



ArrePath

A new path to combatting AMR through antibiotics with novel MoAs



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Executive Summary



Novelty and know-how

ArrePath is integrating machine learning approaches to produce better starting-points for finding antibiotics with novel MoAs



Validated Platform, Pipeline, and Strategy

Our discovery platform already yielded novel broad-spectrum resistance-resistant antibiotic leads with *in vivo* activity

Future plans: develop existing leads and apply the platform to proprietary libraries to ID more novel leads



Leadership

ArrePath is founded by prominent microbiologists and drug hunters with strong track records



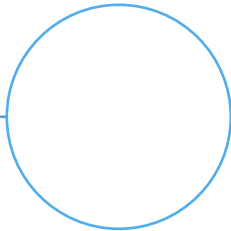
Fundraising

ArrePath is raising a Seed Round of \$12M led by BIVF

The ArrePath Team

Management & Research

TBD
CEO/CSO



- Experienced person is being identified and engaged
- Candidate has multiple years of antibiotic drug discovery and management experience in Pharma and Biotech
- Candidate also has expertise in the economic and regulatory aspects of the antibiotics industry

Founder & SAB Chair

Zemer Gitai
PhD



- Conklin Distinguished Professor, Department of Molecular Biology, Princeton University
- Leading expert in antibiotics and bacterial biology
- Awards include Beckman Young Investigator Award, NIH New Innovator Award, and NIH Director's Pioneer Award

Lead Investor

Boehringer Ingelheim
Venture Fund



- Strategic venture fund of the Boehringer Ingelheim Corporation, whose strategic focus areas include AMR
- Limited Partner of >\$1B AMR Action Fund
- Evergreen fund with €500 under management
- Proven expertise in building and shaping startups and bringing drugs to the clinic
- Boehringer family owned with a strategic long-term vision

We defined a Target Product Profile for the ideal antibiotic and addressed the industry's main bottleneck

Ideal antibiotic TPP

- ❑ Broad-spectrum, including Gram-negative bacteria
- ❑ Kill existing multi-drug-resistant strains
- ❑ Novel mechanism of action
- ❑ Not resistance-prone
- ❑ Not toxic (effective *in vivo*)

Traditional pipeline

Potency

Toxicity

Species Spectrum

Resistance

MoA

ArrePath's innovation

Novel MoA

Toxicity

Resistance

Potency

Species Spectrum

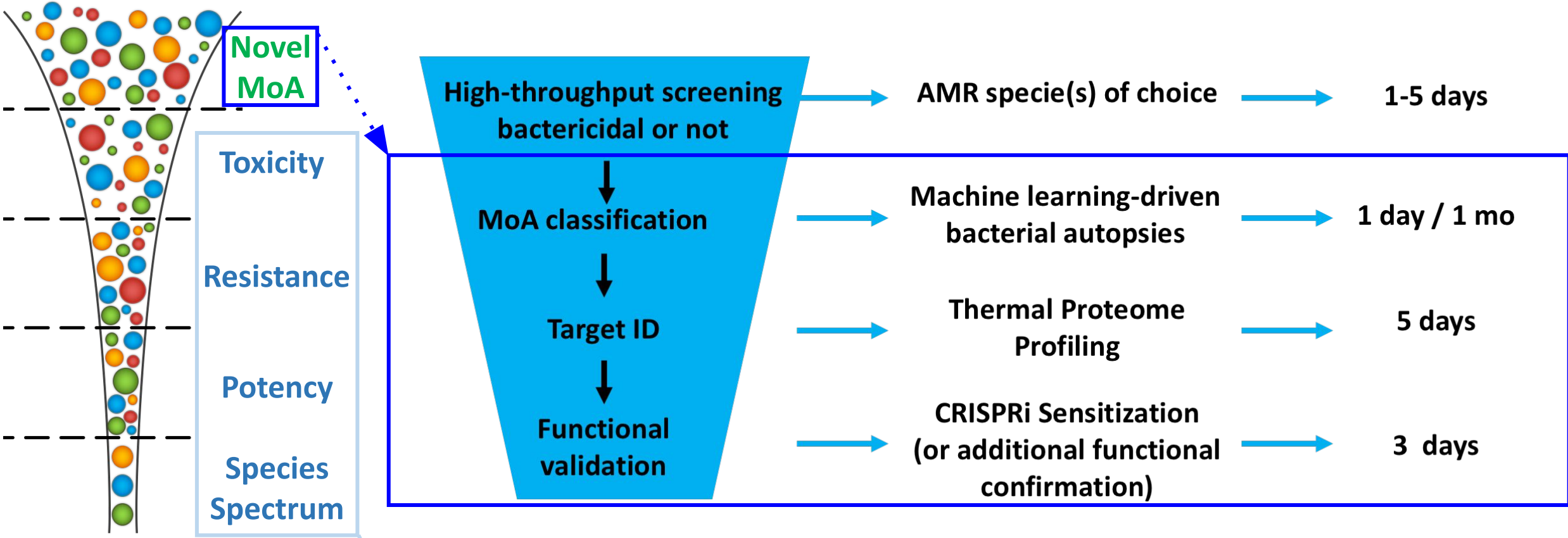
AI-based tech
rapid ID of novel leads

SAR
building upon novel MoAs

Arrepath's Platform for Rapid Identification of Novel MoA Antibiotics against AMR Pathogens

ArrePath's platform includes innovations to make every step of deconvoluting phenotypic screen hits rapid & quantitative

Throughput (based on 32K library)



ArrePath has developed similar innovations for all other pipeline steps

Bacterial autopsies (imaging + ML) enable rapid identification of antibiotics with unique MoAs

Clustering away from known antibiotics indicates a novel mechanism of action

High-throughput
screening

MoA
classification

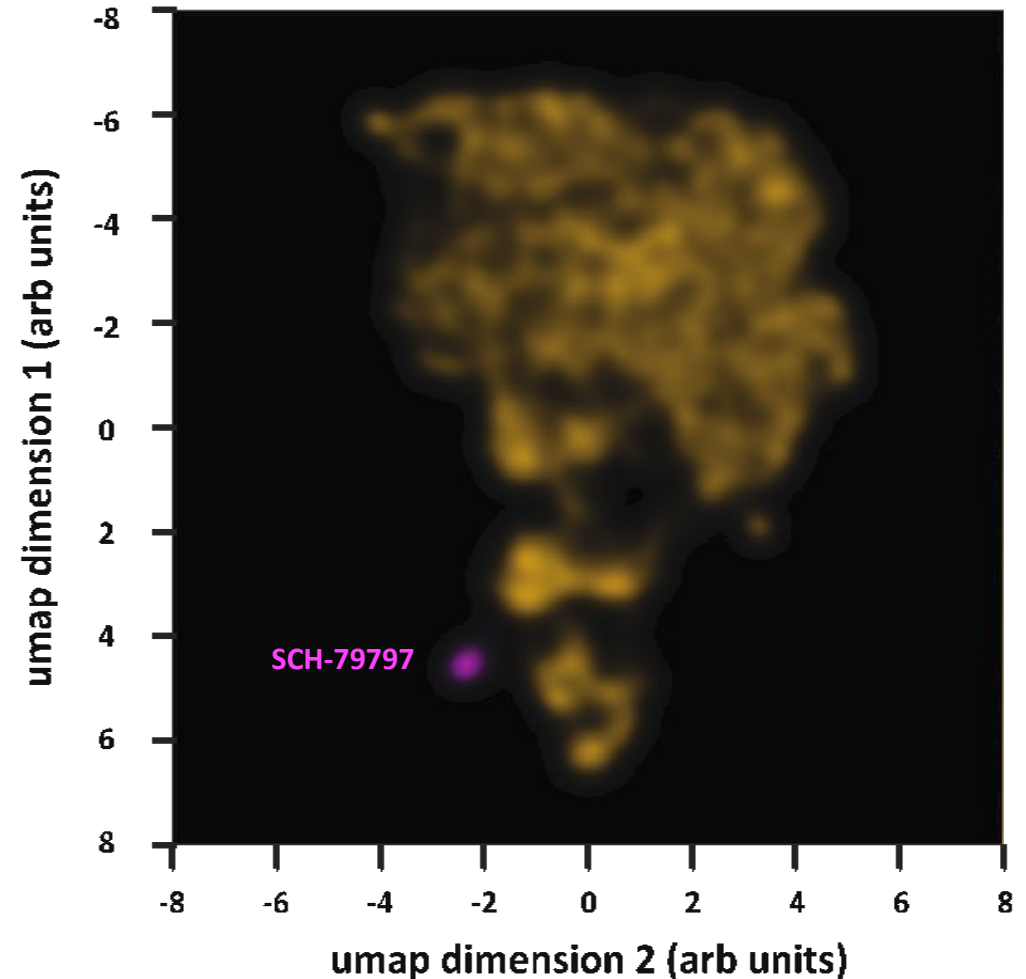
Target
ID

Function
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validati
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Instead of measuring growth,
we take movies of how the
bacteria die

Use computer vision to extract
14 parameters from the movies

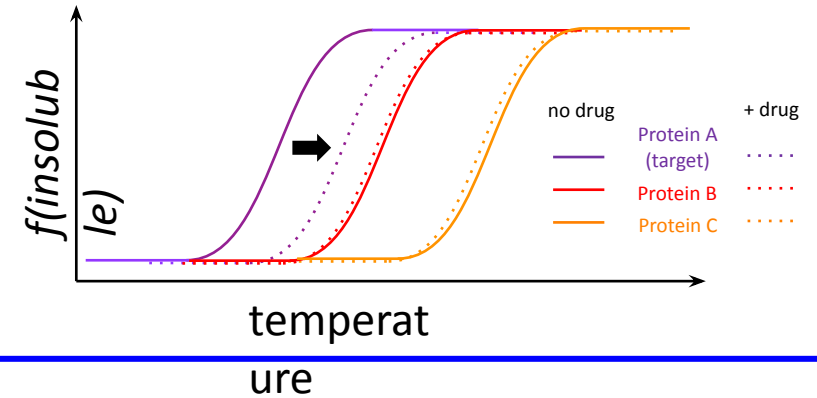
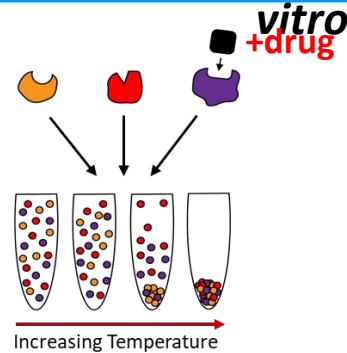
Use machine learning to
compare the “death
trajectories” of our new
antibiotics to those of all known
antibiotics



Rapid target ID and functional validation with novel toolboxes

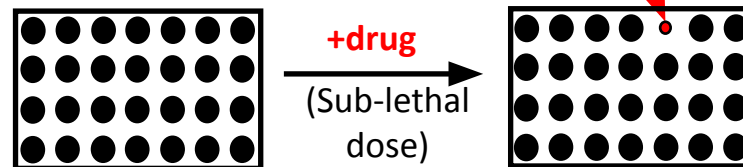
Thermal Proteome Profiling uses Proteomics to identify direct binding targets *in vitro*

Small molecule binding thermally stabilizes proteins. That thermal shift can be detected by MS.

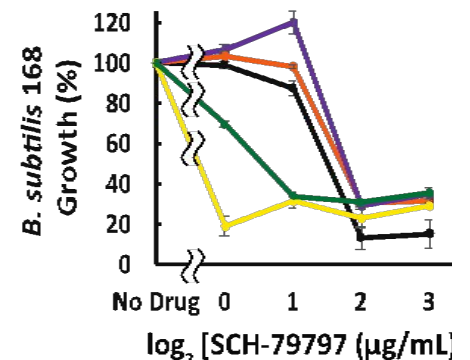


CRISPRi Sensitization validates functional drug-target interactions *in vivo*

CRISPRi Library reduces the levels of each essential gene 3X. Reducing target levels sensitizes bacteria to drug treatment.



no sgRNA folC glyA dfrA fold



High-throughput screening

MoA classification

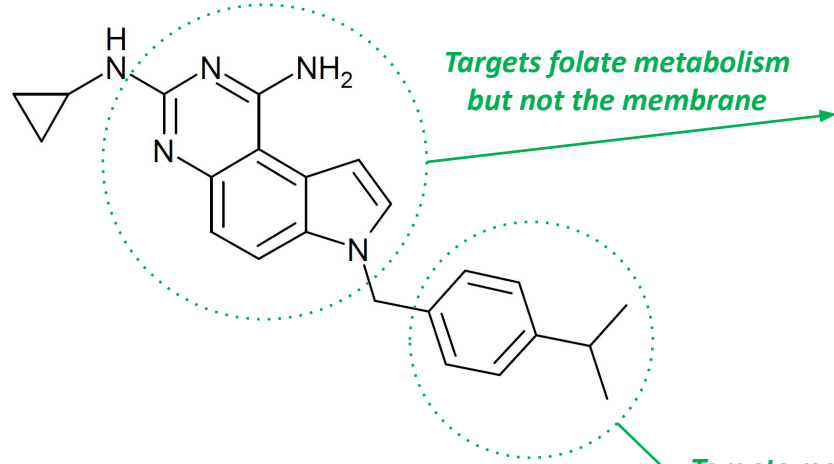
Target

Functional validation

on

The novel “poison arrow” mechanism of our first hit, SCH-79797, guided SAR to develop our top lead, Irresistin-16

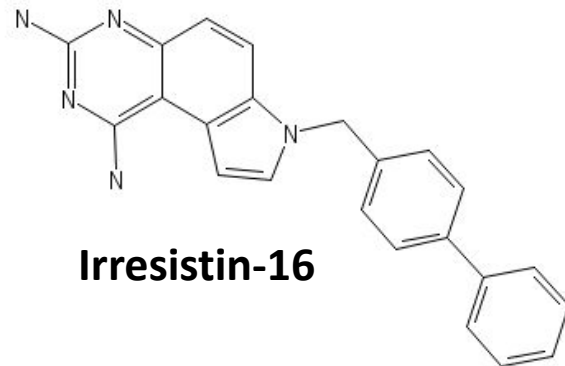
SCH-79797 has 2 functional moieties



The Poison

- ❑ Folates are essential for growth (precursors for DNA, RNA, and protein)
- ❑ Unlike other folate-targeting antibiotics, ours are highly resistance-resistant

SAR



The Arrow

- ❑ Membrane holes kill bacteria
- ❑ Unlike most membrane-targeters, ours are selective for bacterial membranes

ArrePath's platform to identify novel MoA hits



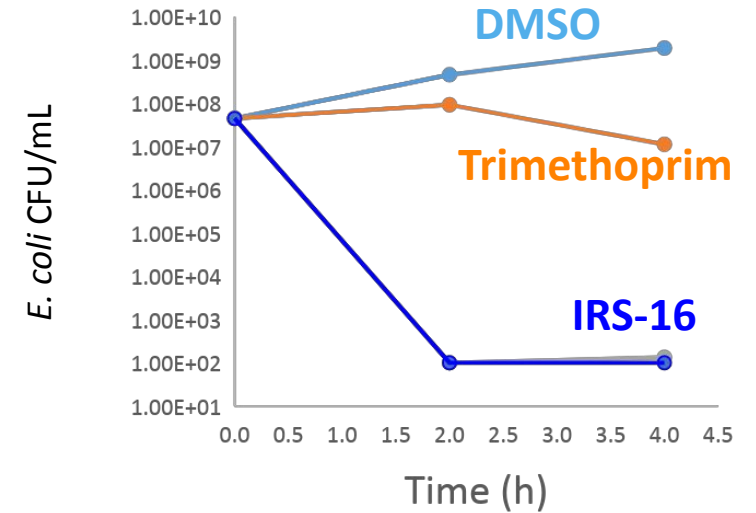
SAR based on defined novel MoA (H2L)

Irresistin-16 quickly kills AMR Gram-positive and Gram-negative pathogens with no detectable resistance

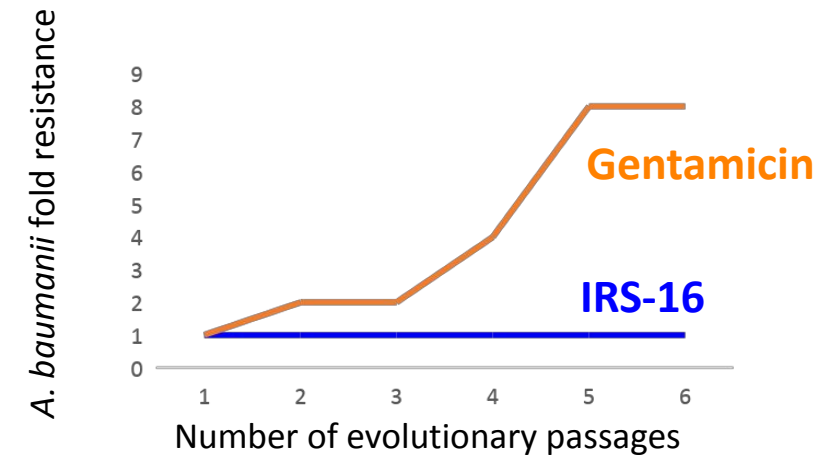
Gram-positive
Gram-negative
* MDR strain

Isolate	MIC ($\mu\text{g/mL}$)
<i>A. baumannii</i>	3.1
<i>A. baumannii</i> *	3.1
<i>B. subtilis</i>	0.02
<i>E. faecalis</i>	0.016
<i>E. faecium</i>	0.125
<i>E. faecium</i> *	0.125
<i>E. cloacae</i>	0.5
<i>E. coli</i>	0.8
<i>E. coli</i> *	0.8
<i>H. influenzae</i>	4
<i>M. abscessus</i>	3
<i>M. tuberculosis</i>	1.5
<i>M. tuberculosis</i> *	3
<i>N. gonorrhoeae</i>	0.063
<i>N. gonorrhoeae</i> *	0.031
<i>S. typhimurium</i>	4
<i>S. aureus</i>	1.6
<i>S. aureus</i> *	0.5
<i>S. pneumoniae</i>	0.25
<i>V. cholerae</i>	0.4

Fast
Killing
Kinetics

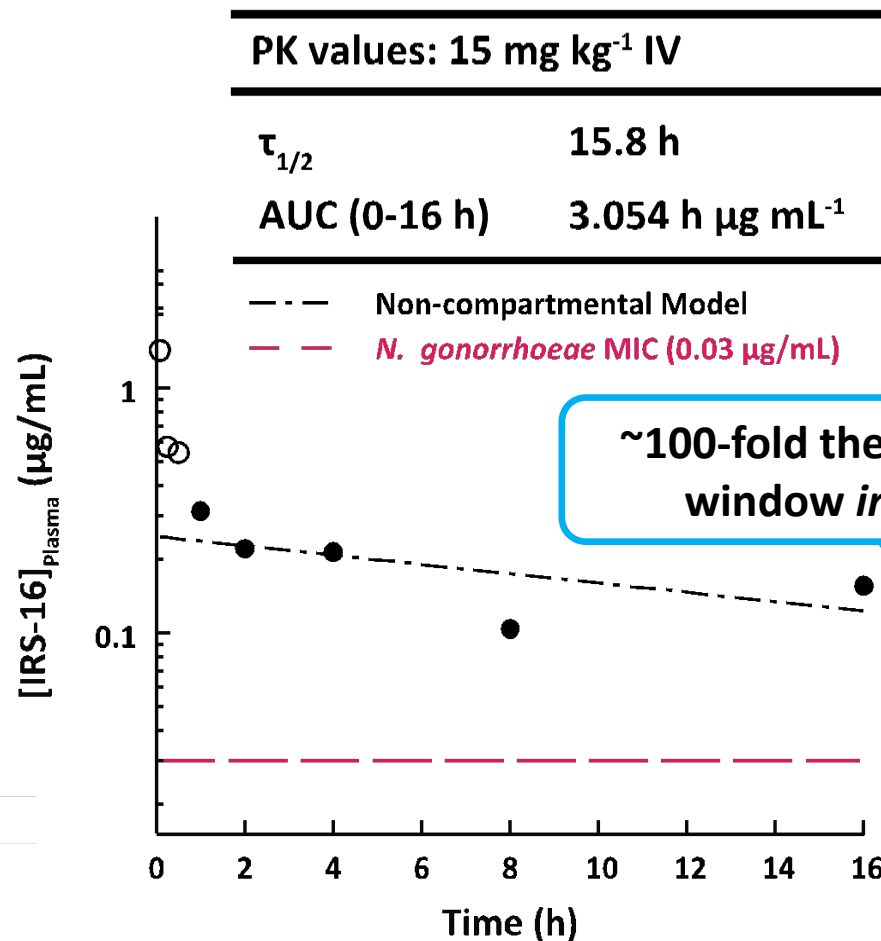
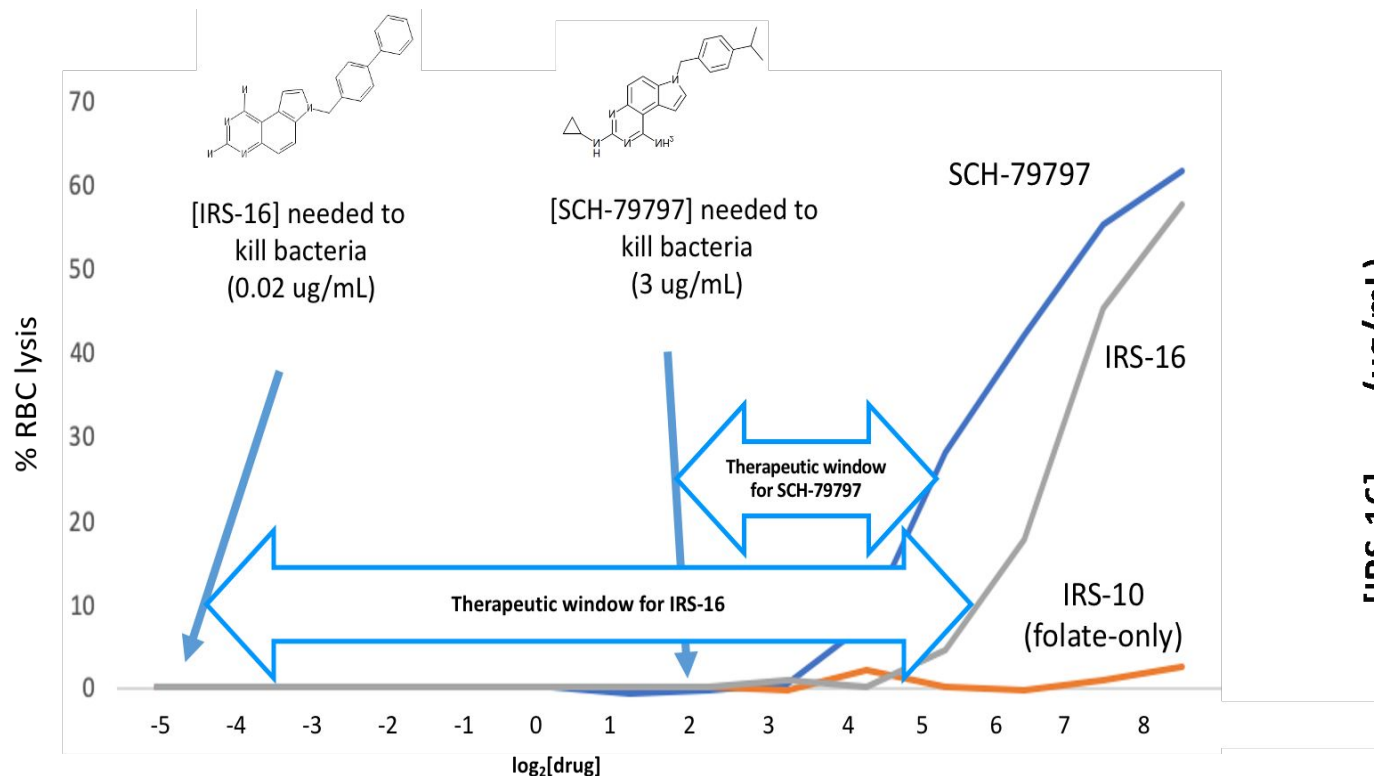


Resistance-
resistant



Irresistin-16:

>100-fold Therapeutic Window with desired PK profile



Have promising preliminary *in vivo* efficacy data in gonorrhoeae mouse model
Seed funding will be used to expand *in vivo* efficacy in multiple infection models

Arrepath's first lead, Irresistin-16 looks like an ideal new antibiotic

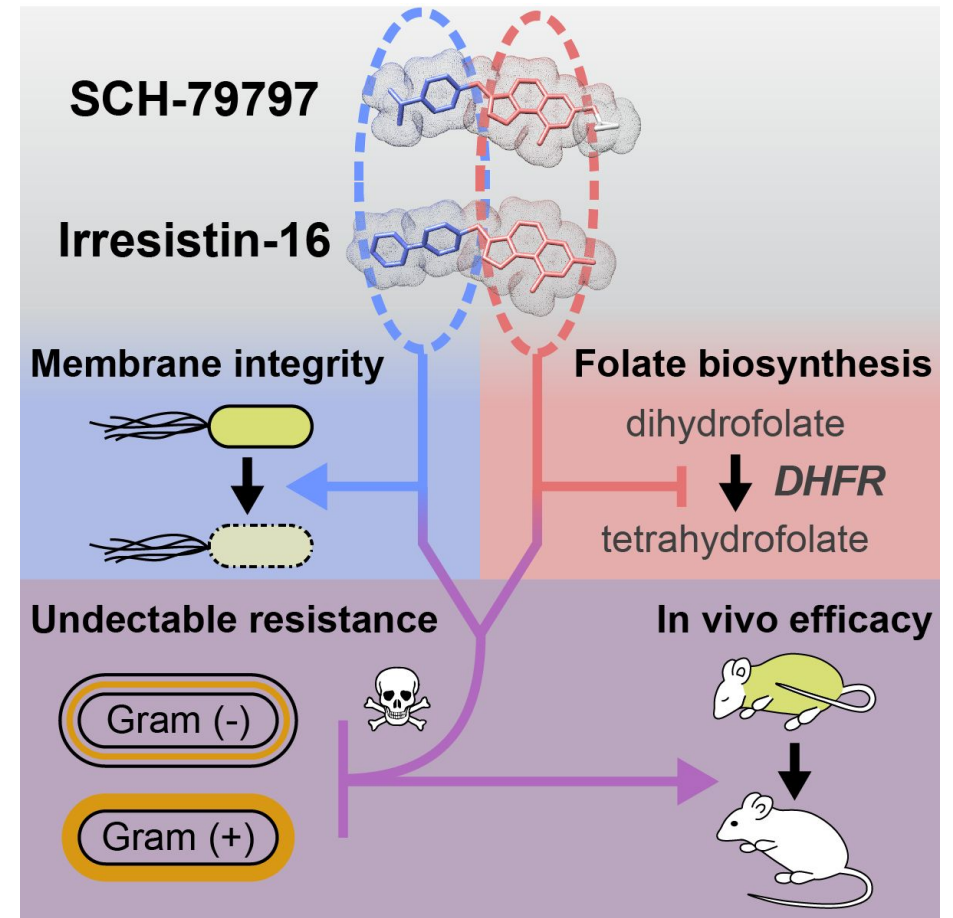
Kill both Gram-positive and Gram-negative bacteria ✓

Kill existing multi-drug-resistant strains ✓

Novel Mechanism of Action ✓

Not resistance-prone ✓

Not toxic (effective *in vivo*) ✓

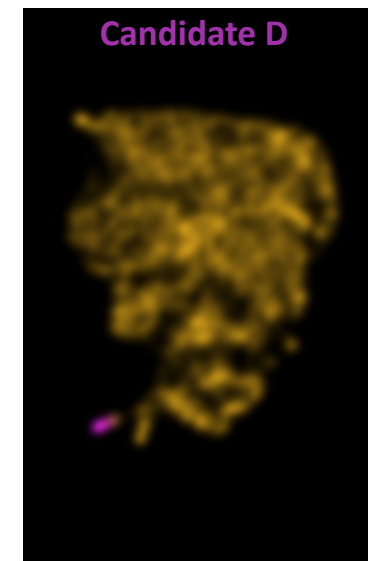
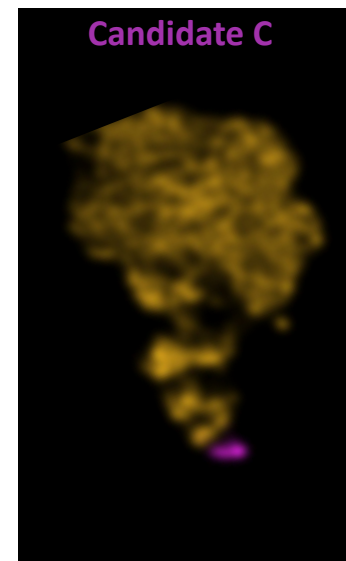
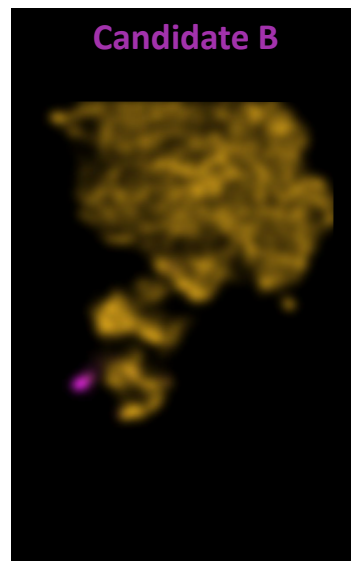
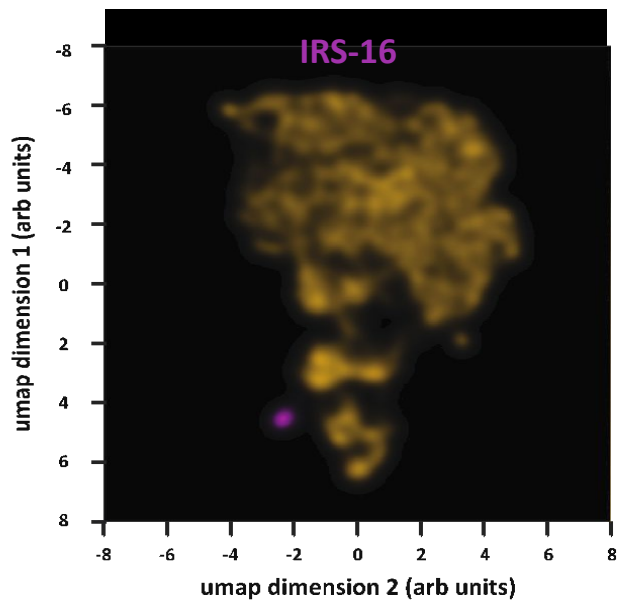


Martin and Gitai et al., *Cell* 2020

Our pipeline has also yielded a second lead that meets our TPP

Validating that our platform can identify additional hits

Bacterial autopsies identified additional hits with novel MoAs



Membrane-independent?	-	+	-	-	+
Resistance-resistant?	+	+	?	?	+
Target Gram-neg?	-	+	+	+	+
Low toxicity?	+	+	?	?	-

Proposed business plan priorities

Short-term Goal: Further lead optimization and characterization of Irresistins towards IND

(e.g., *Gram-negative Pneumonias / Gonorrhoea / Tuberculosis**) 15%

Mid-term Goal: Develop additional leads from initial screen or additional libraries w/ existing platform 25%

Long-term Goal: Re-establish the platform with given AMR specie(s) of choice, identify new leads by screening new libraries 60%

(e.g., *Pseudomonas aeruginosa / Klebsiella pneumonia / Acinetobacter baumannii**)

* To be aligned with the BoDs

ArrePath's platform to identify novel MoA hits



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LO



SoD

IND

It's a big market, but some companies have recently failed. Why will ArrePath succeed?

ArrePath's key competitive advantages

1

Breakthrough Innovation

Our novel approaches produce better starting-points for finding antibiotics with novel MoAs

2

Promising Initial Lead(s)

Irresistin-16 has a novel MoA, broad spectrum activity against CDC/WHO priority MDR Gram-negative pathogens, low toxicity, and is resistance-resistant.

3

Platform Technology with Multiple shots on goal

Our initial screen identified additional promising leads with novel MoAs
Our machine learning platform can be readily applied to new compound libraries to find more hits with Novel MoAs

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Summary

- Developing a novel platform to find new antibiotics with novel MOAs.

Ask

- Raising \$12M in seed funding to develop three programs and expand our platform.

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