

# 09 – Core Concepts: Antibacterial Drugs II

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## Overview of Antibacterial Mechanisms

To Orient You: Little is Testable

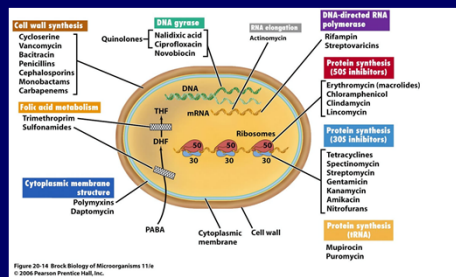


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## Cell Wall Active Agents

- Penicillins
- Cephalosporins
- Carbapenems
- Vancomycin
- Daptomycin
- Polymyxins

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## β-lactam Spectrum

- Penicillins
- Semi-synthetic penicillins
- 1<sup>st</sup> gen cephalosporins
- 2<sup>nd</sup> gen cephalosporins
- 3<sup>rd</sup> gen cephalosporins
- 4<sup>th</sup> gen cephalosporins
- Carbapenems
- Monobactams



Gram-positive

Gram-negative

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## β-lactam Antibiotics Share Mechanism of Action

— Why are there different spectrum of activity for penicillins, cephalosporins, carbapenems?

- Broad and narrow susceptibility to beta-lactamases
- Different penicillin binding proteins
- Selective efflux pumps
- Ability to reach target site

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## β-lactam Adverse Effects

- Anaphylaxis / allergy
  - See lecture by Sandy Nelson
- Seizures
  - Imipenem, cefepime
- Myelosuppression, leukopenia, hemolytic anemia
- Hypersensitivity hepatitis: e.g. Oxacillin
- Biliary stasis/sludging
  - Ceftriaxone
- Renal
  - Interstitial nephritis

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## Penicillins

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Rx	Spectrum	Additional Adverse Events
Penicillin (oral/IV)	Group A strep; Syphilis	
Oxacillin/nafcillin (IV)	MSSA	AIN
Amoxicillin (oral)	Amox and amp have similar spectrum and are both broader than penicillin	
Ampicillin (IV)	More active against H. flu, E. coli, Enterococcus, Listeria	
Amoxicillin clavulanate (oral)	Broader spectrum than amox/amp due to addn of a beta-lactamase inhibitor; improved bioavailability (BID)	Delayed hepatotoxicity (amox/clav)
Ampicillin sulbactam (IV)	Some activity against S. aureus; more active against H. flu and other gram negatives due to stability to some beta-lactamases NOT active against Pseudomonas	
Piperacillin tazobactam (IV)	Active against oral and gut anaerobes Broader than amp/sulbactam Active against gram positive organisms including streptococci Broad activity against gram negatives incl Pseudomonas	

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## Question

- What is the only cephalosporin active against MRSA
- A) Cefpodoxime
- B) Cefapime
- C) Ceftaroline
- D) Cefixime
- E) Cefoxitin

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## Cephalosporins

- Bactericidal
  - inhibit bacterial cell wall synthesis
- Time dependent killing
- Resistance due to susceptibility to β-lactamases
- Fewer allergic reactions than PCN
- CSF penetration with third generation
- Most renally excreted

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## Key Points About Cephalosporin Activity

- Enterococci
  - None are active
- MRSA
  - Only ceftaroline active
- Anaerobic activity
  - Only Cephamicins active
    - (e.g., cefoxitin, cefotetan)
    - Now high levels of resistance

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## Cephalosporins

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Rx	Spectrum	Additional Adverse Events
1 <sup>st</sup> Gen Ceph •Cefazolin •Cephalexin	Staph and strep MSSA Some gram negatives including E. coli, Klebsiella, Proteus although 1 <sup>st</sup> generation cephalosporins are very susceptible to beta-lactamases	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Gen Ceph •Cephamycin •Cefuroxime	Gram positive cocci H. flu, E. coli, Klebsiella Cephamicin – active vs anaerobes, in vitro vs ESBLs (no clinical data)	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Gen Ceph •Ceftriaxone	Streptococci pneumoniae (excellent) Gram negative rods but NOT Pseudomonas Excellent CSF penetration Drug of choice for bacterial meningitis	Biliary sludge
4 <sup>th</sup> Gen Ceph •Cefepime	Broad gram positive and broad gram negative activity, including Pseudomonas Often used as empiric therapy in hospitalized patients (however may need to add vancomycin to treat MRSA)	Potential neurotoxicity, especially in patients with renal failure
5 <sup>th</sup> Gen Ceph •Ceftaroline	Broader than amp/sulbactam; ceftriaxone-like Prodrug Active against gram positive organisms including streptococci and broad activity against gram negatives incl Pseudomonas	

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## Ceftaroline Fosamil – a Prodrug (IV and IM, Not PO)

- Activity
  - Gram-positive including MRSA and MDR *S. pneumoniae*
    - Some activity vs *E. faecalis*; not *E. faecium*
  - Limited activity vs. anaerobes
    - Active vs *Cutibacterium* (formerly *Propionibacterium*) *acnes*, *Actinomyces* spp.

Lodise & Low, Drugs, 2012; Saravolatz et al. CID 2011; 52: 1156

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## Ceftaroline Fosamil – a Prodrug

(IV and IM, Not PO)

- Activity
  - Active vs Gram-negative pathogens
    - *E. coli*, *Klebsiella* spp., *H. influenzae* (incl B-lactamase positive), *M. catarrhalis*
      - Not *Pseudomonas* or ESBL+ GNB
      - Spectrum similar to ceftriaxone
  - Bactericidal, time dependent killing

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## Ceftaroline Clinical Use

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- Acute bacterial skin and soft tissue infections
- Community Acquired Pneumonia
- *S. aureus* bloodstream infection
  - Controversial-see Chambers Lecture
- Controversy over dosing regimen
  - 600mg twice daily – FDA-approved regimen

Lodise & Low, Drugs, 2012; Saravolatz et al. CID 2011; 52: 1156; Fife et al. CID 2010; 51: 1395; Zasowski et al. AAC 2017; 61(2); e2015-16; Gerlak et al. AAC 2019; 63(8); Kallil et al. AAC 2019; 63(11)

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## Ceftaroline Safety and Monitoring

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- Hypersensitivity 1-3%, rash 3%
- GI - nausea, vomiting, diarrhea 5%
- Hematologic toxicity (class effect)
  - Eosinophilia
  - Positive Coomb's test, rarely clinically significant
- Hepatotoxicity – LFT abn 1-7%
- Nephrotoxicity rare
- Neurotoxicity – tremor, confusion, seizure, encephalopathy
  - Worse with renal failure

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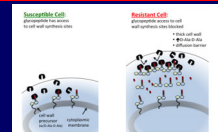
## Vancomycin

- Bactericidal (slowly)
  - inhibits bacterial cell wall synthesis
- Active against:
  - Gram Positive Aerobes
    - Streptococcus
    - Staphylococcus
    - Enterococcus
  - Gram Positive Anaerobes
    - Clostridia
    - Propionibacteria
    - Peptostreptococci
    - Actinomyces

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## Vancomycin Resistance

- VISA
  - Thick walls, generous binding sites...
- Vancomycin resistance
  - Not in Streptococcus
  - RARE in Staphylococcus
  - Common in Enterococcus
    - Rare in *E. faecalis* (4% in 2014)
    - Common in *E. faecium* (71% in 2014)
  - Mechanism
    - Change in vancomycin binding site on peptidoglycan



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### Vancomycin for MRSA Bloodstream Infection

- Controversy re: optimal therapy –see Dr. Chambers lecture
- Vancomycin trough only monitoring no longer recommended
  - Target AUC/MIC<sub>BMD</sub> ratio of 400 to 600
    - (assume vancomycin MIC<sub>BMD</sub> = 1 mg/L)
- Loading dose for seriously ill adults
  - 20–35 mg/kg can be considered
  - Pediatric doses higher
    - 60-80 mg/kg/day divided q 6-8 hours

Dosing Calculator helps!


<https://www.idsociety.org/practice-guideline/vancomycin/>



### Vancomycin ADRs / Interactions

#### Adverse Drug Reactions

- Nephrotoxicity
  - Duration > 14d
  - Dose > 4g / day
  - Trough > 20
- Ototoxicity
- Histamine Release Syndrome



#### Drug Interactions

- Increased nephrotoxicity when given with other nephrotoxins
  - Aminoglycosides
  - NSAIDs
  - Contrast
  - Cyclosporine
  - Tacrolimus
  - Loop Diuretics
  - ACE inhibitors

### Daptomycin (IV)

- Antimicrobial Class: Lipopeptide
- Broad spectrum gram + activity
  - Including MRSA
- Rapidly bactericidal
- Concentration-dependent killing
- Indications
  - cSSSI
  - S. aureus* bloodstream infection
  - Right-sided endocarditis

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### Daptomycin for *S. aureus* Bacteremia and Right IE

- Pneumonia
  - Do not use: surfactant binding inactivates drug
- Monitoring
  - CPK twice weekly
  - Discontinue if myopathy or CPK > 5x ULN
- Toxicity
  - Eosinophilic Pneumonia
    - Rx supportive care and steroids
  - Falsely prolonged Prothrombin Time
  - Muscle inflammation
    - CPK increase, myopathy, myositis
    - Risk factors: renal failure, statins, obesity

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### Vancomycin and Daptomycin

Drug	MOA	MOR	Spectrum	Adverse Event
Vancomycin	Inhibits cell wall synthesis (not a beta lactam)	Change in cell wall terminus from D-ala-D-ala to D-ala-D-lactate (high level resistance)	Gram positive cocci only including MRSA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Histamine release syndrome</li> <li>Kidney toxicity</li> </ul>
Daptomycin	Cell membrane depolarization Potassium efflux	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Decreased binding of drug to cell membrane</li> <li>Altered cell membrane potential</li> </ul>	Resistant gram positive cocci including MRSA and VRE  Inactivated by surfactant (not used for pneumonia)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Skeletal muscle toxicity</li> </ul>

### Oritavancin and Dalbavancin

Long Acting Glycopeptides

- Mechanism of Action
  - Similar to vancomycin
  - Inhibition of cell wall synthesis
- Dosing
  - Oritavancin: IV only: 1 dose (1200 mg over 3hours)
  - Dalbavancin: IV only: 1000mg, then 500mg every 7 days .....OR 1500mg x 1
- Approved
  - Skin and Soft Tissue
  - Oritavancin FDA warning against use in osteomyelitis
  - Dalbavancin also used for osteomyelitis, right sided endocarditis
- Toxicity
  - Oritavancin prolongs aPTT (artificially), PT, and activated whole blood clotting time (ACT) for 5 days

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## Oritavancin - Lipoglycopeptide With Long Half-life

- Mechanism of action
  - Inhibition of cell wall synthesis and disrupts bacterial membrane
  - Gram-positive spectrum
    - *S. aureus*, MRSA, VISA, VRSA, GAS, *S. anginosus* group
    - *E. faecalis*, *E. faecium*/VRE (active vs VanA, VanB, Van C, Van D)
- Bactericidal
- IV only, 1 dose
  - 1200 mg over 3 hours
- Cytochrome P450 enzyme – warfarin interaction
- FDA approved
  - ABSSSI

HF Chambers NEJM 2014; 370(23): 2238, [www.fda.gov](#)  
Arias et al CID 2012; 54 (Suppl 3): S233; OR Corey et al. NEJM 2014; 370(23): 2180-2190

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## Dalbavancin - Lipoglycopeptide With Long Half-life

- Gram-positive spectrum
  - *S. aureus*, MRSA, VISA, GAS
  - Low MRSA MICs
  - Enterococci – inactive vs VanA
- Mechanism of action – cell wall synthesis inhibit
- Bactericidal
- IV only ( dose over 30 min), long half-life (app 8.5 days)
- Dosing
  - 1000mg, then 500mg every 7 days OR 1500mg x 1
  - Decrease dose by 25% for CrCl <30ml/min, not dialysis
- FDA approved ABSSSI

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HW Boucher, M Wilcox, GH Talbot, S Puttagunta, AF Das, MW Dunne. NEJM 2014; 370(22): 2169

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## Lipo/glycopeptide Testable Toxicities

- Vancomycin: Nephrotox.; Histamine Release
- Daptomycin: CPK elevation, myopathy, rhabdomyolysis; Eosinophilic pneumonia
- Telavancin: Nephrotoxicity
- Oritavancin: LFT elevation; False prolongation of aPTT
- Dalbavancin: LFT elevation

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## Dalbavancin

- Other uses
  - Limited data, varying dosing regimens
    - Endocarditis and osteomyelitis
    - Persons who inject drugs
- Case reports of failure with emergence of VISA, presumably associated with low-level drug exposure
  - One patient had VISA detected in urine while on dalbavancin for CLASBI
  - One patient was pregnant and had failure of therapy for IE

• Steels JM et al. J Clin Pharm Ther. 2016;43:101-103.  
• Werth BJ et al. Clin Microbiol Infect. 2018;24:429.e1-429.e5.

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## Question

- Which quinolone has activity against MRSA
- A) Ciprofloxacin
- B) Moxifloxacin
- C) Trovafloxacin
- D) Delafloxacin
- E) Levofloxacin

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## Antibiotics Active Intracellularly

- Fluoroquinolones
- Tetracyclines
- Linezolid
- TMP/SMX
- Pleuromutins

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## Fluoroquinolone Mechanism of Action

- Topoisomerase inhibitors
  - Inhibits DNA gyrase and topoisomerases II and IV
  - Gyrase more for gram negs, topos for gram pos
- Resistance
  - Target site mutations
  - Drug permeability mutations
  - Occurs spontaneously on therapy

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## Fluoroquinolones Spectrum of Gram Positive Activity

	Gram-positive	Gram-negative	Anaerobes
Cipro	Poor strep Some MSSA	Best FQ for •Pseudomonas •E coli	Some
Levo	Good strep Some MSSA	Best for Stenotrophomas	Some
Moxi	Good strep Good MSSA	<b>Not effective</b> Don't use for UTI	<b>Best</b>

Dr. Gilbert will address Gram-negative activity

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## Fluoroquinolone Pharmacokinetics

- High oral bioavailability
  - >95% for moxi / levo, 70-80% for cipro
- Widely distributed to tissues
  - Lower than serum but therapeutic concentration in CSF, saliva, bone, and ascitic fluid
- Elimination
  - Levo / cipro: renal through tubular secretion
  - Moxi: >60% hepatic/ biliary unchanged

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## Fluoroquinolone Adverse Effects

- *C. difficile*
- Arthropathy/cartilage toxicity / tendonitis
  - FDA Warning for rare tendon rupture
    - Increased risk: advanced age, poor renal function, concomitant steroids
- Altered mental status (HA, dizziness, insomnia)
- Dysglycemia-FDA warning especially for older adults and diabetics
  - Hypo and hyperglycemia
- Aortic aneurysm and aortic dissection-FDA warning
  - Association is controversial
- QTc Prolongation:
  - Moxi > levo ? Cipro
  - Increased risk:
    - Concomitant QTc prolongers, cardiomyopathy, bradycardia, low K+ and Mg++

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## Delafloxacin

- Broad spectrum fluoroquinolone
- Potential advantages:
  - MRSA activity
  - Broad spectrum including Pseudomonas
- Dosing IV and oral twice daily
- Approved for skin and soft tissue infections

Saravolatz LD and Stein GE. Clin Infect Dis. 2019;68(6):1058–62

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## Tetracyclines: Major Clinical Uses

- Acne (minocycline)
- Respiratory tract infections
  - Atypical pneumonia
- Sexually Transmitted Diseases
  - Syphilis (*T. pallidum*) – alternative therapy
  - *Chlamydia* spp.
- Tick-Borne Illnesses
  - Lyme disease
  - Anaplasmosis
  - Ehrlichiosis
  - Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever
- Community Acquired MRSA infections

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## Tetracyclines: Adverse Effects

- Gastrointestinal
  - Nausea
  - Esophageal ulceration
  - Hepatotoxicity
- Skin
  - Photosensitivity
- Children
  - Yellow brown tooth discoloration if age <8 yrs for tetracyclines
  - **Doxycycline therapy OK for ≤21 days in children of all ages**
    - Ref: Redbook 2018 and Am Academy Pediatrics
- Pregnancy
  - Tetracyclines cross the placenta; accumulate in fetal bone/teeth
  - Most tetracyclines contraindicated in pregnancy

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## New Tetracyclines

	Omadacycline	Eravacycline
FDA approval	ABSSSI, CABP	clAI, not cUTI (failed studies)
Dosing	200 mg loading dose over 60 min day 1, 100mg IV over 30 min or 300mg orally once daily  No dose adjustment for renal/hepatic impairment	1mg/kg IV q 12h (over 60 minutes)  Dose adjustment with hepatic impairment
Activity	Broad spectrum: Gram-pos including MRSA, VRE; Gram-neg including ESBL, CRE (not all); anaerobes	
Issues	Limited activity vs carbapenem-resistant <i>K. pneumoniae</i>	High MIC <i>Pseudomonas</i> , <i>Burkholderia</i> spp.
Safety	GI, rash, ?heart rate	GI, rash

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## Question

- What is the major advantage of tedizolid compared to linezolid
- A) Longer half life
- B) Better penetration of prostate
- C) Better CSF Penetration
- D) Wide spectrum of activity against anaerobes
- E) More effective in clinical studies for VRE

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## Linezolid and Tedizolid Oxazolidinone Drug Class

- Mechanism
  - binds 50s ribosome/prevents formation of initiation complex
- Spectrum of activity
  - Gram positive cocci including MRSA and VRE
    - Linezolid resistant *Staph aureus* reported
  - Mycobacteria
- Resistance is rare; target change
- Linezolid bid; Tedizolid qd
- FDA approvals for Linezolid:
  - Skin and Soft Tissue, Pneumonia, VRE
  - NOT Bloodstream infection (Black Box Warning)

Shinabarger DL et al. Antimicrob Agents Chemother 1997; 41: 2132-36; Swaney SM et al. Antimicrob Agents Chemother 1998; 42: 3251-56; French G. Int J Clin Pract 2001; 55: 69-63

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## Linezolid Adverse Events

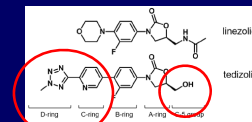
- Adverse events related to mitochondrial toxicity:
  - Cytopenias
    - Monitor CBC
  - Peripheral and optic neuropathy
  - Rare:
    - Lactic acidosis, serotonin syndrome (w SSRIs)
- ↑ mortality with catheter-associated bacteremia

Tsioltras S et al. Lancet. 2001;358: 207-208; Pillai SK et al. Clin Infect Dis 2002; 35: 1603-7; Wilson P et al. J Antimicrob Chemother 2003;51:186-88; Medwatch March 16, 2007

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## Tedizolid - Oxazolidinone Drug Class Once Daily Dosing, Lower Dose

- Non-antibiotic antibacterial; a MAO inhibitor
  - Inhibits protein synthesis, bacteroiostatic
    - Binds peptidyl transferase region of bacterial ribosome prevents binding of amino acyl tRNA
- Gram-positive spectrum
  - *S. aureus*, MRSA, VISA, GAS, *S. agalactiae*, *S. anginosus* group, *E. faecalis* (vanco-susceptible only)
- IV and oral
- Half-life 12 hours, once daily dosing
- 200 mg daily x 6 days
  - No dose adjustment for age, renal/hepatic impairment
- FDA approved ABSSSI
- HABP/VABP Study Failed



Moellering CID January 2014; [http://dx.doi.org/10.1093/cid/cir001](#); Prokocimer et al. JAMA 2013; Moran GJ, et al. Lancet Infect Dis. 2014;14:696-705; CID 2021

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## Sulfonamides & TMP/SMX

- 1<sup>st</sup> clinically used antibiotic: sulfanilamide
  - Identified as anti-streptococcal in 1932
  - Initially an industrial dye
  - Changed the face of WWII
- Combined with trimethoprim 1968
- Off-shoot: methotrexate
  - Used for various hematologic, oncologic, and rheumatologic conditions

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## TMP/SMX Mechanism of Action

- Together inhibit folic acid synthesis
- Sulfamethoxazole
  - Competitively inhibit incorporation of para-amino benzoic acid (PABA) into tetrahydropterico acid (THA)
    - SMX has higher affinity for THA than PABA does
- Trimethoprim
  - Inhibits dihydrofolate reductase (DFHR)
  - 50,000 to 100,000 times more active against bacterial DFHR than human enzyme

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## TMP/SMX Resistance Mechanisms

<b>Sulfamethoxazole</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• PABA overproduction<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Caution with OTC PABA supplements</li></ul></li><li>• Structurally mutated dihydroptericoate synthetase</li><li>• Decreased bacterial cell permeability</li></ul>	<b>Trimethoprim</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Novel plasmid-mediated DFHR</li><li>• Altered cell permeability</li><li>• Loss of binding capacity</li><li>• Overproduction of or alterations in dihydrofolate reductase</li></ul>
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## TMP-SMX Adverse Effects

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Anaphylaxis</li><li>• Skin rashes</li><li>• Bone marrow toxicity</li><li>• Kernicterus</li><li>• Hemolysis (G6PD def)</li><li>• Hepatitis</li></ul> <p>HIGH PLASMA PROTEIN BINDING</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Gastrointestinal effects</li><li>• “Nephrotoxicity”</li><li>• Fever</li><li>• Drug-drug interactions</li><li>• Hyperkalemia</li></ul> <p>COMPETES FOR TUBULAR SECRETION</p>
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## TMP/SMX Spectrum of Activity - Typical Bugs

- Gram Positive
  - Staphylococci: great
  - Streptococci: controversial
  - Enterococcus: not effective
- Gram Negative
  - *E. coli*: ok, increasing resistance
  - Enterobacterales: relatively effective
  - Pseudomonas / Acinetobacter: not effective
  - Stenotrophomonas: often drug of choice

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## TMP/SMX Spectrum of Activity - Odd Bugs

- *Stenotrophomonas maltophilia*
- *Listeria monocytogenes*
- *Nocardia*
- *Moraxella catarrhalis*
- *Pneumocystis jirovecii*
- *Toxoplasmosis gondii* (but not superior to pyr/sulf)
- *Chlamydia* (but enough resistance that its not used for STDs)
- Atypical mycobacteria

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## Lefamulin

- Pleuromutilin antibiotic with IV and PO formulation
  - Protein synthesis inhibitor
  - Bacteriostatic
- FDA Approved community acquired bacterial pneumonia
  - Non-inferior to moxifloxacin for CABP in two studies
    - 5 days of po lefamulin vs. 7 days of po moxifloxacin

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## Macrolides (Erythro, Clarithro, Azithro)

Protein Synthesis Inhibitor Binds 50s Ribosome

### Spectrum:

- CABP Pathogens:
- Streptococcus pneumoniae
  - Haemophilus influenzae
  - Moraxella catarrhalis
  - Legionella spp.
  - C. pneumoniae
  - Streptococcus groups A, C, and G

- Strep Pneumo Resistance
- Rising rates in US
    - Don't use macrolides if local rates of resistance > 25%

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## Macrolide Spectrum

### STDs

- Haemophilus ducreyi (chancroid)
- Chlamydia spp.

### GI pathogens

- Campylobacter spp.
- Helicobacter pylori
- Salmonella typhi
- Shigella spp.

### Miscellaneous Bugs

- Arcanobacter spp.
- Bartonella henselae (cat-scratch)
- Bordetella pertussis
- Atypical mycobacteria
- Borrelia burgdorferi
- Babesia microti

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## Macrolide Adverse Drug Reactions

- QTc Prolongation
  - Ery  $\geq$  clarith > azith
- GI intolerance: nausea, bloating, diarrhea
  - Ery >> clarith >> azith
  - Dose related
  - Activity at motilin (peristalsis) receptors
  - Rare cholestatic hepatitis
- Pregnancy risk

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## Clindamycin Adverse Events

- Allergic reactions:
  - Rash, fever, erythema multiforme, anaphylaxis
- Elevated AST/ALT
  - rare progression to severe liver injury
- Diarrhea
  - can cause severe C. difficile toxin-mediated colitis
- Reversible neutropenia, thrombocytopenia, and eosinophilia
- Taste disturbance

Sanford Guide, Brit J Clin Pharmacol 64:542, 2007; Clin Med Insights Case Rep 2019 Dec 25:12:1-4

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## Clindamycin

- Mechanism of action
  - Protein Synthesis Inhibitor
  - Binds 50s Ribosome

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**Protein Synthesis Inhibitors - Summary** Hidden-for reference only in syllabus

Drug	Mech of Action	Mech of Resist	Spectrum	Clinical Uses	Major Adverse Effect
Linezolid	50s	Mutation in ribosome	Gram + (resistant)	MRSA, VRE	Pancytopenia Serotonin syndrome
Tetracyclines (Doxycycline)	30s	Target site modification Efflux	Comm acq MRSA, atypical pneumonia pathogens, Lyme, rickettsia and other tick borne pathogens, Treponema pallidum	Lyme, RMSF, Comm Acq MRSA, acne, CABP	Enamel hypoplasia, photosensitivity Esophageal ulceration
Aminoglycosides	30s	Inactivating enzymes Efflux	GNRs	serious gram negative infx	Nephrotoxicity Oto-vestib toxicity
Macrolides	50s	Ribosomal mutations Target site modification Efflux	Gram + Atypical PNA pathogens	Atypical pneumonia, resp infx	p450 drug interactions GI upset QT prolongation
Clindamycin	50s	Target site modification Efflux Inactivate drug	Gram +, Anaerobes	Oral and intra-abd infx	C. difficile colitis

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