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Mutation 1	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative %
F508del	201	87.39	87.39
G542X	3	1.30	88.70
G551D	4	1.74	90.43
N1303K	6	2.61	93.04
R553X	3	1.30	94.35
1717-1G->A	1	0.43	94.78
621+1G->T	1	0.43	95.22
G85E	1	0.43	95.65
I507del	1	0.43	96.09
3659delC	2	0.87	96.96
R560T	1	0.43	97.39
Other	6	2.61	100
Total	230	100	

Table S1. CFTR mutations in subjects enrolled in this study.

Mutation 2	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative %
F508del	129	56.09	56.09
G542X	7	3.04	59.13
G551D	8	3.48	62.61
N1303K	9	3.91	66.52
W1282X	3	1.30	67.83
R117H	1	0.43	68.26
1717-1G->A	4	1.74	70.00
621+1G->T	2	0.87	70.87
2789+5G->A	1	0.43	71.30
3849+10kbC->T	2	0.87	72.17
R1162X	1	0.43	72.61
3120+1G->A	1	0.43	73.04
I507del	4	1.74	74.78
3659delC	1	0.43	75.22
R560T	1	0.43	75.65
2184delA	2	0.87	76.52
711+1G->T	1	0.43	76.96
Unknown	1	0.43	77.39
Other	52	22.61	100
Total	230	100	

Figure S1. Timeline for collection of cultures, lung function tests, pulmonary exacerbation histories, and treatment histories during the study period.



Table S2. SCV culture positivity at each site.

Site	N ^a	Ever SCV Pos
Boston	51	18 (35.3%) ^b
Baylor	50	7 (14.0%)
Pittsburgh	50	17 (34.0%)
Seattle	29	6 (20.7%)
Alabama	50	16 (32.0%)
Total	230	64 (27.8%)

^a Total # of patients (N) per site

^b Number (Percent) of SCV culture-positive subjects per site

Figure S2. Frequency of isolation of *Staphylococcus aureus* normal colony (NC) and small-colony variants (SCVs) from respiratory specimens collected from study subjects, by MRSA status.



Table S3. Culture findings for subjects at baseline and SCV culture status during the study.

	Baseline Culture ^a	SCV Culture Stat	us During Study ^b	_
	Total Popul	Never SCV Pos	Ever SCV Pos	
Organism	(N=230)	(N=166)	(N=64)	p-value
Pseudomonas aeruginosa	66 (28.7%) ^c	49 (29.5%)	17 (26.6%)	0.66
Staphylococcus aureus	185 (80.4%)	124 (74.7%)	61 (95.3%)	0.0004
MRSA	57 (24.8%)	34 (20.5%)	23 (35.9%)	0.0150
MSSA-SCV	13 (5.7%)	4 (2.4%)	9 (14.1%)	0.0006
MRSA-SCV	1 (0.4%)	0 (0.0%)	1(1.6%)	0.11
Burkholderia cepacia complex	7 (3.0%)	5 (3.0%)	2 (3.1%)	0.96
Haemophilus species	51 (22.2%)	40 (24.1%)	11 (17.2%)	0.26
Stenotrophomonas maltophilia	47 (20.4%)	37 (22.3%)	10 (15.6%)	0.26
Achromobacter sp.	6 (2.6%)	4 (2.4%)	2 (3.1%)	0.76
Nontuberculous mycobacteria (NTM)	1 (0.4%)	1 (0.6%)	0 (0.0%)	0.53
Other	212 (92.2%)	152 (91.6%)	60 (93.8%)	0.58

^a Baseline organisms represented those detected at any of 3 visits prior to enrollment by their respective study site; SCV detection protocols varied by site. Mean baseline samples per subject was 3 (SD 0.35).

^b Culture status during the study only included post-enrollment cultures and were determined by the central study laboratory.

^c Number (Percent) of subjects culture-positive at baseline for the organisms listed and the subsequent detection of SCVs during the study in these same subjects.

Figure S3. SCV detection patterns for the 64 subjects with SCVs detected at least once during the study (Visits 1-9). Each row of circles represents the culture results for one SCV culture-positive subject (y-axis, subject number). Open circles, cultures negative for SCVs; closed (red) circles, SCV-positive cultures. Baseline cultures were performed at each subject's respective site; SCV detection protocols varied by site. All study visit cultures were performed at the central study laboratory.



Table S4. Characteristics of subjects positive for SCVs at 1 or more study visits.

	Frequency of S	SCV Cx Positivity ^a	
	SCV Cx Pos = 1	SCV Cx Pos > 1	
Demographics / Characteristics ^b	N = 34	N = 30	p-value
Age at enrollment	12.7 (3.0)	12.2 (3.0)	0.54
Sex			0.97
Male	16 (47%)	14 (47%)	
Female	18 (53%)	16 (53%)	
Genotype			0.84
F508 homoz	20 (59%)	18 (60%)	
F508 heteroz	9 (26%)	9 (30%)	
Other	5 (15%)	3 (10%)	
GLI FEV1pp	86.31 (23.69)	89.78 (18.06)	0.52
SCV Subtype			0.0013
Ever Non-THYD SCV	25 (74%)	10 (33%)	
Ever THYD SCV	9 (26%)	20 (67%)	

^a Number of SCV positive cultures during the study
 ^b Abbreviations: Cx Pos, culture positive; THYD, thymidine-dependent

	Ne	ver SCV Pos	Pos Ever SCV Pos (All)		Ever No	on-THYD ^b SCV Pos	Ever THYD SCV Pos		
Visit	Nª	Mean ± SD	N	Mean ± SD	N	Mean ± SD	N	Mean ± SD	
Baseline	164	92.4 ± 18.6	64	85.5 ± 19.0	35	90.9 ± 16.1	29	79 ± 20.5	
1	157	92.4 ± 17.2	64	85.5 ± 20.2	35	90.2 ± 14.7	29	79.9 ± 24.4	
2	159	91.2 ± 19.9	63	83.3 ± 19.9	34	87.9 ± 17.3	29	77.8 ± 21.7	
3	154	90.6 ± 18.8	63	83.6 ± 20.9	35	87.9 ± 15.9	28	78.2 ± 25.1	
4	147	91.1 ± 20.2	61	83.2 ± 21.0	34	89.3 ± 14.7	27	75.5 ± 25.1	
5	129	90.6 ± 18.8	52	83.7 ± 20.6	27	88.1 ± 17.0	25	79 ± 23.3	
6	86	91.6 ± 18.1	35	83.7 ± 21.5	19	90.8 ± 16.5	16	75.4 ± 24.2	
7	30	92.6 ± 21.2	15	80.2 ± 31.1	9	96.9 ± 14.5	6	55.2 ± 33.4	
8	2	100.0 ± 4.5	4	88.9 ± 35.3	3	106 ± 7.58	1	36.8	

Table S5. Mean GLI FEV $_{1}\mbox{pp}$ over time by SCV status and auxotrophic type.

^a Number of subjects ^b Abbreviation: THYD, thymidine-dependent.

Table S6. Association of SCVs with GLI FEV₁pp in univariate and multivariate analyses.

		Univariate		Multivariate Multivari					
Covariate	Coeff. ^a	95% CI	p-value	Coeff.	95% CI	p-value	Coeff.	95% CI	p-value
SCV Culture Status									
Never SCV Pos*	0			0			0		
Ever SCV Pos	-7.071	(-12.1951.948)	0.0068	-5.021	(-10.114-0.071)	0.05	-5.495	(-10.5070.483)	0.0316
Visit number	-0.396	(-0.6650.128)	0.0038	-0.394	(-0.6620.125)	0.0040	-0.394	(-0.6620.126)	0.0040
Age at enrollment				-1.103	(-1.8330.374)	0.0030	-0.929	(-1.6540.203)	0.0122
Sex									
Male*				0			0		
Female				-3.958	(-8.412-0.496)	0.08	-3.356	(-7.750-1.038)	0.13
Hispanic race									
Hispanic*				0			0		
Non-Hispanic				-0.705	(-11.800-10.390)	0.90	-2.233	(-13.178-8.712)	0.69
Genotype									
F508 homoz*				0			0		
F508 heteroz				3.783	(-1.157-8.722)	0.13	3.103	(-1.770-7.977)	0.21
Other				1.222	(-6.364-8.808)	0.75	1.178	(-6.274-8.629)	0.76
CFTR Modulator									
No*				0			0		
Yes				6.530	(-2.288-15.348)	0.15	6.043	(-2.625-14.710)	0.17
P. aeruginosa Cx Status									
Never PA Pos*							0		
Ever PA Pos							-7.389	(-12.3532.425)	0.0035
Constant	92.653	(89.843-95.463)	< 0.0001	105.87	(91.749-119.998)	<0.0001	107.49	(93.575-121.407)	< 0.0001
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* Baseline category

^a Abbreviations: Coefficient, Coeff.; Confidence Interval, CI; Culture, Cx.

		Univariate		Multivariate			
Covariate	Coeff.	95% Conf. Interval	p-value	Coeff.	95% Conf. Interval	p-value	
SCV Culture Status							
Never SCV Pos*	0			0			
Ever SCV Pos	-6.157	(-11.6490.666)	0.0277	-7.760	(-13.2502.260)	0.0057	
Visit number	-0.375	(-0.7080.042)	0.0271	-0.450	(-0.8700.040)	0.0333	
Ever SCV Pos - Visit # interaction*	-0.207	(-0.822-0.408)	0.51	-0.020	(-0.700-0.650)	0.95	
Age at enrollment				-0.450	(-1.260-0.360)	0.28	
Sex							
Male*				0			
Female				-4.400	(-9.180-0.380)	0.07	
Hispanic race							
Hispanic*				0			
Non-Hispanic				-5.790	(-19.050-7.460)	0.39	
Genotype							
F508 homoz*				0			
F508 heteroz				3.850	(-1.360-9.060)	0.15	
Other				-3.010	(-11.250-5.240)	0.47	
P. aeruginosa at enrollment							
Negative*				0			
Positive				-4.060	(-9.840-1.720)	0.17	
MRSA at enrollment							
Negative*				0			
Positive				-3.320	(-8.850-2.210)	0.24	
MRSA during study							
Negative*				0			
Positive				-1.140	(-3.150-0.860)	0.26	
Constant	95.928	(93.017-98.840)	<0.0001	112.73	(96.490-128.960)	<0.0001	

Table S7. Unadjusted and adjusted analyses of association of SCVs and changes in GLI FEV₁pp.

* Baseline category

^a Abbreviations: Coefficient, Coeff.; Confidence Interval, CI; Culture, Cx.

Table S8: Association of lung function with frequency of SCV detection.

Covariate ^a	Coefficient	95% Conf. Interval	p-value
Frequency of SCV Cx Positivity ^b			
SCV Cx Neg*	0		
SCV Cx Pos = 1	-10.169	(-16.6823.656)	0.0023
SCV Cx Pos > 1	-6.440	(-13.291-0.412)	0.07
Visit number	-0.380	(-0.6570.102)	0.0073
Constant	93.898	(90.846-96.950)	<0.0001

* Baseline category

^a Abbreviations: Cx Pos, culture positive

^b Number of SCV positive cultures during the study

	Never SCV Pos Ever SCV Pos (All)				Ever N	on-THYD SCV	' Pos	Ever THYD SCV Pos				
Visit ^a	Total (N) [♭]	# with PEx ^c	%	Total (N)	# with PEx	%	Total (N)	# with PEx	%	Total (N)	# with PEx	%
1	166	82	49.4%	64	34	53.1%	35	17	48.6%	29	17	58.6%
2	166	62	37.3%	64	28	43.8%	35	11	31.4%	29	17	58.6%
3	162	63	38.9%	64	36	56.3%	35	18	51.4%	29	18	62.1%
4	158	63	39.9%	63	38	60.3%	35	17	48.6%	28	21	75.0%
5	149	50	33.6%	61	27	44.3%	34	9	26.5%	27	18	66.7%
6	131	44	33.6%	52	21	40.4%	27	10	37.0%	25	11	44.0%
7	91	25	27.5%	35	16	45.7%	19	7	36.8%	16	9	56.3%
8	30	8	26.7%	15	4	26.7%	9	1	11.1%	6	3	50.0%

Table S9. Prevalence of pulmonary exacerbations by SCV status and auxotrophic type.

^a Visit 1 represented the first quaterly visit after enrollment. Retrospective analysis of pulmonary exacerbations was not performed preventing the addition of baseline values in this table.

^b Total number of subjects.

^c Number of subjects with a pulmonary exacerbation (PEx) in the study quarter between the indicated study visit and the prior study visit.

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Univariate Multivariate			Multivariate		Multivariate							
Covariate	OR ^a	95% CI	p-value	OR	95% CI	p-value	OR	95% CI	p-value	OR	95% CI	p-value
SCV Culture Status												
Never SCV Pos*	1.000			1			1			1		
Ever SCV Pos	1.727	(1.185-2.516)	0.0045	1.546	(1.065-2.244)	0.0219	1.492	(1.037-2.147)	0.0312	1.414	(0.984-2.032)	0.06
Visit number	0.900	(0.846-0.958)	0.0009	0.898	(0.844-0.956)	0.0007	0.898	(0.844-0.956)	0.0007	0.896	(0.842-0.954)	0.0006
Age at enrollment				1.082	(1.024-1.142)	0.0046	1.097	(1.040-1.158)	0.0007	1.082	(1.025-1.142)	0.0034
Sex												
Male*				1			1			1		
Female				1.472	(1.056-2.051)	0.0225	1.546	(1.116-2.142)	0.0088	1.482	(1.073-2.045)	0.0149
Hispanic race												
Hispanic*				1			1			1		
Non-Hispanic				0.763	(0.335-1.737)	0.52	0.664	(0.296-1.486)	0.32	0.687	(0.312-1.510)	0.35
Genotype												
F508 homoz*				1			1			1		
F508 heteroz				1.063	(0.739-1.529)	0.74	1.005	(0.704-1.437)	0.98	0.997	(0.700-1.419)	0.99
Other				0.720	(0.408-1.273)	0.26	0.716	(0.411-1.249)	0.24	0.68	(0.392-1.181)	0.17
CFTR Modulator												
No*				1			1			1		
Yes				0.550	(0.279-1.085)	0.09	0.535	(0.275-1.039)	0.07	0.571	(0.297-1.098)	0.09
P. aeruginosa Cx Stat	us											
Never PA Pos*							1			1		
Ever PA Pos							0.547	(0.377-0.792)	0.0014	0.508	(0.350-0.737)	0.0004
GLI FEV1pp at enrollr	nent									0.991	(0.982-0.999)	0.0389

^a Abbreviations: Odds Ratio, OR; Confidence Interval, CI; Culture, Cx.

 Table S11: Association of pulmonary exacerbations with frequency of SCV detection.

		Univariate	
Covariate ^a	Odds Ratio	95% Conf. Interval	p-value
Frequency of SCV Cx Positivity ^b			
SCV Neg*	1		
SCV Cx Pos = 1	1.221	(0.749-1.992)	0.42
SCV Cx Pos > 1	2.166	(1.293-3.627)	0.0034
Visit number	0.933	(0.873-0.997)	0.0422

* Baseline category

^a Abbreviations: Cx Pos, culture positive

^b Number of SCV positive cultures during the study

	Multivariate ^a					
Covariate ^b	Odds Ratio	95% Conf. Interval	p-value			
Aminoglycoside						
No*	1					
Yes	1.417	(0.765-2.626)	0.27			
Beta-lactam						
No*	1					
Yes	0.759	(0.393-1.467)	0.41			
Fluoroquinolone						
No*	1					
Yes	0.844	(0.451-1.577)	0.60			
Glycopeptide						
No*	1					
Yes	0.986	(0.342-2.841)	0.98			
Lincosamide						
No*	1					
Yes	0.956	(0.236-3.869)	0.95			
Macrolide						
No*	1					
Yes	1.318	(0.724-2.401)	0.37			
Polymyxin						
No*	1					
Yes	4.258	(0.954-18.997)	0.06			
Rifamycin						
No*	1					
Yes	0.285	(0.034-2.410)	0.25			
Sulfonamide						
No*	1					
Yes	1.892	(1.026-3.488)	0.0407			
Tetracycline						
No*	1					
Yes	1.216	(0.565-2.615)	0.62			
Anti-fungal						
No*	1					
Yes	2.949	(0.245-35.487)	0.39			
Hypertonic Saline						
No*	1					
Yes	0.430	(0.222-0.831)	0.0121			
Inhaled Steroid		. ,				
No*	1					
Yes	1.486	(0.809-2.733)	0.20			
Dornase alfa		· · ·				
No*	1					
Yes	3.267	(1.059-10.073)	0.0394			

Table S12: Association between treatment and subsequent SCV detectionin multivariate analysis.

* Baseline category

^a Covariates in the multivariate analysis for each antibiotic included the following: Age at enrollment; Sex (Male*, Female); Hispanic race (Hispanic*, Non-hispanic); Genotype (F508 homoz*, F508 heteroz, Other)

^b Treatment exposures were evaluated for the study quarter prior to the culture under consideration.

Auxotrophy ^a	MSSA-SCV (N=101)	MRSA-SCV (N=84)	Total (N=185)
Thymidine	35 (34.7) ^b	68 (81.0)	103 (55.7)
Hemin	3 (3.0)	0 (0.0)	3 (1.6)
Menadione	6 (5.9)	0 (0.0)	6 (3.2)
Fatty Acid	25 (24.8)	2 (2.4)	27 (14.6)
Menadione + Fatty Acid	1 (1.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.5)
Carbon Dioxide	4 (4.0)	0 (0.0)	4 (2.2)
No Complementation	19 (18.8)	13 (15.5)	32 (17.3)
Not Determined	8 (7.9)	1 (1.2)	9 (4.9)

Table S13. SCV auxotrophic types cultured from CF subjects.

^a Auxotrophic types of SCVs. 17.3% of all SCVs did not complement with the conditions tested but showed poor growth on lab media. 9 SCVs reverted during culture, and auxotrophy could not be determined.

^b Number (Percent of MSSA-SCV, MRSA-SCV, or of the Total) of each auxotrophic SCV subtype.

Table S14. Association of SCV subty	pes and GLI FEV ₁ pp in univa	riate and multivariate analyses.
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	Univariate				Multivariate		Multivariate			
Covariate	Coeff. ^a	95% CI	p-value	Coeff.	95% CI	p-value	Coeff.	95% CI	p-value	
SCV Culture Status										
Never SCV Pos*	0			0			0			
Ever Non-THYD SCV Pos	-2.687	(-9.152-3.778)	0.42	-1.127	(-7.458-5.203)	0.73	-1.384	(-7.617-4.849)	0.66	
Ever THYD SCV Pos	-13.095	(-20.0906.100)	0.0003	-10.003	(-16.8623.144)	0.0043	-10.489	(-17.2493.730)	0.0024	
Visit number	-0.367	(-0.6930.040)	0.0274	-0.365	(-0.6910.039)	0.0280	-0.364	(-0.6900.038)	0.0284	
Age at enrollment				-1.189	(-1.9170.460)	0.0014	-1.024	(-1.7510.297)	0.0058	
Sex										
Male*				0			0			
Female				-4.330	(-8.794-0.134)	0.06	-3.643	(-8.065-0.779)	0.11	
Hispanic race										
Hispanic*				0			0			
Non-Hispanic				-1.942	(-12.973-9.089)	0.73	-3.483	(-14.397-7.431)	0.53	
Genotype										
F508 homoz*				0			0			
F508 heteroz				4.691	(-0.231-9.614)	0.06	4.001	(-0.870-8.871)	0.11	
Other				1.402	(-6.250-9.053)	0.72	1.187	(-6.345-8.720)	0.76	
CFTR Modulator										
No*				0			0			
Yes				6.876	(-1.865-15.617)	0.12	6.524	(-2.083-15.131)	0.14	
<i>P. aeruginosa</i> Cx Status										
Never PA Pos*							0			
Ever PA Pos							-6.913	(-11.9211.904)	0.0068	
Constant	92.72	(89.737-95.704)	<0.0001	107.933	(93.839-122.027)	<0.0001	109.421	(95.506-123.335)	<0.0001	

^a Abbreviations: Coefficient, Coeff.; Confidence Interval, CI; Culture, Cx; THYD, thymidine-dependent.

		Univariate Multivariate Multivariate Multivariate			Multivariate			Multivariate	
Covariate	Coeff. ^a	95% CI	p-value	Coeff.	95% CI	p-value	Coeff.	95% CI	p-value
MRSA / SCV Cx Status									
MSSA NC*	0			0			0		
MSSA SCV	-9.409	(-17.4551.363)	0.0217	-7.773	(-15.664-0.117)	0.05	-7.924	(-15.8410.007)	0.0498
MRSA NC	-4.944	(-10.499-0.610)	0.08	-3.869	(-9.387-1.649)	0.17	-5.115	(-10.738-0.508)	0.08
MRSA SCV	-10.524	(-18.2052.842)	0.0073	-7.780	(-15.4390.122)	0.0461	-8.435	(-16.1490.721)	0.0318
Visit number	-0.379	(-0.6570.102)	0.0074	-0.378	(-0.6550.101)	0.0075	-0.289	(-0.620-0.042)	0.09
Age at enrollment				-0.916	(-1.6940.138)	0.0209	-0.850	(-1.6370.063)	0.0340
Sex									
Male*				0			0		
Female				-4.863	(-9.5950.131)	0.0436	-4.496	(-9.303-0.311)	0.07
Hispanic race									
Hispanic*				0			0		
Non-Hispanic				-3.690	(-15.337-7.956)	0.54	-4.897	(-16.646-6.851)	0.41
Genotype									
F508 homoz*				0			0		
F508 heteroz				2.846	(-2.389-8.080)	0.29	3.115	(-2.155-8.384)	0.25
Other				0.364	(-7.653-8.380)	0.93	0.522	(-7.699-8.743)	0.90
CFTR Modulator									
No*				0			0		
Yes				6.663	(-2.846-16.173)	0.17	7.339	(-2.235-16.913)	0.13
P. aeruginosa Cx Status	5								
Never PA Pos*							0		
Ever PA Pos							-4.769	(-10.362-0.825)	0.10
Constant	95.407	(91.487-99.327)	<0.0001	109.861	(95.006-124.716)	<0.0001	111.052	(95.970-126.134)	< 0.0001
* Decaline enterer									

 Table S15. Association of SCVs with lung function based on MRSA status in univariate and multivariate analyses.

^a Abbreviations: Coefficient, Coeff.; Confidence Interval, CI; Culture, Cx; Normal Colony, NC

		Univariate Multivariate		!	Multivariate			Multivariate				
Covariate	OR ^a	95% CI	p-value	OR	95% CI	p-value	OR	95% CI	p-value	OR	95% CI	p-value
MRSA / SCV Cx Status												
MSSA NC*	1			1			1			1		
MSSA SCV	1.131	(0.623-2.054)	0.69	1.054	(0.588-1.890)	0.86	1.060	(0.598-1.877)	0.84	0.958	(0.543-1.691)	0.88
MRSA NC	1.623	(1.075-2.450)	0.0212	1.538	(1.022-2.314)	0.0389	1.443	(0.965-2.159)	0.07	1.360	(0.914-2.026)	0.13
MRSA SCV	2.900	(1.641-5.125)	0.0002	2.533	(1.445-4.442)	0.0012	2.385	(1.375-4.136)	0.0020	2.149	(1.244-3.713)	0.0061
Visit number	0.928	(0.866-0.994)	0.0323	0.930	(0.870-0.993)	0.0312	0.929	(0.870-0.993)	0.0305	0.928	(0.868-0.991)	0.0269
Age at enrollment				1.074	(1.014-1.138)	0.0152	1.083	(1.023-1.147)	0.0059	1.069	(1.010-1.132)	0.0212
Sex												
Male*				1			1			1		
Female				1.574	(1.107-2.240)	0.0117	1.658	(1.171-2.347)	0.0044	1.580	(1.121-2.227)	0.0091
Hispanic race												
Hispanic*				1			1			1		
Non-Hispanic				0.986	(0.415-2.343)	0.97	0.870	(0.371-2.037)	0.75	0.833	(0.361-1.922)	0.67
Genotype												
F508 homoz*				1			1			1		
F508 heteroz				1.118	(0.761-1.643)	0.57	1.084	(0.743-1.581)	0.68	1.069	(0.737-1.551)	0.72
Other				0.815	(0.446-1.488)	0.51	0.818	(0.454-1.476)	0.51	0.763	(0.426-1.370)	0.37
CFTR Modulator												
No*				1			1			1		
Yes				0.565	(0.272-1.174)	0.13	0.560	(0.273-1.149)	0.11	0.583	(0.289-1.179)	0.13
P. aeruginosa Cx Status												
Never PA Pos*							1			1		
Ever PA Pos							0.568	(0.378-0.851)	0.0062	0.542	(0.363-0.810)	0.0028
GLI FEV1pp at enrollmer	nt									0.990	(0.980-0.999)	0.0307
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Table S16. Association of SCVs and occurrence of pulmonary exacerbations based on MRSA status in univariate and multivariate analyses.

^a Abbreviations: OR, Odds Ratio.; Confidence Interval, CI; Culture, Cx; Normal Colony, NC

Table S17. Analysis of the association of lung function and history of antibiotic use during the study.

	Univariate ^a			
Covariate	Difference	95% Conf. Interval	p-value	
Ever treated with Aminoglycoside				
No*	0			
Yes	-4.89	(-9.630.15)	0.0395	
Ever treated with Beta-lactam				
No*	0			
Yes	-6.85	(-12.001.69)	0.0069	
Ever treated with Fluoroquinolone				
No*	0			
Yes	-8.23	(–12.92-–3.55)	0.0006	
Ever treated with Macrolide				
No*	0			
Yes	-3.49	(-8.25-1.27)	0.15	
Ever treated with Sulfonamide				
No*	0			
Yes	-2.96	(-7.81-1.88)	0.23	
Ever treated with Tetracycline				
No*	0			
Yes	-8.01	(-13.982.05)	0.0050	

* Baseline category

Table S18. Analysis of the association of pulmonary exacerbation and history of antibioitic use during the study.

	Univariate				
Covariate	Odds Ratio	95% Conf. Interval	p-value		
Ever treated with Aminoglycoside					
No*	1				
Yes	0.533	(0.397-0.716)	<0.0001		
Ever treated with Beta-lactam					
No*	1				
Yes	2.586	(1.883-3.553)	<0.0001		
Ever treated with Fluoroquinolone					
No*	1				
Yes	2.240	(1.665-3.014)	0.00034		
Ever treated with Macrolide					
No*	1				
Yes	0.927	(0.702-1.225)	0.59		
Ever treated with Sulfonamide					
No*					
Yes	3.117	(2.344-4.145)	<0.0001		
Ever treated with Tetracycline					
No*	1				
Yes	2.180	(1.548-3.071)	<0.0001		

* Baseline category

	Ever Treated	Baseline	Visit 1	Visit 2	Visit 3	Visit 4	Visit 5	Visit 6	Visit 7
Medication	(N=230)	(N=230)	(N=230)	(N=226)	(N=221)	(N=210)	(N=183)	(N=126)	(N=45)
Beta-lactam	161 (70.0%)ª	96 (41.7%) ^b	51 (22.2%)	55 (24.3%)	51 (23.1%)	40 (19.0%)	37 (20.2%)	22 (17.5%)	13 (28.9%)
Aminoglycoside	120 (52.2%)	88 (38.3%)	29 (12.6%)	17 (7.5%)	30 (13.6%)	29 (13.8%)	26 (14.2%)	19 (15.1%)	10 (22.2%)
Macrolide	109 (47.4%)	93 (40.4%)	7 (3.0%)	6 (2.7%)	5 (2.3%)	4 (1.9%)	9 (4.9%)	12 (9.5%)	5 (11.1%)
Fluoroquinolone	101 (43.9%)	50 (21.7%)	22 (9.6%)	21 (9.3%)	23 (10.4%)	11 (5.2%)	17 (9.3%)	8 (6.3%)	0 (0.0%)
Sulfonamide	93 (40.4%)	47 (20.4%)	26 (11.3%)	22 (9.7%)	26 (11.8%)	23 (11.0%)	13 (7.1%)	12 (9.5%)	5 (11.1%)
Tetracycline	44 (19.1%)	25 (10.9%)	6 (2.6%)	7 (3.1%)	8 (3.6%)	11 (5.2%)	5 (2.7%)	3 (2.4%)	2 (4.4%)
Glycopeptide	20 (8.7%)	10 (4.3%)	3 (1.3%)	2 (0.9%)	1 (0.5%)	1 (0.5%)	3 (1.6%)	2 (1.6%)	0 (0.0%)
Polymyxin	9 (3.9%)	7 (3.0%)	2 (0.9%)	3 (1.3%)	1 (0.5%)	0 (0.0%)	3 (1.6%)	1 (0.8%)	1 (2.2%)
Rifamycin	8 (3.5%)	3 (1.3%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (0.4%)	1 (0.5%)	1 (0.5%)	1 (0.5%)	1 (0.8%)	0 (0.0%)
Oxazolidinone	14 (6.1%)	5 (2.2%)	2 (0.9%)	1 (0.4%)	2 (0.9%)	1 (0.5%)	3 (1.6%)	1 (0.8%)	1 (2.2%)
Lincosamide	12 (5.2%)	5 (2.2%)	1 (0.4%)	1 (0.4%)	5 (2.3%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (0.5%)	1 (0.8%)	0 (0.0%)
Nitroimidazole	4 (1.7%)	2 (0.9%)	1 (0.4%)	1 (0.4%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)
Antifungal	3 (1.3%)	2 (0.9%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	2 (1.1%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)
Ethambutol	2 (0.9%)	1 (0.4%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (0.5%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)

Table S19. History and frequency of treatment during the study

^a Number (Percent of total subjects) treated with an antibiotic from the specified drug class at any point during the study.

^b Number (Percent of subjects at each study visit) treated with an antibiotic from the specified drug class.

Table S20. Frequency of sulfonamide treatment of MSSA and MRSA culture-positive subjects during the study.

	Sulfonamid	_	
_	No	Total	
MRSA Cx Status	N (%)ª	N (%)	N (%)
MSSA Pos	69 (59.5)	34 (40.5)	103 (51.5)
MRSA Pos	47 (40.5)	50 (59.5)*	97 (48.5)
Total	116 (100)	84 (100)	200 (100)

^a Number (Percent) of subjects treated (Yes) or not treated (No) with sulfonamides.

Pearson chi-square (1) = 7.0464

* Sulfonamide treatment significantly higher in MRSA vs. MSSA Cx positive subjects (p-value = 0.0079).

Table S21. STROBE Statement.

	Item No	Recommendation	Comment
Title and abstract	1	(<i>a</i>) Indicate the study's design with a commonly used term in the title or the abstract	Indicated in the Abstract
		(b) Provide in the abstract an informative and balanced summary of what was done and what was found	Provided in the Abstract
Introduction			
Background/rationale	2	Explain the scientific background and rationale for the investigation being reported	Explained in the Introduction, paragraphs 5 and 6.
Objectives	3	State specific objectives, including any prespecified hypotheses	Stated in the Introduction, paragraph 6.
Methods			
Study design	4	Present key elements of study design early in the paper	Presented in the Abstract, subsection "Methods", and Methods, subsection "Study Design"
Setting	5	Describe the setting, locations, and relevant dates, including periods of recruitment, exposure, follow-up, and data collection	Described in the Methods, subsection "Study Design"
Participants	6	(a) Cohort study—Give the eligibility criteria, and the sources and methods of selection of participants. Describe methods of follow-up <i>Case-control study</i> —Give the eligibility criteria, and the sources and methods of case ascertainment and control selection. Give the rationale for the choice of cases and controls <i>Cross-sectional study</i> —Give the eligibility criteria, and the sources and methods of selection of participants	Described in the Methods, subsection "Study Design"
		(b) Cohort study—For matched studies, give matching criteria and number of exposed and unexposed Case-control study—For matched studies, give matching criteria and the number of controls per case	N/A
Variables	7	Clearly define all outcomes, exposures, predictors, potential confounders, and effect modifiers. Give diagnostic criteria, if applicable	Described in the Methods, subsections "Study Design", "Prevalence and correlates of infection with SCVs", and "Analysis of the association of SCVs, lung function, and pulmonary exacerbation risk"
Data sources/ measurement	8*	For each variable of interest, give sources of data and details of methods of assessment (measurement). Describe comparability of assessment methods if there is more than one group	Described in the Methods, subsections "Statistical methods", "Prevalence and correlates of infection with SCVs", and "Analysis of the association of SCVs, lung

			function, and pulmonary
Bias	9	Describe any efforts to address potential sources of bias	Described in Methods, subsection "Statistical methods"
Study size	10	Explain how the study size was arrived at	Described in Methods, subsection "Statistical methods"
Quantitative variables	11	Explain how quantitative variables were handled in the analyses. If applicable, describe which groupings were chosen and why	Described in Methods, subsection "Statistical methods"
Statistical methods	12	(a) Describe all statistical methods, including those used to control for confounding	Described in Methods, subsection "Statistical methods"
		(<i>b</i>) Describe any methods used to examine subgroups and interactions	Described in the Methods, subsections "Statistical methods", "Prevalence and correlates of infection with SCVs", and "Analysis of the association of SCVs, lung function, and pulmonary exacerbation risk"
		(c) Explain how missing data were addressed	N/A
		(d) Cohort study—If applicable, explain how loss to follow-up was addressed <i>Case-control study</i> —If applicable, explain how matching of cases and controls was addressed <i>Cross-sectional study</i> —If applicable, describe analytical methods taking account of sampling strategy	N/A
		(e) Describe any sensitivity analyses	N/A
Results			Comment
Participants 13*	(a) R study for el study	eport numbers of individuals at each stage of —eg numbers potentially eligible, examined igibility, confirmed eligible, included in the r, completing follow-up, and analysed	Described in the Methods, subsections "Study Design" and Results, paragraph 1
	(b) G stage	ive reasons for non-participation at each	
	(c) Co	onsider use of a flow diagram	Supplementary Figure S2
Descriptive 14* data	(a) Gi demo expos	ive characteristics of study participants (eg ographic, clinical, social) and information on sures and potential confounders	Described in the Methods, subsections "Study Design", and Table 1
	data	for each variable of interest	subsections "Statistical methods",
	(c) Co avera	o <i>hort study</i> —Summarise follow-up time (eg, age and total amount)	Described in the Methods, subsections "Study Design", and Results, paragraph 1

Outcome data	15*	<i>Cohort study</i> —Report numbers of outcome events	Described in Results		
		Case-control study—Report numbers in each	N/A		
		exposure category, or summary measures of			
		exposure			
		<i>Cross-sectional study</i> —Report numbers of outcome events or summary measures	N/A		
Main results	16	(<i>a</i>) Give unadjusted estimates and, if applicable, confounder-adjusted estimates and their precision (eg, 95% confidence interval). Make clear which confounders were adjusted for and why they were included	Described in Results and presented in Table 2 and 3 and Supplementary Tables S6, S7, S8, S10, S11, S12, S14, S15, S16, S17, and S18		
		(b) Report category boundaries when continuous variables were categorized	Described in Results and presented in Figures 1-2 and Table 3, Supplemental Tables S2, S3, S4, S5, S6, S7, S8, S9, S10, S11, S12, S13, S14, S15, S16, S17, S18, S20, and Supplemental Figure 2.		
		(c) If relevant, consider translating estimates of relative risk into absolute risk for a meaningful time period	N/A		
Other analyses	17	Report other analyses done—eg analyses of subgroups and interactions, and sensitivity analyses	Described in Results		
Discussion					
Key results	18	Summarise key results with reference to study objectives	Described in Discussion, paragraphs 1-3		
Limitations	19	Discuss limitations of the study, taking into account sources of potential bias or imprecision. Discuss both direction and magnitude of any potential bias	Described in Discussion, paragraphs 5-6		
Interpretation	20	Give a cautious overall interpretation of results considering objectives, limitations, multiplicity of analyses, results from similar studies, and other relevant evidence	Described in Conclusion		
Generalisability	21	Discuss the generalisability (external validity) of the study results	Described in Conclusion		
Other information					
Funding	22	Give the source of funding and the role of the funders for the present study and, if applicable, for the original study on which the present article is based	Described in Acknowledgements		