

Supplementary tables

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Antifungal synergy of a topical triazole, PC945, with a systemic triazole against respiratory *Aspergillus fumigatus* infection

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SUPPLEMENTARY TABLE S1

Susceptibility of PC945 and known antifungals to *A. fumigatus* isolates determined by standard broth microdilution (EUCAST)

<i>A. fumigatus</i> strain	(MIC: µg/mL)				
	PC945	Posaconazole	Voriconazole	Itraconazole	Amphotericin B
NCPF2010	0.063	0.125	1	0.25	2
TR34/L98H	>4	1	>4	>4	0.5
TR ₄₆ /Y121F/T289A	>16	0.5	>16	>16	0.25

Plates were incubated for 48 h at 35°C, and MIC was determined visually using an azole endpoint.

SUPPLEMENTARY TABLE S2

Quantitative analysis of Susceptibility of PC945 and known antifungals to *A. fumigatus* isolates determined by standard broth microdilution

($\mu\text{g/mL}$)	PC945		Posaconazole		Voriconazole		Itraconazole		Amphotericin B	
<i>A. fumigatus</i> strain	IC ₅₀	IC ₉₀	IC ₅₀	IC ₉₀	IC ₅₀	IC ₉₀	IC ₅₀	IC ₉₀	IC ₅₀	IC ₉₀
NCPF2010	0.0084	0.010	0.0086	0.014	0.16	0.20	0.016	0.033	0.23	0.48
TR34/L98H	0.034	>1	0.086	0.13	>1	>1	0.22	>1	0.14	0.29
TR ₄₆ /Y121F/T289A	0.67	>1	0.12	0.72	>1	>1	0.27	0.77	0.088	0.38

Plates were incubated for 48 h at 35°C after which turbidity was assessed by measuring optical density (OD) at 530 nm using a spectrophotometer, and the IC₅₀ and IC₉₀ values were calculated from the concentration-response curve generated for each test compound.

SUPPLEMENTARY TABLE S3

Antifungal activities of PC945, posaconazole and voriconazole 24h post *A.fumigatus* (NCPF2010 or TR34/L98H) inoculation in bilayer alveolus model

IC ₅₀ /IC ₉₀ (µg/mL)	Treatment in upper chamber				Treatment in lower chamber			
	PC945	posaconazole	voriconazole	itraconazole	PC945	posaconazole	voriconazole	itraconazole
NCPF2010	0.17/0.41	0.11/0.15	0.61/0.91	0.074/0.40	NA	0.01/0.036	0.12/0.37	0.09/0.27
TR34/L98H	0.41/1.45	0.16/0.40	1.4/>3	0.37/2.3	NA	<0.01/0.012	0.18/1.1	0.15/0.89

NA: not applicable (not relevant as it is expected only limited systemic exposure), ND: not done

SUPPLEMENTARY TABLE S4

Checkerboard analysis in broth microdilution assay in a microtiter plate for a combination of PC945 and posaconazole (top), PC945 and itraconazole (middle) and PC945 and voriconazole (bottom)

% inhibition		Posaconazole (µg/ml)				IR value		Posaconazole (µg/ml)			
		0	0.008	0.016	0.031			0	0.008	0.016	0.031
PC945 (µg/ml)	0	0.0	9.5	14.1	62.4	PC945 (µg/ml)	0				
	0.008	0.0	14.1	0.0	0.0		0.008		1.49	NC	NC
	0.016	67.2	35.0	24.9	23.0		0.016		0.50	0.35	0.26
	0.031	88.1	39.3	90.8	85.1		0.031		0.44	1.01	0.89
	0.063	79.7	89.2	86.8	74.3		0.063		1.09	1.05	0.80

% inhibition		Itraconazole (µg/ml)				IR value		Itraconazole (µg/ml)			
		0	0.031	0.063	0.125			0	0.031	0.063	0.125
PC945 (µg/ml)	0	0.0	0.0	67.8	74.4	PC945 (µg/ml)	0				
	0.008	0.0	0.0	46.1	97.9		0.008		NC	0.68	1.32
	0.016	16.9	0.0	61.8	97.1		0.016		NC	0.84	1.23
	0.031	56.3	96.9	97.5	98.6		0.031		1.72	1.14	1.11
	0.063	89.5	96.3	97.6	98.0		0.063		1.08	1.01	1.01

% inhibition		Voriconazole (µg/ml)					IR value		Voriconazole (µg/ml)				
		0	0.063	0.125	0.25	0.5			0	0.063	0.125	0.25	0.5
PC945 (µg/ml)	0	0.0	0.0	35.0	59.9	89.7	PC945 (µg/ml)	0					
	0.008	0.0	0.0	0.0	72.7	99.1		0.008		NC	NC	1.21	1.10
	0.016	0.0	0.0	92.2	96.9	97.8		0.016		NC	2.64	1.62	1.09
	0.031	68.9	58.3	84.8	94.8	98.4		0.031		0.85	1.06	1.08	1.02
	0.063	89.2	97.2	95.0	98.3	97.7		0.063		1.09	1.02	1.03	0.99

Inhibition % of fungal growth was calculated using OD values (OD530nm), and IR value (synergy index) was also calculated. NC: not calculable due to 0% inhibition for both compounds or in combination.

SUPPLEMENTARY TABLE S5 Effects of combination treatment on inhibition of azole-resistant TR₃₄/L98H *A. fumigatus* invasion.

<u>Compartment Treated</u>		Days (% Inhibition)					
Upper	Lower	1	2	3	4	5	6
Posaconazole (1 µg/mL)	DMSO	99.3±0.34 ⁴	29.5±14.1	1.54±1.44	0.1±0.00	0.65±0.49	1.30±0.78
DMSO	Posaconazole (1 µg/mL)	100±0.43 ⁴	100±0.40 ⁴	100±0.40 ⁴	99.9±0.52 ⁴	81.4±13.9 ⁴	0.1±0.00
Posaconazole (1 µg/mL)	Posaconazole (1 µg/mL)	100±0.43 ⁴	100±0.42 ⁴	100±0.48 ⁴	100±0.45 ⁴	98.9±1.82 ⁴	0.1±0.00
	SR ¹	1.00±0.00	1.00±0.00	1.00±0.00	1.00±0.00	1.30±0.24	0.21±0.15
Voriconazole (3 µg/mL)	DMSO	30.6±9.46	0.34±0.24	1.48±1.11	0.1±0.00	1.62±0.88	0.90±0.80
DMSO	Voriconazole (3 µg/mL)	100±0.40 ⁴	100±0.44 ⁴	99.6±0.18 ⁴	11.1±3.07	0.62±0.26	1.06±0.96
Voriconazole (3 µg/mL)	Voriconazole (3 µg/mL)	100±0.44 ⁴	100±0.43 ⁴	100±0.47 ⁴	19.5±1.22	15.1±4.38	2.61±1.26
	SR ¹	1.00±0.00	1.00±0.00	1.00±0.00	2.18±0.81	19.8±13.6	12.9±6.47

1:Synergic Ratio (>1: Synergy), 2:p<0.05, 3:p<0.01, 4:p<0.001 vs. infection control

SUPPLEMENTARY TABLE S6 Survival study in *A.fumigatus* (NCPF2010) infected neutropenic immunocompromised mice

S6-1 1st in vivo study (Fig. 3)

		Study survivors On Day 7	Median survival	Log-rank (Mantel Cox) test (p value) (vs infection) (combination vs.single)	
Infection control		0/6 (0%)	5 days		
Posaconazole	1.0 mg/mL po	0/6 (0%)	6.5 days	0.0156	
Posaconazole	10 mg/mL po	4/6 (67%)	undefined	0.0026	
PC945	0.4 mg/mL in	0/6 (0%)	6 days	0.093 (NS)	
PC945 + posaconazole	0.4 mg/mL in + 1.0 mg/mL po	5/6 (83%)	undefined	0.0005	0.0036 vs, POS-1 alone 0.0012 vs PC945 alone

S6-2 2nd in vivo study

		Study survivors On Day 7	Median survival	Log-rank (Mantel Cox) test (p value) (vs infection) (combination vs.single)	
Infection control		0/12 (0%)	5 days		
Posaconazole	1.0 mg/mL po	2/6 (33%)	7 days	0.0087	
Posaconazole	10 mg/mL po	4/6 (67%)	Undefined	0.0011	
PC945	0.4 mg/mL in	1/6 (17%)	6.5 days	0.017	
PC945 + posaconazole	0.4 mg/mL in + 1.0 mg/mL po	5/6 (83%)	Undefined	0.0002	0.022 vs POS-1 alone 0.018 vs PC945 alone

in: intranasally, PO: orally

SUPPLEMENTARY TABLE S7

Effects of repeated prophylactic treatment of PC945 and posaconazole on *A. fumigatus* (NCPF2010) penetration to the human alveolus.

(DFB ₅₀ : Days)	Posaconazole			PC945		
	-24h	-96 to -24h	-168 to -24h	-24h	-96 to -24h	-168 to -24h
pre-treatment						
0.3µg/mL	1.2	1.9	1.3	<1	2.0	3.0
1µg/mL	2.4	2.6	3.1	2.5	6.8	6.4

Compounds were treated 24h before infection, 96, 72, 48, 24h repeatedly before infection or 168, 144, 120, 96, 72, 48, 24h repeatedly before infection. DFB50 (Days until fungal burden reaches 50% of control) was calculated in each treatment arm.