Rational design of next-generation filovirus vaccines with glycoprotein stabilization, nanoparticle display, and glycan modification

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ABSTRACT (200 WORD LIMIT)

Filoviruses pose a significant threat to human health with frequent outbreaks and high mortality. Although two vector-based vaccines are available for Ebola virus, a broadly protective filovirus vaccine remains elusive. In this study, we evaluate a general strategy for stabilizing glycoprotein (GP) structures of Ebola, Sudan, and Bundibugyo ebolaviruses and Ravn marburgvirus. A 3.2 Å-resolution crystal structure provides atomic details for the redesigned Ebola virus GP, and cryo-electron microscopy reveals how a pan-ebolavirus neutralizing antibody targets a conserved site on the Sudan virus GP (3.13 Å-resolution), in addition to a low-resolution model of antibody-bound Ravn virus GP. A self-assembling protein nanoparticle (SApNP), I3-01v9, is redesigned at the *N*-terminus to allow the optimal surface display of filovirus GP trimers. Following detailed *in vitro* characterization, the lymph node dynamics of Sudan virus GP and GP-presenting SApNPs are investigated in a mouse model. Compared with soluble GP trimer, SApNPs show ~112 times longer retention in lymph node follicles, up-to-28 times greater presentation on follicular dendritic cell dendrites, and up-to-3 times stronger germinal center reactions. Functional antibody responses induced by filovirus GP trimers and SApNPs bearing wildtype and modified glycans are assessed in mice. Our study provides a foundation for next-generation filovirus vaccine development.

ONE-SENTENCE SUMMARY

Filovirus glycoproteins and nanoparticles were rationally designed and characterized *in vitro* and *in vivo* to aid filovirus vaccine development.

INTRODUCTION

The first case of human infection with filovirus was documented in 1967 in Marburg and Frankfurt, Germany, where laboratory workers were infected with the subsequently named Marburg virus (MARV) by nonhuman primates (NHPs) imported from Africa (*1*). The largest filovirus outbreak in history was caused by Ebola virus (EBOV), which was first identified in 1976 in Zaire in Central Africa (*2, 3*). Approximately 28,600 cases were reported during this outbreak, which resulted in 11,325 deaths between 2013 and 2016 (*4*). Both MARV and EBOV cause viral hemorrhagic fever (VHF) in humans, with a case fatality rate of up to 90% (*5, 6*). Filoviruses can be classified into five genera, including *Ebolavirus* and *Marburgvirus (7, 8)*. The *Ebolavirus* genus comprises three pathogenic species, including EBOV, Bundibugyo virus (BDBV), and Sudan virus (SUDV), and three species that are non-pathogenic or rarely infect humans. The *Marburgvirus* genus contains a single species with two members, MARV and Ravn virus (RAVV). The single-stranded, negative-sense RNA genome of filoviruses encodes the nucleoprotein, virion proteins, glycoprotein (GP), and RNA-polymerase, among others. As a class I viral fusion protein (*9-12*), functional GP is a trimer of heterodimers responsible for filovirus attachment, entry, and membrane fusion (*13*). GP is recognized by the host immune system during natural infection (*14-16*), and thus represents the main target for the development of prophylactic vaccines and antibody therapeutics (*17-20*).

Substantial progress has been made in filovirus research (*21*). First, a greater understanding of filovirus pathogenesis and its mechanism of infection has been achieved (*22-24*). Niemann-Pick C1 (NPC1) was identified as the endosomal receptor for filovirus entry, suggesting that NPC1 inhibitors may have antiviral potential (*25-27*). Second, neutralizing antibodies (NAbs) have now been established as effective therapeutics to treat filovirus infections (*28-31*). Compared with a monoclonal antibody (mAb) cocktail, ZMapp (*32*), which showed early promise (*33*), REGN-EB3

(a three-mAb cocktail (*34*)) and mAb114 (*35*) proved to be more efficacious against EBOV in a

randomized controlled trial (*36*). The 2013-2016 EBOV outbreak led to an enduring campaign for

antibody discovery against filoviruses (*37*). Panels of mAbs were isolated from human survivors

and immunized animals, revealing multiple sites of vulnerability on GP (*15, 16, 35, 38-53*). At the

peak of this effort, the Viral Hemorrhagic Fever Immunotherapeutic Consortium analyzed 171

mAbs targeting diverse GP epitopes: base, glycan cap, fusion loop, GP1/core, GP1/head, GP1/2,

heptad repeat 2 (HR2), and mucin (*54*). Third, x-ray crystallography and cryo-electron microscopy

(EM) have been used to determine high-resolution structures of filovirus GP bound to the NPC1

receptor (*27*), small-molecule ligands (*55-57*), and mAbs (*15, 38, 39, 41, 42, 46, 48-51, 58, 59*).

Notably, negative-stain EM (nsEM) offers a useful tool for validating GP structures and mapping

mAb epitopes (*16, 40, 45-47, 52-54*). These GP complex structures have provided insights into the

molecular mechanism of filovirus neutralization and facilitated the development of antibody

therapeutics and vaccines (*17, 60, 61*). Fourth, two viral vector-based EBOV vaccines have been

approved for human use thus far. ERVEBO (*62*) is a single-dose vaccine based on the recombinant

vesicular stomatitis virus (rVSV) expressing the EBOV GP, while Zabdeno/Mvabea (*63*) utilizes

a two-dose, heterologous regimen administering an Adenovirus 26 (Ad26) expressing the EBOV

GP followed by a modified Vaccina Ankara (MVA) virus expressing multiple filovirus GPs. Other

EBOV vaccines that utilize DNA (*64*) and viral vectors (*65-70*) have been tested in humans. Recent

efforts have been directed toward mRNA, protein, and nanoparticle (NP) platforms (*71-74*).

Despite this rapid advancement, critical innovations are still needed for next-generation

filovirus vaccine development (*75*). Although the correlates of protection remained unclear (*76*),

an in-depth B cell analysis revealed diverse yet convergent polyclonal NAb responses induced by

the rVSV-ZEBOV vaccine in a Phase 1 trial (*77*). A follow-up study elucidated how NAbs from

multiple subjects utilized the same germline genes to target the receptor binding site on GP (*78*).

These results highlighted the central role of GP as a vaccine antigen for eliciting protective NAbs.

For more than a decade, antibody-guided, structure-based antigen design has been the focus of

vaccine development for several important targets, such as type-1 human immunodeficiency virus

(HIV-1) (*79-82*) and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) (*83*). Rational designs have been proposed

for stabilization of the HIV-1 envelope (Env) (*84-86*) and RSV fusion (F) (*87-90*) proteins in their

prefusion state. After preclinical assessment, many of these vaccine designs have been advanced

to human trials (*91, 92*), with two products approved for RSV prevention in older adults (*93*). So

far, however, only two studies reported rational designs of stabilized filovirus GP with limited *in*

vivo data (*94, 95*). Most recently, Xu et al. proposed an immunofocusing GP design by engineering

additional *N*-linked glycans (*73*). Notably, almost all current filovirus vaccine candidates (*96*) are

based on wildtype GP with a highly variable mucin-like domain (MLD), which shields conserved

NAb epitopes and facilitates immune evasion (*97, 98*). As a vaccine antigen, the MLD-deleted GP

(GPΔmuc) should in principle be more effective in NAb elicitation than wildtype GP but has not

been evaluated in humans. In addition to the GP form, the delivery platform may be crucial for

vaccine-induced immunity. Although viral vectors appeared to be a preferable platform with the

licensure of two EBOV vaccines, mRNA vaccines may provide an alternative given their widely

acclaimed success in the COVID-19 vaccine campaign (*99, 100*). In the realm of protein vaccines,

NPs have become an increasingly recognized delivery platform due to their virus-like size, shape,

surface display, and ability to induce strong and durable NAb responses (*101-106*). Two EBOV

GP-presenting NP vaccines were recently reported (*73, 95*) but have not been evaluated in animal

challenge models. Finally, engineering the glycan component of vaccine candidates may prove to

be an important step in their development. The enzymatic trimming of *N*-glycans was previously

shown to enhance NAb responses for influenza hemagglutinin (HA) or stem, SARS-CoV-2 spike, and HIV-1 Env vaccines (*107-110*). It is unclear whether the same strategy is applicable to filovirus GP, which is also heavily glycosylated with up to 17 glycans on the surface.

In our previous study, we stabilized EBOV GP with mutations in the $HR1_C$ bend and HR2 stalk and displayed one of two lead designs, termed $GP\Delta muc-WL^2P^2$, on self-assembling protein nanoparticles (SApNPs) as EBOV vaccine candidates (*95*). Here, we first extended the $GP\Delta muc-WL^2P^2$ and WL^2P^4 construct designs from EBOV to SUDV and BDBV and determined a crystal structure for EBOV $GP\Delta muc-WL^2P^4$ at 3.2 Å-resolution. We also obtained a 3.13 Å cryo-EM model for SUDV $GP\Delta muc-WL^2P^4$ bound to CA45 Fab. The nearly identical backbones of SUDV and EBOV $GP\Delta muc-WL^2P^4$ suggest a widely applicable design to stabilize ebolavirus GPs. We then displayed EBOV, SUDV, and BDBV $GP\Delta muc-WL^2P^4$ trimers on SApNPs derived from E2p and I3-01v9, the latter of which was computationally redesigned at the *N*-terminus. A similar design strategy was applied to RAVV GP, resulting in a promising trimer construct termed $GP\Delta muc-P^2CT$. Next, we investigated the lymph node delivery and immunological responses for ebolavirus vaccines, using SUDV $GP\Delta muc-WL^2P^4$ trimer and SApNPs as examples, at the intra-organ, intercellular, and intracellular levels in mice. Compared with soluble trimers, large SApNPs showed prolonged retention and presentation on follicular dendritic cell (FDC) dendrites and more robust and durable germinal center (GC) reactions in lymph node follicles. Lastly, we immunized mice with various filovirus GP vaccines to evaluate their antibody responses. RAVV $GP\Delta muc-P^2CT$ trimer elicited detectable cross-ebolavirus NAbs, but not vice versa. Both multivalent display and glycan modification were found to impact the immunogenicity of GP-based filovirus vaccines. Notably, increasing the mannose content of the GP glycan shield exerted a positive effect on NAb responses. These findings should facilitate future filovirus vaccine development.

RESULTS

A universal design strategy for ebolavirus GP stabilization

GPs within the *Ebolavirus* genus share considerable sequence and structural similarities (*58, 111*).

These viral GPs consist of functionally conserved structural components, such as GP1, MLD,

internal fusion loop (IFL), GP2, which contains the heptad repeat 1 (HR1) and HR2 regions, and

transmembrane domain (TMD). Recently, we stabilized EBOV GPΔmuc with a T577P (P^2) or

L579P (P^4) mutation in the $HR1_C$ bend, a W615L mutation at the neck of the HR2 stalk, and an

HR2 C-terminal extension (D632 to D637) (*95*) (**Fig. 1a**). A foldon motif was appended to the

HR2 stalk C-terminus in trimer but not SApNP constructs. The modified EBOV GPΔmuc trimers

exhibited superior structural and thermal stability compared with the wildtype GP construct.

Here, we applied the same design principles to SUDV and BDBV GPs and characterized

the two constructs, GPΔmuc-WL^2P^2 and -WL^2P^4, for all three ebolaviruses (**Fig. S1a**). Following

a similar protocol (*95*), all six GPΔmuc constructs were transiently expressed in HEK293F cells

and purified using two different methods. In addition to an immobilized nickel affinity (Nickel)

chromatography column, pan-ebolavirus NAbs ADI-15878 (*112*) and CA45 (*113*) were produced

in the immunoglobulin G (IgG) form in ExpiCHO cells and used to prepare immunoaffinity

chromatography (IAC) columns. The IAC method was established in our previous study, where

the mAb100 and mAb114 (*35*) columns were used to purify EBOV GP trimers and SApNPs (*95*).

The IAC/Nickel-purified ebolavirus GP was then characterized by size-exclusion chromatography

(SEC) on a Superdex 200 column after ADI-15878 (**Fig. 1b)** and CA45 (**Fig. S1b**) purification.

All SEC profiles showed an aggregation peak around ~8 ml and a consistent trimer peak at ~11

ml, with little hint of dimer or monomer peaks. The Nickel column generated higher aggregation

peaks for EBOV and SUDV GPs than both IAC columns (**Fig. S1b**). Between the two tested

broadly neutralizing antibodies (bNAbs), ADI-15878 appeared to be more effective at capturing

diverse ebolavirus GPs than CA45, indicated by substantially higher ultraviolet absorbance at 280

nm (UV_{280}) for the eluted protein (**Fig. 1b** and **S1b**). Our results suggest that ADI-15878 provides

a universal, tag-free IAC method for purifying ebolavirus GP. Blue native polyacrylamide gel

electrophoresis (BN-PAGE) confirmed that the SEC fractions around ~11 ml were indeed

GPΔmuc trimers, with bands on the native gel corresponding to their theoretical molecular weights

(**Fig. 1c**). Next, differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) was used to assess the thermostability of

ebolavirus GP trimers. For EBOV, while GPΔmuc-WL^2P^2 showed two denaturing states at melting

temperatures (T_m) of 60.9°C and 67.7°C, GPΔmuc-WL^2P^4 had a widened peak with a single T_m of

64.4°C (**Fig. 1d**), consistent with our previous findings (*95*). By comparison, all four SUDV and

BDBV GPΔmuc trimers generated similar DSC curves with a single denaturing state and a narrow

range of T_m values (62.9-63.6°C). Notably, among the three ebolaviruses, SUDV GPΔmuc trimers

showed the highest T_{onset} (54.8°C and 56.0°C), followed by EBOV and BDBV GPΔmuc trimers

(50.1-54.2°C). Based on the biochemical and biophysical data, GPΔmuc-WL^2P^4 was selected as a

candidate for the pan-ebolavirus GP design and subjected to further experimental validation.

A glycan shield is utilized by the HIV-1 Env spike as a major defense mechanism to evade

host NAb responses (*108*). Similarly, ebolavirus GPs have a glycan cap to shield the receptor

binding site (*95*), in addition to a heavily glycosylated MLD, which is removed in GPΔmuc. Thus,

glycans play a critical role in evading or mediating antibody interactions with the GP. To generate

site-specific glycosylation profiles, the three ebolavirus GPΔmuc-WL^2P^4 proteins were digested

with trypsin, chymotrypsin, and α-lytic protease to generate glycopeptides each containing a single

N-linked glycan site. Site-specific composition and occupancy were determined by analyzing these

glycopeptides using liquid chromatography-mass spectrometry (LC-MS), as previously described

(*108*). All glycosylation sites on the three ebolavirus GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 proteins present complex-

type glycans except for N563 and N257, where mixed forms were detected. Specifically, the N563

site contains ~30% of oligomannose-type glycans for EBOV and ~60% for both SUDV and BDBV,

whereas the N257 site has ~15% of oligomannose-type glycans for EBOV (**Fig. 1e** and **Fig. S1c**).

Due to technical limitations, accurate assessment of the glycan compositions could not be achieved

for all glycosylation sites.

Negative-stain EM (nsEM) was used to characterize structures of ebolavirus GPΔmuc-

WL^{2}P^4 trimers, either alone or in complex with bNAb ADI-15878 (**Fig. S1d**). For EBOV and

BDBV, crystal structures of wildtype GPΔmuc trimer in complex with ADI-15878 (Protein Data

Bank [PDB] IDs: 7JPH (*95*), 6EA7, and 6EA5 (*111*)) were used for fitting three-dimensional (3D)

EM reconstructions, whereas for SUDV, the GPΔmuc and ADI-15878 structures obtained from

two different complexes (PDB IDs: 3S88 (*58*) and 6DZM (*112*)) were fitted separately (**Fig. 1f**

and **Figs. S1e-g**). Overall, the low-resolution nsEM models of three ebolavirus GPΔmuc trimers

shared a three-lobed chalice shape consistent with the native-like GPΔmuc structure, albeit missing

densities associated with the HR2 stalk. The nsEM models of ADI-15878-bound GPΔmuc trimer

were highly similar among the three ebolaviruses, revealing an epitope formed across two GP

protomers overlapping the conserved regions of the IFL and HR1 in GP2 (*47, 112*).

The antigenicity of six stabilized ebolavirus GPΔmuc trimers was assessed against pan-

ebolavirus bNAbs CA45 (*46*), ADI-15878, ADI-15946 (*114*), and BDBV-289 (*51*), along with a

marburgvirus NAb, MR78 (*39*). In the enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA), the proline

mutation in HR1c (P^2 or P^4) appeared to have no influence on antibody binding (**Fig. 1g** and **Fig.**

S1h). Among the four pan-ebolavirus bNAbs, ADI-15946 and BDBV-289 showed the lowest

binding affinity for SUDV GPΔmuc trimers, 2.5 to 6-fold weaker than those for EBOV and BDBV

GPΔmuc trimers, indicated by the half maximal effective concentration (EC_{50}). The NHP-derived

bNAb, CA45, yielded 1.5- to 2.5-fold lower EC_{50} values in ELISA binding to EBOV compared

with SUDV and BDBV GPΔmuc trimers. The negative control, MR78, exhibited no detectable

binding to any of ebolavirus GPΔmuc trimers. The results from biolayer interferometry (BLI) were

largely consistent with the ELISA data (**Fig. 1h** and **Fig. S1i**). Among the six ebolavirus GPs,

CA45 bound to EBOV GPΔmuc trimers with the highest signals, whereas ADI-15946 and BDBV-

289 interacted least favorably with SUDV GPΔmuc trimers. BLI showed negligible to no binding

signals between ebolavirus GPΔmuc trimers and the marburgvirus NAb, MR78.

Structural characterization of ligand-free and antibody-bound ebolavirus GPΔmuc trimers

Previously, we determined the crystal structure of EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^2 (*95*). Here, we sought

to obtain atomic details for the more stable EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4. To this end, EBOV GPΔmuc-

WL^{2}P^4 was transiently expressed in HEK293S cells and purified by IAC (mAb100) and SEC as

previously described (*95*) (**Fig. S2a**). EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 was crystallized under a similar

condition to GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^2, resulting in similar crystal packing with a P321 space group (**Table**

S1). The final structure was determined at a resolution of 3.2 Å. Each asymmetric unit contained

one GP protomer, with the glycan cap atop the GP1 and the belt-forming IFL of the GP2 clearly

recognizable from the densities (**Fig. 2a**). Three GP1-GP2 heterodimers assembled into a chalice-

shaped trimer in the crystal lattice, with three GP2 subunits forming a base that cradles the three

outward-facing GP1 lobes (**Fig. S2b**). Four *N*-linked glycans, N228, N257, N563, and N618, were

identified in the crystal structure. The most complete carbohydrate chain was obtained for N563

(revealing electron density for Man$_4$GlcNAc$_2$), which is part of the ADI-15878 epitope in HR1a

(*111*), whereas a single *N*-acetylglucosamine (GlcNAc) was visible at the other three sites. EBOV

GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 showed a nearly identical backbone to GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^2, with a global Cα root-

mean-square deviation (RMSD) of 0.48 Å calculated for 243 matching Cα atoms and a local Cα-

RMSD of 0.68 Å for the HR1c bend after fitting the protomer structure (**Fig. 2a** and **Fig. S2c**). In

GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4, the amine group of the K95 sidechain formed hydrogen bonds with the backbone

carbonyl groups of L573 and T576 (~3.0 Å), which were absent in GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^2. These two

interprotomer hydrogen bonds stabilized the GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer from its center, resulting in

higher thermostability compared with GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^2. This was also supported by the EBOV

GPΔmuc-WL^2 structure (PDB ID: 7JPI), which contained the K95-L573 and K95-T576 hydrogen

bonds (2.7 and 2.9 Å, respectively). The structural analysis is consistent with the DSC data, where

EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 showed a single denaturing state with a T_m of 64.4°C (*95*).

Cryo-EM plays an important role in understanding how viral GPs interact with antibodies

(*115-117*). Several cryo-EM models have been reported for EBOV and BDBV GPs (*42, 51, 112*),

but only two crystal structures (*58, 118*) and no cryo-EM models are available for SUDV GP. Here,

we determined a cryo-EM structure for SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 in complex with CA45 Fab. The

SUDV GP was transiently expressed in HEK293F cells and purified using an IAC (ADI-15878)

column, prior to complexation with CA45 Fab and SEC on a Superose 6 16/600 GL column (**Fig.

S2d**). The complex fraction at ~72 ml was imaged on a Krios G4 transmission electron microscope

with the data processed in CryoSPARC (*119*) (see Methods) (**Fig. S2e**). A resolution of 3.13 Å

was obtained for the final reconstruction, in which the SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer flanked by

three CA45 Fabs could be recognized from the density map (**Fig. 2b**). The glycan cap and GP2

stalk only became partially visible when the density was relaxed beyond 4.0 Å (**Fig. S2e**). Crystal

structures of EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^2 (PDB ID: 7JPH) (*95*) and CA45 variable domains (PDB ID:

6EAY) (*113*) were used as the initial model for EM fitting, followed by manual refinement. The

final model of SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 lacking the glycan cap and GP2 stalk was superposed onto

the crystal structure of EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4, showing a Cα-RMSD of 0.66 Å for 154 matching

Cα atoms (**Fig. S2f**, left). The three HR1$_C$ bends of SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 were superposed onto

those of EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 and BDBV GPΔmuc (PDB ID: 7KFE) (*51*), with Cα-RMSDs of

0.34 and 0.53 Å for the 24 matching Cα atoms, respectively (**Fig. 2c**, right). Compared with the

crystal structure of EBOV GPΔmuc/CA45 complex (PDB ID: 6EAY) (*113*), cryo-EM revealed a

nearly identical CA45 binding mode and epitope in the SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4/CA45 complex,

with a Cα-RMSD of 0.69 Å for 147 matching Cα atoms after superposition of a single GP/CA45

component between the two complexes (**Fig. S2f**, right). Specifically, the CA45-GP2 interface

was stabilized by a backbone hydrogen bond formed between CA45 HC-Y32 and GP2-E545 (~3.3

Å) and a sidechain salt bridge between CA45 HC-D101 carboxyl and GP2-H595 imidazole groups

(~4.0 Å), as well as hydrogen bonds between the CA45 LC-Y49 sidechain and GP2-N550

backbone (~3.4 Å) and between the CA45 LC-N53 sidechain and GP2-N550 backbone (~2.6 Å)

(**Fig. 2c**). Although the interpretation of these interactions may be limited by the resolution of the

cryo-EM structure, similar interactions were identified in the previous 3.7 Å-resolution crystal

structure of EBOV GPΔmuc in complex with CA45 Fab (PDB ID: 6EAY) (**Fig. S2g**) (*113*),

including those between CA45 HC-Y32 and GP2-E545 (~3.2 Å), between CA45 HC-D101 and

GP2-H549 (~3.9 Å), and the same CA45 LC-GP2 pairs with nearly identical lengths.

Rational design and basic characterization of ebolavirus GPΔmuc-presenting nanoparticles

Previously, we redesigned the I3-01v9 SApNP to achieve optimal display of monomeric antigens

(*120*). In the resulting I3-01v9a scaffold, the *N*-termini formed a triangle of 43.9 Å (**Fig. 3a**, left).

Here, we further modified I3-01v9a to accommodate trimeric antigens with a narrow stalk, such

as filovirus GPs (see Methods). After removing the first 4 amino acids (aa) of I3-01v9a, we fused

a 9-aa helix to the truncated I3-01v9a *N*-terminal helix with a 4-aa turn. The resulting model was

computationally optimized first in structure and then in sequence to generate two new I3-01v9

scaffolds, termed I3-01v9b/c (**Fig. S3a**), in which the *N*-termini form a triangle of 12.9 Å (**Fig. 3a**,

right). The trimeric forms of I3-01v9b/c, termed I3-01v9b/c-T, were generated by interrupting the

particle-forming interface based on the structure of the aldolase (PDB ID: 1VLW) from which I3-

01 was derived. Two "scaffolded" EBOV GP constructs, termed GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-I3-01v9b/c-T,

were designed to validate whether the I3-01v9b/c *N*-termini can accommodate the GP2 stalk (**Fig.**

S3b). Both constructs were transiently expressed in HEK293S cells, purified using a mAb100

column, and analyzed by SEC (**Fig. S3c**). The trimer fractions were validated by BN-PAGE (**Fig.**

S3d) before the nsEM analysis, which yielded two-dimensional (2D) classes corresponding to

native-like GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimers anchored to I3-01v9b/c-T (**Figs. S3e** and **S3f**). The GP2 stalk,

although indiscernible in EM, was likely well-formed as the GPΔmuc trimer displayed the classic

chalice shape (**Fig. 3b** and **Fig. S3g**). Computational modeling suggested that EBOV GPΔmuc-

WL^{2}P^4-I3-01v9b would form a particle of 49.1 nm diameter measured for GP1-T269 (**Fig. 3c**).

Six SApNP constructs, with EBOV, SUDV, and BDBV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 displayed on the

E2p and I3-01v9b scaffolds (**Fig. S3h**), were transiently expressed in ExpiCHO cells and purified

by IAC using an ADI-15878 column and SEC using a Superose 6 increase 10/300 GL SEC column.

All constructs showed a peak at ~8.7 ml corresponding to assembled protein particles (**Fig. 3d**).

For EBOV and BDBV, a greater yield was noted for the GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-presenting E2p SApNPs,

but for SUDV, an opposite pattern was observed, with I3-01v9b showing a higher particle peak in

SEC. The structural integrity of SApNPs was validated by nsEM (**Fig. 3e**). Most EM micrographs

contained well-formed protein particles displaying an array of GP trimers on the outer surface. The

particle size distribution was analyzed in solution using dynamic light scattering (DLS) (**Fig. 3f**).

For EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-presenting SApNPs, E2p and I3-01v9b were sized at 55.7 and 84.0

nm, respectively (**Fig. 3f**). The unusually large I3-01v9b "particle size" from DLS might be caused

by SApNP aggregation, although this form was not frequently observed in nsEM. For SUDV and

BDBV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-presenting SApNPs, the particle size was in the range of 61.1-71.9 and

51.3-53.8 nm, respectively. The notable variation in particle size might be attributed to the intrinsic

structural flexibility of the glycan cap, which could have a significant impact on the measurement

of hydrodynamic radius in DLS. Site-specific glycosylation profiles were generated for SUDV

GPΔmuc-presenting SApNPs (**Fig. 3g** and **Fig. S3i**). An increase in oligomannose-type glycans

was observed for SApNPs compared with soluble trimers. In both SUDV GPΔmuc trimers and

their SApNPs, N563 carried predominantly oligomannose-type glycans (**Fig. 3g**).

303   The antigenicity of ebolavirus GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-presenting SApNPs was assessed against

the same antibody panel. In ELISA, SApNPs exhibited largely similar antibody-binding patterns

to soluble trimers (**Fig. 3h** and **Fig. S3j**). For example, SUDV SApNPs bound less favorably to

ADI-15946 and BDBV-289 compared with EBOV and BDBV SApNPs, with 5.0- to 16.8-fold

higher EC$_{50}$ values. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p outperformed I3-01v9b with greater affinities

for both bNAbs, with 1.4- to 1.9-fold lower EC$_{50}$ values. A similar pattern was also found in SUDV

GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-presenting SApNPs binding to CA45, with a 2.5-fold difference in EC$_{50}$ between

the two NP scaffolds. Interestingly, an opposite trend was observed for EBOV and BDBV SApNPs,

with I3-01v9b binding more tightly than E2p in most cases. BLI revealed a somewhat different

antigenic profile (**Fig. 3i** and **Fig. S3k**). Most notably, SUDV and BDBV SApNPs exhibited

greater signals in their binding to ADI-15878 and ADI-15946 than EBOV SApNPs, while SUDV

SApNPs bound most weakly to BDBV-289 among the three ebolaviruses. For each ebolavirus GP,

the binding signals against each bNAb were mostly similar between E2p and I3-01v9b, except in

the cases of SUDV SApNPs against CA45 and BDBV SApNPs against CA45 and BDBV-289,

where the difference between the two NP scaffolds was evident.

In this study, we displayed a stabilized GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer on two SApNP scaffolds,

E2p and a newly designed I3-01v9b, for three representative ebolaviruses. While SEC, nsEM, and

DLS were used to assess their purity and particle properties, which were largely comparable to our

HIV-1 Env trimer-presenting SApNPs (*108*), glycan and antigenic profiling revealed some unique

patterns associated only with SApNPs (e.g., a higher proportion of oligomannose-type glycans).

***In vitro* effect of glycan modification on ebolavirus GPΔmuc trimers and SApNPs**

Previously, we investigated the effect of glycan modification on rationally designed HIV-1 Env

trimer and SApNP vaccines (*108*). Adding kifunensine (Kif) to ExpiCHO culture media, which

induced oligomannose-type glycosylation, neither enhanced nor reduced NAb elicitation, whereas

glycan trimming by endoglycosidase H (endo H) significantly improved NAb responses, indicated

by a high vaccine responder rate (*108*). The benefit of glycan trimming has also been reported for

influenza hemagglutinin (HA) and SARS-CoV-2 spike vaccines (*107, 109*). It is thus imperative

to examine how glycan modification may affect filovirus vaccines *in vivo*. However, these glycan-

modified filovirus GP immunogens first needed to be generated and characterized *in vitro*.

Here, we adopted a similar strategy (*108*) to generate ebolavirus GPΔmuc trimers that carry

either oligomannose-only glycans or a single layer of mono-*N*-acetylglucosamine (mono-GlcNAc)

glycans. EBOV and SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 were transiently expressed in HEK293F cells in the

presence of Kif, which resulted in oligomannose-only glycans, and purified using an ADI-15878

column followed by SEC. The SEC profiles showed a trimer peak at ~10.7 ml, similar to wildtype

trimers (**Fig. 4a**). SEC-purified, Kif-treated GPΔmuc (e.g., 1 mg) was treated with endo H (termed

Kif/Endo H), which resulted in mono-GlcNAc stumps, with the enzyme removed by SEC. The

SEC profiles showed a trimer peak at ~11.1 ml and an endo H peak at ~13.9 ml (**Fig. 4a**). Sodium dodecyl sulfate (SDS)-PAGE and BN-PAGE confirmed that Kif/Endo H-treated GPΔmuc had a lower molecular weight than wildtype and Kif-treated GPΔmuc (**Fig. S4a**). DSC revealed a differential effect of glycan modification on GPΔmuc thermostability (**Fig. 4b**). The Kif-treated EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer displayed two denaturing states, with T_{m1} at 58.2ºC and T_{m2} at 64.3ºC. Endo H treatment further reduced T_{m1} and T_{m2} by 5.2ºC and 2.6ºC, respectively. In contrast, the Kif-treated SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer remained thermostable, showing the same T_m (63.6ºC) as the wildtype trimer with T_{onset} measured at 54.7ºC. Endo H treatment slightly reduced T_m to 62.6ºC and initiated unfolding at a lower T_{onset} of 48.9ºC. Antigenicity was assessed using the same antibody panel. In the ELISA (**Fig. 4c and Fig. S4b**), endo H treatment improved trimer binding to CA45, ADI-15878, and ADI-15946, which access a quaternary epitope near the base with few glycan contacts, but reduced trimer binding to BDBV-289, which targets the glycan cap, with glycans at N238 and N268 being part of the epitope. However, their differences in EC_{50} were small (1.5- to 1.9-fold) and not ebolavirus-specific. In the BLI analysis, glycan-modified trimers generated slightly higher binding signals than wildtype trimers (**Fig. 4d** and **Fig. S4c**). Glycan modification appeared to only have a modest impact on the biochemical, biophysical, and antigenic properties of stabilized ebolavirus GPΔmuc trimers except thermostability for EBOV.

We next characterized glycan-modified GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-presenting SApNPs. For SUDV, both E2p and I3-01v9 SApNPs were included in this analysis, but for EBOV, only the E2p scaffold was tested due to the low yield of I3-01v9b SApNP. Notably, an N655D mutation was introduced to eliminate an *N*-glycan site at the base of the SUDV GP2 stalk that may hinder SApNP assembly. A design variant termed SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD will be used hereafter (**Fig. S4d**). EBOV and SUDV SApNPs were transiently expressed in ExpiCHO cells with Kif and purified by IAC (ADI-

15878) and SEC. SEC-purified, Kif-treated SApNP was trimmed by endo H and further purified

by SEC. The SEC profiles contained a peak at ~8.5-9.0 ml corresponding to SApNPs and, after

endo H treatment, a peak at ~16.8 ml corresponding to endo H (**Fig. 4e**). The structural integrity

of glycan-modified EBOV and SUDV GPΔmuc SApNPs was validated by nsEM (**Fig. 4e**). SDS-

PAGE confirmed that Kif/Endo H-treated SApNPs had a lower molecular weight than Kif-treated

SApNPs (**Fig. S4e**). Given the low yield of EBOV SApNPs, only SUDV SApNPs were subjected

to glycan profiling and antigenic characterization. Site-specific glycan profiles confirmed that all

complex glycans in SUDV GPΔmuc were now replaced by oligomannose-type glycans in the Kif-

treated material (**Fig. 4f** and **Fig. S4f**). As expected, the N655 glycan was absent in the N655D

mutant construct. In the ELISA (**Fig. 4g** and **Fig. S4g**), the antigenic profiles of SApNPs appeared

to be largely consistent with those of trimers, with a more pronounced difference in EC_{50} between

Kif and Kif/Endo H-treated materials (1.0- to 7.9-fold) observed for CA45, ADI-15878, and ADI-

15946 (**Fig. 4g** and **Fig. S4g**). In the BLI analysis, all pan-ebolavirus bNAbs showed higher

binding signals to Kif/Endo H-treated SApNPs, which only had a layer of mono-GlcNAc stumps

on the GP trimer (**Fig. 4h** and **Fig. S4h**). In summary, these results suggested that glycan trimming

may allow better antibody access to the conserved GP epitopes on the SApNP surface.

Rational design of a prefusion-stabilized RAVV GPΔmuc trimer

RAVV is one of the two known members of the *Marburgvirus* genus in the filovirus family (*39,*

48). Similar to ebolavirus GPs, RAVV GP also contains GP1 with a heavily glycosylated MLD

and GP2 (**Fig. 5a**). Here, we applied a similar strategy to design a prefusion-stabilized RAVV GP

trimer based on an MLD-deleted GP construct (ΔN257-T425), termed GPΔmuc. Other mutations,

such as T578P and E580P (P^2 and P^4, respectively) in the HR1c bend and E631F/Q632V at the C-

terminus (termed CT), were introduced to create five RAVV GP constructs: 1) GPΔTM (truncation

at 637), 2) GPΔmuc, 3) GPΔmuc-P^2, 4) GPΔmuc-P^4, and 5) GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT, all with a C-terminal

foldon motif and His$_6$ tag (**Fig. S5a**). All RAVV GP constructs were transiently expressed in

ExpiCHO cells and purified using a Nickel column followed by SEC. Both GPΔTM and GPΔmuc

constructs produced a low yield that contained multiple GP species including aggregate (~9-10

ml), trimer (~10.5 ml), dimer (~13.6 ml), and monomer (~14.7) (**Fig. 5b**). The P^2 mutation in HR1c

substantially improved the SEC profiles of various GPΔmuc constructs, showing a predominant

trimer peak at ~10.5 ml as well as visible dimer and monomer peaks. In contrast, the P^4 mutation

caused significant aggregation, indicated by a peak at ~8.63 ml (**Fig. S5b**). The GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT

construct demonstrated an optimal SEC profile, with an equivalent yield to GPΔmuc-P^2 but less

dimer/monomer content. MARV NAbs MR78 and MR191 (*48*), when used in IAC purification,

failed to capture GPΔmuc-P^2 and GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT (**Fig. S5c**). Nonetheless, distinct trimer bands

were discernible on the SDS-PAGE gel after Nickel/SEC purification (**Fig. 5c** and **Fig. S5d**). In

DSC, we observed two denaturing states for GPΔmuc-P^2 at 51.0ºC and 60.0ºC and three denaturing

states for GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT at 54.5ºC, 58.3ºC, and 66.6ºC (**Fig. 5d**). The CT mutation appeared to

improve the trimer thermostability at the cost of creating a new unfolding intermediate.

The lead RAVV GPΔmuc design, GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT, was complexed with MR78 for nsEM

analysis (**Fig. 5e** and **Fig. S5e**). We hypothesized that if the nsEM model, albeit at a low resolution,

matched the crystal structure (PDB ID: 5UQY), then it would not only validate our rational design

but also provide evidence for the correct presentation of a conserved neutralizing epitope. Indeed,

the 2D classifications showed well-formed RAVV GPΔmuc/MR78 complexes (**Fig. S5e**). The

crystal structure could be fitted into the nsEM density map (**Fig. 5e**, left). Notably, our nsEM

model also superposed well with a previous nsEM model of the RAVV GPΔmuc/MR78 complex

(**Fig. 5e**, right). The site-specific glycan analysis showed distinct patterns compared to ebolavirus

GPs (**Fig. 5f** and **Fig. S5f**). Specifically, four *N*-glycan sites at N94, N171, N219, and N564 were

mainly oligomannose-type, whereas N190, N202, and N487 presented either oligomannose- or

complex-type glycans. Two sites, N475 and N619, presented predominantly complex-type glycans.

In the ELISA (**Fig. 5g** and **Fig. S5g**), RAVV GPΔmuc-P^2- and GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT trimers bound to

MR78 and MR191 with similar EC$_{50}$ values. The BLI data were largely consistent with the ELISA

data (**Fig. 5h** and **Fig. S5h**). RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT was displayed on E2p and I3-01v9b SApNPs,

which were assessed by nsEM following ExpiCHO expression and IAC purification (**Fig. S5i**).

Protein NPs were not observed in any nsEM micrographs. Taken together, our results indicate that

GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT provides a native-like, prefusion-stabilized design for marburgvirus GP vaccine

development, but its multivalent display on SApNPs may require further optimization.

Distribution, trafficking, and retention of SUDV GPΔmuc trimers and trimer-presenting

SApNPs in lymph nodes

In our previous studies, we observed a positive correlation between the thermostability of a viral

antigen (i.e., T$_m$) to be displayed on E2p or I3-01v9 SApNPs and the retention time of resulting

SApNP vaccine antigens in lymph node follicles (*108, 120, 121*). In this study, we hypothesized

that SUDV GPΔmuc-presenting SApNPs may behave *in vivo* similarly to HIV-1 Env-presenting

SApNPs, as their trimeric antigens exhibited comparable T$_m$ values (~63-66°C). Following our

previously established protocol (*108, 120, 121*), we immunized mice with SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4

trimer and SApNPs (both E2p and I3-01v9b included) to investigate their interaction with cellular

components in lymph nodes and analyze vaccine-induced immunological responses.

To induce a robust humoral response, vaccine antigens must be transported through the

lymphatic system, accumulate in lymph node follicles, and effectively engage with B cell receptors

(BCRs) to stimulate B cell activation (*122-125*). We first examined the distribution of E2p and I3-

01v9b SApNPs in lymph nodes. We intradermally administered SApNPs to mice via footpads (4

footpads, 10 μg/footpad). The brachial and popliteal sentinel lymph nodes were isolated from both

sides of the body of the mouse 12 h after a single-dose injection for immunohistological studies.

Four NAbs, ADI-15878 (*111*), ADI-15946 (*114*), CA45 (*113*), and mAb100 (*126*), were used to

stain lymph node sections for antigen detection (**Fig. S6a**). Overall, the immunostaining images

from CA45 demonstrated the best signal-to-noise ratio. Based on these data, CA45 was selected

to study the distribution and trafficking of SUDV GPΔmuc-based vaccines in lymph nodes.

Consistent with our previous studies of SARS-CoV-2 spike (*121*), HIV-1 Env (*108*), and influenza

M2ex3 (*120*) SApNPs, SUDV GPΔmuc-presenting E2p and I3-01v9b SApNPs accumulated in the

centers of lymph node follicles (**Figs. 6a** and **b**, images on the left; schematics on the right).

We next assessed the trafficking and retention patterns of SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer

and SApNPs in lymph node follicles over a period of 8 weeks after a single-dose injection (4

footpads, 10 μg/footpad) (**Fig. 6c**). Histological images showed that all SUDV immunogens were

transported into lymph nodes and accumulated in the subcapsular sinus within 2 h (**Fig. 6c**). While

the soluble trimer was transported into lymph node follicles within 2 h and completely cleared by

48 h, both E2p and I3-01v9b SApNPs appeared in follicles at 2 h, achieved peak accumulation at

48 h, and were retained in follicles over a period of 8 weeks (**Fig. 6c**). Next, the CA45-stained area

was quantified in a time-dependent manner, demonstrating a ~112-times longer retention for the

E2p and I3-01v9b SApNPs compared with the soluble trimer (**Figs. 6c** and **d**). The area under the

curve (AUC) indicated that the exposure of SUDV GPΔmuc presented on the SApNP surface is

14-28 times higher than the same antigen in a soluble trimer form (**Fig. 6e**). The two large SApNPs

displaying 20 GPΔmuc trimers also showed 19-33 times greater accumulation compared with the

soluble GPΔmuc trimer at 48 h (**Fig. 6f**). These findings are consistent with our previous studies

(*108, 120, 121*), where individual antigens were cleared from follicles within 48 h, whereas large

antigen-presenting SApNPs exhibited prolonged follicular retention lasting for 2-8 weeks. Notably,

the retention time of SUDV GPΔmuc SApNPs fell in the same range as HIV-1 Env SApNPs and

influenza M2ex3 SApNPs, all of which yielded a T_m value greater than 62°C, supporting our

hypothesis that antigen thermostability (T_m) correlates with SApNP retention.

FDCs are resident stromal cells that form a network structure in lymph node follicles and

play an essential role in antigen retention and presentation to stimulate B cell responses (*122-124,*

127). FDC networks retain soluble antigens, immune complexes, viruses, and bacteria on their

surfaces and dendrites to induce GC initiation and maintenance (*128-130*). Our previous studies

demonstrated that FDC networks are the major follicular components to retain SARS-CoV-2 spike,

HIV-1 Env, and influenza M2ex3 SApNPs (*108, 120, 121*). To test whether this would be the case

for SUDV GPΔmuc SApNPs, we isolated sentinel lymph nodes at the peak of accumulation (48 h)

and subsequent timepoints (2 h to 8 weeks) after intradermal administration (**Fig. 6g** and **Figs.**

S6b-g). Lymph node sections were stained with NAb CA45 (white) (*113*) for SUDV GPΔmuc,

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

macrophages. The immunofluorescent signals of SUDV GPΔmuc SApNPs colocalized well with

FDC (CD21$^+$) networks at 48 h (**Fig. 6g**), thus confirming our hypothesis.

Interaction of SUDV GPΔmuc SApNPs with FDCs and phagocytic cells in lymph nodes

FDC networks form a reservoir in lymph node follicles for antigen sequestration, alignment, and

presentation to effectively crosslink BCRs, activate naive B cells, and stimulate GC reactions (*122-*

124, 131). Our previous transmission electron microscopy (TEM) analysis indicated that FDC

networks retained SARS-CoV-2 spike and HIV-1 Env SApNPs on their cell surface and dendrites

through interactions with complement protein 3 (C3) and complement receptor 2 (CR2) (*108, 121*).

Here, we visualized the interface between FDC dendrites and B cells to understand how FDC

networks present SUDV GPΔmuc SApNPs adjuvanted with aluminum phosphate (AP) to engage

B cells. To this end, we injected adjuvanted E2p and I3-01v9b SApNPs into the mouse hind

footpads (2 footpads, 50 μg/footpad). Fresh popliteal sentinel lymph nodes were isolated 2, 12,

and 48 h after a single injection. The lymph node tissues were sectioned and processed for TEM

analysis. TEM images revealed the expected, characteristic morphology of long FDC dendrites

interacting with B cells in lymph node follicles (**Figs. 7a-c**). Intact SUDV GPΔmuc E2p and I3-

01v9b SApNPs (round-shaped granules, yellow arrows) were aligned on FDC dendrites and B cell

surfaces at all timepoints, and AP particles appeared not to colocalize with SApNPs (**Figs. 7a-c**

and **Fig. S7a-f**). These results illustrated how FDC networks collect and present vaccine antigens

(i.e., SUDV GPΔmuc SApNPs) and use their long dendrites to maximize interactions between

antigens and BCRs. At the later timepoints (12 and 48 h), SUDV GPΔmuc SApNPs were also

found to be inside endolysosomes of B cells (**Figs. S7c** and **e**).

Phagocytic cell populations, such as macrophages and dendritic cells, take up and process

vaccine antigens to facilitate adaptive immune responses (*125, 132, 133*). These innate immune

cells, located in the subcapsular sinus and medullary sinus of lymph nodes, can capture vaccine

antigens, transport them to migrating B cells, and eventually deposit them on FDCs through a

complement-dependent transport mechanism (*123, 124, 134-138*). In this study, we assessed the

interaction between phagocytic cells and AP-adjuvanted SApNPs. SUDV GPΔmuc-presenting

E2p and I3-01v9b SApNPs were found to be either on the surface or inside endolysosomes of

phagocytic cells (**Figs. 7d** and **e** and **Figs. S7g-l**), consistent with our previous findings for SARS-

CoV-2 spike and HIV-1 Env SApNPs (*108, 121*). AP particles tended to aggregate in the

extracellular matrix (ECM) 2 h after the injection (**Fig. 7f** and **Fig. S7m**). Both I3-01v9b SApNPs

and AP particles were also observed inside endolysosomes of phagocytic cells at all timepoints

(**Fig. 7g** and **Figs. S7n-p**). Overall, E2p and I3-01v9b SApNPs were associated with FDC

networks, B cells, and phagocytic cells with a similar trend. FDC networks retained SApNPs on

the cell dendrites and presented native antigens to B cells in lymph node follicles. A substantial

amount of SApNPs was processed inside endolysosomes of phagocytic cells with AP adjuvant.

Assessment of GC reactions induced by SUDV GPΔmuc trimers and SApNPs in lymph nodes

In lymph node follicles, GCs are the places where B cell somatic hypermutation, selection, affinity

maturation, and class switching occur (*128, 139, 140*). GC reactions lead to the formation of

immune memory and development of NAb responses upon vaccination (*122, 125*). As the essential

components supporting GC initiation and maintenance, FDC networks and T follicular helper (T_{fh})

cells present vaccine antigens and stimulate B cells, respectively (*141-143*). Here, we hypothesized

that SUDV GPΔmuc SApNPs can be retained by FDC networks for a longer period and thus induce

more robust and long-lived GC reactions in lymph node follicles compared with the soluble trimers.

We first characterized GC reactions induced by I3-01v9b after a single-dose injection (4 footpads,

10 μg/footpad). Using a previously established protocol (*108, 120, 121*), vaccine-induced GC B

cells ($GL7^+$, red) and T_{fh} cells ($CD4^+$ $Bcl6^+$, co-labeled with cyan and red) in lymph nodes were

assessed by immunohistological analysis. Robust GCs were formed and attached to FDC networks

($CD21^+$, green), with well-organized dark zone (DZ) and light zone (LZ) compartments in B cell

follicles (B220+, blue) (**Fig. 8a**, left). T_{fh} cells were observed in the LZ of GCs, sustaining the

process of B cell affinity maturation (**Fig. 8a**, right). We then applied this immunohistological

assessment to the SUDV GPΔmuc trimer and SApNPs (both E2p and I3-01v9b) 2, 5, and 8 weeks

after a single-dose injection (**Fig. 8b** and **Figs. S8a-c**) and 2 and 5 weeks after the boost (**Fig. 8c**

and **Figs. S8d** and **e**). We quantified GC reactions using two metrics: GC/FDC ratio (the frequency

of GCs associated with FDC networks) and size of GCs (occupied area in follicles) as previously

described (*108, 120, 121*). All three SUDV GPΔmuc immunogens induced robust GCs, with the

I3-01v9b SApNP group showing the largest GCs 2 weeks after a single-dose vaccination (**Fig. 8b**

and **Fig. S8a**). While the GC/FDC ratio after a single trimer dose decreased significantly over 8

weeks, the two SApNPs induced long-lived GCs with high GC/FDC ratios (above 50%) lasting

for 8 weeks (**Fig. 8b**). The sizes of GCs declined over time in both trimer and SApNP groups (**Figs.**

8b and **d**). For all vaccine groups, robust GCs were restored after the boost, and the GC/FDC ratio

of the GPΔmuc trimer group remained similar (all above 75%) to the two SApNP groups (**Fig. 8c**).

Overall, the two SApNPs generated larger GCs than the soluble trimer, 1.3 to 2.5 times larger after

one dose (**Figs. 8b** and **d**) and 1.4 to 1.8 times larger after the boost (**Figs. 8c** and **e**).

Next, we assessed GC reactions using flow cytometry. We intradermally immunized mice

with three vaccines and isolated the sentinel lymph nodes 2, 5, and 8 weeks after a single-dose

injection (**Fig. 8f** and **Fig. S9**) and 2 and 5 weeks after the boost injection (**Fig. 8g**) (4 footpads,

10 µg/injection). Fresh lymph node tissues were disaggregated into a single-cell suspension and

stained with an antibody cocktail. The GC reactions were quantified based on the percentage and

number of GC B and T_{fh} cells (**Fig. S9**). The I3-01v9b SApNP group yielded the highest percentage

and number of GC B cells 2 weeks after a single-dose injection (**Fig. 8f**), consistent with the

immunohistological analysis. Among all the vaccine groups, GC B cells declined over time while

T_{fh} remained steady for 8 weeks. A boost improved both the frequency and number of GC B cells

and T_{fh} cells (**Fig. 8g**). Notably, GC B and T_{fh} cells induced by I3-01v9b SApNP remained at a

relatively high level over 8 weeks after a boost injection. Compared with the soluble trimer, the

E2p and I3-01v9b SApNPs elicited 1.8/2.4-3.3 times more GC B cells and 1.5-1.8/2.4-3.2 times

more T_{fh} cells 8 weeks after the single-dose/boost injection, respectively (**Figs. 8f** and **g**). In

summary, the two SUDV GPΔmuc SApNPs generated more robust and long-lived GC reactions

than the soluble GPΔmuc trimer, leading to more potent and durable humoral immune responses.

Antibody responses induced by rationally designed filovirus GPΔmuc vaccines in mice

We assessed the immunogenicity of rationally designed filovirus GPΔmuc constructs, both trimers

and SApNPs (E2p and I3-01v9b), in mice (**Fig. 9a**). The filovirus antigen (10 µg) was adjuvanted

with aluminum hydroxide (AH) and a Toll-like receptor 9 (TLR9) agonist (CpG ODN 1826). Mice

were immunized intraperitoneally at weeks 0, 3, 9, and 15 with an interval of 6 weeks between the

second and third doses and the third and fourth doses. Blood serum was collected 2 weeks after

each immunization for serological analysis. The EBOV vaccine-induced serum binding antibody

(bAb) responses were determined by ELISA using an EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0) antigen (**Fig.**

9b and **Figs. S10a** and **b**). Notably, the use of 1TD0, and not foldon, as the trimerization motif

allowed us to detect only GPΔmuc-specific bAb responses. Overall, EBOV GPΔmuc E2p SApNP

elicited the highest bAb titers at all four timepoints, showing 8.2- and 5.3-fold higher EC$_{50}$ values

than the soluble trimer at weeks 2 and 5, respectively. All vaccine groups reached plateaued EC$_{50}$

titers after three immunizations at week 11. EBOV GPΔmuc I3-01v9b SApNP yielded an identical

EC$_{50}$ titer of 182253 to its E2p counterpart at week 11, 2.5-fold higher than the EC$_{50}$ titers elicited

by the soluble trimer. The sera after four vaccine doses at week 17 were assessed against a SUDV

GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0) antigen (**Fig. 9c** and **Fig. S10c**). Similarly, EBOV GPΔmuc E2p SApNP

elicited the highest EC$_{50}$ titer of 32585, which was 3.5-fold higher than the soluble trimer. Cross-

reactive bAb responses were also tested against a RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT(1TD0) antigen (**Fig. 9d**

and **Fig. S10d**). Both E2p and I3-01v9b SApNP groups demonstrated significantly higher serum

binding signals, indicated by absorbance at 450 nm (A450), than the soluble trimer group. Serum

NAb responses were evaluated using a filovirus pseudoparticle (pp) neutralization assay (*35*), with

the 50% inhibitory dilution (ID_{50}) values calculated for comparison. Here, the week-2 sera were used as a negative control in the longitudinal serum NAb analysis. None of the EBOV GPΔmuc vaccines elicited any NAb response at week 2, but ID_{50} titers were detected at weeks 5, 11, and 17 and continued to increase when tested against an EBOV-Makona pseudovirus (**Fig. 9e** and **Figs. S10e** and **f**). Consistent with the bAb titers, EBOV GPΔmuc E2p SApNP produced the highest NAb titers at all timepoints, although no statistical significance was observed in a cross-group comparison. The week-17 mouse sera were also assessed using a SUDV-Gulu pseudovirus assay (**Fig. 9f** and **Fig. S10g**). EBOV GPΔmuc E2p SApNP yielded the highest EC_{50} titer of 761 among all vaccine groups. Notably, the EBOV GPΔmuc trimer group elicited the highest EC_{50} titer of 2759 at week 17 against a BDBV-Uganda pseudovirus, which was 4.5- and 4.9-fold higher than E2p and I3-01v9b SApNPs, respectively (**Fig. 9g** and **Fig. S10h**).

We assessed SUDV vaccine-induced serum bAb responses by ELISA against a SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0) antigen (**Fig. 9h** and **Figs. S10i** and **j**). Consistent with the bAb responses elicited by EBOV vaccines, SUDV GPΔmuc E2p SApNP yielded the highest EC_{50} titers of 871, 82910, and 307187 at weeks 2, 5 and 11, respectively, 12.4-, 4.5-, and 5.7-fold higher than the soluble trimer. The EC_{50} titers in both E2p and I3-01v9 SApNP groups plateaued after three doses at week 11, whereas the soluble trimer group reached a peak of 102959 after four doses at week 17, which was still slightly lower than the two SApNP groups. These results correlated well with the GC reactions generated by SUDV GPΔmuc trimer and SApNPs (**Fig. 8**). The week-17 sera were then evaluated against an EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0) antigen (**Fig. 9i** and **Fig. S10k**). SUDV GPΔmuc-presenting E2p and I3-01v9b SApNPs elicited EC_{50} titers of 27290 and 25446, which were 2.6- and 2.4-fold higher than the soluble GPΔmuc trimer. We tested cross-reactive bAb responses using week-17 sera against a RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT(1TD0) antigen (**Fig. 9j** and

Fig. S10l). The E2p and I3-01v9b SApNP groups demonstrated significantly higher serum binding signals (A450) than the soluble trimer group. Next, we assessed SUDV GPΔmuc vaccine-induced autologous NAb responses in a SUDV-Gulu pseudovirus assay. Similarly, the week-2 sera were used as a negative control in the longitudinal SUDV neutralization assays. None of the vaccines elicited a detectable NAb response at week 2 except for one mouse in the E2p group, but the ID_{50} titers were detectable at weeks 5, 11, and 17 and plateaued at week 11 after three doses (**Fig. 9k** and **Figs. S10m** and **n**). Overall, SUDV GPΔmuc trimer and SApNP vaccines showed comparable EC_{50} titers in the range of 1329-4628 at each timepoint after two doses. The week-17 mouse sera were tested against EBOV-Makona (**Fig. 9l** and **Fig. S10o**) and BDBV-Uganda (**Fig. 9m** and **Fig. S10p**) pseudoviruses. No statistical significance was found between the SUDV trimer and SApNP groups in their cross-NAb responses, measured by ID_{50} titers, against EBOV and BDBV.

Lastly, we assessed RAVV GPΔmuc trimer-induced serum bAb responses in ELISA using a RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT(1TD0) antigen (**Fig. 9n** and **Fig. S10q**). Similar to EBOV and SUDV GPΔmuc trimers, RAVV GPΔmuc trimer generated a strong bAb response after two doses, with the peak EC_{50} titer of 362215 at week 5. We tested cross-reactive bAb responses using week-17 sera against two ebolavirus antigens, EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0) (**Fig. 9o** and **Fig. S10r**) and SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0) (**Fig. 9p** and **Fig. S10s**). Low bAb titers, indicated by absorbance (A450) values, were observed for SUDV GPΔmuc in most mice. Vaccine-induced NAb responses were evaluated against pseudotyped MARV-Angola and ebolaviruses using purified IgG and week-17 sera, respectively (**Fig. 9q** and **Figs. S10t** and **u**). Notably, mouse IgG was purified to eliminate nonspecific serum background in the MARV pseudovirus assay (**Fig. S10t**, left), and in this assay, the neutralization potency was measured by the 50% inhibitory concentration (IC_{50}). To summarize, the RAVV GPΔmuc trimer group yielded IC_{50} values of 30.9-148.4 µg/ml with a

geometric mean of 70.2 µg/ml when IgG was tested against MARV-Angola. To be consistent with

EBOV and SUDV vaccines, RAVV GPΔmuc trimer-induced sera were tested against EBOV-

Makona, SUDV-Gulu, and BDBV-Uganda in pseudovirus assays. Despite the positive signals in

serum (**Fig. S10u**), IgG neutralization is likely needed to confirm this critical finding.

Antibody responses induced by glycan-modified filovirus GPΔmuc vaccines in mice

We assessed the immunogenicity of filovirus GPΔmuc vaccines with oligomannose-rich (Kif) and

trimmed (Kif/endo H) glycans in mice (**Fig. 10a**). We utilized the same immunization protocol as

in our previous vaccine studies (*95, 108, 144, 145*), which differed from the longer-interval (6

weeks) regimen used for wildtype GPΔmuc vaccines (**Fig. 9a**). Here, mice were immunized at

weeks 0, 3, 6, and 9 with an interval of 3 weeks between two adjacent doses via the intraperitoneal

route. The injection dose contained 10 µg of glycan-modified antigen formulated with 100 µl of

CpG/AH adjuvant, resulting in a final volume of 200 µl. Blood serum was collected 2 weeks after

each dose and the EC_{50} titers were plotted longitudinally for comparison.

We first assessed glycan-modified EBOV GPΔmuc trimer-induced serum bAb responses

by ELISA against an EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0) antigen (**Fig. 10b** and **Figs. S11a** and **b**).

Among the three groups, the glycan-trimmed EBOV GPΔmuc trimer elicited the lowest EC_{50} titers

at all three timepoints, while Kif-treated EBOV GPΔmuc trimer yield the highest EC_{50} titers, 212

and 42360 at weeks 2 and 5, respectively. In terms of EC_{50} titers, the Kif-treated group was 2.2-

and 6.2-fold higher at week 2 and 1.2- and 2.1-fold higher at week 5 than the wildtype and trimmed

groups, respectively. All trimer groups reached the peak of EC_{50} titers after three doses. Following

a similar trend, the Kif-treated EBOV GPΔmuc-E2p SApNP group showed the highest bAb titers

at all three timepoints (**Fig. 10c** and **Figs. S11a** and **b**). The bAb responses appeared to plateau at

week 5, with Kif-treated EBOV GPΔmuc-E2p SApNP showing the highest EC_{50} titer of 300502,

1.5- and 3.2-fold higher than its wildtype and glycan-trimmed counterparts, respectively. Wildtype

and Kif-treated EBOV GPΔmuc I3-01v9 SApNPs induced comparable bAb responses, reaching

peak EC_{50} titers after three doses (**Fig. 10d** and **Figs. S11a** and **b**). We next assessed NAb

responses induced by glycan-modified EBOV GPΔmuc vaccines against EBOV-Makona. Overall,

the Kif-treated vaccines were the best performers, while the glycan-trimmed vaccines induced the

lowest NAb responses at all three timepoints (**Fig. 10e-g** and **Figs. S11c** and **d**). Specifically, Kif-

treated EBOV GPΔmuc trimer yielded an ID_{50} titer of 449 at week 5, 1.5- and 1.9-fold higher than

its wildtype and glycan-trimmed counterparts, respectively (**Fig. 10e**). Kif-treated EBOV GPΔmuc

E2p SApNP elicited an ID_{50} titer of 1459 at week 5, 2.3- and 4.1-fold higher than its wildtype and

glycan-trimmed counterparts, respectively (**Fig. 10f**). A similar pattern was noted for the I3-01v9b

SApNP groups (**Fig. 10g**). Our results thus demonstrated the beneficial effect of an oligomannose-

rich glycan shield on bAb and NAb responses induced by EBOV GPΔmuc vaccines.

We assessed glycan-modified SUDV GPΔmuc trimer-induced serum bAb responses by

ELISA against a SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0) antigen (**Fig. 10h** and **Figs. S11e** and **f**). At all

three timepoints, Kif-treated SUDV GPΔmuc trimer elicited the highest bAb titers, whereas

glycan-trimmed elicited the lowest bAb titers, similar to EBOV. Regardless of glycan modification,

all vaccine groups reached peak EC_{50} titers after three doses. Kif-treated SUDV GPΔmuc trimer

elicited the highest EC_{50} titers, 425 and 150326 at weeks 2 and 5, respectively. In terms of EC_{50}

titers, Kif-treated SUDV GPΔmuc trimer was 6.1- and 13.3-fold higher at week 2 and 8.2- and

27.6-fold higher at week 5 than its wildtype and glycan-trimmed counterparts, respectively.

Similarly, for both SUDV GPΔmuc E2p and I3-01v9b SApNPs, the Kif-treated groups showed

the highest bAb responses at weeks 2 and 5 (**Figs. 10i** and **j** and **Figs. S11e** and **f**). In addition, for

both SApNPs, Kif treatment led to plateaued EC_{50} titers after two doses at week 5, whereas the

wildtype and glycan-trimmed groups required three doses to reach their EC_{50} titers at week 8. Kif-

treated SUDV GPΔmuc E2p and I3-01v9b SApNP elicited the highest EC_{50} titers of 329358 and

271692 at week 5, respectively, 2.1- and 6.9-fold higher than their wildtype counterparts and 2.3-

and 5.7-fold higher than their glycan-trimmed counterparts, respectively. We then evaluated NAb

responses induced by glycan-modified SUDV GPΔmuc vaccines against SUDV-Gulu. All three

SUDV GPΔmuc trimer groups reached peak ID_{50} titers after three doses (**Fig. 10k** and **Figs. S11g**

and **h**). The Kif-treated SUDV GPΔmuc trimer group showed the highest ID_{50} titer of 3652 at week

5, 2.7- and 2.2-fold higher than its wildtype and glycan-trimmed counterparts, respectively (**Fig.**

10k). Three E2p SApNPs showed comparable ID_{50} titers, indicating a limited impact of glycan

modification on NAb responses (**Fig. 10l**). Among the I3-01v9 SApNP groups, Kif-treated I3-

01v9b SApNP elicited the highest ID_{50} titer of 4041 at week 8, 2.9- and 3.2-fold higher than its

wildtype and glycan-trimmed counterparts, respectively (**Fig. 10m**).

Lastly, we assessed glycan-trimmed RAVV GPΔmuc trimer-induced serum bAb responses

by ELISA against a wildtype RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT(1TD0) antigen (**Fig. 10n** and **Figs. S11i** and

j). The wildtype trimer group achieved the peak EC_{50} titer of 362215 after two doses, whereas the

glycan-trimmed trimer group required three doses to reach the highest EC_{50} titer, 446121. Overall,

no significant difference was found between the two groups at any timepoint. We also compared

NAb responses induced by the wildtype and glycan-trimmed RAVV GPΔmuc vaccines using

purified IgG against pseudotyped MARV-Angola and ebolaviruses (**Fig. 10o** and **Fig. S10k**). In

terms of MARV-Angola neutralization, the two trimer groups showed similar IC_{50} values in the

range of 25.9-191.6 μg/ml. In terms of ebolavirus neutralization, mouse IgG was tested against

EBOV-Makona, SUDV-Gulu, and BDBV-Uganda. Indeed, both RAVV GPΔmuc trimers elicited

cross-ebolavirus NAbs, with the wildtype being more effective than the glycan-trimmed trimers.

IgG neutralization against lymphocytic choriomeningitis virus pseudoparticles (LCMV-pps) was

tested in a negative control assay, in which nonspecific activity was not detected.

Our results illustrated the importance of NP display and glycan modification for filovirus

vaccine immunogenicity in a mouse model. Overall, the Kif-treated GPΔmuc SApNPs elicited the

strongest bAb and NAb responses. However, due to the differences in our immunization protocols

(e.g., injection intervals), more *in vivo* studies are needed to confirm our results. Another important

finding is the induction of cross-ebolavirus NAbs by RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT, shown at both serum

and IgG levels (**Fig. 9q** right and **Fig. 10o**), suggesting a more immunogenetic nature of this

marburgvirus GP and its potential as a pan-filovirus vaccine antigen.

DISCUSSION

Filoviruses are a major cause of lethal VHF in humans and NHPs (*5, 6*). Viral GP mediates cell

entry by initiating attachment and membrane fusion (*13*). Structures of filovirus GP bound to NAbs

from human survivors demonstrate that GP harbors neutralizing epitopes and is the main target of

vaccine development (*17-20*). Two vector-based EBOV vaccines are now available for human use

after rVSV-ZEBOV (ERVEBO) (*62*) and a two-dose formula (Zabdeno + Mvabea) (*63*) were

approved by the U.S. FDA in 2019 and the European Commission in 2020, respectively. However,

no vaccines exist to prevent VHF caused by other filoviruses. In the past decade, a structure-based

rational approach has emerged and proven useful in accelerating vaccine development for RSV,

as well as the more challenging HIV-1 (*83, 84, 86, 87*). Like other class-I viral fusion proteins,

filovirus GP is metastable in its wildtype form (*94, 95*). As a result, filovirus vaccines that express

wildtype GP may not elicit an optimal immune response. Two recent studies explored potential

causes of filovirus GP metastability and stabilized the MLD-deleted GPΔmuc trimer in a native-

like conformation as vaccine antigens (*94, 95*). While native-like GP trimers remained the focus

of filovirus vaccines, protein NPs began to be assessed as a more effective platform for vaccine

delivery (*73, 95*). Glycan trimming was reported to improve NAb responses for influenza, HIV-1,

and SARS-CoV-2 vaccines (*107-109*), suggesting a general strategy for viral GP-based vaccines.

However, GP stabilization, NP display, and glycan modification have yet to be explored in a

systematic manner for diverse filoviruses in the context of rational vaccine design.

We previously reported that the HR2 stalk and HR1c bend in GP2 contributed to EBOV

GP metastability, and a W615L mutation and C-terminal extension (targeting HR2) in combination

with a proline mutation at T577 or L579 (targeting HR1c) resulted in a stable GPΔmuc trimer that

can be produced in mammalian cells with high yield and homogeneity (*95*). In the present study,

we sought to extend rational GP design to SUDV and BDBV in the *Ebolavirus* genus and RAVV

in the *Marburgvirus* genus to facilitate vaccine development to counter future filovirus outbreaks,

as highlighted by the U.S. Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority (BARDA)

(*75, 146, 147*). For GPs from these two filovirus genera, while the same GP2 elements (i.e., HR1c

and HR2 stalk) cause metastability, solutions to stabilize these proteins appear to be different. For

EBOV, SUDV, and BDBV, a comparative analysis of GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^2 and -WL^{2}P^4 constructs

revealed a more favorable thermostability profile for P^4 but little difference in trimer yield, purity,

and antigenicity between P^2 and P^4. The crystal structure of EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 elucidated

the stabilizing effect of an interprotomer hydrogen bond (R130-A575), while the cryo-EM model

of SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 captured the atomic details of GP-CA45 interactions, thus confirming

that GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 is a general design to stabilize ebolavirus GP in a native-like conformation

for immune recognition. For RAVV, the P^2 (T578P) construct showed substantially higher trimer

yield than its P^4 (E580P) counterpart, with a double mutation (E631F/Q632V) toward the base of

the HR2 stalk further improving trimer stability, resulting in a GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT design. Notably, the

W615L mutation used to stabilize ebolavirus GP was adopted from MARV GP (*95*), whereas here

the E631F/Q632V mutation used to stabilize marburgvirus GP was introduced from EBOV GP,

suggesting that filoviruses may have evolved distinct mechanisms to control metastability through

either a widened neck (for ebolaviruses) or a charged tail (for marburgviruses) within the coiled-

coil HR2 stalk. Our findings also suggest that other class-I viral GPs may contain triggers of

metastability within their stalks, such as RSV fusion and SARS-CoV-2 spike proteins.

We previously focused our NP design efforts on the interior, incorporating an inner shell

of locking domains and a core of helper T-cell epitopes (*95*). The resulting "multilayered" E2p

and I3-01v9 SApNPs were used to present EBOV, SARS-CoV-2, HIV-1, and influenza antigens

(*95, 108, 120, 144, 148*). We also observed that EBOV GP and RSV F (*95, 149*), both containing

a coiled-coil stalk, but not HIV-1 Env (*86, 150*) dissociated into monomers without a C-terminal

trimerization motif, suggesting that NPs with small, rigid anchoring sites may be more suitable for

displaying such GP trimers with extended stalks. Compared with E2p, which has a small triangular

anchoring site (9 Å) on the NP surface (*151*), I3-01v9 *N*-termini form a large spacing of 50.5 Å

(*150*), which may destabilize EBOV and other filovirus GPs on the NP surface. To address this

issue, we redesigned I3-01v9 using a previously created I3-01v9a variant (*120*) as the template.

An *N*-terminal helix was generated and packed against the protein core *in silico*, resulting in I3-

01v9b/c. When the I3-01v9b/c-T variants were used as "scaffolds" to present EBOV GPΔmuc-

WL^{2}P^4, the resulting constructs showed native-like GP structures in EM. However, it is worth

noting that while all three ebolavirus GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimers were successfully displayed on E2p

and I3-01v9b SApNPs, a similar attempt with RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT produced low yield and

aggregation. It is plausible that certain regions within RAVV GP might interact with the NP

backbone and consequently cause misfolding. Nonetheless, our results suggest that I3-01v9b/c can

now be used to display filovirus GP as well as other viral GPs, such as RSV F and SARS-CoV-2

spike, with greater trimer stability. Glycan modification adds another dimension to rational vaccine

design (*108*), but the biochemical, biophysical, structural, and antigenic properties must be

reevaluated. Here, the glycan-trimmed GPΔmuc trimers showed lower T_m values than wildtype

and Kif-treated oligomannose-rich GPΔmuc trimers. Similar to our previous HIV-1 study (*108*),

glycan trimming improved NAb epitope recognition for both trimers and SApNPs. However, the

improved *in vitro* antigenicity may not necessarily correlate with *in vivo* immunogenicity.

In recent studies, we established a vaccine strategy in which a detailed mechanistic analysis

was performed to characterize *in vivo* behaviors of immunogens to provide potential explanations

for the NAb results from vaccination (*108, 120, 121*). In the analysis of SUDV GPΔmuc vaccine

constructs, multivalent display of GPΔmuc trimers on SApNPs allowed stronger interactions with

FDC networks, B cells, and phagocytic cells in lymph nodes. The size and intrinsic thermostability

of SApNPs enhanced vaccine retention and presentation in lymph node follicles (over 8 weeks),

in addition to more robust and durable GC reactions, compared with the soluble GPΔmuc trimer.

The nearly identical trafficking and retention patterns observed for SApNPs presenting SUDV

GPΔmuc, HIV-1 Env (*108*), and influenza M2ex3 (*120*), which differ significantly in their glycan

profiles, confirm our previous conclusion that glycans may not be critical for the follicular

localization of NP vaccines in lymph nodes (*108*). Collectively, our current and previous studies

suggest that NP size and antigen thermostability may be determining factors in behaviors of these

NPs in lymph nodes (*108, 120, 121*). Mouse immunization sheds light on antibody responses to

various filovirus vaccines. Overall, the NAb responses tracked well with the bAb responses in the

longitudinal serum analysis. Among wildtype vaccines, EBOV and SUDV GPΔmuc-presenting

E2p SApNPs elicited the highest EC_{50} and ID_{50} titers at most timepoints, consistent with robust

GC reactions induced by E2p in the lymph node analysis. The two glycan modification strategies,

however, showed somewhat unexpected results. Glycan-trimmed trimers and SApNPs elicited the

lowest EC_{50} and ID_{50} titers at all timepoints, whereas Kif-treated, oligomannose-rich immunogens

induced the most potent bAb and NAb responses at most timepoints. This pattern was opposite to

that seen in the previous influenza HA/stem, SARS-CoV-2 spike, and HIV-1 Env vaccine studies,

in which glycan trimming improved the breadth and potency of vaccine-induced NAb responses

(*107-110*). Although the causes for this discrepancy remain unclear, our results suggest that there

may not be a general glycan strategy that fits all viral GP vaccines.

Our future research will focus on several directions. First, antibodies induced by GPΔmuc

trimers and SApNPs, both wildtype and glycan-modified, need to be isolated and mapped onto the

GP surface to determine how SApNP display improves NAb function, as demonstrated for SARS-

CoV-2 (*121*), how cross-NAbs recognize diverse GPs, and how glycan modification alters epitope

targeting. Second, the impact of glycan modification on vaccine-induced NAb responses requires

more in-depth studies. While it remains to be seen whether enriched oligomannose content can

improve NAb elicitation for other viral GP vaccines, approaches that produce different glycan

profiles may be readily tested for filovirus vaccine constructs. Non-mammalian systems, such as

engineered fungal (*152, 153*) and insect (*154*) cell lines, may generate shorter oligomannose-type

glycans with distinct glycoforms, reducing the complexity of chemical-based glycan modification.

Third, strategies for achieving pan-filovirus protection may warrant investigation. Although our

EBOV or SUDV GPΔmuc SApNPs can elicit cross-ebolavirus NAb responses, their combined use

with an optimized marburgvirus GP immunogen may be required to generate a pan-filovirus bNAb

response. Given the cross-ebolavirus NAb response induced by the RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT trimer,

efforts may also be directed to the multivalent display of this GPΔmuc trimer on SApNPs to further

improve the breadth and potency of this bNAb-like response. Lastly, filovirus challenge in mice

or guinea pigs will provide critical information on protection, allowing selected vaccine constructs

to be advanced to evaluation in an NHP immunization/challenge model.

METHODS

Construct design, expression, and purification of filovirus GP immunogens

For ebolaviruses, the amino acid sequences of EBOV GP (Mayinga strain, GenBank Accession:

NP_066246) with a T42A substitution, SUDV GP (Gulu strain, GenBank Accession: AAU43887),

and BDBV GP (R4386L strain, GenBank Accession: AYI50307) were used to design GPΔmuc

trimers (**Fig. S1a**) and SApNPs (**Fig. S3h**). Of note, an N637D mutation was later introduced to

the SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 construct to eliminate a potential *N*-linked glycosylation site at N637

due to the enzymatic site "AS" between the GP and SApNP backbone. For marburgviruses, the

amino acid sequence of RAVV GP (Ravn-87 strain, GenBank Accession: ABE27071) was used

to design GPΔTM and various GPΔmuc trimers (**Fig. S5a**).

Rationally designed EBOV, SUDV, and BDBV GPΔmuc trimers were transiently

expressed in HEK293F cells as previously described (*95*). Briefly, HEK293F cells were thawed

and suspended in FreeStyle 293 Expression Medium (Life Technologies, Carlsbad, CA) and

placed in a shaker incubator at 37°C at 135 rotations per minute (rpm) with 8% CO_2. When the

cells reached a density of 2.0×10^6/ml, the cells were diluted to a concentration of 1.0×10^6/ml in

1 L of FreeStyle 293 Expression Medium for transfection using a polyethyleneimine (PEI)

(Polysciences) transfection protocol. In brief, 900 μg of expression plasmid in 25 ml of Opti-MEM

transfection medium (Life Technologies, Carlsbad, CA) was mixed with 5 ml of PEI-MAX

(1.0 mg/ml) in 25 ml of Opti-MEM and incubated for 30 min at room temperature. Next, the

HEK293F cells were transfected with the DNA-PEI-MAX mixture and incubated in a shaker

incubator at 37°C at 135 rpm with 8% CO_2. Kifunensine (10 mg/L, Tocris Bioscience) was added

at the time of transfection to inhibit α-mannosidase I to generate oligomannose-type glycans. Five

days after transfection, supernatants containing the target protein were harvested, clarified by

centrifugation at $1126 \times g$ for 22 min, and filtered through a 0.45 µm filter (Thermo Scientific).

Ebolavirus GP was purified using an ADI-15878 antibody column except for the crystallographic

analysis of EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 and nsEM analysis of EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-I3-01v9b/c-T,

where an mAb100 antibody column was used. Ebolavirus GP was eluted three times each with 5

ml of 0.2 M glycine (pH 2.2), neutralized with 0.5 ml of 2 M Tris-Base (pH 9.0), and buffer-

exchanged into phosphate-buffered saline (PBS; pH 7.2). The IAC-purified ebolavirus GP was

further purified by SEC using a Superdex 200 Increase 10/300 GL column (Cytiva).

RAVV GPΔmuc trimers and all ebolavirus GPΔmuc-presenting SApNPs were produced

in ExpiCHO cells (Thermo Fisher). Briefly, ExpiCHO cells were thawed and incubated in

ExpiCHO Expression Medium (Thermo Fisher) in a shaker incubator at 37°C at 135 rpm with 8%

CO_2. When the cells reached a density of 10×10^6/ml, ExpiCHO Expression Medium was added

to adjust the cell density to 6×10^6/ml for transfection. The ExpiFectamine CHO/plasmid DNA

complexes were prepared for 100-ml transfection in ExpiCHO cells following the manufacturer's

instructions. Kifunensine (10 mg/L, Tocris Bioscience) was added at the time of ExpiCHO

transfection to inhibit α-mannosidase I to generate oligomannose-type glycans. For these

constructs, 100 µg of plasmid and 320 µl of ExpiFectamine 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 33°C at 115 rpm with 8% CO_2 according to 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 3724 × g for 25 min, and filtered using a 0.45 μm

filter (Thermo Fisher). RAVV GPΔmuc trimers were purified using Ni Sepharose excel resin

(Nickel, Cytiva), and the bound protein was eluted twice, each with 15 ml of 0.5 M imidazole, and

then exchanged into Tris-buffered saline (TBS; pH 7.2). Ebolavirus GPΔmuc-presenting SApNPs

were purified using an ADI-15878 antibody column, eluted three times each with 5 ml of 0.2 M

glycine (pH 2.2), neutralized with 0.5 ml of 2 M Tris-Base (pH 9.0), and buffer-exchanged into

PBS (pH 7.2). The Nickel-purified RAVV GPΔmuc trimer and all ebolavirus GPΔmuc-presenting

SApNPs were further polished by SEC using a Superdex 200 Increase 10/300 GL column (Cytiva)

and a Superose 6 Increase 10/300 GL column (Cytiva), respectively. Selected SEC fractions were

pooled, aliquoted, and frozen in liquid nitrogen or at -80 ºC until use.

Expression and purification of neutralizing antibodies (NAbs)

Antibodies in the IgG form were transiently expressed in ExpiCHO cells (Thermo Fisher). At 12-

14 days post-transfection, the cells were centrifuged at 3,724 × g for 25 min, with the supernatants

filtered using a 0.45-μm filter (Millipore). IgGs were purified using protein A affinity resin

(Cytiva) and eluted in 0.3 M citric acid (pH 3.0). The elution was immediately titrated to a neutral

pH of 7.0 by the addition of 2 M Tris-base (pH 9.0). The eluate was concentrated and exchanged

into PBS using an Amicon 10 kDa filter (Millipore). The IgG concentration was quantified by

UV$_{280}$ absorption with theoretical extinction coefficients.

Glycan trimming by endo H treatment and enzyme removal

The protocol for endo H treatment and removal was reported in our previous study (*108*). Briefly,

the surface glycans of filovirus GPΔmuc trimers and SApNPs were trimmed by endoglycosidase

H (Endo-Hf), a fusion of endo H and MBP (NEB, catalog no. P0703L), by mixing 1 mg of antigen

with 200 µl of 10× GlycoBuffer 3, 250 µl of endo H, and H_2O (if necessary) to make a 2 ml reaction.

The mixture was incubated at room temperature (25°C) for 5 h to facilitate enzymatic processing

of the GP glycans. After incubation, the mixtures were passed through a Superdex 200 increase

10/300 GL column (for trimers) and Superose 6 increase 10/300 GL column (for SApNPs) to

remove the MBP-tagged endo H. Notably, to enable glycan trimming by endo H, the filovirus

GPΔmuc trimers and SApNPs must be expressed in the presence of kifunensine. Previously, the

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

purified HIV-1 Env trimer and SApNPs (*108*). Notably, this additional step of endo H removal

was not included in the present study to preserve vaccine antigens for animal studies. The SEC-

purified fractions were pooled aliquoted, and frozen in liquid nitrogen or at -80 ºC until use.

SDS-PAGE and BN-PAGE

Filovirus GPΔmuc trimers and SApNPs 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 loaded on 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 mixed with 6× Laemmli SDS sample buffer (Thermo Scientific) and boiled for

5 min at 100°C. SDS-PAGE gels were run for 25 min at 250 V using SDS running buffer (Bio-

Rad). SDS-PAGE gels were stained with InstantBlue (Abcam). For BN-PAGE, the proteins were

mixed with 4× native dye and loaded on a BN-PAGE gel. The gel was run for 2–2.5 h at 150 V

with NativePAGE running buffer (Life Technologies) according to the manufacturer's instructions.

The BN-PAGE gels were stained using Coomassie Brilliant Blue R-250 (Bio-Rad) and destained

using a solution of 6% ethanol and 3% glacial acetic acid.

Differential scanning calorimetry (DSC)

Melting temperature (T_m) and other thermal parameters of filovirus GPΔmuc trimers purified by

an IAC or Nickel column followed by SEC were obtained using a MicroCal PEAQ-DSC Man

instrument (Malvern). Briefly, the purified protein in PBS buffer was diluted to 0.5-5 μM. Melting

was probed at a scan rate of 60°C/h 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 GraphPad Prism 10.3.1 software.

Site-specific glycan analysis

To generate site-specific glycan profiles, 100 μg aliquots of each antigen were denatured for 1 h

in 50 mM Tris/HCl, pH 8.0 containing 6 M urea and 5 mM dithiothreitol (DTT). Next, antigen

samples were reduced and alkylated by adding 20 mM iodoacetamide (IAA) and incubated for 1

h in the dark, followed by 1h of incubation with 20 mM DTT to eliminate residual IAA. The

alkylated antigen samples were buffer-exchanged into 50 mM Tris/HCl, pH 8.0 using Vivaspin

columns (10 kDa), and three of the aliquots were digested separately overnight using trypsin (Mass

Spectrometry Grade, Promega), chymotrypsin (Mass Spectrometry Grade, Promega) or alpha lytic

protease (Sigma Aldrich) at a ratio of 1:30 (w/w). The next day, the peptides were dried and

extracted using an Oasis HLB μElution Plate (Waters).

The peptides were dried again, resuspended in 0.1% formic acid, and analyzed by nanoLC-

electrospray ionization MS with an Ultimate 3000 HPLC (Thermo Fisher Scientific) system

coupled to an Orbitrap Eclipse mass spectrometer (Thermo Fisher Scientific) using stepped 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

3μM 75μM × 2cm) was used in line with liquid chromatography (LC) prior to separation with the

analytical column. The LC conditions were as follows: 280-minute linear gradient consisting of 4-

32% acetonitrile in 0.1% formic acid over 260 minutes followed by 20 minutes of alternating 76%

acetonitrile in 0.1% formic acid and 4% ACN in 0.1% formic acid, used to ensure all the sample

had eluted from the column. The flow rate was set to 300 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 375−1500 m/z. The stepped HCD collision energies were

set to 15%, 25%, and 45% and the MS2 for each energy was combined. Precursor and fragment

detection were performed using an Orbitrap at a resolution of MS^1 = 120,000 and MS^2 = 30,000.

The AGC target for MS1 was set to standard and injection time set to auto which involves the

system setting the two parameters to maximize sensitivity while maintaining cycle time. Full LC

and MS methodology can be extracted from the appropriate Raw file using XCalibur FreeStyle

software or upon request.

Glycopeptide fragmentation data were extracted from the raw file using Byos 4.6 (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 was searched using

the Protein Metrics 38 insect 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 at 4 ppm and 10 ppm for

fragments. A 1% false discovery rate (FDR) was applied. The relative amounts of each glycan at

each site as well as the unoccupied proportion were determined by comparing the extracted ion

chromatographic areas for different glycopeptides with an identical peptide sequence. Glycans

were categorized according to the composition detected.

HexNAc(2)Hex(9−3) was classified as M9 to M3. Any of these structures containing a

fucose were categorized as fucosylated mannose (FM). Complex-type glycans were classified

according to the number of HexNAc subunits and the presence or absence of fucose. Core glycans

refer to truncated structures smaller than M3. As this fragmentation method does not provide

linkage information, compositional isomers are grouped.

Biolayer interferometry

Antigenic profiles of filovirus GPΔmuc trimers and SApNPs were measured using Octet RED96

(FortéBio, Pall Life Sciences) against a panel of antibodies, including five pan-ebolavirus NAbs

and two marburgvirus NAbs, all 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 all antigens,

5 μg/ml antibody in 1× kinetic buffer was loaded onto the surface of anti-human Fc Capture

Biosensors (AHC) for 300 s. Next, a 2-fold concentration gradient of antigen, starting at 500 nM

for trimers and 10 nM for SApNPs, was used in a dilution series of six. A 60-s biosensor baseline

step was applied before the analysis of association of the antibody on the biosensor to the antigen

in solution for 200 s. 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 (version 8.1). Peak

signals at the highest antigen concentration were summarized in a matrix and color-coded

accordingly to allow comparisons between different constructs. Experimental data for each

antigen-antibody pair were fitted with the binding equations describing a 1:1 interaction, and three

datasets that showed the optimal fitting were then grouped to determine the K_{on} and K_D values.

The antibody-antigen binding curve was plotted using GraphPad Prism 10.3.1 software.

Enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA)

Costar 96-well, high-binding, flat-bottom, half-area plates (Corning) were first coated with 50 µl

of PBS containing 0.1 µg of the appropriate filovirus GPΔmuc trimer or SApNP antigen protein.

The plates were incubated overnight at 4 °C and then washed five times with PBST wash buffer

containing PBS and 0.05% (v/v) Tween 20. Each well was then blocked for 1 h at RT with 150 µl

of blocking buffer consisting of 4% w/v blotting-grade blocker (Bio-Rad) in PBS. Next, the plates

washed five times with PBST wash buffer. To evaluate antibody binding to the coating antigens,

antibodies were diluted in blocking buffer to a maximum concentration of 10 µg/ml followed by

a 10-fold dilution series. For each antibody dilution, a total volume of 50 µl was added to the

appropriate wells. For serum sample analysis, mouse sera were diluted 40-fold in blocking buffer

and subjected to a 10-fold dilution series. For each sample dilution, a total volume of 50 µl was

added to the wells. Each plate was incubated for 1 h at room temperature and then washed five

times with PBST wash buffer. For secondary antibody binding, a 1:5000 dilution of goat anti-

human IgG antibody (Jackson ImmunoResearch Laboratories) or for mouse sample analysis, a

1:3000 dilution of horseradish peroxidase (HRP)-conjugated goat anti-mouse IgG antibody

(Jackson ImmunoResearch Laboratories) was prepared in PBST wash buffer, with 50 µl of diluted

secondary antibody added to each well. The plates were incubated for 1 h at room temperature and

then washed six times with PBST wash buffer. Lastly, the wells were developed with 50 µl of

3,3',5,5'-tetramethylbenzidine (Life Sciences) for 3-5 min before the reaction was stopped with

50 µl of 2 N sulfuric acid. The plates were then immediately read on a BioTek Synergy plate reader

at a wavelength of 450 nm. EC_{50} values were then calculated from full curves using GraphPad

Prism 10.3.1 software. When OD_{450} absorbance values were lower than 0.5, the EC_{50} values were

set to 10 µg/ml in **Figs. 1g**, **3h**, **4c** and **4h** to facilitate EC_{50} plotting and comparison.

Protein crystallization and data collection

EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 was transiently expressed in HEK293S cells using the same procedure as

in HEK293F cells, followed by mAb100 and SEC purification. The mAb100/SEC-purified EBOV

GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer at a 9.3 mg/ml concentration was used for crystallization experiments

following the sitting drop vapor diffusion method using an automated CrystalMation robotic

system (Rigaku) at 20°C at The Scripps Research Institute (*155*). The reservoir solution consisted

of 12% PEG-6000 (*v/v*) and 0.1 M sodium citrate-citric acid (pH 4.51). Diffraction-quality crystals

were obtained after 2 weeks of incubation at 20°C. The crystal was cryoprotected with a well

solution containing 25% (*v/v*) ethylene glycol, mounted on a nylon loop, and flash cooled in liquid

nitrogen. Diffraction data were collected at Stanford Synchrotron Radiation Lightsource (SSRL)

beamline 12-1 and processed with HKL-2000 (*156*). Diffraction data were indexed in P321.

Structure determination and refinement

The crystal structure of EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 was determined by molecular replacement using

Phaser-MR from Phenix (version 1.19.2-4158) with the coordinates of the previously reported

EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^2 structure (PDB ID: 7JPH) (*95*) as a search model. Polypeptide chains

were manually adjusted into electron density using Coot (*157*), refined with phenix-refine (*158*),

and validated using the wwPDB Validation System (*159*). Carbohydrates were further validated

using Privateer in CCP4i (*160*) before and after refinement. The final data processing and

refinement statistics are described in **Table S1**. All images for crystal structures shown in the

figures were generated using PyMOL 2.3.4 software. Notably, due to the weak electron density,

structural model was not built for residues K633-D637 in the GP2 stalk region of EBOV GPΔmuc-

WL^{2}P^4, as well as the C-terminal foldon trimerization motif, leaving an apparent gap in crystal

packing when visualizing the GP structure within the electron density map.

Negative-stain electron microscopy (nsEM)

The nsEM analysis of filovirus GPΔmuc trimers, their antibody-bound complexes, and GPΔmuc-

presenting SApNPs, was performed by the Core Microscopy Facility at The Scripps Research

Institute. Briefly, samples were prepared at a concentration of 0.008 and 0.01 mg/ml, respectively.

Carbon-coated copper grids (400 mesh) were glow-discharged, and 8 μl of each sample was then

adsorbed for 2 min. Next, excess samples were removed, and grids were negatively stained with

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

Trimer samples were analyzed at 120 kV with a Talos L120C transmission electron microscope

(Thermo Fisher), and images were acquired using a CETA 16 M CMOS camera under 73,000×

magnification at a resolution of 1.93 Å/pixel and defocus of 0.5-2 μm. For SApNP samples, the

images were collected under 52,000× magnification. The resulting pixel size at the specimen plane

was 2.05 Å, and the defocus was set to −1.50 μm. Computational analysis of the images was

performed using the high-performance computing core facility at The Scripps Research Institute.

Briefly, the nsEM images were converted to the MRC format by EMAN2 (*161*) for further

processing by CryoSPARC 4.3.0 (*119*). Micrographs were contrast-transfer function (CTF)-

corrected by patch CTF estimation. Particles were selected using a Blob/template picker and later

extracted with a box size of 130 pixels for 2D classification, with 50 and 230 Å used as the

minimum and maximum particle sizes in blob picking. 3D models were generated by *ab initio*

reconstruction and optimized by heterogeneous and homogeneous refinement. All nsEM and fitted

structure images were generated by UCSF Chimera (*162*) and Chimera X (*163-165*).

Cryo-electron microscopy (cryo-EM) for SUDV GP-CA45 complexes

The SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 construct was expressed in HEK293F cells and purified using an

ADI-15878 column. The eluate was then mixed with CA45 Fab at a 1:1.5 molar ratio. The mixture

was further purified using a Superose 6 Increase 10/300 GL column and the complex fractions

were pooled. Cryo-EM grid preparation and image collection were performed at the UC San Diego

Cryo-EM Facility. Vitrification was carried out using a Vitrobot Mark IV (FEI) equilibrated to 4ºC

and 100% humidity. The Quantifoil Cu 1.2/1.3 300 grid was plasma cleaned by Solarus II (Gatan)

with a mixture of Ar/O$_2$ for 10 s. After plasma cleaning, the grid was blotted on one side with 3.5

µl of the SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4/CA45 Fab complex at a concentration of 0.55 mg/ml for 4 s and

then frozen in liquid ethane. The frozen grid was stored in liquid nitrogen until image collection.

Cryo-EM data were collected on a Krios G4 (Thermo Fisher) operated at 200 keV with a Falcon

4 camera and Selectris-X energy filter (Thermo Fisher). Automated data collection was performed

using Smart EPU software (Thermo Fisher). Images were collected under 130,000× magnification,

resulting in a pixel size of 0.89 Å, with the defocus range set between -1 and -2.5 µm. All datasets

were processed by CryoSPARC 3.3 software. Movie frames were aligned using "Patch Motion

Correction," and CTF estimations were performed by "Patch CTF Estimation" (**Fig. S2d**). Particle

picking was performed by "Blob Picking" with the particle size set to 100-350 Å, and particles

were extracted using a box size of 360 pixels. After 2D classification, the selected classes were

used as an input for "Template Picking" and extracted using a box size of 360 pixels. After multiple

2D classifications, 249,139 particles were selected for building 3D volume models. The function

"Ab-Initio Reconstruction" in CryoSPARC was used to generate three starting reference models

for "Heterologous Refinement". The particles derived from the largest cluster (163,924 particles)

were used for "Homogeneous Refinement" using a focusing mask and C3 symmetry. The refined

model was then subjected to "3D Classification," resulting in 10 models, of which the cluster

associated with the most complete model (41,233 particles) was used for another around of "Ab-

Initio Reconstruction." The model obtained from this smaller set was further optimized using

"Non-uniform Refinement" and "Local Refinement" using 163,924 particles and a focusing mask.

The final GSFSC resolution was 3.13 Å, and the final structural model was built using the crystal

structures of EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^2 (PDB ID: 7JPH) (*95*) and EBOV GPΔmuc-bound CA45 Fab

(PDB ID: 6EAY) (*113*) as templates. After fitting into the density map using Chimera X (*163-*

165), the resulting complex underwent real-space refinement in Phenix (*158*), manual refinement

by Coot (*157*), and again real-space refinement in Phenix (*158*). Statistical details of the final cryo-

EM structure are shown in **Table S2**, with the coordinates and 3D density map deposited in Protein

Data Bank (PDB) and Electron Microscopy Data Bank (EMDB), respectively.

Rational design of trimer-presenting I3-01v9b/c SApNP scaffolds

Previously, we redesigned the I3-01v9 scaffold to optimize the NP display of monomeric antigens

(*120*). In the resulting I3-01v9a SApNP, the *N*-terminal helix was extended so that its first residue

is just above the NP surface. Here, we redesigned the I3-01v9a scaffold to optimize the NP display

of trimeric antigens with a long coiled-coil stalk (**Fig. S3**). First, the 11-aa *N*-terminal helix in I3-

01v9a was truncated to 7 aa. Then, a 13-aa helix-turn fragment (9-aa helix + 4-aa turn, all alanine)

was fused to the 7-aa *N*-terminal helix of the modified I3-01v9a such that the new 9-aa *N*-terminal

helix from the fused fragment packed within the groove of two helices that are part of the I3-01

core. The 9-aa helix in this fragment was from the structure of a human transcription factor (PDB

ID: 6G6L). Next, four mutations were introduced to the I3-01 core helices to remove their steric

clashes with the new *N*-terminal helix. Iterative modular optimization (IMO) (*166*) was used to

relax the helix-turn backbone, which was then subjected to the CONCOORD structure sampling

program (*167*) to generate 1000 slightly perturbed backbone conformations. An ensemble-based

protein design program (*86, 145*) was used to predict the optimal sequence for the 9-aa *N*-terminal

helix within the fragment using Cα and Cβ-based RAPDF (*168*) scoring functions. The 4-aa turn

was set to "GSGS" during the protein design process. The I3-01v9b design was selected by

combining data from both scoring functions, and a second design I3-01v9c was obtained by

mutating the turn from "GSGS" to "GPPS" to increase its rigidity. An I3-01v9b structural model

was built after further backbone relaxation using IMO with a minimum perturbation angle. The

distance between the *N*-termini of the I3-01v9b/c trimer (I3-01v9b/c-T) model was 43.9 Å. EBOV

GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-I3-01v9b/c-T constructs (**Fig. S3b**) were designed for experimental validation

with transient expression in HEK293F cells followed by structural validation by nsEM.

Dynamic Light Scattering (DLS)

Particle size distributions of ebolavirus GPΔmuc trimer-presenting SApNPs were obtained using

a Zetasizer Ultra instrument (Malvern). Briefly, ADI-15878/SEC-purified SApNPs produced from

ExpiCHO cells were diluted to 0.2 mg/ml in 1× PBS buffer, after which 30 μl of the prepared

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

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

particle size analyzer using Ultra instrument software. The resulting particle size distribution was

plotted using GraphPad Prism 10.3.1 software.

Mouse immunization and sample collection

We utilized similar mouse immunization protocols from our previous studies (*108, 120, 121*). The

Association for the Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care (AAALAC)

guidelines were followed throughout all animal experiments. The animal protocols were approved

by the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) of The Scripps Research Institute.

Six-to-8-week-old female BALB/c mice were purchased from The Jackson Laboratory and housed

in ventilated cages in environmentally controlled rooms at 20°C with 50% humidity under a 12 h/12 h light-dark cycle. In the mechanistic analysis of vaccine transport and induced immune responses in lymph nodes, mice were intradermally inoculated via four footpads using a 29-gauge insulin needle under 3% isoflurane anesthesia with oxygen. The injection dose was 80 µl of antigen and AP adjuvant mix containing 40 µg of vaccine antigen per mouse or 10 µg per footpad. In the first immunogenicity study, mice were injected at weeks 0, 3, 9, and 15, with an extended interval of 6 weeks between the second and third doses and third and fourth doses, via the intraperitoneal (i.p.) route. In the second immunogenicity study, our standard screening regimen (*108, 120, 121, 148*) was used with mice injected at weeks 0, 3, 6, and 9 with an interval of 3 weeks. The injecting dose was 200 µl of antigen/adjuvant mix containing 10 µg of vaccine antigen and 100 µl of adjuvant including 40 µg/50 µl of CpG (oligonucleotide 1826, a TLR9 agonist from InvivoGen) adsorbed onto 50 µl of AH (InvivoGen). Blood samples were collected 2 weeks after each injection through the retro-orbital sinus using heparinized capillary tubes. Samples were spun at 12000 rpm for 10 min to separate serum (top layer) and the rest of the whole blood layer. Upon heat inactivation at 56°C for 30 min, serum was spun at 12000 rpm for 10 min to remove precipitates. For the last timepoint, 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 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 1 ml of freezing media (10% dimethyl sulfoxide [DMSO]/90% fetal calf serum [FCS]). Two weeks after the last bleed, spleens were harvested and ground against a 70-µm cell strainer (BD Falcon) to release splenocytes into a cell suspension. Splenocytes were centrifuged, washed in PBS, treated with 5 ml of ACK lysing

buffer (Lonza), and frozen with 3 ml of freezing media (10% DMSO/90% FCS). Serum samples

from week 11 in the second study were purified using a CaptureSelect™ IgG-Fc (Multispecies)

Affinity Matrix (Thermo Scientific) following the manufacturer's instructions. Purified IgG from

individual mice was analyzed in filovirus-pp assays to determine vaccine-induced NAb responses.

Histology, immunostaining, and imaging for lymph node tissues

To study vaccine distribution, trafficking, retention, cellular interaction, and GC reactions in

sentinel lymph nodes, SUDV GPΔmuc trimer and SApNPs (E2p and I3-01v9b) adjuvanted with

AP were intradermally injected into four mouse footpads. A similar protocol was reported in our

previous studies (*108, 120, 121*). In brief, the injection dose consisted of 80 μl of antigen and

adjuvant mix that contained 40 μg of filovirus antigen (10 μg/footpad, 40 μg/mouse). Mice were

euthanized at 2 h to 8 weeks after a single-dose injection. Fresh sentinel lymph nodes were

collected and merged into the frozen section compound (VWR International, catalog no. 95057-

838). Lymph node sample molds were merged into liquid nitrogen and stored at -80°C before

shipping to The Centre for Phenogenomics (Toronto, Canada). Lymph node tissues were cut into

8 μm thick sections using a cryostat (Cryostar NX70). The primary antibody was applied on lymph

node sections and incubated overnight at 4 °C. After washing with TBS containing 0.1% Tween-

20 (TBST), biotin or fluorophore-conjugated secondary antibodies were utilized on the sections

and tissue samples were incubated at 25 °C for 1 h. Lymph node sections were stained with NAbs

ADI-15878 (*111*), ADI-15946 (*114*), CA45 (*113*), or mAb100 (*126*) (1:100) 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 ImmPACT diaminobenzidine (DAB; Vector, catalog no. SK-4105).

To study interactions between SUDV GPΔmuc immunogens and cellular components in

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). 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). 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). SUDV GPΔmuc trimer and SApNP-induced GC reactions were assessed by

immunohistological study. GC B cells were stained using rat anti-GL7 antibody (FITC; BioLegend,

catalog no. 144604, 1:250). T_{fh} cells were 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 were 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). Cell nuclei were stained using 4',6-

diamidino-2-phenylindole (DAPI; Sigma-Aldrich, catalog no. D9542, 100 ng/ml).

The stained lymph node tissues were scanned using an Olympus VS-120 slide scanner with

a Hamamatsu ORCA-R2 C10600 digital camera. The transport of SUDV GPΔmuc trimer and

SApNP immunogens and their induced GCs in lymph nodes were quantified through bright-field

and fluorescent images using ImageJ software (*169*).

Electron microscopy analysis of protein nanoparticles in lymph node tissues

To assess interactions between SUDV GPΔmuc immunogens and stromal and immune cells in

lymph nodes, TEM analysis was conducted by the Core Microscopy Facility at The Scripps

Research Institute (TSRI). The same protocol used for lymph node isolation, processing, and

analysis was reported in our previous studies (*108, 121*). To visualize AP-adjuvanted SUDV

GPΔmuc SApNPs (E2p and I3-01v9b) interacting with FDCs and phagocytic cells in lymph node

tissues using TEM, mice were administered with 200 μl of antigen/adjuvant mix containing 100

μg of SUDV immunogen and 100 μl of AP adjuvant into two hind footpads or 50 μg per footpad.

Fresh popliteal lymph nodes were collected 2, 12, and 48 h after a single-dose injection. Lymph

node tissues were then bisected and immersed in oxygenated 2.5% glutaraldehyde and 4%

paraformaldehyde in 0.1 M sodium cacodylate buffer (pH 7.4) fixative overnight at 4°C. Next,

lymph node samples were fixed and stained with 0.5% uranyl acetate overnight at 4°C. Lymph

node tissues were infiltrated with LX-112 (Ladd) epoxy resin and polymerized at 60 °C. Ultrathin

tissue slices (70 nm) were sectioned and placed on copper grids for TEM imaging. Tissue sections

were imaged at 80 kV with a Talos L120C transmission electron microscope (Thermo Fisher).

TEM images were acquired with a CETA 16M CMOS camera for further analysis.

Lymph node disaggregation, cell staining, and flow cytometry

To assess vaccine-induced humoral immune responses, the frequency and number of GC B cells

(GL7$^+$B220$^+$) and T$_{fh}$ cells (CD3$^+$CD4$^+$CXCR5$^+$PD-1$^+$) were used to quantify GC reactions by

flow cytometry (**Fig. S9**). The same protocol used for lymph node tissue collection, processing,

and analysis was reported in our previous studies (*108, 120, 121*). In brief, mice were administered

with 80 μl of antigen/adjuvant mix containing 40 μg of vaccine immunogen (10 μg/injection,

40 μg/mouse) into four footpads. The mice were euthanized 2, 5, and 8 weeks after a single-dose

injection or 2 and 5 weeks after the boost. Fresh sentinel lymph nodes were isolated and

immediately processed through mechanical disaggregation. Lymph node tissues were then merged

in enzyme digestion solution. Upon incubation at 37°C for 30 min on a rotator, lymph node cells

were filtered through a 70 μm cell strainer to achieve a single cell suspension. Anti-CD16/32

antibody (BioLegend, catalog no. 101302, 1:50) was added to the cell samples to block the

nonspecific binding of Fc receptors and kept on ice for 30 min. Next, cells were transferred to 96-

well V-shaped-bottom microplates with preprepared cocktail antibodies that included Zombie NIR

live/dead stain (BioLegend, catalog no. 423106, 1:100), Brilliant Violet 510 anti-mouse/human

CD45R/B220 antibody (BioLegend, catalog no. 103247, 1:300), FITC anti-mouse CD3 antibody

(BioLegend, catalog no. 100204, 1:300), Alexa Fluor 700 anti-mouse CD4 antibody (BioLegend,

catalog no. 100536, 1:300), PE anti-mouse/human GL7 antibody (BioLegend, catalog no. 144608,

1:500), Brilliant Violet 605 anti-mouse CD95 (Fas) antibody (BioLegend, catalog no. 152612,

1:500), Brilliant Violet 421 anti-mouse CD185 (CXCR5) antibody (BioLegend, catalog no.

145511, 1:500), and PE/Cyanine7 anti-mouse CD279 (PD-1) antibody (BioLegend, catalog no.

135216, 1:500). Cells were mixed with cocktail antibodies on ice for 30 min and spun down at 400

$\times g$ for 10 min. Cells were then fixed with 1.6% paraformaldehyde (Thermo Fisher Scientific,

catalog no. 28906) in Hank's Balanced Salt Solution (HBSS) on ice for 30 min. Next, cells were

spun down at $400 \times g$ for 10 min and 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.

Pseudovirus production and neutralization assays

A filovirus-pseudoparticle (pp) neutralization assay (*95*) was performed to assess the neutralizing

activity of vaccine-induced mouse sera and purified mouse IgG. Filovirus-pps were generated by

the co-transfection of HEK293T cells with envelope-deficient HIV-1 pNL4-3.lucR⁻E⁻ plasmid

(NIH AIDS reagent program: https://www.aidsreagent.org/) and an expression plasmid encoding

the GP gene of an EBOV Makona (GenBank accession no. KJ660346), SUDV Gulu (GenBank

accession no. AY729654), BDBV Uganda (GenBank accession no. KR063673), or MARV

Angola (GenBank accession no. DQ447653) strain at a 4:1 ratio using a Lipofectamine 3000

transfection protocol (Thermo Fisher). After 72 h, pseudoviruses were collected from the

supernatant by centrifugation at $3724 \times g$ for 10 min, aliquoted, and stored at -80°C until use. For

pseudovirus neutralization assays, mouse sera starting at a dilution of 100× or purified IgG at a

starting concentration of 300 μg/ml were serially diluted 3-fold and incubated with pseudoviruses

at 37°C for 1 h in white solid-bottom 96-half-well plates (Corning). Next, 0.8×10^4 Huh-7 cells

were added to each well and the plates were incubated at 37°C for 60-72 h. After incubation, the

supernatant was removed, and cells were lysed. Luciferase reporter gene expression was quantified

through the addition of Bright-Glo Luciferase substrate (Promega) according to the manufacturer's

instructions. Luciferase activity in relative light units (RLU) was measured on a BioTek microplate

reader with Gen 5 software. Values from experimental wells were compared against virus-

containing wells, with background luminescence from a series of uninfected wells subtracted from

both. Dose-response neutralization curves were then fit by nonlinear regression with constraints

(0-100%) in GraphPad Prism 10.3.1 software, from which IC_{50} and ID_{50} were calculated. The same

protocols were used to produce and assay pseudoparticles displaying the envelope glycoprotein of

lymphocytic choriomeningitis virus (LCMV-pps) as a negative control in IgG neutralization.

Statistical analysis

Data were collected from $n = 8$ mice per group in the immunization studies and $n = 3$-5 mice per

group in the mechanistic study. All ELISA and pseudovirus neutralization assays were performed

in duplicate. Different vaccine constructs, and adjuvant-formulated filovirus vaccine antigens,

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 Figure Legends

 Fig. 1. Rational design and in vitro characterization of ebolavirus GP trimers. (a) Schematic

 representation of GP construct design, including the MLD deletion (Δmuc) between G314 to N463,

 P^2 (T577P) or P^4 (L579P) mutation in HR1c, W615L mutation at the neck of the HR2 stalk, and

 C-terminal extension from D632 to D637. IFL: internal fusion loop. **(b)** Schematic representation

 of an ebolavirus GP trimer bound to NAb ADI-15878 (left) and SEC profiles of six ebolavirus

 GPΔmuc constructs following transient expression in 25 ml of ExpiCHO cells and IAC

 purification using an ADI-15878 column (right). Two major SEC peaks, aggregation (A) and

 trimer (T), are marked on the profile. **(c)** BN-PAGE of six ADI-15878/SEC-purified ebolaviruses

 GPΔmuc trimers. The gel bands are consistent with the expected trimer size and molecular weight.

 (d) DSC thermograms of six ADI-15878/SEC-purified ebolaviruses GPΔmuc trimers. The

 experimental data and Gaussian fitting are shown as black dots and red lines, respectively. Key

 parameters, such as thermal denaturation midpoint (T_m or T_{m1} and T_{m2}), onset temperature (T_{onset}),

 and half width of the peak ($\Delta T_{1/2}$) are labeled on the thermogram. **(e)** Site-specific glycan profiles

 for ADI-15878/SEC-purified EBOV, SUDV, and BDBV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimers. Glycan

 compositions are grouped into four types, including complex (solid pink), hybrid (pink lines),

 oligomannose (solid green), and unoccupied (solid gray). Glycan sites that could not be determined

 are denoted as "N.D." Sites that are not present are denoted as "N.P." **(f)** nsEM-derived 3D

 reconstructions of EBOV, SUDV, and BDBV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimers and their complexes with

 NAb ADI-15878. Crystal structures of EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^2 (PDB ID: 7JPH) and ADI-15878

 (PDB ID: 6DZN) were used in the density fitting, with GP1, GP2, and ADI-15878 Fab in the

 resulting molecular model colored in cyan, green, and pink, respectively. **(e)** ELISA-derived EC_{50}

 (μg/ml) values of six ebolaviruses GPΔmuc trimers binding to four pan-ebolavirus NAbs and a

marburgvirus NAb, MR-78. If absorbance at 450 nm is less than 0.5 at the starting and highest

concentration (10 μg/ml), then the antigen has negligible binding to the tested antibody, and the

EC_{50} value is set to 10 μg/ml. (**f**) BLI profiles of six ebolaviruses GPΔmuc trimers binding to the

same NAbs. Sensorgrams were obtained from an Octet RED96 instrument using an antigen

titration series of six concentrations (starting at 600 nM followed by 2-fold dilutions) and are

shown in **Fig. S1i**. Peak values at the highest concentration are shown in a matrix, in which cells

are colored in green (weak binding) to red (strong binding).

Fig. 2. Structural characterization of an unliganded EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer and a

SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer in complex with NAb CA45. (**a**) Left: crystal structure of a

stabilized EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer determined at a resolution of 3.2 Å, with GP1 shown in

cyan, glycan cap shown in gray, IFL shown in pink, and GP2 shown in gold. Structural details

could not be determined for regions R200-P209, K294-I301, and C-terminus (T634-D637). Right:

comparative analysis of the HR1c bend and its local structure for three rationally designed EBOV

GPΔmuc constructs bearing the WL^2 mutation (PDB ID: 7JPI), WL^{2}P^2 mutation (PDB ID: 7JPH),

and WL^{2}P^4 mutation. Sidechains are shown for amino acids that form cross-protomer interactions,

including L95, R130, L573, and T576. A cutoff of 3.3 Å is used to define the donor-acceptor

distance within a hydrogen bond. (**b**) Cryo-EM-derived 3D reconstruction of a SUDV GPΔmuc-

WL^{2}P^4 trimer in complex with CA45 Fab determined at 3.13 Å, with GP1 shown in orange, GP2

shown in green, CA45 heavy chain shown in blue, and CA45 light chain shown in pink. The glycan

cap and HR2 stalk are missing in the density map at this resolution and can only be seen partially

when the resolution is relaxed beyond 4.0 Å, as shown in **Fig. S2e**. (**c**) Ribbon representation of

the cryo-EM structure of the SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer in complex with CA45 Fab. The same

color-coding scheme is adopted for GP1, GP2, and CA45 heavy and light chains. Atomic details

of the glycan cap and HR2 stalk cannot be reliably resolved due to low resolution of the density

map for these regions. The left panel shows atomic details of hydrogen bonds and salt bridges

between SUDV GPΔmuc and NAb CA45 heavy chain (top) and light chain (bottom), whereas the

right panel overlaps the HR1c bend of SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 with that of BDBV GPΔmuc (cryo-

EM structure, top) and that of EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 (crystal structure, bottom).

Fig. 3. Rational design and in vitro characterization of ebolaviruses GP-presenting SApNPs.

(**a**) Rational design of a 60-mer SApNP for the optimal surface display of trimeric antigens with a

narrow stalk. Twenty I3-01v9a trimers assemble into an I3-01v9a SApNP (left), with the N-termini

forming a triangle of 50.5 Å (middle). Using computational design, the *N*-terminus of I3-01v9a

was extended by engineering a helix that packs against the protein core with the first residue

forming a triangle of 12.9 Å, resulting in I3-01v9b/c. (**b**) nsEM analysis of EBOV GPΔmuc-

WL^{2}P^4-I3-01v9b-T, in which I3-01v9b-T is a trimeric version of I3-01v9b with mutations to

interrupt the particle-forming interface. Top: examples of 2D classification images; Bottom: side

and top views of nsEM-derived 3D model. (**c**) Schematic representation of EBOV GPΔmuc-

WL^{2}P^4-presenting I3-01v9b/c SApNP. The calculated particle size is 49.1 nm measured for GP1-

T269. (**d**) SEC profiles of six ebolavirus GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-presenting SApNPs following transient

expression in ExpiCHO cells and IAC purification using an ADI-15878 column. The NP peak is

labeled on the SEC profile, along with partially assembled NP (pNP) and trimer (T) peaks. (**e**)

nsEM images of six SEC-purified ebolaviruses of GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-presenting SApNPs. The scale

(50 nm) is labeled on the nsEM images. (**f**) Particle size distribution of six SEC-purified ebolavirus

GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-presenting SApNPs. The hydrodynamic diameter (D$_h$) was measured by DLS.

Three measurements are reported for each SUDV GPΔmuc SApNP, with the particle size range

labeled on the plot. (**g**) Site-specific glycan profile of SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-presenting E2p and

I3-01v9b SApNPs, with the same labeling scheme of glycan types as in **Fig. 1e**. (**h**) ELISA-derived EC$_{50}$ (µg/ml) values of six ebolaviruses GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-presenting SApNPs binding to five NAbs, with the same cutoff (0.5) used for absorbance at 450 nm as in **Fig. 1f**. (**i**) BLI profiles of six ebolaviruses GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-presenting SApNPs binding to five NAbs. Sensorgrams were obtained using the same protocol as in **Fig. 1g** and are shown in **Fig. S3k**. Peak values at the highest concentration are shown in a matrix, with the same color-coding as in **Fig. 1g**.

Fig. 4. Glycan modification of EBOV and SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimers and SApNPs. (a) SEC profiles of EBOV and SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 constructs following transient expression in HEK293F cells and IAC purification using an ADI-15878 column, each construct with two glycan modifications: kifunensine (Kif) treatment and kifunensine plus endo H (Kif/endo H) treatment. While HEK293F expression in the presence of Kif produces oligomannose-type glycans, further treatment with endo H results in a monolayer of GlcNAc cores. The SEC peak around 14.7 ml corresponds to endo H. (**b**) DSC thermograms of ADI-15878/SEC-purified EBOV and SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimers after glycan treatment. The experimental data and Gaussian fitting are shown as black dots and red lines, respectively. Key parameters, such as thermal denaturation midpoint (T$_m$ or T$_{m1}$ and T$_{m2}$), onset temperature (T$_{onset}$), and half width of the peak (ΔT$_{1/2}$) are labeled on the thermogram. (**c**) ELISA-derived EC$_{50}$ (µg/ml) values of glycan-modified EBOV and SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimers binding to five NAbs, with the same cutoff (0.5) used for absorbance at 450 nm as in **Fig. 1f**. (**d**) BLI profiles of glycan-modified EBOV and SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimers binding to five NAbs. Sensorgrams were obtained using the same protocol as in **Fig. 1g** and are shown in **Fig. S4c**. Peak values at the highest concentration are shown in a matrix, with the same color-coding as in **Fig. 1g**. (**e**) SEC profiles (top) and nsEM images (bottom) of glycan-modified EBOV and SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-presenting SApNPs.

Glycan modification was performed as described in **Fig. 4a**, with the results for EBOV GPΔmuc

I3-01v9b not shown due to its low expression yield. The scale (50 nm) is labeled on the nsEM

images. (**f**) Site-specific glycan profile of SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-presenting E2p and I3-01v9b

SApNPs after kifunensine treatment, with the same glycan type labeling as in **Fig. 1e**. (**g**) ELISA-

derived EC$_{50}$ (µg/ml) values of glycan-modified SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-presenting E2p and I3-

01v9b SApNPs binding to five NAbs, as in **Fig. 1f**. (**h**) BLI profiles of glycan-modified SUDV

GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-presenting E2p and I3-01v9b SApNPs binding to five NAbs. Sensorgrams were

obtained using the same protocol as in **Fig. 1g** and are shown in **Fig. S4h**. Peak values at the

highest concentration are shown in a matrix, with the same color-coding as in **Fig. 1g**.

Fig. 5. Rational design and in vitro characterization of marburgvirus GP trimers. (**a**)

Schematic representation of GP construct design, including MLD deletion (Δmuc) between T256

to T424, P^2 (T578P) or P^4 (E580P) mutation in HR1c, and double mutation E631F/Q632V at the

C-terminus, all based on the RAVV backbone. (**b**) SEC profiles of four RAVV GP constructs

following transient expression in 16 ml of ExpiCHO cells and Nickel purification. Aggregation

(A), trimer (T), and GP subunit (S) peaks are marked on the SEC profile. (**c**) BN-PAGE of RAVV

GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT trimer fractions from SEC purification. (**d**) DSC thermograms of Nickel/SEC-

purified RAVV GPΔmuc-P^2-foldon and GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT-foldon trimers. The experimental data and

Gaussian fitting are shown as black dots and red lines, respectively. Thermal denaturation midpoint

(T$_{m1}$, T$_{m2}$, and T$_{m3}$) values are labeled. (**e**) nsEM analysis of RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT-foldon/MR-

78 Fab complex. Left: crystal structure (PDB ID: 5UQY) of RAVV GPΔmuc/MR-78 Fab complex

fitted into the nsEM density map (left). Right: nsEM-derived 3D density map of RAVV

GPΔmuc/MR-78 Fab complex (EMDB: 6233, shown in orange surface) overlaid with the nsEM

density map. (**f**) Site-specific glycan profile of RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT trimer, with the same

glycan type labeling as in **Fig. 1e**. (**g**) ELISA-derived EC_{50} (µg/ml) values of RAVV GPΔmuc-P^2

and GPΔmuc-P^2CT trimer binding to marburgvirus NAbs MR-78 and MR-191, with the same

cutoff (0.5) used for absorbance at 450 nm as in **Fig. 1f**. (**h**) BLI profiles of RAVV GPΔmuc-P^2

and GPΔmuc-P^2CT trimer binding to marburgvirus NAbs MR-78 and MR-191. Sensorgrams were

obtained using the same protocol as in **Fig. 1g** and are shown in **Fig. S5h**. Peak values at the

highest concentration are shown in a matrix, with the same color-coding as in **Fig. 1g**.

Fig. 6. Retention of SUDV GPΔmuc-presenting SApNPs in lymph node follicles. Distribution

of (**a**) E2p and (**b**) I3-01v9b SApNPs displaying SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^2P^4 trimers in a lymph node

12 h after a single-dose injection (10 µg/injection, 40 µg/mouse, left). A pan-ebolavirus NAb,

CA45, was used to stain the sentinel lymph node tissue sections. Right: schematic illustration of

SUDV SApNP accumulation in lymph node follicles. (**c**) Trafficking and retention of the SUDV

GPΔmuc trimer and SApNPs in lymph node follicles 2 h to 8 weeks after a single-dose injection.

Scale bar = 50 µm for each image. (**d**) Time-dependent curve and (**e**) Area under the curve (AUC)

of the CA45-stained area in immunohistological images of SUDV vaccine retention in lymph node

follicles over 8 weeks. (**f**) Quantification of SUDV vaccine accumulation in lymph node follicles

48 h after a single-dose injection. Data were collected from more than 10 lymph node follicles (*n*

= 3-5 mice/group). (**g**) Interaction of SUDV GPΔmuc trimer and trimer-presenting SApNPs with

FDC networks in lymph node follicles 48 h after a single-dose injection. Both E2p and I3-01v9b

SApNPs colocalized with FDC networks. Immunofluorescent images are pseudo-color-coded

(CD21$^+$, green; CD169$^+$, red; CA45, white). Scale bars = 500 and 100 µm for a complete lymph

node and the enlarged image of a follicle, respectively. The data points are expressed as the mean

± SEM for (d) and SD for (e and f). The data were analyzed using one-way ANOVA followed by

Tukey's multiple comparison *post hoc* test. **$p < 0.01$, ****$p < 0.0001$.

Fig. 7. Interaction of SUDV GPΔmuc-presenting SApNPs with FDCs and phagocytic cells in lymph nodes. (a-c) TEM images of (**a**) E2p SApNPs (yellow arrows) and (**b, c**) I3-01v9b SApNPs presenting SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimers aligned on FDC dendrites in lymph node follicles (**a, b**) 12 h and (**c**) 48 h after a single-dose injection (2 footpads, 50 µg/footpad). The administered dose was 200 µl of antigen/aluminum phosphate (AP) adjuvant mix containing 100 µg of SApNP and 100 µl of AP adjuvant into two hind footpads. Fresh popliteal lymph nodes were collected. No AP adjuvant was observed on FDC dendrites. (**d, e**) TEM images of (**d**) E2p and (**e**) I3-01v9b SApNPs (yellow arrows) presenting SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimers observed on the surface and inside endolysosomes of phagocytic cells 12 h after a single-dose injection. (**f**) TEM images of AP adjuvant (green arrows) aggregated in the extracellular matrix (ECM) 2 h after the injection. (**g**) TEM images of Sudan GPΔmuc-presenting I3-01v9b SApNPs and AP adjuvants observed inside endolysosomes of phagocytic cells 48 h after the injection.

Fig. 8. Induction of germinal center reactions by SUDV GPΔmuc-presenting SApNPs in lymph nodes. (**a**) Top: representative immunofluorescent images of germinal centers (GCs) induced by the SUDV GPΔmuc-presenting SApNP vaccine 2 weeks after a single-dose injection (10 µg/injection, 40 µg/mouse). The administered dose was 80 µl of antigen/aluminum phosphate (AP) adjuvant mix. Bottom: robust GC formation with well-organized light zone (LZ) and dark zone (DZ) compartments in lymph node follicles. GC B cells (GL7$^+$, red) attached to FDCs (CD21$^+$, green) and T_{fh} cells located in LZ of GCs. Scale bars = 500 and 100 µm for a complete lymph node and the enlarged image of a follicle, respectively. (**b**, **c**) Assessment of GCs in immunofluorescent images 2, 5, and 8 weeks after a single-dose injection or 2 and 5 weeks after the boost, which occurred 3 weeks after the prime (*n* = 5 mice/group). The GC/FDC ratio and GC size were measured and plotted. (**d**, **e**) Representative GC immunofluorescent images generated by Sudan

GP vaccine constructs at 8 weeks using a single-dose or prime-boost regimen. Scale bar = 50 μm

for an enlarged lymph node follicle. (**f, g**) Quantification of GCs using flow cytometry after single-

dose or prime-boost injections (n = 5 mice/group). Frequency and number of GC B cells and T_{fh}

cells were characterized and plotted. The data points are shown as the mean ± SD. The data were

analyzed using one-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's multiple comparison *post hoc* test for each

timepoint. ns (not significant), *p < 0.05, **p < 0.01, ***p < 0.001, ****p < 0.0001.

Fig. 9. **Antibody responses to rationally designed filovirus vaccines in mice.** (a) Schematic

illustration of the mouse immunization regimen for EBOV, SUDV, and RAVV GPΔmuc vaccines

(n = 8 mice/group). The administered dose was 200 μl of antigen/AH + CpG adjuvant mix

containing 10 μg of immunogen and 100 μl of adjuvant. Mice were immunized at weeks 0, 3, 9

and 15 with an extended interval of 6 weeks between the 2nd and 3rd doses and 3rd and 4th doses

via the intraperitoneal route. (**b-d**) EBOV vaccine-induced binding antibody (bAb) responses

against (**b**) EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0), (**c**) SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0), and (**d**) RAVV

GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT(1TD0). (**e-g**) EBOV vaccine-induced NAb responses against (**e**) EBOV Makona,

(**f**) SUDV Gulu, and (**g**) BDBV Uganda pseudoviruses. (**h-j**) SUDV vaccine-induced bAb

responses against (**h**) SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0), (**i**) EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0), and (**j**)

RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT(1TD0). (**k-m**) SUDV vaccine-induced NAb responses against (**k**) SUDV

Gulu, (**l**) EBOV Makona, and (**m**) BDBV Uganda pseudoviruses. (**n-p**) RAVV vaccine-induced

bAb responses against (**n**) RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT(1TD0), (**o**) EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0), and

(**p**) SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0). (**q**) RAVV vaccine-induced NAb responses against MARV

Angola pseudovirus and pseudotyped ebolaviruses using purified IgG and serum, respectively.

Notably, EC_{50} titers were derived from serum ELISA against coating antigens, with geometric

means labeled on the plots. ID_{50}/IC_{50} titers were derived from pseudovirus neutralization assays,

with geometric means labeled on the plots. The ID_{50}/IC_{50} values were derived by setting %

neutralization to be 0.0-100.0%. Color coding indicates the level of ID_{50} values (green to red: low

to high neutralization). The data points are shown as the mean ± SD. The data were analyzed using

one-way ANOVA, followed by Tukey's multiple comparison *post hoc* test for each timepoint.

Statistical significance is indicated as the following: ns (not significant), *$p < 0.05$, **$p < 0.01$,

***$p < 0.001$, and ****$p < 0.0001$. The schematic illustration of the mouse immunization protocol

was created with BioRender.com.

Fig. 10. Effect of glycan modification on antibody responses elicited by filovirus vaccines.

Schematic illustration of the mouse immunization regimen for glycan-modified EBOV, SUDV,

and RAVV vaccines ($n = 8$ mice/group). The administered dose was 200 μl of antigen/AH + CpG

adjuvant mix containing 10 μg of glycan-modified immunogen and 100 μl of adjuvant. Mice were

injected at weeks 0, 3, 6 and 9 with an interval of 3 weeks between each immunization via the

intraperitoneal route. The immunogenicity of filovirus vaccine antigens was compared between

glycan modifications (expressed in the presence of kifunensine [Kif] *vs*. Kif treatment followed by

glycan trimming using endo H) and wildtype. (**b-d**) Glycan-modified EBOV vaccine-induced bAb

responses against EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0). (**e-g**) Glycan-modified EBOV vaccine-induced

NAb responses against EBOV Makona pseudovirus. (**h-j**) Glycan-modified SUDV vaccine-

induced bAb responses against SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0). (**k-m**) Glycan-modified SUDV

vaccine-induced NAb responses against Gulu pseudovirus. (**n**) Glycan-trimmed RAVV vaccine-

induced bAb responses against RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT(1TD0). (**o**) Glycan-trimmed RAVV

vaccine-induced NAb responses against MARV Angola and pseudotyped ebolaviruses, both using

purified IgG. EC_{50} titers were derived from serum ELISA against coating antigens, with geometric

means labeled on the plots. ID_{50}/IC_{50} titers were derived from the pseudovirus neutralization assays,

with geometric means labeled on the plots. The ID_{50}/IC_{50} values were derived by setting %

neutralization to 0.0-100.0%. Color coding indicates the level of IC_{50} values (green to red: low to

high neutralization). Of note, the immunogenicity data for wildtype EBOV GPΔmuc

trimer/SApNPs, SUDV GPΔmuc trimer, and RAVV GPΔmuc trimer from the prior long-interval

immunization study were included for comparison, for which the boost timepoints (W11 and W17)

were labeled but not used for the statistical analysis. The data points are shown as the mean ± SD.

The data were analyzed using one-way ANOVA, followed by Tukey's multiple comparison *post*

hoc test for each timepoint. Statistical significance is indicated as the following: ns (not

significant), *$p < 0.05$, **$p < 0.01$, ***$p < 0.001$, and ****$p < 0.0001$. The schematic illustration

of the mouse immunization protocol was created with BioRender.com.

Figure 1

Figure 4

a E2p SApNP

b I3-01v9b SApNP

Subcapsular sinus Follicle

Paracortex Medullary cord

500 µm

Follicle

Vaccine accumulation

100 µm

c

| | 2 hours | 12 hours | 48 hours | 1 week | 2 weeks | 5 weeks | 8 weeks |

Trimer

E2p SApNP

I3-01v9b SApNP

d Time-dependent curve

Sudan GP immunogens
- Trimer
- E2p SApNP
- I3-01v9b SApNP

Anti-trimer Ab stained area (µm²)

Time (h)

e Area under the curve (AUC)

Area under the curve (AUC)

14x   28x

Trimer   E2p SApNP   I3-01v9b SApNP

f Single dose - 48 hours

Anti-trimer Ab stained area (µm²)

****   ****   **

Trimer   E2p SApNP   I3-01v9b SApNP

g Single-dose - 48 hours

Trimer   E2p SApNP   I3-01v9b SApNP   CD169/CD21   Trimer (anti-trimer CA45)

Figure 7

a — E2p SApNPs aligned on FDC dendrites at 12 hours
E2p SApNPs (yellow arrow)
B cell
B cell
FDC dendrites

b — I3-01v9b SApNPs aligned on FDC dendrites at 12 hours
I3-01v9b SApNPs (yellow arrow)
B cell
FDC dendrites
B cell

c — I3-01v9b SApNPs aligned on FDC dendrites at 48 hours
I3-01v9b SApNPs (yellow arrow)
B cell
FDC dendrites

d — E2p SApNPs with phagocytic cells at 12 hours
E2p SApNPs (yellow arrow)

e — I3-01v9b SApNPs with phagocytic cells at 12 hours
I3-01v9b SApNPs (yellow arrow)

f — Aluminum phosphate in the extracellular matrix at 2 hours
Aluminum phosphate (green arrow)

g — I3-01v9b SApNPs and aluminum phosphate with phagocytic cells at 48 hours
Aluminum phosphate (green arrow)
I3-01v9b SApNPs (yellow arrow)

Figure 8

Figure 9

Figure 10

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>EBOV Mayinga GPΔmuc-WL²P²-foldon-[His₆]
MGVTGILQLPRDRFKRTSFFLWVIILFQRTFSIPLGVIHNSALQVSDVDKLVCRDKLSSTNQLRSVGLNLEGNGVATDVPSATKRWGFRSGVPPKVVNYEAGEWAENC
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>EBOV Mayinga GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴-foldon-[His₆]
MGVTGILQLPRDRFKRTSFFLWVIILFQRTFSIPLGVIHNSALQVSDVDKLVCRDKLSSTNQLRSVGLNLEGNGVATDVPSATKRWGFRSGVPPKVVNYEAGEWAENC
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ILNRKAIDFLLQRWGGTCHILGPDCCIEPHDLTKNITDKIDQIIHDFVDKTLPDASGYIPEAPRDGQAYVRKDGEWVLLSTFL[GSHHHHHH]
>SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL²P²-foldon-[His₆]
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>SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴-foldon-[His₆]
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RKAIDFLLRRWGGTCRILGPDCCIEPHDLTKNITDKINQIIHDFIDNPLPNASGYIPEAPRDGQAYVRKDGEWVLLSTFL[GSHHHHHH]
>BDBV R4386L GPΔmuc-WL²P²-foldon-[His₆]
MGILPSPGMPALLSLVSLLSVLLMGCVAEIPLGVVHNNTLQVSDIDKLVCRDKLSSTSQLKSVGLNLEGNGVATDVPTATKRWGFRAGVPPKVVNYEAGEWAENCYNL
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>BDBV R4386L GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴-foldon-[His₆]
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b   **SEC profile of 6 ebolavirus GPΔmuc constructs expressed in HEK293F cells and purified by Nickel and IAC columns**

C

d   Flowchart of image processing and model building protocol

e   **Selected 2D classifications for 3D modeling of EBOV Mayinga GPΔmuc**

GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer/ADI-15878 Fab complex

GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer

f   **Selected 2D classifications for 3D modeling of SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc**

GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer/ADI-15878 Fab complex

GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer

g   **Selected 2D classifications for 3D modeling of BDBV R3486L GPΔmuc**

GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer/ADI-15878 Fab complex

GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer

h ELISA analysis of 6 rationally designed ebolavirus GPΔmuc trimers binding to 5 filovirus NAbs

EBOV Mayinga GPΔmuc-WL²P²									
CA45		ADI-15878		ADI-15946		BDBV-289		MR78	
EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD
0.01520	0.00023	0.00727	0.00072	0.00669	0.00017	0.01109	0.00029	N.D.	N.D.

EBOV Mayinga GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴									
CA45		ADI-15878		ADI-15946		BDBV-289		MR78	
EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD
0.015639	0.000587	0.009683	0.001136	0.007233	0.000747	0.009632	0.00102	N.D.	N.D.

SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL²P²									
CA45		ADI-15878		ADI-15946		BDBV-289		MR78	
EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD
0.0338	2.83E-05	0.004959	7.07E-06	0.039574	0.002213	0.030734	0.000834	N.D.	N.D.

SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴									
CA45		ADI-15878		ADI-15946		BDBV-289		MR78	
EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD
0.032764	0.001209	0.005461	0.000156	0.031179	0.002638	0.028805	0.000792	N.D.	N.D.

BDBV R4386L GPΔmuc-WL²P²									
CA45		ADI-15878		ADI-15946		BDBV-289		MR78	
EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD
0.026339	0.001499	0.005969	0.000224	0.007626	0.000158	0.005773	3.39E-05	N.D.	N.D.

BDBV R4386L GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴									
CA45		ADI-15878		ADI-15946		BDBV-289		MR78	
EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD
0.031360	0.000170	0.007866	0.000318	0.008934	0.000208	0.005026	0.000132	N.D.	N.D.

i BLI analysis of 6 rationally designed ebolavirus GPΔmuc trimers binding to 5 filovirus NAbs

K_D values for 6 rationally designed ebolavirus GPΔmuc trimers binding to 5 filovirus NAbs (nM) [a]

	CA45	ADI-15878	ADI-15946	BDBV-289	MR78
EBOV Mayinga GPΔmuc-WL²P²	2.62	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	—— [b]
EBOV Mayinga GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	—— [b]
SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL²P²	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	7.22	<1.0E-3	—— [b]
SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	4.89	<1.0E-3	—— [b]
BDBV R4386L GPΔmuc-WL²P²	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	—— [b]
BDBV R4386L GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	—— [b]

[a] K_D values were derived from biolayer interferometry (BLI) using the binding equations describing a 1:1 interaction.
[b] "——" indicates cases where the peak signal value at the highest ebolavirus antigen concentration is 0.2 or lower.

Fig. S1. Construct design and in vitro characterization of ebolavirus GPΔmuc trimers. (**a**) Amino acid sequences of EBOV Mayinga , SUDV Gulu, and BDBV R3486L GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^x-foldon-[His$_6$] constructs containing P^2 and P^4 mutations. Signal peptide, GP, restriction site (AS), foldon, linker (GS), and His$_6$ tag are highlighted in yellow, grey, green, orange, pink, and teal, respectively. The WL^{2}P^x mutations are colored in red. Notably, foldon is a C-terminal trimerization motif used in all ebolavirus GPΔmuc constructs and therefore will not be included in the construct names (except here in the sequence definition) to avoid redundancy. The GS linker and His$_6$ tag are shown in [ ] to indicate that they are only included in a set of GPΔmuc constructs generated for testing the Nickel purification method. (**b**) SEC profiles of EBOV Mayinga , SUDV Gulu, and BDBV R3486L GPΔmuc produced in 165 ml HEK293F cells and purified using either a Nickel column or a CA45 antibody column. (**c**) Compositional site-specific glycan analysis of three ebolavirus GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimers. The graphs summarize quantitative mass spectrometric analysis of the glycan population present at individual N-linked glycosylation sites simplified into categories of glycans. The oligomannose-type glycan series (M9 to M5; Man$_9$GlcNAc$_2$ to Man$_5$GlcNAc$_2$) is colored green, afucosylated and fucosylated hybrid-type glycans (hybrid and F hybrid) are dashed pink, and complex glycans are grouped according to the number of antennae and presence of core fucosylation and are colored pink. Unoccupancy of an N-linked glycan site is represented in gray. Glycan sites that could not be determined are denoted as "N.D.". (**d**) Flowchart of image processing, 2D classification, and 3D reconstruction of negative stain EM (nsEM) data obtained for EBOV, SUDV, and BDBV GPΔmuc trimers and their complexes with ADI-15878 Fab using CryoSPARC. (**e**)-(**f**) Representative 2D classification images of EBOV, SUDV, and BDBV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimers and their complexes with ADI-15878 Fab. (**g**) ELISA analysis of EBOV, SUDV, and BDBV GPΔmuc trimers binding to 5 filovirus NAbs in the IgG form. Briefly, each well was coated with 0.1 μg of the appropriate antigen, and IgG was diluted in a 10-fold dilution series from a starting concentration of 10 μg/ml for all tested antibodies. Error bars represent the difference between these duplicate values at each concentration tested for each sample. (**h**) BLI analysis of EBOV, SUDV, and BDBV GPΔmuc trimers binding to 5 filovirus NAbs in the IgG form. Sensorgrams were obtained from an Octet RED96 instrument using the AHC biosensor. A two-fold concentration gradient of antigen, starting at 600 nM, was used in a dilution series of six. K_D values derived from a 1:1 fitting model are summarized in a table.

a

EBOV Mayinga
GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4
(2L 293S, mAb100)

F38 F40 F42 F44 F46 F48 F50 F52 F54 X

669
440
232

**F40-F49 for
crystallization**

b

Top View

Protomer 3
N228 N563
N257
N257
N228
N563
a4
N228 N563
N257
Protomer 1

Protomer 2

Side View

Protomer 1   Protomer 2
Protomer 3

Receptor
Binding Site
(RBD)

N618   N618
N618

c

Glycan cap

β2   β3
β1

α2
α3   HR1$_C$

α2
α3   HR1$_C$

GPΔmuc-WL^2 GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^2

GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^2
GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4

Foldon

I626
K633

D637   K633

d

SUDV Gulu
GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4
in complex with CA45 Fab
(2L 293S, ADI-15878)

Complex with
CA45 Fab

CA45 Fab

Fig. S2

Regroup 3D Classes

Ab-initio reconstruction

(Previous page)

Model 1
50,037 particles

Model 2
18,410 particles

Model 3
54,244 particles

Model 4
41,233 particles

Model 4

41,233 particles

Focusing Mask

Local refinement

Non-uniform refinement

Focusing Mask

163,924
particles

Using all particles
from model 1-4

Symmetry: C3

Symmetry: C3

GSFSC
Local resolution
(Å)

Not calc.
4.0

2.5

f

EBOV Mayinga
GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4

Ebola Mayinga GPΔmuc in complex with CA45 Fab
(PDB ID: 6EAY)

Cα-RMSD: 0.66 Å

Cα-RMSD: 0.63 Å

g

Crystal structure of EBOV GPΔmuc in complex with CA45 Fab (PDB ID: 6EAY)

Hydrogen bond
Salt-bridge

Heavy chain variable domain of CA45 Fab

Light chain variable domain of CA45 Fab

Fig. S2. Structural analysis for EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer and CA45 Fab-bound SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer. (**a**) SEC profile of EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer expressed in 2L HEK293S cells and BN-PAGE of ADI-15878/SEC-purified EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer. Fractions F40 to F49 were used for crystallization screening. The SEC profile was generated from a HiLoad Superdex 200 16/600 PG column (Cytiva). (**b**) Ribbon representation of EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer structure (Left: top view; Right: side view). The structure is colored as follows: glycan cap (gray), RBS (cyan), GP2 (yellow), and IFL (pink). *N*-linked glycans at N228, N257, N563, and N618 are shown as color-coded (by atom type) sticks. (**c**) Structural comparison of GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 and previously reported GPΔmuc-WL^2 and GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^2 trimers. The ribbon models of three GPΔmuc trimers containing WL^{2}P^4, WL^2, and WL^{2}P^2 mutations are shown in cyan, gold, and orange, respectively. Regions that are critical to the GP structure and exhibit appreciable differences in structure are superposed and shown as enlarged insects. (**d**) SEC profile of ADI-15878/SEC-purified SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer expressed in 2L HEK293S cells and complexed with ADI-15878 Fab. The SEC profile was generated from a Superose 6 10/300 increase column. (**e**) Schematic representation of image processing, 2D classification, and 3D reconstruction of cryo-EM data obtained for SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer in complex with ADI-15878 Fab using CryoSPARC. (**f**) Left: cryo-EM structure of SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 superposed with the crystal structure of EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 for comparison at the monomer level. The Cα root mean square deviation (Cα-RMSD) is 0.66 Å for 154 matching Cα atoms. Right: cryo-EM structure of SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 in complex with ADI-15878 Fab superposed with the previously reported crystal structure of EBOV GPΔmuc in complex with CA45 Fab (PDB ID: 6EAY). Cα-RMSD is 0.63 Å for 149 matching Cα atoms. (**g**) Structural details illustrated for the GP-CA45 interface in the crystal structure of EBOV GPΔmuc in complex with CA45 Fab (PDB ID: 6EAY). Hydrogen bonds are shown in red dashed line and salt bridge shown in black dashed line with distances labeled.

a

>I3-01v9b
[leader]AAEKMIKEIGSGSEELQKKMEELFKKHKI
VAVLRANSVEEAKMKALAVFVGGVHLIEITFTVPDAD
TVIKELSFLKELGAIIGAGTVTSVEQCRKAVESGAEF
IVSPHLDAEITVFCLEKGVFYMPGVMTPTELVKAMKL
GHNILKLFPGEVVGPQFVKAMKGPFPNVKFVPTGGVN
LDNVCEWFKAGVLAVGVGSALVKGTIAEVAAKAAAFV
EKIRGCTE

I3-01v9c

Truncated I3-01v9a

7-aa helix

Manual design

Helix-turn (13-aa) extension

Point mutation

Q96V
K99L
E92A
S95T
T124N

r = 3.0 Å
Iterative modular optimization (IMO)

CONCOORD perturbation (1000 structures)

Ensemble design

Cα-based RAPDF potential

Cβ-based RAPDF potential

r = 3.1 Å
Iterative modular optimization (IMO)

I3-01v9b or I3-01v9c trimer

12.9Å

I3-01v9b or I3-01v9c NP

b

>EBOV Mayinga GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴-I3-01v9b-T
MGVTGILQLPRDRFKRTSFFLWVIILFQRTFS IPLGVIHNSALQVSDVDKLVCRDKLSSTNQLRSVGLNLEGNGVATDVPSATKRWGFRSGVPPKVVNYEAGEWAENCYNLEI
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KGAIIGAGTVTSVEQCRKAVESGAEFFIVSPHLDAEITVFCLEKGVFYMPGVMTPTELVKAMKLGHNILKLFPGEVVGPQFVKAMKGPFPNVKFVPTGGVNLDNVCEWFKAGVL
AVGVGSALVKGTPDEVREKAKAFVEKIRGCTE

>EBOV Mayinga GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴-I3-01v9c-T
MGVTGILQLPRDRFKRTSFFLWVIILFQRTFS IPLGVIHNSALQVSDVDKLVCRDKLSSTNQLRSVGLNLEGNGVATDVPSATKRWGFRSGVPPKVVNYEAGEWAENCYNLEI
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LGPDCCIEPHDLTKNITDKIDQIIHDFVDKTLPD**AS**GAEKMIKEIG**PP**SEELQKKMEELFKKHKIVAVLRANSVEEAKEKALAVFEGGVHLIEITFTVPDDATVIKELSFLKE
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AVGVGSALVKGTPDEVREKAKAFVEKIRGCTE

c EBOV Mayinga GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ on

d

EBOV Mayinga
GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴-
I3-01v9b-T

EBOV Mayinga
GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴-
I3-01v9c-T

e **2D classes of EBOV Mayinga GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴-I3-01v9b-T**

Selected 2D classification for modeling

f **2D classes of EBOV Mayinga GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴-I3-01v9c-T**

Selected 2D classification for modeling

g

EBOV Mayinga
GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴-I3-01v9b-T

EBOV Mayinga
GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴-I3-01v9c-T

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>EBOV Mayinga GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴-E2p-LD4-PADRE
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>BDBV R4386L GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴-E2p-LD4-PADRE

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>BDBV R4386L GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴-I3-01v9b-LD7-PADRE

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j ELISA analysis of 6 rationally designed ebolavirus GPΔmuc SApNPs binding to 5 filovirus NAbs

k BLI analysis of 6 rationally designed ebolavirus GPΔmuc SApNPs binding to 5 filovirus NAbs

K_D values for 6 redesigned Filo-virus GP NP binding to 5 representative antibodies (nM) [a]

	CA45	ADI-15878	ADI-15946	BDBV-289	MR78
EBOV Mayinga GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴-E2p-LD4-PADRE	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	—— [b]
EBOV Mayinga GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴-I3-01v9b-LD7-PADRE	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	—— [b]
SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴-E2p-LD4-PADRE	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	—— [b]
SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴-I3-01v9b-LD7-PADRE	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	—— [b]
BDBV R4386L GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴-E2p-LD4-PADRE	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	—— [b]
BDBV R4386L GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴-I3-01v9b-LD7-PADRE	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	—— [b]

[a] K_D values were derived from biolayer interferometry (BLI) using the binding equations describing a 1:1 interaction.
[b] "——" indicates cases where the peak signal value at the highest ebolavirus antigen concentration is 0.2 or lower.

Fig. S3. Rational design of I3-01v9b/c and in vitro characterization of ebolavirus GPΔmuc-presenting SApNPs. (**a**) Schematic representation of computational design of I3-01v9b/c. Top left: structural model of I3-01v9a with the 11-aa N-terminal helix truncated to 7 aa; Top middle left: a 13-aa helix-turn fragment (9-aa helix + 4-aa turn, all alanine) was fused to the 7-aa N-terminal helix of the truncated I3-01v9a in such a way the new 9-aa N-terminal helix from the fused fragment would pack within the groove of two helices that are part of the I3-01 core; Top middle right: four mutations, E92A, S95T, Q96V, and K99L, were introduced to the I3-01 core helices to remove their steric clashes with the new N-terminal helix; Top right: iterative modular optimization (IMO) of the helix-turn backbone, with a radius of 3.0 Å measured for the first amino acid at the N-terminus; Middle right: 1000 slightly perturbed backbone conformations generated by CONCOORD, a torsion-space sampling program; Middle middle: results from an ensemble-based protein design program used to predict the optimal sequence for the 9-aa N-terminal helix within the fragment using $C\alpha$ and $C\beta$-based RAPDF potentials. The 4-aa turn was set to "GSGS"; Middle left: sequence of I3-01v9b designed by combining data from both RAPDF potentials, with the difference between I3-01v9b and I3-01v9c (the "PP" mutation) labeled on the sequence; Bottom left: further backbone relaxation using IMO with a minimum perturbation angle; Bottom right: a structural model of the trimeric I3-01v9b/c, termed I3-01v9b/c-T, in which the N-termini form a triangle of 12.9 Å, and a structural model of fully assembled I3-01v9b/c NP. (**b**) Amino acids sequences of EBOV GPΔmuc-WL2P4-I3-01v9b/c-T, which are EBOV Mayinga GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 anchored to the trimeric I3-01v9b/c-T scaffolds. Signal peptide, GP, restriction site (AS), and I3-01v9b/c-T are highlighted in yellow, grey, green and pink, respectively. The double proline mutation in the N-terminus of I3-01v9c-T that differs from I3-01v9b-T is highlighted in red. (**c**) SEC profiles of EBOV GPΔmuc-WL2P4-I3-01v9b/c-T expressed in 500 ml HEK293S cells and purified using an ADI-15878 column. (**d**) BN-PAGE of ADI-15878/SEC-purified EBOV GPΔmuc-WL2P4-I3-01v9b/c-T. (**e**) and (**f**) Representative 2D classification images of ADI-15878/SEC-purified EBOV GPΔmuc-WL2P4-I3-01v9b/c-T trimers. (**g**) 3D reconstructions of ADI-15878/SEC-purified EBOV GPΔmuc-WL2P4-I3-01v9b/c-T trimers. Crystal structures of EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^2 (PDB ID:7JPH) and the bacterial enzyme from which I3-01 was derived (PDB ID:1VLW) were fitted into the model and shown in orange and blue, respectively. (**h**) Amino acids sequences of EBOV, SUDV, and BDBV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-E2P-LD4-PADRE and -I3-01v9b-LD7-PADRE SApNP constructs. LD stands for locking domain (LD), which is fused to the C-terminus of the NP backbone and forms an inner layer to stabilize the NP shell from the inside. PADRE is a helper T-cell epitope and forms a hydrophobic core at the center of the assembled NP to further stabilize the NP structure and to induce a strong T-help response upon vaccination. (**i**) Compositional site-specific glycan analysis of SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-E2P-LD4-PADRE and I3-01v9b-LD7-PADRE SApNPs, as in **Fig. S1c**. (**j**) ELISA analysis of EBOV, SUDV, and BDBV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-E2P-LD4-PADRE and I3-01v9b-LD7-PADRE SApNPs binding to 5 filovirus NAbs, as in **Fig. S1h**. (**k**) BLI analysis of EBOV, SUDV, and BDBV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-E2P-LD4-PADRE and I3-01v9b-LD7-PADRE SApNPs binding to 5 filovirus NAbs. A two-fold concentration gradient of antigen, starting at 12 nM, was used in a dilution series of six. K_D values derived from a 1:1 fitting model are summarized in a table.

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b **ELISA analysis of Kif-treated and glycan-trimmed EBOV and SUDV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ trimers binding to 5 filovirus NAbs**

EBOV Mayinga GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ (Kif-treated)									
CA45		ADI-15878		ADI-15946		BDBV-289		MR78	
EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD
0.1110	0.0252	0.0058	0.0006	0.0057	0.0003	0.0133	0.0004	N.D.	N.D.

EBOV Mayinga GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ (Kif/endo H)									
CA45		ADI-15878		ADI-15946		BDBV-289		MR78	
EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD
0.0624	0.0093	0.0047	0.0001	0.0055	0.0006	0.0261	0.0021	N.D.	N.D.

SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ (Kif-treated)									
CA45		ADI-15878		ADI-15946		BDBV-289		MR78	
EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD
0.0973	0.0354	0.0054	0.0003	0.0111	0.0003	0.0325	0.0013	N.D.	N.D.

SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ (Kif/endo H)									
CA45		ADI-15878		ADI-15946		BDBV-289		MR78	
EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD
0.0347	0.0012	0.0039	0.0002	0.0086	0.0002	0.0518	0.0010	N.D.	N.D.

c **BLI analysis of Kif-treated and glycan-trimmed EBOV and SUDV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ trimers binding to 5 filovirus NAbs**

K_D values for 4 glycan-modified ebolavirus GPΔmuc trimers binding to 5 filovirus NAbs (nM)[a]

	CA45	ADI-15878	ADI-15946	BDBV-289	MR78
EBOV Mayinga GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ (Kif-treated)	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	— [b]
EBOV Mayinga GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ (Kif/endo H)	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	— [b]
SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ (Kif-treated)	<1.0E-3	2.99E-2	2.03	<1.0E-3	— [b]
SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ (Kif/endo H)	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	9.52E-1	<1.0E-3	— [b]

[a] K_D values were derived from bio-layer interferometry (BLI) using the binding equations describing a 1:1 interaction.
[b] "—" indicates cases where the peak signal value at the highest ebolavirus antigen concentration is 0.2 or lower.

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>SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴-PD-E2p-LD4-PADRE
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>SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴-PD-I3-01v9b-LD7-PADRE
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SUDV Gulu
GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴-PD
E2p-LD4-PADRE

SUDV Gulu
GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴-PD
I3-01v9b-LD7-PADRE

f   Site-specific glycan profiles of wildtype and Kif-treated SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD-presenting SApNPs

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SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL2P4-PD-E2p-LD4-PADRE (Kif-treated)									
CA45		ADI-15878		ADI-15946		BDBV-829		MR78	
EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD
0.0168	0.0014	0.0277	0.0049	0.0283	0.0021	0.0462	0.0006	N.D.	N.D.

SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL2P4-PD-E2p-LD4-PADRE (Kif/endo H)									
CA45		ADI-15878		ADI-15946		BDBV-829		MR78	
EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD
0.0226	0.0048	0.0308	0.002	0.0312	0.0043	0.1550	0.0179	N.D.	N.D.

SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL2P4-PD-I3-01v9b-LD7-PADRE (Kif-treated)									
CA45		ADI-15878		ADI-15946		BDBV-829		MR78	
EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD
0.0348	0.0024	0.0254	0.0163	0.0708	0.0049	0.0718	0.0181	N.D.	N.D.

SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL2P4-PD-I3-01v9b-LD7-PADRE (Kif/endo H)									
CA45		ADI-15878		ADI-15946		BDBV-829		MR78	
EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD	EC50	STD
0.0155	0.0023	0.0039	0.0004	0.0174	0.0011	0.0726	0.0083	N.D.	N.D.

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K_D values for 4 glycan-modified SUDVGPΔmuc-WL2P4-PD-presenting SApNPs binding to 5 filovirus NAbs (nM) [a]

	CA45	ADI-15878	ADI-15946	BDBV-289	MR78
SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL2P4-PD-E2p-LD4-PADRE (Kif-treated)	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	⸺ [b]
SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL2P4-PD-E2p-LD4-PADRE (Kif/endo H)	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	⸺ [b]
SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL2P4-PD-I3-01v9b-LD7-PADRE (Kif-treated)	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	⸺ [b]
SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL2P4-PD-I3-01v9b-LD7-PADRE (Kif/endo H)	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	<1.0E-3	⸺ [b]

[a] K_D values were derived from biolayer interferometry (BLI) using the binding equations describing a 1:1 interaction.
[b] "⸺" indicates cases where the peak signal value at the highest SUDV antigen concentration is 0.2 or lower.

Fig. S4. In vitro characterization for glycan-modified ebolavirus GPΔmuc trimers and SApNPs. (**a**) SDS-PAGE and BN-PAGE of glycan-modified EBOV Mayinga and SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimers. They were either expressed in the presence of kifunensine (Kif-treated) to obtain oligomannose-only glycans or further trimmed using endo H (Kif/endo H) to obtain a mono-layer of GlcNAc stumps. (**b**) ELISA analysis of glycan-modified EBOV Mayinga and SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimers binding to 5 filovirus NAbs in the IgG form, as in **Fig S1h.** (**c**) BLI analysis of glycan-modified EBOV Mayinga and SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimers binding to 5 filovirus NAbs in the IgG form, as in **Fig S1i**. (**d**) Construct sequences for "multilayered" E2p (E2p-LD4-PADRE) and I3-01v9b (I3-0v9b-LD7-PADRE) SApNPs presenting 20 copies of a SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD trimer, which contains a mutation (N637D) at the C-terminus to remove a potential glycosylation site between GP and NP. (**e**) SDS-PAGE of 3 glycan-modified SApNPs corresponding to EBOV Mayinga GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 on the E2p-LD4-PADRE scaffold and SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD on the E2p-LD4-PADRE and I3-01v9b-LD7-PADRE scaffolds. (**f**) Compositional site-specific glycan analysis of SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD-presenting E2p and I3-01v9b SApNPs, as in **Fig. S1c**. (**g**) ELISA analysis of glycan-modified SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL2P4-PD-presenting E2P and I3-01v9b SApNPs binding to 5 filovirus NAbs in the IgG form, as in **Fig S1h**. (**h**) BLI analysis of glycan-modified SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD-presenting E2P and I3-01v9b SApNPs binding to 5 filovirus NAbs in the IgG form, as in **Fig S3k**.

a

>RAVV GPΔTM-foldon-His₆

MGVTGILQLPRDRFKRTSFFLWVIILFQRTFSIKTLPVLEIASNSQPQDVDSVCSGTLQKTEDVHLMGFTLSGQKVADSPLEASKRWAFRTGVPPKNVEYTEGEEAKTCYNIS
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NGTDPTTQPATLLNNTNTTPTYNTLKYNLSTPSPPTRNITNNDTQRELAESEQTNAQLNTTLDPTENPTTGQDTNSTTNIIMTTSDITSKHPTNSSPDSSPTT**RPPI**YFRKKR
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IKNQNNLVCRLRRLANQTAKSLELLLRV**TTEERTFS**LINRHAIDFLLTRWGGTCKVLGPDCCIGIEDLSKNISEQIDKIRKDEQKEETGASGYIPEAPRDGQAYVRKDGEWVL
STFLGSHHHHHH

>RAVV GPΔmuc-foldon-His₆

MGVTGILQLPRDRFKRTSFFLWVIILFQRTFSIKTLPVLEIASNSQPQDVDSVCSGTLQKTEDVHLMGFTLSGQKVADSPLEASKRWAFRTGVPPKNVEYTEGEEAKTCYNIS
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LGPDCCIGIEDLSKNISEQIDKIRKDEQKEETGASGYIPEAPRDGQAYVRKDGEWVLLSTFLGSHHHHHH

>RAVV GPΔmuc-P²-foldon-His₆

MGVTGILQLPRDRFKRTSFFLWVIILFQRTFSIKTLPVLEIASNSQPQDVDSVCSGTLQKTEDVHLMGFTLSGQKVADSPLEASKRWAFRTGVPPKNVEYTEGEEAKTCYNIS
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FSYFPDKNGDTAYSGENENDCDAELRIWSVQEDDLAAGLSWIPFFGPIEGLYTAGLIKNQNNLVCRLRRLANQTAKSLELLLRV**TPEERTFS**LINRHAIDFLLTRWGGTCKV
LGPDCCIGIEDLSKNISEQIDKIRKDEQKEETGASGYIPEAPRDGQAYVRKDGEWVLLSTFLGSHHHHHH

>RAVV GPΔmuc-P⁴-foldon-His₆

MGVTGILQLPRDRFKRTSFFLWVIILFQRTFSIKTLPVLEIASNSQPQDVDSVCSGTLQKTEDVHLMGFTLSGQKVADSPLEASKRWAFRTGVPPKNVEYTEGEEAKTCYNIS
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GCFGILQEYNSTNNQTCPPSLKPPSLPTVTPSIHSTNTQINTAK**SGTRPP**IYFRKKRSIFWKEGDIFPFLDGLINTEIDFDPIPNTETIFDESPSFNTSTNEEQHTPPNISLT
FSYFPDKNGDTAYSGENENDCDAELRIWSVQEDDLAAGLSWIPFFGPIEGLYTAGLIKNQNNLVCRLRRLANQTAKSLELLLRV**TTEPRTFS**LINRHAIDFLLTRWGGTCKV
LGPDCCIGIEDLSKNISEQIDKIRKDEQKEETGASGYIPEAPRDGQAYVRKDGEWVLLSTFLGSHHHHHH

>RAVV GPΔmuc-P²CT-foldon-His₆

MGVTGILQLPRDRFKRTSFFLWVIILFQRTFSIKTLPVLEIASNSQPQDVDSVCSGTLQKTEDVHLMGFTLSGQKVADSPLEASKRWAFRTGVPPKNVEYTEGEEAKTCYNIS
VTDPSGKSLLLDPPSNIRDYPKCKTVHHIQGQNPHAQGIALHLWGAFFLYDRVASTTMYRGKVFTEGNIAAMIVNKTVHRMIFSRQGQGYRHMNLTSTNKYWTSSNETQRNDT
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FSYFPDKNGDTAYSGENENDCDAELRIWSVQEDDLAAGLSWIPFFGPIEGLYTAGLIKNQNNLVCRLRRLANQTAKSLELLLRV**TPEERTFS**LINRHAIDFLLTRWGGTCKV
LGPDCCIGIEDLSKNISEQIDKIRKD**FV**KEETGASGYIPEAPRDGQAYVRKDGEWVLLSTFLGSHHHHHH

b

RAVV
GPΔmuc-P⁴
(16 ml ExpiCHO)
Nickel

c

RAVV
GPΔmuc-P²
(16 ml ExpiCHO)
MR78

RAVV
GPΔmuc-P²
(16 ml ExpiCHO)
MR191

RAVV
GPΔmuc-P²CT
(16 ml ExpiCHO)
MR78

RAVV
GPΔmuc-P²CT
(16 ml ExpiCHO)
MR191

d

RAVV
GPΔmuc-P²

RAVV
GPΔmuc-P²CT

669
440
232
140

F9 F10 F11 F12 F13
F8 F9 F10 F11 F12 F13

e

2D classes of RAVV GPΔmuc-P²CT / MR78 Fab complex

Selected 2D classifications for 3D modeling

f

RAVV GPΔmuc-P²CT

GP1
- N94
- N171
- N190
- N202
- N207 — N.D.
- N219
- N223 — N.D.

GP2
- N475
- N487
- N564
- N619

g

RAVV GPΔmuc-P²

RAVV GPΔmuc-P²CT

— MR78
— MR191

Absorbance (450 nm) vs $\log_{10}$ Ab (μg/ml)

RAVV GPΔmuc-P²			
MR78		MR191	
EC50	STD	EC50	STD
0.0191	0.0007	0.0166	0.0007

RAVV GPΔmuc-P²CT			
MR78		MR191	
EC50	STD	EC50	STD
0.0196	0.0015	0.0230	0.0046

h

RAVV GPΔmuc-P²   **RAVV GPΔmuc-P²CT**

MR78 (nm) vs Time (s)

MR191 (nm) vs Time (s)

- **600 nM**
- **300 nM**
- **150 nM**
- **75 nM**
- **37.5 nM**
- **18.7 nM**

K_D values for two RAVV GPΔmuc trimers binding to 2 marburgvirus NAbs in the IgG form (nM) [a]

	MR78	MR191
RAVV GPΔmuc-P²	6.61E-1	1.55E+1
RAVV GPΔmuc-P²CT	8.06	1.30E+1

[a] K_D values were derived from bio-layer interferometry (BLI) using the binding equations describing a 1:1 interaction.
[b] "—" indicates cases where the peak signal value at the highest RSV-F concentration is 0.2 or lower.

i

| RAVV GPΔmuc-P²CT-E2p-LD4-PADRE (MR78 IAC) | RAVV GPΔmuc-P²CT-E2p-LD4-PADRE (MR191 IAC) | RAVV GPΔmuc-P²CT-I3-01v9b-LD7-PADRE (MR78 IAC) | RAVV GPΔmuc-P²CT-I3-01v9b-LD7-PADRE (MR191 IAC) |

Fig. S5. Construct design and in vitro characterization of RAVV GP trimers. (**a**) Constructs sequences of RAVV GP designs. Signal peptide, mucin-like domain (MLD), HR1c, restriction site (AS), foldon, linker (GS), and His_6-tag are highlighted in yellow, gray, cyan, green, orange, light pink, and light sea green, respectively. The proline mutation on HR1c and CT are shown in red. Notably, the foldon motif, GS linker, and His_6 tag are present in all RAVV GP trimers tested in this study and will not be included in the construct names to avoid redundancy. (**b**) SEC profile of Nickel-purified RAVV GPΔmuc-P⁴ expressed in 16 ml ExpiCHO cells. (**c**) SECs profile of NAb MR78/MR191-purified RAVV GPΔmuc-P² and GPΔmuc-P²CT each expressed in 16 ml ExpiCHO cells. (**d**) BN-PAGE of the trimer fractions from the SEC analysis of Nickel-purified RAVV GPΔmuc-P² and GPΔmuc-P²CT. (**e**) Representative 2D classification images of the RAVV GPΔmuc-P²CT trimer in complex with MR78 Fab. (**f**) Compositional site-specific glycan analysis for RAVV GPΔmuc-P²CT trimer, as in **Fig. S1c**. (**g**) ELISA analysis of RAVV GPΔmuc-P² and GPΔmuc-P²CT trimers binding to NAbs MR78 and MR191 in the IgG form. Briefly, each well was coated with 0.1 μg of the appropriate antigen and IgG antibodies were diluted in a 10-fold dilution series from a starting concentration of 10 μg/ml for all antibodies. Error bars represent the difference between these duplicate values at each concentration tested for each sample. (**h**) BLI analysis of RAVV GPΔmuc-P² and GPΔmuc-P²CT trimers binding to NAbs MR78 and MR191 in the IgG form, as in **Fig. S1i**. (i) nsEM analysis of RAVV GPΔmuc-P²CT E2p and I3-01v9b constructs following ExpiCHO expression and MR78- or MR191-based IAC purification. Scale bar is labeled in yellow on the EM micrographs. No discernible protein NPs are shown in any of the EM micrographs.

Fig. S6. Immunohistological images of SUDV GP∆muc trimer and SApNPs in lymph nodes. (**a**) Immunostaining images of lymph node tissues from SUDV GP∆muc trimer-presenting SApNP injected mice stained with four anti-trimer antibody ADI-15878, ADI-15946, CA45 and Mab100. SUDV vaccine constructs of GP∆muc trimer and GP∆muc trimer-presenting E2p and I3-01v9b SApNPs interaction with FDC networks in lymph node follicles (**b**) 2 hours, (**c**) 12 hours, (**d**) 1 week, (**e**) 2 weeks, (**f**) 5 weeks, and (**g**) 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-trimer CA45, white). Scale bars = 500 and 100 µm for complete lymph node and enlarged image of a follicle, respectively. Data were collected from more than 10 lymph node follicles (n = 3-5 mice/group).

a   E2p SApNPs (yellow arrow) are aligned on FDC dendrites
    after 2 hours of injection

b   E2p SApNPs (yellow 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 I3-01v9b SApNPs (yellow arrow) are aligned on FDC dendrites or
   inside endolysosomes of FDC dendrites after 2 hours of injection

e I3-01v9b SApNPs (yellow arrow) are aligned on FDC
   dendrites or taken up by B cells after 12 hours of injection

f I3-01v9b SApNPs (yellow arrow) are aligned on FDC dendrites
   after 48 hours of injection

g   E2p SApNPs (yellow arrow) are associated with
phagocytic cells after 2 hours of injection

h   E2p SApNPs (yellow arrow) are associated with phagocytic cells
after 12 hours of injection

i E2p SApNPs (yellow arrow) are associated with
   phagocytic cells after 48 hours of injection

j I3-01v9b SApNPs (yellow arrow) are associated with phagocytic
   cells after 2 hours of injection

k   I3-01v9b SApNPs (yellow arrow) are associated with
     phagocytic cells after 12 hours of injection

l   I3-01v9b SApNPs (yellow arrow) are associated with phagocytic
     cells after 48 hours of injection

m   Aluminum phosphate (green arrow) tends to
    aggregate in the ECM after 2 hours of injection

n   I3-01v9b SApNPs (yellow arrow) and aluminum phosphate
    (green arrow) with phagocytic cells at 2 hours

o   I3-01v9b SApNPs (yellow arrow) and aluminum phosphate
(green arrow) with phagocytic cells at 12 hours

p   I3-01v9b SApNPs (yellow arrow) and aluminum phosphate
(green arrow) with phagocytic cells at 48 hours

Fig. S7. TEM images of Sudan GPΔmuc-presenting SApNPs interacting with FDCs and phagocytic cells in a lymph node. SUDV GPΔmuc trimer-presenting E2p SApNPs are aligned on FDC dendrites at (**a**) 2 hours, (**b**) 12 hours, and (**c**) 48 hours after a single-dose injection (2 footpads, 50 µg/footpad). SUDV GPΔmuc trimer-presenting I3-01v9b SApNPs are aligned on FDC dendrites at (**d**) 2 hours, (**e**) 12 hours, and (**f**) 48 hours after a single-dose injection. Aluminum phosphate (AP) particles are not associated with SApNPs on FDC dendrites. SUDV GPΔmuc trimer-presenting E2p SApNPs are aligned on the surface or inside endolysosomes of phagocytic cells at (**g**) 2 hours, (**h**) 12 hours, and (**i**) 48 hours after an injection. SUDV GPΔmuc trimer-presenting I3-01v9b SApNPs are associated with phagocytic cells after (**j**) 2 hours, (**k**) 12 hours, and (**l**) 48 hours after the injection. (**m**) AP particles aggregate in the extracellular matrix 2 hours after the injection. SUDV GPΔmuc trimer-presenting I3-01v9b SApNPs formulated with AP are associated with phagocytic cells at (**n**) 2 hours, (**o**) 12 hours, and (**p**) 48 hours after an injection. TEM images were performed on 2 popliteal lymph nodes for each SApNP construct. E2p or I3-01v9b SApNPs are pointed to by yellow arrows and AP adjuvants are pointed to by green arrows.

a

Single-dose - 2 w

Trimer

E2p
SApNP

I3-01v9b
SApNP

b

Single-dose - 5 w

Trimer

E2p
SApNP

I3-01v9b
SApNP

c **Single-dose - 8 w**

Trimer

E2p
SApNP

I3-01v9b
SApNP

d **Prime-boost - 3 w + 2 w**

Trimer

E2p
SApNP

I3-01v9b
SApNP

e **Prime-boost - 3 w + 5 w**   **Fig. S8**

Fig. S8. Immunohistological analysis of SUDV GPΔmuc trimer and SApNP vaccine-induced GCs. Immunohistological images of GCs at (**a**) 2, (**b**) 5, and (**c**) 8 weeks after a single-dose injection of GPΔmuc trimer and GPΔmuc trimer-presenting E2p and I3-01v9b SApNPs (10 μg per injection, totaling 40 μg per mouse). Images of GCs at (**d**) 2 and (**e**) 5 weeks after the boost, which occurred at 3 weeks after the first dose (n = 5 mice/group). Immunofluorescent images are pseudo color coded (GL7+, red; CD21+, green; B220, blue). Scale bars = 500 μm for each image of a lymph node.

a

Fig. S9. Flow cytometry analysis of SUDV GPΔmuc trimer and SApNPs vaccine-induced GCs. Gating strategy for analyzing GCs (GC B cells and T follicular helper cells) using flow cytometry (*n* = 5 mice/group).

a **Sera of individual mice immunized with EBOV vaccines binding to EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴(1TD0) trimer**

b **Mouse serum ELISA EC₅₀ titers**

Week 2	Antigen	EC50 titers (week 2)								Geometric Mean
		M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
	EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ trimer	111.7	136.3	51.3	227.2	103.0	200.2	12.6	173.3	97.3
	EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ E2p SApNP	985.3	706.4	970.8	1772.0	271.5	336.1	3145.0	486.4	799.6
	EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ I3-01v9b SApNP	30.1	101.8	43.0	37.9	172.4	80.7	91.5	115.6	72.1

Week 5	Antigen	EC50 titers (week 5)								Geometric Mean
		M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
	EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ trimer	52545	41735	104914	48787	27947	18271	26144	21434	36588.3
	EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ E2p SApNP	199849	120954	303168	237335	74446	156667	282413	368341	195227.1
	EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ I3-01v9b SApNP	58458	93275	140476	104463	128829	148277	70114	63709	95341.8

Week 11	Antigen	EC50 titers (week 11)								Geometric Mean
		M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
	EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ trimer	26545	524033	69054	94400	39464	69865	68351	51944	73880.6
	EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ E2p SApNP	267135	163352	223491	606328	32762	143908	182928	233182	181721.7
	EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ I3-01v9b SApNP	703967	60730	178784	354031	97482	91294	82827	610293	182253.3

Week 17	Antigen	EC50 titers (week 17)								Geometric Mean
		M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
	EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴-FOLD	59703	59841	42414	92526	80033	44111	36894	36448	53444.3
	EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ E2p SApNP	78072	31500	66659	79702	33830	63116	75359	105584	62128.2
	EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ I3-01v9b SApNP	40965	18206	43559	42711	22529	65820	41237	74760	39837.1

Statistical analysis

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w2)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ E2p SApNP	**	0.0067
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.9871
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ E2p SApNP vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ I3-01v9b SApNP	**	0.0047

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w5)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ E2p SApNP	****	<0.0001
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.1769
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ E2p SApNP vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ I3-01v9b SApNP	**	0.0034

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w11)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ E2p SApNP	ns	0.5058
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.2942
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ E2p SApNP vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.9135

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w17)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ E2p SApNP	ns	0.6171
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.4761
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ E2p SApNP vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.1078

c **Week-7 sera of individual mice immunized with EBOV vaccines binding to SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0) trimer**

Mouse serum ELISA EC$_{50}$ titers

	Antigen	EC50 titers (week 17)								Geometric Mean
		M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
Week 17	EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer	20545	9375	21603	8039	22891	7014	3805	2676	9273.3
	EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	29973	12206	17018	52874	22735	68558	33997	72867	32585.3
	EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	15023	7900	26186	17813	11241	97786	11184	15787	17943.0

Statistical analysis

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w17)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	ns	0.0641
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.4678
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.4656

d **Week-17 sera of individual mice immunized with EBOV vaccines binding to RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT(1TD0) trimer**

Mouse serum ELISA EC$_{50}$ titers

	Antigen	Absorbance (450 nm) (week 17)								Geometric Mean
		M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
Week 17	EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer	0.9	1.1	1.2	1.0	2.5	0.5	1.8	0.7	1.1
	EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	1.9	2.1	1.3	2.2	1.2	2.5	1.4	2.3	1.8
	EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	1.5	1.9	1.9	2.1	2.3	2.2	2.5	1.8	2.0

Statistical analysis

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w17)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	*	0.0449
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	*	0.0111
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.7982

e Sera of individual mice immunized with EBOV vaccines neutralizing an EBOV Makona strain

Week 2   Week 5   Week 11   Week 17

EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer

EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP

EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP

Legend: M1, M2, M3, M4, M5, M6, M7, M8

f Mouse serum neutralizing ID$_{50}$ titers

Week 2

Antigen	ID50 titers (week 2)								Geometric Mean
	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	N/A
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	N/A
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	N/A

Week 5

Antigen	ID50 titers (week 5)								Geometric Mean
	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer	805.4	559.3	149.3	588.2	174.1	145.1	203.2	360.5	304.1
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	636.9	358.8	2178.0	1002.0	555.2	322.9	299.4	1167.0	648.4
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	267.9	390.2	313.1	575.8	378.9	413.4	258.7	296.7	350.3

Week 11

Antigen	ID50 titers (week 11)								Geometric Mean
	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer	2117.0	560.6	254.4	521.5	188.7	430.2	369.3	377.3	453.2
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	494.5	392.0	734.2	747.4	275.3	643.8	365.2	759.9	518.6
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	1006.0	434.9	454.1	766.3	289.4	237.7	327.0	928.5	487.3

Week 17

Antigen	ID50 titers (week 17)								Geometric Mean
	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer	2106.0	1038.0	2482.0	641.1	505.0	437.0	3537.0	2352.0	1260.8
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	1000.0	2501.0	2393.0	1580.0	329.2	2587.0	875.5	1415.0	1333.1
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	513.1	205.2	2961.0	592.6	2154.0	693.4	1272.0	994.0	876.7

Statistical analysis

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w5)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	ns	0.0919
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.9982
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.0824

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w11)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	ns	0.9676
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.9724
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.9998

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w17)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	ns	0.9938
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.618
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.6831

g Week-17 sera of individual mice immunized with EBOV vaccines neutralizing a SUDV Gulu strain

Mouse serum neutralizing ID$_{50}$ titers

Week 17	Antigen	ID50 titers (week 17)								Geometric Mean
		M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
	EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer	1530.0	407.3	2200.0	113.8	341.2	323.2	1236.0	726.5	593.8
	EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	956.0	759.0	403.8	2580.0	489.0	1564.0	301.3	647.6	761.3
	EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	512.3	265.2	1198.0	608.8	1006.0	765.2	662.5	1824.0	742.3

Statistical analysis

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w17)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	ns	0.9497
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	>0.9999
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.9453

h Week-17 sera of individual mice immunized with EBOV vaccines neutralizing a BDBV Uganda strain

Mouse serum neutralizing ID$_{50}$ titers

Week 17	Antigen	ID50 titers (week 17)								Geometric Mean
		M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
	EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer	1344.0	7809.0	5137.0	3217.0	1631.0	411.3	3729.0	7747.0	2759.4
	EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	149.6	394.3	1109.0	1525.0	115.1	1174.0	261.1	5895.0	616.1
	EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	<100	<100	1332.0	356.1	1397.0	240.1	352.0	<100	561.9

Statistical analysis

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w17)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	*	0.0469
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	**	0.0076
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.6882

i **Sera of individual mice immunized with SUDV vaccines binding to SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0) trimer**

j **Mouse serum ELISA EC$_{50}$ titers**

Week 2

Antigen	EC50 titers (week 2)								Geometric Mean
	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer	69.8	20.2	50.0	149.7	116.9	122.4	68.1	55.0	69.8
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	1058.0	1223.0	1977.0	1062.0	1419.0	2123.0	2262.0	17.9	871.0
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	550.3	700.2	876.2	893.5	373.7	741.1	903.2	940.0	718.4

Week 5

Antigen	EC50 titers (week 5)								Geometric Mean
	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer	16436	19941	7907	60277	25656	19754	9992	15619	18259.2
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	177305	230404	159220	79353	157784	47895	82714	6921	82910.4
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	42731	93470	42715	31125	87027	36180	35115	8482	38650.3

Week 11

Antigen	EC50 titers (week 11)								Geometric Mean
	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer	51852	34819	59219	58035	92570	20182	108658	56856	53935.6
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	427238	688825	479499	349324	289258	121660	264183	173015	307186.5
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	12804	573418	373590	88061	1405850	379235	21591	471753	183962.3

Week 17

Antigen	EC50 titers (week 17)								Geometric Mean
	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer	132375	104284	117314	112501	78562	31328	174100	161747	102958.9
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	150503	150658	156743	142867	124345	229353	218325	86164	151148.0
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	108351	204158	120591	200895	248727	170555	157838	144221	163771.7

Statistical analysis

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w2)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	****	<0.0001
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	*	0.0169
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	*	0.0207

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w5)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	**	0.0016
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.5472
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	*	0.0187

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w11)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	ns	0.1259
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.0502
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.885

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w17)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	ns	0.1724
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.0653
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.8627

k **Week-17 sera of individual mice immunized with SUDV vaccines binding to EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0) trimer**

Mouse serum ELISA EC$_{50}$ titers

	Antigen	EC50 titers (week 17)								Geometric Mean
		M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
Week 17	SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer	22131	6105	19939	4814	4809	6529	22832	16822	10574.9
	SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	74857	17696	20913	30182	25142	26898	49408	11012	27290.2
	SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	12210	55319	13273	35138	19190	57302	38054	13336	25446.4

Statistical analysis

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w17)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	ns	0.0832
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.1177
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.9817

l **Week-17 sera of individual mice immunized with SUDV vaccines binding to RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT(1TD0) trimer**

Mouse serum ELISA EC$_{50}$ titers

	Antigen	Absorbance (450 nm) (week 17)								Geometric Mean
		M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
Week 17	SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer	1.3	0.8	0.5	0.4	0.7	1.0	0.4	0.9	0.7
	SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	0.9	1.1	2.0	1.1	1.8	2.2	2.1	1.0	1.4
	SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	2.0	2.4	0.5	1.9	2.4	2.0	2.0	1.9	1.7

Statistical analysis

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w17)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	*	0.0149
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	***	0.0005
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.338

m   Sera of individual mice immunized with SUDV vaccines neutralizing a SUDV Gulu strain

n   Mouse serum neutralizing ID$_{50}$ titers

Week 2

Antigen	ID50 titers (week 2)								Geometric Mean
	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	N/A
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	<100	<100	<100	<100	331.1	<100	<100	<100	N/A
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	<100	<100	107.2	<100	<100	<100	<100	<100	N/A

Week 5

Antigen	ID50 titers (week 5)								Geometric Mean
	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer	420	3076	156.6	2417	1377	1896	5149	1477	1328.6
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	5677	1634	1754	2420	5081	4212	1332	355.5	2114.1
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	1582	2485	4102	2862	1119	843.6	2506	584.4	1681.6

Week 11

Antigen	ID50 titers (week 11)								Geometric Mean
	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer	13810	4694	2805	3670	2858	2497	14410	3069	4628.4
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	2835	3130	5528	3311	3940	4935	2323	3352	3538.7
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	889.3	10154	1391	2424	6257	808.9	1524	7608	2549.8

Week 17

Antigen	ID50 titers (week 17)								Geometric Mean
	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer	1389	3550	2017	1006	1354	931.1	6329	2409	1929.8
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	2035	928.9	1546	1147	2291	2536	1215	1753	1593.1
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	1853	2507	1746	4395	1648	7166	1695	2160	2503.1

Statistical analysis

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w5)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	ns	0.5769
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.9998
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.5879

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w11)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	ns	0.4294
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.4956
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.9925

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w17)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	ns	0.6592
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.7862
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.2916

o   Week-17 sera of individual mice immunized with SUDV vaccines neutralizing an EBOV Makona strain

Mouse serum neutralizing ID$_{50}$ titers

	Antigen	ID50 titers (week 17)								Geometric Mean
		M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
Week 17	SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer	1073	1510	3312	230.5	2932	1345	1075	2621	1387.6
	SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	4144	1304	687.5	217	758.8	964.7	297	2453	899.9
	SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	1214	1567	467.4	296.9	336.4	271	990.7	2370	698.3

Statistical analysis

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w17)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	ns	0.7312
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.2983
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.7257

p   Week-17 sera of individual mice immunized with SUDV vaccines neutralizing a BDBV Uganda strain

Mouse serum neutralizing ID$_{50}$ titers

	Antigen	ID50 titers (week 17)								Geometric Mean
		M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
Week 17	SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer	126.7	26.1	1237.0	165.3	985.6	518.9	543.9	613.3	322.0
	SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	1504.0	174.5	356.0	156.5	1298.0	151.8	35.5	1393.0	330.6
	SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	580.4	9.7	69.0	1085.0	656.4	<100	<100	1280.0	185.5

Statistical analysis

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w17)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	ns	0.913
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.9893
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	ns	0.8492

q **Sera of individual mice immunized with RAVV vaccines binding to RAVV GPΔmuc-P²CT(1TD0) trimer**

Mouse serum ELISA EC₅₀ titers

Antigen	EC50 titers								Geometric Mean
	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
RAVV GPΔmuc-P²CT trimer-w2	718.9	721.9	432.3	1030.0	946.3	262.3	481.5	958.5	635.1
RAVV GPΔmuc-P²CT trimer-w5	202735	1544554	746406	628189	447117	44771	446178	225949	362215.2
RAVV GPΔmuc-P²CT trimer-w11	139135	218951	208199	104125	998580	786127	408247	853062	340466.6
RAVV GPΔmuc-P²CT trimer-w17	140811	110900	164905	119990	336478	344895	127509	141835	168457.1

r **Week-17 sera of individual mice immunized with RAVV vaccines binding to EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴(1TD0) trimer**

Mouse serum ELISA EC₅₀ titers

Antigen	EC50 titers (week 17)								Geometric Mean
	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
RAVV GPΔmuc-P²CT trimer	177.5	537.5	197.8	459.9	1477.0	1430.0	182.7	422.8	440.4

s **Week-17 sera of individual mice immunized with RAVV vaccines binding to SUDV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴(1TD0) trimer**

Mouse serum ELISA EC₅₀ titers

Antigen	Absorbance (450 nm) (week 17)								Geometric Mean
	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
RAVV GPΔmuc-P²CT trimer	1.6	1.9	1.5	2.6	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.1

t **Week-17 IgG samples of individual mice immunized with RAVV vaccines neutralizing a MARV Angola strain**

Week 17 mouse IgG neutralization

Virus strains	IC50 (µg/mL)								Geometric Mean
	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
MARV-Angola	56.2	81.4	93.3	104.4	30.9	40.3	148.4	71.8	70.2

u **Week-17 sera of individual mice immunized with RAVV vaccines neutralizing three ebolavirus strains**

Fig. S10. Immunogenicity of EBOV, SUDV, and RAVV GPΔmuc vaccines in mice. (**a**) ELISA curves of mouse sera from EBOV GPΔmuc trimer and SApNP vaccine groups (n = 8 mice/group) binding to the coating antigen, EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0) trimer (**b**) (Top) Summary of geometric means of EC$_{50}$ titers measured for Ebola GPΔmuc vaccine groups against EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0) trimer. Color coding indicates the level of EC$_{50}$ titers (green to red: low to high binding). (Bottom) Summary of statistical analysis performed for each timepoint. Of note, the EC$_{50}$ values at week 2 were derived by setting the minimum/maximum OD$_{450}$ values to 0.0/2.8. (**c**) ELISA curves of mouse sera from EBOV GPΔmuc vaccine groups at week 17 after four immunizations binding to SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0) trimer. Summary of geometric means of EC$_{50}$ titers and statistical analysis. (**d**) ELISA curves of mouse sera from Ebola GPΔmuc vaccine groups at week 17 after four immunizations binding to RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT(1TD0) trimer. Summary of absorbance at 450 nm (A450) values was included. (**e**) Neutralization curves of mouse sera from EBOV GPΔmuc trimer and SApNP vaccine groups against EBOV Makona pseudovirus. (**f**) (Top) Summary of geometric means of ID$_{50}$ titers measured for EBOV GPΔmuc vaccine groups against EBOV Makona pseudovirus. Color coding indicates the level of ID$_{50}$ titers (white: no neutralization; green to red: low to high neutralization). Of note, the ID$_{50}$ values were derived by setting the minimum/maximum %neutralization to 0.0/100.0 as constraints. (Bottom) Summary of statistical analysis as in (**b**). (**g**) Neutralization curves of mouse sera from EBOV GPΔmuc vaccine groups at week 17 against SUDV Gulu pseudovirus. Summary of geometric means of ID$_{50}$ values and statistical analysis. (**h**) Neutralization curves of mouse sera from EBOV GPΔmuc vaccine groups at week 17 against BDBV Uganda pseudovirus. Summary of geometric means of ID$_{50}$ values and statistical analysis. (**i**) ELISA curves of mouse sera from SUDV GPΔmuc trimer and SApNP vaccine groups binding to SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0) trimer. (**j**) (Top) Summary of geometric means of EC$_{50}$ titers measured for SUDV GPΔmuc vaccine groups against SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0) trimer. (Bottom) Summary of statistical analysis as in (**b**). Of note, the EC$_{50}$ values at week 2 were derived by setting the minimum/maximum OD$_{450}$ values to 0.0/2.9. (**k**) ELISA curves of mouse sera from SUDV GPΔmuc vaccine groups at week 17 after four immunizations binding to EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0) trimer. Summary of geometric means of EC$_{50}$ titers and statistical analysis. (**l**) ELISA curves of mouse sera from SUDV GPΔmuc vaccine groups at week 17 after four immunizations binding to RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT(1TD0) trimer. Summary of A450 values was included. (**m**) Neutralization curves of mouse sera from SUDV GPΔmuc trimer and SApNP vaccine groups against SUDV Gulu pseudovirus. (**n**) (Top) Summary of geometric means of ID$_{50}$ titers measured for EBOV GPΔmuc vaccine groups against EBOV Makona pseudovirus. (Bottom) Summary of statistical analysis as in (**b**). (**o**) Neutralization curves of mouse sera from EBOV GPΔmuc vaccine groups at week 17 against EBOV Makona pseudovirus. Summary of geometric means of ID$_{50}$ values and statistical analysis. (**p**) Neutralization curves of mouse sera from EBOV GPΔmuc vaccine groups at week 17 against BDBV Uganda pseudovirus. Summary of geometric means of ID$_{50}$ values and statistical analysis. (**q**) (Top) ELISA curves of mouse sera from RAVV GPΔmuc trimer vaccine groups binding to RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT(1TD0) trimer. (Bottom) Summary of geometric means of EC$_{50}$ values. Of note, the EC$_{50}$ values at week 2 were derived by setting the minimum/maximum OD$_{450}$ values to 0.0/2.9. (**r**) ELISA curves of mouse sera from RAVV GPΔmuc vaccine groups at week 17 after four immunizations binding to EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0) trimer. Summary of geometric means of EC$_{50}$ titers. (**s**) ELISA curves of mouse sera from RAVV GPΔmuc vaccine groups at week 17 after four immunizations binding to SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0) trimer. Summary of A450 values was included. (**t**) Neutralization curves of purified IgG from RAVV GPΔmuc vaccine groups at week 17 against MARV Angola pseudovirus. Summary of IC$_{50}$ values. Left panel: sera from three naive mice showed nonspecific background in MARV Angola pseudovirus assays, suggesting that IgG purification is required to eliminate the nonspecific serum reactivity. (**u**) Neutralization curves of mouse sera from RAVV GPΔmuc vaccine groups at week 17 against various ebolavirus strains. Error bars represent the difference between these duplicate values at each concentration tested for each sample. EC$_{50}$, ID$_{50}$, and IC$_{50}$ values were calculated in GraphPad Prism 10.3.1. Data were analyzed using one-way ANOVA, followed by Tukey's multiple comparison post hoc test for each timepoint. For significance, ns (not significant), *$p < 0.05$, **$p < 0.01$, ***$p < 0.001$, and ****$p < 0.0001$.

a   Sera of individual mice immunized with glycan-modified EBOV vaccines binding to EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴(1TD0) trimer

b   Mouse serum ELISA EC$_{50}$ titers

Week 2

Antigen	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	Geometric Mean
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer	111.7	136.3	51.3	227.2	103.0	200.2	12.6	173.3	97.3
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif	283.7	255.1	119.5	248.0	423.8	133.4	239.1	141.3	212.1
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif/endo H	43.1	13.4	28.4	56.2	46.5	14.1	106.9	26.8	33.8
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	985.3	706.4	970.8	1772.0	271.5	336.1	3145.0	486.4	799.6
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP-Kif	2721.0	813.3	815.7	1046.0	678.3	2584.0	482.5	1166.0	1080.8
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP-Kif/endo H	126.0	84.5	104.9	95.8	122.8	69.1	50.0	51.4	83.4
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	30.1	101.8	43.0	37.9	172.4	80.7	91.5	115.6	72.1
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif	51.8	97.6	80.2	41.8	201.5	0.9	62.9	95.3	45.5

Week 5

Antigen	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	Geometric Mean
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer	52545	41735	104914	48787	27947	18271	26144	21434	36588
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif	38706	25086	21695	47634	99875	36855	27014	103907	42360
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif/endo H	35186	18238	8909	13634	13630	41752	29227	22113	20285
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP	199849	120954	303168	237335	74446	156667	282413	368341	195227
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP-Kif	241215	224657	335618	192147	216173	258075	406613	838779	300502
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP-Kif/endo H	141920	136153	48617	265817	117352	88543	56725	42434	94286
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP	58458	93275	140476	104463	128829	148277	70114	63709	95342
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif	180905	34224	63566	102618	42941	8255	57374	74974	52927

Week 11 or 8

Antigen	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	Geometric Mean
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-w11	26545	524033	69054	94400	39464	69865	68351	51944	73881
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif-w8	93214	195305	183599	116631	50918	193472	114590	89398	118674
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif/endo H-w8	31571	25030	7454	16954	21834	59045	72580	13927	24508
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP-w11	267135	163352	223491	606328	32762	143908	182928	233182	181722
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP-Kif-w8	153387	211525	149619	126857	158759	131151	152440	176520	155680
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP-Kif/endo H-w8	50455	81205	73372	89472	32112	55202	99817	102711	68571
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP-w11	703967	60730	178784	354031	97482	91294	82827	610293	182253
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif-w8	146649	66233	62594	129059	58475	142777	61089	366113	104890

Statistical analysis

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w2)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif	*	0.0276
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif/endo H	ns	0.0775
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif/endo H	***	0.0001

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w5)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif	ns	0.8381
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif/endo H	ns	0.2962
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif/endo H	ns	0.1137

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w2)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP-Kif	ns	0.8496
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP-Kif/endo H	*	0.0371
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP-Kif vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP-Kif/endo H	*	0.0112

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w5)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP-Kif	ns	0.2278
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP-Kif/endo H	ns	0.3186
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP-Kif vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 E2p SApNP-Kif/endo H	*	0.0119

Unpaired t test (w2)	Statistics	P Value
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif	ns	0.8507

Unpaired t test (w5)	Statistics	P Value
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif	ns	0.1978

c Sera of individual mice immunized with EBOV vaccines neutralizing an EBOV Makona strain

d Mouse serum neutralizing ID₅₀ titers

Week 5

Antigen	ID50 titers (week 5)								Geometric Mean
	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ trimer	805.4	559.3	149.3	588.2	174.1	145.1	203.2	360.5	304.1
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ trimer-Kif	685.5	234.7	577.4	443.0	708.5	285.4	407.7	489.1	449.3
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ trimer-Kif/endo H	383.7	299.7	227.6	199.9	271.6	298.0	132.4	145.5	231.2
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ E2p SApNP	636.9	358.8	2178.0	1002.0	555.2	322.9	299.4	1167.0	648.4
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ E2p SApNP-Kif	1414.0	1867.0	1249.0	1961.0	1107.0	963.3	2480.0	1201.0	1459.0
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ E2p SApNP-Kif/endo H	263.2	376.3	232.9	513.0	559.4	273.6	353.0	430.4	358.9
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ I3-01v9b SApNP	881.2	850.8	555.5	452.4	550.2	340.8	548.8	865.0	599.9
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif	267.9	390.2	313.1	575.8	378.9	413.4	258.7	296.7	350.3

Week 11 or 8

Antigen	ID50 titers (week 11 or 8)								Geometric Mean
	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ trimer-w11	2117.0	560.6	254.4	521.5	188.7	430.2	369.3	377.3	453.2
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ trimer-Kif-w8	370.3	204.5	1305	1425	578	911.8	569.1	448.8	609.1
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ trimer-Kif/endo H-w8	192.8	287.4	217.4	178.6	171.6	351.1	636.2	175.4	248.3
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ E2p SApNP-w11	494.5	392.0	734.2	747.4	275.3	643.8	365.2	759.9	518.6
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ E2p SApNP-Kif-w8	1031	562.3	594.7	902.2	273	393.9	416.3	408.9	524.1
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ E2p SApNP-Kif/endo H-w8	179.2	499.6	538.7	486.6	301.2	292.4	649.2	772.1	423.6
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ I3-01v9b SApNP-w11	1006.0	434.9	454.1	766.3	289.4	237.7	327.0	928.5	487.3
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif-w8	562.9	429.3	326.9	281.2	376.1	1462	459.4	603.8	491.2

Statistical analysis

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w5)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ trimer-Kif	ns	0.489
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ trimer vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ trimer-Kif/endo H	ns	0.3549
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ trimer-Kif vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ trimer-Kif/endo H	*	0.0453

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w5)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ E2p SApNP vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ E2p SApNP-Kif	*	0.02
IV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ E2p SApNP vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ E2p SApNP-Kif/endo H	ns	0.1792
GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ E2p SApNP-Kif vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ E2p SApNP-Kif/endo H	***	0.0003

Unpaired t test (w5)	Statistics	P Value
V GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ I3-01v9b SApNP vs. EBOV GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴ I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif	**	0.0055

Figure S11

e **Sera of individual mice immunized with wildtype/glycan-modified SUDV vaccines binding to SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0) trimer**

SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif/endo H

Week 2 · Week 5 · Week 8 · Week 11

Legend: M1, M2, M3, M4, M5, M6, M7, M8

f Mouse serum ELISA EC$_{50}$ titers

Week 2

Antigen	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	Geometric Mean
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer	69.8	20.2	50.0	149.7	116.9	122.4	68.1	55.0	69.8
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif	714.8	192.9	605.3	591.0	412.8	343.0	419.8	362.8	425.0
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif/endo H	23.3	24.5	44.7	15.7	72.2	19.6	50.5	36.9	31.8
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP	527.1	474.8	583.8	1483.0	2336.0	1545.0	475.4	1316.0	914.5
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-Kif	2482.0	5568.0	2483.0	4798.0	4273.0	4408.0	3878.0	4312.0	3884.6
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-Kif/endo H	271.0	99.3	330.9	99.8	124.0	375.7	234.7	410.6	211.4
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP	469.6	479.9	387.3	115.2	890.0	616.4	586.8	503.1	448.2
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif	1206.0	1067.0	961.1	1644.0	1098.0	1237.0	1839.0	2248.0	1355.8
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif/endo H	49.8	73.8	77.8	80.5	20.8	N/A	38.4	65.2	53.1

Week 5

Antigen	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	Geometric Mean
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer	16436	19941	7907	60277	25656	19754	9992	15619	18259.2
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif	187796	83838	82374	256237	143796	100245	199748	272537	150326.2
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif/endo H	337	8926	3406	6542	16601	6364	8124	13307	5439.3
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP	194403	254967	120302	189915	195340	209194	72385	116111	158028.4
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-Kif	328808	203797	637646	429942	440079	160965	596309	178438	329358.5
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-Kif/endo H	174902	82685	108551	129398	143808	261848	79238	345641	146267.1
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP	32933	27405	30608	50359	17406	34313	79188	83439	39124.1
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif	213630	375263	331165	484567	123702	233165	246351	324809	271692.3
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif/endo H	45679	26310	57270	55138	87196	N/A	138210	12630	47889.1

Week 11 or 8

Antigen	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	Geometric Mean
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-w11	51852	34819	59219	58035	92570	20182	108658	56856	53935.6
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif-w8	302797	144377	177306	198140	88084	235081	164275	185242	177101.1
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif/endo H-w8	50453	172980	18107	59100	58943	44125	87452	156514	65346.1
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-w8	299781	269350	317854	207812	165230	208403	120522	131427	203221.8
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-Kif-w8	192720	218683	292392	372944	179861	130425	179178	274004	219008.7
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-Kif/endo H-w8	180099	336638	152272	156367	145160	325977	149103	N/A	193576.0
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-w8	219021	293708	296644	131589	450528	1270551	122274	162786	270436.4
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif-w8	166508	138485	135652	171299	143035	129149	754862	196507	186573.4
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif/endo H-w8	71039	1261224	728092	170130	156138	N/A	198137	45999	206095.4

Statistical analysis

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w2)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif	****	<0.0001
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif/endo H	ns	0.6485
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif/endo H	****	<0.0001

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w5)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif	****	<0.0001
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif/endo H	ns	0.8066
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif/endo H	****	<0.0001

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w2)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-Kif	****	<0.0001
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-Kif/endo H	ns	0.0778
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-Kif vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-Kif/endo H	****	<0.0001

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w5)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-Kif	*	0.0103
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-Kif/endo H	ns	0.9984
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-Kif vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-Kif/endo H	**	0.0091

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w2)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif	****	<0.0001
IDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif/endo H	*	0.0224
V GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif/endo H	****	<0.0001

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w5)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif	****	<0.0001
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif/endo H	ns	0.903
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif/endo H	****	<0.0001

g   Sera of individual mice immunized with wildtype/glycan-modified SUDV vaccines neutralizing a SUDV Gulu strain

h   Mouse serum neutralizing ID$_{50}$ titers

Week 5

Antigen	ID50 titers (week 5)								Geometric Mean
	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer	420	3076	156.6	2417	1377	1896	5149	1477	1328.6
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif	1986	2709	8760	1522	736.6	4016	14183		3652.3
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif/endo H	243.4	6460	1691	3127	3197.0	463.3	1201.0	3265.0	1623.6
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP	3142	7835	3520	6205	3431	5382	3249	3187	4231.6
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-Kif	2877	873.4	2512	2311	7871	2706	2473	2186	2530.2
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-Kif/endo H	2075	721.3	713.9	1791	1742	2481	6384	3462	1917.5
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP	662.4	592.3	758.7	2268	682.9	642.8	4778	1402	1089.5
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif	4252	3819	4262	2863	5193	1734	651.4	2141	2657.6
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif/endo H	1023	1000	2652	1043	1287	N/A	3262	2177	1591.5

Week 11 or 8

Antigen	ID50 titers (week 11,8)								Geometric Mean
	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-w11	13810	4694	3670	2805	2858	2497	14410	3069	4628.4
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif-w8	6582	5258	16937	5674	3316	2649	5681	13235	6204.7
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif/endo H-w8	1035	6006	2560	2543	2847	1139	3639	3835	2557.7
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-w8	1224	4430	6202	11133	2887	4953	1083	6855	3757.6
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-Kif-w8	4414	880.9	2466	7047	10493	4060	2235	6092	3751.0
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-Kif/endo H-w8	2234	555.2	1224	2211	3512	1040	1615	N/A	1531.9
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-w8	739.1	911.5	343.7	1130	2675	9196	2305	1040	1407.8
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif-w8	3830	5923	6805	3469	12386	1653	2090	3103	4041.0
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif/endo H-w8	810.8	1367	1095	777.2	1388	N/A	2057	1791	1252.0

Statistical analysis

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w5)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif	ns	0.0934
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif/endo H	ns	0.9563
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4 trimer-Kif/endo H	ns	0.1577

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w5)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value		One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w8)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-Kif	ns	0.2678		SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-Kif	ns	0.9947
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-Kif/endo H	ns	0.0973		SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-Kif/endo H	ns	0.1006
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-Kif vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-Kif/endo H	ns	0.8296		SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-Kif vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD E2p SApNP-Kif/endo H	ns	0.1201

One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w5)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value		One-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test (w8)	Statistics	Adjusted P Value
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif	ns	0.0604		SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif	ns	0.1544
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif/endo H	ns	0.9009		SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif/endo H	ns	0.7712
SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif/endo H	ns	0.1599		SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif vs. SUDV GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4-PD I3-01v9b SApNP-Kif/endo H	*	0.0468

i **Sera of individual mice immunized with glycan-modified RAVV vaccines binding to RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT(1TD0) trimer**

j **Mouse serum ELISA EC$_{50}$ titers**

Week 2

Antigen	EC50 titers (week 2)								Geometric Mean
	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT trimer	718.9	721.9	432.3	1030.0	946.3	262.3	481.5	958.5	635.1
RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT trimer-Kif/endo H	1088.0	842.6	372.8	326.6	773.6	1455.0	1260.0	571.6	740.6

Week 5

Antigen	EC50 titers (week 5)								Geometric Mean
	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT trimer	202735	1544554	746406	628189	447117	44771	446178	225949	362215.2
RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT trimer-Kif/endo H	208318	261241	222068	150370	267446	198233	450054	211636	234603.9

Week 11 or 8

Antigen	EC50 titers (week 11,8)								Geometric Mean
	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT trimer-w11	139135	218951	208199	104125	998580	786127	408247	853062	340466.6
RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT trimer-Kif/endo H-w8	770620	683058	388118	292655	294767	621323	524297	273292	446120.6

Week 17 or 11

Antigen	EC50 titers (week 17,11)								Geometric Mean
	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	
RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT trimer-w17	140811	110900	164905	119990	336478	344895	127509	141835	168457
RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT trimer-Kif/endo H-w11	125144	295308	212027	173036	313400	398840	295603	237268	242316

Statistical analysis

Unpaired t test (w2)	Statistics	P Value
RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT trimer vs. RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT trimer-Kif/endo H	ns	0.4307

Unpaired t test (w5)	Statistics	P Value
RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT trimer vs. RAVV GPΔmuc-P^{2}CT trimer-Kif/endo H	ns	0.1079

k **Purified IgG of individual mice immunized with RAVV vaccines neutralizing a MARV Angola strain**

Fig. S11. Immunogenicity of glycan-modified EBOV, SUDV, and RAVV GP∆muc vaccines in mice. (**a**) ELISA curves of mouse sera from glycan-modified EBOV GP∆muc trimer and SApNP vaccine groups (n = 8 mice/group) binding to EBOV GP∆muc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0) trimer. (**b**) (Top) Summary of geometric means of EC$_{50}$ titers measured for glycan-modified EBOV GP∆muc vaccine groups against EBOV GP∆muc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0) trimer. Color coding indicates the level of EC$_{50}$ titers (green to red: low to high binding). (Bottom) Summary of statistical analysis performed for each timepoint. Of note, the EC$_{50}$ values at week 2 were derived by setting the minimum/maximum OD$_{450}$ values to 0.0/2.8. (**c**) Neutralization curves of mouse sera from glycan-modified EBOV GP∆muc trimer and SApNP vaccine groups against EBOV Makona pseudovirus. (**d**) (Top) Summary of geometric means of ID$_{50}$ titers measured for EBOV GP∆muc vaccine groups against EBOV Makona pseudovirus. Color coding indicates the level of ID$_{50}$ titers (white: no neutralization; green to red: low to high neutralization). Of note, the ID$_{50}$ values were derived by setting the minimum/maximum %neutralization to 0.0/100.0 as constraints. (Bottom) Summary of statistical analysis. (**e**) ELISA curves of mouse sera from glycan-modified SUDV GP∆muc trimer and SApNP vaccine groups binding to SUDV GP∆muc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0) trimer. (**f**) (Top) Summary of geometric means of EC$_{50}$ titers measured for glycan-modified SUDV GP∆muc vaccine groups against SUDV GP∆muc-WL^{2}P^4(1TD0) trimer. (Bottom) Summary of statistical analysis. Of note, the EC$_{50}$ values at week 2 were derived by setting the minimum/maximum OD$_{450}$ values to 0.0/2.9. (**g**) Neutralization curves of mouse sera from glycan-modified SUDV GP∆muc trimer and SApNP vaccine groups against SUDV Gulu pseudovirus. (**h**) (Top) Summary of geometric means of ID$_{50}$ titers measured for SUDV GP∆muc vaccine groups against SUDV Gulu pseudovirus. (Bottom) Summary of statistical analysis. (**i**) ELISA curves of mouse sera from glycan modified RAVV GP∆muc trimer vaccine groups binding to RAVV GP∆muc-P^{2}CT(1TD0) trimer. (**j**) (Top) Summary of geometric means of EC$_{50}$ titers measured for glycan-modified RAVV GP∆muc vaccine groups against RAVV GP∆muc-P^{2}CT(1TD0) trimer. (Bottom) Summary of statistical analysis. Of note, the EC$_{50}$ values at week 2 were derived by setting the minimum/maximum OD$_{450}$ values to 0.0/2.9. (**k**) Neutralization curves of purified mouse IgG from glycan-modified RAVV GP∆muc vaccine groups after four immunizations at week 17 or week 11 against MARV Angola or various ebolavirus strains. Lymphocytic choriomeningitis virus (LCMV) was included as a negative control to confirm the cross-NAb responses measured using purified IgG. Error bars represent the difference between these duplicate values at each concentration tested for each sample. EC$_{50}$ and ID$_{50}$ values were calculated in GraphPad Prism 10.3.1. Data were analyzed using one-way ANOVA, followed by Tukey's multiple comparison post hoc test for each timepoint. For significance, ns (not significant), *$p < 0.05$, **$p < 0.01$, ***$p < 0.001$, and ****$p < 0.0001$.

Table S1. Data collection and refinement statistics for EBOV Mayinga GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴.

Data Collection	EBOV Mayinga GPΔmuc-WL²P⁴
Beamline	SSRL 12-1
Wavelength (Å)	0.97946
Resolution (Å)[a]	40.6 - 3.20 (3.29 - 3.20)
Space group	P321
Unit cell (Å)	114.47,114.47,133.38
(°)	90 90 120
Total reflections	189,316 (12,886)
Unique reflections	17,104 (815)
Multiplicity	11.1 (9.6)
Completeness (%)	99.8 (98.2)
Mean (I)/ σ_I	22.2 (1.2)
R_{merge} (%)	6.1 (>100)
R_{meas}[c] (%)	12.3 (>100)
R_{pim}[d] (%)	3.7 (69.3)
$CC_{1/2}$[e] (%)	99.8 (30.3)
Refinement	
Refinement resolution (Å)[a]	40.6 - 3.20 (3.29 - 3.20)
# reflections in refinement (work/free)	17,082 (1,323)
R_{work} (%)	21.5 (36.1)
R_{free} (%)	22.2 (33.0)
# Protein atoms	3,119
# Carbohydrate atoms	128
# Waters	0
# Protein residues	398
Bond r.m.s. deviation (Å)	0.013
Angle r.m.s. deviation (º)	1.60
Wilson B (Å²)	114
Average B protein (Å²)	119
carbohydrate (Å²)	156
Ramachandran favored, allowed, outliers (%)	96.1, 3.9, 0.0, 0.0
Clashscore[f]	8.2
PDB ID	9N8E

[a]Numbers in parentheses are for highest resolution shell
[b]R_{merge} = $\Sigma_{hkl} \Sigma_{i=1,n} |I_i(hkl) - \langle I(hkl) \rangle| / \Sigma_{hkl} \Sigma_{i=1,n} I_i(hkl)$
[c]R_{meas} = $\Sigma_{hkl} \sqrt{(n/n-1)} \Sigma_{i=1,n} |I_i(hkl) - \langle I(hkl) \rangle| / \Sigma_{hkl} \Sigma_{i=1,n} I_i(hkl)$
[d]R_{pim} = $\Sigma_{hkl} \sqrt{(1/n-1)} \Sigma_{i=1,n} |I_i(hkl) - \langle I(hkl) \rangle| / \Sigma_{hkl} \Sigma_{i=1,n} I_i(hkl)$
[e]$CC_{1/2}$ = Pearson correlation coefficient between two random half datasets
[f]Number of unfavorable all-atom steric overlaps ≥ 0.4 Å per 1000 atoms

Table S2. Cryo-EM data collection information, model building, and refinement statistics.

Data collection information	SUDV Gulu GPΔmuc-WL^{2}P^4/CA45 Fab
Microscope	Titan Krios G4
Voltage (keV)	200
Detector	Falcon 4 camera with a Selectris-X energy filter
Recording mode	Counting
Magnification	130,000 x
Movie micrograph pixel size	0.89
Total dose (e−/Å^2)	50
Under focus range (μm)	-1.0 to -2.0 um
Number of movie micrographs	1,824
Model building and refinement statistics	
Map Resolution (Å)	3.13
Residues	
Amino-acids	1473
Carbohydrates	9
RMSD Bonds (Å)	0.003
RMSD Angles (º)	0.746
Ramachandran	
Outliers (%)	0.00
Allowed (%)	7.21
Favored (%)	92.8
Rotamer outliers	1.67
Clash score	8.98
Molprobity score	2.10
PDB ID	9N8F
EMDB ID	EMD-49127