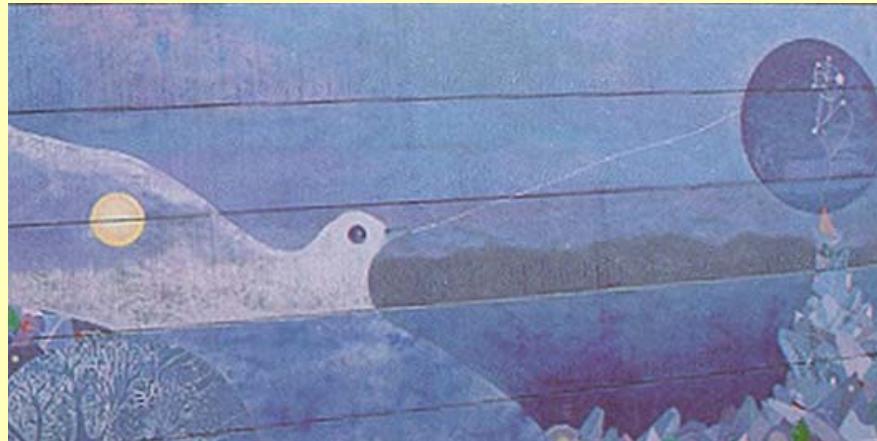


# ***S. aureus*: what do we need to know (and to do) in 2007 ?**

**The new antistaphylococcal drugs  
(tigecycline, daptomycin, telavancin, ...):**



**is the future (really) shining ?**

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# do we need new drugs ?



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## « old » antibiotics: still usable for CA-MRSA !

Community-acquired methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*  
antibiotic susceptibilities in 45 samples

Antibacterial Agent	Samples, n (%)		
	Susceptible	Resistant	Intermediate
Vancomycin	45 (100)	—	—
Rifampin	41 (91.1)	4 (8.9)	—
TMP-SMX	45 (100)	—	—
Tetracycline	45 (100)	—	—
Ciprofloxacin	29 (64.4)	7 (15.6)	9 (20.0)
Linezolid	45 (100)	—	—
Clindamycin*	43 (95.6)	2 (4.4)	—
Erythromycin	9 (20)	36 (80)	—
Daptomycin†	45 (100)	—	—

TMP-SMX = trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole.

\*A total of 8 isolates (18.6%) demonstrated inducible resistance.

†According to the manufacturer,  $\geq 16$ -mm zone is considered susceptible.



## « old » antibiotics: still usable for CA-MRSA !

### Suggested Doses of Antimicrobial Agents for the Treatment of CA-MRSA Infections in Adult Patients

Antimicrobial Agent	Oral Dose <sup>a</sup>
Clindamycin	300–450 mg tid
Doxycycline, minocycline	100 mg bid
Gatifloxacin	400 mg qd
Levofloxacin	750 mg qd
Linezolid	600 mg bid
Moxifloxacin	400 mg qd
Trimethoprim/ sulfamethoxazole	320 mg bid (trimethoprim; equivalent to 2 double-strength tablets)

<sup>a</sup>Doses assume normal renal function.



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**...**



**What will be your choice ?**



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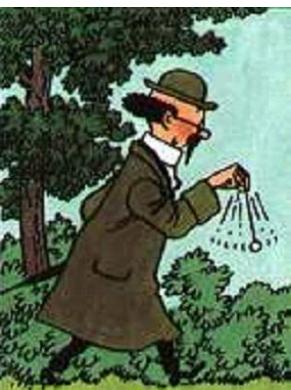
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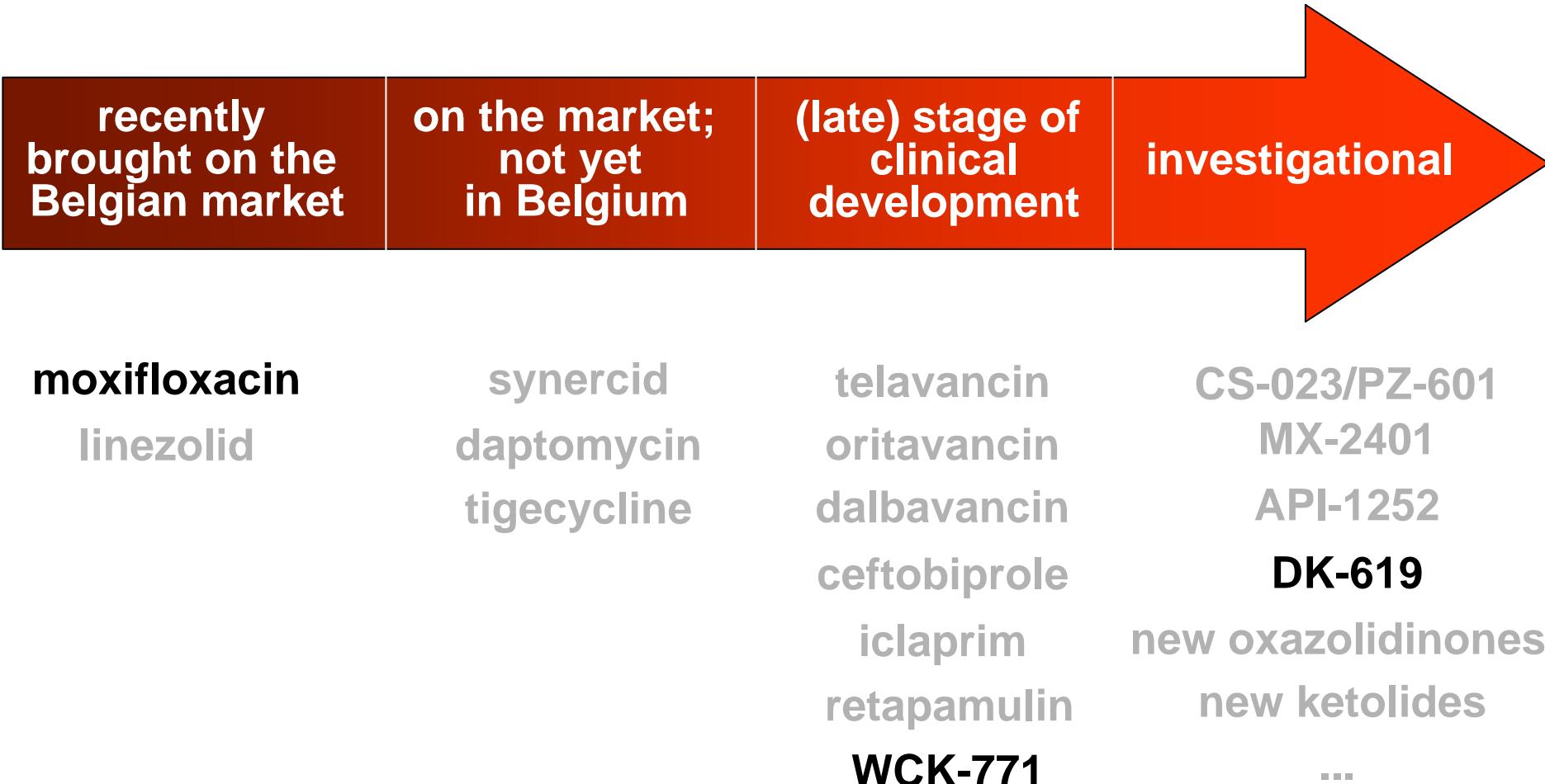
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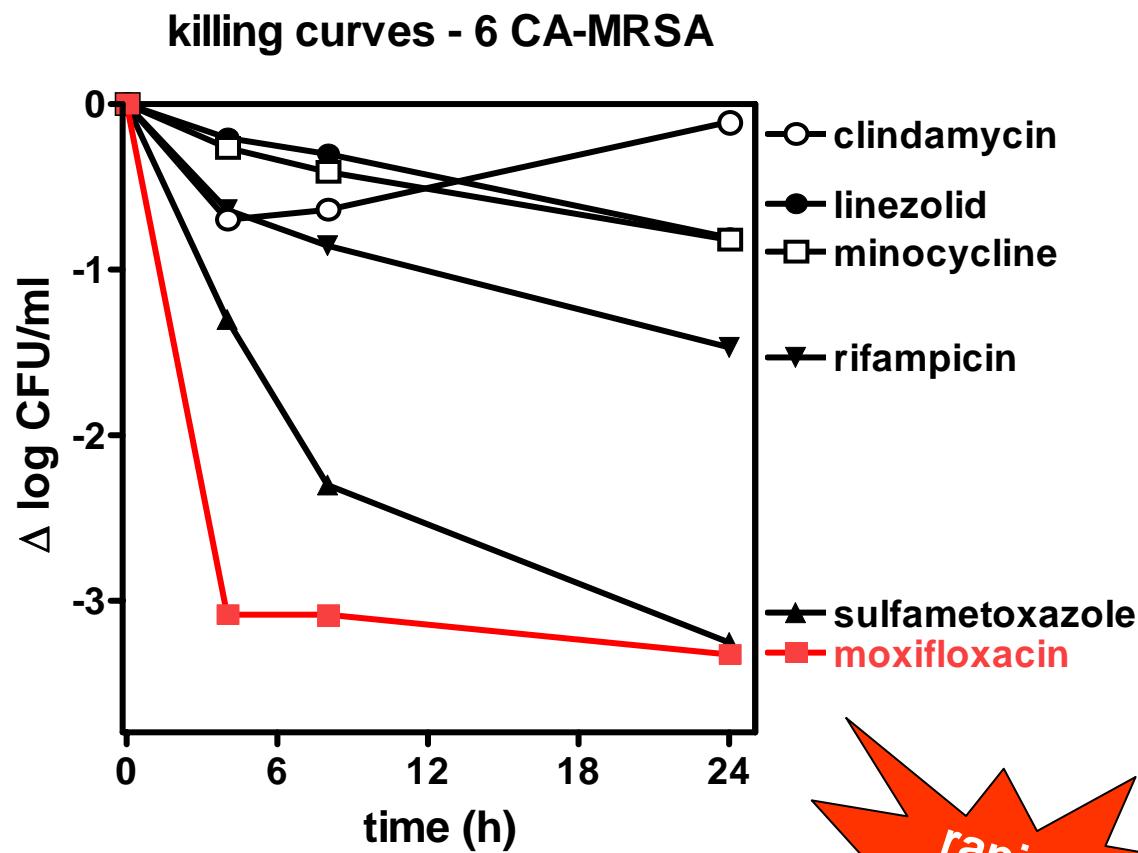


**Let's try to find a way ...**

# recent and novel agents for *S. aureus*



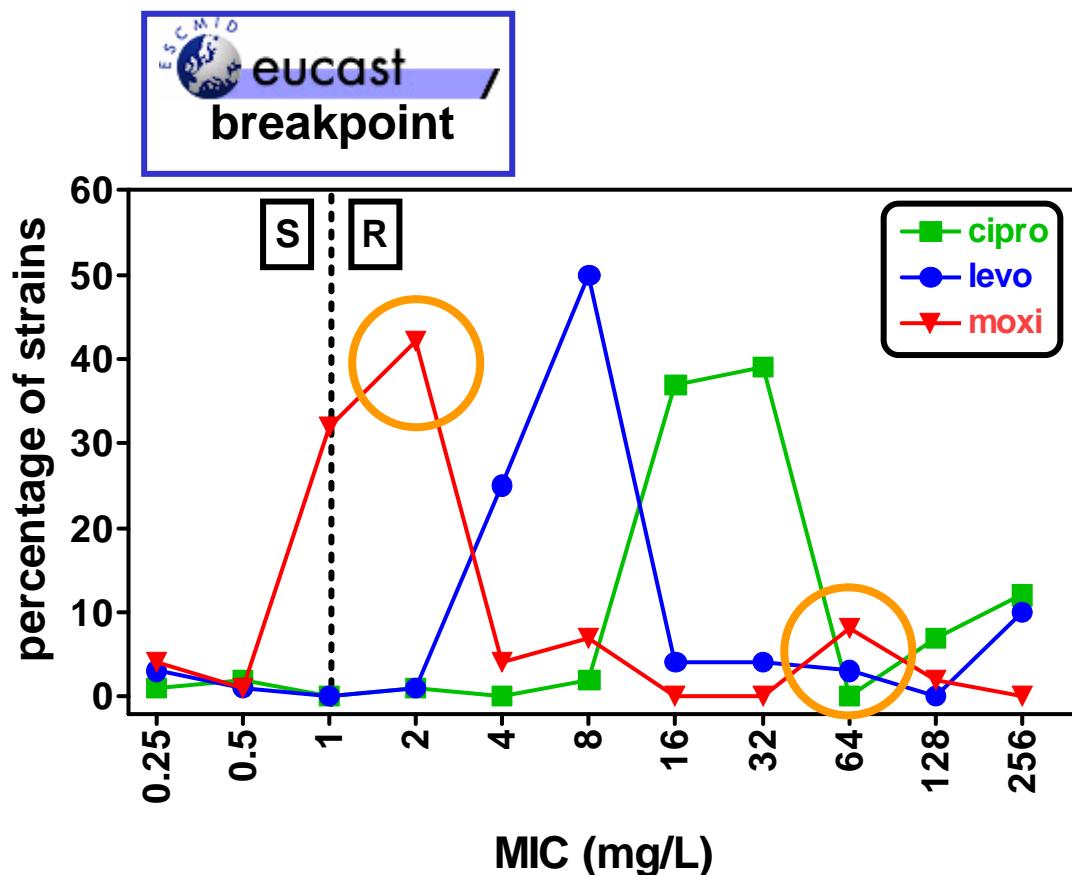
# moxifloxacin and CA-MRSA



# moxifloxacin: in vitro data

Distribution of MICs for 100 MRSA collected in 2002

Lowest MICs  
among currently  
available  
quinolones,  
but ...



low level  
resistance

high level  
resistance

# moxifloxacin: pros and cons

- rapidly bactericidal
- easy switch iv-po
- once-a-day
- no major toxicity issue  
(already quite large clinical experience)

- cross resistance with other quinolones even if MIC lower → CA-MRSA only
- risk of ↑ QTc interval (drug interactions !)

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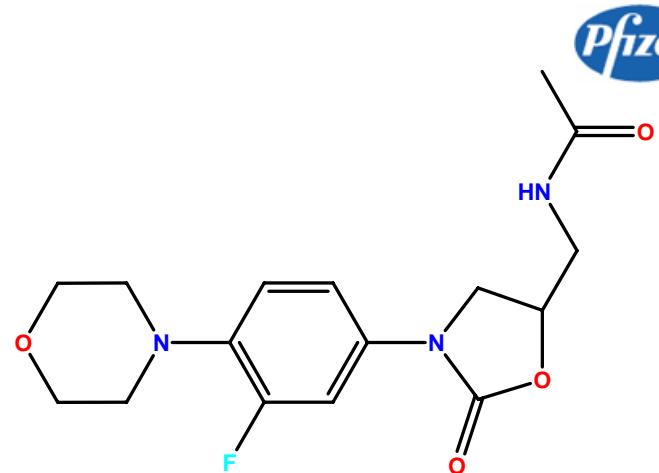
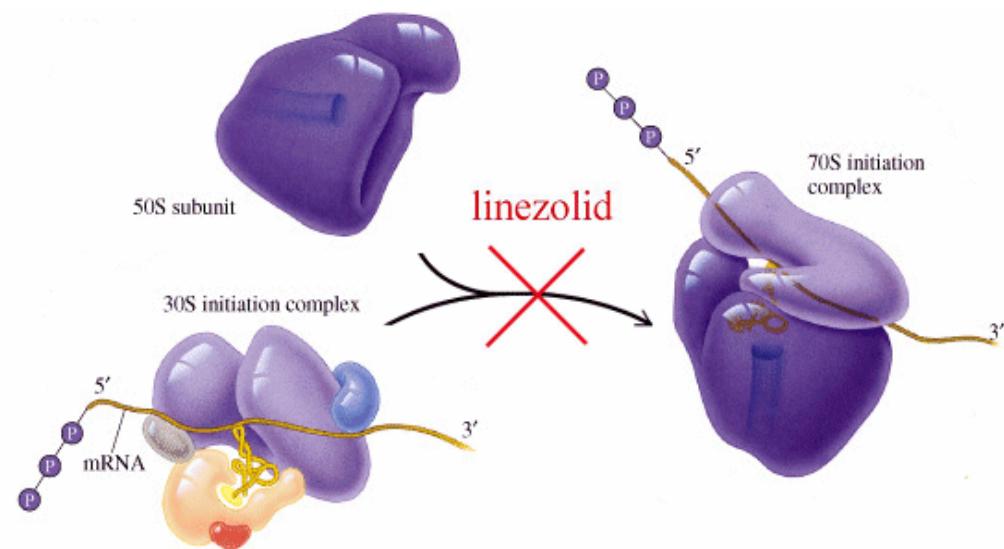
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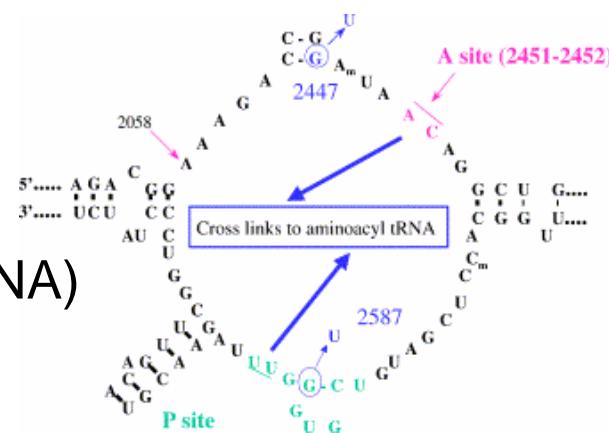
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# linezolid



- inhibits the formation of the initiation complex
- no cross resistance with other drugs acting on protein synthesis (MLS)
- resistance considered for long as improbable ... but now well described (due to mutations in 23S rRNA)



# linezolid: in vitro data

*Distribution of MICs for 60 MRSA collected from diabetic foot*

drug	range	MIC 50	MIC 90	eucast / breakpoint
vancomycin	0.5-1	0.5	1	8
linezolid	2-8	4	4	4

We slowly reach the limit ...

# linezolid: in vitro data

## Susceptibility of MRSA by site of isolation

Site	Patients (n, %)	Teicoplanin MIC (mg/L)			Linezolid MIC (mg/L)		
		MIC <sub>50</sub>	MIC <sub>90</sub>	range	MIC <sub>50</sub>	MIC <sub>90</sub>	range
Blood	22 (2.4%)	3	4	1.5–16	1.5	2	0.75–2
Catheter tip	20 (2.2%)	3	8	1.5–24	1.5	2	0.38–2
Nose/perineum	166 (18.1%)	3	8	1.5–32	1.5	2	0.38–3
Sputum/tracheal aspirate	48 (5.2%)	3	8	1.5–32	1.5	2	0.75–3
Wound	35 (3.8%)	4	8	0.25–24	1.5	2	0.75–4



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again we approach the limit ...

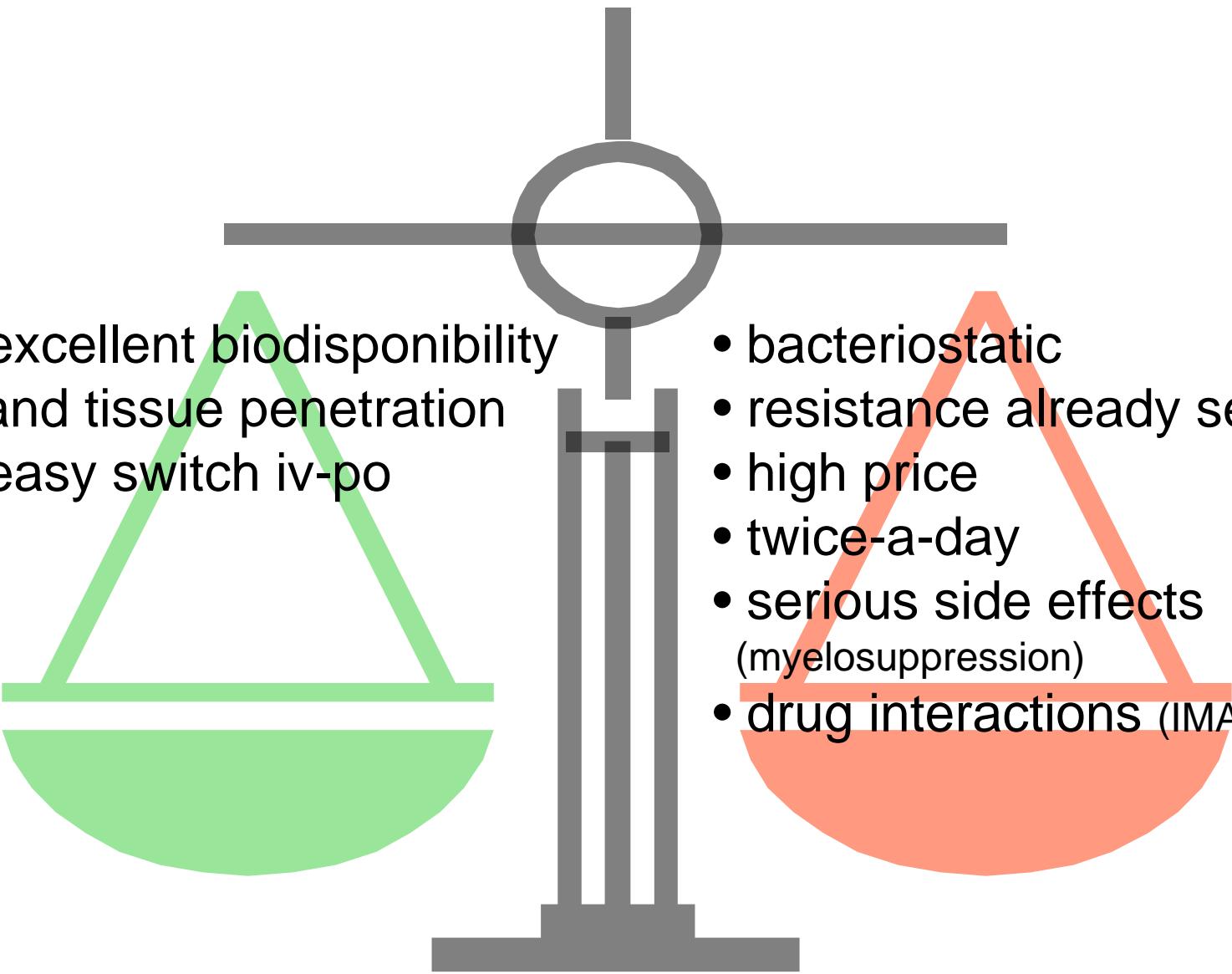
# linezolid: clinical experience

indication	Linezolid 600 mg iv/po 2x/day	Vancomycin 1g iv 2x/day
cSSTI (1180)	99.2 %	88.5 %
Osteomyelitis (66)	84.8 %	--
MRSA bacteraemia (53)	56 %	46 %
nosocomial pneumonia (1019)	53 %	52.2 %
MRSA (160)	59 %	35.5 %

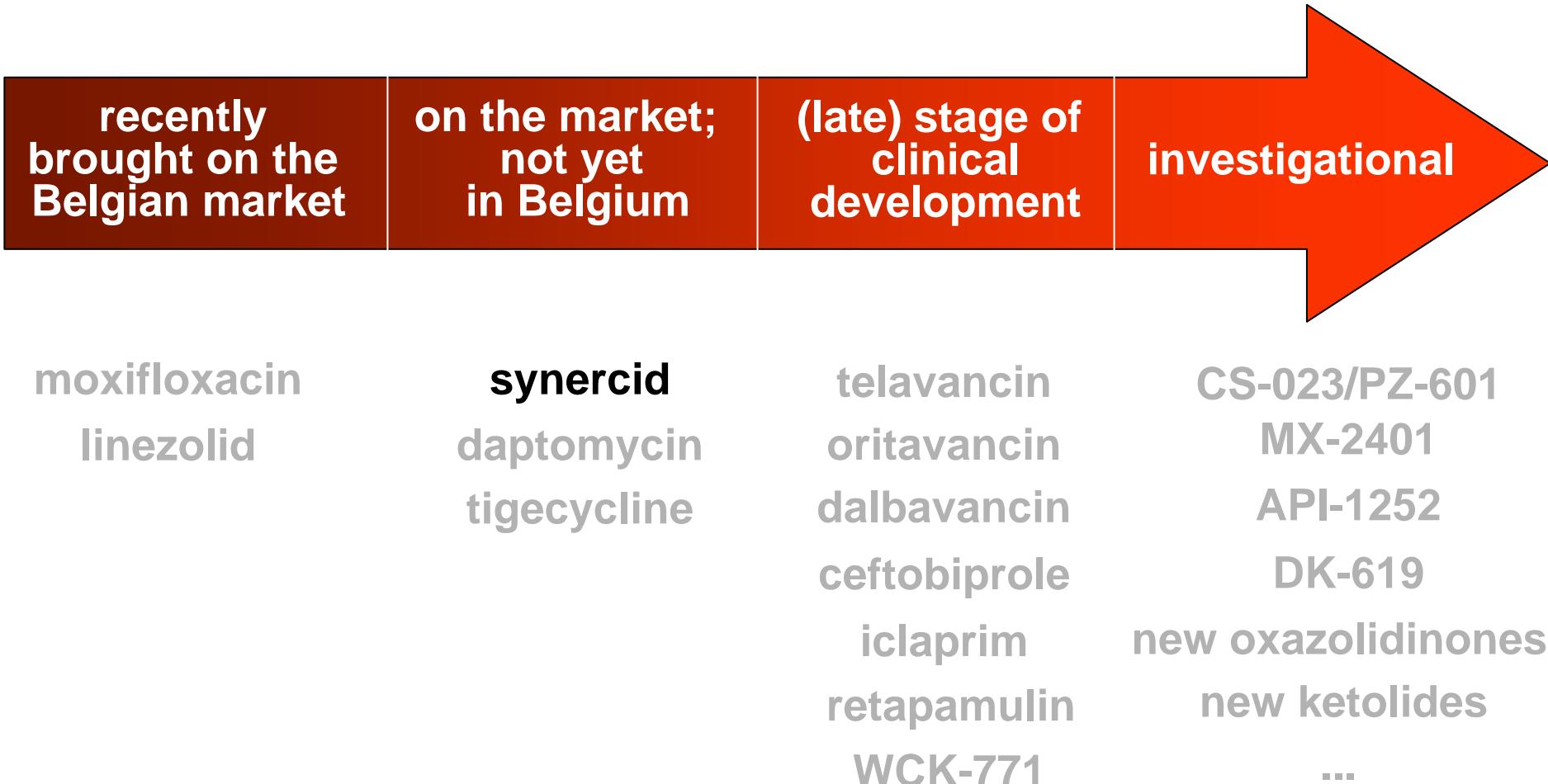
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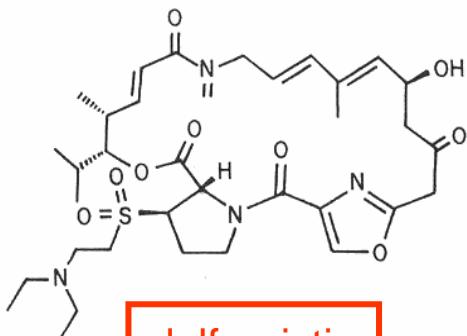
# linezolid: pros and cons

- 
- excellent biodisponibility and tissue penetration
  - easy switch iv-po
  - bacteriostatic
  - resistance already selected
  - high price
  - twice-a-day
  - serious side effects (myelosuppression)
  - drug interactions (IMAO)

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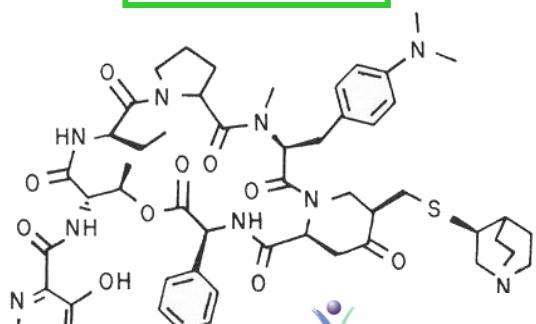
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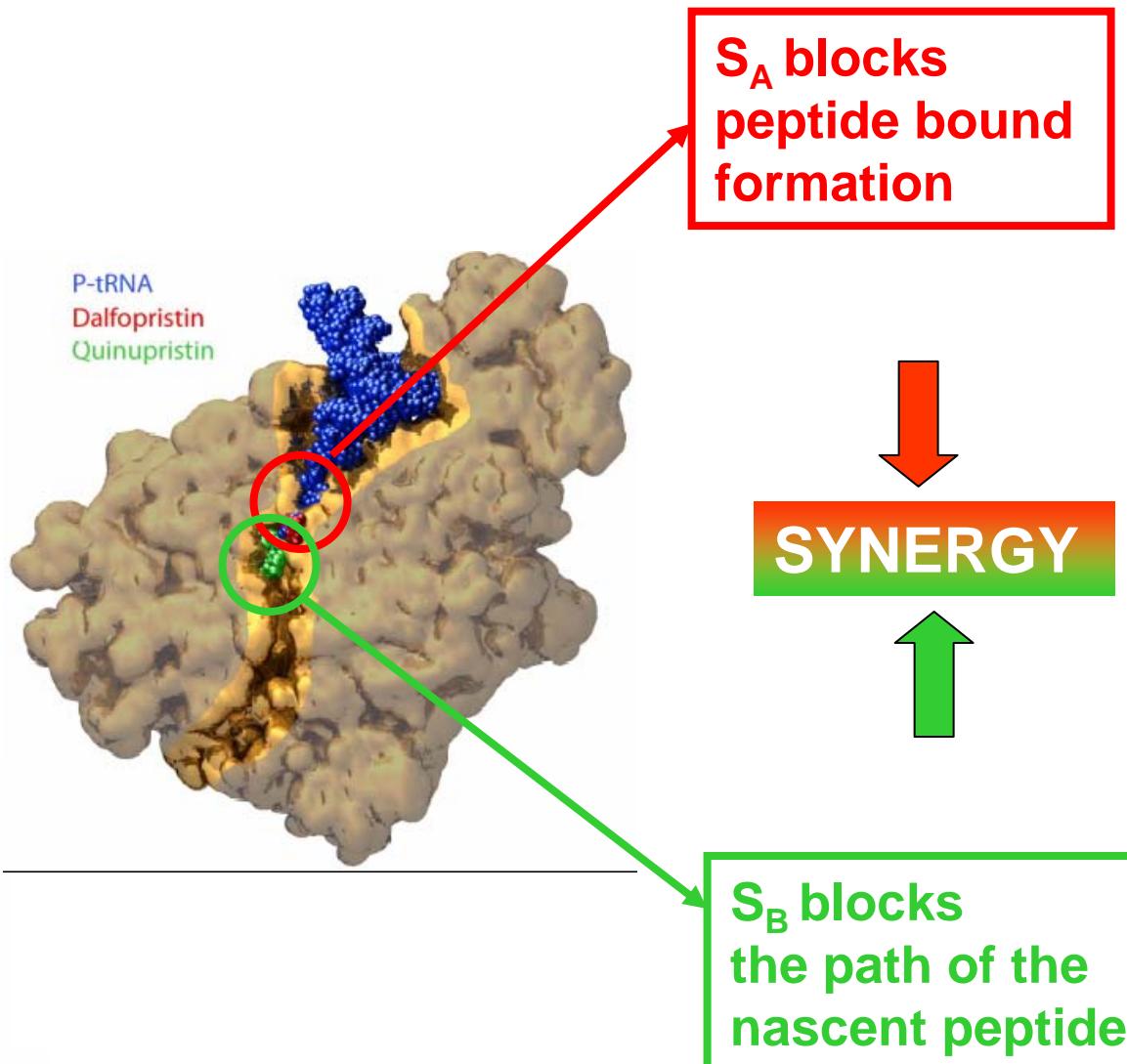
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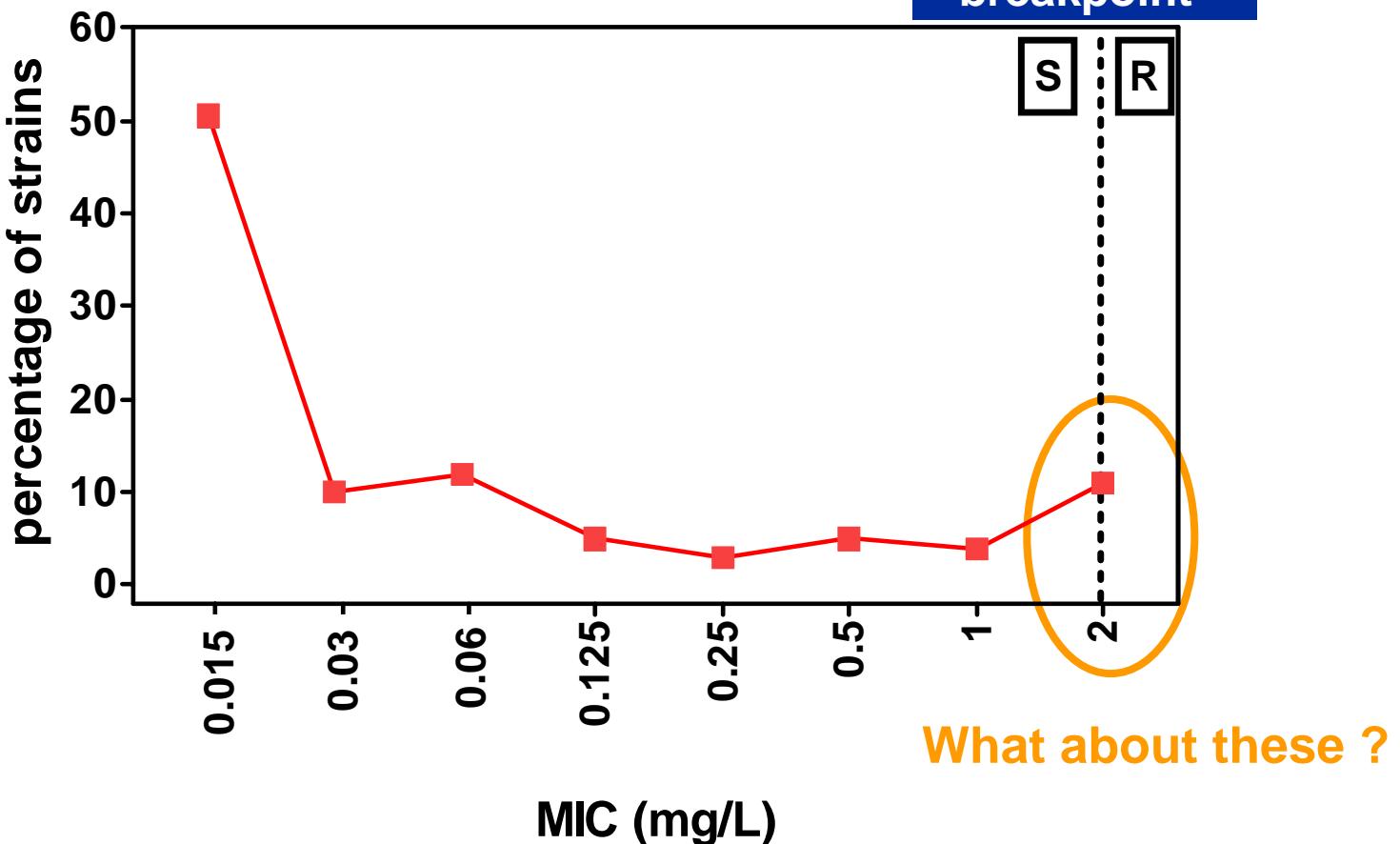


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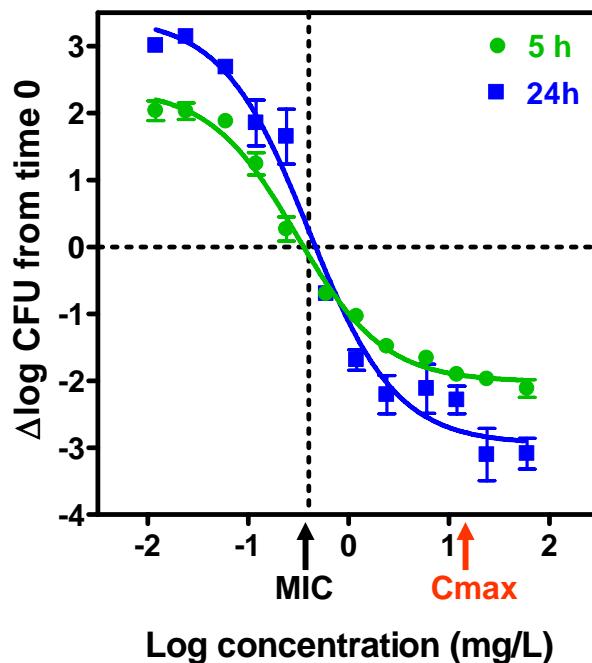
# synercid: in vitro data

Susceptibility of 101 MRSA



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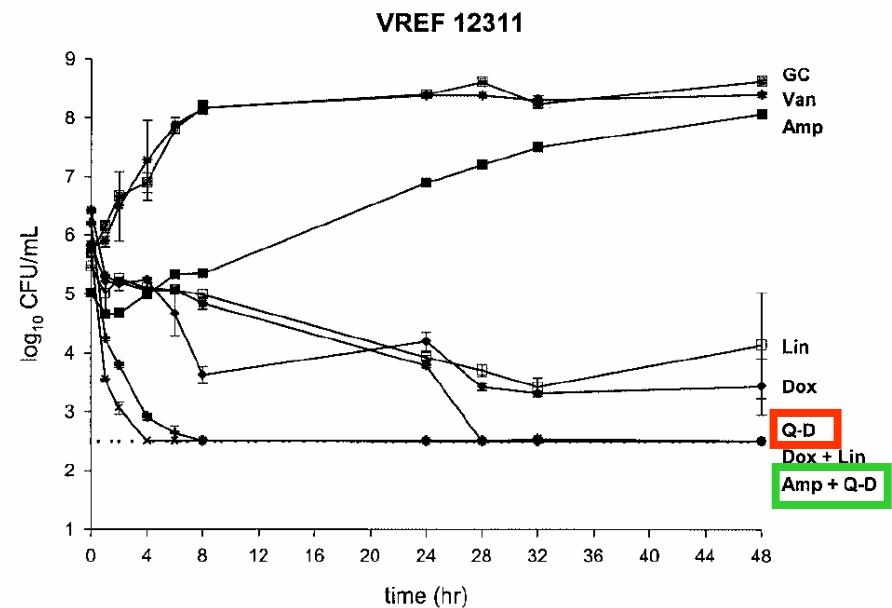
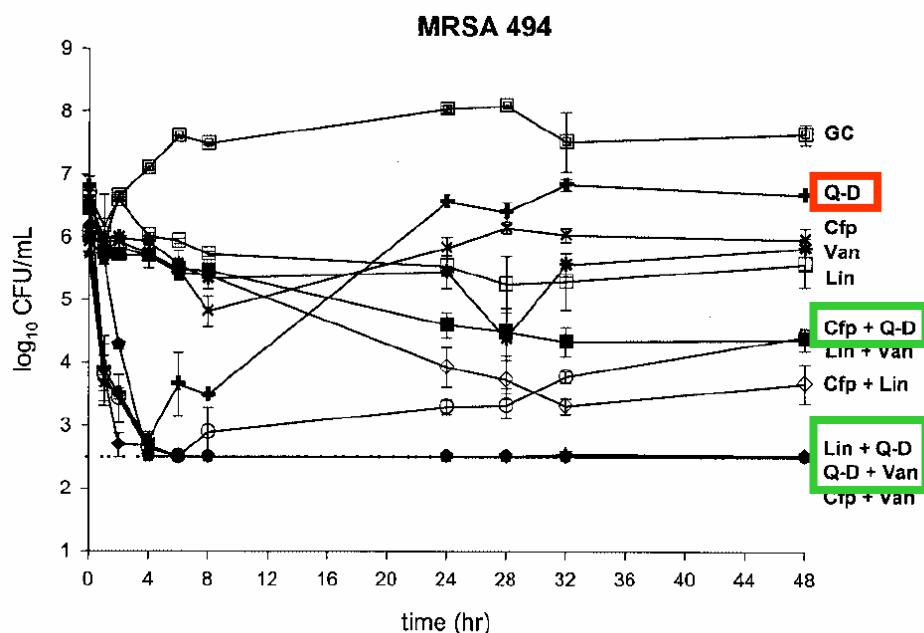
*In vitro models - MRSA*



time- and concentration-dependent bactericidal effect

# synercid: in vitro data

## *In vitro pharmacodynamic models*



- poorly active alone against MRSA; highly active on VRE
- combinations synergistic towards MRSA

# synercid : pros and cons

- highly active on VRE
- synergistic in vitro with many ABs

- poorly bactericidal against MRSA
- bid or tid administration
- no oral route
- cross-resistance with ML
- drug interactions (CYP450 3A4)  
caution with drugs prolonging QTc
- myalgia/arthritis frequent
- high price
- not studied in children

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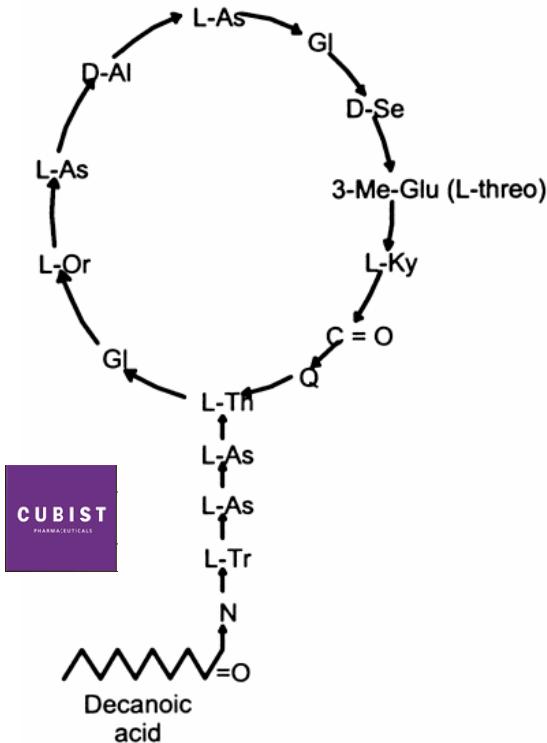
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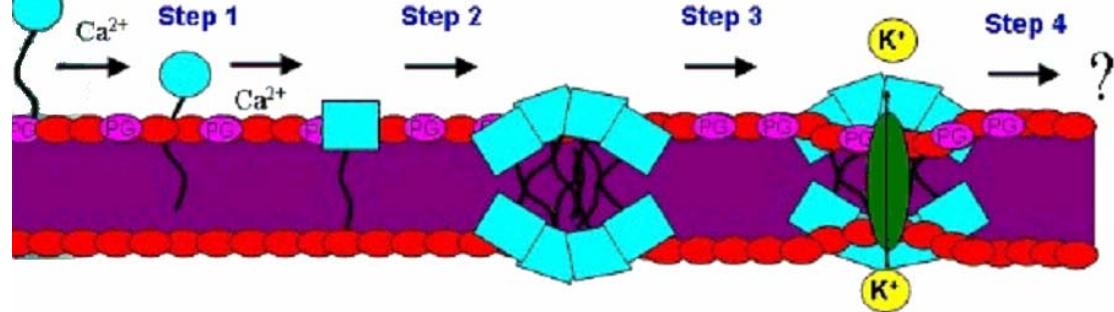
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# daptomycin



## 4-Step Intoxication Model



- Step 1: Calcium-dependent PG binding/insertion
- Step 2: Oligomerization (micelle formation)
- Step 3: Membrane distortion and ion leakage, depolarization
- Step 4: Lethal downstream events

- very bactericidal towards Gram (+) organisms through membrane destabilization
- spare mammalian cells because they lack phosphatidylglycerol (critical for binding to Gram(+) membranes)
- fast track registration in the US because of activity against vancomycin-resistant enterococci (VRE)
- indications: cSSTI; Phase III trial on bacteremia completed

# daptomycin: in vitro data

*Distribution of MICs for 60 MRSA collected from diabetic foot*

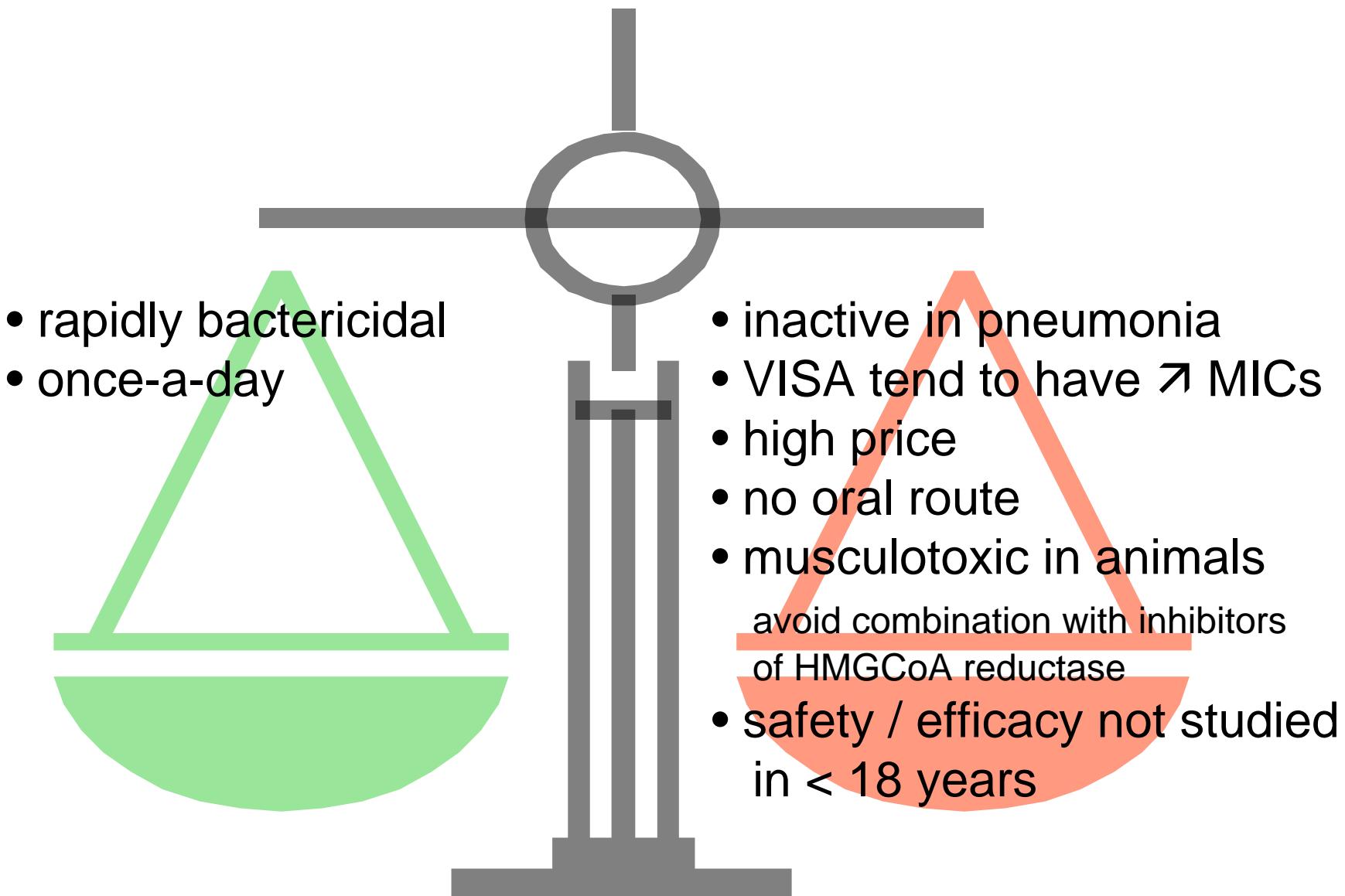
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daptomycin	0.25-1	0.5	0.5	1

wait and see ...

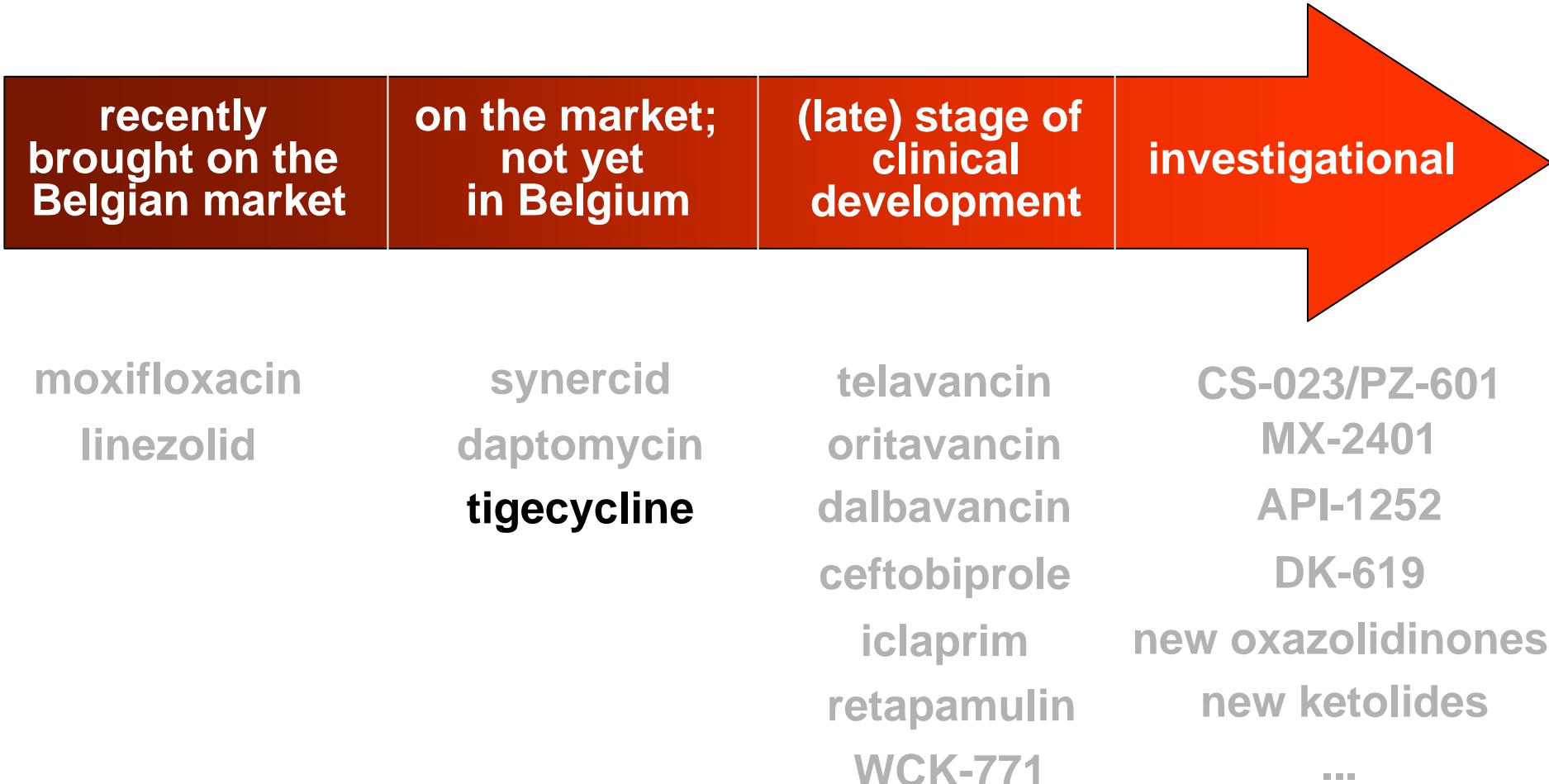
# daptomycin: clinical experience

indication	Daptomycin iv 1x/day	Vancomycin or $\beta$ -lactam
cSSTI (902) MRSA (28-36)	4 mg/kg	83.4 % 75 %
bloodstream (31) MRSA (11) VRE (11)	6 mg/kg	77 % 100 % 45 %

# daptomycin: pros and cons

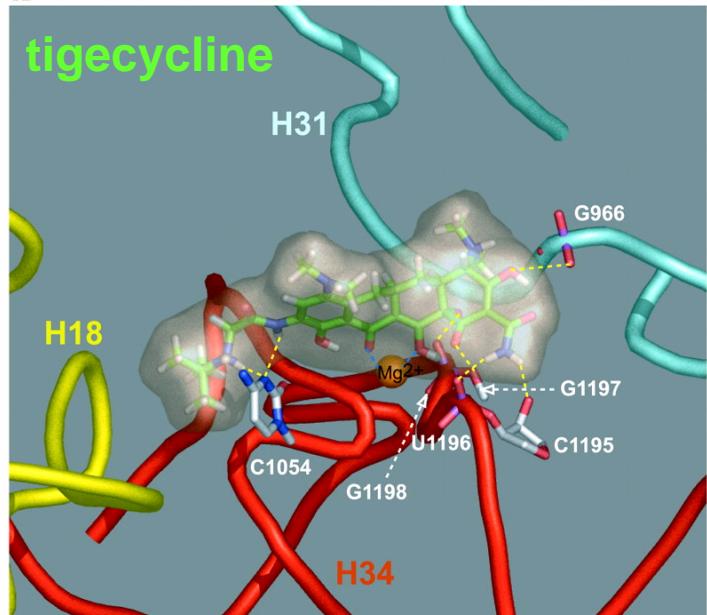


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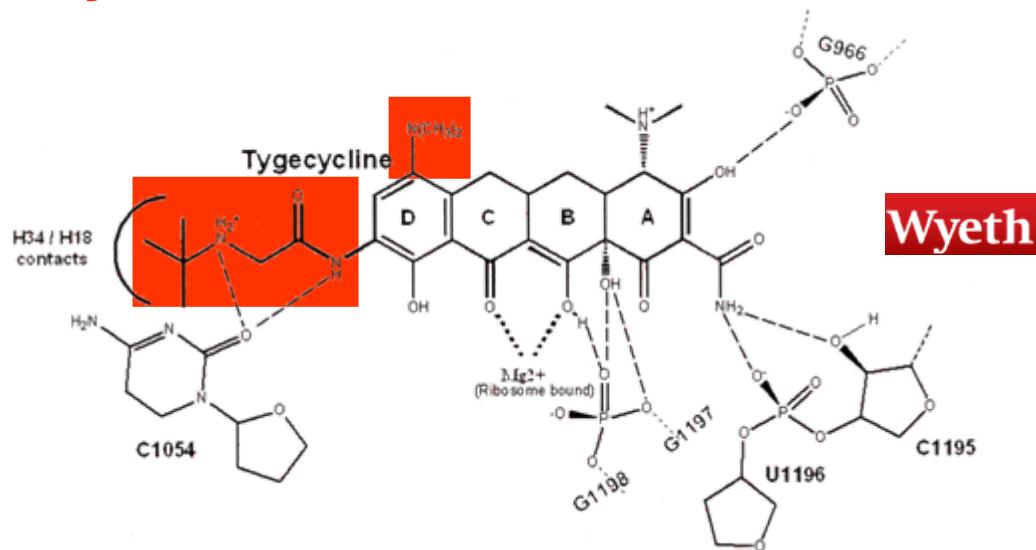
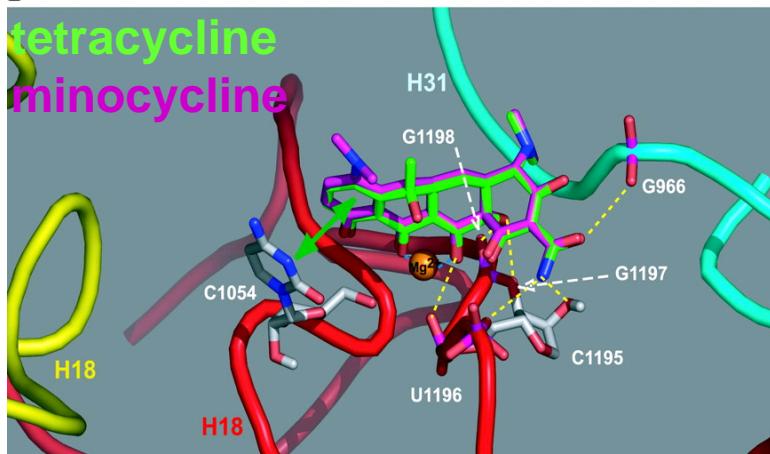


# tigecycline

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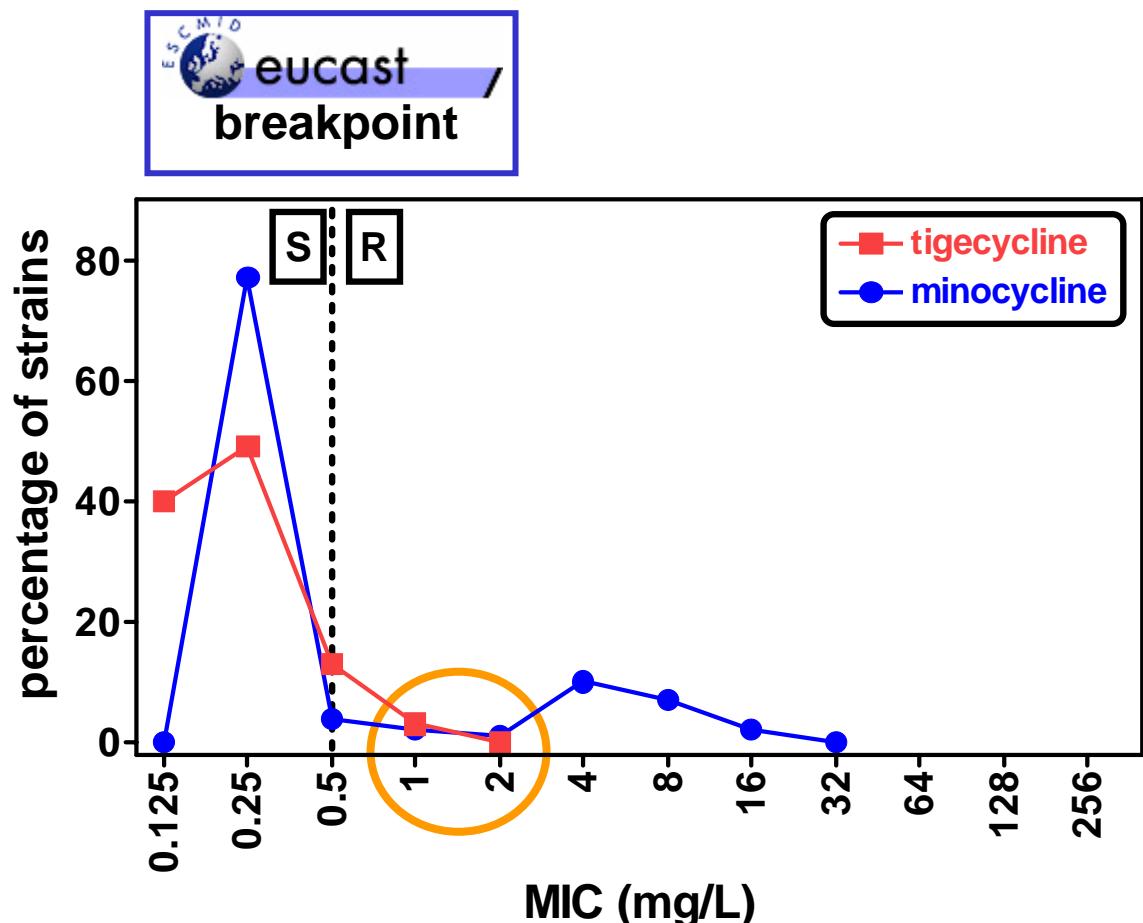


- same binding site as tetracyclines in ribosome 16S RNA; additional interaction site
- Unaffected by resistance due to
  - ribosomal protection
  - Tet efflux pumps
- Approved in USA in 2005 and in Europe in 2006
- wide spectrum, indicated for:  
cSSTI; intra-abdominal infections

# tigecycline: in vitro data

Distribution of MICs for 128 MRSA from USA

active  
on minocycline-R  
population, but ...



a few isolates above the breakpoint ...

# tigecycline clinical experience

## Phase 3 - Skin and skin structure infections

**Microbiological eradication rates of selected baseline isolates at the test-of-cure visit (microbiologically evaluable population).**

Isolate	Tigecycline		Vancomycin-aztreonam	
	No. of patients/total	Percentage of patients (95% CI)	No. of patients/total	Percentage of patients (95% CI)
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>				
Methicillin resistant	25/32	78.1 (60.0–90.7)	25/33	75.8 (57.7–88.9)
Methicillin susceptible	119/134	88.8 (82.2–93.6)	109/120	90.8 (84.2–95.3)
<i>Streptococcus pyogenes</i>	30/32	93.8 (79.2–99.2)	25/27	92.6 (75.7–99.1)
<i>Streptococcus agalactiae</i>	7/8	87.5 (47.3–99.7)	11/13	84.6 (54.6–98.1)
<i>Streptococcus anginosus</i> <sup>a</sup>	14/16	87.5 (61.7–98.4)	6/7	85.7 (42.1–99.6)
<i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> (non–vancomycin resistant)	14/16	87.5 (61.7–98.4)	22/24	91.7 (73.0–99.0)
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	24/29	82.8 (64.2–94.2)	27/30	90.0 (73.5–97.9)
<i>Bacteroides fragilis</i>	8/8	100.0 (63.1–100.0)	4/5	80.0 (28.4–99.5)

**NOTE.** ND, not determined.

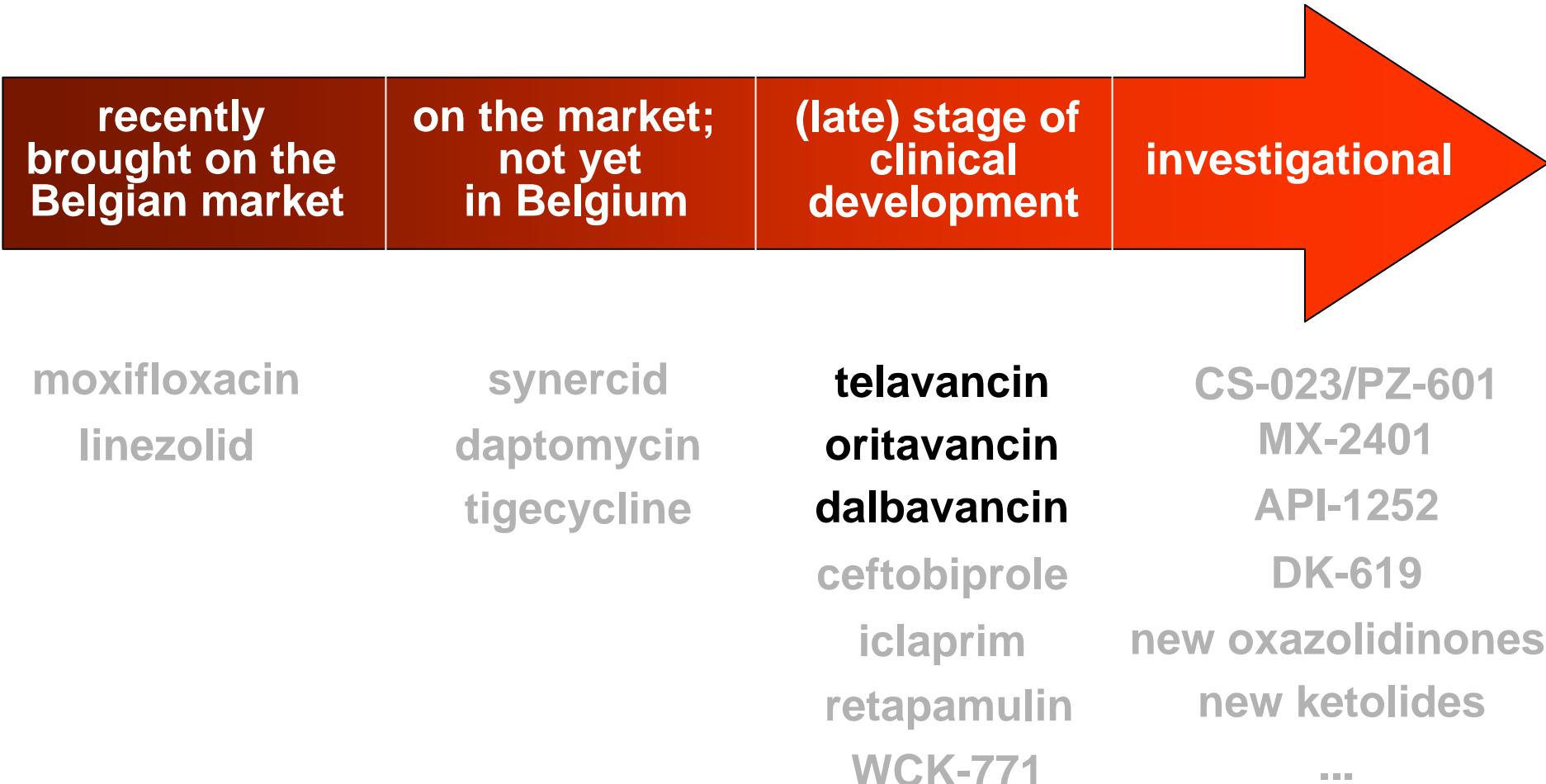
<sup>a</sup> Includes *S. anginosus*, *S. anginosus ana*, *Streptococcus intermedius*, and *Streptococcus constellatus*.

# tigecycline : pros and cons

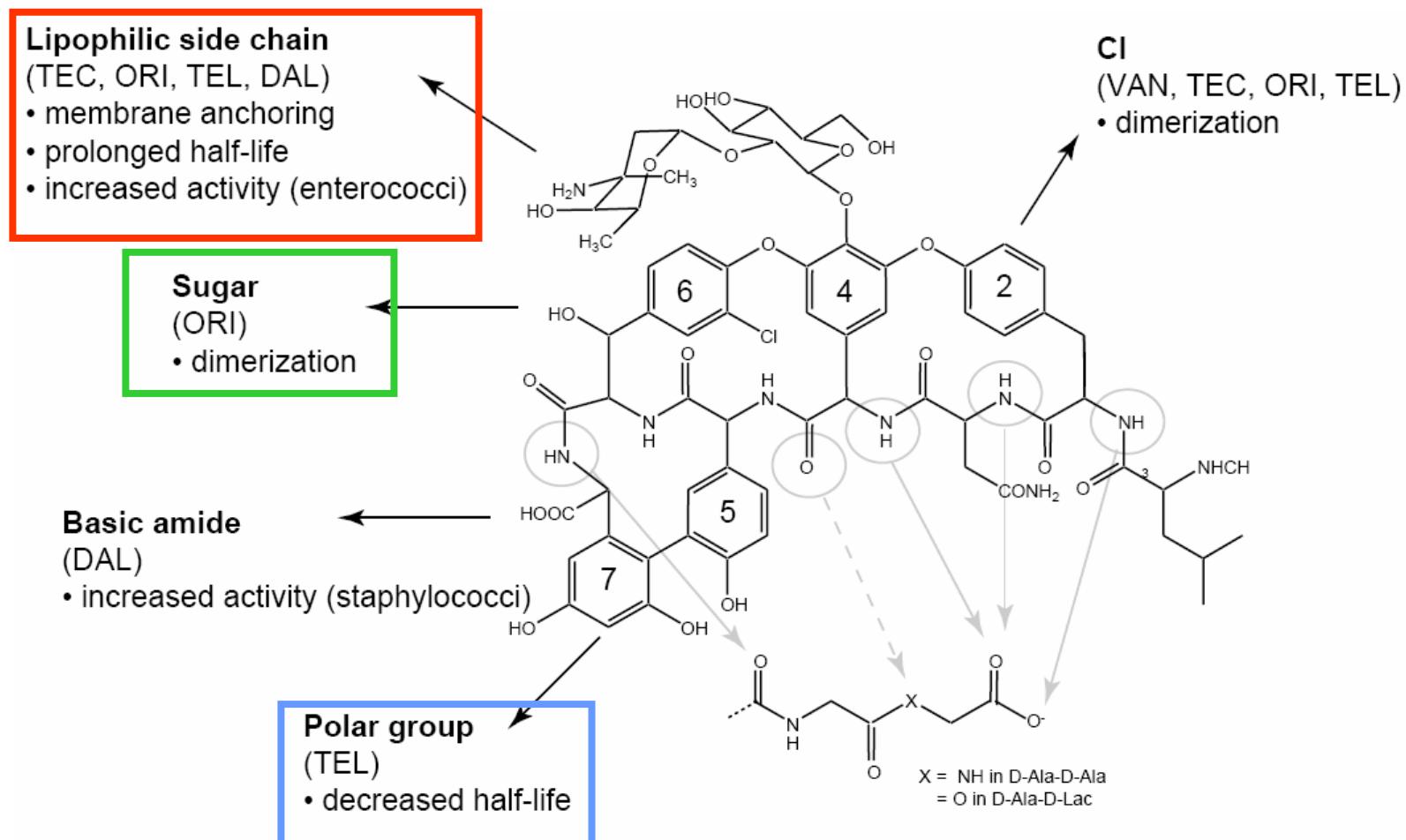
- XL spectrum ?
- not affected by some tet resistance mechanisms  
(Tet efflux, ribosomal protection)
- once-a-day
- large tissue distribution

- XL spectrum ?
- bacteriostatic
- CI – pregnancy, children
- no oral route

# recent and novel agents for *S. aureus*



# new glycopeptides: structure-activity relationship



# new glycopeptides: in vitro data

## Distribution of MICs for MRSA

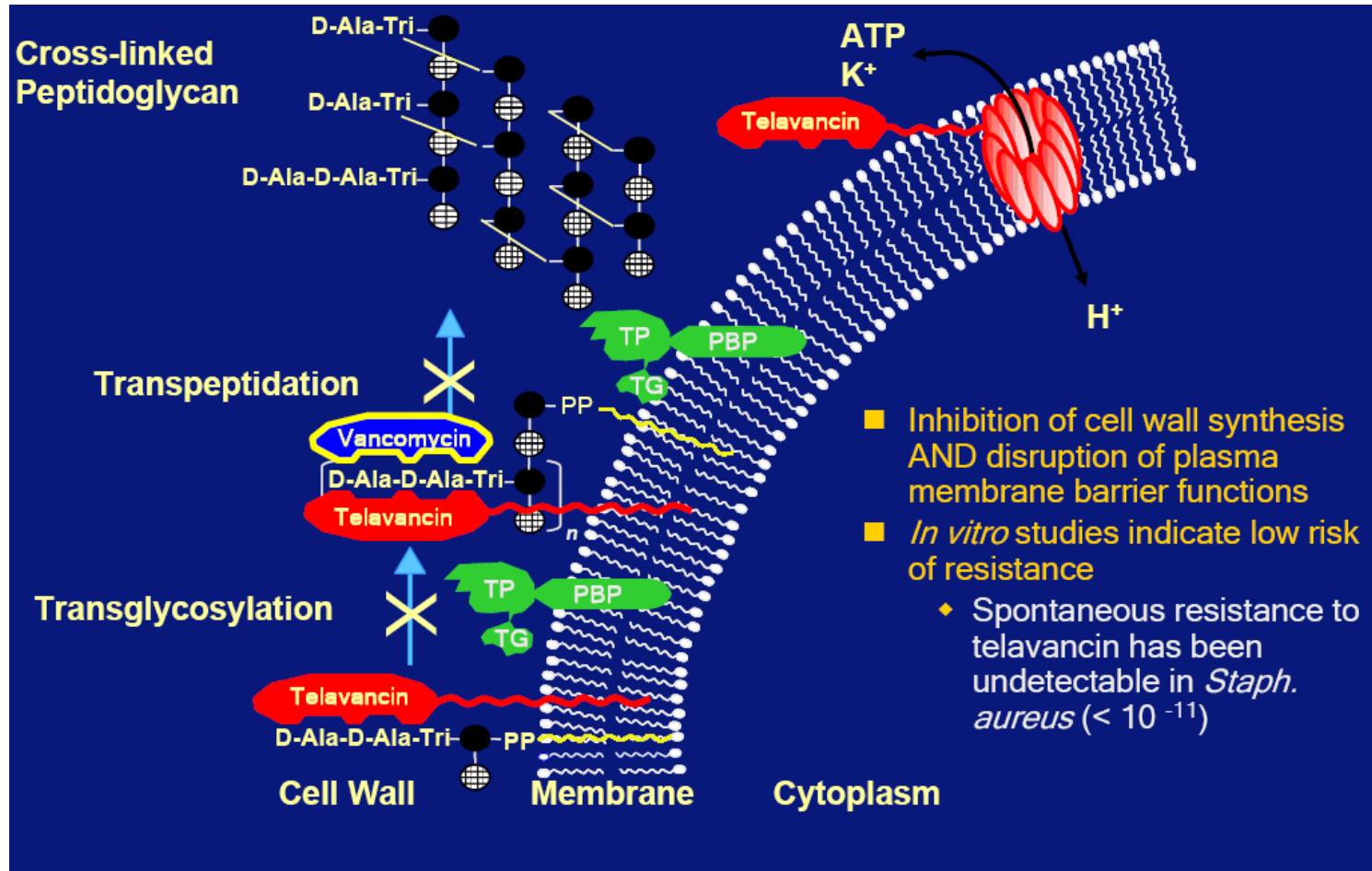
drug	range		 / breakpoint
	(a) n = 23	(b) n=30	
telavancin		0.125-1	
oritavancin	0.125-4		
vancomycin	0.5-4	1-2	4
dalbavancin	0.06-1		
teicoplanin	0.125-8	0.5-16	4

MICs  
of the same  
range  
as for vanco,  
but ...

no breakpoint yet for new GP

# new glycopeptides: mode of action

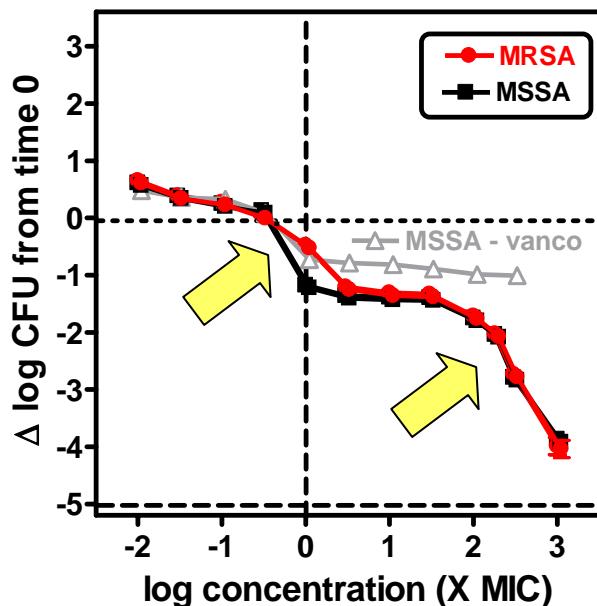
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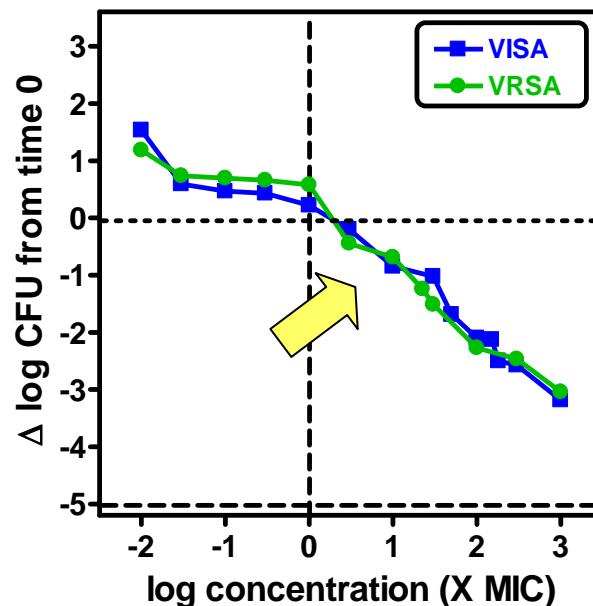
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*Activity of telavancin after 3 h  
towards *S. aureus* with different resistance phenotypes*



Bimodal effect :

- inhibition of PG synthesis
- membrane permeabilization



Unimodal effect :

- inhibition of PG synthesis
- membrane permeabilization

# new glycopeptides: clinical experience

**oritavancin** (5-10 mg/kg 1x day ~ 10 days)

- skin and soft tissue infection (Phase III)
- bloodstream infection (Phase II)

**telavancin** (10 mg/kg 1x day ~ 10 days)

- skin and soft tissue infection (Phase III)

→ fast track designation by the FDA for the treatment of

- hospitally-acquired pneumonia (MRSA or multiresistant *S. pneumoniae*)
- MRSA-associated complicated skin and skin structure infection

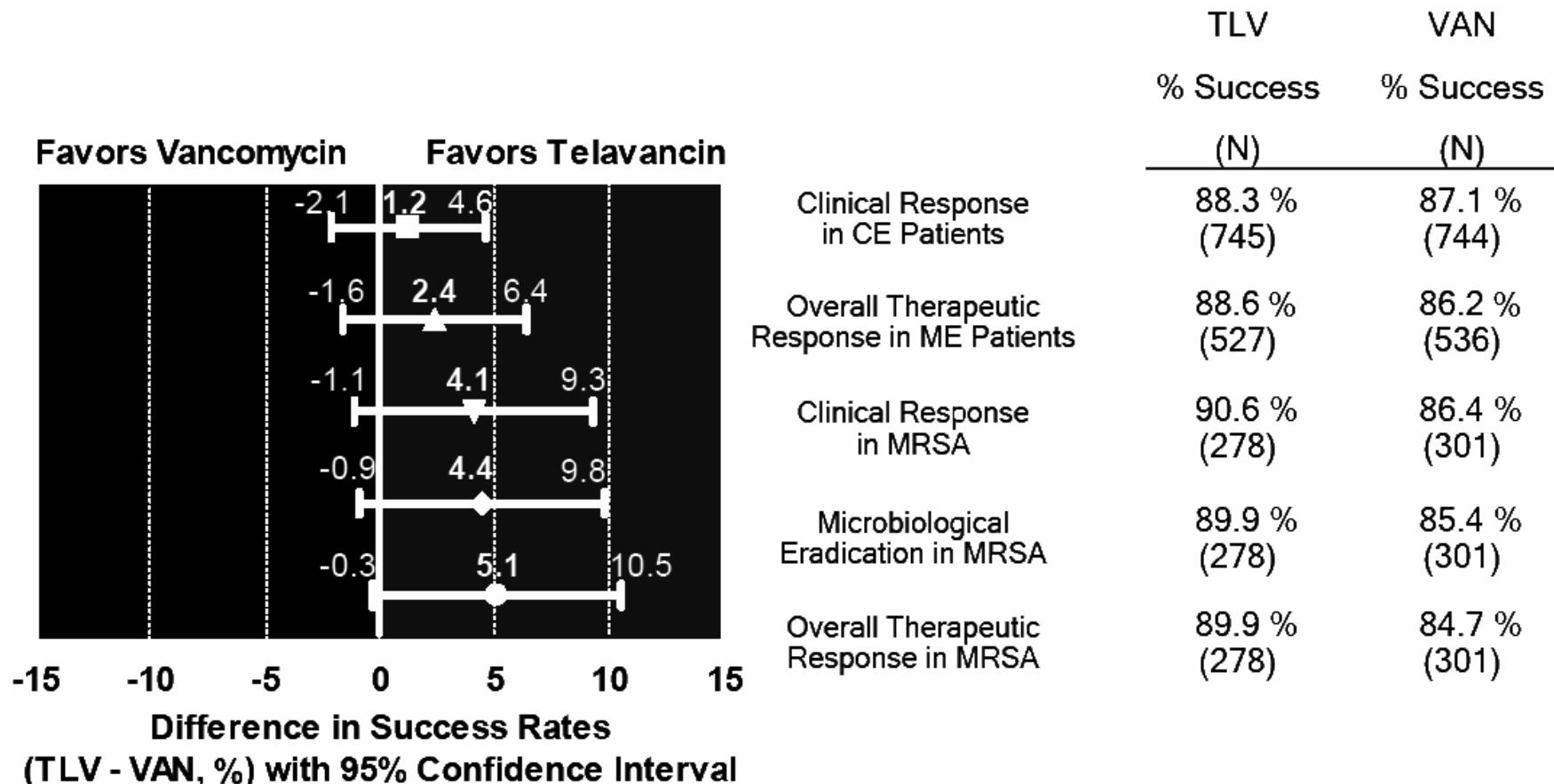
**dalbavancin** (1 g followed by 500 mg 1 week later)

- skin and skin structure infections (Phases II and III)
- catheter-related bloodstream infections (Phase II)

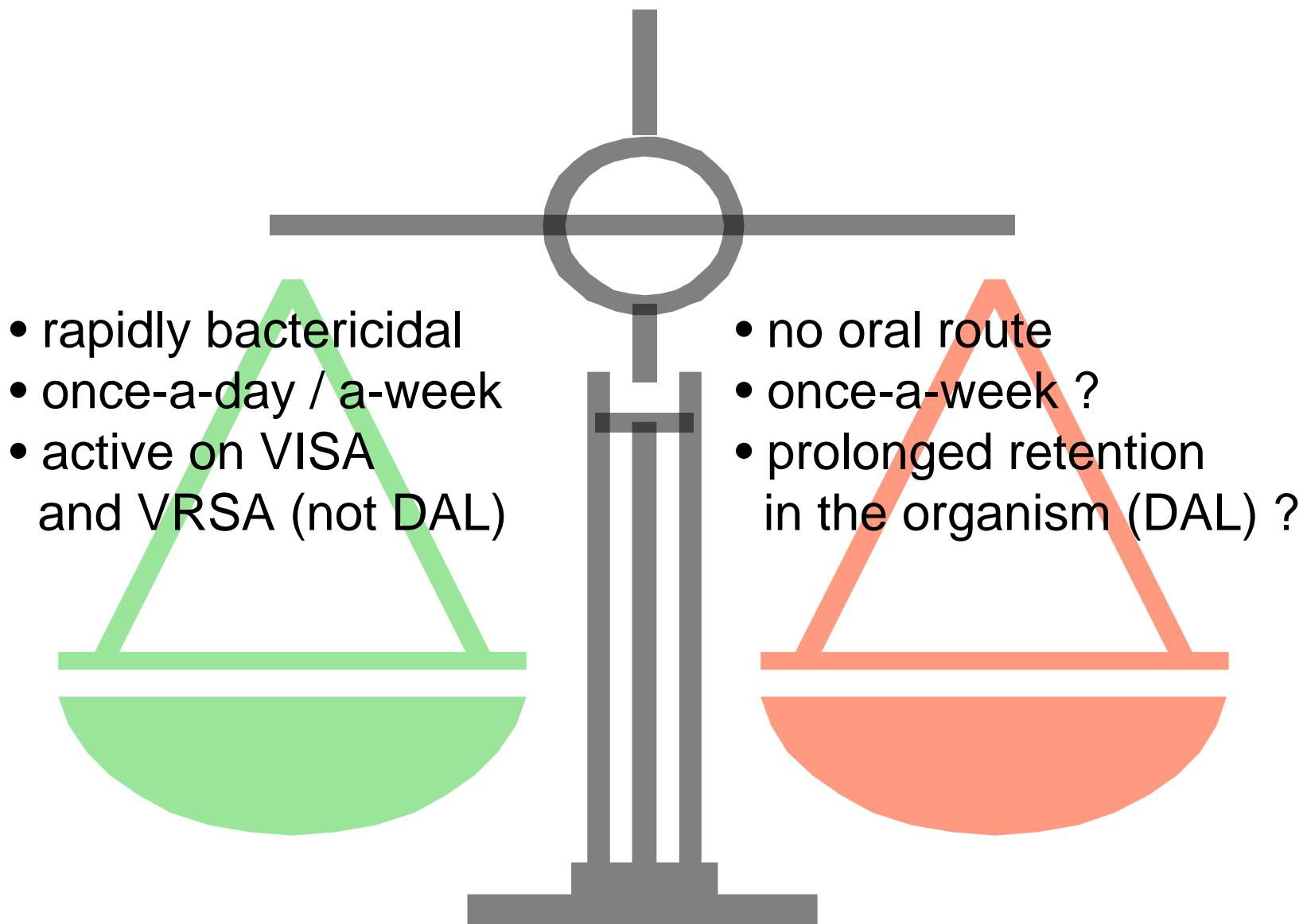
→ priority review status by the FDA for the treatment of  
MRSA complicated skin and soft tissue infections.

# new glycopeptides: clinical experience

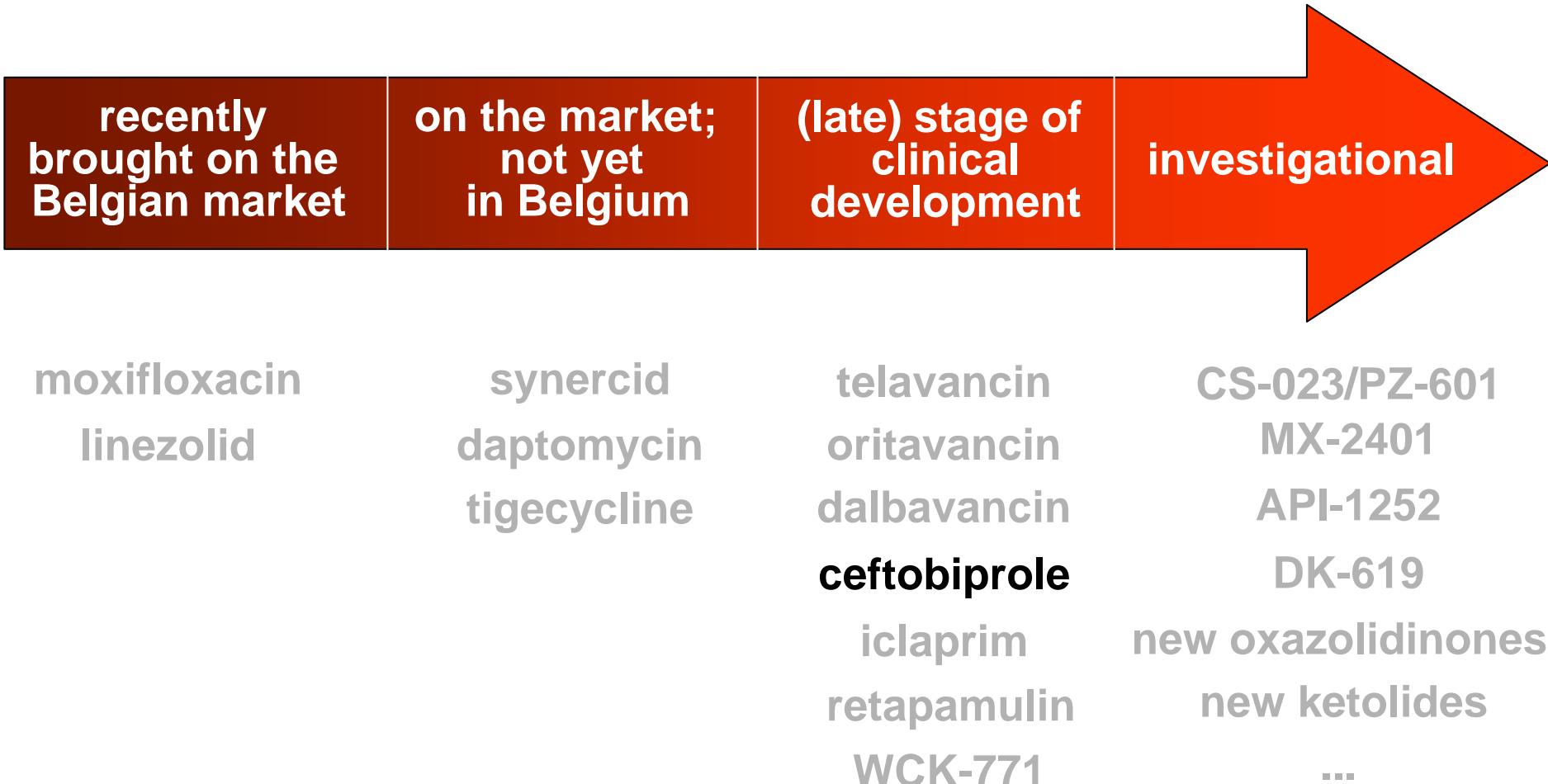
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# new glycopeptides : pros and cons



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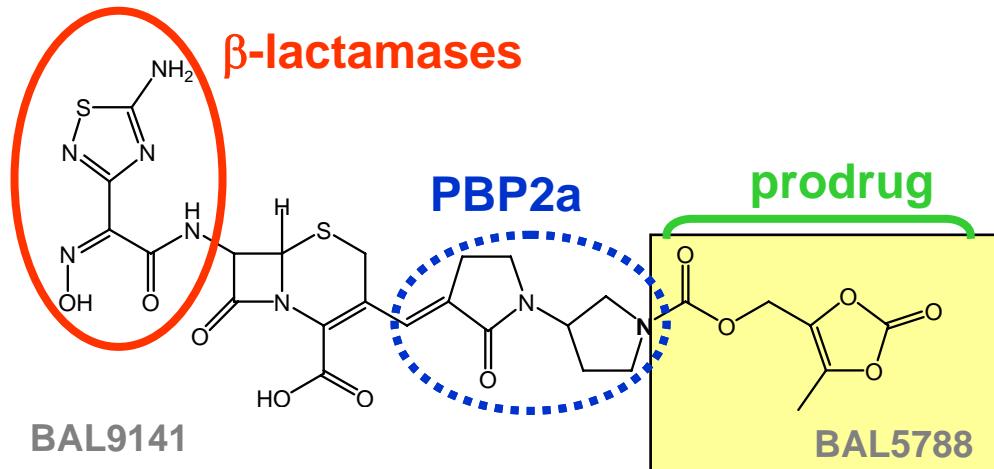
# ceftobiprole

Rates of hydrolysis  
by purified  $\beta$ -lactamases

Compound	Class A <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> PC 1
Ro 63-9141	0.93
Ceftriaxone	19
Cephalothin	200
Penicillin G	10,000

Affinity for PBPs

Compound	IC <sub>50</sub> for competition with fluorescein-labeled ampicillin ( $\mu$ M) <i>Staphylococcus epidermidis</i> PBP 2'
Ro 63-9141	0.87
Ceftriaxone	115
Imipenem	>500
Methicillin	>500



**basilea** **J&JPRD**  
PHARMACEUTICA

- Capable of binding to PBP2a of MRSA
- Fast track designation from FDA for cSSTI and nosocomial pneumonia

# ceftobiprole in vitro data

*Susceptibility of 1275 MRSA*

drug	range	MIC 50	MIC 90	eucast / breakpoint
vancomycin	0.5-2	1	1	8
ceftobiprole	0.12-4	1	1	4 *

so far, so good, but for how long ? ...

\* provisional breakpoint  
Mouton *et al*, AAC (2004) 48:1713-8.

# Ceftobiprole clinical experience

cSSSI – 784 patients

**Table 6.** Clinical cure rates (number [%]) in patients meeting criteria for a severe infection (CE population)

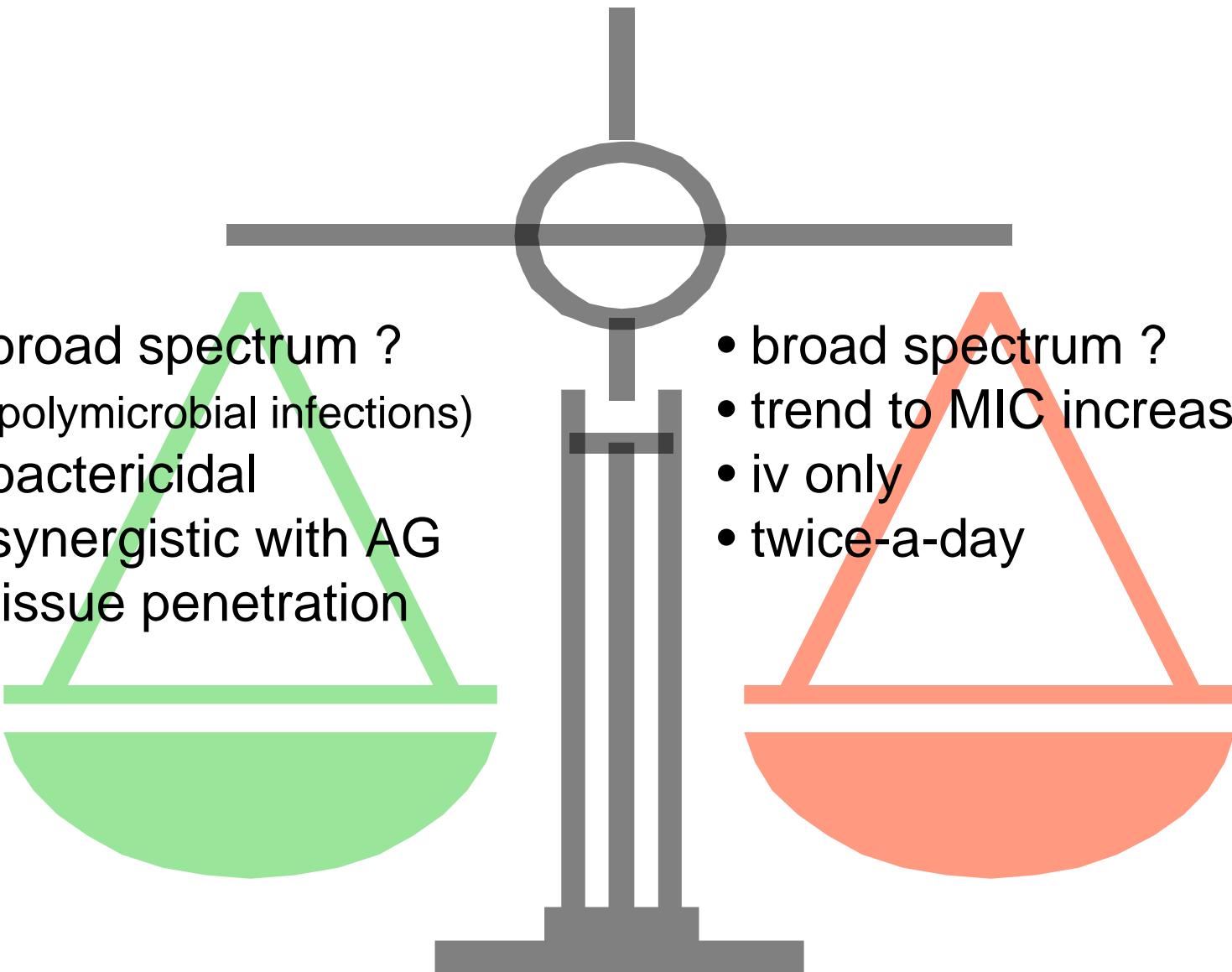
	Sepsis Syndrome		CRP >50 mg/ml		Deep Infection	
	Ceftobiprole	Vancomycin	Ceftobiprole	Vancomycin	Ceftobiprole	Vancomycin
All <i>S. aureus</i>	33/35 (94.3%)	29/31 (93.6%)	66/71 (93.0%)	69/75 (92.0%)	63/66 (95.5%)	50/55 (90.9%)
MRSA	8/9 (88.9%)	6/6 (100%)	20/23 (87.0%)	21/24 (87.5%)	19/21 (90.5%)	18/21 (90.5%)

CRP, C-reactive protein.

# ceftobiprole: pros and cons

- broad spectrum ?  
(polymicrobial infections)
- bactericidal
- synergistic with AG
- tissue penetration

- broad spectrum ?
- trend to MIC increase
- iv only
- twice-a-day



**a few additional criteria of choice ...**

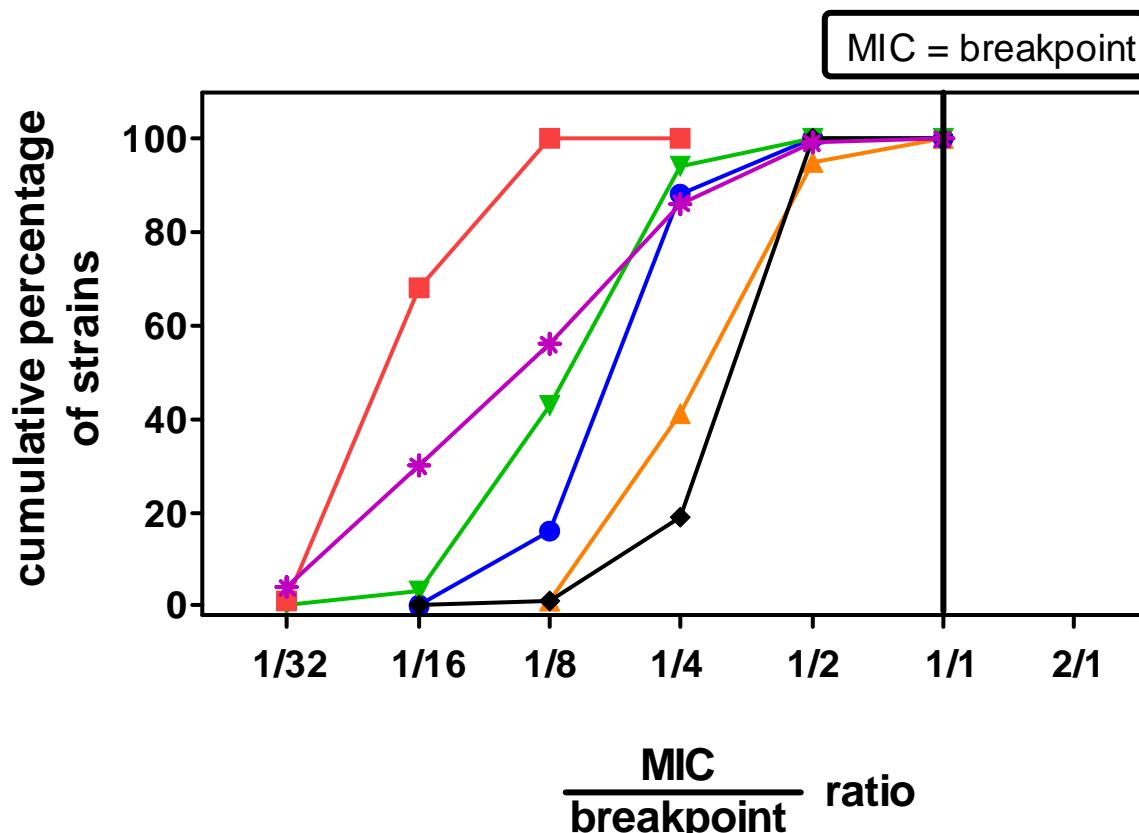




# what about Belgian isolates ?

Susceptibility of 511 MRSA from 112 hospitals

All isolates still below the breakpoint



breakpoint

vancomycin	8
ceftobiprole	4
daptomycin	1
synercid	2
tigecycline	0.5
linezolid	4

but do we agree  
with all breakpoints ?

# conclusion

a lot of molecules in the pipeline



- synergicid: usefulness in Europe ?
- daptomycin: bactericidal, but surfactant effect ...
- tigecycline: polymicrobial infections, but static ...



really new still to come

- new glycopeptides: bactericidal,  
resistance probably difficult to select
- FabI inhibitors: totally new target, MICs very low

question for the future:



how to further develop them  
while restricting their use ?



Thank you for  
your attention

and happy birthday to Hergé...

