

# Antimicrobico-resistenza: cure e ambiente #6

## L'eclettismo dell'antibiotico-resistenza

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# Nuovi antibiotici per la cura di infezioni da Gram negativi MDR in oncoematologia

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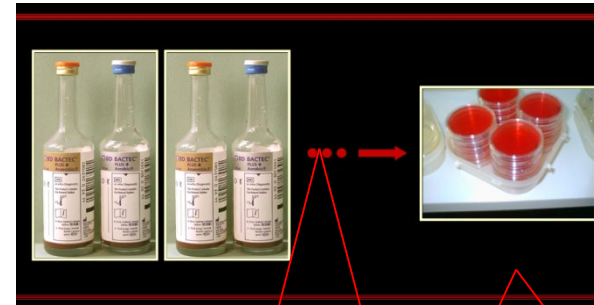


***Il sottoscritto Mario Tumbarello***

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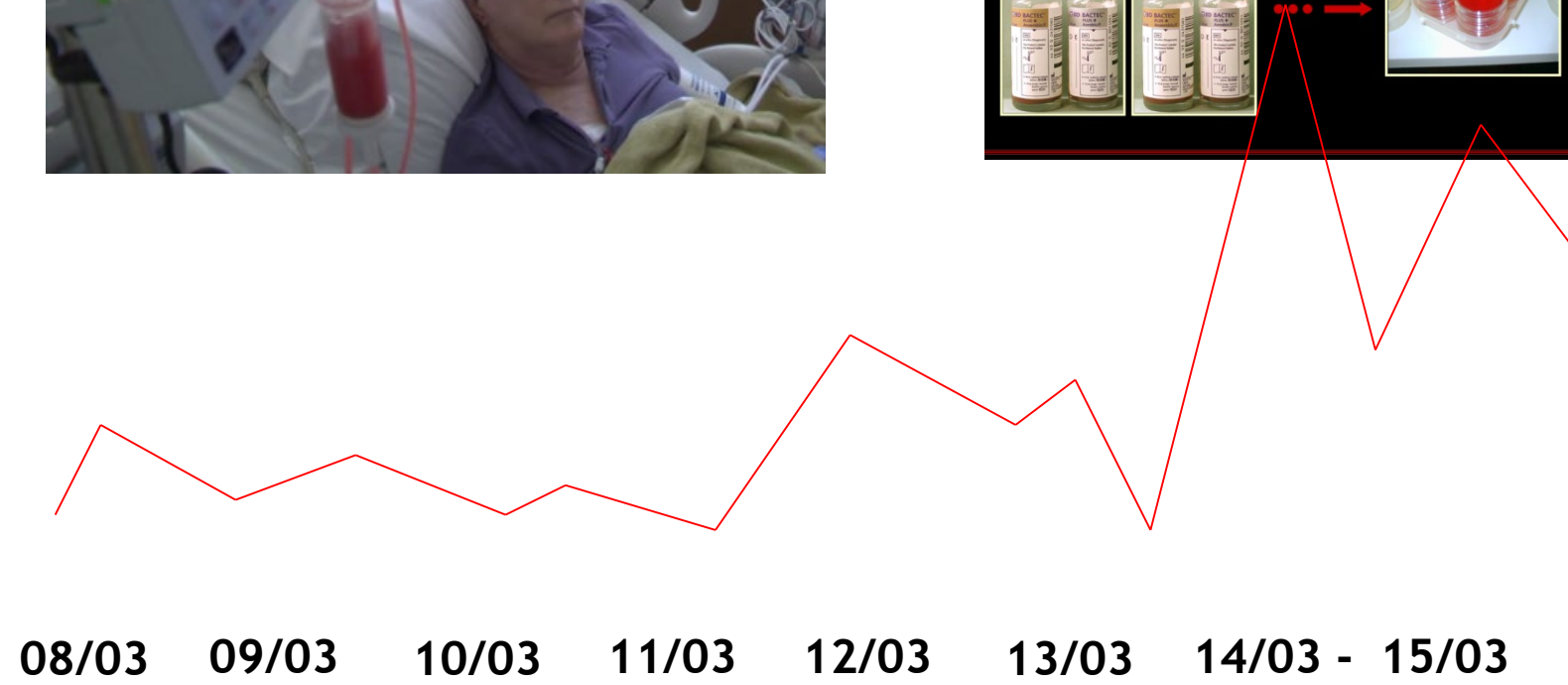
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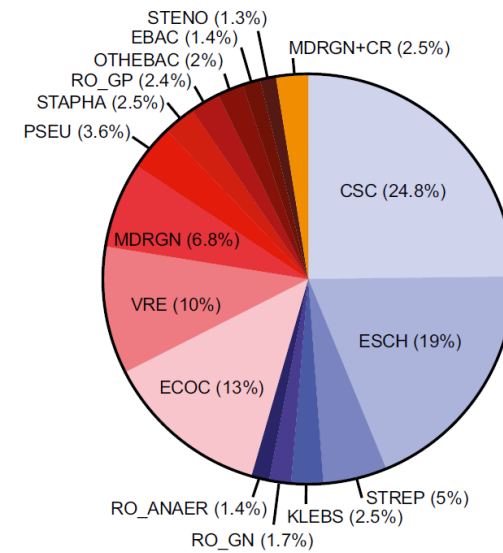
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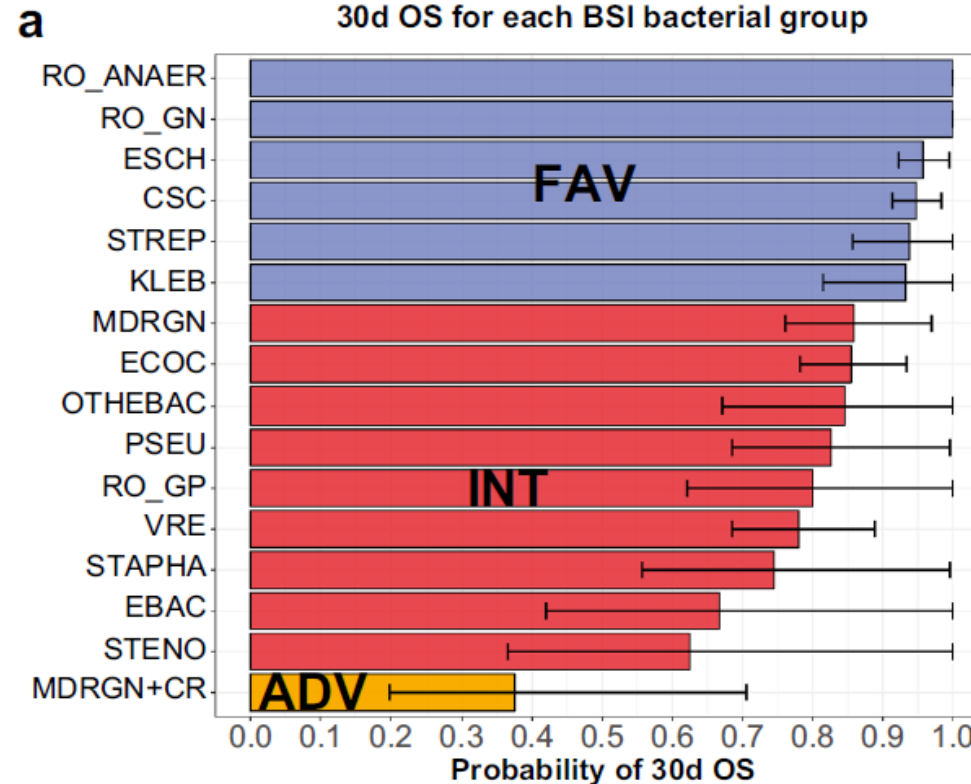
## Profiling of bacterial bloodstream infections in hematological and oncological patients based on a comparative survival analysis

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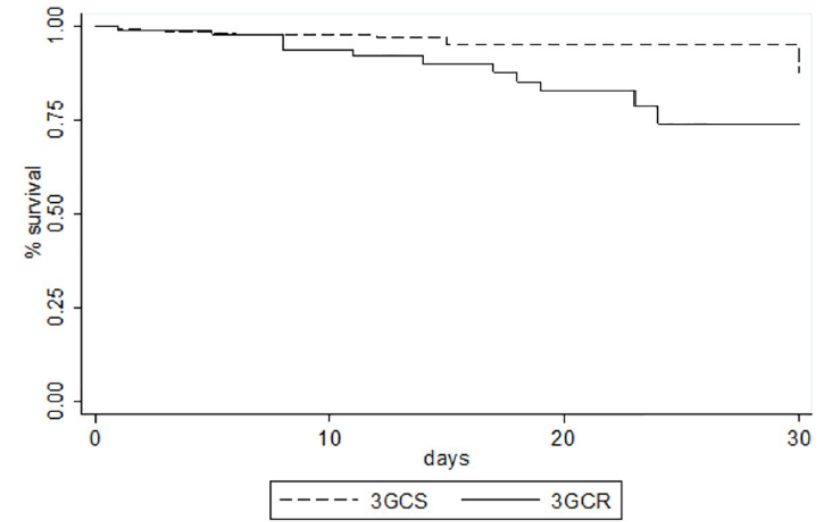
637 bacterial BSI episodes in hematological and oncological patients

Polymicrobial BSI (different organisms on the first day of a BSI episode) and sequential BSI (another BSI before the respective BSI episode) were associated with a worse 30d OS.



# Bloodstream infections caused by *Escherichia coli* in onco-haematological patients: Risk factors and mortality in an Italian prospective survey

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15 Italian haematological wards

342 cases of EC BSI were collected during the study period.

The rate of resistance to 3GC among EC isolates was 25.7% (88/342)

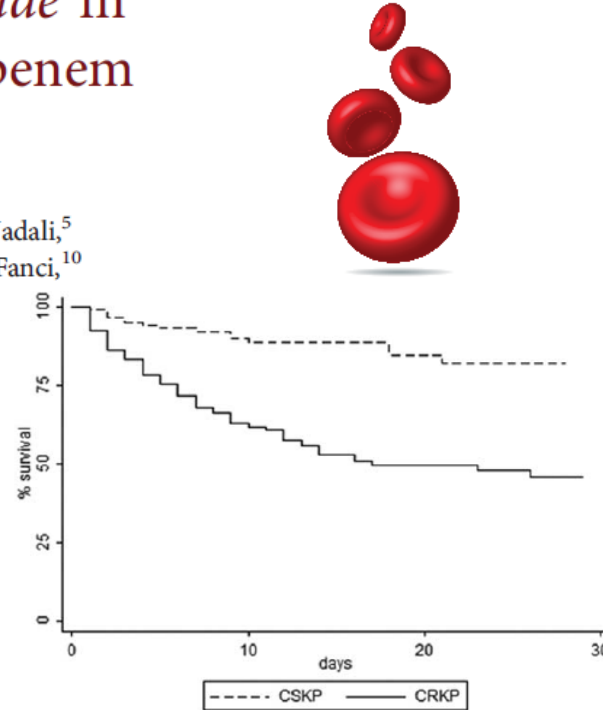
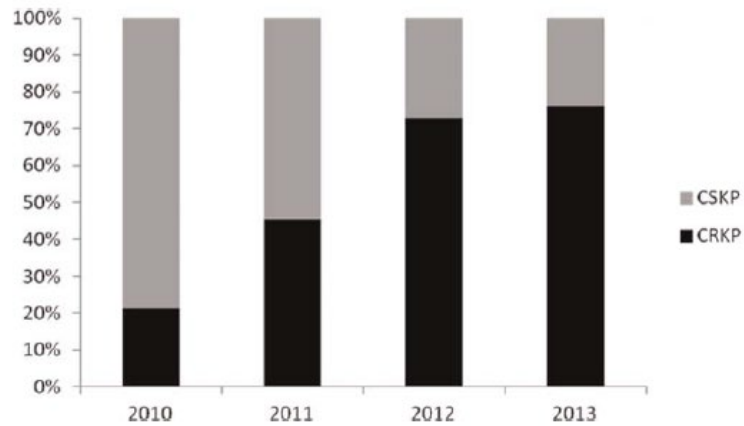


**Table 2. Multivariate analysis of risk factors for 3<sup>rd</sup> generation cephalosporins in patients with hematological malignancies and BSI caused by *Escherichia coli*.**

Variables	OR	(95% IC)	P values
Recent endoscopic procedures	3.68	(1.23–11.04)	0.02
MDR bacteria culture-positive surveillance rectal swabs	2.81	(1.59–4.95)	<0.001
Antibiotic prophylaxis with fluoroquinolones	1.95	(1.16–3.28)	0.01
PMN < 500/mm <sup>3</sup> for at least 10 days	1.82	(1.08–3.06)	0.02

# Bloodstream infections caused by *Klebsiella pneumoniae* in onco-hematological patients: clinical impact of carbapenem resistance in a multicentre prospective survey

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Prospective cohort study on KP BSI in 13 Italian hematological units.

161/278 (57.9%) of KP BSI were CR.

Mortality was significantly higher for patients with CRKP BSI (84/161, 52.2%) than for those with BSI caused by CSKP (17/117, 14.5%;  $P < 0.001$ )

Variables	HR	(95% IC)	P values
<b>MODEL (A)</b>			
Septic shock	3.86	(2.47–6.02)	<0.001
Acute respiratory failure	2.32	(1.45–3.70)	<0.001
Initial inadequate antimicrobial therapy	1.87	(1.08–2.22)	0.02
Carbapenem-resistance by KP isolate	1.85	(1.01–3.42)	0.04
<b>MODEL (B)</b>			
Septic shock	2.64	(1.57–4.45)	<0.001
Acute respiratory failure	2.83	(1.63–4.92)	<0.001
Combination therapy	0.32	(0.19–0.54)	<0.001



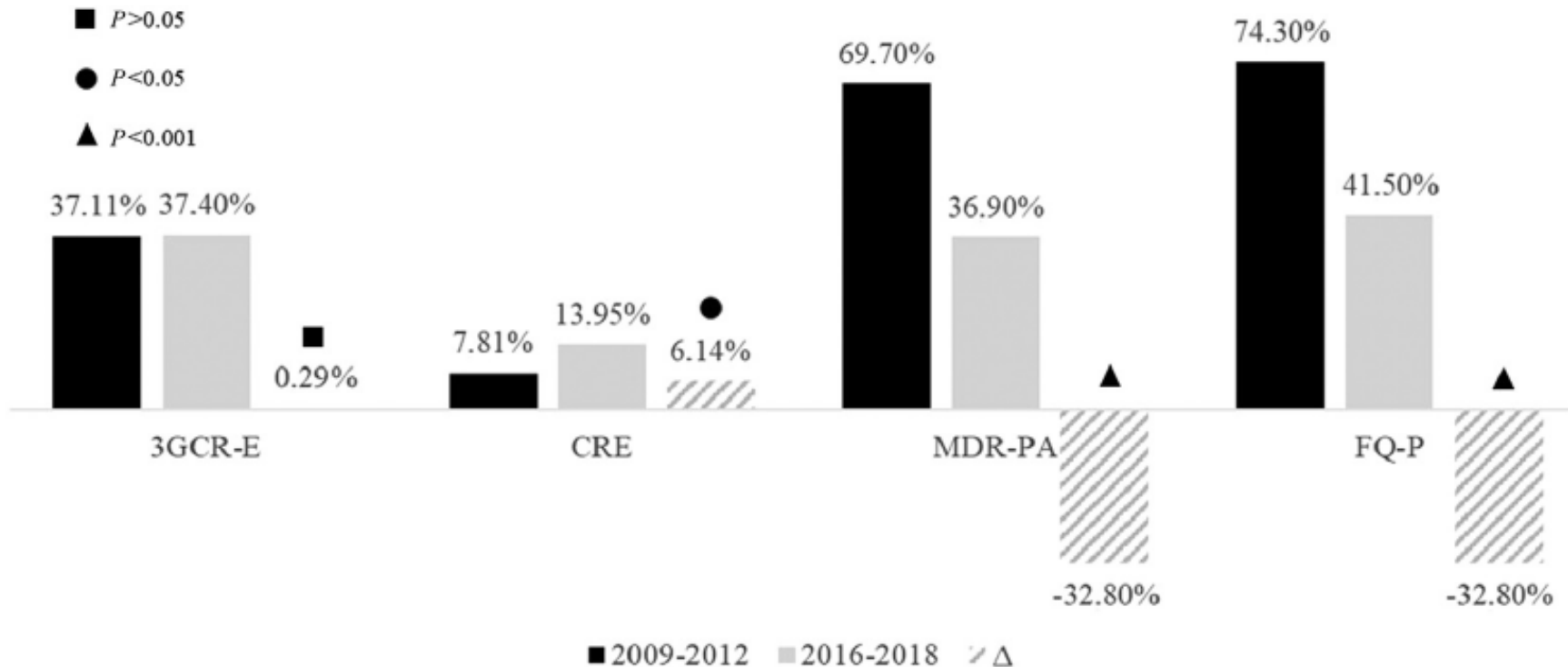
Bloodstream infections due to Gram-negative bacteria in patients with hematologic malignancies: updated epidemiology and risk factors for multidrug-resistant strains in an Italian perspective survey

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811 BSI episodes.

There was a shift to a reduced use of fluoroquinolone prophylaxis and increased rates of susceptibility to fluoroquinolones in almost all isolates and to almost all antibiotics tested among *P. aeruginosa* isolates, compared to our previous survey.

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**Figure 1.** Correlation between percentages of third-generation cephalosporin-resistant Enterobacterales (3GCR-E), carbapenem-resistant Enterobacterales (CRE), MDR *P. aeruginosa* (MDR-PA) isolates and fluoroquinolone prophylaxis (FQ-P) during 2009-2012 [9] and 2016-2018 and their percentage differences ( $\Delta$ ).

# Treatment Options for Carbapenem-resistant Gram-negative Bacterial Infections

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**Table 1. Activity and Indications of New Agents Against Carbapenem-resistant Gram-negative Pathogens**

Agent	Activity						Indications (Including Expected)	Pathogen- directed Trial (Including Expected)
	Enterobacteriaceae			<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	<i>A. baumannii</i>	<i>S. maltophilia</i>		
	Class A Carbapenemase (eg, KPC)	Class B Carbapenemase (eg, NDM)	Class D Carbapenemase (eg, OXA-48)					
Ceftazidime-avibactam	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	cUTI/AP, cIAI, HABP/VABP	No
Ceftolozane-tazobactam	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	cUTI/AP, cIAI, NP	No
Meropenem-vaborbactam	Yes	No	No	No <sup>a</sup>	No	No	cUTI/AP	Yes
Imipenem-cilastatin-relebactam	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	cUTI/AP, cIAI, HABP/VABP	Yes
Cefiderocol	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	cUTI/AP, HABP/VABP	Yes
Plazomicin	Yes	Variable <sup>b</sup>	Yes	Variable	No	No	cUTI/AP	Yes
Eravacycline	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	cIAI	No
Fosfomycin	Yes	Yes	Yes	Variable	No	No	cUTI/AP	No



## Characteristics and Outcomes of Complicated Intra-abdominal Infections Involving *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* from a Randomized, Double-Blind, Phase 3 Ceftolozane-Tazobactam Study

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- **Clinical cure in the microbiologically evaluable population was 100% for ceftolozane/tazobactam plus metronidazole and 93.1% for meropenem.**
- **These findings support the use of ceftolozane/tazobactam in the management of cIAI when *Psa* is suspected or confirmed.**

Ceftolozane-tazobactam compared with levofloxacin in the treatment of complicated urinary-tract infections, including pyelonephritis: a randomised, double-blind, phase 3 trial (ASPECT-cUTI)



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Lancet 2015; 385: 1949-56

**levofloxacin in patients with complicated lower-urinary-tract infections or pyelonephritis.**

# Ceftolozane–tazobactam versus meropenem for treatment of nosocomial pneumonia (ASPECT-NP): a randomised, controlled, double-blind, phase 3, non-inferiority trial



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- Patients received either **3 g** ceftolozane–tazobactam or 1 g meropenem as 1-h intravenous infusions every 8 h for 8–14 days.

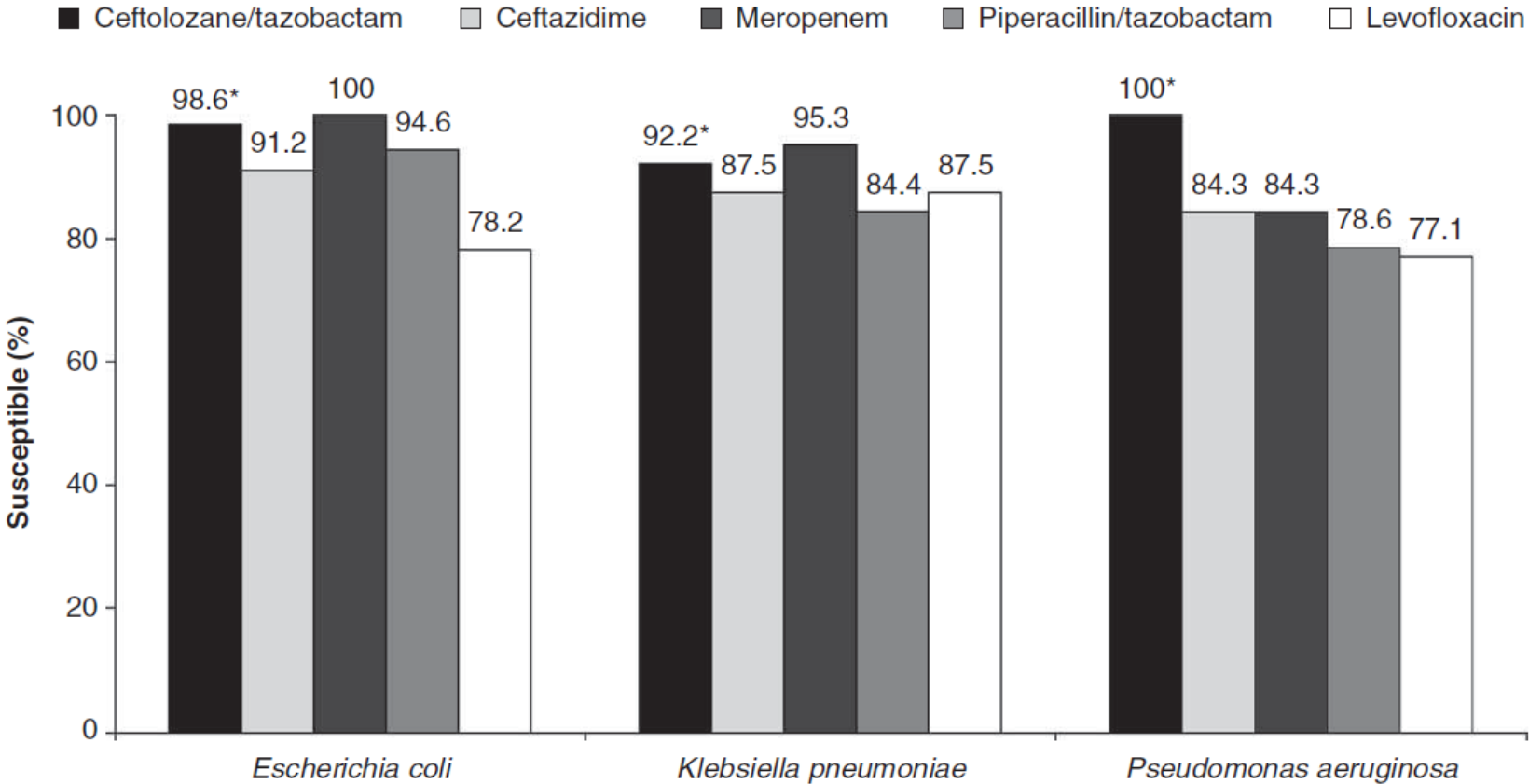
	Ceftolozane–tazobactam group	Meropenem group	% difference (95% CI)*
Gram-negative pathogens	157/259 (60.6%)	137/240 (57.1%)	3.5 (-5.1 to 12.1)
Enterobacteriaceae	120/195 (61.5%)	105/185 (56.8%)	4.8 (-5.1 to 14.5)
ESBL-producing Enterobacteriaceae	48/84 (57.1%)	45/73 (61.6%)	-4.5 (-19.3 to 10.7)
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	36/63 (57.1%)	39/65 (60.0%)	-2.9 (-19.4 to 13.8)
Multidrug-resistant <i>P aeruginosa</i>	13/24 (54.2%)	6/11 (54.5%)	-0.4 (-31.2 to 31.7)
Extensively drug-resistant <i>P aeruginosa</i>	4/10 (40.0%)	2/5 (40.0%)	0.0 (-43.6 to 40.3)

Data are n/N (%). \*Unstratified Newcombe CIs; inferences drawn from these intervals might therefore not be reproducible.

Table 3: Per-pathogen clinical cure at test-of-cure visit in the microbiological intention-to-treat population

- High-dose ceftolozane–tazobactam is an efficacious and well tolerated treatment for Gram-negative nosocomial pneumonia in mechanically ventilated patients, a high-risk, critically ill population.

# In vitro activity of ceftolozane/tazobactam versus comparator agents in Gram-negative isolates causing cIAI



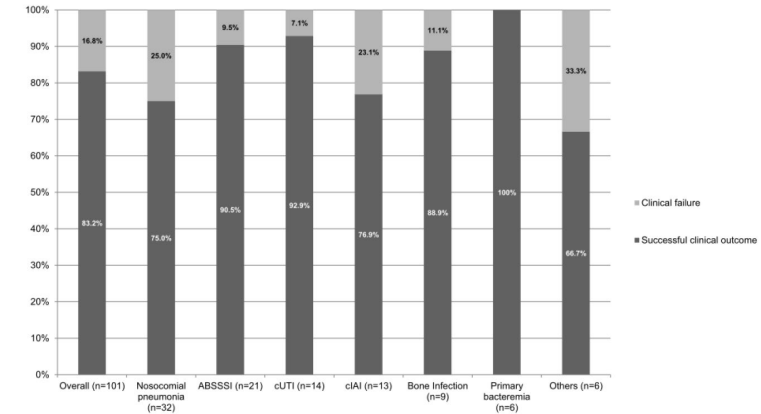


### Ceftolozane/tazobactam for the treatment of serious *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* infections: a multicentre nationwide clinical experience

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101 patients with diverse infections caused by *P. aeruginosa*



- Almost half of *P.aeruginosa* strains were XDR (51%), with 78% of the isolates resistant to at least one carbapenem.
- Concomitant antibiotics was reported in 35% of patients.
- The overall clinical success was **83.2%**.
- **No differences** in the clinical success rate with respect to the type of C/T treatment: **monotherapy versus combination therapy** or primary versus second or later line therapy.

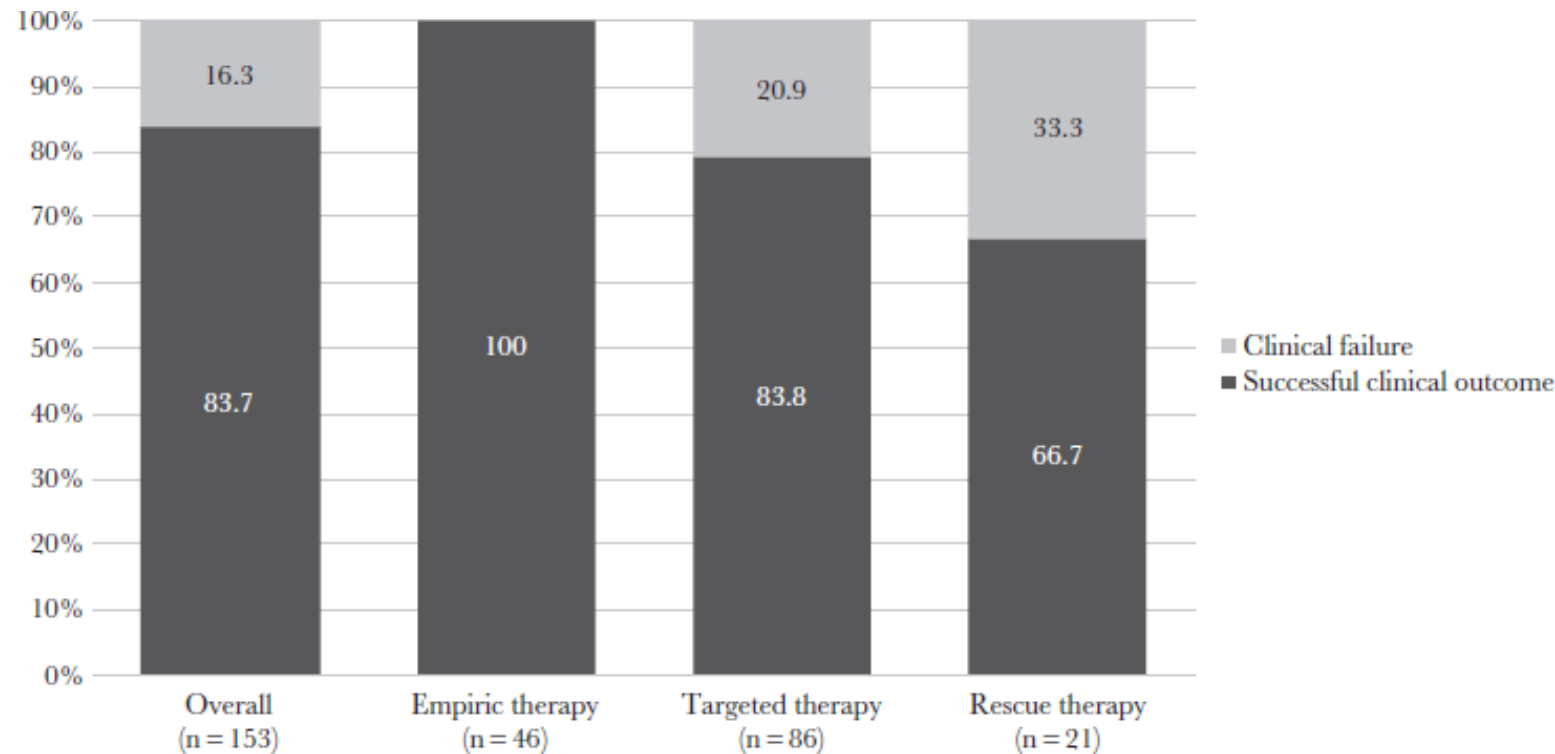
**Table 5. Multivariate Analysis of Risk Factors for Clinical Failure of C/T Therapy Among Patients With Enterobacterales Infection**

## Ceftolozane/Tazobactam for Treatment of Severe ESBL-Producing *Enterobacterales* Infections: A Multicenter Nationwide Clinical Experience (CEFTABUSE II Study)

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Variable	OR	95% CI	PValue
Charlson comorbidity index >4	2.3	1.9–3.5	.02
Septic shock	6.2	3.8–7.9	<.001
Empiric therapy displaying in vitro activity	0.12	0.01–0.34	<.001
CRRT	3.1	1.9–5.3	.001
Adequate source control of the infection	0.42	0.14–0.55	<.001

- 153 patients; the most common diagnosis was pneumonia (n=46, 30%), followed by complicated urinary tract infections (n=34, 22%)

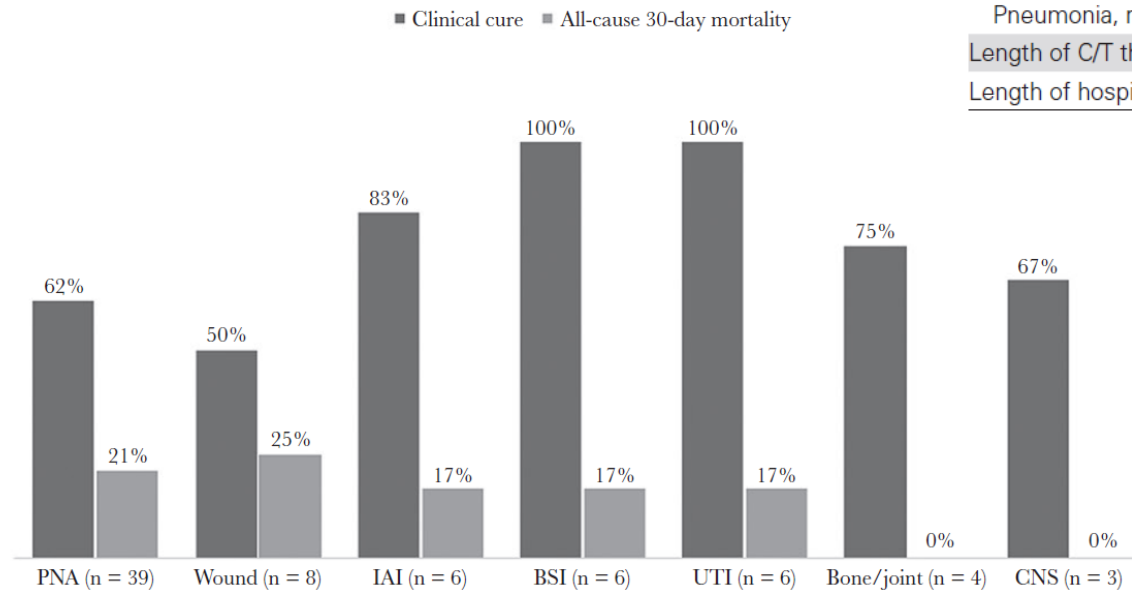


CI, confidence interval; CRRT, continuous renal replacement therapy; OR, odds ratio.

# A Multicenter Evaluation of Ceftolozane/Tazobactam Treatment Outcomes in Immunocompromised Patients With Multidrug-Resistant *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* Infections

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69 immunocompromised patients treated with C/T for MDR *P. aeruginosa*, clinical cure was achieved in 68% and mortality was 19%,



**Figure 1.** Clinical outcomes by source of infection. Abbreviations: BSI, primary bloodstream infection; CNS, central nervous system; IAI, intra-abdominal infection; PNA, pneumonia; UTI, urinary tract infection.

**Table 2. Clinical Outcomes**

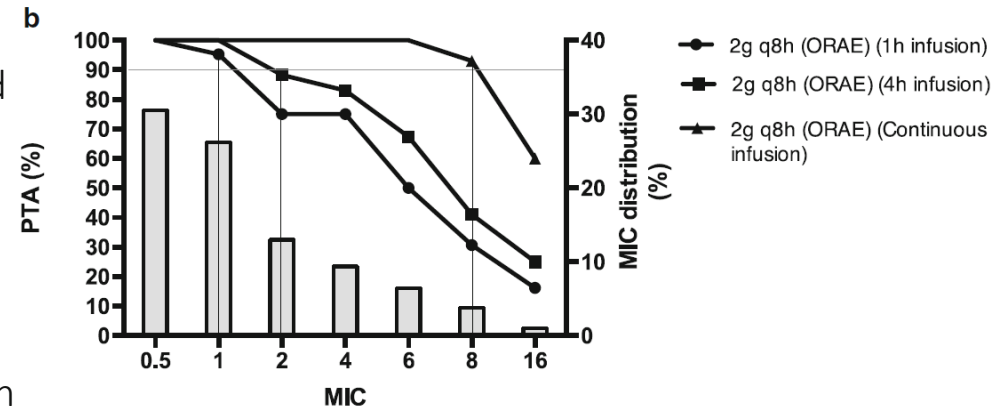
Outcome	No. (%)
Clinical cure, all infection sources (n = 69)	47 (68)
Pneumonia, receiving pneumonia dosing (n = 28)	21 (75)
Pneumonia, receiving nonpneumonia dosing (n = 10)	3 (30)
30-d all-cause mortality, all infection sources (n = 69)	13 (19)
Pneumonia, receiving pneumonia dosing (n = 28)	5 (18)
Pneumonia, receiving nonpneumonia dosing (n = 10)	3 (30)
Length of C/T therapy, mean ± SD, d	13 ± 11
Length of hospital stay, median (IQR), d	38 (54)

## Continuous infusion of ceftolozane/tazobactam is associated with a higher probability of target attainment in patients infected with *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*

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- 72 patients were enrolled, 79% were hospitalized in ICU, 51.4% were immunosuppressed
- The major site of infection was the respiratory tract (66.7%).
- In-hospital mortality rate was 15.2%.
- The PK/PD objectives (100%  $fT > 4$  MIC) were achieved for all patients infected with strains with CTZ/TZ MICs < 4 mg/L, regardless of the mode of administration.
- In contrast, intermittent bolus administration and prolonged infusion did not achieve the PK/PD objectives when the CTZ/TZ MICs were  $\geq 4$  mg/L.
- However, the PK/PD objectives (100%  $fT > 4$  MIC) were achieved for strains with MICs up to 8 mg/L in patients receiving continuous infusion of CTZ/TZ.

Prospective multicenter cohort study to compare prolonged or continuous infusion versus intermittent administration of CTZ/TZ for the treatment of MDR *P. aeruginosa* infections



A dosing regimen of 2 g/1 g CTZ/TZ administered every 8 h as a 1-h intravenous infusion, as currently recommended, did not provide adequate coverage to achieve a sufficient probability of target attainment for *P. aeruginosa* strains with MICs  $\geq 4$  mg/L.

# Modifiable Risk Factors for the Emergence of Ceftolozane-tazobactam Resistance

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**Table 2.** Comparison of 28 Patients with MDR *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* Treated with at Least 72 Hours of Ceftolozane-tazobactam (TOL-TAZ) with at Least a 4-Fold Increase in TOL-TAZ MICs on Subsequent *P. aeruginosa* Isolates Compared to Patients Who Did Not Have at Least a 4-Fold Increase in TOL-TAZ MICs on Subsequent *P. aeruginosa* Isolates

Variable	Increase in TOL-TAZ MIC (mcg/mL) (n = 14, 50%)	No Increase in TOL-TAZ MIC (mcg/mL) (n = 14, 50%)	P-value
<b>Demographics</b>			
Age in years (median, IQR)	56 (40–65)	56 (48–60)	.95
Female	5 (36%)	3 (21%)	.40
Weight in kilograms (median, IQR)	62 (56–79)	63 (56–76)	.87
Renal replacement therapy	4 (29%)	1 (7%)	.14
<b>Underlying medical condition</b>			
Cystic fibrosis	2 (14%)	1 (7%)	.54
Chronic ventilator dependence	3 (21%)	4 (29%)	.66
Burn	1 (7%)	1 (7%)	.99
Active immunosuppressive therapy	8 (57%)	5 (36%)	.26
Complex cardiovascular disease with foreign material <sup>9</sup>	3 (21%)	1 (7%)	.28
<b>Site of infection</b>			
Pneumonia	9 (64%)	10 (71%)	.69
Bacteremia	4 (29%)	1 (7%)	.14
Intra-abdominal infection	1 (7%)	3 (21%)	.28
<b>Treatment data</b>			
3 grams IV every 8 hours of TOL-TAZ	12 (86%)	14 (100%)	.14
1.5 grams IV every 8 hours of TOL-TAZ	2 (14%)	0	.14
1-hour TOL-TAZ infusion	14 (100%)	10 (71%)	.04
3-hour TOL-TAZ infusion	0	4 (29%)	.04
Duration of TOL-TAZ therapy	15 (8–22)	8.5 (6–14)	.32
Combination therapy for > 48 hours	6 (43%)	4 (29%)	.43
No source control <sup>9</sup>	4 (29%)	0	.04

Our results forewarn of the potential emergence of TOL-TAZ resistance during therapy and suggest extending TOL-TAZ infusions may be protective





## Real-Life Use of Ceftolozane/Tazobactam for the Treatment of Bloodstream Infection Due to *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* in Neutropenic Hematologic Patients: a Matched Control Study (ZENITH Study)

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- **Objective:** to assess the characteristics and outcomes of neutropenic hematologic patients with *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* bloodstream infection (BSI) treated with ceftolozane/tazobactam (C/T)
- **Study Design:** multicenter, international, case-control study of episodes of *P. aeruginosa* BSI in neutropenic hematologic patients who received C/T as empirical and/or definitive treatment from 2016-2020
  - Controls were patients with *P. aeruginosa* BSI treated with other antibiotics, matched according to closest BSI date, underlying disease, polymicrobial etiology, and antibiotic susceptibility profile
- **Primary Outcome:** overall 30-day mortality

## Results

### *Baseline Characteristics*

#### Patient Characteristics

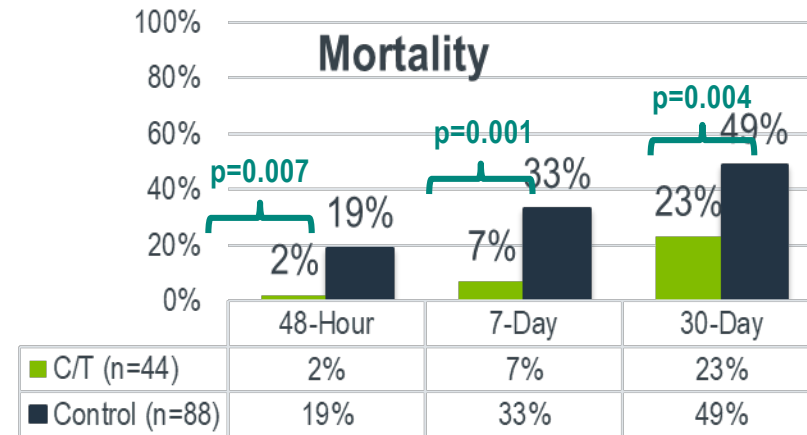
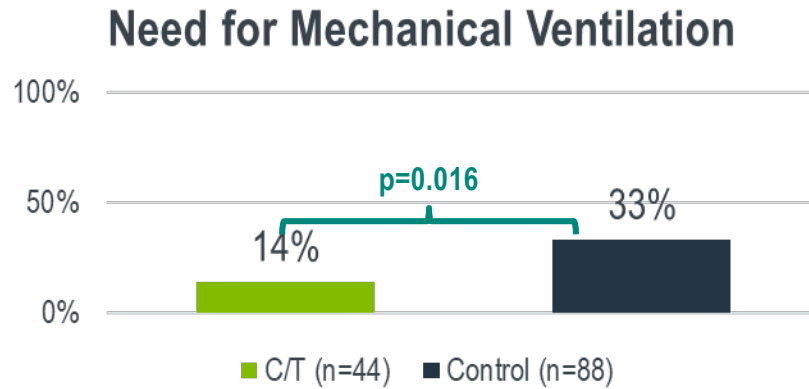
- No significant differences between groups: Cases (n=44) vs. Controls (n=88)
- **Most common underlying disease:** acute myeloid leukemia (AML), 49%
- **37%** of patients were **allogeneic** hematopoietic stem cell transplant recipients
- **64%** of patients had **profound neutropenia** (defined as  $<0.1 \times 10^9/L$ , equivalent to ANC  $<100/\mu l$ )

#### Infection Characteristics

- **91%** of all episodes caused by **multidrug-resistant (MDR)** strains
- **Origin of infection:** endogenous (32%), pneumonia (26%)
- **32%** of patients presented with **septic shock**

# Results

## Primary Endpoint



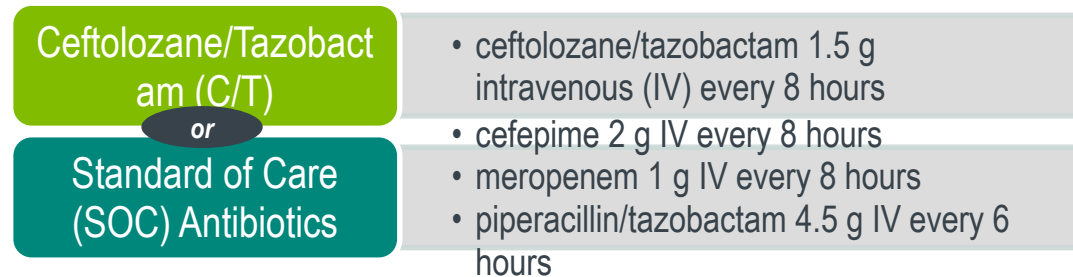
### Results:

- **Lower mortality found among patients treated with C/T (aOR 0.19; IC95% 0.07-0.55; p=0.002)**
- Numerically fewer cases developed nephrotoxicity (18% vs. 33%; p=0.082)
- Independent risk factors for 30-day mortality:
  - Pneumonia
  - Profound neutropenia
  - Persistent BSI

# A Prospective Randomized Study Comparing Ceftolozane/Tazobactam to Standard of Care in the Management of Neutropenia and Fever in Patients with Hematological Malignancies

Chaftari A, et al. *Open Forum Infect Dis*. 14 February 2022; ofac079, <https://doi.org/10.1093/ofid/ofac079>.

- **Study Design:** This is a single-center, prospective, randomized, open-label comparative study conducted from May 2018 to October 2020 in 100 patients randomized to receive either:



- Eligible patients were age  $\geq 18$  years, had hematologic malignancies (HM), presented to the emergency center with febrile neutropenia, and required hospitalization for intravenous (IV) empiric antibiotic therapy

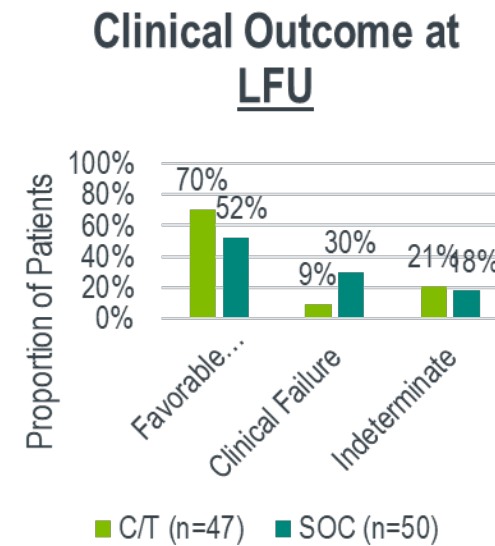
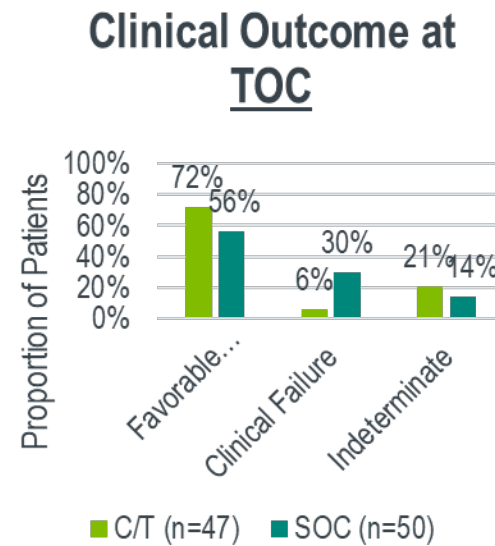
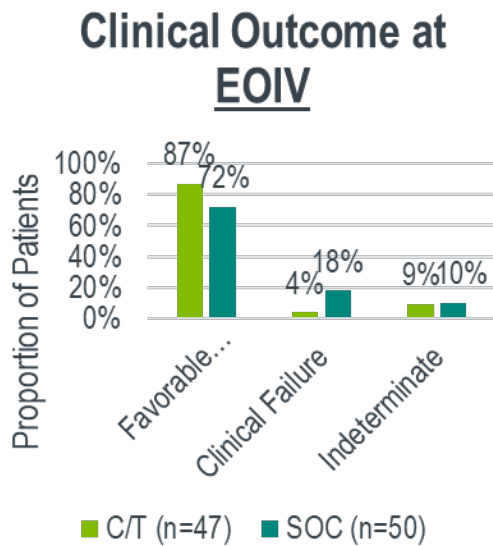
## Results

### *Treatment Characteristics*

- Most commonly used antibiotics in the SOC group:
  - Cefepime: 76% (n=38/50)
  - Piperacillin/tazobactam: 20% (n=10/50)
  - Meropenem: 4% (n=2/50)
  
- In both groups, >90% of the patients received Gram-positive coverage
  - Linezolid was the most commonly used agent
  
- De-escalation at end of IV study drug occurred similarly in both groups:
  - 94% in C/T and 84% in SOC; p=0.14
  
- Patients on C/T were more likely to de-escalate to IV study drug compared to SOC
  - 55% vs. 21%

# Results

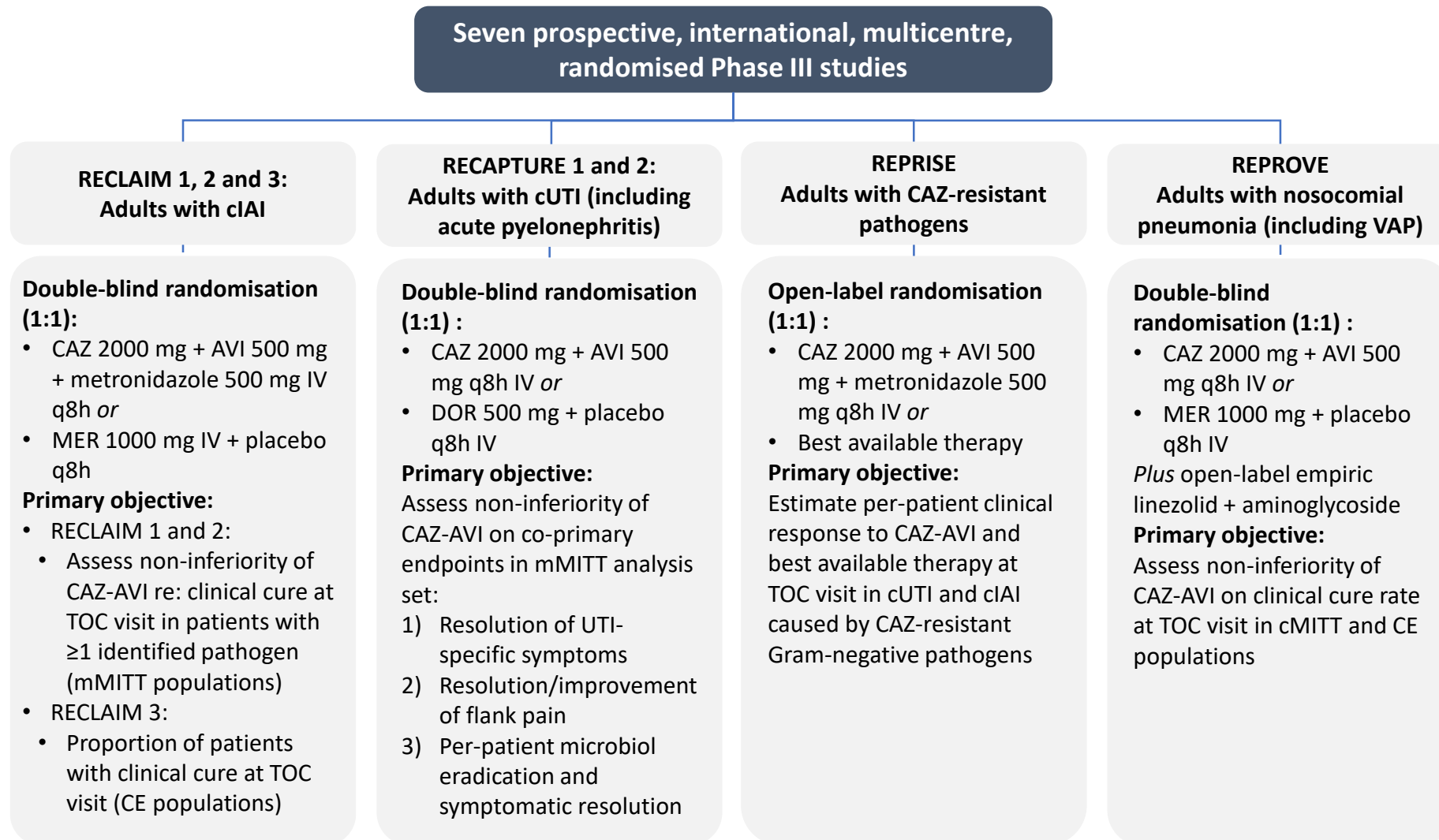
## Clinical Outcomes



- **Other Clinical Outcomes:**
  - Infection-related mortality: 0 in both groups
  - 30-day all-cause mortality: 2 (4%) in both groups

EOIV, end of IV therapy; TOC, test of cure; LFU, late follow-up.

# Ceftazidime-avibactam Phase III clinical trial programme

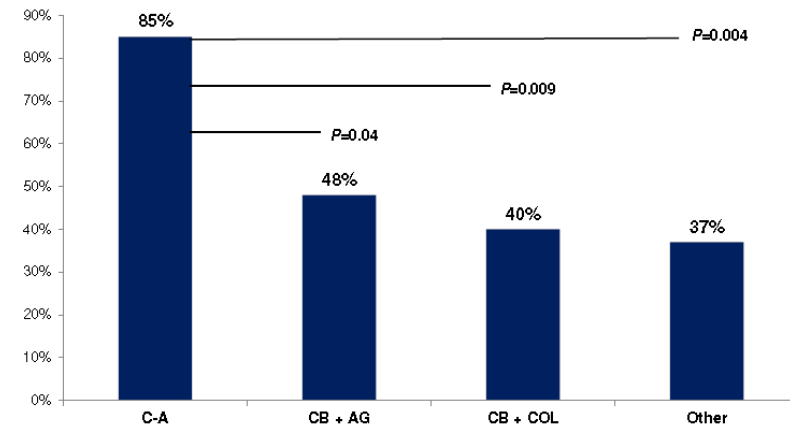


# Ceftazidime-Avibactam Is Superior to Other Treatment Regimens against Carbapenem-Resistant *Klebsiella pneumoniae* Bacteremia

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Figure 1. Rates of 30 day clinical success across treatment regimens



Thirty-day mortality rates was 28% (31/109).

Treatment regimens included C-A (n=13), CB+AG (n=25), CB+COL (n=30), and others (n=41); the corresponding clinical success rates by regimen were 85% (11/13), 48% (12/25), 40% (12/30), and 37% (15/41), respectively.

C-A was administered as monotherapy (n=8) or in combination with gentamicin (n=5); corresponding success rates were 75% (6/8) and 100% (5/5), respectively.

- **Ceftazidime-avibactam treatment of carbapenem-resistant *K. pneumoniae* bacteremia was associated with higher rates of clinical success ( $P=0.006$ ) and survival ( $P=0.01$ ) than other regimens.**
- **Aminoglycoside- and colistin-containing regimens were associated with increased rates of nephrotoxicity ( $P=0.002$ ).**

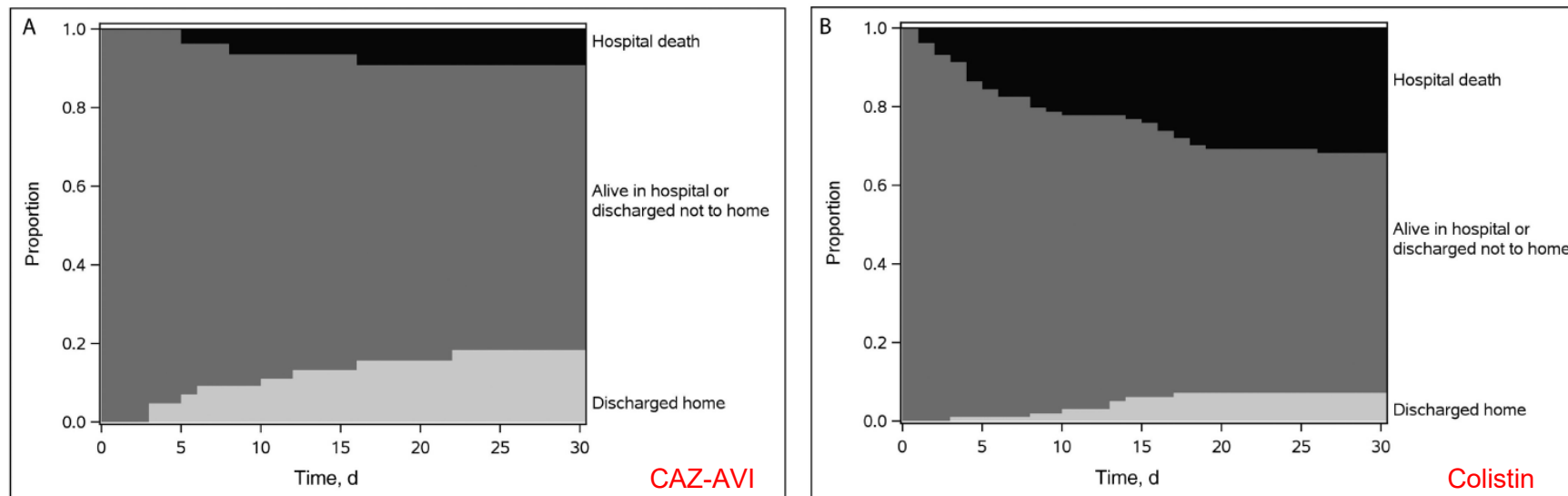




## Colistin Versus Ceftazidime-Avibactam in the Treatment of Infections Due to Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae

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Thirty-eight patients were treated first with CAZ-AVI and 99 with colistin. Most patients received additional anti-CRE agents as part of their treatment. BSI (n = 63; 46%) and respiratory (n = 30; 22%) infections were most common. **In patients treated with CAZ-AVI versus colistin, hospital mortality 30 days after starting treatment was 9% versus 32%, respectively ( $P = .001$ ).**

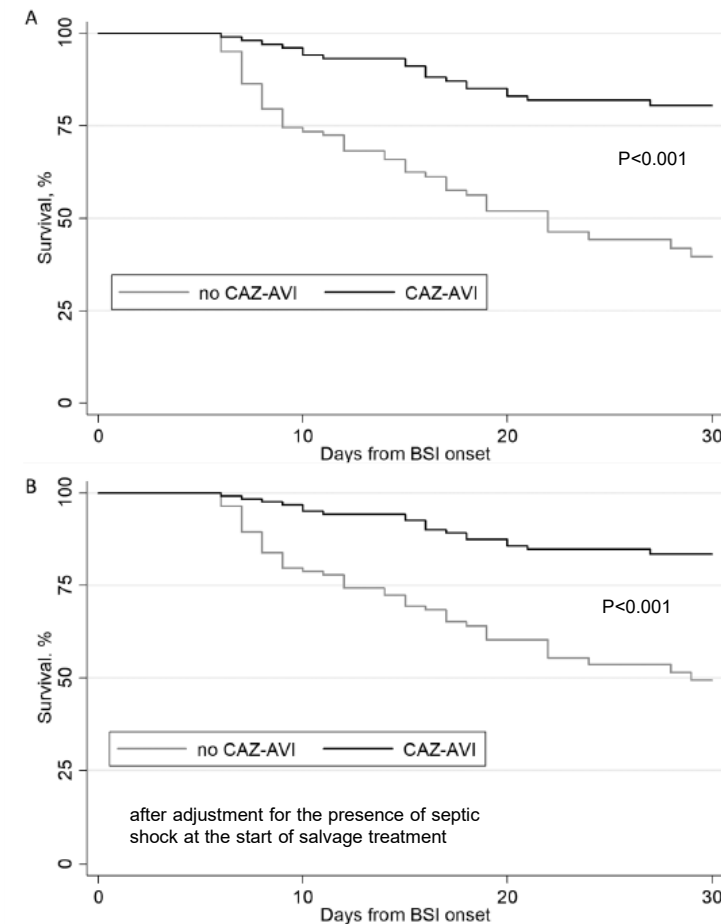


**Figure 1.** Inverse probability of treatment weighting (IPTW)-adjusted efficacy: disposition over time (n = 137; IPTW-adjusted probability estimates of hospital mortality and discharge status). *A*, Ceftazidime-avibactam group (n = 38). *B*, Colistin group (n = 99).

## Efficacy of Ceftazidime-Avibactam Salvage Therapy in Patients With Infections Caused by *Klebsiella pneumoniae* Carbapenemase-producing *K. pneumoniae*

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- 138 patients treated with CAZ-AVI salvage therapy after a first-line treatment with other antimicrobials.
- CAZ-AVI was administered with at least 1 other active antibiotic in 78.9% cases.
- Thirty days after infection onset **34.1% of the 138 patients had died.**
- Thirty-day mortality among the 104 patients with bacteremic KPC-Kp infections was significantly lower than that of a matched cohort whose KPC-Kp **bacteremia** had been treated with drugs other than CAZ-AVI (**36.5%** vs 55.8%,  $P = .005$ ).



**Table 4. Multivariate Analysis of Factors Associated With 30-Day Mortality in the 208 Patients With *Klebsiella pneumoniae* Carbapenemase-producing *K. pneumoniae* Bacteremia**

Variable	Without Propensity Score Adjustment		Adjusted for the Propensity Score for Therapy With CAZ-AVI	
	P Value	OR (95% CI)	P Value	OR (95% CI)
Mechanical ventilation	<.001	4.25 (1.99–9.09)	<.001	4.31 (1.99–9.33)
Charlson comorbidity index ≥3	.001	3.31 (1.61–6.77)	.001	3.30 (1.61–6.77)
Neutropenia	.01	3.22 (1.25–8.29)	.03	3.36 (1.25–8.75)
Septic shock	.002	2.95 (1.46–5.94)	.003	2.94 (1.46–5.92)
Any regimen that included CAZ-AVI	<.001	0.25 (.13–.51)	.001	0.27 (.13–.57)

Effectiveness of ceftazidime/avibactam as salvage therapy for  
treatment of infections due to OXA-48 carbapenemase-producing  
Enterobacteriaceae

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- 57 patients were treated with CAZ–AVI. The median age was 64 years, 77% were male and the median Charlson index was 3
- The most frequent sources of infection were intra-abdominal (28%), followed by respiratory (26%) and urinary (25%). 31 (54%) patients had a severe infection (defined as presence of sepsis or septic shock)
- Most patients received CAZ–AVI as monotherapy (81%) and the median duration of treatment was 13 days
- Mortality at 14 days was 14%
- There was no association between mortality and monotherapy with CAZ–AVI
- The recurrence rate at 90 days was 10%
- CAZ–AVI resistance was not detected

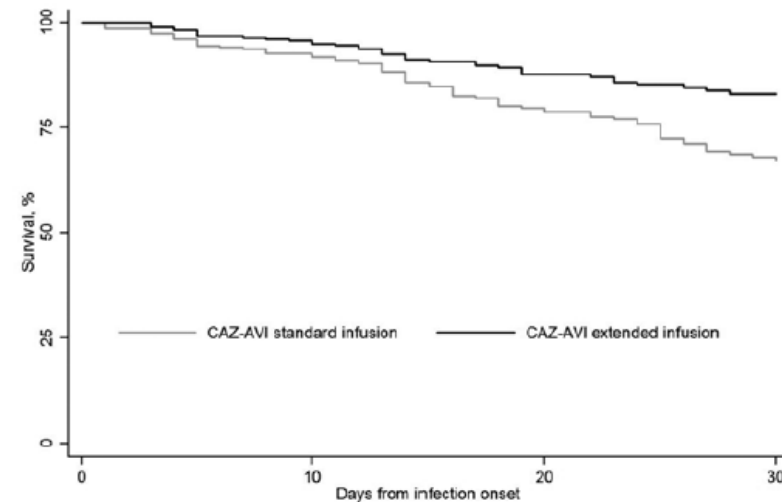
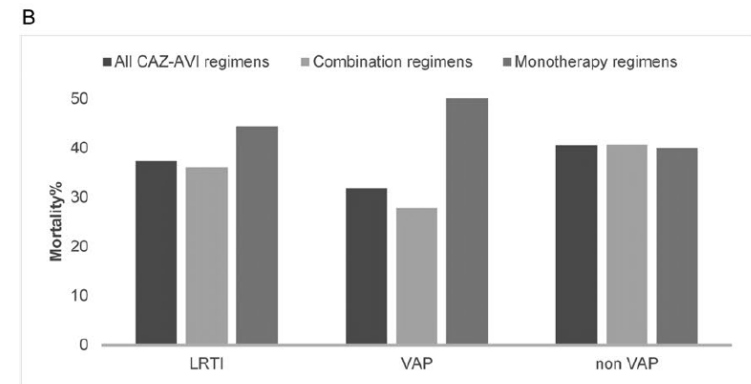
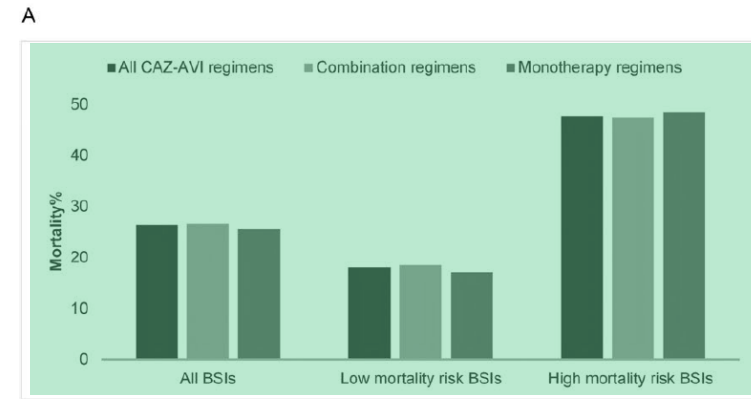
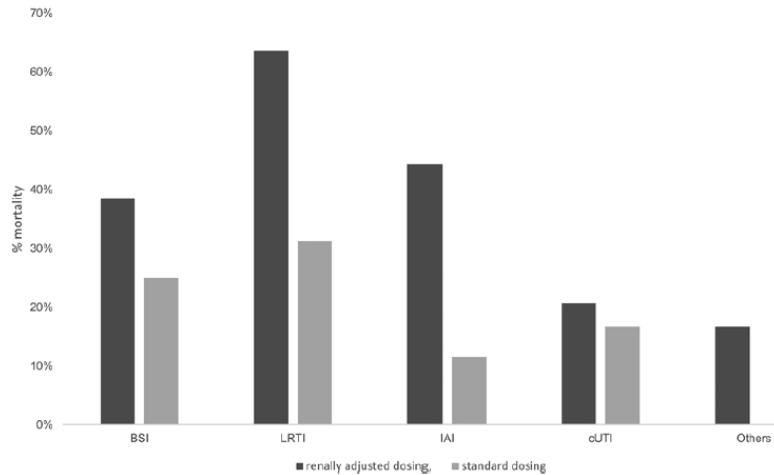
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- Ceftazidime-avibactam was used to treat 77 patients with CRE infections.
- 33 (43%) infections were pneumonia (26, 79% VAP), 20 (26%) were bacteremia, 8 (10%) UTI, 7 (9%) intra-abdominal infections, 6 (8%) skin/soft tissue infection, and 3 other infections.
- Thirty-day survival rate was 81%.
- **Success rates were lowest for pneumonia (36%)** and higher for bacteremia (75%) and urinary tract infections (88%).
- Ceftazidime-avibactam resistance emerged in **10%** of patients

Risk factors associated with R to C-A (N=8 pts)	N/total R (%)	P value
KPC-3	8/8 (100)	0.003
Pneumoniae	7/8 (88)	0.09
Renal replacement therapy	5/8 (63)	0.006

## Ceftazidime-Avibactam Use for *Klebsiella pneumoniae* Carbapenemase-Producing *K. pneumoniae* Infections: A Retrospective Observational Multicenter Study

- 577 adults with **bloodstream infections (391)** or nonbacteremic infections involving mainly the urinary tract, lower respiratory tract, and intra-abdominal structures.
- All received treatment with CAZ-AVI alone (165) or with  $\geq 1$  other active antimicrobials (412).
- The all-cause mortality rate 30 days after infection onset was 25%



## The Use and Effectiveness of Ceftazidime–Avibactam in Real-World Clinical Practice: EZTEAM Study

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**Table 4** Ceftazidime–avibactam usage by indication

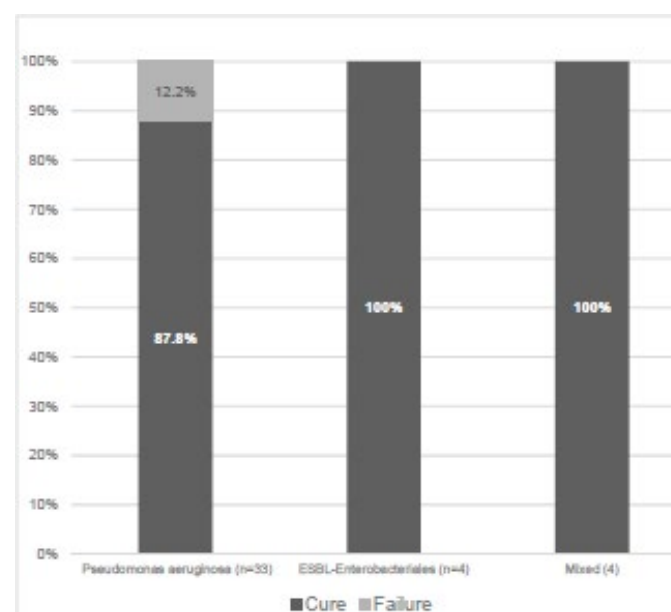
Characteristic	cIAI ( <i>n</i> = 90)	cUTI ( <i>n</i> = 103)	HAP/VAP ( <i>n</i> = 114)	Other ( <i>n</i> = 209) <sup>a</sup>	Total ( <i>n</i> = 516)
Use of ceftazidime–avibactam overall, <i>n</i> (%)					
Monotherapy	26 (28.9)	68 (66.0)	25 (21.9)	39 (18.7)	158 (30.6)
Combination therapy	64 (71.1)	35 (34.0)	89 (78.1)	170 (81.3)	358 (69.4)
Gram-negative coverage	22 (24.4)	17 (16.5)	43 (37.7)	94 (45.0)	176 (34.1)
Other coverage <sup>b</sup>	17 (18.9)	8 (7.8)	19 (16.7)	20 (9.6)	64 (12.4)
Gram-negative and other coverage	25 (27.8)	10 (9.7)	27 (23.7)	56 (26.8)	118 (22.9)
Total duration of administration of ceftazidime–avibactam (days), <i>n</i> (%)					
Mean (SD)	13.6 (12.5)	9.3 (5.7)	10.3 (6.6)	13.3 (14.3)	11.9 (11.4)

- 516 patients were treated for at least 72 h (354 patients from Europe and 162 patients from LATAM);
- Infection sources were intra-abdominal, urinary, respiratory, bloodstream infections, and other infections (approximately 20% each).
- *K. pneumoniae* was the most common microorganism identified (59.3%).
- The common MDR mechanisms for *K. pneumoniae* were KPC carbapenemase (33.9%), oxacillinase 48 (25.2%), ESBL (21.5%), or MBL (14.2%) production.
- Without prior patient exposure, 17 isolates (mostly *K. pneumoniae*) were resistant to ceftazidime–avibactam.
- Treatment success was achieved in 77.3% of patients overall.
- In-hospital mortality rate was 23.1%.
- Adverse events were reported for six of the 569 patients enrolled.

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## Clinical Experience with Ceftazidime-Avibactam for the Treatment of Infections due to Multidrug-Resistant Gram-Negative Bacteria Other than Carbapenem-Resistant *Enterobacterales*

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- The main causative agents were *P. aeruginosa* (33/41; 80.5%) and ESBL-producing *Enterobacterales* (4/41, 9.8%)
- All strains were susceptible to ceftazidime–avibactam
- Median length of therapy was 13 days
- Clinical success rates were **90.5%**
- **No association between clinical failures and type of primary infection, microbiological isolates, and monotherapy with ceftazidime–avibactam**
- Resistance to ceftazidime–avibactam was not detected in any case during the whole follow-up period
- **No adverse events** related to ceftazidime–avibactam were observed in the study population

# Resistance to ceftazidime/avibactam in infections and colonisations by KPC-producing Enterobacterales: a systematic review of observational clinical studies

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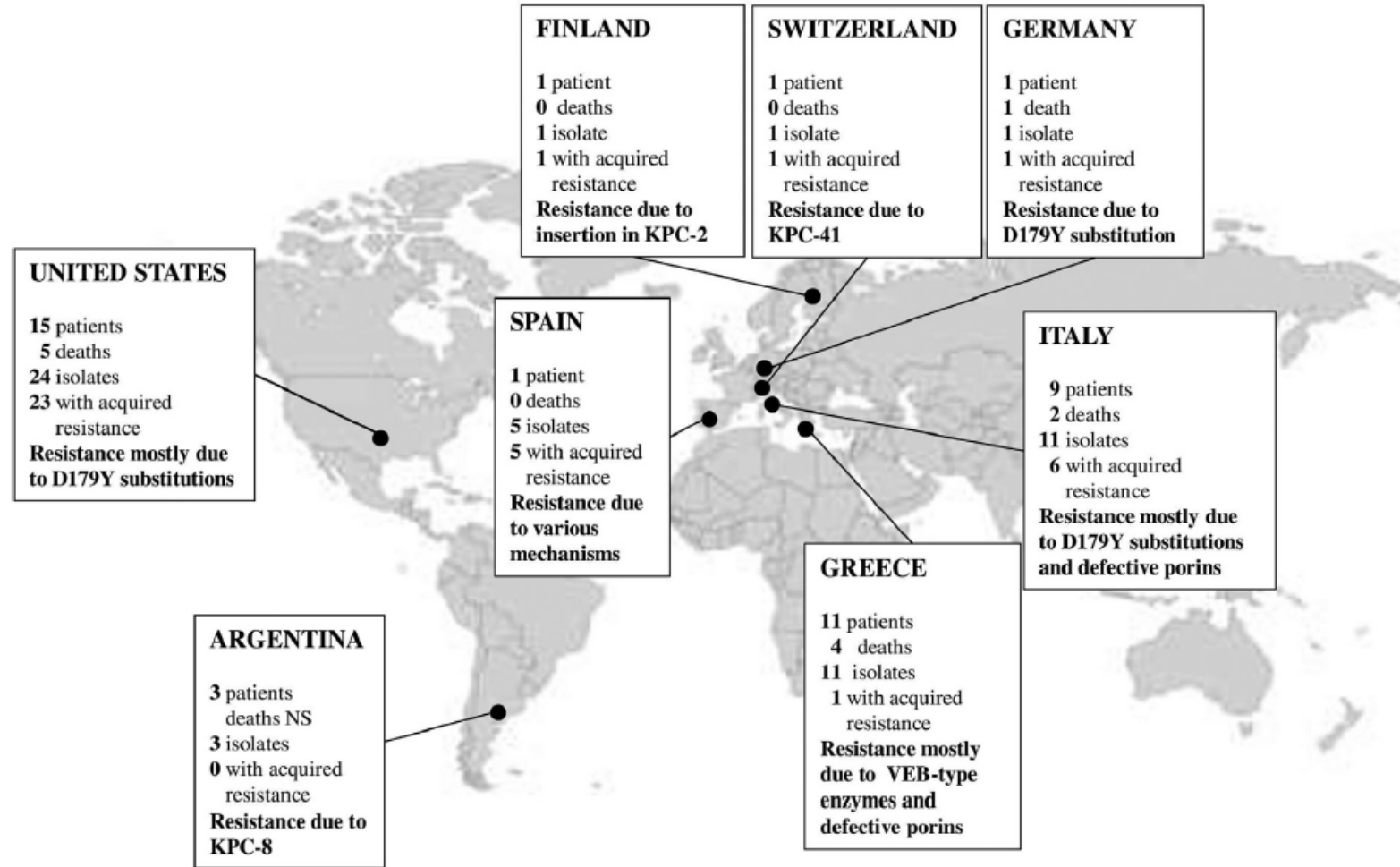


Fig. 2. Country-wise distribution of ceftazidime/avibactam-resistant cases and most relevant features.



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- A Phase 3, multinational, openlabel, randomized controlled trial (TANGO II) was conducted from 2014 to 2017 to evaluate the efficacy/safety of meropenem–vaborbactam monotherapy (2 g / 2 g administered every 8 h over 3-h intravenous infusion) versus BAT for CRE.
- Mortality was **15.6%** vs 33.3% for meropenem–vaborbactam versus BAT.
- Cure rates was **65.6%** vs 33.3%
- Renal related AE was **4%** vs 24%

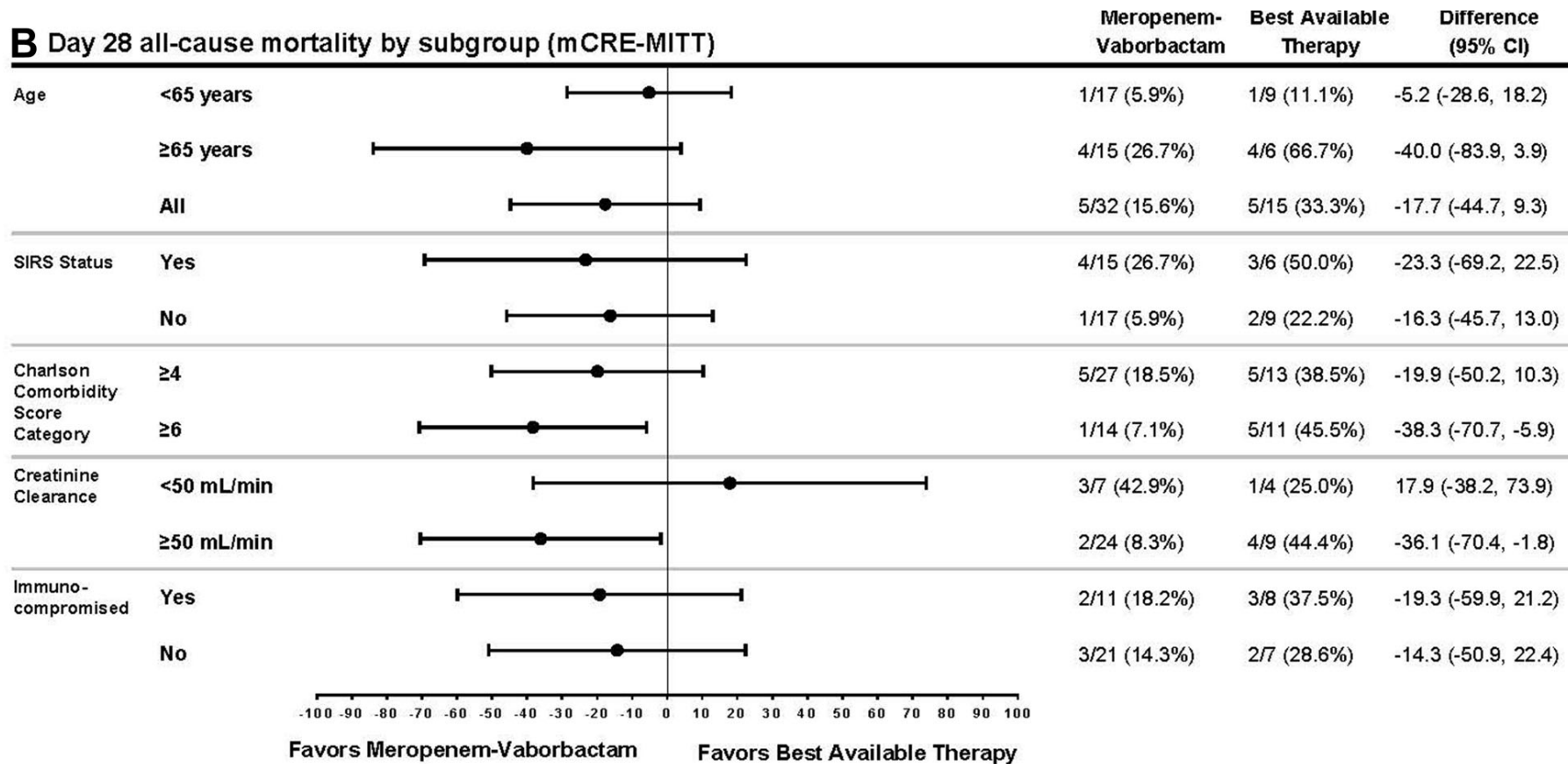
M-V (n = 32)  
 BAT (n = 15)  
 Total (N = 47)

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**B** Day 28 all-cause mortality by subgroup (mCRE-MITT)



Monotherapy with M-V for CRE infection was associated with increased clinical cure, decreased mortality, and reduced nephrotoxicity compared with BAT.

BRIEF REPORT

Early Experience With Meropenem-Vaborbactam for Treatment of Carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae Infections

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CRE infection types included **bacteremia (n=8)**, pneumonia (n=6; 83% [5/6] ventilator-associated), tracheobronchitis (n=2; 50% [1/2] ventilator-associated), skin/soft tissue (n=2), pyelonephritis (n=1), and peritonitis with intra-abdominal abscess (n=1).

Twenty patients with carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae infections were treated with meropenem-vaborbactam.

Thirty day clinical success and **survival rates** were 65% (13/20) and **90% (18/20)**, respectively.

Thirty-five percent of patients had microbiologic failures within 90 days. One patient developed a recurrent infection due to meropenem-vaborbactam–nonsusceptible, *ompK36* porin mutant *Klebsiella pneumoniae*.



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**Fourty patients** were treated with meropenem-vaborbactam (MEV) for serious Gram-negative bacterial (GNB) infections.

Carbapenem-resistant *Enterobacteriaceae* (**CRE**) comprised **80.0%** of all GNB infections.

The most common sources of infection were pneumonia (32.5%, 13/40), urinary tract (20.0%, 8/40), intra-abdominal (12.5%, 5/40), and skin and soft tissue (SST; 12.5%, 5/40). **Blood cultures were positive in 27.5% (11/40) of patients**

**Clinical success occurred in 70.0%** of patients.

**Mortality and recurrence at 30 days were 7.5% and 12.5%,** respectively.

One patient experienced a probable rash due to MEV.

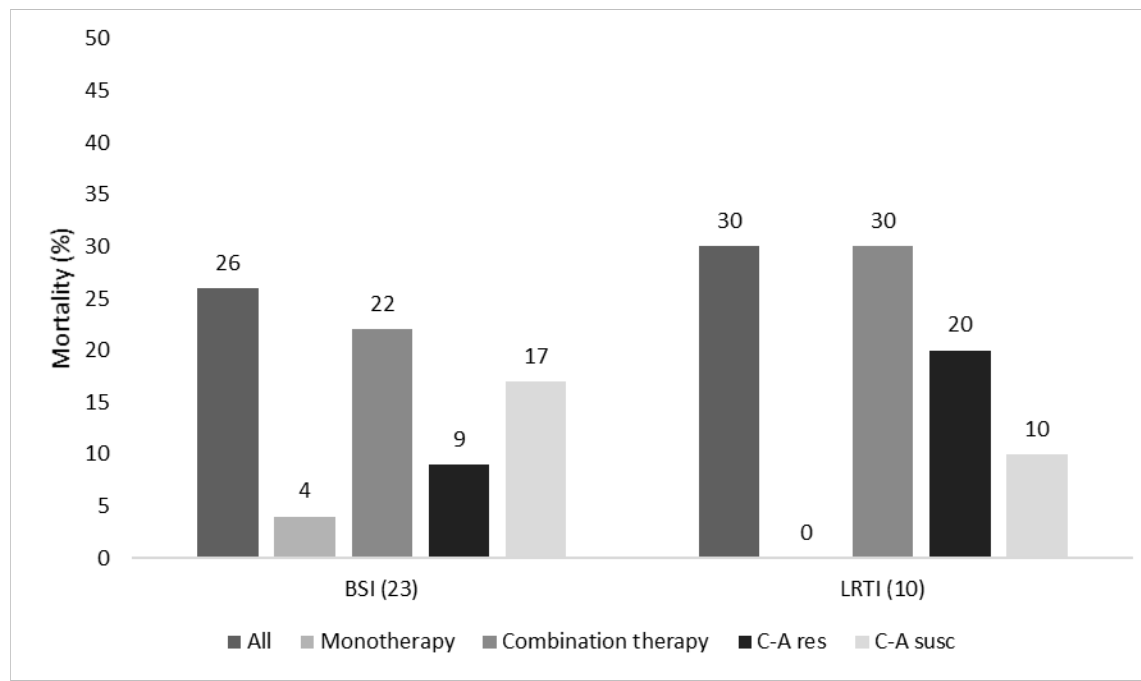
## Compassionate use of meropenem/vaborbactam for infections caused by KPC-producing *Klebsiella pneumoniae*: a multicentre study

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37 KPC-Kp infections  
BSIs,  $n=23$   
LRTIs,  $n=10$   
CZA res.  $n=22$

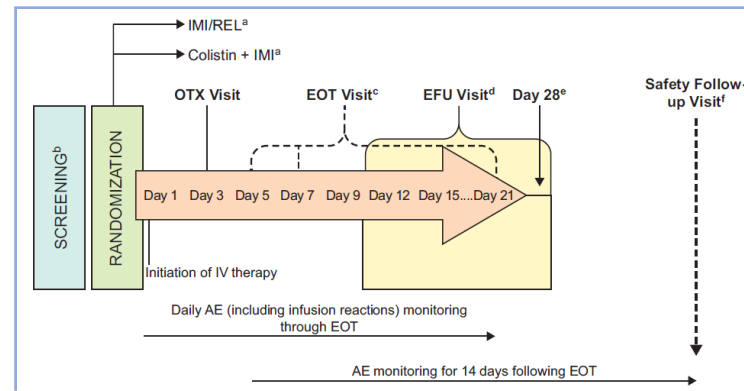
Clinical cure was achieved in 28 (75.6%) cases. Nine patients (24.3%) died in hospital with persistent signs of infection. Most were aged over 60 years, with high comorbidity burdens and INCREMENT scores  $\geq 8$ .

Outcomes were unrelated to the isolate's ceftazidime/avibactam susceptibility status.



# RESTORE-IMI 1: A Multicenter, Randomized, Double-blind Trial Comparing Efficacy and Safety of Imipenem/Relebactam vs Colistin Plus Imipenem in Patients With Imipenem-nonsusceptible Bacterial Infections

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*Pseudomonas aeruginosa* (77%), *Klebsiella* spp. (16%), other Enterobacteriaceae (6%)

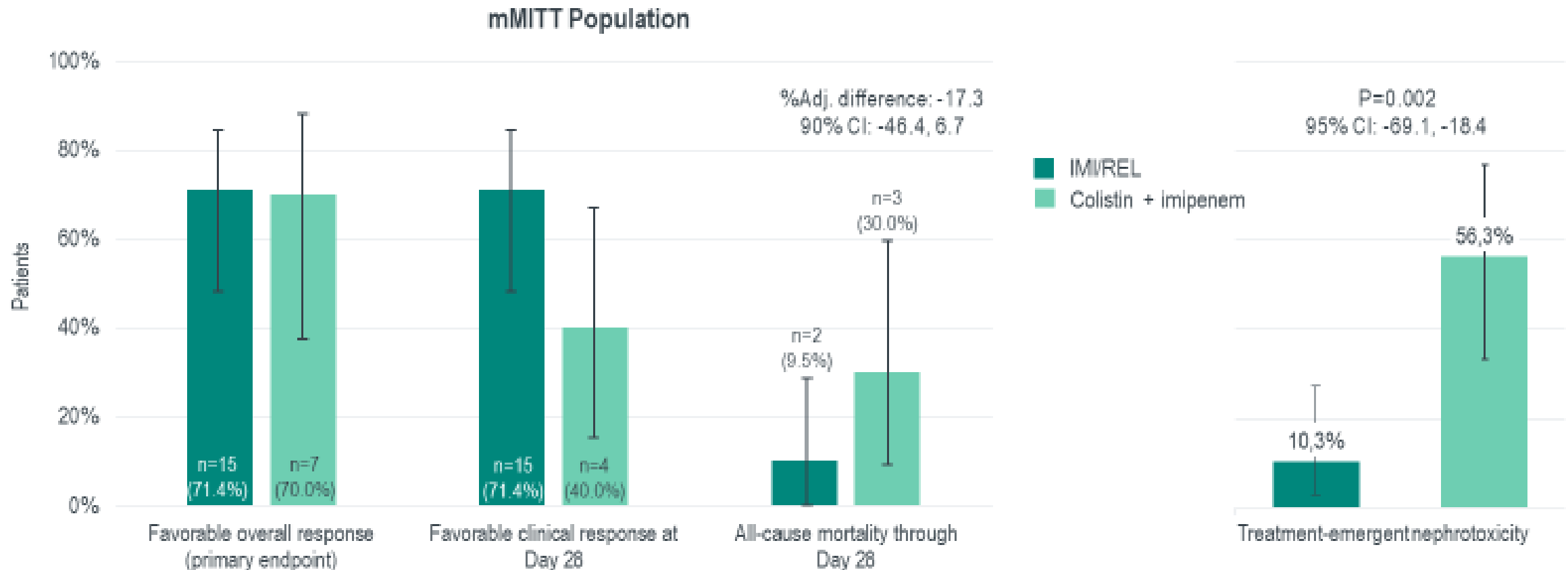
31 patients received imipenem/relebactam and 16 colistin+imipenem

Favorable overall response was observed in 71% imipenem/relebactam and 70% colistin+imipenem patients, day 28 favorable clinical response in 71% and 40%, and 28-day mortality in 10% and 30%, respectively. Serious adverse events occurred in 10% of imipenem/relebactam and 31% of colistin+imipenem patients,

**Table 2. Primary and Secondary Prospective Efficacy Endpoints (in the Modified Microbiologic Intent-to-Treat Population) and Secondary Prospective Safety Endpoints (in the Safety Population)**

Endpoint	IMI/REL (n = 21)		Colistin + IMI (n = 10)		Unadjusted Difference %	Adjusted Difference <sup>a</sup>	
	n	% (95% CI) <sup>b</sup>	n	% (95% CI) <sup>a</sup>		%	90% CI
<b>Primary endpoint</b>							
Favorable overall response <sup>c</sup>	15	71.4 (49.8, 86.4)	7	70.0 (39.2, 89.7)	1.4	-7.3	(-27.5, 21.4)
Hospital-acquired bacterial pneumonia/ventilator-associated bacterial pneumonia	7/8	87.5 (50.8, 99.9)	2/3	66.7		20.8	
Complicated intraabdominal infection	0/2 <sup>d</sup>	0.0	0/2 <sup>e</sup>	0.0		0.0	
Complicated urinary tract infection	8/11	72.7 (42.9, 90.8)	5/5	100.0 (51.1, 100.0)		-27.3 (-52.8, 12.8)	
<b>Secondary endpoints</b>							
Favorable clinical response (day 28)	15 <sup>f</sup>	71.4 (49.8, 86.4)	4 <sup>g</sup>	40.0 (16.7, 68.8)	31.4	26.3	(1.3, 51.5)
28-day all-cause mortality	2	9.5 (1.4, 30.1)	3	30.0 (10.3, 60.8)	-20.5	-17.3	(-46.4, 6.7)
Treatment-emergent nephrotoxicity <sup>h</sup>	3/29	10.3 (2.8, 27.2)	9/16	56.3 (33.2, 76.9)		-45.9 (-69.1, -18.4)	

# RESTORE-IMI-1: Response to IMI/REL in mMITT Population



imipenem/cilastatin/relebactam and 267 piperacillin/tazobactam; 48.6% had ventilated HABP/VABP, 66.1% were in the ICU.

The most common pathogens were *K. pneumoniae* (25.6%) and *P. aeruginosa* (18.9%).

## A Randomized, Double-blind, Multicenter Trial Comparing Efficacy and Safety of Imipenem/Cilastatin/Relebactam Versus Piperacillin/Tazobactam in Adults With Hospital-acquired or Ventilator-associated Bacterial Pneumonia (RESTORE-IMI 2 Study)

**Table 2. Primary, Key Secondary, and Other Prespecified Secondary Efficacy Endpoints**

Endpoint	IMI/REL, no./No. (%) <sup>a</sup>	PIP/TAZ, no./No. (%) <sup>a</sup>	Adjusted Difference <sup>b</sup> , % (95% CI)
<b>Primary endpoint</b>			
Day 28 all-cause mortality (MITT)	42/264 (15.9)	57/267 (21.3)	-5.3 (-11.9 to 1.2) <sup>c</sup>
<b>Key secondary endpoint</b>			
Favorable clinical response at EFU (MITT)	161/264 (61.0) <sup>d</sup>	149/267 (55.8) <sup>d</sup>	5.0 (-3.2 to 13.2) <sup>e</sup>
<b>Other secondary endpoints</b>			
Day 28 all-cause mortality (mMITT)	36/215 (16.7)	44/218 (20.2)	-3.5 (-10.9 to 3.6)
Favorable microbiologic response at EFU (mMITT)	146/215 (67.9) <sup>d</sup>	135/218 (61.9) <sup>d</sup>	6.2 (-2.7 to 15.0)
Favorable clinical response at EFU (CE)	101/136 (74.3)	100/126 (79.4)	-3.7 (-13.6 to 6.4)

Imipenem/cilastatin/relebactam was noninferior ( $P < .001$ ) to piperacillin/tazobactam for both endpoints: day 28 all-cause mortality and favorable clinical response at early follow-up.



## Early Multicenter Experience With Imipenem-Cilastatin-Relebactam for Multidrug-Resistant Gram-Negative Infections

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- Multicenter, retrospective, observational case series
- 21 patients were treated with imipenem-cilastatin-relebactam.
- There were mixed infection sources, with pulmonary infections (11/21, 52%) composing the majority.
- The primary pathogen was *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* (16/21, 76%), and 15/16 (94%) isolates were multidrug-resistant.
- Thirty-day survival occurred in 14/21 (67%) patients
- Two patients experienced adverse effects.

# Real-world effectiveness of imipenem/cilastatin/relebactam for the treatment of gram-negative infections

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- A total of 160 patients from 63 hospitals were included in the analysis (**Figure 1**)
- The median (IQR) age was 59 (46-68) years, and patients were acutely and chronically ill (**Table 1**)
  - Common comorbid conditions included renal disease (43.1%), diabetes (37.5%), congestive heart failure (34.4%), and chronic pulmonary disease (26.9%)
  - The median (IQR) age-adjusted Charlson Comorbidity Index was 5 (2-8), and 20.6% of patients had a COVID ICD-10 diagnosis code
  - During the index hospitalization, 60.6% of patients were in the intensive care unit (ICU), 40.6% had septic shock, and 55.0% required mechanical ventilation

**Table 2. Microbiology characteristics stratified by infection type<sup>a</sup>**

	Overall (N=37)	HABP/VABP (n=24)	cUTI (n=4)	cIAI (n=3)
<b>Polymicrobial infections, n (%)</b>	13 (35.1)	11 (45.8)	–	–
<b>Pathogen, n (%)</b>				
<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	33 (89.2)	21 (87.5)	3 (75.0)	3 (100.0)
<i>E. coli</i>	4 (10.8)	4 (16.7)	–	–
<i>K. pneumoniae</i>	7 (18.9)	4 (16.7)	1 (25.0)	–
<i>E. cloacae</i>	4 (10.8)	4 (16.7)	–	–
<i>K. (Enterobacter) aerogenes</i>	1 (2.7)	1 (4.2)	–	–
<i>K. oxytoca</i>	1 (2.7)	1 (4.2)	–	–
<i>S. marcescens</i>	2 (5.4)	2 (8.3)	–	–
<b>Resistant infection, n (%)</b>				
CRE	1 (2.7)	1 (4.2)	–	–
ESBL	4 (10.8)	4 (16.7)	–	–
MDR PSA	28 (75.7)	18 (75.0)	2 (50.0)	2 (66.7)

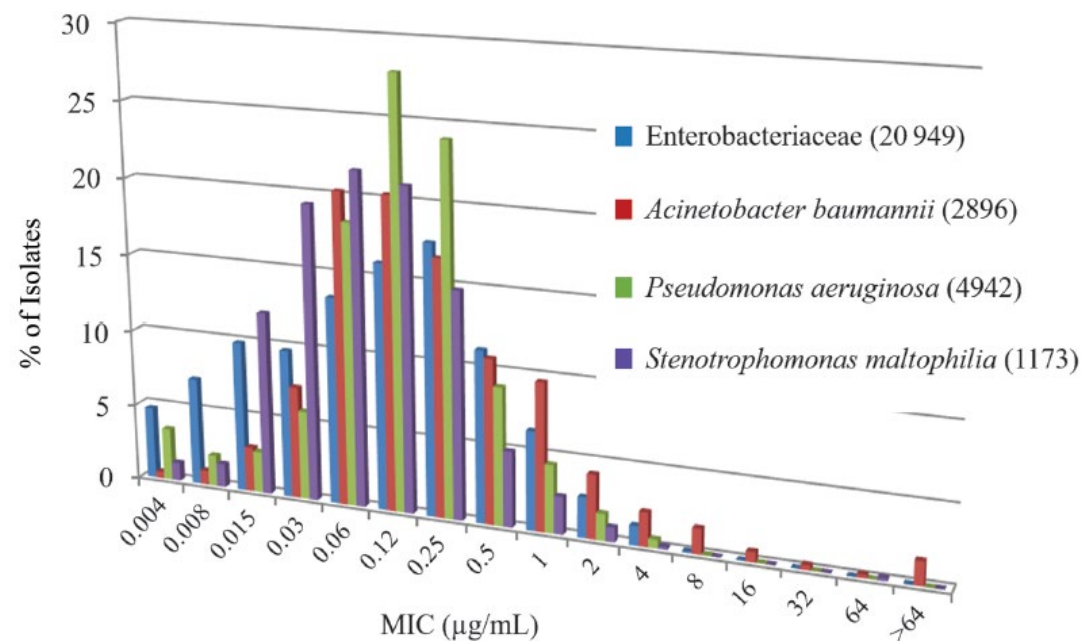
**Table 4. Patient outcomes**

	Overall (N=160)	HABP/VABP (n=86)
Median hospital LOS, days (IQR)	25 (13, 44)	32 (18, 59)
Median ICU LOS, days (IQR)	27 (13, 38)	29 (16, 49)
All-cause in-hospital mortality, n (%)	39 (24.4)	34 (39.5)
All-cause 30-day mortality <sup>a</sup> , n (%)	34 (21.3)	27 (31.4)
Readmission in 30 days, n (%)	28 (17.5)	8 (9.3)
In-hospital mortality among COVID+ patients, n (%)	19/33 (57.6)	17/28 (60.7)
In-hospital mortality among non-COVID+ patients, n (%)	20/127 (15.7)	17/58 (29.3)

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## In Vitro Activity of Cefiderocol Against a Broad Range of Clinically Important Gram-negative Bacteria

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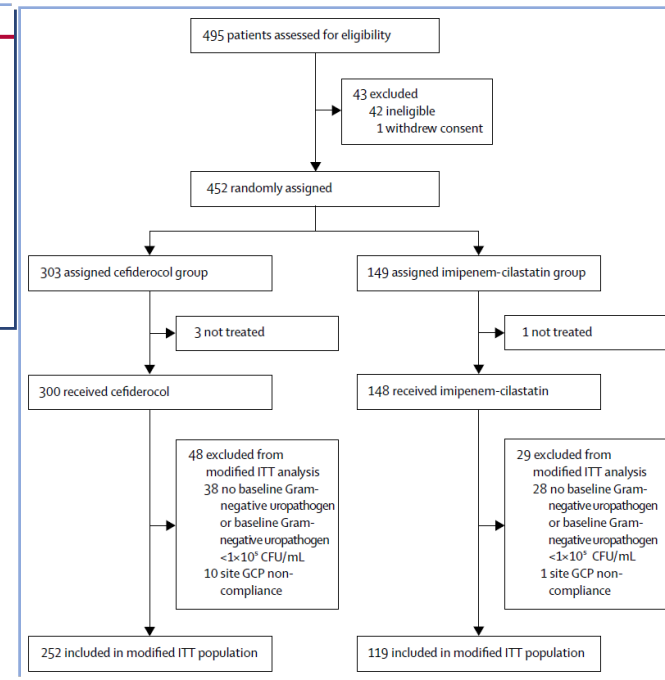
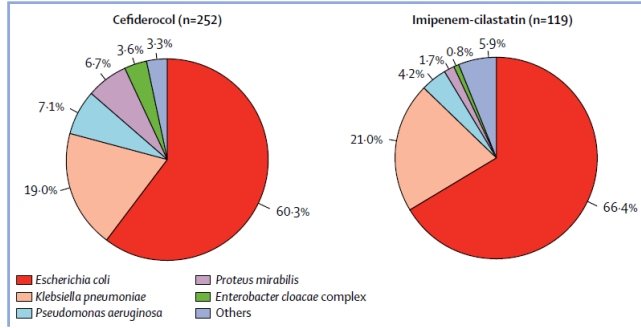
**Table 2. Susceptibility Ratio to Cefiderocol and Comparators of Carbapenem-resistant Isolates From the SIDERO-CR-2014/2016 Study**

Species (No. of Strains)	Ratio of Susceptible Strains <sup>a</sup> , (%)				
	Cefiderocol	Ceftazidime-avibactam	Ceftolozane-tazobactam	Ciprofloxacin	Colistin
<b>Carbapenem-nonsusceptible strains<sup>b</sup></b>					
Enterobacteriaceae (1022)	97.0	77.0	1.7	11.5	77.8 <sup>c</sup>
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> (262)	99.2	36.3	24.1	1.2	99.6
<i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i> (368)	90.9	NA	NA	0	94.6
<i>Stenotrophomonas maltophilia</i> (217)	100 <sup>e</sup>	NA	NA	NA	NA

# Cefiderocol versus imipenem-cilastatin for the treatment of complicated urinary tract infections caused by Gram-negative uropathogens: a phase 2, randomised, double-blind, non-inferiority trial



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	n/N (%)		Treatment difference* (95% CI)
	Cefiderocol	Imipenem-cilastatin	
<b>Analysis population</b>			
mITT population	183/252 (73)	65/119 (55)	18.58 (8.23-28.92)
Microbiologically evaluable population	182/228 (80)	65/106 (61)	19.35 (8.87-29.82)
<b>Age, years</b>			
<65	87/113 (77)	32/54 (60)	17.73 (2.50-32.96)
≥65	96/139 (69)	33/65 (51)	18.30 (3.92-32.67)
<b>Sex</b>			
Men	84/119 (71)	25/48 (52)	18.50 (2.17-34.84)
Women	99/133 (74)	40/71 (56)	18.10 (4.38-31.81)
<b>Clinical diagnosis</b>			
cUTI with or without pyelonephritis	129/187 (69)	41/84 (49)	20.17 (7.60-32.75)
Acute uncomplicated pyelonephritis	54/65 (83)	24/35 (69)	14.51 (-3.37-32.38)

← Favours imipenem-cilastatin
Favours cefiderocol →

# Cefiderocol versus high-dose, extended-infusion meropenem for the treatment of Gram-negative nosocomial pneumonia (APEKS-NP): a randomised, double-blind, phase 3, non-inferiority trial



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	Cefiderocol (n=145)	Meropenem (n=147)	Treatment difference (95% CI)
<b>Clinical cure</b>			
All patients	94/145 (65%)	98/147 (67%)	-1.8 (-12.7 to 9.0)
HAP	33/59 (56%)	41/60 (68%)	-12.4 (-29.7 to 4.9)
VAP	39/59 (66%)	36/64 (56%)	9.9 (-7.3 to 27.0)
HCAP	22/27 (82%)	21/23 (91%)	-9.8 (-28.5 to 8.8)
Top five baseline pathogens			
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i>	31/48 (65%)	29/44 (66%)	-1.3 (-20.8 to 18.1)
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	16/24 (67%)	17/24 (71%)	-4.2 (-30.4 to 22.0)
<i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i>	12/23 (52%)	14/24 (58%)	-6.2 (-34.5 to 22.2)
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	12/19 (63%)	13/22 (59%)	4.1 (-25.8 to 33.9)
<i>Enterobacter cloacae</i>	5/7 (71%)	4/8 (50%)	21.4 (NA)
<b>Microbiological eradication</b>			
All patients	59/145 (41%)	61/147 (42%)	-0.8 (-12.1 to 10.5)
HAP	21/59 (36%)	27/60 (45%)	-9.4 (-26.9 to 8.1)
VAP	25/59 (42%)	22/64 (34%)	8.0 (-9.2 to 25.2)
HCAP	13/27 (48%)	12/23 (52%)	-4.0 (-31.8 to 23.8)
Top five baseline pathogens			
<i>K pneumoniae</i>	21/48 (44%)	22/44 (50%)	-6.3 (-26.6 to 14.1)
<i>P aeruginosa</i>	9/24 (38%)	11/24 (46%)	-8.3 (-36.1 to 19.5)
<i>A baumannii</i>	9/23 (39%)	8/24 (33%)	5.8 (-21.7 to 33.2)
<i>E coli</i>	10/19 (53%)	11/22 (50%)	2.6 (-28.0 to 33.3)
<i>E cloacae</i>	4/7 (57%)	3/8 (38%)	19.6 (NA)

**Cefiderocol was non-inferior to high-dose, extended-infusion meropenem in terms of all-cause mortality on day 14 in patients with Gram-negative nosocomial pneumonia, with similar tolerability**

Efficacy and safety of cefiderocol or best available therapy for the treatment of serious infections caused by carbapenem-resistant Gram-negative bacteria (CREDIBLE-CR): a randomised, open-label, multicentre, pathogen-focused, descriptive, phase 3 trial



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- Cefiderocol had similar clinical and microbiological efficacy to best available therapy in this heterogeneous patient population with infections caused by CR Gram-neg. bacteria.
- Numerically more deaths occurred in the cefiderocol group, primarily in the patient subset with *Acinetobacter* spp infections.

	Cefiderocol (n=101)	Best available therapy (n=49)
<i>Acinetobacter</i> spp*	21/42 (50%)	3/17 (18%)
<i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i>	19/39 (49%)	3/17 (18%)
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i>	8/34 (24%)	4/16 (25%)
Without <i>Acinetobacter</i> spp	6/28 (21%)	4/15 (27%)
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	6/17 (35%)	2/12 (17%)
Without <i>Acinetobacter</i> spp	2/11 (18%)	2/11 (18%)
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	1/6 (17%)	0/3
Without <i>Acinetobacter</i> spp	0/3	0/1
<i>Stenotrophomonas maltophilia</i>	4/5 (80%)	NA
Without <i>Acinetobacter</i> spp	2/3 (67%)	NA

Data are n/N (%). NA=not available. \*Includes *Acinetobacter baumannii* (for 39 patients assigned cefiderocol and 17 assigned best available therapy), *Acinetobacter nosocomialis* (for two patients assigned cefiderocol), and *Acinetobacter radioresistens* (for one patient assigned cefiderocol).

**Table 6: All-cause mortality at the end of study by most frequent baseline pathogen in the safety population**

	Nosocomial pneumonia		Bloodstream infections or sepsis		Complicated urinary tract infections		Overall	
	Cefiderocol (n=45)	Best available therapy (n=22)	Cefiderocol (n=30)	Best available therapy (n=17)	Cefiderocol (n=26)	Best available therapy (n=10)	Cefiderocol (n=101)	Best available therapy (n=49)
Day 14	11 (24%; 12.9–39.5)	3 (14%; 2.9–34.9)	5 (17%; 5.6–34.7)	1 (6%; 0.1–28.7)	3 (12%; 2.4–30.2)	2 (20%; 2.5–55.6)	19 (19%; 11.7–27.8)	6 (12%; 4.6–24.8)
Day 28	14 (31%; 18.2–46.6)	4 (18%; 5.2–40.3)	7 (23%; 9.9–42.3)	3 (18%; 3.8–43.4)	4 (15%; 4.4–34.9)	2 (20%; 2.5–55.6)	25 (25%; 16.7–34.3)	9 (18%; 8.8–32.0)
End of study	19 (42%; 27.7–57.8)	4 (18%; 5.2–40.3)	11 (37%; 19.9–56.1)	3 (18%; 3.8–43.4)	4 (15%; 4.4–34.9)	2 (20%; 2.5–55.6)	34 (34%; 24.6–43.8)	9 (18%; 8.8–32.0)

Data are n (%; 95% CI) by clinical diagnosis and overall. Percentages were calculated using n as the denominator, where n was the number of patients in the safety population who had the specified clinical diagnosis and known vital status at each timepoint.

**Table 5: All-cause mortality in the safety population**



## Cefiderocol for Extensively Drug-Resistant Gram-Negative Bacterial Infections: Real-world Experience From a Case Series and Review of the Literature

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**Table 2. Characteristics of the 3 Cases Treated at our Institution, as Well as the Cases Identified by the Literature Search**

Case	Age, y	Sex	Exposition	Diagnosis	Pathogen(s) and Carbapenemases	Days on Cefiderocol	Concomitant Antibiotic Therapy <sup>a</sup>	Adverse Events	Outcome
Case 1	29	M	Columbia	Acute osteomyelitis	<i>A. baumannii</i> (OXA-23) <i>E. cloacae</i> (KPC) <i>P. aeruginosa</i> (VIM)	14	Ceftazidim/ avibactam, colistin	None	Cured
Case 2	64	M	Serbia	Postoperative implant-associated surgical site infection	<i>A. baumannii</i> (OXA-40, NDM)	54	Ceftazidim/ avibactam (6d), colistin (14d)	None	Cured
Case 3	62	M	Thailand	Pleural empyema	<i>A. baumannii</i> (OXA-23, OXA-58)	42	Colistin	None	Cured
Stevens et al. [6]	46	M	USA	Tertiary peritonitis	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> (no carbapenemase detected)	28	None	None reported	Cured
Contreras et al. [7]	68	M	USA	Postoperative intra-abdominal infection	<i>K. pneumoniae</i> (2 strains; OXA-232, NDM-1, CTX-M-15)	13	Polymixin B, ceftazidim/ avibactam	None reported	Died <sup>b</sup>
Edgeworth et al. [8]	78	F	Kuwait	Native valve endocarditis	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> (no carbapenemase detected)	23	Colistin, meropenem (7d)	Neutropenia	Cured
Trecarichi et al. [9]	Adult	M	Italy	Ventilator-associated pneumonia	<i>A. baumannii</i> (no carbapenemase reported), <i>K. pneumoniae</i>	14	None	None reported	Cured
Alamarat et al. [10]	15	M	Nigeria	Chronic implant-associated osteomyelitis	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> (NDM-1)	95	Aztreonam (13d)	Neutropenia	Cured

# Cefiderocol as Rescue Therapy for *Acinetobacter baumannii* and Other Carbapenem-resistant Gram-negative Infections in Intensive Care Unit Patients



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Ten critically ill patients with either bacteremia or ventilator-associated pneumonia caused by carbapenem-resistant *Acinetobacter baumannii*, *Stenotrophomonas maltophilia*, or New Delhi metallo- $\beta$ -lactamase-producing *Klebsiella pneumoniae* received cefiderocol. All strains had minimum inhibitory concentration  $\leq 2$   $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$ . Thirty-day clinical success and survival rates were 70% and 90%, respectively.

Age/ Sex	Underlying Diseases	Cause of ICU Admission	SOFA Score	APACHE II Score	Isolated Pathogen	CFDC MIC, $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$	Type of Infection	Initial Treatment Regimen	CFDC Dosage	CFDC Monotherapy	CRRT	Clinical Outcome at 30 d
76/F	Hypertension Bipolar disorder	Burn (40% TBSA)	12	44	<i>A. baumannii</i>	0.25	BSI	COL + TGC	2 g q8h	Yes	Yes	Failure
82/M	Cerebrovascular disease Bladder cancer	Burn (22% TBSA)	12	43	<i>A. baumannii</i>	0.5	BSI	COL + TGC + FOS	2 g q8h	Yes	No	Success
65/F	Hypertension Obesity	Burn (36% TBSA)	12	46	<i>A. baumannii</i>	0.5	BSI	COL	2 g q8h	Yes	No	Failure
33/F	IV drug user	Burn (Lyell syndrome, 90% TBSA)	12	34	<i>A. baumannii</i>	0.5	BSI	COL + TGC	2 g q6h	Yes	No	Success
82/F	Hypertension Previous stroke	Colonic perforation, hemicolectomy	8	25	<i>A. baumannii</i>	0.25	BSI	COL + TGC + MEM	1.5 g q8h	Yes	No	Success
75/F	Hypertension Ischemic cardiomyopathy	COVID-19	11	29	<i>A. baumannii</i>	0.5	BSI	TGC + SAM	2 g q6h	Yes	No	Success
79/F	Hypertension	COVID-19	10	39	NDM-producing Kp <i>Stenotrophomonas maltophilia</i>	1/0.5	VAP	CAZ-AVI + ATM + FOS	2g q6h	Yes	No	Success
44/M	Hypertension Obesity	COVID-19	9	40	NDM-producing Kp	1	VAP	COL + FOS	2g q6h	Yes	No	Success
77/M	Hypertension	COVID-19	9	36	<i>A. baumannii</i> + NDM-producing Kp	0.12/ 2	VAP	COL + CAZ-AVI + ATM	1.5 g q8h	No <sup>a</sup>	Yes	Failure
72/M	Hypertension	COVID-19	11	30	<i>A. baumannii</i>	0.5	VAP	COL + TGC	2g q6h	Yes	No	Success





Research note

Cross-resistance to cefiderocol and ceftazidime–avibactam in KPC  $\beta$ -lactamase mutants and the inoculum effect

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- Because of the structural similarities between cefiderocol and ceftazidime, we hypothesized that resistance to CAZ-AVI in KPC-producing members of the Enterobacterales could lead to cross resistance to cefiderocol.
- We used 37 KPC mutants (carrying either  $\text{bla}_{\text{KPC-2}}$  or  $\text{bla}_{\text{KPC-3}}$ ) with increased CAZ-AVI MICs.
- We observed that most of the CAZ-AVI -resistant KPC variants have a possible impact on cefiderocol by increasing the cefiderocol MICs.
- In addition, cefiderocol is greatly impacted by the inoculum effect, suggesting that precautions should be taken when treating infections with a suspected high inoculum.



*\*Take  
home message*

*Ceftazidime-avibactam, Meropenem-vaborbactam and Imipenem-relebctam have a strong activity against KPC-producing Enterobacterales.*

*The activity of meropenem–vaborbactam and imipenem-relebactam would not be expected to differ from that of meropenem or imipenem alone in the presence of MBL and/or oxacillinase producers.*

*PK / PD characteristics suggests that meropenem/vaborbactam and imipenem-relebactam may be important treatment options for both ICU and non-ICU HP, including VAP, caused by Enterobacterales in regions with a high prevalence of KPCs.*

*Cefiderocol is effective against several MDR isolates of Pseudomonas and Acinetobacter and can also be used against CRE*