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Screening of synthetic metallo-organic compounds with anti-TB activity

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Why new drugs against *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*?



Current Global Status



Infected: 1.86 billion (32%)
New cases/yr: 8.7 million

Deaths/yr: 1.7 million (5,000/day)
 26% of avoidable deaths in developing world
 Brazil : reports the second-highest TB mortality and morbidity among all countries in the Americas

Drug resistance: ubiquitous (WHO/TB)
 primary: 1.4% MDR, 10.4% SDR
 acquired: 13% MDR, 36% SDR

“No new drugs excepting rifabutin and rifapentine after rifampicin”

Current treatment for TB

American Thoracic Society, CDC, WHO

- **2 months, daily** (intensive phase)
 - Isoniazid (INH), 5 mg/kg
 - Rifampin, 10 mg/kg
 - Pyrazinamide, 15-30 mg/kg
- **4 months daily** (continuation phase)
 - Isoniazid (INH), 5 mg/kg
 - Rifampin, 10 mg/kg


Impact of New Chemotherapy

- 1. Reducing Treatment Duration**
 - Improved compliance
- 2. Successful treatment of MDR-TB**
 - Reduce transmission of MDR-TB
 - Decrease cost of treatment
- 3. Cure latent TB infection**
 - Reduce/eliminate disease reservoir

Ideal properties of new anti-TB drugs

- ❖ Good oral bioavailability and tolerability
- ❖ No drug-drug interactions or antagonism with retro virus drugs
- ❖ Rapid bactericidal activity on extra and intracellular bacilli (inside macrophages)
- ❖ Low toxicity : hepato, cardio, bone marrow, néfro, neuro, and genotoxicity

None Toxicity



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Why synthetic metallo-organic complexes?

- ❖ For the first time in decades, there is now a pipeline of new synthetic compounds that are being tested on TB
- ❖ Within this growing pipeline of potential new TB drugs, seven are at various stages of clinical development

Tuberculosis (TB) clinical drug development programs

Compound	Development Stage	Sponsor/Coordinator
Gatifloxacin	Phase 3	European Commission; IRD; WHO/TDR; Lupin
Moxifloxacin	Phase 2/3	Bayer; TB Alliance; CDC; University College London; Johns Hopkins University
TMC 207 (Diarylquinoline)	Phase 2	Johnson & Johnson (Tibotec)
OPC 67683 (Nitroimidazole)	Phase 1 EBA	Otsuka Pharmaceutical
PA 824 (Nitroimidazole)	Phase 1	TB Alliance
LL 3858 (Pyrrole)	Phase 1	Lupin
SQ 109 (Diamine)	Phase 1	Sequella

(Melvin K. Spigelman JID, 2007)

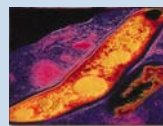
Why synthetic metallo-organic complexes?

1. Within this group, there are no complexes between metals and organic compounds
2. Medicinal Inorganic Chemistry is an area in continuous expansion
3. Many studies have shown an increase in the pharmacological activity of pure organic compounds when complexed with metals

How to
evaluate
biological
activities?


Determination of *in vitro* antimycobacterial activity

- ❖ Target Bacterium
- ❖ *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* H37Rv (Lab. Level 3)



Mycobacterium tuberculosis

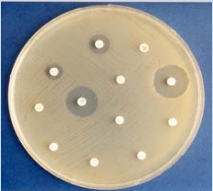
- Ancient pathogen, level 3 of danger
- Very slow growth
- Growth inside host macrophage
- Complex and lipids rich cell wall
- Resistant to many common antibiotics



Scanning Electron Micrograph of Mycobacterium tuberculosis

Biological assays

- ❖ Classic disk diffusion assay should be avoided because the mycobacteria grow slowly.
- ❖ Dilution methods in agar they are accomplished, for study of extracts and fractions, but the technique is difficult and slow (18 days to have resulted of CIM)



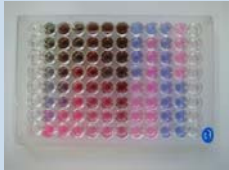
BACTEC System

- ❖ Radiometric BACTEC 460 Assay : is expensive method, the medium is a radioactive and each tube cost US\$3.00
- ❖ MGIT: Non radiometric

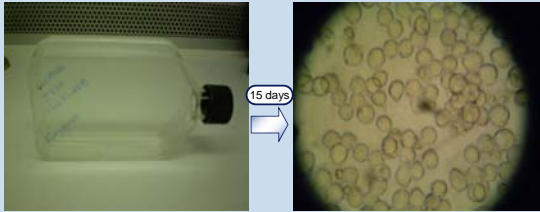


in vitro Antimycobacterial Activity Assay Resazurin Microtiter Assay - REMA

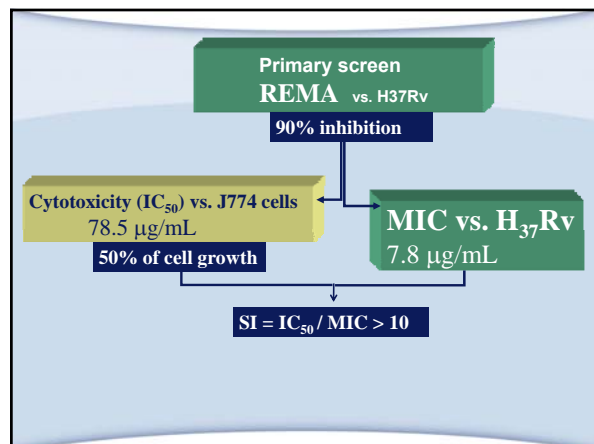
- *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* H37Rv
- 96-well format, 200 ul.
- Small sample requirement
- Incubation: 6 day , 37°C
- Mycobacterial growth is determined by reduction of the blue dye (Resazurin), to the pink and fluorescent resofurin
- A change from blue to pink indicates bacterial cells growth
- The MIC is defined as the lowest concentration of drugs that inhibits 90% of cell growth
- High-throughput anti-TB assay using microplate spectrophotometer or fluorimeter

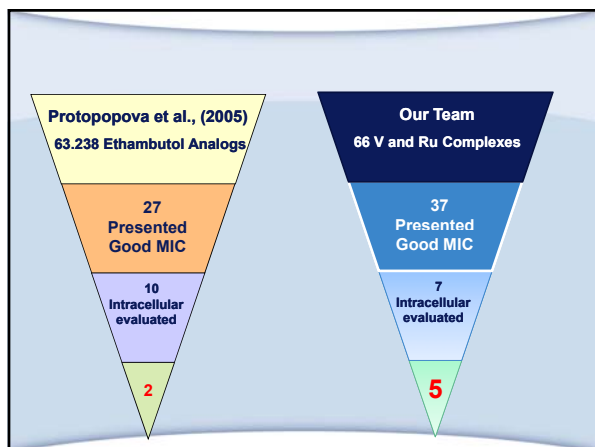
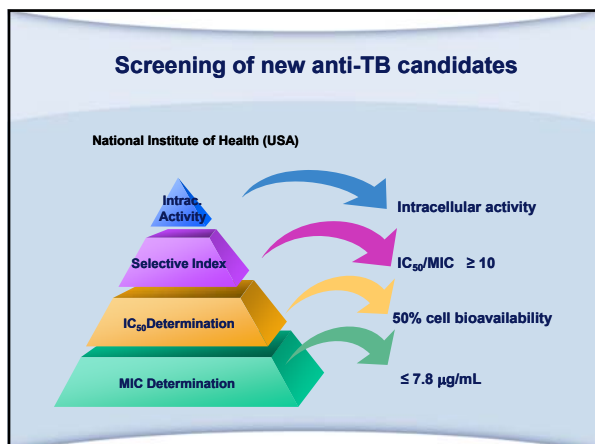


Cytotoxicity Assay (IC₅₀) and IS Determination of Intracellular activity



15 days





Inorganic Biochemistry
 Synthesis, characterization, X-ray structure and in vitro antimycobacterial and antitumoral activities of Ru(II) phosphine/dimine complexes containing the "SpymMe2" ligand, SpymMe2 = 4,6-dimethyl-2 mercaptopyrimidine
 Fábio B. do Nascimento, Gustavo Von Poehlsitz, Fernando R. Pavan, Daisy N. Sato, Clarice Q.F. Leite, Heloisa S. Selstre-de-Araujo, Javier Ellena, Eduardo E. Castellano, Victor M. Deflon, Alzir A. Batista. v. 102, 1783-1789, 2008.

Compounds	Structures	MIC		Compounds	Structures	MIC	
		$\mu\text{g/mL}$	μM			$\mu\text{g/mL}$	μM
Free Phosphines and Dimines Ligands							
dppb		>50	>117,2	[Ru(SpymMe ₂)(dppb)(bipy)]PF ₆		0,78	0,80
Bipy		25	160,10	[Ru(SpymMe ₂)(dppb)(Me-bipy)]PF ₆		0,78	0,78
Me-Bipy		25	135,70	cis-[RuCl ₂ (dppb)(bipy)]		3,90	5,17
SpymMe2		25	178,30	cis-[RuCl ₂ (dppb)(Me-bipy)]		6,25	7,99

METAL IONS
 Novel Iron Complexes with quinoxaline N¹, N⁴ - dioxide derivatives: synthesis, characterization and Antimicrobial Activity
 M. Belén Tarallo, Carolina Urquijo, Antonia Monge, Fernando R. Pavan, Clarice Q.F. Leite, María H. Torre, Dinorah Gambino, John Libbey Euretzi, Paris. v. 10, 867-872, 2008.

Compounds	Structures	REMA		IS
		MIC ($\mu\text{g/mL}$)		
Iron Complexes with quinoxaline N ¹ , N ⁴ - dioxide derivatives				
Fe(II) - L1		3.9	125	32
Fe(III) - L1		7.8	156	20
Fe(III) - L2		3.9	156	40
Ligand				

AOA
 Research of new mixed-chelate copper complex with quinoxaline N¹,N⁴-dioxide derivatives and alanine as ligands, potential antimicrobial agents
 M. Belén Tarallo, Antonia J. Costa-Filho, Ernani D. Vieira, Antonia Monge, Clarice Q.F. Leite, Fernando R. Pavan, Graciela Barthagaray, Dinorah Gambino, María H. Torre. "in press", 2009.

Compounds	Structures	REMA	
		MIC ($\mu\text{g/mL}$)	
mixed-chelate copper complex with quinoxaline N ¹ ,N ⁴ -dioxide derivatives and alanine as ligands			
CuL1ala		7.8	
CuL2ala		7.8	
CuL3ala		7.8	
Ligand			

METAL IONS

Synthesis and anti-*Mycobacterium tuberculosis* activity of Vanadium complexes with N,N,O-donor ligands

Pedro I. da S. Maia, Victor M. Deffon, Fernando R. Pavan, Clarice Q.F. Leite, Claudia C. Gatto, Sebastião S. Lemos, Alzir A. Batista. *John Libbey Eurotext, Paris; v. 10, 197-203, 2008.*

Compounds	Structures	REMA (MIC)	
		(µg/mL)	
Hidrazones, Semicarbazones and Vanadium Complexes			
Hapbh		1.9	1.9
[VO ₂ (apbh)]		0.97	1.9
Hapah		15,6	1.9
[VO ₂ (apah)]		7.8	1.9

POLYHEDRON

Vanadium complexes with thiosemicarbazones: Synthesis, characterization, crystal structures and anti-*Mycobacterium tuberculosis* activity

Pedro I. da S. Maia, Fernando R. Pavan, Clarice Q.F. Leite, Sebastião S. Lemos, Gerimário F. de Sousa, Alzir A. Batista, Otacir R. Nascimento, Javier Ellena, Eduardo E. Castellano, Elke Niquet, Victor M. Deffon. *v. 20, 398-406, 2009.*

Compounds	Structures		REMA(MIC)	
	Ligands	Complexes	µg/mL	
Thiosemicarbazones and Vanadium Complexes				
Haptsct			31.3	156
[VO ₂ (aptsct)]			31.3	19.5
Happtsc			16.6	3,9
VO(acac)(apptsc)			1.6	3,9
Hapmtsc			7.8	1.9
[VO ₂ (apmtsc)]			3.9	1.9

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