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The Epidemiology of Antimicrobial Resistance in Bloodstream Infections: Focus on Activity of New Antibiotics

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Message from the Guest Editors

The spread of multidrug-resistant (MDR) organisms, particularly among Gram-negative (G-neg) bacteria, is a matter of serious concern. Invasive infections (particularly bloodstream infections, BSIs) sustained by MDR organisms are correlated with significant patient morbidity and mortality worldwide.

The excess mortality associated with BSIs is mainly attributed to the limited availability of active drugs.

Several new antibiotics with activity against MDR G-neg bacteria have been released in recent years. These drugs have fundamentally changed the therapeutic approach for invasive MDR G-neg bacterial infections.

Monitoring the in vitro activity of these new antibiotics over time is of fundamental importance for the identification of antimicrobial management and antimicrobial resistance containment strategies.

This Special Issue seeks to publish manuscripts that could expand knowledge on the epidemiology of antimicrobial resistance in BSI, particularly regarding the activity of new drugs against MDR G-neg bacteria. Studies aimed at investigating the epidemiology, microbiology and risk factors associated with mortality from MDR bacterial bloodstream infections are welcome.



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