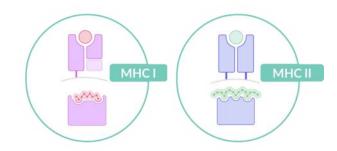
# High-Sensitive MAPPS Analysis for High-Confident Immunogenicity Risk Assessment

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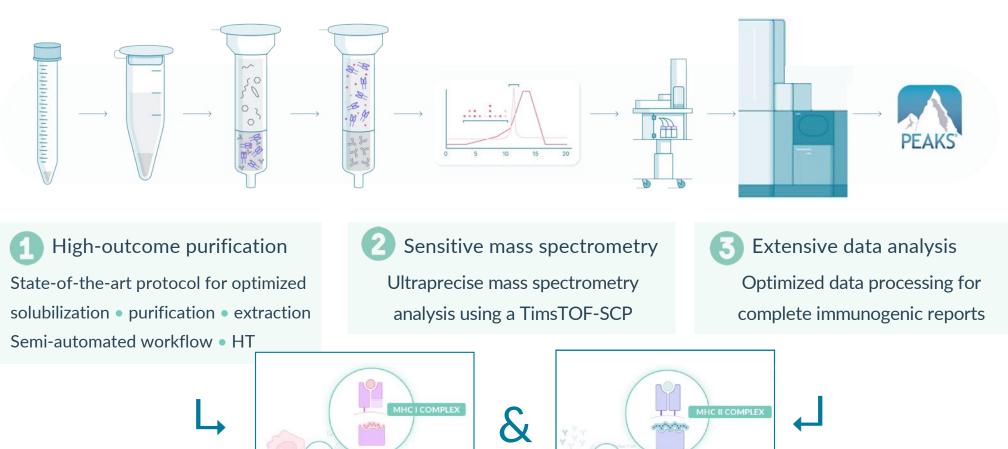
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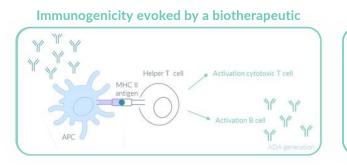
Identification of MHC presented peptides by affinity purification & MS based identification

- Identification of neoantigens/tumor antigens for development of immunotherapy/ precision medicine
- Identification of pathogen derived antigens for prophylactic vaccine development  $= \hat{eta}$
- Immunogenicity assessment of biotherapeutics (MAPPS)
  - → High-sensitivity immunopeptidomics analysis: maximize number of identified peptides
  - $\rightarrow$  Minimal sample input
  - $\rightarrow$  Semi-automated platform with high throughput capacity
  - → Larger screening panels

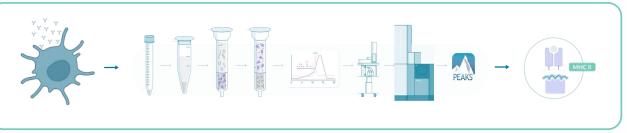
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# MAPPS assay. Risk assessment of your biotherapeutic agent.



MAPPS assay: identification MHC-II presented peptides from APCs loaded with a biotherapeutic



All protein therapeutics: potential to elicit unwanted immunogenicity (effect on safety, efficacy, PK, PD)

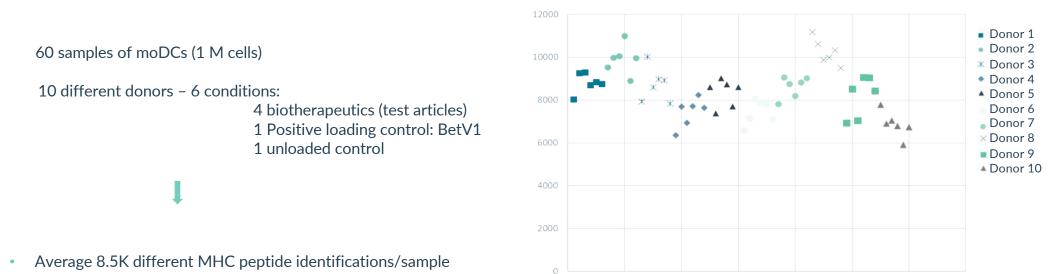
Health authorities: IND submission - requirement thorough immunogenicity risk assessment

→ Preclinical assays for evaluation and mitigation of immunogenicity risk

#### MAPPS: Measurement of truly presented T cell epitopes

- Immunopeptidomics analysis of antigen presenting cells loaded in vitro with the target biotherapeutic
- Pinpointing all the T cell epitopes of the target biotherapeutic (uptake + lysosomal processing + MHC presentation)
- Overview of putative T-cell immunogenic clusters: immunogenic profile of the biotherapeutic
- Vast majority identified peptides self-peptides: high-sensitivity needed not to miss T cell epitopes
- Correlation immunogenicity risk and # presented peptides & # presented clusters

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• In total 91.029 different MHC peptides identified

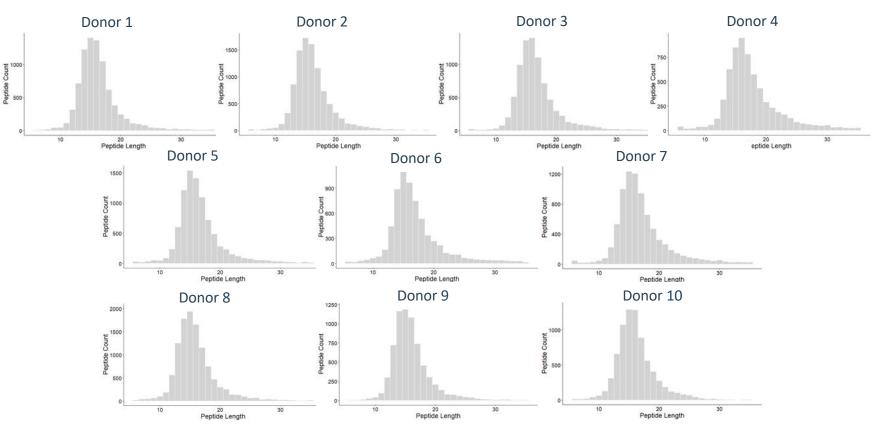
# different MHC-II presented peptides identified per sample

- High numbers of presented MHC peptides are identified using only 1M moDCs per sample
- Per donor: reproducible # MHC peptides

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**QC: Length distribution of identified peptides** 

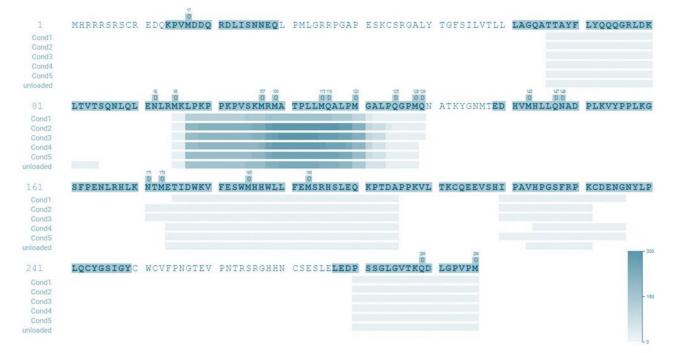
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• Size distribution of identified peptides is conform for MHC-II presented peptides

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QC: MHC-II presented self-peptides in different samples from the same donor





• MAPPS analysis of samples from same donor: same presentation pattern (self-peptides): reproducibility

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#### Positive loading control: BetV1



Distribution of identified immune peptides from BetV1

	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	D6	D7	D8	D9	D10
#Total different peptides	8980	8986	8846	7864	9097	7976	9465	10546	9047	6455
#Different BetV1 peptides	74	33	27	38	69	31	36	78	21	11
% BetV1 peptides	0,8%	0,4%	0,3%	0,5%	0,8%	0,4%	0,4%	0,7%	0,2%	0,2%

- 11 to 78 different BetV1 derived peptides/sample
- Total of 218 different BetV1 derived peptides
- Identified peptides in putative immunogenic clusters.

• Numerous overlapping MHC-presented peptides are identified, a crucial factor for pinpointing putative immunogenic clusters with high confidence

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Positive loading control: BetV1

	MGVFNYETET	TSVIPAARLF	KAFILDGDNL	FPKVAPQAIS	SVENIEGNGG	PGTIKKISFP	EGFPFKYVKD	RVDEVDHINF
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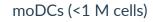
Heat map Betv1 - distribution of identified immune peptides per donor

- Identified peptides in putative immunogenic clusters.
- Different HLA genotype: different clusters

- ⇒ High numbers of presented MHC peptides are identified using only 1M moDCs per sample
- ⇒ Reproducibility between samples
- ⇒ Putative immunogenic regions are identified by multiple peptides: high-confidence immunogenic profile
- of test article

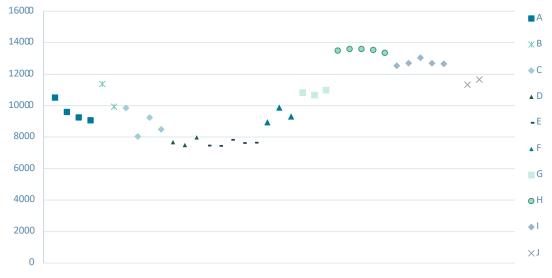
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Explorative study to compare immunogenic profile from different biologics



10 different donors 5 different biologics

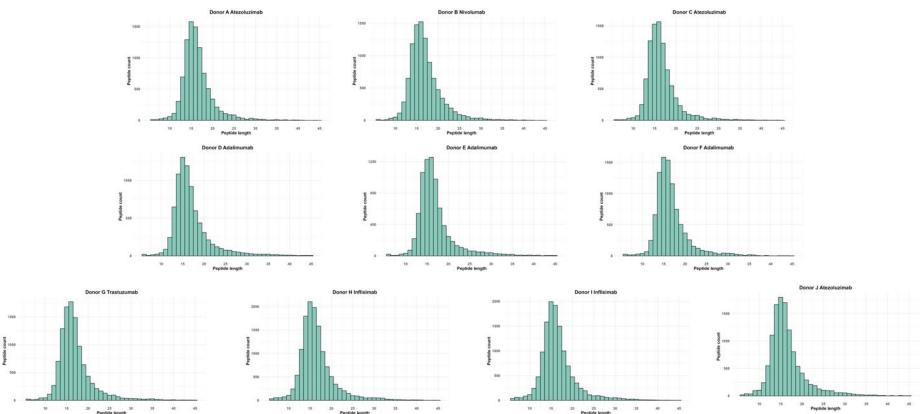
• #Total different MHC peptides: 7437 - 13595



# different MHC-II presented peptides identified per sample

- High numbers of presented MHC peptides are identified using < 1M moDCs per sample
- Per donor: reproducible # MHC peptides

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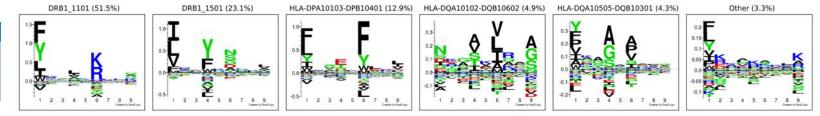
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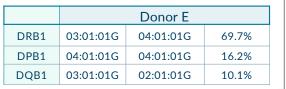
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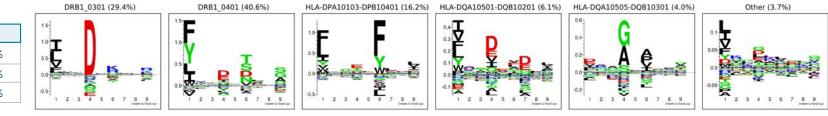
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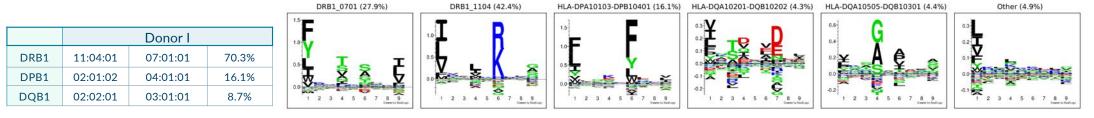
QC: MHC Motif Decon Tool: Attribution identified peptides to HLA-DR, HLA-DP and HLA-DQ

	Donor B					
DRB1	11:01:01	15:01:01	74.6%			
DPB1	04:01:01	04:01:01	12.9%			
DQB1	06:02:01	03:01:01	9.2%			









- HLA-DR presented peptides: dominant part of all identified MHC-II peptides
- HLA-DP & HLA-DQ presented peptides: subsidiary part of all identified MHC-II peptides

MHC Motif Decon Tool: Morten Nielsen (Kaabinejadian et al, 2022)

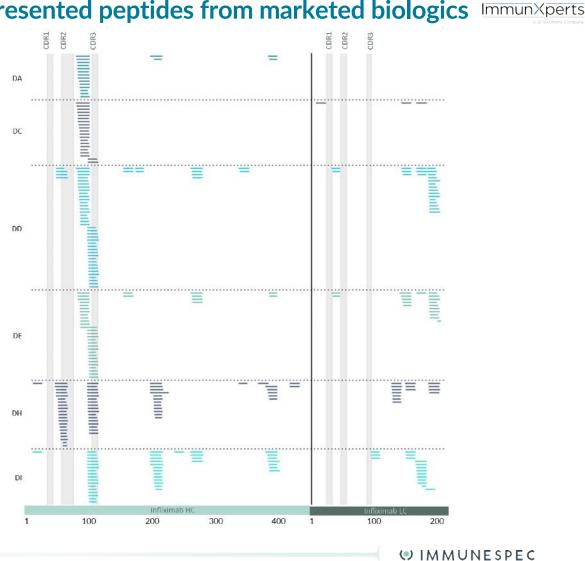
MHC-II	Presented	peptides	from	Infliximab

	Total peptides identified (PSM)	Total different peptides	# Heavy chain peptides	# Light chain peptides	% Infliximab peptides
А	18085	9060	18	0	0.20%
С	17155	8476	20	3	0.27%
D	16971	7512	53	23	1.01%
E	16961	7620	36	18	0.71%
н	28257	13516	60	14	0.55%
I	27225	12690	43	16	0.46%

Infliximab: mAb with high prevalence ADAs - relatively high numbers of presented peptides

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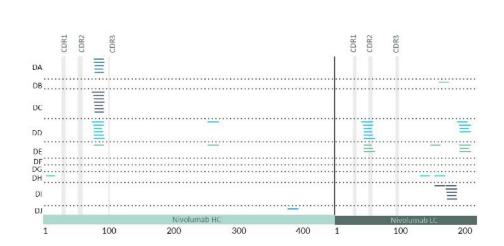
• Clusters: in HC CDR2 & CDR3 but most peptides match to HC & LC constant region



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**MHC-II Presented peptides from Nivolumab** 

	Total peptides identified (PSM)	Total different peptides	# Heavy chain peptides	# Light chain peptides	% Nivolumab peptides
А	18978	9572	5	0	0.05%
В	20068	9931	0	1	0.01%
С	15910	8041	6	0	0.07%
D	17678	7846	7	10	0.22%
Е	16747	7437	2	7	0.12%
F	21004	9912	0	0	0.00%
G	21940	10649	0	0	0.00%
Н	28305	13581	1	2	0.02%
I	27190	12694	0	6	0.05%
J	24382	11333	1	0	0.01%



- Nivolumab: mAb with low prevalence ADAs relatively low numbers of presented peptides
- Clusters: in LC CDR2 but most peptides match to HC & LC constant region

⇒ Identification of HLA-DR, -DP and -DQ peptides

⇒ HLA-DR presented peptides: dominant part of all identified MHC peptides
 HLA-DP & HLA-DQ presented peptides: subsidiary (but non neglectable) part of all identified MHC-II peptides

⇒ Correlation between # identified peptides and #identified clusters in MAPPS assay and immunogenicity incidence & immunogenicity risk

One donor – comparison MAPPS analysis using moDCs vs myeloid DCs & B cells

- B-cells (#800 k): BetV1 & Infliximab
- Myeloid DCs (#520k): BetV1 & Infliximab

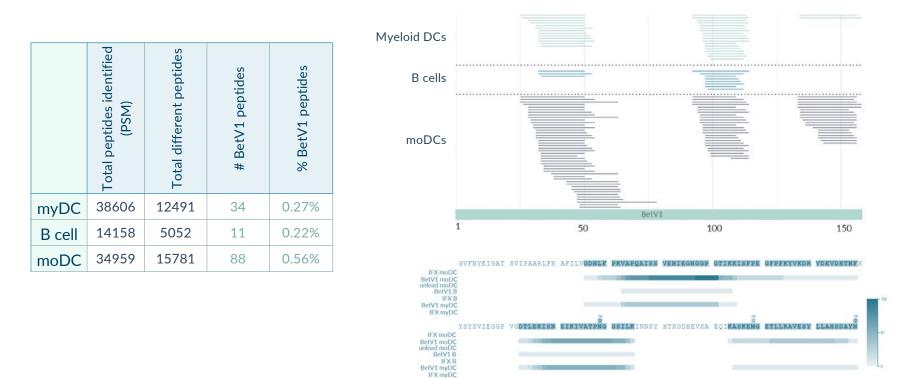


# different MHC-II presented peptides identified per sample

Western Blot showing MHC-II expression levels in different cell types (Equivalent of 750 cells loaded per lane)

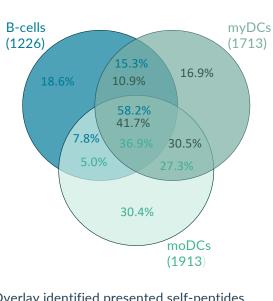
- High sensitivity allows MAPPS analysis of true APCs (B cells #5k myeloid DC #12k moDCs #16k)
- Per sample type: reproducible # identified MHC-II peptides
- #Identified peptides correlate with HLA expression levels

Comparison MAPPS analysis of BetV1 loaded cells: B cells / myeloid DC / moDCs

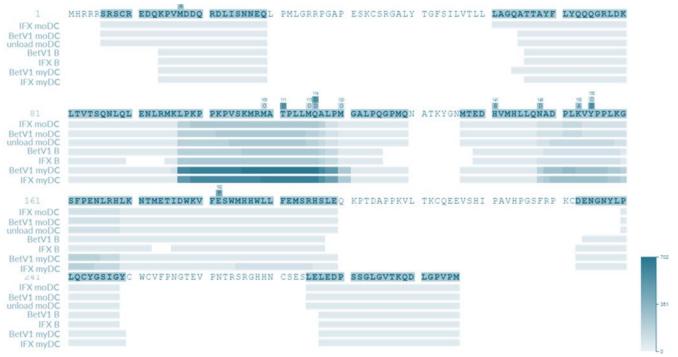


- Same clusters identified in B cells & myDCs found in moDCs from same donor (but higher # peptides)
- True APCs (myDCs & B cells) can be used in high-sensitive MAPPS assay

Comparison MAPPS analysis B cells / Myeloid DCs / moDCs



Overlay identified presented self-peptides at protein level in 3 cell types



Heat map HG2A - distribution of identified immune peptides per sample (different cell types- same donor)

- Differences in presented peptide repertoire at protein level
- For proteins from which relatively high # peptides are presented in the three cell types: presentation patterns are highly similar

DPB1 20:01:01 04:02:01 DQB1 06:02:01 03:02:01 DRB1\_0404 (33.8%) DRB1 1501 (22.0%) DPA010103-DPB12001(17.9%) DQA10102-DQB10602 (7.4%) DPA010103-DPB10402 (10.7%) DQA10301-DQB10302 (1.5%) Other (6.6%) moDCs DR DP DRB1\_0404 (33.7%) DRB1 1501 (24.9%) DPA010103-DPB10402 (10.3%) DPA010103-DPB12001(14.8%) DOA10102-DOB10602 (7.8%) DQA10301-DQB10302 (2,9%) Other (5.6%) myDC DRB1\_0404 (35.5%) DRB1\_1501 (21.7%) DPA010103-DPB10402 (7.4%) DPA010103-DPB12001(18.7%) Other (3.4%) DQA10102-DQB10602 (8.4%) DQA10301-DQB10302 (4.9%) B cells MHC Motif Decon Tool DP 21.7%

Comparison MAPPS analysis of BetV1 loaded cells: B cells / myeloid DC / moDCs

Donor X

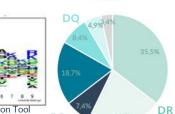
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DRB1

(Kaabinejadian et al, 2022) Portion of identified DR / DP /DQ peptides highly similar between different cell types from same donor () IMMUNESPEC

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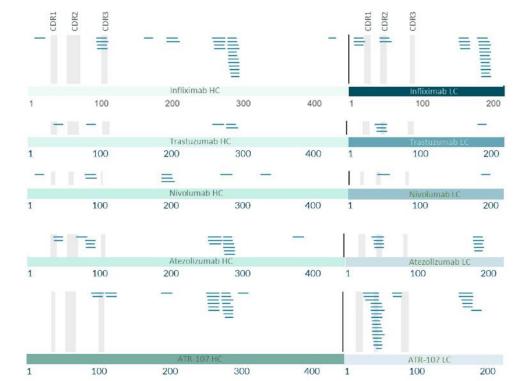


Morten Nielsen

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Comparison MAPPS analysis of different biologics loaded on moDCs

	Total peptides identified (PSM)	Total different peptides	# Heavy Chain peptides	# Light Chain peptides	% Biologic peptides
Infliximab	34904	15797	25	21	0.29%
Trastuzumab	33790	15251	5	4	0.06%
Nivolumab	32250	15290	8	2	0.08%
Atezolizumab	34844	15644	16	9	0.16%
ATR107	34330	15666	20	25	0.29%
Unloaded	34846	15753	0	0	0%



- Correlation between # identified peptides and #identified clusters in MAPPS assay and immunogenicity incidence & immunogenicity risk
- High-sensitivity of MAPPS assay: high-confidence immunogenic profile of test article

⇒ High sensitivity allows MAPPS analysis of reduced number of moDCs and of true APCs

- ⇒ # Identified peptides correlate with HLA expression levels
- ⇒ Correlation between # identified peptides and #identified clusters in MAPPS assay and immunogenicity incidence & immunogenicity risk
- ⇒ Comparison B cells myeloid DCs moDCs:
- Portion of identified DR / DP /DQ peptides highly similar between different cell types from same donor
- Presentation patterns for same protein are highly similar

⇒ High-sensitivity of MAPPS assay: high-confidence immunogenic profile of biotherapeutic

# Conclusion

- Correlation between # identified peptides and #identified clusters in MAPPS assay and immunogenicity incidence & immunogenicity risk
- MAPPS assay: majority identified peptides: self peptides
  - ⇒ high-sensitivity needed for high confident immunogenicity risk assessment
  - Aximized # identified peptides: certainty about immunogenic profile of biotherapeutic
- High-sensitive, high-throughput immunopeptidomics platform for ultrasensitive MAPPS assay
  - ⇒ Reduced requirement sample input
- Use limited # cells
- Less biotherapeutic required for loading cells
- Large screening panels possible
- use moDCs / myDCs / B cells / cyno moDCs
- ⇒ Pinpoint putative immunogenic clusters with great accuracy
- ⇒ Full overview including DR / DP / DQ presented peptides
- ⇒ High throughput fast analysis

#### High-confident immunogenic profiling via MAPPS for reliable immunogenicity risk assessment

- ⇒ enhanced compound selection & modulation
- $\Rightarrow$  higher efficacy () IMMUNESPEC
- ⇒ safety

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