little or no preexisting immunity is a fundamental property of pandemic strains (6, 7). Most threatening is the possibility of another pandemic, similar to that experienced in 1918, caused by a novel influenza subtype virus capable of causing severe respiratory disease and death. The avian influenza H5N1 virus, which has resulted in more than 250 human infections (8), has not acquired human influenza virus genes and lacks the ability to spread efficiently from human to human (9, 10). Reassortment of avian H5N1 virus genes with human H3N2 influenza virus genes was shown to be insufficient for transmission of this avian virus (11), suggesting that additional unknown mutations are required for H5N1 to emerge as a pandemic strain.

The binding of influenza viruses to their target cells is mediated by the viral HA, which recognizes cell surface glycoconjugates containing terminal sialic acid (SA) residues. Avian influenza viruses preferentially bind SA linked to galac-

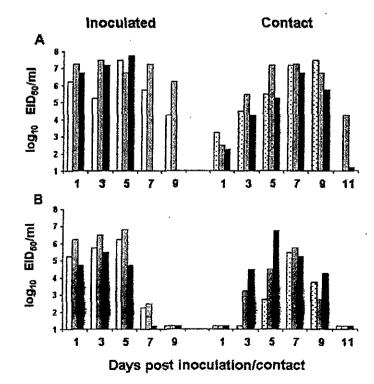
tose by an  $\alpha$ -2.3 linkage ( $\alpha$ 2.3 SA), which is found in high concentrations on the epithelial cells of the intestine of waterfowl and shorebirds (12). Conversely, human influenza viruses (H1 to H3 subtypes) more readily bind to receptors that contain terminal o-2,6-linked sialyl-galactosyl (02,6 SA) moieties that are found on the human respiratory tract epithelium (13, 14). The three influenza pandemic viruses of the last century, occurring in 1918 (H1N1), 1957 (H2N2), and 1968 (H3N2), each possessed an HA with a human a2,6 SA binding preference and are thought to have originated from an avian virus possessing the  $\alpha 2,3$  SA binding preference (13-16). It has been postulated that the lack of sustained humanto-human transmission of avian influenza H5N1 viruses is due to their a2.3 SA receptor binding preference (17-19). Higher proportions of a2,3 SA receptors in the human lower respiratory tract compared with the upper respiratory tract may explain the severity of H5N1 viral pneumonia in

humans resulting from H5N1 viral attachment deep in the lungs (17, 19).

Amino acids at positions 190 and 225 in the 1918 pandemic influenza virus HA determine its recentor binding specificity (15, 16). In this study, we generated recombinant influenza viruses possessing all eight gene segments of the 1918 influenza virus to examine the role of receptor binding specificity on replication, pathogenicity, and transmissibility of this pandemic strain. We generated two variant A/South Carolina/1/18 (SC18) 1918 viruses in which the HA was altered to change the receptor binding specificity from the parental human a2,6 SA (SC18) receptor preference to an avian a2,3 SA receptor preference (AV18) or a mixed a2,6 and a2,3 SA specificity reflecting the A/New York/1/18 (NY18) virus binding specificity. The NY18 virus was a natural variant sequenced from an archived lung tissue sample prepared during autopsy of a patient who died within 6 days of hospitalization in September 1918 (20). The HAcorresponding to NY18 virus was made by i troducing a single amino acid substitution [Asp<sup>225</sup>→Gly<sup>225</sup> (D225G)] in the SC18 HA. The AV18 virus, which differs by one amino acid from NY18 virus, was made by introducing an additional amino acid change [Asp<sup>190</sup>→Glu<sup>190</sup> (D190E)] within the NY18 HA. Compared with the SC18 virus, the AV18 variant has two amino acid changes (D190E and D225G) in the HA, which matches the conserved avian consensus sequence in the receptor binding site and which converts it to the classic 02,3 SA receptor preference (15). A/Duck/Alberta/35/76 (Dk/Alb) and A/Texas/36/91 (Tx/91) viruses were included in the study as controls representative of an avian

Table 1. Titer of virus stocks prepared on MDCK cells with trypsin (1  $\mu$ g/ml, Sigma) and incubated at 37°C with 5% CO<sub>2</sub> for 48 hours. Hemagglutination assay of viruses used 0.5%  $\alpha$ -2,3-resialylated CRBCs,  $\alpha$ -2,6-resialylated CRBCs, or untreated CRBCs. The results shown correspond to four hemagglutination units. Similar results were obtained when viruses were adjusted to 8, 16, or 32 hemagglutination units with untreated CRBCs.

	Amino acid position (H3 numbering)			Presence or absence of hemagglutination			
	190	225	Infectivity titer (pfu/ml)	α2,6 CRBCs	α2,3 CRBCs	Untreated CRBCs	
SC18	۵	Q	4.8 × 10 <sup>7</sup>	+	_	+	
NY18	D	G	$3.3 \times 10^{7}$	+	+	+	
AV18	E	G	$5.0 \times 10^{7}$	_	+	+	
Dk/Alb	E	G	$2.2\times10^7$	_	+	+	



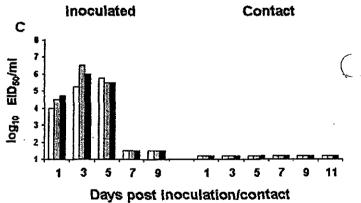


Fig. 1. Replication in the upper respiratory tract and transmissibility of H1N1 viruses. Three ferrets were inoculated with 10<sup>6</sup> PFU of SC18 (A), Tx/91 (B), or Dk/Alb (C) virus and housed in individual cages. Naïve ferrets were placed in cages adjoined to those of the inoculated ferrets, and viral shedding in the upper respiratory tract was assessed on alternating days for inoculated (left) and contact (right) ferrets. Results from individual ferrets are represented. Solid and dotted bars of same shade represent a separate ferret pair housed in adjoined cages. The limit of virus detection was 10<sup>1.2</sup> EID<sub>50</sub>/ml.

H1N1 virus and a human H1N1 virus, respectively. The 1918 viruses were generated by using the previously described reverse genetics system (21-23), and the identities of virus genes in the rescued viruses were confirmed by reverse transcription polymerase chain reaction and sequence analysis.

The rescued 1918 viruses containing the parental SC18 HA and the two variant HAs had similarly high infectivity titers in Madin-Darby canine kidney (MDCK) cells (Table 1). The receptor-binding properties of the 1918 viruses were confirmed in HA assays by using enzymatically modified chicken red blood cells (CRBCs) that contain either α2,3 or α2,6 SA, as previously described (15). The AV18 virus and the avian Dk/Alb control virus hemagglutinated the α2,3-resialylated CRBCs only, whereas the SC18 virus hemagglutinated the α2,6-resialylated CRBCs only. The NY18 virus hemagglutinated both α2,3- and α2,6-resialylated NRBCs.

Pathogenesis and transmissibility of the parental 1918 (SC18) virus were evaluated and compared with those of Tx/91 virus with an α2,6 SA receptor binding preference (16) and with those of the avian Dk/Alb virus possessing an α2,3 SA receptor binding preference (Table 1) (24). Ferrets were housed in adjacent cages that

prevented direct and indirect contact between animals but allowed spread of influenza virus through the air (11, 25). They were inoculated intranasally with 106 PFU (plaque forming units). One day after infection, three naïve ferrets housed in transmission cages were placed adjacent to each of the three inoculated ferrets (26). Three additional inoculated ferrets from each virus-infected group were killed on day 3 postinoculation (p.i.) for assessment of pathologic and virologic parameters (26). Ferrets inoculated with the parental SC18 virus shed high titers of infectious virus in nasal washes beginning as early as day 1 p.i. [50% egg infectious dose (EID<sub>50</sub>/ml) from  $10^{6.25}$  to  $10^{7.25}$ ], and they sustained titers of ≥104.5 EID50/ml for 9 days p.i. (Fig. 1A, left). SC18 virus caused severe disease in all inoculated ferrets starting 2 days p.i.; symptoms included lethargy, anorexia, rhinorrhea, sneezing, severe weight loss (Table 2 and fig S1), and high fever, and two of the three animals died by day 11 p.i. Ferrets inoculated with HIN1 Tx/91 and Dk/Alb also shed high titers of virus in nasal washes (peak titers had EID /ml values from 105.5 to 106.8). but they were able to clear the virus from the upper respiratory tract by day 9 p.i. (Fig. 1, B and C) after displaying minimal symptoms (Table 2).

The human SC18 and Tx/91 viruses efficiently transmitted to each of the three contact ferrets (Fig. 1, A and B, right). The SC18 virus was detected in the contact ferrets as early as day 1 postcontact (p.c.), whereas the Tx/91 virus required 3 to 5 days to achieve detectable virus titers in nasal washes of the Tx/91 contact ferrets. The Tx/91 contact ferrets exhibited little morbidity, whereas all three SC18 contact ferrets exhibited severe signs of illness and weight loss. and one of three contact animals failed to clear the virus before it succumbed to infection on day 6 p.c. In contrast to the efficient spread of SC18 and Tx/91 viruses, the avian Dk/Alb virus was not transmitted to naïve contact ferrets, because virus was not detected in the nasal washes from the contact ferrets at any time. Furthermore, seroconversion was not detected by hemagglutination inhibition (HI) analysis of postexposure sera (Table 2). Both A/Duck/New York/15024/ 96 and A/Turkey/South Dakota/7034/86, which are representative avian viruses with an α2,3 SA receptor preference, exhibited efficient replication in the upper respiratory tract, but no transmission was detected between ferrets.

We introduced one- and two-amino acid substitutions into the 1918 virus HA to produce SC18 variants NY18 and AV18, respectively. A switch in receptor specificity from an α2,6 SA

Table 2. Clinical symptoms, virus replication, seroconversion, and transmissibility among ferrets inoculated with H1N1 viruses and among ferrets exposed to the inoculated animals (contacts). The percentage of mean maximum weight loss is shown. NW, nasal wash.

	Inoculated ferrets Number with characteristic/total number			Number	Respiratory			
	Sneezing (day of onset)	Weight loss (%)	Virus detected in NW	Seroconversion (range of H! antibody titer)	Weight loss (%)	Virus detected in NW	Seroconversion (range of HI antibody titer)	droplet transmission
5C18	3/3 (2)	3/3 (11.7)	3/3	1/1 (1280)	2/3 (15.4)	3/3	3/3 (80-640)	Efficient
Tx/91	3/3 (2)	3/3 (6.2)	3/3	3/3 (160-640)	3/3 (3.5)	3/3	3/3 (160-320)	Efficient
Dk/Alb	2/3 (5)	2/3 (1.2)	3/3	3/3 (80-1280)	0/3	0/3	0/3	None
AV18	0/3	3/3 (14.7)	3/3	1/1 (640)*	0/3	0/3	0/3	None
7Y18	0/3	3/3 (18.9)	3/3	2/2 (320-640) <sup>†</sup>	1/3 (1.4)	1/3	2/3 (40-80)	Inefficient

Unly one ferret survived and was tested.

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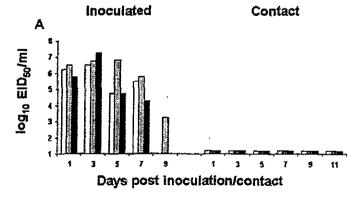
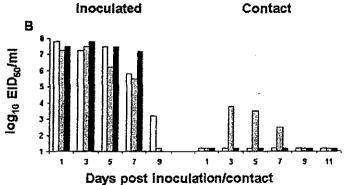


Fig. 2. Respiratory droplet transmissibility of 1918 viruses with mutated HA proteins. Three ferrets were inoculated with 10<sup>6</sup> PFU of AV18 (A) or NY18 (B) virus and placed in separate cages. Naïve ferrets were placed in cages adjoined to those of the inoculated ferrets, and viral shedding in the



upper respiratory tract was assessed on alternating days for inoculated (left) and contact (right) ferrets. Results from individual ferrets are represented. Solid and dotted bars of same shade represent a separate ferret pair housed in adjoined cages.

(human) to an a2,3 SA (avian) binding preference abolished the transmissibility of the pandemic virus (Fig. 2 and Table 2). Although ferrets inoculated with AV18 virus exhibited severe illness (Table 2 and fig S1) and shed high titers of infectious virus in nasal washes (Fig. 2A, left), none of the three AV18 contact ferrets had detectable virus in nasal washes, and postexposure sera collected from contact animals lacked antibodies against AV18. The NY18 virus, with dual a2,6 and a2,3 SA specificity, also resulted in severe illness and death among the inoculated ferrets, but it failed to transmit efficiently, as evidenced by the paucity of clinical symptoms and virus shedding among the contact ferrets (Fig. 2B). Two of the three NY18 contact ferrets seroconverted with relatively low HI titers of 40 and 80 (Table 2). The lack of efficient transmission was not due to the inability of the NY18 virus to replicate to high titers in the upper respiratory tract, including the nasal turbinates (Fig. 2B, left, and fig S2). Interestingly, no sneezing was noted among the AV18- and NY18-inoculated ferrets through a 14-day observation period, a finding consistent with the lack of notable sneezing observed in ferrets infected with H5N1 viruses (II).

Despite the differences in transmissibility of the parental 1918 (SC18) virus and the mutant 1918 viruses, similar damage to multiple lung lobes was observed 3 days after intranasal infection (26) (Fig. 3). Ferret lungs infected with SC18, AV18, and NY18 viruses exhibited necrotizing bronchiolitis and moderate to severe alveolitis with edema (Fig. 3, A to E, I, and J). Viral antigen was common in lung tissues, with localization in the upper to lower portions of the bronchial airways, bronchial and bronchiolar epithelium, and hyperplasic epithelium within alveoli (Fig. 3, F to H). Ferrets inoculated with control Tx/91 and Dk/Alb viruses generally showed a lack of significant lung lesions (Fig. 3, K to M).

Receptor binding, the initial event in influenza virus infection, was a major determinant of virus transmission efficiency of the H1N1 pandemic virus. This work also evaluates the virulence of the 1918 virus in a ferret model, a model that is believed to be more representative than the mouse model of disease caused by influenza viruses in humans. In contrast to other human influenza virus strains, the 1918 virus demonstrated uniquely high virulence and lethality in ferrets. The mutant 1918 virus possessing a2,3 SA receptor binding (AV18) was equally virulent in ferrets as the parental SC18 strain at the dose administered. Remarkably, the AV18 virus replicated in the upper respiratory tract as efficiently as the parental SC18 virus, but it failed to transmit to contact ferrets. Moreover, a human a2.6 SA binding preference is essential for optimal transmission of this exceptionally virulent virus. The introduction of a single mutation that converts the HA to dual a2,6 and a2,3 SA binding specificity (NY18) reduced the high transmissibility observed with the parental 1918 (SC18) virus. This result is consistent with the previously demonstrated lack of transmissibility of an H5N1 2003 virus that possessed dual α2,6 and α2,3 SA specificity due to a naturally acquired mutation at HA residue 223 (H5 numbering; residue 227 by H3 numbering) (11, 27).

Our findings raise the possibility that, to become more transmissible, the currently circulating avian influenza H5N1 virus may require a receptor binding change to a predominant \$\alpha 2,6\$ SA binding preference. Such a modification of H5 HA may result in improved virus binding to

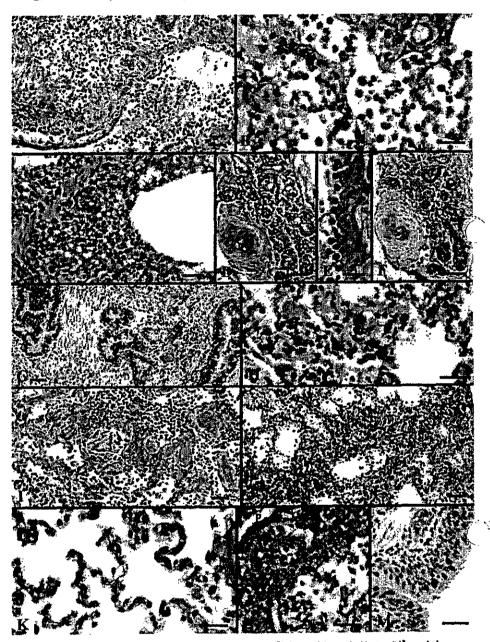


Fig. 3. Photomicrographs of hematoxylin and eosin [(A) to (E) and (I) to (L)] and immuno-histochemically [(F) to (H) and (M)] stained lung sections from influenza virus—infected ferrets sampled on day 3 after inoculation. (A to H) Lung sections infected by SC18 virus. (A) Severe necrotizing bronchiolitis with severe diffuse alveolitis and edema. Scale bar indicates 50 μm. (B) Severe diffuse alveolitis; scale bar, 20 μm. (C) Necrotizing bronchiolitis; scale bar, 30 μm. (D) Necrosis and (F) associated influenza viral antigen in submucosal serous glandular epithelium of a bronchus; scale bar, 50 μm. (E) Margination and adhesion of neutrophils to endothelial cells of a pulmonary arteriole; scale bar, 20 μm. (G) Influenza viral antigen in epithelium of a primary bronchiole; scale bar, 50 μm. (H) Viral antigen commonly in macrophages and alveolar epithelial cells; scale bar, 20 μm. (I) NY18 virus; severe diffuse alveolitis with accompanying necrotizing bronchiolitis; scale bar, 50 μm. (J) AV18 virus; diffuse severe alveolitis and edema with necrotizing bronchiolitis; scale bar, 50 μm. (K) Tx/91 virus; normal alveoli; scale bar, 15 μm. (L) Dk/Alb virus, purulent bronchiolitis (p) with peribronchiolar mixed cell inflammation and associated moderate alveolitis (a); scale bar, 50 μm. (M) Dk/Alb viral antigen in bronchial epithelium; scale bar, 30 μm.

human tracheal epithelial cells expressing high amounts of terminal a2,6 SA motifs and, simultaneously, in an improved ability to overcome the inhibitory effects of human bronchial mucins associated with a2,3 SA receptors (28). However, mutations that caused a shift from the avian-type to human-type receptor binding specificity for the HI subtype do not cause an equivalent shift in specificity for the H5 subtype (24). Likewise, the amino acid changes required to alter the H3 HA from an avian- to human-type receptor binding specificity are different from those required for the HI HA. Therefore, it is likely that different avian HA subtypes have different structural requirements to confer receptor specificity. Thus, it is currently unknown which additional mutations in the H5 HA would cause a shift to the human-type specificity, which may be required for H5N1 viruses to transmit efficiently among humans.

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## Protein Kinase C $\beta$ and Prolyl Isomerase 1 Regulate Mitochondrial Effects of the Life-Span Determinant p66 Shc

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66-kilodalton isoform of the growth factor adapter Shc (p66<sup>Shc</sup>) translates oxidative damage into cell death by acting as reactive oxygen species (ROS) producer within mitochondria. However, the signaling link between cellular stress and mitochondrial proapoptotic activity of p66<sup>Shc</sup> was not known. We demonstrate that protein kinase C  $\beta$ , activated by oxidative conditions in the cell, induces phosphorylation of p66<sup>Shc</sup> and triggers mitochondrial accumulation of the protein after it is recognized by the prolyl isomerase Pin1. Once imported, p66<sup>Shc</sup> causes alterations of mitochondrial Ca<sup>2+</sup> responses and three-dimensional structure, thus inducing apoptosis. These data identify a signaling route that activates an apoptotic inducer shortening the life span and could be a potential target of pharmacological approaches to inhibit aging.

The protein p66<sup>Shc</sup> (1-4) is an alternatively spliced isoform of a growth factor adapter that is phosphorylated upon oxidative stress (2). Ablation of the p66<sup>Shc</sup> gene causes life-span prolongation with no pathological consequence (2). A fraction of p66<sup>Shc</sup> localizes to mitochondria (3-5), where it binds to cytochrome c and acts as oxidoreductase, generating reactive oxygen species (ROS) and leading to organelle dysfunction and cell death (5). The route leading to p66<sup>Shc</sup> activation is still unclear.

Phosphorylation of a critical serine (Ser<sup>36</sup>) is necessary (2), but the kinase responsible has not been identified. Moreover, mitochondrial p66<sup>She</sup> is unphosphorylated, indicating that additional regulatory elements must exist.

Mitochondria receive, under stimulation by physiological agonists or toxic agents, Ca<sup>2+</sup>-mediated inputs (6-8) that are decoded into effects as diverse as metabolic stimulation and apoptosis (9). Ca<sup>2+</sup> responsiveness is a highly sensitive readout of mitochondrial state: Partial

defects in mitochondrial energization, as in mitochondrial diseases, cause defects in Ca2+ handling by the organelle (10). Moreover, mitochondrial Ca2+ uptake is modulated by regulatory proteins such as kinases. Some protein kinase C (PKC) isoforms (11) specifically affect the responses of mitochondrial Ca2+ to agonists (PKCβ reduces them, whereas PKCζ enhances them) (12). PKCs are also proposed to be activated in conditions of oxidative stress (13). We therefore used acquorin to monitor cellular concentrations of Ca<sup>2+</sup>, a green fluorescent protein with mitochondrial presequence (mtGFP) to monitor organelle structure, and other molecular tools to clarify the signaling route linking the oxidative challenge to the activation of p66Shc proapoptotic effect within

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Ithough SFV has not been associated with any disease or health conditions in monkeys or humans, current research does not allow s to rule out the possibility that this virus could result in future disease or health conditions. So this question is being added as a recautionary measure.

s well Canadian Blood Services is removing or altering three additional questions on the record of donation:

- The question " In the past week, have you had a fever with headache?" is being eliminated. This question was added after an
  FDA recommendation about West Nile Virus. A positive response meant the donor would be deferred. However evidence suggests
  this question is no longer considered to be useful and is also being removed by U.S. blood operators and Héma-Quebec.
  'Question 3)
- e phrase "sometimes used for treatment of infertility or to promote weight loss" is being removed from the question " Have
  you ever taken human pituitary growth hormones, human pituitary gonadotrophin hormone." This hormone is no longer used in
  those treatments. (Question 7 b)
- The list of specific illnesses in Question 8 is repetitive of other questions on the form. So Canadian Blood Services is removing references to "liver problems," "convulsions," "blood pressure problems," "heart surgery," and "ulcerative colitis."

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一般的名称	フィブリノゲン加第XM因-	チの研究報告の	Rift Valley Fever Out	<b>公表</b> 国			
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(問題点:ケニ る。)	アにおいてリフトバレー熱	やがアウトブレイクし、	1月25日現在、404症例(死	亡 118 症例)が確認	されてい	使用上の注意記載状況・ その他参考事項等	
2006年12月中旬に、ケニア保健省に発熱および全身性の出血に関連した原因不明の死亡が North Eastern 州に位置する Garissa 地区から複数報告され、12月20日までに合計 11例の死亡が報告された。最初の患者19例から収集した血清サンプルのうちの10例からリフトバレー(RFV)ウイルス RNA または RFV ウイルスに対する IgM 抗体が発見された。ヒトへの RVF ウイルス感染は、RVF ウイルス感染した動物を餌とした蚊や蚊以外の節足動物に刺されたり、ウイルス血症を有す動物、特に家畜に接触したりして起こる。North Eastern 州では、家畜の死亡や原因不明な動物の流産といった報告があり、このことも RVF アウトブレイクを裏付けている。アウトブレイクは複数の州および地区に拡大し、1月25日現在、症例404例(死亡118例)が確認されているが、アウトブレイクは 2006年12月24日にピークを迎え、2006年12月27日以降、一日の症例数は減少傾向にある。12月27日付けでガリッサ地区における家畜のと殺が禁止され、その他の地区でも RVFが検出されたことから、その禁止は拡大された。2007年1月8日には弱毒生 RVF ワクチン接種が始まった。							
別紙のとおり	報告企業の意見		今後とも関連情報の収集 図っていきたい。	後の対応 に努め、本剤の安全性	の確保を		

