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Materials and methods

Virus production and purification

FMDV serotype O strain O/BY/CHA/2010 (GenBank accession no. JN998085.1) from the OIE/National Foot-and-Mouth Disease Reference Laboratory (Lanzhou, China), was cultured in Baby Hamster Kidney (BHK)-21 cells at 37 °C for 8-10 h with Dulbecco's modified Eagle's medium (DMEM) (Gibco, CA, USA) supplemented with 100 U/ml penicillin, 100 µg/ml streptomycin, and 2% fetal bovine serum (FBS, Gibco). After removing the cell debris, the virus supernatant was concentrated using 8% polyethylene glycol (PEG)-6,000 (Sigma-Aldrich, U.S.A). The pellet was resuspended in TNE buffer (50 mM Tris-HCl, 1 mM EDTA, 150 mM NaCl, pH 7.6), and mixed with an equal volume of trichloromethane and then centrifuged at 100,000 g for 1 h. Rude virus solution was loaded onto a 15-45% (w/v) sucrose density gradient, ultra-centrifuged at 120,000 g for 3 h with Beckman SW41 rotor. Target fractions were collected and examined by negative-stain electron microscopy and SDS-PAGE.

Production of M8 and M170 neutralizing antibodies (NAbs)

NAbs (M8 and M170) were isolated and sequenced from phage display immune libraries as previously described by M.M Harmsen ([Harmsen et al., 2005](#)). NAb encoding genes were inserted between the *BamH* I and *Xho* I sites of plasmid pGEX-4T-1, and expressed with an N-terminal GST tag in *Escherichia coli*

23 BL21(DE3) cell. Recombinant proteins were purified by GSTrap HP column (5 ml)
24 on AKTA Pure system (GE), according to the manufacturer' s instructions. Thrombin
25 (Sigma, USA) was used to cleave the GST tag and an extra step for GSTrap HP
26 column purification was performed to remove cleaved GST tag.

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28 **Binding abilities of NAbs to FMDV**

29 The binding abilities of M8 and M170 to FMDV were measured by double antibody
30 sandwich ELISA ([Harmsen et al., 2005](#)). Briefly, 96-well plates were coated with 50
31 ng antibodies (M8, M170, 0.5 µg/ml) per well in coating buffer solution overnight at
32 4 °C. The plates were filled with 50 µl of 3-fold serially diluted FMDV (initial
33 concentration 3 µg/ml), including O1/BFS1860/UK/67, A TUR/20/2006,
34 A24/Cruzeiro/BRA/55, Asia 1/Shamir/ISR/89, C1/Detmold/FRG/60, and incubated at
35 25 °C for 1 h. The plates were washed for three times and further incubated with
36 biotinylated NAbs (0.25 µg/ml) at 25°C for 1 h. After washing plates, PO-conjugated
37 streptavidin (Jackson Immunoresearch, USA, lot no 79940) was added for another 1 h
38 at 25 °C. Then, the plates were stained with 3,3',5,5'-tetramethylbenzidine (TMB),
39 and absorbance was measured at 450 nm in a 96-well plate reader.

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41 **Plaque-reduction neutralization assay**

42 The plaque-forming unit (PFU) of the viable virus neutralized by NAbs (M8 and
43 M170) was determined using plaque assay. Antibodies were 2-fold serially diluted
44 with the highest concentrations of 51.2 µM, or the cocktail of M8 and M170

45 (One-third of the neutralizing titer of the antibody plus a 2-fold diluted another
46 antibody), which were incubated with an equal volume of virus (200 PFU/ml) at
47 37 °C for 1 h. The complexes were transferred to a 6-well culture plate with the
48 monolayer BHK21 cells. After further incubating the plate for 1 h with slightly
49 shaking every 20 min, the survival virus attached to the cell surface. The plates were
50 covered with the gum tragacanth (2 ml/well) supplemented with 2% FBS and further
51 incubated for 72 h. After removing the overlay, the cells were washed with PBS and
52 fixed with 4% paraformaldehyde. Plaques were visualized by staining with 2.5%
53 crystal violet. According to the neutralization efficiency of the experimental group to
54 the control sample, the neutralization titers of the two antibodies were calculated by
55 nonlinear curve fitting. The Data is presented as the mean \pm SD of triplicate
56 measurements.

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58 **Binding affinity measurements**

59 SPR experiments were performed by a BIAcore 8k machine with CM5 sensor chips
60 (both GE Healthcare) in PBST buffer (PBS, 0.05% Tween-20(v/v)). Due to the
61 requirement of acidic condition for the sensor-labeling, NAbs or receptors were
62 loaded onto the sensor. The serially diluted FMDV (0, 2.5, 5, 10, 20 and 40 nM)
63 flowed over the NAb (M8 or M170)-immobilized CM5 sensor chip surface. The
64 binding affinities of two NAbs were analyzed using the software BIAevaluation
65 Version 4.1. To further analyze the ability of two NAbs simultaneously to bind the
66 virus, inactivated FMDV viruses firstly flowed through one NAb-immobilized CM5

67 chip. Prior to the other NAb flowing through, the same NAb acted as the flow phase
68 to fully occupy the binding sites on virus surface, and then the other NAb flowed
69 through for binding signal detecting. For blocking virus-receptor interaction, $\alpha\beta6$
70 integrin receptor (R&D, lot: DCHM0319011) was immobilized on CM5 chips at
71 concentrations equivalent to ~250 response units. Mixtures of 20 nM FMDV and
72 different concentrations of NABs flowed over the chip. Binding signals were detected
73 and analyzed with the software BIAevaluation Version 4.1.

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75 **FMDV challenge in guinea pigs**

76 Guinea pigs (weight 300-400 g) were randomly divided into six groups, including
77 therapeutic and prophylactic groups. Briefly, groups of guinea pigs were
78 administrated intramuscularly with M8/M170 (2.5 mg/kg) 1 day before (prophylactic)
79 or after (therapeutic) challenge with 100 50% median infective doses (100 ID₅₀) of
80 FMDV (0.2 ml) on the left hind footpad. Guinea pigs injected intramuscularly with
81 PBS before or after challenge were acted as control groups. All animals were
82 examined for clinical symptoms at 1 to 10 days post-infection (DPI). No lesions were
83 considered as full protection, and blood samples were collected for detecting the viral
84 RNA copies by real-time quantitative PCR (RT-qPCR). In brief, the total RNA of
85 samples was extracted by TRIzol reagent (Invitrogen) for the synthesis of cDNA
86 using PrimeScript™ RT Master Mix (TaKaRa, Dalian, China). RT-qPCR was
87 performed on a CFX96 Touch™ Real-Time PCR Detection System (Bio-Rad
88 Laboratories, Hercules, CA, USA), by 40 cycles of denaturation at 95 °C for 30 s,

89 annealing and extension at 60 °C for 30 s. A total of 20 µl reaction system contains 10
90 µl 2X Premix Ex Taq II (TaKaRa, Dalian, China), 1 µl of 3D gene specific primer
91 (forward: 5' ACTGGGTTTTACAAACCTGTG A 3'; reverse: 5'
92 GCGAGTCCTGCCACGGA 3'), 2 µl of fluorescent probe (5'
93 TCC TTT GCA CGC CGT GGG AC 3'), and 2 µl of the cDNA template. The
94 pcDNA_{3.1}-3D plasmids was constructed and quantified as a standard sample.

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96 **Virus quantification on the cell surface by RT-PCR**

97 The amounts of FMDV remaining on the surface of BHK21 cells after M8/M170
98 treatment were estimated using qPCR as previously described. Briefly, FMDV was
99 incubated with the serially diluted NAbs before and after the virus attached to BHK21
100 cells (MOI=1) at 4 °C. The cells were washed three times and the total RNA was
101 extracted by TRIzol reagent (Invitrogen). The cDNA was prepared by PrimeScript™
102 RT Master Mix (TaKaRa, Dalian, China). The level of virus mRNA was quantified
103 using SYBR Premix Ex Tag II (Tli RnaseH Plus) on CFX96 Touch™ Real-Time PCR
104 Detection System (Bio-Rad Laboratories, Hercules, CA, USA), the reaction system is
105 the same as before. The level of glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase (GAPDH
106 forward: 5' AAGAAGGTGGTGAAGCAGGCATC 3', GAPDH reverse: 5'
107 CGCCATCGAAGGTGGAAGAGTG 3') was used as an internal control. The relative
108 levels of mRNA in different samples were represented using the $2^{-\Delta\Delta ct}$ method ([Livak](#)
109 [and Schmittgen, 2001](#)).

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111 **Thermofluor Assay**

112 Thermofluor assay was performed with a MX3005p RT-PCR instrument (Agilent),
113 SYTO9 (Invitrogen) was used as fluorescent probe to detect the single-stranded RNA
114 from virus capsid. In brief, the 50 μ l reaction system includes, 2 μ g purified viruses or
115 2 μ g of viruses plus 1.5 μ g of NAbs (~120 antibody molecules per FMDV virion), or
116 37 $^{\circ}$ C treated viruses or virus-antibody complexes and 5 μ M SYTO9 in PBS buffer
117 solution. System program was ramped from 25 to 99 $^{\circ}$ C with fluorescence recorded in
118 triplicate at 1 $^{\circ}$ C intervals.

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120 **Cryo-EM and data collection**

121 Purified M8/M170 were incubated with purified FMDV particles (at a concentration
122 of 0.5 mg/ml) at 4 $^{\circ}$ C for 1 min at the ratio of ~300 NAbs per FMDV particle. A 3 μ l
123 aliquot of the complex of FMDV and M8/M170 were applied to a freshly
124 glow-discharged 400-mesh holey carbon-coated copper grid (C-flat, CF-2/1-2C,
125 Protochips). Grids were blotted for 3 s in 90% relative humidity for plunge-freezing
126 (Vitrobot; FEI) in liquid ethane. Cryo-EM datasets of FMDV-M8 and FMDV-M170
127 were collected with Talos Arctica and Titan Krios microscopes (FEI), both of which
128 were equipped with a direct electron detector (K2 Summit; Gatan). Movies ((25
129 frames, each 0.2 s, total dose 30 e^{-} \AA^{-2}) were recorded with a defocus between 1.2
130 and 2.8 μ m. Automated single-particle data acquisition was performed by SerialEM
131 (Mastrorade, 2005), with a calibrated magnification of 59,000 yielding a final pixel
132 size of 1.32 \AA and 1.35 \AA for FMDV-M8 and FMDV-M170, respectively.

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134 **Image processing, model building and refinement**

135 A total of 2,493 micrographs (FMDV-M8 complex) and 298 micrographs
136 (FMDV-M170 complex) were recorded, respectively. Frames were corrected for
137 beam-induced drift by aligning and averaging the individual frame of each movie
138 using MOTIONCORR2 (Li et al., 2013). The contrast transfer function parameters
139 were estimated by Gctf (Zhang, 2016). Particles were picked manually by Manual
140 pick in RELION3 (Scheres, 2012). A total of 5,508 particles and 3,800 particles for
141 FMDV-M8 and FMDV-M170 complexes were picked, respectively and selected to
142 two-dimensional alignment and three-dimensional reconstruction. Finally, 3,701
143 particles of FMDV-M8 complex and 3,692 particles of FMDV-M170 complex were
144 used for the icosahedral symmetry reconstruction. The resolution of the final
145 icosahedral reconstructions was 3.2 Å and 3.1 Å, as evaluated by Fourier shell
146 correction (threshold = 0.143 criterion). Although the overall resolution for these two
147 icosahedral reconstructions is up to 3.1 Å – 3.2 Å, the maps for the binding interface
148 between FMDV and NAb are quite weak due to the relative low occupancy of NAb
149 and conformational heterogeneity. To improve the resolution for the binding interface,
150 we used the block-based reconstruction strategy for focusing classification and
151 refinement. The orientation parameters of each particle determined in Relion were
152 used to guide extraction of the block region (~50% bigger than protomer-NAb) and
153 these blocks were further 3D classified. A local reconstruction focusing on the
154 protomer-NAb region was carried out, yielding a resolution of 3.9 Å and 3.5 Å for the

155 interface of FMDV-M8 and FMDV-M170, respectively. The atomic model of FMDV
156 (PDB code: 5DDJ) was initially fitted into our maps with CHIMERA (Pettersen et al.,
157 2004) and further corrected manually by real-space refinement in COOT (Emsley and
158 Cowtan, 2004). The atomic models of M8 and M170 were built *de novo* into densities
159 with structures of single-domain antibodies as a guide, using COOT. These models
160 were further refined by positional and B-factor refinement in real space with Phenix
161 (Afonine et al., 2012). Refinement statistics are summarized in Table S1.

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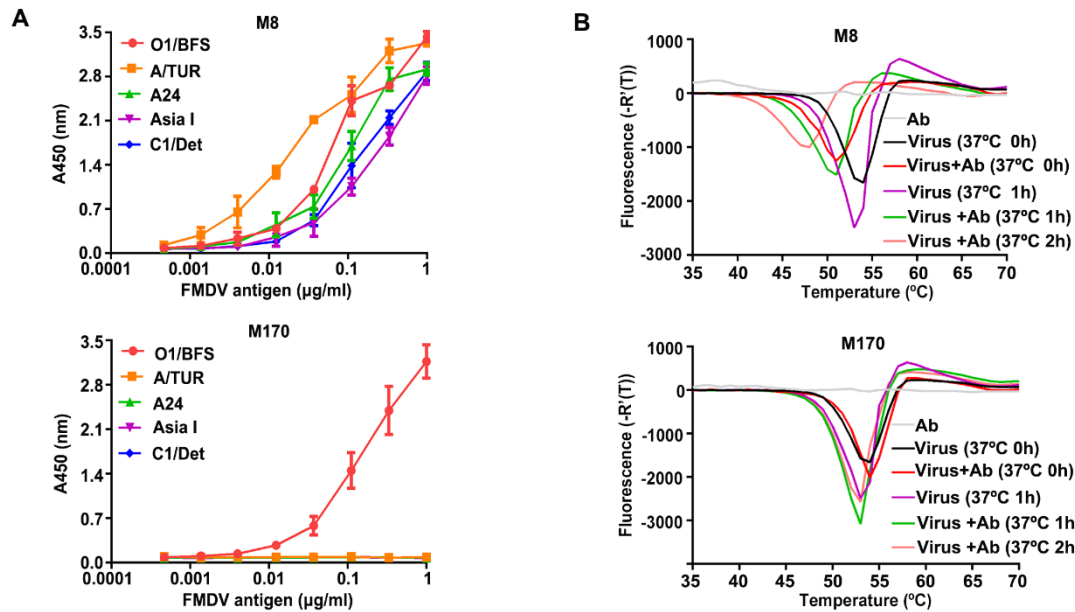
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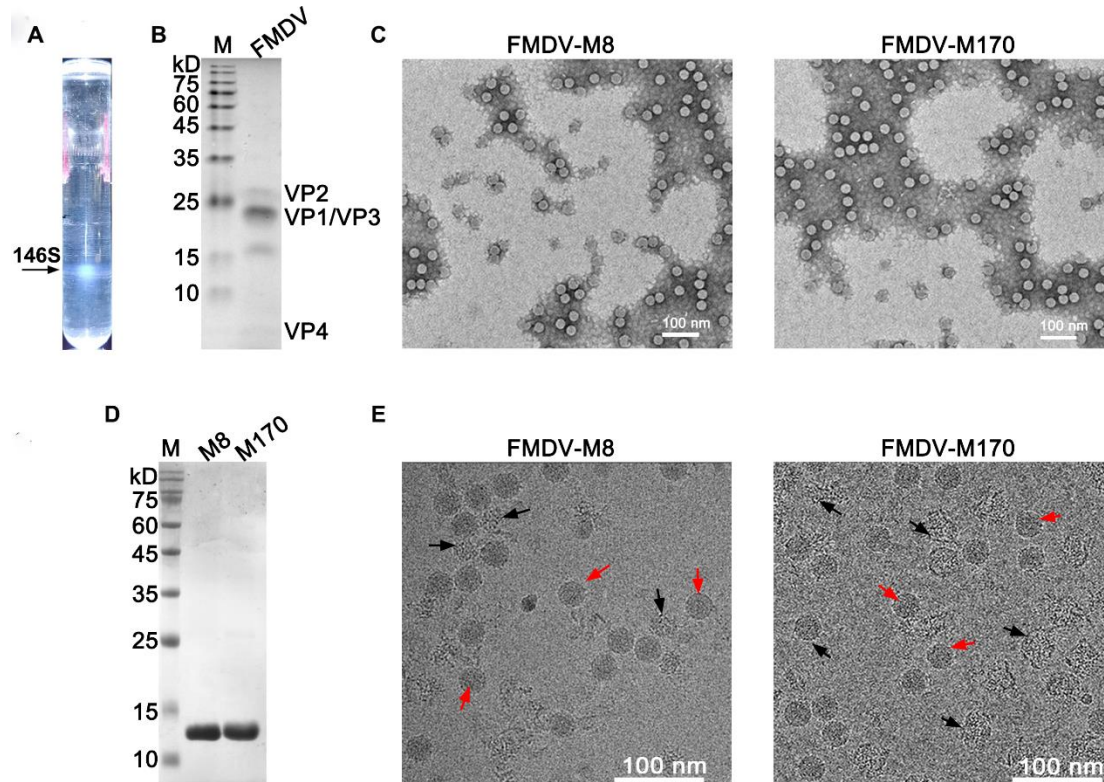
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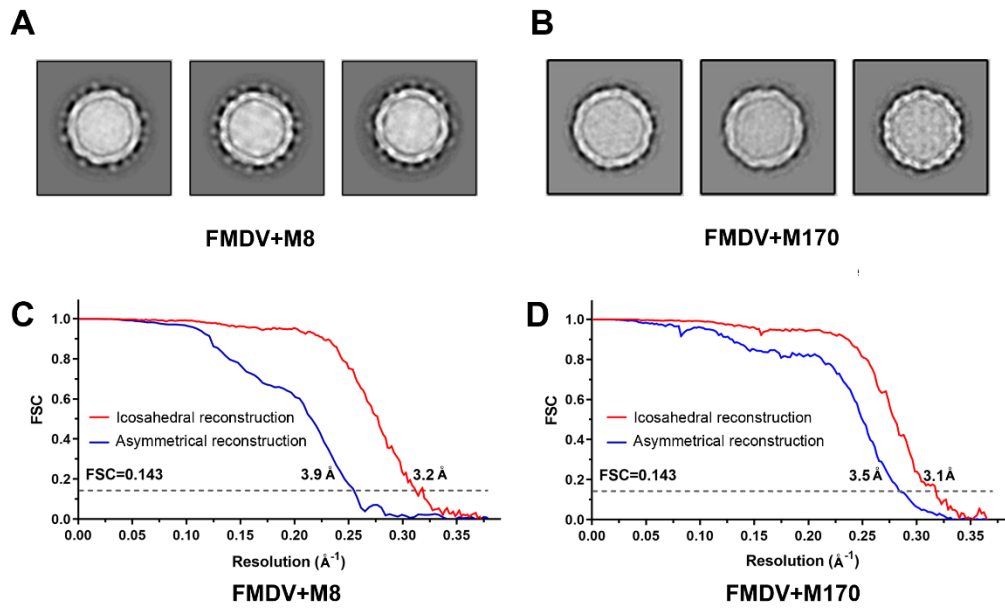


187 **Supplementary Figure 1. Stability and binding analysis of M8 and M170 against**
 188 **FMDV.** (A) Dose-dependent binding analysis of M8 and M170 against representative
 189 FMDV serotypes by ELISA. Each plot represents the mean of OD450 values from
 190 triplicate wells. Error bars represent mean \pm SD. FMDV O (O1/BFS1860/UK/67), A
 191 (A/TUR/20/2006, A24/Cruzeiro/BRA/55), Asia 1 (Asia 1/Shamir/ISR/89) and C
 192 (C1/Detmold/FRG/60). (B) Stabilities of FMDV O upon addition of M8 (top) or
 193 M170 (bottom) at physiological temperature. The release of RNA reflecting the
 194 dissociation of capsids was detected by an increase in the fluorescence signal (SYTO9
 195 fluorescent).



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197 **Supplementary Figure 2. Purification and characterization of M8, M170 and**
 198 **FMDV.** (A) Zonal ultracentrifugation of a 15 to 45% (w/v) sucrose density gradient at
 199 120,000 g for 3 h was used to purify FMDV from the harvest concentrate described in
 200 the method section. Only one type of FMDV particle, corresponding to the 146S
 201 mature virion, was separated. (B) SDS-PAGE analysis for FMDV capsid proteins, the
 202 theoretical molecular weights of VP1, VP2, VP3 and VP4 are 23.7 kDa, 24.4 kDa,
 203 23.9 kDa and 8.9 kDa, respectively. (C) The negative-stain images of FMDV in
 204 complex with M8 and FMDV in complex with M170. (D) Purity evaluation of M8
 205 and M170 by SDS-PAGE. (E) The cryo-EM micrographs of FMDV-M8 and
 206 FMDV-M170 complexes, and the intact particles and broken particles were marked
 207 by red and black arrows, respectively.



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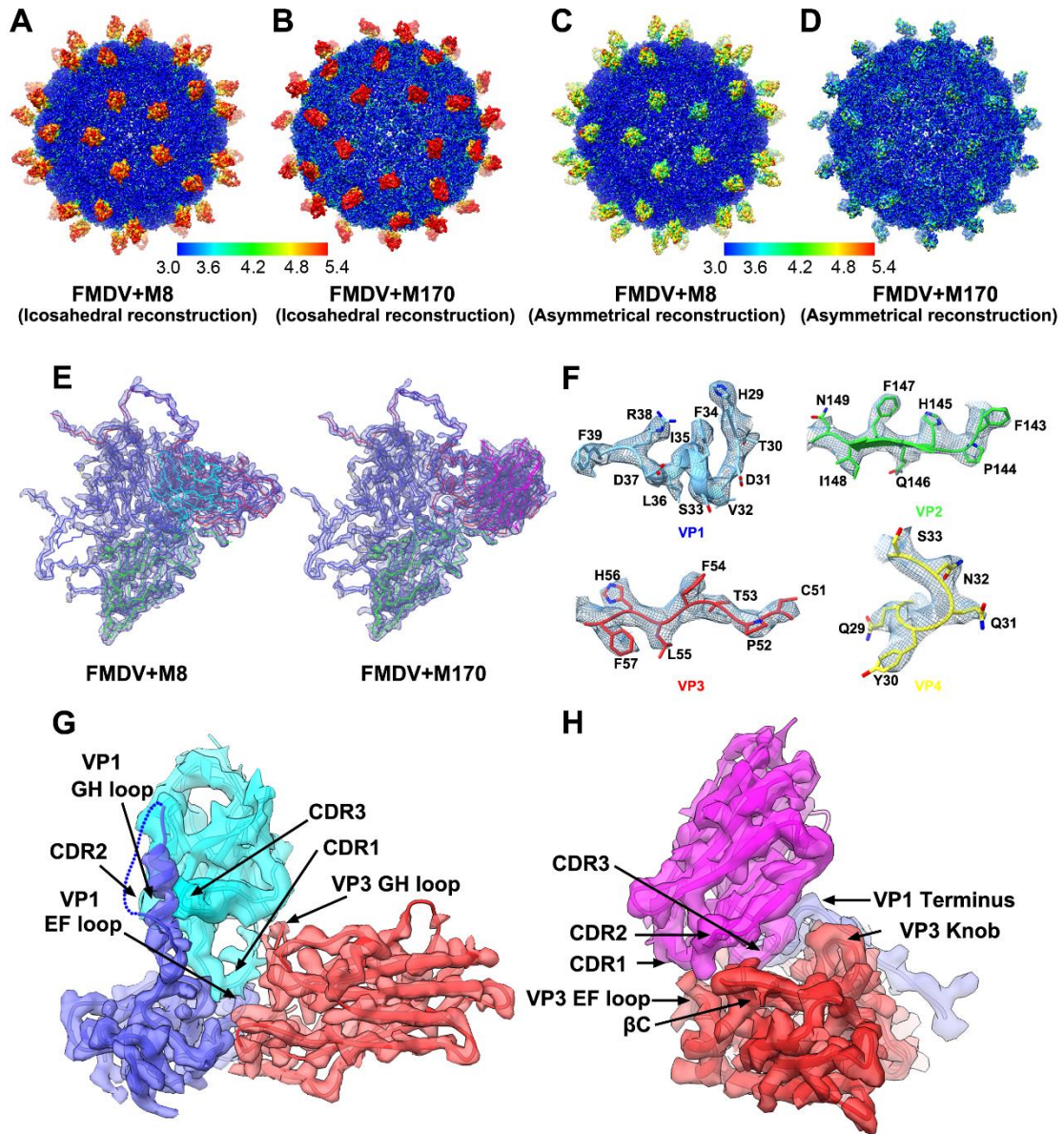
209 **Supplementary Figure 3. 2D classification and FSC curves.** Representative classes

210 from 2D classification in RELION for FMDV-M8 (A) and FMDV-M170 complexes

211 (B). Gold-standard Fourier shell correlation (FSC) curves of the final maps of

212 FMDV-M8 (C) and FMDV-M170 complexes (D).

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215 **Supplementary Figure 4. Map resolution evaluation and electron density maps.**

216 Map resolution assessment of the icosahedral reconstructions of FMDV-M8 (A) and

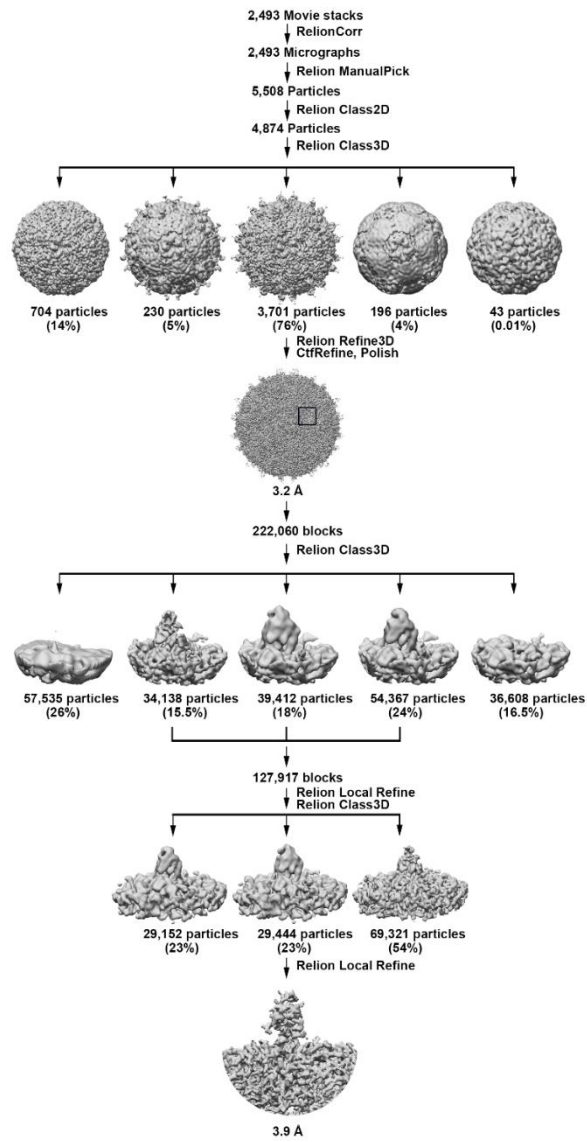
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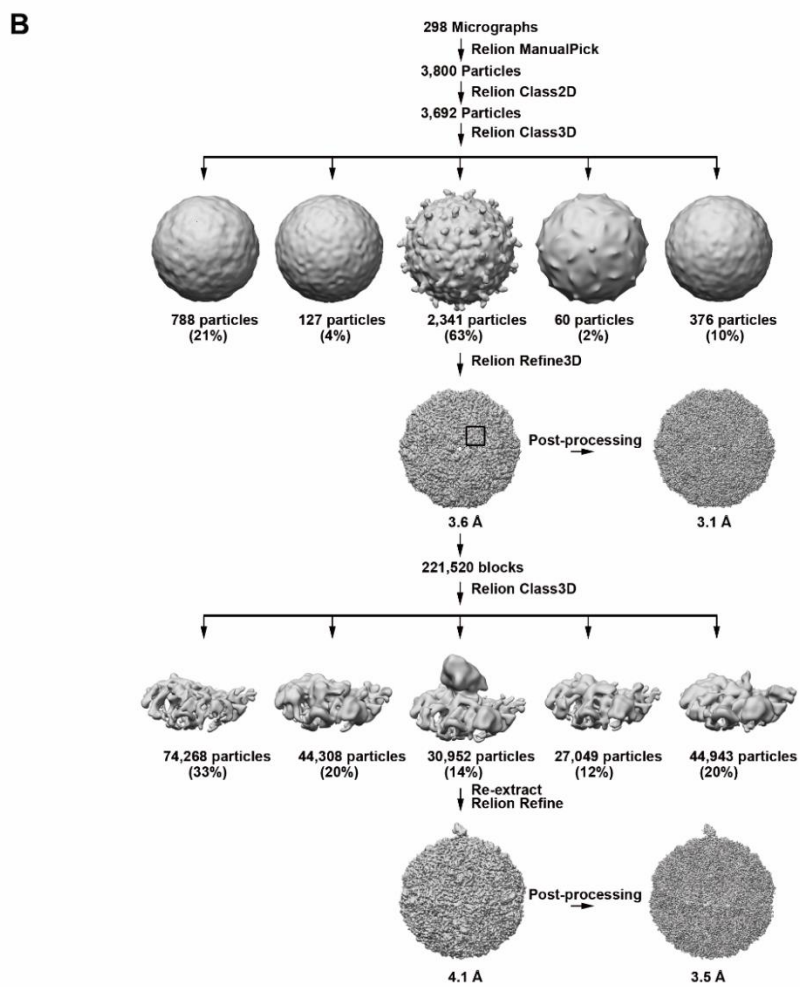
218 FMDV-M170 (D) with color indicated below. Electron density maps for the FMDV

219 protomer (E), the sidechains of VP1-VP4 (F) and the binding interface of M8

220 (G)/M170 (H) are shown.

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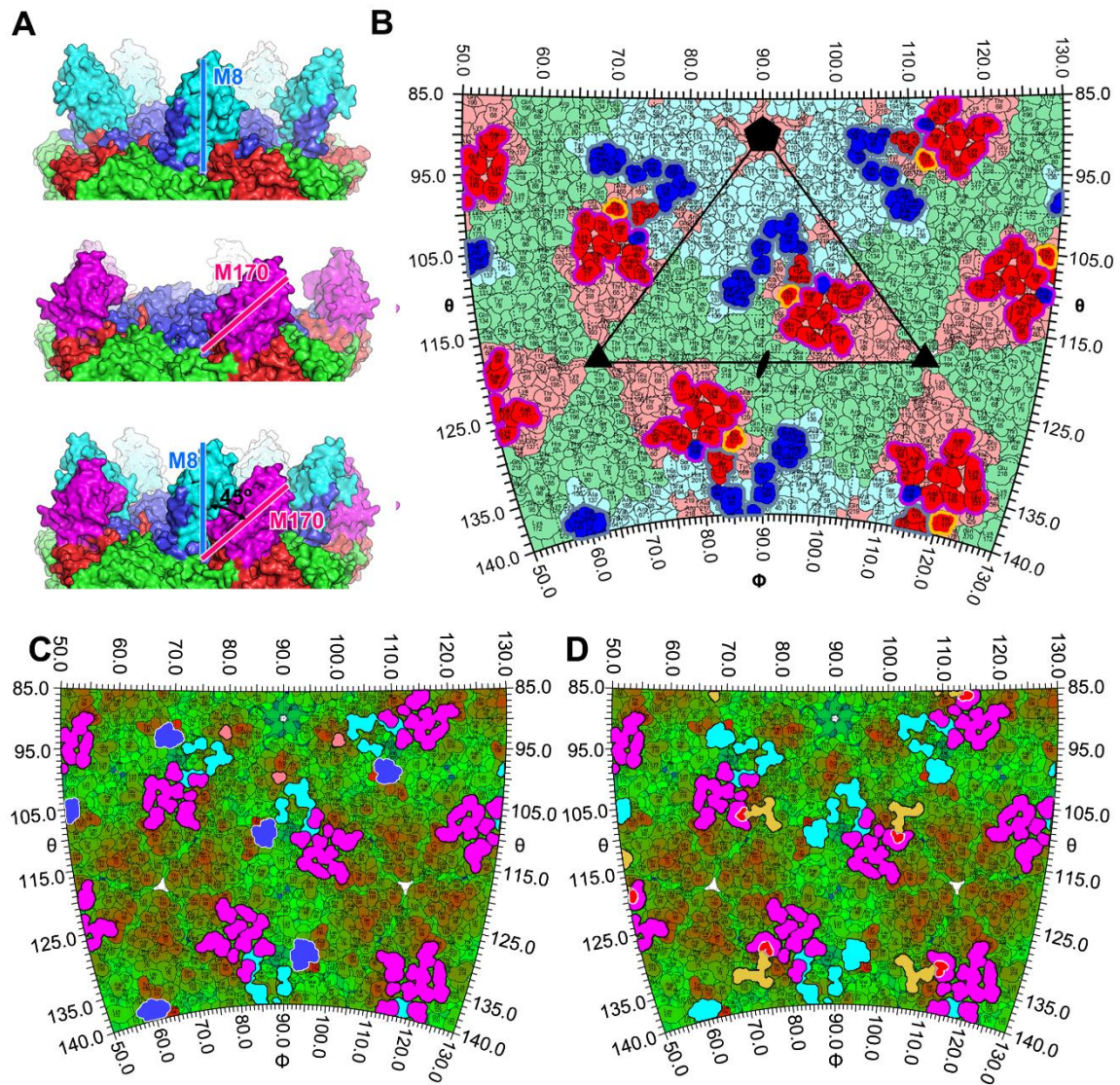


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223 **Supplementary Figure 5. Flow-chart for Cryo-EM data processing.** (A) and (B)

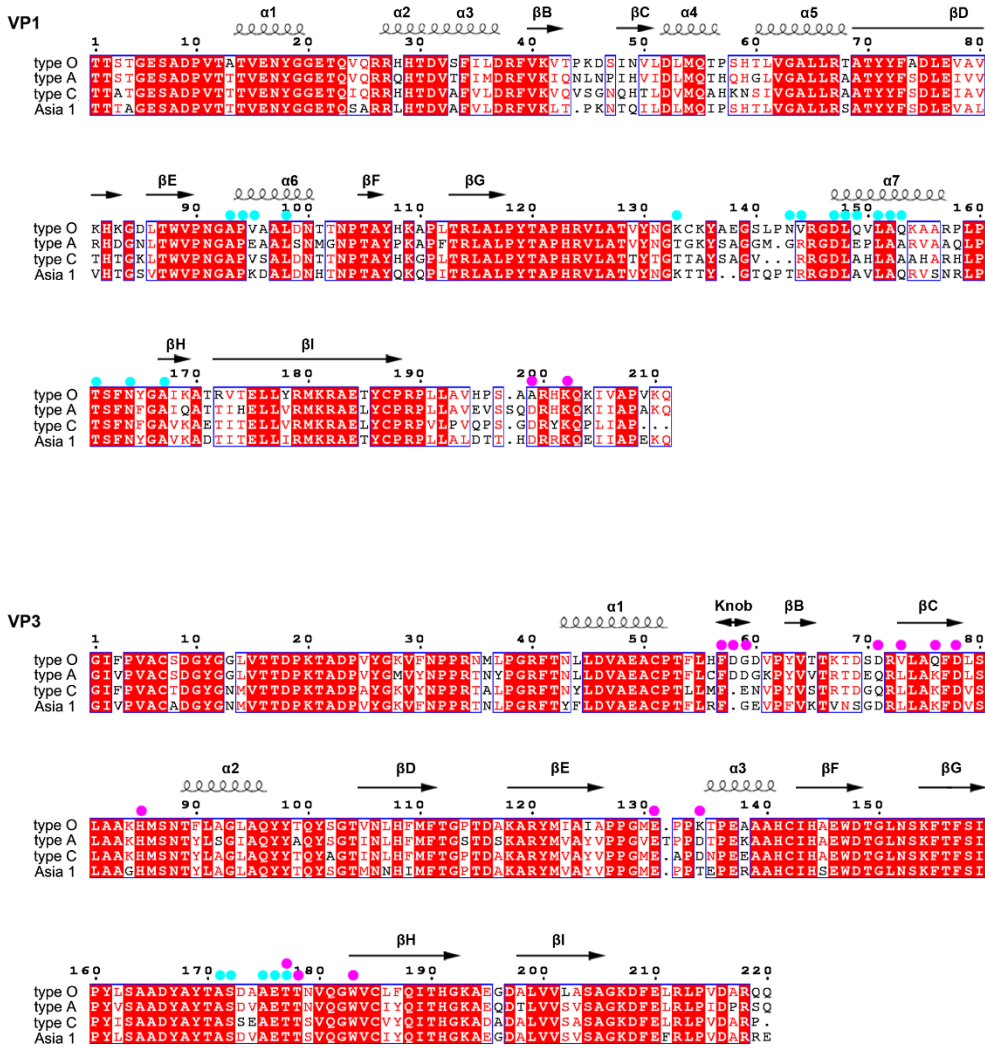
224 show the data processing procedures for FMDV-M8 and FMDV-M170 complexes,

225 respectively. Details can be found in the Methods section.



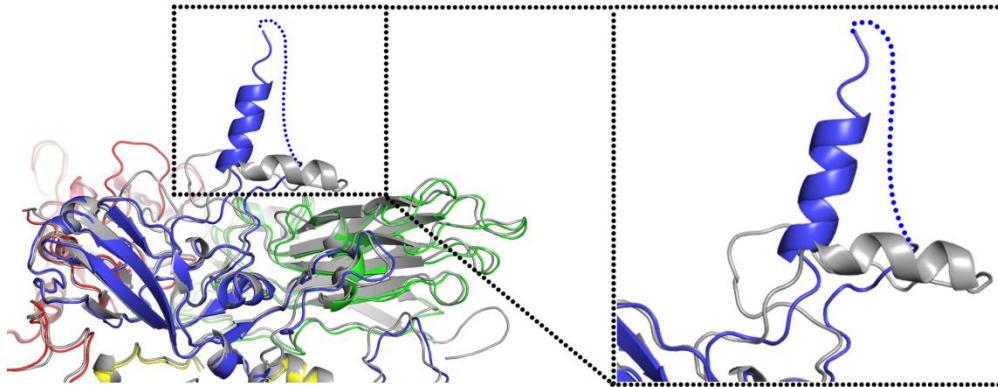
226 **Supplementary Figure 6. The NAb (M8 and M170) and receptor ($\alpha\beta6$ and HS)**
 227 **footprints on the viral surface.** (A) Side views of two NAbs bound to a pentamer. up:
 228 FMDV-M8 complex, and middle: FMDV-M170 complex, down: the superimposition
 229 of two complexes shows an angle of $\sim 45^\circ$ between M8 and M170. The same color
 230 scheme is applied as above. (B) The M8 and M170 footprints on the FMDV surface.
 231 Residues of VP1, VP2, and VP3 are outlined in blue, green, and red, respectively.
 232 Residues involved in binding to NAbs are shown in brighter colors corresponding to
 233 the protein chain they belong to, the footprints of M8 and M170 are indicated by gray
 234 and magenta lines, respectively. The overlapped residue for binding to both M8 and

235 M170 is marked by yellow lines. (C) and (D) Roadmap showing the relative positions
236 of the NAb (M8 and M170) and receptor ($\alpha\beta 6$ and HS) footprints on the viral surface.
237 The footprints of M8, M170, $\alpha\beta 6$ and HS receptor are outlined with cyan, magenta,
238 light pink and yellow line, respectively. Overlapped footprints between M8 and $\alpha\beta 6$
239 and between M170 and HS are highlighted in blue and red.
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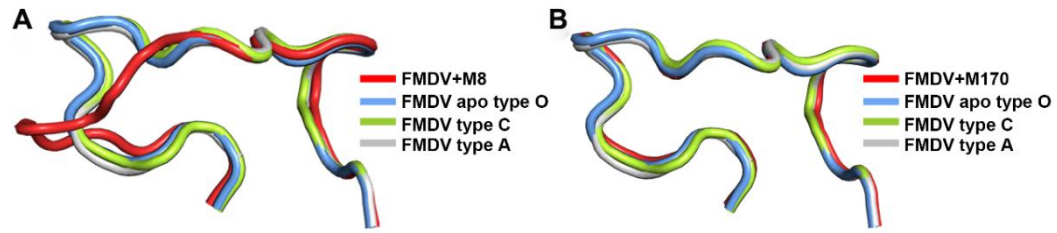
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243 **Supplementary Figure 7. Sequence alignment of capsids between the four**
 244 **representative FMDV serotypes.** Sequence alignment of VP1 and VP3 from FMDV
 245 O with counterparts from 3 representative FMDV serotypes (A, C and Asia I). The
 246 residues involved in directly interacting with M8 and M170 are marked with cyan and
 247 magenta balls, respectively.



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249 **Supplementary Figure 8. Conformational comparison of the VP1 GH loop.** The
250 VP1 GH loop in the structure of FMDV-M8 complex exhibits an “up” configuration
251 compared to the “down” conformation in the structure of the reductant treated FMDV
252 (PDB Code: 1FOD). The color scheme for VP1-VP4 in the structure of FMDV-M8
253 complex is same as the Fig. 2B and the protomer from the reductant treated FMDV is
254 colored in gray.

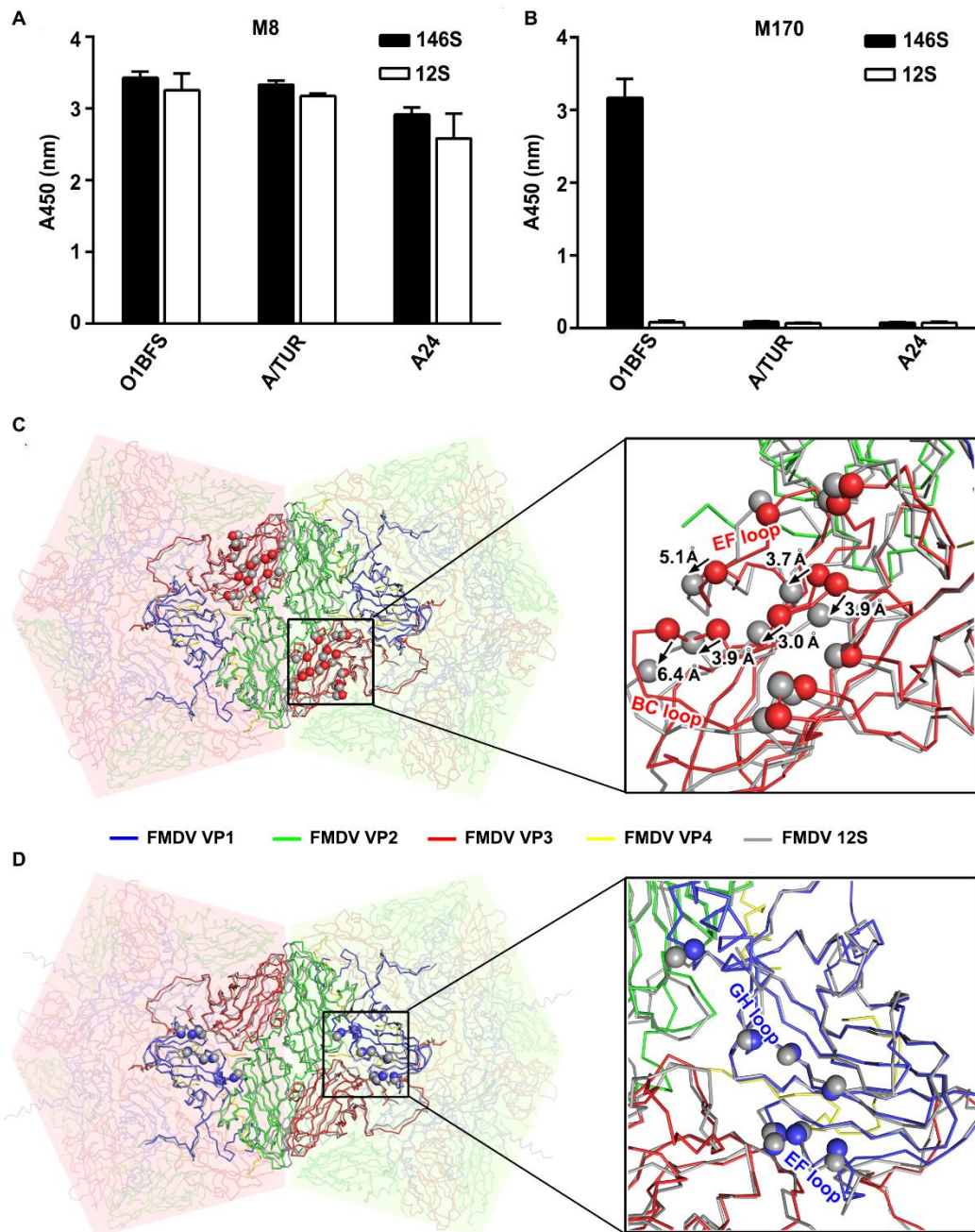


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256 **Supplementary Figure 9. Conformation conservation analysis of the VP3 GH**

257 **loop.** Structures of the VP3 GH loop from FMDV-M8 (A) and FMDV-M170 (B) are

258 superposed with counterparts from 3 representative FMDV serotypes.



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263 **Supplementary Figure 11. Structural basis of binding preference/specificity of**

264 **M8/M170 for 146S or 12S particles.** (A) M8 exhibited no clear binding preference

265 for 146S or 12S particles. (B) M170 showed specifically binding to 146S particles.

266 Purified viruses (146S) and acid-dissociated pentamers (12S) from FMDV types A

267 and O were used for testing the binding to M8 and M170 by ELISA. Structural

268 analysis for explaining the binding specificity of M170 for 146S particles (C) and no

269 binding preference of M8 for 146S or 12S particles (D). Superimposition of structures
270 of the pentamers from 146S and 12S (PDB:5OYI) shows structural rearrangement in
271 VP3, in particular the distal loops, such as BC and EF loops. Color scheme for the
272 pentamer from 146S is same as Fig. 2B and the structures of acid-dissociated
273 pentamers are colored in gray. Epitopes of M8 and M170 are represented as spheres
274 and colored corresponding to the protein chain they belong to. Major structural shifts
275 are labeled and marked by black arrows.

Supplementary Table 1 Cryo-EM data collection and atomic models refinement statistics

Data collection		
Complex	FMDV+M8	FMDV+M170
Microscope	FEI Talos Arctica	FEI Titan Krios
Camera	Gatan K2	Gatan K2
Voltage (kV)	200	300
Total dose (e ⁻ /Å ²)	30	30
Micrographs (total)	2,493	298
Micrographs (used)	2,493	298
Particles selected	5,508	3,800
Particles included in final reconstruction	3,701	3,692
sampling, Å per pixel	1.32	1.35
Defocus range (µm)	1.2-2.8	1.2-2.8
Symmetry	I	I
Resolution (Å) (FSC=0.143 criterion)	3.2	3.1
Block particles included in final reconstruction	29,444	30,952
Symmetry imposed on block particles	C1	C1
Resolution (Å) (C1 reconstruction)	3.9	3.5
Model refinement		
Ramachandran statistics (%)		
Most favored	92.88	96.07
Allowed	6.36	3.93
Outliers	0.76	0
R.m.s.d		
Bond lengths (Å)	0.014	0.008
Bond angles (°)	1.228	0.757

Supplementary Table 2. Residues of M8 interacting with the FMDV ($d < 4 \text{ \AA}$)

FMDV		M8		
Location	Domain	Residues		
VP1	EF loop	A93	I34 N35	
		P94	S33 I34	
		V95	F32 S33 I34 N35	
		L98	N35	
	GH loop	K133	N110	
		N143	D69 S70	
		V144	Y67 D69	
		D147	A66	
		L148	A66 Y67 W113	
		Q149	A111	
		L151	T60 A66 W113	
		A152	N110 A111 W113	
		Q153	A111	
		T161	D36 I39	
		N164	D36	
	A167	N35		
	VP3	GH loop	A171	I34
			S172	S33 I34
			A175	G118 T119
E176			F117	
T177			F117	

Supplementary Table 3. Residues of M170 interacting with the FMDV (d < 4 Å)

FMDV			M170
Location	Domain	Residues	Residues
VP1	C-terminus	A199	A104 P106 S108
		K202	S108
VP3	Knob	F57	L105
		D58	R53 L105
		G59	Y62
	BC loop	D71	W56
		V73	W56
	β C	Q76	A104 L105
	CD loop	D78	F103
		H85	L105
	EF loop	E131	R30 S34 Y35
		K134	W56
	GH loop	T177	D109 Y110
		T178	Y110
		W183	F103