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**Asymmetric synthesis and biological evaluation  
of 1,2,4 - Oxadiazole analogues of Linezolid**

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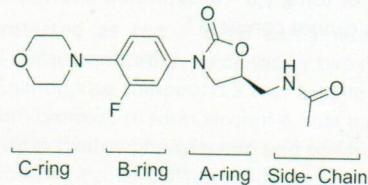
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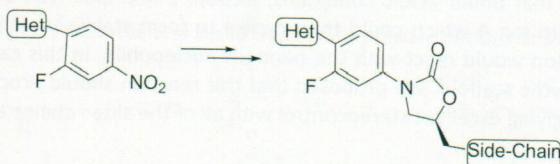
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1,2,4 – Oxadiazoles are known bioactive heterocycles whose activity has been often associated to their bioisosterism with amide or ester functionalities [1].

As results of a research project on the molecular design of heterocycle – based antibacterials to contrast Multi - Drug Resistance (MDR) [2], we report the synthesis of 1,2,4 - Oxadiazole analogues of Linezolid.



The synthesis has been achieved by substitution of the morpholine ( C - ring ) with the Oxadiazole ring [3,4]. The central oxazolidinone ring was obtained through the Manninen reaction. Synthesized compounds showed good activity against Linezolid - resistant bacteria.

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