



# Peptide Antibiotics

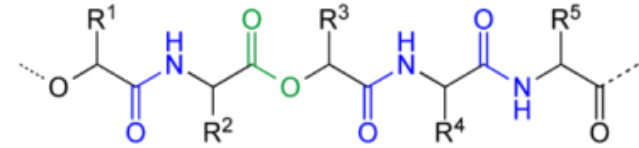
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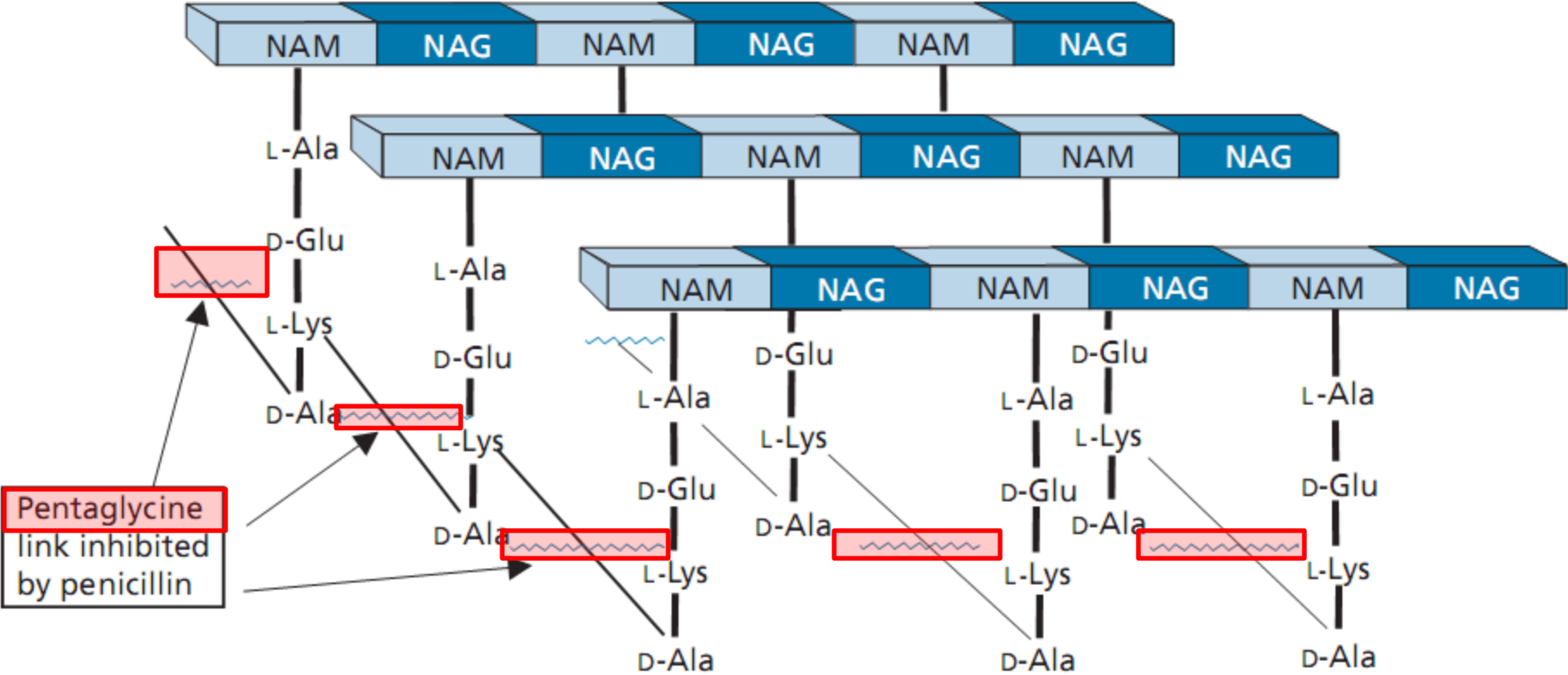
- Natural sources: extracted from bacterial cultures:
  - ✓ *Bacillus*; *Streptomyces spp.*; *Actinomycetes*
- Structural characteristics:
  - ✓ cyclo-peptide
  - ✓ glyco- peptides
  - ✓ semi-synthetic modified peptides
- MOAs are **not the same** for all of the peptide antibiotics.
- Include:
  - ✓ Cycloserine
  - ✓ Bacitracin
  - ✓ Vancomycin
  - ✓ Teicoplanin
  - ✓ Daptomycin
  - ✓ Streptogramins
  - ✓ Capreomycin
  - ✓ Polymyxins
  - ✓ Colistin

# Structural Characteristics for Peptide Antibiotics

- Linear, cyclic & polycyclic structures
  - ✓ cross linked amino acids
  - ✓ aromatic amino-acids
  - ✓ D-stereo-chemistry amino-acids
  - ✓ un-natural amino acids as building blocks
  - ✓ polyketides: structures which have both ketone & amide bond
  - ✓ depsipeptides: structures which have both ester & amide bond
  - ✓ charge of protein: depends on the nature of amino acids: acid, base & zwitter
  - ✓ water solubility & oral absorption: depends on the nature of amino acids
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- Peptide antibiotics: mostly cyclo-peptides & glyco-peptides
  - Derived building blocks: lipo-peptide, carbo-peptide, ...: antigenic
  - Hence: challenging synthetic targets: semi-synthetic approaches



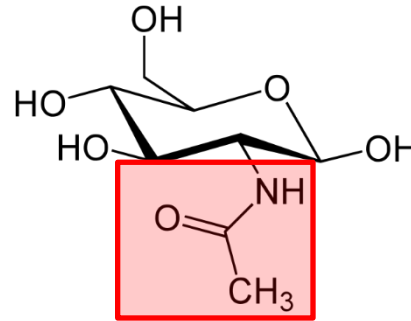
# Structure of PPG in Cell Wall



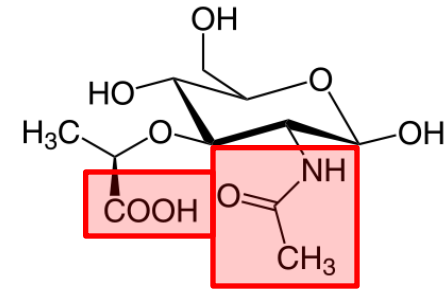
**FIGURE 19.13** Peptidoglycan structure of bacterial cell walls.

# Components of Peptidoglycan in Cell Wall

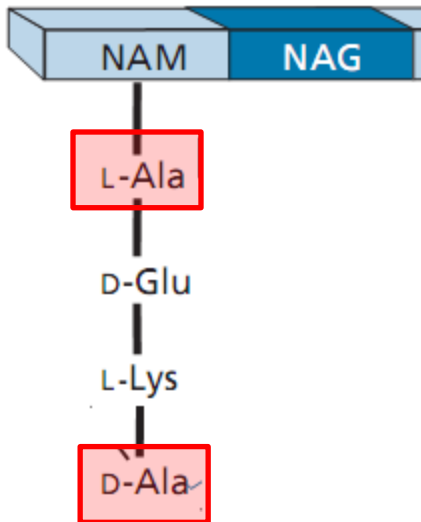
N-Ac-Glucose-amine



+ N-Ac-muramic acid



+ 3 to 5 amino acid residues



# MOA for Major Peptide Antibiotics Involved in Bacterial Cell Wall Biosynthesis

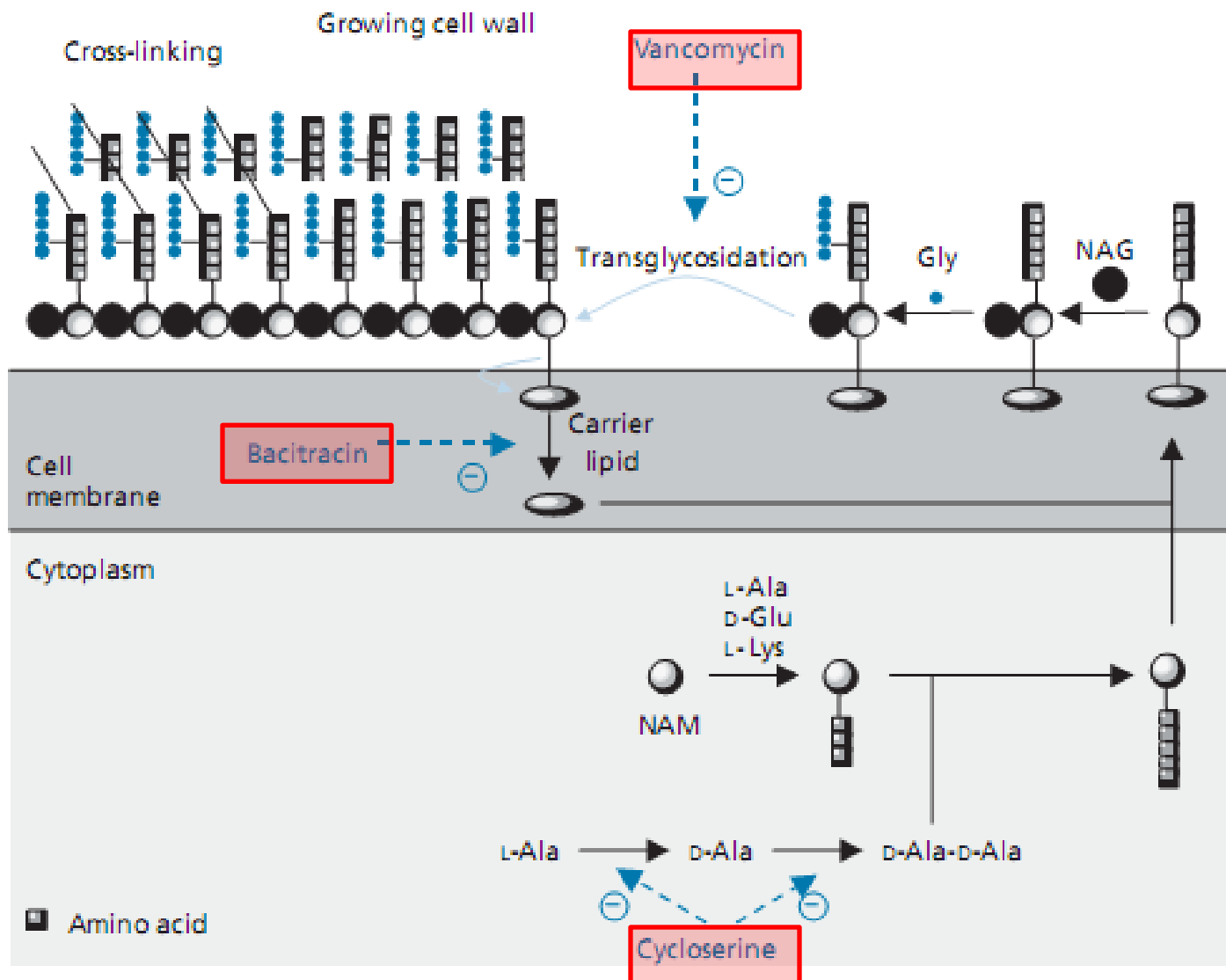
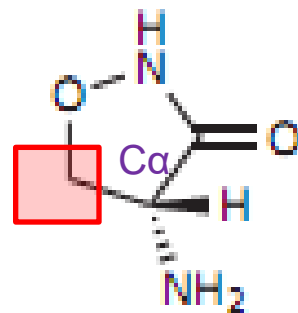
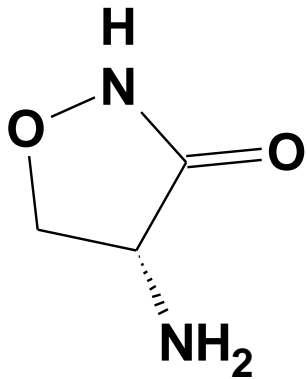


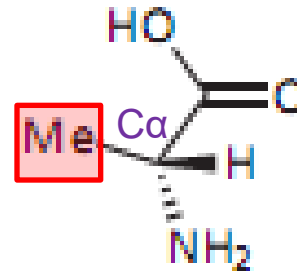
FIGURE 19.52 Cell wall biosynthesis.

# Cyclo-Peptide Antibiotic: Cycloserine

- Chemistry: mimics cyclic analogue of serin
- MOA: inhibit two enzymes:
  - ✓ L-Ala racemase & D-Ala - D-Ala ligase



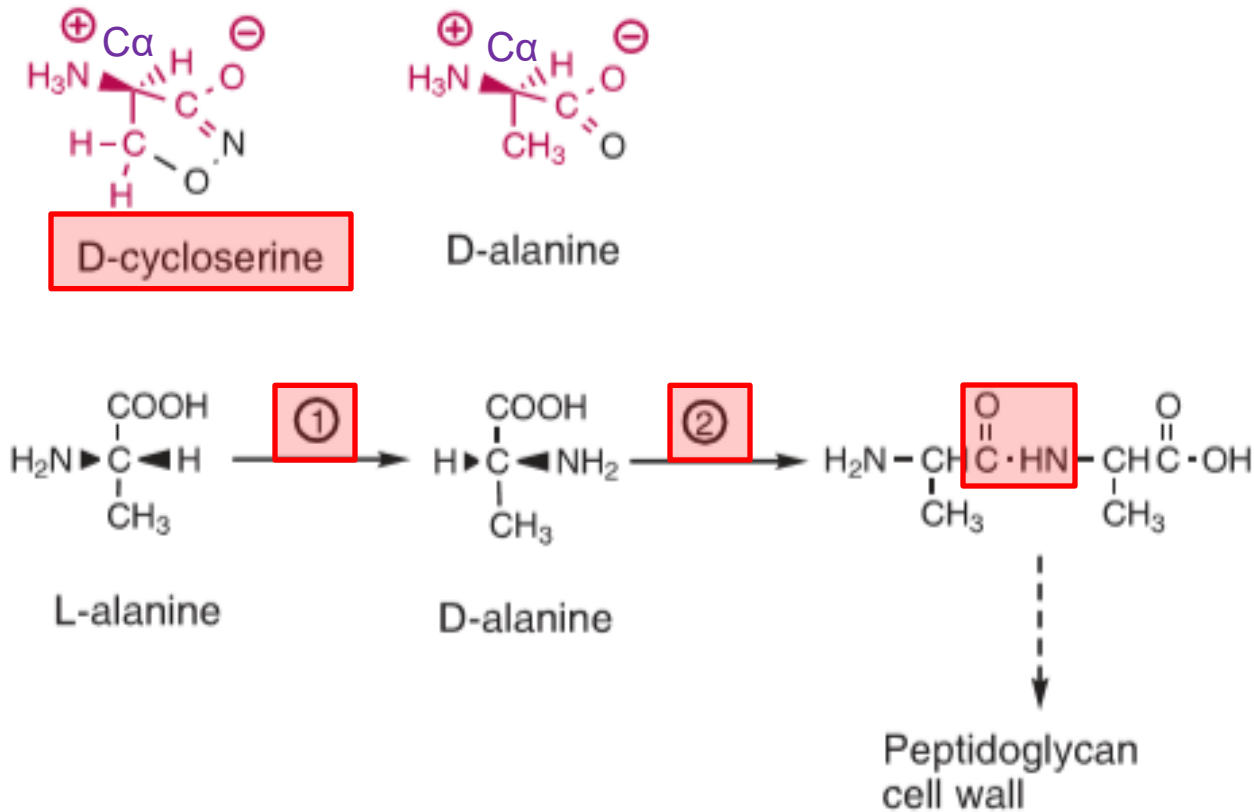
D-Cycloserine



D-Alanine

FIGURE 19.53 D-Cycloserine as a mimic for D-alanine.

# Cycloserine: Sites of Action: Inhibition of L-Ala racemase & D-Ala – D- Ala ligase

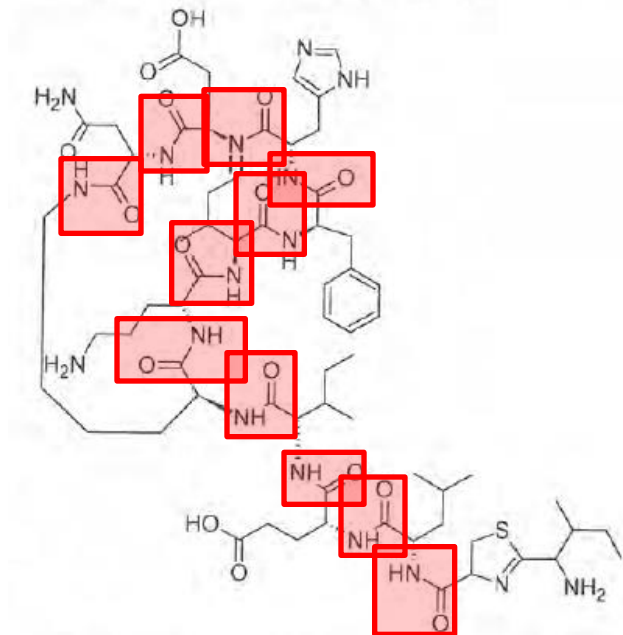


**Figure 29.51** Sites of action of D-cycloserine: 1, D-alanine race-  
mase and 2, D-alanine ligase.



# Cyclo-Peptide Antibiotic: Bacitracin

- Source: fermentation of *Bacillus subtilis*
- Chemistry: cyclo-peptide
- ✓ **no** GI absorption
  
- MOA: inhibition of **peptidoglycan biosynthesis**
- ✓ & disruption of plasma membrane function:
- ✓ interferes with the dephosphorylation of C5-isoprenyl pyrophosphate, a molecule which carries the building blocks of the peptidoglycan
- ✓ against G<sup>+</sup>
- ✓ as preventive antibiotic in **minor cuts & burns**
- Dosage forms: topical & injection
- SE<sub>s</sub>:
- ✓ nephrotoxic
- ✓ neurotoxic
- ✓ blurred vision
- What is pharmacodynamic interaction with EDTA?





# Cyclo-Peptide Antibiotic: Vancomycin: SAR

- Source: fermentation of *streptomyces orientalis Amycolatopsis* (Nocardia)
- Chemistry: cyclo- & glyco-peptide: glycon motif & aglycon motif

✓ glycon: glucose & vancosamine

✓ aglycon: heptapeptide:

5-amino acids in one cyclic portion

+ 1-amino acid as side chain

+ 1-amino acid as cross linked cyclized side chain

+ aryl ether & resorcinol ether

✓ consists of:

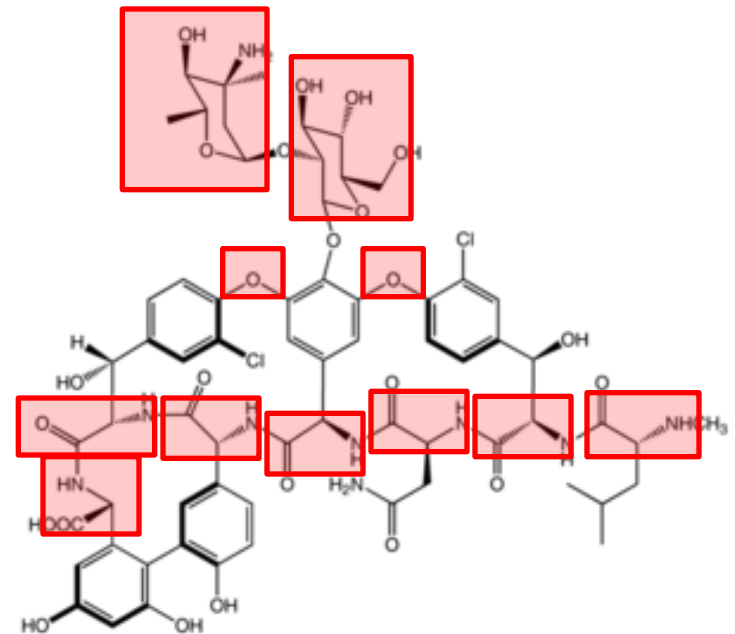
un-usual amino acid

cross linked amino acid

- As HCl salt

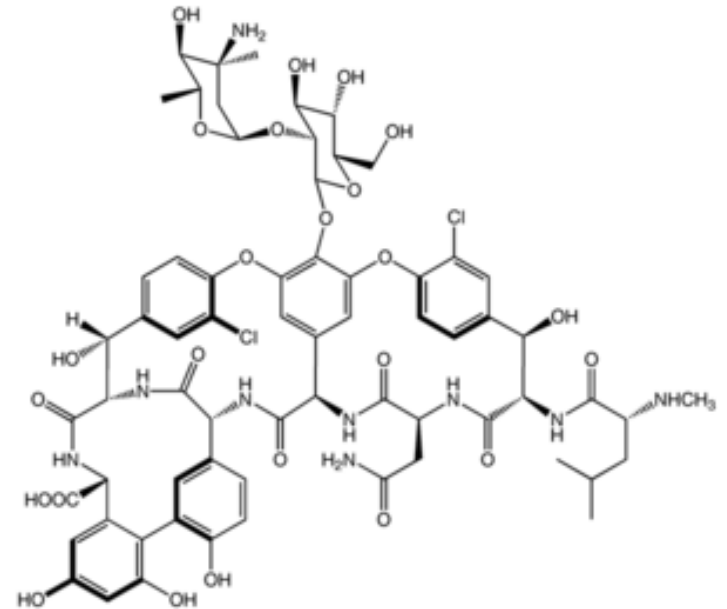
• MOA:

✓ in **dimer form** inhibits cross links in D-Ala blocks of peptidoglycan layers



# Cyclo-Peptide Antibiotic: **Vancomycin**: MOA

- In **dimer form** inhibits cross links in **D-Ala** blocks of peptidoglycan layers
- Clinical indication: treatment & prophylaxis
- Against MRSA: particularly coagulase negative Staphylococcus
- ✓ restricted against G<sup>+</sup>
- ✓ **not** against G<sup>-</sup> except *Neisseria*
- SE<sub>s</sub>:
  - ✓ nephrotoxicity
  - ✓ ototoxicity



# Mechanism of Action for Vancomycin

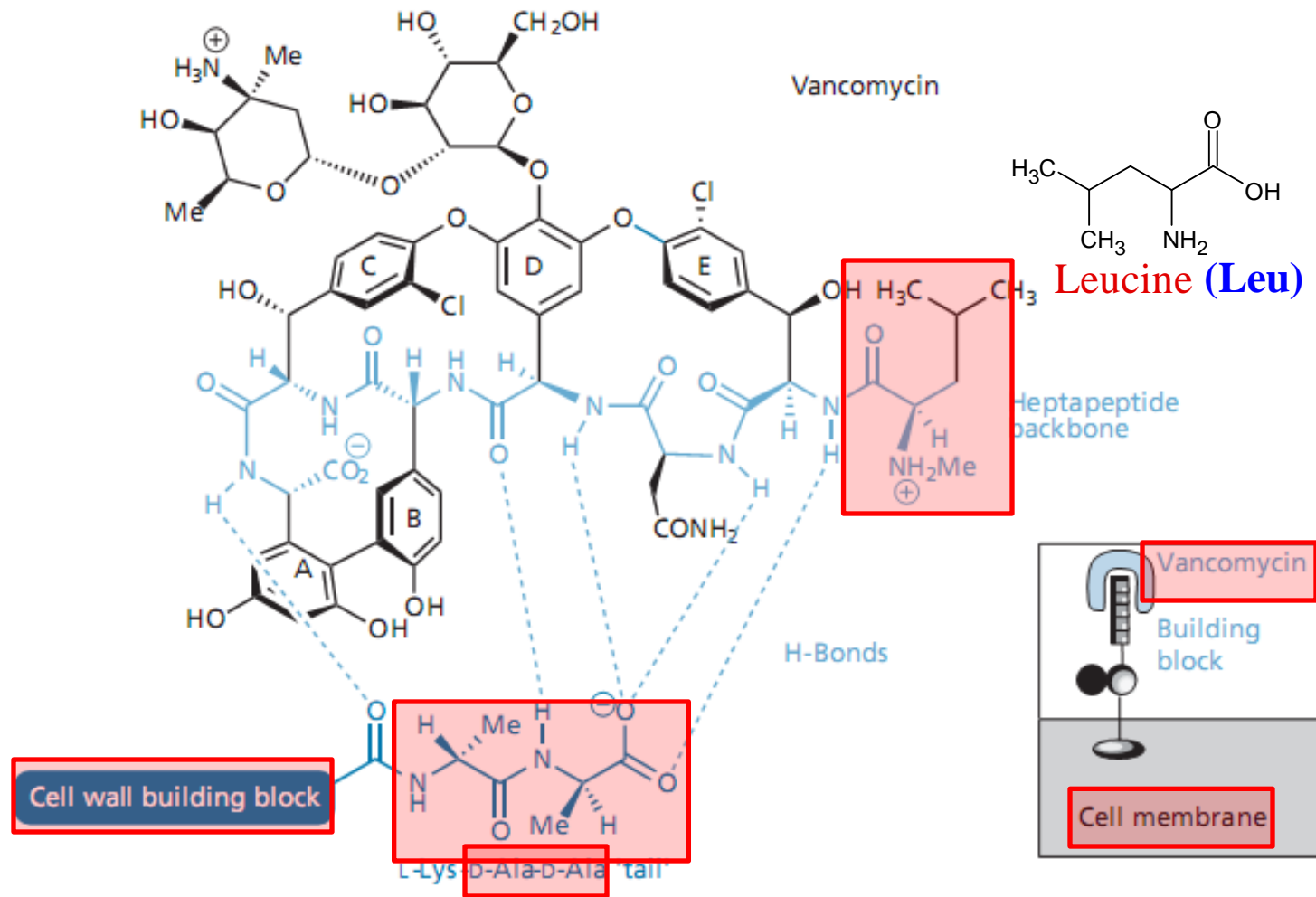
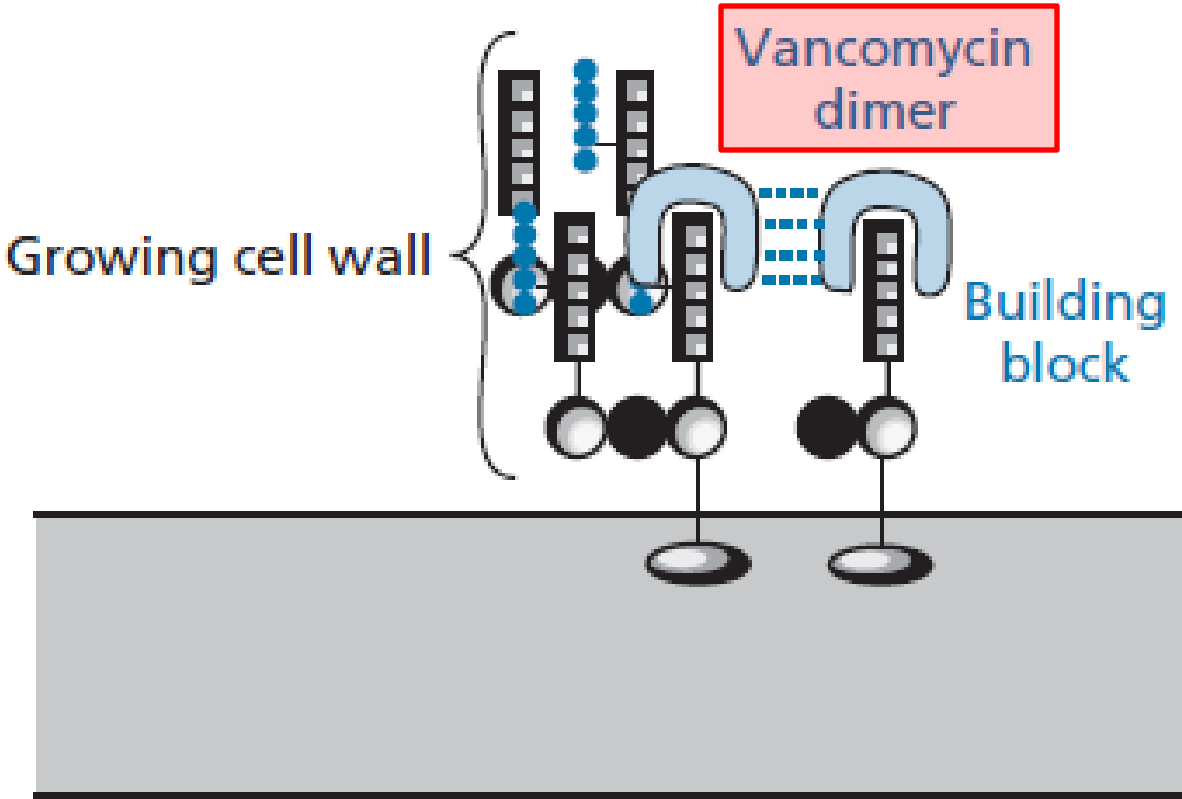
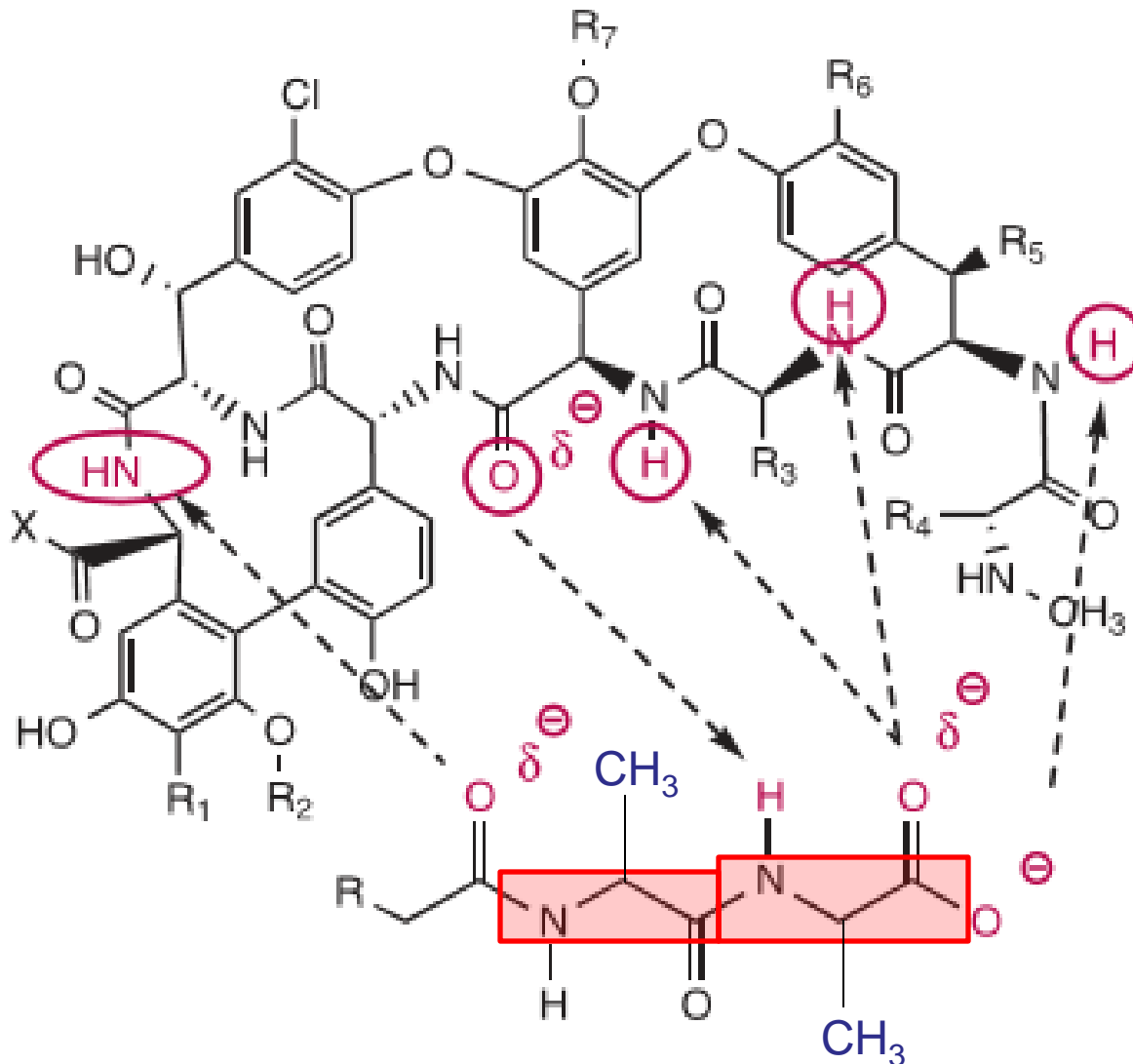


FIGURE 19.54 Vancomycin and its binding interactions to the L-Lys-D-Ala-D-Ala moiety.

# Schematic View for Mechanism of Action for Vancomycin as Dimer Structure



**FIGURE 19.56** 'Capping' of pentapeptide 'tails' by vancomycin.



**Figure 29.35** Binding of glycopeptide antibiotics to bacterial cell wall **D-alanine-D-alanine** moiety.

# Cyclo-Peptide Antibiotic: Teicoplanin

- Find major difference to Vancomycin?
- Penta/hexa-peptide

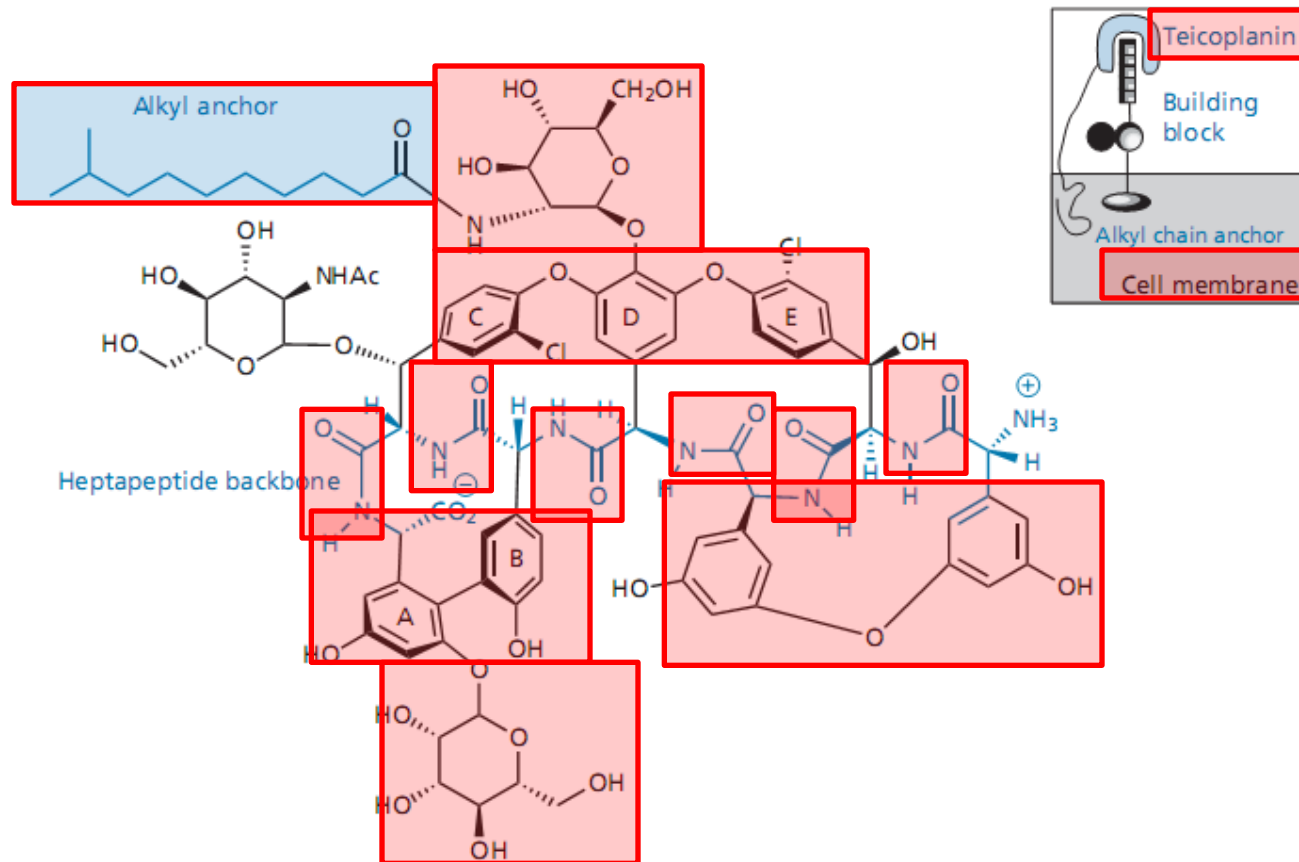
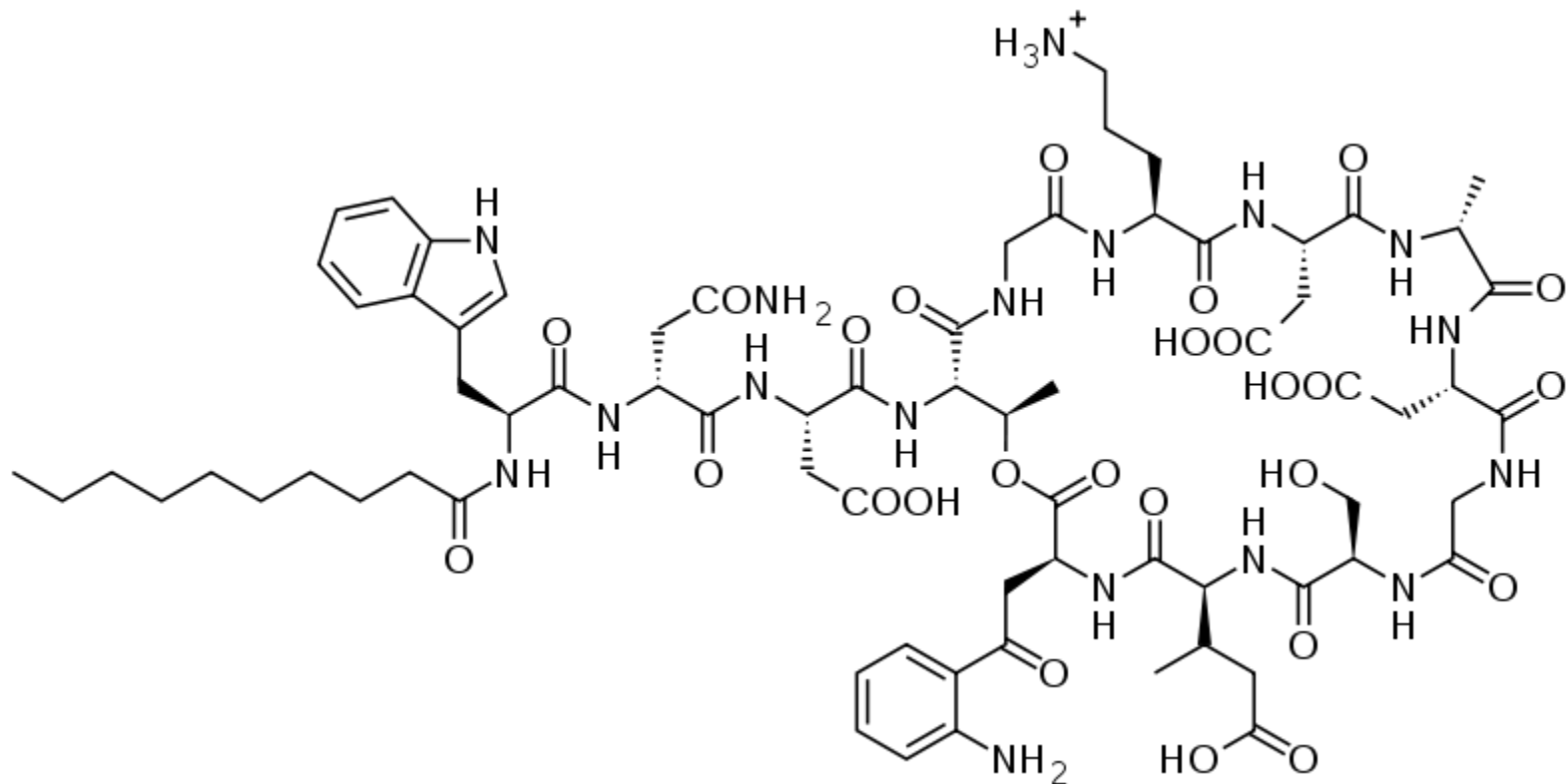


FIGURE 19.59 Teicoplanin A<sub>2</sub>-5.



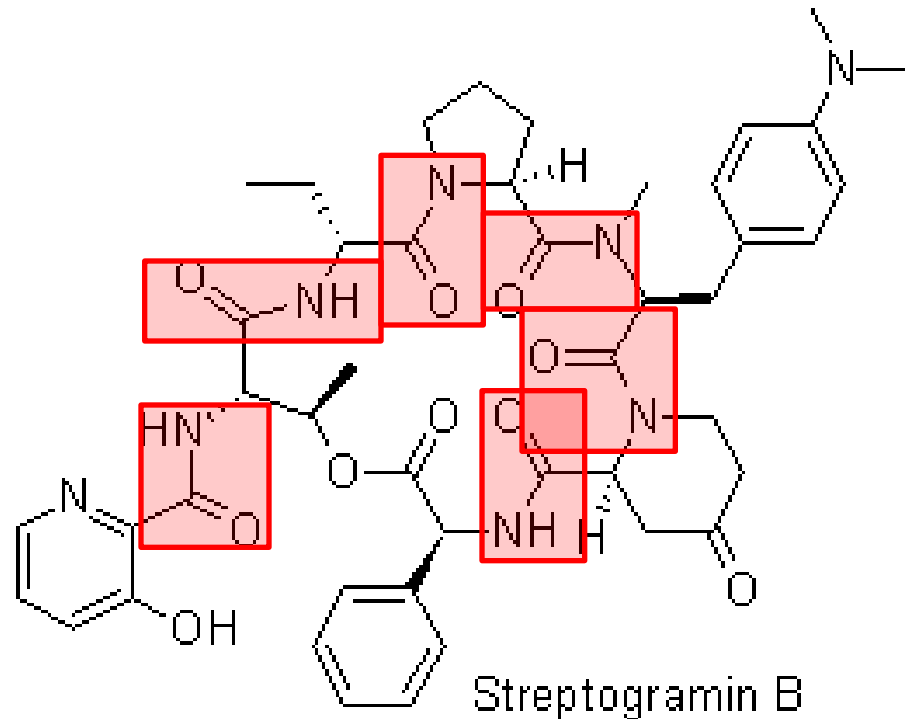
# Lipo-Peptide Antibiotic: Daptomycin

- MOA: disrupts cell membrane by creating holes



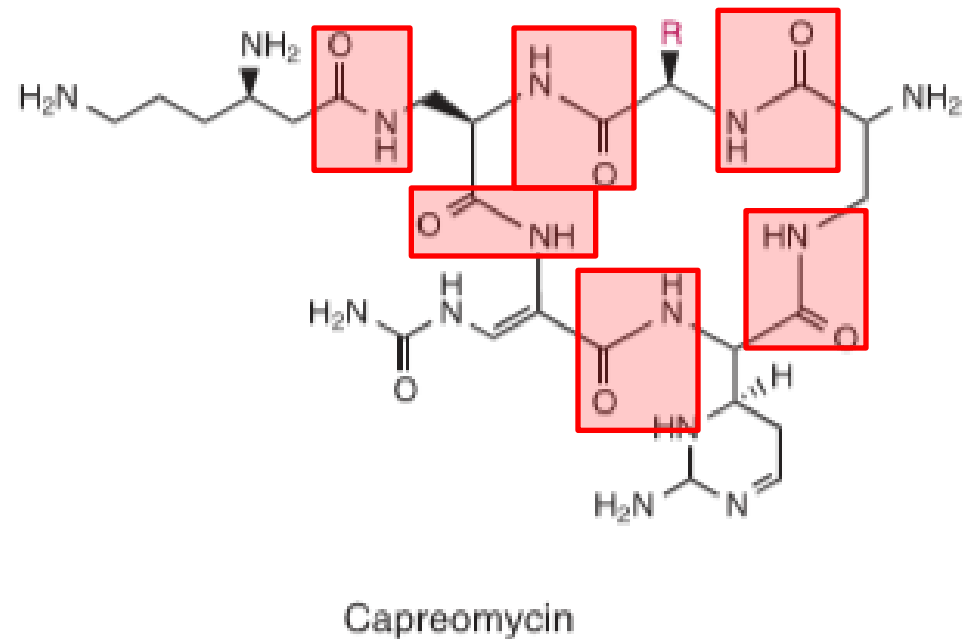
# Cyclo-Peptide Antibiotic: Streptogramins

- Clinical indication: VRSA



# Cyclic Peptide Antibiotic: Capreomycin

- MOA: binds to 30S & 50S



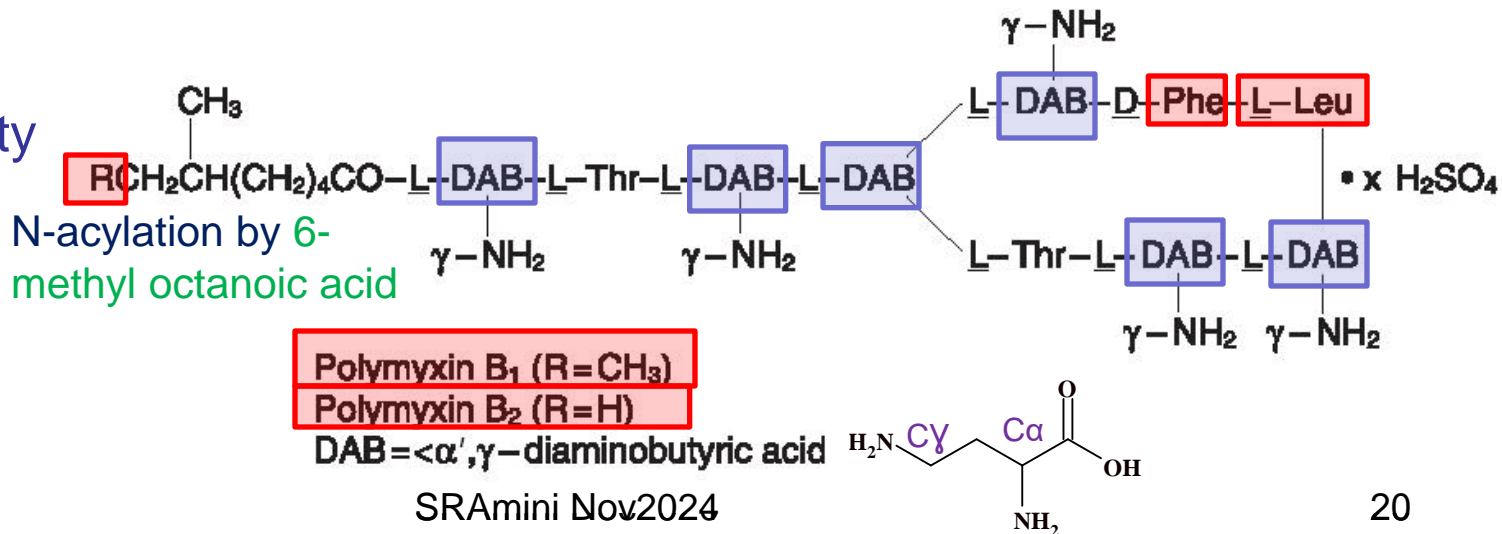
# Polypeptide Cyclic Peptide Antibiotic: Polymyxin B

- Fermentation of *Bacillus Polymyxa*
- Chemistry: cyclo-peptide: natural & un-natural amino acids
- MAO: binds to phosphate group in bacterial cytoplasmic membrane
- Against G<sup>-</sup>: *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* (ophthalmic)
- Dosage forms:

- ✓ topical
- ✓ oral for GI infection

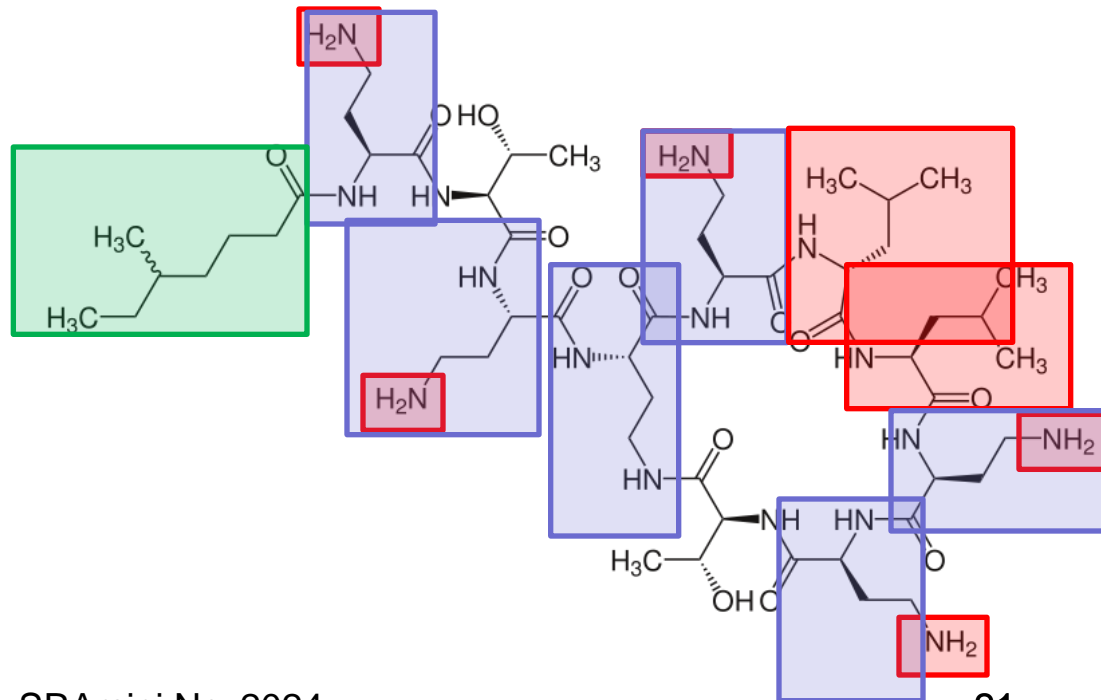
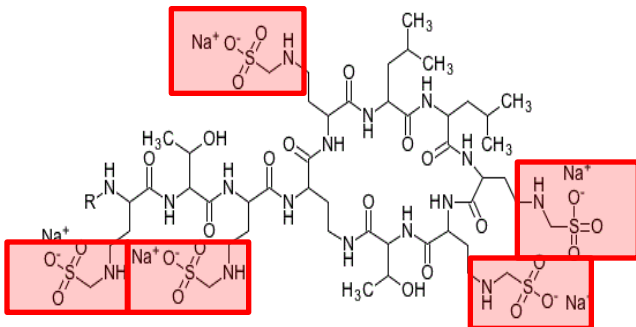
• SE<sub>s</sub>:

- ✓ Nephrotoxicity
- ✓ neurotoxicity



# Cyclo-Peptide Antibiotic: Polymyxin E: Colistin

- Close structure to Polymyxin: can be called Polymyxin E
- Mixture of Colistin A & B
- The difference in **Leu** residue instead of **Phe**
- Consider N-acylation by **5-methyl heptanoic acid**: lipopeptide
- Two derivatives applied in pharmaceutical formulations:
  - ✓ Colistin **sulfate**
  - ✓ Colistimethate **sodium**



# Colistin Derivatives Applied in Pharmaceutical Formulations

## Colistin sulfate

## Colistimethate sodium

