

T-cell receptor sequencing identifies prior SARS-CoV-2 infection and correlates with neutralizing antibodies and disease severity

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Supplemental Materials

Supplemental Tables

Supplemental Table 1. Longitudinal sensitivity of the T-Cell, EUROIMMUN, and Abbott ARCHITECT tests by time from symptom onset.

Days From Symptom Onset	T-Cell Test		EUROIMMUN (anti-S1 IgG)		Abbott ARCHITECT (anti-NP IgG)	
	Sensitivity	95% CI	Sensitivity	95% CI	Sensitivity	95% CI
All samples^A	317/357 (88.8%)	85.1–91.9	297/357 (83.2%)	79.0–86.8	300/357 (84.0%)	79.8–87.7
29–50	60/70 (85.7%)	77.1–92.9	57/70 (81.4%)	71.4–90.0	59/70 (84.3%)	75.7–91.4
51–100	154/170 (90.6%)	85.9–94.7	145/170 (85.3%)	80.0–90.6	146/170 (88.8%)	83.5–93.5
101–150	84/97 (86.6%)	79.4–92.8	81/97 (83.5%)	76.3–90.7	80/97 (82.5%)	75.3–89.7
150–190^B	19/20 (95%)	85.0–100	14/20 (70%)	50.0–90.0	10/20 (50%)	30.0–70.0

^A $P=0.01$, T-cell test vs EUROIMMUN or Abbott ARCHITECT by mid-p McNemar's test.

^B $P<0.03$, T-cell test vs EUROIMMUN or Abbott ARCHITECT by mid-p McNemar's test.

NP, nucleoprotein; S1, spike protein subunit 1.

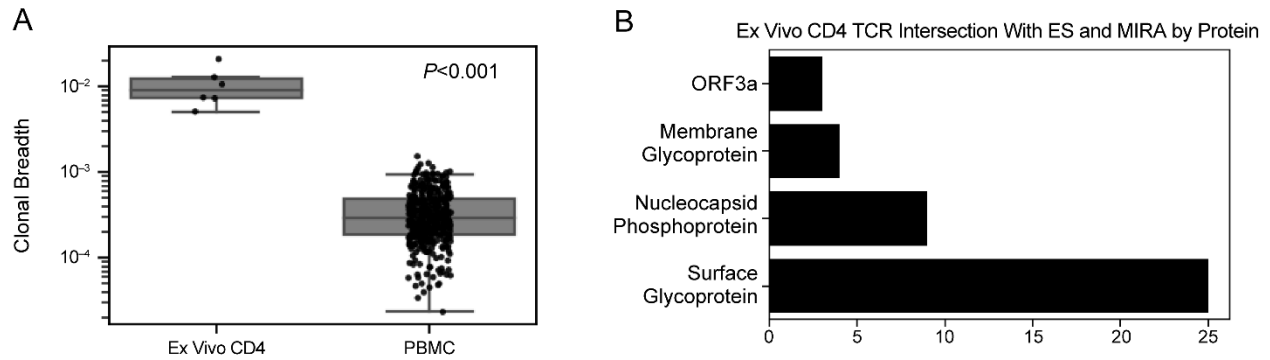
Supplemental Table 2. Longitudinal sensitivity of the T-cell, EUROIMMUN, and Abbott ARCHITECT tests for hospitalized and non-hospitalized patients.

Days From Symptom Onset	T-Cell Test		EUROIMMUN (anti-S1 IgG)		Abbott ARCHITECT (anti-NP IgG)	
	Hospitalized	Non- Hospitalized	Hospitalized	Non- Hospitalized	Hospitalized	Non- Hospitalized
All samples^A	41/44 (93.2%)	276/313 (88.2%)	44/44 (97.7%)	254/313 (81.2%)	42/45 (95.5%)	257/313 (82.4%)
29–50	3/4 (75%)	57/66 (86.4%)	4/4 (100%)	53/66 (80.3%)	4/4 (100%)	55/66 (83.3%)
51–100	16/17 (94.1%)	138/153 (90.2%)	16/17 (94.1%)	129/153 (84.3%)	16/17 (94.1%)	135/153 (88.2%)
101–150	18/19 (94.7%)	66/78 (84.6%)	19/19 (100%)	62/78 (79.5%)	18/19 (94.7%)	62/78 (79.5%)
150–190	4/4 (100%)	15/16 (93.8%)	4/4 (100%)	10/16 (62.5%)	4/4 (100%)	6/16 (37.5%)

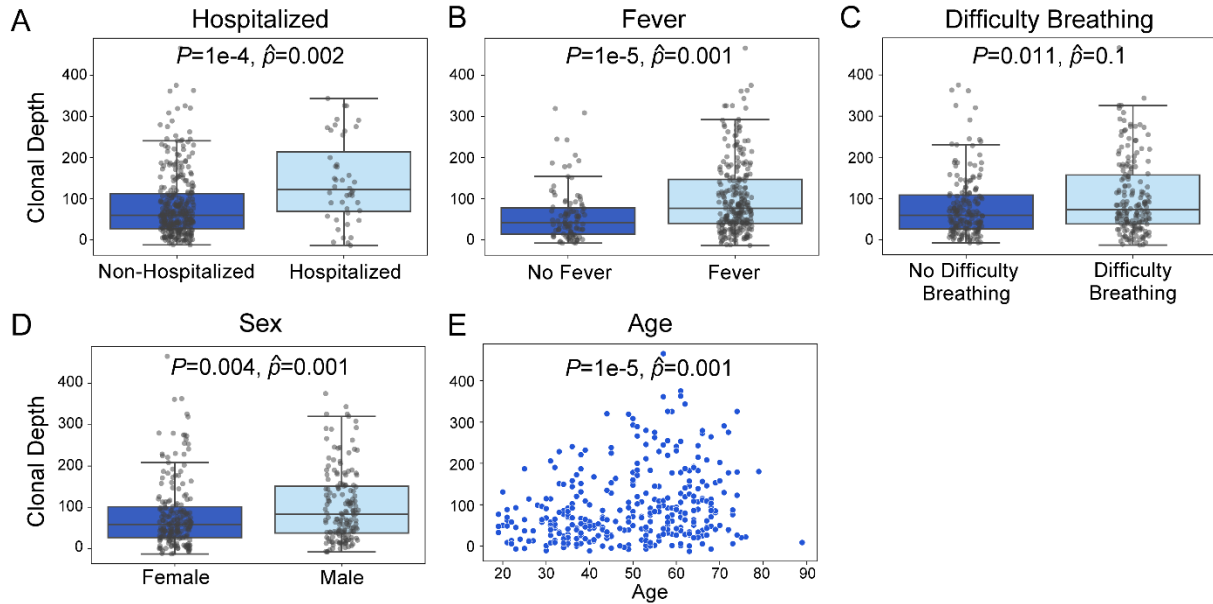
^A $P=0.15$ for hospitalized individuals and $P=0.01$ for non-hospitalized individuals comparing T-cell test vs EUROIMMUN or Abbott ARCHITECT by mid-p McNemar's test.

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Supplemental Figures

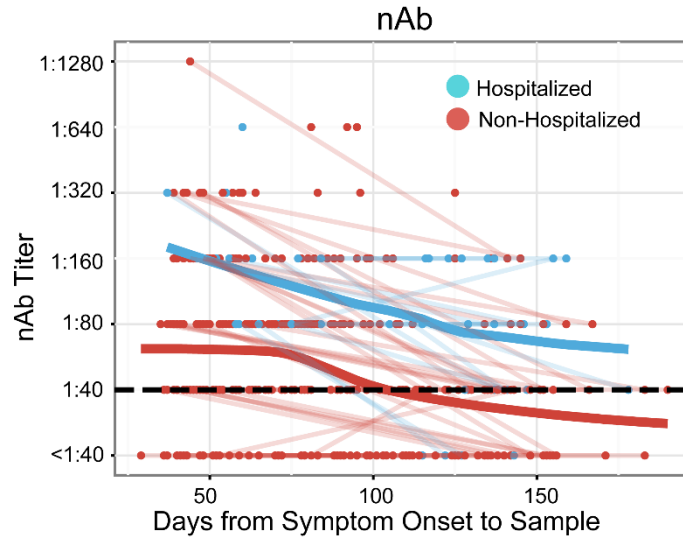


Supplemental Figure 1. Quantification of SARS-CoV-2-specific enhanced sequences and MIRA TCRs in ex vivo AIM-sorted CD4+ T cells. (A) PBMCs from 3 convalescent donors at 2 timepoints were subjected to AIM-based enrichment of SARS-CoV-2-specific T-cells using whole cell-associated viral antigen. Clonal breadth of SARS-CoV-2-specific enhanced sequences was compared between AIM-sorted CD4+ T cells and matched convalescent PBMCs. Significance was evaluated by Mann-Whitney U test. Data are expressed as median \pm interquartile ranges. **(B)** Intersection of SARS-CoV-2-specific TCRs present in ex vivo AIM-sorted CD4+ T-cells and MIRA TCR set, annotated by protein specificity.



Supplemental Figure 2. Association of T-cell clonal depth with clinical variables.

Correlation of clonal depth with (A) hospitalization, (B) fever, (C) difficulty breathing, (D) sex, and (E) age was evaluated by univariate Mann-Whitney U test (p) and multivariate linear regression with age, sex, hospitalization, fever, difficulty breathing, and TCR rearrangements as variables ($\hat{\beta}$). Data are expressed as median \pm interquartile ranges ($n=302$). Population means and 95% confidence interval (CI) values for panels A–E were as follows: (A) Non-hospitalized, 88.3 (97.0-97.8), hospitalized, 168.3 (126.2-210.5); (B) no fever, 63.6 (50.3-76.9, fever, 108.2 (96.3-120.1); (C) no difficulty breathing, 85.6 (73.4-97.8), difficulty breathing, 105.4 (90.5-120.2); (D) female, 85.0 (72.4-97.6), male, 107.6 (93.1–122.1).



Supplemental Figure 3. Neutralizing antibody titer as a function of days from symptom onset to sample collection. Blue and red dots indicate hospitalized and non-hospitalized individuals, respectively. Trend lines connect visit 1 and visit 2 samples from the same individual. Blue and red bold trend lines indicate smoothed means [locally estimated scatterplot smoothing, LOESS (1)] for hospitalized and non-hospitalized individuals ($n=302$), respectively.

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