

Materials Design Analysis Reporting (MDAR) **Checklist for Authors**

The MDAR framework establishes a minimum set of requirements in transparent reporting applicable to studies in the life sciences (see Statement of Task: [doi:10.31222/osf.io/9sm4x](https://doi.org/10.31222/osf.io/9sm4x)). The MDAR checklist is a tool for authors, editors, and others seeking to adopt the MDAR framework for transparent reporting in manuscripts and other outputs. Please refer to the MDAR Elaboration Document for additional context for the MDAR framework.

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Materials:

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The manuscript includes a dedicated "materials availability statement" providing transparent disclosure about availability of newly created materials including details on how materials can be accessed and describing any restrictions on access.	Page 15 (Data and materials availability) Materials are available from the authors under a material transfer agreement with BioNTech.	
Antibodies	indicate where provided: page no/section/legend)	n/a
For commercial reagents, provide supplier name, catalogue number and RRID , if available.	Supplementary Materials, page 4-5 (Materials and Methods – VSV-SARS-CoV-2 S variant pseudovirus generation) anti-VSV-G antibody (clone 8G5F11, Kerafast Inc.)	
DNA and RNA sequences	indicate where provided: page no/section/legend)	n/a
Short novel DNA or RNA including primers, probes: Sequences should be included or deposited in a public repository.		X
Cell materials	indicate where provided: page no/section/legend)	n/a
Cell lines: Provide species information, strain. Provide accession number in repository OR supplier name, catalog number, clone number, OR RRID.	Supplementary Materials, page 5 and 7 (Materials and Methods – VSV-SARS-CoV-2 S variant pseudovirus generation / Live SARS-CoV-2 neutralization assay) HEK293T/17 (ATCC® CRL-11268™) VERO 76 (ATCC® CRL-1587™) Vero E6 (ATCC® CRL-1586™)	
Primary cultures: Provide species, strain, sex of origin, genetic modification status.		X
Experimental animals	indicate where provided: page no/section/legend)	n/a
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If collected and within the bounds of privacy constraints report on age, sex and gender or ethnicity for all study participants.	Supplementary Materials, pages 2-3 (Materials and Methods – Clinical Trials)	

	<p>This research used samples from 18-85 year old participants of the German Phase 1/2 trial BNT162-01 (NCT04380701) vaccinated with 2-dose primary series of 30 µg BNT162b2 with a 21 ± 2 days dosing interval. In addition, samples were used from participants in subgroups of two ongoing clinical trials, BNT162-14 (NCT04949490) aged 18-85 and BNT162-17 (NCT05004181) aged 18-55 years old.</p> <p>Participants of BNT162-01 who received the 2-dose primary series with BNT162b2 were recruited to the BNT162-14 clinical trial, a Phase 2, open-label, rollover trial located at multiple sites in Germany.</p> <p>Participants included in this study from these clinical trials were from subcohorts contributing to the exploratory endpoint to evaluate cross-neutralization of BNT162b2-induced antibodies to emerging SARS-CoV-2 variants following 2-dose primary series vaccination with or without booster vaccination (dose 3) in healthy adults.</p> <p>The trials were carried out in accordance with the Declaration of Helsinki and Good Clinical Practice Guidelines and with approval by independent ethics committees and the competent regulatory authorities. All participants provided written informed consent. The primary objectives of these trials will be reported at a later date.</p> <p>Table S1. Cohort characteristics (page 14)</p>	
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Design:

Study protocol	indicate where provided: page no/section/legend)	n/a
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Sample size determination		X
Randomisation		X
Blinding		X
Inclusion/exclusion criteria		X

Sample definition and in-laboratory replication	indicate where provided: page no/section/legend	n/a
State number of times the experiment was replicated in laboratory.	Supplementary Materials, page 6 (Materials and Methods – Pseudovirus neutralization assay) The full set of sera was tested for neutralization of SARS-CoV-2 pseudoviruses in three independent assays.	
Define whether data describe technical or biological replicates.	Supplementary Materials, page 3, 6-7 (Materials and Methods – Serum specimens / Pseudovirus neutralization assay / Live SARS-CoV-2 neutralization assay) Three different panels of sera were investigated. The first serum panel was obtained from 32 participants in the BNT162-01 trial drawn at a median 22 days (range 19-23 days) after receiving the second dose BNT162b2 of the 2-dose primary series (2 x 30µg). The second serum panel was obtained from 30 participants in the BNT162-14 (n=11) and BNT162-17 (n=19) trial drawn at a median 28 days (range 26-30 days) after receiving the third dose BNT162b2. The third serum panel was obtained from 11 participants immunized with a third dose of BNT162b2 in the BNT162-14 trial, who rolled over from the parental trial BNT162-01. Serum dilutions were mixed 1:1 with pseudovirus (n=2 technical replicates per serum per pseudovirus) for 30 minutes at room temperature prior to addition to Vero 76 cell monolayers and incubation at 37 °C with 7.5% CO2 for 24 hours.	

Ethics	indicate where provided: page no/section/legend	n/a
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<p>Studies involving human participants: State details of authority granting ethics approval (IRB or equivalent committee(s), provide reference number for approval.</p>		X
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<p>Studies involving specimen and field samples: State if relevant permits obtained, provide details of authority approving study; if none were required, explain why.</p>	<p>Supplementary Materials, pages 2-3 (Materials and Methods – Clinical Trials)</p> <p>This research used samples from 18-85 year old participants of the German Phase 1/2 trial BNT162-01 (NCT04380701) vaccinated with 2-dose primary series of 30 µg BNT162b2 with a 21 ± 2 days dosing interval. In addition, samples were used from participants in subgroups of two ongoing clinical trials, BNT162-14 (NCT04949490) aged 18-85 and BNT162-17 (NCT05004181) aged 18-55 years old. Participants of BNT162-01 who received the 2-dose primary series with BNT162b2 were recruited to the BNT162-14 clinical trial, a Phase 2, open-label, rollover trial located at multiple sites in Germany. Participants included in this study from these clinical trials were from subcohorts contributing to the exploratory endpoint to evaluate cross-neutralization of BNT162b2-induced antibodies to emerging SARS-CoV-2 variants following 2-dose primary series vaccination with or without booster vaccination (dose 3) in healthy adults. The trials were carried out in accordance with the Declaration of Helsinki and Good Clinical Practice Guidelines and with approval by independent ethics committees and the competent regulatory authorities. All participants provided written informed consent. The primary objectives of these trials will be reported at a later date.</p>	

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