

Table 10: **Nef**

Location	WEAU	Sequence	Immunogen	Species(HLA)	References
Nef(13-20 LAI)	Nef(13-20)	WPTVRERM	HIV-1 infection	human(B8)	[Goulder97c]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unusual epitope for HLA-B8, but compatible with crystal structure predictions</li> </ul>
Nef(61-80)	Nef(60-79)	EEEEVGFPVTPQVPLRPMTY	HIV infection	human	[Lieberman95]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HIV-specific CTL lines developed by <i>ex vivo</i> stimulation with peptide</li> </ul>
Nef(61-80 SF2)	Nef(60-79)	EEEEVGFPVTPQVPLRPMTY	HIV infection	human	[Lieberman97]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Of 25 patients, most had CTL specific for more than 1 HIV-1 protein</li> <li>• 12 subjects had CTL that could recognize vaccinia expressed LAI Nef</li> <li>• Two of these 12 had CTL response to this peptide</li> <li>• The responding subjects were HLA-A11, A24, B8, B35, and HLA not determined</li> </ul>
Nef(61-80 SF2)	Nef(60-79)	EEEEVGFPVTPQVPLRPMTY	HIV-1 infection	human	[Lieberman97b]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CTL expanded <i>ex vivo</i> were later infused into HIV-1 infected patients</li> </ul>
Nef(66-80 BRU)	Nef(64-78)	VGFPVTPQVPLRMT	HIV-1 infection	human(A1,B8)	[Hadida92]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HIV-1 specific CTLs detected in lymphoid organs of HIV-1 infected patients</li> </ul>
Nef(68-77 LAI)	Nef(66-75)	FPVTPQVPLR	HIV-1 infection	human(B7)	[Haas96]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There was a high degree of variation in three CTL epitopes in Nef in four slow and non-progressors, and variant specific CTLs arose over time to eliminate variants, indicating immune selection</li> </ul>
Nef(72-80 SF2)	Nef(66-74)	FPVRRPQVPL	HIV-1 infection	human(B35)	[Shiga96]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Binds HLA-B*3501</li> </ul>

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Location	WEAU	Sequence	Immunogen	Species(HLA)	References
Nef(72-80 SF2)	Nef(66-74) <b>NOTES:</b>	FPVRRPQVPL	HIV-1 infection	human(B*3501)	[Tomiyama97]
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A CTL clone responsive to this epitope was obtained</li> <li>• 3/7 B35 positive individuals had a CTL response to this epitope</li> <li>• An R to T substitution at position 4 abrogates specific lysis, but not binding to B*3501</li> </ul>				
Nef(75-85 SF2)	Nef(69-79) <b>NOTES:</b>	RPQVPLRPMTY	HIV-1 infection	human(B35)	[Shiga96]
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Binds HLA-B*3501</li> </ul>				
Nef(75-85 SF2)	Nef(69-79) <b>NOTES:</b>	RPQVPLRPMTY	HIV-1 infection	human(B*3501)	[Tomiyama97]
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A CTL clone responsive to this epitope was obtained</li> <li>• 4/7 B35 positive individuals had a strong CTL response to this epitope</li> <li>• An R to T substitution at position 1 abrogates specific lysis, but not binding to B*3501</li> <li>• An R to H substitution at position 7 did not alter reactivity</li> </ul>				
Nef(71-90 SF2)	Nef(70-89) <b>NOTES:</b>	PQVPLRMTYKAAVDLSHFL	HIV-1 infection	human	[Lieberman97]
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Of 25 patients, most had CTL specific for more than 1 HIV-1 protein</li> <li>• 11 subjects had CTL that could recognize vaccinia expressed LAI Nef</li> <li>• Three of these 11 had CTL response to this peptide</li> <li>• The responding subjects were HLA-A3, A32, B51, B62; HLA-A11, A24, B8, B53</li> </ul>				
Nef(71-90 SF2)	Nef(70-89) <b>NOTES:</b>	PQVPLRPMTYKAAVDLSHFL	HIV-1 infection	human	[Lieberman97b]
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CTL expanded <i>ex vivo</i> were later infused into HIV-1 infected patients</li> </ul>				
Nef(73-82 LAI)	Nef(71-80) <b>NOTES:</b>	QVPLRPMTYK		human(B27)	[CulmannPerCom]
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Optimal epitope mapped by peptide titration</li> </ul>				

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Location	WEAU	Sequence	Immunogen	Species(HLA)	References
Nef(73-82)	Nef(71-80)	QVPLRPMTYK	HIV-1 infection	human(A3)	[Durat98]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cross-clade CTL response was studied by determining the CTL activity in seven patients from Bangui, (6 A subtype, and 1 AG recombinant infections) and one A subtype infection from a person living in France originally from Togo, to different antigens expressed in vaccinia</li> <li>• Pol reactivity: 8/8 had CTL to A subtype, and 7/8 to B subtype, and HIV-2 Pol was not tested</li> <li>• Gag reactivity: 7/8 reacted with A or B subtype gag, 3/8 with HIV-2 Gag</li> <li>• Nef reactivity: 7/8 reacted with A subtype, and 5/8 with B subtype, none with HIV-2 Nef</li> <li>• Env reactivity: 3/8 reacted with A subtype, 1/8 with B subtype, none with HIV-2 Env</li> <li>• One of the patients was shown to react to this epitope: QVPLRPMTYK</li> </ul>
Nef(73-82 NL43)	Nef(71-80)	QVPLRPMTYK	HIV-1 infection	human(A3.1)	[Koenig90]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tyr is critical for binding to A3.1</li> </ul>
Nef(73-82 BRU)	Nef(71-80)	QVPLRPMTYK	HIV-1 infection	human(A3,A11, B35)	[Culmann91]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nef CTL clones from HIV+ donors</li> </ul>
Nef(73-82 LAI)	Nef(71-80)	QVPLRPMTYK	HIV-1 infection	human(A2?)	[Robertson93]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of a retroviral vector (pNeoNef) to generate autologous CTL targets</li> <li>• [Hunziker98] suggests that HLA-A2 does not in fact present this epitope, in spite of the suggestion in this study that it did – also see [Brander98b]</li> </ul>
Nef(73-82 LAI)	Nef(71-80)	QVPLRPMTYK	HIV-1 infection	human(A11)	[Coullin94, Goulder97e]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mutational variation in HIV epitopes in individuals with appropriate HLA types can result in evasion of CTL response</li> <li>• [Goulder97e] is a review of immune escape that summarizes this study</li> </ul>
Nef(73-82 LAI)	Nef(71-80)	QVPLRPMTYK	HIV-1 infection	human(A11)	[Coullin95]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mutations found in this epitope in HLA-A11 positive and negative donors were characterized</li> </ul>

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Location	WEAU	Sequence	Immunogen	Species(HLA)	References
Nef(73-82 LAD)	Nef(71-80)	QVPLRPMITYK	HIV-1 infection	human(A3)	[Goulder'97, Goulder'97e]
	<b>NOTES:</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identical twin hemophilic brothers were both infected with the same batch of factor VIII</li> <li>• Both had a response to this epitope</li> <li>• [Goulder'97e] is a review of immune escape that summarizes this study</li> </ul>		
Nef(73-82)	Nef(71-80)	QVPLRPMITYK	HIV-1 infection	human(A3)	[Lubaki97]
	<b>NOTES:</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 82 HIV-1-specific CTL clones from 5 long term non-progressors were isolated and analyzed for breadth of response</li> <li>• A sustained Gag, Env and Nef response was observed, and clones were restricted by multiple HLA epitopes, indicating a polyclonal response</li> <li>• An A3+ subject had a strong response to this epitope, with 10/11 CTL clones being specific for this epitope, isolated at two time points, 1 year apart</li> </ul>		
Nef(73-82)	Nef(71-80)	QVPLRPMITYK	HIV infection	human	[Garcia97]
	<b>NOTES:</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The anti-Nef CTL line P1 specific for this epitope is able to kill target cells via two mechanisms</li> <li>• First: Ca<sup>2+</sup>-dependent, perforin-dependent Nef-specific lysis</li> <li>• Second: Ca<sup>2+</sup>-independent, CD95-dependent apoptosis that could also kill non-specific targets</li> <li>• Findings indicate that the two mechanisms are not mutually exclusive in human CTL, as they are in mice</li> <li>• CTL mediated CD95-dependent apoptosis may play a role in pathogenesis</li> </ul>		
Nef(73-82 LAD)	Nef(71-80)	QVPLRPMITYK	HIV-1 infection	human(A3.1)	[Koenig95]
	<b>NOTES:</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alanine substitutions L76A, R77A, M79A, T80A significantly decreased immunogenicity of peptide</li> <li>• Nef CTL clones (4N225) were infused into an HIV-1 infected volunteer to evaluate effects of infusion on viral load/patient health</li> <li>• Infusion led to outburst of escape variants which resulted in higher viral load/accelerated disease progression</li> </ul>		
Nef(73-82)	Nef(72-80)	VPLRPMITYK	no CTL shown	human(A11)	[Zhang93]
	<b>NOTES:</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exploration of A11 binding motif</li> </ul>		

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Location	WEAU	Sequence	Immunogen	Species(HLA)	References
Nef(73-82 LAI)	Nef(72-79)	VPLRPMTTY	HIV-1 or HIV-2 infection	human(B35)	[McMichael94]
	<b>NOTES:</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review of HIV CTL epitopes – defined by B35 motif found within a larger peptide</li> </ul>		
Nef(73-82 LAI)	Nef(72-79)	VPLRPMTTY	HIV-1 or -2 infection	human(B35)	[RowlandJones95]
	<b>NOTES:</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>VPLRPMTTY also recognized by CTL from HIV-2 seropositives, epitope is conserved</li> </ul>		
Nef	Nef(72-79)	VPLRPMTTY	HIV-1 exposure	human(B35)	[RowlandJones98]
	<b>NOTES:</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A CTL response was found in exposed but uninfected prostitutes from Nairobi using previously defined B clade epitopes that tended to be conserved in A and D clades – such cross-reactivity could protect against both A and D and confer protection in Nairobi where both subtypes are circulating</li> <li>The A and D subtype consensus are identical to the B clade epitope</li> </ul>		
Nef(75-82)	Nef(72-79)	VPLRPMTTY	none	human(B35)	[Lalvani97]
	<b>NOTES:</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A peptide based protocol was optimized for restimulation of CTLp using optimized peptide and IL-7 concentrations – importantly this protocol does not stimulate a primary response, only secondary – peptide-specific CTLp counts could be obtained via staining with peptide-Class I tetramers</li> <li>This peptide was one of the B35 presented test peptides used in control experiments showing that the assay gave no activity using lymphocytes from 21 healthy B35 seronegative donors</li> </ul>		
Nef(75-82)	Nef(72-79)	VPLRPMTTY	no CTL shown	human(B*3501)	[Smith96]
	<b>NOTES:</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Crystal structure of VPLRPMTTY-class I B allele HLA-A-B*3501 complex</li> </ul>		
Nef(74-82)	Nef(72-79)	VPLRPMTTY		human(A3)	[Carreno92]
	<b>NOTES:</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Included in HLA-A3 binding peptide competition study</li> </ul>		

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Location	WEAU	Sequence	Immunogen	Species(HLA)	References
Nef(75-82 LAI)	Nef(73-80) <b>NOTES:</b> • Review of HIV CTL epitopes	PLRPMTTYK	HIV-1 infection	human(A11)	[McMichael94]
Nef(77-85 LAI)	Nef(75-83) <b>NOTES:</b> • Structural constraints on the Nef protein may prevent escape	RPMTTYKAAL	HIV-1 infection	human(B7)	[Bauer97]
Nef(81-100 SF2)	Nef(80-99) <b>NOTES:</b> • Of 25 patients, most had CTL specific for more than 1 HIV-1 protein • 11 subjects had CTL that could recognize vaccinia expressed LAI Nef • Three of these 11 had CTL response to this peptide • The responding subjects were HLA-A1, A2, B8, B14; HLA-A11, A24, B8, B53	KAAVDLSHFLKEKGLEGLI	HIV-1 infection	human	[Lieberman97]
Nef(83-94 BRU)	Nef(81-92) <b>NOTES:</b> • Epitope defined by boundaries of overlapping peptides that stimulate Nef CTL clones	AAVDLSHFLEKEK	HIV-1 infection	human(A11)	[Culmann91]
Nef(84-92 LAI)	Nef(82-90) <b>NOTES:</b> • Review of HIV CTL epitopes	AVDLSHFLK	HIV-1 infection	human(A11)	[McMichael94]
Nef(84-92 LAI)	Nef(82-90) <b>NOTES:</b> • Mutational variation in HIV epitopes in individuals with appropriate HLA types can result in evasion of CTL response • [Goulder97e] is a review of immune escape that summarizes this study	AVDLSHFLK	HIV-1 infection	human(A11)	[Coulilin94, Goulder97e]
Nef(84-92 LAI)	Nef(82-90) <b>NOTES:</b> • Mutations found in this epitope in HLA-A11 positive and negative donors were characterized	AVDLSHFLK	HIV-1 infection	human(A11)	[Coulilin95]

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Location	WEAU	Sequence	Immunogen	Species(HLA)	References
Nef(84-91 LAI)	Nef(82-89)	AVDLSHFL	HIV-1 infection	human(Bw62)	[CulmannPenciolelli94]
Nef(86-100 LAI)	Nef(84-98)	DLSHFLKEKGGLEGL	HIV-1 infection	human(B35)	[Buseyne93]
Nef(86-100 LAI)	Nef(84-98)	DLSHFLKEKGGLEGL	HIV-1 infection	human(A2)	[Robertson93]
					<b>NOTES:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Development of a retroviral vector (pNeoNef) to generate autologous targets</li> </ul>
Nef(84-92 LAI)	Nef(84-92)	DLSHFLKEK	HIV-1 infection	human(A3.1)	[McMichael94]
					<b>NOTES:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review of HIV CTL epitopes</li> </ul>
Nef(89-97 LAI)	Nef(88-95)	FLKEKGGGL	HIV-1 infection	human(B8)	[Price97]
					<b>NOTES:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CTL escape variants appeared over time in HLA-B8 HIV-1+ individual, providing evidence for immune escape</li> <li>Most variants appear at position 5, an anchor residue</li> <li>FLKE(ENQ)GGL showed reduced binding efficiency and recognition</li> <li>Double mutants (FIKENGGGL, FLEENGGGL, and FLKGNNGGL) completely escaped recognition</li> <li>[Goulder97e] is a review of immune escape that summarizes this study in the context of CTL escape to fixation</li> </ul>
Nef	Nef(88-95)	FLKEKGGGL	Multi-epitope gene in VVA	human(B8)	[Hanke98c, Hanke98b]
					<b>NOTES:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This epitope was shown to be processed and presented to appropriate CTL clones upon infection of human target cells with vaccinia virus Ankara (VVA) carrying 20 HIV-1 epitopes recognized by humans</li> </ul>
Nef(88-95)	Nef(88-95)	FLKEKGGGL	HIV-1 infection	human(B8)	[Goulder97c]
					<b>NOTES:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Natural variants for this epitope have been observed in several donors</li> <li>Substitutions Q5, N5, E5 that alter anchor position 5 are not well recognized</li> <li>Substitution I2 binds well to B8 and is recognized</li> </ul>

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Location	WEAU	Sequence	Immunogen	Species(HLA)	References
Nef(93-106 BRU)	Nef(91-104)	EKGLEGLHSQRR	HIV-1 infection	human(A1,B8)	[Hadida92]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HIV-1 specific CTLs detected in lymphoid organs of HIV-1 infected patients</li> </ul>
Nef(102-115 LAI)	Nef(100-113)	HSQRRQDILDWLY	HIV-1 infection	human(B7)	[Goulder97, Goulder97e]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identical twin hemophilic brothers were both infected with the same batch of factor VIII</li> <li>• One had a strong response to this peptide, the other did not</li> <li>• [Goulder97e] is a review of immune escape that summarizes this study</li> </ul>
Nef(101-120 SF2)	Nef(100-119)	HSQRRQDILDLYHTQGYF	HIV-1 infection	human	[Lieberman97]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Of 25 patients, most had CTL specific for more than 1 HIV-1 protein</li> <li>• 11 subjects had CTL that could recognize vaccinia expressed LAI Nef</li> <li>• Two of these 11 had CTL response to this peptide</li> <li>• The responding subjects were HLA-A2, A3, B8, B62 and HLA-A2, B21</li> </ul>
Nef(103-127 PV22)	Nef(101-125)	SQRRQDILDWLYHTQGYF YFPDWQNY	HIV-1 infection	human(B13)	[Jassoy93]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HIV-1 specific CTLs release <math>\gamma</math>-IFN, and <math>\alpha</math>- and <math>\beta</math>-TNF</li> </ul>
Nef(105-114 LAI)	Nef(103-112)	RRQDILDLWI	HIV-1 infection	human(B*2705)	[Goulder97d]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Defined as optimal epitope from within reactive peptide HSQRRQDILDWLYHTQGYF [Nef(102-121 LAI)]</li> <li>• HLA-B*2705 is associated with slow HIV disease progression</li> <li>• The HLA-B*2705 binding motif includes R at position 2, and L in the C-term position</li> </ul>
Nef(111-132)	Nef(110-131)	LWYHTQGYFPDWQNYT- PGPGV	HIV infection	human	[Lieberman95]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HIV-specific CTL lines developed by <i>ex vivo</i> stimulation with peptide</li> </ul>



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Location	WEAU	Sequence	Immunogen	Species(HLA)	References
Nef(111-132 SF2)	Nef(110-131)	LWYHTQGYFPDWQNYT- PGPGV	HIV infection	human	[Lieberman97]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Of 25 patients, most had CTL specific for more than 1 HIV-1 protein</li> <li>• 11 subjects had CTL that could recognize vaccinia expressed LAI Nef</li> <li>• Four of these 11 had CTL response to this peptide</li> <li>• The responding subjects were HLA-A2, B21; HLA-A1, A3, B7, B15; HLA-A2, A26, B7, B38</li> </ul>				
Nef(111-132 SF2)	Nef(110-131)	LWYHTQGYFPDWQNYT- PGPGV	HIV-1 infection	human	[Lieberman97b]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CTL expanded <i>ex vivo</i> were later infused into HIV-1 infected patients</li> </ul>				
Nef(113-128 BRU)	Nef(111-126)	WYHTQGYFPDWQNYT	HIV-1 infection	human(A1)	[Hadida92]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HIV-1 specific CTLs detected in lymphoid organs of HIV-1 infected patients</li> </ul>				
Nef(113-125 BRU)	Nef(111-123)	WYHTQGYFPDWQ	HIV-1 infection	human(B17)	[Culmann89]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nef CTL clones from HIV+ donors</li> </ul>				
Nef(115-125 BRU)	Nef(113-123)	YHTQGYFPDWQ	HIV-1 infection	human(B17)	[Culmann91]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nef CTL clones from HIV+ donors</li> </ul>				
Nef(116-125 BRU)	Nef(114-123)	HTQGYFPDWQ	HIV-1 infection	human(B57)	[Culmann91]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nef CTL clones from HIV+ donors, optimal peptide mapped</li> </ul>				
Nef(117-128 BRU)	Nef(115-126)	TQGYFPDWQNYT	HIV-1 infection	human(B17,B37)	[Culmann91]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nef CTL clones from HIV+ donors</li> </ul>				

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Nef(117-127 LAI)	Nef(115-125) <b>NOTES:</b> • Optimal peptide defined by titration, B. Culmann, per. comm.	TQGYFPDWQNY	HIV-1 infection	human(Bw62)	[CulmannPerCom]
Nef(118-127 LAI)	Nef(116-125) <b>NOTES:</b> • Review of HIV CTL epitopes	QGYFPDWQNY		human(Bw62)	[McMichael94]
Nef(120-128 IIIB)	Nef(118-126) <b>NOTES:</b> • Epitope defined in the context of the Pediatric AIDS Foundation ARIEL Project, a mother-infant HIV transmission study • FFPDWKKNYT, a naturally occurring variant, was found in mother and infant and was recognized • LFPDWKKNYT, a naturally occurring variant, was found in infant and is not recognized	YFPDWQNYT	HIV-1 infection	human	[Walkerpercom96]
Nef(120-128 LAI)	Nef(118-126) <b>NOTES:</b> • Nef CTL clones from HIV+ donors – optimum peptide mapped by titration	YFPDWQNYT	HIV-1 infection	human(B37, B57)	[CulmannPerCom]
Nef(120-144 SF2)	Nef(118-142) <b>NOTES:</b> • Epitope recognized by CTL clone derived from CSF	YFPDWQNYTPPGGIRYP- LTFGWQCYK	HIV-1 infection	human(A24)	[Jassoy92]
Nef(121-140 SF2)	Nef(120-139) <b>NOTES:</b> • Of 25 patients, most had CTL specific for more than 1 HIV-1 protein • 11 subjects had CTL that could recognize vaccinia expressed LAI Nef • Three of these 11 had CTL response to this peptide • The responding subjects were HLA-A2, B21; HLA-A3, A24, B7, B38	PDWQNYTPPGVRYPLTFGW	HIV-1 infection	human	[Lieberman97]

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Location	WEAU	Sequence	Immunogen	Species(HLA)	References
Nef(123-137 IIB)	Nef(121-135)	QWQNYTTPGGVRYPL	HIV-1 infection	human	[Walkerpercom96]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Epitope defined in the context of the Pediatric AIDS Foundation ARIEL Project, a mother-infant HIV transmission study</li> <li>• FFPDYTPGGPTRFPL and FFPDYKPPGGTRFPL, naturally occurring variants, were found in mother and are not recognized</li> <li>• LFPDYKPPGGTRFPL and FFPDYKPPGGTRFPL, naturally occurring variants, were found in infant and are not recognized</li> </ul>
Nef(126-138 BRU)	Nef(124-136)	NYTPPGVRYPLT	HIV-1 infection	human(B7)	[Culmann91]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nef CTL clones from HIV+ donors</li> </ul>
Nef(128-137 LAI)	Nef(126-135)	TPGPGVRYPL	HIV-1 infection	human(B7)	[Haas96, Haas97]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There was a high degree of variation in three CTL epitopes in Nef in four slow and non-progressors, and variant specific CTLs arose over time to eliminate variants, indicating immune selection</li> <li>• The epitope position was taken from [Haas97]</li> </ul>
Nef	Nef(126-135)	TPGPGVRYPL	HIV-1 exposure	human(B7)	[RowlandJones98]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A CTL response was found in exposed but uninfected prostitutes from Nairobi using previously defined B clade epitopes that tended to be conserved in A and D clades – such cross-reactivity could protect against both A and D and confer protection in Nairobi where both subtypes are circulating</li> <li>• The D subtype consensus is identical to the B clade epitope</li> <li>• The A subtype consensus is TPGGIRYPL</li> </ul>
Nef(130-143 LAI)	Nef(128-141)	GGVRYPLTFGWCY	HIV-1 infection	human(B*57)	[Goulder96]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CTL response to this epitope observed in 4 long term survivors</li> <li>• Peptide defined on the basis of B*5801 binding motif, yet not cross-restricted except at high concentrations</li> </ul>

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Nef(132-147 BRU)	Nef(130-145)	GVRYPLTFGWCYKLVLP	HIV-1 infection	human(A1,B8)	[Haddad92]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HIV-1 specific CTLs detected in lymphoid organs</li> </ul>
Nef(132-147 BRU)	Nef(130-145)	GVRYPLTFGWCYKLVLP	HIV-1 infection	human(B18)	[Culmann91]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nef CTL clones from HIV+ donors</li> </ul>
Nef(133-148 LAI)	Nef(131-146)	VRYPPLTFGWCYKLVPPV		human(B57)	[Brandner96]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• P. Goulder, pers. comm.</li> </ul>
Nef(134-144 LAI)	Nef(132-142)	RYPLTFGCYK	HIV-1 infection	human(B18)	[Couliln94, Goulder97e]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mutational variation in HIV epitopes in individuals with appropriate HLA types can result in evasion of CTL response</li> <li>• [Goulder97e] is a review of immune escape that summarizes this study</li> </ul>
Nef(138-147 SF2)	Nef(132-141)	RYPLTFGWC	HIV-1 infection	human(A*2402)	[IkedaMoore97]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Defined using reverse immunogenetics – 59 HLA-A*2402 binding peptides were predicted by searching for A*2402 anchors in HIV proteins, (Tyr at 2, and Phe, Leu or Ile at the C term) – 53 of the 59 peptides bound A*2402</li> <li>• This peptide induced CTL in 3/4 HIV-1+ people tested</li> <li>• RYPLTFGWC bound to A*2402 strongly, the epitope can be processed in a vaccinia construct and presented – two specific CTL clones were obtained</li> </ul>
Nef(134-141 LAI)	Nef(132-139)	RYPLTFGW		human(B27)	[CulmannPerCom]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Optimal peptide defined by titration</li> </ul>

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Nef(139-147 SF2)	Nef(133-141)	YPLTFGWC <sup>F</sup>	HIV-1 infection	human(B35)	[Shiga96]
	<b>NOTES:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Binds HLA-B*3501</li> </ul>			
Nef	Nef(133-141)	YPLTFGWC <sup>Y</sup>	HIV-1 exposure	human(B49)	[RowlandJones98]
	<b>NOTES:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A CTL response was found in exposed but uninfected prostitutes from Nairobi using previously defined B clade epitopes that tended to be conserved in A and D clades – such cross-reactivity could protect against both A and D and confer protection in Nairobi where both subtypes are circulating</li> <li>• The A subtype consensus is identical to the B clade epitope</li> <li>• The D subtype consensus is YPLTFGWC<sup>F</sup></li> </ul>			
Nef(135-143)	Nef(133-141)	YPLTFGWC <sup>Y</sup>	HIV-1 exposure	human(B18)	[Culmann91, CulmannPencioelli94]
	<b>NOTES:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nef CTL clones from HIV+ donors</li> </ul>			
Nef(136-145)	Nef(134-143)	PLTFGWC <sup>F</sup> KL	HIV-1 infection	human(A2)	[Durall98]
	<b>NOTES:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cross-clade CTL response was studied by determining the CTL activity in seven patients from Bangui, (6 A subtype, and 1 AG recombinant infections) and one A subtype infection from a person living in France originally from Togo, to different antigens expressed in vaccinia</li> <li>• Pol reactivity: 8/8 had CTL to A subtype, and 7/8 to B subtype, and HIV-2 Pol was not tested</li> <li>• Gag reactivity: 7/8 reacted with A or B subtype gag, 3/8 with HIV-2 Gag</li> <li>• Nef reactivity: 7/8 reacted with A subtype, and 5/8 with B subtype, none with HIV-2 Nef</li> <li>• Env reactivity: 3/8 reacted with A subtype, 1/8 with B subtype, none with HIV-2 Env</li> <li>• Patient B18 had the greatest breadth and diversity of response, and recognized Gag SLXNTVATL and Nef PLTFGWC<sup>F</sup>KL</li> </ul>			
Nef(161-180)	Nef(160-179)	TSLLHPVSLHGMDPPER <sup>E</sup> VL	HIV infection	human	[Lieberman95]
	<b>NOTES:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HIV-specific CTL lines developed by <i>ex vivo</i> stimulation with peptide</li> </ul>			

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Nef(161-180 SF2)	Nef(160-179) <b>NOTES:</b>	TSLLHPVSLHGMDPPEREVL	HIV infection	human	[Lieberman97]
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Of 25 patients, most had CTL specific for more than 1 HIV-1 protein</li> <li>• 11 subjects had CTL that could recognize vaccinia expressed LAI Nef</li> <li>• One of these 11 had CTL response to this peptide</li> </ul>		
Nef(101-120 SF2)	Nef(160-179) <b>NOTES:</b>	TSLLHPVSLHGMDPPEREVL	HIV-1 infection	human	[Lieberman97b]
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CTL expanded <i>ex vivo</i> were later infused into HIV-1 infected patients</li> </ul>		
Nef(161-180 SF2)	Nef(160-179) <b>NOTES:</b>	TSLLHPVSLHGMDPPEREVL	HIV infection	human	[Lieberman97]
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Of 25 patients, most had CTL specific for more than 1 HIV-1 protein</li> <li>• 11 subjects had CTL that could recognize vaccinia expressed LAI Nef</li> <li>• One of these 11 had CTL response to this peptide</li> </ul>		
Nef(171-190 SF2)	Nef(170-189) <b>NOTES:</b>	GMDDPEREVLEWRFDSRLAF	HIV-1 infection	human	[Lieberman97]
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Of 25 patients, most had CTL specific for more than 1 HIV-1 protein</li> <li>• 11 subjects had CTL that could recognize vaccinia expressed LAI Nef</li> <li>• One of these 11 had CTL response to this peptide</li> <li>• The responding subject was HLA-A2, B21</li> </ul>		
Nef(180-189 LAI)	Nef(178-187) <b>NOTES:</b>	VLEWRFDSRL	HIV-1 infection	human(A2)	[Haas96, Haas97]
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There was a high degree of variation in three CTL epitopes in Nef in four slow and non-progressors, and variant specific CTLs arose over time to eliminate variants, indicating immune selection</li> </ul>		
Nef(182-198 BRU)	Nef(180-196) <b>NOTES:</b>	EWRFDSRLAFHHVAREL	HIV-1 infection	human(A1,B8)	[Hadida92]
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HIV-1 specific CTLs detected in lymphoid organs of HIV-1 infected patients</li> </ul>		

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Nef(182-198 BRU)	Nef(180-196)	EWRFDSRLAFHHVAREL	HIV-1 infection	human(A25)	[Cheynier92]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CTL isolated in children born to HIV-1 positive mothers</li> </ul>
Nef(182-198 LAI)	Nef(180-196)	EWRFDSRLAFHHVAREL	HIV-1 infection	human(B35)	[Hadida95]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The C-terminal region of Nef (182-205) contains multiple CTL epitopes with 5 distinct HLA restrictions</li> </ul>
Nef(182-198 LAI)	Nef(180-196)	EWRFDSRLAFHHVAREL	HIV-1 infection	human(A1,A25(10))	[Hadida95]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The C-terminal region of Nef (182-205) contains multiple CTL epitopes with 5 distinct HLA restrictions</li> </ul>
Nef(182-198 LAI)	Nef(180-196)	EWRFDSRLAFHHVAREL	Rec Mengo virus- HIV 1 Nef 65-206	murine(H-2 <sup>d</sup> )	[VanderRyst98]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Macaca mulatta did not have a detectable response to this vaccine</li> <li>• Balb/c mice had a weak response to this epitope in the Mengo virus construct – in contrast, HIV-1 Nef induces a strong CTL response in mice when presented in a vaccinia background</li> </ul>
Nef(191-205 SF2)	Nef(180-199)	EWRFDSRLAFHHVARELHPE	HIV-1 infection	human	[Lieberman97]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Of 25 patients, most had CTL specific for more than 1 HIV-1 protein</li> <li>• 11 subjects had CTL that could recognize vaccinia expressed LAI Nef</li> <li>• One of these 11 had CTL response to this peptide</li> <li>• The responding subject was HLA-A2, B21</li> </ul>
Nef(186-193 LAI)	Nef(184-191)	DSRLAFHH	HIV-1 infection	human(B35)	[Hadida95]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The C-terminal region of Nef (182-205) contains multiple CTL epitopes with 5 distinct HLA restrictions</li> </ul>
Nef(186-194 BRU)	Nef(184-192)	DSRLAFHHV		human(B51)	[Coman94]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Resulted in the assembly of HLA-B51</li> </ul>

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Nef(188-196 LAI)	Nef(186-194)	RLAFHHVAR	HIV-1 infection	human(B52)	[Hadida95]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The C-terminal region of Nef (182-205) contains multiple CTL epitopes with 5 distinct HLA restrictions</li> </ul>
Nef(190-198 LAI)	Nef(188-196)	AFHHVAREL	HIV-1 exposure	human(A2)	[RowlandJones98]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CTL recognition reported in the context of HLA-B52 and A2.1, A2.2 and A2.4</li> <li>[Hunziker98] suggests that HLA-A2 does not in fact present this epitope, and notes that it does not promote A2 assembly [Coman94] – also see [Brander98b]</li> <li>A CTL response was found in exposed but uninfected prostitutes from Nairobi using previously defined B clade epitopes that tended to be conserved in A and D clades – such cross-reactivity could protect against both A and D and confer protection in Nairobi where both subtypes are circulating</li> <li>The A subtype consensus is ALKHRAYEL</li> <li>The D subtype consensus is AEHKAREM</li> <li>[Hunziker98] maintains that HLA-A2 does not present this epitope contrary to an earlier report [Hadida95], (also see [Brander98]) – despite the position of Hunziker et al., Rowland-Jones and colleagues are confident that this epitope in its A clade form is presented by HLA-A*0201 and A*0202, and it is one of the most common responses seen in both seropositive and exposed-uninfected donors from Nairobi (Rupert Kaul, per. comm.)</li> </ul>
Nef(190-198 LAI)	Nef(188-196)	AFHHVAREK	HIV-1 infection	human(A3)	[Hadida95]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Naturally occurring L to K anchor substitution abrogates A2 binding, but permits HLA-A3 binding</li> </ul>
Nef(192-206 BRU)	Nef(190-204)	HHVARELHPEYFKNC	HIV-1 infection	human(A1)	[Hadida92]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HIV-1 specific CTLs detected in lymphoid organs of HIV-1 infected patients</li> </ul>
Nef(Nef LAI)	Nef(190-204)	Nef	HIV infection	human	[Legrand97]
	<b>NOTES:</b>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>17 recently infected patients were tested for CTL response to HIV proteins Env, Gag, Pol, Rev, Nef, Vif and Tat</li> <li>An early response (within a month following PI) was noted in 87% of the subjects to Gag, 75% to Env, and 50% to Nef</li> <li>Early responses to Pol, Rev, Vif and Tat were rare</li> </ul>



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Nef(Nef LAI)	Nef(190-204)	Nef	HIV infection	human	[Zerhouni97]
<p><b>NOTES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CTL responses to Env, Gag, Nef and RT were tested at various phases of disease progression – 10 asymptomatic patients generally had CTL responses to all proteins, 10 ARC patients responded well to all proteins except Nef, and AIDS patients had few responses to any proteins</li> </ul>					
Nef			HIV-1 infection	human	[DeMaria97]
<p><b>NOTES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CD3+ cells that also carry a natural killer cell receptor (NKR+) can exhibit down regulation of T-cell function</li> <li>• Anti-NKR IgM MAb masked this inhibitory function and increased HIV-1 specific CTL activity in phytohemagglutinin-activated PBMC cultured in the presence of IL-2 from 3/5 patients, and in one other case anti-NKR MAb brought HIV-1 specific CTL activity to detectable levels</li> </ul>					