

10 **Supplemental Figure 1: Mice immunization protocol with Mim\_F8-1 phagotope.** 11 Four BALB/c mice were injected subcutaneously with heat-inactivated Mim\_F8-1 12 phagotope (10<sup>10</sup> cfu) at day 0 in complete Freund's adjuvant (CFA) and at days 14, 28 13 and 42 in incomplete Freund's adjuvant (IFA). Serum was collected at days 39 and 53 14 and tested for their reactivity as described in Figure 5.

## 1 Supplemental Figure 2:



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Supplemental Figure 2: Sequence analysis of the F8 mAb by mass spectrometry.
Identification of the light chain of the F8 antibody was made by MALDI-TOF PMF
(peptide mass fingerprint). Spectra was obtained in positive reflector mode on an
Autoflex speed IV (Bruker) in the mass range 700-4000 m/z using CHCA matrix.
Identified peptides are shown in bold red in the sequence and CDRs of Vk are
highlighted in yellow.

# **1** Supplemental Figure 3:



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1 Supplemental Figure 3: Construction and characterization of the chimeric F8 mAb. 2 (A) cDNA was synthesized after RNA extraction from F8 hybridoma. VH and VL domains 3 were amplified by PCR with oligonucleotides coding for the indicated restriction sites. The DNA fragments were cloned into plasmids coding for the corresponding human 4 5 constant IgG1 and k domains. CHO cells were co-transfected with the plasmids and 6 selected with zeocin (zeo) and blasticidin (blast). The chimeric F8 mAb was purified 7 using protein A agarose beads as mentioned in Supplemental information. (B) 8 Neutralizing activity of HIV infection was performed as mentioned in Figure 2 using the 9 JR-CSF strain and different concentrations of purified chimeric F8 mAb (F8-cAb). The 10 calculated IC50 was 0.3 µg/mL.

# 1 Supplemental Figure 4:



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	kon (1/Ms)	koff (1/s)	KD (M)
BSA-W614A-3S	4.10e5	1.09e-6	2,65e-12
BSA-3S	8.06e5	8.11e-4	1.01e-9

Supplemental Figure 4: SPR sensorgrams of F8 mAb binding to BSA-W614S-3S 1 2 and BSA-3S. The resonance signal in RU is given as the response difference (Resp. 3 Diff.) between the reference cell (without immobilized ligand) and the sample cell. The F8 mAb was immobilized onto a CM5 sensor chip (as mentioned in Supplemental 4 5 methods) and the analytes were injected at concentrations of 2.8, 2.4, 2, 1.6, 1.2, 0.8, 6 0.4 nM for BSA-W614A-3S (A) and 1.4, 1.2, 1, 0.8, 0.6, 0.4, 0.2 nM for BSA-3S (B). Binding rate constants and apparent affinities of BSA-3S and BSA-W614A-3S for the F8 7 mAb in SPR are shown in **C**. 8

# 1 Supplemental Table I: Molecular characterization of the anti-W614A-3S mAbs.

		B8 / G9	F8 / C9	G6
IGH	V-gene and allele	IGHV5-4*02 96% (276/288 nt)	IGHV3-6*01 or 02 93% (267/285 nt)	IGHV1-26*01 99% (268/271 nt)
	J-Gene and allele	IGHJ3*01 100% (48/48 nt)	IGHJ2*01 83% (40/48 nt)	IGHJ2*01 90% (43/48 nt)
	D-Gene and allele	IGHD1-1*01	IGHD2-2*01	IGHD2-12*01
	CDR3 length	11	5	10
	CDR3 MW	1,752.93	911.01	1,417.48
	CDR3 sequence	CTRDRDFSWFAYW	CYGYGYW	CARGNFGNDDYW
IGK	V-gene and allele	IGKV1-117*01 99% (291/294 nt)	IGKV1-117*01 96% (283/294 nt)	IGKV1-117*01 98% (289/294 nt)
	J-Gene and allele	IGKJ5*01 95% (36/38 nt)	IGKJ2*01 84% (32/38 nt)	IGKJ5*01 100% (36/36 nt)
	CDR3 length	9	9	9
	CDR3 MW	1,235.43	1,333.49	1,235.43
	CDR3 sequence	CFQGSHVPLTF	CFQGSHFPYTF	CFQGSHVPLTF

1 Supplemental Table II: Sequence of the peptides used in this study 2 3 3S-SCR: CWDALNDWSPSKIASN 4 5 3S: 6 W614A-3S: C P W N A S A S N K S L D D I W 7 8 Mim F8-1: D L F Y **E C A G C** K 9 ECAGCAVDSL Mim F8-2: 10

### **1** SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL AND METHODS:

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## 3 **Peptides Synthesis**

The peptides described in the Supplemental Table II were synthesized by CovalAb 4 5 (Villeurbanne, France) using solid-phase Fmoc chemistry with >80% purity levels. The 6 biotinylated Mim F8-1 peptide (DLFYECAGCK-Biot) was synthesized via Fmoc 7 chemistry using the Liberty Blue<sup>™</sup> automated microwave peptide synthesizer (CEM 8 Corporation), a Biotin NovaTag (Merck Millipore), and a systematic double-coupling 9 protocol. The peptide was cleaved from the resin and deprotected using standard TFA 10 procedures with 1,2-ethanedithiol, water, and triisopropylsilane as scavengers. The 11 peptide was purified by reverse-phase high-performance liquid chromatography (RP-12 HPLC) using a Phenomenex Luna<sup>®</sup> C18(2) semi-preparative column (5  $\mu$ m, 250 × 10 13 mm) and lyophilized. Pure peptide was dissolved with water/DMSO (2/1) and incubated 14 at room temperature for 16h. The oxidized reaction mixture was purified directly by RP-15 HPLC and lyophilized. The homogeneity and identity of the synthetic peptide were 16 assessed by MALDI-TOF mass spectrometry (Voyager DE-PRO Applied Biosystems) 17 and analytical RP-HPLC (Grace Apollo C18 column, 5 µm, 250 x 4.6 mm).

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### 19 Molecular characterization of mAbs

20 RNA was extracted from 10<sup>6</sup> hybridoma cells with Trizol reagent (Thermo Scientific, 21 Ambion), and reverse transcription done using the Reverse Transcriptase Core kit 22 (Eurogentec) according to manufacturer's instructions. The amplification of the IgG 23 variable domains was performed as previously reported (1). DNA sequencing of purified amplicons was performed on an ABI Prism 3700 automatic sequencer (Thermo Scientific, Applied Biosystems) using the BigDye Terminator v1.1 Cycle Sequencing Kit and analyzed with the Sequencher1v4.7 sequence analysis software (Gene Codes Corporation). Identification of V, D, J genes and alleles of Ig was performed with IMGT/V-QUEST program version: 3.3.5 (2, 3).

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#### 7 **mAb chimerization**

8 The IgG variable domains were amplified by PCR using the FastStart High Fidelity PCR 9 System (Roche) from the cDNA of the F8 hybridoma using specific PAGE-purified 10 oligonucleotides (Eurogentec). The VH and the VL domains were cloned into the 11 pFUSEss-CHIg-hG1 and pFUSE2ss-CLIg-hk respectively (both from Invivogen) using 12 the In-Fusion HD Cloning Kit (Takara Bio) according to the manufacturer instructions. 13 After cloning, isolated colonies were screened by PCR and sequenced to check the 14 integrity of the murine variable domains and the in-frame junction with the sequence of 15 the human lq constant domains.

16 CHO-K1 cells were co-transfected with the pFUSEss-F8VH-CHIg-hG1 and pFUSE2ss-17 *F8Vk*-CLIg-hk at a 2:3 ratio using JetPrime transfection reagent (Polyplus-Transfection) 18 and selected with blasticidin (100  $\mu$ g/mL) and zeocin (25  $\mu$ g/mL) (both from Invivogene). 19 Resistant cells were subcloned by limiting dilution in 96-well plates and supernatants 20 were analyzed for chimeric antibody expression by indirect ELISA. One of the positive 21 clones was culture expanded into DMEM supplemented with 2.5% of Ultra Low IgG 22 Fetal Bovine Serum (Thermo Scientific, Gibco) and the chimeric antibody was purified 23 from 100 mL supernatant using protein A agarose beads (Calbiochem).

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### 2 Antibody binding assays and KD determination

3 Kinetics and affinity of the F8 antibody binding was analyzed by Surface Plasmon 4 Resonance (SPR) on a Biacore 3000 instrument (GE Healthcare) using a CM5 sensor 5 chip in order to obtain 1500 RU of covalently coupled protein essentially as described in 6 (4). All experiments were performed in triplicate. The purified F8 mAb was immobilized 7 at 30 µg/mL following by injection of 1M ethanolamine hydrochloride. Kinetic 8 experiments were carried out in running buffer by passing various concentrations of the 9 analyte over the ligand surface with a 3-min association phase and a 6-min dissociation 10 phase. The sensor surface was regenerated between each cycle with 10 mM glycine 11 hydrochloride (pH 2.5). The BSA-3S-scr was used as negative control and identical 12 injections over blank surfaces were subtracted from all experiments. Kinetics were 13 evaluated by using the BIAevaluation software, Version 4.1 (GE Healthcare). The data 14 were processed by fitting the binding profiles to a 1:1 Langmuir interaction model. The 15 quality of the fit was assessed by the statistical chi2 value provided by the software. The 16 fitting of each dataset yielded rates for association (kon) and dissociation (koff), from 17 which the equilibrium dissociation constant KD was calculated (KD = kon/koff). The kon, 18 koff and KD from 3 experiments were used to calculate the mean values of these 19 variables.

Biolayer interferometry (BLI) analyses were run on a BLItz instrument (ForteBio, Inc.). Streptavidin (SA) and anti-mouse IgG Fc Capture (AMC) biosensors were used to immobilize biotin-conjugated Mim\_F8-1 peptide and mAbs, respectively, before to be dipped into solution of analytes diluted in kinetics buffer. Results were analyzed using

- 1 the BLItz Pro software (version 1.2.1.3), resulting in estimation of association and
- 2 dissociation rates.

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