

Pharmacokinetics, pharmacodynamics and toxicodynamics: how to boost efficacy, reduce toxicity, and mitigate resistance (with focus on aminoglycosides and oxazolidinones)

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- What about resistance ?

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what the
hell is this ?

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***"Frapper vite et
frapper fort"***

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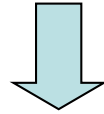
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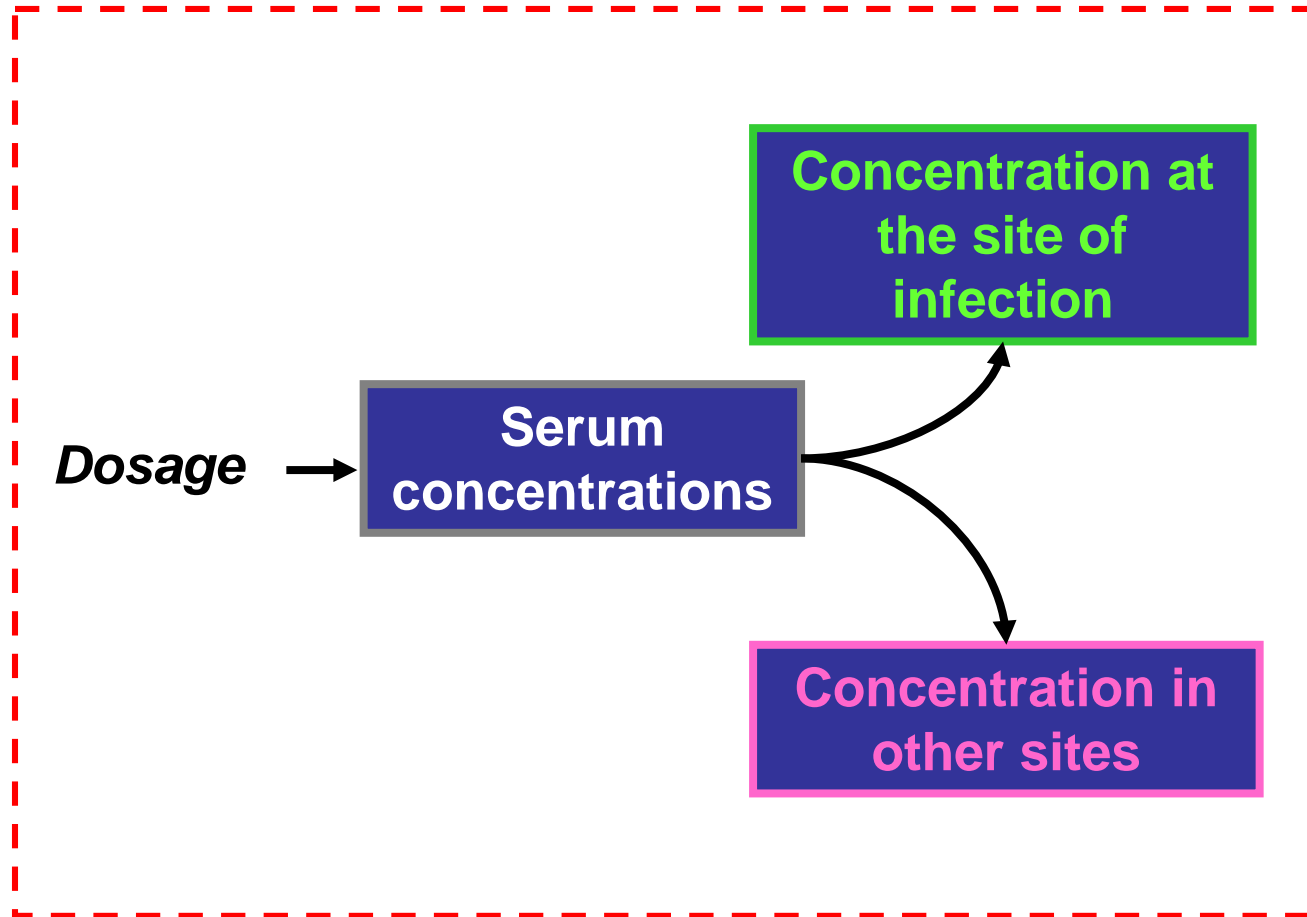
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- **NOW, what will be the correct dose and schedule ?**
 - for efficacy ... MIC ? above ? how much ? how long ?
 - to prevent emergence of resistance ... MIC ? sub-populations ?
 - to avoid toxicity... C_{\max} , C_{\min} , AUC ?

When you administer a drug...

pharmacokinetics *



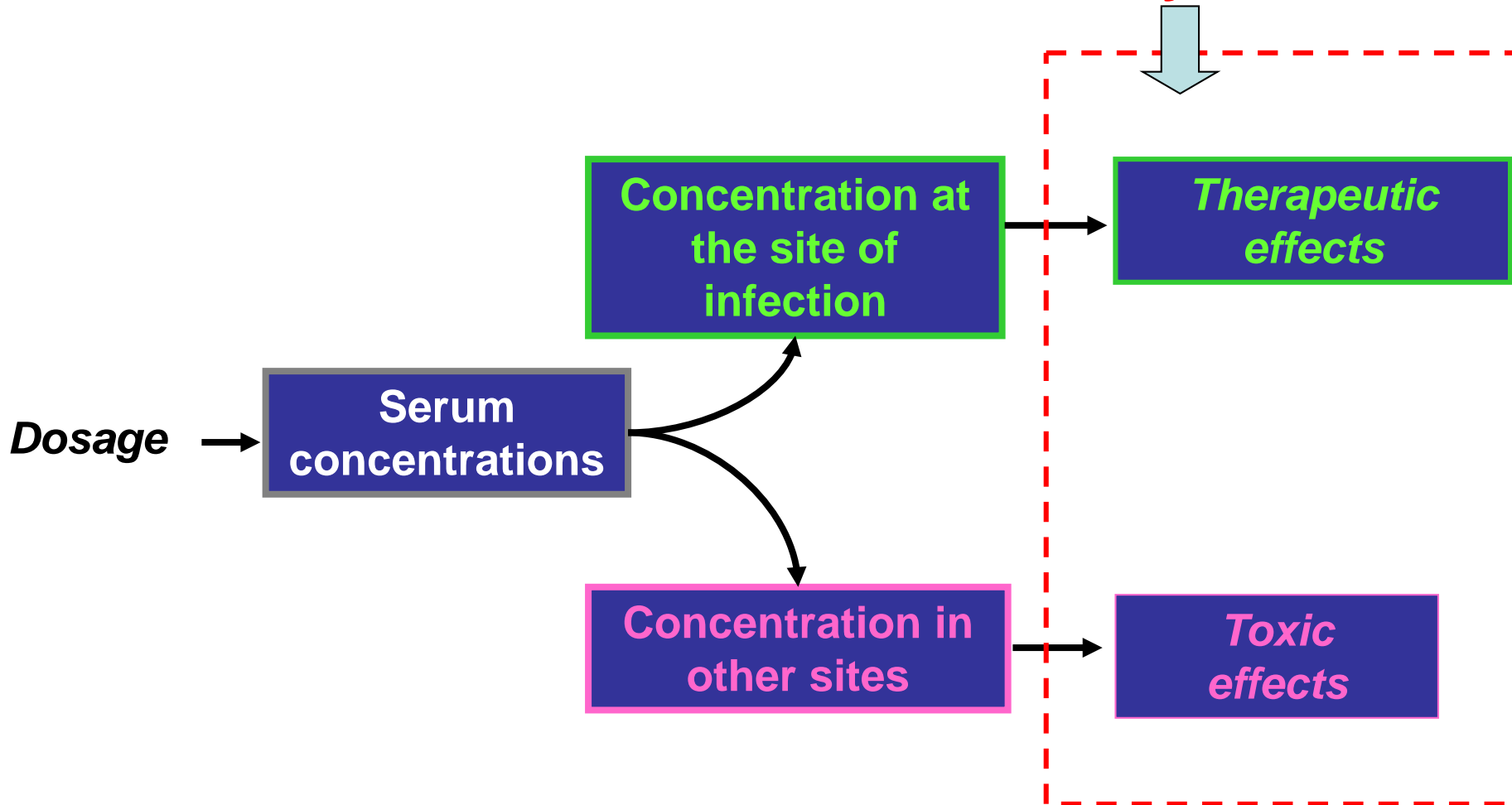
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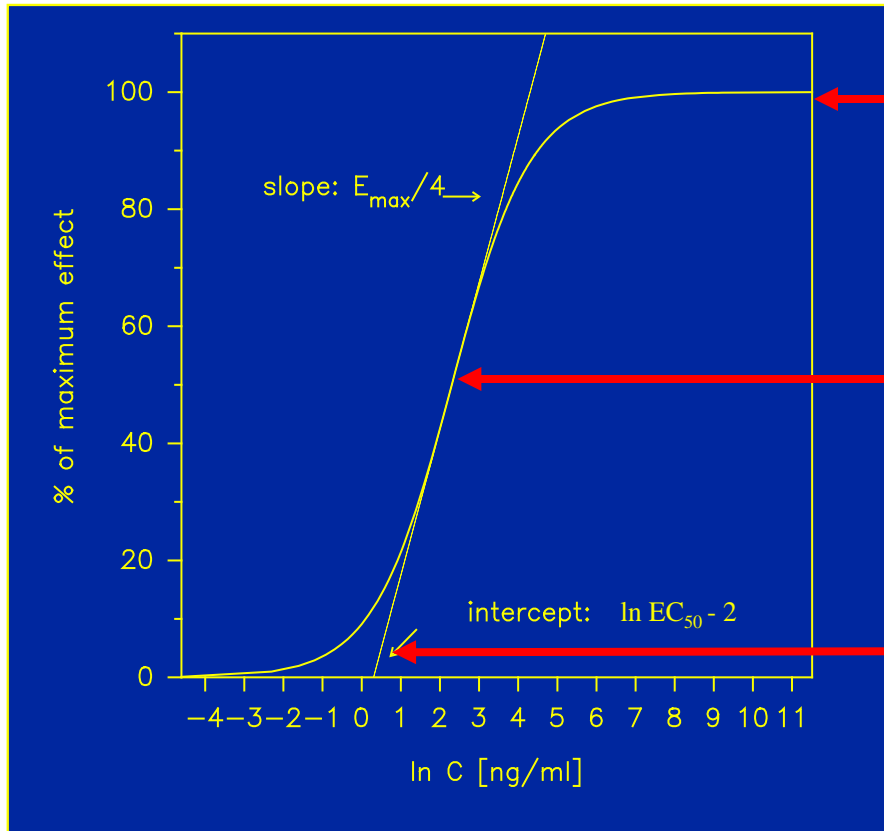
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pharmacodynamics
toxicodynamics *



Let us first concentrate on dynamics...



E_{max}

Maximal effect

this is your goal
of efficacy

E_{50%}

this is your goal
of toxicity

E_{min}

Minimal effect

$$E = \frac{E_{max} \times C^n}{EC_{50}^n + C^n}$$

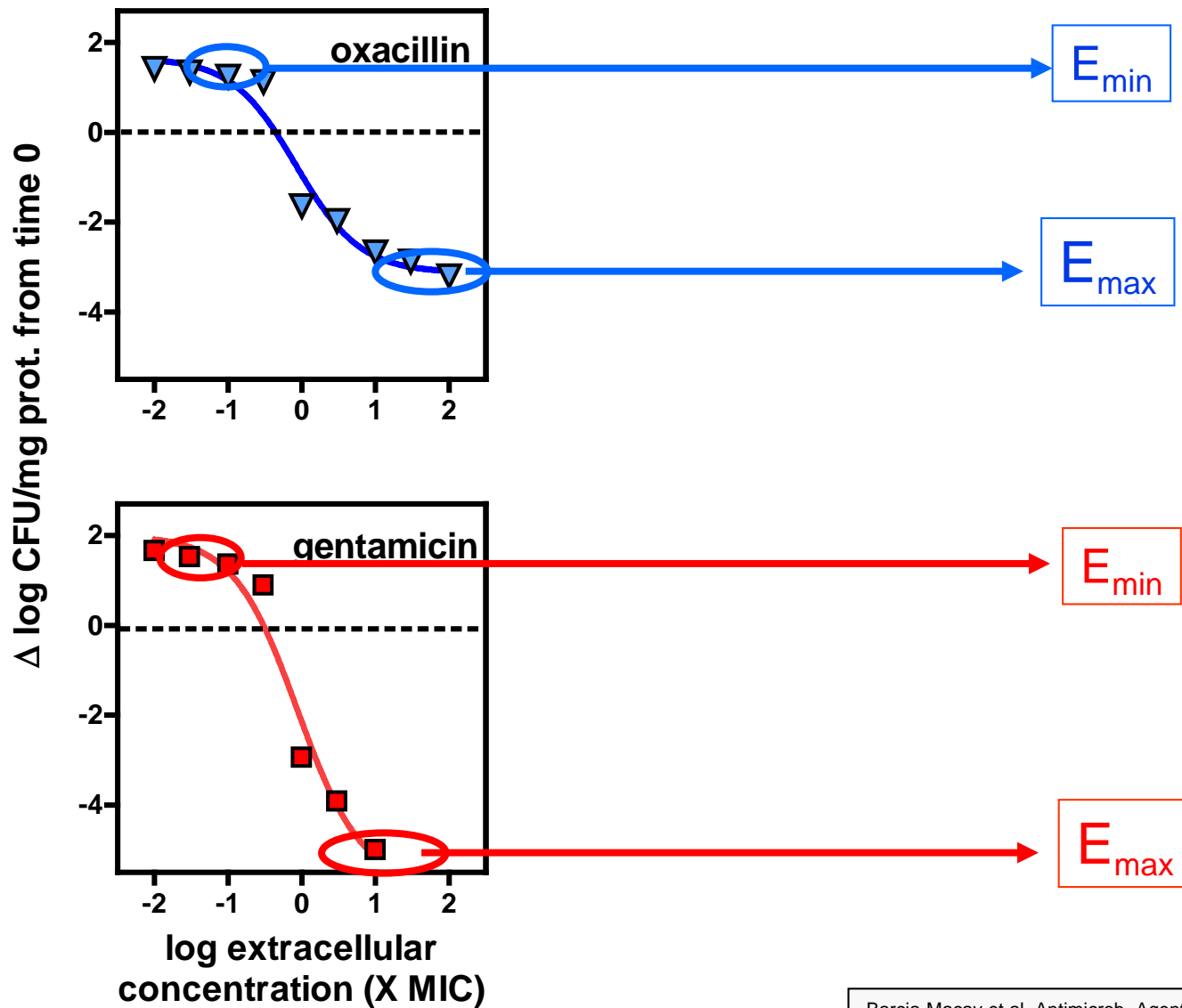
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who were
those guys ?



Here is what you (apparently) get for all antibiotics...

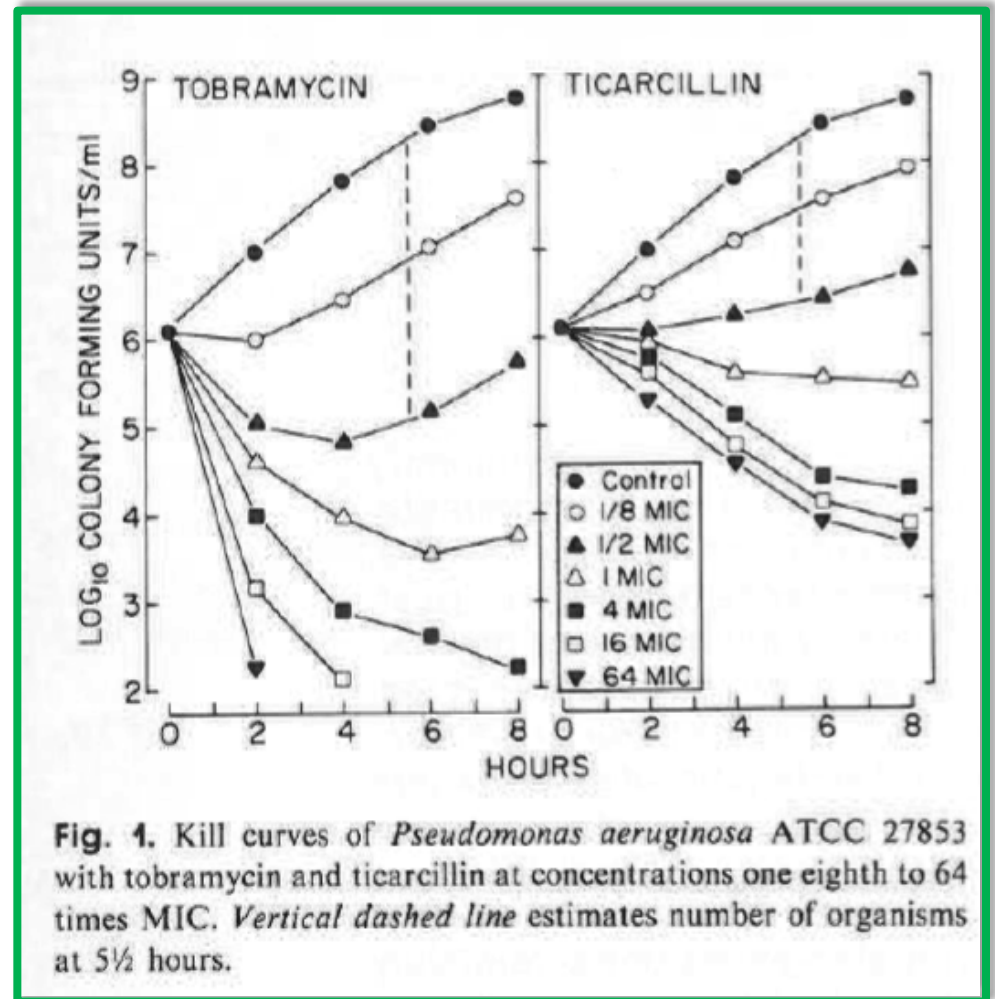


Barcia-Macay et al. Antimicrob. Agents Chemother. 2006; 50(3):841-51

But there are differences ...

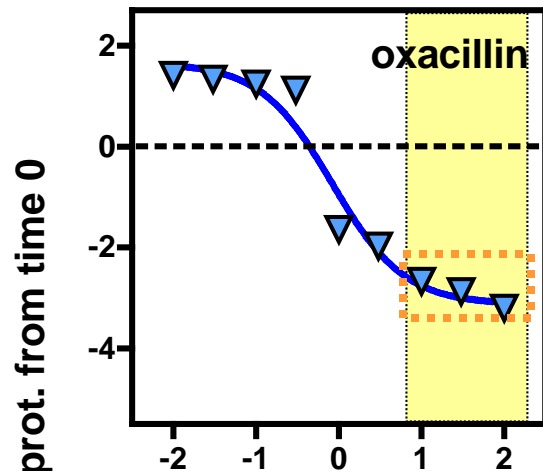
Within a 1/8 to 64 x MIC concentration range

- **β -lactams** (ticarcillin, e.g.) show **limited dose-dependence**...
- **aminoglycosides** (tobramycin, e.g.) show **marked dose-dependence**



Introducing pharmacokinetics...

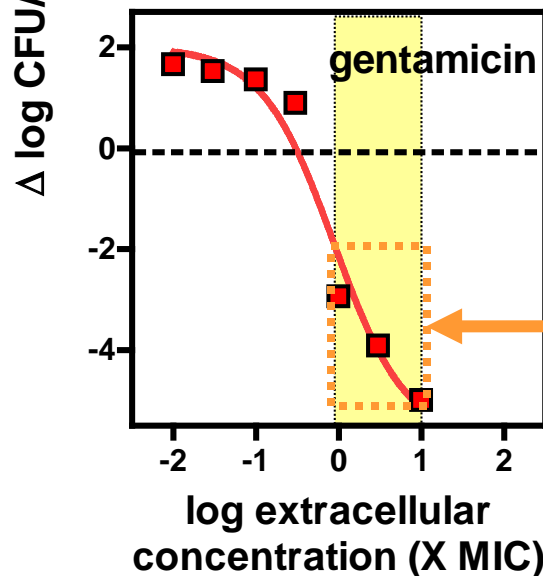
S. aureus



weak concentration-dependence
over $C_{\min}-C_{\max}$

→ time (above the MIC) becomes the
predominant predicting index in the
clinics

$C_{\min}-C_{\max}$



marked concentration dependence
over $C_{\min}-C_{\max}$

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A first additional factor: the post-antibiotic effect

Postantibiotic effects

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A. *in vitro*

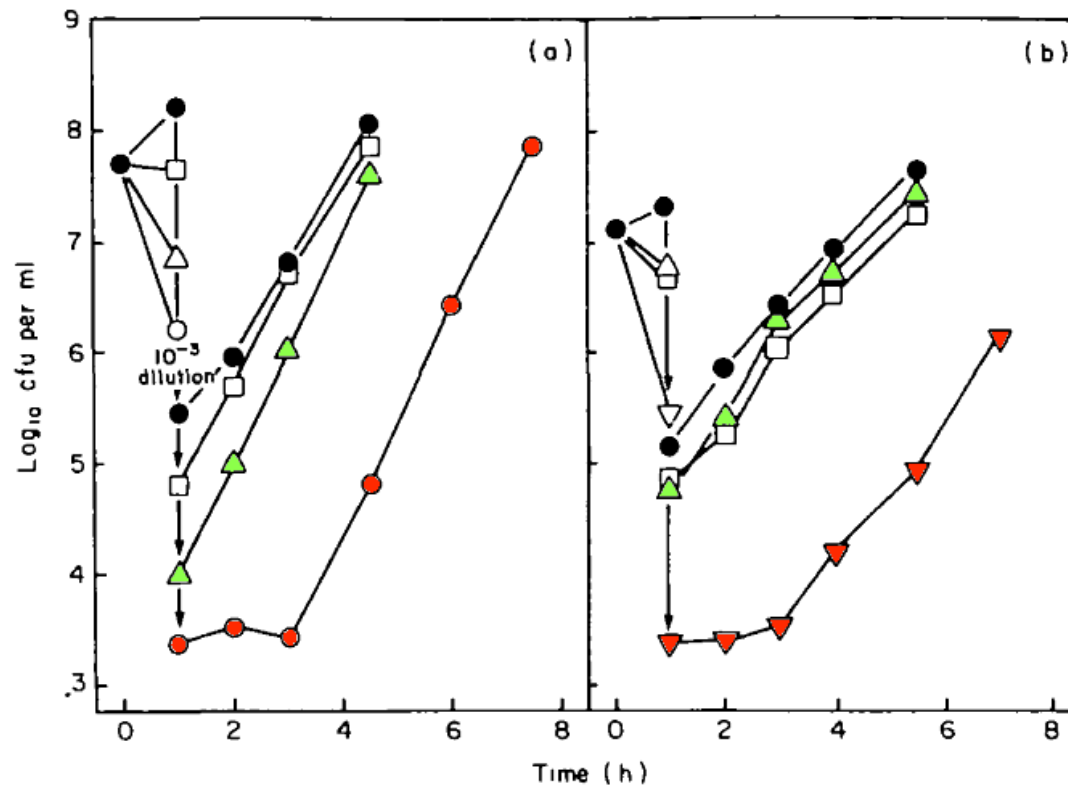


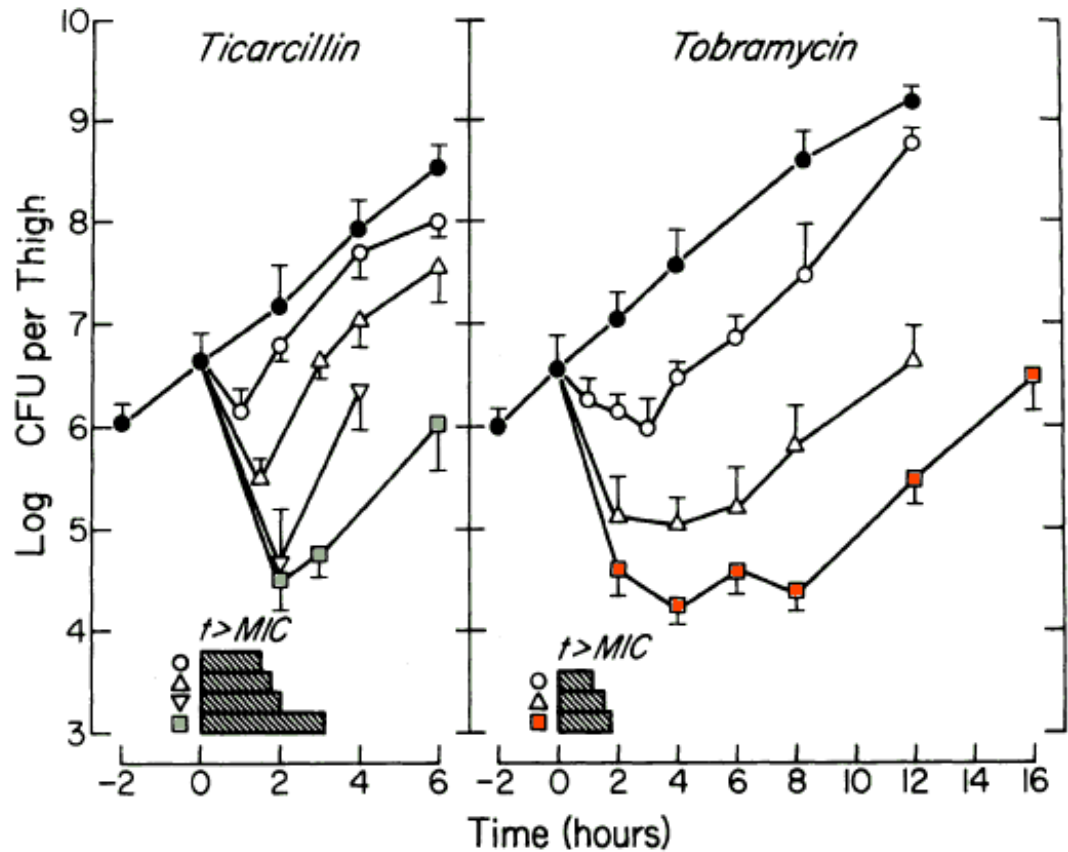
Figure 3. Growth curves for *K. pneumoniae* UCLA 5166 (a) and a clinical strain of *Ps. aeruginosa* (b) following 1-h exposures to β -lactam and aminoglycoside antibiotics at 4- times the MIC ●, Control, □, cefoperazone, ▲, moxalactam; ●, tobramycin, ▼, gentamicin

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B. *in vivo*

In Vivo PAE

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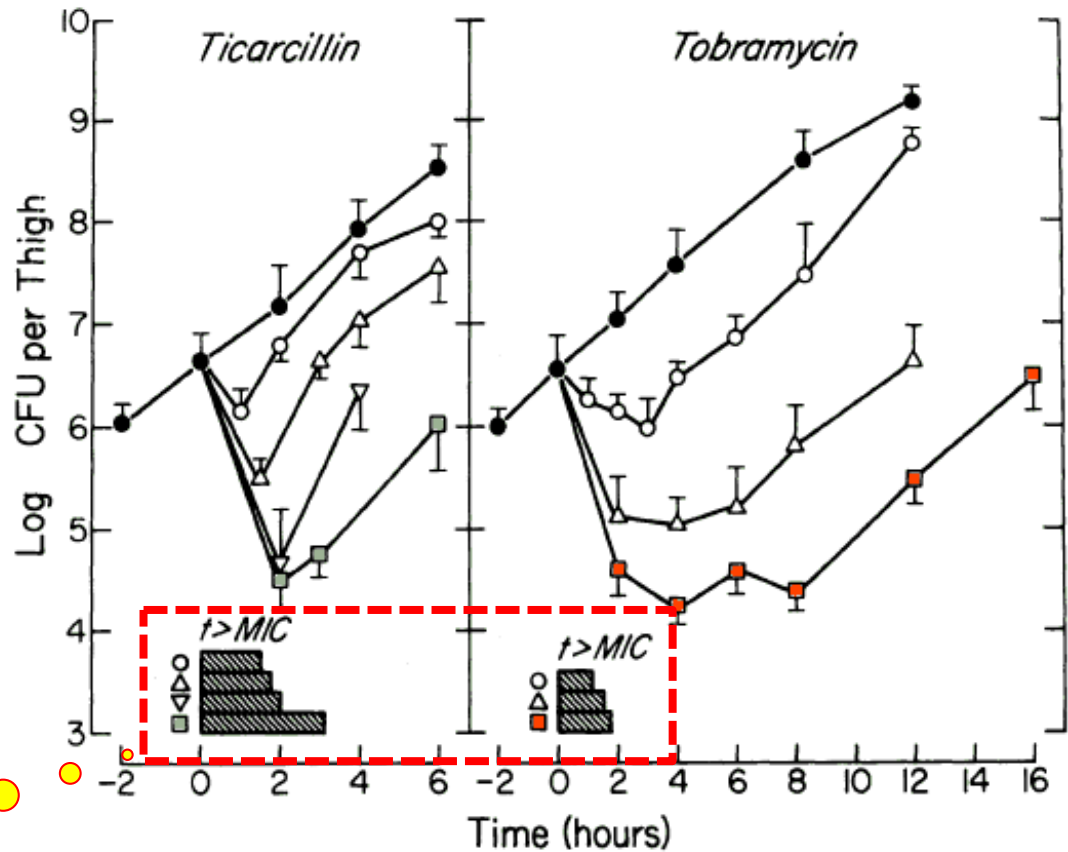


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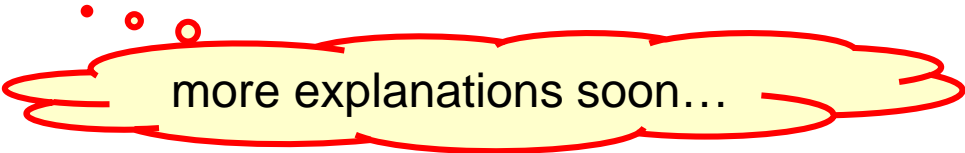
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Pay attention
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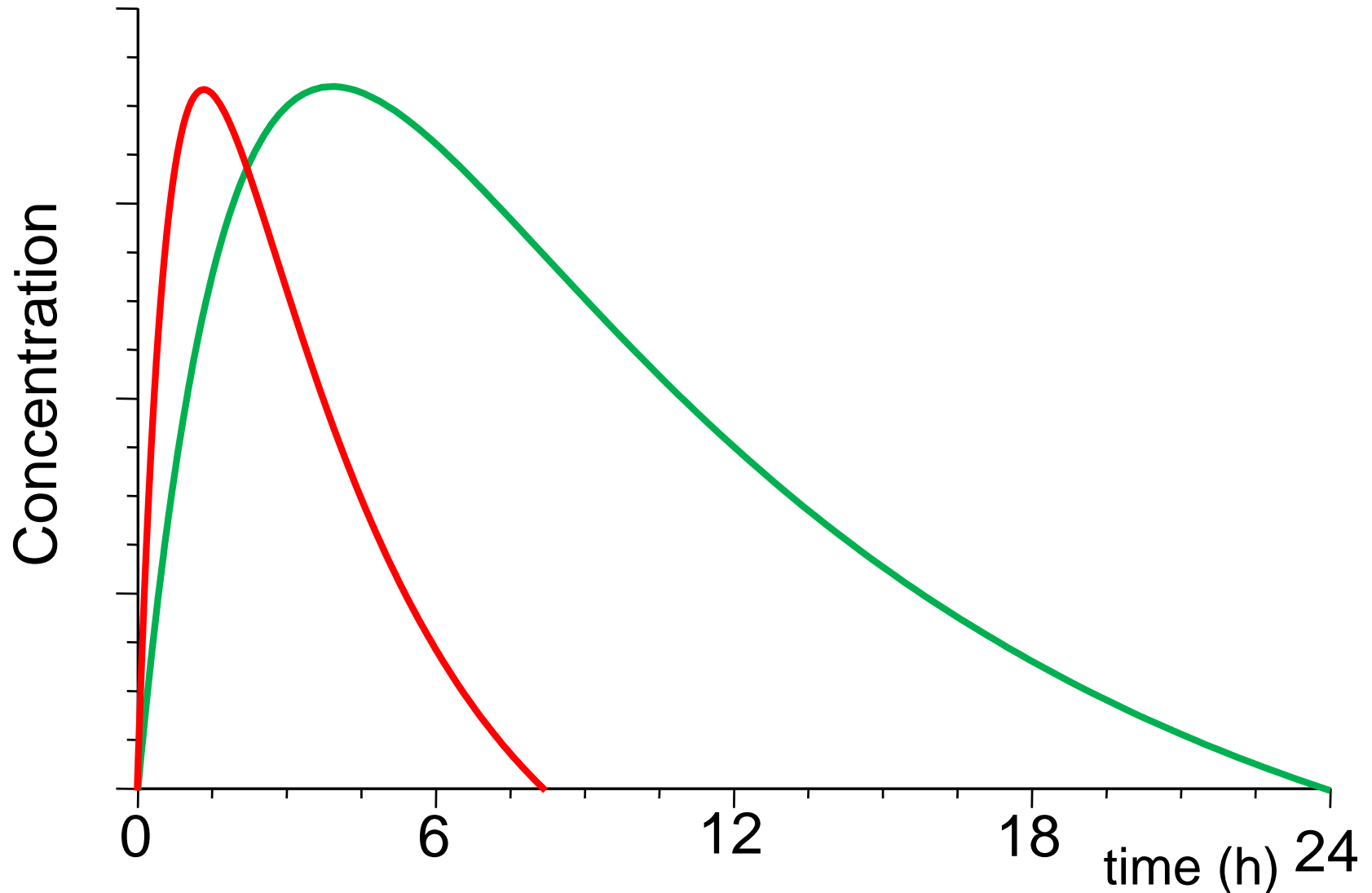
As a result: two (first) main PK/PF patterns for efficacy

- Pattern #1: antibiotics that are primarily time-dependent
 - β -lactams (all)
 - goal: maintain concentration above the MIC as long as needed...
 - advice to clinicians: frequent administrations (or even continuous infusion)
- Pattern #2: antibiotics that are primarily concentration-dependent
 - aminoglycosides
 - goal: reach a sufficient C_{\max}/MIC ratio (8-10 x)
 - advice to clinicians: use discrete IV administration ... and **infrequently** if post-antibiotic effect ...

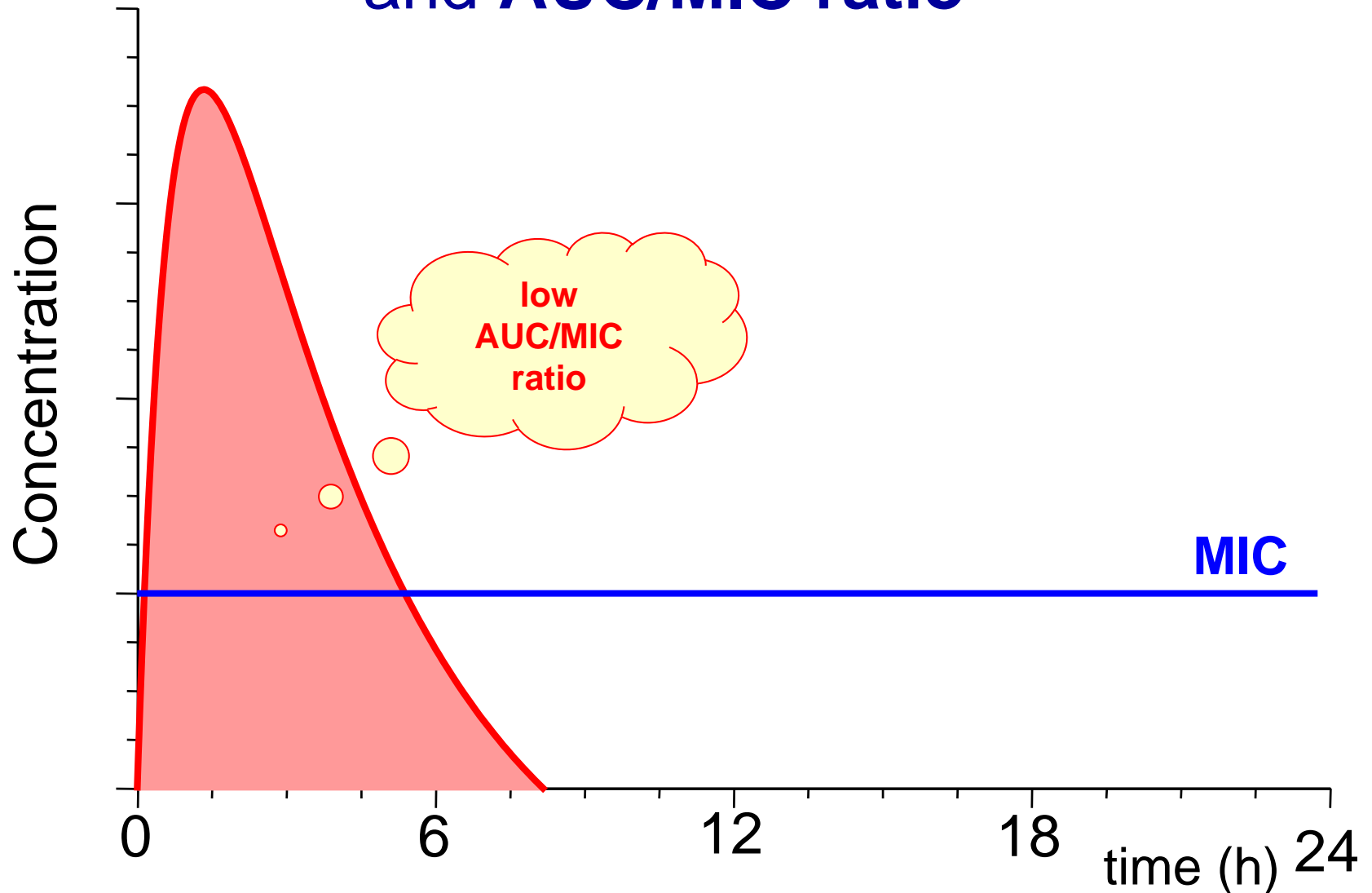


more explanations soon...

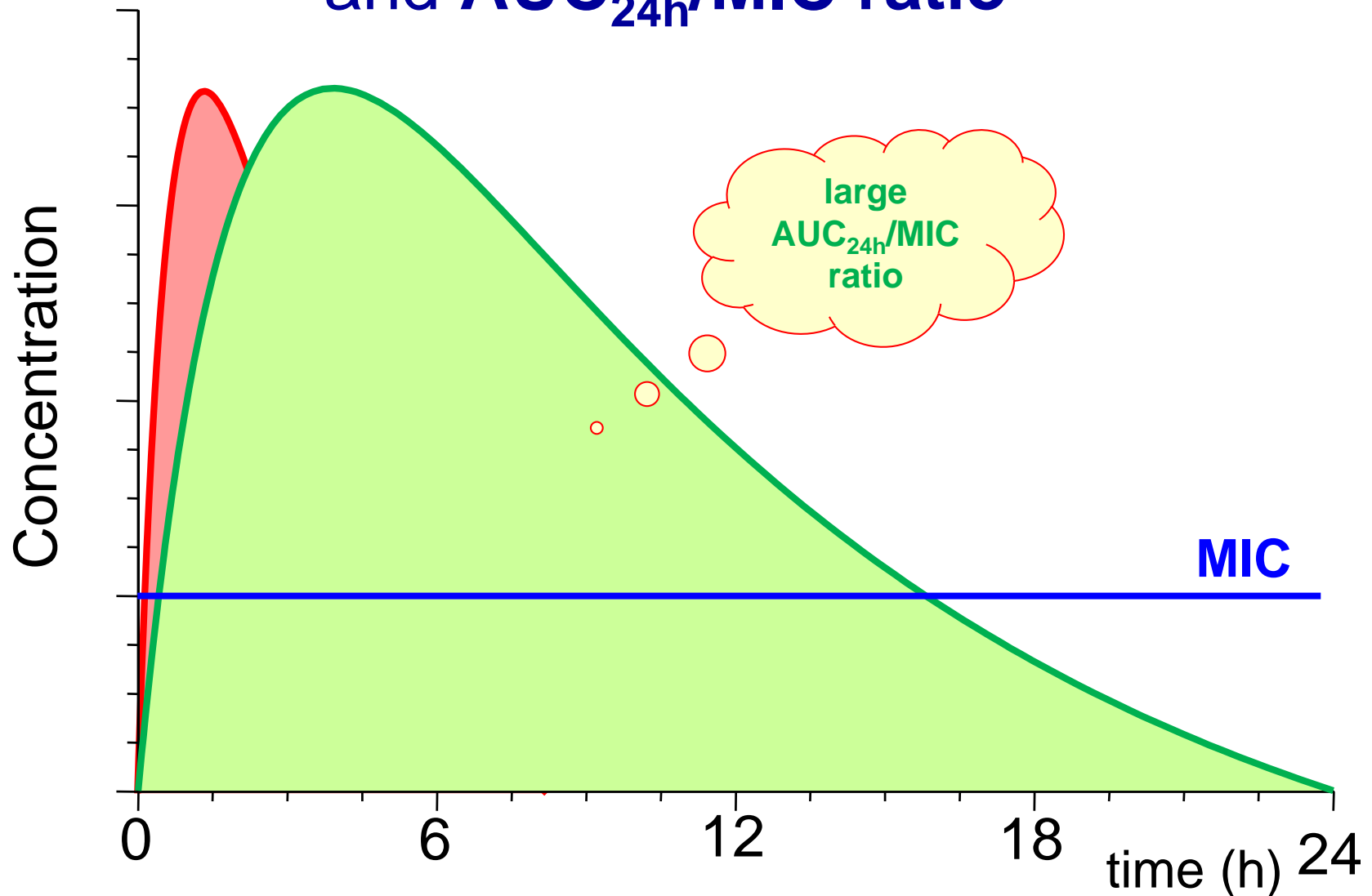
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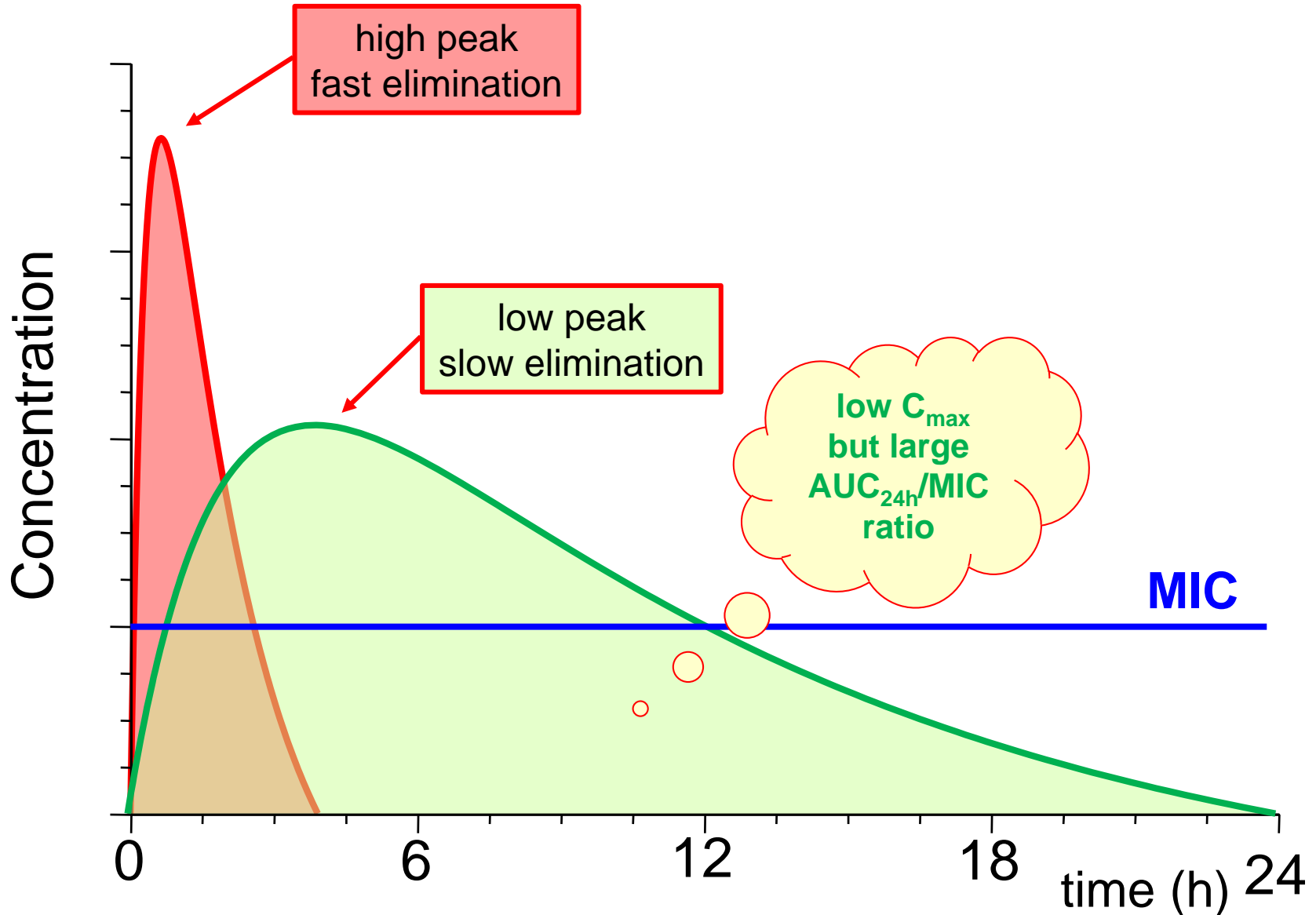
A second additional factor: antibiotic half-life and **AUC/MIC** ratio



A second additional factor: antibiotic half-life and AUC_{24h}/MIC ratio

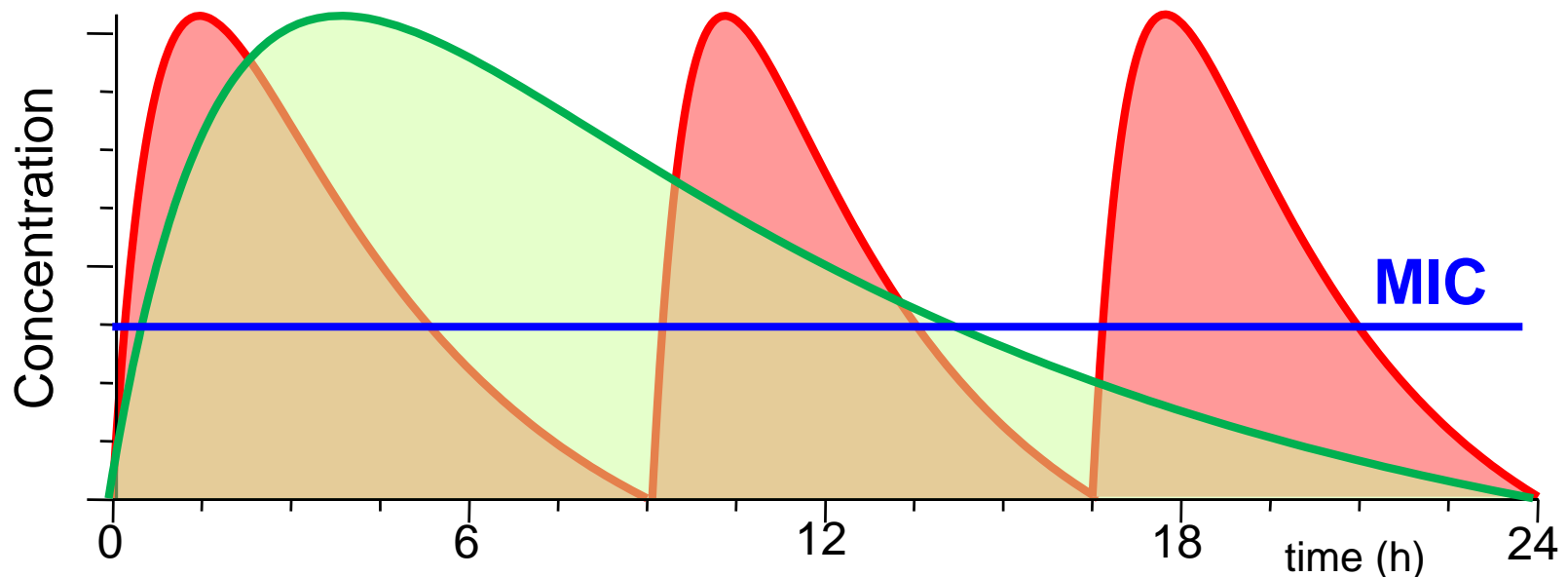


AUC_{24h}/MIC ratio may become predominant !



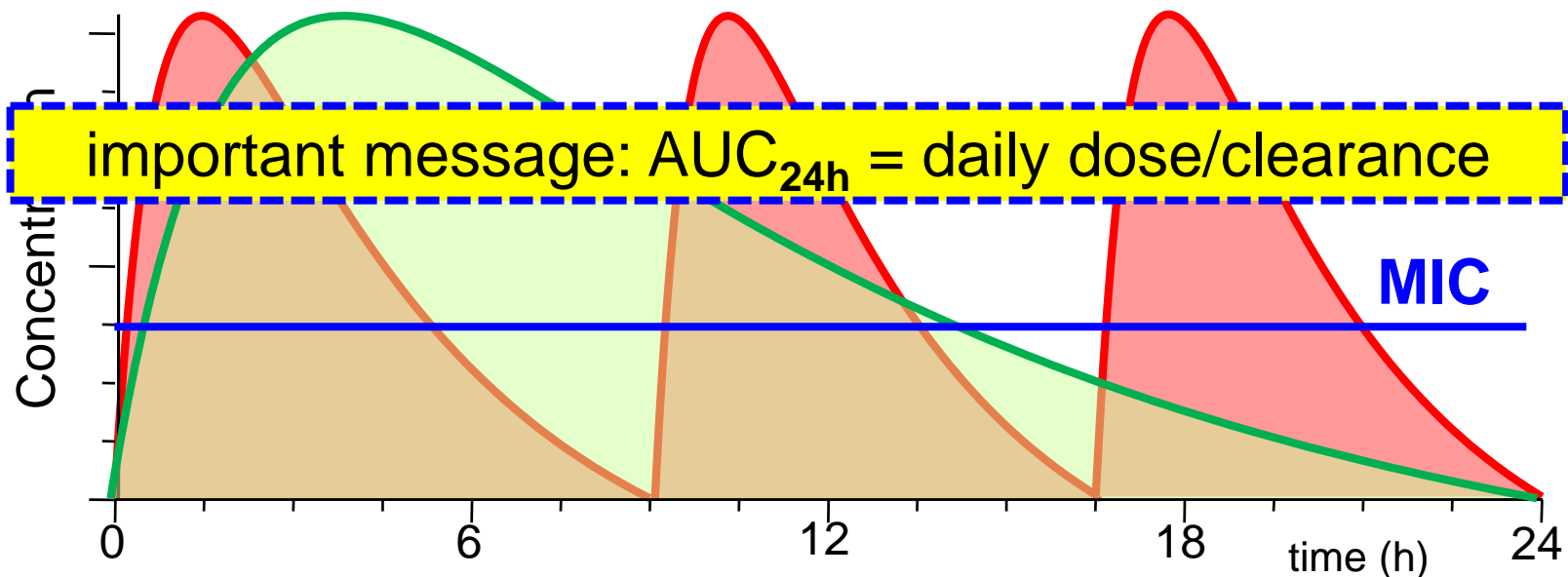
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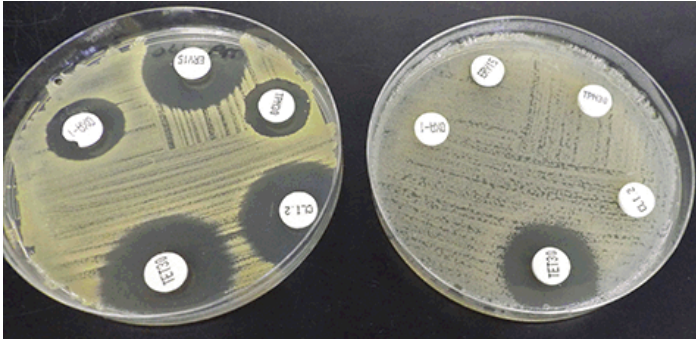
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How do you find which antibiotic follow which pattern ?

- **Main experimental models**
 - *In vitro* dynamic models
 - Animal models
- **Complementary approaches** (not really covered here)
 - Modelling of therapeutic response(s), resistance emergence and development of toxicity
 - Monte-Carlo simulations
 - Target attainment rates (**quick illustration**)

In vitro dynamic models...



moving from static to dynamic ...

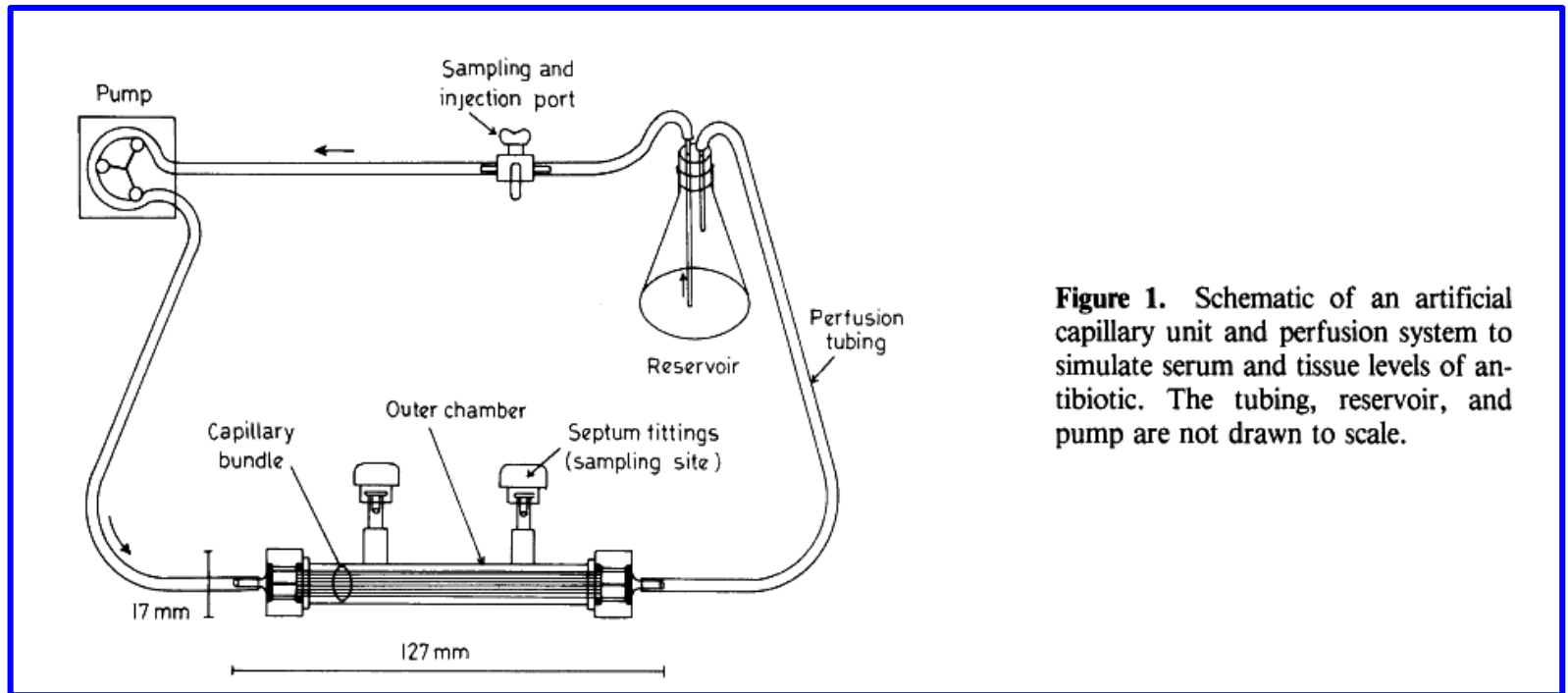
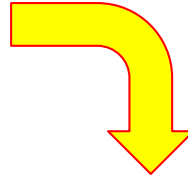
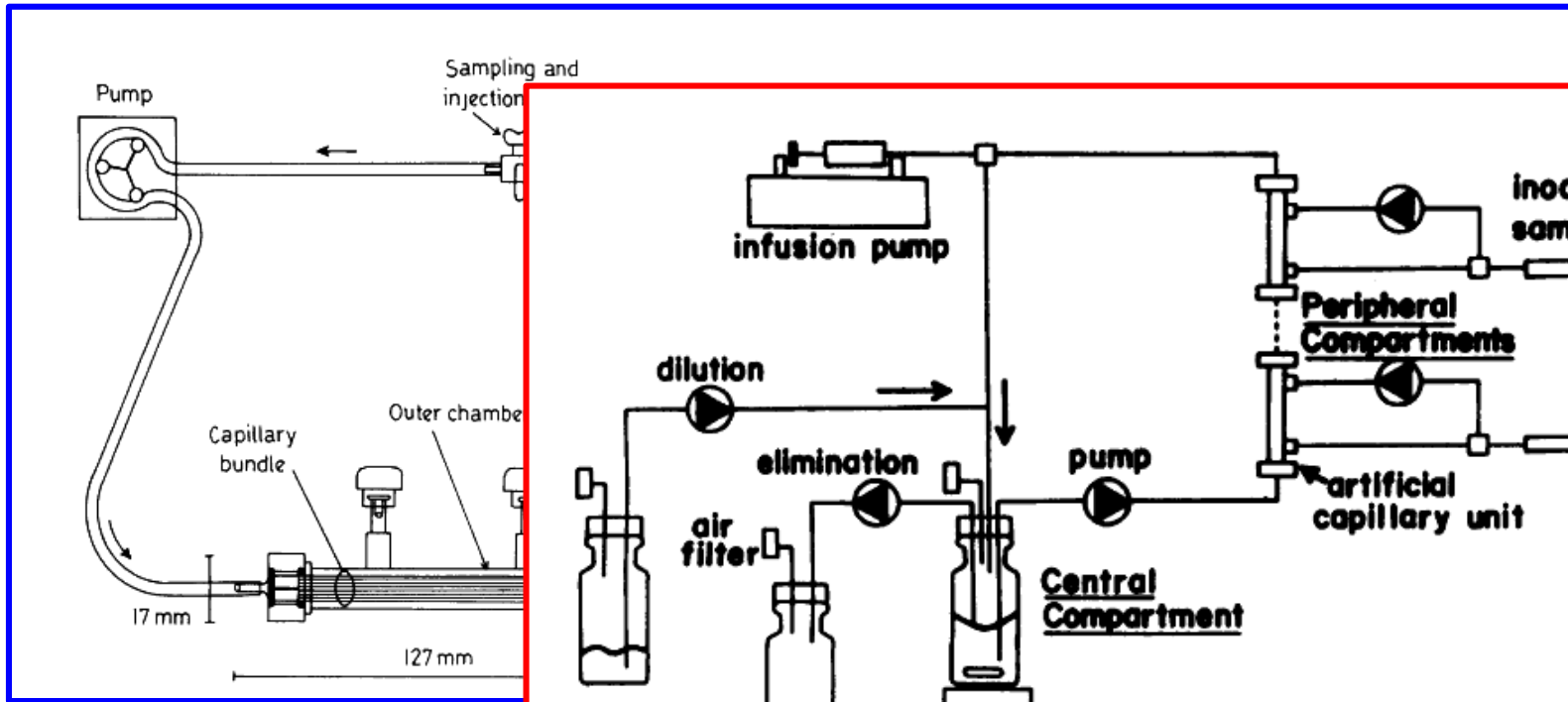


Figure 1. Schematic of an artificial capillary unit and perfusion system to simulate serum and tissue levels of antibiotic. The tubing, reservoir, and pump are not drawn to scale.

In vitro dynamic models



Zinner et al. J Infect Dis. 1981;144:583-7

FIG. 1. Schematic of the two-compartment kinetic model for multiple cultures. Several isolated plastic chambers containing bacteria were placed in series and perfused with antibiotic through selectively permeable artificial capillary bundles. A drug was administered into the central compartment and then exponentially removed due to continuous dilution with drug-free medium.

Blaser et al. Antimicrob Agents Chemother. 1985;27:343-9 - PMID 3922294

In vitro dynamic models: an aminoglycoside...

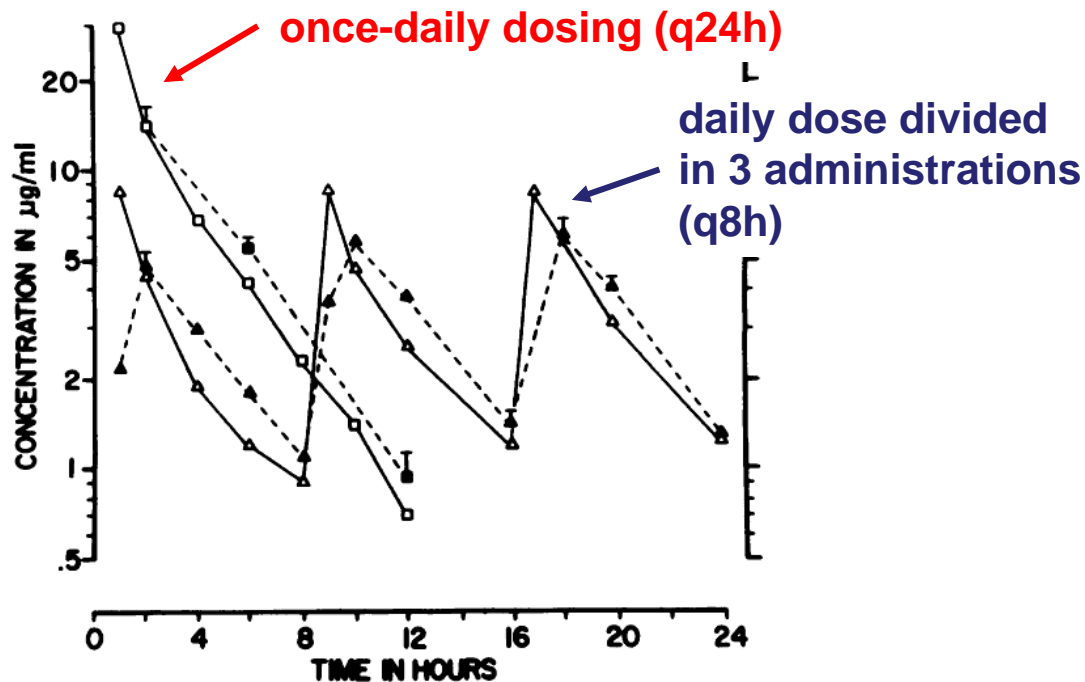


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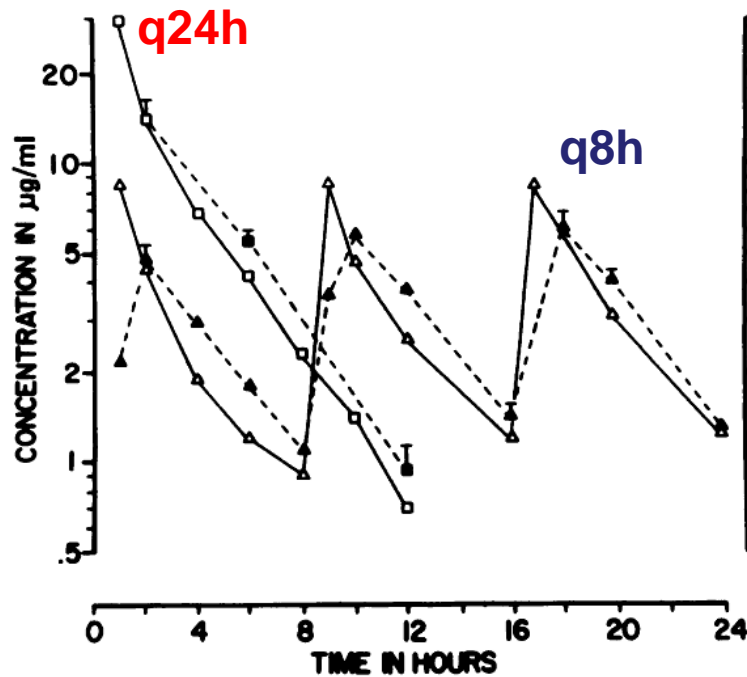


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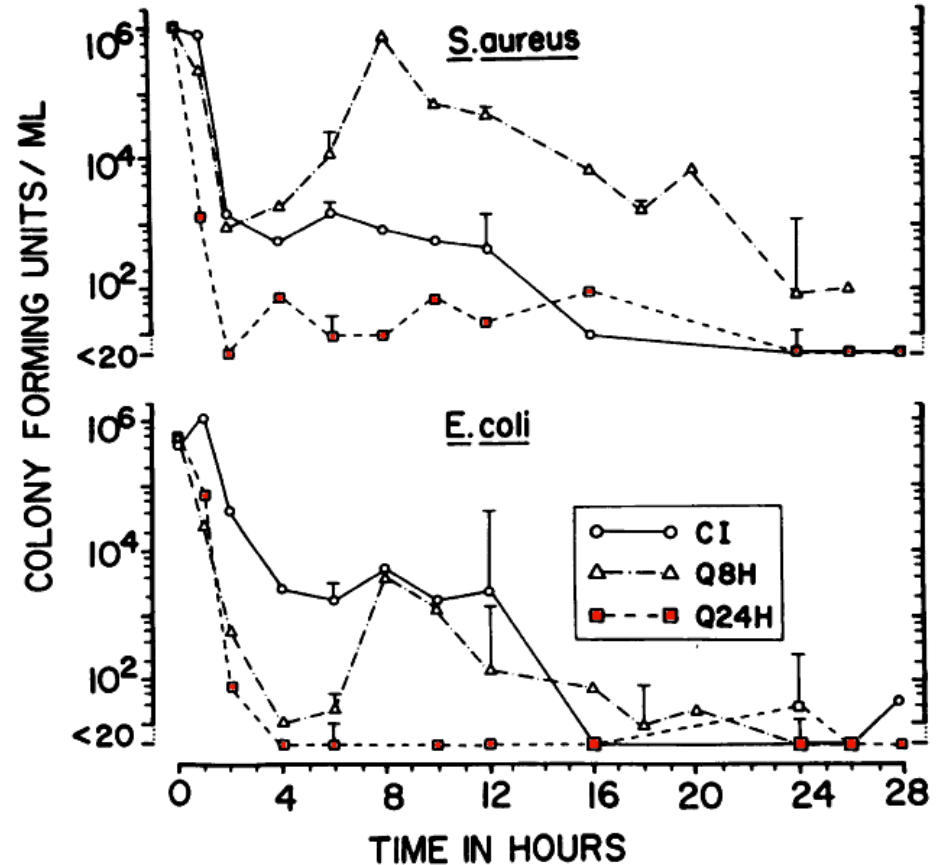


FIG. 4. Bactericidal effect of netilmicin on *S. aureus* (top panel) and *E. coli* (bottom panel). The same daily dose was administered either as a CI or as 60-min infusions q8h or q24h. Geometric means of duplicate experiments were plotted. For clarity, range is shown only for every 6 h.

Animal models...

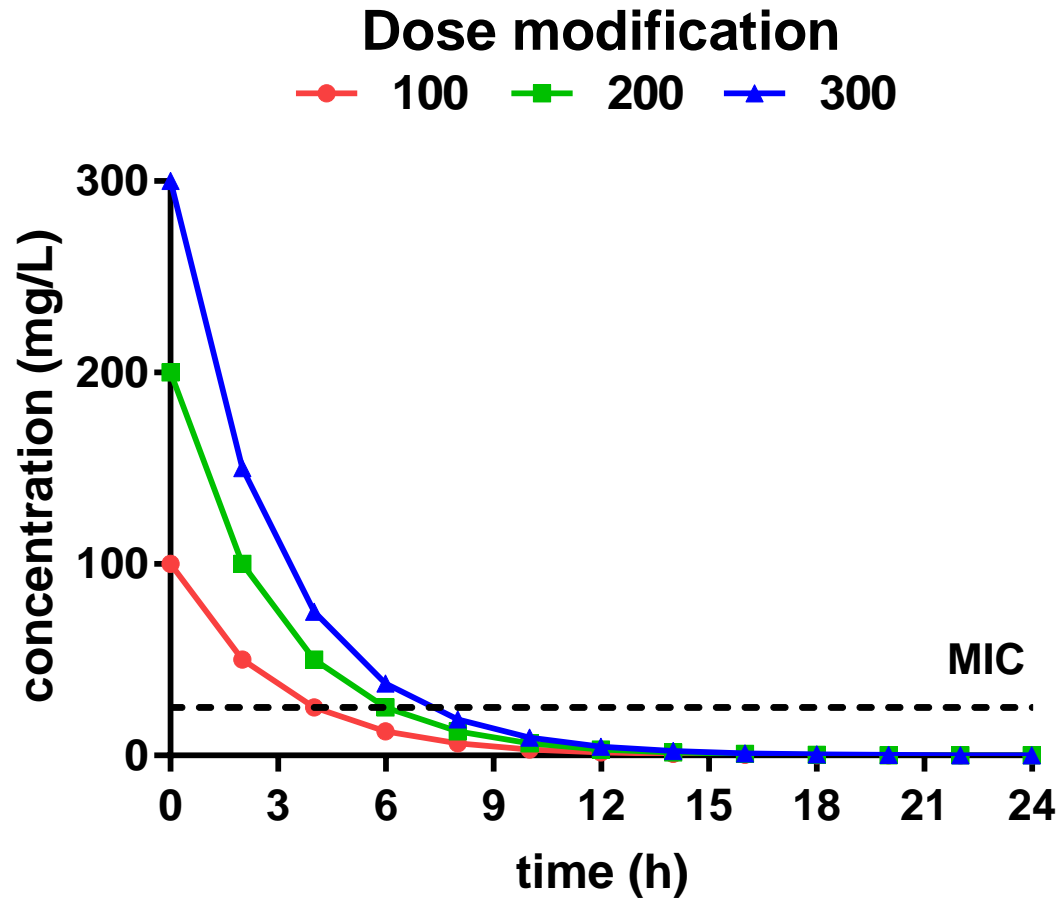
- Neutropenic mice *
 - to allow bacterial growth...
 - to examine the activity of the antibiotic disregarding immune responses (pharmacological investigation)
 - to explore the conditions of both success and failures *
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- Dose fractionation approach
 - to fully dissociate the covariables **
(C_{\max} , $t > \text{MIC}$, $\text{AUC}_{24\text{h}}$)

* non-neutropenic in some situations

** difficult to study in clinical trials

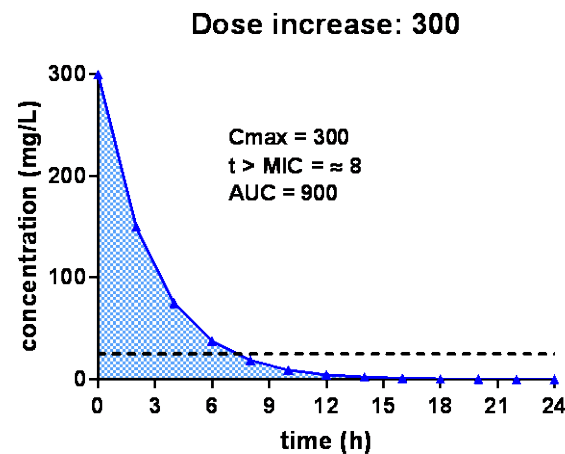
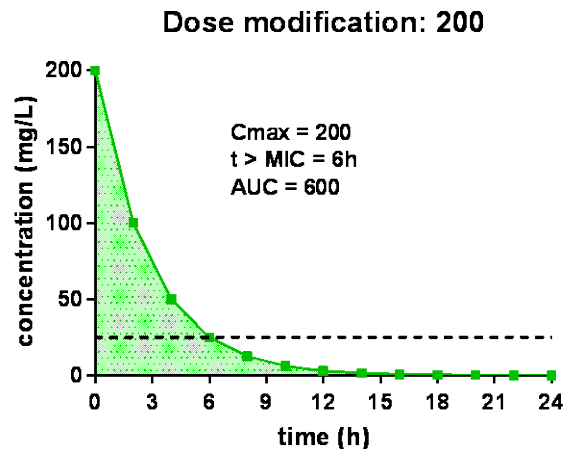
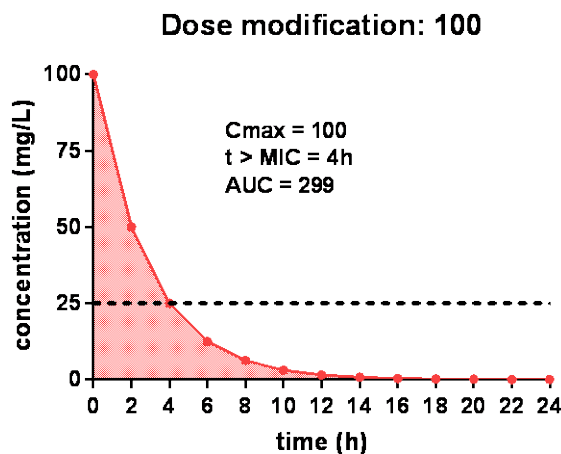
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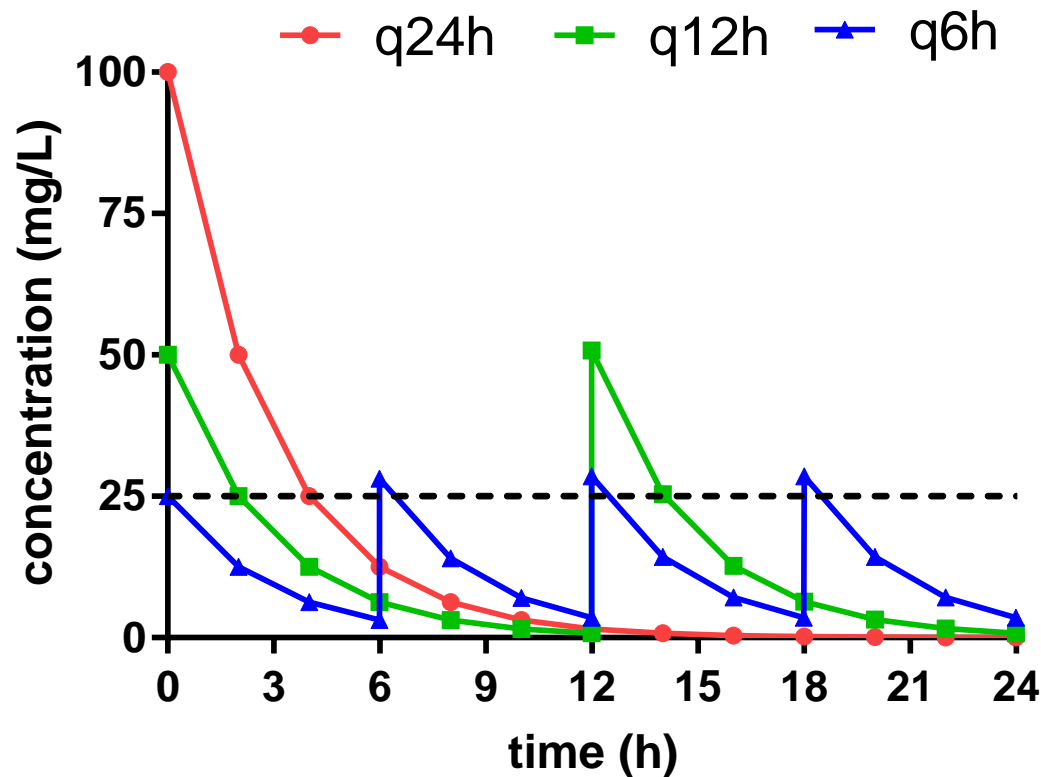


you increase all 3 parameters !

Dissociating the covariables

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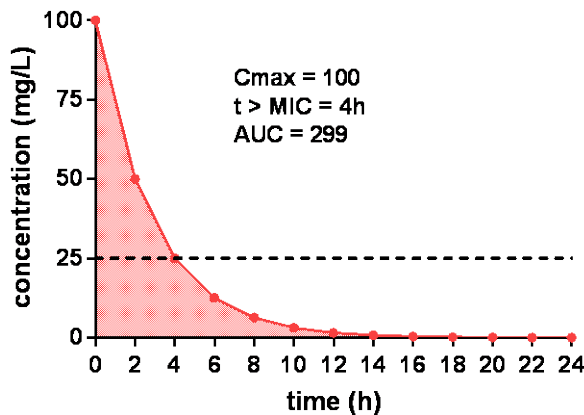
Dose fractionation of the same daily dose



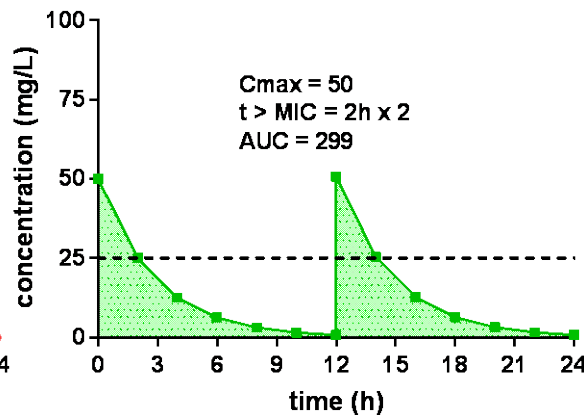
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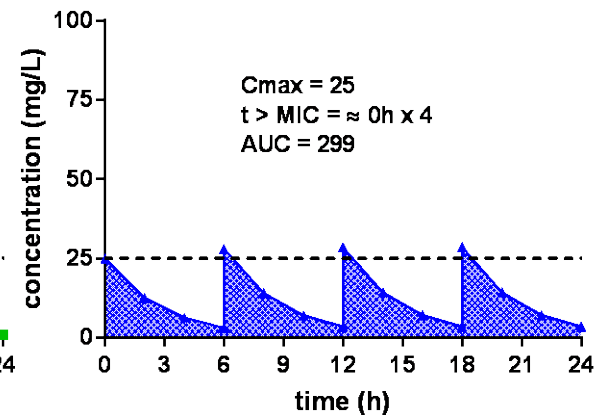
Dose fractionation: q24h



Dose fractionation: q12h



Dose fractionation: q6h



$C_{max} \searrow$
 $t > MIC = \text{and} \searrow$
 $AUC =$

Animal models...

Looking for the index-driving activity

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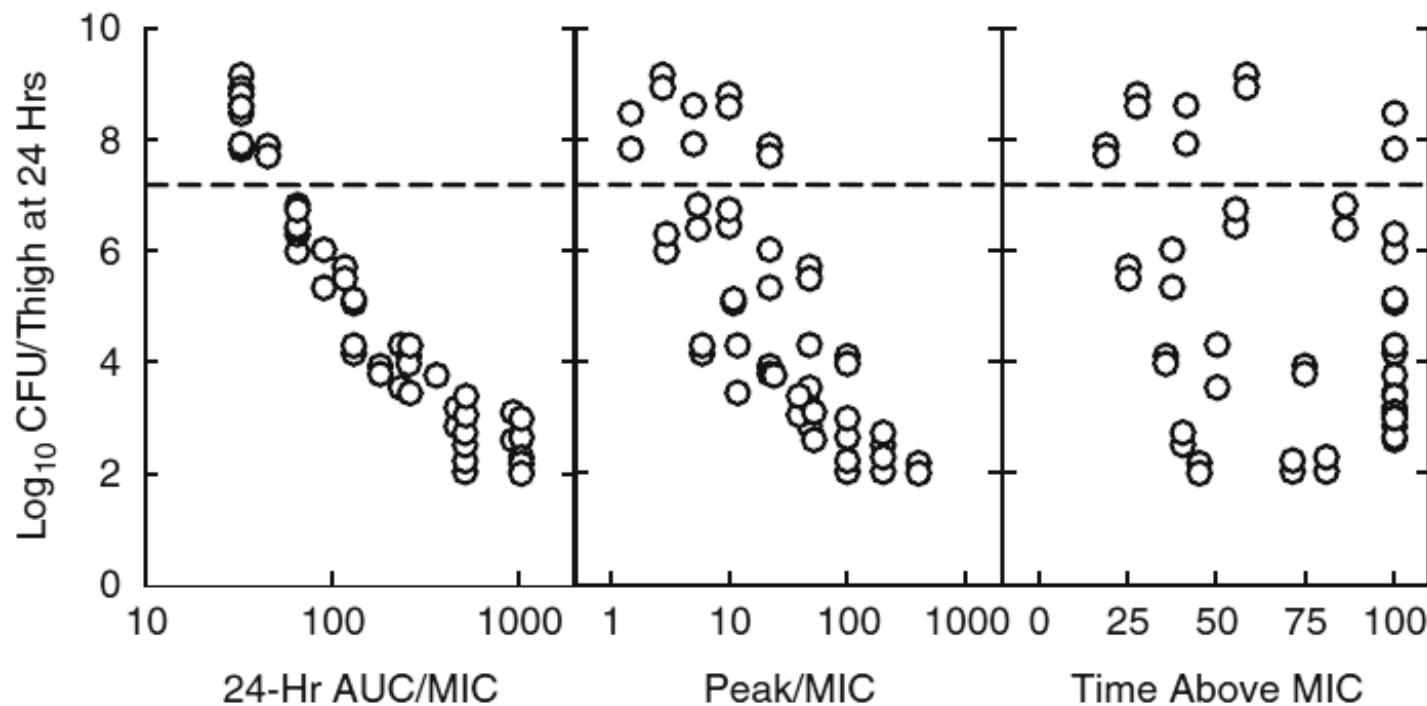


Fig. 1.1 Relationship between three PK/PD indices for total drug of levofloxacin and the log₁₀ CFU/thigh at 24 h for *Streptococcus pneumoniae* ATCC 10813 in the thighs of neutropenic mice. Reproduced with permission from Andes and Craig (2002)

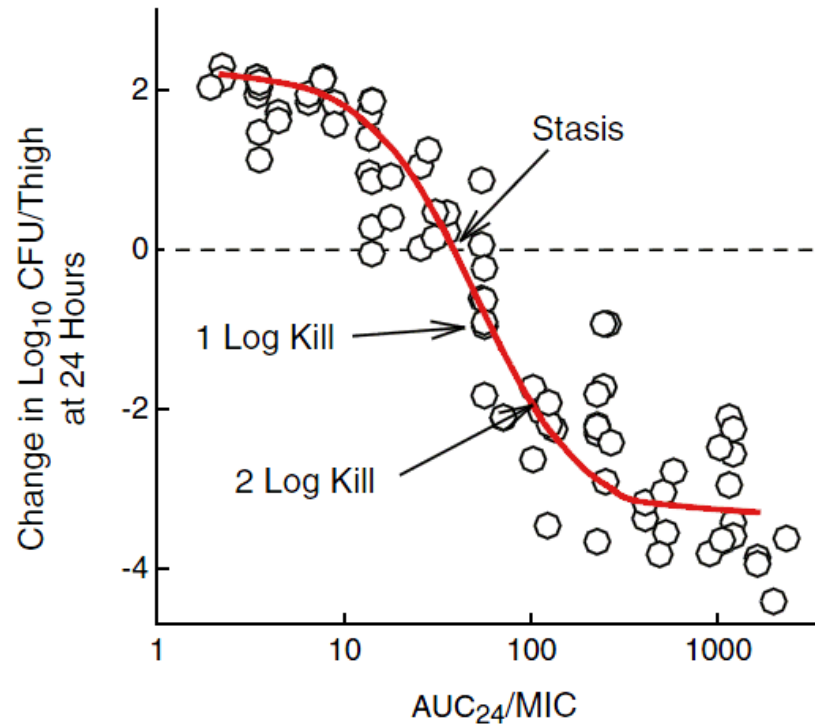
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Animal models: what can you measure...

2 In Vitro and Animal PK/PD Models

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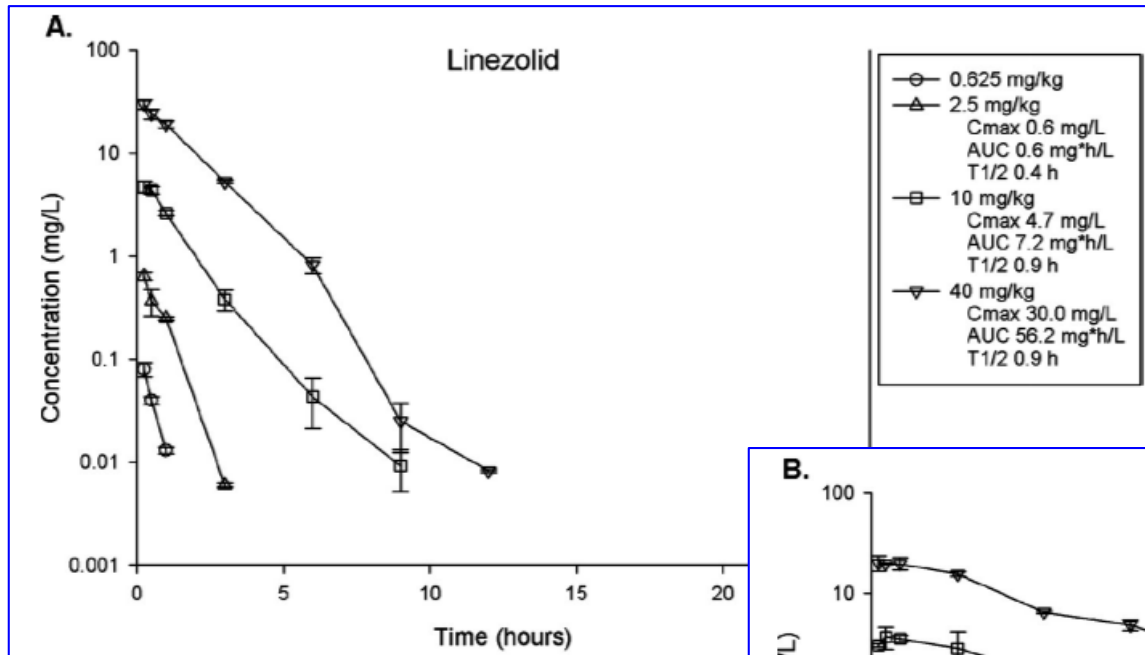
Fig. 2.6 Change in \log_{10} CFUs/thigh over 24 h for various Enterobacteriaceae following treatment with multiple fluoroquinolones in neutropenic mice. Redrawn from data in Andes and Craig (2002)



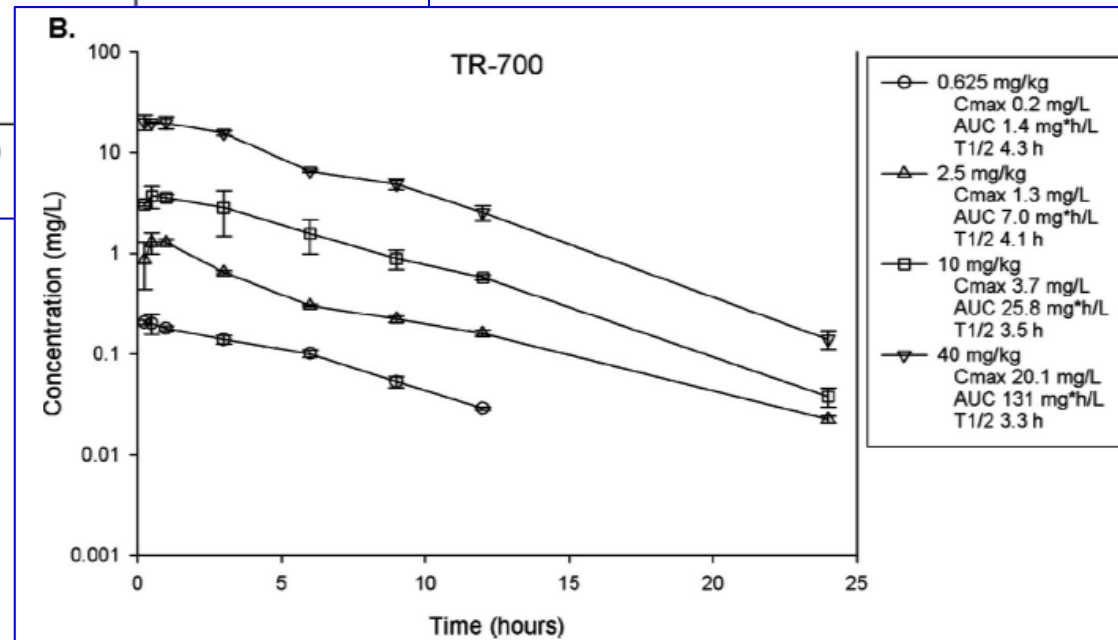
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Animal models: application to two oxazolidinones

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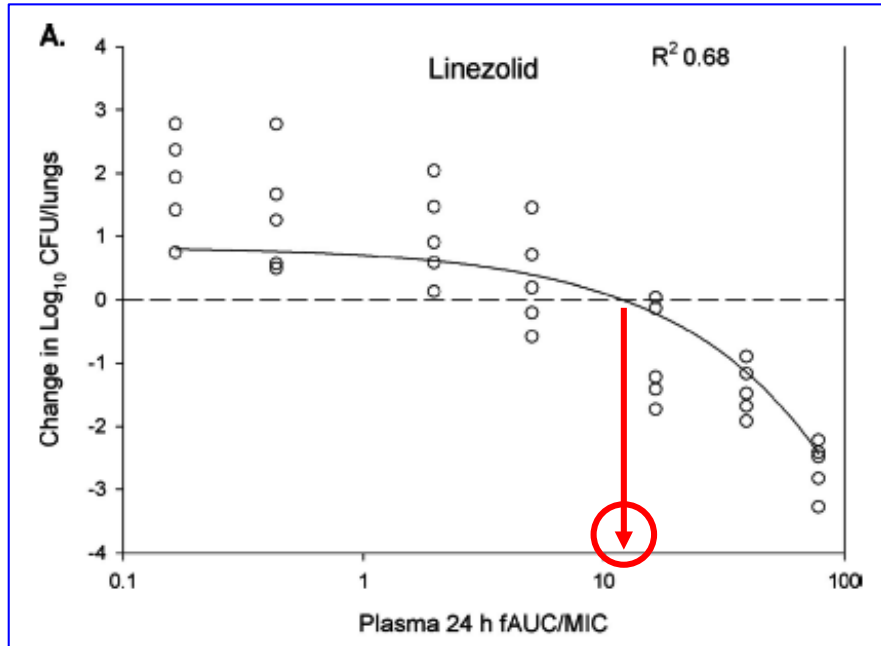
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in
pharmacokinetics
and in MICs



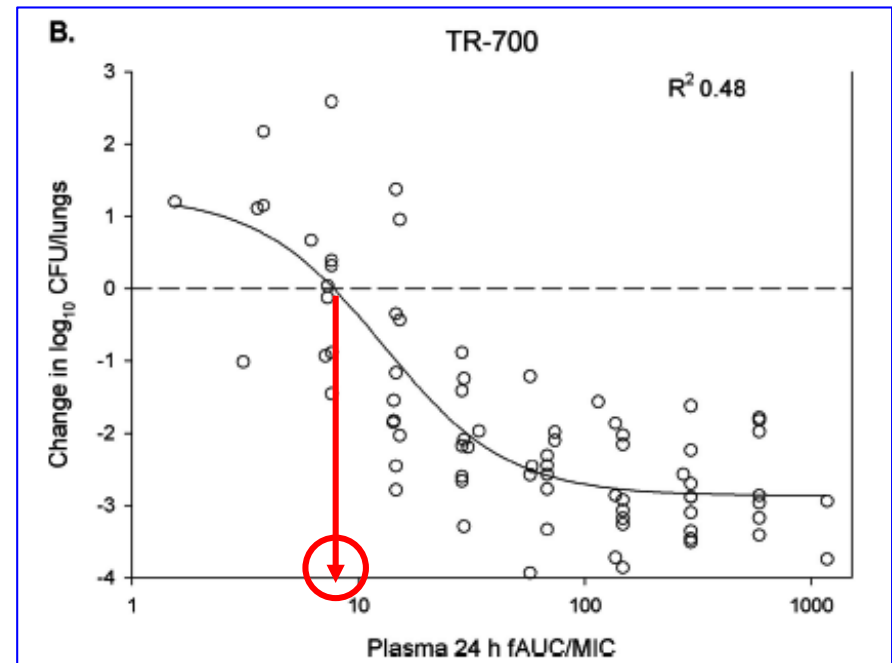
	modal EUCAST MIC
linezolid	2 mg/L
TR700	0.25 mg/L

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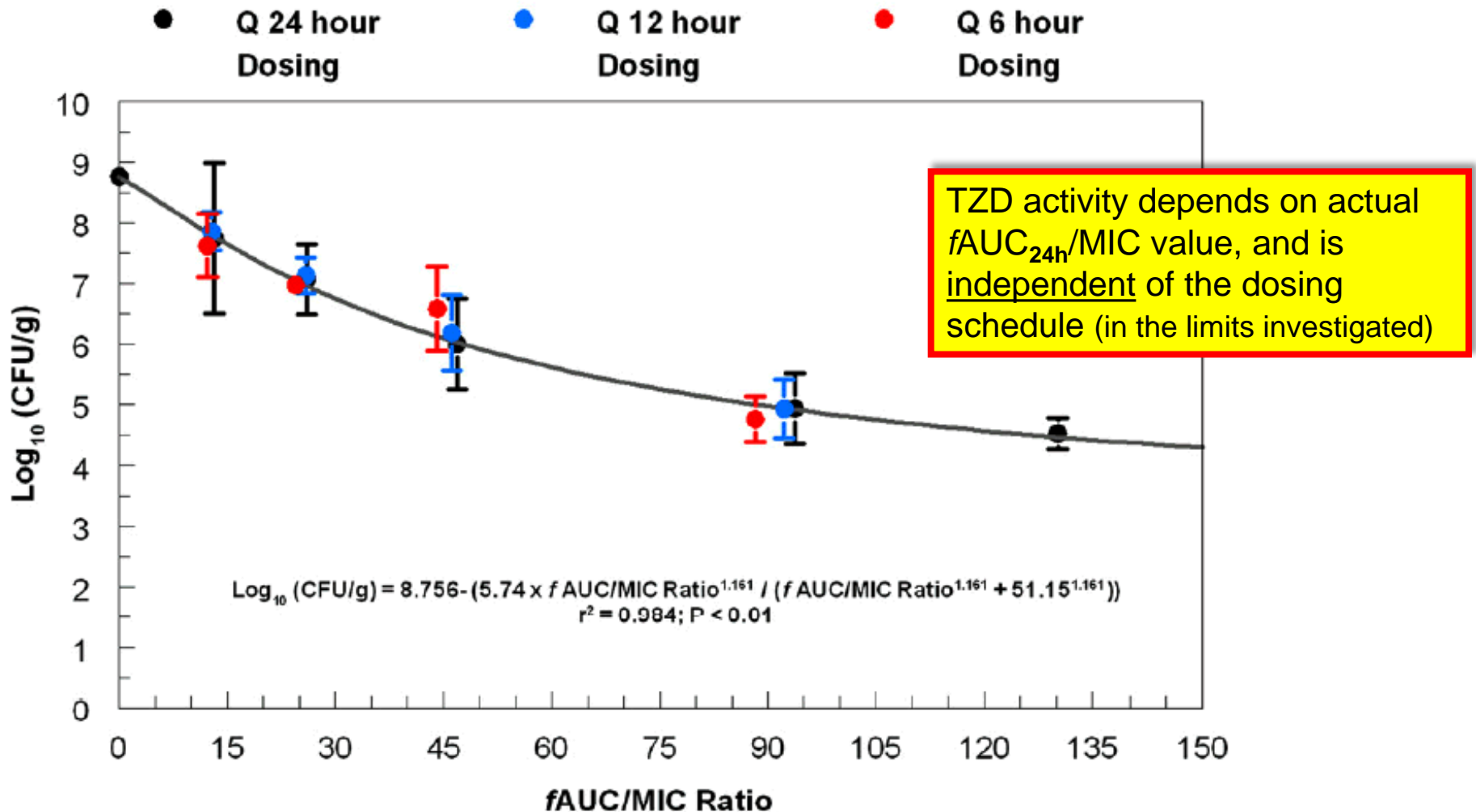
2. pharmacodynamics



similar AUC_{24h}/MIC
for static effect !



AUC_{24h} and activity tedizolid



Louie *et al* Antimicrob Agents Chemother 2011;55:3453-3460 – PMID [21502615](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/21502615/)

You can use different environments...

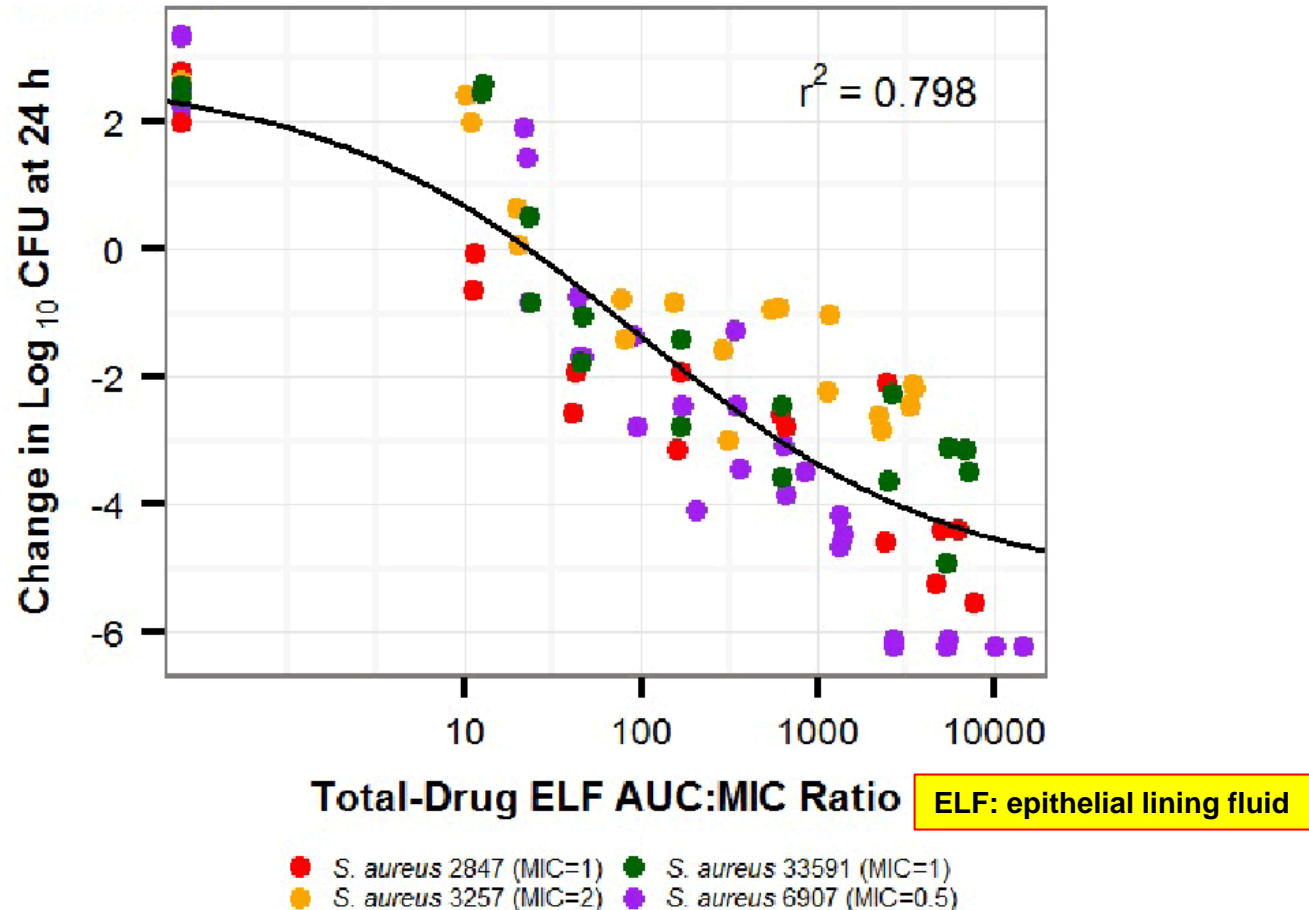


Figure 2. Relationship between change in log₁₀ CFU from baseline and arbekacin total-drug ELF AUC:MIC ratio based on data for four MRSA isolates

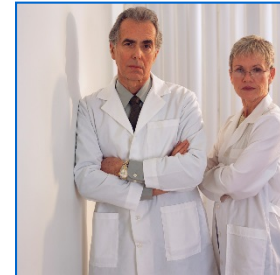
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What are breakpoints ?

- a magic number obtained from *in vitro* susceptibility testing, which the clinical microbiologists use to determine if the antibiotic will or will not be active *in vivo* against a given pathogen;
- this number is usually a given diameter ¹ of growth inhibition in an agar plate around a disk loaded with a standard amount of antibiotic;
- while this system yields *per definition* a continuous variable (i.e. a diameter of any size [from 0 mm to the limit of the dish...), microbiologists and authorities like to cut the results it in 3 discrete categories

- less than x mm¹ → RESISTANT
- larger than y mm¹ → SUSCEPTIBLE
- between x and y mm¹ → INTERMEDIATE



which is what the clinician will get...

¹ diameters must be converted into an MIC by using previously validated regression lines with the ISO method (the ISO method is microdilution...which , by definition, yields an MIC)

An example of breakpoints... (EUCAST)

Streptococcus pneumoniae

Macrolides, lincosamides and streptogramins	MIC breakpoint (mg/L)		Disk content (µg)	Zone diameter breakpoint (mm)	
	S ≤	R >		S ≥	R <
Azithromycin	0.25 ¹	0.5 ¹		Note ^A	Note ^A
Clarithromycin	0.25 ¹	0.5 ¹		Note ^A	Note ^A
Erythromycin	0.25 ¹	0.5 ¹	15	22 ^A	19 ^A
Roxithromycin	0.5 ¹	1 ¹		Note ^A	Note ^A
Telithromycin	0.25	0.5	15	23	20
Clindamycin ²	0.5	0.5	2	19 ^B	19 ^B
Quinupristin-dalfopristin	-	-		-	-

Notes

Numbered notes relate to general comments and/or MIC breakpoints.

Lettered notes relate to the disk diffusion method.

1/A. Erythromycin can be used to determine susceptibility to azithromycin, clarithromycin and roxithromycin.

2. Inducible clindamycin resistance can be detected by antagonism of clindamycin activity by a macrolide agent. If not detected, then report as susceptible. If detected, then report as resistant.

B. Place the erythromycin and clindamycin disks 12-16 mm apart (edge to edge) and look for antagonism (the D phenomenon) to detect inducible clindamycin resistance.

http://www.eucast.org/clinical_breakpoints/

EUCAST definitions of clinical breakpoints

Clinically Susceptible (S)

- level of antimicrobial activity associated with a high likelihood of therapeutic success

Clinically Intermediate (I)

- level of antimicrobial activity associated with indeterminate therapeutic effect

Clinically Resistant (R)


- level of antimicrobial activity associated with a high likelihood of therapeutic failure.

a microorganism is categorized as S, I or R by applying the appropriate breakpoint in a defined phenotypic test system

Clinical breakpoints may be altered with legitimate changes in circumstances

Clinical breakpoints are presented as $S \leq x \text{ mg/L}$; $I > x, \leq y \text{ mg/L}$; $R > y \text{ mg/L}$

For long, breakpoints have been set too high...

Drug	Typical daily dosage ^a	Typical PK values		Proposed PK/PD upper limit		Breakpoints (mg/L) ^d	
		C _{max} in mg/L total/free (dose)	AUC _{24 h} (mg × h/L) total/free	Efficacy ^b	Prevention of resistance ^c	NCCLS (S/I/R)	
Norfloxacin	800 mg	1.4/1.1 (400 mg PO)	14/11	0.1–0.4	0.1	≤4/8/>16 ^j	
Ciprofloxacin	1000 mg	2.5/1.75 (500 mg PO)	24/18	0.2–0.8	0.2	≤1/2/>4 ^k	
Ofloxacin	400 mg	4/3 (400 mg PO)	40/30	0.3–0.9	0.4	≤2/4/8 ^l	
Levofloxacin	500 mg	4/2.8 (500 mg PO)	40/28	0.3–0.9	0.3	≤2/4/8 ^l	
Moxifloxacin	400 mg	3.1/1.8 (400 mg PO)	35/21	0.2–0.7	0.2	≤1/2/4 ^m	

NCCLS, National Committee for Clinical Laboratory Standards (Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute) (<http://www.ncx>)

Van Bambeke F, Michot JM, Van Eldere J, Tulkens PM.
Quinolones in 2005: an update. Clin Microbiol Infect. 2005 Apr;11(4):256-80. PMID: 15760423

Breakpoint setting: the EUCAST way

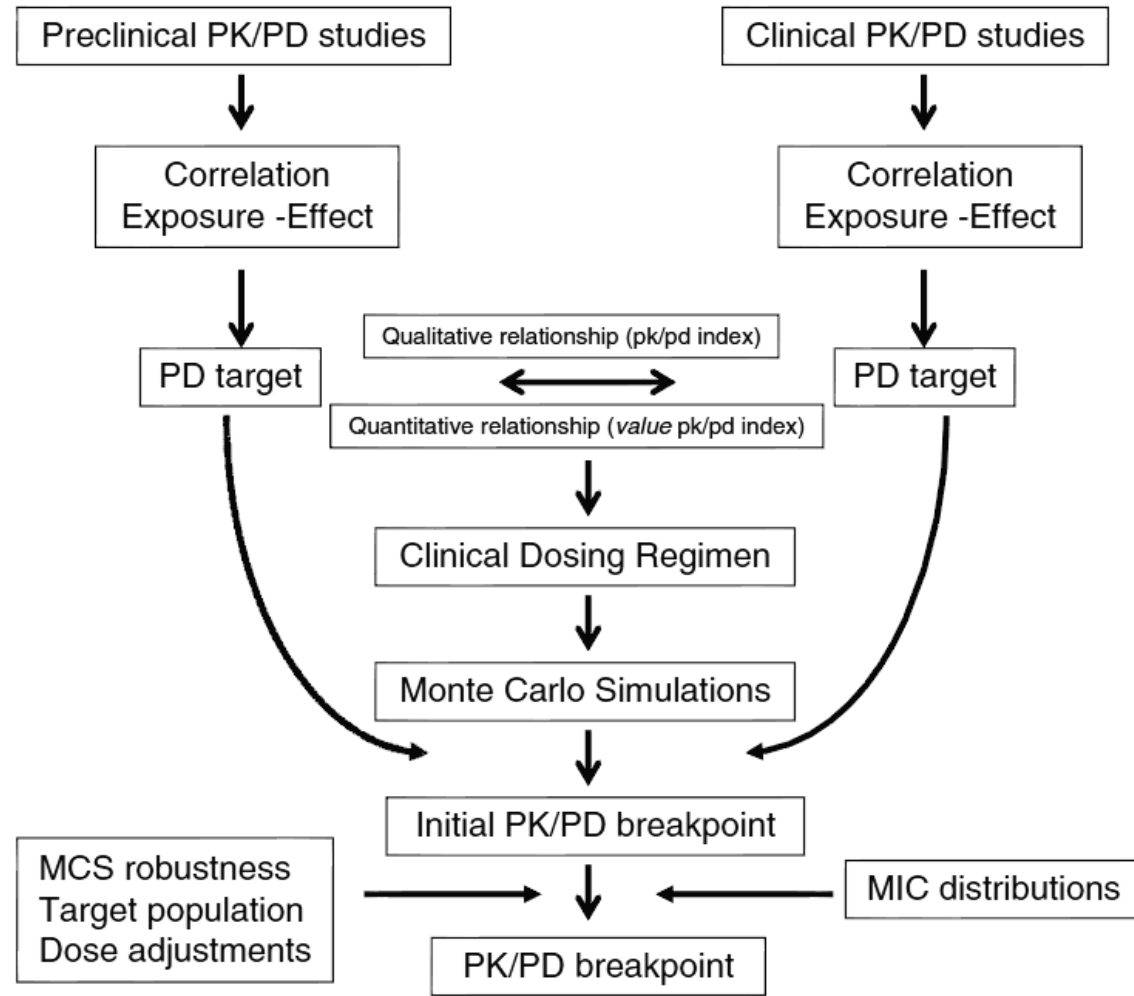


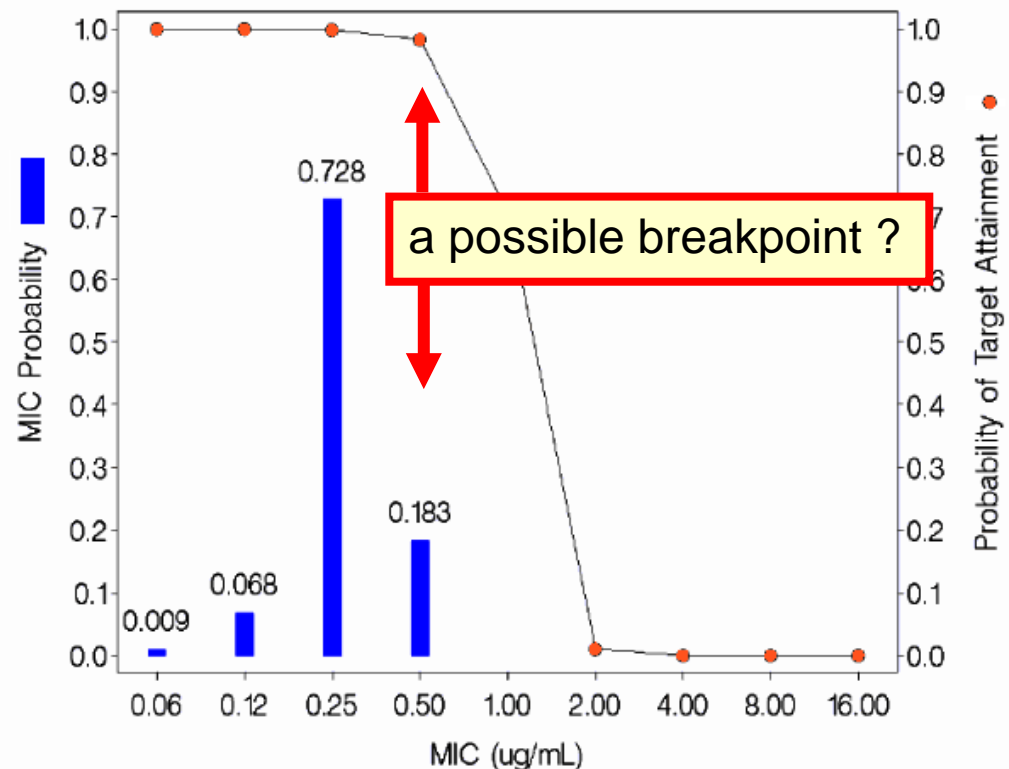
Fig. 3.4 Summary of the process of setting PK/PD breakpoints by EUCAST (Mouton et al. 2012)

Towards a breakpoint... probability of target attainment rate

- A tedizolid free AUC_{0-24h} /MIC ratio of 15 was determined as the PK/PD target associated with the activity of tedizolid against *S. aureus* in the non-neutropenic mouse thigh model of infection...¹

Calculation of the probability of reaching the necessary $fAUC_{24h}$ /MIC ratio for increasing MICs in humans...

Figure 2-1: Probability of PK/PD target attainment for tedizolid at the target AUC_{0-24h} /MIC Ratio of 15



¹ FDA briefing document: anti-infective drug advisory committee meeting
March 31, 2014
<http://www.fda.gov/downloads/advisorycommittees/committeesmeetingmaterials/drugs/anti-infectivedrugsadvisorycommittee/ucm390789.pdf>
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Tedizolid breakpoints... a matter of dispute ?

Tedizolid

Organism group	Breakpoint (mg/L)	
	S ≤ (mg/L)	R > (mg/L)
<i>Staphylococcus</i> spp.	0.5	0.5
<i>Enterococcus</i> spp.	IE	IE
<i>Streptococcus</i> groups A,B,C,G	0.5	0.5
Viridans group streptococci (<i>Streptococcus anginosus</i> group only)	0.25	0.25
PK/PD breakpoints	IE	IE



1 mg/L for *S. aureus* is resistant

1 mg/L for *S. aureus* is intermediate



Table 5 Susceptibility Test Interpretive Criteria for SIVEXTRO

Pathogen	Minimum Inhibitory Concentrations (mcg/mL)		
	S	I	R
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (methicillin-resistant and methicillin-susceptible isolates)	≤0.5	1	≥2
<i>Streptococcus pyogenes</i>	≤0.5	-	-
<i>Streptococcus agalactiae</i>	≤0.5	-	-
<i>Streptococcus anginosus</i> Group*	≤0.25	-	-
<i>Enterococcus faecalis</i>	≤0.5	-	-

S=susceptible, I=intermediate, R=resistant

* Includes *S. anginosus*, *S. intermedius*, *S. constellatus*

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This is where unanticipated observations shake you ...

But before we begin: Types of toxicity (in very short)...

- related to the mode of therapeutic action
 - titrate the dosage (if possible)
- unrelated to the therapeutic effect
 - drug and drug/drug interactions
 - prevention / mitigation (pharmacokinetics)
 - action on non-therapeutic target organ(s)
 - non dose-related (idiosyncratic)
 - epidemiological and registry studies leading to general withdrawal/change of label if not-acceptable (e.g. telithromycin)
 - dose-related (somehow)
 - **open to pharmacokinetic/toxicodynamic studies susceptible to lead to mitigation approaches**

Aminoglycosides monitoring in the 80's ...

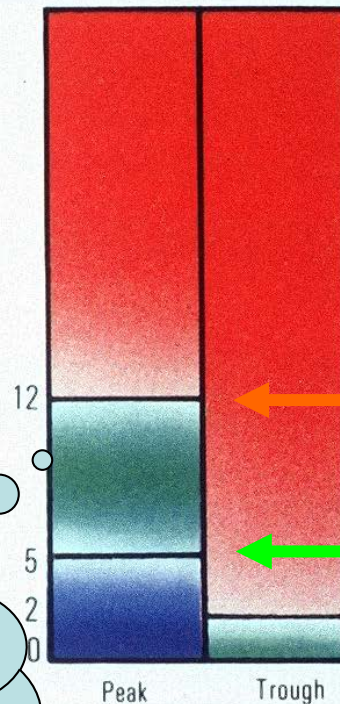
avoid high peaks
... to reduce toxicity

get sufficiently high trough levels
... to get efficacy

8
7.5
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2
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Very small range,
isn't it ?

USUAL THERAPEUTIC
RANGE⁴ (mg/l)



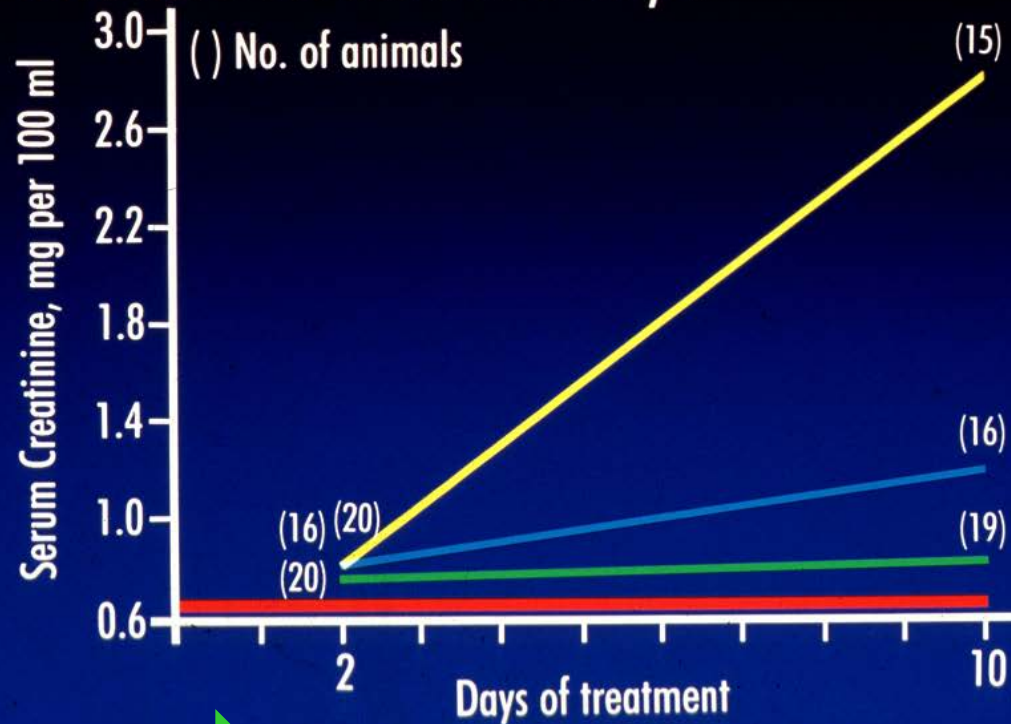
toxicity !!

lack of
efficacy

Abott TdX manual, 1986

But aminoglycoside toxicity is **not** linked to peak ...

Serum concentration of creatinine (mean \pm SE) in rats after administration of 40 mg of gentamicin/kg per day in one, two, or three doses for two and 10 days.

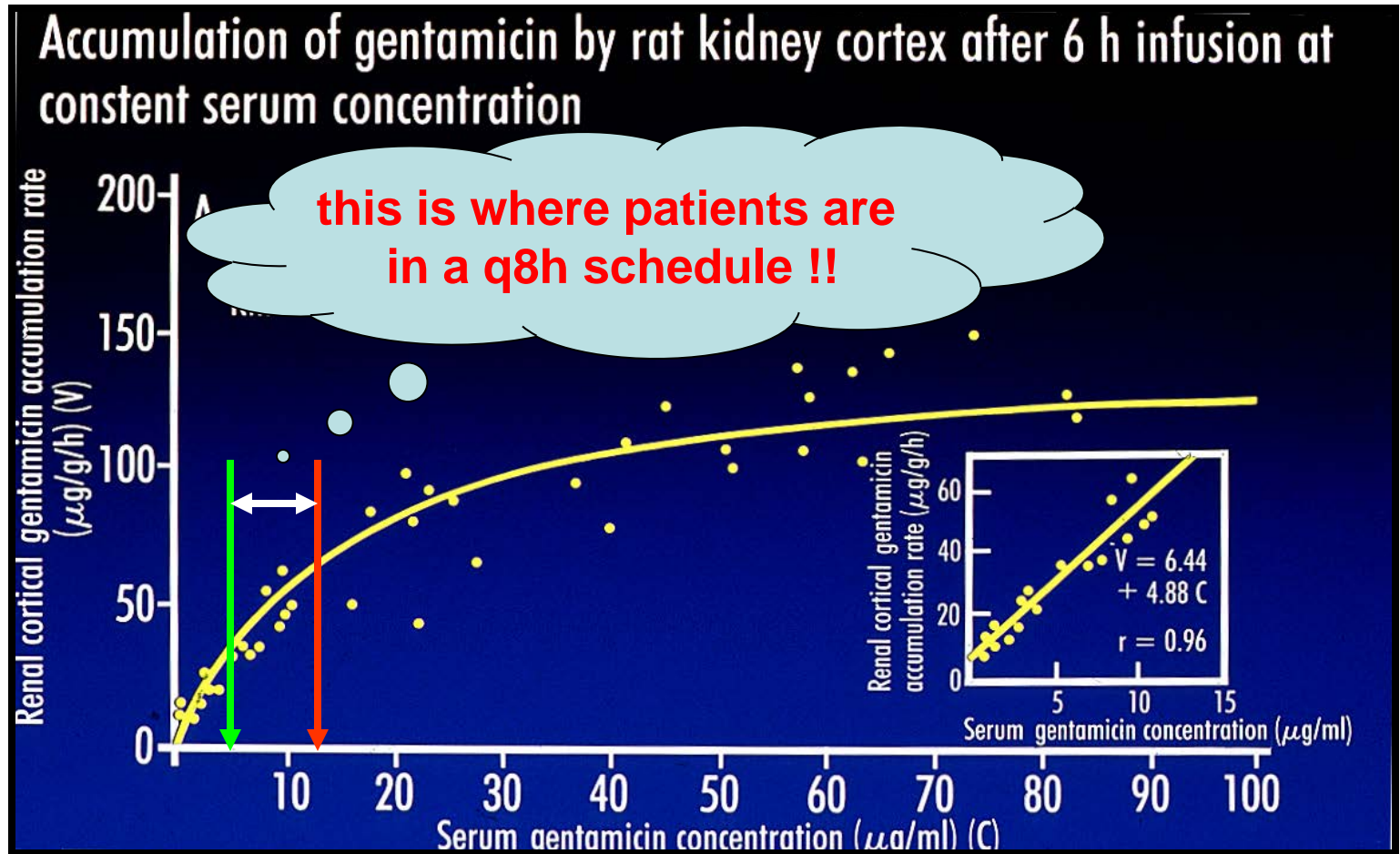


**daily dose
divided in :**

- Three doses/day
- Two doses/day
- One dose/day
- Serum Creatinine
Mean \pm 2 SE for
77 Control Rats

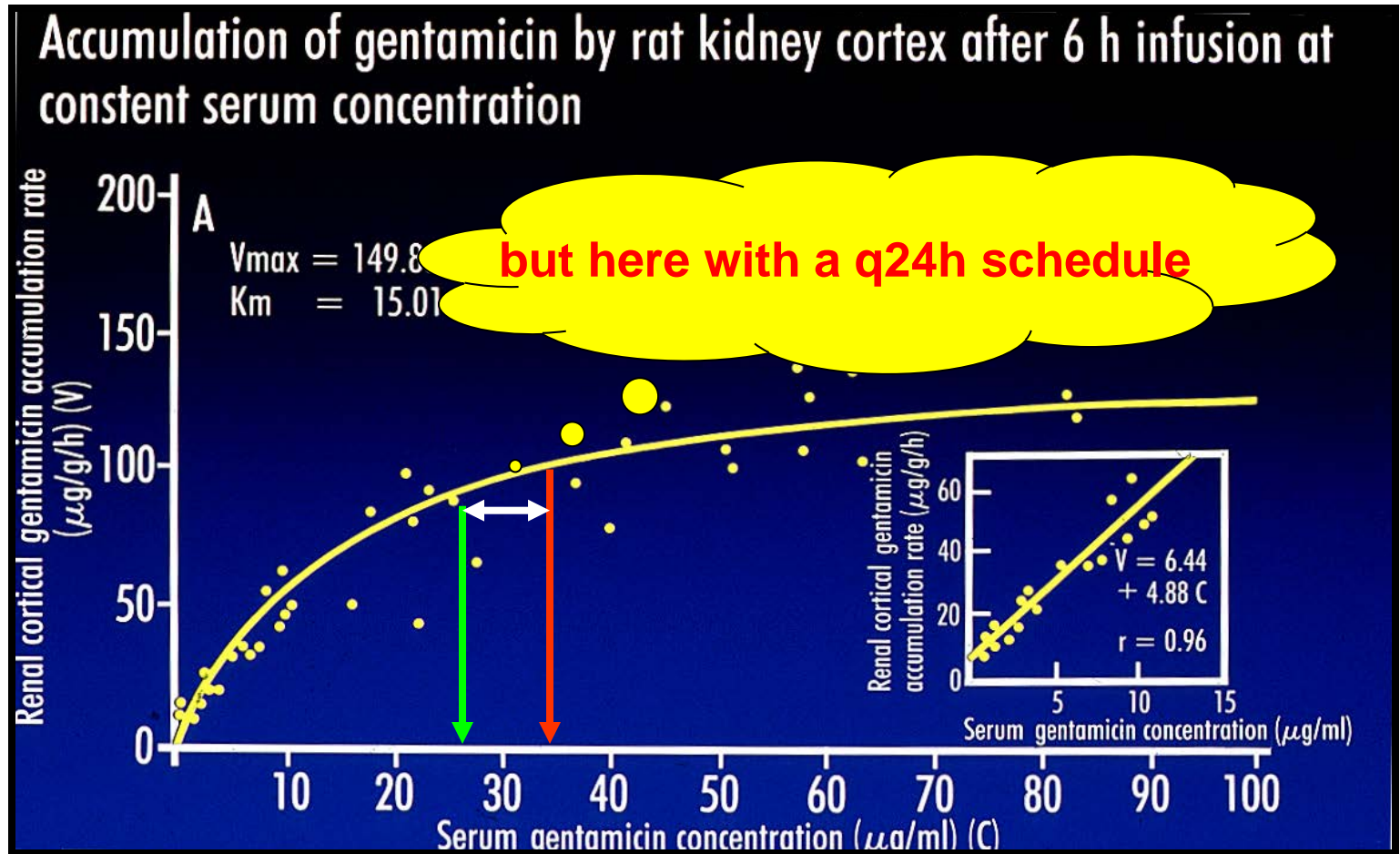
From Bennett et al, J. Infect. Dis., 1979

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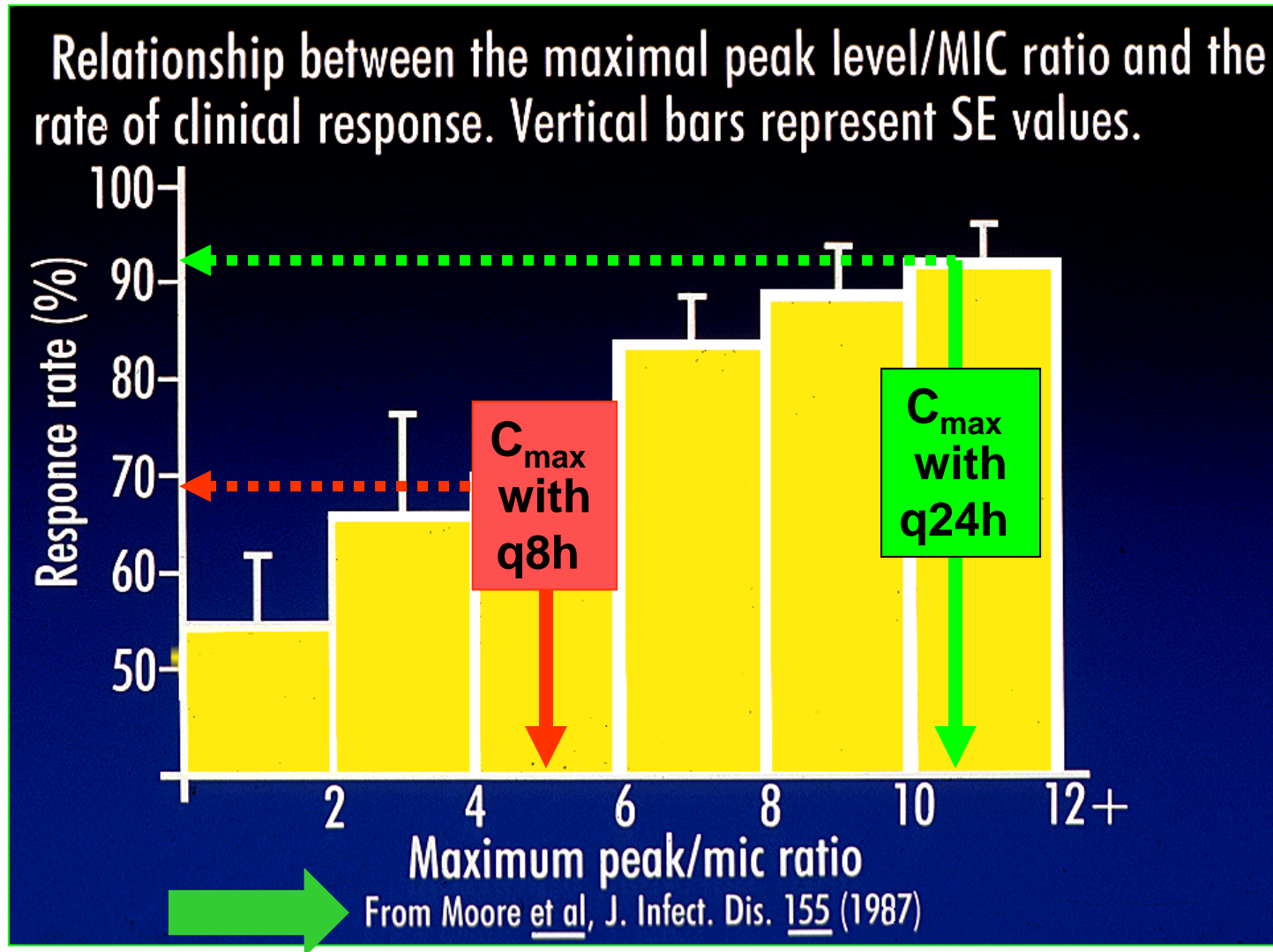
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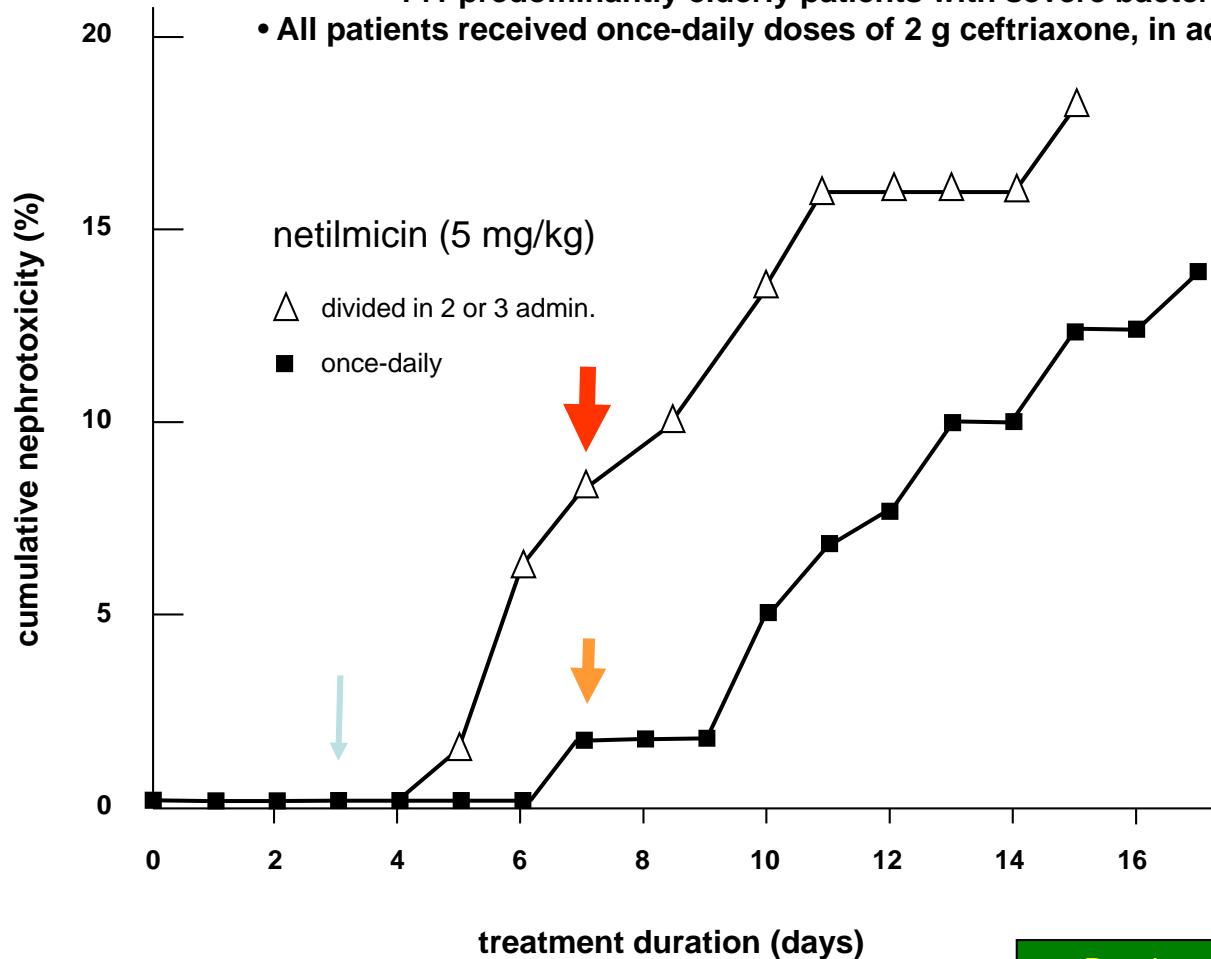
Aminoglycoside peak /MIC ratio is predictive of clinical efficacy



Nephrotoxicity and schedule of administration ... the first large scale clinical trial

- 141 predominantly elderly patients with severe bacterial infections.

- All patients received once-daily doses of 2 g ceftriaxone, in addition to netilmicin.



"Netilmicin-induced toxicity may be reduced by using once-daily dosing regimens and limiting the duration of treatment."

ter Braak et al., Am J Med. 1990 Jul;89(1):58-66.

Aminoglycoside nephrotoxicity when combined with vancomycin: influence of schedule

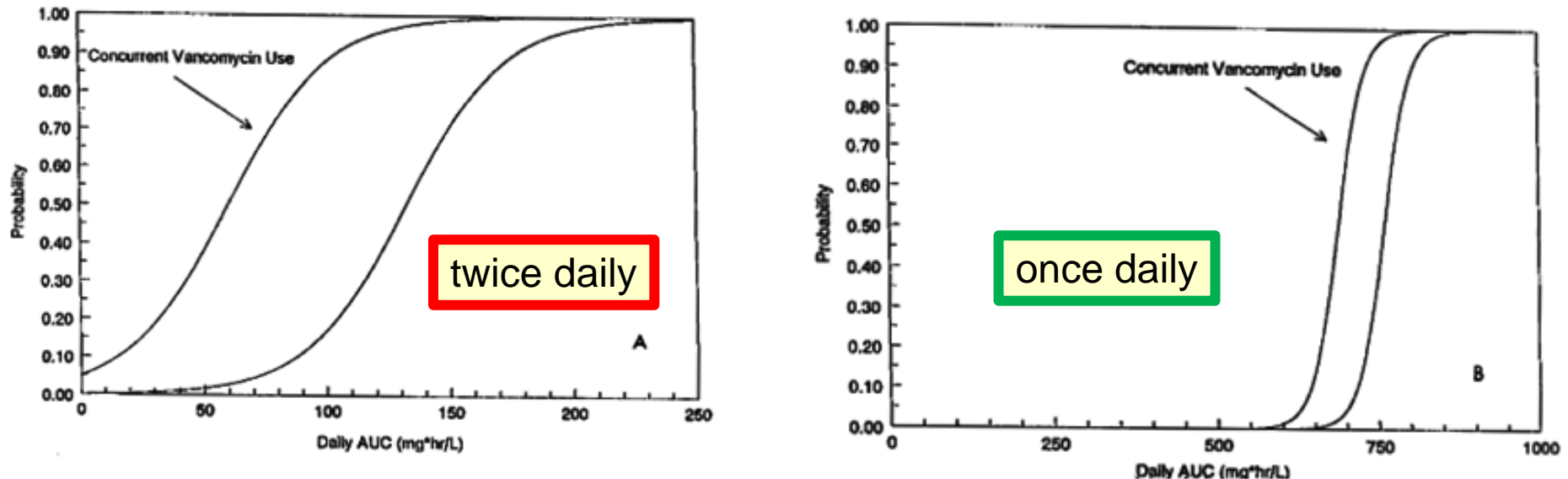


FIG. 1. (A) Curve of probability of development of aminoglycoside nephrotoxicity for patients receiving the drug on a twice-daily basis as estimated by multivariate logistic regression analysis. The probability rises as a function of increasing daily exposure to aminoglycoside, as indexed to the AUC. Concurrent vancomycin use provides a marked increase in the probability of nephrotoxicity for equivalent exposure to aminoglycosides, as indexed to the daily AUC. (B) Once-daily administration shifts the curves of probability of nephrotoxicity as influenced by daily aminoglycoside AUC to the right.

Toxicodynamics of linezolid

Modelling of linezolid toxicity



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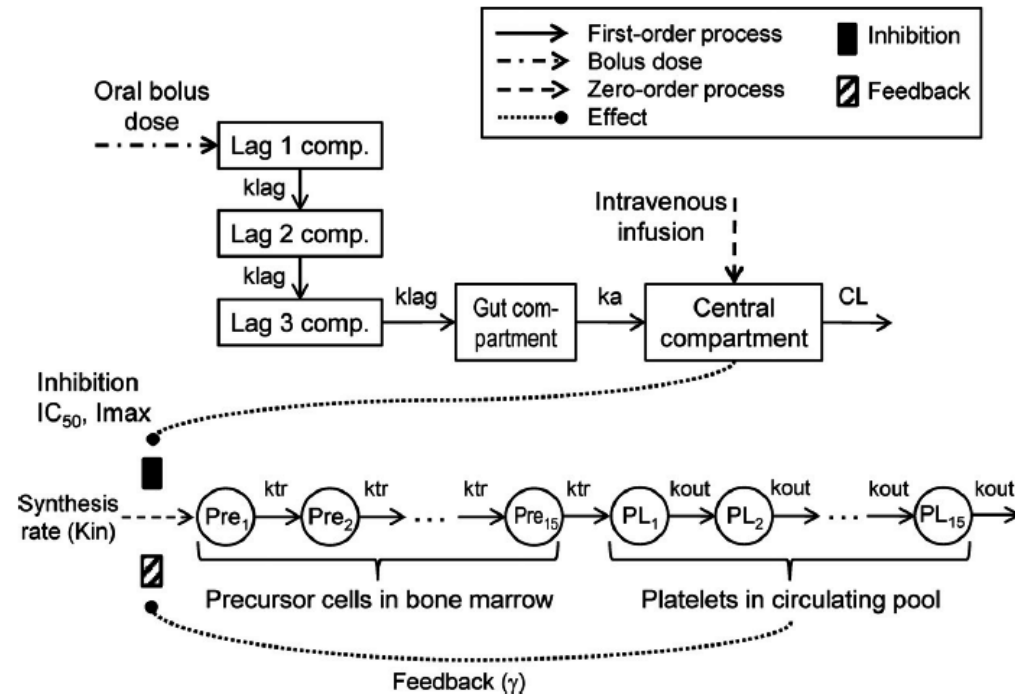


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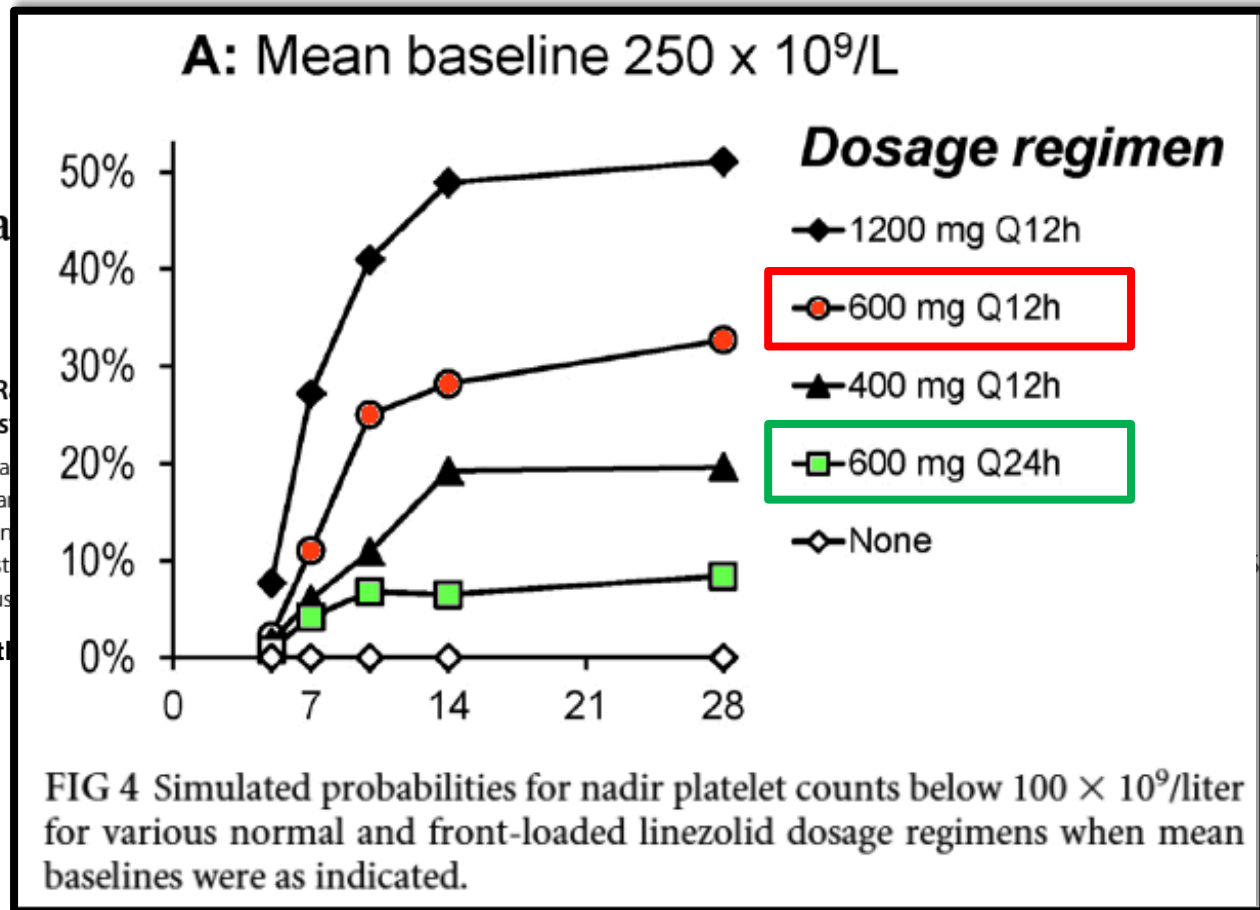


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Toxicodynamics: avoid the elevated C_{\min} ...

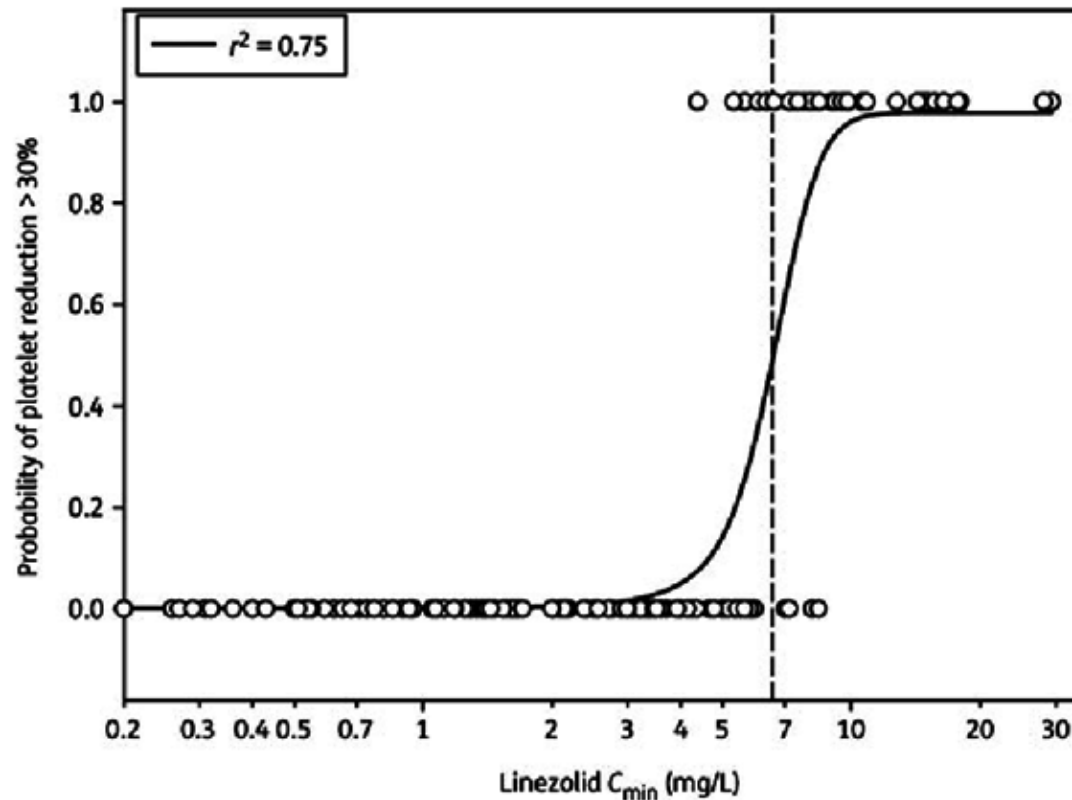


Fig. 16.13 Linezolid C_{\min} and logistic regression model for thrombocytopenia (Pea et al. 2012), reproduced with permission. The symbols refer to the C_{\min} observed over time in each patient with (top) or without (bottom) thrombocytopenia. The continuous line represents the result of the logistic regression model. The vertical broken line identifies the C_{\min} value predicting 50 % probability of thrombocytopenia

Theuretzbacher U, PK/PD of Oxazolidinones In: Fundamentals of Antimicrobial Pharmacokinetics and Pharmacodynamics, AA. Vinck, H. Derendorf & JW Mouton eds, Springer, 2014, p 401-443

Linezolid and tedizolid impairment of mitochondrial protein synthesis and impact of pharmacokinetics

1. Impairment of mitochondrial protein synthesis may explain linezolid-induced lactic acidosis and neuropathies
2. Both linezolid and tedizolid impair mitochondrial protein synthesis but this is reversible...¹
3. Plasma free concentrations of linezolid remain always $> IC_{50}$ (twice daily administration) → permanent inhibition ²
4. Plasma free tedizolid free through concentrations fall $< IC_{50}$ for part of the dosing interval (once-daily administration) → partial daily recovery ²

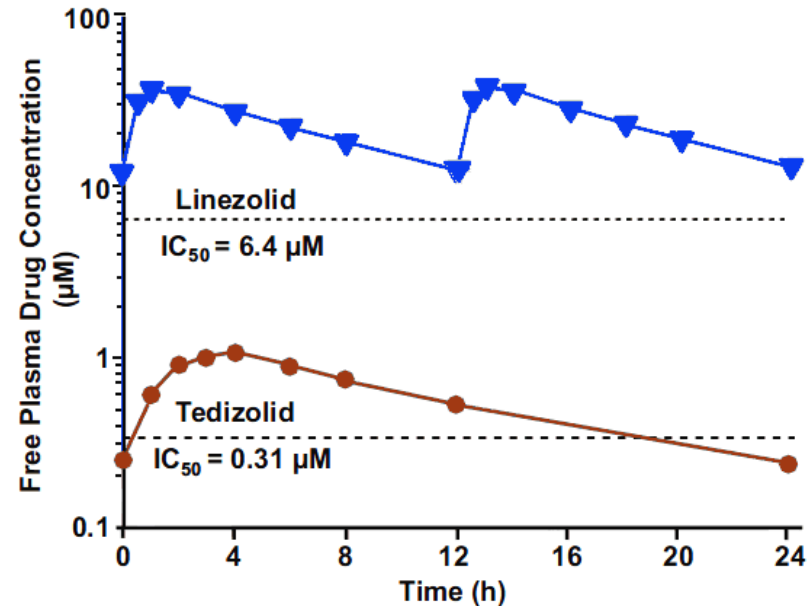


FIG 4 Mean free (unbound) drug plasma exposure concentrations at steady state for therapeutic-dose tedizolid (200 mg once daily; circles) and linezolid (600 mg twice daily; triangles) over the course of the dosing interval, based on published values (²⁵, ⁴¹), in relation to the MPS IC_{50} of each agent.

²⁵ Pharmacia and Upjohn Co. 2014. Zyvox (linezolid) prescribing information. Pfizer, Inc, New York, NY.

⁴¹ Flanagan et al. 2013; 23d ECCMID - poster 921. 2

¹ Milosevic et al. 55th ICAAC & 25th ICC, 2015: poster 1008 (available from <http://www.facm.ucl.ac.be/posters.htm>)

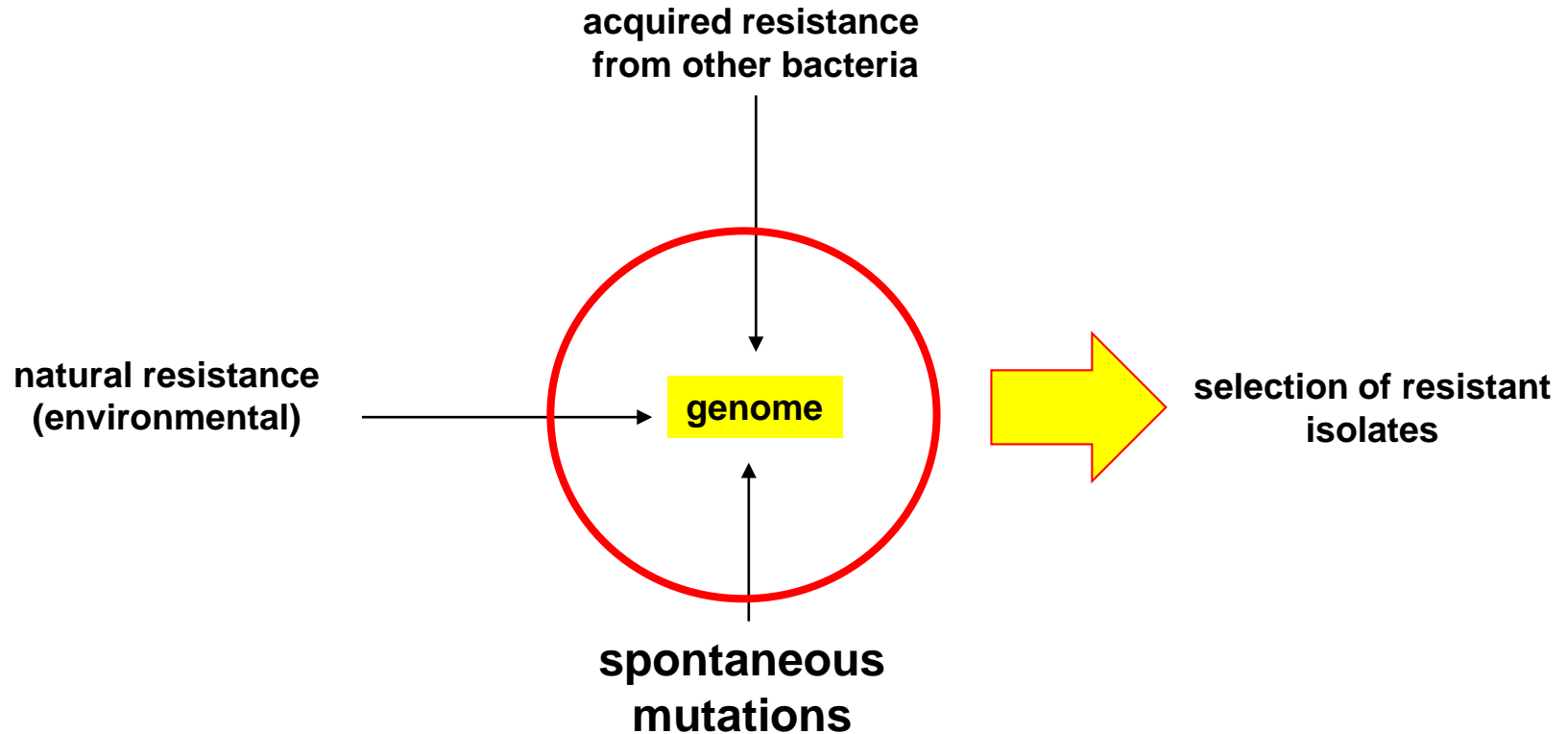
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Why so much resistance ?



**A process linked to
exposure to antibiotics**

A direct visualization...

ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE

Spatiotemporal microbial evolution on antibiotic landscapes

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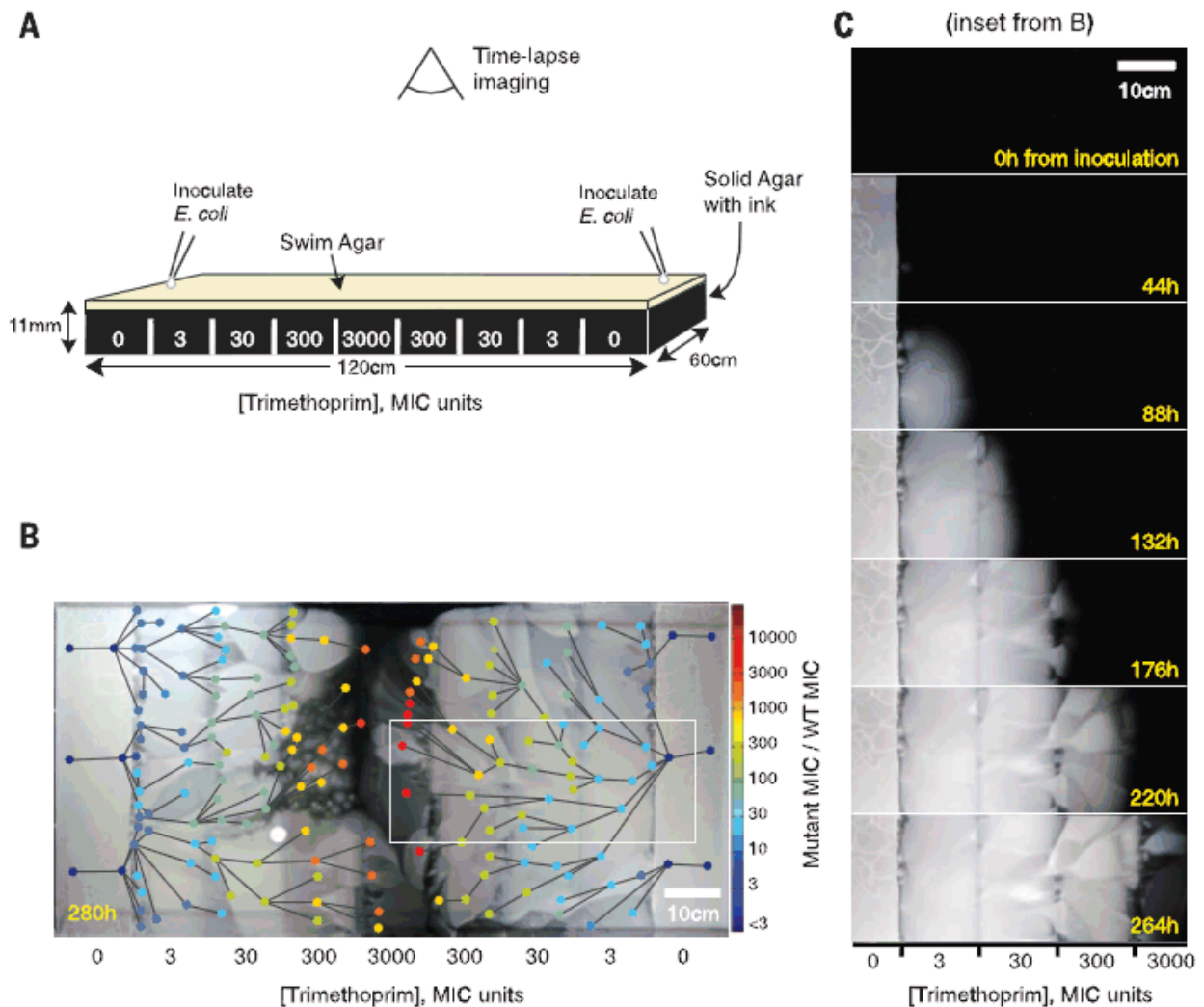


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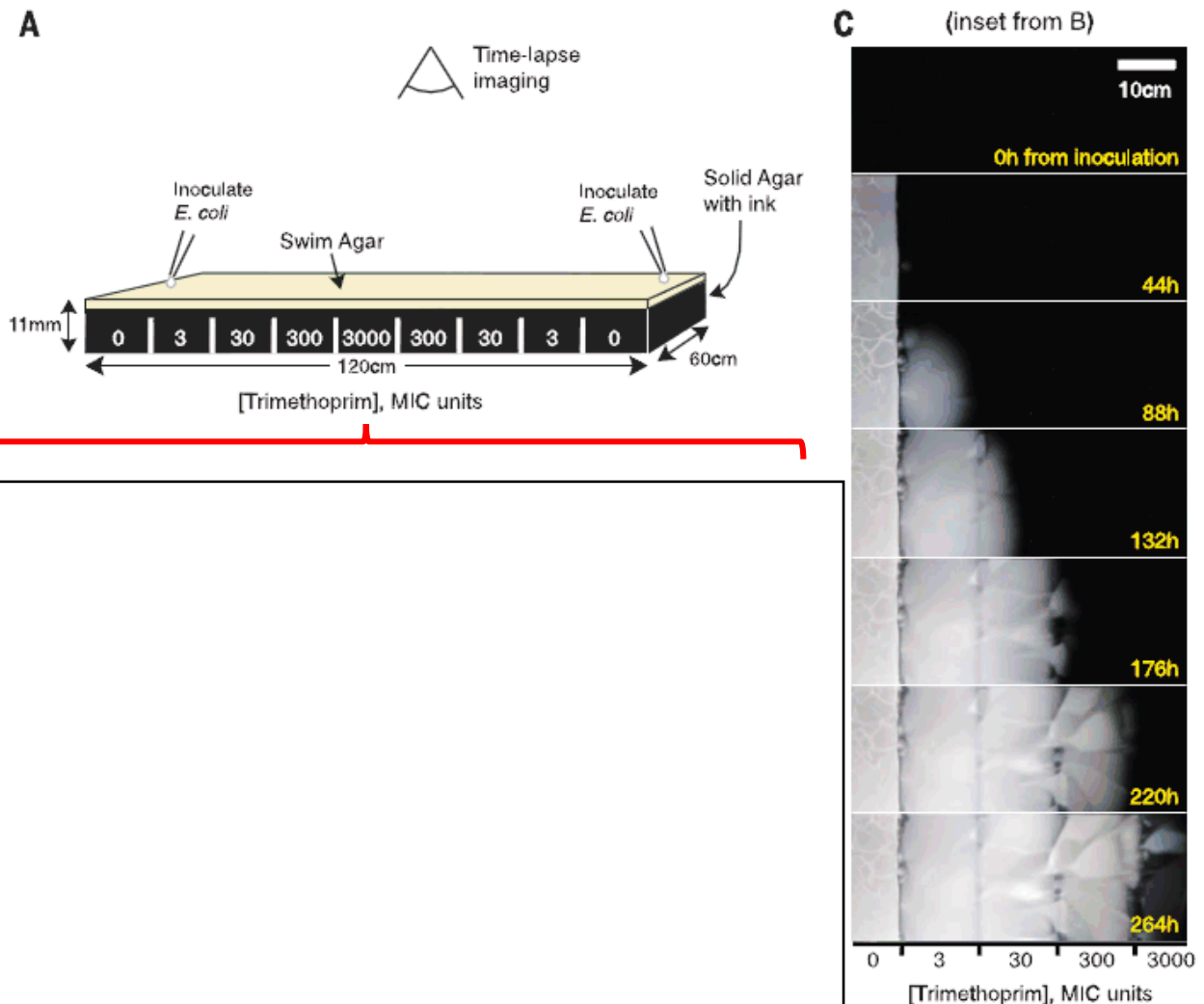


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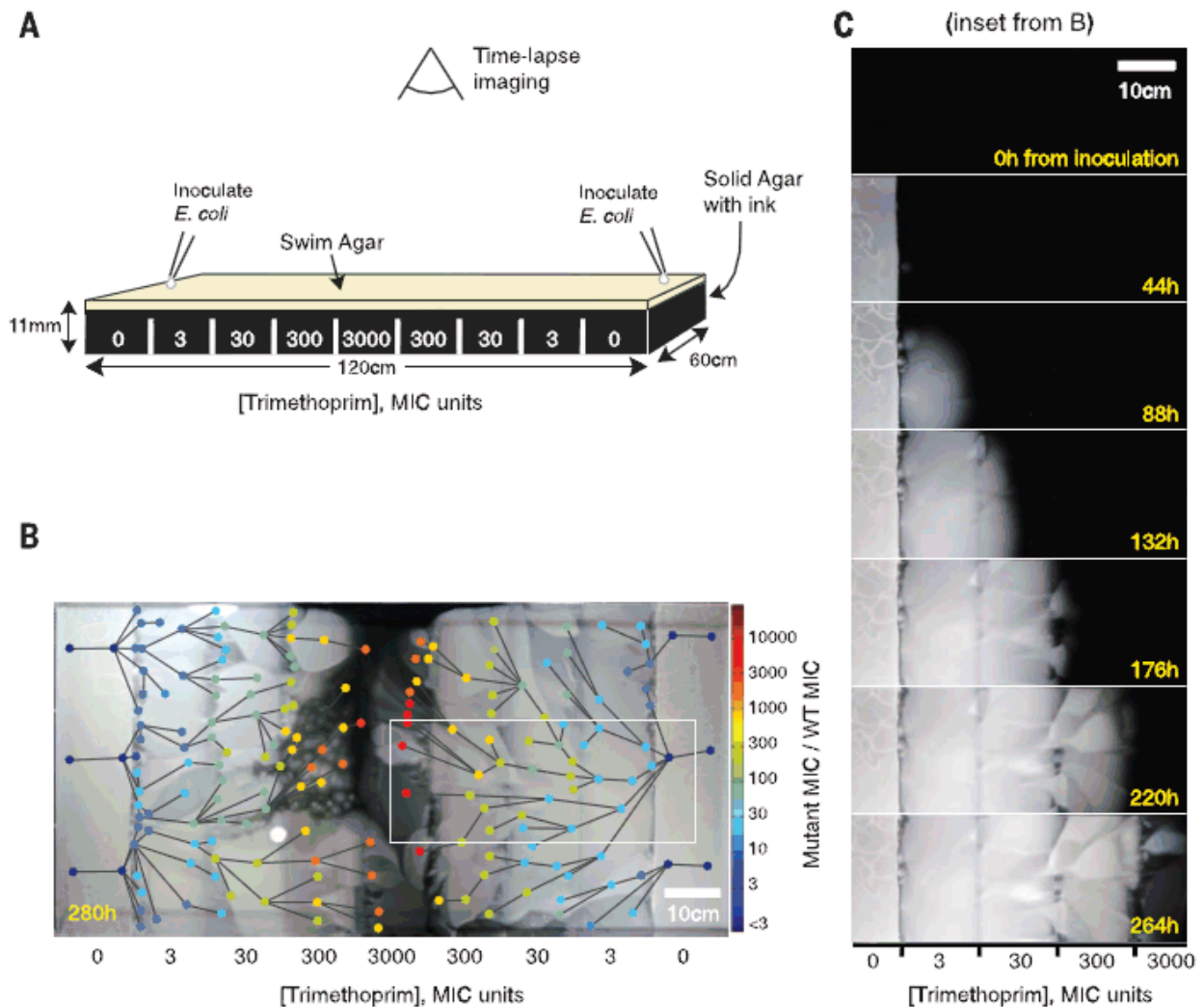
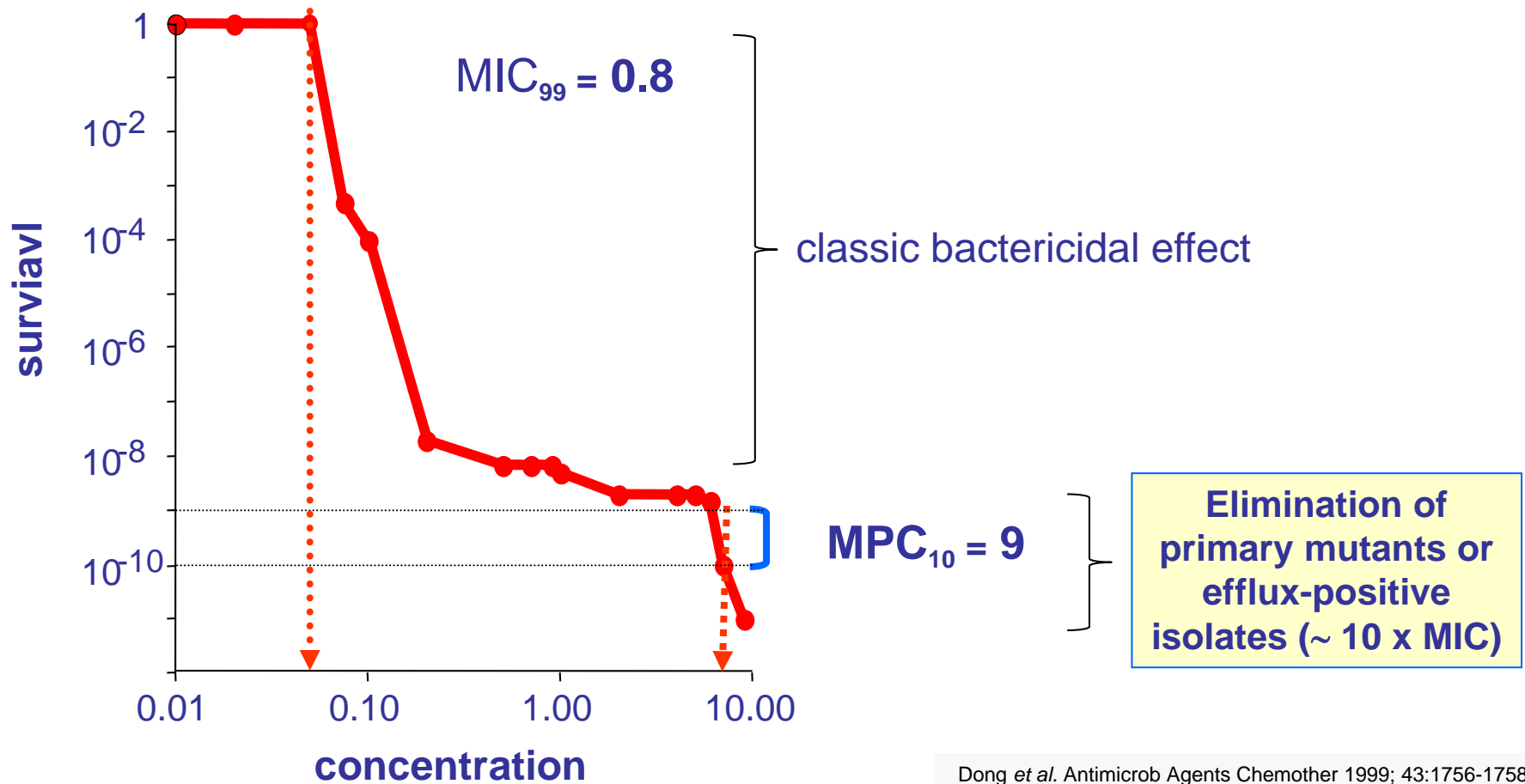


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Concentration that prevent mutations / efflux

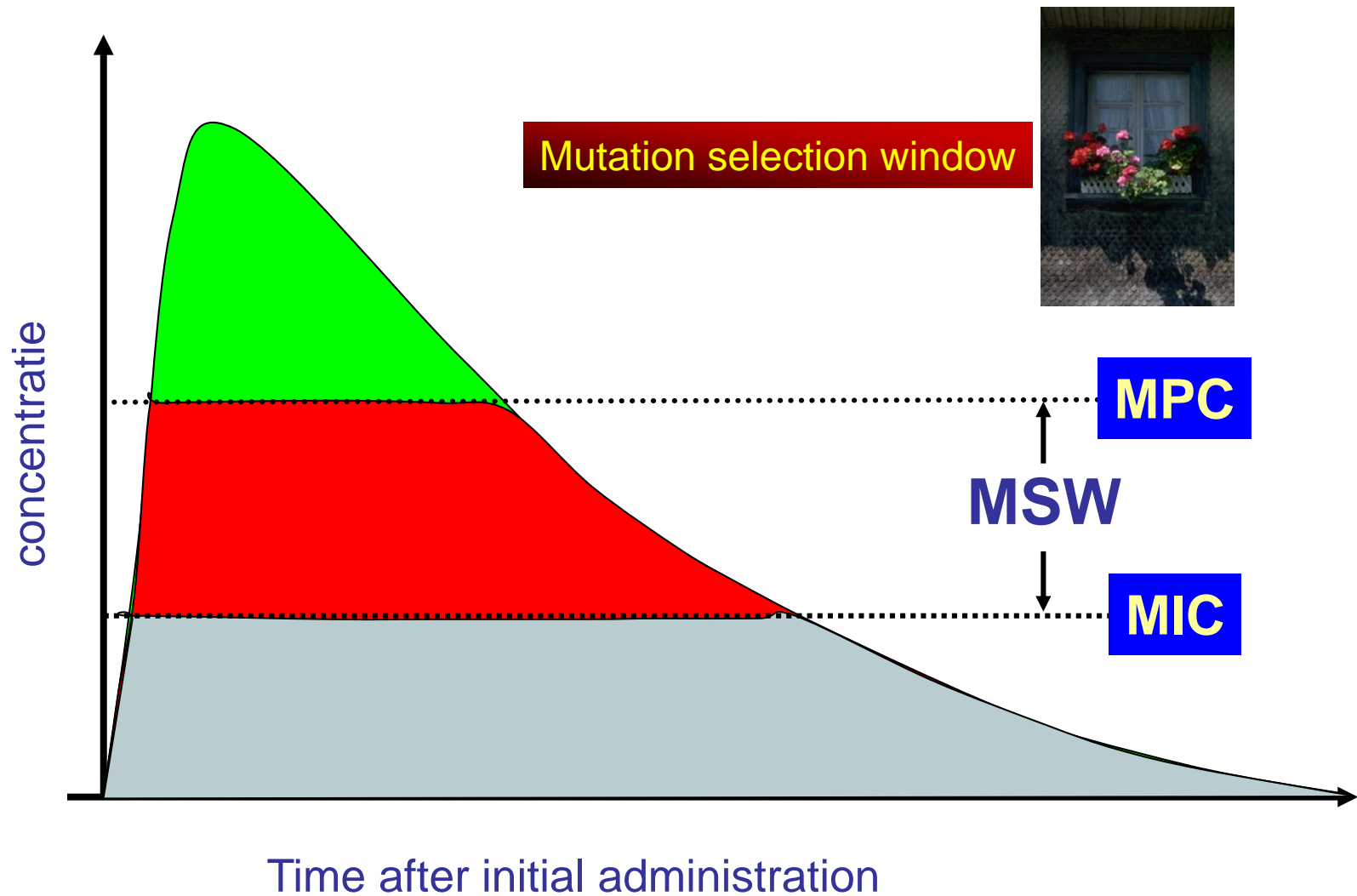
Mutation Preventing Concentration [MPC]

Illustration with *Mycobacterium bovis* and fluoroquinolones



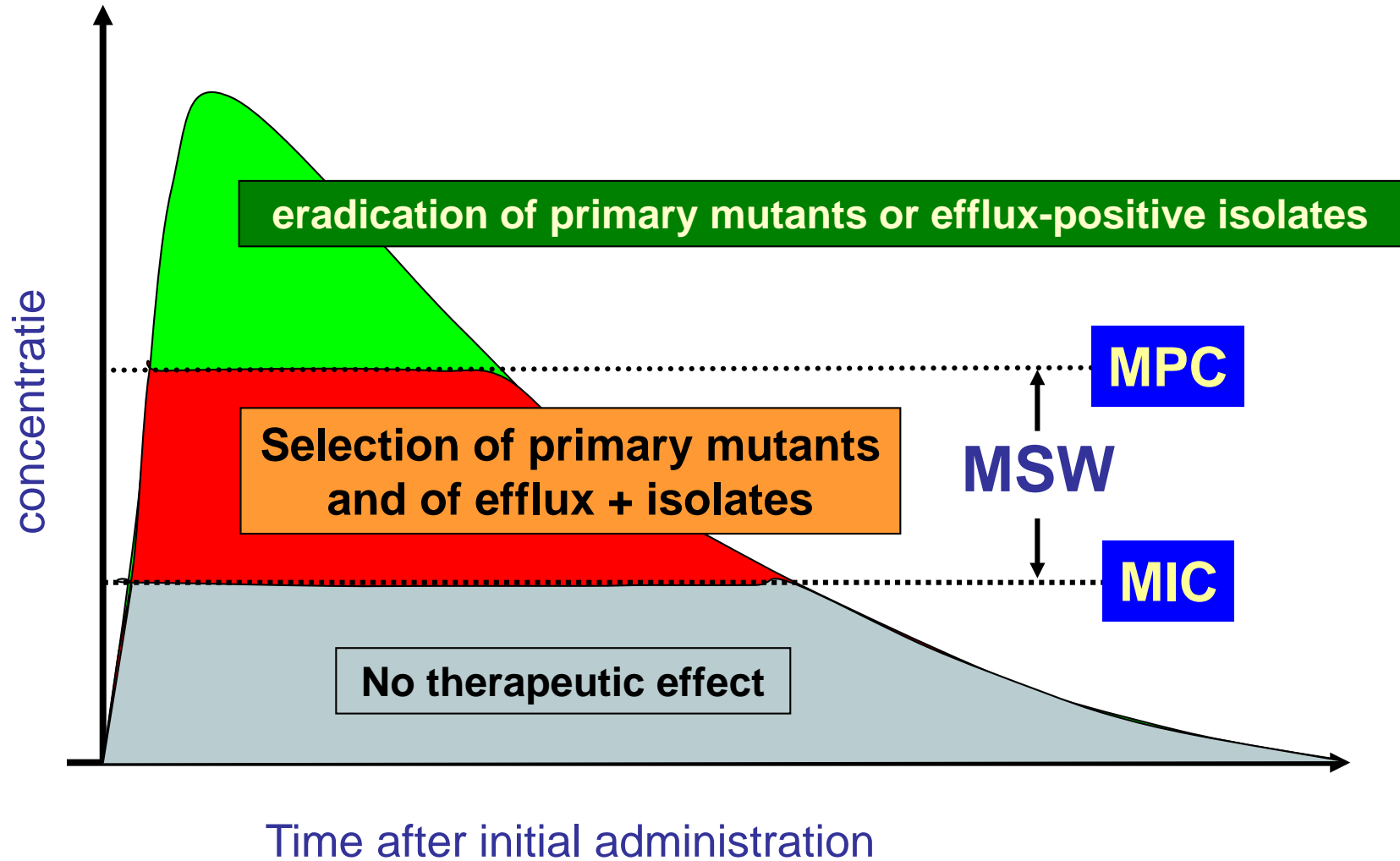
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Window for selection of resistance



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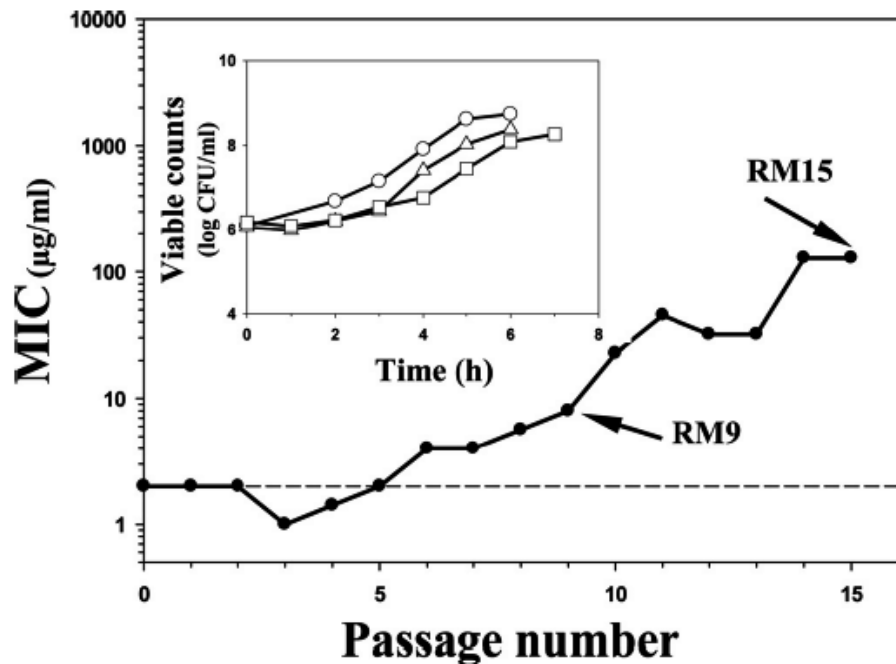


FIG 1 Loss in susceptibility of *S. aureus* 10 passaged on linezolid-containing MHB. The inset graph shows *S. aureus* growth in antibiotic-free MHB. Symbols: ○, *S. aureus* 10; △, RM9; □, RM15. The linezolid MIC for the parent strain is indicated by a dotted line.

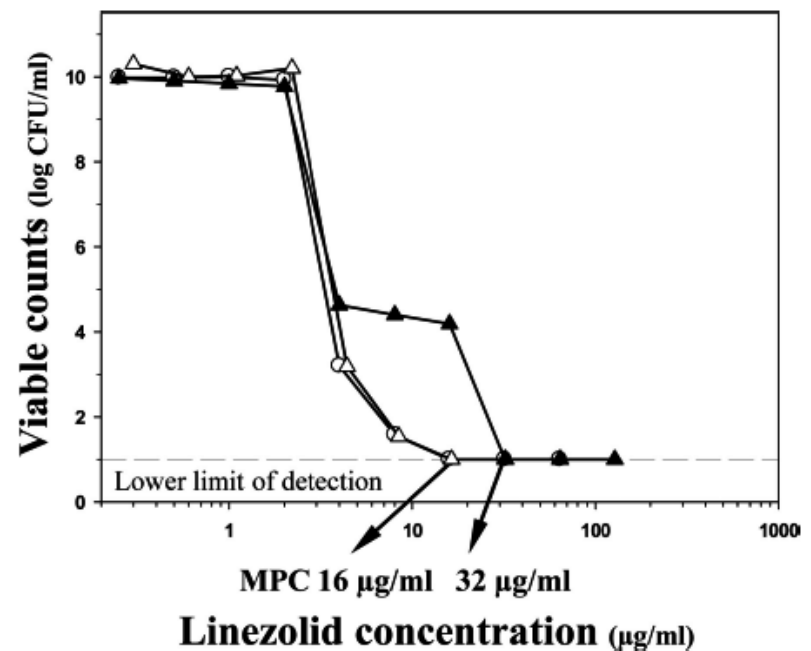


FIG 2 Linezolid MPC determination with *S. aureus* 10 alone and supplemented by RM. Symbols: ○, parent strain; △, parent strain (10¹⁰ CFU/ml) plus RM9 (10² CFU/ml); ▲, parent strain (10¹⁰ CFU/ml) plus RM9 (10⁴ CFU/ml).

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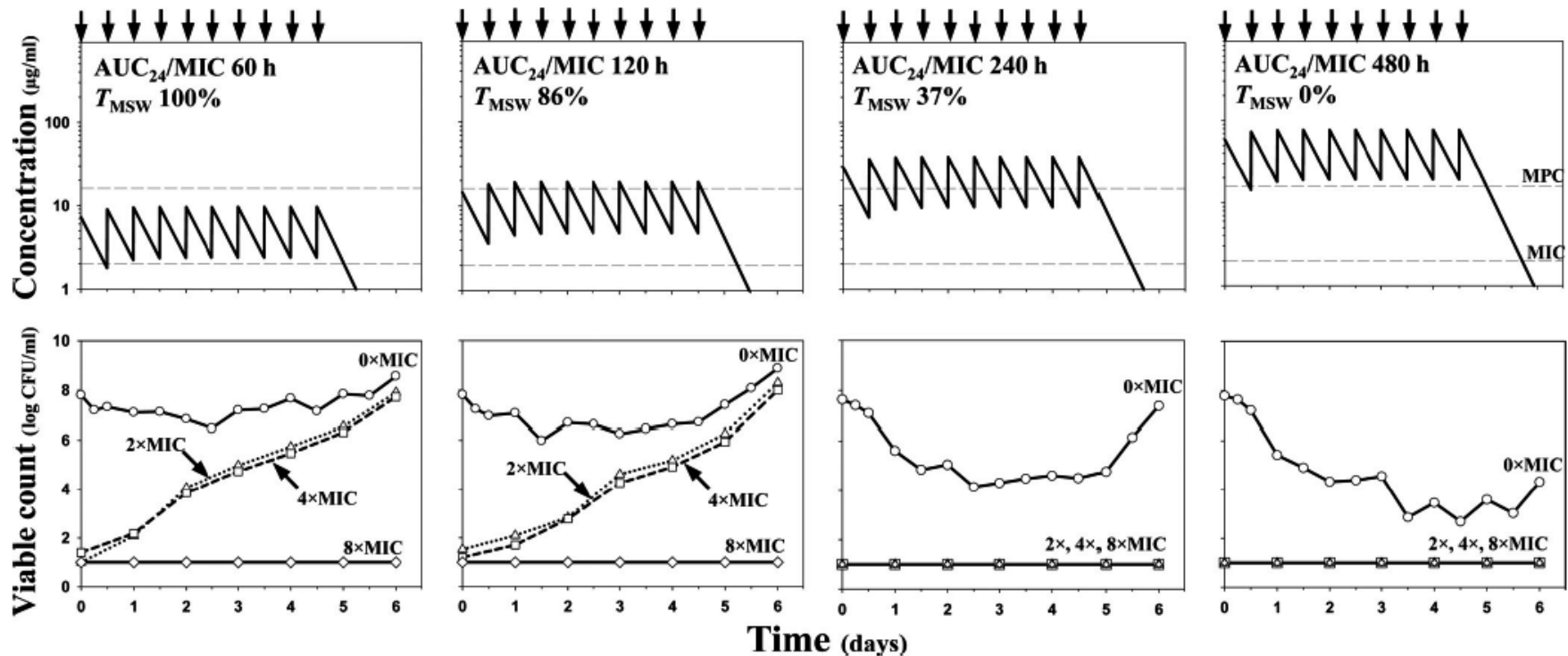


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Mutant prevention concentrations: impossible to obtain concentrations in a patient ...

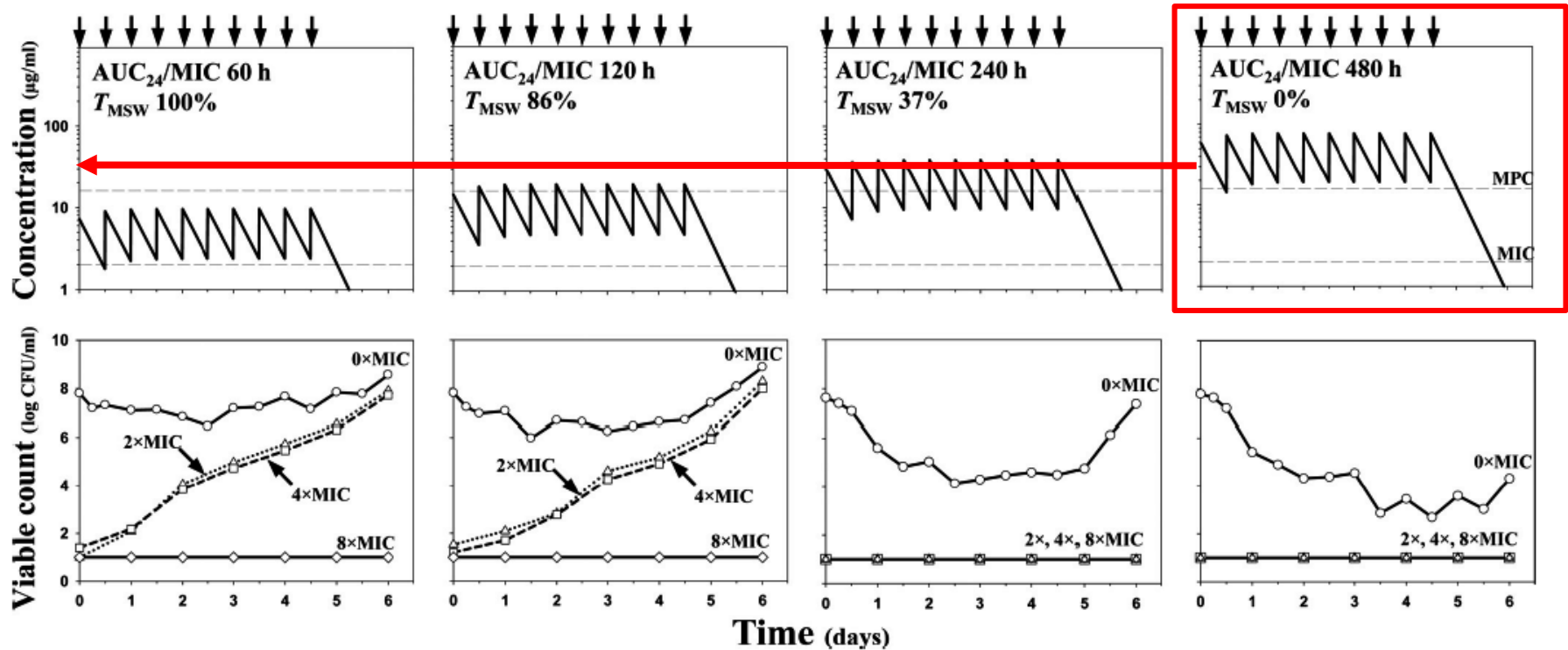
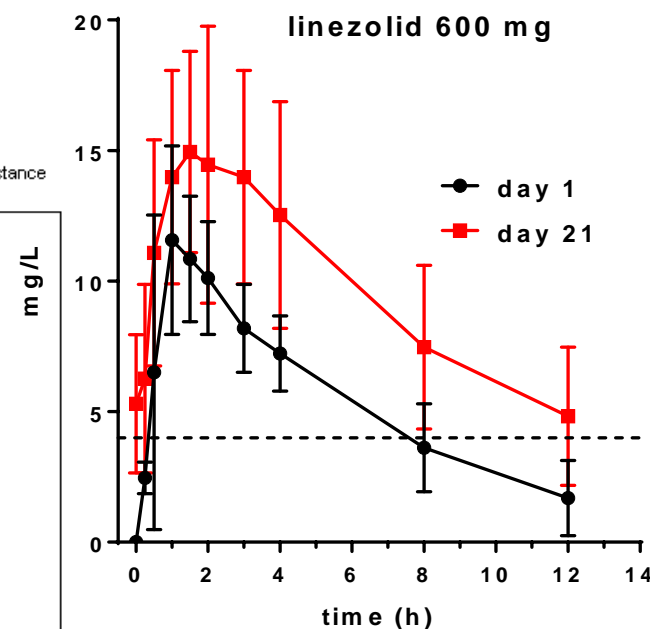
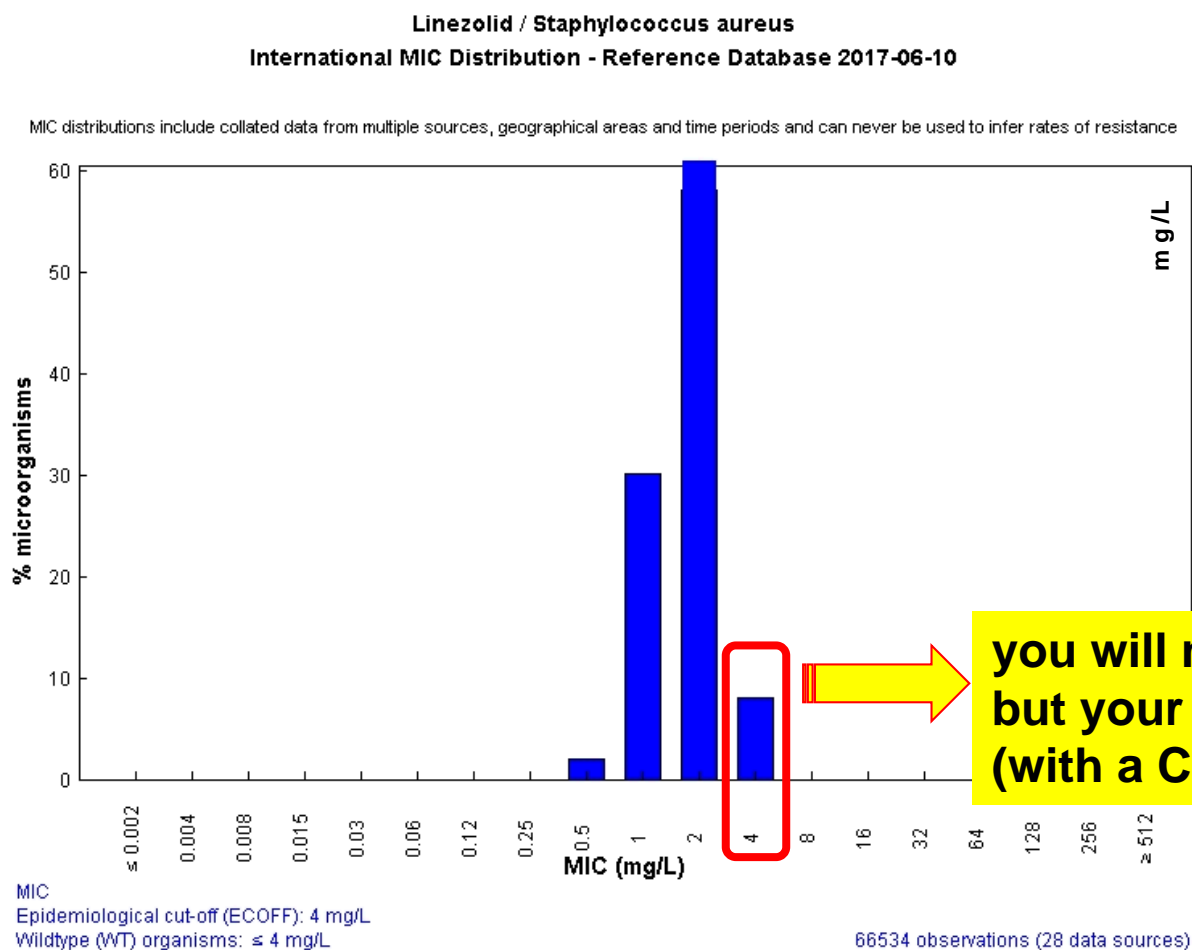


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The impossible concentration ...

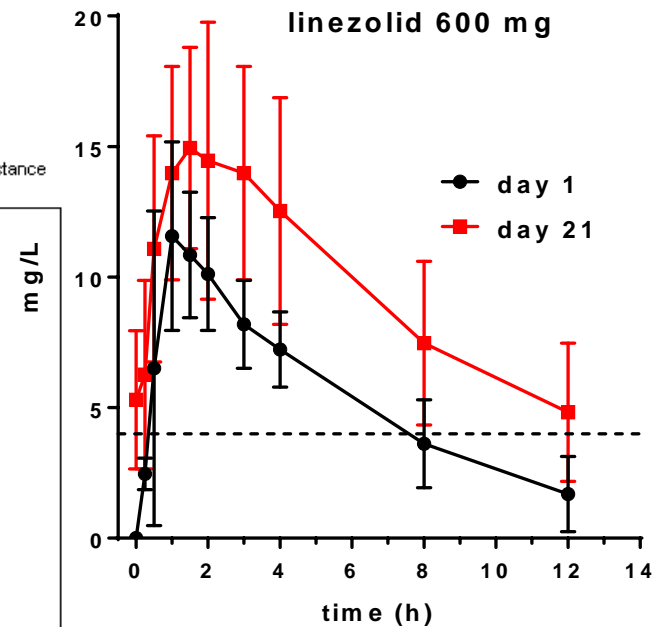
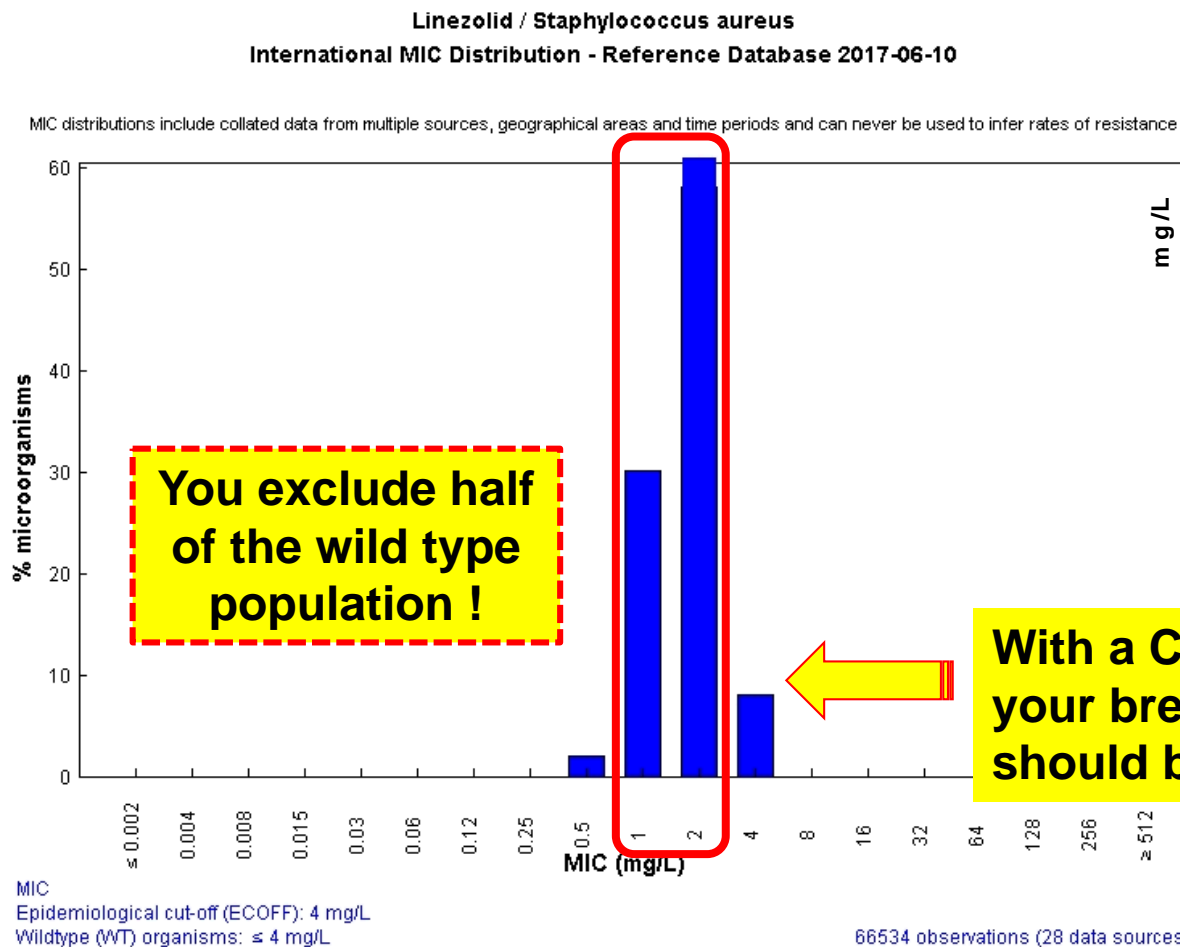
MPC is often ~ 10 x the MIC...



**you will need a C_{\max} of 40 mg/L ...
but your peak is only 10-15 mg/L
(with a C_{\min} at ~ 5 mg/L)**

The impossible breakpoint ...

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In summary...

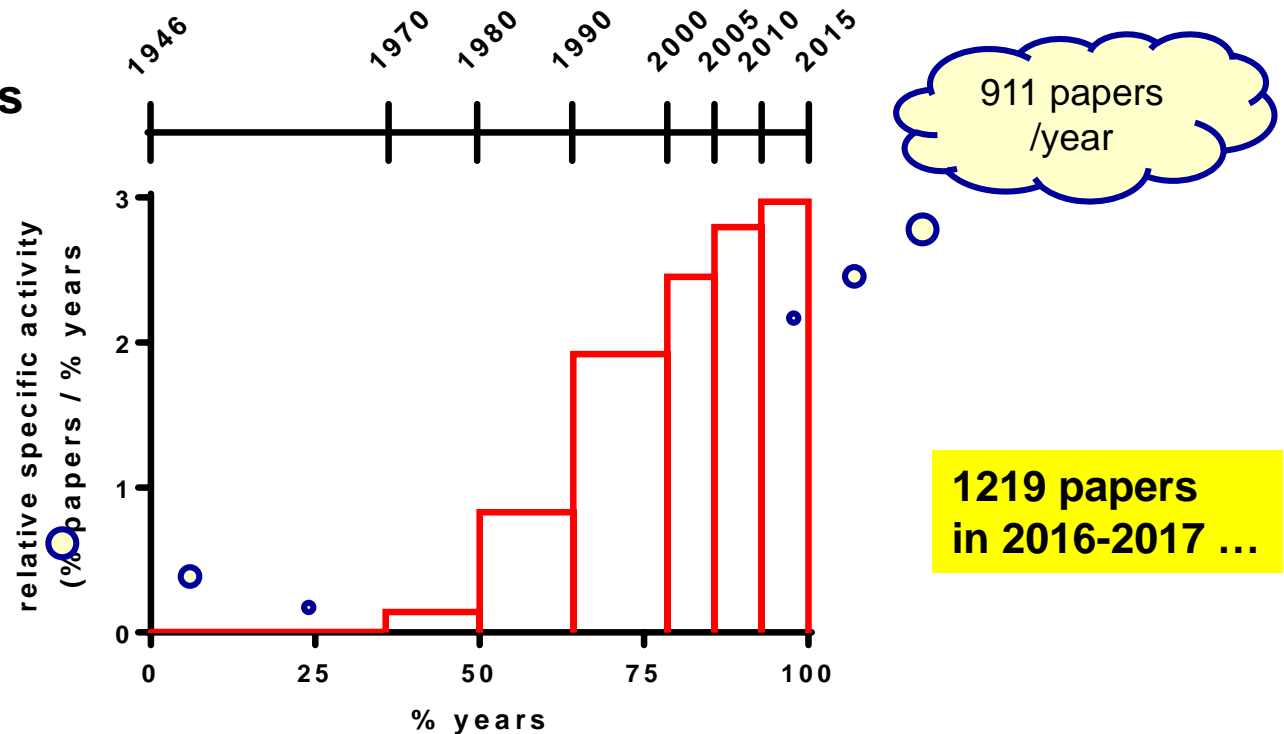
- PK/PD helps (successfully) to define the conditions of administration (doses, schedules) associated with efficacy
 - **now a requirement for registration of new antibiotics (and old ones are being revisited)**
- PK/TD approaches may also help do mitigate toxicity if dose-related (directly or indirectly)...
 - **will be increasingly used for defining safe use of antibiotics ... but will not solve all toxicity problems...**
- PK/PD and MPC show the current limits of currently available antibiotics and why we may have always emergence of resistance by selection of less susceptible subpopulations (via tolerance/persistence)
 - **we DO need new, more innovative ideas...**

Who did that ?



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but also many others



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Please, ask questions ...



Vesalius - anatomy

be critical,
ask for facts !

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