

Repurposing approach identifies pitavastatin as a potent azole chemosensitizing agent effective against azole-resistant *Candida* species

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Supplementary Table 1. Percent growth inhibition of antineoplastic, antiparasitic, and topical agents identified from Pharmakon drug library screening, in the presence or absence of fluconazole (FLC) 8 µg/ml.

Name	Indication	Percent Growth Inhibition (Mean±Standard deviation)	
		Without FLC	Plus FLC 8 µg/ml
Amsacrine	Antineoplastic	2.4±7.9	89±1.2
Dactinomycin	Antineoplastic	12.2±5.6	89±1.01
Mycophenolate mofetil	Antineoplastic	45.3±1.3	88.5±1.3
Nocodazole	Antineoplastic	30.1±0.3	63.8±1.8
Sodium phenylbutyrate	Antineoplastic	24.1±1.02	79.8±1.3
Teniposide	Antineoplastic	25.7±2	64.4±5.7
Berberine chloride	Antineoplastic, Antiarrhythmic	42.4±1.7	67.5±6.4
Abamectin	Antiparasitic	23.1±6.6	67.5±2.3
Dichlorophen	Antiparasitic	48.9±3.1	89±1.3
Diminazene aceturate	Antiparasitic	2.8±3.9	88.8±1.3
Doramectin	Antiparasitic	17±8.2	86.4±0.9
Eprinomectin	Antiparasitic	25.1±8.1	83.4±0.15
Homidium bromide	Antiparasitic	39.7±1.2	88.5±1.3
Ivermectin	Antiparasitic	48.4±4	88.3±1.9
Moxidectin	Antiparasitic	33±3.6	68±2.1
Tepoxalin	Antipsoriatic	44±0.4	89±0.7
Piroctone olamine	Antiseborrheic	30.8±1.1	89.1±0.1
Bithionate sodium	Antiseptic	50.2±0.12	89±1.26
Hexylresorcinol	Antiseptic	49.2±0.6	87.5±0.8
Mupirocin	Topical antibacterial	45.5±3.6	82.9±1.9
Pregnenolone succinate	Topical anti-inflammatory	6.5±4.9	70.8±2.3
Bufexamac	Topical anti-inflammatory	5±1.1	88±1.2
Prednicarbate	Topical anti-inflammatory	27.5±4.6	89.1±1.2

Supplementary Table 2. Effect of the pitavastatin-voriconazole (VRC) combination against different *Candida* strains.

Fungal Strain	MIC ($\mu\text{g/ml}$)				ΣFICI^1	Interaction
	VRC		Pitavastatin			
	Alone	Combined	Alone	Combined		
<i>C. albicans</i> SC5314	0.031	0.0078	4	0.5	0.38	SYN
<i>C. albicans</i> NR-29448	2	0.0312	8	2	0.27	SYN
<i>C. albicans</i> NR-29437	0.125	0.015	8	1	0.25	SYN
<i>C. albicans</i> ATCC 26790	0.125	0.015	8	1	0.25	SYN
<i>C. albicans</i> ATCC MYA 573	0.25	0.06	16	1	0.30	SYN
<i>C. albicans</i> TWO7241	0.125	0.06	8	1	0.61	ADD
<i>C. albicans</i> TWO7243	0.5	0.06	64	2	0.15	SYN
<i>C. albicans</i> SC-TAC1 ^{G980E}	0.062	0.015	32	8	0.50	SYN
<i>C. albicans</i> SC-MRR1 ^{P983S}	0.015	0.015	8	2	1.25	IND
<i>C. glabrata</i> ATCC 66032	0.125	0.015	64	16	0.37	SYN
<i>C. glabrata</i> ATCC MYA-2950	0.125	0.032	64	8	0.38	SYN
<i>C. glabrata</i> ATCC 2001	0.062	0.0078	64	16	0.38	SYN
<i>C. glabrata</i> HM-1123	0.25	0.062	64	16	0.50	SYN
<i>C. auris</i> 385	2	0.5	128	32	0.50	SYN
<i>C. auris</i> 386	1	0.25	128	16	0.38	SYN
<i>C. auris</i> 388	1	0.125	64	16	0.38	SYN
<i>C. auris</i> 389	2	0.5	64	16	0.50	SYN
<i>C. auris</i> 390	0.5	0.125	64	8	0.38	SYN

¹ ΣFICI (fractional inhibitory concentration index) is used to measure the interaction between the tested combinations. ΣFICI interpretation corresponded to the following definitions: synergism (SYN), $\Sigma\text{FICI} \leq 0.5$; additivity (ADD), $\Sigma\text{FICI} > 0.5$ and ≥ 1 ; and indifference (IND), $\Sigma\text{FICI} > 1$ and ≤ 4 .

Supplementary Table 3. Effect of the pitavastatin-itraconazole (ITC) combination against different *Candida* strains.

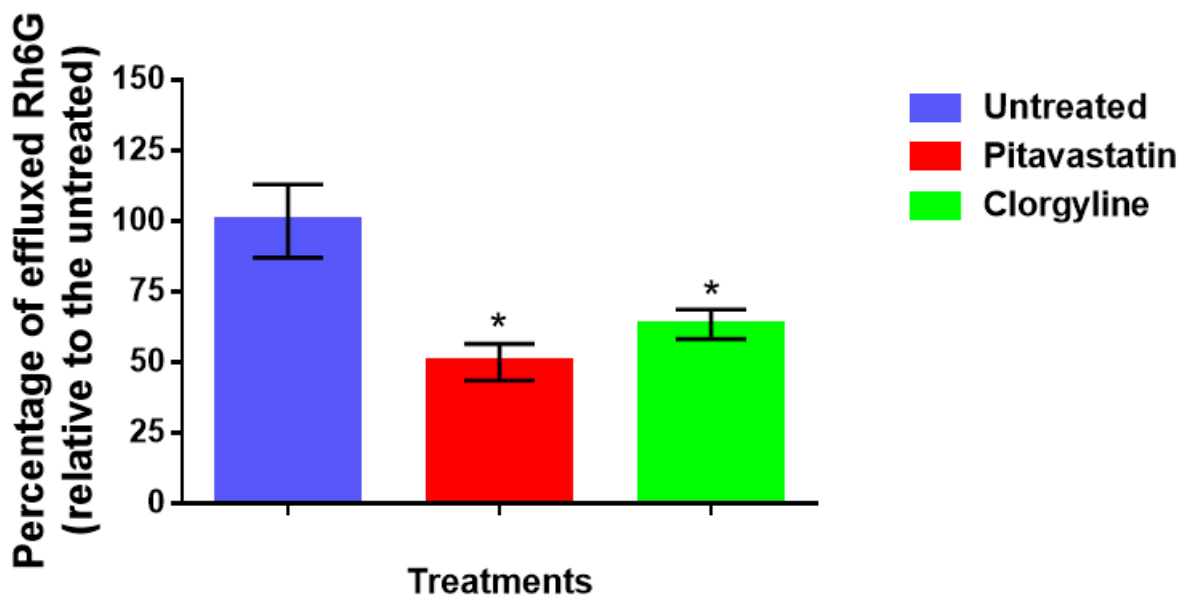
Fungal Strains	MIC ($\mu\text{g/ml}$)				ΣFICI^1	Interaction
	ITC		Pitavastatin			
	Alone	Combined	Alone	Combined		
<i>C. albicans</i> SC5314	0.125	0.125	4	1	1.25	IND
<i>C. albicans</i> NR-29448	4	0.062	8	0.25	0.05	SYN
<i>C. albicans</i> NR-29437	0.5	0.031	8	0.25	0.09	SYN
<i>C. albicans</i> ATCC 26790	0.25	0.062	8	0.25	0.28	SYN
<i>C. albicans</i> ATCC MYA 573	0.5	0.25	16	4	0.75	ADD
<i>C. albicans</i> TWO7241	0.5	0.25	8	1	0.63	ADD
<i>C. albicans</i> TWO7243	1	1	64	2	1.03	IND
<i>C. albicans</i> SC-TAC1 ^{G980E}	0.5	0.5	32	0.5	1.02	IND
<i>C. albicans</i> SC-MRR1 ^{P983S}	0.125	0.125	8	2	1.25	IND
<i>C. glabrata</i> ATCC 66032	0.5	0.25	64	2	0.53	ADD
<i>C. glabrata</i> ATCC MYA-2950	0.5	0.25	64	2	0.53	ADD
<i>C. glabrata</i> ATCC 2001	0.5	0.125	64	2	0.28	SYN
<i>C. glabrata</i> HM-1123	0.5	0.25	64	2	0.53	ADD
<i>C. auris</i> 385	1	0.25	128	16	0.38	SYN
<i>C. auris</i> 386	0.5	0.125	128	16	0.38	SYN
<i>C. auris</i> 388	1	0.25	64	16	0.50	SYN
<i>C. auris</i> 389	1	0.25	64	8	0.38	SYN
<i>C. auris</i> 390	1	0.062	64	16	0.31	SYN

¹ ΣFICI (fractional inhibitory concentration index) is used to measure the interaction between the tested combinations. ΣFICI interpretation corresponded to the following definitions: synergism (SYN), $\Sigma\text{FICI} \leq 0.5$; additivity (ADD), $\Sigma\text{FICI} > 0.5$ and ≥ 1 ; and indifference (IND), $\Sigma\text{FICI} > 1$ and ≤ 4 .

Supplementary Table 4: Source and description of *Candida* strains used in this study

Fungal Strain	Source	Description
<i>C. albicans</i> SC5314	ATCC	Wild-type strain
<i>C. albicans</i> NR-29448	BEI-Resources	Fluconazole-resistant bloodstream isolate (Arizona, USA)
<i>C. albicans</i> NR-29437	BEI-Resources	Fluconazole-resistant bloodstream isolate (China)
<i>C. albicans</i> ATCC 26790	ATCC	Fluconazole-resistant strain isolated from a patient with pulmonary candidiasis
<i>C. albicans</i> ATCC MYA-573	ATCC	Fluconazole-resistant bloodstream isolate (from an AIDS patient in Germany)
<i>C. albicans</i> TWO7241	Professor Theodor White (University of Missouri-Kansas City)	Fluconazole-resistant clinical isolate that exhibit increased mRNA levels of <i>MDR1</i> and <i>ERG11</i>
<i>C. albicans</i> TWO7243		Fluconazole- and itraconazole-resistant clinical isolate that exhibit increased mRNA levels of <i>CDR1</i> , <i>MDR1</i> , and <i>ERG11</i>
<i>C. albicans</i> SC-TAC1 ^{G980E}	Professor David Rogers (University of Tennessee).	A mutant strain with a gain-of-function homozygous mutation in <i>TAC1</i>
<i>C. albicans</i> SC-MRR1 ^{P983S}		A mutant strain with a gain-of-function homozygous mutation in <i>MRR1</i>
<i>C. glabrata</i> ATCC 66032	ATCC	Not available
<i>C. glabrata</i> ATCC MYA-2950	ATCC	Not available
<i>C. glabrata</i> ATCC 2001	ATCC	A clinical isolate from human intestinal fluid
<i>C. glabrata</i> HM-1123	BEI-Resources	A clinical isolate from the bronchi of a human patient (Missouri, USA)
<i>C. auris</i> 385	CDC	Resistant to fluconazole, itraconazole, voriconazole, and amphotericin B
<i>C. auris</i> 386	CDC	Resistant to fluconazole, voriconazole, and amphotericin B
<i>C. auris</i> 388	CDC	Resistant to fluconazole, itraconazole, voriconazole, and amphotericin B
<i>C. auris</i> 389	CDC	Resistant to fluconazole, itraconazole, voriconazole, and amphotericin B
<i>C. auris</i> 390	CDC	Resistant to fluconazole, itraconazole, and amphotericin B

C. albicans SC-TAC1G980E



Supplementary Figure 1: Effect of Pitavastatin on the rhodamine 6G (Rh6G) efflux. Energy-dependent efflux of rhodamine 6G from the ABC efflux-activated strain SC-TAC1^{G980E}. Deenergized cells were preloaded with rhodamine 6G, treated with pitavastatin (0.25 x MIC), or the positive control clorgyline (5 µg/ml), and the efflux of rhodamine was determined by direct measurement of the fluorescence in cell supernatants, following the addition of glucose (10 mM). The relative changes in the effluxed rhodamine as compared to the untreated control were determined. Data represent the means and standard deviations of triplicate determinations. * indicates a significant difference between each treatment compared to the untreated control ($P < 0.05$) as determined by one-way ANOVA with posthoc Dunnet's test for multiple comparisons.