Single-component multilayered self-assembling protein nanoparticles presenting glycan-trimmed uncleaved prefusion optimized envelope trimers as HIV-1 vaccine candidates

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ABSTRACT (150 words)

Uncleaved prefusion-optimized (UFO) design represents a general solution for stabilizing HIV-1

envelope glycoprotein (Env) trimers. Single-component, self-assembling protein nanoparticles

(1c-SApNP) have been used to display optimized antigens as multivalent vaccine candidates. Here,

we characterized the biophysical, structural, and antigenic properties of 1c-SApNPs that present

the BG505 UFO trimer with wildtype and modified glycans. Glycan trimming improved HIV-1

Env recognition by broadly neutralizing antibodies (bNAbs) to the CD4 binding site and other

major glycan-containing epitopes, increased the frequency of vaccine responders (FVR) when

formulated with aluminum adjuvants, and steered antibody responses away from glycan-specific

immunodominant epitopes. The mechanism of vaccine-induced immunity was examined in mice.

Compared with the soluble trimer, two large 1c-SApNPs showed 420 times longer retention, 20-

32 times greater presentation on follicular dendritic cell dendrites, and up-to-4 times stronger

germinal center reactions in lymph node follicles. These findings can inform the next phase of

HIV-1 vaccine development.

ONE-SENTENCE SUMMARY (125 characters)

Glycan trimming enables HIV-1 Env immunogens to elicit antibodies that overcome the glycan

shield and improve the frequency of vaccine responders

INTRODUCTION

The HIV-1 envelope glycoprotein (Env) mediates cell entry and is the target of the host humoral immune response. Functional Env is a trimer of noncovalent gp120-gp41 heterodimers, which are generated from the proteolytic cleavage of a gp160 precursor (*1*). In addition to substantial genetic diversity caused by an error-prone reverse transcriptase (*2*), HIV-1 exploits two Env-dependent strategies to evade host immunity: (*i*) Env metastability causes Env misfolding, sheds gp120, and leaves gp41 stumps on the virus (*3*), and (*ii*) host-produced glycans form a dense "glycan shield" to mask the Env surface (*4*). Nonetheless, up to 30% of infected people eventually develop serum neutralization against the majority of circulating HIV-1 strains. Hundreds of broadly neutralizing antibodies (bNAbs) have been isolated from HIV-1-infected donors (*5*) and target seven different epitope regions on Env: the CD4 binding site (CD4bs), three peptide-glycan epitopes (located at the V2 apex, V3 base, and gp120-gp41 interface), silent face, fusion peptide (FP), and membrane-proximal external region (MPER) (*6, 7*). These bNAbs and the characterization of their epitopes have thus provided a number of templates for "antibody-guided" rational vaccine design (*8-11*).

The design and characterization of native-like Env trimers marked a milestone in modern HIV-1 research (*12, 13*). While gp120-derived constructs are still promising CD4bs immunogens (*14-18*), the ongoing HIV-1 vaccine efforts have largely shifted to Env trimers, as exemplified by SOSIP (*19-22*), native flexibly linked (NFL) (*23-25*), and uncleaved prefusion optimized (UFO) trimers (*26-28*). As the first rational trimer design, SOSIP transformed the HIV-1 vaccine field and generated a wealth of information on Env structure and immunogenicity (*29*). Both SOSIP and NFL are empirical designs that may require additional mutations to improve trimer stability (e.g., SOSIP.v9 (*30*)). In contrast, UFO eliminates the root cause of Env metastability with only two implementations, UFO and UFO-BG, which have been applied to diverse Envs (*26-28*). While

Env metastability can now be dealt with by these three trimer platforms, the glycan shield remains

a challenge due to its complex roles in Env-bNAb interactions (*31-36*). Liquid chromatography-

mass spectrometry (LC-MS) (*37-39*) and structural analysis by x-ray crystallography (*40-46*) and

cryo-electron microscopy (cryo-EM) (*47-49*) resulted in site-specific glycan profiles and atomic

details of bNAb-glycan interactions, respectively. These studies placed a premium on mimicking

the glycan shield of functional viral Env in vaccine design (*50*). Although "multistage" vaccine

strategies originated from the evolutionary analysis of bNAbs (*51*), glycans have become a major

consideration. Sequential Env immunogens with glycan deletion and reintroduction were designed

to guide B cell maturation toward bNAbs (*52-54*). Glycan-related immunodominance is another

compounding factor in bNAb elicitation using soluble trimers, as exemplified by glycan holes and

a neoepitope at the trimer base (*55, 56*). The former (small, exposed protein surfaces within the

glycan shield) are the primary target of autologous tier-2 NAbs in rabbits (*56-65*), whereas the

latter elicits non-neutralizing antibodies (nNAbs) in multiple species (*63, 66, 67*) and causes trimer

disassembly during immunization (*68*). In rodents, glycan epitopes at C3/V4 and C3/V5 accounted

for the autologous NAb response induced by BG505 Env (*69-71*). In nonhuman primates (NHPs),

the BG505 SOSIP trimer elicited an autologous NAb response to C3/465 (*60, 72*). Therefore, the

native-like trimer-induced autologous NAb response appears to be dominated by Env surfaces that

either lack or overexpress glycans, leading to contradictory views on the glycan shield in vaccine

design, i.e., glycan nativeness (*50*) *vs.* glycan removal or addition (*52-54, 73*). The manipulation

of individual glycans to minimize immunodominance or improve neutralization breadth proved to

be ineffective (*64*) and is unlikely to be a general solution for broadly protective vaccines.

Independent of Env design, the delivery of Env antigens in multimeric forms to mimic

virus-like particles (VLPs) has become a trend in recent vaccine research for HIV-1 (*74-77*) and

other viruses (*78-80*). With virus-like size and shape as well as a dense display of surface antigens,

VLPs can induce a more potent and long-lasting immune response than soluble antigens (*81-85*).

There are three major types of VLPs based on their chemical makeup: protein/lipid (e.g., enveloped

virus shells), protein-based (e.g., non-enveloped virus capsids and self-assembling proteins), and

lipid-based (e.g., liposomes). Protein nanoparticle (NP) engineering was the driving force in recent

technological advances in the vaccine field (*80*). Three technologies, SpyTag/SpyCatcher (termed

"SPY") (*86*), two-component NPs (2c-NP) (*87*), and single-component self-assembling protein

NPs (1c-SApNP) (*27, 88, 89*), have each been assessed for multiple viral targets. SPY utilizes an

isopeptide bond within a bacterial adhesin to covalently link antigens to VLPs or NPs (*90*). The

2c-NP and 1c-SA*p*NP platforms rely on in vitro (cell free) and in vivo (in producer cells) assembly,

respectively. In terms of vaccine production, SPY and 2c-NP achieve greater versatility at the price

of increased complexity and cost, as they both involve multiple plasmids, expression systems, and

purification methods. The 1c-SApNPs require a highly optimized antigen and NP carrier, which

are encoded within a single plasmid, to achieve manufacturability and quality (*91, 92*). VLPs and

NPs are more immunogenic because of their advantages in antigen trafficking to lymph nodes,

high-avidity follicular dendritic cell (FDC) interactions, antigen-presenting cell (APC) activation,

and germinal center (GC) reactions, which involve both innate and adaptive systems (*77, 93*). A

recent study of HIV-1 NP immunogens suggested that the density of the mannose patches is critical

for the FDC targeting of heavily glycosylated antigens (*94, 95*). Env trimers attached to iron oxide

NPs or aluminum salt have also been tested as multivalent HIV-1 vaccines (*96, 97*).

Here, we displayed the BG505 UFO trimer on multilayered 1c-SApNP platforms (*91, 92*)

as our second-generation vaccine candidates. A panel of Env-NP constructs was first designed for

biochemical, biophysical, and structural characterization to facilitate immunogen selection. Cryo-

EM yielded high-resolution structures for the multilayered E2p and I3-01v9 1c-SApNPs that each

present 20 BG505 UFO trimers, with localized reconstructions obtained for the trimer at 3.7 and

6.0 Å, respectively. Site-specific glycan analysis and antigenic profiling of the BG505 UFO trimer

and 1c-SApNPs bearing wildtype and modified glycans revealed distinct features. Unexpectedly,

endoglycosidase H (endo H) trimming of the glycan shield retained NP binding to NAbs/bNAbs

that require specific glycans for Env recognition and target the CD4bs. Negative-stain EM revealed

differential effects of glycan trimming on the angle of approach for bNAbs PGT128 and VRC01.

Next, we immunized mice and rabbits with UFO trimers and 1c-SApNPs bearing the wildtype and

trimmed glycans, which were formulated with conventional adjuvants. A prime-boost regimen that

administers glycan-trimmed and wildtype immunogens sequentially increased the frequency of

vaccine responders (FVR) in mice and diverged NAb responses away from glycan holes in rabbits,

providing a potential solution for mitigating glycan-related immunodominance. Lastly, we

analyzed vaccine delivery and immune responses at the intra-organ, intercellular, and intracellular

levels for the soluble trimer and 1c-SApNPs in mouse lymph nodes. E2p and I3-01v9 1c-SApNPs

showed 420 times longer follicular retention, 20-32 times greater presentation on FDC dendrites,

and up-to-4 times higher GC reactions than the trimer. Glycan trimming showed little effect on

1c-SA*p*NP trafficking to, and retention in, lymph nodes. Intact 1c-SApNPs and adjuvants in lymph

node tissues could be directly visualized by transmission electron microscopy (TEM). In summary,

our study presents a glycan trimming strategy to overcome the glycan shield challenges, in addition

to two BG505 UFO trimer-presenting 1c-SApNPs as HIV-1 vaccine candidates.

RESULTS

Rational design and characterization of BG505 UFO trimer-presenting 1c-SApNPs

In the UFO design paradigm, the N terminus of heptad repeat 1 (HR1$_N$, aa 547-569) is the trigger

of HIV-1 Env metastability and must be shortened and optimized (*26, 27*). Crystal structures were

determined for clade A, B, and C Envs bearing the HR1$_N$, UFO, and UFO-BG designs (*26, 27, 71,*

98). The HR1$_N$-redesigned BG505 trimer was displayed on ferritin (FR), E2p, and I3-01 NPs (*27,*

88). The reengineered I3-01, when formulated with a Toll-like receptor 3 (TLR3) agonist adjuvant,

elicited a potent tier 2 NAb response to HIV-1 in mice for the first time (*27, 71*). We have also

applied these NP platforms to design multivalent immunogens for other viruses (*89, 91, 92*).

Here we revisited the HIV-1 Env-NP vaccine design based on the high-resolution BG505

UFO trimer structure (*98*) and newly developed "multilayered" 1c-SApNP platforms (*91, 92*). We

first modeled the BG505 UFO trimer (PDB ID: 6UTK) on wildtype FR, E2p, and I3-01, resulting

in particles with diameters of 30.2, 41.7, and 46.1 nm, respectively (**Fig. 1A**). The redesigned 8-

aa HR1$_N$ bend ("NPDWLPDM") forms a 24-Å triangle in the center of each UFO trimer (**Fig. 1A**,

middle). For FR and E2p, the superposition of BG505 gp140 C termini onto the N termini yielded

C$_\alpha$ root-mean-square deviations (RMSDs) of 1.0 and 11.4 Å, respectively. A 3-aa "ASG" linker,

with "AS" resulting from the restriction site between the Env and NP genes, enabled the proper

display of Env trimers on FR and E2p. For I3-01, a 10-aa (G$_4$S)$_2$ linker was added to overcome the

large spacing (50.5 Å) between the N termini of three subunits around each three-fold axis (*27, 89,*

91, 92). We then examined the multilayered 1c-SApNP design concept using a modeling approach

(**Fig. 1B**). Previously, we incorporated a locking domain (LD) and a pan-reactive CD4$^+$ T-cell

epitope (PADRE) into E2p and I3-01 60-mers through gene fusion (*91, 92*). We hypothesize that

antigens will fold properly on the NP surface upon self-assembly, while the LD and PADRE may

form an inner layer and a hydrophobic core to stabilize the NP shell and deliver a strong T-helper

signal, respectively (**Fig. 1B**, left). E2p-LD4-PADRE, which was used as a carrier for EBOV GP

(*92*), was modeled to visualize the multilayered structure (**Fig. 1B**, right). Briefly, E2p forms a

protein shell of 23.2 nm with a distance of 12.8 nm across the hollow interior measured at the

inward-facing tip (G382). LD4, a 58-aa dimeric protein domain (PDB ID: 2MG4), was fused to

the C terminus of E2p at the dimeric NP-forming interface with a 5-aa G_4S linker, resulting in a

smaller protein shell of 14.4 nm when icosahedral symmetry was applied. A 13-aa PADRE with

an extended backbone was fused to the C terminus of LD4 with a 2-aa GS linker, resulting in a

hydrophobic core with a diameter of ~5 nm. Based on structural modeling, a set of multilayered

BG505 UFO Env-NP constructs was designed and advanced to experimental validation (*92*).

Nineteen BG505 UFO Env-NP constructs were transiently expressed in 100-ml ExpiCHO

cells followed by PGT145 purification and size-exclusion chromatography (SEC) on a Superose

6 column (**Fig. 1C**). Overall, the BG505 UFO trimer can be displayed on wildtype FR, E2p, and

I3-01 NPs with high purity. Similar to our previous study (*92*), seven LDs (1-7) and five LDs (4-

5 and 7-9) were tested for E2p and I3-01, respectively. E2p-LD4 and I3-01-LD7 showed the

highest NP yield among various NP-LD combinations. Adding PADRE increased the NP yield by

5.2- to 8.6-fold relative to the wildtype NPs, measured by ultraviolet (UV) absorbance at 280 nm.

I3-01v9, a variant of I3-01 (*27*), further improved NP yield by 24% based on the UV value. Seven

SEC-purified NPs were analyzed by sodium dodecyl sulfate–polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis

(SDS-PAGE) under reducing conditions (**Fig. 1D**). E2p and I3-01 registered higher bands than FR

on the gel (~150 kDa). These seven NP samples were then analyzed by blue native polyacrylamide

gel electrophoresis (BN-PAGE) (**Fig. 1E**). While FR displayed a distinctive NP band, none of the

E2p and I3-01 NPs migrated down from the chambers due to their large size. The SEC-purified

FR, E2p-LD4-PADRE (E2p-L4P), and I3-01v9-LD7-PADRE (I3-01v9-L7P) were visualized by

negative stain EM, which showed an array of trimeric spikes on the surface of well-formed NPs

(**Fig. 1F**). Thermostability was assessed by differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) (**Fig. 1G**, **Fig.**

S1A). The melting temperature (T_m) of the three NPs was in the range of 66.9-68.3°C, comparable

to, but slightly lower than, the T_m of the BG505 UFO trimer (68.4°C) (*27*). The multilayered E2p

NP displayed a second peak in the thermogram (T_{m2} = 74.0°C), suggesting a stepwise unfolding

process upon heating. The particle size distribution was characterized by dynamic light scattering

(DLS) using a Zetasizer (**Fig. 1H**, **Fig. S1B**). Ferritin and I3-01v9 had an average particle size of

43.7 and 50.8 nm, respectively, whereas E2p displayed a wide distribution (50.8-68.7 nm).

The in vitro assessment of EBOV GP-NP (*92*) and HIV-1 Env-NP constructs demonstrated

advantages of multilayered protein NPs. In this study, FR, E2p-L4P, and I3-01v9-L7P were used

to present the BG505 UFO trimer as particulate HIV-1 immunogens (**Fig. S1C**). DSC and DLS

suggested that the multilayered E2p may adopt two distinct states in solution. Nonetheless, the two

multilayered SApNPs provide a general platform for designing VLP vaccines.

Cryo-EM analysis of multilayered E2p and I3-01v9 NPs displaying the BG505 UFO trimer

Cryo-EM played an essential role in the determination of high-resolution structures of native-like

Env trimers (*47-49*). Recently, cryo-EM was used to characterize 2c-NPs that display diverse Env

trimers (*99-102*). In most cases, nanometer resolution was obtained for the NP backbone, with 4-

7 Å resolution achieved for the displayed trimers after localized reconstruction (*100, 101*). Here,

we characterized the two multilayered BG505 UFO trimer-presenting 1c-SApNPs by cryo-EM.

Prior to cryo-EM, the PGT145/SEC-purified BG505 UFO trimer-presenting E2p-L4P and

I3-01v9-L7P NP samples were analyzed by negative stain EM to confirm their homogeneity (**Fig.**

S2A). In the micrographs, most NPs displayed appropriate size and morphology with only minimal

quantities of free trimers and partially assembled/disassembled particles. We then applied cryo-

EM to characterize the two NP immunogens (**Fig. 2**), with the data processing protocol described

in the Methods section (*100, 101*) and data acquisition parameters listed in **Table S1**. The BG505

UFO trimers are attached to the E2p and I3-01v9 scaffolds using peptide linkers (**Fig. S1C**). Due

to conformational flexibility, the antigen-corresponding signal (or density) was scattered in the 2D

classes and initial 3D maps (**Fig. 2A-B**, top left). Consequently, we were unable to reconstruct

high-resolution maps of full BG505 UFO trimer-presenting E2p-L4P and I3-01v9-L7P NPs. To

overcome this problem, we applied a previously developed data processing method, in which two

flexibly linked entities (i.e., the NP scaffold and Env trimer here) are analyzed independently

(*100*). The resulting maps are represented as a transparent gray mesh (**Fig. 2A-B**). The E2p-L4P

NP consists of the E2p shell (based on dihydrolipoyl transacetylase, PDB ID: 1B5S (*103*)), LD4

layer (PDB ID: 2MG4), and PADRE core (**Fig. 1B**). Focused refinement of the NP core converged

on the E2p shell, resulting in a 3.7 Å EM map; and the E2p model was then relaxed into the map

(**Fig. 2A**, right). The resulting structure displayed excellent agreement with the crystal structure of

this bacterial enzyme (*103*) with a C_α RMSD of 0.9 Å, suggesting a negligible effect of the surface-

displayed trimers and encapsulated LD4 layer and PADRE core on particle assembly. Although

additional density at the core of the NP and along the five-fold axes was observed in the EM map,

attempts to resolve their structures were unsuccessful (**Fig. S2B-C**). Therefore, although LD4 and

PADRE can significantly improve NP expression (**Fig. 1C**), they appear to have a highly flexible

structure. Based on the EM data, the LD4s may not assemble into a tightly knit shell as depicted

by computational modeling (**Fig. 1B**) and likely interact with each other in a less well-organized

fashion. The I3-01v9-L7P NP exhibited inherent flexibility due to the 10-aa GS linkers connecting

the surface trimers and NP backbone, resulting in relatively low-resolution EM maps. Nonetheless,

good fits were obtained by docking the structures of I3-01 (PDB ID: 5KP9 (*104*)) and BG505 UFO

trimer (PDB ID: 6UTK (*98*)) into the corresponding maps (**Fig. 2B**).

Altogether, cryo-EM confirmed the correct assembly of two multilayered 1c-SApNPs and

native-like structural features of surface-displayed BG505 UFO trimers. Given the wide particle

size distribution (**Fig. 1H**), we speculate that both our cryo-EM model and the previously reported

crystal structure (*103*) captured the ground state of E2p, in which the N-terminal loop (A184-S203)

is packed against the NP surface and E2p adopts the most compact NP conformation.

Site-specific glycan analysis of BG505 UFO immunogens with wildtype and modified glycans

The glycan shield is a defense mechanism used by HIV-1 to escape antibody neutralization (*4*).

However, the identification of glycan-reactive bNAbs (*6*) suggests that it can be exploited as a

vaccine target (*32, 33, 36*). The structure of the glycan shield has been extensively characterized

to facilitate rational vaccine design (*31*). Here, we determined the site-specific glycan profiles for

BG505 UFO trimers and NPs using LC-MS and a previously established protocol (*27, 71*).

Wildtype BG505 UFO Env glycosylation (**Fig. 3A**, **Fig. S3A**) is consistent with previous

reports on other BG505 Envs (*27, 38*). The trimer-associated mannose patches (TAMPs) at N156,

N160, N276, and N301 present primarily oligomannose-type glycans, suggesting correct folding

of the Env-NP fusion protein. This processing state is conserved across all samples, indicating that

particulate display does not disrupt glycan processing near the trimer apex. The intrinsic mannose

patch (IMP) around N332 consists of predominantly $Man_9GlcNAc_2$ glycans (*27, 38*). This pattern

was observed for all samples tested, demonstrating that the presentation of this glycan supersite is

unaffected by multivalent NP display. Complex-type glycans can be found at gp120 N88, N185e,

N301/N355 (although high mannose predominates), N398, N462, and across the N611, N618, and

N637 glycans on gp41 (**Fig. S3A**) (*27, 38*). Several potential *N*-linked glycosylation sites (PNGS)

lack an attached glycan at a proportion of the sites. For example, N133, N137, N185e, and N197

on gp120 are underoccupied, similar to the BG505 SOSIP trimer (*50*). Treatment with swainsonine

did not enrich hybrid-type glycans as expected from glycosidase inhibition, with a nearly identical

glycan profile to the wildtype trimer (**Fig. 3A**, **Fig. S3B**). Treatment with kifunensine produced

predominantly $Man_9GlcNAc_2$ glycans at most sites, with the exception of certain sites that were

still occupied by $Man_{5-8}GlcNAc_2$ due to mannosidase trimming (**Fig. 3A, Fig. S3C**).

BG505 UFO trimer-presenting SApNPs behaved similarly in terms of glycan processing

and occupancy (**Fig. 3A**, **Fig. S3D-F**). Moderate differences were noted for N133 and N137, where

FR is less occupied than E2p and I3-01v9, whereas the same FR sample is more occupied at N185h

compared to all other samples. However, soluble trimers and SApNPs showed markedly different

glycan profiles. Variations in glycan occupancy were noted for N133, N137, N185e, N185h and

N197 on gp120. Trimers were less occupied than SApNPs at all four glycan sites on gp41. This

pattern was most pronounced for N625, showing a ~50% increase in occupancy for three SApNPs.

Since glycan occupancy normally decreases toward the C terminus (*105*), a possible explanation

is that the NP subunit in effect shifts the relative position of gp41 and becomes the new C terminus

of the Env-NP fusion protein. Nevertheless, the increased glycan occupancy on gp41 will likely

be beneficial and diminish the elicitation or binding of nNAbs to the gp41 base and perhaps the

NP backbone. The processing of oligomannose-type glycans also differs between soluble trimers

and NPs, especially for sites outside the mannose patches. Two gp120 sites, N88 and N462, which

present complex-type glycans on soluble trimers, are less processed on NPs (e.g., N88 shifts from

25% to 90% oligomannose-type glycans). Restricted glycan processing was also observed for the

gp41 sites located proximal to the base of the NP-displayed Envs. The glycan presented at these

gp41 sites is $Man_5GlcNAc_2$, not unprocessed $Man_9GlcNAc_2$ or a complex-type glycan.

Endoglycosidase H (endo H) cleaves the chitobiose core of oligomannose- and hybrid-type

glycans and leaves a single GlcNAc residue attached to the asparagine. Endo H has been used in

the glycan analysis of diverse HIV-1 Envs (*39*). Here, the PGT145/SEC-purified E2p and I3-01v9

SApNPs were treated by endo Hf (a fusion of endo H and maltose-binding protein [MBP]) at 25°C

for 5 hours and purified again by SEC (**Fig. 3B**). Due to the significant difference in their molecular

weights, endo Hf appears as a well-separated peak in the SEC profile. Reducing SDS-PAGE

showed lower bands for the E2p and I3-01v9 SApNPs after endo H treatment (**Fig. 3C**), with the

structural integrity of glycan-trimmed SApNPs confirmed by negative stain EM (**Fig. 3D**).

Comparable T_m values from DSC suggest that glycan trimming has little to no effect on the

thermostability of SApNPs (**Fig. 3E**). Lastly, the glycan-trimmed and then SEC-purified SApNPs

were analyzed by LC-MS, showing the conversion of most oligomannose- and hybrid-type glycans

to a single GlcNAc residue (**Fig. 3F**, **Fig. S3G-H**). However, a rapid enzyme-linked

immunosorbent assay (ELISA) using an MBP-specific mouse antibody detected residual endo Hf

in SEC-purified SApNPs (**Fig. S3I**), which might still be able to trim glycans off the Env peptides

during LC-MS. To this end, reducing SDS-PAGE was used to analyze SApNPs treated with endo

H at 25°C *vs.* 37°C after 100°C denaturation (**Fig. 3G**). The denatured material showed the lowest

band on the gel, suggesting that some glycans are protected by the Env structure.

Antigenicity of BG505 UFO immunogens with wildtype and modified glycans

Native-like Env trimers of diverse origins that contain the modified $HR1_N$ bend or full UFO/UFO-

BG designs have been assessed against panels of bNAbs and nNAbs (*26-28*). Here, BG505 UFO

trimers and SApNPs with wildtype and modified glycans were tested for antibody binding using

bio-layer interferometry (BLI). The previously established 19-antibody panel (*27*) was extended

to include human bNAbs 438-B11 and VRC34, which target the N332 supersite (*98*) and FP (*106*),

respectively, and a potent mouse NAb, M4H2K1, which binds the C3/V4 region (*71*).

The peak antibody-binding signals were summarized according to immunogen valency

(trimer *vs.* NP) and glycan treatment (wildtype *vs*. kifunensine *vs*. endo H) (**Fig. 4A** and **Fig. S4**).

Analytical sensors were used for soluble trimers in the Octet experiments (**Fig. 4A**, top). Overall,

the wildtype BG505 UFO Env preferentially bound to (b)NAbs and not nNAbs, with the exception

of 19b and 446-52D, which target the immunodominant V3 tip (**Fig. S4A**). Kifunensine treatment

reduced Env binding to (b)NAbs that either interact with, or require the accommodation of, glycans

(**Fig. S4B**). PGT151, a bNAb that interacts with complex-type glycans at N611 and N637 (*47,*

107-109), showed undetectable binding to the BG505 UFO Env that displays unprocessed glycans

at these two sites. VRC01 binding was made more difficult by the modified glycan barrier around

the CD4bs due to the inhibition of ER α mannosidase I in CHO cells. Endo H treatment resulted

in an overall reduction of Env binding to glycan-reactive (b)NAbs (**Fig. S4C**). Compared with the

apex bNAbs, glycan trimming had a less severe but still noticeable impact on bNAbs to the glycan-

V3 supersite (e.g., PGT121 and PGT128), which interact with the GDIR motif and high-mannose

glycans at N332 and N301 (*44, 48, 110*). PGT151 barely recognized the glycan-trimmed BG505

UFO Env. Endo H treatment largely retained accessibility of the CD4bs to the VRC01 bNAb (*111,*

112) upon trimming of the glycan barrier surrounding this proteinaceous surface.

Antigenicity was then determined for three SApNPs displaying wildtype and modified Env

glycans, with respective trimers included as a control (**Fig. 4A**, bottom). The quantitation sensors

were utilized in these Octet assays to measure the avidity effect (*91, 92*). Wildtype SApNPs (**Fig.**

S4D-G) bound at elevated levels to (b)NAbs that target the V2 apex (×2.5-4.7), N332 supersite

(×2.0-3.9), and CD4bs (×1.4-1.6) and at reduced levels to (b)NAbs that recognize the FP (×0.4-

0.6) and gp120/gp41 interface (×0.2-0.7). When tested against nNAbs, enhanced binding was only

observed for the V3 tip (×2.6-4.0) but not the non-neutralizing CD4bs, CD4-induced (CD4i), and

gp41 epitopes. Thus, the multivalent display can exert a positive influence, as well as structural

constraints, on antibody recognition of an Env epitope depending on the location and accessibility

of this epitope on the NP surface (*27, 88, 100, 101*). Notably, the wildtype SApNPs only displayed

a moderate increase in VRC01 binding with a slow on-rate, suggesting the CD4bs is more occluded

compared to the V2 apex and glycan-V3 supersite on the NP surface. SApNPs bearing unprocessed

$Man_9GlcNAc_2$ glycans exhibited similar antigenic profiles (**Fig. S4H-K**) to wildtype SApNPs,

showing slightly lower binding signals across the antibody panel. Similar to the trimer presenting

unprocessed glycans, no PGT151 binding was observed, consistent with the specificity of PGT151

for complex-type glycans at N611 and N637. A similar but less severe effect was noted for VRC34,

which interacts with the N terminus of FP and the complex-type N88 glycan (*106*). Endo H-treated

SApNPs (**Fig. S4L-O**) demonstrated unique antigenic profiles, with markedly improved VRC01

binding (×2.0-2.3). Slightly lower binding signals were observed for most glycan-specific (b)NAbs

with the exception of two. PG16 binds to a high-mannose glycan at N160 and a hybrid-type glycan

at N173 (*41*). While the wildtype SApNPs bound to PG16 with signals 3.4-4.6-fold relative to the

trimer, glycan trimming showed a fold change of 19-25. PGT135 binding requires $ManGlcNAc_2$

at N386, $Man_6GlcNAc_2$ at N332, and $Man_8GlcNAc_2$ at N392 (*113*). The glycan-trimmed SApNPs

showed higher PGT135-binding signals than the wildtype SApNPs, 2.3-2.8 and 2.0-2.4-fold with

respect to their trimers. PGT151 binding was barely detectable for three SApNPs, but increased

binding was observed for another interface bNAb, 35O22 (*114*), and for the FP bNAb, VRC34

(*106*), due to the increased epitope accessibility after endo H treatment. Two nNAbs to the V3 tip,

19b and 446-52D, bound to glycan-trimmed SApNPs at comparable levels to wildtype SApNPs.

Negative stain EM was utilized to characterize bNAb interactions with the glycan-trimmed

BG505 UFO trimer (**Fig. 4B**, **Fig. S4P**). PGT128 binds the V3 base and high-mannose glycans at

N295 (absolutely required) and N301 or N332 (*44, 48, 115*). Previous structures suggest that the

mannose moieties of these glycans serve as anchors to orientate and stabilize the interaction with

PGT128 Fab, which binds the "GDIR" motif with the HCDR2 and HCDR3 tips (*44, 48*). The

removal of mannose groups at these three sites may destabilize PGT128 and affect its angle of

approach. Indeed, one endo H-treated BG505 UFO trimer could bind to one to three PGT128 Fabs,

with less resolved density for the bound Fabs in the 2D class averages (**Fig. 4B**). Comparison with

the cryo-EM model of the BG505 SOSIP/PGT128 complex (EMDB-3121 (*48*)) confirmed that

PGT128, albeit with greater flexibility, still bound to the same epitope. However, the angle of

approach could not be determined in this EM analysis. VRC01 targets a large proteinaceous area

of the CD4bs protected by a ring of glycans with the N276 glycan positioned as a critical barrier

to the development of VRC01-class bNAbs (*111, 112, 116, 117*). Trimming the glycan shield can

in principle improve the CD4bs recognition by VRC01-class bNAbs. Indeed, we obtained a 12.4

Å-resolution 3D model of the BG505 UFO/VRC01 complex, which superimposes well with the

previous EM models of BG505 SOSIP/VRC01 complexes (*118, 119*) (**Fig. 4C**).

BLI demonstrated a cross-panel improvement in bNAb binding to SApNPs compared with

soluble trimers, consistent with our previous studies (*27, 89, 91, 92*). Glycan trimming retained

bNAb binding to major glycan epitopes on the NP-displayed Env and improved recognition of the

CD4bs by VRC01-class bNAbs. Negative-stain EM confirmed that bNAbs PGT128 and VRC01

could still recognize their epitopes on the glycan-trimmed Env trimer. Altogether, glycan-trimmed

SApNPs may provide more effective immunogens due to more balanced epitope accessibility.

Assessment of HIV-1 UFO Env immunogens with wildtype glycans in mice and rabbits

While BG505 SOSIP and HR1$_N$-redesigned trimers were ineffective in NAb induction in mice (*27,*

55), a reengineered I3-01 NP displaying the HR1$_N$-redesigned trimer elicited potent tier 2 murine

NAbs to the C3/V4 epitope (*27, 71*). Recently, an autologous tier 2 NAb response was induced in

mice by iron oxide NP (IO-NP)-attached SOSIP trimers (*96*) and a DNA trimer vaccine (*70*), both

using long-boost intervals. In contrast to the challenges encountered in mice, native-like trimers

can readily elicit tier 2 NAbs in rabbits but mostly to specific holes in the glycan shield (*56*).

We first assessed wildtype BG505 UFO immunogens formulated with three commonly

used adjuvants in mice. We adopted an immunization protocol used in our previous vaccine studies

(*27, 89, 91, 92, 120*) (**Fig. 5A**). In brief, groups of eight mice were immunized four times at 3-

week intervals. SApNPs (30 µg/dose) were formulated with AddaVax (AV), aluminum phosphate

(AP), and aluminum hydroxide (AH). A non-adjuvanted group and a heterologous AV×2/AP×2

group were included as a negative control and for comparison, respectively. We performed TZM-

bl neutralization assays using purified mouse immunoglobulin G (IgG) from the last time point,

week 11 (**Fig. 5B**, **Fig. S5A**). Without adjuvant, both SApNPs failed to elicit tier 2 NAb responses

to BG505.T332N but I3-01v9 appeared to be more effective against a tier 1 clade B virus, SF162

(**Fig. S5A**, middle). E2p mixed with AV or AP and I3-01v9 mixed with AP or AH each showed

tier 2 NAb induction in one of the eight mice, with half maximal inhibitory concentration (IC$_{50}$)

values of 200, 90, 21 and 36 µg/ml, respectively (**Fig. S5A**, top). However, switching the adjuvant

during the immunization proved ineffective. Adjuvanted SApNPs induced a robust tier 1 NAb

response (**Fig. 5A**, middle). When tested against a BG505 variant with a C3/V4 epitope knockout

mutation, I396R (**Fig. 5C, Fig. S5B**), reduced neutralization (by 45-82%) was noted for all four

mice that generated tier 2 NAb responses, suggesting that M4H2K1-like NAbs (*71*) may be present

in the serum. The remaining neutralizing activity may be attributed to C3/V5 (*70*) and other Env

epitopes. As a negative control, purified IgG from three tier 2 positive mice was tested against

pseudoparticles (pps) bearing the murine leukemia virus (MLV) Env, MLV-pps. Nonspecific

MLV-pp neutralization was not detected (**Fig. S5A**, bottom). Borderline neutralization of clade A

398F1 was observed in the TZM-bl assays against a 12-virus global panel (**Fig. S5C**).

We then tested an extended set of wildtype UFO immunogens in rabbits. Briefly, groups

of six rabbits were immunized three times at weeks 0, 8, and 24 with blood draws at 12 time points

throughout immunization (**Fig. 5D**). All antigens (100 μg per dose) were mixed with AV except

for I3-01v9 SApNPs, which were paired with AP. While the BG505 UFO trimer and its SApNPs

(FR, E2p, and I3-01v9) were the main focus of this rabbit study, a cocktail mixing equal amounts

(33 μg per dose) of SApNPs that present clade A BG505 UFO, clade B H078.14 UFO-BG, and

clade C CH505 UFO-BG trimers was created for each NP platform, resulting in seven groups in

total. Longitudinal NAb responses of rabbit sera to BG505.T332N, as measured by 50% inhibitory

dilution (ID_{50}) titers, were examined (**Fig. 5E**). While the overall kinetics were similar across all

groups, the cocktail groups exhibited an NP platform-dependent pattern in their NAb responses to

BG505.T332N. Reducing the BG505 dose to one-third for each cocktail formulation had negative

and negligible effects for FR and I3-01v9, respectively. The tier 2 NAb response became detectable

at week 10 (**Fig. 5E**, above dotted line). The ID50 titers reached the highest point at week 26, with

both I3-01v9 groups outperforming the BG505 UFO trimer, FR cocktail, and both E2p groups

(**Fig. 5E**, **Fig. S5D**). The advantage of particulate display was also evident when a tier 1 clade B

SF162 was tested, with a detectable response first observed at week 4 for the two I3-01v9 groups

(**Fig. S5E**). Rabbit samples at weeks 0, 2, 10, and 26 displayed no MLV-pp neutralization (**Fig.**

S5F). We then investigated the prevalence of glycan hole NAbs in the total polyclonal NAb

response. Plasma neutralization against four BG505.T332N mutants, Q130N, S241N, P291T, and

T465N as previously described (*71*), was tested for select samples (**Fig. 5F**). Filling glycan holes

could partially deplete neutralizing activity, consistent with our previous findings (*71*). The trimer

group exhibited a more visible reduction of percent neutralization against the 130/241/289 glycan

mutants, whereas particulate display expanded the autologous NAb response, with the glycan hole

at position 465 becoming a more prevalent target of the response. Finally, all SApNPs failed to

generate a strong cross-clade NAb response to other tier 2 isolates in a 12-virus global panel and,

in particular, no advantage in breadth was seen for the Env mixture vaccines (**Fig. S5G**).

Assessment of BG505 UFO Env immunogens with trimmed glycans in mice and rabbits

We investigated how glycan trimming affects Env-elicited NAb responses in mice and rabbits by

testing a homologous regimen ("regimen 1") with glycan-trimmed immunogens in all doses and a

heterologous prime-boost regimen ("regimen 2") with glycan-trimmed and wildtype immunogens

in doses 1-2 and 3-4, respectively (**Fig. 6A**). The ExpiCHO-produced BG505 UFO trimer was

treated with endo Hf and purified by SEC and an additional resin step (see Methods). Eight and

five CHO-K1 cell clones were developed to stably express BG505 UFO trimer-presenting E2p and

I3-01v9 SApNPs, respectively. The SApNPs produced by individual cell clones were structurally

evaluated by negative-stain EM (**Fig. S6A**) and then pooled for endo H treatment.

In the mouse study, groups of eight BALB/c mice were immunized four times, at three-

week intervals. The BG505 UFO trimer and SApNPs (30 μg per dose) were formulated with AV

or AP adjuvants, with the immunization experiment repeated for some formulation/regimen groups

to confirm their immunogenicity. The frequency of vaccine responders (FVR, the ratio of subjects

that generate an autologous tier 2 NAb response) was calculated for comparison. Overall, glycan

trimming (GT) by endo H substantially improved the FVR for the UFO trimer (FVR up to 86%;

Fig. 6B, left), E2p SApNP (up to 88%; **Fig. 6B**, middle), and I3-01v9 SApNP (up to 50%; **Fig.**

6B, right), in addition to the improved IC$_{50}$ values and less within-group variation compared with

the equivalent formulations using wildtype immunogens (**Fig. S6B-D**). The AP adjuvant was

found to be associated with a higher FVR regardless of the Env immunogens tested, while regimen

2 (two GT primes + two WT boosts) appeared to have a slight advantage for the two SApNP/AP

formulations. To be consistent with wildtype Env immunization (**Fig. 5**), four SApNP groups that

tested the E2p/AV and I3-01v9/AP formulations in regimens 1 and 2 were selected for further

analysis. Two UFO trimer/AP groups and two E2p/AP groups (regimen 1 and 2 for both) were

included in some analyses for comparison. Similar to the improved neutralization against tier 2

clade A BG505.T332N, glycan trimming also increased the tier 1 NAb response against clade B

SF162 while showing no nonspecific MLV reactivity in TZM-bl assays (**Fig. S6B-D**). We then

tested a BG505.T332N variant with the C3/V4 epitope knockout mutation on the aforementioned

eight groups (**Fig. 6C, Fig. S6E**). Interestingly, most mice from the SApNP groups escaped this

immunodominant glycan epitope, in contrast to those in the trimer groups, which still targeted the

C3/V4 epitope. The vaccine responders from the E2p/AV and I3-01v9/AP groups, subject to IgG

sample availability, were further tested against a 12-virus global panel (**Fig. S6F**). The IC$_{50}$ titers

showed borderline neutralization against 398 F1 (clade A) and CNE8 (CRF01 AE), while the less

stringent IC$_{30}$ titers confirmed the advantages of the I3-01v9/AP over E2p/AV formulation.

A rapid screening study was performed in rabbits following the mouse protocol (**Fig. 6A**).

Four groups of six rabbits were immunized to compare the E2p/AV and I3-01v9/AP formulations

each combined with regimens 1 and 2. While purified IgG at week 0 exhibited a clean background

(**Fig. S6G**), purified IgG at week 11 neutralized autologous tier 2 BG505.T332N with patterns

largely resembling the mouse study. (**Fig. 6D, Fig. S6H**). Namely, BG505 I3-01v9 formulated

with AP outperformed E2p paired with AV, and, between the two I3-01v9 groups, regimen 2 was

slightly more effective than regimen 1 with a higher FVR (4 *vs.* 3 respectively; **Fig. 6E**). Similar to the mouse study, purified IgG samples from weeks 0 and 11 were also tested in TZM-bl assays against tier 1 clade B SF162 and the negative control, MLV (**Fig. S6G and H**). We then analyzed the prevalence of glycan hole NAbs in select rabbit samples from each group (**Fig. 6F, Fig. S6I**). Interestingly, purified IgG samples from the BG505 I3-01v9 regimen 2 group exhibited notably more complete escape from the four glycan holes, supporting our notion that glycan trimming may offer a general solution to overcome glycan holes in Env immunization. Lastly, select rabbit IgG samples were tested against the 12-virus global panel (**Fig. S6J**), but the IC_{50}/IC_{30} titers showed less pronounced cross-clade NAb responses compared with the mouse data (**Fig. S6F**).

Our results revealed the importance of glycan trimming in improving the immunogenicity of HIV-1 Env vaccines in both trimer and NP forms. The 50-86% FVR noted for glycan-trimmed trimer groups was rather surprising, given the past failures in tier 2 NAb elicitation by stabilized BG505 trimers (*27, 55*) and difficulties in improving it (*70, 96*). Glycan trimming not only enabled antibody access to a broad range of epitopes that would otherwise be occluded by the glycan shield but also minimized glycan-related immunodominance (e.g., glycan holes and clusters). Boosting with wildtype Env glycans may fine-tune NAb responses induced by the glycan-trimmed Env.

Distribution, trafficking, and retention of HIV-1 Env trimers and SApNPs in lymph nodes

Following a similar protocol (*120*), we studied the in vivo behavior of the wildtype BG505 UFO trimer and SApNPs E2p and I3-01v9 to understand how they interact with immune cells and induce immune responses. The endo H-treated I3-01v9 SApNP was included to probe the effect of glycan trimming on the immunological characteristics of SApNPs. To induce a robust humoral response, these vaccines must be transported to lymph nodes, accumulate in follicles, retain and present native-like Env, and engage B cell receptors (BCRs) (*121-123*). Here, we first examined the

transport and distribution of BG505 UFO trimer-presenting SApNPs in lymph nodes via footpad

injections (4×10 μg/footpad). Mice were euthanized at 12 hours after a single-dose injection to

isolate brachial and popliteal sentinel lymph nodes for histological analysis. Immunostaining by

human bNAbs VRC01(*112*), PGT124 (*124*), and PGDM1400 (*125*) was used to detect the BG505

UFO Env presented on the SApNPs in lymph node tissue sections (**Fig. 7A**). Consistent with our

previous studies of SARS-CoV-2 spike SApNPs (*120*) and ovalbumin-conjugated gold NPs (*126*),

BG505 UFO trimer-presenting SApNPs accumulated in the centers of lymph node follicles at 12

hours after a single-dose injection (**Fig. 7A**, images on the left; **Fig. 7B**, schematics on the right).

Immunostaining images obtained from all three bNAbs demonstrate similar distributions in lymph

nodes (**Fig. 7A-B**, **Fig. S7A-B**). VRC01 (*112*) was selected to study the trafficking of four BG505

Env immunogens in lymph nodes because of its optimal signal-to-noise ratio.

We next determined the trafficking and retention patterns of the BG505 UFO trimer and

three SApNPs in lymph node follicles 30 minutes to 8 weeks after a single-dose injection (4×10

μg/footpad) (**Fig. 7C**). The injected dose was normalized to 40 μg of protein per mouse, or 10 μg

protein per footpad. Histological images indicated that both the BG505 UFO trimer and SApNPs

were transported into lymph nodes and accumulated in the subcapsular sinus within 30 minutes

(**Fig. 7C**). The BG505 UFO trimer was trafficked into lymph node follicles at 2 hours and cleared

within 12 hours. In contrast, the three SApNPs first appeared in lymph node follicles at 2 hours,

further accumulated at 12 hours, peaked at 48 hours, and remained detectable over a period of 5-8

weeks (**Fig. 7C**). The VRC01-stained area was quantified in a time-dependent manner, showing a

~420-times longer retention for the three SApNPs *vs*. the soluble trimer (**Fig. 7C-D**). The area

under the curve (AUC) suggested that the exposure of SApNPs in lymph node follicles is 20-32

times higher than the soluble trimer (**Fig. 7E**). At 48 hours, a significantly greater accumulation,

46-66 times, was found when the BG505 UFO trimer was presented multivalently (**Fig. 7F**). These

findings are consistent with our previous studies (*120, 126*), in which small 5-15 nm particles are

cleared from the follicles within 48 hours but large 50-100 nm particles can persist for weeks. The

BG505 UFO trimer-presenting SApNPs displayed distinctively long retention compared with the

SARS-CoV-2 spike SApNPs (5-8 weeks *vs.* ~2 weeks), which correlates well with their antigen

thermostability (T_m), 68.4°C for the BG505 UFO Env *vs.* 47.6°C for the S2GΔHR2 spike (*27, 91*),

respectively. We also noted that trimming the glycan shield had very little impact on SApNP

distribution, trafficking, and retention in lymph nodes, in contrast to a recent report (*95*).

Antigen retention and presentation in lymph node follicles are critical for B cell stimulation

and affinity maturation through GC reactions (*121, 127*). FDCs form a network structure and play

roles in antigen collection and presentation in the center of lymph node follicles (*122, 123*). FDCs

retain soluble antigens, immune complexes, virus-like particles, viruses, and bacteria, and induce

GC initiation and maintenance (*122, 126, 128-130*). Based on our previous studies (*120, 126*), we

hypothesized that FDC networks are the major resident places for these BG505 Env immunogens.

To test this hypothesis, we injected mice with the UFO trimer and three SApNPs through footpads

(4×10 µg/footpad). Mice were sacrificed to collect sentinel lymph nodes at the peak of SApNP

accumulation (48 hours) and other timepoints (30 minutes to 8 weeks) after a single-dose injection

(**Fig. 7G, Fig. S7C-I**). Lymph node tissues were stained with bNAb VRC01 (*131*) for BG505 Env

(white), anti-CD21 antibodies for FDCs (green), and anti-CD169 antibodies for subcapsular sinus

macrophages (red). The signals of SApNPs colocalized with FDC (CD21$^+$) networks in lymph

node follicles at 48 hours (**Fig. 7G**), confirming the crucial role of FDC networks in mediating the

accumulation and retention of various Env immunogens in lymph node follicles.

How HIV-1 Env SApNPs interact with FDCs and phagocytic cells in lymph nodes

FDC networks create areas of high antigen density in lymph node follicles to facilitate effective

BCR crosslinking, B cell activation, and GC reactions (*77, 121, 122*). Our TEM analysis revealed

that FDCs can align ovalbumin-conjugated gold NPs (*126*) and SARS-CoV-2 spike-presenting

SApNPs (*120*) on their surfaces or dendrites through interactions between complement protein 3

(C3) and complement receptor 2 (CR2) (*126*). B cells are embraced by long FDC dendrites to

maximize interactions between multivalently displayed antigens and BCRs (*120, 126*). Here, we

studied the interface between FDC dendrites and B cells to better understand how FDCs process

HIV-1 SApNPs formulated with adjuvants to engage B cells. We injected mice with AV- or AP-

formulated SApNPs through their hind footpads (2×50 µg/footpad) (**Fig. 8A-F**, **Fig. S8A-V**). Fresh

popliteal sentinel lymph nodes were isolated at 2, 12 and 48 hours after a single-dose injection and

processed immediately for TEM analysis. The TEM images showed that FDC dendrites embrace

and interact with B cells in lymph node follicles (**Fig. 8A-C**, **Fig. S8A-M**). A large number of

intact E2p SApNPs (round-shaped granules, yellow arrows) and AV particles (oil-in-water nano-

emulsion of ~150 nm in size, green arrows) were aligned on FDC dendrites and B cell surfaces at

2, 12, and 48 hours (**Fig. 8A**, **Fig. S8A-C**). Notably, few E2p SApNPs were internalized in the

endolysosomes of B cells at 48 hours (**Fig. S8C**). I3-01v9 SApNPs (yellow arrows), wildtype and

glycan-trimmed alike, were similarly aligned on the FDC dendrites and B cell surfaces at 2, 12,

and 48 hours, without the colocalization of AP adjuvants (**Fig. 8B-C**, **Fig. S8D-I**).

Phagocytic cells, such as macrophages and dendritic cells in the subcapsular sinus and

medullary sinus of lymph nodes, capture large particles, immune complexes, viruses and bacteria

and transport them to migrating B cells and deposit them on the surface of FDCs via a complement

receptor-dependent mechanism (*122, 123, 132-134*). These immune cell populations also serve as

APCs that can further promote adaptive immunity. Here, we studied the association between

macrophages and adjuvanted SApNPs (**Fig. 8D-F**, **Fig. S8N-V**). E2p SApNPs and AV adjuvant

particles are colocalized and aligned on the surface or inside the endolysosomes of medullary sinus

macrophages at 2 hours (**Fig. 8D**, **Fig. S8N**). Wildtype and glycan-trimmed I3-01v9 SApNPs

behaved similarly to E2p SApNPs, with AP forming visible aggregates inside the endolysosomes

of macrophages and in the extracellular matrix (**Fig. 8E**, **Fig. S8O-U**).

Our results reveal how BG505 UFO trimer-presenting SApNPs associate with adjuvants in

the intercellular and intracellular compartments of lymph nodes. Three SApNPs showed similar

patterns of interaction with FDC networks, B cells, and phagocytic cells. Two common adjuvants

with different chemical properties, AV and AP, interact with cells in lymph nodes through different

immune pathways. FDC networks can retain SApNPs on long FDC dendrites and present them to

naïve B cells, which is an intrinsic feature independent of adjuvants (**Fig. S8J-K**).

HIV-1 Env SApNPs induce more robust germinal center reactions than soluble trimers

B cell somatic hypermutation, selection and affinity maturation occur in long-lived GCs and lead

to the formation of immune memory and development of (b)NAbs upon vaccination (*129, 135-*

138). Here, we studied whether the long-term retention of BG505 UFO trimer-presenting E2p and

I3-01v9 SApNPs can induce more robust and long-lived GCs in follicles than the soluble UFO

trimer. We first assessed GC reactions induced by wildtype I3-01v9 SApNP at 2 weeks after a

single-dose injection (4×10 µg/footpad). GC reactions, i.e., GC B cells (GL7$^+$) and T follicular

helper (T_{fh}) cells (CD4$^+$Bcl6$^+$), in sentinel lymph nodes were characterized by immunohistological

analysis. Robust GCs (GL7$^+$, red) were generated that were attached to FDC networks (CD21$^+$,

green) with clearly organized dark zone (DZ) and light zone (LZ) compartments in lymph node B

cell follicles (B220$^+$, blue) (**Fig. 9A**, left). T_{fh} cells (CD4$^+$Bcl6$^+$, co-labeled with cyan and red)

were mainly located in the LZ to support B cell affinity maturation and GC maintenance (**Fig. 9A**,

right). Next, we applied this analysis to the BG505 UFO-trimer and three SApNPs at 2, 5, and 8

weeks after a single-dose injection (**Fig. 9B**, **Fig. S9A-C**) and at 2 and 5 weeks after the boost

(**Fig. 9C**, **Fig. S9D, E**). Similarly, two metrics were defined to quantify GC reactions based on

immunohistological images: GC/FDC ratio (i.e., whether GC formation is associated with an FDC

network, %) and GC size (i.e., occupied area) (*120*). All four Env immunogens induced robust

GCs at 2 weeks after a single-dose injection (**Fig. 9B**, **Fig. S9A**). Surprisingly, the glycan-trimmed

I3-01v9 SApNP induced the largest GCs at 2 weeks (**Fig. 9B**). Following trimer immunization,

the GC/FDC ratio and GC size were low and decreased rapidly over time, whereas a single dose

of SApNPs generated long-lived GCs that persisted for 8 weeks (**Fig. 9B, D**, **Fig. S9C**). For the

soluble trimer, robust GCs can be restored after the boost (**Fig. 9C, E**, **Fig. S9D, E**). Overall, the

three SApNPs generated larger GCs than the soluble trimer, 2.3-4.2 times larger after one dose

(**Fig. 9B, D**) and 0.4-1.1 times larger after the boost (**Fig. 9C, E**), both measured at 8 weeks.

We next characterized GC reactions by flow cytometry. We collected sentinel lymph nodes

at 2, 5, and 8 weeks after a single-dose footpad injection (**Fig. 9F**, **Fig. S10A, B**) and at 2 and 5

weeks after the boost (**Fig. 9F**, **Fig. S10C**) (4×10 μg/injection). Fresh sentinel lymph nodes were

disaggregated into a single cell suspension and stained with an antibody cocktail. The GC reactions

were analyzed by flow cytometry. The percentage and number of GC B cells and T_{fh} cells were in

line with the immunohistological data (**Fig. 9A-E**). The three SApNPs outperformed the soluble

trimer at 2 weeks after a single-dose injection (**Fig. 9F**). Among the three SApNPs, the glycan-

trimmed I3-01v9 elicited the largest GC B cell and T_{fh} cell populations. For all tested immunogens,

GC reactions peaked at 2 weeks and declined over time. The populations of GC B cells and T_{fh}

cells induced by the soluble trimer were barely detectable at 8 weeks after a single-dose injection

(**Fig. 9F**). A boost effectively expanded the populations of GC B cells and T_{fh} cells but had little

effect on their percentages (**Fig. 9G**). In addition to size-dependent trafficking and retention in

lymph node follicles, GC reactions may also be influenced by adjuvants, considering that AV and

AP undergo different mechanisms of cellular interactions (**Fig. 8**). Overall, the three SApNPs

generated 3.4-6.6/0.7-1.8 times more GC B cells and 0.5-4.3/0.2-1.6 times more T_{fh} cells than the

soluble trimer at 8 weeks after the single-dose/boost injection, respectively (**Fig. 9F, G**). Together,

our analysis indicates that the much larger SApNPs can generate long-lived GCs in lymph nodes

more effectively than the soluble trimer, resulting in a strong Env-specific B cell response.

DISCUSSION

Over the last decade, HIV-1 vaccine research has been driven by advances in the identification of

bNAbs targeting diverse epitopes (*6, 7*) and development of native-like Env trimers (*12, 13*). Three

designs have been established as the leading Env trimer platforms, including SOSIP (*19, 29*), NFL

(*23, 25*), and UFO (*26, 27*). Multistage vaccine strategies that follow specific B cell maturation

events have been proposed and tested in knock-in mice carrying human bNAb (precursor) genes

(*51*). However, it is unclear whether such strategies will be relevant to human vaccination. Recent

HIV-1 vaccine research also received a boost from the engineering of protein particles to mimic

VLPs (*74-77, 80*). Various animal models have been used to assess HIV-1 Env vaccines. Although

rabbits can readily generate autologous tier 2 NAb responses, they mainly target strain-specific

holes in the glycan shield (*56*) or neoepitopes at the trimer base (*73*). The tier 2 NAb responses in

wildtype mice and NHPs are sporadic and often target glycan-rich regions on the Env that are

immunodominant in human infection (*67, 70, 71*). Although bNAb responses were occasionally

reported (*52, 58, 139-141*), it is unclear whether these are reproducible outcomes of a general

vaccine solution or coincidence. Therefore, despite all advances achieved to date, HIV-1 vaccine

development still faces critical challenges posed by the Env, an atypical viral antigen (*142*).

The glycan shield is at the heart of HIV-1 Env vaccine design (*31-36*). Ideally, an effective

vaccine strategy must overcome conflicting roles of Env glycans, namely, occluding NAb access

to conserved protein epitopes *vs.* participating in NAb-Env interactions. Here, we aimed to develop

such a strategy by combining our trimer stabilization (i.e., the UFO design (*26, 27*)) and particulate

display (i.e., the multilayered 1c-SAPNPs (*91, 92*)) platforms. The resulting BG505 UFO-E2p-

L4P and UFO-10GS-I3-01v9-L7P SApNPs were thoroughly evaluated both in vitro and in vivo.

Notably, a key element in our current vaccine strategy was glycan trimming. We hypothesized that

trimming structurally less essential glycans would improve epitope accessibility (e.g., CD4bs) and

minimize glycan-related immunodominance (e.g., strain-specific glycan holes or glycan patches),

while retaining Env binding to most glycan-reactive bNAbs. The success of this strategy may hinge

on glycan promiscuity (*115*), which allows various glycan sites and moieties to substitute for one

another in glycan-bNAb interactions. The avidity effect on the NP surface may further compensate

for weakened glycan-bNAb interactions on one trimmed Env trimer by enabling interactions with

surrounding Env trimers. As a result, we observed rather balanced interactions between glycan-

trimmed BG505 Env-SApNPs and bNAbs that target various protein and glycan epitopes (**Fig. 4**).

For in vivo evaluation, we used the mouse model as a primary indicator because it is inexpensive,

difficult, and known to generate tier 2 NAbs to epitopes that are found in human infection (*70, 71*).

Rabbits were tested to provide another immunogenicity readout and probe glycan holes. Most

common, but not the most potent (*143-145*), adjuvants were chosen because of their safety record

in humans. Instead of bNAb elicitation, we focused on increasing the frequency of vaccine

responders (FVR, defined as the ratio of tier 2 positive subjects in a group), because this is more

achievable and the low FVR has been a major challenge for trimer vaccines in mice, NHPs, and

also humans (*146*). Glycan-trimmed Env immunogens mixed with AP yielded a much higher FVR

in mice than the wildtype ones, 50-88% *vs.* 12.5%, with reduced glycan-related immunodominance

in mice and rabbits (**Fig. 6**). An in-depth mechanistic analysis provided much-needed insights into

the vaccine mode of action. The 5-to-8-week retention of E2p and I3-01v9 SApNPs in follicles

indicates sustained B cell maturation, suggesting that a longer interval between immunizations

should be used for these SApNPs. The identical trafficking, presentation and retention patterns for

I3-01v9 SApNPs with and without endo H treatment suggest that the density of mannose glycans

is not as critical for the follicular localization of HIV-1 NP immunogens as previously thought

(*95*). The stronger GC reactions and CD4$^+$ T$_{fh}$ responses observed for the glycan-trimmed BG505

I3-01v9 SApNP were consistent with early studies where mannoses were immunosuppressive

(*147*), and the enzymatic removal of mannose moieties improved the gp120-induced IgG response

when formulated with alum, but not an oil-in-water adjuvant (*148*).

Future research may focus on several fronts. First, NAbs, as well as nNAbs, induced by

glycan-trimmed Env need to be mapped onto the wildtype Env surface (*63, 66*) to understand how

glycan trimming alters epitope targeting, as also investigated for influenza virus and SARS-CoV-

2 (*149, 150*). The epitope mapping of three stabilized trimers (i.e., SOSIP, NFL, and UFO) with

trimmed glycans may shed light on how to improve current HIV-1 trimer vaccine strategies (*146*).

Equally important is to investigate the degree of glycan trimming required to achieve optimal

immunogenicity, using high-resolution structural and/or glycan analyses. Second, the effect of Env

glycans on the immune system warrants a more in-depth investigation, e.g., the involvement of

mannose moieties in immunosuppression (*147*) *vs.* vaccine trafficking and immunogenicity (*94,*

95). Some of the critical questions (*95*) can now be answered using the tools in our mechanistic

analysis of SApNPs. Third, the immunization regimen requires extensive optimization. The 3-

week interval used in our rapid screening regimen is unsuitable for SApNPs with a retention time

of 5 weeks or longer. This explains why the two large SApNPs did not substantially outperform

the UFO trimer, as the 3-week interval would interrupt the process of generating memory B cells

and long-lived plasma cells and suppress the recall antibody response. A prolonged interval will

likely improve tier 2 NAb elicitation for the two large SApNPs. Various dose arrangements (e.g.,

fewer or more glycan-trimmed doses) need to be tested to optimize the prime-boost protocol. A

systematic comparison would be required to identify the most effective adjuvant for the two large

SApNPs, as shown in our SARS-CoV-2 vaccine study (*120*). The resulting vaccine formulation,

with an optimized regimen, could then be considered for evaluation in human trials.

METHODS

Antibodies

We utilized a panel of bNAbs and non-NAbs to characterize the antigenicity of various native-like

trimers and gp140 nanoparticles. Antibodies were requested from the NIH AIDS Reagent Program

(https://www.aidsreagent.org/) except for 438-B11(*98*), PGT151 (*107*), and M4H2K1 (*71*), which

were produced in-house together with the fragment antigen-binding (Fab) regions of PGT128 and

VRC01, using previously described protocols (*71*).

Expression and purification of HIV-1 Env trimers and SApNPs

The BG505 UFO trimer and SApNPs used for the in vitro characterization and in vivo assessment

of immunogens with wildtype glycans were transiently expressed in ExpiCHO cells (Thermo

Fisher) using a previously described protocol (*27*). Briefly, ExpiCHO[TM] cells were thawed and

incubated with ExpiCHO[TM] Expression Medium (Thermo Fisher) in a shaker incubator at 37°C,

135 rpm, and 8% CO_2. When the cells reached a density of 10×10^6/ml, ExpiCHO[TM] Expression

Medium was added to reduce the cell density to 6×10^6 ml^{-1} for transfection. ExpiFectamine[TM]

CHO/plasmid DNA complexes were prepared for 100-ml transfection in ExpiCHO cells following

the manufacturer's instructions. Kifunensine (10 mg/L, Tocris Bioscience) and swainsonine (3.4

mg/L, Santa Cruz Biotechnology) were added at the time of ExpiCHO transfection to inhibit α-

mannosidase I and II to enrich oligomannose- and complex-type glycans, respectively. For Env

constructs tested in this study, 100 μg of antigen plasmid and 320 μl of ExpiFectamine[TM] CHO

reagent were mixed in 7.7 ml of cold OptiPRO™ medium (Thermo Fisher). After the first feed on

day 1, ExpiCHO cells were cultured in a shaker incubator at 32°C, 120 rpm, and 8% CO_2 following

the Max Titer protocol with an additional feed on day 5 (Thermo Fisher). Culture supernatants

were harvested 13-14 days after transfection, clarified by centrifugation at 4000 rpm for 20 min,

and filtered using a 0.45 μm filter (Thermo Fisher). For the BG505 UFO trimer, Env protein was

extracted from the culture supernatants using a *Galanthus nivalis* lectin (GNL) column (Vector

Labs), whereas for all SApNPs, BG505 and non-BG505 (CH505 and H078.14) Env-fusion

proteins were purified using PGT145 and 2G12 columns, respectively. Trimer was purified on a

Superdex 200 Increase 10/300 GL column or a HiLoad 16/600 Superdex 200 PG column (GE

Healthcare), whereas SApNPs were characterized on a Superose 6 10/300 GL column. Protein

concentration was determined using UV_{280} absorbance with theoretical extinction coefficients.

Generation of stable CHO cell lines expressing two BG505 UFO-Env NP vaccine candidates

Stable CHO cell lines expressing BG505 UFO-E2p-L4P and UFO-10GS-I3-01v9-L7P NPs were

generated by the cationic lipid mediated transfection of a parental suspension culture adopted CHO

K1 host cell line (ATCC no. CCL-61) using bacterial artificial chromosomes (BACs) as gene

transfer vehicles (*151*). BAC vector modification and integration of the BG505 Env-NP expression

cassettes by recombineering were performed by Gen-H GmbH (Heidelberg, Germany). Parental

CHO K1 host cells were cultured in a 125 ml shake flask (Corning) in 20 ml CD CHO medium

(Gibco, Thermo Fisher) supplemented with 8 mM L-glutamine, 6.25 mg/ml phenol red and 1:100

Anti-Clumping Agent (Gibco, Thermo Fisher). Shaker flasks were cultivated in a humidified ISF1-

X incubator shaker (Kuhner) at 37°C, 125 rpm, and 5% CO_2, and multi-well plates were

maintained in a static incubator cabinet at 37°C and 5% CO_2. The passaging of cells for the purpose

of culture maintenance was performed every 3-4 days to starting cell densities of 0.3×10^6 cells/ml.

Per transfection, 1×10^6 cells were prepared in 1.8 ml CD DG44 medium (Gibco, Thermo Fisher),

5 µg BAC DNA, and 25 µg Lipofectin® (1 mg/ml; Thermo Fisher) diluted in 0.2 ml of CD DG44

medium, and transfection mixes were incubated for up to 48 hours in six-well plates (Greiner).

Following incubation, media of transfection pools were replaced with selection medium (CD CHO

medium + supplements and 0.5 mg/ml Geneticin sulphate (Sigma, catalog no. G418). Cultures

were transferred to 96-well plates (Thermo Fisher) and transfection cell pools were continuously

monitored for signs of cell growth and increasing viabilities, as well as BG505 Env-NP expression

by ELISA (NP capture: *Galanthus nivalis* lectin (GNL, Sigma) / NP detection: anti-HIV-1 gp120

mAb C2G12 (Polymun Scientific)). High NP expressing cell pools were expanded to 50 ml of

TubeSpin® Bioreactor tubes (TPP) and cell pools were evaluated for specific growth (µ) and

specific NP expression (qp). The top performing cell pools (2-4) were single-cell-cloned following

an in-house established limiting-dilution procedure in 384-well plates (Corning). Clonality was

confirmed using a Cell Metric plate imaging device (Solentim). Clonal cell populations were again

screened in 96-well plates (Thermo Fisher) by ELISA, and the 20 best performing clonal cell lines

were further evaluated in a small-scale screen (5 ml) in 50 ml TubeSpin® Bioreactor tubes (TPP)

with respect to cell growth and NP expression by ELISA in addition to non-reducing SDS-PAGE

and Western blot. Based on the evaluation results for the top 20 clones, the top eight cell clones

were selected for each BG505 Env-NP and challenged in small-scale fed-batch experiments with

the aim to identify clones that may have the potential to serve as prospective production clones

under good manufacturing practice (GMP) conditions. Fed batch experiments were performed in

125 ml shaker flasks with 45 ml culture volume using ActiPro medium (HyClone) and the

corresponding nutrient feeds Cell Boost 7a and 7b (both HyClone) in a shaking incubator. Small-

scale research cell banks (RCBs) were established and cryo-preserved to support future master cell

bank (MCB) establishment. Cell line development was performed at Polymun Scientific GmbH

(Klosterneuburg, Austria) through a contract from Uvax Bio.

SDS-PAGE and BN-PAGE

BG505 Env-NPs were analyzed by sodium dodecyl sulfate-polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis

(SDS-PAGE) and blue native-polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis (BN-PAGE). The proteins were

mixed with loading dye and added to either a 10% Tris-Glycine Gel (Bio-Rad) or a 4-12% Bis-

Tris NativePAGE™ gel (Life Technologies). For SDS-PAGE under reducing conditions, the

proteins were first treated with dithiothreitol (DTT, 25 mM) and boiled for 5 min at 100 °C. SDS-

PAGE gels were run for 20 min at 250 V using SDS running buffer (Bio-Rad), and BN-PAGE

gels were run for 2-2.5 hours at 150 V using NativePAGE™ running buffer (Life Technologies)

according to the manufacturer's instructions. The gels were stained using Coomassie Brilliant Blue

R-250 (Bio-Rad) and de-stained using a solution of 6% ethanol and 3% glacial acetic acid.

Differential scanning calorimetry (DSC)

Thermal melting curves of BG505 Env UFO-FR, UFO-E2p-L4P, and UFO-10GS-I3-01v9-L7P

SApNPs following PGT145 and SEC purification were obtained from a MicroCal PEAQ-DSC

Man instrument (Malvern). Samples of the E2p and I3-01v9 SApNPs after glycan trimming by

endo Hf and SEC purification were also analyzed. Briefly, the purified SApNP protein was buffer

exchanged into 1×PBS buffer and concentrated to 0.8 μM before analysis by the instrument.

Melting was probed at a scan rate of 60 °C·h^{-1} from 20°C to 100°C. Data processing, including

buffer correction, normalization, and baseline subtraction, was conducted using MicroCal PEAQ-

DSC software. Gaussian fitting was performed using Origin 9.0 software.

Dynamic light scattering (DLS)

Particle size distributions of BG505 Env-NPs based on three NP platforms (FR, E2p-L4P, and I3-

01v9-L7P) were obtained from a Zetasizer Ultra instrument (Malvern). PGT145/SEC-purified NPs

from ExpiCHO cells were diluted to 0.2 mg/ml using 1×PBS buffer, and 30 µl of the prepared NP

sample was added to a quartz batch cuvette (Malvern, catalog no. ZEN2112). Particle size was

measured at 25 °C in back scattering mode. Data processing was performed on the Zetasizer and

the particle size distribution was plotted using Origin 9.0 software.

Endo H treatment and removal

Glycan trimming of Env immunogens was performed using Endo-Hf, a fusion of endo H and MBP

(NEB, catalog no. P0703L), by mixing 20 µg of Env protein, 2 µl of 10×GlycoBuffer3, 5 µl of

endo H, and H_2O (if necessary) to make a 20 µl reaction. The mixture was kept at room temperature

(25°C) for 5 fours to facilitate enzymatic processing of the Env glycans. The reaction volume can

be scaled up proportionally to generate more glycan-trimmed material for immunization. After 5

hours of incubation, the mixture was passed through a Superose 6 column to remove the MBP-

tagged endo H. Both NP and endo Hf fractions were collected for quantitation of the residual endo

Hf using an anti-MBP mouse antibody (Sigma, catalog no. M6295-.2ML) in ELISA. While most

endo Hf can be readily removed from NP samples by SEC, a second purification step must be

included for the trimer because trimer and endo Hf have separate but close SEC peaks. Amylose

resin (NEB, catalog no. E8021S) was used to remove residual endo Hf from the SEC-purified

trimer fractions. The flow through was collected to quantify the residual endo Hf and then adjusted

to appropriate concentrations for in vitro and in vivo studies. To achieve the most complete glycan

trimming, 1-20 µg of the Env protein was mixed with 1 µl of Glycoprotein Denaturing Buffer

(NEB, 10×) and H_2O (if necessary) in a reaction volume of 10 µl. The reaction was then heated to

100°C for 10 min to denature the protein, prior to endo H treatment at 37°C for 1 hour. This

protocol was only used to test the maximum trimming of Env glycans by endo H in **Fig. 3G**. The

denatured, glycan-trimmed materials were not used in the animal studies.

Enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA)

In this study, ELISA was performed to detect residual endo Hf in trimer and SApNP samples after

glycan trimming. Each well of a Costar^{TM} 96-well assay plate (Corning) was first coated with 50

µl of PBS containing 0.2 µg of appropriate antigens. The plates were incubated overnight at 4 °C,

and then washed five times with wash buffer containing PBS and 0.05% (v/v) Tween 20. Each

well was then coated with 150 µl of a blocking buffer consisting of PBS and 40 mg ml^{-1} blotting-

grade blocker (Bio-Rad). The plates were incubated with the blocking buffer for 1 h at room

temperature, and then washed five times with wash buffer. The human bNAb VRC01 and MBP-

specific mouse antibody (Sigma, catalog no. M6295-.2ML) were diluted in blocking buffer to a

maximum concentration of 1 µg/ml and to reach ×466 dilution (as recommended by the

manufacturer), respectively, followed by a 10-fold dilution series. For each antibody dilution, a

total 50 µl volume was added to the appropriate wells. Each plate was incubated for 1 h at room

temperature, and then washed five times with PBS containing 0.05% Tween 20. A 1:5000 dilution

of goat anti-human IgG antibody (Jackson ImmunoResearch Laboratories) or 1:3000 dilution of

goat anti-mouse IgG antibody (Jackson ImmunoResearch Laboratories) was then made in wash

buffer (PBS containing 0.05% Tween 20), with 50 µl of this diluted secondary antibody added to

each well. The plates were incubated with the secondary antibody for 1 h at room temperature, and

then washed five times with PBS containing 0.05% Tween 20. Finally, the wells were developed

with 50 μl of TMB (Life Sciences) for 3-5 min before stopping the reaction with 50 μl of 2 N

sulfuric acid. The resulting plate readouts were measured at a wavelength of 450 nm. As a rapid

screening ELISA assay, only four antibody concentrations/dilutions were tested.

Negative stain EM analysis

The initial evaluation of various Env-NP samples was performed by the Core Microscopy Facility

at The Scripps Research Institute. All NP samples were prepared at the concentration of 0.01-0.05

mg/ml. Carbon-coated copper grids (400 mesh) were glow-discharged and 8 μl of each sample

was adsorbed for 2 min. Excess sample was wicked away and grids were negatively stained with

2% uranyl formate for 2 min. Excess stain was wicked away and the grids were allowed to dry.

Samples were analyzed at 80 kV with a Talos L120C transmission electron microscope (Thermo

Fisher) and images were acquired with a CETA 16M CMOS camera. The structural analysis of

glycan trimmed-treated BG505 UFO trimer bound to bNAbs PGT128 and VRC01 was performed

by the Core Microscopy Facility following the protocol described above. For each complex, a total

of 55 images were manually collected at a magnification of 73,000×. CryoSPARC 2 software (*152*)

on the Scripps Garibaldi cluster was used to analyze the EM images, including imaging processing,

particle picking, 2D classification, and 3D reconstruction (**Fig. S4P**). The validation of BG505

UFO-E2p-L4P and UFO-10GS-I3-01v9-L7P NP samples prior to high-resolution cryo-EM was

performed in the Hazen EM facility at The Scripps Research Institute. The experiments were

performed as previously described (*100, 153*). The concentrated BG505 Env-NP samples were

diluted to 50 μg/ml in TBS buffer (Alfa Aesar) and loaded onto the carbon-coated 400-mesh Cu

grid. Prior to sample application the grids were glow-discharged at 15 mA for 30 s. The samples

were blotted off the grids after 10 s and negatively stained with 2 % (w/v) uranyl-formate for 60

s. A Tecnai Spirit electron microscope (120 keV) featuring a Tietz 4k × 4k TemCam-F416 CMOS

camera was used for data acquisition. Nominal magnification was 52,000 ×. The resulting pixel

size at the specimen plane was 2.05 Å, and the defocus was set to -1.50 µm. Total electron dose

per image was adjusted to 25 e-/Å2. Images were recorded using the Leginon software suite (*154*).

Data were visualized in the Appion data processing suite (*155*).

Cryo-EM analysis of two BG505 UFO trimer-presenting SApNPs

The cryo-EM grid preparation was performed as the following. BG505 UFO-E2p-L4P and UFO-

10GS-I3-01v9-L7P samples were concentrated to 1.5 and 2.5 mg/ml, respectively. Immediately

prior to grid application, lauryl maltose neopentyl glycol (LMNG) was added to each sample at a

final concentration of 0.005 mM. Quantifoil R 2/1 holey carbon copper grids (Cu 400 mesh) were

the main type of grids used. The grids were pretreated with Ar/O2 plasma (Gatan Solarus 950

plasma system) for 10 s before sample loading. Vitrobot mark IV (Thermo Fisher Scientific) was

used for the sample application, blotting, and vitrification steps. The temperature was set to 10°C,

humidity was 100 %, blotting force was set to 0, wait time was 10 s, and blotting time varied in

the range of 3.5-5.5 s. For grid preparation, 3 µl of the NP sample (with LMNG) was loaded onto

plasma-activated grids. Following the blot step the grids were plunge-frozen into liquid ethane

cooled with liquid nitrogen. The cryo-EM data were collected from two microscopes. Specifically,

the I3-01v9-L7P NP data were collected on the Talos Arctica TEM (Thermo Fisher Scientific)

operating at 200 kV. The E2p-L4P NP data were acquired on an FEI Titan Krios TEM at 300 kV

(Thermo Fisher Scientific). Both microscopes were equipped with the Gatan K2 Summit direct

electron detector camera and sample autoloader. The Leginon software suite (*154*) was used for

automated data acquisition. Data collection parameters are shown in **Table S1**. Cryo-EM data were

processed as described previously (*100*). MotionCor2 (*156*) was used for frame alignment and

dose-weighting and GCTF was applied for the estimation of CTF parameters. The early processing

steps were performed in CryoSPARC 2 (*152*). Particles were picked using template picker,

extracted and subjected to two rounds of 2D classification to eliminate bad picks and

heterogeneously looking particles. After the 2D cleaning step, 17097 and 4806 particles were

retained for BG505 UFO-E2p-L4P and UFO-I3-01v9-L7P NPs for further processing steps. These

particle subsets were transferred to Relion/3.0 (*157*). Ab-initio reconstruction in cryoSPARC was

used to generate the starting reference models for the 3D steps in Relion. Two iterative rounds of

3D classification and refinement with imposed icosahedral symmetry restraints were applied to

produce the final 3D maps of the E2p-L4P and I3-01v9-L7P NP scaffolds. A soft solvent mask

around the corresponding NP scaffold was introduced for 3D classification, 3D refinement, and

postprocessing steps to exclude signal contributions from flexibly linked BG505 trimers and

additional stabilizing domains (e.g., LD4 in E2p-L4P). For the E2p-L4P NP, the final subset had

7,672 particles and yielded a map resolution of 3.7 Å. For the I3-01v9-L7P NP, the final subset

consisted of 4,806 particle projection images and was reconstructed to 6.0 Å resolution.

For the analysis of NP-attached BG505 UFO trimers, we used the localized reconstruction

method (*158*). Localized reconstruction v1.2.0 was applied to extract subparticles corresponding

to the trimer antigens from pre-aligned E2p-LD4 and I3-01v9 particle datasets. Each NP presents

20 trimers on the surface. The starting trimer datasets consisted of 153,400 ($20 \times 7,672$) and 96,120

($20 \times 4,806$) subparticles for BG505 UFO-E2p-L4P and UFO-10GS-I3-01v9-L7P, respectively.

Subparticle datasets were subjected to two rounds of 2D classification and two rounds of 3D

classification in Relion/3.0 (*157*) to eliminate cropped, overlapping, and heterogeneously looking

particles. For the 3D steps, we applied an HIV-1 Env trimer model from negative stain EM, low-

pass filtered to 40 Å resolution. The final subset consisted of 6,726 and 3,723 particles for E2p-

L4P and I3-01v9-L7P-displayed BG505 UFO trimers. These subsets were subjected to 3D

refinement. In the case of E2p-L4P-displayed trimers, a soft solvent mask around the trimer was

used for the 3D refinement and postprocessing steps. C3 symmetry restraints were imposed during

refinement. Maps at 7.4 and 10.4 Å resolution were obtained for E2p-L4P and I3-01v9-L7P-bound

BG505 UFO trimers, respectively. The resulting maps after 3D refinement and postprocessing,

and corresponding half-maps and solvent masks were submitted to the Electron Microscopy Data

Bank (EMDB). Model refinement was performed only for the E2p-L4P NP scaffold, using the B-

factor-sharpened map after postprocessing. The structure of dihydrolipoyl transacetylase from

PDB entry 1B5S (*103*) was used as a starting model. Iterative rounds of manual model building in

Coot (*159*) and Rosetta relaxed refinement (*160*) were applied to generate the final structures.

Model evaluation was performed using the EMRinger (*161*) and MolProbity (*162*) packages, with

statistics reported in **Table S2**. The model was submitted to the Protein Data Bank (PDB).

Site-specific glycan analysis of BG505 trimer and SApNP immunogens

Three 50 µg aliquots of each sample were denatured for 1 h in 50 mM Tris/HCl, pH 8.0, containing

6 M urea and 5 mM DTT. Next, Env proteins were reduced and alkylated by adding 20 mM

iodoacetamide (IAA) and incubated for 1 h in the dark, followed by 1 h of incubation with 20 mM

DTT to eliminate residual IAA. The alkylated Env proteins were buffer-exchanged into 50 mM

Tris/HCl, pH 8.0 using Vivaspin columns (3 kDa) and digested separately overnight using trypsin,

chymotrypsin or elastase (Mass Spectrometry Grade, Promega) at a ratio of 1:30 (w/w). The next

day, the peptides were dried and extracted using C18 Zip-tip (MerckMilipore). The peptides were

dried again, resuspended in 0.1% formic acid, and analyzed by nanoLC-ESI MS with an Easy-

nLC 1200 (Thermo Fisher Scientific) system coupled to a Fusion mass spectrometer (Thermo

Fisher Scientific) using higher energy collision-induced dissociation (HCD) fragmentation.

Peptides were separated using an EasySpray PepMap RSLC C18 column (75 µm × 75 cm). A

trapping column (PepMap 100 C18 3 µM 75 µM × 2cm) was used in line with the LC prior to

separation with the analytical column. The LC conditions were the following: 275 min linear

gradient consisting of 0-32% acetonitrile in 0.1% formic acid over 240 min followed by 35 min of

80% acetonitrile in 0.1% formic acid. The flow rate was set to 200 nl/min. The spray voltage was

set to 2.7 kV and the temperature of the heated capillary was set to 40 °C. The ion transfer tube

temperature was set to 275 °C. The scan range was 400-1600 *m/z*. The HCD collision energy was

set to 50%, appropriate for the fragmentation of glycopeptide ions. Precursor and fragment

detection were performed using an Orbitrap at a resolution MS1 = 100,000 MS2 = 30,000. The

AGC target for MS1 = 4e5 and MS2 = 5e4 and injection time: MS1 = 50ms MS2 = 54ms.

Glycopeptide fragmentation data were extracted from the raw file using Byonic™ (Version

3.5) and Byologic™ software (Version 3.5; Protein Metrics). The glycopeptide fragmentation data

were evaluated manually for each glycopeptide; the peptide was scored as true-positive when the

correct b and y fragment ions were observed along with oxonium ions corresponding to the glycan

identified. The MS data were searched using the Protein Metrics 305 N-glycan library. The relative

amounts of each glycan at each site, as well as the unoccupied proportion, were determined by

comparing the extracted chromatographic areas for different glycotypes with an identical peptide

sequence. All charge states for a single glycopeptide were summed. The precursor mass tolerance

was set to 4 part per million (ppm) and 10 ppm for fragments. A 1% false discovery rate (FDR)

was applied. Glycans were categorized according to the composition detected.

HexNAc(2)Hex(9−5) was classified as M9 to M5, HexNAc(3)Hex(5−6)X as Hybrid with

HexNAc(3)Fuc(1)X classified as Fhybrid. Complex-type glycans were classified according to the

number of HexNAc residues, which are attributed to the number of processed antenna/bisecting

GlcNAc (B), and fucosylation (F). For example, HexNAc(3)Hex(3-4)X was assigned to A1,

HexNAc(4)X to A2/A1B, HexNAc(5)X to A3/A2B, and HexNAc(6)X to A4/A3B. If all of these

compositions had a fucose, then they were assigned to the corresponding FA category. Note that

this analytical approach does not distinguish between isomers, which could influence formal

assignment of the number of antennae in some cases.

Bio-layer interferometry (BLI)

The antigenic profiles of BG505 Env immunogens, the UFO trimers and SApNPs with wildtype

and modified glycan shields, were measured using an Octet RED96 instrument (FortéBio, Pall

Life Sciences) against a large panel of HIV-1 NAbs, bNAbs, and nNAbs in the IgG form. All

assays were performed with agitation set to 1000 rpm in FortéBio 1× kinetic buffer. The final

volume for all solutions was 200 μl per well. Assays were performed at 30 °C in solid black 96-

well plates (Geiger Bio-One). For UFO trimers, 5 μg/ml antibody in 1× kinetic buffer was loaded

onto the surface of anti-human Fc Capture Biosensors (AHC) for 300 s. For UFO trimer-presenting

SApNPs, anti-human Fc Quantitation Biosensors (AHQ) were used because they have been shown

to be more suitable for measuring the avidity effect for particulate immunogens (*27, 89, 91, 92*).

Notably, the respective trimer was also measured using AHQ biosensors to facilitate comparisons

of antibody binding with trimer-presenting SApNPs. A 60 s biosensor baseline step was applied

prior to the analysis of the association of the antibody on the biosensor to the antigen in solution

for 200 s. A two-fold concentration gradient of antigen, starting at 266.7 nM for the UFO trimer,

14.9 nM for the FR SApNP, and 5.5 nM for the E2p and I3-01v9 SApNPs, was used in a titration

series of six. The dissociation of the interaction was followed for 300 s. The correction of baseline

drift was performed by subtracting the mean value of shifts recorded for a sensor loaded with

antibody but not incubated with antigen, and for a sensor without antibody but incubated with

antigen. Octet data were processed by FortéBio's data acquisition software v.8.1. Peak signals at

the highest antigen concentration were summarized in a matrix and color-coded accordingly to

facilitate comparisons between different vaccine platforms and glycan treatments.

Mouse immunization and sample collection

Similar immunization protocols have been used in our previous vaccine studies (*27, 89, 91, 92,*

120). Briefly, Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) guidelines were followed

with animal subjects tested in the immunization study. Eight-week-old BALB/c mice were

purchased from The Jackson Laboratory and housed in ventilated cages in environmentally

controlled rooms at The Scripps Research Institute, in compliance with an approved IACUC

protocol and Association for Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care

(AAALAC) international guidelines. Mice were immunized at weeks 0, 3, 6, and 9 with 200 μl of

antigen/adjuvant mix containing 30 μg of vaccine antigen and 100 μl of adjuvant, AddaVax, Adju-

Phos, or Alhydrogel (InvivoGen), via the intraperitoneal (i.p.) route. Blood was collected 2 weeks

after each injection. All bleeds were performed through the retro-orbital sinus using heparinized

capillary tubes into EDTA-coated tubes. Samples were spun at 1200 rpm for 10 min to separate

plasma (top layer) and the rest of the whole blood layer. Upon heat inactivation at 56 °C for 30

min, plasma was spun at 2000 rpm for 10 min to remove precipitates. The rest of the whole blood

layer was diluted with an equal volume of PBS and then overlaid on 4.5 ml of Ficoll in a 15 ml

SepMate^{TM} tube (STEMCELL Technologies) and spun at 1200 rpm for 10 min at 20 °C to separate

peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs). Cells were washed once in PBS and then

resuspended in 1 ml of ACK Red Blood Cell lysis buffer (Lonza). After washing with PBS,

PBMCs were resuspended in 2 ml of Bambanker Freezing Media (Lymphotec). Spleens were

harvested at week 11 and ground against a 70-μm cell strainer (BD Falcon) to release splenocytes

957 into a cell suspension. Splenocytes were centrifuged, washed in PBS, treated with 5 ml of ACK

958 lysing buffer (Lonza), and frozen with 3 ml of Bambanker freezing media. Total plasma from week

959 11 was purified using CaptureSelect™ IgG-Fc (Multispecies) Affinity Matrix (Thermo Scientific)

960 following the manufacturer's instructions. Purified IgG samples from individual mice were

961 analyzed in TZM-bl assays to determine the vaccine-induced neutralizing response.

962 **Rabbit immunization and sample collection**

963 The Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) guidelines were followed for the

964 animal subjects tested in the immunization studies. For the evaluation of wildtype Env and Env-

965 NP immunogens using a long regimen, rabbit immunization and blood sampling were performed

966 under a subcontract at Covance (Denver, PA). Seven groups of female New Zealand White rabbits,

967 six rabbits per group, were immunized intramuscularly (i.m.) with 100 μg of HIV-1 Env antigen

968 formulated in 250 μl of adjuvant, AddaVax or Adju-Phos (InvivoGen), with a total volume of 500

969 μl, at weeks 0, 8, and 24. Blood samples (15 ml each) were collected at day 0 and weeks 1, 2, 4,

970 6, 8, 10, 12, 16, 20, 24, 26, and 28. Plasma was separated from blood and heat inactivated for the

971 TZM-bl neutralization assays. For the assessment of glycan-trimmed Env-NP immunogens using

972 a short regimen, rabbit immunization and blood sampling were performed under a subcontract at

973 ProSci (San Diego, CA). Four groups of female New Zealand White rabbits, six rabbits per group,

974 were intramuscularly (i.m.) immunized with 30 μg of vaccine antigen formulated in 250 μl of

975 adjuvant, AddaVax or Adju-Phos (InvivoGen), with a total volume of 500 μl, at weeks 0, 3, 6, 9,

976 and 12. Blood samples, 20 ml each time, were collected from the auricular artery at day 0 (Pre)

977 and weeks 2, 5, 8, 11, 14, and 16. More than 100 ml of blood was taken at week 16, via cardiac

978 puncture, for PBMC isolation. Plasma samples were heat inactivated for further characterization,

979 and purified rabbit IgGs were assessed in TZM-bl neutralization assays.

Pseudovirus production and neutralization assays

Pseudoviruses were generated by the transfection of HEK293T cells with an HIV-1 Env expressing plasmid and an Env-deficient genomic backbone plasmid (pSG3ΔEnv), as previously described (*163*). HIV-1 Env expressing vectors for BG505 (catalog no. 11518), SF162 (catalog no. 10463), and the 12-virus global panel (*164*) (catalog no. 12670) were obtained through the NIH AIDS Reagent Program (https://www.aidsreagent.org/). A T332N mutation was introduced into BG505 Env to produce the BG505.T332N clone. Other BG505.T332N mutants were created by introducing mutations as previously described (*56, 60, 69*). Pseudoviruses were harvested 72 h post-transfection for use in the neutralization assays. The neutralizing activity of each mouse or rabbit sample was assessed using a single round of replication pseudovirus assay and TZM-bl target cells, similar to that described previously (*163*). Briefly, pseudovirus was incubated with serial dilutions of antibodies or heat inactivated rabbit plasma in a 96-well flat bottom plate for 1 h at 37 °C before TZM-bl cells were seeded in the plate. For purified mouse and rabbit IgGs, a starting concentration of 300 μg/ml was used, or an initial dilution of either 40-times or 100-times for rabbit plasma, and then subjected to 3-times serial dilutions in the TZM-bl assays. Samples were tested in duplicate with a full series of dilutions unless otherwise specified in the Results, with such exceptions including tests against the 12-virus global panel performed in singlet to conserve purified IgG samples. Luciferase reporter gene expression was quantified 60-72 h after infection upon lysis and the addition of Bright-Glo^{TM} Luciferase substrate (Promega). Data were retrieved from a BioTek microplate reader with Gen 5 software. Values from experimental wells were compared against a well containing virus only, with background luminescence from a series of uninfected wells subtracted from both. Dose-response neutralization curves were then fit by nonlinear regression in GraphPad Prism 9.3.1, with IC_{30}, IC_{50}, and ID_{50} calculated with constraints

set between 0 to 100. As a negative control, pseudoparticles displaying the envelope glycoproteins

of MLV (MLV-pps) were tested in the TZM-bl assays following the same protocol.

Histology, immunostaining, and imaging

For the mechanistic study of HIV-1 Env vaccine distribution, trafficking, cellular interaction, and

induced GCs in lymph nodes, vaccines were intradermally injected into mouse footpads using a

29-gauge insulin needle under 3% isoflurane anesthesia with oxygen. Similar immunization and

tissue analysis protocols were used in our previous study (*120*). The administered dose was 80 μl

of antigen/adjuvant mix containing 40 μg of vaccine antigen per mouse or 10 μg per footpad. Mice

were euthanized 30 min to 8 weeks after a single-dose injection. The axillary and popliteal sentinel

lymph nodes were collected for histological analysis. Fresh lymph nodes were merged into frozen

section compound (VWR International, catalog no. 95057-838) in a plastic cryomold (Tissue-Tek

at VWR, catalog no. 4565). Sample molds were merged into liquid nitrogen and then stored at -

80°C before shipping to The Centre for Phenogenomics in Canada for sample processing,

immunostaining, and imaging. Tissue sections were sliced 8 μm thick on a cryostat (Cryostar

NX70) and collected on charged slides. Samples were then fixed in 10% neutral buffered formalin

and further permeabilized in PBS that contained 0.5% Triton X-100 before staining. The slides

were blocked with protein Block (Agilent) to prevent nonspecific antibody binding. Primary

antibody was then applied on the sections and incubated overnight at 4°C. After washing with

TBST, secondary antibodies that were conjugated with either biotin or a fluorophore were used,

and the samples were incubated for 1 h at 25 °C. Lymph node sections were stained with bNAbs

VRC01 (*112*), PGT124 (*124*), and PGDM1400 (*125*) (1:50), and biotinylated goat anti-human

secondary antibody (Abcam, catalog no. ab7152, 1:300), followed by streptavidin-horseradish

peroxidase (HRP) reagent (Vectastain Elite ABC-HRP Kit, Vector, catalog no. PK-6100) and

diaminobenzidine (DAB) (ImmPACT DAB, Vector, catalog no. SK-4105).

To visualize interactions between HIV-1 Env vaccines and cells in mouse lymph nodes,

FDCs were labeled using anti-CD21 primary antibody (Abcam, catalog no. ab75985, 1:1800),

followed by anti-rabbit secondary antibody conjugated with Alexa Fluor 555 (Thermo Fisher,

catalog no. A21428, 1:200). B cells were labeled using anti-B220 antibody (eBioscience, catalog

no. 14-0452-82, 1:100) followed by anti-rat secondary antibody conjugated with Alexa Fluor 647

(Thermo Fisher, catalog no. A21247, 1:200). Subcapsular sinus macrophages were labeled using

anti-sialoadhesin (CD169) antibody (Abcam, catalog no. ab53443, 1:600) followed by anti-rat

secondary antibody conjugated with Alexa Fluor 488 (Abcam, catalog no. ab150165, 1:200). HIV-

1 vaccine-induced GCs were studied using immunostaining, GC B cells stained using rat anti-GL7

antibody (FITC; BioLegend, catalog no. 144604, 1:250), T_{fh} cells stained using anti-CD4 antibody

(BioLegend, catalog no. 100402, 1:100) followed by anti-rat secondary antibody conjugated with

Alexa Fluor 488 (Abcam, catalog no. ab150165, 1:1000), GC cells stained using Bcl6 antibody

(Abcam, catalog no. ab220092, 1:300) followed by anti-rabbit secondary antibody conjugated with

Alexa Fluor 555 (Thermo Fisher, catalog no. A21428, 1:1000). Nuclei were labeled using 4′,6-

diamidino-2-phenylindole (DAPI) (Sigma-Aldrich, catalog no. D9542, 100 ng/ml).

The stained lymph node sections were scanned using an Olympus VS-120 slide scanner

with a Hamamatsu ORCA-R2 C10600 digital camera for bright-field and fluorescent images. The

transport of HIV-1 BG505 Env immunogens and their induced GCs in mouse lymph nodes were

quantified through bright-field and fluorescent images using ImageJ software (*165*).

Electron microscopy analysis of protein nanoparticles and lymph node tissues

TEM analysis was conducted by the Core Microscopy Facility at The Scripps Research Institute.

To visualize interactions of BG505 UFO Env-SApNPs with FDCs and phagocytic cells in lymph

nodes using TEM, mice were injected with 140 μl of antigen/adjuvant mix containing 100 μg of

vaccine antigen (40 μl of adjuvant) into the two hind footpads or 50 μg per footpad. Popliteal

sentinel lymph nodes were isolated 2, 12, and 48 hours after administration, bisected and immersed

in oxygenated 2.5% glutaraldehyde and 4% paraformaldehyde in 0.1 M sodium cacodylate buffer

(pH 7.4) fixative overnight at 4ºC. The lymph node tissues were washed using 0.1 M sodium

cacodylate buffer and post-fixed in buffered 1% osmium tetroxide and 1.5% potassium

ferrocyanide for 1-1.25 hours at 4°C. The samples were rinsed in Corning Cell Culture Grade

Water and stained *en bloc* with 0.5% uranyl acetate overnight at 4°C. The tissues were rinsed with

double-distilled H_2O and dehydrated through a graded series of ethanol followed by acetone,

infiltrated with LX-112 (Ladd) epoxy resin, and polymerized at 60°C. Ultrathin tissue sections (70

nm) were prepared on copper grids for TEM imaging. Tissue samples were imaged at 80 kV with

a Talos L120C transmission electron microscope (Thermo Fisher), and images were acquired with

a CETA 16M CMOS camera.

Lymph node disaggregation, cell staining, and flow cytometry

GC B cells ($GL7^+B220^+$) and T_{fh} cells ($CD3^+CD4^+CXCR5^+PD-1^+$) were characterized using flow

cytometry (**Fig. S10A**). Mice were euthanized 2, 5, and 8 weeks after a single-dose injection and

2 and 5 weeks after the boost injection (4×10 μg/footpad each time). Fresh axillary, brachial, and

popliteal sentinel lymph nodes were isolated. After mechanically disaggregating the lymph node

tissues, samples were merged in enzyme digestion solution in an Eppendorf tube containing 958

μl of Hanks' balanced salt solution (HBSS) buffer (Thermo Fisher Scientific, catalog no.

14185052), 40 μl of 10 mg/ml collagenase IV (Sigma-Aldrich, catalog no. C5138), and 2 μl of 10

mg/ml DNase (Roche, catalog no. 10104159001). Lymph node tissues were incubated at 37°C for

30 min and filtered through a 70 μm cell strainer. Samples were spun down at $400 \times g$ for 10 min

to isolate cell pellets, which were resuspended in HBSS blocking buffer with 0.5% (w/v) bovine

serum albumin and 2 mM EDTA. Anti-CD16/32 antibody (BioLegend, catalog no. 101302) was

added to block the nonspecific binding of Fc receptors, while the sample solution was kept on ice

for 30 min. Samples were then transferred to 96-well microplates with pre-prepared cocktail

antibodies, which included the Zombie NIR live/dead stain (BioLegend, catalog no. 423106),

Brilliant Violet 510 anti-mouse/human CD45R/B220 antibody (BioLegend, catalog no. 103247),

FITC anti-mouse CD3 antibody (BioLegend, catalog no. 100204), Alexa Fluor 700 anti-mouse

CD4 antibody (BioLegend, catalog no. 100536), PE anti-mouse/human GL7 antibody (BioLegend,

catalog no. 144608), Brilliant Violet 605 anti-mouse CD95 (Fas) antibody (BioLegend, catalog

no. 152612), Brilliant Violet 421 anti-mouse CD185 (CXCR5) antibody (BioLegend, catalog no.

145511), and PE/Cyanine7 anti-mouse CD279 (PD-1) antibody (BioLegend, catalog no. 135216).

The cell samples mixed with antibody cocktail were placed on ice for 30 min and centrifuged to

remove excess antibody. After washing with the HBSS blocking solution, cells were fixed with

1.6% paraformaldehyde (Thermo Fisher Scientific, catalog no. 28906) in HBSS on ice for 30 min.

The samples were then placed in HBSS blocking solution at 4°C. Sample events were acquired by

a 5-laser AZE5 flow cytometer (Yeti, Bio-Rad) with Everest software at the Core Facility of The

Scripps Research Institute. The data were analyzed using FlowJo 10 software.

Statistical analysis

Data were collected from 8 mice per group in the immunization study and 3-10 mice per group in

the mechanistic analysis. All of the statistical analyses were performed and graphs were generated

using GraphPad Prism 9.3.1 software. For the vaccine transport and GC study in lymph nodes,

different vaccine groups were compared using one-way ANOVA, followed by Tukey's multiple comparison *post hoc* test. Statistical significance is indicated as the following in the figures: ns (not significant), $*p < 0.05$, $**p < 0.01$, $***p < 0.001$, $****p < 0.0001$. To assess the highest level of improvement in FVR, one comparison was made for each vaccine platform (trimer or SApNP) between the wildtype group (or a representative wildtype group, when multiple existed) and the glycan-trimmed group that had the highest FVR (or the highest average, when multiple repeats existed). This statistical comparison was performed using a two-tailed Fisher exact test.

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Figure Legends

Fig. 1. Rational design and characterization of BG505 UFO trimer-presenting nanoparticles.

(**A**) BG505 UFO Env (middle) and three UFO trimer-presenting SApNPs (FR: left; E2p and I3-

01: right). In the inset (center), ribbon representation of BG505 UFO gp140 protomer (PDB ID:

6UTK) is shown in transparent molecular surface with gp120 in cornflower blue, gp41 in magenta,

and the redesigned $HR1_N$ loop in yellow (as both ribbon and molecular surface models). Surface

representations are shown for FR 24-mer and E2p/I3-01 60-mers presenting 8 and 20 BG505 UFO

trimers, respectively. The NP carrier is colored in gray and the three protomers of each BG505

UFO trimer are colored differently. The NP size is indicated by diameter (in nm). (**B**) Schematic

representation of a multilayered NP (left), which contains an inner layer of locking domains (LD)

and a cluster of T-help epitopes (PADRE), and molecular surface model of E2p (brown, PDB ID:

1B5S) with stepwise incorporation of LD4 (cyan, PDB ID: 2MG4) and PADRE (purple). (**C**) SEC

profiles of BG505 UFO trimer-presenting FR (panel 1), E2p (panel 2), E2p-LD1-7 (panel 3), E2p-

LD4-PADRE (or E2p-L4P, panel 4), I3-01 (panel 5), I3-01-LD4-5/7-9 (panel 6), and I3-01/v9-

LD7-PADRE (or I3-01/v9-L7P, panel 7) after PGT145 purification. (**D**) and (**E**) Reducing SDS-

PAGE and BN-PAGE of BG505 UFO-FR, E2p, and I3-01/v9 SApNPs after PGT145 purification,

with LD and PADRE variants included for E2p and I3-01. (**F**) Negative stain EM images of

PGT145-purified BG505 UFO-FR, E2p-L4P, and I3-01v9-L7P SApNPs. (**G**) Thermostability of

BG505 UFO-FR, E2p-L4P, and I3-01v9-L7P SApNPs, with T_m, $\Delta T_{1/2}$, and T_{on} measured by DSC.

(**H**) Particle size distribution of BG505 UFO-FR, E2p-L4P, and I3-01v9-L7P SApNPs measured

by DLS. Multiple measurements were obtained for each SApNP, with the average particle size

labeled on the distribution plot.

Fig. 2. Cryo-EM analysis of the multilayered BG505 UFO trimer-presenting nanoparticles.

Two PGT145/SEC-purified SApNPs, BG505 UFO-E2p-L4P (**A**) and UFO-10GS-I3-01v9-L7P

(**B**), were analyzed. Representative raw cryo-EM micrographs, 2D classes and 3D maps featuring

full NPs (with trimer antigens) are displayed in the top left part of the corresponding panels.

Focused classification and refinement were applied to reconstruct a 3D map of the SApNP core

(top and bottom right), while the localized reconstruction approach was used for extraction and

analysis of trimer subparticles (bottom left). The maps are represented as transparent gray mesh

and the corresponding models are shown as ribbons (NPs - orange; trimer antigens - blue). The

refined model is presented for the E2p NP backbone, while the I3-01v9 and trimer maps are fitted

with previously reported models (PDB ID: 5KP9 and 6UTK).

Fig. 3. Glycan analysis of BG505 Env immunogens with wildtype and modified glycans. (**A**)

Comparison of site-specific occupancy and oligomannose-type glycan content for the BG505 UFO

trimer (wildtype, swainsonine, and kifunensine) and three SApNPs (wildtype). The plotted data

represent the mean of three analytical repeats, with trimers shown as circles and NPs as squares.

The oligomannose content was determined by adding all glycan compositions containing

HexNAc(2). (**B**) SEC profiles of BG505 UFO-E2p-L4P and UFO-10GS-I3-01v9-L7P SApNPs

upon endo H treatment. (**C**) Reducing SDS-PAGE of BG505 UFO-E2p-L4P and UFO-10GS-I3-

01v9-L7P SApNPs before and after glycan trimming by endo H. (**D**) EM images of glycan-

trimmed BG505 UFO-E2p-L4P and UFO-10GS-I3-01v9-L7P SApNPs. (**E**) Thermostability of

glycan-trimmed BG505 UFO-E2p-L4P and UFO-10GS-I3-01v9-L7P SApNPs, with T_m, $\Delta T_{1/2}$,

and T_{on} measured by DSC. (**F**) Site-specific glycoform analysis of E2p-L4P and I3-01v9-L7P

SApNPs before and after glycan trimming. The proportion of each glycoform on each site is

represented as the mean of three analytical repeats ± SEM, with oligomannose-type glycans

colored in green and complex-type glycans in pink. The proportion of PNGS lacking a glycan

modification are colored in grey and glycans cleaved with endo H are in blue. (**G**) Reducing SDS-

PAGE of BG505 UFO-E2p-L4P and UFO-10GS-I3-01v9-L7P SApNPs before and after endo H

treatment under two different conditions: 25°C for 5 hours (condition 1) and protein denaturation

at 100°C followed by treatment at 37°C for 1 hour (condition 2).

Fig. 4. Antigenicity of BG505 UFO Env immunogens with wildtype and modified glycans.

(**A**) Antigenic profiles of BG505 UFO trimer (top) and its three SApNPs based on FR, E2p-L4D,

and I3-01v9-L7P (bottom) with different glycan treatments (wildtype, expressed in the presence

of kifunensine, and endo H treatment). A total of 13 NAbs/bNAbs and eight non-NAbs were tested

by BLI. Sensorgrams were obtained from an Octet RED96 using an antigen titration series of six

concentrations (starting at 266.7 nM for the UFO trimer, 14.9 nM for the FR SApNP, 5.5 nM for

the E2p and I3-01v9 SApNPs followed by two-fold dilution) and are shown in Fig. S4. The peak

values at the highest concentration are summarized in the matrix, in which cells are colored in red

and green for (b)NAbs and non-NAbs, respectively. Higher color intensity indicates greater

binding signal measured by Octet. (**B**) Negative-stain EM analysis of the glycan-trimmed BG505

UFO trimer in complex with bNAb PGT128. Examples of 2D class images (top) and comparison

with a cryo-EM model of BG505 SOSIP/PGT128 complex (bottom, EMDB-3121, cornflower

blue). (**C**) Negative-stain EM analysis of the glycan-trimmed BG505 UFO trimer in complex with

bNAb VRC01. Examples of 2D class images (top) and superposition of the 3D reconstruction onto

two previously reported BG505 SOSIP/VRC01 models derived from negative-stain EM (EMDB-

6252, orange) and cryo-EM (PDB ID: 6V8X, cyan and green).

Fig. 5. Immunogenicity of HIV-1 UFO Env immunogens with wildtype glycans in mice and

rabbits. (**A**) Schematic representation of the mouse immunization regimen for two BG505 UFO

trimer-presenting E2p and I3-01v9 SApNPs. (**B**) Neutralization of tier 2 clade A BG505.T332N

and tier 1 clade B SF162 by purified mouse IgG from week 11. (**C**) Percent neutralization of week

11 mouse IgG from four vaccine responders against BG505.T332N and its I396R mutant. Vaccine

responders are those subjects with $IC_{50} < 300$ μg/ml in IgG neutralization against BG505.T332N.

Color coding indicates the level of reduction in % neutralization relative to BG505.T332N. In both

(B) and (C), the TZM-bl assay was performed in duplicate, starting at an IgG concentration of 300

μg/ml (unless otherwise indicated by *) and a 3-fold dilution series. (D) Schematic representation

of the rabbit immunization protocol. Seven groups of rabbits, 6 per group, were immunized to test

the BG505 UFO trimer and its FR, E2p, and I3-01v9 SApNPs, with a cocktail group added for

each SApNP by mixing equal amounts of three SApNPs that display BG505 UFO, CH505 UFO-

BG, or H078.14 UFO-BG trimers (termed Env mix). (E) Longitudinal analysis of rabbit plasma

neutralization between weeks 2 and 28. For each group, average ID_{50} values against BG505.T332N

are shown with the SEM. Groups that were immunized with the same vaccine platform are plotted

on the same graph: trimer (red), FR (dark/light purple), E2p (dark/light green) and I3-01v9

(dark/light blue). Week 0 data are omitted due to nonspecific background signals. (F) Percentage

neutralization of select week 26 rabbit plasma ($\geq$ 35% neutralization against BG505.T332N at the

first dilution) against BG505.T332N and four glycan hole mutants. For each mutant virus, rabbit

plasma was tested in duplicate, starting at 100-fold dilution followed by a 3-fold dilution series.

Results are shown for BG505.T332N from (E) and the mutant virus at the 100-fold dilution. Color

coding indicates the level of reduction in % neutralization relative to BG505.T332N.

Fig 6. Immunogenicity of BG505 UFO Env immunogens with trimmed glycans in mice and

rabbits. (A) Schematic representation of mouse and rabbit immunization regimen 1, where

glycan-trimmed immunogens were used throughout, and regimen 2, where glycan-trimmed and

wildtype immunogens were used as prime (doses 1 and 2) and boost (doses 3 and 4), respectively.

A three-week interval was used to facilitate the rapid evaluation of various vaccine formulations.

The number of animals in each group is the same as in **Fig. 5**. (B) Frequency of vaccine responders

(FVR) calculated for groups in which mice were immunized with the BG505 UFO trimer (left),

E2p SApNP (middle), and I3-01v9 SApNP (right). Purified mouse IgGs from week 11 were tested

against tier 2 clade A BG505.T332N. The TZM-bl neutralization assay was done in duplicate at a

starting concentration of 300 µg/ml and followed by a 3-fold dilution series. A vaccine responder

is defined as a subject with $IC_{50} \leq 300$ µg/ml. No IgG was available for one mouse in the UFO

trimer/AP regimen 1 group and two mice in the I3-01v9/AP regimen 1 (1st repeat) group. In the

comparator groups, no IgG was available for one mouse each in the wildtype E2p/AP and E2p/AV

groups. (C) Percent neutralization values of week 11 mouse IgG from select mouse samples ($\geq$

30% autologous neutralization at the highest IgG concentration) against BG505.T332N and its

I396R mutant. Color coding indicates the level of reduction in % neutralization relative to

BG505.T332N. (D) Neutralization of tier 2 clade A BG505.T332N by purified rabbit IgG from

week 11. (E) FVR of four rabbit groups based on the week 11 autologous neuralization data, with

vaccine responder defined as in (B). (F) Percentage neutralization of select week 11 rabbit IgG

samples ($\geq$ 30% autologous neutralization at the highest IgG concentration) against BG505.T332N

and its four glycan hole mutants. The TZM-bl assay was done in duplicate at a starting

concentration of 300 ug/ml and followed by a 3-fold dilution series. Color coding from red to green

indicates greater to lesser reduction in % neutralization relative to BG505.T332N.

Fig. 7. BG505 UFO Env-SApNP vaccines induce long-term retention in lymph node follicles.

(**A**) BG505 UFO trimer-presenting I3-01v9 SApNP distribution in a lymph node 12 hours after a

single-dose injection (10 µg/injection, 40 µg/mouse). Anti-Env VRC01, PGT124 and PGDM1400

bNAbs were used to stain the lymph node tissue sections. (**B**) Schematic illustration of I3-01v9

SApNP accumulation in a lymph node. (**C**) Histological images of the distribution of the BG505

UFO trimer and trimer-presenting E2p and I3-01v9 SApNP trafficking and retention in lymph

node follicles 30 minutes to 8 weeks after a single-dose injection. Scale bar = 50 μm for each

image. All immunogens had wildtype glycans except that a glycan-trimmed (GT) I3-01v9 SApNP

was included for comparison. (**D**) Time-dependent curve and (**E**) Area under the curve (AUC) of

the VRC01-stained area in histological images of the vaccine retention in lymph node follicles

over 8 weeks. (**F**) Quantification of vaccine accumulation in lymph node follicles 48 hours after a

single-dose injection. Data were collected from more than 10 lymph node follicles (n = 3-5

mice/group). (**G**) BG505 UFO trimer and trimer-presenting SApNP vaccine interaction with FDC

networks in lymph node follicles 48 hours after a single-dose injection. All BG505 Env-SApNP

immunogens, regardless of the NP platform and glycan treatment, were colocalized with FDC

networks. Immunofluorescent images are pseudo-color-coded (CD21$^+$, green; CD169$^+$, red;

VRC01, white). Scale bars = 500 and 100 μm for complete lymph node and enlarged image of a

follicle, respectively. The data points are expressed as mean ± SEM for (**D**) and SD for (**F**). The

data were analyzed using one-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's multiple comparison post hoc

test. ****$p < 0.0001$.

Fig. 8. Representative TEM images of BG505 UFO Env-SApNPs interacting with FDCs and

phagocytic cells in lymph nodes. (**A**) TEM images of BG505 UFO-E2p-L4P SApNPs (yellow

arrows) and AddaVax adjuvant (green arrows) presented on the FDC dendrites in a lymph node

12 hours after a single-dose injection (50 μg/injection). (**B**) and (**C**) TEM images of BG505 UFO-

10GS-I3-01v9-L7P SApNPs (yellow arrows), wildtype and glycan-trimmed (GT), aligned on FDC

dendrites without observable aluminum phosphate (AP) adjuvant 12 hours after a single-dose

injection. (**D**) TEM images of BG505 UFO-E2p-L4P SApNPs (yellow arrows) and AddaVax

adjuvant (green arrows) colocalized on the surface or inside of endolysosomes of a macrophage

12 hours after injection. (**E**) and (**F**) TEM images of BG505 UFO-10GS-I3-01v9-L7P SApNPs

(yellow arrows), wildtype and glycan-trimmed (GT), and aluminum phosphate adjuvant (green

arrows) internalized inside endolysosomes of a macrophage, with only SApNPs (yellow arrows)

on the macrophage surface (E) 48 hours, or (F) 12 hours after the injection.

Fig. 9. **HIV-1 SApNP vaccines induce robust long-lived germinal centers in lymph nodes.** (A)

Top: Representative immunohistological images of BG505 UFO-10GS-I3-01v9 SApNP vaccine

induced germinal centers (GCs) at two weeks after a single-dose injection (10 μg/injection, 40

μg/mouse). Bottom left: GC B cells (GL7+, red) adjacent to FDCs (CD21+, green) in lymph node

follicles. Bottom Right: Tfh cells in the light zone (LZ) of GCs. Scale bars = 500 and 100 μm for

complete lymph node and enlarged image of a follicle, respectively. (**B**) and (**C**) Quantification of

GCs using immunofluorescent images at week 2, 5 and 8 after (B) a single-dose or (C) prime-

boost injections (n = 5-10 mice/group). The GC/FDC ratio and GC size were determined and

plotted here. (**D**) and (**E**) Representative immunohistological images of GCs included by the

BG505 UFO trimer, E2p, I3-01v9, and GT I3-01v9 SApNP vaccines at week 8 after (D) a single-

dose or (E) prime-boost injections. Scale bar = 50 μm for each image. (**F**) and (**G**) Quantification

of GCs by flow cytometry after (F) a single-dose or (G) prime-boost injections. Percentage and

number of GC B cells and T_{fh} cells were determined and plotted. The data points are shown as

mean ± SD. The data were analyzed using one-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's multiple

comparison post hoc test for each timepoint. *$p < 0.05$, **$p < 0.01$, ***$p < 0.001$, ****$p < 0.0001$.

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A BG505 UFO-E2p-L4P

Focused Refinement
Resolution = 3.7Å

NP core

Localized Reconstruction
Resolution = 7.4Å

Trimer   3-fold   2-fold

B BG505 UFO-10GS-I3-01v9-L7P

Focused Refinement
Resolution = 6.0Å

NP core

Localized Reconstruction
Resolution = 10.4Å

Trimer   3-fold   2-fold

Figure 3

A

	PGDM1400	PGT145	PG16	PGT121	PGT128	PGT135	438-B11	2G12	VRC01	VRC34	PGT151	35O22	M4H2K1	F105	b6	19b	446-52D	F240	7B2	17b	A32
Trimer comparison																					
BG505 UFO trimer (WT)	1.0	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.8	0.4	0.7	0.6	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.1	0.3	0.7	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
BG505 UFO trimer (KIF)	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.6	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
BG505 UFO trimer (endo H)	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.8	0.4	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1
Trimer-SApNP comparison																					
BG505 UFO trimer (WT)	1.1	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.4	0.8	0.6	0.8	0.9	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.2	0.3	0.7	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
BG505 UFO-FR (WT)	2.7	2.1	1.7	1.5	2.1	0.8	1.5	1.9	1.1	0.4	0.2	0.3	1.3	0.2	0.3	1.8	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
BG505 UFO-E2p-L4P (WT)	3.3	2.8	2.3	1.7	2.7	1.0	1.9	2.6	1.3	0.5	0.1	0.4	1.6	0.2	0.3	1.9	2.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
BG505 UFO-10GS-I3-01v9-L7P (WT)	2.9	2.5	2.0	1.5	2.3	1.0	1.7	2.3	1.3	0.5	0.4	0.4	1.5	0.2	0.3	1.8	1.7	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1
BG505 UFO trimer (KIF)	0.4	0.5	0.2	0.6	0.7	0.3	0.7	0.6	0.8	0.8	0.0	0.7	0.6	0.2	0.4	0.7	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
BG505 UFO-FR (KIF)	2.3	2.2	1.6	1.2	2.0	0.7	1.7	1.7	1.0	0.2	0.0	0.2	1.2	0.2	0.3	1.5	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
BG505 UFO-E2p-L4P (KIF)	2.6	2.7	1.7	1.3	2.6	1.1	2.2	2.4	0.9	0.3	0.0	0.5	1.3	0.2	0.3	1.8	1.9	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
BG505 UFO-10GS-I3-01v9-L7P (KIF)	2.3	2.4	1.7	1.3	2.3	1.2	1.9	2.1	1.1	0.3	0.0	0.5	1.4	0.3	0.4	1.9	1.7	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1
BG505 UFO trimer (endo H)	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	1.1	0.6	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
BG505 UFO-FR (endo H)	2.6	2.1	1.9	1.5	1.9	1.4	1.6	1.9	2.2	0.7	0.1	0.7	1.7	0.4	0.5	1.9	1.6	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1
BG505 UFO-E2p-L4P (endo H)	2.8	2.2	2.5	1.7	2.4	1.7	1.7	2.2	2.5	0.7	0.1	0.7	2.1	0.2	0.3	1.9	1.8	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1
BG505 UFO-10GS-I3-01v9-L7P (endo H)	2.3	2.2	2.1	1.6	2.2	1.6	1.6	2.2	2.4	0.7	0.0	0.8	2.0	0.3	0.5	1.8	1.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1

B Glycan-trimmed (GT) BG505 UFO trimer with PGT128

2D class comparison

BG505 SOSIP/PGT128 (EMDB-3121)

C Glycan-trimmed (GT) BG505 UFO trimer with VRC01

3D model fitting

90°

BG505 SOSIP/VRC01 (EMDB-6252)

BG505 SOSIP F14/VRC01 (PDB ID: 6V8X)

A

B

Vaccine

C

% neutralization of mouse IgG against BG505.T332N.I396R mutant [a.]				
Vaccine:	BG505 E2p SApNP		BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	
Animal ID:	G2-M4*	G3-M2	G3-M1	G4-M6
BG505.T332N	33	84	94	93
BG505.T332N.I396R	6	17	52	26

a. Color coding indicates percentage reduction with respect to the % neutralization value obtained for BG505.T332N, <25% green, 25-50% yellow, 50-75% orange, >75% red.
*results shown for this IgG are at ~100 μg/ml for both BG505.T332N & mutant viruses

D

E

Immunogens
- BG505 UFO trimer
- BG505 FR SApNP
- **Env mix FR SApNP
- BG505 E2P SApNP
- **Env mix E2P SApNP
- BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP
- **Env mix I3-01v9 SApNP

**Env mix refers to three Envs displayed on separate NPs in that vaccine: BG505 UFO.664 Env, CH505 UFO.664-BG Env & H078.14 UFO.664-BG Env

Dotted line at ID₅₀ = 100

F

% neutralization of W26 rabbit sera against BG505.T332N glycan hole mutants [b.]																										
Vaccine	BG505 UFO trimer				BG505 FR SApNP				Env Mix FR SApNP		BG505 E2p SApNP					Env Mix E2p SApNP		BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP			Env Mix I3-01v9 SApNP				
Animal ID	121	122	123	124	126	127	128	130	132	143	137	156	158	159	160	141[c.]	143[c.]	146	147	149	150	151	152	154
BG505.T332N	72	83	64	82	95	95	49	95	37	73	93	45	47	55	96	78	94	84	98	88	86	99	67	42
BG505.T332N.Q130N	86	86	75	89	98	90	69	98	61	90	98	45	59	72	96	60	85	84	99	93	67	98	92	24
BG505.T332N.S241N	6	69	54	-19	82	85	63	51	37	72	86	48	56	12	88	73	87	74	82	83	77	82	69	51
BG505.T332N.P291T	-12	47	31	-14	92	80	27	94	24	63	73	43	37	25	91	68	94	67	97	83	65	96	31	17
BG505.T332N.T465N	79	85	42	79	50	43	23	67	24	38	83	24	23	64	36	33	72	52	54	33	62	38	58	21

b. Color coding indicates percentage reduction with respect to the % neutralization value obtained for BG505.T332N, <25% green, 25-50% yellow, 50-75% orange, >75% red.

c. Against BG505.T332N.Q130N: W28 plasma used for rabbits 141 and 143. The % neutralization change is <25% in comparison to BG505.T332N at either W28 (data not shown) or W26 (above).

A

B Neutralization against tier 2 BG505.T332N by purified mouse IgG

C

% neutralization of mouse IgG against BG505.T332N.I396R mutant [a.]																			
Vaccine	BG505 UFO trimer (Aluminum phosphate)															BG505 E2p SApNP (AddaVax)			
Glycan trimming regimen	Regimen 1							Regimen 2								Regimen 1		Regimen 2	
Animal ID	G3-M1	G3-M2	G3-M4	G3-M5	G3-M6	G3-M7	G3-M8	G4-M1	G4-M2	G4-M3	G4-M4	G4-M5	G4-M6	G4-M7	G4-M8	G1-M2	G1-M3	G1-M5	G2-M4	G2-M8
BG505.T332N	95	51	76	98	97	56	37	70	86	97	68	95	33	38	84	51	32	90	32	86
BG505.T332N. I396R	37	28	63	28	29	46	29	32	24	30	34	33	31	42	42	89	36	27	13	95

Vaccine	BG505 E2p SApNP (Aluminum phosphate)													BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP (Aluminum phosphate)					
Glycan trimming regimen	Regimen 1							Regimen 2						Regimen 1			Regimen 2		
Animal ID	G1-M1	G1-M2	G1-M3	G1-M4	G1-M5	G1-M6	G1-M7	G2-M2	G2-M3	G2-M4	G2-M6	G2-M7	G2-M8	G3-M1	G3-M3	G3-M8	G4-M2	G4-M3	G4-M4	G4-M5
BG505.T332N	49	71	73	71	93	39	89	92	98	60	88	91	38	70	49	91	93	82	91	87
BG505.T332N. I396R	40	71	87	80	86	39	30	89	58	62	92	41	37	66	43	43	98	94	96	46

a. Color coding indicates percentage reduction with respect to the % neutralization value obtained for BG505.T332N, <25% green, 25-50% yellow, 50-75% orange, >75% red.

D Neutralization against tier 2 BG505.T332N by week 11 purified rabbit IgG

E

F

% neutralization of rabbit IgG against BG505.T332N glycan hole mutants [b.]												
Vaccine	BG505 E2p SApNP				BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP							
Glycan trimming regimen	Regimen 1		Regimen 2		Regimen 1			Regimen 2				
Animal ID	G1-2	G1-6	G2-1	G2-3	G3-2	G3-3	G3-4	G4-2	G4-3	G4-4	G4-5	G4-6
BG505.T332N	97	54	59	34	96	61	84	82	32	87	64	94
BG505.T332N.**Q130N**	97	53	69	38	97	58	90	87	5	91	77	96
BG505.T332N.**S241N**	99	2	89	26	100	32	96	90	71	91	62	98
BG505.T332N.**P291T**	96	2	74	7	97	11	88	86	53	88	59	95
BG505.T332N.**T465N**	16	59	16	39	36	59	26	65	54	39	49	95

b. Color coding indicates percentage reduction with respect to the % neutralization value obtained for BG505.T332N, <25% green, 25-50% yellow, 50-75% orange, >75% red.

Figure 7

Figure 8

Figure 9

Table S1. Cryo-EM data collection information.

	BG505 UFO-10GS-I3-01v9-L7P	BG505 UFO-E2p-L4P
Microscope	Talos Arctica	Titan Krios
Voltage (kV)	200	300
Detector	Gatan K2 Summit	Gatan K2 Summit
Recording mode	Counting	Counting
Magnification	36,000 ×	29,000 ×
Movie micrograph pixel size	1.15	1.03
Dose rate (e−/Å2/s)	4.2	4.9
No. of frames per movie micrograph	48	41
Frame exposure time (ms)	250	250
Movie micrograph exposure time (s)	12	10.25
Total dose (e−/Å2)	50.4	50.2
Under focus range (μm)	0.6 – 2.0	0.7 – 1.5
Number of movie micrographs	1200	2300

Table S2. Model building and refinement statistics for the BG505 UFO E2p-L4P NP core.

	BG505 UFO-E2p-L4P core
Map Resolution	3.7
EMDB ID	-
PDB	-
Residues	13980
Amino-acids	13980
Carbohydrates	0
RMSD Bonds	0.019
RMSD Angles	1.605
Ramachandran	
Outliers (%)	0.0
Allowed (%)	1.3
Favored (%)	98.7
Rotamer outliers	0.00
Clash score	0.00
Molprobity score	0.50
EMRinger score	3.51

C

>BG505 UFO-FR

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QYVKGIAKSRKS

>BG505 UFO-E2p-LD4-PADRE (or E2p-L4P)

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KALDLAFYFDRRLTPEWRRYLSQRLGLNEEQIERWFRRKEQQIGWSHPQFEKGSAKFVAAWTLKAAA

>BG505 UFO-10GS-I3-01v9-LD7-PADRE (or I3-01v9-L7P)

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SLLRRWNSRRADGSAKFVAAWTLKAAA

fig S1. Design and in vitro characterization of BG505 UFO trimer-presenting SApNPs. (A) Additional thermostability data for BG505 UFO trimer-presenting FR (left), E2p-L4P, and I3-01v9-L7P NPs, with T_m (T_{m1} and T_{m2} for E2p), ΔT1/2, and T_{on} measured by differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) and labeled on the plots. For FR and I3-01v9 NPs, the raw and Gaussian-fitted DSC data are shown in black and red lines, respectively. (B) Additional particle size data for BG505 UFO trimer-presenting E2p-L4P NP measured by dynamic light scattering using a Zetasizer. The average particle size is labeled on the plots. (C) Construct sequences of BG505 UFO trimer-presenting FR (left), E2p-L4P, and I3-01v9-L7P NPs, with the gene fragments of leader sequence, restriction site, BG505 UFO Env, flexible linker, NP-forming subunit, locking domain (LD), and PADRE highlighted in yellow, green, gray, light magenta, cyan, olive green, and red shades, respectively.

fig S2. Cryo-EM analysis of BG505 UFO-E2p-L4P and UFO-10GS-I3-01v9-L7PSApNPs. (**A**) Negative stain EM of the two multilayered SApNP immunogens to validate their structural integrity. For BG505 UFO-E2p-L4P SApNP, cryo-EM data are shown for (**B**) 3D classification (spherical mask around the NP center) and (**C**) Subparticle extraction followed by 3D classification.

A   WT BG505 UFO trimer

B   BG505 UFO trimer expressed in the presence of Swainsonine

C BG505 UFO trimer expressed in the presence of kifunensine

D WT BG505 UFO-FR SApNP

E   WT BG505 UFO-E2p-L4P SApNP

F   WT BG505 UFO-10GS-I3-01v9-L7P SApNP

G Endo H-treated BG505 UFO-E2p-L4P SApNP

H Endo H-treated BG505 UFO-10GS-I3-01v9-L7P SApNP

I

Summary of OD$_{450}$ values in ELISA of glycan-trimmed I3-01v9 and E2p SApNPs binding to an anti-MBP antibody and bNAb VRC01[a].

A. BG505 UFO-10GS-I3-01v9-L7P SApNP

	µg/ml	No endo H treatment	Endo H-treated sample-1	Endo H-treated sample-2	Endo H-treated sample-3	Endo H-treated sample-4	Endo H-treated sample-5	Endo H-treated sample-6	Endo H-treated sample-7	Endo H-treated sample-8	Endo H-treated sample-9	Endo H-treated sample-10	Endo Hf
	1	2.61	2.77	2.66	2.72	2.72	2.75	2.81	2.79	2.70	2.74	2.62	0.09
	0.1	2.63	2.73	2.73	2.60	2.82	2.80	2.71	2.69	2.72	2.71	2.51	0.06
VRC01	0.01	1.87	2.18	2.12	2.08	2.22	2.16	2.08	2.16	2.07	2.15	2.16	0.05
	0.001	0.45	0.69	0.69	0.66	0.64	0.66	0.65	0.64	0.63	0.66	0.64	0.06

	dilution	No endo H treatment	Endo H-treated sample-1	Endo H-treated sample-2	Endo H-treated sample-3	Endo H-treated sample-4	Endo H-treated sample-5	Endo H-treated sample-6	Endo H-treated sample-7	Endo H-treated sample-8	Endo H-treated sample-9	Endo H-treated sample-10	Endo Hf
	×466	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.09	0.11	**0.15**	0.10	0.10	0.07	0.06	2.32
	×4660	0.05	0.08	0.10	0.10	0.08	0.10	0.13	0.09	0.09	0.06	0.06	2.10
MBP mAb	×46600	0.05	0.06	0.08	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.08	0.07	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.89
	×466000	0.05	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.25

B. BG505 UFO-E2p-L4P SApNP

	µg/ml	No endo H treatment	Endo H-treated sample-1	Endo H-treated sample-2	Endo H-treated sample-3	Endo H-treated sample-4	Endo H-treated sample-5	Endo H-treated sample-6	Endo H-treated sample-7	Endo H-treated sample-8	Endo H-treated sample-9	Endo H-treated sample-10	Endo Hf
	1	2.78	2.78	2.82	2.76	2.62	2.63	2.71	2.68	2.80	2.69	2.72	0.09
	0.1	2.60	2.76	2.53	2.63	2.61	2.65	2.48	2.61	2.72	2.67	2.69	0.06
VRC01	0.01	1.70	2.14	2.18	2.24	2.13	2.10	2.10	2.02	2.18	2.12	1.96	0.05
	0.001	0.38	0.62	0.65	0.68	0.62	0.66	0.59	0.62	0.63	0.61	0.47	0.06

	dilution	No endo H treatment	Endo H-treated sample-1	Endo H-treated sample-2	Endo H-treated sample-3	Endo H-treated sample-4	Endo H-treated sample-5	Endo H-treated sample-6	Endo H-treated sample-7	Endo H-treated sample-8	Endo H-treated sample-9	Endo H-treated sample-10	Endo Hf
	×466	0.06	0.18	0.24	0.22	0.20	0.19	0.15	**0.30**	0.20	0.18	0.17	2.32
	×4660	0.06	0.13	0.17	0.17	0.16	0.14	0.12	0.25	0.16	0.13	0.13	2.10
MBP mAb	×46600	0.07	0.08	0.10	0.10	0.09	0.08	0.07	0.13	0.09	0.08	0.07	0.89
	×466000	0.07	0.06	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.08	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.25

[a] Wildtype SApNP (without endo H treatment) and endo Hf (a fusion of endo H and MBP) were included in the ELISA binding analysis as controls, shown in the first and last columns respectively.

fig S3. Site-specific glycan analysis of BG505 UFO trimer and SApNPs. Site-specific glycan profiles are shown for the following immunogens: (**A**) WT BG505 UFO trimer. (**B**) BG505 UFO trimer expressed in the presence of Swainsonine, (**C**) BG505 UFO trimer expressed in the presence of kifunensine, (**D**) WT BG505 UFO-FR SApNP, (**E**) WT BG505 UFO-E2p-L4P SApNP, (**F**) WT BG505 UFO-10GS-I3-01v9-L7P SApNP, (**G**) Endo H-treated BG505 UFO-E2p-L4P SApNP, and (**H**) Endo H-treated BG505 UFO-10GS-I3-01v9-L7P SApNP. (**I**) The OD450 readout obtained from an ELISA binding test of endo H-treated SApNPs against an MBP-specific mouse antibody and bNAb VRC01. A total of 10 samples generated from different productions run were tested in this analysis. Four concentrations were tested for VRC01, while four dilutions were used in the ELISA test against an MBP-specific mouse antibody (The initial ×466 dilution was based on the manufacturer's recommendation). The OD450 values obtained from the highest antibody concentration in the MBP mAb binding assay are highlighted in grey shade, with the highest OD450 values colored in red.

A **WT BG505 UFO trimer (AHC)**

B BG505 UFO trimer expressed in the presence of kifunensine (AHC)

C BG505 UFO trimer treated by endo H (AHC)

D WT BG505 UFO trimer (AHQ)

E **WT BG505 UFO trimer-presenting FR SApNP (AHQ)**

F   WT BG505 UFO trimer-presenting E2p-L4P SApNP (AHQ)

G WT BG505 UFO trimer-presenting I3-01v9 SApNP (AHQ)

H BG505 UFO trimer expressed in the presence of kifunensine (AHQ)

BG505 UFO trimer-presenting FR SApNP expressed in the presence of kifunensine (AHQ)

J BG505 UFO trimer-presenting E2p-L4P SApNP expressed in the presence of kifunensine (AHQ)

K **BG505 UFO trimer-presenting I3-01v9 SApNP expressed in the presence of kifunensine (AHQ)**

∟ **BG505 UFO trimer treated by endo H (AHQ)**

M BG505 UFO trimer-presenting FR SApNP treated by endo H (AHQ)

N **BG505 UFO trimer-presenting E2p-L4P SApNP treated by endo H (AHQ)**

○ **BG505 UFO trimer-presenting I3-01v9-L7P SApNP treated by endo H (AHQ)**

fig. S4. **Antigenic characterization of BG505 UFO trimer and trimer-presenting SApNPs with wildtype and modified glycans**. BG505 Env immunogens were tested against a panel of 21 HIV-1 antibodies including NAbs, bNAbs, and nNAbs by BLI. Sensorgrams were obtained from an Octet RED96 instrument using two types of biosensors, AHC and AHQ. The antigens tested here include (**A**) WT BG505 UFO trimer (AHC), (**B**) BG505 UFO trimer expressed in the presence of kifunensine (AHC), (**C**) BG505 UFO trimer treated by endo H (AHC), (**D**) WT BG505 UFO trimer (AHQ), (**E**) WT BG505 UFO trimer-presenting FR SApNP (AHQ), (**F**) WT BG505 UFO trimer-presenting E2p-L4P SApNP (AHQ), (**G**) WT BG505 UFO trimer-presenting I3-01v9-L7P SApNP (AHQ), (**H**) BG505 UFO trimer expressed in the presence of kifunensine (AHQ), (**I**) BG505 UFO trimer-presenting FR SApNP expressed in the presence of kifunensine (AHQ), (**J**) BG505 UFO trimer-presenting E2p-L4P SApNP expressed in the presence of kifunensine (AHQ), (**K**) BG505 UFO trimer-presenting I3-01v9-L7P SApNP expressed in the presence of kifunensine (AHQ), (**L**) BG505 UFO trimer treated by endo H (AHQ), (**M**) BG505 UFO trimer-presenting FR SApNP treated by endo H (AHQ), (**N**) BG505 UFO trimer-presenting E2p-L4P SApNP treated by endo H (AHQ), and (**O**) BG505 UFO trimer-presenting I3-01v9-L7P SApNP treated by endo H (AHQ). A two-fold concentration gradient of antigen, starting at 266.7 nM for the UFO trimer, 14.9 nM for the FR SApNP, and 5.5 nM for the E2p and I3-01v9 SApNPs, was used in a titration series of six. SDS-PAGE was run for (C), (L), (M), (N), and (O) to estimate molecular weight of glycan-trimmed vs. WT BG505 Env immunogens to ensure that molar concentration was comparable in their BLI assays. (**P**) Negative-stain EM analysis of the glycan-trimmed BG505 UFO trimer in complex with bNAb VRC01. Left: flowchart for image processing. Right top: 2D classes selected for 3D reconstruction and excluded from 3D reconstruction. Right bottom: Estimated resolution (12.2 Å) of the EM reconstruction for the BG505 UFO trimer/VRC01 complex was calculated from the Fourier shell correlation (FSC) using a cut-off of 0.143.

A Week 11 mouse IgG neutralization against HIV-1 BG505.T332N

Vaccine	Adjuvant	IC$_{50}$ titers (µg/ml)							
		M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8
BG505 E2p SApNP	No adjuvant	>300	>300	>300	>300	No IgG	>300	>300	>300
	AddaVax	>300	>300	>300	200	>300	>300	No IgG	>300
	Aluminum phosphate	>300	90	No IgG	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300
	Aluminum hydroxide	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300
	AddaVax/Aluminum phosphate	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	No adjuvant	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300
	AddaVax	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300
	Aluminum phosphate	21	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300
	Aluminum hydroxide	No IgG	>300	>300	>300	>300	36	>300	>300
	AddaVax/Aluminum phosphate	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300

No IgG: indicates no IgG available to test.

Week 11 mouse IgG neutralization against HIV SF162

Vaccine	Adjuvant	IC$_{50}$ titers (µg/ml)							
		M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8
BG505 E2p SApNP	No adjuvant	>300	>300	>300	>300	-	>300	>300	>300
	AddaVax	>300	26	18	>300	250	13	No IgG	>300
	Aluminum phosphate	4	34	No IgG	39	62	>300	1	2
	Aluminum hydroxide	14	2	7	29	104	9	>300	14
	AddaVax/Aluminum phosphate	77	83	20	287	4	1	>300	35
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	No adjuvant	>300	>300	>300	16	>300	>300	>300	12
	AddaVax	146	>300	11	2	79	26	11	89
	Aluminum phosphate	5	34	91	>300	126	9	86	5
	Aluminum hydroxide	No IgG	9	41	4	45	28	15	>300
	AddaVax/Aluminum phosphate	1	88	13	285	>300	14	>300	102

No IgG: indicates no IgG available to test.

Week 11 mouse IgG neutralization against MLV (negative control)

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Animal ID	IC50 titers (µg/ml)
BG505 E2p SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	D-S19 G3-M2	>300
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	D-S20 G3-M1	>300
	Aluminum hydroxide	D-S20 G4-M6	>300

B Week 11 mouse IgG neutralization IC$_{50}$ titers against HIV-1 BG505.T332N and BG505.T332N.I396R mutant

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Animal ID	IC$_{50}$ titers (µg/ml)	
			BG505. T332N	BG505. T332N. I396R
BG505 E2p SApNP	AddaVax	D-S19 G2-M4*	200	>300
	Aluminum phosphate	D-S19 G3-M2	90	>300
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	D-S20 G3-M1	21	293
	Aluminum hydroxide	D-S20 G4-M6	36	>300

* starting concentration for this sample was at 95 µg/ml against the
BG505.T332N I396R as inadequate sample left to start at 300 µg/ml

C Week 11 mouse IgG neutralization IC$_{50}$ and IC$_{30}$ titers against HIV-1 12 virus panel, BG505.T332N, SF162 & MLV (control)

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Animal ID	IC$_{50}$ titers (µg/ml) for each virus (clade)														
			TRO11 (B)	25710 (C)	398F1 (A)	CNE8 (AE)	X2278 (B)	BJOX-2000 (BC)	X1632 (G)	CE1176 (C)	246F3 (AC)	CH119 (BC)	CE0217 (C)	CNE55 (AE)	BG505. T332N (A)	SF162 (B)	MLV (control)
BG505 E2p SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	D-S19 G3-M2	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	90	34	>300
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	D-S20 G3-M1	>300	>300	269	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	21	5	>300
	Aluminum hydroxide	D-S20 G4-M6	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	36	28	>300

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Animal ID	IC$_{30}$ titers (µg/ml) for each virus (clade)														
			TRO11 (B)	25710 (C)	398F1 (A)	CNE8 (AE)	X2278 (B)	BJOX-2000 (BC)	X1632 (G)	CE1176 (C)	246F3 (AC)	CH119 (BC)	CE0217 (C)	CNE55 (AE)	BG505. T332N (A)	SF162 (B)	MLV (control)
BG505 E2p SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	D-S19 G3-M2	>300	>300	254	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	39	14	>300
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	D-S20 G3-M1	>300	>300	115	>300	>300	255	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	9	2	>300
	Aluminum hydroxide	D-S20 G4-M6	>300	>300	197	>300	>300	>300	>300	221	>300	>300	>300	>300	16	12	>300

D Weeks 0-28 rabbit plasma neutralization against HIV BG505.T332N, ID$_{50}$ and ID$_{30}$ titers

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Animal ID	ID$_{50}$ titers											
			w0	w2	w4	w6	w8	w10	w12	w16	w20	w24	w26	w28
BG505 UFO trimer	Addavax	119	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100
		120	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100
		121	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	136	<100	<100	<100	<100	191	<100
		122	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	116	<100	<100	<100	<100	381	139
		123	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	150	<100
		124	<100	<100	<100	501	134	178	<100	<100	<100	<100	996	194
BG505 FR SApNP	Addavax	125	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100
		126	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	737	485	179	113	<100	688	745
		127	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	601	511
		128	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100
		129	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100
		130	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	105	<100	<100	<100	<100	760	454
Env Mix FR SApNP	Addavax	131	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100
		132	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	113
		133	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100
		134	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	151	125
		135	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100
		136	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100
BG505 E2p SApNP	Addavax	155	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	269	126	<100	<100	<100	563	331
		156	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100
		157	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100
		158	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100
		159	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100
		160	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	521	208	<100	<100	<100	587	364
Env Mix E2p SApNP	Addavax	137	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100
		138	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100
		139	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100
		140	<100	<100	<100	220	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	210	<100
		141	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	247	132
		142	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	143	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	164	240	<100	<100	<100	659	492
		144	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	153
		145	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	124	<100
		146	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	247	116
		147	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	439	220	141	120	130	958	807
		148	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100
Env Mix I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	149	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	402	252	<100	<100	<100	334	382
		150	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	271	155
		151	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	656	330	241	142	111	1170	813
		152	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	128	<100
		153	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100
		154	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Animal ID	ID$_{30}$ titers											
			w0	w2	w4	w6	w8	w10	w12	w16	w20	w24	w26	w28
BG505 UFO trimer	Addavax	119	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	120	<100
		120	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100
		121	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	316	185	<100	<100	<100	446	179
		122	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	270	164	<100	<100	<100	889	324
		123	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	351	197
		124	<100	<100	<100	1168	312	415	213	133	<100	<100	2324	454
BG505 FR SApNP	Addavax	125	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	210
		126	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	1720	1131	417	263	140	1605	1738
		127	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	1401	1193
		128	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	109	<100	<100	<100	<100	186	140
		129	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	124
		130	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	245	<100	<100	<100	<100	1774	1060
Env Mix FR SApNP	Addavax	131	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	115
		132	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	105	265
		133	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100
		134	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	351	291
		135	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100
		136	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	190
BG505 E2p SApNP	Addavax	155	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	627	293	212	147	115	1313	773
		156	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	122	<100	<100	<100	<100	154	<100
		157	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	175	<100	133	<100	<100	107	<100
		158	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	170	<100	<100	<100	<100	149	<100
		159	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	170	<100	<100	198	<100
		160	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	1215	485	<100	<100	109	1369	849
Env Mix E2p SApNP	Addavax	137	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100
		138	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	117	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	116
		139	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	113
		140	<100	<100	<100	513	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	490	180
		141	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	118	<100	<100	<100	<100	576	308
		142	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	141
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	143	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	382	561	198	208	114	1537	1148
		144	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	357
		145	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	289	149
		146	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	104	<100	<100	<100	<100	576	271
		147	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	1025	514	328	280	302	2235	1883
		148	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	129	139
Env Mix I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	149	<100	<100	<100	<100	106	939	589	218	161	157	780	892
		150	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	123	<100	<100	<100	<100	631	363
		151	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	1530	770	562	331	260	2731	1897
		152	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	164	<100	<100	<100	<100	298	122
		153	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100
		154	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	114	<100	<100	<100	<100	145	<100

Week 0 rabbit plasma neutralization against HIV-1 BG505.T332N

Week 2 rabbit plasma neutralization against HIV-1 BG505.T332N

Week 4 rabbit plasma neutralization against HIV-1 BG505.T332N

Week 6 rabbit plasma neutralization against HIV-1 BG505.T332N

Week 8 rabbit plasma neutralization against HIV-1 BG505.T332N

Week 10 rabbit plasma neutralization against HIV-1 BG505.T332N

Week 12 rabbit plasma neutralization against HIV-1 BG505.T332N

Week 16 rabbit plasma neutralization against HIV-1 BG505.T332N

Week 20 rabbit plasma neutralization against HIV-1 BG505.T332N

Week 24 rabbit plasma neutralization against HIV-1 BG505.T332N

Week 26 rabbit plasma neutralization against HIV-1 BG505.T332N

Week 28 rabbit plasma neutralization against HIV-1 BG505.T332N

E Weeks 0-28 rabbit plasma neutralization against HIV SF162, ID$_{50}$ titers

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Animal ID	ID$_{50}$ titers											
			w0	w2	w4	w6	w8	w10	w12	w16	w20	w24	w26	w28
BG505 UFO trimer	Addavax	119	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	3429	920	375	<100	<100	1953	565
		120	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	310	107	<100	<100	<100	1120	452
		121	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	1926	821	362	108	101	1190	627
		122	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	840	174	<100	<100	<100	938	280
		123	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	661	135	<100	<100	<100	673	313
		124	<100	<100	<100	405	<100	641	153	<100	<100	<100	2015	689
BG505 FR SApNP	Addavax	125	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	2056	894	423	<100	<100	3716	882
		126	<100	<100	102	219	164	2745	975	425	115	<100	1534	754
		127	<100	<100	<100	200	362	4060	1343	554	240	236	5866	1759
		128	<100	<100	<100	<100	113	4055	1069	265	129	103	4408	968
		129	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	1553	521	228	<100	133	2736	829
		130	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	927	256	106	<100	<100	2552	973
Env Mix FR SApNP	Addavax	131	<100	<100	<100	<100	359	1025	284	191	<100	<100	1541	562
		132	<100	<100	<100	103	111	1222	485	218	<100	<100	1534	210
		133	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	566	180	104	<100	<100	1273	355
		134	<100	<100	<100	123	346	2494	1150	665	214	221	4272	641
		135	<100	<100	<100	129	215	2301	706	252	<100	122	3695	515
		136	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	942	272	152	<100	<100	4795	225
BG505 E2p SApNP	Addavax	155	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	474	162	<100	<100	<100	1424	606
		156	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	1003	323	<100	<100	<100	1833	257
		157	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	5656	1819	390	294	190	2726	820
		158	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	1405	428	<100	<100	<100	866	317
		159	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	2241	666	206	149	209	2712	1131
		160	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	1063	311	183	<100	108	610	293
Env Mix E2p SApNP	Addavax	137	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	912	329	167	<100	107	1061	275
		138	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	1220	360	115	<100	<100	3029	660
		139	<100	<100	<100	202	309	1557	1018	643	395	334	7500	946
		140	<100	<100	<100	138	<100	2666	833	280	<100	<100	3422	517
		141	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	1484	461	234	<100	<100	895	230
		142	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	1949	836	467	230	244	3779	993
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	143	<100	<100	<100	<100	132	1101	342	173	<100	<100	2028	216
		144	<100	<100	<100	146	317	1641	833	464	297	359	5417	1031
		145	<100	<100	112	121	174	1084	415	223	114	139	5341	1272
		146	<100	<100	<100	102	262	1469	1250	693	233	245	2477	579
		147	<100	<100	287	1378	2413	3366	2188	1287	895	924	6167	1551
		148	<100	<100	<100	255	532	3835	1642	717	320	256	2790	514
Env Mix I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	149	<100	<100	<100	291	449	996	418	124	<100	104	1396	363
		150	<100	<100	<100	210	370	2981	2027	275	147	158	5805	1113
		151	<100	<100	<100	<100	179	6838	1663	566	355	325	7193	3074
		152	<100	<100	<100	220	276	2487	726	230	110	114	5597	1552
		153	<100	<100	116	333	349	4624	1252	392	159	171	7687	3191
		154	<100	<100	<100	145	223	2588	737	250	163	215	3045	844

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Week 8 rabbit plasma neutralization against HIV-1 SF162

Week 10 rabbit plasma neutralization against HIV-1 SF162

Week 12 rabbit plasma neutralization against HIV-1 SF162

Week 16 rabbit plasma neutralization against HIV-1 SF162

Week 20 rabbit plasma neutralization against HIV-1 SF162

Week 24 rabbit plasma neutralization against HIV-1 SF162

Week 26 rabbit plasma neutralization against HIV-1 SF162

Week 28 rabbit plasma neutralization against HIV-1 SF162

F   Weeks 0, 2, 10 & 26 rabbit plasma neutralization against MLV, ID_{50} titers

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Animal ID	ID_{50} titers			
			w0	w2	w10	w26
BG505 UFO trimer	Addavax	119	<100	<100	<100	<100
		120	<100	<100	<100	<100
		121	<100	<100	<100	<100
		122	<100	<100	<100	<100
		123	<100	<100	<100	<100
		124	<100	<100	<100	<100
BG505 FR SApNP	Addavax	125	<100	<100	<100	<100
		126	<100	<100	<100	<100
		127	<100	<100	<100	<100
		128	<100	<100	<100	<100
		129	<100	<100	<100	<100
		130	<100	<100	<100	<100
Env Mix FR SApNP	Addavax	131	<100	<100	<100	<100
		132	<100	<100	<100	<100
		133	<100	<100	<100	<100
		134	<100	<100	<100	<100
		135	<100	<100	<100	<100
		136	<100	<100	<100	<100
BG505 E2p SApNP	Addavax	155	<100	<100	<100	<100
		156	<100	<100	<100	<100
		157	<100	<100	<100	<100
		158	<100	<100	<100	<100
		159	<100	<100	<100	<100
		160	<100	<100	<100	<100
Env Mix E2p SApNP	Addavax	137	<100	<100	<100	<100
		138	<100	<100	<100	<100
		139	<100	<100	<100	<100
		140	<100	<100	<100	<100
		141	<100	<100	<100	<100
		142	<100	<100	<100	<100
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	143	<100	<100	<100	<100
		144	<100	<100	<100	<100
		145	<100	<100	<100	<100
		146	<100	<100	<100	<100
		147	<100	<100	<100	<100
		148	<100	<100	<100	<100
Env Mix I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	149	<100	<100	<100	<100
		150	<100	<100	<100	<100
		151	<100	<100	<100	<100
		152	<100	<100	<100	<100
		153	<100	<100	<100	<100
		154	<100	<100	<100	<100

Week 0 rabbit plasma neutralization against MLV

Week 2 rabbit plasma neutralization against MLV

Week 10 rabbit plasma neutralization against MLV

Week 26 rabbit plasma neutralization against MLV

G Week 26 rabbit plasma neutralization against the 12-virus global panel, ID$_{50}$ and ID$_{30}$ titers

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Rabbit ID	ID$_{50}$ titers for each virus (clade)														
			TRO11 (B)	25710 (C)	398F1 (A)	CNE8 (AE)	X2278 (B)	BJOX-2000 (BC)	X1632 (G)	CE1176 (C)	246F3 (AC)	CH119 (BC)	CE0217 (C)	CNE55 (AE)	BG505.T332N (A)	SF162 (B)	MLV (control)
BG505 UFO trimer	Addavax	119	<40	<40	135	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	1953	<40
		120	<40	<40	80	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	1120	<40
		121	<40	<40	93	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	191	1190	<40
		122	<40	<40	144	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	381	938	<40
		123	57	54	258	48	<40	<40	<40	<40	43	<40	<40	<40	150	673	<40
		124	<40	<40	116	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	510	2015	<40
BG505 FR SApNP	Addavax	125	<40	<40	221	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	3716	<40
		126	<40	<40	94	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	688	1534	<40
		127	<40	<40	127	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	601	5866	<40
		128	<40	<40	154	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	4408	<40
		129	<40	40	148	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	2736	<40
		130	<40	<40	100	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	760	2552	<40
Env Mix FR SApNP	Addavax	131	<40	53	174	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	1541	<40
		132	<40	<40	106	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	1534	<40
		133	<40	71	179	48	<40	58	<40	47	41	<40	<40	<40	<100	1273	<40
		134	<40	<40	74	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	151	4272	<40
		135	<40	<40	100	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	3695	<40
		136	<40	<40	106	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	4795	<40
BG505 E2p SApNP	Addavax	155	<40	<40	63	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	563	1424	<40
		156	<40	<40	55	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	1833	<40
		157	<40	42	108	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	2726	<40
		158	<40	<40	103	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	866	<40
		159	54	<40	417	88	<40	<40	<40	59	76	44	<40	43	<100	2712	<40
		160	<40	<40	167	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	587	610	<40
Env Mix E2p SApNP	Addavax	137	<40	<40	157	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	1061	<40
		138	<40	44	108	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	3029	<40
		139	<40	58	386	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	7500	<40
		140	<40	<40	171	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	3422	<40
		141	<40	44	202	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	247	895	<40
		142	<40	51	228	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	3779	<40
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	143	<40	51	363	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	973	2028	<40
		144	<40	<40	72	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	5417	<40
		145	<40	<40	174	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	5341	<40
		146	<40	<40	179	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	42	<40	<40	247	2477	<40
		147	<40	71	205	48	50	47	<40	<40	42	<40	<40	<40	958	6167	<40
		148	<40	80	172	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	43	<100	2790	<40
Env Mix I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	149	<40	<40	257	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	334	1396	<40
		150	<40	59	406	45	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	271	5805	<40
		151	<40	53	259	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	1170	7193	<40
		152	<40	<40	178	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	128	5597	<40
		153	<40	81	883	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	52	<40	<40	<100	7687	<40
		154	<40	61	225	<40	<40	42	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	3045	<40

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Rabbit ID	ID$_{30}$ titers for each virus (clade)														
			TRO11 (B)	25710 (C)	398F1 (A)	CNE8 (AE)	X2278 (B)	BJOX-2000 (BC)	X1632 (G)	CE1176 (C)	246F3 (AC)	CH119 (BC)	CE0217 (C)	CNE55 (AE)	BG505.T332N (A)	SF162 (B)	MLV (control)
BG505 UFO trimer	Addavax	119	62	90	309	59	49	45	<40	53	68	58	<40	<40	120	4558	<40
		120	<40	58	199	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	2614	<40
		121	<40	54	233	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	446	2778	<40
		122	45	66	351	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	889	2188	<40
		123	282	198	694	128	52	63	<40	61	126	103	<40	99	351	1571	<40
		124	<40	43	326	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	1190	4701	<40
BG505 FR SApNP	Addavax	125	<40	94	758	59	<40	43	<40	52	43	<40	<40	<40	<100	8670	<40
		126	<40	77	250	43	<40	<40	<40	41	42	<40	<40	<40	1605	3579	<40
		127	<40	82	426	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	1401	13687	<40
		128	<40	96	565	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	186	10286	<40
		129	52	107	575	93	59	98	<40	52	59	42	<40	<40	<100	6385	<40
		130	<40	79	513	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	1774	5955	<40
Env Mix FR SApNP	Addavax	131	<40	136	1093	72	<40	73	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	3596	<40
		132	<40	82	450	47	<40	54	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	105	3580	<40
		133	88	278	680	119	67	137	57	116	100	80	56	100	<100	2971	<40
		134	<40	55	249	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	351	9968	<40
		135	<40	69	296	<40	<40	51	<40	57	57	<40	<40	<40	<100	8622	<40
		136	<40	50	418	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	11188	<40
BG505 E2p SApNP	Addavax	155	41	73	171	62	<40	66	<40	43	55	59	<40	<40	1313	3323	<40
		156	<40	40	175	<40	<40	45	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	154	4276	<40
		157	<40	105	434	78	<40	88	<40	<40	<40	52	<40	<40	107	6360	<40
		158	<40	70	336	49	<40	53	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	149	2020	<40
		159	172	86	1808	271	<40	83	<40	167	262	97	47	99	198	6328	<40
		160	<40	<40	827	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	94	<40	<40	<40	1369	1422	<40
Env Mix E2p SApNP	Addavax	137	<40	77	783	<40	<40	51	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	2475	<40
		138	<40	121	592	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	7067	<40
		139	51	161	1509	51	65	<40	40	<40	<40	41	<40	<40	<100	17500	<40
		140	<40	63	457	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	144	7986	<40
		141	<40	110	508	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	576	2088	<40
		142	<40	144	587	44	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	8818	<40
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	143	<40	192	1717	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	2269	4732	<40
		144	<40	<40	197	<40	<40	44	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	12639	<40
		145	<40	94	647	<40	<40	54	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<100	12463	<40
		146	<40	95	507	<40	<40	47	<40	<40	45	106	<40	<40	576	5780	<40
		147	65	202	660	112	130	111	40	80	105	53	51	80	2235	14390	<40
		148	61	275	521	79	57	<40	<40	82	80	62	<40	156	108	6510	<40
Env Mix I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	149	<40	80	1114	69	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	<40	780	3257	<40
		150	53	154	1575	116	48	51	44	44	75	81	<40	54	631	13545	<40
		151	<40	139	1675	84	<40	<40	42	<40	58	<40	<40	<40	2731	16783	<40
		152	<40	68	747	78	<40	<40	<40	<40	41	<40	<40	<40	298	13060	<40
		153	<40	288	7874	45	<40	<40	<40	52	<40	417	<40	<40	<100	17936	<40
		154	51	158	981	69	52	113	<40	50	50	74	<40	<40	145	7105	<40

fig. S5. Neutralization data from the evaluation of Env immunogens with wildtype glycans. (**A**) Mouse IgG neutralization from ten groups of mice (8 per group) that were immunized with BG505 UFO trimer-presenting E2p and I3-01v9 SApNPs. In the first study, five groups of mice were immunized with BG505 UFO trimer-presenting E2p SApNP, each group with a different adjuvant condition: no adjuvant, AddaVax (AV), Aluminum phosphate (AP), Aluminum hydroxide or AVx2/APx2. In a second study, five groups were immunized with BG505 UFO trimer-presenting I3-01v9 SApNP, with the same five adjuvant conditions. Data are shown for neutralization of tier 2 clade A BG505.T332N, tier 1 clade B SF162, and MLV pseudoviruses (MLV-pps) by purified mouse IgG from the last time point, week 11. IC_{50} titers, and neutralization curves are shown. (**B**) Positive samples (>30% autologous neutralization) from (A) were tested against the BG505.T332N variant with the C3/V4 knockout mutation (I396R) and against (**C**) a 12-virus global panel of HIV-1 strains. For (A-C) an IgG concentration of 300 µg/ml was used as the starting point and subjected to a 3-times dilution series in the TZM-bl neutralization assay. Samples were tested in duplicate in the TZM-bl assay, except in the MLV, I396R mutant and the 12-virus global panel assays, where samples were tested in singlet due to a low quantity of remaining IgG. IgG samples no longer available at the time of an assay are marked '-' in the IC_{50}/IC_{30} titer tables. (**D**)-(**G**) Rabbit plasma neutralization from seven groups of rabbits that were immunized with BG505 or mixed Env vaccines. All antigens were mixed with AV except for I3-01v9 SApNPs, which were formulated with AP. BG505 UFO trimer and its three SApNPs (FR, E2p, and I3-01v9) were tested in groups 1, 2, 4, and 6, respectively, with a mixed Env group added for each SApNP platform and tested in groups 3, 5, and 7. The mixed Env vaccine is a cocktail containing equal amounts of SApNPs that present clade A BG505 UFO, clade B H078.14 UFO-BG, and clade C CH505 UFO-BG trimers. Data are shown for (**D**) Neutralization of tier 2 clade A BG505.T332N by rabbit plasma from all groups at every time point between week 0 (w0) and week 28 (w28). The heat-inactivated rabbit plasma was diluted 100 times as the starting point and subjected to a 3-times dilution series in the TZM-bl assay. Samples were tested in duplicate against all viruses. ID_{50} and ID_{30} titers and neutralization curves are graphed for each rabbit at each time point. (**E**) As (D), except neutralization is against tier 1 Clade B SF162. (**F**) As (D) and (E), except neutralization is against MLV-pps as a negative control, and only for key weeks 0, 2, 10 and 26. (**G**) ID_{50} and ID_{30} titers obtained from a large-scale TZM-bl neutralization assay against a 12-virus global panel with rabbit plasma diluted 40 times as the starting point for all 12 isolates. Of note, BG505.T332N, SF162, and MLV data from (D)-(F) were included in this table to facilitate comparison with the 12-virus panel.

A

B   Week 11 mouse IgG neutralization against HIV-1 BG505.T332N. Immunization with glycan trimmed BG505 UFO trimers.

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Glycan trimming regimen	IC$_{50}$ titers (µg/ml)								
			M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
BG505 UFO trimer	AddaVax	Regimen 1	>300	>300	68	20	>300	35	>300	22	
		Regimen 2	1	254	>300	>300	17	>300	93	3	
	Aluminum phosphate	Regimen 1	17	155	No IgG	44	2	8	158	>300	★
		Regimen 2	118	13	5	48	10	>300	>300	66	★

No IgG: indicates no IgG available to test   ★ indicates samples from this group further tested against other HIV-1 viruses & MLV

Week 11 mouse IgG neutralization against HIV SF162

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Glycan trimming regimen	IC$_{50}$ titers (µg/ml)							
			M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8
BG505 UFO trimer	Aluminum phosphate	Regimen 1	53	15	No IgG	>300	19	6	5	1
		Regimen 2	11	34	62	7	15	11	14	1

No IgG: indicates no IgG available to test

Week 11 mouse IgG neutralization against MLV (control)

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Glycan trimming regimen	IC$_{50}$ titers (µg/ml)							
			M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8
BG505 UFO trimer	AddaVax	Regimen 1	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300
		Regimen 2	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300
	Aluminum phosphate	Regimen 1	>300	>300	No IgG	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300
		Regimen 2	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300

No IgG: indicates no IgG available to test

C   **Week 11 mouse IgG neutralization against HIV-1 BG505.T332N. Immunization with glycan trimmed BG505 E2p SApNPs, with repeats.**

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Glycan trimming regimen	Repeat	IC$_{50}$ titers (µg/ml)								
				M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
BG505 E2p SApNP	AddaVax	Regimen 1	1st	>300	>300	>300	>300	46	>300	>300	>300	★
		Regimen 2	1st	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	70	★
	Aluminum phosphate	Regimen 1	1st	293	76	75	108	17	>300	16	>300	★
		Regimen 2	1st	28	194	11	>300	>300	27	>300	32	
			2nd	45	65	71	22	20	264	>300	220	
			3rd	>300	23	4	199	>300	42	8	>300	★

★ indicates samples from this group further tested against other HIV-1 viruses & MLV

Week 11 mouse IgG neutralization against HIV-1 SF162. Immunization with glycan trimmed BG505 E2p SApNPs.

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Glycan trimming regimen	IC$_{50}$ titers (µg/ml)							
			M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8
BG505 E2p SApNP	AddaVax	Regimen 1	5	3	6	6	22	35	121	3
		Regimen 2	37	9	65	13	46	3	6	3
	Aluminum phosphate	Regimen 1	7	25	14	12	6	24	39	12
		Regimen 2	8	1	4	29	6	8	18	3

Week 11 mouse IgG neutralization against MLV (control). Immunization with glycan trimmed BG505 E2p SApNPs.

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Glycan trimming regimen	IC$_{50}$ titers (µg/ml)							
			M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8
BG505 E2p SApNP	AddaVax	Regimen 1	>300	-	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300
		Regimen 2	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300
	Aluminum phosphate	Regimen 1	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300
		Regimen 2	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300

D Week 11 mouse IgG neutralization against HIV-1 BG505.T332N. Immunization with glycan trimmed BG505 I3-01v9 SApNPs, with repeats.

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Glycan trimming regimen	Repeat	IC$_{50}$ titers (µg/ml)								
				M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	Regimen 1	1st	86	>300	275	>300	>300	No IgG	No IgG	48	★
			2nd	>300	>300	>300	>300	23	>300	>300	212	
			3rd	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	26	>300	203	
		Regimen 2	1st	>300	17	85	37	39	>300	>300	>300	★
			2nd	59	>300	>300	>300	113	148	41	>300	
			3rd	109	>300	>300	>300	40	9	>300	>300	
			4th	>300	57	290	>300	16	>300	>300	14	

No IgG: indicates no IgG available to test   ★ indicates samples from this group further tested against other HIV-1 viruses & MLV

Week 11 mouse IgG neutralization against HIV-1 SF162. Immunization with glycan trimmed BG505 I3-01v9 SApNPs.

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Glycan trimming regimen	IC$_{50}$ titers (µg/ml)							
			M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	Regimen 1	11	15	5	125	7	No IgG	No IgG	8
		Regimen 2	2	16	3	12	8	12	11	11

No IgG: indicates no IgG available to test

Week 11 mouse IgG neutralization against MLV (control). Immunization with glycan trimmed BG505 I3-01v9 SApNPs.

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Glycan trimming regimen	IC$_{50}$ titers (µg/ml)							
			M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	Regimen 1	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	No IgG	No IgG	>300
		Regimen 2	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300

No IgG: indicates no IgG available to test

E Week 11 mouse IgG neutralization IC$_{50}$ titers against HIV-1 BG505.T332N and BG505.T332N.I396R mutant

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Glycan trimming regimen	Animal ID	IC$_{50}$ titers (µg/ml) BG505. T332N	IC$_{50}$ titers (µg/ml) BG505. T332N. I396R
BG505 UFO trimer	Aluminum phosphate	Regimen 1	D-S24 G3-M1	17	>300
			D-S24 G3-M2	155	>300
			D-S24 G3-M4	44	172
			D-S24 G3-M5	2	>300
			D-S24 G3-M6	8	>300
			D-S24 G3-M7	158	>300
			D-S24 G3-M8	>300	>300
		Regimen 2	D-S24 G4-M1	118	>300
			D-S24 G4-M2	13	>300
			D-S24 G4-M3	5	>300
			D-S24 G4-M4	48	>300
			D-S24 G4-M5	10	>300
			D-S24 G4-M6	>300	>300
			D-S24 G4-M7	>300	>300
			D-S24 G4-M8	66	>300
BG505 E2p SApNP	AddaVax	Regimen 1	D-S21 G1-M2	>300	31
			D-S21 G1-M3	>300	>300
			D-S21 G1-M5	46	>300
		Regimen 2	D-S21 G2-M4	>300	>300
			D-S21 G2-M8	70	11

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Glycan trimming regimen	Animal ID	IC$_{50}$ titers (µg/ml) BG505. T332N	IC$_{50}$ titers (µg/ml) BG505. T332N. I396R
BG505 E2p SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	Regimen 1	D-S25 G1-M1	293	>300
			D-S25 G1-M2	76	87
			D-S25 G1-M3	75	22
			D-S25 G1-M4	108	89
			D-S25 G1-M5	17	46
			D-S25 G1-M6	>300	>300
			D-S25 G1-M7	16	>300
		Regimen 2	D-S25 G2-M2	23	31
			D-S25 G2-M3	4	202
			D-S25 G2-M4	199	180
			D-S25 G2-M6	42	27
			D-S25 G2-M7	8	>300
			D-S25 G2-M8	>300	>300
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	Regimen 1	D-S21 G3-M1	86	154
			D-S21 G3-M3	275	>300
			D-S21 G3-M8	48	>300
		Regimen 2	D-S21 G4-M2	17	6
			D-S21 G4-M3	85	23
			D-S21 G4-M4	37	17
			D-S21 G4-M5	39	277

Week 11 mouse IgG neutralization against HIV-1 BG505.T332N and BG505.T332N.I396R mutant

F Week 11 mouse IgG neutralization IC$_{50}$ and IC$_{30}$ titers against HIV-1 12 virus global panel, BG505.T332N, SF162 & MLV (control)

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Glycan trimming regimen	Animal ID	IC$_{50}$ titers (µg/ml) for each virus (clade)														
				TRO11 (B)	25710 (C)	398F1 (A)	CNE8 (AE)	X2278 (B)	BJOX-2000 (BC)	X1632 (G)	CE1176 (C)	246F3 (AC)	CH119 (BC)	CE0217 (C)	CNE55 (AE)	BG505.T332N (A)	SF162 (B)	MLV (control)
BG505 E2p SApNP	AddaVax	Regimen 1	D-S21 G1-M2	-	>300	-	>300	-	>300	-	-	>300	>300	-	-	>300	3	-
			D-S21 G1-M3	>300	>300	275	151	263	>300	>300	217	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	6	-
			D-S21 G1-M5	>300	300	225	195	-	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	-	46	22	>300
		Regimen 2	D-S21 G2-M4	>300	-	>300	-	>300	-	>300	>300	-	-	>300	>300	>300	13	>300
			D-S21 G2-M8	>300	>300	>300	>300	-	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	-	70	3	>300
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	Regimen 1	D-S21 G3-M1	>300	>300	298	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	86	11	>300
			D-S21 G3-M3	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	275	5	>300
			D-S21 G3-M8	>300	>300	>300	224	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	48	8	>300
		Regimen 2	D-S21 G4-M2	>300	>300	291	236	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	17	16	>300
			D-S21 G4-M3	>300	>300	236	236	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	85	3	>300
			D-S21 G4-M4	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	-	37	12	>300
			D-S21 G4-M5	>300	267	284	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	39	8	>300

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Glycan trimming regimen	Animal ID	IC$_{30}$ titers (µg/ml) for each virus (clade)														
				TRO11 (B)	25710 (C)	398F1 (A)	CNE8 (AE)	X2278 (B)	BJOX-2000 (BC)	X1632 (G)	CE1176 (C)	246F3 (AC)	CH119 (BC)	CE0217 (C)	CNE55 (AE)	BG505.T332N (A)	SF162 (B)	MLV (control)
BG505 E2p SApNP	AddaVax	Regimen 1	D-S21 G1-M2	-	>300	-	138	-	240	-	-	>300	>300	-	-	143	1	-
			D-S21 G1-M3	225	149	118	65	113	>300	281	93	206	275	>300	>300	249	2	-
			D-S21 G1-M5	>300	129	97	84	-	166	208	168	277	277	>300	-	20	9	>300
		Regimen 2	D-S21 G2-M4	>300	-	173	-	>300	-	>300	>300	-	-	>300	>300	>300	5	>300
			D-S21 G2-M8	>300	>300	209	182	-	>300	225	>300	>300	>300	>300	-	30	1	>300
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	Regimen 1	D-S21 G3-M1	>300	192	128	>300	162	>300	>300	144	268	>300	>300	>300	37	5	>300
			D-S21 G3-M3	>300	153	190	129	>300	>300	204	178	256	>300	>300	>300	118	2	>300
			D-S21 G3-M8	266	137	160	96	286	>300	253	187	254	>300	>300	>300	21	3	>300
		Regimen 2	D-S21 G4-M2	292	176	125	>300	274	>300	>300	208	>300	>300	>300	>300	7	7	>300
			D-S21 G4-M3	256	130	101	101	284	175	145	164	188	208	>300	>300	37	1	>300
			D-S21 G4-M4	>300	143	151	153	>300	213	>300	215	281	>300	>300	-	16	5	>300
			D-S21 G4-M5	>300	267	284	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	39	4	>300

Week 11 mouse IgG neutralization against HIV-1 12 virus global panel

Glycan trimming regimen
Regimen 1   Regimen 2

G **Week 0 rabbit IgG neutralization against HIV-1 BG505.T332N**

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Glycan trimming regimen	IC50 titers (µg/ml)					
			R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6
BG505 E2p SApNP	AddaVax	Regimen 1	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300
		Regimen 2	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	Regimen 1	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300
		Regimen 2	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300

Week 0 rabbit IgG neutralization against HIV-1 SF162

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Glycan trimming regimen	IC50 titers (µg/ml)					
			R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6
BG505 E2p SApNP	AddaVax	Regimen 1	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300
		Regimen 2	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	Regimen 1	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300
		Regimen 2	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300

Week 0 rabbit IgG neutralization against MLV (control)

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Glycan trimming regimen	IC50 titers (µg/ml)					
			R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6
BG505 E2p SApNP	AddaVax	Regimen 1	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300
		Regimen 2	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	Regimen 1	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300
		Regimen 2	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300

H **Week 11 rabbit IgG neutralization against HIV-1 BG505.T332N**

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Glycan trimming regimen	IC$_{50}$ titers (µg/ml)					
			R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6
BG505 E2p SApNP	AddaVax	Regimen 1	>300	39	>300	>300	>300	272
		Regimen 2	233	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	Regimen 1	>300	36	193	79	>300	>300
		Regimen 2	>300	93	>300	44	167	23

Week 11 rabbit IgG neutralization against HIV-1 SF162

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Glycan trimming regimen	IC$_{50}$ titers (µg/ml)					
			R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6
BG505 E2p SApNP	AddaVax	Regimen 1	10	18	11	22	48	4
		Regimen 2	18	5	3	15	8	26
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	Regimen 1	3	4	4	22	41	9
		Regimen 2	2	6	6	4	2	11

Week 11 rabbit IgG neutralization against MLV (control)

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Glycan trimming regimen	IC$_{50}$ titers (µg/ml)					
			R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6
BG505 E2p SApNP	AddaVax	Regimen 1	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300
		Regimen 2	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	Regimen 1	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300
		Regimen 2	>300	>300	>300	>300	291	>300

Week 11 rabbit IgG neutralization IC$_{50}$ titers against BG505.T332N and glycan hole mutant viruses

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Glycan trimming regimen	Animal ID	IC$_{50}$ values (µg/ml)				
				BG505. T332N	BG505. T332N. Q130N	BG505. T332N. S241N	BG505. T332N. P291T	BG505. T332N. T465N
BG505 E2p SApNP	AddaVax	Regimen 1	G1-2	39	31	15	29	>300
			G1-6	272	>300	>300	>300	231
		Regimen 2	G2-1	233	174	85	138	>300
			G2-3	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	Regimen 1	G3-2	36	26	17	20	>300
			G3-3	193	227	>300	>300	186
			G3-4	79	60	31	52	>300
		Regimen 2	G4-2	93	73	25	59	169
			G4-3	>300	>300	74	214	211
			G4-4	44	29	12	33	>300
			G4-5	167	112	119	157	>300
			G4-6	23	14	8	12	18

Week 11 rabbit IgG neutralization against BG505.T332N and glycan hole mutant viruses

J   Week 11 rabbit IgG neutralization IC$_{50}$ and IC$_{30}$ titers against HIV-1 12 virus panel, BG505.T332N, SF162 & MLV pSG3

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Glycan trimming regimen	Animal ID	IC$_{50}$ titers (µg/ml) for each virus (clade)														
				TRO11 (B)	25710 (C)	398F1 (A)	CNE8 (AE)	X2278 (B)	BJOX-2000 (BC)	X1632 (G)	CE1176 (C)	246F3 (AC)	CH119 (BC)	CE0217 (C)	CNE55 (AE)	BG505.T332N (A)	SF162 (B)	MLV (control)
BG505 E2p SApNP	AddaVax	Regimen 1	G1-2	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	39	18	>300
			G1-6	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	272	4	>300
		Regimen 2	G2-1	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	233	18	>300
			G2-3	>300	279	>300	240	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	3	>300
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	Regimen 1	G3-2	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	36	4	>300
			G3-3	>300	>300	>300	277	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	193	4	>300
			G3-4	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	79	22	>300
		Regimen 2	G4-2	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	93	6	>300
			G4-3	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	6	>300
			G4-4	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	44	4	>300
			G4-5	>300	201	198	134	>300	156	210	177	239	218	>300	>300	167	2	291
			G4-6	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	23	11	>300

Vaccine	Adjuvant	Glycan trimming regimen	Animal ID	IC$_{30}$ titers (µg/ml) for each virus (clade)														
				TRO11 (B)	25710 (C)	398F1 (A)	CNE8 (AE)	X2278 (B)	BJOX-2000 (BC)	X1632 (G)	CE1176 (C)	246F3 (AC)	CH119 (BC)	CE0217 (C)	CNE55 (AE)	BG505.T332N (A)	SF162 (B)	MLV (control)
BG505 E2p SApNP	AddaVax	Regimen 1	G1-2	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	17	8	>300
			G1-6	>300	272	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	116	2	>300
		Regimen 2	G2-1	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	100	8	>300
			G2-3	>300	120	>300	103	>300	260	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	243	1	>300
BG505 I3-01v9 SApNP	Aluminum phosphate	Regimen 1	G3-2	>300	263	>300	251	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	16	2	>300
			G3-3	>300	132	253	119	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	83	2	>300
			G3-4	>300	183	233	196	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	34	9	>300
		Regimen 2	G4-2	>300	220	>300	203	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	40	3	>300
			G4-3	>300	162	195	166	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	262	3	>300
			G4-4	>300	166	144	134	>300	257	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	19	2	>300
			G4-5	148	86	85	58	192	67	90	76	103	94	158	182	71	1	125
			G4-6	>300	160	198	174	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	>300	10	5	>300

Week 11 rabbit IgG neutralization against HIV-1 12 virus panel, BG505.T332N, SF162 & MLV pSG3

fig. S6. Neutralization data from the evaluation of Env immunogens with trimmed glycans. (**A**) Negative stain EM analysis to assess the structural integrity of SApNPs produced from 8 and 5 CHO-K1 cell clones that stably express E2p and I3-01v9 SApNPs, respectively. (**B**)-(**F**) Neutralization of purified IgG at week 11 from the mouse study. Groups of eight mice were immunized with BG505 Env immunogens mixed with AddaVax or aluminum phosphate adjuvants at weeks 0, 3, 6 and 9. Two glycan trimming regimens were tested: regimen 1 administers four doses of glycan-trimmed immunogens, whereas regimen 2 administers two doses of glycan-trimmed immunogens as prime and two doses of wildtype immunogens as boost. Immunization was repeated for some formulation/regimen groups to confirm the findings and are labeled in the summary. (**B**)-(**D**) Neutralization of week 11 IgG from mice immunized with (**B**) the BG505 UFO trimer and (**C**) UFO trimer-presenting SApNPs E2p and (**D**) I3-01v9 against autologous tier 2 clade A BG505.T332N, tier 1 clade B SF162, and MLV as a negative control. No IgG was available for one mouse in the UFO trimer/AP regimen 1 group and for two mice in the I3-01v9/AP regimen 1 (1st repeat) group, as the mice died during the immunization study. Of note, IgG samples from the two groups that tested trimer/AP and four groups that tested E2p/AV and I3-01v9/AP in regimens 1 and 2 were selected for further analyses in (**E**) or (**E-F**) respectively, which are shown below. (**E**) Neutralization of week 11 IgG from select mice (more than 30% autologous neutralization) in the abovementioned six mouse groups against a BG505.T332N variant with the C3/V4 knockout mutation (I396R). IC_{50} titers and neutralization curves are shown, with BG505.T332N data from (B-D) included for comparison. (**F**) Neutralization of week 11 IgG from the four abovementioned SApNP groups against a 12-virus global panel. IC_{50} and IC_{30} titers were calculated and are listed in two tables. For all the TZM-bl neutralization assays performed in (B)-(F), a starting IgG concentration of 300 µg/ml and a 3-times dilution series were used. Each IgG sample was run in duplicate in (B)-(D) except for some mice in the MLV assays and all mice in the 12-virus assays in (F). Of note, mice for which IgG samples were no longer available at the time of the MLV or 12-virus assays are marked '-' in the IC_{50}/IC_{30} titer tables. (**G**)-(**J**) Neutralization of purified IgG from the rabbit study. Four groups of rabbits (6 per group) were immunized to test the E2p/AV and I3-01v9/AP formulations for glycan trimming regimens 1 and 2, using a similar protocol to the mouse study. (**G**) Neutralization of week 0 rabbit IgG against BG505.T332N, SF162, and MLV. (**H**) Neutralization of week 11 rabbit IgG against BG505.T332N, SF162, and MLV. It should be noted that R5 IgG from the I3-01v9/AP regimen 2 group showed MLV neutralization and might contain non-specific antibodies. (**I**) Neutralization of select week 11 rabbit IgG (more than 30% autologous neutralization) against four BG505.T332N glycan hole mutant viruses. (**J**) Neutralization of select week 11 rabbit IgG (more than 30% autologous neutralization) against a 12-virus global panel. IC_{50} and IC_{30} titers were calculated and are listed in two tables with neutralization curves shown for each IgG sample against all 12 viruses. For all the TZM-bl neutralization assays performed in (G)-(J), a starting IgG concentration of 300 µg/ml and a 3-times dilution series were used. Each IgG sample was run in duplicate in (G-I) but in singlet in (J) due to the limited sample availability.

A Naïve mouse

VRC01 bNAbs   PGT124 bNAbs   PGDM1400 bNAbs

B

VRC01 bNAbs   PGT124 bNAbs   PGDM1400 bNAbs   Negative control

C Single-dose - 30 minutes

BG505 UFO spike   E2p SApNP   I3-01v9 SApNP   GT I3-01v9 SApNP   CD169/CD21   Env (anti-Env VRC01)

D Single-dose - 2 hours

BG505 UFO spike   E2p SApNP   I3-01v9 SApNP   GT I3-01v9 SApNP   CD169/CD21   Env (anti-Env VRC01)

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E Single-dose - 12 hours

BG505 UFO spike | E2p SApNP | I3-01v9 SApNP | GT I3-01v9 SApNP | CD169/CD21 | Env (anti-Env VRC01)

F Single-dose - 1 week

BG505 UFO spike | E2p SApNP | I3-01v9 SApNP | GT I3-01v9 SApNP | CD169/CD21 | Env (anti-Env VRC01)

G Single-dose - 2 weeks

BG505 UFO spike | E2p SApNP | I3-01v9 SApNP | GT I3-01v9 SApNP | CD169/CD21 | Env (anti-Env VRC01)

H Single-dose - 5 weeks

BG505 UFO spike | E2p SApNP | I3-01v9 SApNP | GT I3-01v9 SApNP | CD169/CD21 | Env (anti-Env VRC01)

I Single-dose - 8 weeks

BG505 UFO spike | E2p SApNP | I3-01v9 SApNP | GT I3-01v9 SApNP | CD169/CD21 | Env (anti-Env VRC01)

fig. S7. Immunohistological images of BG505 UFO trimer and SApNPs in lymph nodes. Immunostaining images of lymph node tissues from (**A**) naïve and (**B**) BG505 UFO-presenting SApNP injected mice stained with three anti-trimer antibody VRC01, PGT124 and PGDM1400. HIV-1 vaccine constructs of BG505 UFO trimer and BG505 UFO trimer-presenting E2p, I3-01v9, and GT I3-01v9 SApNPs interaction with FDC networks in lymph node follicles (**C**) 30 minutes, (**D**) 2 hours, (**E**) 12 hours, (**F**) 1 week, (**G**) 2 weeks, (**H**) 5 weeks, and (**I**) 8 weeks after a single-dose injection (10 µg per injection, totaling 40 µg per mouse). Immunofluorescent images are pseudo color coded (CD21+, green; CD169+, red; anti-Env VRC01, White), with a complete lymph node and an enlarged image of a follicle.

A E2p SApNPs (yellow arrow) and AddaVax (green arrow)
   are aligned on FDC dendrites after 2 hours of injection

B E2p SApNPs (yellow arrow) and AddaVax (green arrow)
   are aligned on FDC dendrites after 12 hours of injection

C   E2p SApNPs (yellow arrow) are aligned on FDC dendrites
or taken up by B cells after 48 hours of injection

D   I3-01v9 SApNPs (yellow arrow) are aligned
on FDC dendrites after 2 hours of injection

E   I3-01v9 SApNPs (yellow arrow) are aligned
    on FDC dendrites after 12 hours of injection

F   I3-01v9 SApNPs (yellow arrow) are aligned
    on FDC dendrites after 48 hours of injection

G GT I3-01v9 SApNPs (yellow arrow) are aligned
on FDC dendrites after 2 hours of injection

H GT I3-01v9 SApNPs (yellow arrow) are aligned
on FDC dendrites after 12 hours of injection

I   GT I3-01v9 SApNPs (yellow arrow) are aligned
on FDC dendrites after 48 hours of injection

J   E2p SApNPs (yellow arrow) alone are aligned
on FDC dendrites after 12 hours of injection

K I3-01v9 SApNPs alone (yellow arrow) are aligned
   on FDC dendrites after 12 hours of injection

L AddaVax (green arrow) alone are aligned
   on FDC dendrites after 12 hours of injection

M   FDC dendrites in Lymph nodes from naïve mouse

N   E2p SApNPs (yellow arrow) and AddaVax (green arrow) are on the surface or
    inside the endolysosomes of phagocytic cells after 2 hours of injection

O   I3-01v9 SApNPs (yellow arrow) are associated
    with phagocytic cells after 2 hours of injection

P   I3-01v9 SApNPs (yellow arrow) are associated
    with phagocytic cells after 12 hours of injection

Q I3-01v9 SApNPs (yellow arrow) are associated
   with phagocytic cells after 48 hours of injection

R GT I3-01v9 SApNPs (yellow arrow) are associated
   with phagocytic cells after 2 hours of injection

S   GT I3-01v9 SApNPs (yellow arrow) and aluminum phosphate (green arrow)
    are associated with phagocytic cells after 12 hours of injection

T   GT I3-01v9 SApNPs (yellow arrow) are associated
    with phagocytic cells after 48 hours of injection

U   Aluminum phosphate (green arrow) alone tends to aggregate
    and are observed inside the phagocytic cells, or in the ECM

V   Phagocytic cells in Lymph nodes from naïve mouse

fig. S6. TEM images of HIV-1 trimer/trimer-presenting SApNP interaction with FDCs and phagocytic cells in a lymph node. BG505 UFO trimer-presenting E2p SApNPs formulated with AddaVax adjuvant are aligned on FDC dendrites (**A**) 2 hours, (**B**) 12 hours, and (**C**) 48 hours after a single-dose injection (50 µg). Adjuvanted BG505 UFO trimer-presenting (**D-F**) I3-01v9 and (**G-I**) GT I3-01v9 SApNPs are aligned on FDC dendrites 2, 12, and 48 hours after a single-dose injection (50 µg), whereas aluminum phosphate adjuvants were not associated with SApNPs on FDC dendrites. (**J**) BG505 UFO trimer-presenting E2p, (**K**) I3-01v9 SApNPs, or (**L**) AddaVax adjuvant alone can be presented on FDC dendrites 12 hours after injection. SApNPs are pointed by yellow arrows and adjuvants are pointed by green arrows. (**M**) FDC dendrites in Lymph nodes from naïve mouse. (**N**) BG505 UFO trimer-presenting E2p SApNPs formulated with AddaVax adjuvant are aligned on the surface or inside the endolysosomes of medullary sinus macrophages 2 hours after injection. Adjuvanted BG505 UFO trimer-presenting (**O-Q**) I3-01v9 and (**R-T**) GT I3-01v9 SApNPs are on macrophage surface or internalized by macrophages 2, 12, and 48 hours after injection. (**U**) Aluminum phosphate adjuvants are inside the phagocytic cells, or in the ECM. (**V**) Phagocytic cells in Lymph nodes from naïve mouse.

A

Single-dose - 2 w

BG505
UFO
trimer

E2p
SApNP

I3-01v9
SApNP

GT
I3-01v9
SApNP

B

Single-dose - 5 w

BG505
UFO
trimer

E2p
SApNP

I3-01v9
SApNP

GT
I3-01v9
SApNP

C

Single-dose - 8 w

BG505
UFO
trimer

E2p
SApNP

I3-01v9
SApNP

GT
I3-01v9
SApNP

D

Prime-boost - 3 w + 2 w

E **Prime-boost - 3 w + 5 w**

fig. S9. Immunohistological analysis of BG505 UFO and SApNP vaccine-induced GCs. Immunohistological images of GCs at (**A**) week 2, (**B**) week 5, and (**C**) week 8 after a single-dose injection of BG505 UFO trimer and BG505 UFO trimer-presenting E2p, I3-01v9, and GT I3-01v9 SApNP vaccines (10 μg per injection, totaling 40 μg per mouse), with a scale bar of 500 μm for each image. Images of GCs at (**D**) week 2 and (**E**) week 5 after prime-boost injections.

A

B **2 weeks after single-dose**

C **2 weeks after prime&boost**

fig. S10. Flow cytometry analysis of BG505 UFO trimer and SApNP vaccine-induced GCs. (**A**) Gating strategy for analyzing GCs using flow cytometry. Flow plots of GC reactions (GC B cells and T follicular helper cells) at week 2 after (**B**) a single-dose (**C**) prime-boost injections of BG505 UFO trimer and BG505 UFO trimer-presenting E2p, I3-01v9, and GT I3-01v9 SApNP vaccines (10 µg per injection, totaling 40 µg per mouse).