

Multi-Drug Resistant Gram Negative Bacteria and Antimicrobial Stewardship



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Objectives

- Definition and evolution of gram negative resistance
- Epidemiology of gram negative resistance
- Treatment of resistant organisms
- Stewardship role of hospital pharmacist



Abbreviations

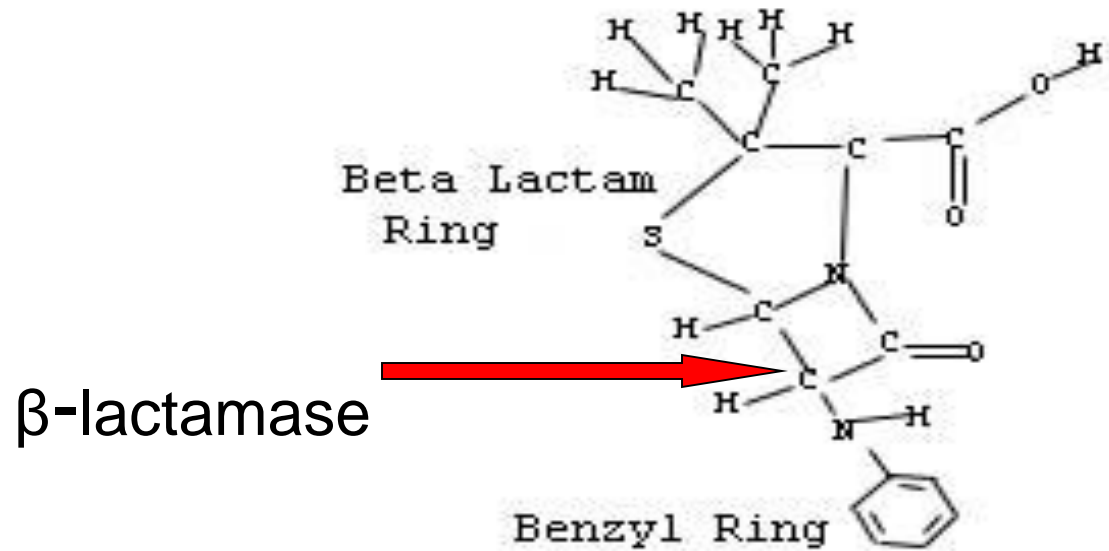
- Beta - β
- Extended Spectrum β -Lactamase - ESBL
- Trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole - TMP/SMX
- Aminoglycoside-modifying enzymes - AME
- Penicillin - PCN
- *Klebsiella pneumoniae* - *K.Pneumoniae*
- Temoniera - TEM
- Sulphydryl variable - SHV
- Cefotaxime resistant - CTX-M
- Oxacillin resistant - OXA
- *Escherichia coli* - *E. coli*
- Minimum Inhibitory Concentration - MIC
- Antibiotic - Abx
- Urinary tract infection - UTI
- Penicillin binding proteins - PBPs



Abbreviations [cont.]

- Carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae - CRE
- *Klebsiella pneumoniae* carbapenemase - KPC
- Metallo- β -lactamase - MBL
- New Delhi metallo- β -lactamase - NDM
- Intensive Care Unit - ICU
- Multi-Drug Resistant - MDR
- Vancomycin Resistant *Enterococci* - VRE
- Skin & soft tissue infection - SSTI
- Methicillin-Resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* - MRSA
- Complicated intra-abdominal infection - cIAI
- Community-acquired pneumonia - CAP
- Central nervous system - CNS
- Culture - Cx
- Diabetes mellitus – DM
- Epsilometer test (Etest)

β -lactamase



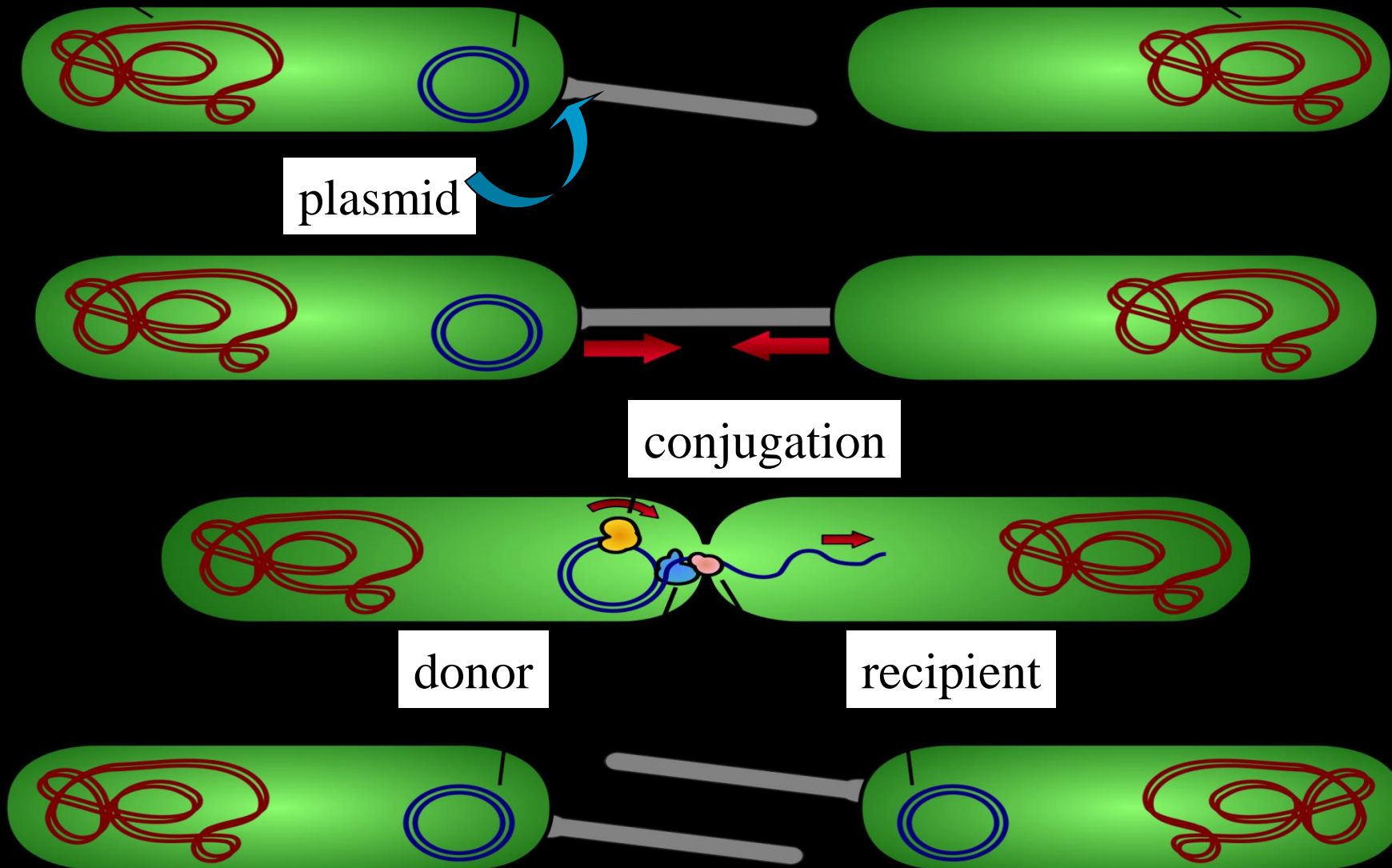
- Enzymes that inactivate β -lactam antibiotics
- Resistant to penicillins and 1st generation cephalosporins like cefazolin



ESBL

- **Inactivate broad spectrum β -lactam antibiotics**
 - Enlarging β -lactam binding site
- **Amino acid substitution or plasmid mediated**
- **Commonly resistant to quinolones, aminoglycosides and TMP/SMX**
 - Plasmid mediated transfer of AME

Plasmid transfer



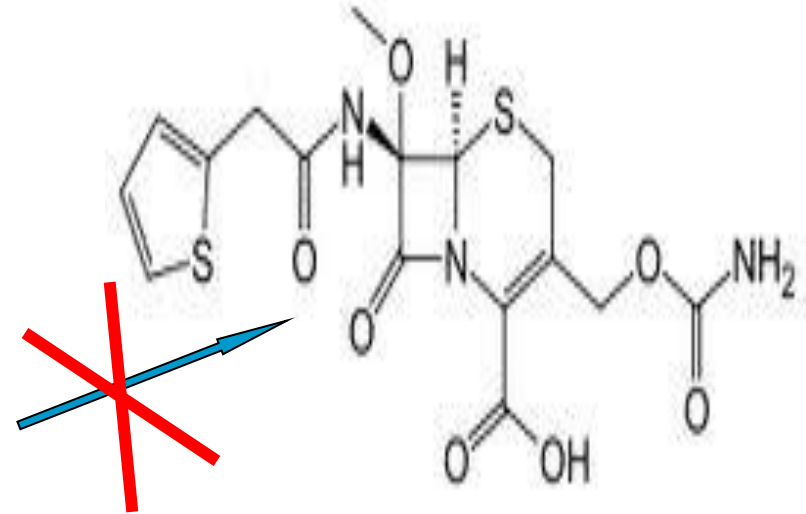


Evolution of β -lactamase

- 1st β -lactamase: Greece in 1960's
 - Named TEM after patient
- TEM-2 differed by 1 amino acid
 - Resistant to PCN and 1st gen cephalosporins
- Susceptible to 3rd and 4th gen. cephalosporins
 - Due to oxyimino side chain

β -lactamase

β -lactamase



Oxyimino side chain protects the β -lactam ring



β -lactamase inhibitors

- Clavulanate
 - Amoxicillin/clavulanate (Augmentin[®])
- Tazobactam
 - Piperacillin/tazobactam (Zosyn[®])
- Sulbactam
 - Ampicillin/sulbactam (Unasyn[®])



Evolution of ESBL

- 1st ESBL in Germany 1983
 - *K. pneumoniae*
- 1st ESBL outbreak in France 1985
 - TEM related enzymes
- Made it to U.S. in early 1990's
 - TEM related enzymes
- Amino acid substitution mechanism



Types of ESBL

- TEM: 160 types
 - TEM-10,12 and 26 are most common in U.S.
 - Some are β -lactamase inhibitor resistant
- SHV: 100 types
 - Most common ESBL in U.S.
 - SHV-5 and 12 most common



Types of ESBL

- CTX-M: 60 types
 - Plasmid transfer from another bacteria
 - Most common world wide
- OXA: more rare
 - Hydrolyze anti-staphylococcal PCN
 - Plasmid or amino acid mechanism



Epidemiology of ESBL

- 5000 *K. pneumoniae* samples
 - 45% ESBL in Latin America
 - 23% Europe
 - 7.6% U.S.
- 12000 *E. coli* samples
 - Latin America 8.5%
 - U.S. 3.3%



Risks for ESBL Infection

- Dialysis
- Ventilator
- Length of stay
- Gastrointestinal colonization
- Intensive Care Unit
- Antibiotics
- Feeding tube
- Long term care facility
- Emergent abdominal surgery
- Catheters

Most have been exposed to fluoroquinolones or Broad spectrum cephalosporins



Mechanism of Resistance

- MIC changed in 2010
 - Falsely sensitive reports
- Selective pressure
 - Enzyme resists Abx used
 - Sub-therapeutic dose or inadequate course
- Some mutations reduce spectrum
 - Check sensitivities



Treatment of ESBL

- Carbapenems 1st line
 - Imipenem, meropenem, ertapenem and doripenem
- Ceftazidime/avibactam (Avycaz[®])
 - Complicated UTI
 - Intraabdominal infection with metronidazole
- Aminoglycosides
 - If susceptible, although most will not be



Treatment

- Tygecycline (Tygacil[®])
- Colistin (Coly-Mycin[®])
- Broad spectrum Cephalosporins not a good idea
 - Failure due to inoculum effect
- Piperacillin-tazobactam
 - UTI possibly
 - Urinary concentration



Carbapenems

- Bind PBPs
- Inhibit cell wall synthesis
- Most cover pseudomonas
 - Ertapenem does not
- Avoid in seizure disorders
 - Class related side effect

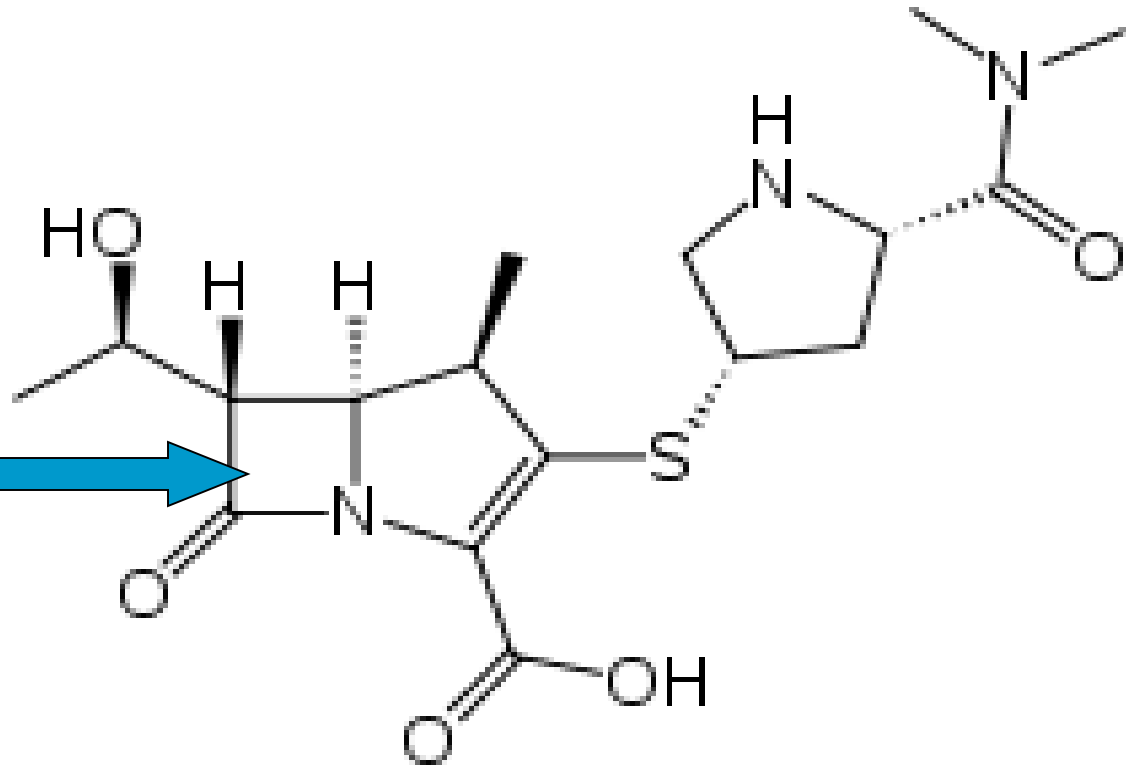


Carbapenems

- Doripenem
- Ertapenem
 - Does not cover pseudomonas
- Imipenem
- Meropenem
- Pearls:
 - All renally dosed
 - Cover gram negatives and anaerobes

Carbapenemase

Carbapenemase



meropenem



Carbapenem Resistant Enterobacteriaceae

- First found in North Carolina 1999
 - *K.pneumoniae* resistant to all β -lactams
 - Plasmid encoded
 - Named KPC-1
- KPC requires other mutations to inactivate carbapenems



Classification of carbapenemases

- Ambler classification system:
 - Class A, C and D all have serine at active site
 - Class B: zinc required for activity
 - MBL
 - NDM
 - Class D: OXA type β -lactamase
 - Found in *Acinetobacter baumannii*



Klebsiella Pneumoniae Carbapenemase

- Most prevalent carbapenemase in U.S.
- Transferable by plasmid to other bacteria
- Detected in blood, urine and respiratory cultures
- Often resistant to aminoglycosides and fluoroquinolones



Evolution of KPC

- KPC-1 in North Carolina
- KPC-2 Northeast U.S.
 - Revealed to be KPC-1
- KPC-3 outbreak in New York City
- KPC-1 to 7 Now found world wide
 - Differ by no more than 2 amino acid subs
- KPC-1 & 3 most common in U.S.



Evolution of KPC/CRE

- Mostly in *K. pneumoniae*
- Reported in *E. coli*, *Salmonella cubana*, *Enterobacter cloacae*, *Proteus mirabilis*, *Acinetobacter* and *K. oxytoca*
- Reported in 33 states
- 2005 reported in France
 - First outside U.S.



Detection issues

- Similar to ESBL detection issues
- MIC's in susceptible range
 - Imipenem and meropenem
 - Increases resistance
- Especially automated systems
 - 87% of KPC reported susceptible
- Rural facilities may not have ability to detect



Transmission of CRE

- Transferring hospitals/Long term care
- Study of hospital outbreak
 - Isolates from sinks and stethoscopes
 - None on hands of healthcare workers
- Rectal colonization
- Isolation and contact precautions recommended



Risk factors

- Length of stay
- ICU
- Ventilator
- Diabetes

- Dialysis
- Cephalosporins
- Transplant

- Prior carbapenems not necessary
- Multiple studies have shown increased mortality



Treatment

- Fosfomycin (Monurol[®])
 - Synergy with aminoglycosides
 - Etest for susceptibility
- Tigecycline (Tygacil[®])
 - Failures reported
- Colistin (Coly-Mycin[®])
 - Resistant *K. pneumoniae* documented
- Ceftazidime/avibactam (Avycaz[®])
 - Not metallo- β -lactamase
- Aztreonam
 - Limited experience in MDR bacteremia



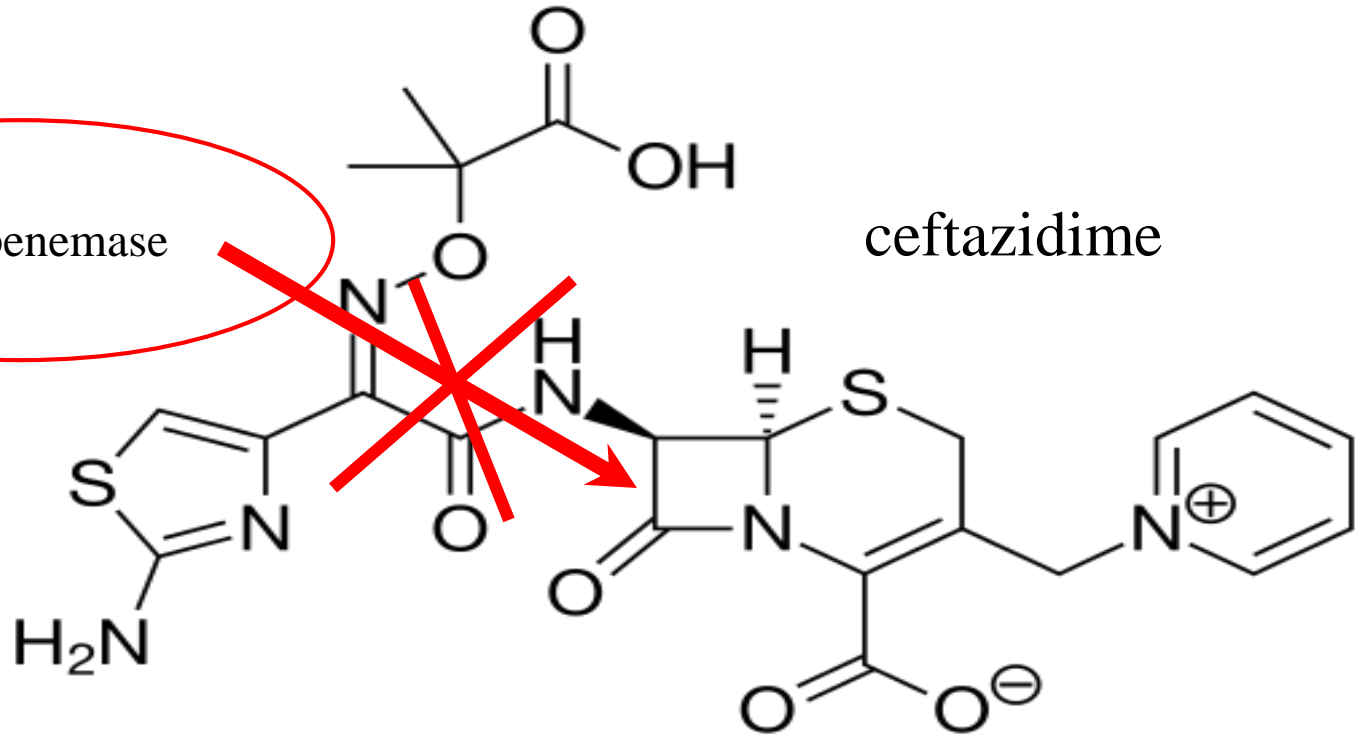
Ceftazidime/avibactam (Avycaz[®])

- Cephalosporin/ β -lactamase inhibitor
- cIAI with Flagyl[®]
- Complicated UTI
 - No coverage of metallo- β lactamases
- Dosed Q8hr and renally adjusted

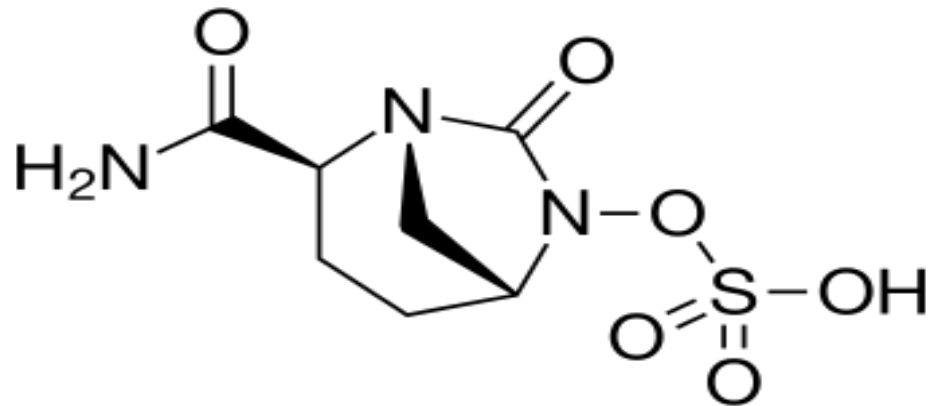
Avycaz[®]

Carbapenemase

ceftazidime



avibactam





Fosfomycin (Monurol®)

- Blocks formation of peptidoglycan
- In vitro activity against 93% of KPC
 - Spectrum: *Enterococcus faecium*, *Enterococcus faecalis*, VRE, *Pseudomonas*, *Klebsiella*, *Proteus*, *Serratia*, *Providencia*, *Enterobacter*, *E.coli*, *Citrobacter*
- Bactericidal in Urine for 36-48hrs
- No renal or hepatic adjustment



Tygecycline (Tygacil[®])

- Bacteriostatic by inhibiting protein synthesis
- G-, G+ and anaerobe coverage
- Indications:
 - SSTI including MRSA but not VRE
 - cIAI
 - CAP
- Severe hepatic impairment: 50% of maintenance



Colistin (Coly-Mycin[®])

- Cationic Detergent
- Adverse effects:
 - CNS toxicity, renal toxicity, respiratory failure
- Drug interactions:
 - May increase effect of neuromuscular blockers
 - Aminoglycosides, amphotericin B and vancomycin
 - Increased colistin effect / level



Aztreonam (Azactam[®])

- Monobactam that binds PCN binding proteins inhibiting cell wall synthesis
- Side effects: rash, GI and injection site
- Can be used in most patients with PCN allergy



Antimicrobial Stewardship

- Antibiotic stewardship refers to a set of coordinated strategies to improve the use of antimicrobial medications with the goal of enhancing patient health outcomes, reducing resistance to antibiotics, and decreasing unnecessary costs



Antimicrobial Stewardship

- Narrowest empiric spectrum
 - Most likely pathogens
- De-escalate
 - Based on Cx
- Length of therapy
 - Least necessary

Antimicrobial Module

Skin / Soft Tissue Source
(pg 2)

Urinary Source
(pg 3)

Gastrointestinal Source
(pg 4)

Pulmonary Source
(pg 5)

Febrile Neutropenia
(pg 6)

Decision Tree Abbreviations:

- PO - by mouth
- IV - Intravenous
- Q8hr - Every 8 hrs

Skin / Soft Tissue Infection

Pseudomonas Risk Factors

- Ceftriaxone 1gm IV daily + Vancomycin 15mg/kg IV Q12h
- If Penicillin / Cephalosporin Allergy:**
- Levofloxacin 750mg IV daily + Vancomycin 15mg/kg IV Q12h

Anaerobic Coverage Indicated Add:

- Metronidazole 500mg IV Q8hr
- Metronidazole 500mg PO Q8hr

- Cefepime 2gm IV Q12h + Vancomycin 15mg/kg IV Q12h
- If Penicillin / Cephalosporin Allergy:**
- Tobramycin 5mg/kg IV daily + Vancomycin 15mg/kg IV Q12h

Anaerobic Coverage Indicated Add:

- Metronidazole 500mg IV Q8hr
- Metronidazole 500mg PO Q8hr

Urinary Source Infection

Uncomplicated

- Cefazolin 1gm IV Q 8 hours x 7 days
- Cephalexin 500mg PO BID x 7 days

If Penicillin / Cephalosporin Allergy:

- Nitrofurantoin 100mg po BID x 7 days
- Cipro 400mg IV q12hrs x 3 days
- Cipro 500mg PO q12hrs x 3 days

Complicated / pyelonephritis

- Cefazolin 1gm IV Q 8 hours x 14 days
- Ceftriaxone 1gm IV daily x 14 days

If Penicillin / Cephalosporin Allergy:

- Cipro 400mg IV q12hrs x 14 days
- Cipro 500mg PO q12hrs x 14 days

Pseudomonas Risk Factors

- Uncomplicated: Cefepime 2gm IV Q12h x 7 days
- Complicated: Cefepime 2gm IV Q12h x 14 days

If Penicillin / Cephalosporin Allergy:

- Tobramycin 5mg / kg IV daily x 7 days

MRSA Risk Factors

- Vancomycin 15mg/kg IV Q12h x 7 days
- Uncomplicated: Sulfamethoxazole/ Trimethoprim DS PO BID x 3 days
- Complicated: Sulfamethoxazole/ Trimethoprim DS PO BID x 7 days
- Pyelonephritis: Sulfamethoxazole/ Trimethoprim DS PO BID x 14 days

Uncomplicated Gastrointestinal Source in hemodynamically stable patient.

- Ceftriaxone 1gm IV daily + Metronidazole 500mg IV Q8h

If Penicillin / Cephalosporin Allergy:

- Ciprofloxacin 400mg IV q12hr + Metronidazole 500mg IV Q8h
- Ciprofloxacin 500mg PO q12hr + Metronidazole 500mg PO Q8h

Community Acquired Infection (admission to floor)

- Levofloxacin 750mg IV daily
- Azithromycin 500mg IV daily + Ceftriaxone 1gm IV daily

Community Acquired Infection (admission to ICU)

- Azithromycin 500mg IV daily + Ceftriaxone 1gm IV daily
- Levofloxacin 750m daily + Ceftriaxone 1gm IV daily

Healthcare / Nosocomial Acquired Pneumonia (*Pseudomonas* Risk)

- Cefepime 2gm IV Q12h + Levofloxacin 750mg IV daily
- If Penicillin / Cephalosporin Allergy without renal dysfunction:**
 - Tobramycin 7mg / kg IV daily + Levofloxacin 750mg IV daily
- With renal dysfunction:**
 - Aztreonam + Levofloxacin

Aspiration Pneumonia

- Ceftriaxone 1gm IV Daily + Metronidazole 500mg IV Q8h
- Levofloxacin 750mg IV daily + Metronidazole 500mg IV Q8h

MRSA Risk Add:
□ Vancomycin 15m/kg IV Q12h

Neutropenic Fever

Treatment:

- Cefepime 2gm IV Q 8 hours

If Penicillin / Cephalosporin Allergy:

- Aztreonam 2gm IV Q8h + Vancomycin 15mg/kg IV Q 12 hours

Additional antibiotics indicated:

- Add Tobramycin 7mg / kg IV daily
- Add Ciprofloxacin 400mg IV Q 8 hours

*fluoroquinolones should not be used in patients who have received fluoroquinolones recently or if fluoroquinolones were used for neutropenic prophylaxis

- Add Vancomycin 15mg/kg IV Q 12 hours



Stewardship

- Gather all the information
- Make recommendation based on patient care (present and future)
- Always remember allergies, interactions, renal/hepatic dosing
- Do not use cost as your basis of recommendation



Stewardship

- Daily antimicrobial reports
- Focus on antipseudomonals and carbapenems, etc
- Read history and physical, surgical report, cultures and radiology reports
 - Create picture of risk and likely pathogens
 - Example:
 - Gram + coverage for cellulitis
 - Gram negative coverage for UTI
 - Gram negative + anaerobes for GI



Stewardship

- Nursing home or recent hospitalization
 - Not candidates for de-escalation
- Find candidates for de-escalation
 - Surgical patients with no recent history
 - Recommend de-escalation
- De-escalate based on cultures
 - Tailor therapy to cover what grows
 - Ex: if MSSA grows, stop vancomycin

Interventions

- Hospitalist patient with DM foot
 - Ex: Pt on vancomycin and Zosyn[®] empirically
 - Afebrile, white blood cell count is normal and less swelling
 - Wound cx: MSSA sensitive to cefazolin
 - Recommend change to cefazolin which the culture showed sensitivity to
 - Less monitoring, narrower spectrum, etc



Intervention

- Patient started on meropenem for ESBL *E.Coli* UTI
- Urine cx: sensitive to ertapenem and aminoglycosides
- Recommend Ertapenem
 - Avoid unnecessary pseudomonas coverage
 - No drug level monitoring
 - Unfortunately cost more



Interventions

- Surgeon (not in house): leave note on chart or page
 - 35 year old status post cholecystectomy without abscess or perforation
 - No risk of MDR organisms
 - Ex: recommend de-escalate ertapenem to rocephin + flagyl IV or augmentin PO

PHARMACY NOTE

No Known Allergies

Dr. Doe

Date: 9/29/15

Patient: Meister, Brian

Room: 200

- WBC 6.9 Tmax 98.9° No abscess or perforation on C.T.
- Patient has no apparent risk of ESBL organisms

To reduce the spread of multi-drug resistant organisms due to the over use of carbapenems, could the patient be de-escalated to (1) Rocephin + Flagyl if I.V. desired
(2) Augmentin if P.O. is possible

Thank you

Pharmacist:

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