

## **Supplementary Figures**

## A Patients included in the pre and post DAA analysis

N	Geno	Cirrhosis present	Previous Treatment	Current Treatment	HCV PCR negative	1 <sup>st</sup> Timepoint	2 <sup>nd</sup> timepoint	HLADR	Best association tetramer/allele
261	1b	Y	IFN, PI	S+L+riba	TW4	3mth pre	3mth post	DRB1*01,03	14
383	1	Y	IFN	S+L+riba	TW8	11mth pre	1mth post	DRB1*07	24
402	1	Y	IFNx2, PI	S+L+riba	TW6	7mth pre	3mth post	DRB1*01	14
890	1	Y	IFN	S+L+riba	TW4	6mth pre	1mth post	DRB1*03,07	24
895	1b	Y	IFNx2, PI	S+L+riba	TW8	1mth pre	3mth post	DRB1*15	17,18,19
913	1a	Y	IFN	S+L+riba	TW8	6mth pre	3mth post	DRB1*04,15	17,18,19
996	1	Y	IFNx2, PI	S+L+riba	TW4	12mth pre	1mth post	DRB1*04	15,20,21
1119	1a	Y	Nil	S+L+riba	TW4	12mth pre	1mth post	DRB1*01	14
191	1	Y	IFNx2, PI	S+L+riba	TW4	4mth pre	6mth post	DRB1*07	24
185	3	N	Nil	S+L+riba	TW8	48mth pre	0mth post(EOT)	DRB1*07,15	17,18,19
202	1b	N	IFN	O+P+R+D	TW8	0mth pre(SOT)	0mth post(EOT)	DRB1*07	24
722	3	Y	IFN	S+V	TW8	0mth pre(SOT)	0mth post(EOT)	DRB1*01,15	14
736	3	N	IFN	S+IFN+riba	TW8	6mth pre	3mth post	DRB1*03,15	17,18,19
820	1b	N	IFN	S+L+riba	TW8	0mth pre(SOT)	0mth post(EOT)	DRB1*04	15,20,21
950	1a	N	Nil	S+L+riba	TW8	0mth pre(SOT)	1mth post	DRB1*04	15,20,21
984	1a	N	IFN	S+L+riba	TW4	0mth pre(SOT)	0mth post(EOT)	DRB1*01	14
1164	1	Y(T)	Nil	S+L+riba	TW4	6mth pre	0mth post(EOT)	DRB1*03,04	15,20,21
1215	3a	YN	IFN	S+IFN+riba	TW4	6mth pre	3mth post	DRB1*04	15,20,21
238	3	N	IFN	S+IFN+riba	TW4	1mth pre	0mth post(EOT)	DRB1*03,07	24
780	1	Y	IFN, PI	S+L+riba	TW8	6mth pre	3mth post	DRB1*15	17,18,19
1087	3	N	IFNx2	S+V	TW2	12 mth pre	3 mth post	DRB1*07	24

## B Chronic HCV patients included in the phenotypic analysis (Surface and TF markers)

N	Geno	Cirrhosis present	HLADR	Best association tetramer/allele
1065	1b	Y	DRB1*01,15	14
876	1a	Y	DRB1*07	24
1262	1b	Y(T)	DRB1*01	14
638	1a	Y	DRB1*04,07	24
1247	1a	Y	DRB1*07	24
648	1	na	DRB1*15	17,18,19
1254	1a	Y(T)	DRB1*15	17,18,19
127	1	N	DRB1*04,07	24
191	1	Y	DRB1*07	24
402°	1	Y	DRB1*01	14
736°	3	N	DRB1*03,15	17,18,19
890°	1	Y	DRB1*03,07	24
1164°	1	Y(T)	DRB1*03,04	15,20,21
261°	1b	Y	DRB1*01,03	14
820°	1b	N	DRB1*04	15,20,21
913°	1a	Y	DRB1*04,15	17,18,19
950°	1a	N	DRB1*04	15,20,21
996°	1	Y	DRB1*04	15,20,21
202°	1b	N	DRB1*07	24
984°	1a	N	DRB1*01	14

### C Vaccine volunteers (*ex-vivo*)

Trial number	Prime	Boost	EOT	HLA-DR	Tetramer
HCV003333 <sup>^^</sup>	TW2	TW9	TW32	DRB1*01	14
HCV003335 <sup>^^</sup>	TW2	TW12	TW32	DRB1*04, *15	15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21
HCV003343 <sup>^</sup>	TW2	TW12	TW34	DRB1*01	14
HCV003345 <sup>^</sup>	TW2	TW9	TW34	DRB1*04, *15	15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21
HCV003347 <sup>**</sup>	TW4	TW12	TW34	DRB1*15	17, 18, 19
HCV003374 <sup>***</sup>	TW4	TW9	TW34	DRB1*01	14
PEA-04009	TW2	TW9	TW34	DRB1*01	14
PEA-04011	TW4	TW12	TW34	DRB1*15	17, 18, 19
PEA-04014	TW2	TW9	TW34	DRB1*15	17, 18, 19
PEA-04028	TW2	TW9	TW34	DRB1*15	17, 18, 19

### D Vaccine volunteers (*in vitro*)

Trial number	Time point	Vaccination schedule	HLA-DR	Tetramer
HCV003333 <sup>^</sup>	TW9	AdCh3 (TW0) / MVA (TW8)	DRB1*01	14
HCV003335 <sup>^</sup>	TW12	AdCh3 (TW0) / MVA (TW8)	DRB1*04, *15	15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21
HCV003337 <sup>^</sup>	TW32	AdCh3 (TW0) / MVA (TW8)	DRB1*04	15, 20, 21
HCV003339	TW48	AdCh3 (TW0) / MVA (TW8) / MVA (TW40)	DRB1*07	22, 24, 29
HCV003343	TW18	AdCh3 (TW0) / MVA (TW8) / MVA (TW40)	DRB1*01	14

### E Spontaneous resolvers individuals

Cohort number	Year of HCV Transmission	HLA-DR	Tetramer
SR3	Unknown	DRB1*01, *04	14, 15, 20, 21
SR4	1980's	DRB1*03, *15	17, 18, 19
SR8	Unknown	DRB1*07	22, 27, 29
SR9	1970's	DRB1*07	22, 27, 29
SR10	1980's	DRB1*15	17, 18, 19
SR11	Unknown	DRB1*04	15, 20, 21
SR13	Unknown	DRB1*15	17, 18, 19
SR14	2000's	DRB1*07, *15	17, 18, 19, 22, 27, 29
SR16	1990's	DRB1*01, *07	14, 22, 27, 29
SR17	1990's	DRB1*15	17, 18, 19

#### Supplementary Figure 1: List of participants in three analysed cohorts.

A) Characteristics of patients included in pre and post DAA analysis. N=cohort number, Geno=genotype, Y=yes, N=no, T0=liver transplant, IFN= interferon therapy, Riba=oral ribavirin, PI= protease inhibitor (telaprevir, boceprevir), S=sofosbuvir, L=ledipasvir, V=velpatasvir, O=ombitasvir, P=paritaprevir, R=ritonavir, D=dasabuvir. TW=treatment week, EOT= end of treatment, SOT=start of treatment.

B) Chronic HCV patients included in the phenotypic analysis. ° indicates that some patients included in the table B subsequently received a DAA treatment and are also included in table A, N/A= not available.

C) Vaccine trial volunteers used in *ex-vivo* tetramer analysis. Healthy volunteers vaccinated with AdCh3 NSmut1  $2.5 \times 10^{10}$  vp (prime vaccine) and MVA-NSmut  $2 \times 10^8$  pfu,  $2 \times 10^7$  pfu (\*\*\*) or  $2 \times 10^6$  pfu (\*\*) (boost vaccine). ^volunteers received an additional MVA at week 40. ^^volunteers received an additional round of AdCh3/MVA 21 months earlier

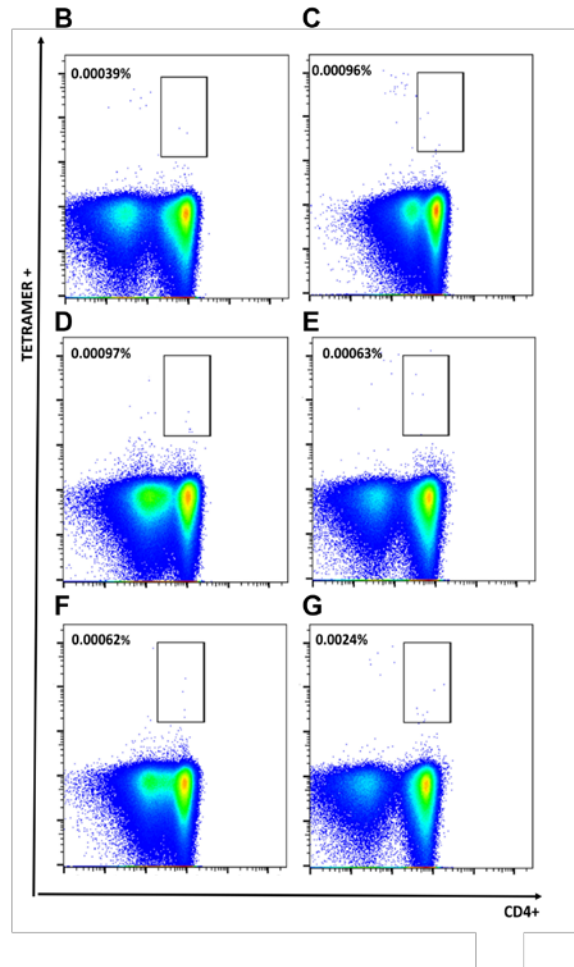
*(HCV003333) and 11 months earlier (HCV003335). Note 'baseline' in these samples was prior to first vaccination round.*

*D) Vaccine trial volunteers used in in-vitro cell line analysis. Healthy volunteers vaccinated with AdCh3/MVA as per above schedule. ^volunteers received previous vaccination with AdCh3/MVA 21 months prior (HCV003333) and 11 months prior (HCV003335, HCV003337).*

*E) Characteristics of individuals with spontaneous HCV clearance. Volunteers recruited based on being HCV antibody positive, HCV PCR negative, the absence of previous HCV treatment and HLA matching to the MHC Class II tetramer panel*

**A**

N	Protein	Position	Peptide Sequence	HLA restriction
14	NS4b	1806-1818	TLLFNILGGWVAA	DRB1*0101
15	NS3	1248-1262	GYKVLVLNPSVAATL	DRB1*0401
17	NS3	1582-1597	NFPYLVAYQATVCARA	DRB1*1501
18	NS3	1411-1425	GINAVAYYRGLDVSV	DRB1*1501
19	NS3	1535-1551	TTVRLRAYMNTPLPVC	DRB1*1501
20	NS4b	1771-1790	SGIQYLAGLSTLPGNPAIASL	DRB1*0401
21	NS4b	1773-1790	QYLAGLSTLPGNPAIASL	DRB1*0404
22	NS2	794-810	WPLLLLLLALPQRAYAQ	DRB1*0701
24	NS3	1535-1551	TTVRLRAYMNTPLPVC	DRB1*0701
25	NS5b	66-81	VYYLTRDPTPLARAA	DRB1*0301
29	NS5a	1957-1975	SLTITSLRRHNWITSCS	DRB1*0701



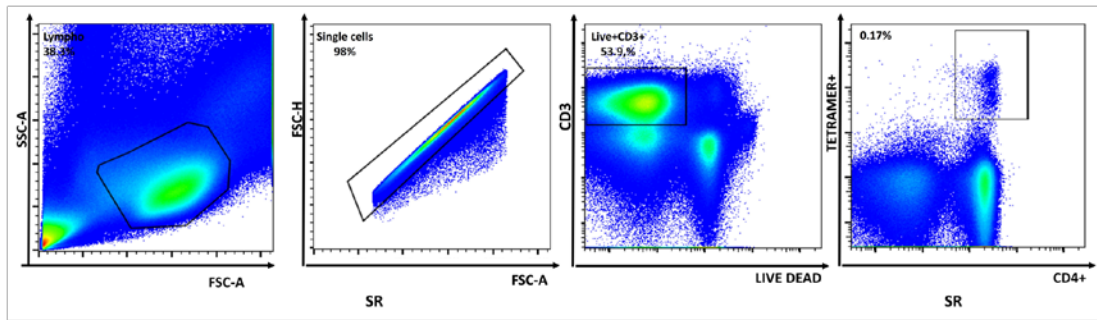
**Supplementary Figure 2: List of MHC class II tetramers**

A) List of MHC class II tetramers encoding immunodominant epitopes IN NS region restricted for specific HLA type. Assigned tetramer number (N), sequence and HLA specificity. B) MHC class II tetramer 14- HLA matched; C) MHC class II tetramer 14- HLA mismatched; D) MHC class II tetramer 17- HLA matched; E) MHC class II tetramer 17- HLA mismatched; F) MHC class II tetramer 24- HLA matched; G) MHC class II tetramer 24- HLA mismatched.

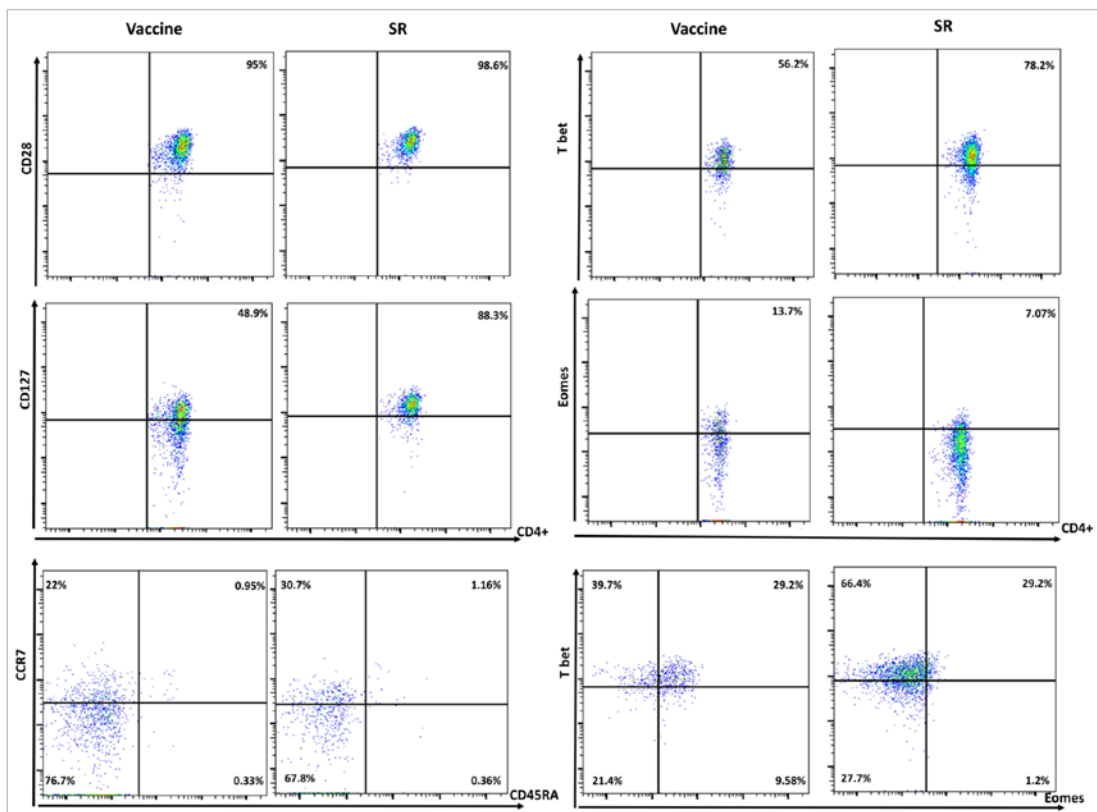
Antibody	Fluorochrome	Concentration	Clone
<b>Cell surface and intranuclear panel</b>			
CD3	BV570	1:100	UCHT1
CD4	AF700	1:100	RPA-T4
CD127	PB	1:100	A019D5
CD28	PerCP-Cy5.5	1:50	CD28.2
CCR7	PE-Cy7	1:50	
CD45RA	APC	1:50	HI100
CD14	APC-Cy7	1:100	HCD14
CD19	APC-Cy7	1:100	HIB19
Tbet	PerCP-Cy5.5	1:50	eBio4B10
Eomes	PE-Cy7	1:50	WD1928
Tetramer	PE	1:100	
Live dead	APC-Cy7	1:1000	
<b>ICS Panel</b>			
CD3	BV570	1:100	UCHT1
CD4	BV421	1:100	OKT4
CD8	PerCP-Cy5.5	1:100	SK1
IFN- $\gamma$	AF700	1:50	B27
TNF- $\alpha$	PE-Cy7	1:25	
IL-2	APC	1:25	
MIP-1 $\beta$	PE	1:50	
Live/dead	APC-Cy7	1:1000	

**Supplementary Figure 3: List of antibodies used in FACS experiments**

**A**



**B**

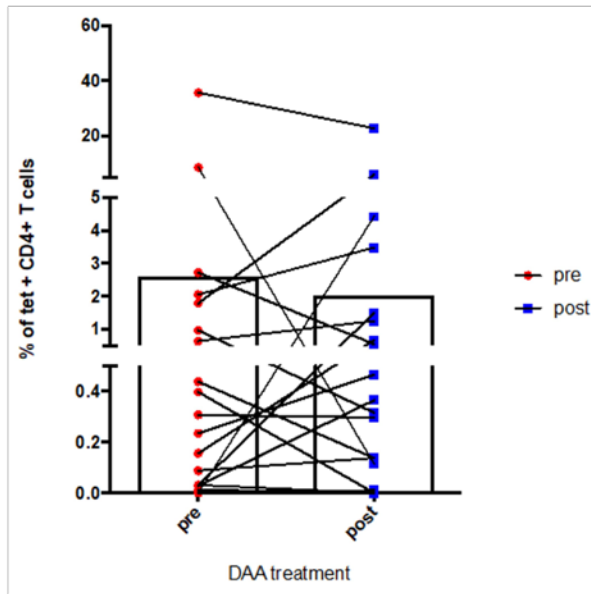


**Supplementary Figure 4: FACS plot surface and intranuclear markers on tetramer + CD4+ T cells.**

*A) Gating strategy used to identify MHC Class II tetramer positive CD4+ T cells.*

*B) Example gating of cell surface and intranuclear markers used in vaccine (left column) at boost and SR (right column) samples.*

**A Comparison of tetramer positive CD4+ T cells pre-DAA vs post-DAA therapy**



**B Subgroup analysis of patients with >2-fold increase of tetramer positive CD4+ T cells vs <2-fold increase following DAA mediated HCV cure**

	<2-fold increase	>2-fold increase	P-value
Age (average)	58.6y	60.6y	p=NS
Genotype 1	9 (70%)	6 (75%)	p=NS
Genotype 3	4 (30%)	2 (25%)	p=NS
Cirrhosis present	6 (46%)	6 (75%)	p=NS
Neg RNA <8 wks	5 (41%)	6 (75%)	p=NS
Tbet	0.95	-0.53	p=NS
Eomes	-2.3	-1.61	p=NS
PD-1	1.1	2.7	p=NS
Foxp3	-0.74	0.47	p=NS

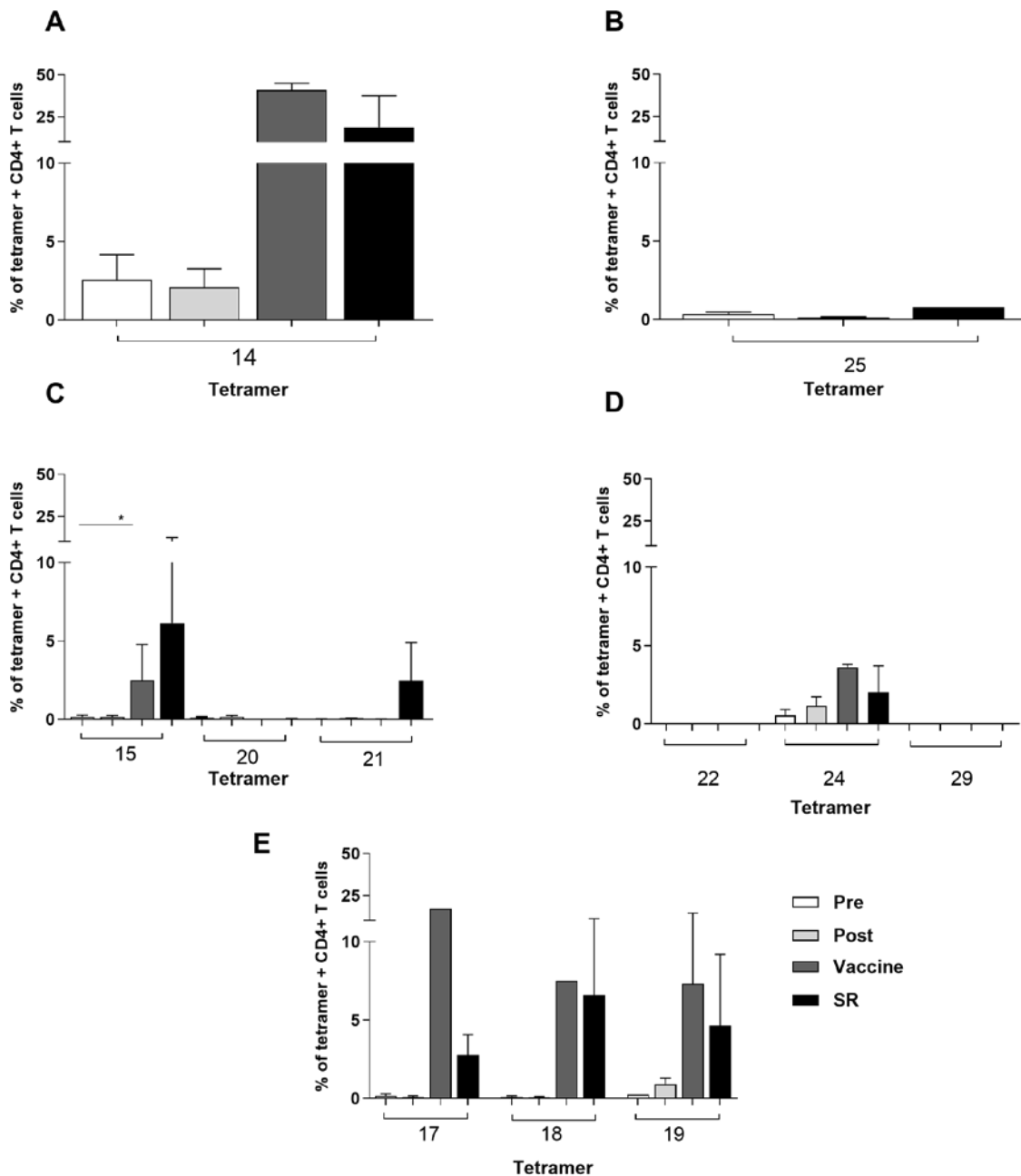
**C Subgroup analysis of patients with >2-fold decrease of tetramer positive CD4+ T cells vs <2-fold decrease following DAA mediated HCV cure**

	<2-fold decrease	>2-fold decrease	P-value
Age (average)	59.3y	59.3y	p=NS
Genotype 1	11 (73%)	4 (66%)	p=NS
Genotype 3	4 (27%)	2 (33%)	p=NS
Cirrhosis present	9 (60%)	3 (50%)	p=NS
Neg RNA <8 wks	8 (53%)	3 (50%)	p=NS
Tbet	-0.45	1.7	p=NS
Eomes	-0.7	-3.83	p=NS
PD-1	-0.47	-2.92	p=NS
Foxp3	-0.16	-0.89	p=NS

**Supplementary Figure 5 – DAA subgroup analysis**

A) PBMC's cultured with peptide matching tetramer sequence for 14 days. Pre = pre-DAA therapy (red circles), post = post-DAA therapy (blue squares). Mean shown.  
 B-C) PD-1, Tbet, Eomes and Foxp3 represented as change in expression in post-DAA – pre-DAA for individual samples, with average of individual sample changes represented. Unpaired T-tests used for significance testing.

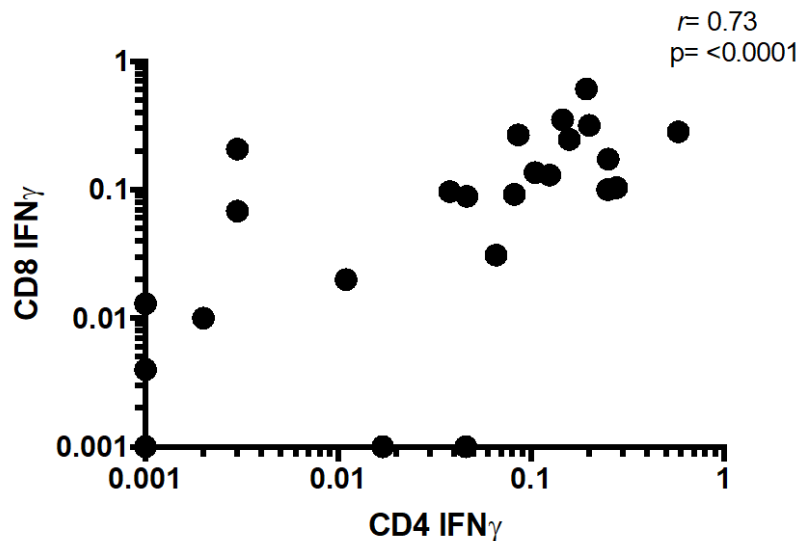




**Supplementary Figure 6: Comparison of individual tetramer magnitude following culture.**

PBMC derived from patients undergoing DAA treatment (pre-DAA = white bar, post-DAA = light grey bar), SR individuals (black bar) and vaccinated volunteers (dark grey bar). PBMCs were cultured for 14 days with peptide corresponding to tetramer sequence. Individuals tetramers are represented by HLA Class II restriction. A) DRB1\*01 restricted tetramer14 (NS3<sub>1806-1818</sub>), B) DRB1\*03 restricted tetramer 25 (NS5b<sub>66-81</sub>), C) DRB1\*04 restricted tetramer 15 (NS3<sub>1248-1263</sub>), 20 (NS4b<sub>1771-1790</sub>) and 21 (NS4b<sub>1775-1790</sub>), D) DRB1\*07 restricted tetramer 22 (NS2<sub>794-810</sub>), 24 (NS3<sub>1535-1551</sub>) and 29 (NS5a<sub>1957-1957</sub>), E) DRB1\*15 restricted tetramer 17 (NS3<sub>1582-1597</sub>), tetramer 18 (NS3<sub>1411-1425</sub>) and tetramer 19 (NS3<sub>1535-</sub>

1551). Error bars represent the standard error of mean (SEM). Only statistically differences are shown.



**Supplementary Figure 7: Correlation of CD4+ and CD8+ IFN $\gamma$  production in vaccine induced HCV specific T cells**

*Frozen PBMCs were cultured overnight with peptide and ICS analysis performed. IFN $\gamma$  production was measured at different time points following vaccination (following prime vaccination, boost vaccination and end of trial – note values not separated by time). Pearson correlation performed. (results derived from Hartnell et al, Front Immunol 2018)*