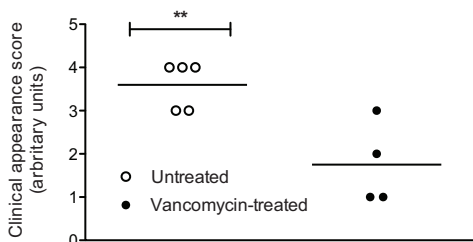
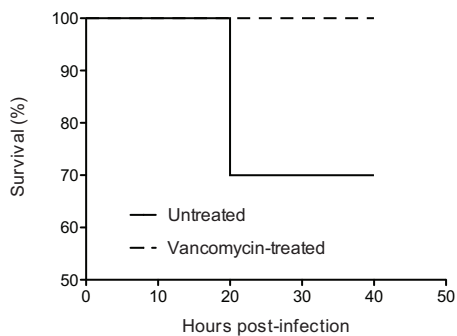


## Staphylococcus aureus:

Staphylococcus aureus is a gram-positive bacteria responsible for diseases from superficial skin lesions through to severe urinary tract infections, pneumonia and meningitis. Common portals of entry of *S. aureus* are breaks in the skin such as surgical wounds or by passage through the respiratory tract. Frequently this pathogen is controlled at the site of infection by innate host defense; however, severe complications including dissemination of *S. aureus* into the blood stream can cause sepsis and death. Transmission of the bacteria commonly occurs through human- to- human contact, often at hospitals and particularly in immunocompromised individuals. Until recently, penicillin or a penicillin-like antibiotic has been the most frequent treatment targeting *S. aureus* infection. A key problem is that many *S. aureus* strains have become resistant against the antibiotic treatments currently on the market. As such, there is an urgent need to find novel treatment regimes and strategies for protection against *S. aureus*.



## Experimental readouts:

- Bacterial load in tissue
- Morbidity and mortality
- Inflammatory cell analysis
- Quantitative PCR analysis of tissue cytokines and chemokines

## Duration:

1-10 days dependent upon experimental readouts

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- Determination of bacterial load in tissue

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- Measurement and analysis of cellular infiltrates
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- Quantitative PCR analysis of tissue cytokines and chemokines