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(54) COMPOSITIONS AND USE OF A
FIBRINOGEN BINDING MOTIF PRESENT IN
EFB AND COA FOR THERAPEUTICS AND
VACCINES AGAINST STAPHYLOCOCCUS
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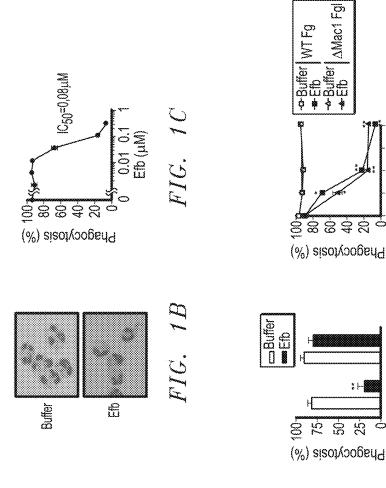
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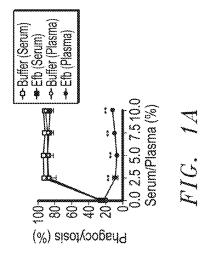
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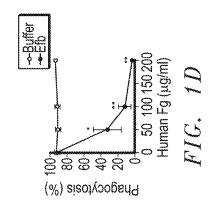
(57) ABSTRACT

The present disclosure provides methods and composition including vaccines, monoclonal antibodies, polyclonal antibodies, chimeric molecule of an extracellular fibrinogen binding protein (Efb) and targeted agent delivery pharmaceutical composition comprising at least a portion of a modified N-terminus region, at least a portion of a modified C-terminus region, or both, wherein the modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein results in inhibiting the fibringen binding, C3 binding, or both or administering to a subject a pharmacologically effective amount of a vaccine in a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient, comprising a modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein comprising at least a portion of a modified N-terminus region, at least a portion of a modified C-terminus region, or both, wherein the modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein results in not shielding the staphylococcus bacterium from recognition by a phagocytic receptor.

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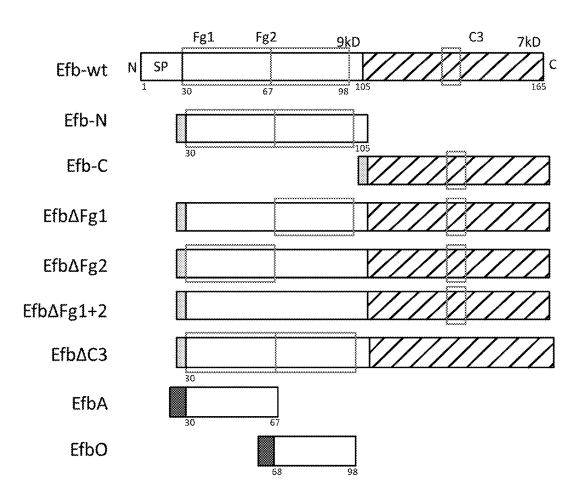


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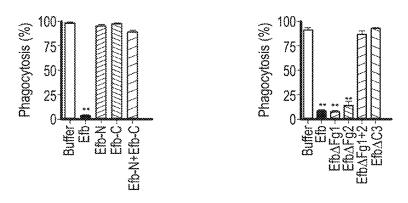
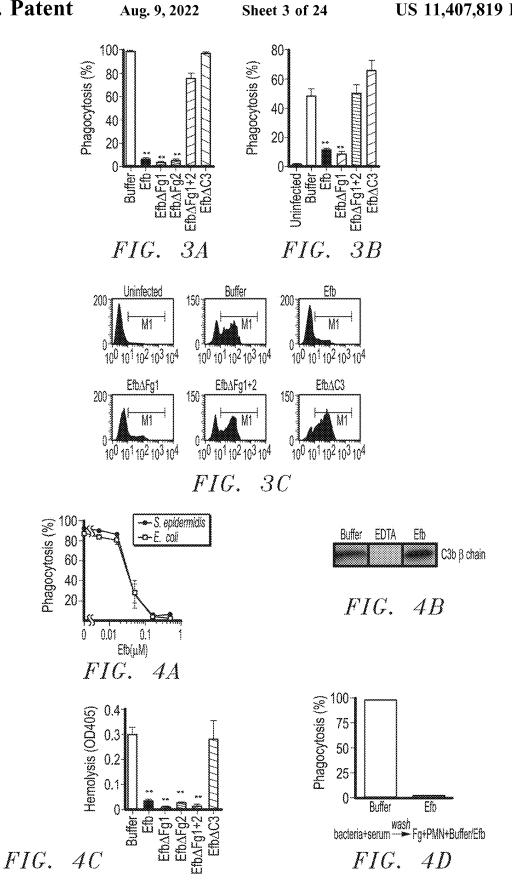
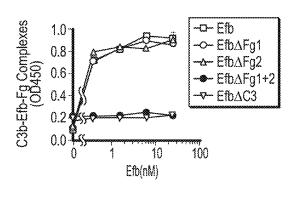
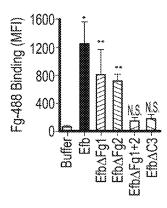


FIG. 2B

FIG. 2C



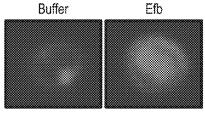


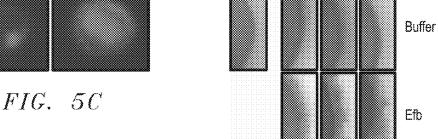


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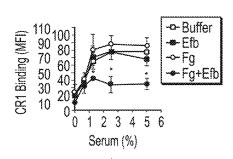
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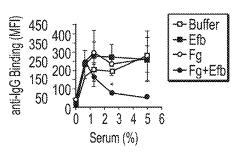
FIG.5B





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FIG. 6A

FIG. 6B

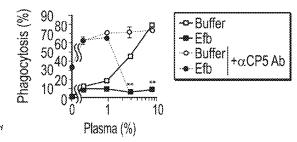
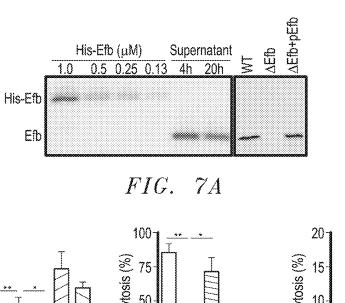
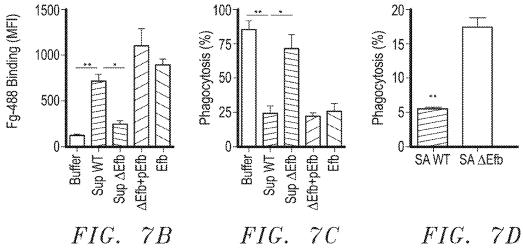


FIG. 6C





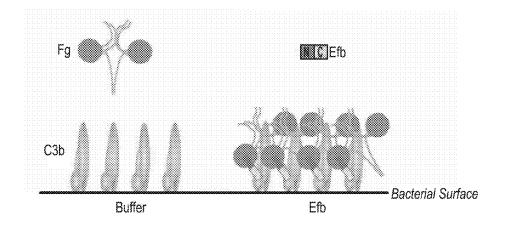


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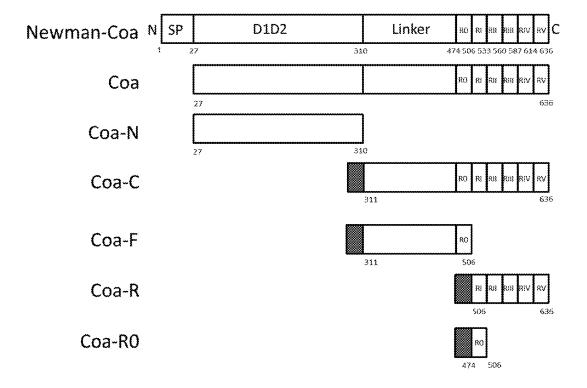
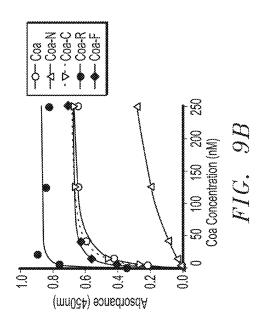
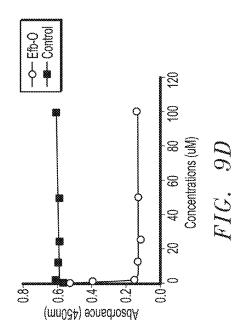


FIG. 9A

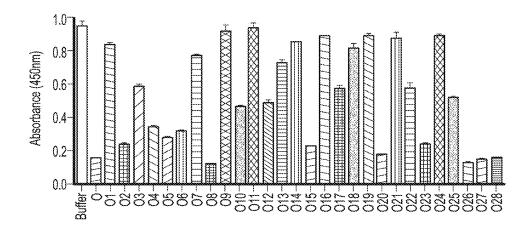




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$K_{m}(\cap M)$	8.9	203.6	7.5	0.8	3.2
Protein	Coa	Coa-N	Coa-C	Coa-R	Coa-F

SEQ ID Number	PEPTIDE Sequence	Name
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SEQ ID NO: 4	K A IKFKHDYNILEFNDGTFEYGARPQFN	02
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SEQ ID NO: 8	KYIKF A HDYNILEFNDGTFEYGARPQFN	06
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FIG. 10A



SEQID NO: 2 KYIKFKHDYNILEFNDGTFEYGARPQFN

FIG. 10B

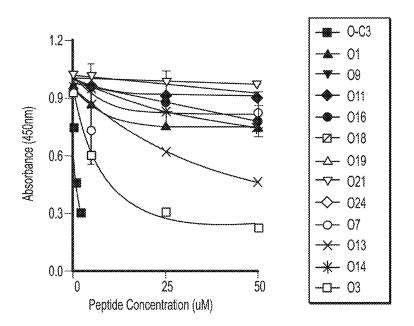


FIG. 10C

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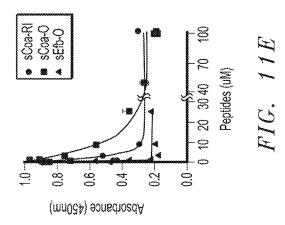
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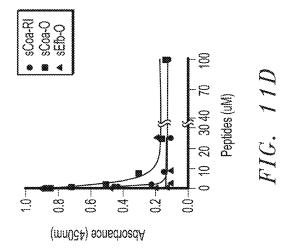
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FIG. 11C





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SEQ ID NO:34	ETNAYNVTTHANGQVSYGARPTYKKPS	Coa-RI
SEQ ID NO:35	A TNAYNVTTHANGQVSYGARPTYKKPS	Coa-RI-1
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SEQ ID NO:37	ET A AYNVTTHANGQVSYGARPTYKKPS	Coa-RI-3
SEQ ID NO:38	ETN S YNVTTHANGQVSYGARPTYKKPS	Coa-RI-4
SEQ ID NO:39	ETNA A NVTTHANGQVSYGARPTYKKPS	Coa-RI-5
SEQ ID NO:40	ETNAY A VTTHANGQVSYGARPTYKKPS	Coa-RI-6
SEQ ID NO:41	ETNAYN A TTHANGQVSYGARPTYKKPS	Coa-RI-7
SEQ ID NO:42	ETNAYNV A THANGQVSYGARPTYKKPS	Coa-RI-8
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SEQ ID NO:47	ETNAYNYTTHAN A QVSYGARPTYKKPS	Coa-RI-13
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FIG. 12A

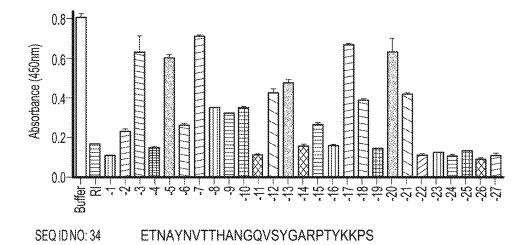


FIG. 12B

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Efb-O	SEQ	ÎD	NO:1	KY IKFKHD Y NI LE FND G TFE YGARP QFNKPA
Coa-RI	SEQ	ID	NO:34	ETNA Y NVTT <i>H</i> AN G QVS YG A RP TYKKPS

FIG. 12C

SEQ ID NO:63	474	KYVKYRDAGTGIREYNDGTFGYEARPRFNKPS	506
SEQ ID NO:225	506	ET N A Y N V TTHANGQVS Y GA R PTYKKPS	532
SEQ ID NO:226	533	ET N A Y N V TTHANGQVS Y GA R PTQNKPS	559
SEQ ID NO:227	560	$\mathrm{KT}\mathbf{N}\mathtt{A}\mathbf{Y}\mathtt{N}\mathbf{V}\mathtt{TTHGNGQVS}\mathbf{Y}\mathtt{GA}\mathbf{R}\mathtt{PTQNKPS}$	586
SEQ ID NO:228	5.87	$\mathrm{KT}\mathbf{N}\mathrm{A}\mathbf{Y}\mathrm{N}\mathbf{V}\mathrm{T}\mathrm{THANGQVS}\mathbf{Y}\mathrm{GA}\mathbf{R}\mathrm{P}\mathrm{T}\mathrm{Y}\mathrm{KKPS}$	613
SEQ ID NO:229	614	$KT\mathbf{N}A\mathbf{Y}N\mathbf{V}TTHADGTAT\mathbf{Y}GP\mathbf{R}VTK$	636

FIG. 12D

sCoa RI ₄ Coa _{499 525} SEQ ID NO: 64	PRFNKPSETNAYNVTTHANGQVSYGAR
sCoa RI ₃ Coa _{502 528} SEQ ID NO: 65	NKPSETNAYNVTTHANGQVSYGARPTY
sCoa RI Coa _{506 537} SEQ ID NO: 34	ETNAYNVTTHANGQVSYGARPTYKKPS
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FIG. 13A

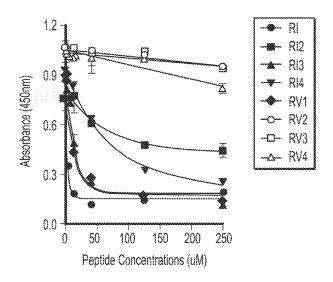
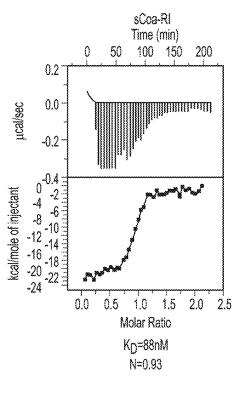


FIG. 13B



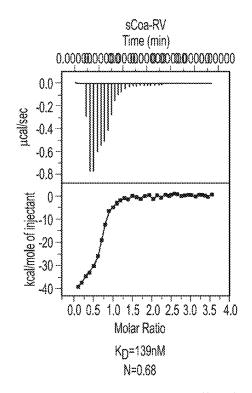
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FIG. 14A

FIG. 14B

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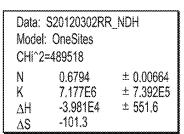


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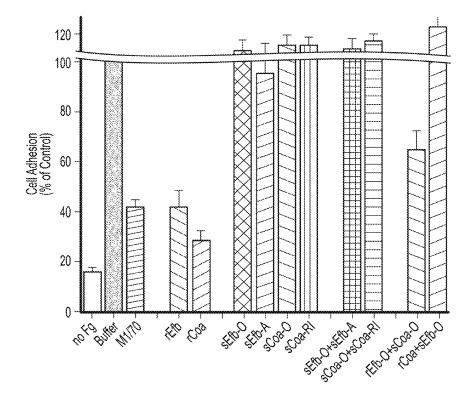
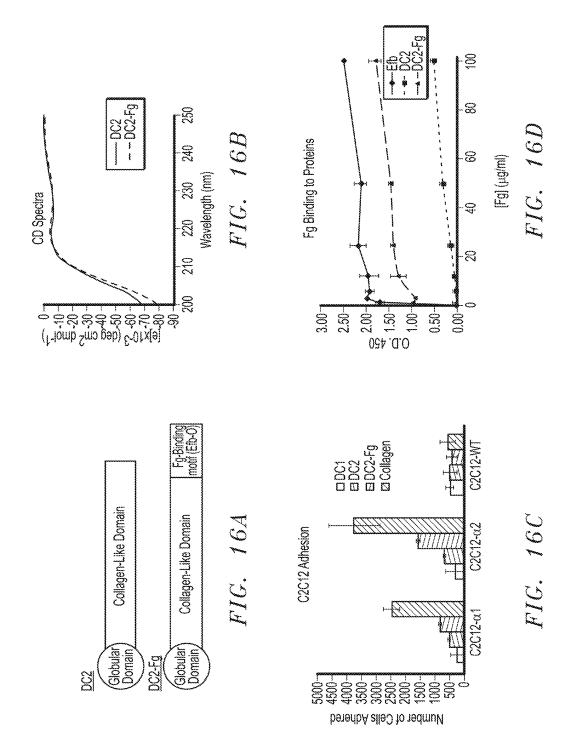


FIG. 15



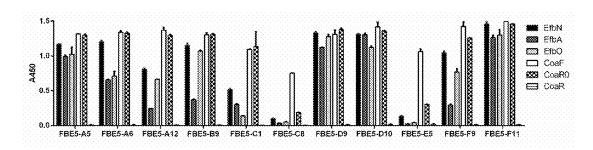


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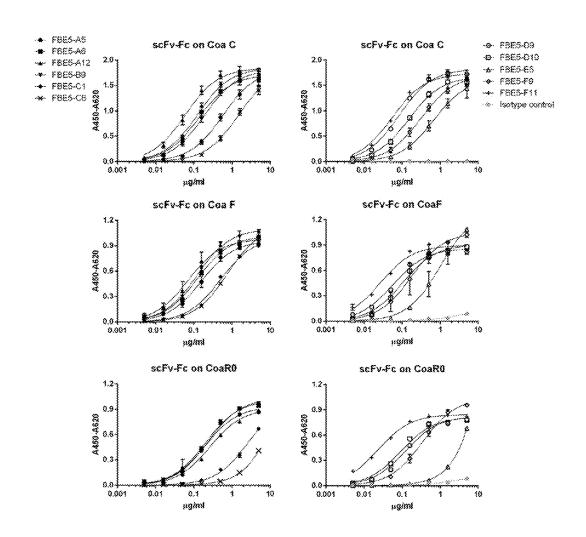


FIG. 18

ANTIBODY	K _d app (M) for CoaC	K _d app (M) for CoaF	K _d app (M) for CoaR0
FBE5-A5	5.34 x 10 ⁻⁹	1.47 x 10 ⁻⁹	1.86 x 10°
FBE5-A6	1.24 x 10 ⁻⁹	1.15 x 10 ⁹	1.9 × 10 ⁹
FBE5-A12	5.55 x 10 ⁻¹⁰	6.47 x 10 ¹⁰	2.44 x 10 ⁻⁹
FBE5-B9	1.74 x 10 ⁻⁹	1.12 x 10 ⁻⁹	2.19 x 10 ⁻⁹
FBE5-C1	1.13 x 10 °	4.59 x 10 ⁻⁹	2.43 x 10*
FBE5-C8	1.35 x 10 ⁻⁸	7 x 10 ⁻⁹	1.93 x 10 ⁻⁷
FBE5-D9	7.79 x 10 ⁻¹⁰	5.36 x 10 ⁻¹⁰	1.14 x 10 ⁻⁹
FBE5-D10	1.4 x 10 ⁻⁹	9.5 x 10 ⁻¹⁰	8.56 x 10 ⁻¹⁰
FBE5-E5	6.27 × 10 °	9.5 x 10°9	8.64 x 10 ⁷
FBE5-F9	2.85 x 10 ⁻⁹	1.63 x 10 ⁻⁹	3.16 x 10 ⁻⁹
FBE5-F11	5.13 x 10 ⁻¹⁰	2.44 x 10 ⁻¹⁰	2.13 x 10 ⁻¹⁰

FIG. 19

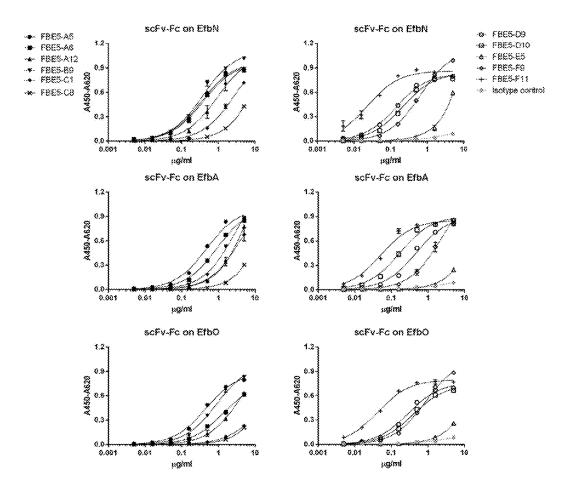


FIG. 20

ANTIBODY	K _d app (M) for EfbN	K _d app (M) for EfbA	K _d app (M) for EfbO	
FBE5-A5	3.24 x 10 ⁹	4.38 x 10 ⁹	4.27 x 10 ⁹	
FBE5-A6	3.54 x 10 ⁻⁹	8.54 x 10 ⁻⁹	1.3 × 10 ⁻⁸	
FBE5-A12	8.66 x 10 ⁹	7.28 x 10 ⁸	3.51 x 10 ⁻⁸	
FBE5-B9	3.45 x 10 ⁻⁹	2.59 x 10 ⁻⁸	8.27 x 10 ⁻⁹	
FBE5-C1	2.44 x 10 ⁻⁸	4.09 x 10 ⁸	ND	
FBE5-C8	1.7 x 10 ⁻⁷	ND	ND	
FBE5-D9	1.31 x 10 °	4.48 × 10 °	2.68 x 10 ⁻⁹	
FBE5-D10	1.97 x 10 ⁻⁹	1.57 x 10 ⁻⁹	3.65 x 10 ⁻⁹	
FBE5-E5	ND	ND	4.34 x 10 ⁻⁷	
FBE5-F9	6.01 x 10 ⁻⁹	2.15 x 10 ⁻⁸	7.97 x 10 ⁻⁹	
FBE5-F11	2.19 x 10 ⁻¹⁰	4.83 x 10 ¹⁰	3.96 x 10 ¹⁰	

FIG. 21

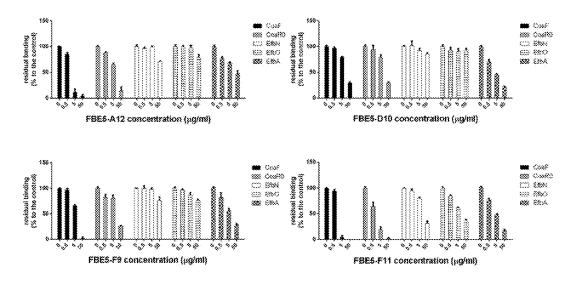


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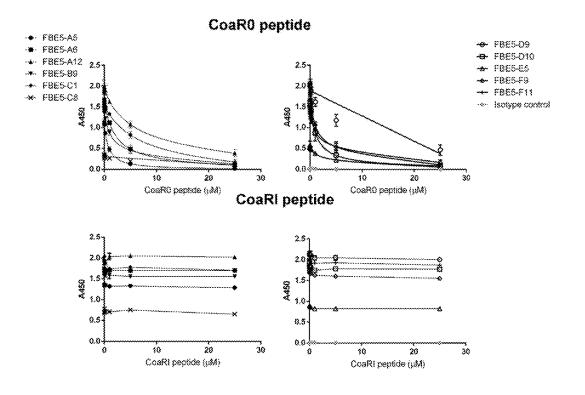


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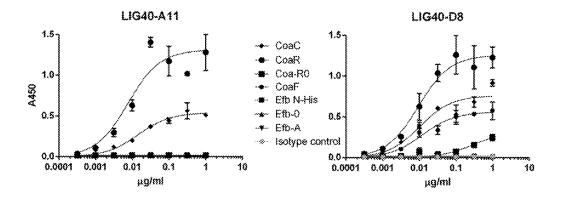


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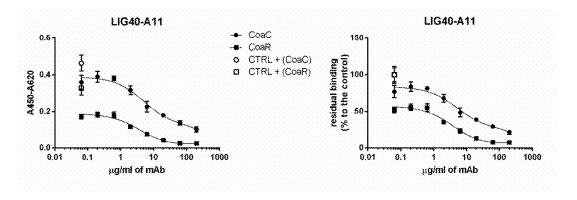


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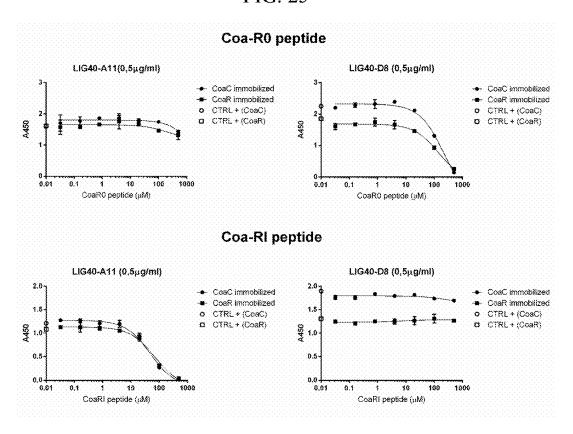


FIG. 26

ANTIBODY	K _d app (M) for CoaC	K _d app (M) for CoaR	K _d app (M) for CoaF	K _d app (M) for CoaRO
LIG40-A11	1.33 × 10 ⁻¹⁰	7.05 x 10 ⁻¹¹	ND	ND
LIG40-D8	9.39 x 10 ⁻¹¹	8.62 x 10 ⁻¹¹	1.12 x 10 ⁻¹⁰	2.52 × 10 ⁻⁹

FIG. 27

COMPOSITIONS AND USE OF A FIBRINOGEN BINDING MOTIF PRESENT IN EFB AND COA FOR THERAPEUTICS AND VACCINES AGAINST STAPHYLOCOCCUS AUREUS

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

The present application is a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. 371 patent application Ser. No. 15/029,896, filed Apr. 15, 2016, now abandoned, which is a National Stage of International Application No. PCT/US2014/060772, filed Oct. 15, 2014, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 61/891,233, filed Oct. 15, 2013. The contents of each of which are incorporated by reference in their entirety.

STATEMENT OF FEDERALLY FUNDED RESEARCH

Not applicable.

REFERENCE TO A SEQUENCE LISTING

The present application includes a Sequence Listing which has been submitted in ASCII format via EFS-Web and is herby incorporated by reference in its entirety. Said ASCII copy, created on Jun. 11, 2021 is named TAMU1055CIP_SL_TXT_061121 and is 106 KB in size.

TECHNICAL FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates generally to compositions and methods for preventing and treating human and animal ³⁵ diseases including, but not limited to, pathogens.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Without limiting the scope of the invention, its back- 40 ground is described in connection with compositions and methods of treating infection by pathogens. Pathogens present serious health concerns for all animals, including humans, farm livestock, and household pets. These health threats are exacerbated by the rise of strains that are resistant 45 to antibiotic treatment. Staphylococcus aureus is a leading cause of severe bacterial infections in both hospital and community settings. Due to its increasing resistance to antibiotics, development of additional therapeutic strategies like vaccination is required to control this pathogen. Vacci- 50 nation attempts against S. aureus have not been successful so far and an important reason may be the pathogen's elaborate repertoire of molecules that dampen the immune response. These evasion molecules not only suppress natural immunity but also hamper the current attempts to create effective 55 vaccines.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

In one embodiment, the present includes an antibody or 60 antigen binding fragment thereof that specifically binds an extracellular fibrinogen binding protein, wherein the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof comprises: (a) a heavy chain CDR1 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:131-134; a heavy chain CDR2 65 comprising the amino acid sequences selected from SEQ ID NOS:135-138; and a heavy chain CDR3 comprising the

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amino acid sequences selected from SEO ID NOS:139-165; and (b) a light chain CDR1 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:166-184; a light chain CDR2 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:185-201; and a light chain CDR3 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEO ID NOS:202-222. In one aspect, antibody is a full-length antibody. In another aspect, antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof is a humanized antibody. In another aspect, the antigen binding fragment comprises an Fab, a Fab', a F(ab')2, a single chain Fv (scFv), a disulfide linked Fv, an IgG-CH₂, a F(ab')₃, a tetrabody, a triabody, a diabody, a (scFv)₂, or a scFv-Fc. In another aspect, the extracellular fibringen binding protein is selected from Efb, Coa or both. In another aspect, the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof comprises a heavy chain variable domain comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS: 71-100 and a light chain variable domain comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:101-130. In another 20 aspect, the variable heavy chain and the variable light chain comprise, respectively SEQ ID NOS:71 and 101, 72 and 102, 73 and 103, 74 and 104, 75 and 105, 76 and 106, 77 and 107, 78 and 108, 79 and 109, 80 and 110, 81 and 111, 82 and 112, 83 and 113, 84 and 114, 85 and 115, 86 and 116, 87 and 117, 88 and 118, 89 and 110, 90 and 120, 91 and 121, 92 and 122, 93 and 123, 94 and 124, 95 and 125, 96 and 126, 97 and 127, 98 and 128, 99 and 129, or 100 and 130. In another aspect, antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof further comprises a collagen-like domain, a globular domain, or both. In another aspect, the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof further comprises a label selected from the group consisting of: a radiolabel, a fluorophore, a chromophore, an imaging agent and a metal ion, wherein the labeled antibody is a diagnostic reagent. In another aspect, the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof further comprises a therapeutic agent selected from an analgesic, an anti-histamine, an anti-inflammatory agent, an antibiotic, a chemotherapeutic, an immunosuppressant, a cytokine, an anti-proliferative, an antiemetic, or a cytotoxin.

In another embodiment, the present includes a method of making the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof comprising: (a) culturing a cell expressing said antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof, wherein the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof comprises: a heavy chain CDR1 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:131-134; a heavy chain CDR2 comprising the amino acid sequences selected from SEQ ID NOS:135-138; and a heavy chain CDR3 comprising the amino acid sequences selected from SEQ ID NOS:139-165); and a light chain CDR1 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:166-184; a light chain CDR2 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:185-201; and a light chain CDR3 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:202-222; and (b) isolating the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof from the cultured cell, wherein the cell is a eukaryotic cell. In one aspect, the variable heavy chain and the variable light chain comprise, respectively SEQ ID NOS:71 and 101, 72 and 102, 73 and 103, 74 and 104, 75 and 105, 76 and 106, 77 and 107, 78 and 108, 79 and 109, 80 and 110, 81 and 111, 82 and 112, 83 and 113, 84 and 114, 85 and 115, 86 and 116, 87 and 117, 88 and 118, 89 and 110, 90 and 120, 91 and 121, 92 and 122, 93 and 123, 94 and 124, 95 and 125, 96 and 126. 97 and 127, 98 and 128, 99 and 129, or 100 and 130.

In another embodiment, the present includes an immunoconjugate having the formula (A)-(L)-(C), wherein: (A) is the antibody or antigen binding fragment of claim ${\bf 1}$; (L) is

a linker; and (C) is a cytotoxic agent; wherein the linker (L) links (A) to (C) wherein the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof comprises: a heavy chain CDR1 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS: 131-134; a heavy chain CDR2 comprising the amino acid sequences selected from SEO ID NOS:135-138; and a heavy chain CDR3 comprising the amino acid sequences selected from SEQ ID NOS:139-165); and a light chain CDR1 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:166-184; a light chain CDR2 comprising the amino 10 acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:185-201; and a light chain CDR3 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:202-222. In one aspect, the linker is selected from the group consisting of a cleavable linker, a non-cleavable linker, a hydrophilic linker, and a 15 dicarboxylic acid-based linker. In another aspect, the linker is selected from the group consisting: N-succinimidyl 4-(2pyridyldithio)pentanoate (SPP) or N-succinimidyl 4-(2pyridyldithio)-2-sulfopentanoate (sulfo-SPP); N-succinim-4-(2-pyridyldithio)butanoate (SPDB) or 20 N-succinimidyl 4-(2-pyridyldithio)-2-sulfobutanoate (sulfo-SPDB); N-succinimidyl 4-(maleimidomethyl) cyclohexanecarboxylate (SMCC); N-sulfosuccinimidyl 4-(maleimcyclohexanecarboxylate idomethyl) (sulfoSMCC); N-succinimidyl-4-(iodoacetyl)-aminobenzoate (SIAB); and 25 N-succinimidyl-[(N-maleimidopropionamido)-tetraethyleneglycol] ester (NHS-PEG4-maleimide). In another aspect, the immunoconjugate further comprises a therapeutic agent selected from an analgesic, an anti-histamine, an anti-inflammatory agent, an antibiotic, a chemotherapeutic, an 30 immunosuppressant, a cytokine, an anti-proliferative, an antiemetic, or a cytotoxin. In another aspect, the immunoconjugate comprises: 2-6 (C), 3-4 (C), or has an average of about 3 to about 4 (C) per (A) or an average of about 3.5+/-0.5 (C) per (A). In another aspect, the e immunoconjugate further comprises a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

In another embodiment, the present includes a pharmaceutical composition comprising an antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof that specifically binds an extracel- 40 lular fibrinogen binding protein, wherein the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof comprises: (a) a heavy chain CDR1 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:131-134; a heavy chain CDR2 comprising the amino acid sequences selected from SEQ ID NOS: 45 135-138; and a heavy chain CDR3 comprising the amino acid sequences selected from SEQ ID NOS:139-165); and (b) a light chain CDR1 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:166-184; a light chain CDR2 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID 50 NOS:185-201; and a light chain CDR3 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:202-222; and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier. In one aspect, the variable heavy chain and the variable light chain comprise, respectively SEQ ID NOS:71 and 101, 72 and 102, 73 and 55 103, 74 and 104, 75 and 105, 76 and 106, 77 and 107, 78 and 108, 79 and 109, 80 and 110, 81 and 111, 82 and 112, 83 and 113, 84 and 114, 85 and 115, 86 and 116, 87 and 117, 88 and 118, 89 and 110, 90 and 120, 91 and 121, 92 and 122, 93 and 123, 94 and 124, 95 and 125, 96 and 126, 97 and 127, 98 and 60 128, 99 and 129, or 100 and 130.

In another embodiment, the present includes a pharmaceutical composition for use in the treatment of an infection comprises: a pharmacologically effective amount of a modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein in a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient, wherein the modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein comprises at least a

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portion of a N-terminus fibrinogen binding region, at least a portion of a C-terminus complement protein binding region, or both, wherein the modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein results in inhibiting the fibrinogen binding, C3 binding, the surface-bound complement protein, an antibody or combination thereof; or a pharmacologically effective amount of a monoclonal and/or polyclonal antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof that can specifically bind to a portion of a extracellular fibrinogen binding protein comprising a heavy and light chain variable regions that bind at least a portion of a N-terminus fibrinogen binding region of a extracellular fibrinogen binding protein, at least a portion of a C-terminus complement protein binding region of a extracellular fibrinogen binding protein, or both and results in the inhibition of fibrinogen binding, of complement protein binding, inhibition of the shielding of the staphylococcus bacterium from recognition by a phagocytic receptor or a combination thereof. In another aspect, the at least a portion of a N-terminus fibrinogen binding region is selected from SEQ ID NO: 3-61, preferably SEQ ID NO: 3-30 or SEQ ID NO: 35-61. In another aspect, the at least a portion of a N-terminus fibrinogen binding region is selected from SEQ ID NO: 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, and 61. In another aspect, the fibrinogen binding protein is Efb, Coa or both. In another aspect, the composition further comprises an antigen selected from SpA, SpA variant, Emp, EsxA, EsxB, EsaC, Eap, EsaB, Coa, vWbp, vWh, Ma, SdrC, SdrD, SdrE, IsdA, IsdB, IsdC, ClfA, ClfB, SasF, Sta006, Sta011, Hla, and EsxA-EsxB.

In another embodiment, the present includes a method for making a monoclonal antibody comprising the steps of: providing an effective amount of a composition comprising a modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein having a N-terminus modified fibrinogen binding protein that does not bind fibringen, a C-terminus modified complement binding protein that does not bind a complement protein or both; producing an antibody pool of the modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein, the C-terminus modified complement binding protein, or both; screening the antibody pool to detect active antibodies; wherein the active antibodies inhibit the fibrinogen binding to extracellular fibrinogen binding protein, wherein the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof comprises: a heavy chain CDR1 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS: 131-134; a heavy chain CDR2 comprising the amino acid sequences selected from SEQ ID NOS:135-138; and a heavy chain CDR3 comprising the amino acid sequences selected from SEQ ID NOS:139-165); and a light chain CDR1 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:166-184; a light chain CDR2 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:185-201; and a light chain CDR3 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEO ID NOS:202-222; separating the active antibodies; and adding the active antibodies to a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

In another embodiment, the present includes a method for making a vaccine comprising the steps of: providing an effective amount of a composition comprising a modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein having a N-terminus modified fibrinogen binding protein that does not bind fibrinogen, a C-terminus modified complement binding protein that does not bind a complement protein or both and further comprising an antigen selected from SpA, SpA variant, Emp, EsxA, EsxB, EsaC, Eap, EsaB, Coa, vWbp,

vWh, Hla, SdrC, SdrD, SdrE, IsdA, IsdB, IsdC, ClfA, ClfB, SasF, Sta006, Sta011, Hla, and EsxA-EsxB.

In another embodiment, the present includes a method of treating of a Staphylococcus bacterium infection comprising: providing a pharmacologically effective amount of a 5 monoclonal and/or polyclonal antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof that can specifically bind to a portion of a extracellular fibrinogen binding protein comprising antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof that specifically binds an extracellular fibrinogen binding protein, wherein the 10 antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof comprises: a heavy chain CDR1 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:131-134; a heavy chain CDR2 comprising the amino acid sequences selected from SEQ ID NOS:135-138; and a heavy chain CDR3 comprising the 15 amino acid sequences selected from SEQ ID NOS:139-165); and a light chain CDR1 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:166-184; a light chain CDR2 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:185-201; and a light chain CDR3 comprising the 20 amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:202-222, that inhibits fibrinogen binding, complement protein binding, inhibition of the shielding of the Staphylococcus bacterium from recognition by a phagocytic receptor, or a combination thereof. In one aspect, the variable heavy chain 25 and the variable light chain comprise, respectively SEQ ID NOS:71 and 101, 72 and 102, 73 and 103, 74 and 104, 75 and 105, 76 and 106, 77 and 107, 78 and 108, 79 and 109, 80 and 110, 81 and 111, 82 and 112, 83 and 113, 84 and 114, 85 and 115, 86 and 116, 87 and 117, 88 and 118, 89 and 110, 30 90 and 120, 91 and 121, 92 and 122, 93 and 123, 94 and 124, 95 and 125, 96 and 126, 97 and 127, 98 and 128, 99 and 129, or 100 and 130.

The present invention provides vaccine comprising: (a) a pharmacologically effective amount of a vaccine in a phar- 3 maceutically acceptable excipient, comprising a modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein comprising at least a portion of a modified N-terminus fibrinogen binding region, at least a portion of a modified C-terminus complement protein binding region, or both, wherein the modified 40 extracellular fibrinogen binding protein results in inhibiting the fibringen binding, C3 binding, or both; (b) a pharmacologically effective amount of a vaccine in a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient, comprising a modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein comprising at least a 45 portion of a modified N-terminus fibrinogen binding region, at least a portion of a modified C-terminus complement protein binding region, or both, wherein the modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein does not shield the surface-bound complement protein, an antibody or both from 50 recognition by a phagocytic receptor; or (c) a pharmacologically effective amount of a vaccine in a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient, comprising a modified extracellular fibringen binding protein comprising at least a portion of a modified N-terminus fibrinogen binding region, at least a 55 portion of a modified C-terminus complement protein binding region, or both, wherein the modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein does not shield the staphylococcus bacterium from recognition by a phagocytic receptor.

The present invention provides a chimeric molecule of an 60 extracellular fibrinogen binding protein (Efb) comprising: a N-terminus fibrinogen binding region that binds a fibrinogen; and a C-terminus complement protein binding region that binds a complement protein, wherein the chimeric molecule can modulate complement activity, modulate antibody binding, modulate recognition by a phagocytic receptor or a combination thereof.

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The present invention provides a monoclonal and/or polyclonal antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof that can specifically bind to a portion of a extracellular fibrinogen binding protein comprising a heavy and light chain variable regions that bind at least a portion of a N-terminus fibrinogen binding region of a extracellular fibrinogen binding protein, at least a portion of a C-terminus complement protein binding region of a extracellular fibrinogen binding protein, or both and results in the inhibition of fibrinogen binding, of complement protein binding, inhibition of the shielding of the staphylococcus bacterium from recognition by a phagocytic receptor or a combination thereof.

The present invention provides a pharmaceutical composition comprising a pharmacologically effective amount of a modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein in a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient, wherein the modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein comprises at least a portion of a N-terminus fibrinogen binding region, at least a portion of a C-terminus complement protein binding region, or both, wherein the modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein results in inhibiting the fibrinogen binding, C3 binding, the surface-bound complement protein, an antibody or combination thereof.

The present invention provides a pharmaceutical composition comprising a monoclonal and/or polyclonal antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof that can specifically bind to a portion of a extracellular fibrinogen binding protein comprising a heavy and light chain variable regions that bind at least a portion of a N-terminus fibrinogen binding region of a extracellular fibrinogen binding protein, at least a portion of a C-terminus complement protein binding region of a extracellular fibrinogen binding protein, or both and results in the inhibition of fibrinogen binding, of complement protein binding, inhibition of the shielding of the staphylococcus bacterium from recognition by a phagocytic receptor or a combination thereof.

The present invention provides a pharmaceutical composition for use in the treatment of an infection comprising (a) a pharmacologically effective amount of a modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein in a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient, wherein the modified extracellular fibringen binding protein comprises at least a portion of a N-terminus fibrinogen binding region, at least a portion of a C-terminus complement protein binding region, or both, wherein the modified extracellular fibringen binding protein results in inhibiting the fibrinogen binding, C3 binding, the surface-bound complement protein, an antibody or combination thereof, or (b) a pharmacologically effective amount of a monoclonal and/or polyclonal antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof that can specifically bind to a portion of a extracellular fibrinogen binding protein comprising a heavy and light chain variable regions that bind at least a portion of a N-terminus fibrinogen binding region of a extracellular fibrinogen binding protein, at least a portion of a C-terminus complement protein binding region of a extracellular fibringen binding protein, or both and results in the inhibition of fibrinogen binding, of complement protein binding, inhibition of the shielding of the staphylococcus bacterium from recognition by a phagocytic receptor or a combination thereof.

In another aspect, at least a portion of a N-terminus fibrinogen binding region may be selected from SEQ ID NO: 3-61, preferably SEQ ID NO: 3-30 or SEQ ID NO: 35-61. In one aspect, at least a portion of a N-terminus fibrinogen binding region may be selected from SEQ ID NO: 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39,

40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, and 61. The fibrinogen binding protein may be Efb, Coa or both. The composition may further include an antigen selected from SpA, SpA variant, Emp, EsxA, EsxB, EsaC, Eap, EsaB, Coa, vWbp, vWh, Hla, SdrC, 5drD, SdrE, IsdA, IsdB, IsdC, ClfA, ClfB, SasF Sta006, Sta011, Hla and EsxA-EsxB.

The present invention provides a pharmaceutical composition for the targeted delivery of an active agent comprising a pharmacologically effective amount of a modified extra- 10 cellular fibrinogen binding protein connected to a collagenlike domain, a globular domain or both and disposed in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, wherein the modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein comprises a N-terminus fibrinogen binding region that binds a fibrinogen 15 delivering the collagen-like domain, a globular domain or both to the fibrinogen. In another aspect, at least a portion of a N-terminus fibrinogen binding region may be SEQ ID NO: 2 or SEQ ID NO: 34. The collagen-like domain, a globular domain or both may form a hydrogel. The composition may 20 further include an antigen selected from SpA, SpA variant, Emp, EsxA, EsxB, EsaC, Eap, EsaB, Coa, vWbp, vWh, Hla, SdrC, SdrD, SdrE, IsdA, IsdB, IsdC, ClfA, ClfB, SasF Sta006, Sta011, Hla and EsxA-EsxB.

The present invention provides a method for making a 25 monoclonal antibody comprising the steps of: providing an effective amount of a composition comprising a modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein having a N-terminus modified fibrinogen binding protein that does not bind fibrinogen, a C-terminus modified complement binding protein that does not bind a complement protein or both; producing an antibody pool of the modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein, the C-terminus modified complement binding protein, or both; screening the antibody pool to detect active antibodies; wherein the active antibodies 35 inhibit the fibrinogen binding to extracellular fibrinogen binding protein; separating the active antibodies; and adding the active antibodies to a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

The present invention provides a method for making a 40 vaccine comprising the steps of: providing an effective amount of a composition comprising a modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein having a N-terminus modified fibringen binding protein that does not bind fibringen, a C-terminus modified complement binding protein that does 45 not bind a complement protein or both and further comprising an antigen selected from SpA, SpA variant, Emp, EsxA, EsxB, EsaC, Eap, EsaB, Coa, vWbp, vWh, Ha, SdrC, SdrD, SdrE, IsdA, IsdB, IsdC, ClfA, ClfB, SasF Sta006, Sta011, Hla and EsxA-EsxB. The N-terminus modified fibrinogen 50 binding protein may have 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 99.1, 99.2, 99.3, 99.4, 99.5, 99.6, 99.7, 99.8, 99.9, or 99.99% homology to SEQ ID NO: 2; SEQ ID NO: 34; or both. In another aspect, at least a portion of a N-terminus fibrinogen binding region 55 is selected from SEO ID NO: 3-30; from SEO ID NO: 35-61; or both. In another aspect, at least a portion of a N-terminus modified fibrinogen binding protein is selected from SEQ ID NO: 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, and 30 60 or from SEQ ID NO: 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61.

The present disclosure provides a method of vaccinating a host against staphylococcus bacterium by administering to 65 a subject a pharmacologically effective amount of a vaccine in a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient, comprising a

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modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein comprising at least a portion of a N-terminus region, at least a portion of a C-terminus region, or both, wherein the modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein results in inhibiting the fibrinogen binding, C3 binding, or both or administering to a subject a pharmacologically effective amount of a vaccine in a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient, comprising a modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein comprising at least a portion of a N-terminus region, at least a portion of a C-terminus region, or both, wherein the modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein results in inhibiting the surface-bound complement protein, an antibody or both from shielding the staphylococcus bacterium from recognition by a phagocytic receptor.

The present disclosure provides a vaccine having a pharmacologically effective amount of a vaccine in a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient, comprising a modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein comprising at least a portion of a N-terminus fibrinogen binding region, at least a portion of a C-terminus complement protein binding region, or both, wherein the modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein results in inhibiting the fibrinogen binding, C3 binding, or both or having a pharmacologically effective amount of a vaccine in a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient, comprising a modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein comprising at least a portion of a N-terminus fibrinogen binding region, at least a portion of a C-terminus complement protein binding region, or both, wherein the modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein results in inhibiting the surface-bound complement protein, an antibody or both from shielding the staphylococcus bacterium from recognition by a phagocytic receptor.

The present disclosure also provides a monoclonal antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof that can specifically bind to a portion of a extracellular fibrinogen binding protein comprising heavy and light chain variable regions that bind at least a portion of a N-terminus region of a extracellular fibrinogen binding protein that binds a fibrinogen, at least a portion of a C-terminus region of a extracellular fibrinogen binding protein that binds a complement protein, or both and results in the inhibition of the shielding of the staphylococcus bacterium from recognition by a phagocytic receptor.

One embodiment of the present disclosure provides a method for eliciting an immune response against a staphylococcus bacterium in a subject by identifying a subject having a staphylococcus bacterium; providing to the subject an effective amount of a composition comprising a modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein (Efb) having a N-terminus binds that binds fibrinogen and a C-terminus binds a complement protein, wherein the Efb does not shield a surface-bound complement protein, an antibody or both from recognition by a phagocytic receptor.

Another embodiment of the present disclosure provides a vaccine made by combining a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient and an effective amount of a composition comprising a modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein (Efb) having a N-terminus binds that binds fibrinogen and a C-terminus binds a complement protein, wherein the Efb does not shield a surface-bound complement protein, an antibody or both from recognition by a phagocytic receptor.

Another embodiment of the present disclosure provides a chimeric molecule of a extracellular fibrinogen binding protein (Efb) having a N-terminus that binds a fibrinogen; and a C-terminus that binds a complement protein, wherein the chimeric molecule can modulate complement activity, modulate antibody binding, modulate recognition by a

phagocytic receptor or a combination thereof. The chimeric molecule may be capable of inhibiting or enhancing complement binding, antibody binding, recognition by a phagocytic receptor or a combination thereof.

Fibrinogen (Fg) is a plasma dimeric glycoprotein that is best known for its role in the blood coagulation cascade where thrombin proteolytically converts Fg to fibrin which then spontaneous assembles into the core of the clot. Coagulase (Coa) is a secreted staphylococcal protein and is a virulence determinant contributing to pathogenesis of staphylococcal diseases. Coa was named for its ability to support the conversion of Fg to insoluble fibrin. This activity involves Coa capturing and activating prothrombin in a non-proteolytic manner subsequently allowing the cleavage of Fg to fibrin by the activated protease. Coa also binds Fg 15 directly independent of prothrombin. However, the molecular details underlying the Coa-Fg interaction remain elusive. The instant disclosure shows that the Fg binding activity of Coa is functionally related to that of staphylococcal Extracellular fibrinogen binding protein (Efb). In the competition 20 ELISA assay, Coa and Efb compete with each other in binding to Fg suggesting these two staphylococcal proteins harbor similar Fg motif and are likely bind to the similar site(s) in Fg. Biochemical analyses allowed us to identify the critical residues for Fg binding in Efb and showed that the 25 core of these residues are conserved in Fg binding motifs in Coa. This motif locates to an intrinsically disordered section of the protein and is unusually long covering 25-27 residues. Competition ELISA and isothermal titration calorimetry analyses demonstrate that Coa from Newman strain contains 30 multiple Fg binding sites in which one locates in residues 474-505 and the others are in 5 tandem repeats which immediately follow the first binding site (residues 474-505). Binding of the Efb/Coa motif to Fg likely induces a conformational change in the plasma protein which might be the 35 bases for the proteins ability to induce the formation of a Fg containing barrier around staphylococci that protects the bacteria from clearance by phagocytes.

DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

For a more complete understanding of the features and advantages of the present invention, reference is now made to the detailed description of the invention along with the accompanying figures and in which:

FIGS. 1A-1F show the full-length Efb inhibits phagocytosis of *S. aureus* in human plasma.

FIG. 2A shows the domain organization of Efb, and 2B and 2C show the simultaneous binding to Fg and C3 is essential for phagocytosis inhibition by Efb.

FIGS. 3A-3C show the purified Efb blocks phagocytosis ex vivo and in vivo.

FIGS. 4A-4D show phagocytosis inhibition by Efb is independent of complement inhibition.

FIGS. 5A-5D show that Efb attracts Fg to the bacterial 55 surface.

FIGS. 6A-6C show that Efb prevents recognition of opsonic C3b and IgG.

FIGS. 7A-7D show endogenously produced Efb blocks phagocytosis via complex formation.

FIG. 8 shows a mechanism for phagocytosis inhibition by

FIGS. 9A to 9D illustrate a schematic presentation of recombinant Coa fragments generated in this study. Coa is depicted in its secreted form Coa (27-636) lacking the signal 65 peptide (1-26). FIG. 9B illustrates an ELISA assays of GST-tagged Coa fragments binding to immobilized Fg, Coa

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(Coa 27-636); Coa-N(Coa 27-310); Coa-C(Coa 311-636); Coa-R (Coa 506-636); Coa-F (Coa 311-505). FIG. 9C is a table that shows the protein concentration at which the reaction rate is half of Vmax (Km) and the goodness of fit (R2).

FIG. 9D illustrates the effect of peptide Efb-O on inhibition of recombinant Coa (rCoa) binding to Fg. Increasing concentration of Efb-O were incubated with 4 nM GST-tagged Coa proteins in Fg-coated microtiter wells. Control, BSA.

FIG. **10**A is a table of the Efb-O variant peptides were synthesized where each residue in the sequence is individually replaced with Ala (or Ser when the native a.a. is Ala). FIG. **10**A includes SEQ ID NOS:1-30. FIG. **10**B is a plot of the Efb-O variant peptides inhibit rEfb-O (5 nM) binding to immobilized Fg in solid phase assay. FIG. **10** includes SEQ ID NO:2-30 Wells were coated with 0.25 μg/well Fg. Peptides (2 μM) were mixed with rEfb-O proteins (5 nM) and incubated in the Fg wells for 1 hour. FIG. **10**C is a plot showing selected peptides inhibit rEfb-O binding to immobilized Fg. Increasing concentrations of Efb peptides were incubated with 5 nM rEfb-O in Fg-coated microtiter wells.

FIG. 11A is an image of a ClustalW alignment of amino acid sequence from Efb-O (Efb 68-98) and Coa from Newman strain (col-Newman). FIG. 11A includes SEQ ID NOS:62, 223, 224. FIGS. 11B and 11C show a comparison of amino acid sequence of Efb-O with Coa 474-505 (FIG. 11B) and Coa 506-532 (FIG. 11C). FIG. 11B includes SEQ ID NOS. 2 and 32. FIG. 11C includes SEQ ID NOS:2 and 33. FIGS. 11D and 11E show the effect of Coa and Efb peptides on inhibition of rEfb-N (Efb 30-104) (FIG. 11D) and rCoa-C (Coa 311-636) (FIG. 11E) binding to Fg by the inhibition ELISA assays.

FIG. 12A is a panel of Coa-RI variant peptides were synthesized where each residue in the sequence is individually replaced with Ala (or Ser when the native a.a. is Ala). FIG. 12A includes SEQ ID NOS: 34-61. FIG. 12B is shows sCoa-RI variant peptides (50 μM) inhibit GST-tagged rCoa-C(Coa 311-636) (2 nM) binding to immobilized Fg in solid phase assay. FIG. 12B includes SEQ ID NO: 34-61. Labels -1, -2, -3, -4, -5, -6, -7, -8, -9, -10, -11, -12, -13, -14, -15, -16, -17, -18, -19, -20, -21, -22, -23, -24, -25, -26, -27 refer to Coa-RI-1, Coa-RI-2, Coa-RI-3, Coa-RI-4, Coa-RI-5, Coa-RI-6, Coa-RI-7, Coa-RI-8, Coa-RI-9, Coa-RI-10, Coa-RI-11, Coa-RI-12, Coa-RI-13, Coa-RI-14, Coa-RI-15, Coa-RI-16, Coa-RI-17, Coa-RI-18, Coa-RI-19, Coa-RI-20, Coa-RI-21, Coa-RI-22, Coa-RI-23, Coa-RI-24, Coa-RI-25, Coa-RI-26, Coa-RI-27, respectively. Wells were coated with 0.25 ug/well Fg. FIG. 12C is a comparison of amino acid 50 sequence of Efb-O with Coa-RI. FIG. 12C includes SEQ ID NOS:1 and 34. FIG. 12D is a Fg-binding register of tandem repeats in Coa. Bold letters denote the residues that are important for Fg binding. FIG. 12D includes SEQ ID NOS:63 and 225-229.

FIG. **13**A is a schematic presentation of Coa R peptides. FIG. **13**A includes SEQ ID NOS:34, 64, 65, 66-70. FIG. **13**B is a plot of the effect of Coa peptides on inhibition of rCoa-C binding to fibrinogen.

FIGS. 14A-14C show a characterization of the interaction 60 of Fg-D fragment with Coa peptides by VP-ITC.

FIG. 15 shows Coa and Efb prevent monocytic cells from adherence to fibrinogen.

FIG. **16**A is a Schematic representation of DC2-Fg with fibrinogen (Fg) binding motif Efb-O. FIG. **16**B is an image of a circular dichroism (CD) spectra of DC2 and DC2-Fg. Peak at 220 nm is indicative of triple helix. FIG. **16**C is plot of the integrin α 1 and α 2 subunit expressing C2C12 cell

adhesion to DC1 (no integrin binding site), DC2 (binding site for integrins $\alpha 1$ and $\alpha 2$), DC2-Fg (DC2 with fibrinogen binding site), and collagen (multiple binding sites for integrins $\alpha 1$ and $\alpha 2$). FIG. **16**D is a graph showing fibrinogen binding to DC2, DC2-Fg, and Efb, as determined by solid 5 phase binding assay.

FIG. 17 shows the binding of FBE5 antibodies to Coa and Efb fragments. The 11 monoclonal antibodies, selected against Coa-C $_{311-636}$ were tested for binding to truncated recombinant proteins of the C-terminal part of Coagulase, 10 namely Coa-F $_{311-505}$, Coa-R0 $_{474-505}$ and Coa-R $_{506-636}$, and different fragments of Efb, namely Efb-N $_{30-105}$, Efb-A $_{30-67}$ and Efb-O $_{68-98}$. Coa-F $_{311-505}$, Coa-R0 $_{474-505}$ and Coa-R $_{506-636}$, and Efb-N $_{30-105}$, Efb-A $_{30-67}$ and Efb-O $_{68-98}$ proteins were immobilized (200 ng/well) in a 96 well microtiter 15 plate and probed with the indicated antibodies at a fixed concentration (0.5 µg/ml) in a solid-phase binding assay. Binding was observed for all of tested antibodies and it is noticeable that the antibodies displayed variable apparent affinities to the different Efb and Coa fragments. None of the 20 FBE5 antibodies bound to Coa-R $_{506-636}$.

FIG. 18 shows the dose-dependent binding of FBE5 antibodies to Coa fragments. The 11 monoclonal antibodies selected against Coa-C₃₁₁₋₆₃₆ were titrated on different truncated recombinant proteins of the C-terminal part of Coagulase, namely Coa-C₃₁₁₋₆₃₆, Coa-F₃₁₁₋₅₀₅, Coa-R0⁴⁷⁴⁻⁵⁰⁵. Recombinant Coa-C₃₁₁₋₆₃₆. Coa-F₃₁₁₋₅₀₅. Coa-R0₄₇₄₋₅₀₅ proteins were resuspended in 1×TBS buffer and immobilized (200 ng/well) in a 96 well microtiter plate overnight at 4° C. and probed with the selected antibodies in a solid- 30 phase binding assay. Purified scFv-Fc were diluted in 2% BSA+1×PBS+0.05% TWEEN® 20 and a 10-fold serial dilution of each scFv-Fc was prepared. Varying concentration of scFv-Fcs' were incubated with Coa proteins for 1 hour at room temperature with shaking at 250 rpm. The 35 bound scFv-Fv were detected using polyclonal α-human IgG HRP-conjugated Ab (P0214, Dako), diluted 1:10000 in 2% BSA+1×PBS+0.05% TWEEN® 20. SIGMAFAST™ OPD tablets (P9187, Sigma) were used for development as per manufacturer's instructions. Dose dependent binding 40 was observed for all FBE5 antibodies and it is noticeable that the antibodies display variable apparent affinities to the different proteins. An irrelevant isotype-matched antibody (isotype control) was tested. As shown, no binding was detectable for this latter antibody.

FIG. **19** is a table that shows the apparent K_d of anti-CoaC mAbs to different truncated recombinant Coa proteins determined through EC_{50} calculation in ELISA. Apparent affinity values were generated through analysis of the half maximum binding in ELISA, using GRAPHPAD PRISM® Version 6.01. Apparent K_d values in the range of 10^{-9} - 10^{-10} M were obtained for most antibodies against all three Coa fragments tested (Coa-C₃₁₁₋₆₃₆, Coa-F₃₁₁₋₅₀₅). Coa-R0₄₇₄₋₅₀₅). The antibody FBE5-F11 has the highest affinity to all the three proteins tested and FBE5-C8, conversely was the weakest 55 binder to the three fragments of Coa tested.

FIG. **20** shows the dose-dependent binding of FBE5 antibodies to recombinant truncated Efb proteins. The 11 monoclonal antibodies selected against Coa-C₃₁₁₋₆₃₆ were titrated on different portions of the N-terminal part of Efb protein, that, as reported in previous claims, has sequence and functional homology to Coagulase. Recombinant proteins Efb-N₃₀₋₁₀₅, Efb-A₃₀₋₆₇ and Efb-O₆₈₋₉₈ were resuspended in 50 mM sodium carbonate pH 9.6 and immobilized (200 ng/well) in 96 well microtiter plate overnight at 4° C. 65 and probed for recognition in a solid-phase binding assay. These proteins were probed with different quantities of the

selected antibodies. Ten-fold serial dilution of scFv-Fc were prepared in 2% BSA+1×PBS+0.05% TWEEN® 20 and incubated with immobilized protein for 1 hour at room temperate with shaking at 250 rpm. Bound scFv-Fc were detected using α -human IgG HRP-conjugated Ab (P0214, Dako) diluted 1:10000 in 2% BSA+1×PBS+0.05% TWEEN® 20. SIGMAFASTTM OPD tablets (P9187, Sigma) were used for development as per manufacturer's instructions. Dose dependent binding was observed for all the antibodies tested and it is noticeable that the antibodies display variable apparent affinities to the different proteins. An irrelevant isotype-matched antibody (isotype control) was tested. As shown, no binding was detectable for this latter antibody.

FIG. 21 is a table with the apparent K_d of anti-CoaC mAbs to Efb fragments determined through EC_{50} calculation in ELISA. Apparent affinity values were generated through analysis of the half maximum binding in ELISA, using GRAPHPAD PRISM® Version 6.01. In most cases, apparent K_d values in the range of 10^{-8} - 10^{-9} M were obtained for antibodies against all three Efb fragments tested (namely Efb-N₃₀₋₁₀₅, Efb-A₃₀₋₆₇ and Efb-O₆₈₋₉₈). FBE5-F11 was the only exception, since it displayed apparent affinities in the range of 10^{-10} M against all three Efb fragments. Weak binders, FBE5-C1, FBE5-C8, FBE5-E5, showed very modest binding and in some cases an estimation of apparent affinities was not possible (ND, not determinable).

FIG. 22 shows the FBE 5 mAbs that efficiently inhibit binding of Coa and Efb to Fg in a dose-dependent manner. To assess the inhibitory activity of anti-Coa scFv-Fc antibodies, 0.5 μg/well of human Fg was immobilized at 4° C. overnight in 50 mM Carbonate Buffer, pH 9.6. Indicated amounts (50, 5, 0.5 µg/ml) of scFv-Fcs prepared in 2% BSA+1×TBS+0.05% TWEEN® 20 were pre-incubated for 1 hour with a constant concentration of Coa or Efb fragments also prepared in 2% BSA+1×TBS+0.05% TWEEN® 20 at room temperature, 250 rpm shaking. Specifically, Coa-F, Coa-R0, Efb-N and Efb-O were at a fixed concentration of 10 nM; whereas Efb-A was at 750 nM. Fg-binding activity of each protein alone was also checked (no mAb control-0 µg/ml). The Fg-coated plate was blocked with 2% BSA-TBST and washed with PBST. The pre-incubated mixture of Coa/Efb and anti-Coa scFv-Fc was transferred on the Fg-coated plate and incubated for 1 hour at room temperature with shaking at 250 rpm. Residual bound Coa and Efb fragments were detected with HRP-conjugated (HorseRadish Peroxidase-conjugated) α-GST-tag antibody, except for Efb-N, where an HRP-conjugated α -HIS-tag was used (see FIG. 18). HRP-tagged antibodies were diluted in 2% BSA+1×TBS+0.05% TWEEN® 20 and used at 1:10000 dilution. Antibodies were incubated for 1 hour at room temperature with shaking at 250 rpm. HRP signal was developed using SIGMAFASTTM OPD tablets using manufacturer's guidelines. Binding of Coa and Efb fragments to Fg (no mAb control) was set to 100% and residual binding to Fg of Coa and Efb fragments in the presence of different concentrations of antibodies was calculated and represented. FBE5-A12, FBE5-D10, FBE5-F9 and FBE5-F11 did show a dose dependent inhibition of all proteins tested. In particular FBE5-F11 showed a marked inhibition against all fragments of Coa and Efb. FBE5-A12, FBE5-D10 and FBE5-F9 showed a clear inhibition of CoaF, CoaRO and EfbA, being less efficient in inhibiting EfbN and EfbO.

FIG. 23 shows that Peptide CoaRO, but not peptide CoaRI, inhibit FBE5 mAbs binding to CoaC. To investigate if FBE5 mAbs could be inhibited by CoaRO and CoaRI peptides, CoaC (200 ng/well) was immobilized at 4° C.

overnight in 50 mM Carbonate Buffer, pH 9.6. A fixed concentration of mAbs (0.5 µg/ml) in 2% BSA+1×TBS+ 0.05% TWEEN® 20 was added to the wells along with indicated amounts of CoaRO and CoaRI peptides diluted in 1×TBS. Incubation for 1 hour, room temperature, 250 rpm 5 shaking followed. Bound scFv-Fcs were detected using a polyclonal α-human IgG HRP-conjugated Ab diluted 1:10000 in 2% BSA+1×PBS+0.05% TWEEN® 20. Antibody was incubated in the 96 well plate for 1 hour at room temperature with shaking at 250 rpm. HRP signal was 10 developed using SIGMAFASTTM OPD following manufacturer's guidelines. An irrelevant, isotype-matched scFv-Fc served as a control (FBE3-X). All FBE5 antibodies were inhibited by peptide CoaRO in a fashion dependent of the peptide concentration. Instead, peptide CoaRI was unable to 15 affect FBE5 mAbs binding to CoaC. An irrelevant isotypematched antibody (FBE3-X) was tested. As shown, no binding to Coa-C was detected for this latter antibody, nor did the presence of CoaRO or CoaRI peptide affect this antibody.

FIG. 24 shows the dose-dependent binding of LIG40 antibodies to Coa and Efb fragments. The 2 monoclonal antibodies selected against Coa- $R_{506-636}$ were titrated on different portions of the N-terminal part of Efb protein (Efb- N_{30-105} , Efb- A_{30-67} and Efb- O_{68-98}), that, as reported in 25 the parent patent, has sequence and functional homology to Coagulase. As well, binding was tested against Coa fragments, namely Coa- $C_{311-636}$. Coa- $F_{311-505}$. Coa- $R0_{474-505}$ and Coa- $R_{506-636}$. Recombinant proteins Efb- N_{30-105} , Efb- A_{30-67} , Efb- O_{68-98} , Coa- $C_{311-636}$, Coa- $F_{311-505}$, Coa- 30 $R0_{474-505}$ and $Coa-R_{506-636}$ were diluted in 50 mM sodium carbonate pH 9.6 and immobilized at the concentration of 200 ng/well for 1 hour at room temperature. Immobilized proteins were probed for recognition in a solid-phase binding assay with different quantities of LIG40 antibodies after 3 blocking and washing. After washing, varying concentrations of LIG40 scFv-Fc antibodies were diluted in 2% BSA+1×PBS+0.05% TWEEN® 20 and incubated with the immobilized proteins for 1 hour at room temperature with shaking at 250 rpm. Bound scFv-Fcs were detected using 40 polyclonal α-human IgG HRP-conjugated Ab diluted to 1:10000 in 2% BSA+1×PBS+0.05% TWEEN® 20. HRPconjugated Ab was incubated for 1 hour at room temperature with shaking at 250 rpm. HRP signal was developed with SIGMAFASTTM OPD using manufacturers guidelines. 45 These 2 antibodies bound only Coa fragments in a dose dependent manner. No binding to truncated recombinant Efb proteins was observed. LIG40-A11 recognized specifically Coa-R₅₀₆₋₆₃₆ and, reasonably, Coa-C₃₁₁₋₆₃₆, even though the latter with lower apparent affinity. No binding to all other 50 proteins has been detectable for LIG40-A11. LIG40-D8 also bound Coa-R₅₀₆₋₆₃₆ and Coa-C₃₁₁₋₆₃₆ but also binding of $\text{Coa-F}_{311\text{--}505}$ and $\text{Coa-R0}_{474\text{--}505}$ was detected to a minor extent. Both antibodies did not show binding to BSA and an irrelevant isotype-matched antibody (isotype control) did 55 not show binding to the immobilized proteins.

FIG. 25 shows that LIG40-A11 mAb inhibits binding to Fg of Coa- $C_{311-636}$ and Coa- $R_{506-636}$ in a dose-dependent manner. To assess the inhibitory activity of LIG40-A11 antibody, 0.5 µg/well of human Fg was immobilized at 4° C. 60 overnight in 50 mM Carbonate Buffer, pH 9.6. Indicated amounts of LIG40-A11 prepared in 2% BSA+1×TBS+0.05% TWEEN® 20 were pre-incubated for 1 hour with a constant concentration of CoaC or CoaR (10 nM) also prepared in prepared in 2% BSA+1×TBS+0.05% TWEEN® 65 20 at room temperature with shaking at 250 rpm. Fg-binding activity of each protein at 10 nM was also checked in the

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absence of antibody, referred as CTRL+(CoaC) and CTRL+ (CoaR) in the figure (no mAb control—CTRL+). The Fgcoated plate was blocked with 2% BSA-TBST and washed with TBST. The pre-incubated mixture of CoaC/CoaR and LIG40-A11 was transferred on the Fg-coated plate. Residual bound CoaC and CoaR were detected with HRP-conjugated α-GST-tag antibody, diluted 1:10000 in 2% BSA-1×TBS+ 0.05% TWEEN® 20, incubated for 1 hour, room temperature, 250 rpm. Binding of CoaC and CoaR to Fg in the absence of mAb (referred as CTRL+(CoaC) and CTRL+ (CoaR) in the figure) (no mAb control—CTRL+) was set to 100% and residual binding to Fg of CoaC and CoaR in the presence of different concentrations of antibodies was calculated and represented. LIG40-A11 showed a dose-dependent inhibition of CoaC and CoaR, being more potent against CoaR.

FIG. 26 shows that peptides CoaRO and CoaRI differentially inhibit LIG40 mAbs (LIG40-A11 and LIG40-D8) binding to CoaC and CoaR. To investigate if LIG40 mAbs 20 could be inhibited by CoaRO and CoaRI peptides, CoaC and CoaR (200 ng/well) was immobilized at 4° C. overnight in 50 mM Carbonate Buffer, pH 9.6. A fixed concentration of mAbs (0.5 μg/ml) prepared in 2% BSA+1×TBS+0.05% TWEEN® 20 was added to the wells along with indicated amounts of CoaRO and CoaRI peptides prepared in 1X TBS. Incubation for 1 hour, room temperature, 250 rpm shaking followed. After washing, the levels of bound mAbs were determined using a polyclonal α-human IgG HRP-conjugated Ab diluted 1:10000 in 2% BSA+1×TBS+0.05% TWEEN® 20. Incubation lasted 1 hour at room temperature with shaking at 250 rpm. The development was performed through SIGMAFASTTM OPD tablets following manufacturer's protocol. Surprisingly, LIG40-A11 and LIG40-D8 behaved differently in the presence of the two peptides. First, to achieve appreciable inhibition high concentration of peptides needed to be used (above $100 \, \mu M$). Secondly and most importantly, LIG40-A11 was inhibited only by CoaRI peptide, both when mAb binding was tested against CoaC and CoaR. In symmetrical opposite way, LIG40-D8 was only impaired in its binding activity by CoaRO peptide, suggesting that the differential role of the two repeats.

FIG. 27 is a table that shows the apparent K_d of anti-CoaR₅₀₆₋₆₃₆ mAbs to Coa fragments determined through EC₅₀ calculation in ELISA. Apparent affinity values were generated through analysis of the half maximum binding in ELISA, using GRAPHPAD PRISM® Version 6.01. For both antibodies, values in the range of 10^{-10} - 10^{-11} M were obtained. LIG40-A11 showed the highest apparent affinity for CoaR (7.05× 10^{-11} M) whereas LIG40-D8 was the one that showed the highest half-maximum binding to CoaC (9.39× 10^{-11} M). Only LIG40-D8 showed minor binding to CoaRO and CoaF, instead for LIG40-A11 there was no detectable binding (apparent affinity not determinable, ND).

DESCRIPTION OF EMBODIMENTS

While the making and using of various embodiments of the present invention are discussed in detail below, it should be appreciated that the present invention provides many applicable inventive concepts that can be embodied in a wide variety of specific contexts. The specific embodiments discussed herein are merely illustrative of specific ways to make and use the invention and do not delimit the scope of the invention.

To facilitate the understanding of this invention, a number of terms are defined below. Terms defined herein have meanings as commonly understood by a person of ordinary

skill in the areas relevant to the present invention. Terms such as "a", "an" and "the" are not intended to refer to only a singular entity but include the general class of which a specific example may be used for illustration. The terminology herein is used to describe specific embodiments of the invention, but their usage does not delimit the invention, except as outlined in the claims.

Upon contact with human plasma, bacteria are rapidly recognized by the complement system that labels their surface for uptake and clearance by phagocytic cells. 10 Staphylococcus aureus secretes the 16 kD Extracellular fibrinogen binding protein (Efb) that binds two different plasma proteins using separate domains: the Efb N-terminus binds to fibringen, while the C-terminus binds complement C3. Efb blocks phagocytosis of S. aureus by human neu- 15 trophils. In vitro, Efb blocks phagocytosis in plasma and in human whole blood. Using a mouse peritonitis model, Efb effectively blocks phagocytosis in vivo, either as a purified protein or when produced endogenously by S. aureus. Mutational analysis revealed that Efb requires both its fibrinogen 20 and complement binding residues for phagocytic escape. Using confocal and transmission electron microscopy it can be see that Efb attracts fibringen to the surface of complement-labeled S. aureus generating a 'capsule'-like shield. This thick layer of fibrinogen shields both surface-bound 25 C3b and antibodies from recognition by phagocytic receptors. This information is critical for future vaccination attempts, since opsonizing antibodies may not function in the presence of Efb. Efb from S. aureus uniquely escapes phagocytosis by forming a bridge between a complement 30 and coagulation protein.

The present disclosure describes a novel mechanism by which S. aureus can prevent uptake by phagocytic immune cells. Specifically, the secreted S. aureus protein Extracellular fibrinogen binding protein (Efb) generates a 'capsule' - 3: like shield around the bacterial surface through a dual interaction with the plasma proteins complement C3b and fibringen. The Efb-dependent fibringen shield masks important opsonic molecules like C3b and antibodies from binding to phagocyte receptors. This information is critical 40 for future vaccination attempts, since opsonizing antibodies may not function in the presence of this anti-phagocytic shield.

Phagocytosis by neutrophils is crucial to the host innate defense against invading bacteria since it leads to intracel- 45 lular destruction of bacteria by production of oxygen radicals and proteolytic enzymes. Bacterial engulfment by neutrophils is strongly enhanced by the labeling or 'opsonization' of bacteria with plasma factors such as anti-Complement activation takes place at the bacterial surface and is initiated by recognition molecules (C1q, Mannose Binding Lectin (MBL)) that interact with bacterial surface structures like sugars or proteins. Complement activation occurs through three different pathways (classical, lectin and 55 alternative) that converge in the formation of C3 convertase enzymes that cleave the central complement protein C3. This cleavage step leads to massive decoration of the bacterial surface with covalently deposited C3b and iC3b molecules, which are recognized by complement receptor 1 60 and 3 (CR1 and CR3) on neutrophils. Complement activation proceeds by formation of C5 convertase enzymes that cleave C5 to release the potent chemoattractant C5a and C5b, which initiates formation of the membrane attack complex.

Staphylococcus aureus is an important human pathogen notorious for its ability to cause both community- and hospital-acquired diseases, ranging from mild skin infections to bacteremia, sepsis and endocarditis. Although Methicillin-resistant S. aureus (MRSA) was previously considered as an opportunistic pathogen causing hospital-acquired infections in immune-compromised patients, the emergence of the highly virulent community-associated (CA-) MRSA showed that this bacterium could also cause serious infections in otherwise healthy persons. Due to the rapid emergence of antibiotic resistance strains, alternative therapy options are now being explored. Vaccination has not been successful so far and an important reason may be the bacteria's elaborate immune evasion repertoire. Therefore, immune evasion proteins are now considered as important vaccination targets. One proposed vaccine candidate is the S. aureus Extracellular fibrinogen binding protein (Efb), a 16-kD secreted protein with a presumable role in disease pathogenesis, which is found in 85% of S. aureus strains. The secreted Efb protein consists of two functionally distinct domains: a disordered 9 kD N-terminus (Efb-N) that harbors two binding sites for fibrinogen (Fg) and a folded 7 kD C-terminus (Efb-C) that binds to the C3d domain of complement C3 (which is also present in C3b and iC3b). Although previous papers described various functions for the isolated N- and C-terminal domains of Efb, it is currently not understood why the full-length Efb protein harbors both a Fg and C3d binding site. The present disclosure shows Efb potently blocks phagocytosis of bacteria via a novel mechanism linking the complement and coagulation proteins.

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Full-length Efb inhibits phagocytosis in the presence of plasma. FIG. 1A shows phagocytosis of fluorescently labeled S. aureus by purified human neutrophils in the presence of human serum or plasma and Efb (0.5 μ M). FIG. 1B shows a histology image of human neutrophils incubated with S. aureus and 2.5% plasma in the presence or absence of Efb (0.5 µM). Cells were stained using Diff-Quick. FIG. 1C shows dose-dependent phagocytosis inhibition by Efb in the presence of 2.5% human plasma. ${\rm IC}_{\rm 50}$ was calculated using non-linear regression analysis, R²=0.95. FIGS. 1D-1F show phagocytosis in the presence of 5% human serum supplemented with either full-length human Fg (FIG. 1D), the D domain of human Fg (1 μ M or 86 μ g/ml) (FIG. 1E) or mouse Fg (WT or lacking the Mac-1 binding site) (FIG. 1F). A, C-F are mean f se of three independent experiments. B is a representative image. *P<0.05, **P<0.005 for Efb versus buffer (two-tailed Student's t-test).

The present disclosure provides potential role for fulllength Efb in phagocytosis escape, fluorescently labeled S. aureus was mixed with purified human neutrophils, Efb (0.5 μM) and human serum or plasma as a source for complement bodies and complement activation products (C3b, iC3b). 50 and analyzed bacterial uptake by flow cytometry. In the presence of serum, Efb did not affect bacterial uptake by neutrophils (FIG. 1A). However, when human plasma as a complement source was used, Efb strongly prevented phagocytosis (FIGS. 1A and 1B) and subsequent bacterial killing by neutrophils. Phagocytosis inhibition in plasma occurred in a dose-dependent fashion with a calculated IC₅₀ of 0.08 µM (FIG. 1C). Since the main difference between plasma and serum lies in the presence of coagulation proteins, it was investigated whether the observed differences in phagocytosis inhibition were caused by the fact that serum lacks Fg. The supplementation of serum with physiological concentrations of Fg led to phagocytosis inhibition by Efb (FIG. 1D). Fg is a large (340 kD) dimeric protein that comprises one central E-fragment and two lateral D-fragments. Since Efb binds to the D-fragment of Fg, it was examined if supplementing serum with Fg-D would also lead to phagocytosis inhibition by Efb. Interestingly, Efb

could not block phagocytosis in the presence of Fg-D (FIG. 1E) indicating that full-length Fg is required for phagocytosis inhibition by Efb. Since Fg is a ligand for CR3 (or Mac-1) on neutrophils, it was examined whether the binding of Fg to this receptor is important for the anti-phagocytic offect of Efb. Therefore, purified Fg from wild-type mice or Fg $\gamma^{390-396A}$ mice (Δ Mac-1 Fg) mice that express a mutated form of Fg lacking the Mac-1 binding site but retaining clotting function. FIG. 1F shows that supplementation of human serum with both forms of mouse Fg led to inhibition by Efb, indicating that Fg binding to Mac-1 is not important for inhibition. In conclusion, Efb interferes with phagocytosis in a plasma environment and the presence of full-length Fg is required for this inhibition.

FIG. 2A shows a schematic overview of Efb mutants 15 generated in this study. Efb is depicted in its secreted form (30-165) lacking the signal peptide (1-29). Bounding boxes indicate Fg- and C3-binding domains. The N-terminus of Efb (9 kD) harbors two Fg binding sites named Fg1 (residues 30-67) and Fg2 (residues 68-98). The C-terminus of 20 Efb (7 kD) harbors the C3 binding site (residues R131 and N138). Efb Δ Fg1 has deletion of residues 30-45, resulting in non-functional binding Fg1; whereas EfbΔFg2 has deletion of residues 68-76, resulting in non-functional binding Fg2. In the figure, SP represents the signal peptide, N shows the 25 N-terminus of the protein, C represents the C-terminus of the protein, the light grey box represents the His tag and the dark grey box represents the GST tag. FIG. 2B shows phagocytosis of fluorescent S. aureus by human neutrophils in the presence of 5% human plasma and Efb fragments (B) or Efb 30 mutants (C) (all at 1 µM). B&C are mean f se of three independent experiments. **P<0.005 for Efb versus buffer (two-tailed Student's t-test).

Simultaneous binding to Fg and C3 is essential for phagocytosis inhibition by Efb. To get more insight into the 35 mechanism of inhibition, panel of Efb mutants was constructed (FIG. 2A). FIG. 2A shows a schematic representation of domain organization of Efb protein. From the N-terminus Efb contains a signal peptide (SP), N-terminus domain that binds fibrinogen is labeled as EfbN and a 40 C-terminus domain that binds complement protein is labeled as EfbC. The individual N or C termini of Efb could not block phagocytosis in plasma (FIG. 2B). In addition, mixing the N and C terminal fragments of Efb did not markedly affect phagocytosis, indicating that full-length Efb is 45 required. Second, mutants of full-length Efb lacking the previously characterized binding sites for Fg and C3 were generated (FIG. 2A). Three different Fg-binding mutants were created: EfbΔFg1 lacking residues 30-45, EfbΔFg2 lacking residues 68-76 and EfbΔFg1+2 lacking both these 50 Fg binding sites. Furthermore, EfbΔC3 were created in which the C3d-binding residues R131 and N138 were each replaced with a glutamic acid (E) (also known as Efb-RENE). Using ELISA's it can be seen that EfbΔFg1+2 could no longer bind Fg, while the single EfbΔFg1 and EfbΔFg2 55 mutants and EfbΔC3 still bound Fg. As expected, all mutants except EfbΔC3 to bound to C3b. Next, these mutants in the neutrophil phagocytosis assay were compared in the presence of human plasma. EfbΔFg1+2 and EfbΔC3 could no longer block phagocytosis (FIG. 2C), indicating that a 60 simultaneous interaction with both Fg and complement C3 (products) is essential for the anti-phagocytic action of Efb. The finding that EfbΔFg1 and EfbΔFg2 were still active indicates that Efb requires only one of its two Fg binding sites to block phagocytosis.

FIG. 3A shows Ex vivo phagocytosis of fluorescent S. aureus incubated with 50% human whole blood and Efb (1

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μM). Neutrophils were gated based on forward and side scatter properties. FIG. 3B shows In vivo phagocytosis of fluorescent *S. aureus* by human neutrophils in the mouse peritoneum. Neutrophils were attracted to the peritoneal cavity using carrageenan (i.p.) and subsequently challenged with 10⁸ heat-inactivated fluorescent *S. aureus* and Efb (1 μM) for 1 hour. The peritoneal lavage was collected, and neutrophil phagocytosis was analyzed by flow cytometry. Neutrophils were gated based on Gr-1 expression. The mouse studies were carried out three times. 3 mice per group were used and the cells of these 3 mice were pooled for phagocytosis analysis. FIG. 3C shows a representative histograms of FIG. 3B. A, B are mean f se of three independent experiments. *P<0.05, **P<0.005 for Efb versus buffer (two-tailed Student's-test).

Efb blocks phagocytosis ex vivo and in vivo. To study whether Efb can also block phagocytosis in a natural environment, its activity in ex vivo and in vivo was examined using phagocytosis models. In an ex vivo human whole blood model, fluorescent S. aureus was incubated with 50% human whole blood and Efb. After 25 minutes, neutrophil phagocytosis was analyzed by flow cytometry. Full-length Efb potently blocked phagocytosis by human neutrophils in whole blood (FIG. 3A) and that this inhibition depends on the interaction of Efb with both Fg and C3. Phagocytosis of S. aureus in an in vivo mouse peritonitis model was examined. To this end, mice were treated with carrageenan (i.p.) to induce neutrophil infiltration into the peritoneal cavity and subsequently challenged with 108 heat-inactivated fluorescent S. aureus in the presence or absence of Efb (1 μM). One hour later, mice were sacrificed, and the peritoneum was lavaged with sterile PBS. Neutrophils were stained and phagocytosis of fluorescent bacteria was analyzed by flow cytometry. It can be seen that Efb blocked phagocytosis in the peritoneum (FIGS. 3B and 3C). Efb mutants showed that inhibition of phagocytosis in vivo also depends on the Fg and C3 binding domains of Efb.

FIG. 4A shows phagocytosis of fluorescently labeled *S. epidermidis* and *E. coli* by purified human neutrophils in the presence of human plasma (5%) and Efb. FIG. 4B shows an immunoblot detecting surface-bound C3b after incubation of *S. aureus* with 5% human plasma in the presence of 5 mM EDTA or 0.5 μ M Efb. Blot is a representative of 3 independent experiments. FIG. 4C shows alternative pathway hemolysis of rabbit erythrocytes in 5% human plasma and Efb (mutants) (1 μ M). Bars are the mean t se of three independent experiments. **P<0.005 for Efb versus buffer (two-tailed Student's t-test). FIG. 4D shows phagocytosis with a washing step. Fluorescent *S. aureus* was first incubated with 5% serum to deposit complement. Bacteria were washed and subsequently mixed with neutrophils and Fg in the presence or absence of Efb (0.5 μ M).

Phagocytosis inhibition by Efb is independent of complement inhibition. Studies shown above indicate that Efb requires an interaction with both complement and Fg to block phagocytosis. To study whether Efb also interacts with *S. aureus* specifically, it was analyzed whether purified Efb can block phagocytosis of other bacteria as well. Fluorescent *S. epidermidis* or *E. coli* were mixed with human plasma and phagocytosis by neutrophils was evaluated. Efb potently inhibits the uptake of these bacteria as well, indicating that Efb can block phagocytosis independently of *S. aureus* (FIG. 4A). The C-terminal domain of Efb is a complement inhibitor that inactivates C5 convertases to prevent cleavage of C5. Efb-C did not affect C3b labeling of bacteria in conditions where all complement pathways are active. However, since the effects of Efb on complement were performed with

serum instead of plasma, it was examined whether fulllength Efb might affect C3b labeling of bacteria in a plasma environment. S. aureus was incubated with human plasma and Efb and quantified surface-bound C3b using immunoblotting. As a control, EDTA was added to prevent activation 5 of all complement routes (which are calcium and magnesium dependent). Lower amounts of C3b was not found on the bacterial surface in the presence of Efb compared to buffer (FIG. 4B), indicating that Efb does not interfere with C3b labeling in plasma. Subsequently, the inhibition of C5 10 convertases by Efb (mutants) in plasma using an alternative pathway hemolytic assay was examined. Rabbit erythrocytes were incubated with human plasma and C5 cleavage was measured by means of C5b-9 dependent lysis of erythrocytes. In conjunction with previous results in serum, it can 15 be see that all Efb mutants except for EfbΔC3 inhibited C5 cleavage in plasma (FIG. 4C). Since this inhibition exclusively depends on the C-terminal domain (all Fg binding mutants of Efb could still block C5 cleavage), this proves that interference with C5 cleavage is at least not sufficient 20 for phagocytosis inhibition by Efb. To further show that the effects of Efb on complement activation are dispensable for phagocytosis inhibition a washing step was added to the phagocytosis assay. Bacteria were first incubated with serum (in the absence of Efb) to deposit C3b. After washing away 25 unbound serum proteins (including C5a), these pre-opsonized bacteria were incubated with Fg and neutrophils. In this assay, Efb could potently block phagocytosis (FIG. 4D). In conclusion, these results indicate that the anti-phagocytic activity of Efb is not related to its complement-inhibitory 30 effect.

FIG. 5A shows an ELISA showing that Efb can bind Fg and C3b at the same time. C3b-coated microtiter wells were incubated with Efb (mutants) and, after washing, incubated with 50 nM Fg that was detected with a peroxidase-conjugated anti-Fg antibody (Abcam). Graph is a representative of two independent studies performed in duplicate. FIG. 5B shows binding of ALEXA FLUORTM 488-labeled Fg (60 $\mu g/ml$) to serum-opsonized S. aureus in the presence of Efb (mutants) (0.5 μ M). Graph represents mean±se of three dindependent experiments. *P<0.05, **P<0.005 for Efb versus buffer (two-tailed Student's t-test). N.S. is not significant. FIG. 5C shows confocal analysis of samples generated in B (representative images). FIG. 5D shows TEM pictures of S. aureus incubated with 5% human plasma in the absence or presence of Efb (0.5 μ M).

Efb covers S. aureus with a shield of Fg. To determine whether Efb might bind to C3b-labeled bacteria and then attract Fg to the surface, full-length Efb binding to Fg and C3b at the same time. C3b-coated microtiter plates were 50 incubated with Efb and, after a washing step, treated with Fg. FIG. 5A shows that Efb is able to form a complex with C3b and Fg. Also, the EfbΔFg1 and EfbΔFg2 mutants could still form Fg-C3b complexes. In contrast, complex formation was not detected for the mutants that lack either both Fg (Efb Δ Fg1+2) or the C3 binding domains (Efb Δ C3) (FIG. 5A). Then Efb binding and attracting Fg to pre-opsonized bacteria was examined. Therefore, S. aureus was pre-opsonized with human serum to deposit complement and subsequently incubated with Efb. After washing, bacteria 60 were incubated with ALEXA FLUORTM 488 conjugated Fg. Using both flow cytometry and confocal microscopy it can be seen that that Efb mediates Fg binding to pre-opsonized bacteria (FIGS. 5B, 5C). Consistent with the ELISA data for complex formation, no Fg binding was detected in the 65 presence of EfbΔFg1+2 or EfbΔC3. Confocal analyses indicated that Efb covers the complete bacterial surface with Fg

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(FIG. 5C). Using Transmission Electron Microscopy this Fg layer created by Efb and be seen in more detail. After incubation of *S. aureus* with plasma and Efb, a diffuse outer layer formed around the bacteria (FIG. 5D). Altogether these studies show that Efb binds to C3b on the bacterial surface and subsequently attracts Fg forming a shield around the bacterial surface.

Flow cytometry assay detecting binding of soluble CR1 (FIG. 6A) or anti-IgG antibody (FIG. 6B) to pre-opsonized S. aureus in the presence of buffer, Efb (0.5 μ M) and/or Fg (200 μ g/ml). FIG. 6C shows Efb inhibits phagocytosis of encapsulated S. aureus by human neutrophils. FITC-labeled S. aureus strain Reynolds (high capsule CP5 expressing strain) was incubated with human plasma and/or Efb (0.5 μ M) in the presence (dotted line) or absence (solid line) of polyclonal rabbit anti-CP5 antibody. All figures represent the mean f se of three separate experiments. *P<0.05, **P<0.005 for Efb+Fg versus buffer (A, B) or Efb versus buffer (for dotted lines) (two-tailed Student's t-test).

Efb blocks recognition of C3b and IgG on the surface. Since Efb covers bacteria with a shield of Fg, which would frustrate the binding of phagocytic receptors to their ligands on the bacterial surface using flow cytometry, it was first analyzed whether C3b-labeled bacteria were still recognized by CR1. Pre-opsonized S. aureus was incubated with soluble CR1 in the presence of Fg and Efb. Clearly, binding of CR1 to pre-opsonized bacteria was blocked by the presence of both Fg and Efb (FIG. 6A). Addition of Fg or Efb alone did not affect CR1 binding. Next, it was investigated whether the Fg shield specifically blocks C3b-CR1 interactions or whether it also disturbs the binding of neutrophil Fc receptors to opsonic antibodies. To analyze this, it was determined whether the Fc part of bacterium-bound IgG could still be recognized by specific antibodies and found that incubation of pre-opsonized bacteria with Efb and Fg disturbs recognition of the antibody Fc domain on the surface (FIG. 6B), suggesting that Fc receptors can no longer recognize their target. This information is crucial for future vaccine development since opsonic antibodies against S. aureus may not function when Efb hides these antibodies underneath an Fg shield. To further prove that Efb functionally blocks opsonization, phagocytosis of an encapsulated S. aureus strain in the presence or absence of anti-capsular antibodies was analyzed. The encapsulated S. aureus strain Reynolds was grown for 24 hours in Columbia agar supplemented with 2% NaCl (for optimal capsule expression) and subsequently labeled with FITC. Capsule expression after FITClabeling was confirmed using specific antibodies. In low plasma concentrations (0-1%), it was observed that anticapsular antibodies caused a 6-fold increase in phagocytic uptake of encapsulated S. aureus (FIG. 6C). At these plasma concentrations, Efb could not block phagocytosis. However, at higher plasma concentrations (3% and more), Efb potently impeded phagocytosis in the presence of anticapsule antibody (FIG. 6C). These data support our idea that the Fg shield created by Efb prevents recognition of important opsonins like C3b and IgG, also in the context of a capsule-expressing strain that is targeted by specific anti-

FIG. 7A left shows immunoblot detecting Efb in 4 h and 20 h culture supernatants of *S. aureus* Newman; fixed concentrations of His-tagged Efb were loaded as controls. FIG. 7A right shows immunoblot of 4 h culture supernatants of *S. aureus* Newman (WT), an isogenic Efb deletion mutant (Δ Efb) and its complemented strain (Δ Efb+pEfb). Blots were developed using polyclonal sheep anti-Efb and Peroxidase-labeled donkey anti-sheep antibodies. Blot is a

representative of two independent experiments. FIG. 7B shows flow cytometry analysis of the binding of ALEXA FLUOR™ 488-labeled Fg to pre-opsonized S. aureus in the presence of 4 h culture supernatants (2-fold diluted) or purified Efb (250 nM). FIG. 7C shows in vitro phagocytosis 5 of fluorescently labeled S. aureus by purified human neutrophils. Pre-opsonized S. aureus was first incubated with 4 h culture supernatants (2-fold diluted) or purified Efb (250 nM) and subsequently mixed with Fg and neutrophils. FIG. 7D shows in vivo phagocytosis of GFP-expressing wild- 10 type or Efb-deficient S. aureus strains by neutrophils in the mouse peritoneal cavity. Neutrophils were attracted to the peritoneal cavity using carrageenan (i.p.) and subsequently injected with 300 µl of GFP-expressing wild-type (SA WT) or Efb-deficient (SAΔEfb) S. aureus strains during the 15 exponential phase of growth. The peritoneal lavage was collected 1 hour thereafter and neutrophil phagocytosis was analyzed by flow cytometry. Neutrophils were gated based on Gr-1 expression. Graphs in B-D represent mean f se of three independent experiments. *P<0.05, **P<0.005 for 20 Buffer versus WT Sup or WT (Sup) versus ΔEfb (Sup) (two-tailed Student's t-test).

Endogenous Efb blocks phagocytosis in vitro and in vivo. To study whether endogenous expression of Efb leads to impaired phagocytosis of S. aureus via complex formation, 25 the analyses was extended with (supernatants of) an isogenic Efb-deletion mutant in S. aureus Newman. First immunoblotting was performed to semi-quantify the production levels of Efb in liquid bacterial culture supernatants. Supernatants of wild-type (WT) S. aureus Newman were subjected to 30 Immunoblotting and developed using polyclonal anti-Efb antibodies (FIG. 7A). Efb expression in the supernatant was quantified using ImageJ software and compared with fixed concentrations of purified (His-tagged) Efb using linear regression analysis ($R^2=0.986$). Efb levels in 4 hours and 20 33 hours supernatants contained 1.1 µM and 0.9 µM Efb respectively. Although the Efb levels in strain Newman are suspected to be higher than in other S. aureus strains (up to 10-fold, due to a point mutation in the SaeR/S regulatory system that drives expression of immune evasion genes), the 40 fact that these levels are >10 times higher than the calculated IC_{50} needed for phagocytosis inhibition (0.08 μ M, FIG. 1C), suggests that Efb concentrations required for phagocytosis inhibition can be reached in vivo. In a separate Immunoblot, the presence of Efb was checked in 4 hours supernatants of 45 the WT, Efb-deficient (ΔEfb) and the complemented strain (ΔEfb+pEfb) confirming the lack of Efb expression in the mutant (FIG. 7A). Next these supernatants were used to study whether endogenous Efb can mediate C3b-Fg complex formation on the bacterial surface. S. aureus was first 50 incubated with serum to deposit C3b, then mixed with bacterial supernatants and subsequently incubated with fluorescently labeled Fg. Whereas WT supernatants attracted Fg to the surface of pre-opsonized bacteria, Efb-deficient supernatants did not mediate complex formation (FIG. 7B). This 55 phenotype was restored in the complemented strain. Then it was studied whether endogenous Efb could inhibit phagocytosis by neutrophils in vitro. Therefore, it was repeated the latter study (but using fluorescent bacteria and unlabeled Fg) and subsequently mixed the bacteria with human neutro- 60 phils. That supernatants of WT and complemented strains were found to inhibit phagocytosis, while Efb-deficient supernatants did not influence this process (FIG. 7B). To mimic bacterial phagocytosis during a natural infection, carrageenan-treated mice were injected i.p. with GFP-ex- 65 pressing WT S. aureus or the Efb-deficient mutant in their original broth culture and sacrificed 1 h thereafter. Mice

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were subjected to peritoneal lavage and the percentage of neutrophils with internalized staphylococci was determined by flow cytometry. As depicted in FIG. 7D, the Efb-deficient *S. aureus* strain was phagocytosed by neutrophils to a significantly higher extent than the WT strain despite of the fact that the amount of inoculated bacteria was comparable in both groups (app. 2×10⁷). These observations demonstrate that the levels of Efb produced by *S. aureus* are sufficient for preventing phagocytosis in vivo.

FIG. **8** shows a schematic picture of the phagocytosis escape mechanism by Efb. Left, Complement activation on the bacterial surface results in massive labeling of *S. aureus* with C3b molecules, while Fg stays in solution. Right, *S. aureus* secretes Efb, which binds to surface-bound C3b via its C-terminal domain. Using its N-terminus, Efb attracts Fg to the bacterial surface. This way, *S. aureus* is covered with a shield of Fg that prevents binding of phagocytic receptors to important opsonins like C3b and IgG.

The coagulation system has a dual role in the host defense against bacterial infections. On one hand, coagulation supports innate defenses by entrapment and killing of invading bacteria inside clots or via the formation of small antibacterial and pro-inflammatory peptides. On the other hand, bacterial pathogens can utilize coagulation proteins to protect themselves from immune defenses. It was found that S. aureus effectively protects itself from immune recognition by secreting Efb that specifically attracts Fg from the solution to the bacterial surface creating a capsule-like shield (FIG. 8). To accomplish this, Efb forms a multimolecular complex of soluble Fg and surface-bound C3b. The fact that the levels of C3b at the bacterial surface are high and that Fg is an abundant plasma protein (1.5-4.0 g/L) makes this a very efficient anti-phagocytic mechanism. The Fg shield created by Efb effectively protects S. aureus from recognition by phagocyte receptors. The attracted Fg was found not only to block the binding of C3b to its receptor, but also hides the important opsonin IgG underneath the Fg shield. This information is critical for vaccine development against S. aureus. Generation of protective 'opsonizing' antibodies recognizing S. aureus surface structures was considered to be an important goal of vaccination. However, these antibodies will not function if they are protected underneath a layer of Fg. Including Efb in future vaccines might be beneficial as it could prevent formation of this anti-phagocytic shield and enhance the function of opsonizing antibodies. The fact that Efb is conserved among S. aureus strains may make it a suitable vaccine candidate.

In addition to Efb, S. aureus secretes two other proteins that specifically interact with the coagulation system: the S. aureus 'coagulases' named Coagulase and Von Willebrand factor binding protein are secreted proteins that activate prothrombin in a nonproteolytic manner and subsequently convert Fg into fibrin. Thereby, coagulases embed bacteria within a network of fibrin, protecting them from immune recognition and facilitate formation of S. aureus abscesses and persistence in host tissues. Coagulase and Efb are expressed at the same time during infection since they are both regulated by the SaeRS regulator for secreted (immune evasion) proteins. Efb is highly important for proper functioning of Coagulase since Efb can attract Fg to the bacterial surface. This way, Efb may aid Coagulase-dependent fibrin formation to occur close to the bacterial surface instead of in solution. Nevertheless, these studies show that Efb can block phagocytosis in the absence of prothrombin and Coagulase. However, in a more complex environment the anti-phagocytic mechanisms of Efb and S. aureus Coagulase might work synergistically. Furthermore, it seems tempting to

speculate that the ability of Efb to attract Fg to the bacterial surface is also beneficial in other infection processes like adhesion. Since, Fg is an important constituent of the extracellular matrix (ECM), Efb might also facilitate binding of C3b-opsonized bacteria to the ECM. In fact, Efb was previously classified as an adhesion molecule belonging to the group of SERAMs (secreted expanded repertoire adhesive molecules). However, as a secreted protein, Efb cannot facilitate bacterial adhesion if it solely binds to Fg in the ECM without interacting with the bacterial surface. Binding to C3b-labeled bacteria via the Efb C-terminus might therefore be crucial for effective bacterial adhesion to Fg.

The pathogenic potential of S. aureus is a result of its versatile interactions with multiple host factors, evidenced by the fact that it can survive at multiple sites of the body 15 causing a wide range of infections. At most body sites, S. aureus has to deal with cellular and humoral components of the immune system. However, increasing evidence now suggests that S. aureus protects itself from immune defense by forming abscess communities surrounded by capsule-like 20 structures that prevent neutrophil invasion. This study shows that Efb might be crucial in the formation of these capsules. Furthermore, these whole blood assays show that Efb may also play an important role in S. aureus survival in the blood allowing it to spread to other sites of the body. Previous 25 studies using animal models have highlighted the critical role of Efb in S. aureus pathogenesis. For instance, Efb delays wound healing in a rat wound infection model and is important for S. aureus pneumonia and abscess formation in kidneys. The in vivo studies corroborate the in vitro findings 30 and show that complex formation can occur under physiological conditions in vivo, however, the available mouse models do not closely mimic this process during clinical infections in humans. Efb is produced in later stages of bacterial growth, thus the bacteria need time to produce Efb 33 before they come into contact with neutrophils. Since neutrophils need to be recruited from the blood to the site of the infection, there normally is time for Efb production and complex formation, especially in the human host where an infection starts with a low number of bacteria. In contrast, in 40 available mouse models the timing is much different as a high inoculum (up to 10⁸ bacteria) is required to establish an infection and these high numbers of bacteria trigger a strong inflammatory response resulting in that the bacteria are already phagocytized before Efb is produced. For this rea- 45 son, the bacteria were mixed with their supernatants to ensure the presence of endogenous Efb during the course of the studies and chosen a model in which neutrophils are already attracted to the infection site to focus on the antiphagocytic activity of the molecule. Future studies are 50 needed to design and execute appropriate animal studies that overcome the limitations of current models and better reflect the clinical situation. The present disclosure provides that full-length Efb can inhibit phagocytosis in a unique way through its dual interaction with complement and Fg. Our 55 studies indicate that Efb is a highly effective immune escape molecule that blocks phagocytosis of S. aureus in vivo.

Fg is a major plasma dimeric glycoprotein composed of three polypeptides, $A\alpha$, $B\beta$, and γ . Fg is best known for its role in the later stages in the blood coagulation cascade 60 where thrombin proteolytically converts Fg to fibrin which then spontaneous assemble into the ultrastructural core of the clot. However, Fg is also a critical participant in a number of different physiological processes such as thrombosis, wound healing, and angiogenesis and in innate 65 immune defense against pathogens. A role for Fg in inflammation is evident from analysis of Fg knockout mice, which

exhibit a delayed inflammatory response as well as defects in wound healing. Furthermore, the fibrinopeptides, generated by thrombin cleavage of Fg, are potent chemoattractants, which can act as modulators in inflammatory reactions. A genetically engineered mouse expressing a mutant form of Fg that is not recognized by the leukocyte integrin $\alpha_M \beta_2$ has profound impediment in clearing *S. aureus* following intraperitoneal inoculation. This study highlights the importance of Fg interactions with the leukocyte integrin $\alpha_M \beta_2 / \text{Mac-1/complement}$ receptor 3 in the clearance of staphylococci. Fg also interacts with the complement system and modulates complement dependent clearance of bacteria.

Recent studies of some of the secreted Fg binding S. aureus virulence factors point to yet another mechanism of Fg dependent inhibition of bacterial clearance. In a mouse model of S. aureus abscess formation, Fg accumulates and is co-localized with coagulase (coa) and von Willebrand factor binding protein (vWbp) within the staphylococcal abscess lesions. The profound amount of Fg in the periphery of the abscess forms a capsule-like structure that borders the uninfected tissue and prevents phagocytes from accessing and clearing bacteria in the center of the abscess. Coagulase (Coa) is an "old" S. aureus hall mark protein best known for its ability to induce blood/plasma coagulation which allows the classification of the staphylococcal genus into coagulase positive and negative species. More recent studies have shown that Coa is a critical virulence factor in some staphylococcal diseases. Coa dependent blood coagulation is initiated when Coa activates the zymogen prothrombin by insertion of the Ile¹-Val² residues present at the N-terminus of Coa into the $\mathrm{Ile^{16}}$ pocket of prothrombin, inducing a conformational change and a functional active site in the serine protease. This activation process does not involve proteolytic cleavage of prothrombin which is required in physiological blood coagulation. The Coa/prothrombin complex then recognizes Fg as a specific substrate and converts it into fibrin. The crystal structure of Coa/prothrombin complex reveals that the exosite 1 of α -thrombin, the Fg recognition site, is blocked by D2 domain of Coa. This information raises questions concerning the nature of Fg recognition and subsequent cleavage by the complex. Coa can interact with Fg directly without the aid of prothrombin and this interaction site(s) was tentatively located to the C-terminus of Coa. The C-terminal region of Coa is comprised of tandem repeats of a 27-residue sequence that is relatively conserved among strains but the numbers of repeats varies from 5 to 8 in different strains. The Fg-binding activity of Coa was characterized and show that Coa contains multiple copies of a Fg binding motif that is structurally and functionally related to the Fg binding motifs in Efb. The interaction of this common motif with Fg is analyzed in some detail.

FIG. 9A illustrates a schematic presentation of recombinant Coa fragments generated in this study. Coa is depicted in its secreted form Coa (27-636) lacking the signal peptide (1-26). The N-terminus of Coa (Coa-N; Coa 27-310) constitutes D1D2 prothrombin binding domain. The C-terminus of Coa (Coa-C; Coa 311-636) includes the central region and the tandem-repeat region. The Coa-C further divides into two parts, the Coa-R is corresponding to the tandem-repeat region covering residue 506-636, and the Coa-F fragment covering residues 311-505. Recombinant protein Coa-R0 corresponds to the residues 474-506 residues. In the figure, SP represents the signal peptide, N shows the N-terminus of the protein, C represents the C-terminus of the protein and the dark grey box represents the GST tag. FIG. 9B illustrates an ELISA assays of GST-tagged Coa fragments binding to

immobilized Fg. Open circle, Coa (Coa 27-636); open upright triangle, Coa-N(Coa 27-310); open inverted triangle, Coa-C(Coa 311-636); closed circle, Coa-R (Coa 506-636); closed diamond, Coa-F (Coa 311-505). FIG. 9C is a table that shows the protein concentration at which the reaction 5 rate is half of Vmax (Km), and the goodness of fit (R²). FIG. 9D illustrates the effect of peptide Efb-O on inhibition of rCoa binding to Fg. Increasing concentration of Efb-O were incubated with 4 nM GST-tagged Coa proteins in Fg-coated microtiter wells. Control, BSA.

Staphylococcal Coagulase contains multiple Fibrinogen binding sites. With the goal to identify the Fg-binding motifs in Coa we first sought to locate the Fg-binding site(s) in the protein. To this end, a panel of recombinant proteins covering different segments of Coa (FIG. 9A) was constructed and examined their Fg-binding activities in an ELISA-type binding assay. Earlier observations that Coa interacts with Fg primarily through the disordered C-terminal part of the protein (Coa-C, corresponding to residues Coa 27-636) were confirmed. Fg-binding to recombinant Coa-C is a concen- 20 tration dependent process that exhibits saturation kinetics and shows half maximum binding at 7.5 nM (FIG. 9B). The tandem repeat region of Coa (fragment Coa-R, corresponding to residues Coa 506-636) binds to Fg in a similar way but with a higher apparent affinity (0.8 nM) compared to that of the whole C terminus (Coa-C). A recombinant protein containing the segment between the D1D2 domain and Coa-R was therefore constructed (fragment Coa-F, corresponding to residues Coa 311-505) and that recombinant Coa-F also binds Fg (FIG. 9B). The N-terminal D1D2 domain of Coa 30 (Coa-N) that contains the prothrombin binding activity also interacts with Fg. However, the apparent affinity observed for Coa-N binding to Fg was much lower than that exhibited by Coa-C and the Fg-binding activity of the Coa-N was therefore not further examined in this study.

The fibrinogen binding activities in Coagulase and Efb are functionally related. Fg-binding activity of Efb protein has been located to a disordered region in the N-terminal part of the protein. Two related Fg-binding segments in Efb named Efb-O (corresponding to Efb 68-98) and Efb-A (correspond- 40 ing to Efb 30-67) were identified (FIG. 2A). The Efb-O segment was determined to have a higher affinity for Fg compared to Efb-A but that the two motifs likely bound to the same region in Fg since recombinant Efb-O (rEfb-O) effectively inhibited rEfb-A binding to the host protein. 45 Because the Fg-binding activities in Efb and Coa are both located to disordered regions and both proteins can induce a protective Fg containing barrier we explored the possibility that the Fg-binding motifs in the two proteins are functionally related. To this end it was used a competition ELISA 50 where the binding of recombinant Coa to Fg coated wells was quantitated in the presence of increasing concentrations of the synthetic peptide Efb-O (sEfb-O) that mimics the high affinity Fg-binding motif in Efb. Peptide sEfb-O effectively inhibited recombinant Coa binding to Fg (FIG. 9D), suggesting that Coa and Efb are functionally related and that the dominant Fg-binding motifs found in the two proteins likely bind to the same or overlapping sites in Fg.

FIG. 10A is a table of the Efb-O variant peptides were synthesized where each residue in the sequence is individually replaced with Ala (or Ser when the native a.a. is Ala). FIG. 10B is a plot of the Efb-O variant peptides inhibit rEfb-O (5 nM) binding to immobilized Fg in solid phase assay. Wells were coated with 0.25 μ g/well Fg. Peptides (2 μ M) were mixed with rEfb-O proteins (5 nM) and incubated 65 in the Fg wells for 1 hour. FIG. 10C is a plot showing selected peptides inhibit rEfb-O binding to immobilized Fg.

Increasing concentrations of Efb peptides were incubated with 5 nM rEfb-O in Fg-coated microtiter wells. To identify the residues in Efb-O that are important for Fg binding an Alanine scanning approach was used. A panel of Efb-O variant peptides were synthesized where each residue in the sequence is individually replaced with Ala (or Ser when the native a.a. is Ala; FIG. 10A). The individual peptides are then examined for their ability to compete with the binding of rEfb-O (5 nM) to immobilized Fg. The inhibitory activity of the peptides was compared at a fixed concentration (2 µM) for each peptide (FIG. 10B) and at increasing concentrations for selected peptides (FIG. 10C). As the Efb-O sequence is found in a disordered segment of the protein, the peptides are likely to be very flexible in solution. Therefore, a peptide's inhibitory activity reflects its relative affinity for Fg.

As expected, the control wild-type peptide sEfb-O efficiently blocked the corresponding recombinant protein rEfb-O from binding to Fg, demonstrating that peptide sEfb-O has full Fg binding activity compared to rEfb-O. Surprisingly Ala substitution of over 15 residues distributed throughout the 25 amino acid long Efb-O motif resulted in loss or significant reduction in inhibitory activity (FIG. 10B), suggesting that residues throughout the entire segment are involved in Fg-binding. The results revealed that peptides in which Ala replaces residues K^1 , I^3 , H^7 , Y^9 , I^{11} , E^{13} , F^{14} , D^{16} , G^{17} , T^{18} , F^{19} , Y^{21} , G^{22} , R^{24} and P^{25} lose their ability to inhibit rEfb-O binding (shown in red color in FIG. 10B), indicating that these residues are critical for Efb-O to bind to Fg (FIG. 10B). Ala replacement of residues Ile³ and Glu¹³ resulting in peptides sEfb-03 (I3A) and sEfb-013 (E13A), respectively, showed a markedly reduced yet significant dose dependent inhibitory activity suggesting that the residues Ile³ and Glu¹³ play some but less important roles in the Fg interaction (FIG. 10C).

Coa-F contains an Efb like fibringen binding motif. FIG. 11A is an image of a ClustalW alignment of amino acid sequence from Efb-O (Efb 68-98) and Coa from Newman strain (col-Newman). Sequence similarity was identified at Coa 474-505. Bold letters denote conserved residues and underlined letters represent similar residues. FIGS. 11B and 11C show a comparison of amino acid sequence of Efb-O with Coa 474-505 (FIG. 11B) and Coa 506-532 (FIG. 11C). Large letters in Efb-O indicate the residues important for Fg binding. The red letters show the identical residues and the yellow letters indicate the similar residues. FIGS. 11D and 11E shows the effect of Coa peptides on inhibition of rEfb-N (Efb 30-104) (FIG. 11D) and rCoa-C(Coa 311-636) (FIG. 11E) binding to Fg by the inhibition ELISA assays. Increasing concentration of Coa peptides was incubated with 2 nM GST fusion proteins in Fg-coated microtiter wells. Closed square, sCoa-O; closed circle, sCoa-RI; closed triangle, sEfb-O.

Next, sequences similar to the Fg-binding motifs in Efb were identified in Coa by comparing the amino acid sequence of Efb-O with Coa and found that a segment corresponding to residues Coa 474-505, named Coa-O, showed 56% amino acid identity and 75% similarity to that of the Efb-O sequence (FIG. 11A). Strikingly, of the residues in Efb-O determined to be important for Fg-binding (FIG. 10B) and FIG. 11B all but three are conserved in Coa-O (FIG. 10B, shown in large red and orange letters), indicating that Coa-O likely constitutes an Efb-like Fg-binding motif. A peptide was synthesized that corresponds to the Coa-O sequence (sCoa-O) and determined its Fg binding activity in a competition ELISA. Microtiter wells were coated with Fg and binding of the recombinant N-terminal segment of Efb

(rEfb-N), that harbors the two Fg binding sites, was quantitated in the presence of increasing concentration of different synthetic peptides. As expected, the control peptide sEfb-O potently inhibited rEfb-N binding to the Fg surface (FIG. 11D). Peptide sCoa-O also acted as a potent inhibitor of the rEfb-N/Fg interaction (FIG. 11D), demonstrating that the Coa segment covered by residues 474-505 contains a Fg-binding site. The result also suggested that Coa-O likely competed with Efb-O for the same site in Fg.

It is noted that the repeated sequence of Coa contains 10 remnants of the Efb Fibrinogen binding motif. The C-terminus of Coa harbors tandem repeats of a 27-residues segment and this region has been shown to bind Fg (FIGS. 9A and 9B). However, a Fg-binding motif has not been identified in the repeat region of Coa. An initial blast search 15 failed to identify an Efb like Fg-binding motif in the Coa repeats but when the Efb-O sequence and the first repeat sequence were over-layered and showed that remnants of the Efb motif are also found in the Coa repeat sequences (FIG. 11C). Importantly the common residues are some of the ones 20 shown to be critical for Efb-O binding to Fg (Bold letters represent the identical residues and underlined residues represent the similar residues). This observation suggests that the Coa repeats may bind Fg and possibly help define a functional register in the repeats. To investigate if the Coa 25 repeats indeed have Fg binding activity, a peptide that constitutes the first 27 residues (Coa 506-532) (named sCoa-RI) was synthesized. This assumes that the functional Fg-binding repeats are directly following onto Coa-O (474-505). The Fg-binding activity of sCoa-RI was compared 30 with those of sCoa-O and sEfb-O in competition ELISAs (FIGS. 11D, 11E) where increasing concentrations of the peptides were used to inhibit the binding of rEfb-N (FIG. 11D) or rCoa-C (FIG. 11E) to Fg. All three peptides effectively inhibited rEfb-N binding to Fg, suggesting that the 33 sCoa-RI also contains a Fg binding site likely targeting the same site in Fg as that recognized by Efb and Coa-O. Furthermore, sCoa-RI was a somewhat more effective inhibitor than sCoa-O despite the fact that the Coa-O sequence is more similar to that of Efb-O than Coa-RI. This 40 observation suggests that some of the residues unique to Coa-RI are also participating in the Fg interaction. To determine what residues in Coa-RI are important for Fgbinding the Ala scanning approach was again used.

The residues in Coa-RI important for fibringen binding. 45 FIG. 12A is a panel of coa-RI variant peptides were synthesized where each residue in the sequence is individually replaced with Ala (or Ser when the native a.a. is Ala). FIG. 12B shows inhibition of GST-tagged rCoa-C(Coa 311-636) (2 nM) binding to immobilized Fg in solid phase assay by 50 sCoa-RI variant peptide (50 µM). Wells were coated with 0.25 μg/well Fg. Labels -1, -2, -3, -4, -5, -6, -7, -8, -9, -10, -11, -12, -13, -14, -15, -16, -17, -18, -19, -20, -21, -22, -23, -24, -25, -26, -27 refer to Coa-RI-1, Coa-RI-2, Coa-RI-3, Coa-RI-4, Coa-RI-5, Coa-RI-6, Coa-RI-7, Coa-RI-8, Coa-55 RI-9, Coa-RI-10, Coa-RI-11, Coa-RI-12, Coa-RI-13, Coa-RI-14, Coa-RI-15, Coa-RI-16, Coa-RI-17, Coa-RI-18, Coa-RI-19, Coa-RI-20, Coa-RI-21, Coa-RI-22, Coa-RI-23, Coa-RI-24, Coa-RI-25, Coa-RI-26, Coa-RI-27, respectively. FIG. 12C is a comparison of amino acid sequence of Efb-O 60 with Coa-RI. FIG. 12D is a Fg-binding register of tandem repeats in Coa. Bold letters denote the residues that are important for Fg binding. The peptide panel generated and tested is shown in FIG. 12A. Binding of a fixed concentration of rCoa-C (2 nM) to immobilized Fg was determined in 65 the presence of a fixed concentration of these peptides (50 uM) (FIG. 12B). Interestingly, results revealed a similar

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pattern to that observed for Efb-O showing that the Ala substitution of over 13 residues distributed throughout the 27 amino acid long Coa-RI motif resulted in loss or significant reduction in inhibitory activity (FIG. 12B). This result suggests that, similar to Efb-O, residues in the entire segment of Coa-RI are involved in Fg binding. The results also showed that peptides in which alanine replaces residues $N^3,$ $Y^5,$ $V^7,$ $T^8,$ $T^9,$ $H^{10},$ $N^{12},$ $G^3,$ V^{15} $Y^{17}G^{18}$ R^{20} and P^{21} (FIG. 12B) lose their ability to inhibit rCoa-C binding (FIG. 12B, shown), indicating that these residues are critical for Coa-RI to bind to Fg. Efb-O and Coa-RI sequences were compared to see how the critical residues in the two motifs line up. Strikingly, despite difference in numbers of residues and no extensive sequence identities between them, the critical residues in Coa-RI correlate with similar residues in the corresponding position in Efb-O (FIG. 12C, bold, identical residues; underline, similar residues, italics, non-similar residues). Furthermore, sequence comparisons within the different 27 residues repeats showed that the identified critical residues are conserved or replaced by similar residues (FIG. 12D).

FIG. 13A is a schematic presentation of Coa peptides. FIG. 13B is a plot of the effect of Coa peptides on inhibition of rCoa-C binding to fibrinogen. Increasing concentrations of synthetic peptides were incubated with 4 nM GST fusion protein in Fg-coated microtiter wells. Peptide sCoa-RI appears to be the most potent inhibitor. Closed circle, sCoa-RI; closed square, coa-R12 peptide; closed upright triangle, coa-R13; closed inverted triangle, coa-RI4; closed diamond, coa-RV1; open circle, coa-RV2; open square, coa-RV3; open triangle, coa-RV4. In previous studies the repeated unit in Coa is proposed to start with residues alanine (A^{497}) in *S. aureus* strain Newman. This register was based exclusively on sequence comparisons of Coa from different strains. To experimentally define a register of the repeats based on their Fg-binding function a panel of 27-residues peptides was synthesized and each peptide has 22-24 residues overlapped and largely covering the repeat I (RI) and repeat V (RV) (FIG. 13A). The Fg binding activities of these peptides were then investigated in a competition ELISA where the binding of rCoa-C to Fg coated microtiter wells were determined in the presence of increasing concentrations of peptide (FIG. 13B). It was observed that although peptides sCoa-RI, —RI2, —RI3, —RI4 and —RV1 showed some inhibitory activity, peptide sCoa-RI appears to be the most potent inhibitor among these eight peptides, suggesting that sCoa-RI (Coa 506-532) has the highest affinity for Fg (FIG. 13B) and that sCoa-RI likely represents a functional repeat unit that interacts with Fg. Notably, peptide sCoa-RV₂ (Coa 605-631), representing the previously proposed register, did not inhibit Fg binding in the experimental condition tested (FIG. 13B), indicating that this peptide has very low, if any, Fg binding activity. The results show that the functional (Fg binding) register of the repeat section is as outlined in FIG. 12D.

sCoa-RI, -RI3 and -RV bind to fibrinogen Coa-RI binds with higher affinity than other Coa peptides to Fg-D. FIGS. 14A-C shows a characterization of the interaction of Fg-D fragment with Coa peptides by VP-ITC. Binding isotherms for the interaction of Fg-D with Coa peptide sCoa-RI (FIG. 14A), sCoa-RI3 (FIG. 14B) and sCoa-RV (FIG. 14C) were generated by titrating the peptides (~200 µM) into an ITC cell containing 10 µM Fg-D. The top panels show heat difference upon injection of coa peptides, and the lower panels show integrated heat of injections. The data were fitted to a one-binding site model (bottom panels), and binding affinities are expressed as dissociation constants

(K_D) or the reciprocal of the association constants determined by Microcal Origin software. N represents the binding ratio. To generate more quantitative binding data for the Coa peptide Fg interaction isothermal titration calorimetry and titrated the Coa peptides into a solution containing a 5 fixed concentration of Fg-D fragments was used. Synthetic peptide sCoa-RI (Coa 506-532) bound to Fg-D fragment with a high affinity (K_D =88 nM) and a binding stoichiometry is 0.93 (FIG. 14A), suggesting that one molecule of sCoa-RI bound to one Fg-D molecule. Interactions between peptide 10 sCoa-RI3 (Coa 502-528) and Fg-D fragments revealed an affinity of 124 nM (K_D); whereas sCoa-RV1 (Coa 610-636) had a K_D of 139 nM (FIG. 14B and FIG. 14C, respectively). These results corroborated with our competition ELISA results (FIG. 13B) and showed that sCoa-RÎ (Coa 506-532) bound Fg-D stronger than sCoa-R13 (Coa 502-528) and sCoa-RV1 (Coa 610-636).

FIG. 15 shows Coa and Efb prevent monocytic cells from adherence to fibrinogen. Attachment of THP-1 cells to Fg immobilized on the 48-wells was inhibited by the addition of 20 monoclonal αM antibody M1/70 (20 μg/ml), rEfb (0.2 μM) and rCoa (0.5 μM). Addition of single peptide alone (sEfb-O, sEfb-A as well as sCoa-RI and sCoa-O, respectively, 0.5 uM each) or combination of two peptides together (sEfb-A+sEfb-O) or (sCoa-O+sCoa-RI), 0.5 μM each, did not 25 inhibit THP-1 adherence. However, preincubation of sCoa-O peptide (50 uM) with rEfb (0.2 uM) or sEfb-O (50 μM) with rCoa (0.2 μM) reverses the inhibitory activities elicited by rEfb or rCoa. Error bars, S.D., n>3. As Coa and Efb share similar Fg binding motif and could inhibit each 30 other from binding to Fg, it was explored if Coa could also inhibit THP-1 monocytic cells adherence to Fg. THP-1 cells adhere to immobilized Fg primary through $\alpha M\beta 2$ integrin (also named Mac-1, CR3). In consistent to previously reported, antibody against αM (M1/70) inhibits THP-1 adherence to immobilized Fg (FIG. 15), confirming adherence of THP-1 cells to Fg is primary mediated by αMβ2 integrin. Efb has been shown to block neutrophil-Fg interaction in an α M β 2 dependent mechanism. Here as expected, Efb also efficiently inhibited THP-1 binding to Fg (FIG. 15). 40 Similar to Efb, rCoa protein, that harbors multiple Fg binding motif, could also inhibit cell adherence to Fg surface. Interestingly, application of single individual synthetic peptides efb-O or efb-a that each contains one single Fg binding motif or in combination of two peptides (sEfb- 45 O+sEfb-A) together did not show an effect. Similar phenomena were observed for sCoa-O and sCoa-RI, suggesting that inhibition of THP-1 cells adherence to Fg requires more than one Fg binding sites in one molecule. This is further peptide can partially, if not all, resolve the inhibitory effect mediated by rEfb or rCoa proteins (FIG. 15). In this situation, an excess amount of peptide sEfb-O or sCoa-O (50 uM) was mixed with rCoa (0.5 uM) or rEfb-N (0.2 uM), respectively, in the adherence assay. Coa is functionally related to 55 Efb and that similar to Efb and Coa also inhibits monocytic-Fg interaction in α M β 2 dependent process.

The pathogenic potential of *S. aureus* is a result of its multitude of virulence factors and their versatile interactions with multiple host factors. As a result *S. aureus* can survive 60 and strive at many tissue sites in the host and cause a wide range of diseases. Fibrinogen is a surprisingly common target for many of the staphylococcal virulence factor proteins. The known Fg-binding staphylococcal proteins largely fall into two groups: a family of structurally related cell-wall 65 anchored proteins of the MSCRAMM type that include ClfA, ClfB, FnbpA, FnbpB and Bbp/SdrE) and a group of

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secreted smaller proteins (sometimes referred to as the SERAMs) that include Efb, Coa, von Willebrand factor-binding protein (vWbp), extracellular matrix binding protein (Emp) and extracellular adherence protein (Eap). The Fg-binding sites in the MSCRAMs are located to a segment of the proteins composed of two IgG-folded sub-domains that bind Fg by variants of the so called "dock, lock, and latch" mechanism. In this mechanism a short, disordered segment of Fg docks in a trench formed between the two sub-domains through beta-complementation to a strand of the second sub-domain which subsequently triggers conformational changes in the MSCRAMM resulting in the subsequent steps.

The secreted proteins do not share a common domain organization and the mechanisms of Fg-binding used by these proteins remain largely unknown. However, these proteins do have some features in common. One, they all interact with multiple ligands and Fg is the common ligand among them. Two, they all contribute to S. aureus abscess formation in animal infection models. Three, an intrinsically disordered region represents a significant part of each protein and it has previously been shown that the Fg binding sites in Efb is located to its disordered region. A disordered protein is particularly suited for accommodating multiple ligands since several interacting motifs can fit in a short segment of the protein and these motifs can be overlapping because the segment has structural plasticity. Furthermore, amino acid sequence changes in a disordered protein segment are common since in these sections amino acid residue substitutions, deletions or additions can occur without interfering with a pre-existing structure. This tendency of sequence variations makes it particularly challenging to recognize interactive sequence motifs since these are often non-precise particularly if the motif is extended. The secreted staphylococcal Coa contains multiple copies of a Fg binding motif that functionally is similar to that previously identified in Efb's but that contains significant variations. Using an Alanine scanning approach, the residues in the motifs critical for Fg binding were identified. Comparing these critical residues in the Efb and the Coa motifs we find that these are largely conserved and that the Coa and Efb motifs are variants of the same motif. This Fg-binding motif has several unique characteristics. Firstly, the motif consists of 25-27 residues long peptide. This is unusual long compared to other known and well characterized interactive motifs. Secondly, along the length of the motif almost every other residue is important for Fg binding but exchange for similar residues is tolerated.

than one Fg binding sites in one molecule. This is further supported by the observation that an excess amount of single peptide can partially, if not all, resolve the inhibitory effect mediated by rEfb or rCoa proteins (FIG. 15). In this situation, an excess amount of peptide sEfb-O or sCoa-O (50 uM) was mixed with rCoa (0.5 uM) or rEfb-N (0.2 uM), respectively, in the adherence assay. Coa is functionally related to Efb and that similar to Efb and Coa also inhibits monocytic-Fg interaction in α M β 2 dependent process.

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The Efb/Coa Fg-binding motif has been searched out in other eukaryotic and prokaryotic proteins including other eukaryotic and prokaryotic proteins in application of the protein in a non-proteolytic and prokaryotic and prokaryotic and

Efb is capable of escaping phagocytosis by formation of Fg containing shield surrounding the bacteria surface. This shield may protect the bacteria from clearance since opsonizing antibodies and phagocytes will not access the bacteria. In Efb dependent shield, Fg is brought to the surface of bacteria by Efb's ability to bind to microbial surface bound complement C3 through the C-terminal

domains of the protein and recruits Fg through the N-terminal domain of the protein. Coa contains similar Efb's binding motif for Fg and therefore likely can form a Fg containing shield but Coa does not contain any known interaction with the bacterial surface. Therefore, the Fg 5 shield may not be formed on the bacterial surface but surrounding the colony as seen in an abscess. In fact, Coa and Fg coincide in the core surrounding an abscess lesion and it is likely this core has a structural organization similar to the Fg protective shield formed by Efb. Also, some of the 10 Fg binding MSCRAMMs can assemble a protective Fg containing shield around staphylococcal cells, a mechanism that could explain the virulence potential of proteins like CIFA

It is likely that the interaction of staphylococcal proteins 15 with Fg induces a conformational change in the host molecule which may in turn increase its tendency to aggregate. Efb binding to Fg results in a masking of the site in Fg recognized by the αMβ2/Mac-1 integrin. However, Efb effectively binds to a Fg variant where this site is mutated 20 suggesting that this masking is not due to a direct competition for the site but possibly caused by an induced conformational change in Fg. Here experiments demonstrate that Coa harboring similar Fg binding motif can also inhibit THP-1 cell adherence through αMβ2/Mac-1 dependent 25 mechanism suggesting that similar conformational changes can be induced by variants of the motif present in Efb and Coa. A more complete understanding of the molecular basis for the interaction of staphylococcal proteins interaction with Fg and the resulting Fg shield formed should lead to a 30 better understanding of bacterial immune evasion strategies and may potential lead to novel strategies for the prevention and treatment of staphylococcal infections.

Secreted Fg binding proteins from *S. aureus* Coa and Efb are functionally related and locate Fg binding motifs to the intrinsically disordered section of the proteins. The residues in both the Efb and Coa Fg binding motifs were identified and it was concluded that these sequences are preserved and span a surprisingly long segment of the protein. Also, Coa contains multiples of this Fg-binding motif and define the functional register of the repeats in the disordered C-terminal region of Coa.

Bacterial Strains, Plasmids, and Culture Conditions—*Escherichia coli* XL-1 Blue was used as the host for plasmid cloning whereas *E. coli* BL21 or BL21(DE3)pLys were used 45 for expression of GST- or His-tag fusion proteins. Chromosomal DNA from *S. aureus* strain Newman was used to amplify the Coagulase DNA sequence. *E. coli* XL-1 bule and BL21 containing plasmids were grown on LB media with ampicillin (100 μg/ml) and BL21(DE3)pLys containing plasmids were grown on LB media with ampicillin (100 μg/ml) and chloramphenicol (35 μg/ml).

Cloning of Coa construct—Chromosomal DNA from *S. aureus* strain Newman was used as template for all PCR reactions using the oligonucleotide primers described in 55 supplement data. PCR products were digested with BamH I and Sal I and ligated into the pGEX-5x-1 vector or digested with BamHI and PstI and ligated into the pRSETA. Insertions were confirmed by DNA sequencing.

Expression and purification of recombinant Coa—Plas-60 mids encoding N-terminal glutathione S-transferase (GST) or N-terminal 6×His-tagged Coa fusion proteins were expressed in either *E. coli* strain BL21 (GST tagged) or strain BL21(DE3)pLys (His-tagged). Bacteria were grown overnight at 37° C. in LB containing appropriate antibiotics 65 as described above. The overnight cultures were diluted 1:20 into fresh LB medium and recombinant protein expression

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was induced with 0.2 mM IPTG for 2-3 hours. Bacteria were harvested by centrifugation and lysed using a French press. Soluble proteins were purified through glutathione-SEP-HAROSE®-4B column or by Ni-chelating chromatography according to the manufacturer's manual. Purified proteins were dialysis into TBS and stored at -20° C. Protein concentrations were determined by the Bradford assay (Pierce). Recombinant Efb proteins were purified as previously described (12).

Enzyme-linked Immunosorbent Assay—96-well immulon 4HBX microtiter plates were coated with 0.25 $\mu g/well$ full-length human Fibrinogen (diluted in PBS, Enzyme research) overnight at 4° C. unless otherwise indicated. After blocking the wells with 3% BSA/PBS, recombinant Coa proteins were added and the plates were incubated for one hour. Bound Coa proteins were detected through incubation with horseradish peroxidase (HRP)-conjugated anti-His antibodies (10,000×dilution) or HRP-conjugated anti-GST polyclonal antibodies (5000× dilution) for one hour and quantified after adding the substrate 0-phenylenediamine dihydrochloride by measuring the resulting absorbance at 450 nm in an ELISA microplate reader.

In the case of peptide inhibition assay, various concentration of Efb or Coa peptides were mixed with a fixed concentration of Coa-GST or Efb-GST fusion proteins (5-10 nM) in TBS and the bound GST fusion proteins were detected through incubation with HRP-conjugated rabbit anti-GST polyclonal antibodies (5000× dilution). All proteins were diluted in TBS containing 1% BSA and 0.05% TWEEN® 20 and the ELISA assays were carried out at room temperature.

Isothermal titration calorimetry—The interaction between Coa peptides and the soluble, isolated Fibrinogen-D fragment was further characterized by isothermal titration calorimetry (ITC) using a VP-ITC microcalorimeter. The Fibrinogen-D fragment used in these studies was generated by digesting full length Fibrinogen with plasmin for 4 h and fractionating the digestion products by gel filtration chromatography. The ITC cell contained 10 μM Fibrinogen-D fragments and the syringe contained 150-200 μM Coa peptides in TBS (25 mM Tris, 3.0 mM KCl and 140 mM NaCl, pH 7.4). All proteins were filtered through 0.22 μm membranes and degassed for 20 minutes before use. The titrations were performed at 27° C. using a single preliminary injection of 2 µl of Coa peptide followed by 30~40 injections of 5 µl with an injection speed of 0.5 µl s-1. Injections were spaced over 5-minute intervals at a stirring speed of 260 rpm. Raw titration data were fit to a one-site model of binding using MicroCal Origin version 5.0.

Cell adherence assay using cell lines—A monocytic cell line THP-1 cell stably expressing αMβ2 was maintained in RPMI1640 supplemented with 10% fetal bovine serum, 2 μM L-glutamine, 100 units/ml penicillin and 100 μg/ml streptomycin. Prior to use, cells were harvested by centrifuge, washed and suspended in RPMI 1640/1% human serum albumin. For cell adherence assays, 48-well plates were coated with 200 μl of Fibrinogen (10 μg/ml) overnight at 4° C. followed by 1 hour at 37° C. before blocking with 1% Polyvinylpyrrolidone (PVP 3600 kDa) for 45 minutes at 37° C. Subsequently, the cells were seeded 2×10⁵/well in the presence or absence of Coa or Efb recombinant proteins or peptides and incubated at 37° C. for 25 minutes. Nonadherent cells were removed by washing gently three times with PBS/1% BSA. Adherent cells were quantitated with CyQuant kit according to the manufacturer's manual.

Bacterial strains, fluorescent labeling and supernatants— The present disclosure used the laboratory *S. aureus* strains

Newman, SH1000, Reynolds and Wood 46 (with low expression of Protein A). The S. aureus strain KV27 and the S. epidermidis and E. coli strains were clinical isolates obtained within the UMCU. Targeted deletion (and complementation) of Efb in S. aureus Newman was described previously. All strains were cultured overnight on Tryptic Soy Blood Agar (BD) or Todd Hewitt Agar (with appropriate antibiotics) at 37° C. The capsule-expressing S. aureus strain Reynolds and its isogenic CP5-deficient mutant were a kind gift of Jean Lee (Harvard Medical School, Boston, USA). To 10 optimize capsule expression, strain Reynolds was grown on Columbia Agar supplemented with 2% NaCl (CSA) for 24 hours at 37° C. For fluorescent labeling of strains, bacteria were resuspended in PBS and incubated with 0.5 mg/ml fluorescein isothiocyanate (FITC, Sigma) for 30 minutes on 15 ice. Bacteria were washed twice with PBS, resuspended in RPMI medium 10 with HSA and stored at -20° C. until further use. For in vivo experiments, S. aureus Newman and the Efb mutant were transformed with the pCM29 plasmid (kindly provided by Alexander Horswill, University of 20 Iowa) allowing constitutive expression of the superfolder green fluorescent protein (sGFP) via the sarAPI promoter. To isolate bacterial supernatants, WT and mutant strains were cultured overnight in Todd Hewitt Broth (THB) without antibiotics and subsequently sub-cultured in fresh THB 25 for 4 hours or 20 hours. Cultures were centrifuged at 13,000 rpm and collected supernatants were stored at -20° C. until further use.

Protein expression and purification—Recombinant Efb proteins were generated in *E. coli* as described previously. 30 Briefly, (parts of) the efb gene from *S. aureus* strain Newman (without the signal peptide) were amplified by PCR and ligated into either the pGEX-5x-1 vector or the pRSETB vector for N-terminal fusions with glutathione S-transferase (GST) or polyhistidine respectively. Mutations of the Fg and 35 C3 binding domains were introduced in pGEX plasmids containing full-length GST-Efb as described previously. Recombinant proteins were expressed and purified according to the manufacturer's manual. In all studies where wild-type Efb was compared with mutants, GST-tagged Efb 40 were used. Otherwise His-tagged Efb was used.

ELISA—Microtiter plates were coated with human C3b or Fg, blocked with 3% BSA-PBS, and incubated with 6 nM Efb for one hour at room temperature. Efb binding was detected using peroxidase-conjugated rabbit anti-GST polyclonal antibodies and quantified using 0-phenylenediamine dihydrochloride. To study formation of C3b-Efb-Fg complexes, C3b-coated plates were incubated with Efb for one hour at room temperature. After washing, human Fg (50 nM) was added and detected through incubation with peroxidase-conjugated anti-Fg antibodies.

Preparation of Fg-D fragments—D fragments of Fg were generated by digestion of human Fg (Enzyme research) with plasmin (Enzyme research, 10 μ g/15 mg Fg) in TBS containing 10 mM CaCl₂) for 4 hours at 37° C. as described 55 earlier with modifications. D fragments (85 kD) were purified by gel filtration on SEPHACRYL® S-200 and analyzed by SDS-PAGE.

Purification of human blood products—For preparation of plasma, venous blood from healthy volunteers was collected 60 in glass vacutainers (BD) containing the anticoagulant lepirudin (50 μ g/ml). To prepare serum, blood was collected in glass vacutainers (BD) without anticoagulant and allowed to clot for 15 minutes at room temperature. Plasma and serum were collected after centrifugation for 10 minutes at 4000 65 rpm at 4° C., pooled and subsequently stored at -80° C. Complement-inactivated serum was prepared by incubation

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of serum for 30 min at 56° C. Human neutrophils were isolated freshly from heparinized blood using the Ficoll-Histopaque gradient method and used on the same day.

Mice—C57BL/6 female mice were purchased from Harlan-Winkelmann and used in studies when they were between 8 and 10 weeks of age. They were housed in microisolator cages and given food and water ad libitum.

Phagocytosis assays—Whole blood phagocytosis. FITC-labeled $S.~aureus~KV27~(1\times10^8/ml)$ was incubated with freshly isolated human lepirudin blood (50%) and buffer or Efb (0.5 μ M) in RPMI-0.05% HSA for 25 minutes at 37° C. The reaction was stopped using FACS lysing solution; samples were washed with RPMI-0.05% HSA and analyzed by flow cytometry using a FACSCalibur (BD). Gating of cells occurred on basis of forward and side scatter; for each sample the fluorescence intensity of 10,000 gated neutrophils was measured. Phagocytosis was expressed as the percentage of neutrophils that became fluorescent.

Phagocytosis with purified neutrophils and plasma/serum—FITC-labeled bacteria (5×10⁷/ml) were mixed with human serum or plasma for 2 minutes at 37° C. in the presence or absence of Efb. Freshly isolated neutrophils $(5\times10^6/\text{ml})$ were added and phagocytosis was allowed for 15 minutes at 37° C. The reaction was stopped by formaldehyde fixation and analyzed by flow cytometry. Alternatively, phagocytosis mixtures were cytospinned on glass slides and stained using Giemsa-based Diff-Quick solution. To analyze killing, phagocytosis mixtures were not fixed but incubated for an additional 90 minutes before they were diluted into ice-cold water (pH 11) and incubated for 15 minutes on ice to enable neutrophil lysis. Viable bacteria were quantified by colony enumeration. For Fg supplementation, 5% serum was supplemented with 50-200 µg/ml human or mouse Fg (kindly provided by Dr. Jay L. Degen; purified from plasma of wild type and $Fg\gamma^{390-396A}$ mice). To analyze the influence of bacterial supernatants on phagocytosis, FITC-labeled S. aureus KV27 (2.5×107 cfu) was pre-incubated with human serum for 30 min at 37° C. in Veronal Buffered Saline containing Ca2+ and Mg2+ (VBS++). After washing in VBS++-0.5% BSA, bacteria were incubated with (2-fold) diluted culture supernatants or purified Efb (250 nM) for 1 hour at 37° C. After washing, bacteria were incubated with purified Fg (60 µg/ml, Invitrogen) in RPMI-HSA for 1 hour at 37° C. and subsequently, neutrophils were added (7.5×10³ cells) and phagocytosis was allowed for 30 minutes at 37° C.

In vivo phagocytosis—S. aureus strain SH1000 was grown to mid-log phase, heat-inactivated for 60 minutes at 90° C., and fluorescently labeled with carboxyfluorescein. To induce infiltration of neutrophils within the peritoneal cavity, mice were intraperitoneally treated with 1 mg of carrageenan (Type IV1) 4 and 2 days prior to bacterial challenge. Subsequently, mice were intraperitoneally injected with 200 µl of a solution containing 108 heatinactivated carboxyfluorescein-labeled S. aureus SH1000 and Efb (1 μ M). To compare WT and Δ Efb strains, mice were directly inoculated in the peritoneal cavity with 300 µl of GFP-expressing WT or Δ Efb S. aureus cultures grown to a late exponential phase. Mice were sacrificed 1 hour thereafter, and their peritoneum was lavaged with sterile PBS. Lavage samples were centrifuged, and pelleted cells were incubated with purified anti-CD32 antibodies to block the FcR, followed by PE-conjugated anti-mouse Gr-1 antibodies. Cells were washed and quenched with trypan blue (2 mg/ml). Samples were immediately subjected to flow-cytometric analysis using a FACScan. Neutrophils were gated according to their expression of Gr-1 antigen (FL2). Phagocytosis was expressed as the percentage of neutrophils that became fluorescent.

Alternative pathway hemolysis assay—Human serum (5%) was incubated with buffer or Efb proteins (1 μ M) in 5 HEPES-MgEGTA (20 mM HEPES, 5 mM MgCl₂, 10 mM EGTA) for 15 minutes at RT. Rabbit erythrocytes were added and incubated for 60 min at 37° C. Mixtures were centrifuged and hemolysis was determined by measuring the absorbance of supernatants at 405 nm.

Immunoblotting—To analyze C3b deposition on the bacterial surface, S. aureus strain Wood46 (3×108/ml) was incubated with 5% human plasma in the presence of Efb (0.5) μM), EDTA (5 mM) or buffer (HEPES⁺⁺; 20 nM HEPES, 5 mM CaCl₂), 2.5 mM MgCl₂, pH 7.4) for 30 min at 37° C. 15 shaking at 1100 rpm. Bacteria were washed twice with PBS-0.1% BSA and boiled in Laemmli sample buffer containing Dithiothreitol. Samples were subjected to SDS-PAGE and subsequently transferred to a nitrocellulose membrane. C3b was detected using a peroxidase-labeled 20 polyclonal anti-human C3 antibody and developed using Enhanced Chemiluminescence. To quantify Efb in bacterial supernatants, His-Efb and supernatants were run together on an SDS-PAGE gel. After transfer, blots were developed using a polyclonal sheep anti-Efb antibody, peroxidase- 25 labeled donkey anti-sheep antibodies (Fluka Analytical) and ECL.

Flow cytometry assays with S. aureus—S. aureus strain Wood46 (3×10⁸/ml) was pre-incubated with human serum for 30 min at 37° C. in VBS++ buffer, washed with VBS++- 30 0.5% BSA and incubated with Efb (0.5 μM) or 2-fold diluted culture supernatants for 1 hour at 37° C. shaking. After another washing step, bacteria were incubated with ALEXA FLUORTM 488 conjugated Fg (60 μg/ml, Invitrogen) for 1 hour at 37° C. shaking. Washed bacteria were analyzed by flow cytometry using a FACSCalibur (BD). Bacteria were gated on the basis of forward and side scatter properties and fluorescence of 10,000 bacteria was analyzed. Alternatively, pre-opsonized bacteria were incubated with Efb (0.5 µM) and/or unlabeled Fg (200 µg/ml) for 1 hour at 37° C. 40 shaking. Washed bacteria were incubated with soluble rCR1 (10 µg/ml), FITC-labeled F(ab'), anti-human C3 antibody or anti-human IgG antibody for 30 min at 37° C. CR1 was detected using PE-labeled anti-CD35 antibodies; the IgG antibody was detected using goat-anti-mouse PE antibodies. 45 Capsule expression on strain Reynolds was analyzed by incubating bacteria with polyclonal anti-CP5 rabbit serum and Phycoerythrin (PE)-conjugated goat anti-rabbit anti-

Confocal microscopy—Samples were transferred to glass 50 slides and air-dried. Membrane dye FM 5-95 was added and slides were covered with a coverslip. Confocal images were obtained using a Leica TCS SP5 inverted microscope equipped with a HCX PL APO 406/0.85 objective.

Transmission Electron Microscopy—S. aureus strain 55 Wood 46 (3×10⁸) was incubated with human plasma (10%) in the presence or absence of Efb (0.5 μ M) in HEPES' for 30 minutes at 37° C., washed once with PBS-1% BSA and adsorbed to 100 mesh hexagonal Formvar-carbon coated copper grids. Samples were contrasted with 0.4% uranyl 60 acetate (pH 4.0) and 1.8% methylcellulose and analysed in a JEOL 1010 transmission electron microscope at 80 kV.

Recombinant proteins—The recombinant P163 protein was based upon the Scl2.28 sequence from *S. pyogenes* with the DNA codon optimized for *E. coli* expression. A hexahistidine tag was introduced at the N-terminus for use in purification. The GFPGER-containing SEQ ID NO:230

variant described in Cosgriff-Hernandez, et al. and referred to as DC2 was utilized in these studies. The fibrinogenbinding DC2 variant (DC2-Fg) was generated using overlap extension polymerase chain reaction (PCR) with primers from Integrated DNA Technologies. The Fg binding motif Efb-O was inserted after position 301 Gln in DC2 shown in FIG. 16A. FIG. 16A is a Schematic representation of DC2-Fg with fibrinogen (Fg) binding motif Efb-O. The inserted Efb-O amino acid sequence is SEQ ID NO:1 KYLKFKH-10 DYN ILEFNDGTFE YGARPQFNKP A. The insertion was verified by sequencing (GENEWIZ, South Plainfield, N.J.). Recombinant proteins were expressed in E. coli BL21 (Novagen). Purification was carried out by affinity chromatography on a StrepTrap HP column and subsequent dialysis against 20 mM acetic acid (regenerated cellulose, MWCO=12-14 kDa). Protein purity was assessed by sodium dodecyl sulfate polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis (SDS-PAGE) followed by COOMASSIE® Blue staining. Protein concentrations were measured using the DC protein assay. Circular dichroism (CD) was utilized to confirm triple helix retention with the insertion as previously described.

Integrin interactions with DC2-Fg—A11 cell culture supplies were purchased from Life Technologies and used as received unless otherwise noted. To assess retention of integrin binding in DC2-Fg, adhesion of (i) C2C12 cells, which do not natively express integrin $\alpha 1$ or $\alpha 2$ subunits, (ii) C2C12 cells modified to stably express human integrin α1 subunits (C2C12-\alpha1), and (iii) C2C12 cells modified to stably express human integrin α2 subunits (C2C12-α2) was measured. Mouse myoblast C2C12, C2C12-α1, and C2C12α2 cells were cultured in Dulbecco's modified Eagle's medium (DMEM) with 10 vol % fetal bovine serum (FBS) and 1 vol % penicillin-streptomycin, 1 mg ml⁻¹ geneticin, or 10 μg ml⁻¹ puromycin, respectively. To assess C2C12 cell adhesion, 48 well tissue culture polystyrene (TCPS) plates were coated with 10 µg of DC1 (negative control-no integrin binding sites), DC2, DC2-Fg, or collagen type I (positive control) overnight at 4° C. Proteins were coated in triplicate for each cell type. Wells were blocked with 4 wt % bovine serum albumin (BSA) in PBS for 1 hour at room temperature and rinsed with sterile PBS. Cells were adapted to serum-free media (DMEM with 1 mM CaCl₂, 1 mM MgCl₂, and appropriate antibiotic) for 12 hours prior to trypsinization and seeding at 5,000 cells cm⁻¹. After 1 hour, cells were washed three times with warm PBS and lysed with 1% TRITONTM-X 100 for 30 minutes at 37° C. Lysates from samples and from known standards were transferred to a 96 well plate, and cell numbers were measured with the CYTOTOX 96® NON-RADIOACTIVE CYTOTOXICITY ASSAY. Briefly, 50 µl of samples were incubated with 50 µl of substrate solution for 30 min at room temperature. Then, 50 µl of stop solution was added to each well, and the absorbance was read at 490 nm. Cell numbers were quantified using standards of known cell numbers for each cell line.

Solid phase binding assay-: Microtiter wells were coated with 1 μg of DC2, DC2-Fg, or Efb overnight at 4° C. to assess fibrinogen adhesion to DC proteins. Coated wells were blocked with 4 wt % BSA in PBS for 1 hour at room temperature. Fibrinogen was added to each protein-coated well in a serial dilution from 100 to 0 μg/well (0.3 to 0 μM). After 1 hour of incubation at room temperature, a sheep anti-fibrinogen antibody was applied to the wells (1:1000 dilution) for 1 hour at room temperature. An HRP-labelled secondary antibody to sheep was applied to the wells for 1 hour at room temperature, and SIGMAFASTTM OPD was utilized to detect bound fibrinogen via an absorbance read-

ing at 450 nm on a THERMOMAXTM plate reader. Studies were performed in triplicate, and plates were washed three times between each step with 200 μ l of PBS with 0.1 vol % TWFFN® 20

FIG. 16B is an image of a circular dichroism (CD) spectra 5 of DC2 and DC2-Fg. Peak at 220 nm is indicative of triple helix. DC2-Fg was successfully expressed and purified. The CD spectrum of DC2-Fg indicates that the protein retains the triple helical conformation of DC2 with the insertion, as demonstrated by the positive peak at -220 nm. FIG. 16C is 10 plot of the integrin α1 and α2 subunit expressing C2C12 cell adhesion to DC1 (no integrin binding site), DC2 (binding site for integrins $\alpha 1$ and $\alpha 2$), DC2-FN (DC2 with fibrinogen binding site), and collagen (multiple binding sites for integrins $\alpha 1$ and $\alpha 2$). Retention of integrin binding with the Fg-binding insertion was assessed using C2C12 cells that express integrin all or all subunits. DC2 demonstrated an increase in C2C12-α1 and C2C12-α2 adhesion relative to DC1 (non-integrin binding negative control), as expected. The insertion of the Fg-binding motif, Efb-O, did not 20 interfere with integrin binding, as demonstrated by C2C12α1 and C2C12-α2 adhesion. In fact, DC2-Fg had significantly increased C2C12-\alpha1 and C2C12-\alpha2 adhesion relative to DC2 (p<0.05). This could be due to cell production of fibrinogen and subsequent binding to the Fg-binding 25 motif in addition to interacting with the integrin-binding site in DC2-Fg. FIG. 16D is a graph showing fibrinogen binding to DC2, DC2-Fg, and Efb, as determined by solid phase binding assay. Fibrinogen interactions with DC2 and DC2-Fg were assessed using a solid phase binding assay. DC2 30 exhibited minimal to no fibrinogen binding, with no saturation in binding within the tested range of concentrations. Insertion of the Fg-binding motif, Efb-O, provided a large increase in fibrinogen binding, with an apparent K_D of ~10 nM. This binding affinity approached that of Fg to Efb-O, 35 with an apparent K_D of ~ 1 nM. These results indicate that the Efb-based fibrinogen binding site, Efb-O, was successfully inserted into DC2 to provide a triple helical protein with controlled integrin binding and fibrinogen interactions. Statistical analyses were performed using GRAPHPAD 40 PRISM® 4.0 package and the differences between groups were analyzed for significance using the two-tailed Student's t-test.

FIG. 17 shows the binding of Coa and Efb fragments by FBE5 antibodies. The 11 monoclonal antibodies selected 45 against Coa-C $_{311-636}$ were tested on different portions of the C-terminal part of Coagulase, namely $\text{Coa-F}_{311-505}$, Coa-R0 $_{474-505}$ and Coa-R $_{506-636}$, and different fragments of Efb, namely Efb-N $_{30-105}$, Efb-A $_{30-67}$ and Efb-O $_{68-98}$. These proteins were immobilized (200 ng/well) and probed with the 50 indicated antibodies at a fixed concentration (0.5 µg/ml) in a solid-phase binding assay. Binding was clearly observed for all of them and it is noticeable that the antibodies displayed variable apparent affinities to the different Efb and Coa fragments. None of the FBE5 antibodies bound to 55 Coa-R $_{506-636}$.

Antibody generation and scFv-Fc production—Antibodies against Coa were selected in scFv-format from the human naïve antibody gene libraries HAL9 and HAL10 (Kügler et al., 2015). The selection and screening was 60 performed as described before (Russo et al., 2018a). In brief, for antibody selection, scFv phage from HAL9 and HAL10 were mixed and incubated on Coa immobilized in Costar High Binding microtiter plates (SIGMA-ALDRICH® Chemie GmbH, Munich, Germany). Panning was performed at 65 room temperature. After three rounds of panning, monoclonal soluble scFv were produced and screened for Coa

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binding by antigen-ELISA. DNA of binding candidates was isolated and sequenced. The unique scFv sequences were recloned into pCSE2.6-hIgG1-Fc-XP (Russo et al., 2018b) using NcoI/NotI (NEB) for mammalian production as scFv-Fc, an IgG-like antibody format. The production in HEK293-6E cells and subsequent protein A purification was performed as described before (Jager et al., 2013).

FIG. **18** shows the dose-dependent binding of Coa fragments by FBE5 antibodies. The 11 monoclonal antibodies selected against Coa-C₃₁₁₋₆₃₆ were titrated on different portions of the C-terminal part of Coagulase, namely Coa-C₃₁₁₋₆₃₆, Coa-F₃₁₁₋₅₀₅, and Coa-R0₄₇₄₋₅₀₅. Recombinant proteins Coa-C₃₁₁₋₆₃₆, Coa-F₃₁₁₋₅₀₅, and Coa-R0₄₇₄₋₅₀₅ were immobilized (200 ng/well) and probed with the selected antibodies in a solid-phase binding assay. Dose dependent binding was clearly observed for all of them and it is noticeable that the antibodies display variable apparent affinities to the different proteins. An irrelevant isotypematched antibody (isotype control) was tested. As shown, no binding was detectable for this latter antibody.

FIG. 19 is a table that shows the apparent K_d of anti-CoaC mAbs to Coa fragments determined through EC_{50} calculation in ELISA. Apparent affinity values were generated through analysis of the half maximum binding in ELISA, using GRAPHPAD PRISM® Version 6.01. In most cases, values in the range of 10^{-9} - 10^{-10} M were obtained for most antibodies against all three Coa fragments tested (Coa- $C_{311-636}$, Coa- $F_{311-505}$. Coa- $R0_{474-505}$). FBE5-F11 resulted to show the highest affinity to all the three proteins tested and FBE5-C8, conversely was the weakest binder of the three fragments of Coa tested.

FIG. **20** shows the dose-dependent binding of Efb fragments by FBE5 antibodies. The 11 monoclonal antibodies selected against Coa-C₃₁₁₋₆₃₆ were titrated on different portions of the N-terminal part of Efb protein, that has sequence and functional homology to Coagulase. Immobilized (200 ng/well) and probed for recognition in a solid-phase binding assay are Efb-N₃₀₋₁₀₅, Efb-A₃₀₋₆₇ and Efb-O₆₈₋₉₈. These proteins were probed with different quantities of the selected antibodies. Dose dependent binding is observed for all of them and it is noticeable that the antibodies display variable apparent affinities to the different proteins. An irrelevant isotype-matched antibody (isotype control) was tested. As shown, no binding was detectable for this latter antibody.

FIG. 21 is a table with the apparent K_d of anti-CoaC mAbs to Efb fragments determined through EC₅₀ calculation in ELISA. Apparent affinity values were generated through analysis of the half maximum binding in ELISA, using GRAPHPAD PRISM® Version 6.01. In most cases, values in the range of 10^{-8} - 10^{-9} M were obtained for most antibodies against all three Efb fragments tested (namely Efb-N₃₀₋₁₀₅, Efb-A₃₀₋₆₇ and Efb-O₆₈₋₉₈). FBE5-F11 was the only exception, since it displayed apparent affinities in the range of 10^{-10} M against all three Efb fragments. Weak binders, FBE5-C1, FBE5-C8, FBE5-E5, showed very modest binding and in some cases an estimation of apparent affinities was not possible (ND, not determinable).

FIG. 22 shows the FBE5 mAbs that efficiently inhibit binding to Fg of Coa and Efb in a dose-dependent manner. To assess the inhibitory activity of anti-Coa scFv-Fc antibodies, 0.5 μg/well of human Fg was immobilized at 4° C. overnight in 50 mM Carbonate Buffer, pH 9.6. Indicated amounts (0, 0.5, 5, and 50 μg/ml) of scFv-Fcs were preincubated for 1 hour with a constant concentration of Coa or Efb fragments. Specifically, Coa-F, Coa-R0, Efb-N and Efb-O were at a fixed concentration of 10 nM; whereas Efb-A was at 750 nM. Fg-binding activity of each protein

BSA and an irrelevant isotype-matched antibody (isotype control) did not show non-specific binding to the immobilized proteins.

FIG. 25 shows that LIG40-A11 mAb inhibits binding to

alone was also checked (no mAb control—0 ug/ml). The Fg-coated plate was blocked with 2% BSA-PBST and washed with PBST. The pre-incubated mixture of Coa/Efb and anti-Coa scFv-Fc was transferred on the Fg-coated plate. Residual bound Coa and Efb fragments were detected with HRP-conjugated (HorseRadish Peroxidase-conjugated) α-GST-tag antibody, except for Efb-N, where an HRPconjugated α-HIS-tag was used. Binding of Coa and Efb fragments to Fg (no mAb control) was set to 100% and residual binding to Fg of Coa and Efb fragments in the presence of different concentrations of antibodies was calculated and represented. FBE5-A12, FBE5-D10, FBE5-F9 and FBE5-F11 did show a dose dependent inhibition of all proteins tested. In particular FBE5-F11 showed a marked inhibition against all fragments of Coa and Efb. FBE5-A12, FBE5-D10 and FBE5-F9 showed a clear inhibition of CoaF, CoaRO and EfbA, being less efficient in inhibiting EfbN and

Fg of $\mathrm{Coa-C_{311-636}}$ and $\mathrm{Coa-R_{506-636}}$ in a dose-dependent manner. To assess the inhibitory activity of anti-CoaR scFv-Fc antibody, 0.5 μg/well of human Fg was immobilized at 4° C. overnight in 50 mM Carbonate Buffer, pH 9.6. Indicated amounts of scFv-Fc were pre-incubated for 1 hour with a constant concentration of CoaC or CoaR (10 nM). Fgbinding activity of each protein at 10 nM in the absence of antibody was also checked, and referred as CTRL+(CoaC) and CTRL+(CoaR) in the figure (no mAb control-CTRL+). The Fg-coated plate was blocked with 2% BSA-PBST and washed with PBST. The pre-incubated mixture of CoaC/CoaR and anti-Coa scFv-Fc was transferred on the Fg-coated plate. Residual bound CoaC and CoaR was detected with an HRP-conjugated α-GST-tag antibody. Binding of 10 mM CoaC and CoaR to Fg in the absence of antibody, referred as CTRL+(CoaC) and CTRL+(CoaR) in the figure (no mAb control—CTRL+) was set to 100% and residual binding to Fg of CoaC and CoaR in the presence of different concentrations of antibodies was calculated and represented. LIG40-A11 showed a dose-dependent inhibition of CoaC and CoaR, being more potent against CoaR.

FIG. 23 shows that Peptide CoaRO, but not peptide CoaRI, inhibits FBE 5 mAbs binding to CoaC. To investigate if FBE5 mAbs could be inhibited by CoaRO and CoaRI peptides, CoaC (200 ng/well) was immobilized at 4° C. overnight in 50 mM Carbonate Buffer, pH 9.6. A fixed concentration of mAbs (0.5 $\mu g/ml$) was added to the wells along with indicated amounts of CoaRO and CoaRI peptides. Incubation for 1 hour at room temperature and 250 rpm shaking followed. After washing, towels were incubated with a polyclonal α -human IgG HRP-conjugated Ab. An irrelevant, isotype-matched scFv-Fc served as a control (FBE3-X). All FBE5 antibodies were inhibited by peptide CoaRO in a fashion dependent of the peptide concentration. Instead, peptide CoaRI was unable to affect FBE5 mAbs binding to CoaC.

FIG. 26 shows that peptides CoaRO and CoaRI differentially inhibit LIG40 mAbs binding to CoaC and CoaR. To investigate if LIG40 mAbs could be inhibited by CoaRO and CoaRI peptides, CoaC and CoaR (200 ng/well) was immobilized at 4° C. overnight in 50 mM Carbonate Buffer, pH 9.6. A fixed concentration of mAbs (0.5 µg/ml) was added to the wells along with, indicated amounts of CoaRO and CoaRI peptides. Incubation for 1 hour, room temperature, 250 rpm shaking followed. After washing, towels were incubated with polyclonal α-human IgG HRP-conjugated Ab. Surprisingly, LIG40-A11 and LIG40-D8 behaved differently in the presence of the two peptides. First, to achieve appreciable inhibition high concentration of peptides needed to be used (above 100 μM). Secondly and most importantly, LIG40-A11 was inhibited only by CoaRI peptide, both when mAb binding was tested against CoaC and CoaR. In symmetrical opposite way, LIG40-D8 was only impaired in its binding activity by CoaRO peptide, suggesting that the differential role of the two repeats.

FIG. 24 shows the dose-dependent binding of Coa and Efb fragments by LIG40 antibodies. The 2 monoclonal antibodies (LIG40-A11 and LIG40-D8) selected against Coa-R₅₀₆₋₆₃₆ were titrated on different portions of the N-terminal part of Efb protein (Efb-N₃₀₋₁₀₅, Efb-A₃₀₋₆₇ and Efb-O₆₈₋₉₈), that, as reported in the parent patent, has sequence and functional homology to Coagulase. As well, binding was tested against Coa fragments, namely Coa- $C_{311-636}$, Coa- $F_{311-505}$. Coa- $R0_{474-505}$ and Coa- $R_{505-636}$. Recombinant proteins Efb- N_{30-105} , Efb- A_{30-67} , Efb- O_{68-98} , ${\rm Coa\text{-}C_{311\text{-}636}.\ Coa\text{-}F_{311\text{-}505}.\ Coa\text{-}R0_{474\text{-}505}}\ and\ {\rm Coa\text{-}R_{506\text{-}636}}$ were immobilized (200 ng/well) in a 96 well plate and probed for recognition in a solid-phase binding assay with different quantities of LIG40 antibodies. Dose dependent binding was observed for all of them. These 2 antibodies bound only Coa fragments. LIG40-A11 recognized specifically $\text{Coa-R}_{506\text{-}636}$ and, reasonably, $\text{Coa-C}_{311\text{-}636}$. even though the latter with lower apparent affinity. No binding to all other proteins has been detectable for LIG40-A11. LIG40-D8 also bound Coa- $R_{506-636}$ and Coa- $C_{311-636}$ but also binding of Coa- $F_{311-505}$ and Coa- $R0_{474-505}$ was detected to a minor extent. Both antibodies did not show binding to

FIG. 27 is a table that shows the apparent K_d of anti-CoaR₅₀₆₋₆₃₆ mAbs to Coa fragments determined through EC₅₀ calculation in ELISA. Apparent affinity values were generated through analysis of the half maximum binding in ELISA, using GRAPHPAD PRISM® Version 6.01. For both antibodies, values in the range of 10^{-10} - 10^{-11} M were obtained. LIG40-A11 showed the highest apparent affinity for CoaR $(7.05\times10^{-11}$ M) whereas LIG40-D8 was the one that showed the highest half-maximum binding to CoaC $(9.39\times10^{-11}$ M). Only LIG40-D8 showed minor binding to CoaRO and CoaF, instead for LIG40-A11 there was no detectable binding (apparent affinity not determinable, ND).

	FBE5 antibodies, raised aqa	inst COA-C	H_636), shown in scFv-Fc format	
Antibody name	VH amino acid sequence	SEQ ID NO	VL amino acid sequence	SEQ ID NO
FBE5-A5	EVQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SSYGMHWVRQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNSLR AEDTAVYYC AKAGPDSYGYGKOV WGQGTT VTVSS	VH: 71 CDR1: 131 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 139	QSVLTQPPSASGTPGQRVTISCSGS SN IGSNTVNWYQQLPGTAPKLLIY <u>SNN</u> QRPS GVPDRFSGSKSGTSASLAISGLQSEDEAD YYC AANDDSLNGVV FGGGTKLTVL	VL: 101 CDR1: 166 CDR2: 185 CDR3: 202

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Antibody				
name	VH amino acid sequence	SEQ ID NO	VL amino acid sequence	SEQ ID N
FBE5-A6	QVQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SSYGMHWVRQAPGKGLEWVAVISYDGSNK YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNSLR AEDTAVYYC AKAGDDDYGHYFDY WGQGTL VTVSS	VH: 72 CDR1: 131 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 140	QAGLTQPPSASGTPGQGVTISCSG SSSNI GSNTVNWYQQLPGTAPKLLIY <u>SNN</u> QRPSG VPDRFSGSKSGTSASLAISGLQSEDEADY YC AAWDDSLNGVV FGGGTKLTVL	VL: 102 CDR1: 166 CDR2: 185 CDR3: 202
FBE5-A12	QVQLVESGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SSYGMHWVRQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNSLR GEDTAVYYC ARECCHEPNGLDY WGQGTLV TVSS	VH: 73 CDR1: 131 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 141	QAVLTQPPSASGTPGQRVTISCSGS DFNV GTNY VNWYQQLPGGSAPKLLIY <u>RNNQ</u> RPS GVPDRFSGSKSGTSATLGITGLQTGDEAD YYC GTWDSSLSAE FGGGTKLTVL	VL: 103 CDR1: 167 CDR2: 186 CDR3: 203
FBE5-B9	EVQLVESRGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SSYGMHWVRQAPGRGLEWVAVISYDGSMK YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNGLR SDDTAVYYC ARGGDDYGDYFDY WGQGTLV TVSS	VH: 74 CDR1: 131 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 142	QSVLTQPPSVSAAPGQKVTISCSGS SSNI GNNYVSWYQQLPGTAPKLLIYDNNKRPSG IPDRFSGSKSGTSATLGITGLQTGDEADY YC GTWDSSLSAAV FGGGTKLTVL	VL: 104 CDR1: 168 CDR2: 187 CDR3: 204
FBE5-C1	EVQLVETRGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SSYGMHWVRQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNSLR AEDTAVYYC AREGTYYYDSSGYYEGGFDY WGQGTLVTVSS	VH: 75 CDR1: 131 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 143	QSVLTQPPSASGTPGQRVTISCSGS SSNI GSGPVNWYQQLPGTAPKLLIY <u>SDT</u> RRPSG IPDRLSGSKSGTSASLGISGLQSEDEADY YC AAWDDSLNGYA FGSGTKVTVL	VL: 105 CDR1: 169 CDR2: 188 CDR3: 209
FBE5-C8	QMQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFIF SNYGMHWVRQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMDSLR AEDTAVYYC AREGVGGDYGDLPTGPYYYGMDV WGQGTTVTVSS	VH: 76 CDR1: 132 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 144	QSVLTQPPSVSAAPGQKVTISCSGS SSNI GNNSVSWYQQLPGTAPKLLIY <u>DNN</u> KRPSG IPDRFSGSKSGTSATLGITGLQTGDEADY YC ETWDSSLSAVV FGGGTKLTVL	VL: 106 CDR1: CDR2: CDR3:
FBE5-D9	QVQLVESGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SSYGMHWVRQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNSLR AEDTAVYYC KNQENLVPGY WGQGTLVTV SS	VH: 77 CDR1: 131 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 145	QSALTQPASVSGSPGQSITISCTGT SSDV GGYNYVSWYQQHPGKAPKLMIY <u>DVS</u> NRPS GVSNRFSGSKSGNTASLTISGLQAEDEAD YYC SSYTSSSTLV FGGGTKLTVL	VL: 107 CDR1: 171 CDR2: 189 CDR3: 207
FBE5-D10	QVQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SNYG MHWVRQAPGKGLEWVAV ISYDGSNK YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNSLR AEDTAVYYC AKDSREQWLAE WGQGTLVTV SS	VH: 78 CDR1: 133 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 146	QSVLTQPPSASGTPGQRVTISCSAS SSNI GSNT VNWYQQLPGTAPKLLIY <u>SNN</u> QRPSG VPDRFSGSRSGTSASLAISGLQSEDEADY YC AAWDDSLNALV FGGGTKLTVL	VL: 108 CDR1: 166 CDR2: 185 CDR3: 208
FBE5-E5	QMQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SSYGMHWVRQAPGKGLEWVAVISYDGSNK YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNSLR GEDTAVYYC AREGGWEPNGLDY WGQGTLV TVSS	VH: 79 CDR1: 131 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 141	QSVLTQPPSVSAAPGQKVTISCSGS SSNI GNNTVSWYQQLPGTAPKLLIY <u>DNN</u> KRPSG IPDRFSGSKSGTSATLGITGLQTGDEADY YC GTWDSSLSAEV FGGGTKLTVL	VL: 109 CDR1: 168 CDR2: 187 CDR3: 203
FBE5-F9	QMQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SSYGMHWVRQAPGKGLEWVAVISYDGSNK YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNSLR AEDTAVYYC AREGDGDYGGVLDY WGQGTL VTVSS	VH: 80 CDR1: 131 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 147	QSVLTQPPSVSAAPGQKVTISCSGS SSNI EKNY VSWYQQLPGTAPKLLIY <u>DNN</u> KRPSG IPDRFSGSKSGTSATLGITGLQTGDEADY YC CTWDSSLSAVV FGGGTKLTVL	VL: 110 CDR1: 172 CDR2: 187 CDR3: 209
FBE5-F11	QVQLQESGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SSYGMHWVRQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNX</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNSLR AEDTAVYYC AKDLASSGFDY WGQGTLVTV SS	VH: 81 CDR1: 131 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 148	QSVLTQPPSVSAAPGQKVTISCSGS SSNI GNNYVSWYQQLPGTAPKLLIY <u>DNN</u> KRPSG IPDRPSGSKSGTSATLGITGLQTGDEADY YC CTWDSSLSAEV FGGGTKLTVL	VL: 111 CDR1: 168 CDR2: 187 CDR3: 203
FBE5-A7	QVQLVESGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SSYGMHWVRQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNSLR AEDTAVYYC AKGSGYDGGRAFDY WGQGTL VTVSS	VH: 82 CDR1: 131 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 149	QPVLTQSSSASGTPGQRVTISCSGS SSNI GSNTVNWYQQVPGTAPKLLIYGNNQRPSG VPDRPSGSKSGTSASLAISGLQSEDEADY YC AAWDDSLNGVV FGGGTKLTVL	VL: 112 CDR1: 166 CDR2: 190 CDR3: 202
FBE5-A11	QVQLVESGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SSYGMHWVRQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNSLR AEDTAVYYC AKEIEWDGAFDN WGQGTMVT VSS	VH: 83 CDR1: 131 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 150	QTVVTQEPSVSAAPGQKVTISCSGS \mathbf{SSNI} \mathbf{GNNY} VSWYQQLPGTAPKLLIY \mathbf{DNN} RRPSG IPDRFSGSKSGTSATLGITGLQTGDEADY YC $\mathbf{GTWDSSLSAVV}$ FGGGTKLTVL	VL: 113 CDR1: 168 CDR2: 187 CDR3: 209

PBE5 antibodies, raised against COA-C(311-636), shown in scFv-Fc format				
Antibody name	VH amino acid sequence	SEQ ID NO	VL amino acid sequence	SEQ ID NO
FBE5-B2	QVQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SSYGMHWVRQAPGKCLEWVAVISYDGSNK YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNSLR AEDTAVYYC ATTPSRSGTGY WGQGTLVTV SS	VH: 84 CDR1: 131 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 151	QSVLTQPPSASGTPGQRVTISCSGS SSNI GSNTVMWYQQLPGTAPRLV1HGDMRRPSG VSGRFSGSKSGASASLAISGLQSEDEADY YC TVWDSDLNGVV FGGGTRLTVL	VL: 114 CDR1: 166 CDR2: 191 CDR3: 210
FBE5-C5	QVQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SSYGMHWVRQAPGKGLEWVAVISYDGSMK YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNSLR AEDTAVYYC ANFAPCATGAFDI WGQGTMV TVSS	VH: 85 CDR1: 131 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 152	QSVLTQPPSVSAASGQKVTISCSGS SSNI GNNYVSWYQQLPGTAPKLLIY <u>DNN</u> KRPSG IPDRFSGSKSGTSATLGITGLQTGDEADY YC GTWDSSLSAEV FGGGTKLTVL	VL: 115 CDR1: 168 CDR2: 187 CDR3: 203
FBE5-D1	QVQLQESGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SSYGMHWVRQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSMK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNSLR AEDTAVYYC AREGDGGSCMDV WGQGTTVT VSS	VH: 86 CDR1: 131 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 153	QSVLTQPPSVSEAPGQRVTISCTGS SSNI GAGYDVHWYQQLPGTAPKLLIYGMSNRPS GVPDRFSGSKSGTSASLAISGLRSEDEAD YYC AANDDSLSGREV FGGGTKLTVL	VL: 116 CDR1: 173 CDR2: 192 CDR3: 211
FBE5-D4	QMQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SSYGMHWVRQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNSLR AEDTAVYYC AKVCESECAFDI WGQGTMVT VSS	VH: 87 CDR1: 131 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 154	QPVLTQPPSVSVAPRQTARITCGGN NIGR KTVHWYQQKPGQAPVLVVY <u>DDS</u> DRPSGIP ERFSGSNSGNTATLIISGVEAGDEADYYC QVWDSSSDHVIFGGGTKVTVL	VL: 117 CDR1: 174 CDR2: 193 CDR3: 212
FBE5-E3	QVQLVESGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SSYGMHWVRQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNSLR AEDTAVYYC ARVGYGDYGVLADY WGQGTL VTVSS	VH: 88 CDR1: 1131 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 155	QSVLTQPPSVSEAPRQRVTISCSGS SSNI GNNAVNWYQHLPGKAPKLLIE <u>HDD</u> HLPSG VSDRFSGSKSGTSASLAISGLQPEDEADY YC AANDDSVKGVI FGGGTKLTVL	VL: 118 CDR1: 175 CDR2: 194 CDR3: 213
FBE5-E9	EVQLVESGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SSYGMHWVRQAPGKGLEWVAVISYDGSMK YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNSLR AEDTAVYYC AATGYGDEGFFDY WGQGTLV TVSS	VH: 89 CDR1: 131 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 156	SYVLTQPPSASGTPGQRVTISCSGSISNI GSNTVNWYQQLPGTAPKLLIY <u>SNNQ</u> RPSG GVPDRFSGSRSGTSASLAISGLQSEDEAD YYC ATWDGSLNGVV FGGGTKLTVL	VL: 119 CDR1: 176 CDR2: 185 CDR3: 214
FBE5-F2	QVQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SSYGMHWVRQAPGKGLEWVAVISYDGSMK YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNSLR AEDTAVYYC ARDGGDGMDV WGQGTTVTVS S	VH: 90 CDR1: 131 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 157	WSVLTQPPSVSAAPGQKVTISCSGS SSNI GNNYVSWYQQLPGTAPKLLIY <u>DNN</u> KRPSG IPDRFSGSKSGTSATLGITGLQTGDEADY YCGTNDSSLSAVVFGGGTKLTVL	VL: 120 CDR1: 168 CDR2: 187 CDR3: 209
FBE5-F8	QVQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SSYG MHWVRQAPGKGLEWVAV ISYDGSMK YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNSLR AEDTAVYYC ATSGDSSSPFDY WGQGTLVT VSS	VH: 91 CDR1: 131 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 158	QSVLTQPPSVSAAPGQKVTISCSGS SSNI GNNYVSWYQQLPGTAPKLLIY <u>DNN</u> KRPSG IPDRFSGSKSGTSATLGIPGLQTGDEADY YC GTNDSSLSAVV FGGGTKLTVL	VL: 121 CDR1: 168 CDR2: 187 CDR3: 209
FBE5-G1	QVQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SNYGMHWVRQAPGKGLEWVVVI <u>SYDESNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNSLR AEDTAVYYC AKDRSCEGDAFDI WGQGTMV AVSL	VH: 92 CDR1: 133 CDR2: 136 CDR3: 159	QSVLTQPPSLSAAPGQKVTISCSGT SSNI GCNYVSWYQQLPGEAPKKLIY <u>DNN</u> KRPSG IPDRFSGSKSGTSATLGITGLHTGDEADY YC GTWDSGLSAGV FGGGTKLTV	VL: 122 CDR1: 177 CDR2: 187 CDR3: 215
FBE-G5	QVQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SSTGMHWVRQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNSLR AEDTAVYYC AREGDGYLDY WGQGTLVTVS S	VH: 93 CDR1: 131 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 160	QSVLTQPPSVSAAPGQKVTISCSGS SSNI GNNYVSWYQQLPGTAPKLLIY <u>ENN</u> KRPSG IPDRFSGSKSGTSATLGITGLQTGDEADY YC GTVDSSLSAVV FGGGTKLTVL	VL: 123 CDR1: 168 CDR2: 195 CDR3: 209
FBE5-G7	EVQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFIF SNYGMHWVRQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNSLR AEDTAVYYC AREGVGGDYGDLPTGPYYYYCMDV WGQGTTVTVSS	VH: 94 CDR1: 132 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 144	QSVLTQPPSVSAAPGQKVTISCSGS SSNI GRNFVSWYQQPPETAPKLLIF <u>DND</u> NRPSG IPDRFSGSKSGTSVTLGITGLQTGDEADY YC ETWDSSLNAVV FGGGTKLTVL	VL: 124 CDR1: 178 CDR2: 196 CDR3: 216
FBE5-H1	QVQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SSYGMHWVRQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNSLR AEDTAVYYC AKVYAGTEC DV WGQGTTVT VSS	VH: 95 CDR1: 131 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 161	QSVLTQPPSASGTPGQRVTISCSGS SSNI GNDPVNWYQQLPGTAPKLLIY <u>SND</u> QPRSG VPDRFSGSKSGTSGSLAISGLQSEDEADY YCEANDASINGRVFGGGTKLTVL	VL: 125 CDR1: 179 CDR2: 197 CDR3: 217

	FBE5 antibodies, raised aga	inst COA-C (3	11-636), shown in scFv-Fc format	
Antibody name	VH amino acid sequence	SEQ ID NO	VL amino acid sequence	SEQ ID N
FBE5-H6	QVQLQESGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SSYGMHWVRQAPGKGLEWVAVISYGDSNK YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNSLR AEDTAVYYC AKGSGYDGGRAFDY WGQGTL VTVSS	VH: 96 CDR1: 131 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 149	WAGLTQPPSASGTPGQRVTISCSGSSSNI GTNYVYWYQQLPGTAPKLLMYGNDQRPSG VPDRFSGSKSGTSVSLAISGLRSEDEADY YC SANDDSLSGVV FGGGTKLTVL	VL: 126 CDR1: 180 CDR2: 198 CDR3: 218
FBE5-H7	QVLQVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SSYGMHWVRQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNSLR AEDTAVYYC ARNSAGDAFDY WGQGTLVTV SS	VH: 97 CDR1: 131 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 162	QSVLTQPPSVSVAPGKTASVTCGGD NIGS QSVHWYQQKPGQAPVLVVY <u>DDS</u> DRPSGIP ERFSGSNSGNTATLTISRVEAGDEADYYC QVWDSRSDHVVFGGGTKLTVL	VL: 127 CDR1: 181 CDR2: 193 CDR3: 219
FBE5-H8	QVQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SSYGMHWVRQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNTLYLQMNSLR AEDTAVYYC AKSHPYHDAFDNN WGQGTMVT VSS	VH: 98 CDR1: 131 CDR2: 135 CDR3: 163	LPVLTQPPSASGTPGQRVTISCSGSSNI GSDTVDWYQQLPGTAPKIIIYSDYRRASG GPDRFSGSKSGTSASLAISGLQSEDEADY YC ATWDASLNGYV FGTGTKVTVL	VL: 128 CDR1: 182 CDR2: 199 CDR3: 220
LIG40-A11	QVQLVESGGVVVQPGGSLRLSCAAS GFTF DDYAMHWVRQAPGKGLEWVSL <u>ISWDGGST</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKNSLYLQMNSLR AEDTALYYC VAARRGNDV WGQGTTVTVSS	VH: 99 CDR1: 134 CDR2: 137 CDR3: 134	KIVLTQSPLSLPVTPGEPASISCRSS QSL LYSNGNNY LDWYLQKPGQSPQLLIY LGS N RAPGVPDRFSGSGSGTDFTLRISRVEAED VGVYYC NQGRQPPFT FGPGTKVDIK	VL: 129 CDR1: 183 CDR2: 200 CDR3: 221
LIG40-D8	EVQLVESGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAAS GFTF SSYGMHWVRQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>IWYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRPTISRDNSKNTLVLQMNSLR AEDTAVYYC ARDYHGDGFDY WGQGTLVT VSS	VH: 100 CDR1: 131 CDR2: 138 CDR3: 165	DIQMTQSPSSLSASVGDTVTITCRAS QDI NNYLAWFQQKPGKAPKSLIS <u>AAS</u> LQNGVP LRFSGSASGADFTLTISGLQPEDSGTYYC QQYDVFPITFGPGTKVDIK	VL: 130 CDR1: 184 CDR2: 201 CDR3: 222

CDR1 is Bold; CDR2 is bold and uderlined; CDR3 is bold italicized

This table includes the sequences broken out for sake of clarity:

Sequence No.	VH amino acid sequence	Antibody	nameOther Ref:
SEQ ID NO: 71	EVQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSSYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCA <i>KAGPDSYGYGMDV</i> W GQGTTVTVSS	FBE5-A5	VH: 71
SEQ ID NO: 72	QVQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSSYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCA <i>KAGDDDYGHYFDY</i> W GQGTLVTVSS	FBE5-A6	VH: 72
SEQ ID NO: 73	QVQLVESGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSSYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMNSLRGEDTAVYYCA <i>REGGWEPNGLDY</i> WG QGTLVTVSS	FBE5-Al2	VH: 73
SEQ ID NO: 74	EVQLVESRGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSSYGMHWV RQAPGRGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMNGLRSDDTAVYYCA <i>RGGDDYGDYFDY</i> WG QGTLVTVSS	FBE5-B9	VH: 74
SEQ ID NO: 75	EVQLVETRGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSSYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCA <i>REGTYYYDSSGYYE</i> GGFDYWGQGTLVTVSS	FBE5-C1	VH: 75
SEQ ID NO: 76	QMQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFIFSNYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVAVISYDGSNKYYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMDSLRAEDTAVYYCA $REGVGGDYGDLPTG$ $PYYYYGMDVWGQGTTVTVSS$	FBE5-C8	VH: 76
SEQ ID NO: 77	QVQLVESGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSSYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCA <i>KNQEWLVPGY</i> WGQG TLVTVSS	FBE5-D9	VH: 77

Sequence No.	VH amino acid sequence	Antibody	nameOther Ref:
SEQ ID NO: 78	QVQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSNYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCA <i>KDSREQWLAH</i> WGQG TLVTVSS	FBE5-D10	VH: 78
SEQ ID NO: 79	QMQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSSYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMNSLRGEDTAVYYCA <i>REGGWEPNGLDY</i> WG QGTLVTVSS	FBE5-E5	VH: 79
SEQ ID NO: 80	QMQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSSYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCA <i>KEGDGDYGGVLDY</i> W GQGTLVTVSS	FBE5-F9	VH: 80
SEQ ID NO: 81	QVQLQESGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSSYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCA <i>KDLASSGFDY</i> WGQG TLVTVSS	FBE5-F11	VH: 81
SEQ ID NO: 82	QVQLVESGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSSYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCA <i>KGSGYDGGRAFDY</i> W GQGTLVTVSS	FBE5-A7	VH: 82
SEQ ID NO: 83	QVQLVESGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSSYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCA <i>KEIEWDGAFDIW</i> GQ GTMVTVSS	FBE5-A11	VH: 83
SEQ ID NO: 84	QVQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSSYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCA <i>TEPSRSGTGY</i> WGQG TLVTVSS	FBE5-B2	VH: 84
SEQ ID NO: 85	QVQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSSYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCA <i>KEAPGATGAFDI</i> WG QGTMVTVSS	FBE5-C5	VH: 85
SEQ ID NO: 86	QVQLQESGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSSYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCA <i>KEGDGGSGMDV</i> WGQ GTTVTVSS	FBE5-D1	VH: 86
SEQ ID NO: 87	QMQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSSYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCA <i>KVGESEGAFDIW</i> GQ GTMVTVSS	FBE5-D4	VH: 87
SEQ ID NO: 88	QVQLVESGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSSYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCARVGYGDYGVLADYW GQGTLVTVSS	FBE5-E3	VH: 88
SEQ ID NO: 89	EVQLVESGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSSYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYC <i>AKTGYGDEGEFDY</i> WG QGTLVTVSS	FBE5-E9	VH: 89
SEQ ID NO: 90	QVQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSSYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCA <i>KDGGDGMDV</i> WGQGT TVTVSS	FBE5-F2	VH: 90
SEQ ID NO: 91	QVQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSSYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCA <i>TSGDSSSPFDYW</i> GQ GTLVTVSS	FBE5-F8	VH: 91
SEQ ID NO: 92	QVQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSNYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVVV1SYDESNKYYADSVKGRFT1SRDN SKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCAKDRSGHGDAFDIWG QGTMVAVSL	FBE5-G1	VH: 92

Sequence No.	VH amino acid sequence	Antibody nameOther Ref:
SEQ ID NO: 93	QVQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSSYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCA <i>KEGDGYLDY</i> WGQGT LVTVSS	PBE5-G5 VH: 93
SEQ ID NO: 94	EVQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFIFSNYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCA <i>REGVGGDYGDLPTG</i> PYYYYGMDWGQGTTVTVSS	FBE5-G7 VH: 94
SEQ ID NO: 95	QVQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSSYGMEIW VRQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRD NSKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCA <i>KVYAGEEGMDW</i> G QGTTVTVSS	FBE5-H1 VH: 95
SEQ ID NO: 96	QVQLQESGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSSYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCA <i>KGSGYDGGRAFDY</i> W GQGTLVTVSS	FBE5-H6 VH: 96
SEQ ID NO: 97	QVQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSSYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYY <i>CAKNSAGDAFDY</i> WGQG TLVTVSS	FBE5-H7 VH: 97
SEQ ID NO: 98	QVQLVQSGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSSYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>ISYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCA <i>KSHPYHDAFD</i> IWGQ GTMVTVSS	FBE5-H8 VH: 98
SEQ ID NO: 99	QVQLVESGGVVVQPGGSLRLSCAASGFTFDDYAMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVSL <u>ISWDGGST</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNSLYLQMNSLRAEDTALYYCVAA <i>RRGMDV</i> WGQGTT VTVSS	LIG40-All VH: 99
SEQ ID NO: 100	EVQLVESGGGVVQPGRSLRLSCAASGFTFSSYGMHWV RQAPGKGLEWVAV <u>IWYDGSNK</u> YYADSVKGRFTISRDN SKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCA <i>RDYHGDGFDY</i> WGQG TLVTVSS	LIG40-D8 VH: 100
SEQ ID NO: 101	QSVLTQPPSASGTPGQRVTISCSGSSSNIGSNTVNWY QQLPGTAPKLLIY <u>SNN</u> QRPSGVPDRFSGSKSGTSASL AISGLQSEDEADYYCAA <i>WDDSLNGVV</i> FGGGTKLTVL	FBE5-A5 VL: 101
SEQ ID NO: 102	QAGLTQPPSASGTPGQGVTISCSGSSSNIGSNTVNWY QQLPGTAPKLLIY <u>SNN</u> QRPSGVPDRFSGSKSGTSASL AISGLQSEDEADYYCAA <i>WDDSLNGVV</i> FGGGTKLTVL	FBE5-A6 VL: 102
SEQ ID NO: 103	QAVLTQPPSASGTPGQRVTISCSGSDFNVGTNYVNWY QQLPGSAPKLLIY <u>RNN</u> QRPSGVPDRFSGSKSGTSATL GITGLQTGDEADYYC <i>GTWDSSLSAEV</i> FGGGTKLTVL	FBE5-Al2 VL: 103
SEQ ID NO: 104	QSVLTQPPSVSAAPGQKVTISCSGSSSNIGNNYVSWY QQLPGTAPKLLIY <u>DNN</u> KRPSGIPDRFSGSKSGTSATL GITGLQTGDEADYYC <i>GTWDSSLSAAV</i> FGGGTKLTVL	FBE5-B9 VL: 104
SEQ ID NO: 105	QSVLTQPPSASGTPGQRVTISCSGSSSNIGSGPVNWY QQLPGTAPKLLIY <u>SDT</u> RRPSGIPDRLSGSKSGTSASL GISGLQSEDEADYYC <u>AAWDDSLNGYA</u> FGSGTKVTVL	FBE5-C1 VL: 105
SEQ ID NO: 106	QSVLTQPPSVSAAPGQKVTISCSGSSSNIGNNSVSWY QQLPGTAPKLLIY \underline{DNN} KRPSGIPDRFSGSKSGTSATL GITGLQTGDEADYYC $ETWDSSLSAVV$ FGGGTKLTVL	FBE5-C8 VL: 106
SEQ ID NO: 107	QSALTQPASVSGSPGQSITISCTGTSSDVGGYNYVSW YQQHPGKAPKLMIY <u>DVS</u> NRPSGVSNRFSGSKSGNTAS LTISGLQAEDEADYYC <i>SSYTSSSTLV</i> FGGGTKLTVL	FBE5-D9 VL: 107
SEQ ID NO: 108	QSVLTQPPSASGTPGQRVTISCSASSSNIGSNTVNWY QQLPGTAPKLLIY <u>SNNQ</u> RPSGVPDRFSGSRSGTSASL AISGLQSEDEADYYC <i>AAWDDSLNALV</i> FGGGTKLTVL	FBE5-D10 VL: 108
SEQ ID NO: 109	QSVLTQPPSVSAAPGQKVTISCSGSSSNIGNNYVSWY QQLPGTAPKLLIY <u>DNN</u> KRPSGIPDRFSGSKSGTSATL GITGLQTGDEADYYC <i>GTWDSSLSAEV</i> FGGGTKLTVL	FBE5-E5 VL: 109

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SEQ ID NO: 110	QSVLTQPPSVSAAPGQKVTISCSGSSSNIEKNYVSWY QQLPGTAPKLLIY <u>DNN</u> KRPSGIPDRFSGSKSGTSATL GITGLQTGDEADYYC <i>GTWDSSLSAVV</i> FGGGTKLTVL	FBE5-F9	VL: 110
SEQ ID NO: 111	QSVLTQPPSVSAAPGQKVTISCSGSSSNIGNNYVSWY QQLPGTAPKLLIY <u>DNN</u> KRPSGIPDRFSGSKSGTSATL GITGLQTGDEADYYC <i>GTWDSSLSAEV</i> FGGGTKLTVL	FBE5-F11	VL: 111
SEQ ID NO: 112	QPVLTQSSSASGTPGQRVTISCSGSSSNIGSNTVNWY QQVPGTAPKLLIY <u>GNN</u> QRPSGVPDRFSGSKSGTSASL AISGLQSEDEADYYCAA <i>WDDSLNGVV</i> FGGGTKLTVL	FBE5-A7	VL: 112
SEQ ID NO: 113	$ \begin{array}{l} {\tt QTVVTQEPSVSAAPGQKVTISCSGSSSNIGNNYVSWY}\\ {\tt QQLPGTAPKLLIY\underline{DNN}RRPSGIPDRFSGSKSGTSATL}\\ {\tt GITGLQTGDEADYYCGTWDSSLSAVVFGGGTKLTVL} \end{array}$	FBE5-Al1	VL: 113
SEQ ID NO: 114	QSVLTQPPSASGTPGQRVTISCSGSSSNIGSNTVNWY QQLPGTAPRLVIH $\underline{\mathbf{o}}\underline{\mathbf{n}}$ RRPSGVSGRFSGSKSGASASL AISGLQSEDEADYYCTVWDSDLNGVVFGGGTRLTVL	FBE5-B2	VL: 114
SEQ ID NO: 115	QSVLTQPPSVSAASGQKVTISCSGSSSNIGNNYVSWY QQLPGTAPKLLIY \underline{DNN} KRPSGIPDRFSGSKSGTSATL GITGLQTGDEADYYCGTWDSSLSAEVFGGGTKLTVL	FBE5-C5	VL: 115
SEQ ID NO: 116	QSVLTQPPSVSEAPGQRVTISCTGSSSNIGAGYDVHW YQQLPGTAPKLLIYGNSNRPSGVPDRFSGSKSGTSAS LAISGLRSEDEADYYCAAWDDSLSGREVFGGGTKLTV L	FBE5-D1	VL: 116
SEQ ID NO: 117	QPVLTQPPSVSVAPRQTARITCGGNNIGRKTVHWYQQ KPGQAPVLVVY <u>DDS</u> DRPSGIPERFSGSNSGNTATLII SGVEAGDEADYYC <i>QVWDSSSDHVI</i> FGGGTKVTVL	FBE5-D4	VL: 117
SEQ ID NO: 118	QSVLTQPPSVSEAPRQRVTISCSGSSSNIGNNAVNWY QHLPGKAPKLLIE <u>HDD</u> HLPSGVSDRFSGSKSGTSASL AISGLQPEDEADYYCAAWDDSVKGVIFGGGTKLTVL	FBE5-E3	VL: 118
SEQ ID NO: 119	${\tt SYVLTQPPSASGTPGQRVTISCSGSISNIGSNTVNWY}\\ {\tt QQLPGTAPKLLIYSNNQRPSGVPDRFSGSRSGTSASL}\\ {\tt AISGLQSEDEADYYCATWDGSLNGVVFGGGTKLTVL}\\ {\tt AUSGLQSEDEADYYCATWDGSLNGVVFGGGTKLTVL}\\ {\tt AUSGLQSEDEADYYCATWDGSLNGVVFGGGGTKLTVL}\\ {\tt AUSGLQSEDEADYYCATWDGSLNGVVFGGGGTKLTVL}\\ {\tt AUSGLQSEDEADYYCATWDGSLNGVVFGGGTKLTVL}\\ {\tt AUSGLQSEDEADYYCATWDGSLNGVVFGGGGTKLTVL}\\ {\tt AUSGLQSEDEADYYCATWDGSLNGVVFGGGGTKLTVL}\\ {\tt AUSGLQSEDEADYYCATWDGSLNGVVFGGGTKLTVL}\\ {\tt AUSGLQSEDEADYYCATWDGSLNGVVFGGGGTKLTVL}\\ {\tt AUSGLQSEDEADYYCATWDGSLNGVVFGGGGTKLTVL}\\ {\tt AUSGLQSEDEADYYCATWDGSLNGVVFGGGTKLTVL}\\ {\tt AUSGLQSEDEADYYCATWDGSLNGVVFGGGTKLTVL}\\ {\tt AUSGLQSEDADYYCATWDGSLNGVVFGGGTKLTVL}\\ {\tt AUSGLQSEDADYYCATWDGSLNGVVFGGGTKLTVL}\\ {\tt AUSGLQSEDADYYCATWDGSLNGVVFGGGTKGTTVL}\\ {\tt AUSGLQSEDADYYCATWDGSLNGVVFGGTTTVL}\\ {\tt AUSGLQSEDADYYCATWDGSLNGVVFGGTTTVL}\\ {\tt AUSGLQSEDADYYCATWDGSLNGVVFGTTTVTTVTTVTTVTTVTTVTTVTTVTTVTTVTTVTTVTT$	FBE5-E9	VL: 119
SEQ ID NO: 120	QSVLTQPPSVSAAPGQKVTISCSGSSSNIGNNYVSWY QQLPGTAPKLLIY <u>DNN</u> KRPSGIPDRFSGSKSGTSATL GITGLQTGDEADYYC <i>GTWDSSLSAVV</i> FGGGTKLTVL	FBE5-F2	VL: 120
SEQ ID NO: 121	QSVLTQPPSVSAAPGQKVTISCSGSSSNIGNNYVSWY QQLPGTAPKLLIY \underline{DNN} KRPSGIPDRFSGSKSGTSATL GIPGLQTGDEADYYC $GTWDSSLSAVV$ FGGGTKLTVL	FBE5-F8	VL: 121
SEQ ID NO: 122	QSVLTQPPSLSAAPGQKVTISCSGTSSNIGGNYVSWY QQLPGEAPKLLIY <u>DNN</u> KRPSGIPDRFSGSKSGTSATL GITGLHTGDEADYYC <i>GTWDSGLSAGV</i> FGGGTKLTV	FBE5-G1	VL: 122
SEQ ID NO: 123	QSVLTQPPSVSAAPGQKVTISCSGSSSNIGNNYVSWY QQLPGTAPKLLIYENNKRPSGIPDRFSGSKSGTSATL GITGLQTGDEADYYC $GTWDSSLSAVV$ FGGGTKLTVL	FBE5-G5	VL: 123
SEQ ID NO: 124	QSVLTQPPSVSAAPGQKVTISCSGSSSNIGRNFVSWY QQFPETAPKLLIF \underline{DND} NRPSGIPDRFSGSKSGTSVTL GITGLQTGDEADYYC $ETWDSSLNAVV$ FGGGTKLTVL	FBE5-G7	VL: 124
SEQ ID NO: 125	QSVLTQPPSASGTPGQRVTISCSGSSSNIGNDPVNWY QQLPGTAPKLLIY \underline{SND} QRPSGVPDRFSGSKSGTSGSL AISGLQSEDEADYYCEAWDASLNGRVFGGGTKLTVL	FBE5-H1	VL: 125
SEQ ID NO: 126	QAGLTQPPSASGTPGQRVTISCSGSSSNIGTNYVYWY QQLPGTAPKLLMY <u>GND</u> QRPSGVPDRFSGSKSGTSVSL AISGLRSEDEADYYC $SAWDDSLSGVV$ FGGGTKLTVL	FBE5-H6	VL: 126
SEQ ID NO: 127	QSVLTQPPSVSVAPGKTASVTCGGDNIGSQSVHWYQQ KPGQAPVLVVYDDSDRPSGIPERFSGSNSGNTATLTI SRVEAGDEADYYC $QVWDSRSDHVV$ FGGGTKLTVL	FBE5-H7	VL: 127
SEQ ID NO: 128	LPVLTQPPSASGTPGQRVTISCSGSSSNIGSDTVDWY QQLPGTAPKIIIY <u>SDY</u> RRASGVPDRFSGSKSGTSASL AISGLQSEDEADYYCATWDASLNGYVFGTGTKVTVL	FBE5-H8	VL: 128

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SEQ	ID	NO:	129	KIVLTQSPLSLPVTPGEPASISCRSSQSLLYSNGNNY LDWYLQKPGQSPQLLIY <u>LGS</u> NRAPGVPDRFSGSGSGT DFTLRISRVEAEDVGVYYC <i>MQGRQPPF</i> TFGPGTKVDI K	LIG40-Al1	VL: 129
SEQ	ID	NO:	130	$\begin{array}{l} \texttt{DIQMTQSPSSLSASVGDTVTITCRASQDINNYLAWFQ}\\ \texttt{QKPGKAPKSLIS}\underline{\texttt{AAS}}\texttt{SLQNGVPLRFSGSASGADFTLT}\\ \texttt{ISGLQPEDSGTYYC}\underline{\texttt{QQYDVFFITFGPGTKVDIK}} \end{array}$	LIG40-D8	VL: 130
SEQ	ID	NO:	131	GFTFSSYG	FBE5-A5 FBE5-A6 FBE5-A12 FBE5-B9 FBE5-C1 FBE5-D9 FBE5-E5 FBE5-F9 FBE5-F1 FBE5-A7 FBE5-A1 FBE5-B2 FBE5-C5 FBE5-D1 FBE5-D4 FBE5-D4 FBE5-B2 FBE5-C5 FBE5-D1 FBE5-B2 FBE5-B3 FBE5-B3 FBE5-B3 FBE5-B5 FBE5-F8 FBE5-F8 FBE5-F8 FBE5-F8 FBE5-H1 FBE5-H7 FBE5-H7 FBE5-H8 LIG40-D8	CDR1: 131
SEQ	ID	NO:	132	GFIFSNYG	FBE5-C8 FBE5-G7	CDR1: 132
SEQ	ID	NO:	133	GFTFSNYG	FBE5-D10 FBE5-G1	CDR1: 133
SEQ	ID	NO:	134	GFTFDDYA	LIG40-A 11	CDR1: 134
SEQ	ID	NO:	135	ISYDGSNK	FBE5-A5 FBE5-A6 FBE5-A12 FBE5-B9 FBE5-C1 FBE5-C8 FBE5-D9 FBE5-D10 FBE5-E5 FBE5-F9 FBE5-F1 FBE5-A7 FBE5-A11 FBE5-A7 FBE5-B2 FBE5-C5 FBE5-C5 FBE5-C5 FBE5-C7 FBE5-B4 FBE5-B5 FBE5-B7 FBE	CDR2: 135
SEQ	ID	NO:	136	ISYDESNK	FBE5-G1	CDR2: 136
SEQ	ID	NO:	137	ISWDGGST	LIG40-A11	CDR2: 137
SEQ	ID	NO:	138	IWYDGSNK	LIG40-D8	CDR2: 138

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SEQ	ID N	0: 139	AKAGPDSYGYGMDV	FBE5-A5	CDR3:	139
SEQ	ID N	0: 140	AKAGDDDYGHYFD	FBE5-A6	CDR3:	140
SEQ	ID N	0: 141	AREGGWEPNGLDY	FBE5-A12 FBE5-E5	CDR3:	141
SEQ	ID N	0: 142	ARGGDDYGDYFDY	FBE5-B9	CDR3:	142
SEQ	ID N	0: 143	AREGTYYYDSSGYYEGGFDY	FBE5-C1	CDR3:	143
SEQ	ID N	0: 144	AREGVGGDYGDLPTGPYYYYGMDV	FBE5-C8 FBE5-G7	CDR3:	144
SEQ	ID N	0: 145	AKNQEWLVPGY	FBE5-D9	CDR3:	145
SEQ	ID N	0: 146	AKDSREQWLAH	FBE5-D10	CDR3:	146
SEQ	ID N	0: 147	AKEGDGDYGGVLDY	FBE5-F9	CDR3:	147
SEQ	ID N	0: 148	AKDLASSGFDY	FBE5-F11	CDR3:	148
SEQ	ID N	0: 149	AKGSGYDGGRAFDY	FBE5-A7 FBE5-H6	CDR3:	149
SEQ	ID N	0: 150	AKEIEWDGAFDI	FBE5-A11	CDR3:	150
SEQ	ID N	0: 151	ATEPSRSGTGY	FBE5-B2	CDR3:	151
SEQ	ID N	0: 152	AKEAPGATGAFDI	FBE5-C5	CDR3:	152
SEQ	ID N	0: 153	AKEGDGGSGMDV	FBE5-D1	CDR3:	153
SEQ	ID N	0: 154	AKVGESEGAFDI	FBE5-D4	CDR3:	154
SEQ	ID N	0: 155	ARVGYGDYGVLADY	FBE5-E3	CDR3:	155
SEQ	ID N	0: 156	AKTGYGDEGEFDY	FBE5-E9	CDR3:	156
SEQ	ID N	0: 157	AKDGGDGMDV	FBE5-F2	CDR3:	157
SEQ	ID N	0: 158	ATSGDSSSPFDY	FBE5-F8	CDR3:	158
SEQ	ID N	0: 159	AKDRSGHGDAFDI	FBE5-G1	CDR3:	159
SEQ	ID N	0: 160	AKEGDGYLDY	FBE5-G5	CDR3:	160
SEQ	ID N	0: 161	AKVYAGEEGMDV	FBE5-H1	CDR3:	161
SEQ	ID N	0: 162	AKNSAGDAFDY	FBE5-H7	CDR3:	162
SEQ	ID N	0: 163	AKSHPYHDAFDI	FBE5-H8	CDR3:	163
SEQ	ID N	0: 164	VAARRGMDV	LIG40-A11	CDR3:	164
SEQ	ID N	0: 165	ARDYHGDGFDY	LIG40-D8	CDR3:	165
SEQ	ID N	0: 166	SSNIGSNT	FBE5-A5 FBE5-A6 FBE5-D10 FBE5-A7 FBE5-B2	CDR1:	166
SEQ	ID N	0: 167	DFNVGTNY	FBE5-A12	CDR1:	167
SEQ	ID N	0: 168	SSNIGNNY	FBE5-B9 FBE5-E5 FBE5-F11 FBE5-A11 FBE5-C5 FBE5-F2 FBE5-F8 FBE5-G5	CDR1:	168
SEQ	ID N	0: 169	SSNIGSGP	FBE5-C1	CDR1:	169
SEQ	ID N	0: 170	SSNIGNNS	FBE5-C8	CDR1:	170

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Sequence No.	VH amino acid sequence	Antibody name	Other	Ref:
SEQ ID NO: 171	SSDVGGYNY	FBE5-D9	CDR1:	171
SEQ ID NO: 172	SSNIEKNY	FBE5-F9	CDR1:	172
SEQ ID NO: 173	SSNIGAGYD	FBE5-D1	CDR1:	173
SEQ ID NO: 174	NIGRKT	FBE5-D4	CDR1:	174
SEQ ID NO: 175	SSNIGNNA	FBE5-E3	CDR1:	175
SEQ ID NO: 176	ISNIGSNT	FBE5-E9	CDR1:	176
SEQ ID NO: 177	SSNIGGNY	FBE5-G1	CDR1:	177
SEQ ID NO: 178	SSNIGRNF	FBE5-G7	CDR1:	178
SEQ ID NO: 179	SSNIGNDP	FBE5-H1	CDR1:	179
SEQ ID NO: 180	SSNIGTNY	FBE5-H6	CDR1:	180
SEQ ID NO: 181	NIGSQS	FBE5-H7	CDR1:	181
SEQ ID NO: 182	SSNIGSDT	FBE5-H8	CDR1:	182
SEQ ID NO: 183	QSLLYSNGNNY	LIG40-A11	CDR1:	183
SEQ ID NO: 184	ÖDINNA	LIG40-D8	CDR1:	184
SEQ ID NO: 185	SNN	FBE5-A5 FBE5-A6	CDR2:	185
		FBE5-D10 FBE5-E9		
SEQ ID NO: 186	RNN	FBE5-A12	CDR2:	186
SEQ ID NO: 187	DNN	FBE5-B9	CDR2:	187
		FBE5-C8 FBE5-E5		
		FBE5-F9 FBE5-F11		
		FBE5-A11		
		FBE5-C5 FBE5-F2		
		FBE5-F8 FBE5-G1		
SEQ ID NO: 188	SDT	FBE5-C1	CDR2:	188
SEQ ID NO: 189	DVS	FBE5-D9	CDR2:	189
SEQ ID NO: 190	GNN	FBE5-A7	CDR2:	190
SEQ ID NO: 191	GDN	FBE5-B2	CDR2:	191
SEQ ID NO: 192	GNS	FBE5-D1	CDR2:	192
SEQ ID NO: 193	DDS	FBE5-D4 FBE5-H7	CDR2:	193
SEQ ID NO: 194	HDD	FBE5-E3	CDR2:	194
SEQ ID NO: 195	ENN	FBE5-G5	CDR2:	195
SEQ ID NO: 196	DND	FBE5-G7	CDR2:	196
SEQ ID NO: 197	SND	FBE5-H1	CDR2:	197
SEQ ID NO: 198	GND	FBE5-H6	CDR2:	198
SEQ ID NO: 199	SDY	FBE5-H8	CDR2:	199
SEQ ID NO: 200	LGS	LIG40-A11	CDR2:	200
SEQ ID NO: 201	AAS	LIG40-D8	CDR2:	201

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SEQ ID NO: 202	AAWDDSLNGVV	FBE5-A5 FBE5-A6 FBE5-A7	CDR3: 202
SEQ ID NO: 203	GTWDSSLSAEV	FBE5-A12 FBE5-E5 FBE5-F11 FBE5-C5	CDR3: 203
SEQ ID NO: 204	GTWDSSLSAAV	FBE5-B9	CDR3: 204
SEQ ID NO: 205	AAWDDSLNGYA	FBE5-C1	CDR3: 205
SEQ ID NO: 206	ETWDSSLSAVV	FBE5-C8	CDR3: 206
SEQ ID NO: 207	SSYTSSSTLV	FBE5-D9	CDR3: 207
SEQ ID NO: 208	AAWDDSLNALV	FBE5-D10	CDR3: 208
SEQ ID NO: 209	GTWDSSLSAVV	FBE5-F9 FBE5-A11 FBE5-F2 FBE5-F8 FBE5-G5	CDR3: 209
SEQ ID NO: 210	TVWDSDLNGVV	FBE5-B2	CDR3: 210
SEQ ID NO: 211	AAWDDSLSGREV	FBE5-D1	CDR3: 211
SEQ ID NO: 212	QVWDSSSDHVI	FBE5-D4	CDR3: 212
SEQ ID NO: 213	AAWDDSVKGVI	FBE5-E3	CDR3: 213
SEQ ID NO: 214	ATWDGSLNGVV	FBE5-E9	CDR3: 214
SEQ ID NO: 215	GTWDSGLSAGV	FBE5-G1	CDR3: 215
SEQ ID NO: 216	ETWDSSLNAVV	FBE5-G7	CDR3: 216
SEQ ID NO: 217	EAWDASLNGRV	FBE5-H1	CDR3: 217
SEQ ID NO: 218	SAWDDSLSGVV	FBE5-H6	CDR3: 218
SEQ ID NO: 219	QVWDSRSDHVV	FBE5-H7	CDR3: 219
SEQ ID NO: 220	ATWDASLNGYV	FBE5-H8	CDR3: 220
SEQ ID NO: 221	MQGRQPPFT	LIG40-A11	CDR3: 221
SEQ ID NO: 222	QQYDVFPIT	LIG40-D8	CDR3: 222

In one embodiment, the present invention includes an antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof that specifiwherein the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof comprises, consists essentially of, or consists of: (a) a heavy chain CDR1 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:131-134; a heavy chain CDR2 comprising the amino acid sequences selected from SEQ ID NOS: 55 135-138; and a heavy chain CDR3 comprising the amino acid sequences selected from SEQ ID NOS:139-165); and (b) a light chain CDR1 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:166-184; a light chain CDR2 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID 60 NOS:185-201; and a light chain CDR3 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:202-222. In one aspect, the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof is a full-length antibody. In another aspect, the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof is a humanized 65 antibody. In another aspect, the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof is an antigen binding fragment, wherein the

antigen binding fragment comprises an Fab, a Fab', a F(ab')₂, a single chain Fv (scFv), a disulfide linked Fv, an IgG-CH₂, cally binds an extracellular fibrinogen binding protein, 50 a F(ab')3, a tetrabody, a triabody, a diabody, a (scFv)2, or a scFv-Fc. In another aspect, the extracellular fibrinogen binding protein is selected from Efb, Coa or both. In another aspect, the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof comprises a heavy chain variable domain comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS: 71-100 and a light chain variable domain comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:101-130. In another aspect, the antibody or antigen binding fragment further comprises a collagen-like domain, a globular domain, or both. In another aspect, the antibody or antigen binding fragment further comprises a label selected from the group consisting of: a radiolabel, a fluorophore, a chromophore, an imaging agent and a metal ion, wherein the labeled antibody is a diagnostic reagent. In another aspect, the antibody or antigen binding fragment further comprises a therapeutic agent selected from an analgesic, an anti-histamine, an anti-inflammatory agent, an antibiotic, a chemotherapeutic,

an immunosuppressant, a cytokine, an anti-proliferative, an antiemetic, or a cytotoxin. In one example, the variable heavy chain and variable light chain comprise, respectively SEQ ID NOS:71 and 101, 72 and 102, 73 and 103, 74 and 104, 75 and 105, 76 and 106, 77 and 107, 78 and 108, 79 and 109, 80 and 110, 81 and 111, 82 and 112, 83 and 113, 84 and 114, 85 and 115, 86 and 116, 87 and 117, 88 and 118, 89 and 110, 90 and 120, 91 and 121, 92 and 122, 93 and 123, 94 and 124, 95 and 125, 96 and 126, 97 and 127, 98 and 128, 99 and 129, or 100 and 130.

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In another embodiment, the present invention includes a method of making the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof comprising, consisting essentially of, or consisting of: (a) culturing a cell expressing said antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof, wherein the antibody or antigen 15 binding fragment thereof comprises: a heavy chain CDR1 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:131-134; a heavy chain CDR2 comprising the amino acid sequences selected from SEQ ID NOS:135-138; and a heavy chain CDR3 comprising the amino acid sequences 20 selected from SEQ ID NOS:139-165); and (b) a light chain CDR1 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:166-184; a light chain CDR2 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:185-201; and a light chain CDR3 comprising the amino acid sequence 25 selected from SEQ ID NOS:202-222; and (b) isolating the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof from the cultured cell, wherein the cell is a eukaryotic cell. In another aspect, the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof comprises a heavy chain variable domain comprising the 30 amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS: 71-100 and a light chain variable domain comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:101-130. In one example, the variable heavy chain and variable light chain comprise, respectively SEQ ID NOS:71 and 101, 72 and 102, 73 and 103, 74 and 104, 75 and 105, 76 and 106, 77 and 107, 78 and 108, 79 and 109, 80 and 110, 81 and 111, 82 and 112, 83 and 113, 84 and 114, 85 and 115, 86 and 116, 87 and 117, 88 and 118, 89 and 110, 90 and 120, 91 and 121, 92 and 122, 93 and 123, 94 and 124, 95 and 125, 96 and 126, 97 and 40 127, 98 and 128, 99 and 129, or 100 and 130.

In another embodiment, the present invention includes an immunoconjugate having the formula (A)-(L)-(C), wherein: (A) is the antibody or antigen binding fragment of claim 1; (L) is a linker; and (C) is a cytotoxic agent; wherein the 45 linker (L) links (A) to (C) wherein the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof comprises, consists essentially of, or consists of: a heavy chain CDR1 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS: SEQ ID NOS: 131-134; a heavy chain CDR2 comprising the amino acid 50 sequences selected from SEQ ID NOS:135-138; and a heavy chain CDR3 comprising the amino acid sequences selected from SEQ ID NOS:139-165); and (b) a light chain CDR1 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:166-184; a light chain CDR2 comprising the amino 55 acid sequence selected from SEO ID NOS:185-201; and a light chain CDR3 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:202-222. In one aspect, the linker is selected from the group consisting of a cleavable linker, a non-cleavable linker, a hydrophilic linker, and a 60 dicarboxylic acid based linker. In another aspect, the linker is selected from the group consisting: N-succinimidyl 4-(2pyridyldithio)pentanoate (SPP) or N-succinimidyl 4-(2pyridyldithio)-2-sulfopentanoate (sulfo-SPP); N-succinim-4-(2-pyridyldithio)butanoate (SPDB) N-succinimidyl 4-(2-pyridyldithio)-2-sulfobutanoate (sulfo-SPDB); N-succinimidyl 4-(maleimidomethyl) cyclohexan62

ecarboxylate (SMCC); N-sulfosuccinimidyl 4-(maleimidomethyl) cyclohexanecarboxylate (sulfoSMCC); N-succinimidyl-4-(iodoacetyl)-aminobenzoate (SIAB); and N-succinimidyl-[(N-maleimidopropionamido)-tetraethyleneglycol] ester (NHS-PEG4-maleimide). In another aspect, the immunoconjugate further comprises a therapeutic agent selected from an analgesic, an anti-histamine, an anti-inflammatory agent, an antibiotic, a chemotherapeutic, an immunosuppressant, a cytokine, an anti-proliferative, an antiemetic, or a cytotoxin. In another aspect, the immunoconjugate comprises 2-6 (C), 3-4 (C), or has an average of about 3 to about 4 (C) per (A) or an average of about 3.5+/-0.5 (C) per (A). In another aspect, the immunoconjugate further comprises a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier. In another aspect, the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof comprises a heavy chain variable domain comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS: 71-100 and a light chain variable domain comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:101-130. In one example, the variable heavy chain and variable light chain comprise, respectively SEQ ID NOS:71 and 101, 72 and 102, 73 and 103, 74 and 104, 75 and 105, 76 and 106, 77 and 107, 78 and 108, 79 and 109, 80 and 110, 81 and 111, 82 and 112, 83 and 113, 84 and 114, 85 and 115, 86 and 116, 87 and 117, 88 and 118, 89 and 110, 90 and 120, 91 and 121, 92 and 122, 93 and 123, 94 and 124, 95 and 125, 96 and 126, 97 and 127, 98 and 128, 99 and 129, or 100 and 130.

In another embodiment, the present invention includes a pharmaceutical composition comprising, consisting essentially of, or consisting of: an antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof that specifically binds an extracellular fibrinogen binding protein, wherein the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof comprises: (a) a heavy chain CDR1 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:131-134; a heavy chain CDR2 comprising the amino acid sequences selected from SEQ ID NOS:135-138; and a heavy chain CDR3 comprising the amino acid sequences selected from SEQ ID NOS:139-165); and (b) a light chain CDR1 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:166-184; a light chain CDR2 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:185-201; and a light chain CDR3 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:202-222; and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier. In another aspect, the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof comprises a heavy chain variable domain comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS: 71-100 and a light chain variable domain comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:101-130. In one example, the variable heavy chain and variable light chain comprise, respectively SEQ ID NOS:71 and 101, 72 and 102, 73 and 103, 74 and 104, 75 and 105, 76 and 106, 77 and 107, 78 and 108, 79 and 109, 80 and 110, 81 and 111, 82 and 112, 83 and 113, 84 and 114, 85 and 115, 86 and 116, 87 and 117, 88 and 118, 89 and 110, 90 and 120, 91 and 121, 92 and 122, 93 and 123, 94 and 124, 95 and 125, 96 and 126, 97 and 127, 98 and 128, 99 and 129, or 100 and 130.

In another embodiment, the present invention includes a method for making a monoclonal antibody comprising, consisting essentially of, or consisting of: providing an effective amount of a composition comprising a modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein having a N-terminus modified fibrinogen, a C-terminus modified complement binding protein that does not bind a complement protein or both; producing an antibody pool of the modified extracellular fibrinogen binding protein, the C-terminus modified comple-

ment binding protein, or both; screening the antibody pool to detect active antibodies; wherein the active antibodies inhibit the fibrinogen binding to extracellular fibrinogen binding protein, wherein the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof comprises: a heavy chain CDR1 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEO ID NOS: 131-134; a heavy chain CDR2 comprising the amino acid sequences selected from SEQ ID NOS:135-138; and a heavy chain CDR3 comprising the amino acid sequences selected from SEQ ID NOS:139-165); and (b) a light chain CDR1 10 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:166-184; a light chain CDR2 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:185-201; and a light chain CDR3 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:202-222; separating the active 15 antibodies; and adding the active antibodies to a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier. In another aspect, the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof comprises a heavy chain variable domain comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEO ID NOS: 71-100 and a light chain 20 variable domain comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:101-130. In one example, the variable heavy chain and variable light chain comprise, respectively SEQ ID NOS:71 and 101, 72 and 102, 73 and 103, 74 and 104, 75 and 105, 76 and 106, 77 and 107, 78 and 25 108, 79 and 109, 80 and 110, 81 and 111, 82 and 112, 83 and 113, 84 and 114, 85 and 115, 86 and 116, 87 and 117, 88 and 118, 89 and 110, 90 and 120, 91 and 121, 92 and 122, 93 and 123, 94 and 124, 95 and 125, 96 and 126, 97 and 127, 98 and 128, 99 and 129, or 100 and 130.

In another embodiment, the present invention includes a method of treating of a staphylococcus bacterium infection comprising consisting essentially of, or consisting of: providing a pharmacologically effective amount of a monoclonal and/or polyclonal antibody or antigen-binding fragment 35 thereof that can specifically bind to a portion of a extracellular fibrinogen binding protein comprising antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof that specifically binds an extracellular fibrinogen binding protein, wherein the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof comprises: (a) a 40 heavy chain CDR1 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:131-134; a heavy chain CDR2 comprising the amino acid sequences selected from SEQ ID NOS:135-138; and a heavy chain CDR3 comprising the amino acid sequences selected from SEQ ID NOS:139-165); 45 and (b) a light chain CDR1 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:166-184; a light chain CDR2 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:185-201; and a light chain CDR3 comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:202-50 222, that inhibits fibringen binding, complement protein binding, inhibition of the shielding of the staphylococcus bacterium from recognition by a phagocytic receptor, or a combination thereof. In another aspect, the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof comprises a heavy chain 55 variable domain comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS: 71-100 and a light chain variable domain comprising the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:101-130. In one example, the variable heavy chain and variable light chain comprise, 60 respectively SEQ ID NOS:71 and 101, 72 and 102, 73 and 103, 74 and 104, 75 and 105, 76 and 106, 77 and 107, 78 and 108, 79 and 109, 80 and 110, 81 and 111, 82 and 112, 83 and 113, 84 and 114, 85 and 115, 86 and 116, 87 and 117, 88 and 118, 89 and 110, 90 and 120, 91 and 121, 92 and 122, 93 and 65 123, 94 and 124, 95 and 125, 96 and 126, 97 and 127, 98 and 128, 99 and 129, or 100 and 130.

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It is contemplated that any embodiment discussed in this specification can be implemented with respect to any method, kit, reagent, or composition of the invention, and vice versa. Furthermore, compositions of the invention can be used to achieve methods of the invention.

It will be understood that particular embodiments described herein are shown by way of illustration and not as limitations of the invention. The principal features of this invention can be employed in various embodiments without departing from the scope of the invention. Those skilled in the art will recognize or be able to ascertain using no more than routine experimentation, numerous equivalents to the specific procedures described herein. Such equivalents are considered to be within the scope of this invention and are covered by the claims.

All publications and patent applications mentioned in the specification are indicative of the level of skill of those skilled in the art to which this invention pertains. All publications and patent applications are herein incorporated by reference to the same extent as if each individual publication or patent application was specifically and individually indicated to be incorporated by reference.

The use of the word "a" or "an" when used in conjunction with the term "comprising" in the claims and/or the specification may mean "one," but it is also consistent with the meaning of "one or more," "at least one," and "one or more than one." The use of the term "or" in the claims is used to mean "and/or" unless explicitly indicated to refer to alternatives only or the alternatives are mutually exclusive, although the disclosure supports a definition that refers to only alternatives and "and/or." Throughout this application, the term "about" is used to indicate that a value includes the inherent variation of error for the device, the method being employed to determine the value, or the variation that exists among the study subjects.

As used in this specification and claim(s), the words "comprising" (and any form of comprising, such as "comprise" and "comprises"), "having" (and any form of having, such as "have" and "has"), "including" (and any form of including, such as "includes" and "include") or "containing" (and any form of containing, such as "contains" and "contain") are inclusive or open-ended and do not exclude additional, unrecited elements or method steps. In embodiments of any of the compositions and methods provided herein, "comprising" may be replaced with "consisting essentially of" or "consisting of". As used herein, the phrase "consisting essentially of" requires the specified integer(s) or steps as well as those that do not materially affect the character or function of the claimed invention. As used herein, the term "consisting" is used to indicate the presence of the recited integer (e.g., a feature, an element, a characteristic, a property, a method/process step or a limitation) or of group integers (e.g., feature(s), element(s). characteristic(s), property(ies), method/process steps or limitation(s)) only.

The term "or combinations thereof" as used herein refers to all permutations and combinations of the listed items preceding the term. For example, "A, B, C, or combinations thereof" is intended to include at least one of: A, B, C, AB, AC, BC, or ABC, and if order is important in a particular context, also BA, CA, CB, CBA, BCA, ACB, BAC, or CAB. Continuing with this example, expressly included are combinations that contain repeats of one or more item or term, such as BB, AAA, AB, BBC, AAABCCCC, CBBAAA, CABABB, and so forth. The skilled artisan will understand

that typically there is no limit on the number of items or terms in any combination, unless otherwise apparent from the context.

As used herein, words of approximation such as, without limitation, "about", "substantial" or "substantially" refers to a condition that when so modified is understood to not necessarily be absolute or perfect but would be considered close enough to those of ordinary skill in the art to warrant designating the condition as being present. The extent to which the description may vary will depend on how great a change can be instituted and still have one of ordinary skill in the art recognize the modified feature as still having the required characteristics and capabilities of the unmodified feature. In general, but subject to the preceding discussion, a numerical value herein that is modified by a word of 15 approximation such as "about" may vary from the stated value by at least ±1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 12 or 15%.

All of the compositions and/or methods disclosed and claimed herein can be made and executed without undue experimentation in light of the present disclosure. While the compositions and methods of this invention have been described in terms of preferred embodiments, it will be apparent to those of skill in the art that variations may be applied to the compositions and/or methods and in the steps or in the sequence of steps of the method described herein 25 without departing from the concept, spirit and scope of the invention. All such similar substitutes and modifications apparent to those skilled in the art are deemed to be within the spirit, scope and concept of the invention as defined by the appended claims.

To aid the Patent Office, and any readers of any patent issued on this application in interpreting the claims appended hereto, applicants wish to note that they do not intend any of the appended claims to invoke paragraph 6 of 35 U.S.C. § 112, U.S.C. § 112 paragraph (f), or equivalent, as it exists on the date of filing hereof unless the words "means for" or "step for" are explicitly used in the particular claim.

For each of the claims, each dependent claim can depend both from the independent claim and from each of the prior ⁴⁰ dependent claims for each and every claim so long as the prior claim provides a proper antecedent basis for a claim term or element.

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Additional Embodiments

In some embodiments, the present disclosure pertains to a method of making the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof including: (a) culturing a cell expressing said antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof, where the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof includes: a heavy chain CDR1 having the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:131-134; a heavy chain CDR2 having the amino acid sequences selected from SEQ ID NOS:135-138; and a heavy chain CDR3 having the amino acid sequences selected from SEQ ID NOS:139-165); and a light chain CDR1 having the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:166-184; a light chain CDR2 having the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:185-201; and a light chain CDR3 having the amino acid sequence selected from SEQ ID NOS:202-222; and (b) isolating the antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof from the cultured cell, where the cell is a eukaryotic cell.

In some embodiments, the variable heavy chain and the variable light chain include, respectively SEQ ID NOS:71 and 101, 72 and 102, 73 and 103, 74 and 104, 75 and 105, 76 and 106, 77 and 107, 78 and 108, 79 and 109, 80 and 110, 81 and 111, 82 and 112, 83 and 113, 84 and 114, 85 and 115, 86 and 116, 87 and 117, 88 and 118, 89 and 110, 90 and 120, 91 and 121, 92 and 122, 93 and 123, 94 and 124, 95 and 125, 96 and 126, 97 and 127, 98 and 128, 99 and 129, or 100 and 130.

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Lys Gly Arg Phe Thr Ile Ser Arg Asp Asn Ser Lys Asn Thr Leu Tyr
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Leu Gln Met As<br/>n Ser Leu Arg Ala Glu Asp Thr Ala Val Tyr Tyr Cys 85 90 95
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Gly Met His Trp Val Arg Gln Ala Pro Gly Lys Gly Leu Glu Trp Val
Lys Gly Arg Phe Thr Ile Ser Arg Asp Asn Ser Lys Asn Thr Leu Tyr _{65} 70 70 80
Leu Gln Met Asn Ser Leu Arg Ala Glu Asp Thr Ala Val Tyr Tyr Cys
Ala Lys Glu Gly Asp Gly Gly Ser Gly Met Asp Val Trp Gly Gln Gly
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Thr Thr Val Thr Val Ser Ser
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Lys Gly Arg Phe Thr Ile Ser Arg Asp Asn Ser Lys Asn Thr Leu Tyr
65 70 75 80
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Ala Lys Thr Gly Tyr Gly Asp Glu Gly Glu Phe Asp Tyr Trp Gly Gln
Gly Thr Leu Val Thr Val Ser Ser
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Gly Met His Trp Val Arg Gln Ala Pro Gly Lys Gly Leu Glu Trp Val 35 40 45
Ala Val Ile Ser Tyr Asp Gly Ser Asn Lys Tyr Tyr Ala Asp Ser Val 50 60
Lys Gly Arg Phe Thr Ile Ser Arg Asp Asn Ser Lys Asn Thr Leu Tyr
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Gly Met His Trp Val Arg Gln Ala Pro Gly Lys Gly Leu Glu Trp Val
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Ala Val Ile Ser Tyr Asp Gly Ser Asn Lys Tyr Tyr Ala Asp Ser Val
Lys Gly Arg Phe Thr Ile Ser Arg Asp Asn Ser Lys Asn Thr Leu Tyr
Leu Gln Met Asn Ser Leu Arg Ala Glu Asp Thr Ala Val Tyr Tyr Cys
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Gly Met His Trp Val Arg Gln Ala Pro Gly Lys Gly Leu Glu Trp Val 35 40 45
Val Val Ile Ser Tyr Asp Glu Ser Asn Lys Tyr Tyr Ala Asp Ser Val 50 \, 60
Lys Gly Arg Phe Thr Ile Ser Arg Asp Asn Ser Lys Asn Thr Leu Tyr
Leu Gln Met Asn Ser Leu Arg Ala Glu Asp Thr Ala Val Tyr Tyr Cys
Ala Lys Asp Arg Ser Gly His Gly Asp Ala Phe Asp Ile Trp Gly Gln
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Gly Thr Met Val Ala Val Ser Leu
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Ser Leu Arg Leu Ser Cys Ala Ala Ser Gly Phe Thr Phe Ser Ser Tyr $20$
Gly Met His Trp Val Arg Gln Ala Pro Gly Lys Gly Leu Glu Trp Val
Ala Val Ile Ser Tyr Asp Gly Ser Asn Lys Tyr Tyr Ala Asp Ser Val 50 \,
Lys Gly Arg Phe Thr Ile Ser Arg Asp Asn Ser Lys Asn Thr Leu Tyr
Leu Gln Met Asn Ser Leu Arg Ala Glu Asp Thr Ala Val Tyr Tyr Cys
Ala Lys Glu Gly Asp Gly Tyr Leu Asp Tyr Trp Gly Gln Gly Thr Leu
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Val Thr Val Ser Ser
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Ala Val Ile Ser Tyr Asp Gly Ser Asn Lys Tyr Tyr Ala Asp Ser Val
Lys Gly Arg Phe Thr Ile Ser Arg Asp Asn Ser Lys Asn Thr Leu Tyr _{65} 70 70 80
Leu Gln Met Asn Ser Leu Arg Ala Glu Asp Thr Ala Val Tyr Tyr Cys 85 90 95
Ala Arg Glu Gly Val Gly Gly Asp Tyr Gly Asp Leu Pro Thr Gly Pro 100 \ 100 \ 105 \ 110
Tyr Tyr Tyr Gly Met Asp Val Trp Gly Gln Gly Thr Thr Val Thr 115 $120$
Val Ser Ser
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Ser Leu Arg Leu Ser Cys Ala Ala Ser Gly Phe Thr Phe Ser Ser Tyr 20 25 30
Gly Met His Trp Val Arg Gln Ala Pro Gly Lys Gly Leu Glu Trp Val 35 40 45
Lys Gly Arg Phe Thr Ile Ser Arg Asp Asn Ser Lys Asn Thr Leu Tyr 65 70 75 80
Leu Gln Met Asn Ser Leu Arg Ala Glu Asp Thr Ala Val Tyr Tyr Cys 85 90 95
Ala Lys Val Tyr Ala Gly Glu Glu Gly Met Asp Val Trp Gly Gln Gly 100 \\ 105 \\ 110
Thr Thr Val Thr Val Ser Ser
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Ala Val Ile Ser Tyr Asp Gly Ser Asn Lys Tyr Tyr Ala Asp Ser Val 50 60
Lys Gly Arg Phe Thr Ile Ser Arg Asp Asn Ser Lys Asn Thr Leu Tyr 65 70 70 80
Leu Gln Met Asn Ser Leu Arg Ala Glu Asp Thr Ala Val Tyr Tyr Cys 85 \hspace{1cm} 90 \hspace{1cm} 95 \hspace{1cm} 95 \hspace{1cm}
Gln Gly Thr Leu Val Thr Val Ser Ser
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Gly Met His Trp Val Arg Gln Ala Pro Gly Lys Gly Leu Glu Trp Val 35 \ \ 40 \ \ \ 45
Lys Gly Arg Phe Thr Ile Ser Arg Asp Asn Ser Lys Asn Thr Leu Tyr 65 70 75 80
Leu Gln Met Asn Ser Leu Arg Ala Glu Asp Thr Ala Val Tyr Tyr Cys 85 \hspace{1cm} 90 \hspace{1cm} 95
Ala Lys Asn Ser Ala Gly Asp Ala Phe Asp Tyr Trp Gly Gln Gly Thr
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Gly Met His Trp Val Arg Gln Ala Pro Gly Lys Gly Leu Glu Trp Val
Ala Val Ile Ser Tyr Asp Gly Ser Asn Lys Tyr Tyr Ala Asp Ser Val
Lys Gly Arg Phe Thr Ile Ser Arg Asp Asn Ser Lys Asn Thr Leu Tyr
Leu Gln Met Asn Ser Leu Arg Ala Glu Asp Thr Ala Val Tyr Tyr Cys
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Thr Val Asn Trp Tyr Gln Gln Leu Pro Gly Thr Ala Pro Lys Leu Leu 35 40 45
Ile Tyr Ser Asn Asn Gln Arg Pro Ser Gly Val Pro Asp Arg Phe Ser
Gly Ser Lys Ser Gly Thr Ser Ala Ser Leu Ala Ile Ser Gly Leu Gln
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Ser Glu Asp Glu Ala Asp Tyr Tyr Cys Ala Ala Trp Asp Asp Ser Leu
Asn Gly Val Val Phe Gly Gly Gly Thr Lys Leu Thr Val Leu
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                              105
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Gly Val Thr Ile Ser Cys Ser Gly Ser Ser Ser Asn Ile Gly Ser Asn
Thr Val Asn Trp Tyr Gln Gln Leu Pro Gly Thr Ala Pro Lys Leu Leu
Ile Tyr Ser Asn Asn Gln Arg Pro Ser Gly Val Pro Asp Arg Phe Ser
Gly Ser Lys Ser Gly Thr Ser Ala Ser Leu Ala Ile Ser Gly Leu Gln 65 70 75 80
Ser Glu Asp Glu Ala Asp Tyr Tyr Cys Ala Ala Trp Asp Asp Ser Leu
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Tyr Val Asn Trp Tyr Gln Gln Leu Pro Gly Ser Ala Pro Lys Leu Leu
Ile Tyr Arg Asn Asn Gln Arg Pro Ser Gly Val Pro Asp Arg Phe Ser
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Gly Ser Lys Ser Gly Thr Ser Ala Thr Leu Gly Ile Thr Gly Leu Gln
Thr Gly Asp Glu Ala Asp Tyr Tyr Cys Gly Thr Trp Asp Ser Ser Leu
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Lys Val Thr Ile Ser Cys Ser Gly Ser Ser Ser Asn Ile Gly Asn Asn 20 \hspace{1.5cm} 25 \hspace{1.5cm} 30 \hspace{1.5cm}
Tyr Val Ser Trp Tyr Gln Gln Leu Pro Gly Thr Ala Pro Lys Leu Leu
Ile Tyr Asp Asn Asn Lys Arg Pro Ser Gly Ile Pro Asp Arg Phe Ser 50 \, 60
Gly Ser Lys Ser Gly Thr Ser Ala Thr Leu Gly Ile Thr Gly Leu Gln
                     70
                                  75
Thr Gly Asp Glu Ala Asp Tyr Tyr Cys Gly Thr Trp Asp Ser Ser Leu
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Ser Ala Ala Val Phe Gly Gly Gly Thr Lys Leu Thr Val Leu
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                                 105
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Arg Val Thr Ile Ser Cys Ser Gly Ser Ser Ser Asn Ile Gly Ser Gly 20 25 30
Pro Val Asn Trp Tyr Gln Gln Leu Pro Gly Thr Ala Pro Lys Leu Leu
Ile Tyr Ser Asp Thr Arg Arg Pro Ser Gly Ile Pro Asp Arg Leu Ser
Gly Ser Lys Ser Gly Thr Ser Ala Ser Leu Gly Ile Ser Gly Leu Gln
Ser Glu Asp Glu Ala Asp Tyr Tyr Cys Ala Ala Trp Asp Asp Ser Leu
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Ser Val Ser Trp Tyr Gln Gln Leu Pro Gly Thr Ala Pro Lys Leu Leu
Ile Tyr Asp Asn Asn Lys Arg Pro Ser Gly Ile Pro Asp Arg Phe Ser 50 \, 60
Gly Ser Lys Ser Gly Thr Ser Ala Thr Leu Gly Ile Thr Gly Leu Gln
Thr Gly Asp Glu Ala Asp Tyr Tyr Cys Glu Thr Trp Asp Ser Ser Leu
                                     90
Ser Ala Val Val Phe Gly Gly Gly Thr Lys Leu Thr Val Leu
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Asn Tyr Val Ser Trp Tyr Gln Gln His Pro Gly Lys Ala Pro Lys Leu
Met Ile Tyr Asp Val Ser Asn Arg Pro Ser Gly Val Ser Asn Arg Phe
Ser Gly Ser Lys Ser Gly Asn Thr Ala Ser Leu Thr Ile Ser Gly Leu
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Arg Val Thr Ile Ser Cys Ser Ala Ser Ser Ser Asn Ile Gly Ser Asn
                        25
Thr Val Asn Trp Tyr Gln Gln Leu Pro Gly Thr Ala Pro Lys Leu Leu
Ile Tyr Ser Asn Asn Gln Arg Pro Ser Gly Val Pro Asp Arg Phe Ser 50 \, 60
Gly Ser Arg Ser Gly Thr Ser Ala Ser Leu Ala Ile Ser Gly Leu Gln
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Ser Glu Asp Glu Ala Asp Tyr Tyr Cys Ala Ala Trp Asp Asp Ser Leu
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Tyr Val Ser Trp Tyr Gln Gln Leu Pro Gly Thr Ala Pro Lys Leu Leu
Ile Tyr Asp Asn Asn Lys Arg Pro Ser Gly Ile Pro Asp Arg Phe Ser 50 \, 60
Gly Ser Lys Ser Gly Thr Ser Ala Thr Leu Gly Ile Thr Gly Leu Gln
Thr Gly Asp Glu Ala Asp Tyr Tyr Cys Gly Thr Trp Asp Ser Ser Leu
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Lys Val Thr Ile Ser Cys Ser Gly Ser Ser Ser Asn Ile Glu Lys Asn 20 \hspace{1.5cm} 25 \hspace{1.5cm} 30 \hspace{1.5cm}
Tyr Val Ser Trp Tyr Gln Gln Leu Pro Gly Thr Ala Pro Lys Leu Leu
Ile Tyr Asp Asn Asn Lys Arg Pro Ser Gly Ile Pro Asp Arg Phe Ser
Gly Ser Lys Ser Gly Thr Ser Ala Thr Leu Gly Ile Thr Gly Leu Gln
Thr Gly Asp Glu Ala Asp Tyr Tyr Cys Gly Thr Trp Asp Ser Ser Leu
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Ile Tyr Asp Asn Asn Lys Arg Pro Ser Gly Ile Pro Asp Arg Phe Ser 50 \phantom{\bigg|} 60
Gly Ser Lys Ser Gly Thr Ser Ala Thr Leu Gly Ile Thr Gly Leu Gln 65 70 75 80
Thr Gly Asp Glu Ala Asp Tyr Tyr Cys Gly Thr Trp Asp Ser Ser Leu 85 \phantom{\bigg|} 90 \phantom{\bigg|} 95
Ser Ala Glu Val Phe Gly Gly Gly Thr Lys Leu Thr Val Leu
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Arg Val Thr Ile Ser Cys Ser Gly Ser Ser Ser Ser Asn Ile Gly Ser Asn 25 \phantom{\bigg|} 30
Thr Val Asn Trp Tyr Gln Gln Val Pro Gly Thr Ala Pro Lys Leu Leu 35 45
Gly Ser Lys Ser Gly Thr Ser Ala Ser Leu Ala Ile Ser Gly Leu Gln 65 70 70 80
Ser Glu Asp Glu Ala Asp Tyr Tyr Cys Ala Ala Trp Asp Asp Ser Leu
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Tyr Val Ser Trp Tyr Gln Gln Leu Pro Gly Thr Ala Pro Lys Leu Leu
Ile Tyr Asp Asn Asn Arg Arg Pro Ser Gly Ile Pro Asp Arg Phe Ser
Gly Ser Lys Ser Gly Thr Ser Ala Thr Leu Gly Ile Thr Gly Leu Gln 65 70 75 80
Thr Gly Asp Glu Ala Asp Tyr Tyr Cys Gly Thr Trp Asp Ser Ser Leu
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Arg Val Thr Ile Ser Cys Ser Gly Ser Ser Ser Ser Asn Ile Gly Ser Asn 20 \phantom{\bigg|}25\phantom{\bigg|}
Thr Val Asn Trp Tyr Gln Gln Leu Pro Gly Thr Ala Pro Arg Leu Val 35 \  \  \, 45
Ile His Gly Asp Asn Arg Arg Pro Ser Gly Val Ser Gly Arg Phe Ser 50 \, 55 \, 60 \,
Gly Ser Lys Ser Gly Ala Ser Ala Ser Leu Ala Ile Ser Gly Leu Gln 65 70 75 80
Ser Glu Asp Glu Ala Asp Tyr Tyr Cys Thr Val Trp Asp Ser Asp Leu
Asn Gly Val Val Phe Gly Gly Gly Thr Arg Leu Thr Val Leu
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Lys Val Thr Ile Ser Cys Ser Gly Ser Ser Ser Asn Ile Gly Asn Asn 20 \\ 0 \\ 25 \\ 30
Tyr Val Ser Trp Tyr Gln Gln Leu Pro Gly Thr Ala Pro Lys Leu Leu 35 40 45
Ile Tyr Asp Asn Asn Lys Arg Pro Ser Gly Ile Pro Asp Arg Phe Ser 50 \, 60
Gly Ser Lys Ser Gly Thr Ser Ala Thr Leu Gly Ile Thr Gly Leu Gln
Thr Gly Asp Glu Ala Asp Tyr Tyr Cys Gly Thr Trp Asp Ser Ser Leu
                                       90
Ser Ala Glu Val Phe Gly Gly Gly Thr Lys Leu Thr Val Leu
            100
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Tyr Asp Val His Trp Tyr Gln Gln Leu Pro Gly Thr Ala Pro Lys Leu
Leu Ile Tyr Gly Asn Ser Asn Arg Pro Ser Gly Val Pro Asp Arg Phe 50 \phantom{000} 60
Ser Gly Ser Lys Ser Gly Thr Ser Ala Ser Leu Ala Ile Ser Gly Leu 65 70 70 80
Arg Ser Glu Asp Glu Ala Asp Tyr Tyr Cys Ala Ala Trp Asp Asp Ser 85 90 95
Leu Ser Gly Arg Glu Val Phe Gly Gly Gly Thr Lys Leu Thr Val Leu 100 \hspace{1.5cm} 105 \hspace{1.5cm} 105 \hspace{1.5cm} 110 \hspace{1.5cm}
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Thr Ala Arg Ile Thr Cys Gly Gly Asn Asn Ile Gly Arg Lys Thr Val \phantom{\bigg|}20\phantom{\bigg|}20\phantom{\bigg|}25\phantom{\bigg|}
His Trp Tyr Gln Gln Lys Pro Gly Gln Ala Pro Val Leu Val Val Tyr $35$ $40$
Asp Asp Ser Asp Arg Pro Ser Gly Ile Pro Glu Arg Phe Ser Gly Ser 50 \,
Asn Ser Gly Asn Thr Ala Thr Leu Ile Ile Ser Gly Val Glu Ala Gly 65 \phantom{\bigg|}70\phantom{\bigg|}70\phantom{\bigg|}75\phantom{\bigg|}80\phantom{\bigg|}
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Ile Tyr Ser Asn Asn Gln Arg Pro Ser Gly Val Pro Asp Arg Phe Ser 50 \, 60
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Tyr Val Ser Trp Tyr Gln Gln Leu Pro Gly Thr Ala Pro Lys Leu Leu
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Ile Tyr Asp Asn Asn Lys Arg Pro Ser Gly Ile Pro Asp Arg Phe Ser 50 \, 60
Gly Ser Lys Ser Gly Thr Ser Ala Thr Leu Gly Ile Thr Gly Leu Gln 65 70 75 80
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Tyr Val Ser Trp Tyr Gln Gln Leu Pro Gly Glu Ala Pro Lys Leu Leu 35 40 45
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Gly Ser Lys Ser Gly Thr Ser Ala Thr Leu Gly Ile Thr Gly Leu Gln
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Gly Ser Lys Ser Gly Thr Ser Val Thr Leu Gly Ile Thr Gly Leu Gln 65 70 75 80
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Pro Val Asn Trp Tyr Gln Gln Leu Pro Gly Thr Ala Pro Lys Leu Leu
Ile Tyr Ser Asn Asp Gln Arg Pro Ser Gly Val Pro Asp Arg Phe Ser
Gly Ser Lys Ser Gly Thr Ser Gly Ser Leu Ala Ile Ser Gly Leu Gln 65 70 75 80
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Gly Ser Lys Ser Gly Thr Ser Val Ser Leu Ala Ile Ser Gly Leu Arg
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Asp Asp Ser Asp Arg Pro Ser Gly Ile Pro Glu Arg Phe Ser Gly Ser 50 \,
Asn Ser Gly Asn Thr Ala Thr Leu Thr Ile Ser Arg Val Glu Ala Gly 65 70 75 80
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Pro Gln Leu Leu Ile Tyr Leu Gly Ser Asn Arg Ala Pro Gly Val Pro 50 \, 60 \,
Asp Arg Phe Ser Gly Ser Gly Ser Gly Thr Asp Phe Thr Leu Arg Ile 65 70 75 80
Ser Arg Val Glu Ala Glu Asp Val Gly Val Tyr Tyr Cys Met Gln Gly 85 90 95
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                            40
Ser Ala Ala Ser Ser Leu Gln Asn Gly Val Pro Leu Arg Phe Ser Gly
Ser Ala Ser Gly Ala Asp Phe Thr Leu Thr Ile Ser Gly Leu Gln Pro
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What is claimed is:

- 1. An isolated antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof that specifically binds to a staphylococcal extracellular fibrinogen binding protein, wherein the antibody or the antigen binding fragment thereof comprises:
 - (a) a heavy chain CDR1 comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 131, a heavy chain CDR2 comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 135, and a heavy chain CDR3 comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 148, and
 - (b) a light chain CDR1 comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 168, a light chain CDR2 comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 187, and a light chain CDR3 comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 203.
- 2. The antibody or the antigen binding fragment thereof of claim 1, wherein the antibody is a full-length antibody, is a humanized antibody, or both.
- 3. The antibody or the antigen binding fragment thereof of claim 2, wherein the antibody binds to SEQ ID NO: 32 and SEO ID NO: 63.
- **4.** The antibody or the antigen binding fragment thereof of claim **1**, wherein the extracellular fibrinogen binding protein is Coa protein of *Staphylococcus aureus*.
- **5**. The antibody or the antigen binding fragment thereof of claim **1**, wherein the antibody or the antigen binding fragment thereof comprises a heavy chain variable domain comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 81 and a light chain variable domain comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 111.
- **6.** An immunoconjugate having the formula (A)-(L)-(C), wherein (A) is the antibody or the antigen binding fragment thereof of claim **1**, (L) is a linker, and (C) is a cytotoxic agent.
- 7. The immunoconjugate of claim 6, wherein the linker is selected from the group consisting of a cleavable linker, a

- non-cleavable linker, a hydrophilic linker, and a dicarboxylic acid based linker, or is selected from the group consisting of N-succinimidyl 4-(2-pyridyldithio)pentanoate (SPP) or N-succinimidyl 4-(2-pyridyldithio)-2-sulfopentanoate (sulfo-SPP); N-succinimidyl 4-(2-pyridyldithio)-2-sulfobutanoate (sulfo-SPDB); N-succinimidyl 4-(maleimidomethyl) cyclohexanecarboxylate (SMCC); N-sulfosuccinimidyl 4-(maleimidomethyl) cyclohexanecarboxylate (sulfoSMCC); N-succinimidyl-4-(iodoacetyl)-aminobenzoate (STAB); and N-succinimidyl-[(N-maleimidopropionamido)-tetraethyleneglycol] ester (NHS-PEG4-maleimide).
- 8. The immunoconjugate of claim 6, further comprising a therapeutic agent selected from an analgesic, an anti-histamine, an anti-inflammatory agent, an antibiotic, a chemotherapeutic, an immunosuppressant, a cytokine, an antiproliferative, an antiemetic, a cytotoxin, or a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 9. The immunoconjugate of claim 6, wherein the immunoconjugate comprises 2-6 (C), 3-4 (C), or has an average of about 3 to about 4 (C) per (A), or an average of about 3.5+/-0.5 (C) per (A).
- 10. A method of making the antibody or the antigen binding fragment thereof of claim 1, the method comprising:
 - (a) culturing a cell expressing the antibody or the antigen binding fragment thereof, and
 - (b) isolating the antibody or the antigen binding fragment thereof from the cultured cell, wherein the cell is a eukaryotic cell.
- 11. The method of claim 10, wherein the antibody or the antigen binding fragment thereof comprises a heavy chain variable domain comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 81 and a light chain variable domain comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 111.

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