

**Structural basis of *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* penicillin binding protein 3
inhibition by the siderophore antibiotic cefiderocol**

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Supplementary Information

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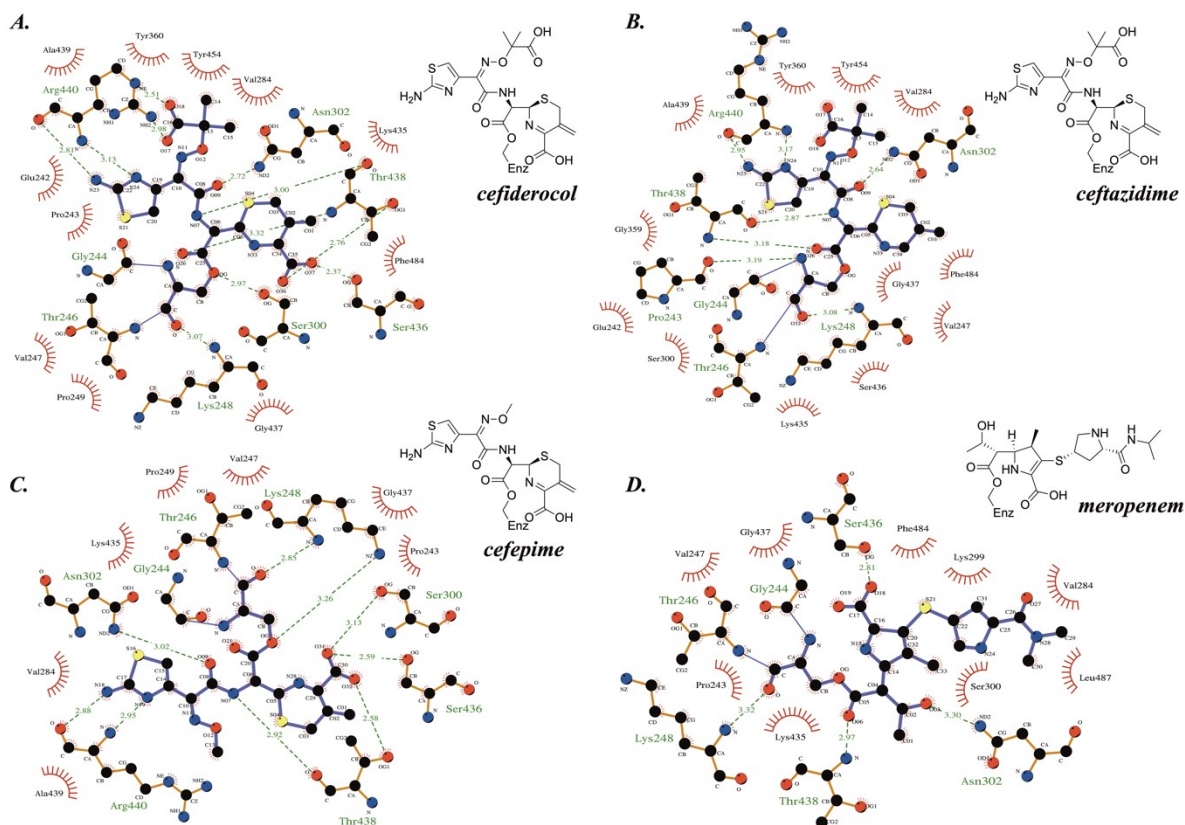


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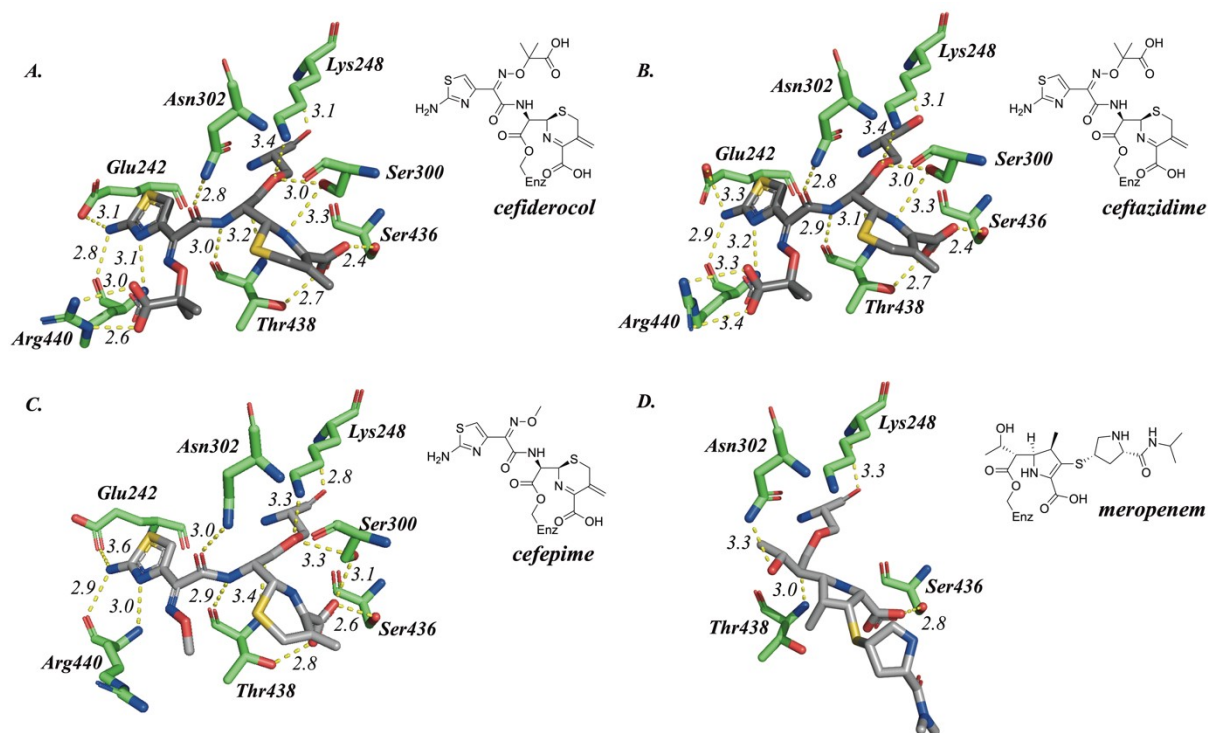


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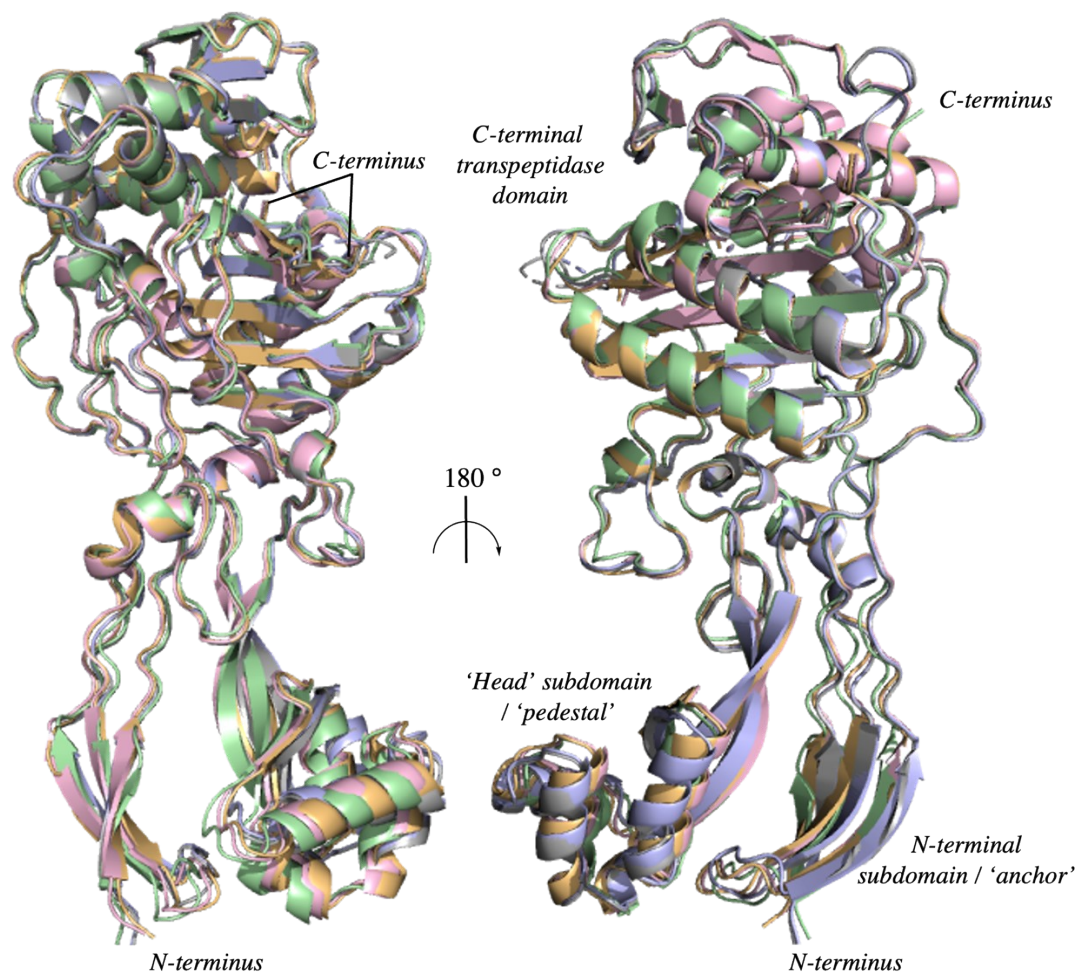


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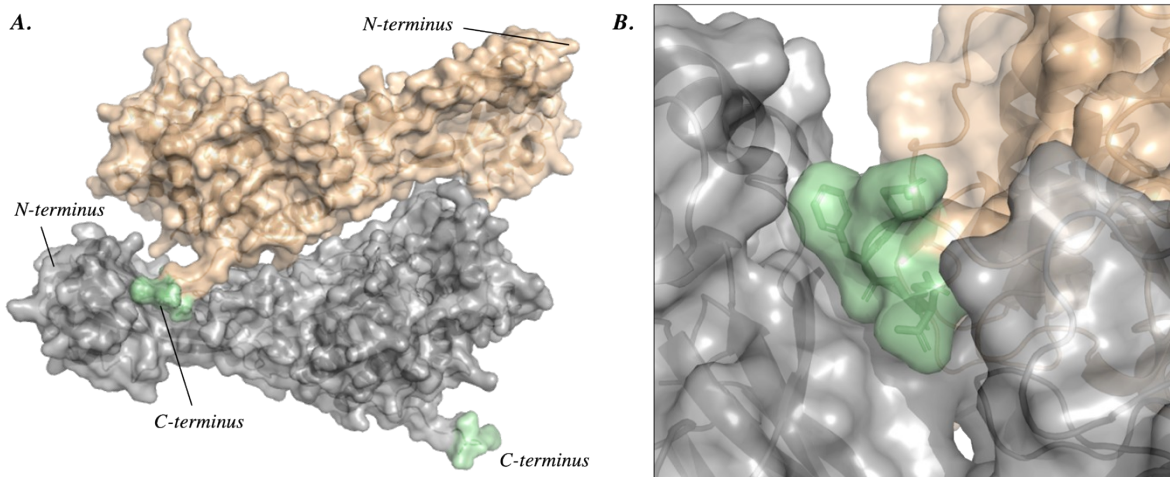


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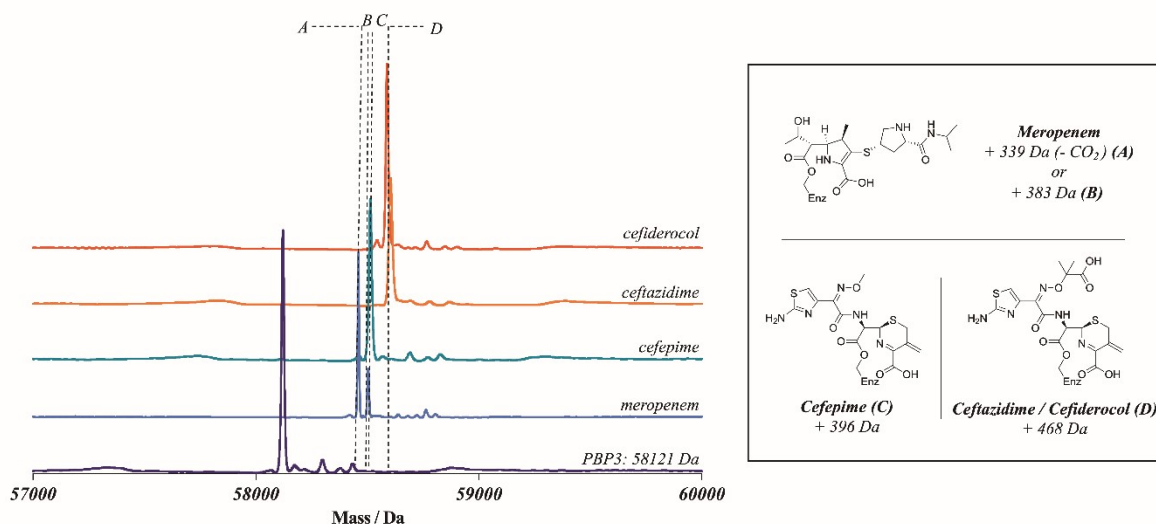
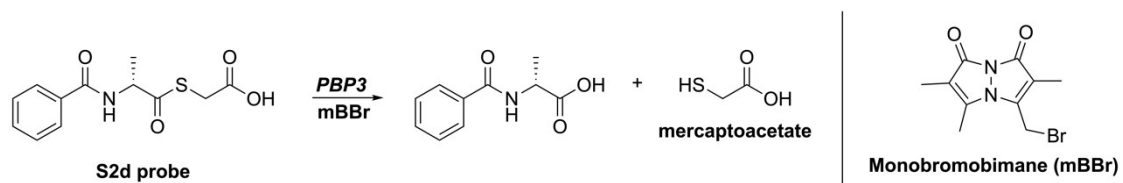
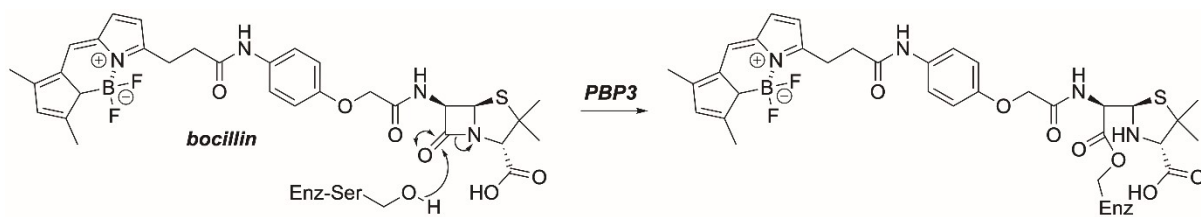


Figure S5: Evidence reaction of *P. aeruginosa* PBP3 with pyrrolidinium cephalosporins occurs with loss of the C3 side chain. Deconvoluted electrospray-ionisation Quadrupole Time-of-Flight (ESI-Q-TOF) mass spectra following reaction of *P. aeruginosa* PBP3 with β -lactams gives rise to new peaks with meropenem (**A** & **B**), cefepime (**C**) and ceftazidime / cefiderocol (**D**). See Methods Section for experimental details. The spectra shown are representative of two technical replicates. Observed mass of unmodified PBP3 (- N-terminal Met): 58,121 Da (calculated 58,121 Da). Note decarboxylation of meropenem during electrospray ionisation has been previously reported.⁴



Scheme S1: The reaction of the S2d substrate analogue with PBP3. The reaction product mercaptoacetate contains a free thiol, which is reacted with monobromobimane (mBBr) producing a fluorescent response, allowing reaction progress to be monitored.⁵



Scheme S2: The reaction of Bocillin-FL, a BODIPY-labelled penicillin derivative, with PBP3. Formation of the covalent acyl-enzyme complex is monitored by measuring change in fluorescence polarisation which manifests on β -lactam reaction.^{5,6}

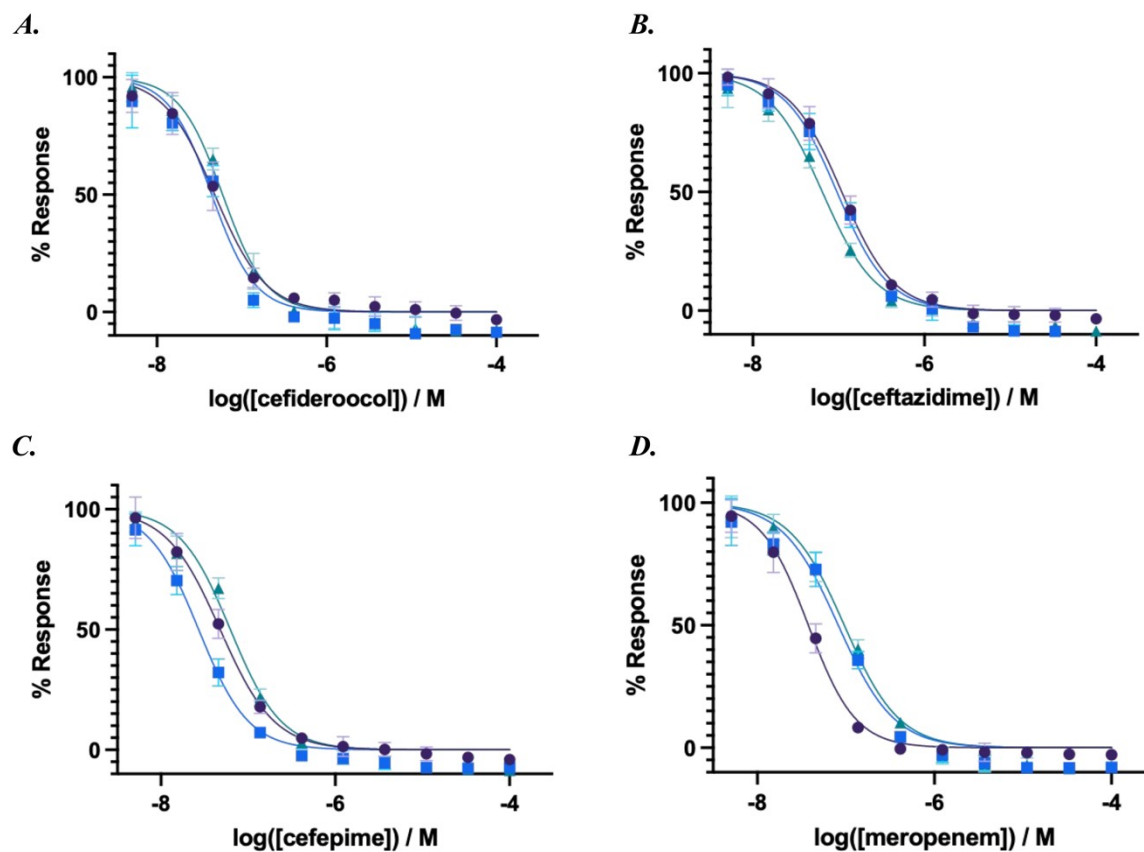


Figure S6: Dose response curves for (A) cefiderocol, (B) ceftazidime, (C) cefepime and (D) meropenem with *P. aeruginosa* PBP3 measured using S2d assays. Inhibition assays were carried out with 300 nM PBP3, 1.5 mM S2d and 0.5 mM mBBr, with 10 minutes pre-incubation with inhibitor compounds in 25 mM HEPES, 100 mM NaCl, pH 7.4. Three independent repeats are shown. Error bars represent standard deviations from three technical replicates measured simultaneously. Average pIC₅₀ values and inhibitor structures are provided in **Table 1**. The S2d probe was synthesised according to a literature procedure.⁷

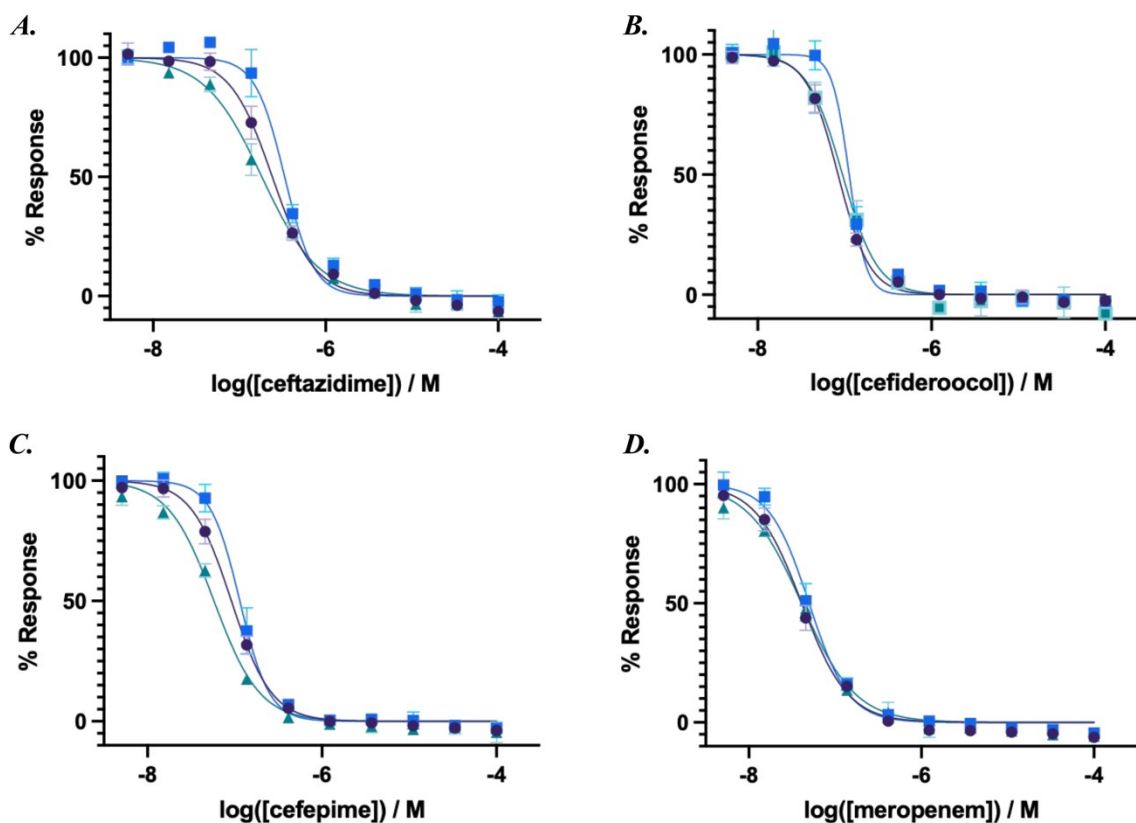


Figure S7: Dose response curves for (A) cefiderocol, (B) ceftazidime, (C) cefepime and (D) meropenem with *P. aeruginosa* PBP3 measured using Bocillin-FL assays. Inhibition assays were carried out with 311 nM PBP3 and 30 nM Bocillin-FL, with 10 minute pre-incubation with inhibitor compounds in 50 mM potassium phosphate, pH 7.4. Three independent repeats are shown. Error bars represent standard deviations from three technical replicates measured simultaneously. Average pIC_{50} values and inhibitor structures are provided in **Table 1**.

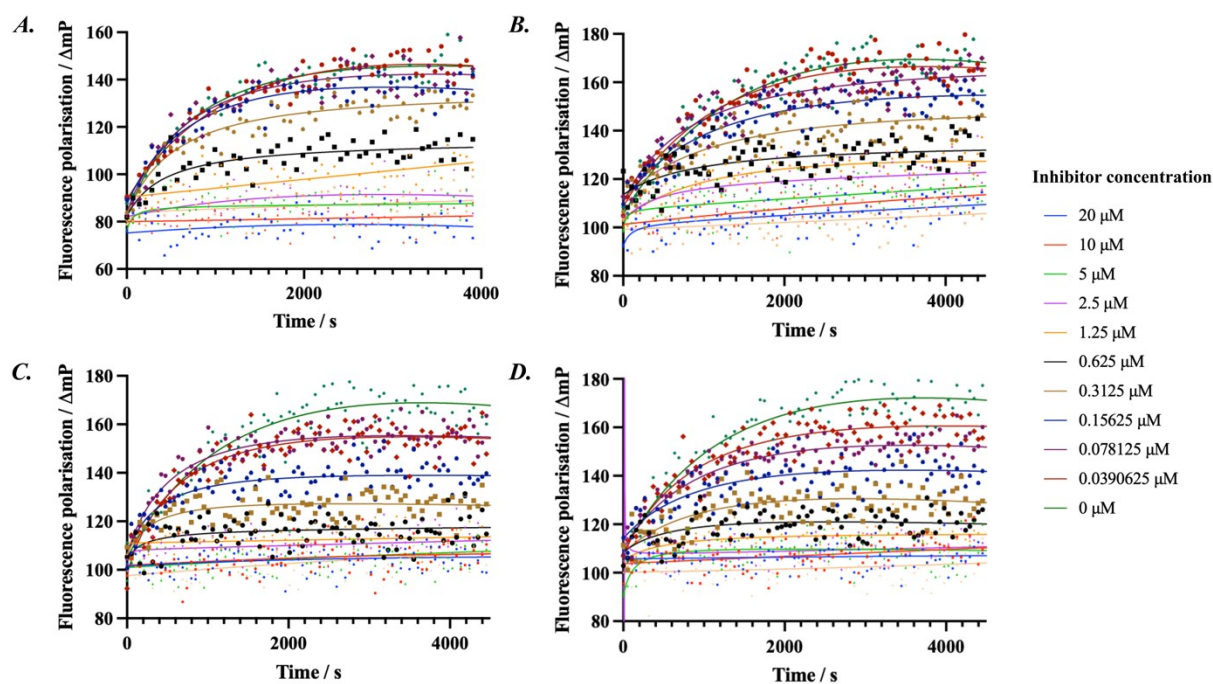


Figure S8: Representative progress curves for (A) cefiderocol, (B) ceftazidime, (C) cefepime and (D) meropenem with *P. aeruginosa* PBP3 measured using Bocillin-FL assays. Inhibition assays were carried out with 60 nM PBP3 and 30 nM Bocillin-FL in 50 mM potassium phosphate, pH 7.4, buffer. Three independent repeats were undertaken. Fitting was carried out using KinTek Global Kinetic Explorer Version v11.0.1 (KinTek, Austin, TX, USA) according to the procedure detailed by Shapiro *et. al.*^{8,9} Average k_{inact}/K_i values and inhibitor structures are provided in **Table 1**.

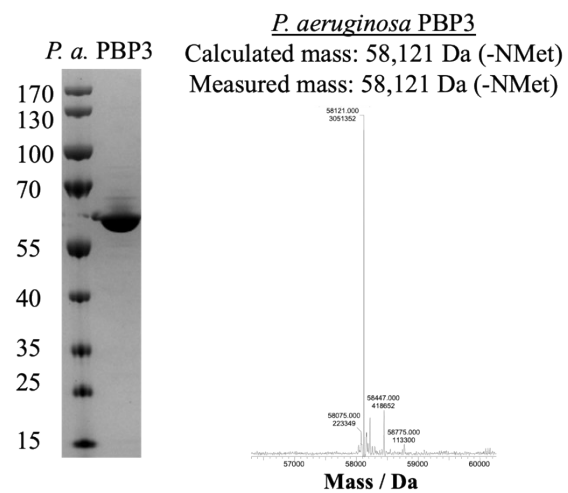


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Table S1: Crystallography data collection and refinement statistics for apo *P. aeruginosa* PBP3 and following reaction with beta-lactams.¹⁰⁻¹⁴

Data set	apo-PBP3	Cefiderocol	Ceftazidime	Cefepime	Meropenem
Wavelength (Å)	0.97626	0.97626	0.97626	0.97626	0.97626
Resolution range (Å)	54.14 – 2.11	61.07 – 1.80	54.39 – 1.80	53.59 – 2.70	60.89 – 2.10
Unique reflections ^a	30196 (2387)	48820 (2358)	47543 (2299)	12157 (1620)	30572 (2486)
Completeness (%)	99.8 (98.1)	99.9 (98.0)	98.7 (98.0)	87.8 (89.3)	100 (100)
Rmerge ^b	0.146 (1.331)	0.093 (1.068)	0.105 (1.000)	0.299 (1.529)	0.170 (1.246)
Rpim ^a	0.046 (0.416)	0.026 (0.306)	0.038 (0.393)	0.108 (0.558)	0.055 (0.398)
CC(1/2) ^c	0.998 (0.815)	0.998 (0.812)	0.997 (0.612)	0.987 (0.546)	0.998 (0.782)
Multiplicity ^d	10.8 (11.1)	13.6 (12.9)	8.6 (7.4)	7.8 (8.0)	10.5 (10.7)
I/σI ^l	6.9 (1.8)	15.9 (1.1)	12.4 (1.9)	4.2 (1.1)	9.0 (1.9)
Space group	<i>P2₁2₁2₁</i>	<i>P2₁2₁2₁</i>	<i>P2₁2₁2₁</i>	<i>P2₁2₁2₁</i>	<i>P2₁2₁2₁</i>
Unit cell parameters	a = 67.92 Å, b = 84.01 Å, c = 89.54 Å	a = 69.05 Å, b = 82.96 Å, c = 90.22 Å	a = 68.33 Å, b = 83.18 Å, c = 89.89 Å	a = 67.30 Å, b = 88.47 Å, c = 82.01 Å	a = 68.70 Å, b = 89.08 Å, c = 83.45 Å
Model refinement					
Resolution range (Å)	45.49 – 2.11	45.11 – 1.80	45.53 – 1.80	53.56 – 2.70	44.54 – 2.10
No. of reflections (working/free)	30063 (2793)	48724 (1986)	47304 (2374)	12048 (690)	29783 (2849)
No. of residues	A, 1 - 512	A, 1 - 517	A, 1 - 517	A, 3 - 513	A, 1 - 512
No. of water, ligand molecules	215	503	630	33	344
Rwork/Rfree, ^e %	0.226 / 0.263	0.189 / 0.218	0.187 / 0.222	0.250 / 0.296	0.213 / 0.254
B average ^f	34.81 Å	33.98 Å	26.10 Å	51.33 Å	29.28 Å
Geometry bonds / angles ^g	0.002 Å, 0.49 °	0.004 Å, 0.66 °	0.004 Å, 0.68 °	0.006 Å, 1.20 °	0.002 Å, 0.49 °
Ramachandra n ^h	96.4 % / 0.0 %	98.4 % / 0.0 %	98.2 % / 0.0 %	97.0 % / 0.0 %	96.2 % / 0.4 %
PDB ID ⁱ	9FZ8 .pdb	9FZ7 .pdb	9FZO .pdb	9FZP .pdb	9FZE .pdb

^aStatistics of highest resolution bin in brackets. ^bR_m: $\sum_h \sum_i |I(h,i) - I(h)| / \sum_h \sum_i I(h,i)$ where I(h,i) are symmetry related intensities and I(h) is the mean intensity of the reflection with unique index h. ^cCC_{1/2} is the correlation coefficient of the mean intensities between two random half-datasets. ^dMultiplicity for unique reflections. ^e5% of reflections were randomly selected for determination of the free R-factor, prior to any refinement. ^fTemperature factors averaged for

all atoms. ^gRMS deviations from ideal geometry for bond lengths and restraint angles (Engh and Huber). ^hPercentage of residues in the ‘most favoured region’ of the Ramachandran plot and percentage of outliers (PROCHECK). ⁱProtein Data Bank identifiers for co-ordinates.

Table S2: RMSD C- α values calculated for *P. aeruginosa* PBP3 crystal structures.
Calculated using Pymol Version 2.5.4.

	Apo-PBP3	Cefepime	Ceftazidime	Cefiderocol	Meropenem
Apo-PBP3	-	1.02 Å	1.07 Å	1.04 Å	0.29 Å
Cefepime	1.02 Å	-	1.31 Å	1.24 Å	0.96 Å
Ceftazidime	1.07 Å	1.31 Å	-	0.23 Å	1.12 Å
Cefiderocol	1.04 Å	1.24 Å	0.23 Å	-	1.09 Å
Meropenem	0.29 Å	0.96 Å	1.12 Å	1.09 Å	-

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