

# Understanding the Molecular Epidemiology of Non-CTX-M ESBL-producing Enterobacterales in the MidAtlantic United States

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# **Disclosures**

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#### **ESBL-E Primer**

- ESBL-E: 197,000 hospitalizations and 9,100 deaths in the United States (2017)
  - Rising compared to other resistance mechanisms
  - Multiple ESBL gene families (e.g., bla<sub>CTX-M</sub>, bla<sub>SHV</sub> variants, bla<sub>TFM</sub> variants)
    - bla<sub>CTX-M</sub> is most common
  - Contemporary estimates of the molecular epidemiology of ESBL genes is difficult to estimate
    - FDA cleared tests only detect  $bla_{\rm CTX-M}$  and are limited to blood isolates



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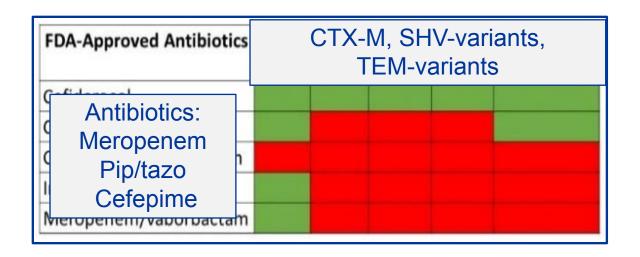
# Effect of Piperacillin-Tazobactam vs Meropenem on 30-Day Mortality for Patients With *E coli* or *Klebsiella pneumoniae* Bloodstream Infection and Ceftriaxone Resistance A Randomized Clinical Trial

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# Does knowing the ESBL family matter?

- Unclear if ESBL gene family should guide treatment
  - Ex: Carbapenems
- When molecular data is available, most studies have majority CTX-M ESBL-Es
  - MERINO: 83.5% CTX-M





# Why is this important?

- Ceftriaxone-R used as a proxy for ESBL production
  - Can lead to overtreatment with carbapenems when organism not actually an ESBL-E
- Other methods can lead to ESBL genes being missed
  - Phenotypic: cefepime-S or pip/tazo-S can be misleading (should still use carbapenems)



# Comparing outcomes of non-CTX-M and CTX-M ESBL-E infections

- Clinical outcomes of 30-day mortality and 30-day ESBL-E recurrence
- Exploratory analysis within non-CTX-M cohort
  - Treatment outcomes with meropenem, cefepime or pip/tazo



## **Methods**

- 500 ceftriaxone-resistant Enterobacterales bloodstream isolates
- MALDI-TOF identified species
- MICs were confirmed with BMD
- Whole genome sequencing (WGS) to identify ESBL genes
  - Illumina short-read sequencing



## **Methods**

- 2018–2022 from Johns Hopkins hospitals
- Adult and pediatric patients
- Obtained during routine clinical care
- Clinical chart review performed



# **Analysis**

- Inverse probability weighting using propensity scores
  - Used in causal inference
  - Goal: Balance of covariates between non-CTX-M and CTX-M groups
  - Addresses bias of known variables



#### Table 1

	Baseline Characteristics	Full Cohort		Inverse Probability Weighted Cohort			
		Non-CTX -M (n=32)	CTX-M (n=364)	Weighted Non-CTX-M (%)	Weighted CTX-M (%)	Standardized Mean Difference	
	Age ≥65 years, n (%)	14 (43.8)	159 (43.7)	(20.1)	(20.9)	105	
	Severe Immunocompromise, n (%)	8 (25.0)	117 (32.1)	(18.4)	(15.2)	.0745	
	ICU, n (%)	18 (56.3)	182 (50.0)	(28.4)	(24.2)	.0730	
	Pitt Bacteremia Score ≥4 on day 1, n (%)	9 (28.1)	89 (24.4)	(15.7)	(11.9)	.115	
	Charlson comorbidity index ≥5 on day 1, n (%)	13 (40.6)	172 (47.3)	(20.8)	(22.4)	143	
	Carbapenem administered as culture-directed therapy, n (%)	22 (68.8)	335 (92.0)	(48.1)	(43.3)	.0342	



#### Table 2

#### **Ceftriaxone-R Enterobacterales Molecular Epidemiology**

	ESBL Family					
Organism	CTX-M (n=370)	OXY (n=12)	SHV (n=16)	VEB (n=5)		
Enterobacter cloacae complex	5 (1%)	0	3 (19%)	0		
Escherichia coli	265 (72%)	0	0	0		
Klebsiella aerogenes	3 (<1%)	0	1 (6%)	0		
Klebsiella oxytoca	5 (1%)	12 (100%)	1 (6%)	0		
Klebsiella pneumoniae	88 (24%)	0	10 (63%)	0		
Proteus mirabilis	3 (<1%)	0	0	5 (100%)		
Providencia stuartii	1 (<1%)	0	0	0		
Serratia marcescens	0	0	1 (6%)	0		

<sup>\*</sup>No ESBL genes were found in 20.8% of isolates

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<sup>\*\*</sup>ampC genes were found in 8 (100%) Citrobacter freundii, 51 (100%) E. cloacae complex, 2 (2%) K. pneumoniae, 18 (100%) K. aerogenes, 2 (100%) Morganella morganii, 1 (11%) P. mirabilis, 1 (100%) P. stuartii, and 9 (100%) S. marcescens isolates



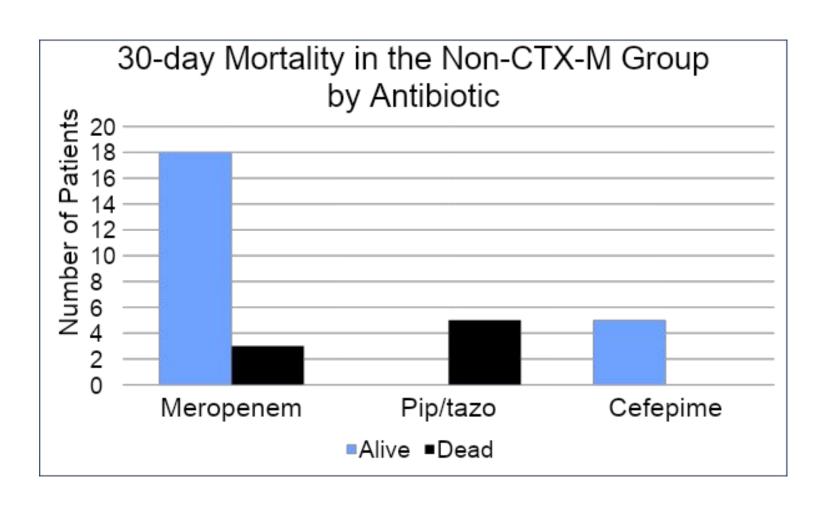
#### Clinical Outcomes in the IPW Cohort

Outcome	Percent with Outcome	Odds Ratio	95% Confidence Interval	p-value
30-day mortality (non-CTX-M vs CTX-M)	16%	.99	.87-1.11	.83
30-day ESBL-E recurrence (non-CTX-M vs CTX-M)	10%	1.10	.85-1.42	.47

•Similarly concerning outcomes (30-day mortality, ESBL-E recurrence) between non-CTX-M and CTX-M groups



# Should we use meropenem for non-CTX-M ESBL-E infections?





## **Conclusions**

- Meropenem associated with improved 30-day mortality within the non-CTX-M group
- Overall Conclusion
  - Potential benefit of early diagnostics and issues with using MICs alone to guide treatment



#### **Limitations**

- Observational data
  - Residual confounding
- Small sample size
- Only hospitals in Maryland



# **Next Steps**

- Continue to study clinical outcomes and molecular epidemiology of non-CTX-M ESBL-Es
- Expand the 500-isolate cohort
- Increase geographic reach



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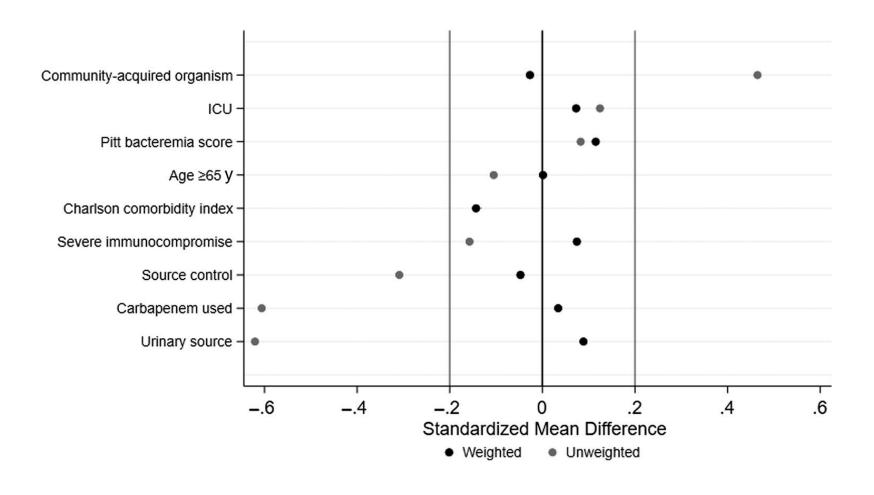
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Age, median (IQR)	52.2 (33.5-75.8)	61.9 (47.9-73.3)	39.7 (32.6-70.7)	61.8 (47.4-73.3)	-
Age ≥ 65 years, n (%)	14 (43.8)	159 (43.7)	(20.1)	(20.93)	1050117
Male sex, n (%)	20 (62.5)	186 (51.1)	(39.4)	(24.7)	
Severe immunocompromise, n (%)	8 (25.0)	117 (32.1)	(18.4)	(15.2)	.0744809
ICU, n (%)	18 (56.3)	182 (50.0)	(28.4)	(24.2)	.0729625
Pitt Bacteremia Score ≥ 4 on day 1, n (%)	9 (28.1)	89 (24.4)	(15.7)	(11.9)	.1153025
Charlson comorbidity index ≥ 5 on day 1, n (%)	13 (40.6)	172 (47.3)	(20.8)	(22.4)	1431494
Source of bacteremia, n (%)	j				
Intra-abdominal	8 (25.0)	110 (30.2)	(8.8)	(15.1)	220
Respiratory	4 (12.5)	17 (4.7)	(1.5)	(2.4)	<del></del> 8
Skin or soft skin	2 (6.3)	22 (6.0)	(2.0)	(2.9)	
Urinary tract	7 (21.9)	184 (50.5)	(27.5)	(23.1)	.0888232
Source control by end of antibiotic therapy, n (%)	24 (75.0)	317 (87.1)	(44.0)	(41.1)	0472916
Carbapenem administered as culture-directed therapy, n (%)	22 (68.8)	335 (92.0)	(48.1)	(43.3)	.0341912
Community-acquired organism group, n (%)	27 (84.4)	335 (92.0)	(51.1)	(46.3)	0267189



Molecular Epidemiology						
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Serratia marcescens	8 (7.7)	0	0	1 (6%)	0	

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# **Most Common Serotypes by Organism**

Organism	Serotype	Frequency
	131	168
E. coli	648	13
	69	7
	1193	7
	410	5
	93	1
	307	18
	17	9
K.	348	9
	405	8
pneumoniae	93	6
	15	4
	628	5
K. aerogenes	15	1