

1 Supporting Information for

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3 *A Plasmodium berghei* Sporozoite-Based Vaccination Platform Against
4 Human Malaria

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14 **SI Materials and Methods**

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16 ***In vitro* culture of *P. berghei*-infected mouse and human RBC.** A magnetic cell
17 separation procedure was used to separate mouse and human red blood cells in blood-
18 chimeric mice. Microbead magnetic particles conjugated to anti-Ter-119 antibody were
19 used to secure mouse erythrocytes on a separation column in the presence of a magnet.
20 Both the positive fraction (mouse erythrocytes) and the negative fractions (human
21 erythrocytes) were recovered. Briefly, approximately 1 mL of blood was collected by heart
22 puncture from infected blood-chimeric mice and washed with *PBS*, resuspended in 0.25 ml
23 of *PBS* containing 1% (v/v) FCS (Sigma) and stained with biotinylated rat anti-mouse
24 TER-119 (BD Biosciences Pharmingen) at 10 mg/ml for 30 min at room temperature. After
25 washing twice with separation buffer (PBS containing 0.5% (v/v) BSA and 2 mM EDTA),
26 the cells were resuspended in 0.45 ml of this buffer and 50 mL of streptavidin conjugated
27 BD iMag DM particles (BD Biosciences Pharmingen) and incubated for 30 min at 4 °C.

28 Finally, 0.55 ml of separation buffer was added to the sample and the cellular suspension
29 was exposed to DYNAL MPC-1 Magnetic Particle Concentrator (Dynal, Oslo, Norway) for
30 6 min. The quality of purification was assessed by flow cytometry as described above and
31 purity was found to range between 87 and 95%. Both positive and negative fractions were
32 cultured in vitro using standard conditions. Briefly, parasites were cultured using RPMI-
33 1640 supplemented with 0.5 % Albumax and 150 μ M hypoxanthine at 2 % haematocrit
34 adjusted by the addition of either human or mouse red blood cells under an atmosphere of
35 90 % N₂, 5 % CO₂, 5 % O₂ at 37 °C. At various times after incubation, small samples
36 were collect for microscopy analysis of parasite development by Giemsa staining of
37 cultured blood smears.

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39 ***In vivo* infection of mouse and rabbit livers.** Mice and rabbits were infected by either
40 being exposed to infected mosquito bites or by intravenous injection of freshly dissected
41 sporozoites. For mice infection, 1×10^4 or 5×10^4 freshly isolated *Pb* sporozoites were
42 injected intravenously in the ocular plexus. For rabbit infections, sedated animals (25
43 mg/kg Ketamine (Imalgene 1000, Merial) + 0.25 mg/kg Dexmedetomidine (Dexdomitor,
44 Pfizer) administered subcutaneously and reverted with 0.2 mg/kg Atipamezole (Antisedan,
45 Zoetis), also administered subcutaneously) were exposed to the bites of ~75 infected
46 mosquitoes or were injected intravenously in the ear vein with defined amounts of
47 sporozoites (1×10^5 , 5×10^5 or 1×10^6). Selected mouse liver lobes and small (~1 cm³) pieces
48 of rabbit livers were isolated from infected animals at various times post infection and fixed
49 with 4% (v/v) paraformaldehyde. Mouse liver lobes were fixed at room temperature for 2 to
50 4 h, while the small pieces of rabbit livers were fixed first for 4 h at room temperature
51 followed by overnight at 4 °C. The fixed liver lobes or pieces were cut into 50 μ m-thick

52 sections using a Vibratome VT 1000S (Leica). Liver sections were blocked in 2% (w/v)
53 bovine serum albumin and 0.5% (v/v) Triton X-100 at 4 °C overnight, stained with goat
54 anti-*Pb* UIS4, mouse anti-*Pb* CS (mAb 3D11) and mouse anti-*Pf* CS (mAb 2A10). The
55 secondary antibodies used for detection were: Alexa Fluor 555 donkey anti-goat antibody
56 and donkey anti-mouse conjugated to Alexa Fluor 488 (all 1:500). Cell nuclei were stained
57 with Hoechst and F-actin with Alexa Fluor® 647 phalloidin. Stained liver sections were
58 mounted on microscope slides with Fluoromount-G (SouthernBiotech). Images were
59 acquired on a LSM 710 and/or a LSM 510 Meta confocal point-scanning microscope
60 (Zeiss).

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62 **ELISA.** High protein-binding capacity 96 well enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay
63 (ELISA) plates (Nunc MaxiSorp™ flat-bottom) were coated with synthetic peptide (Sigma)
64 based on the repeat region of the *Pf*CS protein with the amino acid sequence
65 (NANP)₄NVDPC or the repeat region of the *Pb*CS protein with the amino acid sequence
66 (DPPPPNPN)₂. The peptide was coated overnight at 4°C at a concentration of 5 µg/mL in a
67 volume of 50 µL per well. Plates were washed three times with *PBS* containing 0.1% (v/v)
68 Tween-20 and blocked with 200 µl *PBS* containing 0.1% (v/v) Tween-20 and 1% (w/v)
69 BSA for 30 min at room temperature. Plates were washed one additional time and serially
70 diluted in *PBS* containing 0.1% (v/v) Tween-20 and 1% (w/v) BSA were added and
71 incubated at 22 °C for 2 h. After washing four times, peroxidase labeled goat anti-rabbit
72 IgG (GE Healthcare UK) was added at a dilution of 1:2000 and incubated at 22 °C for 1 h.
73 After washing four times, BD OptEIA™ TMB Substrate Reagent was added for
74 development and incubated for 1 to 3 minutes at 22 °C before the stopping the reaction by
75 addition of 50 µl Stop solution (2N H₂SO₄). The Optical density was determined using a

76 microplate reader (Infinite M200). To serve as a positive control and to allow comparison
77 between samples from different assays, a standard titration curve of at least of 8 points
78 starting a dilution of 1/20 of a pool of rabbit sera from all immunized animals was used as
79 reference in all assays.

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81 **Sporozoite Immunofluorescence Assay (IFA).** Sera collected from immunized animals
82 were tested by immunofluorescence using air-dried methanol- fixed *Pf* sporozoites, in order
83 to detect antibody binding to sporozoites. Briefly, purified *Pf* sporozoites (NF54 strain)
84 were suspended in *PBS*, pH 7.4 so that 5×10^3 sporozoites could be added to each well of
85 Thermo Scientific™ Hydrophobic Printed Well Slides using a volume of 5 μ l per well.
86 Slides were then left at room temperature overnight for air-drying, and then stored at -20 °C
87 until used. Rabbit sera samples was serially diluted in *PBS*, starting at 1:50, and 20 μ l were
88 added to the wells. Samples predicted to be negative were only used at 1:50 and all samples
89 were incubated at 37 °C for 45 min in a humid chamber. Slides were then washed three
90 times with *PBS* and incubated with mouse monoclonal antibody against the *Pf*CS protein,
91 2A10, at a 1:2000 dilution, as a positive control for the presence of *Pf* sporozoites. Alexa
92 fluor 488 conjugated donkey anti-mouse IgG (Molecular Probes) and Alexa fluor 568
93 conjugated donkey anti-rabbit IgG (Molecular Probes) were diluted to 1:500 in *PBS* and 20
94 μ L were added to each well, followed by an incubation of 45 min at 37 °C in a humid
95 chamber. Slides were washed three times with *PBS* and mounted with in Fluoromount-G®
96 (SouthernBiotech 0100-01) mounting medium. Samples were analyzed on a Zeiss Axiovert
97 200M microscope at 400 X magnification. The endpoint titer was defined as the last serum
98 dilution at which fluorescence intensity was higher than the negative controls provided by
99 sera samples from animals subjected to uninfected mosquito bites.

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101 ***In vitro* cell proliferation analysis.** Spleen cells were isolated from the spleen of
102 immunized rabbits. Briefly, rabbits were sacrificed by intravenous injection of 150 mg/kg
103 IV Sodium Pentobarbital (Eutasil, CEVA). Blood was collected by cardiac puncture into
104 heparinized tubes and the spleen collected into a 50 ml tube containing *PBS* with 2% (v/v)
105 FBS on ice. Spleen cell suspensions were made by passage of the organ through a 70 μ m
106 nylon cell strainer (BD Labware) and spleen erythrocytes were lysed by 3 min incubation
107 on ice in ACK lysing solution. After erythrocyte lysis, cells were incubated for 10 min at
108 37°C, in *PBS* without fetal calf serum (FCS), with 1 μ M CellTrace Violet (Invitrogen Inc.,
109 USA). After this incubation, extracellular dye was neutralized by the addition of FCS at
110 final concentration of 10% (v/v), and cells were centrifuged for 5 min, 400 g, at 4°C. 1×10^6
111 purified spleen cells were resuspended in complete RPMI medium, and incubated with
112 different stimuli for 7 days, at 37 °C, in a humidified cell culture incubator. Cells were
113 incubated with overlapping peptides of *PbCS* and *PfCS* (15 amino acid-long peptides with
114 12 overlapping amino acids, covering the entirety of each protein) according to the
115 annotated sequences available in PlasmoDB (PBANKA_0403200 and PF3D7_0304600,
116 respectively) at a final concentration of 2 μ g/ml. For sporozoite stimulation assays, 5×10^4
117 sporozoites/ml were employed. The proliferation levels were measured by the CellTrace
118 Violet dilution, in comparison with non-stimulated cells, where dye dilution is minimal or
119 does not occur. Alternatively, 1 mCi [3 H]thymidine (Amersham) was added for the last 18
120 h, and [3 H]thymidine incorporation was measured using the MicroBeta TriLux scintillation
121 counter (PerkinElmer).

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123 **IFN- γ production.** Mononuclear leucocytes were isolated from immunized rabbit's spleens
124 by Ficoll density sedimentation. Single-cell suspensions were cultured *ex vivo* for 120 h
125 after specific stimuli, as described above for cell proliferation assays. Cell cultured
126 supernatants were collected for IFN- γ cytokine quantification by enzyme-linked
127 immunosorbent assay (ELISA) according to the manufacturer's recommendations (Rabbit
128 IFN γ Do-It-Yourself ELISA kit – Kingfisher Biotech, Saint Paul, MN, USA). The kit
129 contains capture antibody, standard, and detection antibody. In each ELISA assay, a
130 standard curve was generated using several dilutions of the recombinant rabbit IFN-g
131 protein (detection range from 0.4 to 15.6 ng/ml). Briefly, Nunc MaxiSorp™ flat-bottom 96-
132 well ELISA plate (ThermoFisher Scientific Inc., Waltham, MA, USA) was coated
133 overnight with 2.5 μ g/ml of anti-rabbit IFN-g polyclonal capture antibody. The biotinylated
134 anti-rabbit IFN-g polyclonal detection antibody (0.1 μ g/ml) was added to 96-well ELISA
135 plates after previous incubation of specific standards and experimental samples. Next,
136 streptavidin-horseradish peroxidase conjugated complex (BD Biosciences, Franklin Lakes,
137 NJ, USA) was added followed by 3,3',5,5' tetramethylbenzidine (TMB) substrate reagent
138 (BD Biosciences, Franklin Lakes, NJ, USA) and stop solution (2N H₂SO₄). Absorbance
139 was measured using an Infinite® 200 PRO microplate reader (Tecan, Männedorf,
140 Switzerland) at 450 nm and cytokine IFN γ levels were calculated. Data were expressed as
141 ng/ml.

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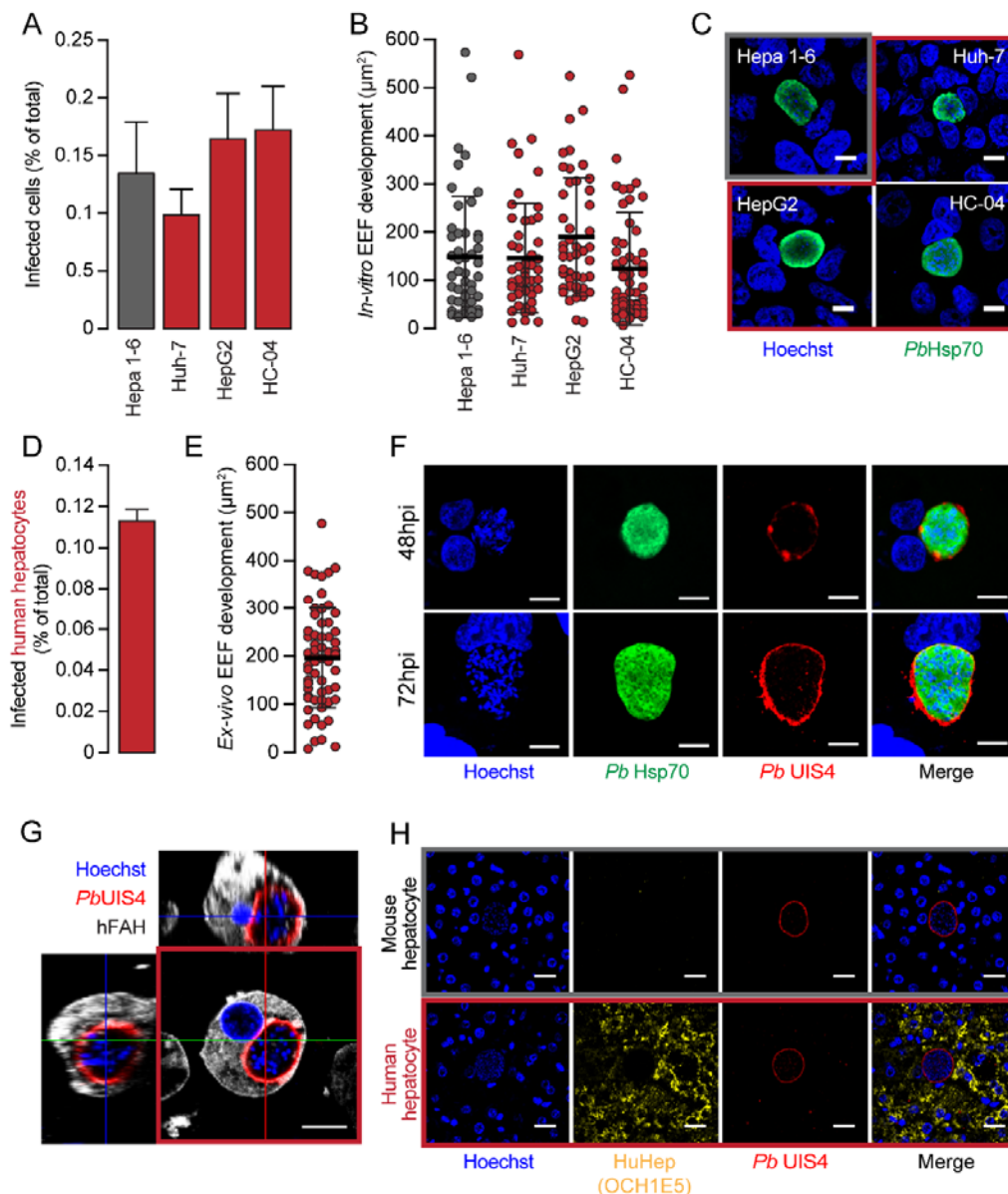
143 **Inhibition of Sporozoite Invasion Assay.** To assess the functional capacity of IgG from
144 immunized animals to inhibit cell traversal by sporozoites, HC-04 human immortalized
145 cells (MRA-975) were cultured with F-12 Nutrient Mixture (GIBCO) and Minimal
146 Essential Medium (GIBCO) supplemented with 10% FBS (GIBCO) and 1% (v/v)

147 penicillin/streptomycin (GIBCO), at 37 °C in an atmosphere of 5% CO₂ and infected by *Pf*
148 sporozoites. Sporozoites were pre-incubated with 0.2 mg/ml IgG for 30 min on ice and
149 5x10⁴ sporozoites were added to 96-well plates containing monolayers of 5x10⁴ HC-04
150 hepatocytes in triplicates. Plates were then centrifuged at 3,000 RPM for 10 min at RT with
151 a low brake (Eppendorf Centrifuge 5810 R) and incubated for 24 h at 37 °C in 5% CO₂.
152 After incubation, wells were gently washed three times with *PBS*, trypsinized with 0.05%
153 Trypsin-EDTA (GIBCO) for 5 min at RT, taken up in 10% (v/v) FBS in *PBS*, and
154 centrifuged at 3,600 RPM for 5 min at RT (Eppendorf Centrifuge 5415 D). Cells were re-
155 suspended in 1% PFA in *PBS* and stored at 4 °C in the dark until analysis by flow
156 cytometry on an ADP Cyan flow cytometer (Beckman Coulter) following staining with an
157 anti-Hsp70 antibody. Sporozoite invasion was corrected for background and the percentage
158 of inhibition of invasion was calculated relative to that of control samples.

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160 ***In silico* analysis to identify overlapping CD8⁺ T cell epitopes between *Pf* and *Pb*.**

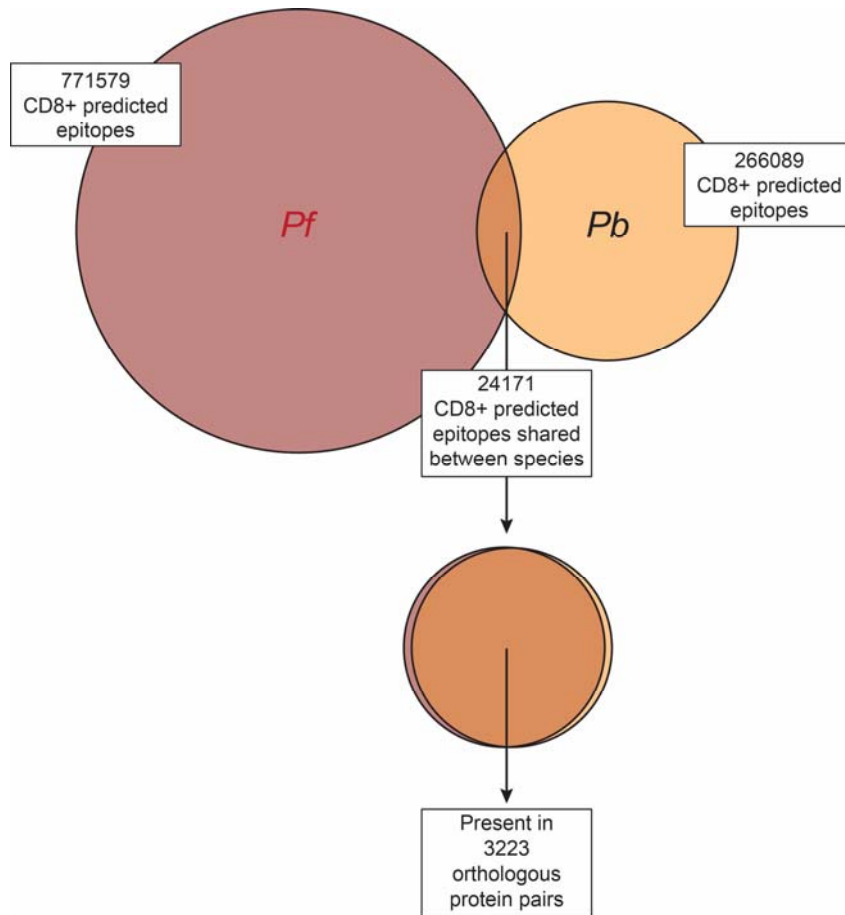
161 Epitopes were predicted in the proteomes of *Pf* and *Pb* as described in Methods. Epitope
162 prediction by NetMHCpan (v4.0)⁷⁰ was conducted on proteins with identifiers as listed in
163 PlasmoDB (v36)⁶⁹, and therefore the predicted epitopes were automatically assigned the
164 identifier of the protein in which they were found. Then, for each *Plasmodium* species, the
165 output of NetMHCpan (v4.0)⁷⁰ was parsed to obtain all unique epitopes predicted across
166 all HLA supertypes and across all epitope lengths. These two sets of unique epitopes, one
167 in each species, were then compared, to identify those common to both species. The
168 proteins containing shared epitopes were compared to the file of orthologs obtained from
169 Orthomcl.org (v5) (orthomcl.org/common/downloads/release-5/pairs/orthologs.txt.gz), to
170 identify pairs of *Pb* and *Pf* proteins belonging to the same orthologous group.



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172 **Fig. S1.** *P. berghei* sporozoite invasion and development in murine and human liver cells.
 173 (A,B) Infection (A) and 48 hpi development (B) of *Pb* parasites in murine (grey) and human (red)
 174 hepatoma cell lines by immunofluorescence microscopy; (C) Representative images of *Pb* parasites
 175 48 hpi in murine (grey square) and human (red squares) hepatoma cell lines. (D,E) *Pb* ex vivo
 176 infectivity (D) and development (E) in micropatterned human primary hepatocytes/fibroblast co-
 177 cultures; (F) Representative immunofluorescence microscopy images of *Pb* EEFs 48 (upper panels)
 178 and 72 (lower panels) hpi of micropatterned human primary hepatocytes/fibroblast co-cultures;
 179 (G,H) Images and projections of *Pb* parasites developing 48 hpi inside human hepatocytes of liver
 180 humanized FRG mice. Note that the *Pb* parasite, identified by the specific stain of the *Pb*UIS4
 181 protein (red) is clearly within a human hepatocyte, as identified by fumarylacetoacetate hydrolase-
 182 stain (white, in G) or by anti-hepatocyte specific antigen antibody (OCH1E5, yellow, in h). Scale
 183 bars correspond to 10 µm.

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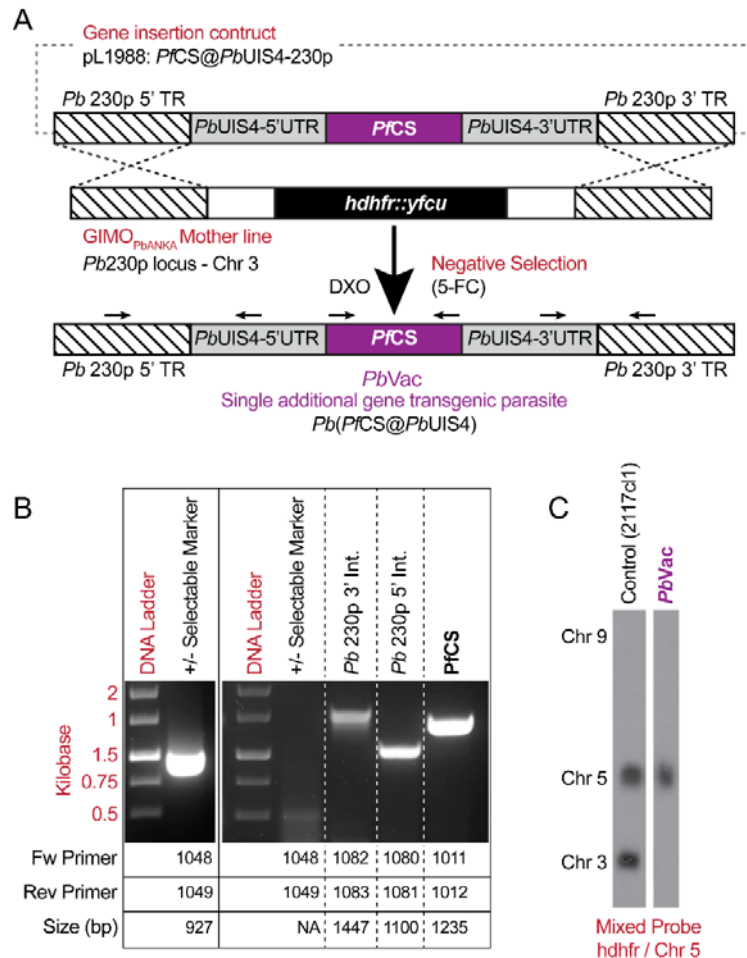
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186 **Fig. S2.** Distribution of shared strong binding epitopes between the *Pf* and *Pf* proteome.

187 24171 *in silico*-predicted epitopes are shared between species (Table S1). These are encoded in
 188 3371 *Pf* proteins and 3332 *Pb* proteins, of which 3223 are orthologous pairs in the two species. *Pf*
 189 proteins containing shared epitopes include several antigens expressed during pre-erythrocytic
 190 stages, including SLARP (PF3D7_1147000), SIAP1 (PF3D7_0408600), LISP1 (PF3D7_1418100)
 191 and MB2 (PF3D7_05166). Notably missing from the *Pf* proteins containing shared epitopes is the
 192 CS protein.

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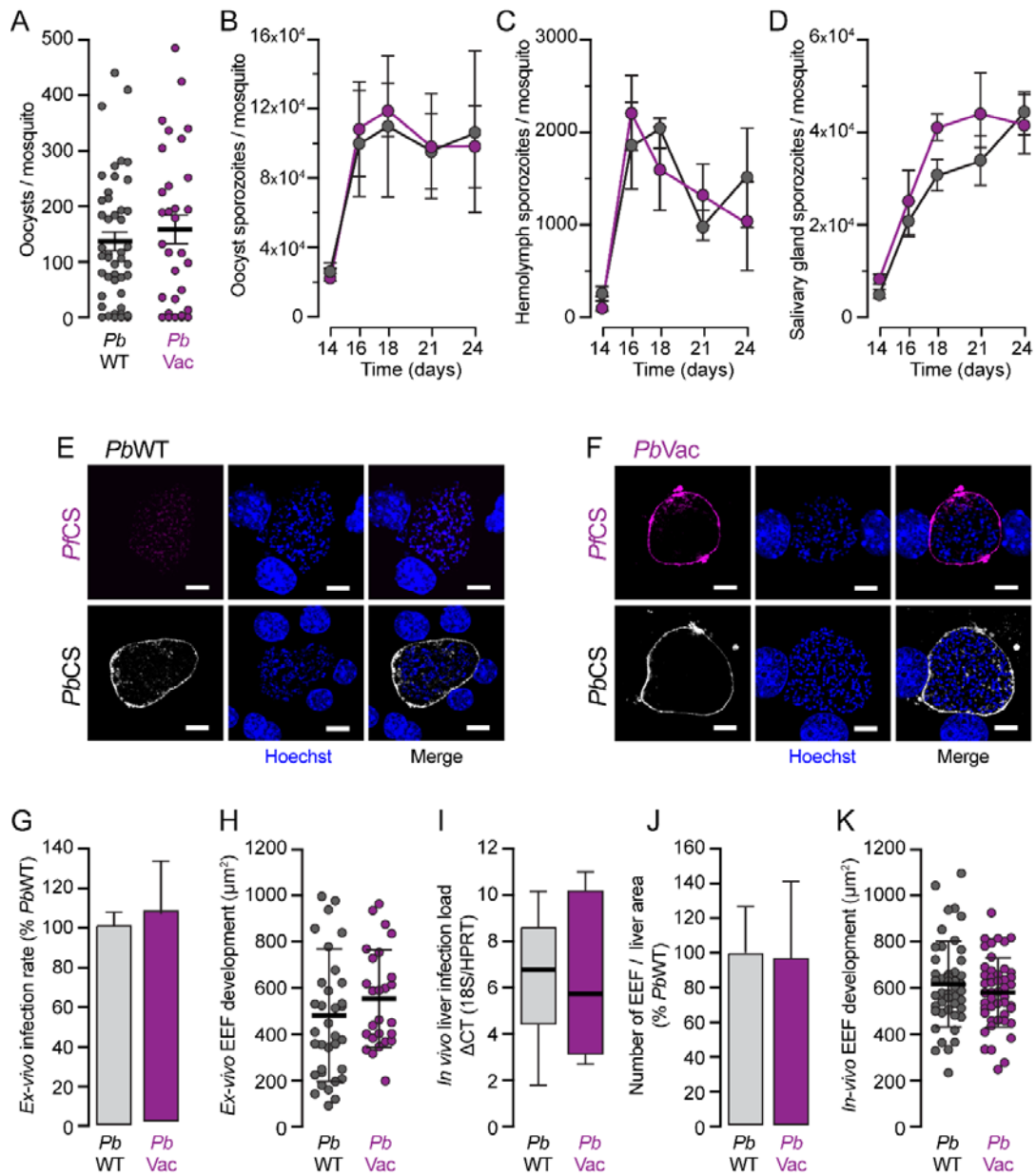
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Fig. S3. Generation and genotyping of the transgenic *P. berghei* line.

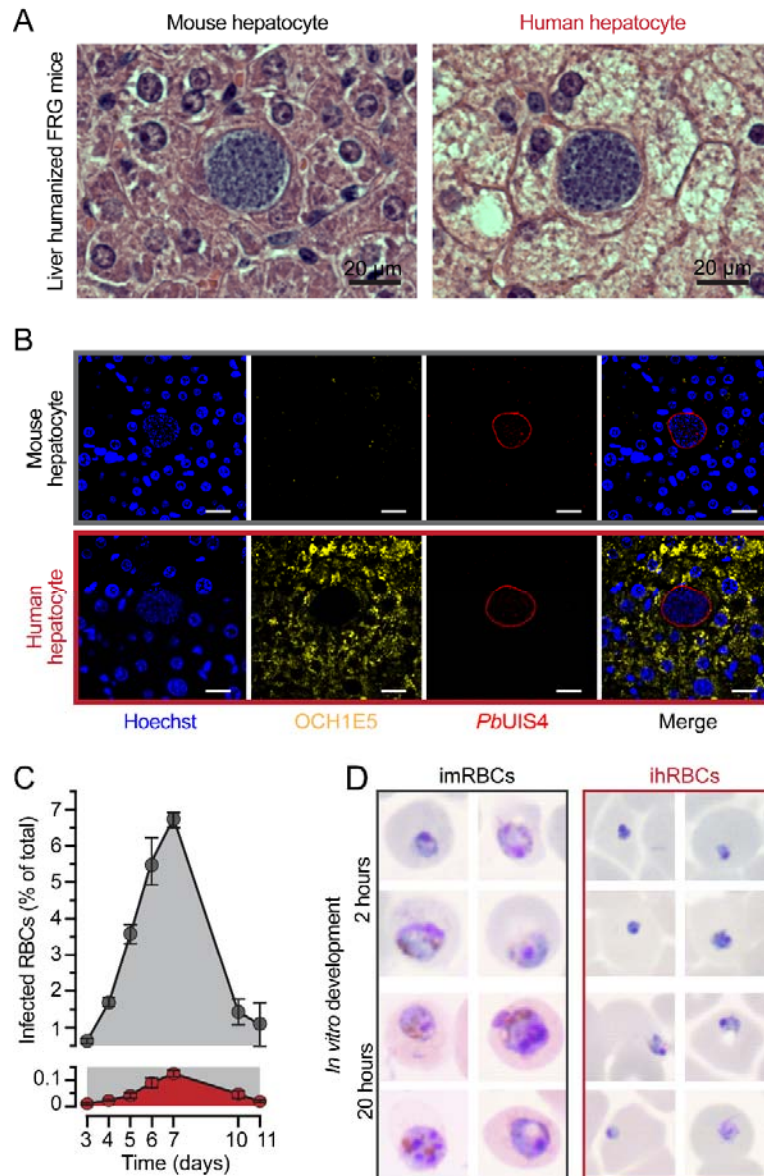
(A) Schematic representation of the transgenic line *PbVac* line (*Pb(PfCS@UIS4)*) where the GIMO insertion-construct (pL1988) replaces the selectable marker (SM; *hdhfr::yfcu*) in the GIMO *PbANKA* mother line with the *PfCS* coding sequence (CDS) after negative selection using 5-fluorocytosine (5-FC). Construct pL1988 integrates by double cross-over homologous recombination (DXO) using 5' and 3' targeting sequences (TR) for the neutral *230p* locus, resulting in the introduction of the *PfCS* CDS under the control of the *PbUIS4* gene promoter (5'-UTR) and *Pbuis4* transcriptional terminator sequence (3'- UTR) and removal of the SM. Black arrows: location of primers used for diagnostic PCR; (B) Genotype analysis by diagnostic PCR analysis of the cloned parasite *PbVac* line confirms correct integration of the *PfCS* expression cassette in the neutral *230p* locus. Correct integration is shown by the absence of the *hdhfr::yfcu* SM, the presence of the *PfCS* CDS, and the correct integration of the construct into the genome both at the 5' and 3' regions (5' int. and 3' int.). Primers sequences used are shown in Supplementary Tables 1 and 2, while the expected PCR product sizes and the primer numbers are listed in the table below the PCR analysis; (C) Genotype analysis by Southern analysis of pulsed-field gel electrophoresis (PFGE) separated chromosomes (chr.). The correct integration of the *PfCS* expression construct (pL1988) into the *230p* locus of the GIMO *PbANKA* mother line was confirmed by showing the removal of the *hdhfr::yfcu* selectable marker (SM) cassette from chr. 3 in the cloned parasite *PbVac* line. The southern blot is hybridized with a mixture of two probes: one recognizing *hdhfr* and a control probe recognizing chr. 5. As an additional control (ctrl), parasite line 2117 c11 is used with the *hdhfr::yfcu* SM integrated into chr. 3.



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220 **Fig. S4.** *Pb*Vac and wild-type *P. berghei* sporogonic and pre-erythrocytic development.
 221 (A,B,C and D) Oocyst (A), oocyst sporozoite (B) hemolymph sporozoite (C) and salivary gland
 222 sporozoite (D) numbers in WT *Pb*- and *Pb*Vac-infected mosquitoes; (E,F) Representative
 223 immunofluorescence microscopy images of PfCS (purple) and PbCS (white) expressed by WT *Pb*
 224 (E) and *Pb*Vac (F) parasites developing in *ex vivo* cultures of mouse primary hepatocytes;(G,H)
 225 Comparative infectivity (G) and parasite development (H) of WT *Pb* and *Pb*Vac parasites
 226 developing in *ex vivo* cultures of mouse primary hepatocytes; (I,J,K) Comparative *in vivo*
 227 infectivity and development of WT *Pb* and *Pb*Vac parasites as determined by qRT-PCR analysis of
 228 mouse livers (I) quantification of the number of parasites developing per liver area (J), and
 229 development of hepatic EEFs (K).

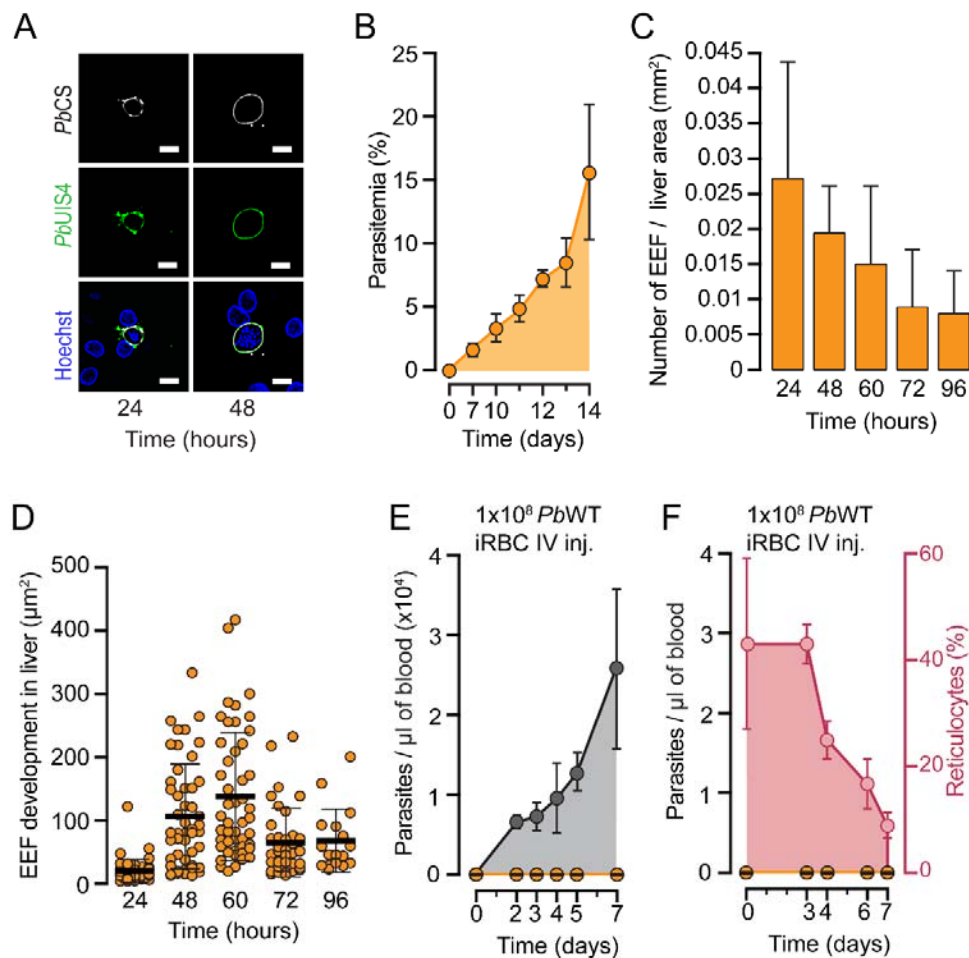


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232 **Fig. S5.** *PbVac* and wild-type *P. berghei* infection and development in human hepatocytes and
 233 RBCs.

234 **(A,B)** Representative images of *PbVac* parasites 48 hpi of mouse and human hepatocytes in liver
 235 humanized FRG mice, identified by differential eosin staining (A) and by immunofluorescence
 236 staining with the anti-human hepatocyte antibody OCH1E5 (yellow, in B); **(C)** Relative proportion
 237 of *PbVac*-infected mouse and human RBCs following infection of blood humanized NSG mice; **(D)**
 238 Representative images of *PbVac* parasite forms observed within imRBCs and ihRBCs after 2 and
 239 20 hours of *in vitro* culture, showing the inability of *PbVac* to develop within ihRBCs.
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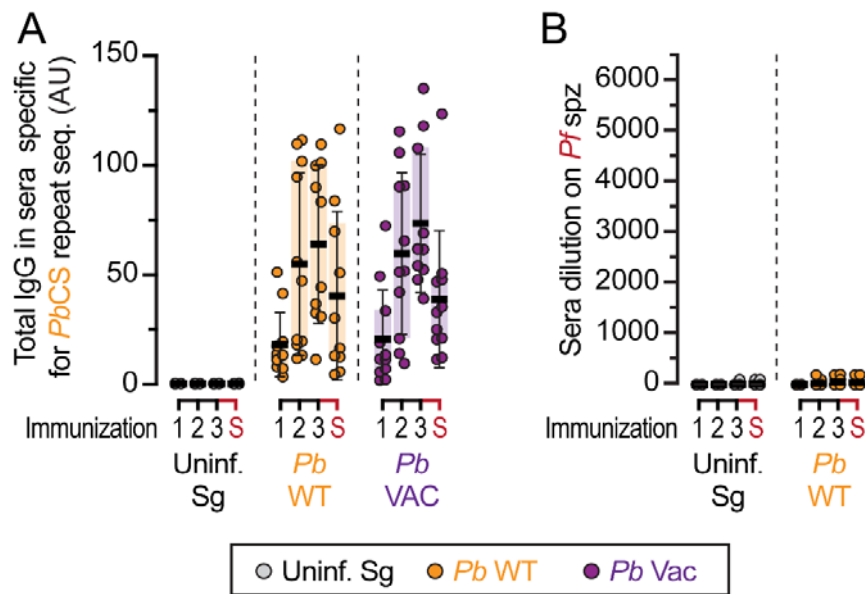
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243 **Fig. S6.** *Pb* infection and development in New Zealand White Rabbits.

244 (A) Representative immunofluorescence microscopy images of *Pb* parasites developing *ex vivo*
 245 within rabbit primary hepatocytes at 24 and 48 hours post infection; (B) Dynamics of *Pb* blood stage
 246 development in mice infected by intravenous inoculation with merozoites formed in a *Pb* sporozoite-
 247 infected *ex-vivo* culture of rabbit primary hepatocytes. (C, D) Relative number of infected hepatocytes
 248 (C) and overall parasite development (D) observed in livers of rabbits inoculated with *Pb*WT
 249 sporozoites.; (E) Parasitemia in the peripheral blood of rabbits (orange) or control mice (grey)
 250 inoculated with *Pb*WT iRBC; (F) Parasitemia in the peripheral blood of rabbits (orange) under
 251 conditions of enhanced reticulocytosis (red).

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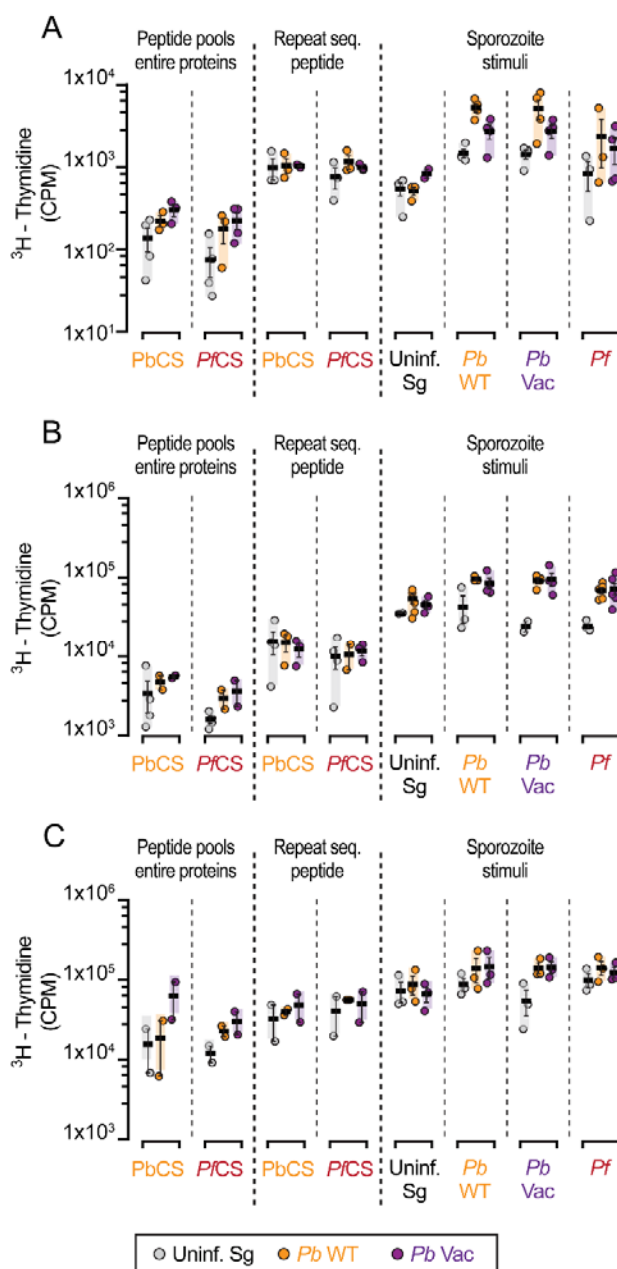
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255 **Fig. S7.** Immunization with *Pb*Vac parasites elicits robust humoral responses.

256 **(A)** Total serum IgG titers against the *Pb*CS repeat sequence after 1, 2 and 3 immunizations or at
 257 the time of animal sacrifice (S) (mock immunized- grey, *Pb*WT immunized- orange, *Pb*Vac -
 258 purple); **(B)** Binding capacity to *Pf* sporozoites of serum samples collected after 1, 2 and 3 mock
 259 (grey) or *Pb*WT immunizations, or at the time of animal sacrifice (S); The boxes correspond to the
 260 25th and 75th percentiles; the line and bars indicate mean of infection and standard error of the mean,
 261 respectively.

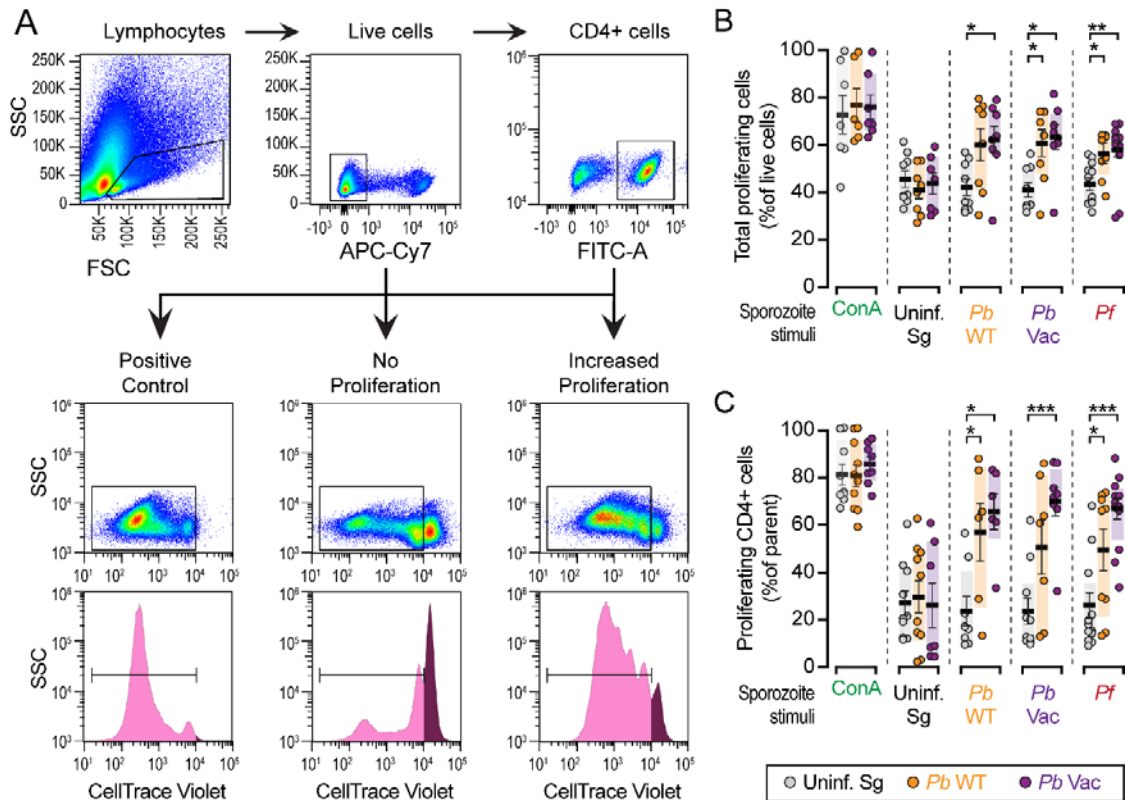
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264 **Fig. S8.** Comparative analysis of cellular immune responses induced upon immunization with
 265 *PbVac* sporozoites.

266 **(A, B, and C)** Individual biological replicates for experiments assessing proliferation of
 267 lymphocytes from immunized rabbits as measured by ^3H -thymidine incorporation. Concomitant
 268 stimulation of spleen cells with either peptide pools spanning the entire *PbCS* or *PfCS* proteins, or
 269 peptides representing to the repeat sequences of *PbCS* or *PfCS* proteins, or extracts of uninfected
 270 mosquito salivary gland material and *PbWT*, *PbVac* or *Pf* sporozoites allows for the direct
 271 comparison between intensity of response and consistency across biological replicates; The boxes
 272 correspond to the minimum and maximum data range; the line and bars indicate mean of infection
 273 and standard error of the mean, respectively.



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276 **Fig. S9.** Flow cytometry based assessment of cellular immune responses elicited upon
 277 immunization with *PbVac*.
 278 (A) Schematic illustration of the flow cytometry-based strategy employed for assessment of cell
 279 proliferation. Incorporation of the dye cell-trace violet by nascent generation of proliferating cells
 280 was quantified relative to the overall number of cells present within the parent population; (B) Flow
 281 cytometry-based assessment of overall proliferation of lymphocytes isolated from the spleens of
 282 immunized rabbits upon stimulation with *PbWT*, *PbVac* or *Pf* sporozoites. Stimulation with an
 283 extract of uninfected mosquito salivary gland material was used as negative control and
 284 stimulation with Concanavalin A as a positive control. (C) Flow cytometry-based assessment of
 285 CD4⁺ T cells proliferation in the spleens of immunized rabbits following stimulation with different
 286 sporozoite stimuli; The boxes correspond to the 25th and 75th percentiles; the line and bars indicate
 287 mean of infection and standard error of the mean, respectively; *, p<0.05; **, p< 0.01; ***,
 288 p<0.001, as determined by by Kruskal-Wallis test, corrected with Dunn's multiple comparisons test.

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296 **Table S1. Number of predicted CD8⁺ T cell strong binding epitopes^a**

Molecules	<i>P. falciparum</i>		<i>P. berguei</i>		Shared by <i>Pf</i> and <i>Pb</i>
	Nuclear	Total ^b	Nuclear	Total	
Epitopes ^c	769076	771579	265459	771579	24171 ^e
Proteins ^d	5515	5548	5027	5059	

297 ^aEpitopes with the top 0.5% of affinity binding prediction scores are considered strong binders. ^b

298 Total numbers are based on the sum of epitopes for nuclear and organelle-encoded proteins. ^c

299 Epitopes were predicted in the complete set of predicted proteins in *Pf* and *Pb*, consisting of 5548
300 and 5076 proteins, respectively; predictions were conducted with NetMHCpan, based on ten

301 representative alleles of the HLA-A and -B supertypes (**Table S4**). ^d Total number of proteins

302 containing predicted epitopes; virtually all proteins in each species contains one or more predicted

303 strong binding epitopes. ^e The 24171 epitopes shared between species are encoded in 3371 *Pf*

304 proteins and 3332 *Pb* proteins, of which 3223 are orthologous protein pairs (**Fig. SX**).

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308 **Table S2. HLA types and global frequencies used for CD8⁺ T Cell epitope predictions**

HLA Type ^a	Supertype	Worldwide, Allele Count	Worldwide Frequency
A01:01	A01	358,665	11.07
A02:02	A02	632,158	19.52
A03:01	A03	305,012	9.45
A24:02	A24	308,925	9.54
B07:02	B07	269,570	8.32
B08:01	B08	214,823	6.63
B15:01	B62	125,296	3.87
B27:05	B27	72,771	2.25
B44:02	B44	171,229	5.28
B58:01	B58	71,025	2.19

309 ^aFrequency of A and B HLA types based on a worldwide survey of 3,239,247 and 3,240,802
310 individuals, respectively. Information compiled from The Allele Frequency Net Database (accessed
311 on February 22, 2018).

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313 **Table S3. Primers for generation of DNA construct**
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DNA Construct	Primer	Primer sequences *	Restriction sites	fragment size (bp)	Description
pL1988	7244	ataagaat gcggccgc CAATTCATGATGAGAAAATTA GC	NotI	1,243	<i>Pf</i> CSP ORF R
	7240	gtgt caccggcg AGATGTGTTCTTTATCTAATTAAG G	SgrAI		<i>Pf</i> CSP ORF R
	7169	tat cctgcagg GTGATAGTGTAGATTTTTTTGTTGA C	SbfI	1,519	<i>Pb</i> UIS4 5'-UTR pro., F
	7170	ataagaat gcggccgc AGACGTAATAATTATGTGCTG AAAGG	NotI		<i>Pb</i> UIS4 5'-UTR pro.R
	7171	cg gata tcTATAATTCATTATGAGTAGTGTAATTC AG	EcoRV	1,025	<i>Pb</i> UIS4 3'-UTR, F
	7172	ggcc ggtacc TTTCGCTTTAATGCTTGTCATC	KpnI		<i>Pb</i> UIS4 3'-UTR, R

315 * **Red color:** Restriction site sequence

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317 **Table S4. Primers for genotyping *PbVac***

Primer	Description	Primer sequences *
1011	<i>PfCSP</i> F	cccgctcgagCGCCAATTCATGATGAGAAAATTAGC
1012	<i>PfCSP</i> R	ataagaatcgggcgcCTTTATCTAATTAAGGAACAAGAAGGATAATACC
1080	<i>Pb5'</i> UIS4 promoter integration F	ACTGTTATATTTGGTGATGGAATGG
1081	<i>Pb5'</i> UIS4 promoter integration R	TATACATCCACGGATGCATAGAAG
1082	<i>Pb3'</i> UIS4 UTR integration F	AACAGTGAAATATAAATATGAATGGAAGCAG
1083	<i>Pb3'</i> UIS4 UTR integration R	TTCAGTGAAATCGCAAACATAAGTATC
1048	hDHFR-yFCU (+/-SM) F	ATCATGCAAGACTTTGAAAAGTGAC
1049	hDHFR-yFCU (+/-SM) R	CATCGATTCACCAGCTCTGAC

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319 * Red color: Restriction site sequence

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