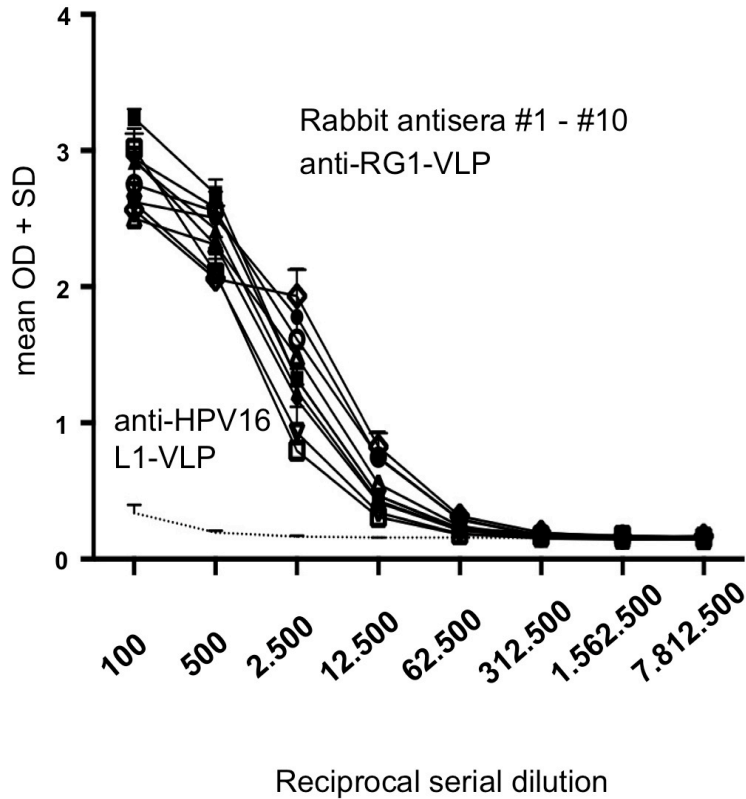


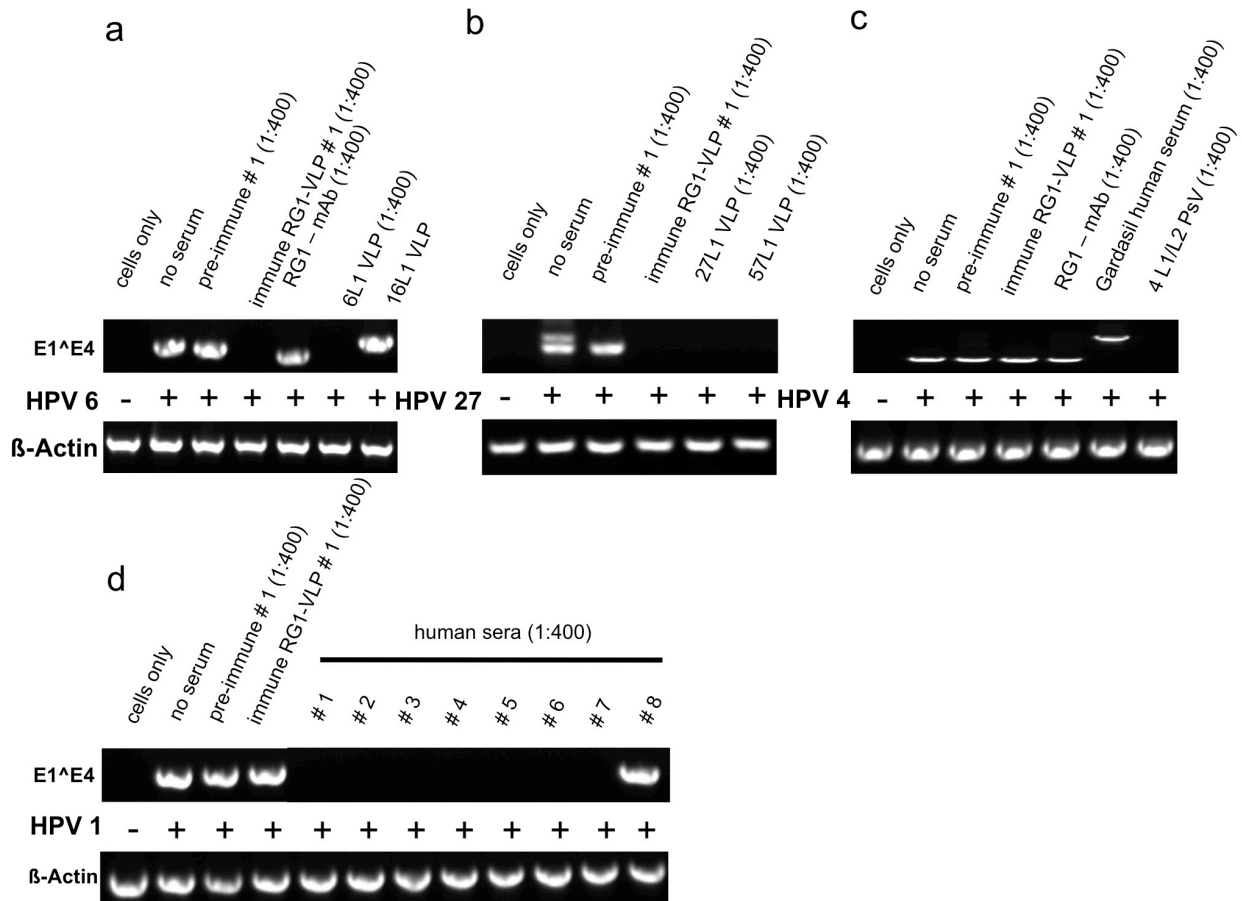
Supplementary Material

1. Supplementary Data









HPV16 L2 peptide ELISA

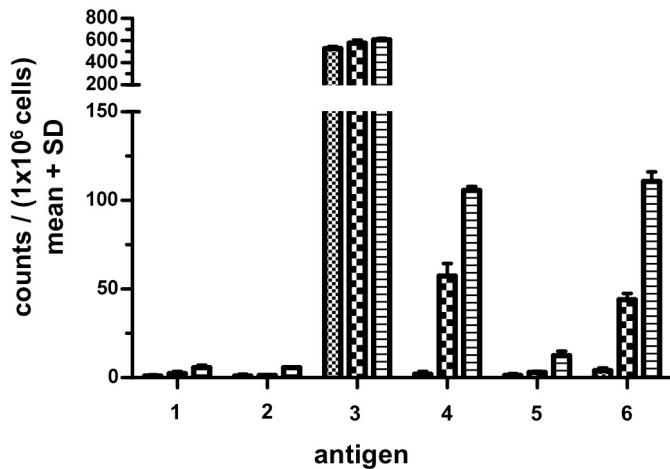
Ten NZW rabbits were immunized with either 50 μ g RG1-VLP, week 0, 4, 6 and 8 (n=6); or 20 μ g of RG1-VLP, week 0, 3, 6 (n=4) using Alum-MPL adjuvant. Antisera drawn two weeks after the last boost were serially diluted 5-fold and tested in triplicates by ELISA using bacterially expressed HPV16 L2-protein (aa 11-200) as antigen. End-point dilution revealed robust ELISA titers of 2,500-12,000 in all animals vaccinated with RG1-VLP, regardless of immunization scheme. In contrast, a serum from an HPV16 L1-VLP vaccinated animal showed no reactivity against L2. Data are shown as mean OD+SD.



In vitro RT-PCR neutralization assays using native mucosal Ir HPV6, or cutaneous HPV27, HPV4, or HPV1 virions

Type-specific neutralizing anti-L1 VLP antisera (HPV6, 27) or anti L1-L2 PsV antiserum (HPV4), were used as respective controls. Sera of 8 pre-pubertal girls (#1-#8) were used as controls in the HPV1 assay, as a type-specific neutralizing serum was not available.

Immunization	Antigen
	1, serum
	2, scrambled peptide
	3, SEA
	4, 16L1 (aa 165-173)
	5, RG1 (aa 17-36)
	6, 16L1 (aa 165-173) + RG1



INF- γ ELISPOT assay detecting cytotoxic T-cell responses to vaccination with RG1-VLP

Female C57/BL6 mice (3 x 3) were vaccinated with 2 μ g of HPV16 L1-VLP, RG1-VLP, or PBS, respectively. Isolated splenocytes were stimulated with serum (1), scrambled peptide (2), SEA (3), HPV16 L1 peptide (aa 165-173) (4), HPV16 L2 RG1 peptide (aa 17-36) (5), or HPV16 L1 plus RG1 peptides combined (6). Spots representing IFN- γ producing cells were counted and results expressed as mean number/10⁶ cells + SD of triplicate cultures.

Neutralizing titer (over time)						
Week (Immunizations)	# 1			# 2		
	10 (4)	52 (4)	54 (5)	10 (4)	52 (4)	54 (5)
Pseudovirions						
HPV 16	100,000	1,000	100,000	100,000	1,000	100,000
HPV 18	1,000	50	1,000	1,000	100	1,000
HPV 31	10,000	100	1,000	1,000	100	10,000
HPV 45	1,000	<25	1,000	100	100	1,000
HPV 52	100	<25	1,000	50	<25	50
HPV 58	1,000	<25	10,000	1,000	100	1,000
HPV 6	100	<25	1000	50	<25	100
HPV 5	100	<25	1,000	50	<25	100

RG1-VLP induced cross-neutralizing antibody titers over time (12 months)

Two NZW rabbits (#1 and #2) were kept for additional 10 months following the 4th immunization with RG1-VLP in Alum-MPL. Sera were drawn before and two weeks after a 5th injection at week 52 with 50µg of antigen plus Alum-MPL, and tested by PBNA for indicated types. Serum titers are shown and compared to sera obtained at week 10 as indicated.

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Enzyme-linked Immunosorbent Assays (ELISA)

L2-specific serum titers were determined using His-tagged HPV16 L2 aa 11-200 polypeptide as ELISA antigen (Schellenbacher *et al.*, 2009).

Pseudovirion-based Neutralization Assay (PBNA)

Production of PsV and PsV-based neutralization assays (PBNA) were carried out as described (<http://home.ccr.cancer.gov/lco/protocols.asp>) with minor modifications (Schellenbacher *et al.*, 2009).

Pseudovirion (PsV) Plasmids

Packaging plasmids for HPV16, 18, 45, 5, 6 and BPV were provided by J. Schiller, NIH, Bethesda (plasmid maps and references: <http://home.ccr.cancer.gov/Lco/plasmids.asp>); HPV31, 52 and 58 by T. Kanda, NIID, Tokyo (Kondo *et al.*, 2008), HPV11 (Mossadegh *et al.*, 2004) by M. Müller, DKFZ, Heidelberg.

Plasmids for HPV38 (Faust *et al.*, 2010) and HPV3, 32, 33, 68, 76 (Faust *et al.*, 2013) were provided by J. Dillner, Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm; HPV18, 45, 31, 33, 52, 58, 35, 39, 51, 56, 59, 73, 68, 26, 53, 66, 34, 69, 70 by R. Roden, JHU, Baltimore (manuscript in preparation, Kwak *et al.*); HPV4 PsV were generated by codon modification of NCBI reference sequence NC001457.1 as described by Buck *et al.* (<http://home.ccr.cancer.gov/lco/codonmodification.htm>). "As-different-as-possible" altered L1 and L2 sequences were synthesized (Invivogen) and cloned into expression vector pVITRO1-neo-mcs. For PsV plasmids of HPV5, 6, 11, 16, 18, 31, 45, 52, 58 and CRPV) one may be referred to Schellenbacher *et al.* (Schellenbacher *et al.*, 2009).

Target Plasmids: pYSEAP (encoding for secreted-alkaline phosphatase) and pCLucf (encoding firefly luciferase) were generously provided by J. Schiller and C. Buck, NIH, Bethesda.

Enzyme-Linked Immuno Spot (ELISPOT) assays

C57BL/6 mice (3 groups of 3) were primed (day 0) and boosted (day 10) s.c. with 2 μ g HPV16 L1-VLP, RG1-VLP, or PBS control. Spleens and sera were isolated day 20. Splenic single-cell suspensions were obtained by mechanical dissociation and 10⁶ cells/well added onto 96-well plates with nitrocellulose base (Millipore), pre-coated with interferon-gamma (IFN- γ) capture antibody. Cells were incubated for 24 hours in the presence of serum (1), 5 μ M scrambled control peptide (YVRFQRLEHHHHHH) (2), 2 μ g/ml *S. aureus* enterotoxin A (SEA) (Sigma) (3), 5 μ M HPV16L1 peptide aa 165-173 (AGVDNRECI, a described CTL epitope (Ohlschlager *et al.*, 2003)) (4), 5 μ M RG1 peptide (QLYKTCKQAGTCCPPDIIPKV) (5), or 2,5 μ M HPV16L1 plus 2,5 μ M RG1 peptides combined (6) (Severn Biotech). Following addition of biotinylated anti-IFN- γ mAb and avidin-HRP, spots representing IFN- γ producing cells of duplicate cultures were counted (mean + SD).

RT-PCR Primer Pairs

outside: upstream (UO), downstream (DO); inside: upstream (UI), downstream (DI)

1. HPV1

UO: 5' -GATCTGGGCAAAGCAACTC-3'

DO: 5' -GCTTCCTGTGCCTATTGCGAG-3'

UI: 5' -GCACTACCTATCCTCTCGG-3'

DI: 5' -CGATTGACCGTCCTCGCGG-3'

2. HPV2

UO: 5' -CTCTTGTCAGGAACTCTGTACG-3'

DO: 5' -GGGTGGTAACTACCTGCTG-3'

UI: 5' -CCCACCCGCCAGTGCCAC-3'

DI: 5' -CAGAACCGTCCGGCTGGTGG-3'

3. HPV4

UO: 5' -GCGTCTCTTTGGTCAGTGCTATC-3'

DO: 5' -GAGTCGGTGGTTCCATTTAG-3'

UI: 5' -GTGAGCAATCTCCAACCCAGTTC-3'

DI: 5' -CATTGTATGCTGCTGAGCTCG-3'

4. HPV6

UO: 5' -CGGGACAGTAACACACAAGTAGAG-3'

DO: 5' -TGCAACAGCTTCTGTTGGGAACAC-3'

UI: 5' -G TTCCTGCAGCTATTTGTACAGG-3'

DI: 5' -ACATAGTGTGTCCCATCTGCG-3'

5. HPV26

UO: 5' -GGTCACTACTCGTGTCC-3'

DO: 5' -GGAAGACGTGTCCTTGG-3'

UI: 5' -GTGATGGCCTCCACTTG-3'

DI: 5' -GCCATCAGTGTGCTGC-3'

6. HPV27

UO: 5' -CACTGGTGTACCACACTGTCAC-3'

DO: 5' -GCCTACGGGGTGGTAACAAC-3'

UI: 5' -CACGTGGAGGACACCCTGTC-3'

DI: 5' -GTGCGGACCAGAAGACATAAG-3'

7. HPV40

UO: 5' -GGCGTGCGTGTCTGTCT-3'

DO: 5' -GGGCACATTACATATAGTGT-3'

UI: 5' -TGCCCACAGTAGTGGTGAT-3'

DI: 5' -CCCCAACTGTGCAGCTACA-3'

3, L2 RG1 Epitope AA Sequence Homology

L2 (RG1) homology motifs (RG1*: HPV16 L2 aa 17-36)	PV	Homology with RG1 (%)	Neutralization by antiserum to RG1-VLP (in vitro / in vivo)
QLYKTCKQAGTCCPDIIIPKV*	HPV 16	100	in vivo
QLYKTCKQAGTCCPDVIPKV	HPV 73	95	in vivo
QLYKTCKQSGTCCPDIIIPKV	HPV 34	95	in vivo
DLYRTCKQAGTCCPDVIPKV	BPV 1	85	in vitro
DLYRTCKQAGTCCPDIIIPR	HPV 2	85	in vitro
DLYRTCKQAGTCCPDIIIPRL	HPV 27	85	in vitro
DLYRTCKQAGTCCPDIIIPRV	HPV 57	85	
QLYRTCKAAGTCCPDVIPKV	HPV 35	85	in vivo
QLYQTCKAAGTCCPDVIPKV	HPV 67	85	
QLYRTCKAAGTCCPDVIPKV	HPV 3	85	in vitro
ELYKTCKAAGTCCPDVIPKV	HPV 77	85	
QLYRTCKAAGTCCPDVIPKV	HPV 28	85	
ELYKTCKVAGTCCPDVIPKV	HPV 29	85	
QLYSTCKAAGTCCPDVIPKV	HPV 82	85	
QLYQTCKAAGTCCPSDIIIPKV	HPV 44	85	in vivo
QLYQTCKAAGTCCPSDIIIPKV	HPV 55	85	
DLYKTCKQSGTCCPDVVPKV	HPV 18	80	in vivo
QLYRTCKASGTCCPDVIPKV	HPV 117	80	
QLYRTCKASGTCCPDVIPKV	HPV 94	80	
QLYRTCKASGTCCPDVIPKV	HPV 10	80	
ELYKTCKQSGTCCPDVINKV	HPV 68	80	
DLYRTCKAAGTCCPDVIPKV	HPV 102	80	
QLYQTCKASGTCCPDVIPKV	HPV 52	80	in vivo
QLYQTCKASGTCCPDVIPKV	HPV 58	80	in vivo
DLYKTCKQAGTCCPSDVINKV	HPV 59	80	in vivo
DLYKTCKAAGTCCPDVIPKI	HPV 69	80	
DLYKTCKAAGTCCPDVIPKI	HPV 26	80	in vivo
QLYQTCKASGTCCPDVIPKV	HPV 42	80	
QLYQTCKASGTCCPDVIPKV	HPV 13	80	

QLYQTCKLTGTCPDVIPKV	HPV 6	80	in vivo
QLYQTCKATGTCPDVIPKV	HPV 11	80	in vitro
QLYQTCKATGTCPDVIPKV	HPV 33	80	in vivo
QLYSTCKAAGTCPDVVNKV	HPV 51	80	in vivo
HIYQTCKQAGTCPDVIKIV	HPV 8	75	
QLYQTCKAAGTCPDVIKIV	HPV 31	75	in vivo
DLYRTCKQSGTCPDVIKIV	HPV 45	75	in vivo
QLYQTCKASGTCPDVIKIV	HPV 32	75	in vitro
HIYQTCKQAGTCPDVIKIV	HPV 5	75	in vitro
HIYQTCKQAGTCPDVIKIV	HPV 8	75	
NIYRTCKQAGTCPDVIKIV	HPV 19	75	
NIYRTCKQAGTCPDVIKIV	HPV 14	75	
NIYRTCKQAGTCPDVIKIV	HPV 20	75	
NIYRTCKQAGTCPDVIKIV	HPV 21	75	
NIYRTCKQAGTCPDVIKIV	HPV 24	75	
QLYKTCKLSGTCPDVIKIV	HPV 66	75	
DIYKGCKAAGTCPDVIKIV	HPV 107	75	
QLYQTCKAAGTCPDVVNKV	HPV 7	75	
DIYRGCKQAGTCPDVIKIV	HPV 80	70	
DIYRGCKQAGTCPDVIKIV	HPV 17	70	
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HIYQTCKQAGTCPDVVNKV	HPV 36	70	
DIYRGCKQAGTCPDVIKIV	HPV 37	70	
NIYRTCKQAGTCPTDVIKIV	HPV 93	70	
NIYRTCKQAGTCPTDVIKIV	HPV 93	70	
QLYQTCKQSGTCPDVIKIV	HPV 53	70	
DLYRTCKQSGTCPDVKV	HPV 39	70	
HIYQTCKQAGTCPDVLNKV	HPV 12	70	
HIYQTCKQAGTCPDVVNKV	HPV 47	65	
NIYRTCKQAGNCPDVVNKV	HPV 49	65	
NIYRTCKAAGTCPDVVNKV	HPV 92	65	
NIYRGCKAAGTCPDVIKIV	HPV 96	65	
DIYKGCKASGTCPDVIKIV	HPV 22	65	
DIYKGCKASGTCPDVLNKV	HPV 23	65	

QLYKTCKLSGTCPEDVVNKI	HPV 56	65	in vivo
DIYRGCKAAGTCPPDVINKV	HPV 9	65	
DIYRGCKQAGTCPPDVLNKV	HPV 15	65	
HIYQSCKAAGTCPPDVVNKV	HPV 75	60	
HIYQSCKAAGTCPPDVLNKV	HPV 76	60	in vitro
DIYRGCKASNTCPPDVINKV	HPV 38	55	∅
DIYPSCKISNTCPPDIQNKI	HPV 1	50	∅
NLYAKCQLSGNCLPDVKNKV	HPV 4	50	∅

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