

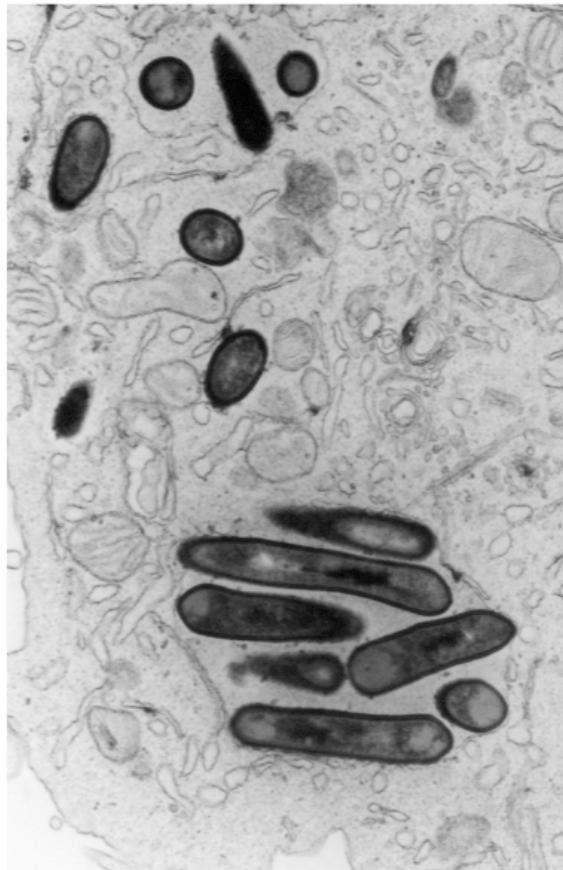
Intracellular bacteria and antibiotics: *S. aureus, L. monocytogenes et P. aeruginosa*

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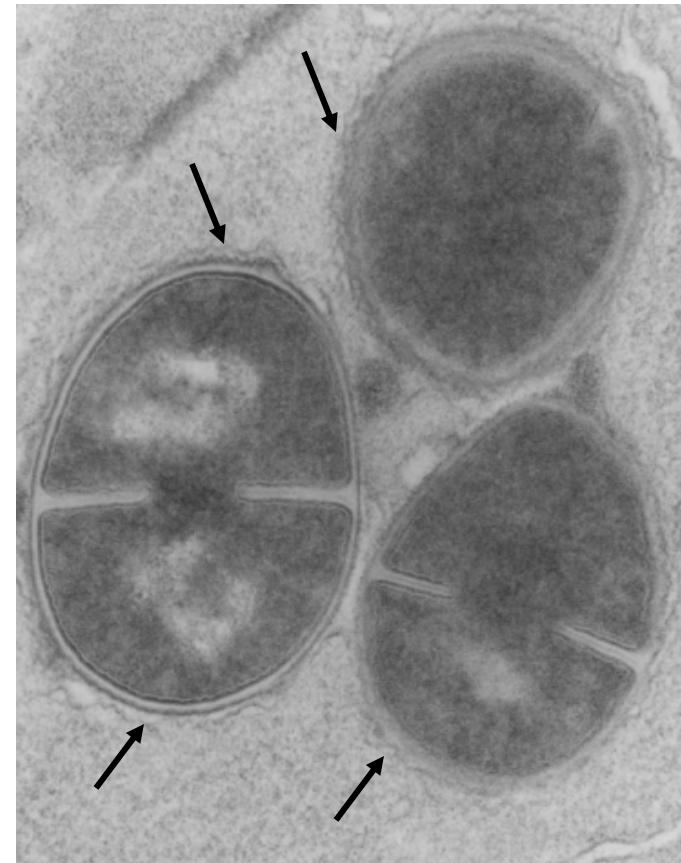
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The infected cell: a guided tour ...

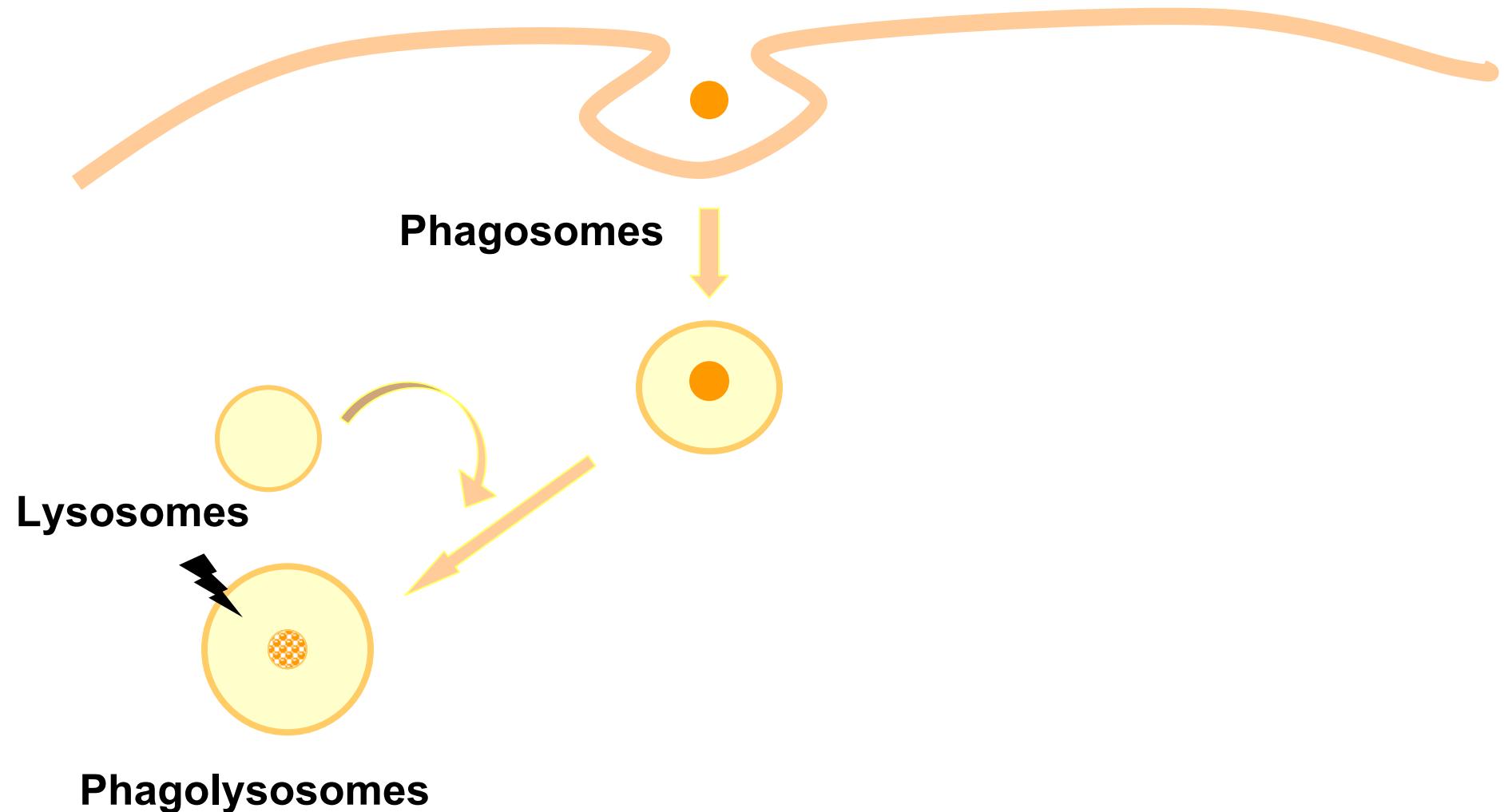


Listeria; cytosol

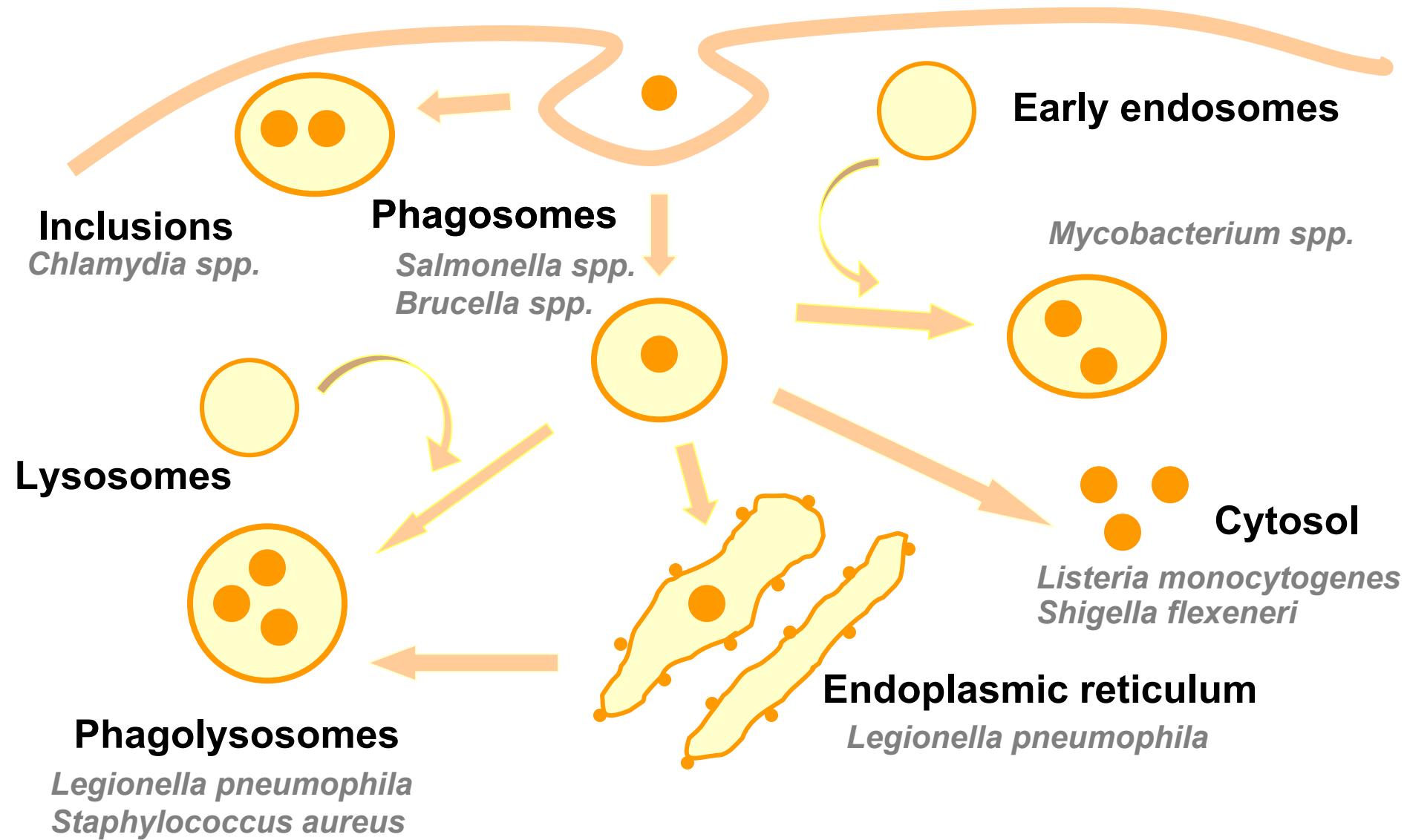


S. aureus; phagolysosomes

Intracellular killing of bacteria by host cell defence mechanisms

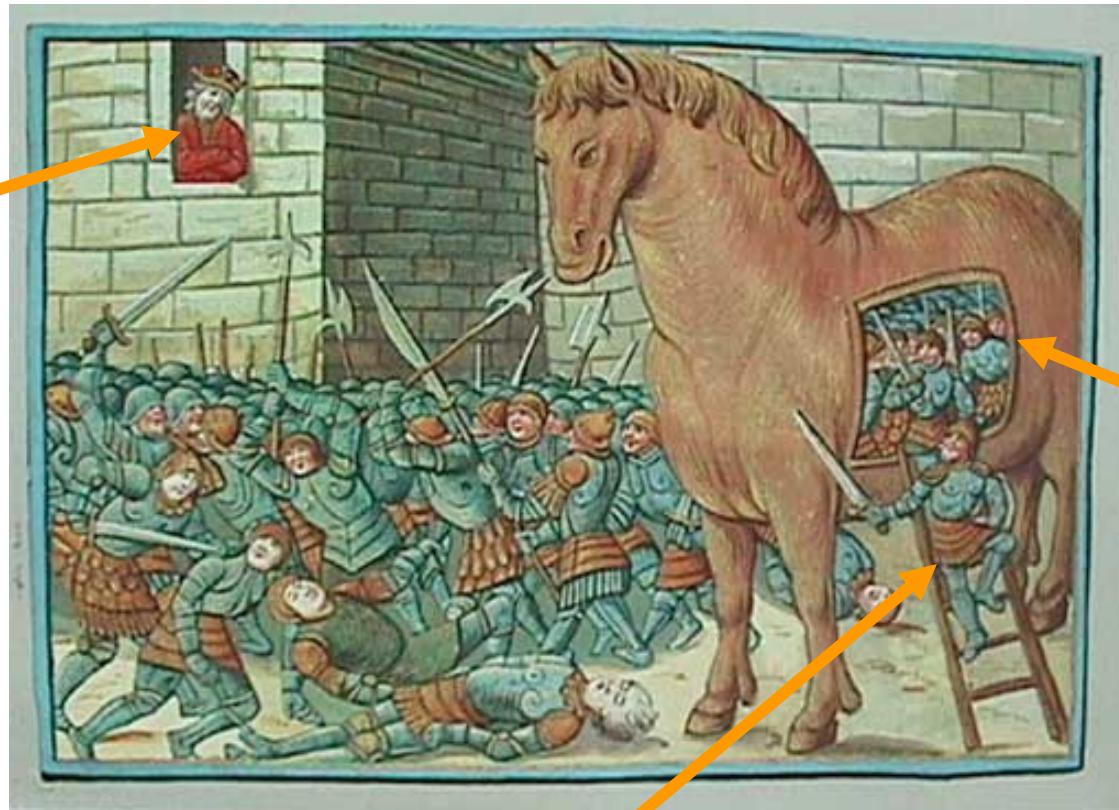


Some bacteria can escape host cell defence mechanisms ...



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Benefits of intracellular life

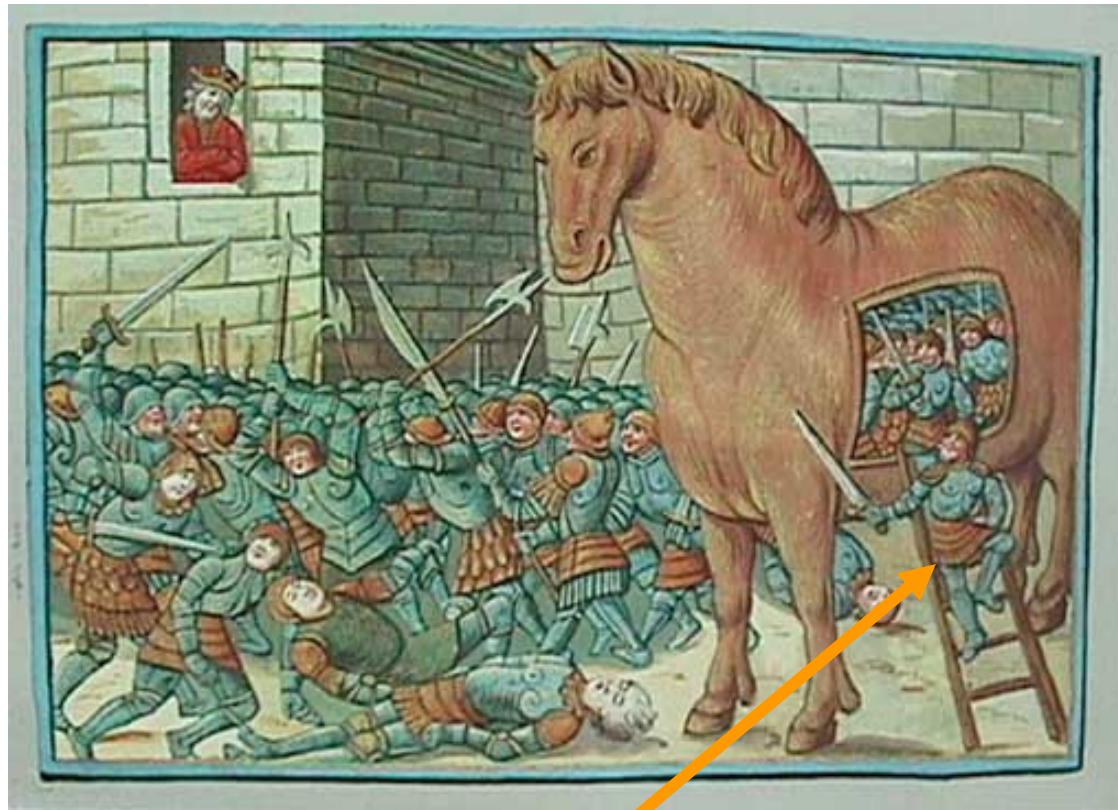


protection

persistence

invasion

Benefits of intracellular life

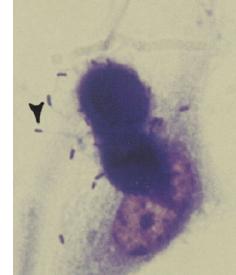
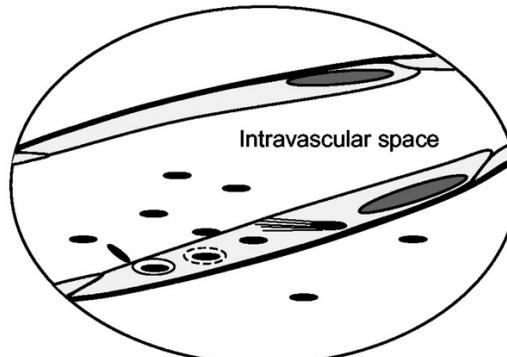


invasion

Migration to the CNS

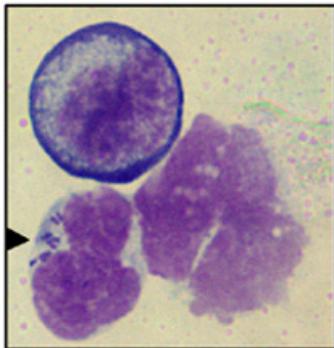
Listeria:
from the gut to the CNS

A. Direct invasion of endothelial cells

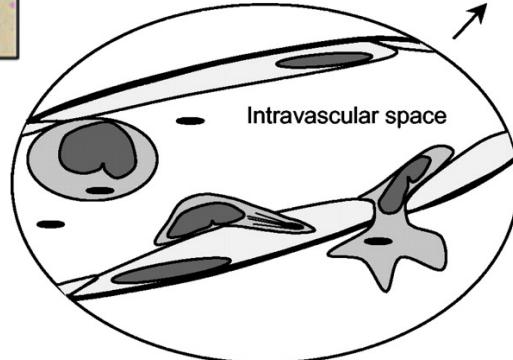


adherence and transfert
from monocytes to endothelial cells

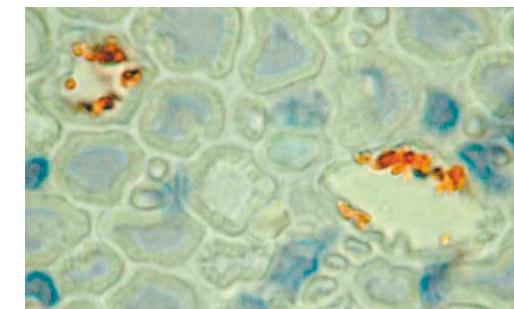
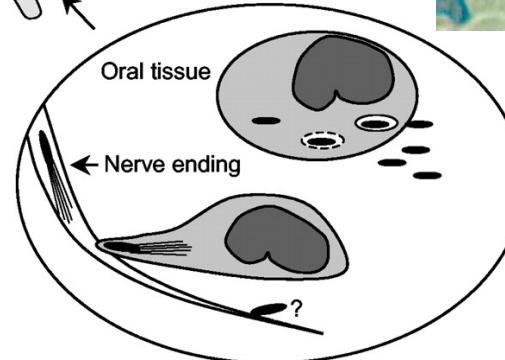
bone-marrow monocyte



B. Phagocyte-facilitated invasion



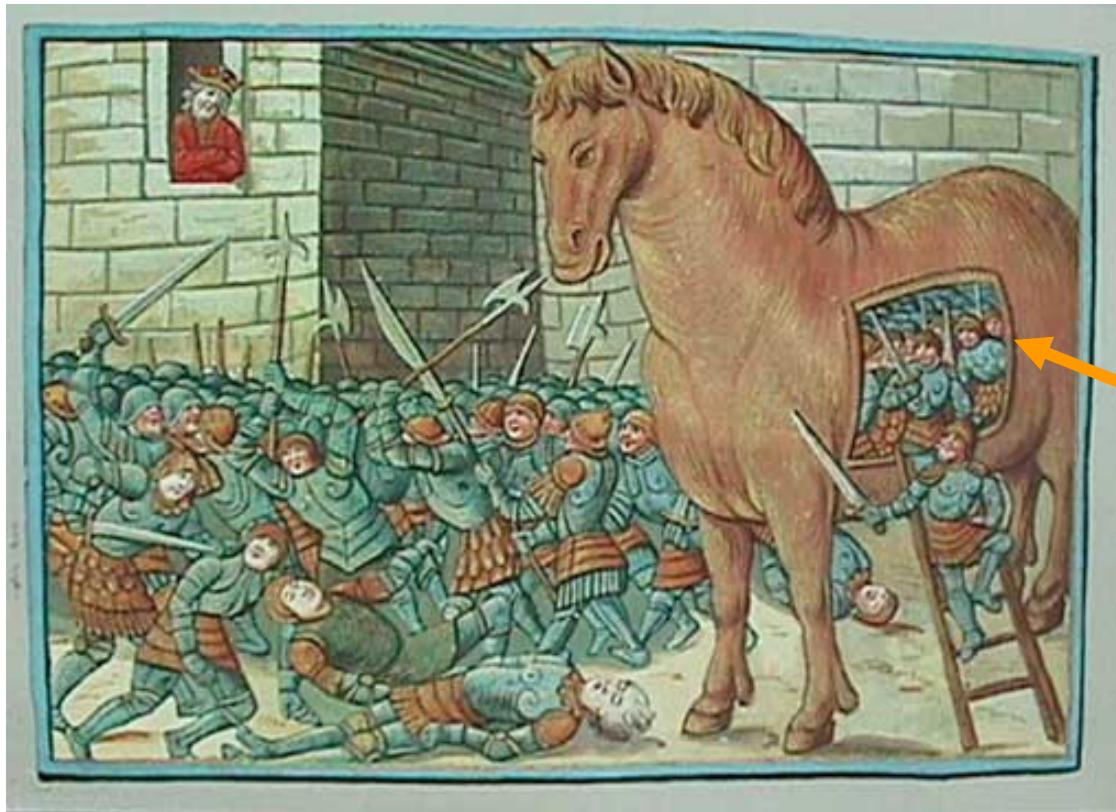
C. Neural route



intra-axonal labeling
by anti-listeria antibodies

Antal et al., *Brain Pathol.* (2001) 11:432-8; Drevets & Bronze, *FEMS Immunol Med Microbiol.* (2008) 53:151-65
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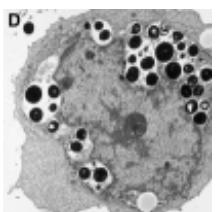


persistence

S. aureus can survive and multiply in several cell types



Mechanisms of *Staphylococcus aureus* invasion of cultured osteoblasts.
Ellington et al. Microb Pathog. (1999) 26:317-23.



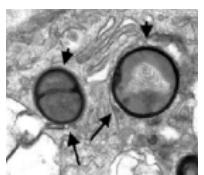
Invasion of human keratinocytes by *Staphylococcus aureus* and intracellular bacterial persistence represent haemolysin-independent virulence mechanisms that are followed by features of necrotic and apoptotic keratinocyte cell death.

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Brouillette et al. Microb Pathog. (2003) 35:159-68.

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Intracellular *Staphylococcus aureus*. A mechanism for the indolence of osteomyelitis.

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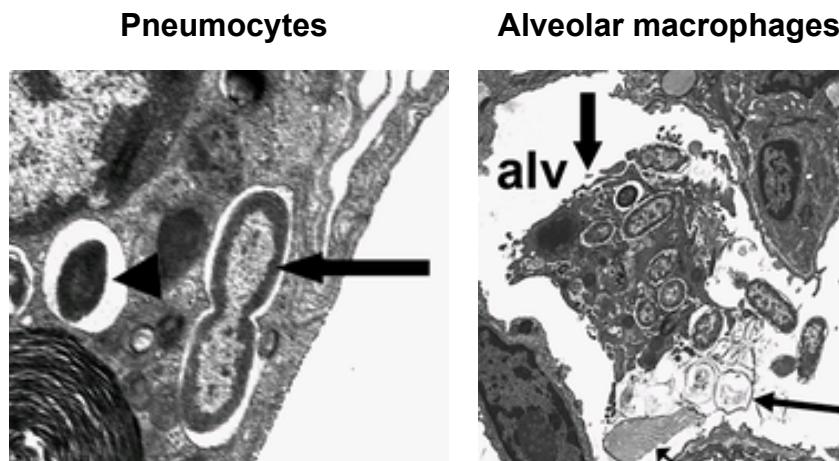


Demonstration of intracellular *Staphylococcus aureus* in bovine mastitis alveolar cells and macrophages isolated from naturally infected cow milk.

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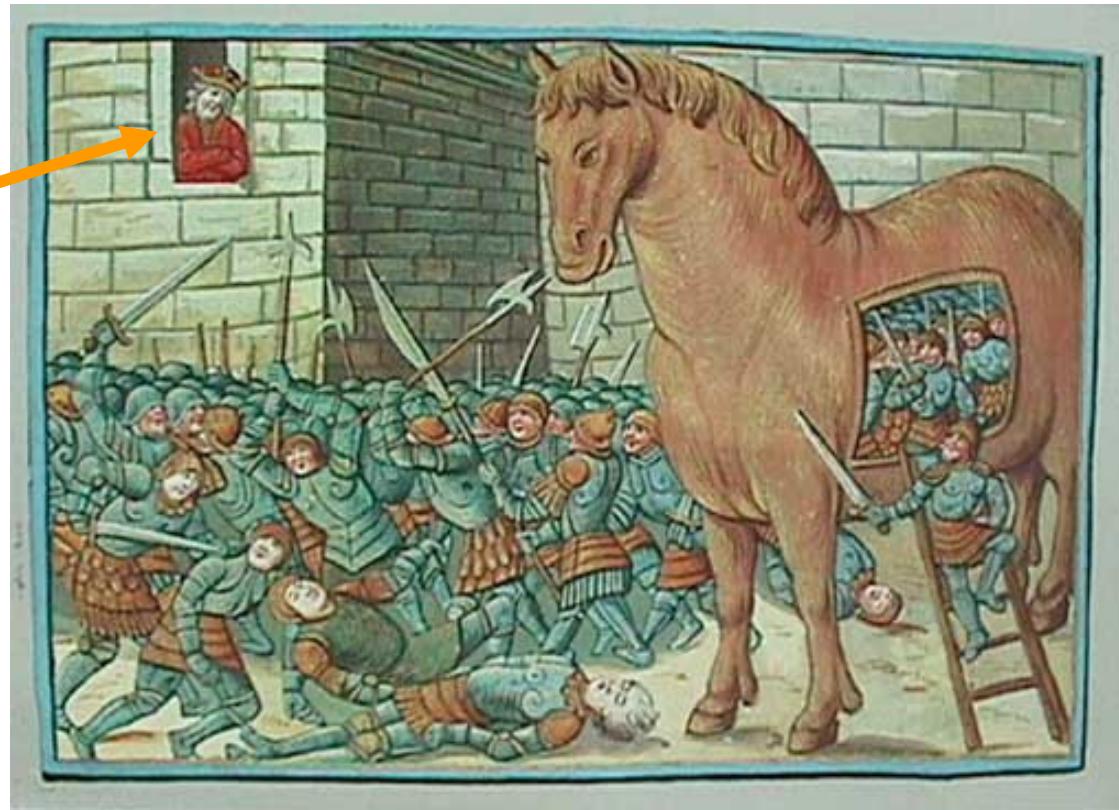
P. aeruginosa as an intracellular pathogen

- penetration inside epithelial cells and phagocytic cells
→ protection from immune defences
- reservoir responsible for persistence or recurrence of infections
- intracellular fate not yet fully characterized



Schmiedl et al., Cell Tissue Res. (2010) 342:67-73.

Benefits of intracellular life



protection

Failure to eradicate with antibiotics in vitro ...

Reduced Ability of Penicillin to Eradicate Ingested Group A Streptococci from Epithelial Cells: Clinical and Pathogenetic Implications

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Clinical Infectious Diseases 2006; 43:1398–406

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

Oleg Krut, Herdis Sommer and Martin Krönke*

Pediatr Infect Dis J. 2006 Oct;25(10):880-3.

Persistence of erythromycin-resistant group a streptococci in cultured respiratory cells.

Spinaci C, Magi G, Varaldo PE, Facinelli B.

Institute of Microbiology and Biomedical Sciences, Marche Polytechnic University Medical School, Ancona, Italy.

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and treatment difficulties ...

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Infection. 1992 Mar-Apr;20(2):99-100.

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

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

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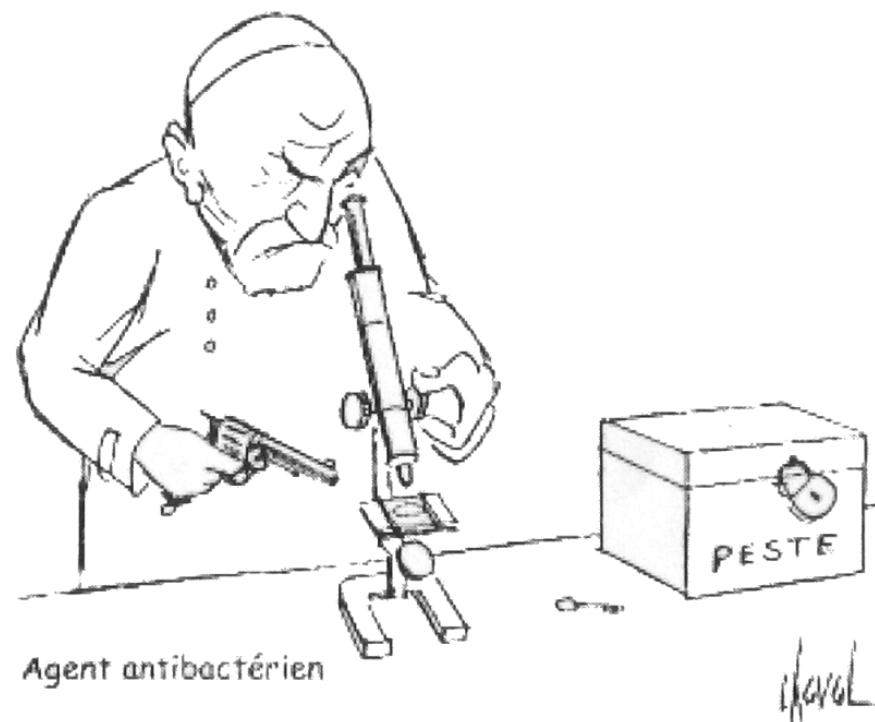
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Intracellular persistence of *Escherichia coli* in urinary bladders from mecillinam-treated mice

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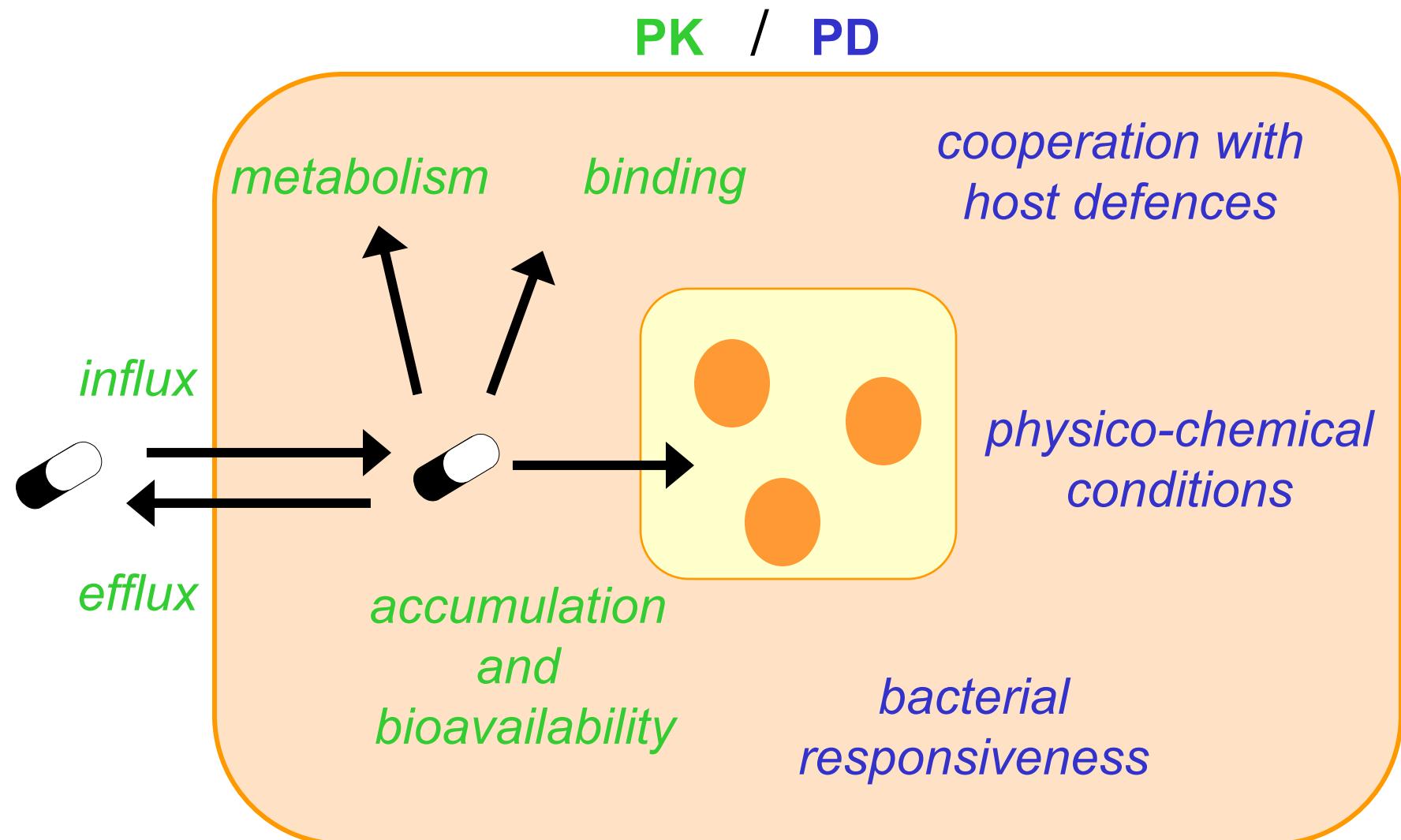
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How to hit intracellular bacteria with antibiotics ?



Agent antibactérien

Antibiotic properties for intracellular activity



Antibiotic accumulation and subcellular distribution

diffusion

β -lactams; fast; ~ 1 x
fluoroquinolones : fast
CIP, LVX : 4-10 x
MXF, GAR, GMF : 10-20 x

linezolid: ~ 1 x
lincosamides: 1-4 x
tetracyclines: 2-4 x
rifampin : 2-10 x
synergid: 30-50x

?

endocytosis

aminoglycosides: slow ; 2-4 x
glycopeptides: slow

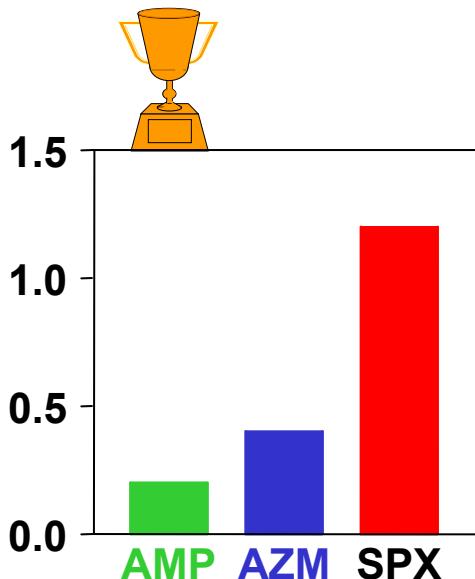
VAN ~ 8 x
TLV ~ 50 x
ORI ~ 150-300 x

macrolides: fast
ERY: 4-10 x
CLR, ROX, TEL: 10-50x
AZM: > 50 x
SOL: 350 x
oxazolidinones: fast
RDZ : 10 x

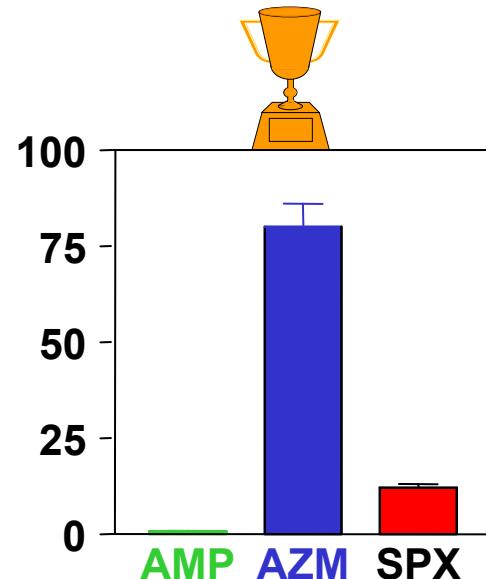
diffusion/
segregation

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

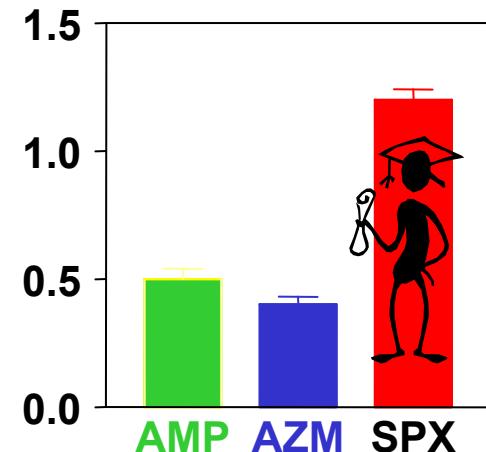
MIC
(*L. monocytogenes*)



antibiotic accumulation



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

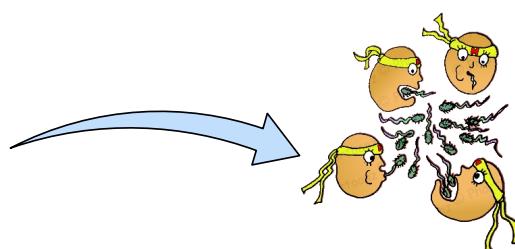


In vitro model of intracellular infection



Opsonization

9 mL RPMI +
1 mL human serum

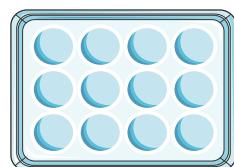


Phagocytosis

Extracellular Wash

Gentamicin 100 X MIC h)

$5 - 10 \times 10^5$ CFU/mg prot.
Time 0



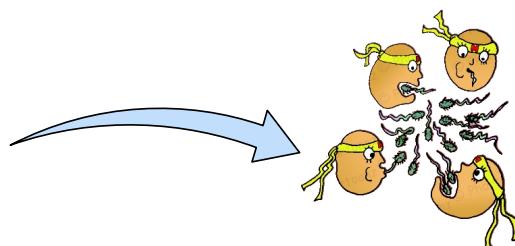
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For up to 24 h

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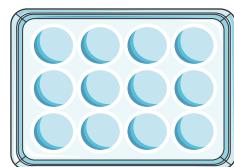
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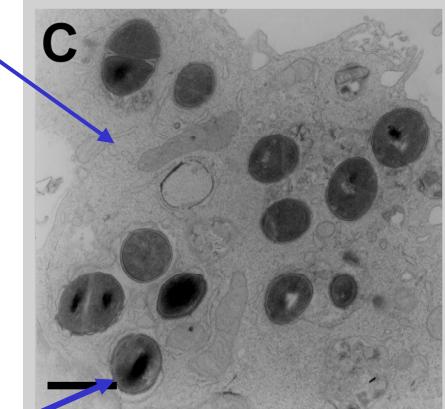
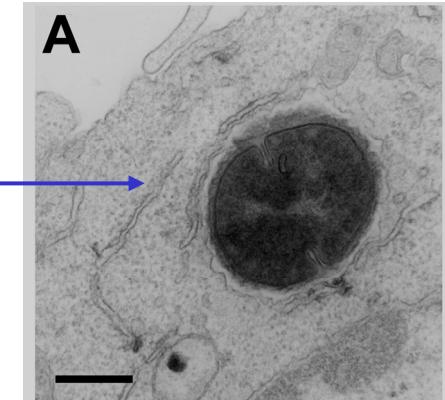
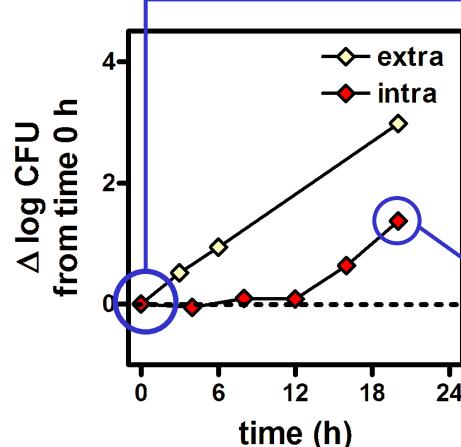
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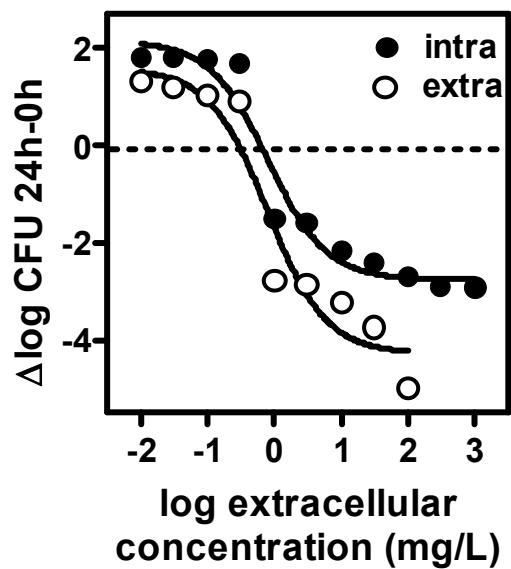
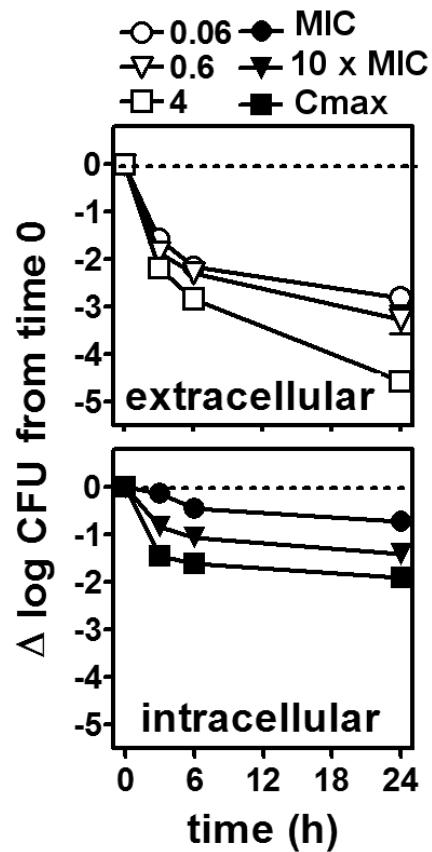
S. aureus as an example



remains in
vacuoles

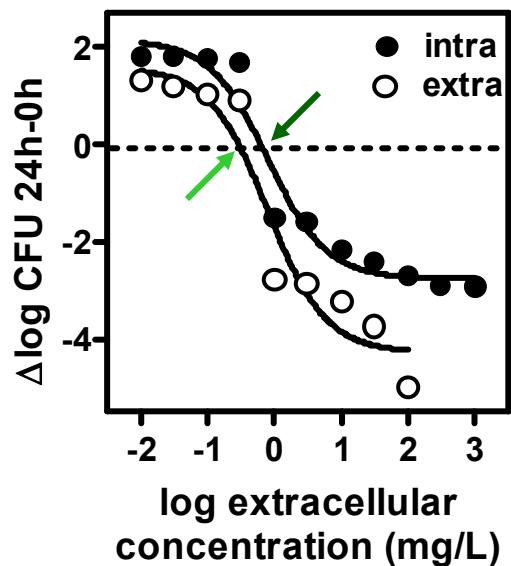
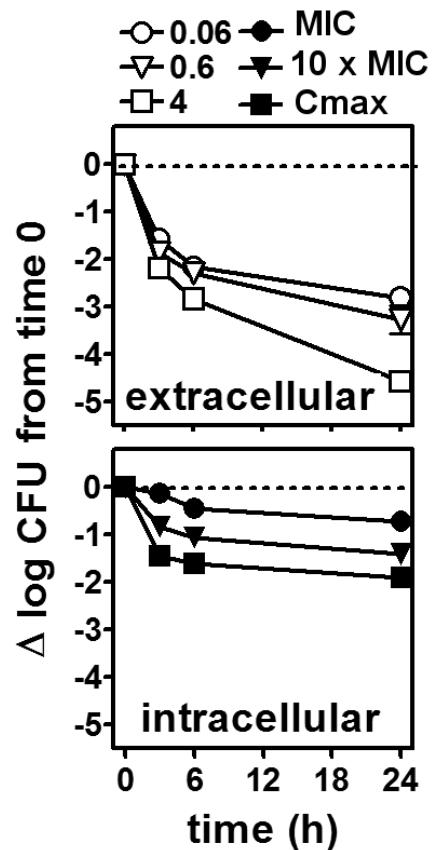
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moxifloxacin & *S. aureus*



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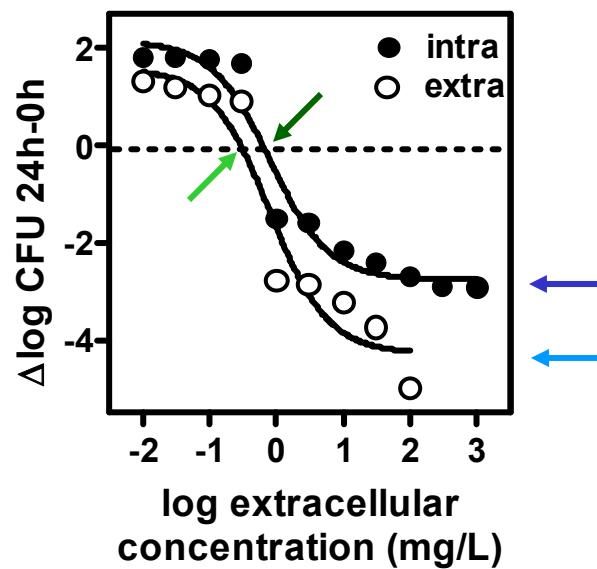
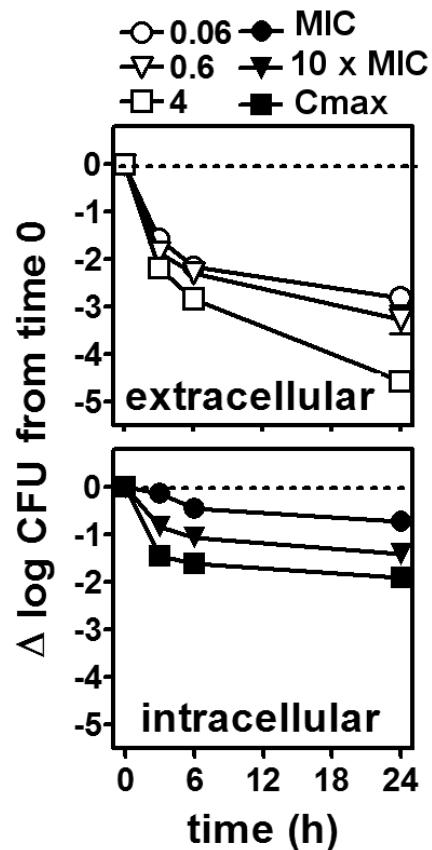


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relative potency

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moxifloxacin & *S. aureus*



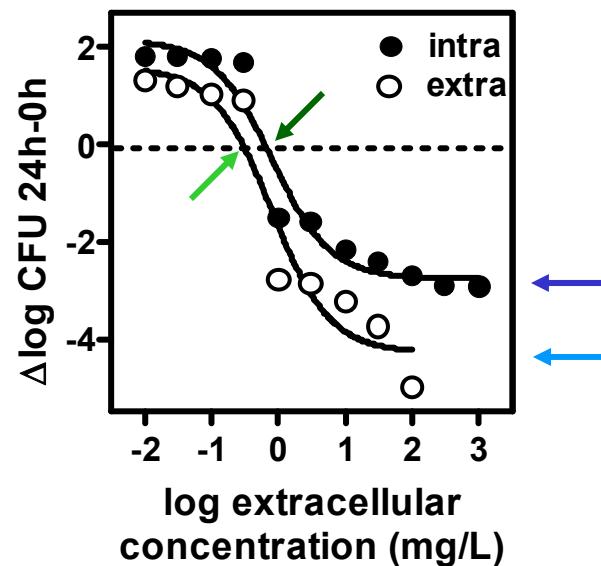
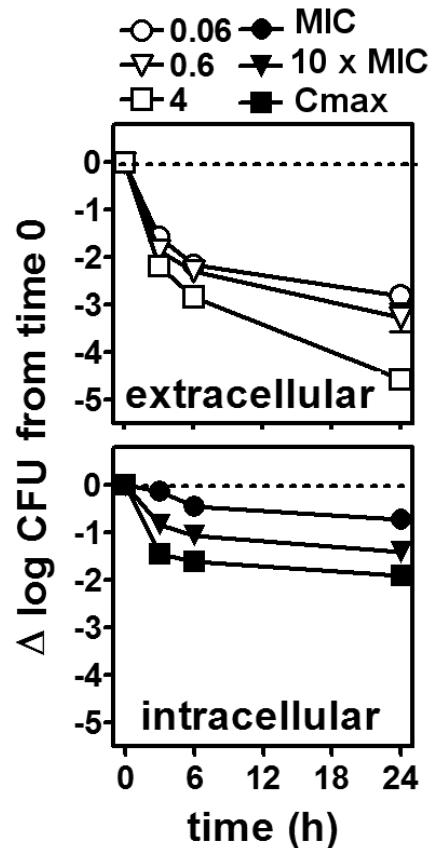
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$\Delta \log \text{CFU} 24\text{h}-0$
log extracellular
concentration (mg/L)



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Quantitative comparison
~ models
~ drugs



relative
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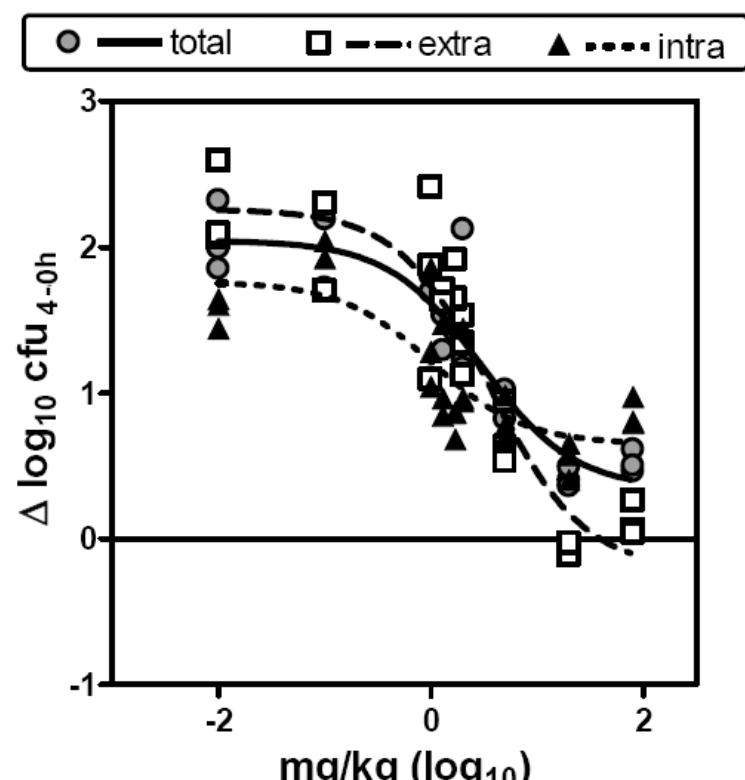
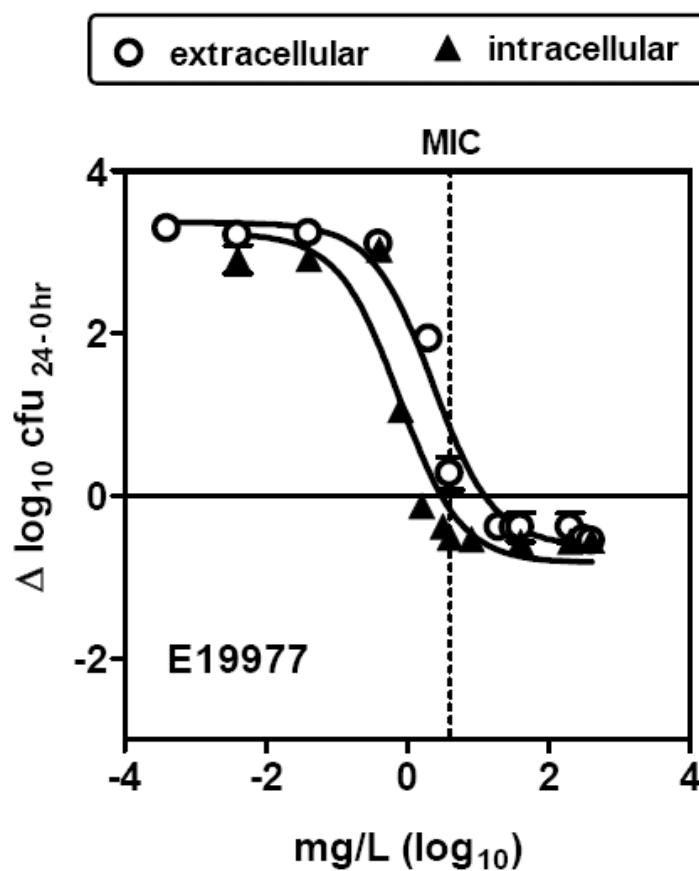
in vitro vs in vivo

in vitro
(macrophages)

Linezolid & *S. aureus*

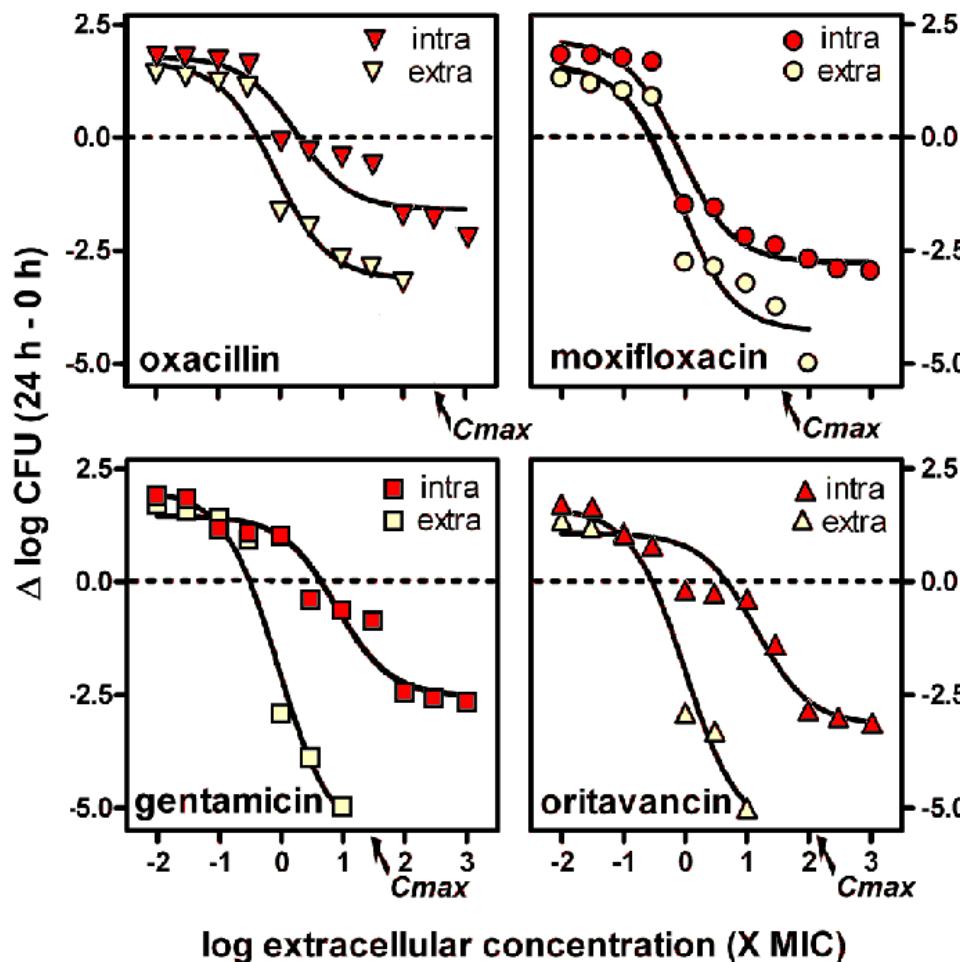


in vivo
(peritonitis)



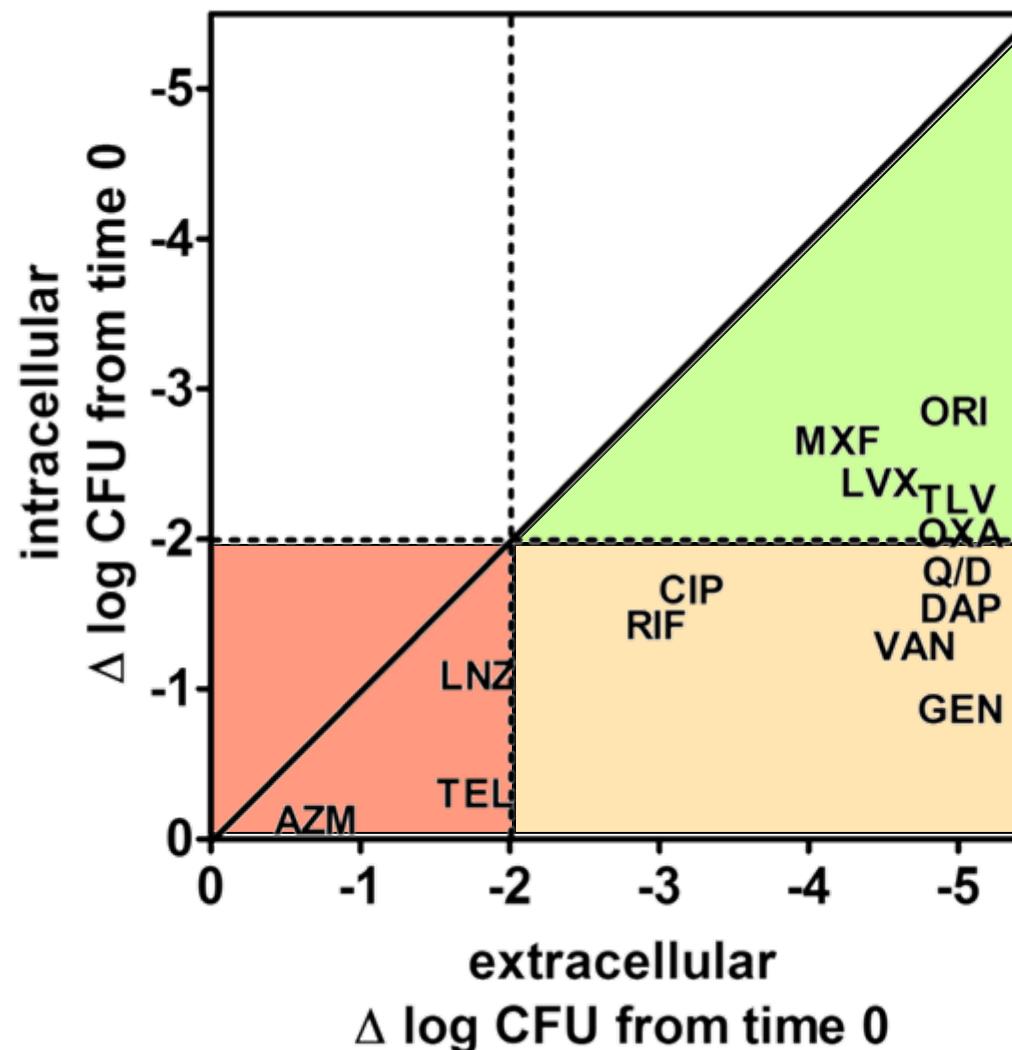
Comparing different drugs against a single species

Activity at 24 h against *S. aureus* – fully susceptible strain



Barcia-Macay et al., *Antimicrob Agents Chemother.* (2006) 50:841-51

Balance of extra-and intracellular activity of antibiotics against *S. aureus*



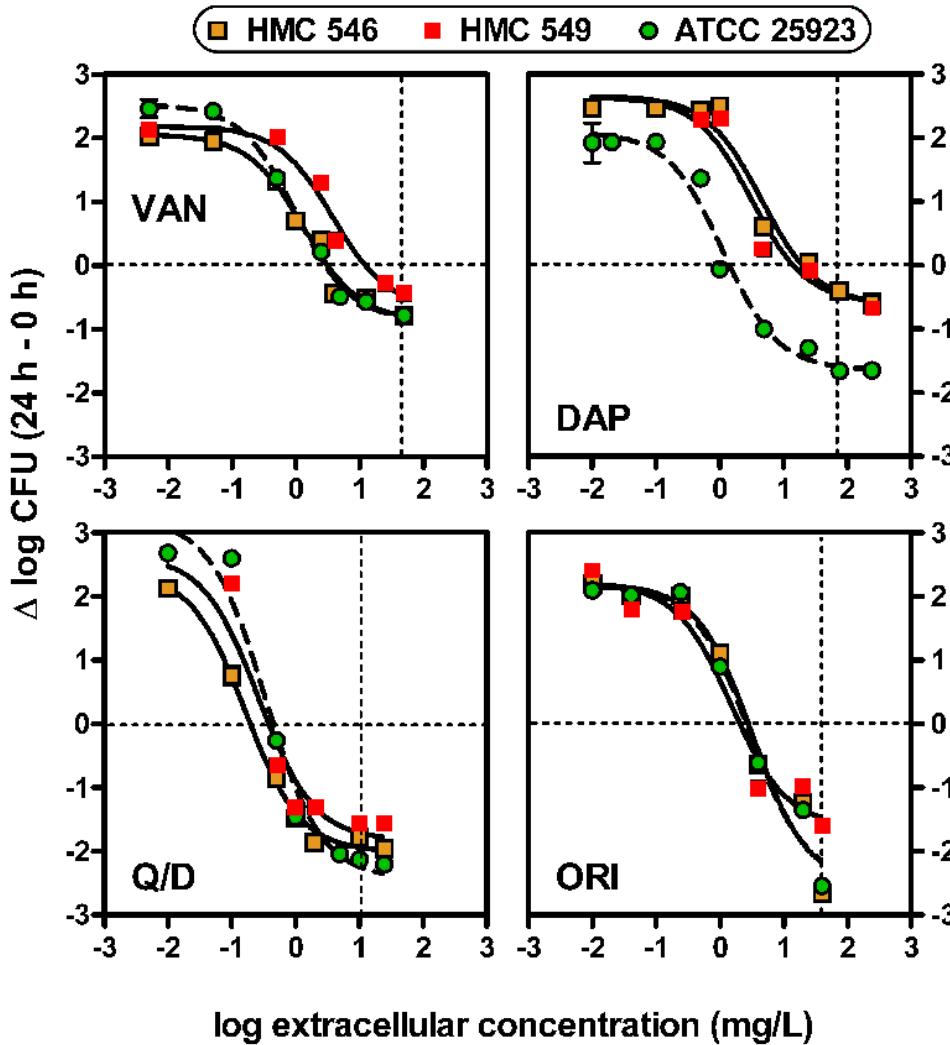
Adapted from Van Bambeke et al., Curr Opin Drug Discov Devel. (2006) 9:218-30

What about resistant strains ?

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

higher
intracellular
 EC_{50}

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of resistance
phenotype

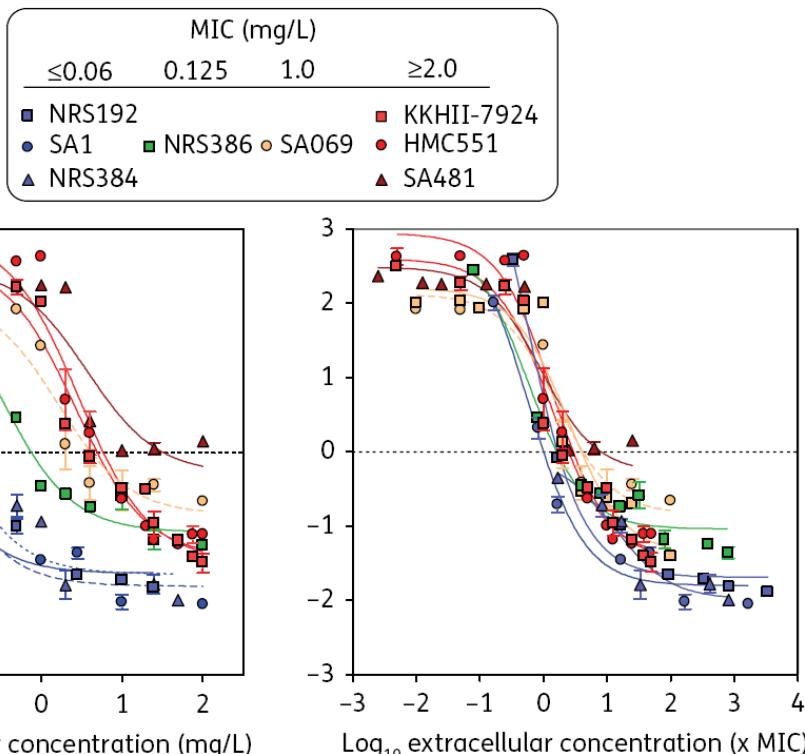


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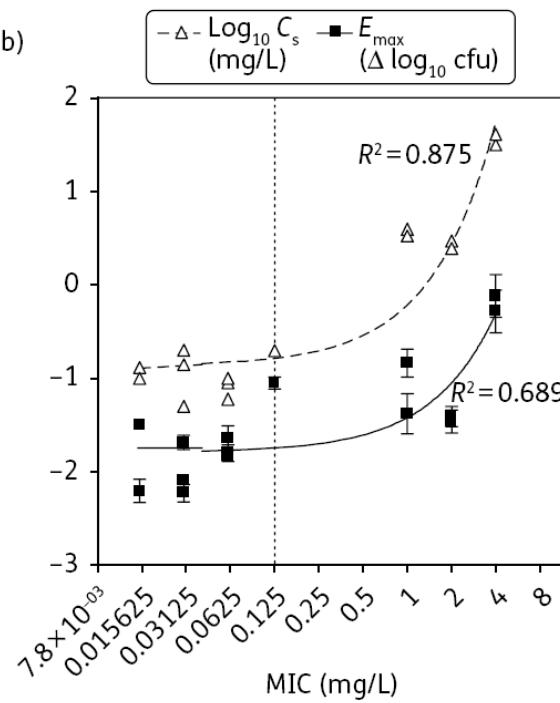
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S. aureus strains with increasing MICs to moxifloxacin



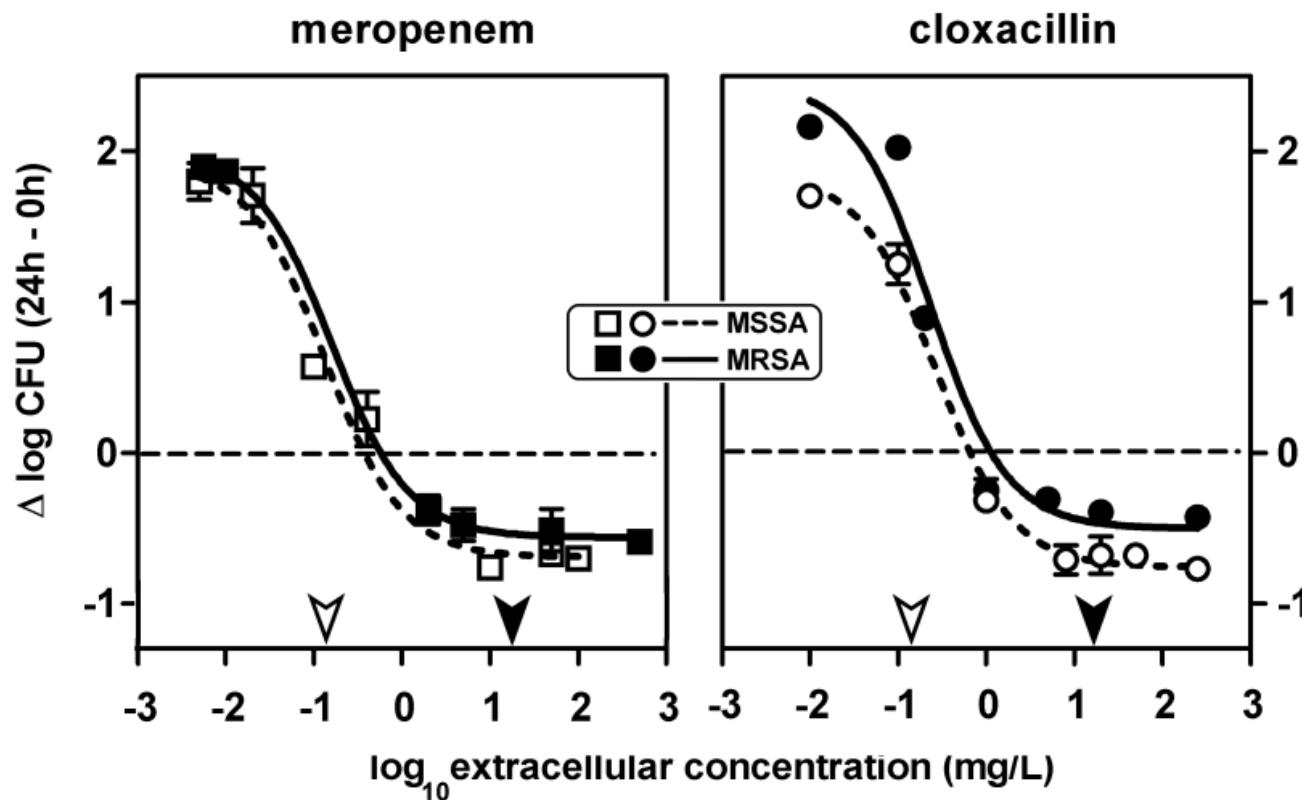
Intracellular
susceptibility
breakpoint

(b)



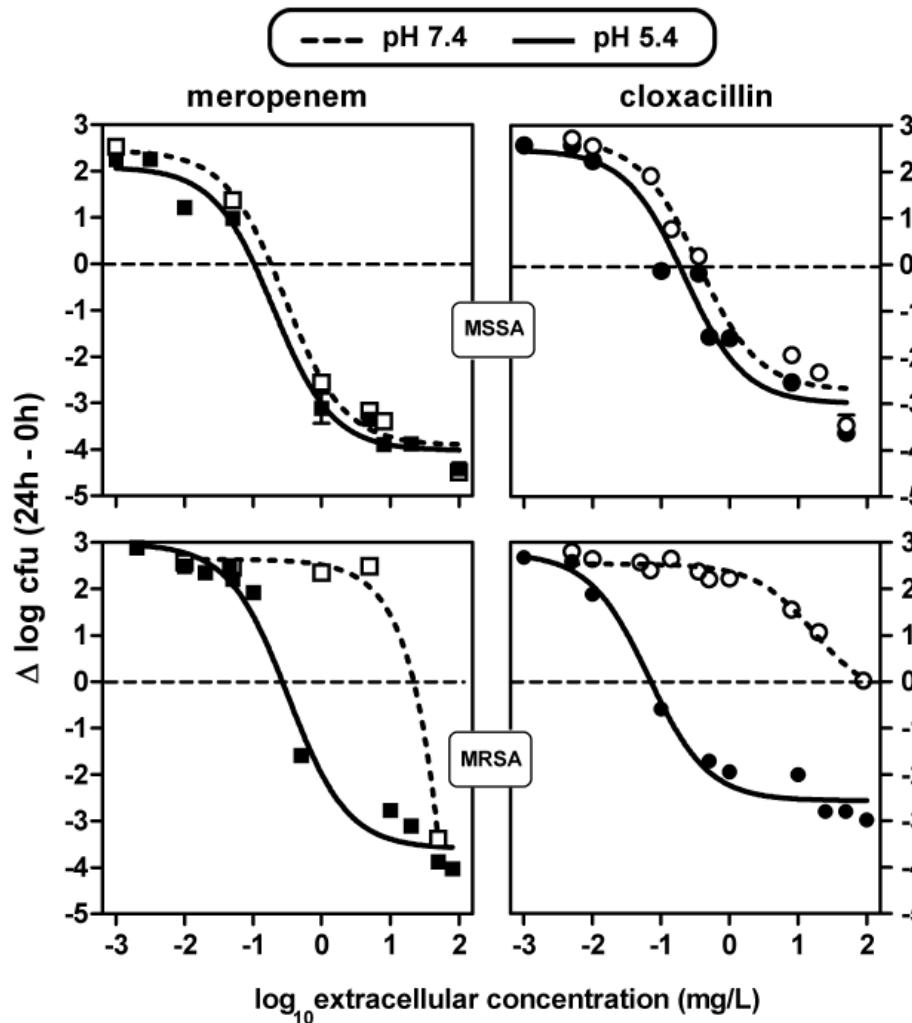
Beta-lactams ~ MSSA and MRSA

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



MRSA vs. MSSA: extracellular activity of β -lactams

MRSA are as susceptible as MSSA in broth at acidic pH



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

PBP2a conformation is modified by acidic pH

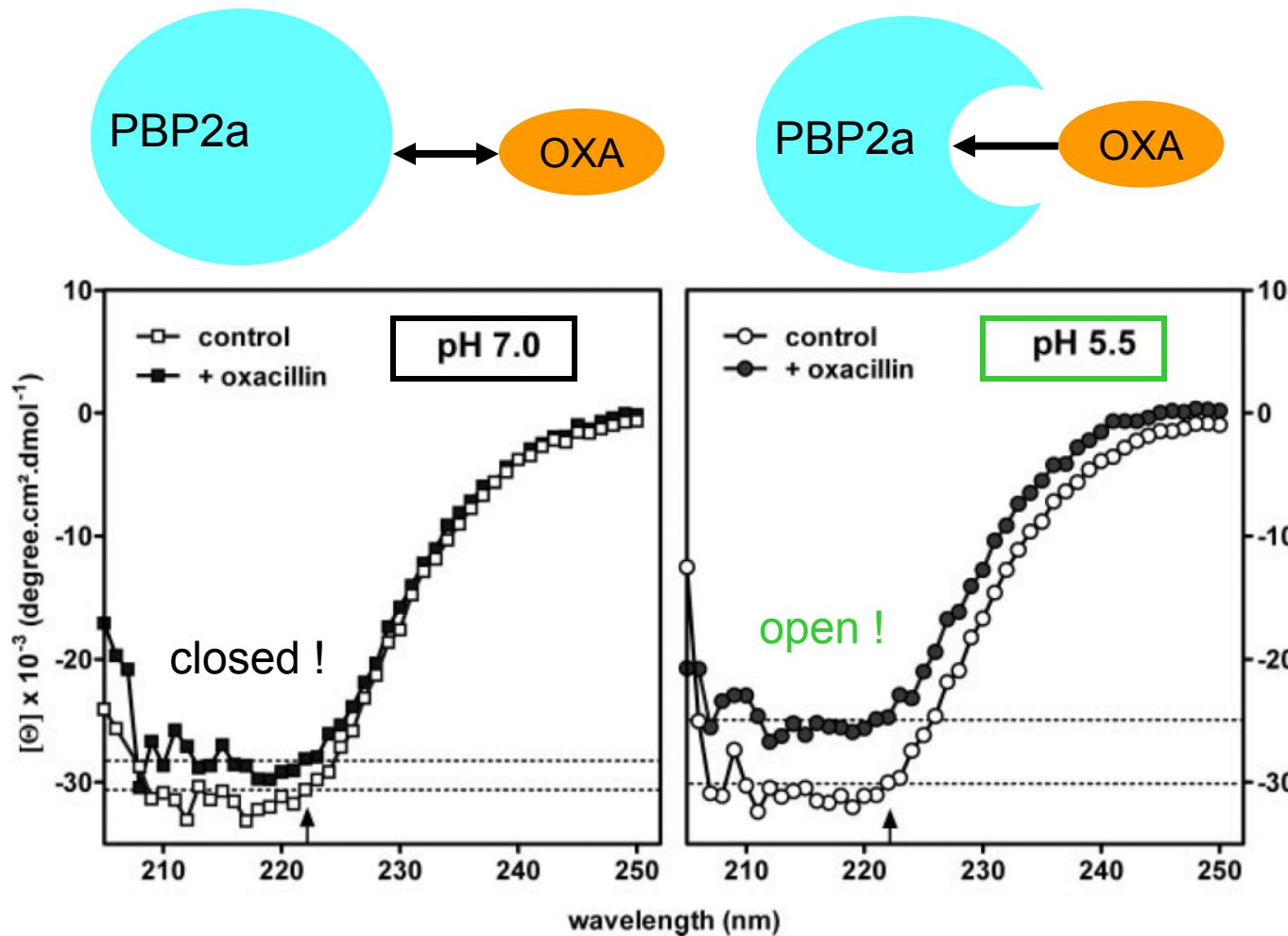
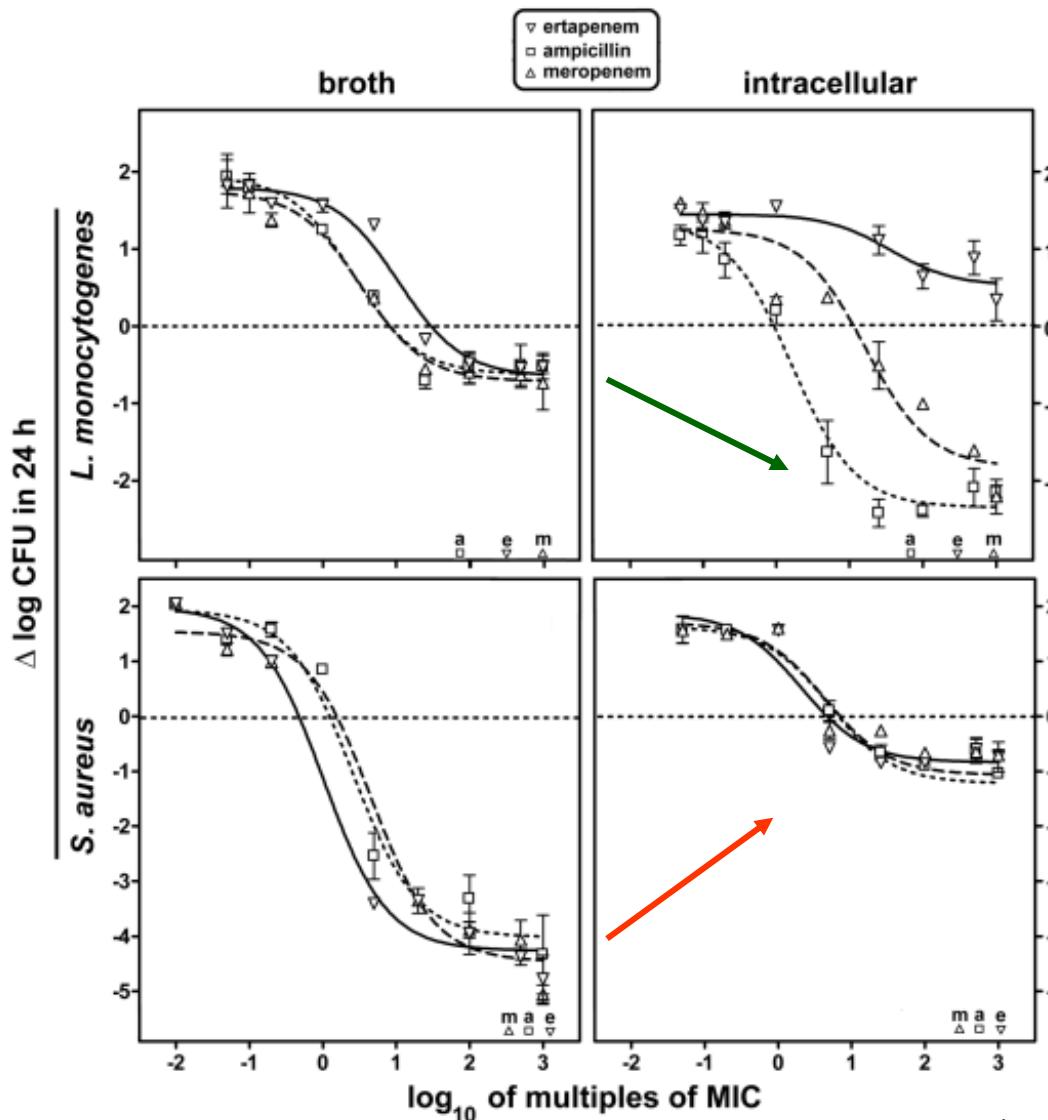


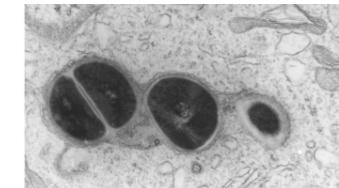
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Comparing a class of drugs against different bacteria

Beta-lactams vs. *L. monocytogenes* and *S. aureus*

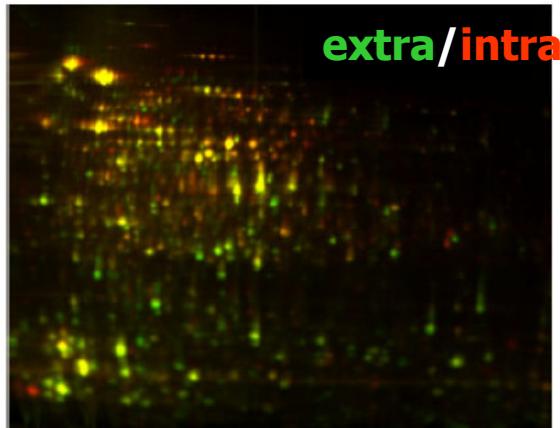


more active
against
intracellular
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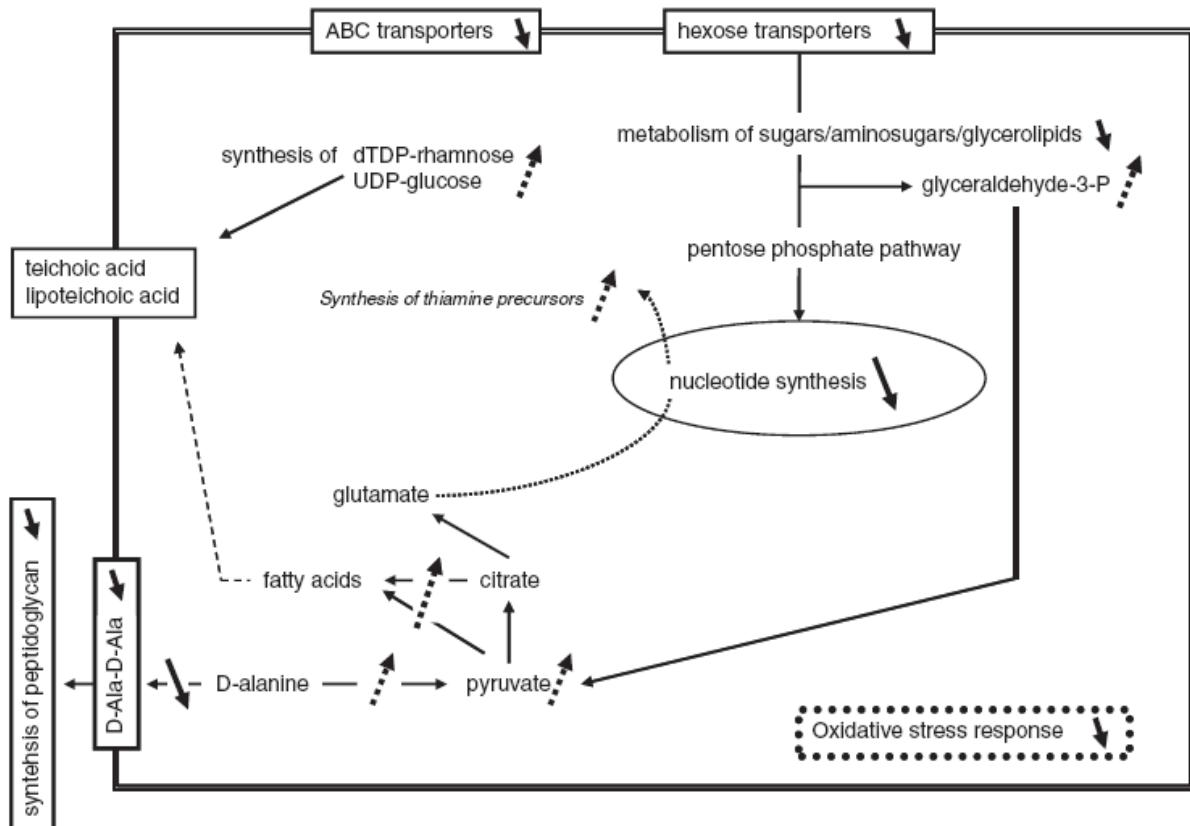


Why are beta-lactams so active against intracellular *L. monocytogenes* ?

Proteome analysis of intra- vs extra- *Listeria*



Reduced
cell wall
synthesis



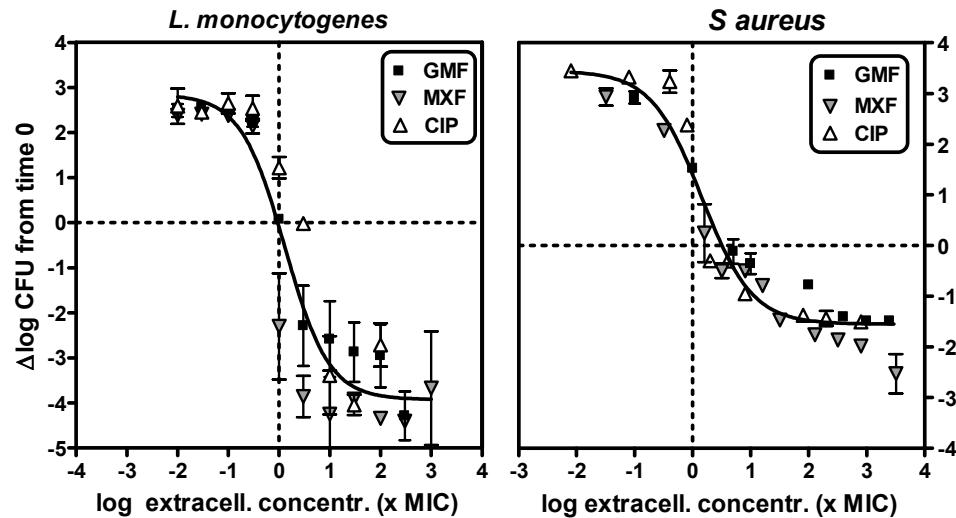
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Comparing a class of drugs against different bacteria

Fluoroquinolones against *L. monocytogenes* vs. *S.aureus*



They all look the same ...

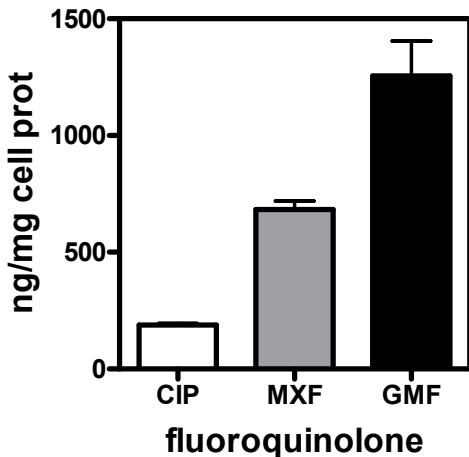
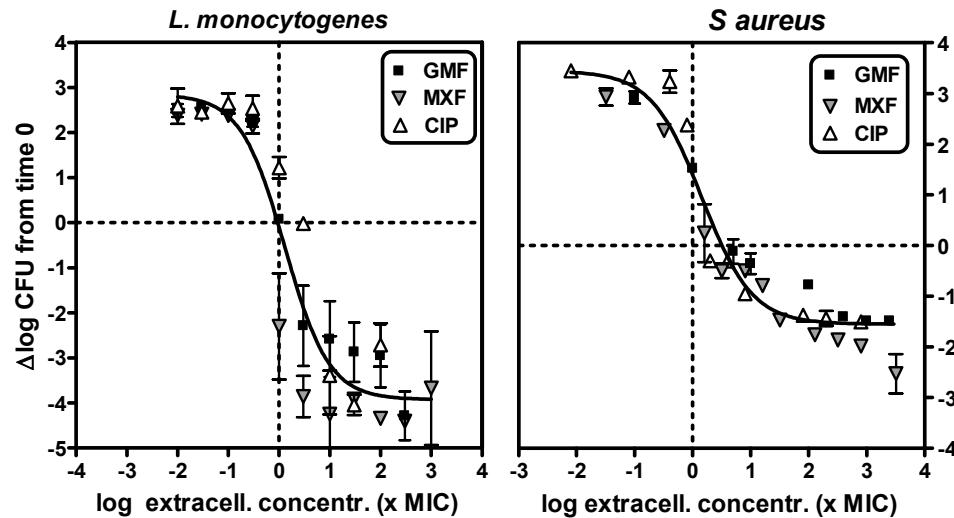


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...eventhough
they accumulate
to variable levels

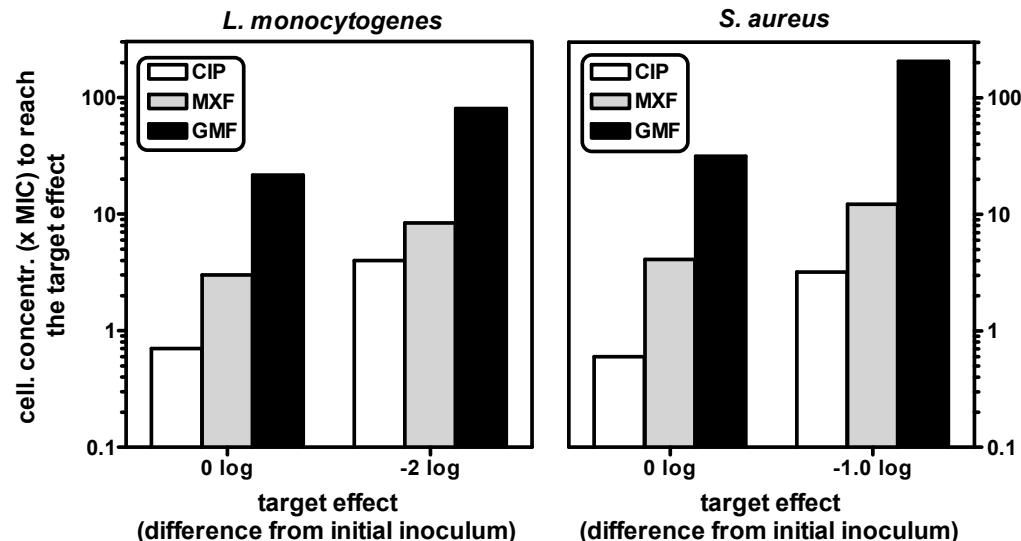
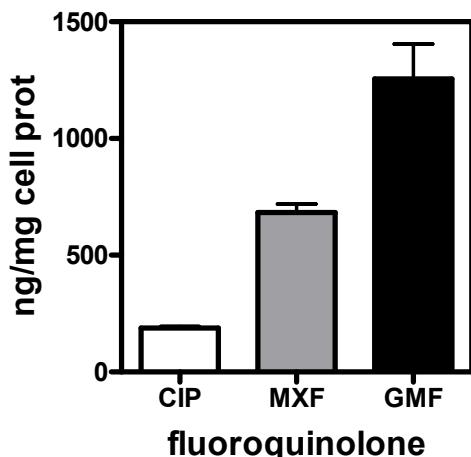
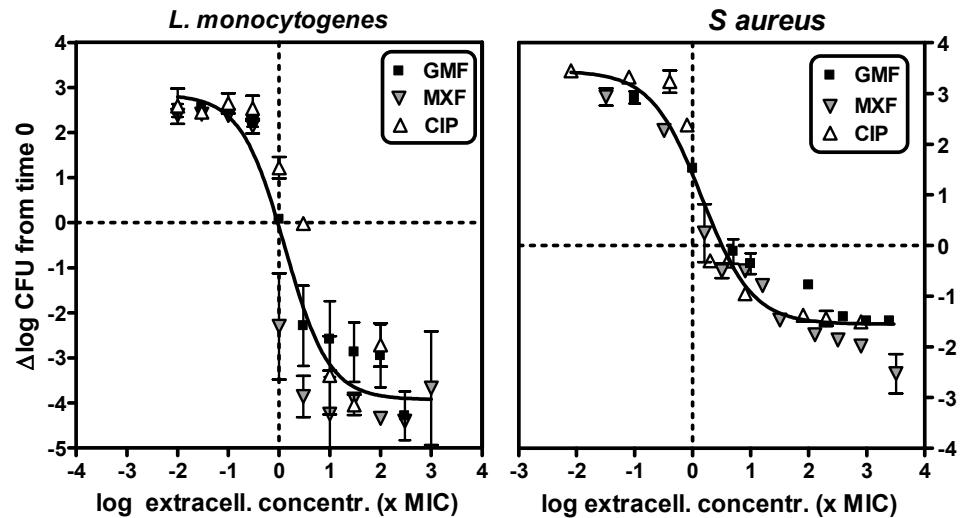


Comparing a class of drugs against different bacteria

Fluoroquinolones against *L. monocytogenes* vs. *S.aureus*



intracellular
bioavailability ?

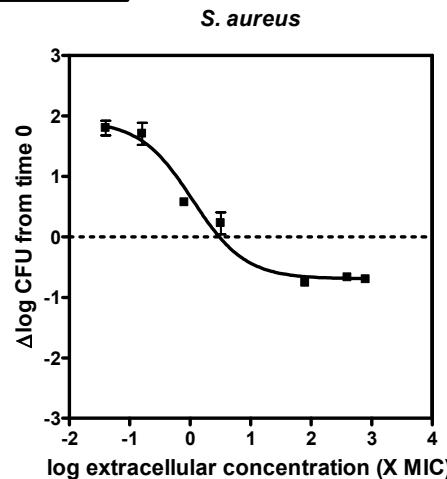


What about *P. aeruginosa* ?

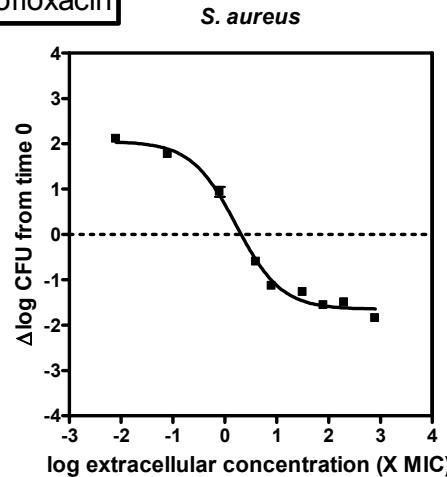


These two look alike ...

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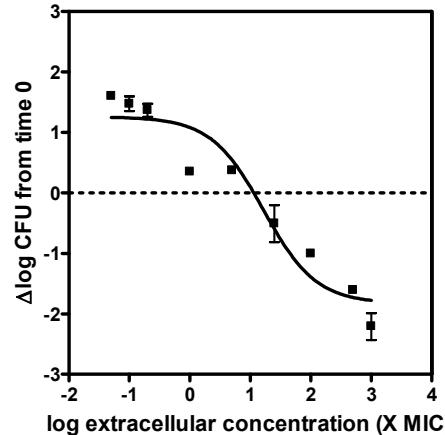


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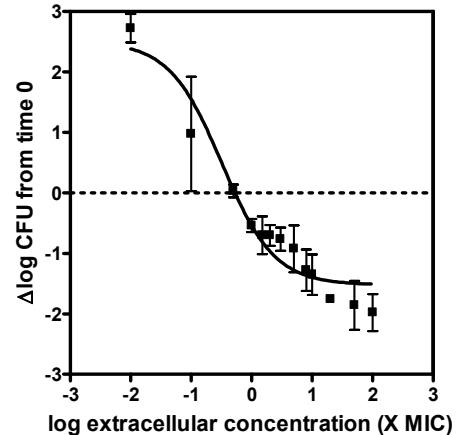


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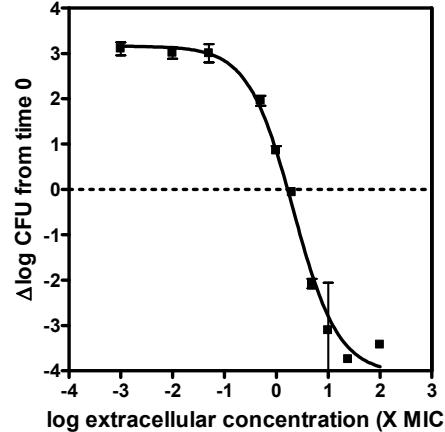
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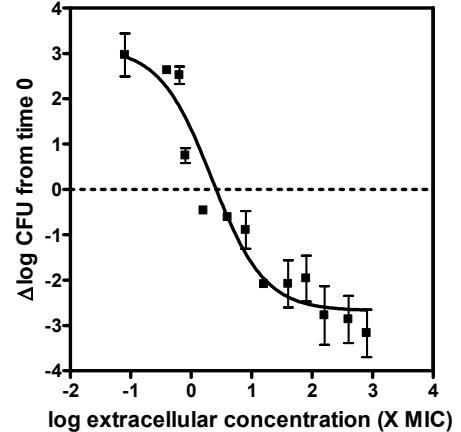
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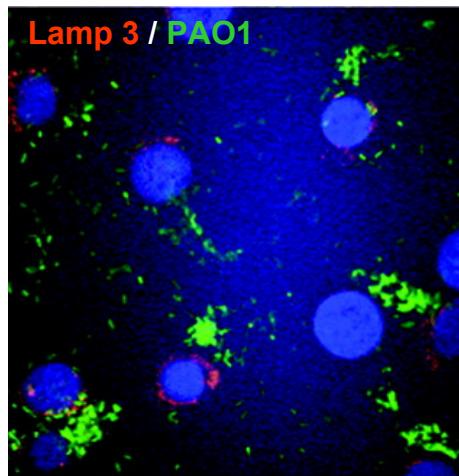
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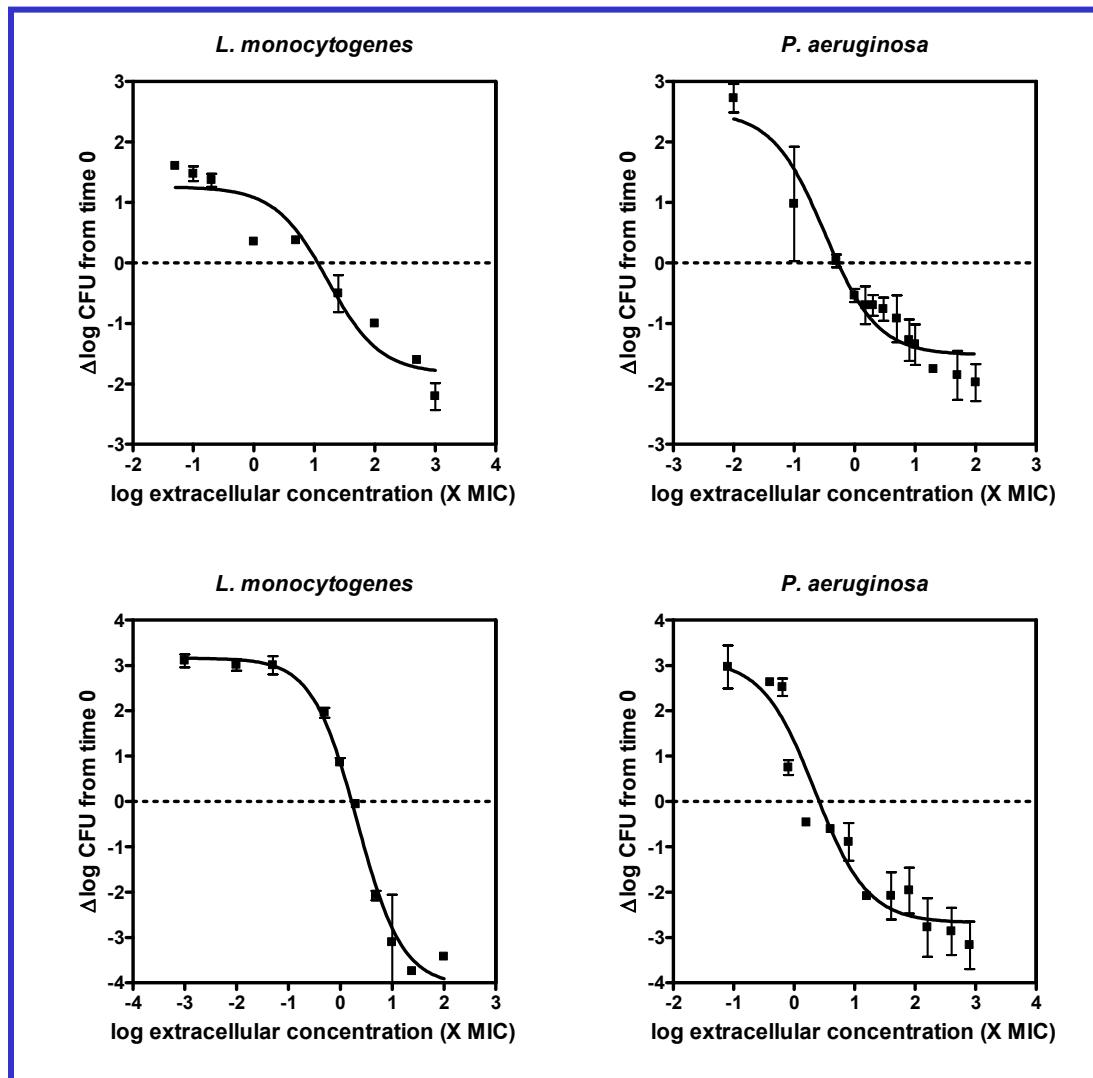
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not associated
with lysosomes
after 8 h
(in epithelial cells)



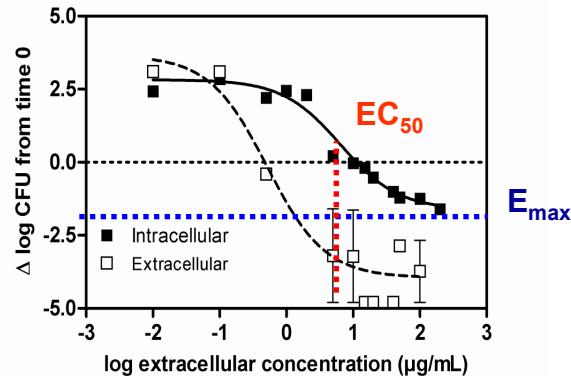
Can we do better ?



"You are completely free to carry out whatever research you want, so long as you come to these conclusions."

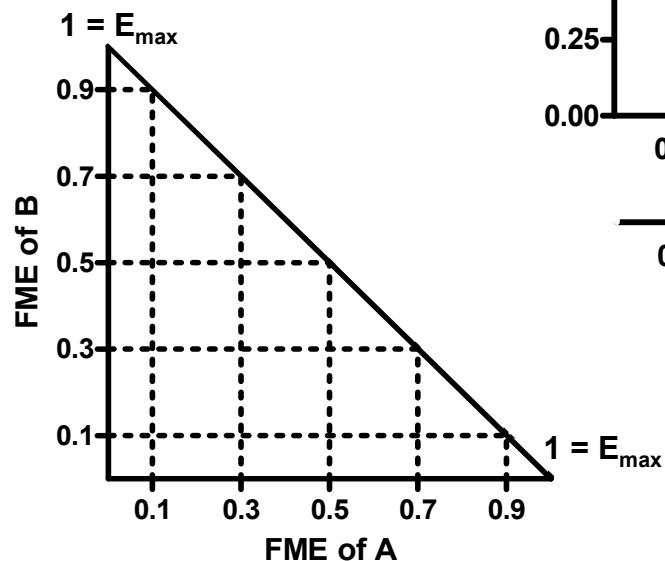
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Antibiotic combinations

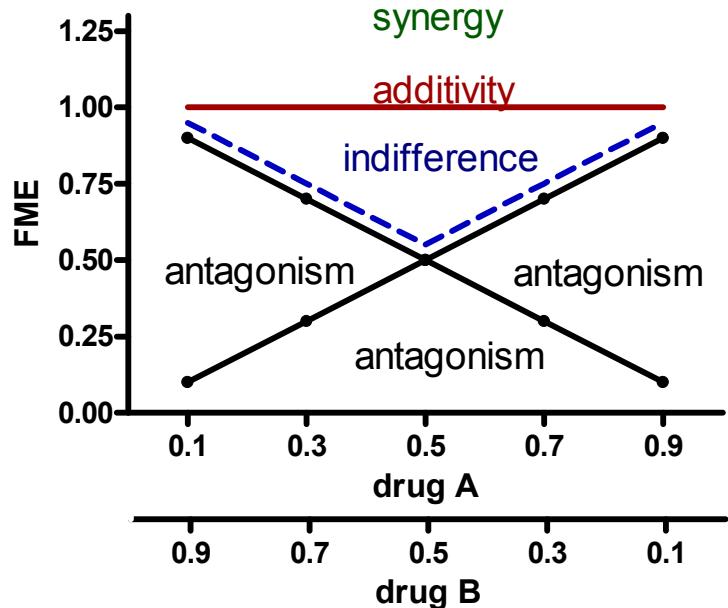


$$C_A = \frac{\text{FME}_A \cdot \text{EC}_{50A}}{1 - \text{FME}_A}$$

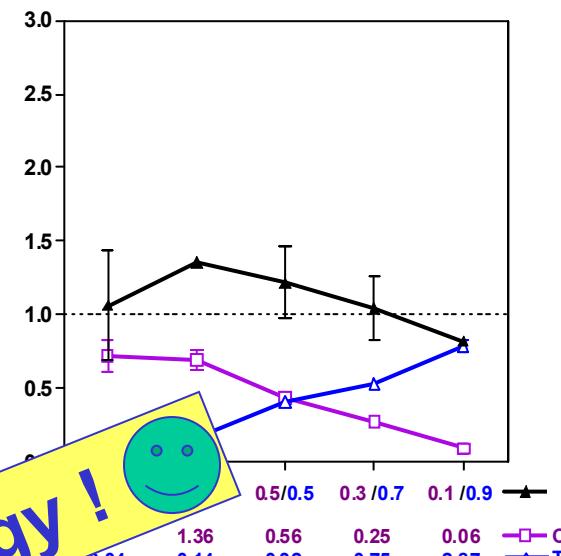
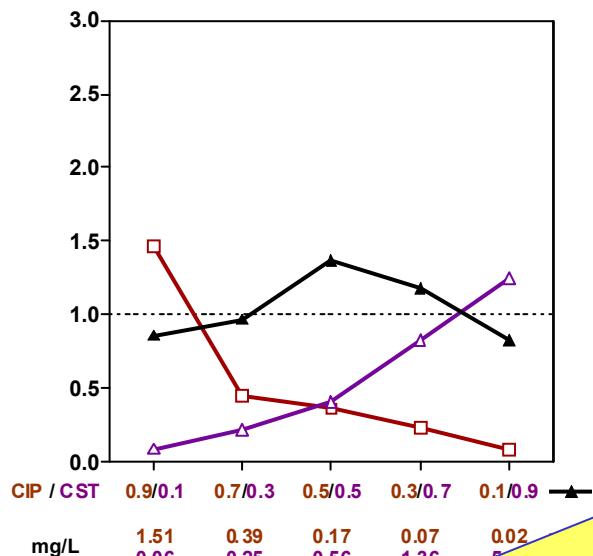
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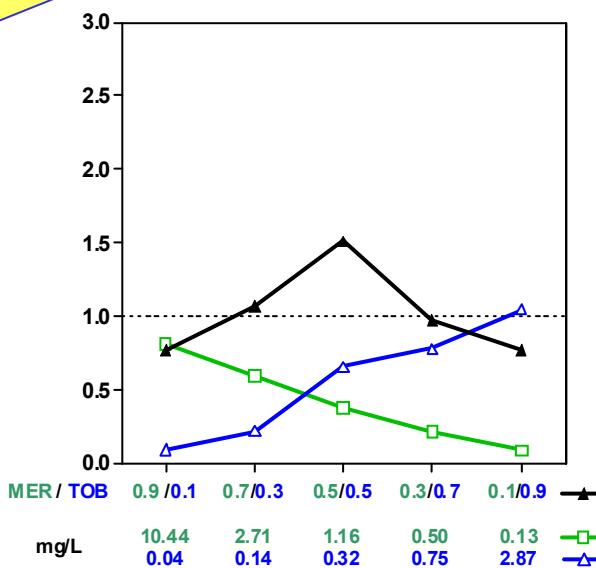
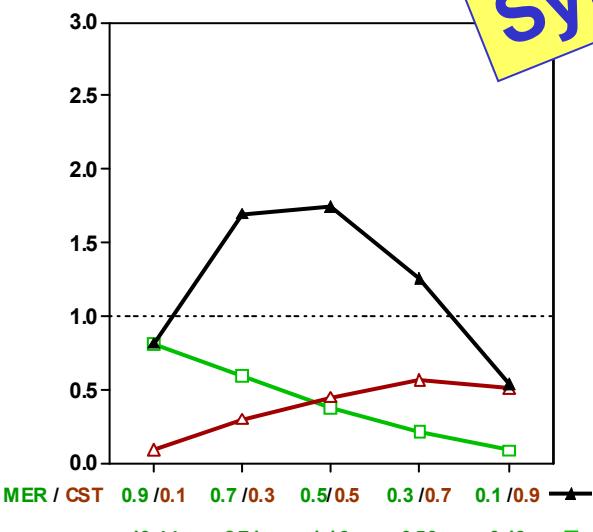
$$\text{FME}_{\text{comb.}} = \text{FME}_A + \text{FME}_B = 1$$



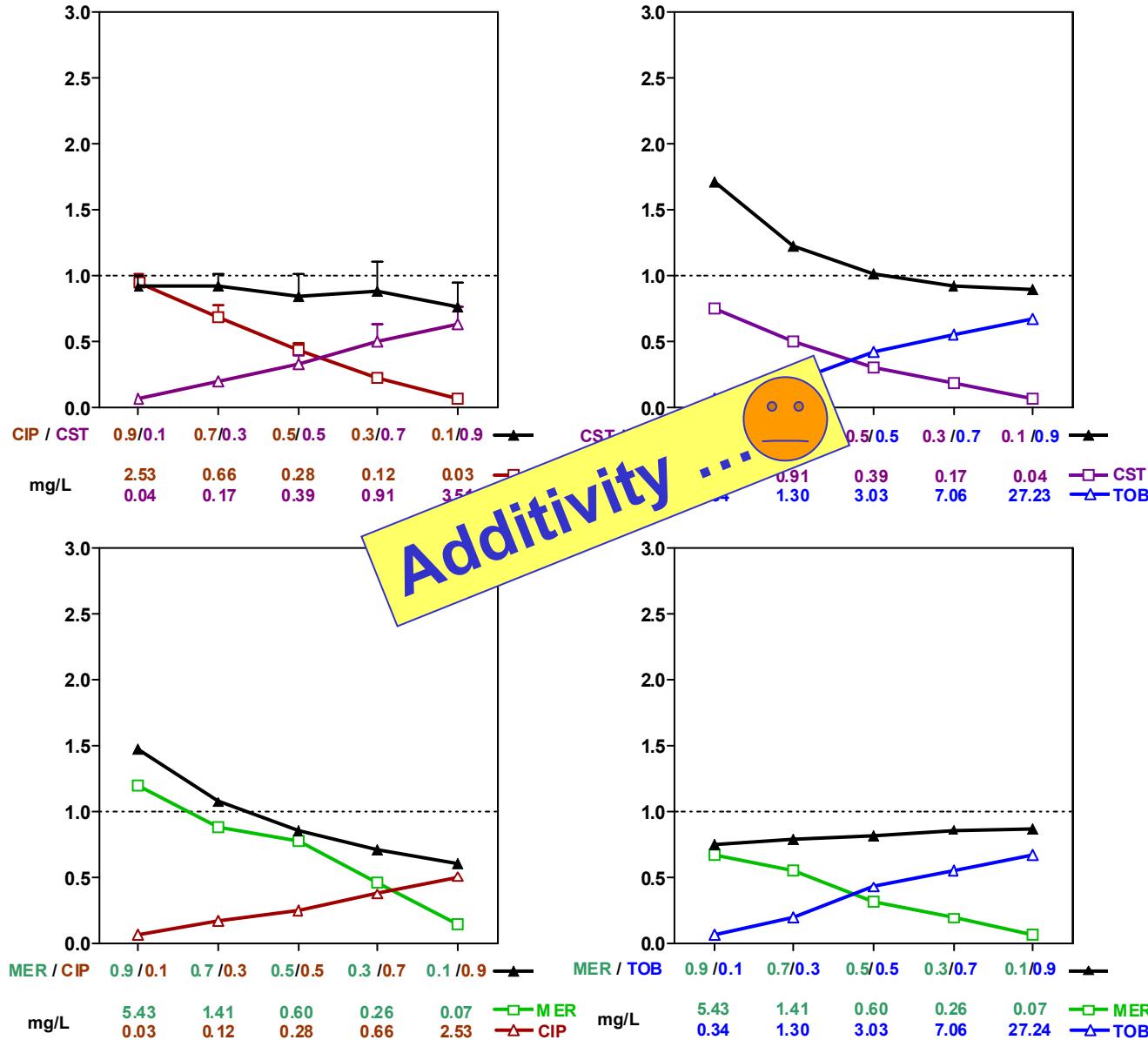
Combinations against extracellular *P. aeruginosa*



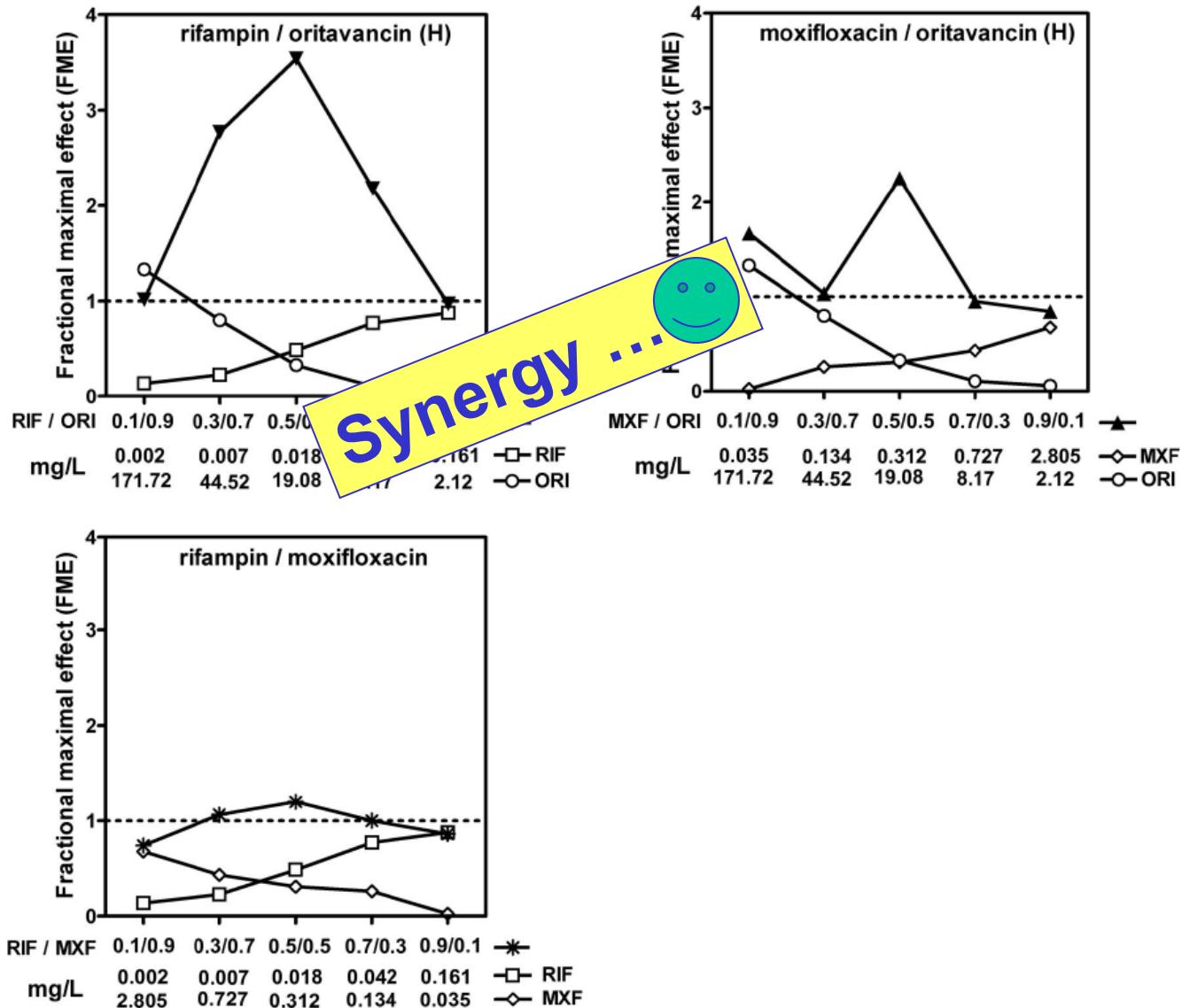
Synergy !



Combinations against intracellular *P. aeruginosa*



Combinations against intracellular *S. aureus*



Nguyen et al. *Antimicrob. Ag. Chemother.* (2009) 53:1443-1449

What do these models tell us ?



"THIS STUFF IS A SNAP FOR ME. I USED TO BE A PHARMACIST."

What do these models tell us ?

Now, I know how
to catch them !

- high intracellular biodisponibility
- 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 defence mechanisms



Use of these models to position new molecules

Guidance for Industry

Microbiological Data for Systemic Antibacterial Drug Products — Development, Analysis, and Presentation

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"That must be the new miracle drug."

C. Intracellular Antimicrobial Concentration Assessment

The ability of an antibacterial drug product to achieve significant intracellular concentrations may have clinical importance when the target organism can reside within the cell (e.g., *Listeria*, *Chlamydophila*, *Legionella*). In situations where the antimicrobial drug product is intended to treat infections caused by microorganisms that reside within the cell, sponsors should provide data on the drug product's ability to penetrate into host cells and demonstrate the drug product's activity inside the cell against target microorganisms.

Take home message

1. identify your target
2. choose the right weapon

you may avoid serious problems ...



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