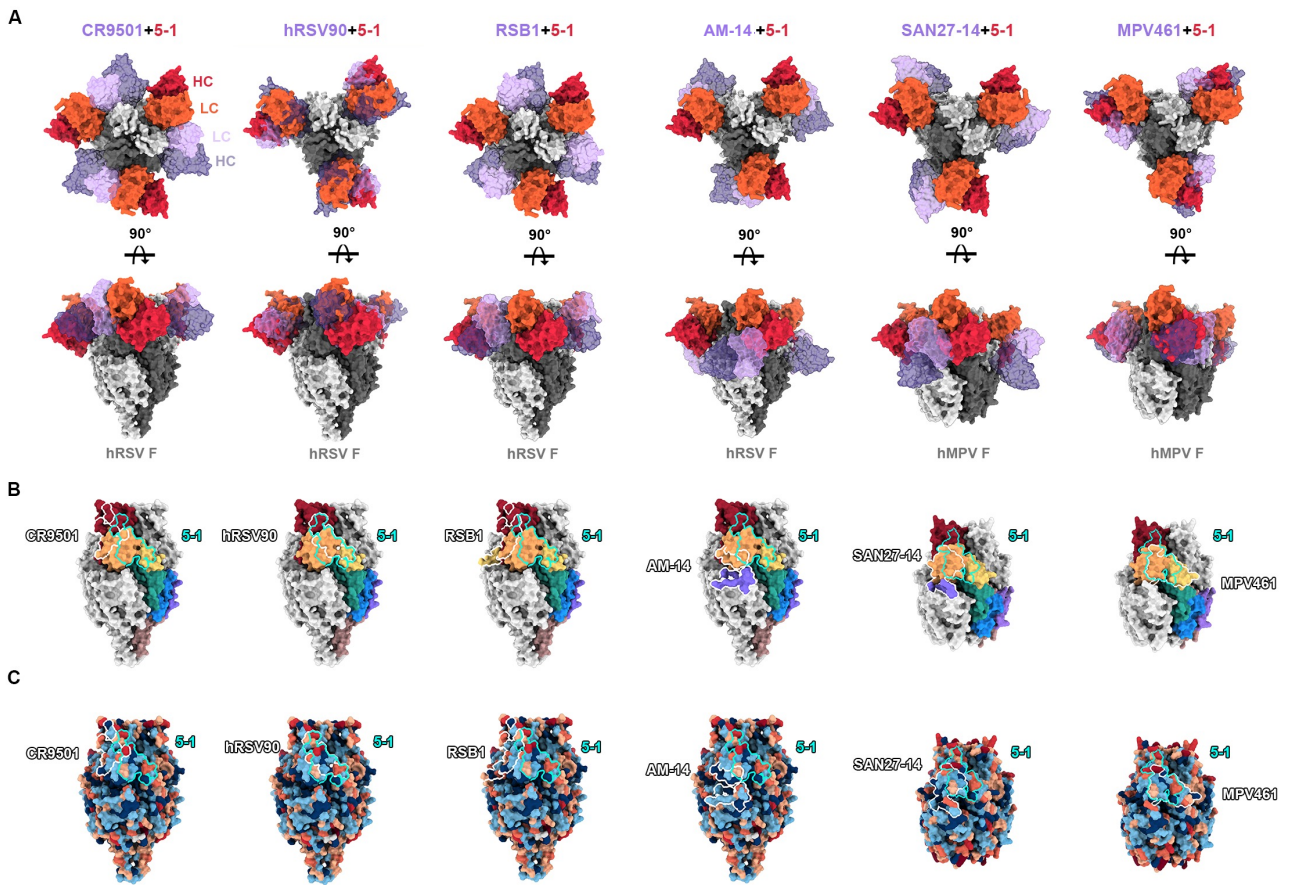
C: FSC curves and particle orientation distribution for the EM map from the final homogeneous refinement step. Top, FSC curves; Bottom, particle orientation distribution. Horizontal line in FSC curves corresponds to an FSC value of 0.143.

D: The binding interface between hMPV F-DsCavEs2-IPDS and 5-1 Fab. CryoEM map was shown as a transparent surface with the model fitted and colored.



Supplementary Figure 5: Steric clashes between 5-1 and site-specific antibodies

5-1 shows significant clashes with competing antibodies and little to no steric clashing with non-competing antibodies from figure 2. Selected antibodies are shown as transparent surface and 5-1 is shown as cartoon with the light and heavy chain colored as orange and red, respectively. 101 F and DS7 are modeled onto hMPV F trimers because of their close distance on native protomers.

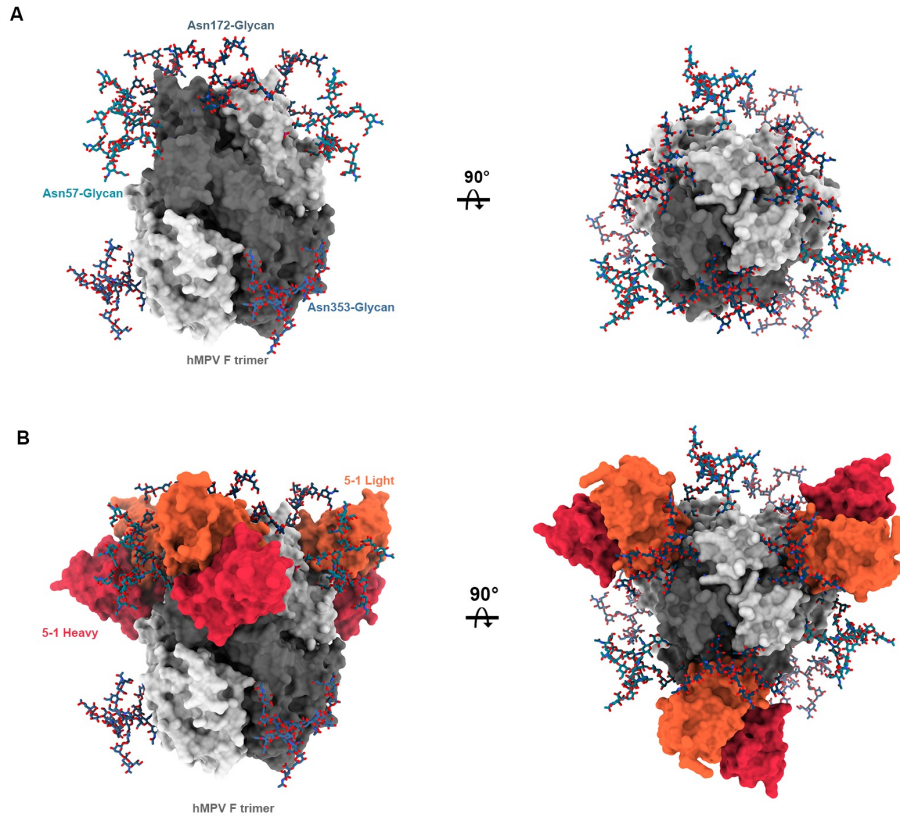


Supplementary Figure 6: Binding poses and epitope conservation of antibodies binding site V

A: Modelling of site V antibodies with 5-1 Fab shows different binding poses on hMPV F. The quaternary antibody AM-14 was included for completeness. 5-1 is shown as opaque surface with the light and heavy chains colored as orange and red, respectively. Selected antibodies are modelled as transparent surface with the light and heavy chains colored as lavender and purple, respectively.

B. Antigenic footprints of 5-1 and site V antibodies target different epitopes inside site V and often bind residues beyond site V.

C. Comparison of epitopes based on sequence conservation reveals that sequence conservation did not solely determine the cross-neutralization properties of antibodies.



Supplementary Figure 7: N-linked glycans and 5-1 Fab binding

A: Front view (left) and top view (right) of the N-linked complex glycans on hMPV F trimers. Glycans shown as ticks.

B. Fit of the 5-1 Fab onto the modeled hMPV F trimers shows the light chain of 5-1 inserts into the cleft between Asn57-glycan and Asn172-glycan without clashes with Asn172-Glycan.

EM data collection

EMDB	45412
Microscope	Glacios
Voltage (kV)	200
Detector	Falcon 4
Magnification (nominal)	150,000
Pixel size (Å/pixl)	0.94
Exposure rate (e-/pixel/sec)	3.26
Exposure (e-/Å ²)	48.64
Defocus range (µm)	1.0-2.5
Tilt angle (°)	50
Movies collected	3,538
Movies used	1,228
Particles extracted (total)	1,432,104
Automation software	SerialEM
Sample	hMPV F+5-1 Fab

3D reconstruction statistics

Particles	19,873
Symmetry	C3
Map sharpening B factor	-140.1
Unmasked resolution at 0.5 FSC (Å)	8.6
Masked resolution at 0.5 FSC (Å)	7.0
Unmasked resolution at 0.143 FSC (Å)	6.5
Masked resolution at 0.143 FSC (Å)	4.2

Model refinement and validation statistics

PDB ID	9CB1
Refinement package	Phenix, Isolde, Coot, CCP4, Privateer
Refinement tools	Real space refinement
Refinement strategies	min global, adp
Composition	
Amino acids	1968
Glycan	6
RMSD bonds (Å)	0.005
RMSD angles (°)	0.86
Average B factors	
Amino acids	172.4
Ramachandran	
Favored (%)	96.49
Allowed (%)	3.36
Outliers (%)	0.16
Rotamer outliers (%)	0.78
Clash score	6.8
C-beta outliers (%)	NA
CaBLM outliers (%)	2.58
0.5 FSC models (Å)	4.4
CC (mask)	0.70
MolProbity score	1.61
EMRinger score	1.30

Supplementary Table 1: Cryo-EM data collection and reconstruction statistics.