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II MOSTRA ESTADUAL DA ATENÇÃO À SAÚDE PRISIONAL  
IV ENCONTRO REGIONAL DE TUBERCULOSE

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# Drogas para o tratamento da tuberculose e resistência antimicrobiana: o que há de novo



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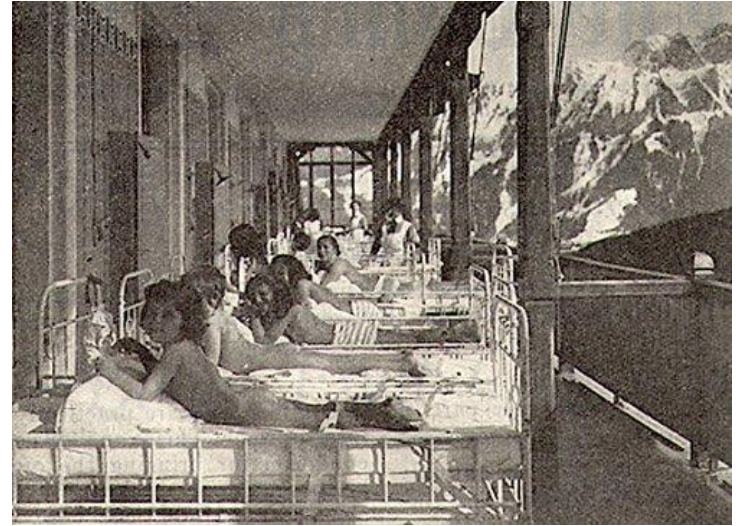
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# ROTEIRO

- 1) PASSADO, PRESENTE E FUTURO
- 2) RESISTÊNCIA AOS ATB COM UM FENÔMENO EVOLUTIVO
- 3) PARADIGMAS DA RESISTÊNCIA EM *M. tuberculosis*
- 4) NOVOS ATB, REGIMES E MECANISMOS DE RESISTÊNCIA



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# 1944 STREPTOMYCIN



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BRITISH  
MEDICAL JOURNAL 1009

**STREPTOMYCIN RESISTANCE IN  
PULMONARY TUBERCULOSIS**

**A RESISTÊNCIA**

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in 2016  
**AROUND 6,000,000**  
people had drug-resistant TB

**There is slow progress in tackling MDR-TB**



MDR-TB cases  
is diagnosed



patients were  
started on MDR-TB  
treatment last year



MDR-TB cases is  
successfully treated



**Each dollar**  
invested in TB yields  
**up to US \$85**  
**in return\***

\*The figure reflects the return of investment following the accelerated scenario as set forth in the Global Plan to End TB 2016-2020.

• 6 % do total de casos de TB são MDR-TB

• 10 % dos MDR são XDR-TB (MDR, FQ e uma droga injetável)

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Therapeutic drug monitoring: how to improve drug dosage and patient safety in tuberculosis treatment



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# DESFECHOS





# ESTUDOS COM GRANDES COHORT COM MDR-TB/XDR

DESFECHO	MDR	XDR
ÊXITO	62%	40%
FALHA/RECIDIVA	7%	22%
MORTE	9%	15%



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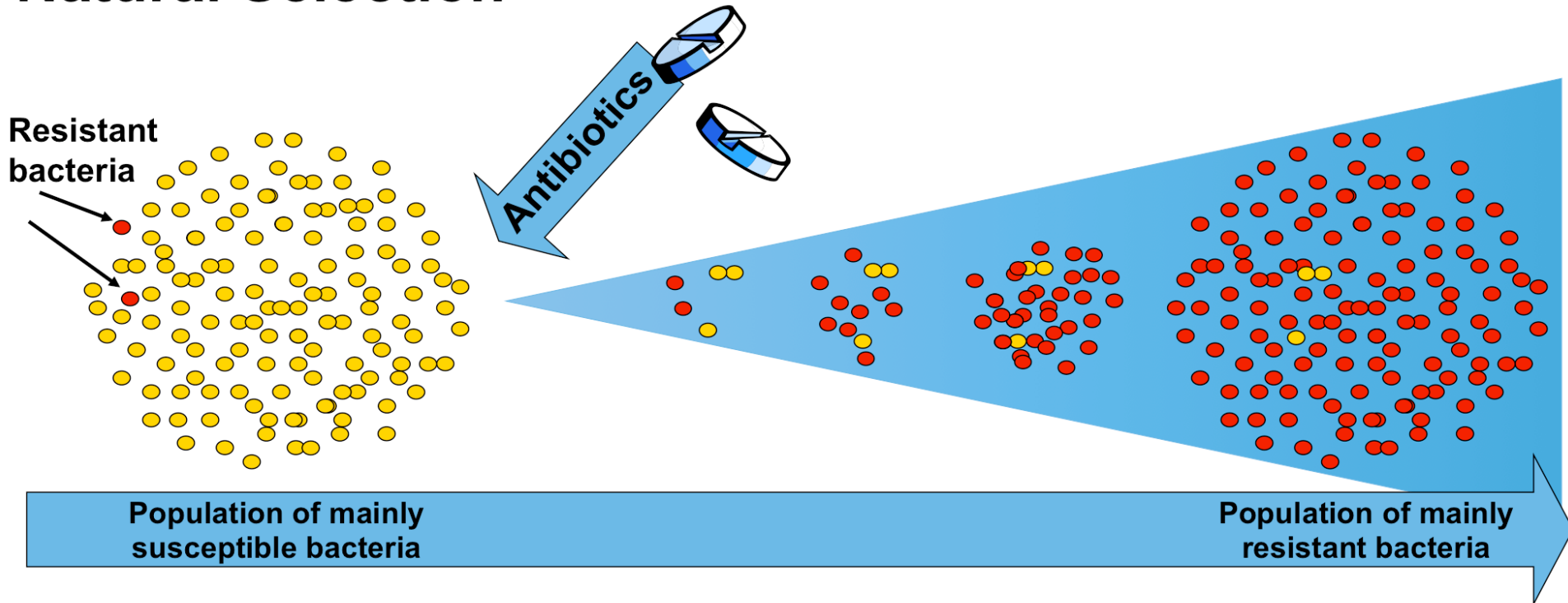


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# Resistência aos atb é um processo evolutivo e antropogênico



## Natural Selection





IT'S NOT THE  
STRONGEST  
OF SPECIES  
THAT  
SURVIVES, NOR  
THE MOST  
INTELLIGENT.

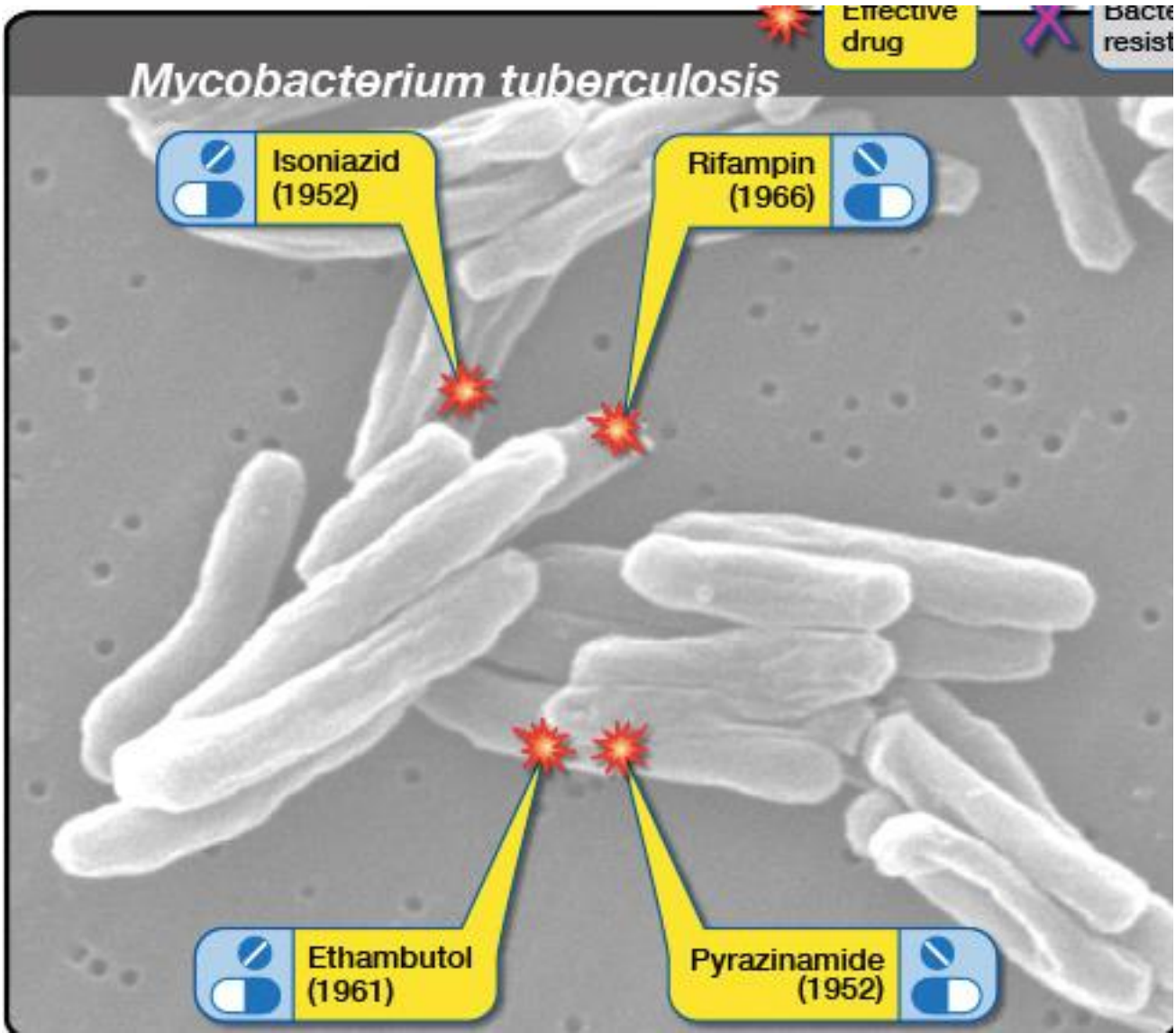


IT IS THE  
ONE THAT IS  
THE MOST  
ADAPTABLE  
TO CHANGE.



MECANISMOS DE RESISTÊNCIA  
AOS CLÁSSICOS  
ANTIMICROBIANOS







# Drug Resistance Mechanisms in *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*

Juan Carlos Palomino \* and Anandi Martin

**Table 1**

First- and second-line TB drugs, genes involved in their activation and mechanisms involved.

Drug	Gene	Mechanism Involved
Isoniazid	<i>katG, inhA</i>	Catalase/oxidase; enoyl reductase
Rifampicin	<i>rpoB</i>	RNA polymerase 
Pyrazinamide	<i>pncA, rpsA</i>	Pyrazinamidase; ribosomal protein 1
Ethambutol	<i>embB</i>	Arabinosyl transferase 
Streptomycin	<i>rpsL, rrs, gidB</i>	S12 ribosomal protein, 16A rRNA, 7-methylguanosine methyltransferase
Quinolones	<i>gyrA, gyrB</i>	DNA gyrase
Capreomycin	<i>rrs, tlyA</i>	16S rRNA, rRNA methyltransferase
Kanamycin/Amikacin	<i>rrs</i>	16S rRNA
Ethionamide	<i>ethA</i>	Enoyl-ACP reductase
Para-aminosalicylic acid	<i>thyA, folC</i>	Thymidylate synthase A



# PARADIGMAS DA RESISTÊNCIA

EM

*M. tuberculosis*



# VISÃO CLÁSSICA (reducionista)



**Uma Mutaç o**



**Resist ncia para um ATB**

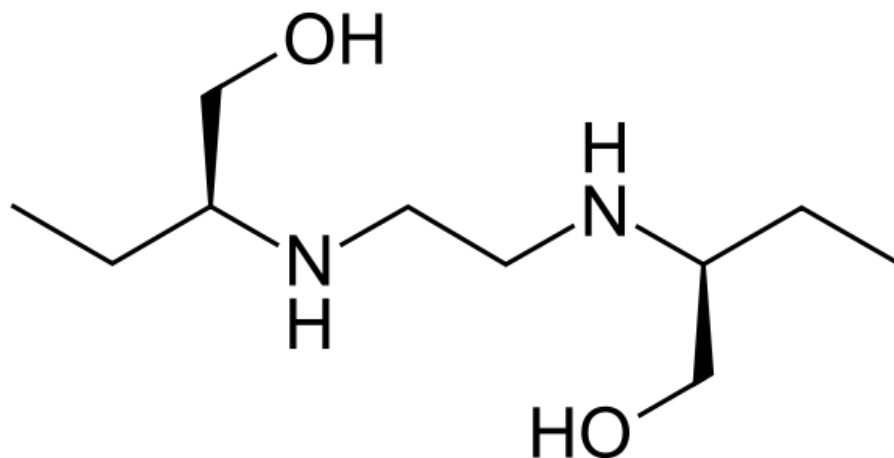




# PRIMEIRA QUEBRA DO PARADIGMA



# The curious case of embB 306 mutation



Ethambutol

# The *emb* operon, a gene cluster of *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* involved in resistance to ethambutol

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## Ethambutol Resistance in *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*: Critical Role of *embB* Mutations

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<b>Met306Val</b>	<b>40 µg/ml</b>
<b>Met306Ile</b>	<b>20 µg/ml</b>

# The curious case of *embB* 306 mutation

ANTIMICROBIAL AGENTS AND CHEMOTHERAPY, Nov. 2004, p. 4447–4449  
0066-4804/04/\$08.00+0 DOI: 10.1128/AAC.48.11.4447–4449.2004  
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## Novel Mutations within the *embB* Gene in Ethambutol-Susceptible Clinical Isolates of *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*

Ann S. G. Lee,<sup>1\*</sup> Siti Noor Khadijah Othman,<sup>1</sup> Yu Min Ho,<sup>1</sup> and Sin Yew Wong<sup>2</sup>

Mutações *embB*306 tb podem estar presentes em cepas sensíveis a EMB

A mutação *embB*306 pode predispor a resistência a outras drogas

# The curious case of *embB* 306 mutation

ANTIMICROBIAL AGENTS AND CHEMOTHERAPY, June 2008, p. 2027–2034  
0066-4804/08/\$08.00+0 doi:10.1128/AAC.01486-07  
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Transfer of *embB* Codon 306 Mutations into Clinical  
*Mycobacterium tuberculosis* Strains Alters Susceptibility  
to Ethambutol, Isoniazid, and Rifampin<sup>∇†</sup>

Hassan Safi, Brendan Sayers, Manzour H. Hazbón, and David Alland\*

*embB* 306 mutation is **necessary** but **not sufficient**  
for determining **high-level** EMBr

*embB* 306 mutation has higher propensity to  
develop INH and RIF resistance

**TB caused by mutant *embB*306 could be more  
prone to evolve into MDR?**

# ***Fitness e resistência aos antimicrobianos***



Mutações que conferem resistência aos antibióticos estabelecem um benefício (vantagens) quando o antibiótico está presente.

Mas Mutações que conferem resistência aos antibióticos determinam algum custo biológico (menor *fitness*) ?

**Cepas resistentes são menos virulentas?**

September 11, 1953

**Some Observations on the Pathogenicity  
of Isoniazid-Resistant Variants  
of Tubercle Bacilli<sup>1</sup>**

SCIENCE, Vol. 118

**Gardner Middlebrook and Maurice L. Cohn**

*Department of Research and Laboratories,  
National Jewish Hospital at Denver and the  
University of Colorado School of Medicine, Denver*

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tive H37Rv strain. These experiments indicated that these strains of tubercle bacilli may become partially or completely attenuated for the guinea pig when they become resistant to 10  $\mu$ g of INH/ml of OA or Tween-albumin liquid medium, under experimental laboratory conditions.



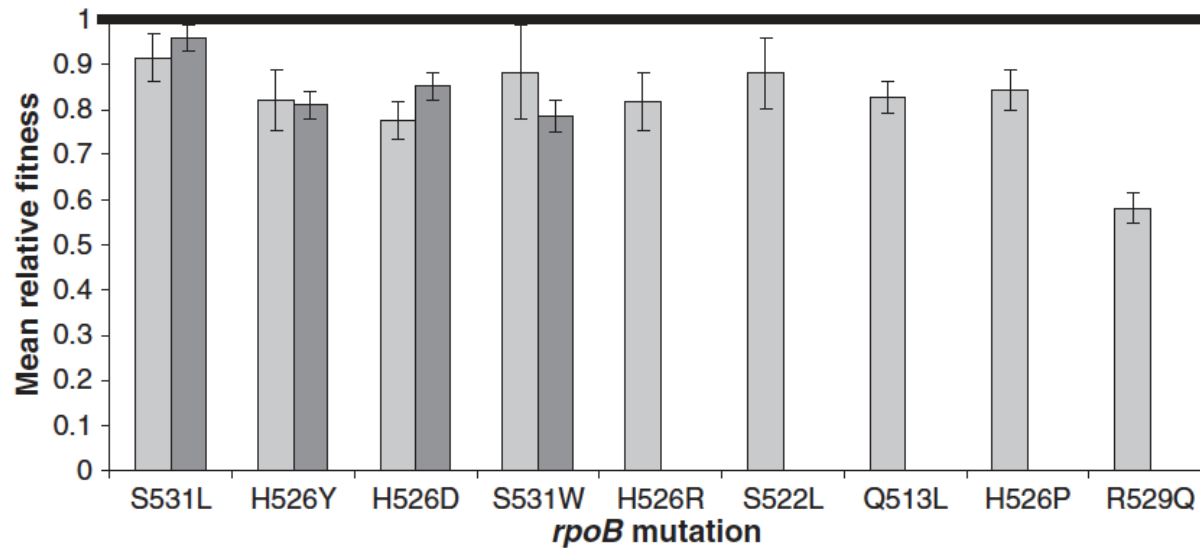
Cepas resistentes a 10  $\mu$ g / mL INH eram parcialmente ou completamente atenuadas em infecção em cobaio



# Fitness cost of drug resistance in *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*

S. Gagneux

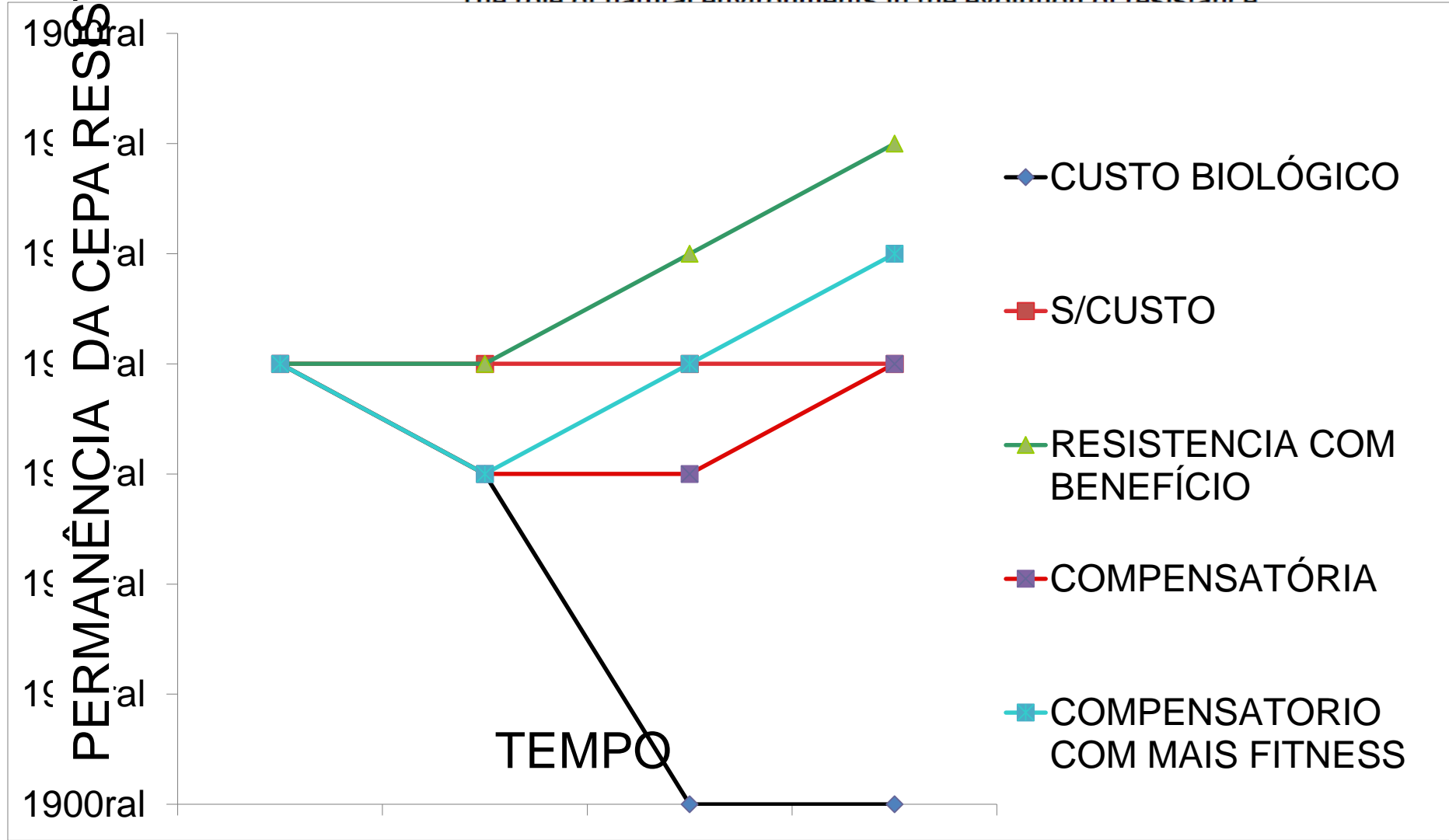
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**Fig. 1.** Relative competitive fitness of laboratory-derived rifampicin-resistant mutants of *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*. The relative fitness of the rifampicin-susceptible ancestor is defined as 1 (black line). All rifampicin-resistant mutants had a statistically significant fitness cost as compared to the rifampicin-susceptible ancestor strain (error bars indicate 95% CIs). This cost was less in *rpoB* S531L mutants than in other *rpoB* mutants, irrespective of the strain background. Light grey bars, CDC1551 mutants; dark grey bars, T85 mutants.



The role of natural environments in the evolution of resistance





COMO O *M. tuberculosis* RECUPERA O  
FITNESS?



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doi: [10.1093/femsre/fux011](https://doi.org/10.1093/femsre/fux011)

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Review article

REVIEW ARTICLE

# Antimicrobial resistance in *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*: mechanistic and evolutionary perspectives

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and Sebastien Gagneux<sup>1,2,\*</sup>

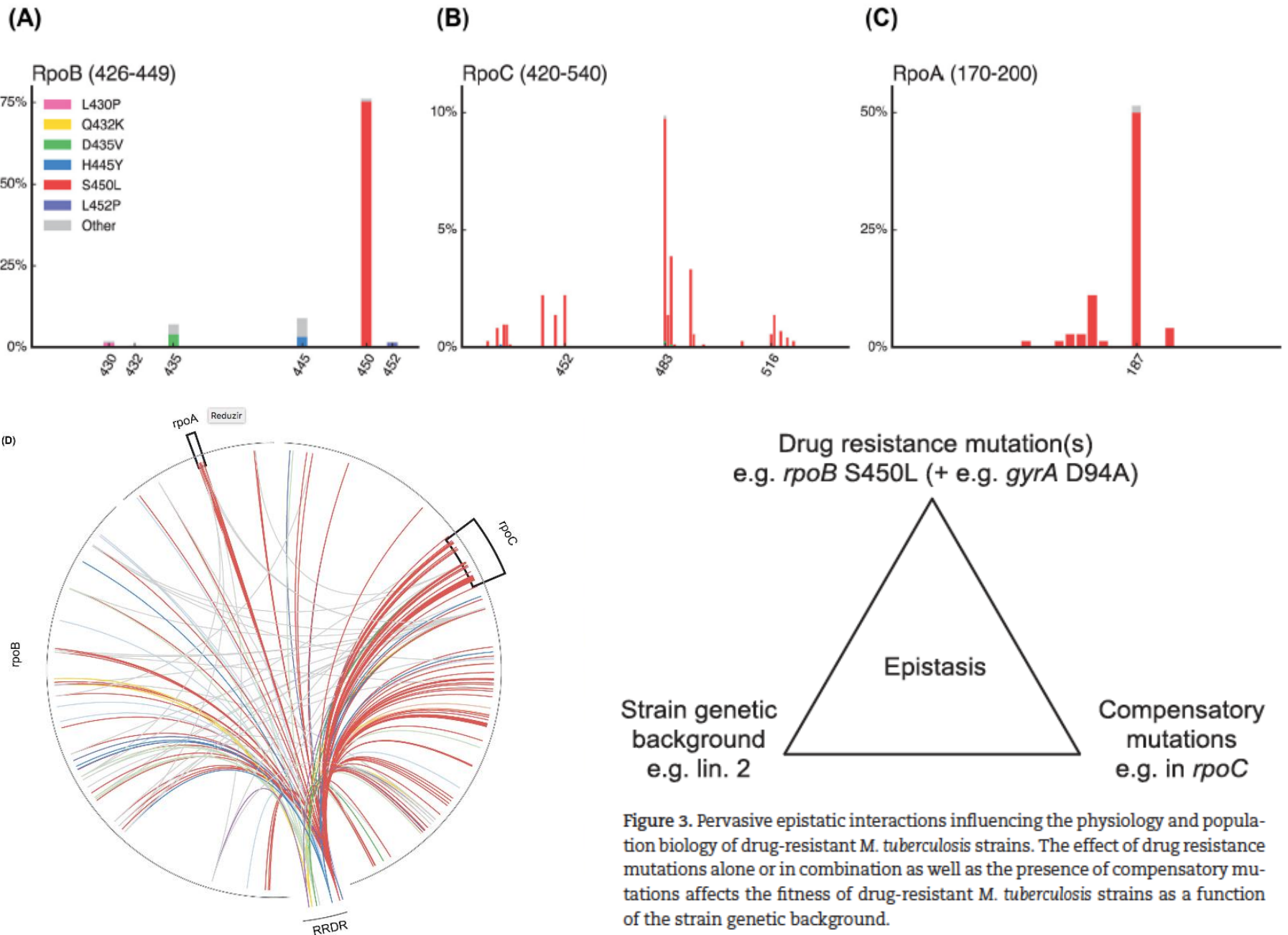


Figure 4. Summary of rifampicin resistance and fitness cost compensatory mutations in *rpoB* and *rpoA/C* respectively. (a) Frequency of rifampicin resistance mutations in *rpoB*. (b) Frequency of putative compensatory mutations in *rpoC* in codons 420-540. (c) Frequency of putative compensatory mutations in *rpoA* in codons 170-200.

Figure 3. Pervasive epistatic interactions influencing the physiology and population biology of drug-resistant *M. tuberculosis* strains. The effect of drug resistance mutations alone or in combination as well as the presence of compensatory mutations affects the fitness of drug-resistant *M. tuberculosis* strains as a function of the strain genetic background.

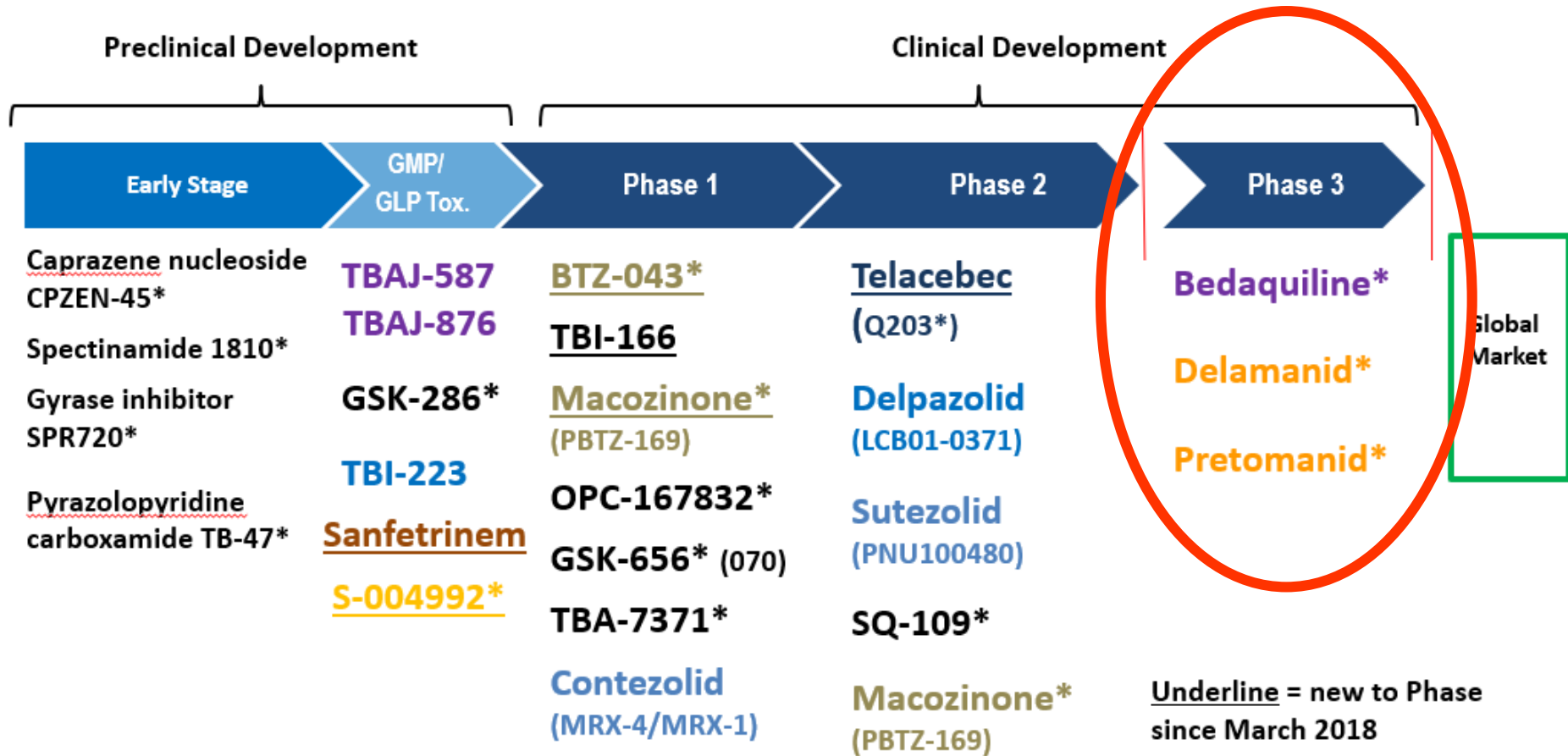


NOVOS

ANTIMICROBIANOS E  
REGIMES

ANTI-TB

# 2018 Global New TB Drug Pipeline <sup>1</sup>



New chemical class\* Known chemical classes for any indication are color coded: **fluoroquinolone**, **rifamycin**, **oxazolidinone**, **nitroimidazole**, **diarylquinoline**, **benzothiazinone**, **imidazopyridine amide**, **beta-lactam**.

<sup>1</sup> New Molecular Entities not yet approved, being developed for TB or only conditionally approved for TB. Showing most advanced stage reported for each. Details for projects listed can be found at <http://www.newtbdrugs.org/pipeline/clinical>

Ongoing projects without a lead compound series identified: <http://www.newtbdrugs.org/pipeline/discovery>



[www.newtbdrugs.org](http://www.newtbdrugs.org)  
Updated: October 2018





*Net present value of producing new kinds of drugs*



Source: 'The Antibiotic Resistance Crisis', C. Lee Ventola, Data from CDC & FDA Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Office of Health Economics



**pretomanid**

Multiple targets

~~• PA 824~~

**delamanid**

~~• OPC 67683~~

DNA gyrase

• Gatifloxacin

• Moxifloxacin

Bioreduction

Reactive species

DNA

RNA polymerase

• Rifapentine

Cell-wall synthesis

• SQ-109

mRNA

ADP

H<sup>+</sup>

ATP

Peptide

Ribosome

• Linezolid

**sutezolid**

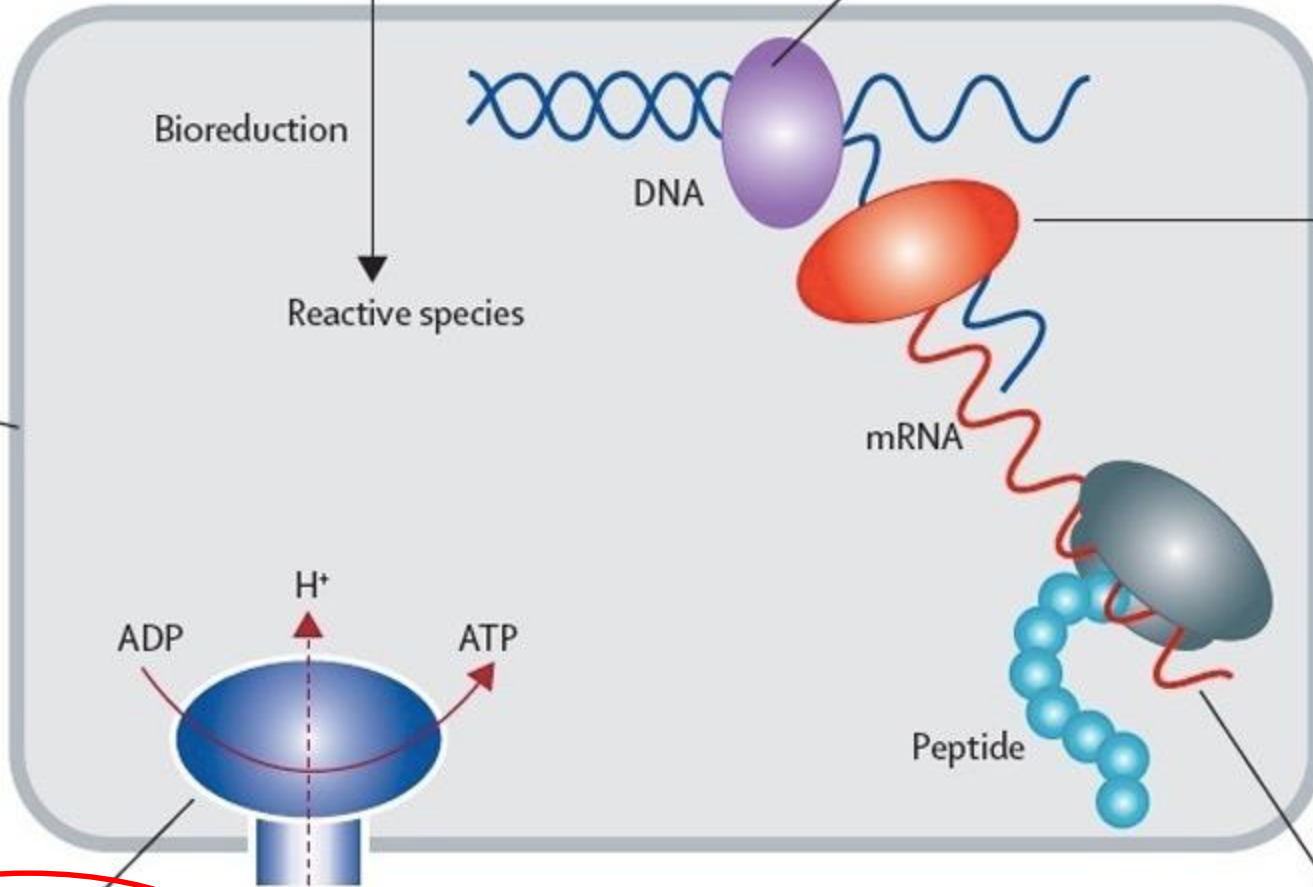
~~• PNU-100480~~

• AZD-5847

ATP synthase

~~• TMC-207~~

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**GOOD NEWS!!!!!!**

**BDQ reduced about 30% the median time to sputum  
culture conversion**

**increased the rate of culture conversion**

# Acquired Resistance of *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* to Bedaquiline

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**BAD NEWS**

Rv 0678 mutation

Overexpress  
*mmpS5-mmpL5*

*atpE* mutation

BDQ RESISTANCE

CFZ RESISTANCE

Repressor transcriptional

**OVEREXPRESS EFFLUX SYSTEM = MULTIPLE DRUG RESISTANCE**

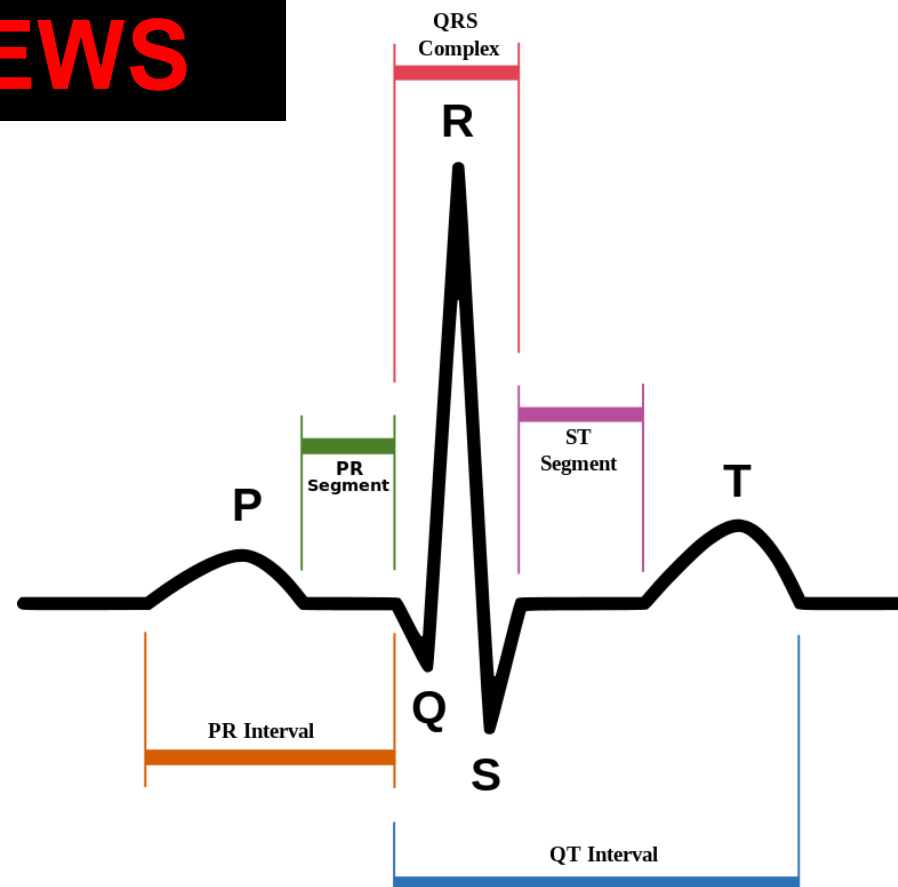


## The Diarylquinoline TMC207 for Multidrug-Resistant Tuberculosis

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**MORE BAD NEWS**

**INCREASES IN THE QT  
INTERVAL**



# OUTRAS PREOCUPAÇÕES

**METABOLIZADO PELA CYP450 3A4 NÃO PODE SER ADMINISTRADO JUNTO COM A RIF**

▪ **DESORDENS HEPÁTICAS (8.8% BDQ X 1.9% PLACEBO)**

▪ **NÃO DEVE SER USADO JUNTO AO DELAMANIDE (AMBOS CAUSAM AUMENTO DO INTERVALO QT)**



# (OPC 67683) DELAMANIDA

in/Register  
dd a Project

Last Updated: 24-Jul-2014



## PROJECT INFO

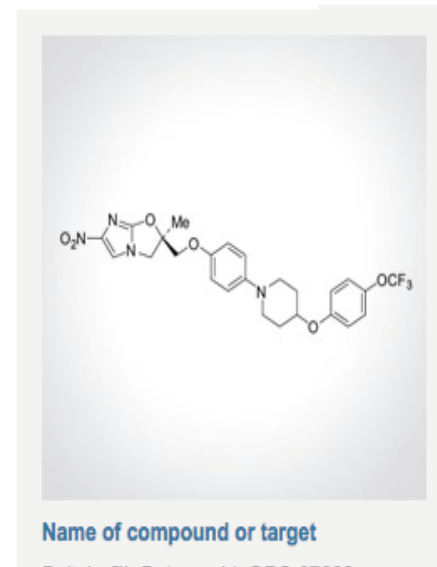
Submitted for registration to a stringent regulatory authority (FDA, EMA, WHO pre-qualification

Yes

### Project type

New chemical entity (NCE)

Clinical project description



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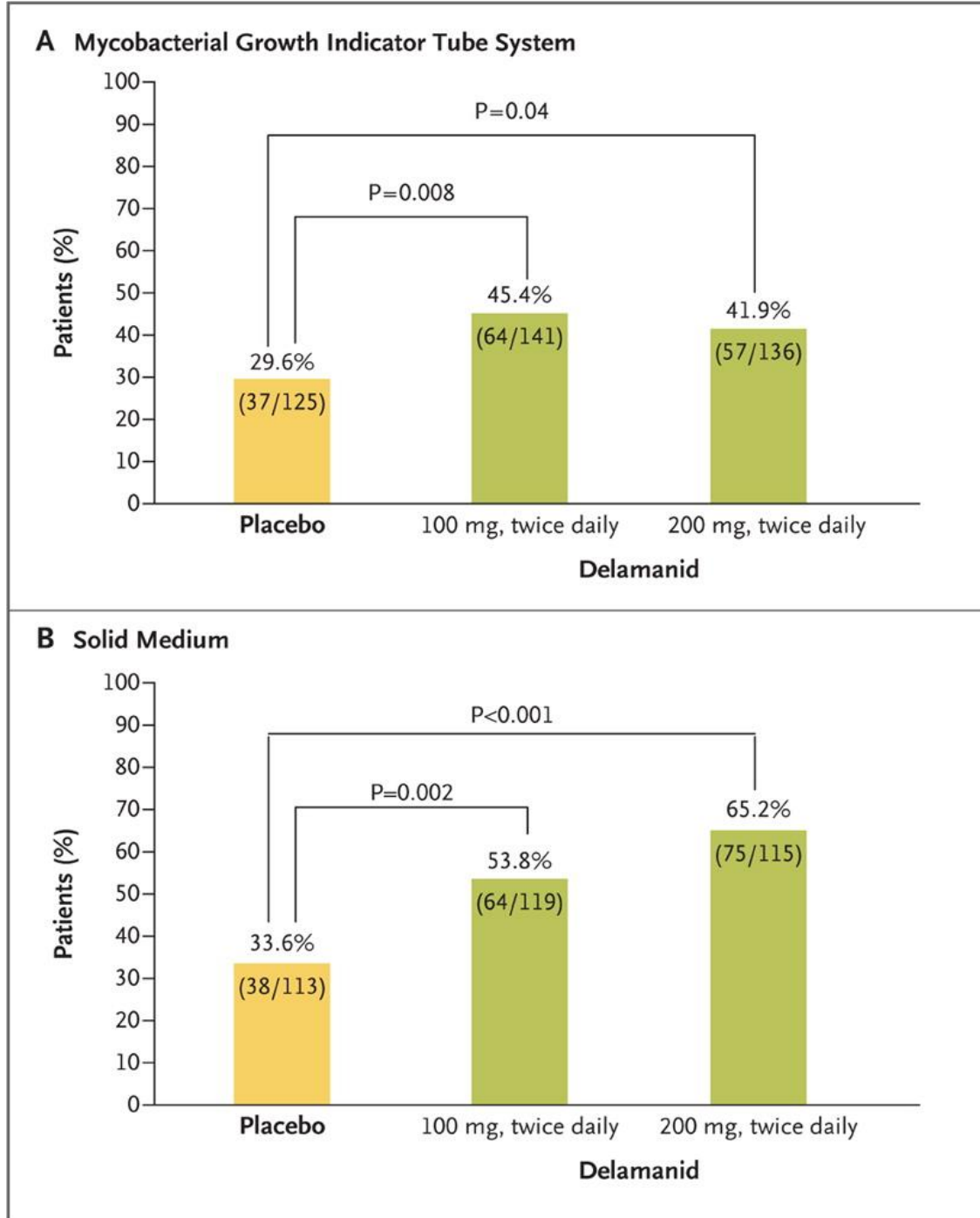
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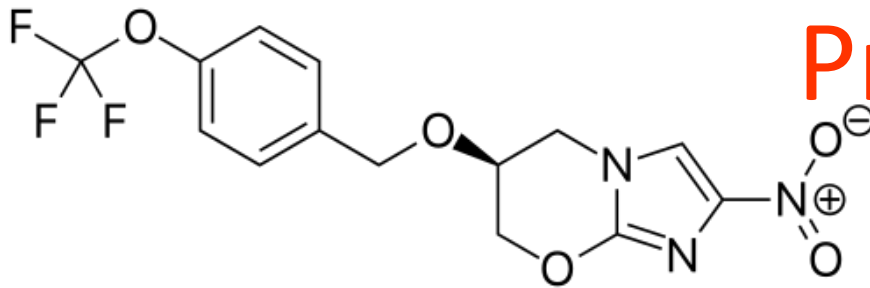
# Delamanida

- *More M. tuberculosis* specific → minimal drug interactions
- 
- Dose dependent activity in vitro similar to rifampin

**Delamanid improved 2 month culture conversion**

**QT prolongation more common than with placebo**





## Pretomanida (PA-824)

- Nitroimidazole (como Delamanid).
- Inibe síntese de parede celular
- Cadeia respiratoria
- Prolongamento do intervalo QT

- Atividade contra cepas resistentes a isoniazida com CMI = 0.03 - 0.2 µg/ml
- 
- É um profarmaco que requer ativação

# NOVOS REGIMES TERAPÊUTICOS

## Discovery

### Clinical Development and Marketed Products

TB Alliance manages the largest pipeline of new TB drugs in history and has advanced multiple products to market. Projects with the greatest impact on the disease, while being cost-effective and simple to administer, are prioritized. For the latest status of the STA [clinicaltrials.gov](https://clinicaltrials.gov) or [contact us](#) to schedule a briefing.

#### PHASE 1

##### PK of First-Line Drugs in Children <5kg

Isoniazid / Rifampin /  
Pyrazinamide / Ethambutol  
(Pediatric HRZE)

#### PHASE 2 (EARLY)

##### Linezolid Dose-Ranging Study

Linezolid

#### PHASE 2 (ADVANCED)

##### Nix-TB

Bedaquiline / Linezolid /  
Pretomanid (BPaL)

##### NC-005

Bedaquiline / Pretomanid /  
Pyrazinamide (BPaZ)

Bedaquiline / Pretomanid /  
Moxifloxacin / Pyrazinamide  
(BPaMZ)

#### PHASE 3

##### STAND

Pretomanid / Moxifloxacin /  
Pyrazinamide (PaMZ)



# PaMZ

Pretomanid + Moxifloxacin + Pyrazinamide

FASE 2A NC (New Combination 1)-001, eliminou Mtb mais rápido nas duas primeiras semanas de tratamento quando comparado com o regime atua.....REDUÇÃO DO TEMPO???

Tem o potencial para curar a TB DS e algumas formas de MDR-TB

Pode ser administrado com ARV



# ADJUVANTES DO TRATAMENTO COM ATB

**RESISTÊNCIA A BDQ E O EFLUXO!**

*Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*  
Vol. 93, pp. 362–366, January 1996  
Microbiology

## Efflux pump of the proton antiporter family confers low-level fluoroquinolone resistance in *Mycobacterium smegmatis*

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### Molecular Cloning and Characterization of Tap, a Putative Multidrug Efflux Pump Present in *Mycobacterium fortuitum* and *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*

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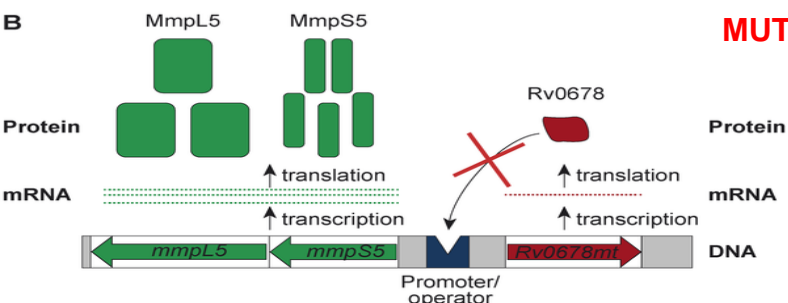
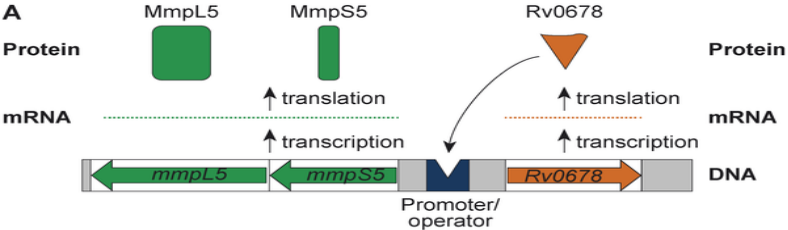
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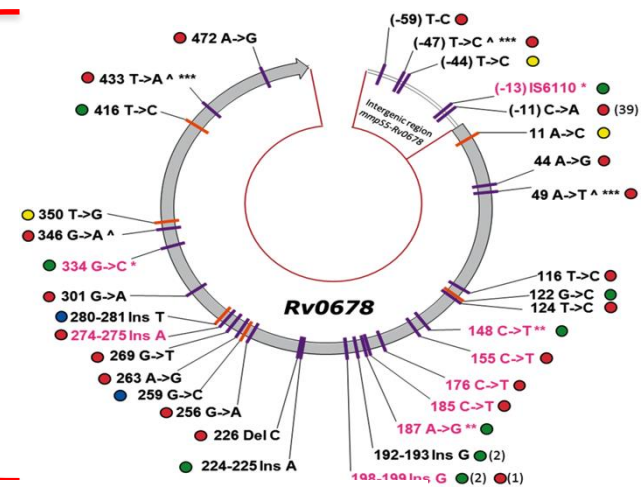
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### Characterization of P55, a Multidrug Efflux Pump in *Mycobacterium bovis* and *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*

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CARLOS MARTÍN,<sup>1</sup> ANGEL CATALDI,<sup>2</sup> AND JOSÉ A. AÍNSA<sup>1\*</sup>



**MUTATIONS IN RV 0678**



**NO MUTATIONS atpE**

Strain	Description
H37Rv	wild type <i>M. tuberculosis</i> strain
BCLA 2	BDQ-R mutant, H37Rv-derived, no <i>atpE</i> mutations
BCA 4	BDQ-R mutant, H37Rv-derived, no <i>atpE</i> mutations
BCA 8	BDQ-R mutant, H37Rv-derived, no <i>atpE</i> mutations
BK12	BDQ-R mutant, H37Rv-derived, <i>atpE</i> mutation [2]
LV13	BDQ-R mutant, H37Rv-derived, <i>atpE</i> mutation [24]
EH 3.0	MDR <i>M. tuberculosis</i> strain [3]
EH 3.2	BDQ-R mutant, EH 3.0-derived, no <i>atpE</i> mutations [3]
EH 3.6	BDQ-R mutant, EH 3.0-derived, no <i>atpE</i> mutations [3]
EH 3.3	BDQ-R mutant, EH 3.0-derived, no <i>atpE</i> mutations [3]

**BDQ MIC ( $\mu\text{g/ml}$ )**

0.063

0.250 ( $\times 4$ )

NO MUT

0.500 ( $\times 8$ )

0.500 ( $\times 8$ )

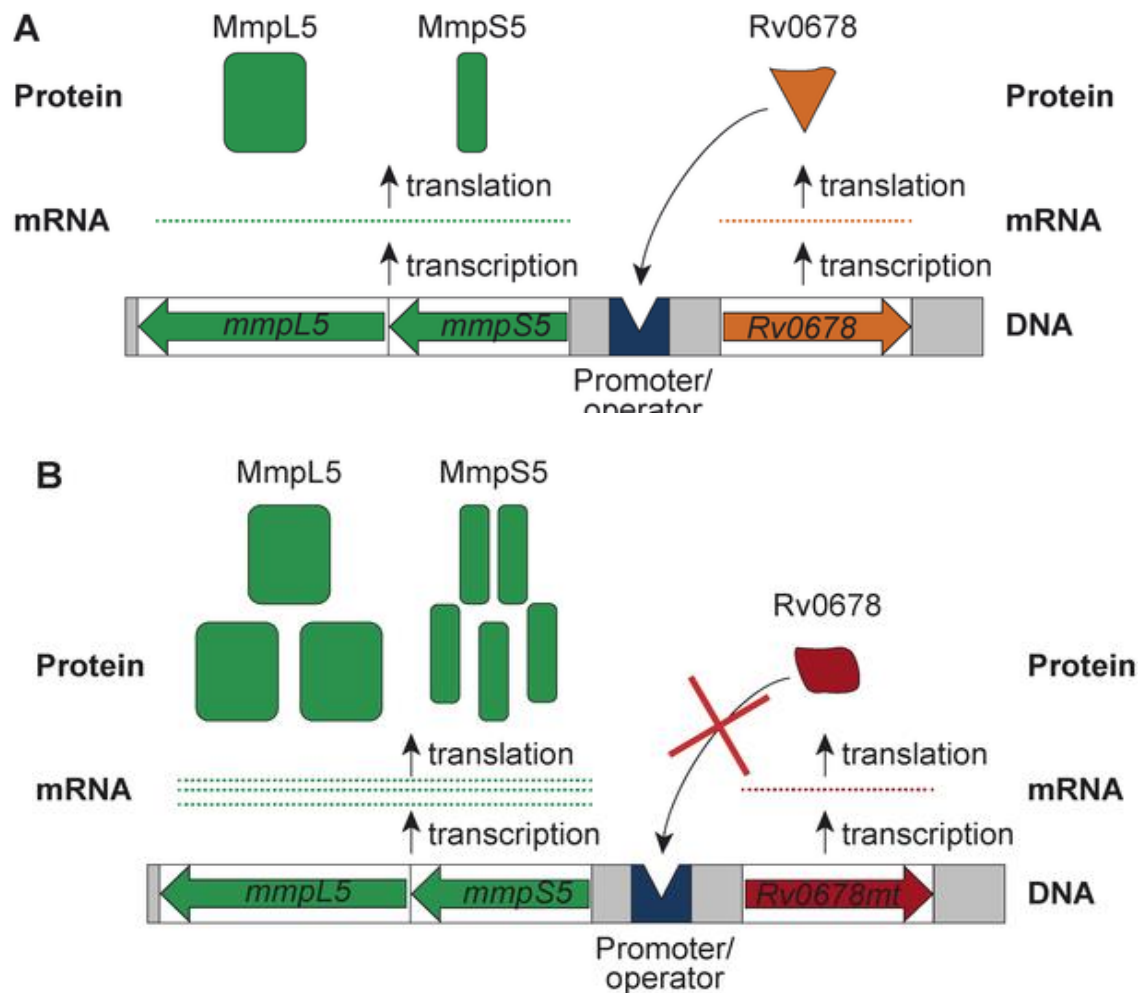
NO MUT

2.000 ( $\times 32$ )

MUT

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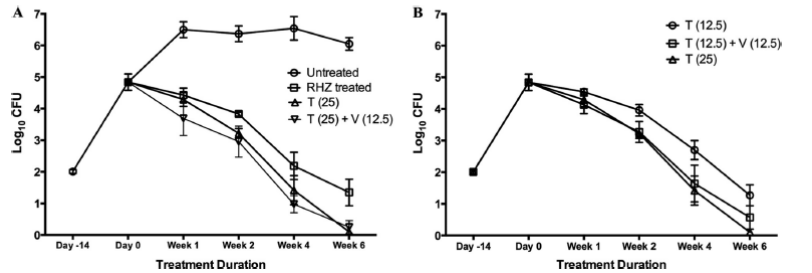
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Verapamil potentiates the activity of bedaquiline,

Verapamil may be cardioprotective, reducing the risk of QT prolongation

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## **Efflux pump inhibitors: targeting mycobacterial efflux systems to enhance TB therapy**

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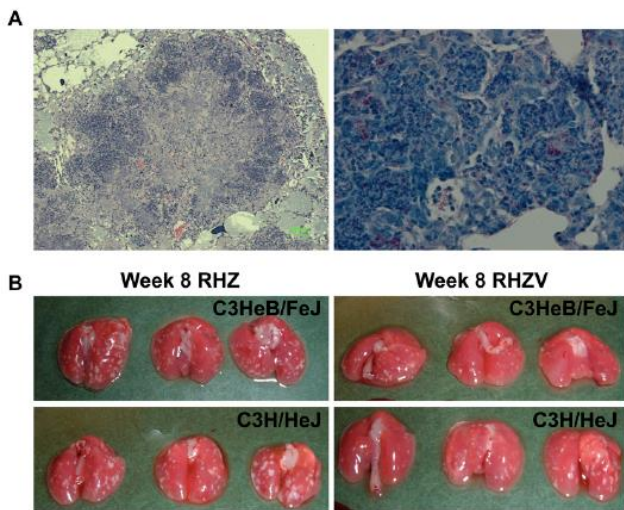
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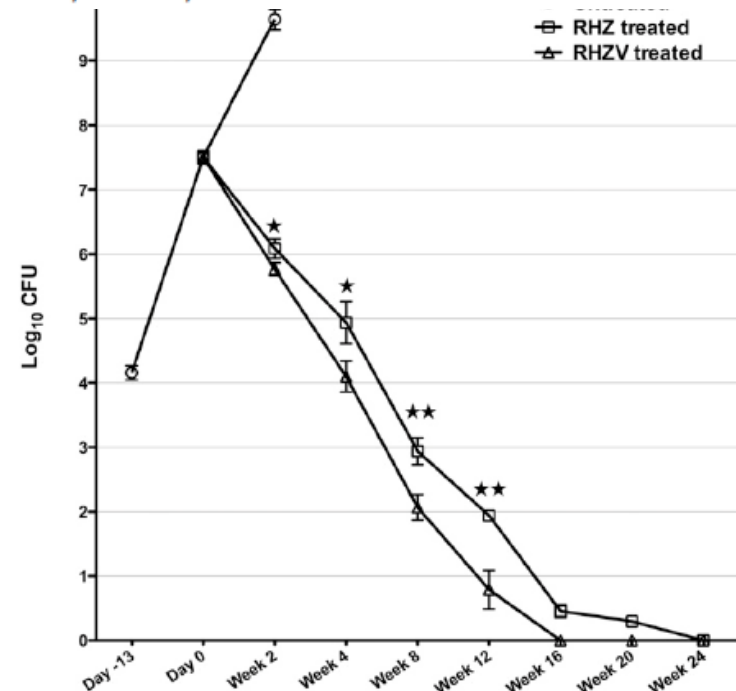


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**Figure 2.** Adjunctive drug treatment with verapamil improves pathology of *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*-infected lungs. (A) Microscopic histopathology of lungs at 2 weeks of infection in C3HeB/FeJ mice. The left panel is hematoxylin and eosin staining (40 $\times$ ), and the right panel is acid fast staining for *M. tuberculosis* H37Rv (500 $\times$ ). (B) Gross lung pathology at 8 weeks of treatment in different groups, as indicated.



**Figure 3.** Adjunctive drug treatment with verapamil reduces bacterial counts during active disease. (A) Timeline and experimental scheme for the 9 months of the experiment. A total of 10 mice from each group were held at Weeks 16, 20, and 24 of treatment for an additional 3 months without any treatment for relapse study. (B) C3HeB/FeJ and C3H/HeJ mice were infected with Log<sub>10</sub> 4.2 *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* H37Rv, and the treatment started at Day 14 after infection. The mice were treated with rifampin (R; 10 mg/kg), isoniazid (H; 10 mg/kg), pyrazinamide (Z; 150 mg/kg), and verapamil (V; 9.40 mg/kg) daily for 5 d/wk. The lungs were homogenized, diluted, and plated for cfu counts and expressed as Log<sub>10</sub> cfu ( $\pm$ SD). \* $P < 0.01$  and \*\* $P < 0.001$  for RHZ versus RHZV groups.

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# Efflux Activity Differentially Modulates the Levels of Isoniazid and Rifampicin Resistance among Multidrug Resistant and Mono-resistant *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* Strains



## Interplay between Mutations and Efflux in Drug Resistant Clinical Isolates of *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*

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HIPÓTESE DE COMO OCORRE O EFLUXO ?

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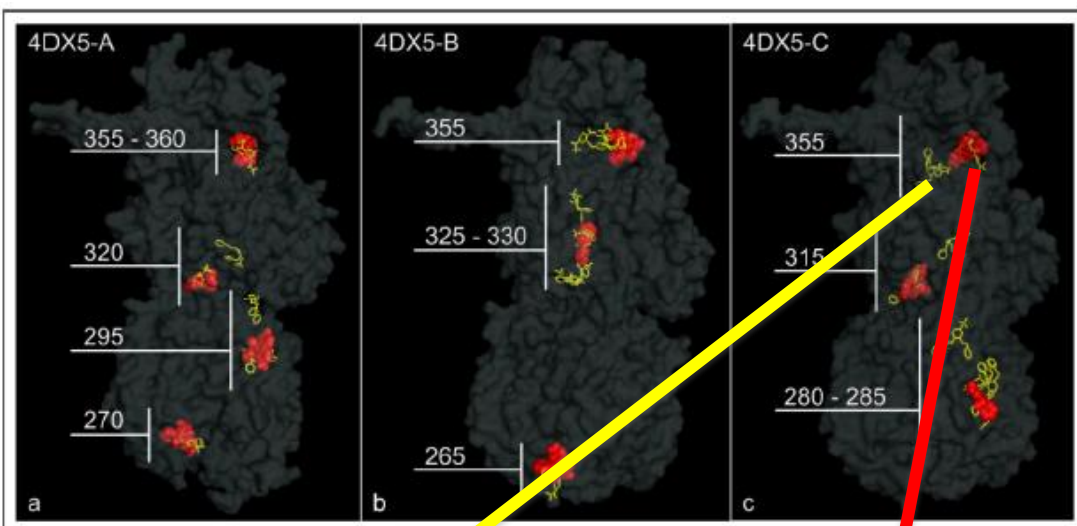
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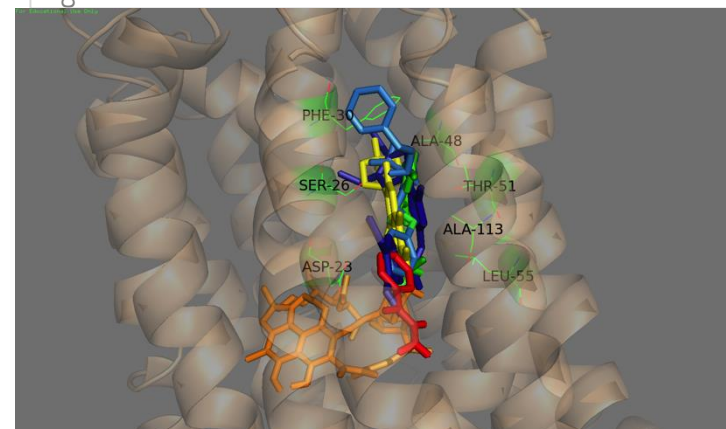
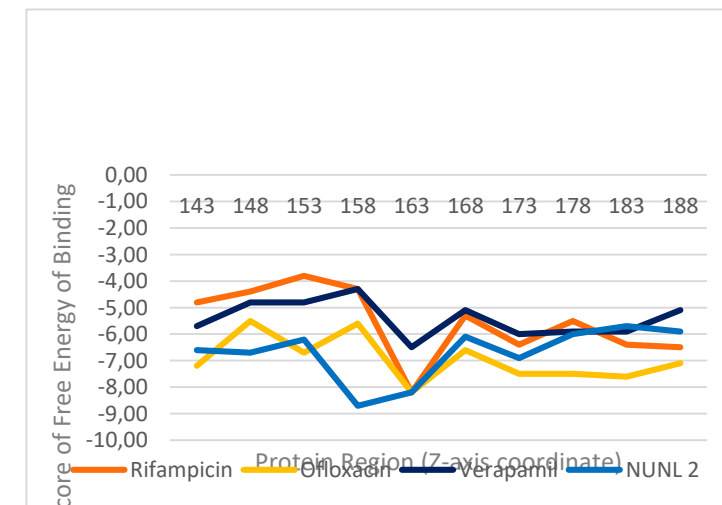
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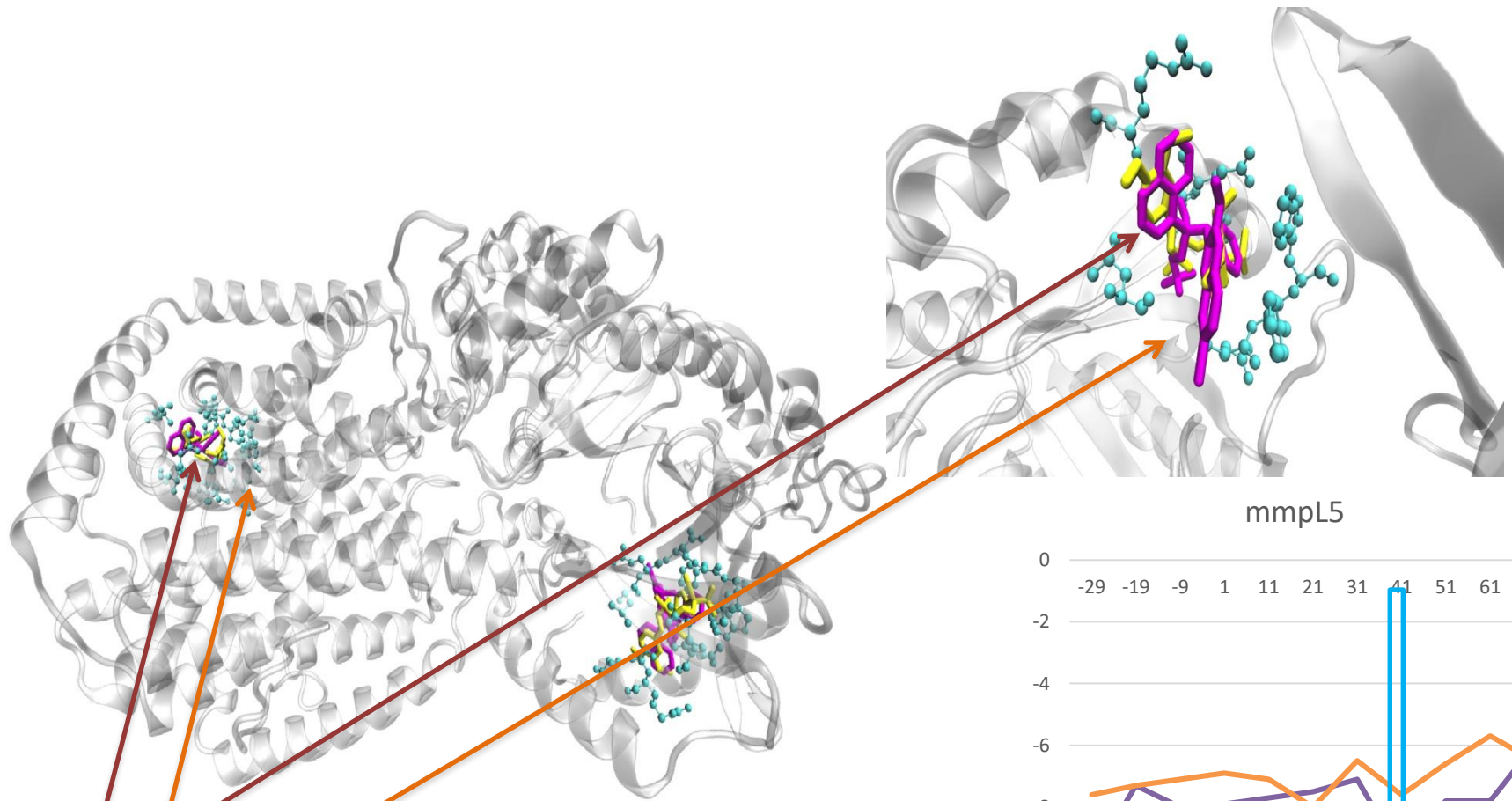




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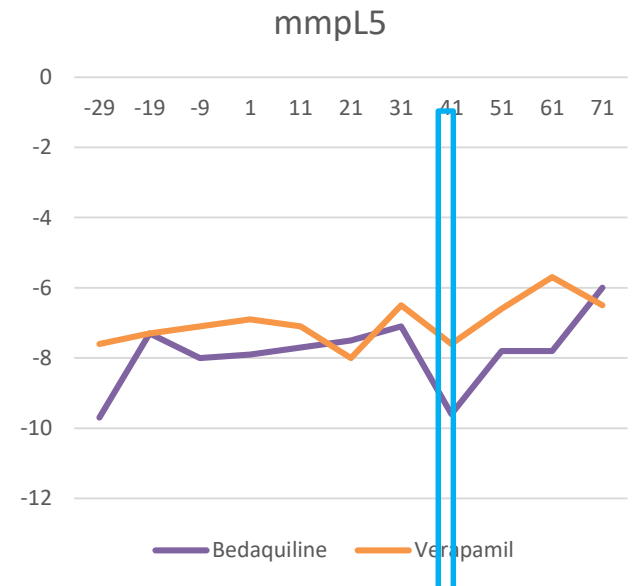
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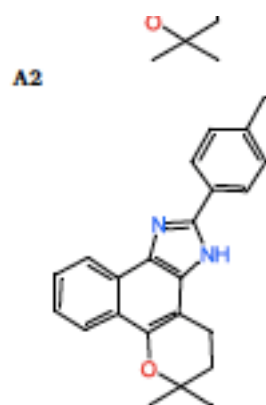
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Anti-*Mycobacterium tuberculosis* activity of naphthoimidazoles combined with isoniazid and rifampicin

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C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O

6,6-dimethyl-2-(p-tolyl)-3,4,5,6-tetrahydrobenzo[7,8]chromeno[5,6-d]imidazole

Table 2

Interaction of INH/RIF with naphthoimidazoles against *M. tuberculosis* H37Rv. Given that MIC of INH alone 0.03 µg/mL; MIC of RIF alone = 0.5 µg/mL; FICI = Fractional Inhibitory Concentration Index; (A) = Additivity and (I) = Indifference. INH Interaction with RMP: additivity (FICI = 1).

Compound	MIC (µg/mL)	FIC			
		MIC Compound/INH(µg/mL)	FICI/Interaction	MIC Compound/RIF(µg/mL)	FICI/Interaction
A1	3.12	1.56/0.016	1 (A)	1.56/0.25	1 (A)
A2	1.56	1.56/0.016	1.5 (I)	0.78/0.06	0.62 (A)
B1	3.12	1.56/0.016	1 (A)	1.56/0.125	0.75 (A)
B2	25	25/0.016	1.5 (I)	12.5/0.125	0.75 (A)
B3	1.56	1.56/0.016	1.5 (I)	1.56/0.25	1.5 (I)
C1	3.12	1.56/0.016	1 (A)	1.56/0.5	1.5 (I)
C2	3.12	1.56/0.016	1 (A)	1.56/0.25	1 (A)
C3	> 100	> 100/0.03	ND	> 100/0.5	ND
D1	6.25	3.12/0.016	1 (A)	3.12/0.25	1 (A)

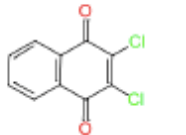
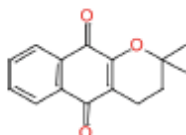
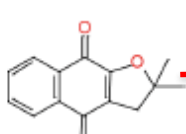
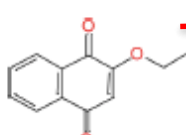
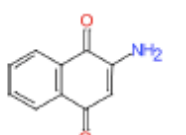
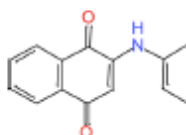
\*FICI ≤ 0.5; Synergism; 0.5 < FICI ≤ 1; Additivity; 1 < FICI ≤ 2, Indifference; and FICI > 2, Antagonism.



# Naphthoquinone Derivatives as Scaffold to Develop New Drugs for Tuberculosis Treatment

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**TABLE 1 |** Characterization of the 1,4-naphthoquinone derivatives.

Chemical structure	Chemical formula	Nomenclature
	C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>4</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	2,3-Dichloronaphthalene-1,4-dione
	C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>14</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	2,2-Dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-2H-benzo[g]chromene-5,10-dione
	C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>12</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	2,2-Dimethyl-2,3-dihydronaphtho[2,3-b]furan-1,8-dione
	C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>10</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	2-(Allyloxy)naphthalene-1,4-dione
	C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>7</sub> NO <sub>2</sub>	2-Aminonaphthalene-1,4-dione
	C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>11</sub> NO <sub>2</sub>	2-(Phenylamino)naphthalene-1,4-dione

Compound	MIC (μM)		
	H37Rv	INH <sub>R</sub>	RMP <sub>R</sub>
<b>1</b>	110.6	110.6	110.6
<b>2</b>	103.3	206.6	206.6
<b>3</b>	54.8	54.8	54.8
<b>4</b>	58.4	234	234
<b>5</b>	72.2	36.1	36.1
<b>6</b>	100.4	100.4	12.5
INH	0.438	14.6	≤0.219
RIF	0.608	0.304	622.2

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- *Conticribra weissflogii*
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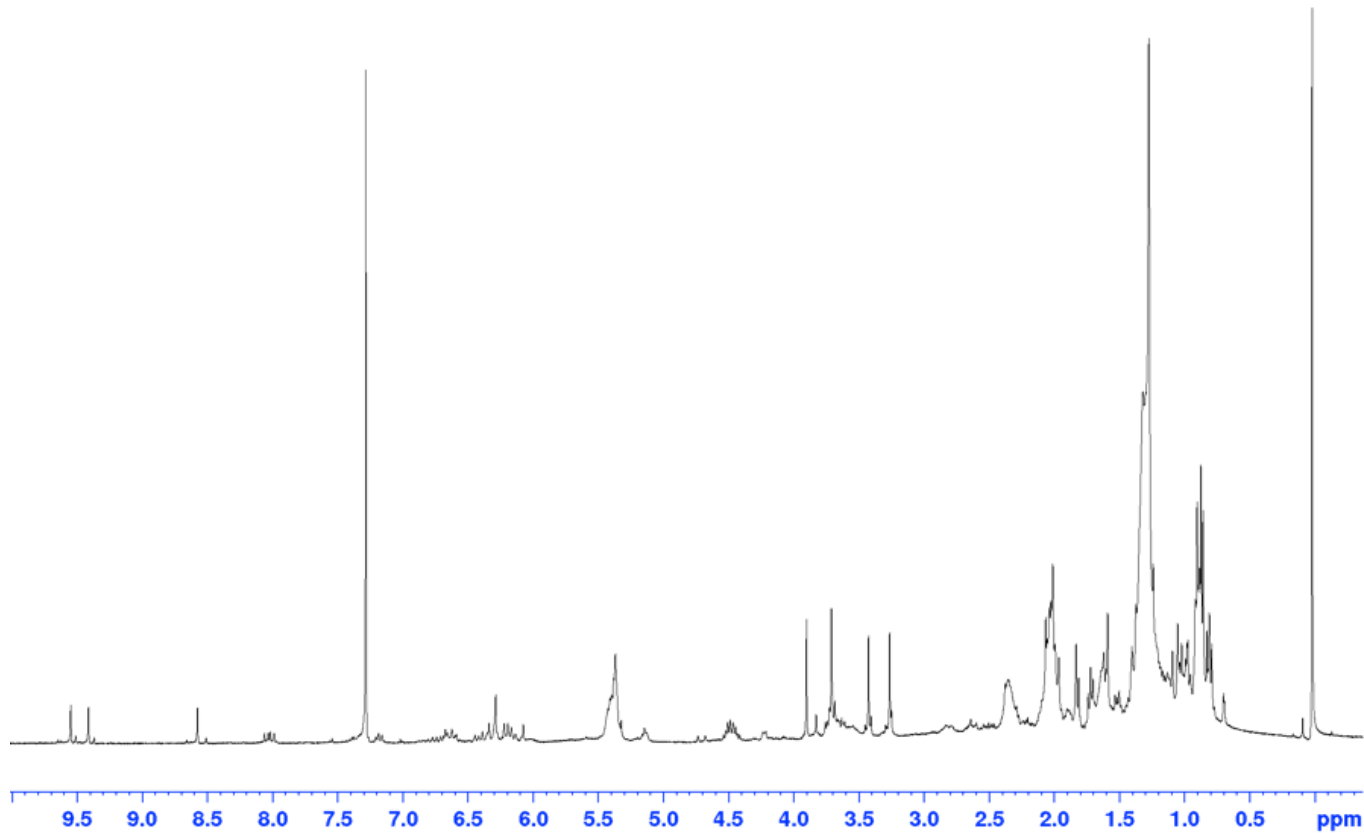
***Conticribra weissflogii***

<b>Extrato</b>	<b>Rendimento (%)</b>	<b><i>S.aureus</i></b>	<b><i>S. pneumoniae</i>*</b>	<b><i>P. aeruginosa</i></b>	<b><i>A. baumannii</i></b>
Água	47,29	Inativo	Inativo	Inativo	Inativo
Metanol	21,3	Inativo	Inativo	Inativo	Inativo
Acetona	2,7	200 µg/mL	Inativo	Inativo	Inativo
Acetato de Etila	3,6	200 µg/mL	400 µg/mL	Inativo	Inativo
Diclorometano	4,1	200 µg/mL (Rx)	Inativo	Inativo	Inativo
Clorofórmio	5,5	200 µg/mL	Inativo	Inativo	Inativo
Hexano	1,7	100 µg/mL	Inativo	Inativo	400 µg/mL
Ciprofloxacino	-	≤0,0625	-	≤0,0625	0,125 (RX)
Amikacina	-	>2	-	1	>2

<b>Extrato</b>	<b><i>E. coli</i>*</b>	<b><i>Serratia liquefaciens</i>*</b>	<b><i>M. marinum</i>*</b>	<b><i>M. tuberculosis</i></b>
Água	Não ativo	Não ativo	Não ativo	Não ativo
Metanol	Não ativo	Não ativo	800 µg/mL	400 µg/mL
Acetona	Não ativo	Não ativo	Não ativo	100 µg/mL
Acetato de Etila	Não ativo	Não ativo	100 µg/mL	100 µg/mL
Diclorometano	Não ativo	Não ativo	800 µg/mL	200 µg/mL
Clorofórmio	Não ativo	Não ativo	800 µg/mL	100 µg/mL
Hexano	Ativo a 800 µg/mL Rx	Não ativo	Não ativo	≤ 50 µg/mL

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# Antimycobacterial activity of usnic acid against resistant and susceptible strains of *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* and non-tuberculous mycobacteria

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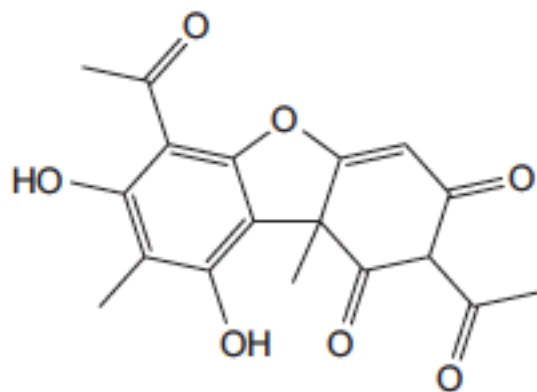


Figure 1. Structure of usnic acid.

Table 1. Usnic acid antimicrobial activity.

Usnic acid	CCCP	Verapamil
12.25 µg/mL	12.5 µg/mL	12.5 µg/mL
1.56 µg/mL	NR	NR
6.25 µg/mL	NR	NR
12.5 µg/mL	NR	NR
12.5 µg/mL	12.5 µg/mL	6.5 µg/mL
100 µg/mL	100 µg/mL	100 µg/mL
50 µg/mL	25 µg/mL	25 µg/mL
25µg/mL	50 µg/mL	25 µg/mL

of usnic acid against isoniazid (INH), streptomycin fampicin (RMP) resistant and susceptible strains; and NMT with and without inhibitor efflux.



# Antimicrobial and Efflux Inhibitor Activity of Usnic Acid Against *Mycobacterium abscessus*

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► **Table 1** MICs of the antimicrobials, usnic acid, EIs, and ethidium bromide for the *M. abscessus* strains.

Strain	AMI	MIC (μM)							
		CIP	CLA <sup>a</sup>	CLA <sup>b</sup>	CLA <sup>c</sup>	UA	CCCP	VP	EtBr
ATCC 19977	1.71	3.02	0.67	2.67	5.35	18.15	1.91	687.41	20.29
AT 07	3.41	6.03	0.17	2.67	10.69	9.07	1.91	687.41	81.16
AT 46	1.71	12.07	0.33	42.78	–	9.07	7.64	687.41	20.29
AT 52	6.83	24.14	171.13	–	–	9.07	3.82	687.41	20.29

AMI: amikacin; CIP: ciprofloxacin; CLA: clarithromycin; UA: usnic acid; CCCP: carbonyl cyanide m-chlorophenyl hydrazone; VP: verapamil; EtBr: ethidium bromide; <sup>a</sup> Value by visual reading in day 3; <sup>b</sup> Value by visual reading in day 5; <sup>c</sup> Value by visual reading in day 7. The assays were performed in triplicate.

► **Table 2** Interaction between the EIs in combination with usnic acid against *M. abscessus* strains.

	EI	Strains							
		ATCC 19977		AT 07		AT 46		AT 52	
		MIC (μM)	MF	MIC (μM)	MF	MIC (μM)	MF	MIC (μM)	MF
UA	No EI	18.15	–	9.07	–	9.07	–	9.07	–
	+CCCP	9.07	2	4.54	2	9.07	1	4.54	2
	+VP	4.54	4	4.54	2	4.54	2	2.27	4

UA: usnic acid; CCCP: carbonyl cyanide m-chlorophenyl hydrazone; VP: verapamil. The assays were performed in triplicate

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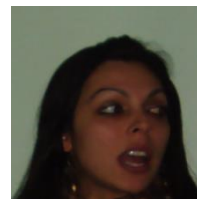
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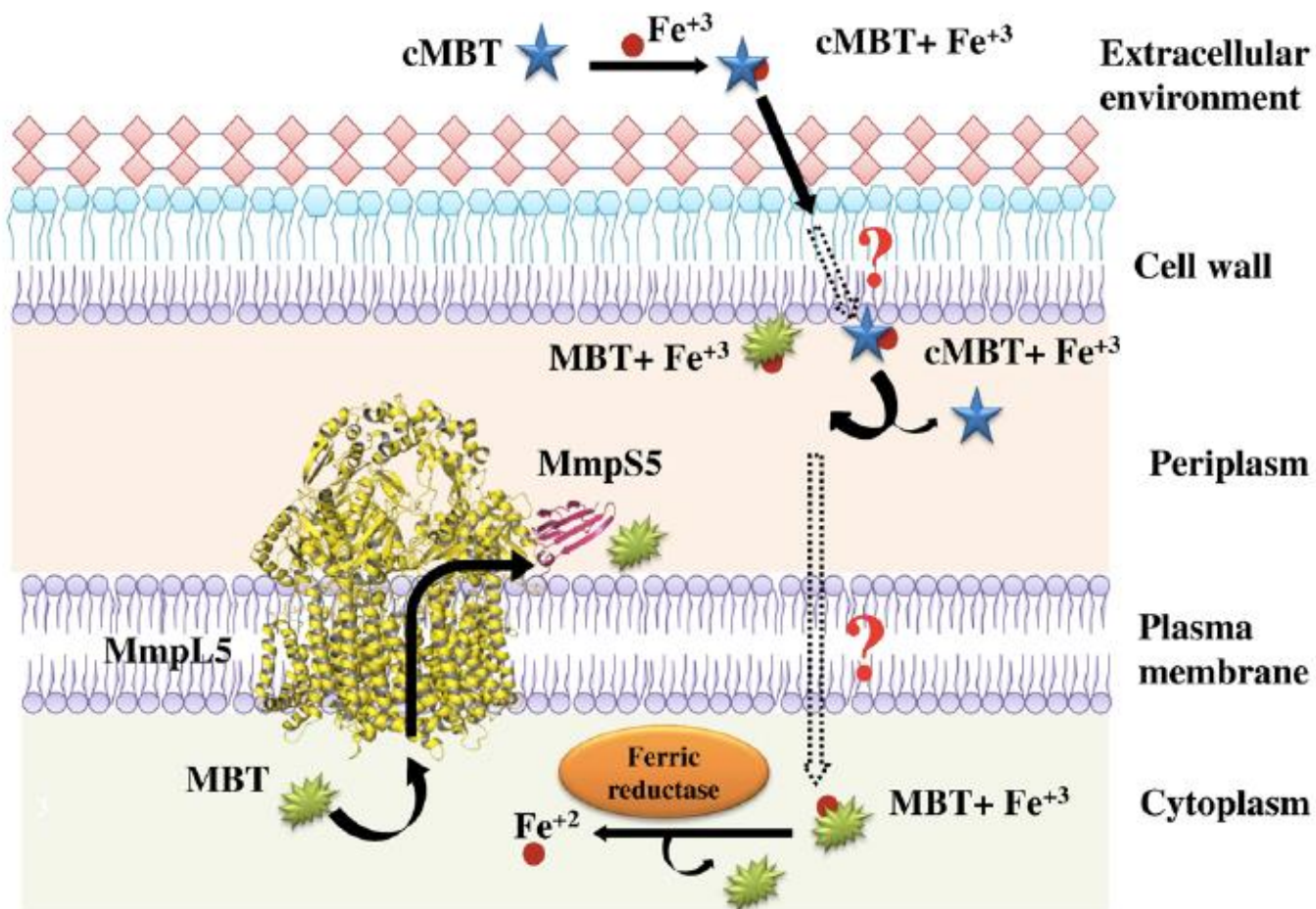


## Siderophore transport by MmpL5-MmpS5 protein complex in *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*

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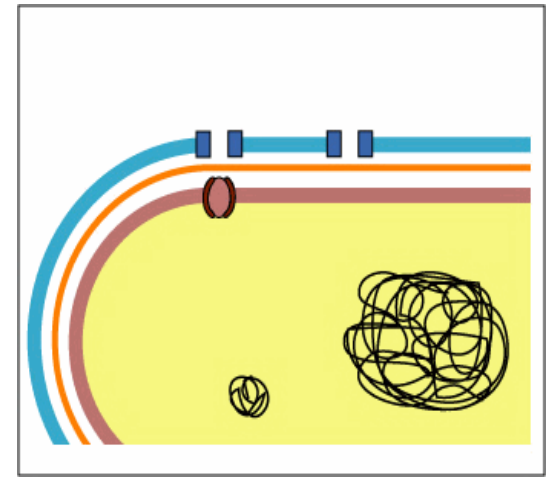
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# Roadmap

- Evidences of drug efflux in *Mtb*
- MmL5/MmlS5, the new pump star
- Inhibition of the efflux mechanism
- Efflux in *M. abscessus*



# Main mechanisms of action of EIP

- Competition Inhibitor x antibiotic
- Suppress expression efflux pump
- Disrupt pmf
- Alter ATB structure (no recognised by pump)
- Disrupted pump assembly (RND -Mycobacteria and Gram neg)
- Block Porine (RND - Mycobacteria and Gram neg)

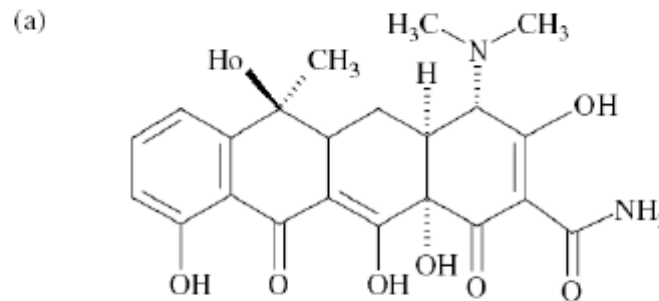
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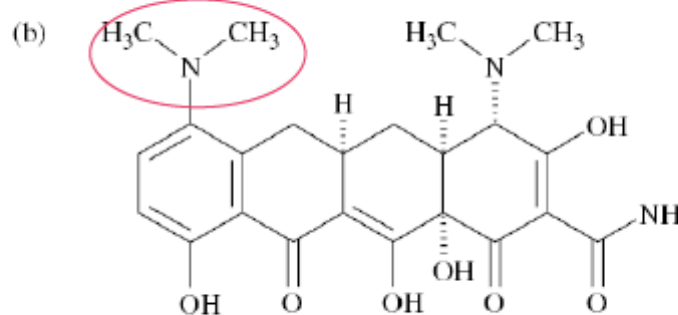
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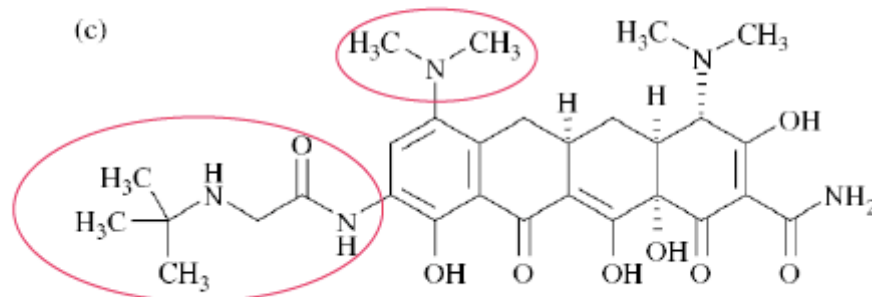


Minocycline

Substitution that impairs efflux

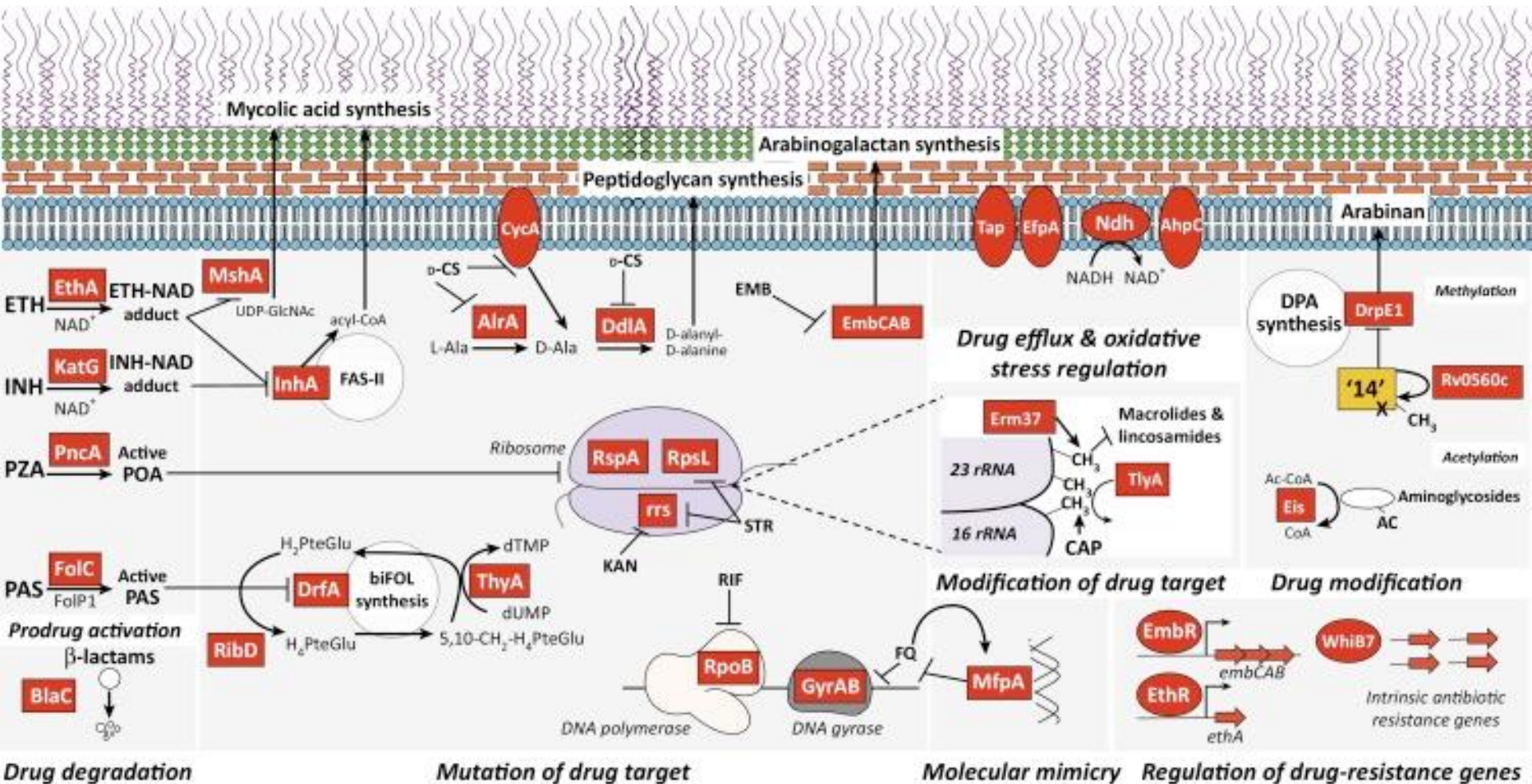


Tigecycline



# DOCKING (EIP AND ATB) IN TWO EFFLUX PUMP OF Mtb

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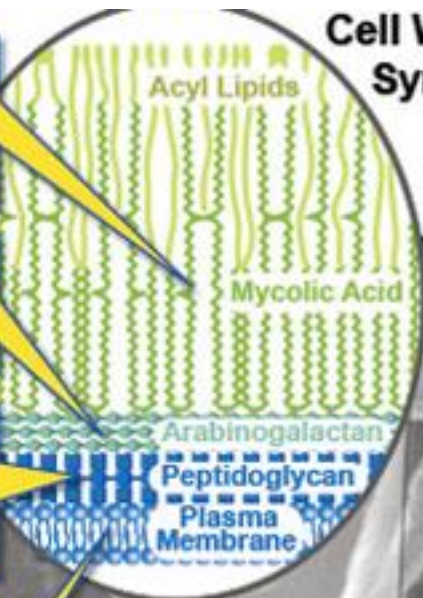
**Nitroimidazoles**  
Inhibit mycolic acid and other targets

**SQ-109**  
Inhibits cell wall synthesis

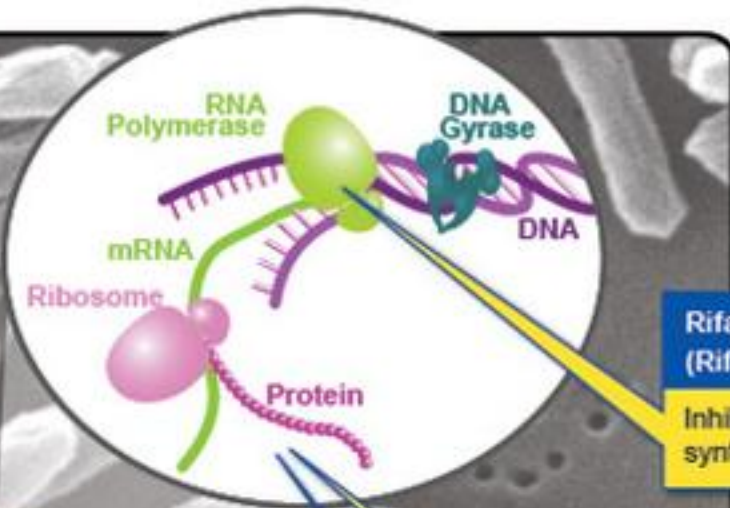
**Meropenem**  
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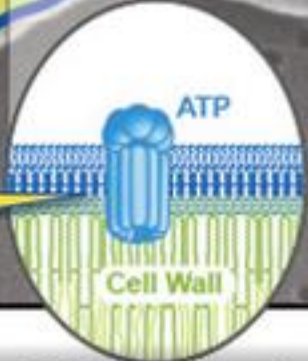


**Rifamycins (Rifapentine)**  
Inhibit RNA synthesis

**Oxazolidinones (Linezolid, Sutezolid)**  
Inhibit protein synthesis

**Macrolides**  
Inhibit protein synthesis

*Mycobacterium tuberculosis*



ATP Synthase



## Cell Wall Synthesis

**Thioamides**  
Inhibit cell wall synthesis

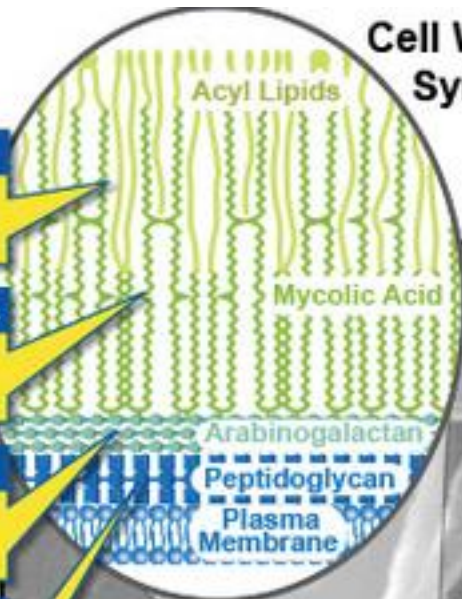
**Nitroimidazoles**  
Inhibit mycolic acid synthesis

**Ethambutol**  
Inhibits cell wall synthesis

**Cycloserine**  
Inhibits cell wall synthesis

**Pyrazinamide**  
Exact target is unclear  
Disrupts plasma membrane  
Disrupts energy metabolism

**Diarylquinoline**  
Inhibits ATP synthase



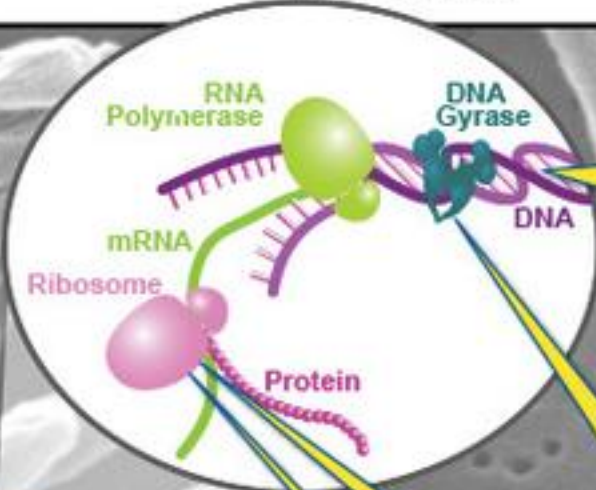
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Inhibits synthesis of DNA precursors

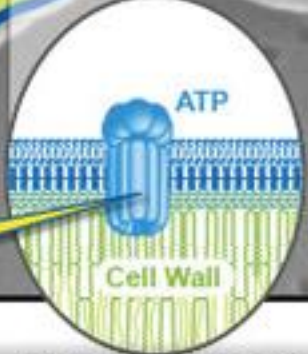
**Fluoroquinolones**  
Inhibit DNA Gyrase

**Cyclic Peptides**  
Inhibit protein synthesis

**Aminoglycosides**  
Inhibit protein synthesis



## Mycobacterium tuberculosis



## ATP Synthesis

Drug	MIC (mg/L)	Gene	Role of gene product
Isoniazid	0.02–0.2 (7H9/7H10)	<i>katG</i>	catalase/peroxidase
		<i>inhA</i>	enoyl reductase
		<i>ahpC</i>	alkyl hydroperoxide reductase
Rifampicin	0.05–0.1 (7H9/7H10)	<i>rpoB</i>	β-subunit of RNA polymerase
Pyrazinimide	16–50 (LJ)	<i>pncA</i>	PZase
Streptomycin	2–8 (7H9/7H10)	<i>rpsL</i>	S12 ribosomal protein
		<i>rrs</i>	16S rRNA
		<i>gidB</i>	7-methylguanosine methyltransferase
Ethambutol	1–5 (7H9/7H10)	<i>embB</i>	arabinosyl transferase
Fluoroquinolones	0.5–2.0 (7H9/7H10)	<i>gyrA/gyrB</i>	DNA gyrase
Kanamycin/amikacin	2–4 (7H9/7H10)	<i>rrs</i>	16S rRNA
Capreomycin/viomycin	2–4	<i>tlyA</i>	rRNA methyltransferase
Ethionamide	10 (7H11)	<i>inhA</i>	enoyl reductase
<i>p</i> -amino salicylic acid	0.5 (LJ)	<i>thyA</i>	thymidylate synthase A
PA-824 and OPC-67683	0.03 (7H9/7H10)	Rv3547	hypothetical 16.4 kDa
TMC207	0.03 (7H9/7H10)	<i>atpE</i>	ATP synthase

<b>Drug</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Sponsor(s)</b>	<b>Phase</b>
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Q203	imidazopyridine	Qurient, Infectex, PanACEA	II
SQ109	1,2-ethylene diamine	Infectex, Sequella, PanACEA	II (phase III controversially claimed in Russia, see text)
PBTZ169	DprE1 inhibitor	Nearmedic, iM4TB, BMGF	II
OPC-167832	carbostyryl	Otsuka, BMGF	I
LCB01-0371	oxazolidinone	LegoChem Biosciences	II

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## **Drug resistance mechanisms and drug susceptibility testing for tuberculosis**

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**Table 2** Overview of fitness cost conferred by drug resistance-related mutations in RIF, INH and EMB

Drug	Mutation <sup>†</sup>	Experiment conditions <sup>‡</sup>	Relative fitness <sup>§</sup>	Reference
RIF	<i>rpoA</i> T187A	N/A	~1.00	36
	<i>rpoA</i> T187P	N/A	~1.20	36
	<i>rpoB</i> S531L (S450L)	Competition	>1.00	37
	<i>rpoB</i> S531W (S450W)	Competition	0.67–0.88	37,38
		Independent	0.71	38
		In macrophage	0.28	38
	<i>rpoB</i> H526Y (H445Y)	Competition	0.81–0.89	37,38
		Independent	0.86	38
		In macrophage	0.63	38
	<i>rpoB</i> S522L (S441L)	Competition	0.54–0.88	38
		Independent	0.95	38
		In macrophage	0.50	38
	<i>rpoB</i> S531L (S450L)	Competition	0.91, 0.96,	37,38
	<i>rpoB</i> H526D (H445D)	Competition	0.78–0.81	37,38
	<i>rpoB</i> H526R (H445R)	Competition	0.82	37,38
	<i>rpoB</i> Q513L (Q432L)	Competition	0.83	37,38
	<i>rpoB</i> H526P (H445P)	Competition	0.84	37,38
<i>rpoB</i> R529Q (R448Q)	Competition	0.58	38	
<i>rpoC</i> D485N	N/A	~1.00	36	
INH	<i>ahpC</i> downregulation	Animal model <sup>¶</sup>	Reduced <sup>¶</sup>	39,40
	<i>inhA</i> C-15T	Independent	0.82–1.01	41
	<i>katG</i> S315T	Independent	0.82–0.96	41
EMB	<i>embB</i> M306V	Competition	0.80–0.90	13
	<i>ubiA</i> A237V	Competition	1.00	13
	<i>Rv3792</i> L198L	Competition	0.95–1.00	13
	<i>embB</i> M306V + <i>ubiA</i> A237V	Competition	0.80–0.90	13
	<i>embB</i> M306 V + <i>Rv3792</i> L198L	Competition	0.95–1.00	13

<sup>†</sup>Refer Andre *et al.*<sup>42</sup> for *rpoB* MTB numbering system reported in parenthesis.

<sup>‡</sup>Experimental conditions were referred as competition, pairwise competition assay; independent, independent mtb growth assay; in macrophage, macrophage challenge experiment and N/A, not available.

<sup>§</sup>Relative fitness was calculated by (growth rate of mutated strain)/(growth rate of reference strains).

<sup>¶</sup>For study conducted to understand the effect of *ahpC* downregulations, the study was conducted to evaluate the virulence of *ahpC* knockdown MTB in immunocompromised mice.

EMB, ethambutol; INH, isoniazid; MTB, *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*; RIF, rifampicin.



key:

Effective drug

Bacteria resistant

## *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*

Isoniazid

Rifampin

### Newly Introduced Drugs:

- Bedaquiline
- Delamanid

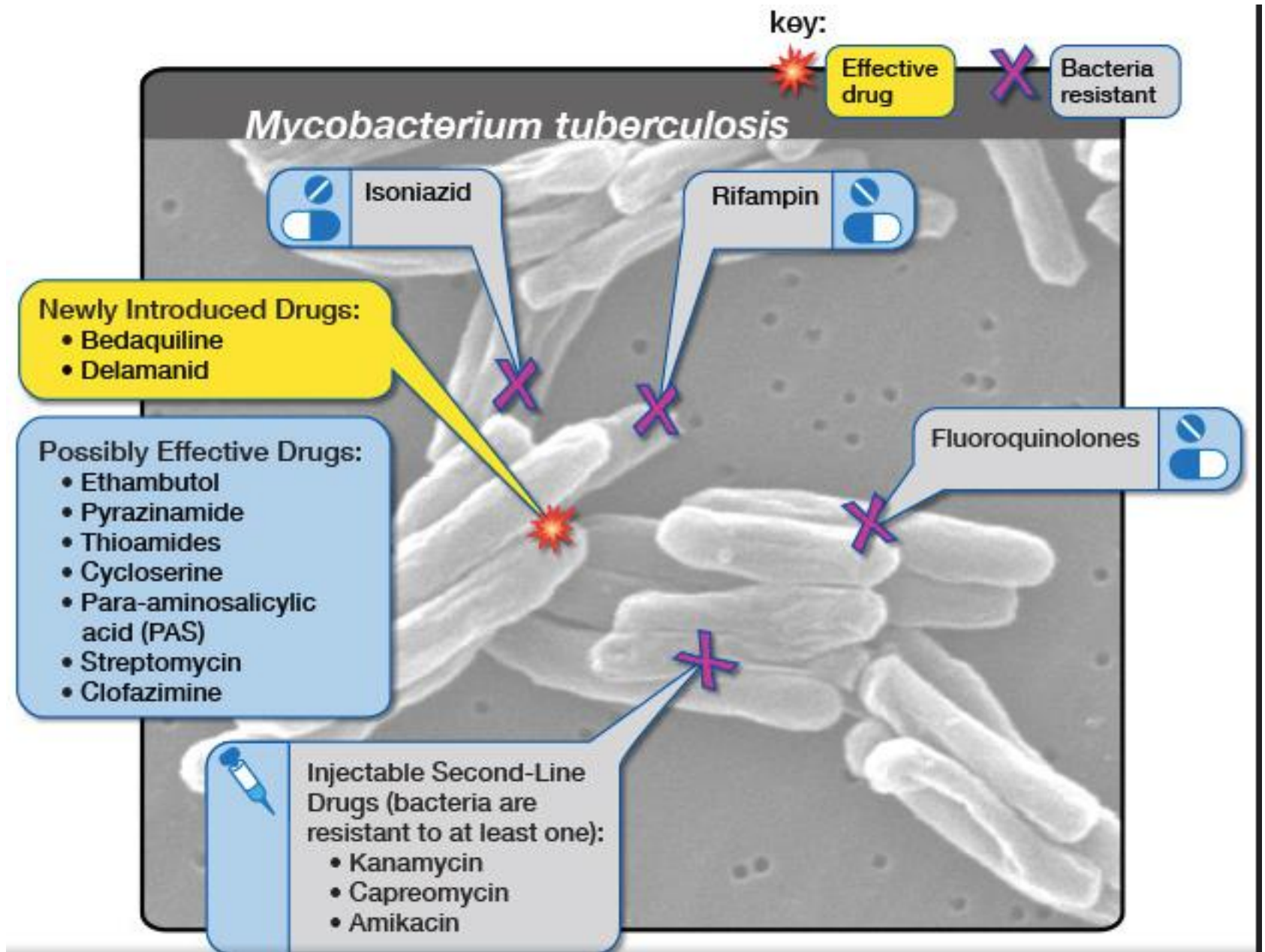
### Possibly Effective Drugs:

- Ethambutol
- Pyrazinamide
- Thioamides
- Cycloserine
- Para-aminosalicylic acid (PAS)
- Streptomycin
- Clofazimine

Fluoroquinolones

Injectable Second-Line Drugs (bacteria are resistant to at least one):

- Kanamycin
- Capreomycin
- Amikacin



# *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*

SQ-109\*

Nitroimidazoles:

- PA-824\*

Meropenem\*

Macrolides

Imidazopyridine Amide:

- Q203

Rifapentine

Benzothiazinones:

- PBTZ169
- BTZ043

Oxazolidinones:

- Sutezolid\*
- Linezolid\*

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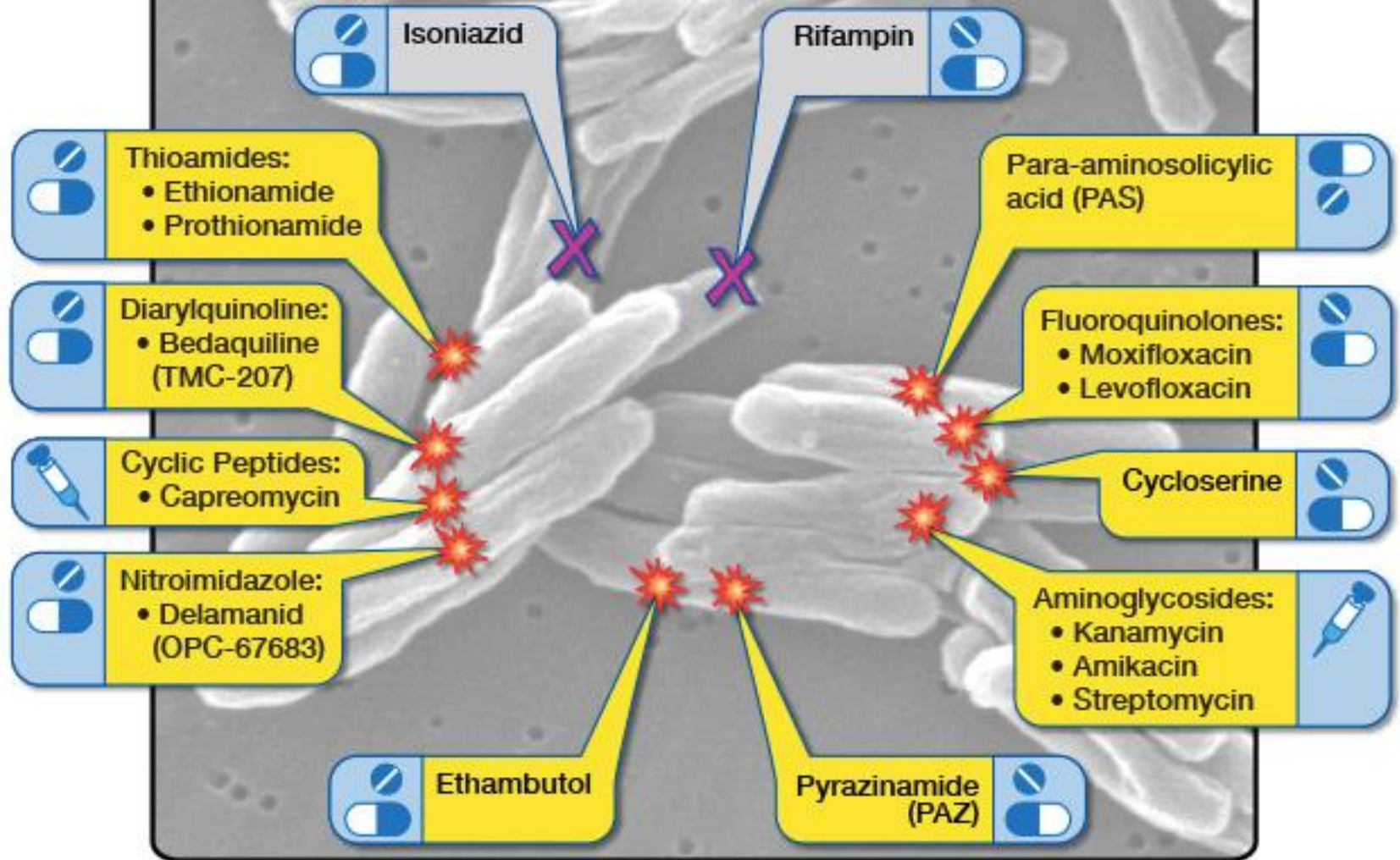


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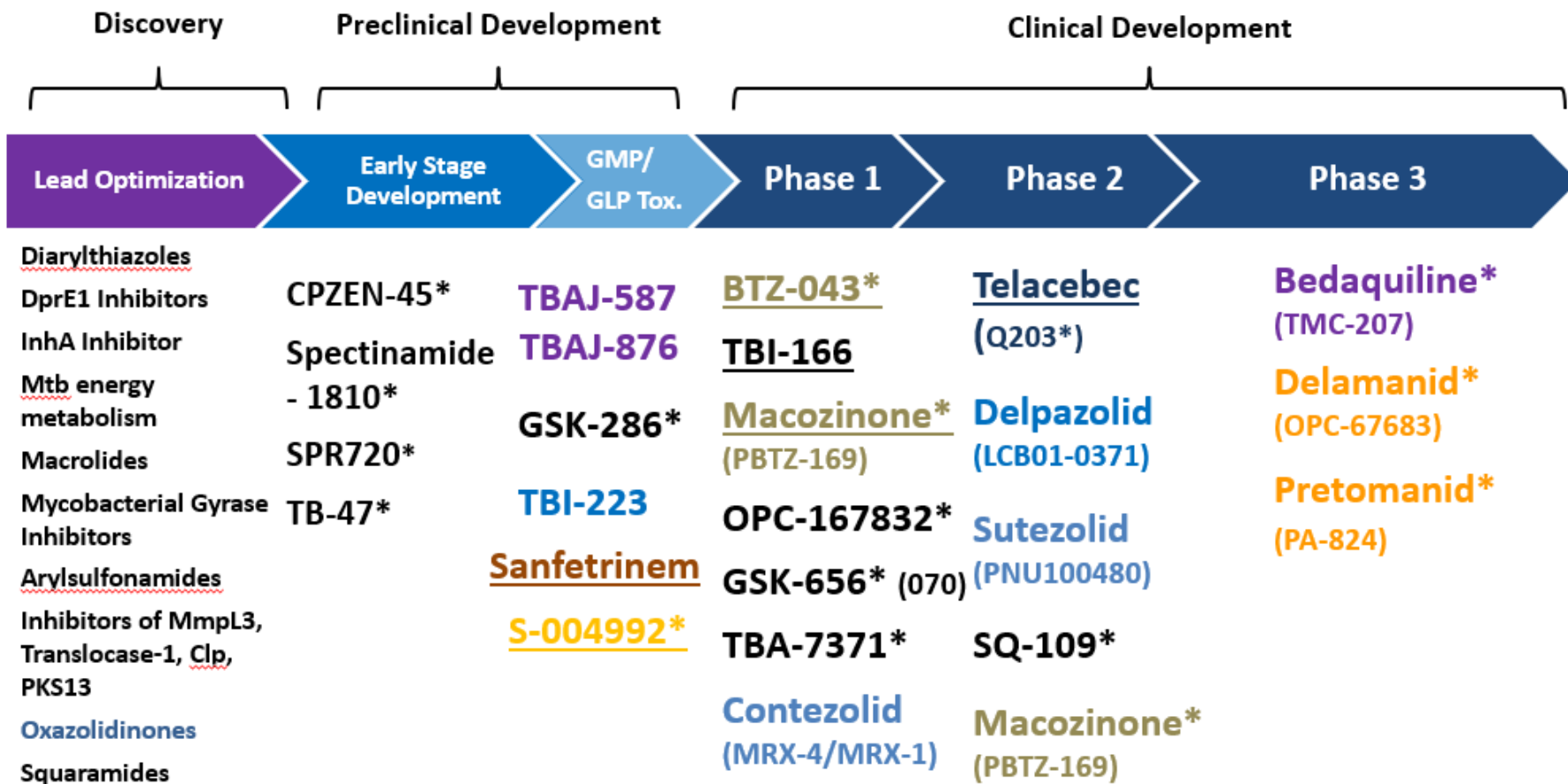
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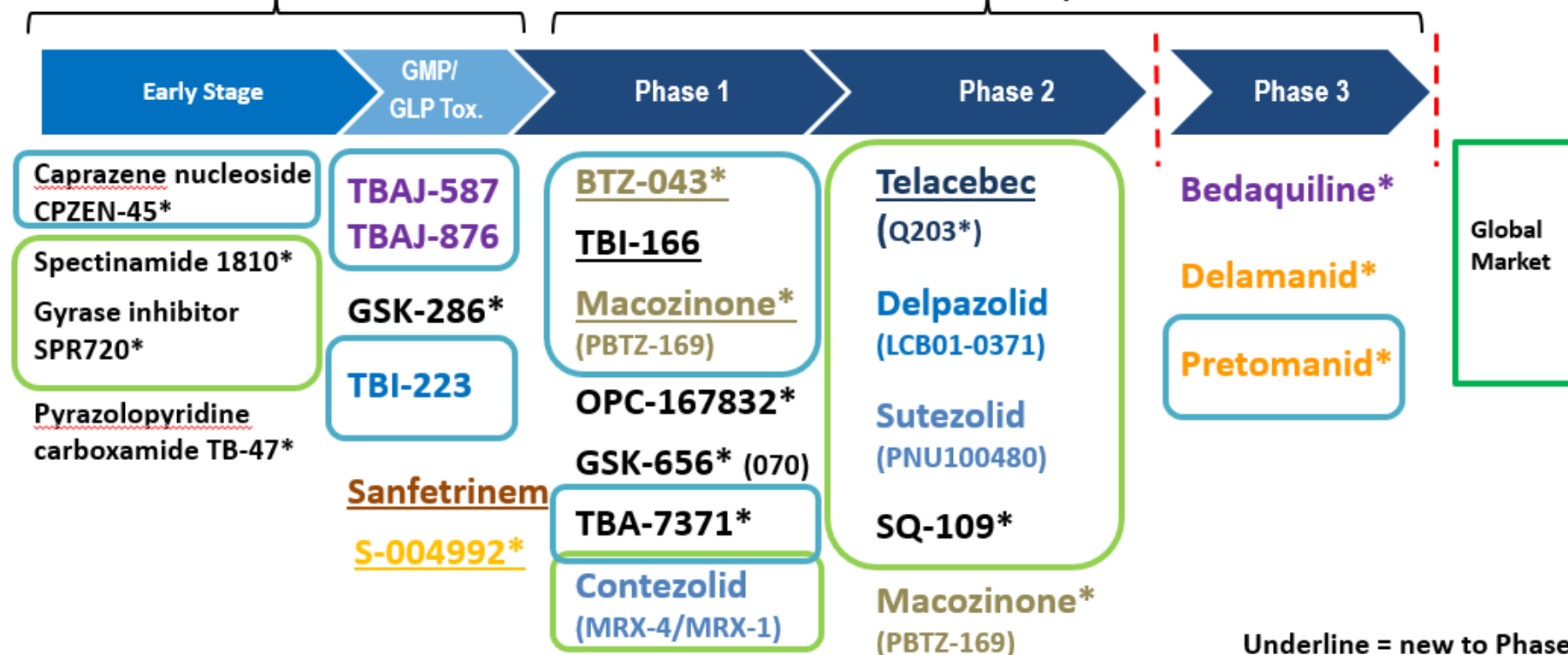
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Small Pharma

Non Profits

Preclinical Development

Clinical Development



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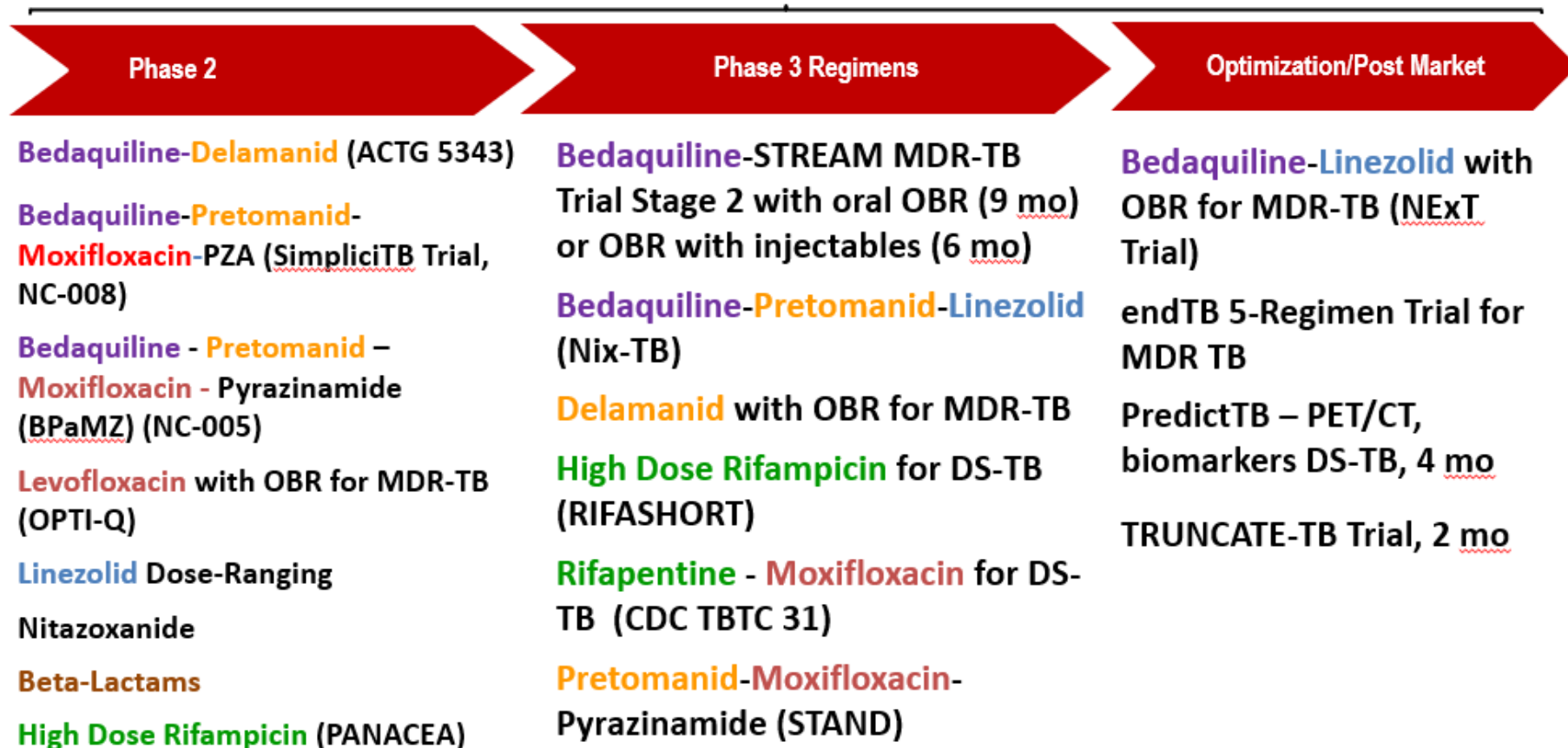


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# 2018 Global TB Drug and Regimen Clinical Research<sup>1</sup>

Ongoing Clinical Development Research: Strategy / Optimization / Regimen Development



TB PRACTECAL - regimens with **Bedaquiline-Pretomanid-Linezolid**

Known chemical classes are color coded: **fluoroquinolone**, **rifamycin**, **oxazolidinone**, **nitroimidazole**, **diarylquinoline**, **benzothiazinone**, **imidazopyridine amide**, **beta-lactam**.

<sup>1</sup> Strategy trials, regimen development, open label, repurposed drug studies. Details for projects listed can be found at <http://www.newtbdrugs.org/pipeline/clinical>

<sup>2</sup> OBR = Optimized Background Regimen



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# 2018 Global TB Drug Discovery Pipeline <sup>1</sup>

## Hit-to-Lead

**Actinomycete Metabolites** (U ILL Chicago, Myongii U)

**Novel Hit-to-Lead Programs** (Lilly DDI) GATB

**Adamantanids** (U ILL Chicago)

**Whole-Cell Hit-to-Lead** (GSK, GATB)

**Menaquinone Synthase Inhibitors** (CSU)

**M. tb Energy Metabolism Inhibitors** (GATB, TBDA,  
J&J/CSIR-Imtech, Univ. of Notre Dame)

**Isoprenoid Biosynthesis Inhibitors** (Lilly DDI)

**Whole-Cell Hit-to-Lead** (GATB, Evotec)

**RNA Polymerase Inhibitors** (GATB)

**ClpC/P1P2** (GATB)

## Lead Optimization

**Diarylthiazoles** (TBDA)

**InhA Inhibitors** (GATB/GHDDI)

**Spectinamides** (St. Jude, U Tenn, CSU, UZ, Microbiotix)

**Macrolides** (GATB, Evotec)

**Clp** (SPRINT TB / A\* Star)

**Indolcarboxamides / MmpL3 inhibitors** (GATB, TBDA)

**Oxazolidinones** (IMM)

**Aryl Sulfonamides** (GATB, GSK, TBDA)

**PKS13 inhibitors** (GATB, DDU, TAMU, GSK, TBDA)

**Squaramides** (GATB, TBDA, Evotec)

<sup>1</sup> Details for projects listed can be found at <http://www.newtbdrugs.org/pipeline-discovery.php> and clinical development projects can be viewed at <http://www.newtbdrugs.org/pipeline.php>.

**Abbreviations of Developers:** A\*Star- Agency for Science Technology and Research CSU-Colorado State University; FAPESP-São Paulo Research Foundation; GATB-Global Alliance for TB Drug Development (TB Alliance); GSK-GlaxoSmithKline; Lilly DDI-Lilly TB Drug Discovery Initiative; RI-Research Institute; SPRINT TB-Singapore Programme of Research Investigating New Approaches to Treatment of TB; St. Jude-St. Jude Children's Research Hospital; TAMU-Texas A&M University; TBDA-TB Drug Accelerator; U-University; U ILL-University of Illinois; UPenn-University of Pennsylvania; U Tenn-University of Tennessee; UZ-University of Zurich



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# Clinical Pipeline

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Advancing   Marketed  NCE  Repurposed  Trials for Market Approval  Show Biologics

Pre-Clinical (GLP)

Phase 1

Phase 2

Phase 3

**Auranofin**  
The Aurum Institute NPC, Calibr,  
The Scripps Research Institute

TB Host Directed Therapy  
(TBHDT)

**Nitazoxanide**  
Weill Medical College of Cornell  
University

Nitazoxanide NZT001 14-day EBA

**Bedaquiline - Pretomanid -  
Linezolid**  
TB Alliance

Nix-TB (B-Pa-L)

ZeNix (B-Pa-L) NC-007

**Clofazimine**  
Novartis

**Pretomanid, Moxifloxacin,  
Pyrazidamide (PaMZ)**  
TB Alliance

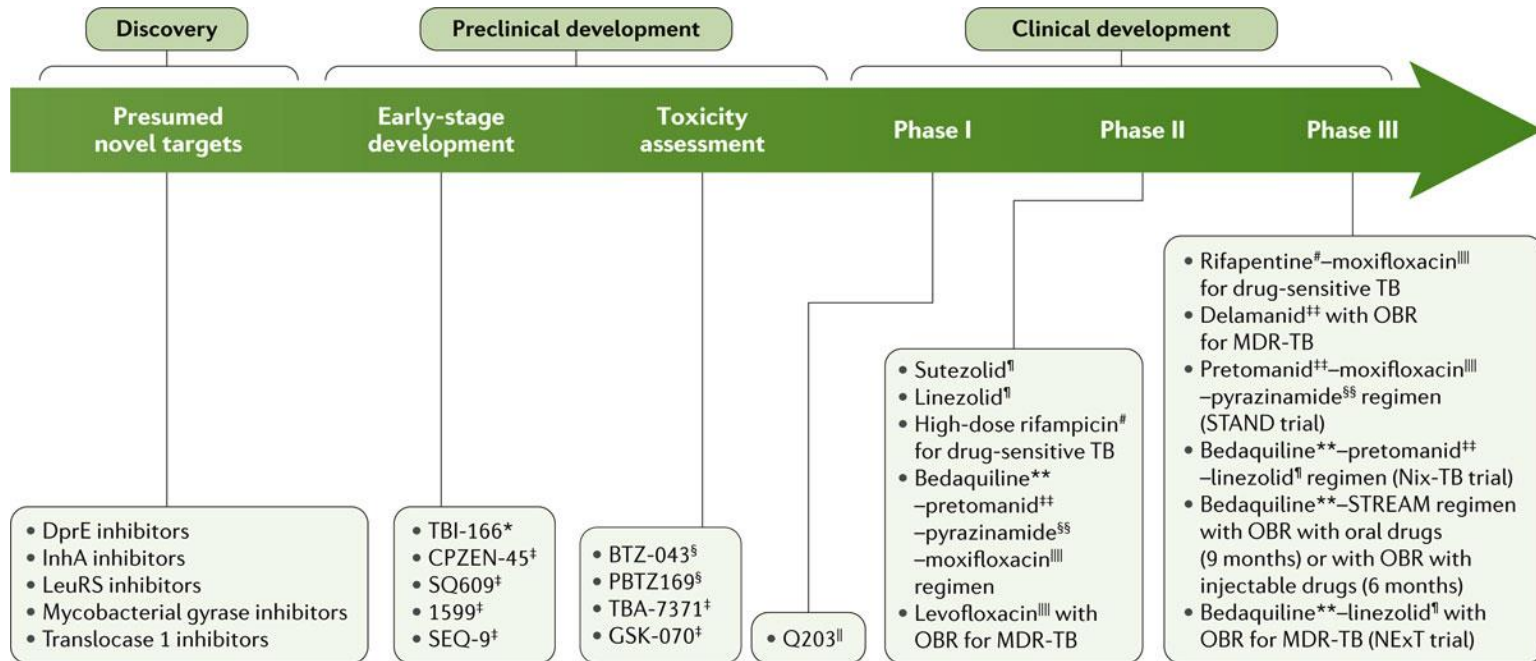
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**Table 1. Drugs in development for tuberculosis**

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**Figure 5** The global TB drug pipeline



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# Drug Resistance Mechanisms in *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*

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## Table 1

First- and second-line TB drugs, genes involved in their activation and mechanisms involved.

Drug	Gene	Mechanism Involved
Isoniazid	<i>katG, inhA</i>	Catalase/peroxidase; enoyl reductase
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Pyrazinamide	<i>pncA, rpsA</i>	Pyrazinamidase; ribosomal protein 1
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Streptomycin	<i>rpsL, rrs, gidB</i>	S12 ribosomal protein, 16A rRNA, 7-methylguanosine methyltransferase
Quinolones	<i>gyrA, gyrB</i>	DNA gyrase
Capreomycin	<i>rrs, tlyA</i>	16S rRNA, rRNA methyltransferase
Kanamycin/Amikacin	<i>rrs</i>	16S rRNA
Ethionamide	<i>ethA</i>	Enoyl-ACP reductase
Para-aminosalicylic acid	<i>thyA, folC</i>	Thymidylate synthase A



The recognized mechanism of resistance to ethambutol has been linked to mutations in the gene *embB* with mutations at position *embB306* as the most prevalent in most of the studies performed [47,48]. Some studies, however, have also found mutations in *embB306* in ethambutol susceptible isolates [49]. Moreover, a study with a large number of *M. tuberculosis* isolates found that mutations in *embB306* were not necessarily associated with resistance to ethambutol but with a predisposition to develop resistance to increasing number of drugs and to be transmitted [50]. In fact, allelic exchange studies have shown that individual mutations causing certain amino acid substitutions produced ethambutol resistance, while other amino acid substitutions had little or no effect on ethambutol resistance [51]. The same authors have more recently reported that mutations in the decaprenylphosphoryl-B-D-arabinose (DPA) biosynthetic and utilization pathway genes, Rv3806c and Rv3792, together with mutations in *embB* and *embC* accumulate, giving rise to a range of MICs of ethambutol depending on mutation type and number [52]. These findings could have influence on the correct detection of ethambutol resistance by current molecular methods. Mutations in *embB306* then, cause variable degrees of ethambutol resistance and are required but are not enough to cause high-level resistance to ethambutol. There remain about 30% ethambutol resistant strains that do not present any mutation in *embB* stressing the need to identify other possible mechanisms of drug resistance to this drug.

Consequently, mutations in *rpsL* and *rrs* are the major mechanisms of resistance to streptomycin but account for 60%–70% of the resistance found [69]. Among the mutations reported in *rpsL*, a substitution in codon 43 from lysine to arginine has been the most commonly reported. This mutation produces high-level resistance to streptomycin. In *rrs* the most common mutations occur around nucleotides 530 and 915. There remain an important percentage of strains resistant to streptomycin that lack mutations in either of these two genes, suggesting additional mechanisms of resistance.

In the last years, it has also been reported that mutations in *gidB*, a gene encoding a conserved 7-methylguanosine methyltransferase specific for the 16S rRNA, confers low-level resistance to streptomycin [70,71].

is a tetramer formed by two  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  subunits, coded by *gyrA* and *gyrB*, respectively, which catalyzes the supercoiling of DNA [77]. The main mechanism of development of fluoroquinolone resistance in *M. tuberculosis* is by chromosomal mutations in the quinolone resistance-determining region of *gyrA* or *gyrB*. The most frequent mutations found are at position 90 and 94 of *gyrA* but mutations at position 74, 88 and 91 have also been reported [78,79]. A recent systematic review of fluoroquinolone-resistance-associated gyrase mutations in *M. tuberculosis* has been published [80].

One interesting finding in *M. tuberculosis* is the presence of a natural polymorphism at position 95 in *gyrA* that is not related to fluoroquinolone resistance since it is also found in fluoroquinolone-susceptible strains [81]. Another interesting finding has been the report that the simultaneous occurrence of mutations T80A and A90G in *gyrA* led to hypersusceptibility to several quinolones [82]. This finding could point out that the problem of fluoroquinolone resistance in *M. tuberculosis* might be more complex than was thought initially.

Cross-resistance is assumed to occur between fluoroquinolones although isolated reports have acknowledged the presence of strains resistant to gatifloxacin and moxifloxacin that were still susceptible to ofloxacin [83]. Also, the involvement of efflux mechanisms has been suggested as a possible cause for fluoroquinolone resistance in *M. tuberculosis* [84].

These four antibiotics have the same mechanism of action by inhibiting the protein synthesis but, while kanamycin and amikacin are aminoglycosides, capreomycin and viomycin are cyclic peptide antibiotics. All four are second-line drugs used in the management of MDR-TB.

Kanamycin and amikacin inhibit protein synthesis by alteration at the level of 16S rRNA. The most common mutations found in kanamycin-resistant strains are at position 1400 and 1401 of the *rrs* gene, conferring high-level resistance to kanamycin and amikacin. However, mutations at position 1483 have also been reported [85,86]. Full cross-resistance between kanamycin and amikacin is not complete, as previously thought. Some studies have shown variable levels and patterns of resistance suggesting that other mechanisms of resistance might be possible [87]. In concordance with this, a low-level resistance to kanamycin has been associated with mutations in the promoter region of the *eis* gene, encoding an aminoglycoside acetyltransferase [88]. Mutations at position -10 and -35 of the *eis* promoter led to an overexpression of the protein and low-level resistance to kanamycin but not to amikacin. These mutations were found in up to 80% of clinical isolates showing low-level resistance to kanamycin [88,89].

Capreomycin and viomycin, on the other hand, have a similar structure and bind at the same site in the ribosome, at the interface of the small and large subunits [90]. They show full cross-resistance as reported in previous studies [91]. Mutations in the *tlyA* gene have also been associated with resistance to capreomycin and viomycin. TlyA is an rRNA methyltransferase specific for 2'-O-methylation of ribose in rRNA. Mutations in *tlyA* determine the absence of methylation activity [92]. Although some studies did not find this association, a recent meta-analysis, evaluating the association of genetic mutations and resistance to second-line drugs, has confirmed the presence of *tlyA* mutations in addition to mutations in *rrs* and *eis* [93].



### 3.8. Clofazimine

Clofazimine is a riminophenazine compound reported long ago as having anti-TB activity [107]. Due to the availability of other effective anti-TB drugs at the time and some undesirable side-effects, such as pigmentation of the skin, its use was more limited to the treatment of leprosy [108]. It is now considered in the group 5 drugs of the WHO for the management of MDR-TB. Until recently, the exact mode of action of this antibiotic was not completely understood. Recent studies, however, have signalled the outer membrane as the possible target of clofazimine [109]. Another study found that in *M. tuberculosis* clofazimine is reduced by NADH dehydrogenase and subsequently after spontaneous reoxidation liberates bactericidal levels of reactive oxygen species (ROS) [110].

Resistance to clofazimine has not yet been fully characterized; however, a recent study has found that in spontaneous mutants of the reference strain H37Rv, mutations in the transcriptional regulator Rv0678 caused an upregulation of MmpL5, a multisubstrate efflux pump, which not only caused resistance to clofazimine but also to bedaquiline [111].

### 3.9. Linezolid

Also part of the category 5 drugs of second-line anti-TB drugs, linezolid is an oxazolidinone originally approved for clinical use in the treatment of skin infections and nosocomial pneumonia caused by Gram-positive bacteria [112]. The mode of action of linezolid is by inhibition of an early step in the synthesis of proteins, binding to the 50S ribosomal subunit [101]. Resistance to linezolid in *M. tuberculosis* is still unusual, but a study analyzing 210 MDR strains found 1.9% of strains being resistant to linezolid [113]. Further analysis of *in vitro* selected linezolid-resistant mutants found that strains with mutations in the 23S rRNA had MICs of 16–32 µg/mL, while strains with MICs of 4–8 µg/mL or susceptible strains showed no mutations [114]. A more recent study using next-generation sequencing has also found the mutation T460C in *rplC*, encoding the 50S ribosomal L3 protein, in *in vitro*-selected mutants and clinical isolates of *M. tuberculosis* resistant to linezolid [115]. Previous studies have also found evidence of the possible involvement of efflux pumps in the resistance of *M. tuberculosis* to linezolid [84].

Table 1 gives an overview of the first- and second-line anti-tuberculosis drugs current target of action.

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Kanamycin/Amikacin	<i>rrs</i>	16S rRNA	
Ethionamide	<i>ethA</i>	Enoyl-ACP reductase	
Para-aminosalicylic acid	<i>thyA, folC</i>	Thymidylate synthase A	



## 4.2. Delamanid

Delamanid, previously known as OPC-67683, is a derivative of nitro-dihydro-imidazooxazole with activity against *M. tuberculosis* that acts by inhibiting the synthesis of mycolic acid and is undergoing clinical evaluation in a phase III trial [74]. The structure of delamanid is shown in Figure 2. Delamanid was previously shown to have a very good *in vitro* and *in vivo* activity against drug-susceptible and drug-resistant *M. tuberculosis* [128], as well as good early bactericidal activity comparable to that of rifampicin [129]. Delamanid has more recently shown its safety and efficacy in a clinical evaluation for MDR-TB [130].

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**Evolution of drug resistance in *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*: a review  
on the molecular determinants of resistance and implications for  
personalized care**

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Approximately 30% of ethambutol-resistant isolates lack alteration in *embB*, suggesting a different mechanism of resistance.<sup>23,24</sup> Additive mutations occurring in *ubiA* have been reported to cause high-level ethambutol resistance when they occur with *embB* mutations. The *ubiA* gene encodes decaprenyl-phosphate 5-phosphoribosyltransferase synthase, which is involved in cell wall synthesis. Alteration in *ubiA* is reported to be lineage specific, and is predominant in the African isolates.<sup>87,88</sup>

## **Fluoroquinolones**

Fluoroquinolones are potent bactericidal antibiotics currently used as second-line treatment for DR-TB. Ciprofloxacin and ofloxacin represent an older generation of antibiotics that are derivatives of nalidixic acid.<sup>77</sup> New generation fluoroquinolones, such as moxifloxacin and gatifloxacin, are currently being considered for use in regimens for DR-TB.<sup>3</sup> This class of antibiotics targets the DNA gyrase enzyme, thereby preventing transcription during cell replication. DNA gyrases are encoded by the *gyrA* and *gyrB* genes. Resistance to the fluoroquinolones has been linked to mutations occurring in a conserved region known as the quinolone resistance-determining region in the *gyrA* and *gyrB* genes.<sup>24,104-106</sup> Fluoroquinolone-resistant strains of MTB most frequently display mutations in codons 90, 91 and 94 of the *gyrA* gene. Mutations in codons 74, 88 and 91 have also been associated with fluoroquinolone resistance.<sup>107-109</sup> It has been reported that clinically significant resistance to ciprofloxacin and ofloxacin (MIC of 2 mg/L) is conferred by a single gyrase mutation, whereas double mutations in the *gyrA* or concomitant *gyrA* and *gyrB* mutations result in high MICs.<sup>109</sup> A mutation detected in codon 95 of *gyrA* is a natural polymorphism that has no role in mediating fluoroquinolone resistance.<sup>110</sup> The complexity of fluoroquinolone

## **Bedaquiline**

Bedaquiline is the first drug in a new class of agents, the diarylquinolines, to be used for TB treatment. Bedaquiline acts by targeting mycobacterial ATP synthase, inhibiting bacterial respiration. The drug is therefore active against dormant bacilli, an invaluable characteristic for MTB infection. *In vitro* studies show MIC values of 0.03 mg/L, approximately equivalent to those of rifampicin and isoniazid in DS-MTB.<sup>123,124</sup> Bedaquiline in combination with pyrazinamide has demonstrated remarkable sterilizing activity in a mouse model.<sup>123</sup> Target-based mutations in the *atpE* gene described in strains selected *in vitro* have been associated with high-level resistance to bedaquiline, with up to 4-fold increase in MIC.<sup>125,126</sup> The gene encodes the mycobacterial F<sub>1</sub>F<sub>0</sub> proton ATP synthase, a key enzyme in ATP synthesis and membrane potential generation.<sup>123,124</sup> Zimenkov *et al.*<sup>127</sup> recently described the first



occurrence of *atpE* D28N and A63V mutations in two clinical isolates of MTB associated with an MIC of 0.12 and 1.00 mg/L, respectively. Prior to this report, the mutations observed in the *atpE* gene were described for lab-generated strains. Non-target-based mutations, such as the presence of mutations in *rv0678*, result in the upregulation of the MmpL5 efflux pump, resulting in low-level bedaquiline resistance and cross-resistance to clofazimine.<sup>126,128</sup>

These mutations have been associated with at least a 4-fold increase in MIC.<sup>126</sup> Veziris *et al.*<sup>129</sup> reported the M139T *rv0678* mutation that resulted in a 16-fold increase in MIC after treatment including bedaquiline. The same study reported a double nucleotide deletion at positions 18–19 and an insertion at position 140 of *rv0678*, corresponding to MICs of 0.5 and 0.25 mg/L, respectively. Zimenkov *et al.* reported the most common mechanism associated with increased bedaquiline MICs was the presence of mutations in *rv0678*. Paired isolates representing bedaquiline pre- and post-treatment for 17 patients, revealed elevated bedaquiline MICs prior to treatment. Four of these patients had mutations in the *rv0678* gene associated with an MIC range of 0.06–0.25 mg/L.<sup>127</sup>

This is in keeping with a report of the high frequency of *rv0678* mutations detected in MDR-TB and DS patients with no prior exposure to bedaquiline or clofazimine.<sup>130</sup> Mutations in the second non-target mechanism, *pepQ*, were reported with the association of low-level bedaquiline resistance and cross-resistance to clofazimine. Similar to *rv0678*, mutations in *pepQ* result in modest increases of bedaquiline and clofazimine MICs.<sup>131</sup> However, none of the studies reported above documented *pepQ* mutations in clinical isolates with confirmed resistance to bedaquiline or clofazimine.<sup>127,129,132</sup>

### **Delamanid and pretomanid**

Delamanid and pretomanid belong to the nitroimidazole class of antibiotics. Pretomanid, formerly PA-824 is a prodrug that requires activation by deazaflavin-dependent nitro-reductase, which is encoded by *ddn*. *ddn* converts the prodrug into three metabolites, which include des-nitro-imidazole and two unstable by-products. Des-nitro-imidazole compounds promote the anaerobic activity of these compounds by generating reactive nitrogen species, including nitric oxide, which may then boost the host-macrophage killing of MTB.<sup>133,134</sup> Pretomanid has been reported to be highly active against MTB with an MIC range of 0.015–0.25 mg/L.<sup>135</sup> Resistance to pretomanid has been linked to mutations occurring in the genes associated with prodrug activation (*ddn* and *fgd1*), or in genes associated with the F420 biosynthetic pathway (*fbiA*, *fbiB* and *fbiC*).<sup>133</sup> However, analysis of 65 strains of the MTB complex, representing the various lineages, revealed no significant impact on pretomanid MICs.<sup>136</sup> Delamanid, formerly OPC-67683, inhibits the synthesis of methoxy-mycolic and keto-mycolic acid, components of the mycobacterial cell wall.<sup>137</sup> Delamanid displayed potent *in vitro* activity against lab strains and clinical isolates of MTB, with a reported MIC range of 0.006–0.24 mg/L.<sup>138</sup> Bloemberg *et al.*<sup>132</sup> recently reported D49Y in the *fbiA* gene and a frameshift mutation in codon 49 of the *fdg1* gene that corresponded with increasing phenotypic delamanid resistance. Similar to pretomanid, it is a prodrug that requires activation via the same pathway, and thus, resistance to delamanid is associated with mutations in one of the five genes described above.<sup>133</sup> The exclusive role of the drug in TB treatment regimens makes it a desirable agent for treatment

## **Compensatory evolution**

It has been postulated that resistance mutations bear a fitness cost to the bacterium. This concept emanates from the observation that isoniazid-resistant isolates displayed decreased virulence in the guinea pig model.<sup>144</sup> However, studies have since demonstrated the presence of co-occurrence of secondary mutations that act as compensatory mechanisms for the impaired fitness of the pathogen. These compensatory mutations are believed to occur in genes encoding the same protein or genes involved in similar metabolic pathways.<sup>64</sup> Sherman and Mdluli demonstrated this phenomenon in isoniazid-resistant isolates of MTB with an inactivated *katG* gene.<sup>145</sup> The absence of *katG* catalase–peroxidase activity resulted in mutations in the regulatory region of the *ahpC* (alkyl hydroperoxidase reductase) gene, leading to overexpression of this gene. Mutations of the *ahpC* gene are believed to be compensatory for the loss of *katG* activity.<sup>145</sup> More recently, whole-genome analysis demonstrated that mutations occurring in RNA polymerases *rpoA* and *rpoC* were compensatory for the loss of fitness mediated by mutations in the *rpoB* gene in rifampicin-resistant isolates.<sup>146–148</sup> Reports on the varying levels of capreomycin resistance amongst A1401G laboratory mutants and clinical isolates bearing the same mutation, imply a possible interplay of a compensatory mechanism.<sup>99,149</sup> Similarly, mutations in *gyrB* may account for resistance-conferring mutations found in the *gyrA* gene.<sup>132,150</sup>



## ***Efflux-mediated resistance***

Efflux pump systems are involved in expelling drugs from the bacterial cell, enabling acquisition of resistance mutations in the bacterial genome. MTB presents with one of the largest number of putative efflux pumps with 148 genes coding for membrane transport proteins within its 4.4 Mb genome. The contribution of these efflux systems in acquiring multidrug resistance in MTB has been demonstrated by a number of studies.<sup>151,152</sup> The overexpression of efflux pumps is believed to mediate the build-up of resistance mutations, which confers high-level drug resistance allowing MTB to survive and persist at clinically relevant drug concentrations. The ability of the efflux pumps to extrude a diversity of compounds allows them to expel multiple drugs leading to the MDR phenotype.<sup>151,152</sup> Efflux pump inhibitors are compounds capable of restoring the activity of antibiotics independent of the level of resistance. The inhibitor–antibiotic combination decreases the concentration of antibiotics expelled by efflux pumps, thus decreasing the MIC of the antibiotic. The use of efflux pump inhibitors has been considered as an adjuvant in TB treatment and has the potential to reduce the duration of TB treatment.<sup>64,126,152–154</sup>



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# Types of tuberculosis clinical trials

Type	Endpoint	Size	Duration of study	What is being studied?
Phase I	Safety/tolerability	small	days-weeks	drug
PK/PD	PK/PD data; drug interactions	small	days-weeks	drug(s)
Phase IIa	EBA	small	days-weeks	drug
Phase IIb	2-month culture conversion; time to conversion	Medium (100-150 patients/arm)	months	regimen
Phase III	Failure/relapse	large	years	regimen
Phase IV	Detection of uncommon side effects	large	years	regimen

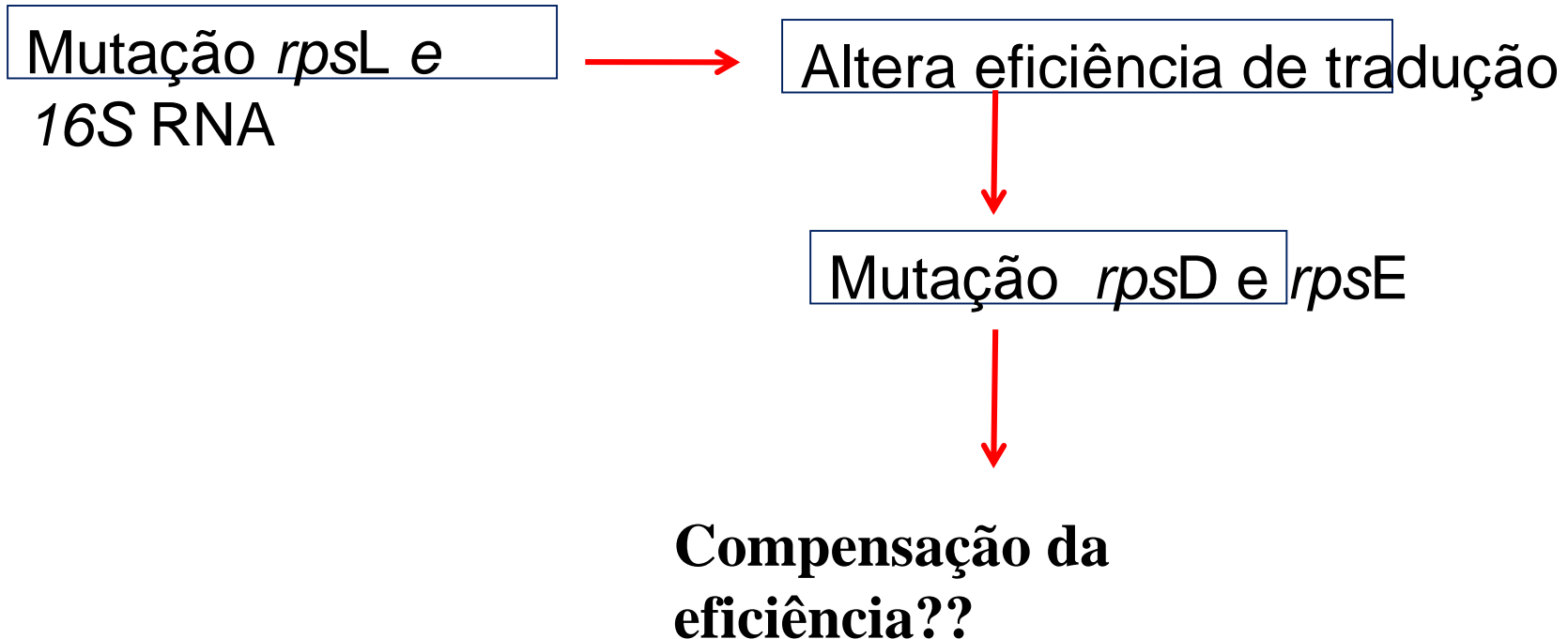


Fig. 4. Drugs that hold clinical promise that are in development and testing Pipeline info from [www.newtbdrugs.org](http://www.newtbdrugs.org) \*conditionally approved agents.

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## **The potential use of rifabutin for treatment of patients diagnosed with rifampicin-resistant tuberculosis**

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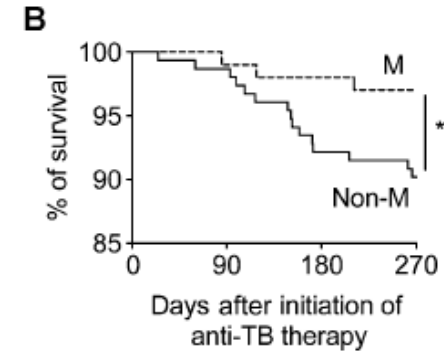
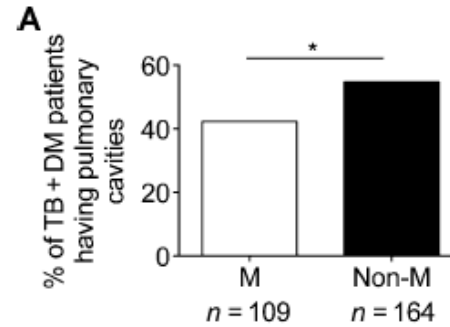
**Table 1.** *rpoB* polymorphisms and range of rifampicin and rifabutin MICs in 72 isolates selected from clinical isolates from the EXIT-RIF cohort of 349 patients to represent the unique combinations of *rpoB* polymorphisms and rifampicin MICs observed in this cohort

Codon	Nucleotide change	Amino acid change	MIC range (mg/L)		No. of isolates
			rifampicin	rifabutin	
509	deletion 6 bp	frameshift	>1 to ≤5	<0.125	1
511	CTG→CCG	Leu→Pro	<1	<0.125	2
513	CAA→AAA	Gln→Lys	>100	>2	2
513	CAA→CCA	Gln→Pro	>100	0.5–1.0	2
513	CAA→CTA	Gln→Leu	>100	>2.0	2
515	deletion 6 bp	frameshift	>100	>2.0	2
516	GAC→GCC	Asp→Ala	<1.0	<0.125	2
516	GAC→GTC	Asp→Val	>1 to <50	<0.125–0.5	12
516	GAC→TAC	Asp→Tyr	<1 to >10	<0.125–0.25	3
516	GAC→TTC	Asp→Phe	>1 to <5	<0.125	1
516	GAC→TGC	Asp→Cys	<1.0	<0.125	1
516	deletion 3 bp	frameshift	>1 to <20	0.25–0.5	3
517	deletion 3 bp	frameshift	>1 to <10	<0.125	2
518	deletion 3 bp	frameshift	<1.0	<0.125	1
522	TCG→TTG	Ser→Leu	>1 to <5	<0.125	1
526	CAC→AAC	His→Asn	<1.0	<0.125	2
526	CAC→CGC	His→Arg	>100	>2.0	2
526	CAC→CTC	His→Leu	>1 to >100	<0.125 to >2.0	2
526	CAC→GAC	His→Asp	>100	>2.0	4
526	CAC→TAC	His→Tyr	>100	>2.0	2
526	CAC→TGC	His→Cys	>1 to <5	<0.125	1
531	TCG→TTG	Ser→Leu	>5 to >100	>0.025 to >2.0	10
531	TCG→TTT	Ser→Phe	>100	>2.0	2
533	CTG→CCG	Leu→Pro	<1 to <10	<0.125–1.0	4
511 + 516	CTG→CCG + GAC→TAC	Leu→Pro + Asp→Tyr	>5 to 100	0.5 to >2.0	3
511 + 526	CTG→CCG + CAC→TAC	Leu→Pro + His→Tyr	>1 to <5	<0.125	1
512 + 516	AGC→AGG + GAC→GGC	Ser→Arg + Asp→Gly	>1 to <5	<0.125	1
513 + 516	CAA→GAA + GAC→GTC	Gln→Glu + Asp→Val	>100	>2.0	1



## Metformin:

Enhances killing of *M. tuberculosis* in the laboratory



\*HgbA1c to rule-in or rule-out diabetes and refer to care: *don't rely on self-report*

\*Early therapeutic drug monitoring for diabetics

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# Epigenetics, epistasis and epidemics

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We are already installed in the post-genetic or meta-genetic search for biological causalities. **Until recently causation in biology was almost universally attributed to the main genetic factor, the gene, with a close correspondence with the encoded character, the phenotype.** The term 'epigenetics' refers to studies 'above the gene' and refers to heritable (reproducible) changes in gene function that cannot be explained by mutations in DNA sequence. The term 'epistasis' etymologically means the 'act of stopping' (any 'on-off' action) and refers to the phenomenon in which one or more genes influences the function of others. The term 'epidemics' (in our case, bacterial epidemics) means 'what is upon the

single cell, not a single gene, not a single individual creates the public health problem. As these multiple interactions are to a certain extent of stochastic nature, the complexity of the causal analysis increases significantly, leading to what might be qualified as 'causal relativity' or, in general 'biological relativity' [2].

**Epigenetics might influence the evolution of antibiotic resistance. Stochastic variation in the expression of sets of genes is expected to occur even in isogenic populations, due to factors that include DNA methylation, covalent modification of DNA-binding proteins, non-coding DNA or RNA splicing factors.** The hypothesis is that these factors, by