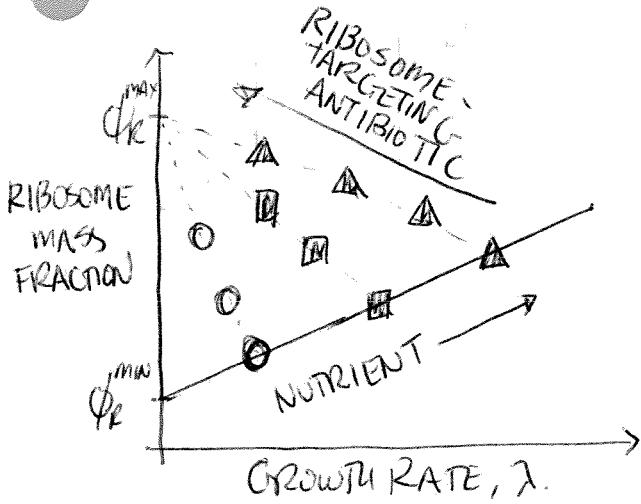


# INTERFACING MECHANISTIC MODELS WITH HOST PHYSIOLOGY.

PREVIOUSLY, WE DISCUSSED HOW RIBOSOME ABUNDANCE IS AFFECTED BY THE GROWTH STATE OF THE BACTERIUM:



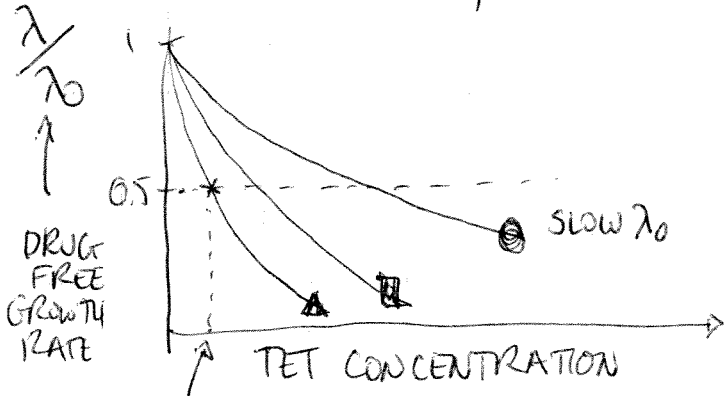
MANY ANTIBIOTICS TARGET RIBOSOMES. QUESTION: IF THE TARGET EXHIBITS STRONG GROWTH DEPENDENCE, THEN HOW DOES THIS AFFECT SUSCEPTIBILITY?

eg. DO FASTER GROWING CELLS (ie. VIRULENT INFECTIONS) REQUIRE HIGHER OR LOWER DOSES COMPARED WITH SLOW GROWING CELLS?

EMPIRICALLY, THE SUSCEPTIBILITY DOES EXHIBIT GROWTH DEPENDENCE. A USEFUL MEASURE IS THE HALF-INHIBITION CONCENTRATION  $IC_{50}$ :

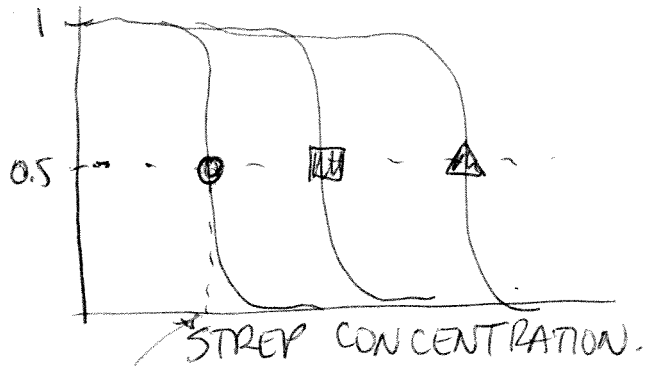
BOTH TARGET 30S, CLOSE TO A-SITE.

TETRACYCLINE



$IC_{50}$  FOR  $\blacktriangle$  (FAST GROWER) (FAST  $\lambda_0$ )

STREPTOMYCIN



$IC_{50}$  FOR  $\circ$  (SLOW GROWER) (SLOW  $\lambda_0$ )

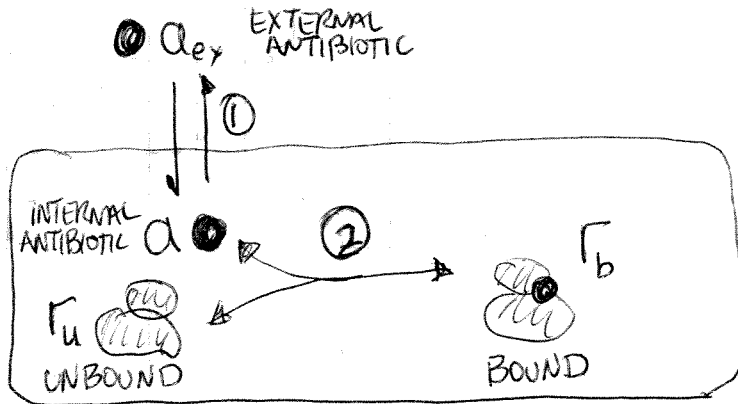
BOTH ANTIBIOTICS TARGET THE RIBOSOME, BUT FOR TETRACYCLINE

- $IC_{50}$  DECREASES WITH INCREASING  $\lambda_0$
- INHIBITION CURVES ARE HYPERBOLIC

STREPTOMYCIN

- $IC_{50}$  INCREASES WITH INCREASING  $\lambda_0$
- INHIBITION CURVES ARE SIGMOIDAL.

# SIMPLE MODEL:



1. TRANSPORT.

$$J(a, a_{ex}) = P_{in} a_{ex} - P_{out} a$$

2. BINDING

$$k_{on} r_u a - k_{off} r_b$$

DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS FOR CONCENTRATIONS:

$$\frac{da}{dt} = -\lambda a - k_{on} r_u a + k_{off} r_b + J(a, a_{ex})$$

$$\frac{dr_u}{dt} = -\lambda r_u - k_{on} r_u a + k_{off} r_b + s(\lambda)$$

$$\frac{dr_b}{dt} = \underbrace{-\lambda r_b}_{\text{DILUTION}} + \underbrace{k_{on} r_u a - k_{off} r_b}_{\text{BINDING}}$$

RIBOSOME  
SYNTHESIS  
RATE.

WHAT WE WANT IS THE INHIBITION CURVES  $\lambda(a_{ex})$ . WE HAVE THREE EQUATIONS, BUT FOUR UNKNOWNNS  $a, r_u, r_b$  &  $\lambda$

QUESTION:

1. WHAT IS THE SYNTUESIS RATE  $s(\lambda)$ ?
2. HOW DO WE "CLOSE" THE SYSTEM; i.e. WHAT IS THE MISSING EQUATION TO OBTAIN  $\lambda(a_{ex})$ ?

\* GREULICH, SCOTT, EVANS & ALLEN (2015) MOLECULAR SYSTEMS BIOLOGY II: 796

THE ANSWER TO BOTH COMES FROM THE "GROWTH LAWS" RELATING RIBOSOME ABUNDANCE TO GROWTH RATE!

# 1. WHAT IS THE SYNTHESIS RATE $S(\lambda)$ ?

LOOK AT TOTAL TARGET CONCENTRATION  $r_u + r_b = r_{TOT}$

$$\frac{dr_u}{dt} = -\lambda r_u - k_{on} r_u a + k_{off} r_b + S(\lambda)$$

$$+ \frac{dr_b}{dt} = -\lambda r_b + k_{on} r_u a - k_{off} r_b$$

$$\frac{d(r_{TOT})}{dt} = -\lambda (r_{TOT}) + S(\lambda) \leftarrow \text{IN STEADY-STATE, SYNTHESIS MUST BALANCE DILUTION VIA GROWTH}$$

AT STEADY-STATE  $S(\lambda) = \lambda r_{TOT}$  BUT WE KNOW  $r_{TOT} = r^{max} - \frac{\lambda}{k_n}$

$$S(\lambda) = \lambda \left[ r^{max} - \frac{\lambda}{k_n} \right]$$

"GROWTH LAW"  
UNDER TRANSLATION-INHIBITION.  
 $k_n$  SETS DRUG-FREE GROWTH RATE  $\lambda_0$ .

# 2. HOW TO CLOSE THE SYSTEM?

IN STEADY-STATE, GROWTH RATE  $\lambda$  SYNONYMOUS WITH PROTEIN-SYNTHESIS RATE:  $\lambda = k_t \cdot r_u$

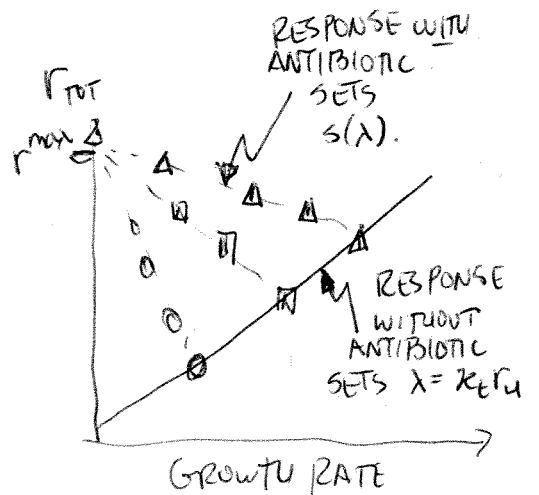
OUR STEADY-STATE SYSTEM IS:

$$0 = -\lambda a - k_{on} r_u a + k_{off} r_b + J(a, a_{ex})$$

$$0 = -\lambda r_u - k_{on} r_u a + k_{off} r_b + S(\lambda; \lambda_0)$$

$$0 = -\lambda r_b + k_{on} r_u a - k_{off} r_b$$

$$\lambda = k_t r_u$$



IN THIS WAY, OUR MECHANISTIC MODEL IS CONSISTENT WITH GROWTH LAW CONSTRAINTS!

THE RESULT IS A CUBIC EQUATION FOR  $(\lambda/\lambda_0)$  AS A FUNCTION OF ANTIBIOTIC  $a_{ex}$

$$0 = \left(\frac{\lambda}{\lambda_0}\right)^3 - \left(\frac{\lambda}{\lambda_0}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\lambda}{\lambda_0}\right) \left[ \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{\lambda_0^*}{\lambda_0}\right)^2 + \frac{a_{ex}}{2IC_{50}^*} \left(\frac{\lambda_0^*}{\lambda_0}\right) \right] - \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{\lambda_0^*}{\lambda_0}\right)^2$$

$\lambda_0^*$  AND  $IC_{50}^*$  ARE NON-DIMENSIONALIZING PARAMETERS.

$$IC_{50}^* = \frac{r_{max} \lambda_0^*}{2 P_{in}}$$

CONCENTRATION

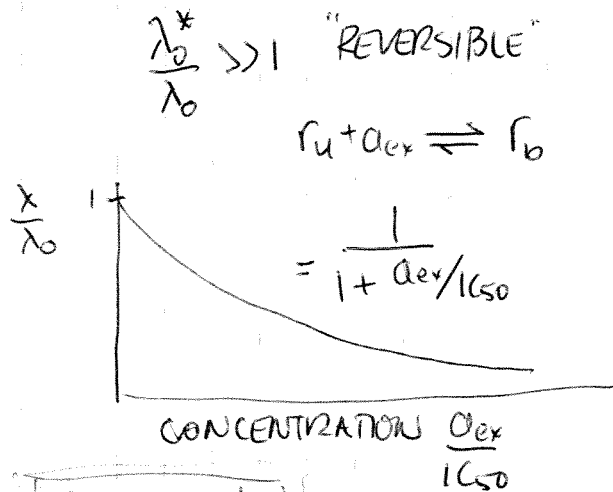
$$\lambda_0^* = 2 \sqrt{P_{out} z_t K_D}$$

RATE

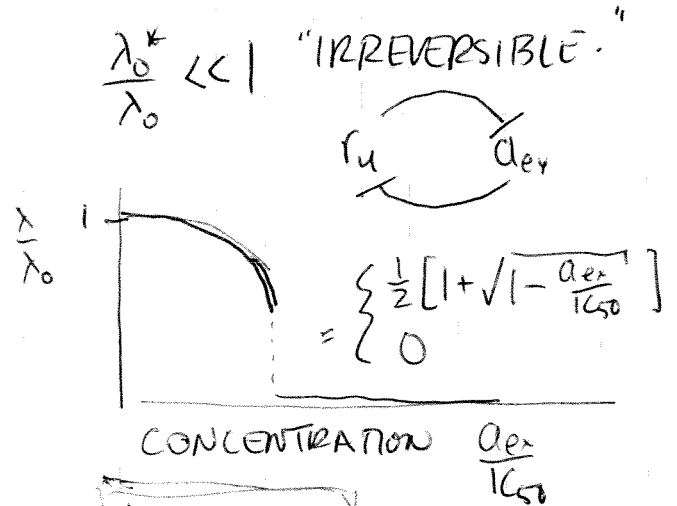
$K_D = k_{off}/k_{on}$

$P_{in}$ ,  $P_{out}$  &  $K_D$  ARE CHEMICAL PROPERTIES OF ANTIBIOTIC  
 $r_{max}$  &  $z_t$  ARE PHYSIOLOGICAL PROPERTIES OF PATHOGEN  
 $\lambda_0$  IS ENV VIRULENCE MEASURE OF INFECTION

LOOK AT SOME LIMITS:



$$IC_{50} \propto \frac{1}{\lambda_0}$$



$$IC_{50} \propto \lambda_0$$

TAKE HOME SIMPLE MECHANISTIC MODEL OF BINDING/TRANSPORT CAN EXPLAIN ~~THE~~ GROWTH-DEPENDENT SUSCEPTIBILITY ONCE IT IS MADE CONSISTENT WITH GROWTH LAW CONSTRAINTS.