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Software and code

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Data collection During cell sorting for antibody-escaped cells, the FACSDiva software, version 6.1.

Data analysis The complete computational pipeline for escape-mapping data analysis is available at: https://github.com/jbloombab/SARS-CoV-2-RBD_MAP_Rockefeller. Markdown summaries of the escape-mapping data analysis steps: https://github.com/jbloombab/SARS-CoV-2-RBD_MAP_Rockefeller/blob/main/results/summary/summary.md.

Specifically, we used the `dms_variants` package (https://jbloomlab.github.io/dms_variants/, version 0.8.5) to process Illumina sequences into counts of each barcoded RBD variant in each pre-sort and antibody-escape population using the barcode/RBD look-up table from Starr et al. (2020). For the analysis in Figure 6, all 765,455 spike sequences on GISAD38 as of May 11, 2021 were downloaded and aligned via mafft, version 7.471. The static logo plots in the paper were created using `dmslogo` (<https://jbloomlab.github.io/dmslogo/>) version 0.6.2; a markdown rendering of the code that creates these logo plots is at https://github.com/jbloombab/SARS-CoV-2-RBD_MAP_Rockefeller/blob/main/results/summary/escape_profiles.md. The interactive visualizations of the escape maps and their projections on the RBD-antibody structures available at https://jbloomlab.github.io/SARS-CoV-2-RBD_MAP_Rockefeller/ were created using `dms-view` (<https://dms-view.github.io/docs/>). In Figure 5C and Figure S6, the numerical IC50 values were extracted from figures in Weisblum et al. (2020) using the WebPlotDigitizer tool v4.4 (<https://apps.automeris.io/wpd/>). The multidimensional scaling in Figure 1C and Figure 4A that projects the antibodies into a two-dimensional space of escape mutations was performed using the Python `scikit-learn` package, version 0.23.2. Antibody-RBD structural contacts were annotated using the `bio3d` package, version 2.4.0, in R version 3.6.2.

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All data in the manuscript are available without restriction.

Raw data tables of mutant escape fractions are in Supplementary Table 1: https://github.com/jbloomlab/SARS-CoV-2-RBD_MAP_Rockefeller/blob/main/results/supp_data/all_samples_raw_data.csv. These data are the escape fractions shown in Figures 1-6 and Figures S2-S6.

Raw Illumina sequencing for the escape mapping: NCBI SRA, BioProject: PRJNA639956, BioSample SAMN18148595.

Processed Illumina sequencing counts for the escape mapping: https://github.com/jbloomlab/SARS-CoV-2-RBD_MAP_Rockefeller/blob/main/results/counts/variant_counts.csv

The following publicly available datasets were used in the analysis in this study:

The PDB accessions for the antibody-S complex structures are: 6XCM and 6XCN for C105, 7C01 for LY-CoV016, 7K8S and 7K8T for C002, 7K8X and 7K8Y for C121, 7K90 for C144, 7K8Z for C135, and 7K8V for C11025,28,29. The protein sequences for these antibodies are available at the aforementioned PDB accession numbers. Surface representations of the RBD for non-antibody-bound structures utilize PDB 6MOJ65.

The “wildtype” SARS-CoV-2 RBD sequence is that from isolate Wuhan-Hu-1 (Genbank accession number MN908947, residues N331-T531).

The analysis in Figure 6 uses all 765,455 spike sequences on the GISAID EpiCoV database (<https://www.gisaid.org/>) as of May 11, 2021.

Together, these are the minimal set of data required to replicate the analysis.

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Sample size	No sample size calculations were performed. n=2 independent, biological replicate libraries were used for all escape-mapping experiments. The mutation- and site-level escape metrics were well-correlated between the two independent libraries, so biological duplicate libraries were determined to be sufficient. The numbers of antibodies and plasma samples used in the study were determined by the number of available monoclonal antibodies and polyclonal plasma samples from individuals previously infected with SARS-CoV-2.
Data exclusions	No data were excluded from analyses.
Replication	n=2 independent, biological replicate SARS-CoV-2 RBD deep mutational scanning libraries were used for all escape-mapping experiments. All attempts at replication were successful and are reported in the manuscript.
Randomization	For no analyses did we determine statistical significance of results. No randomization, covariate analyses, or statistical tests were performed. We did not determine statistical significance for the escape metrics as there is no established method for doing so. In the Methods, we report here the details of quantitative analysis of the effects of mutations on antibody binding to the RBD. Samples were not assigned to different cohorts or study arms, so randomization would not apply to the work done in this study. All samples were treated the same.
Blinding	No group allocation or blinding was performed in this study.

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Antibodies

Antibodies used

C105, LY-CoV016, C121, C144, C002, C110, C135 monoclonal antibodies were isolated from SARS-CoV-2 convalescent individuals as described by Robbiani, et al. (2020) and Shi et al. (2020). These antibodies all bind to the SARS-CoV-2 receptor-binding domain (RBD). Escape-mapping experiments also used the following secondary antibodies: PE-conjugated goat anti-human-IgG (Jackson ImmunoResearch 109-115-098) to label for bound monoclonal antibody or Alexa-647-conjugated goat anti-human-IgA+IgG+IgM (Jackson ImmunoResearch 109-605-064) to label for bound plasma antibodies, and FITC-conjugated anti-Myc (Immunology Consultants Lab, CYMC-45F) to label for RBD surface expression. For this antibody, the manufacturer website (<https://www.icllab.com/anti-c-myc-antibody-chicken-fitc-13661.html>) states: "This antibody will react with EQKLISEEDL as determined by ELISA and IP techniques." This antibody was validated for binding to yeast-displayed myc-tagged proteins in Procko et al. (2013) (doi:10.1016/j.jmb.2013.06.035) and validated for binding to yeast-displayed myc-tagged RBD in Starr et al. (2020) (doi:10.1016/j.cell.2020.08.012).

Validation

These antibodies were previously structurally characterized in complex with SARS-CoV-2 S trimer in Barnes, et al. (2020a), Barnes, et al., (2020b), and Shi et al. (2020). The neutralization properties of C135, C144, and C121 were functionally characterized in Weisblum et al. (2020). The PBD accessions for the antibody-S complex structures are: 6XCM and 6XCN for C105, 7C01 for LY-CoV016, 7K8S and 7K8T for C002, 7K8X and 7K8Y for C121, 7K90 for C144, 7K8Z for C135, and 7K8V for C110.

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Population characteristics

No covariate analyses were performed in this study. Plasma samples were previously described and collected as part of a prospective longitudinal cohort study of SARS-CoV-2 convalescent adult individuals in New York, NY (Robbiani et al (2020)). Plasma samples profiled in this study were obtained 21-35 days post-symptom onset.

Recruitment

Plasma samples were previously described and collected as part of a prospective longitudinal cohort study of SARS-CoV-2 convalescent individuals in the tristate region near New York, NY (Robbiani et al (2020)). Plasma samples profiled in this study were obtained 21-35 days post-symptom onset. According to Robbiani et al: "Study participants were recruited at the Rockefeller University Hospital in New York from 1 April to 8 May 2020. Eligible participants were adults aged 18–76 years who were either diagnosed with a SARS-CoV-2 infection by RT–PCR and were free of symptoms of COVID-19 for at least 14 days (cases), or who were close contacts (for example, household members, co-workers or members of same religious community) of someone who had been diagnosed with a SARS-CoV-2 infection by RT–PCR and were free of symptoms suggestive of COVID-19 for at least 14 days (contacts). Exclusion criteria included the presence of symptoms suggestive of an active SARS-CoV-2 infection, or haemoglobin levels of <12 g/dl for men and <11 g/dl for women." Therefore, self-selection bias could have influenced whether participants chose to enroll in the study or not. For instance, participants must have been willing and able to travel to the Rockefeller University Hospital and to interact with healthcare personnel near the beginning of the COVID-19 epidemic in the region. The study was also limited to the tri-state region and may not be representative of other geographic locations.

Ethics oversight

Samples were obtained upon written consent from community participants under protocols approved by the Institutional Review Board of the Rockefeller University (DRO-1006).

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Sample preparation	Antibody labeling and selection was performed essentially as described in Greaney, et al. (2020) ³⁰ . Specifically, 9 OD aliquots of RBD libraries were thawed and grown overnight at 30°C 275 rpm in 45mL SD-CAA (6.7 g/L Yeast Nitrogen Base, 5.0 g/L Casamino acids, 1.065 g/L MES, and 2% w/v dextrose). Libraries were diluted to an OD of 0.67 in SG-CAA+0.1% dextrose (SD-CAA with 2% w/v galactose and 0.1% w/v dextrose in place of 2% dextrose), and incubated for 16-18 hours at room temperature with mild agitation to induce RBD surface expression. For each antibody selection, 20 OD units of induced cells were washed twice with PBS-BSA (0.2 mg/mL), and incubated in 4mL of PBS-BSA with monoclonal antibody or plasma for 1 h at room temperature with gentle agitation. Incubations were performed with 400 ng/mL for each monoclonal antibody (C105, C144, C002, C121, C135, or C110) or with a sub-saturating dilution of polyclonal plasma such that the amount of fluorescent signal due to plasma antibody binding to RBD was approximately equal across plasma (COV-021, 1:500; COV-047, 1:200; COV-057, 1:50; COV-072, 1:200; COV-107, 1:80). Labeled cells were washed with ice-cold PBS-BSA followed by secondary labeling for 1 h at 4°C in 2.5 mL 1:200 PE-conjugated goat anti-human-IgG (Jackson ImmunoResearch 109-115-098) to label for bound monoclonal antibody or 1:200 Alexa-647-conjugated goat anti-human-IgA+IgG+IgM (Jackson ImmunoResearch 109-605-064) to label for bound plasma antibodies, and 1:100 FITC-conjugated anti-Myc (Immunology Consultants Lab, CYMC-45F) to label for RBD surface expression. Labeled cells were washed twice with PBS-BSA and resuspended in 2.5mL PBS. Yeast expressing the unmutated SARS-CoV-2 RBD were prepared in parallel to library samples, labeled at the same 400 ng/mL and 100x reduced 4 ng/mL antibody concentrations for the monoclonal antibodies, and with 1x and 10x reduced plasma concentrations for the polyclonal plasma.
Instrument	Yeast cells expressing RBD variants with substantially reduced antibody binding were selected via fluorescence-activated cell sorting (FACS) on a BD FACSAria II.
Software	FACSDiva software was used to set selection gates during cell sorting. No analysis was performed on the flow cytometry data itself. The complete computational pipeline for escape-mapping data analysis is available at https://github.com/jbloombab/SARS-CoV-2-RBD_MAP_Rockefeller .
Cell population abundance	A nested FACS gating strategy was used for all antibody- and plasma-escape selection experiments to select for single cells (SSC-A vs. FSC-A, SSC-W vs. SSC-H, and FSC-W vs. FSC-H) that also express RBD (FITC-A vs. FSC-A). Then, cells with substantially reduced antibody binding were selected on a 2D scatter plot with RBD expression on the x-axis and antibody binding on the y-axis. For monoclonal antibody selections, FACS selection gates were drawn to capture 95% of yeast expressing unmutated SARS-CoV-2 RBD labeled at 100x reduced antibody concentration relative to library samples. For polyclonal plasma selections, FACS selection gates were drawn to capture 2.8–5% of the RBD mutants with the lowest amount of plasma binding for their degree of RBD expression. Specifically, the fractions of RBD+ cells that fell into the antibody-escape bin for each antibody (prefixed with C*) or plasma (prefixed with COV*) and each biological replicate library were as follows: C135: 16.2 and 16.8%; C144: 15.3 and 15.5%; C121: 18.4 and 17.6%; C110: 13.5 and 14.1%; C002: 17.1 and 17.9%; COV-21: 3.1 and 4.3%; COV-47: 3.7 and 3.7%; COV-57: 4.8 and 4%; COV-72: 2.8 and 3%; COV-107: 5.1 and 2.9%. Nearly zero (<0.1%) and 0.2 to 27.2% of cells expressing unmutated RBD fell into this gate when stained with 1x and 0.1x the concentration of plasma, respectively. For each sample, approximately 10 million RBD+ cells (range 8.7e6 to 1.5e7 cells) were processed on the cytometer, with between 1.5e6 and 2.0e6 monoclonal antibody-escaped cells and 3.2e5 and 5.3e5 plasma-escaped cells collected per sample. These numbers are also listed in Supplementary Table 1.
Gating strategy	Yeast cells expressing RBD variants with substantially reduced antibody binding were selected via fluorescence-activated cell sorting (FACS) on a BD FACSAria II. For monoclonal antibody selections, FACS selection gates were drawn to capture 95% of yeast expressing unmutated SARS-CoV-2 RBD labeled at 100x reduced antibody concentration relative to library samples. For polyclonal plasma selections, FACS selection gates were drawn to capture 2.8–5% of the RBD mutants with the lowest amount of plasma binding for their degree of RBD expression (Figure S1A-C). Nearly zero (<0.1%) and 0.2 to 27.2% of cells expressing unmutated RBD fell into this gate when stained with 1x and 0.1x the concentration of plasma, respectively. For each sample, approximately 10 million RBD+ cells (range 8.7e6 to 1.5e7 cells) were processed on the cytometer, with between 1.5e6 and 2.0e6 monoclonal antibody-escaped cells and 3.2e5 and 5.3e5 plasma-escaped cells collected per sample. Antibody-escaped cells collected per sample into SD-CAA supplemented with 1% w/v BSA and grown overnight in 1.5mL SD-CAA + 100 U/mL penicillin + 100 µg/mL streptomycin at 30°C 275 rpm.

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