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| **Supplementary Materials**    **Figure S1.** *M. tuberculosis* (*Mtb*) are able to survive exposure to different concentrations of anti-TB drugs in the *ex vivo* cultures of alveolar macrophages obtained from the distant lung tissues of patient 10 with XDR-TB and patient 14 with isoniazid-resistant TB. (**a**) The number of alveolar macrophages with a particular number of acid-fast *Mtb* in them expressed as the percentage of the total number of infected alveolar macrophages does not change significantly between the *ex vivo* cell cultures exposed to different concentrations of anti-TB drugs during three days. Drugs: H, isoniazid; R, rifampicin; Of, ofloxacin; K, kanamycin; Cap, capreomycin. (**b**) The colonies of acid-fast *Mtb* stained by the ZN method and indicated by black arrows are demonstrated on representative images of viable alveolar macrophages without apoptotic or necrotic morphology exposed to different concentrations of anti-TB drugs in *ex vivo* culture during three days for patient 14. The scale bars are 10 μm each.    **Figure S2.** Intracellular lipophilic inclusions are not found in the *Mtb* located both within and outside the alveolar macrophages obtained from the tuberculoma walls (tub) and the tissues distant from the macro-TB lesions of the patients’ resected lung parts on representative confocal 3D or single immunofluorescent images stained by the *Mtb* LAM- or ESAT-6-specific antibodies (green signal) and Nile red dye (red signal) after *ex vivo* culture for 16-18 hours. Nuclei are stained by DAPI (blue signal). Green arrows point to *Mtb* (solitary or as colonies). To the right of these images: the profile images of the arrow-marked *Mtb* shown. Yellow arrows point to the areas for constructing profile graphs. The scale bars are 10 μm each.    **Figure S3.** Rv2623-positive *Mtb* present in alveolar macrophages and necrotic caseum in various lung TB lesions of all the patients studied. (**a**) The number of alveolar macrophages or caseous regions with LAM- or ESAT-6- and Rv2623-positive *Mtb* (solitary or as colonies) and with *Mtb* colonies (including those with cording morphology) is expressed as the percentage of the total number of host cells or caseous regions with LAM- or ESAT-6- and Rv2623-positive *Mtb* analyzedsimultaneously in them on the histological sections and after *ex vivo* culture for 16-18 hours; (**b**) Representative profile images demonstrate LAM- or ESAT-6-positive *Mtb* (green signal)not expressing Rv2623 protein and, conversely, Rv2623-positive *Mtb* (red signal) not expressing the virulence factors LAM and ESAT-6 in the caseous center of a small granuloma (only for patient 14) and tuberculomas (for other patients) on the histological sections. Yellow arrows point to the areas for constructing profile graphs. Close-ups of the images with the arrow-marked *Mtb* and the scale bar are shown in the lower right part of profile images. The scale bars are 1 μm each; (**c**) The *Mtb* markers stained with antibodies reacting with *Mtb* LAM or ESAT-6 (green signal) and *Mtb* Rv2623 (red signal) often colocalize in the same intracellular vesicles of alveolar macrophages **along with** or without marker-positive *Mtb* in them on the histological sections and after *ex vivo* cell culture for 16-18 hours. Representative confocal immunofluorescent images are shown. Short yellow arrows point to the alveolar macrophages with intracellular vesicles in them. Long green and red arrows point to ESAT-6- and Rv2623-positive *Mtb*, respectively. The scale bars are 10 μm each.    **Figure S4.** Rv2623-positive *Mtb* identified in alveolar macrophages in tuberculoma (tub) walls and tissues distant (dist) from the macro-TB lesions of patients 32 and 33 without any anti-TB treatment before surgery. Representative images of acid-fast *Mtb* after ZN staining are shown in the patients’ alveolar macrophages on the histological sections. Representative confocal 3D immunofluorescent images simultaneously stained with appropriate specific antibodies and dyes demonstrate Rv2623-positive *Mtb* (green signal)not expressing the virulence factors LAM and ESAT-6 and, vice versa, LAM- or ESAT-6-positive *Mtb* (red signal) not expressing Rv2623 protein, the absence of intracellular lipophilic inclusions stained by the Nile red dye (red signal), and a lack of colocalization with filamentous actin stained by the Phalloidin dye (red signal) in Rv2623-positive *Mtb* (green signal) in alveolar macrophages on the histological sections. Nuclei are stained by DAPI (blue signal). Green, red, and black arrows point to Rv2623-, LAM- or ESAT-6-positive *Mtb*, and acid-fast *Mtb*, respectively. To the right of the 3D immunofluorescent images: profile images of the arrow-marked *Mtb*. Yellow arrows point to the areas for constructing profile graphs. The scale bars are 10 μm each.  **Table S1.** Subpopulations (SP) of *Mtb* in alveolar macrophages of patients with pulmonary TB   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | SP1 | TB patients2 | | | | | | | | | | | | 1, 11,  12, 21 | 2 | 3 | 4, 23 | 5 | 6 (cav), 10 | 7, 8 | 9 | 13 | 14 | 15 | | | 1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9  10 | +  -  -  -  -  -  -  ns  +  - | +  +  -  -  -  -  -  ns  +  - | +  +  +  -  +  -  -  ns  +  + | +  +  +  +  -  -  +  ns  +  + | +  -  +  -  -  -  -  ns  +  - | +  +  +  +  -  +  +  ns  +  + | +  +  +  +  -  +  +  ns  ns  ns | +  +  +  +  -  -  +  ns  ns  ns | +  -  -  -  -  -  +  ns  +  - | +  -  +  -  -  -  +  +  +  + | +  -  +  -  -  -  -  +  +  + |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | SP1 | TB patients2 | | | | | | | | | | | | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 22 | 26 | 24, 27 | | 25, 28, 29 | | | tub | dist | tub | dist | | 1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9  10 | +  -  +  +  -  -  -  +  +  + | +  +  +  +  -  -  -  ns  +  - | +  +  +  +  -  +  +  +  +  + | +  -  +  -  +  -  -  ns  +  + | +  +  -  -  -  -  +  ns  +  - | +  +  +  +  +  -  ns  ns  +  + | +  -  +  -  +  -  -  ns  +  + | +  + -  +  + -  - +  + -  + -  + -  +  + | | +  -  +  -  -  -  -  - ns  +  + | |   (+), is present; (-), is absent; ns, not studied.  1 Description in Table 2.  2 Alveolar macrophages were studied in the *ex vivo* cell cultures obtained from the cavity (cav) and tuberculoma (tub) walls and the tissues distant (dist or without labeling) from the macro-TB lesions of the patients’ resected lung parts. |