

Flow cytometric detection of vancomycin-resistant *Enterococcus faecium* in urine using fluorescently labelled enterocin K1

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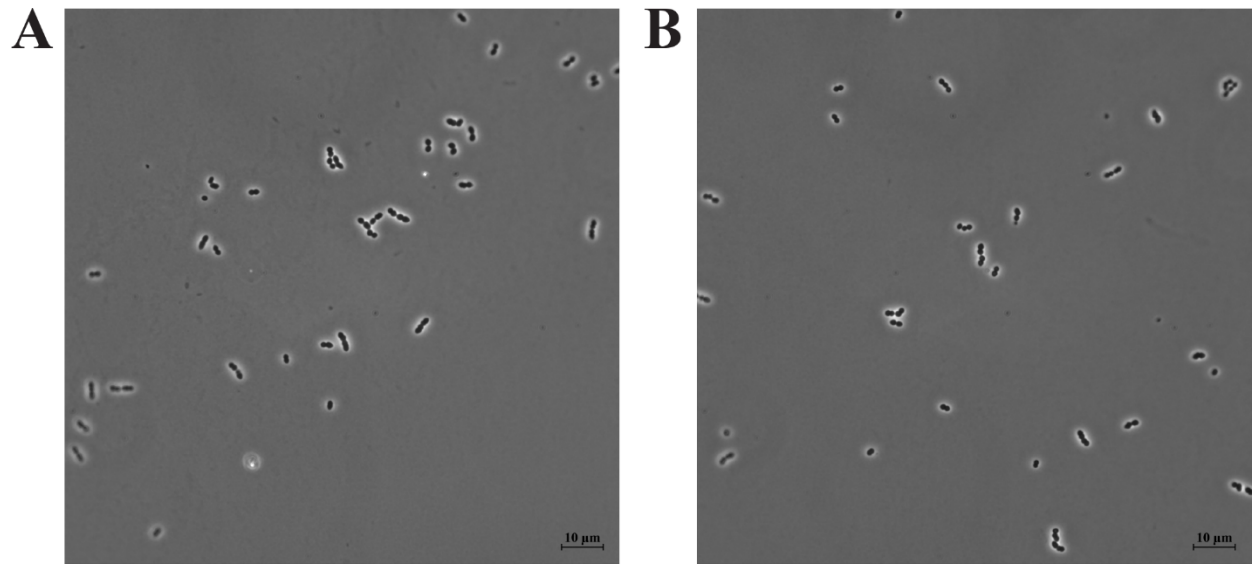


Fig S1. Phase contrast microscopy of *E. faecium* incubated for 2 hours in PBS (A), and with PBS containing 1 μ M FITC-EntK1 (B).

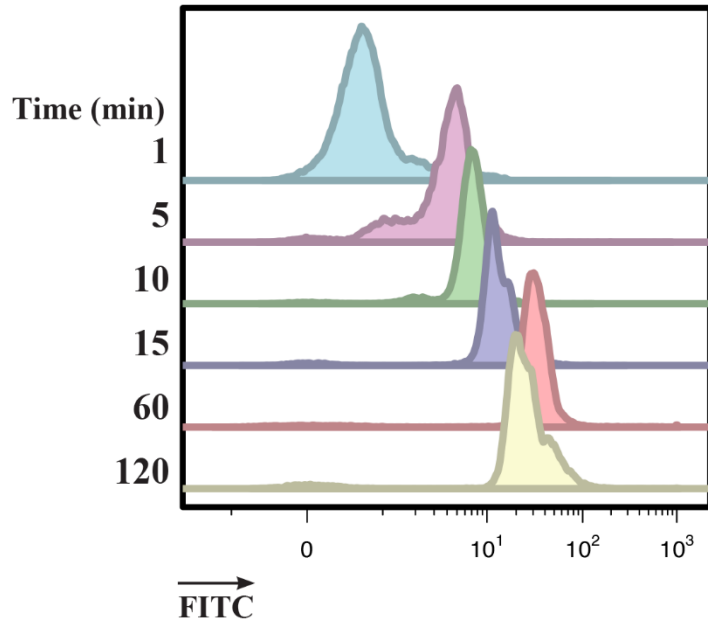


Fig S2. Effect of incubation time on the fluorescence intensity of *E. faecium* (10^5 CFU/ml). Cells were incubated in 0.1 mM triammonium citrate (pH 6.8) containing 0.2 μ M FITC-EntK1 at various time points (1-120 minutes).

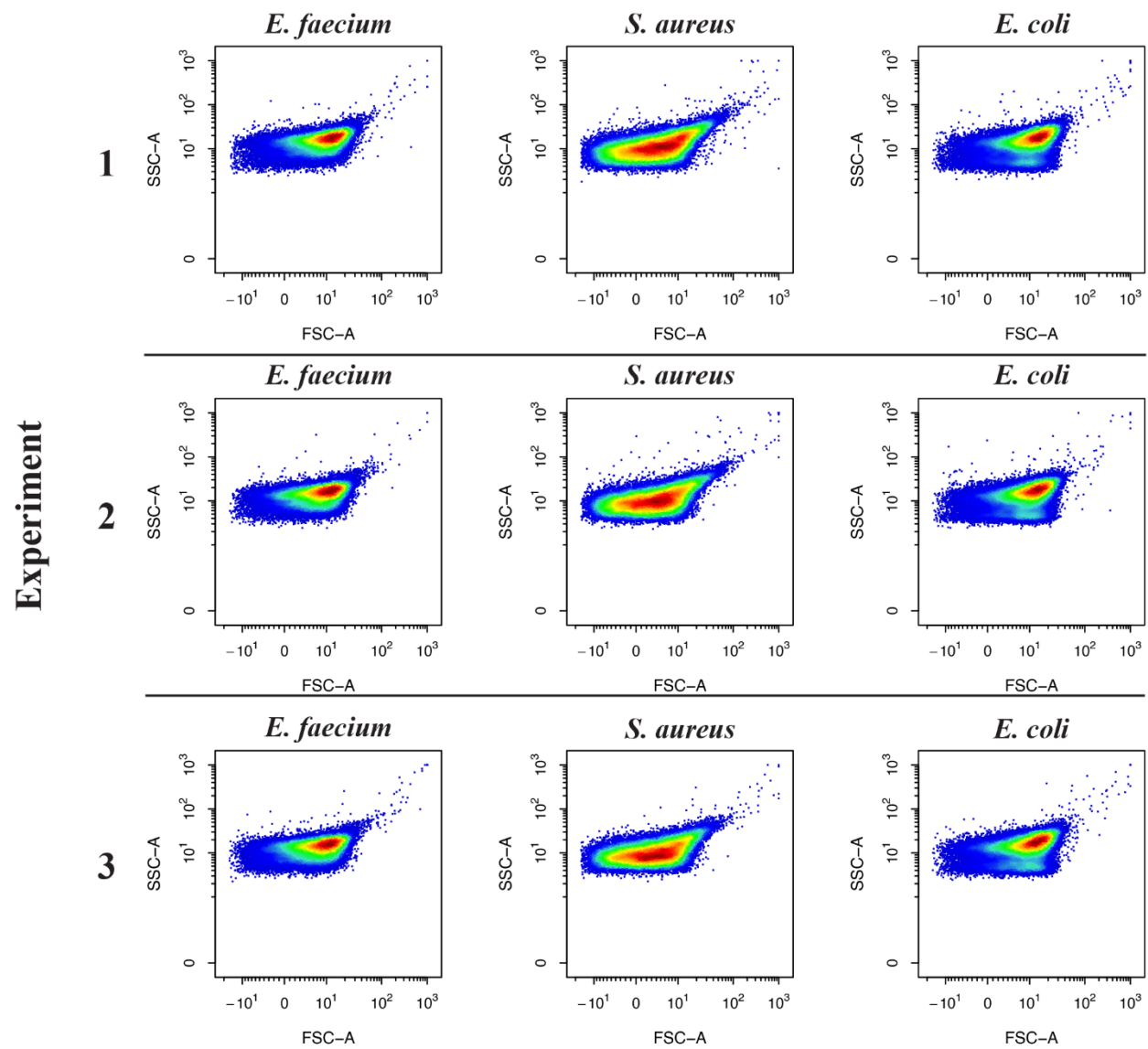


Fig S3. Density plots (dot plots) of flow cytometry measurements presented in Figure 5.

Table S1. Flow cytometry data obtained from the limit of detection experiment; values are representative from three biological replicates.

Cells ($\times 10^3$ CFU/ml)	Events	Gated (%)	MFI Gated
105	204431	130836 (64%)	19.4
58	121676	73234 (60%)	29.0
35	69371	37954 (55%)	32.0
22	44024	21157 (48%)	31.8
14	28003	10666 (38%)	31.9
5	21967	6355 (29%)	30.3
3	16809	3518 (21%)	30.1
0	12116	262 (2.2%)	0.11

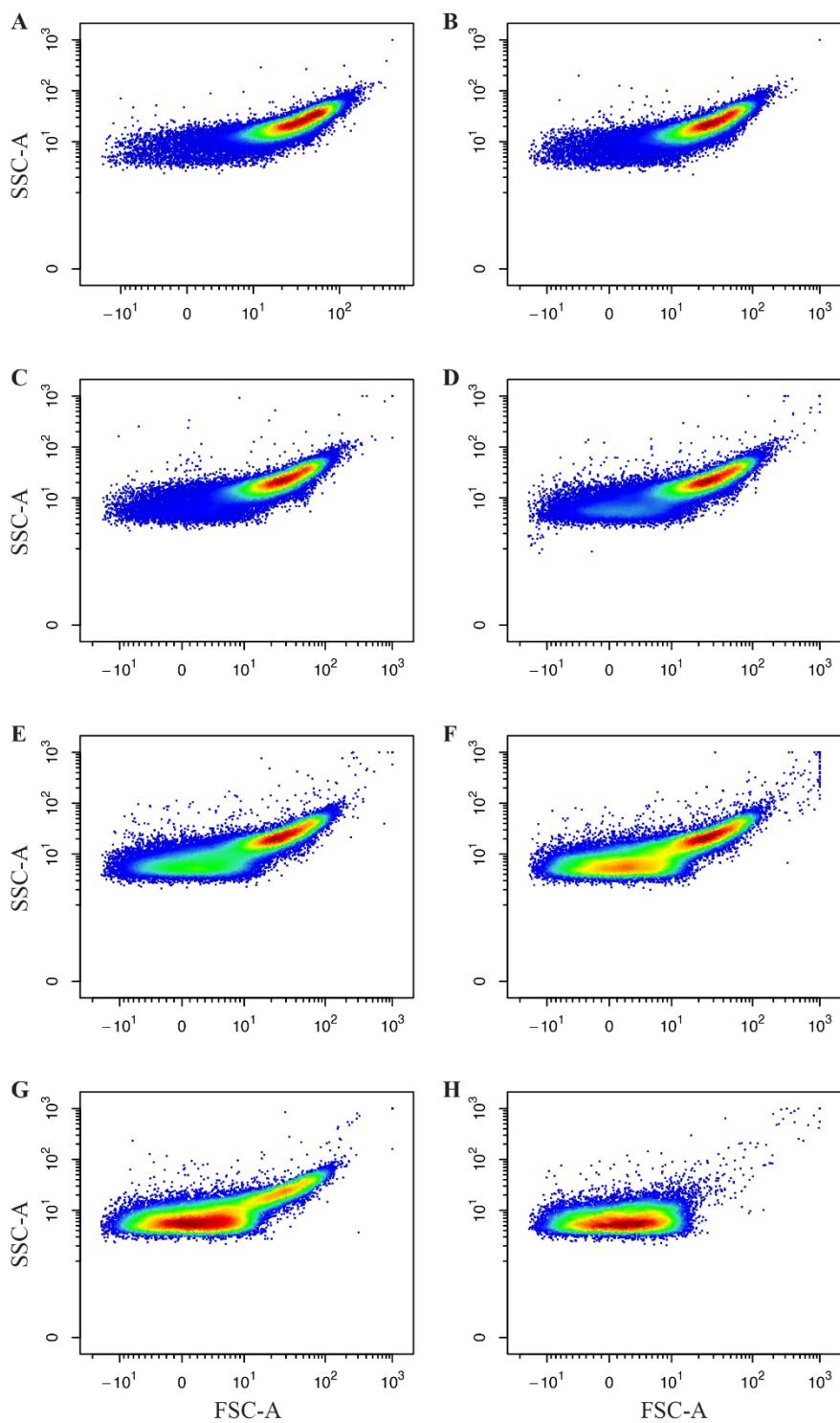


Fig S4. Representative density plots of the limit of detection experiment shown in Figure 7. Measurements were obtained from a urine sample inoculated with 105×10^3 (A), 58×10^3 (B), 35×10^3 (C), 22×10^3 (D), 14×10^3 (E), 5×10^3 (F), 3×10^3 (G), and 0 (H) CFU/ml (see Table S1).