

2025 Updates to CLSI M100



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- I. Quick discussion(s) relative to major revisions
- II. Objectives of webinar

Describe significant changes relevant to pre-existing antimicrobial susceptibility breakpoints...

Describe significant changes relevant to antimicrobial susceptibility testing methodology...

Identify (new) organism/antimicrobial combinations for which susceptibility breakpoints now exist...

as outlined in the CLSI M100-Ed35 document.

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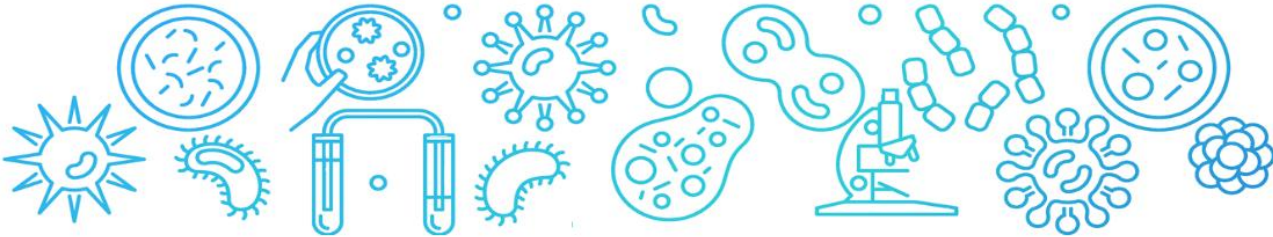
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broth microdilution,
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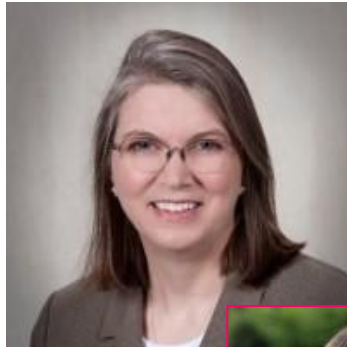
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QUINOLONES AND FLUOROQUINOLONES (Please refer to Glossary I.)

Ciprofloxacin	5 µg	≥ 26	–	22–	≤ 21	≤ 0.25	–	0.5 [^]	≥ 1
Levofloxacin	5 µg	≥ 21	–	25 [^] 17– 20 [^]	≤ 16	≤ 0.5	–	1 [^]	≥ 2
Cinoxacin* (U) ^a	100 µg	≥ 19	–	15– 18 [^]	≤ 14	≤ 16	–	32 [^]	≥ 64
Enoxacin* (U) ^a	10 µg	≥ 18	–	15– 17 [^]	≤ 14	≤ 2	–	4 [^]	≥ 8
Gatifloxacin*	5 µg	≥ 18	–	15– 17 [^]	≤ 14	≤ 2	–	4 [^]	≥ 8
Gemifloxacin*	5 µg	≥ 20	–	16–19	≤ 15	≤ 0.25	–	0.5	≥ 1
Grepafloxacin*	5 µg	≥ 18	–	15–17	≤ 14	≤ 1	–	2	≥ 4
Lomefloxacin*	10 µg	≥ 22	–	19– 21 [^]	≤ 18	≤ 2	–	4 [^]	≥ 8
Nalidixic acid* (U) ^a	30 µg	≥ 19	–	14–18	≤ 13	≤ 16	–	–	≥ 32
Norfloxacin* (U) ^a	10 µg	≥ 17	–	13–16	≤ 12	≤ 4	–	8	≥ 16
Ofloxacin*	5 µg	≥ 16	–	13– 15 [^]	≤ 12	≤ 2	–	4 [^]	≥ 8
Fleroxacin (Inv.)	5 µg	≥ 19	–	16– 18 [^]	≤ 15	≤ 2	–	4 [^]	≥ 8



* “Other” agents that are not included in Table 1 but have established clinical breakpoints

(U) urine

^a report only on isolates from urinary tract

inv., investigational agent

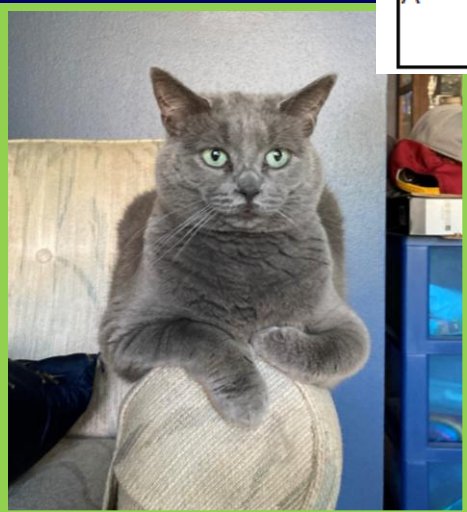
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Test/ Report Group	Body Site	Antimicrobial Agent	Antimicrobial Agent Class or Subclass	Organism	Disk Content	Interpretive Categories and Zone Diameter Breakpoints, nearest whole mm			Interpretive Categories and MIC Breakpoints, µg/mL			
						S	I	R	S	SDD	I	R
Dogs (Continued)												
A	SST, ur	Difloxacin	Fluoro- quinolones ^c	Enterobacterales	10 µg	≥ 21	18-20	≤ 17	≤ 0.5	-	1-2	≥ 4
A	Resp, SST, ur	Enrofloxacin	Fluoroquinolones ^c	Enterobacterales	-	-	-	-	≤ 0.06	0.12- 0.25	-	≥ 0.5
B	SST	Levofloxacin	Fluoroquinolones ^c	Enterobacterales	5 µg	≥ 21	17-20	≤ 16	≤ 0.5	-	1	≥ 2
A	SST, ur	Marbofloxacin	Fluoroquinolones ^c	Enterobacterales	-	-	-	-	≤ 0.12	0.25	-	≥ 0.5
A	SST, ur	Orbifloxacin	Fluoroquinolones ^c	Enterobacterales	10 µg	≥ 23	18-22	≤ 17	≤ 1	-	2-4	≥ 8
A	Skin, ur	Pradofloxacin	Fluoroquinolones ^c	<i>E. coli</i>	5 µg	≥ 24	20-23	≤ 19	≤ 0.25	-	0.5-1	≥ 2

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Test/ Report Group	Body Site	Antimicrobial Agent	Antimicrobial Agent Class or Subclass	Organism	Disk Content	Interpretive Categories and Zone Diameter Breakpoints, nearest whole mm			Interpretive Categories and MIC Breakpoints, µg/mL			
						S	I	R	S	SDD	I	R
Cats												
A	SST	Enrofloxacin	Fluoroquinolones ^C	Enterobacterales	5 µg	≥ 23	17-22	≤ 16	≤ 0.5	-	1-2	≥ 4
A	SST	Marbofloxacin	Fluoroquinolones ^C	Enterobacterales	5 µg	≥ 20	15-19	≤ 14	≤ 1	-	2	≥ 4
A	SST	Orbifloxacin	Fluoroquinolones ^C	Enterobacterales	10 µg	≥ 23	18-22	≤ 17	≤ 1	-	2-4	≥ 8
A	Resp, skin	Pradofloxacin	Fluoroquinolones ^C	<i>E. coli</i>	5 µg	≥ 24	20-23	≤ 19	≤ 0.25	-	0.5-1	≥ 2



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Test/ Report Group	Body Site	Antimicrobial Agent	Antimicrobial Agent Class or Subclass	Organism	Disk Content	Interpretive Categories and Zone Diameter Breakpoints, nearest whole mm			Interpretive Categories and MIC Breakpoints, µg/mL				Comments
						S	I	R	S	SDD	I	R	
Horses													
A	Resp, SST	Enrofloxacin	Fluoroquinolones ^C	Enterobacterales	–	–	–	–	≤ 0.12	–	0.25	≥ 0.5	



Test/ Report Group	Body Site	Antimicrobial Agent	Antimicrobial Agent Class or Subclass	Organism	Disk Content	Interpretive Categories and Zone Diameter Breakpoints, nearest whole mm			Interpretive Categories and MIC Breakpoints, µg/mL				Comments
						S	I	R	S	SDD	I	R	
Poultry													
B		Enrofloxacin	Fluoroquinolones ^C	<i>E. coli</i>	5 µg	≥ 23	17–22	≤ 16	≤ 0.25	-	0.5–1	≥ 2	(16) The US approval for poultry was withdrawn in September 2005.



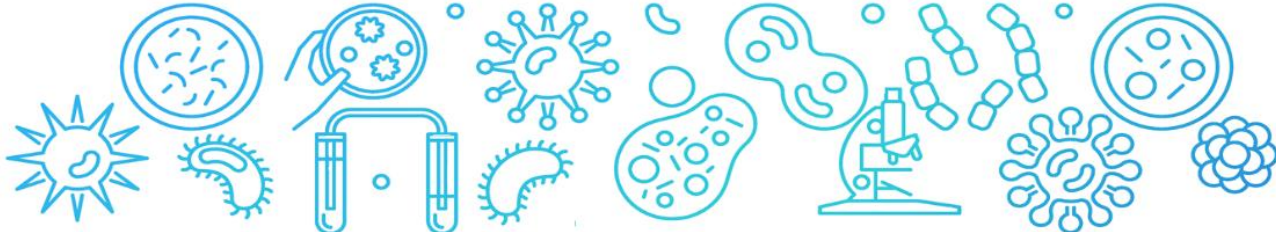
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Table 2A-1. Zone Diameter and MIC Breakpoints for Enterobacterales (excluding *Salmonella/Shigella*) (Correction applies to print and PDF versions of the document):

The breakpoints for ceftriaxone are incorrectly aligned. The word “ceftriaxone” has been moved down one line so that it aligns with the appropriate breakpoints.

Table 2A-1. Zone Diameter and MIC Breakpoints for Enterobacterales (excluding *Salmonella/Shigella*)

Antimicrobial Agent	Disk Content	Interpretive Categories and Zone Diameter Breakpoints, nearest whole mm				Interpretive Categories and MIC Breakpoints, µg/mL				Comments
		S	SDD	I	R	S	SDD	I	R	
CEPHEMS (PARENTERAL) (Including cephalosporins I, II, III, and IV. Please refer to Glossary I.) (Continued)										
Cefotaxime or ceftriaxone	30 µg 30 µg	≥ 26 ≥ 23	-	23-25^ 20-22^	≤ 22 ≤ 19	≤ 1 ≤ 1	-	2^ 2^	≥ 4 ≥ 4	See comment (14).



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Table 2C. Zone Diameter and MIC Breakpoints for *Staphylococcus* spp.

Antimicrobial Agent	Staphylococcus spp. Indications	Disk Content	Interpretive Categories and Zone Diameter Breakpoints, nearest whole mm				Interpretive Categories and MIC Breakpoints, µg/mL				Comments
			S	SDD	I	R	S	SDD	I	R	
OXAZOLIDINONES											
(27) S. aureus that test susceptible to linezolid by MIC are also considered susceptible to tedizolid. However, some organisms that test resistant to linezolid may be susceptible to tedizolid.											
Linezolid	All staphylococci	30 µg	≥ 26	-	23-25	≤ 22	≤ 4	-	-	≥ 8	
Tedizolid	S. aureus, including MRSA	2 µg	≥ 19	-	16-18	≤ 15	≤ 0.5	-	1	≥ 2	

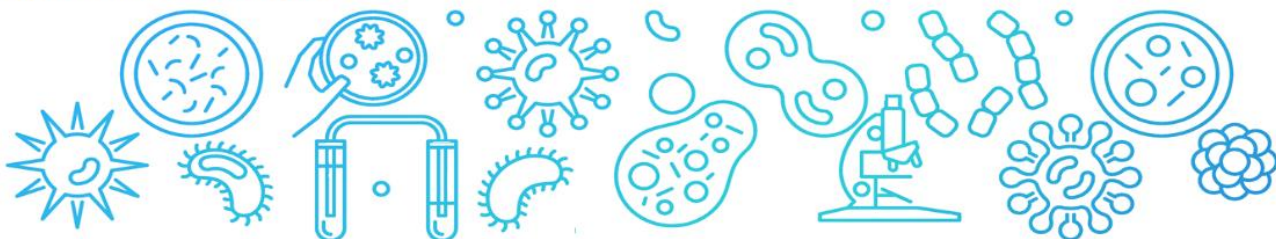
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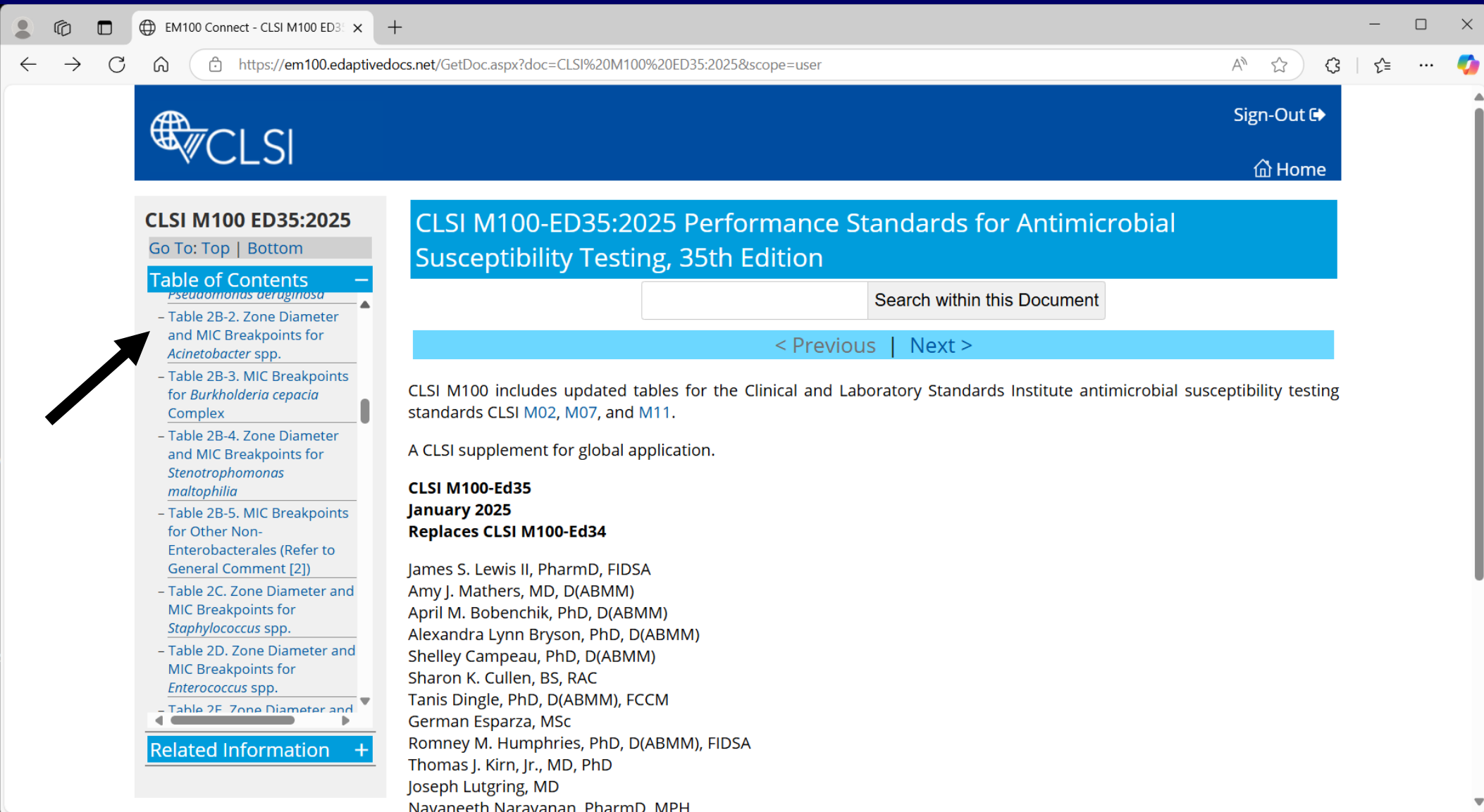
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Table 2B-2. Zone Diameter and MIC Breakpoints for *Acinetobacter* spp.

Testing Conditions	QC Recommendations
Medium: Disk diffusion: MHA Broth dilution: CAMHB; iron-depleted CAMHB for cefiderocol (see Appendix H, section H1) ¹ Agar dilution: MHA	Refer to the following: • Tables 4A-1, 4A-2, 5A-1, and 5A-2 that list acceptable QC ranges applicable for each method • Appendix I to develop a QC plan
Inoculum: Broth culture method or colony suspension, equivalent to a 0.5 McFarland standard; positive blood culture broth for select antimicrobial agents with disk diffusion (see general comment [3])	When a commercial test system is used for antimicrobial susceptibility testing, refer to the manufacturer's instructions for QC strains and QC ranges.
Incubation: 35°C ± 2°C; ambient air; 20–24 hours, all methods	

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(1) Refer to Table 1B-2 for antimicrobial agents that should be considered for testing and reporting by microbiology laboratories.

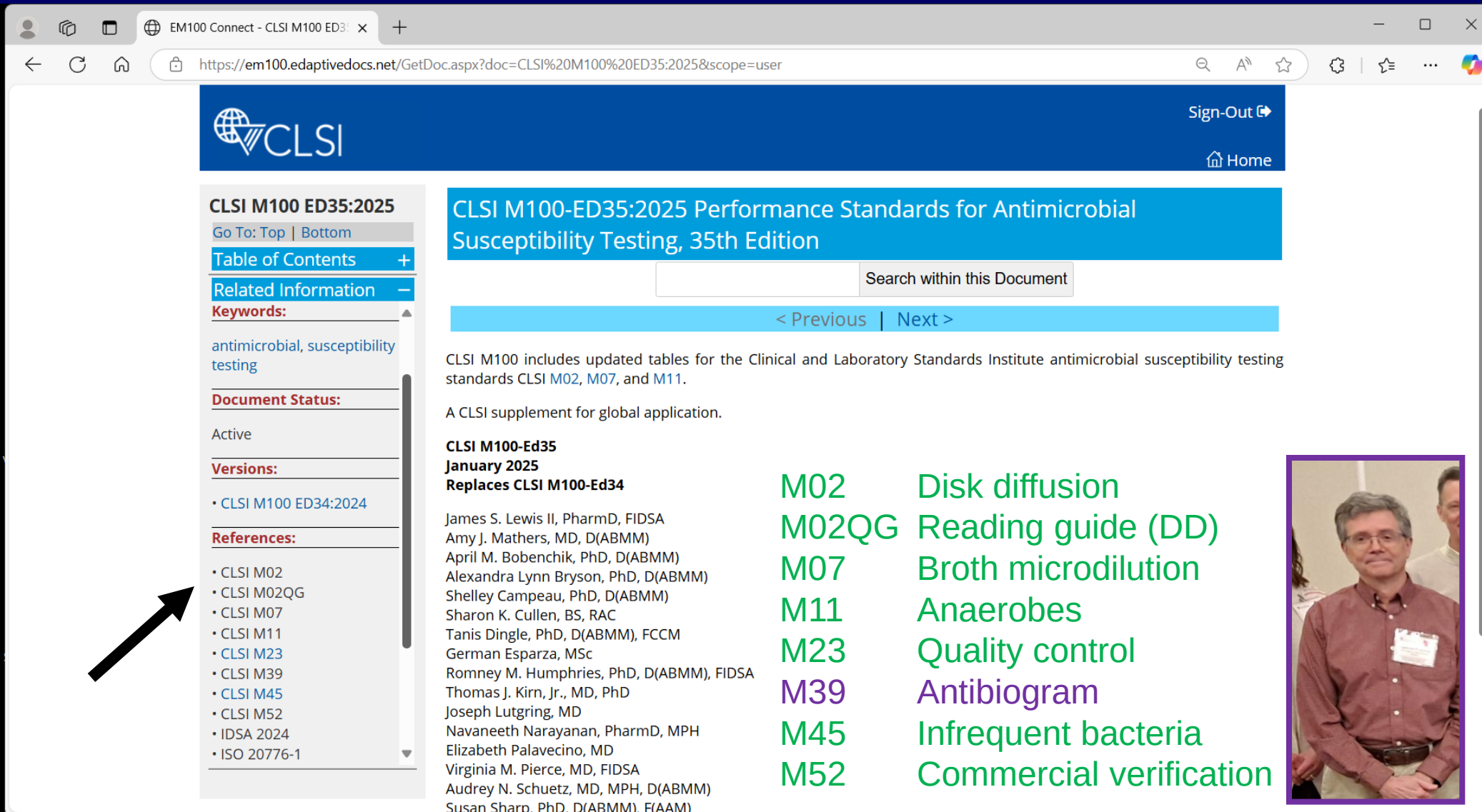
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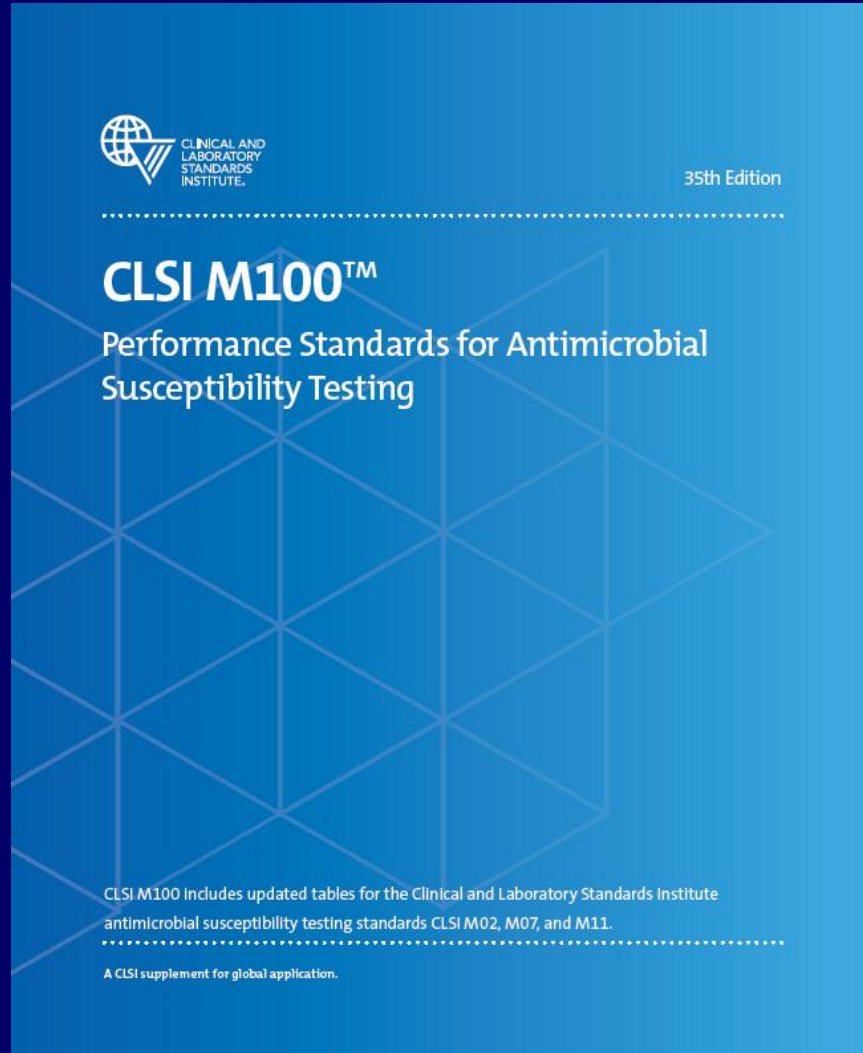
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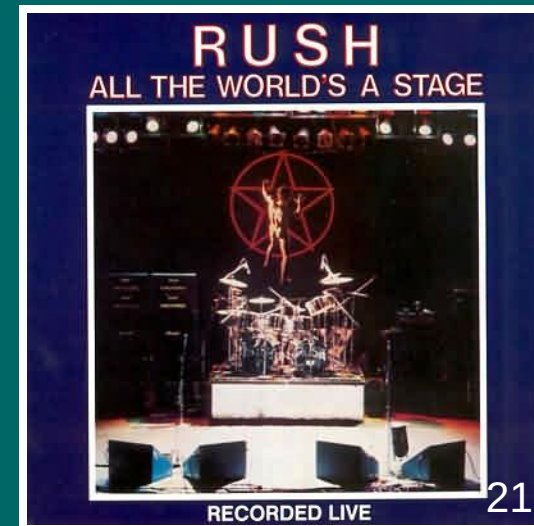
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Setting the Stage



BACK IN THE OLD DAYS...

- Group A Primary test and report
- Group B Optional primary test, report selectively
- Group C Supplemental report selectively
- Group U Supplemental for urine only

TABLES 1

Table 1A
Suggested Nonfastidious Groupings
M02 and M07

Table 1A. Suggested Groupings of Antimicrobial Agents Approved by the US Food and Drug Administration for Clinical Use That Should Be Considered for Testing and Reporting on Nonfastidious Organisms by Microbiology Laboratories in the United States

	<i>Enterobacteriaceae</i>	<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	<i>Staphylococcus</i> spp.	<i>Enterococcus</i> spp. ^m
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Table 1B
Suggested Fastidious Groupings
M02 and M07

Table 1B. Suggested Groupings of Antimicrobial Agents Approved by the US Food and Drug Administration for Clinical Use That Should Be Considered for Testing and Reporting on Fastidious Organisms by Microbiology Laboratories in the United States

ST	<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> ^d and <i>Haemophilus parainfluenzae</i>	<i>Neisseria gonorrhoeae</i> ^l	<i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i> ^l	<i>Streptococcus</i> spp. β-Hemolytic Group ^g	<i>Streptococcus</i> spp. Viridans Group ^g
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Table 1C
Suggested Anaerobe Groupings
M11

Table 1C. Suggested Groupings of Antimicrobial Agents Approved by the US Food and Drug Administration for Clinical Use That Should Be Considered for Testing and Reporting on Anaerobic Organisms by Microbiology Laboratories in the United States

	Gram-Negative Anaerobes	Gram-Positive Anaerobes ^a
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TABLE 1 GROUPINGS

- Tier 1 Antimicrobial agents that are appropriate for routine, primary testing and reporting
- Tier 2 Antimicrobial agents that are appropriate for routine, primary testing but may be reported following cascade reporting rules established at each institution

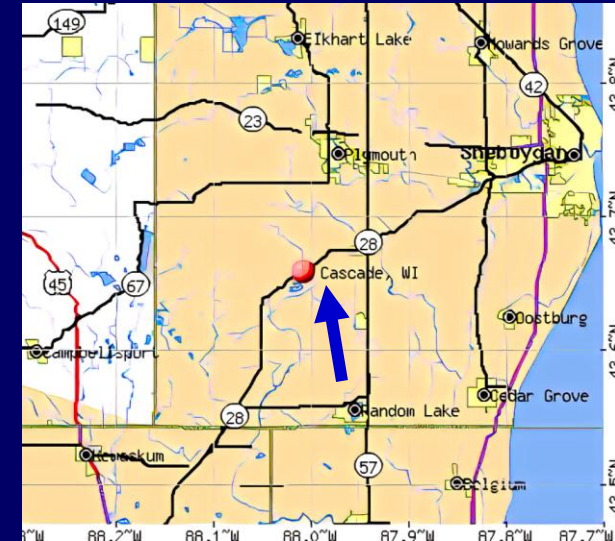
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TABLE 1 GROUPINGS

● Tier 3

Antimicrobial agents that are appropriate for routine, primary testing in institutions that serve patients at high risk for MDROs but should only be reported following cascade reporting rules established at each institution



● Tier 4

Antimicrobial agents that may warrant testing and reporting by clinician request if antimicrobial agents in other tiers are not optimal because of various factors

REPORTING

- **Selective** Based on defined criteria unrelated to susceptibility testing data

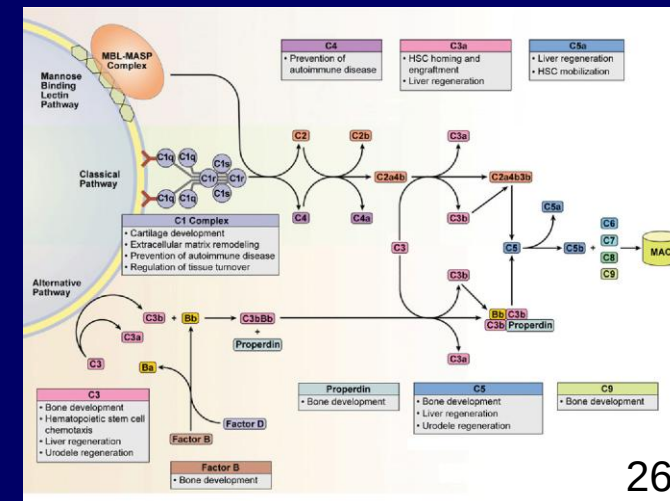
Organism ID

Clinical setting

Site of infection

Patient demographics

- **Cascade** Based on overall antimicrobial susceptibility profile of isolate



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THEY PERFECTLY MATCH UP

Table 1B-2
Acinetobacter spp.
CLSI M02 and CLSI M07

Table 1B-2. *Acinetobacter* spp.

Tier 1: Antimicrobial agents that are appropriate for routine, primary testing and reporting	Tier 2: Antimicrobial agents that are appropriate for routine, primary testing but may be reported following cascade reporting rules established at each institution	Tier 3: Antimicrobial agents that are appropriate for routine, primary testing in institutions that serve patients at high risk for MDROs but should only be reported following cascade reporting rules established at each institution	Tier 4: Antimicrobial agents that may warrant testing and reporting by clinician request if antimicrobial agents in other tiers are not optimal because of various factors
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Table 2B-2
Acinetobacter spp.
CLSI M02 and CLSI M07

Table 2B-2. Zone Diameter and MIC Breakpoints for *Acinetobacter* spp.

Testing Conditions Medium: Disk diffusion: MHA Broth dilution: CAMHB; iron-depleted CAMHB for cefiderocol (see Appendix H)¹ Agar dilution: MHA Inoculum: Broth culture method or colony suspension, equivalent to a 0.5 McFarland standard; positive blood culture broth for select antimicrobial agents with disk diffusion (see general comment [3]) Incubation: 35°C ± 2°C; ambient air; 20–24 hours, all methods	Routine QC Recommendations (see Tables 4A-1 and 5A-1 for acceptable QC ranges) <i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC® 25922 (for tetracyclines and trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole) <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> ATCC® 27853 Refer to Tables 4A-2 and 5A-2 to select strains for routine QC of β-lactam combination agents. When a commercial test system is used for susceptibility testing, refer to the manufacturer's instructions for QC test recommendations and QC ranges.
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1,2 A-1	Enterobacterales (excluding <i>Salmonella/Shigella</i>)
1,2 A-2	<i>Salmonella</i> and <i>Shigella</i> spp.
1,2 B-1	<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>
1,2 B-2	<i>Acinetobacter</i> spp.
1,2 B-3	<i>Burkholderia cepacia</i> complex (GUTTED ; stay tuned)
1,2 B-4	<i>Stenotrophomonas maltophilia</i> (hanging on by a thread)
1,2 B-5	Other Non-Enterobacterales
1,2 C	<i>Staphylococcus</i> spp.
1,2 D	<i>Enterococcus</i> spp.
1,2 E	<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> and <i>Haemophilus parainfluenzae</i>
1,2 F	<i>Neisseria gonorrhoeae</i>
1,2 G	<i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i>
1,2 H-1	<i>Streptococcus</i> spp. β -Hemolytic Group
1,2 H-2	<i>Streptococcus</i> spp. Viridans Group
1,2 I	<i>Neisseria meningitidis</i>
1,2 J	Anaerobes (combined Gram-positive and Gram-negative)



General Comments



THROUGHOUT DOCUMENT

- Disk diffusion no longer categorized as reference method; now a standard method
- QC testing frequency revised from “daily or weekly” to “daily per IQCP” (stay tuned)
- SOSA = staphylococci other than *Staphylococcus aureus*
- Deleted several mentions of sulfisoxazole



THROUGHOUT DOCUMENT

- **Isolates** that **test** susceptible to tetracycline are considered susceptible to doxy/minocycline. **Isolates** that **test** intermediate or resistant to tetracycline **should be tested against doxycycline or minocycline** if those results are needed for Rx.

Enterobacterales (including *Salmonella* spp. and *Shigella* spp.)

Haemophilus influenzae and *Haemophilus parainfluenzae*

Streptococcus spp. β -hemolytic group

Streptococcus spp. Viridans group

Other non-*Enterobacterales*

Enterococcus spp.

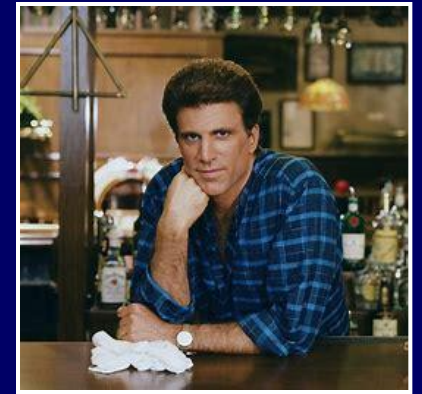
Staphylococcus spp.

Neisseria gonorrhoeae

Just doxycycline
Streptococcus pneumoniae

THROUGHOUT DOCUMENT

- Isolates that test susceptible to linezolid are considered susceptible to tedizolid. Isolates that test **zzz** to linezolid **should** be tested against tedizolid if that result is needed for therapy.



Resistant

Staphylococcus aureus

Resistant or intermediate

Enterococcus faecalis

Non-susceptible

Streptococcus pyogenes

Streptococcus agalactiae

Streptococcus anginosus group



Five Big Ones



HISTORIC TABLE

“Warning”: The following antimicrobial agents that are included in this document should not be routinely reported for bacteria isolated from CSF. These antimicrobial agents are not the drugs of choice and may not be effective for treating CSF infections caused by these organisms (ie, the bacteria included in Tables 2A through 2J):

- Agents administered by oral route only
- 1st- and 2nd-generation cephalosporins and cephamycins
- Clindamycin
- Macrolides
- Tetracyclines
- Fluoroquinolones



UPON FURTHER REVIEW

Ciprofloxacin	Levofloxacin	Moxifloxacin
Moderate penetration into CSF	High penetration into CSF	High penetration into CSF
Potentially enough penetration to treat some gram-negative bacilli; Not recommended for <i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i> (but no breakpoints and not included in clinical guidelines)	Potentially enough penetration to treat multiple bacteria	Potentially enough penetration to treat multiple bacteria
Case reports/series of clinical use; experimental models	Limited/no clinical literature but trials for TB meningitis; experimental models	Case reports/series of clinical use; experimental models
Recommended as alternative agent for bacterial meningitis in clinical guidelines	Recommended as alternative agent for bacterial meningitis in tertiary resources	Recommended as alternative agent for bacterial meningitis in clinical guidelines

UPON FURTHER REVIEW

Ciprofloxacin

Levofloxacin

Moxifloxacin

Locations	Organisms	Antimicrobial Agents
“Warning”: The following antimicrobial agent–organism combinations may appear active <i>in vitro</i> but are not effective clinically and must not be reported as susceptible.		
Table 2A-2	<i>Salmonella</i> spp., <i>Shigella</i> spp.	First- and second-generation cephalosporins, cephamycins, and aminoglycosides
Table 2D	<i>Enterococcus</i> spp.	Aminoglycosides (except for high-level resistance testing), cephalosporins, clindamycin, and trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole
“Warning”: Do not report the following antimicrobial agents for bacteria isolated from CSF. These are not the drugs of choice and may not be effective for treating CSF infections caused by the bacteria included in Tables 2A–2J:		
Tables 2A–2J	Bacteria isolated from CSF	Agents administered by oral route only, first- and second-generation cephalosporins and cephamycins, doripenem, ertapenem, imipenem, clindamycin, lefamulin, macrolides, and tetracyclines.

Abbreviation: CSF, cerebrospinal fluid.

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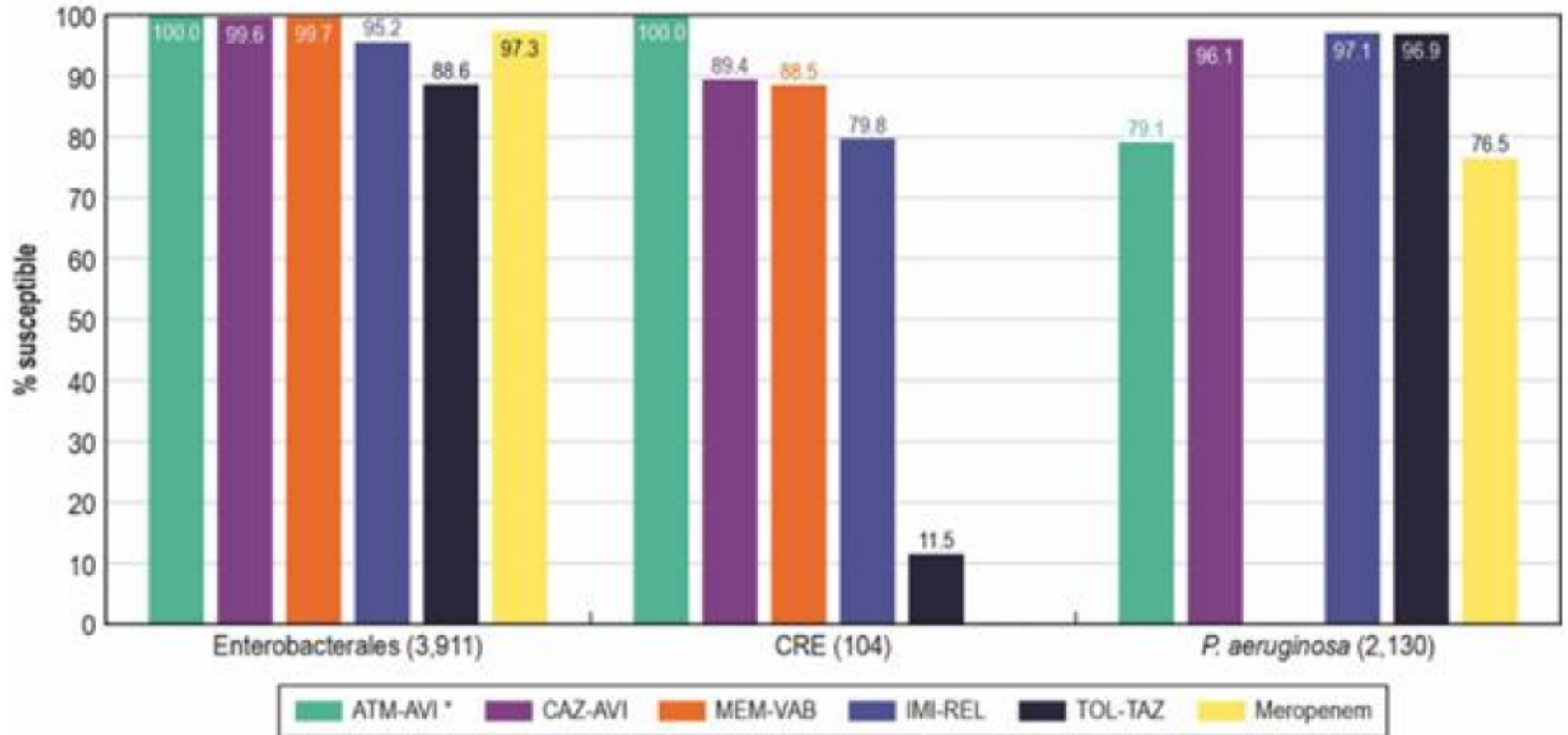
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PENEM RESISTANCE

- Antecedent ESBL or ampC + alteration of porin channels in cell wall, reducing permeability (CRE)
- Carbapenemase production (CPE...and CRE)
 - Serine carbapenemases (class A β -lactamase)
 - Metallo- β -lactamase (class B β -lactamase)
 - Oxacillinase (class D β -lactamase)
- CREs and CPEs commonly carry other resistance determinants



β -LACTAM/ β -LACTAMASE INHIBITOR



Aztreonam-avibactam

Ceftazidime-avibactam

Meropenem-vaborbactam

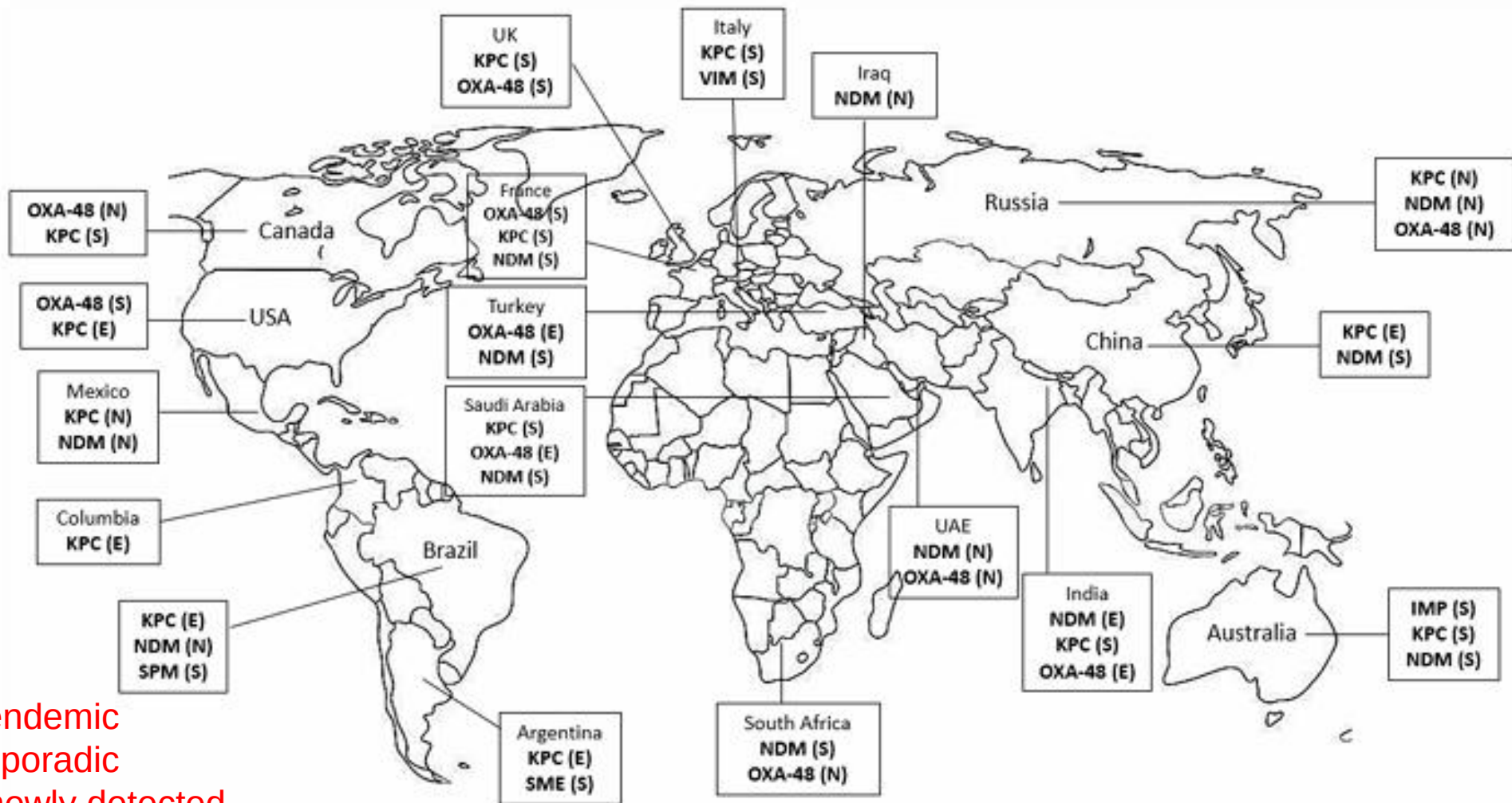
Imipenem-relebactam

Ceftolozane-tazobactam

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AMBLER CARBAPENEMASE GROUPS

Group	Examples	Sample targets of hydrolysis	Doesn't touch	Inhibited by
A	KPC IMI SME	penicillins 1°, 2° cephems aztreonam carbapenems	cephamycins	clavulanic acid tazobactam
B	NDM IMP VIM	penicillins 1°, 2° cephems carbapenems	aztreonam	EDTA (chelators)
D	OXA	higher penicillins higher cephems		none of the above



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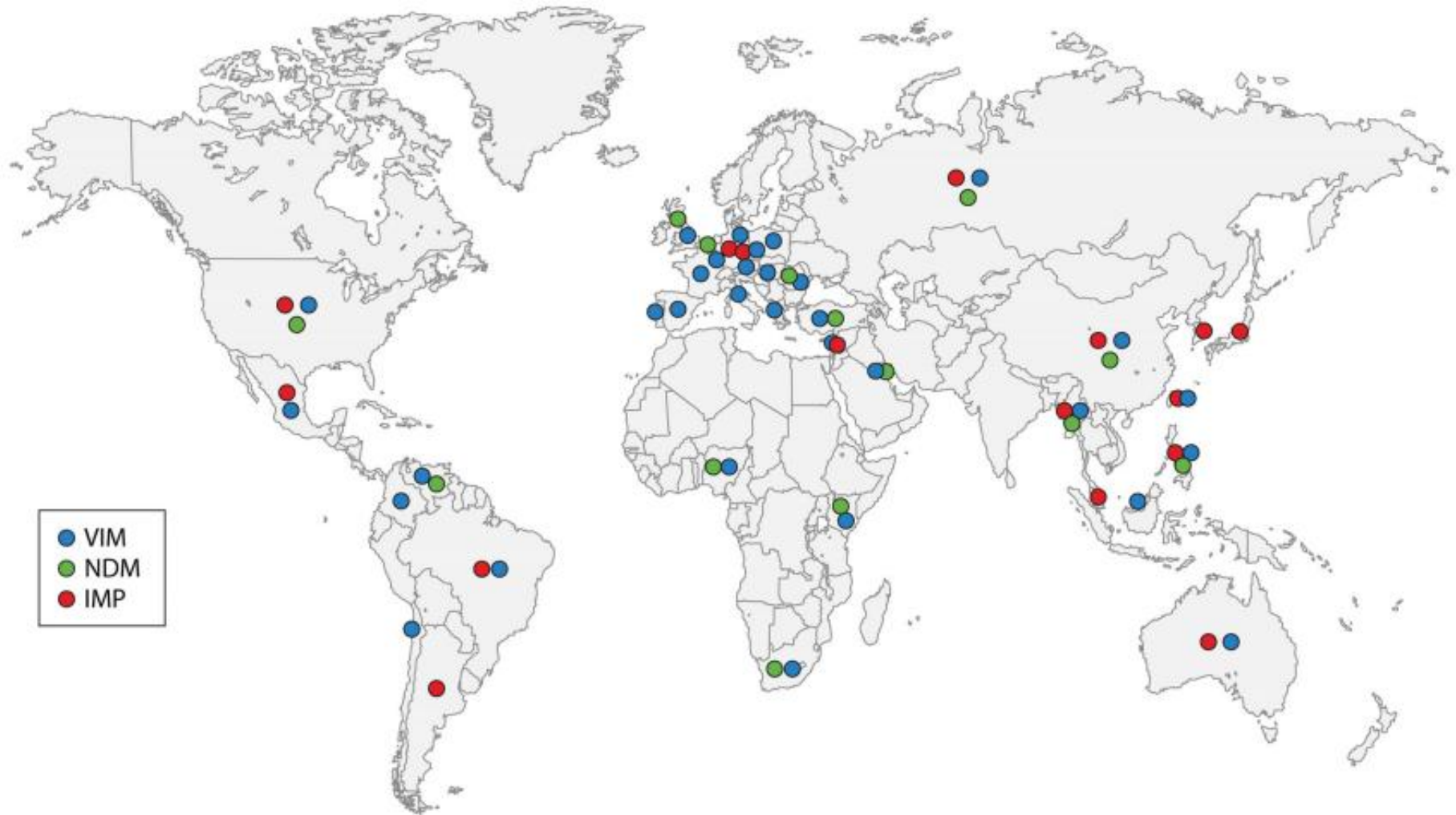
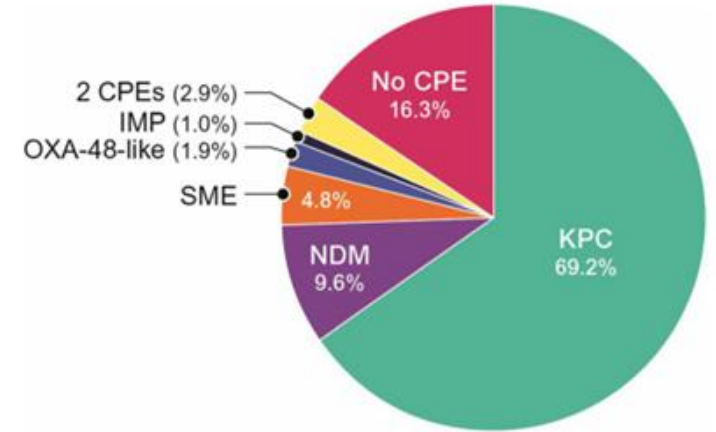
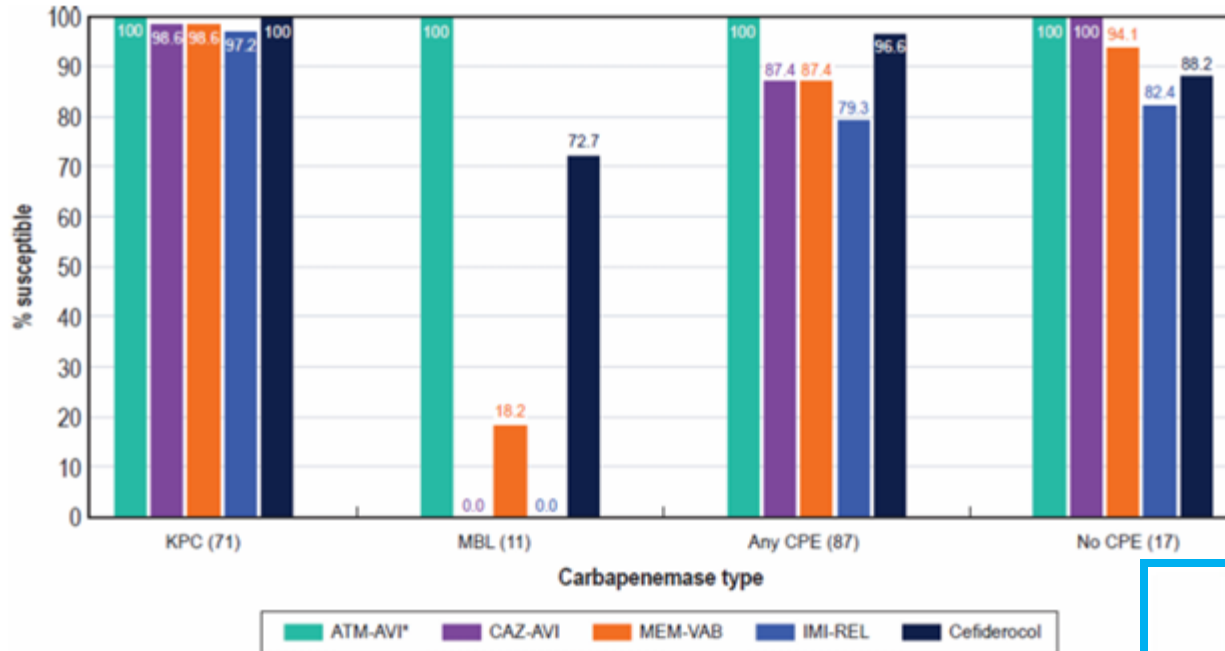


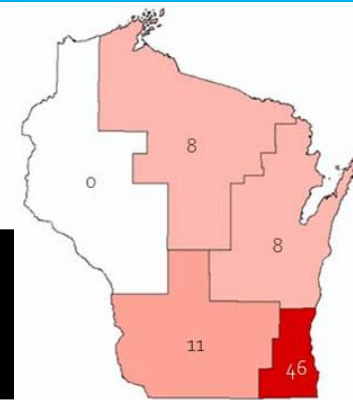
FIG 5 Global distribution of metallo- β -lactamase-positive *Enterobacteriaceae* and *P. aeruginosa*, including NDM-type enzymes collected from 2012 to 2014 from surveillance. (Republished from reference 287).

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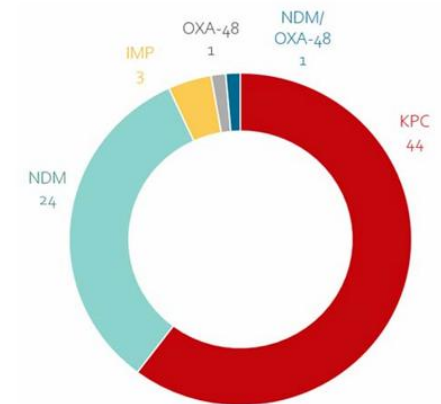


Aztreonam-avibactam
Ceftazidime-avibactam
Meropenem-vaborbactam
Imipenem-relebactam

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Carbapenemase detections in CRE isolates, by region of the state.



Carbapenemase genes detected in CRE isolates by AR-targeted RT-PCR.

ENHANCED RECOMMENDATIONS

Table 2A-1. Enterobacterales (excluding *Salmonella* and *Shigella* spp.) (Continued)

Antimicrobial Agent	Disk Content	Interpretive Categories and Zone Diameter Breakpoints, nearest whole mm				Interpretive Categories and MIC Breakpoints, µg/mL				Comments
		S	SDD	I	R	S	SDD	I	R	
CARBAPENEMS										
Isolates resistant to any carbapenem tested (eg, ertapenem, imipenem, meropenem) should be tested for a carbapenemase using phenotypic and/or molecular assays. An exception to this recommendation is <i>Proteus</i> , <i>Providencia</i> , and <i>Morganella</i> spp. that are only resistant to imipenem. These assays should identify and ideally differentiate the presence of specific carbapenemase types (eg, KPC, NDM, OXA-48, VIM, IMP).										
Decisions related to carbapenemase testing and reporting are best made by each laboratory in consultation with the antimicrobial stewardship team and other relevant institutional stakeholders.										
These results do not replace antimicrobial susceptibility testing, but are important for treatment decisions, and to inform infection control and prevention interventions and/or epidemiologic investigations.										

Introduction to Tables 3B and 3C Tests for Carbapenemases

Introduction to Tables 3B and 3C. Tests for Carbapenemases in Enterobacterales and *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*

Institutional treatment guidelines, infection prevention procedures, or epidemiological investigations may necessitate identification of carbapenemase-producing Enterobacterales and *P. aeruginosa*.¹ **Tests that detect the type of carbapenemase are recommended to inform treatment decisions in carbapenem-resistant Enterobacterales isolates.**

Carbapenemase-producing isolates of Enterobacterales usually test intermediate or resistant to one or more carbapenems using the current breakpoints as listed in Table 2A-1 (**NOTE:** Testing not susceptible to ertapenem is often the most sensitive indicator of carbapenemase production. **Depending on local epidemiology and available resources, carbapenemase testing for *Enterobacter cloacae* complex and *Klebsiella aerogenes* isolates that are only resistant to ertapenem might not be necessary.** Ertapenem resistance in these species is often due to mechanisms other than carbapenemase production and

WHAT CAN BE DONE?

	Tests Used for Carbapenemase Detection			
	Carba NP (Table 3B)	mCIM (Table 3C)	mCIM With eCIM (Table 3C)	Other (eg, molecular assays)
Organisms	Enterobacterales and <i>P. aeruginosa</i> that are not susceptible to one or more carbapenems	Enterobacterales and <i>P. aeruginosa</i> that are not susceptible to one or more carbapenems	Enterobacterales that are positive by mCIM	Enterobacterales and <i>P. aeruginosa</i> that are not susceptible to one or more carbapenems to determine the presence of a carbapenemase, or to determine carbapenemase type in isolates positive by Carba NP or mCIM
Strengths	Rapid	No special reagents or media necessary	No special reagents or media necessary	Determines type of carbapenemase in addition to absence or presence of the enzyme
Limitations	Special reagents are needed, some of which necessitate in-house preparation (and have a short shelf life). Invalid results occur with some isolates. Certain carbapenemase types (eg, OXA-type, chromosomally encoded) are not consistently detected. Does not determine the type of carbapenemase	Requires overnight incubation Does not determine the type of carbapenemase	Requires overnight incubation False-negative results are likely to occur for isolates coproducing a serine carbapenemase and a metallo-β-lactamase. Does not determine the type of serine carbapenemase or metallo-β-lactamase	Special reagents and equipment are needed. Specific to targeted genes; false-negative result if specific carbapenemase gene present is not targeted.

Abbreviations: Carba NP, carbapenemase Nordmann-Poirel; eCIM, EDTA-modified carbapenem inactivation method; EDTA, ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid; mCIM, modified carbapenem inactivation method.

INSTANT REPLAY

Antimicrobial Agent	Disk Content	Interpretive Categories and Zone Diameter Breakpoints, nearest whole mm			Interpretive Categories and MIC Breakpoints, µg/mL			Comments	
		S	I	R	S	I	R		
β-LACTAM COMBINATION AGENTS									
Ticarcillin-clavulanate*	—	—	—	—	≤ 16/2	32/2–64/2	≥ 128/2		
CEPHEMS (PARENTERAL) (Including cephalosporins I, II, III, and IV. Please refer to Glossary I.)									
Ceftazidime					≤ 8	16	≥ 32		
CARBAPENEMS									
Meropenem					≤ 4	8	≥ 16		
TETRACYCLINES									
Minocycline					≤ 4	8	≥ 16		
FLUOROQUINOLONES									
Levofloxacin	—	—	—	—	≤ 2	4	≥ 8		
FOLATE PATHWAY ANTAGONISTS									
Trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole					≤ 2/38	—	≥ 4/76		
PHENICOLS									
Chloramphenicol*	—	—	—	—	≤ 8	16	≥ 32	(4) Not routinely reported on organisms isolated from the urinary tract.	



Where Have All The Flowers Gone

(Original Melody)

Music & Lyrics: Pete Seeger
Arrangement: Yan d'Albert

The image shows a musical score for the song 'Where Have All The Flowers Gone' in 4/4 time. It features two staves of music with guitar chords indicated above the notes. The first staff has chords C, Am, F, and G. The second staff has chords C, Am, F, C, and G. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Where have all the flo - wers gone, _____ long _____ time _____ pas - sing? _____

Where have all the flo - wers gone, _____ long _____ time _____ a - go. _____

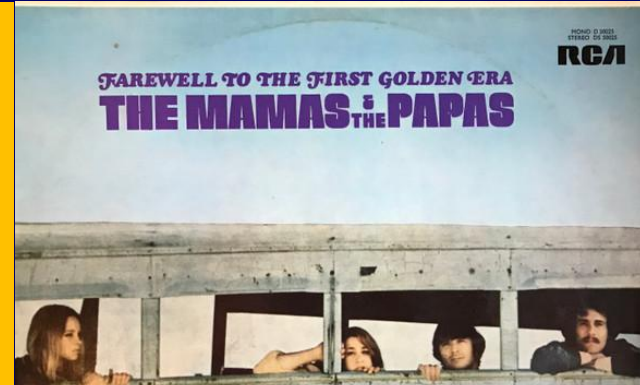


Table 1B-3
Burkholderia cepacia Complex
CLSI M02 and CLSI M07

Table 1B-3. *Burkholderia cepacia* Complex

Refer to Table 2B-3 and Appendix F for information regarding testing of *B. cepacia* complex.

NOTE: Information in boldface type is new or modified since the previous edition.

Burkholderia cepacia complex

Table 2B-3
Burkholderia cepacia Complex
CLSI M02 and CLSI M07

Table 2B-3. MIC Breakpoints for *Burkholderia cepacia* Complex

Testing Conditions

Medium: Broth dilution: CAMHB

Inoculum: Broth culture method or colony suspension, equivalent to a 0.5 McFarland standard

Incubation: 35°C ± 2°C; ambient air; 20–24 hours

QC Recommendations

Refer to the following:

- Table 5A-1 that lists acceptable QC ranges
- Appendix I to develop a QC plan

NONE

Burkholderia cepacia complex

(A) Percentage agreement between triplicate testing by BMD₃₅

Antimicrobial agent	% with identical MICs in triplicate testing	% Agreement (with 1 log ₂ dilution)	% agreement at 2 log ₂ dilutions	% agreement at >2 log ₂ dilutions
Minocycline	32.9%	84.5%	12.9%	2.6%
Ciprofloxacin	32.3%	76.8%	16.8%	6.5%
Trimethoprim-sulphamethoxazole ^a	27.1%	72.9%	21.3%	5.8%
Meropenem	31.6%	70.3%	21.9%	7.7%
Ceftazidime	30.3%	73.6%	12.9%	13.5%
Chloramphenicol	25.2%	79.3%	15.5%	5.2%

(C) Percentage essential agreement (EA) between consensus MIC from BMD₃₅ and AD₃₅

Minocycline	25.8%	66.5%	21.9%	11.6%
Ciprofloxacin	36.1%	80.7%	12.3%	7.1%
Trimethoprim-sulphamethoxazole ^a	30.9%	80%	14.8%	5.2%
Meropenem	11.6%	32.9%	23.9%	43.2%
Ceftazidime	18.7%	52.3%	18.7%	29%
Chloramphenicol	30.3%	70.3%	20%	9.7%

Gradient diffusion

Antimicrobial agent	CA	mE	ME	VME
Minocycline	79.4%	17.4%	1.3%	1.9%
Trimethoprim-sulphamethoxazole ^a	69.0%	—	0%	30.9%
Meropenem	70.9%	20.0%	6.5%	2.4%
Ceftazidime	81.9%	10.9%	1.9%	5.2%
Chloramphenicol	65.8%	27.7%	4.5%	1.9%

EPIDEMIOLOGICAL CUTOFF VALUE

Appendix F
Epidemiological Cutoff Values

Table F1. ECVs for *Burkholderia cepacia* Complex^a

Antimicrobial Agent	Interpretive Category and MIC, µg/mL		Comment
	WT ^{b,c}	NWT	
Ceftazidime	≤ 16	≥ 32	NONE → ECV
Levofloxacin	≤ 8	≥ 16	
Meropenem	≤ 16	≥ 32	
Minocycline	≤ 8	≥ 16	
Trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole	≤ 2	≥ 4	

Abbreviations: ECV, epidemiological cutoff value; MIC, minimal inhibitory concentration; NWT, non-wild-type; WT, wild-type.

Table F2. ECVs for Specific Anaerobic Species

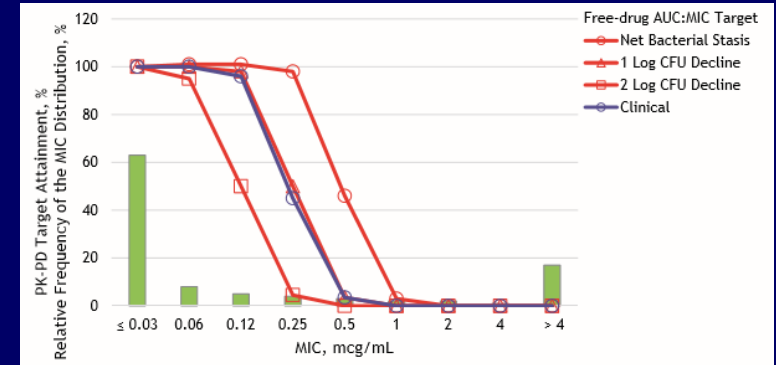
Antimicrobial Agent	Interpretive Category and MIC, µg/mL		Comment
	WT ^a	NWT	
Vancomycin	≤ 2	≥ 4	For use with <i>C. (formerly P.) acnes</i> ⁷⁻¹⁰ and <i>Clostridioides (formerly Clostridium) difficile</i> . ¹¹⁻¹³

MIC or zone diameter value that separates microbial populations into those with and without phenotypic resistance (NWT or WT, respectively)

ECV REMINDER

- These are just *in vitro* (using zones and MICs)
- These are not clinical breakpoints

MIC frequency distributions
Pharmacokinetic data
Pharmacodynamic data
Clinical outcomes



- Don't report S, I, SDD, or R; instead, NWT or WT

DISPENSATION

- *B. cepacia* ECV for some agents lie above drug levels in patients achievable by routine dosing
- Forego testing on basis of inaccurate method, lack of attainable levels
- If test (frozen broth microdilution), comment...

“Correlation of MIC values
with clinical outcome is not known.”

Table 5A-1. (Continued)

Antimicrobial Agent	MIC QC Ranges, $\mu\text{g/mL}$			
	<i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC [®] 25922	<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> ATCC [®] 27853	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> ATCC [®] 29213	<i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> ATCC [®] 29212
Telithromycin	—	—	0.06–0.25	0.016–0.12
Tetracycline	0.5–2	8–32	0.12–1	8–32
Ticarcillin	4–16	8–32	2–8	16–64
Tigecycline ^t	0.03–0.25	—	0.03–0.25	0.03–0.12
Tobramycin	0.25–1	0.25–1	0.12–1	8–32
Trimethoprim ^v	0.5–2	> 64	1–4	0.12–0.5
Trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole ^v (1:19)	$\leq 0.5/9.5$	8/152–32/608	$\leq 0.5/9.5$	$\leq 0.5/9.5$
Trospectomycin	8–32	—	2–16	2–8
Trovafloxacin	0.004–0.016	0.25–2	0.008–0.03	0.06–0.25
Ulifloxacin (prulifloxacin) ^y	0.004–0.016	0.12–0.5	—	—
Uplegan ^{g,z}	0.06–0.25	0.12–0.5	—	—
Vancomycin ^{aa}	—	—	0.5–2	1–4
Zidebactam	0.06–0.25	1–8	—	—
Zoliflodacin	1–4	—	0.12–0.5	0.25–2
Zosurabalpin ^{g,bb,cc}	—	—	—	—

QC range for *Acinetobacter baumannii* NCTC 13304 is 0.016-0.12 $\mu\text{g/mL}$

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Characterization of *Acinetobacter baumannii-calcoaceticus* complex isolates and microbiological outcome for patients treated with sulbactam-durlobactam in a phase 3 trial (ATTACK)

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sulbactam-durlobactam

sulbactam with intrinsic activity vs. *Acinetobacter*
durlobactam active vs. A, C, D serine β -lactamases

CLSI Tier 3; DD and BMD (≤ 4 , 8, ≥ 16)

Antimicrob Agents Chemother. 68:e0169823; 2024

SULBACTAM-DURLOBACTAM

Antibacterial agent	MIC (µg/mL)			% NS (CLSI)
	Range	MIC ₅₀	MIC ₉₀	
Amikacin	1 to >64	>64	>64	85
Cefepime	1 to >16	>16	>16	95
Cefoperazone-sulbactam, 2:1	1 to >32	32	>32	NA
Colistin	≤0.25 to >8	0.5	>8	17 ^b
Imipenem	0.12 to >8	>8	>8	96
Meropenem	0.06 to >8	>8	>8	96
Levofloxacin	0.06 to >4	>4	>4	96
Minocycline	≤0.12 to >16	4	16	43
Tigecycline	0.06 to >4	1	2	NA
Sulbactam	1 to >64	32	>64	NA
Sulbactam-durlobactam	0.25–16	2	4	4.6

Category	ABC baseline isolates, N (%)	SUL-DUR MIC range (µg/mL)	SUL-DUR MIC _{50/90} (µg/mL)
ALL	175 (100)	0.25–16	2/4
CARB-R	168 (96)	0.5–16	2/4
MDR	168 (96)	0.5–16	2/4
XDR	148 (85)	0.5–16	2/4
PDR	26 (15)	1–8	2/4

SULBACTAM-DURLOBACTAM

		SUL-DUR MIC of baseline ABC (µg/mL)			
	Total, N (%)	0.5	1	2	4
All evaluable patients who received SUL-DUR ^a					
Number of patients	87	5	28	43	11
(Presumed) Eradication	63 (72%)	3 (60%)	19 (68%)	32 (75%)	9 (82%)
(Presumed) Persistence	18 (21%)	2 (40%)	5 (18%)	10 (23%)	1 (9%)
Indeterminate	6 (7%)	0	4 (14%)	1 (2%)	1 (9%)

Antimicrob Agents Chemother. 68:e0169823; 2024

19% mortality in serious infections (including pneumonia)

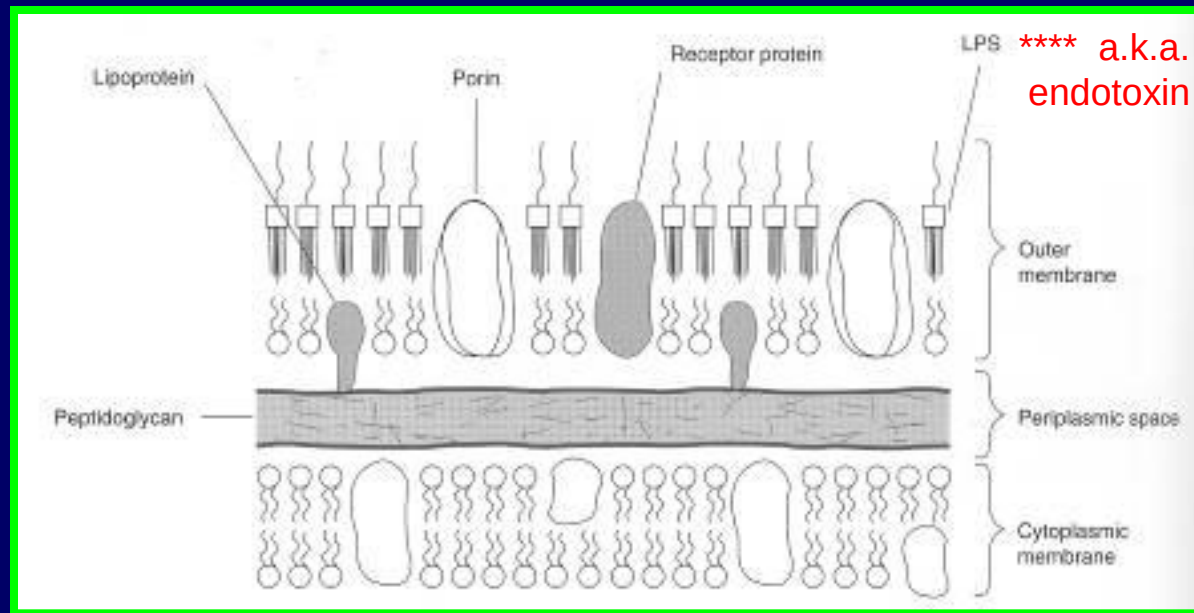
32% mortality for colistin in randomized control trial

Lancet Infect Dis. 23:1072-1084; 2023

Appendix A. (Continued)					
Organism or Organism Group	Antimicrobial Class/Subclass	Antimicrobial Agents and Resistance Phenotypes Detected ^a	Occurrence and Significance of Resistance and Actions to Take Following Confirmation of Results ^a		
			Category I	Category II	Category III
			Not reported or only rarely reported to date	Uncommon in most institutions	May be common but generally considered of epidemiological concern
<i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i> complex	β-Lactam combination agents	Sulbactam-durlobactam – I or R	X		

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A NEW DRUG (MECHANISM)



Lpt → lipopolysaccharide transport (3 components)

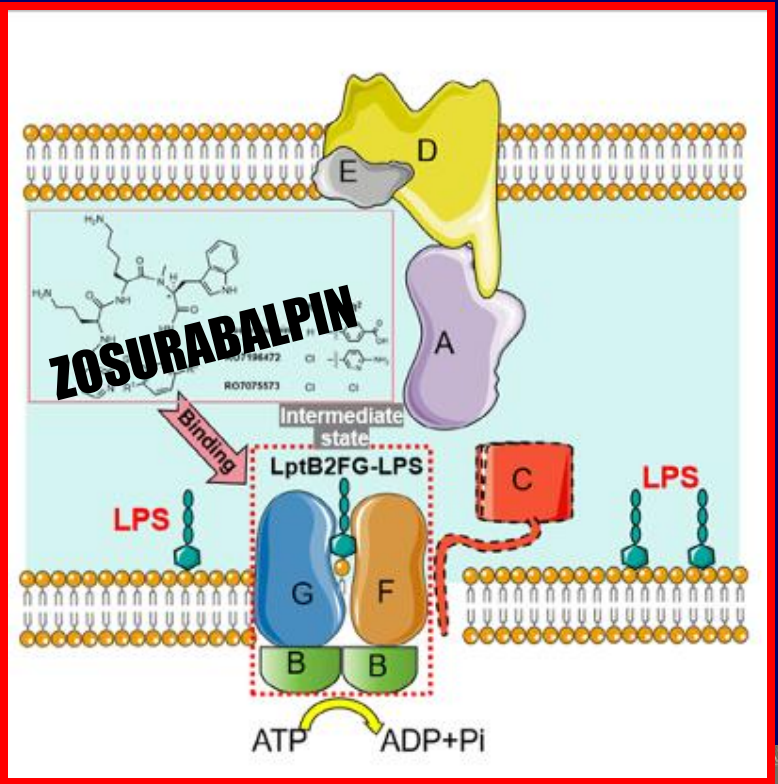
LptB2FGC, inner membrane transport protein complex

LptA, membrane interstitial protein

LptDE, outer membrane protein complex

MedComm. 5:e696; 2024





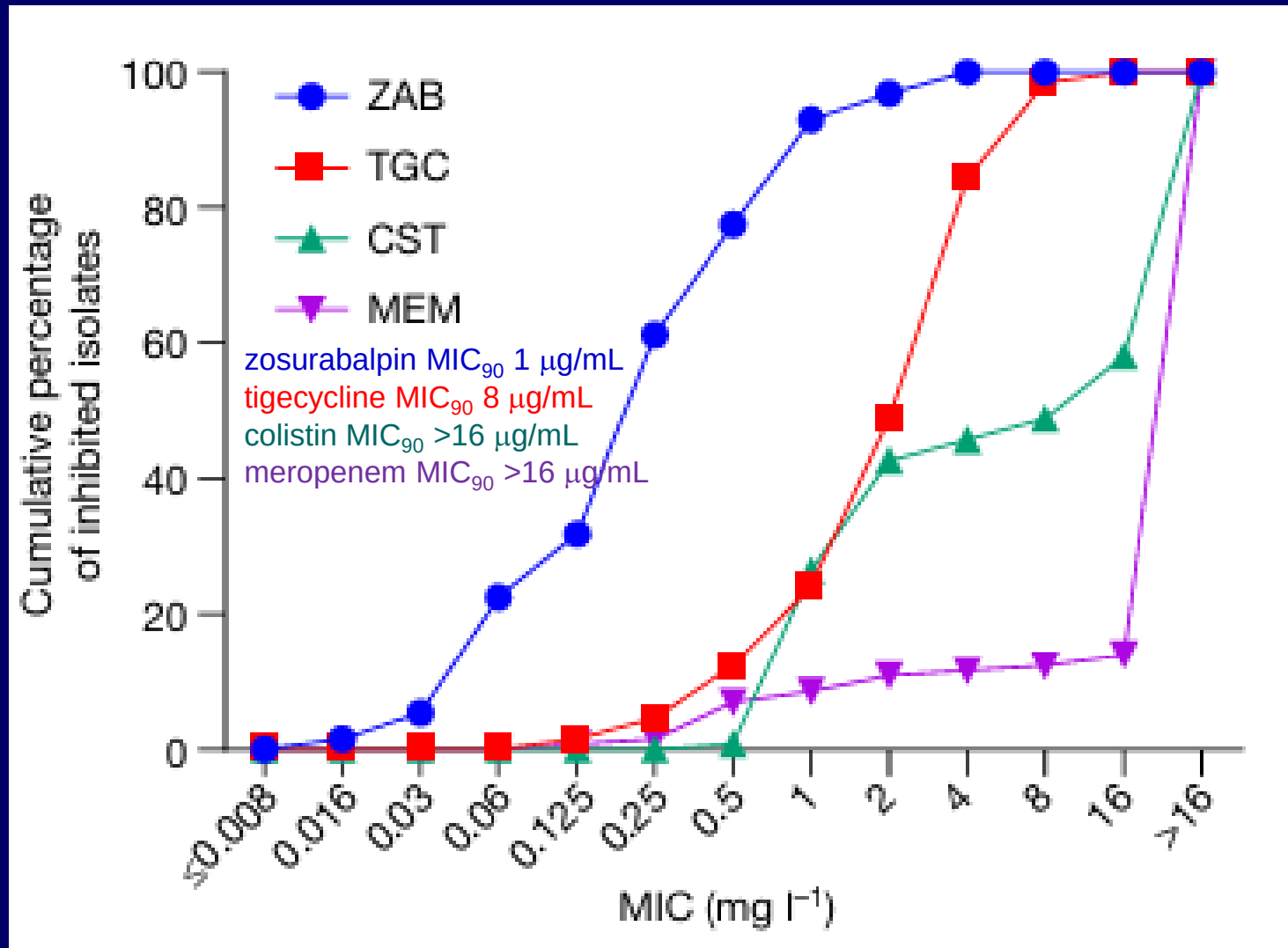
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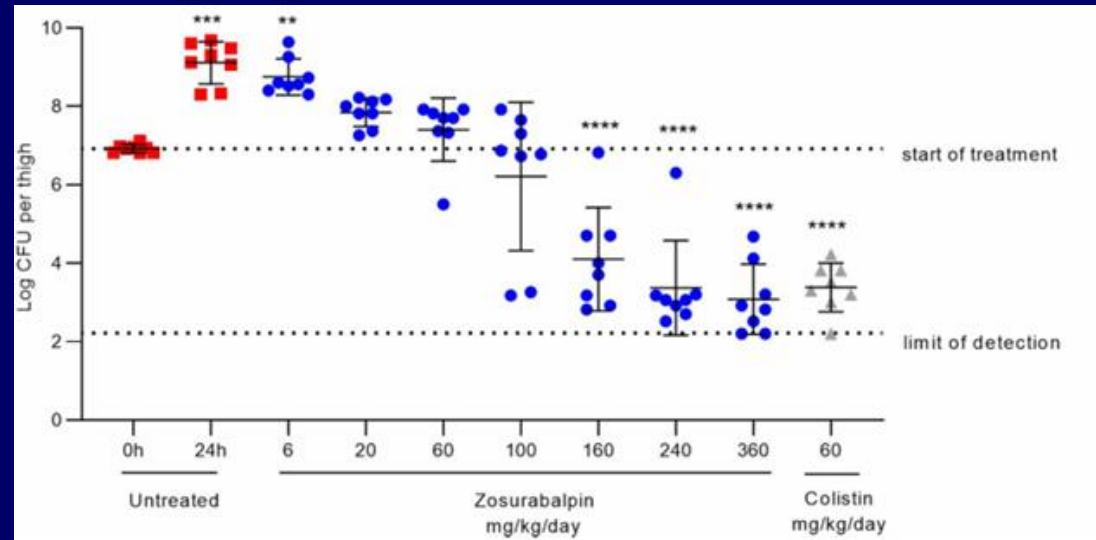
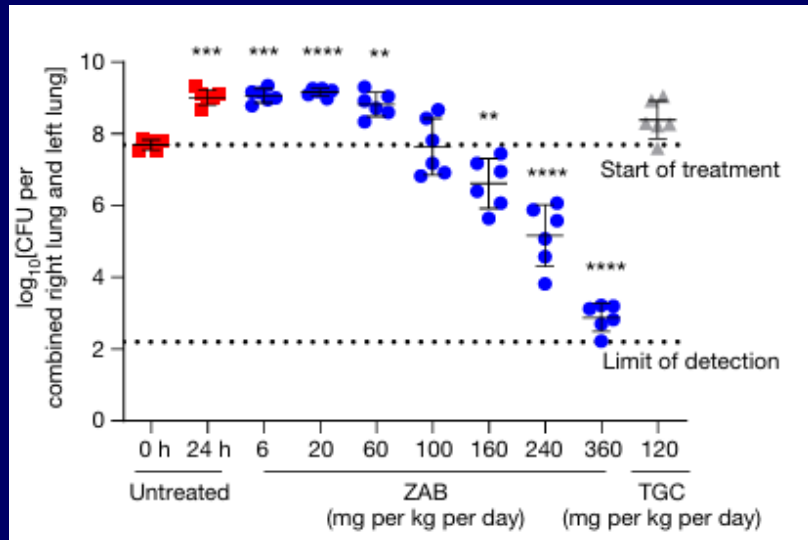
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ZOSURABALPIN EARLY DATA I



Nature 625:566-571; 2024

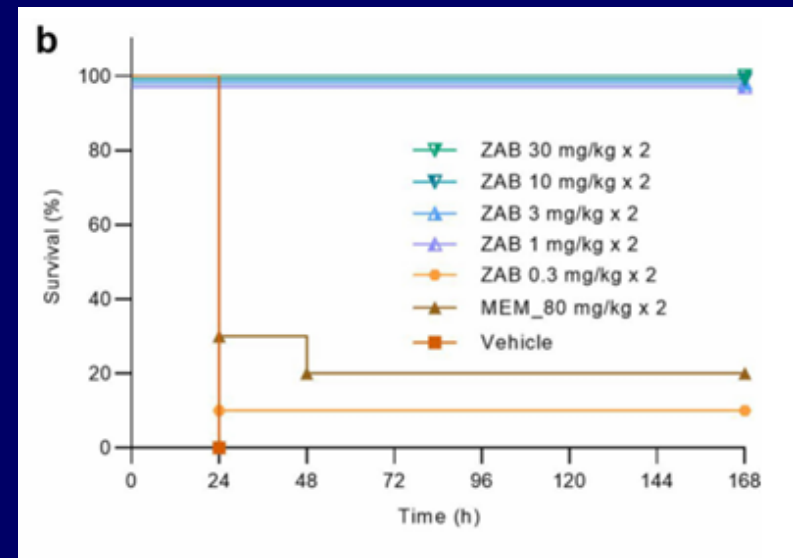
ZOSURABALPIN EARLY DATA II



neutropenic mouse lung infection
zosurabalpin MIC 2 $\mu\text{g/mL}$

neutropenic mouse thigh infection
zosurabalpin MIC 0.5 $\mu\text{g/mL}$

immunocompetent mouse sepsis
zosurabalpin MIC 0.25 $\mu\text{g/mL}$



Nature 625:566-571; 2024

ZOSURABALPIN EARLY DATA III

In Silico Pharmacology (2025) 13:62
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s40203-025-00343-3>

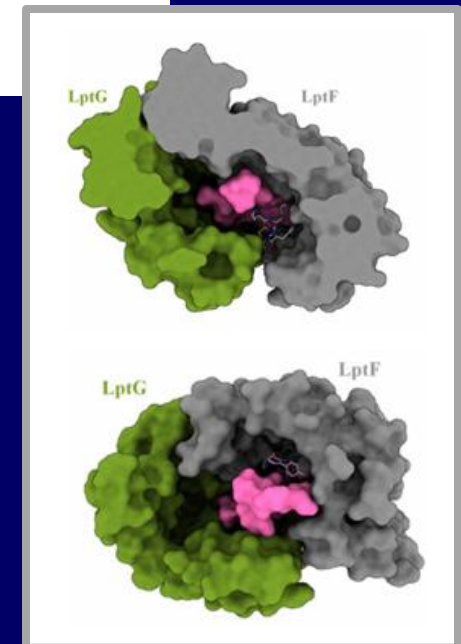
ORIGINAL RESEARCH



In silico analysis of zosurabalpin-LptB2FG binding in *Acinetobacter* spp., *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, and *Shigella flexneri*: mechanisms underlying its differential efficacy

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	A. Baylyi			
	LptB		LptF	
	Identity	Coverage	Identity	Coverage
<i>K. pneumoniae</i>	66.00%	96.80%	24.00%	98.40%
<i>S. flexneri</i>	64.70%	96.80%	24.50%	98.40%



other zosurabalpin derivatives showed increased binding efficiency for *K. pneumoniae*

TABLE 2B-2

● Breakpoint revisions

Organism	Method	Amp-sulbactam Previous			Amp-sulbactam New		
		S	I	R	S	I	R
<i>Acinetobacter</i>	DD	≥ 15	12-14	≤ 11	≥ 22	17-21	≤ 16

Organism	Method	Minocycline Previous			Minocycline New		
		S	I	R	S	I	R
<i>Acinetobacter</i>	BMD	≤ 4	8	≥ 16	≤ 1	2	≥ 4
	DD	≥ 16	13-15	≤ 12	≥ 22	18-21***	≤ 17

● Deleted all doxycycline, tetracycline standards and commentary

CLSI M100-Ed34, 2024; CLSI M100-Ed35, 2025

APPENDIX I

Appendix I Selection of Quality Control Strains and Quality Control Testing Frequency

Table 2A-2. Zone Diameter and MIC Breakpoints for *Salmonella* and *Shigella* spp.

Testing Conditions

Medium: Disk diffusion: MHA
Broth dilution: CAMHB
Agar dilution: MHA

Inoculum: Broth culture method or colony suspension, equivalent to a 0.5 McFarland standard; positive blood culture broth for select antimicrobial agents with disk diffusion (see general comment [5])

Incubation: 35°C ± 2°C; ambient air
Disk diffusion: 16–18 hours
Dilution methods: 16–20 hours

Routine QC Recommendations (see Tables 4A-1 and 5A-1 for acceptable QC ranges)

Escherichia coli ATCC® 25922
Pseudomonas aeruginosa ATCC® 27853 (for carbapenems)
Staphylococcus aureus ATCC® 25923 (for disk diffusion) or *S. aureus* ATCC® 29213 (for dilution methods) when testing azithromycin against *Salmonella enterica* ser. Typhi or *Shigella* spp.

When a commercial test system is used for susceptibility testing, refer to the manufacturer's instructions for QC test recommendations and QC ranges.

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Broth dilution: CAMHB
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Disk diffusion: 16–18 hours
Dilution methods: 16–20 hours

and *Shigella* spp.

QC Recommendations

Refer to the following:

- Tables 4A-1 and 5A-1 that list acceptable QC ranges applicable for each method
- Appendix I to develop a QC plan

When a commercial test system is used for antimicrobial susceptibility testing, refer to the manufacturer's instructions for QC **strains** and QC ranges.

NON-FASTIDIOUS, DD, Gram-negative

Table I1: Example QC Strain Selection for Disk Diffusion Methods When Testing Nonfastidious Gram-Negative Organisms

Antimicrobial Agents	Manufacturer Lot QC ^a	In User's Laboratory		
		New Lot, New Shipment QC	Same Lot, New Shipment QC	Routine QC
Ampicillin	<i>E. coli</i> ATCC® 25922	<i>E. coli</i> ATCC® 25922	<i>E. coli</i> ATCC® 25922	<i>E. coli</i> ATCC® 25922
Cefepime	• <i>E. coli</i> ATCC® 25922 • <i>P. aeruginosa</i> ATCC® 27853 ^c	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> ATCC® 27853 ^c	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> ATCC® 27853 ^c	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> ATCC® 27853 ^c
Cefiderocol				
Ceftriaxone				
Ciprofloxacin				
Gentamicin				
Imipenem ^c				
Tetracycline				
Tigecycline				
Tobramycin				
Trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole	• <i>E. coli</i> ATCC® 25922 • <i>E. faecalis</i> ATCC® 29212	• <i>E. coli</i> ATCC® 25922 • <i>E. faecalis</i> ATCC® 29212	<i>E. coli</i> ATCC® 25922	<i>E. coli</i> ATCC® 25922
Amoxicillin-clavulanate ^{c,d}	<i>E. coli</i> ATCC® 35218 ^c	<i>E. coli</i> ATCC® 35218 ^c	<i>E. coli</i> ATCC® 35218 ^c	<i>E. coli</i> ATCC® 35218 ^c
Piperacillin-tazobactam ^d				
Ceftazidime-avibactam ^d	<i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® 700603	<i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® 700603	<i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® 700603	<i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® 700603
Ceftolozane-tazobactam ^d				
Imipenem-relebactam ^{c,d}	<i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® BAA-1705™ or <i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® BAA-2814™	<i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® BAA-1705™ or <i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® BAA-2814™	<i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® BAA-1705™ or <i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® BAA-2814™	<i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® BAA-1705™ or <i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® BAA-2814™
Meropenem-vaborbactam ^d				

Abbreviations: ATCC®, American Type Culture Collection; QC, quality control.

NON-FASTIDIOUS, DD, Gram-positive

Table I2: Example QC Strain Selection for Disk Diffusion Methods When Testing Nonfastidious Gram-Positive Organisms

Antimicrobial Agents	Manufacturer Lot QC*	In User's Laboratory		
		New Lot, New Shipment QC	Same Lot, New Shipment QC	Routine QC
Ampicillin	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> ATCC® ^b 25923	<i>S. aureus</i> ATCC® 25923	<i>S. aureus</i> ATCC® 25923	<i>S. aureus</i> ATCC® 25923
Cefoxitin				
Ciprofloxacin				
Clindamycin				
Erythromycin				
Oxacillin				
Tetracycline				
Vancomycin				
Trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole	• <i>S. aureus</i> ATCC® 25923 • <i>E. faecalis</i> ATCC® 29212	• <i>S. aureus</i> ATCC® 25923 • <i>E. faecalis</i> ATCC® 29212	<i>S. aureus</i> ATCC® 25923	<i>S. aureus</i> ATCC® 25923

Abbreviations: ATCC®, American Type Culture Collection; QC, quality control.

NON-FASTIDIOUS, BMD, Gram-negative

Table I3: Example QC Strain Selection for MIC Methods When Testing Nonfastidious Gram-Negative Organisms

Antimicrobial Agents	Manufacturer Lot QC ^a	In User's Laboratory		
		New Lot, New Shipment QC	Same Lot, New Shipment QC	Routine QC
Ampicillin	<i>E. coli</i> ATCC® 25922	<i>E. coli</i> ATCC® 25922	<i>E. coli</i> ATCC® 25922	<i>E. coli</i> ATCC® 25922
Cefazolin				
Cefepime	• <i>E. coli</i> ATCC® 25922 • <i>P. aeruginosa</i> ATCC® 27853 ^c	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> ATCC® 27853 ^c	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> ATCC® 27853 ^c	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> ATCC® 27853 ^c
Cefiderocol				
Ceftriaxone				
Ciprofloxacin				
Gentamicin				
Imipenem ^c				
Tetracycline				
Tigecycline				
Tobramycin				
Trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole	• <i>E. coli</i> ATCC® 25922 • <i>E. faecalis</i> ATCC® 29212	• <i>E. coli</i> ATCC® 25922 • <i>E. faecalis</i> ATCC® 29212	<i>E. coli</i> ATCC® 25922	<i>E. coli</i> ATCC® 25922
Amoxicillin-clavulanate ^{c,d}	<i>E. coli</i> ATCC® 35218 ^c or <i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® 700603 ^c	<i>E. coli</i> ATCC® 35218 ^c or <i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® 700603 ^c	<i>E. coli</i> ATCC® 35218 ^c or <i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® 700603 ^c	<i>E. coli</i> ATCC® 35218 ^c or <i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® 700603 ^c
Piperacillin-tazobactam ^d				
Ceftazidime-avibactam ^d	<i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® 700603	<i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® 700603	<i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® 700603	<i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® 700603
Ceftolozane-tazobactam ^d				
Imipenem-relebactam ^{c,d}	<i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® BAA-1705™ or <i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® BAA-2814™	<i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® BAA-1705™ or <i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® BAA-2814™	<i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® BAA-1705™ or <i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® BAA-2814™	<i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® BAA-1705™ or <i>K. pneumoniae</i> ATCC® BAA-2814™
Meropenem-vaborbactam ^d				

Abbreviations: ATCC®, American Type Culture Collection; MIC, minimal inhibitory concentration; QC, quality control.

NON-FASTIDIOUS, BMD, Gram-positive

Table I4: Example QC Strain Selection for MIC Methods when Testing Nonfastidious Gram-Positive Organisms

Antimicrobial Agents	Manufacturer Lot QC*	In User's Laboratory		
		New Lot, New Shipment QC	Same Lot, New Shipment QC	Routine QC
Ampicillin	• <i>S. aureus</i> ATCC® 29213 • <i>E. faecalis</i> ATCC® 29212	• <i>S. aureus</i> ATCC® 29213 • <i>E. faecalis</i> ATCC® 29212	<i>S. aureus</i> ATCC® 29213 or <i>E. faecalis</i> ATCC® 29212	<i>S. aureus</i> ATCC® 29213 or <i>E. faecalis</i> ATCC® 29212
Ciprofloxacin				
Clindamycin				
Daptomycin				
Erythromycin				
Tetracycline				
Vancomycin				
Cefoxitin	<i>S. aureus</i> ATCC® 29213	<i>S. aureus</i> ATCC® 29213	<i>S. aureus</i> ATCC® 29213	<i>S. aureus</i> ATCC® 29213
Oxacillin	• <i>S. aureus</i> ATCC® 29213 • <i>E. faecalis</i> ATCC® 29212	<i>S. aureus</i> ATCC® 29213	<i>S. aureus</i> ATCC® 29213	<i>S. aureus</i> ATCC® 29213
Trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole	• <i>S. aureus</i> ATCC® 29213 • <i>E. faecalis</i> ATCC® 29212	• <i>S. aureus</i> ATCC® 29213 • <i>E. faecalis</i> ATCC® 29212	<i>S. aureus</i> ATCC® 29213	<i>S. aureus</i> ATCC® 29213

Abbreviations: ATCC®, American Type Culture Collection; MIC, minimal inhibitory concentration; QC, quality control.

WE KNOW THE DRILL...

- CMS requires laboratories in the United States to perform appropriate QC testing for AST:

Each lot/batch/shipment of media

Each lot/batch/shipment of agents

(before, or concurrent with initial use)

- Also must be performed each day of testing
- IQCP can reduce AST QC workload

ADDITIONAL APPENDIX I GUIDANCE

- CLSI M23 reference (for IQCP)
- Types of Quality Control errors
- Selection of Quality Control strains
- Quality Control plan (selection of strains, frequency of testing)
- Indicators to detect AST system problems

BAR TRIVIA

- Imipenem and clavulanate most temperature-labile

Imipenem *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* ATCC 27853
Escherichia coli ATCC 35218

Clavulanate *K. pneumoniae* ATCC 700603

- pH, Ca^{2+} , and Mg^{2+} parameters

Pseudomonas aeruginosa ATCC 27853

- Thymidine content (trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole)

Enterococcus faecalis ATCC 27853





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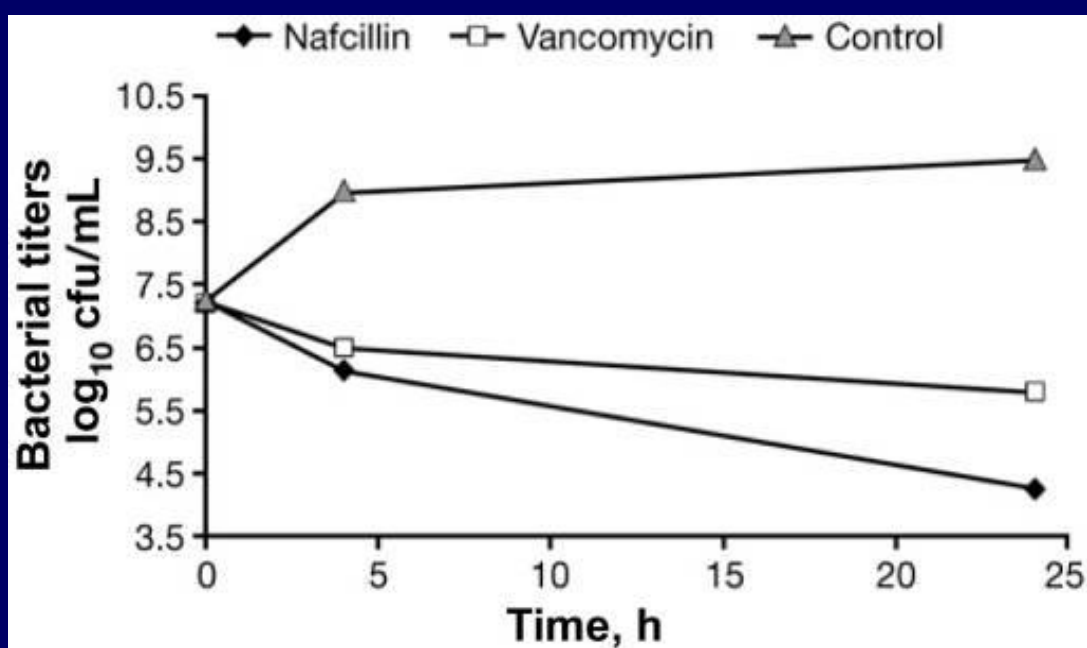


CHANGES (JUST ONE), AGAIN

Table 2C
Staphylococcus spp.
CLSI M02 and CLSI M07

Table 2C. *Staphylococcus* spp. (Continued)

Methods or Targets for Detection of Methicillin (Oxacillin)-Resistant <i>Staphylococcus</i> spp.								
Organism	Disk Diffusion		MIC		<i>mecA</i>	PBP2a	Oxacillin Salt Agar	
	Cefoxitin	Oxacillin	Cefoxitin	Oxacillin				
<i>S. aureus</i>	Yes (16–18 h)	No	Yes (16–20 h)	Yes (24 h)	Yes	Yes	Yes (24 h)	
SOSA <i>S. lugdunensis</i>	Yes (16–18 h)	No	Yes (16–20 h)	Yes (24 h)	Yes	Yes	No	
<i>S. epidermidis</i>	Yes (24 h)	Yes (16–18 h)	No	Yes (24 h)	Yes	Yes	No	
<i>S. pseudintermedius</i>	No	Yes (16–18 h)	No	Yes (24 h)	Yes	Yes	No	
<i>S. coagulans</i>	No	Yes (16–18 h)	No	Yes (24 h)	Yes	Yes	No	
<i>S. schleiferi</i>								
<i>Staphylococcus</i> spp. (not listed above or not identified to the species level)	Yes, with exceptions ^a (24 h)	No	No	Yes (24 h)	Yes	Yes	No	



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Use of Rapid Diagnostics To Manage Pediatric Bloodstream Infections? You Bet Your ASP!

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Table 3F-1. Test for Performing Disk Diffusion Directly From Positive Blood Culture Broth

Test	Direct Disk Diffusion
Test method	Disk diffusion using positive blood culture broth
Organism group	Enterobacterales, <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> , and <i>Acinetobacter</i> spp.
Medium	MHA
Antimicrobial concentration	Standard disk contents for the antimicrobial agents are detailed in Table 3F-2 (Enterobacterales), Table 3F-3 (<i>P. aeruginosa</i>), and Table 3F-4 (<i>Acinetobacter</i> spp.).
Inoculum	Positive blood culture broth with gram-negative bacilli, used within 8 h of flagging positive by the blood culture system
Test procedure	1. Invert blood culture bottle 5–10 times to thoroughly mix. 2. Sterilize the top of the bottle with an alcohol wipe (allow to dry) and insert 20-gauge venting needle into the blood culture bottle. 3. Dispense 4 drops of blood culture broth onto an MHA plate. As a purity check, use an inoculated blood agar plate streaked for isolation. 4. Spread blood culture broth across the entire surface of the MHA plate using a sterile cotton swab. 5. Repeat this procedure by streaking twice more, rotating the plate approximately 60 degrees each time to ensure an even distribution of inoculum. 6. Leave the lid ajar for 3–5 minutes (ideally) but no more than 15 minutes. 7. Dispense antimicrobial disks onto the surface of the inoculated MHA plate. 8. Press each disk down to ensure complete contact with the agar surface. 9. Invert the plate and place in the incubator within 15 minutes of disks being applied.
Incubation conditions	35°C ± 2°C; ambient air
Incubation length	8–10 h or 16–18 h (refer to Tables 3F-2, 3F-3, and 3F-4 for antimicrobial agent–specific incubation lengths)
Results	1. Examine the blood agar purity plate to ensure pure growth. 2. Examine the test plate to ensure confluent lawn of growth appropriate to read disk zone tests per CLSI M02.¹ 3. Measure the zone diameters according to routine disk diffusion recommendations in CLSI M02.¹ 4. Interpret results using the zone diameter breakpoints in Tables 3F-2, 3F-3, and 3F-4 if the gram-negative bacillus tested is confirmed to be an Enterobacterales, <i>P. aeruginosa</i>, or <i>Acinetobacter</i> spp., respectively. If species is identified as another organism, do not interpret or report results. 5. Report only the interpretive category and not the measured zone size.

4

35 ± 2

8-10 or
16-18

Daily or IQCP; *E. coli* ATCC 25922, *P. aeruginosa* ATCC 27853,
E. coli ATCC 35218

EARLY-READ QUALITY CONTROL

Supplemental early reading – optional

- Ranges have been established for early reading (8–10 h) of select QC strain/antimicrobial agent combinations as shown below. This testing is performed using a 0.5 McFarland standardized inoculum (standard disk diffusion QC procedures per CLSI M02¹).
- Early reading of QC strains can be used to train staff or assess competency but is not necessary for routine QC.

Antimicrobial Agent	Disk Content	Optional Early Read (8–10 h) Ranges, mm		
		<i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC [®] 25922	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> ATCC [®] 27853	<i>E. coli</i> ATCC [®] 35218
Ampicillin	10 µg	15–22	–	–
Ampicillin-sulbactam	10/10 µg	–	–	13–19
Ciprofloxacin	5 µg	29–38	–	–
Ertapenem	10 µg	–	13–21	–
Tobramycin	10 µg	18–26	–	–
Trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole	1.25/23.75 µg	23–29	–	–

TABLE 3F-2 NEWBIES

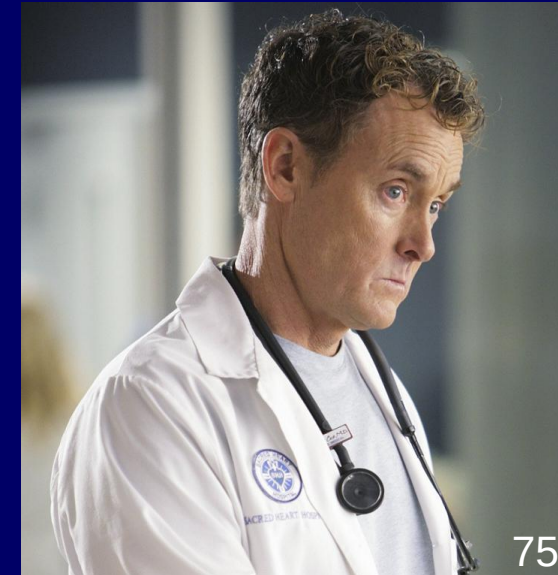
Agent	Concentration	Incubation time (hours)	Zone Diameters (mm)		
			S	I	R
cefepime	30 µg	8-10	≥ 23	19-22	≤ 18
		16-18	≥ 23	19-22	≤ 18

* fluoroquinolone breakpoints do not apply to *Salmonella* spp.

* aztreonam, ceftazidime, tobramycin do not apply to *Salmonella* spp., *Shigella* spp.

9 agents
17 breakpoints

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Glucose fermenters

Reduce nitrates to nitrites

Non-spore-forming GNR

Grows on routine media

Facultative

Oxidase-negative (except *Plesiomonas*)

TABLE 3F-3 NEWBIES

Agent	Concentration	Incubation time (hours)	Zone Diameters (mm)		
			S	I	R
ceftazidime	30 µg	8-10	≥ 18		≤ 14

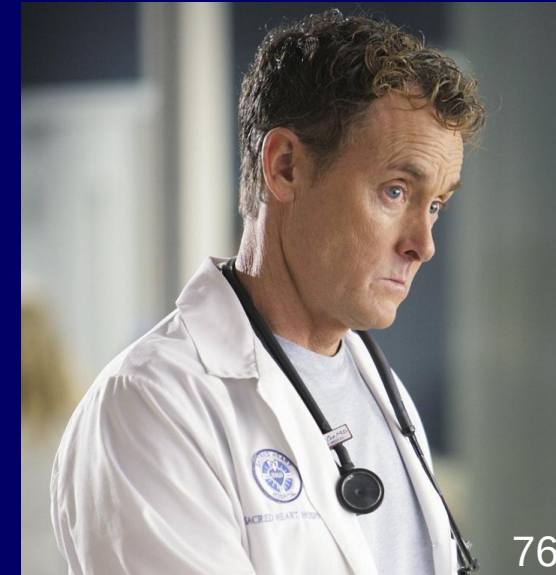
* confirmatory cefepime MIC testing for zone diameters 15-17 mm

* if ceftazidime zone is 15-17 mm at 8-10 h, reincubate and read at 16-18 h



5 agents
9 breakpoints

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Acinetobacter spp. NEWBIES

Agent	Concentration	Incubation time (hours)	Zone Diameters (mm)		
			S	I	R
ceftazidime	30 µg	8-10	≥ 17	15-16	≤ 14
ampicillin-sulbactam	10/10 µg	8-10	≥ 22	17-21	≤ 16
piperacillin-tazobactam	100/10 µg	8-10	≥ 19	17-18	≤ 16
		16-18	≥ 19	17-18	≤ 16

9 agents
18 breakpoints

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TABLE 3F-4 REVISION

Agent	Concentration	Incubation time (hours)	Zone Diameters (mm)		
			S	I	R
ampicillin-sulbactam	10/10 µg	16-18	≥ 22	17-21	≤ 16

*Everything
Increased
(matches novel 8-10 h breakpoints)*

one BEE GEES



Table 1



TABLE 1 IMPORTANT Δ s

● Aztreonam (Table 1A)

Tier 4 agent

Can be cascaded as Tier 3 agent at institutions with
↑ risk of metallo- β -lactamase *Enterobacterales*

● Anaerobes (Table 1J)

Penicillin listed as Tier 4 agent vs. Gram-negatives

Penicillin with good activity vs. *Fusobacterium* spp.

(therefore, consider for primary testing, reporting)

β -lactamases have been reported in *Fusobacterium*



Table 2

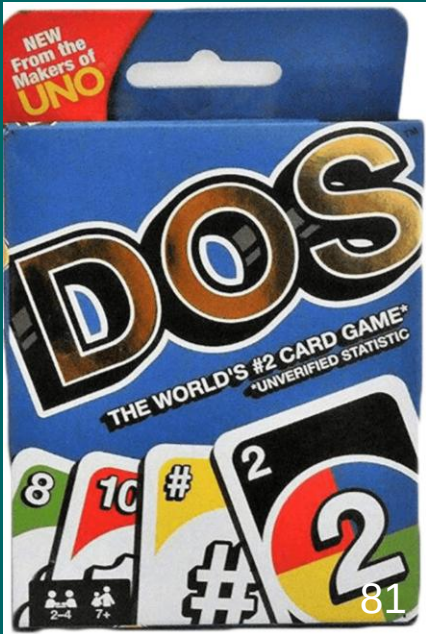


TABLE 2 IMPORTANT Δ s

- *Staphylococcus aureus* complex (Table 2C)

S. aureus, *S. argenteus*, *S. schweitzeri*

CLSI method evaluation applicable only to *S. aureus*

Report as “*S. aureus* complex (*S. argenteus*)” w/ *S. aureus* AST

- Anaerobes (Table 2J)

Agar dilution (MIC) has been mainstay (42-48 hrs)

Added broth microdilution method (46-48 hrs)

Bacteroides fragilis, *Bacteroides thetaiotaomicron*

- Two “dosing table” additions (*Ac*); one revision (*Pa*)



Table 3



AS A REMINDER...

Table 3A
Tests for ESBLs

Table 3B
CarbaNP Test for Suspected Carbapenemase Production

Table 3C
Modified Carbapenem Inactivation Methods

Table 3D
Aztreonam Plus Ceftazidime-Avibactam Broth Disk Elution Method

Table 3E
Tests for Colistin Resistance for
Enterobacterales and *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*

Table 3F-1
Test for Performing Disk Diffusion Directly From Positive Blood Culture Broth

Table 3G
Tests for β -Lactamase Production in *Staphylococcus* spp.

Table 3H
Oxacillin Salt Agar Test for Methicillin (Oxacillin) Resistance in *Staphylococcus aureus*

Table 3I
Vancomycin Agar Screen for *Staphylococcus aureus* and *Enterococcus* spp.

Table 3J
Tests for Inducible Clindamycin Resistance in *Staphylococcus* spp.,
Streptococcus pneumoniae, and *Streptococcus* spp. β -Hemolytic Group

Table 3K
Test for High-Level Mupirocin Resistance in *Staphylococcus aureus*

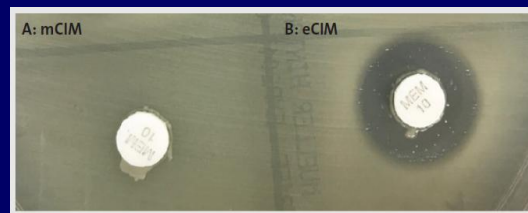
Table 3L
Test for High-Level Aminoglycoside Resistance in *Enterococcus* spp.

TABLE 3C

mCIM and eCIM Combination Test		
mCIM Result	eCIM Result	Report
Negative	Do not interpret	Carbapenemase not detected
Positive	Negative	Serine carbapenemase detected; metallo- β -lactamase inconclusive. Call laboratory to discuss. ^b
Positive	Positive	Metallo- β -lactamase detected
Inconclusive	Do not interpret	Testing inconclusive for the presence of carbapenemase. Call laboratory to discuss. ^a



neg non-valid
carbapenemase not detected



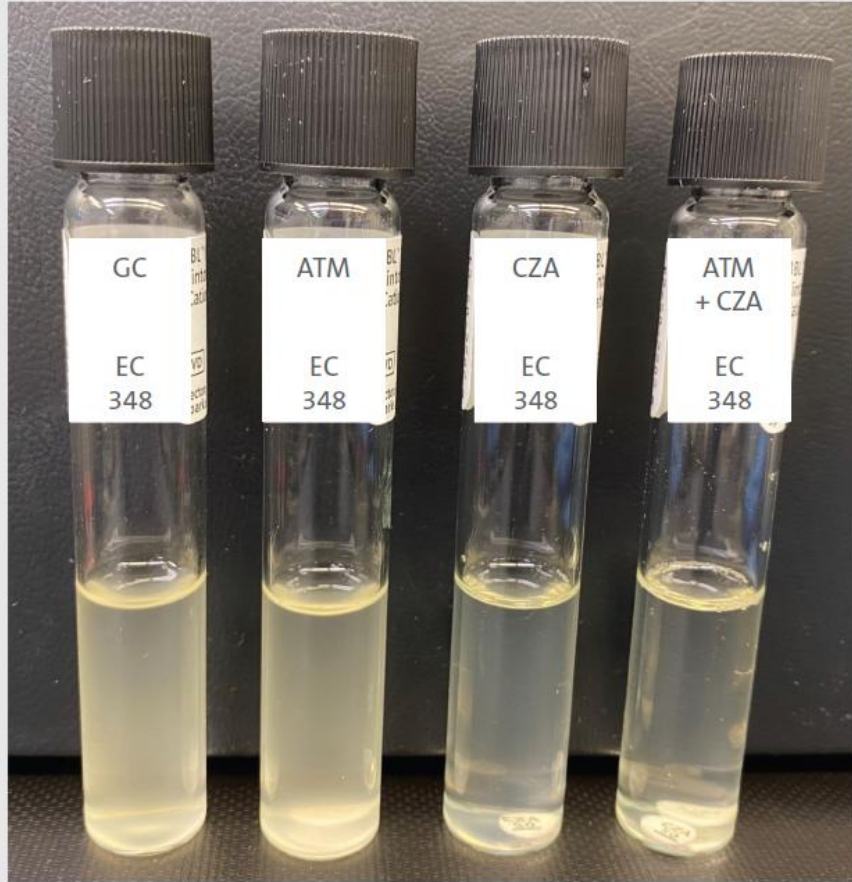
pos pos
metallo- β -lactamase detected



pos neg
serine carbapenemase detected
metallo- β -lactamase inconclusive

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TABLE 3D



aztreonam plus ceftazidime-avibactam
broth disk elution method

additional QC strains
Escherichia coli AR Bank #0434
Escherichia coli AR Bank #0450

Escherichia coli AR Bank #0348

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Table 4



SOME DD QC ADDITIONS/REVISIONS

<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> ATCC 700603	ceftibuten-avibactam
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> ATCC BAA-1705	ceftibuten-avibactam
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> ATCC BAA-2814	ceftibuten-avibactam
<i>Escherichia coli</i> NCTC 13353	ceftibuten-avibactam
<i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC 25922	minocycline ceftibuten-avibactam



Table 5

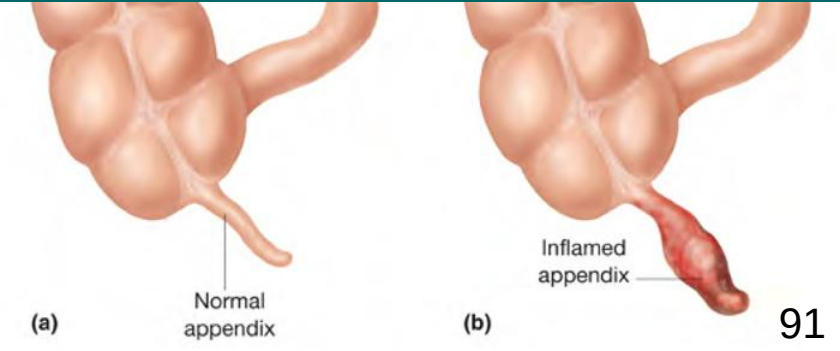


SOME MIC QC ADDITIONS/REVISIONS

<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> ATCC BAA-1705	ceftibuten-xeruborbactam
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> ATCC BAA-2814	ceftibuten-xeruborbactam
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> ATCC 700603	ceftibuten-xeruborbactam
<i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i> NCTC 13304	zosurabalpin



Appendices



REVISED APPENDIX H

- Modifications of the CLSI M07 broth microdilution method may be required (cefiderocol)
- Exebacase (*S. aureus*, SOSA, β -hemolytic *Strep.*)
 - CAMHB w/ 25% horse serum, 0.5 mM DL-dithiothreitol
 - S. aureus* 16-20 hours ambient;
 - SOSA 20-24 hours, 5% CO₂
 - β -*Strep.* 20-24 hours, ambient
 - Read MIC at complete inhibition



Thank you for your attention.
Have a better 2025.