



# Improving the duration of immunity for FMD vaccines

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# Challenges for FMD control in endemic settings through vaccination

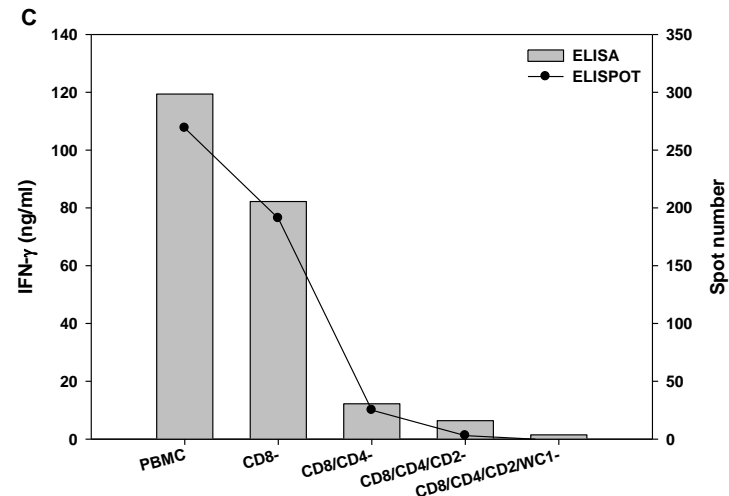
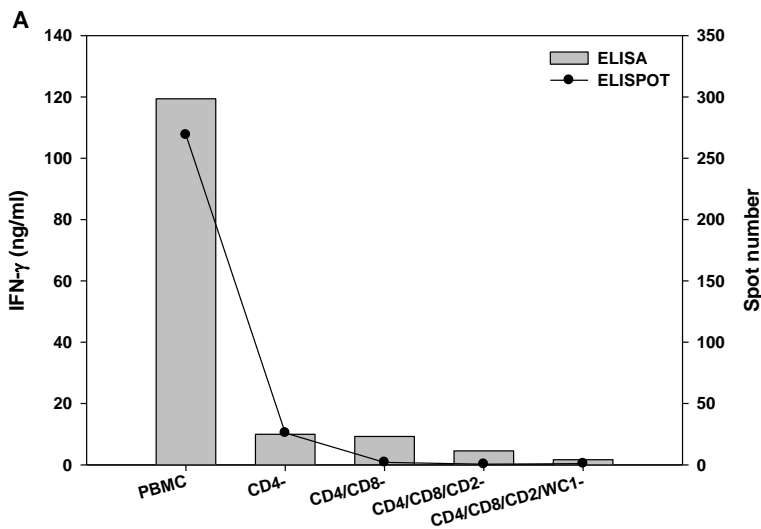
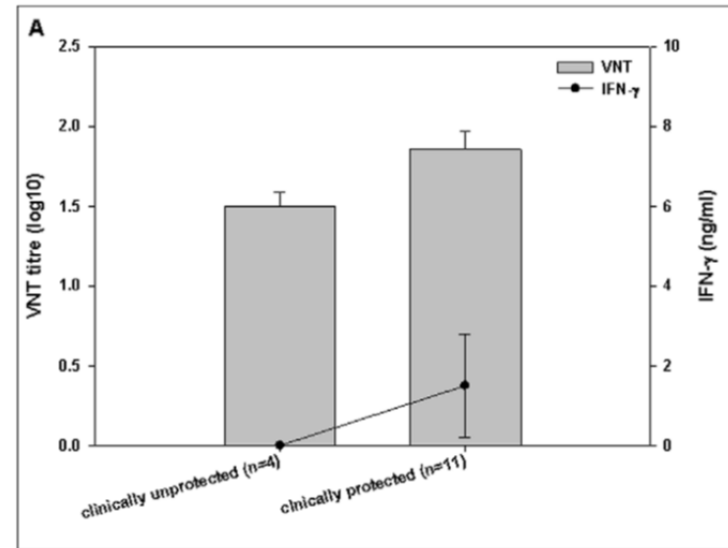
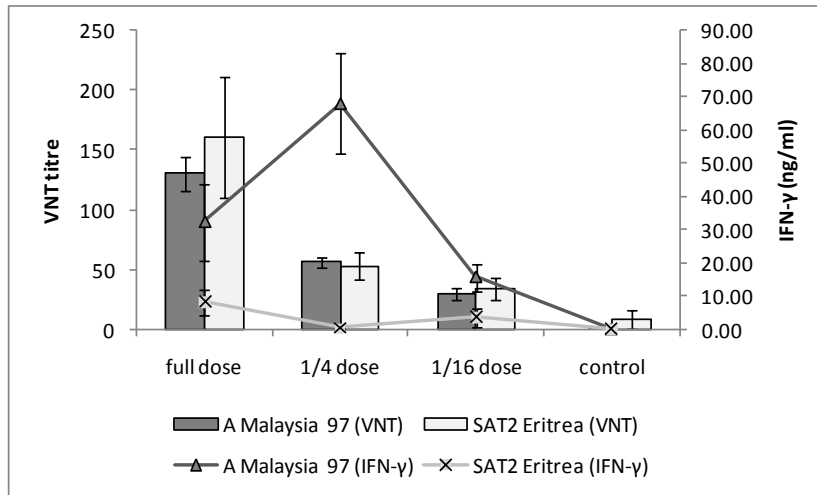
Killed inactivated oil adjuvanted vaccines are in use.

Biannual vaccinations (3 PD50 vaccines) are practised to control the disease in endemic settings

One of the major challenges- short lived immunity (~3 to 4 months max) which allows at least 2 month window for bringing back the disease before 2<sup>nd</sup> vaccination.

Main aim: To increase the duration of immunity, at least to cover the window between biannual vaccination

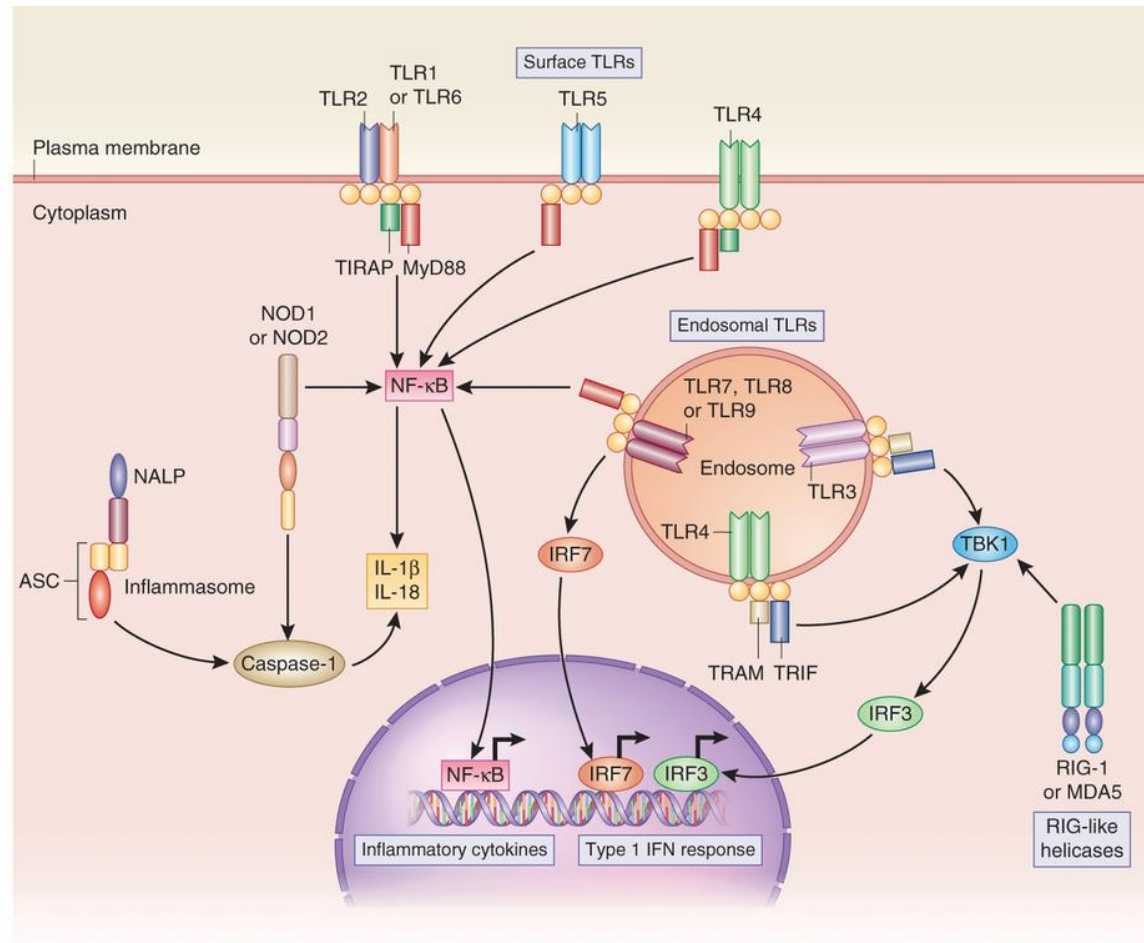
# VNT and IFN- $\gamma$ responses in serotype A and SAT2 vaccinated cattle on 21dpv



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# How does the new generation adjuvants help?

- Activate the innate immune system via ligand binding to PRR
- Enhance the anti-viral environment
- Enhance the adaptive response (CMI and humoral)
- Improve memory responses



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# Screening of potent adjuvants- Type O antigen (sub-optimal dose) in cattle

Groups	No of animals	Details of vaccine	FMD antigen	Adjuvant/ISA 206	Protected/Total	Percent protective
* 1	4*	FMD antigen + Abisco 300 + ISA 206	5 µg	1 mg + 1 ml	3/3	100
2	4*	FMD antigen + CpG + Emulsigen + ISA 206	5 µg	0.25 mg + 1 ml + 1ml	1/3	33
3	4	FMD antigen + ISA 70V	5 µg	1 ml	2/4	50
* 4	4	FMD antigen + ISA 206 + Poly I:C	5 µg	1 ml + 0.4 mg	3/4	75
* 5	4	FMD antigen + ISA 206 + Imiquimod	5 µg	1 ml + 0.4 mg	3/4	75
* 6	4	FMD antigen + ISA 206 + MPL-A	5 µg	1 ml + 0.4 mg	3/4	75

# Screening of potent adjuvants- Type O antigen (sub-optimal dose). cattle

Groups	No of animals	Details of vaccine	FMD antigen	Adjuvant/ISA 206	Protected/Total	Percent protectic
7	4	FMD antigen + Liposome	5 µg	0.2 ml	1/4	25
8	4	FMD antigen + ISA 206	5 µg	1 ml	2/4	50
9	4	FMD antigen + ISA 206	10 µg	1 ml	4/4	100
10	2	PBS alone without FMD antigens	Nil	Nil	0/2	0

\*one animal died (non- specific) before the day of challenge (21 dpv). Animals were vaccinated intramuscularly on one occasion and challenged by the intradermolingual route with  $\log_{10}^4$  CCID<sub>50</sub> dose of FMDV O/IND/R2/75, 3 weeks later.

# Final screening of potent adjuvants using Type A antigen (sub-optimal dose) in cattle



Group	No of animals	Vaccine details	A22 FMD antigen	Protected / Total	Percentage of protection
1	2	None	None	0/2	0
2	5	A22 FMD antigen+ISA-206	2 µg	0/5	0
3	5	A22 FMD antigen+ISA206 +AbISCO®300	2 µg	5/5	100
4	5	A22 FMD antigen+ISA-206 +Poly(I:C)	2 µg	5/5	100
5	5	A22 FMD antigen+ISA-206 +MPLA	2 µg	4/5	80
6	5	A22 FMD antigen+ISA-206 +R848	2 µg	2/5	40
7	5	A22 FMD antigen+ISA-206 +MPLA+R848	2 µg	1/5	20

# Serotype A Vaccine Trial Design



A22 Iraq+ ISA-206 control



A22 Iraq+ ISA-206 + poly (I:C) adjuvant



A22 Iraq+ ISA-206 + AbISCO adjuvant



A22 Iraq+ ISA-206 + R848 adjuvant



A22 Iraq+ ISA-206 + MPLA adjuvant



A22 Iraq+ ISA-206 + R848+ MPLA adjuvant



Non-Vaccinates control

A22 Iraq  
Vaccination  
(sub-optimal dose)

A22 Iraq  
Challenge

Cull

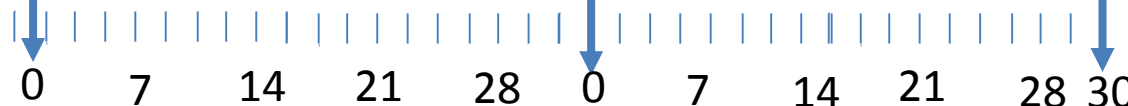
Sampling

Daily Rectal Temp

Swabs

Clotted blood

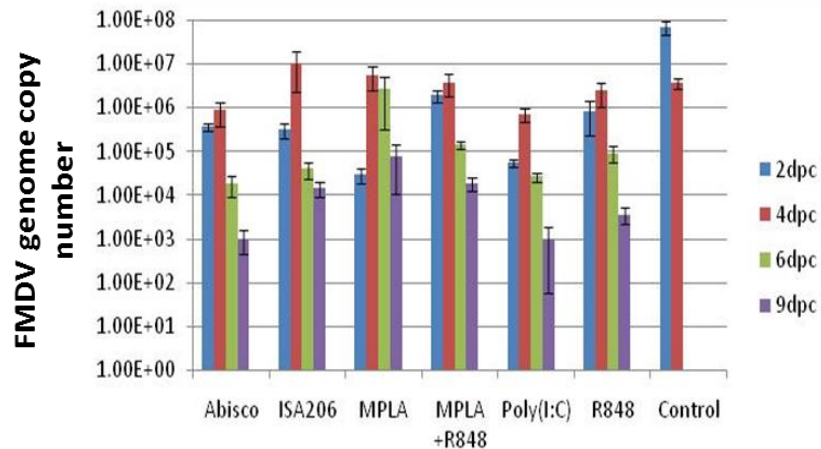
Heparinized blood



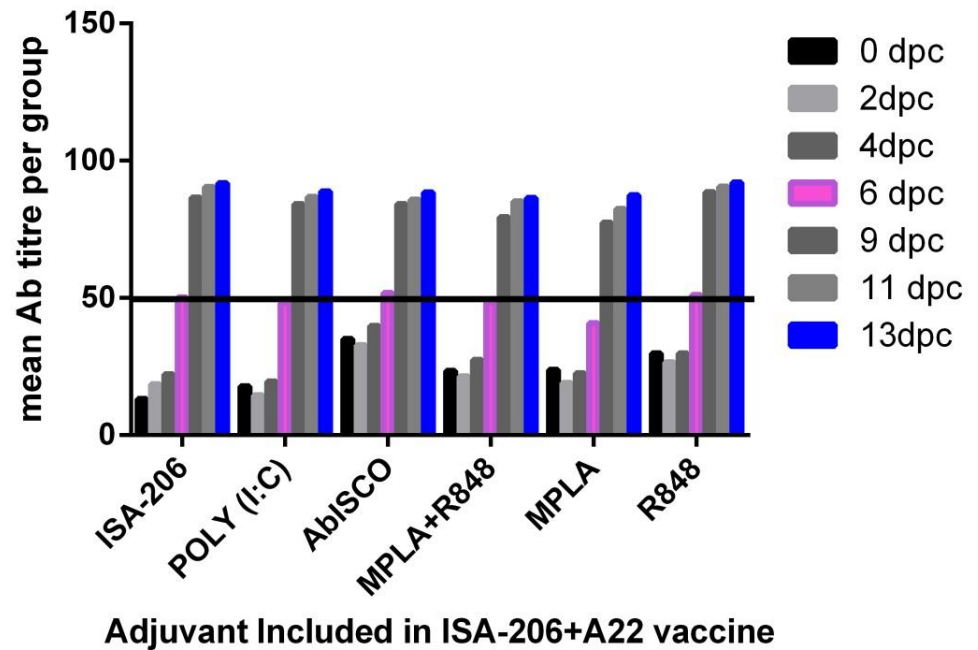


# All calves had viraemia and sub-clinical infection

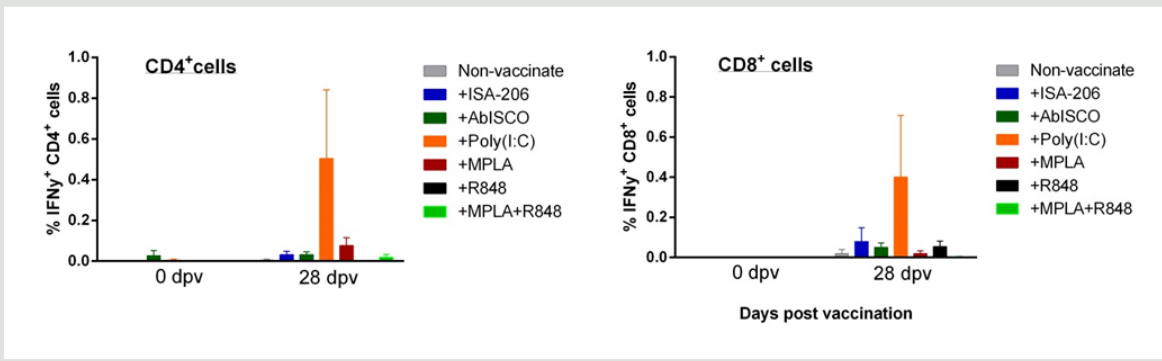
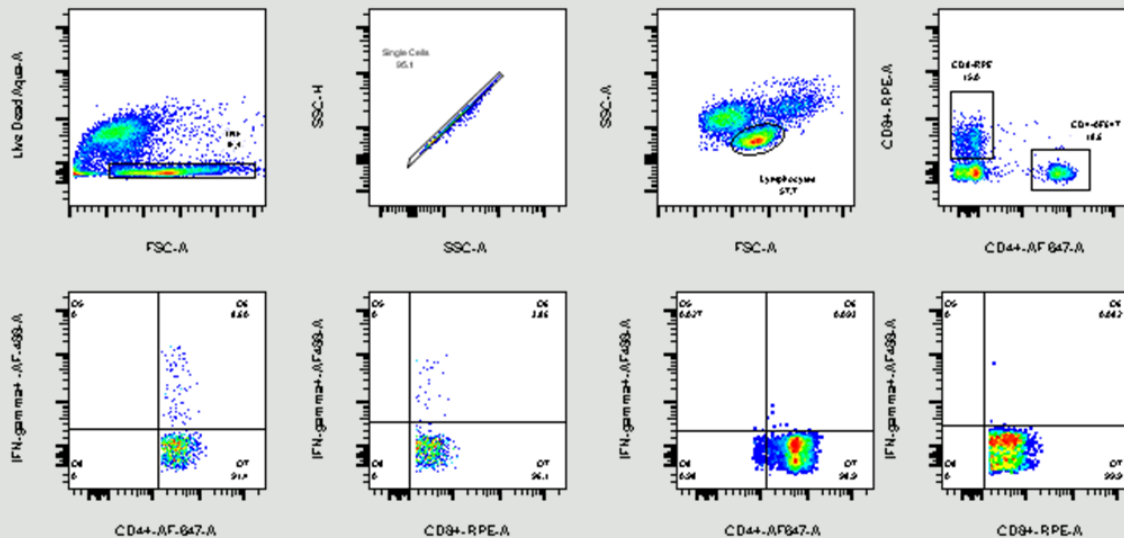
## Genome copy in nasal secret



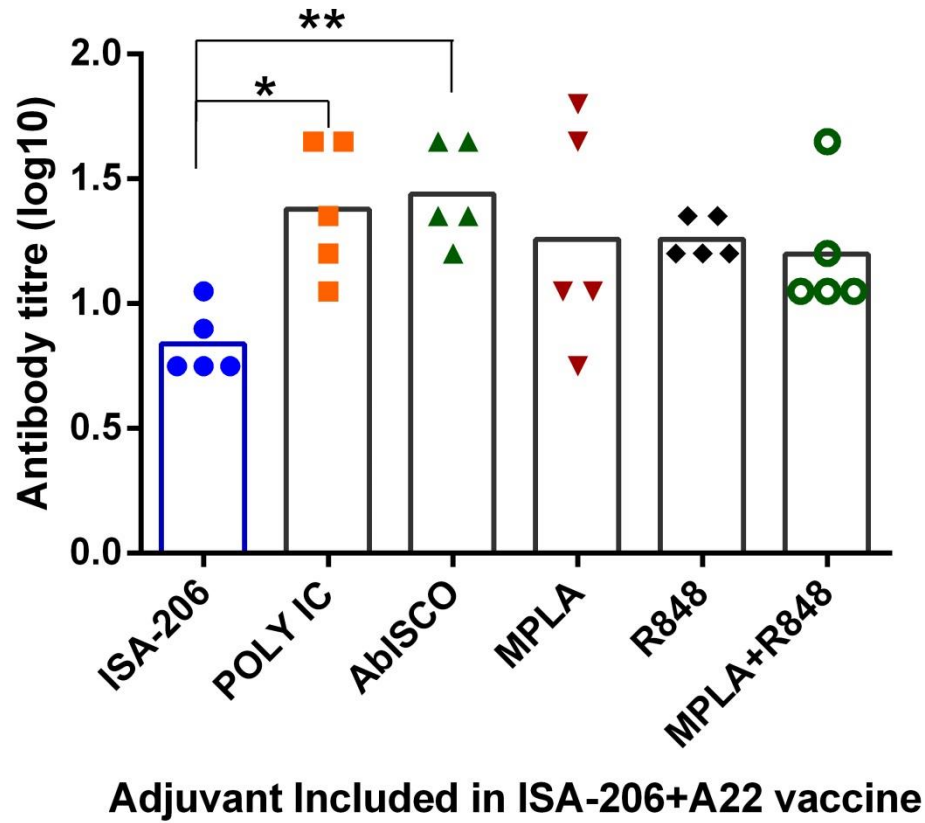
## Abs in peripheral serum to NSP



# FACS analysis- IFN- $\gamma$ from CD4<sup>+</sup> and CD8<sup>+</sup> cells



**Poly (I:C) and AbISCO had significantly increased neutralizing antibodies on 28dpv compared to the ISA-206 control group**



# Summary-1

- Achieved an increased potency as indicated by lack of clinical symptoms in Poly I:C and AbISCO groups (although not able to prevent sub-clinical infection)
- Significantly elevated neutralizing antibodies in Abisco and Poly I:C group cattle
- Some indication of IFN-g upregulation by CD4<sup>+</sup> and CD8<sup>+</sup> cells

# Longer duration of immunity study

ISA 206 + Poly I:C      11 cattle

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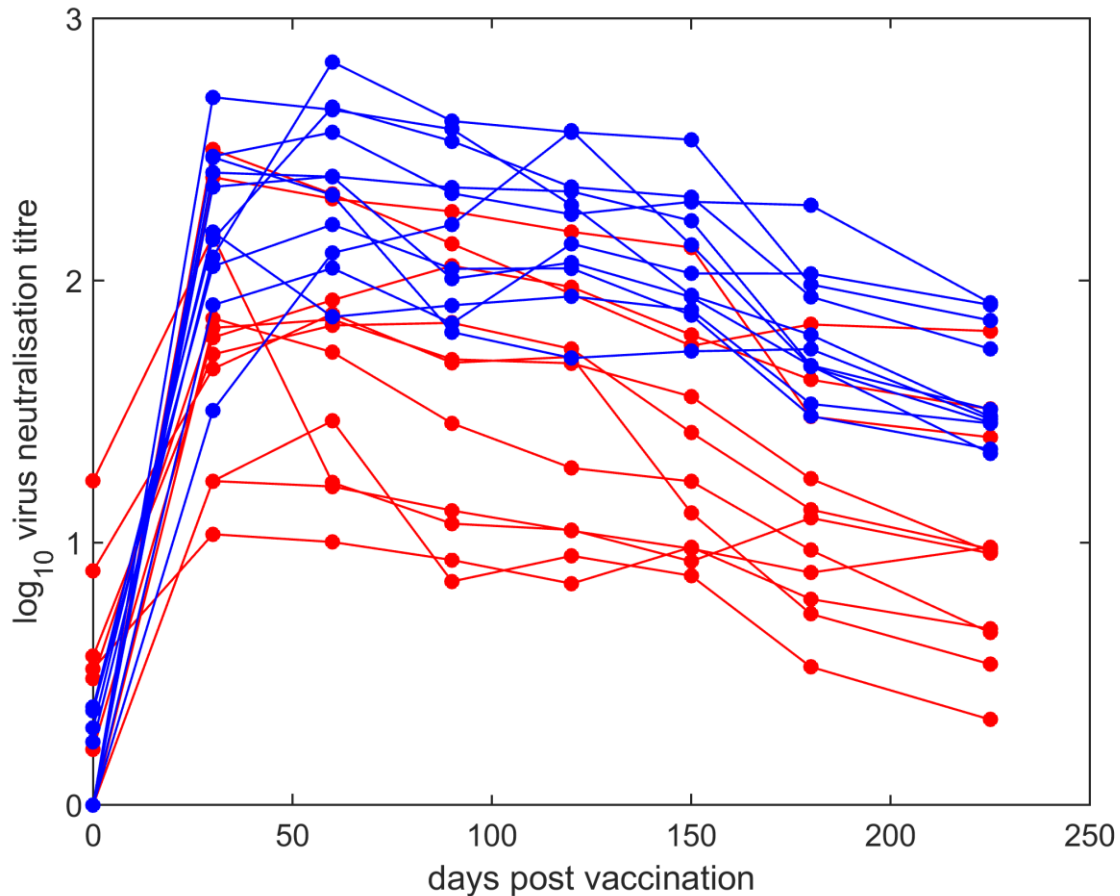
Type O antigen full dose- 10 microgram

Vaccinated cattle were monitored for 225 days (7.5 months) at Indian Immunologicals

Serum, PBMC and antigen specific stimulated whole blood plasma were transported to Pirbright for analysis

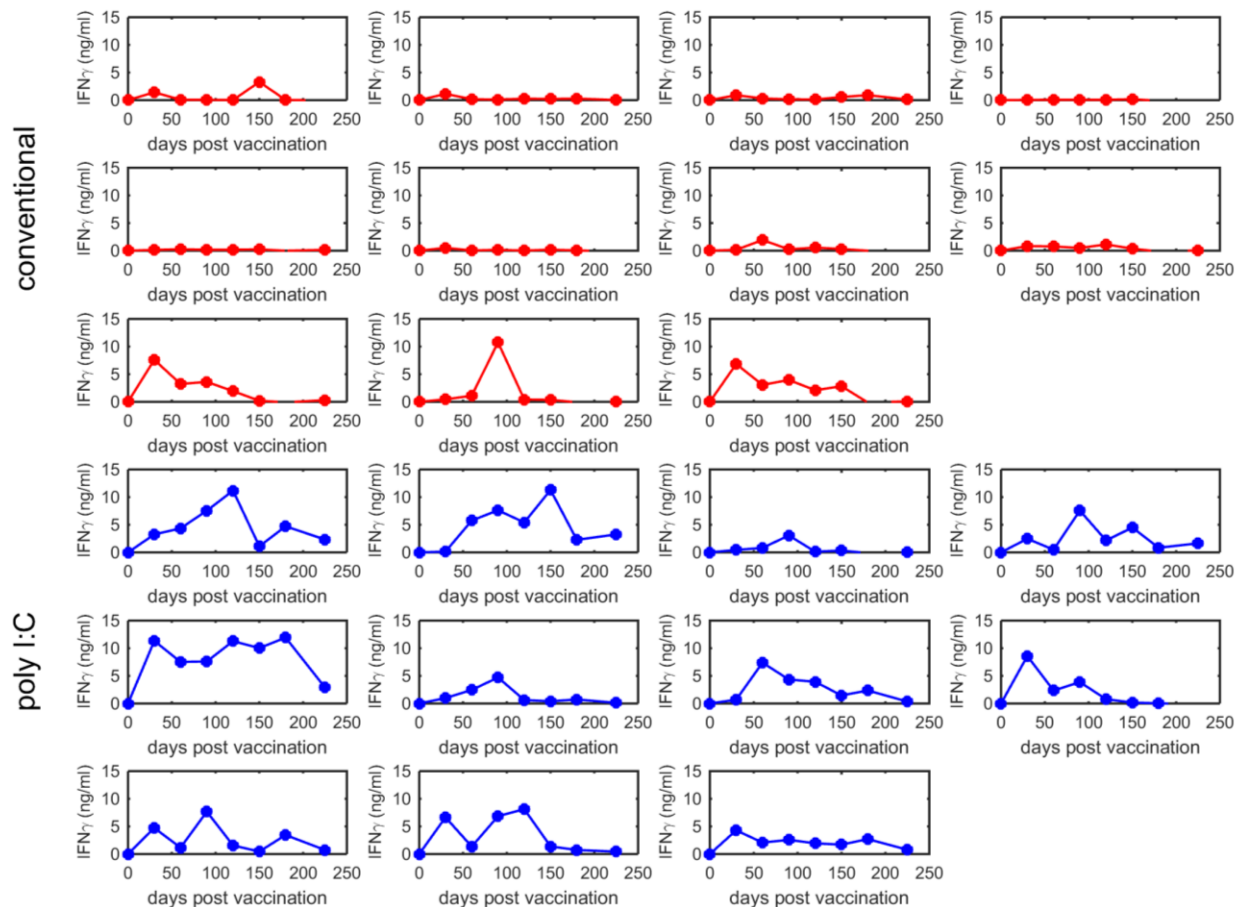
# Virus neutralisation titres

- Titres significantly higher in cattle when vaccinated with poly I:C (blue) compared with conventional adjuvant (red)

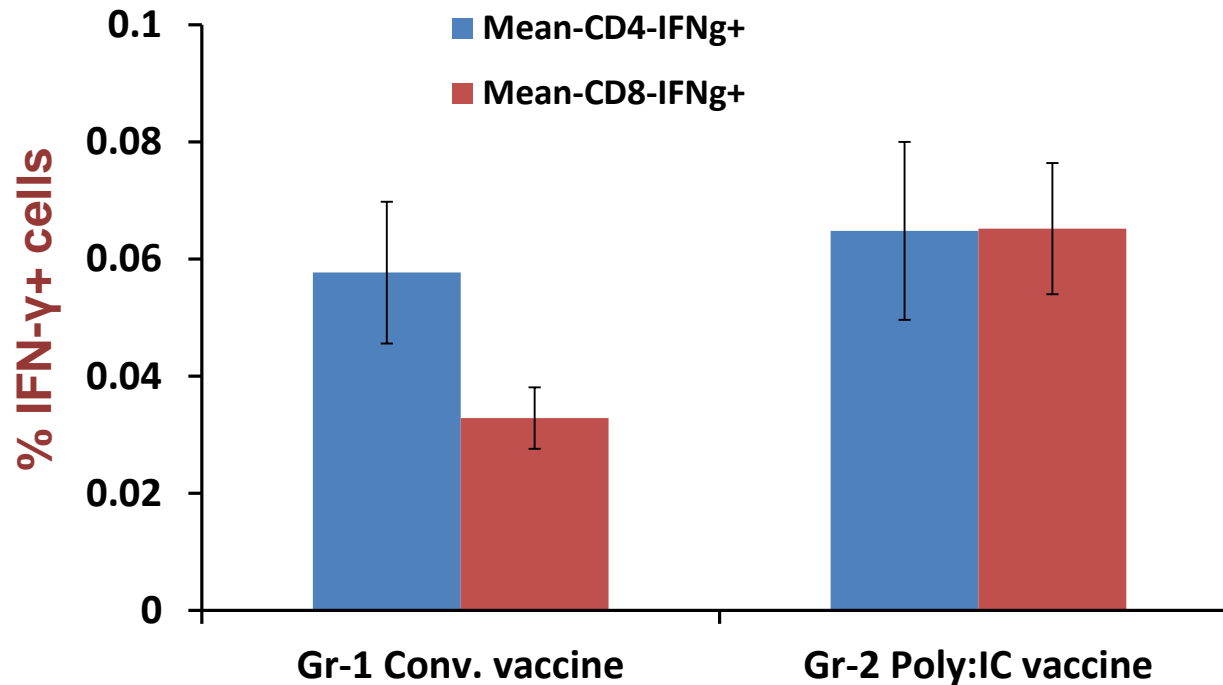


# Whole blood Interferon- $\gamma$

- Significantly higher levels in cattle when vaccinated with poly I:C (blue) compared with conventional adjuvant (red)



# IFN- $\gamma$ production -flow cytometry on 120 dpv



% of CD4 or CD8 cells from the total live population showing antigen specific IFN $\gamma$  expression



# Summary-2

- Significantly higher VN titre in cattle vaccinated with poly I:C compared with conventional adjuvant
- By 4th month many of the conventional vaccinated animals lost the protective level of antibody titre
- IFN $\gamma$  levels significantly higher in cattle when vaccinated with poly I:C when compared with conventional adjuvant
- Indication of IFN-gamma upregulation by CD4<sup>+</sup> and CD8<sup>+</sup> cells were observed in Poly I:C group in FACS analysis.
- Duration of immunity can be enhanced up to 6 months post-vaccination that covers the window of susceptibility before 2<sup>nd</sup> vaccination

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