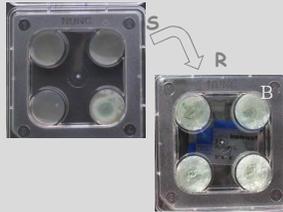


## Antifungal resistance in moulds



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## Antifungals spectrum: Moulds

	<i>Aspergillus</i>			<i>Aspergillus</i> Cidal?	<i>Fusarium</i>	Zygo- mycetes
	<i>fumigatus</i>	<i>terreus</i>	<i>flavus</i>			
Amph. B	+	-	+/-	+	(+)	(+)
Anidulafungin	+	+	+	-	-	-
Caspofungin	+	+	+	-	-	-
Micafungin	+	+	+	-	-	-
Fluconazole	-	-	-	-	-	-
Itraconazole	+	+	+	-	-	-
Posaconazole	+	+	+	?	+/-	+/-
Voriconazole	+	+	+	+	+/-	-
5-FC	-	-	-	-	-	-
Terbinafine					+/-	

## *Aspergillus* section *Fumigati*

- 10 anamorphs
  - *A. brevipes*
  - *A. duricaulis*
  - *A. fumigatiaffinis* \*
  - *A. fumigatus*
  - *A. fummisynnematus*
  - *A. lentulus* \*
  - *A. novofumigatus*
  - *A. turcosus*
  - *A. unilateralis*
  - *A. viridinutans* \*
- 23 telemorphs (*Neosartorya*)
  - *N. assulata*
  - *N. aurata*
  - *N. aureola*
  - *N. australensis*
  - *N. coreana*
  - *N. denticulata*
  - *N. ferenczii*
  - *N. fennelliae*
  - *N. fischeri*
  - *N. galapagensis*
  - *N. glabra*
  - *N. hiratsukae*
  - *N. laciniosa*
  - *N. multiplicata*
  - *N. papuensis*
  - *N. pseudofischeri* \*
  - *N. quadricincta*
  - *N. spinosa*
  - *N. stramenia*
  - *N. spathulata*
  - *N. tatenoi*
  - *N. udagawa* \*
  - *N. warcupii*

Isolates in red have been isolated from humans, \* resistant to one or more AFs  
Samson in "Aspergillus fumigatus and Aspergillosis" 2008

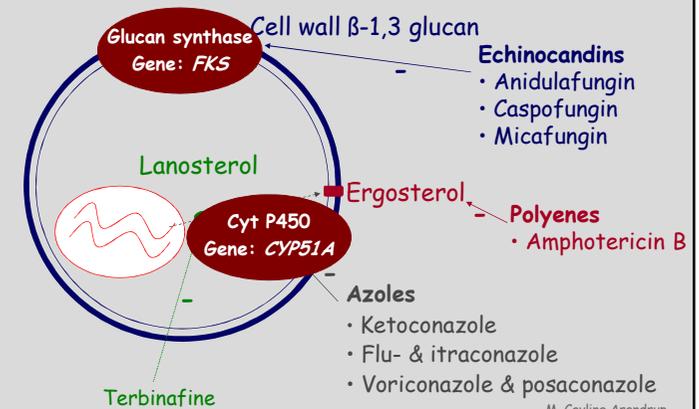
## Intrinsic and Primary resistance

Intrinsic: (✓) Primary: (✓)

	AMB	Azoles	Echinocandins
<i>Aspergillus section fumigati</i>			
<i>A. fumigati</i> affinis	✓	✓	
<i>A. lentulus</i>	✓	✓	(✓)
<i>N. pseudofischeri</i>		✓	
<i>A. viridinutans</i>		✓	
<i>N. udagawae</i>	✓		
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<i>A. terreus</i>	✓		
<i>A. ustus</i> ( <i>A. calidoustus</i> )	✓	✓	✓
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<i>A. flavus</i>	(✓)		(✓)
<i>A. allilaceus</i>	(✓)		(✓)

Alcazar-Fuoli AAC 2008; Perlin & Mellado in "Aspergillus fumigatus and Aspergillosis" 2008; Verweij Eukaryotic Cell 2008; M. Cavling Arendrup

## Systemic Antifungals: Mode of Action



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## Acquired Resistance in *Aspergillus*

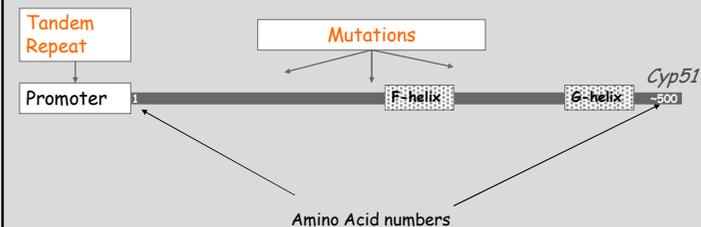
Compound	Azoles	Echinocandins	Amphotericin B
Target	P450 demethylase	Glucan synthase	Ergosterol
Target gene mutation	<i>CYP51A</i>	<i>FSK1</i> *	
Target up-regulation	<i>CYP51A+</i> Promotor	✓	
Efflux pumps	ABC & MF		

\* only laboratory engineered strains

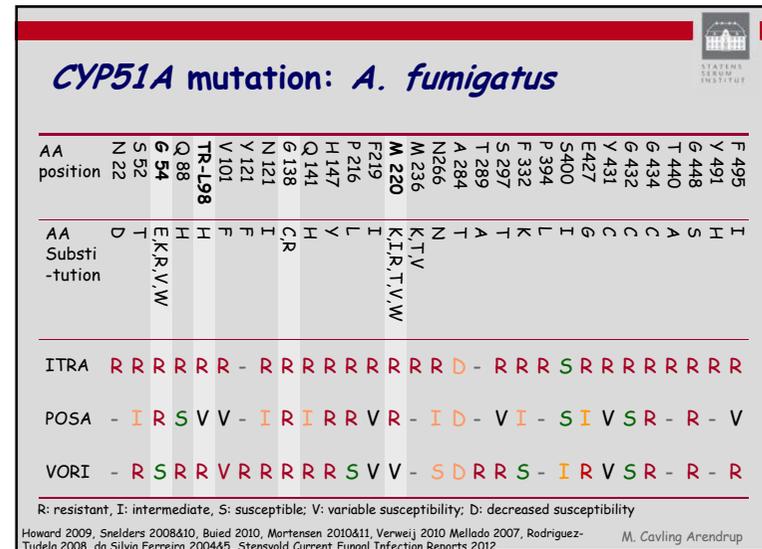
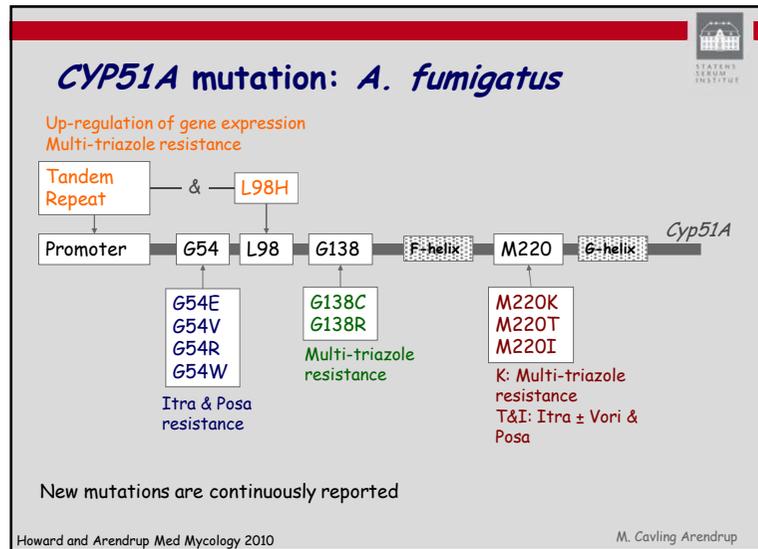
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## Azole resistance: Target gene

Three *Cyp51* genes: *CYP51A*, *CYP51B* and *CYP51C*



Howard Emerg Inf Dis 2009, Mortensen JCM 2011, Buied JAC 2010 Arendrup PLoS ONE 2010; M. Cavling Arendrup



### *A. terreus*: Azole R w CYP51A M217I

Sample-ID	MIC (mg/L)			CYP51A	Primer					Genotype
	Itraconazole ECOFF: 0.5	Posaconazole ECOFF: 0.25	Voriconazole ECOFF: 2		A.terr-2	NS7	P4	R108	CII	
MB-03-1	0.5	0.5	4	wt	t1	n1	p1	r1	c1	A
MB-04-1	0.5	0.5	4	wt	t1	n1	p1	r1	c1	A
MB-07-1	0.5	0.5	4	wt	t1	n1	p1	r1	c1	A
MB-07-2	2	0.5	4	M217I	t1	n1	p1	r1	c1	A
MB-07-3	2	0.25	4	M217I	t1	n1	p1	r1	c1	A
MB-07-4	0.5	0.25	4	wt	t1	n1	p1	r1	c1	A
MB-07-5	2	0.5	4	M217I	t1	n1	p1	r1	c1	A
MB-07-6	2	0.5	4	M217I	t1	n1	p1	r1	c1	A
MB-07-7	2	0.5	2	M217I	t1	n1	p1	r1	c1	A
MB-09-1	2	0.25	4	M217I	t1	n1	p1	r1	c1	A
MB-09-2	0.25	0.06	0.5	wt	t2	n2	p1	r1	c1	F
MB-09-3	1	0.125	1	M217I	t1	n1	p1	r1	c1	A
MB-09-4	1	0.25	1	M217I	t1	n1	p1	r1	c1	A
MB-09-5	1	0.5	2	M217I	t9	n1	p1	r1	c1	B
MB-09-6	2	0.5	1	M217I	t1	n1	p1	r1	c1	A
MB-09-7	2	0.25	2	M217I	t1	n1	p1	r1	c1	A
MB-09-8	1	0.25	2	M217I	t1	n1	p1	r1	c1	A
MB-09-9	1	0.5	4	M217I	t1	n1	p1	r1	c1	A
MB-11-1	2	0.5	2	M217I	t1	n1	p1	r1	c1	A
MB-11-2	2	0.5	2	M217I	t1	n1	p1	r1	c1	A
UKNEQUAS-97	0.125	0.06	0.5	wt	t3	n3	p3	r3	c1	C
UKNEQUAS-99	0.125	0.06	0.5	wt	t3	n3	p3	r3	c1	C
OUH-04	0.06	<0.03	0.25	Not done	t8	n4	p2	r2	c2	D
Estbjerg-05	0.125	0.06	0.5	wt	t6	n1	p5	r4	c1	H
Skejby-05	0.06	0.06	0.25	wt	t7	n1	p7	r1	c1	G
RH-08	0.125	0.06	0.5	A221V	t5	n5	p6	r5	c1	E

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### Azole R *A. terreus*: CYP51A M217I

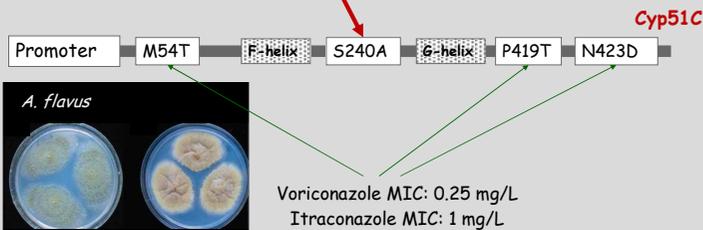
	EUCAST Azole MICs			Ampho. B MICs
	Itraconazole (ECOFF: 0.5)	Posaconazole (ECOFF: 0.25)	Voriconazole (ECOFF: 2)	EUCAST (48h)
Controls (6)	0.06-0.125 (0.125)	<0.03-0.06 (0.06)	0.25-0.5 (0.5)	2-4 (2)
MB wt-F (1)	0.25	0.06	0.5	4
MB wt-A (4)	0.5 (0.5)	0.25-0.5 (0.5)	4 (4)	0.5-4 (2)
MB M217I-A (14)	1-2 (2)	0.125-0.5 (0.5)	1-4 (2)	2-4 (2)

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## A. flavus: Azole R w Cyp51C S240A

### ■ AML pt with IPA failing 2 months(+) voriconazole

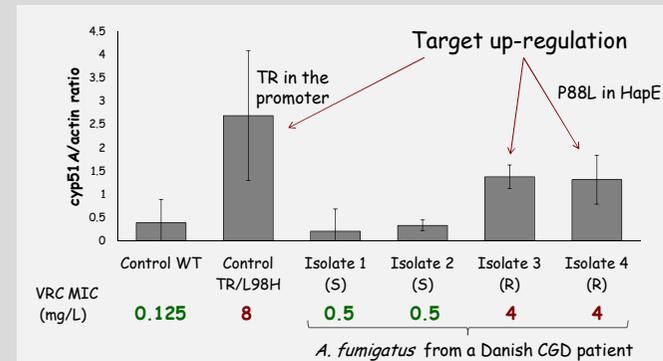
- Voriconazole MIC: 8 mg/L (EUCAST BP: S: ≤ 1 mg/L)
- Itraconazole MIC: 2 mg/L (EUCAST BP: S: ≤ 1 mg/L)



Liu AAC 2012

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## Resistance 2: target gene up-regulation



Arendrup PLoS ONE 2010, Camps in preparation.

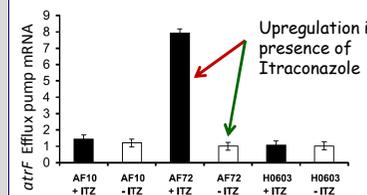
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## Resistance 3: Efflux pumps

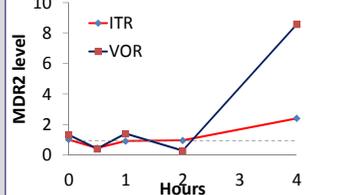
### ■ Two families

- ATP-Binding Cassette transporters (ABC)
- Major Facilitator (MF) transporters

ABC: *atrF* ↑ in ITR resistant *A. fumigatus*



MDR2 ↑ in VOR MIC 4 mg/L *A. terreus*



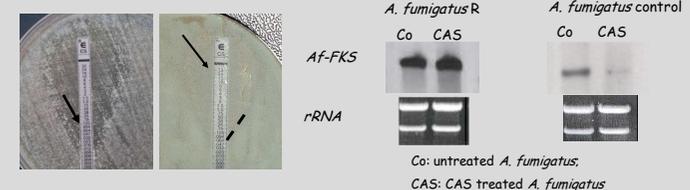
Slaven Fungal Genetics and Biology 2002, Arendrup-Perlin unpublished data. M. Cavling Arendrup

## Aspergillus Echinocandin resistance

### ■ Mutations in *FKS1* gene coding glucan synthase

- S678Y laboratory generated mutant
- S678P laboratory generated mutant

### ■ Over-expression of the gene



Gardiner Med Mycol 2005; Rocha AAC 2007; Arendrup AAC 2008

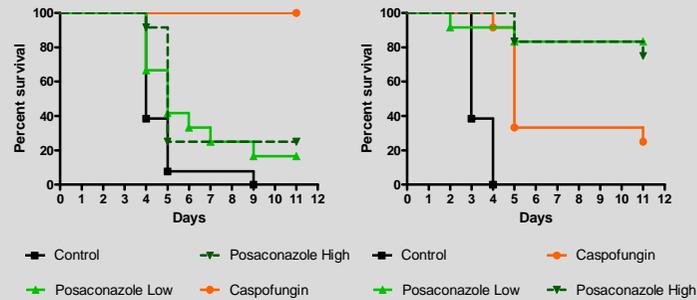
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## Aspergillus resistance - in vivo efficacy

Mice inoculated with *A. fumigatus* and subsequently treated for 10 days

Pan-Azole R isolate (Pos > 4; M220K)

Caspofungin R isolate (up-regulation)



Arendrup AAC 2008

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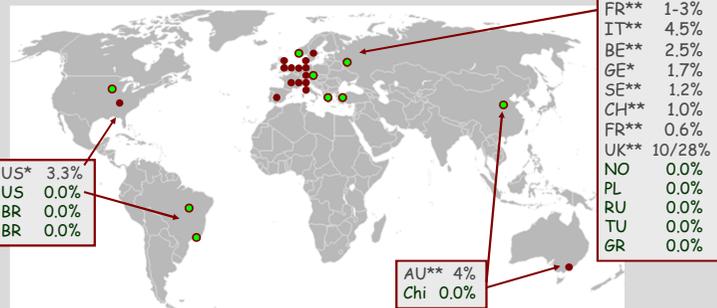
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## Aspergillus SCARE study prelim. data

- Azole resistant *A. fumigatus* 2009-10



Study coordinators: Verweij, van der Linden & Arendrup

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## Azole Resistant CNS aspergillosis

Patient	Specimen Type	Cyp51A alterations			MIC, mg/L				
		TR	Codon 98	Other	AmB	ITZ	VCZ	POS	CAS
1. 42-y HIV	Brain biopsy	+	L98H	-	0.25	>16	8	0.5	0.25
2. 64-y Cancer	Brain biopsy	+	L98H	-	1	>16	16	0.5	0.5
3. 11-y ALL	Lung biopsy	+	L98H	-	0.5	>16	16	2	0.5
Control	Sputum	-	-	-	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.125	0.25
Control	Sputum	-	-	-	0.5	0.125	0.5	0.063	0.25
Control	Sputum	-	-	-	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.063	0.5

- ✓ Pt 1: Voriconazole → ambisome
- ✓ Pt 2: Voriconazole → voriconazole + caspofungin
- ✓ Pt 3: Voriconazole → voriconazole + caspofungin → ambisome + caspofungin
- ✓ All died

All three azole naïve

van der Linden CID 2009

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## Multi-azole resistant *A. fumigatus*

Site (no.) Sample ID.	EUCAST MIC ( $\mu\text{g/ml}$ )			<i>Cyp51A</i>
	ITC	VRC	POS	
Rigshospitalet (27) RH-13	>8	4	0.5-1	TR <sub>34</sub> /L98H
Tivoli Gardens (23) T-11	<b>4/50 soil samples in Cph ~ 8%</b>			TR <sub>34</sub> /L98H
T-18				TR <sub>34</sub> /L98H
T-22				TR <sub>34</sub> /L98H
Control isolate CM-237	0.25	0.5	0.06	Wild type

Mortensen, AAC, 2010

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## Fungicide use & TR<sub>34</sub>/L98H reports

Global market share of fungicide use in agriculture ● TR<sub>34</sub>/L98H



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## Azole resistant *A. fumigatus* in azole naïve patients in Europe



● TR<sub>34</sub>/L98H detected

"New" azole resistance mechanisms detected in azole naïve patients or in the environment

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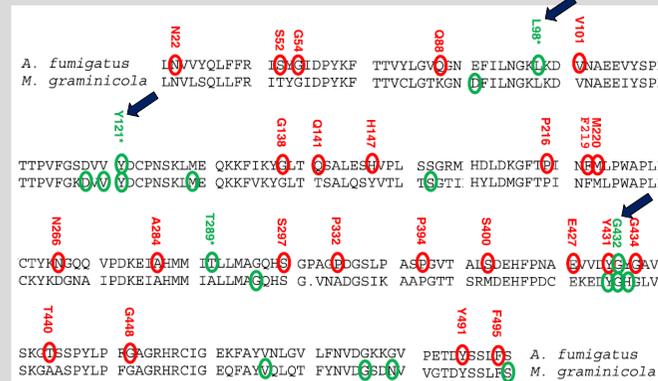
● TR<sub>46</sub>/Y121F/T289A

● France:  
● G432S

Scare Study, Denning CID 2011, Snelders PLoS Med 2008, Mortensen AAC 2010, Verweij ICAAC 2010, Mellado AAC 2007

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## CYP51 codons involved in azole R



● azole resistance in azole naïve patients  
● azole resistance in azole naïve patients or in *M. graminicola* \* associated with a tandem repeat in the promoter region of *A. fumigatus*.

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## Azole resistant Asp: In vs. Ex vivo Origin

Date	ITC	AMB	cyp51A alteration	2A	2B	2C	3A	3B	3C	4A	4B	4C
<b>Patient 4</b>												
17.07.2007	1	0.5	Not found	18	23	16	35	13	18	15	9	10
05.12.2007	0.5	0.5	Not found	18	23	16	35	13	18	15	9	10
09.07.2009	>4	0.5	M220I + V101F	18	23	16	35	13	18	15	9	10
16.07.2009	>4	0.25	M220I + V101F	18	23	16	35	13	18	15	12	10
21.07.2009	>4	0.5	M220I + V101F	18	23	16	35	13	18	15	12 & 9	10
10.08.2009	>4	0.25	M220I + V101F	18	23	16	35	13	18	15	9	10
07.09.2009	>4	1	M220I + V101F	18	23	16	35	13	18	15	12	10
23.10.2009	>4	0.5	M220I + V101F	18	23	16	35	13	18	15	12	10
24.11.2009	>4	1	M220I + V101F	18	23	16	35	13	18	15	9	10
26.11.2009	0.5	1	Not found	18	23	16	35	13	18	15	9	10
14.12.2009	>4	0.5	M220I + V101F	18	23	16	35	13	18	15	9	10
<b>Patient 5</b>												
01.08.2007	>4	0.5	TR+L98H+S297T+F495I	14	20	8	40	9	11	8	10	20
16.11.2007	>4	0.5	TR+L98H+S297T+F495I	14	20	8	40	9	11	8	10	20
20.11.2007	>4	0.5	TR+L98H+S297T+F495I	14	20	8	40	9	11	8	10	20
06.12.2007	>4	0.5	TR+L98H+S297T+F495I	14	20	8	40	9	11	8	10	20
12.05.2009	>4	0.5	TR+L98H+S297T+F495I	14	20	8	40	9	11	8	10	20
28.07.2009	0.25	0.5	Not found	23	24	15	34	12	19	13	9	5
31.08.2009	>4	1	TR+L98H+S297T+F495I	14	20	8	40	9	11	8	10	20
13.11.2009	0.25	0.5	Not found	13	20	9	34	9	10	10	10	19
24.11.2009	>4	0.5	TR+L98H	23	10	9	10	10	6	8	10	20

Mortensen JCM 2011

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## 4.5% *Aspergillus* Azole resistance in DK

### *A. fumigatus*

CYP51A alterations

TR34/L98H

V101

M220

S297

Y491

F495

Up-regulation

P88L in HapE

No mechanism found yet



### *A. terreus*

CYP51A alterations

M217

Up-regulation

MRD2

Tip of the iceberg?

Mortensen JCM 2011, EJCMI 2011, Arendrup PlosOne. 2010 and JID 2012; Camps in prep

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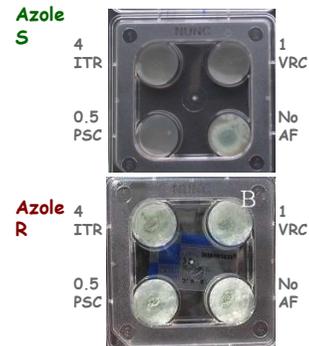
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EUCAST EDEF 9.1 for the ref lab

	Amf	Casp	Vor	Itra	Flu	Contr
	8-0.06		4-0.03		16-0.125	
A						
B						
C						
D						
E						
F						
G						
H						

MIC/MEC: 0.5 <0.06 0.5 0.5 >16

Azole screening agar for the routine lab



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