

Design, Synthesis and Antimicrobial Evaluation of New *N*-(1-hydroxy-1,3-dihydrobenzo[*c*][1,2]oxaborol-6-yl)(hetero)aryl-2-carboxamides as Potential Inhibitors of Mycobacterial Leucyl-tRNA Synthetase

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Supplementary Materials

1. Materials and Methods

1.1. Antibacterial Activity Screening

The microdilution broth method was performed according to EUCAST (The European Committee on Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing) instructions [1] with slight modifications. Eight tested bacterial strains (four G+ and four G-) were purchased from the Czech Collection of Microorganisms (CCM, Brno, Czech Republic) or the German Collection of Microorganisms and Cell Cultures (DSM, Braunschweig, Germany): *Staphylococcus aureus* subsp. *aureus* CCM 4223 (ATCC 29213), methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* subsp. *aureus* (MRSA) CCM 4750 (ATCC 43300), *Staphylococcus epidermidis* CCM 4418 (ATCC 12228), *Enterococcus faecalis* CCM 4224 (ATCC 29212), *Escherichia coli* CCM 3954 (ATCC 25922), *Klebsiella pneumoniae* CCM 4415 (ATCC 10031), *Acinetobacter baumannii* DSM 30007 (ATCC 19606), *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* CCM 3955 (ATCC 27853). The cultivation was done in Cation-adjusted Mueller-Hinton broth (CAMHB, M-H 2 Broth, Merck, Darmstadt, Germany) at 35 ± 2 °C.

Tested compounds were dissolved in DMSO (Merck) to produce stock solutions. The final concentration of DMSO in the cultivation medium did not exceed 1% (v/v) of the total solution composition and did not affect the growth of bacteria. Positive growth controls consisted of test microbe solely, while negative growth controls consisted of cultivation medium and DMSO. Antibacterial activity was expressed as minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC, in µM) after 24 and 48 h of static incubation in the dark and humidified atmosphere, at 35 ± 2 °C. Visual inspection and metabolic activity indicator, Alamar Blue (AlamarBlue™ Cell Viability reagent, ThermoFisher Scientific, USA), were used for MIC endpoint evaluation. The internal quality standards of gentamicin and ciprofloxacin (both from Merck) were involved in assays (for MIC of standards, see below).

1.2. Antifungal Activity Screening

Antifungal activity evaluation was performed using a microdilution broth method according to EUCAST instructions [2,3] with slight modifications. Eight fungal strains (four yeasts and four molds) were used for antifungal activity screening, namely: *Candida albicans* CCM 8320 (ATCC 24433), *Candida krusei* CCM 8271 (ATCC 6258), *Candida parapsilosis* CCM 8260 (ATCC 22019), *Candida tropicalis* CCM 8264 (ATCC 750), *Aspergillus fumigatus* ATCC 204305, *Aspergillus flavus* CCM 8363, *Lichtheimia corymbifera* CCM 8077, and *Trichophyton interdigitale* CCM 8377 (ATCC 9533). Tested

strains were purchased from the Czech Collection of Microorganisms (CCM, Brno, Czech Republic) or the American Type Collection Cultures (ATCC, Manassas, VA, USA).

Tested compounds were dissolved in DMSO and diluted in a two-fold manner with RPMI 1640 medium, glutamine, and 2% glucose, buffered to pH 7.0 with MOPS (3-morpholinopropane-1-sulfonic acid). The final concentration of DMSO in the testing medium did not exceed 1% (v/v) of the total solution composition. Static incubation was performed in the dark and a humid atmosphere, at 35 ± 2 °C, for 24 and 48 h (72 and 120 h for *Trichophyton interdigitale*, respectively). Positive growth controls consisted of test microbe solely, while negative growth controls consisted of cultivation medium and DMSO. Visual inspection and metabolic activity indicator, Alamar Blue (ThermoFisher Scientific, USA), were used for MIC endpoint evaluation. The internal quality standards, amphotericin B (Merck), and voriconazole (Toronto Research Chemicals, CA) were involved in assays (for IC₅₀, IC₉₀, and MIC of standards, see below).

2. Results

2.1. *In Silico* Study

Table S1: Score values from the template docking of the adducts of the synthesized compound and AMP into mtbLeuRS (PDB ID: 5AGR).

Comp.	S (Score)
11	-10.318074
17	-10.229079
7	-10.112683
10	-10.103503
4	-10.060172
2	-10.010665
9	-9.9291506
8	-9.4784718
1	-9.4719524
18	-9.3661909
12	-9.2085085
19	-8.8039217
14	-8.739666
6	-8.701005
3	-8.6372814
13	-8.5417795
5	-8.4964485
15	-8.4129076
16	-8.267931

2.2. Antibacterial Activity Screening

Table S2: Antibacterial activity of compounds **1–19** against tested bacterial species.

Strain	Compound–MIC (μM)																			
	Incb.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> subsp. <i>aureus</i>	24h	250	250	>500	125	>500	>500	>125	125	>500	250	>125	>500	>500	>500	500	125	>500	>500	125
	48h	250	250	>500	125	>500	>500	>125	125	>500	250	>125	>500	>500	>500	500	125	>500	>500	125
Methicillin-resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> subsp. <i>aureus</i>	24h	500	>500	>500	250	>500	>500	>125	125	>500	250	>125	>500	>500	>500	500	250	>500	>500	>125
	48h	500	>500	>500	250	>500	>500	>125	125	>500	250	>125	>500	>500	>500	500	500	>500	>500	>125
<i>Staphylococcus epidermidis</i>	24h	500	500	>500	500	>500	>500	>125	500	>500	500	>125	>500	>500	>500	500	500	>500	>500	>125
	48h	500	500	>500	500	>500	>500	>125	500	>500	500	>125	>500	>500	>500	500	>500	>500	>500	>125
<i>Enterococcus faecalis</i>	24h	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125
	48h	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	24h	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>500	500	>500	>500	>125
	48h	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i>	24h	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>500	500	>500	>500	>125
	48h	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125
<i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i>	24h	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125
	48h	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	24h	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125
	48h	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125

Note: MIC – minimum inhibitory concentration.

Table S3: Results of internal quality controls (standards) in antibacterial activity screening.

Internal quality control/standard	ciprofloxacin (μM)		gentamicin (μM)	
	MIC (spectrophotometric detection, 530 nm*)	MIC (visual detection**)	MIC (spectrophotometric detection, 530 nm*)	MIC (visual detection**)
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> spp. <i>aureus</i> CCM 4223	0.773	0.386—0.773	2.094	1.047
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> spp. <i>aureus</i> MRSA, CCM 4750	0.386	0.386	>16.751	>16.751
<i>Staphylococcus epidermidis</i> , CCM 4418	0.773	0.386	0.131	0.131
<i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> , CCM 4224	3.090	3.090	>16.751	>16.751
<i>Escherichia coli</i> , CCM 3954	0.024	0.024	2.094	>2.094
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> , CCM 4415	0.193	0.386	1.047	1.047
<i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i> , DSM 30007	1.545	1.545	16.751	16.751
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> , CCM 3955	1.545	0.773	1.047	1.047

Notes: Spectrophotometric detection – results were read with a microdilution plate reader (Synergy™ HTX, BioTek Instruments, Inc., USA) at wavelength 530 nm. MIC – minimum inhibitory concentration

*The MIC of antibacterial agents is the lowest concentration giving rise to an inhibition of growth of 95% of that of the drug-free control. Results were read 24 h after incubation without agitation at 35±2°C in a humidified atmosphere.

**The MIC was determined by the naked eye in the well with the lowest drug concentration, where no visible growth of microbial agent was detected. Results were read after 24 h incubation without agitation at 35±2°C in a humidified atmosphere.

2.3. Antifungal Activity Screening

Table S4: Antifungal activity of compounds 1–19 against tested fungal species.

Strain	Compound–MIC (μM)																			
	Incb.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
<i>Candida albicans</i>	24h	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>125
	48h	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>125
<i>Candida krusei</i>	24h	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>125
	48h	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>125
<i>Candida parapsilosis</i>	24h	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>125
	48h	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>125
<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	24h	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>125
	48h	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>125
<i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i>	24h	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>125
	48h	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>125
<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	24h	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>125
	48h	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>125
<i>Lichtheimia corymbifera</i>	24h	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>125
	48h	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>125
<i>Trichophyton interdigitale</i>	72h	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>125
	120h	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>125	>500	>500	>500	>125	>125

Note: MIC - minimum inhibitory concentration.

Table S5: Results of internal quality controls (standards) in antifungal screening.

Internal quality control/standard	amphotericin B (µM)		voriconazole (µM)	
	IC ₉₀ (spectrophotometric detection, 530 nm**)	MIC (visual detection*)	IC ₅₀ (spectrophotometric detection, 530 nm***)	visual detection*
<i>Candida albicans</i> , CCM 8320	1.082	1.082	0.086	>45.806
<i>Candida krusei</i> , CCM 8271	1.082	1.082	0.716	>45.806
<i>Candida parapsilosis</i> , CCM 8260	0.541	0.541	0.086	>45.806
<i>Candida tropicalis</i> , CCM 8321	1.082	1.082	0.179	>45.806
<i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i> , ATCC 204305	4.329	4.329	0.716	2.863
<i>Aspergillus flavus</i> , CCM 8363	4.329	4.329	5.726	>45.806
<i>Lichtheimia corymbifera</i> CCM 8077	1.082	1.082	>45.806	>45.806
<i>Trichophyton interdigitale</i> , CCM 8377	1.082	1.082	2.863	>45.806

Notes: Spectrophotometric detection- results were read with a microdilution plate reader (SynergyTM HTX, BioTek Instruments, Inc., USA) at wavelength 530 nm. MIC – minimum inhibitory concentration

*The MIC was determined by the naked eye in the well with the lowest drug concentration, where no visible growth of antifungal agent was detected. Results were read after 24 h (bacteria, yeasts) or 48 h (molds) microdilution plates cultivation without agitation at 35±2°C in a humidified atmosphere.

**The IC₉₀ of amphotericin B is the lowest concentration giving rise to an inhibition of growth of 90% of that of the drug-free control. Results were read after 24 h (yeasts) or 48 h (molds) microdilution plates cultivation without agitation at t 35±2°C in a humidified atmosphere.

***The IC₅₀ of voriconazole is the lowest drug concentration giving inhibition of growth of 50% of that of the drug-free control. Results were read after 24 h (yeasts) or 48 h (molds) microdilution plates cultivation without agitation at t 35±2°C in a humidified atmosphere.

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