

## *In vivo* Pharmacology: Lipopolysaccharide (LPS) Induced Septic Shock in Mice

Species, strain, sex: mouse, C57Bl/6, male  
 No. of animals per group: n=10-15  
 Pharmacological control: azithromycin  
 Routes of administration: PO, IP, SC, IV, IM  
 Treatment mode: prophylactic, therapeutic upon request  
 Duration of dosing:

Intraplantar sensitization and intravenous challenge with LPS, a constituent of the cell wall of Gram-negative bacteria, induces production of various inflammatory mediators (TNF $\alpha$ , IL-12p40, CCL5, IL-10, IL-1ra) with subsequent lethal outcome of experimental animals.

### Main read-outs:

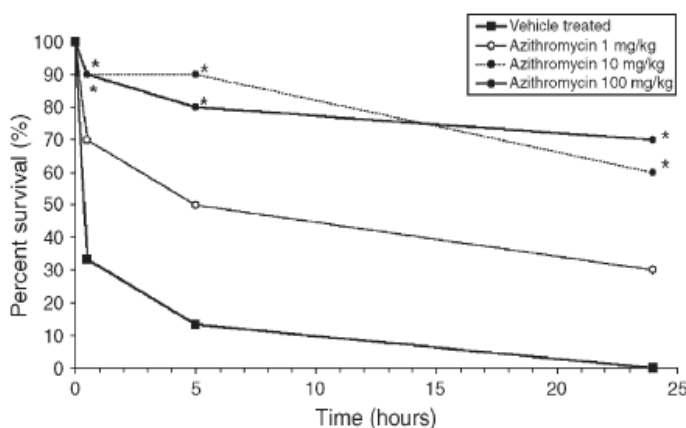
- survival

### Facultative read outs:

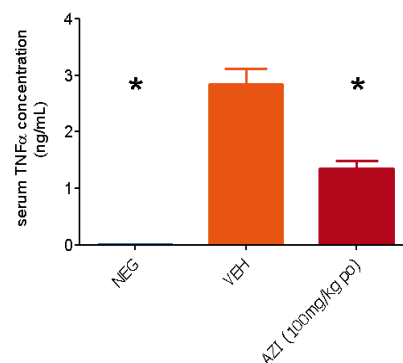
- serum inflammatory mediators

The anti-inflammatory activity of test compounds is evaluated by survival monitoring (main read-out) or by measuring concentration of inflammatory mediators (facultative read-out).

Effect of Azithromycin on survival rate in LPS-induced septic shock



Effect of Azithromycin on serum TNF- $\alpha$  concentration in LPS-induced inflammation



\*p < 0,05 vs. Veh; Kruskal-Wallis with Dunn's multiple comparison test

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