The TB Vaccine Landscape: Accelerating Impact

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Design strategically to accelerate impact



The first >100 years of TB vaccination



Ongoing TB mortality despite BCG

>1 million deaths/year





Global Tuberculosis Report 2023; Sohby Int J. Obs Gyn 2017

Introduction of new TB vaccine candidates



TB Vaccine Indications and Endpoints

Prophylactic

Post-exposure

Mtb infection (IGRA+)

Household contacts

Therapeutic

No Mtb infection (IGRA-)



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• TB disease



Prevent Mtb infection (POI)

Prevent TB disease (POD) Prevent TB Disease (PoD)

Shorten Treatment (Rx) Prevent Recurrence (PoR)



WHO TB Vaccine Target Populations

PRIORITY



WHO Evidence Considerations for Vaccine Policy Development for Tuberculosis Vaccines Intended for Adults and Adolescents



Safe, effective (>50% POD) and affordable



TB Vaccine Candidates in Late-Stage Development





- M72/AS01_E
- ID93+GLA-SE



- BCG Revax
- VPM1002
- MTBVAC







- M72: Two Mtb antigens
 - -Mtb39a
 - Mtb 32a
- Adjuvant AS01_E
 - Monophosphoryl Lipid A (MPL)
 - **Q**uillaja **s**aponaria (QS-21)
- 2 doses, 1 month apart







M72/AS01_E prevents TB in IGRA+ adults

- Phase 2b, Africa
- Age 18-50 years, HIV-, IGRA+
- N=3,575
- Phase 3, Africa + SE Asia
- Age. 15-44 years, HIV-/+, IGRA-/+
- N=26,000
- 2024-2028 (Gates) (NCT06062238)



Van der Meeren NEJM 2018; Tait NEJM 2019



ID93 and GLA-SE

ID93: Four Mtb antigens

-Virulence (3) Rv3619, Rv3620, Rv2608

– Latency (1) Rv1813

Synthetic Adjuvant

- Glucopyranosyl Lipid A Stable Emulsion
- TLR4 agonist in oil-in-water emulsion





Bertholet Sci Trans Med 2010; Misquith Colloids and Surfaces 2014

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ID93/GLA-SE is safe and elicits robust CD4 immunogenicity after 2 doses

- Phase 1, South Africa
- Age 18-50 years, HIV- ,IGRA-/+
- N=66
- 3 IM doses (d0, d28, d112)
- Higher AE frequency IGRA+
 - Injection site pain 100% vs 60%, p=0..02
 - Mild flu-like symptoms
- Phase 2b/3, SE Asia
- Age. 14-45 years, HIV-, IGRA-/+
- N=>9,000
- 2024-2029 (?) (Quratis)



- Cohort 1: 10ug/2ug (IGRA-)
- Cohort 2: 2ug/2ug
- Cohort 3: 10ug/2ug
- Cohort 4: 10ug/5ug



Penn-Nicholson Lancet Resp Med 2018

BCG Revaccination prevents sustained Mtb infection

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Prevention of *M. tuberculosis* Infection with H4:IC31 Vaccine or BCG Revaccination

- Phase 2 HIV-, IGRA- South Africa
- Age 12-17 years

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• N=330/arm (Aeras)



Tuberculosis: The Host-Pathogen Interface

March 24-27, 2024 | Keystone Resort, Keystone, CO, United States Scientific Organizers: Marcel A. Behr, Lalita Ramakrishnan and Kevin B. Urdahl

- Phase 2b HIV-, IGRA- South Africa
- Age 10-18 years
- N=900/arm
- 2019-2025 (Gates MRI)

BCG revaccination did not prevent sustained QFT conversion compared to placebo over 42 weeks follow-up (7.1 vs 6.9%)

Nemes NEJM 2018; Schmidt Keystone Symposia 2024



M. bovis whole cell vaccines: a story to unfold



POI ≠ POD

- Phase 3 POD, India
- Household contacts, age 6-18y
- N=9,200 (BCG vs TPT)
- 2024-2027 (SII)

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NCT05330884

- Programmatic Roll-out, India
- High-risk individuals
 - *>50 years*
 - Underweight
 - Diabetes
 - EtOH/smoking

• February 2024 - present (NIRT)





8-10 October 2024 Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Driving innovation from discovery to access

Phase 2b POR, India Adults 18-65y N=2,000 (VPM1002 vs Placebo) 2019 – 2023 (SII)

NCT03152903

Phase 3 POD, India Household contacts, age 6-99y N= 12,721 (VPM1002 vs MIP) 2019 – 2023 (ICMR)

CTRI/2019/01/017026





- MTBVAC retains ~25% Mtb T cell epitopes absent in BCG
- Preclinical mouse studies: survival in SCID; ↑ protection vs BCG





MTBVAC safe and elicits high CD4 responses in infants

- Phase I South African infants (N=36)
- No related SAEs

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- Similar reactogenicity MTBVAC vs BCG
- Higher CD4 responses up to 1-year MTBVAC vs BCG
- IGRA conversion in MTBVAC recipients
 - dose-related [7/9 (78%) high-dose] 2.5 x 10⁵ CFU
 - Phase 3 POD
 - N=7120 infants, South Africa
 - 2022 2029 (Biofabri) (NCT04975178)
 - Phase 2b POD
 - 14-45 years HIV-, IGRA+
 - N= 4,300
 - 2025-2029 (Biofabri/IAVI)



Tameris & Mearns et al, Lancet Respir Med 2019





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Prolonged time to endpoints





Immune correlates of protection unknown

EXPERT INSIGHT

The quest for vaccine-induced immune correlates of protection against tuberculosis

Elisa Nemes, Andrew Fiore-Gartland, Cesar Boggiano, Margherita Coccia, Patricia D'Souza, Peter Gilbert, Ann Ginsberg, Ollivier Hyrien, Dominick Laddy, Karen Makar, M. Juliana McElrath, Lakshmi Ramachandra, Alexander C. Schmidt, Solmaz Shotorbani, Justine Sunshine, Georgia Tomaras, Wen-Han Yu, Thomas J. Scriba, Nicole Frahm; the BCG Correlates PIs Study Team & the M72 Correlates PIs Study Team



Mtb infection: • BCG REVAX

TB disease:

• M72/ASO1_E 2b

Biobanking samples is critical for future immune correlate discovery and immunobridging to special populations



Prior immunity modifies vaccine response; differential effect by vaccine type



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Study Day

Whole cell vaccines

 \uparrow NTM exposure, age \downarrow VE



Overall VE 12% (-2-24%) +Prior BCG: Age <11 Salvador (\ NTM) POD VE 33% (3-54%) No prior BCG: POD VE 25% (3-43%)

Baretto Vaccine 2011; Pereira Lancet ID 2012

Penn-Nicholson Vaccine 2015

Global TB vaccine funding is inadequate

TB Vaccination is Essential to End TB

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Young and Dye Cell 2006; TAG and StopTB Partnership Global Tuberculosis Funding Trends 2022



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Apply Lessons Learned from COVID: Streamline



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| FIO1 | OPERATION WARP SPEED ACCELERATED VACCINE PROCESS | R&I |
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D + Preclinical Trials Vaccine Candidate/s Identified ise I Clinical Trials

Phase II Clinical Trials Phase III Clinical Trials

Manufacturing Distribution



Adaptive clinical trial design

- Overlapping phases
- Phase 1-3 single protocol (Pfizer)
- Flexibility: ongoing case detections post unblinding



Eliminate inequities in evidence

INSUFFICIENT DATA

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Age 12-14 Pre-adolescents PLWHIV

EXCLUDED from all current TB vaccine trials



Pregnant Lactating





Align Evidence with Public Health Impact

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Knight PNAS 2014

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Pre-licensure phase 2 studies are critical to avoid delayed vaccine roll-out in target populations

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Risk Tolerance: Pre- vs Post-Licensure inclusion of special populations









- Adaptive clinical trial design
- Eliminate inequity in evidence
- Align evidence with public health impact



Thank You

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The entire IMPAACT2035/HVTN604 Study Team



Photo credit: PATH









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Additional Slides



| Table 1: Current Phase 2b/3 Whole Cell TB Vaccine Trials | | | | | | | |
|---|---------|---------|---------------------|--------|-----------------------|--|--|
| Trial/Sponsor | Phase/ | Other | Study Population | Ν | Timeline | | |
| | Outcome | arm(s) | | | | | |
| MTBVAC | | | | | | | |
| NCT04975178 | 3 | BCG | Newborns | 7,120 | 09/2022 - 09/2029 | | |
| Biofabri/IAVI | POD | | HIV-/HIV-exposed | | | | |
| | | | South Africa | | | | |
| NCT06272812 | 2b | Placebo | 14-45 years | 4,300 | 09/2024 - 03/2028 | | |
| Biofabri/IAVI | POD | | *HIV–, IGRA+ | | | | |
| | | | South Africa, TBD | | | | |
| VPM1002 | _ | - | | | | | |
| NCT03152903 | 2b | Placebo | 18-65 years | 2,000 | 02/2017 - 02/2024 | | |
| SII | POR | | HIV–, <u>Hx</u> TB | | Results expected 2024 | | |
| CTRI/2019/01/01 | 3 | MIP | HHC age >6 years | 12,721 | 01/2019 - 2023 | | |
| 7026 | POD | | HIV- | | Results expected 2024 | | |
| ICMR | | | India | | | | |
| NCT04351685 | 3 | BCG | Newborns | 6,940 | 11/2020 - 11/2025 | | |
| SII | POI | | HIV-/HIV-exposed | | [*2028?] | | |
| | | | Multi-center Africa | | | | |
| BCG | | | | | | | |
| NCT05330884 | 3 | TPT | HHC age 6-18 yrs | 9,200 | 07/2024 - 06/2027 | | |
| ICMR | POD | | HIV- India | | | | |
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| POD= Prevention of Disease; POI=Prevention of Infection; POR=Prevention of Recurrence; | | | | | | | |
| HHC=Household contact; TPT=Tuberculosis preventive therapy; *Need to clarify with trial sponsor | | | | | | | |

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| VPM1002/MIP (3) |
|-----------------|
| 2017 - 2024 |
| 6-99 years |
| India, HIV- HHC |
| N=12,721 |
| (SII) |
| |

| (SII) | | M72 | /ASO1E (3) | | ID93/GLA-SE (2b/3) |
|--------------|----------------|---------|--------------|--|--------------------|
| GamTBVac (3) | | 20 | 2024 – 2028 | | 2025 – 2029 (?) |
| 2022 - 2025 | | 15 | 15-44 years | | 14-45 years |
| 18-45 years | | SS | SSA, SE Asia | | SE Asia |
| Russia, HIV- | | Ν | N=26,000 | | N=9,000 |
| N=7,180 | | | (Gates) | | (Quratis) |
| | BCG Revacc (3) | | | | MTBVAC (2b) |
| | 202 | 4-2027 | | | 2025 - 2029 |
| | 6-18 | 3 years | | | 14-45 years |
| | India, HIV- | | | | SA, HIV-, IGRA+ |
| | N= | 9,200 | 0 | | N=4,300 |
| | (ICMR) | | | | (Biofabri/IAVI) |

Safety: TB Vaccination during Lactation



No theoretical safety concerns

- Case report of intravesicular BCG during lactation, no AEs Barbur Immunother 2022
- Preclinical studies demonstrate safety of BCG in lactation Williams Heliyon 2022
- Infants immunized with BCG at birth
- No licensed vaccines (live/inactivated) contraindicated during lactation*

*Except YFV



Enhance Infant Mucosal Immunity (?)

- Mtb-specific IgA
 - Inhibit epithelial cell Mtb infection in vitro
 - Protect from Mtb infection + TB disease in NHP

Zimmerman EMBO Mol Med. 2016 • Dijkman Nat Med 2019

Cranmer (PI) K23AI143479 BM Humoral Mtb CoP in progress

17 NovTBS-EP05-08 Breast milk is enriched with functional anti-mycobacterial antibodies that decline over time10:05Lisa Marie Cranmer05m • Salle Maillot 5