



How to Target Intracellular Pathogens ?

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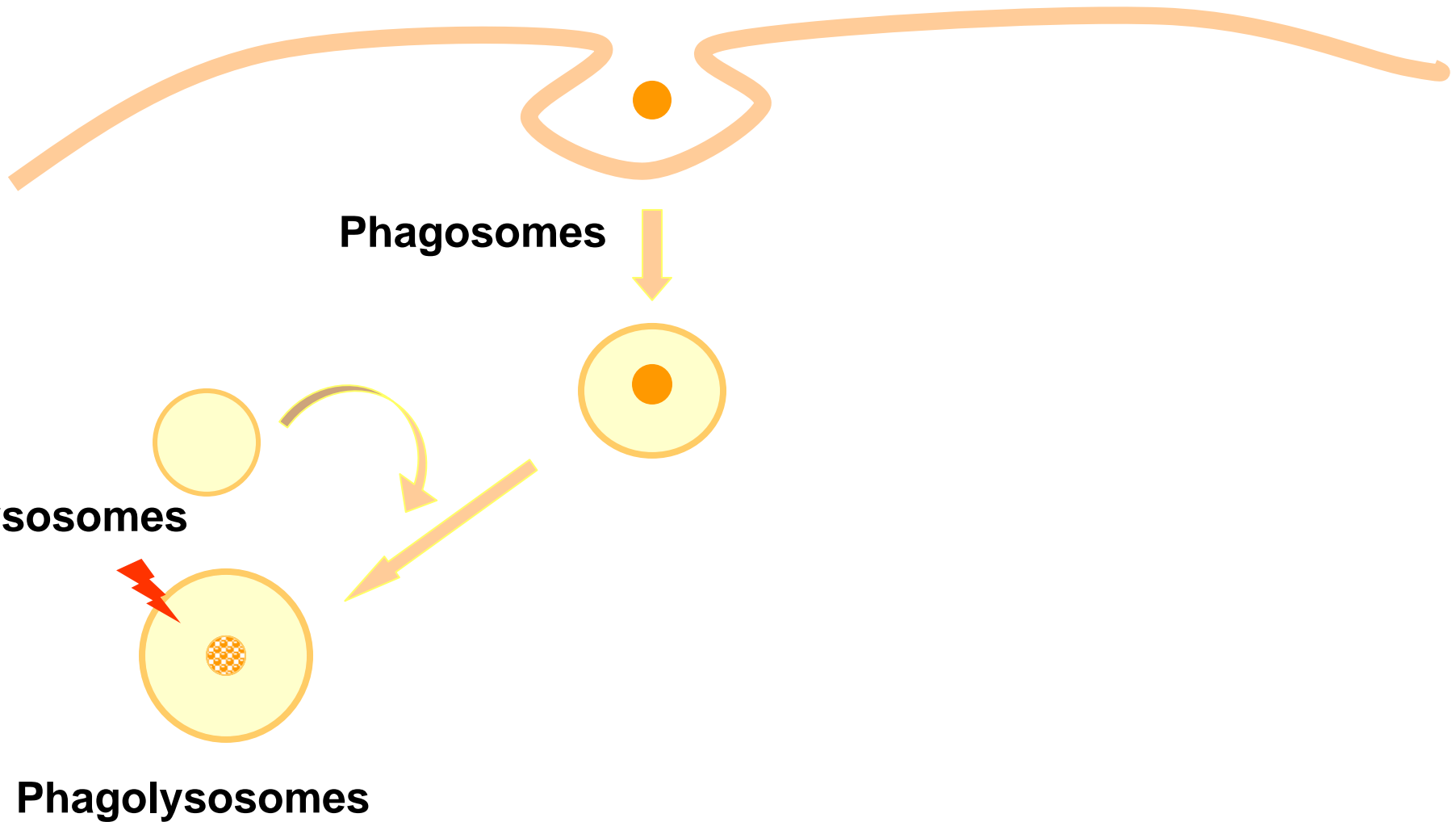
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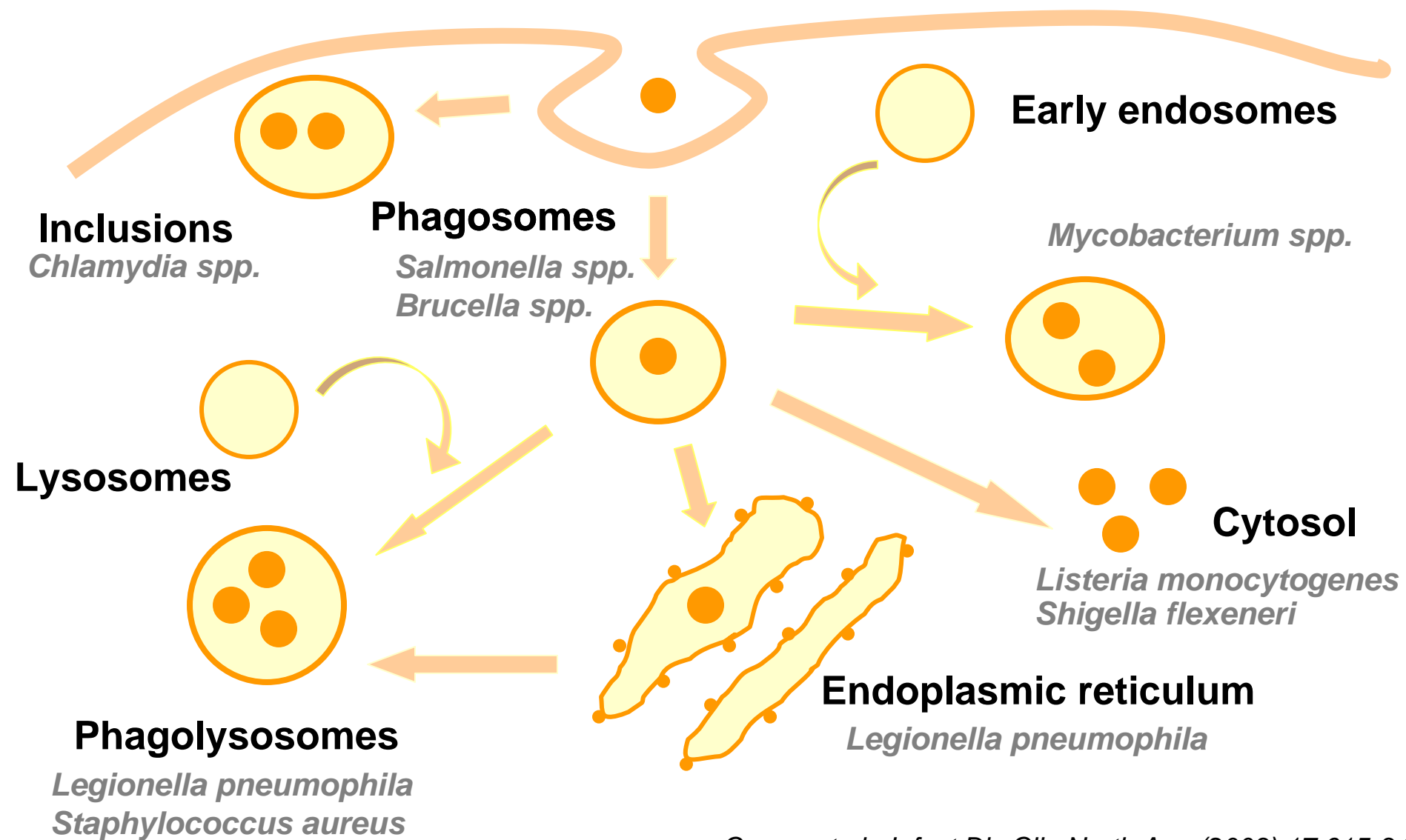
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Intracellular killing of bacteria by host cell defence mechanisms



Some bacteria can escape host cell defence mechanisms ...



Carryn et al., *Infect Dis Clin North Am.* (2003) 17:615-34

... that are difficult to treat !

Journal of Antimicrobial Chemotherapy (2004) 53, 167–173

Antibiotic-induced persistence of cytotoxic *Staphylococcus aureus* in non-phagocytic cells

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1: Postgrad Med J. 2000 Aug;76(898)

Pathophysiology of chronic bacterial osteomyelitis. Why do antibiotics fail so often?

Ciampolini J, Harding KG.

Wound Healing Research Unit, University of Wales College of Medicine, Cardiff, UK.

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Intracellular Persistence of *Staphylococcus aureus* Small-Colony Variants within Keratinocytes: A Cause for Antibiotic Treatment Failure in a Patient with Darier's Disease

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Journal of Antimicrobial Chemotherapy (2005) 55, 383–386

Intracellular persistence of *Escherichia coli* in urinary bladders from mecillinam-treated mice

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Int J Tuberc Lung Dis. 2004 Jan;8(1):31–8.

Development of acquired drug resistance in recurrent tuberculosis patients with various previous treatment outcomes.

Yoshiyama T, Yanai H, Rhiengtong D, Palittapongarnpim P, Nampaisan O, Supawitkul S, Uthairorawit W, Mori T.

Epidemiology Division, Research Institute of Tuberculosis, Kiyose, Tokyo, Japan.

Infection. 1992 Mar-Apr;20(2):99–100.

Fatal *Legionella pneumophila* pneumonia: treatment failure despite early sequential oral-parenteral amoxicillin-clavulanic acid therapy.

Hohl P, Buser U, Frei R.

Dept. of Medicine, University Hospital, Basel, Switzerland.

Electron microscopic evidence of persistent chlamydial infection following treatment

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Clinical Infectious Diseases

Development of Listerial Meningitis during Ciprofloxacin Treatment

Nicholas M. Grumbach, Eleftherios Mylonakis, and Edward J. Wing

Dilemma to select the appropriate antibiotic ...



highest cellular accumulation ?
best diffusibility ?
prolonged cellular retention ?
no cell toxicity ?
lowest MIC ?
cooperation with oxydative burst ?
cooperation with cytokines ?
other ?

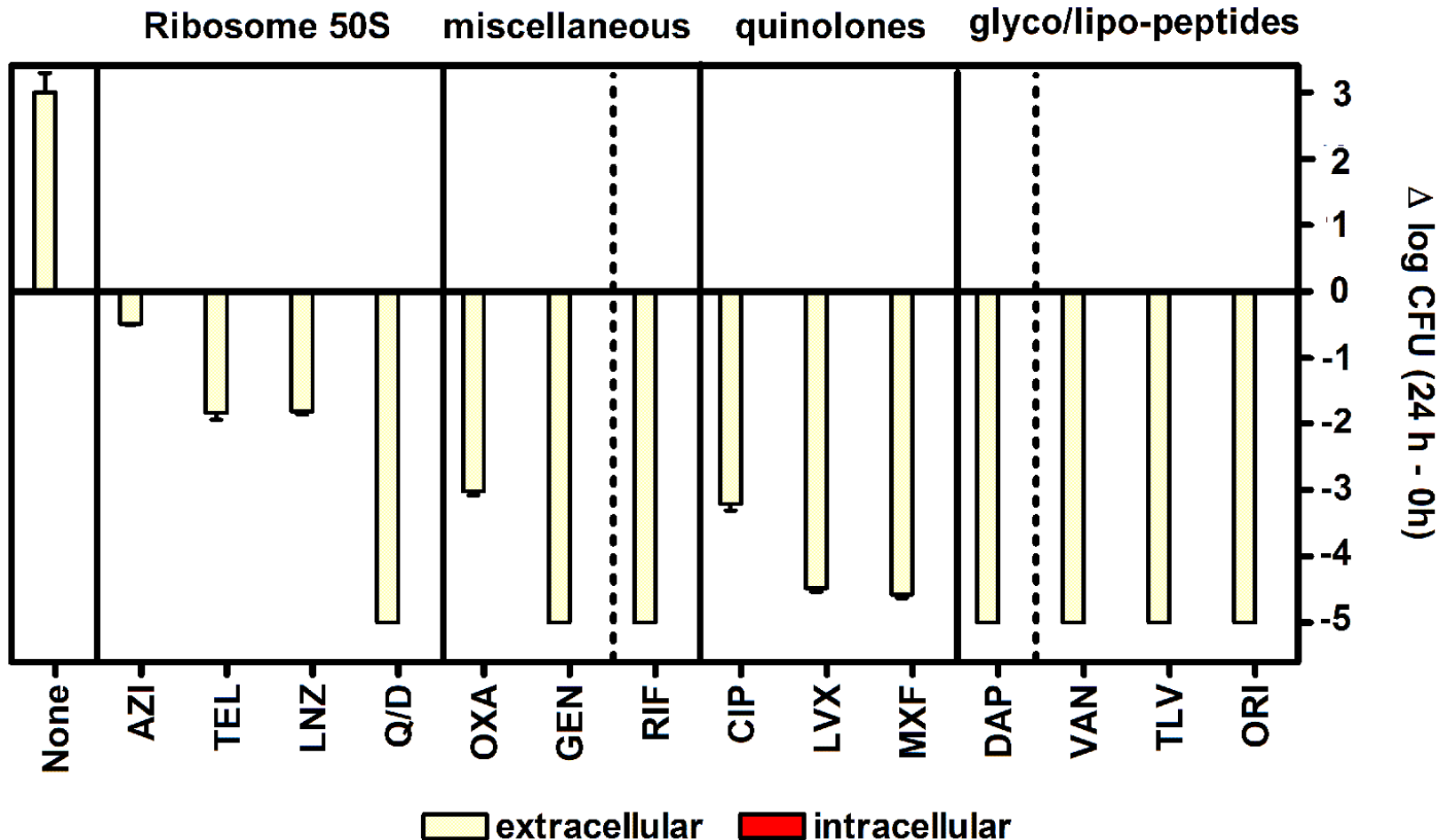


Let's start by a global view of the situation



Extracellular vs intracellular activity against *S.aureus* at Cmax

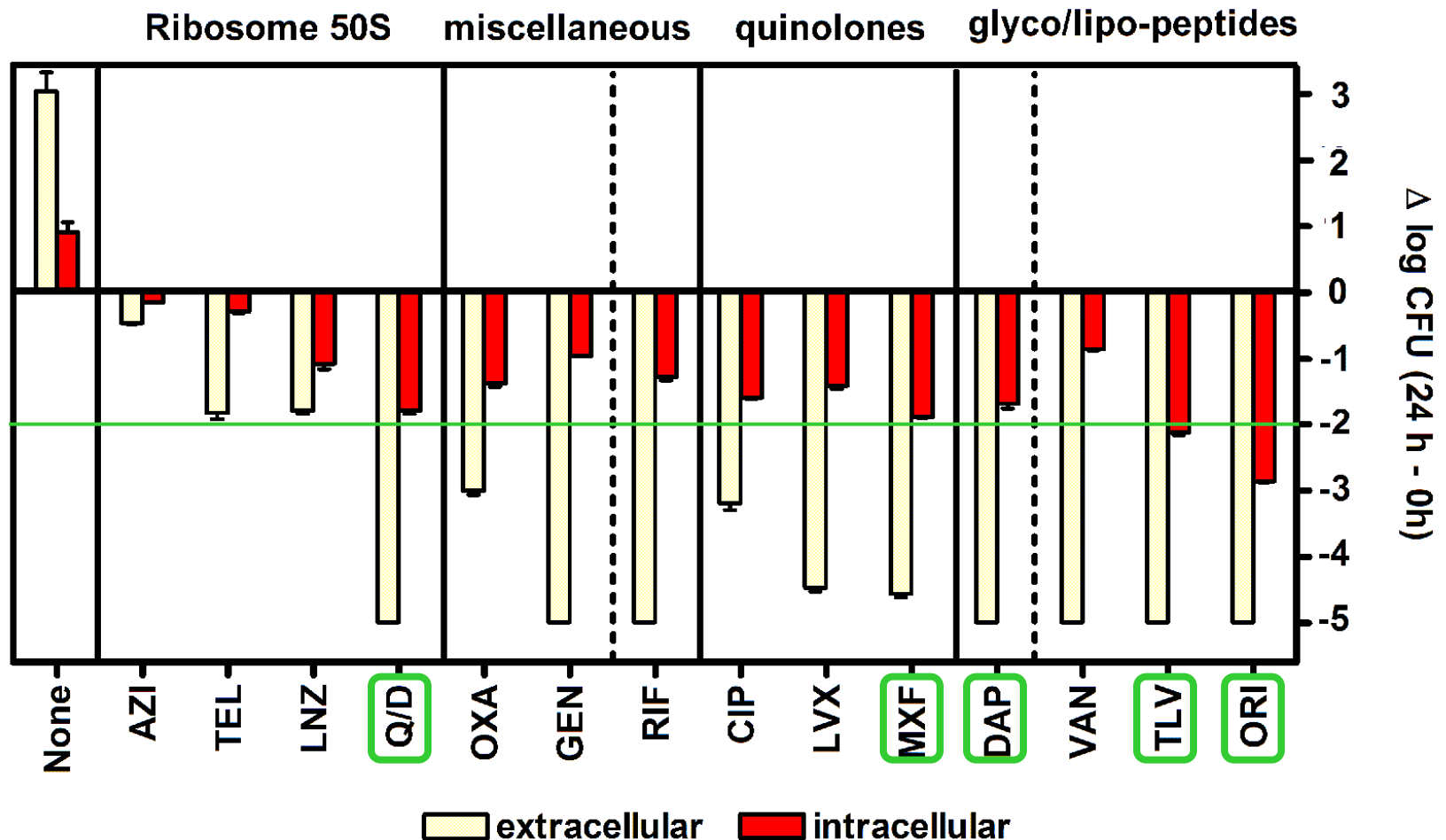
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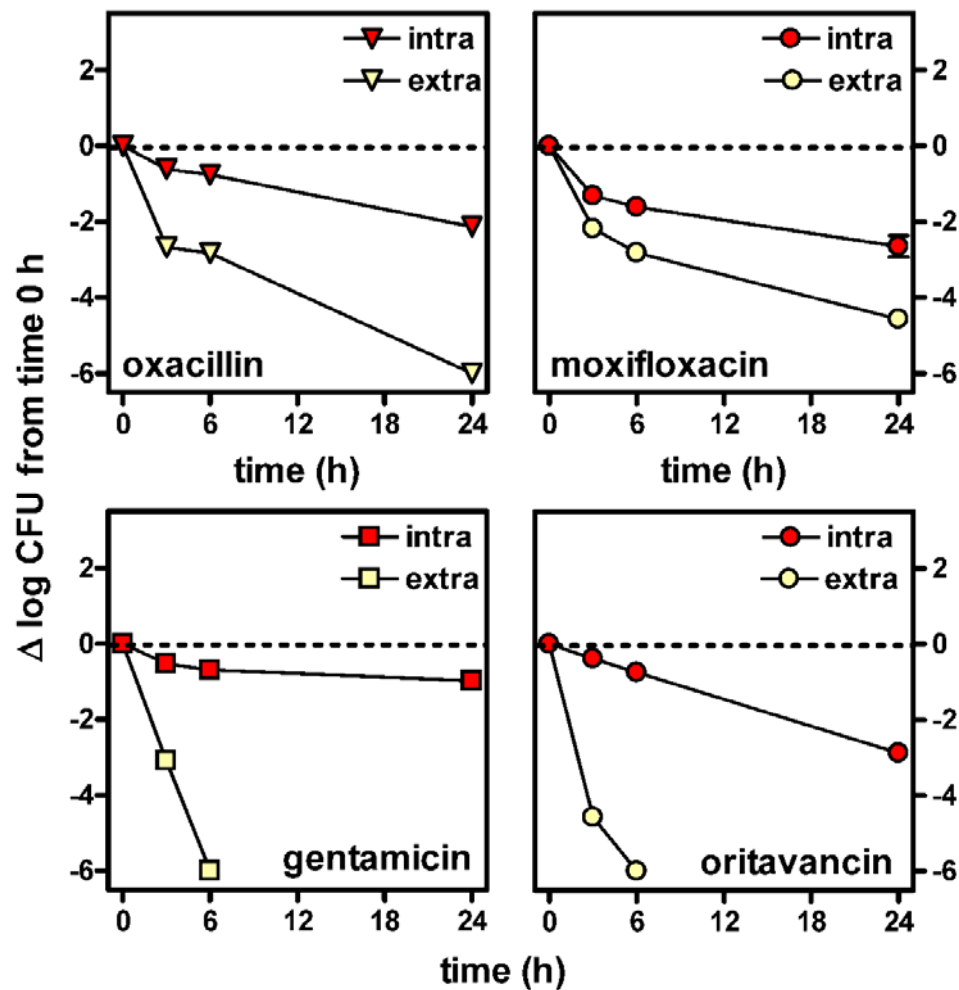
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Pharmacodynamic relationships: time-effects against *S.aureus* at Cmax

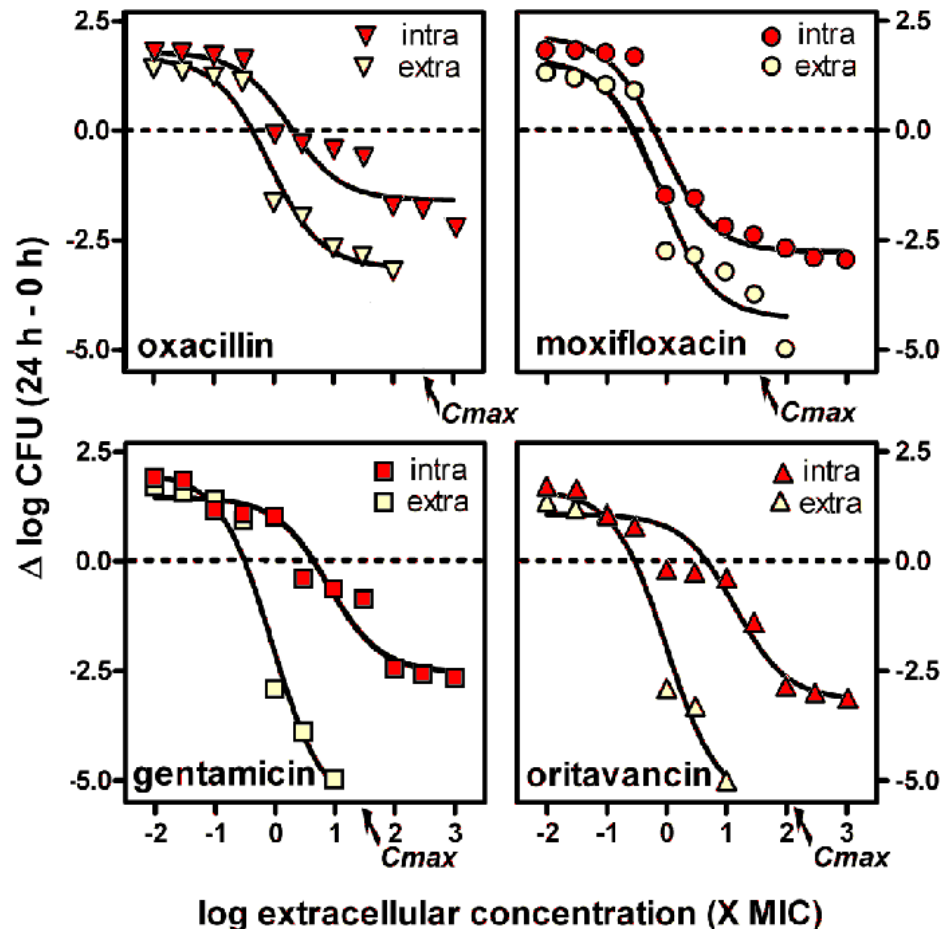
Slower killing rate intracellularly



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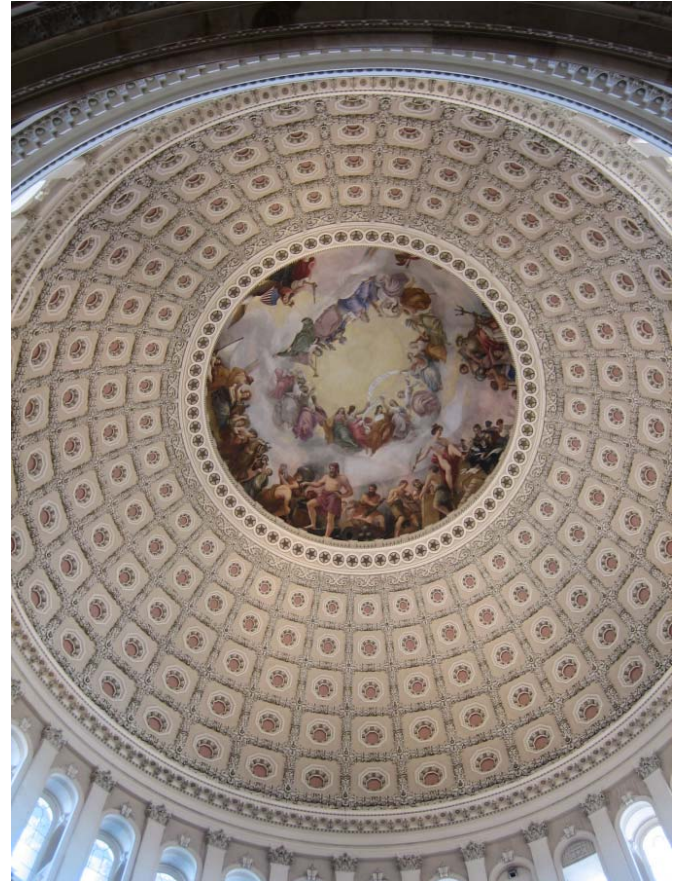
Pharmacodynamic relationships: concentration-effects against *S.aureus* at 24 h

Concentration-dependent killing; lower Emax intracellularly



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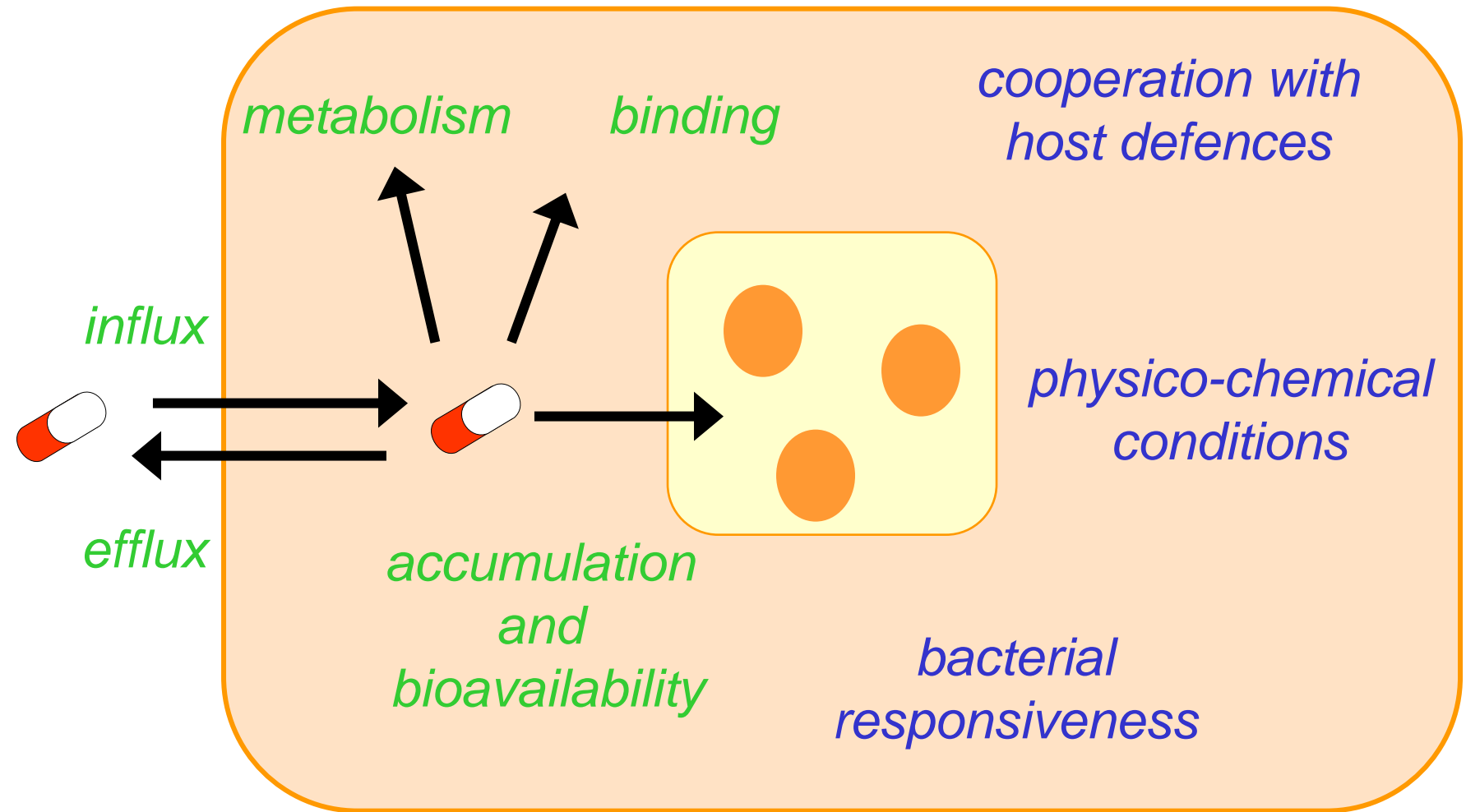
From extracellular to intracellular :



can we apply the same PK/PD concepts ?

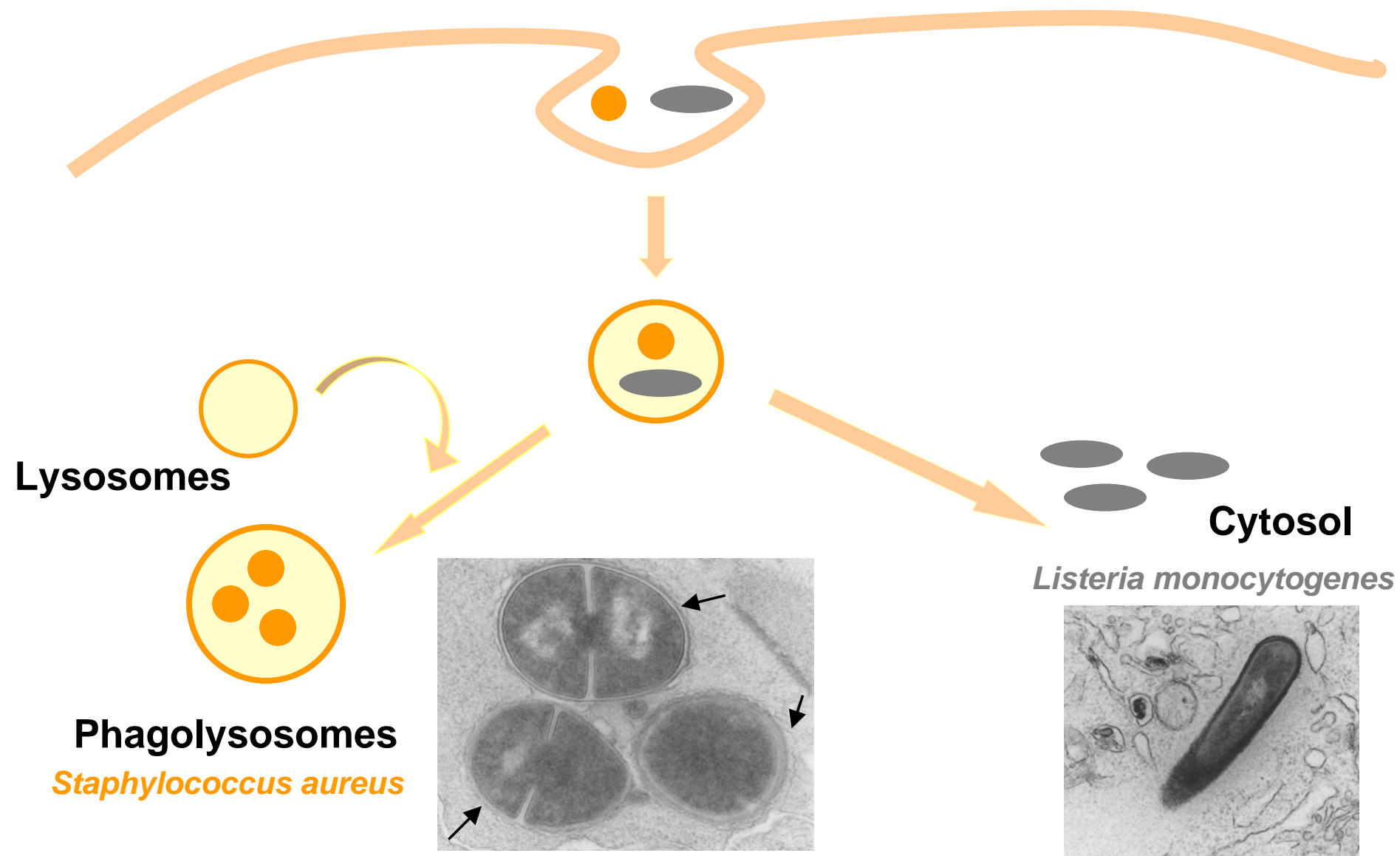
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In vitro models for intracellular PK/PD studies

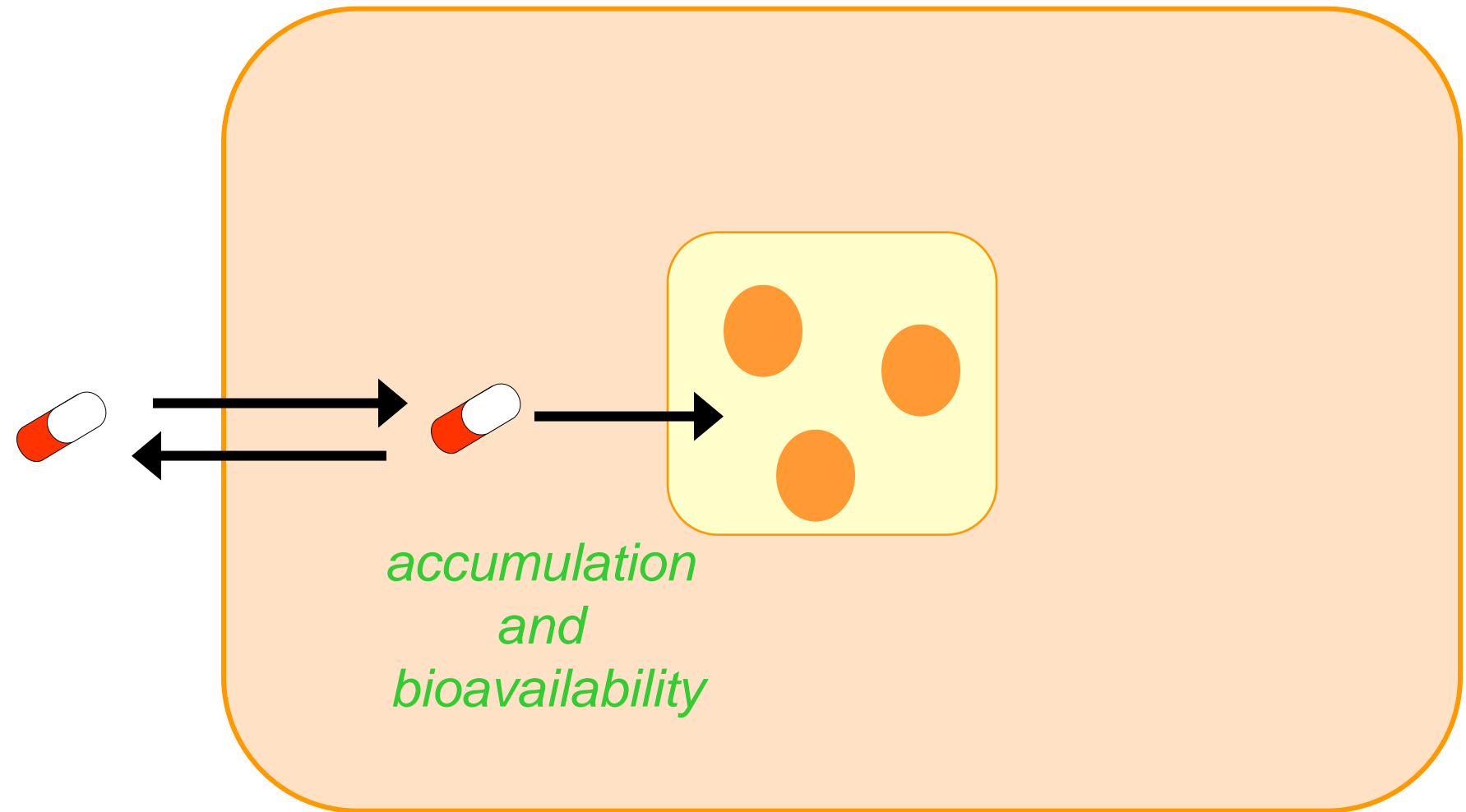


Do you like pharmacokinetics ?



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Antibiotic accumulation and subcellular distribution

β -lactams; fast; ~ 1 x

fluoroquinolones : fast

CIP, LVX : 4-10 x

MXF, GAR, GMF : 10-20 x

aminoglycosides: slow ; 2-4 x

glycopeptides: slow

VAN ~ 8 x

TLV ~ 50 x

ORI ~ 150-300 x

macrolides: fast

ERY: 4-10 x

CLR, ROX, TEL: 10-50x

AZM: > 50 x

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linezolid: ~ 1 x

Lincosamides: 1-4 x

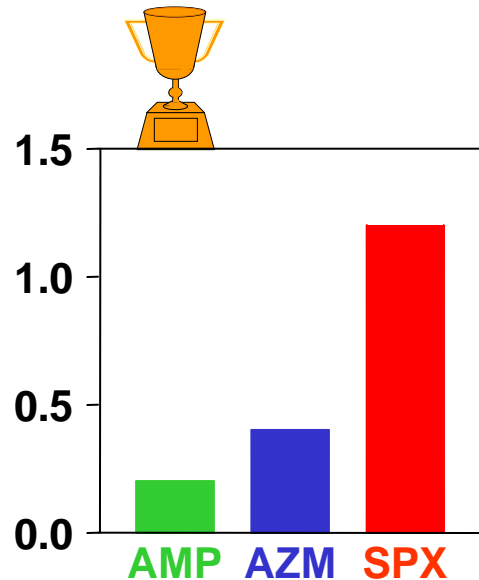
Tetracyclines: 2-4 x

Rifampin : 2-10 x

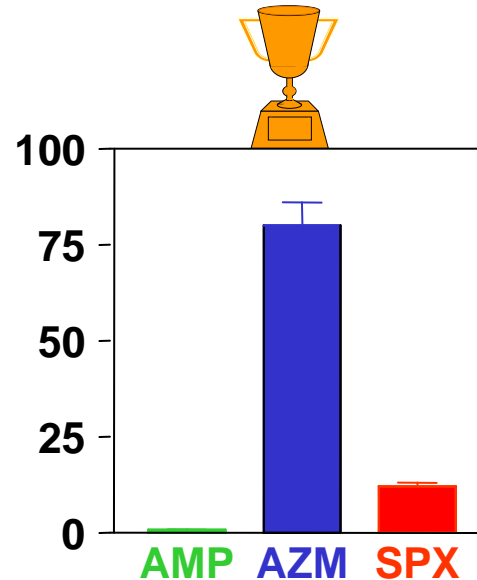
Can we simply predict intracellular activity based on MIC and antibiotic accumulation?

MIC

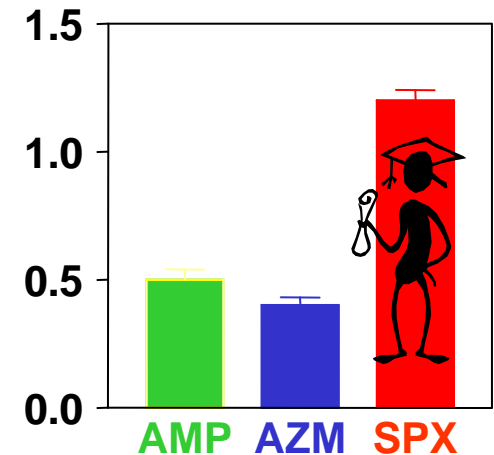
(*L. monocytogenes*)



antibiotic accumulation



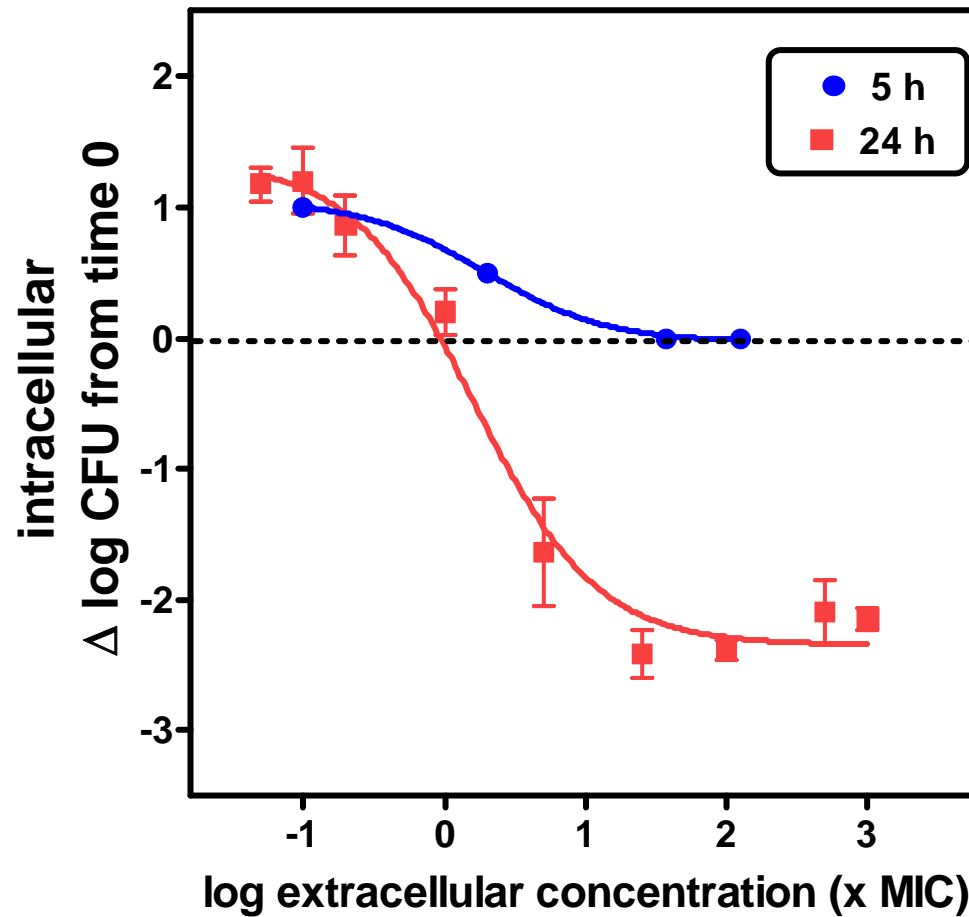
activity on intracellular *Listeria* (5 h; 10 x MIC)



Quadri et al (1999) AAC 43:1242-51

Importance of optimizing time and concentration ...

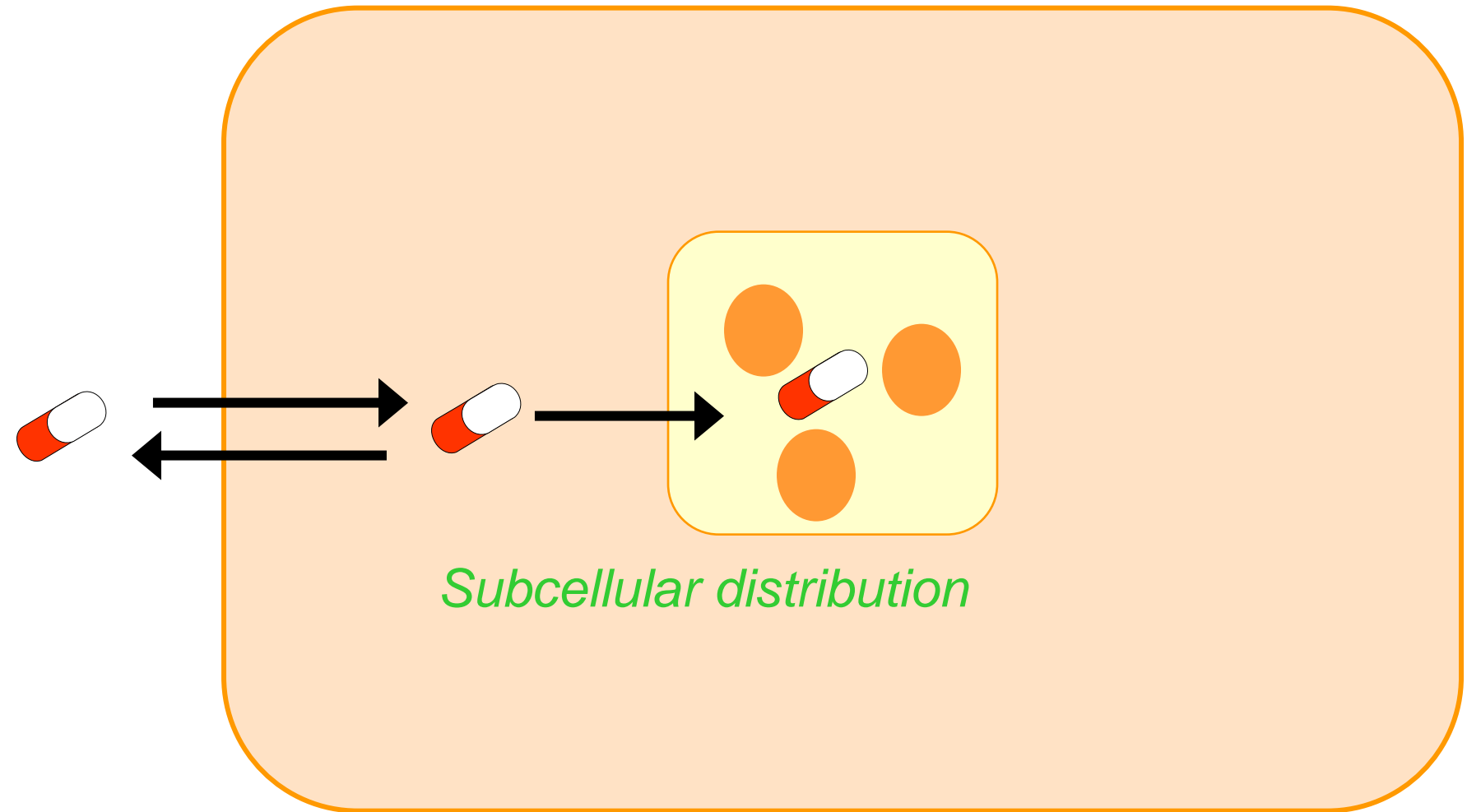
ampicillin against *Listeria monocytogenes*



adapted from Lemaire et al., JAC (2005) 55:897-904

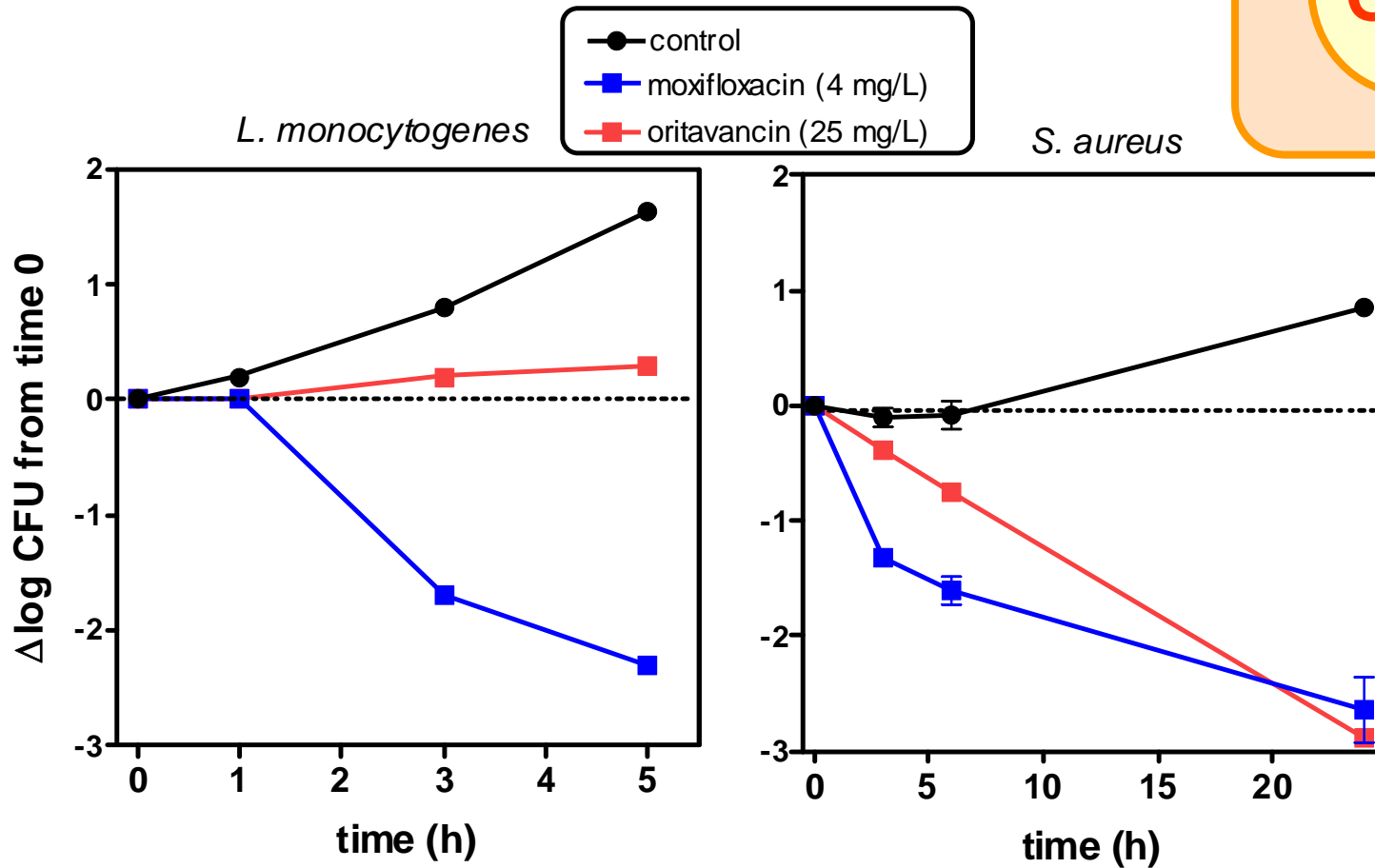
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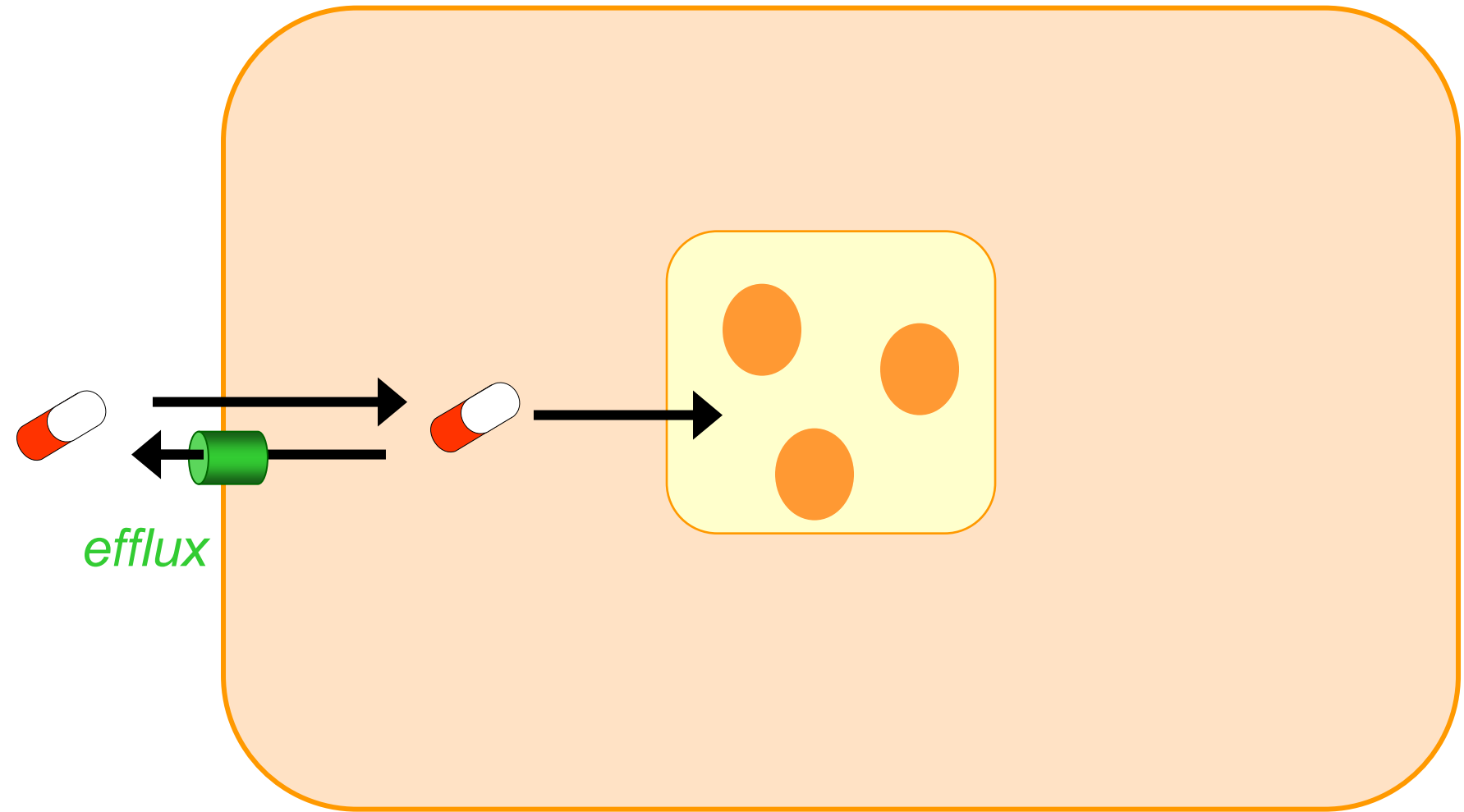
Importance of reaching intracellular bacteria ...



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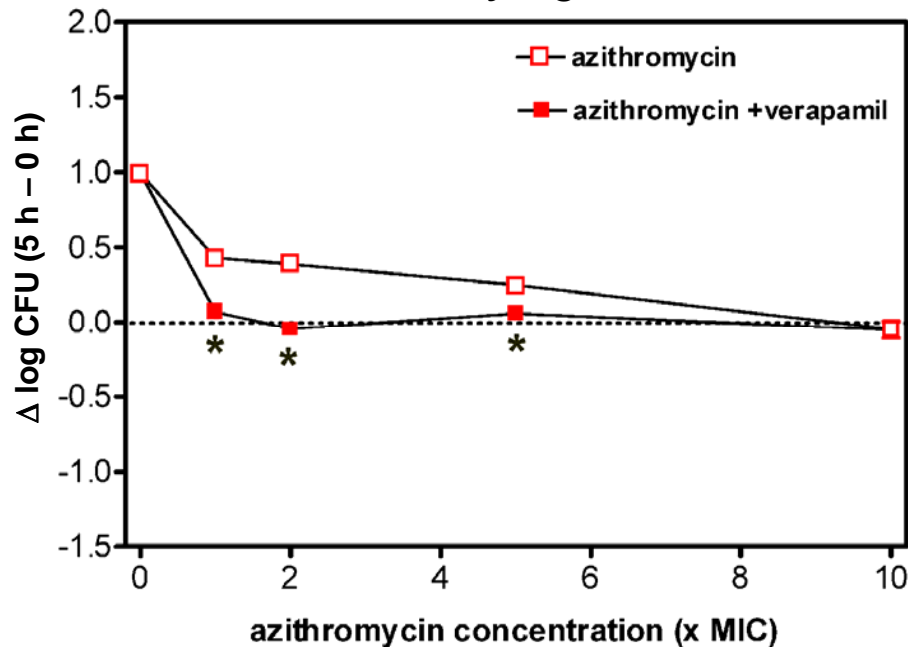


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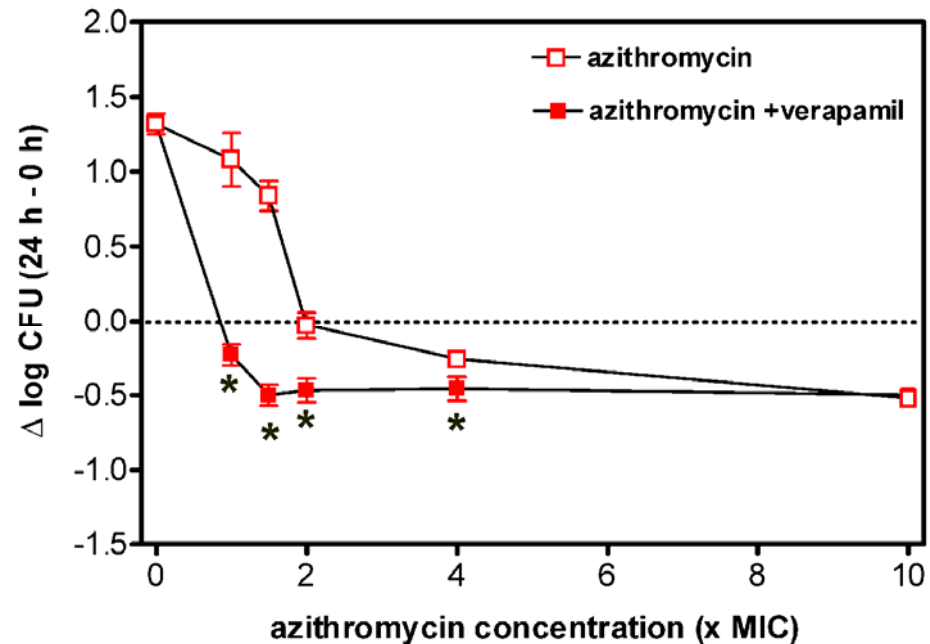
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Inhibition of P-gp by verapamil enhances azithromycin activity against *L. monocytogenes* and *S. aureus*

L. monocytogenes



S. aureus

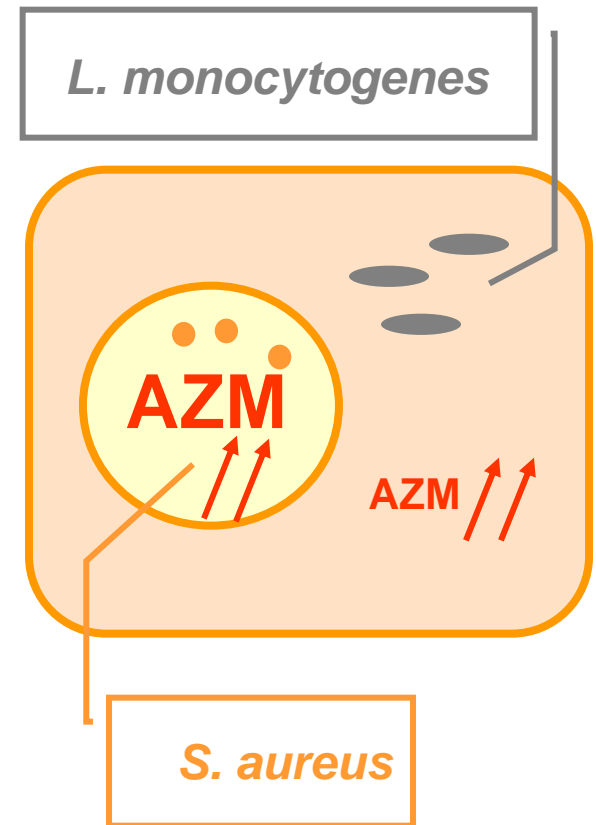
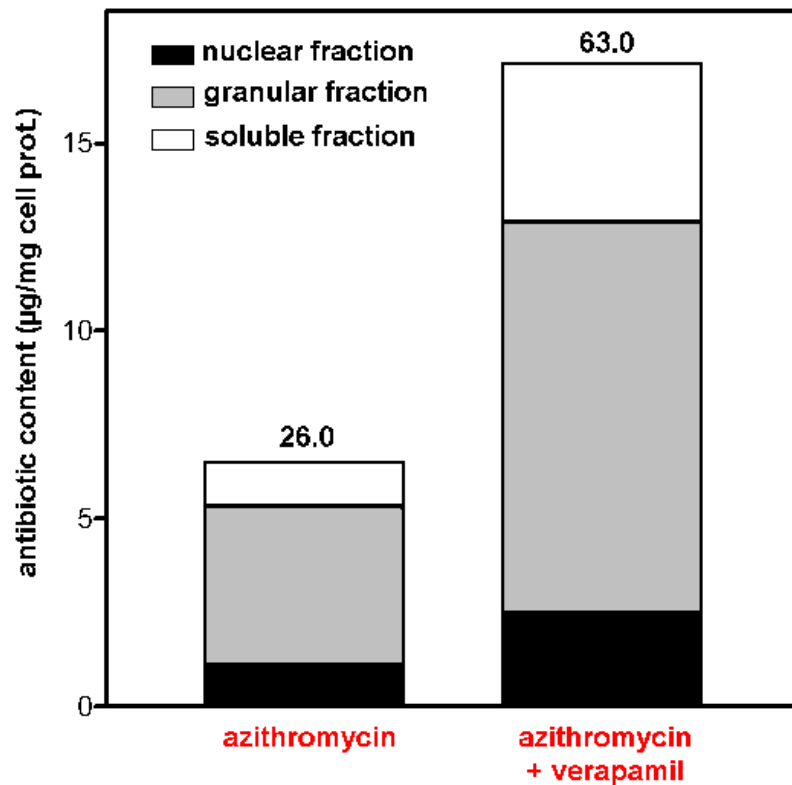


verapamil 20 μM ; 24 h

Seral et al., JAC (2003) 51:1167-73

Influence of pump inhibitors on antibiotic distribution

Inhibition of P-gp by verapamil enhances azithromycin concentration in cytosol and vacuoles

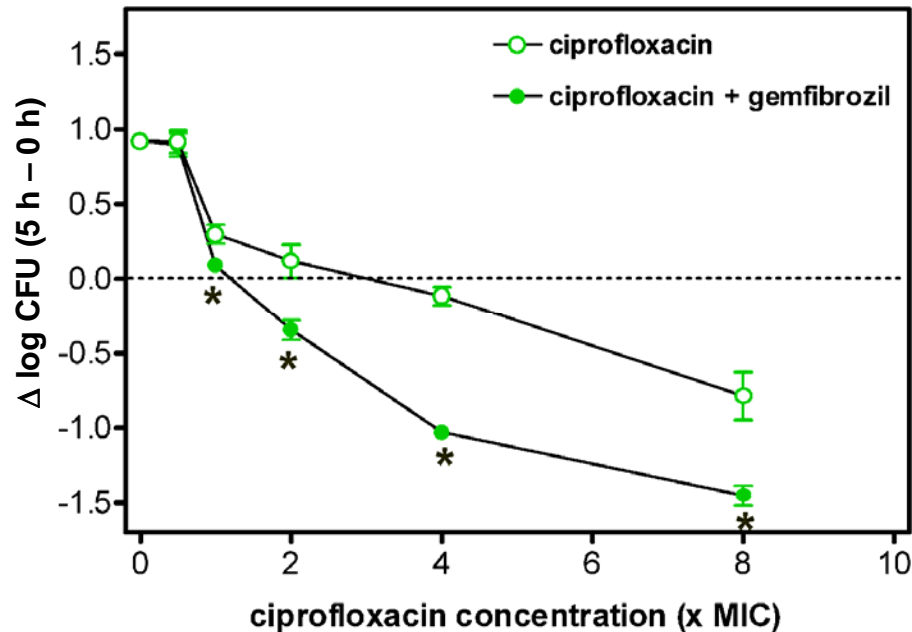


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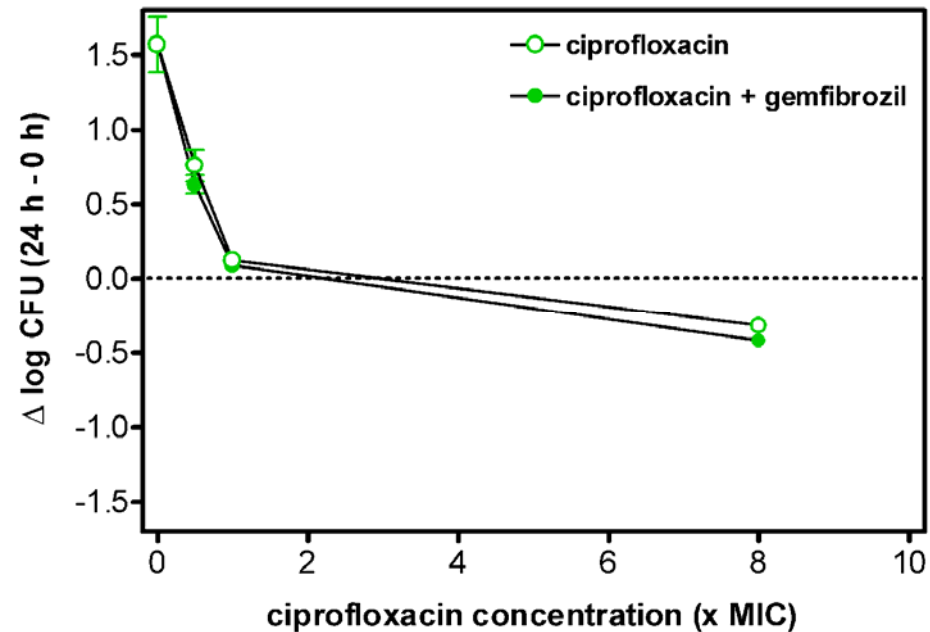
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L. monocytogenes



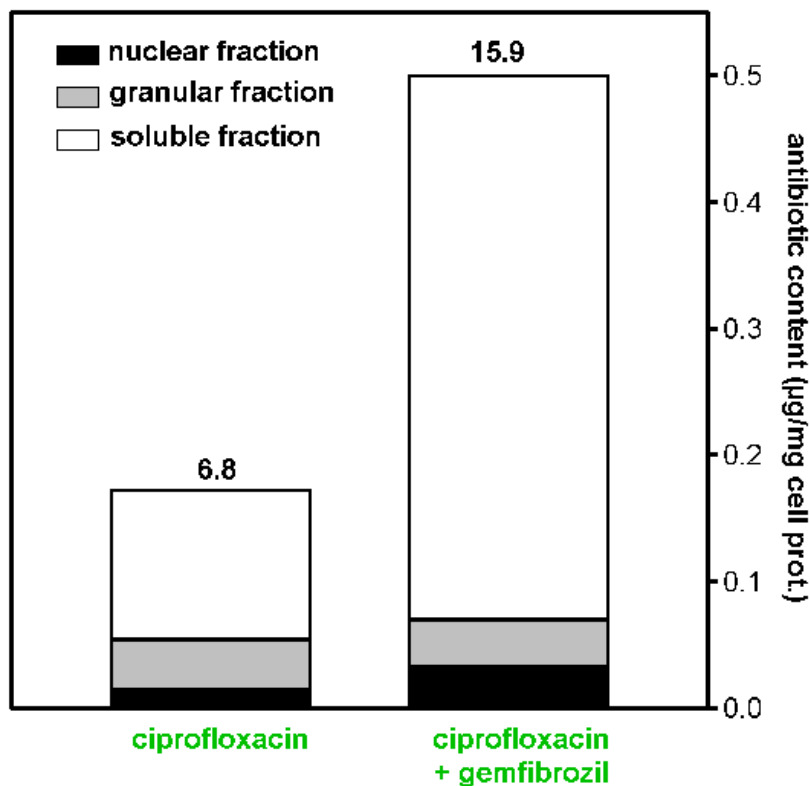
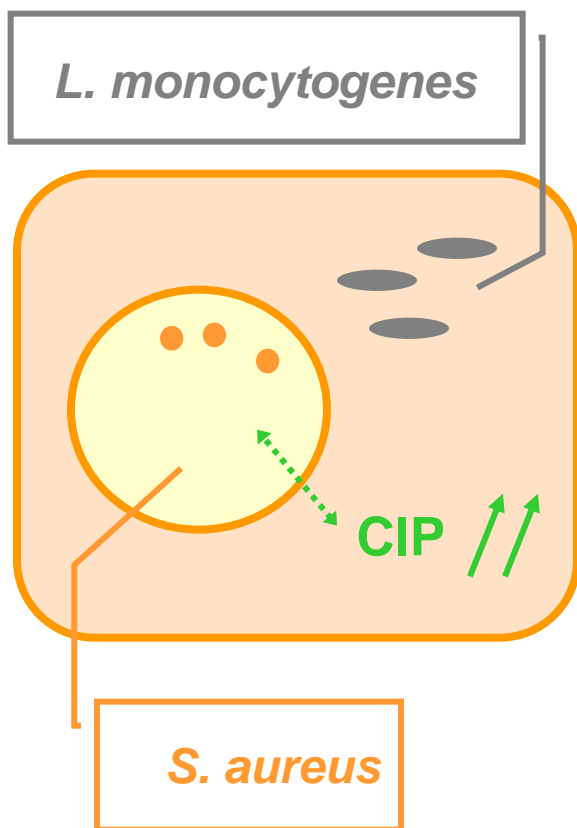
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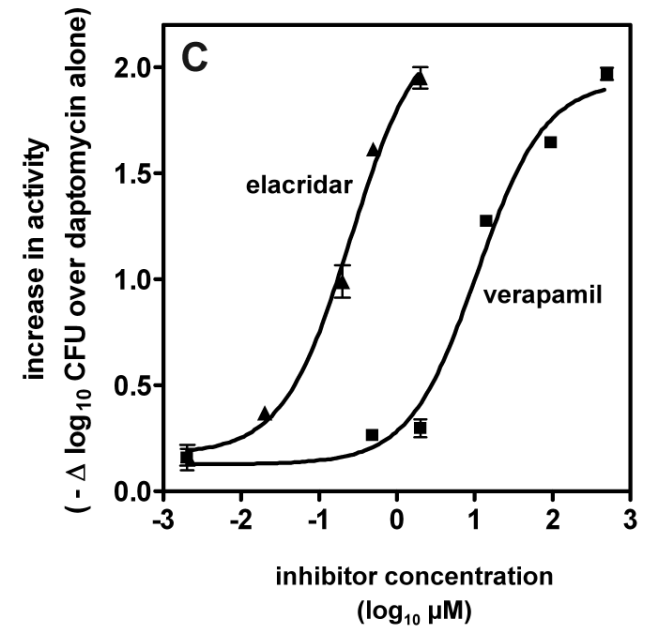
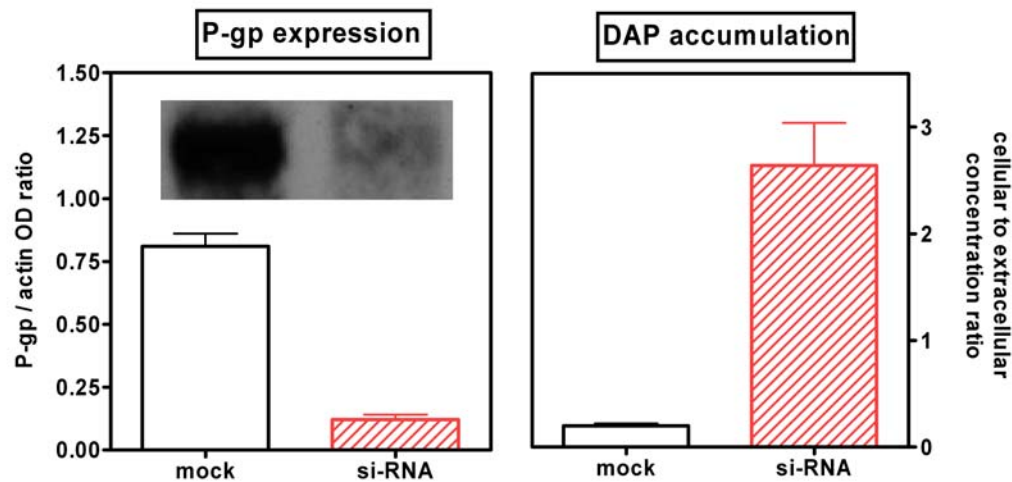
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Daptomycin, an unexpected substrate for P-gp

The cellular accumulation and intracellular activity of daptomycin are increased upon inhibition or under-expression of P-gp

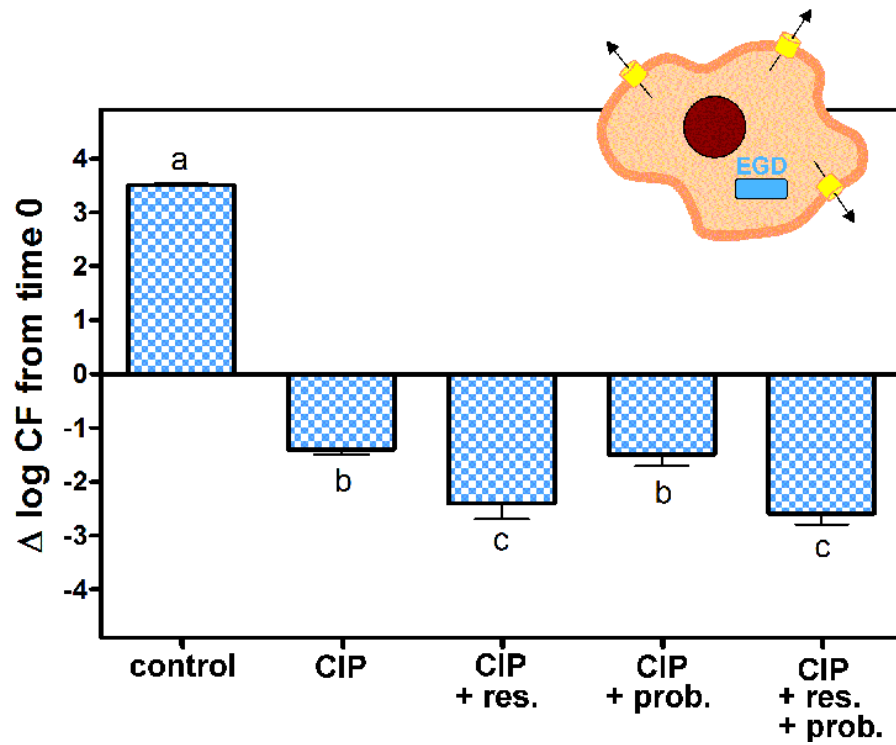


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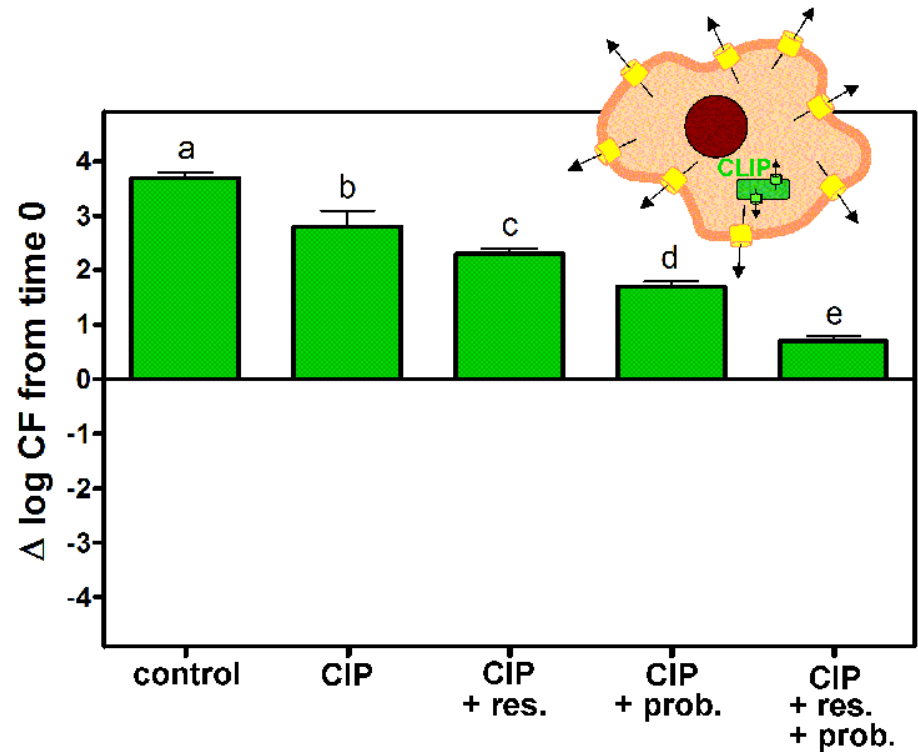
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Ciprofloxacin and *Listeria*

Wild-type cells and bacteria



cells and bacteria overproducing efflux pumps for ciprofloxacin

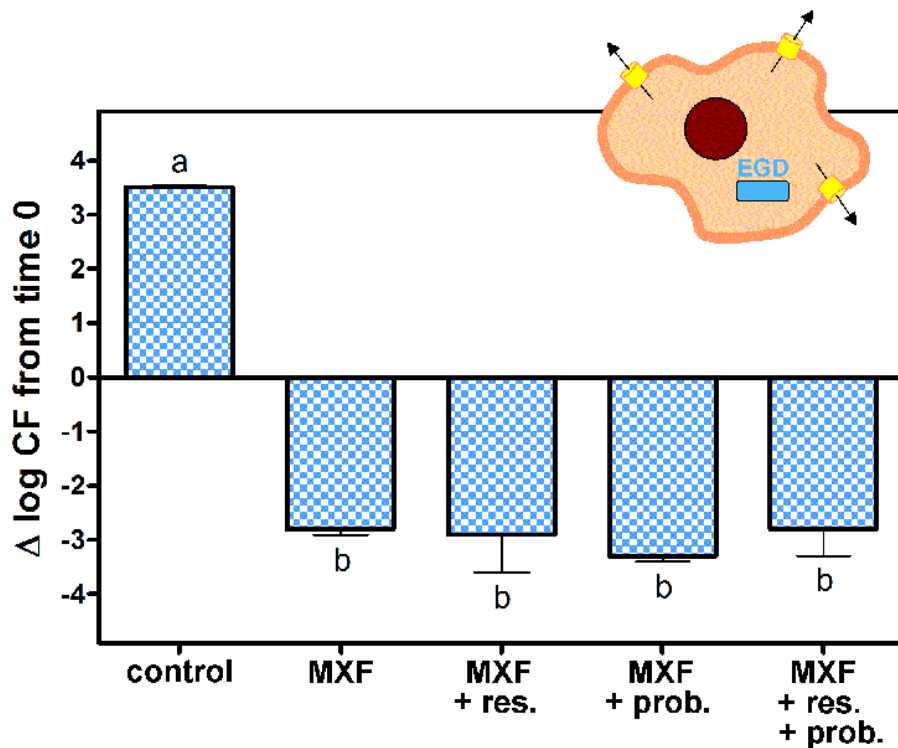


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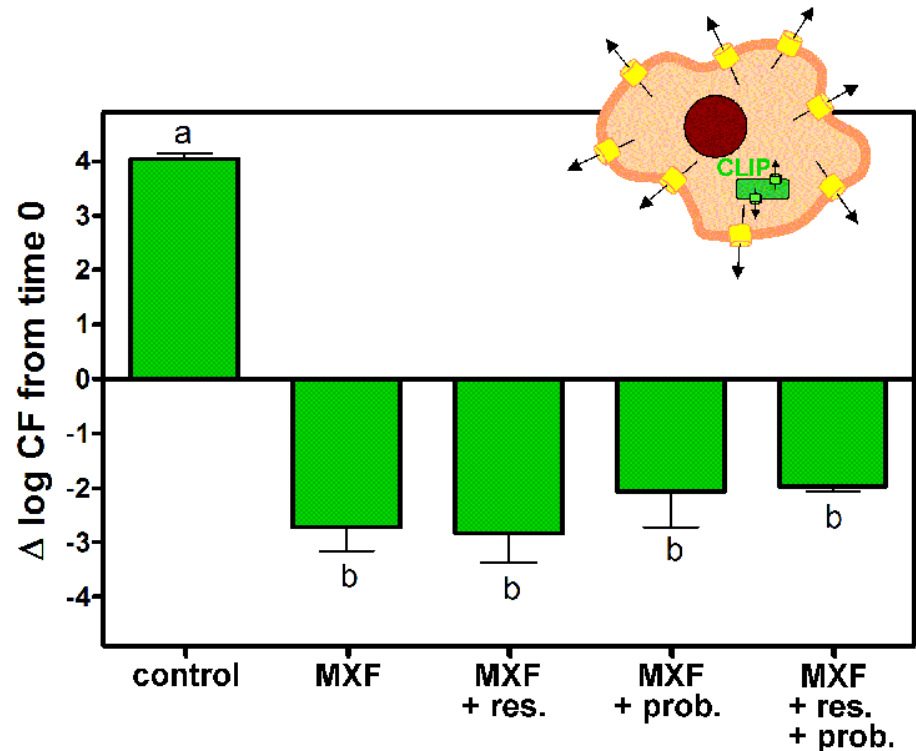
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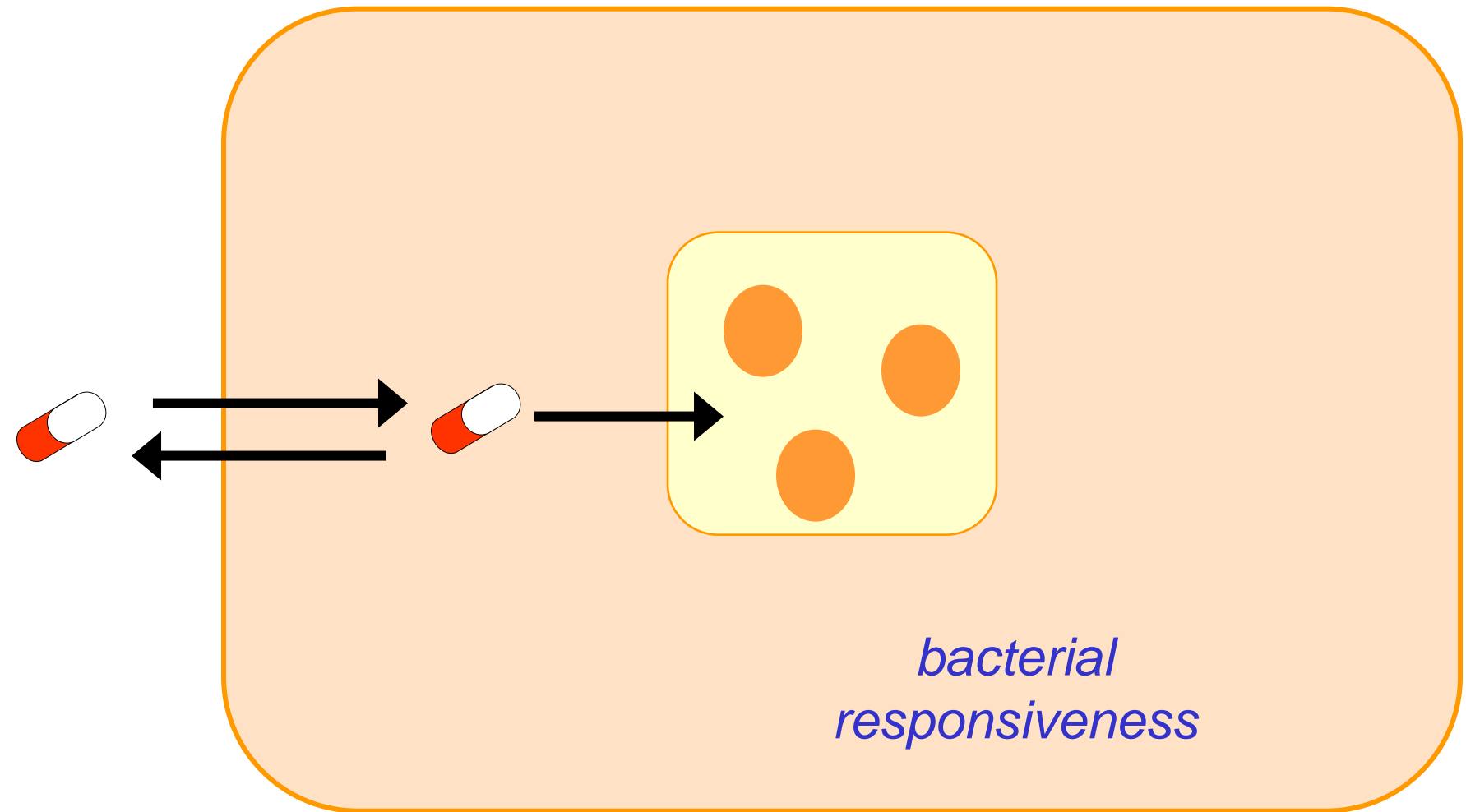
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Do you prefer pharmacodynamics ?



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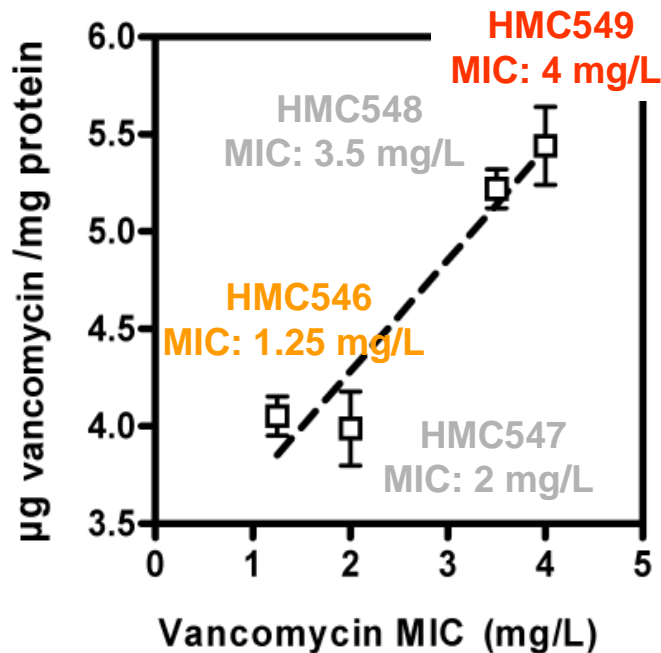
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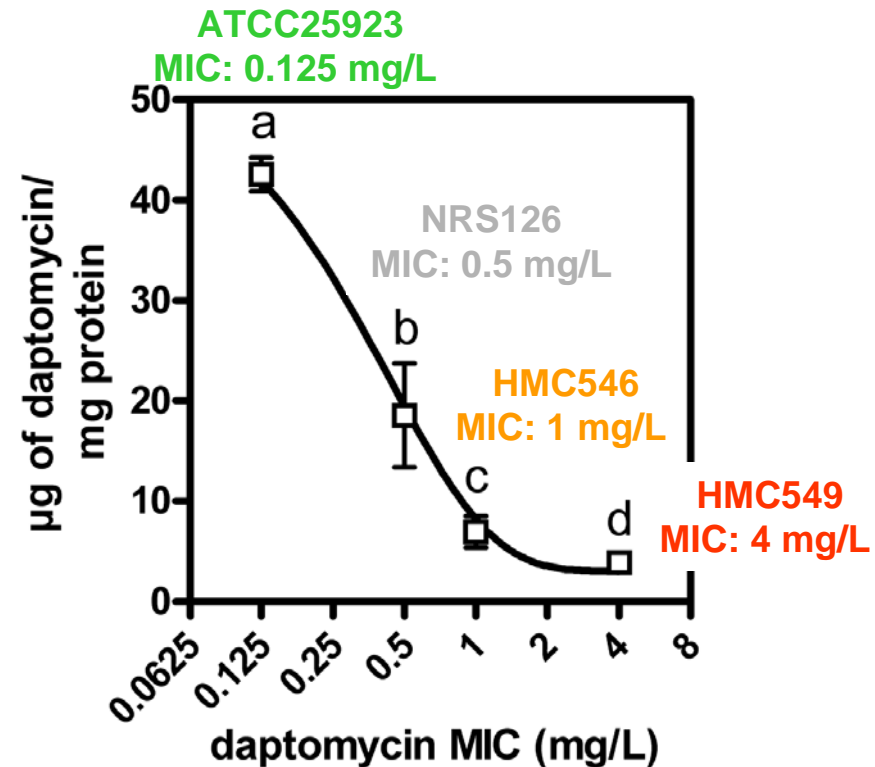
Julian et al. AAC (2007) 51:3445-8.

Reduced susceptibility associated with

increased amount
of bound vancomycin

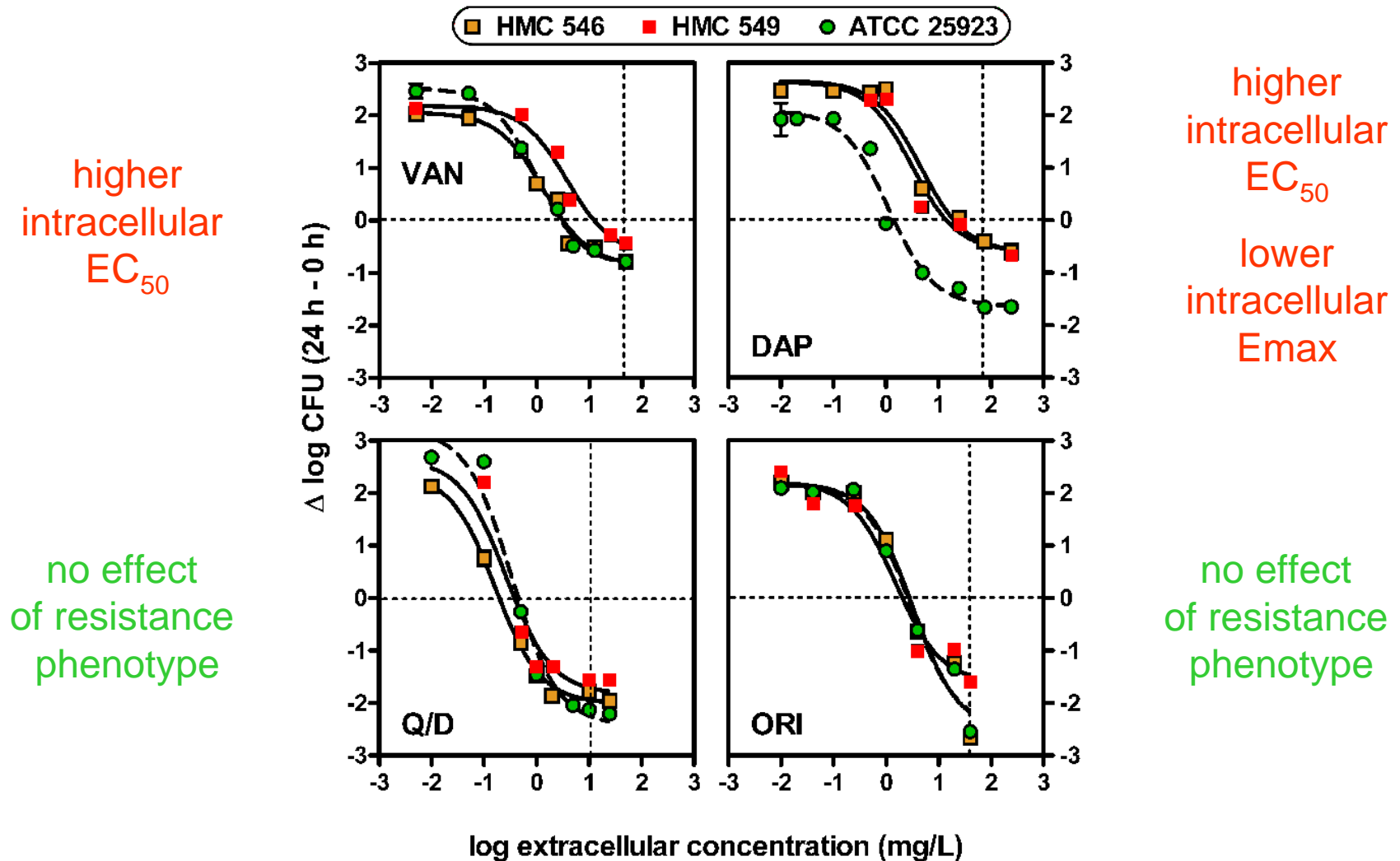


decreased amount
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Lemaire et al., CMI (2008) 14:766-77

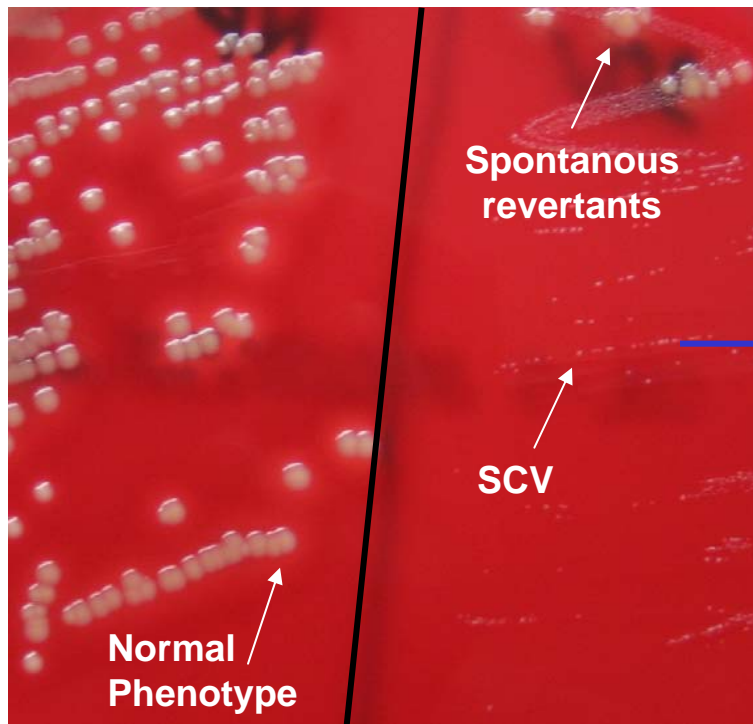
Intracellular activity against VISA and DAP-resistant strains isolated from a patient with endocarditis



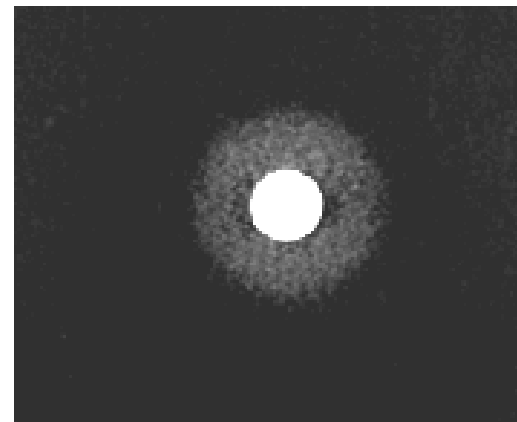
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SCV isolated from a cystic fibrosis patient

Vergison et al. JAC (2007) 59:893-9

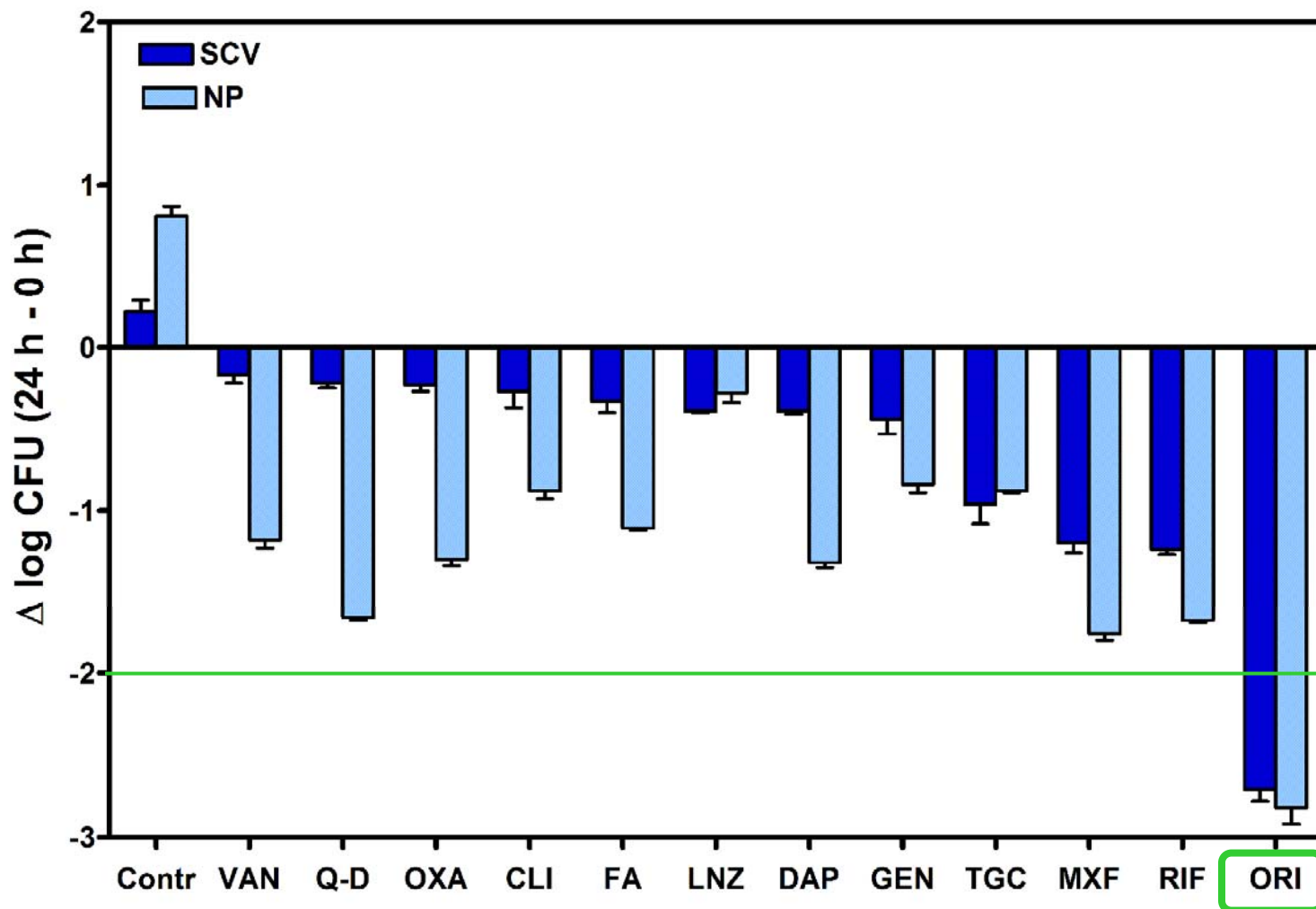


Thymidine dependent



Intracellular activity, SCV vs. normal phenotype

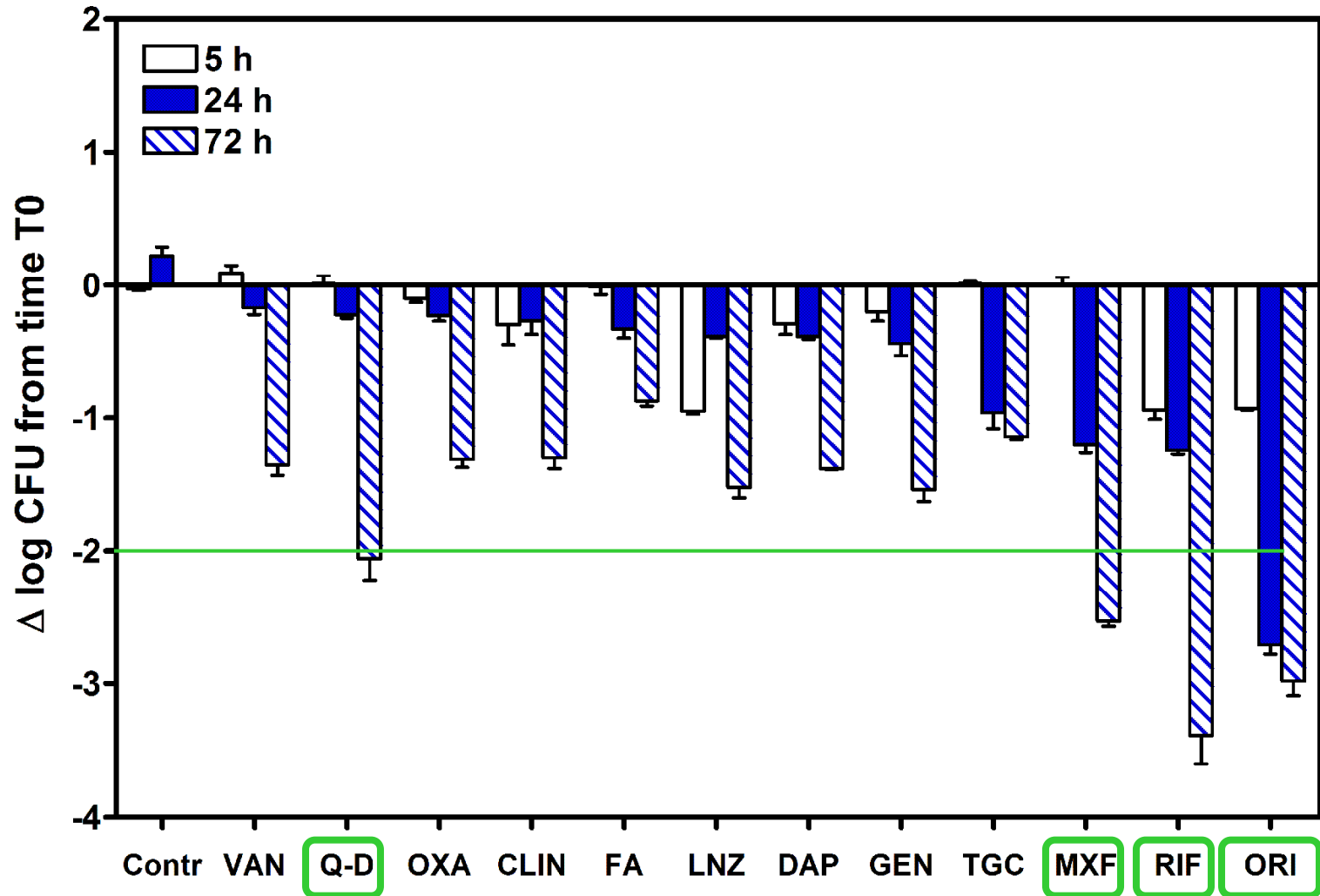
THP-1; 24 h, antibiotics at C_{max}



Nguyen et al, RICA 2007, poster 325

Intracellular activity, SCV over time

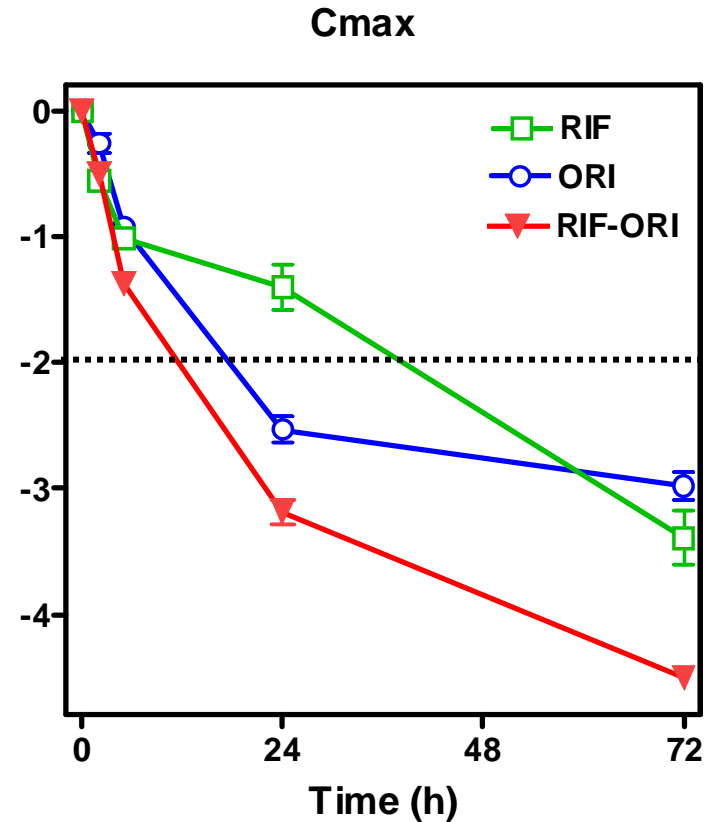
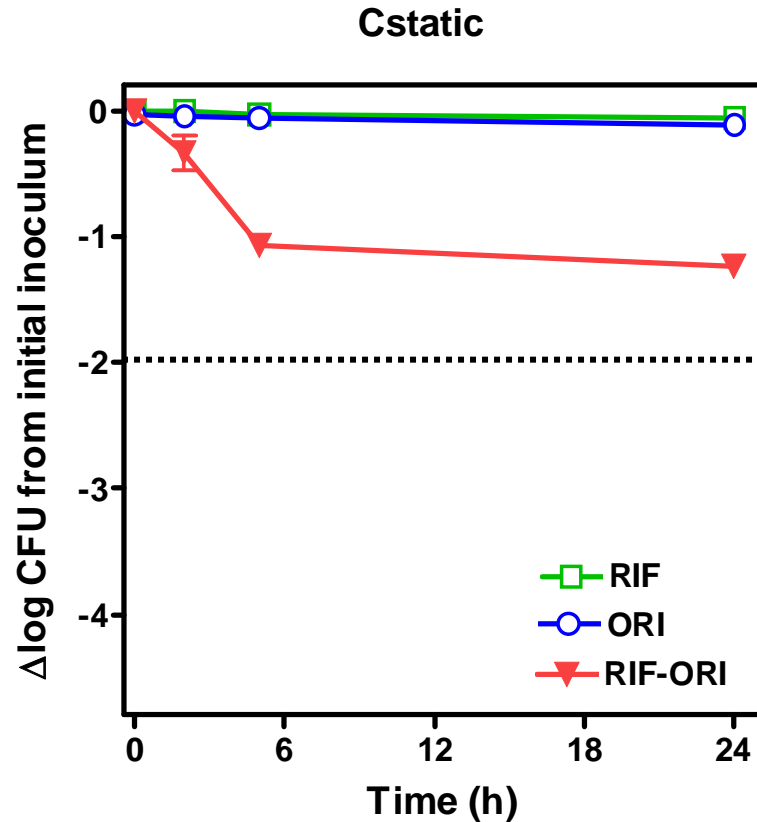
THP-1; SCV, antibiotics at Cmax for up to 3 days



Nguyen et al., ICAAC 2007, poster A1437

Can we do better with combinations ?

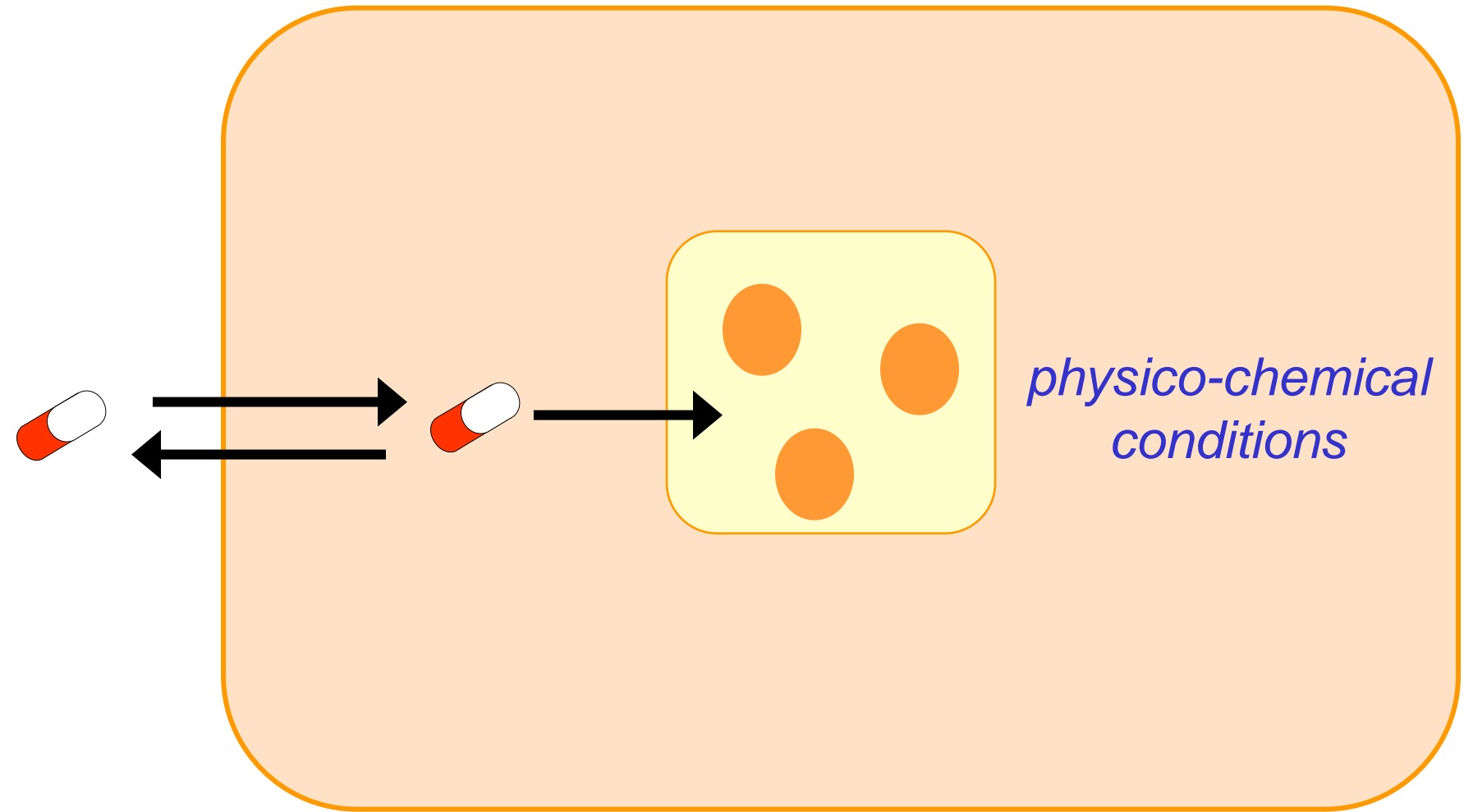
THP-1; SCV, antibiotics at Cstatic for up to 24 h or at Cmax for up to 3 days



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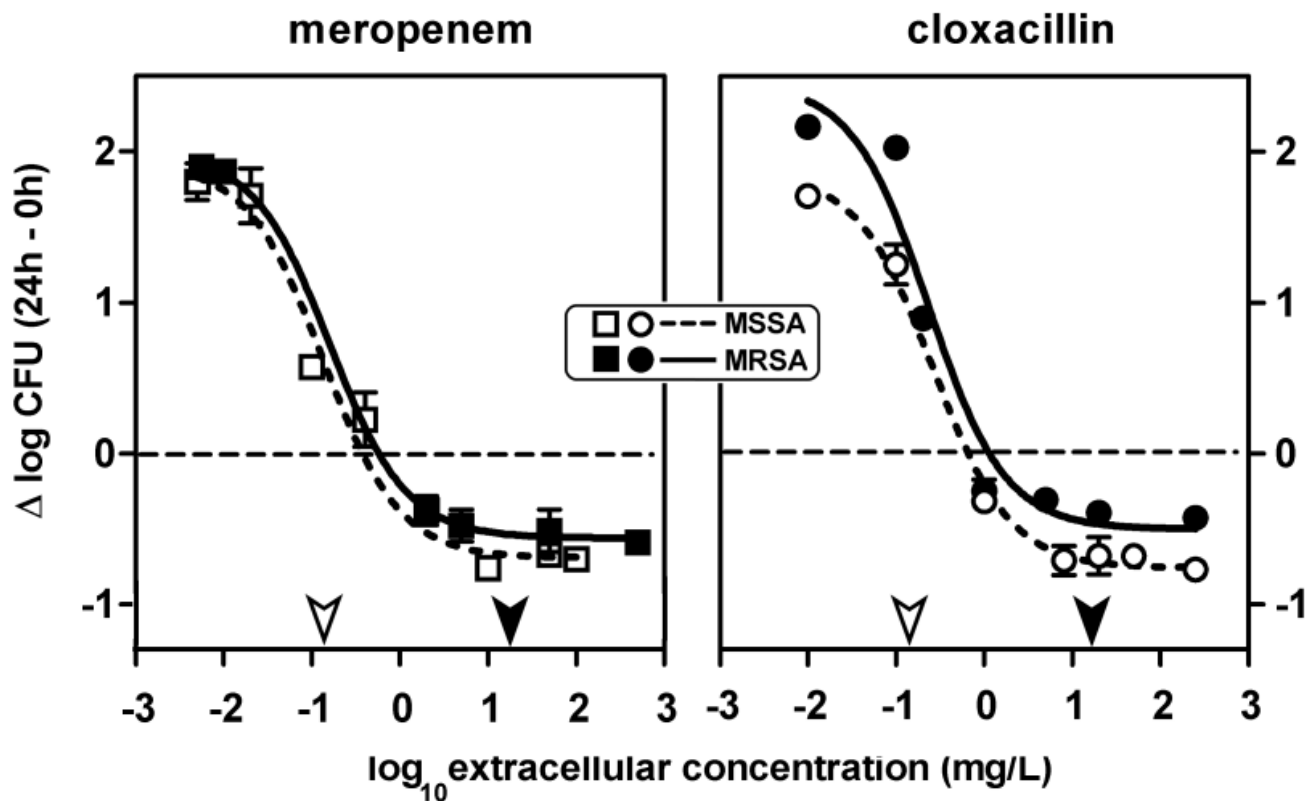
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MRSA vs. MSSA: intracellular activity of β -lactams

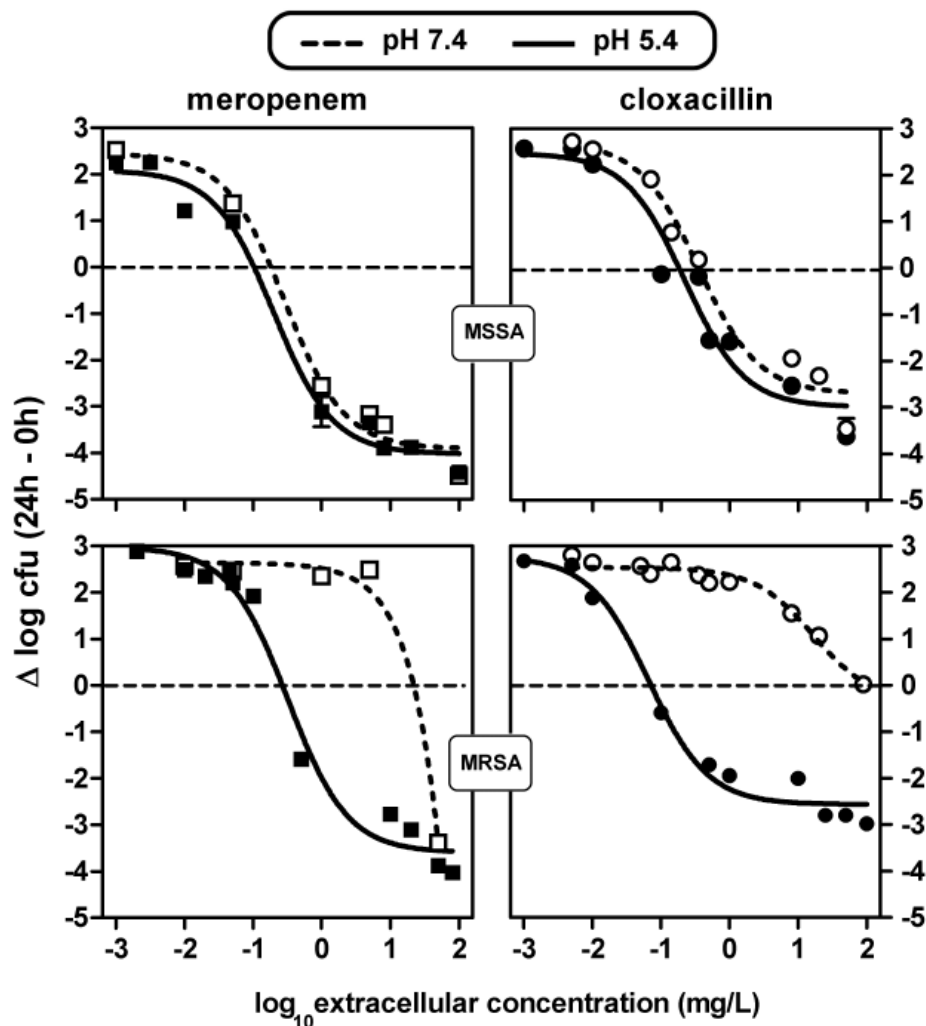
MRSA are as susceptible as MSSA to β -lactams when intracellular !



Lemaire et al., AAC (2007) 51:1627-32

MRSA vs. MSSA: extracellular activity of β -lactams

MRSA are as susceptible as MSSA in broth at acidic pH

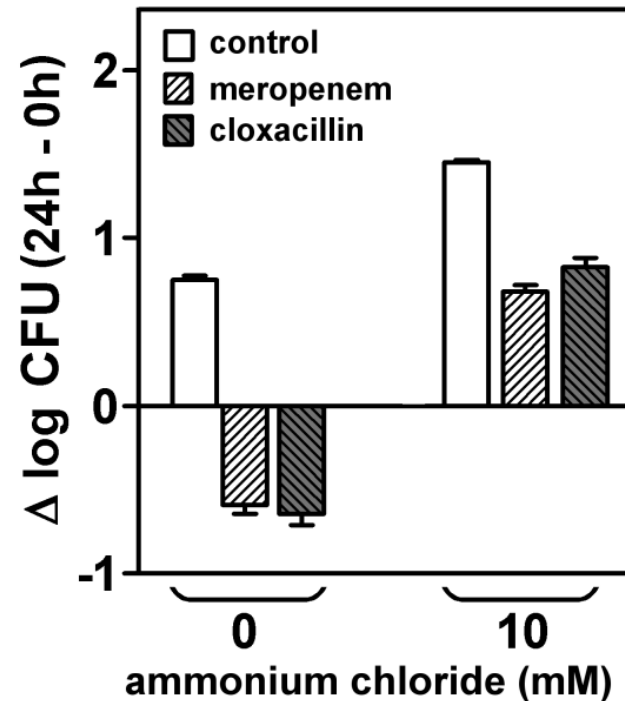
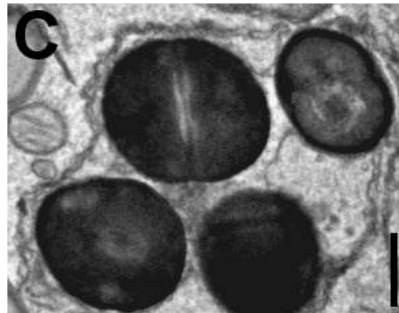
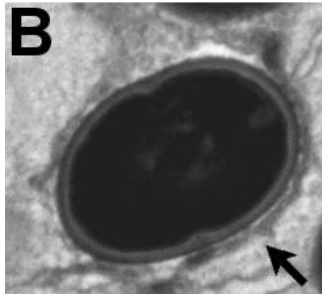


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MRSA vs. MSSA: extracellular activity of β -lactams

Neutralization of lysosomes makes
intracellular MRSA resistant to β -lactams !

MRSA are inside
[acidic] vacuoles



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PBP2a conformation is modified by acidic pH

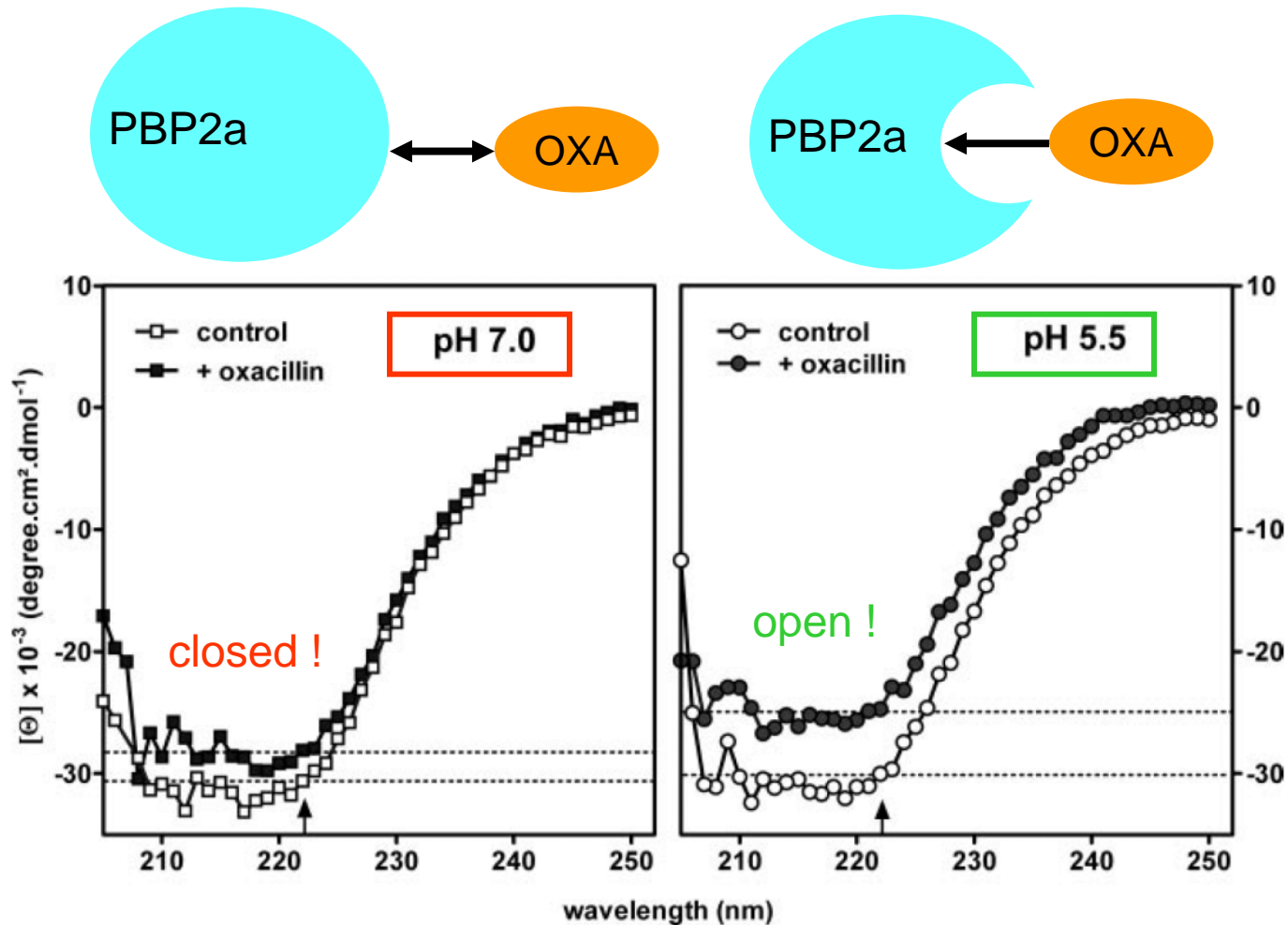
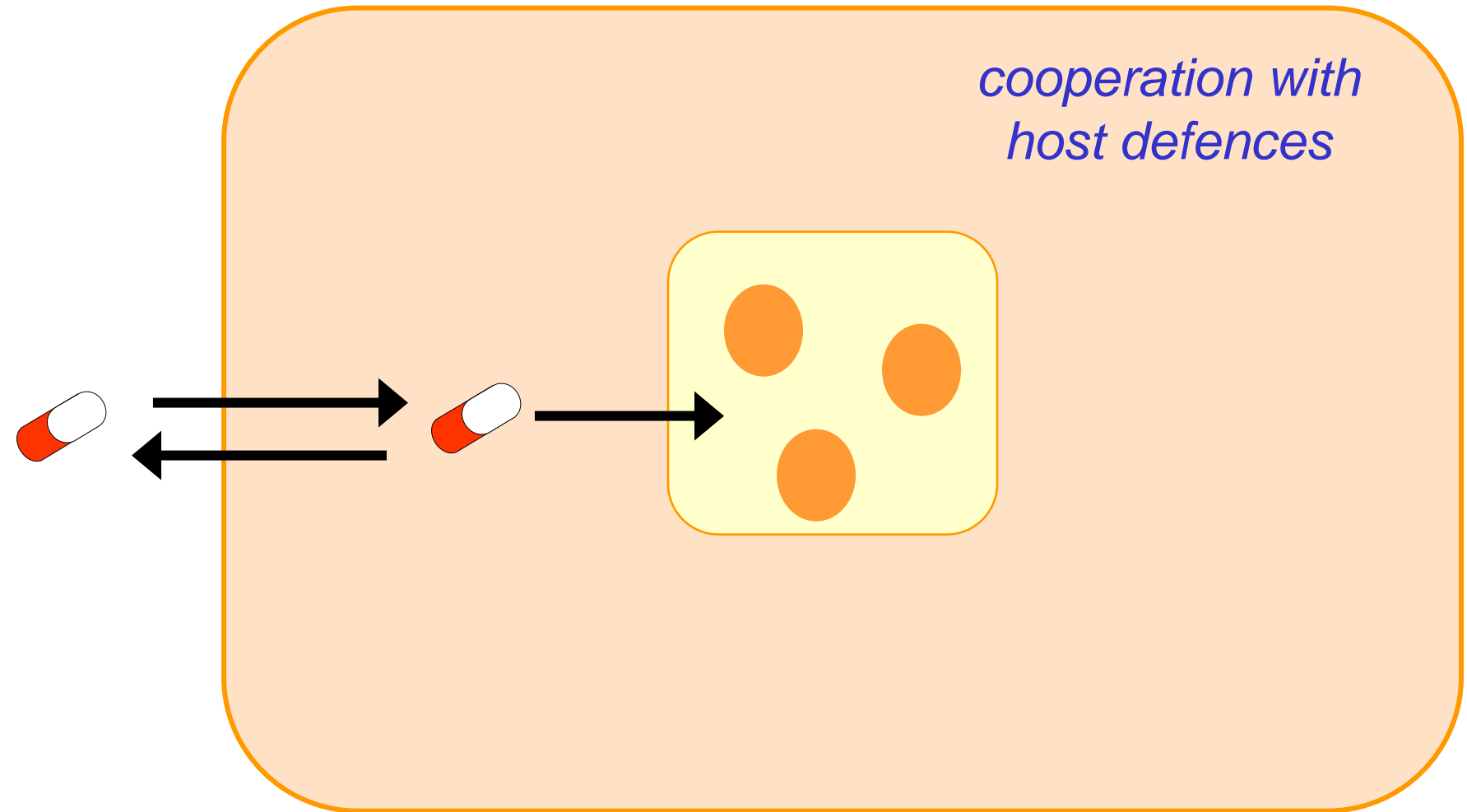


FIGURE 4. Circular dichroic spectra of PBP 2a at pH 7.0 (left panel) and pH 5.5 (right panel) in the absence (open symbols) and in the presence (closed symbols) of oxacillin (30 μM) for 30 min at 25 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. The thin dotted lines in each graph represent minima of PBP 2a molar ellipticity at 222 nm (vertical arrow on the abscissa) for each condition. The spectrum of oxacillin has been subtracted from all data points.

Lemaire et al., JBC (2008) 283:12769-76

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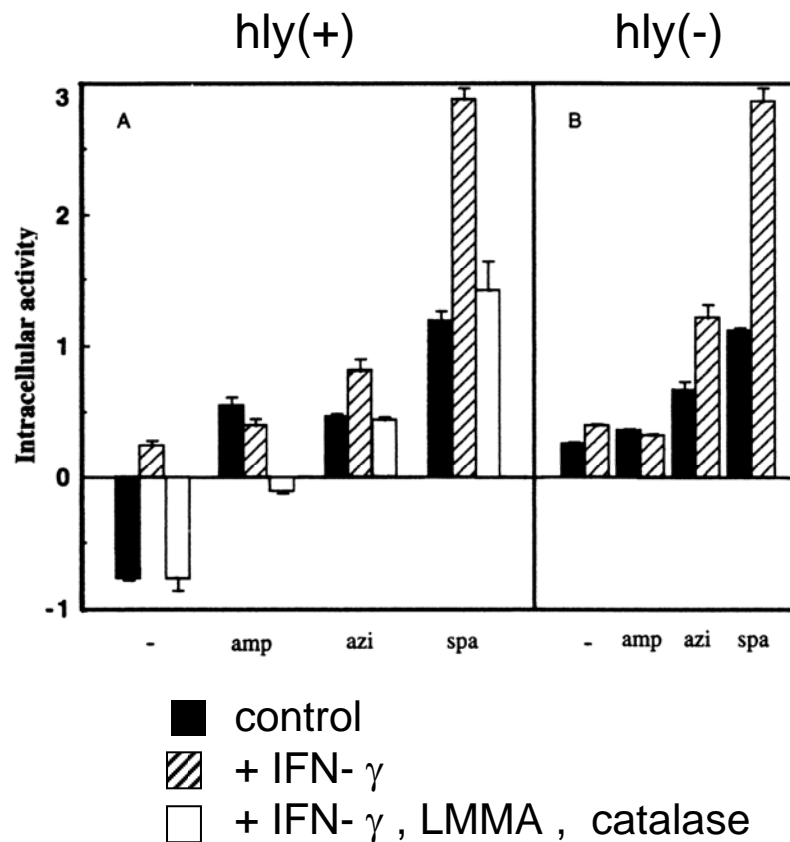
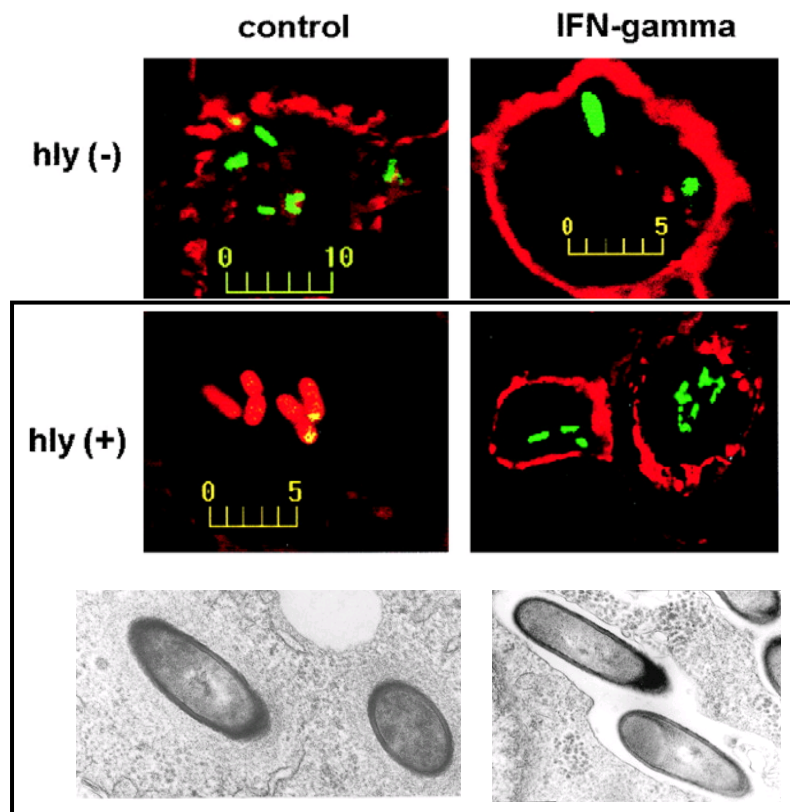


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Cooperation between fluoroquinolones and INF- γ against *Listeria monocytogenes*

INF- γ prevents *Listeria* escape from phagosome

fluoroquinolones cooperate with oxydative burst



Quadrhiri et al., AAC (1999) 43:1242-51



Have you made your choice ?



- high intracellular bioavailability
- capacity to rejoin the infected compartment
- not substrate for efflux pumps
- low MIC at both neutral and acidic pH
- highly bactericidal, including against slow growing bacteria
- no cell toxicity
- cooperation with cell defense mechanisms

Take home message

1. identify your target

2. choose the right weapon

you may avoid serious problems ...





Our « intracellular » team



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S. Carryn



S. Van de Velde



A. Lismond



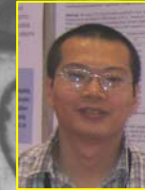
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