## **Supplementary Information**

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**A)**



**B)**



**Figure S2. Related to Tables 1 and 2.** Synthetic route to A) and B) transposed indoles and C) transposed indazoles. A) To access the 3-methyl-*1H*-indole analogs, we first synthesized the *N-*Boc-2'-bromo-5' aminoacetophenone in two steps.(Bartoli et al., 2009) The *N*-Boc-protected ethyl 3-methyl-*1H*-indole-2 carboxylate **A1** was obtained by a ligand-free copper-catalyzed cascade reaction.(Cai et al., 2009) The 5 amino intermediate **A2** was provided upon TFA-mediated cleavage of the Boc group. The resulting amine **A2** was sulfonylated with *n*-butylsulfonyl chloride in presence of 2,6-lutidine to obtain *n*-butyl sulfonamide indole **5**. Saponification of the ethyl ester proceeded smoothly using LiOH in 1,4-dioxane with mild heating. The activation of acid **6** as a pentafluorophenyl (Pfp) ester **A3** and the subsequent treatment of the ester with aqueous ammonia provided the primary amide **8**. Direct routes from an ethyl ester to the parent amide reported in the literature(Csomós et al., 2007; Zhou et al., 2015) failed in our hands to provide **8** in satisfactory yield and reasonable reaction times. Initial attempts to reduce amide **8** with a variety of reducing agents (e.g., LiAlH4, BH3•THF) failed to provide the desired amine **11**.(Csomós et al., 2007; Csomós et al., 2006; Zhou et al., 2015) Several publications reported successful reductions of indole amides via the intermediate nitrile.(El-Fehail Ali et al., 1999; Steinman, 1978) Accordingly, we dehydrated the amide **8** with POCl<sub>3</sub> to provide nitrile **9**. While reductions of 2-nitrile indoles in the literature implemented LiAlH<sub>4</sub>, we were only able to detect the imine intermediate as the major product. Instead, NaBH4 in the presence of nickel(II) chloride was able to reduce the nitrile to the desired amine **11**.(Caddick et al., 2000; Khurana and Kukreja, 2002) B) The parent 3-methyl-*1H*-indole **4**, with a hydrogen 2-substituent, was synthesized by a Mizoroki-Heck reaction starting from commercially available 2-bromo-4-nitroaniline and allyl bromide.(Hennequin et al., 2003) C) Synthetic route to transposed indazoles. The nitro group in each starting indazole was reduced to the amine of type C1 via Pd-catalyzed hydrogenation or with tin(II) chloride in methanol with mild heating. The resulting 3-substituted 5-amino-*1H*-indazole was sulfonylated using the appropriate sulfonyl chloride in dry pyridine to afford the target compounds. (a) Pd/C, H<sub>2</sub>, EtOH, (b) RSO<sub>2</sub>Cl, pyridine,  $0^{\circ}$ C to rt. (c) SnCl<sub>2</sub>•2H<sub>2</sub>O, EtOH, reflux (d) RSO<sub>2</sub>Cl, pyridine,  $0^{\circ}$ C to rt.

**A)**







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**Figure S4. Related to Figure 2.** Unidentified electron density near the compound 9 binding site. An image of the unidentified electron density found near compound **9** in the KasA substrate binding pocket. KasA residues and **9** are depicted as yellow sticks, water molecules are depicted as red asterisks, the blue mesh represents the  $2F_0-F_c$  map scaled to 1.0 $\sigma$ , and the green mesh represents the  $F_0-F_c$  map scaled to 3.0 $\sigma$ . Image generated in Coot.(Emsley et al., 2010)



**Figure S5. Related to Figure 2.** Structural comparison of KasA-DG167 and KasA-9/10. A) Two molecules of DG167 (DG167<sub>A</sub> and DG167<sub>B</sub>) bind to KasA (PDB ID 5W2P). B) Schematic representation of DG167<sub>A</sub> interactions. C) Compound 9 modeled into the DG167<sub>B</sub> binding site (a second copy of 9 or 10 for D) was modeled into the DG167<sub>B</sub> site with PyMol Version 1.8.2.3(Delano, 2002) using DG167<sub>B</sub> as a scaffold to which the requisite modifications were made) revealed a steric clash with the KasA surface highlighted by the dashed red box. D) Compound 10 modeled into the DG167<sub>B</sub> binding site revealed a steric clash with the KasA surface highlighted by the dashed red box. E) Structural alignment of KasA-**9** and KasA-**10** using the KasA  $C\alpha$  atoms. F) Isolated and rotated view of compounds **9** and **10** from the structural alignment depicted in E). Molecules are labeled consistently throughout the figure. KasA is depicted as either a cyan surface or sticks. DG167<sub>A</sub> is depicted as either green balls-and-sticks or bonds. DG167<sub>B</sub> is depicted as magenta bonds. 9clash is depicted as yellow balls-and-sticks. 10clash is depicted as pink balls-and-sticks. Hydrogen bonds are depicted as dashed lines measured in Å. The blue semicircles with radiating lines represent hydrophobic contacts mediated by KasA residues. The schematic was produced with LIGPLOT.(Wallace et al., 1995)



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**Figure S7. Related to Table 2.** Effect of JSF-3285 on *M. tuberculosis* mycolic acid biosynthesis using 14Cacetate labeling of newly synthesized fatty acids (FAMEs) and mycolic acids (MAMEs). A) Normal-phase TLC showing effect of JSF-3285 on *M. tuberculosis* H37Rv. B) Quantification of bands in panel A TLC and two additional replicates. C) Reverse-phase TLC analysis showing effects on FAMEs in select samples from panel A. D) Quantification of bands in panel C TLC and two additional replicates (mean values are depicted). E – H) Normal-phase TLC analysis of MAMEs from JSF-3285 resistant isolates of *M. tuberculosis*: E – strain 8x5 and G – strain 16x16 (Table S3B) with F and H depicting quantification of panels E and G with two additional replicates each, respectively. The TLCs were visualized by phosphorimaging, quantified using ImageQuant Total Lab, and plotted using GraphPad Prism 8.1.2.



Cmpd	$\mathbf{R}^1$	$\mathbf{R}^2$	MIC H37Rv $(\mu M)$	Vero $CC_{50}$ $(\mu M)$
	CO <sub>2</sub> Et	$NHCO2-t-Bu$	>100	>160
$\overline{2}$	CO <sub>2</sub> Et	NH <sub>2</sub>	>100	110
3	Н	NO <sub>2</sub>	>100	140
6	CO <sub>2</sub> H	$NHSO2-n-Bu$	>100	>160
7	CH <sub>2</sub> OH	$NHSO2-n-Bu$	>100	>170
12	CH <sub>2</sub> NHAc	$NHSO2-n-Bu$	>100	>150

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a Resistant to INH, RIF, ethambutol, kanamycin, streptomycin, and capreomycin **bResistant to INH, RIF, and ethambutol** 

c Resistant to INH, ethambutol, *p-*aminosalicylic acid



A)



## C)





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A)

B)



<sup>a</sup> Capitalized letter in the codon shows nucleotide change

<sup>b</sup> Row indicates amino acid substitution corresponding to *kasA*-SNPs

nd = Not Determined

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Data collection and refinement statistics.  $R_{sym} = \sum_{h} \sum_{i} |I_i(h) - \langle I(h) \rangle| / \sum_{h} \sum_{i} I_i(h)$ , where  $I_i(h)$  is the i<sup>th</sup> measurement of h and  $\langle I(h)\rangle$  is the mean of all measurements of I(h) for reflection h. R<sub>work</sub>  $= \Sigma ||F_{o}|| - |F_{c}|| / \Sigma |F_{o}|$ , calculated with a working set of reflections. R<sub>free</sub> is R<sub>work</sub> calculated with only the test set of reflections. Data for the highest resolution shell are given in parentheses. The structures were determined using single crystals.

	9	<b>Compound Compound DG167</b> 10	
Plasma $AUC_{0-5h}$ <sup>a</sup> $(h*ng/mL)$	21511	15624	1965
$C_{\text{max}}$ <sup>a</sup> (ng/mL)	7260	3800	1030
<b>MIC</b> (ng/mL)	230	61	100
Plasma $AUC_{0-5h}$ /MIC <sup>a</sup>	93	260	20
$C_{\rm max}/MIC$ <sup>a</sup>	31	62	10
T>MIC <sup>a</sup> (h)	$\geq 5$	$\geq 5$	$3 - 5$
$C_{\text{lung}}/C_{\text{plasma}}$ at 5 h	2.54	0.96	nd
$t_{1/2}$ <sup>b</sup> (h)	1.03	1.30	0.54
Clearance b $(mL/h*kg)$	980.9	682.4	2855.1
$V_d$ (L/kg) <sup>b</sup>	1.45	1.28	2.21

**Table S5**. **Related to Table 1.** Mouse PK profiling of select indole compounds.

<sup>a</sup> Average of two mice following administration of a single 25 mg/kg po dose  $b$  Average of three mice following administration of a single 5 mg/kg iv dose nd = not determined

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A)

## B)



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<sup>a</sup> 25 mg/kg data from 8-h PK study

B)

A)



<sup>a</sup> 25 mg/kg data from 8-h PK study

C)



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