

Antifungal susceptibility testing of SCY-247 against contemporary clinical yeast isolates

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Introduction:

- Invasive fungal infections continue to impact morbidity and mortality.¹
- The investigation of antifungal activity of new antifungals is paramount due to increasing reports of drug resistance.²
- SCY-247 is a second-generation IV/oral triterpenoid antifungal with broad-spectrum activity against yeasts and molds in development.

Aim:

- To report out the antifungal susceptibility profiles of SCY-247, a next generation triterpenoid fungerp, against clinically relevant, contemporary yeast isolates.

Methods:

- Clinical isolates were collected from a tertiary care hospital in Houston, Texas, in 2022-2024
- Isolates were tested following CLSI M27-A3 methodology for broth dilution susceptibility testing of yeasts.
- Antifungal plates for SCY-247 were made in-house following CLSI M60 standards, and the following antifungals were also tested: amphotericin B (AMB), anidulafungin (AFG), isavuconazole (ISA), voriconazole (VOR), posaconazole (POS), fluconazole (FLU) and 5-fluorocytosine (5FC).
- Candida krusei* (ATCC 6258) and *Candida parapsilosis* (ATCC 22019) were run with all batches as quality control.

Results:

- MIC range, MIC 50, MIC 90 and geometric means were calculated for SCY-247 and existing antifungals (Table 1).
- MIC50 endpoint:
 - 4/9 (44%) of the *Candida* species had a tight MIC range of 0.03-0.06 µg/ml for SCY-247 at 24 hours.
 - Candida tropicalis* exhibited the widest range, 0.03-0.5 µg/ml at 24 hours for SCY-247.
 - Cryptococcus neoformans* SCY-247 range varied from 0.03-1 µg/ml at 72 hours.
- MIC90 endpoint:
 - For *Candida* species, the SCY-247 range was 0.03-0.5 µg/ml, except *C. tropicalis*, which ranged from 0.06-4 µg/ml at 24 hours.
 - Cryptococcus neoformans* SCY-247 MICs ranged from 0.5-2 µg/ml at 48 hours and did not change at 72 hours.
- SCY-247 demonstrated activity against *C. auris*, and fluconazole-resistant *C. parapsilosis*.

Conclusions:

- SCY-247 demonstrated antifungal activity against clinically relevant yeasts, including epidemiologically-relevant species such as *Candida auris* and fluconazole-resistant *Candida parapsilosis*.

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Table 1: SCY-247 and other antifungals MIC activity

Isolates + Antifungal	N	MIC50 Endpoint Read Time				MIC90 Endpoint Read Time			
		24 hour		24 hour		24 hour		24 hour	
		MIC Range	GM	MIC ₅₀	MIC ₉₀			MIC ₅₀	MIC ₉₀
<i>Candida albicans</i>	20	0.03-0.25	0.065	0.06	0.125	0.06-0.25	0.124	0.125	0.25
		AMB	0.06-0.25	0.124	0.125	0.25	0.203	0.25	0.25
		AFG	0.015-0.125	0.017	0.015	0.015	0.017	0.015	0.015
		ISA	0.015-0.03	0.016	0.015	0.015	0.017	0.015	0.015
		VOR	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03
		POS	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.032	0.03	0.03
		FLU	0.125-0.5	0.171	0.125	0.25	0.21	0.25	0.25
<i>Candida auris</i>	20	0.125-0.25	0.139	0.125	0.25	0.125-0.5	0.171	0.125	0.25
		SCY-247	0.03-0.06	0.037	0.03	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06
		AMB	0.125-2	0.406	0.25	1	0.595	0.5	1
		AFG	0.015-0.5	0.09	0.125	0.25	0.329	0.5	0.5
		ISA	0.015-0.5	0.057	0.06	0.25	0.209	0.125	0.5
		VOR	0.03-1	0.209	0.25	0.5	0.658	1	2
		POS	0.03-0.06	0.031	0.03	0.03	0.056	0.06	0.06
<i>Candida dubliniensis</i>	14	8.0->64	38.055	64	>64	32->64	61.82	>64	>64
		SCY-247	0.03-0.06	0.032	0.03	0.03	0.055	0.03	0.125
		AMB	0.6-0.125	0.063	0.06	0.06	0.131	0.125	0.125
		AFG	0.015-1	0.033	0.03	0.03	0.075	0.06	0.125
		ISA	0.015	0.015	0.015	0.015	0.022	0.015	0.03
		VOR	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03
		POS	0.03-0.125	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.03	0.06
<i>Candida glabrata</i>	20	0.125-1	0.32	0.25	0.5	0.25-1	0.525	0.5	1
		SCY-247	0.03-0.06	0.03	0.03	0.06	0.03	0.03	0.125
		AMB	0.06-0.5	0.125	0.125	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.5
		AFG	0.015-0.06	0.06	0.03	0.06	0.125	0.06	0.06
		ISA	0.015-0.125	0.06	0.015	0.125	0.125	0.06	0.25
		VOR	0.03-0.125	0.03	0.03	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.125
		POS	0.03-0.125	0.06	0.03	0.125	0.125	0.125	0.25
<i>Candida krusei</i>	19	0.125-4	2	1	2	0.25-8	4	2	4
		SCY-247	0.06-0.25	0.111	0.125	0.25	0.259	0.25	0.5
		AMB	0.06-0.5	0.186	0.25	0.25	0.417	0.5	0.5
		AFG	0.03-0.125	0.037	0.03	0.06	0.106	0.125	0.25
		ISA	0.03-0.5	0.143	0.125	0.5	0.465	0.5	1
		VOR	0.03-0.5	0.16	0.25	0.5	0.402	0.5	0.5
		POS	0.03-0.25	0.106	0.125	0.25	0.3	0.25	0.5
<i>Candida lusitaniae</i>	9	8.0-64.0	24.788	32	32	32.0-64.0	44.437	32	64
		SCY-247	0.03-0.125	0.052	0.03	0.125	0.198	0.25	0.5
		AMB	0.06-0.25	0.134	0.125	0.25	0.214	0.25	0.25
		AFG	0.03-0.125	0.084	0.06	0.125	0.214	0.25	0.25
		ISA	0.015-1	0.044	0.015	0.125	0.015-2	0.09	0.03
		VOR	0.03-2	0.048	0.03	0.03	0.056	0.03	0.06
		POS	0.03-0.125	0.038	0.03	0.06	0.071	0.06	0.125
<i>Candida orthopsis</i>	9	0.125->64	0.735	0.25	1	0.25->64	1.361	0.5	2
		SCY-247	0.06-0.125	0.077	0.06	0.125	0.17	0.125	0.25
		AMB	0.06-0.125	0.106	0.125	0.125	0.214	0.25	0.25
		AFG	0.25-1	0.583	0.5	1	0.857	1	1
		ISA	0.015-0.06	0.017	0.015	0.015	0.066	0.03	0.125
		VOR	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.052	0.03	0.125
		POS	0.03-1	0.048	0.03	0.06	0.113	0.06	0.125
<i>Candida parapsilosis</i>	20	0.25-4	0.857	0.5	2	1.0-16	2.333	2	8