

Antibiotics: Resistance, Interactions, Adverse Effects, Oh My!

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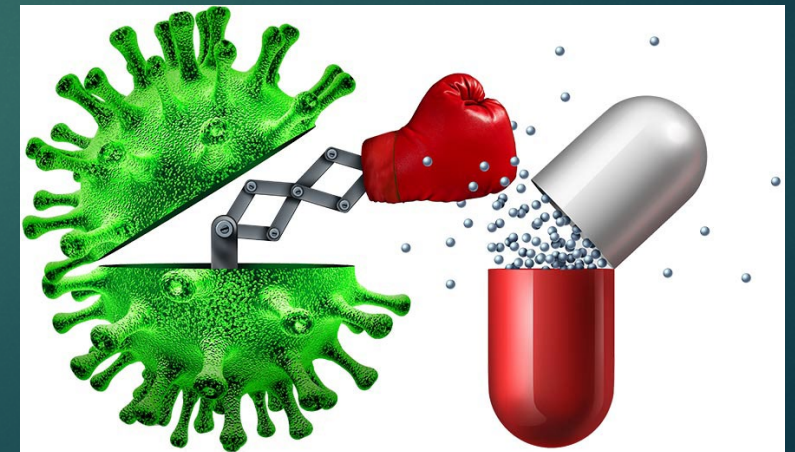
- ▶ Identify emerging resistance and which antibiotics to use empirically
- ▶ Discuss drug-drug interactions with antibiotics and how to avoid them or provide optimal treatment
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Emerging Resistance

ANTIBIOTICS ARE UNLIKE ANY OTHER DRUG, IN THAT THE USE OF THE DRUG IN ONE PATIENT CAN COMPROMISE ITS EFFICACY IN ANOTHER PATIENT!



Resistance in the US

- ▶ Definition: when microorganisms develop the ability to defeat the drugs that were designed to kill them
- ▶ 2.8 million antibiotic-resistance infections each year
- ▶ More than 35,000 deaths as a result
 - ▶ Decreased by 18% since first resistance report in 2013

2019 Antibiotic Resistance US Report

- ▶ 18 microorganisms in the report
- ▶ Urgent, serious, and concerning threats + a watch list
 - ▶ **Urgent**
 - ▶ Carbapenem-resistant *Acinetobacter*
 - ▶ *Candida auris*
 - ▶ *Clostridium difficile*
 - ▶ Carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE)
 - ▶ Drug-resistant *Neisseria gonorrhoeae*

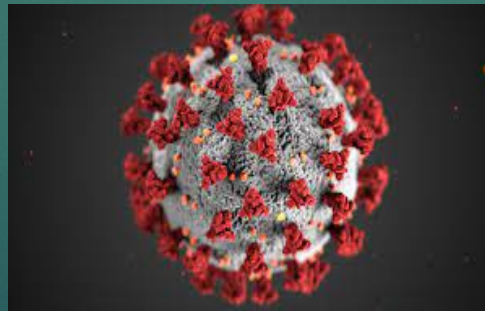
2019 Antibiotic Resistance US Report

▶ Serious Threats

- ▶ Drug-resistance *Candida*
- ▶ Extended-spectrum beta-lactamase (ESBL)-producing *Enterobacteriaceae*
- ▶ Vancomycin-resistant *Enterococci* (VRE)
- ▶ Multidrug-resistance *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*
- ▶ Methicillin-resistance *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA)
- ▶ Drug-resistant *Streptococcus pneumonia*

A VIRUS did what!?!?

- ▶ New data (lost progress in the war against resistance)
 - ▶ 15% increase in antibiotic-resistant infections and deaths in hospitals in 2020
 - ▶ ~80% of pts hospitalized with COVID-19 (A VIRUS) received an abx between March-October 2020



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<https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2022/s0712-Antimicrobial-Resistance.html>
<https://www.cdc.gov/drugresistance/pdf/covid19-impact-report-508.pdf>



A VIRUS did what!?!?

- ▶ Carbapenem-resistance *Acinetobacter*: 78% ↑
- ▶ Multidrug-resistant *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*: 32% ↑
- ▶ ESBL-producing Enterobacterales: 32% ↑
- ▶ Vancomycin-resistant *Enterococcus* (VRE): 14% ↑
- ▶ Methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA): 13% ↑
- ▶ *Candida auris*: 60% ↑
- ▶ Only healthcare-associated pathogen to **improve**: *Clostridioides difficile*

South Dakota's statewide antibiogram (2018)





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Gram negative organisms						
 SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  SDSU South Dakota State University College of Pharmacy	Salmonella spp.	Klebsiella pneumoniae	Pseudomonas aeruginosa	Escherichia coli	Extended spectrum beta-lactamase (ESBL) E. coli†	Proteus spp.
Antibiotic	% Susceptible and (n) number of isolates tested					
Ertapenem		100(2574)		99(15564)	100(403)	100(862)
Imipenem		100(1154)	93(723)	99(6720)		83(54)
Meropenem		96(2713)	95(1862)	99(16447)	100(48)	100(1016)
Amoxicillin/Clavulanic acid		96(287)		88(1914)		100(53)
Ampicillin/Sulbactam		88(2486)		67(15394)		86(1182)
Cefazolin		95(3218)		90(19488)		90(1174)
Cefepime		97(3152)	94(2056)	96(18975)		97(1138)
Cefotaxime		96(183)		93(1191)		98(54)
Ceftazidime		98(2485)	94(1495)	96(15408)		98(1182)
Ceftriaxone	97(58)	97(3238)		95(19733)		97(1182)
Ampicillin	87(177)	1(1651)		60(19664)		81(1180)
Piperacillin/Tazobactam		96(3246)	98(2142)	96(19605)	61(106)	98(1181)
Ciprofloxacin	92(177)	97(3300)	88(2169)	85(19943)	20(451)	73(1182)
Levofloxacin	100(41)	98(3181)	86†(2098)	85(19560)	20(451)	78(1138)
Tobramycin		98(3195)	98(2162)	94(19580)		92(1182)
Gentamicin		98(3284)	93(2163)	94(19855)	77(438)	91(1180)
Nitrofurantoin*		37(2395)		97(15003)	90(438)	0(360)
Trimethoprim/Sulfamethoxazole		93(3232)		81(19749)	45(451)	80(1179)
Tetracycline		85(959)		81(5879)		
	>5% increase in susceptibility from 2013			>5% decrease in susceptibility from 2013		
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Gram Negatives

- *E coli*
 - 96%: Zosyn
 - 95%: ceftriaxone
 - 90%: cefazolin
 - 85%: cipro/levofloxacin
 - 81%: trimeth/sulfa
- *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*
 - 98%: Zosyn
 - 95%: meropenem
 - 94%: cefepime/ceftazidime
 - 88%: ciprofloxacin

<https://doh.sd.gov/diseases/hai/2015antibiogram.aspx>

Gram positive organisms										
 SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  South Dakota State University College of Pharmacy	Staphylococcus aureus†	Methicillin-susceptible S. aureus (MSSA)	Methicillin-resistant S. aureus (MRSA)	Streptococcus pyogenes	Streptococcus agalactiae	Streptococcus pneumoniae [^]	Streptococcus pneumoniae (meningitis)	Streptococcus pneumoniae (non-meningitis)	Enterococcus faecalis	Enterococcus faecium
	Antibiotic	% Susceptible and (n) number of isolates tested								
Amoxicillin/Clavulanic acid										
Cefepime										
Cefotaxime						100(29)	86(133)	98(133)		
Ceftriaxone				100(50)	100(101)	95(39)	92(512)	97(512)		
Ampicillin					100(154)				99(2294)	68 [†] (584)
Oxacillin‡	55(772)	100(3566)	0(874)							
Penicillin‡		35(1462)	0(728)	100(89)	99(220)	74(38)	66(509)	97(509)	98(2753)	56(674)
Ciprofloxacin										
Levofloxacin				98(61)	100(288)	99(551)				
Clindamycin	80(884)	80(3641)	68(2041)	90 [†] (59)	41(343)	84(505)				
Daptomycin	100(836)	99(261)	97(159)						99(304)	
Erythromycin	47(885)	68(3581)	14(1836)	88(59)		44(551)				
Gentamicin Synergy									72(2927)	86(691)
Linezolid	100(936)	100(1540)	100(851)		100(118)	100(64)			96(3134)	98(723)
Nitrofurantoin*	100(147)	100(3521)	100(1858)						99(3161)	74(719)
Rifampin	100(679)	99(1278)	99(657)							
Trimethoprim/Sulfamethoxazole	98(936)	98(3620)	97(1873)			76(497)				
Tetracycline	91(846)	94(3700)	95(1912)		18(116)	79(170)			23(3110)	22 [†] (713)
Vancomycin	100(939)	100(3702)	100(1912)	100(86)	100(470)	100(511)			99(3268)	72 [†] (728)
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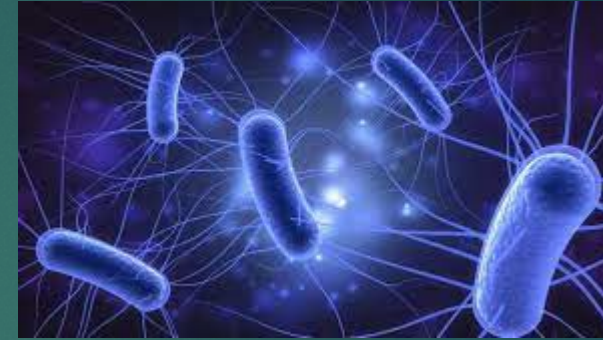
- *Streptococcus pneumoniae*
 - 99%: levofloxacin
 - 95%: ceftriaxone
 - 44%: erythromycin
- *Enterococcus faecalis*
 - 99%: ampicillin
 - 99%: nitrofurantoin
 - 99%: vancomycin
- *Enterococcus faecium*
 - 68%: ampicillin
 - 74%: nitrofurantoin
 - 72%: vancomycin

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Resistance in Urinary Tract Infections

- ▶ **Most common pathogens:**

- ▶ **** *Escherichia coli* (E coli) ** (75-95%)**
- ▶ ***Proteus mirabilis***
- ▶ ***Klebsiella pneumonia***
- ▶ ***Staphylococcus saprophyticus***



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- ▶ **Optimal empiric treatment for E coli based upon local antibiogram**

- ▶ **Cephalexin 250 to 500 mg every 6 hours for 5 to 7 days (90% cefazolin)**
- ▶ **Nitrofurantoin 100 mg twice daily; treat females for 5 days and males for 7 days (97%)**
- ▶ **Less optimal options**
 - ▶ **Trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole (81%), ciprofloxacin (85%), levofloxacin (85%)**

Gram negative resistance: Extended Spectrum Beta-Lactamase (ESBL)

- ▶ enzymes that inactivate most penicillins, cephalosporins, and aztreonam
- ▶ Rates:
 - ▶ 2017: estimated 197,400 cases of ESBL Enterobacterales in hospitalized patients
 - ▶ 9,100 estimated deaths in US
- ▶ Oral options
 - ▶ Nitrofurantoin
 - ▶ Fosfomycin
- ▶ IV options
 - ▶ Amikacin
 - ▶ carbapenems

Resistance in Skin and Soft Tissue Infections

- ▶ Most common pathogens: *Staphylococcus* and *Streptococcus*
- ▶ Treatment for Methicillin Resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*
 - ▶ Oral
 - ▶ Linezolid 600 mg po every 12 hours
 - ▶ Clindamycin 300-450 mg po every 6 hours
 - ▶ doxycycline or minocycline 100 mg po every 12 hours
 - ▶ Trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole 1-2 DS tablets every 12 hours
 - ▶ IV
 - ▶ Vancomycin (dosed based on patient specific kinetics)
 - ▶ Linezolid 600 mg IV/oral every 12 hours
 - ▶ Daptomycin 4-6 mg/kg IV every 24 hours
 - ▶ Ceftaroline 600 mg IV every 12 hours

Patient Case (UTI)

- ▶ LG is an 89 y/o female that presents to the clinic with a symptomatic UTI. She has no drug allergies and no history of UTIs or antibiotics in the last 5 years.
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Antibiotic Drug Interactions/Adverse Effects

- ▶ sucralfate binding + antibiotics
- ▶ Linezolid + medications that affect serotonin
- ▶ Daptomycin + statins
- ▶ Trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole + ACEIs
- ▶ Penicillin allergies

Sucralfate + Antibiotics

- ▶ Separate administration by at least 2 hours with other medications
- ▶ Often difficult to do given sucralfate is often prescribed 4x per day
- ▶ Specific antibiotics affected:
 - ▶ Quinolones
 - ▶ Tetracyclines



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Linezolid drug interactions with potential for serotonin syndrome

▶ Linezolid

- ▶ Lipophilic features makes for excellent tissue penetration including the central nervous system
- ▶ Weak reversible non-selective monoamine oxidase (MAO) inhibitory effects at therapeutic serum concentrations
 - ▶ MAO is part of the metabolism of monoamine neurotransmitters, and its inhibition may potentially lead to excess serotonin in the CNS and the occurrence of serotonin syndrome (SS)

Serotonin Syndrome

- ▶ Inhibition of serotonin reuptake transporter (SERT) which causes an accumulation of serotonin in the synaptic cleft and overstimulation of 5-HT_{2A} receptors
- ▶ Typically presents within 24-hours
- ▶ Mild to LIFE-THREATENING
- ▶ Symptoms:
 - ▶ Hypertension and tachycardia
 - ▶ Mydriasis, diaphoresis, shivering, tremor, myoclonus, and hyperreflexia
 - ▶ Hyperthermia (104F), hyperactive bowel sounds, horizontal ocular clonus, mild agitation, hyper vigilance, and pressured speech
 - ▶ Delirium and muscle rigidity, seizures, rhabdomyolysis

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PHARMACOEPIDEMIOLOGY AND PRESCRIPTION

Serotonin syndrome by drug interactions with linezolid: clues from pharmacovigilance-pharmacokinetic/pharmacodynamic analysis

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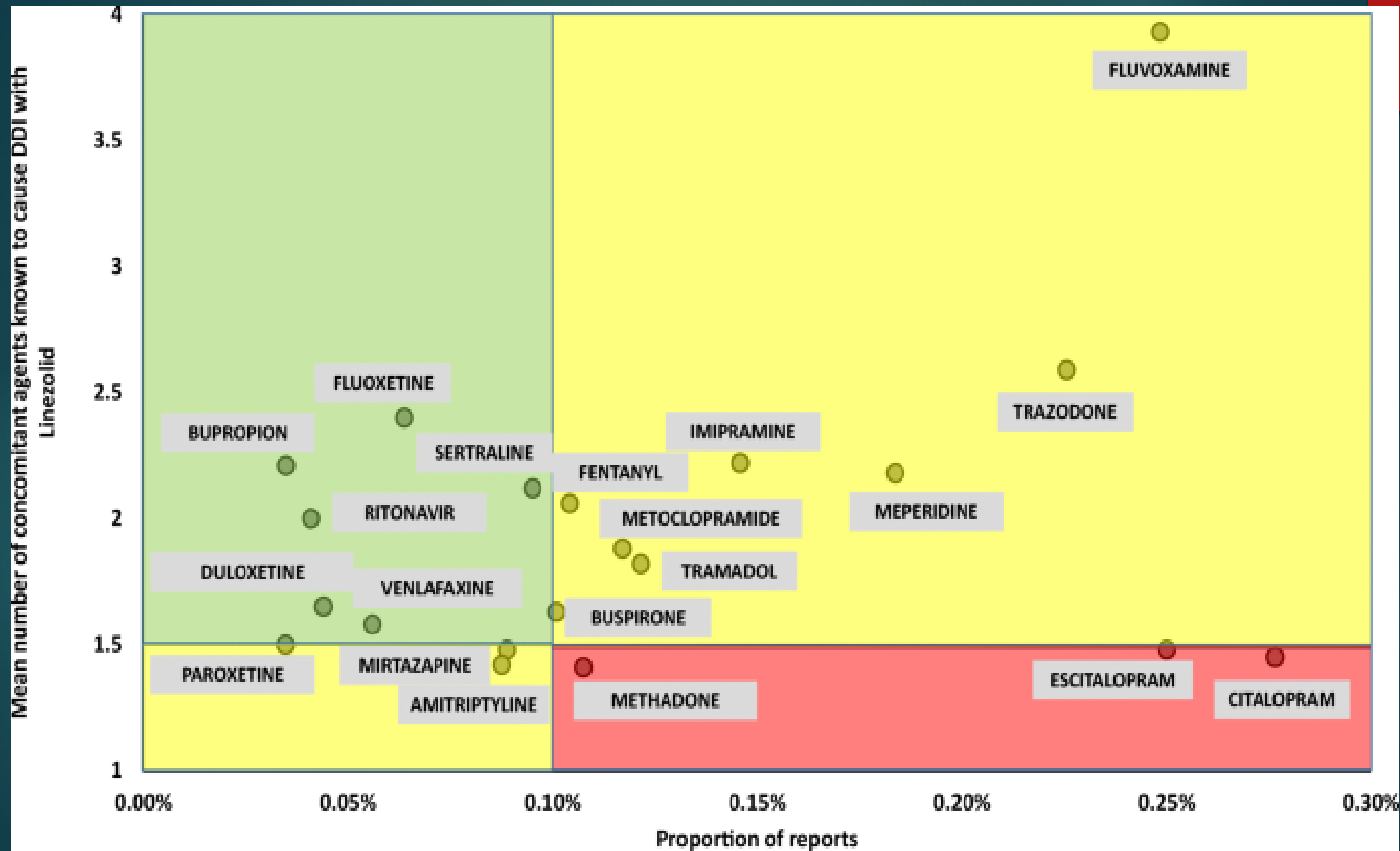
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“Two-step” evaluation

- ▶ Serotonergic agent concomitantly reported with linezolid \geq 5 cases of serotonin syndrome (SS)
- ▶ Step 1:
 - ▶ Two indexes:
 - ▶ 1) proportion of SS reports as compared with overall number of reports
 - ▶ 2) mean number of drug-drug interactions (DDIs) based on concomitant serotonergic agents recorded in SS reports
- ▶ Step 2: PK/PD indexes were evaluated

Three zones

- ▶ **RED** zone: medications with high proportion of SS reported and low mean number of DDIs
- ▶ **YELLOW** zone: medications with high proportion of SS reports coupled with high mean number of DDIs or low proportion of SS reports coupled with low mean number of DDIs
- ▶ **GREEN** zone: medications with low proportion of SS reports and high mean number of DDIs



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Daptomycin + Statins

- ▶ Incidence of statin-induced myopathy or CPK elevation greater than 10 times the ULN = 0.08-0.09%
- ▶ Incidence of daptomycin-induced myositis with CPK elevation greater than 4 times the ULN = 0.2%
- ▶ Current package insert recommends the temporary suspension of statins in patients receiving daptomycin
- ▶ Retrospective review 5 studies

Study 1 (Berg et al.)

- ▶ Daptomycin alone (n=384)
- ▶ Daptomycin + statin (n=63)
- ▶ Daptomycin + statin on HOLD (n=51)

- ▶ Average dose of daptomycin 5.3 +/- 1 mg/kg/dose

- ▶ No significant differences in :
 - ▶ Elevation in CPK levels (>336 U/L)
 - ▶ Rate of myalgia (2.3% vs 4.8% vs 2%)

- ▶ Limitations: low event rates, study size and daptomycin dose

Study 2 (Bland et al.)

- ▶ Daptomycin alone (n=171)
- ▶ Concomitant daptomycin + statin (n=49)
- ▶ Average daptomycin dose: 6.78 vs 6.75 mg/kg/day
- ▶ No significant difference in:
 - ▶ CKP elevation (>1000 U/L) – 5.3% vs 10.2%
 - ▶ Musculoskeletal side effects – 6.12% vs 2.92%
 - ▶ Discontinuation rate of therapy – 3.51% vs 6.12%
- ▶ Limitations: low event rate of primary safety outcomes makes the study susceptible to type 2 error

Study 3 (McConnell et al.)

- ▶ Total number of patients on \geq 48 hours of daptomycin – 233
 - ▶ 53 of these patients were also on statin
- ▶ Median daptomycin doses: 6 mg/kg/day vs 5.9 mg/kg/day
- ▶ Findings but **NOT** significant:
 - ▶ Great percentage of CPK elevation (3xULN or if above baseline at initiation 5xULN) – 5.7% vs 1.1%
 - ▶ BUT fewer patients died – 17.2% vs 9.4%
- ▶ Limitations: CPK elevation was lower than estimated and need for more power to prevent type 2 error

Study 4 (Lehman et al.)

- ▶ Daptomycin alone (n = 3471)
- ▶ Daptomycin + statin (n = 902)
- ▶ Significant finding:
 - ▶ Incidence of CPK elevation (4.4% vs 2.9%)
- ▶ Non-significant finding:
 - ▶ Myalgia event rates
- ▶ Limitations: study had few details describing pt population, length of therapy, dosages, and statin type

Study 5 (Parra-Ruiz et al.)

- ▶ Daptomycin alone (n = 36)
- ▶ Daptomycin + statin (n = 68)
- ▶ Average dose: 8.1 mg/kg/day vs 7.8 mg/kg/day
- ▶ Findings (not significant):
 - ▶ Grade 2 CPK elevation as defined per WHO: 10% vs 8%

Conclusion

- ▶ Discontinuation of statin therapy during daptomycin **may not be necessary** based upon lack of evidence of clinically significant CPK elevation or myalgia
- ▶ Bland et al had more **obese pts** in the concomitant group yet did NOT find clinical significant differences
- ▶ McConnell et al had **older patients** in the concomitant group yet did NOT find clinical significant differences
- ▶ Shorter durations (≤ 7 days) have minimal risk for CPK elevation
- ▶ Continue concomitant therapy unless there is symptomatic evidence of myalgia and CPK elevation or clinically significant CPK elevation ($\geq 10 \times \text{ULN}$) in asymptomatic patients

Trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole (TMP-SMX) + anti-hypertensives

- ▶ TMP-SMX is often used in elderly patients to treat UTIs
- ▶ Trimethoprim: has structural and pharmacological similarities to the potassium-sparing diuretic amiloride and reduces urinary potassium excretion by approximately 40%
- ▶ 2010 population-based study: ~7-fold increased risk of hyperkalemia-associated hospitalizations when comparing amoxicillin vs TMP-SMX
- ▶ **Avoid combining TMP-SMX with:**
 - ▶ **angiotensin II receptor blockers (ARBs)**
 - ▶ **angiotensin-converting enzymes inhibitors (ACEs)**
 - ▶ **spironolactone**
- ▶ AVOID concomitant use when possible but if not possible consider close monitoring of potassium levels

The “penicillin allergy”

- ▶ 10% of the US population reports having a penicillin allergy
- ▶ Fewer than 1% of the population has a TRUE IgE-mediated reactions
- ▶ 80% of patients with an IgE-mediated reaction lost their sensitivity after 10 years
- ▶ Broad-spectrum antibiotics are often used as an alternative
 - ▶ Higher healthcare costs
 - ▶ Increased risk for resistance
 - ▶ Suboptimal treatment

Cross-reactivity of antibiotic allergies

- ▶ Clinically significant immunologically mediated cross-reactivity among β -lactams is associated with R-group side chain homology
- ▶ β -lactam antibiotics with dissimilar side chains = lower rates of cross-reactivity
- ▶ Study: single-center, retrospective cohort study analyzed the impact of implementation of cross-reactivity chart for patients with pneumonia
 - ▶ January 2017 to October 2018
 - ▶ **Primary outcome:** utilization of β -lactam antibiotics
 - ▶ Significantly greater use in intervention cohort (70.4% vs 89.3%; $P < .001$)
 - ▶ No difference in **overall allergic reactions** (2.4% vs 1.6%; $P = .738$)
 - ▶ No difference in **β -lactam abx reactions** (1.3% vs 0.9%; $P = .703$)
 - ▶ **Healthcare-onset *C difficile*** decreased (1.2% vs 0.2%; $P = .032$)

Antibiotic allergy																					
Antibiotic ordered		"Penicillin"	"Cephalosporin"	Amoxicillin/Amox/clav	Ampicillin/Amp/sulb	Aztreonam	Cefactor	Cefazolin	Cefepime	Cefotaxime	Cefoxitin	Cefdinir	Ceftaroline	Ceftriaxone	Cefuroxime	Cephalexin	Ceftazidime/avibactam	Ceftolozane/tazobactam	Nafcillin	Penicillin G	Piperacillin/tazobactam
	Amoxicillin/Amox/clav	N	CP ^{a, b}	N ^b	N ^b	Y ^b	N ^{a, b}	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	N ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	CP ^b	N ^b	CP ^b
	Ampicillin/Amp/sulb	N	CP ^{a, b}	N ^b	N ^b	Y ^b	N ^{a, b}	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	N ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	CP ^b	N ^b	CP ^b
	Aztreonam	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	N ^b	CP ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b
	Cefactor	N	N	N ^{a, b}	N ^{a, b}	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^{a, b}	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	UA ^a	UA ^a	N ^{a, b}	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	UA ^b	CP ^b
	Cefazolin	Y ^{a, b}	N	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^{a, b}	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^{a, b}	Y ^{a, b}	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b
	Cefepime	Y ^{a, b}	N	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^{a, b}	Y ^b	Y ^b	N ^b	Y ^b	UA ^b	UA ^b	N ^{a, b}	N ^{a, b}	Y ^b	CP ^b	CP ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b
	Cefotaxime	Y ^{a, b}	N	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	N ^b	Y ^b	UA ^b	UA ^b	UA ^b	N ^{a, b}	N ^{a, b}	Y ^{a, b}	N ^{a, b}	CP ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b
	Cefoxitin	UA ^b	N	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^{a, b}	Y ^b	UA ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	UA ^b	N ^b	Y ^{a, b}	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	N ^b	Y ^b
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	Ceftriaxone	Y ^{a, b}	N	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	UA ^a	Y ^{a, b}	N ^{a, b}	N ^{a, b}	UA ^b	UA ^b	UA ^b	Y ^b	N ^{a, b}	UA ^{a, b}	N ^{a, b}	UA ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b
	Cefuroxime	Y ^{a, b}	N	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	UA ^a	Y ^{a, b}	N ^{a, b}	N ^{a, b}	N ^b	Y ^b	UA ^b	N ^{a, b}	Y ^b	Y ^{a, b}	UA ^{a, b}	UA ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b
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	Ceftazidime/avibactam	Y ^{a, b}	N	Y ^b	Y ^b	N ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	CP ^b	N ^{a, b}	Y ^b	UA ^b	UA ^b	N ^{a, b}	UA ^{a, b}	UA ^a	Y ^b	N ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b	Y ^b
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Y The order may be ordered/verified if any reaction other than type I–IV hypersensitivity reaction (HSR). This includes general or non-specific allergy listings. For type I HSRs, a β -lactam with a different side chain CAN be safely administered; however, prescribers should be notified to communicate this information and confirm the order. Avoid use in type II–IV HSRs.

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N Should not be ordered/verified due to a higher likelihood of cross-reactivity. If ordered, the prescriber should be notified, and a different agent considered.

CP "Call Prescriber" The agent may have limited or conflicting data or share a similar (not identical) side chain. Risk/benefit should be evaluated.

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Updates in *Clostridioides difficile* 2021



News-medical.net

- <https://www.cdc.gov/drugresistance/pdf/covid19-impact-report-508.pdf>

Guideline updates:

Initial *C diff* episode

▶ 2017

- ▶ oral vancomycin 125 mg four times per day x 10 days
- ▶ Fidaxomicin 200 mg twice daily x 10 days
 - ▶ Approved in 2011 – first new *C diff* drug in 31 years!!!!
- ▶ Alternative if above not available: metronidazole 500 mg TID x 10 days

▶ 2021

- ▶ Fidaxomicin 200 mg twice daily x 10 days
- ▶ Alternative: vancomycin 125 mg four times per day x 10 days
- ▶ Alternative for NONSEVERE if above regimens not available: metronidazole 500 mg TID x 10-14 days

Guideline updates:

Recurrent *C diff* episode

▶ **2017**

- ▶ Vancomycin 125 mg 4 times daily x 10 days (if metronidazole – 1st episode)
- ▶ Prolonged taper and pulsed vancomycin (if standard – 1st episode)
 - ▶ eg, 125 mg 4x/day x 10-14 days, then 2x/day x 7 days, then once daily x 7 days, then every 2-3 days for 2-8 weeks
- ▶ Fidaxomicin 200 mg twice daily x 10 days (if vanco – 1st episode)

▶ **2021**

- ▶ Fidaxomicin 200 mg twice daily x 10 days
- ▶ Fidaxomicin 200 mg twice daily x 5 days then every other day x 20 days
- ▶ Alternative: vancomycin tapered and pulsed regimen
- ▶ Alternative: vancomycin 125 mg four times per day x 10 days
- ▶ **adjunctive treatment: Bezlotoxumab

Bezlotoxumab

- ▶ FDA approved after 2017 guidelines (briefly mentioned in 2017)
- ▶ **Monoclonal antibody targeting toxin B production**
- ▶ One-time infusion of 10 mg/kg over 60 minutes
 - ▶ Elimination half-life of 18 days = measurable antibody concentrations up to 3 months
- ▶ **2021: recommended with recurrent *C diff* within last 6 months**
 - ▶ Risk factors for recurrence
 - ▶ ≥ 65 years
 - ▶ Immunocompromised host
 - ▶ Severe infection on presentation (wbc >15 or Scr ≥ 1.5)
- ▶ **FDA warning:**
 - ▶ “in patients with a history of congestive heart failure, bezlotoxumab should be reserved for use when the benefits outweighs the risk.”

Advantages vs Disadvantages: fidaxomicin vs vancomycin

- ▶ Fidaxomicin is only twice daily vs four times daily
- ▶ Fidaxomicin has increased sustained response of *C diff* infection 4 weeks after end of therapy compared to standard vanco
- ▶ No data supporting fidaxomicin in fulminant *C diff*
- ▶ Vancomycin is MUCH MUCH cheaper
 - ▶ BUT with the new approved guidelines insurance companies hopefully will start to cover better
 - ▶ Patient-assistance programs are available for fidaxomicin

Pharmacist/Technician Case Study:

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The **NEWEST** of antibiotics



Main drivers of resistance:

- Over use
- Inappropriate use in:
 - Humans
 - Agriculture
 - Animals

*antibiotic development is imperative to outpace the ability of pathogens to develop resistance

Chahine EB, Dougherty JA, Thornby K-A, Guirguis EH. Antibiotic Approvals in the Last Decade: Are We Keeping Up With Resistance? *Annals of Pharmacotherapy*. 2022;56(4):441-462. doi:10.1177/10600280211031390

New antibiotic approval

- ▶ Declining since the 1980s
- ▶ High rate of failure during the development phase
- ▶ FDA approval process: up to 7 years
- ▶ Costly: >\$1.29 billion to bring to market
- ▶ LOW use of final product
 - ▶ Used for acute disease vs chronic disease
- ▶ Antimicrobial Stewardship Program restrictions
 - ▶ Prefer use of older, less expensive, narrow antibiotics FIRST
 - ▶ Often RESTRICTED
- ▶ 17 new abx since 2010 and 1 related biologic

Plazomicin

- ▶ Aminoglycoside
- ▶ Approved for: **urinary tract infection, complicated (pyelonephritis or urinary tract infection with systemic signs/symptoms)**
- ▶ Retains activity against organisms that produce aminoglycoside-modifying enzymes seen in prior aminoglycosides
 - ▶ BUT reduced activity against *Pseudomonas* or *Acinetobacter*
- ▶ Once-daily dosing
- ▶ Reserve for: **carbapenem-resistant Enterobacterales (CRE)**
 - ▶ KPC and OXA types

Meropenem/vaborbactam

- ▶ Carbapenem/ β -lactamase inhibitor
- ▶ Approved for: **Urinary tract infection, complicated (pyelonephritis or urinary tract infection with systemic signs/symptoms)**
- ▶ TANGO-2 trial comparing meropenem-vaborbactam to best available therapy was stopped early due to a risk-benefit ratio in favor of meropenem-vaborbactam
- ▶ Dose: 4 grams IV every 8 hours infused over 3-hours
- ▶ Reserve for: infections caused by **carbapenem-resistant Enterobacterales (CRE)**
 - ▶ KPC

ceftaroline

- ▶ Cephalosporin: ONLY one active against MRSA
- ▶ Approved for: **community acquired pneumonia and skin and soft tissue infections**
- ▶ Off label use: bacteremia, endocarditis, meningitis, osteomyelitis, and hospital-acquired pneumonia
- ▶ Dose: 600 mg IV every 12 hours

cefiderocol

- ▶ Novel cephalosporin
 - ▶ New mechanism: siderophore-iron complex pathway to penetrate outer membrane of gram negative bacteria
- ▶ Approved for: **pneumonia (hospital and ventilator-associated) and complicated urinary tract infections**
- ▶ Gram negatives
 - ▶ ESBLs, ampCs, CRE (KPC, OXA and MLB), *Pseudomonas*, *Acinetobacter baumannii*, *Stenotrophomonas maltophilia*
- ▶ Dose: 2 grams IV every 8 hours (could consider every 6 hours w/CrCl >120 mL/min)
- ▶ ***warning*** - increased risk of mortality with carbapenem-resistant infections
 - ▶ Reserve for: patients with limited or no alternative treatment options in resistant gram negative infections

Ceftolozane/tazobactam

- ▶ Cephalosporin/ β -lactamase inhibitor
- ▶ Approved for:
 - ▶ **Intra-abdominal (+ metronidazole)**
 - ▶ **Pneumonia**
 - ▶ **Serious multidrug resistant *Pseudomonas* infections**
 - ▶ **Complicated urinary tract infections**
- ▶ Dose: 1.5 – 3 grams IV every 8 hours
- ▶ Reserve for: infections caused by multidrug resistant *Pseudomonas*

Ceftazidime/avibactam

- ▶ Cephalosporin/ β -lactamase inhibitor
- ▶ Approved for:
 - ▶ **Intra-abdominal (+ metronidazole)**
 - ▶ **Pneumonia**
 - ▶ **Complicated urinary tract infections**
- ▶ Dose: 2.5 grams IV every 8 hours
- ▶ Reserve for: infections caused by multidrug resistant *Pseudomonas*
 - ▶ KPC, OXA-48, and other multidrug resistant forms

Delafloxacin

- ▶ Fluoroquinolone
 - ▶ MRSA, streptococci, ESBLs, and Pseudomonas
- ▶ Approved for:
 - ▶ **Pneumonia**
 - ▶ **Skin and soft tissue infections**
- ▶ Dose:
 - ▶ Oral: 450 mg every 12 hours
 - ▶ IV: 300 mg every 12 hours
- ▶ Many labs do not have susceptibility information
- ▶ Not associated with photosensitivity and clinically relevant QTc prolongation

Dalbavancin and oritavancin

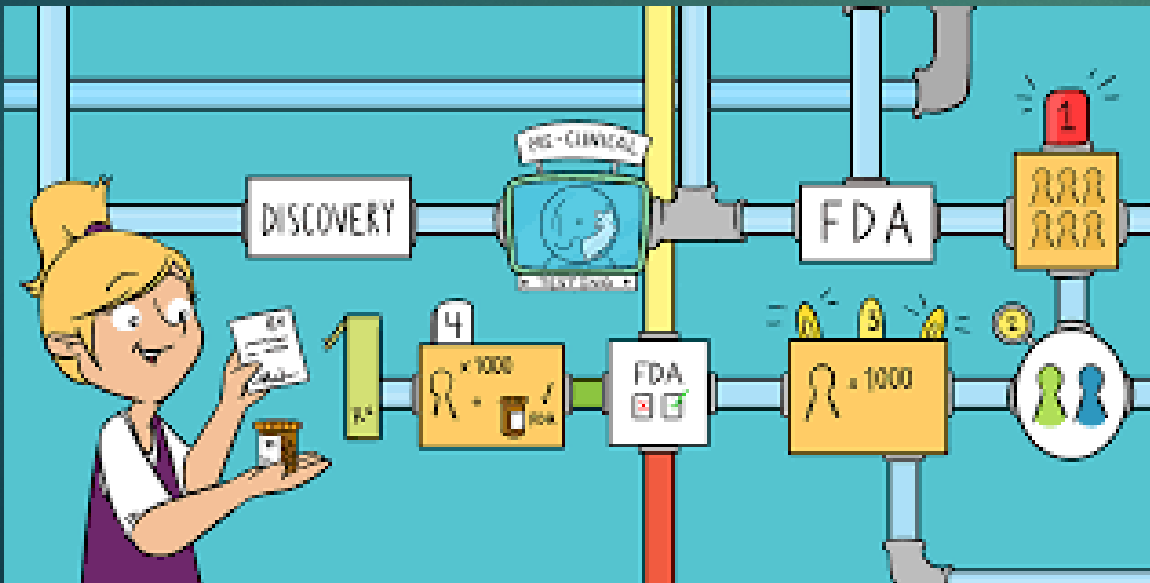
- ▶ LONG-ACTING lipoglycopeptides (MRSA agents)
- ▶ **Dalbavancin**
 - ▶ Approved for: **skin and soft tissue infections**
 - ▶ Dose: 1.5 g as single dose OR 1 g followed by 500 mg in one week
- ▶ **Oritavancin**
 - ▶ Approved for: **skin and soft tissue infections**
 - ▶ Dose: 1.2 g as a single dose
 - ▶ *prolongs certain coagulation tests; contraindicated use with heparin 5 days after administration; caution with used with warfarin as can artificially prolong INR
- ▶ Off-label use: endocarditis, osteomyelitis, and septic arthritis

Eravacycline and omadacycline

- ▶ Broad-spectrum tetracyclines
 - ▶ MRSA, VRE, CRE, ESBL, *Acinetobacter*, *Stenotrophomonas*, anaerobes (NO *Pseudomonas*)
- ▶ **eravacycline**
 - ▶ Approved for: **intra-abdominal infections**
 - ▶ Dose: 1 mg/kg IV every 12 hours
- ▶ **omadacycline**
 - ▶ Approved for: **plague, community-acquired pneumonia, skin and soft tissue infection**
 - ▶ Dose:
 - ▶ Pneumonia – IV 100 mg BID x 1 day then 100 mg daily; ORAL 300 mg BID x 1 day then 300 mg once daily
 - ▶ Skin and soft tissue – IV 100 mg BID x 1 days then 100 mg daily; ORAL 450 mg daily on days 1 & 2 then 300 mg daily

In the pipeline

- ▶ **Tebipenem**: oral carbapenem for urinary tract infections
 - ▶ Spring 2022 – the FDA ultimately concluded that Spero's Phase 3 cUTI study of tebipenem HBr (ADAPT-PO) was insufficient to support approval and that additional clinical study would be required



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- ▶ **Antibiotics Simplified** (Jason C. Gallagher and Conon MacDougall)
 - ▶ 5th edition just released (Amazon, Barnes & Noble, etc)
- ▶ **www.idstewardship.com**
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