

Supplementary information

S1: Model details for statistical analysis

We followed model simplification by sequentially dropping the least significant term and comparing the change in deviance with and without the term to χ^2 distributions (for linear mixed effect models) or F distributions (general linear models) until the minimal adequate model was reached. The first non-significant terms are shown in the order they were dropped from the top of the table and those included in the minimal model are highlighted in bold. A table is provided for each of the results referred to in the main text.

Table S1.1: Line and treatment effects on overall parasite dynamics

Linear mixed effect model						
Response variable	Model term	Residual d.f.	d.f. for term	χ^2	P value	
Parasite density (log10)	Parasite genotype				NA	
	Treatment				NA	
	Day (as.factor)				NA	
	Genotype*treatment				NA	
	Genotype*day				NA	
	Day*treatment				NA	
	Genotype*day*treatment	953	110	744.2	<0.0001	
Random effect	Mouse ID	953	1			
Error structure for temporal autocorrelation	corAR1(form=~day mouse.id) Phi = 0.84	953	1	980	<0.0001	

Table S1.2: Differences between parasite genotypes in clearance rates in treated infections

General linear model with Gaussian error structure						
Response variable	Model term	Residual d.f.	d.f. for term	relationship	F	P value
Parasite half-life (log10)	Red blood cell density (day 6)	14	1		0.09	0.77
	Red blood cell density (day 11)	15	1		0.16	0.70
	Lag in clearance	16	1		1.04	0.32
	Pre-treatment growth	17	1		1.25	0.27
	Parasite genotype	18	4		10.75	<0.0005
	Density of day 6	18	1	Negative	5.58	0.030
Tukey post-hoc test for multiple comparisons of means						
Comparison				estimate	Z	p value
AQ - AJ				+ 0.21	5.91	<0.001
AS (pryR) - AJ					1.88	0.32
AS (wt) - AJ					2.49	0.09
ER - AJ				+ 0.17	4.74	<0.001
AS (pryR) - AQ				- 0.13	3.53	<0.005
AS (wt) - AQ				- 0.11	3.32	0.008
ER - AQ					1.18	0.76
AS (wt) - AS (pryR)					0.50	0.99
ER - AS (pryR)					2.02	0.25
ER - AS (wt)					1.82	0.36

Table S1.3: Correlations between clearance rates and other infection parameters in treated infections

General linear model with Gaussian error structure						
Response variable	Model term	Residual d.f.	d.f. for term	relationship	F	P value
Parasite half-life (log10)	Red blood cell density (day 11)	18	1		<0.001	0.99
	Red blood cell density (day 6)	19	1		0.43	0.52
	Lag in clearance	20	1		0.77	0.39
	Density on day 6	21	1		1.65	0.21
	Intrinsic growth rate	22	1	Negative	15.55	<0.001

Table S1.4: Differences between parasite genotypes in clearance rates in untreated infections

General linear model with Gaussian error structure						
Response variable	Model term	Residual d.f.	d.f. for term	relationship	F	P value
Parasite half-life (log10)	Red blood cell density (day 6)	16	1		0.05	0.82
	Pre-peak growth rate	17	1		2.13	0.16
	Parasite genotype	18	4		6.48	<0.005
	Density of day 6	18	1	Negative	5.11	0.036

Table S1.5: Relative contribution of deteriorating host environment and drugs. Data from treated and untreated infections.

General linear model with Gaussian error structure						
Response variable	Model term	Residual d.f.	d.f. for term	relationship	F	P value
Parasite half-life (log10)	Red blood cell density (day 6)	35	1		0.04	0.85
	Pre-peak growth rate	36	1	Negative	4.15	0.049
	Density of day 6	36	1	Negative	9.48	<0.005
	Parasite genotype					
	Treatment					
	Parasite genotype * Treatment	36	4		9.10	<0.0001

Table S1.6: Parasite dynamics post treatment

Linear mixed effect model						
Response variable	Model term	Residual d.f.	d.f. for term	χ^2	P value	
Parasite density (log10)	Lag in clearance	243	1	0.004	0.95	
	Growth rate pre-treatment	244	1	0.18	0.68	
	Half-life during treatment	245	1	0.13	0.72	
	Density at end of treatment	246	1	1.44	0.23	
	Parasite genotype					
	Day					
	Parasite genotype * Day	247	52	160.5	<0.0001	
Random effect	Mouse ID	247	1			
Error structure for temporal autocorrelation	corAR1(form=~day mouse.id)	247	1	327.5	<0.0001	
	Phi = 0.78					

Table S1.7: The effect of parasite genotype on cumulative parasite density post-treatment

General linear model with Gaussian error structure						
Response variable	Model term	Residual d.f.	d.f. for term	relationship	F	P value
Cumulative density (log10)	End of treatment density	15	1		0.48	0.50
	Parasite half life	16	1		0.94	0.35
	Growth rate pre-treatment	17	1		1.12	0.30
	End of treatment RBC density	18	1		3.54	0.076
	Parasite genotype	19	4		9.74	<0.0005
Tukey post-hoc test for multiple comparisons of means						
Comparison				estimate	Z	p value
AQ - AJ				+ 1.35	3.94	<0.001
AS (pryR) - AJ					0.75	0.94
AS (wt) - AJ				+ 0.95	2.78	0.043
ER - AJ				+ 1.19	3.47	0.005
AS (pryR) - AQ				- 1.60	4.98	<0.002
AS (wt) - AQ					1.23	0.73
ER - AQ					0.50	0.98
AS (wt) - AS (pryR)				+ 1.21	3.75	0.002
ER - AS (pryR)				+ 1.44	4.48	<0.001
ER - AS (wt)					0.73	0.95

Table S1.8: Correlations between cumulative density post-treatment and other infection parameters

General linear model with Gaussian error structure						
Response variable	Model term	Residual d.f.	d.f. for term	relationship	F	P value
Cumulative density (log10)	Growth rate pre-treatment	19	1		0.35	0.77
	Parasite half-life	20	1		0.29	0.60
	End of treatment RBC density	21	1		2.95	0.10
	End of treatment density	22	1	Positive	7.50	0.012

Table S1.9: Line and treatment effects on infection virulence: Whole infection

Linear mixed effect model: RBC						
Response variable	Model term	Residual d.f.	d.f. for term	X ²	P value	
Red blood cell density (relative to baseline pre-infection)	Parasite genotype*treatment	14	4	2.90	0.58	
	Infection growth rate (days 3-6)	18	1	0.097	0.76	
	Parasite genotype	19	4	9.18	0.057	
	Treatment	23	1	5.41	0.02	
	Day	22	22	690.8	<0.0001	
Random effect	Mouse ID	23	1			
Error structure for temporal autocorrelation	corAR1(form=~day mouse.id) Phi = 0.77	23	1	963.6	<0.0001	
Linear mixed effect model: Weight						
Mouse weight (relative to baseline pre-infection)	Parasite genotype*treatment	14	4	3.66	0.45	
	Parasite genotype	18	4	3.055	0.54	
	Infection growth rate (days 3-6)	22	1	0.50	0.48	
	Treatment	23	1	18.10	<0.0001	
	Day	23	22	301.25	<0.0001	
Random effect	Mouse ID	23	1			
Error structure for temporal autocorrelation	corAR1(form=~day mouse.id) Phi = 0.74	23	1	758.4	<0.0001	

Table S1.10: Line and treatment effects on infection virulence: Initial acute infection (days 7-17)

Linear mixed effect model: RBC						
Response variable	Model term	Residual d.f.	d.f. for term	X ²	P value	
Red blood cell density (relative to baseline pre-infection)	Parasite genotype		4			
	Treatment		1			
	Parasite genotype*treatment	27	4	16.78	0.002	
	Day	27	9		<0.0001	
Random effect	Mouse ID	27	1			
Error structure for temporal autocorrelation	corAR1(form=~day mouse.id) Phi = 0.64	27	1	159.8	<0.0001	
Linear mixed effect model: Weight						
Mouse weight (relative to baseline pre-infection)	Parasite genotype*treatment	27	4	4.00	0.41	
	Parasite genotype	31	4	5.10	0.28	
	Treatment	32	1	27.38	<0.0001	
	Day	32	9	186.69	<0.0001	
Random effect	Mouse ID	32	1			
Error structure for temporal autocorrelation	corAR1(form=~day mouse.id) Phi = 0.76	32	1	313.23	<0.0001	

Table S1.11: Line and treatment effects on infection virulence: Late infection (days 18-26)

Linear mixed effect model: RBC					
Response variable	Model term	Residual d.f.	d.f. for term	X ²	P value
Red blood cell density (relative to baseline pre-infection)	Parasite genotype		4		
	Treatment		1		
	Parasite genotype*treatment	27	4	11.07	0.026
	Day	27	7	55.34	<0.0001
Random effect	Mouse ID	27	1		
Error structure for temporal autocorrelation	corAR1(form=~day mouse.id) Phi = 0.56	27	1	118.34	<0.0001
Linear mixed effect model: Weight					
Mouse weight (relative to baseline pre-infection)	Parasite genotype		4		
	Treatment		1		
	Parasite genotype*treatment	27	4	10.12	0.038
	Day	27	7	14.38	0.045
Random effect	Mouse ID	27	1		
Error structure for temporal autocorrelation	corAR1(form=~day mouse.id) Phi = 0.65	27	1	81.02	<0.0001

S2: Fixing the starting point for clearance curves

As we only took parasite density measurements every 24hrs (once per cell cycle) it is possible the peak could have occurred between measurements. In order to ensure that our choice of start point for the clearance curves did not influence whether we found variation in clearance rates between the parasite genotypes we re-fitted curves with a fixed start point on day 6 (the start of treatment). This led to a slightly worse fit to the data (mean R² = 0.91 ± 0.02 S.E.) but did not effect the conclusions of our analysis (S1).

Table S2: Analysis of genetic variation in clearance rate when all clearance curves fitted from day 6

General linear model with Gaussian error structure						
Response variable	Model term	Residual d.f.	d.f. for term	relationship	F	P value
Parasite half-life (log10)	Red blood cell density (day 6)	14	1		0.19	0.67
	Lag in clearance	16	1		0.37	0.55
	Red blood cell density (day 11)	15	1		0.67	0.42
	Pre-treatment growth	17	1		2.19	0.16
	Density of day 6	18	1		Negative	5.22
	Parasite genotype	18	4		7.19	0.0012
Tukey post-hoc test for multiple comparisons of means						
Comparison				estimate	Z	p value
AQ - AJ				+ 0.16	4.82	<0.001
AS (pryR) - AJ					0.96	0.87
AS (wt) - AJ					1.92	0.30
ER - AJ				+ 0.11	3.23	0.011
AS (pryR) - AQ				- 0.12	3.53	0.004
AS (wt) - AQ				- 0.09	2.84	0.036
ER - AQ					1.60	0.49
AS (wt) - AS (pryR)					0.99	0.86
ER - AS (pryR)					1.68	0.44
ER - AS (wt)					1.03	0.84