

Epidemiology, Risk Factors, and Comorbidities Associated With MRSA Infections

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- [EUCAST](#) steering committee (2008-2010) and General Assembly (current)
- the Governance Body of [DRIVE-AB](#) (2014-2017)
(an EU programme aiming at (re)designing the economic framework of the discovery, development and commercialization processes for new antibiotics)

¹ merged in 2017 with and renamed as Melinta Therapeutics

² formerly RibX Pharmaceuticals

³ acquired by Cubist (2014), which was then acquired by Merck (2016)

⁴ discontinued antibiotic R&D in 2018

Learning objectives



- Understanding the current epidemiological situation ...
- Defining which are the risks for your patients ...
- Should we pay attention to comorbidities ?

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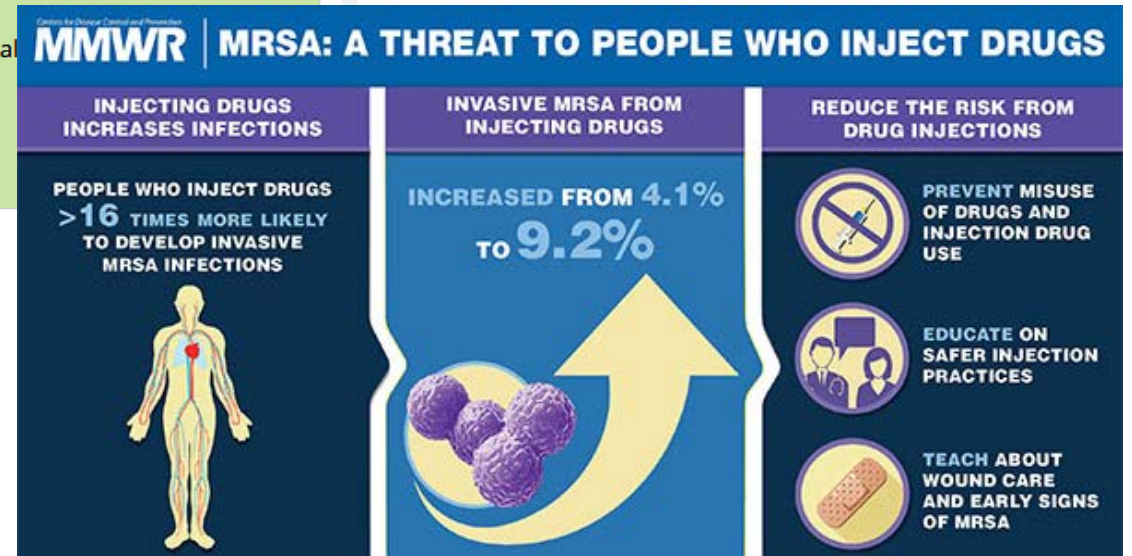
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Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR) 2018;67:625-28

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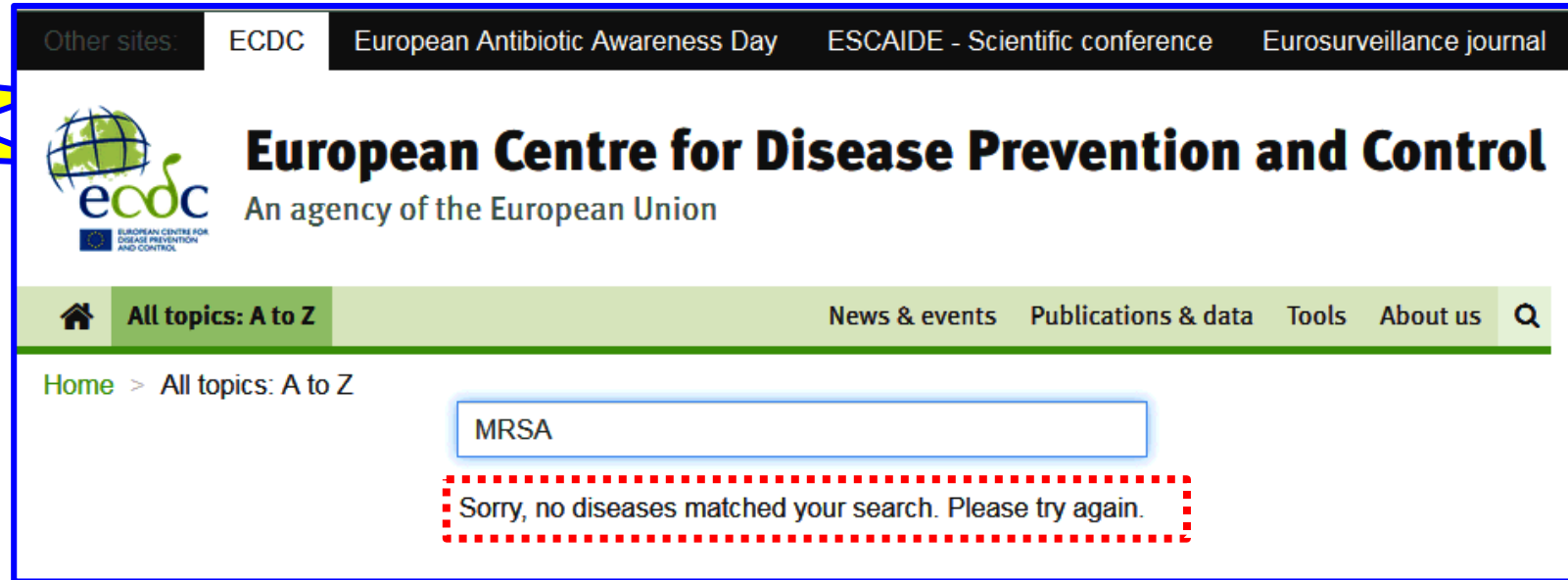
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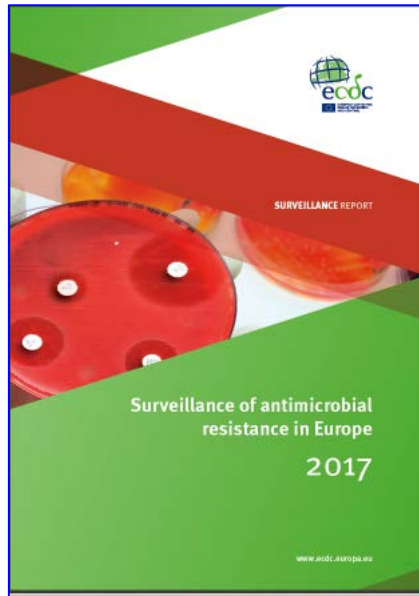
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But here is a reason to worry in Europe ...

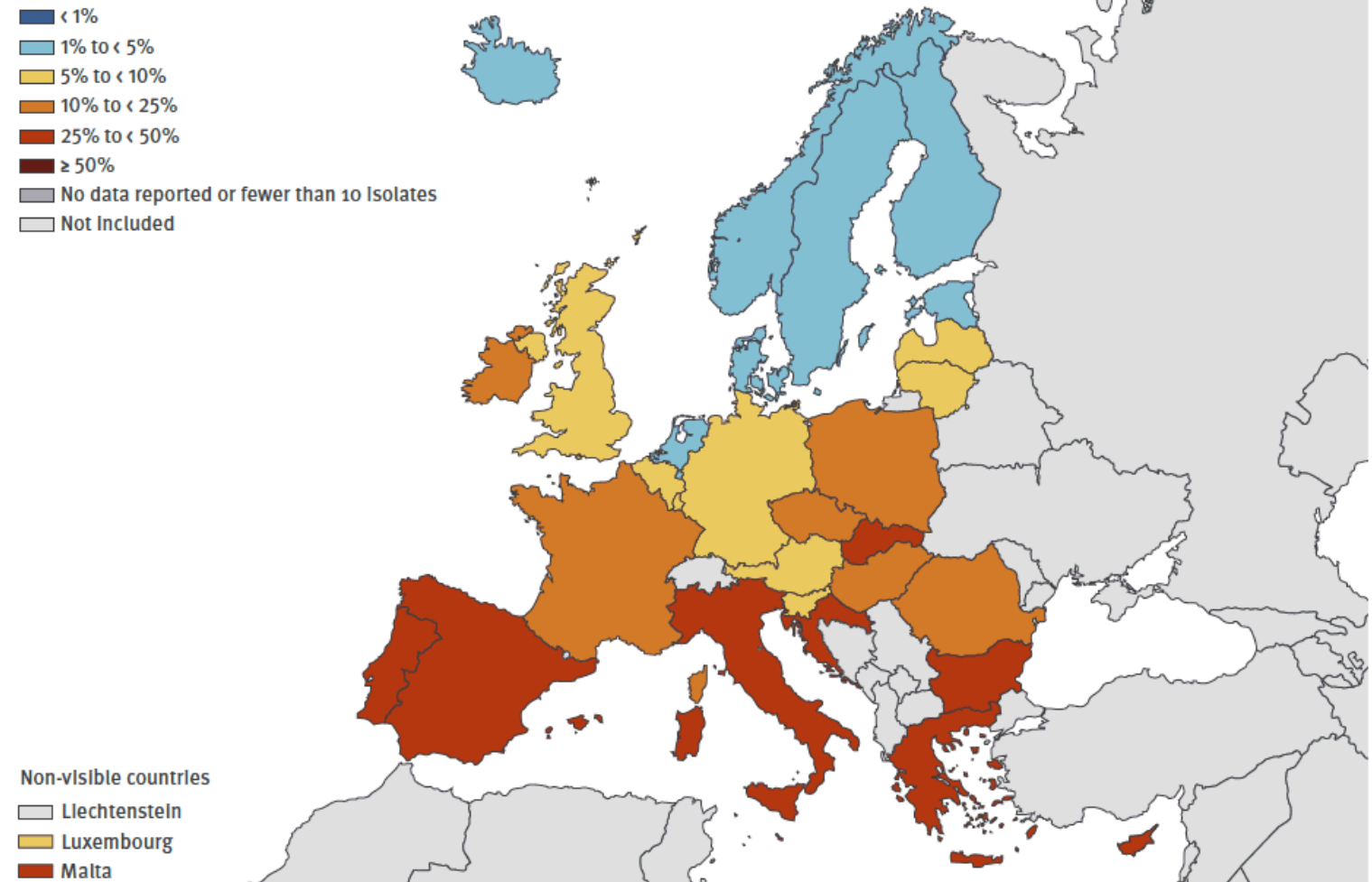


European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control. Surveillance of antimicrobial resistance in Europe
Annual report of the European Antimicrobial Resistance Surveillance Network (EARS-Net) 2017. Stockholm: ECDC; 2018.
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SURVEILLANCE REPORT

Surveillance of antimicrobial resistance in Europe 2017

Figure 3.25. *Staphylococcus aureus*. Percentage (%) of invasive isolates with resistance to meticillin (MRSA), by country, EU/EEA countries, 2017



And in the world ?



GLOBAL PRIORITY LIST OF ANTIBIOTIC-RESISTANT BACTERIA TO GUIDE RESEARCH, DISCOVERY, AND DEVELOPMENT OF NEW ANTIBIOTICS

Chair: E. Tacconelli (Infectious Diseases, DZIF Center, Tübingen University, Germany) and N. Magrini (WHO, EMP Department)

Coordinating group: Y. Carmeli, Tel Aviv University, Israel; S. Harbarth, University of Geneva, Switzerland; G. Kahlmeter, University of Uppsala, Sweden; J. Kluytmans, University Medical Center Utrecht, Netherlands; M. Mendelson, University of Cape Town, Groote Schuur Hospital, Cape Town, South Africa; C. Pulcini, University of Lorraine and Nancy University Hospital, France; N. Singh, George Washington University, USA; U. Theuretzbacher, Center for Anti-infective Agents, Austria

<http://www.who.int/medicines/publications/global-priority-list-antibiotic-resistant-bacteria/en/>
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The WHO Global Priority List...

Priority 1: CRITICAL[#]

Acinetobacter baumannii, carbapenem-resistant

Pseudomonas aeruginosa, carbapenem-resistant

*Enterobacteriaceae**, carbapenem-
cephalosporin-resistant

Priority 2: HIGH

Enterococcus faecium, vancomycin-resistant

Staphylococcus aureus, methicillin-resistant, vancomycin
intermediate and resistant

Helicobacter pylori, clarithromycin-resistant

Campylobacter, fluoroquinolone-resistant

Salmonella spp., fluoroquinolone-resistant

Neisseria gonorrhoeae, 3rd generation cephalosporin-resistant,
fluoroquinolone-resistant

Priority 3: MEDIUM

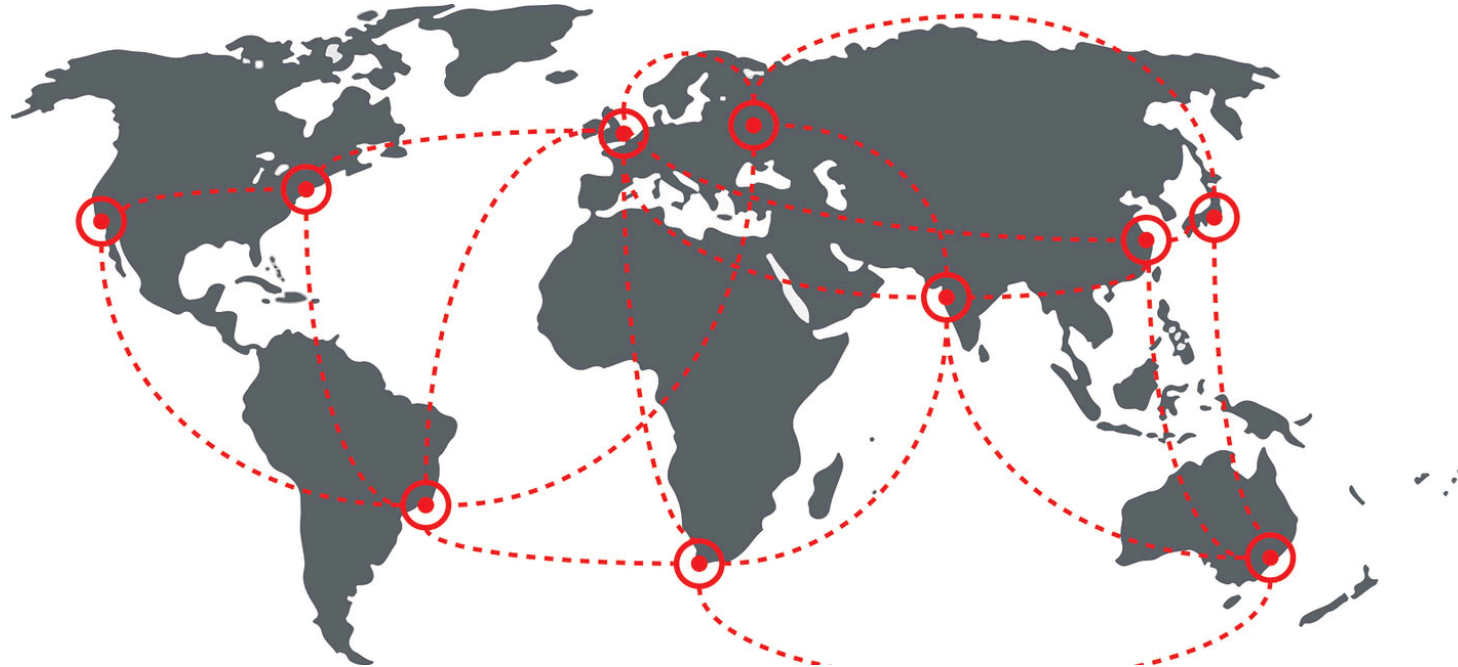
Streptococcus pneumoniae, penicillin-non-susceptible

Haemophilus influenzae, ampicillin-resistant

Shigella spp., fluoroquinolone-resistant

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The current epidemiological situation... World and longitudinal view

Open Forum Infectious Diseases

SUPPLEMENT ARTICLE



Twenty-Year Trends in Antimicrobial Susceptibilities Among *Staphylococcus aureus* From the SENTRY Antimicrobial Surveillance Program

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- 191 460 clinical *S. aureus* isolates
- 427 centers in 45 countries
- from 1997 to 2016 ...
- bacteremia, pneumonia in hospitalized patients, urinary tract infection, and skin and skin structure infection....
- MRSA affect all ages but elderly are at higher risk...

Table 1. Methicillin Resistance by Specimen Source, Health Care Association, and Age (SENTRY Program, 1997–2016)

Variable	No. Tested	% MRSA
Specimen source		
BSI	68 564	37.1
PIHP	34 029	45.6
SSSI	70 757	41.0
UTI	2916	51.9
Health care association		
Community onset	86 366	36.8
Nosocomial	46 086	47.0
Age, y		
≤10	19 109	37.2
11–20	10 425	33.9
21–30	13 048	37.7
31–40	15 428	38.1
41–50	21 690	38.7
51–60	27 120	40.2
61–70	27 174	41.5
71–80	24 502	45.1
>80	17 371	48.0

Abbreviations: BSI, bloodstream infection; MRSA, methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*; PIHP, pneumonia in hospitalized patients; SSSI, skin and skin structure infection; UTI, urinary tract infection; y, years.

The current epidemiological situation... World view

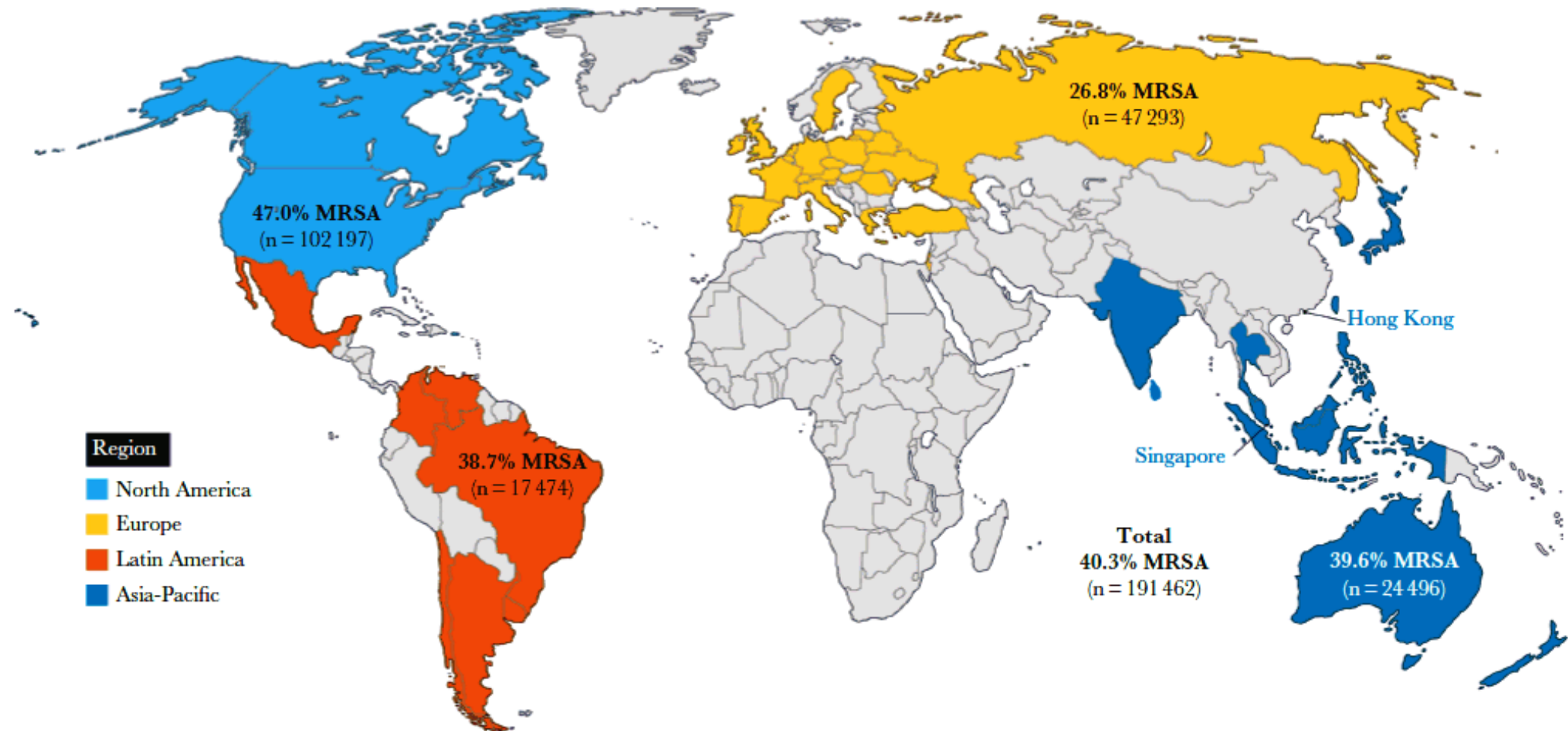
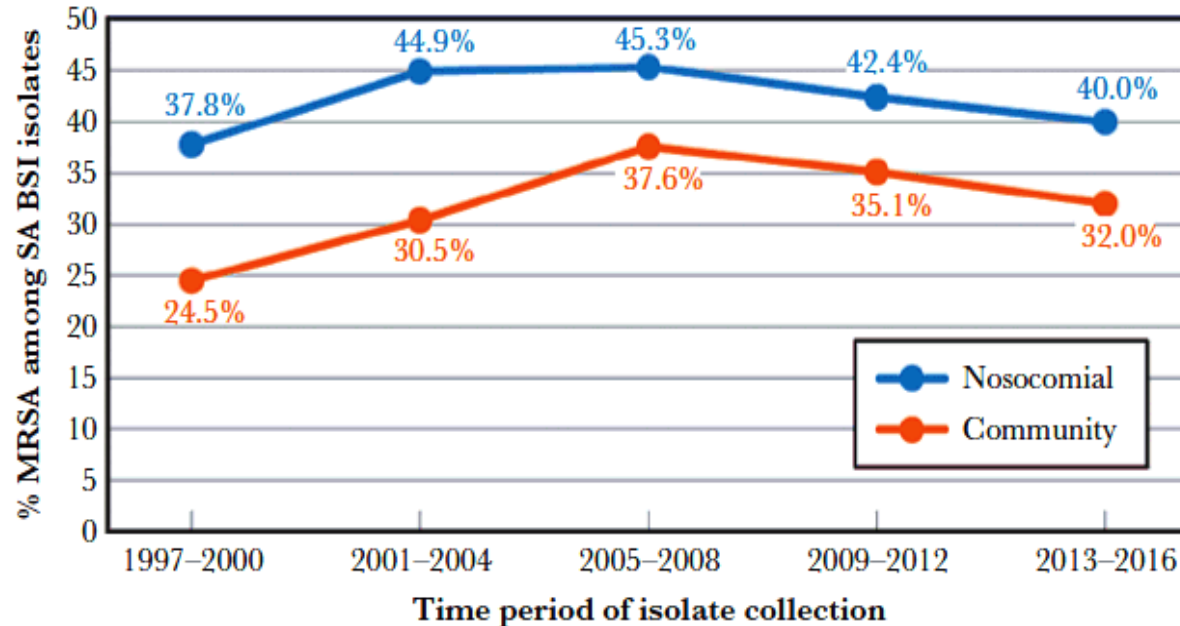


Figure 1. Percent MRSA by region. Abbreviation: MRSA, methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*.

The current epidemiological situation... time effect and MIC ranges

Not so nice an evolution ...



SENTRY Program 20-year trends in percentage of *Staphylococcus aureus* BSI isolates that are MRSA.

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And we start seeing vancomycin reduced susceptibility (MIC ≥ 2 mg/L / n=5375)

Antimicrobial Agent	No. of Isolates	MIC ₉₀	MIC Range	EUCAST R breakpoint
Ceftaroline	1332	2	0.015-2	>2
Dalbavancin	3318	0.12	≤ 0.03 ->0.25	>0.125
Daptomycin	3479	1	≤ 0.12 -4	>1
Delafloxacin	103	1	≤ 0.004 ->1	--
Levofloxacin	4549	>4	≤ 0.5 ->4	>1
Linezolid	5093	2	≤ 0.25 ->8	>4
Oritavancin	1024	0.12	≤ 0.008 -0.5	>0.125
Quinupristin-dalfopristin	4506	1	≤ 0.5 ->2	>2
Tedizolid	190	0.25	0.03-0.25	>0.5
Teicoplanin	5374	4	2->16	>2
Telavancin	867	0.06	≤ 0.015 -0.12	>0.125
Tigecycline	3497	0.5	≤ 0.12 -1	>0.5

The current epidemiological situation... Some hope from the US ?



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Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (*MMWR*)

Vital Signs: Epidemiology and Recent Trends in Methicillin-Resistant and in Methicillin-Susceptible *Staphylococcus aureus* Bloodstream Infections — United States

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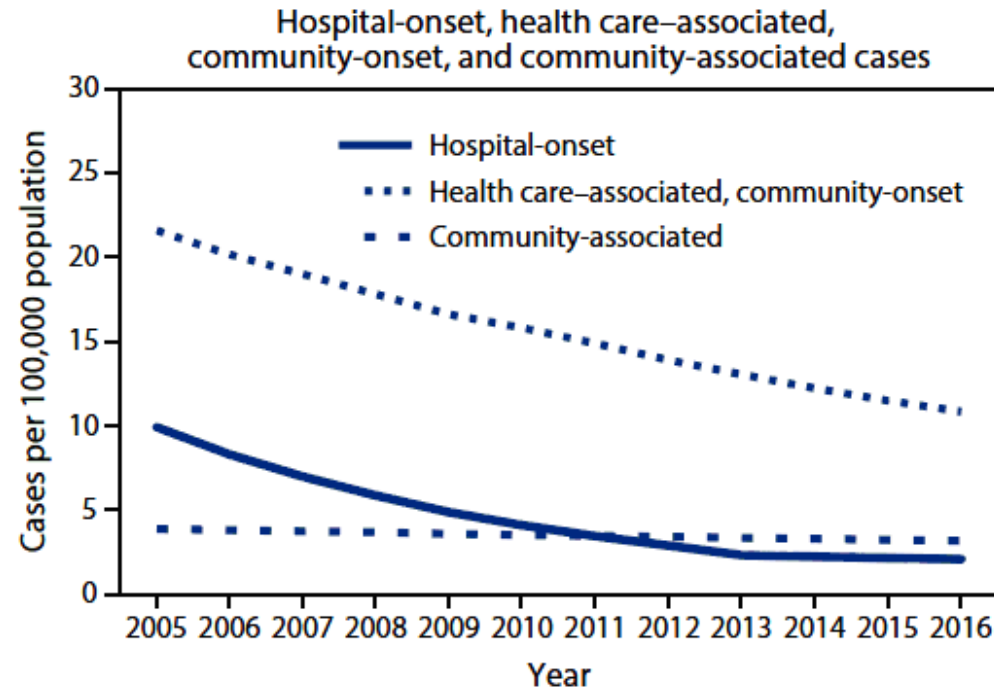
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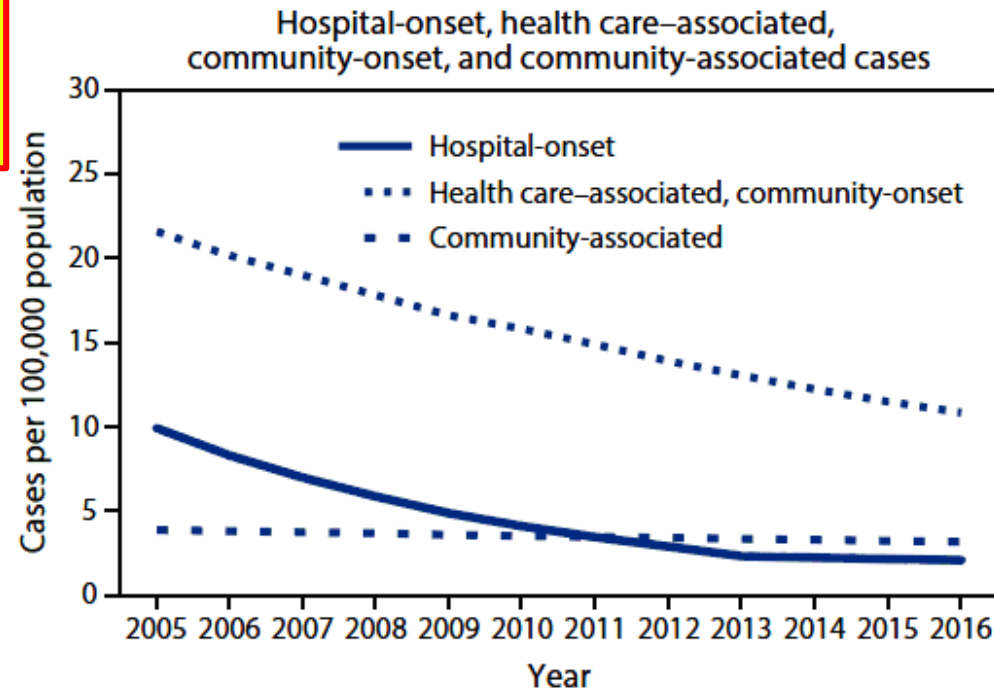
Conclusions and Implications for Public Health Practice:

Despite reductions in incidence of MRSA bloodstream infections since 2005, *S. aureus* infections account for significant morbidity and mortality in the United States.

Ring still the bell !



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The current epidemiological situation... Hope also in Europe ?

Accepted Manuscript

Decrease of methicillin resistance in *Staphylococcus aureus* in nosocomial infections in Germany – a prospective analysis over 10 years

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C. Geffers , P. Gastmeier , C. Remschmidt

Kramer et al. J Infect 2019;78:215-219 - Epub 2019 Jan 15 - PMID: [30658080](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/30658080/)



Figure 1. Time trend for percentage of nosocomial methicillin resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) infections. Data from the German national nosocomial infection surveillance system (KISS), 2007-2016.

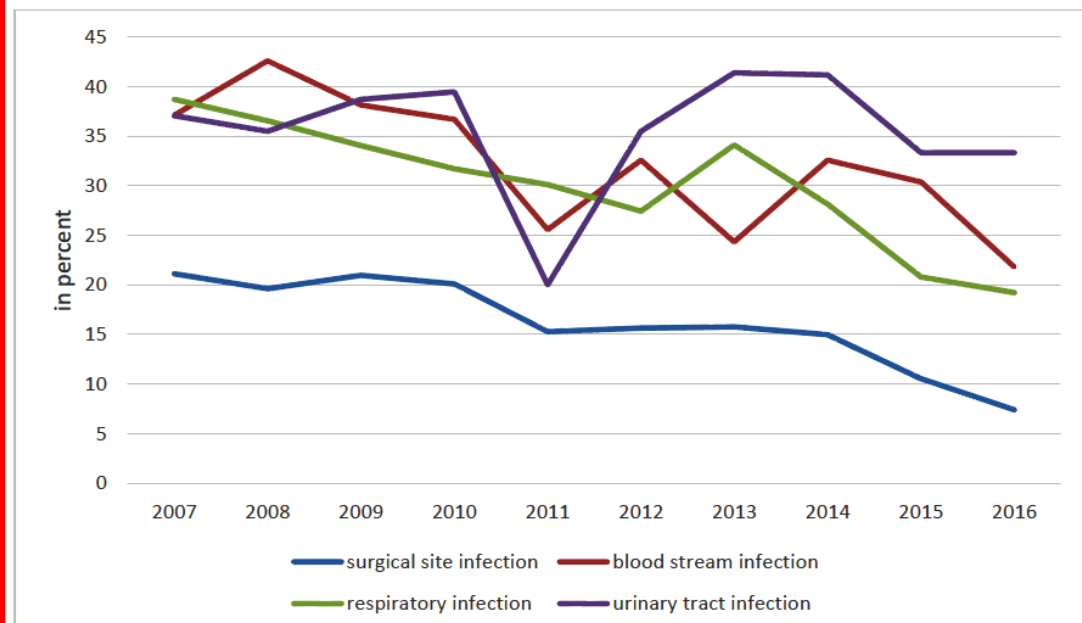
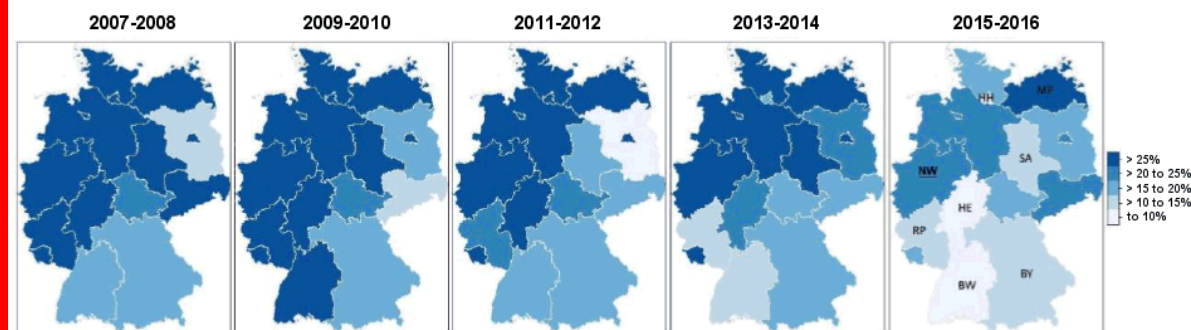


Figure 3. Distribution of the proportion of methicillin resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) infections among German federal states according to data from the German national nosocomial infection surveillance system (KISS) 2007-2016. (NW = North Rhine Westphalia, reference, RP = Rhineland Palatinate, BW = Baden Württemberg, BY = Bavaria, HE = Hesse, SA = Saxony Anhalt, HH = Hamburg, MP = Mecklenburg Western Pomerania)



Conclusions

- MRSA still remain a relevant part of healthcare associated infections
- A significant decrease of its proportion occurred over the past 10 years
- Reasons: changes in legislation, surveillance and implementation of infection prevention measures, and biological changes.

The current epidemiological situation... Blurring situation in Europe ?

RESEARCH ARTICLE

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Map of London boroughs showing catchment areas for the hospital cohort. Shown in red from left to right, catchment areas for the hospital cohort were south of the river Thames and included the Southwark, Lambeth, and Lewisham boroughs.

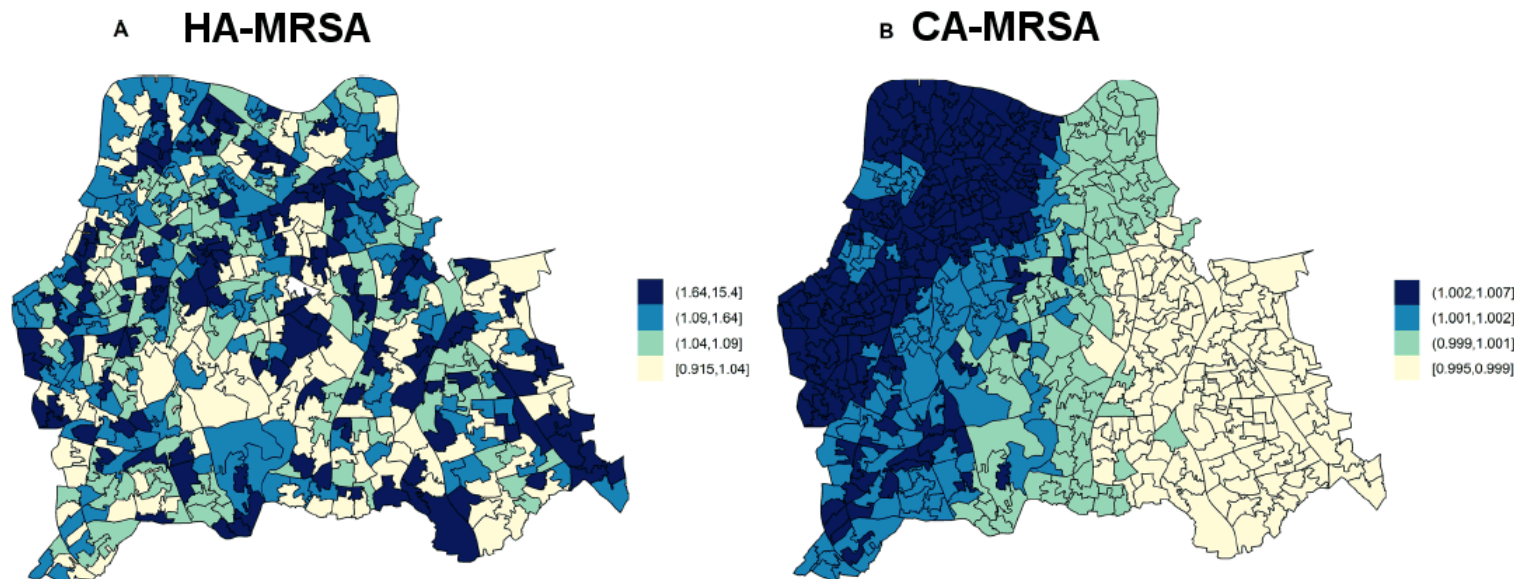


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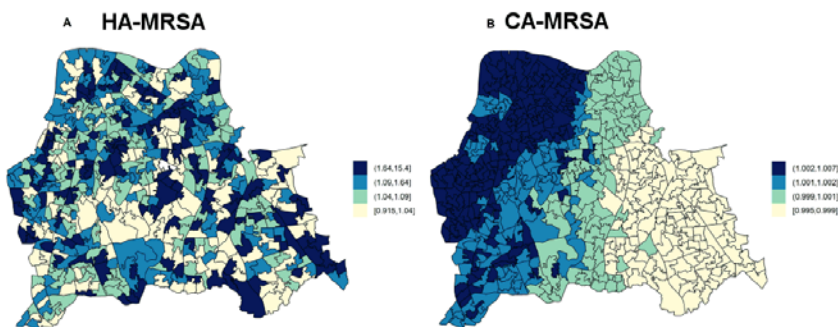


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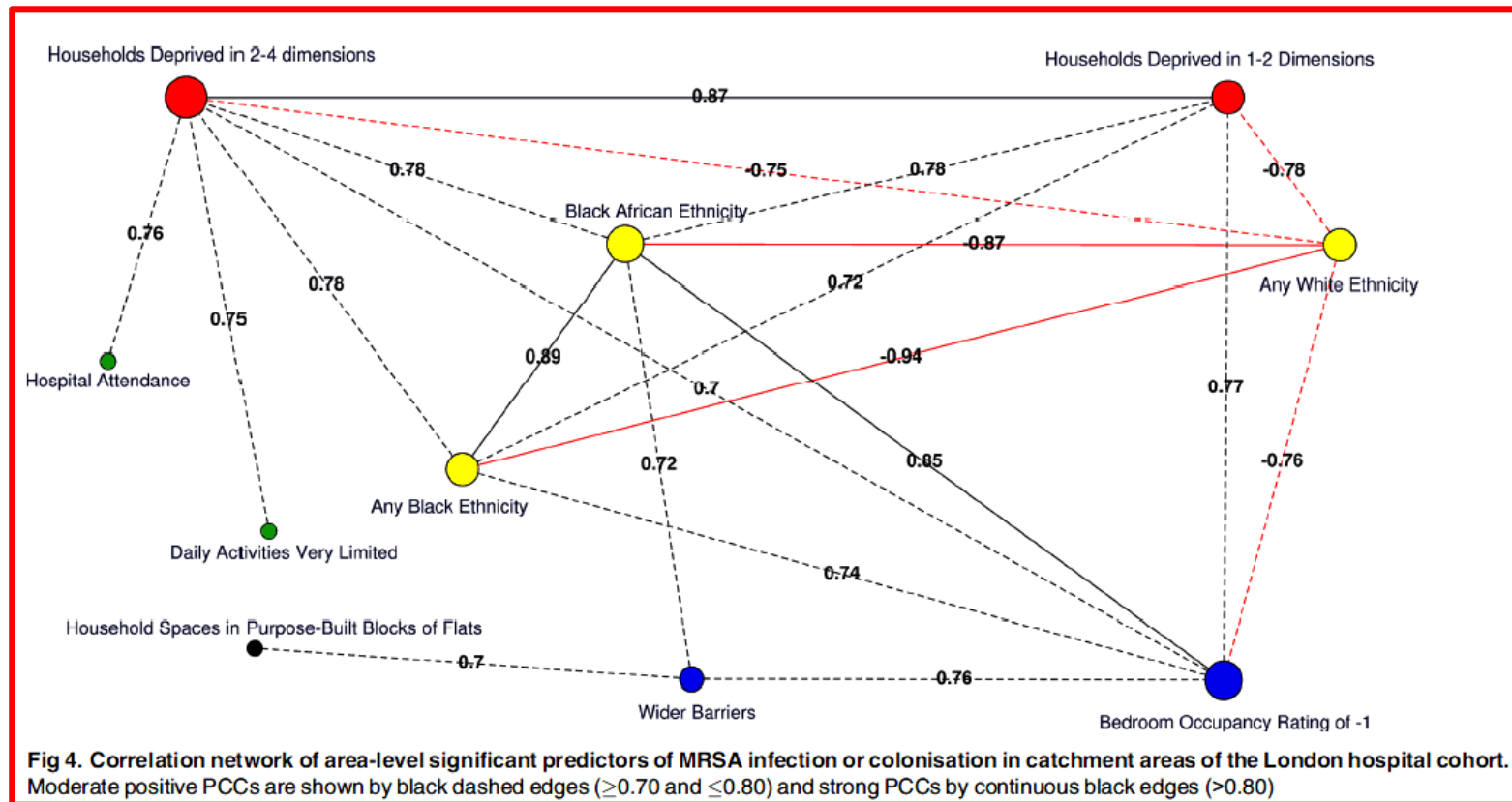


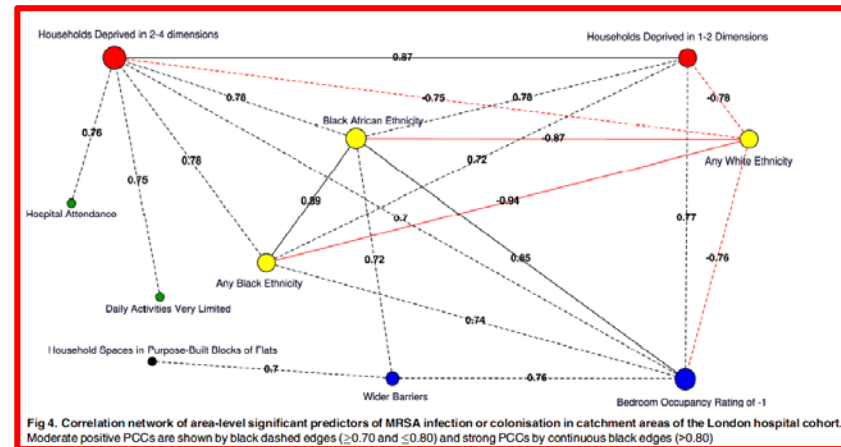
Fig 4. Correlation network of area-level significant predictors of MRSA infection or colonisation in catchment areas of the London hospital cohort. Moderate positive PCCs are shown by black dashed edges (≥ 0.70 and ≤ 0.80) and strong PCCs by continuous black edges (> 0.80)

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Main messages:

- the predominant transmission niches for HA- and CA-MRSA are specific to each genetic classification.
 - HA-MRSA lineages originate from hospitals
 - CA-MRSA strains are spreading in the community (from the most deprived areas)
- The extent to which CA-MRSA is transmitting within health care premises is unknown [*from this study*],
BUT
in some countries, CA-MRSA is increasingly implicated in nosocomial infections,^{1,2} has begun to spread within hospitals¹ due to repeated community admissions.³

Future reviews of UK hospital admission screening policies for MRSA should consider the growing threat of importation of CA-MRSA lineages into hospitals.

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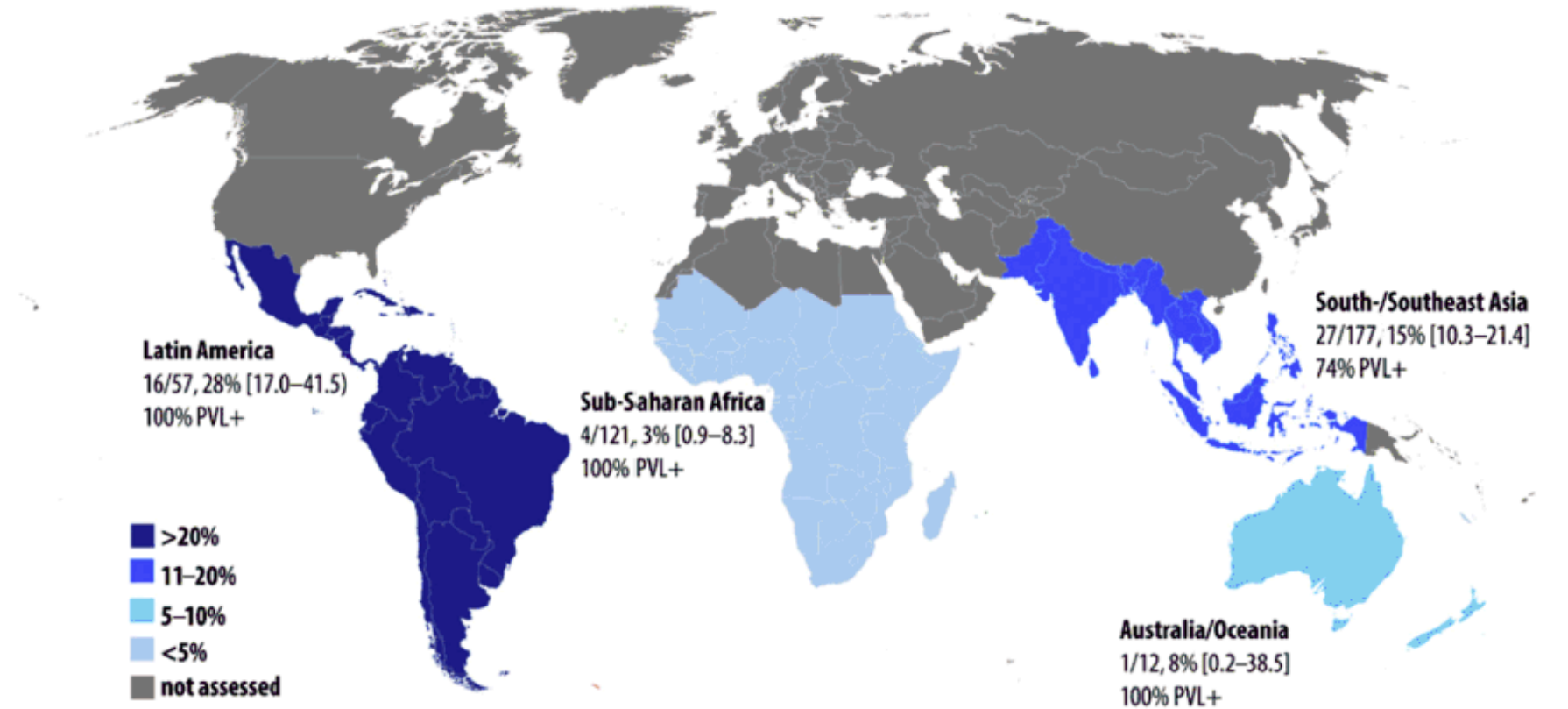


Fig. 1. Resistance to methicillin in *Staphylococcus aureus* imported to Europe, by region of travel destination, StaphTrav Network 2011–2016. Displayed and coded in blue are – for destinations with at least ten *S. aureus* submissions – prevalence estimates of methicillin-resistance (95% confidence interval) among *S. aureus* imported from a geographic region together with estimates of Pantone–Valentine leucocidin (PVL) -positive isolates among methicillin-resistant *S. aureus*. Not displayed are estimates for regions with less than ten *S. aureus* submitted, i.e. West Asia (2/3, 67% (9.4–99.2), 100% PVL+) and North Africa (1/4, 25% (0.6–80.6), 100% PVL+). Chi-squared-test with five degrees of freedom for H0: 'The proportion of methicillin-resistant *S. aureus* is equally distributed over regions of travel destination.' gives $p < 0.001$.

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Conclusions

- Long-distance travel is an important driver for the spread of epidemic CA-MRSA
- Implementation of infection control and prevention measures is important when travelers with skin infections have contact to the health-care system.
- Caution should be exerted for their household contacts, because these are commonly affected by secondary SSTI.

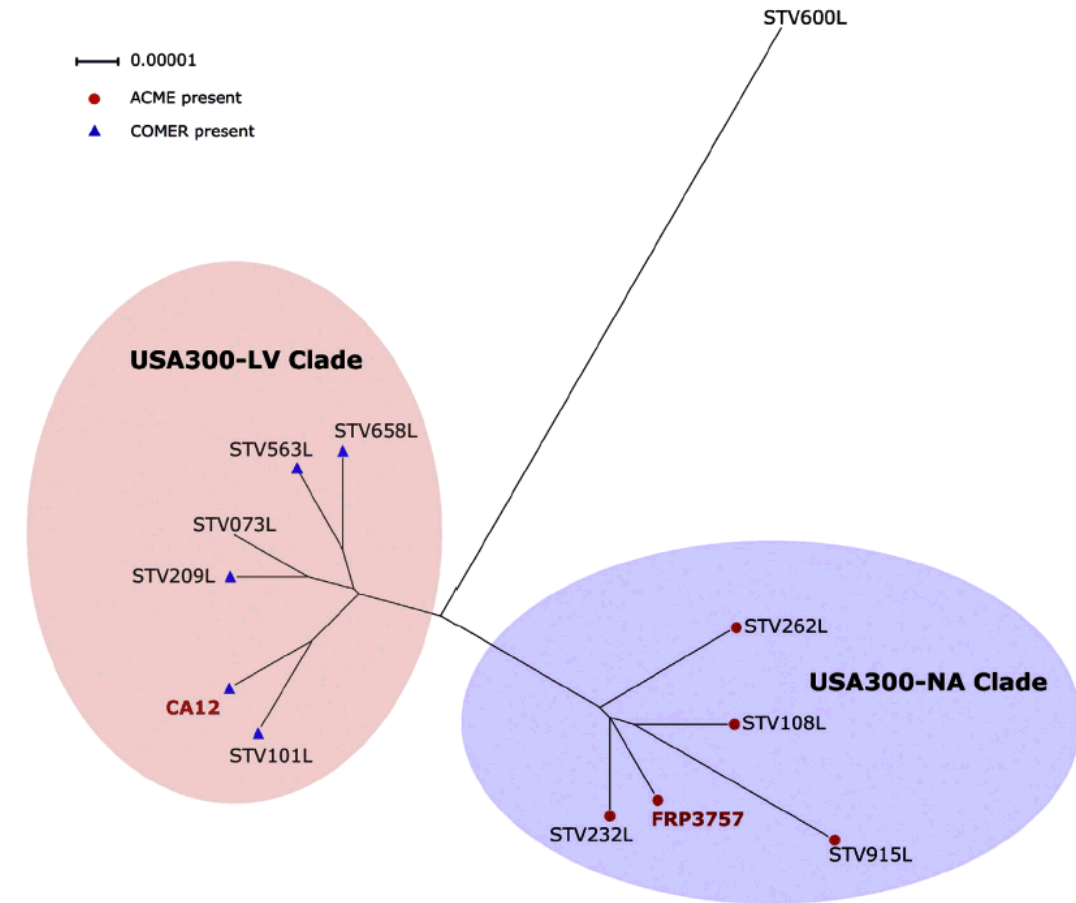


Fig. 3. Relatedness of methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) multi-locus sequence type 8 imported to Europe, 2011–2016 ($n = 10$). Unrooted maximum likelihood tree based on allelic differences in the core genome (core genome multi-locus sequence typing). Imported isolates of community-associated MRSA MLST ST8/spa t008 belong to two major clades: USA300-North American Clade (USA300-NA), shaded in blue, and USA300-Latin American Variant (USA300-LV), shaded in red. Reference sequences for North and South American ST8-USA300 MRSA are FRP3757 [18] and CA12 [19], respectively, and marked in red and bold. Presence of the copper and mercury resistance (COMER) mobile element typically found in USA300 of the Latin American Variant [20] is marked by blue triangles. Presence of the arginine catabolic mobile element (ACME), which is the hallmark of the North American USA300 [20], is marked by red circles. The STV073L isolate, lacking both, COMER and ACME, was acquired in South Sudan, whereas the remaining isolates in the USA300-LV clade were imported from Cuba ($n = 2$) and Colombia ($n = 2$).

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MRSA colonization and infection among persons with occupational livestock exposure in Europe: Prevalence, preventive options and evidence



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1. How frequent are LA-MRSA infections among persons with livestock contact ?

Table 1

Prevalence of nasal colonization with MRSA among personnel with livestock contact in European countries.

Study	Country	Exposed to	Occupation	No. of MRSA carriers/participants (%)	Could be...
Gilbert et al. (2012)	Netherlands	Pigs	Slaughterhouse personnel	11/341 (3.2%)	as low as 3.2 % ... in the Netherlands ...
Van Cleef et al. (2010a)	Netherlands	Pigs	Slaughterhouse personnel	14/249 (5.6%)	
Morcillo et al. (2011)	Spain	Pigs	Slaughterhouse personnel	2/25 (8%)	
Mulders et al. (2010)	Netherlands	Poultry	Slaughterhouse personnel	46/466 (5.6%)	
Bisdorff et al. (2012)	Germany	Diverse	"Livestock contact"	46/190 (24.2%)	
Vandendriessche et al. (2013)	Belgium	Diverse	Farmer	36/138 (26.1%)	but as high as 86% ... in Germany ...
Van Cleef et al. (2010b)	Netherlands	Diverse	Farmer	13/49 (26.5%)	
Van Den Broek et al. (2009)	Netherlands	Pigs	Farmer ^a	33/139 (23.7%)	
Cuny et al. (2009)	Germany	Pigs	Farmer	97/113 (85.8%)	
Köck et al. (2012)	Germany	Pigs	Farmer	27/35 (77%)	
Dahms et al. (2014)	Germany	Pigs	Farmer	20/36 (56%)	UK is also quite low ... but they are different, are they not ?
Van Cleef et al. (2014)	Netherlands	Pigs	Farmer	42/110 (38.2%)	
Graveland et al. (2011)	Netherlands	Cattle	Farmer	19/51 (37.3%)	
Antoci et al. (2013)	Italy	Cattle	Farmer	40/113 (35.4%)	
Dahms et al. (2014)	Germany	Cattle	Farmer	0/25 (0%)	
Graveland et al. (2010)	Netherlands	Veal calves	Farmer	41/131 (31.3%)	
Geenen et al. (2013)	Netherlands	Poultry	Farmer	5/56 (8.9%)	
Dahms et al. (2014)	Germany	Poultry	Farmer	0/17 (0%)	
Richter et al. (2012)	Germany	Turkeys	Farmer	22/59 (37.3%)	
Wulf et al. (2006)	Netherlands	Diverse	Veterinarian	7/179 (3.9%)	
Wulf et al. (2008b)	Denmark	Diverse	Veterinarian	34/272 (12.5%)	
Garcia-Graells et al. (2012)	Belgium and Denmark	Diverse	Veterinarian	16/289 (5.5%)	
Paterson et al. (2013)	UK	Cattle	Veterinarian	8/307 (2.6%)	
Verkade et al. (2013)	Netherlands	Pigs, cattle	Veterinarian	60/137 (43.8%)	
Cuny et al. (2009)	Germany	Pigs	Veterinarian	22/49 (45%)	

^a from MRSA positive farms.

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2. But do they get infections ?

Table 2

Reports on infections associated with LA-MRSA among persons with livestock contact.

Publication	Type of infection (clonal information)	Country	Type of livestock exposure	Treatment (outcome)
Huijsdens et al. (2006)	Mastitis (CC398, t108)	Netherlands	Wife of pig farmer	Teicoplanin (recovered)
Declercq et al. (2008)	Complicated wound infection after pig bite (CC398, t011/t108)	Belgium	Pork keeper	Local treatment plus vancomycin and linezolid (recovered)
Ruhlmann et al. (2008)	Wound infection/septic arthritis after knee surgery complicated by renal micro-abscesses; ear lobe infection (CC398, t034)	Denmark	Pig farm workers	Vancomycin/penicillin (later linezolid, ciprofloxacin, penicillin) for wound infection (recovered); local treatment for ear lobe (recovered)
Pan et al. (2009)	Cellulitis, pyomyositis, pelvic abscesses (CC398, t899)	Italy	Pig farmer	Vancomycin + rifampicin (improved)
Aspiroz et al. (2010)	Skin lesion (CC398, t011)	Spain	Girl living close to pig farm, where parents worked	Topical treatment with mupirocin ointment (recovered)
Hartmeyer et al. (2010)	Pressure ulcer and pneumonia of newborn (CC398, t034)	Denmark	Pig farmer and newborn within same family	Vancomycin to treat pneumonia (recovered)
Soavi et al. (2010)	Necrotizing fasciitis (CC398, t899)	Italy	52-year old dairy cattle farmer	Teicoplanin, clindamycin, linezolid (recovered)
Lozano et al. (2011a)	Skin lesion, psoriasis superinfection (CC398, t011, t108)	Spain	Pig farmer	Antiseptic, metilprednisole solution and betametasone cream, fusidic acid for cutaneous lesions, mupirocin nasal ointment (improved)
Lozano et al. (2011c)	Thoracic empyema (CC398, t011)	Spain	79-year old man with COPD living close to pig farm and working there part-time	Linezolid (fatal)
Lozano et al. (2011b)	Skin lesions (CC398, t1451)	Spain	Pig farmer	Fusidic acid and mupirocin nasal ointment (improved)
Omland and Hoffmann (2012)	Impetigo and tonsillitis (CC398)	Denmark	Farmers	Information not provided
Berning et al. (2015)	Joint infection followed by endocarditis and bacteremia, pneumonia (CC398, t011/t2576)	Germany	Immunocompromised patients from pig farming families	Daptomycin/fosfomycin, Linezolid (both fatal)

Yes, they got infections,...

and most were successfully treated, ...

but for 2 cases...

The current epidemiological situation... animals again ...



RESEARCH ARTICLE
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Drivers and Dynamics of Methicillin-Resistant Livestock-Associated *Staphylococcus aureus* CC398 in Pigs and Humans in Denmark

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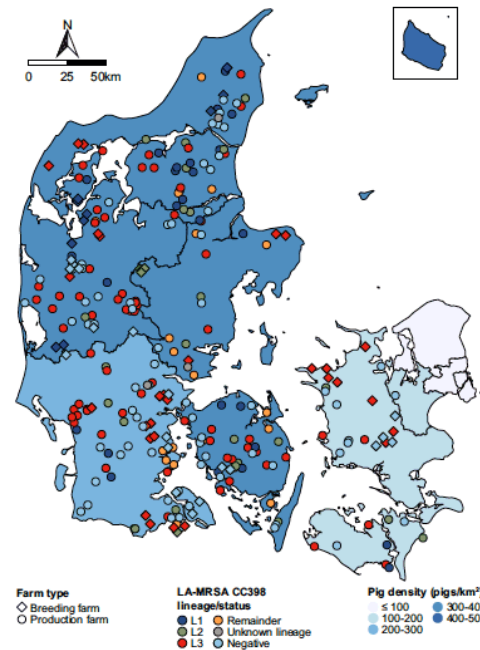


FIG 4 Spatial distribution of pig farms from the 2014 survey. Each farm was placed randomly within a 5-km radius of the exact CHR address to protect anonymity. The pig density per km² is shown for each province. Abbreviations: LA-MRSA, livestock-associated methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*; CC, clonal complex; L1, lineage 1; L2, lineage 2; L3, lineage 3. The administrative boundaries are from EuroGeographics.

Key messages:

- LA-MRSA CC398 is resistant to nearly all β -lactams and several non- β -lactam antimicrobials.
- An important cause of human infections in countries with previously low levels of MRSA, (Netherlands, Denmark).
- important drivers for rapid spread:
 - pig movements between farms
 - resistance to specific antibiotics (aminoglycosides [*aadD* and *aadE*; *str*], lincosamides [*lnu(B)*], quinolones [*gyrA*], tetracyclines [*tetM*]), and heavy metals (cadmium/zinc [*cztC*])

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Research paper

Molecular epidemiology and antibiotic resistance of methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* circulating in the Russian Federation



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Hospital acquired MRSA

- 83.1% CC8 isolates (ST8 + ST239) (CC5: 12.2%; CC22: 1.2%)
- livestock-associated MRSA (clusters CC398 and CC97) detected in humans !
- high resistance: ciprofloxacin, gentamicin, and chloramphenicol (76%–92%),
- moderate resistance: tetracycline, erythromycin, clindamycin, and rifampicin (38%–54%)
- low resistance: fusidic acid, co-trimoxazole, mupirocin, and daptomycin (2%–7%)
- **26% with vancomycin MIC= 2 mg/L !**
- **CC5 isolates show ceftaroline MIC=2 mg/L !**
- all isolates susceptible to linezolid and tigecycline.
- 2053 healthy persons screened (nasal carriage): **21% positive !**
13 cases CA-MRSA (ST22 - SCCmec types IVa and IVc, agr type I, tst-positive) - similar to the EMRSA-15/Middle Eastern variant (Gaza strain).

The current epidemiological situation... South America ...

Local Diversification of Methicillin-Resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* ST239 in South America After Its Rapid Worldwide Dissemination

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Background:

- Multilocus sequence type ST 239 (cassette chromosome type III [SCCmecIII]) is one of the most successful HA-MRSA lineages.
- ST239 lineage has long been an emerging clone in Europe and Asia...
- Heteroresistance to vancomycin (hVISA) has recently been detected in ST239 isolates...

What was seen:

- ST239 began to spread in South America and Brazil in approximately 1988.
- Phylogenomic analyses suggest rapid initial global radiation, with subsequent local spread and adaptation in multiple different geographic locations....

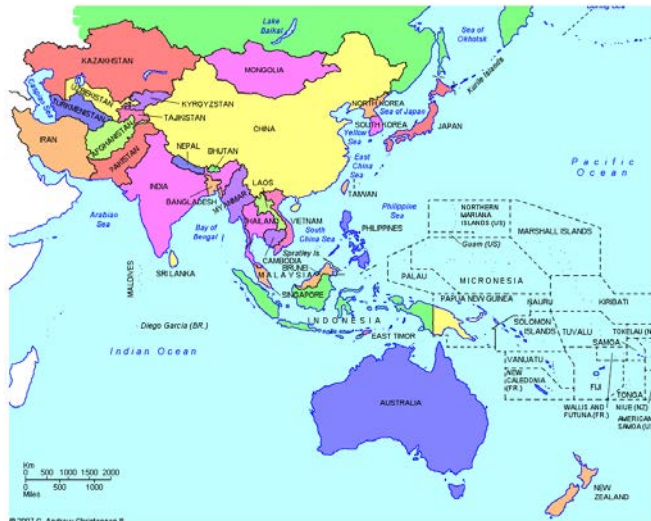
What is the risk ...

- Most ST239 isolates harbor the *ardA* gene, ... which may have improved its ability to acquire multiple resistance genes and distinct virulence-associated genes in each local context.

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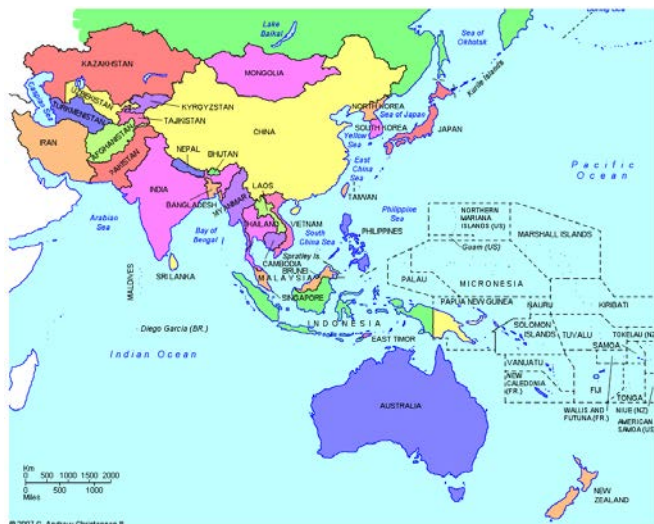


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South Korea									
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Conclusions

- CA-MRSA carriage is widespread in the Asia-Pacific region and poses a clear health threat with a potentially large health care cost.
- We urge health authorities, especially those from developing countries, to prioritize the control of CA-MRSA through community action plans and multilevel antibiotic stewardship

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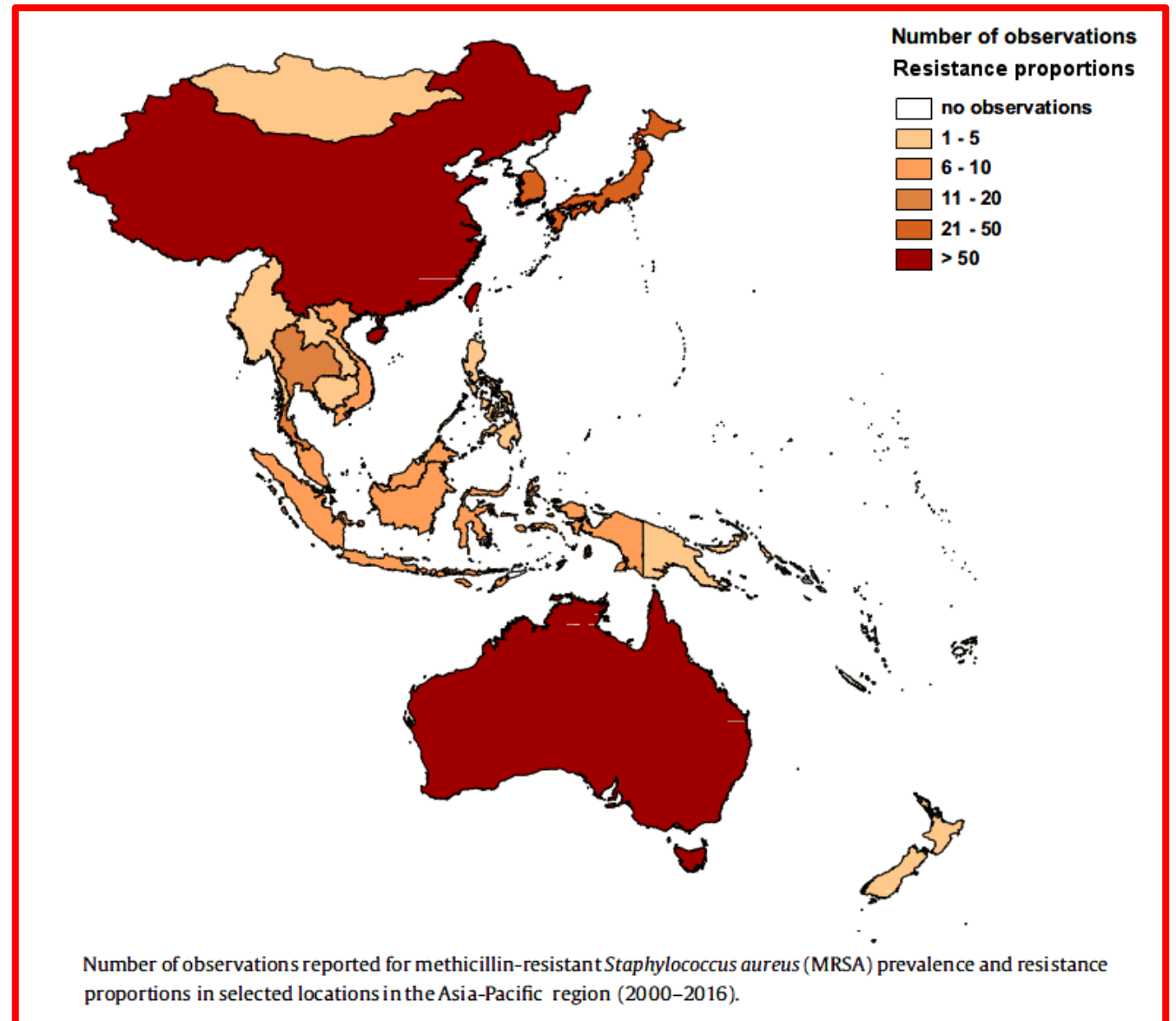
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Conclusions:

- Prevalence of MRSA infections in the Asia-Pacific region is comparable with what is reported in other regions.
- Greater influence of country income status and the sample population characteristics...
- MRSA prevalence and resistance must be analyzed separately as these are two distinct metrics.

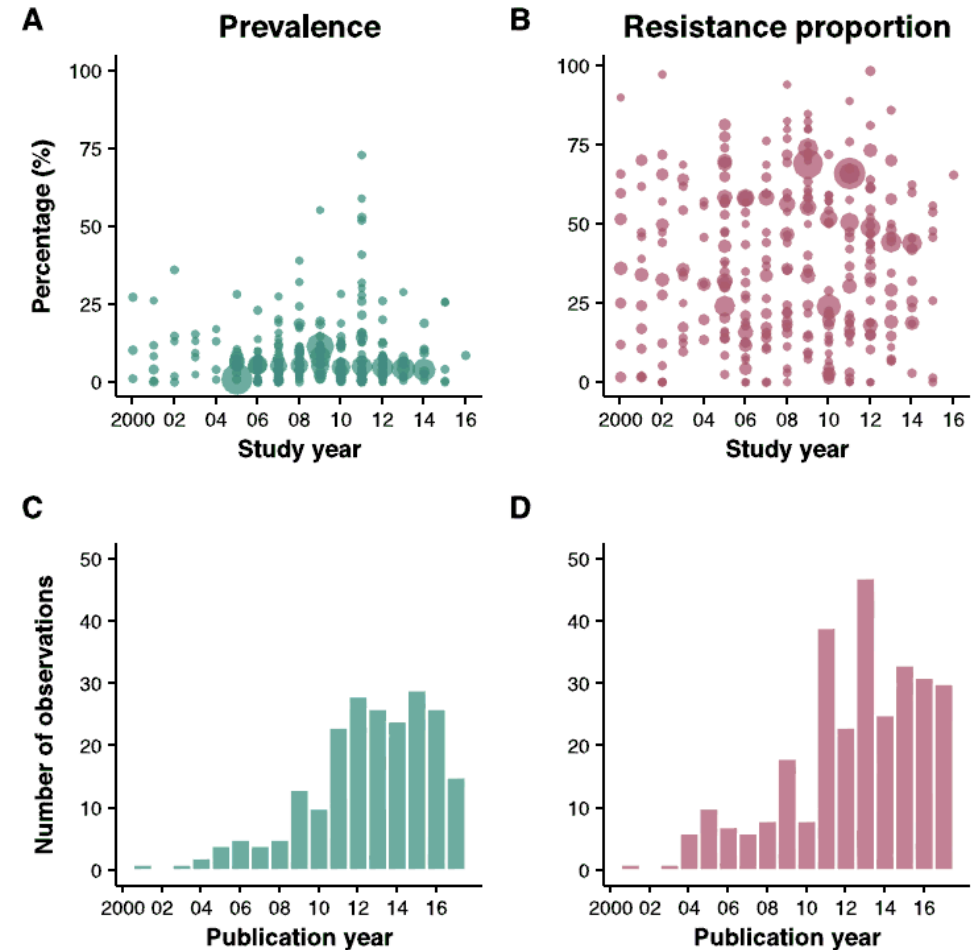


Fig. 3. Methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) prevalence and resistance proportions reported in Asia-Pacific by year of study and the number of observations or data points by year of publication. (A) MRSA prevalence, defined as the proportion of MRSA among all tested samples, reported in selected countries between the years 2000 and 2016. For studies that report prevalence for more than one year, the midpoint of the study is reported as the study year. Bubble sizes reflect the study sample size for each observation. (B) MRSA resistance proportion, defined as the proportion of MRSA among all *S. aureus* isolates, reported in selected countries between the years 2000 and 2016. For studies that report the proportion for more than one year, the midpoint of the study is reported as the study year. Bubble sizes reflect the study sample size for each observation. (C) Number of observations or data points of MRSA prevalence in selected countries in 2000–2017. (D) Number of observations or data points of MRSA resistance proportions in selected countries in 2000–2017.

2. Risks



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But what are the risks ... for all invasive infections in early evaluations

MAJOR ARTICLE

Population-Based Study of the Epidemiology of and the Risk Factors for Invasive *Staphylococcus aureus* Infections

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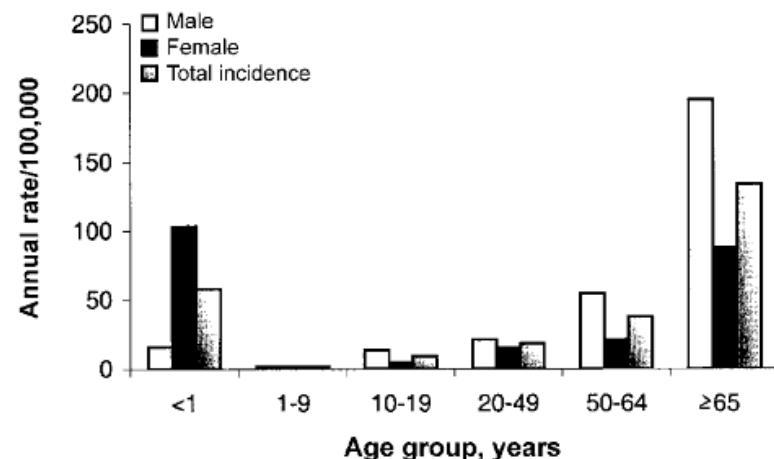


Figure 2. Age-specific incidence of invasive *Staphylococcus aureus* infections in Calgary, Canada (May 1999 to April 2000). Data are annual incidence per 100,000 population

2. underlying conditions

Table 1. Risk of invasive *Staphylococcus aureus* infection, associated with selected underlying conditions, in adults ≥ 20 years old.

Underlying condition	No. of patients with ISA infection (n = 226)	Annual incidence, per 100,000	Relative risk (95% confidence interval)	P
Hemodialysis	24	7692	257.2 (161.0–393.6)	<.001
Peritoneal dialysis	3	4918	150.0 (30.5–441.1)	<.001
Human-immunodeficiency-virus infection	4	778	23.7 (6.4–61.4)	<.001
Solid organ transplantation	3	683	20.7 (4.2–61.3)	<.001
Heart disease	114	362	20.6 (15.8–27.0)	<.001
Cancer	47	348	12.9 (9.1–17.8)	<.001
Illicit intravenous drug use	13	321	10.1 (5.3–17.7)	<.001
Alcohol abuse	31	241	8.2 (5.4–12.0)	<.001
Diabetes mellitus	48	192	7.0 (5.0–9.7)	<.001
Stroke	16	200	6.4 (3.6–10.6)	<.001
Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease	26	120	3.9 (2.5–5.9)	<.001
Systemic lupus erythematosus	2	80	2.4 (0.3–8.7)	.3
Rheumatoid arthritis	5	74	2.2 (0.7–5.3)	.1

NOTE. ISA, invasive *Staphylococcus aureus*.

But what are the risks as seen today at the Mayo Clinic



Patient Care & Health Information > Diseases & Conditions

MRSA infection

<https://www.mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions/mrsa/symptoms-causes/syc-20375336>

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Risk factors

Because hospital and community strains of MRSA generally occur in different settings, the risk factors for the two strains differ.

Risk factors for HA-MRSA

- **Being hospitalized.** MRSA remains a concern in hospitals, where it can attack those most vulnerable — older adults and people with weakened immune systems.
- **Having an invasive medical device.** Medical tubing — such as intravenous lines or urinary catheters — can provide a pathway for MRSA to travel into your body.
- **Residing in a long-term care facility.** MRSA is prevalent in nursing homes. Carriers of MRSA have the ability to spread it, even if they're not sick themselves.

Risk factors for CA-MRSA

- **Participating in contact sports.** MRSA can spread easily through cuts and abrasions and skin-to-skin contact.
- **Living in crowded or unsanitary conditions.** Outbreaks of MRSA have occurred in military training camps, child care centers and jails.
- **Men having sex with men.** Homosexual men have a higher risk of developing MRSA infections.
- **Using intravenous drugs.** People who inject drugs are an estimated 16.3 times more likely to develop invasive MRSA infections than others.

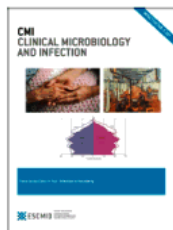
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Table 3

Predictors of MRSA and P.aeruginosa pneumonia (45)

MRSA pneumonia

Positive association

Male gender

Age > 74

Diabetes mellitus

COPD

Recent nursing home or hospital stay

Recent exposure to fluoroquinolones or antibiotics treating Gram-positive pathogens

Severe pneumonia

Negative association

Complicated diabetes mellitus

Development of a scoring system for Community-Onset MRSA

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THE METHICILLIN-RESISTANT *STAPHYLOCOCCUS AUREUS* -PREDICTIVE SCORING SYSTEM FOR COMMUNITY-ONSET *STAPHYLOCOCCUS AUREUS* BACTEREMIA

	<i>Beta</i>	<i>aOR</i> (95% <i>CI</i>)	<i>p</i>	<i>Points</i>	
Age ≥65 years	0.456	1.577 (1.263–1.970)	<0.001		
Underlying illness					
Hematologic disease	−0.809	0.445 (0.234–0.847)	0.014	✓	−1.0
Primary site of infection					
BJI	−0.431	0.650 (0.481–0.878)	0.005		
SSTI	−0.562	0.570 (0.410–0.793)	0.001		
Endovascular	−0.786	0.456 (0.263–0.790)	0.005	✓	−1.0
Epidemiological characteristics					
Hospitalization or surgery ^a	0.718	2.050 (1.640–2.563)	<0.001	✓	+0.5
Long-term facility ^a	0.518	1.679 (1.297–2.173)	<0.001		
Dialysis ^a	0.389	1.475 (1.075–2.024)	0.016		
Previous isolation of MRSA ^b	1.494	4.456 (2.974–6.677)	<0.001	✓	+1.5

^aWithin past 1 year.

^bWithin 6 months.

✓, factors included in the scoring system; aOR, adjusted odds ratio; CI, confidence interval.

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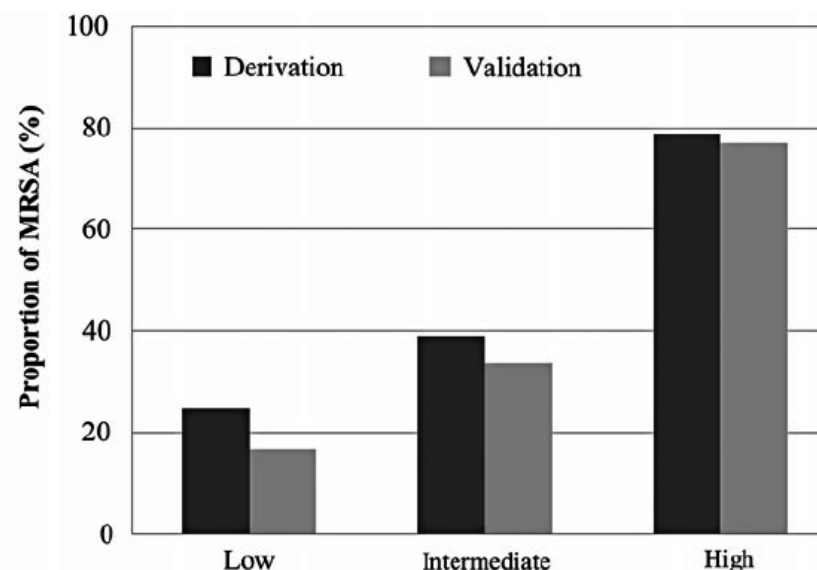


FIG. 1. The proportion of MRSA among community-onset *Staphylococcus aureus* bacteremia patients in each risk group. *The score ranged from -2 to +2 points. MRSA, methicillin-resistant *S. aureus*.

	Low (score* < -0.5)	Intermediate (-0.5 ≤ score* < 1.5)	High (score* ≥ 1.5)
Derivation, n (%)	22/89 (24.7)	607/1557 (39.0)	123/156 (78.8)
Validation, n (%)	1/6 (16.7)	112/331 (33.8)	10/13 (76.9)

The risks seen in (some of the) recent literature

- **Children:**

↗ ↗ : dialysis or plasmapheresis, organ transplantation, cancer,
↗ : chromosomal anomalies, atopic dermatitis, congenital heart disease and surgery
(Bruun Oestergaard *et al.*)

- **HIV patients:**

↗ previous MRSA infection, hospitalization in the past year, use of antibiotics
(Sabbagh *et al.*)

- **Prisoners:**

MRSA colonization, previous skin infection, sharing soap or personal items, SSTI presenting as an abscess or furuncle, younger age, non-Caucasian, overweight, communal laundering, infrequent handwashing, lower hygiene score
(Haysom *et al.*)

- **MRSA skin and soft tissue infections for MRSA-colonized patients on discharge:**

prior hospital admission within 12 months, prior MRSA infection, previous myocardial infarction
(Cadena *et al.*)

Bruun Oestergaard et al. J Pediatr. 2018;203:108-15.e3 - PMID: [30244992](#)

Sabbagh et al. Am J Infect Control 2019;47:323-333 - PMID: [30170767](#)

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Cadena et al. Epidemiol Infect. 2016;144:647-51 - PMID: [26194247](#)

The risks seen in recent literature: some (selected) points of discussion ...

- **Can you predict/distinguish MSSA and MRSA ?**

- *"no definitive clinical or epidemiological risk factors which could distinguish MRSA from MSSA in bacteraemic patients with the exception of the previous use of antibiotics"*
(Wi et al.)

- **Predictors of MRSA infection ?**

- *"colonization status appears to be the only independent and reliable predictor of MRSA infection in cases of S. aureus bacteremia. A clinical approach based on a patient's known MRSA colonization status and on local susceptibility patterns may be appropriate"*
(Butler-Laporte et al.)

- **Are Health Care workers a risk ?**

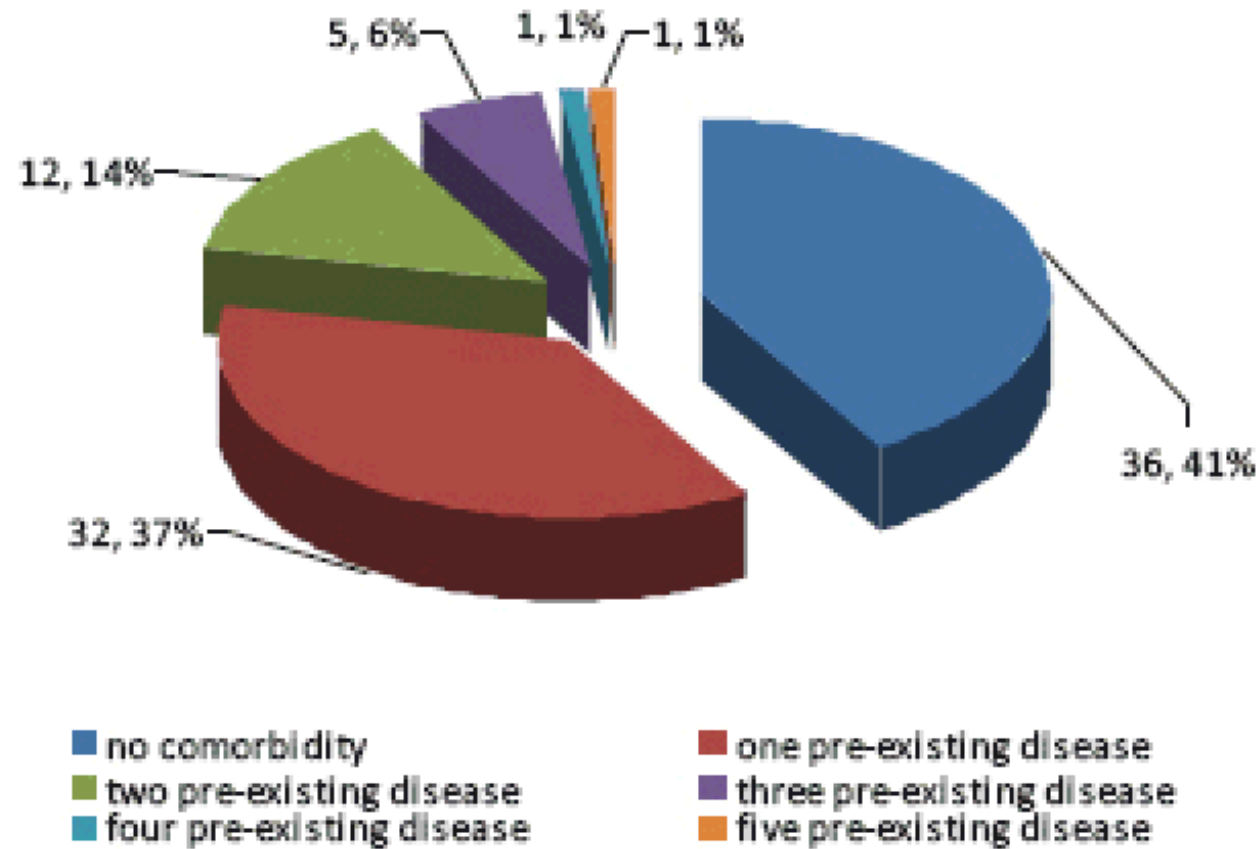
- *"579 employees from 39 outpatient services: MRSA prevalence was 1.2% in all and 1.7% in nursing staff"*
(Peters et al.)

- **What happens in ICU ?**

- *"APACHE-II score >15 and hospital stay of >4 days with MRSA increase the risk of developing a second multidrug-resistant colonization/infection ..."*
(Ochotorena et al.)

Wi et al. Epidemiol Infect. 2018;146:1326-36 - PMID: [29781425](#)
Butler-Laporte et al. BMC Infect Dis 2018;18:270 - PMID: [29890954](#)
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Ochotorena et al. Biol Res Nurs 2019;21:190-7 - PMID: [30537857](#)

Co-morbidities



Lukovac et al. Mater Sociomed 2012;24(Suppl 1):13-5 - PMID: [24493989](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/24493989/)

Co-morbidities or risks ?

2. underlying conditions

Table 1. Risk of invasive *Staphylococcus aureus* infection, associated with selected underlying conditions, in adults ≥ 20 years old.

	Underlying condition	No. of patients with ISA infection (n = 226)	Annual incidence, per 100,000	Relative risk (95% confidence interval)	P
Renal failure	Hemodialysis	24	7692	257.2 (161.0–393.6)	<.001
	Peritoneal dialysis	3	4918	150.0 (30.5–441.1)	<.001
Immunosuppression	Human-immunodeficiency-virus infection	4	778	23.7 (6.4–61.4)	<.001
	Solid organ transplantation	3	683	20.7 (4.2–61.3)	<.001
Unsafe injections Low hygiene	Heart disease	114	362	20.6 (15.8–27.0)	<.001
	Cancer	47	348	12.9 (9.1–17.8)	<.001
	Illicit intravenous drug use	13	321	10.1 (5.3–17.7)	<.001
	Alcohol abuse	31	241	8.2 (5.4–12.0)	<.001
Vascular insufficiency	Diabetes mellitus	48	192	7.0 (5.0–9.7)	<.001
	Stroke	16	200	6.4 (3.6–10.6)	<.001
	Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease	26	120	3.9 (2.5–5.9)	<.001
Colonization Antibiotics	Systemic lupus erythematosus	2	80	2.4 (0.3–8.7)	.3
	Rheumatoid arthritis	5	74	2.2 (0.7–5.3)	.1

NOTE. ISA, invasive *Staphylococcus aureus*.

Laupland et al. J Infect Dis. 2003;187:1452-9 - PMID: [12717627](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/12717627/)

Do we need to take care of co-morbidities ?

in 2002

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Risk factors associated with nosocomial methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) infection including previous use of antimicrobials

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"Patients infected with MRSA tended to have **more co-morbidities**, longer lengths of stay and greater exposure to antibiotics than MSSA-infected patients... but these factors **failed to achieve statistical significance** in multivariate analysis."



"The use of validated predictive scores along with implementation of deescalation strategies and **careful individual assessment of comorbidity** and functional status seem superior strategies for the clinical management"

But do we have good predictive scores ?



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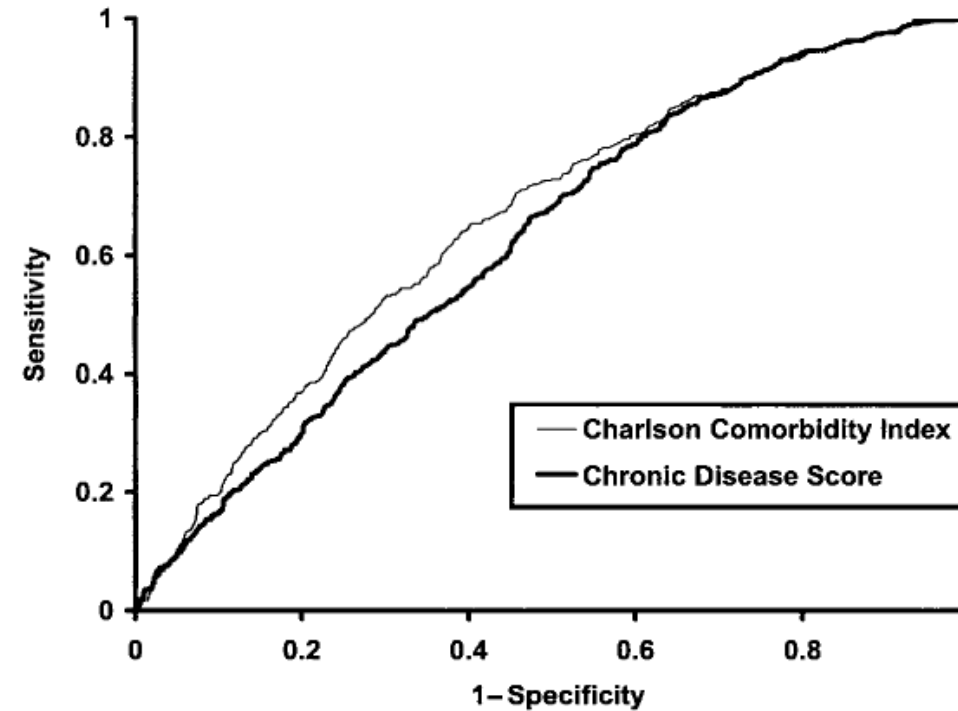
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Note:

The closer the ROC curve is to the **upper left corner**, the higher the overall accuracy of the test ...

(Zweig & Campbell. Clin Chem 1993;39:561-77 - PMID: [8472349](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/8472349/))

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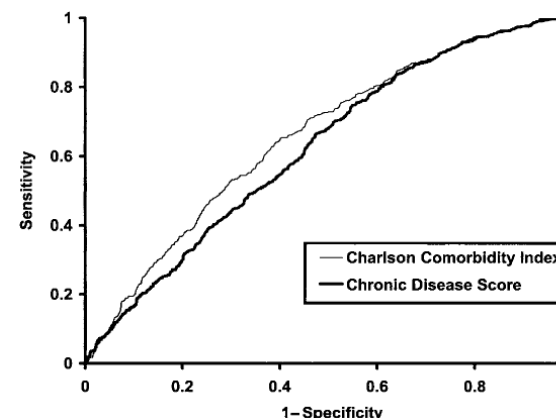
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*"The **Charlson Comorbidity Index** was not originally designed for use as predictor of nosocomial infections with antibiotic-resistant bacteria ..."*

The authors have proposed a more dedicated score but its discrimination ability remains low (c statistic < 0.7)...

(McGregor et al. J Clin Epidemiol 2006;59:1266-73 – [17098569](#))



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Comparison of the discriminating abilities of the CDS* and the CCI* in the methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* study

	c statistic	95% CI*	Chi-square p value
CDS, unadjusted	0.6076	0.5801, 0.6342	<0.01
CCI, unadjusted	0.6528	0.6272, 0.6784	
CDS, adjusted†	0.6252	0.5994, 0.6509	0.01
CCI, adjusted†	0.6586	0.6330, 0.6842	

* CDS, Chronic Disease Score; CCI, Charlson Comorbidity Index; CI, confidence interval.

† Adjusted for age and sex.

"It is typically desirable that model discrimination (the c statistic) be greater than 0.70."

A few more comments ...

- Paying attention ?

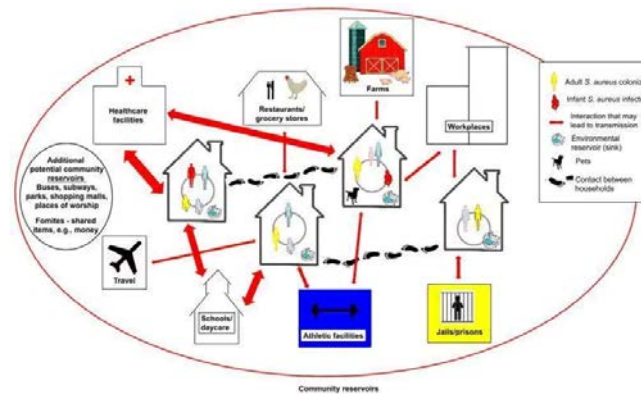


"Here's your problem—it looks like you're paying attention to what's going on."

<https://condenastore.com/featured/paying-attention-pia-guerra.html>

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- Preventing transmission ?



<https://drewsmithblog.com/2018/01/my-roommate-is-colonized-with-mrsa-how-contagious-is-he-and-what-should-i-do-to-ensure-that-i-do-not-get-it/>

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- Do we need new drugs



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Readmission risk at 30 days

	ORa (95% CI) (N=40 306)
MRM-positive sample *	
No	1.00
Yes	1.41 (1.17–1.69)
Sex	
Women	1.00
Men	1.19 (1.11–1.27)
Age	
18–40 years	1.00
41–64 years	1.45 (1.26–1.66)
≥65 years	1.71 (1.50–1.96)
Grouped Charlson index	
0. No comorbidities	1.00
1. Low comorbidity	1.30 (1.18–1.42)
2. High comorbidity	2.14 (1.97–2.33)
Admission type	
Elective	1.00
Urgent	1.25 (1.16–1.34)

Three logistic regression models

* MRM: multidrug-resistant microorganisms

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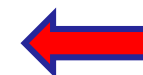
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Patients with an MRM-positive sample



ORa (95% CI)
(N=983)

Microorganism type

ESBL-KP	1.00
ESBL-EC	1.30 (0.73–2.30)
MRSA	2.03 (1.10–3.75)
PAMR	1.65 (0.87–3.13)
MREC	1.10 (0.45–2.69)
Others	0.37 (0.05–2.93)

Three logistic regression models

ESBL, producing extended-spectrum β -lactamase;
EC, *E. coli*;

KP, *K. pneumoniae*;

MRSA, methicillin-resistant *S. aureus*;

PAMR, multi-resistant *P. aeruginosa*.

MREC, multi-resistant *E. cloacae*;

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Monte Carlo simulation results using economic and accounting bed-day values to estimate the cost of bloodstream infections, 10 European hospitals, 2010–2011 (n = 606,649)

Exposure	Population	Excess LOS per BSI days (95% CrI) ^a	Expected annual cumulative incidence per hospital ^b	Estimated cost per infection EUR (95% CrI)	
				Economic costing ^c	Accounting costing ^d
MSSA BSI	Hospitalised patients	10.3 (9.3–11.5)	102	760 (190–3,000)	9,500 (5,800–16,000)
MRSA BSI	Hospitalised patients	12.2 (9.9–14.7)	19	890 (220–3,600)	11,000 (6,600–19,000)
Meticillin resistance	Patients with <i>S. aureus</i> BSI	1.9 (–0.7 TO 4.6)	NA	120 (–60 TO 740)	1,600 (–700 TO 5,000)

BSI: bloodstream infection;

LOS: length of stay;

MRSA/MSSA: meticillin-resistant/susceptible *Staphylococcus aureus*;

^a Output from probabilistic sensitivity analysis

^b Estimated for a hospital with 450,000 bed-days annually

^{c,d} Employs the bed-day valuation

Lastly... Can we prevent MRSA spread ?



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Background:

- MRSA are moving between hospitals and community,¹ obscuring our understanding of their dynamics and persistence.
- MRSA often colonize silently ... and can be transmitted stealthily ²...
- Sweden has a low prevalence of MRSA (mostly imported) making outbreak studies quite interesting (importation → nosocomial transmission)

Approach:

- Agent-based network model-Bayesian inference system for estimating unobserved colonization and importation rates from simple incidence records.

Key observations:

- a small number of patients have a disproportionately high risk of colonization...
- the inference-based intervention can identify and treat the pivotal individuals, or superspreaders...

1. Tosas et al. PLoS Med. 2016;13:e1001944 - PMID: [26812054](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/26812054/)

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Message:

Cost-effective interventions (should ?) be practiced for targeted screening of identified high-risk patients.



Why do we need to pay even still more attention to MRSA ?

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Rewriting Life

A New MRSA Defense

Marijuana extracts kill antibiotic-resistant MRSA

by Nora Schultz September 12, 2008



Scientists from Italy and the United Kingdom, who published their research in the [Journal of Natural Products](#) last month, say that cannabis-based creams could also be developed to treat persistent skin infections.



We may need effective drugs...

MRSA?

<http://www.mrsaidblog.com/2012/09/13/can-honey-really-cure-mrsa/>

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What will be our future ?



I show you the
how it is
made...

Who is going
to heal this
patient ?

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