

# Antimicrobial Resistance Lab Network Updates 2021

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## Outline

- Introduction
- Submission Guidelines
- Summary of 2020 Data
  - Recent and noteworthy outbreaks
- Ongoing and Upcoming Surveillance Activities





**N-(3-oxododecanoyl)-L-homoserine lactone  
interactions in the breast tumor microenvironment:  
Implications for breast cancer viability and  
proliferation in vitro**

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**Glucosylceramide production maintains colon integrity in response to *Bacteroides fragilis* toxin-induced colon epithelial cell signaling**

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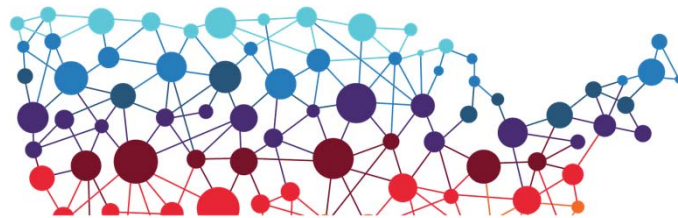


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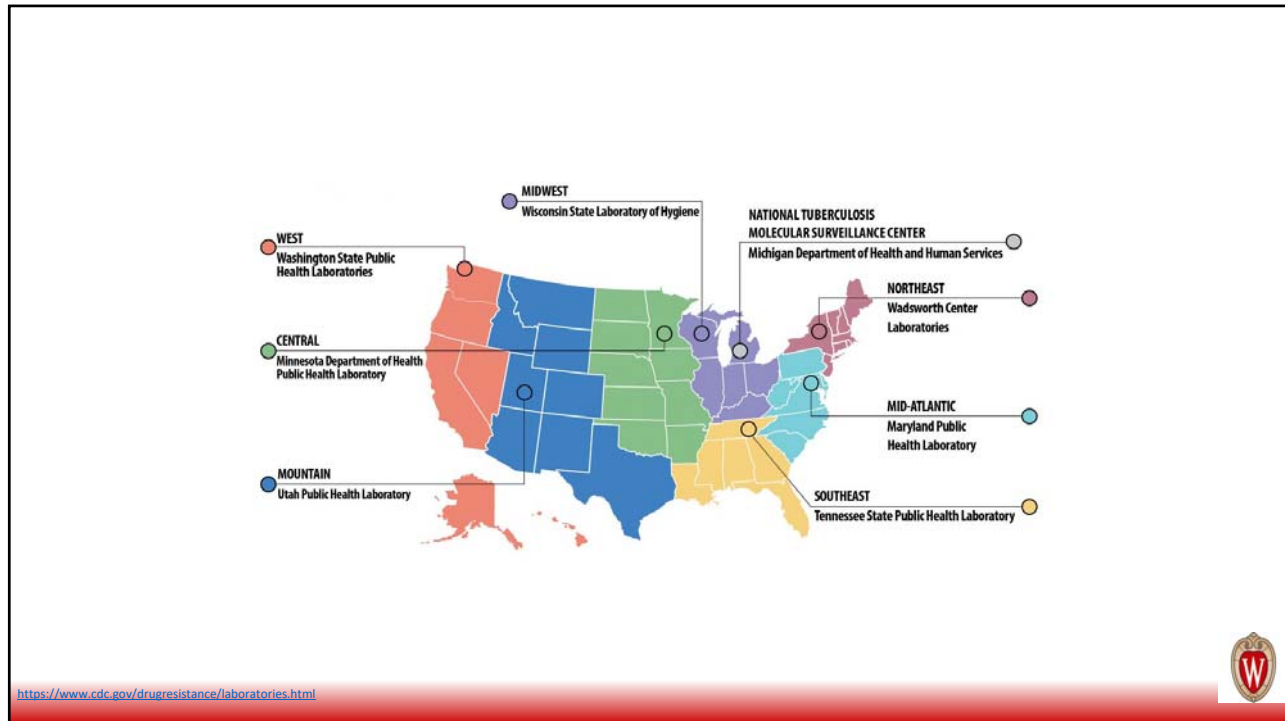


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  - Isolates may be used for the CDC and FDA AR Isolate Bank and WGS projects

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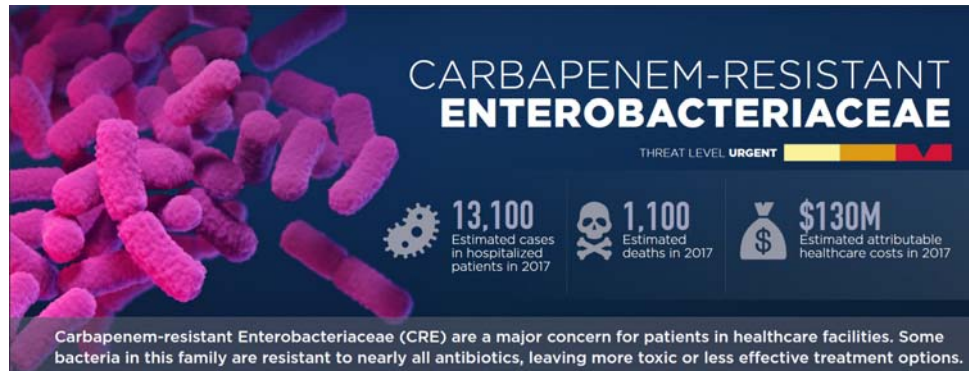
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## Carbapenem-resistant *Enterobacteriaceae* (CRE)



<https://www.cdc.gov/drugresistance/pdf/threats-report/CRE-508.pdf>



## Carbapenem-resistant *Enterobacteriaceae* (CRE)

- Carbapenem-resistant *Enterobacteriaceae* (CRE)
  - CRE can carry mobile genetic elements that are easily shared between bacteria
    - Approximately 30% of CRE carry a mobile genetic element that make carbapenem antibiotics ineffective
  - Patients who require devices (e.g., catheters) and patients taking long courses of antibiotics are the most at risk

Organism	Isolates
<i>Enterobacter spp.</i>	176
<i>Klebsiella spp.</i>	165
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	77
<i>Citrobacter freundii</i>	24
<i>Proteus mirabilis</i>	16
<i>Raoultella ornithinolytica</i>	13
<i>Serratia marcescens</i>	11
<i>Providencia rettgeri</i>	8
<i>Morganella morganii</i>	7
<i>Hafnia alvei</i>	3
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	4
Misc.	4
<i>Citrobacter koseri</i>	1
<i>Providencia stuartii</i>	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>510</b>

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- Exceptions
  - *Proteus spp.*, *Providencia spp.*, and *Morganella morganii* that are resistant to Imipenem ONLY (susceptible to Meropenem or Doripenem)



## Carbapenem-resistant *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* (CRPA)

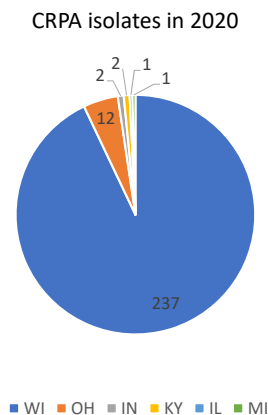


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## Carbapenem-resistant *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* (CRPA)

- Carbapenem-resistant *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* (CRPA)
  - *P. aeruginosa* infections usually occur in people in the hospital or with weakened immune systems
  - 2-3% of CRPA carry a mobile genetic element that makes a carbapenemase enzyme



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  - Do not submit resistant *P. aeruginosa* isolates from cystic fibrosis patients



## Carbapenem-resistant *Acinetobacter baumannii* (CRAB)



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## Carbapenem-resistant *Acinetobacter baumannii* (CRAB)

- Carbapenem-resistant *Acinetobacter baumannii* (CRAB)
  - Cause pneumonia, wound, bloodstream, and urinary tract infections
    - Infections tend to occur in intensive care units (ICUs)
  - Carry mobile genetic elements that are easily shared between bacteria, further enhancing the spread of carbapenemase producing organisms
  - Some *Acinetobacter* are resistant to nearly all antibiotics
    - Very few new drugs are in development

<https://www.cdc.gov/drugresistance/pdf/threats-report/acetobacter-508.pdf>



## Carbapenem-resistant *Acinetobacter baumannii* (CRAB)

- Carbapenem-resistant *Acinetobacter baumannii* (CRAB)
  - Often carry plasmid-encoded  $\beta$ -lactamases with carbapenemase activity (OXA-23, OXA-24/40, and OXA-58)
    - Denoted as OXA because of their ability to confer resistance to oxacillin
  - Presence of just one carbapenemase-hydrolyzing OXA enzyme may be enough for *A. baumannii* to become resistant to all carbapenems

Review > [Clin Microbiol Rev.](#) 2014 Apr;27(2):241-63. doi: 10.1128/CMR.00117-13.

### OXA $\beta$ -lactamases

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  - Pan-resistant isolates from facilities outside of Southeast Wisconsin, or isolates suspected of being part of an outbreak, please contact WSLH for guidance on submission ([wiarl@slh.wisc.edu](mailto:wiarl@slh.wisc.edu))



## *Candida auris*



<https://www.cdc.gov/drugresistance/pdf/threats-report/candida-auris-508.pdf>



## *Candida auris*

- *Candida auris*
  - Can cause outbreaks in healthcare facilities
  - Often multidrug-resistant, with some strains resistant to all three available classes of antifungals
  - Can be carried on patient's skin without causing infection, allowing further spread
  - Some common healthcare disinfectants are less effective at eliminating it

Organism	Isolates
<i>C. auris</i>	250
<i>C. parapsilosis</i>	40
<i>C. glabrata</i>	9
<i>C. lusitanae</i>	8
<i>Candida</i> species, not <i>C. auris</i>	7
<i>S. cerevisiae</i>	6
<i>C. albicans</i>	4
<i>C. dubliniensis</i>	3
<i>C. fermentati</i>	1
<i>C. haemulonii</i>	1
<i>C. orthopsilosis</i>	1
<i>C. kefyr</i>	1
<i>C. neoformans</i>	1
<i>C. tropicalis</i>	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>343</b>

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  - *Candida spp.* resistant to two or more antifungal classes

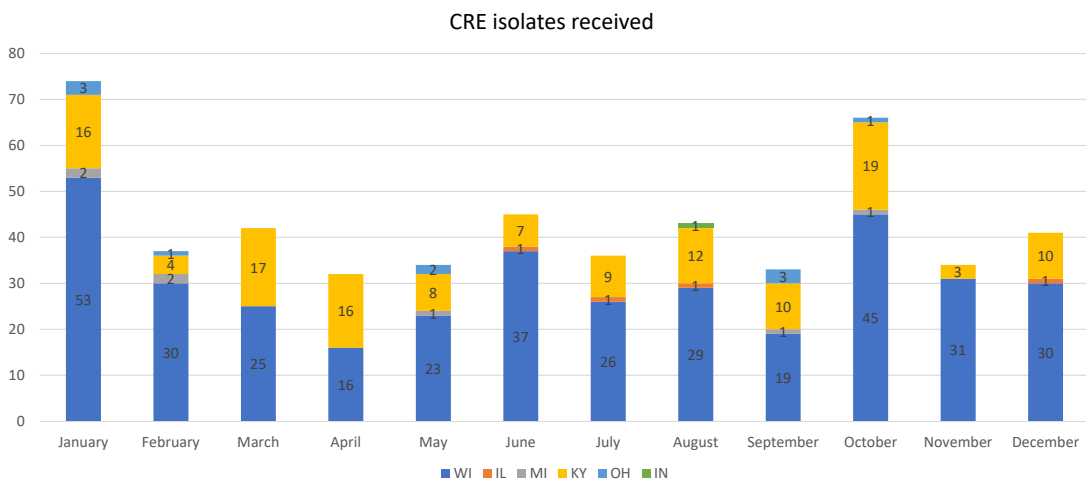


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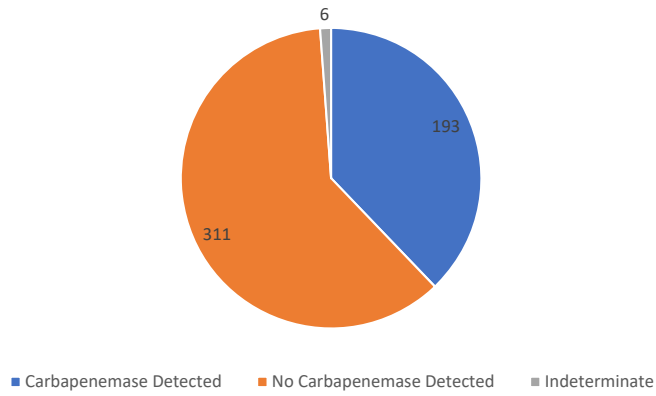


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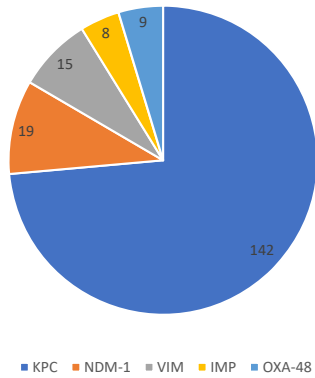
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Carbapenemase presence in CRE isolates



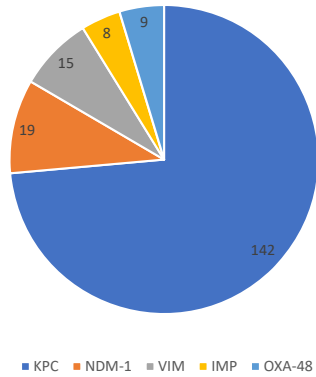
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Carbapenemase genes detected

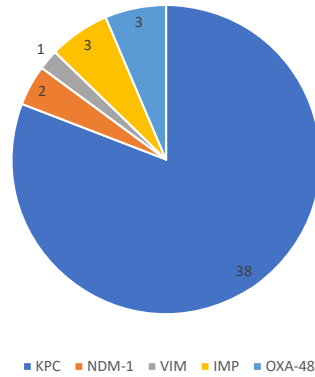


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Carbapenemase genes detected-Wisconsin



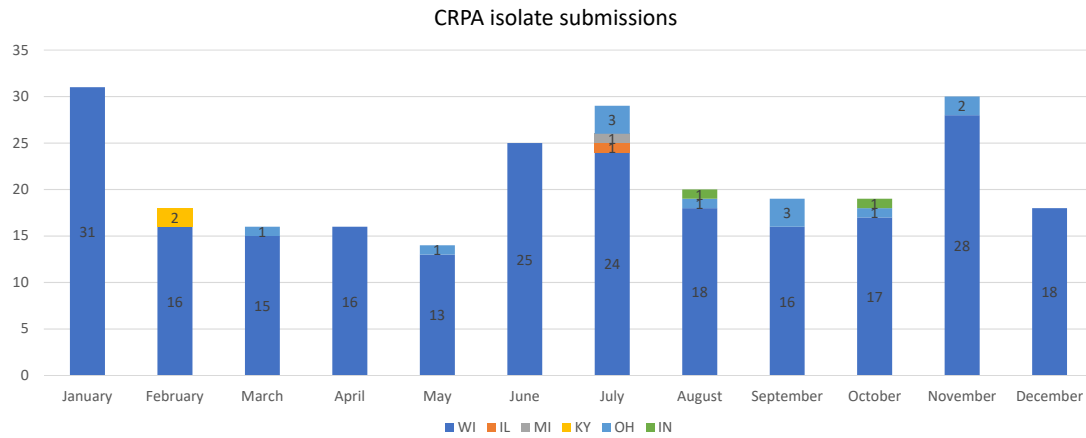
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Pan non-susceptible isolates			
Month	State	Organism	Mechanism(s)
January	OH	Klebsiella pneumoniae	KPC
January	MI	Klebsiella pneumoniae	NDM-1
January	KY	Klebsiella pneumoniae	OXA-48
February	OH	Klebsiella pneumoniae	KPC
March	KY	Klebsiella pneumoniae	OXA-48
May	OH	Klebsiella pneumoniae	KPC
May	KY	Escherichia coli	NDM-1
July	KY	Escherichia coli	NDM-1 and OXA-48
July	IL	Klebsiella pneumoniae	KPC and NDM-1
October	MI	Klebsiella pneumoniae	NDM-1 and OXA-48
December	WI	Klebsiella pneumoniae	



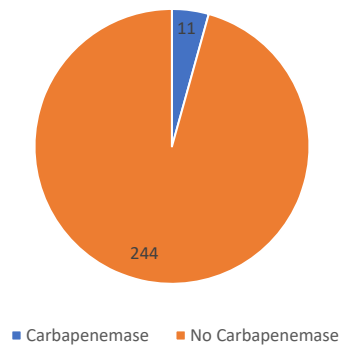


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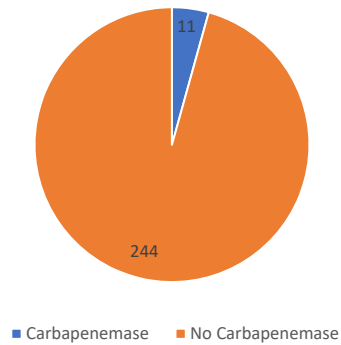
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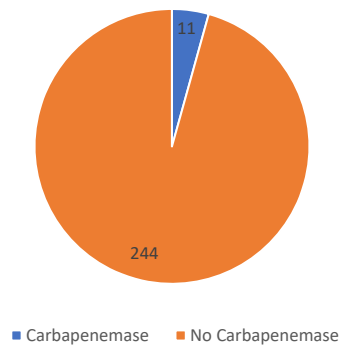


Date	State	Mechanism
March	OH	VIM
May	OH	Potential novel
May	WI	Potential novel
July	OH	Potential novel
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July	MI	Potential novel
October	OH	Potential novel
November	OH	Potential novel
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October	OH	Potential novel	No
November	OH	Potential novel	No
December	WI	NDM-1	Yes
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Date	State	Mechanism	Pan-NS?
May	WI	None detected	Yes
June	WI	None detected	Yes
July	WI	None detected	Yes
August	WI	None detected	Yes
August	OH	None detected	Yes
August	WI	None detected	Yes
December	WI	NDM-1	Yes

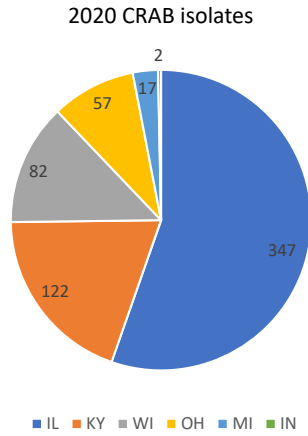


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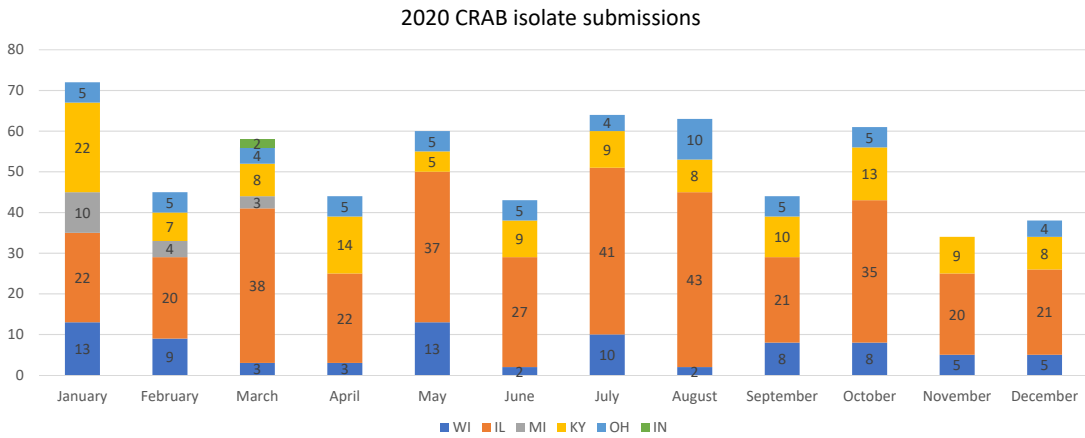
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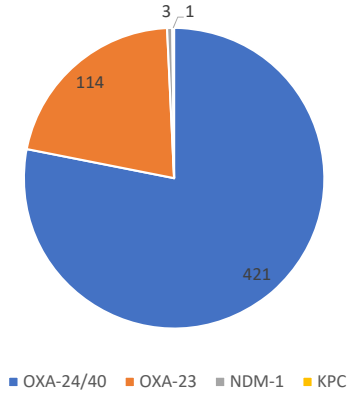


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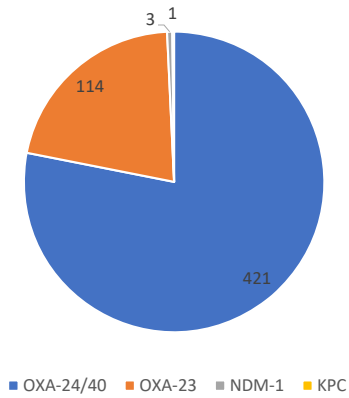
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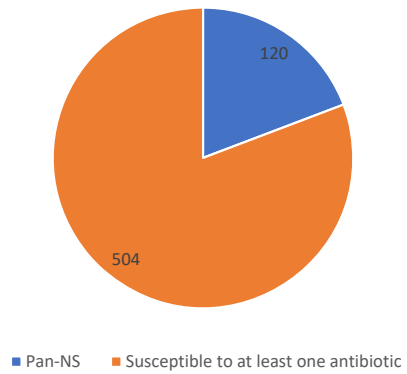


## 2020 CRAB data

Carbapenemase gene detected



CRAB susceptibility



## 2020 CRAB data-Wisconsin

Month	Isolates	Pan-NS?	OXA-24/40+
January	13	0	8
February	9	0	8
March	3	0	3
April	3	0	3
May	13	6	12
June	2	2	2
July	10	2	10
August	2	0	2
September	8	1	6
October	8	2	5
November	5	1	5
December	5	1	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>69</b>

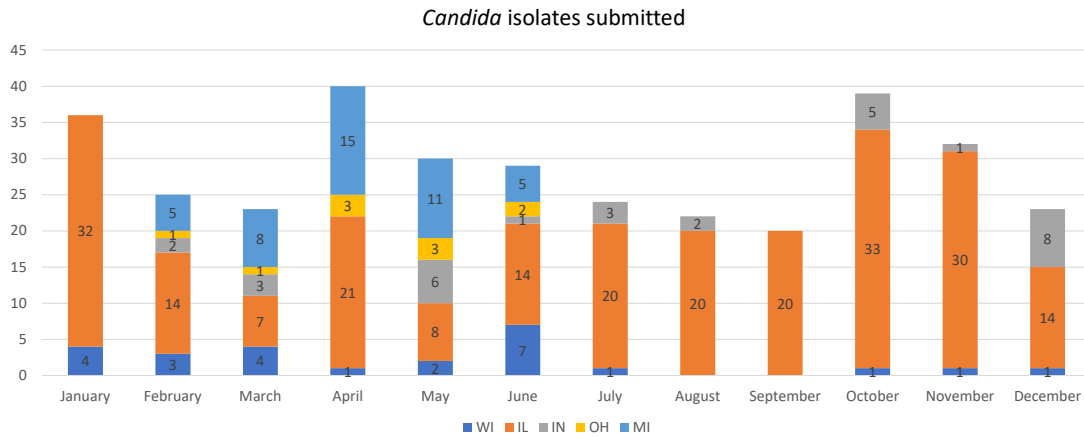


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- *Candida spp.*
  - MALDI and AST



## 2020 *Candida* data



## The impact(s) of the COVID-19 pandemic

**COVID-19 Units Seeing Increasing Rates of Multi-Drug Resistant Organism Outbreaks**

December 21, 2020

RE: Possibility of increasing multidrug-resistant organisms (MDROs) amid the COVID-19 pandemic

<https://www.communitycareks.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/12-21-20COVID-19andIncreaseMDRORisks.pdf>



# COVID-19 and the spread of CRE

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## Antimicrobial Stewardship Program, COVID-19, and Infection Control: Spread of Carbapenem-Resistant *Klebsiella Pneumoniae* Colonization in ICU COVID-19 Patients. What Did Not Work?

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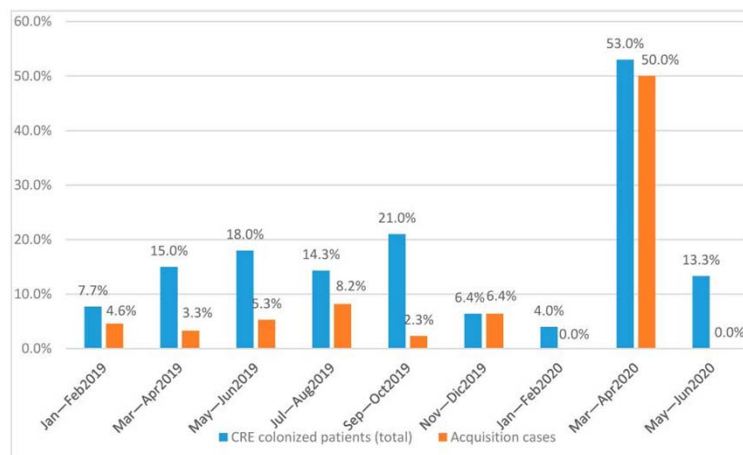
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> J Antimicrob Chemother. 2021 Jan 19;76(2):380-384. doi: 10.1093/jac/dkaa466.

## Carbapenemase-producing Enterobacterales causing secondary infections during the COVID-19 crisis at a New York City hospital

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## Bacterial co-infection and secondary infection in patients with COVID-19: a living rapid review and meta-analysis

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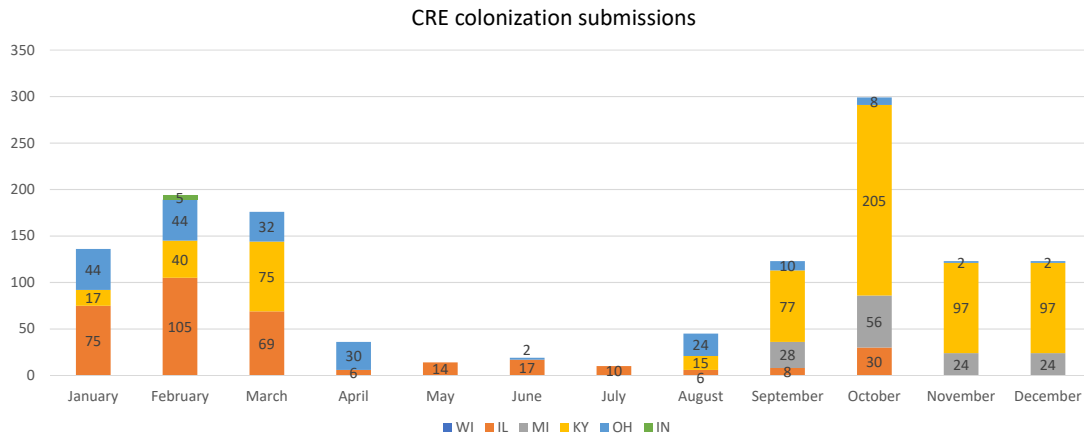
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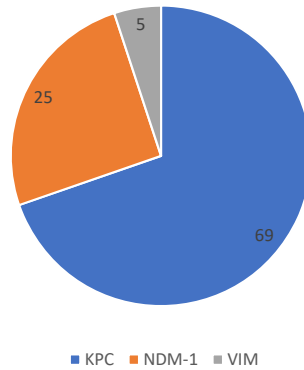


## 2020 CRE colonization data



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Carbapenemase genes detected during colonization screens



# COVID-19 and the impact on CRAB

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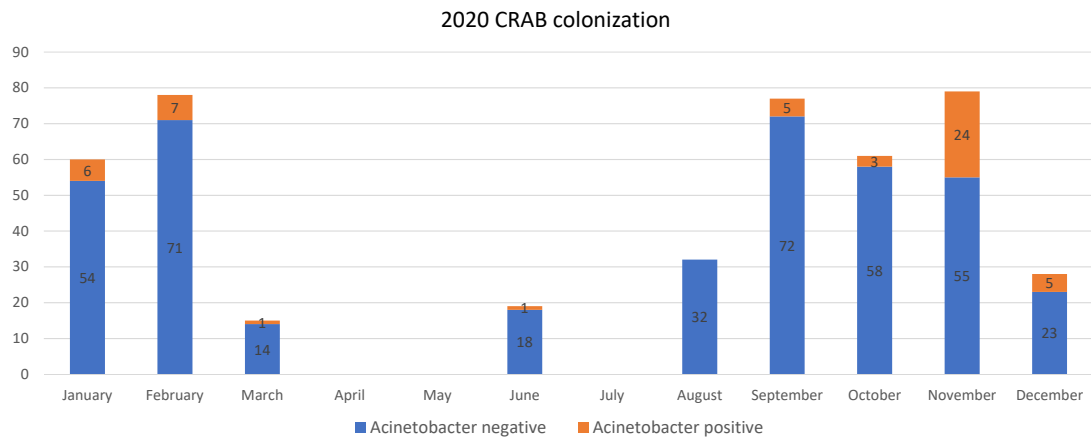
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## The rise of *C. auris* during the COVID-19 pandemic

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### The lurking scourge of multidrug resistant *Candida auris* in times of COVID-19 pandemic

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> *Clin Microbiol Infect.* 2021 Jan 8;S1198-743X(20)30790-4. doi: 10.1016/j.cmi.2020.12.030.

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## Outbreak of *Candida auris* infection in a COVID-19 hospital in Mexico

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## Candida auris Outbreak in a COVID-19 Specialty Care Unit - Florida, July-August 2020

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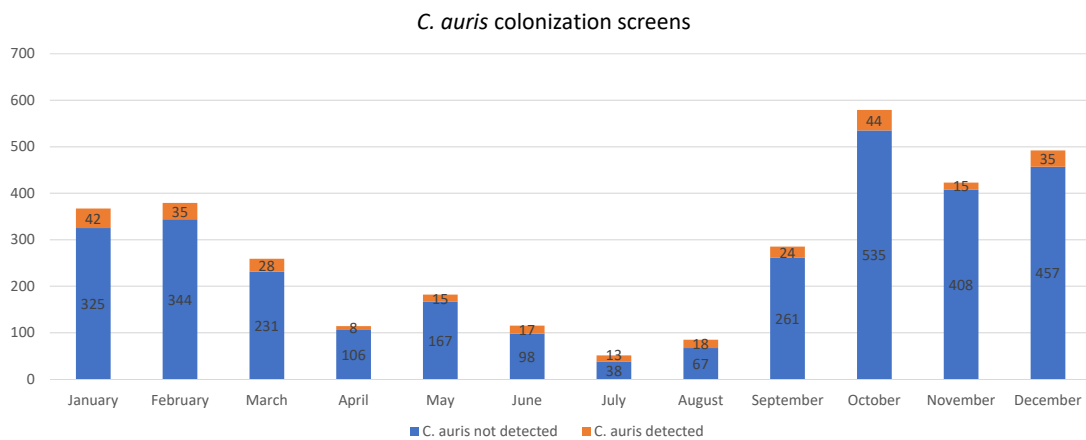
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# The rise of *C. auris* during the COVID-19 pandemic



**CDPH Health Advisory:  
Resurgence of *Candida auris* in Healthcare Facilities  
in the Setting of COVID-19  
August 20, 2020**

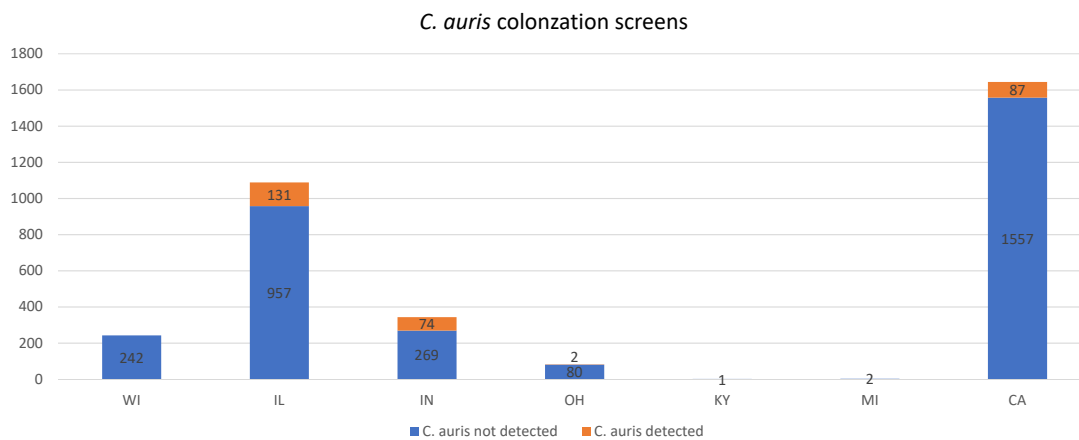
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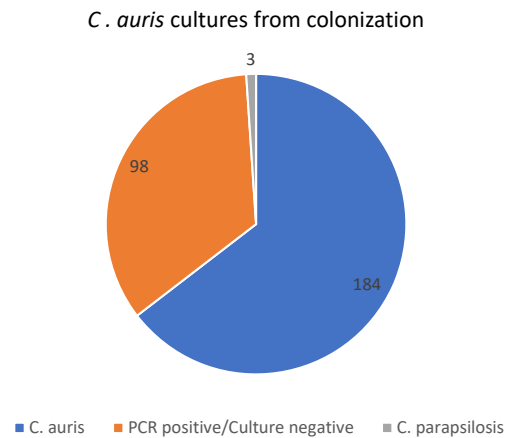
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## Ongoing AR activities

- GN7F AST panel validation
- WGS progress
- Other AR activities





## GN7F AST panel validation

- GN7F panel will replace GNX2F AST panel
  - Key differences between the two panels

New drugs on the GN7F panel	Drugs not included in the GN7F panel
Ampicillin	Cefotaxime
Ampicillin-Sulbactam	Colistin
Cefazolin	Doxycycline
Ceftazidime-Avibactam	Polymixin B
Ceftolozane-Tazobactam	Ticarcillin/Clavulanic Acid
Ceftriaxone	
Nitrofurantoin	
Tetracycline	



## Whole genome sequencing

- Isolates being sequenced
  - Pan-nonsusceptible
  - Novel carbapenemase (mCIM+/PCR-)
  - Non-KPC carbapenemase in *Enterobacterales*
  - Carbapenemase in *Pseudomonas*
  - Non-OXA carbapenemase in *Acinetobacter*
  - Carbapenemase detected during colonization (excludes KPC)



## Other AR activities

- Drug resistant *Neisseria gonorrhoeae*
  - Testing handled by Utah Public Health Laboratory, Tennessee State Public Health Laboratory, and Washington State Public Health Laboratories



<https://www.cdc.gov/drugresistance/pdf/threats-report/gonorrhea-508.pdf>



## Other AR activities

- *Clostridioides difficile*
  - Testing handled by Minnesota Department of Health Public Health Laboratory

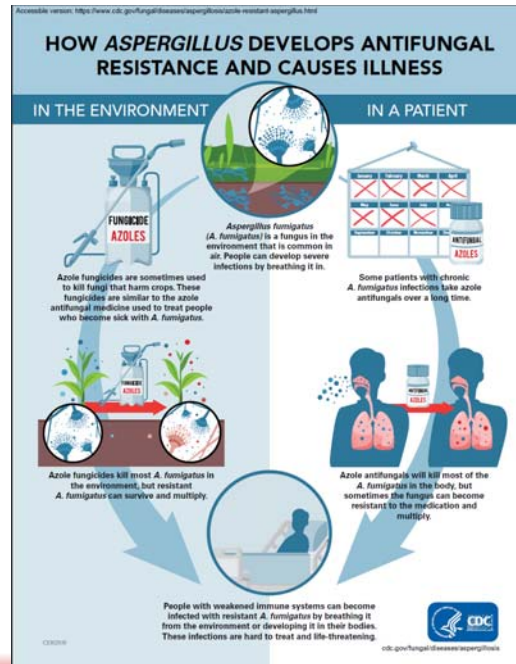


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## Other AR activities

- Azole-resistant *Aspergillus fumigatus*
  - Now on the CDC AR Watch List
  - Testing by the Maryland Public Health Laboratory and the Tennessee State Public Health Laboratory



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