

## Supplementary information

### **Metabolic suppression identifies new antibacterial inhibitors under nutrient limitation**

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## SUPPLEMENTARY RESULTS

### 1. SUPPLEMENTARY TABLES

Supplementary Table 1. Small molecule screening data

Category	Parameter	Description
<b>Assay</b>	Type of assay	Cell-based
	Target	Whole organism <i>E. coli</i> K-12 MG1655
	Primary measurement	Measurement of optical density at 600 nm
	Assay protocol	Online methods section 'Primary screen in minimal media'
<b>Library</b>	Library size	29,569
	Library composition	Synthetic small molecules, off-patent FDA approved molecules, natural products and known bioactives
	Source	Maybridge, ChemBridge, BioMol, Prestwick, Sigma, MicroSource
	Additional comments	Library stock concentration: 250 $\mu$ M in 25% DMSO
<b>Screen</b>	Format	96-well plates (Costar), 3 replicates
	Concentration(s) tested	10 $\mu$ M, 0.2% DMSO
	Plate controls	High controls: 0.2% DMSO Low controls: 10 $\mu$ g/ml of norfloxacin
	Reagent/ compound dispensing system	Biomek FX liquid handler (Beckman Coulter Inc., Fullerton, CA)
	Detection instrument and software	Envision (Perkin Elmer, Waltham, MA)
	Assay validation/QC	Average (n=3) Z' score: 0.8
	Correction factors	Optical density readings are background corrected
Normalization	% Residual growth calculated based on the high and low controls	
<b>Post-HTS analysis</b>	Hit criteria	80% Residual growth for the 3 replicate measurements
	Hit rate	1.7%
	Additional assay(s)	Dose-response and MIC determinations
	Confirmation of hit purity and structure	Compounds repurchased and retested, identity of key hits confirmed by LC/MS and NMR

Supplementary Table 2. Defined minimal media composition <sup>a</sup>

Supplement	Final conc. in M9 media (µg/ml)	Notes
<b>Amino Acids</b>		
DL-Alanine	100	
L-Arginine	22	
L-Asparagine	100	
L-Aspartic acid	100	
L-Cysteine	10	
Glycine	100	
L-Glutamic acid	100	
L-Glutamine	100	
L-Histidine	22	
L-Isoleucine	20	
L-Leucine	20	
L-Lysine	88	
L-Methionine	20	
L-Phenylalanine	20	Prepare in 0.001 N NaOH
L-Proline	30	
L-Serine	100	
L-Threonine	80	
L-Tryptophan	20	
L-Tyrosine	20	Prepare in 0.01 N NaOH
L-Valine	40	
<b>Purines &amp; Pyrimidines</b>		
Adenine (A)	40	Prepare in 0.03 N HCl
Thymidine (T)	5	
Uracil (U)	40	
Guanosine (G)	40	
<b>Vitamins</b>		
Biotin (B7)	0.5	
Niacin (B3)	1	

<b>Pantothenic acid (B5)</b>	1	
<b>Pyridoxine (B6)</b>	1	
<b>Thiamine (B1)</b>	1	
<b>Riboflavin (B2)</b>	200	
<b>PABA</b>	2	
<b>Cobalamin (B12)</b>	10	
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<b>Other intermediates</b>		
<b>2,6- Diaminopimelate (DAP)</b>	100	
<b>L-Homoserine</b>	20	
<b>5-Aminolevulinic acid (5-ALA)</b>	25	
<b>3- Dehydroquinate (DHQ)</b>	100	
<b>Shikimate (SHIK)</b>	100	
<b>4-Hydroxybenzoate (4-HBA)</b>	15	
<b>2,3-Dihydroxybenzoate (2,3-DHBA)</b>	2	
<b>Citrulline</b>	15	
<b>Ornithine</b>	15	
<b>Putrescine</b>	20	
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<b>Pools</b>		
<b>M9 ALL</b>		All amino acids, vitamins and nucleobases
<b>AA</b>		All amino acids
<b>VIT</b>		All vitamins
<b>NUC</b>		All nucleobases
<b>AA + VIT</b>		All amino acids and vitamins
<b>AA + NUC</b>		All amino acids and nucleobases
<b>VIT + NUC</b>		All vitamins and nucleobases
<b>PUR</b>		Adenine and guanine
<b>PYR</b>		Thymine and uracil
<b>ARO AA</b>		Tyr, Phe, Trp
<b>ARO</b>		Tyr, Phe, Trp, PABA, 2.3-DHBA, 4-HBA
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<b>Pool 1</b>	Adenine, His, Phe, Gln, Thymine
<b>Pool 2</b>	Guanine, Leu, Tyr, Asn, Ser
<b>Pool 3</b>	Cystine, Ile, Trp, Uracil, Glu
<b>Pool 4</b>	Met, Lys, Thr, Asp, DAP
<b>Pool 5</b>	B1, Val, Pro, Arg, Gly, Ile
<b>Pool 6</b>	Adenine, Guanine, Cystine, Met, B1
<b>Pool 7</b>	His, Leu, Ile, Lys, Val
<b>Pool 8</b>	Phe, Tyr, Trp, Thr, Pro
<b>Pool 9</b>	Gln, Asn, Uracil, Asp, Arg
<b>Pool 10</b>	Thymine, Ser, Glu, DAP, Gly

<b>Trace metal solution</b>	<b>Weight (g) in 100 ml solution</b>	
<b>FeSO<sub>4</sub>·7H<sub>2</sub>O</b>	0.8	
<b>AlCl<sub>3</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O</b>	0.1	
<b>ZnSO<sub>4</sub>·7H<sub>2</sub>O</b>	0.02	
<b>CuCl<sub>2</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O</b>	0.01	Add 0.1 ml of Trace metal solution in 1 L of M9 minimal media
<b>NaMoO<sub>4</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O</b>	0.02	
<b>MnSO<sub>4</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O</b>	0.1	
<b>CoCl<sub>2</sub></b>	0.04	
<b>H<sub>3</sub>BO<sub>4</sub></b>	0.005	

<sup>a</sup> The metabolic suppression array was prepared in the format shown in **Fig. 3a** and in **Supplementary Fig. 4** as a 20× stock plate to be used for metabolic suppression profiling

**Supplementary Table 3. Summary of EC<sub>50</sub> and MIC values of prioritized actives**

Priority Active	Supplier	Cat #	EC <sub>50</sub> (μM) <sup>a</sup>		MIC (μg/ml) <sup>b</sup>	
			M9 <sup>c</sup>	M9 ALL <sup>c</sup>	M9	M9 ALL
MAC-0001907	MayBridge	BR 00067	0.5	17.9	4	16
MAC-0001908	MayBridge	BR 00068	0.6	18.7	8	32
MAC-0001958	MayBridge	BTB 00183	3.1	NI	16	> 256
MAC-0001961	MayBridge	BTB 00187	0.2	25.6	2	32
MAC-0003403	MayBridge	BTB 03305	0.7	NI	16	> 256
MAC-0005562	MayBridge	BTB 07373	1.5	NI	8	> 256
MAC-0006191	MayBridge	BTB 08617	0.6	NI	4	> 256
MAC-0007196	MayBridge	BTB 11383	0.8	NI	8	> 256
MAC-0007606	MayBridge	BTB 12380	5.1	NI	16	256
MAC-0008533	MayBridge	BTB 14373	0.7	13.4	2	64
MAC-0008972	MayBridge	BTB 15053	0.9	NI	8	256
MAC-0154388	MayBridge	CD 00793	1.1	63.3	2	128
MAC-0012416	MayBridge	CD 11546	0.3	13.4	1	16
MAC-0012616	MayBridge	DFP 00022	0.7	36.8	16	64
MAC-0013015	MayBridge	DP 00874	2.8	NI	8	> 256
MAC-0013528	MayBridge	DSHS 00086	0.1	6.8	0.5	64
MAC-0013532	MayBridge	DSHS 00100	2.1	NI	32	> 256
MAC-0013772	MayBridge	DSHS 00862	0.6	NI	4	> 256
MAC-0016505	MayBridge	HTS 00495	0.1	5.4	0.5	> 256
MAC-0018315	MayBridge	HTS 03738	0.2	NI	2	> 256
MAC-0018316	MayBridge	HTS 03741	1.5	NI	32	> 256
MAC-0158077	MayBridge	HTS 08964	0.4	73.6	32	256
MAC-0021596	MayBridge	HTS 09781	0.7	NI	16	> 256
MAC-0021835	MayBridge	JFD 00035	0.5	14.4	4	128
MAC-0023560	MayBridge	JFD 02936	5.5	NI	32	> 256
6-Azauracil	MayBridge	JFD 03556	6.0	NI	4	> 256
MAC-0024165	MayBridge	JFD 03885	0.4	NI	1	> 256
MAC-0024593	MayBridge	KM 00081	0.9	NI	4	> 256
MAC-0160523	MayBridge	KM 06089	4.1	NI	8	256
MAC-0161738	MayBridge	NRB 00886	1.0	74.7	4	256
MAC-0161992	MayBridge	NRB 04162	4.6	NI	32	> 256

MAC-0162065	MayBridge	NRB 05081	1.8	NI	4	> 256
MAC-0031448	MayBridge	PD 00549	0.4	16.2	4	128
MAC-0031946	MayBridge	RB 00158	0.4	35.3	8	64
MAC-0032479	MayBridge	RDR 01288	1.3	40.4	8	> 256
MAC-0032480	MayBridge	RDR 01289	2.4	71.2	16	> 256
MAC-0033880	MayBridge	RF 01653	0.9	NI	8	128
MAC-0033881	MayBridge	RF 01665	1.7	NI	32	256
MAC-0037439	MayBridge	RJC 02623	0.2	10.3	4	> 256
MAC-0037547	MayBridge	RJC 02756	3.4	NI	32	> 256
MAC-0164360	MayBridge	RJF 02182	0.7	NI	8	128
MAC-0039424	MayBridge	S 01335	1.0	24.5	8	128
MAC-0039804	MayBridge	S 04055	0.3	28.3	8	128
MAC-0039908	MayBridge	S 04548	0.0	44.7	0.5	256
MAC-0040158	MayBridge	S 07624	0.3	9.5	64	2
MAC-0041191	MayBridge	S 14125	1.6	32.3	8	128
MAC-0041942	MayBridge	SEW 00805	1.3	32.8	8	128
MAC-0165919	MayBridge	SEW 03166	0.7	47.6	16	64
MAC-0043268	MayBridge	SEW 03585	0.3	6.9	1	8
MAC-0000956	MayBridge	SPB 01986	0.5	15.6	8	128
MAC-0049900	MayBridge	SPB 07211	0.1	5.3	0.5	128
MAC-0168230	ChemBridge	5103499	0.7	NI	8	> 256
MAC-0168195	ChemBridge	5102267	0.2	47.3	2	64
MAC-0168120	ChemBridge	5100353	1.0	NI	32	> 256
MAC-0006508	ChemBridge	5110246	3.0	NI	32	> 256
MAC-0168425	ChemBridge	5107939	1.2	53.0	8	128
MAC-0168466	ChemBridge	5109197	3.5	NI	128	> 256
MAC-0168841	ChemBridge	5133775	0.7	NI	32	> 256
MAC-0168630	ChemBridge	5117127	0.5	NI	16	> 256
MAC-0170171	ChemBridge	5217926	0.3	11.0	4	32
MAC-0170172	ChemBridge	5217929	0.3	14.4	4	32
MAC-0170559	ChemBridge	5238776	1.7	NI	8	> 256
MAC-0170315	ChemBridge	5227194	0.6	47.1	32	> 256
MAC-0170316	ChemBridge	5227196	0.5	NI	32	> 256
MAC-0171530	ChemBridge	5283400	2.3	NI	16	> 256
MAC-0171823	ChemBridge	5309181	3.0	NI	8	128
MAC-0172113	ChemBridge	5326453	0.8	41.4	4	64

MAC-0173979	ChemBridge	5487829	0.4	NI	4	128
MAC-0176699	ChemBridge	5738215	9.9	NI	16	256
MAC-0088137	ChemBridge	5930551	0.3	13.5	4	64
MAC-0181370	MicroSource	01502210	0.5	NI	16	> 256
6-aminonicotinamide	MicroSource	01505315	0.8	39.3	4	> 256
5-fluorouracil	MicroSource	01505317	0.0	6.5	0.125	64
MAC-0182554	MicroSource	01505368	0.6	54.4	0.5	> 256

<sup>a</sup> The EC<sub>50</sub> determinations were conducted within a concentration range of 1 nM- 80 µM, NI: no inhibition within the tested range (for details on experimental setup and data analysis, see **Online methods**).

<sup>b</sup> MIC determinations were conducted within a concentration range of 0.25- 256 µg/ml (for details on experimental setup and data analysis, see **Online methods**).

<sup>c</sup> M9= Minimal media; M9 ALL= Supplemented minimal media

**Supplementary Table 4: Antibacterial activity of MAC13772 against *E. coli* MG1655 in the presence of intermediates of biotin biosynthesis**

Supplement <sup>a</sup>	MIC (µg/ml) <sup>b</sup>	Fold suppression <sup>c</sup>
None	8	-
AA+VIT+NUC	> 256	32
KAPA	8	1
DAPA	> 256	32
DTB	> 256	32
BIOTIN	> 256	32

<sup>a</sup> AA: amino acids, VIT: vitamins, NUC: nucleobases, KAPA: 7-keto-8-aminopelargonate, DAPA: 7,8-diaminopelargonate and DTB: dethiobiotin

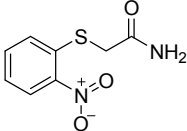
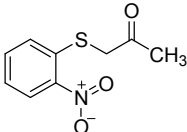
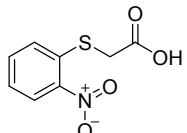
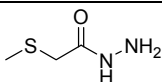
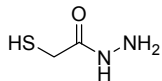
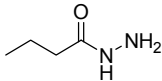
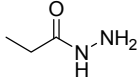
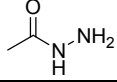
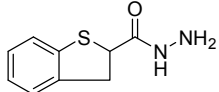
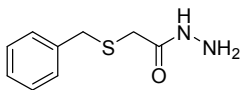
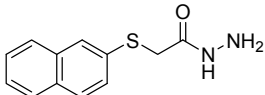
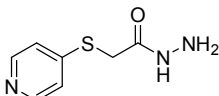
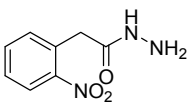
<sup>b</sup> MICs were determined as described in **Online methods**. Values are representative of three independent experiments

<sup>c</sup> Fold suppression is the ratio of the MIC in the presence of the supplement to the MIC without supplementation

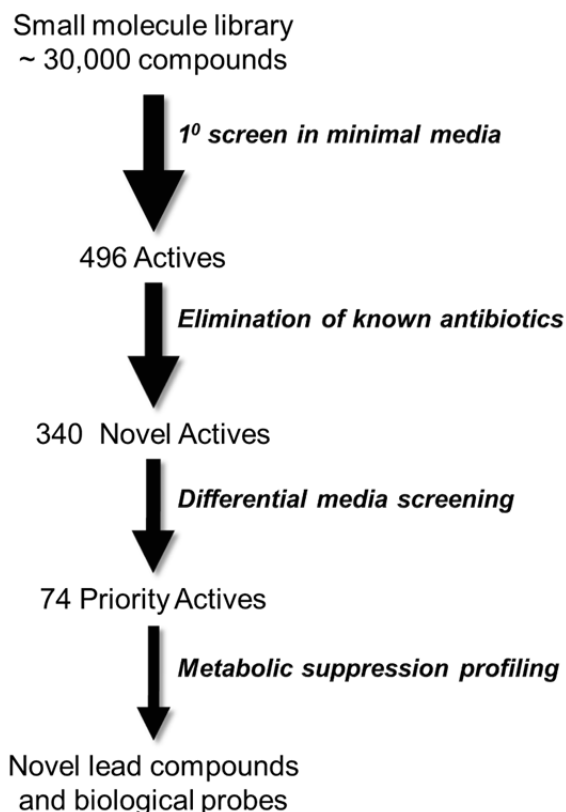


**Supplementary Table 5. Structures of MAC13772 analogs used in SAR studies**

Compound	Structure	Supplier code
<b>MAC13772</b>		Ryan Scientific DSHS 00862SC
<b>5</b>		Ryan Scientific CAS36107-14-9
<b>6</b>		Ambinter (France) Amb 8998045
<b>7</b>		Ambinter (France) Amb 4065797
<b>8</b>		Ambinter (France) Amb 2336529
<b>9</b>		Ambinter (France) Amb 8858487
<b>10</b>		UORSY BBV-37826735
<b>11</b>		Ambinter (France) Amb 17305609
<b>12</b>		Ambinter (France) Amb 4074830
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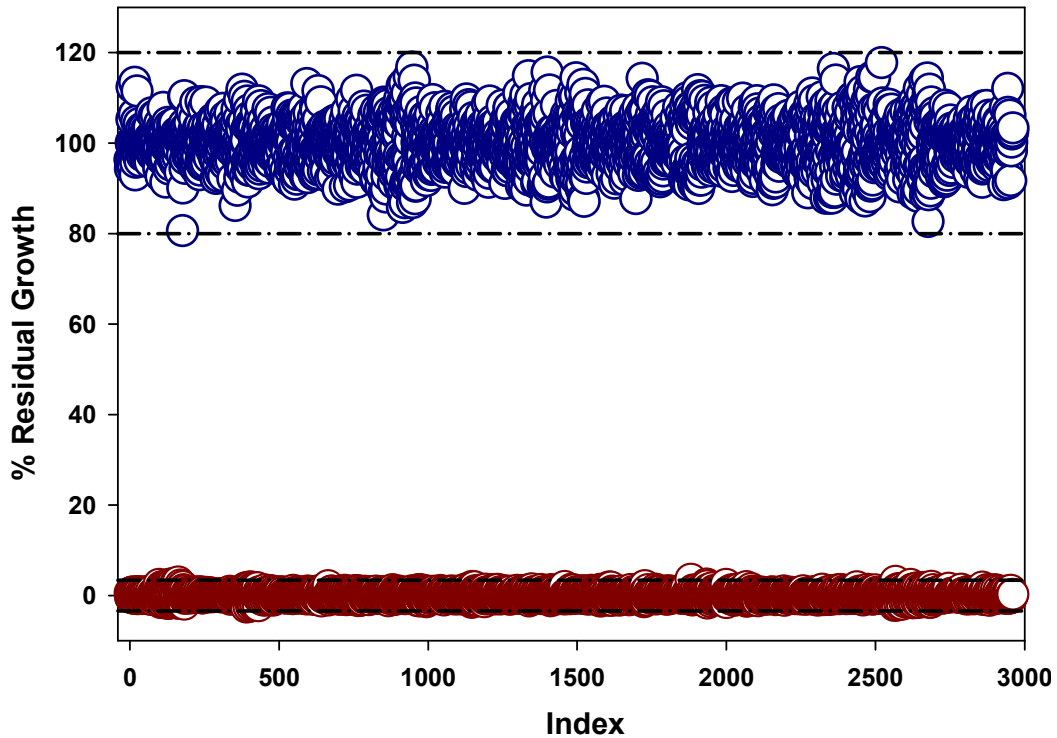
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21		Ambinter (France) Amb 6366352
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## 2. SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURES



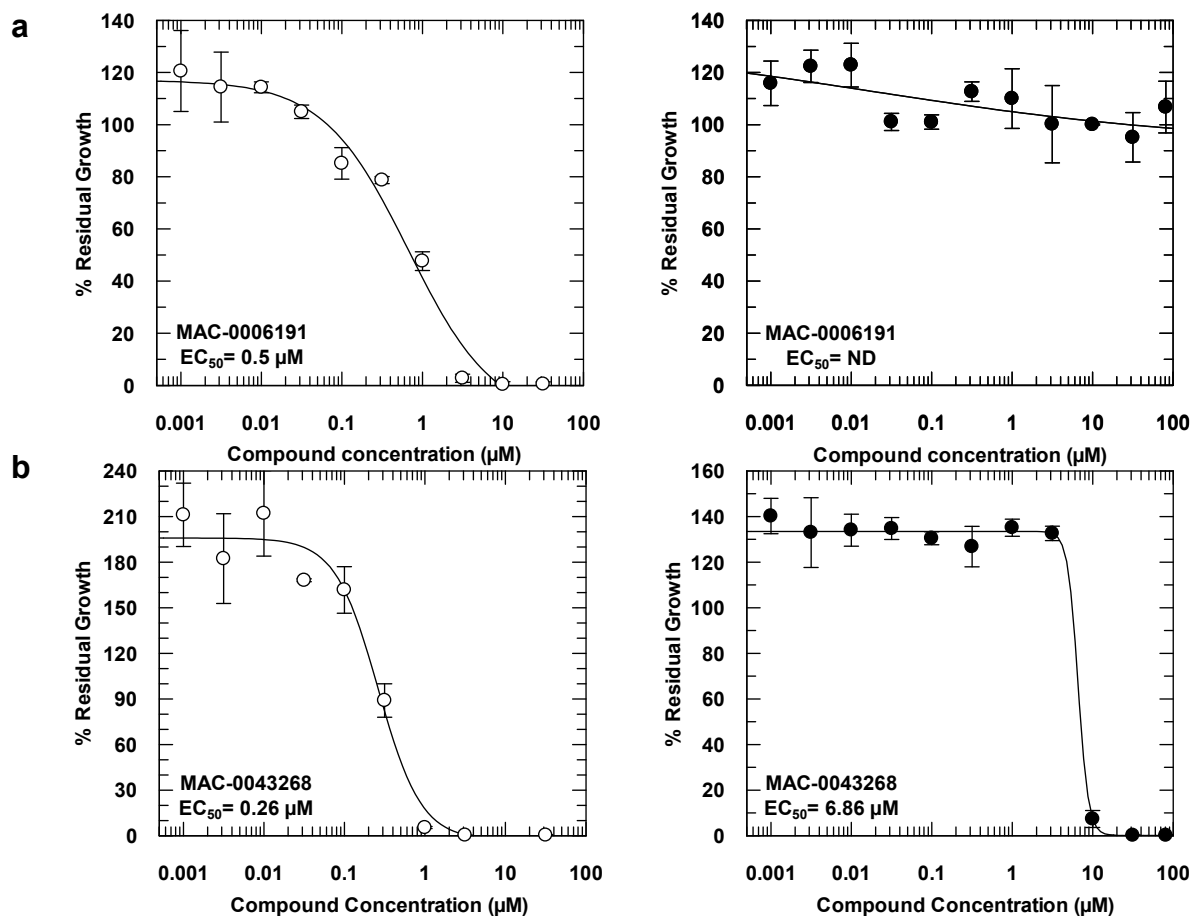
### **Supplementary Fig. 1. General approach to characterize inhibitors of bacterial physiology under nutrient-limited growth conditions.**

A total of 496 compounds that inhibited the growth of *E. coli* MG1655 in minimal media were identified from a high-throughput screen of a library of ~ 30,000 diverse small molecules. After the removal of known antibiotics, a total of 340 novel actives were evaluated in dose-response studies in minimal and supplemented minimal media to identify potent inhibitors with a biological activity specific to bacterial growth under nutrient-limited conditions. From this evaluation, a total of 74 actives were prioritized for metabolic suppression profiling against a panel of primary metabolites to identify the potential target pathways of these inhibitors.



**Supplementary Fig. 2. Primary screen in M9 minimal media- Control Data**

The average high controls (100% residual growth; dark blue circles) and the average low controls (0% residual growth; maroon circles) containing 0.2% DMSO and 10  $\mu\text{g/ml}$  of norfloxacin, respectively ( $n=3$ ). The assay shows a large screening window between the high and the low controls and the calculated average Z' factor is 0.8.



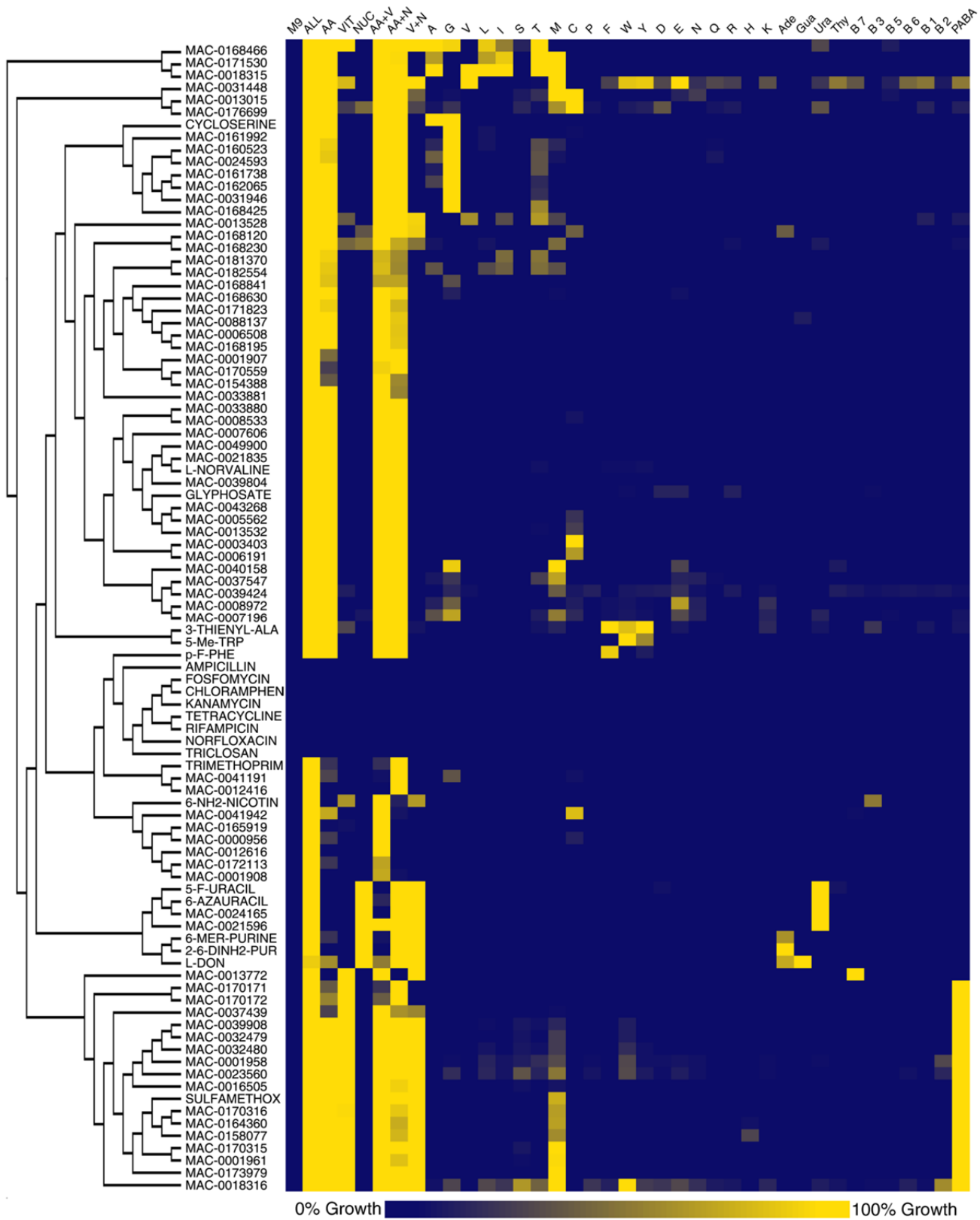
### Supplementary Fig. 3. Effect of media composition on the $\text{EC}_{50}$ of actives

Two representative examples of the  $\text{EC}_{50}$  analysis conducted on the actives prioritized from the primary screen. Dose response studies were carried out with each compound within a concentration range of 1 nM- 80  $\mu\text{M}$  against *E. coli* MG1655 grown in either M9 minimal (open circles) or supplemented minimal media (closed circles). In panel (a), MAC6191 has an  $\text{EC}_{50}$  of 0.5  $\mu\text{M}$  in minimal media but has no growth inhibitory activity when tested in supplemented minimal media. In panel (b), MAC43268 has  $\text{EC}_{50}$  values of 0.26 and 6.86  $\mu\text{M}$  when tested in minimal and supplemented minimal media, respectively. This results into a ~ 26-fold suppression in its biological activity. Data with the error bars represent the mean % residual growth  $\pm$  range of n=2 replicates.

M9	M9 ALL	AA	VIT	NUC	AA+VIT	AA+NUC	VIT+NUC	AA+VIT	AA+NUC	VIT+NUC	M9 ALL
D-Ala	L-Ala	Gly	Glu	Ser	Iso	Leu	Met	Trp	Arg	Cys	AA
His	Val	Pro	Lys	Thr	Asn	Asp	Phe	Tyr	Gln	M9	VIT
A	T	G	U	Vit. B7	Vit. B3	Vit. B5	Vit. B6	Vit. B1	Vit. B2	PABA	NUC

**Supplementary Fig. 4. The Metabolic Suppression Array**

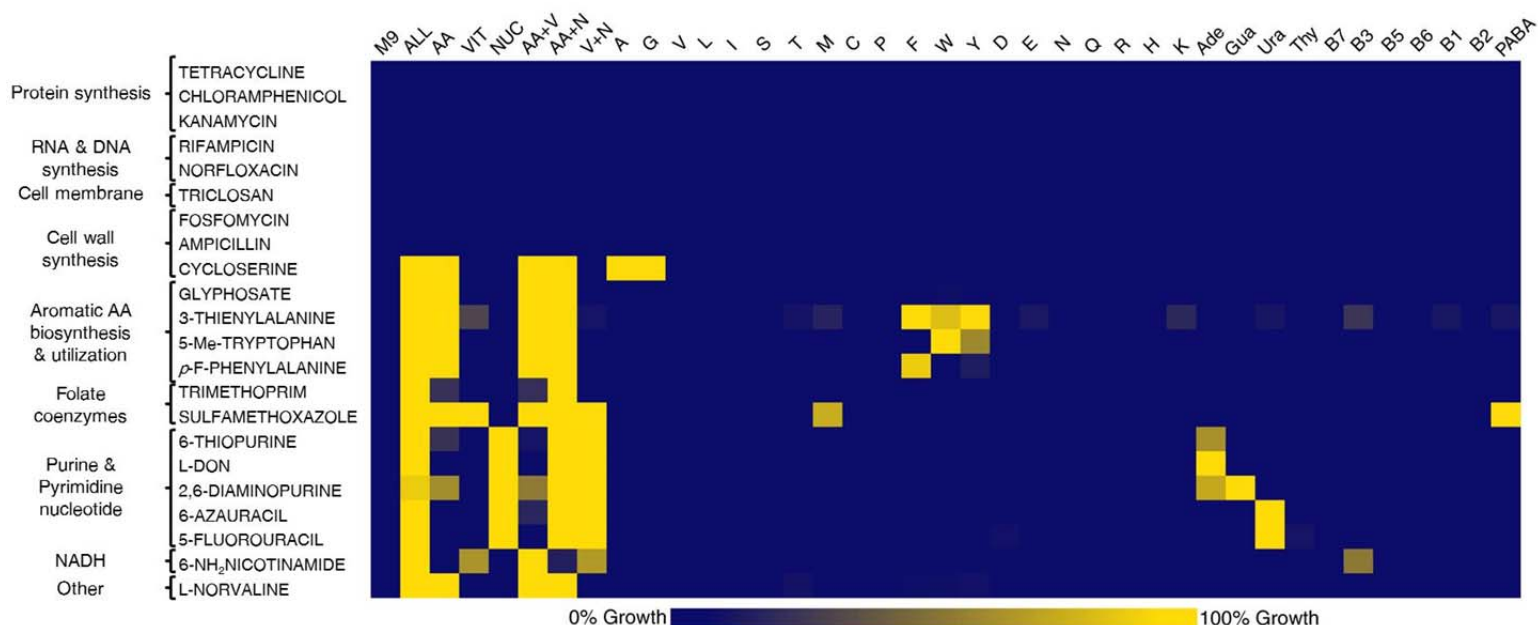
For the secondary screen, key metabolites were systematically tested to look for suppression of the antibacterial activity of the prioritized actives. A 10<sup>3</sup>-fold dilution of a mid-exponential culture of *E. coli* MG1655 was set up in M9 minimal media in 96-well plates containing 4× the MIC (minimum inhibitory concentration) of each and a 1/20 dilution of the metabolic suppression array stock plate. The arrays were incubated O/N at 37 °C then growth was determined turbidometrically by measuring the optical density of the plates at 600 nm. Amino acids are referred to by their 3-letter code, nucleotides by their 1-letter code, PABA: *p*-aminobenzoic acid. M9: no supplements; ALL: minimal media with all supplements; AA: minimal media with all amino acids; VIT: minimal media with all vitamins; NUC: minimal media with all nucleobases. For media recipe, pool compositions and concentrations of supplements refer to the **Online methods** and **Supplementary Table 2**.



**Supplementary Fig. 5. Heat map of the metabolic suppression profiles of priority actives.**

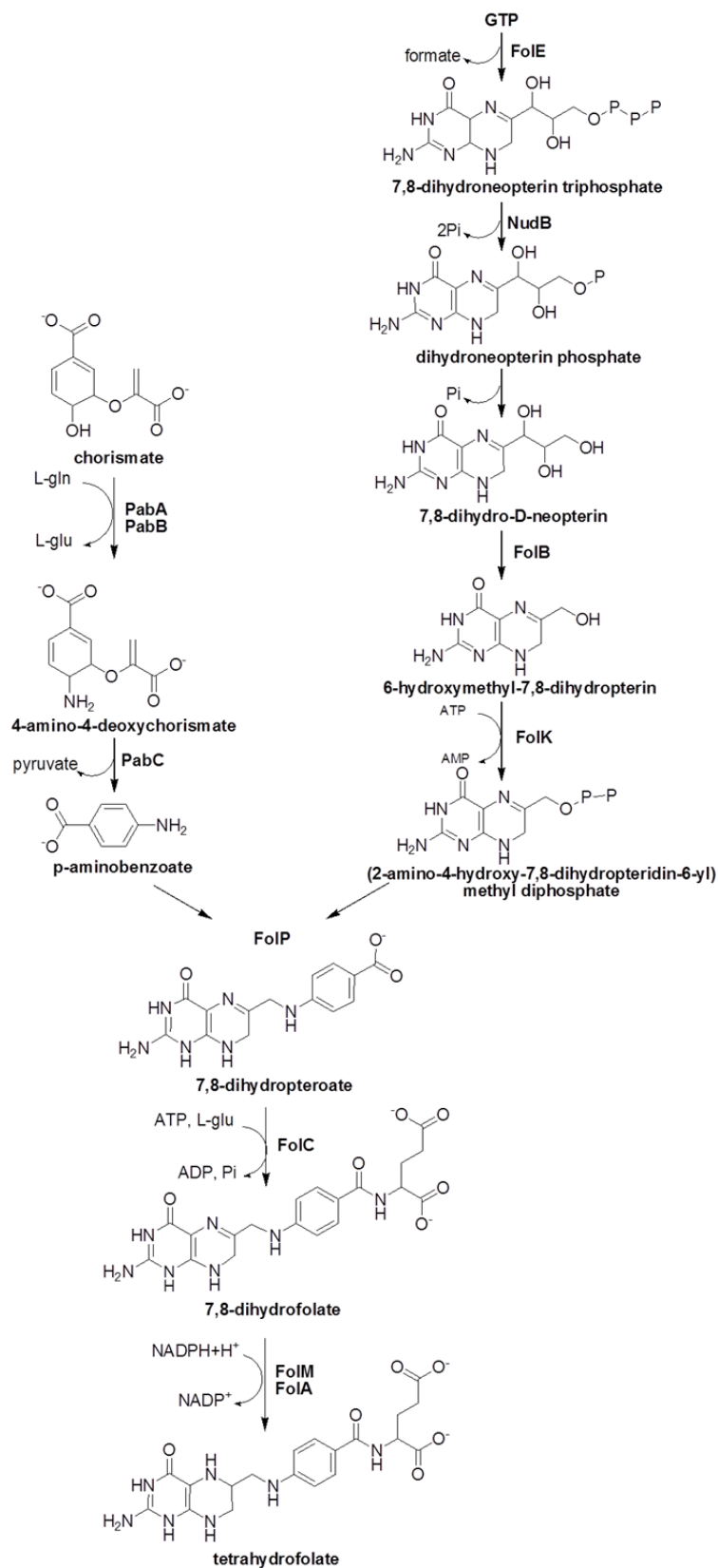
Metabolic suppression profiles of 93 antibacterial inhibitors including 22 known antibiotics are hierarchically clustered based on the growth of *E. coli* MG1655 in the presence of each compound at 4× its MIC and with various primary metabolites or pools of metabolites in the metabolic suppression array (n= 2 replicates). Hierarchical cluster analysis of the percent residual growth was conducted as described in **Online methods**. Actives identified from the primary screen are designated by their MAC ID and known actives by their names. Amino acids are referred to by their 1-letter code, B vitamins by their respective numbers, PABA: *p*-aminobenzoic acid, Ade: adenine, Gua: guanine, Ura: uracil, Thy: thymine. M9: no supplements; ALL: minimal media with all supplements; AA: minimal media with all amino acids; VIT: minimal media with all vitamins; NUC: minimal media with all nucleobases; 3-THIENYL-ALA: L-3-thienylalanine, 5-Me-TRP: 5-methyltryptophan, p-F-PHE: p-fluorophenylalanine, CHLORAMPHEN: chloramphenicol, 6-NH<sub>2</sub>NICOTINAMIDE: 6-aminonicotinamide, 5-F-URACIL: 5-fluorouracil, 6-MER-PUR: 6-mercaptapurine (6-thiopurine), 2,6-DINH<sub>2</sub>-PUR: 2,6-diaminopurine, L-DON: 6-Diazo-5-oxo-L-norleucine, SULFAMETHOX: sulfamethoxazole.



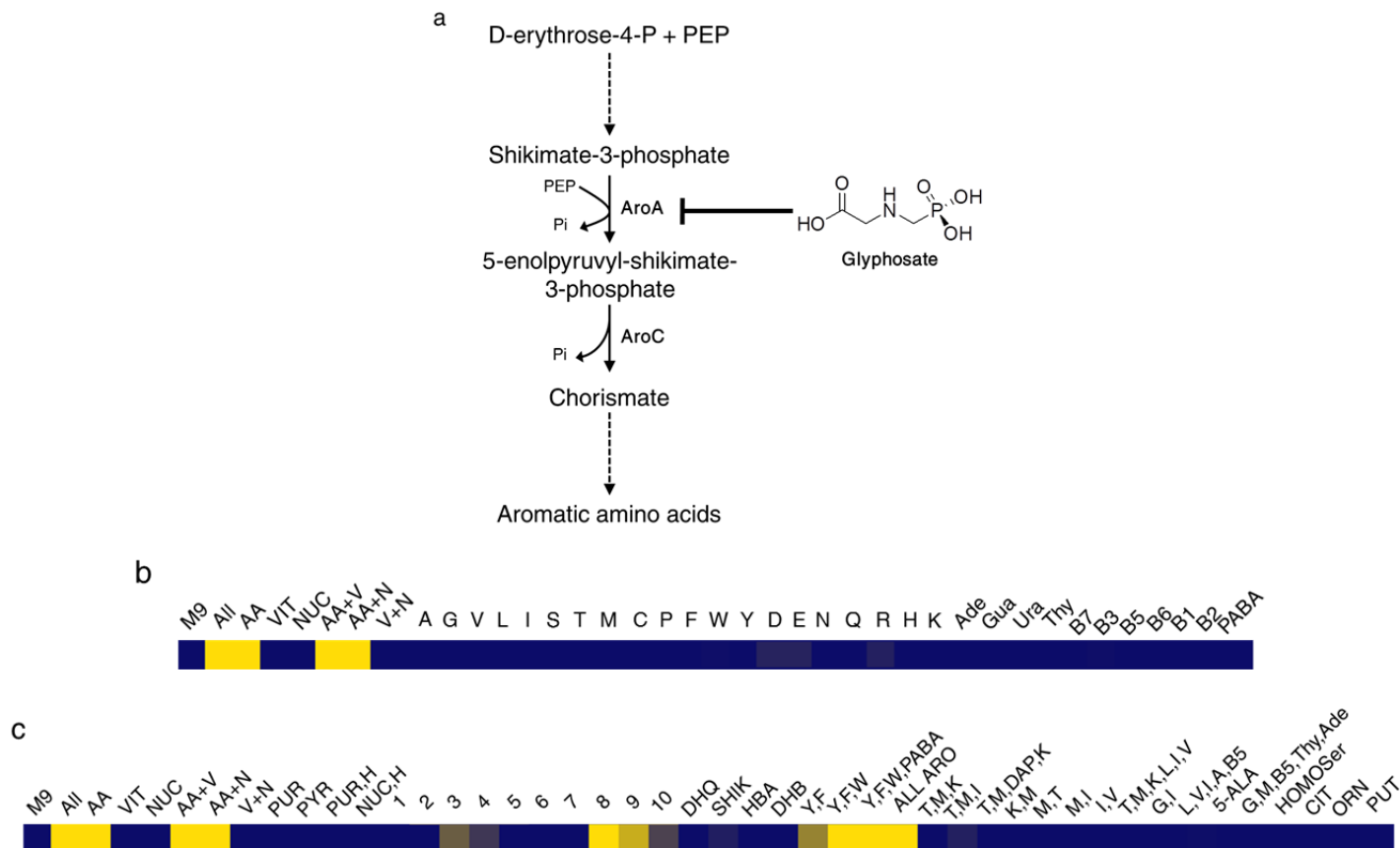


### Supplementary Fig. 6. Metabolic suppression profiles of known antibiotics

The metabolic suppression profiles of 22 known antibiotics evaluated against a panel of primary metabolites and pools of metabolites through the metabolic suppression array (**Supplementary Fig. 4**) are derived from the heat map in **Supplementary Fig. 5**. These antibiotics are grouped based on their general MOA class. Note that only inhibitors that impair biosynthetic capabilities are suppressed by metabolites or pools of metabolites. Amino acids are referred to by their 1-letter code, B vitamins by their respective numbers, PABA: *p*-aminobenzoic acid, Ade: adenine, Gua: guanine, Ura: uracil, Thy: thymine. M9: no supplements; ALL: minimal media with all supplements; AA: minimal media with all amino acids; VIT: minimal media with all vitamins; NUC: minimal media with all nucleobases; 5-Me-Tryptophan: 5-methyltryptophan, *p*-F-Phenylalanine: *p*-fluorophenylalanine, 6-NH<sub>2</sub>nicotinamide: 6-aminonicotinamide, L-DON: 6-Diazo-5-oxo-L-norleucine. Data represent the mean % residual growth of n=2 replicates.

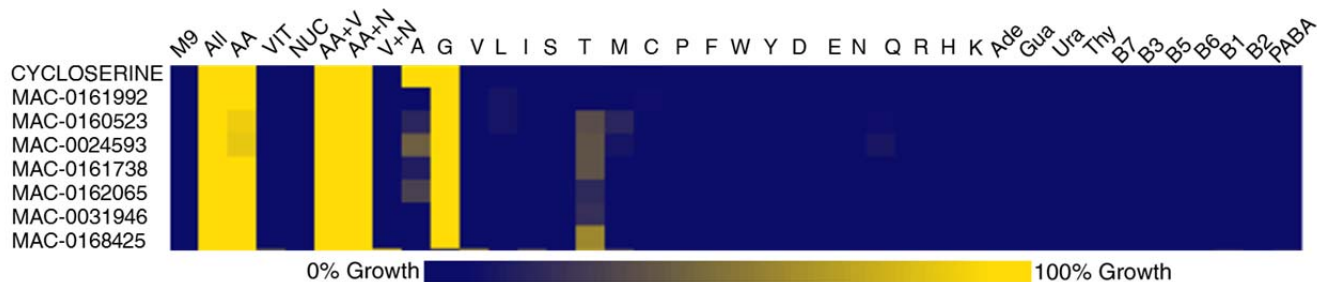


Supplementary Fig. 7. The tetrahydrofolate biosynthetic pathway in *E. coli*



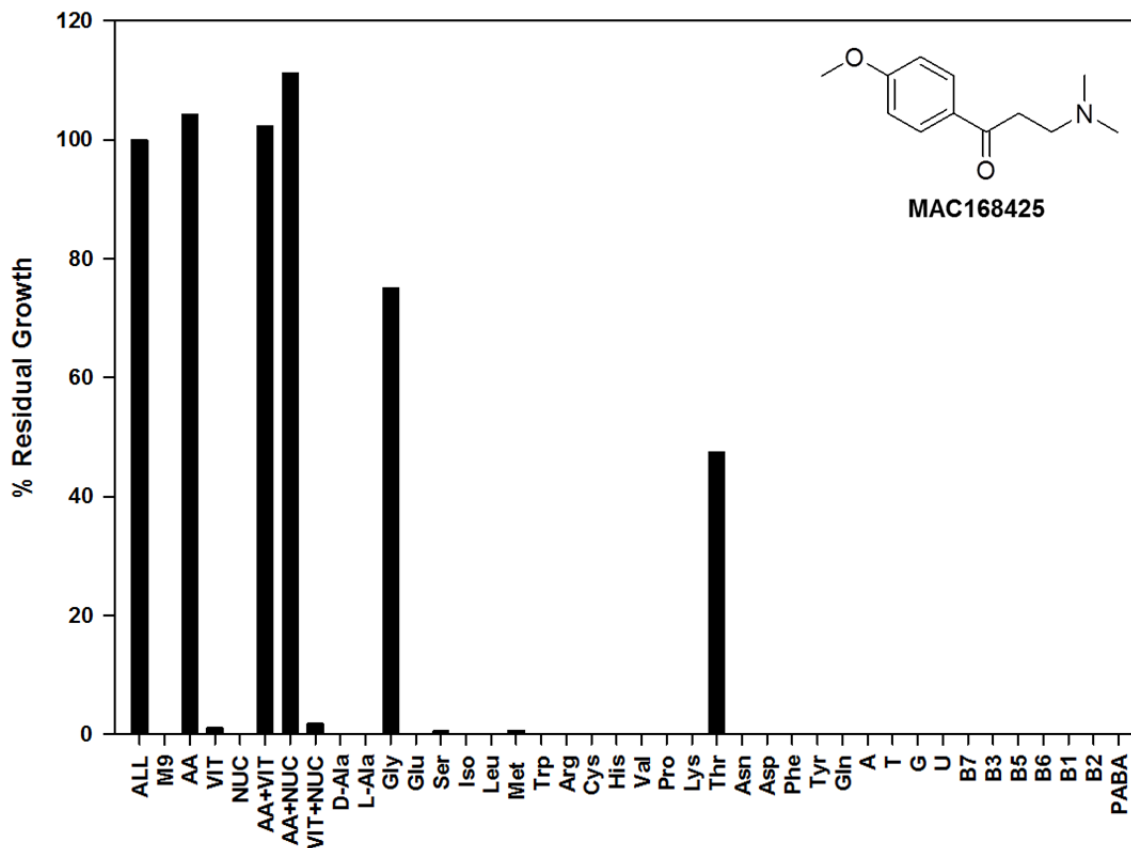
### Supplementary Fig. 8. Metabolic suppression profile of glyphosate

**(a)** Schematic diagram of the biosynthetic pathway of chorismate in *E. coli*. Chorismate is a precursor of several metabolites including aromatic amino acids. Glyphosate inhibits the step catalyzed by AroA. **(b)** The metabolic suppression profile of glyphosate against a panel of primary metabolites in the metabolic suppression array (**Supplementary Fig. 4**) is extracted from the heat map in **Supplementary Fig. 5**. **(c)** The metabolic suppression profile of glyphosate against additional pools of metabolites in the expanded metabolic suppression array (**Fig. 3a**). The legend is the same as that for **Fig. 3**. Note the full suppression of the activity of glyphosate by pools containing the three aromatic amino acids.



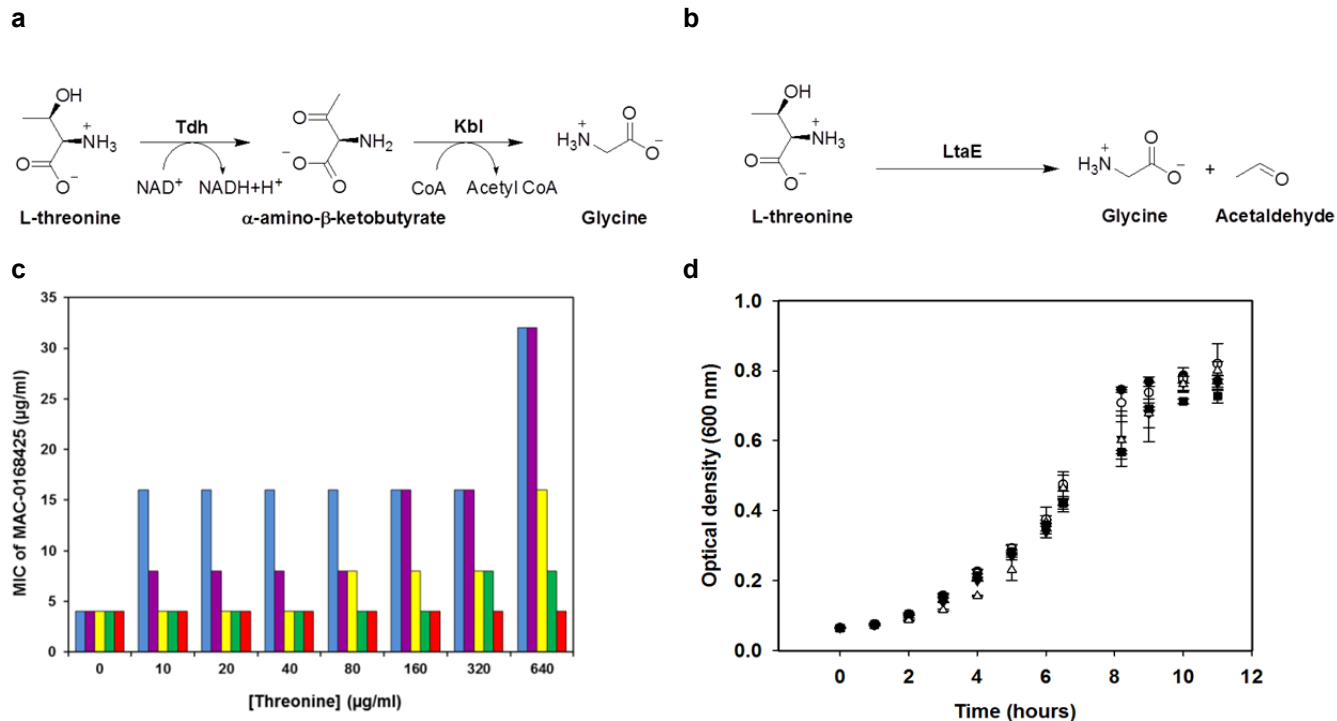
### Supplementary Fig. 9. Cluster of actives suppressed by glycine

Cluster from the heat map in **Supplementary Fig. 5** showing the metabolic suppression profiles of 8 inhibitors (including the known antibiotic cycloserine) evaluated against a panel of primary metabolites and pools of metabolites through the metabolic suppression array (**Supplementary Fig. 4**). In this cluster, the activity of all of the compounds is fully suppressed by the amino acid glycine and to varying degrees by the amino acid, L-threonine. Amino acids are referred to by their 1-letter code, B vitamins by their respective numbers, PABA: *p*-aminobenzoic acid, Ade: adenine, Gua: guanine, Ura: uracil, Thy: thymine. M9: no supplements; ALL: minimal media with all supplements; AA: minimal media with all amino acids; VIT: minimal media with all vitamins; NUC: minimal media with all nucleobases. Data represent the mean % residual growth of n=2 replicates.



### Supplementary Fig. 10. Metabolic suppression profile of MAC168425

A bar graph representation of the metabolic suppression of the activity of MAC168425 by a panel of primary metabolites and pools of metabolites in the metabolic suppression array (**Supplementary Fig. 4**). Note the high suppression of the inhibitory activity of this bioactive by glycine and to a lesser extent by L-threonine as well as pools containing a mixture of amino acids. Amino acids are referred to by their 3-letter code, nucleotides by their 1-letter code, PABA: *p*-aminobenzoic acid. M9: no supplements; ALL: minimal media with all supplements; AA: minimal media with all amino acids; VIT: minimal media with all vitamins; NUC: minimal media with all nucleobases. **Inset:** Chemical structure of MAC168425. Data are representative of at least two independent experiments.



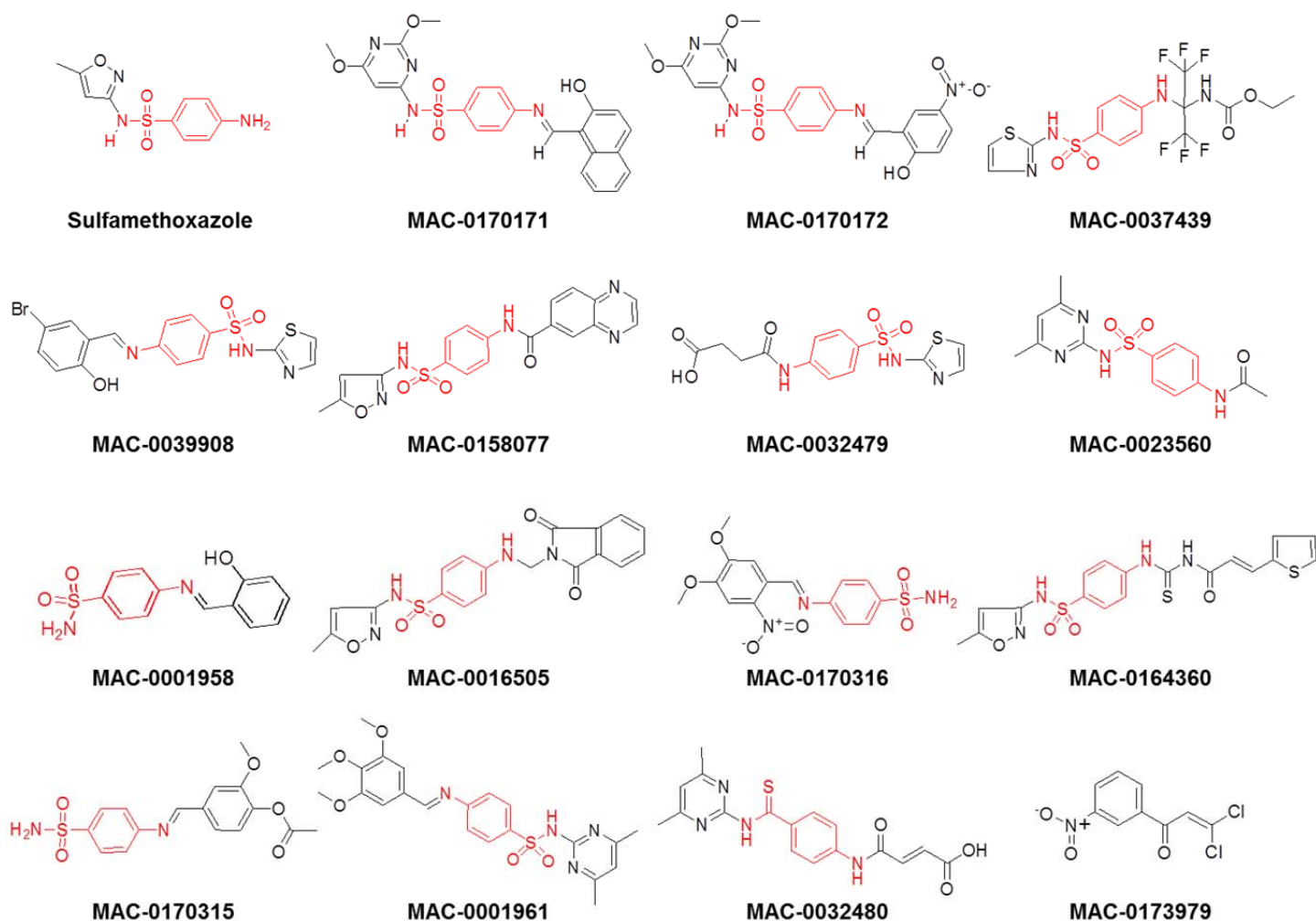
**Supplementary Fig. 11. L-threonine suppresses MAC168425 through its conversion into glycine**

(a) and (b) Pathways for the conversion of L-threonine into glycine in *E. coli*. In the major pathway (a) threonine dehydrogenase (Tdh) oxidizes L-threonine to  $\alpha$ -amino- $\beta$ -ketobutyrate which is cleaved by  $\alpha$ -amino- $\beta$ -ketobutyrate lyase (Kbl) to form glycine and acetyl CoA<sup>3</sup>. In the minor pathway (b) threonine is degraded by low-specificity threonine aldolase (LtaE) to form glycine and acetaldehyde<sup>3</sup>. (c) The MIC of MAC168425 increases in the presence of increasing concentrations of L-threonine. This effect is abolished in deletion mutants in the pathways that convert L-threonine to glycine. The parent strain *E. coli* BW25113 (blue bar),  $\Delta$ *ltaE* (purple bar),  $\Delta$ *tdh* (yellow bar),  $\Delta$ *ltaE*  $\Delta$ *tdh* (green bar),  $\Delta$ *ltaE*  $\Delta$ *tdh*  $\Delta$ *kbl* (red bar). (d) Growth curves of the parent strain (closed circles),  $\Delta$ *tdh* (open circles),  $\Delta$ *ltaE* (closed triangles),  $\Delta$ *ltaE*  $\Delta$ *tdh* (open triangles),  $\Delta$ *ltaE*  $\Delta$ *tdh*  $\Delta$ *kbl* (closed squares) in 96-well plates in glucose minimal media. Data and error bars represent mean values  $\pm$  s.d of 4 biological replicates.



### Supplementary Fig. 12. Cluster of actives suppressed by PABA

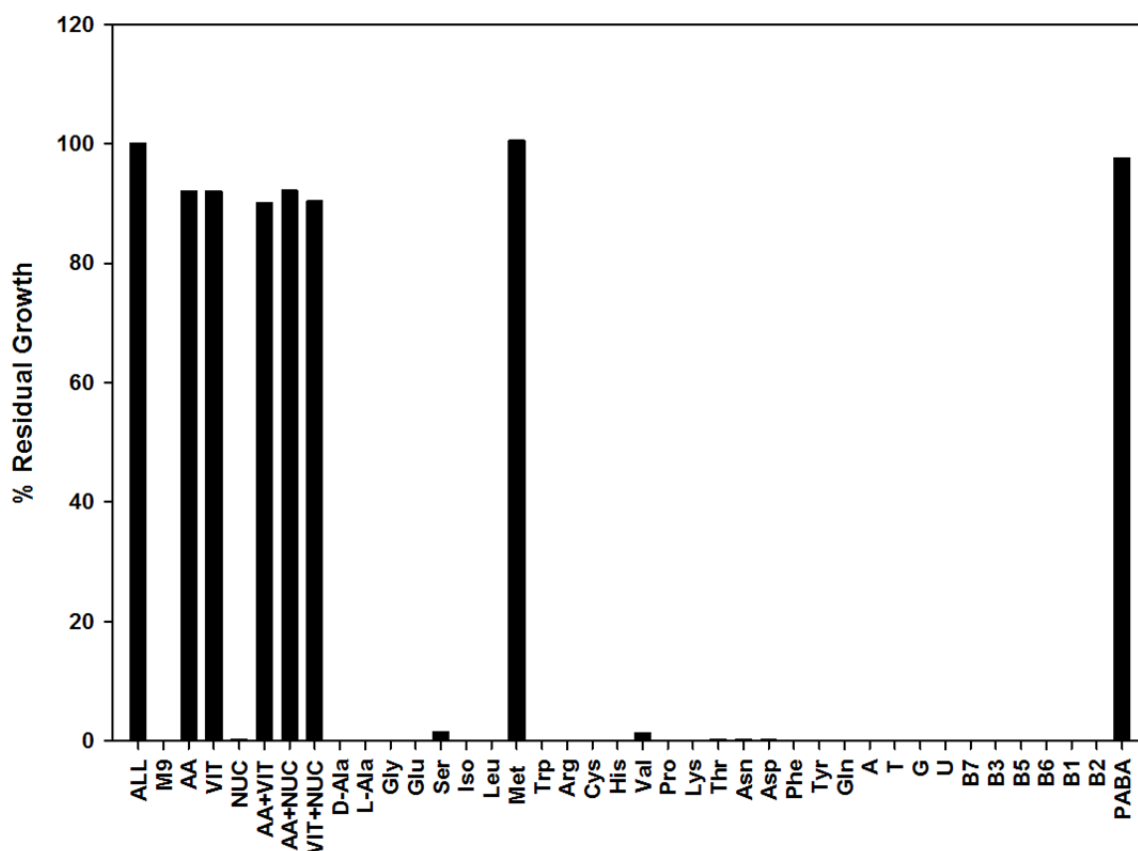
Cluster from the heat map in **Supplementary Fig. 5** showing the metabolic suppression profiles of 16 actives (including that of the known antibiotic sulfamethoxazole) evaluated against a panel of primary metabolites and pools of metabolites through the metabolic suppression array (**Supplementary Fig. 4**). In this cluster, the activity of all of the compounds was fully suppressed by the folate biosynthesis intermediate, *p*-aminobenzoic acid (PABA) and to varying degrees by the amino acid, L-methionine. Amino acids are referred to by their 1-letter code, B vitamins by their respective numbers, PABA: *p*-aminobenzoic acid, Ade: adenine, Gua: guanine, Ura: uracil, Thy: thymine. M9: no supplements; ALL: minimal media with all supplements; AA: minimal media with all amino acids; VIT: minimal media with all vitamins; NUC: minimal media with all nucleobases. Data represent the mean % residual growth of n=2 replicates.



### Supplementary Fig. 13. Structures of compounds suppressed by PABA

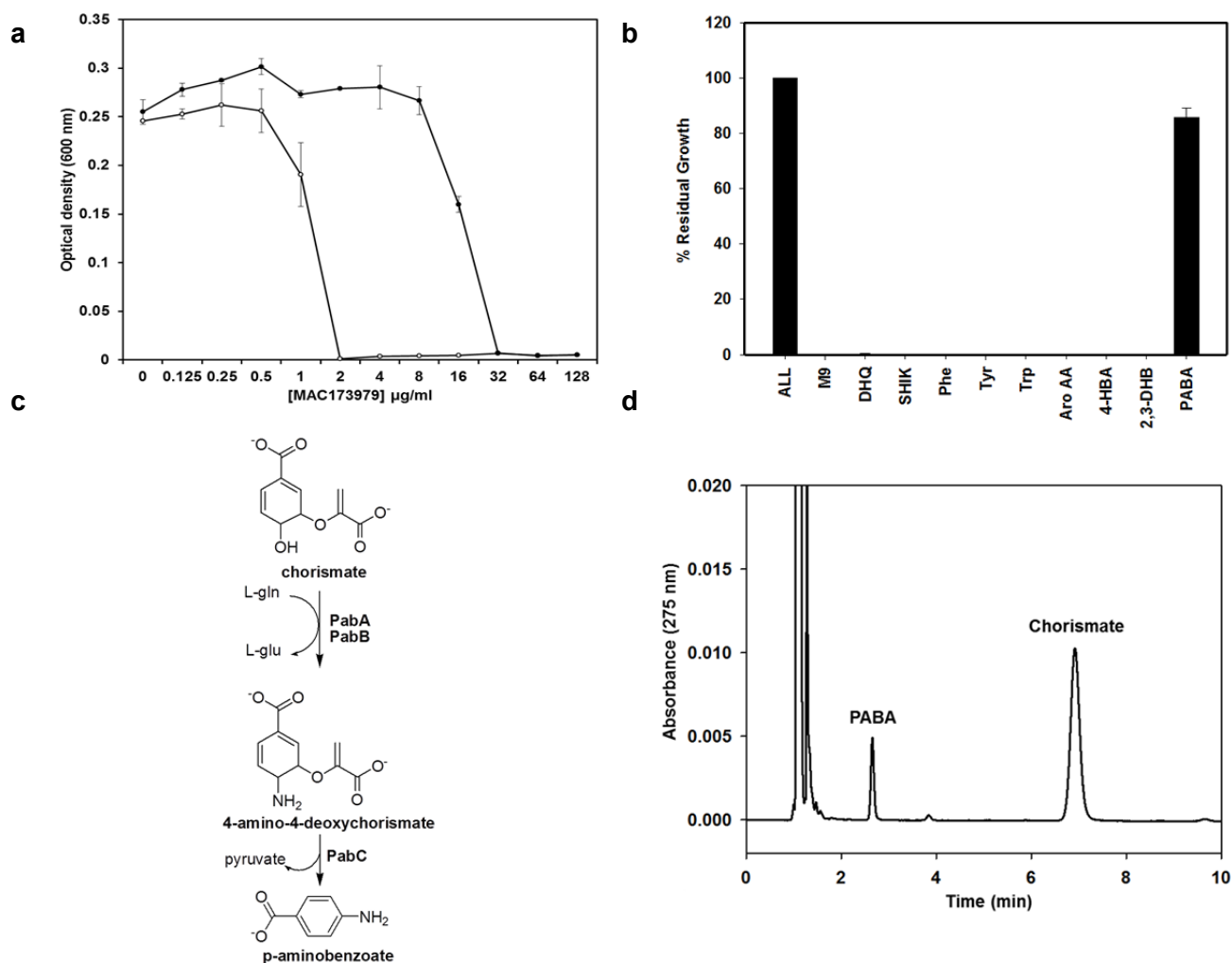
Chemical structures of the compounds in the cluster suppressed by PABA in the heat map in **Supplementary Fig. 5** and **Supplementary Fig. 12**. Note that the majority of the compounds in the cluster with the exception of MAC173979 contain the p-aminobenzenesulfonamide pharmacophore and are structural analogs of the known antibiotic sulfamethoxazole.





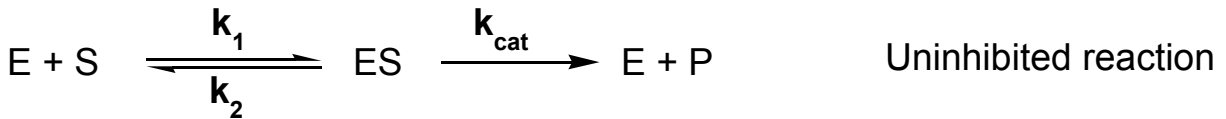
**Supplementary Fig. 14. Metabolic suppression profile of MAC173979**

A bar graph representation of the metabolic suppression of the activity of MAC173979 by a panel of primary metabolites and pools of metabolites in the metabolic suppression array (**Supplementary Fig. 4**). Note the complete suppression of the inhibitory activity of this bioactive by methionine and *p*-aminobenzoic acid as well as pools containing either or both metabolites. Amino acids are referred to by their 3-letter code, nucleotides by their 1-letter code, PABA: *p*-aminobenzoic acid. M9: no supplements; ALL: minimal media with all supplements; AA: minimal media with all amino acids; VIT: minimal media with all vitamins; NUC: minimal media with all nucleobases. Data are representative of at least two independent experiments.



**Supplementary Fig. 15. Suppression of MAC173979 and assay for PABA synthesis**

**(a)** PABA suppresses up to 16-fold the activity of MAC173979 against *E. coli*. The MIC of the inhibitor was determined in minimal media in the absence (open circles) or presence (closed circles) of PABA (2  $\mu\text{g/ml}$ ). Data with the error bars represent the mean values  $\pm$  range of  $n=2$  biological replicates. **(b)** The activity of MAC173979 is not suppressed by precursors or products of chorismate other than PABA. Data with the error bars represent the mean % residual growth  $\pm$  range of  $n=2$  replicates. The legend is the same as that for **Fig. 3** **(c)** PABA biosynthetic pathway in *E. coli*. **(d)** UV trace of a mixture containing standards of PABA and chorismate separated on a  $\text{C}_{18}$  reverse phase column and eluted isocratically with 5% acetic acid in double distilled  $\text{H}_2\text{O}^4$ .



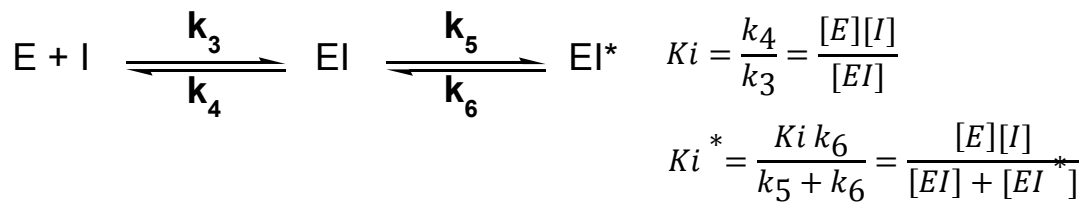
**a**

Simple reversible time dependent inhibition



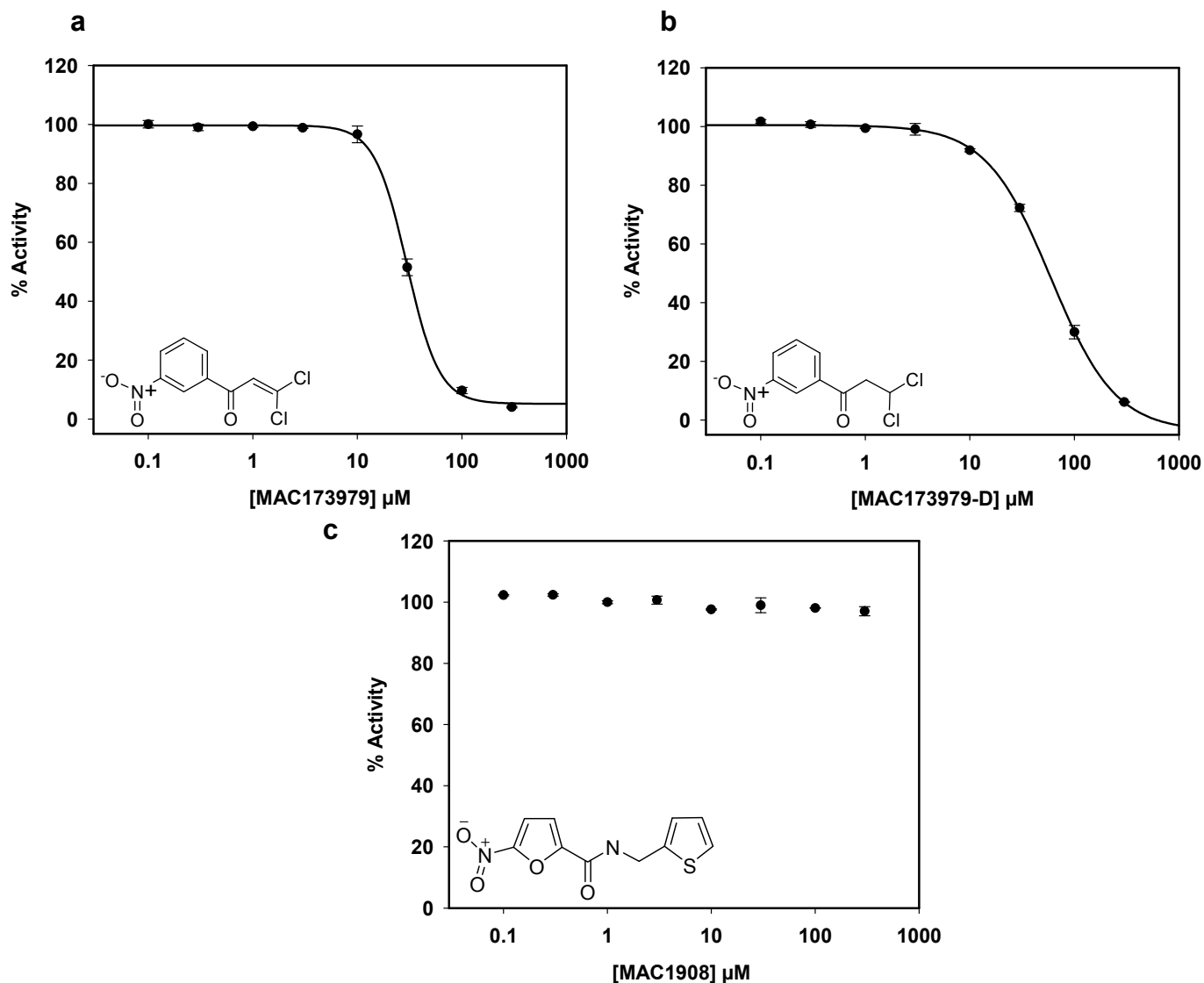
**b**

Two-step time dependent inhibition



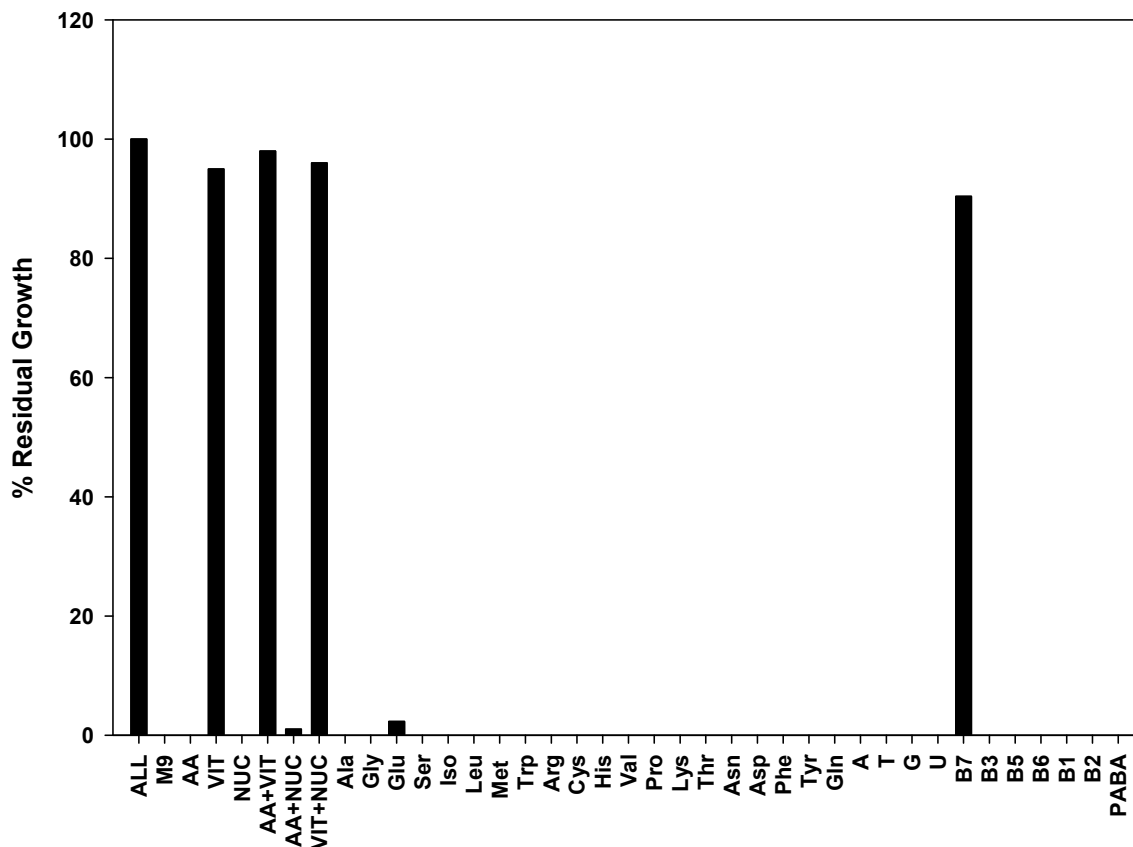
### Supplementary Fig. 16. Schemes for time-dependent inhibition

Time-dependent inhibitors of enzyme activities can follow one of two kinetic schemes. In the case of simple reversible inhibition (**a**), formation of the EI complex is a single step event that occurs on a slow time scale relative to the rate of catalysis and is in equilibrium with its dissociation. In a second scheme (**b**), binding of the inhibitor to the enzyme occurs rapidly then through a second slower step the EI complex undergoes a conformational change to form the inactive EI\* complex. In the case where  $k_6$  is extremely low that it approaches zero, the inhibition is essentially irreversible<sup>1,2</sup>.



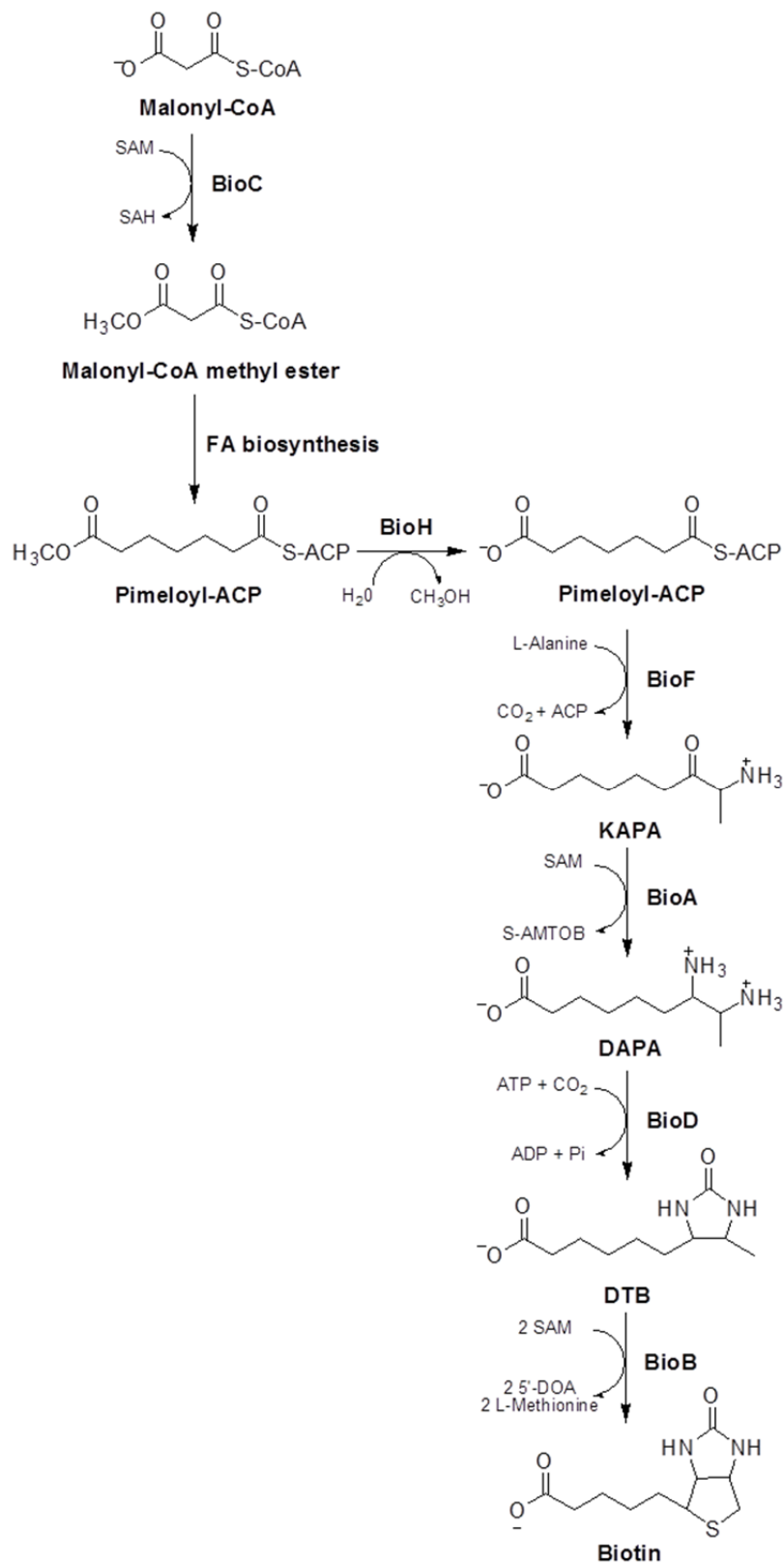
### Supplementary Fig. 17. Dose-response determinations against PabA-B-C

Dose-response curves of MAC173979 (**a**) and an analog lacking the Michael acceptor, MAC173979-D (**b**). As a negative control, an inhibitor not suppressed by PABA, MAC1908, was also tested (**c**). Structures are shown as insets. Inhibitors (0-1000  $\mu\text{M}$ ) were incubated with the enzymes for 30 minutes prior to substrates addition. Reactions were quenched after 30 minutes with 8 M urea and analyzed by HPLC. Data with the error bars represent the mean % activity  $\pm$  range of  $n=2$  replicates and the dose response curves were fitted to the four parameter logistic nonlinear regression curve yielding  $\text{IC}_{50}$  values of  $30 \pm 2 \mu\text{M}$  (**a**),  $60 \pm 7 \mu\text{M}$  (**b**) and no inhibition for (**c**).

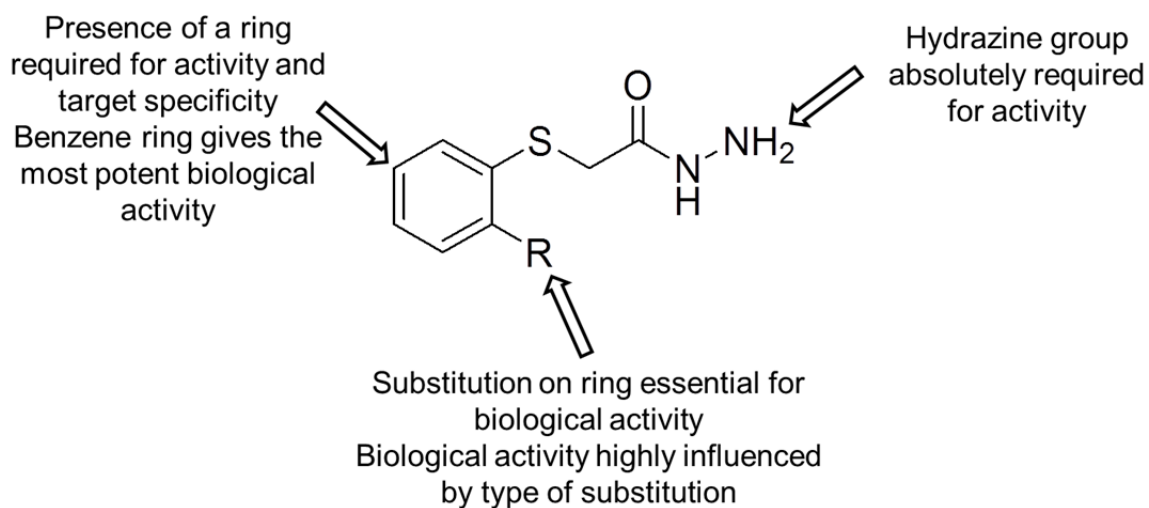


**Supplementary Fig. 18. Metabolic suppression profile of MAC13772**

A bar graph representation of the metabolic suppression of the activity of MAC13772 by a panel of primary metabolites and pools of metabolites in the metabolic suppression array (**Supplementary Fig. 4**). Note the complete suppression of the inhibitory activity of this bioactive by biotin (vit.B7) as well as pools containing vitamins. Amino acids are referred to by their 3-letter code, nucleotides by their 1-letter code, PABA: *p*-aminobenzoic acid. M9: no supplements; ALL: minimal media with all supplements; AA: minimal media with all amino acids; VIT: minimal media with all vitamins; NUC: minimal media with all nucleobases. Data are representative of at least two independent experiments.



**Supplementary Fig. 19. Biotin biosynthesis in *E. coli***



**Supplementary Fig. 20. Summary of structure-activity relationship investigation of MAC13772 and analogs**

This schematic summarizes the main findings from the SAR study into the biological and biochemical activity of MAC13772 and 24 analogs (see **Table 1, Supplementary Table 5**).

### 3. SUPPLEMENTARY NOTES

#### CHEMICAL CHARACTERIZATION OF COMPOUNDS USED IN THIS STUDY

##### *3-(dimethylamino)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)propan-1-one (MAC168425)*

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (700 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 8.01 (2 H, d, J=8.95 Hz), 7.13 (2 H, d, J=8.96 Hz), 3.90 (1 H, s), 3.60 (2 H, t, J=7.14, 0.95 Hz), 3.41 (2 H, t, J=7.56 Hz), 2.82 (6 H, s); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (176 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 195.55, 163.99, 130.87, 129.36, 114.47, 56.11, 52.37, 42.66, 33.19. HRMS: for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>18</sub>NO<sub>2</sub> [M+1]<sup>+</sup>, calcd.: 208.1338, obs.: 208.1330.

##### *3,3-dichloro-1-(3-nitrophenyl)prop-2-en-1-one (MAC173979)*

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 8.70 (1 H, dd, J=2.3, 1.8 Hz), 8.51 (1 H, dd, J=8.2, 1.0 Hz), 8.44 (1 H, d, J=7.7 Hz), 8.04 (1 H, s), 7.86 (1 H, d, J=0.5); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (150.92 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 184.68, 148.16, 137.60, 134.69, 134.64, 130.75, 128.02, 124.77, 122.91. HRMS: for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>5</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>NO<sub>3</sub> [M], calcd.: 244.9668, obs.: 244.9668.

##### *3,3-dichloro-1-(3-nitrophenyl)propan-1-one: analog of MAC173979 without the Michael acceptor (MAC173979-D) (purchased from Ambinter- France)*

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (700 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 8.69 (1 H, t, J=1.83 Hz), 8.51 (1 H, ddd, J=8.14, 2.36, 1.06 Hz), 8.45 (1 H, dq, J=7.75, 0.95 Hz), 7.86 (1 H, t, J=8.09 Hz), 6.61 (1 H, t, J=6.07 Hz), 4.32 (2 H, d, J=6.17 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (176 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 193.02, 148.09, 136.69, 134.42, 130.71, 128.00, 122.57, 69.18, 51.26. HRMS: for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>7</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>NO<sub>3</sub> [M], calcd.: 246.9803, obs.: 246.9800.

##### *2-(2-nitrophenylthio)acetohydrazide (Table 1, Compound MAC13772)*

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (700 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 9.40 (1 H, br. s.), 8.17 - 8.22 (1 H, m), 7.68 - 7.74 (2 H, m), 7.41 (1 H, ddd, J=8.30, 5.76, 2.69 Hz), 4.32 (2 H, s), 3.77 (2 H, s). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR



(176 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  ppm 166.48, 145.40, 136.28, 134.23, 127.53, 125.81, 125.51, 34.06. HRMS: for C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>10</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S [M+1]<sup>+</sup>, calcd.: 228.0443, obs.: 228.0439.

*2-(3-nitrophenylthio)acetohydrazide (Table 1, Compound 5)*

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (700 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  ppm 9.20 (1 H, s), 7.36 - 7.39 (1 H, m), 7.32 - 7.34 (1 H, m), 6.98 (1 H, dd,  $J=8.08, 2.09$  Hz), 6.67 (1 H, t,  $J=6.13$  Hz), 4.26 (2 H, s), 3.73 (2 H, d,  $J=6.28$  Hz); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (176 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  ppm 168.63, 149.53, 148.72, 129.83, 118.66, 110.33, 105.48, 44.67.

*2-(4-nitrophenylthio)acetohydrazide (Table 1, Compound 6)*

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (700 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  ppm 11.59 (1 H, br. s.), 8.15 (2 H, m,  $J=8.98$  Hz), 7.60 (2 H, m,  $J=8.98$  Hz), 4.08 (2 H, s), 3.56 (2 H, s); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (176 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  ppm 166.94, 126.66, 123.86, 66.35, 32.43; HRMS: for C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>10</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S [M+1]<sup>+</sup>, calcd.: 228.0443, obs.: 228.0453.

*2-(phenylthio)acetohydrazide (Table 1, Compound 7)*

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (700 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  ppm 9.24 (1 H, br. s.), 7.33 - 7.38 (2 H, m), 7.28 - 7.33 (2 H, m), 7.16 - 7.21 (1 H, m), 4.28 (2 H, br. s.), 3.59 (2 H, s); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (176 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  ppm 167.23, 136.16, 128.94, 127.79, 125.78, 34.59; HRMS: for C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>11</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S [M+1]<sup>+</sup>, calcd.: 183.0592, obs.: 183.0589.

*2-(2-fluorophenylthio)acetohydrazide (Table 1, Compound 8)*

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (700 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  ppm 9.26 (1 H, br. s.), 7.48 (1 H, td,  $J=7.85, 1.65$  Hz), 7.24 - 7.31 (1 H, m), 7.16 - 7.24 (2 H, m), 4.28 (2 H, s), 3.60 (2 H, s); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (176 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  ppm 166.85, 158.81, 130.16, 128.02, 125.03, 123.02, 115.29, 33.79; HRMS: for C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>10</sub>FN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S [M+1]<sup>+</sup>, calcd.: 201.0498, obs.: 201.0506.

*2-(2-chlorophenylthio)acetohydrazide (Table 1, Compound 9)*

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (700 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 10.61 (1 H, br. s.), 7.47 (2 H, dt, *J*=7.78, 1.20 Hz), 7.33 (1 H, td, *J*=7.63, 1.50 Hz), 7.20 - 7.24 (1 H, m), 3.96 (2 H, s), 3.56 (2 H, s); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (176 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 167.13, 134.73, 130.74, 129.45, 127.82, 127.59, 126.91, 32.53; HRMS: for C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>10</sub>CIN<sub>2</sub>OS [M+1]<sup>+</sup>, calcd.: 217.0202, obs.: 217.0212.

*2-(2-hydroxyphenylthio)acetohydrazide (Table 1, Compound 10)*

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (700 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 9.24 (1 H, br. s.), 7.25 (1 H, dd, *J*=7.78, 1.80 Hz), 7.05 (1 H, td, *J*=7.63, 1.50 Hz), 6.81 (1 H, dd, *J*=8.08, 1.20 Hz), 6.76 (1 H, td, *J*=7.48, 1.20 Hz), 4.29 (2 H, br. s.), 3.49 (2 H, s); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (176 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 167.82, 155.40, 129.81, 127.52, 121.74, 119.53, 115.05, 34.22; HRMS: for C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>11</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S [M+1]<sup>+</sup>, calcd.: 199.0541, obs.: 199.0549.

*2-(2-aminophenylthio)acetohydrazide (Table 1, Compound 11)*

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (700 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 9.15 (1 H, br. s.), 7.24 (1 H, dd, *J*=7.78, 1.50 Hz), 6.99 - 7.05 (1 H, m), 6.69 (1 H, dd, *J*=8.08, 1.20 Hz), 6.49 (1 H, td, *J*=7.33, 1.20 Hz), 5.41 (2 H, s), 4.24 (2 H, br. s.), 3.31 (2 H, s); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (176 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 167.79, 149.45, 134.93, 129.53, 116.29, 115.92, 115.67, 114.39, 36.30; HRMS: for C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S [M+1]<sup>+</sup>, calcd.: 198.0701, obs.: 198.0696.

*2-(*o*-tolylthio)acetohydrazide (Table 1, Compound 12)*

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (700 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 9.25 (1 H, s), 7.30 - 7.35 (1 H, m), 7.15 - 7.20 (2 H, m), 7.07 - 7.12 (1 H, m), 4.28 (2 H, s), 3.58 (2 H, s), 2.28 (3 H, s); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (176 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 167.10, 135.80, 135.38, 129.85, 126.96, 126.57, 125.49, 34.11, 19.75. HRMS: for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>13</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S [M+1]<sup>+</sup>, calcd.: 197.0749, obs.: 197.0746.

*2-(2-methoxyphenylthio)acetohydrazide (Table 1, Compound 13)*

$^1\text{H-NMR}$  (700 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  ppm 9.22 (1 H, br. s.), 7.27 (1 H, dd,  $J=7.78, 1.50$  Hz), 7.14 - 7.20 (1 H, m), 6.97 (1 H, dd,  $J=8.08, 1.20$  Hz), 6.92 (1 H, td,  $J=7.48, 1.20$  Hz), 3.81 (3 H, s), 4.26 (2 H, s), 3.52 (2 H, s);  $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$  (176 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  ppm 167.31, 155.97, 127.42, 126.67, 124.42, 120.96, 110.73, 55.70, 33.09. HRMS: for  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+1]^+$ , calcd.: 213.0698, obs.: 213.0697.

*N'*-{2-[(4-nitrophenyl)sulfanyl]acetyl}acetohydrazide (**Table 1, Compound 14**)

$^1\text{H-NMR}$  (700 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  ppm 10.20 (1 H, s), 9.94 (1 H, s), 8.10 - 8.15 (2 H, m), 7.56 - 7.61 (2 H, m), 3.92 (2 H, s), 1.85 (3 H, s);  $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$  (176 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  ppm 167.88, 166.03, 146.76, 144.65, 126.45, 123.75, 32.99, 20.38. HRMS: for  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_3\text{O}_4\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+1]^+$ , calcd.: 270.0549, obs.: 270.0557.

1-(2-nitrophenylthio)butan-2-one (**Table 1, Compound 15**)

$^1\text{H-NMR}$  (700 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  ppm 8.19 (1 H, dd,  $J=8.23, 1.35$  Hz), 7.68 (1 H, ddd,  $J=8.30, 7.11, 1.35$  Hz), 7.47 (1 H, dd,  $J=8.23, 1.05$  Hz), 7.39 (1 H, ddd,  $J=8.38, 7.18, 1.20$  Hz), 4.24 (2 H, s), 2.63 (2 H, q,  $J=7.28$  Hz), 0.92 - 0.98 (3 H, m);  $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$  (176 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  ppm 205.07, 145.58, 135.70, 134.14, 127.61, 125.85, 125.43, 41.59, 34.19, 7.61. HRMS: for  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{12}\text{NO}_3\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+1]^+$ , calcd.: 226.0538, obs.: 226.0542.

2-(2-nitrophenylthio)acetamide (**Table 1, Compound 16**)

$^1\text{H-NMR}$  (700 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  ppm 8.20 (1 H, dd,  $J=8.23, 1.35$  Hz), 7.72 (1 H, ddd,  $J=8.38, 7.18, 1.50$  Hz), 7.68 (1 H, br. s.), 7.63 (1 H, dd,  $J=8.23, 1.05$  Hz), 7.40 (1 H, ddd,  $J=8.15, 7.11, 1.20$  Hz), 7.26 (1 H, br. s.), 3.78 (2 H, s);  $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$  (176 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  ppm 169.10, 145.34, 136.55, 134.22, 127.31, 125.86, 125.39, 35.68. HRMS: for  $\text{C}_8\text{H}_9\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+1]^+$ , calcd.: 213.0334, obs.: 213.0334.

1-(2-nitrophenylthio)propan-2-one (**Table 1, Compound 17**)

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (700 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 8.20 (1 H, dd, *J*=8.38, 1.50 Hz), 7.68 (1 H, td, *J*=7.78, 1.50 Hz), 7.47 (1 H, dd, *J*=8.08, 0.90 Hz), 7.36 - 7.42 (1 H, m), 4.25 (2 H, s), 2.26 (3 H, s); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (176 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 202.49, 145.56, 135.59, 134.17, 127.55, 125.89, 125.47, 42.51, 28.89. HRMS: for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>10</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>S [M+1]<sup>+</sup>, calcd.: 212.0381, obs.: 212.0390.

*2-(2-nitrophenylthio)acetic acid (Table 1, Compound 18)*

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (700 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 10.55 (1 H, br. s.), 8.21 (1 H, dd, *J*=8.23, 1.35 Hz), 7.70 - 7.75 (1 H, m), 7.59 (1 H, dd, *J*=8.23, 1.05 Hz), 7.41 (1 H, ddd, *J*=8.15, 7.11, 1.20 Hz), 4.01 (2 H, s); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (176 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 169.98, 145.43, 135.83, 134.30, 127.32, 125.91, 125.55, 34.35. HRMS: for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>10</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>S [M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, calcd.: 231.0440, obs.: 231.0429.

*2-(methylthio)acetohydrazide (Table 1, Compound 19)*

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (700 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 9.10 (1 H, br. s.), 4.10 (2 H, br. s.), 3.00 (2 H, s), 2.09 (3 H, s); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (176 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 168.38, 34.59, 15.53. HRMS: for C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>9</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OS [M+1]<sup>+</sup>, calcd.: 121.0436, obs.: 121.0444.

*2-mercaptoacetohydrazide (Table 1, Compound 20)*

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (700 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 9.05 (1 H, br. s.), 4.36 (2 H, br. s.), 3.04 (1 H, br. s.), 1.74 (2 H, s); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (176 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 169.40, 33.49. HRMS: for C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>7</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OS [M+1]<sup>+</sup>, calcd.: 106.0201, obs.: 106.0213.

*butyrohydrazide (Table 1, Compound 21)*

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (700 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 8.90 (1 H, br. s.), 4.14 (2 H, br. s.), 1.97 (2 H, t, *J*=7.48 Hz), 1.48 - 1.52 (2 H, m), 0.84 (3 H, t, *J*=7.33 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (176 MHz, DMSO-

$d_6$ ):  $\delta$  ppm 170.90, 35.37, 18.62, 13.62. HRMS: for  $C_4H_{10}N_2O$   $[M+1]^+$ , calcd.: 102.0793, obs.: 102.0804.

*propionohydrazide (Table 1, Compound 22)*

$^1H$ -NMR (700 MHz,  $DMSO-d_6$ ):  $\delta$  ppm 0.98 (3 H, t,  $J=7.63$  Hz), 2.00 (2 H, q,  $J=7.48$  Hz), 4.13 (2 H, br. s.), 8.89 (1 H, br. s.);  $^{13}C$ -NMR (176 MHz,  $DMSO-d_6$ ):  $\delta$  ppm 172.46, 26.66, 9.98. HRMS: for  $C_3H_8N_2O$   $[M+1]^+$ , calcd.: 88.0637, obs.: 88.0632.

*acetohydrazide (Table 1, Compound 23)*

$^1H$ -NMR (700 MHz,  $DMSO-d_6$ ):  $\delta$  ppm 8.92 (1 H, br. s.), 4.13 (2 H, br. s.), 1.74 (3 H, s);  $^{13}C$ -NMR (176 MHz,  $DMSO-d_6$ ):  $\delta$  ppm 168.60, 20.50. HRMS: for  $C_2H_6N_2O$   $[M+1]^+$ , calcd.: 74.048, obs.: 74.0466.

*2,3-dihydrobenzo[b]thiophene-2-carbohydrazide (Table 1, Compound 24)*

$^1H$ -NMR (700 MHz,  $DMSO-d_6$ ):  $\delta$  ppm 11.52 (1 H, br. s.), 7.23 (1 H, d,  $J=7.18$  Hz), 7.18 (1 H, d,  $J=7.48$  Hz), 7.12 (1 H, t,  $J=7.33$  Hz), 7.03 (1 H, td,  $J=7.41, 1.05$  Hz), 4.61 (1 H, dd,  $J=8.83, 4.94$  Hz), 3.52 (1 H, dd,  $J=16.16, 4.79$  Hz), 3.46 (1 H, dd,  $J=16.01, 8.83$  Hz);  $^{13}C$ -NMR (176 MHz,  $DMSO-d_6$ ):  $\delta$  ppm 170.43, 138.94, 138.88, 127.50, 124.69, 124.64, 121.27, 46.30, 37.38. HRMS: for  $C_9H_{11}N_2OS$   $[M+1]^+$ , calcd.: 195.0592, obs.: 195.0597.

*2-(benzylthio)acetohydrazide (Table 1, Compound 25)*

$^1H$ -NMR (700 MHz,  $DMSO-d_6$ ):  $\delta$  ppm 9.12 (1 H, br. s.), 7.31 - 7.34 (4 H, m), 7.22 - 7.27 (1 H, m), 4.26 (2 H, s), 3.82 (2 H, s), 2.97 (2 H, s);  $^{13}C$ -NMR (176 MHz,  $DMSO-d_6$ ):  $\delta$  ppm 168.26, 138.04, 128.94, 128.35, 126.87, 35.63, 32.09. HRMS: for  $C_9H_{13}N_2OS$   $[M+1]^+$ , calcd.: 197.0749, obs.: 197.0756.

*2-(naphthalen-2-ylthio)acetohydrazide (Table 1, Compound 26)*

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (700 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 9.30 (1 H, s), 7.79 - 7.90 (4 H, m), 7.42 - 7.56 (3 H, m), 4.31 (2 H, br. s.), 3.71 (2 H, s); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (176 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 167.16, 133.77, 133.30, 131.13, 128.26, 127.59, 126.88, 126.68, 126.31, 125.65, 125.27, 34.57. HRMS: for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>13</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OS [M+1]<sup>+</sup>, calcd.: 233.0749, obs.: 233.0746.

*2-(pyridin-4-ylthio)acetohydrazide (Table 1, Compound 27)*

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (700 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 11.90 (1 H, br. s.), 8.65 - 8.70 (2 H, m), 7.93 - 8.00 (2 H, m), 4.33 (2 H, s), 3.55 (2 H, s); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (176 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 166.01, 161.30, 139.81, 122.44, 66.35, 31.84. HRMS: for C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>10</sub>N<sub>3</sub>OS [M+1]<sup>+</sup>, calcd.: 184.0545, obs.: 184.0550.

*2-(2-nitrophenyl)acetohydrazide (Table 1, Compound 28)*

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (700 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 9.18 (1 H, br. s.), 7.98 (1 H, dd, *J*=8.23, 1.35 Hz), 7.66 (1 H, td, *J*=7.48, 1.20 Hz), 7.51 - 7.54 (1 H, m), 7.48 (1 H, dd, *J*=7.63, 1.05 Hz), 4.19 (2 H, s), 3.80 (2 H, s); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (176 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ ppm 168.12, 149.24, 133.26, 133.15, 130.55, 128.16, 124.44, 37.35. HRMS: for C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>10</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M+1]<sup>+</sup>, calcd.: 196.0722, obs.: 196.0732.

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