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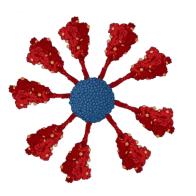


#### **NVX-CoV2373 Overview**

- Novavax prototype strain vaccine induces high levels of cross-reactive antibodies for forward-drift variants, including Omicron BA.5
  - Responses seen with both homologous and heterologous boosting
  - Prototype, omicron variant, and bivalent vaccine all perform comparably
- Prototype strain vaccine presents conserved neutralizing epitopes, resulting in cross-protective responses
- Lower neutralizing responses observed for BQ.1.1 and XBB.1 variants due to mutations in conserved epitopes
  - Antibody titers similar to those induced by bivalent mRNA vaccines
  - Titers likely associated with continued protection against severe outcomes
- Vaccine composition update expected to restore cross-reactivity for future forward drift variants

#### Novavax Vaccine Platform Recombinant Protein Plus Matrix-M™

Recombinant protein particle



**Matrix-M adjuvant** 





Novavax vaccine platform

## Independent USG / NIH Analysis Correlates Anti-Spike IgG with Protection

- Analysis based on US/Mexico Phase 3 Study (90% efficacy)
- Majority (~80%) of cases attributed to variants of interest/concern
- Anti-spike IgG and pseudovirus neutralization titers correlated with protection against PCR-confirmed symptomatic SARS-CoV-2 infection
  - IgG antibody response correlated more strongly

lgG level (BAU/ml)	Estimate of VE (95% CI)		
100	<b>65%</b> (23, 91)		
1,000	<b>88%</b> (78, 94)		
6,934	<b>95%</b> (88, 98)		

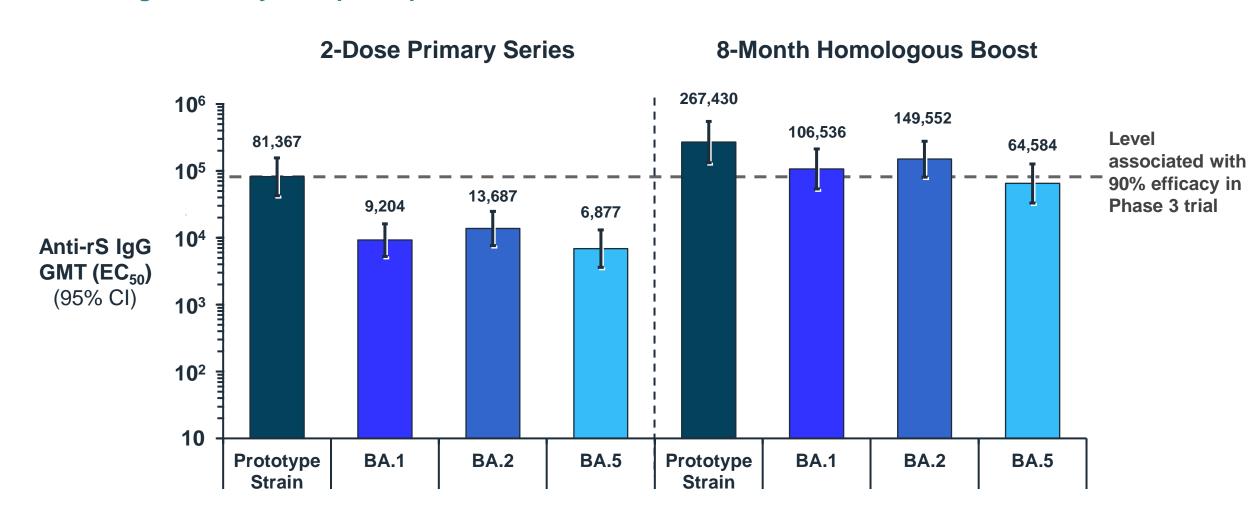
Neutralizing Antibody Titer (IU <sub>50</sub> /mL)	Estimate of VE (95% CI)		
50	<b>76%</b> (50, 93)		
100	<b>82%</b> (66, 93)		
1,000	<b>93%</b> (85, 97)		

# Homologous Boosting US / Mexico Adult Phase 3 Study

Participants received 2-dose primary series Boosted 8 – 11 months after primary series

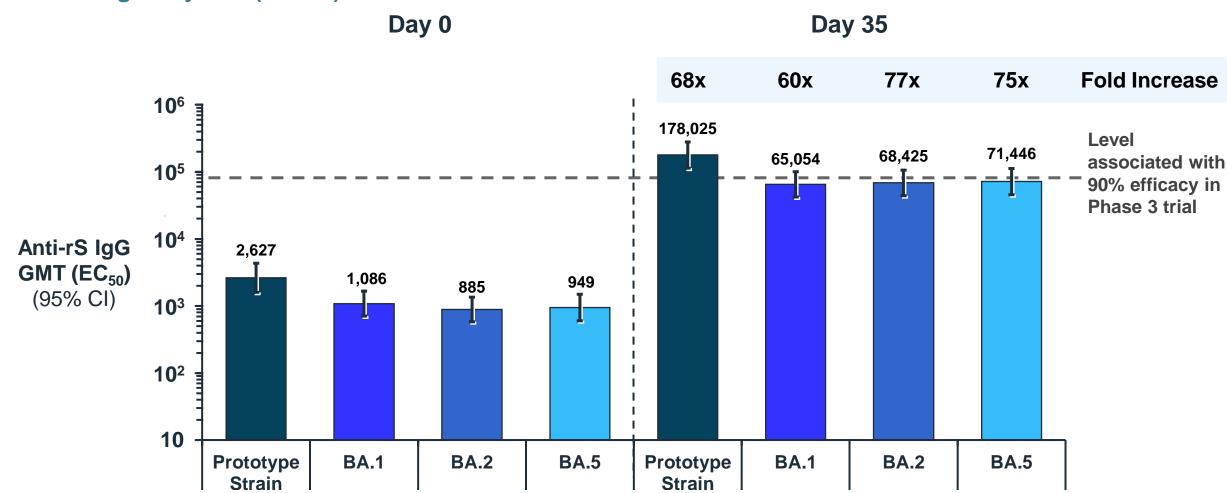
### Robust IgG Titers Against Omicron Sub-variants Achieved with Boosting using Prototype Strain Vaccine

Median age 51 – 53 years; participants without evidence of infection



#### Robust IgG Titers Against Omicron Sub-variants After Primary Series in COVID-19 Infected Individuals

Median age 61 years (N = 30)

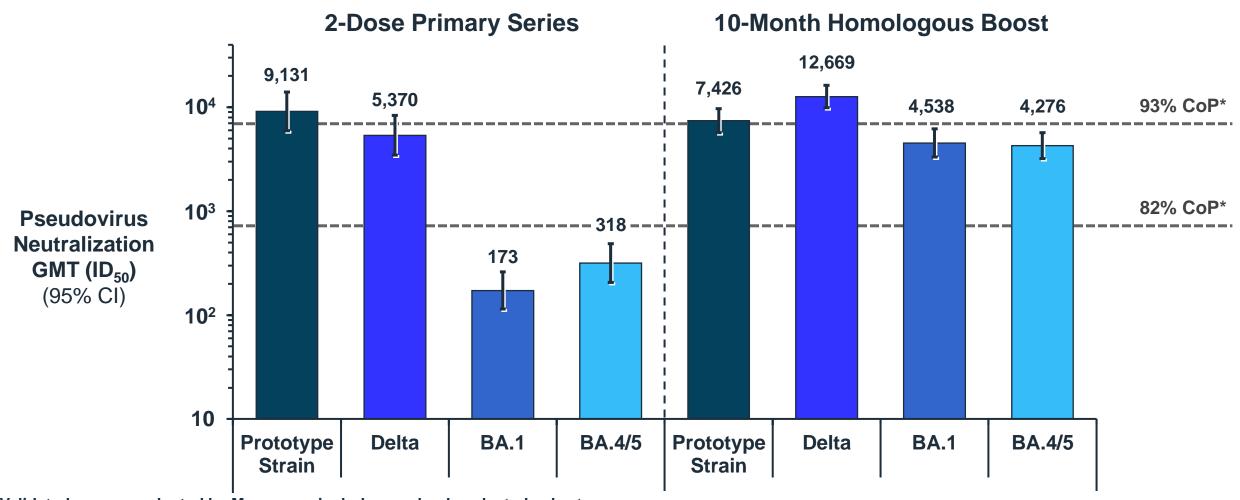


# Homologous Boosting US Adolescent Phase 3 Study

Participants received 2-dose primary series Boosted ~10 months after primary series

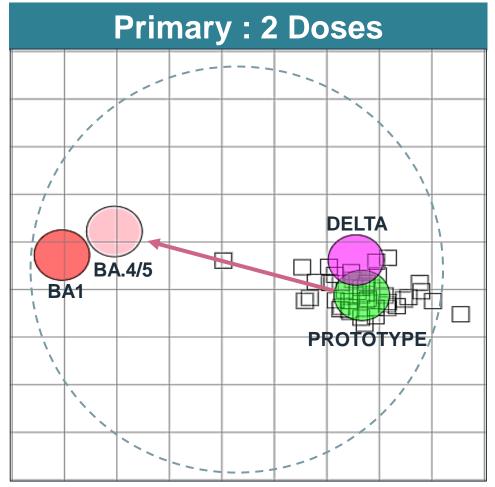
## Robust Neutralization Responses in Adolescents After Boosting

12 - 17 years (N = 45)

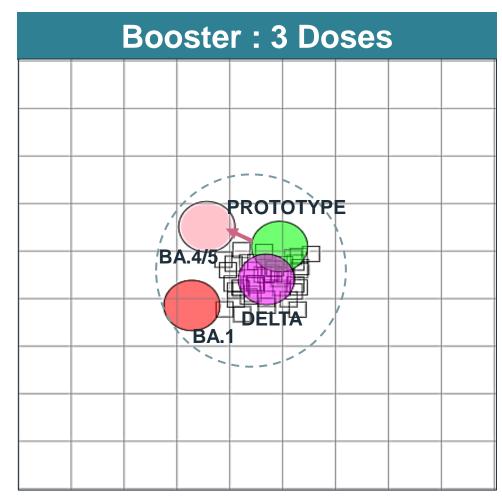


Validated assay conducted by Monogram includes randomly selected cohort \*Correlates of Protection inferred from Fong et al., 2022

### **Antigenic Cartography of Pseudovirus Neutralization Responses for Adolescents**



Fold-Difference: Prototype → BA.4/5 = 28.8



Fold-Difference: Prototype → BA.4/5 = 1.74

Note: each large square on the grid represents a 2-fold difference in neutralizing responses

### **Heterologous Boost**

Study 311 (Australia)

**Strain Change Study** 

## Study Design: Boost with Either Prototype, BA.1, or Bivalent Vaccine

- Participants previously received 2 or 3 doses of mRNA vaccine
- 832 participants randomized to be boosted with different Novavax vaccines
  - Prototype strain
  - Omicron monovalent BA.1
  - Bivalent (Prototype + Omicron BA.1)
- Primary endpoint in individuals with 3 prior mRNA vaccine doses

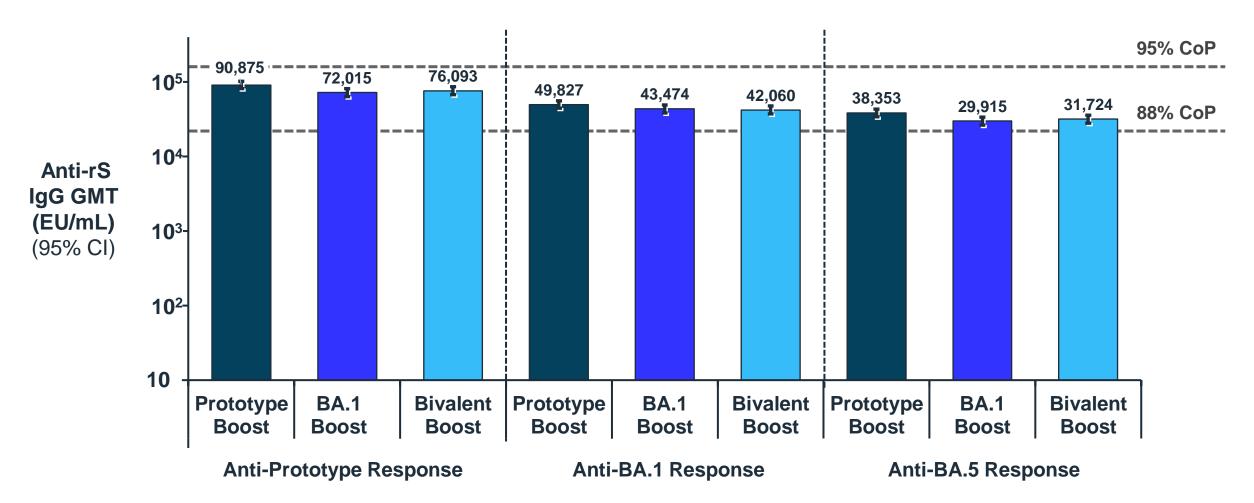
### **Demographics and Baseline Characteristics**

Participants previously received 3 doses of mRNA vaccine

	BA.1 Vaccine (N = 258)	Prototype Strain Vaccine (N = 251)	Bivalent Vaccine (N = 240)
Age (years) - Median (range)	42 (18 – 64)	41 (18 – 64)	41 (18 – 64)
Female	54%	51%	55%
Race			
White	81%	78%	81%
Asian	14%	17%	15%
Other	3%	3%	3%
Previous Vaccine Pfizer x 3	77%	77%	73%
Previous Vaccine Pfizer x 2, Moderna	22%	21%	25%
Anti-N or PCR positive	51%	53%	51%
Median Interval to Boost (Days)	177	182	180

### IgG Antibody Responses Similar at Day 14, Independent of Vaccine Formulation

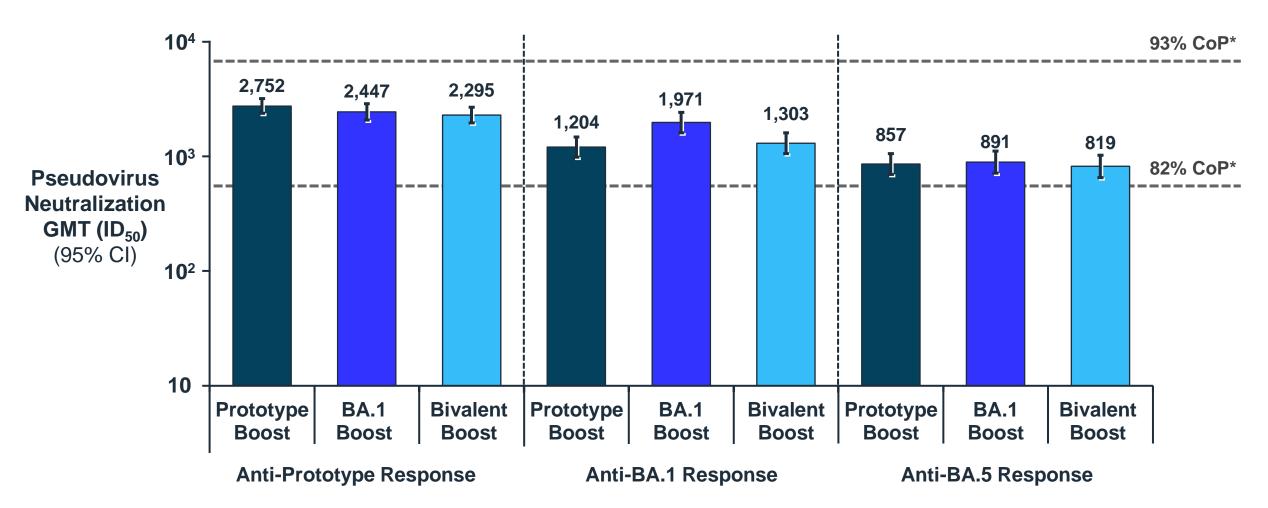
Primed with mRNA x 3 and boosted with Novavax prototype strain, BA.1, or bivalent vaccine



<sup>\*</sup>Correlates of Protection inferred from Fong et al., 2022. Validated assays performed at Novavax Immunology includes all participants

### Neutralization Titers Similar at Day 28, Independent of Vaccine Formulation

Primed with mRNA x 3 and boosted with Novavax prototype strain, BA.1, or bivalent vaccine



<sup>\*</sup>Correlates of Protection inferred from Fong et al., 2022. Validated assays performed at Monogram includes all participants

### **Heterologous Boost**

**Study 307 (US)** 

Lot-to-Lot Consistency Study

### **Study Design: Lot-to-Lot Consistency**

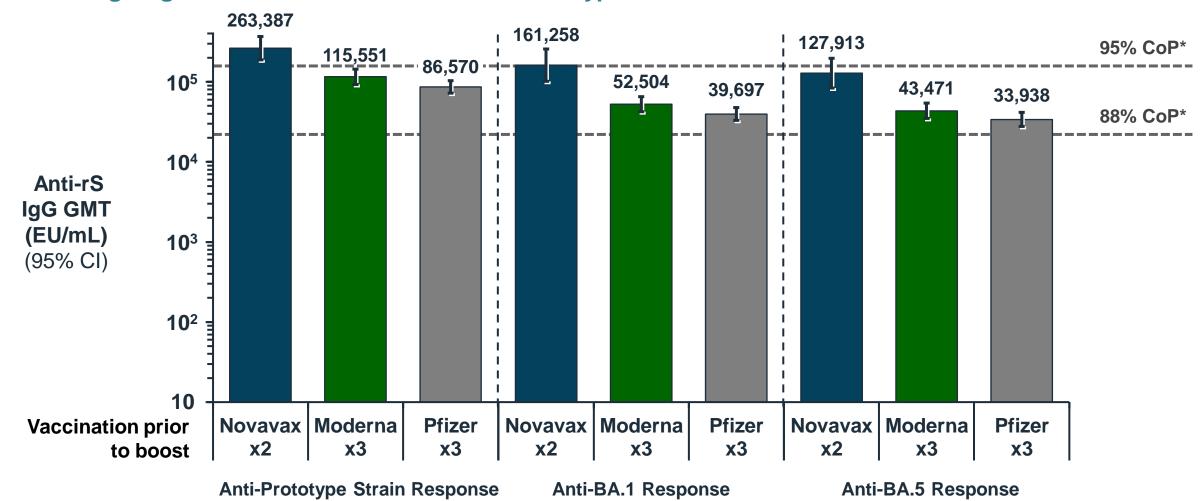
- 911 participants with no history of COVID-19 in prior 4 months
- Prior to enrollment
  - 2 or 3 doses of COVID-19 vaccine with last dose
    - > 6 months prior
- After enrollment
  - Boosted with 1 of 3 different lots of Novavax vaccine
  - Immunologic assessment at Day 28

#### **Demographics and Baseline Characteristics**

	Novavax x 2 (N = 7)	Moderna x 3 (N = 59)	Pfizer x 3 (N = 59)
Age (years) – Median (range)	41 (25 – 46)	38 (19 – 49)	40 (18 – 49)
Female	43%	53%	78%
Race			
White	43%	86%	81%
Black or African American	29%	5%	10%
Asian	14%	5%	3%
Other	0%	3%	3%
Ethnicity Hispanic or Latino	0%	17%	17%
Median Interval to Boost (Weeks)	61	33	36

## Novavax Prototype Strain Booster Provides Robust Breadth of Immunity

All Dosing Regimens Boosted with Novavax Prototype Strain Vaccine



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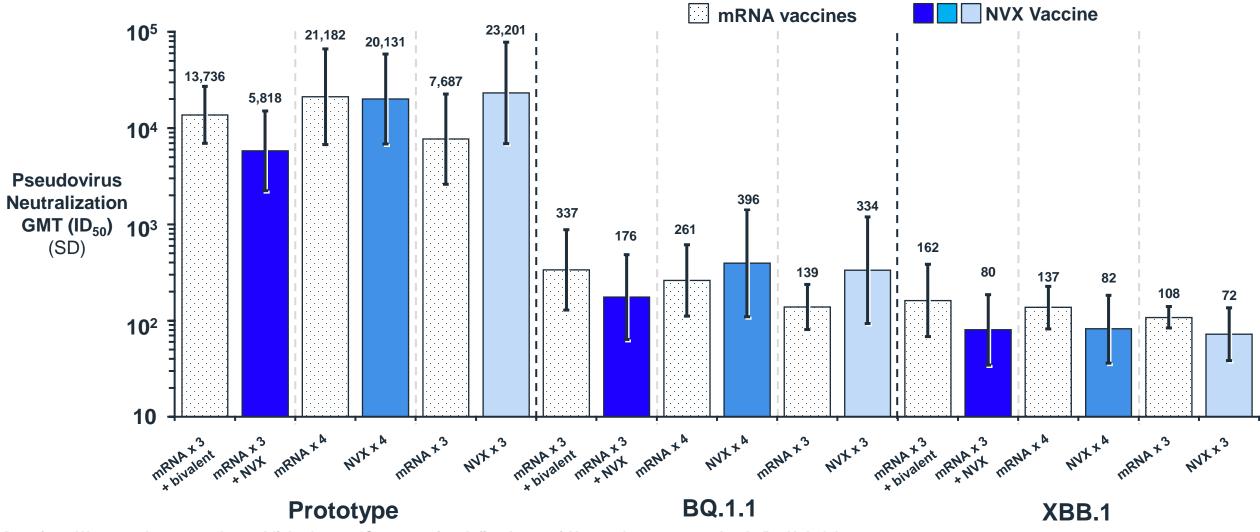
Validated assays performed at Novavax Immunology Lab includes all participants

# Pseudovirus Neutralization Assay for Prototype, BQ.1.1 and XBB.1

Performed at Columbia University
Dr David Ho Laboratory

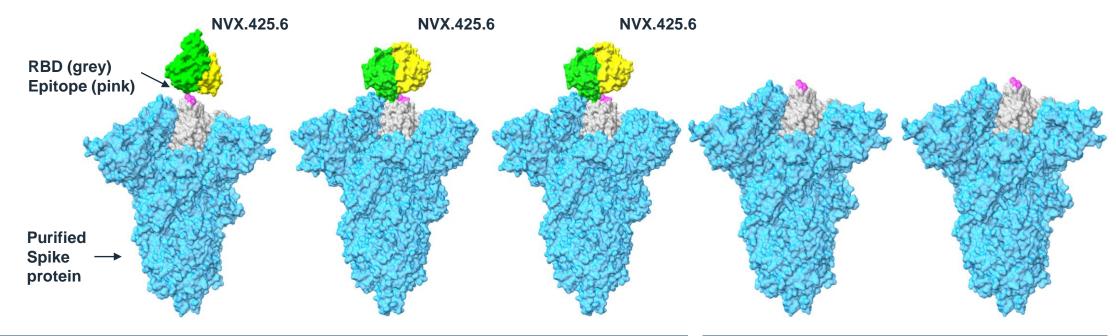
### Pseudovirus Neutralization Responses Observed for BQ.1.1 and XBB.1 (Seronegative Participants\*)

**GMT** levels similar across all boosting regimens



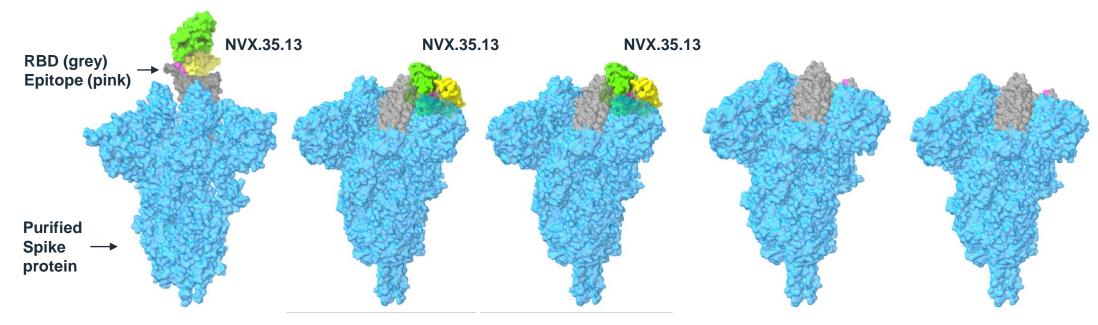
### **Structure - Function Analysis**

## Mutations in Conserved RBD Epitope Impact Monoclonal Antibody Binding and Neutralization



NVX.425.6	Prototype Strain	BA.2	BA.5	BQ.1.1	ХВВ
Epitope RBD Mutations	None	None	None	K444T	K445P, G446S
Neutralization (ng/mL)	7.3	7.3	59	> 10,000	> 10,000

## Mutations in Conserved RBD Epitope Impact Monoclonal Antibody Binding and Neutralization



NVX.35.13	Prototype Strain	BA.2	BA.5	BQ.1.1	XBB
Epitope RBD Mutations	None	None	None	F486V	F486S
Neutralization (ng/mL)	9.8	9.8	> 10,000	> 10,000	> 10,000

#### **Novavax Vaccine Regimens Addressing COVID-19**

- Novavax adjuvanted recombinant protein vaccine induces high levels of broadly neutralizing antibody and polyfunctional Th1-biased CD4+ response
- Conserved epitopes across variants appear to be biological basis for maintaining broad protective immune responses
- Homologous and heterologous boosting with prototype induces relevant responses to variants where conserved epitopes are maintained
- Monovalent and bivalent vaccines perform comparably
- Novavax prototype strain vaccine induces immune responses similar to available bivalent mRNA vaccines
- Vaccine composition update expected to induce protective immune responses for newly emerging forward drift variants

### **Novavax Future Composition and Strain Change**

- Breadth of immune response against future-drift variants makes Novavax technology an appealing choice for future annual vaccination campaigns
- Boosting data indicate comparable performance to currently available vaccines
- Prepared to deliver recommended monovalent or bivalent vaccines for the 2023/24 vaccination season
- Follow influenza model
  - Strain recommendation by end of Q1
  - Recommendation should allow for antigenically-like strain
  - Approach allows for vaccine release and distribution

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