

**Novel Polymyxin Combination with Antiretroviral Zidovudine Exerts Synergistic Killing
against NDM-producing MDR *Klebsiella pneumoniae***

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Figure S1. Observed bacterial counts *versus* individual (**upper panel**) and population (**lower panel**) fitted bacterial counts for polymyxin B and zidovudine alone or in combination against NDM-producing *Klebsiella pneumoniae* isolates. The solid red lines represent the line of identity. The values below the limit of detection are plotted as zero.

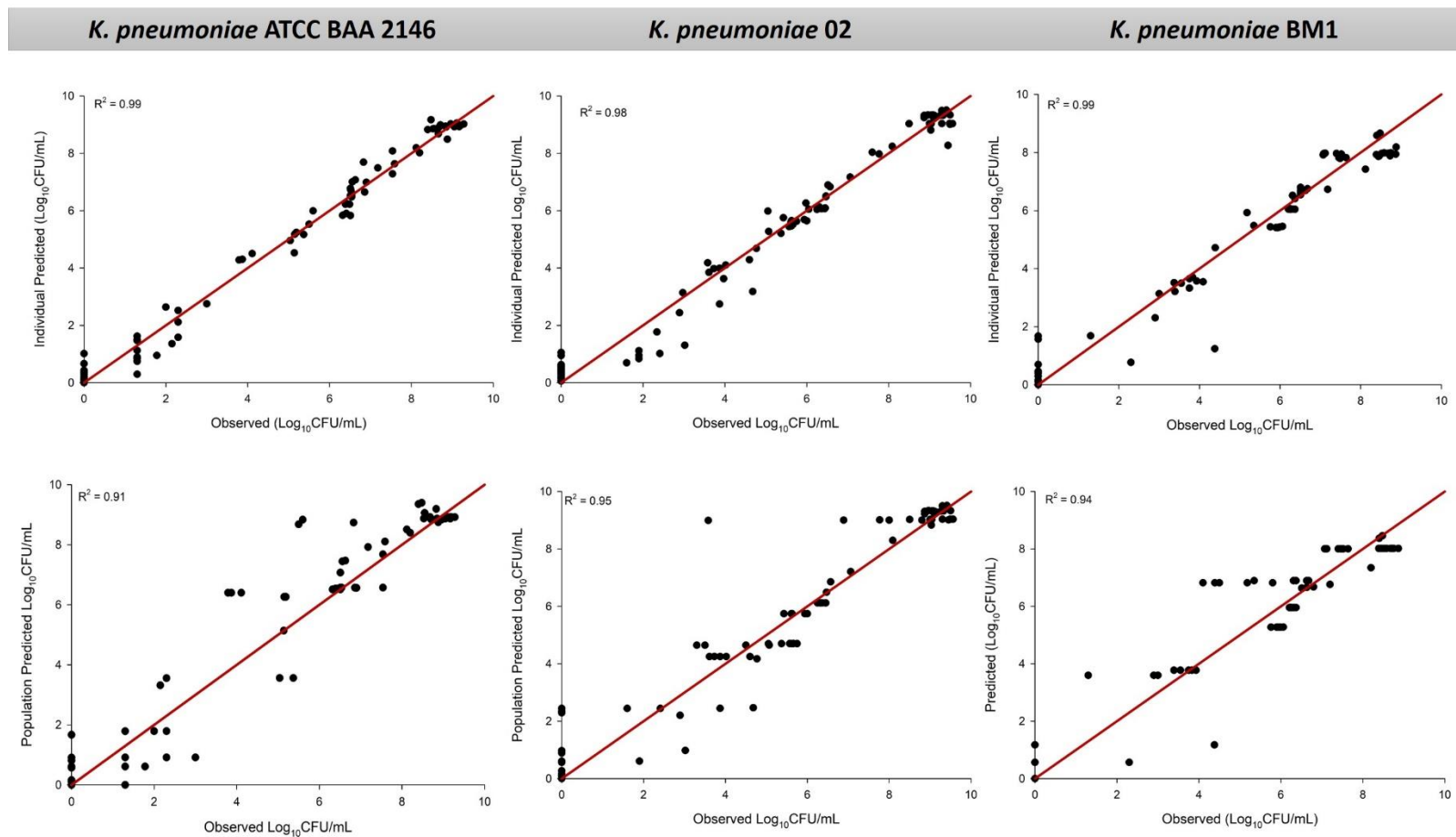


Table S1. Population mean parameter estimates for the synergic combination of polymyxin B and zidovudine against three NDM-producing *K. pneumoniae* strains. Values in parentheses are standard errors.

Parameter	Symbol	Unit	Population mean (SE [%]) for each strain and treatment		
			<i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC BAA 2146	<i>K. pneumoniae</i> 02	<i>K. pneumoniae</i> BM1
Initial inoculum for total bacterial population	$\text{Log}_{10}\text{CFU}_0$	CFU/mL	6.57 (1.01%)	6.49 (0.735%)	6.64 (1.12%)
Maximum population size	$\text{Log}_{10}\text{CFU}_{\text{max}}$	CFU/mL	8.92 (0.998%)	9.03 (0.356%)	8.02 (1.97%)
Mutation frequency					
Subpopulation 2	$\text{Log}_{10}(\text{MUT},\text{S}2)$	CFU/mL	-4.99 (2.56%)	-6.26 (1.29%)	-6.53 (5.49%)
Subpopulation 3	$\text{Log}_{10}(\text{MUT},\text{S}3)$	CFU/mL	-6.55 (1.61%)	-8.62 (1.77%)	-6.68 (0.775%)
First order bacterial death rate constant	K_d	1/h	0.224 (fixed)	0.434 (fixed)	0.209 (fixed)
Bacterial density at which VG_{max} is half-maximal					
Subpopulation 1	$\text{Log}_{10}\text{CFU}_m$	CFU/mL	7.5 (1.3%)	8.44 (0.515%)	8.32 (1.53%)

Subpopulations 2 & 3	$\text{Log}_{10}\text{CFU}_m$	CFU/mL	8.14 (1.2%)	8.44 (0.515%)	6.89 (2.53%)
Maximum fold-enhancement of K_d due to polymyxin B	$K_{\max,\text{PMB}}$	1/h	145 (4.57%)	1320 (4.92%)	602 (7.23%)
Polymyxin concentration resulting in 50% of $K_{\max,\text{PMB}}$					
Susceptible		mg/L	0.178 (35.8%)	0.345 (10.6%)	0.144 (10.6%)
Intermediate	$K_{C_{50},\text{PMB}}$		-	21.7 (4.98%)	-
Resistant		mg/L	23.6 (7.9%)	180 (10.2%)	137 (5.16%)
Maximum fold-reduction of VG_{\max} due to Zidovudine	$K_{\max,\text{ZID}}$	1/h	0.983 (5.37%)	1.6 (7.86%)	10.3 (4.52%)
Zidovudine concentration resulting in 50% of $K_{\max,\text{ZID}}$					
Susceptible		mg/L	0.999 (9.39%)	0.314 (15.6%)	0.355 (30.3%)
Intermediate	$K_{C_{50},\text{ZID}}$	mg/L	-	3.48 (7.67%)	-
Resistant		mg/L	754 (10.1%)	251 (5.58%)	155 (13.3%)
Hill coefficient for polymyxin effect	$\text{Log}_{10}(\text{Hill, PMB})$	-	0.733 (10.5%)	0.522 (5.81%)	0.835 (15.8%)

Hill coefficient for zidovudine effect	Log ₁₀ (Hill, ZID)	-	0.729 (17%)	0.793 (20.2%)	0.785 (14.9%)
Polymyxin B concentration resulting in 50% of IMAX _{ii}	IC _{50,SYN,PMB}	mg/L	10.8 (6.42%)	0.502 (18.7%)	0.471 (16.5%)
Maximum fractional decrease of IC _{50,Synergy,Polymyxin} by polymyxin B	IMAX _{ii}	1/h	7.72 (1.48%)	5.86 (1.98%)	1.97 (4.24%)

The between-curve variability was set to a coefficient of variation of 15% for all parameters.