# Overview of Moderna's Investigational Next Generation COVID-19 Vaccine, mRNA-1283, in Individuals ≥12 Years of Age

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# COVID-19 Remains a Leading Cause of Hospitalization among Respiratory Viruses in the US

### Risk Factors for Severe COVID Infection in the US<sup>1</sup>

### **Advancing Age**

Adults ≥65 years account for:

- >60% of COVID-19 hospitalizations (since 2023)<sup>2</sup>
- ~76% of deaths (since 2020)<sup>3</sup>

### **Pre-Existing Chronic Conditions**<sup>4</sup>

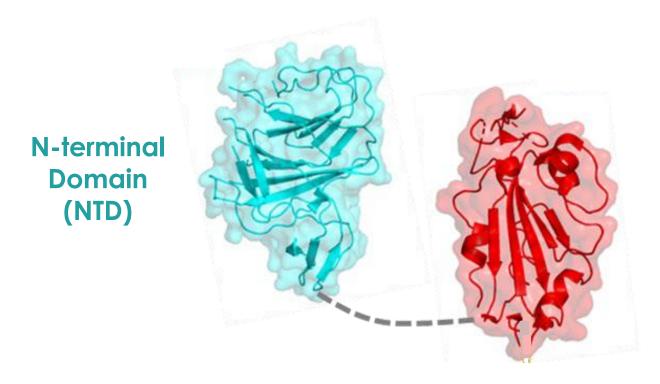
 95% of adults hospitalized with COVID-19 have ≥1 underlying medical condition

Effective prophylactic approaches to address the burden of disease in vulnerable populations remain a high priority

- 1. https://www.cdc.gov/covid/hcp/clinical-care/underlying-conditions.html
- 2. https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#covidnet-hospitalization-network
- B. https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#demographics
- 4. https://www.cdc.gov/pcd/issues/2021/21\_0123.htm



# Design of mRNA-1283 Investigational Next Generation COVID-19 Vaccine



Receptor Binding Domain (RBD)

--- 7-amino acid flexible linker

Lower mRNA dose (10 µg; 1/5th of dose of Spikevax)

- 1. Piccoli et al, Cell 2020 doi: 10.1016/j.cell.2020.09.037
- 2. Dejnirattisai et al, Cell 2021 doi: 10.1016/j.cell.2021.03.055
- 3. Cerutti et al, Cell Host Microbe 2021 doi: 10.1016/j.chom.2021.03.005



# Pivotal Safety, Immunogenicity and Relative Vaccine Efficacy Study

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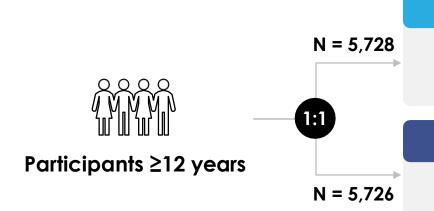






## **Study Design & Primary Objectives**

#### Randomized, blinded, active-controlled phase 3 trial



mRNA-1283 (10 μg)

Original: Omicron BA.4/BA.5
Bivalent Vaccine

SPIKEVAX (mRNA-1273 - 50 μg)

Original: Omicron BA.4/BA.5
Bivalent Vaccine

## Stratified randomization:

Age groups (12-17, 18-64, and ≥65)

#### **Primary Objectives**

Safety and Reactogenicity

mRNA-1283 & SPIKEVAX

Non-Inferior
Immunogenicity
mRNA-1283 vs SPIKEVAX

Non-Inferior Relative Vaccine Efficacy (rVE)

mRNA-1283 vs SPIKEVAX (based on CDC COVID-19 definition)



# Demographics and Baseline Characteristics Balanced Between Groups

Study 301 - Safety Set	mRNA-1283 (10 μg) N = 5706	SPIKEVAX (50 μg) N = 5711
Mean age, years (range)	51.1 (12, 96)	51.2 (12, 90)
Median age, years	56	55
Age subgroup, % (n)		
12-17 years	<b>8.7%</b> (497)	<b>8.7%</b> (495)
18-64 years	<b>62.7%</b> (3575)	<b>62.6%</b> (3576)
≥65 years	<b>28.6%</b> (1634)	<b>28.7%</b> (1640)
Race/Ethnicity, % (n)		
White	<b>81.8%</b> (4670)	<b>82.5%</b> (4711)
Black or African American	<b>11.2%</b> (640)	<b>11.1%</b> (635)
Asian	<b>3.9%</b> (225)	<b>3.2%</b> (183)
Hispanic or Latino	<b>13.5%</b> (769)	<b>13.0%</b> (741)
≥1 pre-existing COVID-19 comorbidity (CDC definition)	<b>46.0%</b> (2626)	<b>46.6%</b> (2664)

Race/ethnicity generally representative of US population



# Prior SARS-CoV-2 Infection and Time Since Last COVID-19 Vaccination Balanced Between Groups

Study 301 - Safety Set

#### Eligibility criteria:

- All study participants previously received primary series of COVID-19 vaccine
- Adults ≥18 years received ≥1 dose beyond primary series

	mRNA-1283 (10 μg) N = 5706	SPIKEVAX (50 μg) N = 5711
Prior SARS-CoV-2 Infection <sup>1</sup>	73.8%	74.8%
Months since last COVID-19 vaccination, median (Q1, Q3)	<b>9.8</b> (7.6, 16.9)	<b>9.8</b> (7.7, 16.7)



<sup>1.</sup> Evidence of SARS-CoV-2 infection pre-study vaccination (defined by a positive RT-PCR test, and/or a positive serology test based on binding antibody specific to SARS-CoV-2 nucleocapsid)

<sup>2.</sup> Q - quartile

## **Safety Results**

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## Primary Safety Endpoints and Duration of Follow-up

Study 301 Safety Set – Median 8.8 Months Follow-up

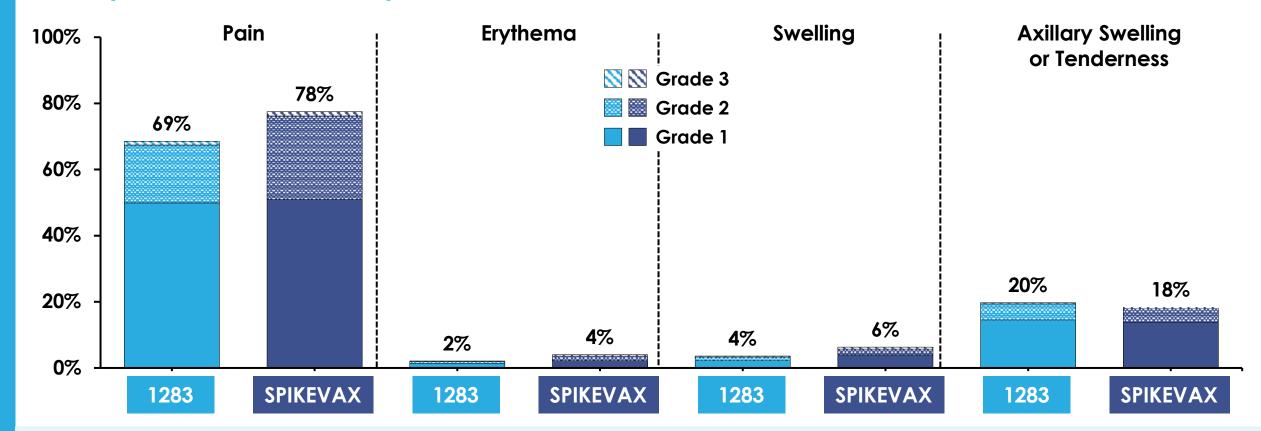
Solicited Local and vstemic Adverse Reactions **Unsolicited Adverse Events Active Safety** Surveillance Medically Attended AEs, Serious AEs Including Death, AEs Leading to Discontinuations **Adverse Events of Special Interest** (including Myocarditis, Pericarditis, Thrombocytopenia, Neurologic Events<sup>1</sup>, and Anaphylaxis) 12 months 28 Days 7 Days

Trial overseen by independent Data and Safety Monitoring Board (DSMB)



## Solicited Local Adverse Reactions within 7 Days of Vaccination with mRNA-1283 and SPIKEVAX

Study 301 – Solicited Safety Set

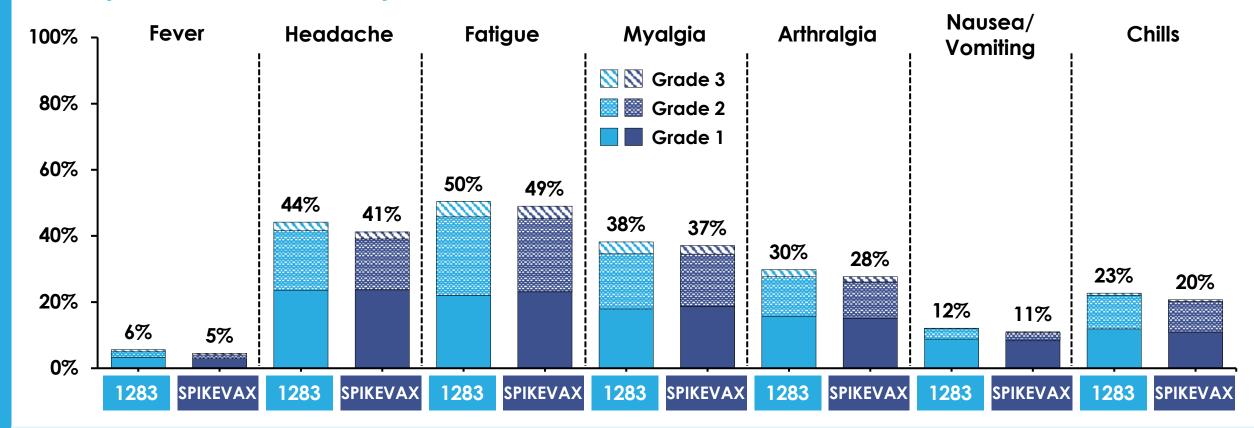


- Pain at the injection site was most frequently observed solicited local adverse reaction for both groups
- 1 2 days median duration for local adverse reactions



## Solicited Systemic Adverse Reactions within 7 Days of Vaccination with mRNA-1283 and SPIKEVAX

Study 301 – Solicited Safety Set



- Fatigue, headache, and myalgia most frequently observed solicited systemic adverse reactions for both groups
- 1-2 days median duration for systemic adverse reactions



## Similar Frequency of Unsolicited AEs Within 28 Days After Injection, Regardless of Relationship to Vaccine, Between mRNA-1283 and SPIKEVAX

Study 301 – Safety Set

	mRNA-1283 (10 μg) N = 5706	SPIKEVAX (50 μg) N = 5711
<b>All,</b> % (n)	<b>12%</b> (701)	<b>12%</b> (680)
Serious	<b>0.2%</b> (13)	<b>0.3%</b> (18)
Fatal	<b>0%</b> (0)	<b>0.02%</b> (1)
Medically-Attended	<b>7%</b> (425)	<b>7%</b> (422)
Leading to Study Discontinuation	<b>0%</b> (0)	<b>0.02%</b> (1)
Any Adverse Event of Special Interest (AESI)	<b>0.05%</b> (3)	<b>0.1%</b> (6)
Myocarditis/Pericarditis	<b>0%</b> (0)	<b>0%</b> (0)



## Safety Summary through Median 8.8 Months of Follow-up

- No imbalances in any adverse events between the vaccine groups
- No myocarditis or pericarditis in recipients of mRNA-1283
- No safety concerns identified



## **Immunogenicity**

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## mRNA-1283 Elicited Higher Antibody Response at Day 29 Compared to SPIKEVAX

Study 301 – Per-Protocol Immunogenicity Set (Randomly Selected Subset)

<b>GMC</b> (95% CI) <sup>1</sup>	mRNA-1283 (10 μg) N = 621	SPIKEVAX (50 μg) N = 568		R (95% CI) 83 over SPIKEVAX
Original SARS-CoV-2	<b>10632</b> (9960, 11349)	<b>8577</b> (8013, 9180)		<b>1.2</b> (1.1, 1.4)
BA.4/BA.5	<b>2341</b> (2167, 2529)	<b>1754</b> (1618, 1901)		<b>1.3</b> (1.2, 1.5)
		0	0.667	1

Seroresponse Rate, % (95%	% CI)				Ser	oresp	onse l	Rate [	Differe	ence (	95% (	CI)	
Original SARS-CoV-2	<b>83.6%</b> (80.4, 86.4)	<b>72.9%</b> (69.0, 76.5)							_	10	. <b>7%</b> (6	.0, 15.4	4)
BA.4/BA.5	<b>79.9%</b> (76.5, 83.0)	<b>65.5%</b> (61.4, 69.4)									14.4	<b>!%</b> (9.3	, 19,4
			25	-20	-15	-10	-5	0	5	10	15	20	

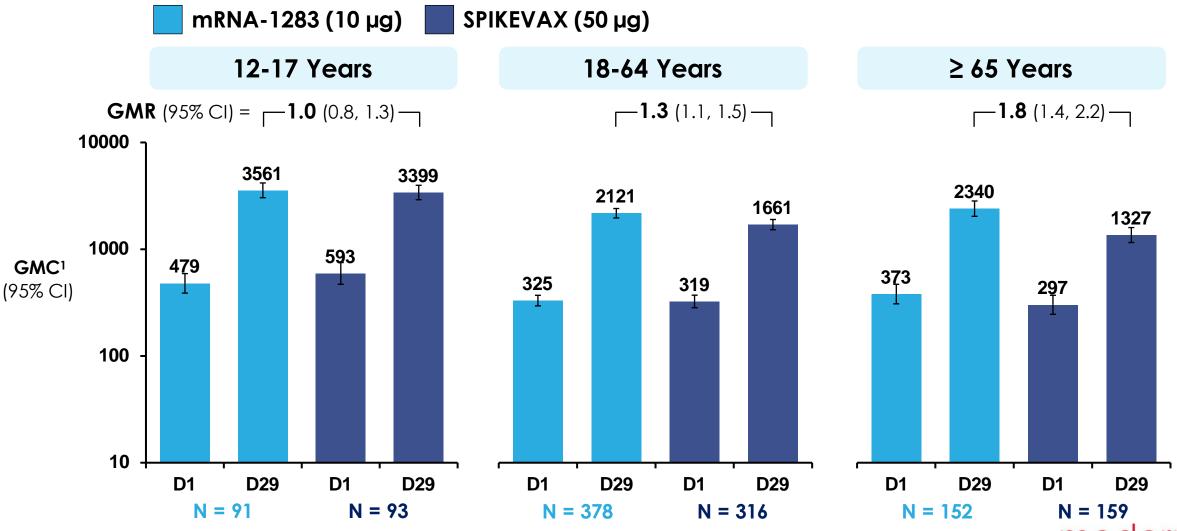
## Noninferiority Success Criteria Met

- **GMR:** Lower 95% CI of GMR was >0.667
- Seroresponse rate difference: Lower 95% CI of difference >-10%



# Highest BA.4/BA.5 Neutralizing Antibody Geometric Mean Ratio (GMR) at Day 29 in Adults ≥65 Years Old

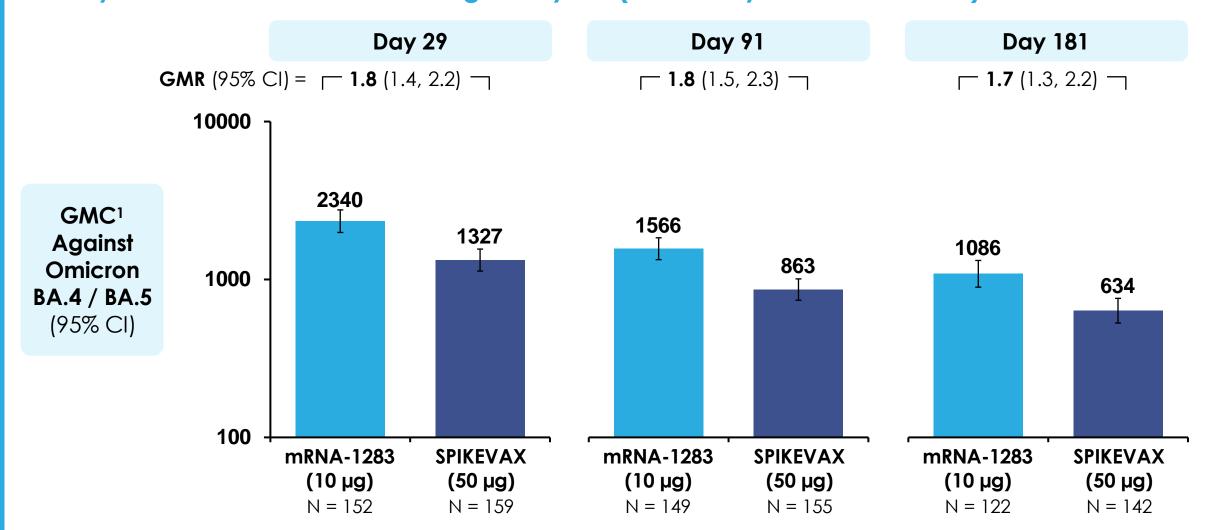
Study 301 – Per Protocol Immunogenicity (Randomly Selected Subset)



<sup>1.</sup> GMC estimated based on ANCOVA model © 2025 Moderna, inc. All rights reserved.

## mRNA-1283 Elicited Consistently Higher Antibody Responses Compared to SPIKEVAX Over Time - Adults ≥65 Years of Age

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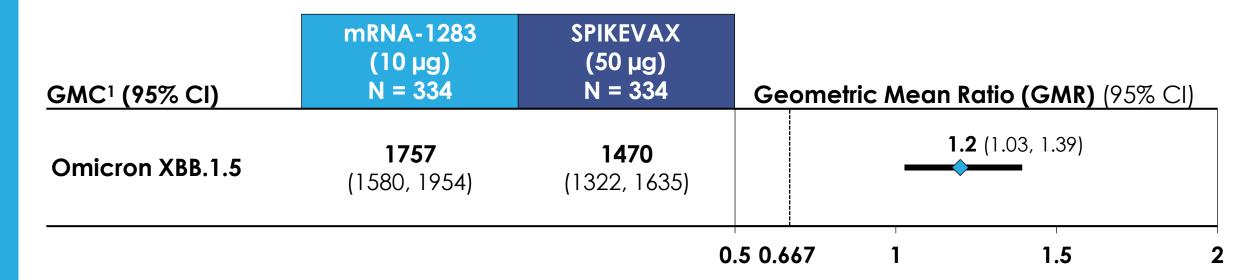




## Neutralizing Antibody Responses against Omicron XBB.1.5 with mRNA-1283 Similar to SPIKEVAX

Study 301 – Per-Protocol Immunogenicity Set - Japan

• Study assessed safety & immunogenicity of monovalent XBB.1.5 COVID-19 vaccine



Noninferiority
Success
Criteria Met

Lower 95% CI of GMR was >0.667



# Relative Vaccine Efficacy of mRNA-1283 vs SPIKEVAX (mRNA-1273)

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## **COVID-19 Case Definition and Surveillance**

#### CDC COVID-19 Definition<sup>1</sup>

- Virologic confirmation of SARS-CoV-2 infection via PCR
- Presence of ≥1 symptom consistent with COVID-19 within 14 days of positive PCR
  - Fever or chills
  - Cough
  - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing

- Fatigue
- Muscle or body ache
- Headache
- Nausea or vomiting

- Loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Diarrhea

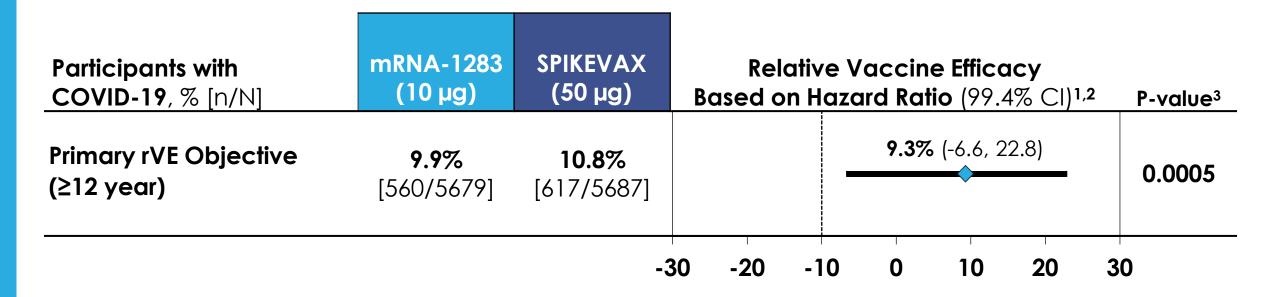
#### **COVID-19 Surveillance**

- Biweekly symptom surveillance conducted using an electronic diary prompt
  - Participants with symptoms seen for clinical evaluation and collection of respiratory samples for SARS-CoV-2 PCR

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# Prespecified Success Criteria Met for Relative Vaccine Efficacy of mRNA-1283 vs SPIKEVAX

Per-Protocol Set for Efficacy (Median 8 Months)



# Noninferiority Success Criteria Met

• Lower bound of two-sided 99.4% (alpha-adjusted) CI of rVE > -10% (1-sided alpha spending: 0.0028)

Based on CDC COVID-19 definition



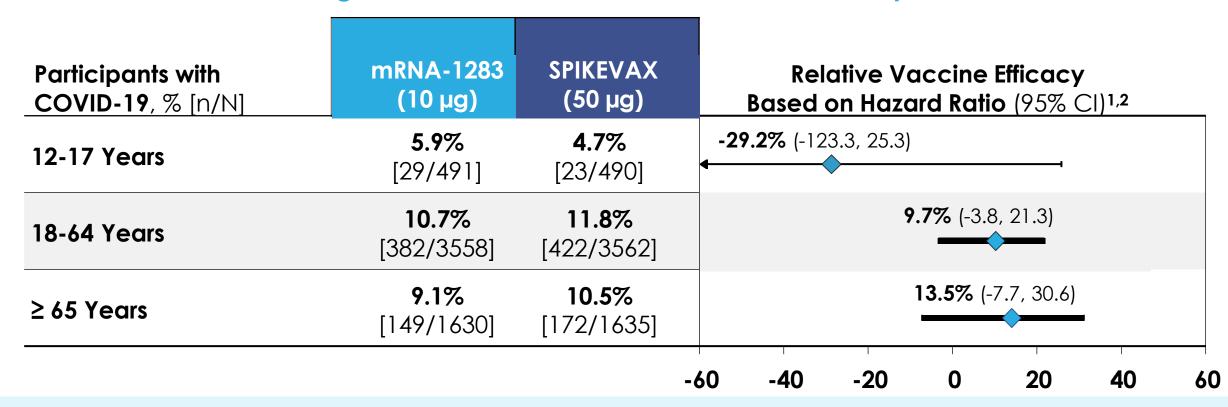
<sup>1</sup> rVE =1-hazard ratio, hazard ratio estimated using a stratified Cox proportional hazard model (stratified by age group at randomization) and with treatment group as a fixed effect.

<sup>2</sup> Alpha-adjusted 2-sided (99.4%) CI was calculated using the Lan-DeMets O'Brien-Fleming Spending function (nominal one-sided alpha of 0.0028)

<sup>3</sup> P-value based on the stratified Cox proportional hazard model to test the null hypothesis log (hazard ratio)>=log(1.1)

# Relative Vaccine Efficacy of mRNA-1283 vs SPIKEVAX in Participants by Age

COVID-19 Events<sup>1</sup> through 31 Jan 2024 – Per-Protocol Set for Efficacy



- Highest relative vaccine efficacy in adults ≥65 years
- Limited number of COVID-19 cases in 12-17-year-olds results in imprecise relative vaccine efficacy estimate



## Relative Vaccine Efficacy Favorable for mRNA-1283 for Individuals with Comorbidities

Post Hoc Analysis – Based on CDC Definition for COVID-19 Risk<sup>1</sup>

Participants with COVID-19, % [n/N]	mRNA-1283 (10 μg)	SPIKEVAX (50 µg)	Relative Vaccine Efficacy Based on Hazard Ratio (95% CI) <sup>1</sup>
≥ 1 comorbidities	<b>10.2%</b> [267/2617]	<b>12.4%</b> [329/2658]	<b>17.5%</b> (3.0, 29.8)
And ≥ 50 Years	<b>9.6%</b> [169/1755]	<b>12.4%</b> [228/1833]	<b>23.0%</b> (6.1, 36.9)
And ≥ 65 years	<b>8.5%</b> [78/913]	<b>11.8%</b> [110/929]	<b>28.6%</b> (4.6, 46.6)
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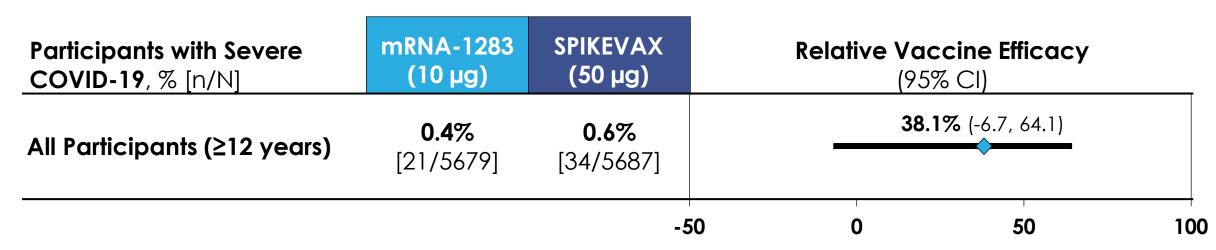
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<sup>1.</sup> https://www.cdc.gov/covid/risk-factors/index.html

# Relative Vaccine Efficacy of mRNA-1283 vs SPIKEVAX Demonstrated in Prevention of <u>Severe</u> COVID-19

Post Hoc Analysis – Protocol Set for Efficacy, through 31 Jan 2024

- SPIKEVAX effective in prevention of severe COVID-19 in pivotal efficacy trial and real-world effectiveness studies<sup>1-3</sup>
- 55 cases of severe COVID-19 identified in this trial
  - Severe criteria per FDA guidance (originally used in mRNA-1273 efficacy trial)
  - Majority (92.7%) of severe COVID-19 cases were due to blood pressure or oxygen saturation abnormalities



<sup>1.</sup> https://www.fda.gov/regulatory-information/search-fda-guidance-documents/development-and-licensure-vaccines-prevent-covid-19; 2. Zheng et al Intl J Inf Dis 2022; 3. Link-Gelles ACIP 2024.

Severe defined as respiratory failure/ARDS, renal/hepatic/neurologic dysfunction, admission to ICU/death, or vital sign abnormalities indicative of severe systemic illness or BP abnormalities indicative of shock (respiratory rate  $\geq$ 30 per minute, heart rate  $\geq$ 125 beats per minute, or SpO2  $\leq$ 93% on room air at sea level or PaO2/FiO2 <300 mmHg, systolic BP <90 mmHg, diastolic BP <60 mmHg, or requiring vasopressors)



## Summary



## Summary - Next Generation COVID-19 Vaccine mRNA-1283

#### Safety

mRNA-1283 generally well tolerated; no safety concerns identified

### **Immunogenicity**

- Pre-specified non-inferiority objectives met
- mRNA-1283 elicited higher immune responses than SPIKEVAX
- GMR highest in participants ≥65 years old (GMR 1.8; 95% CI: 1.4, 2.2)

## Relative Vaccine Efficacy (rVE)

- Prespecified rVE non-inferiority objective met
   9.3% mRNA-1283 vs mRNA-1273; 99.4% CI: -6.6, 22.8
- Trend for higher rVE point estimates with advancing age and comorbidity <u>></u>65 years old:

13.5% mRNA-1283 vs mRNA-1273; 95% CI: -7.7, 30.6

 $\geq$ 65 years old and  $\geq$ 1 comorbidity\* (*Post hoc*):

28.6% mRNA-1283 vs mRNA-1273; 95% CI: 4.6, 46.6

#### Public Health Benefit

 mRNA-1283 has the potential to further reduce the burden of COVID-19, particularly among those most vulnerable to severe outcomes

GMR – geometric mean ratio;



<sup>\*</sup> Comorbidities associated with severe COVID-19 outcomes https://www.cdc.gov/covid/risk-factors/index.html © 2025 Moderna, inc. All rights reserved.

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- Most importantly, the individuals who participated in these trials

