

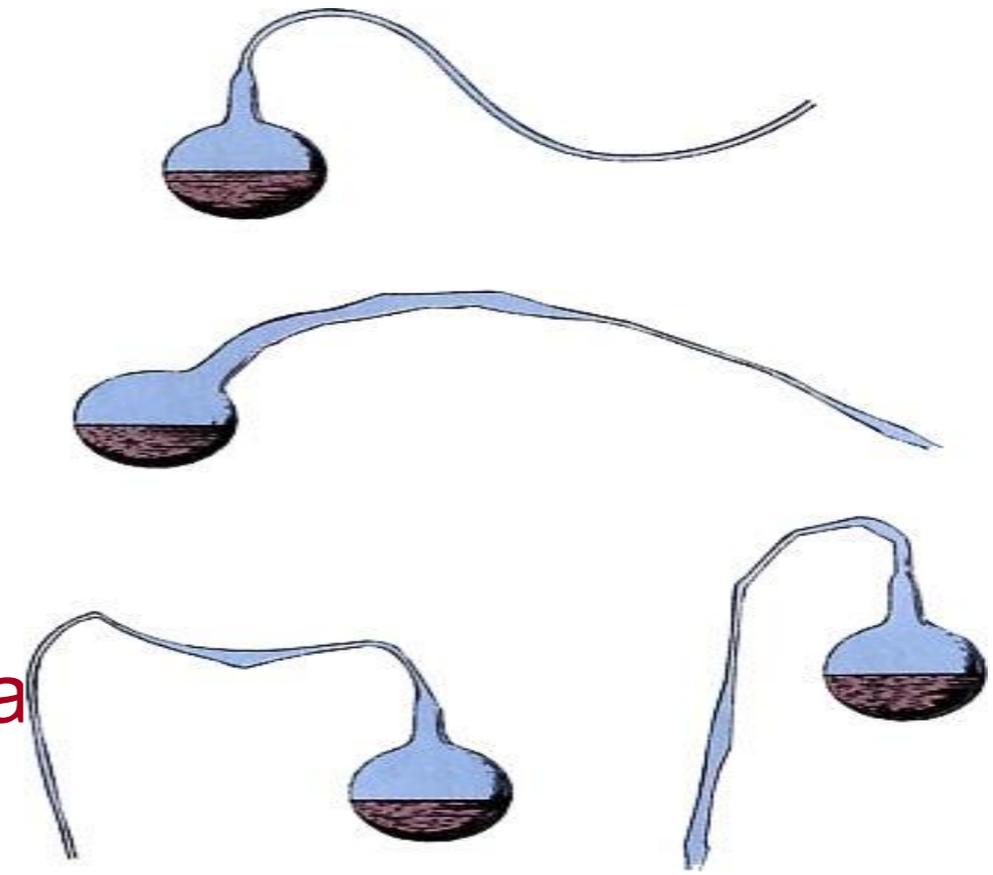
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**Bacteria, Antibiotics, and
Antibiotic Therapy**

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History of Microbiology

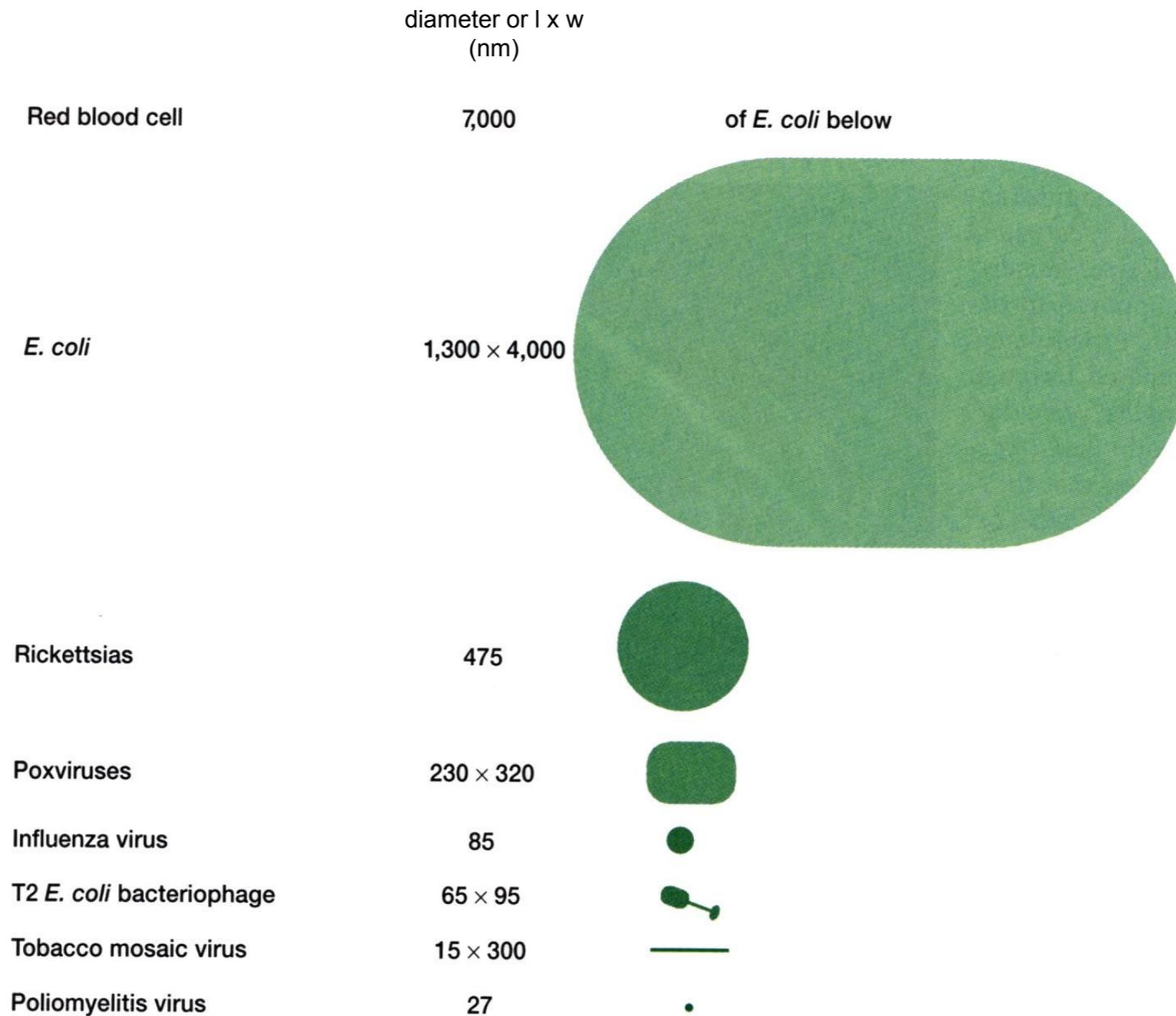
- Spontaneous Generation
 - Aristotle 384-322 B.C.
 - Example of maggots arising from spoiled meat
 - Francisco Redi 1626-1697
- Air carried spores that led to microbial growth
 - Louis Pasteur 1822-1895
 - Pasteurization
 - Vaccines for anthrax and rabies



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Microbes: In Perspective

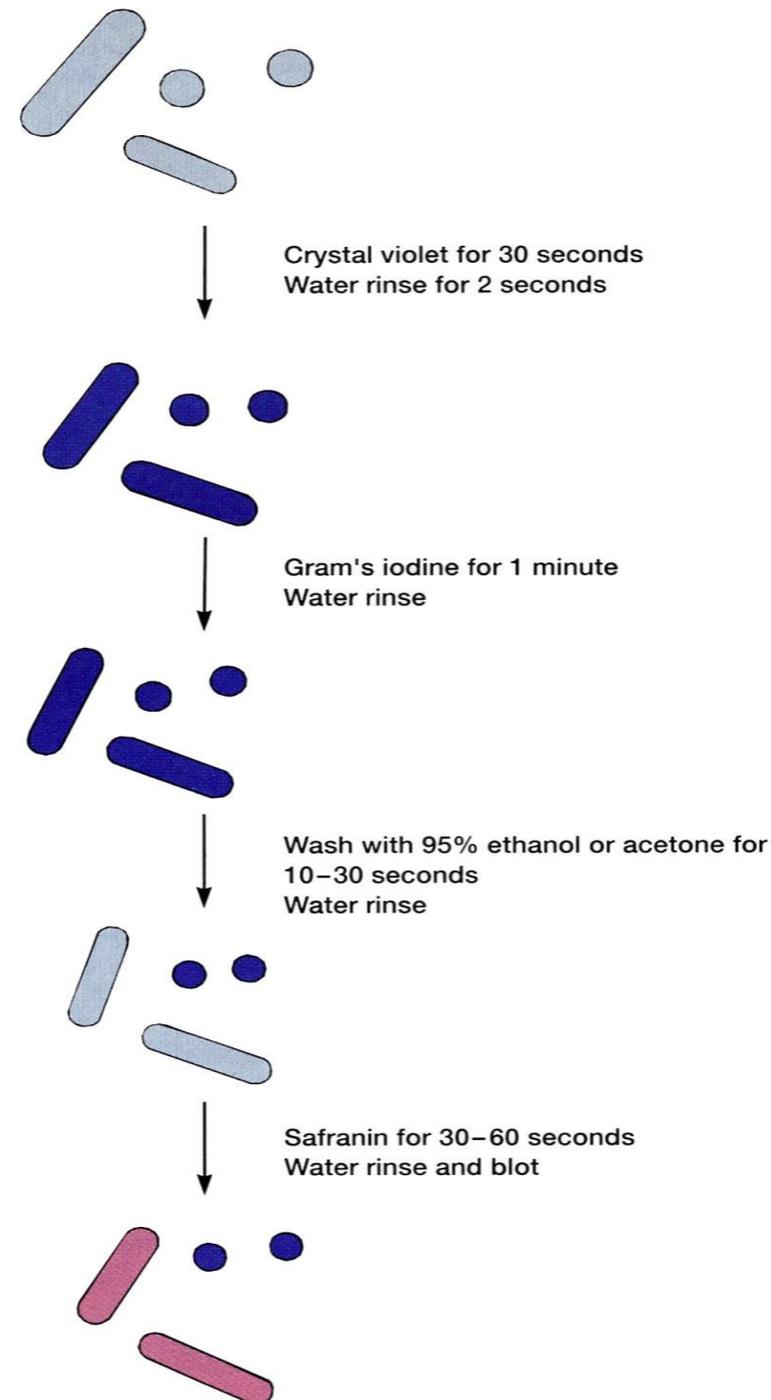


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Bacteria

- Single cell organisms
- Gram-positive and gram-negative
- Ubiquitous in the environment
- Microbiome
- Very rapid growth rates
- Exotoxins and endotoxins

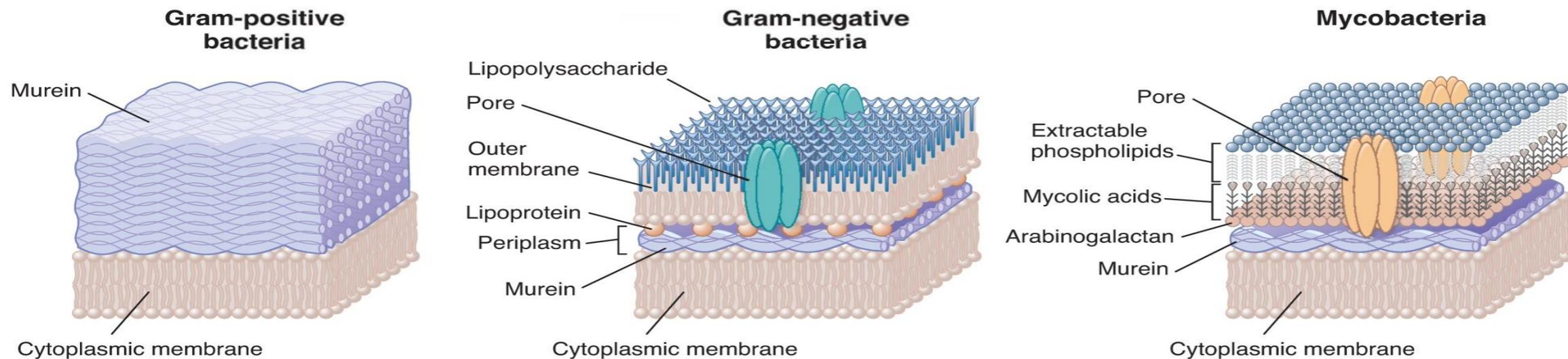
Gram-Staining



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Cell Wall

- Provides shape
- Protects against osmotic lysis
- Physical barrier
- Peptidoglycan (Murein)
- NAM-NAG-amino polymer



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Cell Wall

Gram-positive vs. gram negative

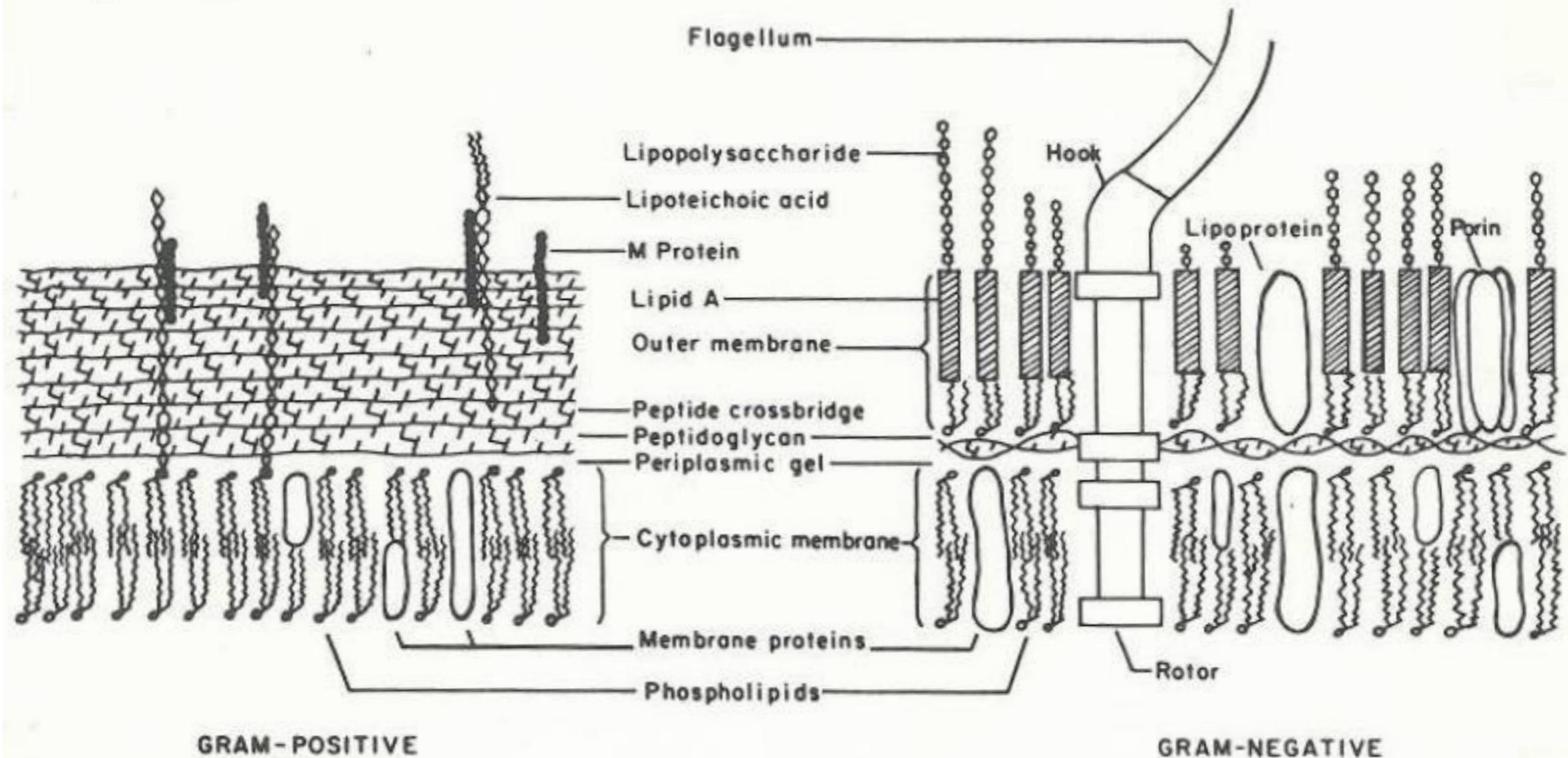


Fig. 1-2. Composition of the cell surfaces of gram-positive and gram-negative bacteria.

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Cell Wall

Gram-positive vs. gram negative

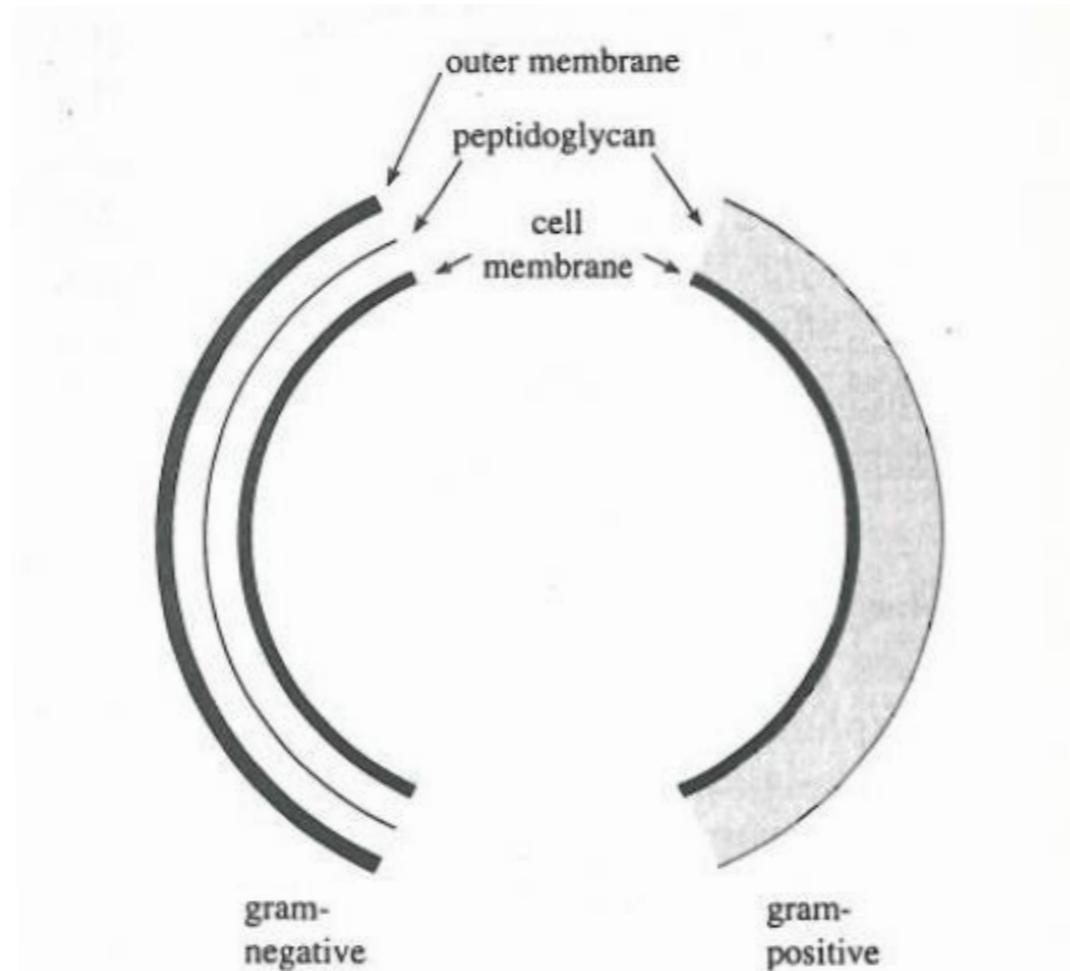


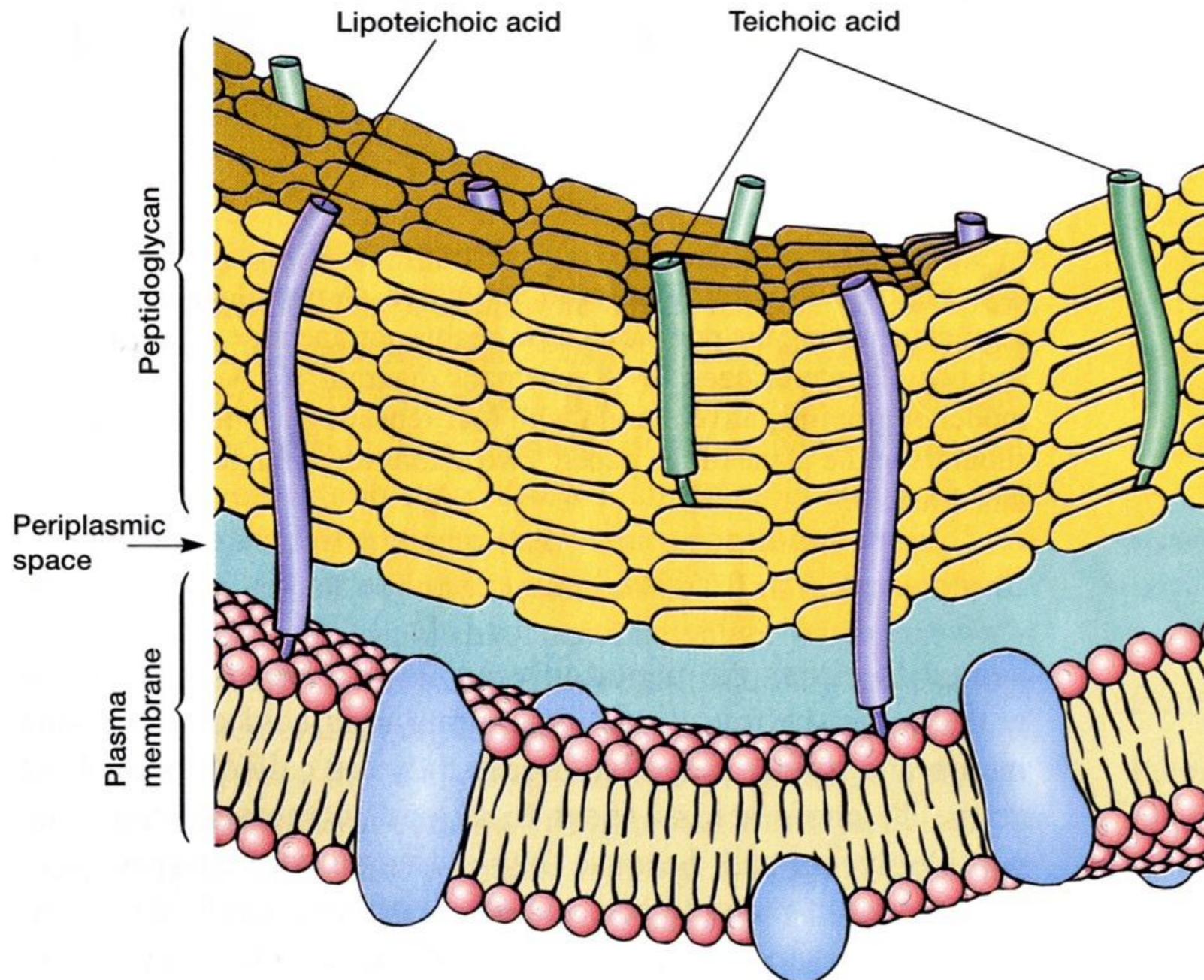
Fig. 1.7 Schematic illustration of a gram-negative and a gram-positive bacterial cell wall. Note the presence of an outer membrane (also called outer envelope) in the gram-negative wall and the much thicker peptidoglycan layer in the gram-positive wall.

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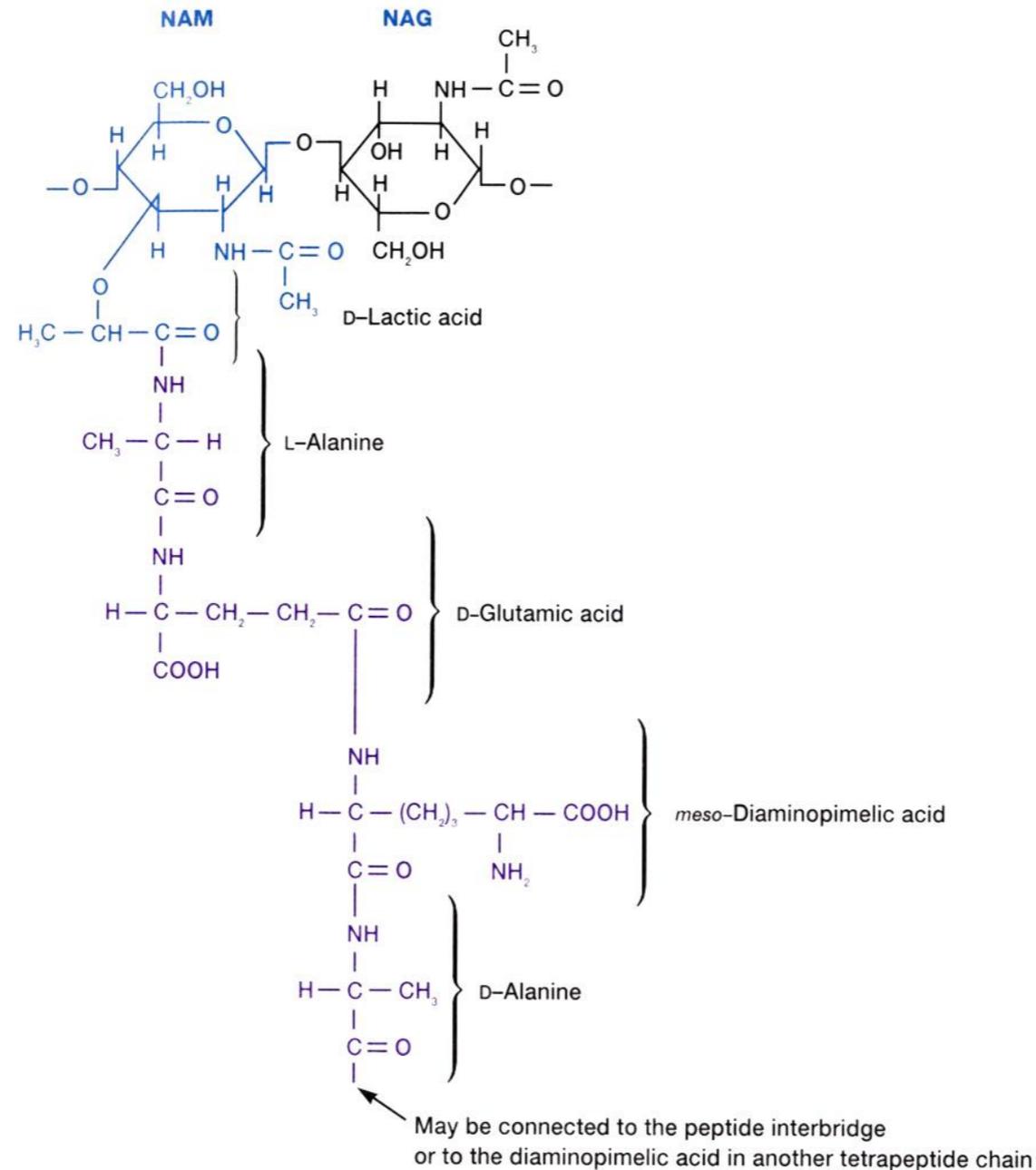
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Gram Positive



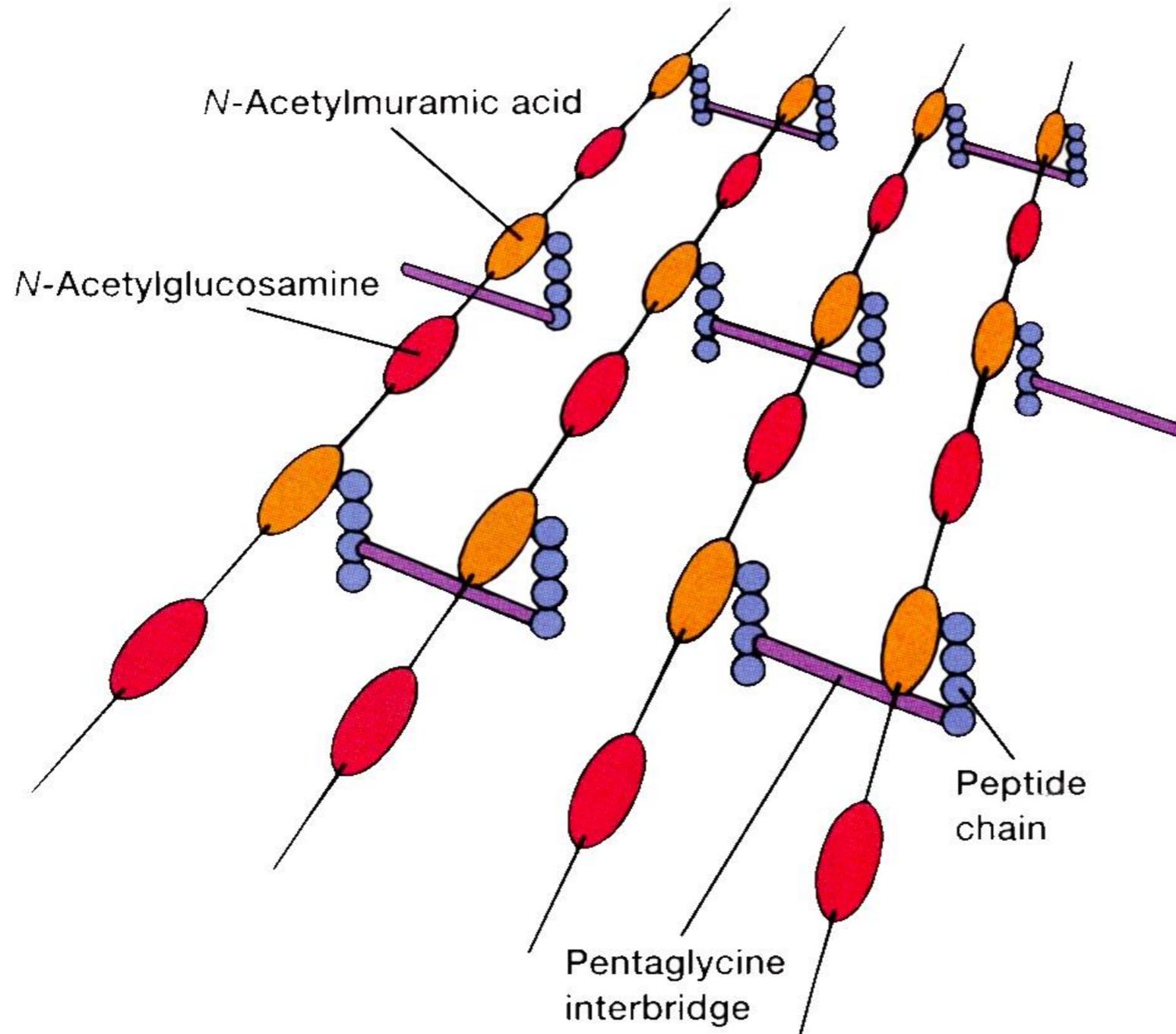
- Gram positive bacteria
- Thick peptidoglycan
- Teichoic acids
 - Contain phosphates
 - Impart negative charge

NAM-NAG-Peptide



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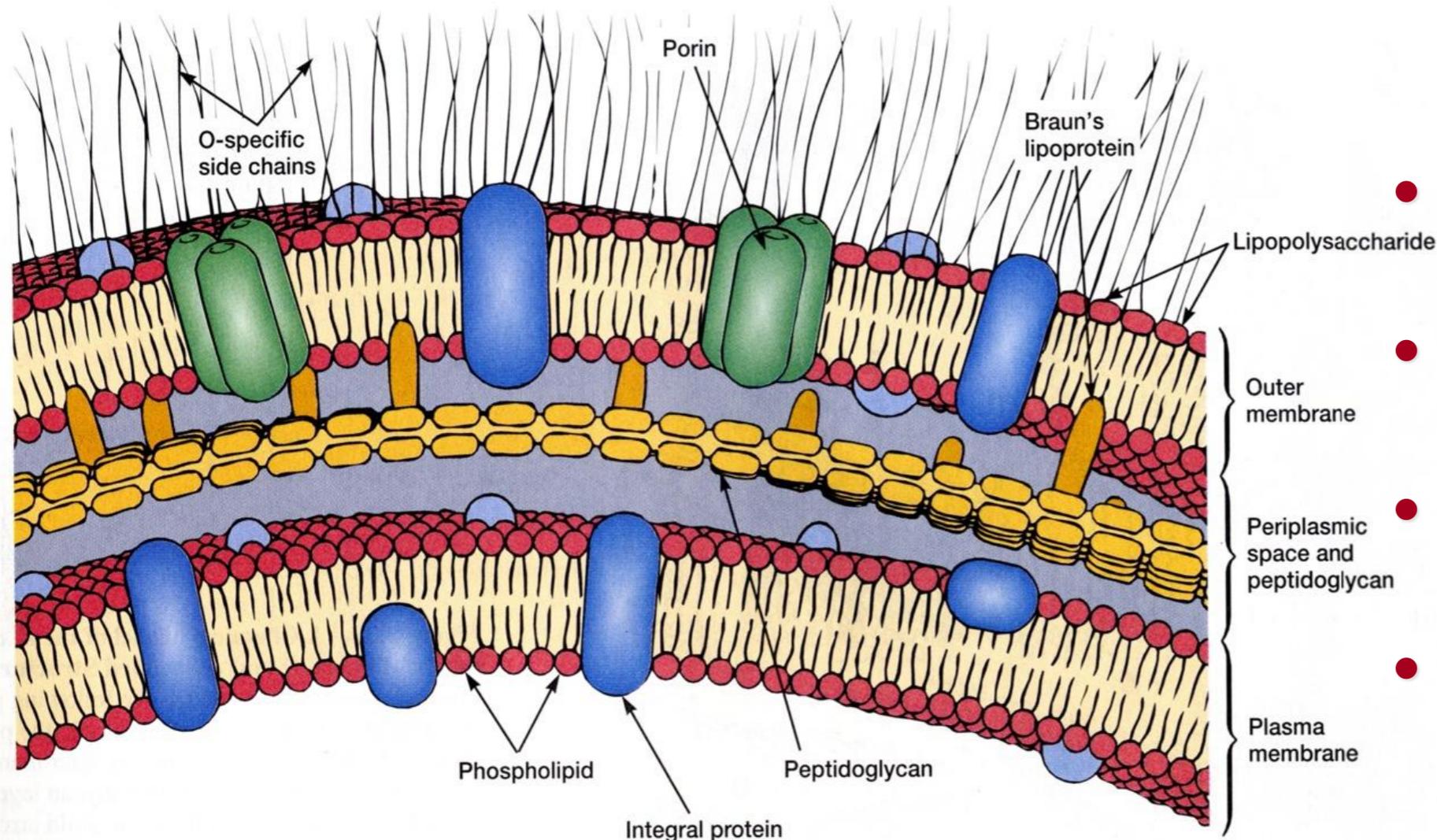
Peptidoglycan



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Gram Negative

- **Lipopolysaccharide**
- Highly diverse and changing polysaccharides
 - Avoids host detection
- Limits host interaction with outer membrane
- Prevents entry of bile salts, antibiotics, and toxicants
- Prevents loss of nutrients from periplasmic space
- **Transporters and porins**
 - Selectively export and uptake small molecules



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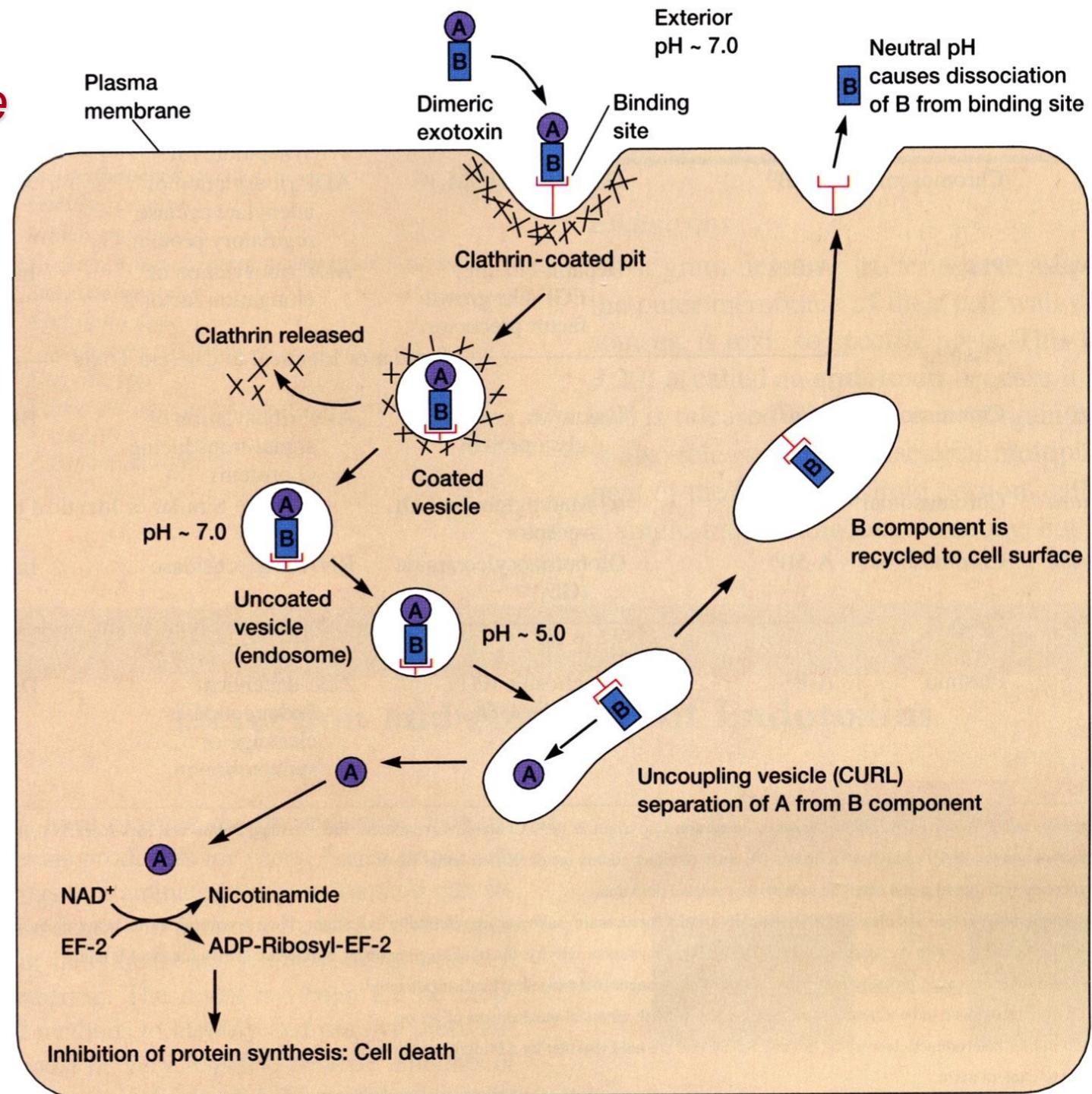
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Exotoxins and Endotoxins

- Exotoxins
 - Heat-labile, proteins released into surroundings
 - Can migrate to different cells or tissues
 - Diphtheria toxin, anthrax toxin, cholera toxin
- Endotoxins
 - Heat-stable lipopolysaccharide
 - Outer membrane of gram-negative bacteria
 - Released during lysis or cell division/growth
 - Leads to blood clotting, hemorrhaging and organ failure

Exotoxin: Diphtheria Toxin

- *Corynebacterium diphtheriae*
- Gram-positive, facultative anaerobe
- Diphtheria toxin:
- 62 kDa Protein
- B: Cell surface receptor binding
- A: Enzymatic region
- Catalyzes addition of ADP-Ribose to EF2
- Inhibits translation



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Antibiotic resistance is and will be a problem

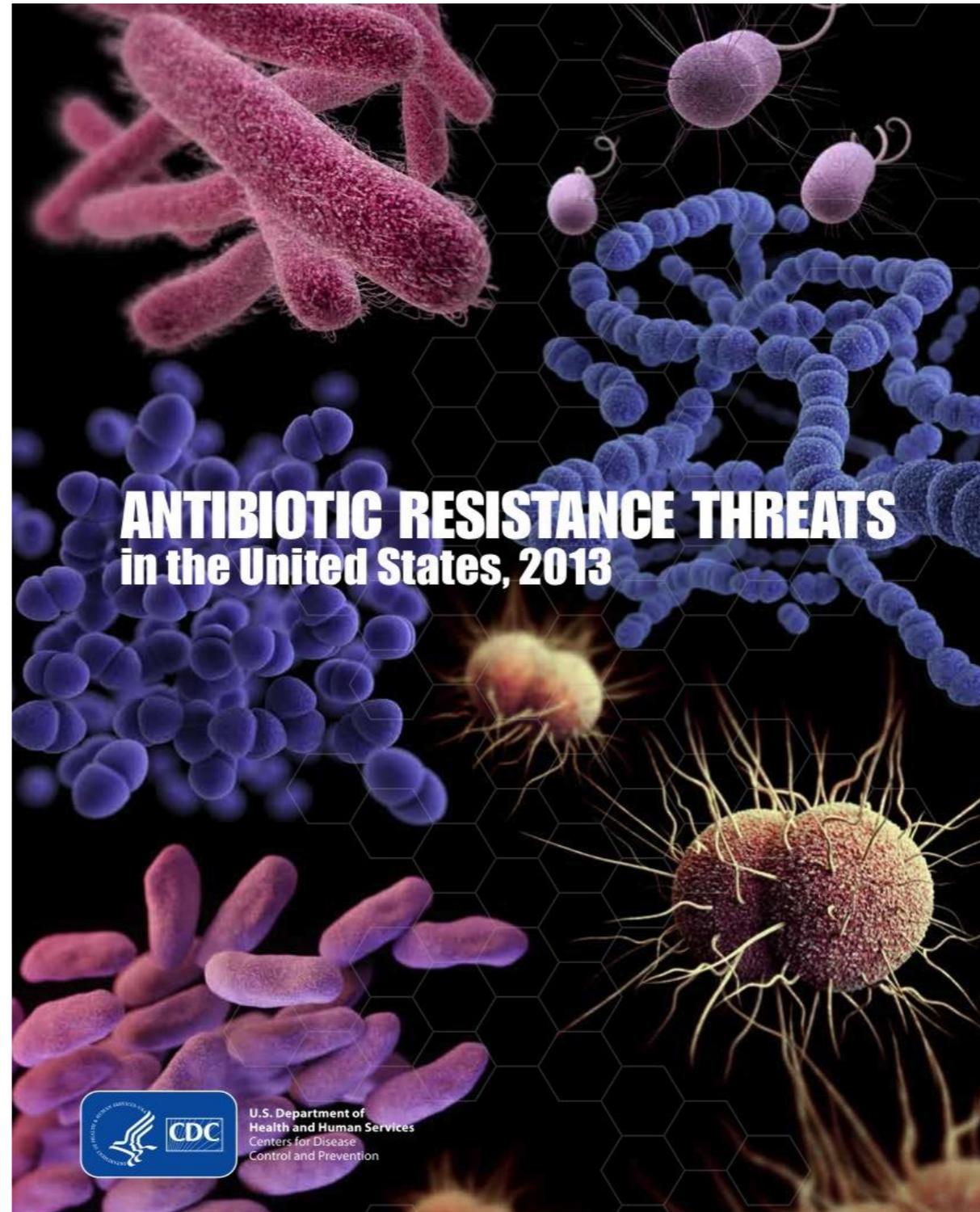
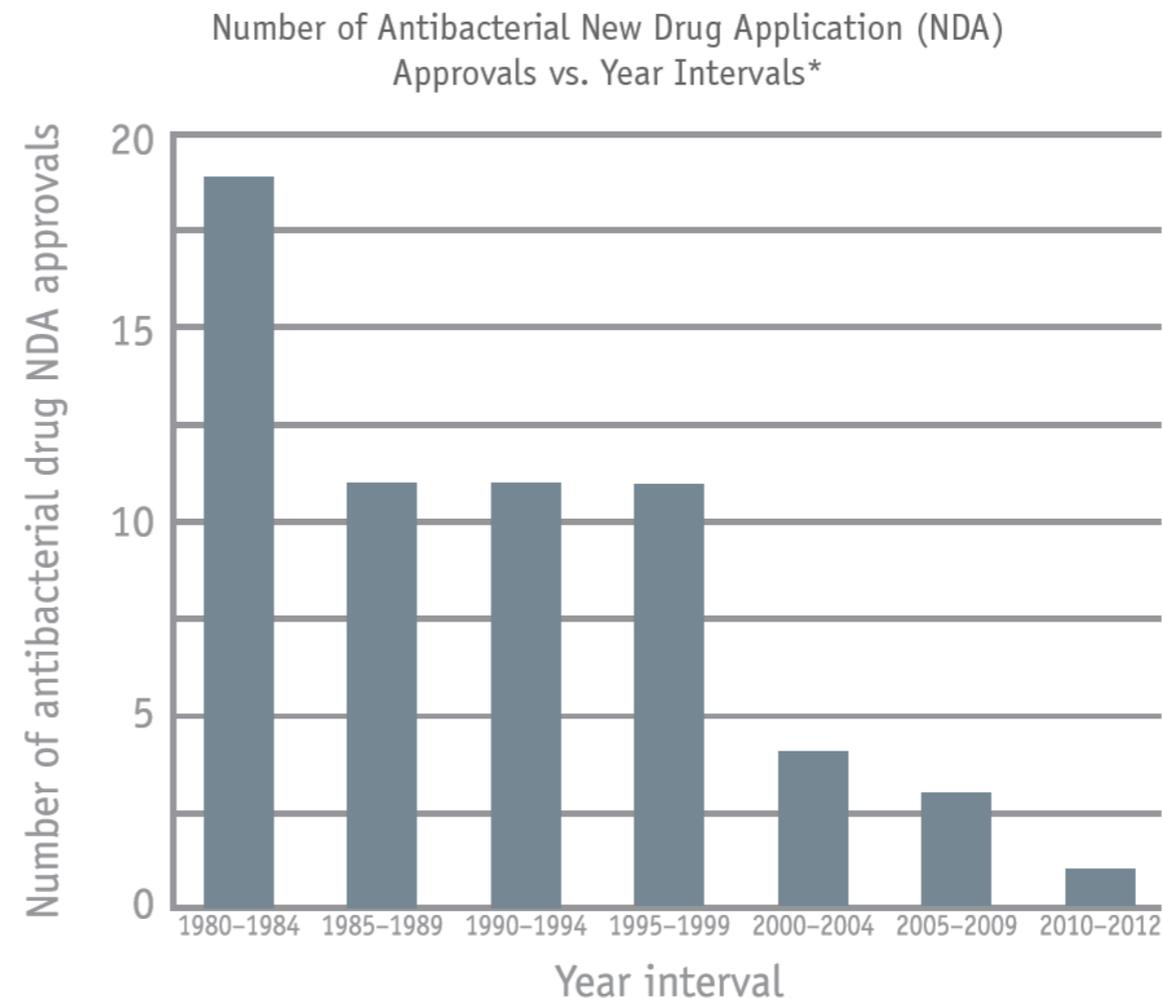


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Antibiotic Drug Pipeline

Tomorrow's Antibiotics: The Drug Pipeline

The number of new antibiotics developed and approved has steadily decreased in the past three decades, leaving fewer options to treat resistant bacteria.



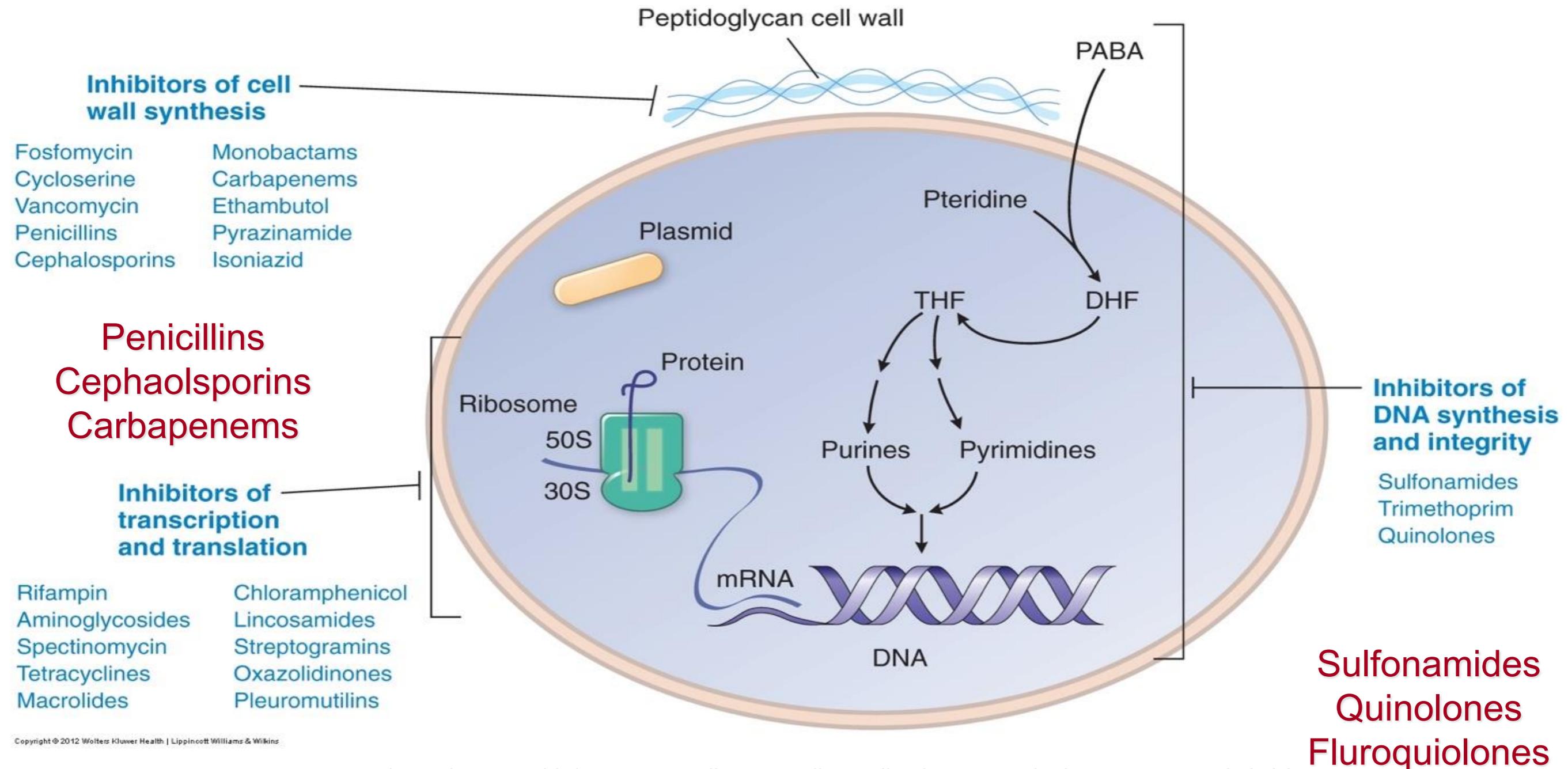
*Intervals from 1980-2009 are 5-year intervals; 2010-2012 is a 3-year interval. Drugs are limited to systemic agents. Data courtesy of FDA's Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER).

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How to Target Bacteria?

- Unique processes/proteins
- Cell Wall
- DNA synthesis
 - Single circular dsDNA chromosome
- Ribosomes
- Can you selectively target pathogenic bacteria?

How to Target Bacteria?



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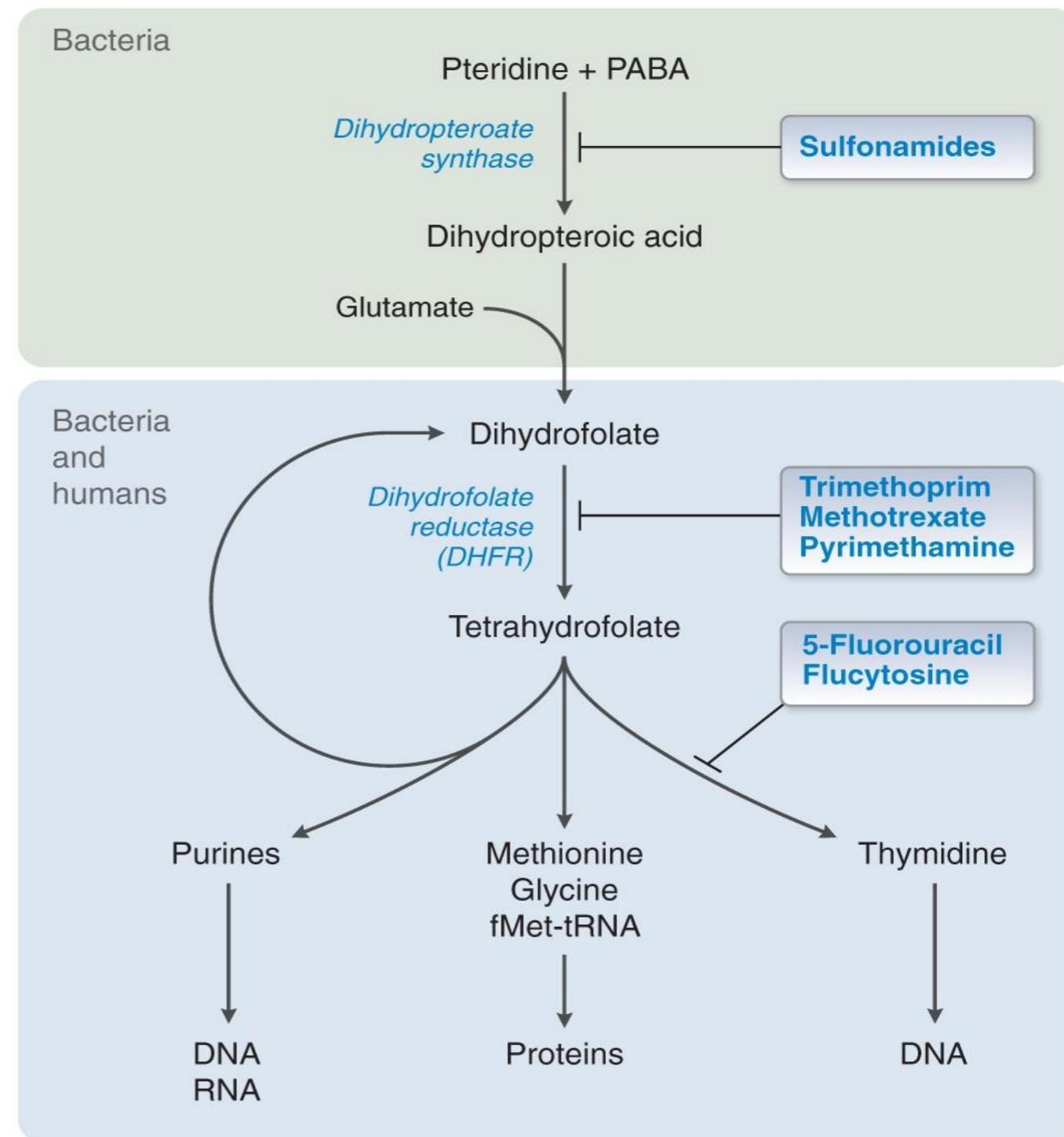
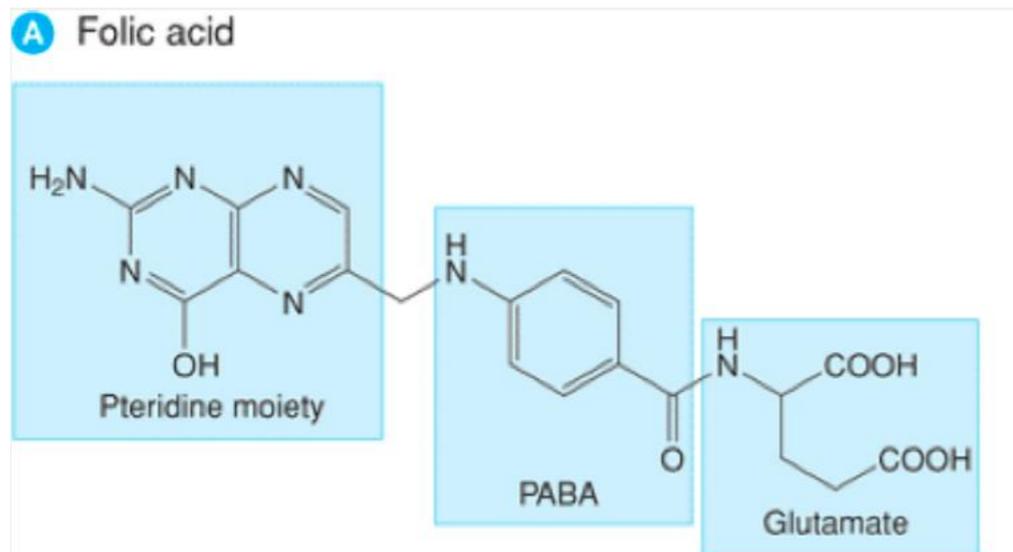
Aminoglycosides
Macrolides

Reactive Oxygen Species

Golan, Fig. 32-1

Folic Acid Metabolism

- Humans require folic acid in diet and use as a cofactor in the synthesis of amino acids and nucleic acids
- Bacteria make their own folic acid
- Bacteriostatic

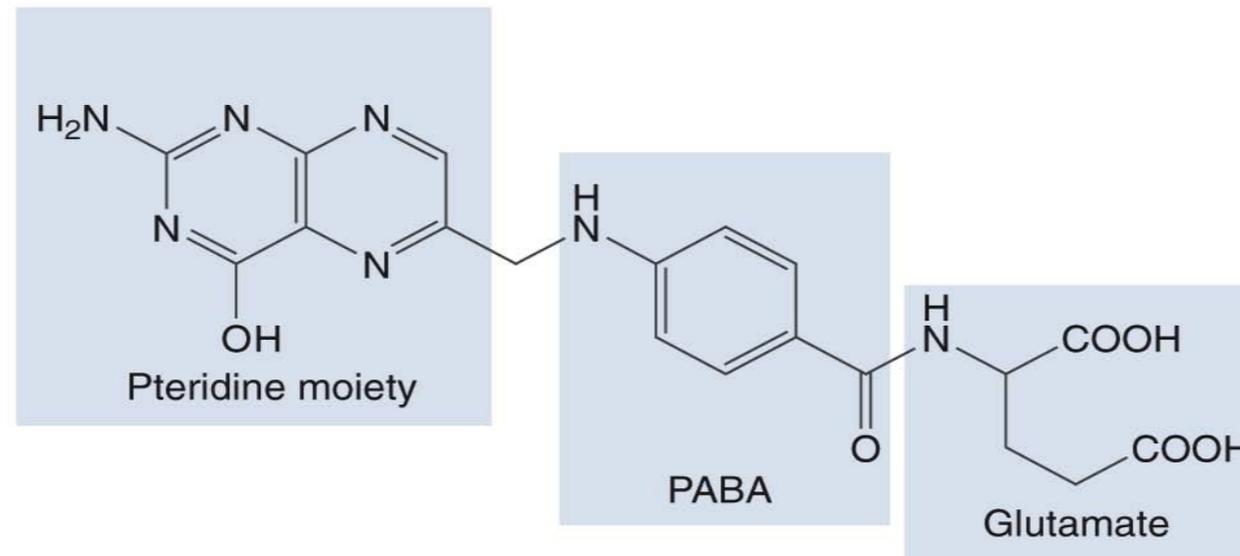


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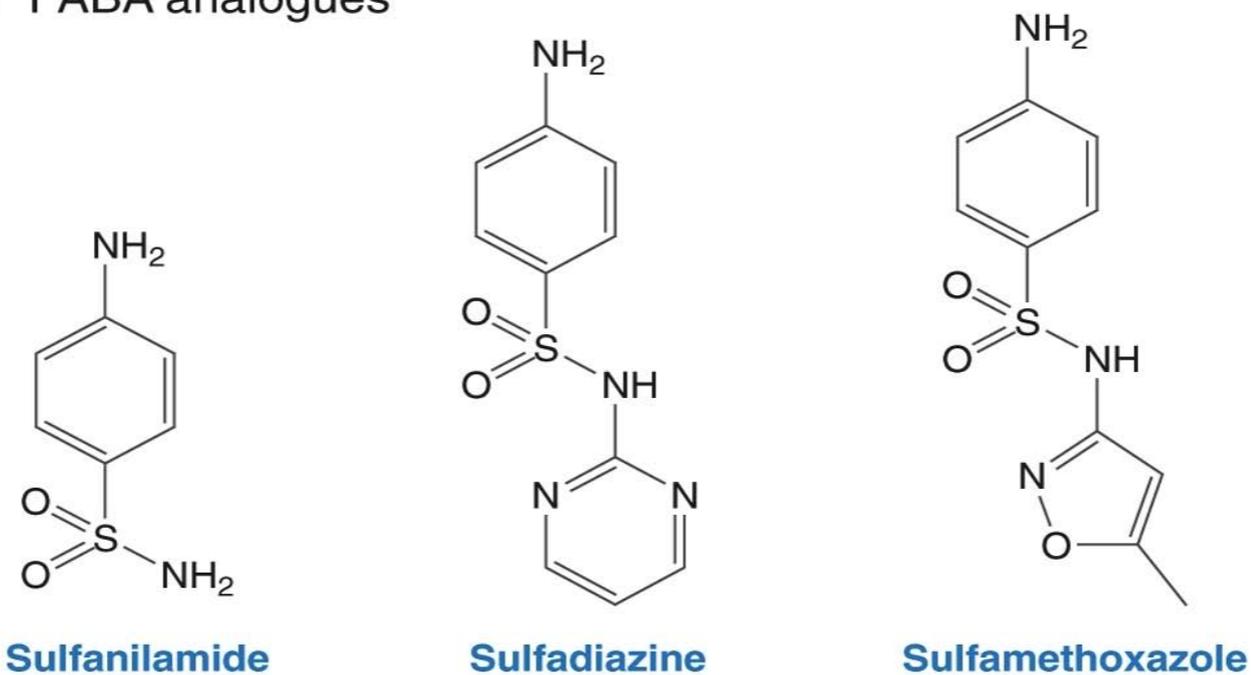
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Sulfonamides

A Folic acid



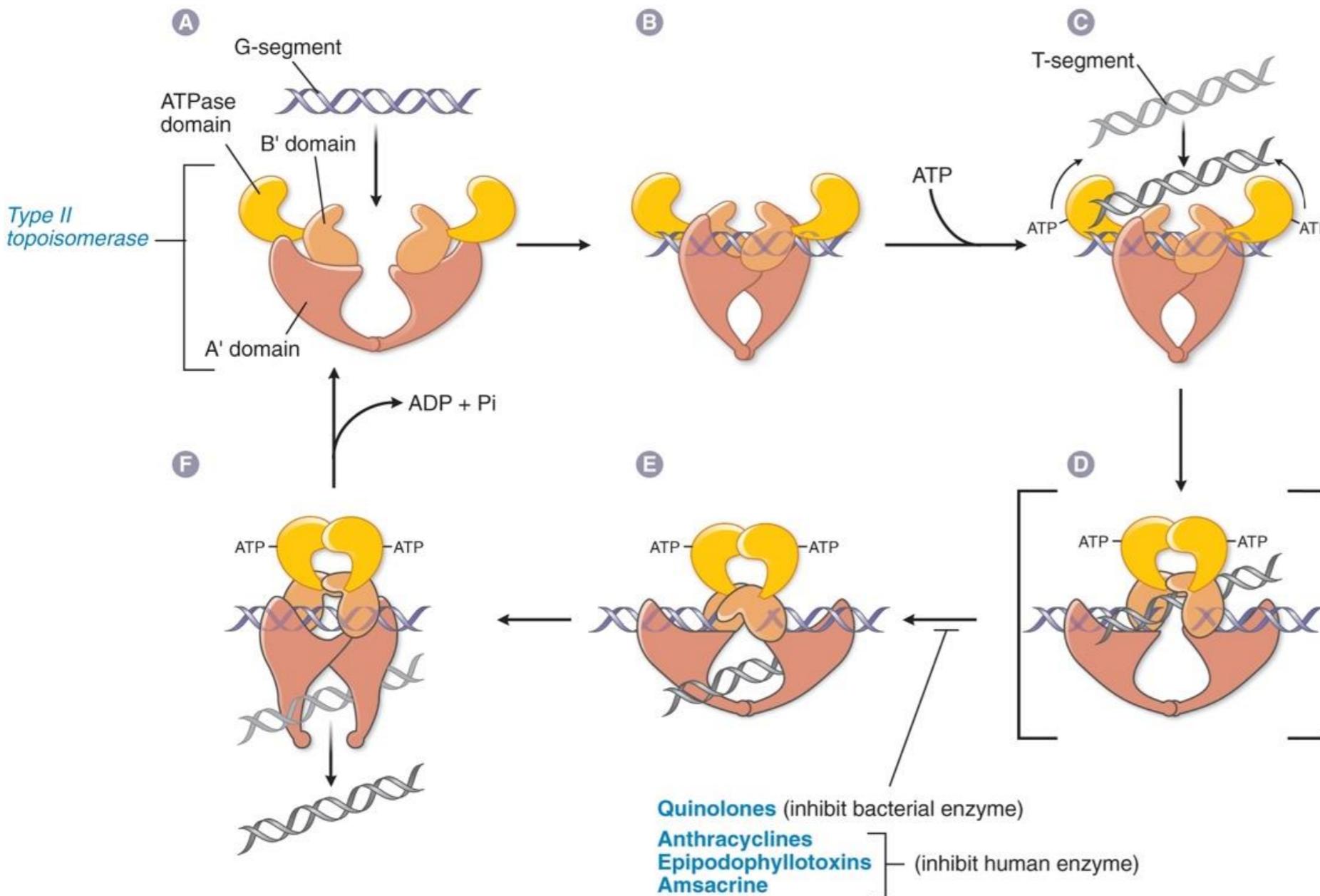
B PABA analogues



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Quinolones/Fluoroquinolones



- **Type II Topoisomerase**
- Produce double-strand breaks in DNA
- Quinolones inhibit TopoII before second strand can pass
- Bactericidal

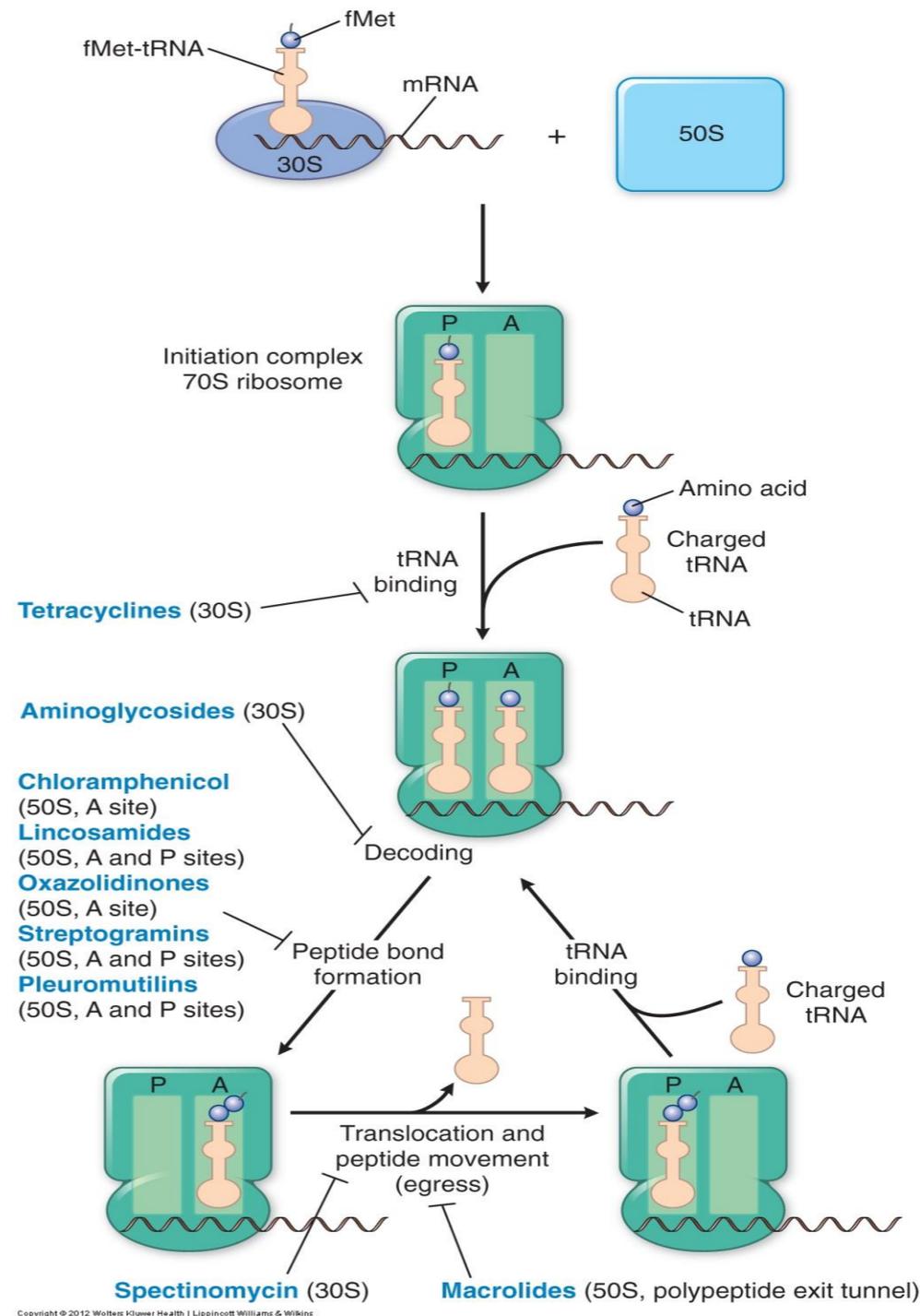
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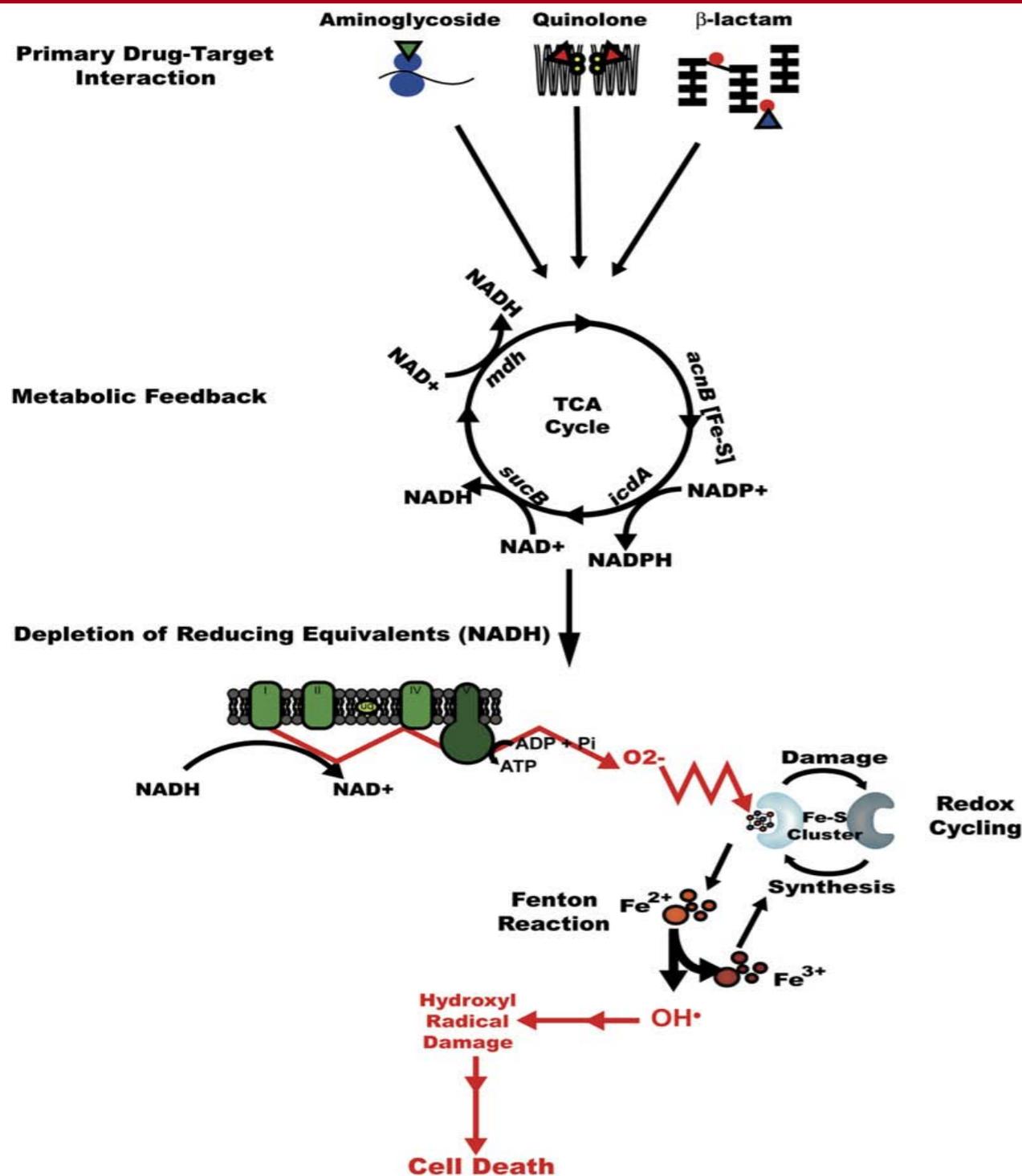
Inhibiting Protein Synthesis

- Multiple Mechanisms
- Not completely understood
- Tetracyclines, Macrolides, Chloramphenicol, Oxazolidinones are bacteriostatic
- Aminoglycosides are only bactericidal class among the protein synthesis inhibitors



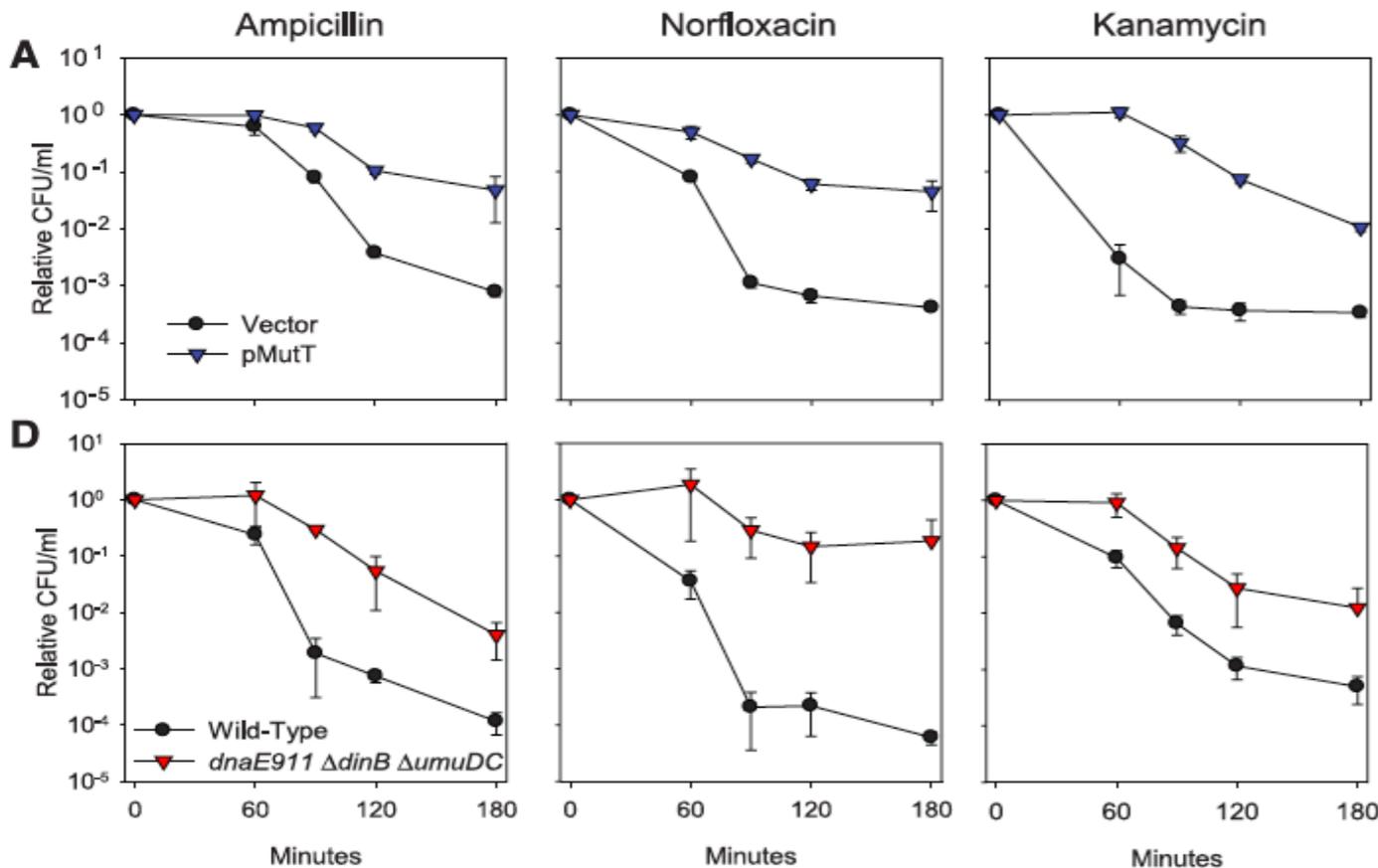
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Reactive Oxygen Species



- Observed for bactericidal but not bacteriostatic antibiotics
- NADH depletion
- Dependent on TCA Cycle
- Increased production of superoxide (O₂^{-•})
- Damage to iron-sulfur clusters
- Fenton Chemistry

Reactive Oxygen Species



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- Increase in ROS leads to an increase in nucleotide pool damage products ultimately producing DNA damage and cell death
- MutT removes 8-oxo-dGTP from the nucleotide pool
- *dnaE911*, *dinB*, & *umuDC* are DNA polymerases that incorporate 8-oxo-dG

8-oxo-dGTP

↓ Mut T

8-oxo-dGMP

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Antibiotics

- Unique processes/proteins
- Cell Wall
- DNA synthesis
- Ribosomes
- ROS
- Innate immunity
 - Phagocytes (neutrophils and macrophages)
- Adaptive immunity

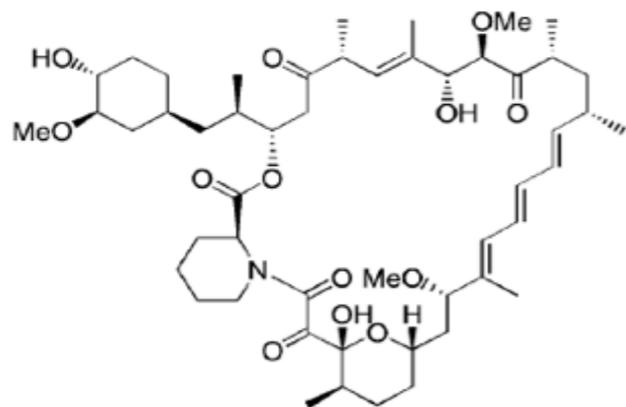
Alexander Fleming

- 1928 - Fleming's discovery of "mold juice"
 - Staphylococcus cultures contaminated with a mold from the genus *Penicillium*
 - Penicillin was born

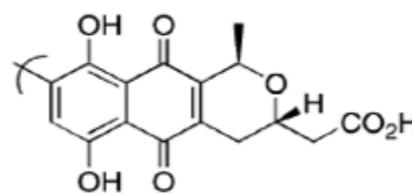
“Mold Juice”

- Why would a mold make a bactericidal compound?
- Why would bacteria make bactericidal compounds?

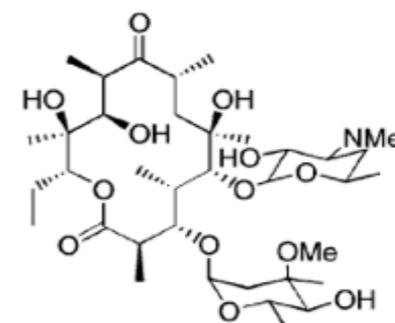
Common Toxins



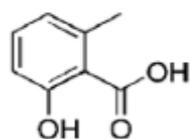
Rapamycin
polyene immunosuppressant



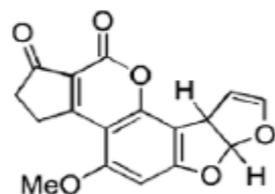
Actinorhodin
aromatic antibiotic



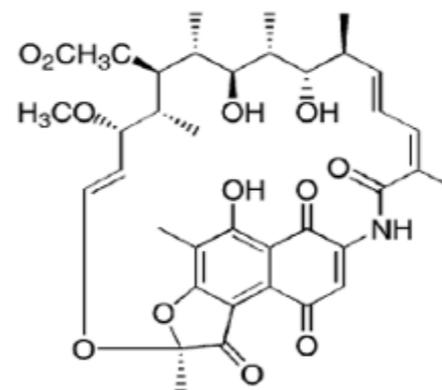
Erythromycin A
macrolide antibiotic



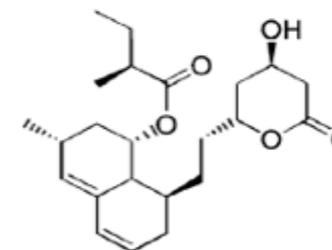
6-Methylsalicylic acid
aromatic antibiotic



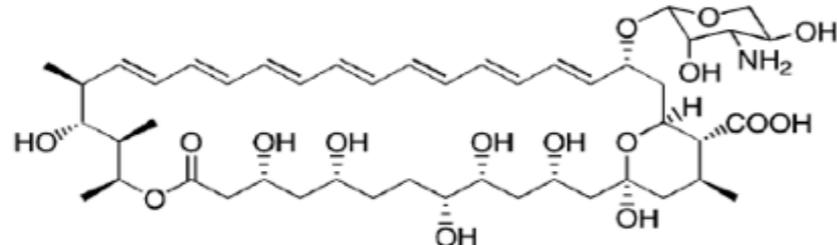
Aflatoxin B1
mycotoxin carcinogen



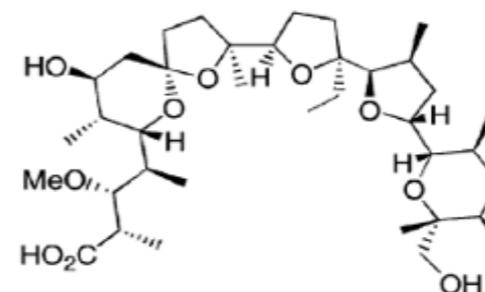
Rifamycin S
ansamycin antibiotic



Lovastatin
anti-cholesterol



Amphotericin B
polyene antifungal



Monensin A
polyether antibiotic

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Polyketide Biosynthesis

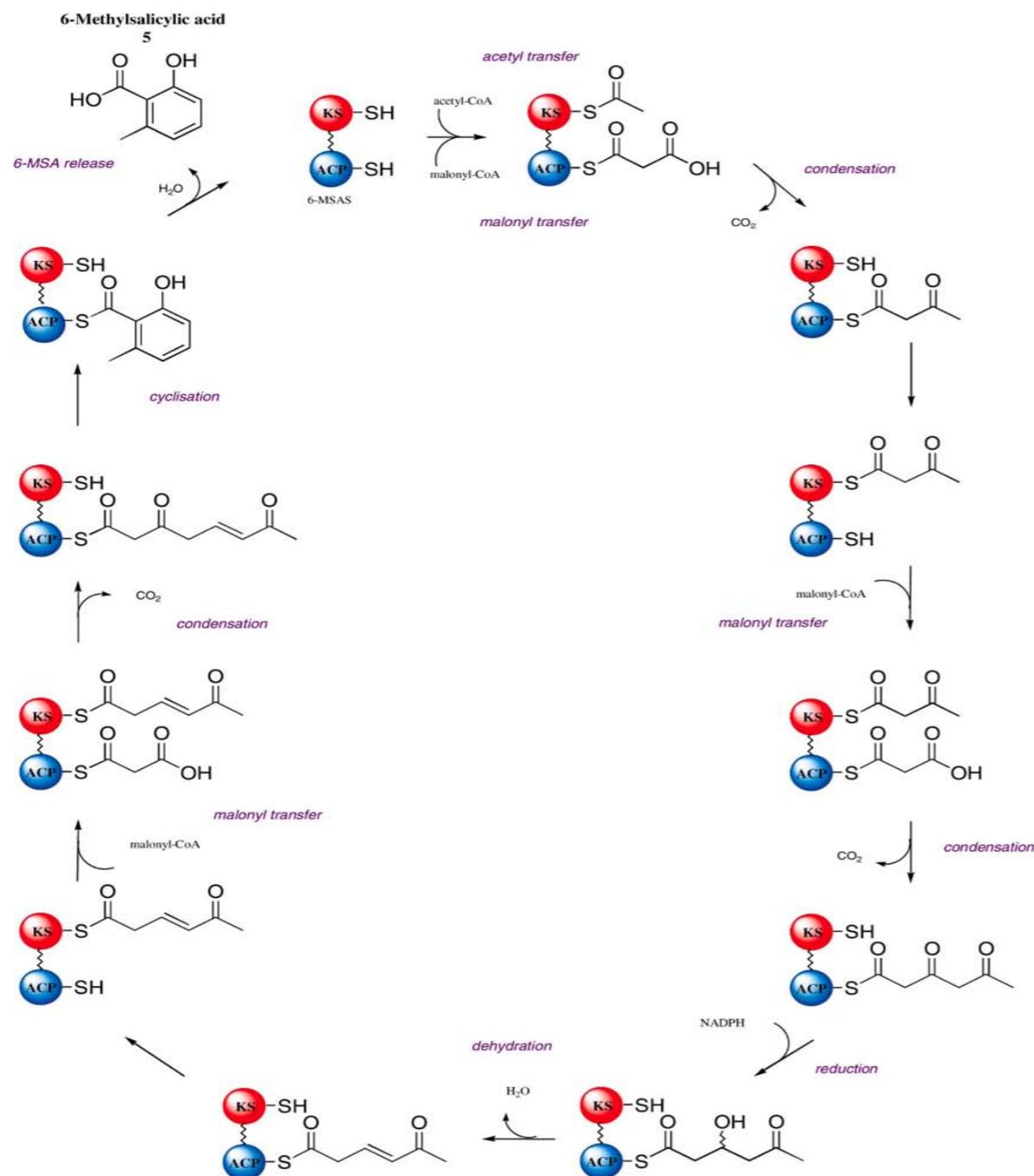
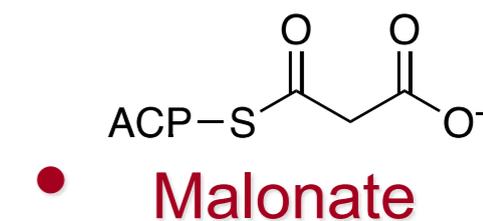
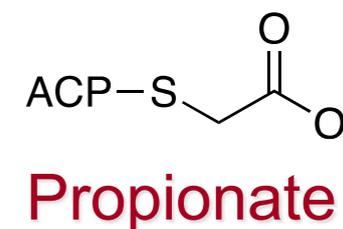
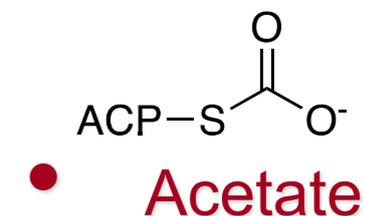


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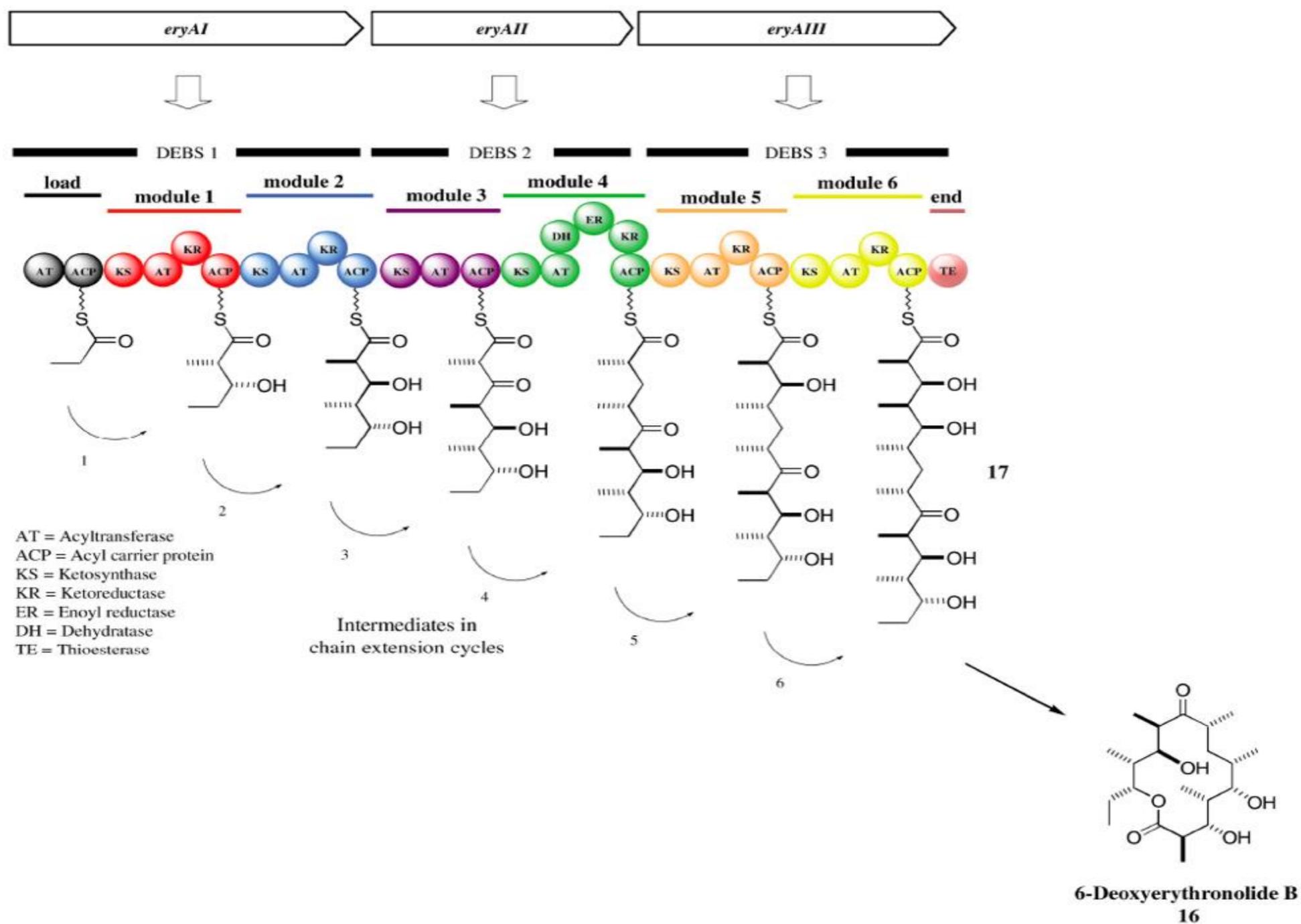


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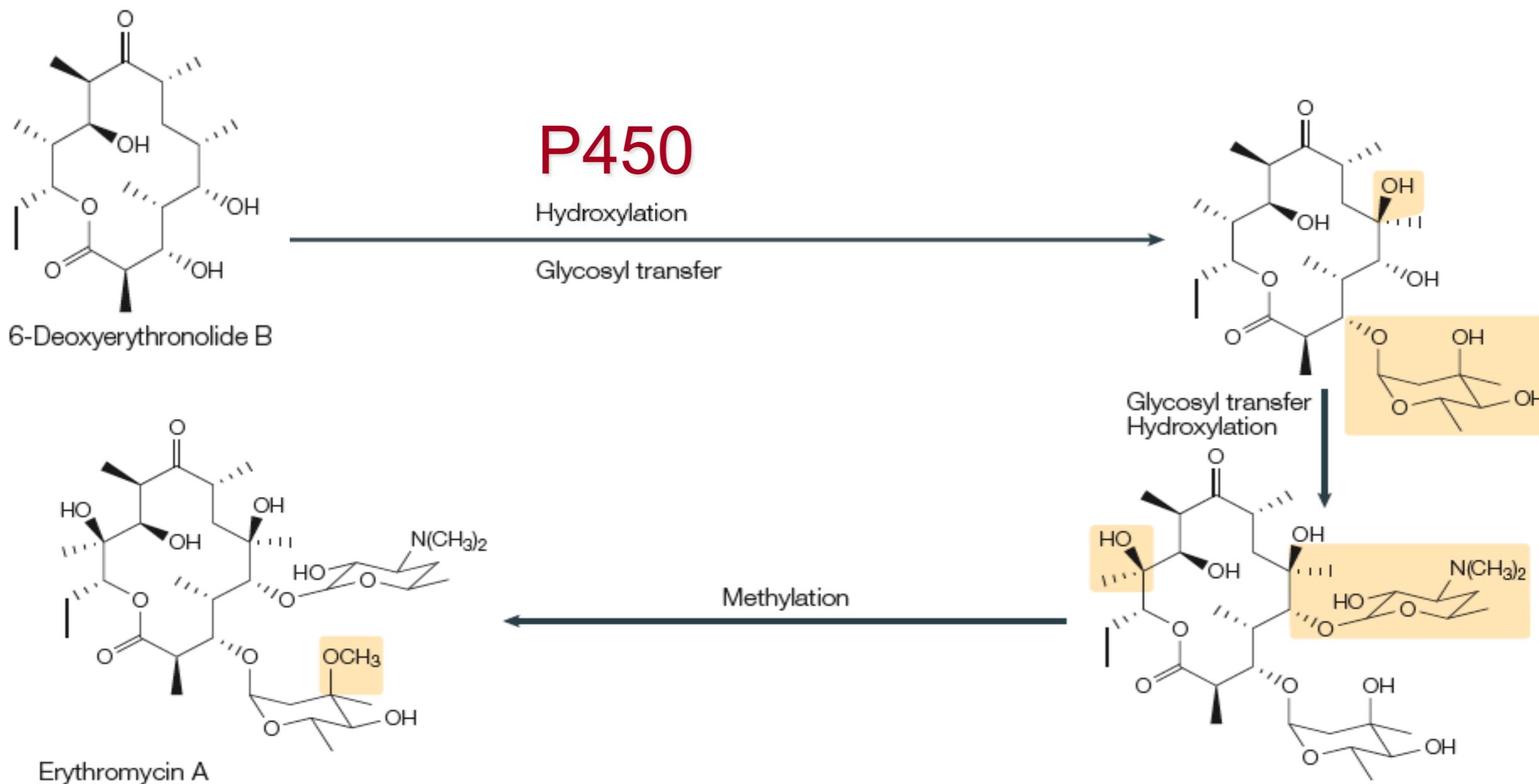
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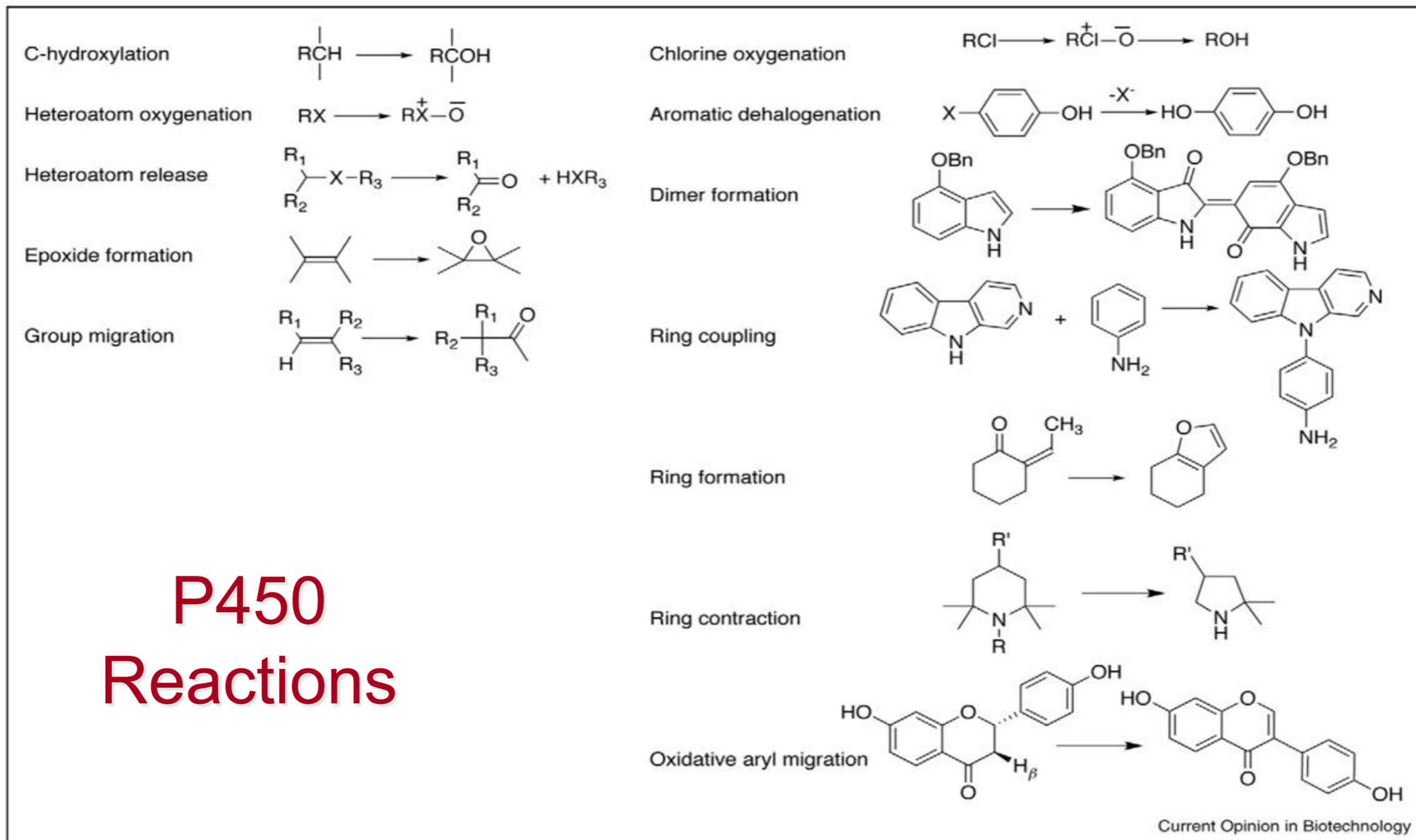
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Post-PKB Modifications



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Post-PKB - Secondary Metabolites



P450 Reactions

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Bacterial Treatment

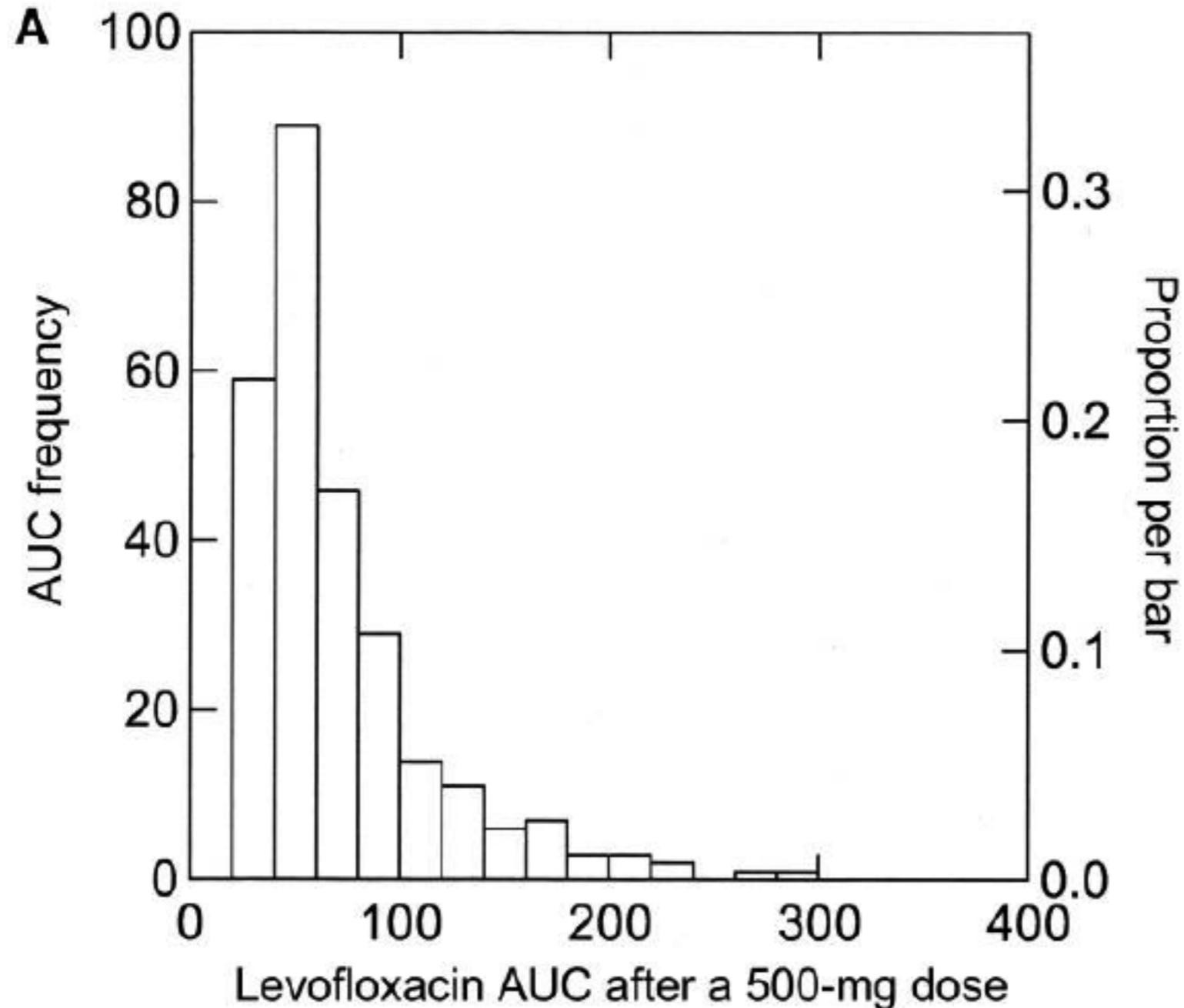
- Two main initiatives for human infection
 - Eliminate bacteria
 - Avoid emergence of resistance
- Bacteriostatic vs. Bactericidal
- During preclinical (and sometimes clinical) development the compound's efficacy can be measured (not the case for many targets)
- Different drug classes require different dosing (i.e., different measurable endpoints)
- MIC = Minimal Inhibitory Concentration

Clinical Bacterial Pharmacology

Acquire data:

- PK (AUC, C_{max}, time > MIC, protein binding)
- MIC for bacteria
- Evaluate dosage levels

Population Variation



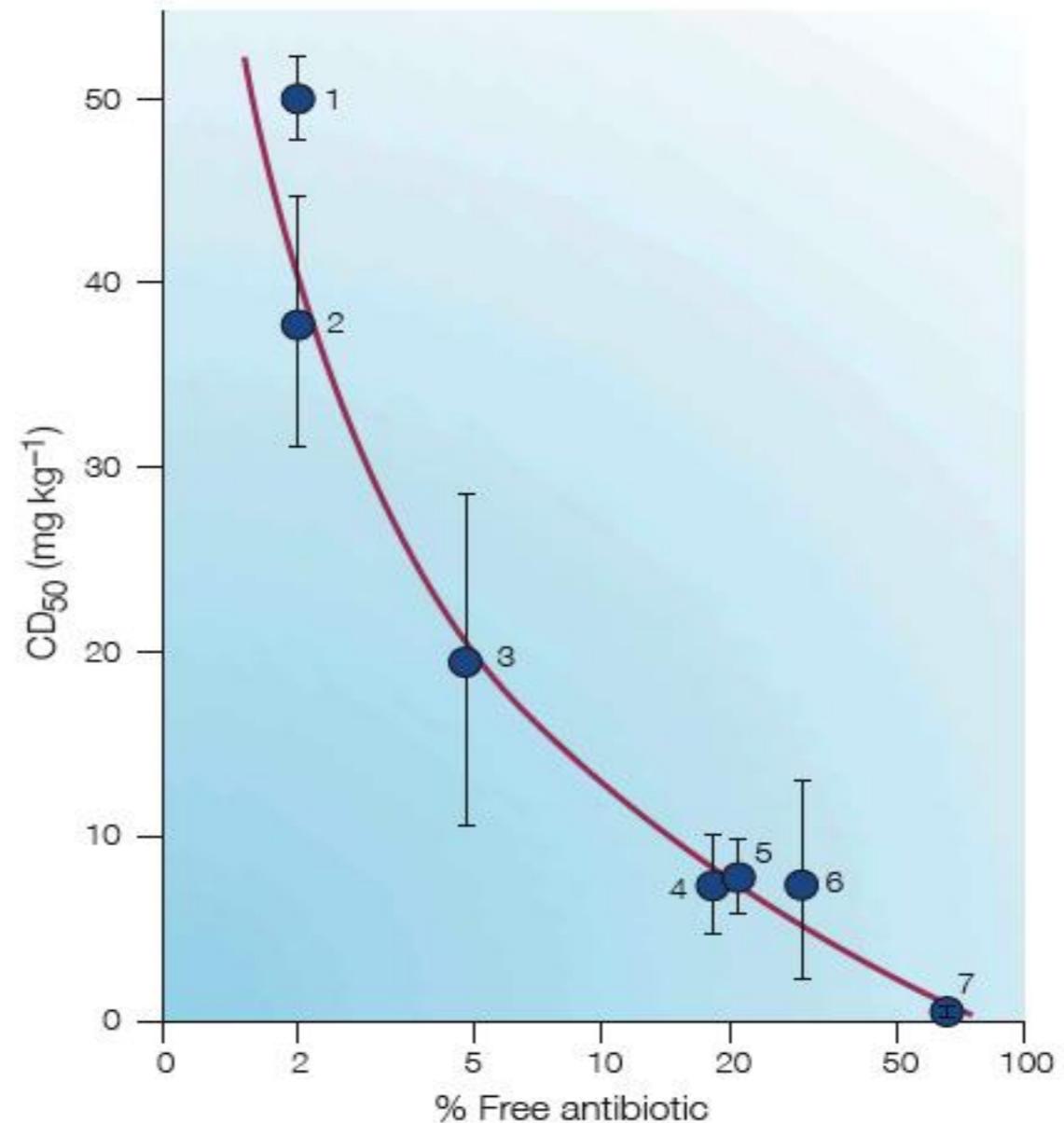
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252 Patients with Community Acquired Infections

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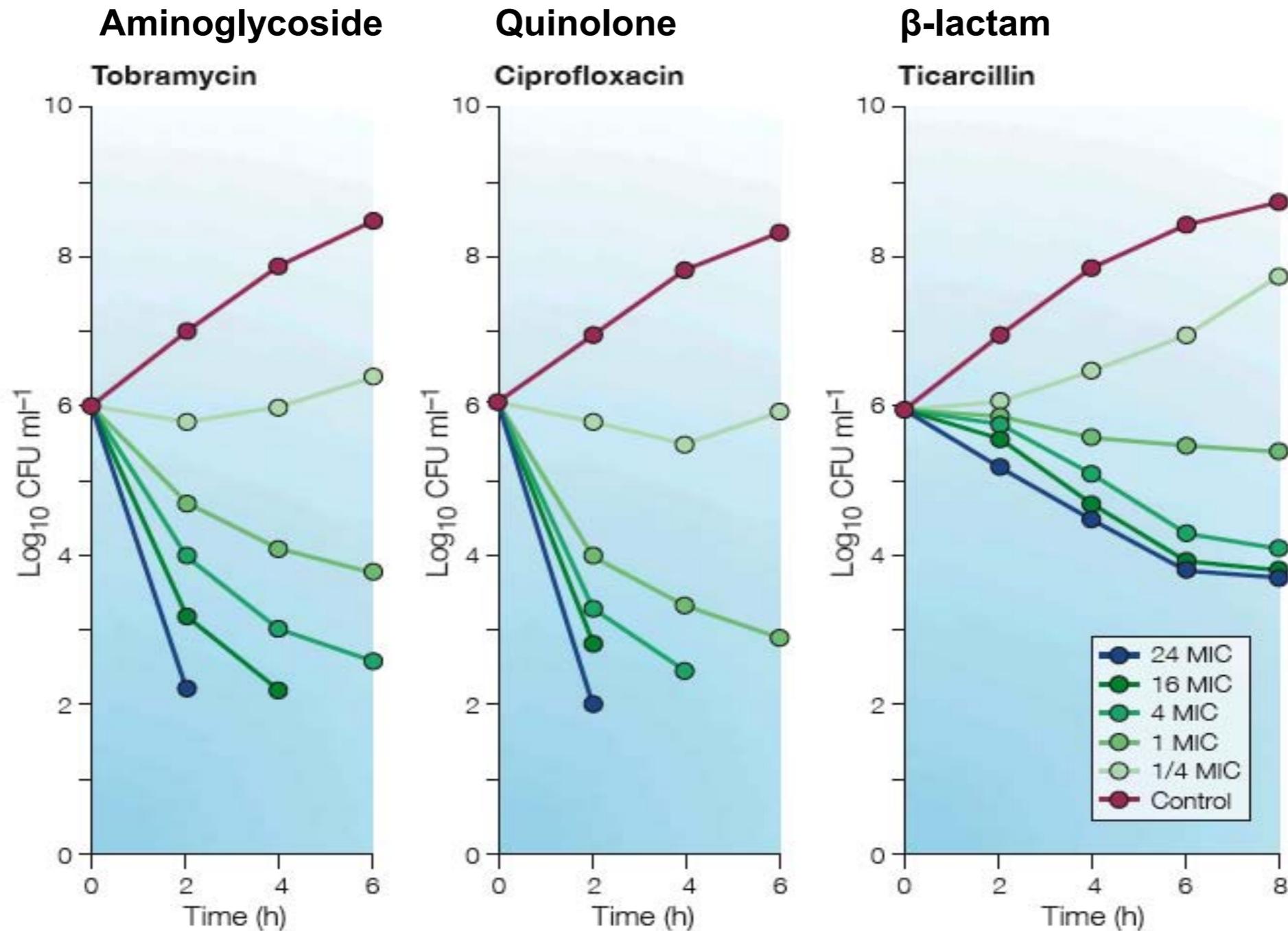
Protein Binding

- *Staphylococcus aureus* mouse model (IP)
- 7 separate structurally similar β -lactams
- All have identical MIC
- Only free drug is pharmacologically active



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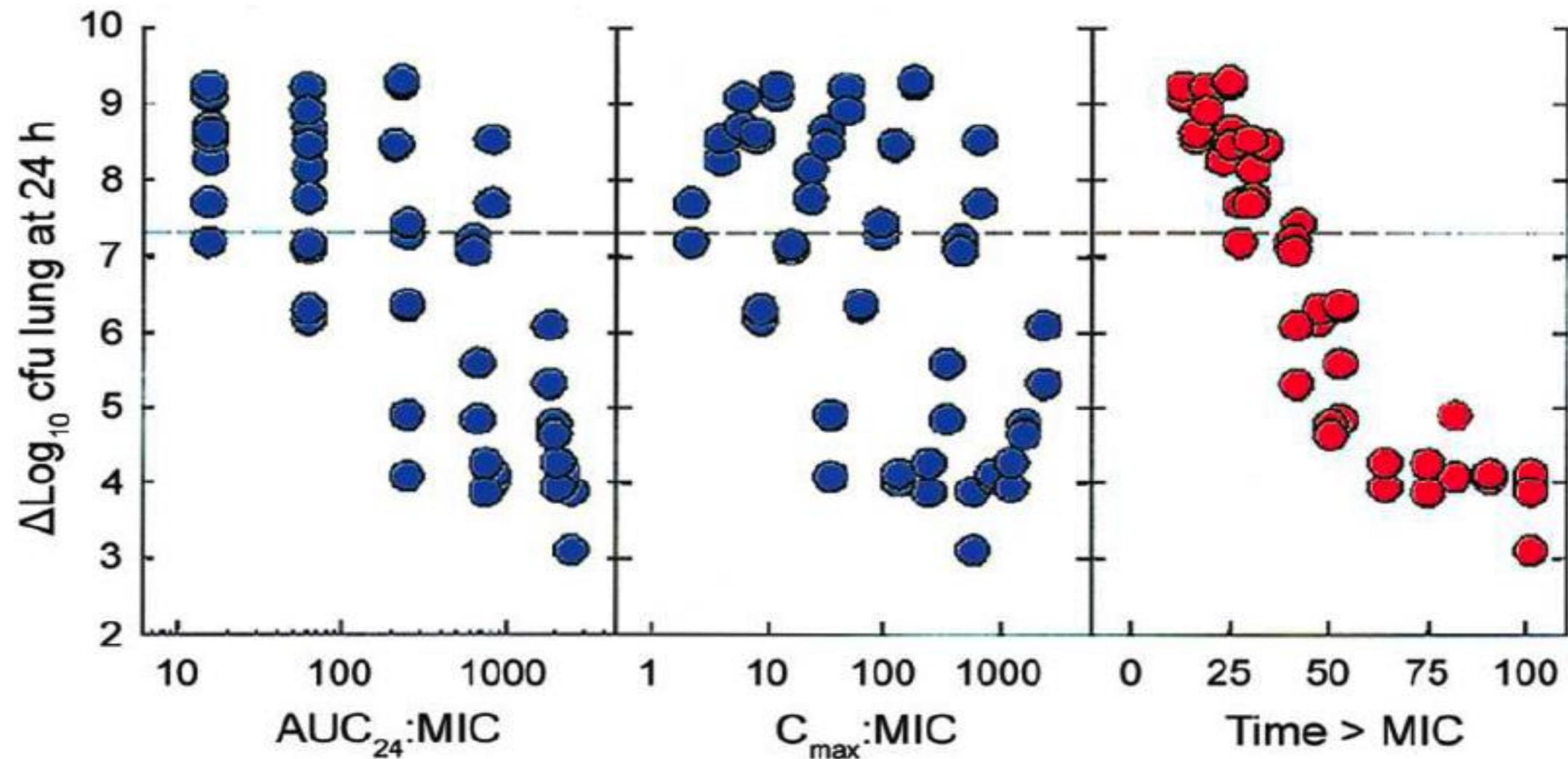
Bacterial Kill Rates



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Linking Exposure to Efficacy

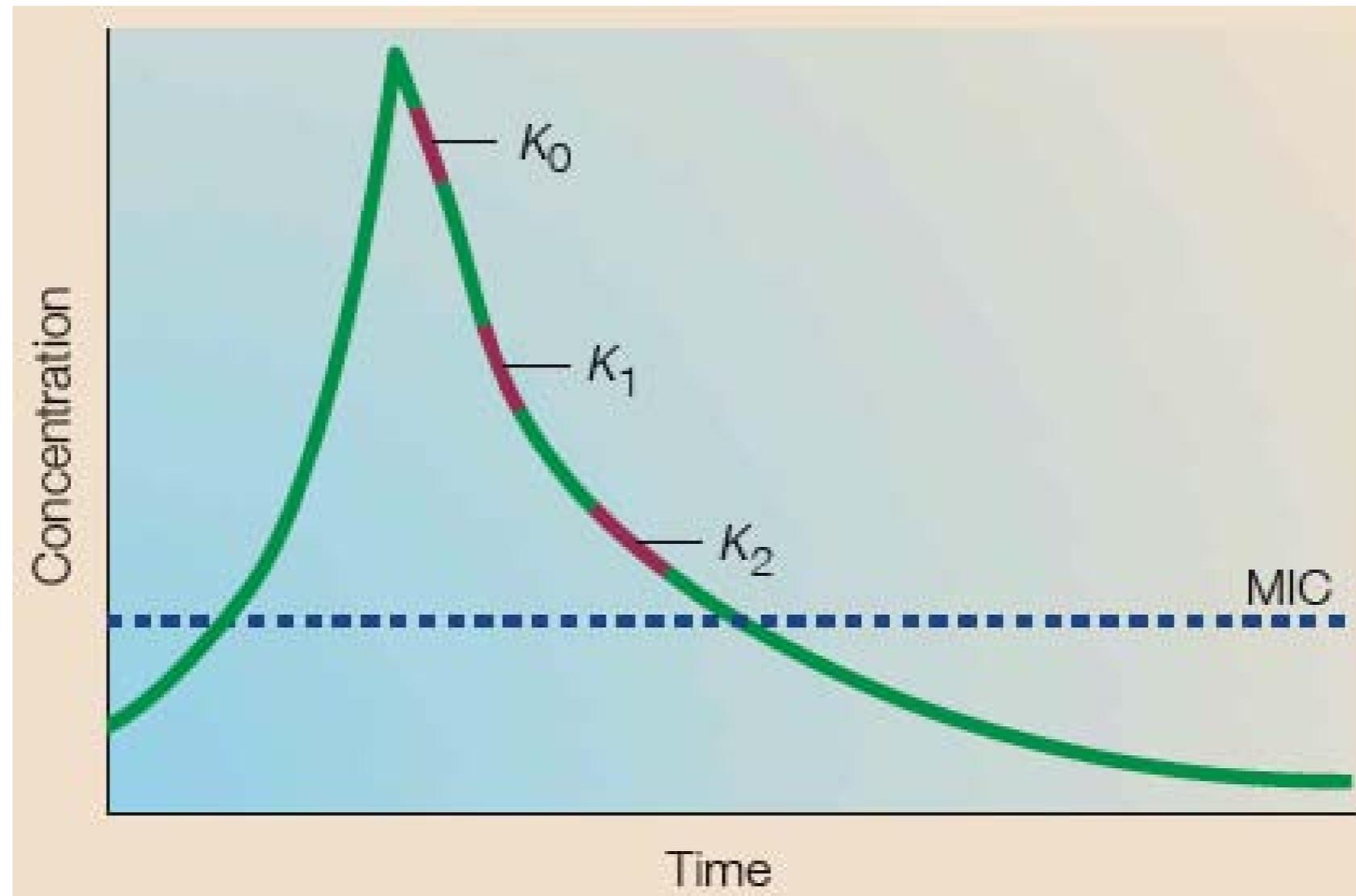
Cefotaxime β -lactam Neutropenic Animals



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PD-Dependence on Kill Curves



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β -lactams: $K_0 \sim K_1 \sim K_2$

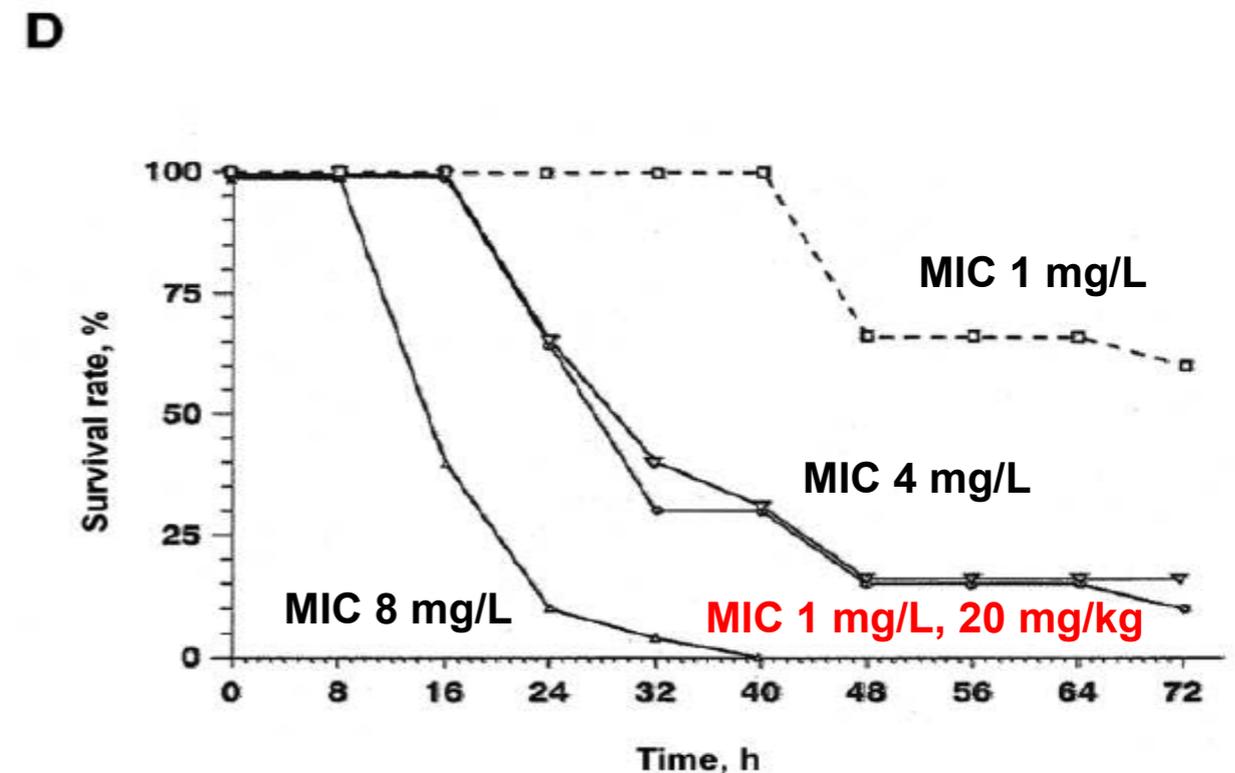
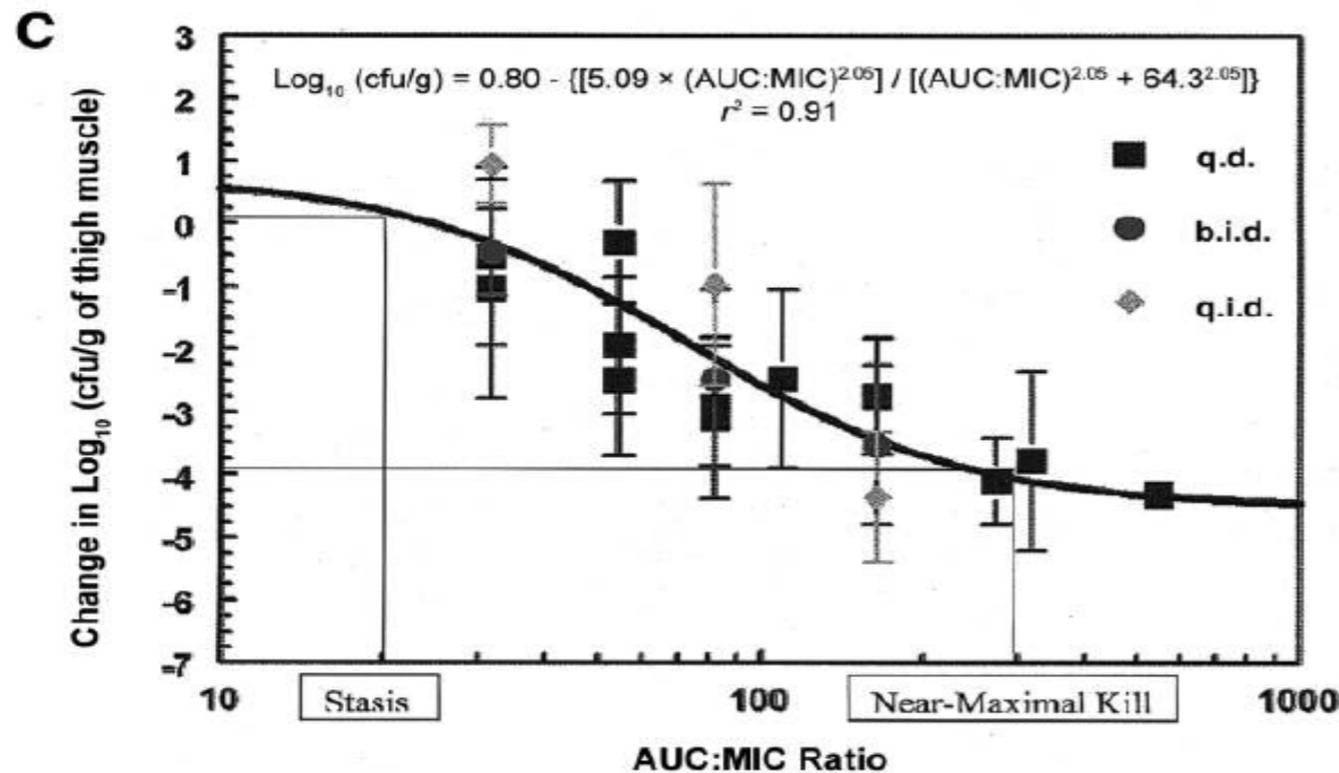
Quinolones, Aminoglycosides: $K_0 > K_1 > K_2$

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Fluoroquinolones: AUC to MIC Matters

q.d. = A dose 1x/day
 b.i.d. = A/2 dose, 2x/day
 q.i.d. = A/4 dose, 4x/day

80 mg/kg daily dose
 lomefloxacin (fluoroquinolone)
 3 strains of *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*
 Neutropenic Rats



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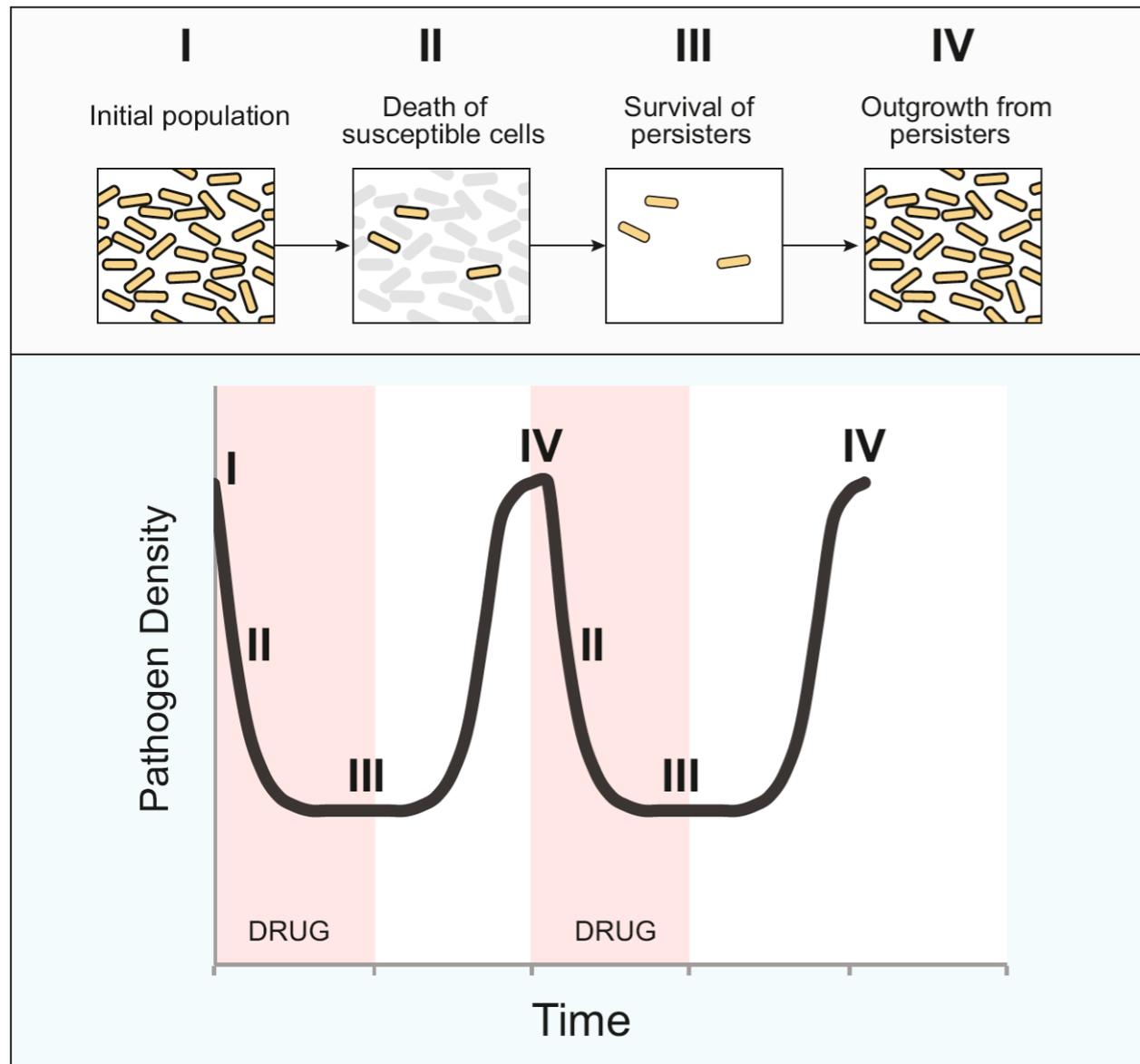
Lomefloxacin (fluoroquinolone)
S. pneumoniae
 Model: Mouse thigh infection

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Emergence of Resistance

- Heterogeneous cell populations
- Hypermutators and persisters
- High mutation rate
- Mutations at 10^{-8} to 10^{-6} genes per generation
- Rapid growth rate
- Double approximately every 30 minutes
- Readily transfer genetic material
- Improper treatment selects for resistant cultures

Persister Phenotype



- Distinct from resistance
- No expansion in presence of antibiotic
- Population growth upon removal
- Nonhereditary phenotype
- Problematic for “compromised” individuals of the population

Figure 1. Drug Persistence and Recurrent Infection

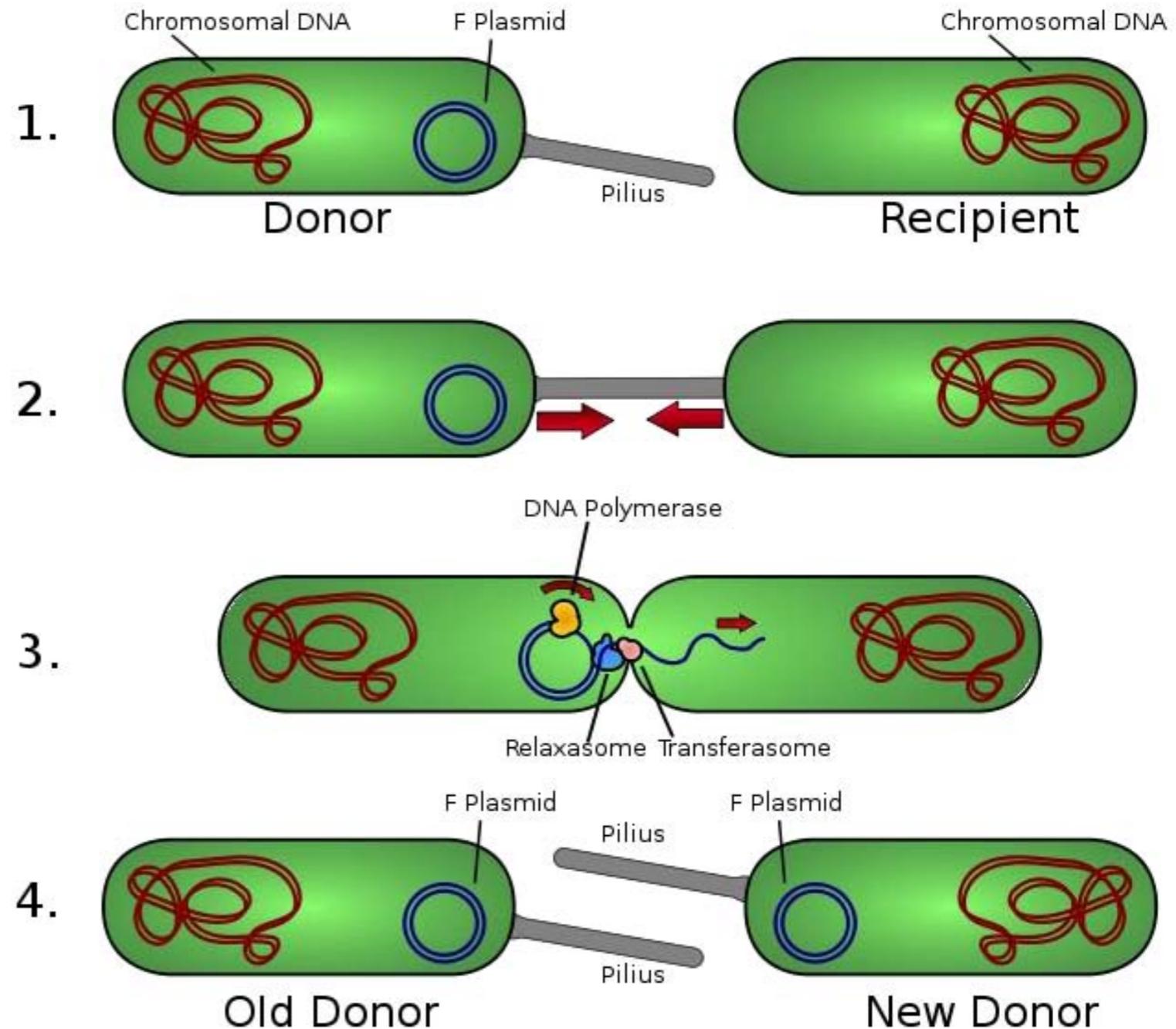
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Genetic Variation

- Point mutations
 - Vertical transmission (germ line)
- Plasmid born (conjugation)
 - Horizontal gene transfer
- Acquire environmental DNA (transformation)
 - Horizontal transmission
- Virus/bacteriophage (transduction)
 - Horizontal transmission

Conjugation

- Horizontal transfer (horizontal gene transfer)
- Plasmid can contain multiple factors that render resistance
- Can be passed between different species and genus

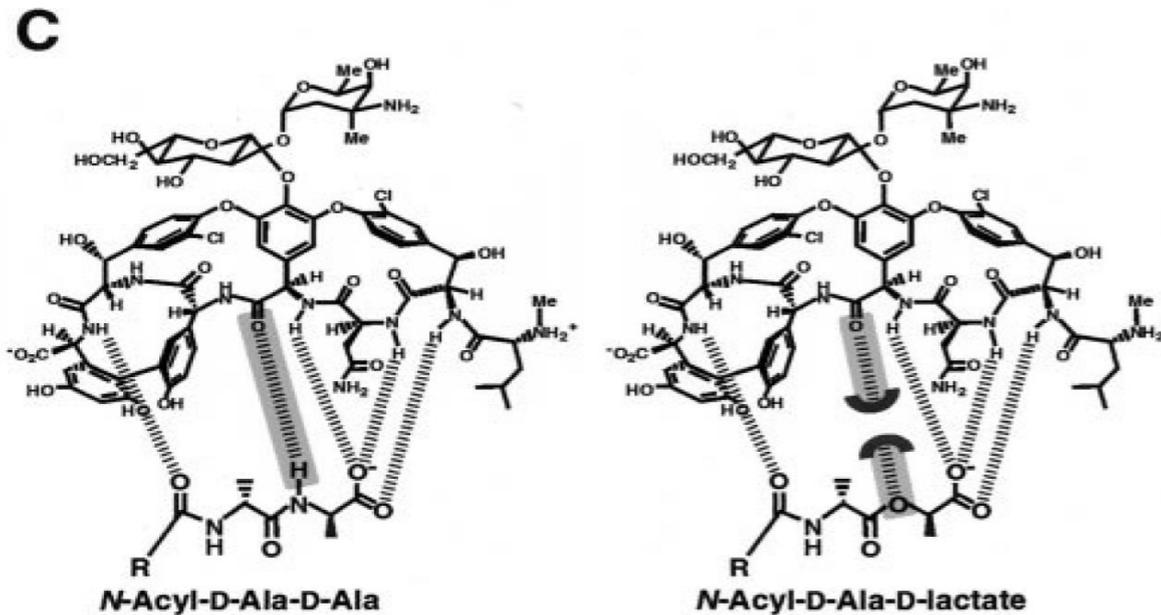
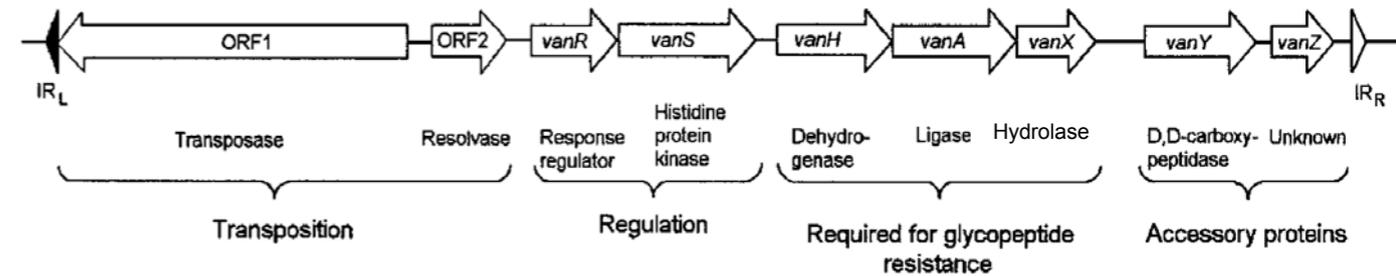
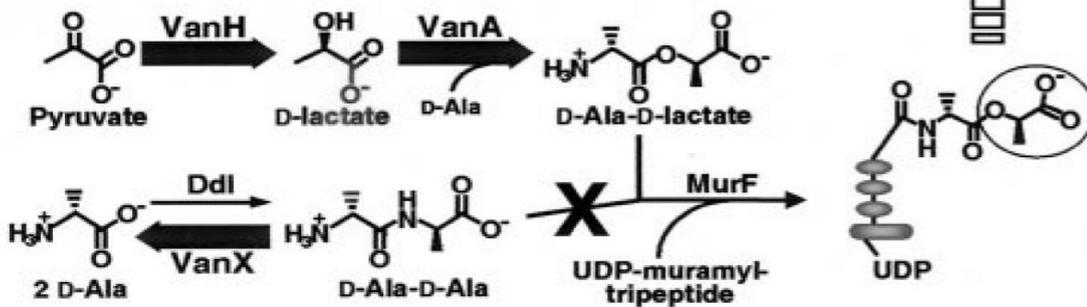
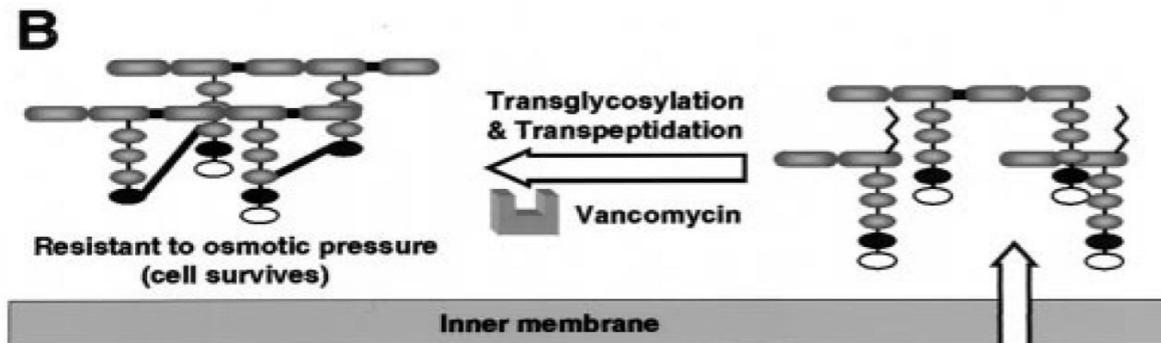


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Common Resistance Mechanisms

- Metabolic enzymes
 - β -Lactamase
 - Esterase
 - Acetyltransferase
- Efflux pumps
 - Reduce concentration of drug
- Mutations in antibiotic targeted proteins
 - Topo II

Vancomycin Resistance



- 9 Genes on a transposon
- All genes can hop in and out
- VanS and VanR are regulatory genes that are only switched on in the presence of Vancomycin

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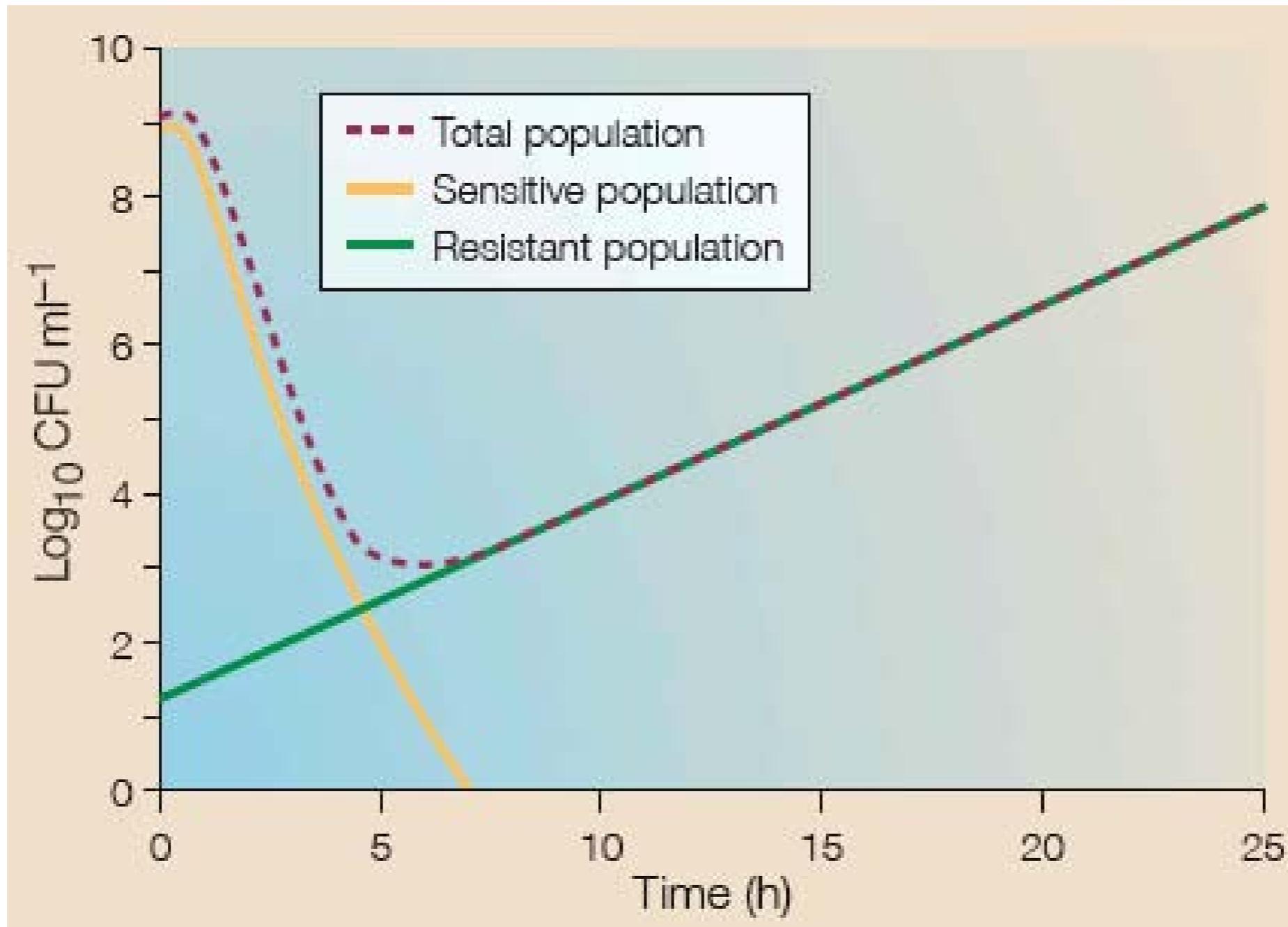
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Hypermutator Phenotype

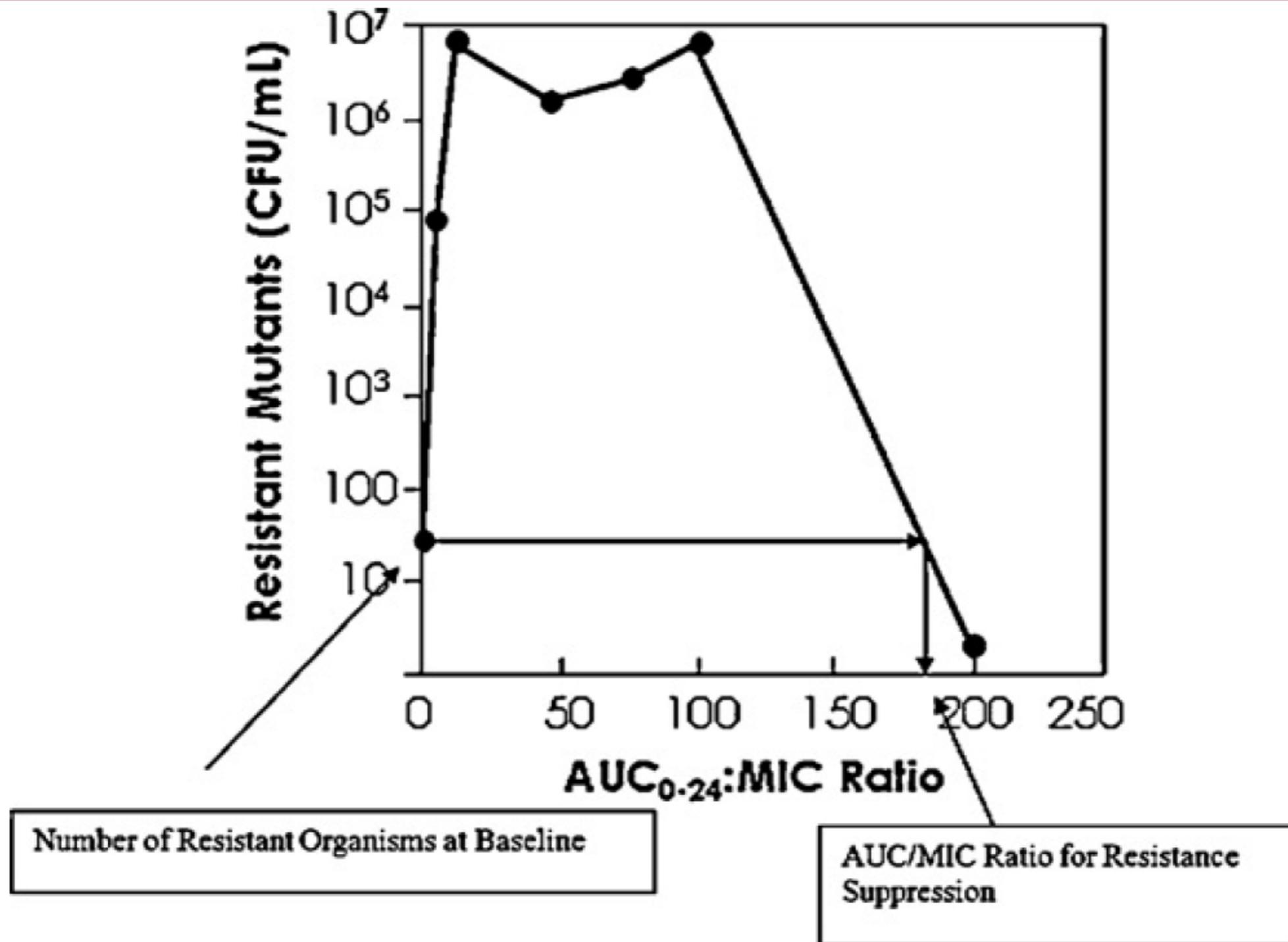
- In absence of horizontal transfer, the only possible resistance mechanism is mutation
- Mutations in DNA repair mechanisms lead to increased rates of germ line mutations
- Accelerated evolution via promiscuous repair/recombination and rapid duplication

Selective Pressure



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Amplification of Resistance



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Dosing Impacts Emergence of Resistance

- Size matters
 - Larger the bacterial load, the more likely that resistant populations exist
- Rapid and more intense the treatment the better (in general)
 - Minimize time for bacteria to mutate or transfer resistance
- Granulocytes (innate immune system) clear bacteria at appreciable rates
 - Co-dependence on antibiotics to limit growth and impact population size
- Evaluation of PK/PD antimicrobial parameters are on a case-by-case basis. More work needs to be done in vivo
- Predictive tools for infection type and virulence are needed

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