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Potent trifluoromethoxy, trifluoromethylsulfonyl, trifluoromethylthio and pentafluorosulfanyl containing (1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl)benzamides against drugresistant Gram-positive bacteria

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I. Chemistry:

General Considerations: unless noted otherwise, all reagents and solvents were purchased from commercial sources and used as received. The ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were obtained in DMSO- d_6 as solvent using a 500 MHz or 800 MHz spectrometer with Me₄Si as an internal standard. Chemical shifts are reported in parts per million (δ) and are calibrated using residual non-deuterated solvent as an internal reference. Data for ¹H NMR spectra are reported as follows: chemical shift (δ ppm) (multiplicity, coupling constant (Hz), integration). Multiplicities are reported as follows: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet, or combinations thereof. High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were obtained using electron spray ionization (ESI) technique and as TOF mass analyzer. New compounds were characterized by ¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR, and HRMS data.

General Procedure for the Synthesis of Compounds 1-17.

A 20 mL screw caped vial, charged with the corresponding acid (0.5 mmol), amine (0.5 mmol), BOP reagent (1.4 mmol) and diisopropylethylamine (13 mmol) in DMF solvent (3 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 16 h. After completion, the reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure, followed by flash column chromatography (hexanes:ethyl acetate 80:20 to 60:40) give the desired product.

N-(5-(Thiophen-2-yl)-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl)benzamide (1):



Off-white solid (80 mg, 36%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 12.13 (s, 1H), 8.01 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.92 (dd, J = 5.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (dd, J = 3.7, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (dd, J = 5.0, 3.7 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 167.8, 165.7, 157.9, 133.4, 132.7, 131.6, 130.2, 129.2, 129.1, 128.8, 124.8. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₃H₁₀N₃O₂S [M + H]⁺ 272.0494, found 272.0496.

4-Cyano-N-(5-(thiophen-2-yl)-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl)benzamide (2):



Off-white solid (75 mg, 37%).¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 8.15 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 8.03 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.93 (dd, J = 5.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (dd, J = 3.7, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (dd, J = 5.0, 3.7 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (201 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 164.8, 157.7, 137.0, 133.0, 131.6, 130.3, 129.5, 129.1, 124.5, 118.5, 115.4. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₄H₉N₄O₂S [M + H]⁺ 297.0440, found 297.0440.

4-Nitro-N-(5-(thiophen-2-yl)-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl)benzamide (3):



Off-white solid (82 mg, 43%).¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 8.37 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 8.24 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.94 (dd, J = 5.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, J = 3.7 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (dd, J = 5.0, 3.7 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 163.8, 162.8, 158.0, 150.3, 138.7, 131.8, 130.4, 129.2, 127.7, 124.6, 124.1. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₃H₉N₄O₄S [M + H]⁺ 317.0339, found 317.0339.

4-Fluoro-N-(5-(thiophen-2-yl)-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl)benzamide (4):



Off-white solid (63 mg, 31%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 8.12 – 8.07 (m, 2H), 7.92 (dd, J = 5.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (dd, J = 3.7, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (t, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (dd, J = 5.0, 3.7 Hz, 1H). ¹³C

NMR (126 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 166.3 (d, J = 252 Hz), 164.4, 157.9, 131.8, 131.7, 131.6, 130.2, 129.2, 124.7, 116.3, 116.1. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₃H₉FN₃O₂S [M + H]⁺ 290.0400, found 290.0401.

N-(5-(Thiophen-2-yl)-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzamide (5):



Off-white solid (55 mg, 31%).¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 8.21 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.97 – 7.90 (m, 3H), 7.76 (dd, J = 3.7, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (dd, J = 5.0, 3.7 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 165.2, 157.9, 157.5, 136.9, 132.9 (q, J = 31.5 Hz), 131.7, 130.3, 129.7, 129.20, 126.07, 125.31, 124.62 (q, J = 273.4 Hz). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₄H₉F₃N₃O₂S [M + H]⁺ 340.0364, found 340.0362.

N-(5-(Thiophen-2-yl)-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl)-4 (trifluoromethyl)sulfonyl)benzamide (6):



Off-white solid (40 mg, 25%).¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 8.39 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 8.32 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.94 (dd, J = 5.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.82 – 7.75 (m, 1H), 7.29 (dd, J = 5.0, 3.7 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 165.7, 158.3, 156.9, 141.7, 133.0, 131.8, 131.6, 130.9, 130.4, 129.2, 124.5, 123.7 (q, J = 326.3 Hz). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₄H₉F₃N₃O₄S₂ [M + H]⁺ 403.9980, found 403.9981.

4-(1H-Pyrazol-1-yl)-N-(5-(thiophen-2-yl)-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl)benzamide (7):



Off-white solid (57 mg, 32%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 8.67 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 8.17 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 8.05 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.94 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (s, 1H), 7.77 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (t, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 166.3, 158.1, 157.8, 143.1, 142.5, 131.6, 130.5, 130.1, 129.2, 128.8, 124.8, 118.3, 109.2. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₆H₁₂N₅O₂S [M + H]⁺ 338.0706, found 338.0709.

4-(Difluoromethoxy)-N-(5-(thiophen-2-yl)-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl)benzamide (8):



Off-white solid (33 mg, 18%).¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 12.17 (s, 1H), 8.11 – 8.06 (m, 2H), 7.92 (dd, J = 5.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (dd, J = 3.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.29 – 7.26 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (201 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 164.9, 157.9, 154.8, 131.6, 131.2, 130.2, 129.3, 129.2, 124.7, 118.4, 116.4 (t, J = 258.3 Hz). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₄H₁₀F₂N₃O₃S [M + H]⁺ 338.0408, found 338.0406.

4-((Difluoromethyl)thio)-*N*-(5-(thiophen-2-yl)-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl)benzamide (9):



Off-white solid (53 mg, 30%).¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 8.21 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 8.10 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.93 (dd, J = 5.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (dd, J = 3.7, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (dd, J = 5.0, 3.7 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (201 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 165.0, 157.6, 157.2, 133.2, 131.4, 131.0, 129.6, 129.2, 128.6, 124.2, 120.7 (t, J = 273.4 Hz). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₃H₉F₅N₃O₂S₂ [M + H]⁺ 398.0053, found 398.0051.

4-(Methylthio)-N-(5-(thiophen-2-yl)-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl)benzamide (14):



Off-white solid (37 mg, 20%).¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 7.93 (dq, J = 12.6, 7.6 Hz, 3H), 7.75 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.42 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.29 – 7.25 (m, 1H), 2.53 (d, J = 11.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 164.8, 158.0, 145.7, 131.6, 130.1, 129.3, 129.2, 128.4, 125.3, 124.8, 14.4. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₄H₁₂N₃O₂S₂ [M + H]⁺ 318.0371, found 318.0371.

N-(5-(Thiophen-2-yl)-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl)-4-(trifluoromethoxy)benzamide (11):



Off-white solid (30 mg, 17%).¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 12.28 (s, 1H), 8.14 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.93 (dd, J = 5.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, J = 3.7 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (dd, J = 5.0, 3.7 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 164.9, 157.9, 157.6, 151.8, 132.0, 131.6, 131.3, 130.2, 129.2, 124.7, 121.4 (q, J = 258.3 Hz), 121.2. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₄H₁₀F₃N₃O₃S [M + H]⁺ 356.0313, found 356.0311.

N-(5-(Thiophen-2-yl)-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl)-4-((trifluoromethyl)thio)benzamide (12):



Off-white solid (46 mg, 28%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 8.12 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.75 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (dd, *J* = 5.0, 3.7 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 165.3, 157.9, 157.5, 136.2, 135.6, 131.7, 131.1 (q, *J* = 308.7 Hz), 130.2, 130.1, 129.2, 128.5, 124.7. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₄H₉F₃N₃O₂S₂ [M + H]⁺ 372.0084, found 372.0082.

4-(Pentafluoro- sulfanyl)-*N*-(5-(thiophen-2-yl)-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl)benzamide (13):



Off-white solid (56 mg, 35%).¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 8.21 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 8.10 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.93 (dd, J = 5.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (dd, J = 3.7, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (dd, J = 5.0, 3.7 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 165.0, 158.0, 157.3, 155.7, 136.8, 131.7, 130.3, 130.0, 129.2, 126.7, 124.6. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₃H₉F₅N₃O₂S₂ [M + H]⁺ 398.0053, found 398.0051.

N-5-(Thiophen-2-yl)-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)thiophene-2-carboxamide (14):



Off-white solid (62 mg, 35%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 8.09 (s, 1H), 7.93 (dd, *J* = 5.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.84 – 7.81 (m, 1H), 7.80 – 7.72 (m, 1H), 7.28 (dd, *J* = 5.0, 3.7 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (201 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 161.0, 157.9, 143.2, 134.9 (q, *J* = 39 Hz), 131.8, 131.5, 131.3, 131.2, 130.4, 129.1, 124.4, 123.0 (q, *J* = 269.6 Hz). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₂H₇F₃N₃O₂S₂ [M + H]⁺ 345.9926, found 345.9924.

N-(5-(Thiophen-2-yl)-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)picolinamide (15):



Off-white solid (33 mg, 19%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 12.35 (s, 1H), 9.14 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 8.52 (dd, J = 8.3, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 8.33 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (dd, J = 5.0, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (dd, J = 3.7, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (dd, J = 5.0, 3.7 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 162.6, 158.6, 157.0, 152.0, 146.2, 136.5, 131.9, 130.4, 129.2, 128.8 (q, J = 32.7 Hz), 124.8 (q, J = 274.6 Hz), 124.6, 124.1. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₃H₈F₃N₄O₂S [M + H]⁺ 341.0315, found 341.0315.

N-(5-(Thiophen-2-yl)-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl)-6-(trifluoromethyl)picolinamide (16):



Off-white solid (47 mg, 27%).¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 9.41 (s, 1H), 9.20 (s, 1H), 8.75 (s, 1H), 7.96 – 7.91 (m, 1H), 7.76 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.29 – 7.26 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 164.1, 157.8, 157.0, 153.6, 149.8, 133.8, 131.8, 130.3, 129.2, 129.1, 125.5 (q, *J* = 32.7 Hz), 124.8 (q, *J* = 274.6 Hz), 124.5. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₃H₈F₃N₄O₂S [M + H]⁺ 341.0315, found 341.0314.

N-(5-(Thiophen-2-yl)-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazole-5-carboxamide (17):



Off-white solid (52 mg, 28%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 7.94 – 7.92 (m, 1H), 7.75 (dd, *J* = 3.7, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.61 – 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.28 (dd, *J* = 5.0, 3.7 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 163.8, 157.1, 142.1 (q, *J* = 36.5 Hz), 131.8, 130.3, 129.2, 127.7, 122.7 (q, *J* = 269.6 Hz), 118.4, 106.1. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₁H₇F₃N₅O₂S [M + H]⁺ 330.0267, found 330.0266.

II. Biological Analysis of Analogs

Experimental Procedures:

Bacterial strains, media, cell lines and reagents

Clinical isolates used in this study (**Table 1S**) were obtained from the Biodefense and Emerging Infections Research Resources Repository (BEI Resources) and the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC). Cation-adjusted Mueller Hinton broth, tryptic soy broth (TSB) and tryptic soy agar (TSA) were purchased from Becton, Dickinson and Company (Cockeysville, MD, USA). Human colorectal adenocarcinoma epithelial cells (Caco-2) (ATCC HTB-37), and murine macrophage cells (J774) (ATCC TIB-67) were obtained from the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC) (Manassas, VA, USA). Dulbecco's Modified Eagle Medium (DMEM), fetal bovine serum (FBS) and phosphate-buffered saline (PBS) was purchased from Corning (Manassas, VA, USA). Single donor human red blood cells (RBCs) were purchased from Innovative Research (MI, USA). Linezolid (Chem-Impex International, Wood Dale, IL, USA) and vancomycin hydrochloride (Gold Biotechnology, St. Louis, MO, USA) were purchased from commercial sources.

Screening of compounds for antibacterial activity against S. aureus

An overnight culture of *S. aureus* was diluted in Cation-adjusted Mueller–Hinton broth (CAMHB) and further incubated to reach the early exponential phase. Bacterial aliquots were subsequently incubated with compounds at 16 μ g/mL at 37°C for 24h. Afterwards, the OD₆₀₀ was measured and percent normalized OD₆₀₀ was obtained by using the equation:

%Normalized
$$OD_{600} = \left(\frac{X - X_o}{X_T - X_o}\right) \times 100$$

Where for a given compound, X is the OD_{600} of culture with the compound, X_o is that of media only and X_T is the OD_{600} of the DMSO control.

Determination of the MICs and MBCs against clinically-important Gram-positive bacteria The broth microdilution method was utilized to test the antibacterial activity of the new (1,3,4oxadiazol-2-yl)benzamides against a panel of clinically-important Gram-positive bacteria according to the guidelines outlined by the Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute (CLSI)¹. Bacterial strains were grown aerobically overnight on tryptic soy agar (TSA) plates at 37° C. Afterwards, a bacterial solution equivalent to 0.5 McFarland standard was prepared and diluted in CAMHB to achieve a bacterial concentration of about 5×10^5 CFU/mL and seeded in 96-well plates. Compounds and control drugs were added in the first row of the 96-well plates and serially diluted along the plates. Plates were then incubated aerobically at 37° C for 18-20 hours. MICs reported are the minimum concentration of the compounds and control drugs that completely inhibited the visual growth of bacteria. The minimum bactericidal concentration (MBC) was tested by spotting 4 µL from wells with no growth onto TSA plates. Plates were incubated at 37 °C for at least 18 hours before recording the MBC. The MBC was categorized as the lowest concentration that reduced bacterial growth by 99.9%.

In vitro cytotoxicity analysis of compounds 6, 11, 12 and 13 against human colorectal and murine macrophage cells.

Compounds **6**, **11**, **12** and **13** were assayed for potential cytotoxicity against a human colorectal adenocarcinoma (Caco-2) cell line, and murine macrophage (J774) cells, as described previously^{2,3}. Briefly, tested compounds were incubated with caco-2 cells for 2 hours, and with J774 cells for 24 hours. Then, cells were incubated with MTS 3-(4,5-dimethylthiazol-2-yl)-5-(3-carboxymethoxyphenyl)-2-(4-sulfophenyl)-2H-tetrazolium) reagent for 4 hours before measuring absorbance values (OD₄₉₀).

Hemolysis assay

Hemolysis assay was performed following the procedure described previously⁴. Briefly, single donor human red blood cells (RBCs) (Innovative Research, MI, USA) suspension was prepared at the concentration of 5% v/v in phosphate buffered saline (PBS). Afterwards, compounds (in triplicate) were serially diluted in PBS and incubated with RBCs suspension at 37°C for 60 minutes. For the negative and positive controls, PBS and Triton-X were used respectively. Afterwards, the mixture was centrifuged at 4,000 rpm for 5 min. The supernatant was aliquoted into 96-well plates and absorbance at 540 nm was read. Percent hemolysis was obtained using the following equation:

 $Percent \ hemolysis = 100 \times \frac{(Absorbance \ of \ sample - Absorbance \ of \ negative \ control)}{(Absorbance \ of \ positive \ control - Absorbance \ of \ negative \ control)}$

Time-kill kinetics analysis

The time-kill analysis was performed as previously described⁵. MRSA ATCC 33592 cells in logarithmic growth phase were diluted to 2.92×10^6 colony-forming units per mL (CFU/mL) and exposed to concentrations equivalent to $3 \times MIC$ (in triplicate) of compounds **6**, **11**, **12**, or **13**, linezolid or vancomycin in tryptic soy broth (TSB). Aliquots (100 µL) were collected from each treatment after 0, 2, 4, 8, 12, and 24 hours of incubation at 37 °C and subsequently serially diluted in PBS. Bacteria were then transferred to TSA plates and incubated at 37 °C for 18-20 hours before viable CFU/mL was determined.

Intracellular infection of J774 cells with MRSA and treatment with compounds 6 and 12. The ability of compounds 6, 12 and vancomycin (at 8 and 16 μ g/mL) to reduce the burden of intracellular MRSA USA400 inside murine macrophage (J774) cells was evaluated as described earlier^{6,7}. In brief, murine macrophage cells (J774) were cultured in Dulbecco's Modified Eagle Medium (DMEM) supplemented with 10% fetal bovine serum (FBS) at 37°C with CO₂ (5%). J774 cells were exposed to MRSA USA400 cells at a multiplicity of infection of approximately 10:1. After 1 hour of infection, J774 cells were washed with gentamicin to kill extracellular MRSA. The compounds or vancomycin (at 8 and 16 μ g/mL) were subsequently added to each well (in triplicate). Control cells received DMSO at a concentration equal to that in drug-treated cell samples. After 24 hours incubation at 37°C with 5% CO₂, the test agents were removed.

J774 cells were washed and subsequently lysed using 0.1% Triton-X. The solution was serially diluted in PBS and transferred to TSA plates in order to determine viable MRSA CFU inside the J774 cells. Plates were incubated at 37°C for 18-22 hour before counting viable CFU/mL. Statistical significance was assessed with two-way ANOVA, with post hoc Dunnet's multiple comparisons test (P < 0.05), utilizing GraphPad Prism 6.0 (GraphPad Software, La Jolla, CA).

Synergistic interactions of (1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl)benzamides with standard antibiotics

Fractional inhibitory concentration index (Σ FICI) was calculated for each interaction. The checkerboard assay^{8,9} was used to determine antibiotics-compounds interactions against MRSA ATCC 33592. Four antibiotics (methicillin, vancomycin, linezolid and daptomycin) were tested in combination with compounds **6**, **11**, **12** and **13**. The Σ FICI was calculated for each combination as follows:

FICI _{compound} = MIC of 6, 11, 12, or 13 in combination/MIC of 6, 11, 12, or 13 alone

FICI antibiotic = MIC of antibiotic in combination/MIC of antibiotic alone

The cumulative FICI (\sum FICI) was then calculated as: \sum FICI = FICI _{compound} + FICI _{antibiotic}

Interactions where the Σ FICI was ≤ 0.5 were categorized as synergistic (SYN). An Σ FICI of >0.5-1.25 was categorized as additive (ADD). Σ FICI of >1.25-4 was considered as indifference (IND), while Σ FICI values of > 4 were categorized as antagonistic¹⁰.

Bacterial isolates	Isolation	Description
Staphylococcus aureus	Clinical isolate	Quality control strain for media
ATCC 25923		testing and susceptibility
		testing.
Staphylococcus aureus	Blood	Used in drug discovery and
ATCC 33592		emerging infectious disease
		research.
		Gentamicin-resistant.
		Methicillin-resistant.
<i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC		Host for transducing phage P1.
25404		Wild-type.
		Non-lysogenic
Pseudomonas aeruginosa	Blood culture	Quality control strain for media
ATCC 27853		testing and susceptibility
		testing.
Acinetobacter baumannii	Urine	Quality control strain for media
ATCC 19606		testing and food testing.

Table 1S. Bacteria	l isolates	used in	this	study
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Staphylococcus aureus ATCC 6538	Human lesion	Quality control strain for media testing, food testing, drug discovery and susceptibility testing.
Staphylococcus aureus NRS 107	Isolated in 1991 during an outbreak of mupirocin- resistant <i>S. aureus</i> on a dermatology ward of a university hospital in Connecticut, USA.	Resistant to mupirocin, rifampicin and novobiocin.
MRSA NRS 119	Isolated in 2001 from an 85- year-old male with dialysis- associated peritonitis in Massachusetts, USA.	Linezolid, tedizolid and methicillin -resistant
MRSA NRS382 (USA100)	Bloodstream sample in Ohio, USA	Resistant to erythromycin, clindamycin and levofloxacin. Endemic in many U.S. hospitals
MRSA NRS383 (USA200)	Bloodstream sample in North Carolina, USA	Resistant to erythromycin, clindamycin and gentamicin. The second most common health care-associated pulsed- field type in the U.S.
MRSA NRS384 (USA300)	Wound in Mississippi, USA	Community-acquired MRSA strain. Resistant to erythromycin and tetracycline.
MRSA NRS123 (USA400)	Human abscess in Michigan, 2004.	Community-associated MRSA strain.
MRSA NRS 385 (USA500)	Bloodstream sample in Connecticut, USA.	Hospital-acquired MRSA strain. Resistant to erythromycin, clindamycin, trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole, levofloxacin, gentamicin and tetracycline.
MRSA NRS 386 (USA700)	Bloodstream sample in Louisiana, USA.	Associated with infections in both community and healthcare settings. Resistant to erythromycin.
MRSA NRS 387 (USA800)	Wound in Washington, USA	Resistant to β -lactams and fluoroquinolones.
MRSA NRS 483 (USA1000)	From a wound during a 1993-1994 MRSA outbreak among high school wrestlers and the surrounding	Associated with sporadic outbreaks of community- acquired infections. Resistant to erythromycin.

	community in Vermont, USA.	
MRSA NRS 484	From wound in Alaska, USA	Associated with community-
(USA1100)	in 1996.	acquired infections.
		Resistant to β -lactams
VRSA 10	Isolated in 2009 from a	Resistant to erythromycin and
	plantar foot wound of a 53-	spectinomycin.
	year-old female in Michigan,	Positive for <i>mec</i> and <i>vanA</i> .
	USA.	Negative for <i>vanB</i> .
VRSA 12	Isolated from a foot wound	Positive for <u>vanA</u>
Staphylococcus epidermidis	From septicemic patient with	Resistant to methicillin,
NRS101	colonized intravascular	erythromycin, kanamycin,
	catheters, Tennessee, USA	gentamicin, clindamycin and
		trimethoprim.
Streptococcus pneumoniae	Cerebrospinal fluid of 13-	Cephalosporin-resistant.
ATCC 51916	month-old girl, Tennessee	Representative strain of the
		Pneumococcal Molecular
		Epidemiology Network.
Streptococcus pneumoniae	Human patient,	Resistant to methicillin,
ATCC 700677	Czechoslovakia, 1987	erythromycin, penicillin, and
		tetracycline.
Enterococcus faecalis	Peritoneal fluid, Missouri,	Resistant to vancomycin.
ATCC 51299	USA.	Sensitive to Teicoplanin.
		Positive for <u>vanB</u>
Enterococcus faecium	Human feces, Connecticut	Resistant to Vancomycin and
ATCC 700221		Teicoplanin.
		Positive for <u>vanA</u>
Listeria monocytogenes	Poultry, England	Control strain for media testing,
ATCC 19111		enteric research and food
		testing.

¹H and ¹³C NMR Spectra:









12.0 11.5 11.0 10.5 10.0 9.5 9.0 8.5 8.0 7.5 7.0 6.5 6.0 5.5 5.0 4.5 4.0 3.5 3.0 2.5 2.0 1.5 1.0 0.5 0.0 -0.5 -1.0 -1 f1 (ppm)



















GN-143.1.fid H1 standard parameters, cryoprobe prodigy.



220 210 200 190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 f1 (ppm)



9.1 9.0 8.9 8.8 8.7 8.6 8.5 8.4 8.3 8.2 8.1 8.0 7.9 7.8 7.7 7.6 7.5 7.4 7.3 7.2 7.1 7.0 6.9 6.8 6.7 6.6 6.5 6.4 6.3 6.2 6.1 6.0 5.9 5.8 5.7 5.6 5.5 5.4 5.3 f1 (ppm)







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GN-145.1.fid H1 standard parameters, cryoprobe prodigy.





GN-148.1.fid H1 standard parameters, cryoprobe prodigy.













220 210 200 190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 f1 (ppm)







12.0 11.5 11.0 10.5 10.0 9.5 9.0 8.5 8.0 7.5 7.0 6.5 6.0 5.5 5.0 4.5 4.0 3.5 3.0 2.5 2.0 1.5 1.0 0.5 0.0 -0.5 -1.0 -1 fl (ppm)

GN-170.1.fid H1 standard parameters, cryoprobe prodigy.





GN-172.1.fid H1 standard parameters, cryoprobe prodigy.



GN-184.1.fid H1 standard parameters, cryoprobe prodigy.

















12.0 11.5 11.0 10.5 10.0 9.5 9.0 8.5 8.0 7.5 7.0 6.5 6.0 5.5 5.0 4.5 4.0 3.5 3.0 2.5 2.0 1.5 1.0 0.5 0.0 -0.5 -1.0 -1 fl (ppm)

GN-183.1.fid H1 standard parameters, cryoprobe prodigy.



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