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#### INVITED ARTICLE REVIEWS OF ANTI-INFECTIVE AGENTS

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The Antimicrobial Therapy Puzzle: Could Pharmacokinetic-Pharmacodynamic Relationships Be Helpful in Addressing the Issue of Appropriate Pneumonia Treatment in Critically Ill Patients?

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Therapeutic Drug Monitoring of Beta-Lactams and Other Antibiotics in the Intensive Care Unit: Which Agents, Which Patients and Which Infections?

Muller AE, Huttner B et al. *Drugs* 2018;78:439-451

- Beta-lactam antibiotics, the cornerstone of antibacterial therapy, never traditionally belonged to this group; with only a few exceptions, they are rarely toxic, and as a class have manifested strong clinical effectiveness even with fixed-dose, empiric regimens.
- Yet the global increases in antimicrobial resistance are slowly turning this paradigm. Minimal inhibitory concentrations (MIC)—the lowest levels of drug needed to hinder visible bacterial growth after 16–20 h of incubation—are increasing steadily, particularly for common intensive care unit (ICU) pathogens like *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* and *Acinetobacter* spp.
- Though a major focal point, less susceptible pathogens are not the only factor narrowing the beta-lactams' therapeutic range; the "average" human host has changed as well. The prevalence of both geriatric and "long-term immunosuppressed" patients is growing progressively; obesity rates have more than doubled in past decades; and the critically ill can now be maintained as a population in prolonged states of clinically important altered physiology.

# CLINICAL EPIDEMIOLOGY OF THE GLOBAL EXPANSION OF Klebsiella pneumoniae CARBAPENEMASES

Munoz Price SL et al. Lancet Infect Dis 2013; 13: 785-96

#### EPIDEMIOLOGICAL FEATURES OF PRODUCERS OF K. pneumoniae CARBAPENEMASES BY COUNTRY OF ORIGIN



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# **Deaths attributable to AMR every year**



## DALI: Defining Antibiotic Levels in Intensive Care Unit Patients: Are Current β-Lactam Antibiotic Doses Sufficient for Critically Ill Patients? Roberts JA et al. *Clin Infect Dis.* 2014;58:1072-83

# Table 2.Clinical and Demographic Characteristics of IncludedPatients

Characteristic	All Patients (n = 361)	Patients Treated for Infection (n = 248)
Male sex, %	65	65
Age, y	61 (48–73)	60 (48–74)
Weight, kg	75 (65–85)	78 (65–86)
APACHE II score	18 (13–24)	18 (14–24)
SOFA score	5 (2–9)	6 (3–9)
Serum creatinine concentration, µmol/L	77 (53–134)	76 (53–144)
Calculated creatinine clearance, mL/min	80 (42–125)	82 (44–125)
Urinary creatinine clearance, mL/min	62 (31–107)	64 (32–103)

#### **PK/PD** Target Description 50% f T\_MIC Free drug concentration maintained above MIC of the known or suspected pathogen for at least 50% of dosing interval. This was considered to be the most conservative PK/PD target. 50% $fT_{>4\times MIC}$ Free drug concentration maintained above a concentration 4-fold higher than the MIC of the known or suspected pathogen for at least 50% of dosing interval. 100% f T>MIC Free drug concentration maintained above MIC of the known or suspected pathogen throughout the entire dosing interval. 100% $f T_{>4\times MIC}$ Free drug concentration maintained above a concentration 4-fold higher than the MIC of the known or suspected pathogen throughout the entire dosing interval. Positive clinical Completion of treatment course without change or addition of antibiotic therapy, and with no outcome additional antibiotics commenced with 48 h of cessation. De-escalation to a narrower spectrum antibiotic was permitted but excluded from the clinical outcome analysis. Negative clinical Any clinical outcome other than positive clinical outcome outcome.

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 Table 1.
 Definitions Used for Pharmacokinetic/Pharmacodynamic

 and Clinical Endpoints
 Pharmacokinetic/Pharmacodynamic

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#### Table 4. Multivariate Regression Results of Clinical Outcome for Patients Who Did Not Receive Renal Replacement Therapy

		50% fT <sub>&gt;MIC</sub>		100% <i>f</i> T <sub>&gt;MIC</sub>				
Model Parameters	OR	95% CI	P Value	OR	95% Cl	P Value		
APACHE II score	0.94	.92–.96	<.001	0.94	.92–.96	.97		
SOFA score	0.97	.94–1.00	.053	0.97	.94–1.01	.13		
50% fT <sub>&gt;MIC</sub>	1.03	1.01-1.04	.001					
100% fT <sub>&gt;MIC</sub>				1.02	1.01–1.05	.040		
AIC	1758.60							
BIC	1785.07							

Of the 248 patients treated for infection, 16% did not achieve 50% fT>MIC and these patients were 32% less likely to have a positive clinical outcome (odds ratio [OR], 0.68; P = .009).

Positive clinical outcome was associated with increasing 50% T>MIC and 100% T>MIC ratios (OR, 1.02 and 1.56, respectively; P < .03), with significant interaction with sickness severity status.

#### Role of renal function in risk assessment of target non-attainment after standard dosing of meropenem in critically ill patients: a prospective observational study

Ehmann L. et al. Critical Care 2017;21:263

The attainment of two PK/PD targets (100%T>MIC, 50%T>4×MIC) was evaluated for MIC values of 2 mg/L and 8 mg/L and standard meropenem dosing (1000 mg, 30-minute infusion, every 8 h).

The planned sampling time points per intensively monitored dosing interval were as follows: <u>15 minutes</u>, <u>30 minutes</u>, <u>1.5 h</u>, <u>4 h</u>, and <u>8 h</u> (directly before next dose; Cmin) after the start of infusion.

A total of 48 patients were included. 83.3% of patients had sepsis. CrCL was of 70.8 (34.8-160) mL/min.

### Role of renal function in risk assessment of target non-attainment after standard dosing of meropenem in critically ill patients: a prospective observational study



- Attainment of the target 100%T>MIC was merely 48.4% and 20.6%, given MIC values of 2 mg/L and 8 mg/L, respectively, and similar for the target 50%T>4×MIC.
- The investigated standard meropenem dosing regimen appeared to result in insufficient meropenem exposure in a considerable fraction of critically ill patients

# CONFRONTING THE THREAT OF MULTIDRUG-RESISTANT GRAM-NEGATIVE BACTERIA IN CRITICALLY ILL PATIENTS

Cohen J. J Antimicrob Chemother 2013, 68(3): 490-491.

# POSSIBLE STRATEGIES TO DEAL WITH THE PROBLEM OF MDR GRAM-NEGATIVE INFECTIONS IN CRITICALLY ILL PATIENTS

- Empirical combination therapy using a carbapenem with other antibiotic classes should be used first-line in critically ill patients at risk for MDR Gram-negative bacteria
- Pharmacokinetic/pharmacodynamic optimization of antibiotics with Gram-negative activity can overcome resistance associated with MDR Gram-negative bacteria
- Strategies to limit antibiotic exposure, such as shorter courses of antibiotics, attenuate the emergence of resistant Gram-negative bacteria
- Active surveillance of MDR Gram-negative bacteria with isolation should be an active component of infection control bundles to prevent the proliferation of MDR Gram-negative bacteria



The effect of pathophysiology on pharmacokinetics in the critically ill patient Concepts appraised by the example of antimicrobial agents Blot S, Pea F, Lipman J. *Adv Drug Deliv Rev.* 2014;77:3-11

	Concentration-dependent	Time-dependent	Concentration-dependent with time-dependence
Objective Optimal PK/PD index Antimicrobials	Maximize concentrations C <sub>max</sub> /MIC Aminoglycosides Daptomycin Fluoroquinolones Ketolides Metronidazole Quinupristin/dalfopristin	Maximize duration of exposure T > MIC Carbapenems Cephalosporins Erythromycin Linezolid Clarithromycin Lincos amides Penicillins MDD→ EI-CI	Maximize amount of drug exposure AUC <sub>0-24 h</sub> / MIC Azithromycin Clindamycin Linezolid Tetracyclines Fluoroquinolones Aminoglycosides Quinupristin/dalfopristin Tigecycline Vancomycin



# **EDITORIAL**

# Therapeutic drug monitoring in the era of precision medicine: opportunities!

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- Individual patients might benefit from dose adjustments based on rapidly determined drug levels that are compared with the scarce pharmacokinetic data available.
- In a sense, laboratories would, therefore, simultaneously generate both drug development and TDM data.
- This exciting and novel application of TDM requires .....rapid turnaround times so that assays can be used for drug development and individual patient care.
- This new and exciting era of precision medicine has created neverbefore-seen opportunities for TDM in support of drug development and patient care

# Innovative approach to optimizing antimicrobial therapy



#### Adapted from Pai MP et al. Adv Drug Deliv Rev 2014; 77: 50-57

#### Therapeutic Drug Monitoring of Beta-Lactams and Other Antibiotics in the Intensive Care Unit: Which Agents, Which Patients and Which Infections?

Indications for beta-lactam TDM	Comments, references
Patients	
Critically ill	[8, 43, 47]
Augmented renal clearance	Low serum creatinine predicts subtherapeutic plasma concentrations [8, 45]
Obesity	[63]
Renal insufficiency	Particularly haemodialysis or CRRT patients [56]
Elderly	[62]
Cystic fibrosis	[55]

#### Muller AE, Huttner B et al. Drugs 2018;78:439-451

#### **CONTINUOUS vs. INTERMITTENT B-LACTAM INFUSION IN SEVERE SEPSIS** A META-ANALYSIS OF INDIVIDUAL PATIENT DATA FROM RANDOMIZED TRIALS Roberts JA et al. *Am J Respir Crit Care Med.* 2016 Sep 15;194(6):681-91.

#### BASELINE DEMOGRAPHIC AND CLINICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE COMBINED STUDY POPULATION

Characteristic	Continuous Infusion ( <i>n</i> = 312)	Intermittent Dosing (n = 320)
Age, yr Male sex	61 (49–70) 198 (63 5)	63 (49–72) 204 (63 8)
APACHE II score	21 (16–26)	20 (16-25)
Organism identified	97 (31.1)	114 (35.6)
Study antibiotic		()
Piperacillin-tazobactam	203 (65.1)	221 (69.1)
Meropenem	94 (30.1)	93 (29.1)
Cefepime	11 (3.5)	2 (0.6)
Ticarcillin-clavulanate	4 (1.3)	4 (1.2)
Antibiotic 24-h dose, g		
Piperacillin-tazobactam	13.5 (13.5–18.0)	13.5 (13.5–18.0)
Meropenem	3.0 (2.0–3.0)	3.0 (1.7–3.0)
Cetepime	6.0 (6.0-6.0)	6.0
licarcillin-clavulanate	12.4 (12.4–13.2)	12.4
Duration from ICU admission to	1 (0-4)	1 (1-4)
randomization, d	F (0, 7)	1 (0 7)
Duration of randomized treatment, d	5(2-7)	4(2-7)
Organ dysfunction	7 (4-12)	6 (3-12)
Cardiovascular	214 (68 6)	217 (67.8)
Bespiratory	207 (66.3)	208 (65.0)
Renal	74 (23.7)	82 (25.6)
Metabolic acidosis	71 (25.2)	73 (25.2)
Hematological	45 (14.4)	32 (10.0)
Primary infection site		
Lung	175 (56.1)	172 (53.8)
Intraabdominal	70 (22.4)	79 (24.7)
Blood	28 (9.0)	31 (9.7)
Skin or skin structure	22 (7.1)	28 (8.8)
Urinary tract	21 (6.7)	23 (7.2)
Central nervous system	4 (1.3)	7 (2.2)
Ear, nose, and throat	4 (1.3)	2 (0.6)
Indwelling vascular catheter	4 (1.3)	1 (0.3)
Pleural	2 (0.6)	3 (0.9)
Bone and joint	4 (1.3)	0 (0.0)
Current Current Current Control	3 (1.0)	1 (0.3)
Othere	10 (2.2)	0 (0.0)
Others	10 (3.2)	4 (1.3)

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#### DIFFERENCES IN MORTALITY FOR CONTINUOUS INFUSION (CI) VERSUS INTERMITTENT INFUSION

#### A HOSPITAL MORTALITY CENSORED AT DAY 30

	CI		II			Risk Ratio			Risk I	Ratio		
Study or Subgroup	Events	Total	Events	Total	Weight	M-H, Fixed, 95% Cl		N	I-H, Fixe	d, 95% C		
Abdul-Aziz 2016	20	70	28	70	33.3%	0.71 [0.45, 1.14]				-		
Dulhunty 2015	39	212	52	220	60.7%	0.78 [0.54, 1.13]				-		
Dulhunty 2013	2	30	5	30	5.9%	0.40 [0.08, 1.90]						
Total (95% CI)		312		320	100.0%	0.73 [0.55, 0.98]			•			
Total events	61		85									<u> </u>
Heterogeneity: Chi <sup>2</sup> =	0.69. df =	2 (P =	0.71): I <sup>2</sup> :	= 0%			0.1	0.2	0.5 1	2	5	10
Test for overall effect:	Z = 2.11	(P = 0.0	)3)					Favors CI			Favors	II

#### INTENSIVE CARE UNIT MORTALITY

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	С	I	11	_		<b>Risk Ratio</b>			Ri	sk Ra	tio		
Study or Subgroup	Events	Total	Events	Total	Weight	M-H, Fixed, 95% Cl			M-H, F	ixed, 9	95% Cl		
Abdul-Aziz 2016	13	70	17	70	29.2%	0.76 [0.40, 1.45]					-		
Dulhunty 2015	32	212	38	220	64.0%	0.87 [0.57, 1.34]							
Dulhunty 2013	2	30	4	30	6.9%	0.50 [0.10, 2.53]							
Total (95% CI)		312		320	100.0%	0.82 [0.58, 1.16]							
Total events	47		59										<del></del>
Heterogeneity: Chi <sup>2</sup> =	0.49, df =	2 (P =	0.78); I <sup>2</sup> =	= 0%			0.1	0.2	0.5	1	2	5	10
Test for overall effect:	Z = 1.14	(P = 0.2)	25)					Fav	ors CI		Fav	ors II	



### Might real-time pharmacokinetic/pharmacodynamic optimisation of highdose continuous-infusion meropenem improve clinical cure in infections caused by KPC-producing Klebsiella pneumoniae? Pea F, Cojutti P et al. Int J Antimicrob Agents. 2017;49:255-58

Pharmacokinetic/pharmacodynamic analysis of continuous-infusion meropenem (MER) therapy optimised by means of clinical pharmacological advice in patients with KPCproducing *Klebsiella pneumoniae* infections (*n* = 30).

Patient ID	Site of infection	CCI	MER MIC (mg/L)	Daily MER dose (g/daily)	CL <sub>Cr,C-G</sub> (mL/min)	C <sub>ss,mean</sub> (mg/L)	C <sub>ss,mean</sub> /MIC ratio	Combination therapy	Length of treatment (days	Outcome
1	BSI	3	0.5	5.2 + 1.1	123.0 + 27.8	15.6	31.2	AMK+CIP	9	Cured
2	Cholangitis	0	1	$3.4 \pm 1.1$	$91.2 \pm 5.8$	21.3	21.3	TIG+COL	21	Cured
3	UTI	0	1	$5.2 \pm 3.2$	$79.0 \pm 5.5$	53.5	53.5	АМК	7	Cured
4	IAI	2	2	$4.7 \pm 2.3$	53.4	28.6	14.3	GEN	8	Cured
5	UTI	2	2	$5.0 \pm 2.0$	$77.9 \pm 92.1$	62.2	31.1	GEN	9	Cured
6	BSI	3	2	$3.0 \pm 0.8$	$62.6 \pm 22.0$	107.2	53.6	TIG+COL	15	Cured
7	BSI	3	4	4.0	122.3	23.3	5.8	TIG+COL	14	Cured
8	BSI	2	4	$3.5 \pm 0.6$	113.8 ± 27.1	32.0	8.0	TIG+GEN	15	Cured
9	Sepsis	5	4	$1.8 \pm 0.3$	$46.1 \pm 1.0$	37.0	9.2	GEN+FOS+COL	20	Cured
10	UTI	0	4	$4.5 \pm 1.9$	$58.2 \pm 5.8$	48.5	12.1	GEN	14	Cured
11	Septic shock	4	4	7.5	33.2	143.0	35.8	TIG+GEN	8	Cured
12	UTI	3	8	4.5	$81.2 \pm 2.3$	33.0	4.1	GEN	7	- ·
13	BSI	2	8	$4.8 \pm 1.5$	80.1 ± 7.6	47.0	5.9	COL	14	73 3 %
14	Cholecystitis	2	8	$3.7 \pm 0.5$	$38.1 \pm 9.1$	51.0	6.4	TIG+COL	13	
15	BSI	0	32	$8.9 \pm 1.6$	$254.7 \pm 62.3$	46.0	1.4	TIG+ERT+FOS+SXT	69	Cured
16	UTI	1	32	$5.3 \pm 1.2$	$54.3 \pm 2.5$	61.1	1.9	GEN	8	Cured
17	IAI	4	64	$4.3 \pm 0.5$	$30.9 \pm 6.1$	41.6	0.7	TIG+COL+RIF	15	Cured
18	BSI	2	64	$2.8 \pm 1.0$	$68.9 \pm 4.2$	45.3	0.7	TIG+COL	24	Cured
19	BSI	2	64	$7.0 \pm 1.2$	$141.2 \pm 18.4$	59.2	0.9	TIG+COL+RIF	16	Cured
20	BSI	2	64	$13.2 \pm 1.0$	$143.4 \pm 6.0$	85.3	1.3	GEN+ERT+RIF	27	Cured
21	BSI	2	64	$11.1 \pm 3.6$	$107.4 \pm 29.9$	87.4	1.4	TIG+COL+RIF+ERT	22	Cured
22	BSI	2	64	$10.6 \pm 1.9$	$127.4 \pm 24.0$	94.5	1.5	TIG+COL+RIF	16	Cured
23	BSI	5	16	$5.0 \pm 0.9$	$44.4 \pm 13.1$	77.7	4.9	TIG+COL+RIF+AMK	19	Failed
24	BSI	6	32	$1.7 \pm 0.6$	$114.8 \pm 41.6$	18.6	0.6	TIG+COL	6	Failed
25	BSI	2	64	$6.4 \pm 3.6$	$91.4 \pm 15.3$	29.8	0.5	TIG+COL+RIF	14	Failed
26	Pneumonia	5	64	$4.8 \pm 1.1$	$86.1 \pm 48.7$	91.0	1.4	TIG+COL	13	Failed
27	BSI	3	64	$5.7 \pm 0.8$	$32.0 \pm 8.5$	133.7	2.1	TIG+COL+RIF+GEN	21	Failed
28	BSI	2	>64	4.0	85.8	23.2	<0.4	AMK	7	Failed
29	BSI	2	>64	4.0	257.6	24.0	<0.4	TIG+COL+RIF+AMK+FOS	8	Failed
30	BSI	6	>64	6.0	42.2	69.4	<0.5	TIG+COL	6	Failed

BSI, bloodstream infection; UTI, urinary tract infection; IAI, intra-abdominal infection; CCI, Charlson co-morbidity index; MIC, minimum inhibitory concentration; CL<sub>Cr,C-G</sub>, creatinine clearance estimated by means of the Cockcroft–Gault formula; *C*<sub>ss,mean</sub>, mean steady-state concentration; AMK, amikacin; CIP, ciprofloxacin; TIG, tigecycline; COL, colistin; GEN, gentamicin; FOS, fosfomycin; ERT, ertapenem; SXT, trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole; RIF, rifampicin.

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Univariate logistic regression analysis of variables associated with clinical cure from KPC-producing *Klebsiella pneumoniae*-related infections (*n* = 30 patients).

Variable	OR (95% CI)	<i>P</i> -value
Age	1.032 (0.969-1.100)	0.322
Male sex	1.154 (0.218-6.097)	0.866
$CCI \ge 4$	0.158 (0.025-0.999)	0.050*
Length of therapy	1.091 (0.936-1.271)	0.264
Meropenem $C_{ss}$ /MIC ratio $\geq 1$	10.556 (1.612-69.122)	0.014*
Meropenem C <sub>ss</sub> /MIC ratio ≥4	12.250 (1.268-118.361)	0.030*
Meropenem MIC	0.965 (0.930-1.003)	0.068
Site of infection		
BSI	0,143 (0,015-1,363)	0.091
No. of co-administered antimicro	obials	
1 active drug	3.267 (0.334-31.914)	0.309
2 active drugs	0.952 (0.179-5.081)	0.954
3 active drugs	2.059 (0.202-20.959)	0.542
≥4 active drugs	0.167 (0.022-1.282)	0.085

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#### **KEY POINTS**

- Our study seem to suggest that high dose continuous infusion meropenem optimized by means of rapid regimen adjustment based on real-time TDM may be helpful in improving clinical outcome when dealing with the treatment of infections caused by KPC-Kp with an MIC for meropenem of ≤ 64 mg/L
- Consistently, knowledge of local prevalence data of KPC-Kp epidemiology should be considered mandatory nowadays, since the proportion of strains with an MIC > 64 mg/L for meropenem may vary greatly from hospital to hospital. It's worth noting that it was only of 10% in our case-series



### Population Pharmacokinetics of High-Dose Continuous-Infusion Meropenem and Considerations for Use in the Treatment of Infections Due to KPC-Producing *Klebsiella pneumoniae*

Cojutti P et al. Antimicrob Agents Chemother 2017 Sep 22; 61(10)

**TABLE 2** Permissible HDCI meropenem regimens enabling acceptable PTA of the PK/PD targets in relation to different classes of renal function and to the meropenem MIC of the invading KPC-producing *Klebsiella pneumoniae* strain<sup>a</sup>

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Is MIC increase of meropenem against *Klebsiella pneumoniae* carbapenemase (KPC)-producing *Klebsiella pneumoniae* correlated with the increase of resistance rates against some other antibiotics with Gram-negative activity?

Cojutti P et al. J Glob Antimicrob Resist 2018 May 15; e-pub ahead of print



# AMINOGLYCOSIDES: HOW SHOULD WE USE THEM IN THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY ?

Jackson J et al. Curr Opin Infect Dis 2013 Dec; 26(6): 516-25

DOSING AND MONITORING

- C<sub>max</sub>/MIC and AUC/MIC ratios are the best PK/PD predictors associated with aminoglycoside efficacy
- Increasing evidence suggests that AGAs should be administered as a once daily dose (ODD), taking advantage of their concentration-dependent bactericidal effect as well as their post-antibiotic effect
- Some evidence suggests clinical outcomes may be improved and nephrotoxicity reduced with ODD
- ODD in antibiotic courses <10 days may be particularly beneficial in delaying or preventing renal impairment



# **Colistin (Polimyxin E)**



Cheah SE et al. J Antimicrob Chemother 2015;70:3291–7 Velkov T et al. J Med Chem 2010;53:1898–916. Ortwine JK et al. Pharmacotherapy 2015;35(1):11–16

# POP PK ANALYSIS OF COLISTIN METHANESULFONATE AND COLISTIN AFTER IV ADMINISTRATION IN CRITICALLY ILL PATIENTS WITH INFECTIONS CAUSED BY GRAM-NEGATIVE BACTERIA Plachouras D et al. Antimicrob Agents Chemother 2009; 53: 3430-3436



Time after first dose (hours)



#### MAJOR ARTICLE



# Dosing Guidance for Intravenous Colistin in Critically Ill Patients

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#### Table 2. Suggested Loading and Daily Doses of Colistimethate for a Desired Target colistin C<sub>ss,avg</sub> of 2 mg/L in Various Categories of Critically ill Patients

Dose	Category of Critically III Patient	Dosing Suggestions <sup>a</sup>
Loading dose	All patient categories	Equation 1: Loading dose of CBA (mg) = C <sub>ss.avg</sub> target (mg/L) × 2.0 × ideal body weight (kg) To achieve a C <sub>ss.avg</sub> of 2 mg/L in a patient with an ideal body weight of 75 kg, the loading dose would be 300 mg CBA (9 million IU), the suggested maximum loading dose. The 1st regular daily dose should be administered 12 h later.
Daily dose⁵	Not receiving RRT	Equation 2 <sup>c</sup> : Daily dose of CBA (mg) = C <sub>ss,avg</sub> target (mg/L) × 10 <sup>(0.0048 × CrCl + 1.825)</sup> See Table 3 ("look-up" table) for the daily dose to target a plasma colistin C <sub>ss,avg</sub> of 2 mg/L, depending on the patient's creatinine clearance.
	Receiving RRT	The baseline daily dose of colistimethate for a C <sub>ss,avg</sub> of 2 mg/L in a patient with creatinine clearance of 0 mL/min is 130 mg/d of CBA (3.95 million IU/d) (see Table 3) <sup>d</sup> ; the supplement to the baseline daily dose needed during receipt of RRT is 10% of the baseline dose per 1 h of RRT.
	Intermittent hemodialysis	Nondialysis day: CBA dose of 130 mg/d (3.95 million IU/d), ie, baseline dosing for a C <sub>ss,wg</sub> of 2 mg/L; dialysis day supplement: add 30% or 40% to baseline daily dose after a 3- or 4-h session, respectively. <sup>e</sup> The dialysis session should occur toward the end of a colistimethate dosing interval, and the supplement to the baseline (nondialysis) daily dose should be administered with next regular dose, after the dialysis session has ended.
	SLED	During SLED: add 10% per 1 h of SLED replacement to baseline daily dose for a C <sub>ss.avg</sub> of 2 mg/L <sup>f</sup> ; for a patient receiving a 10-h nocturnal SLED session each day and receiving colistimethate every 12 h, the dose would be (baseline CBA dose of 130 mg/d for a patient with creatinine clearance of 0 mL/min + supplemental dose comprising 10% of the baseline dose per h × 10 h); ie, for this case the CBA dose would be 260 mg/d (7.9 million IU/d). It is suggested that the SLED session begin 1–2 h after the afternoon/evening dose; in such a case, it may be most convenient and safe to administer 130 mg CBA (3.95 million IU) every 12 h.
	CRRT	During CRRT: add 10% per 1 h of CRRT to the baseline daily dose for a C <sub>ss,avg</sub> of 2 mg/L <sup>g</sup> ; the suggested CBA dose is 440 mg/d (~13 million IU/d).

#### MAJOR ARTICLE



# Dosing Guidance for Intravenous Colistin in Critically Ill Patients

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# Table 3. "Look-up" Table of Daily Doses of Colistimethate for a DesiredTarget colistin Css,avgof 2 mg/L for Narrow Windows of Creatinine Clearance

Creatining algoration	Dose of Col for C <sub>ss,avg</sub> c	istimethate of 2 mg/Lª	
mL/min	CBA, mg/d	Million IU/d	
0	130	3.95	
5 to <10	145	4.40	
10 to <20	160	4.85	
20 to <30	175	5.30	
30 to <40	195	5.90	
40 to <50	220	6.65	
50 to <60	245	7.40	
60 to <70	275	8.35	
70 to <80	300	9.00	
80 to <90	340	10.3	
≥90	360	10.9	



**Figure 3.** Percentage of patients in each creatinine clearance cluster achieving average steady-state plasma concentrations of colistin ( $C_{ss,avg}$ ) of  $\ge 0.5$ ,  $\ge 1$ ,  $\ge 1.5$ ,  $\ge 2$ , and  $\ge 4$  mg/L using the daily dose of colistimethate in Table 3 relevant to the actual creatinine clearance of each patient.

Daily dose administered in 2 divided doses 12 h apart

# WHAT IS THE RELEVANCE OF FOSFOMYCIN PK IN THE TREATMENT OF SERIOUS INFECTIONS IN CRITICALLY ILL PATIENTS?

Parker S et al. Int J Antimicrob Agents 2013; 42: 289-293

KEYPOINTS FOR OPTIMAL DOSAGE OF FOSFOMYCIN IN THE CRITICALLY ILL

- Fosfomycin is hydrophilic  $\rightarrow \uparrow$  Vd plus  $\uparrow$  CL<sub>R</sub> are expected in septic patients
- PD  $\rightarrow$  time-dependent activity
- T1/2  $\rightarrow$  ~ 2h in presence of normal renal clearance (NRC) or < 2h in ARC
- Dosage of fosfomycin disodium → up to 16-18 g/day
  - in 4 refracted doses (NRC)  $\rightarrow$  up to 3-4g q6h
  - in 6 refracted doses (ARC)  $\rightarrow$  up to 2-3 g q 4h ?
  - $\downarrow$  dose amount but maintain dosing interval in IRC

- WARNING:
  - $\rightarrow$  330 mg Na<sup>+</sup> per gram of fosfomycin disodium
  - → avoid use in patients with heart failure (Reffert J et al. Pharmacotherapy 2014;34:845-57)

# Population Pharmacokinetics and Pharmacodynamics of Levofloxacin in Acutely Hospitalized Older Patients with Various Degrees of Renal Function

Cojutti P et al. Antimicrob Agents Chemother. 2017;61(2):e-02134-16

Characteristic	Value
Patient demographic	
Age (yr [mean $\pm$ SD])	81.2 ± 7.8
Gender (male/female) [n (%)]	103/65 (61.3/38.7)
Body wt (kg) [median (IQR)]	70 (65–80)
CrCL <sub>CKD-EPI</sub> (ml/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup> ) <sup>a</sup> [median (IQR)]	30.2 (18.2–50.2)
Indication for levofloxacin use [n (%)]	
Community-acquired pneumonia	77 (45.8)
Urinary tract infections	22 (13.1)
Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease	19 (11.3)
Fever of unknown origin	12 (7.1)
Sepsis of unknown origin	13 (7.7)
Intra-abdominal infections	11 (6.6)
Skin and soft tissue infections	8 (4.8)
Bone and joint infections	6 (3.6)
Patients with identified microbiological isolates [n (%)]	49 (29.2)
Levofloxacin treatment	
Duration of therapy (days) [median (IQR)]	10 (7–14)
Route of administration (oral/i.v.) [n (%)]	145/23 (86.3/13.7)
Clinical outcome [n (%)]	
Cured	95 (56.5)
Improved	28 (16.7)
Failed	26 (15.5)
Dead/modified antibiotic therapy	19 (11.3)

МІС	Dosing regimen (mg) for class of renal function (ml/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup> ):						
(mg/liter)	0–19	20–39	40–59	60–79	>80		
0.125	125 every 48 h	500 every 48 h	500 every 48 h	500 every 48 h	750 every 48 h		
0.25	250 every 48 h	500 every 48 h	500 every 48 h	750 every 48 h	750 every 24 h		
0.5	500 every 48 h	750 every 48 h	500 every 24 h	750 every 24 h	500 every 12 h		

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CFR of the permissible doses of levofloxacin against the invading pathogens more frequently yielded in the study population according to their EUCAST MIC distributions

Class of renal function	Levofloxacin	CFR			
(ml/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup> )	dose (mg)	S. aureus	H. influenzae	E. coli	P. aeruginosa
0–19	125 every 48 h	59.89	99.66	82.06	16.48
	250 every 48 h	77.03	99.78	85.07	40.36
	500 every 48 h	81.59	99.85	87.34	62.24
20–39	500 every 48 h	79.22	99.79	85.80	47.07
	750 every 48 h	81.26	99.84	87.12	59.63
	500 every 24 h	81.49	99.85	87.43	63.08
40–59	500 every 48 h	71.28	99.73	83.45	25.81
	750 every 48 h	77.73	99.78	85.26	42.03
	500 every 24 h	79.42	99.81	86.16	50.72
	750 every 24 h	81.13	99.84	87.28	61.63
60–79	500 every 48 h	57.19	99.65	81.57	14.41
	750 every 48 h	70.61	99.73	83.52	26.68
	500 every 24 h	74.86	99.76	84.55	36.08
	750 every 24 h	79.16	99.81	86.20	51.22
>80	750 every 48 h	60.72	99.67	82.12	18.21
	500 every 24 h	67.91	99.71	83.27	25.50
	750 every 24 h	75.51	99.77	84.90	39.43
	500 every 12 h	81.67	99.85	87.52	63.81

## Once daily high dose tigecycline – pharmacokinetic/pharmacodynamic based dosing for optimal clinical effectiveness: dosing matters, revisited

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#### **Key issues**

Susceptibility breakpoints for CRE: resistance implications • Tigecycline is a minocycline derivative highly active against all Gram-positive, nearly all Gram negative and all anaerobic FDA EUCAST pathogens Susceptible: MIC ≤ 2 mcg/ml • Susceptible: MIC  $\leq 1 \text{ mcg/ml}$  Due to its broad spectrum of activity, tigecycline has Resistant: MIC ≥ 8 mcg/ml Resistant: MIC > 2 mcg/ml emerged as first line therapy for serous systemic infections including those due to multi-drug resistant (MDR) Gram Standard dose - 100 mg x1, negative bacilli (GNB) incluc 2.2 Enterobacteriacae (CRE). followed by 50 mg twice daily Tigecycline has no activity ag 2 (mcg/mL) Once daily dosing - 200 mg x1, Proteus sp., and some Providen 1.8 In serous systemic infections ( followed by 100 mg daily efficacy is dependent on opti-1.6 MDR GNB pathogens. Once daily dosing - 400 mg x1, Concentration Once daily SDT has been used 1.4 followed by 200 mg daily cSSSIs, and CAP. 1.2 Standard dose tigecycline (SDT) concentrations could result in c 1 resistance, especially in treating • Tigecycline has a long serum 0.8 permits once daily is dosing a **Figecycline** 0.6 dependent killing. Pharmacokinetic/pharmacodyna 0.4 of tigecycline using higher dose concentrations and prolonged e 0.2 Clinically, high dose tigecyclin 0 effective treatment for severe sy 0 2 4 6 8 10 12 14 16 18 20 22 24 Once daily HDT is the optimal systemic infections particularly Time since last dose (hr) GNB infections.

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# High-dose tigecycline (HDT) optimizes clinical effectiveness.

Tigecycline: suggested infusion regimens <sup>b</sup>						
Tigecycline dose <sup>a</sup> (mg)	Infusion volume (ml)	Infusion time (min)				
100	100	30				
200 <sup>c</sup>	250	60				
400 <sup>d</sup>	500	120				

<sup>a</sup>Maintenance dose is half the loading dose.

<sup>b</sup>To minimize/eliminate nausea/vomiting.

For serious systemic infections.

<sup>d</sup>For serious systemic infections or UTIs due to MDR gram-negative pathogens. Adapted from: Cunha CB, Cunha BA. Antibiotic Essentials (15th Ed.) JayPee Medical Publishers, New Delhi, 2017; pp. 700–701.

# Recently approved antibiotics and drugs in development

	Drug name	Drug class	Potential indications
Recently approved	Ceftazidine/ Avibactam	Cephalosporin/ β-Lactamase inhibitor	cIAI, cUTI, HAP/VAP
	Ceftaroline	Extended spectrum cephalosporin	Pneumonia, skin infections
	Solithromycin	Macrolide (fluoroketolide)	CAP
	Tedizolid	Oxazolidinone	HAP/VAP, skin infections
	Ceftolozane/ Tazobactam	Cephalosporin/ β-Lactamase inhibitor	HAP/VAP, cIAI, cUTI
In development	Aztreonam/ Avibactam	Monobactam/ β-Lactamase inhibitor	cIAI
	Cadazolid	Quinolonyl-oxazolidinone	C. difficile infection
	Ceftaroline/ Avibactam	Cephalosporin/ β-Lactamase inhibitor	Bacterial infections
	Delafloxacin	Fluoroquinolone	Skin infections, CAP, cUTI
	Eravacycline	Tetracycline	cIAI, cUTI
	Finafloxacin11	Fluoroquinolone	cUTI, cIAI, skin infections
	Iclaprim	Dihydrofolate reductase inhibitor	Skin infections, HAP/VAP
	lmipenem/ Relebactam	Carbapenem/ β-Lactamase inhibitor	cUTI, cIAI, HAP/VAP
	Meropenem/ Vaborbactam	Meropenem/boronic β-Lactamase inhibitor	cUTI, cIAI, HAP/VAP, BSI
	Nemonoxacin8	Quinolone	CAP, skin infections
	Omadacycline	Tetracycline	CAP, skin infections, cUTI
	Plazomicin	Aminoglycoside	cUTI, BSI, HAP/VAP, cIAI
	S-649266	Siderophore cephalosporin	BSI, HAP/VAP, cUTI
	Zabofloxacin	Fluoroquinolone	CAP

*clAl* complicated intra-abdominal infection, *cUTI* complicated urinary tract infection, *HAP/VAP* hospital-acquired pneumonia/ventilator-associated pneumonia, *CAP* community-acquired pneumonia, *BSI* bloodstream infection

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#### ANTIMICROBIAL SPECTRUM OF NEW ANTIBIOTICS IN DEVELOPMENT

Antibiotic	ESBL- producing Enterobacteria- ceae	KPC-producing Klebsiella pneumoniae	MBL-producing Enterobacteria- ceae	AmpC- producing Enterobacteria- ceae	Pseudomonas aeruginosa (including MDR strains)	Acinetobacter baumannii (including carbapenem- resistant strains)	Anaerobes
Ceftolozane/tazobactam	$\checkmark$	×	×	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	×	Limited <sup>a</sup>
Ceftazidime/avibactam	$\checkmark$	Limited <sup>b</sup>	×	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	×	Limited <sup>c</sup>
Aztreonam/avibactam	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	x	×	N/D
Imipenem/relebactam	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	×	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	N/D	$\checkmark$
Meropenem/RPX7009	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	×	$\checkmark$	x	x	$\checkmark$
Eravacycline	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	N/D	x	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Plazomicin	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	×	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	×
S-649266	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	N/D	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	×

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#### CEFTOLOZANE PLASMA PHARMACOKINETIC PARAMETERS IN HEALTHY ADULT PARTICIPANTS AFTER 1000-MG DOSE

ADMINISTERED AS A 1-HOUR IV INFUSION EVERY 8 HOURS FOR 10 DAYS

Agent	n	C <sub>max</sub> (μg/mL) <sup>a</sup>	AUC (µg h/mL)ª	Clearance (L/h) <sup>a</sup>	V <sub>ss</sub> (L) <sup>a</sup>	$t_{1/2}$ (hours) <sup>a</sup>
Day I						
Ċ	<b>6</b> <sup>b</sup>	52.8 ± 12.5	148.6 ± 27 <sup>c</sup>	6.73 ± 1.22	17.8 ± 3.8	2.38 ± 0.36
С	5 <sup>d</sup>	68.8 ± 11.7	168 ± 28.6 <sup>e</sup>	6.01 ± 0.84	4.  ± 2.6	2.30 ± 0.39
C + T	<b>10</b> <sup>d</sup>	69.1 ± 7.8	172 ± 23.7 <sup>e</sup>	5.86 ± 0.80	14.6 ± 2.3	2.77 ± 0.83
Day 10						
С	<b>6</b> <sup>b</sup>	58.0 ± 6.0	43.3 ± 22.1 <sup>°</sup>	6.98 ± 1.07	7.  ± 2.3	2.69 ± 0.65
С	5 <sup>d</sup>	73.4 ± 11.2	195 ± 30 <sup>e</sup>	5.54 ± 0.74	13.4 ± 2.4	2.73 ± 0.66
C + T	<b>10</b> <sup>d</sup>	74.4 ± 10.1	197 ± 33 <sup>e</sup>	5.58 ± 0.70	4.2 ± 2.4	3.12 ± 0.68

Abbreviations: AUC, area under the plasma concentration-time curve; C, ceftolozane; C + T, ceftolozane with 500 mg tazobactam; n, number of participants;  $C_{max}$ , maximum plasma concentration; IV, intravenous;  $t_{1/2}$ , elimination half-life;  $V_{ss}$ , volume of distribution at steady state. <sup>a</sup>Data reported as mean ± SD after first dose (day 1) and after multiple doses (day 10).

<sup>b</sup>Ge et al.<sup>24</sup>

<sup>c</sup>AUC<sub>0-∞</sub>. <sup>d</sup>Miller et al.<sup>11</sup>

<sup>e</sup>AUC<sub>0-last</sub>.

#### PHARMACOKINETIC CHARACTERISTICS OF CEFTOLOZANE/TAZOBACTAM

	Ceftolozane/tazobactam
FDA indications	cIAI (with metronidazole), cUTI (including pyelonephritis)
Dosing	
$CL_{Cr} > 50 mL/min$	1.5 g i.v. q8h
CL <sub>Cr</sub> 30–50 mL/min <sup>a</sup>	750 mg i.v. q8h
CL <sub>Cr</sub> 15–29 mL/min <sup>b</sup>	375 mg i.v. q8h
$CL_{Cr}$ 6–15 mL/min	N/A
$CL_{Cr} \leq 5 mL/min$	N/A
ESRD on HD	Load 750 mg i.v. $ imes$ 1, then 150 mg i.v. q8h
Infusion time	1 h
Ratio of cephalosporin to BLI	2:1 ceftolozane:tazobactam
Hepatic dosage adjustment	No
Drug interactions <sup>•</sup>	No clinically significant CYP450 interactions.
-	No other enzymatic interactions anticipated



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S-649266	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	N/D	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	×

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#### SUMMARY OF PHARMACOKINETIC PARAMETERS OF CEFTAZIDIME AND AVIBACTAM

Parameter	Ceftazidime, 2 g every 8 h	Avibactam, 500 mg every 8 h
C <sub>max</sub> , mg/L	90.4	14.6
<i>t</i> <sub>1/2</sub> , h	2.7	2.7
V, L	17	22.2
AUC <sub>0-tau</sub> , mg⋅h/L	291	38.2
Protein binding, %	21	8
Elimination (urine), %	83	>97

 $C_{\text{max}}$ , peak serum concentration;  $t_{1/2}$ , half-life; V, volume of distribution; AUC<sub>0-tau</sub>, area under the curve over the dosing interval.

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RECOMMENDED DOSES FOR PATIENTS WITH VARYING DEGREES OF RENAL IMPAIRMENT

- CLCR 31-50 mL/min
- CLCR 16-30 mL/min
- CLCR 6-15 mL/min
- CLCR ≤ 5 mL/min

- $\rightarrow$  1.25 g IV every 8 h
- $\rightarrow$  0.94 g IV every 12 h
- $\rightarrow$  0.94 g IV every 24 h
- $\rightarrow$  0.94 g IV every 48 h

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