



Carbapenemase-producing bacteria in Europe- update from ECDC and future directions

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Multidrug-resistant, extensively drug-resistant and pandrug-resistant bacteria: an international expert proposal for interim standard definitions for acquired resistance



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Bacterium	MDR	XDR	PDR
Staphylococcus aureus	The isolate is non-susceptible to at least 1 agent in	The isolate is non-susceptible to at least 1 agent in all	Non-susceptibility to all
	\geq 3 antimicrobial categories listed in Table 1a [*]	but 2 or fewer antimicrobial categories in Table 1a.	agents in all antimicrobial
			categories for each
			bacterium in Tables 1a-1e
Enterococcus spp.	The isolate is non-susceptible to at least 1 agent in	The isolate is non-susceptible to at least 1 agent in all	
	\geq 3 antimicrobial categories listed in Table 1b	but 2 or fewer antimicrobial categories in Table 1b.	1 31
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Enterobacteriaceae	The isolate is non-susceptible to at least 1 agent in	The isolate is non-susceptible to at least 1 agent in all	
	\geq 3 antimicrobial categories listed in Table 1c	but 2 or fewer antimicrobial categories in Table 1c.	Card Contractor
Pseudomonas aeruginosa	The isolate is non-susceptible to at least 1 agent in	The isolate is non-susceptible to at least 1 agent in all	
	\geq 3 antimicrobial categories listed in Table 1d	but 2 or fewer antimicrobial categories in Table 1d.	
Acinetobacter spp.	The isolate is non-susceptible to at least 1 agent in	The isolate is non-susceptible to at least 1 agent in all	
	\geq 3 antimicrobial categories listed in Table 1e	but 2 or fewer antimicrobial categories in Table 1e.	

Mortality rates of infections with carbapenem resistant Enterobacteriaceae



Patel et al. Infect Control Hosp Epidemiol. 2008 Dec;29(12):1099-106 Borer et al. Infect Control Hosp Epidemiol. 2009 Oct;30(10):972-6 Ben-David et al. Clin Microbiol Infect. 2011 Feb 1

Type of infections studied

carbapenem-resistant K. pneumoniae BSI

Marchaim et al. 2008

Enterobacter spp.

Gasink et al. 2009

Borer et al. 2009

sensitive

K. pneumoniae infections

Infections in patients with

Infections in patients with

Ben-David et al. 2011

Patel et al. 2008 Infections with

> Marchaim et al. AAC.2008 Apr;52(4):1413-8. Gasink et al. ICHE. 2009; 30(12): 1180-1185. Schwaber et al. AAC. 2008 April; 52(4): 1413–1418



Carbapenemases: main types of enzymes



Acronym	Name or type	First isolated
КРС	Klebsiella pneumoniae carbapenemase	1996
VIM	Verona integron-encoded metallo-beta-lactamase	1997
OXA-48	OXA-type carbapenemase	2001
NDM-1	New Delhi metallo-beta-lactamase	2008

• Mobile genetic elements- propensity to spread

Limited treatment options

- Resistance profile can vary according to carbapenemase
- Other mechanisms of resistance
- Resistant to all beta-lactams, carbapenems
- Aminoglycosides, fluoroquinolones
- Tigecycline, colistin
- Fosfomycin



Adapted from: Nordmann *et al.* Emerg Infect Dis. 2011 Oct;17(10):1791-8

Worldwide geographic distribution of Verona integron–encoded metallo-β-lactamase (VIM) and IMP producers





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Geographic distribution of New Delhi metallo-β-lactamase-1 producers; July 15, 2011





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Trends in the number of cases annually of New Delhi metallo-βlactamase (NDM)-producing *Enterobacteriaceae* and *Acinetobacter* spp. in EU/EEA countries, 2007-Q1 2011





Only Germany and UK reported data on NDM-producing Acinetobacter spp.



•106 cases in 13 countries

•Among 55 travel history available

•31 cases received healthcare or travelled to India or Pakistan

•5 cases had received healthcare in the Balkans

•13 cases of presumed secondary transmission in Europe

Source: European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control. Updated risk assessment on the spread of NDM and its variants within Europe. Stockholm: ECDC; 2011

Species distribution of NDM- producing *Enterobacteriaceae* EU, Iceland and Norway; N= 135 isolates (106 cases)





Source: ECDC, 2011. Updated ECDC risk assessment on the spread of New Delhi metallo-β-lactamase (NDM) and its variants within Europe. Unpublished data.

Geographic distribution of OXA-48 producers





Adapted from: Nordmann *et al*. Emerg Infect Dis. 2011 Oct;17(10):1791-8 Potron *et al*. Clin Microbiol Infect. 2011 Dec;17(12):E24-6.

Klebsiella pneumoniae: proportion of invasive isolates resistant to carbapenems; EU/EEA, 2009-2010

— < 1% 1 to < 5%

5 to < 10%10 to < 25

25 to < 50% > 50%

Not included

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Source: ECDC, Antimicrobial resistance surveillance in Europe 2010. Annual Report. EARS-Net. ECDC, 2011

EARS-Net



Increase from 22 to 28 countries reporting for K. pneumoniae (2005-2010)

• 18 countries reported continuously

Increase of 56% (366 to 570) laboratories $2005 \rightarrow 2010$ for *K. pneumoniae*

• 140 laboratories reported continuously



Surveillance in Europe EARS-Net



•Carbapenem resistance in invasive K. pneumoniae since 2005

- Continuously reporting laboratories in Europe 140
- •Report resistance- no resistance mechanisms

•No confirmation of carbapenemases



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Combination (COMB)
Clinical Laboratory Standards Institute
Commissie Richtlijnen Gevoeligheidsbepalingen (CRG)
Deutsches Institut für Normung (DIN)
European Committee for Antimicrobial Susceptibility
Testing (EUCAST)
Norwegian Working Group on Antibiotics (NWGA)
Société Française de Microbiologie (SFM)

Percentage of laboratories using interpretive criteria for antimicrobial susceptibility testing in 2010.

Source: EARS-Net EQA report, June 2010; data presented at annual meeting

Klebsiella pneumoniae: percentage carbapenem-resistant invasive isolates reported to EARSS/EARS-Net by year, 2005–2010



Only laboratories that continuously reported susceptibility results for carbapenems during the period 2005–2010 are included in the analysis.

Food for thought



- Susceptibility of *K. pneumoniae* to carbapenems is decreasing
- Detection and publication bias of current reports or CPE
- Is carbapenem resistance a good indicator of CPE in EARS-Net?
- What about confirmatory testing and reporting of this?
- Issues surrounding heterogeneity of breakpoints that laboratories are using
- Expansion of antimicrobials reported to EARS-Net in the era of pandrug resistance?

Reservoirs and concerns



•Evidence for carbapenemases in the environment

- Puddles from Marrakech and Plateau du Kik, Morocco: *S. marcescens* with OXA-48; isolates most likely identical; PFGE showed isolates clonally related
- Samples from seepage and tap water from New Delhi: *Enterobacteriaceae* and non-fermenters carrying NDM-1
- Increased reporting of autochthonous cases in Europe

Unknown reservoir

Carbapenemase-producing Enterobacteriaceae : extent of spread in Europe, as of July 2010



- Not reported
- Sporadic occurrence
- Single hospital outbreak
- Independent hospital outbreaks
- Regional spread
- Inter-regional spread
- Endemic
- u Other countries

Likely underdetection and/or underreporting of cases

Epidemiological scale and stages of nationwide expansion of healthcare-associated carbapenem-non-susceptible Enterobacteriaceae

Epidemiological scale	Description	Stage
No cases reported	No cases reported	0
Sporadic occurrence	Single cases, epidemiologically unrelated	1
Single hospital outbreak	Outbreak defined as more than two epidemiologically related cases in a single institution	2a
Sporadic hospital outbreaks	Unrelated hospital outbreaks with independent, i.e. epidemiologically unrelated introduction or different strains, no autochthonous inter-institutional transmission reported	2b
Regional spread	More than one epidemiologically related outbreak confined to hospitals that are part of a regional referral network, suggestive of regional autochthonous inter-institutional transmission	3
Inter-regional spread	Multiple epidemiologically related outbreaks occurring in different health districts, suggesting inter- regional autochthonous inter-institutional transmission	4
Endemic situation	Most hospitals in a country are repeatedly seeing cases admitted from autochthonous sources	5



Adapted and updated from: Grundmann H, et al. Eurosurveillance 2010;15(46). pii: 19711. Funding source: European Commission, DG Research, project number 223031 (TROCAR).

ECDC Risk Assessment on CPE Patient mobility and transfer



Cross-border transfer of patients

Strong evidence that it is associated with risk for transmission when:

- Patients are transferred from countries with high rates of CPE to healthcare facilities in other countries
- Patients had received medical care abroad in areas with high rates of CPE



Adapted from Rogers et al. 2011

Source: ECDC, Risk assessment on the spread of carbapenemase-producing *Enterobacteriaceae* (CPE) Technical Report. 13 September 2011 http://ecdc.europa.eu/en/publications/Publications/110913 Risk assessment resistant CPE.pdf

ECDC Risk Assessment on Carbapenemases



Risk factors for colonisation or infection with CPE

Prior use of antimicrobials

- Any antimicrobial
- Carbapenems (associated with a high risk estimate)
- Other antimicrobials (fluoroquinolones, cephalosporins, anti-pseudomonal penicillins)

Other

- ICU admission
- Longer length of stay
- Mechanical ventilation
- Hospital stay within the last 12 months
- Immunosuppression and recent transplantation
- Severity of illness
- Invasive procedures
- Transfer of patients within units of same hospital

ECDC Technical Report, September 13 2011; http://ecdc.europa.eu/en/publications/Publications/110913_Risk_assessment_resistant_CPE.pdf

Risk assessment on the spread of carbapenemaseproducing *Enterobacteriaceae*



Infection control during outbreaks

- Active surveillance by rectal screening
- Cohort nursing for carrier patients
- Additional contact precautions for carrier patients

Additionally

- Prudent use of antibiotics
- Control of ESBL
- Notification of public health authorities
- Surveillance



Why should we be concerned?



- □Carbapenem resistance is on the rise in Europe
- Transmissibility
- □Cross-border transfer of patients poses a risk
- □Not only in hospitals
- Evidence of community/environmental reservoirs
- □Autochthonous spread
- □Pandrug resistance
- □Penetration of *E.coli* carrying carbapenemases in environment
- □Higher mortality of patients with CRE
- □Infection control issues

How to contain inter-facility spread of CPE



Enhanced detection, surveillance & preparedness at nation

Epidemic intelligence at European level

- Sharing of information between public health authorities, European Commission and ECDC:
 - -Early warning and response system (EWRS): authorities
 - -Information exchange systems (EPIS): experts
 - -Epidemiological bulletins (*Eurosurveillance*): public

Why and how to turn the tide?



- □National guidance documents
- □ Need for vigilance and active screening high risk patients
- Culture data communicated to healthcare facilities when transferring patients
- □ Rapid notification of clinicians and public health authorities
- □ Strict hand hygiene and infection control measures
- □ Antibiotic stewardship-prudent use of antimicrobials
- Standardisation of antimicrobial resistance breakpoints and MDR/XDR/PDR definitions
- Need for further research on molecular epidemiology and reservoirs of CPE