# Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Surveillance Report

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Data from: 01 Jan 2016 to 31 Dec 2016

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The AMASS application used microbiology\_data and hospital\_admission\_data files that are stored in the same folder as the application (AMASS.bat) to generate this report.

The goal of the AMASS application is to enable hospitals with microbiology data available in electronic formats to analyze their own data and generate AMR surveillance reports promptly. If hospital admission date data are available, the reports will additionally be stratified by infection origin (community–origin or hospital–origin). If mortality data (such as patient discharge outcome data) are available, a report on mortality involving AMR infection will be added.

This automatically generated report has limitations, and requires users to understand those limitations and use the summary data in the report with careful interpretation.

A valid report could have local implications and much wider benefits if shared with national and international organizations.

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This automatically generated report contains no patient identifier, similar to standard reports on cumulative antimicrobial susceptibility.

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# Introduction

Antimicrobial resistance (AMR) is a global health crisis [1]. The report by Lord Jim O'Neill estimated that 700,000 global deaths could be attributable to AMR in 2015, and projected that the annual death toll could reach 10 million by 2050 [1]. However, data of AMR surveillance from low and middle–income countries (LMICs) are scarce [1,2], and data of mortality associated with AMR infections are rarely available. A recent study estimated that 19,000 deaths are attributable to AMR infections in Thailand annually, using routinely available microbiological and hospital databases [3]. The study also proposed that hospitals in LMICs should utilize routinely available microbiological and hospital gavailable microbiological gavailable microbiological gavailable microbiological and hospital gavailable microbiological gavailable gavail

Reports on AMR surveillance can have a wide range of benefits [2]; including

- characterization of the frequency of resistance and organisms in different facilities and regions;
- prospective and retrospective information on emerging public health threats;
- evaluation and optimization of local and national standard treatment guidelines;
- evaluation of the impact of interventions beyond antimicrobial guidelines that aim to reduce AMR; and
- data sharing with national and international organizations to support decisions on resource allocation for interventions against AMR and to inform the implementation of action plans at national and global levels.

When reporting AMR surveillance results, it is generally recommended that (a) duplicate results of bacterial isolates are removed, and (b) reports are stratified by infection origin (community–origin or hospital–origin), if possible [2]. Many hospitals in LMICs lack time and resources needed to analyze the data (particularly to deduplicate data and to generate tables and figures), write the reports, and to release the data or reports [4].

AutoMated tool for Antimicrobial resistance Surveillance System (AMASS) was developed as an offline, open–access and easy–to–use application that allows a hospital to perform data analysis independently and generate isolate–based and sample–based surveillance reports stratified by infection origin from routinely collected electronic databases. The application was built in R, which is a free software environment. The application has been placed within a user–friendly interface that only requires the user to double–click on the application icon. The AMASS application can be downloaded at: http://www.amass.website Please note that the AMASS application and the automatically–generated report have limitations, and require readers to understand those limitations and review the reports and summary data carefully. We encourage the user of the AMASS application to perform manual validation (such as printing and listing isolates of the species to cross check with the reports), as recommended by Clinical and Laboratory Standards Insitute (CLSI) [5] and European Antimicrobial Resistance Surveillance Network (EUCAST) [6,7]. Moreover, it is important to note that the AMASS is an add–on automatized report generating tool and does not replace WHONET, Laboratory Information System (LIS), quality assurance programme, or antimicrobial surveillance systems (including the WHO GLASS).

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# **Section [1]: Data overview**

## Introduction

An overview of the data detected by the AMASS application is generated by default. The summary is based on the raw data files saved within the same folder as the application file (AMASS.bat).

Please review and validate this section carefully before proceeds to the next section.

## Results

The microbiology\_data file (stored in the same folder as the application file) had: **56995** specimen data records with collection dates ranging from **01 Jan 2016** to **31 Dec 2016** 

The hospital\_admission\_data file (stored in the same folder as the application file) had:
109450 admission data records with hospital admission dates ranging from
01 Jan 2016 to 31 Dec 2016

## Notes:

[1] If the periods of the data in microbiology\_data and hospital\_admission\_data files are not similar, the automatically–generated report should be interpreted with caution. The AMASS generates the reports based on the available data.

## Reporting period by months:

Data was stratified by month to assist detection of missing data, and verification of whether the month distribution of data records in microbiology\_data file and hospital\_ admission\_data file reflected the microbiology culture frequency and admission rate of the hospital, respectively. For example if the number of specimens in the microbiology\_data file reported below is lower than what is expected, please check the raw data file and data dictionary files.

Month	Number of specimen	Number of admission
	data records in	data records in
	microbiology_data file	hospital_admission_data file
January	5114	8550
February	4698	8710
March	4697	8920
April	4423	8310
Мау	4684	8685
June	4625	8650
July	4531	8625
August	4990	9320
September	4662	8730
October	4953	9310
November	4894	9140
December	4724	8675
Total:	56995	109450

## Note:

[1] Additional general demographic data will be made available in the next version of the AMASS application.

#### Introduction

An isolate–based surveillance report is generated by default, even if the hospital\_ admission\_data file is unavailable. This is to enable hospitals with only microbiology data available to utilize the de–duplication and report generation functions of AMASS. This report is without stratification by origin of infection.

The report generated by the AMASS application version 1.0 includes only blood samples. The next version of AMASS will include other specimen types, including cerebrospinal fluid (CSF), urine, stool, and other specimens.

#### Organisms under this survey:

- Staphylococcus aureus
- *Enterococcus* spp.
- Streptococcus pneumoniae
- Salmonella spp.
- Escherichia coli
- Klebsiella pneumoniae
- Pseudomonas aeruginosa
- Acinetobacter spp.

#### Results

The microbiology\_data file had:

Sample collection dates ranged from **01 Jan 2016** to **31 Dec 2016** 

Number of records of blood specimens collected within the above date range:

#### 56995 blood specimens records

Number of records of blood specimens with \*negative culture (no growth):

## 48992 blood specimens records

Number of records of blood specimens with culture positive for a microorganism:

#### 8003 blood specimens records

Number of records of blood specimens with culture positive for organism under this survey:

3129 blood specimens records

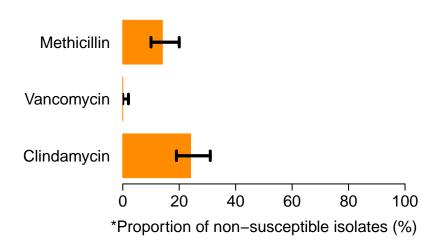
The AMASS application de–duplicated the data by including only the first isolate per patient per specimen type per evaluation period as described in the method. The number of patients with positive samples is as follows:

Organism	Number of records of blood specimens culture positive for the organism	**Number of patients with blood culture positive for the organism (de–duplicated)
Staphylococcus aureus	417	212
Enterococcus spp.	236	122
Streptococcus pneumoniae	75	38
Salmonella spp.	123	62
Escherichia coli	1034	524
Klebsiella pneumoniae	543	279
Pseudomonas aeruginosa	224	116
Acinetobacter spp.	477	244
Total:	3129	1597

\*The negative culture included data values specified as 'no growth' in the dictionary\_for\_ microbiology\_data file (details on data dictionary files are in the method section) to represent specimens with negative culture for any microorganism.

\*\*Only the first isolate for each patient per specimen type, per pathogen, and per evaluation period was included in the analysis.

The following figures and tables show the proportion of patients with blood culture positive for antimicrobial non–susceptible isolates.



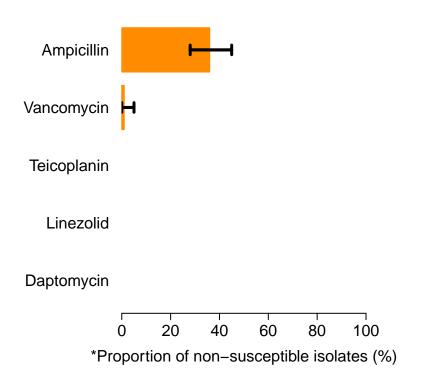
## Blood: Staphylococcus aureus

(No. of patients = 212)

Antibiotic agent	% NS (n)	95% CI
Methicillin	14% (29/205)	10%–20%
Vancomycin	0% (0/205)	0%–2%
Clindamycin	24% (50/205)	19%–31%

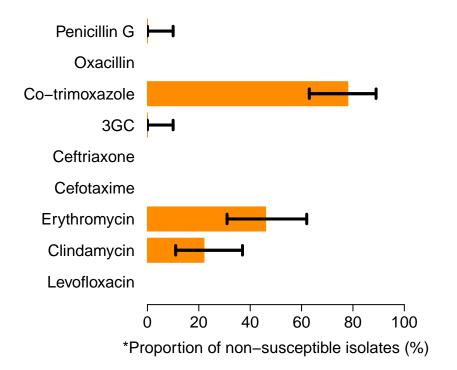
## Blood: Enterococcus spp.

(No. of patients = 122)



Antibiotic agent	% NS (n)	95% CI
Ampicillin	36% (41/114)	28%-45%
Vancomycin	1% (1/114)	0%–5%
Teicoplanin	NA	-
Linezolid	NA	_
Daptomycin	NA	-

\*Proportion of non–susceptible isolates (% NS) represents the number of patients with blood culture positive for non–susceptible isolates (numerator) over the total number of patients with blood culture positive for the organism and the organism was tested for susceptibility against the antibiotic (denominator). The AMASS application de–duplicated the data by including only the first isolate per patient per specimen type per evaluation period. Grey bars indicate that testing with the antibiotic occurred for less than 70% of the total number of patients with blood culture positive for the organism. CI = confidence interval; NA = Not available/reported/tested; Methicillin: methicillin, oxacillin, or cefoxitin

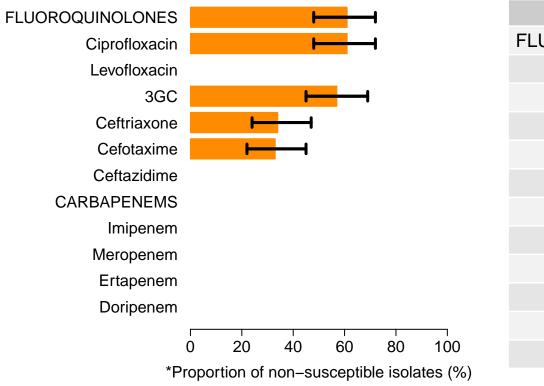


## Blood: Streptococcus pneumoniae

## (No. of patients = 38)

Antibiotic agent	% NS (n)	95% CI
Penicillin G	0% (0/36)	0%–10%
Oxacillin	NA	-
Co-trimoxazole	78% (29/37)	63%-89%
3GC	0% (0/36)	0%–10%
Ceftriaxone	NA	-
Cefotaxime	NA	-
Erythromycin	46% (17/37)	31%–62%
Clindamycin	22% (8/37)	11%–37%
Levofloxacin	NA	-

## Blood: Salmonella spp.



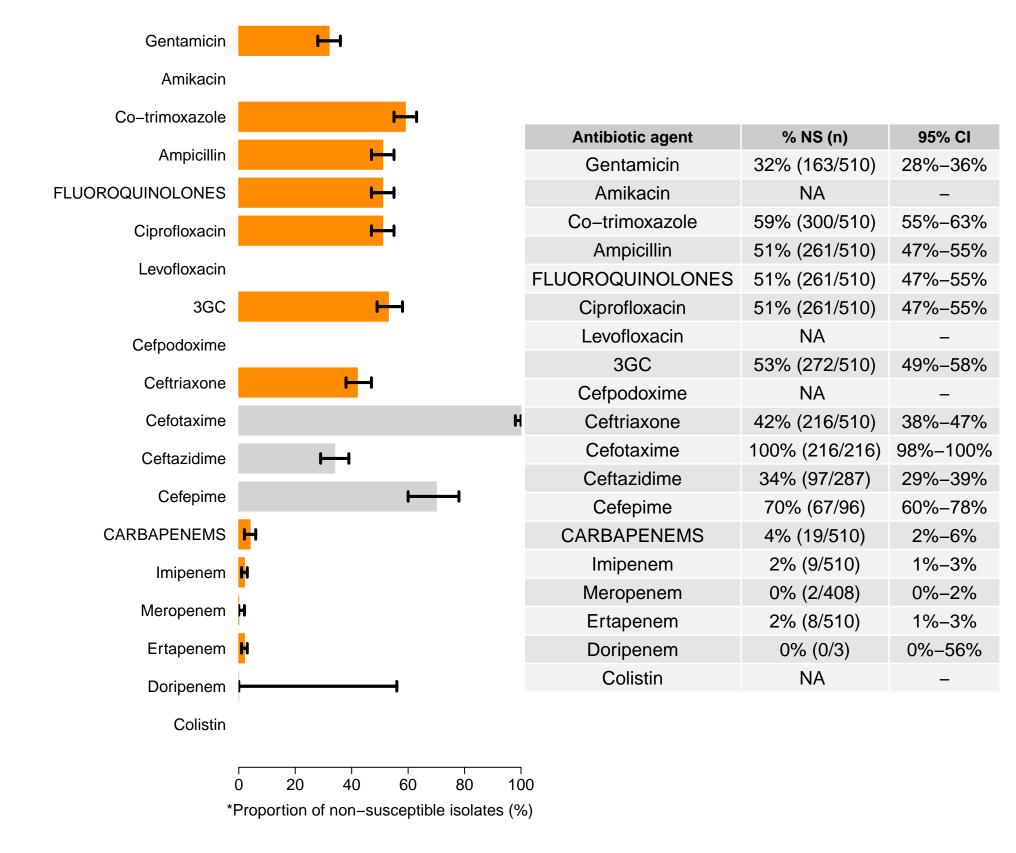
## ( No. of patients = 62 )

Antibiotic agent	% NS (n)	95% CI
FLUOROQUINOLONES	61% (37/61)	48%-72%
Ciprofloxacin	61% (37/61)	48%-72%
Levofloxacin	NA	-
3GC	57% (35/61)	45%-69%
Ceftriaxone	34% (21/61)	24%-47%
Cefotaxime	33% (20/61)	22%-45%
Ceftazidime	NA	-
CARBAPENEMS	NA	-
Imipenem	NA	-
Meropenem	NA	-
Ertapenem	NA	-
Doripenem	NA	-

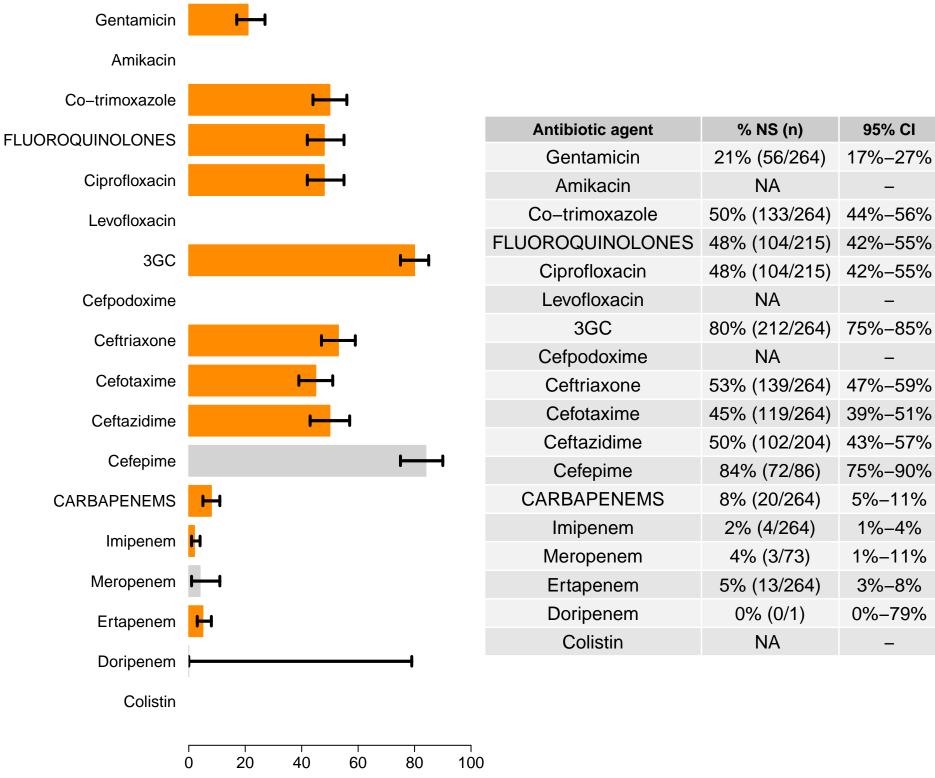
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Blood: Escherichia coli

(No. of patients = 524)



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## Blood: Klebsiella pneumoniae

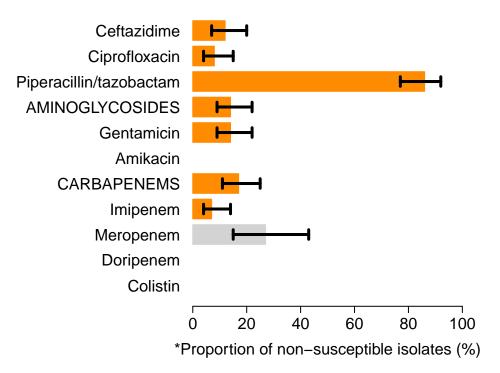
(No. of patients = 279)

\*Proportion of non-susceptible isolates (%)

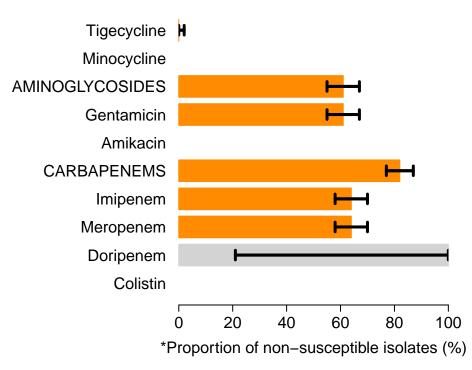
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## Blood: Pseudomonas aeruginosa

## ( No. of patients = 116 )



## Blood: Acinetobacter spp.



Antibiotic agent	% NS (n)	95% CI
Ceftazidime	12% (13/108)	7%–20%
Ciprofloxacin	8% (9/108)	4%–15%
Piperacillin/tazobactam	86% (74/86)	77%–92%
AMINOGLYCOSIDES	14% (15/108)	9%–22%
Gentamicin	14% (15/108)	9%–22%
Amikacin	NA	_
CARBAPENEMS	17% (18/108)	11%–25%
Imipenem	7% (8/108)	4%–14%
Meropenem	27% (10/37)	15%–43%
Doripenem	NA	—
Colistin	NA	-

## ( No. of patients = 244 )

Antibiotic agent	% NS (n)	95% CI
Tigecycline	0% (0/233)	0%–2%
Minocycline	NA	-
AMINOGLYCOSIDES	61% (143/233)	55%–67%
Gentamicin	61% (143/233)	55%–67%
Amikacin	NA	-
CARBAPENEMS	82% (192/233)	77%–87%
Imipenem	64% (149/233)	58%–70%
Meropenem	64% (150/233)	58%–70%
Doripenem	100% (1/1)	21%-100%
Colistin	NA	-

\*Proportion of non-susceptible isolates (% NS) represents the number of patients with blood culture positive for non-susceptible isolates (numerator) over the total number of patients with blood culture positive for the organism and the organism was tested for susceptibility against the antibiotic (denominator). The AMASS application de-duplicated the data by including only the first isolate per patient per specimen type per evaluation period. Grey bars indicate that testing with the antibiotic occurred for less than 70% of the total number of blood culture positive for the organism. CI = confidence interval; NA = Not available/reported/tested; AMINOGLYCOSIDES: either gentamicin or amikacin;

CARBAPENEMS: imipenem, meropenem, ertapenem or doripenem

## Introduction

An isolate–based surveillance report with stratification by origin of infection is generated only if admission date data are available in the raw data file(s) with the appropriate specification in the data dictionaries.

Stratification by origin of infection is used as a proxy to define where the bloodstream infection (BSI) was contracted (hospital versus community).

The definitions of infection origin proposed by the WHO GLASS are used. In brief, community–origin BSI is defined as patients in the hospital for less than or equal to two calendar days when the first specimen culture postive for the pathogen was taken. Hospital–origin BSI is defined as patients admitted for more than two calendar days when the first specimen culture postive for the pathogen.

## **Results:**

The data included in the analysis to generate the report had:

Sample collection dates ranged from **01 Jan 2016** to **31 Dec 2016** \*Number of patients with blood culture positive for pathogen under the survey:

## 1597 patients

\*\*Number of patients with community-origin BSI:

## 929 patients

\*\*Number of patients with hospital-origin BSI:

## 603 patients

\*\*\*Number of patients with unknown infection of origin status:

## 65 patients

Organism	Number of patients with blood culture positive for the organism	Community –origin**	•	Unknown origin***
Staphylococcus aureus	212	148	57	7
Enterococcus spp.	122	59	55	8
Streptococcus pneumoniae	38	37	0	1
Salmonella spp.	62	52	9	1
Escherichia coli	524	397	113	14
Klebsiella pneumoniae	279	140	124	15
Pseudomonas aeruginosa	116	35	73	8
Acinetobacter spp.	244	61	172	11
Total:	1597	929	603	65

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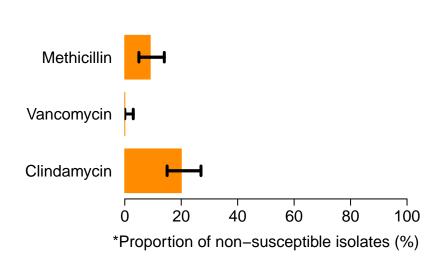
NA= Not applicable (hospital admission date or infection origin data are not available)

\*Only the first isolate for each patient per specimen type per pathogen under the reporting period is included in the analysis. Please refer to Section [2] for details on how this number was calculated from the raw microbiology\_data file.

\*\*The definitions of infection origin proposed by the WHO GLASS is used. In brief, community–origin BSI was defined as patients in the hospital for less than or equal to two calendar days when the first blood culture positive for the pathogen was taken. Hospital–origin BSI was defined as patients admitted for more than two calendar days when the first specimen culture positive for the pathogen was taken.

Please refer to the 'Methods' section for more details on the definitions used. \*\*\*Unknown origin could be because admission date data are not available or the patient was not hospitalised.

The following figures and tables below show the proportion of patients with blood culture positive for antimicrobial non–susceptible isolates stratified by infection of origin.



Staphylococcus aureus

Community–origin (No. of patients = 148)

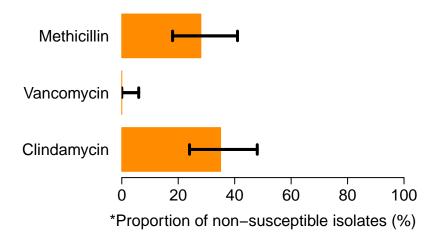
Antibiotic agent	% NS (n)	95% CI
Methicillin	9% (13/148)	5%–14%
Vancomycin	0% (0/148)	0%–3%
Clindamycin	20% (30/148)	15%–27%

#### Blood: Staphylococcus aureus

**Blood**:

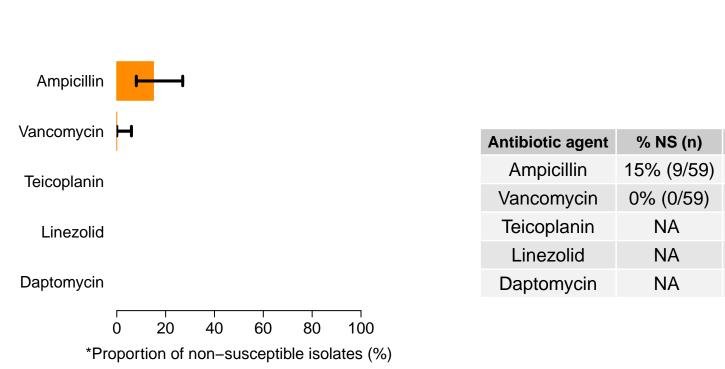
Hospital-origin

(No. of patients = 57)



Antibiotic agent	% NS (n)	95% CI
Methicillin	28% (16/57)	18%–41%
Vancomycin	0% (0/57)	0%–6%
Clindamycin	35% (20/57)	24%-48%

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**Blood:** Enterococcus spp. Community–origin (No. of patients = 59)

Teicoplanin	NA	-
Linezolid	NA	-
Daptomycin	NA	-

Enterococcus spp. **Blood**:

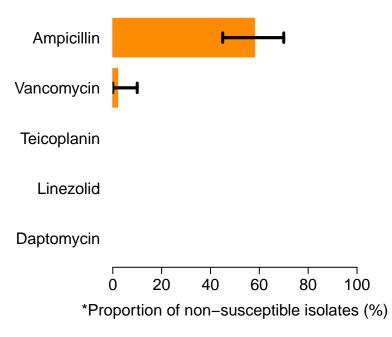
Hospital-origin

(No. of patients = 55)

95% CI

8%-27%

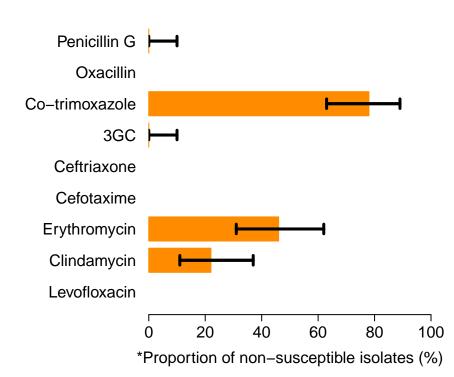
0%-6%



Antibiotic agent	% NS (n)	95% CI
Ampicillin	58% (32/55)	45%-70%
Vancomycin	2% (1/55)	0%–10%
Teicoplanin	NA	_
Linezolid	NA	_
Daptomycin	NA	_

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Streptococcus pneumoniae



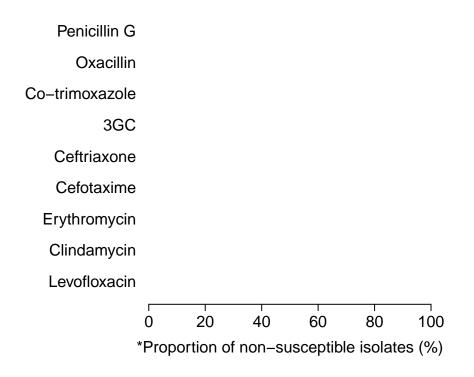
**Blood:** 

Antibiotic agent	% NS (n)	95% CI
Penicillin G	0% (0/36)	0%–10%
Oxacillin	NA	_
Co-trimoxazole	78% (29/37)	63%-89%
3GC	0% (0/36)	0%–10%
Ceftriaxone	NA	-
Cefotaxime	NA	_
Erythromycin	46% (17/37)	31%-62%
Clindamycin	22% (8/37)	11%–37%
Levofloxacin	NA	-

Blood: Streptococcus pneumoniae

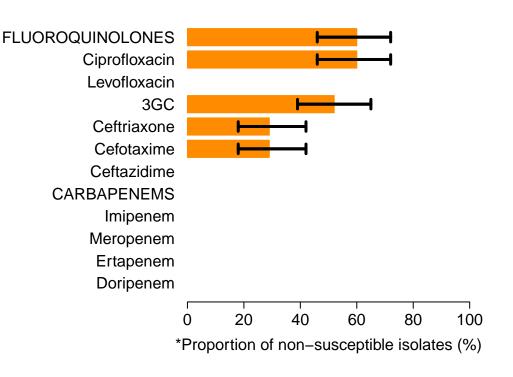
Hospital-origin

(No. of patients = 0)



Antibiotic agent	% NS (n)	95% CI
Penicillin G	NA	-
Oxacillin	NA	-
Co-trimoxazole	NA	-
3GC	NA	_
Ceftriaxone	NA	-
Cefotaxime	NA	-
Erythromycin	NA	-
Clindamycin	NA	-
Levofloxacin	NA	-

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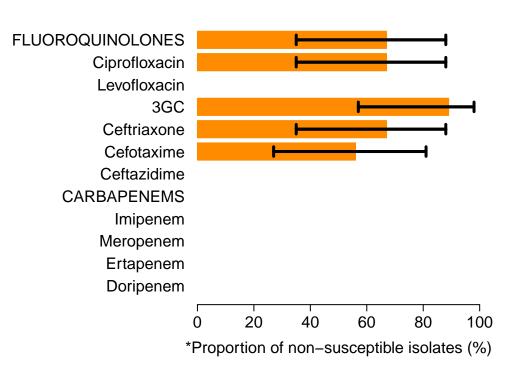


## Blood: Salmonella spp.

## Community-origin (No. of patients = 52)

Antibiotic agent	% NS (n)	95% CI
FLUOROQUINOLONES	60% (31/52)	46%-72%
Ciprofloxacin	60% (31/52)	46%–72%
Levofloxacin	NA	-
3GC	52% (27/52)	39%-65%
Ceftriaxone	29% (15/52)	18%–42%
Cefotaxime	29% (15/52)	18%–42%
Ceftazidime	NA	_
CARBAPENEMS	NA	_
Imipenem	NA	_
Meropenem	NA	_
Ertapenem	NA	_
Doripenem	NA	-

## Blood: Salmonella spp.



## Hospital-origin

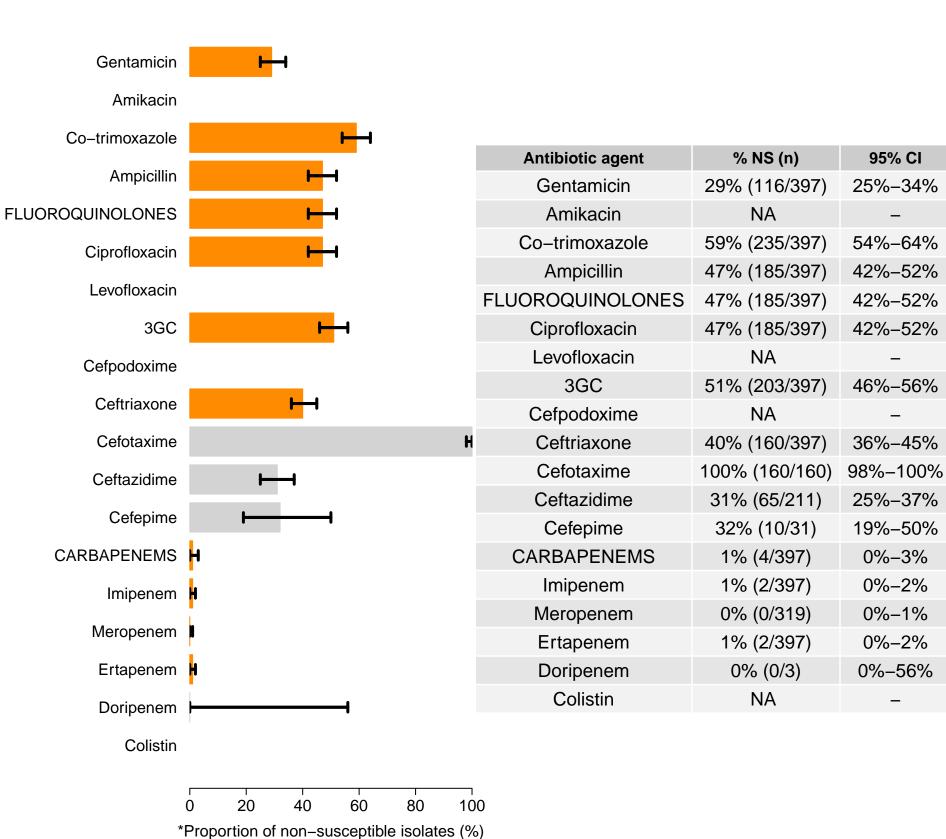
## (No. of patients = 9)

Antibiotic agent	% NS (n)	95% CI
FLUOROQUINOLONES	67% (6/9)	35%-88%
Ciprofloxacin	67% (6/9)	35%-88%
Levofloxacin	NA	-
3GC	89% (8/9)	57%-98%
Ceftriaxone	67% (6/9)	35%-88%
Cefotaxime	56% (5/9)	27%-81%
Ceftazidime	NA	-
CARBAPENEMS	NA	-
Imipenem	NA	-
Meropenem	NA	-
Ertapenem	NA	_
Doripenem	NA	-

\*Proportion of non–susceptible isolates (% NS) represents the number of patients with blood culture positive for non–susceptible isolates (numerator) over the total number of patients with blood culture positive for the organism and the organism was tested for susceptibility against the antibiotic (denominator). The AMASS application de–duplicated the data by including only the first isolate per patient per specimen type per evaluation period. Grey bars indicate that testing with the antibiotic occurred for less than 70% of the total number of blood culture positive for the organism. CI = confidence interval; NA = Not available/reported/tested; 3GC = 3rd–generation cephalosporin;

Escherichia coli

**Blood:** 



Community–origin (No. of patients = 397)

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Escherichia coli

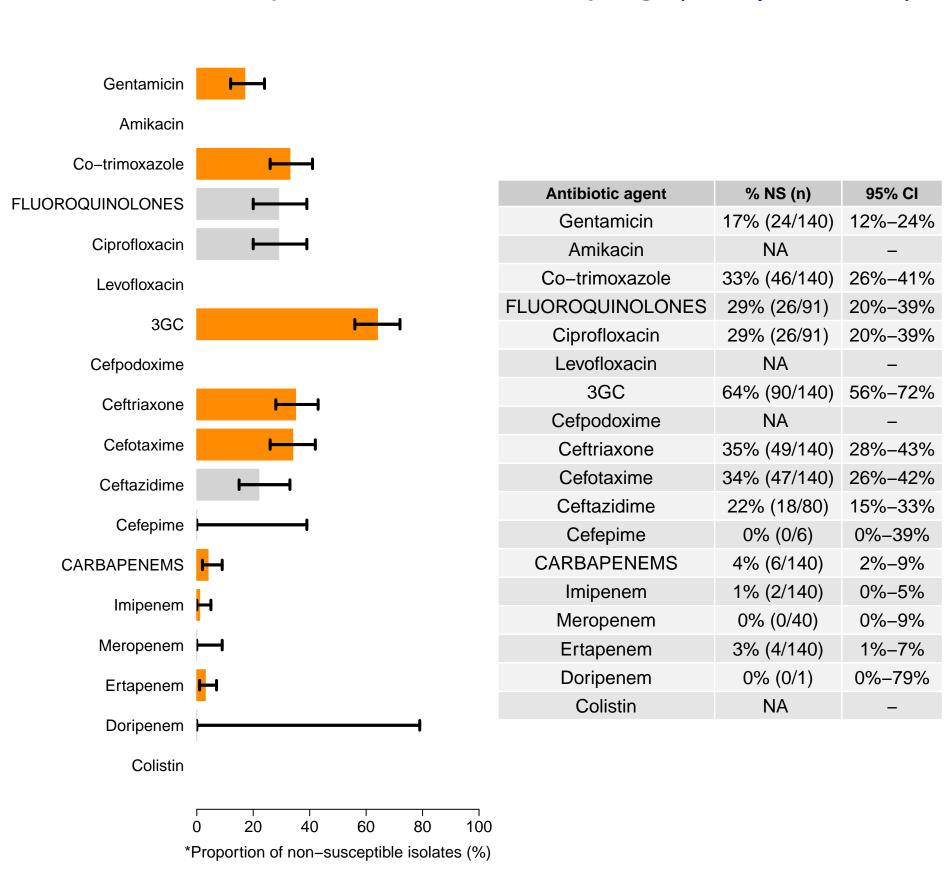
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Hospital-origin

(No. of patients = 113)

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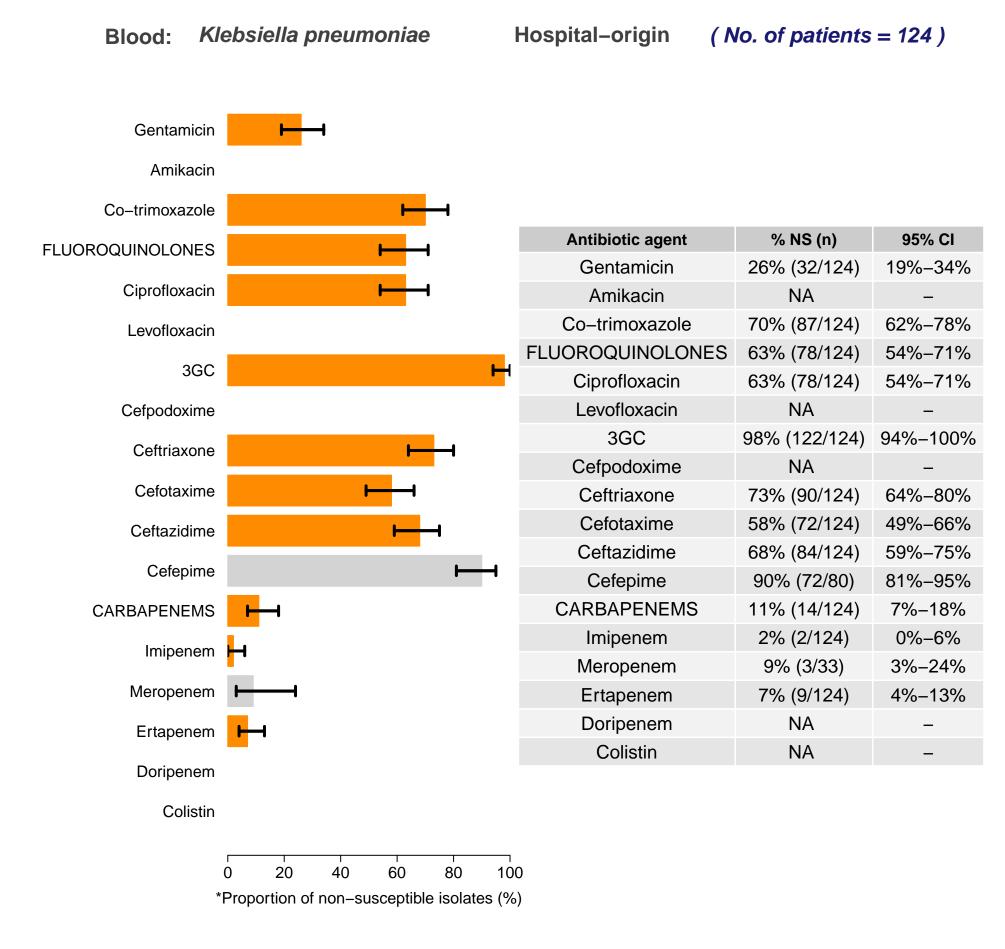


Blood: Klebsiella pneumoniae

Community-origin (No. of patients = 140)

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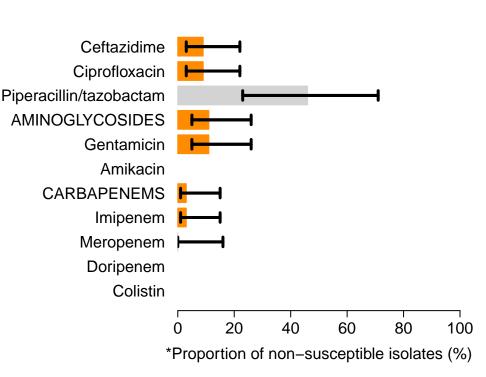
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Pseudomonas aeruginosa

**Blood:** 



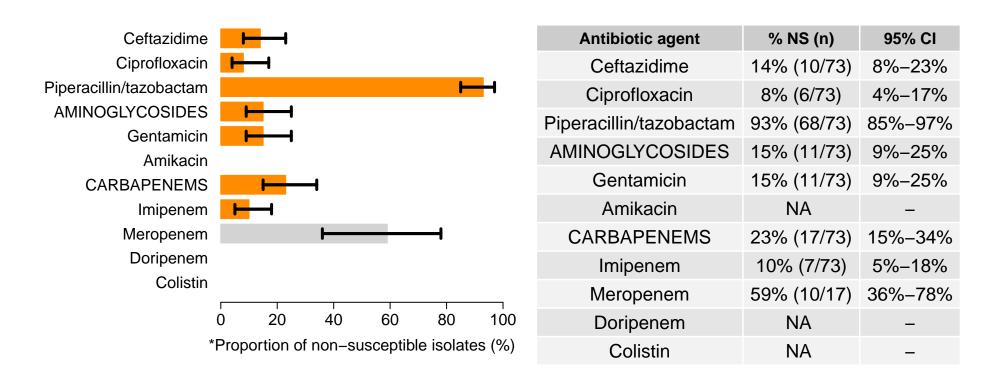
Community-origin (No. of patients = 35)

Antibiotic agent	% NS (n)	95% CI
Ceftazidime	9% (3/35)	3%–22%
Ciprofloxacin	9% (3/35)	3%–22%
Piperacillin/tazobactam	46% (6/13)	23%–71%
AMINOGLYCOSIDES	11% (4/35)	5%–26%
Gentamicin	11% (4/35)	5%–26%
Amikacin	NA	-
CARBAPENEMS	3% (1/35)	1%–15%
Imipenem	3% (1/35)	1%–15%
Meropenem	0% (0/20)	0%–16%
Doripenem	NA	_
Colistin	NA	-



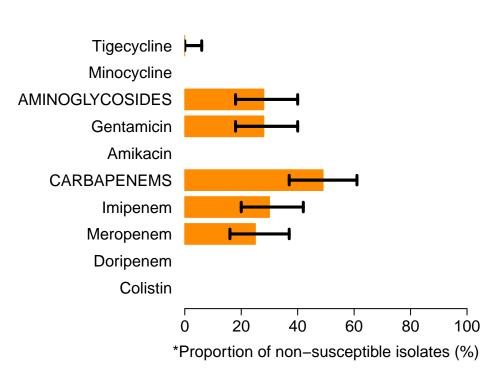
Hospital-origin

(No. of patients = 73)



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Blood: Acinetobacter spp.

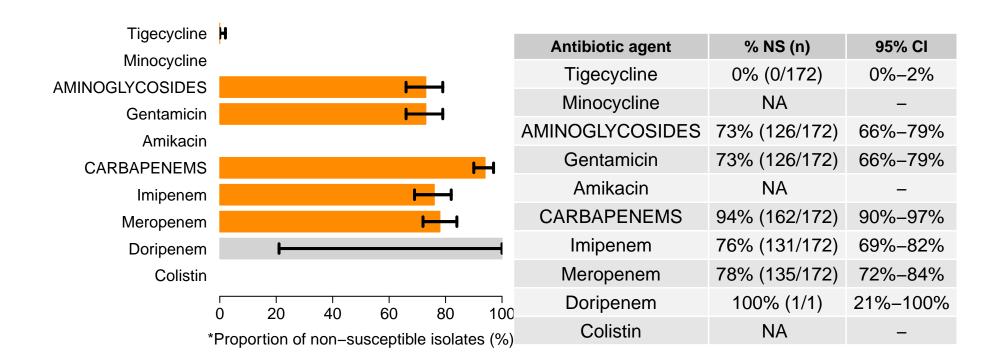
Community-origin (No. of patients = 61)

Antibiotic agent	% NS (n)	95% CI
Tigecycline	0% (0/61)	0%–6%
Minocycline	NA	-
AMINOGLYCOSIDES	28% (17/61)	18%–40%
Gentamicin	28% (17/61)	18%–40%
Amikacin	NA	-
CARBAPENEMS	49% (30/61)	37%–61%
Imipenem	30% (18/61)	20%-42%
Meropenem	25% (15/61)	16%–37%
Doripenem	NA	-
Colistin	NA	-

## Blood: Acinetobacter spp.

Hospital-origin

(No. of patients = 172)



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# Section [4]: Sample-based surveillance report

#### Introduction

A sample–based surveillance report is generated if data of culture negative is available.

The sample–based approach involves the collection of data on all blood samples taken for microbiological testing and includes information on the number of positive blood samples for a specific specimen type (both pathogens under the survey and other bacteria) as well as number of negative (no microbial growth) samples. After removal of duplicate results and assuming that routine blood culture testing is applied systematically, we can use the number of tested patients as a proxy for a number of patients with new cases of bloodstream infection (BSI).

#### **Results:**

The microbiology\_data file had:

Specimen collection dates ranged from01 Jan 2016 to 31 Dec 2016Number of records on blood specimen collected within the above date range:56995 blood specimen records\*Number of patients sampled for blood culture within the above date range:20154 patients sampled for blood culture

#### Note:

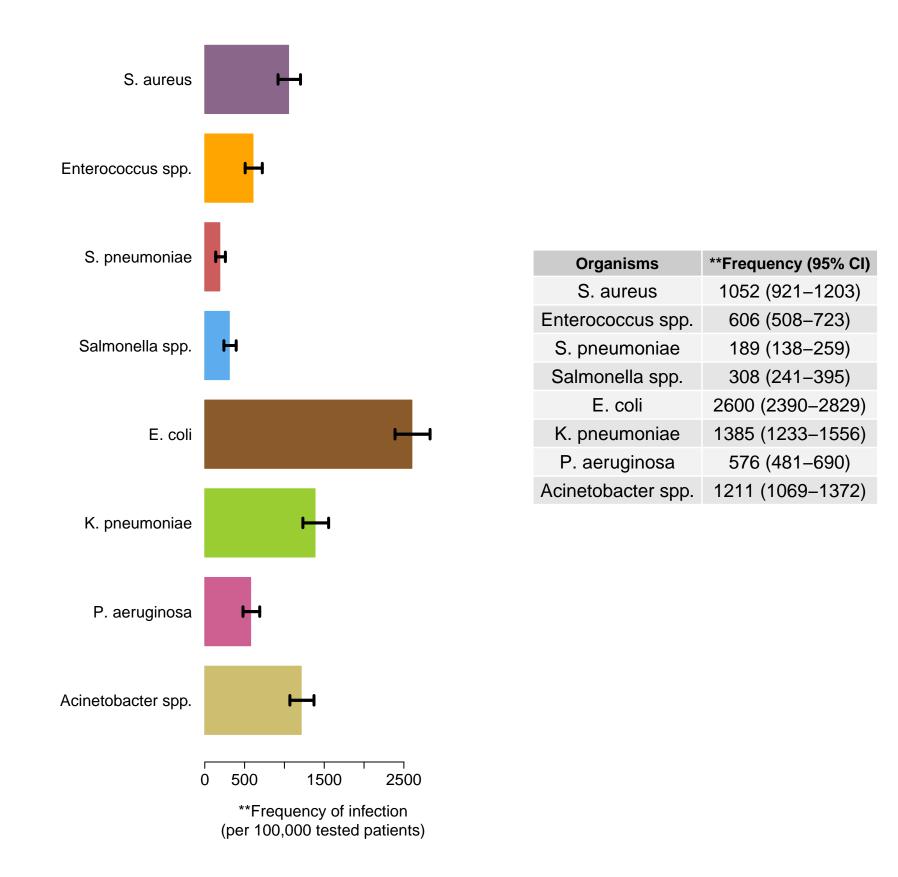
\*Number of patients sampled for blood culture is used as denominator to estimate the frequency of infections per 100,000 tested patients

The following figures show the frequncy of infections for patients with blood culture tested.

## Section [4]: Sample-based surveillance report



(No. of patients = 20154)



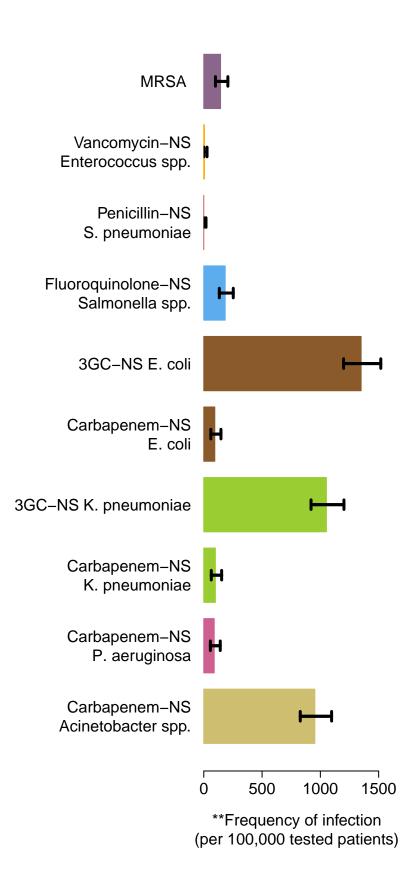
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## Section [4]: Sample-based surveillance report

#### Blood: \*AMR pathogens under this surveillance

(No. of patients = 20154)



Organism	**Frequency (95% CI)
MRSA	144 (101–207)
Vancomycin-NS	5 (1–29)
Enterococcus spp.	5 (1-29)
Penicillin-NS	0 (0–20)
S. pneumoniae	0 (0-20)
Fluoroquinolone-NS	184 (134–253)
Salmonella spp.	104 (104-200)
3GC–NS E. coli	1350 (1200–1519)
Carbapenem-NS	95 (61–148)
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3GC–NS K. pneumoniae	1052 (921–1203)
Carbapenem-NS	100 (65–154)
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Carbapenem-NS	90 (57–142)
P. aeruginosa	30 (37-142)
Carbapenem-NS	953 (828–1097)
Acinetobacter spp.	000 (020-1097)

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## Introduction

A sample–based surveillance report with stratification by origin of infection is generated only if data of culture negative is available and admission date or a variable containing the classification is available in the raw data file with the appropriate specification in the data dictionaries.

## **Results:**

The data included in the analysis had:

Specimen collection dates ranged from01 Jan 2016 to 31 Dec 2016Number of records on blood specimen collected within the above date range:56995 blood specimen records

Number of patients sampled for blood culture within the above date range: **20154 patients sampled for blood culture** 

**16064** patients had at least one admission having the first blood culture drawn within first 2 calendar days of hospital admission.

This parameter is used as a denominators for frequency of community–origin bacteraemia (per 100,000 patients tested for blood culture on admission).

**4082** patients had at least one admission having the first blood culture drawn after 2 calendar days of hospital admission.

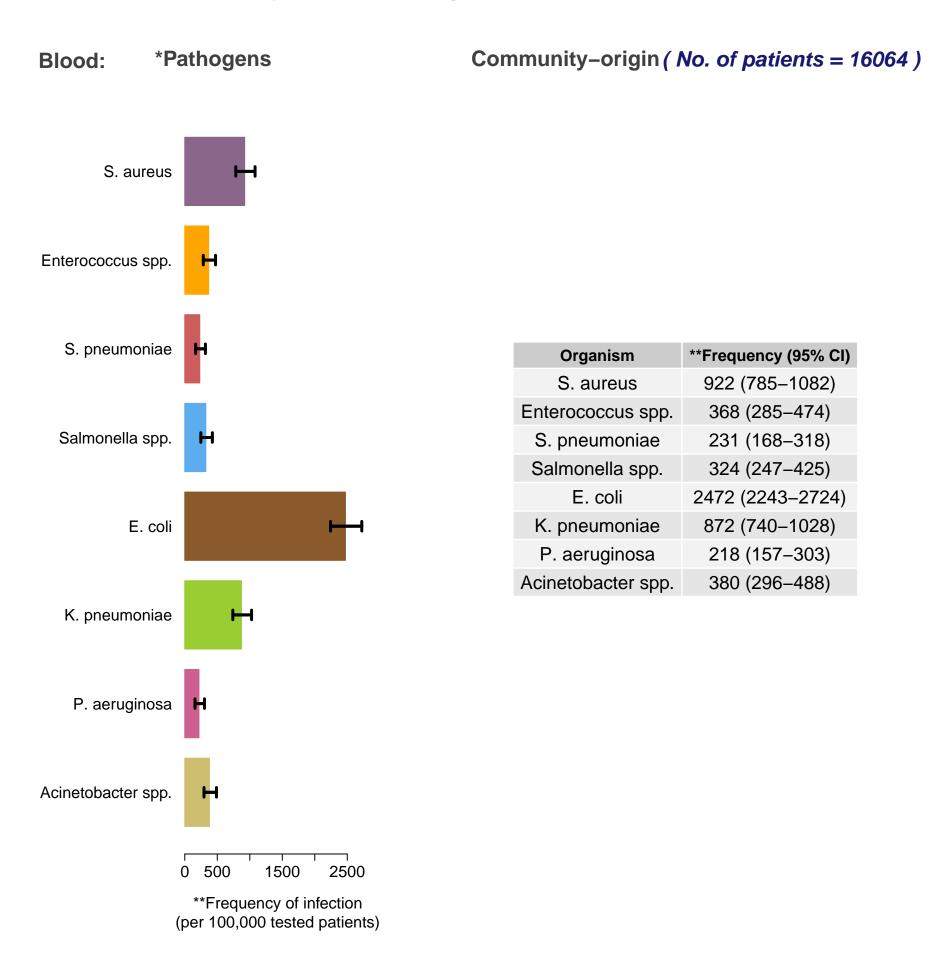
This parameter is used as a denominators for frequency of hospital–origin bacteraemia (per 100,000 patients tested for blood culture for HAI).

**765** patients had a blood drawn for culture and with unknown origin of infection. Validation of this statistics is highly recommended.

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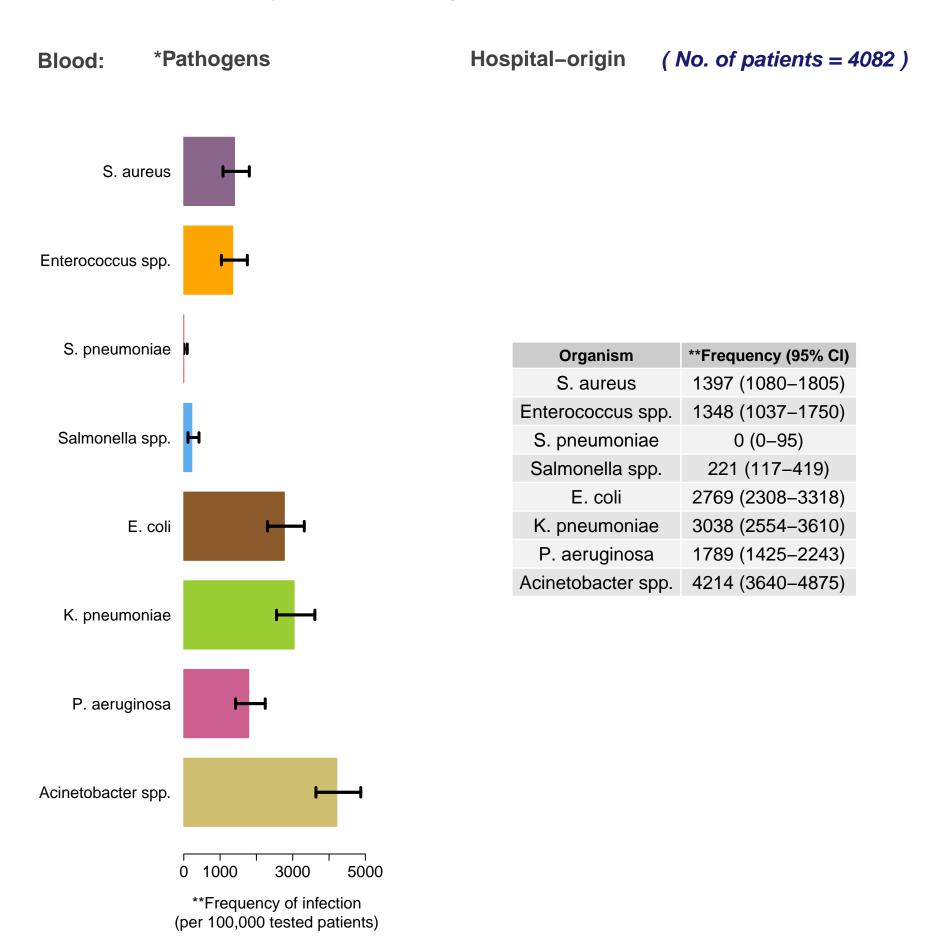
**757** patients had more than one admissions, of which at least one admission had the first blood culture drawn within the first 2 calendar days of hospital admission AND at least one admission had the first blood culture drawn after 2 calendar days of hospital admission.

The following figures show the frequency of infections for patients with blood culture tested and stratified by infection origin, under this surveillance.



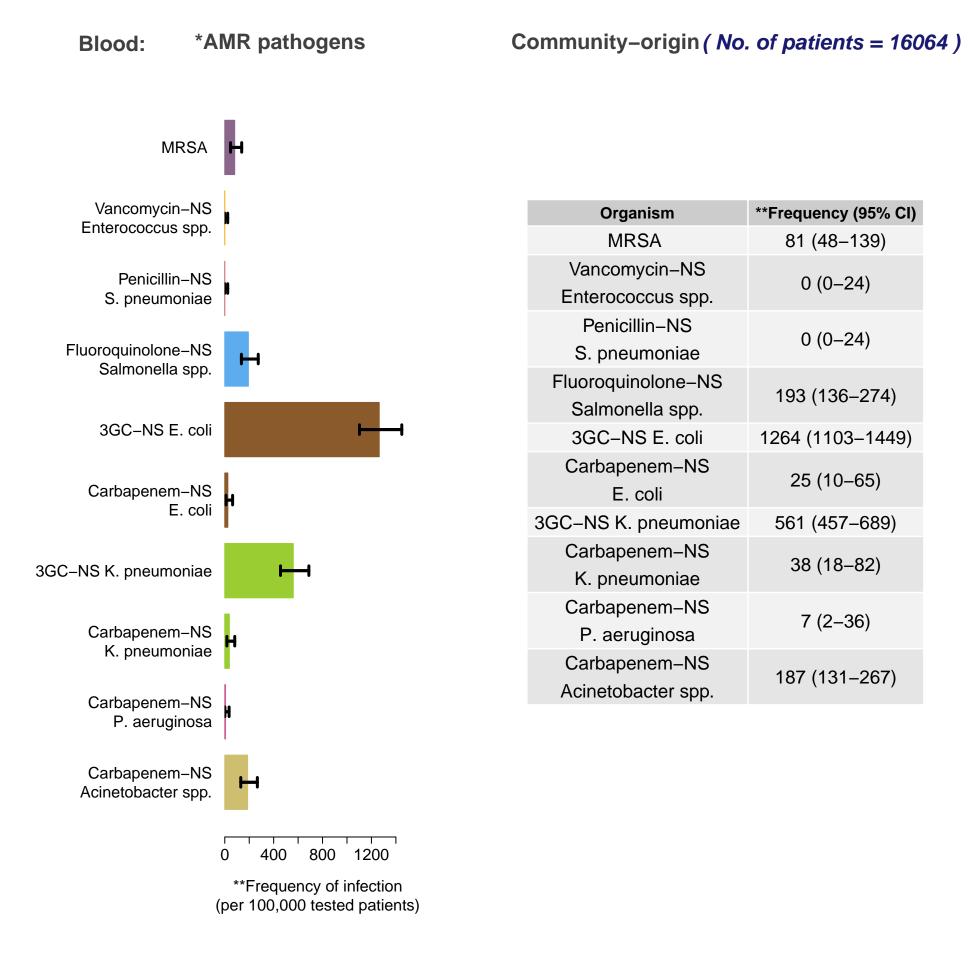
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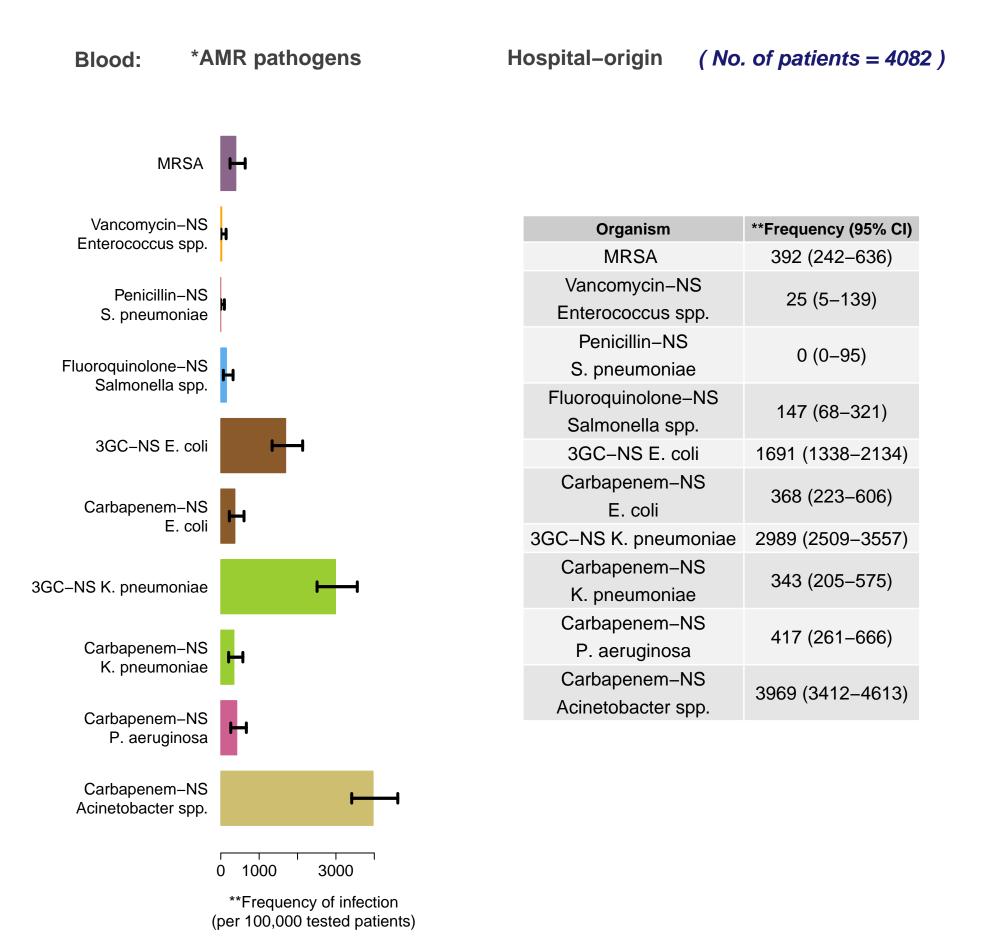
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# Section [6] Mortality involving AMR and antimicrobial-susceptible infections

## Introduction

A surveillance report on mortality involving AMR infections and antimicrobial–susceptible infections with stratification by origin of infection is generated only if data on patient outcomes (i.e. discharge status) are available. Antimicrobial–resistant infection is a threat to modern health care, and the impact of the infection on patient outcomes is largely unknown Performing analyses and generating reports on mortality often takes time and resources.

The term 'mortality involving AMR and antimicrobial–susceptible infections was used because the mortality reported was all–cause mortality. This measure of mortality included deaths caused by or related to other underlying and intermediate causes.

Here, AMASS summarized the overall mortality of patients with antimicrobial-resistant and antimicrobial-susceptible bacteria bloodstream infections (BSI).

## **Results:**

The data included in the analysis had:

Sample collection dates ranged from 01 Jan 2016 to 31 Dec 2016 Number of patients with blood culture positive for the origanism under the survey: 1597 patients Number of patients with community–origin BSI: 929 patients Number of patients with hospital–origin BSI: 603 patients

The hospital admission data file had:

Hospital admission dates ranging from **01 Jan 2016** to **31 Dec 2016** Number of records in the raw hospital admission data:

## 109450 records

Number of patients included in the analysis (de-duplicated):

## 20194 patients

Number of patients had death as outcome in any admission data records:

1314 patients

Overall mortality:

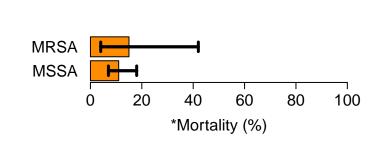
7% (1314/20194)

The AMASS application merged the microbiology data file and hospital admission data file. The merged dataset was then de-duplicated so that only the first isolate per patient per specimen per reporting period was included in the analysis. The de-duplicated data was stratified by infection origin (community-origin infection or hospital-origin infection).

Organism	Mortality in patients with Community–origin BSI	Mortality in patients with Hospital–origin BSI
Staphylococcus aureus	11% (17/148)	11% (6/57)
Enterococcus spp.	8% (5/59)	25% (14/55)
Streptococcus pneumoniae	8% (3/37)	NaN% (0/0)
Salmonella spp.	13% (7/52)	0% (0/9)
Escherichia coli	17% (67/397)	17% (19/113)
Klebsiella pneumoniae	15% (21/140)	23% (29/124)
Pseudomonas aeruginosa	26% (9/35)	30% (22/73)
Acinetobacter spp.	28% (17/61)	35% (60/172)
Total:	16% (146/929)	25% (150/603)

The following figures and tables show the mortality of patients who were blood culture positive for antimicrobial non–susceptible and susceptible isolates.

# Section [6] Mortality involving AMR and antimicrobial-susceptible infections



Staphylococcus aureus

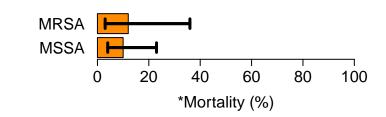
Staphylococcus aureus

Community-origin (No. of patients = 148)

Type of pathogen	Mortality (n)	95% CI
MRSA	15% (2/13)	4%-42%
MSSA	11% (15/135)	7%–18%

Hospital-origin

( No. of patients = 57 )



Type of pathogen	Mortality (n)	95% CI
MRSA	12% (2/16)	3%-36%
MSSA	10% (4/41)	4%–23%

Enterococcus spp.

Community-origin (No. of patients = 59)

Vancomycin-NS	$\mathbf{b}$					
Vancomycin-S	-					
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Enterococcus spp.



Type of pathogen	Mortality (n)	95% CI
Vancomycin-NS	NA	-
Vancomycin-S	8% (5/59)	4%–18%

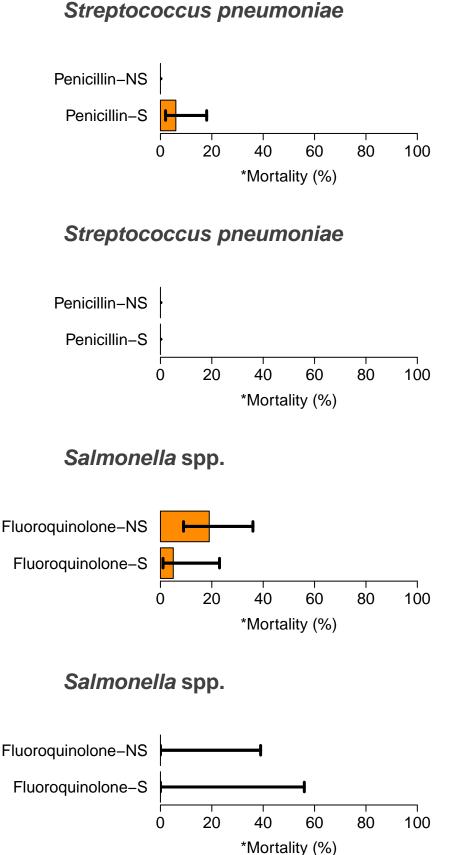
Hospital-origin

(No. of patients = 55)

Type of pathogen	Mortality (n)	95% CI
Vancomycin-NS	100% (1/1)	21%-100%
Vancomycin-S	24% (13/54)	15%–37%

\*Mortality is the proportion (%) of in-hospital deaths (all-cause deaths). This represents the number of in-hospital deaths (numerator) over the total number of patients with blood culture positive for the organism and the type of pathogen (denominator). The AMASS application de-duplicates the data by included only the first isolate per patient per specimen type per evaluation period. NS = non-susceptible; S = susceptible; CI = confidence interval; Fluoroquinolone–NS = NS to any fluoroquinolone tested; 3GC–NS = NS to any 3rd–generation cephalosporin and susceptible to carbapenem

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Community–origin (No. of patients = 37)

Mortality	Mortality (n)	95% CI
Penicillin-NS	NA	-
Penicillin-S	6% (2/36)	2%–18%

Hospital-origin (No. of patients = 0)

Type of pathogen	Mortality (n)	95% CI
Penicillin-NS	NA	-
Penicillin-S	NA	-

## Community-origin (No. of patients = 52)

Type of pathogen	Mortality (n)	95% CI
Fluoroquinolone-NS	19% (6/31)	9%-36%
Fluoroquinolone-S	5% (1/21)	1%–23%

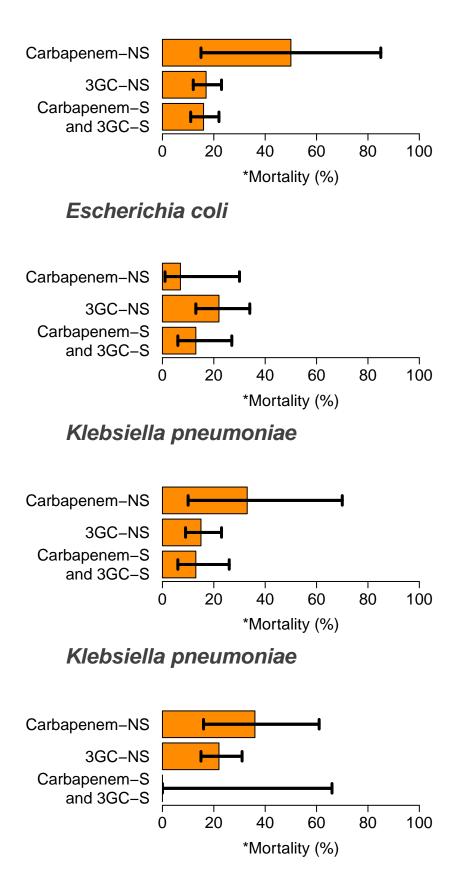
Hospital-origin

(No. of patients = 9)

Type of pathogen	Mortality (n)	95% CI
Fluoroquinolone-NS	0% (0/6)	0%–39%
Fluoroquinolone-S	0% (0/3)	0%–56%

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## Escherichia coli

## Community-origin (No. of patients = 397)

Type of pathogen	Mortality (n)	95% CI
Carbapenem-NS	50% (2/4)	15%–85%
3GC-NS	17% (34/199)	12%–23%
Carbapenem–S and 3GC–S	16% (31/194)	11%–22%

Hospital-origin

( No. of patients = 113 )

Type of pathogen	Mortality (n)	95% CI
Carbapenem-NS	7% (1/15)	1%–30%
3GC–NS	22% (13/59)	13%–34%
Carbapenem–S and 3GC–S	13% (5/39)	6%–27%

## Community-origin (No. of patients = 140)

Type of pathogen	Mortality (n)	95% CI
Carbapenem-NS	33% (2/6)	10%–70%
3GC-NS	15% (13/89)	9%–23%
Carbapenem–S and 3GC–S	13% (6/45)	6%–26%

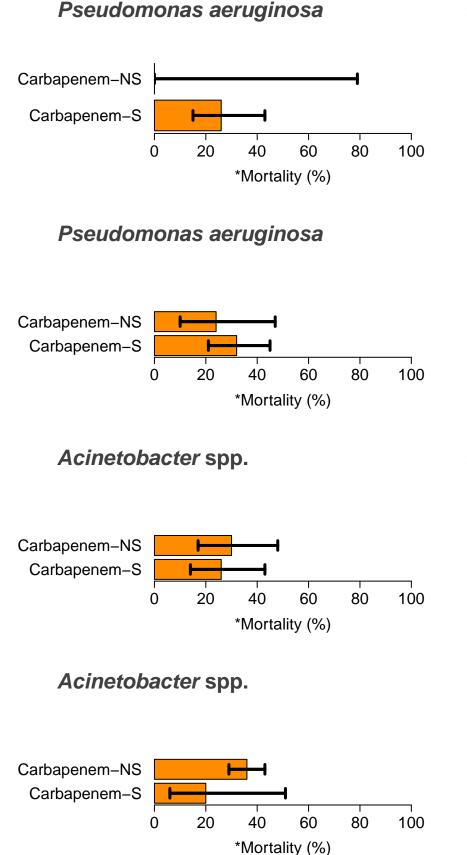
Hospital-origin

(No. of patients = 124)

Type of pathogen	Mortality (n)	95% CI
Carbapenem-NS	36% (5/14)	16%–61%
3GC–NS	22% (24/108)	15%–31%
Carbapenem–S and 3GC–S	0% (0/2)	0%–66%

\*Mortality is the proportion (%) of in-hospital deaths (all-cause deaths). This represents the number of in-hospital deaths (numerator) over the total number of patients with blood culture positive for the organism and the type of pathogen (denominator). The AMASS application de-duplicates the data by including only the first isolate per patient per specimen type per evaluation period. NS = non-susceptible; S = susceptible; CI = confidence interval; Carbapenem-NS = NS to any carbapenems tested; 3GC-NS = NS to any 3rd-generation cephalosporin and susceptible to carbapenem

# Section [6] Mortality involving AMR and antimicrobial-susceptible infections



Community-origin (No. of patients = 35)

Type of pathogen	Mortality (n)	95% CI
Carbapenem-NS	0% (0/1)	0%–79%
Carbapenem-S	26% (9/34)	15%–43%

Hospital-origin

(No. of patients = 73)

Type of pathogen	Mortality (n)	95% CI
Carbapenem-NS	24% (4/17)	10%–47%
Carbapenem-S	32% (18/56)	21%-45%

Community-origin (No. of patients = 61)

Type of pathogen	Mortality (n)	95% CI
Carbapenem-NS	30% (9/30)	17%–48%
Carbapenem-S	26% (8/31)	14%–43%

Hospital-origin

(No. of patients = 172)

Type of pathogen	Mortality (n)	95% CI
Carbapenem-NS	36% (58/162)	29%-43%
Carbapenem-S	20% (2/10)	6%–51%

\*Mortality is the proportion (%) of in-hospital deaths (all-cause deaths). This represents the number of in-hospital deaths (numerator) over the total number of patients with blood culture positive for the organism and the type of pathogen (denominator). The AMASS application de-duplicates the data by including only the first isolate per patient per specimen type per evaluation period. NS = non-susceptible; S = susceptible; CI = confidence interval; Carbapenem-NS = NS to any carbapenems tested; 3GC-NS = NS to any 3rd-generation cephalosporin and susceptible to carbapenem

# Methods used by the AMASS application

## Data source:

For each run (double–click on AMASS.bat file), the AMASS application used the microbiology data file (microbiology\_data) and the hospital admission data file (hospital\_admission\_data) that were stored in the same folder as the application file. Hence, if the user would like to update, correct, revise or change the data, the data files in the folder should be updated before the AMASS.bat file is double–clicked again. A new report based on the updated data would then be generated.

## **Requirements:**

## - Computer with Microsoft Windows 7 or 10

AMASS may work in other versions of Microsoft Windows and other operating systems. However, thorough testing and adjustment have not been performed.

## - AMASS.zip package file

The AMASS application is to be downloaded from http://www.amass.website, and unzipped to generate an AMASS folder that could be stored under any folder in the computer. The AMASS folder contains 4 files (AMASS.bat, z\_Rcode.R, dictionary\_for\_microbiology\_ data.xlsx, and dictionary\_for\_hospital\_admission\_data.xlsx), and 5 folders (Variables, Rprogram, Example\_Dataset\_1\_WHONET, Example\_Dataset\_2, and ResultData).

## - Microbiology data file (microbiology\_data in .csv or .xlsx file format)

The user needs to obtain microbiology data, and then copy & paste this data file into the same folder as the AMASS.bat file.

## - [Optional] Hospital admission data file (hospital\_admission\_data)

If available, the user could obtain hospital admission data, and then copy & paste this data file into the same folder as the AMASS.bat file.

#### Not required:

## - Internet to run AMASS application

The AMASS application will run offline. No data are transferred while the application is running and reports are being generated; the reports are in PDF format (do not contain any patient identifier) and can be shared under the user's jurisdiction.

#### – R

The download package (AMASS.zip) included R portable and R libraries that the AMASS application requires. The user does not need to install any programme before using the AMASS. The user also does not have to uninstall R prgramme if the computer already has the R prgramme installed. The user does not need to know how to use R prgramme.

#### Note:

[1] Please ensure that the file names of microbiology data file (microbiology\_data) and the hospital admission data file (hospital\_admission\_data) are identical to what is written here. Please make sure that all are lower–cases with an underscore '\_' at each space.

[2] Please ensure that both microbiology and hospital admission data files have no empty rows before the row of the variable names (i.e. the variable names are the first row in both files).

[3] For the first run, an user may need to fill the data dictionary files to make sure that the AMASS application understands your variable names and values.

AMASS uses a tier-based approach. In cases when only the microbiology data file with the results of culture positive samples is available, only section one and two would be generated for users. Section three would be generated only when data on admission date are available. This is because these data are required for the stratification by origin of infection. Section four would be generated only when data of specimens with culture negative (no microbial growth) are available in the microbiology data. This is because these are required for the sample-based approach. Section five would be generated only when both data of specimens with culture negative and admission date are available. Section six would be generated only when mortality data are available.

Mortality was calculated from the number of in-hospital deaths (numerator) over the total number of patients with blood culture positive for the organism (denominator). Please note that this is the all-cause mortality calculated using the outcome data in the data file, and may not necessarily represent the mortality directly due to the infections.

#### How to use data dictionary files

In cases when variable names in the microbiology and hospital admission data files were not the same as the one that AMASS used, the data dictionary files could be edited. The raw microbiology and hospital admission data files were to be left unchanged. The data dictionary files provided could be edited and re–used automatically when the microbiology and hospital admission data files were updated and the AMASS.bat were to be double–clicked again (i.e. the data dictionary files would allow the user to re–analyze data files without the need to adjust variable names and data value again every time). For example:

If variable name for 'hospital number' is written as 'hn' in the raw data file, the user would need to add 'hn' in the cell next to 'hospital\_number'. If data value for blood specimens is defined by 'Blood–Hemoculture' in the raw data file, then the user would need to add 'Blood–Hemoculture' in the cell next to 'blood\_specimen'.

Dictionary file (dictionary\_for\_microbiology\_data.xlsx) may show up as in the table below:

Variable names used in AMASS	Variable names used in your microbiology data file	Requirements
Don't change values in this column, but you can add rows with similar values if you need	Change values in this column to represent how variable names are written in your raw	
hospital_number	microbiology data file	Required
Values described in AMASS	Values used in your microbiology data file	Requirements
blood_specimen		Required

Please fill in your variable names as follows:

Variable names	Variable names used in	Requirements
used in AMASS	your microbiology data file	
Don't change values in this	Change values in this column to	
column, but you can add rows	represent how variable names	
with similar values if you need	are written in your raw	
	microbiology data file	
hospital_number	hn	Required
Values described in AMASS	Values used in your	Requirements
	microbiology data file	
blood_specimen	Blood-Hemoculture	Required

Then, save the file. For every time the user double–clicked AMASS.bat, the application would know that the variable named 'hn' is similar to 'hospital\_number' and represents the patient identifier in the analysis.

#### Organisms included in this report:

- Staphylococcus aureus
- Enterococcus spp.
- Streptococcus pneumoniae
- Salmonella spp.
- Escherichia coli
- Klebsiella pneumoniae
- Pseudomonas aeruginosa
- Acinetobacter spp.

The eight organisms and antibiotics included in the report were selected based on the global priority list of antibiotic resistant bacteria and Global Antimicrobial Resistance Surveillance System (GLASS) of WHO [1,2].

## **Definitions:**

The definitions of infection origin proposed by the WHO GLASS was used [1]. In brief, community–origin bloodstream infection (BSI) was defined for patients in the hospital within the first two calendar days of admission when the first blood culture positive specimens were taken. Hospital–origin BSI was defined for patients in the hospital longer than the first calendar days of admission when the first blood culture positive specimens were taken. In cases when the user had additional data on infection origin defined by infection control team or based on referral data, the user could edit the data dictionary file (variable name 'infection\_origin') and the AMASS application would use the data of that variable to stratify the data by origin of infection instead of the above definition. However, in cases when data on infection origin were not available (as in many hospitals in LMICs), the above definition would be calculated based on admission date and specimen collection date (with cutoff of 2 calendar days) and used to classify infections as community–origin or hospital–origin.

## **De-duplication:**

When more than one blood culture was collected during patient management, duplicated findings of the same patient were excluded (de–duplicated). Only one result was reported for each patient per sample type (blood) and surveyed organisms (listed above). For example, if two blood cultures from the same patient had *E. coli*, only the first would be included in the report. If there was growth of *E. coli* in one blood culture and of *K. pneumoniae* in the other blood culture, then both results would be reported. One would be for the report on *E. coli* and the other one would be for the report on *K. pneumoniae*.

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