# Design principles of collateral sensitivity-based dosing strategies

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# 28 Abstract

29	Collateral sensitivity (CS)-based antibiotic treatments, where increased resistance to one antibiotic leads to
30	increased sensitivity to a second antibiotic, may have the potential to limit the emergence of antimicrobial
31	resistance. However, it remains unclear how to best design CS-based treatment schedules. To address this problem,
32	we use mathematical modelling to study the effects of pathogen- and drug-specific characteristics for different
33	treatment designs on bacterial population dynamics and resistance evolution. We confirm that simultaneous and
34	one-day cycling treatments could supress resistance in the presence of CS. We show that the efficacy of CS-based
35	cycling therapies depends critically on the order of drug administration. Finally, we find that reciprocal CS is not
36	essential to suppress resistance, a result that significantly broadens treatment options given the ubiquity of one-way
37	CS in pathogens. Overall, our analyses identify key design principles of CS-based treatment strategies and provide
38	guidance to develop treatment schedules to suppress resistance.

# 42 Introduction

Antimicrobial resistance (AMR) is a worldwide health threat due to the reduction of clinically effective antibiotics. 43 Current drug discovery pipelines of new-in-class antibiotic agents are insufficient to offset the emergence of new 44 45 AMR<sup>1</sup>. Innovative strategies to reduce the rate that AMR develops are thus critically needed. Treatment with antibiotics in individual patients represents one important situation where de novo AMR may emerge<sup>2,3</sup>. However, 46 47 current clinical antibiotic treatment strategies, *i.e.*, which types of antibiotics are included as well as timing and 48 dosage, typically do not explicitly consider within-host emergence of AMR. Instead, current strategies used in clinical 49 practise are primarily based on exposure targets that are associated with sufficient bacterial kill in preclinical studies, 50 or with clinical outcomes in patient studies<sup>4</sup>. Thus, there is need for clinical dosing strategies specifically designed to 51 suppress AMR emergence<sup>5</sup>.

52 Trade-offs associated with AMR are of increasing interest to design antibiotic dosing strategies that suppress the within-host emergence of AMR<sup>6</sup>. In this context, collateral sensitivity (CS), where resistance to one antibiotic leads to 53 increased sensitivity to a second antibiotic, has been proposed as a potential strategy to suppress AMR <sup>7,8</sup>. CS has 54 55 been characterized in vitro, typically by evolving AMR strains and then quantifying correlated changes in the sensitivity to other antibiotics<sup>9–12</sup>. CS effects have been characterized for several clinically relevant pathogens, 56 including Escherichia coli<sup>9</sup>, Pseudomonas aeruginosa<sup>13</sup>, Enterococcus faecalis<sup>14</sup>, Streptococcus pneumoniae<sup>15</sup>, and 57 Staphylococcus aureus<sup>16</sup>. CS relationships between antibiotics can either be one directional, where decreased 58 59 sensitivity to one antibiotic show CS to a second antibiotic but not the reverse, or reciprocal, where decreased 60 sensitivity to either of the antibiotics results in CS to the other. Reciprocal CS is often considered a prerequisite for 61 effective CS-based treatments, but such relationships have been less frequently observed compared to one directional CS<sup>9-16</sup>. 62

CS-based treatment strategies can use different designs to combine antibiotics showing a CS-relationship, including simultaneous, sequential, or cyclic (alternating) administration. For example, consider a cycling drug strategy using two antibiotics showing reciprocal CS (Fig. 1). Initial treatment would start with antibiotic A. This leads to resistance to A and a corresponding increase in sensitivity to B. When treatment is switched to antibiotic B, the inverted selection pressure leads to the eradication of cells that are resistant to antibiotic A (due to CS), but possibly favouring any remaining cells that are resistant to B, but susceptible to antibiotic A. By cycling between the two

drugs to sequentially eliminate all cells that show reciprocal CS, complete eradication can be achieved. Although the
conceptual strategies of CS-based treatments have been discussed<sup>6</sup>, it remains unclear when CS-based dosing
strategies are most likely to be beneficial, and how to design specific multi-drug antibiotic dosing schedules based on
CS. Furthermore, it is unclear how pathogen-specific factors, such as CS effect magnitude and directionality, fitness
costs of resistance, and mutation rates, as well as pharmacological factors related to pharmacokinetics and
pharmacodynamics for different drug types, can affect optimal dosing schedules.

75 Experimental studies in vitro are essential to characterize the incidence, evolvability and magnitude of CS, all of

<sup>76</sup> which are important but isolated components that may contribute to the success of CS-based treatments <sup>9–16</sup>.

77 However, to translate in vitro CS findings to in vivo or clinical treatment scenarios, consideration of

78 pharmacodynamic (PD) and pharmacokinetic (PK) factors is essential, as these determine the differential impact of

79 different antibiotics on the concentration-dependent effects of bacterial growth, inhibition, and killing <sup>17,18</sup>. By

80 affecting bacterial dynamics, antibiotic PK-PD can have a profound influence on resistance evolution, and are

81 therefore key elements to design optimised CS-informed treatments. In addition, it is necessary to disentangle the

82 respective impacts of these separate parameters. Doing so requires a highly controlled system, where each factor

83 can be modified separately; this this level of control cannot be established experimentally. To this end, a

84 mathematical modelling approach can be highly valuable, as such models permit precise control of each factor.

Additionally, mathematical models are important tools to integrate multiple biological and pharmacological factors contributing to treatment outcomes, including different PK parameters of specific antibiotics in patients, antibioticspecific PD parameters, and pathogen specific characteristics such as strain fitness and the magnitude of CS effects. Thus, using a mathematical modelling approach allows us to address key questions relating to CS-based treatments that have yet to be fully answered.

A number of mathematical models have been developed to evaluate multi-drug therapies in relation to collateral effects often using shifts in MIC or other summary metrics as endpoints. These include deterministic<sup>19</sup> and Markov<sup>20</sup> models evaluating antibiotic cycling *in vitro* and *in silico*, which provide important insight into the importance of the design of the cycling regimen. Furthermore, a stochastic evolution model has been developed to assess the robustness of collateral sensitivity<sup>21</sup>. Despite the values of these models, they fail to characterise the bacterial dynamics underlying resistance evolution. Additionally, they do not include PK-PD relationships and lack

96 consideration of clinical PK, which are key factors when translating the findings into clinical dosing strategies.

97 Udekwu and Weiss developed a deterministic PK-PD model to study clinically relevant cycling schedules for CS-

- 98 informed treatments and evaluated their ability to delay emergence of antibiotic resistance<sup>22</sup>. This simulation study
- 99 serves as an important step toward designing clinically effective CS-based treatments. However, to take further steps
- 100 towards such treatments, there is a need for a more comprehensive evaluation of the impact of several
- 101 pharmacological and pathogen-associated factors related to dosing schedule designs, as well as specifically evaluate
- 102 the impact of CS effects on treatment outcomes in comparison to the situation without CS.
- 103 In the current study we aim to build on previously established models in order to determine if and when CS-based
- 104 dosing schedules lead to suppression of within-host emergence of antibiotic resistance. We utilise a mathematical
- 105 modelling approach to comprehensively study the influence of key pathogen-specific factors and the contribution of
- 106 PK and PD properties to identify key design principles to inform rational design of antibiotic multi-drug dosing
- 107 schedules that suppress AMR.
- 108 Methods

#### 109 Model framework

110 A differential-equation based model, consisting of components accounting for antibiotic PK and PD, and associated bacterial population dynamics, was developed to study the impact of differences in pathogen- and drug-specific 111 characteristics for different treatment strategies using two antibiotics, hereafter referred to as drug A ( $D_A$ ) and drug 112 B (D<sub>B</sub>). As a foundation for our model development, we used a deterministic PK-PD model developed by Udekwu and 113 Weiss<sup>22</sup>, which explores the impact of different multi-drug treatments on time to resistance development in the 114 115 presence of CS. We advanced the model by incorporating mutations as random events to capture the stochasticity of resistance evolution. We integrated the different model components into a framework that allowed us to simulate 116 antibiotic multi-drug treatments while altering drug- and pathogen-specific factors as a strategy to disentangle their 117 118 impacts on resistance development.

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#### 120 Pharmacokinetics

#### 121 A mono-exponential PK model was defined for both drugs D<sub>i</sub>, where i = {A,B}, as follows:

$$\frac{dA_{\mathrm{D}_i}}{dt} = -k_{\mathrm{e},\mathrm{D}_i} \times A_{\mathrm{D}_i} \tag{1}$$

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$$t_{half,D_i} = \frac{\ln(2)}{k_{e,D_i}}$$
 (2)

$$124 C_{\mathrm{D}_i} = \frac{A_{\mathrm{D}_i}}{V_{\mathrm{D}_i}} (3)$$

where Equation 1 describes the change of the amount of D<sub>i</sub> in plasma over time after intravenous administration,

126  $k_{e,AB_i}$  is the elimination rate of  $D_i$ , which can also be expressed as a half-life ( $t_{half,D_i}$ ) (Equation 2). The unbound plasma 127 concentration ( $C_{D_i}$ ), which is the assumed driver of the antibiotic effect, is calculated using the  $V_{D_i}$ , the distribution

volume of D<sub>i</sub> with the assumption of negligible protein binding (Equation 3).

#### 129 Bacterial subpopulations

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- 130 A model for antibiotic sensitive and resistant subpopulations was defined, comprising a four-state stochastic hybrid
- 131 ordinary differential equation (ODE) model, where each state represents a bacterial subpopulation with different
- 132 antibiotic susceptibility towards D<sub>A</sub> and D<sub>B</sub>.
- 133 The model included an antibiotic sensitive bacterial subpopulation (WT) (Equation 4), one mutant subpopulation

resistant to  $D_A$  but sensitive to  $D_B(R_A)$  (Equation 5), one mutant subpopulation sensitive to  $D_A$  but resistant to  $D_B(R_B)$ 

- 135 (Equation 6), and one double mutant subpopulation resistant to both D<sub>A</sub> and D<sub>B</sub> (R<sub>AB</sub>) (Equation 7). The initial
- 136 bacterial population was assumed to be homogeneous and in the sensitive WT state unless stated otherwise.

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$$\frac{dWT}{dt} = WT \times k_{G,WT} \times E_{D,WT} - k_{WT,R_A} - k_{WT,R_B}$$
(4)

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$$\frac{dR_{\rm A}}{dt} = R_{\rm A} \times k_{\rm G,R_{\rm A}} \times E_{\rm D,R_{\rm A}} + k_{\rm WT,R_{\rm A}} - k_{\rm R_{\rm A},R_{\rm AB}}$$
(5)

139 
$$\frac{dR_{\rm B}}{dt} = R_{\rm B} \times k_{\rm G,R_{\rm B}} \times E_{\rm D,R_{\rm B}} + k_{\rm WT,R_{\rm B}} - k_{\rm R_{\rm B},R_{\rm AB}}$$
 (6)

140 
$$\frac{dR_{AB}}{dt} = R_{AB} \times k_{G,R_{AB}} \times E_{D,R_{AB}} + k_{R_A,R_{AB}} + k_{R_B,R_{AB}}$$
(7)

The above equations (Equation 4-7) describe the subpopulation specific rate of change for bacterial density, which is dependent on the bacterial density of subpopulation *z*, the subpopulation specific net growth ( $k_{G,z}$ ), the drug effect ( $E_{D,z}$ ), and mutation transition(s) ( $k_{z,M}$ ), if present.

#### 144 Resistance mutation

Resistance evolution was included as stochastic mutation process. This process was modelled using a binomial distribution *B* with a mutation probability equal to the mutation rate ( $\mu$ ). The number of bacteria mutated per time step  $k_{z,M}$  depended on the number of bacteria available for mutation ( $n_z$ ), *i.e.*, the bacterial subpopulation density of subpopulation z multiplied by the infection volume *V*, for mutation at time *t* (Equation 8). Double resistant mutants evolved through two mutation steps.

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$$k_{z,M} = \frac{B(n_z,\mu)}{V}$$
 (8)

#### 151 Pharmacodynamic effects

Drug effects on bacterial subpopulations (Equation 4-7) were assumed to be additive and the total drug effect for each subpopulation  $z(E_{D,z})$  was implemented as follows (Equation 9):

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$$E_{\mathrm{D},z} = 1 - (E_{\mathrm{D}_{\mathrm{A}},z} + E_{\mathrm{D}_{\mathrm{B}},z})$$
 (9)

Here, antibiotic-mediated effects were implemented according to a PD model developed by Regoes *et al.* <sup>17</sup>, where the effect of the *i*<sup>th</sup> antibiotic on bacterial subpopulation  $z(E_{D_i,z})$  was related to the unbound drug concentration ( $C_{D,i}$ ) according to Equation 10.

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$$E_{\mathrm{D}_{i,Z}} = \frac{(1 - G_{\mathrm{min}, \mathrm{D}_{i}} / k_{\mathrm{Gmax}, Z}) \times \left(\frac{C_{\mathrm{D}_{i}}}{\mathrm{MIC}_{\mathrm{D}_{i}, Z}}\right)^{\mathrm{Hill}_{\mathrm{D}_{i}}}}{\left(\frac{C_{\mathrm{D}_{i}}}{\mathrm{MIC}_{\mathrm{D}_{i}, Z}}\right)^{\mathrm{Hill}_{\mathrm{D}_{i}}} - \frac{G_{\mathrm{min}, \mathrm{D}_{i}}}{k_{\mathrm{Gmax}, Z}}}$$
(10)

where  $G_{\min, D_i}$  represents the maximal killing effect for the D<sub>i</sub>,  $k_{Gmax,z}$  is the subpopulation-specific maximal growth rate,  $Hill_{AB_i}$  is the shape factor of the concentration-effect relationship, and  $MIC_{D_i, z}$  is the subpopulation-specific MIC of D<sub>i</sub>. This multi-parameter model allows for the description of the concentration-effect relationship of different shapes in relation to the subpopulation-specific MIC.

Sensitive bacteria were defined as having a MIC of 1 mg/L (MIC<sub>WT</sub>) and resistant as 10 mg/L (MIC<sub>R</sub>). Because the antibiotic concentrations are expressed as folds times MIC<sub>WT</sub>, the absolute value of MIC<sub>WT</sub> is arbitrary. However, the ratio between MIC<sub>WT</sub> and MIC<sub>R</sub> is of relevance. A tenfold increase was chosen to represent a significant increase for a biologically plausible scenario. Resistance-related CS effects were included on the two single resistant mutants (R<sub>A</sub>

- and R<sub>B</sub>), and were implemented as a proportional reduction (CS<sub>A</sub> and CS<sub>B</sub>) of the MIC of the sensitive wild type
- 168 bacteria (MIC<sub>WT</sub>). The double resistant mutant (R<sub>AB</sub>) was fully resistant (MIC = MIC<sub>R</sub>) to both antibiotic A and B, and
- did not have any collateral effects. The subpopulation- and antibiotic-specific MICs are stated below:
- 170  $MIC_{D_A,WT} = MIC_{WT}$  and  $MIC_{D_B,WT} = MIC_{WT}$
- 171  $MIC_{D_A,R_A} = MIC_R$  and  $MIC_{D_B,R_A} = MIC_{WT} \times CS_B$
- 172  $MIC_{D_A,R_B} = MIC_{WT} \times CS_A$  and  $MIC_{D_B,R_B} = MIC_R$
- 173  $MIC_{D_A,R_{AB}} = MIC_R$  and  $MIC_{D_B,R_{AB}} = MIC_R$
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#### 175 Growth rates and fitness effects

The maximal net growth rate ( $k_{Gmax}$ ) represents the maximal net growth of the wild type bacteria in the exponential growth phase. We considered resistance-associated fitness costs for the different mutant subpopulations. The fitness cost was incorporated using the factor  $F_{fit}$ , which introduced a fractional reduction of  $k_{Gmax}$  for each resistance mutation. Thus, each subpopulation is associated with a specific maximal net growth rate ( $k_{Gmax,z}$ ), determined by the subpopulation-specific fitness, and was implemented according to Equation 11.

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$$k_{\text{Gmax},z} = k_{\text{Gmax}} \times F_{\text{fit}}^{Nz}$$
 (11)

where  $F_{\text{fit}}^{Nz}$  is the fitness cost factor per mutation, and Nz is the subpopulation-specific number of mutations (Nz = 0, 1 or 2).

184 The subpopulation-specific net growth in the absence of antibiotic (k<sub>G,z</sub>) was implemented according to Equation 12.

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$$k_{\mathrm{G},z} = k_{\mathrm{Gmax},z} \times \left(1 - \frac{\mathrm{WT} + R_{\mathrm{A}} + R_{\mathrm{B}} + R_{\mathrm{AB}}}{B_{\mathrm{max}}}\right)$$
(12)

where B<sub>max</sub> is the systems maximum carrying capacity, and WT, R<sub>A</sub>, R<sub>B</sub>, R<sub>AB</sub> represent the bacterial densities of the four
 different subpopulations, respectively.

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#### 189 Pathogen- and infection-specific parameters

190 The maximal growth rate ( $k_{Gmax}$ ) of the hypothetical pathogen was 0.7 h<sup>-1</sup>, thus representing a doubling time of one

191 hour. The infection-specific parameters were chosen to represent a human bacteraemia, thus a typical human blood

volume of five litres was used as the infection site volume<sup>23</sup>. An initial bacterial density of 10<sup>4</sup> colony forming units

193 (CFU)/mL was used to represent an early stage of an established infection<sup>24</sup>. A system carrying capacity limitation 194  $(B_{max})$  of  $10^8$  CFU/mL<sup>24</sup> was implemented according to Equation 12. When the maximum carrying capacity is reached, 195 the net growth of the total bacterial population is zero, resulting in stationary phase. During this phase bacterial 196 replication continues but is offset by bacterial death at the same rate, thereby still allowing for resistance mutations 197 to occur. Resistance mutation rates of  $10^{-6}$  and  $10^{-9}$  mutations/base pair/hour were chosen to represent a high and a 198 moderate mutation rate scenario, respectively<sup>25</sup>.

199 Drug-specific parameters

The two hypothetical antibiotics used for the simulations (D<sub>A</sub> and D<sub>B</sub>) have identical one-compartmental PK with 200 distribution volumes of one litre, five-hour half-lives, and no protein binding. Their half-lives were selected to 201 202 represent antibiotics with clinically relevant short half-lives, thereby rapidly reaching steady-state concentrations 203 with minimal accumulation. The drugs were administrated as intravenous bolus doses twice daily over a treatment duration of two weeks. Several different dosing regimens were simulated including monotherapy, sequential non-204 repetitive dosing, one- and three-days repeated cycling regimens, and simultaneous dosing. Here, sequential non-205 206 repetitive dosing represents a multi-drug treatment using  $D_A$  for the first seven days and then switching to  $D_B$  for the remaining seven days of the treatment. The repeated cycling regimens represent multi-drug treatments starting with 207 208  $D_A$  for the duration of the cycling interval (*i.e.*, one or three days), then switching to  $D_B$  for the same duration, and 209 then back to  $D_A$ , continuing the repeated cycling until the end of treatment. For sequential and repeated cycling treatments D<sub>A</sub> was always used as the starting drug. The doses used were obtained by calculating the required dose 210 to achieve appropriate average steady state concentration ( $C_{ss}$ ) relative to the MIC<sub>WT</sub>. The lowest dose (using 0.5 x 211 MIC increments) that gave kill or stasis of the WT bacteria within the 24 hours of treatment, but allowed for 212 resistance development during monotherapy, was selected for all dosing regimens except for the simultaneous 213 214 dosing, for which the dose for the individual antibiotics were reduced by half in order to allow for resistance development. Four different PD types were included using different combinations of representative parameter 215 values of Hill (driver of antibiotic effect) and  $G_{min}$  (type of antibiotic effect). The driver of the antibiotic effect, which 216 is reflected by the steepness of the concentration-effect relationship (Hill), where shallow relationships are 217 218 associated with time-over-MIC-dependency (Hill = 0.5) and steep relationship with concentration-dependency (Hill =

3). The type of antibiotic effects are commonly divided into bacteriostatic ( $G_{min} = -1$ ) or bactericidal ( $G_{min} = -3$ ). The

220 corresponding PK-PD relationship of the four different antibiotic types is shown in Fig. 3.

### 221 Simulation scenarios

An initial set of dose-finding simulations revealed that monotherapy required C<sub>ss</sub> equal to 1.5 mg/L (1.5 x MIC<sub>WT</sub>) to achieve killing of the WT while allowing for emergence of resistance in the absence of CS, regardless of the drug type used (Supplementary Fig. 1). These dosing conditions allow us to evaluate the effect of CS for the majority of the simulated treatments. However, for the treatments where antibiotics were dosed simultaneously, half of the dose (C<sub>ss</sub> 0.75 mg/L) was used in order to keep the total dose constant, and to allow for resistance emergence in the absence of CS and comparable to non-simultaneous dosing regimens.

We used a systematic simulation strategy to study the impact of CS, fitness cost, mutation rate, and initial 228 subpopulation heterogeneity in antibiotic sensitivity on the probability of resistance (PoR) development for different 229 treatments. An overview of all simulated scenarios can be found in Supplementary Table 1. We simulated treatments 230 231 using two same-type antibiotics ( $G_{min,B} = G_{min,B}$  and Hill<sub>A</sub> = Hill<sub>B</sub>) for scenarios without CS as well as in the presence of 232 one directional and reciprocal CS in the magnitude of 50% or 90% (2 or 10-fold) reduction of the sensitive MIC (Supplementary Table 1, Scenario 1 and 2). For these scenarios the resistance was assumed to occur without any 233 fitness cost, thus allowing us to evaluated CS-specific effects on PoR. We also simulated a set of treatment scenarios 234 using two different antibiotic types in the presence or absence of CS (Supplementary Table 1, Scenario 3). To assess 235 the impact of therapeutic window of antibiotics, as reflected by the fold-difference of steady state concentration 236 237  $(C_{ss})$  to the MIC<sub>WT</sub>, we simulated different dosing levels resulting in a range of C<sub>ss</sub> of 0.5-5 x MIC<sub>WT</sub> (Supplementary Table 1, Scenario 4). Additionally, we simulated same-type treatment scenarios covering a wide range of fitness costs 238 239 (10% to 50% fitness cost per mutation compared to the wild type) implemented as a growth rate reduction 240 (Supplementary Table 1, Scenario 5). In order to better understand the interplay between CS and fitness cost we 241 simulated these scenarios with and without CS. We further investigated how low levels of pre-existing resistance 242 (1%) towards either AB<sub>A</sub> or AB<sub>B</sub> affected the PoR at the end of treatment for different dosing regimens 243 (Supplementary Table 1, Scenario 6). Finally, we examined the effect of increased mutation rates on resistance development (Supplementary Table 1, Scenario 7). 244

245 Each simulated scenario was realized 500 times (n), thus representing 500 virtual patients for which the within-

patient resistance development was assessed. For each scenario we evaluated different multi-drug treatments

- 247 regimens, including within-patient cycling and simultaneous administration. We note that most previously
- 248 conducted studies investigating the clinical utility of antibiotic cycling and mixing to supress AMR have evaluated
- stewardship strategies at a community level<sup>26–28</sup>, *e.g.*, between patients within a hospital ward. However, community
- 250 level strategies are conceptually different from the within-patient multi-drug treatment strategies we investigate in
- this analysis. Therefore, the results we derive from our simulations are not directly comparable to the findings from
- 252 such epidemiological studies.
- 253 Evaluation metrics
- We computed the probability of resistance (PoR), which was defined as resistant bacteria reaching, or exceeding, the initial bacterial density of 10<sup>4</sup> CFU/mL at the end of treatment, for each subpopulation separately (Equation 13)

$$PoR_z = \frac{n_{R,z}}{n}$$
(13)

where  $n_{R,z}$  denotes the number of patients having resistant bacteria of subpopulation z at the end of treatment (Equation 14):

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$$n_{\rm R,z} = \sum_{k=1}^{n} \mathbf{1}_{x_{z,k} \ge 10^4 \rm cfu/mL}$$

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(14)

where **1** denotes the indicator function and  $x_{z,k}$  denotes the bacterial density of subpopulation z at the end of treatment of patient k.

263 We also calculated the PoR for the case where any, *i.e.*, one or more, resistant subpopulation(s) exceeded the

- 264 resistance cut-off (R<sub>Any</sub>).
- 265 The standard error (SE) of the PoR was calculated according to Equation 15.

$$266 \qquad SE = \sqrt{\frac{PoR(1 - PoR)}{n}}$$
(15)

- 267 Software and model code
- All analyses were conducted in R version 4.0.5, using the ODE solver package RxODE (version 1.0.0-0)<sup>29,30</sup>. The associated model code is available at https://github.com/vanhasseltlab/CS-PKPD)<sup>31</sup>.
- 270 Results
- 271 Drug type and treatment schedule influence the probability of resistance
- We simulated multi-drug antibiotic treatments using two antibiotics of the same type, with either no (0%) or 272 273 reciprocal CS (50 or 90% decrease comparing to  $MIC_{WT}$ ). We show that the impact of reciprocal CS on resistance 274 dynamics is dependent on the simulated drug type and dosing regimen (Fig. 4). In our simulations, treatments with concentration-dependent antibiotics could achieve full CS-based resistance suppression for dosing schedules using 275 276 one-day cycling interval (Fig. 4C, 4G) or simultaneous administration (Fig. 4D, 4H). A 50% MIC reduction was sufficient to achieve this effect for all of the four treatments, which is relevant in light of experimental results 277 consistent with these CS magnitudes<sup>15,16,20,32,33</sup>. Treatments using time-dependent antibiotics dosed according to 278 279 these schedules (Fig. 4K, 4L, 4O, 4P) were efficient in fully supressing resistance with or without CS. Full resistance suppression was not achieved by any of the other treatment schedules tested. Although none of the CS-based 280 281 treatments dosed according to the three-day cycling regimen managed to fully supress resistance, the ones using time-dependent antibiotics (Fig. 4J, 4N) did show reduced PoR in the presence of CS. For these treatments, the effect 282 of CS was most prominent for bacteriostatic antibiotics (Fig. 4N) where a CS magnitude of 90% resulted in a decrease 283 of the PoR of 12.6% for R<sub>Any</sub>. Importantly, we also find that for some treatments the presence of CS was not only 284 285 unable to fully supress resistance, but favoured the formation of double resistant mutants (Fig. 4F, 4I, 4M).
- 286 Directionality of CS effects influence the probability of resistance

We next sought to determine if reciprocity is a requirement for CS-based treatments to suppress *de novo* resistance. We find that bactericidal and bacteriostatic drugs showed the same overall behaviour for treatment outcomes when tested in relation to CS directionality (Supplementary Fig.2). We specifically focus on the one-day cycling and simultaneous treatment that appeared to be most successful in fully supressing resistance for reciprocal CS. We find that for the one-day cycling regimen the presence of one directional CS for the second administrated antibiotic (D<sub>B</sub>) is sufficient to fully suppress resistance development. This is illustrated for treatments using concentration-

293	dependent bacteriostatic antibiotic in Fig. 5. In this scenario, one directional CS results in resistance levels close to
294	the reciprocal scenario ( <i>e.g.</i> , one directional 50% CS resulted in 0.4% PoR of R <sub>Any</sub> for bacteriostatic (Fig. 5A) vs 0% for
295	reciprocal CS (Fig.5B)). In contrast, when CS is only present for the first antibiotic administered (D <sub>A</sub> ), we found
296	resistance levels close to the scenario without any CS (PoR 11.5% (Fig. 5D) vs 12.4% (Fig. 5C)). Overall, these results
297	suggest that when using a drug-pair without reciprocity, the order of administration has a large impact on treatment
298	success and that therapy should be initiated with the antibiotic for which there is no CS. This strategy allows for
299	evolution and growth of R <sub>A</sub> on the first day, while R <sub>B</sub> is supressed by D <sub>A</sub> . When the selection is inverted on day two,
300	the low levels of $R_A$ are effectively killed by $D_B$ in the presence of CS. In the absence of CS towards $D_B$ , $R_A$ will reach
301	high levels, which can lead to further evolution of R <sub>AB</sub> . When simultaneous administration of concentration-
302	dependent antibiotics is used, we found that reciprocity is necessary to fully supress resistance, as one directional CS
303	will only supress resistance for the resistant subpopulation which shows CS (Fig. 5A and 5B). However, one
304	directional CS did reduce the PoR for $R_{Any}$ by approximately 50% ( $\Delta$ PoR -19.6% and -19.2% for CS <sub>A</sub> and CS <sub>B</sub> ,
305	respectively) for both of these treatments.

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307 Administration sequence and antibiotic type influence resistance suppression

308 As CS does not only occur between antibiotics of the same type, it is important to understand how the administration sequence of different-type antibiotics affects resistance evolution. Our results for one-day cycling and 309 simultaneous schedules demonstrated that the suppression of *de novo* resistance was mainly driven by the first 310 311 administered antibiotic ( $D_A$ ) for all non-simultaneous regimens (Supplementary Fig. 3), highlighting the importance 312 of drug sequence. In line with our findings for multi-drug treatments using same-type antibiotics (Fig. 4), resistance was fully suppressed from CS only when using one-day cycling or simultaneous administration dosing regimens. 313 Particularly for one-day cycling regimens (Fig. 6), initiating treatment with a time-dependent antibiotic was more 314 effective at supressing resistance in the presence of reciprocal CS compared to the initial administration of a 315 concentration-dependent antibiotic. 316

318 CS-based multi-drug treatments show greatest promise for antibiotics with a narrow therapeutic

319 window

Although many antibiotics are well-tolerated and can be dosed well above the MIC of susceptible strains others, e.g., 320 aminoglycosides, display a narrow therapeutic window due to toxicity<sup>34–36</sup>. Understanding the relationship between 321 average steady-state concentrations (C<sub>ss</sub>) and the impact of CS on *de novo* resistance development would help 322 identify in which clinical scenarios CS could be exploited to improve treatment. To this end, we simulated a set of 323 324 dosing regimens (using same-type antibiotics) resulting in  $C_{ss}$  ranging between 0.5-5 x MIC<sub>WT</sub>. These simulations revealed that CS has the greatest impact on  $R_{Anv}$  for  $C_{ss}$  close to the MIC<sub>WT</sub> (Fig. 7 and Supplementary Fig. 4). Most 325 326 treatments showing a benefit of CS lost the advantage when the C<sub>ss</sub> exceeded 1.5 x MIC<sub>wT</sub>. The only exception was one-day cycling treatment using concentration-dependent bacteriostatic drugs, which retained an advantage up to 327 328 C<sub>ss</sub> of 2 x MIC<sub>WT</sub> (Fig. 7G).

329 Fitness cost of antibiotic resistance can contribute to the success of CS-based treatments

Resistance evolution is commonly associated with fitness costs<sup>37</sup>. We studied the impact of different levels of fitness 330 cost on the suppression of *de novo* resistance development (Fig. 8). Fitness cost was included as a fractional 331 332 reduction of growth per mutation, thereby doubly penalising the double resistant mutant R<sub>AB</sub>. In the absence of CS, 333 fitness cost below 50% per mutation had little impact ( $|\Delta PoR| \ge 5\%$ ) on  $R_{Any}$  for most treatment scenarios. However, when concentration-dependent bactericidal drugs were dosed simultaneously the presence of fitness costs slightly 334 increased the PoR (maximum  $\Delta$ PoR 10.2 %). The presence of fitness cost increased the impact of CS on PoR the 335 three-day cycling regimen using time dependent antibiotics (Fig. 8J and 8N), which failed to fully supress resistance 336 in the presence of fitness cost-free CS. The fitness cost generating the largest impact of CS for these treatments on 337 PoR was 40% and 50% cost per mutation when treated with bacteriostatic ( $\Delta$  PoR -48.4) and bactericidal ( $\Delta$  PoR -338

339 42.8%) drug, respectively.

340 CS-based simultaneous treatment designs suppress pre-existing resistance

The presence of rare pre-existing resistant cells in the bacterial population establishing an infection is clinically associated with antibiotic-treatment failure<sup>38</sup>. We here studied if CS-based dosing schedules can be used to eradicate such a heterogeneous population (Fig. 9 and Supplementary Fig. 5). In the absence of CS, most of the simulated

344	treatment scenarios resulted in a higher probability of the expansion and fixation of pre-existing resistant sub-
345	populations. As with <i>de novo</i> resistance and cycling regimens, the benefit of reciprocal CS was only apparent when
346	resistance was towards the second antibiotic (subpopulation $R_B$ ). This is illustrated with the one-day cycling
347	treatments shown in Fig.9, where all CS-based treatments could supress PoR for pre-existing R <sub>B</sub> , but failed for all
348	with pre-existing R <sub>A</sub> . For three-day cycling regimens and pre-existing resistance towards the first antibiotic, CS was
349	shown to increase the PoR for R <sub>AB</sub> (Supplementary Fig. 5). In the presence of CS, all simultaneously dosed treatments
350	were effective in fully suppressing resistance regardless of pre-existing resistance (Supplementary Fig. 5).

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The combined effect of CS and mutation rate on resistance development differs between 352

treatments 353

Because some antibiotic treatments can enhance the genome-wide mutation rate in pathogenic bacteria <sup>39</sup>, we 354 included a set of simulations with higher mutation rates than 10<sup>-9</sup> mutations/bp/h (10<sup>-8</sup>-10<sup>-6</sup> mutations/bp/h). We 355 356 show that the impact of mutation rate on the PoR was dependent on the combination of treatment design and the antibiotic type used, especially in the presence of CS (Fig. 10). The largest impact of the interaction between CS and 357 358 mutation on PoR was found for the extremes of the antibiotic switching time, *i.e.*, one-day cycling and sequential treatment design (maximum  $\Delta$ PoR -57.8% and -52.4%, respectively). In the absence of CS, an increased mutation 359 360 rate generally led to an increased PoR, with the exception of simultaneous administration of time-dependent antibiotics, which actually resulted in full suppression of resistance regardless of CS and mutation rate. For 361 362 sequential treatments using time-dependent antibiotics with reciprocal CS (Fig.10I, 10M), the highest PoR was observed at a mutation rate of 10<sup>-7</sup> mutations/bp/hour, and decreased at higher mutation rates. For all mutation 363 rates and in the presence of CS, simultaneous treatments supressed resistance. 364

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#### Discussion 366

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Our theoretical analysis shows that CS can be exploited to design treatment schedules that suppress within-host 368 development of antibiotic resistance, with CS-based treatments holding the most potential for antibiotics with 369 370 narrow-therapeutic windows. Our simulations indicated that several previously unrecognised factors need to be

considered to ensure optimal design of CS-based dosing regimens, which include antibiotic PD characteristics, the
magnitude and reciprocity of CS effects, and the effect of fitness cost of antibiotic resistance mutations. In addition,
we found that antibiotic sequence has strong impact on the success of CS-based cycling treatments. An overview of
the main insights and derived design principles we obtained can be found in Supplementary Table 2.

CS-based dosing schedules have mainly considered reciprocal CS scenarios, where resistance against one antibiotic 376 leads to increased sensitivity to a second antibiotic and vice versa<sup>12,16</sup>. We show, however, that one directional CS 377 378 can be sufficient to supress resistance. For a one-day cycling regimen, the one-directional CS effects were nearly 379 identical to the scenario that considered reciprocal CS (Fig. 5A vs 5B), but only when bacteria showed CS to the 380 second drug administrated. When CS was only present for the first antibiotic ( $D_A$ ) (Fig. 5D), initial bacterial growth 381 was extensive, thus leading to increased risk of the double resistant subpopulation emerging. Because onedirectional CS relationships are much more common than reciprocal CS relationships <sup>9–16</sup>, this significantly expands 382 383 the number of clinical scenarios for which effective CS-based treatments can be designed.

We find that CS-based treatments show the greatest promise for antibiotics with a narrow therapeutic window. The 384 385 therapeutic window of an antibiotic is defined by the drug exposure, or concentration range, leading to sufficient 386 efficacy without associated toxicity. In the majority of our simulations, we have studied dosing schedules leading to an antibiotic steady state concentrations ( $C_{ss}$ ) of 1.5 x MIC<sub>WT</sub> (or 0.75 x MIC<sub>WT</sub> for simultaneous dosing regimens), 387 which led to complete killing of the sensitive population but did allow emergence of resistance to occur. This 388 389 concentration can be considered to reflect a narrow-therapeutic window antibiotic, e.g., where the antibiotic concentration required for bacterial killing is closer to the MIC because of occurrence of (severe) toxicities at higher 390 391 concentrations. Indeed, for concentrations (much) higher than the MIC, or simultaneously administrating two drugs 392 above the MIC, the benefit of CS rapidly disappears (Fig. 7). This means that especially for antibiotics with a narrow therapeutic window such as polymyxins or aminoglycosides, exploiting CS-based dosing schedules offers significant 393 opportunities for successful antibiotic treatment while minimizing both the risks of antibiotic-related toxicity and de 394 395 novo antibiotic-resistance development. Additionally, for simultaneously administrated antibiotics, the presence of 396 CS could provide the possibility to lower the dosage of the individual antibiotics without decreasing efficacy.

Cycling based dosing regimens are frequently discussed as a strategy to improve antibiotic treatment when CS
 occurs. In our simulations, we show that for one-day cycling treatments antibiotic type (Fig. 6), directionality of CS

(Fig. 5), and the identity of any pre-existing resistance subpopulation (Fig. 9) should be considered when choosing 399 400 which drug to administer first. We, specifically, show that the type of the first administrated antibiotic had a larger 401 impact on the PoR compared to the type of the second administrated antibiotic. The presences of CS to the second 402 administrated antibiotic had a greater effect PoR compared to CS to the first administrated antibiotic. In the case of 403 pre-existing resistance, the PoR was smaller if there was pre-existing resistance to the second administrated drug 404 compared to the first antibiotic. These findings are consistent with previous studies showing that the probability of resistance is influenced by the sequence of antibiotics<sup>40</sup>, and optimized cycling sequences outperformed random 405 drug cycling regimens<sup>14</sup>. Additionally, we show that one-day cycling outperforms a three-day cycling interval, both in 406 407 the presence and absence of CS. This is in agreement with previous in vitro studies showing an advantage of shorter cycling intervals<sup>41</sup>. Furthermore, in the context of cycling, or alternating antibiotic treatments, consideration of the 408 409 pharmacokinetics, e.g., the time-varying antibiotic concentrations, was found to be important because the remaining concentration of the first antibiotic administered added to the total drug effect (illustrated in Fig. 3). 410 411 Therefore, the antibiotic switch contributes to a higher total drug effect than after repeated administration of the same drug, even in the absence of collateral effects. In our simulations, the impact of this increased effect is 412 dependent on the type of the antibiotic and was shown to be especially important for time-dependent antibiotics. 413 414 This highlights the importance of considering both PK and PD when designing effective antibiotic treatments, 415 something that is overlooked when drawing conclusion regarding treatments solely based on static in vitro models. To better characterize the population dynamics of pathogens in response to antibiotic treatment under presence of 416 CS, we studied the effect of fitness costs of antibiotic resistance and mutation rates leading to antibiotic resistance. 417 We find that introducing fitness costs had a negligible effect on PoR for the majority of the simulated CS-based 418 treatments, with the exception of the three-day cycling using time dependent antibiotics (Fig. 8J and 8N), where 419 introducing fitness costs improved the CS-based treatments by preventing resistant bacteria from reaching high 420 densities before the first antibiotic switch. Typically, the PoR increased with mutation rate, which is in line with 421 previous findings of mutator strains being associated with higher level of resistance<sup>42,43</sup>. For pathogens with a low 422 mutation rate and/or administration of non-mutagenesis-inducing antibiotics (10<sup>-9</sup> mut/bp/h), one-day cycling 423 regimens and simultaneous antibiotic treatments are most relevant to benefit from CS, whereas for high mutation 424 rates (e.g., 10<sup>-6</sup> mut/bp/h), sequential and simultaneous antibiotic treatments are the most beneficial (Fig. 10). This 425

means that in situations when the occurrence of mutator strains is likely (e.g., such as in cystic fibrosis lung 426 infections<sup>44</sup>) and/or when the administered antibiotics induce mutagenesis (*e.g.*, fluoroquinolones<sup>45</sup>), this should be 427 considered in the design of dosing schedules. With respect to the competition between different bacterial 428 429 subpopulations occurring *in vivo*, we included a bacterial carrying capacity which introduces clonal competition. 430 During clonal competition, competition between subpopulations can lead to their suppression, e.g., high densities 431 for one subpopulation can suppress the growth of a second subpopulation, even if the second population might be more fit. Treatments giving rise to clonal competition-based containment, where the selection pressure favors 432 specific subpopulations which will in turn suppress others due to the capacity limitation of the system, have been 433 suggested as a potential strategy to suppress AMR<sup>46</sup>. In our simulation, we observe a clear impact of clonal 434 435 competition. When CS is present, single resistant subpopulations are unable to reach high enough levels to suppress 436 the growth of the double resistant mutant, which allows the double mutant to take over, for some treatments. This support the value of characterizing CS-based treatments beyond the quantified summary metric of collateral effect. 437 Our study advances the work by Udekwu and Weiss<sup>22</sup> by explicitly comparing treatment outcomes to a base 438 scenario without CS to determine the specific contribution of CS effects, and by performing a more systematic 439 analysis of key drug- and pathogen specific factors that could influence optimal CS-based treatment scenarios. 440 441 Additionally, we incorporated mutations as random events to capture the stochastic nature of resistance evolution, which is overlooked when using purely deterministic models. Our mathematical model was designed to facilitate 442 443 identification of the primary factors driving the success or failure of antibiotic treatments in a general setting, and 444 not for specific antibiotics and/or pathogens. We thereby did not consider factors that could further contribute to treatment outcomes for specific pathogens or antibiotics. We did not consider that more complex evolutionary 445 mutational trajectories can occur with associated complex patters of changes in antibiotic sensitivity and MIC<sup>47</sup>, 446 which are not easily definable to apply to antibiotic treatment in general. Other factors not considered include local 447 antibiotic tissue concentrations <sup>48,49</sup>, pharmacokinetic drug-drug interactions or the contribution of the immune 448 system. We expect that such factors will not affect the specific subpopulations studied in different ways and 449 therefore will not have a great impact on the general findings derived in this analysis. 450

In this analysis we assumed independent additive drug effects, thus excluding the possibility of pharmacodynamic
 drug-drug interactions between antibiotics, e.g., synergy or antagonism<sup>50</sup>. Combined drug effects can furthermore

be modelled according to different null interaction assumption, including: (i) dependence of drug effects through a 453 shared mechanism of action (Loewe additivity)<sup>50,51</sup> [ref], (ii) independent drug effects with a shared maximum drug 454 effect (Bliss independence)<sup>52</sup>, or (iii) fully independent additive drug effects<sup>50</sup> as implemented in this paper. The 455 456 choice of null interaction model, or the presence of drug interactions (synergy, antagonism) may influence treatment 457 outcomes in particular for simultaneous treatment schedules. Although an analysis of the effect of various possible drug interactions was beyond the scope of this analysis, we do expect this will be an important factor to consider 458 when designing CS-based treatment for specific antibiotic combinations, where specific pharmacodynamic drug 459 interactions can be explicitly incorporated. 460

The developed modelling framework is applicable for design of clinical treatment designs for specific antibiotic 461 462 agents and pathogens, where the model can be further expanded with additional pathogen-, drug-, and patientspecific characteristics<sup>53</sup>, derived from separate experimental studies and by utilizing published clinical population PK 463 models for specific antibiotics<sup>54,55</sup>, which include inter-individual variability or target site concentrations at the site of 464 infection. This would thus allow us to derive tailored CS-based dosing regimens for specific antibiotics and 465 pathogens. Additionally, we did not evaluate how the presence of collateral resistance (CR) could impact treatment 466 efficacy. Although such scenarios are beyond the scope of the current study, the flexibility of our developed 467 468 framework allows for the incorporation of CR, and could thus serve as a tool to investigate how CR impacts treatment efficacy. Furthermore, cellular hysteresis, where non-genetic CS-like responses have been observed, may 469 be another direction for which our modelling framework could be extended<sup>41</sup>. 470

In this study we showcase how a mathematical modelling can address questions that are difficult to answer using an 471 experimental approach. We conclude that CS-based treatments are likely to be able to contribute in the suppression 472 of resistance. However, the success of such treatment strategies will be dependent on careful design of a dosing 473 schedule, and requires explicit consideration of pathogen- and drug-specific characteristics. Our developed 474 475 modelling framework delineates key factors for the overall design of effective CS-informed treatments and can be used to facilitating help the design of treatments tailored to specific pathogens and antibiotic combinations. 476 Although well-conserved CS effects remain a key requirement, we found that reciprocal CS may not be a 477 requirement to design such dosing schedules, expanding the applicability of CS-based treatments. Such CS-based 478

- 479 treatments appear to be most relevant for antibiotics with a narrow therapeutic window, which are also the
- 480 antibiotics where within-host emergence of resistance is most likely to occur.

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- 493 Code Availability
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- The model and associated code are available at <u>https://github.com/vanhasseltlab/CS-PKPD<sup>31</sup></u> and in Supplementary Software 1.
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- Figure 1. Concept figure of collateral sensitivity (CS)-based treatments using two hypothetical drugs, antibiotic A and B, based on Pál et al
- 618 2015 <sup>56</sup> A: Reciprocal CS relationship between antibiotic A and B. B: Theoretical cycling regimen exploiting CS between antibiotic A and B to
- 619 supress resistance.

620 Figure 2. Simulation workflow. Pharmacokinetic-pharmacodynamic (PK-PD) framework comprised of four bacterial subpopulations (WT, R<sub>A</sub>,

621 R<sub>B</sub>, R<sub>AB</sub>) and the PK-PD of two hypothetical drugs (D<sub>A</sub> and D<sub>B</sub>). The framework includes fixed infection- and pathogen-specific parameters and

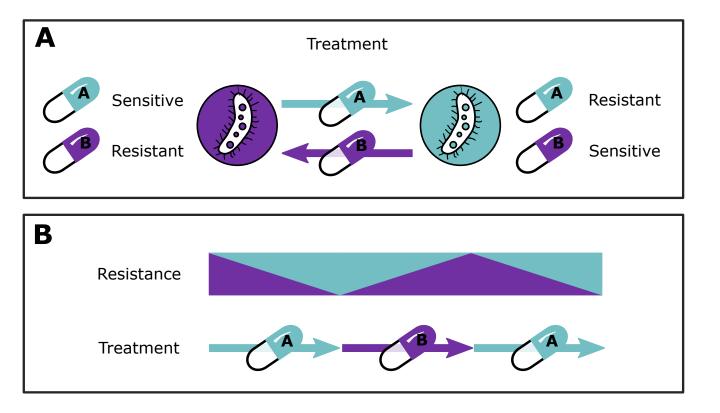
- 622 fixed drug PK parameters. The model input includes both drug- and pathogen-related factors, which vary between different scenarios. The
- 623 framework was used to simulate different treatment schedules of two-week multi-drug treatments using D<sub>A</sub> and D<sub>B</sub> for n patients. In the
- 624 example a three-day cycling treatment regimen (PK panel) is simulated for six patients. The resulting patient-specific bacterial profiles are
- 625 shown in the PD panel. Resistance was evaluated for each patient and bacterial subpopulation at the end of treatment (EoT), for which the
- 626 corresponding probability of resistance (PoR) was calculated.
- 627 Figure 3. MIC-specific PK-PD relationships. A: Initial pharmacokinetic (PK) profiles of mono or multi-drug treatments using two hypothetical
- 628 antibiotics D<sub>A</sub> (turquoise) and D<sub>B</sub> (purple) where both drugs follow one-compartmental kinetics with first order elimination. The drugs were
- 629 administrated intravenously twice daily according to four different treatment schedules (columns), including non-reparative sequential

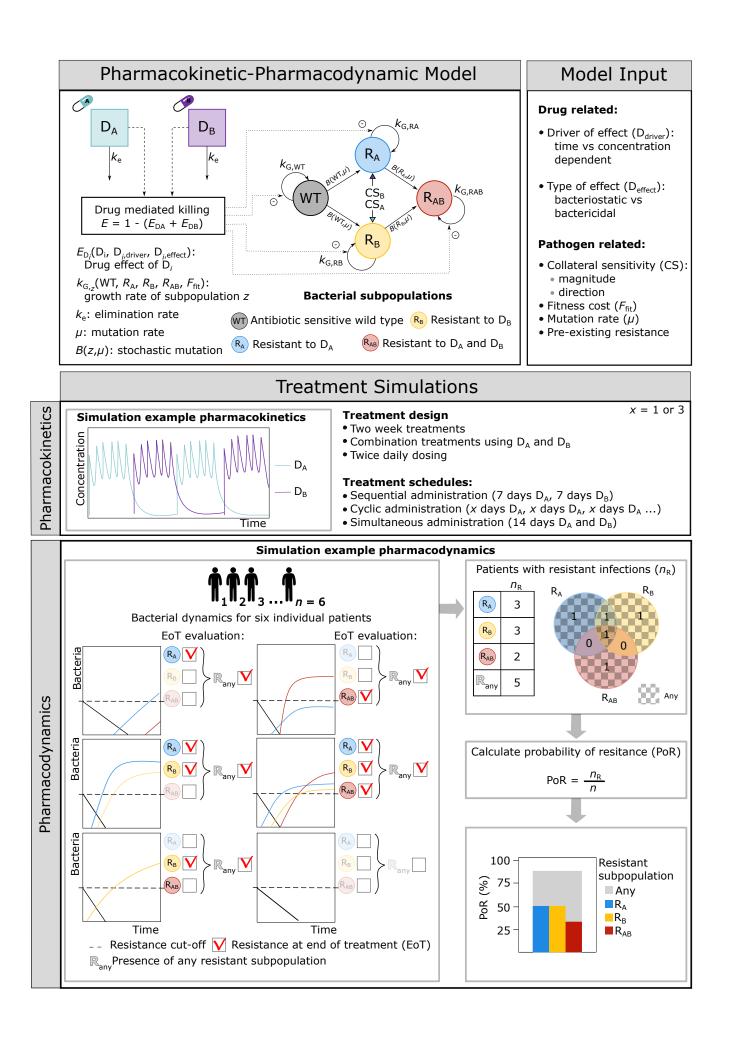
- 630 administration, repetitive cycling administration, and simulations administration. Dosages used were related to average steady state
- 631 concentration of 1.5 mg/L (1.5 x MIC<sub>WT</sub>) or 0.75mg/L (0.75 x MIC<sub>WT</sub>) for simultaneous dosing. **B**: Pharmacodynamic profiles related to different
- treatment schedules using different antibiotic drug types including concentration- (Hill = 3, red) or time- (Hill = 0.5, blue) dependent antibiotics
- 633 and bactericidal (*G*<sub>min</sub> = -3, solid) and bacteriostatic (*G*<sub>min</sub> = -1, dashed), where the effect is representing the proportional bacterial growth
- 634 inhibition/killing of different bacterial phenotypes (rows). The bacterial phenotypes are associated with different sensitivities towards D<sub>A</sub> and
- 635 D<sub>B</sub>. The effect is driven by the PK profile shown in panel A according to Equation 9 and 10.
- 636 Figure 4. The effect of treatment design and antibiotic in relation to different levels of collateral sensitivity (CS) on the probability of
- 637 resistance (PoR) at end of treatment. The simulations show that CS had a profound impact on resistance development for treatments with
- 638 concentration dependent antibiotics with one-day cycling interval or simultaneous administration. A-P: PoR was estimated at end of treatment
- 639 for treatments using different designs (columns) and antibiotic types (rows), where each simulated scenario was realized 500 times.
- 640 Subpopulation-specific PoR are indicated by different colour and R<sub>Any</sub>, defined as the presence of any resistant subpopulation, is indicated in
- 641 grey. Data are presented as mean PoR with the error bars represent the standard error of the estimation. **Q**: Bacterial dynamics relating to
- 642 different treatment schedules using concentration-dependent bacteriostatic drugs , where each simulation was realized n=500 times.
- 643 Subpopulation-specific bacterial density are indicated by different colours, where the solid lines indicate the median and the shaded area
- 644 covers the 5<sup>th</sup>-95<sup>th</sup> percentiles of the predictions. The resistance cut-off (dashed line) is used for end of treatment evaluation of resistance.
- Figure 5. The effect of the direction or reciprocally of collateral sensitivity (CS) on end of treatment probability of resistance (PoR). PoR was estimated at end of treatment for different CS scenarios using concentration dependent bacteriostatic drugs. Subpopulation-specific PoR is indicated by different colour and R<sub>Any</sub> resistance, defined as the presence of any resistant subpopulation, is indicated in grey. Each simulated scenario was realized n=500 times. Data are presented as mean PoR with the error bars represent the standard error of the estimation. For the one-day cycling regimen it became evident that the CS towards the second administrated drug (D<sub>B</sub>) was driving the effect, CS-based dosing using simulations administration of concentration dependent antibiotics showed that reciprocity is necessary to supress overall resistance.
- Figure 6. The effect of using different antibiotic types during one-day cycling multi-drug treatments in relation to different levels of

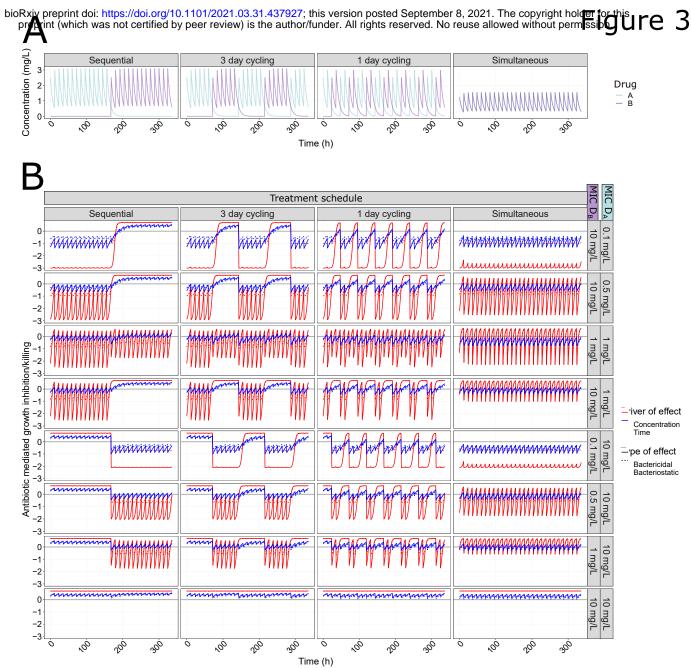
collateral sensitivity (CS) on the probability of resistance (PoR) at the end of treatment. The simulations showed that initiating treatment with a time-dependent antibiotic was more effective in supressing resistance than with a concentration-dependent antibiotic in the presence of reciprocal CS. Each simulated scenario was realized n=500 times. PoR was estimated at the end of treatment for one-day cycling regimen with different antibiotic combinations. Subpopulation-specific PoR is indicated by different colour and R<sub>Any</sub>, defined as the presence of any resistant subpopulation, is indicated in grey. Data are presented as mean PoR with the error bars represent the standard error of the estimation.

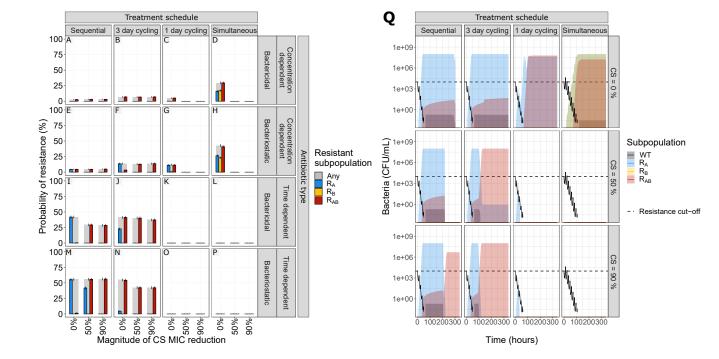
Figure 7. The effect of antibiotic steady state concentrations (C<sub>ss</sub>) in relation to different levels of collateral sensitivity (CS) on the probability of resistance at the end of treatment (PoR). The simulation revealed that CS had the largest impact on PoR for C<sub>ss</sub> close to MIC of the wild type strain (MIC<sub>WT</sub>). C<sub>ss</sub> was expressed as factor difference from the MIC<sub>WT</sub>. For the dosing regimen using simultaneous administrated antibiotics the C<sub>ss</sub> represent the total antibiotic C<sub>ss</sub>, where the individual antibiotics were dosed at 0.5 x C<sub>ss</sub>. PoR of R<sub>Any</sub>, defined as the presence of any

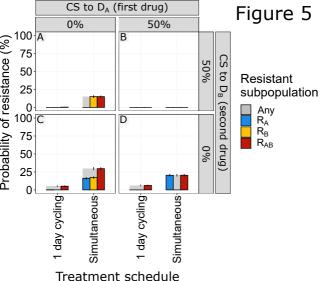
- resistant subpopulation, was estimated at the end of treatment for treatments using different designs (columns) and antibiotic types (rows).
- 663 Each simulated scenario was realized n=500 times. Colour and line-type indicate the magnitude of reciprocal CS simulated. Data are presented
- as mean PoR with the error bars represent the standard error of the estimation..
- 665 Figure 8. The effect of fitness costs for developing resistance for different levels of collateral sensitivity effects on the probability of
- 666 resistance (PoR). PoR of RANY, defined as the presence of any resistant subpopulation, was estimated at end of treatment for treatments using
- different designs (columns) and antibiotic types (rows). Colour and line-type indicate the magnitude of reciprocal CS simulated. Each simulated
- 668 scenario was realized n=500 times. Data are presented as mean PoR with the error bars represent the standard error of the estimation.
- 669 Figure 9. The effect of pre-existing resistant mutants for different magnitudes of collateral sensitivity on the probability of resistance (PoR).
- 670 PoR was estimated at the end of treatment for different scenarios of low levels of pre-existing resistance (columns) and antibiotic types
- 671 (rows). Subpopulation-specific probability of resistance is indicated by colour and PoR of R<sub>Any</sub>, defined as the presence of any resistant
- 672 subpopulation, is indicated in grey. Each simulated scenario was realized n=500 times. Data are presented as mean PoR with the error bars
- 673 represent the standard error of the estimation.
- Figure 10. The effect of increased mutation rate for different CS magnitudes on the probability of resistance (PoR). The combined impact of
- 675 mutation rate and the CS on PoR was dependent on treatment schedule. PoR of R<sub>Any</sub>, defined as the presence of any resistant subpopulation,
- 676 was estimated at the end of treatment for treatments using different designs (columns) and antibiotic types (rows) for different mutation rates
- 677 (x-axis). Each simulated scenario was realized n=500 times. Colour and line-type indicate the magnitude of reciprocal CS simulated. Data are
- 678 presented as mean PoR with the error bars represent the standard error of the estimation.











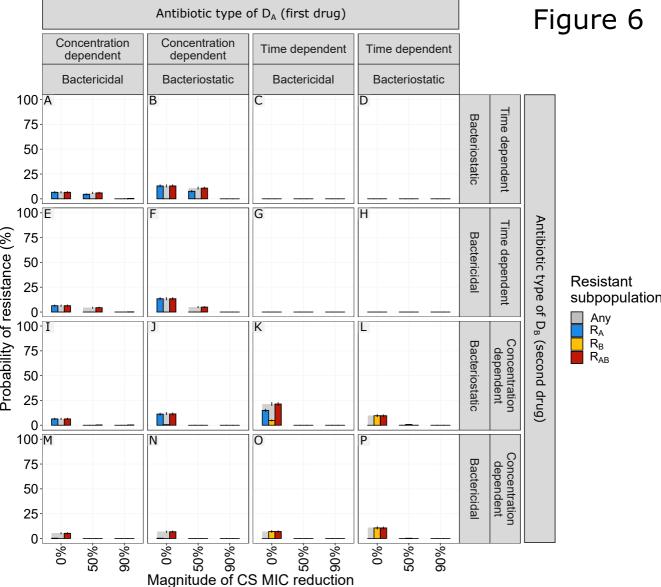


Figure 6

Any

RA

 $R_B$ 

R<sub>AB</sub>

