AMR in the Context of Cholera

Trends in antimicrobial resistance of V. cholerae O1/O139



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Current recommendations of antibiotics

First line

- Azithromycin: Adults: po 1g (500 mg x 2) single dose Children: po 200 mg/kg single dose
- Second line(not for children <5 years and pg women)</th>Ciprofloxacin:Adults po 1g (500 mg x 2) daily for 3 daysChildren po 20 mg/kg daily for 3 days

Third line

Doxycycline: 300 mg-single dose (not children of pg women) *Erythromycin: 6 hrs x 3 days , 2 yrs 125 mg; 2-8 years 250 mg; >8 yrs 250-500 mg

Resistance profile of V. cholerae against different antibiotics Indian strains 500 400 300 200



Number of Isolates

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Verma et al., Proc Nat Aca Sci. 2019; 116:6226-31

Year wise resistance pattern of *V. cholerae* O1 strains isolated during 2008-2015 Indian strains



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Tetracycline gene carried by SXT element





AMR of Vibrio cholerae from sub-Saharan Africa



No of studies

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Afr J Lab Med. 2018; 7(2): 778.

Antibiotic sensitivity test pictures







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Antimicrobial susceptibility testing committees

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✓ CLINICAL BREAKPOINTS

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Breakpoints are defined for clinical purposes (to treat patients) and not with the specific aim to detect resistance mechanisms

Epidemiological cut-off values can be used to detect resistance mechanisms





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Table 20. (Continued)

			Zone Diameter (mm)			MIC (µg/mL)			Comments
Antimicrobial		Disk	Interpretive Criteria			Interpretive Criteria			
Class	Antimicrobial Agent	Diffusion	S		R	S		R	
CEPHEMS (Continued)								See comment (3).	
	Ceftazidime	30 µg	≥21	18–20	≤17	≤4	8	≥16	Breakpoints are based on a dosage regimen of 1 g every 8 h.
	Cefuroxime sodium (parenteral)	30 µg	≥18	15–17	≤14	≤8	16	≥32	Breakpoints are based on a dosage regimen of 1.5 g every 8 h.
CARBAPENEMS									See comment (3).
	Imipenem	10 µg	≥23	20-22	≤19	≤1	2	≥4	Breakpoints are based on a dosage regimen of 500 mg every 6 h or 1 g every 8 h.
	Meropenem	10 µg	≥23	20-22	≤19	≤1	2	≥4	Breakpoints are based on a dosage regimen of 1 g every 8 h.
MACROLIDES									
	Azithromycin	-	-	_	-	≤2	_	-	(4) Due to limited clinical or <i>in vitro</i> MIC data for azithromycin and doxycycline, the utility of these interpretive criteria for <i>Vibrio</i> spp. other than <i>V. cholerae</i> is uncertain.
AMINOGLYCOSIDES								See comment (3).	
	Amikacin	30 µg	≥17	15-16	≤14	≤16	32	≥64	
	Gentamicin	10 µg	≥15	13-14	≤12	≤4	8	≥16	
TETRACYCLINES								•	(5) For V. cholerae, isolates susceptible to tetracycline are also susceptible to doxycycline.
	Doxycycline	-	-	-	_	≤4	8	≥16	See comment (4).
	Tetracycline	30 µg	≥15	12-14	≤11	≤4	8	≥16	
FLUOROQUINOLONES								See comment (3).	
	Ciprofloxacin	5µg	≥21	16-20	≤15	≤1	2	≥4	
	Levofloxacin	5 µg	≥17	14-16	≤13	≤2	4	≥8	
	Ofloxacin	5 µg	≥16	13-15	≤12	≤2	4	≥8	
FOLATE PATHWAY INHIBITORS									
	Sulfonamides	250 μg or 300 μg	≥17	13–16	≤12	≤256	-	≥512	 (6) Sulfasoxazole can be used to represent any of the current available sulfonamide preparations. (7) For V. cholerae only.
	Trimethoprim- sulfamethoxazole	1.25/23.75 µg	≥16	11-15	≤10	≤2/38	-	≥4/76	

Rapid detection of antimicrobial resistance

- MALDI-TOF MS mass spectral profiles and/or shifts within
- Real-time microscopy time lapse imaging
- Colorimetric and turbidity measurements (BD Phoenix)
- Transmittance of light due to turbidity (VITEK 2)
- Metabolic growth (MicroScan WalkAway)
- Identification and real-time imaging (PhenoTest BC)

Versatility of WGS



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Transmission events of seventh pandemic cholera



28 African isolates studied but all but one from East Africa :

Angola 1989 (n=1); Djibouti 2007 (n=3); Kenya 2005-2007 (n=17); Mozambique 1991, 2005 (n=6); Tanzania 2009 (n=1).

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Mutreja et al., Nature. 2011;477:462-65.

- 11 introductions to Africa Guinea 1970 ← Middle East Angola 1971 ← West Africa
- Five introductions to West Africa and six to East Africa
- Middle East acting as a springboard during six introductions.
- Followed by up to 28 years of regional circulation
- Two separated and persistent foci (West Africa and the Great Lakes-Horn of Africa region). Rare exceptions.



Weill et al. Science. 2017;358:785-789.

Prediction of MICs from the Whole Genome Data



4500 Genome Model

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Nguyen et al., JCM 2019



Focus areas

Development of NAP in line with GAP-AMR

AMR-related awareness-raising

National AMR surveillance

Rational use of antimicrobials and surveillance of use/sale (community)

IPC programme and AMS programme in health-care settings

Research and innovation

One Health engagement

GAP: Global Action Plan IPC: infection prevention and control NAP: national action plan



WHO priority pathogens list for R&D of new antibiotics

Priority 1: CRITICAL

- Acinetobacter baumannii, carbapenem-resistant
- Pseudomonas aeruginosa, carbapenem-resistant
- Enterobacteriaceae, carbapenem-resistant, ESBL-producing

Priority 2: HIGH

- Enterococcus faecium, vancomycin-resistant
- Staphylococcus aureus, methicillin-resistant, vancomycin-intermediate and resistant
- Helicobacter pylori, clarithromycin-resistant
- *Campylobacter* spp., fluoroquinolone-resistant
- Salmonellae, fluoroquinolone-resistant
- Neisseria gonorrhoeae, cephalosporin-resistant, fluoroquinolone-resistant

Priority 3: MEDIUM

- Streptococcus pneumoniae, penicillin-non-susceptible
- Haemophilus influenzae, ampicillin-resistant
- Shigella spp., fluoroquinolone-resistant



Actions and the Gaps

- Prioritizing the antimicrobials (Critical/High/Medium) [oral/IV]
- Clarity in identifying S/I/R
- Setting a lab manual for AMR testing with cut-off values, std strains etc.,
- Unified AMR screening with EQS
- Development of rapid AMR testing
- More research on "Knock-on" (indirect, or cumulative) effects include persister cell formation, alterations of the levels of virulence and pathogenicity during and after antibiotic treatment

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Rapid detection of *V. cholerae* O1

Mini-PCR machine operated by smartphone





Oligochromatograph of PCR amplicons



17 ctx and VSP-1
19 ctx and O1
21 ctx + O1 + VSP-1
18, 20, 22 -ve Contorls



2nd Meeting of the GTFCC in THSTI (2015)



