

Pharmacodynamic evaluation of the bactericidal activity of telavancin (TLV) against extracellular and intracellular MSSA and MRSA

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S. aureus as an intracellular pathogen ...

- professional phagocytes ~ reservoir

Gresham *et al.*, J. Immunol. (2000) 164:3713-22

- mammary epithelial cells ~ mastitis

Bayles *et al.*, Infect. Immun. (1998) 66:336-42

- aortic endothelial cells ~ CV diseases

Hamill *et al.*, Infect. Immun. (1986) 54:833

- osteoblasts ~ osteomyelitis

Ahmed *et al.*, Infect. Immun. (2001) 69:2872-77

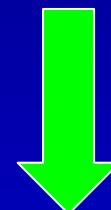
- keratinocytes ~ skin infections

Mempel *et al.*, Brit. J. Dermatol. (2002) 146:943-51

- nasal epithelial cells ~ rhinosinusitis

Clément *et al.*, J. Infect. Dis. (2005) 192:1023-8

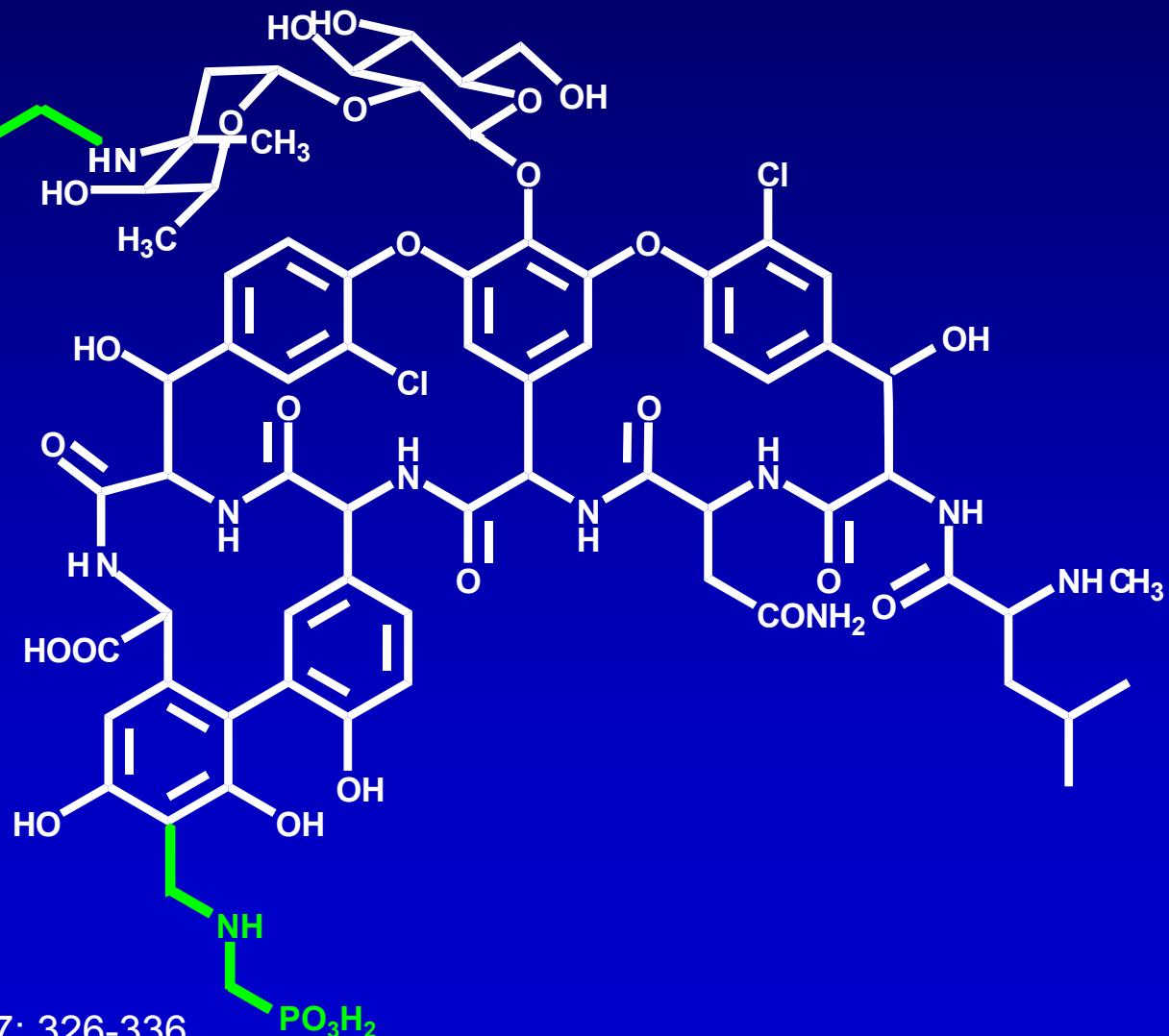
*new agents
bactericidal against
both extra- and intra-
cellular bacteria!*



TELAVANCIN
in development for
Gram-positive infections

From vancomycin to telavancin

lipophilic side chain
⇒ anchoring
in the membrane
⇒ additional
modes of action



Leadbetter *et al.* J Antibiot (2004) 57: 326-336

Telavancin is bactericidal due to multiple modes of action

Antibacterial effects	Glycopeptide concentrations			
	Telavancin		Vancomycin	
	µM	µg/ml	µM	µg/ml
Inhibition of peptidoglycan synthesis	0.14	0.2	2.0	2.9
Membrane depolarization	10	18	> 44	> 64
Rapid onset bactericidal activity	10	18	> 44	> 64

adapted from Higgins *et al.* AAC (2005) 49:1127-34

Aim of the study

Pharmacodynamic comparison of the activity of telavancin

- against the
 - extracellular forms ← culture medium
 - intracellular forms ← J774 mouse macrophages
THP-1 human macrophages
- of
 - MSSA ← ATCC 25923 & ATCC 29213
 - MRSA ← ATCC 33591 & ATCC 43300

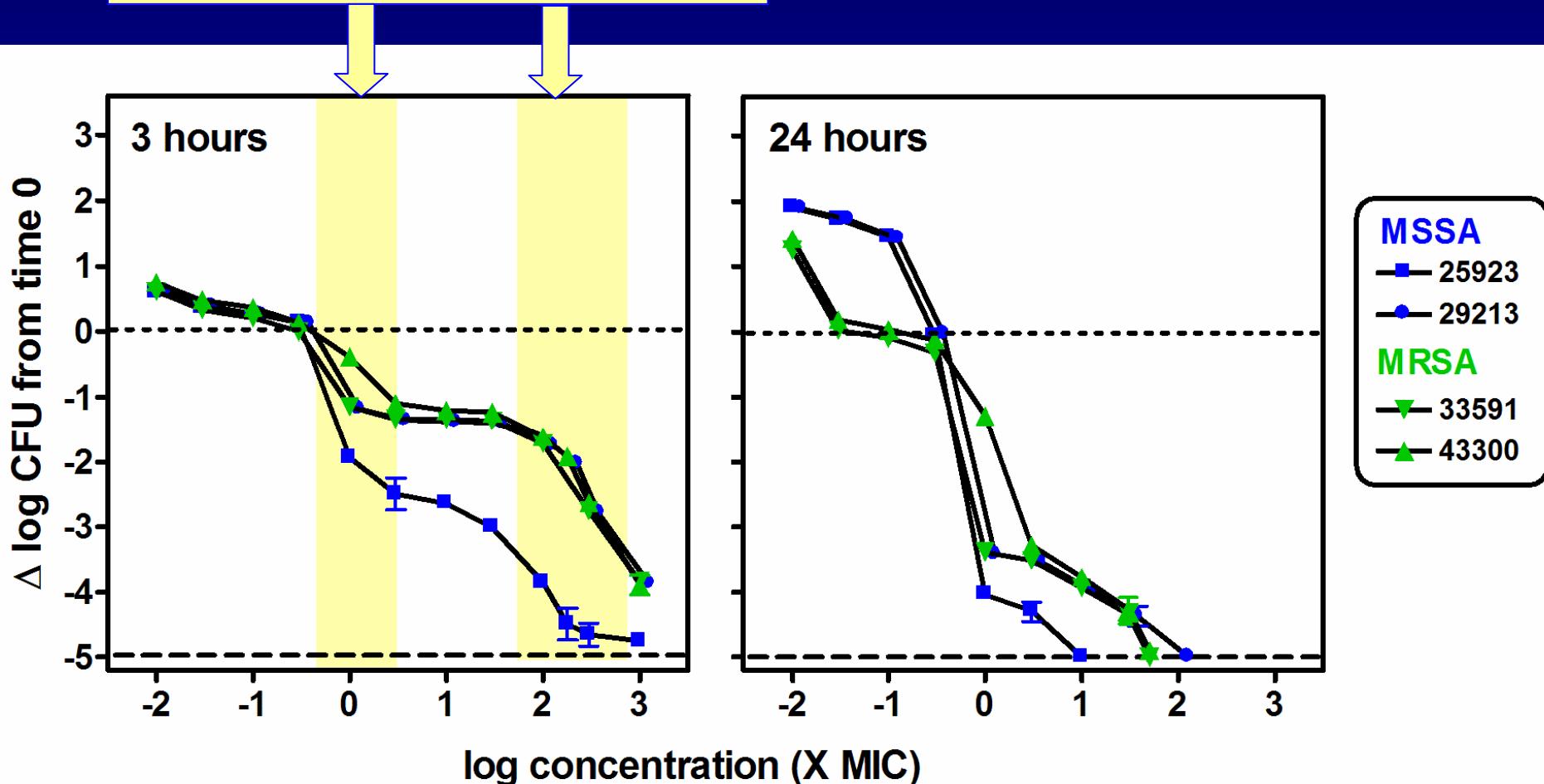
Full description of the intracellular models:

Seral *et al.*, AAC (2003) 47:2283-92

Barcia-Macay *et al.*, AAC (2006) 50:841-51

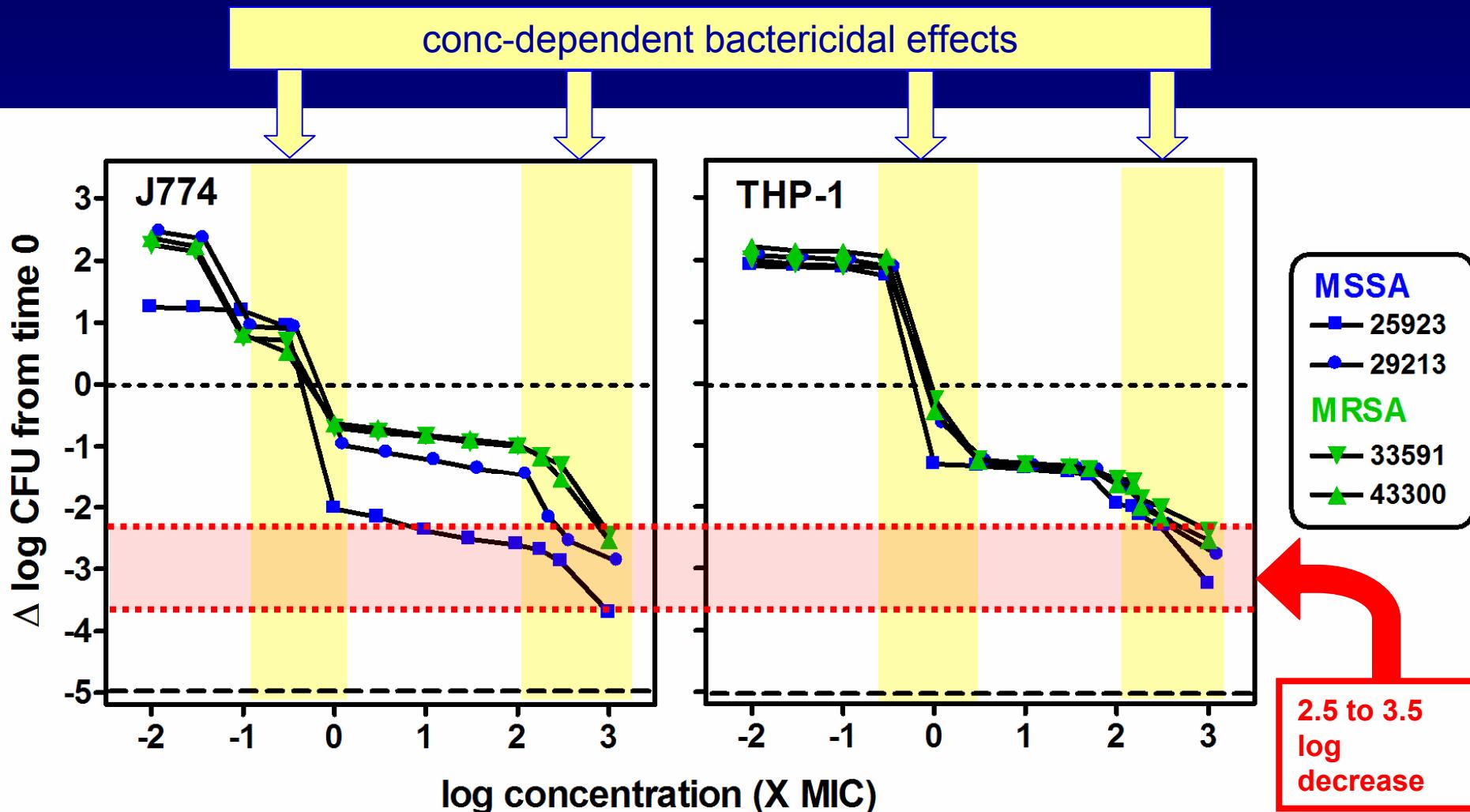
Extracellular activity

conc-dependent bactericidal effects

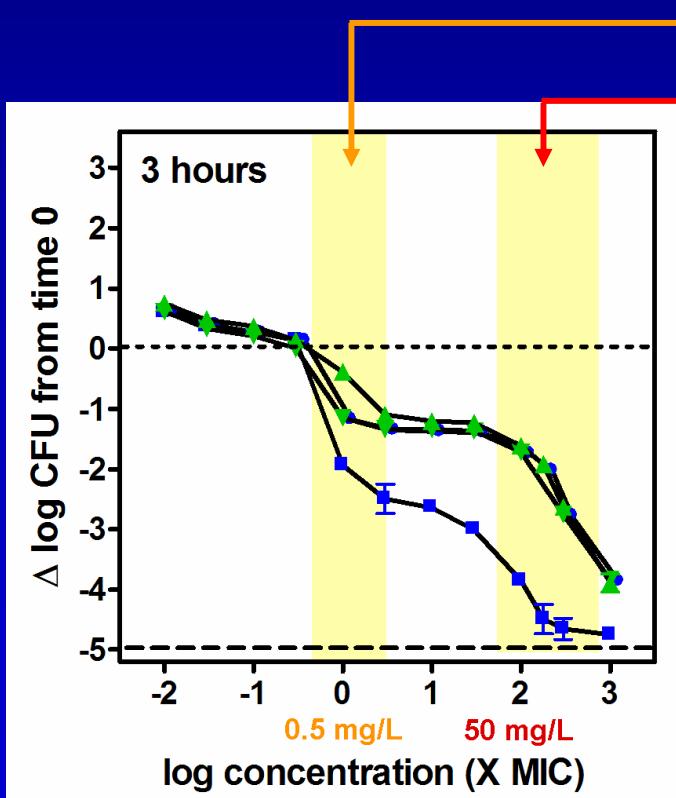


MIC = 0.5 μ g/ml for all strains

Intracellular activity



Bimodal curve : dual mode of action ?



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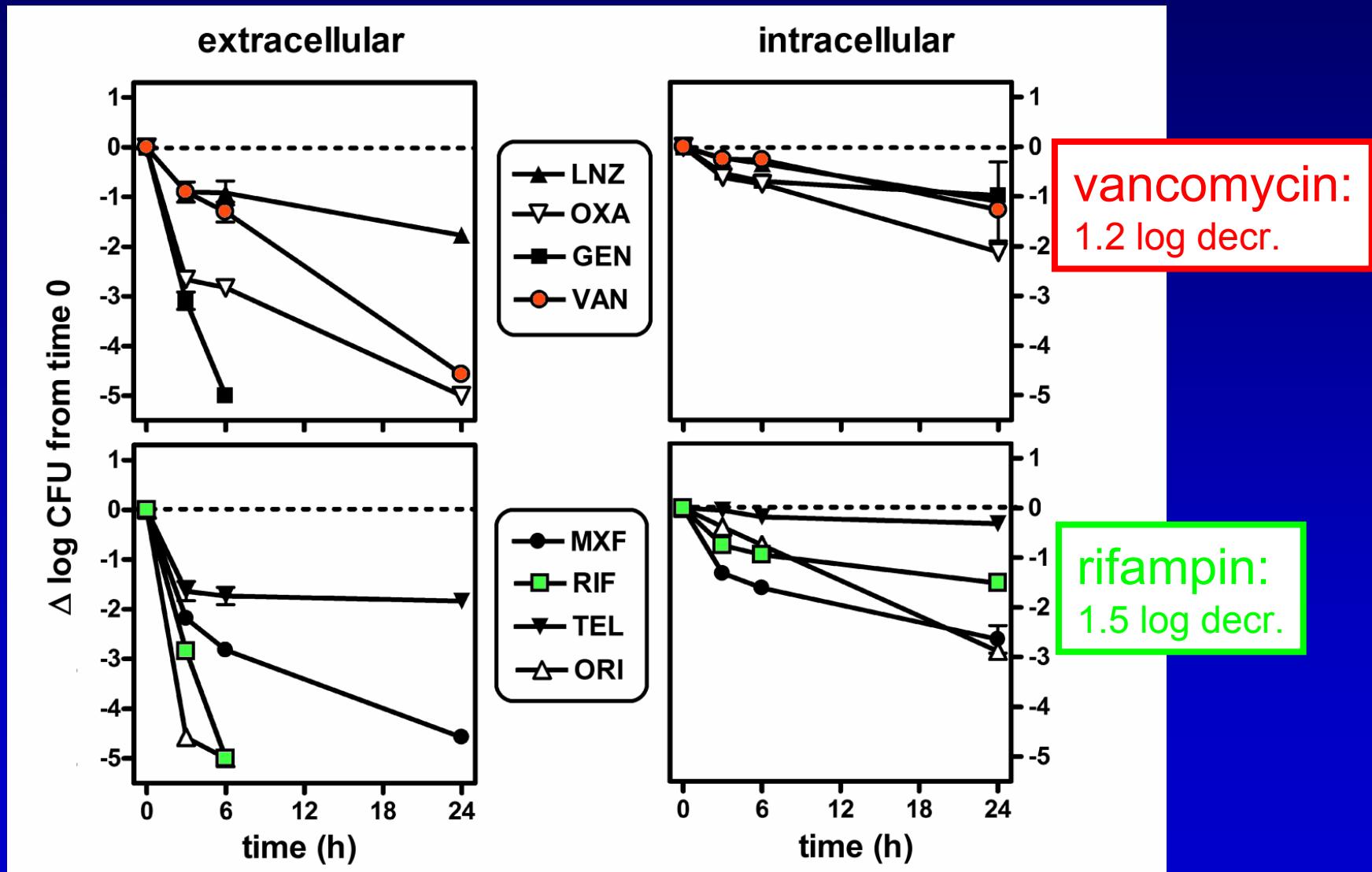
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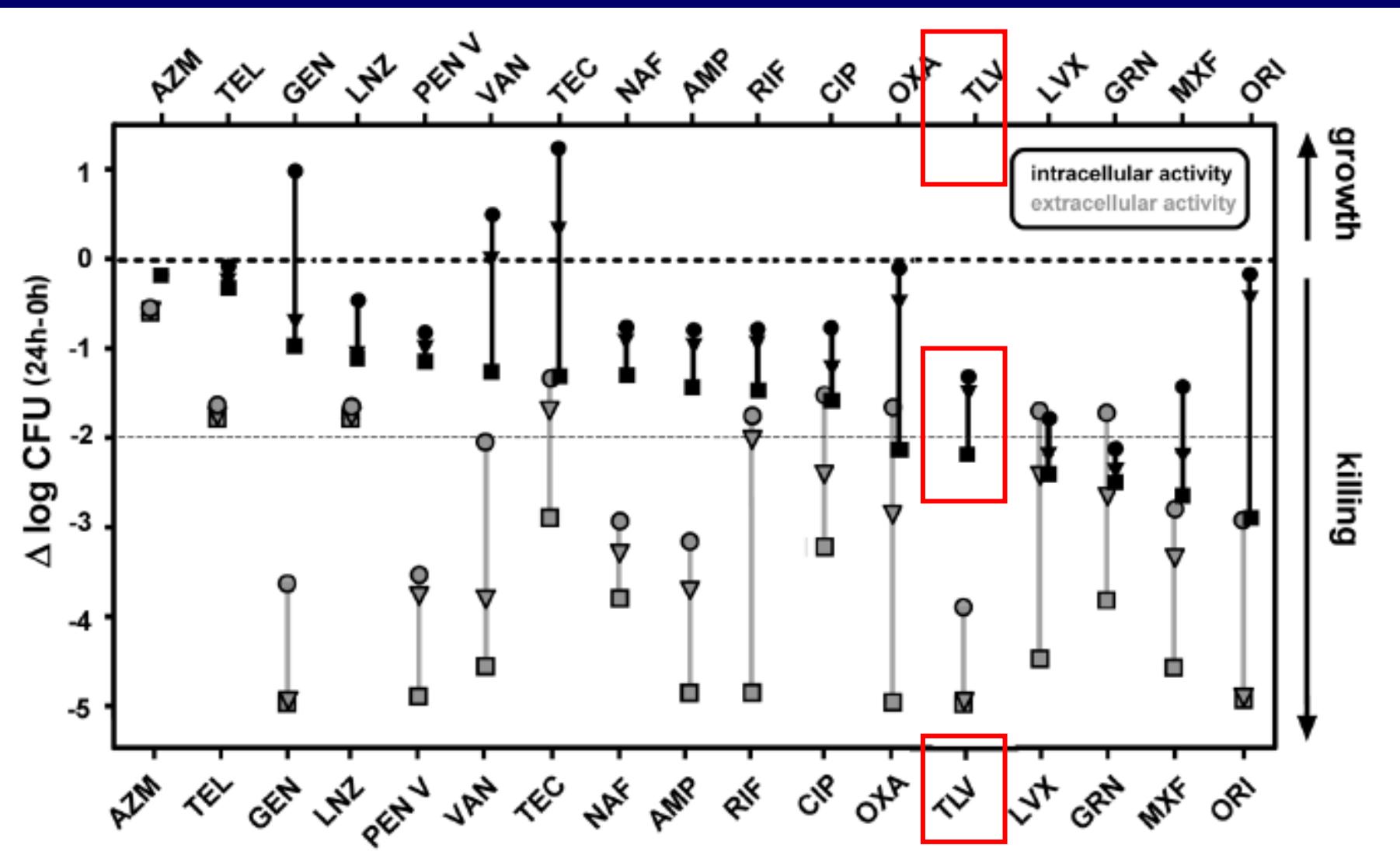
As a comparison in the same model

(AAC 2006; 50(3):841-851) ...



As further comparison in the same model

(Data on file)



Conclusions

Telavancin shows towards both MSSA and MRSA

- Extracellularly:
 - at 3 h : concentration-dependent bactericidal effect
 - at 24 h : sterilization of the culture ...
- Intracellularly:
 - at 24 h :
 - concentration-dependent bactericidal effect;
 - in both J774 (murine) and THP1 (human) macrophages
 - $2.5\text{-}3.5 \log_{10}$ reduction in cell-associated CFU, which is among the largest observed so far for registered antibiotics

(see Barcia-Macay et al., Antimicrob. Agents Chemother. (2006) 50(3):841-851)

General Conclusions

- Telavancin is a lipoglycopeptide that shows activity towards cell-associated *S. aureus* that is clearly faster and superior to vancomycin.
- The data, therefore, supports the use of telavancin in infections where intracellular *S. aureus* may play an important role in the pathogenicity and persistence of the infection.
- The fact that intracellular activity is, nevertheless, weaker than the extracellular one (as for all other antibiotics examined so far) remains unexplained.