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Do bugs need drugs?

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Talk outline

- What is a multidrug resistant organism (MDRO)?
- Why do we need to be worried about them?
- What rates of MDRO are present-Ireland and globally?
- What can be done to prevent their emergence and spread?

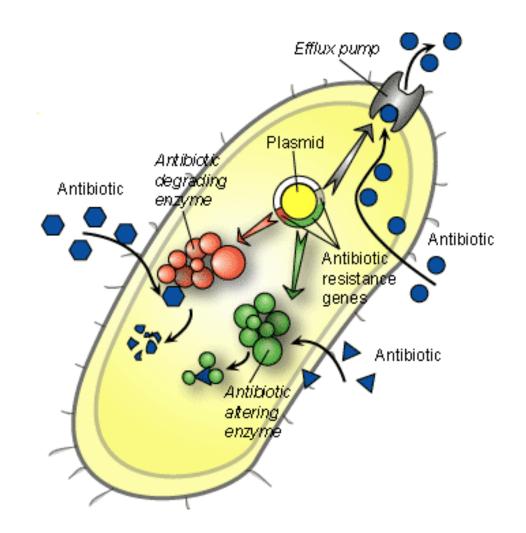


Multi-drug resistant organisms

- MRSA
- VRE (Vancomycin resistant Enterococci)
- Linezolid resistant VRE
- Multi-resistant Gram negative bacteria (ESBLs, MDRKP, CRE)
- Penicillin resistant Streptococcus pneumoniae
- Multi and extensively drug resistant TB
- Multi-drug resistant gonorrhoea.....



How do bacteria become resistant to antibiotics?



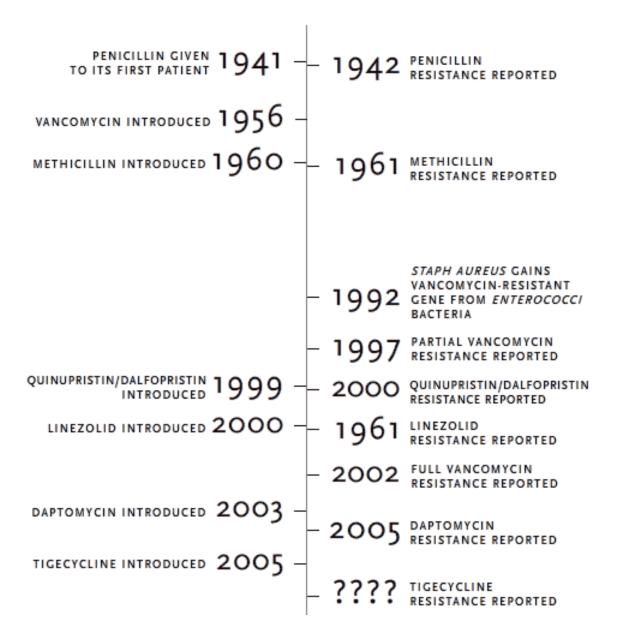


Why are MDROs an issue?





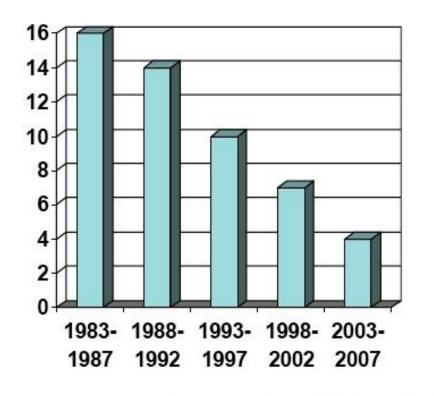






Antibacterial agents approved, 1983-2007





■ Total # New Antibacterial Agents

Spellberg, et. al., CID May 1 2004, Modified





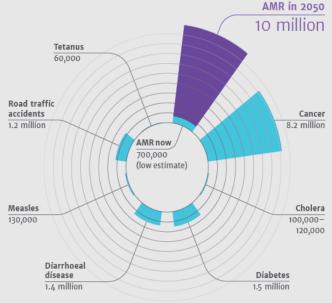
Antibiotics

Antimicrobial resistance a 'greater threat than cancer by 2050'

UK chancellor George Osborne to tell IMF that 10m people a year could die without radical action



Deaths attributable to AMR every year compared to other major causes of death

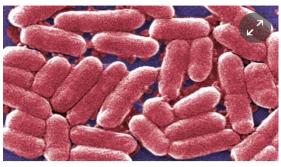




Antibiotics

US reports first case of bacteria resistant to antibiotic of last resort

'It is the end of the road for antibiotics unless we act urgently,' says Centers for Disease Control and Prevention after superbug infects Pennsylvania woman



A colorised image showing a strain of the E coli bacteria. Photograph: Janice Carr/AP



MDROs discussed in this talk



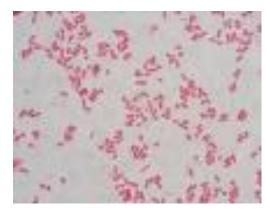
•ESBLs, MDRKPs, CRE/CPE

VRE



Enterobacteriaceae

- Enterobacteriaceae family: E coli, Klebsiella spp, Enterobacter spp.
- Normal gut flora
- Common cause UTI in community
- Hospital acquired infections: UTI, pneumonia, intraabdominal infections, wound infections, bloodstream infections







What are ESBLs (extended spectrum beta-lactamases)?

- ESBLs are enzymes which confer resistance to beta-lactam antibioticsampicillin/amoxicillin, co-amoxiclav, all cephalosporins
- Produced by Gram negative bacteria eg. E. coli, Klebsiella spp., Proteus spp.
- Show the ability of Gram negative bacteria to develop new antibiotic resistance mechanisms in the face of the introduction of new antimicrobial agents



Why do I need to know about ESBLs?

- Incidence of resistance of Gram negative bacteria increasing
- Range of antibiotics available to treat these infections decreasing
- Infection caused by ESBL= more likely to have increased mortality, longer hospital stays and greater hospital costs



Where do ESBLs come from?

- Frequently plasmid encoded
- Plasmid= small DNA fragment that is capable of self replication and can be passed from one bacteria to another
- Plasmids containing enzymes for ESBL frequently carry genes encoding resistance to other antibiotics eg. aminoglycosides, quinolones



Where are ESBLs found?

 May live harmlessly in gut (similar to non-ESBL producing *E. coli*) but cause problems when enter urinary tract, bloodstream *etc*.



What kind of infections do ESBLs cause?

- Same range of infections as "regular" E.coli, Klebsiella spp. Proteus spp.
- Urinary tract infections
- Intra-abdominal infections
- Healthcare associated pneumonia
- Catheter related bloodstream infections
- Skin/ soft tissue (more unusual, these organisms tend to colonize rather than infect skin)



Who is at risk of infections caused by ESBL-producing bacteria?

- Gut colonization
- Length of ICU stay
- Presence of central venous or arterial catheters
- Emergency abdominal surgery
- Presence of a gastrostomy or jejunostomy tube
- Low birth weight

- Prior administration of any antibiotic
- Prior residence in a long-term care facility (eg, nursing home)
- Severity of illness
- Presence of a urinary catheter
- Ventilatory assistance
- Undergoing haemodialysis



Can patients be cleared of ESBL carriage?

- Likely that patients will carry the ESBL producing organism for some time
- Persists in gut (will become part of normal flora)
- Sometimes strain lost naturally
- Use of antibiotics will not help



What do I tell patients/relatives?

- Depends on whether colonized or infected
- Explain that patient has an infection which is resistant to many commonly used antibiotics
- Spread can be prevented through correct hand hygiene procedures



Treatment Options

- Trimethoprim and nitrofurantion
- Ciprofloxacin
- Aminoglycosides
- Fosfomycin
- Pivmecillinam
- Cefepime
- Temocillin
- ??piperacillin/tazobactam
- Carbapenems (ertapenem, meropenem)



What is MDRKP?

- MDRKP= Multi-drug resistant Klebsiella pneumoniae
- Klebsiella pneumonia that are ESBL positive and are resistant to ciprofloxacin and gentamicin
- Notifiable to HPSC



Invasive MDRKP, including MDRKP/Non-CRE and MDRKP/CRE: distribution of cases by year, 2006-2015: HPSC most recent data

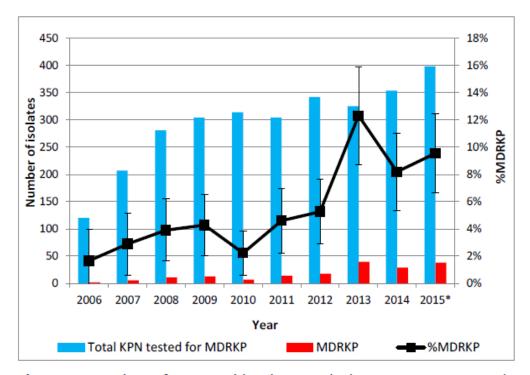


Figure 3: Number of *MDRKP* bloodstream isolates MDRKP proportions from acute hospitals (public & private) by year, 2006 to 2015*

MDRKP - Multi-drug resistant *K. pneumoniae*. *Data for 2015 provisional to the end of Q4 (and missing data from 3 laboratories for 2 quarters)



Carbapenems

- Carbapenems are <u>invaluable</u> for the treatment of infection due to multiresistant Gram negative bacteria
- Meropenem, ertapenem, doripenem, imipenem



CRE

- Enterobacteriaceae that have acquired enzymes that confer resistance to the carbapenem group of antibiotics
- Broadly resistant to beta lactam antibiotics
- These bacteria often have acquired mechanisms that confer resistance to other clinically important antibiotics eg. aminoglycosides, fluoroquinolones
- Few or no treatment options exist



Emergence of CRE

- Global spread of successful clones that follow patients
- First transferrable resistance described in Japan in 1990
- North Carolina in 1996- East Coast USA- spread throughout USA-Endemic in New York City
- Greek outbreaks in 2003...ongoing
- Importation from Indian subcontinent from 2008
- 70% mortality in patients with bloodstream infection



Treatment Options for CRE





BRIEF REPORT

Infection with Panresistant Klebsiella pneumoniae: A Report of 2 Cases and a Brief Review of the Literature

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Infections caused by carbapenemase-producing Klebstella pneumoniae have been reported with increasing frequency, thereby limiting the choice of effective antimicrobial agents available to clinicians. This has prompted the increased use of polymyxins and tigecycline, but resistance to these agents is already emerging. We report 2 cases of infection with panresistant K. pneumoniae.

for 2 days. A urinalysis revealed nitrites and a white blood cell count >100 cells per high-power field. Her examination was notable for a temperature of 37.4°C and suprapubic tenderness. A urine culture showed >100,000 colony-forming units (cfu) per mL of a highly resistant, KPC-producing K. pneumoniae strain. The minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC) was 4 μg/mL for tigecycline and 96 μg/mL for polymyxin B. The patient's catheter was removed, and she began treatment with tigecycline and rifampin. She developed a rash, and the rifampin was discontinued. Her urinalysis results remained unchanged, and her urine culture again showed the presence of >100,000 cfu/mL of K. pneumoniae, which now had an MIC >8 µg/mL for tigecycline. Tigecycline was discontinued after 10 days of treatment, and the patient was discharged to home with persistent dysuria. She subsequently had spontaneous resolution of symptoms, although the last available urine culture

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Has the era of untreatable infections arrived?

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Antibiotic resistance is a major public health concern, with fears expressed that we shortly will run out of antibiotics. In reality, the picture is more mixed, improving against some pathogens but worsening against others. Against methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA)-the highest profile pathogen-the range of treatment options is expanding, with daptomycin, linezolid and tigecycline all launched, and telavancin, ceftobiprole, ceftaroline and dalbavancin anticipated. There is a greater problem with enterococci, especially if, as in endocarditis, bactericidal activity is needed and the isolate has high-level aminoglycoside resistance; nevertheless, daptomycin, telavancin and razupenem all offer cidal potential. Against Enterobacteriaceae, the rapid and disturbing spread of extendedspectrum β-lactamases, AmpC enzymes and quinolone resistance is forcing increased reliance on carbapenems, with resistance to these slowly accumulating via the spread of metallo-, KPC and OXA-48 β-lactamases. Future options overcoming some of these mechanisms include various novel β-lactamase-inhibitor combinations, but none of these overcomes all the carbapenemase types now circulating. Multiresistance that includes carbapenems is much commoner in non-fermenters than in the Enterobacteriaceae, depending mostly on OXA carbapenemases in Acinetobacter baumannii and on combinations of chromosomal mutation in Pseudomonas aeruginosa. No agent in advanced development has much to offer here, though there is interest in modified, less-toxic, polymyxin derivatives and in the siderophore monobactam BAL30072, which has impressive activity against A. baumannii and members of the Burkholderia cepacia complex. A final and surprising problem is Neisseria gonorrhoese, where each good oral agent has been eroded in turn and where there is now little in reserve behind the oral oxylmino cephalosporins, to which low-level resistance is emerging.

Keywords: β-lactamases, MRSA, Escherichia coli, Acinetobacter baumannii, Neisseria gonorrhoeae

Bad Bugs, No Drugs

As Antibiotic Discovery Stagnates ... A Public Health Crisis Brews





July 2004



VRE- Vancomycin Resistant Enterococci

- Normal flora GIT
- Intrinsic resistance to many antibiotics (e.g. cephalosporins, quinolones)
- Very hardy and able to survive in the environment



What kinds of infection are caused by VRE?

- Urinary tract infections
- Intra-abdominal infections
- Bloodstream infections
- Infective endocarditis
- NB: VRE does not cause diarrhoea



Risk factors for VRE

- Immunosuppression
- Haematological malignancies
- Organ transplantation
- Length of ICU stay
- Residence in a longterm care facility
- Proximity to another colonized or infected patient
- Hospitalization in a unit with a high prevalence of VRE

- Serious co-morbid conditions such as diabetes, renal failure, and high Acute Physiology and Chronic Health Evaluation (APACHE) II scores
- Prior exposure to antimicrobials including vancomycin, aminoglycosides, cephalosporins, clindamycin, metronidazole, and carbapenems



VRE- Vancomycin Resistant Enterococci



- GIT colonization may persist for a very long time
- Decolonization strategies not effective
- Antibiotics will not decolonize



VRE- where did it come from?

- First encountered in clinical isolates in England and France in 1986, followed the next year by isolation of VRE in the United States
- In Europe, the rise of VRE was thought to arise from the use of a glycopeptide antibiotic avoparcin as a growth promoter in livestock
- In the US the predominance of VRE was in the hospital setting, believed to be due to the increasing use of the glycopeptide antibiotic vancomycin to treat MRSA





 Farm animals account for 40% of antibiotic use in the UK

 80% of all antibiotics in the US given to farm animals







Kentucky

VRE resistance mechanisms spreading to MRSA....

 In 2002 the threat of VRE colonization and infections increased when the first patient case of VRE transmitting resistance genes to methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) to form a vancomycin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (VRSA) isolate was reported



Treatment options for VRE

- Nitrofurantoin
- Fosfomycin
- Linezolid
- Tedizolid
- Daptomycin
- Tigecycline
- Outbreaks of Linezolid resistant VRE recently reported in Irish hospitals....



Environmental reservoirs a problem with VRE

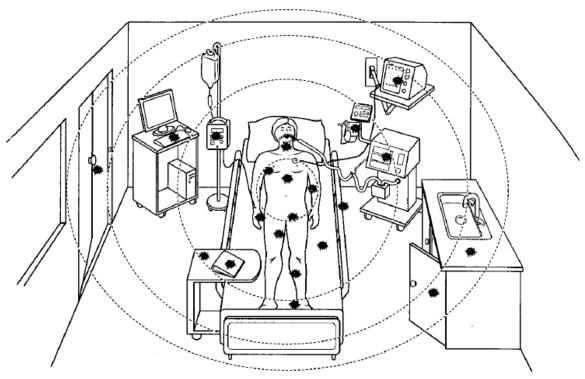


Figure 1. Patient and environmental sources of methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) and vancomycin-resistant enterococcus (VRE) in an intensive care unit room. *Expanding circles* highlight the patient as the major reservoir and epicenter for MRSA and VRE. *Splotches* represent locations where MRSA and VRE are commonly found.



What levels of antimicrobial resistance are present in Ireland?

How do we compare to other countries?



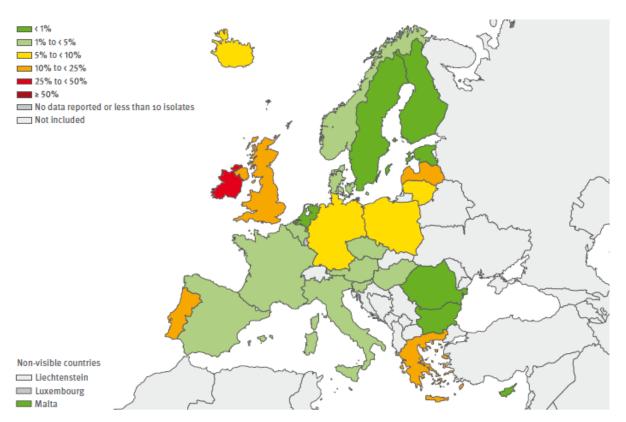
EARS-net

- EU Surveillance network for antimicrobial resistance
- Key pathogens
- Began 1999
- Excellent participation by Irish laboratories



VRE 2010

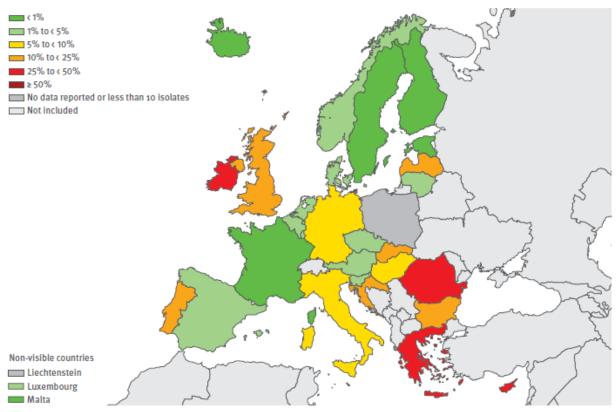
Figure 5.12: Enterococcus faecium: proportion of invasive isolates resistant to vancomycin in 2010





VRE 2014

Figure 3.25. Enterococcus faecium. Percentage (%) of invasive isolates with resistance to vancomycin, by country, EU/ EEA countries, 2014





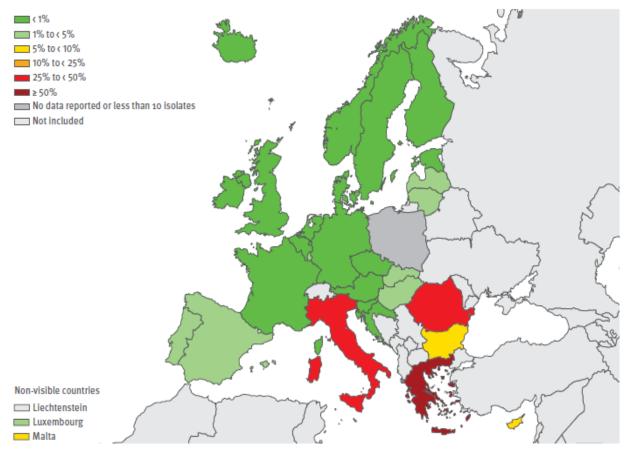


Proportion of Carbapenems (R+I) resistant Klebsiella pneumoniae isolates in participating countries in 2009



CRE 2014

Figure 3.9. Klebsiella pneumoniae. Percentage (%) of invasive isolates with resistance to carbapenems, by country, EU/EEA countries, 2014

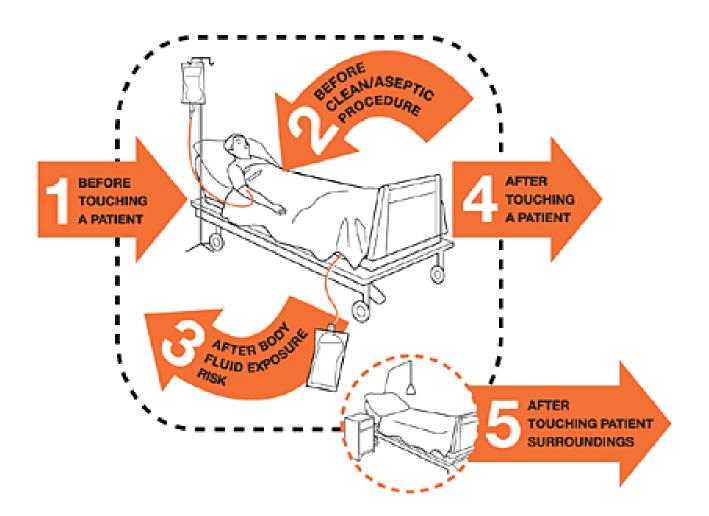




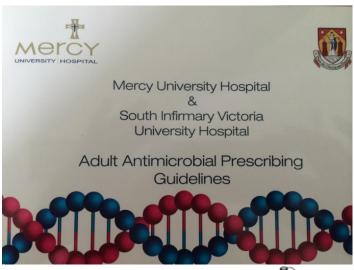
How can infections with ESBLs, MDRKP, CRE and VRE be spread?

- Most important mode of transmission via transient carriage on the hands of healthcare workers
- Environmental cleaning
- Prudent use of antibiotics to prevent emergence of new strains (antimicrobial stewardship)

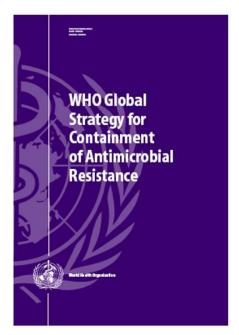


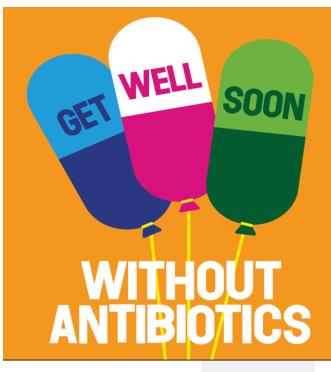












A European Health Initiative



Get better without using antibiotics

This leaflet explains the need to get the right treatment for common illnesses such as colds and coughs without encouraging antibiotic resistance.

Department of Health
Advisory Committee on Antimicrobial Resistance
and Healthcare Associated Infection (ARHAI)

ANTIMICROBIAL STEWARDSHIP: "START SMART - THEN FOCUS"

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An Ongoing National Intervention to Contain the Spread of Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae



Mitchell J. Schwaber and Yehuda Carmeli

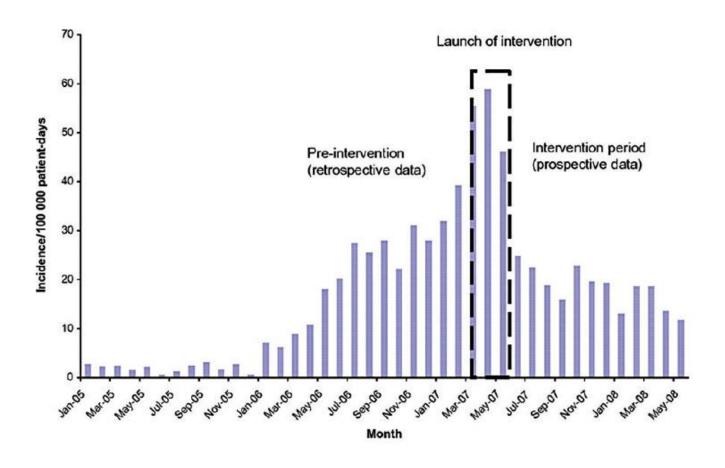
National Center for Infection Control, Tel Aviv, Israel

Clinical Infectious Diseases 2014;58(5):697-703

- Nationwide spread of CRE in Israel 2006failure to contain a local levels
- Acquisition rate of 55.5 cases per 100,000 patient days
- National intervention for CRE containment



Acquisition rate now 4.8 cases per 100,000 patient days..





What worked?

TABLE 1. Compliance with Infection Control Guidelines in 13 Post-Acute Care Hospitals as Noted on 3 Site Visits

Variable	2008	2010	2011	P
Infection control consultant	62	85	92	.055
Hand hygiene ²²				
Presence of ABHR in each room	85	92	100	.146
ABHR at site of care	15	54	85	<.001
Presence of antiseptic soap	15	92	85	<.001
Presence of sink in each room	23	31	46	.164
Paper towel availability	69	85	100	.032
Compliance audits	0	46	77	<.001
Appropriate use of barrier precautions in context of standard precautions ²³				
Gloves	31	69	92	.001
Gowns	54	77	77	.208
Masks	38	62	69	.118
CRE prevention program				
Placement of colonized patients in single rooms or cohorting	77	85	100	.082
Use of gown and gloves in contact isolation	46	92	100	.001
Designated medical equipment	92	100	100	.221
Admission screening cultures	15	69	77	.002
Contact screening	38	77	100	.001
Discontinuation of isolation per standard protocol	15	46	100	<.001
Total infection control score (average, out of possible 16)	6.8	11.6	14.0	<.001

NOTE. Data are percentage of compliant hospitals (n = 13), unless otherwise indicated. ABHR, alcoholbased hand rub; CRE, carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae.



Take home messages

- MDRO rates a major concern in Irish healthcare and globally
- Antimicrobial resistance a real threat to how we all practice medicine
- Stewardship and adherence to infection prevention and control practices our best (only) means to limit the spread

