

Table. S1. List of recombinant plasmids and bacterial strains used in this study

Plasmids	Genotype	Source
1. pQE30	Amp ^r , <i>E. coli</i> expression vector	Qiagen
2. pRM1	pQE30 plasmid containing 288-bp <i>esxA</i>	This study
3. pRM2	pQE30 plasmid containing 978-bp <i>fbpB</i>	This study
4. pRM3	pQE30 plasmid containing 1.27 Kb <i>fbpB-esxA</i> fusion fragment	This study
5. pMW1	pQE30 plasmid containing 2.2 Kb protective antigen of <i>Bacillus anthracis</i> (<i>pag</i>)	(1)
Bacterial strains	Genotype	Source
1. <i>Mycobacterium tuberculosis</i> H37Rv	Wild type (WT)	ATCC
2. <i>E. coli</i> M15	F ⁻ , Φ 80 Δ lacM15, <i>thi</i> , <i>lac</i> ⁻ , <i>mtl</i> , <i>recA</i> ⁺ , Km ^R containing pREP4 plasmid	Qiagen
3. RM1	<i>E. coli</i> M15 transformed with pRM1	This study
4. RM2	<i>E. coli</i> M15 transformed with pRM2	This study
5. RM3	<i>E. coli</i> M15 transformed with pRM3	This study
6. MW1	<i>E. coli</i> M15 transformed with pMW1	This study

Table. S2. GC-MS peak report total ion chromatogram (TIC) of Mtb PLG

Peak No.	R.Time	Area	Area %	Name
1	12.765	588569	2.36	N-(4,4-DICYANO-3-PHENYL-1,3-BUTADIENYL) N,2,2-TRIMETHYLPROPANAMIDE
2	13.744	1533527	6.15	N-(4,4-DICYANO-3-PHENYL-1,3-BUTADIENYL)-N,2,2-TRIMETHYLPROPANAMIDE
3	13.993	448890	1.80	N-(4,4-DICYANO-3-PHENYL-1,3-BUTADIENYL)-N,2,2-TRIMETHYLPROPANAMIDE
4	14.637	1146314	4.60	CHROMIUM, PENTACARBONYL[1-(DIETHYLAMINO)-2 METHYL-3-PHENYL-3-(2-PROPENYLTHIO)-2 PROPENYLIDENE]
5	16.658	527463	2.12	Diethyl Phthalate
6	17.154	366835	1.47	HEPTANE, 3,5-DIMETHYL- 3,5DIMETHYLHEPTANE
7	18.497	544867	2.19	D-Glutamic acid, N-(pentafluoropropionyl)-, di(isopropyl) ester
8	18.821	16184993	64.96	HEPTAFLUOROBUTYRYL-ISOBUTYL DERIVATIVE OF GLUTAMIC ACID
9	20.410	939548	3.77	1,2-Benzenedicarboxylic acid, bis(2-methylpropyl) ester
10	22.524	643281	2.58	TRICOSANE
11	22.673	479557	1.92	Palmitic Acid, TMS derivative
12	24.033	1513100	6.07	Benzenemethanol, .alpha.,.alpha.-diphenyl

Figure S1: Authenticity and purity of antigens used in this study

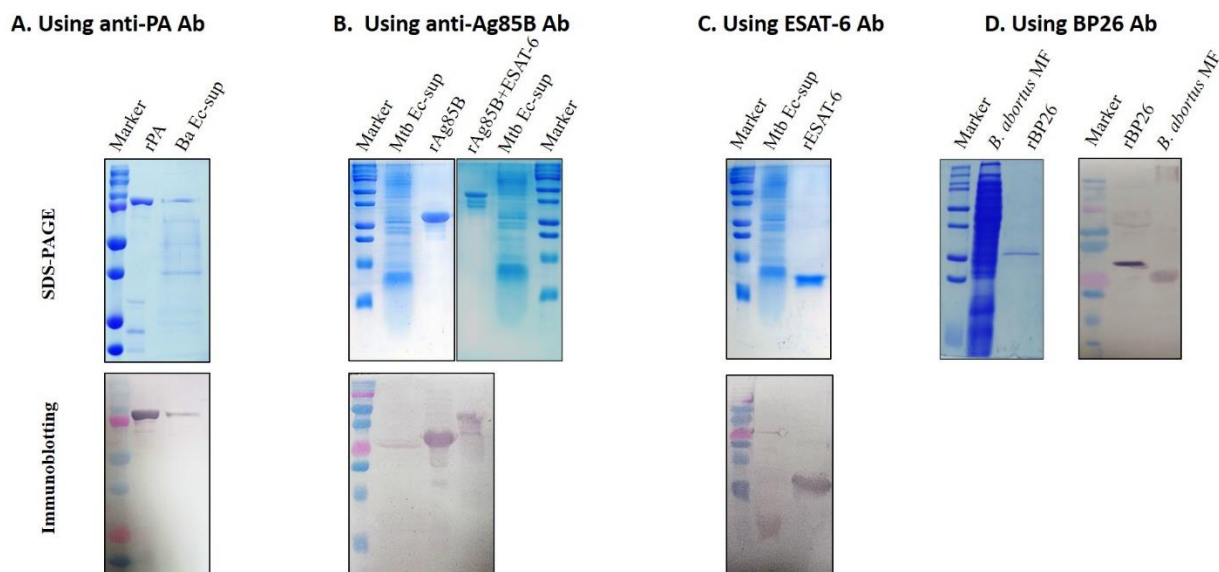


Figure S1. The authenticity and purity of the antigens used in this study, was ascertained by SDS-PAGE and immunoblotting analysis of the recombinant proteins alongside their native forms as positive controls. For immunoblotting, antibodies were raised in mice against the respective recombinant protein with multiple boosters. **A.** SDS-PAGE and immunoblotting analysis using anti-PA antibodies. rPA: recombinant PA expressed in *E. coli*, Ba Ec-sup: *Bacillus anthracis* cell culture supernatant. **B.** SDS-PAGE and immunoblotting analysis using anti-Ag85B antibodies. Mtb Ec-sup: Mycobacterium tuberculosis extracellular supernatant (culture filtrate), rAg85B: recombinant Ag85B expressed in *E. coli*, rAg85B-ESAT-6: a chimeric fusion of Ag85B and ESAT-6 antigens expressed in *E. coli*. **C.** SDS-PAGE and immunoblotting analysis using anti-ESAT-6 antibodies. rESAT-6: recombinant ESAT-6 antigen expressed in *E. coli* and **D.** SDS-PAGE and immunoblotting analysis using anti-BP26 antibodies. rBP26: recombinant BP26 antigen of *Brucella abortus*, expressed in *E. coli*, *B. abortus* MF: purified membrane fraction of *B. abortus*.

References

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