

**Table S1:** Sample studies reporting the presence of antibiotic resistant bacteria in insects

Insect	Sampling site	Antibiotics/Antibiotic class	Antibiotic Resistance Genes	Organism	Methods	Country	Reference
Mealworm, Crickets	Rearing company	Tetracyclines, Macrolides	tet(O, K, M, S), erm(B)	NA	Real-time PCR	Belgium and Netherlands	(Vandeweyer et al., 2019)
locusts, mealworm giant waterbugs, black ants, winged termite alates, rhino beetles, mole crickets, silkworm, and black scorpions	Retailers	Macrolides; $\beta$ -lactams	Erm(B, C), tet(O, K, M, S), blaZ	NA	PCR	Netherlands and Thailand	(Milanović et al., 2016)
Small crickets ( <i>Acheta domesticus</i> )	Retailers	tetracyclines, macrolide-lincosamide-streptogramin B (MLS <sub>B</sub> ), beta-lactams, and aminoglycosides	tet(M), tet(O), tet(K), tet(S), erm(B), erm(C), blaZ and mecA, aac(6')-Ie aph(2")-Ia	NA	PCR	Italy	(Roncolini et al., 2019)

Cockroach	Hospital environment	Penicillins, Cephems, Aminoglycosides, macrolides. Folate inhibitors, Tetracyclines, fluoroquinolones, Lincosamides, Phenicals, Ansamycins	blaZ, aacA-D, tetK, msrA, dfrA, msrA, vatB, tetM, grlA, rpoB, vatA, linA, ermA, cat1	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	Culture, PCR	Iran	(Abdolmaleki et al., 2019)
Cockroaches	Household kitchens	ampicillin, cephalothin, ceftriaxone, ciproflexoxacin, chloramphenicol, gentamicin, tetracycline, trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole, ceftazidime, amikacin, nitrofurantoin, nalidixic acid, cefalexin, cefotaxime, kanamycin, penicillin	NA	Enterobacter spp., Klebsiella spp., Citrobacter spp., E. coli, Salmonella spp., Proteus spp., coagulase negative staph- ylococci, S. marcescens, <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> , and <i>Bacillus</i> species	Culture	Iran	(Vazirianzadeh et al., 2014)
Honeybee	Bee farm	Streptomycin	strA-strB	NA	Sequencing	Norway, USA	(Ludvigsen et al., 2018)

Mosquitoes	Field adult and reared larvae	beta-lactamase, Fluoroquinolones, aminoglycosides	IMI, NMC-A, OXA-18, OXA-58 Group, QnrD, OXA-60, SHV(156G), aadA1	N/A	Sequencing	USA	(Hyde et al., 2019)
House flies; cockroach	Pig farm	Tetracyclines, macrolides	tet(M), tet(O), tet(K), tet(S), erm(B)	Enterococcus spp	Culture; PCR	USA	(Ahmad et al., 2011)
True Flies	Hospital in urban areas	Penicillins, carbapenems, aminoglycosides, fluoroquinolones, quinolones, tetracyclines, phenicol, Lipopeptides, glycopeptides, Macrolides	NA	Multiple Micrococcus spp., Aerococcus spp., Enterococcus spp., Streptococcus spp., Staphylococcus spp., Bacillus spp., Citrobacter spp., Klebsiella spp. Leclercia spp., Pantoea spp., Enterobacter spp., Raoultella spp., Escherichia spp.	Culture	UK	(Matilla et al., 2018)

Cockroach	Households	Ampicillin, gentamicin, ciprofloxacin, ofloxacin, chloramphenicol, tetracycline, sulfamethoxazole/trimethoprim, penicillin, streptomycin, erythromycin, oxacillin, vancomycin, cephalothin, ceftazidime, imipenem, piperacillin, and cefoperazone	NA	Staphylococcus aureus, Enterococcus species, Pseudomonas aeruginosa, Klebsiella pneumoniae, Escherichia coli, Serratia marcescens, and Proteus species	Culture	Taiwan	(Pai et al., 2005)
Grasshopper			Erm (B, C), tet(K, M, S), blaZ, aac(6')-Ie aph(2'')		Culture, PCR	Netherlands and Thailand	(Osimani et al., 2017)
Flies	Cattle farm	amoxicillin/clavulan acid; ampicillin; cefoxitin; ceftriaxone; chloramphenicol; nalidixic acid; sulfisoxazole; streptomycin; tetracycline; trimethoprim.	NA		Culture	USA	(Xu et al., 2018)

Flies	Dairy farms	Ampicillin, Cephalexin, Ceftriaxone, Ciprofloxacin, Enrofloxacin, Gentamicin, Oxacillin, Penicillin G, Sulphazotrin, Tetracycline		<i>Escherichia coli</i> , <i>Salmonella</i> spp., <i>Staphylococcus</i> spp.		Brazil	(Almeida et al., 2014)
Flies	markets, hospitals, houses/human habitations, pit latrines, stalls of local food vendors, abattoirs/slaught erhouses, and dairy farms	(tetracyclin, erythrocycline and cloxacillin) (penicillin-G and erythromycin); (streptomycin, ampicillin); (cloxacillin clindamycin) tetracycline,	NA	<i>Streptococcus</i> spp.; <i>E. coli</i> ; <i>Serratia</i> spp. <i>Proteus</i> spp.; <i>Klebsiella</i> spp.	Culture	Nigeria	(Nmorsi et al., 2007)

Flies	Dairy farm	ampicillin; amoxicillin/clavulanic acid; cefalexin; ceftriaxone; cefoperazone; ceftiofur; ciprofloxacin; enrofloxacin; chloramphenicol; sulfamethoxazole/trimethoprim; gentamicin; tetracycline.	<i>bla</i> CTX-M, <i>bla</i> TEM, <i>tet</i> A, ( <i>int</i> 1- <i>dfr</i> A7- <i>att</i> C-qacEΔ1), <i>dfr</i> A7	<i>E. coli</i>	Culture + PCR	Brazil	(Alves et al., 2018)
Cockroach	Household	gentamicin; tigecycline; ciprofloxacin; cotrimoxazole; cefoxitin; cefuroxime; cefotaxime; ampicillin; aumentin; chloramphenicol; tetracycline; nitrofurantoin; aztreonam; amoxicillin/clavulanic acid, piperacillin/tazobactam; ceftaroline	<i>bla</i> TEM-24, <i>bla</i> TEM-14, <i>bla</i> CTX-M-15/TEM-4, <i>bla</i> CTX-M-15/TEM-1, <i>bla</i> SHV-3, TEM-1, OXA-48	<i>E. coli</i>	Culture, PCR	Ghana	(Obeng-Nkrumah et al., 2018)

Mosquitoes	Residential	Doripenem, piperacillin, cefuroxime, erythromycin, ampicillin		<i>Staphylococcus hominis</i> , <i>Escherichia coli</i> , <i>Pantoea agglomerans</i> , <i>Acinetobacter pittii</i> ,	Culture, MALDI TOF	Slovakia	(Hleba et al., 2017)
Blowflies and Houseflies	Farms and urban areas	Beta-lactams	CTX-M, TEM, SHV, <i>qnrS</i> , LAB	<i>E. coli</i>	Culture, PCR, Sequencing	Germany	(Wetzker et al., 2019)
Houseflies	Urban, semi-urban and rural residential areas	Clindamycin, tetracycline, penicillin, oxacillin, rifampicin, fusidic acid, trimethoprim/sulfa methoxazole, ceftriaxone, ceftazidime, aztreonam, ciprofloxacin, trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole.	<i>blaCTX-M</i> , <i>blaTEM</i>	<i>Bacillus cereus</i> , <i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> , <i>Enterococcus faecium</i> , <i>Clostridioides tertium</i> , <i>Bacillus licheniformis</i> , <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> , <i>Enterococcus hirae</i> , <i>S. aureus</i> positive	Culture, Whole-genome sequencing	Nigeria	(Onwugamba et al., 2020)

Cockroach	Hospital, human dwelling, restaurant	Chloramphenicol, Amoxicillin, Streptomycin, Tetracycline, Erythromycin, Gentamicin, Penicillin, Cephalothin, Sulfamethoxazole, Ciprofloxacin, Levofloxacin	NA	<i>Salmonella</i> spp; <i>Shigella</i> spp; <i>Escherichia coli</i> ; CON <i>Staphylococcus</i> spp; <i>Bacillus cereus</i> ; <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> ; <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> ; <i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> ; <i>Citrobacter freundii</i> ; <i>Morganella morganii</i> ; <i>Proteus vulgaris</i> ; <i>Proteus mirabilis</i> ; <i>Enterobacter cloacae</i> ; <i>Providencia</i> spp.	Culture	Nigeria	(Akinjogunlaa et al., 2012)
Butterfly	Forest and densely populated human residential area	erythromycin; ciprofloxacin; norfloxacin; rifampicin.	None	<i>Enterococci</i>	Culture, PCR, sequencing	Brazil	(Huff et al., 2020)

Houseflies	Hospital, farm, food centre, city centre	Ampicillin; Chloramphenicol; Ciprofloxacin; Colistin; Erythromycin; Gentamicin; Imipenem; Meropenem; Streptomycin; Tetracycline.	CTX-M, <i>catA1</i> , <i>mcr-3</i> , <i>ereA</i>  <i>tetA</i> , <i>tetB</i> , <i>SHV</i>	<i>E. coli</i>	Culture, PCR	Bangladesh	(Sobur et al., 2019)
Cockroaches	Households and restaurants	Aminoglycosides, Macrolides, Cephems, Lincosamides, Penicillins	NA	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	Culture	Bangladesh	(Islam et al., 2016)
Flies	Hospital and surrounding residential suburban areas	Beta-lactams	CTX-M-1,  TEM,  <i>SHV</i> ,  CTX-M-9,  CTX-M-2	<i>Raoultella spp.</i> ,  <i>Kluyvera spp.</i> ,  <i>Enterobacter spp.</i> ,  <i>Escherichia coli</i> ,  <i>Citrobacter spp.</i> ,  <i>Klebsiella spp.</i> ,  <i>Providencia spp.</i> ,  <i>Proteus spp.</i> ,	Culture, PCR	Ethiopia	(Tufa et al., 2020)

				<i>Moellerella wisconsensis</i>			
Cockroaches	Hospital and households	gentamycin; cotrimoxazole; tetracycline; chloramphenicol; amoxicillin-clavulanic acid; ciprofloxacin; nalidixic acid; ceftriaxone; ceftazidime; penicillin; erythromycin.	NA	<i>S. aureus</i> ; coagulase negative staphylococci; <i>E. coli</i> , <i>Enterobacter species</i> , <i>Klebsiella spp.</i>	Culture	Ethiopia	(Moges et al., 2016)

Houseflies	Hospital, streets, abbatoir	Amoxicillin Amoxicillin– clavulanic acid Cephaloridine Ceftriaxone Chloramphenicol Amikacin  Kanamycin, Norfloxacin, Nalidixic, Doxycycline, Trimethoprim– sulphamethoxazole	NA	<i>Escherichia coli</i> <i>Salmonella</i> sp. <i>Shigella sonnei</i>  <i>Yersinia</i> <i>enterocolitica</i> <i>Edwardsiella tarda</i>  <i>Klebsiella</i> sp.  <i>Enterobacter</i> sp. <i>Citrobacter</i> sp. <i>Proteus</i> sp.  <i>Providencia</i> sp. <i>Serratia</i> sp. <i>Erwinia</i> sp.  <i>Aeromonas</i> sp.  <i>Flavobacterium</i> sp. <i>Pseudomonas</i> sp. <i>Xanthomonas</i> sp.  <i>Weeksella zoohlecum</i> <i>Pasteurella</i> sp.  <i>Staphylococcus</i> sp. <i>Streptococcus</i> sp.	Culture	Libya	(Rahuma et al., 2005)
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Cockroach	Restaurants and cafeteria	Norfloxacin, Oxacillin, Vancomycin, Penicillin Clindamycin, Erythromycin, Tetracycline, Ciprofloxacin, Chloramphenicol, Cephalothin, Streptomycin	NA G,	S. aureus, B. cerus, Salmonella spp., Shigella flexneri, E. coli	Culture	Ethiopia	(Solomon et al., 2018)
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Cockroaches and houseflies	Human residences	ampicillin; amoxicillin-clavulanate; piperacillin-tazobactam; cefoxitin; ceftazidime; cefepime; imipenem; ertapenem; meropenem; gentamicin; amikacin; cotrimoxazole; ciprofloxacin	NA	Acinetobacter lwoffii, Alcaligenes spp., Citrobacter spp., Enterobacter spp., Escherichia coli, Klebsiella spp. Leclercia Adecarboxylata, Moellerella Wisconsensis, Morganella morganii, Pasteurella spp., Proteus spp., Providencia spp., Salmonella spp., Serratia spp., Shigella dysenteriae, Yersinia enterocolitica, Staphylococcus aureus, Staphylococcus coagulase-negative Enterococcus spp.	Culture	Morocco	(Bouamama et al., 2010)
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Cockroaches	Hospital	NA	NA	ESBL-Producing <i>K. pneumoniae</i> , <i>Escherichia coli</i> , <i>Serratia marcescens</i> , <i>Enterobacter cloacae</i> , <i>Citrobacter freundii</i> , <i>Acinetobacter baumanii</i> and <i>Enterococcus</i> spp	Culture	South Africa	(Cotton et al., 2000)
Cockroach	Households and restaurants	Ampicillin, piperacillin, cephalothin, chloramphenicol, tetracycline, sulfamethoxazole/t/rimethoprim, ceftazidime, gentamicin.	NA	<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> , <i>Klebsiella pneumonia</i> , <i>Escherichia coli</i> , <i>Citrobacter freundii</i> , <i>Enterobacter aerogenes</i> , <i>Proteus mirabilis</i>	Culture	India	(Leshan Wannigama et al., 2013)
Fly	Restaurants and farms	Amoxicillin, roxithromycin, cefaclor	NA	<i>E. coli</i> , <i>En. faecalis</i> , <i>Salmonella</i> sp., <i>Shigella</i> sp.	Culture	Australia	(Vriesekoop and Shaw, 2010)

Flies	Airport	amoxicillin, ticarcillin, cephalothin, cefuroxime, ceftazidime, piperacillin, cefotaxime, ticarcillin-clavulanate, trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole, ciprofloxacin, gentamicin, cefepime, tobramycin, ceftazidime, cefoxitin, amikacin, netilmicin, amoxicillin-clavulanate, piperacillin-tazobactam.	<i>blaTEM</i> , <i>acc(3)-II</i> , <i>aphA2</i> , <i>qnrB</i> , <i>qnrS</i> <i>aac(6')- 1b</i> .	<i>blaSHV</i> <i>aphA1</i>	<i>Escherichia coli</i> , <i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> , <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> , <i>Aeromonas hydrophila</i>	Culture, PCR	China	(Liu et al., 2013)
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Spiders	Garden walls and park railings	ciprofloxacin Gentamicin, amoxycillin erythromycin, chloramphenicol, tetracycline, cefoxitin, nalidixic acid, colistin	NA	<i>Pseudomonas azotoformans</i> , <i>Pseudomonas peli</i> , <i>Rothia mucilaginosa</i> , <i>Staphylococcus capitis</i> <i>Streptococcus</i> sp. <i>Bacillus aerius</i> <i>Bacillus altitudinis</i> <i>Bacillus licheniformis</i> <i>Bacillus mycoides</i> <i>Bacillus mycoides</i> <i>Bacillus thuringiensis</i> <i>Micrococcus endophyticus</i> <i>Bacillus</i> sp <i>Dietzia timorensis</i> <i>Micrococcus luteus</i> <i>Paenibacillus mobilis</i> <i>Pseudomonas putida</i> <i>Rothia amarae</i>	Culture, Sequencing	PCR,	Ireland	(Dunbar et al., 2020)
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				<p><i>Serratia fonticola</i></p> <p><i>Staphylococcus capitis</i></p> <p><i>Staphylococcus edaphicus</i></p> <p><i>Staphylococcus warneri</i></p> <p><i>Kluyvera intermedia</i></p> <p><i>Staphylococcus epidermidis</i></p>			
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Bed bugs	Hospital	Vancomycin, ampicillin, teicoplanin, aminoglycosides	NA	Vancomycin Resistant Enterococci, MRSA	Culture	Canada	(Lowe and Romney, 2011)
Flies	Hospital		Numerous genes ( <a href="https://doi.org/10.1186/s13756-020-0696-y">https://doi.org/10.1186/s13756-020-0696-y</a> )	<i>E. coli</i> , <i>Klebsiella</i> spp., <i>Enterobacter</i> spp., <i>Aci-netobacter</i> spp., <i>P. aeruginosa</i> , <i>Citrobacter</i> spp., <i>Raoultella</i> spp.	Culture, MALDI_TOF, WGS	Rwanda	(Heiden et al., 2020)
Ants	Hospital	amoxicillin, amoxicillin-clav.acid, piperacillin, ticarcillin, ticarcillin-clav.acid, cephalothin, cefoxitin, cefotaxim, ceftazidim, cefepim, cefuroxim, ceftazidime, cotrimoxazol, tobramycin, gentamicin, netilmicin	NA	<i>S. aureus</i> , <i>A. baumannii</i> , <i>E.agglomerans</i> , <i>E. amnigenus</i> , <i>E. cloacae</i> , <i>K. oxytoca</i> , <i>K.pneumoniae</i> , <i>S. rubidae</i>	Culture, biochemical tests	Brazil	(Moreira et al., 2005)

Houseflies	Markets	Ampicillin, Sulfamethoxazole-trimethoprim, Streptomycin, Tetracycline, Gentamycin, Nalidixic acid, Ceftazidime, Chloramphenicol, Norfloxacin, Ciprofloxacin, Cefotaxime	<i>blaTEM</i> , <i>blaSHV</i> , <i>blaCTX-M</i>	<i>Salmonella</i> spp., Enteropathogenic <i>E. coli</i>	Culture, PCR	Zambia	(Songe et al., 2017)
Houseflies	Farms	Beta-lactams, quinolones, aminoglycosides	<i>blaCTX-M</i> , <i>blaTEM</i> , <i>qnrS</i>	ESBL-producing <i>E. coli</i> strains	Culture, PCR	Spain	(Solà-Ginés et al., 2015)

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