

Supplement

Preserved T-cell Response in anti-CD20 treated Multiple Sclerosis Patients following SARS-CoV-2 Vaccination

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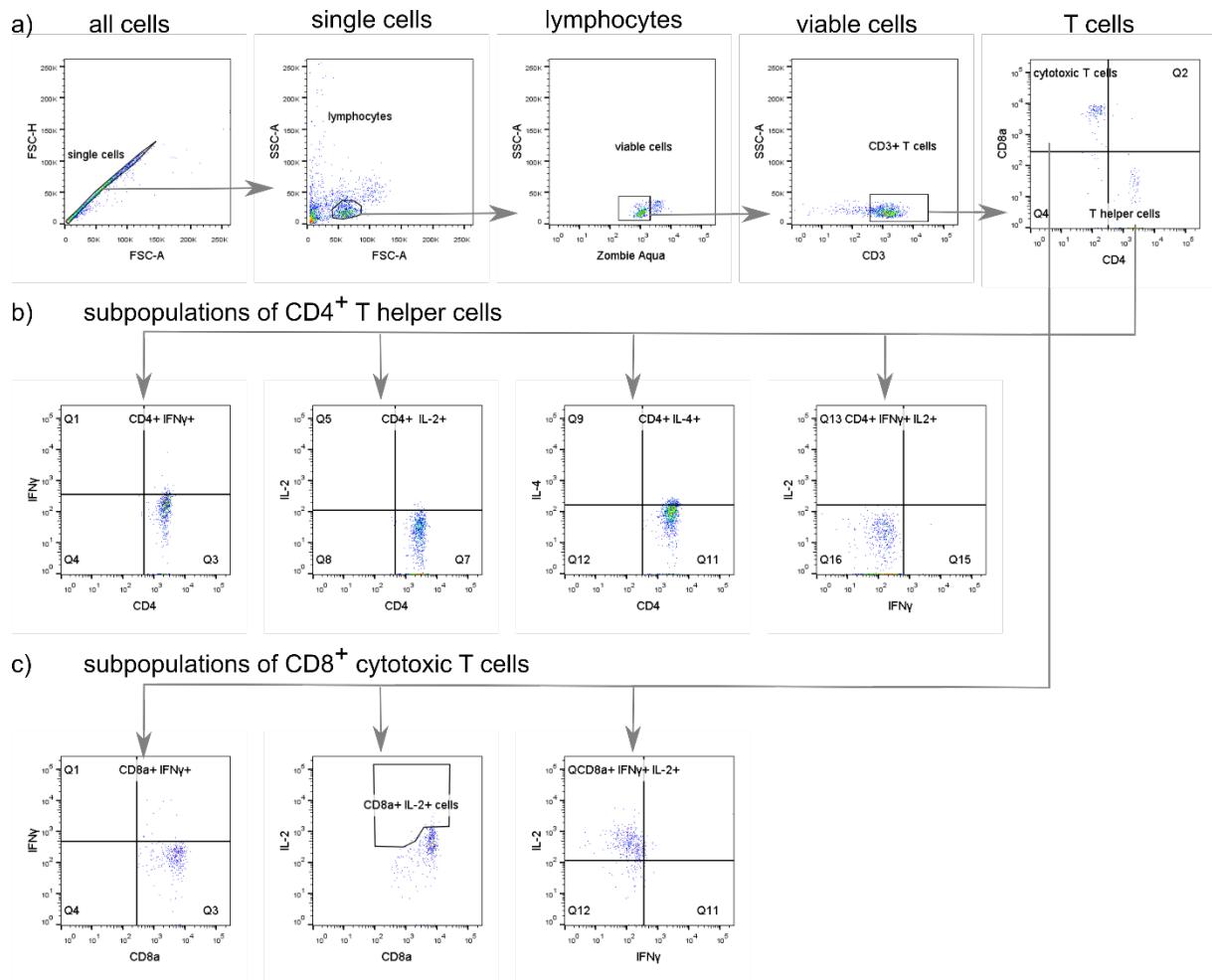
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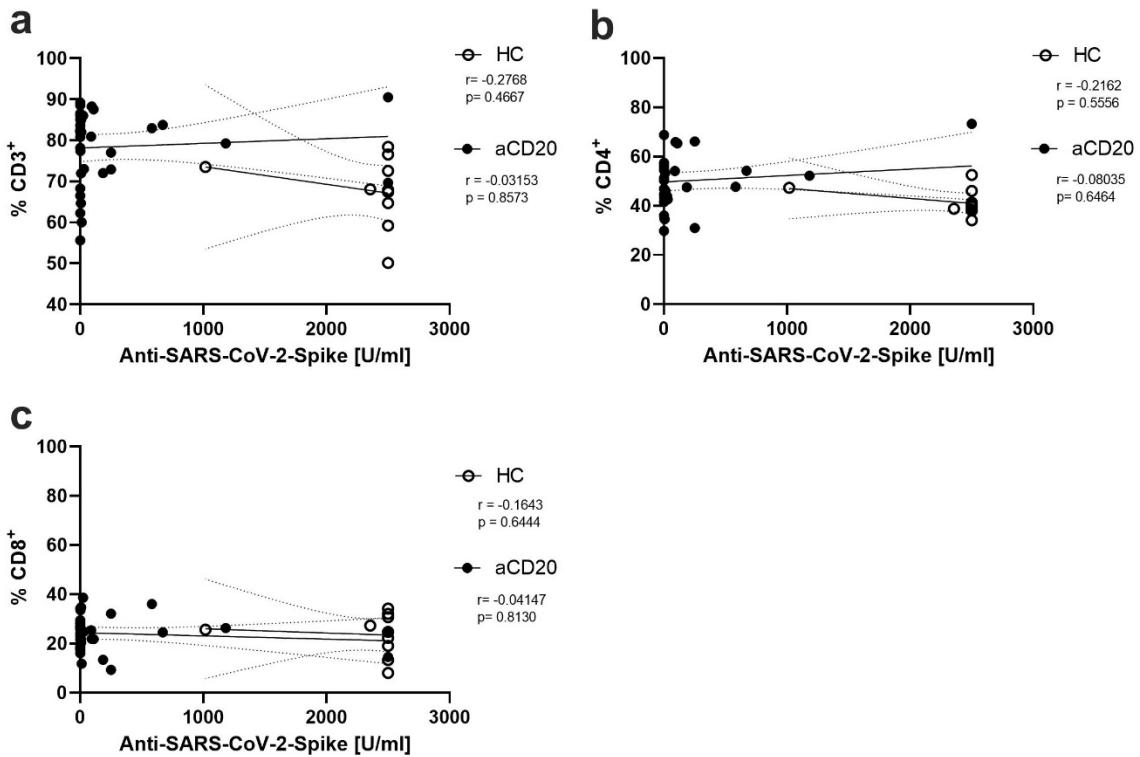
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Supplementary Table 1: Antibodies used for flow cytometry.

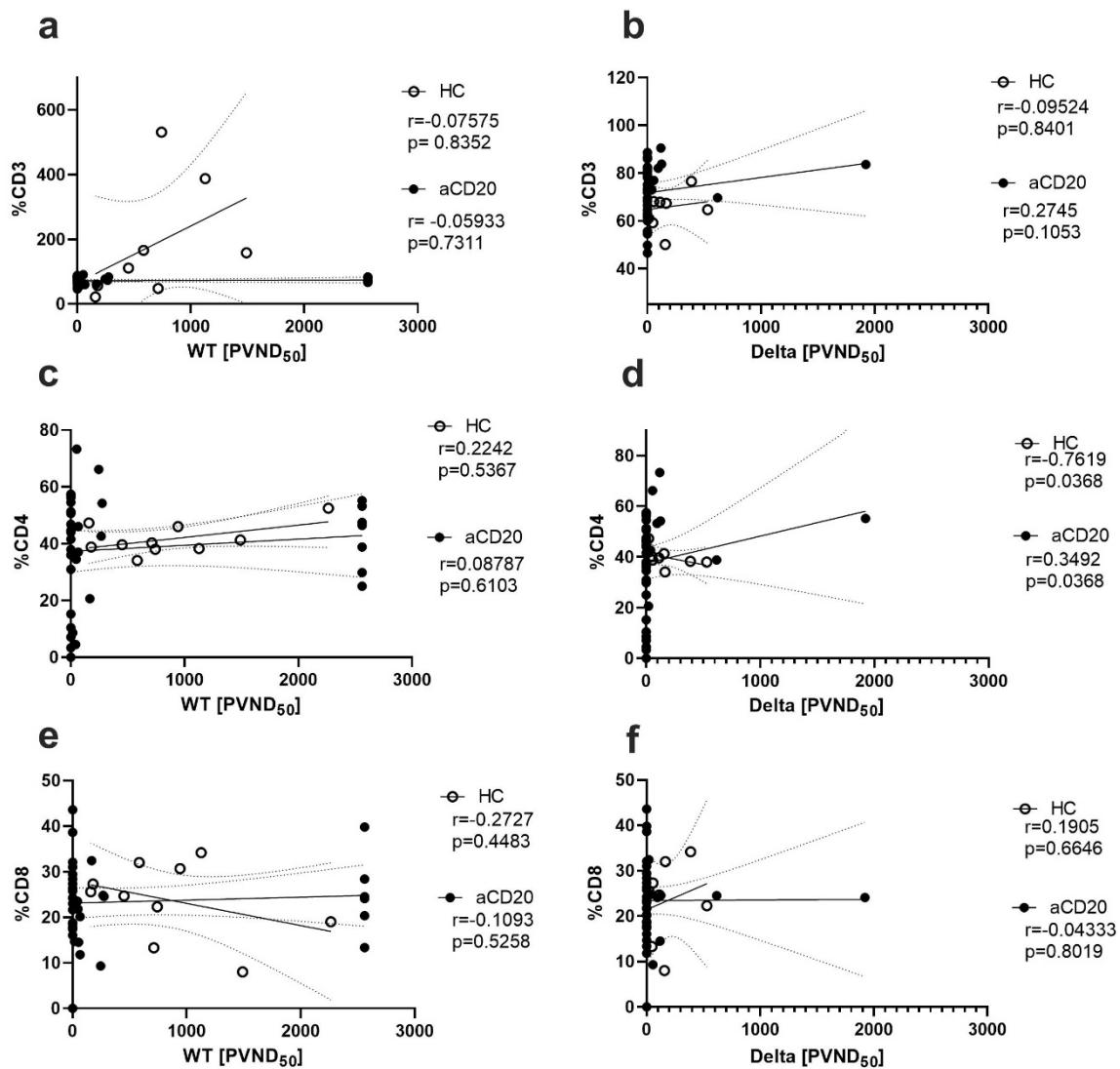
| | antibody | conjugate/dye | dilution |
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| Viability | | Zombie Aqua™ | 1/1,500 |
| Extracellular staining | anti-CD3 | BV785 | 1/200 |
| | anti-CD4 | FITC | 1/200 |
| | anti-CD8a | APC/Fire750 | 1/200 |
| Intracellular staining | anti-IL-2 | APC | 1/50 |
| | anti-IL-4 | PE | 1/50 |
| | anti-IFN- γ | PerCP-Cy5.5 | 1/50 |



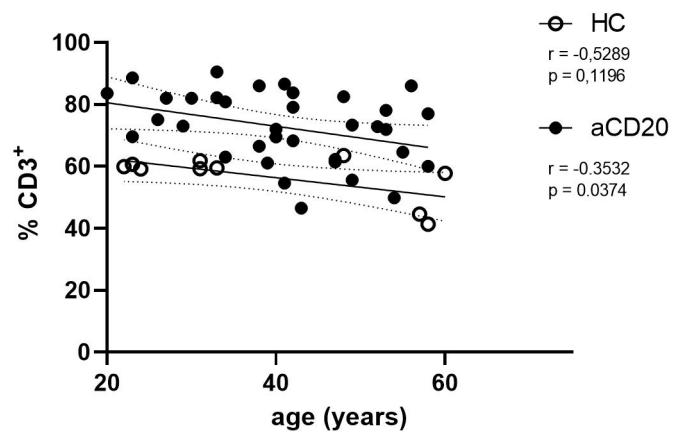
Supplementary Figure 1: Gating strategy of T cell subpopulations in SARS-CoV-2 peptide stimulated PBMCs after flow cytometry measurements. The gating strategy was applied to data shown in Figures 3-5. a) $CD8^+$ and $CD4^+$ T cells were gated within viable single T cells. b) Subpopulations of $CD4^+$ T helper cells. c) Identification of subpopulations of $CD8^+$ cytotoxic T cells.



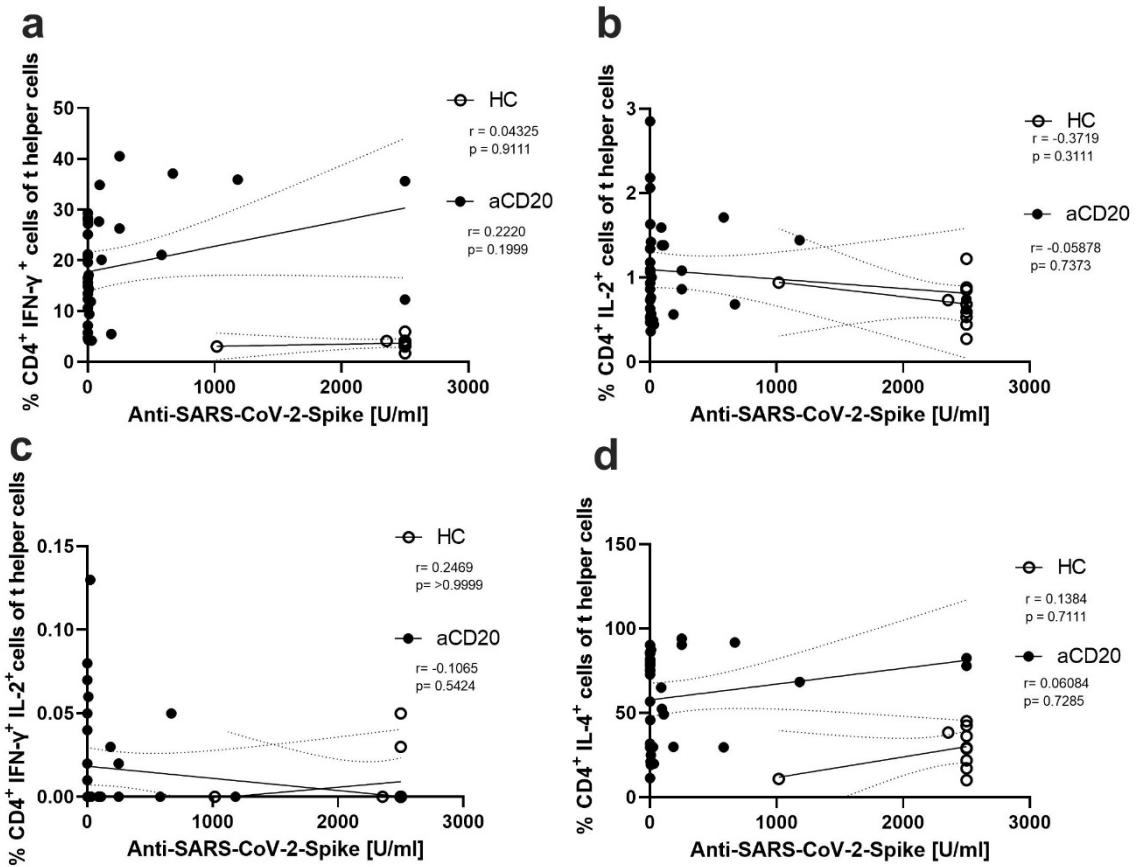
Supplementary Figure 2: Correlation of Anti-SARS-CoV-2-Spike titer and T cell populations in HC and aCD20 treated MS patients. No correlation of anti-SARS-CoV-2-Spike titers and a) CD3⁺ T cell frequencies, b) CD4⁺ Th helper cell frequencies and c) CD8⁺ cytotoxic T cell frequencies. Reference range of Anti-SARS-CoV2 antibodies: <0,8-2500 U/mL. Data were analyzed with non-parametric, two-tailed Spearman correlation.



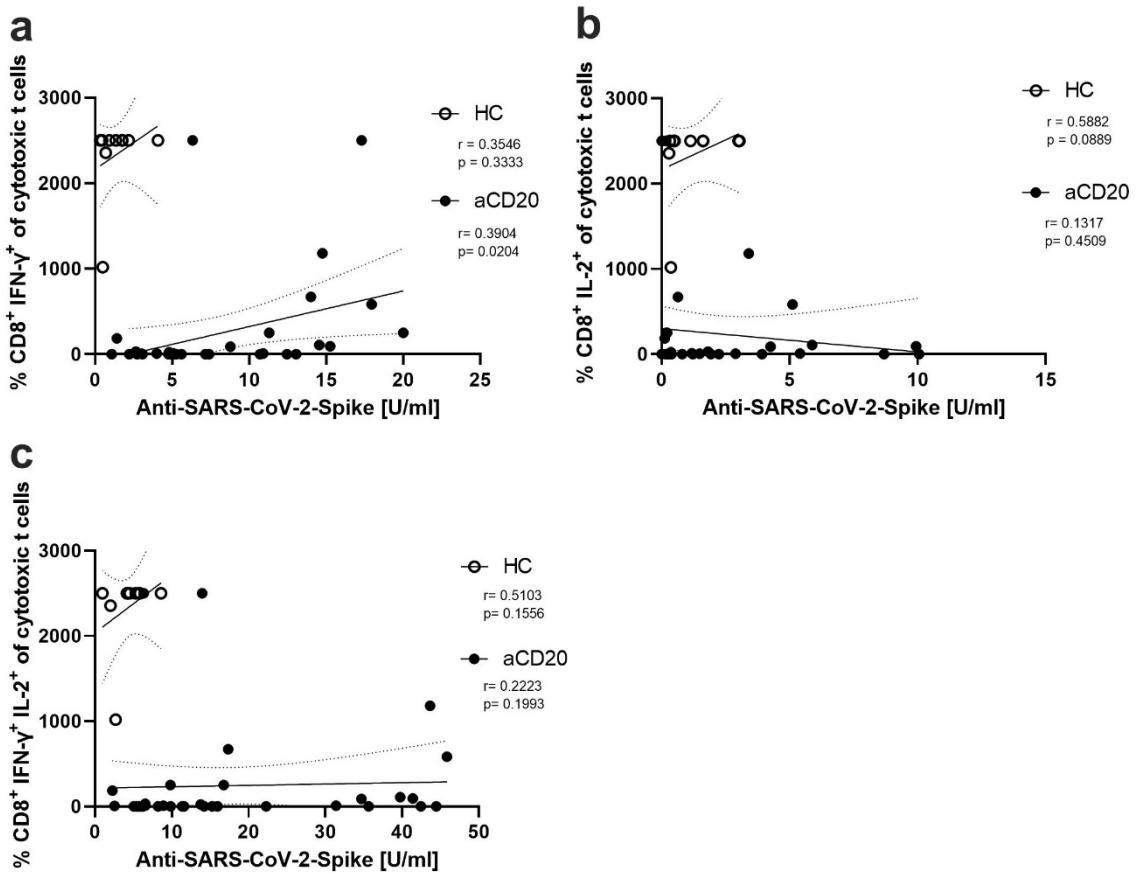
Supplementary Figure 3: Correlation of neutralization capacity and frequencies of CD3⁺, CD4⁺ and CD8⁺ T cell populations. Correlation of WT neutralization with frequencies of a) CD3⁺, c) CD4⁺ and e) CD8⁺ T cells and correlation of delta neutralization with frequencies of b) CD3⁺, d) CD4⁺ and f) CD8⁺ T cells. Data were analyzed with non-parametric, two-tailed Spearman correlation.



Supplementary Figure 4: Correlation of age with CD3⁺ T cell population. Negative correlation of age with CD3⁺ T cell populations in aCD20 treated MS patients. Data were analyzed with non-parametric, two-tailed Spearman correlation.



Supplementary Figure 5: Correlation of anti-SARS-CoV-2-Spike titer and CD4⁺ Thelper cell subpopulations. Anti-SARS-CoV-2-Spike titers did not correlate with frequencies of a) CD4⁺IFN- γ ⁺ cells, b) CD4⁺IL-2⁺ cells, c) CD4⁺IFN- γ ⁺IL-2⁺ cells or d) CD4⁺IL-4⁺ cells. Reference range of anti-SARS-CoV-2 antibodies: <0,8-2500 U/mL. Data were analyzed with non-parametric, two-tailed Spearman correlation.



Supplementary Figure 6: Correlation of anti-SARS-CoV-2-Spike titer and CD8⁺ Tc cell subpopulations. Anti-SARS-CoV-2-Spike titers correlated with frequencies of a) CD8⁺IFN- γ ⁺ cells in aCD20 treated MS patients but not in HC. No correlation of anti-SARS-CoV-2-Spike titers with b) CD8⁺IL-2⁺ cells or c) CD8⁺IFN- γ ⁺IL-2⁺ cells. Reference range of anti-SARS-CoV-2 antibodies: <0,8-2500 U/mL. Data were analyzed with non-parametric, two-tailed Spearman correlation.