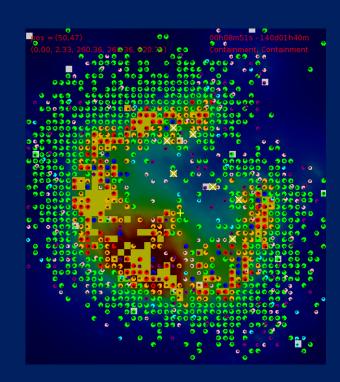


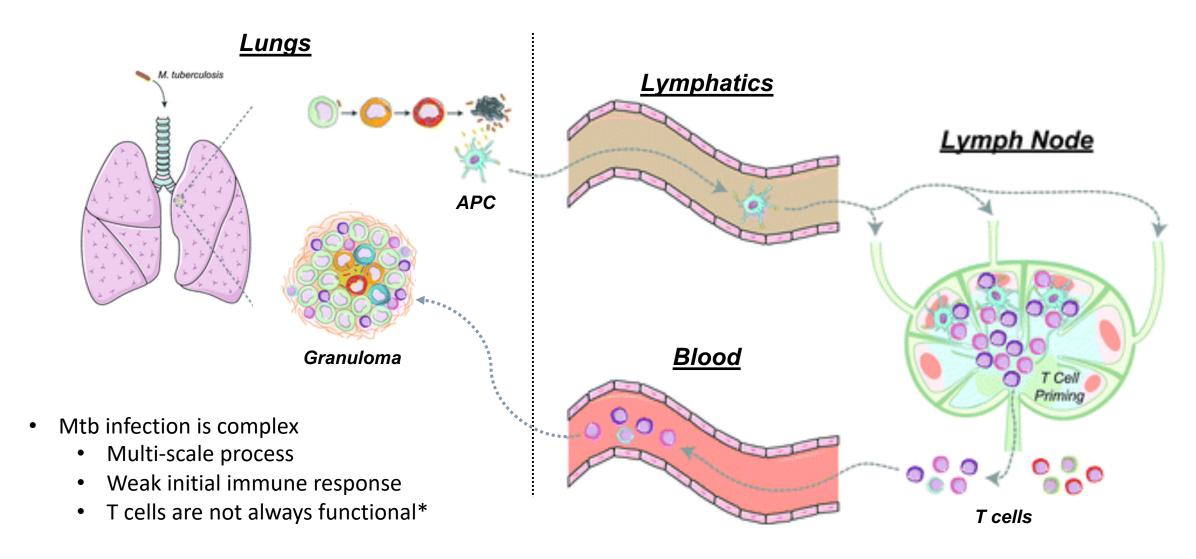
Integrating H56 preclinical and clinical data to translate results from primates to humans using math modeling

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## Immune response to Mtb is delayed

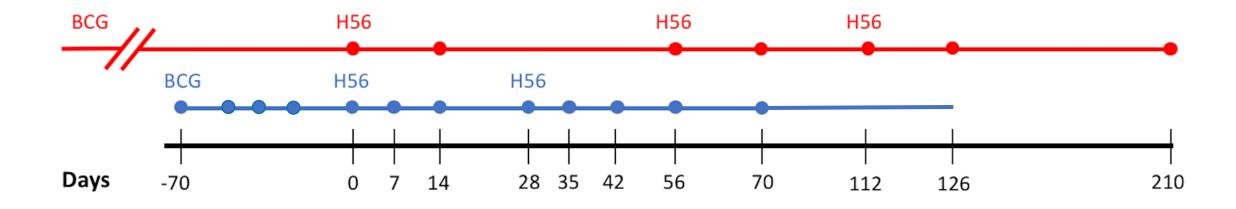


## The search for an effective vaccine

#### Vaccines:

- Bacillus Calmette-Guerin (BCG)
  - Currently given world-wide except Australia, USA, and some European countries
  - Intradermal route of administration
  - Variable efficacy in adults (0-80%)
- H56
  - Subunit vaccine: ESAT6+Ag85B+Rv2660c
  - Ag85B antigen secreted by BCG

## BCG and H56 NHP & human data



#### Legend:

Humans (QFT-) Non-human Primates (NHPs)

Joslyn et al. 2018 Frontiers in Micro Luabeya et al. 2015

#### Blood Draws (Dots):

- Isolate T cell by phenotype and lineage
- Antigen-specific T cell response isolated and collected

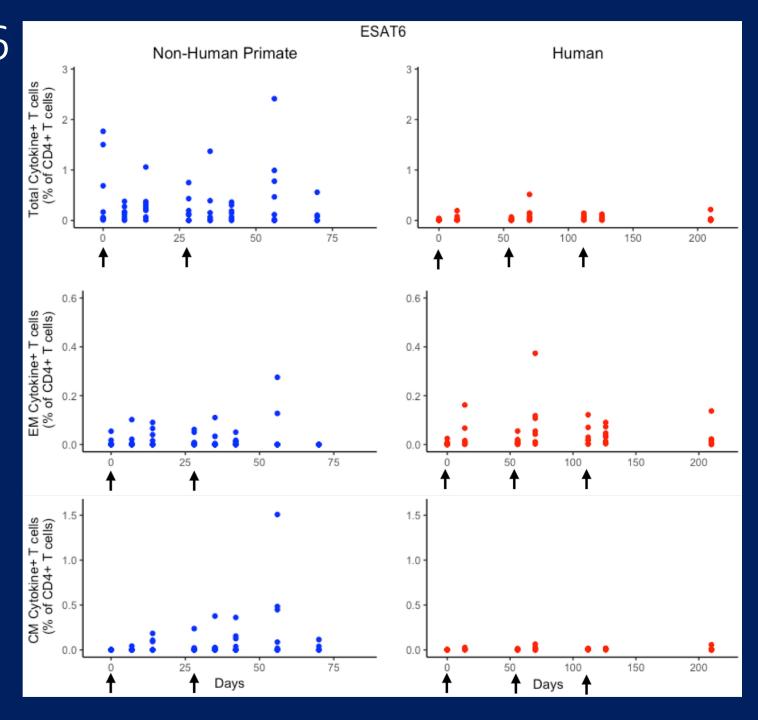
#### **Dose Amounts**

- Human: 50 μg
- NHP: 50 μg
- 0.1 mL BCG

# Preclinical & clinical H56 response data

### **Difference in ESAT6 Response:**

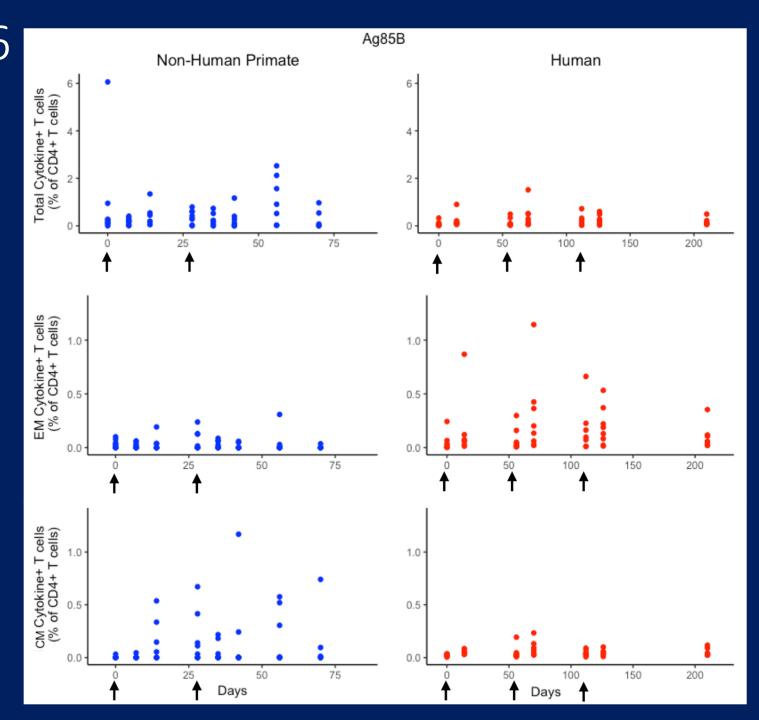
- NHP response highly variable
- Effector Memory response is similar



# Preclinical & clinical H56 response data

### **Difference in Ag85B Response:**

- NHP response even more variable
- Effector Memory response remains similar



## Goals for published and current work

 Provide a mathematical framework to evaluate the response of a vaccine within host

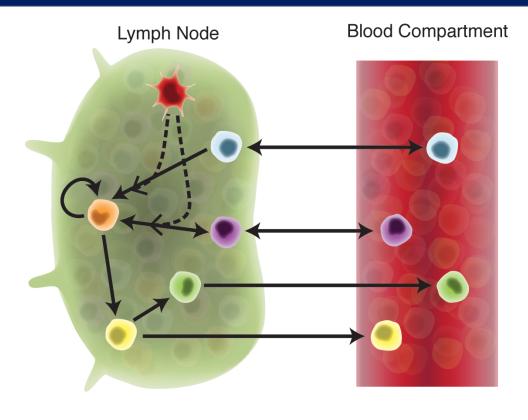
• Can we use modeling of H56 as a case study to evaluate similarities/differences in NHP and human response?

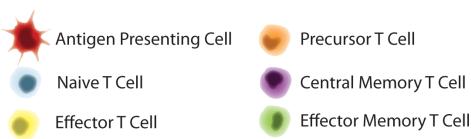
Can we evaluate the impact of prior BCG vaccination on H56 immunogenicity in blood and lymph nodes?

• (Current Work) Can we evaluate efficacy of H56 as a pre- and postexposure vaccine?

## Creating a pre-infection vaccine model

- Two Compartment ODE model
  - 31 Ordinary Differential Equations across the blood and LN representing:
    - APCs
    - CD4 specific, nonspecific T cells
    - CD8 specific, nonspecific T cells
  - Parameter values estimated from data
    - can vary all parameters
    - can vary all initial conditions

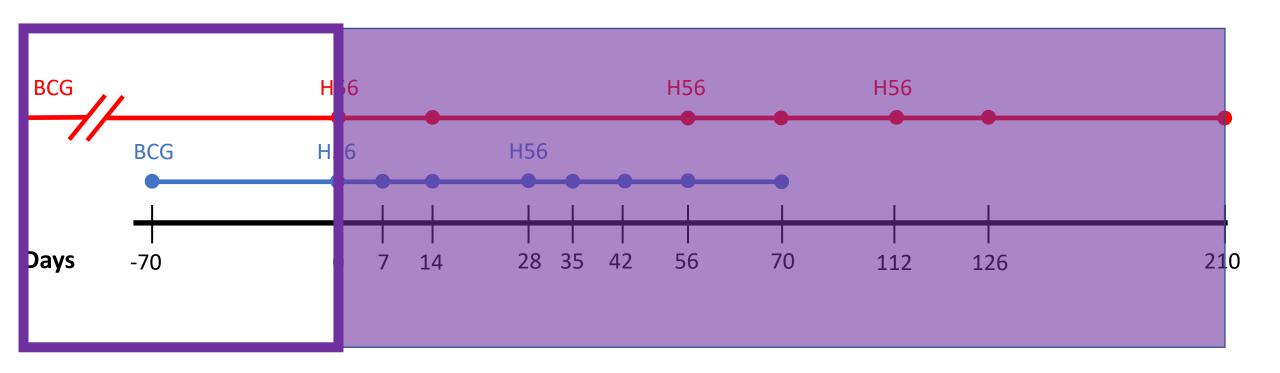




## Capturing vaccination time points

Varied Initial Conditions

Introduced APCs



## Model Predictions

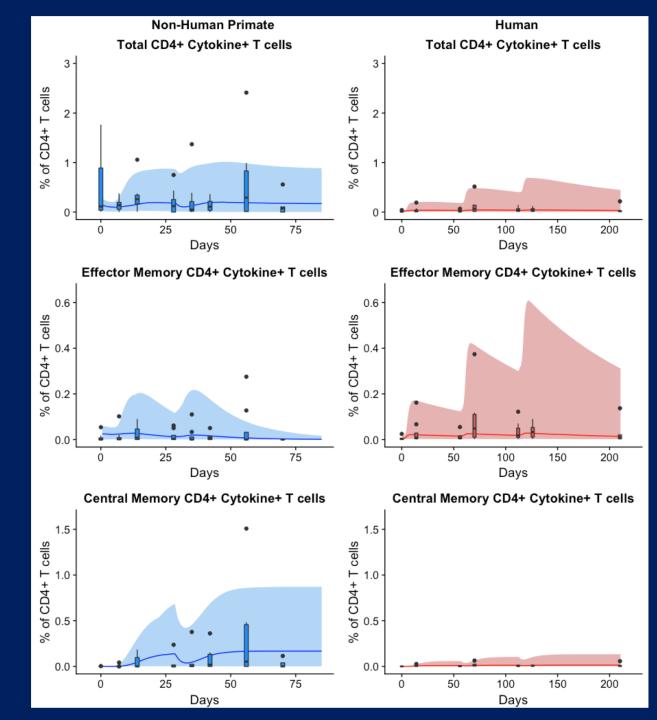
## What was important in the NHP and human response?

#### NHP ESAT6 Response:

- Central Memory reactivation
- Precursor Proliferation

### **Human ESAT6 Response:**

- Central Memory recruitment
- Precursor Proliferation



## Model Predictions

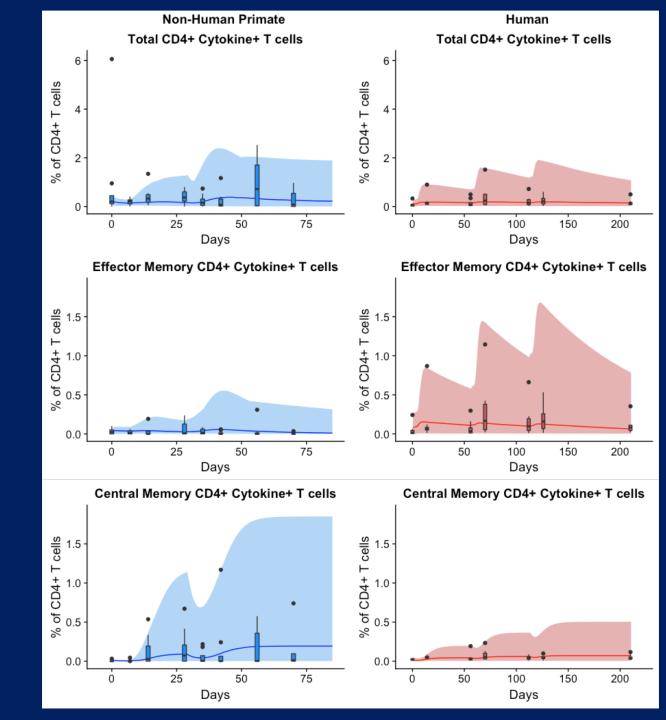
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#### NHP Ag85B Response:

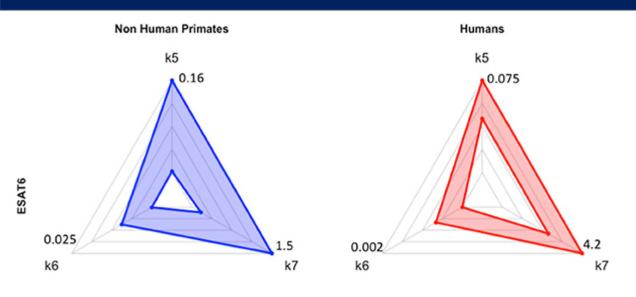
- Initial Conditions in Lymph Node
- Precursor Proliferation

### **Human Ag85B Response:**

- Central Memory recruitment
- Precursor Proliferation
- Likelihood of proliferation



## Radar Charts Reveal Impact of Memory on Parameter Space



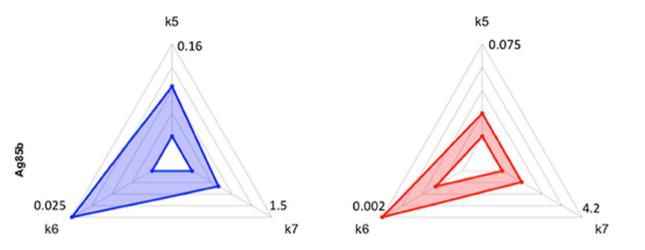
#### Response to ESAT6:

 Humans, NHPs produce a primarily effector and effector memory response



K6 = Precursor to CM

K7 = Effector to Effector Memory



#### Response to Ag85B:

 Humans, NHPs produce more Central Memory cells than in the ESAT-6 response

## Conclusions

- Successfully built a pre-infection vaccination framework using a systems biology approach that integrated NHP and human data.
- Prior BCG vaccination similarly impacts NHPs and humans response to H56 (Radar Charts)
  - but timing is important.
- Can not give BCG years before boost in NHPs
  - Too expensive
  - But this timing is incredibly important, and must be considered.
- Our analysis revealed that the 3<sup>rd</sup> vaccination dose in humans was not associated with positive changes in memory cells across time.
  - Could have been omitted!

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