## Evaluation of pyrazolopyrimidines as MurC inhibitors received in 2024 (Yuhang) and

IC50 determination of OSA compounds as *P. aeruginosa* MurC and MurF inhibitors received in May and July, 2023 (Yiwei)

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Side by side comparison of all IC50s for all Mur ligases challenged with this compound set

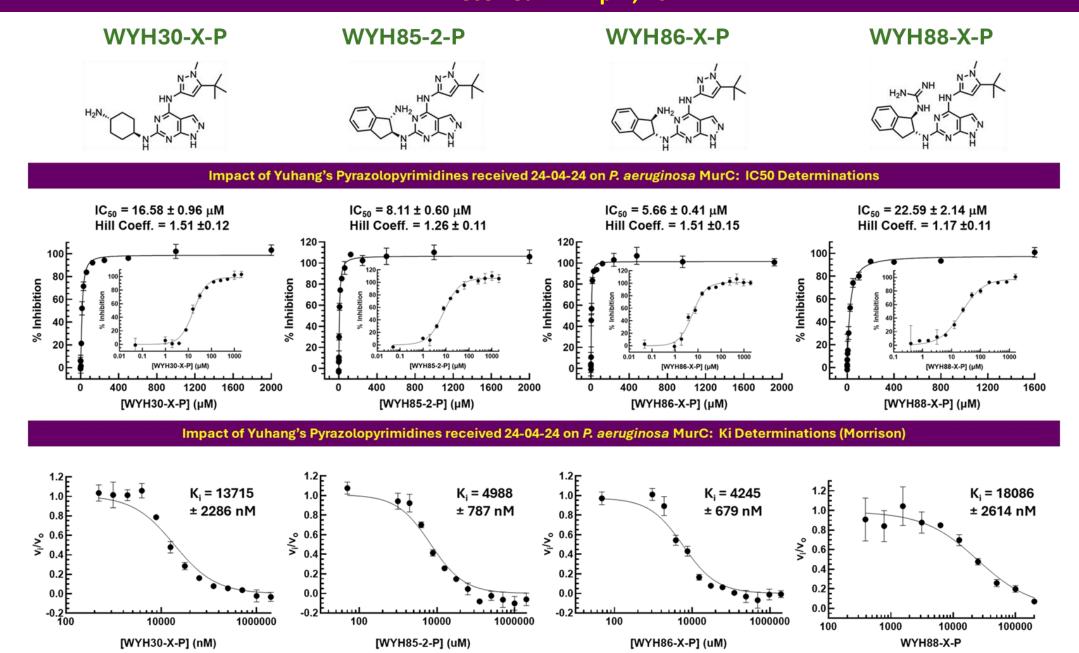
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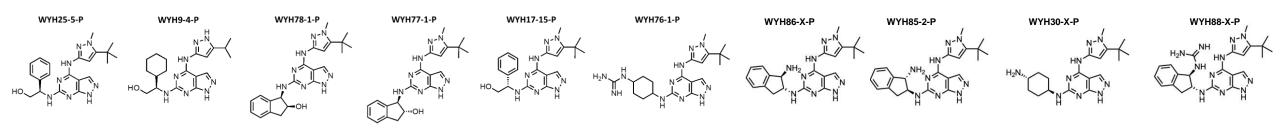
#### Further evaluation of pyrazolopyrimidines as *P. aeruginosa* MurC inhibitors (Yuhang)

#### MurC Assay:

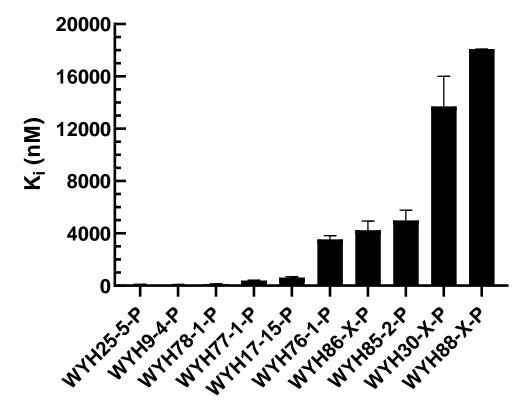
Assays were performed at 30°C in a 10 µl volume/384 well format, containing 50 mM MOPS, 10 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 0.5 mM inosine, 2.5 mM.min<sup>-1</sup> *Arthrobacter* sp. xanthine oxidase, 20 mM.min<sup>-1</sup> horse radish peroxidase, 50 µM amplex Red, 2.64 mM.min<sup>-1</sup> *E. coli* purine nucleoside phosphorylase, 60 µM ATP (where added), 0.1 mM UDP-MurNAc, 15.1 nM *P. aeruginosa* MurC and 5mM L-alanine. WYH compounds were added from 43, 48 or 49 mM stocks in DMSO, where the final concentrations of DMSO and compound were 1.16 % (v/v) and in the range 0.49 to 1600, 1920 or 2000 µM as indicated. Controls without compound contained 1.16% (v/v) DMSO. Per compound concentration , MurC was assayed in three wells where reaction was initiated by addition of ATP and in three wells where reaction (control) was initiated by water. The fluorescent product of the reaction cascade (resorufin – derived from amplex red) was continuously monitored from above the well at an excitation and emission wavelength of 545 nm and 585 nm respectively in a Varioskan Lux plate reader. Percentage inhibition was related to compound concentration using a four parameter model from the standard equation menu in GraphPad Prism 9.1 to yield estimates of IC<sub>50</sub> values and Hill coefficients. Data were further fitted to the Morrison equation for tight binding inhibitors assuming ATP-competitive inhibition (GraphPad 9.1 standard equation menu), to extract estimates of compound K<sub>i</sub>.



### Characterization of *P. aeruginosa* MurC inhibition by Yuhang's free amine and guanidinium derivative pyrazolopyrimidines received 24<sup>th</sup> April, 2024 and previous derivatives sent in February 2024



Compound	Received	$IC_{50} (\mu M) \pm SD (n = 3)$	Hill Coeff. ± SD (n = 3)	$K_i(nM) \pm SD(n=3)$
WYH25-5-P	February	0.115 ± 0.022	0.68 ± 0.08	89.8 ± 13.1
WYH9-4-P	February	0.143 ± 0.024	1.03 ± 0.15	74.5 ± 15.2
WYH78-1-P	February	0.200 ± 0.022	1.38 ± 0.17	123 ± 15.4
WYH77-1-P	February	0.663 ± 0.057	1.21 ± 0.12	391 ± 32.4
WYH17-15-P	February	1.061 ± 0.197	0.77 ± 0.10	618 ± 78.9
WYH76-1-P	February	4.778 ± 0.463	$0.96 \pm 0.08$	3540 ± 287
WYH86-X-P	April	5.660 ± 0.410	1.51 ± 0.15	4245 ± 697
WYH85-2-P	April	8.110 ± 0.600	1.26 ± 0.11	4988 ± 787
WYH30-X-P	April	16.58 ± 0.960	1.51 ± 0.12	13715 ± 2286
WYH88-X-P	April	22.59 ± 2.140	1.17 ± 0.11	18086 ± 13.1



**Pyrazolopyrimidine** 

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98.66 ± 1.02	97.38 ± 1.47	96.29 ± 2.04	96.12 ± 1.50	92.73 ± 2.56	92.26 ± 10.00
N-NH H S N	N-N H S N S N	N NH <sub>2</sub>	NC NH <sub>2</sub>	O O O O O	N'S O
OSA_001147	OSA_001145	SOSA_001133	OSA_001132	OSA_001167	OSA_001159
91.91 ± 7.38	91.12 ± 1.33	88.08 ± 1.17	86.36 ± 2.21	86.16 ± 2.56	84.76 ± 4.99
NS S	NH N	N-N H O N	N H O NH <sub>2</sub>	NH N	NH NH NH NH
OSA_001160	OSA_001164	OSA_001148	OSA_001156	OSA_001155	OSA_001168
83.75 ± 2.04	83.66 ± 3.47	82.82 ± 2.54	82.41 ± 0.98	81.51 ± 1.68	76.69 ± 2.75
N S N NH	H O NH <sub>2</sub>	O N F F	The state of the s	-0-N+ N-0-NH	S N S N
∨ Ö OSA_001136	OSA_001153	OSA_001169	OSA_001141	OSA_001172	OSA_001149
75.71 ± 6.33	68.73 ± 5.65	63.28 ± 8.09	63.24 ± 4.05	61.81 ± 3.61	53.55 ± 7.96
S O O N NH	S N S N	S N S N	S O O O NH	N S O H O S S O O	N O O O
Ö OSA_001134	OSA_001150	OSA_001151	OSA_001135	OSA_001142	OSA_001157

Mean ± SD (n=3) of percentage inhibition relative to vehicle (DMSO) shown above each structure.

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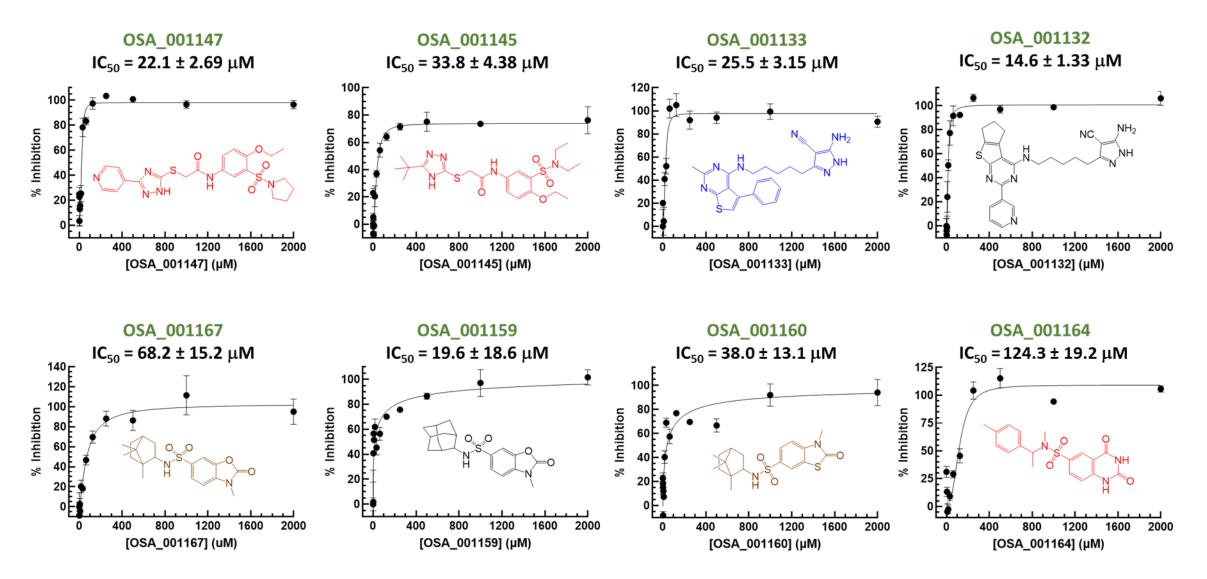
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OSA\_descriptors below each structure as supplied.

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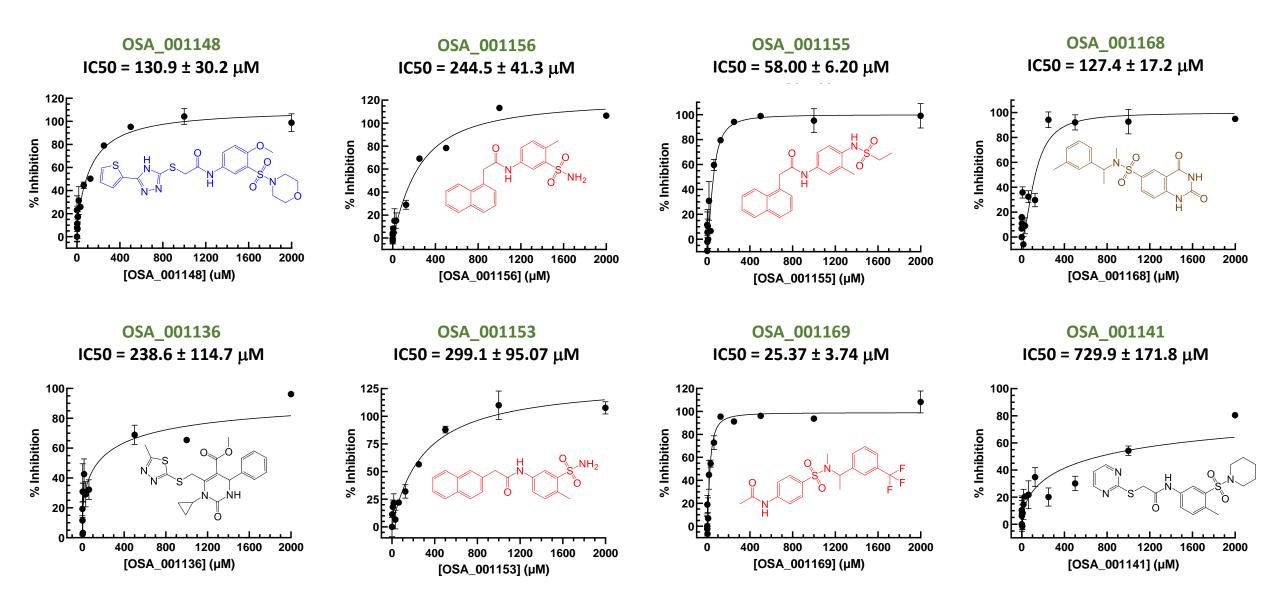
Compound	IC50 (μM ± SD)(n = 3)	Hill Coefficient	Original Hit % Inhibition at 0.5 mM
ADPCP	0.38±0.04	1.50 ± 0.23	95.5 ± 1.98
OSA_001147	22.1± 2.69	2.67±0.73	98.7 ± 1.02
OSA_001145	33.8± 4.38	1.81± 0.37	97.4 ± 1.47
OSA_001133	25.5 ± 3.15	2.52±0.67	96.3 ± 2.04
OSA_001132	14.6± 1.33	1.73 ± 0.24	96.1 ± 1.50
OSA_001167	68.2±15.2	1.24±0.31	92.7 ± 2.56
OSA_001159	19.6± 18.6	0.45 ± 0.14	92.3 ± 10.0
OSA_001160	38.0 ± 13.1	0.67±0.13	91.9 ± 7.38
OSA_001164	124.3 ± 19.2	2.63 ± 0.96	91.1 ± 1.33
OSA_001148	130.9 ± 30.2	1.04 ± 0.20	88.1 ± 1.17
OSA_001156	244.5 ± 41.3	1.21±0.22	86.4 ± 2.21
OSA_001155	58.00 ± 6.20	1.74±0.29	86.2 ± 2.56
OSA_001168	127.4± 17.2	1.82±0.39	84.8 ± 4.99
OSA_001136	238.6± 114.7	0.62±0.16	83.8 ± 2.04
OSA_001153	299.1± 95.07	1.00 ± 0.18	83.7 ± 3.47
OSA_001169	25.37 ± 3.74	1.48±0.29	82.8 ± 2.54
OSA_001141	729.9± 171.8	0.58±0.08	82.4 ± 0.98
OSA_001172	73.82± 182.9	0.31±0.11	81.5 ± 1.68
OSA_001149	140.1± 27.54	0.77± 0.10	76.7 ± 2.75
OSA_001134	132.0 ± 23.54	1.04 ± 0.19	75.7± 6.33
OSA_001150	184.0 ± 25.6	1.00 ± 0.12	68.7 ± 5.65
OSA_001151	80.00±93.02	0.38±0.10	63.3 ± 8.09
OSA_001135	422.3± 157.2	1.21±0.33	63.2 ± 4.05
OSA_001142	109.8 ± 17.5	0.96±0.13	61.8 ± 6.61
OSA_001157	423.9±66.02	1.27±0.24	53.55 ± 7.96

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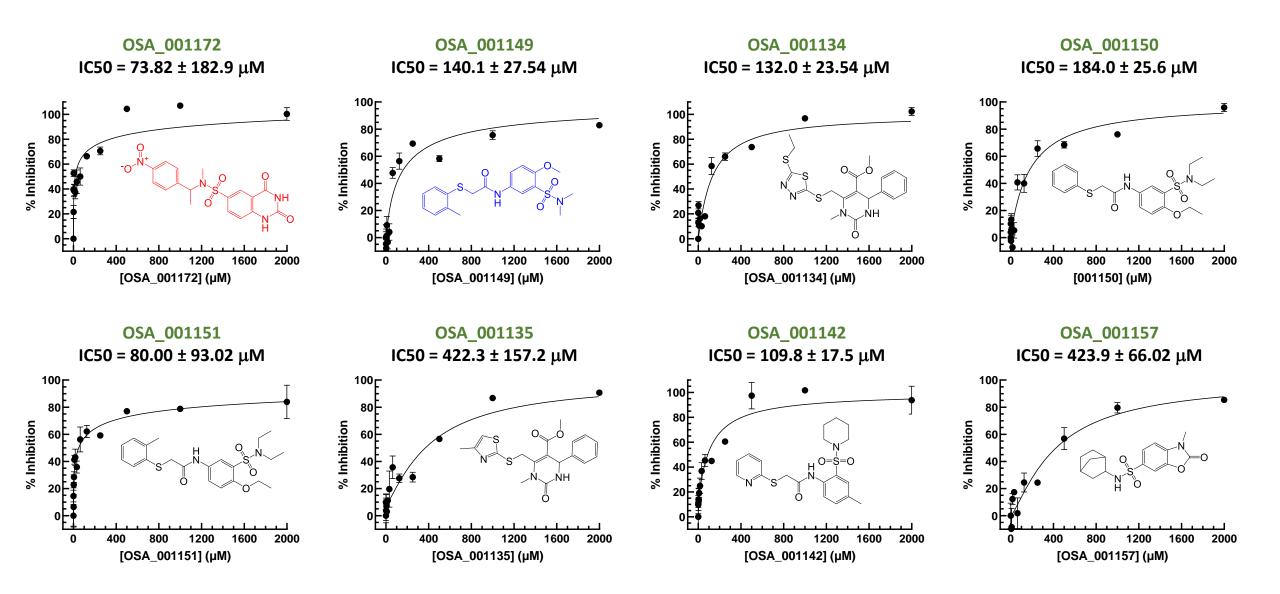


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## Inhibition of *P. aeruginosa* MurC by Atomwise hits from compound set delivered on the 23<sup>rd</sup> May and 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2023: IC50 relationships within structurally similar inhibitors

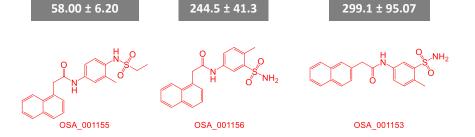
IC50 ( $\mu$ M) ± SD (n = 3)

#### **Acyl thio-N-Phenyl acetamides**

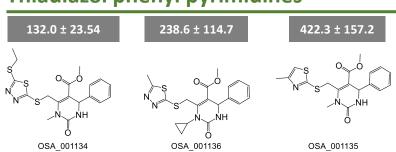
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#### Napthyl phenyl sulfonamides

73.82 ± 182.9



#### Thiadiazol phenyl pyrimidines



#### **Amino pentyl pyrazoles**

14.6 ± 1.33

NC NH<sub>2</sub>
NH
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OSA\_001133

#### Tetrahydroquinazoline-6-sulfonamides

OSA\_001172 OSA\_001164 OSA\_001168

124.3 ± 19.2

127.4 ± 17.2

#### Acyl benzoxazole sulfonamides

19.6  $\pm$  18.6 38.0  $\pm$  13.1 68.2  $\pm$  15.2 423.9  $\pm$  66.02 OSA\_001159 OSA\_001160 OSA\_001167 OSA\_001157

#### **Sulfamoyl phenyl acetamides**

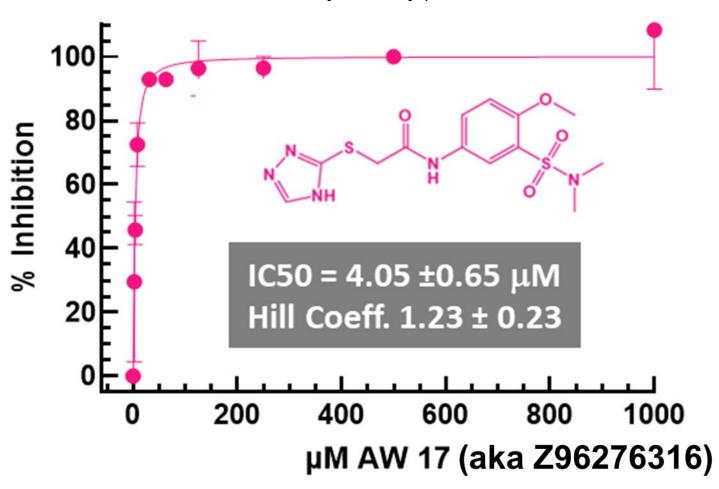
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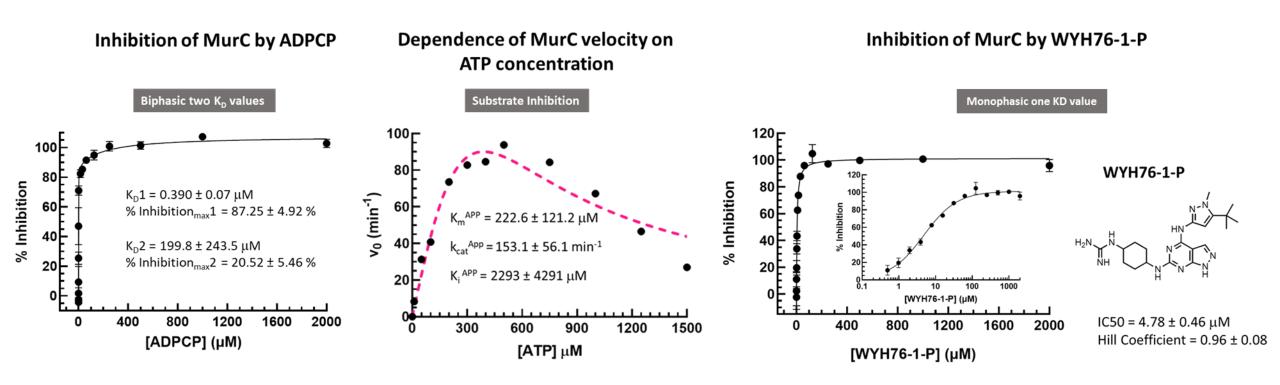
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# Acyl thio-N-Phenyl acetamide previously identified in a previous screen of Atomwise compounds delivered in June 2021 and reported on 13-09-22

N-[3-(dimethylsulfamoyl)-4-methoxyphenyl]-2-(4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-ylsulfanyl)acetamide



### Characterization of interaction of *P. aeruginosa* MurC with ATP substrate or ADPCP (ATP analogue) inhibitor

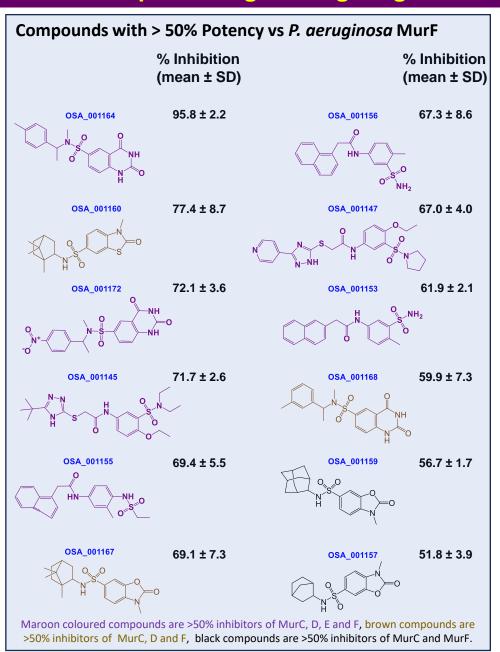


Data suggest that ADPCP mimics ATP in that it binds in two different ways to MurC, in contrast to the behaviour of the pyrazolopyrimidines

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#### **MurF** Assay:

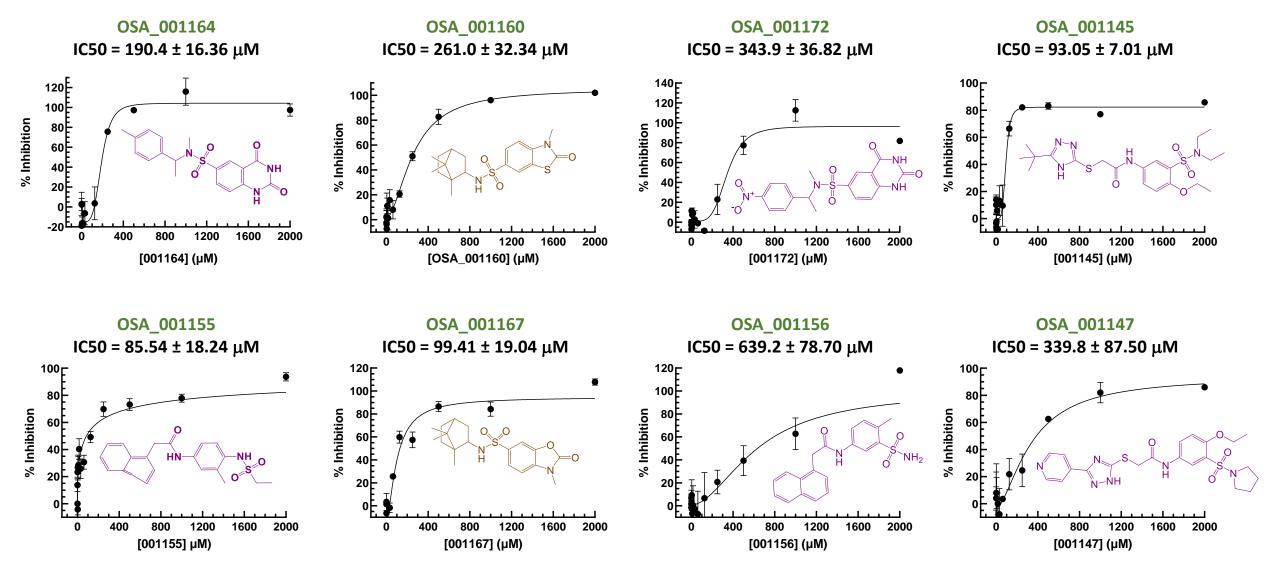
Assays were performed at 30°C in a 10 µl volume/384 well format, containing 50 mM MOPS, 10 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> 0.5 mM inosine, 2.5 mM.min<sup>-1</sup> Arthrobacter sp. xanthine oxidase, 20 mM.min<sup>-1</sup> horse radish peroxidase, 50 μM amplex Red, 2.64 mM.min<sup>-1</sup> E. coli purine nucleoside phosphorylase, 20.1 µM ATP, 0.1 mM UDP-MurNAc-L-Ala-γ-D-Glu-meso-Diaminopimelate, 55.8 nM *P. aeruginosa* MurF and where added, 1 mM D-alanyl-D-alanine. OSA compounds were added from 50 mM stocks in DMSO, where the final concentrations of DMSO and compound were 1 % (v/v) and 0.5 mM respectively. Controls without compound contained 1% (v/v) DMSO. ADPCP if added was at 0.4 mM. Per compound/DMSO/ADPCP, MurF was assayed in three wells where reaction was initiated by addition of D-alanyl-D-alanine and in three wells where reaction (control) was initiated by water. The fluorescent product of the reaction cascade (resorufin – derived from amplex red) was continuously monitored from above the well at an excitation and emission wavelength of 545 nm and 585 nm respectively in a Varioskan Lux plate reader.



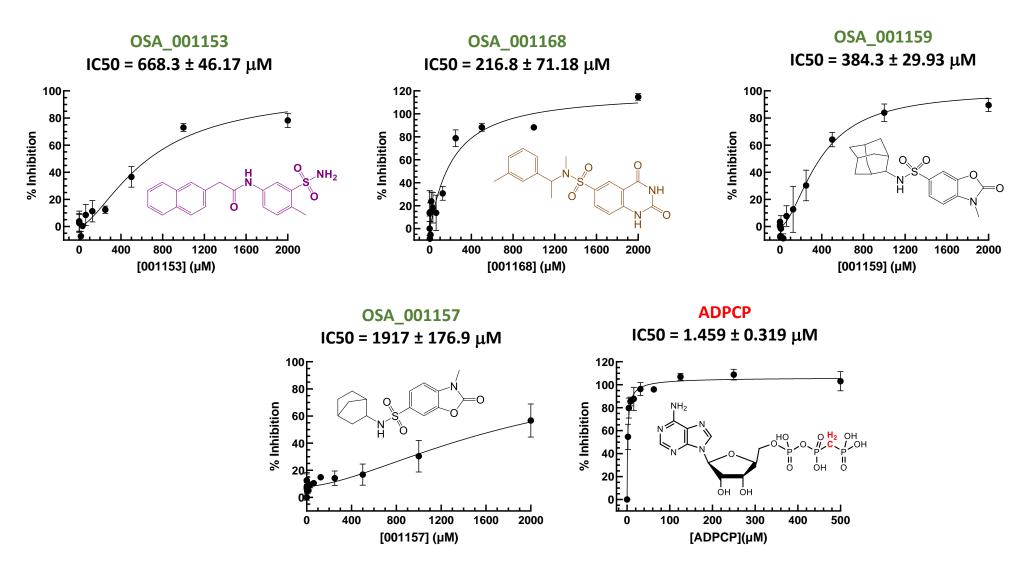
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Compound	IC50 (μM ± SD) (n=3)	Hill Coefficient	Original Hit % Inhibition at 0.5 mM
ADPCP	1.459 ± 0.32	0.78 ± 0.32	91.5 ± 1.7
OSA_001164	190.4 ± 16.36	4.21 ± 0.97	95.8 ± 2.2
OSA_001160	261.0 ± 32.34	1.80 ± 0.33	77.4 ± 8.7
OSA_001172	343.9 ± 36.82	4.31 ± 1.25	72.1 ± 3.6
OSA_001145	93.05 ± 7.01	4.76 ± 1.04	71.7 ± 2.6
OSA_001155	85.54 ± 18.24	0.49 ± 0.05	69.4 ± 5.5
OSA_001167	99.41 ± 19.04	1.49 ± 0.36	69.1 ± 7.3
OSA_001156	639.2 ± 78.70	1.85 ± 0.42	67.3 ± 8.6
OSA_001147	339.8 ± 87.50	1.59 ± 0.49	67.0 ± 4.0
OSA_001153	668.3 ± 46.17	2.83 ± 0.16	61.9 ± 2.1
OSA_001168	216.8 ± 71.18	1.09 ± 0.25	59.9 ± 7.3
OSA_001159	384.3 ± 29.93	1.75 ± 0.22	56.7 ± 1.7
OSA_001157	1917 ± 176.9	1.60 ± 0.27	51.8 ± 3.9

## Characterization of inhibition of *P. aeruginosa* MurF by Atomwise hits from compound set delivered on the 23<sup>rd</sup> May and 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2023: Dose Response Curves (1)



### Characterization of inhibition of *P. aeruginosa* MurF by Atomwise hits from compound set delivered on the 23<sup>rd</sup> May and 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2023: Dose Response Curves (2)



Maroon coloured compounds are >50% inhibitors of MurC, D, E and F, brown compounds are >50% inhibitors of MurC, D and F, black compounds are >50% inhibitors of MurC and MurF.

### Collated IC50s of *P. aeruginosa* MurC, D, E and F vs all OSA Compounds exerting more than 50 % inhibition at 0.5 mM sent by Yiwei Wang on the 23<sup>rd</sup> May and 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2023

Compound	IC50 vs Pseudomonas aeruginosa Mur Ligase									
	Mı	urC	M	urD	M	lurE	M	lurF		
	IC50 (μM)	Hill Coefficient	IC50 (μM)	Hill Coefficient	IC50 (μM)	Hill Coefficient	IC50 (μM)	Hill Coefficient		
ADPCP	$0.38 \pm 0.04$	1.50 ± 0.23	49.03 ± 4.88	1.10 ± 0.11	0.35 ± 0.08	0.68 ± 0.09	1.46 ± 0.32	0.78 ± 0.32		
OSA_001147	22.1 ± 2.69	2.67 ± 0.73	548.1 ± 132	1.15 ± 0.31	588.4 ± 117	0.53 ± 0.07	339.8 ± 87.50	1.59 ± 0.49		
OSA_001145	38.8 ± 4.38	1.81 ± 0.37	615.3 ± 200	0.35 ± 0.06	36.6 ± 8.76	0.46 ± 0.05	93.05 ± 7.01	4.76 ± 1.04		
OSA_001133	25.5 ± 3.15	2.52 ± 0.67			5093 ±3091	0.27 ± 0.06				
OSA_001132	14.6 ± 1.33	1.73 ± 0.24								
OSA_001167	68.2 ± 15.2	1.24 ± 0.31	538.0 ± 109	0.95± 0.19			99.41 ± 19.04	1.49 ± 0.36		
OSA_001159	19.6 ± 18.6	$0.45 \pm 0.14$					384.3 ± 29.93	1.75 ± 0.22		
OSA_001160	38.0 ± 13.1	$0.67 \pm 0.13$	253.0 ± 45.0	0.67 ± 0.08			261.0 ± 32.34	1.80 ± 0.33		
OSA_001164	124.3 ± 19.2	2.63 ± 0.96	232.2 ± 40.1	$0.81 \pm 0.11$	442.1 ± 80.0	1.73 ± 0.38	190.4 ± 16.36	4.21 ± 0.97		
OSA_001148	130.9 ± 30.2	$1.04 \pm 0.20$			392.2 ± 67.1	0.57 ± 0.07				
OSA_001156	224.5 ± 41.3	1.21 ± 0.22	378.5 ± 58.0	1.12 ± 0.18	2667 ± 945	$0.39 \pm 0.08$	639.2 ± 78.70	1.85 ± 0.42		
OSA_001155	58.0 ± 6.20	1.74 ± 0.29	713.1 ± 132	1.16 ± 0.25	267.3 ± 47.3	0.68 ± 0.09	85.54 ± 18.24	0.49 ± 0.05		
OSA_001168	127.4 ± 17.2	1.82 ± 0.39	441.4 ± 51.4	1.74 ± 0.31			216.8 ± 71.18	1.09 ± 0.25		
OSA_001136	238.6 ± 114.7	$0.62 \pm 0.16$								
OSA_001153	299.1 ± 95.07	$1.00 \pm 0.18$	722.1 ± 135	1.12 ± 0.25	950.6 ± 150	$0.82 \pm 0.13$	668.3 ± 46.17	2.83 ± 0.16		
OSA_001169	25.37 ± 3.74	1.48 ± 0.29	24581 ± 22981	$0.41 \pm 0.12$	56.32 ±23.39	0.25 ± 0.026				
OSA_001141	729.9 ±171.8	0.58 ± 0.08								
OSA_001172	73.82 ±182.9	$0.31 \pm 0.11$	426.2 ± 188	1.12 ± 0.32	679.3 ± 64.0	2.66 ± 0.55	343.9 ± 36.82	4.31 ± 1.25		
OSA_001149	140.1 ± 27.54	0.77 ± 0.10			351.9 ± 94.1	$0.48 \pm 0.08$				
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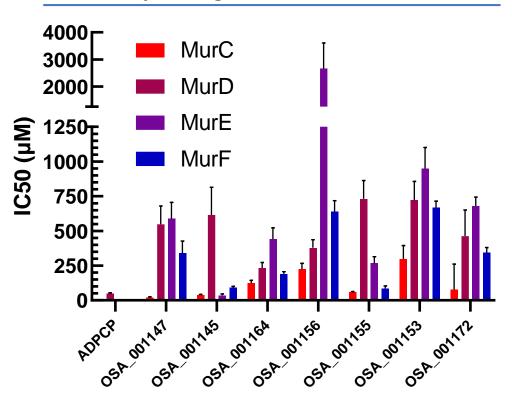
All data are mean ± SD for triplicate data. Gaps indicate that that particular inhibitor/ligase combination failed to register greater than 50 % inhibition at 0.5 mM OSA compound in the initial screen.

### Comparison of potency of 0.5 mM OSA Compounds sent by Yiwei Wang on the 23<sup>rd</sup> May and 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2023 targeting *P. aeruginosa* MurC, D, E and F vs. their corresponding IC50 values

#### Previous single shot 0.5 mM compound inhibition data

Compound (0.5 mM)	% Inhibition (mean ± SD (n = 3);								
	P. aeruginosa MurC	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> MurD	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> MurE	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> MurF					
OSA_001147	98.7 ± 1.0	60.4 ± 2.6	55.9 ± 6.3	67.0 ± 4.0					
OSA_001145	97.4 ± 1.5	108.9 ± 15.1	67.3 ± 0.8	71.7 ± 2.6					
OSA_001164	91.1 ± 1.3	89.4 ± 9.8	76.0 ± 9.0	95.8 ± 2.2					
OSA_001156	86.4 ± 2.2	69.6 ± 9.5	56.1 ± 5.8	67.3 ± 8.6					
OSA_001155	86.2 ± 2.6	87.9 ± 4.3	69.3 ± 4.0	69.4 ± 5.5					
OSA_001153	83.7 ± 3.5	75.0 ± 3.1	55.0 ± 5.6	61.9 ± 2.0					
OSA_001172	81.5 ± 1.7	72.7 ± 6.2	78.0 ± 8.4	72.1 ± 3.6					

#### **Corresponding IC50 determinations**



- Clearly, for all OSA compounds, exerting >50% inhibition in the initial screen at 0.5 mM, MurC is more susceptible to inhibition than MurD, E and F as determined by IC50.
- Of the seven OSA compounds that targeted all ligases, the IC50 values were clearly lowest for MurC (top right).
- Single, (MurC) Dual (MurC and E, MurC and F) or triple targeting (MurC, E and F) with IC50 values below 100 μM were observed

### Single, doubly and triply targeting OSA Compounds sent by Yiwei Wang on the 23<sup>rd</sup> May and 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2023 targeting *P. aeruginosa* MurC, E and F as triaged at a maximum IC50 of 100 μM

Notably, MurD is not targeted by any OSA compound with an IC50 below 100  $\mu M$ 

Compound		Sub 100 μM IC50 vs <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> Mur Ligase										Targeting	
	Mı	ırC	MurD			MurE			MurF				
	IC50 (μM)	Hill Coefficient	IC50 (μ	ıΜ)	Hill Coe	efficient	IC50	(μ <b>M</b> )	Hill Coe	efficient	IC50 (μM)	Hill Coefficient	
OSA_001145	38.8 ± 4.38	1.81 ± 0.37	<b>←</b> I	C50 ≥ :	100 μΜ		36.6 ±	8.76	0.46	± 0.05	93.05 ± 7.01	4.76 ± 1.04	Triple (C,E,F)
OSA_001133	25.5 ± 3.15	2.52 ± 0.67	<del></del>					IC50 ≥ 1	L00 μM			<b></b>	Single
OSA_001132	14.6 ± 1.33	1.73 ± 0.24	<b></b>					IC50 ≥ 1	ιοο μΜ			<b></b>	Single
OSA_001159	19.6 ± 18.6	0.45 ± 0.14	<b>←</b>					I <b>C50</b> ≥ 1	100 μM				Single
OSA_001160	38.0 ± 13.1	0.67 ± 0.13	<del></del>					IC50 ≥ 1	100 μΜ			<del></del>	Single
OSA_001155	58.0 ± 6.20	1.74 ± 0.29	<del></del>			IC50 ≥ 1	.00 μM			<del></del>	85.54 ± 18.24	0.49 ± 0.05	Double (C,F)
OSA_001169	25.37 ± 3.74	1.48 ± 0.29	<b>←</b>	C50 ≥	100 μΜ	<b>→</b>	56.32 ±	£23.39	0.25 ±	0.026			Double (C,E)
OSA_001151	80.00 ± 93.02	0.38 ± 0.10	<b>←</b>					IC50 ≥ 1	100 μM			<b></b>	Single

