

SUPER BUGS!

HOW TO TREAT THE WORST OF THE WORST INFECTIOUS PATHOGENS!

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Learning Objectives – Pharmacists

- Discuss the importance of appropriate antibiotic use to prevent multi-drug resistant pathogens
- Review culture & sensitivity reports
- Describe appropriate treatment regimens for KPC, CRE, ESBL, etc.
- Identify the coverage spectrum of newer antibiotic agents which can be utilized for multi-drug resistant pathogens

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Learning Objectives – Technicians

- Discuss the importance of appropriate antibiotic use to prevent multi-drug resistant pathogens
- Recognize new antibiotic agents being used

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Pre-Test Question 1

Which of the following combinations is the appropriate treatment for NMD-1 Carbapenemase-Producing Enterobacteriaceae? SELECT ALL THAT APPLY

- a. Piperacillin/Tazobactam
- b. Tigecycline + Amikacin + Colistin
- c. Amoxicillin/Clavulanic Acid
- d. Vancomycin
- e. Ceftolozane/Tazobactam

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Pre-Test Question 2

Which of the following is the first line treatment for ESBL E. Coli infections?

- a. Carbapenems
- b. Fosfomycin
- c. Piperacillin/Tazobactam
- d. Amoxicillin/Clavulanic Acid

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Pre-Test Question 3

Which of the following is considered first line treatment for hospital acquired MRSA infections?

- a. Daptomycin
- b. Linezolid
- c. Clindamycin
- d. Vancomycin

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Pre-Test Question 4

Which of the following medications can be used for clostridium difficile infections?

- a. IV Vancomycin
- b. Oral Vancomycin
- c. IV Zosyn
- d. Oral Augmentin

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Infection

Invasion of an organism's body tissues by disease-causing agents, their multiplication, and the reaction of host tissues to these organisms/toxins.



Caused by viruses, prions, bacteria, parasites, fungi, ticks, mites, insects, etc.



The host's immune system will usually provide protection against invasive organisms, which may lead to biological changes within the body (i.e. temperature increase, increased WBC, etc.)

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HOW CAN INFECTIONS BE TRANSMITTED FROM PERSON TO PERSON?

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WHAT ARE SOME THINGS THAT CAN BE DONE TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF INFECTION?

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Definitions

Empiric Therapy

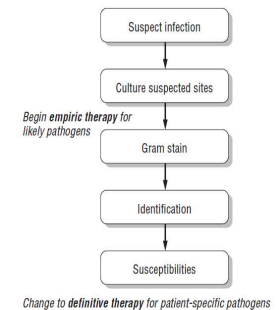
Infecting organism(s) not yet identified

More "broad spectrum"

Definitive Therapy

Organism(s) identified and specific therapy chosen

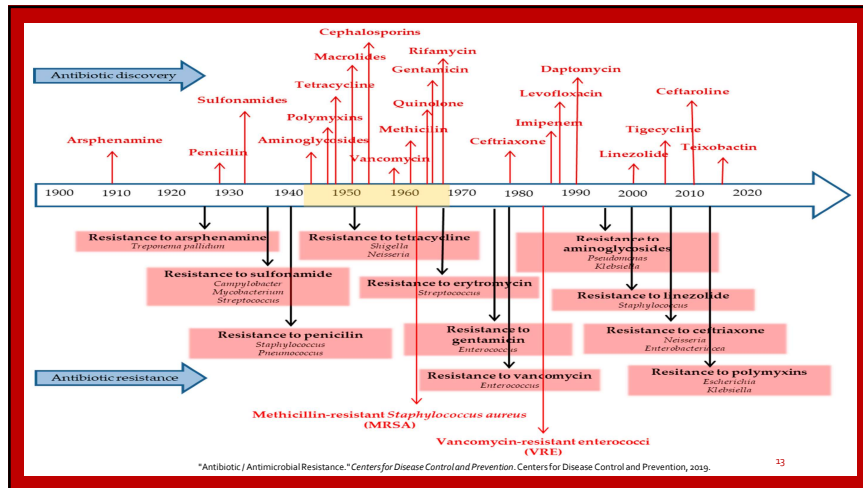
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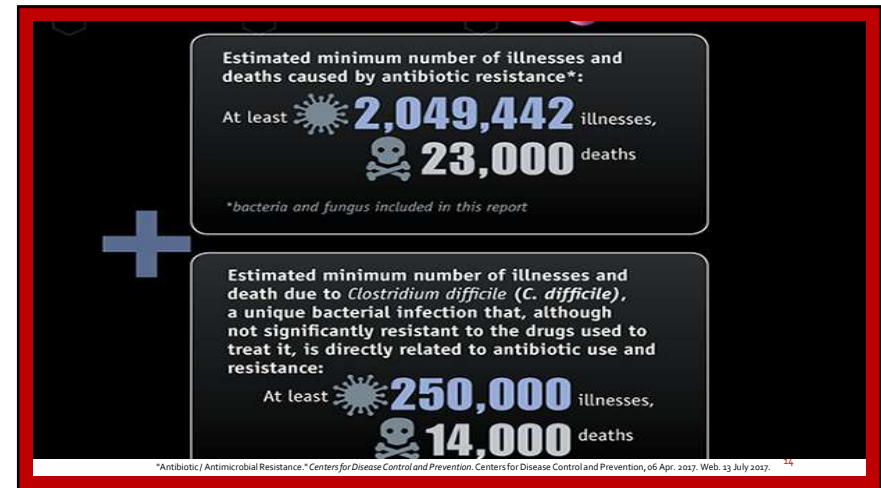
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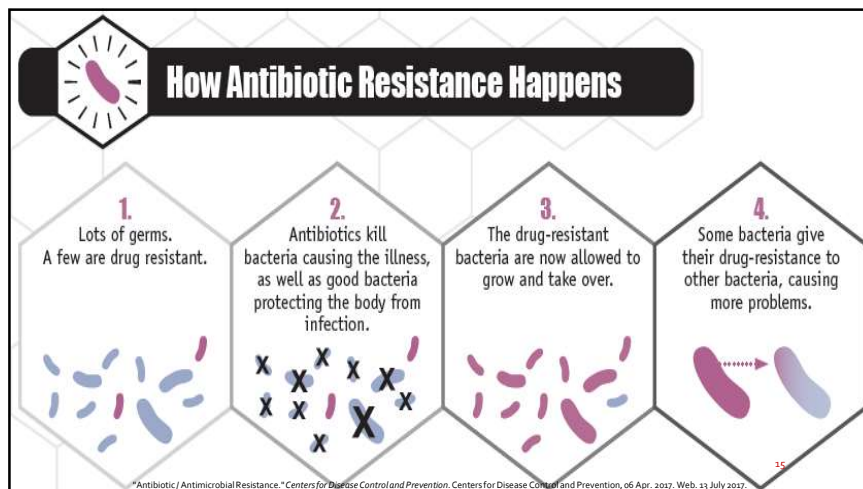
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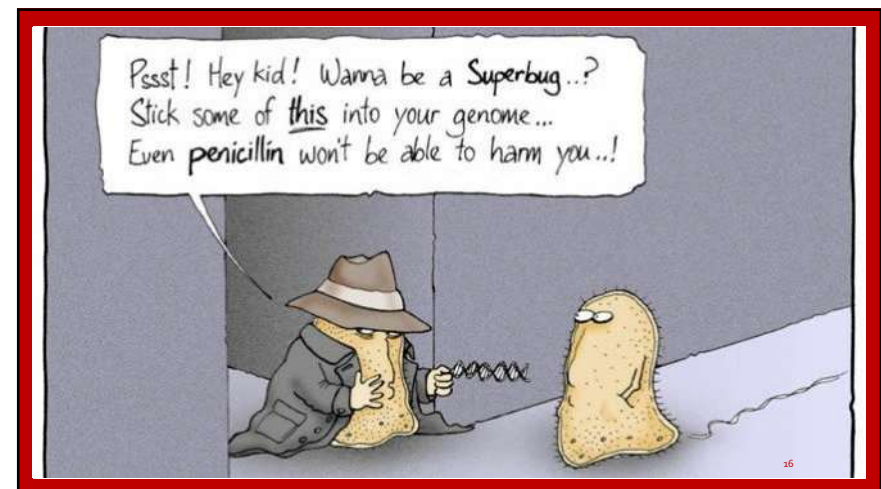
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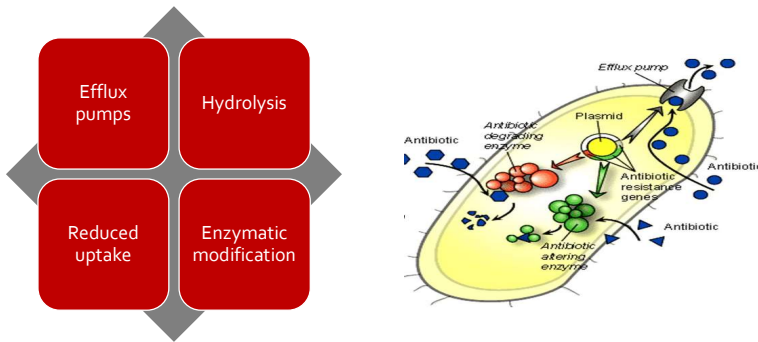


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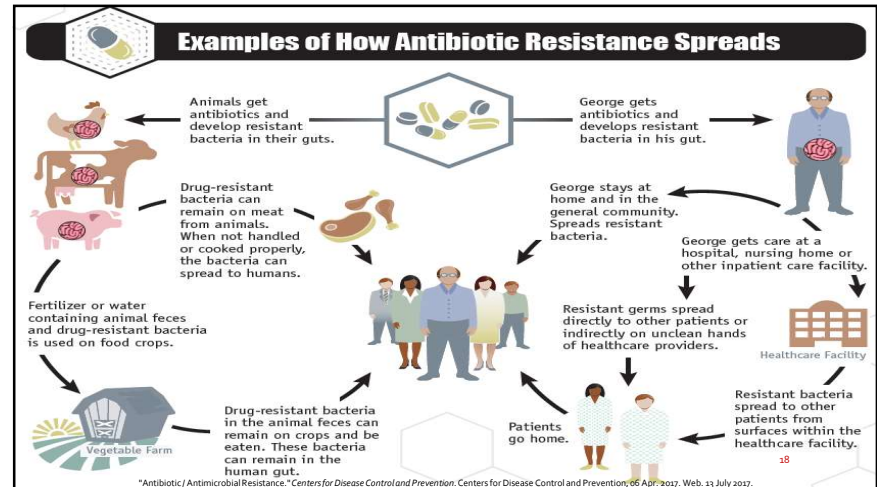
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Pharmacist's Role

Education!

- Only use when antibiotics are prescribed by physician
- Always take full prescription even if patient feels better
 - Never use left over antibiotics
 - Never share antibiotics

Appropriate Antimicrobial Stewardship

- Assist physicians in selecting appropriate antibiotics
 - Avoid antibiotics for viral/fungal infections

Avoid inappropriate use of antibiotics

- Recommend narrow spectrum antibiotics after cultures are completed
 - Avoid duplicate coverage unless needed
 - Utilize hospital specific antibiograms

CDC. Active Bacterial Core Surveillance Methodology (2012). <http://www.cdc.gov/abcs/index.html> [Accessed 5/23/2013]

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Susceptibility Testing

MIC = minimum inhibitory concentration

- Minimum concentration required to stop bacterial growth

Breakpoint = MIC cutoff for susceptibility

- MIC below breakpoint → susceptible
- MIC above breakpoint → resistant
- Determined by CLSI or EUCAST based on in vitro testing and physiologically achievable concentrations at usual doses

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Susceptibility Report

S = susceptible

- Reasonable to expect efficacy

I = intermediate

- Activity likely insufficient
- In some cases may have some efficacy at maximum doses
- "Susceptible-dose dependent" (S-DD)

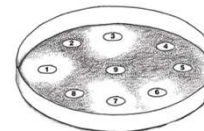
R = resistant

- No clinically useful activity
- In multidrug resistant organisms, may still have a role for synergy

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Cultures



With antibacterials 1, 3, 6 & 7, the bacteria show a sensitivity to an antibiotic. The bacteria are resistant to medications 2, 4, 5, 8 & 9.

Examples of Antibiotic Susceptibility Breakpoints

Organism	Susceptible	Intermediate	Resistant
<i>E. coli</i>			
Cefepime	≤ 8 mcg/ml	16 mcg/ml	≥ 32 mcg/ml
Levofloxacin	≤ 2 mcg/ml	4 mcg/ml	≥ 8 mcg/ml
Trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole	≤ 2/38 mcg/ml	—	≥ 4/76 mcg/ml
<i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i>			
Cefepime (meningitis)	≤ 0.5 mcg/ml	1 mcg/ml	≥ 2 mcg/ml
(Non-meningitis)	≤ 1 mcg/ml	2 mcg/ml	≥ 4 mcg/ml
Levofloxacin	≤ 2 mcg/ml	4 mcg/ml	≥ 8 mcg/ml
Trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole	≤ 0.5/9.5 mcg/ml	1-2/19-38 mcg/ml	≥ 4/76 mcg/ml

Colony count greater than 100,000 CFU/ml Escherichia coli (ESBL) *****ISOLATION PRECAUTIONS ARE RECOMMENDED*****

Drug	MIC	Interpretation
Amikacin	<=2	S
Ampicillin	>=32	R
Ampicilbactam	4	S
Aztreonam	4	S
Cefasolin	>=64	R
Cefepime	2	S
Ceftazidime	32	R
Ciprofloxacin	>=4	R
Ertapenem	<=0.5	S
Gentamicin	<=1	S
Meropenem	<=0.25	S
Mitrofurantoin	<=16	S
Piperacillin	<=4	S
Tobramycin	<=1	S
Trimethoprim	<=20	S

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Assessment

Drug	MIC	Breakpoint	Interpretation
Amikacin	2	4	
Ampicillin	32	16	
Aztreonam	4	2	

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Aztreonam	4	2	R

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ESKAPE/ESCAPE

E	• Enterococcus faecium
S	• Staphylococcus aureus
K or C	• Klebsiella pneumoniae • Clostridium difficile
A	• Acinetobacter spp
P	• Pseudomonas aeruginosa
E	• Enterobacter spp • Enterobacteriaceae

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Big Threats

Urgent	• Clostridium difficile (Cdiff) • Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE) • Neisseria gonorrhoeae
Severe	• Multidrug-Resistant Acinetobacter • Drug-Resistant Campylobacter • Fluconazole-Resistant Candida • Extended Spectrum Enterobacteriaceae (ESBL) • Vancomycin-Resistant Enterococcus (VRE) • Multidrug-Resistant Pseudomonas Aeruginosa • Drug-Resistant Non-Typhoidal Salmonella • Drug-Resistant Salmonella Serotype Typhi • Drug-Resistant Shigella • Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus (MRSA) • Drug-Resistant Streptococcus Pneumoniae • Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis
Concerning	• Vancomycin-Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus (VRSA) • Erythromycin-Resistant Group A Streptococcus • Clindamycin-Resistant Group B Streptococcus

Big Threats. Big Threats - CDC, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, n.d. Web.

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Threat		Change in Rates or Number of Infections***			
		2020 vs. 2019	2021 vs. 2020	2022 vs. 2021	2022 vs. 2019
URGENT*	Hospital-onset CRE	▲ Increase	▲ Increase	▬ Stable	▲ Increase
	Hospital-onset Carbapenem-resistant <i>Acinetobacter</i>	▬ Stable	▬ Stable	▬ Stable	▲ Increase**
	Clinical Cases of <i>C. auris</i>	▲ Increase	▲ Increase	▲ Increase	▲ Increase
SERIOUS*	Hospital-onset MRSA	▲ Increase	▬ Stable	▼ Decrease	▬ Stable
	Hospital-onset VRE	▲ Increase	▲ Increase	▬ Stable	▲ Increase
	Hospital-onset ESBL-producing Enterobacterales	▲ Increase	▬ Stable	▬ Stable	▲ Increase
	Hospital-onset MDR <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	▲ Increase	▲ Increase	▬ Stable	▲ Increase

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Urgent

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Severe

- Extended Spectrum Beta-Lactamases (ESBL)
- Vancomycin-Resistant Enterococcus (VRE)
- Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus (MRSA)

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Clostridium Difficile

One of the leading causes of morbidity and mortality in the hospital

Resistance is not an issue but overuse of antibiotics has led to an increase incidence of Cdiff infections

Abou Chakra CN, McGeer A, Labbe AC, et al. Factors associated with complications of Clostridium difficile infection in a multicenter prospective cohort. Clin Infect Dis. 2015;61(3):1781-1788.

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WHAT ANTIBIOTIC HAS THE HIGHEST RISK FOR CAUSING CDFIFF INFECTIONS?

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Antibiotic Related Risk

High Risk	Medium Risk	Low Risk
Cephalosporins	Macrolides	Aminoglycosides
Clindamycin	Tetracyclines	Metronidazole
Ampicillin/Amoxicillin		Anti-pseudomonal Penicillin
Fluoroquinolones		Rifampin
		Vancomycin

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Clostridium difficile

Mechanism of Infection:

- Gram-positive, spore-forming anaerobic bacillus
- Produces two major toxins: **Toxin A (TcdA)** and **Toxin B (TcdB)**
- Toxins cause **inflammation, mucosal damage, and fluid secretion** in the colon

Pathogenesis Steps:

- Disruption of gut microbiota (due to antibiotic use)
- Colonization of **C. difficile** spores in the gut
- Toxin production leads to **colitis and diarrhea**

Severe cases may progress to **pseudomembranous colitis, toxic megacolon, or sepsis**

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Clostridium difficile Resistance

Hypervirulent & Common Strains

- 1. NAP1/BI/027: Highly virulent, produces 16-23x more toxin A & B
- Fluoroquinolone-resistant
- Associated with severe disease, outbreaks, and higher mortality

NAP2/078 Strain

- Found in livestock (pigs, cattle)
- Can cause severe community-acquired CDI

NAP4/027 Strain

- Lacks Toxin A but still highly pathogenic
- Fluoroquinolone resistance reported

Patients infected with NAP1 strain have:

- More severe colitis, higher recurrence rates, increased ICU admissions
- Higher mortality risk compared to other strains
- More resistant ciprofloxacin, levofloxacin

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Treatment

Initial CDI Episode:

- Preferred: Fidaxomicin 200 mg BID x 10 days
- Alternative: PO Vancomycin 125 mg QID x 10 days
- If above unavailable (non-severe cases): Metronidazole 500 mg TID x 10-14 days

First Recurrence:

- Preferred: Fidaxomicin 200 mg BID x 10 days or BID x 5 days then QOD x 20 days
- Alternative: PO Vancomycin in tapered/pulsed regimen

Fulminant CDI:

- Vancomycin 500 mg QID orally or NG tube
- Consider rectal vancomycin if ileus is present
- IV metronidazole 500 mg q8h with vancomycin

Multiple Recurrences:

- Fidaxomicin (standard or extended-pulsed)
- PO Vancomycin tapered and pulsed regimen
- PO Vancomycin x 10 days followed by rifaximin
- Fecal Microbiota Transplantation (FMT)
- Adjunctive: Bezlotoxumab IV once discontinued effective January 31, 2025

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Treatment Resistance/Recurrence

Bezlotoxumab (Monoclonal Antibody to Toxin B):

- Reduces recurrence in high-risk patients
- Use in patients with prior CDI episode in last 6 months

FMT (Fecal Microbiota Transplantation):

- For multiple CDI recurrences after standard treatments fail
- FDA warning: Risk of transmission of pathogens

Rifaximin:

- Used after vancomycin for 20 days to prevent recurrence
- Limited data, but promising in some recurrent CDI cases

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CRE Vs. CPE

Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE)

A bacterium that is a member of the enterobacteriaceae family resistant to the carbapenem class of antibiotics by any means

Carbapenemase-Producing Enterobacteriaceae (CPE)

A bacterium that is a member of the enterobacteriaceae family resistant to the carbapenem class of antibiotics through the production of a carbapenemase

Humphries RM, Yang S, Hemarajata P, et al. First report of ceftazidime-avibactam resistance in a KPC-3-expressing *Klebsiella pneumoniae* isolate. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother*. 2015;59(10):6605-6607. Kumarasamy KK, Toleman MA, Walsh TR, et al. Emergence of a new antibiotic resistance mechanism in India, Pakistan, and the UK: a molecular, biological, and epidemiological study. *Lancet Infect Dis*. 2010;10(9):597-602. 41

Types of Carbapenemases

Klebsiella-Producing Carbapenemases (KPC)

- Inhibit all beta-lactams

New Delhi Metallo-Beta Lactamases (NMD-1)

- Inhibit all beta-lactams
- Susceptible to Aztreonam

Verona Integron Encoded Metallobetalacamase (VIM)

- Inhibit all beta-lactams

Oxacillin Hydrolyzing (OXA)

- Inhibit all beta-lactams but weak inhibition against carbapenems

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Carbapenemase-Producing Enterobacteriaceae Treatments

Tigecycline + Polymyxins + Aminoglycosides

- Tigecycline has limited efficacy and numerous adverse effects

Ceftolozane-Tazobactam (Zerbaxa)

Ceftazidime-Avibactam (Avycaz)

- No activity against NDM-1 and VIM

Imipenem/Cilastatin + Relebactam (Recarbrio)

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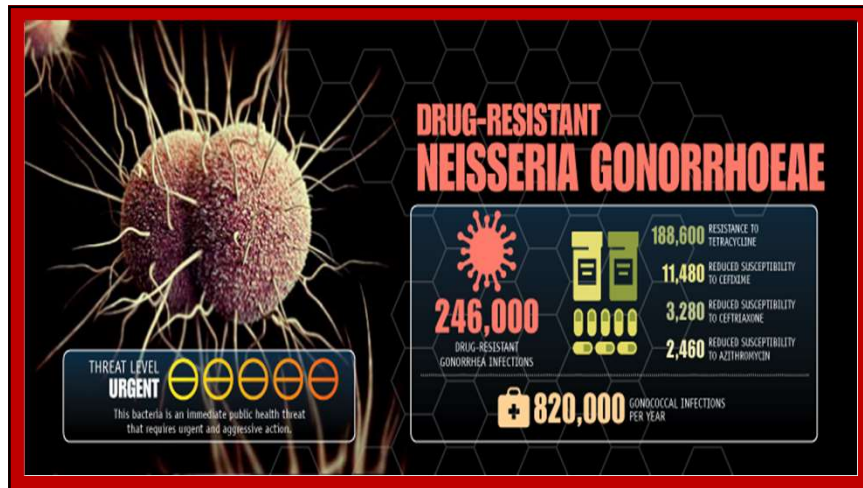
Neisseria Gonorrhoeae

Oral Sex Is Fueling the Global Spread of Untreatable Gonorrhea

Antibiotic-resistant gonorrhea is on the rise: World Health Organization

USA TODAY NETWORK Mary Bowensmae, USA TODAY Network Published 9:21 a.m. ET July 7, 2017 | Updated 3:21 p.m. ET July 7, 2017

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Neisseria Gonorrhoeae

- Second most reported sexually transmitted infection
- Increased resistance to Azithromycin, Fluoroquinolones and oral Cefixime has created massive crisis
- Resistance to Ceftriaxone has also been noted

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CDC (14 July 2014). "Gonorrhea - CDC Fact Sheet". Retrieved 17 October 2014.

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Neisseria Gonorrhoeae

Pathogen – *Neisseria gonorrhoeae*

- Gram Negative Diplococci

Common sites of infections

- Cervix, urethra, rectum, pharynx, conjunctiva

Common co-infection – *Chlamydia trachomatis*

- **Routine treatment covers both *N. gonorrhoeae* & *C. trachomatis***

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Neisseria Gonorrhoeae – Treatment

Preferred Treatment:

- Ceftriaxone 500mg IM x 1 PLUS doxycycline 100mg PO daily x 7 days (if *Chlamydia trachomatis* infection is not excluded)
- In patients ≥ 150 kg, ceftriaxone dose should be 1 gram

Alternative Treatments (FYI):

- Cefixime 800mg PO x 1
- Gentamicin 240mg IM plus 2 grams PO azithromycin
- Fluoroquinolones no longer recommended due to resistance

St. Cyr S, Barbee L, Workowski KA, et al. Update to CDC's Treatment Guidelines for Gonococcal Infection, 2020. MMWR Morb Mortal Wkly Rep 2020;69:1911–1916. DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.15585/mmwr.mm6909a1>

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Neisseria Gonorrhoeae

Susceptibility testing is recommended for all individuals for who Azithromycin + Ceftriaxone is not effective

Treatments in the Pipeline!

- Solithromycin – Completed Phase III Clinical Trial
- Zoliflodacin – Currently in Phase II
- Gepotidacin – Currently in Phase II

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Putnam, Shannon D.; Sader, Helo S.; Farrell, David J.; Biedenbach, Douglas J.; Castanheira, Mariana (2013). "Antimicrobial characterisation of solithromycin (CEM-103), a novel fluoroglycolide: activity against staphylococci and enterococci". *International Journal of Antimicrobial Agents*. **37** (1): 39–45. PMID 23075602. doi:10.1016/j.ijantimicag.2010.08.021

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Extended Spectrum Beta-Lactamase (ESBL)

Nearly 900 different β -lactamases have been found (penicillinases, cephalosporinases, etc.)

Some β -lactam antibiotics are resistant to some β -lactamases, but sensitive to others

- *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Haemophilus influenza*, and *Escherichia coli* possess β -lactamases that prefer **penicillins**, but not **cephalosporins**
- *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* and *Enterobacter* species destroy **penicillins** and **cephalosporins**
- Penicillinases and cephalosporinases do not destroy **carbapenems**, but carbapenemases and metallo- β -lactamases exist that do destroy **carbapenems**

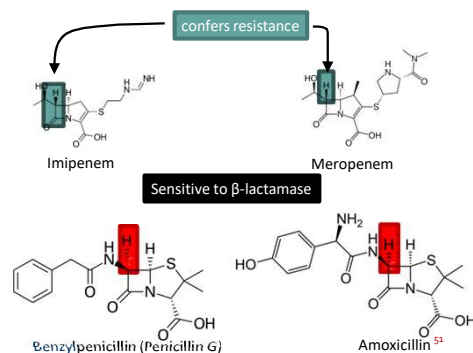
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Beta Lactamases – Carbapenems

Carbapenems are more β -lactamase-resistant than other drugs

Resistance is conferred by the different stereochemistry in the β -lactam ring



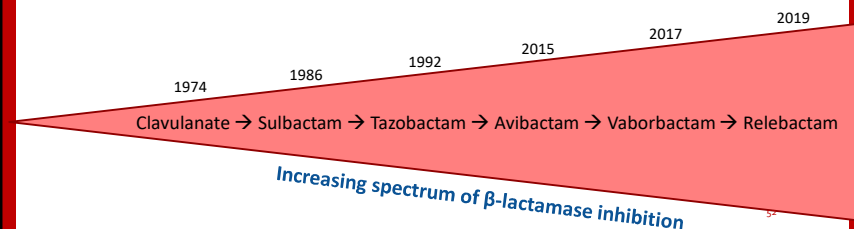
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Beta Lactamase Inhibitors

Not all β -lactamase inhibitors are created equally

In general, the newer ones have greater spectra of activity, but older ones are still in use to stabilize drugs against certain bacteria

β -lactamase inhibitors cannot be mixed with any random β -lactam drug, but are instead combined with drugs that are sensitive to the β -lactamase that the inhibitor targets



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Extended Spectrum Beta-Lactamase (ESBL)

Carbapenems	Fosfomycin	Ceftolozane/ Tazobactam (Zerbaxa)	Ceftazidime/Avibactam (Avycaz)
Meropenem/ Vaborbactam (Vabomere)	Tigecycline	Imipenem/Cilastatin/ Relebactam (Recarbrio)	Omadacycline/ Evaracycline

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Vancomycin – Concerns for Resistance

Vancomycin
Resistant
Enterococcus
(VRE)

Vancomycin
Intermediate
Staph aureus
(VISA)

Vancomycin
Resistant Staph
aureus (VRSA)

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Resistance to Vancomycin

Enterococci and *Staph. Aureus* can resist vancomycin by a simple trick

They replace the terminal D-alanine with a D-lactate or D-serine, which prevents vancomycin from binding altogether

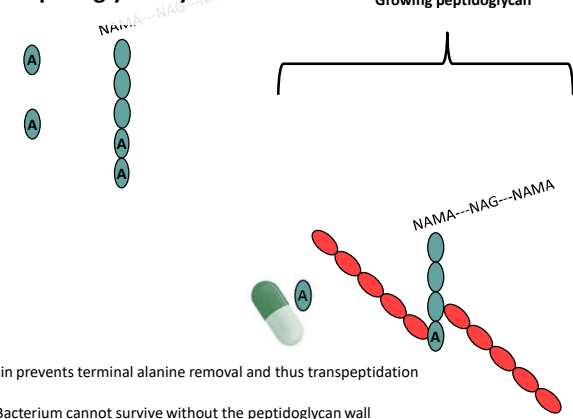
Lactate is not even an amino acid, highlighting the fact that resistance-generating bacterial evolution is extremely flexible, and perhaps unpredictable with respect to mechanism

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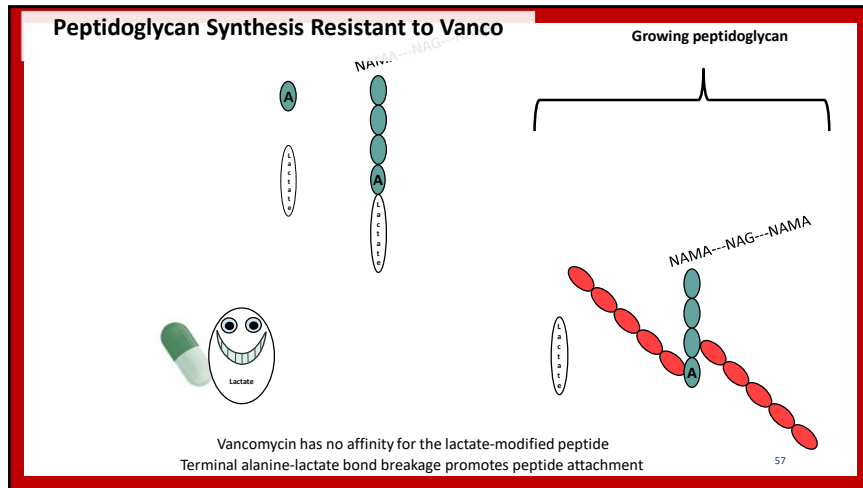
Vancomycin-Inhibited Peptidoglycan Synthesis



Bacterium cannot survive without the peptidoglycan wall

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Vancomycin-Resistant Enterococcus (VRE)

NON-VRE	VRE
• Ampicillin/Sulbactam • Vancomycin • Piperacillin/Tazobactam • Penicillin • Quinupristin/Dalfopristin	• E. faecalis • Penicillin G • Ampicillin • Linezolid • Daptomycin • Tigecycline • Nitrofurantoin • Fosfomycin • Doxycycline • E. faecium • Daptomycin • Linezolid • Tigecycline • Quinupristin/Dalfopristin • Nitrofurantoin • Fosfomycin • Doxycycline

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Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus (MRSA)

Hospital Acquired

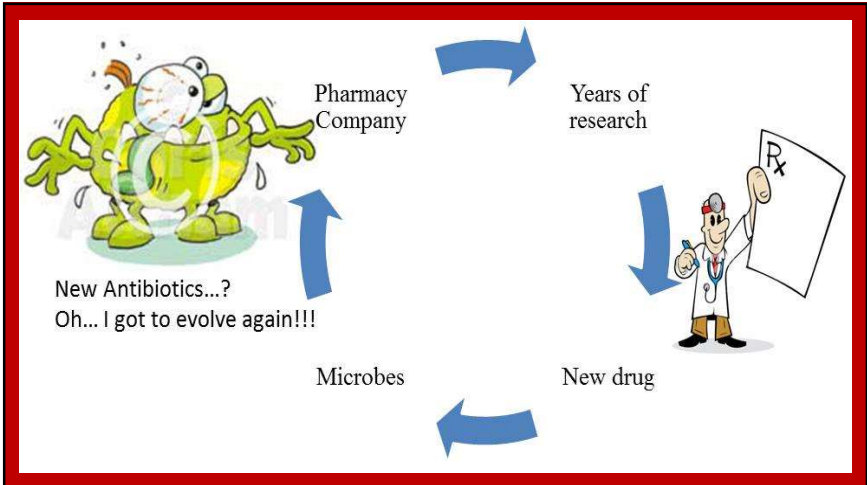
- Vancomycin
- Daptomycin
- Linezolid/Tedizolid
- Ceftaroline
- Telavancin
- Dalbavancin/Oritavancin
- Tigecycline
- Quinupristin/Dalfopristin

Community Acquired

- Sulfamethoxazole/Trimethoprim
- Doxycycline/Minocycline
- Clindamycin
- Linezolid/Tedizolid
- Moxifloxacin

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Post-Test Question 1

Which of the following combinations is the appropriate treatment for NMD-1 Carbapenemase-Producing Enterobacteriaceae? SELECT ALL THAT APPLY

- Piperacillin/Tazobactam
- Tigecycline + Amikacin + Colistin
- Amoxicillin/Clavulanic Acid
- Vancomycin
- Ceftolozane/Tazobactam

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Post-Test Question 2

Which of the following is the first line treatment for ESBL E. Coli infections?

- a. Carbapenems
- b. Fosfomycin
- c. Piperacillin/Tazobactam
- d. Amoxicillin/Clavulanic Acid

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Post-Test Question 3

Which of the following is considered first line treatment for hospital acquired MRSA infections?

- a. Daptomycin
- b. Linezolid
- c. Clindamycin
- d. Vancomycin

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Post-Test Question 4

Which of the following medications can be used for clostridium difficile infections?

- a. IV Vancomycin
- b. Oral Vancomycin
- c. IV Zosyn
- d. Oral Augmentin

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QUESTIONS?

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