

Tables

Table S1: Antigenic data. Related to Figure 1.

We list neutralisation titers, T_i^k , of strains from variant i assayed against human antisera induced by primary immunisation (infection or vaccination) with strains of variant k (columns). Numbers are computed from average values of titer drops ($\Delta T_i^k = T_*^k - T_i^k$) of primary data from refs. [3, 7, 8, 29, 30, 32, 52, 53, 71, 85, 85, 88, 90]; see Table S4. Where no primary data is available, titer drops are inferred by symmetry or (as lower bounds) by genetic similarity (numbers in italics, Methods). Absolute titers T_i^k are shifted by the reference titers $T_*^k = 6.5$, ($k = \text{Alpha, Delta, BA.1, BA.2, BA.4/5}$), $T_*^{\text{vac}} = 7.8$, $T_*^{\text{bst}} = T_*^{\text{biv}} = 9.8$ obtained from refs. [8, 9, 52, 93]; see Methods and Figure 1D.

	Alpha	Delta	BA.1	BA.2	BA.4/5	vac	bst	biv
Alpha	6.6	4.7	< 2.2	< 2.2	< 2.2	7.0	< 9.0	< 9.0
Delta	5.0	6.6	< 1.8	< 1.8	< 1.8	6.1	8.3	< 8.3
BA.1	1.5	1.8	6.6	4.7	5.3	2.2	7.1	7.1
BA.2	< 1.5	< 1.8	5.3	6.6	7.3	< 2.2	7.4	10.5
BA.4/5	< 1.5	< 1.8	4.0	5.2	6.6	< 2.2	6.4	9.8
BA.4.6	< 1.5	< 1.8	< 3.0	< 4.2	5.8	< 2.2	6.2	9.4
BA.5.9	< 1.5	< 1.8	< 3.0	< 4.2	5.3	< 2.2	6.6	9.4
BQ.1.1	< 1.5	< 1.8	1.6	2.9	4.3	< 2.2	4.3	7.3
XBB	< 1.5	< 1.8	1.3	1.6	3.0	< 2.2	4.4	6.6
BF.7	< 1.5	< 1.8	2.9	3.7	5.3	< 2.2	5.9	9.5
BM.1.1	< 1.5	< 1.8	1.9	2.3	3.1	< 2.2	4.9	< 7.8
BN.1	< 1.5	< 1.8	3.2	3.0	3.4	< 2.2	5.2	< 7.8
CH.1	< 1.5	< 1.8	1.5	1.7	2.7	< 2.2	3.6	5.7

Table S2: Ranking of fitness models. Related to Figure 3.

We compare the full fitness model used in the main text (VAC+INF: vaccination + infection + intrinsic selection) with partial models (INF: infection + intrinsic selection, VAC: vaccination + intrinsic selection), and a null model (0: intrinsic selection only). Columns from left to right: vaccination parameter, γ_{vac} , ML values with 95% confidence intervals (γ_1 for Alpha–Delta, γ_2 for all later shifts); infection weight parameter, b , ML values with 95% confidence intervals (b_1 for shifts up to BA.2, b_2 for BA.2–BA.4/5, b_3 for BA.4/5–BQ.1); log likelihood score difference to the null model, ΔL ; BIC score difference to the null model, ΔH . The likelihood scores are reported separately for the early shifts (1 to BA.1) and for all shifts (1 to BQ.1).

model	antigenic parameters					scores (early shifts)		scores (all shifts)	
	γ_1	γ_2	b_1	b_2	b_3	ΔL	ΔH	ΔL	ΔH
VAC+INF	1.22 ± 0.03	0.28 ± 0.01	2.4 ± 0.5	5.6 ± 1.0	6.4 ± 1.0	950	-1883	1830	-3638
INF	9.7	-	0.11	0.26	0.3	392	-773	1255	-2492
VAC	1.22	0.42	-	-	-	876	-1741	-3826	7662
0	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	0

Table S3: Intrinsic and antigenic selection components. Related to Figure 3.

Selection coefficients between the invading and the ancestral variant, $s = f_{\text{inv}} - f_{\text{anc}}$, and their decomposition into antigenic and intrinsic components are inferred for the full fitness model; all values are time averages for each clade shift. Rows from top to bottom: major clade shifts from 1 to BQ.1. Columns from left to right: average antigenic selection in immune classes of infection ($k = \text{Alpha, ..., BA.4/5}$) and vaccination ($k = \text{vac, bst, biv}$); intrinsic selection (s_0); total selection (s). Selection coefficients are given in units [10^{-2}d^{-1}]; the symbol “<” marks values $s < 0.01\text{d}^{-1}$. We list ML values with 95% confidence intervals (for selection components) or with rms cross-region variation of selection (for the total selection, s).

clade shift	selection coefficients									
	Alpha	Delta	BA.1	BA.2	BA.4/5	vac	bst	biv	s_0	s
1–Alpha	<	-	-	-	-	<	-	-	$8 \pm .1$	8 ± 1
Alpha–Delta	$1 \pm .1$	<	-	-	-	-	$4 \pm .2$	-	$4 \pm .2$	9 ± 2
Delta–BA.1	<	$2 \pm .6$	$-1 \pm .2$	-	-	6 ± 1	$-1 \pm .2$	-	6 ± 1	13 ± 2
BA.1–BA.2	<	<	$1 \pm .4$	<	-	<	$-1 \pm .5$	-	$8 \pm .2$	8 ± 1
BA.2–BA.4/5	<	<	$3 \pm .2$	$3 \pm .2$	<	<	$3 \pm .6$	-	<	8 ± 1
BA.4/5–BQ.1	<	<	<	$1 \pm .2$	$2 \pm .2$	<	$1 \pm .5$	<	<	$5 \pm .3$