



### ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

**Target Audience**  
 Addressing the challenges of MDR bacteria requires an interprofessional approach that includes all healthcare providers involved in the prevention, diagnosis, and management of patients with or at risk for these infections. Therefore, this continuing medical education activity targets a variety of healthcare providers that include ID physicians, infection control specialists, hospital epidemiologists, hospitalists, clinical microbiologists, nurses, and clinical pharmacists.

**Learning Objectives**  
 Upon completing this activity, participants will be able to:

- Discuss current epidemiological trends regarding multidrug-resistant (MDR) Gram-negative bacteria and their impact on clinical outcomes
- Summarize approaches aimed at minimizing the spread and development of antimicrobial resistance, including antimicrobial stewardship strategies and rapid diagnostic assays
- Evaluate the potential role of new and emerging antimicrobial agents as part of the treatment armamentarium when treating infections caused by MDR Gram-negative bacteria

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### Antimicrobial Resistance

**Emergence of Antimicrobial Resistance: Time between Regulatory Approval or Introduction to the Market**

Drug	Year	Year of Emergence
Carbapenems	1985	1986
Vancomycin	1978	1980
Trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole	1973	1974
Fluoroquinolones	1982	1983
Linezolid	2000	2002
Polymyxins	1957	1958
β-lactams	1940s	1940s
Macrolides	1950s	1950s
Tetracyclines	1948	1949
Chloramphenicol	1948	1949
Streptogramins	1981	1982
Glycopeptides	1982	1983
Colistin	1958	1959
β-lactams	1940s	1940s
Vancomycin	1978	1980
Trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole	1973	1974
Fluoroquinolones	1982	1983
Linezolid	2000	2002
Polymyxins	1957	1958

- In USA:
  - AMR organisms cause >2 million infections
  - 23,000 deaths each year (~25,000 in Europe)
  - Estimated \$20 billion in excess medical spending each year
- Full global effect of AMR is difficult
- Recent global emergence:
  - USA (carbapenem-resistant *Klebsiella pneumoniae*)
  - India (bacteria with the plasmid-mediated *bla<sub>KPC-1</sub>* gene that confers resistance to carbapenems)
  - *Escherichia coli* with plasmid-mediated *mcr-1* gene that confers resistance to colistin (originally described in China)

AMR, Antimicrobial Resistance  
 Marston HD, et al. JAMA. 2016; 316: 1193-1204.

### Global Distribution of Carbapenemases in Enterobacteriaceae, by Country and Region

Logan UK, Weinstein RA. J Infect Dis. 2017;215(5):528-536.

### Recovery of *mcr-1*-Expressing Resistant Enterobacteriaceae Isolates as of June 21, 2016

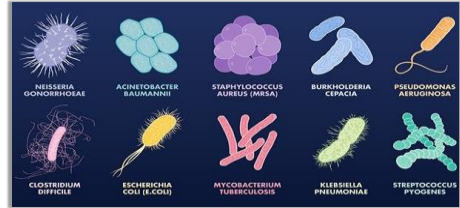
Marston HD, et al. JAMA. 2016;316:1193-1204.

## Colistin and Polymyxin B

- Assumed an important role as “salvage therapy” for otherwise untreatable Gram-negative infections
- Emerging pharmacokinetic-pharmacodynamic data indicate that monotherapy is unlikely to generate plasma concentrations that are reliably efficacious
- Regrowth and the emergence of resistance with monotherapy are commonly reported even when concentrations exceed those achieved clinically
- Combination therapy has been suggested as a possible means of increasing antimicrobial activity and reducing the development of resistance

Bergen PJ, et al. *Pharmacother.* 2015;356:34-42.

## Most Dangerous Antibiotic-Resistant Bacteria



Longitude Prize. Available at: <https://longitudin.prize.org/blog-post/10-most-dangerous-antibiotic-resistant-bacteria>.

## WHO Priority Pathogen List for R&D of New Antibiotics

- Priority 1: Critical**
  - Enterobacteriaceae, carbapenem-resistant, ESBL-producing
  - Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, carbapenem-resistant
  - Acinetobacter baumannii*, carbapenem-resistant
- Includes multidrug-resistant bacteria that pose a particular threat in hospitals, nursing homes, and among patients whose care requires devices such as ventilators and blood catheters
- Can cause severe and often deadly infections such as bloodstream infections and pneumonia
- Resistant to a large number of antibiotics, including the best available antibiotics for treating multidrug-resistant bacteria

Released February 27, 2017  
WHO. Available at: <http://www.who.int/mediacentre/news/releases/2017/bacteria-antibiotics-needed/en/>.

## WHO Priority Pathogen List for R&D of New Antibiotics

- Priority 2: HIGH**
  - Enterococcus faecium*, vancomycin-resistant
  - Staphylococcus aureus*, methicillin-resistant, vancomycin-intermediate or resistant
  - Helicobacter pylori*, clarithromycin-resistant
  - Campylobacter* spp., fluoroquinolone-resistant
  - Salmonellae*, fluoroquinolone-resistant
  - Neisseria gonorrhoeae*, cephalosporin-resistant, fluoroquinolone-resistant
- Priority 3: MEDIUM**
  - Streptococcus pneumoniae*, penicillin-non-susceptible
  - Haemophilus influenzae*, ampicillin-resistant
  - Shigella* spp., fluoroquinolone-resistant

Released February 27, 2017  
WHO. Available at: <http://www.who.int/mediacentre/news/releases/2017/bacteria-antibiotics-needed/en/>.

## Factors Placing Hospitalized Patients at High Risk for Acquiring MDR Gram-Negative Bacteria

High Risk of Resistance	High Risk of Mortality
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Institutional MDR bacteria (endemic or epidemic)</li> <li>Personal history of MDR pathogens</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Neutropenic with bacteremia</li> <li>Severe sepsis / septic shock</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sepsis already present on antimicrobial therapy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Burns</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Transplantation or neutropenia on prophylactic antimicrobial therapy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Antimicrobial therapy in the past 90 days</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cystic fibrosis</li> </ul>	

Cerco E, et al. *Microbial Drug Resistance.* 2016;22:412-431.

## Bloodstream Infections Caused by Multidrug-Resistant Gram-Negative Bacteria

- 891 patients with monomicrobial MDR BSI at Duke University
  - 282 patients (33%) had BSI due to MDR pathogens and more likely to have:
    - History of transplant (19% versus 12%;  $P = 0.02$ )
    - Prior Gram-negative infection (46% versus 33%;  $P = 0.0003$ )
    - Hospital-acquired infection (35% versus 28%;  $P = 0.05$ )
- Most commonly isolated Gram-negative bacteria were:
  - Escherichia coli* (37%; 330/891)
  - Klebsiella pneumoniae* (19%; 166/891)
  - Pseudomonas aeruginosa* (13%; 119/891)
- MDR phenotype was most common in *Escherichia coli* (50%) and *Citrobacter freundii* (44%)

MDR, multidrug-resistant (nonsusceptible to at least one agent in greater than or equal to 3 antimicrobial categories)  
BSI, bloodstream infections

Thaden JT, et al. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother.* 2017;51:e01709-16.



## Ceftolozane-Tazobactam Current Availability of Susceptibility Tests

- **Disks**
  - MAST Disk: Hardy Diagnostics, commercially-available FDA-approved diameters:
    - Enterobacteriaceae: >21mm (S), 18-20mm (I), and <17mm (R)
    - *P. aeruginosa*: >21mm (S), 17-20mm (I), and <16mm (R)
- **Gradient Strips**
  - Breakpoints published in the package insert and latest CLSI M100 document
    - Etest (Biomérieux) Research use only. Etests can be ordered from IHMA (<http://ihmist-ruc.com>) - Approval anticipated in June/July 2017
    - MIC test strip (Lioflichem) C/T test strips can be ordered directly from Lioflichem ([http://www.lioflichem.net/en/pdf/mic\\_brochure.pdf](http://www.lioflichem.net/en/pdf/mic_brochure.pdf)). Approved in USA, Europe, Canada
- **Panels**
  - Vitek 2 (Biomérieux) card approved and will undergo beta-testing; anticipate commercial availability in May/June 2017, software updates started in March 2017
  - Microscan (Beckman Coulter) expect commercial availability in late 2017/2018
  - Phoenix (BD) expect commercial availability late 2017/2018
  - Trek Panel (ThermoFisher Scientific) commercially available since Q1 2016

## Ceftazidime-Avibactam

- Antipseudomonal cephalosporin plus beta-lactamase inhibitor
- Spectrum of activity: Gram-negatives, including MDR *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, ESBL-producing strains, and **KPCs**
- FDA approval in February 2015 (originally based Phase 2 data)
  - Complicated Urinary Tract Infections (cUTI), including pyelonephritis
  - Complicated Intraabdominal Infections (cIAI) plus metronidazole
  - IV dose: 2.5 g (2 g ceftazidime; 0.5 g avibactam) q8h (2-h infusion)
- Dosage adjustment in patients with CrCl 50 mL/min
- Most common adverse reactions in cIAI (≥5%) patients are diarrhea, nausea, and vomiting. The most common (3%) in cUTI patients are diarrhea and nausea.

Zhanel GG, et al. *Drugs*. 2013;73:159-177.  
Liscio JL, et al. *Int J Antimicrob Agents*. 2015;46:266-271.

## Ceftazidime-Avibactam Current Availability of Susceptibility Tests

- **Approved Tests**
  - KB Disks from Hardy Diagnostics and BD
  - Custom Sensitre (ThermoFisher)
- **Tests in Development**
  - Etest - RUO only available at [www.avycaseval.com](http://www.avycaseval.com)
  - Etest expected approval Q3-4 2017
- **Automated Tests**
  - Vitek 2: Software validation Q1 2017, expected approval Q2 2018
  - Microscan (Beckman Coulter): expect commercial availability in mid 2018
  - Phoenix (BD): FDA-approved, but not available yet

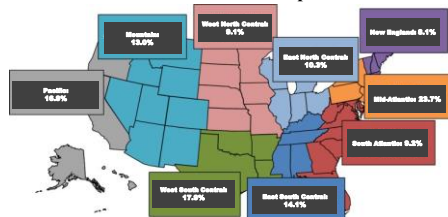
## Antibiotic Resistance Threats in the United States, 2013

Gram-Negative Organism	Cases (%)	Deaths (%)	Threat Level
ESBL-producing Enterobacteriaceae	25,000 (1.93)	1700 (7.44)	Serious
Multidrug-resistant <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	6700 (0.5)	440 (1.92)	Serious
Carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae	9300 (0.69)	610 (2.67)	Urgent
Multidrug-resistant <i>Acinetobacter</i> spp.	7300 (0.54)	500 (2.18)	Serious

Estimated annual incidence of infection due to notable antimicrobial-resistant organisms  
Total: 1,349,765 cases and 22,240 deaths  
ESBL, extended-spectrum beta-lactamase

Thabit AK, et al. *Expert Opin Pharmacother*. 2015;16:159-177.  
Available at: <http://www.cdc.gov/drugresistance/pdf/ar-threats-2013-508.pdf>.

## ESBL Phenotype Among Enterobacteriaceae Isolates in United States Hospitals – 2014



Castanheira M, et al. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother*. 2016;60:4770-7.

## Ambler Classification Beta-lactamases

Ambler Class	Beta-lactamase Type	Preferred Substrates	Representative Enzymes
A	Narrow-spectrum	Penicillins, narrow-spectrum cephalosporins	TEM-1, TEM-2, SHV-1
A	Extended-spectrum	Narrow and extended-spectrum beta-lactams	SHV-2, CTX-M-15, PER-1, VEB-1
A	Serine-carbapenemase	Carbapenems	KPC-1, IMI-1, SME-1
B	Metallo-beta-lactamases	Most beta-lactams, including carbapenems	VIM-1, IMP-1, NDM-1
C	Cephalosporinases	Cephalosporins	AmpC, P99, ACT-1, CMV-2, FOX-1, MIR-1
D	OXA-type enzymes	Penicillins, oxacillins, carbapenems	OXA enzymes

Drawz SM, Bonomo RA. *Rev Clin Microbiol Rev*. 2010;14:160-201.  
Toussaint KA, Gallagher JC. *Ann Pharmacother*. 2015;49:98-99.

## Use of Non-carbapenem Beta-Lactams for the Treatment of ESBL Infections

### Cefepime

- Diminished efficacy with higher bacterial inoculums (cIAI, pneumonia, osteoarticular)
- Failure to meet pharmacodynamic targets: inadequate dosing and/or interval schedules
- "Hidden resistance" (CLSI breakpoint at 8 mg/L, accounting for drug dosing)
- Contribution of ESBL production and drug MIC towards efficacy remains controversial
- Conflicting results in clinical trials between cefepime versus carbapenems for invasive ESBL infections

### Piperacillin-Tazobactam

- Considerable proportion of ESBL isolates demonstrate susceptibility
- Organisms can produce multiple ESBLs simultaneously or have additional resistance mechanisms (e.g., AmpC, OMP)
- "Inoculum effect" similar to cefepime
- Contradictory results in clinical trials between piperacillin-tazobactam versus carbapenems for invasive ESBL infections
  - High inoculum, higher median MIC, greater proportion of *Klebsiella pneumoniae* isolates
  - Underdosing of piperacillin-tazobactam

Tamma PD, Rodriguez-Bano J. Clin Infect Dis. 2017;64:972-80.

## Use of Non-carbapenem Beta-Lactams for the Treatment of ESBL Infections

### Cefepime

- Do not favor use for serious ESBL infections
- Nonsevere ESBL infections (e.g., UTIs with cefepime MICs  $\leq 2$  mg/L) so pharmacodynamics targets are met
- Nonsevere ESBL-producing infections with MICs of 4–8 mg/L, recommend 2 g q8h, possibility as a continuous infusion

### Piperacillin-Tazobactam

- Reasonable options for low- to moderate-severity infections resulting from urinary or biliary sources, and infections with piperacillin MIC  $< 4$  mg/L
- Carbapenem may be more appropriate first in critically ill patients, patients with high inoculum infections, and elevated piperacillin MIC values
- Regardless, recommend administering 4.5 g q8h (or 4.5 g q8h as extended infusion) for patients with invasive ESBL infections

Tamma PD, Rodriguez-Bano J. Clin Infect Dis. 2017;64:972-80.

## Use of Newer Beta-Lactam Beta-Lactamase Inhibitors for the Treatment of ESBL Infections

### Ceftolozane-Tazobactam

- Ceftolozane has good activity against Enterobacteriaceae, but limited activity against ESBLs
- Tazobactam is a potent, irreversible inhibitor of most ESBLs
- MIC<sub>50</sub> / MIC<sub>90</sub> for ESBL-producing strains of:
  - Escherichia coli*: 0.5 / 4 mg/L
  - Klebsiella pneumoniae*: 4 /  $> 32$  mg/L
- Evidence suggests a potential role, however more clinical data are needed and significant expense is a limiting factor

- Efficacy of ceftolozane-tazobactam (C-T), pooled analysis Phase 3 cUTI & cIAI trials
- 150 patients (11%) had ESBL-producing Enterobacteriaceae (pooled ME population)
- MIC<sub>50</sub> / MIC<sub>90</sub> for 159 ESBL-producing strains:
  - Ceftolozane-Tazobactam: 0.5 / 8 mg/L (81.8% S)
  - Piperacillin-Tazobactam: 8 / 128 mg/L (73.0% S)
  - Cefepime: 32 / 64 mg/L (19.6% S)
- Clinical cure rates for ME patients:
  - 98.0% (49/50) ESBL - *Escherichia coli* for C-T
  - 94.4% (17/18) ESBL - *K. pneumoniae* for C-T
  - 82.6% (38/46) for levofloxacin
  - 88.5% (23/26) for meropenem

Tamma PD, Rodriguez-Bano J. Clin Infect Dis. 2017;64:972-80.

Popejoy MW, et al. J Antimicrob Chemother. 2017;72:268-272.

## Use of Newer Beta-Lactam Beta-Lactamase Inhibitors for the Treatment of ESBL Infections

### Ceftazidime-Avibactam

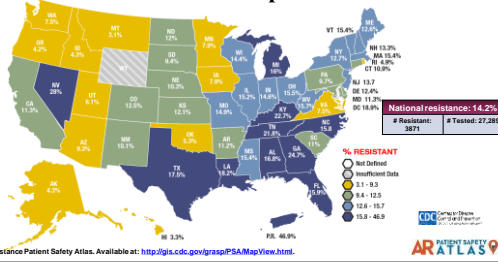
- Tends to be more active *in vitro* against ESBL producers than ceftolozane-tazobactam
- MIC<sub>50</sub> / MIC<sub>90</sub> for ESBL-producing strains of:
  - Escherichia coli*: 0.12 / 0.25 mg/L
  - Klebsiella pneumoniae*: 0.5 / 1 mg/L
- Showed similar microbiological response as doripenem against ceftazidime-resistant Enterobacteriaceae, most being ESBL-producing in cUTI study
- Evidence suggests a potential role, however more clinical data are needed and significant expense is a limiting factor

- Efficacy of ceftazidime-avibactam (Cef-Avi) among mMITT population Phase 3 cIAI trials
- 124 patients had Enterobacteriaceae after testing MIC screen positive (ceftriaxone and/or ceftazidime MIC  $\leq 2$  mg/L)
- Clinical cure rates for mMITT patients:
  - 87.5% (49/56) MIC-screen positive for Cef-Avi
  - 86.5% (64/74) MIC-screen positive for Meropenem
  - 92.5% (37/40) ESBL - ENT for Cef-Avi
  - 84.9% (42/53) ESBL - ENT for Meropenem
  - 81.6% (337/413) all patients for Cef-Avi
  - 85.1% (349/410) all patients for Meropenem

Tamma PD and Rodriguez-Bano J. Clin Infect Dis. 2017;64:972-880.

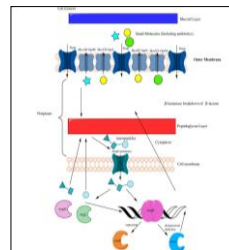
ENT, Enterobacteriaceae  
Mendes RE, et al. Antimicrob Agents Chemother 2017; Epub doi:10.1128/AAC.02447-16

## Multidrug-Resistant *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* Isolates in United States Hospitals: 2011–2014



CDC Antibiotic Resistance Patient Safety Atlas. Available at: <http://gis.cdc.gov/grasp/PRAM/MapView.html>.

## *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* Resistance Mechanisms



- Mucoid layer
  - *P. aeruginosa* has a mucoid layer outside the outer membrane; increased thickness of this layer
- Outer membrane porins
  - Loss of porins inhibits antibiotic entry
- Efflux pumps
  - *P. aeruginosa* can carry efflux pumps in outer membrane; when present, antibiotics can be pumped out the cell
- Penicillin-binding protein (PBP) alterations
  - In peptidoglycan layer; altered to prevent interaction of antibiotics with their targets
- Beta-lactamase upregulation
  - Regulation of the chromosomal AmpC, involves a complex relationships between peptidoglycan breakdown, beta-lactam exposure, and overexpression of the AmpC enzyme
  - In periplasmic space of the bacteria; able to break down beta-lactam antibiotics and/or beta-lactamase inhibitors

Winkler ML, et al. Antimicrob Agents Chemother. 2015;59:1020-9.

## Ceftolozane-Tazobactam

- Demonstrated potent *in vitro* activity against *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* isolates tested that had:
  - Chromosomal AmpC or
  - Loss of outer membrane porin (OprD) or
  - Up-regulation of efflux pumps (MexXY, MexAB)
- Not active against bacteria producing metallo- $\beta$ -lactamases
- Current FDA susceptibility interpretive criteria:

Pathogen	Minimum Inhibitory Concentrations (mg/L)		
	Susceptible (S)	Intermediate (I)	Resistant (R)
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	$\leq 4 / 4^*$	8 / 4*	$\geq 16 / 4^*$

\* Ceftolozane/tazobactam susceptibility testing performed with a fixed 4  $\mu$ g/mL concentration of tazobactam

ZERBAXA® (ceftolozane and tazobactam) for injection, for intravenous use Prescribing Information, Merck & Co., Inc., Whitehouse Station, NJ, October 2016  
 Takada S, et al. *Int J Antimicrob Agents*. 2007;20:443-5; Takada S, et al. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother*. 2007;51:826-30; Castanheira M, et al. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother*. 2014;58:684-56.

## Ceftolozane-Tazobactam

Antimicrobial susceptibility patterns of 3851 *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* isolates from United States hospitals (FACTS, 2012–2015):

	% Susceptible	MIC <sub>50</sub>	MIC <sub>90</sub>
Ceftolozane-tazobactam	97.0	0.5	2
Amikacin	96.9	2	8
Cefepime	85.9	2	16
Ceftazidime	85.1	2	32
Colistin	99.2	1	2
Levofloxacin	76.6	0.5	>4
Meropenem	81.8	0.5	8
Piperacillin-tazobactam	80.4	4	>64

The MIC<sub>50</sub> remained below the susceptible breakpoint of 54.0 mg/L for the 4-year period:

Year	%S	MIC <sub>50</sub>	MIC <sub>90</sub>
2015	98.0	0.5	1
2014	96.4	0.5	2
2013	96.4	0.5	2
2012	97.5	0.5	2

MIC (mg/L), minimal inhibitory concentration to inhibit growth of 50% and 90% of isolates

ShorrIDGE D, et al. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother*. 2017;doi:10.1128/AAC.00465-17.

## Ceftolozane-Tazobactam

Ceftolozane-tazobactam susceptibility patterns of 3851 *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* isolates from United States hospitals (FACTS, 2012–2015):

	% Susceptible	MIC <sub>50</sub>	MIC <sub>90</sub>
All isolates (n=3851)	97.0	0.5	2
Meropenem - Nonsusceptible (n=699)	87.6	1	8
Multidrug-resistant (MDR) (n=607)	84.0	2	8
Extensively drug-resistant (XDR) (n=363)	76.9	2	16
Nonsusceptible to cefepime, ceftazidime, meropenem, and piperacillin-tazobactam (n=241)	68.0	4	>32

ShorrIDGE D, et al. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother* 2017; doi:10.1128/AAC.00465-17

## Ceftolozane-Tazobactam

- Isolates displaying derepressed AmpC had ceftolozane-tazobactam MIC values ranging from 1 to 16 mg/L<sup>1</sup>
- The development of high-level resistance to ceftolozane-tazobactam appears to occur efficiently only in a *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* mutator background, in which multiple mutations lead to overexpression and structural modifications of AmpC<sup>2</sup>
- Pseudomonas aeruginosa* is able to adapt to efficacious beta-lactams, including newer cephalosporin ceftolozane, through a variety of mutations affecting its intrinsic beta-lactamase, AmpC<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Castanheira M, et al. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother*. 2014;58:6844-55.  
<sup>2</sup> Cabot G, et al. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother*. 2014;58:3091-9.  
<sup>3</sup> Bierazeg M, et al. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother*. 2015;59:6248-55.

## Ceftolozane-Tazobactam

- Spectrum of activity: Gram-negatives, including MDR *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* and ESBL-producing strains
- FDA approval in December 2014
  - Complicated Urinary Tract Infections, including Pyelonephritis
  - Complicated Intraabdominal Infections (plus metronidazole)
  - IV dose: 1.5 g (1 g ceftolozane; 0.5 g tazobactam) q8h (1-h infusion)
- Ongoing Phase 3 Trial: Ventilated nosocomial pneumonia**
  - Increase dose: 3.0 g (2 g ceftolozane; 1 g tazobactam) q8h**
  - For 8 days; however 14 days for *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*
- Plasma-to-epithelial lining fluid penetration ~50%

Zhanell GG, et al. *Drugs* 2014;74:31-51.  
 Chandorkar G, et al. *J Antimicrob Chemother*. 2012;57:2463-9.  
 ClinicalTrials.gov: NCT02070757

## Ceftolozane-Tazobactam Therapy\*

Respiratory Infections due to MDR *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*

Age/ Sex	Prior Antibiotics	Clinical / Microbiologic Outcomes	Susceptibilities (MIC, $\mu$ g/mL)
69 y; male	Ciprofloxacin	Cure / Eradication	Ceftolozane-Tazobactam (0.25) Meropenem (8) Cefepime (8) Ciprofloxacin (2-4) Tobramycin (4-8) Piperacillin-Tazobactam (4-16)
63 y; male	Meropenem, Ciprofloxacin	Cure / Eradication	Ceftolozane-Tazobactam (1) Meropenem (8) Cefepime (8-16) Ciprofloxacin (2) Tobramycin (4-8) Piperacillin-Tazobactam (4-8) Colistin (susceptible) Polymyxin (susceptible)
52 y; male	Meropenem, Linezolid	Cure / Eradication	Ceftolozane-Tazobactam (1) Meropenem (8) Cefepime (16) Ciprofloxacin (4-8) Tobramycin (4-8) Piperacillin-Tazobactam (8-16)

\* Ceftolozane-tazobactam 3 g IV every 8 hours for 14 days

Gelfand MS, Cleveland KO. *Clin Infect Dis*. 2015;61:853-4 [letter to editor].

## “Real World” Treatment Reports

### Ceftolozane-Tazobactam for MDR *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*

- 15 patients with XDR infections: Clinic cure 67%; All-cause-in-hospital mortality 27%; 6/8 microbiological cure; 2 microbiological failures; combination therapy in 10 of 15: 4 failures at end of therapy<sup>1</sup>
- Multicenter, retrospective study of 35 patients infected with carbapenem-resistant *P. aeruginosa*; pneumonia most common indication (n=18); treatment success rate was 74% (n=26); treatment failure in all cases where MIC  $\geq 8$  mg/L<sup>2</sup>
- Multicenter, retrospective study of 12 patients; salvage therapy for severe MDR infections (83% presented as septic shock; 3 deaths); pneumonia in 6 patients (50%); microbiological eradication in 10 patients (83.3%) however 2 patients late reoccurrence with C-T resistant MDR-PA<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Dinh A, et al. *Int J Antimicrob Agents*. 2017;49:782-3.  
<sup>2</sup> Hanita JM, et al. *Clin Infect Dis*. 2017 (Epub ahead of print). doi: 10.1093/cid/ciw114  
<sup>3</sup> Caston JA, et al. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother*. 2017;61:e02136-16.

## Ceftazidime-Avibactam

- Demonstrated *in vitro* activity against *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* in the presence of:
  - some AmpC beta-lactamases or
  - certain strains lacking outer membrane porin (OprD)
- Not active against bacteria producing metallo- $\beta$ -lactamases and may not have activity against Gram-negative bacteria that overexpress efflux pumps or have porin mutations
- Current FDA susceptibility interpretive criteria:

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Enterobacteriaceae		

\*Ceftazidime / avibactam susceptibility testing performed with a fixed 4  $\mu$ g/ml concentration of avibactam

AVYCAZ® (ceftazidime and avibactam) for injection, for intravenous use. Prescribing Information, Allergan USA, Inc., Irvine, CA, January 2017.

## Ceftazidime-Avibactam

Antimicrobial susceptibility patterns of 7452 *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* isolates from United States hospitals (INFORM, 2012–2015):

	% Susceptible	MIC <sub>50</sub>	MIC <sub>90</sub>
Ceftazidime-avibactam	97.0	2	4
Ceftazidime	84.3	2	32
Cefepime	85.4	2	16
Piperacillin-tazobactam	80.5	4	>64
Meropenem	82.0	0.5	8
Ciprofloxacin	77.5	0.12	>4
Levofloxacin	74.9	0.5	>4
Gentamicin	88.3	$\leq 1$	8
Amikacin	97.0	2	8
Colistin	99.4	1	2

The MIC<sub>50</sub> remained below the susceptible breakpoint of 58.0 mg/L for the 4-year period:

Year	%S
2015	98.0
2014	96.3
2013	96.8
2012	96.9

MIC (mg/L), minimal inhibitory concentration to inhibit growth of 50% and 90% of isolates  
 CLSI Criteria for susceptibility

Sader HS, et al. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother*. 2017;61:e02252-16.

## Ceftazidime-Avibactam

Ceftazidime-avibactam activity tested against *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* isolates

	Cumulative (%) inhibited at MIC in mg/L of:			MIC <sub>50</sub> / MIC <sub>90</sub> (mg/L)
	4	8	16	
All isolates (n=7452)	91.4	97.0	98.8	2 / 4
Ceftazidime – Nonsusceptible (n=188)	59.9	81.0	92.2	4 / 16
Meropenem – Nonsusceptible (n=1341)	65.5	86.2	94.0	4 / 16
Piperacillin-tazobactam – Nonsusceptible (n=1448)	62.0	85.4	94.1	4 / 16
Levofloxacin – Nonsusceptible (n=1888)	75.1	90.4	95.8	4 / 8
Gentamicin – Nonsusceptible (n=873)	73.9	87.6	92.9	2 / 16
Amikacin – Nonsusceptible (n=224)	89.2	79.5	87.1	4 / 32
Colistin – Nonsusceptible (n=49)	86.7	88.9	95.8	2 / 16
Multidrug-resistant (MDR) (n=115)	57.3	82.1	92.5	4 / 16
Extensively drug-resistant (XDR) (n=698)	46.0	75.8	92.4	8 / 32
Nonsusceptible to Meropenem, Ceftazidime, and Piperacillin-tazobactam (n=607)	42.5	71.2	88.4	8 / 32

Sader HS, et al. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother*. 2017;61:e02252-16.

## Resistance to Ceftazidime-Avibactam

- $\beta$ -lactam-resistant *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* clinical isolates
  - 18.5% of archived isolates (n = 54) from a decade ago were resistant to ceftazidime-avibactam with MIC of  $\geq 16$   $\mu$ g/mL
- Acquired resistance, which may be driven by altered outer membrane permeability or overexpressed efflux pumps
- Combination poses a potential advantage
  - Addition of colistin reduced resistance to 7% of strains
  - Addition of fosfomycin reduced resistance to 1.9% of strains
- Resistance was not due to changes in penicillin-binding-protein (PBP) sequence or changes to  $\beta$ -lactamase sequence or expression level

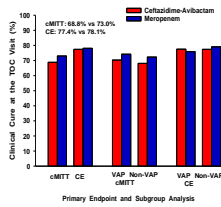
Winkler ML, et al. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother*. 2015;59:1020-9.

## Ceftazidime-Avibactam

- REPRISE Study<sup>1</sup>
  - Ceftazidime-avibactam or best-available therapy in patients with ceftazidime-resistant Enterobacteriaceae and *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* cUTI or cIAI
  - Randomized, open-label, pathogen-directed, phase 3 study
- Case Series from Compassionate-use<sup>2</sup>
  - Carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae or *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*
- EMA-approved indications also include:
  - Hospital-acquired pneumonia, including ventilator-associated pneumonia<sup>3,4</sup>
  - IV dose: 2.5 g (2 g ceftazidime; 0.5 g avibactam) q8h (2-h infusion)
  - Plasma-to-epithelial lining fluid penetration ~30%<sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Carmeli Y, et al. *Lancet Infect Dis*. 2016;16:661-73.  
<sup>2</sup> Tenkin E, et al. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother*. 2017;61:e01964-16.  
<sup>3</sup> Lisicio JL, et al. *Int J Antimicrob Agents*. 2015;46:260-71.  
<sup>4</sup> Nicolau D, et al. *J Antimicrob Chemother*. 2015;70:2862-9.  
<sup>5</sup> ClinicalTrials.gov: NCT01808092.

## Nosocomial Pneumonia Including VAP Phase 3, Randomized, Multicenter Study (REPROVE Study)



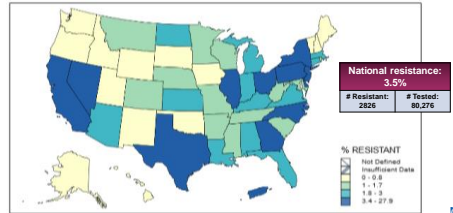
### Secondary Efficacy Endpoints

Per Pathogen Favorable Microbiological Response at TOC	Response at TOC	
	Cefazidime-Avibactam	Meropenem
<b>nMITT</b>		
<i>K. pneumoniae</i>	62.7% (37/59)	74.6% (53/71)
<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	37.9% (22/58)	38.3% (18/47)
<b>eME</b>		
<i>K. pneumoniae</i>	78.4% (29/37)	79.6% (39/49)
<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	42.9% (16/42)	40.0% (14/35)

TOC, test-of-cure; cMITT, clinically modified instent-to-treat; CE, clinically evaluable; nMITT, microbiological MITT; eME, extended microbiological evaluable

Presented at 27<sup>th</sup> ECCMID, Vienna, Austria 2017; Abstract OS0603  
Results Reported: ClinicalTrials.gov: NCT01808092

## Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae Isolates in United States Hospitals: 2011–2014



CDC Antibiotic Resistance Patient Safety Atlas. Available at: <http://gis.cdc.gov/grasp/PSAMapView.html>.



## Commonly-Acquired Carbapenem-Hydrolyzing Beta-Lactamases in Enterobacteriaceae

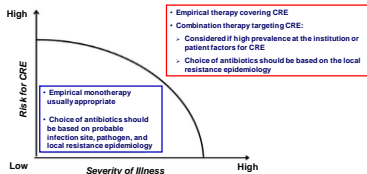
Ambler Class	Active Site	Notable Gene	Retained Beta-Lactam Susceptibility
A	Serine	KPC GES	Carbapenems (low-to-high level hydrolysis) Carbapenems (low-level hydrolysis)
B	Zinc	VIM IMP NDM	Monobactams spared
D	Serine	OXA-48 OXA-181	Penicillin (high-level hydrolysis), Carbapenems (low-level hydrolysis), Extended-Spectrum Cephalosporins

Logan LK, Weinstein RA. *Clin Infect Dis*. 2017;215 (Suppl 1):S28-S36.

## Antibiotic Treatment of Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE)

- Treatment of infections with CRE is controversial because of paucity of convincing clinical data
- Clinical evidence regarding effectiveness of different treatment regimens is principally derived from retrospective studies, case reports, or small prospective studies; no randomized clinical trials
- Choice of agents often involves:
  - Aminoglycosides
  - Beta-lactam/beta-lactamase inhibitors
  - Carbapenems
  - Fosfomycin
  - Polymyxins
  - Rifampin
  - Tetracyclines
  - Tigecycline
- Extensive use of combination therapy is under debate, as well as the optimal choice of agents when combinations are used

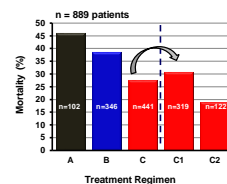
## Monotherapy vs Combination Therapy Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE) Infections



Tangden T, Gliske CG. *J Intern Med*. 2015;277:591-12.

## Outcomes of Patients Carbapenem-Resistant *Klebsiella pneumoniae*

- Patients who received "inappropriate" therapy (A) [no agent was active *in vitro*]
- Combination therapy (C) with two or more *in vitro* active agents was superior to monotherapy (B)
- Carbapenem-containing combinations (C2) resulted in significantly lower mortality rates than the carbapenem-sparing combinations (C1)



Tzouvelekis LS, et al. *Clin Microbiol Infect*. 2014;20:862-72.



## Ceftazidime-Avibactam Emergence of Resistance among Enterobacteriaceae

- First clinical case of a ceftazidime-avibactam-resistant *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, in a patient with no previous exposure<sup>1</sup>
  - Resistance due to porin mutations and the increased expression of KPC-3<sup>2</sup>
- 37 CRE-infected patients treated with ceftazidime-avibactam<sup>3</sup>
  - Clinical success was 59% (22/37) and 30-day survival was 76% (28/37)
  - CRE infections recurred within 90 days in 23% (5/22)
  - Resistance detected in 30% (3/10) of microbiologic failures
  - Development of resistance conferring bla<sub>KPC-3</sub> mutations in *K. pneumoniae* within 10 to 19 days of ceftazidime-avibactam exposure, but may be ameliorated if carbapenem susceptibility is restored<sup>4</sup>
- Surveillance studies continue to document low frequency of ceftazidime-avibactam resistance among Enterobacteriaceae isolates carrying bla<sub>KPC-3</sub><sup>5,6</sup>

1. Humphries RM, et al. AAC 2015;59:6605-7. 2. Humphries RM, et al. AAC 2017;61:doi:10.1128/AAC.00537-17.  
3. Shields RK, et al. Clin Infect Dis 2016;63:1615-9. 4. Shields RK, et al. AAC 2017;61:e02097-16.  
5. Castanheira M, et al. AAC 2017;61:e02039-16. 6. Spellberg B, Bonomo RA. Clin Infect Dis 2016;63:1619-21.

## Agents Being Developed to Treat Resistant Gram-Negative Bacteria

Agent	Related Class	Developer
Meropenem-Vaborbactam	BLBLI	The Medicines Company
Imipenem-Relebactam	BLBLI	Merck
Aztreonam-Avibactam	BLBLI	Astra-Zeneca
Cefepime-Zidebactam	BLBLI	Wockhardt
Cefiderocol	Cephalosporin	Shionogi
Plazomicin	Aminoglycoside	Achaogen
Eravacycline	Tetracycline	Tetraphase
Murepavadin (POL7080)	Macrocyclic Lipid Inhibitor	Polyphor
Sulbactam-ETX2514	BLBLI	Entasis Therapeutics

BLBLI, Beta-lactam-beta-lactamase inhibitors combinations

## Carbapenem plus Beta-Lactamase Inhibitor

- Vaborbactam (RPX7009)
  - Cyclic boronic acid-based beta-lactamase inhibitor
    - Creates a covalent bond between boron moiety and serine hydroxyl beta-lactamase
  - Good affinities for many class A and C serine beta-lactamases
    - High inhibitory potency against KPC-producing isolates
  - Currently combined with meropenem
- Relebactam (MK-7655)
  - Diazabicyclooctanone, non-beta-lactam, beta-lactamase inhibitor
  - Similar chemical structure and spectrum of activity as vaborbactam
    - Class A and C activity with minor D activity
    - Lacking activity against MBLs and most OXAs
  - Currently combined with imipenem-cilastatin

Falagas ME, et al. Expert Rev Anti-Infect Ther. 2016; 14: 747-63.  
Papp-Wallace KM, Bonomo RA. Infect Dis Clin North Am. 2016;30:441-64.  
Wong D, van Duin D. Drugs. 2017;77:615-28.

## In Vitro Activity: Meropenem-Vaborbactam

- 4,500 isolates collected from 11 hospitals in Brooklyn and Queens, NY from November 2013 to January 2014

Species (n)	Meropenem		Meropenem-Vaborbactam (4 mg/L)		Meropenem-Vaborbactam (8 mg/L)	
	MIC <sub>50</sub>	MIC <sub>90</sub>	MIC <sub>50</sub>	MIC <sub>90</sub>	MIC <sub>50</sub>	MIC <sub>90</sub>
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> (KPC+) (121)	8	64	0.06 / 4	2 / 4	0.03 / 8	0.5 / 8
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> (96)	8	32	8 / 4	32 / 4	8 / 8	32 / 8
<i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i> (98)	32	64	32 / 4	64 / 4	32 / 8	64 / 8

MIC values in mg/L.

- Addition of vaborbactam resulted in a 64- to 512-fold decrease in meropenem MIC in majority of KPC-positive isolates
- All but 2 of these isolates (98.3%) were inhibited by 1 mg/L meropenem combined with vaborbactam at 8 mg/L

Lapuebla A, et al. Antimicrob Agents Chemother. 2015;59:4856-60.

## Meropenem-Vaborbactam

A Phase 3, Multi-Center, Randomized, Double-Blind, Double-Dummy Study to Evaluate the Efficacy, Safety, Tolerability of Carbavance (Meropenem-Vaborbactam) Compared to Piperacillin-Tazobactam in the Treatment of Complicated Urinary Tract Infections, including Acute Pyelonephritis, in Adults (TANGO 1) (NCT02166476; clinicaltrials.gov)

mMITT Population	EOVIT		Microbial Eradication at TOC	
	Meropenem-Vaborbactam	Piperacillin-Tazobactam	Meropenem-Vaborbactam	Piperacillin-Tazobactam
Overall	96.4%	94.0%	68.7%	57.7%
Acute Pyelonephritis	97.5%	94.1%	74.2%	63.3%
cUTI and Removable Source	100%	92.1%	60.0%	52.6%
cUTI and Non-Removable Source	100%	95.3%	48.6%	48.8%

Similar percentage of subjects with AP (99.2% and 99.0%) and cUTI (40.8% and 41.8%)  
mMITT, Microbiological modified intent-to-treat  
EOVIT, Overall success at end of IV treatment  
TOC, Test of cure

Presented at 27<sup>th</sup> ECCMID, Vienna, Austria 2017; abstracts OS0604 and P1289.  
Falagas ME, et al. Expert Rev Anti-Infect Ther. 2016;14:747-63.

## Meropenem-Vaborbactam

- Excellent *in vitro* activity against common Enterobacteriaceae species producing serine carbapenemases at a fixed concentration of vaborbactam of 8 mg/L
- *In vitro* hollow-fiber model (simulating human exposure, 2 g meropenem / 2 g vaborbactam q8h 3-h infusion) bactericidal against KPC-producing Enterobacteriaceae
- *In vivo* efficacy in murine thigh infection model against KPC-producing isolates of *K. pneumoniae*, *E. coli*, and *E. cloacae* (MICs ranging from 50.06 to 8 µg/mL)
- Agents display identical concentration-time profiles in plasma and in ELF
- Efficacy, Safety, Tolerability of Carbavance Compared to Best Available Therapy in Serious Infections Due to Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae in Adults (TANGO 2) ongoing trial (NCT02166946; clinicaltrials.gov)
- A Study of Meropenem-Vaborbactam versus Piperacillin-Tazobactam in Participants with Hospital-Acquired and Ventilator-Associated Bacterial Pneumonia Not yet recruiting (NCT03066673; clinicaltrials.gov)

Presented at ICAAC 2014 (abstr: F-059 & F-058).  
Falagas ME, et al. Expert Rev Anti-Infect Ther. 2016;14:747-63.  
Wenzler E, et al. Antimicrob Agents Chemother. 2016;59:7232-9.  
Griffith DC, et al. Antimicrob Agents Chemother. 2016;60:6236-32.  
Castanheira M, et al. Antimicrob Agents Chemother. 2016;60:5454-8.

## In Vitro Activity of Imipenem-Relebactam

4,000 Isolates collected from 11 hospitals in Brooklyn and Queens, NY from November 2013 to January 2014

Species (n)	Imipenem		Imipenem-Relebactam	
	MIC <sub>50</sub>	MIC <sub>90</sub>	MIC <sub>50</sub>	MIC <sub>90</sub>
<i>Escherichia coli</i> (2778)	0.25	0.25	0.25 / 4	0.25 / 4
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> (891)	0.25	4	0.25 / 4	0.25 / 4
<i>bla<sub>IMP-2</sub></i> -possessing <i>K. pneumoniae</i> (111)	16	>16	0.25 / 4	1 / 4
<i>Enterobacter</i> spp. (211)	0.5	1	0.25 / 4	0.5 / 4
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> (490)	2	16	0.5 / 4	2 / 4
Imipenem-resistant <i>P. aeruginosa</i> (144)	8	>16	1 / 4	2 / 4
<i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i> (158)	4	>16	2 / 4	>16 / 4
<i>bla<sub>OXA-23</sub></i> -possessing <i>A. baumannii</i> (58)	>16	>16	>16 / 4	>16 / 4

MIC values in mg/L.

Lapuebla A, et al. Antimicrob Agents Chemother. 2015;59:5023-31.

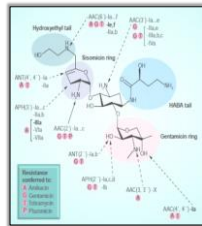
## Imipenem+Cilastatin and Relebactam (MK-7655A)

- In vivo* efficacy in murine, neutropenic, thigh infection model against imipenem-resistant *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* with OprD deficiency and expression of AmpC beta-lactamase and imipenem-resistant KPC-producing *Klebsiella pneumoniae* strains
- Phase 2 complicated intraabdominal infections trial (n=351 patients):
  - > 1:1:1 ratio in treatment groups of relebactam 250 mg, 125 mg, placebo
  - > Clinical response: 93.7%, 95.3%, 94.9% (microbiologically evaluable; n=230)
- Efficacy and Safety of Imipenem + Cilastatin / Relebactam (MK-7655A) versus Colistimethate Sodium plus Imipenem + Cilastatin in Imipenem-Resistant Bacterial Infections (RESTORE-IMI 1) Ongoing trial (NCT02452047; clinicaltrials.gov)
- Imipenem/Relebactam/Cilastatin versus Piperacillin/Tazobactam for Treatment of Participants with Bacterial Pneumonia (RESTORE-IMI 2) Ongoing trial (NCT02493764; clinicaltrials.gov)

Mavridou E, et al. Antimicrob Agents Chemother. 2015;59:790-5.  
Lucasli C, et al. Antimicrob Agents Chemother. 2016;60:6234-43.  
Falagas ME, et al. Expert Rev Anti-Infect Ther. 2016;14:747-63.

## Plazomicin (ACHN-490)

- Next-generation aminoglycoside ("neoglycoside") synthetically derived from sisomicin
- In vitro* activity against both Gram-positive and Gram-negative organisms, including isolates harboring any of the clinically relevant aminoglycoside-modifying enzymes (e.g., acetyltransferases [AAC], nucleotidyltransferases [ANT], and phosphotransferases [APH])
- Retains *in vitro* activity against aminoglycoside-resistant MDR, PDR, and XDR isolates of Enterobacteriaceae, except the New Delhi metallo-beta-lactamase (NDM) positive
- Plazomicin is not active against isolates that produce acquired 16S-RMTase



Krause KM, et al. Cold Spring Harb Perspect Med. 2016;6(6).  
Zhanell GG, et al. Expert Rev Anti Infect Ther. 2012;10:489-73.

Falagas ME, et al. Expert Rev Anti Infect Ther. 2016;14:747-63.  
Doi Y, et al. Infect Dis Clin North Am. 2016;36:523-37.

## Plazomicin

A Phase 3, Randomized, Multicenter, Double-Blind Study to Evaluate the Efficacy and Safety of Plazomicin Compared with Meropenem Followed by Optional Oral Therapy for the Treatment of Complicated Urinary Tract Infection, Including Acute Pyelonephritis, in Adults (NCT02568277; clinicaltrials.gov)

Outcome	Plazomicin	Meropenem	Difference (95% CI)
<b>Per-Patient</b>			
mMTT Population	87.4% (167/191)	72.1% (142/197)	15.4% (7.5, 23.2)
ME Population	90.5% (162/179)	76.6% (134/175)	13.9% (6.3, 21.7)
<b>Per-Pathogen (ME Population)</b>			
Enterobacteriaceae	90.3% (167/185)	77.5% (141/182)	12.8% (5.4, 20.4)
AG-non-susceptible	80.8% (42/52)	68.6% (35/51)	12.1% (-4.8, 28.7)
ESBL	83.3% (40/48)	74.6% (41/55)	8.8% (-7.5, 24.4)

Presented at the 27<sup>th</sup> ECCMID, Vienna, Austria 2017; Abstract O50250E.

## Plazomicin

A Phase 3, Multicenter, Randomized, Open-Label Study to Evaluate the Efficacy and Safety of Plazomicin Compared with Colistin in Patients with Infection Due to Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE) [CARE] (NCT01979371; clinicaltrials.gov)

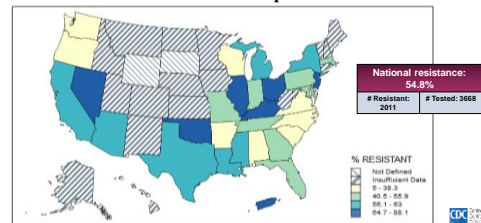
- Plazomicin in combination with meropenem or tigecycline
- Colistin in combination with meropenem or tigecycline
- Treatment of patients with bloodstream infection, hospital-acquired or ventilator-associated bacterial pneumonia or complicated urinary tract infection

	Plazomicin	Colistin	Difference (90% exact CI)	Relative Reduction
Day 28 ACM or SDRC	23.5% (4/17)	50.0% (10/20)	26.5% (-0.7, 51.2)	53.0%
Day 28 ACM	11.8% (2/17)	40.0% (8/20)	17.25% (0.7, 52.5)	70.5%

ACM, All-cause mortality  
SDRC, Significant disease-related complications

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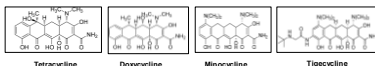
## Multidrug-Resistant *Acinetobacter* spp. Isolates in United States Hospitals: 2011–2014



CCDC Antibiotic Resistance Patient Safety Atlas. Available at: <http://gis.cdc.gov/grasp/ASAP/MapView.html>.

ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE PATIENT SAFETY ATLAS

## Tetracycline Antibiotics



- Minocycline and tigecycline are tetracycline derivatives with antibacterial activity against *Acinetobacter baumannii* clinical isolates (including MDR and XDR strains)
- Exhibit additive or synergistic bactericidal activity against isolates when combined with other antibacterials
- Concerns with high mortality and increased recurrence of bacteremia when tigecycline MIC  $\geq$  2 mg/L

Greig SL, Scott LJ. *Drugs*. 2016;76:1467-76.  
 Lashinsky JK, et al. *Infect Dis Ther*. 2017; doi: 10.1007/s40121-017-0153-2.  
 Chuang YC, et al. *BMC Infect Dis*. 2014;14:192.  
 Chung A, et al. *Crit Care Med*. 2015;43:134-394.  
 Speilburg B, Bonomo RA. *Crit Care Med*. 2015;43:1332-4.

## In Vitro Activity of Eravacycline

- Fully synthetic fluorocycline with broad-spectrum activity, including MDR Gram-positive, Gram-negative, aerobic and anaerobic organisms (reduced activity against *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* and *Burkholderia cenocepacia*)
- Active against isolates containing tetracycline-specific efflux (TetA and TetB) and ribosomal protection proteins (TetM and TetO)
- Active against Enterobacteriaceae harboring ESBLs and carbapenemases

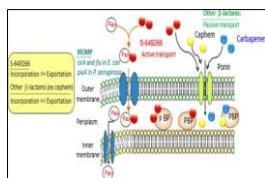
Species (n)	ESBL	bla <sub>NDM</sub>	bla <sub>OXA</sub>	Eravacycline MIC <sub>50</sub> /MIC <sub>90</sub>	Tigecycline MIC <sub>50</sub> /MIC <sub>90</sub>
<i>E. coli</i> (2,866)	13%	0.17%	-	0.12 / 0.5	4 / >16
<i>K. pneumoniae</i> (944)	33%	13%	-	0.25 / 1.0	0.5 / 2.0
<i>Enterobacter aerogenes</i> (90)	22%	3.3%	-	0.25 / 1.0	0.5 / 2.0
<i>Enterobacter cloacae</i> (124)	23%	3.2%	-	0.5 / 1.0	0.5 / 2.0
<i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i> (158)	67%	0.63%	36%	0.5 / 1.0	2.0 / 4.0

MIC values in mg/L.

Abdallah M, et al. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother*. 2015;59:1802-5.

## Cefiderocol (S-649266)

- Siderophore cephalosporin with a catechol moiety and binds mainly to PBP-3 of Gram-negative bacteria
- Catechol moiety to form a chelating complex with ferric iron
- Superior *in vitro* activity than beta-lactam comparators against ESBL-, KPC- or metallo-beta-lactamase-positive Enterobacteriaceae isolates, and both MDR *P. aeruginosa* and *A. baumannii* strains



Ho-Horiyama T, et al. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother*. 2016;60:4384-6.  
 West KN, et al. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother*. 2016;60:729-34.  
 Ro A, et al. *J Antimicrob Chemother*. 2016;71:670-7.  
 Falagas ME, et al. *Expert Rev Anti Infect Ther*. 2016;14:747-63.  
 Tillotson GS. *Infect Dis (Auckl)*. 2016;9:45-52.

## Cefiderocol (S-649266)

- Completed Trial (top-line results) (NCT02321806; ClinTrials.gov)
  - A Multicenter, Double-Blind, Randomized, Clinical Study to Assess the Efficacy and Safety of Intravenous S-649266 in Complicated Urinary Tract Infections with or without Pyelonephritis or Acute Uncomplicated Pyelonephritis Caused by Gram-Negative Pathogens in Hospitalized Adults in Comparison with Intravenous Imipenem/Cilastatin

Outcome	Cefiderocol	Imipenem-Cilastatin	Difference (95% CI)
Clinical/Microbiological	72.6% (183/252)	54.6% (65/119)	18.58% (8.23, 28.92)
Per-Patient Microbiological	73.0% (184/252)	56.3% (67/119)	17.25% (6.92, 27.58)

- Ongoing Trials:
  - Study of S-649266 or Best Available Therapy for the Treatment of Severe Infections Caused by Carbapenem-Resistant Gram-Negative Pathogens (NCT0214696; ClinTrials.gov)
  - Clinical Study of S-649266 for the Treatment of Nosocomial Pneumonia Caused by Gram-negative Pathogens (NCT0202280; ClinTrials.gov) (not yet recruiting)

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 Falagas ME, et al. *Expert Rev Anti Infect Ther*. 2016;14:747-63.

## Agents Targeting a Single MDR Pathogen

- Sulbactam - ETX2514
  - ETX2514 is a broad-spectrum and potent inhibitor of class A, C, and D beta-lactamases
  - Sulbactam is a beta-lactam agent that has intrinsic activity against *Acinetobacter baumannii* (but widespread beta-lactamase-mediated resistance to sulbactam)
- Murepavadin (POL7080)
  - Pseudomonas*-specific antibiotic, with a novel mode of action
  - Being developed for the treatment of the most severe *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* infection – nosocomial pneumonia (including VABP and HABP)

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## Antibiotic Treatment of Multidrug-Resistant Gram-Negative Organisms

- Multidrug-resistant Gram-negative bacteria have become widespread and increasing worldwide
- New agents for treatment of Gram-negative infections are promising and could help preserve and enhance our antibiotic armamentarium
- Choice of empiric therapy has become more difficult for serious infections because of antimicrobial resistance to first-line agents
- Clinicians also have the dilemma between choosing:
  - an agent that is inactive versus a broad-spectrum agent
  - monotherapy versus combination therapy
  - determining the role of adjunctive therapy