



### Presentation Outline

- Clinical and economic burden of antimicrobial resistance
- Trends in antimicrobial resistance prevalence
  - USA versus Worldwide
    - ◆ Extended-Spectrum Beta-Lactamases (ESBL)
    - ◆ Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE)
    - ◆ Multidrug-Resistant (MDR) *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*
- Growing diversity of resistance mechanisms
- Role of local / unit-based antibiograms

## Antimicrobial Resistance: What is the Cost?

### Enterobacteriaceae and Enterobacterales

A Micro-Comic, Journal of Clinical Microbiology

McAdam AJ. J Clin Microb. 2020; 58: e01888-19.

### Antibiotic Resistance Threats Report

ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE THREATS IN THE UNITED STATES  
2019

ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE THREATS IN THE UNITED STATES, 2019

<https://www.cdc.gov/drugresistance/biggest-threats.html>

### CDC's Antibiotic Resistance Threats in the United States, 2019

- Latest national death and infection estimates that underscore the continued threat of antibiotics resistance in the U.S.
- >2.8 million antibiotic-resistant infections in the U.S. each year
- More than 35,000 people die as a result
- In addition, 223,900 cases of *Clostridioides difficile* occurred in 2017 and at least 12,800 people died
- Lists 18 antibiotic-resistant bacteria and fungi into three categories (5 urgent, 11 serious, 2 concerning) based on level of concern to human health

Antibiotic Resistance Threats in the United States, 2019.  
[www.cdc.gov/DrugResistance/Biggest-Threats.html](http://www.cdc.gov/DrugResistance/Biggest-Threats.html)

### CDC Priority Lists – 2019

Urgent Threats	Serious Threats	Concerning Threats
Carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae	DR <i>Campylobacter</i>	Erythromycin-resistant group A <i>Streptococcus</i>
Carbapenem-resistant <i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i>	DR <i>Candida</i>	Clindamycin-resistant group B <i>Streptococcus</i>
<i>Candida auris</i>	ESBL-producing Enterobacteriaceae	
<i>Clostridioides difficile</i>	Vancomycin-resistant Enterococci	
Drug-resistant <i>Neisseria gonorrhoeae</i>	MDR <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	
	DR nontyphoidal <i>Salmonella</i>	
	DR <i>Salmonella</i> serotype Typhi	
	DR <i>Shigella</i>	
	MRSA	
	DR <i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i>	
	DR Tuberculosis	

**Watch List**

Azole-resistant *Aspergillus fumigatus*

MDR: Multidrug-resistant DR *Mycoplasma genitalium*

DR *Bordetella pertussis*

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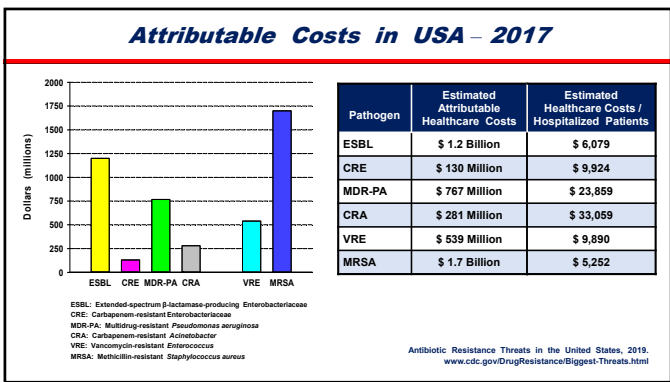
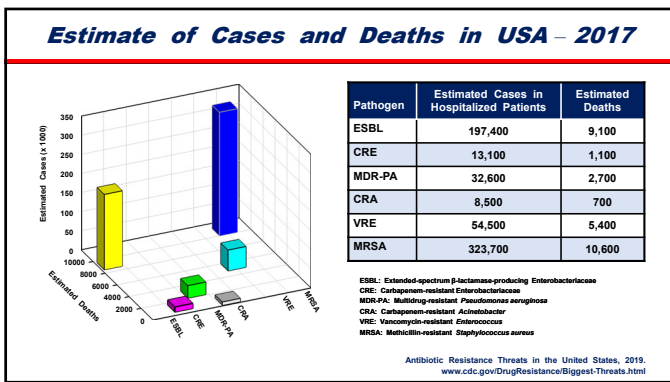
### CDC's Antibiotic Resistance Threats in the United States, 2019

- Like the 2013 report, the 2019 report assesses threats according to seven factors:
  - Clinical impact
  - Economic impact (when available)
  - Incidence
  - 10-year projection of incidence
  - Transmissibility
  - Availability of effective antibiotics
  - Barriers of prevention

**?** Name the three germs that had their ranking shifted since the 2013 report?

- Carbapenem-resistant *A. baumannii*
  - Moved to Urgent Threat
- Candida auris*
  - Added as an Urgent Threat
- Vancomycin-resistant *S. aureus*
  - Removed as a threat

Antibiotic Resistance Threats in the United States, 2019. [www.cdc.gov/DrugResistance/Biggest-Threats.html](http://www.cdc.gov/DrugResistance/Biggest-Threats.html)

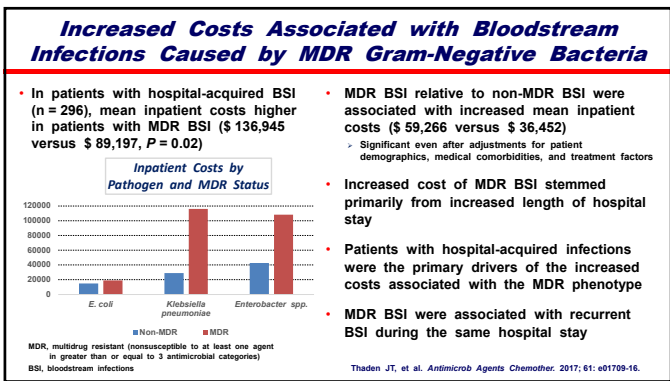


### Bloodstream Infections Caused by Multidrug-Resistant Gram-Negative Bacteria

- 891 patients with monomicrobial MDR BSI at Duke University
  - 292 patients (33%) had BSI due to MDR pathogens and more likely to have:
    - History of transplant (19% versus 13%;  $P = 0.02$ )
    - 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%)

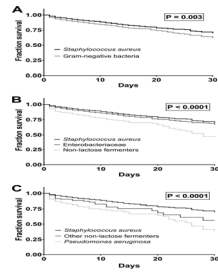
MDR, multidrug resistant (nonsusceptible to at least one agent in greater than or equal to 3 antimicrobial categories)  
BSI, bloodstream infections

Thaden JT, et al. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother.* 2017; 61: e01709-16.



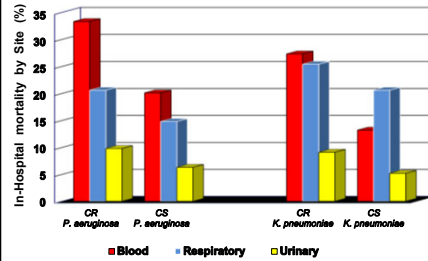
### Increased Mortality Associated with Bloodstream Infections Caused by *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*

- 2,659 patients with bloodstream infections (BSI)
  - 999 (38%) *Staphylococcus aureus* (51% MRSA)
  - 1,660 (62%) Gram-negative bacteria
    - ◊ 81% Enterobacteriaceae
    - ◊ 16% Non-lactose-fermenting
- Cohort study using unadjusted time-to-mortality
- *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* BSI was associated with increased mortality relative to other Gram-negative or *Staphylococcus aureus* BSI
- This effect persisted after adjustments for patient, bacterial, and treatment factors



Thaden JT, et al. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother.* 2017; 61: e02671-16.

### In-Hospital Mortality by Each Site Carbapenem-Resistant (CR) vs -Susceptible (CS) Infections



- Patients with CR pathogens were more likely to receive more than 1 systemic antibiotic
- Patients with pathogens from the blood and respiratory were more likely to receive 2 or more antibiotics
- Fewer different antibiotic combinations were used to treat patients with CS versus CR infections

Cal B, et al. *Open Forum Infect Dis.* 2017; 4: ofx176.

### Increased Mortality, Length of Stay, and Costs Inappropriate Empiric Treatment of CRE

- Retrospective cohort study among 40,137 patients presenting to the hospital with Enterobacteriaceae infections (UTI >50%, pneumonia, sepsis); 1227 (3.1%) were carbapenem-resistant (CRE)
- Patients with CRE tended to be slightly younger, more likely African-American than non-CRE patients
- Chronic and acute illness (by day 2: ICU and mechanical ventilation) burden were higher among CRE patients
- CRE patients were 3x more likely to receive inappropriate empiric treatment (IET)
- IET was associated with an adjusted mortality rate of 12% and an excess length of stay of 5.2 days and \$ 10,312 in costs

Zilberberg MD, et al. *BMC Infect Dis.* 2017; 17: 278.



### The Prevalence of Gram-Negative Resistance: United States and Globally

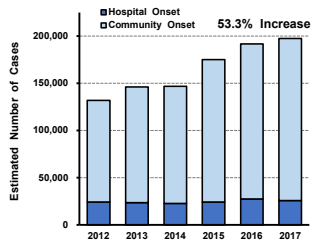
### United States Estimates of Multidrug-Resistant Bacterial Infections Associated with Healthcare



- New analysis methods to provide more robust national burden estimates and allow tracking of recent incidence trends
- Used 3 electronic health databases to calculate national burden estimates:
  - Premier Healthcare Database
  - Cerner Health Facts
  - BD Insights Research Database
- Served as the basis for the updated CDC report "Antibiotic Resistant Threats in the United States, 2019"

Jernigan JA, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2020; 382: 1309-19. <https://www.cdc.gov/drugresistance/biggest-threats.html>

### ESBL-Producing Enterobacteriaceae United States Hospitalized Patients, 2012 - 2017



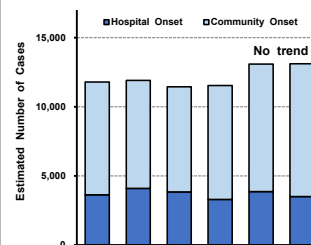
- Emergence of *E. coli* clonal group ST131
  - Enhanced virulence characteristics
  - Colonize for longer periods of time
  - Strongly associated with ESBL phenotype
- Greater proportion of cases likely result from community-based transmission



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- Increase in incidence was from 37.55 to 57.12 cases per 10,000 hospitalizations

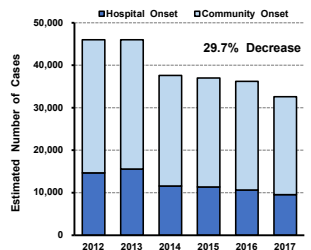
### Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae United States Hospitalized Patients, 2012 - 2017



- No significant change in the incidence, from 3.36 to 3.79 cases per 10,000 hospitalizations
- Proportion of healthcare-associated Enterobacteriaceae resistant to carbapenems decreased sharply in the United States between 2007 and 2012
- Reductions subsequently plateaued and remained at low, stable levels since 2012
- Further progress may be needed in high-risk populations and better regional surveillance and prevention activities

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### MDR Pseudomonas aeruginosa United States Hospitalized Patients, 2012 - 2017



- Decrease in incidence was from 13.10 to 9.43 cases per 10,000 hospitalizations
- Decreases in incidence are very likely attributable to a change in transmission in health care settings rather than in the community
- MDR *P. aeruginosa* are identified almost exclusively among patients with substantial health care exposure
- Appear to be rarely acquired in the community

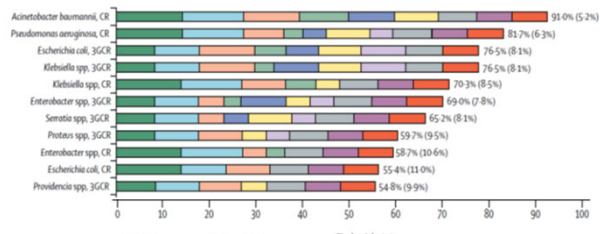
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### WHO Priority Pathogen List for R&D of New Antibiotics

- 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 multi-drug resistant bacteria

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

### WHO Priority List Final Ranking of Antibiotic-Resistant Bacteria



Taccarelli E, et al. *Lancet Infect Dis*. 2018; 18(3): 303-327.

### 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

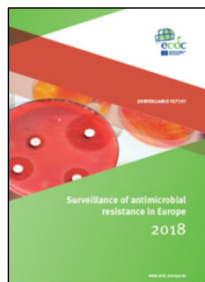
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<http://www.who.int/mediacentre/news/releases/2017/bacteria-antibiotics-needed/en/>



Which geographic region has had the highest increase in the prevalence rate of carbapenem-resistant *Klebsiella pneumoniae* during the past 20 years ?

1. Latin America
2. Asia – Pacific
3. Northern Europe
4. North America

### Annual Report of the European Antimicrobial Resistance Surveillance Network (EARS-Net)

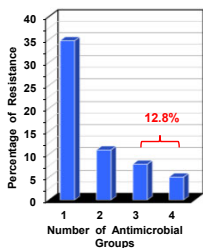


- Based on antimicrobial resistance data from invasive isolates reported to EARS-Net by 30 European Union (EU) and European Economic Area (EEA) countries in 2019 (data referring to 2018)
- Trend analyses of data reported by the participating countries for the period 2015 to 2018
- For most Gram-negative bacterial species–antimicrobial group combinations, changes in resistance percentages between 2015 and 2018 were moderate, and resistance remained at previously reported high levels

<https://www.ecdc.europa.eu>  
European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control, Surveillance of Antimicrobial Resistance in Europe 2018. Stockholm: ECDC; 2019.

### Escherichia coli

#### Surveillance of Antimicrobial Resistance in Europe



- 58.3% of isolates were resistant to at least one of the antimicrobial groups
- Population-weighted mean resistance percentage:
  - > 57.4% - Aminopenicillins
  - > 25.3% - Fluoroquinolones
  - > 15.1% - 3<sup>rd</sup>-Generation Cephalosporins
  - > 11.1% - Aminoglycosides
  - > Rare - Carbapenems
- Large inter-country variations
- Higher resistance reported from southern and eastern Europe than northern Europe



Percentage of Invasive Isolates with Combined Resistance to 3<sup>rd</sup> GC, FQ, and AG  
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### Resistance to 3<sup>rd</sup>-Generation Cephalosporins

#### Survey on Epidemiological Situation in Europe, July 2018

#### Escherichia coli



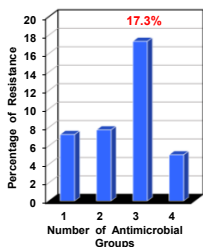
#### Klebsiella pneumoniae



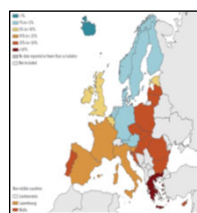
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### Klebsiella pneumoniae

#### Surveillance of Antimicrobial Resistance in Europe



- 37.2% of isolates were resistant to at least one of the antimicrobial groups
- Population-weighted mean resistance percentage:
  - > 31.7% - 3<sup>rd</sup>-Generation Cephalosporins
  - > 31.6% - Fluoroquinolones
  - > 22.7% - Aminoglycosides
  - > 7.5% - Carbapenems
- Between 2015 and 2018, significantly increasing trends in population-weighted mean percentages of fluoroquinolone and carbapenem resistance

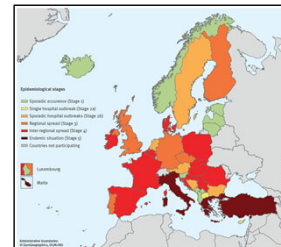


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### Carbapenemase-Producing Enterobacteriaceae

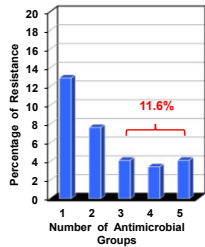
#### Survey on Epidemiological Situation in Europe, July 2018

- CPE in healthcare systems in Europe disseminated further between 2015 and 2018
- In 2018, 20 of 37 countries reported inter-institutional spread of CPE within the country (epidemiological stages 3 - 5)
- Compared to 2015, 11 countries reported a worsened epidemiological situation
- The general situation for carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE), including *E. coli*, worsened in many EU/EEA countries between 2010 and 2018
- Reports of the occurrence of CR *E. coli* in several bordering non-EU/EEA countries

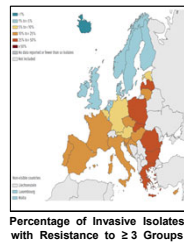


Brolund A, et al. Euro Surveill. 2019;24(9):pii=1900123.  
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### *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* Surveillance of Antimicrobial Resistance in Europe

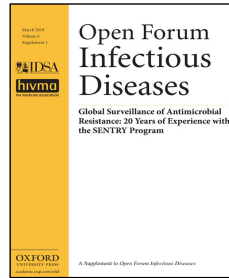


- 32.1% of isolates were resistant to at least one of the antimicrobial groups
- Population-weighted mean resistance percentage:
  - > 19.7% - Fluoroquinolones
  - > 18.3% - Piperacillin-Tazobactam
  - > 17.2% - Carbapenems
  - > 14.1% - Ceftazidime
  - > 11.8% - Aminoglycosides
- Large inter-country variations
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Percentage of Invasive Isolates with Resistance to  $\geq 3$  Groups  
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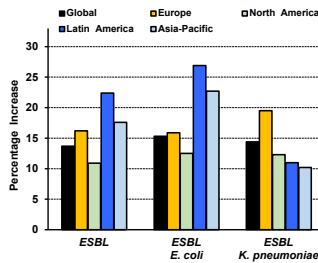
### Global Surveillance of Antimicrobial Resistance



- The SENTRY Antimicrobial Surveillance Program (SENTRY Program) was designed to track AMR trends and the spectrum of microbial pathogens across various infection types on a global scale
- SENTRY Program monitors both nosocomial and community-onset infections on a global scale and uses validated reference identification and susceptibility testing methods via a central monitoring laboratory model (JMI Laboratories)
- The SENTRY Program originated from the recommendations of the American Society for Microbiology (ASM) Task Force on Antimicrobial Resistance that convened in 1994

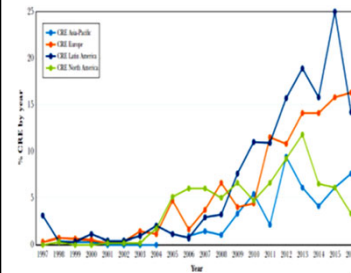
### ESBL-Producing Enterobacteriaceae 20-Year SENTRY Program, 1997 - 2016

- 178,825 Enterobacteriaceae isolates, 18.0% species displayed ESBL phenotype (CLSI criteria)
- 10.3% in 1997-2000 compared to 24.0% in 2013-2016
- Greatest increase in ESBL-phenotype rate was in Latin America followed by Asia-Pacific, Europe, and USA
- ESBL-phenotype were mainly *E. coli* (47.5%) and *K. pneumoniae* (43.7%); respective occurrence increased from 3.3% to 15.8% and 7.1% to 19.4% when 1997-2000 was compared to 2013-2016



Castanheira M, et al. *Open Forum Infect Dis.* 2019; 6 (Suppl 1): S23-S33.

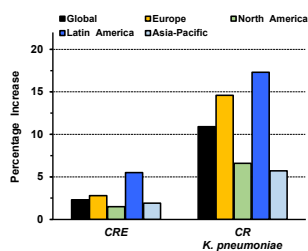
### Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae 20-Year SENTRY Program, 1997 - 2016



- CRE prevalence in North America, rates increased from 1.7% to 5.1% from 2004 to 2005; rates stayed above 5% until 2016
- An increase in CRE prevalence among European countries was noted in 2005, with rates constantly above 5% after 2007
- CRE rates in Asia-Pacific and Latin America were above 5% after 2010 and 2008, respectively

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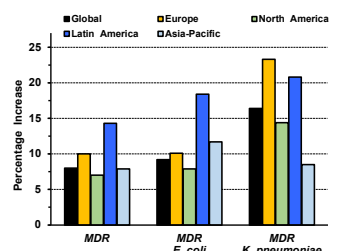
### Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae 20-Year SENTRY Program, 1997 - 2016



- CRE rates increased from 0.6% in 1997-2000 to 2.9% in 2013-2016
- A remarkable increase (5.6%) noted in Latin America compared to 1.5%, 1.9%, and 2.8% for North America, Asia-Pacific, and Europe, respectively
- Carbapenem-resistant *K. pneumoniae* (CR-KPN) main driver (71.1% of CRE isolates)
- CR-KPN increased varied among regions, and were higher in Latin America, followed by Europe

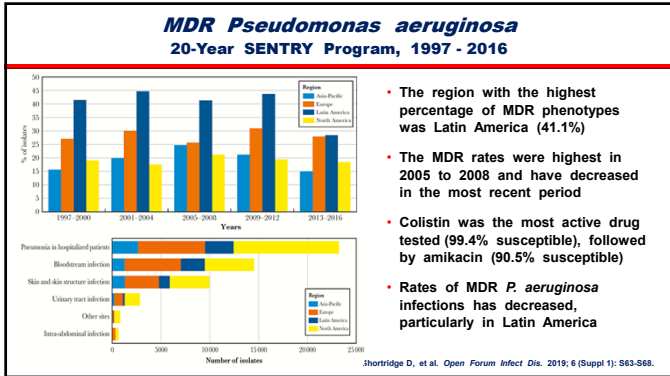
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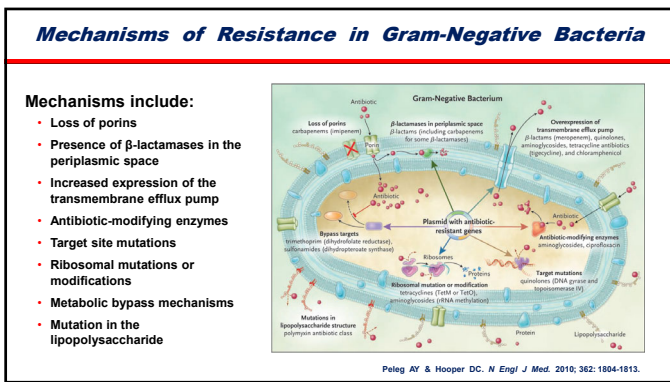


- MDR rates significantly increased from 7.3% to 15.3% in 1997-2000 compared to 2013-2016
- Variability was observed among different regions and infection sources
- Most common MDR species were *K. pneumoniae* (35.2%), *E. coli* (30.2%), *E. cloacae* (9.7%), *P. mirabilis* (6.3%), and *S. marcescens* (5.3%)
- MDR rates significantly increased over time for *K. pneumoniae* (16.4%↑) and *E. coli* (9.2%↑)

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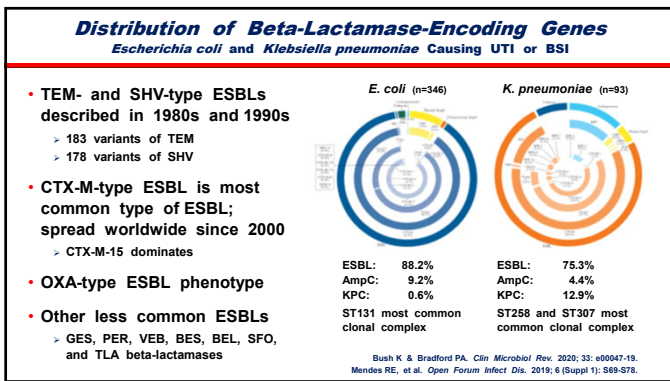
## Common Resistance Mechanisms Used by Gram-negative Bacteria



### Beta-Lactamase Classifications

Ambler class; catalytic site (spectrum)	Bush-Jacoby-Medeiros group; catalytic site (spectrum)	Substrates	Inhibited by	Examples
A: serine (variable)	Za: serine (penicillinases)	Penicillins	Clavulanate, avibactam and other newer inhibitors	Penicillinases from Gram-positive bacteria
	Zb: serine (penicillinases)	Penicillins and narrow-spectrum cephalosporins	Clavulanate, avibactam and other newer inhibitors	TEM-1, TEM-2 and SHV-1
	Zbe: serine (ESBL)	Penicillins and cephalosporins, including extended-spectrum	Clavulanate, avibactam and other newer inhibitors	SHV-2, TEM-10, CTX-M and GES-1
	Zbr: serine (inhibitor-resistant)	Penicillins	Avibactam and other newer inhibitors	TEM-30 and SHV-72
	Zc: serine (penicillinases)	Penicillins and carbenicillin	Clavulanate, avibactam and other newer inhibitors	PSE (CARB)
	Zf: serine (carbapenemases)	Penicillins, cephalosporins and carbapenems	Avibactam and other newer inhibitors	KPC, SME, NMC-A and GES-2
B: metallo (carbapenemase)	3: metallo (carbapenemases)	Most $\beta$ -lactams, including carbapenems, but not monobactams	Chelating agents (EDTA) and AN141	BMP, VIM and NDM
C: serine (cephalosporinases)	1: serine (cephalosporinases)	Penicillins and cephalosporins	Clavulanate, avibactam and other newer inhibitors	Chromosomal AmpC, CMV, ACT-1 and DHA
D: serine (oxacillinases)	Zd: serine (oxacillinases)	Penicillins and cloxacillins; some include cephalosporins and/or carbapenems	Sodium chloride; some by clavulanate, avibactam and other newer inhibitors	OXA-1/30, OXA-10, OXA-23 and OXA-48

Bush K & Bradford PA. *Nat Rev Microbiol.* 2019; 17: 295-306.

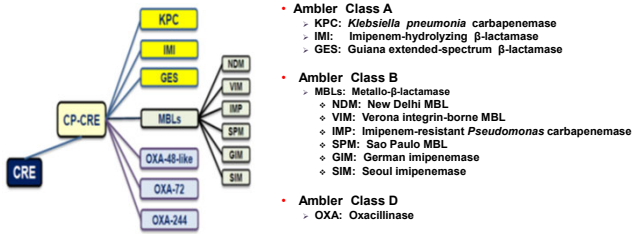


### Carbapenem Resistance Terminology

Carbapenem-Specific Terms	Definitions
CRE	Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacterales ( <i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> , <i>Escherichia coli</i> , <i>Enterobacter cloacae</i> )
CRO	Carbapenem-Resistant Organisms (Enterobacteriaceae plus <i>Pseudomonas</i> and <i>Acinetobacter</i> )
CPE (CP-CRE)	Carbapenemase-Producing Enterobacterales
CPO (CP-CRO)	Carbapenemase-Producing Organisms

Livermore DM, et al. *Clin Infect Dis.* 2020; doi:10.1093/cid/ciaa122. [Epub ahead of print]

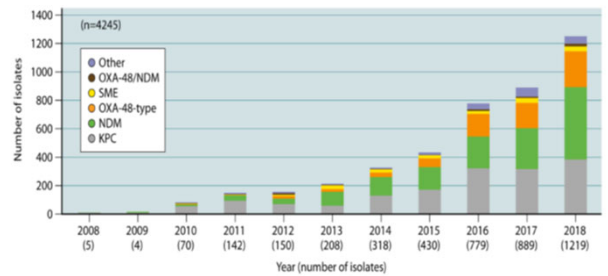
## Carbapenemase-Producing-CRE



- **Ambler Class A**
  - KPC: *Klebsiella pneumoniae* carbapenemase
  - IMI: Imipenem-hydrolyzing  $\beta$ -lactamase
  - GES: Guiana extended-spectrum  $\beta$ -lactamase
- **Ambler Class B**
  - MBLs: Metallo- $\beta$ -lactamase
    - ◊ NDM: New Delhi MBL
    - ◊ VIM: Verona integrin-borne MBL
    - ◊ IMP: Imipenem-resistant *Pseudomonas* carbapenemase
    - ◊ SPM: Sao Paulo MBL
    - ◊ GIM: German imipenemase
    - ◊ SIM: Seoul imipenemase
- **Ambler Class D**
  - OXA: Oxacillinase

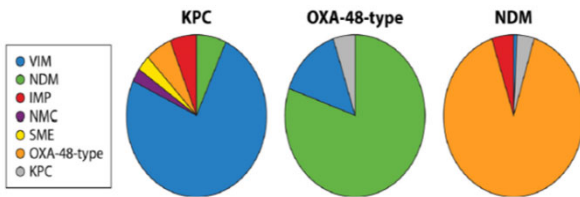
Suay-Garcia B and Perez-Gracia MT. *Antibiotics*. 2019; 8: 112.

## Carbapenemase-Producing Enterobacteriales in Canada



Bush K & Bradford PA. *Clin Microbiol Rev*. 2020; 33: e00047-19.

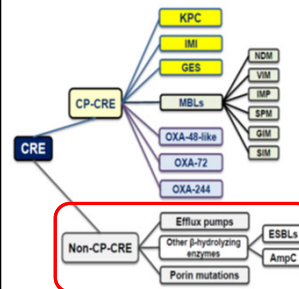
## Co-Production of Carbapenemases in Same Gram-Negative Organism\*



\* Excluding *Acinetobacter* spp.

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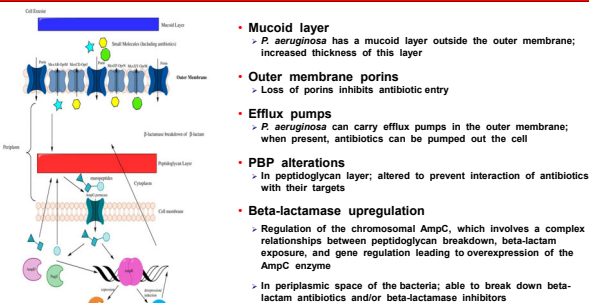
## Non-Carbapenemase-Producing-CRE



- **Efflux pumps**
- **Other beta-lactamases:**
  - ESBLs: Extended-spectrum  $\beta$ -lactamases
  - AmpC: Ampicillinase
- **Porin mutations**

Suay-Garcia B and Perez-Gracia MT. *Antibiotics*. 2019; 8: 112.

## Resistance Mechanisms in *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*



- **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 the outer membrane; when present, antibiotics can be pumped out the cell
- **PBP alterations**
  - In peptidoglycan layer; altered to prevent interaction of antibiotics with their targets
- **Beta-lactamase upregulation**
  - Regulation of the chromosomal AmpC, which involves a complex relationships between peptidoglycan breakdown, beta-lactam exposure, and gene regulation leading to 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: 1020-1029.

**Understanding the Value of Antibigrams in Guiding Empiric Antimicrobial Selection**



## Antibiograms

- Microbiology laboratories are essential to stewardship programs by ensuring quality specimen collection, appropriate testing, implementation of rapid diagnostics, antimicrobial susceptibility testing, and data analysis
- Antibiograms summarize the proportion of organisms that are susceptible to specific antimicrobials during a specific period of time, usually annually
- Antibiograms are often used by stewardship programs to:
  - make formulary decisions
  - develop guidelines for empiric therapy
  - monitor local resistance rates over time

Avdic E, Carroll KC. Infect Dis Clin N Am. 2014; 28: 215-235.

## Types of Antibiogram

- Antibiograms stratification by location (eg., ICU vs non-ICU)
- Antibiograms stratified by:
  - Population age group (eg., pediatrics)
  - Infection site (eg., blood or respiratory vs all sources)
  - Patient comorbidities (eg., cystic fibrosis)
  - Acquisition in the community versus healthcare setting
- Combination antibiograms
- Syndrome-specific antibiograms
- Use of antibiograms in constructing empiric regimen in patients with prolonged hospital stays

Avdic E, Carroll KC. Infect Dis Clin N Am. 2014; 28: 215-235. Barlam TF, et al. Clin Infect Dis. 2016; 62: e61-e76.

## CLSI Guidelines for Antibiograms

- Data should include:
  - only species with at least 30 isolates
  - diagnostic isolates only (not surveillance)
  - first isolate per patient in the period analyzed
  - results only for drugs that are routinely tested
- Data should be stratified by:
  - patient population (inpatients, outpatients)
  - location (ICU, wards)
  - specimens types (all, blood, urine)
- Antibiograms should be generated at least annually

Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute (CLSI). 4<sup>th</sup> ed. CLSI Document M39-A4, 2014. Avdic E, Carroll KC. Infect Dis Clin N Am. 2014; 28: 215-235.

## Breakpoint Updates for Colistin and Polymyxin B



CLSI has revised colistin and polymyxin B breakpoints for several Gram-negative bacteria. What minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC) value will categorize *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* as "resistant"?

1.  $\geq 1$  mg/L
2.  $\geq 2$  mg/L
3.  $\geq 4$  mg/L
4.  $\geq 16$  mg/L

## CLSI Revised Breakpoints for Polymyxins

Organism	Colistin and Polymyxin B MIC (mg/L)		
	Susceptible	Intermediate	Resistant
<b>Revised CLSI – June 2019</b>			
<i>Acinetobacter</i> spp.		$\leq 2$	$\geq 4$
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>		$\leq 2$	$\geq 4$
Enterobacteriaceae		$\leq 2$	$\geq 4$

Suggested warnings/comments added to colistin / polymyxin B breakpoints:

1. Clinical and PK/PD data demonstrated this agent is of limited clinical efficacy;
2. If available, alternative [non-polymyxin] agents are strongly preferred; if these agents are not available, this breakpoint presumes use of colistin in combination with 1 or more additional, active antimicrobial;
3. Colistin should be given with a loading dose and maximum renally adjusted dose;
4. When given systemically, this drug is unlikely to be effective for pneumonia

CLSI. Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute

Satlin MJ, et al. Clin Infect Dis. 2020; doi: 10.1093/cid/ciaa121. [Epub ahead of print]

**USCAST Susceptibility Breakpoints for Polymyxins Against *P. aeruginosa*, *A. baumannii*, and Enterobacteriaceae**

Polymyxin	MIC Breakpoint (mg/L)		Disk Content
	Susceptible	Resistant	
Colistin <sup>1,2</sup> <i>(no breakpoint for respiratory tract infections)</i>	≤ 2	≥ 4	10 µg
Polymyxin B <sup>1,3</sup> <i>(no breakpoint for respiratory tract or lower urinary tract infections)</i>	≤ 2	≥ 4	300 units

1. Use only broth microdilution methods (disk diffusion unreliable). Colistin susceptibility results can infer susceptibility to polymyxin B at ≤ 2 mg/L or vice versa for listed species, but not *S. maltophilia*;  
2. Colistin dosing based on EMA package insert or dosing algorithm by Nation et al.;  
3. Polymyxin B dosing 2.5 mg/kg/day, with renal adjustments;  
4. Polymyxin therapies should be combined with a second active agent, whenever possible

USCAST, United States Committee on Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing  
Pogue JM, et al. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother.* 2020; 64: e01495-19.

- Colistin and Polymyxin B**
- Assumed an important role as “salvage therapy” for otherwise untreatable Gram-negative infections
  - Emerging pharmacokinetic-pharmacodynamic data indicate the 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.* 2016; 36: 34-42.  
Kassamali Z, Danziger L. *Pharmacother.* 2016; 36: 17-21.  
Paul M, et al. *Lancet Infect Dis.* 2018; 18: 391-400.

- Summary**
- Infections caused by resistant pathogens are associated with serious health and economic adverse outcomes
  - Trends in antimicrobial resistance prevalence are geographical distinct and pathogen specific
  - Gram-negative bacterial species continue to develop diverse mechanisms of resistance that are diverse and with geographic preferences for specific variants
  - Antibiograms remain a useful tool for antimicrobial stewardship strategies



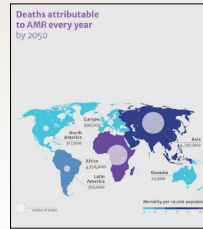
- Case Study**
- A 51-year-old man with T1DM underwent simultaneous pancreas and kidney transplantation after being maintained on peritoneal dialysis for 4 years
  - Transplant procedure was uncomplicated; cefazolin was administered for prophylaxis
  - Immediate evidence of acceptable renal allograft was observed and patient was transferred to surgical ICU
    - Induction immunosuppression included anti-thymocyte globulin, mycophenolate mofetil, tacrolimus, and methylprednisolone
  - Patient was transferred to regular inpatient medical unit on postoperative day (POD) 2
- Patel G, Perez F, Bonomo RA, et al. *Transplant Infect Dis.* 2016;17:289-296.

- Case Study (cont'd)**
- On POD 4, patient experiences hypothermia (34.9°C), tachycardia (115 bpm), hypotension (90/60 mm Hg), and leukopenia (1700 WBC/mm<sup>3</sup>)
    - During the day, patient complains of weakness and remains hypothermic, tachycardic, and hypotensive
  - Patient is transferred to surgical ICU and examination reveals the abdomen is distended
  - Blood and urine cultures are obtained and patient is started empirically on vancomycin and piperacillin/tazobactam
- Patel G, Perez F, Bonomo RA, et al. *Transplant Infect Dis.* 2016;17:289-296.

## Case Study – Points to Consider

- What are the patient's risk factors for a MDR infection?
- What additional diagnostic tests should be performed?
- What tools are available to help guide antimicrobial therapy?

## By 2050, increases in antimicrobial resistance (AMR) will be responsible for **300 million deaths**



### ANTIMICROBIAL RESISTANCE: TACKLING A CRISIS FOR THE HEALTH AND WEALTH OF NATIONS

By setting out the full magnitude of the potential human and economic costs of rising drug resistance, this paper demonstrates that there is a clear global imperative to take this threat seriously and start finding solutions, not least as action taken now could dramatically reduce both the enormous financial and human impact of resistant infections in the future.

**Total GDP Loss  
100.2 Trillion USD**

Review on Antimicrobial Resistance. Antimicrobial Resistance: Tackling a crisis for the health and wealth of nations. Retrieved from [https://amr-review.org/files/defaultfiles/AMR%20Review%20Paper%20-%20Tackling%20a%20crisis%20for%20the%20health%20of%20nations\\_1.pdf](https://amr-review.org/files/defaultfiles/AMR%20Review%20Paper%20-%20Tackling%20a%20crisis%20for%20the%20health%20of%20nations_1.pdf)

## Clinical Impact of Antimicrobial Resistance: ESBL Production and Mortality

### Impact of ESBL production on mortality in Enterobacteriaceae bacteremia

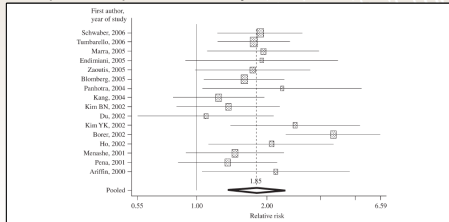
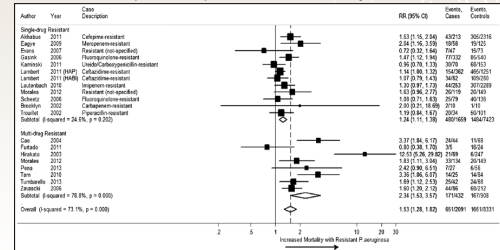


Figure 1. Meta-analysis of mortality in ESBL-producing versus non-ESBL-producing Enterobacteriaceae bacteremia. Forest plot summary of the unadjusted results of the 16 studies included in the meta-analysis. The relative risk (RR) and 95% confidence intervals (CI) are shown for each study. The pooled RR, represented by the diamond at the bottom of the figure, is 1.85 (95% CI, 1.39–2.47,  $P < 0.0001$ ). There was significant heterogeneity among the study results ( $I^2 = 0.001$ ).

Schwaber MJ, Carmeli Y. *J Antimicrob Chemother.* 2007;60:913–920.

## Clinical Impact of Antimicrobial Resistance: Carbapenem Resistance by *Pseudomonas*

### Impact of carbapenem resistance on mortality in *Pseudomonas* Infection

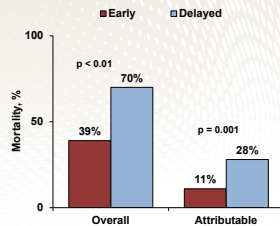


Clinical outcomes driven by:  
1. Patient factors  
2. Timing of optimal appropriate therapy

Nathwani D, et al. *Antimicrob Resist Infect Control.* 2014;3:32.

## Early Appropriate Therapy is Essential in Reducing Mortality

- 107 patients with ventilator-associated pneumonia (VAP)
- Mean time from diagnosis of VAP to initiation of appropriate therapy was:
  - 28.6 hr in delayed group
  - 12.5 hr in early group



Iregui M, et al. *Chest.* 2002;122:262-268.

## Inappropriate Initial Antibiotic: A Key Predictor of Mortality

Analysis of 364 consecutive patients with respiratory failure and pneumonia from a single institution (January 2016 to December 2016)

Variables	aOR	95% CI	P Value
Age (1-point increments)	1.05	1.03 – 1.07	0.032
Male gender	3.67	2.02 – 6.67	0.030
APACHE II Score (1-point)	1.14	1.09 – 1.19	0.003
Shock	10.69	5.21 – 21.93	0.001
Inappropriate initial antibiotic	5.28	2.72 – 10.22	0.012

Fisher K, et al. *Surg Infect (Larchmt).* 2017;18:827-33.

## Strategies to Improve Early, Appropriate Initial Therapy

- Use of antibiograms
- Identify risk factors for MDR infection
- Rapid molecular diagnostics
- Pathogen-specific therapy

## Risk Factors for Antimicrobial-Resistant Infection

- Recent prior antimicrobial therapy (within previous 90 days)
- Current hospitalization for prolonged period
- Immunosuppressive therapy
- Residence in nursing home or LTCF
- Chronic dialysis within previous month
- Receipt of medical care in high-risk country
- Transfer from post-acute care facility
- Use of invasive devices

Cercoo E, et al. *Microb Drug Resist*. 2016;22:412-431.  
 Simmer P.J, et al. *Open Forum Infect Dis*. 2018;5(5):ofy094.

## Rapid Diagnostics: Genotype or Phenotype

- Prompt identification of antimicrobial-resistant pathogens is critical for initiating optimal antimicrobial therapy and infection control measures
- Rapid diagnostics can quickly determine antimicrobial susceptibility (AST) or identify specific resistance mechanisms (genotypic tests)
  - **Advantages of genotypic testing:** Results typically within 2 hr, conclusive identification of resistance genes, test directly from specimens without need to culture
  - **Disadvantages of genotypic testing:** Detection is limited to only those genes/enzymes queried by primers or probes (can miss unique/ novel resistance mechanisms)

## Novel Approaches to Hasten Detection of Pathogens and Antimicrobial Resistance in the Intensive Care Unit

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### Patient Goals

- Optimize survival
- Reduce hospital stay
- Prevent unnecessary drug toxicity
- Reduce medical costs
- Improve functional status and quality of life

### Stewardship Goals

- Avoid resistance emergence
- Prevent colonization and infection with MDROs
- Prevent *C. difficile* infection
- Contain and/or prevent outbreaks of MDRO infections
- Reduce overall healthcare exposure and expenditures

Guillamet MCV, et al. *Semin Respir Crit Care Med*. 2019;40:454-464.

## Rapid Diagnostics for Genotypic Testing

Technology	Examples	Pathogen/Resistance Detection	Turnaround Time	Clinical Considerations
Real time PCR	Xpert® MRSA/SA BC	MRSA, MSSA, mecA/C	≤ 2 hr	• Prompt differentiation between MRSA and MSSA
	BD Max™ MRSA Staph SRXT	MRSA, MSSA, mecA/C	≤ 2 hr	
Multiplex PCR	Biofire Filmarray® BC	GPB, GNB, <i>Candida</i> spp., mecA, vanA/B, KPC	≤ 2 hr	• Comprehensive number of targets • Not Gram-stain dependent
	Verigene® BC-GP	GPB, mecA, vanA/B	2.5 hr	
	Verigene® BC-GN	GNB, CTX-M, IMP, KPC, NDM, OXA, VIM	2 hr	
	Curetis Unyvero™ BCU	GPB, GNB, fungal panel, mycobacteria, 16 resistance genes	4 hr	
MALDI-TOF MS	Scubate IC GPC	GPC, mecA, vanA, vanB	4-5hr	• Many false negatives for <i>S. pneumoniae</i>
	bioMérieux VITEK® MS	Database for bacteria, fungi, mycobacteria, molds	<2 hr	
PNA-FISH	Advantx QuickFISH®	GPB, GNB, <i>Candida</i> spp.	<2 hr	• Limited target detection • Rapid phenotypic AST

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## Framework for Managing Antimicrobial Treatment in Critically Ill Patients

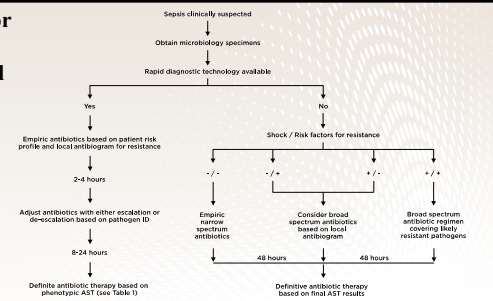
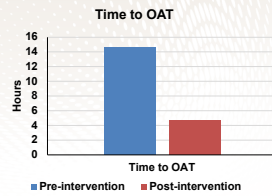


Fig 2. A framework for managing antibiotic treatment in critically ill patients and including a pathway for the integration of rapid diagnostic technologies.

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## Rapid Diagnostics Reduces the Time to Optimal Antimicrobial Treatment

- Compared timing of optimal antimicrobial treatment (OAT) for bloodstream infections pre- and post-intervention (use of Bio-Fire® FilmArray® blood culture identification) in ICU patients
  - Matched 110 patients
    - In post-intervention period, rapid diagnostic testing resulted in:
      - Treatment adjustment in 31.8% (35/110) of patients
        - Resulted in OAT (26 patients)
        - Resulted in tailoring following subsequent identification and AST results (9 patients)
    - Patient outcomes were not reported



Verroken A, et al. PLoS ONE. 2019;14(9):e0223122.

## Use of a BAL Rapid Diagnostic Test for MRSA: Less Anti-MRSA Treatment and Lower Mortality

Comparison of outcomes with use of BAL rapid diagnostic test (Cepheid Xpert® platform) for MRSA vs. usual care in patients with suspected MRSA pneumonia

TABLE 5 | Outcomes in RCT

Outcome	RPCR Group (n = 22)	Usual Care (n = 23)	P
Initial anti-MRSA treatment, h <sup>a</sup>	32 (22-48)	72 (50-113)	<.001
28-d total anti-MRSA treatment, h <sup>a</sup>	46 (24-73)	122 (66-219)	<.001
Duration of mechanical ventilation, h <sup>b</sup>	132 (54-209)	158 (44-464)	.44
ICU length of stay, d <sup>c</sup>	6 (5-14)	8 (6-26)	.19
Hospital length of stay, d <sup>b</sup>	15 (10-24)	29 (12-44)	.07
Any adverse event, No. (%)	13 (59.1)	17 (73.9)	.29
Acute renal failure	4 (18.2)	5 (21.7)	1.00
Thrombocytopenia	5 (22.7)	6 (26.1)	.79
Nosocomial infection	8 (36.4)	12 (52.2)	.29
In-hospital mortality	3 (13.6)	9 (39.1)	.05

RPCR, rapid automated PCR; Pasaredda JR, et al. Chest. 2019;155:999-1007.

## Newer Antimicrobials to Support Pathogen-Specific Therapy

## Newer Antimicrobials Targeting MDR Gram-negative Pathogens

### Beta-lactam/beta-lactamase inhibitors

- Ceftolozane-tazobactam
- Ceftazidime-avibactam
- Meropenem-vaborbactam
- Imipenem-relebactam

### Others

- Eravacycline
- Plazomicin
- Cefiderocol

## Ceftolozane-Tazobactam

- New cephalosporin plus an older beta-lactamase inhibitor
- Activity against ESBL-producing Enterobacteriaceae, MDR *P. aeruginosa*
- Indications:
  - Complicated UTIs plus pyelonephritis and complicated intra-abdominal infections (dosed 1.5 g q8h via IV infusion over 1 hour)
  - Hospital-acquired bacterial pneumonia/ventilator-associated bacterial pneumonia (HABP/VABP) (dosed 3 g q8h via IV infusion over 1 hour)

## Ceftolozane-Tazobactam Against Antimicrobial-Resistant *P. aeruginosa*

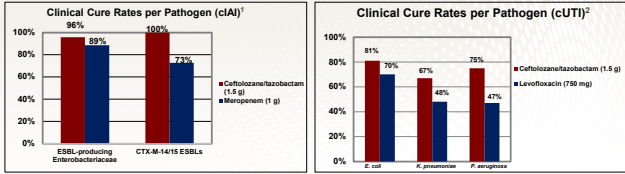
Ceftolozane-tazobactam susceptibility patterns of 3851 *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* isolates from United States hospitals (PACTS, 2012-2015):

	% 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 ceftipime, 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: Clinical Trial Results

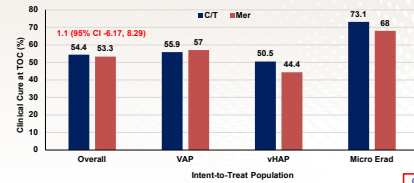
- Novel cephalosporin in combination with a  $\beta$ -lactamase inhibitor with broad-spectrum activity
- Ceftolozane stable in the presence of the 3 chromosomal mechanisms of resistance in *P. aeruginosa*



<sup>1</sup>Solomkin J, et al. *Clin Infect Dis*. 2015;60:1462-1471.  
<sup>2</sup>Wagenlehner FM, et al. *Lancet*. 2015;385:1949-1956.

## Ceftolozane-Tazobactam for Nosocomial Pneumonia (ASPECT-NP)

- Randomized controlled, double-blind phase III, non-inferiority trial comparing ceftolozane-tazobactam (3 g q8h) vs. meropenem (1 g q8h) for treatment of nosocomial pneumonia
- All patients were ventilated



Kollef MH, et al. *Lancet Infect Dis*. 2019;19:1299-1311.

Conclusions:  
 • Non-inferior in all patient populations

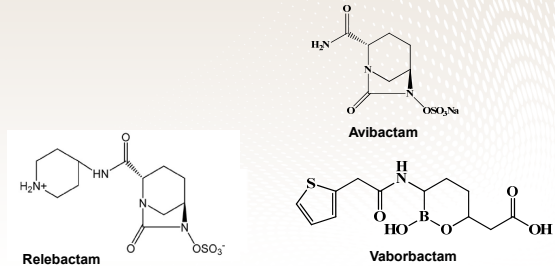
## ASPECT-NP: Clinical Cure by Pathogen

### Clinical Cure in Microbiologically Evaluable Population

Pathogen	C/T n/N (%)	MER n/N (%)	% Treatment Difference (95% CI)
Overall	85/113 (75.2)	78/117 (66.7)	8.6 (-3.19, 19.94)
Enterobacteriaceae	62/83 (74.7)	59/90 (65.4)	10.3 (-3.50, 23.36)
ESBL+ Enterobacteriaceae	33/45 (73.3)	27/39 (69.2)	4.1 (-14.75, 23.06)
<i>E. coli</i>	17/23 (73.9)	16/23 (69.9)	4.3 (-20.86, 28.86)
ESBL+ <i>E. coli</i>	8/12 (66.7)	5/7 (71.4)	-4.8 (-39.06, 35.78)
<i>K. pneumoniae</i>	32/42 (76.2)	33/48 (68.8)	7.4 (-11.12, 24.91)
ESBL+ <i>K. pneumoniae</i>	22/30 (73.3)	19/27 (70.4)	3.0 (-19.53, 25.57)
<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	23/29 (79.3)	28/38 (73.7)	5.6 (-15.40, 24.70)
MDR <i>P. aeruginosa</i>	9/11 (81.8)	4/6 (66.7)	15.2 (-22.67, 54.07)
<i>H. influenzae</i>	11/12 (91.7)	4/8 (50.0)	41.7 (2.39, 70.96)

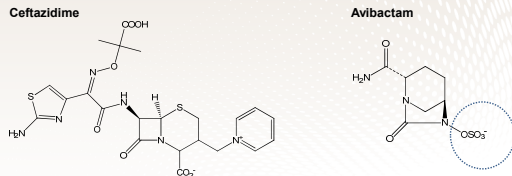
Martin-Loeches I, et al. Poster presented at ECCMID, Abstract #00302.

## A Step Forward: Preserving the $\beta$ -Lactam Promise – The “new generation of BLI”



## Ceftazidime/Avibactam

- Older cephalosporin with new beta-lactamase inhibitor
- Avibactam resembles portions of the cephem bicyclic ring system



- Approved for complicated IAI, complicated UTI including pyelonephritis, and HAP/VABP
- Dosing: 2.5 g q8h IV infusion over 2 hours

## New $\beta$ -Lactamase Inhibitors: a Therapeutic Renaissance in an MDR World

Sarah M. Drawz,<sup>1</sup> Kristina M. Papp-Wallace,<sup>2,3</sup> Robert A. Bonomo,<sup>4</sup> Against *Kp* KPC, AVI Improves the activity of taz (~4x MIC reduction).

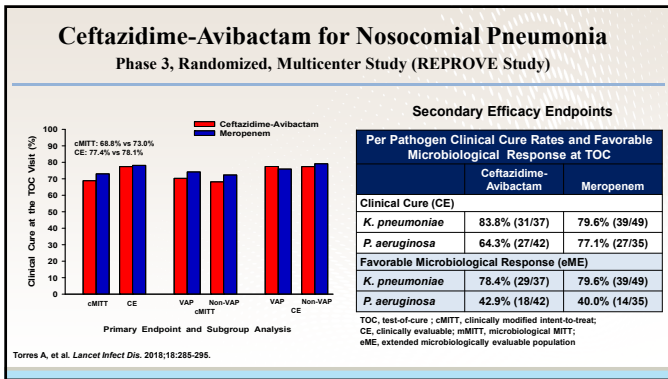
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TABLE 1 MICs of  $\beta$ -lactam and  $\beta$ -lactam-avibactam combinations against select pathogens\*

Pathogen	MIC (agg/mg) <sup>†</sup>	CAZ	CAZ-AVI	CPT	CPT-AVI	ATM	ATM-AVI
<i>E. pneumoniae</i> with OXA-48	256/512	0.25/0.5					
<i>E. pneumoniae</i> with CTX-M-15	8/64	0.06/0.25					
<i>E. pneumoniae</i> with KPC-2	9512/9512	8.2/51				9512/9512	<0.001/0.006
<i>E. coli</i> with ESBL	16/64	0.12/0.25					
<i>E. coli</i> with Amp <sup>C</sup>	16/64	0.12/0.5					
<i>E. coli</i> with OXA-48	4	<0.008					
<i>E. coli</i> with BLP-1	256	64		>64/64	0.5/2		
Enterobacteriaceae with multiple $\beta$ -lactamases, including KPC-2				>64/64	0.5/2		
Enterobacteriaceae with multiple $\beta$ -lactamases, including Amp <sup>C</sup>				256/256	0.5/2		
Enterobacteriaceae with VIM	64-512	64-512				0.25-256	0.12-0.5
<i>P. aeruginosa</i> with ESBL PER-1	8/64	4/8		>64/64	16/32	16/32	8/32
<i>A. baumannii</i>	128/128	4/16		>64/64	32/32		
<i>A. baumannii</i> with PER-1, OXA-51, and OXA-58	128/9512	32/256					
<i>S. aureus</i>				1/2	1/2		

\*Data were adapted from references 15, 16, 18, 20, 31, and 38. Avibactam was added at 4 mg/ml. Abbreviations: CAZ, ceftazidime; AVI, avibactam; CPT, ceftipime; ATM, amoxicillin.

<sup>†</sup>Concentrations measured by a standard disk indicate 50%–100% values. Arrows indicate that values were not reported.



### Ceftolozane-Tazobactam and Ceftazidime-Avibactam Against MDR *P. aeruginosa*

Number of isolates (cumulative %) inhibited at an MIC of:

	≤ 0.25	0.5	1	2	4	8	16	32	>32
Ceftazidime/Avibactam		1 (0.3)	4 (1.5)	45 (15.2)	87 (45.1)	100 (71.8)	54 (87.9)	17 (93)	23 (100)
Ceftolozane/Tazobactam			22 (39.4)	47 (88.6)	51 (85.1)	29 (85.1)	8 (89.7)	4 (92)	14 (100)

*P. aeruginosa* resistant to ceftazidime, meropenem, & piperacillin-tazobactam

Red box = MICs  
Sader HS, et al. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother.* 2015;59:3658-3659.  
Farrell DJ, et al. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother.* 2013;57:6305-6310.

**If AVI is biochemically better than other inhibitors, should there be a clinical correlate? "Real world" applications**

Colistin Versus Ceftazidime-Avibactam in the Treatment of Infections Due to Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae

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### CRACKLE-I Study

- 137 patients met criteria; 38 patients were treated first with ceftazidime-avibactam and 99 with colistin.
- BSI (n=63, 46%) > PNA (n=30, 22%).
- No isolates had *bla*<sub>NDM</sub>, *bla*<sub>VIM</sub>, *bla*<sub>IMP</sub> or *bla*<sub>OXA-48</sub>.
- ST258A (18/54, 33%) and ST258B (23/54, 43%) were the most commonly encountered clades of CRKP

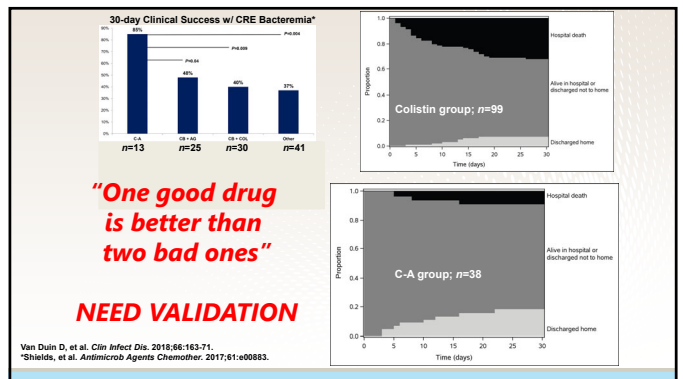
Consortium on Resistance Against Carbapenems in Klebsiella and other Enterobacteriaceae (CRACKLE), a prospective, multicenter, observational study.

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### CRACKLE-I Study: Conclusions

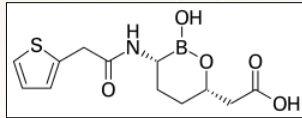
- In patients treated with TAZ AVI vs. colistin all-cause hospital mortality at 30-days after starting treatment was 9% vs 32%
- Thus.....In this prospective, observational, multi-center cohort, all-cause propensity adjusted mortality was decreased in patients with CRE infections started on ceftazidime/avibactam vs. colistin (absolute risk reduction 23% [95% CI 9%-35%], p=0.0012).

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## Meropenem/Vaborbactam

- Older carbapenem with new beta-lactamase inhibitor
- Indication: complicated UTI including pyelonephritis
- Dosing: 4 g q8h via IV infusion over 3 hours



## TANGO I Study

### JAMA | Original Investigation Effect of Meropenem-Vaborbactam vs Piperacillin-Tazobactam on Clinical Cure or Improvement and Microbial Eradication in Complicated Urinary Tract Infection: The TANGO I Randomized Clinical Trial

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- Phase 3, MC, MN, RCT (TANGO I) conducted 11/ 2014 to 4/ 2016
- Patients (≥18 years) with c UTI, stratified by infection type and geographic region

## TANGO I Results

For the FDA primary end point, overall success occurred in 189 of 192 (98.4%) with meropenem-vaborbactam vs 171 of 182 (94.0%) with piperacillin-tazobactam (difference, 4.5% [95% CI, 0.7% to 9.1%];  $P < .001$  for noninferiority).

**How do you translate these studies to CREs? MDROs?**

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### ORIGINAL RESEARCH

### Effect and Safety of Meropenem-Vaborbactam versus Best-Available Therapy in Patients with Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae Infections: The TANGO II Randomized Clinical Trial

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**Monotherapy with M/V for CRE infection was associated with increased clinical cure, decreased mortality, and reduced nephrotoxicity compared with BAT.**

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### INVITED ARTICLE

REVIEWS OF ANTI-INFECTION AGENTS: Louis D. Saravolatz, Section Editor



### Ceftazidime/Avibactam, Meropenem/Vaborbactam, or Both? Clinical and Formulary Considerations

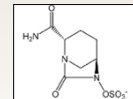
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**Table 1. In Vitro Activity of Ceftazidime/Avibactam and Meropenem/Vaborbactam Against Problematic Gram-negative Pathogens**

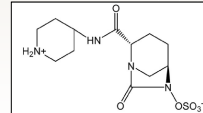
Organism	Resistance Present	Ceftazidime/Avibactam	Meropenem/Vaborbactam
<b>Enterobacteriaceae</b>			
ESBL		+++	+++
AmpC		+++	+++
KPC		+++	+++
MBL		–	+
OXA-48-like		+++	+
<b>Acinetobacter baumannii</b>			
Carbapenem-resistant		–	–
<b>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</b>			
Carbapenem-resistant		++	–
Penβ-lactam resistant		+	–
<b>Stenotrophomonas maltophilia</b>			
Ceftazidime-resistant		–	–

## Imipenem-Cilastatin-Relebactam

### Avibactam



### Relebactam



### Relebactam

- A novel diazabicyclooctane β-lactamase inhibitor
- Potent inhibitor of KPCs
- Restores activity of imipenem against *P. aeruginosa*

### Imipenem-Cilastatin-Relebactam

- FDA approved in July 2019 based on clinical trials for cIAI<sup>1</sup> and cUTI<sup>2</sup>
- Dosing: 1.25 g q6h via IV infusion over 30 minutes

<sup>1</sup>Lucasti C, et al. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother*. 2016;60:6234-6243.  
<sup>2</sup>Sims M, et al. *J Antimicrob Chemother*. 2017;72:2616-2626.



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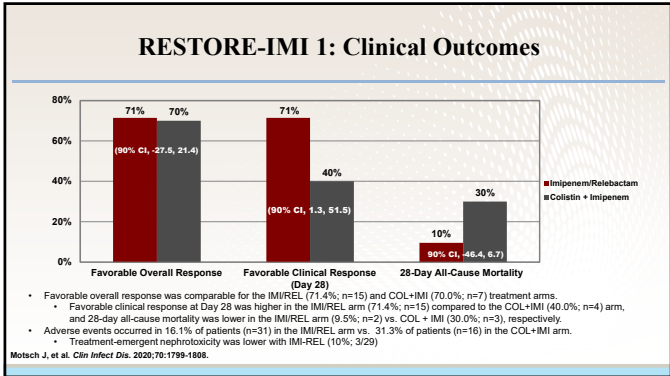
**RESTORE-IMI 1: A Multicenter, Randomized, Double-blind Trial Comparing Efficacy and Safety of Imipenem/Relebactam vs Colistin Plus Imipenem in Patients With Imipenem-nonsusceptible Bacterial Infections**

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- Multicenter, randomized, DB, comparator-controlled trial: IMI/REL vs COL+IMI in pts with imi-non-susceptible bacterial infections.
- Patients with HABP/VABP, cIAI, or cUTI caused by one or more imi-non-susceptible (but Colistin- and IMI/REL susceptible) pathogens, were randomized 2:1 to receive IMI/REL or COL+IMI in a double-blind fashion.
- Study duration was 5-21 days for cUTI and cIAI; 7-21 days for HABP/VABP.

Motsch J, et al. *Clin Infect Dis*. 2020;70:1799-1808.



### Other Newer Antimicrobials

Agent	Class	Indications	In Vitro Activity
Plazomicin	Semi-synthetic aminoglycoside	cUTI including pyelonephritis	Aminoglycoside-resistant, MDR, PDR, XDR Enterobacteriaceae (but not NDM)
Eravacycline	Novel fluorocycline	cIAI	Broad-spectrum including MDR Gram-positive and Gram-negative, anaerobes, CRE, <i>A. baumannii</i> , some colistin-resistant bacteria (reduced activity against <i>P. aeruginosa</i> )
Cefiderocol	Siderophore cephalosporin	cUTI including pyelonephritis	ESBL, KPC, and MBL Enterobacteriaceae, MDR <i>P. aeruginosa</i> , <i>A. baumannii</i>

### Activity of Newer Agents vs. Problematic Organisms/Resistance Mechanisms

	CR-Pa	CR-Acineto	ESBL-Eb	KPC-Eb	Metallo-BL	OXA-48-Eb
Ceftolozane-Tazobactam	+	-	+/-	-	-	?
Ceftazidime-Avibactam	+	-	+	+	-	+
Meropenem-Vaborbactam	-	-	+	+	-	-
Imipenem-Relebactam	+	-	+	+	-	-
Cefiderocol	+	+	+	+	+	+
Plazomicin	-	-	+	+	*	*
Eravacycline	-	+/-	+	+	+/-	+/-

\*Resistance due to presence of 16rRNA methyltransferases in many of these organisms

- Jacobs MR, et al. *IDWeek 2108 Poster 1348*.
- Livermore DM, et al. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother*. 2016;60:3840.
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- ### What Do I Do in Clinical Practice?
- ESBL-producers
  - CRE
  - MDR *P. aeruginosa*

- ### Conclusions
- Though MDR Gram-negative bacteria present challenges, there are tools available to help select appropriate initial therapy
    - Rapid diagnostics
    - Newer antimicrobials that can potentially overcome resistance mechanisms
  - With the expansion of the antimicrobial armamentarium, clinicians have a greater ability to utilize a pathogen-specific approach in antimicrobial selection