



# **Antibiotic Resistance: What lie Beneath?**

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- Gram-positive resistance bacteria  
MRSA, VRE
- Gram-negative resistance bacteria  
Intrinsic resistance vs Plasmid resistance
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- Summary : Q and A

No disclosure

# Bad Bugs, No Drugs: No ESKAPE! An Update from the Infectious Diseases Society of America

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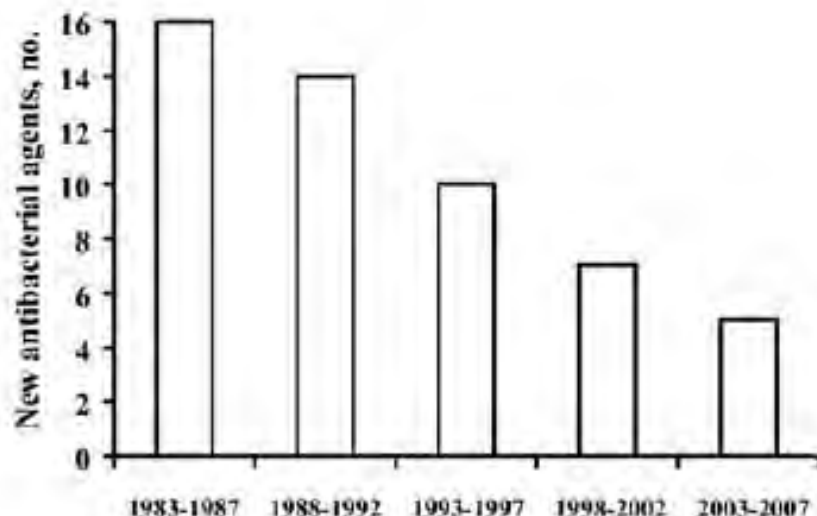


Figure 1. New antibacterial agents approved in the United States, 1983–2007, per 5-year period [2, 3].

เชื้อจุลชีพดื้อยาที่มากขึ้น

ไม่มียาปฏิชีวนะใหม่

ไม่มีทางหนี?

ESKAPE

--- กลุ่มเชื้อจุลชีพดื้อยาหลัก

*E. coli*,

*Salmonella*, *Stenotrophomonas*, *Serratia*  
*Klebsiella* spp.

*Acinetobacter baumannii*

*Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Proteus* spp.

*Enterobacter* spp.



# เชื้อจุลินทรีย์ดื้อยา (Multi-Drug Resistant Pathogens)

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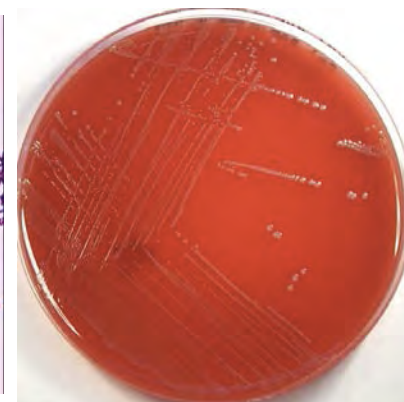
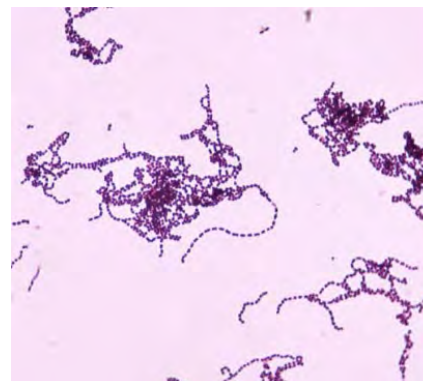
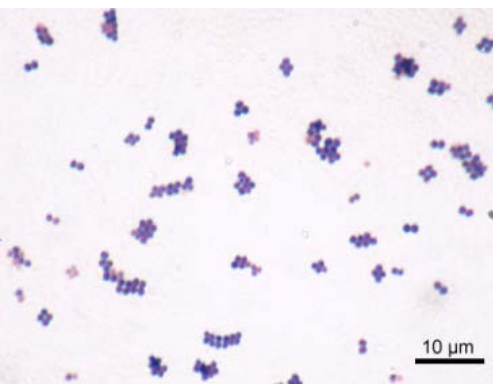
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**What is this MDR bug?**

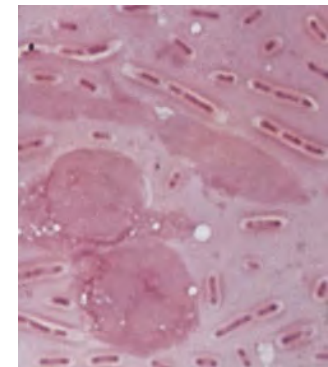
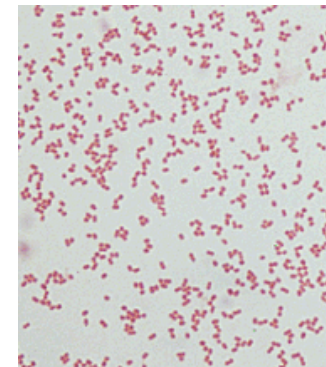
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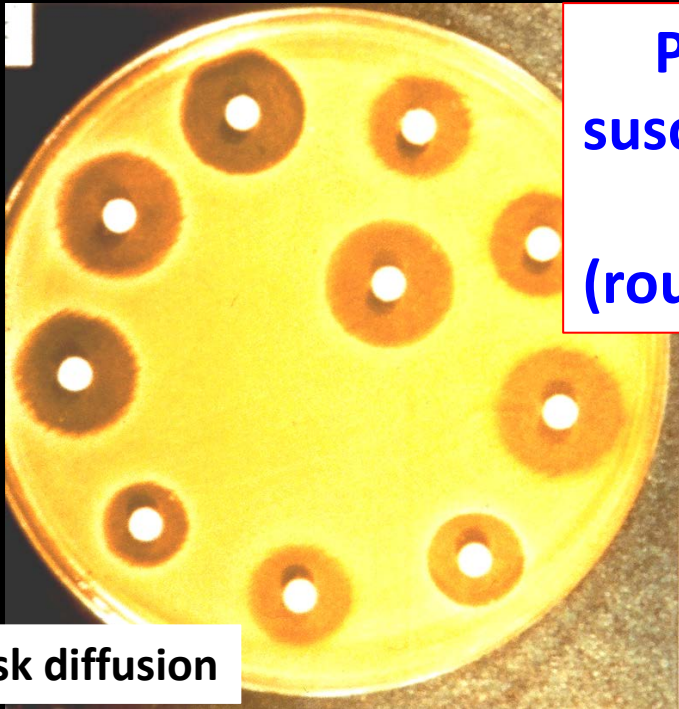
**MRSA (Methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*)**

### Gram-negative bacteria

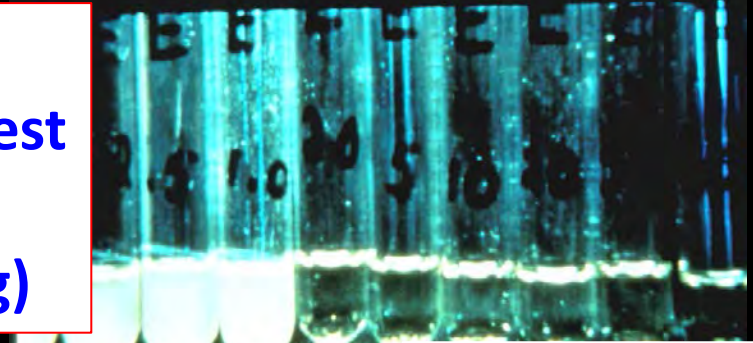
- Family Enterobacteriaceae (ESBL, CRE, AmpC)
  - *E. coli*, *Klebsiella*, *Enterobacter*,  
*Proteus*, *Salmonella*, *Shigella*, *Citrobacter*, *Serratia*
- Nonfermenters - *Pseudomonase aeruginosa*
  - *Stenotrophomonas multocida*
  - *Acinetobacter baumaunnii*



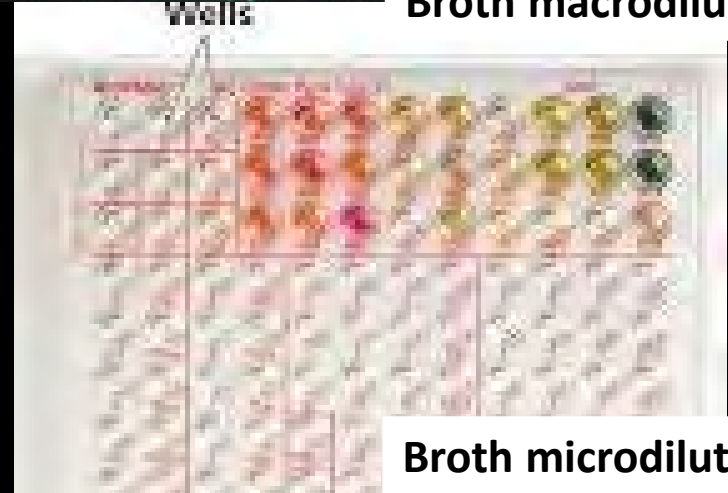
**Phenotypic  
susceptibility test  
(routine testing)**



**Disk diffusion**



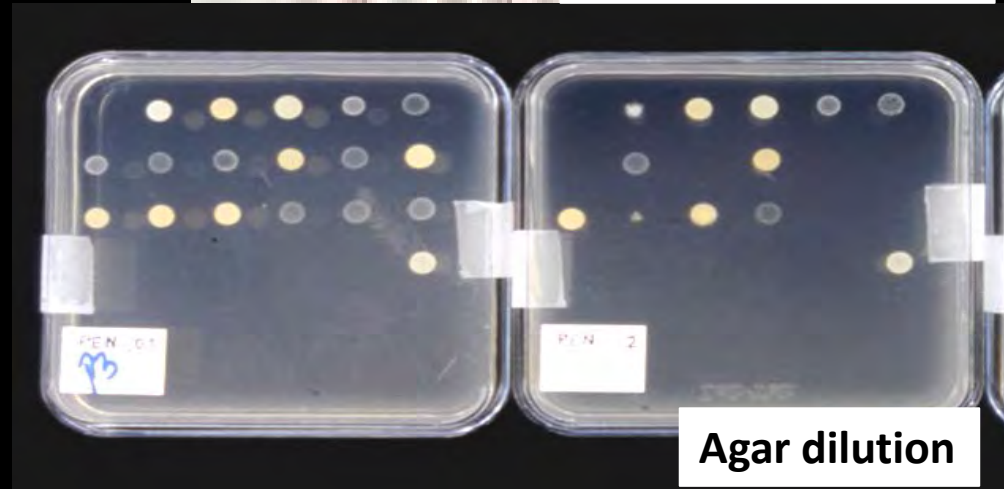
**Broth macrodilution**



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**E-test**

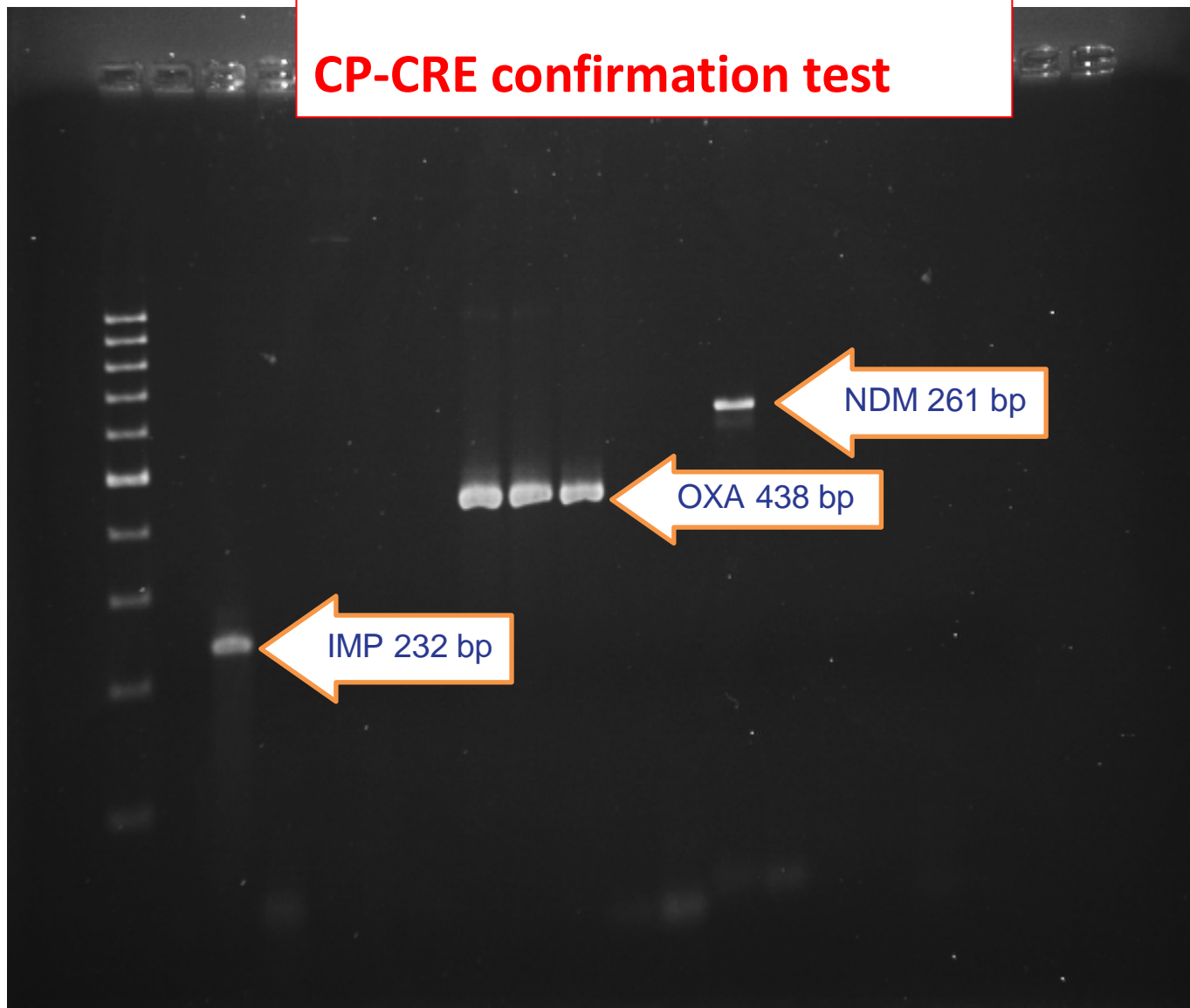


**Agar dilution**



ผลการทำ PCR

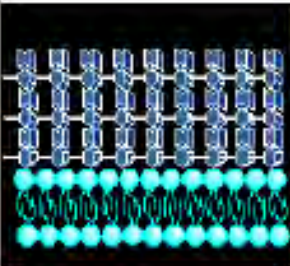
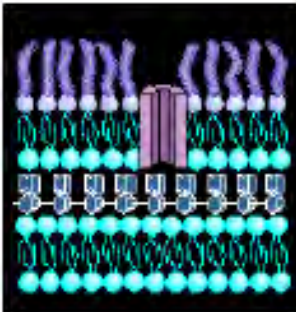
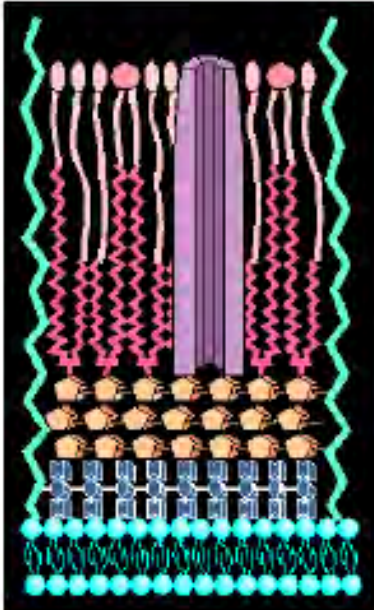








**Genotypic /**  
**CP-CRE confirmation test**





# Comparison of gram-positive, gram-negative and mycobacterial cell walls

## THE BACTERIAL CELL WALL

Gram-positive organisms	Gram-negative organisms	Mycobacteria
<p>The lipid bilayer cell membrane of most of the Gram-positive bacteria is covered by a porous peptidoglycan layer which does not exclude most antimicrobial agents.</p> 	<p>Gram-negative bacteria are surrounded by two membranes. The outer membrane functions as an efficient permeability barrier because it contains lipopolysaccharides (LPS) and porins.</p> 	<p>Mycobacteria produce a thick mycolate-rich outer covering which functions as an exceptionally efficient barrier.</p> 
 lipid bilayer	 peptidoglycan  arabinogalactan	 lipid + LPS  porins  MYCOLATE  acyl lipids  LAM

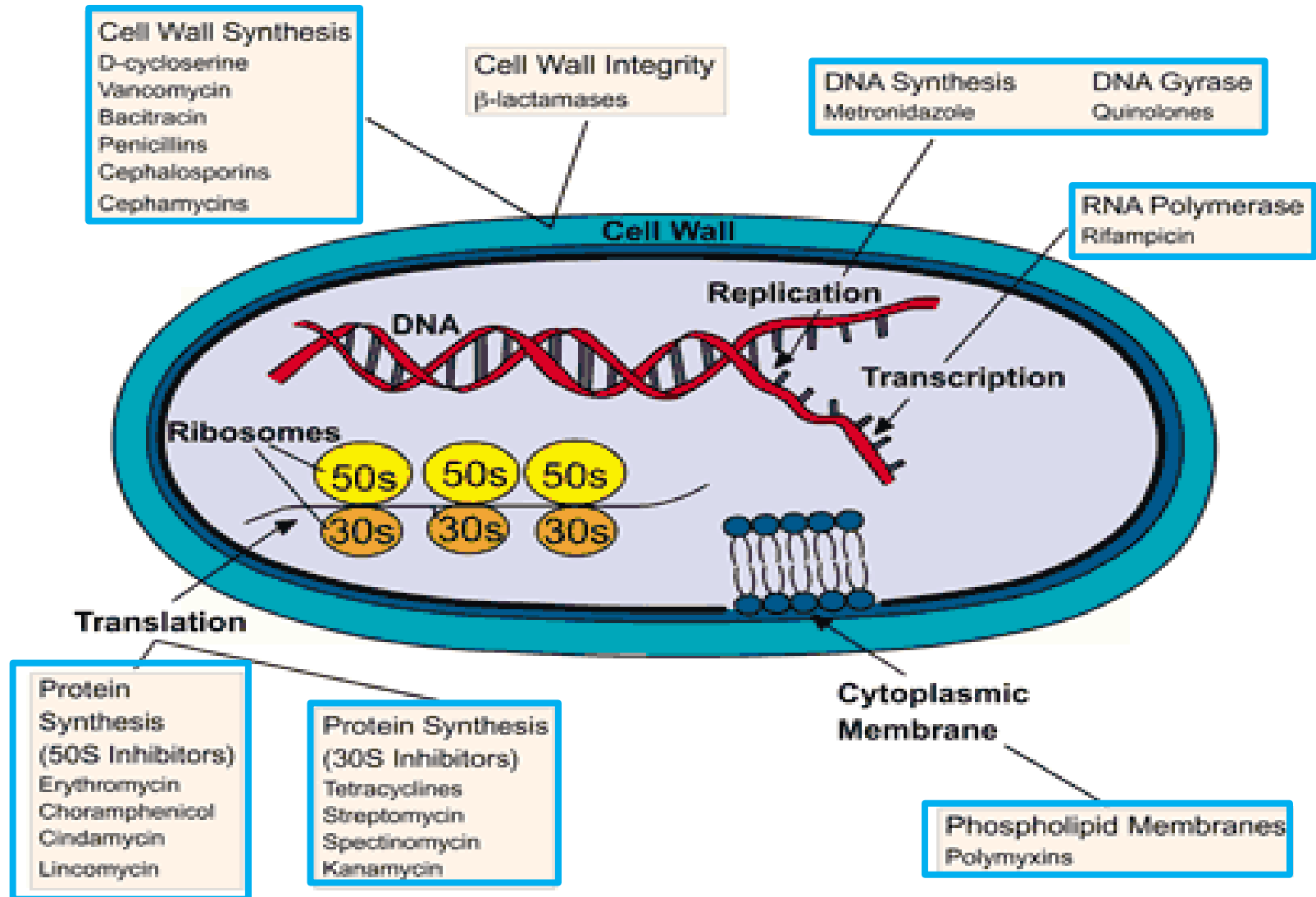


# Antibiotics: Mechanism of action

Mechanism of action	Antimicrobial agents
Inhibition of cell wall synthesis *	Betalactams (penicillins, cephalosporins, aztreonam, carbapenem) vancomycin
Inhibition of bacterial protein synthesis #	Aminoglycosides, chloramphenicol, macrolides, tetracyclines, streptogramins, linezolid
Inhibition of nucleic synthesis *	Fluoroquinolones, rifampin
Inhibition of folic acid synthesis	Sulfonamides*, trimethoprim, # pyrimethamine
Disruption of cell membrane function *	Colistin Azole and polyene antifungal agents

**Bacteriocidal\* vs Bacteriostatic#**

# Site of Actions of Antimicrobial Agents



# Active Surveillance MRSA

- **Recommended by SHEA/CDC**

Legislated in some states in the US

- **Methods**

- Chromogenic agar media

- Molecular methods

- Variety of platforms

- Sensitivity: 88-100%;

- Specificity: 92-99 %

- Problems

- *mecA* dropouts

- Some MR-CoNs may test positive

- False negatives have also been reported due to emergent strains with unusual genotypes



***S. aureus***

**= Coagulase test positive**

Muto CA, et al. *Infect Control Hosp Epidemiol* 2003;24:362. Peterson LR, et al. *J Clin Microbiol* 2010;48:1661; Arbefeville SS, et al 2011; *J Clin Microbiol* 49:2996; Malhotra-Kumar et al 2010; *J Clin Microbiology* 48:4598



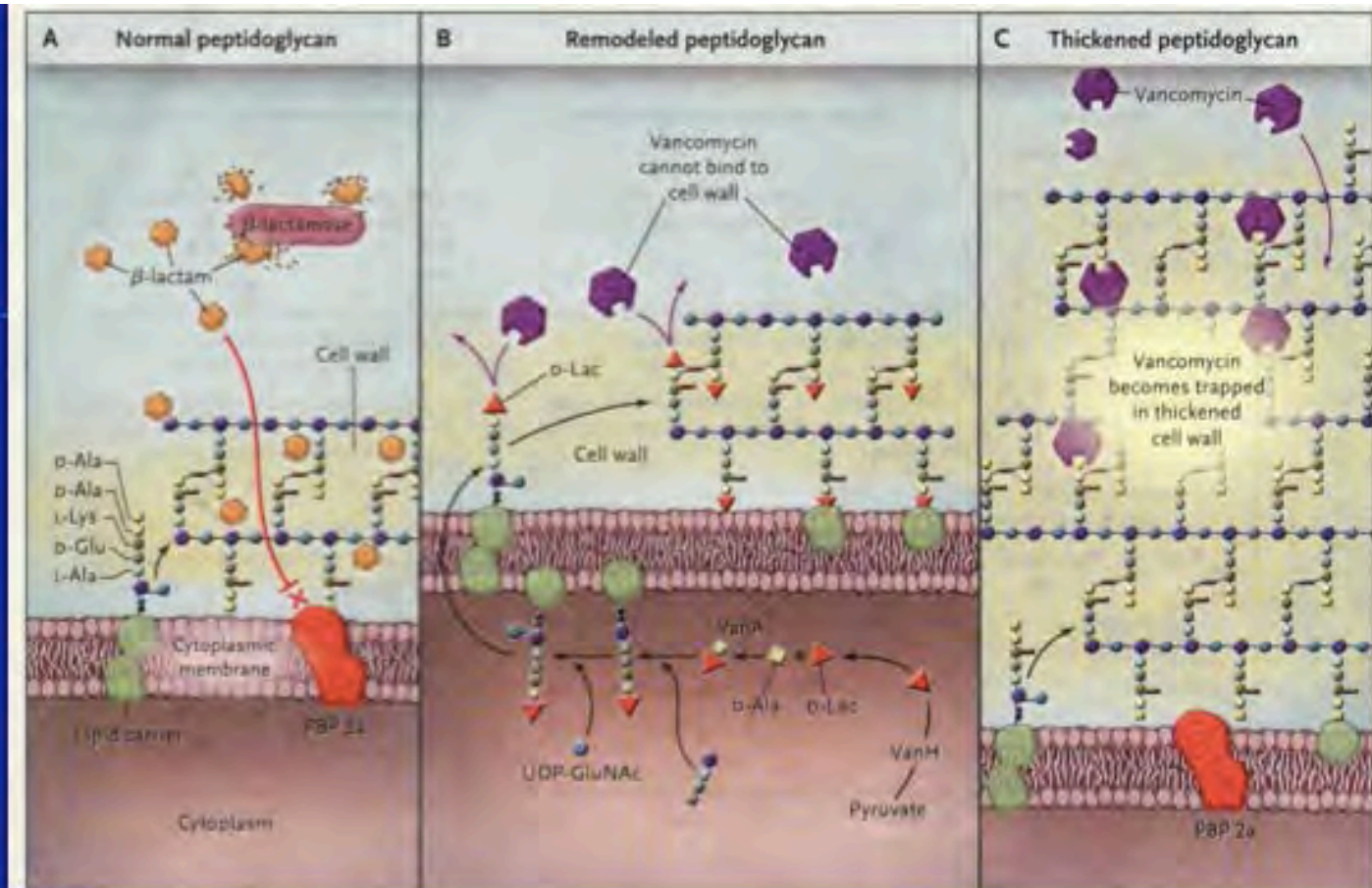
# *Staphylococcus aureus*

- **Isolation procedure**
- 5% Sheep blood Agar (broth may enhance recovery)
- Incubation: 18-24 hr

## **Selective agars:**

- **CNA** (Columbia Colistin-nalidixic acid agars)
- **Mannitol salt agar**
- Lipase-salt-mannitol agar (Remel)
- CHROMagar *Staph aureus*  
(CHROMagar, Paris, France)
- **BBL CHROMagar *Staph aureus*\***  
(BD-Diagnostics)
- *S. aureus* ID (bioMérieux, France)





**MRSA: Altered penicillin-binding protein (PBP2a)** mecA gene  
**VRSA: D-lactate replaces D-alanine as the last amino acid of** VanA  
**peptidoglycan precursors**  
**VISA: Thickened peptidoglycan layer traps vancomycin**

NEJM-review, IDSA Guideline for MRSA treatment, Endocarditis treatment MSSA vs MRSA  
 Definition, Mechanism of resistance, CA-MRSA vs HA-MRSA (USA type, Scc type)

# Vancomycin Resistance in *S. aureus*

Strain	Definition	Genetic event	Mechanism/Significance
Pen Resistance		Penicillinase	Enzyme Modification
<b>MRSA</b>	Meth/Ox resistance	<i>mecA</i>	<b>PBP2a</b> <i>Normal Cell wall</i>
Vanc suscept <i>S. aureus</i> - <b>VSSA</b>	<b>MIC <math>\leq 2</math> <math>\mu\text{g/mL}</math></b>	-	
Vanco-intermediate <i>S. aureus</i> ( <b>VISA</b> )	MIC <b>4-8 <math>\mu\text{g/mL}</math></b>	Unknown; ? <i>vraSR</i> & <i>graSR</i> mutation Cui AAC 2009; 53:1231	<b>-Thickened cell wall</b> - increased vanco binding
Vanco-resistant <i>S. aureus</i> ( <b>VRSA</b> )	MIC $\geq$ <b>16 <math>\mu\text{g/mL}</math></b>	<b><i>vanA</i> from VR <i>E. faecalis</i></b>	<b><u>Remodeled Cell Wall</u></b> D-ala-D-ala to D-ala-D-lactate

**Vancomycin MIC creeping (MIC > 1) → more treatment failure  
→ Vancomycin should not be avoided.**

Use: Linezolid/ Daptomycin/ Ceftaroline

Endocarditis, Severe Pneumonia, Severe Skin infection, Osteomyelitis

Need to monitor Vancomycin MIC and vancomycin trough level (drug level)



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(CLSI: M100S27)

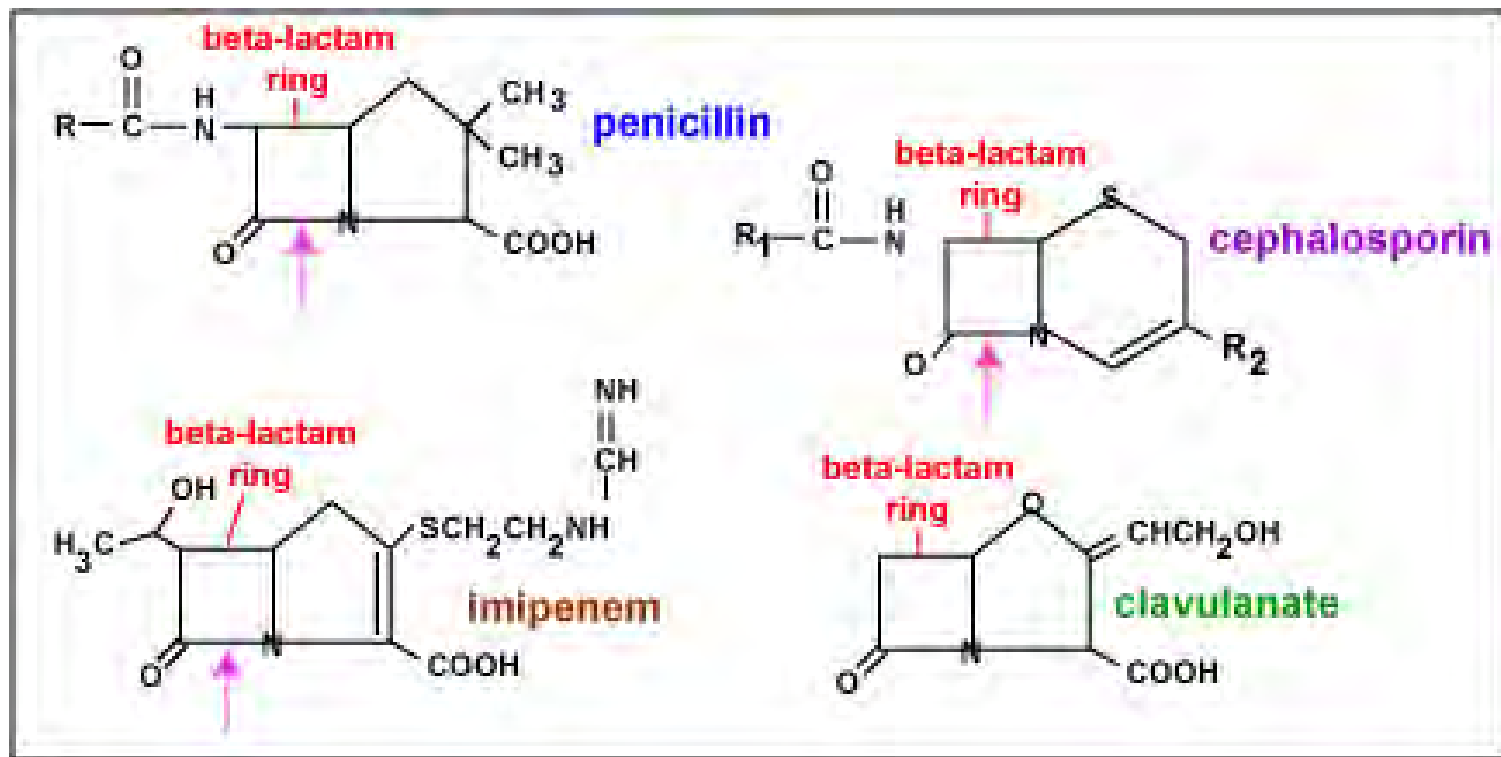
Table 2C. *Staphylococcus* spp. (Continued)

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Test/Report Group	Antimicrobial Agent	Disk Content	Interpretive Categories and Zone Diameter Breakpoints (nearest whole mm)			Interpretive Categories and MIC Breakpoints (µg/mL)			Comments
			S	I	R	S	I	R	
GLYCOPEPTIDES									
(19) For <i>S. aureus</i> , vancomycin-susceptible isolates may become vancomycin intermediate during the course of prolonged therapy.									
B	Vancomycin (For <i>S. aureus</i> )	—	—	—	—	≤2	4–8	≥16	For use with <i>S. aureus</i> .  (20) MIC tests should be performed to determine the susceptibility of all isolates of staphylococci to vancomycin. The disk test does not differentiate vancomycin-susceptible isolates of <i>S. aureus</i> from vancomycin-intermediate isolates, nor does the test differentiate among vancomycin-susceptible, -intermediate, and -resistant isolates of CoNS, all of which give similar size zones of inhibition.  (21) Send any <i>S. aureus</i> for which the vancomycin is ≥ 8 µg/mL to a reference laboratory. See Appendix A.  Also refer to Table 3G for <i>S. aureus</i> , Subchapter 3.13.1.7 in M07-A10, and Subchapter 3.9.1.7 in M02-A12.
B	Vancomycin (For CoNS)	—	—	—	—	≤4	8–16	≥32	For use with CoNS.  See comment (20).  (22) Send any CoNS for which the vancomycin MIC is ≥ 32 µg/mL to a reference laboratory. See Appendix A.  See also Subchapter 3.13.1.7 in M07-A10, and Subchapter 3.9.1.7 in M02-A12.
Inv.	Teicoplanin	—	—	—	—	≤8	16	≥32	
LIPOGLYCOPEPTIDES									
C	Oritavancin	—	—	—	—	≤0.12	—	—	See comment (17).
C	Telavancin	—	—	—	—	≤0.12	—	—	See comment (17).
LIPOPEPTIDES									
B	Daptomycin	—	—	—	—	≤1	—	—	(23) Daptomycin should not be reported for isolates from the respiratory tract.

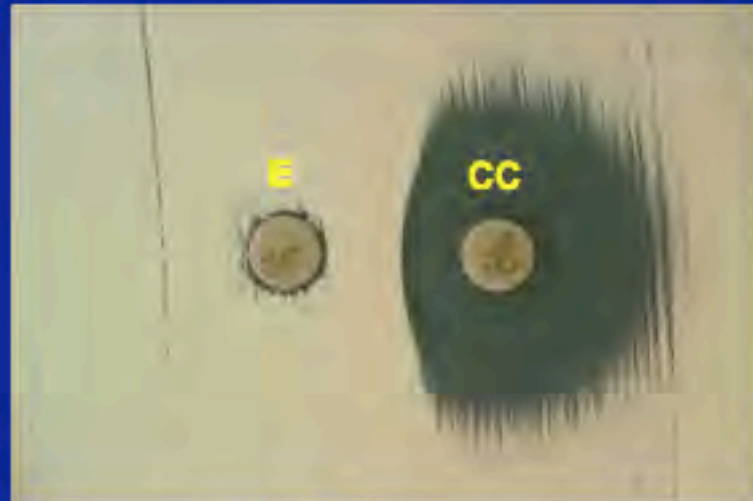
**MRSA: Vancomycin test = MIC only**  
**No disk diffusion breakpoint**

# $\beta$ – Lactams



Can we use carbapenem for MRSA?

# D-zone test for Inducible Clindamycin Resistance due to $MLS_B$



**-Perform on all erythro-R, clinda- S *S. aureus* isolates**

**D- test:** Micro labs report should be....

Erythromycin-Resistance

Clindamycin-Resistance

(Macrolide-inducible clindamycin resistance)



# Active Surveillance

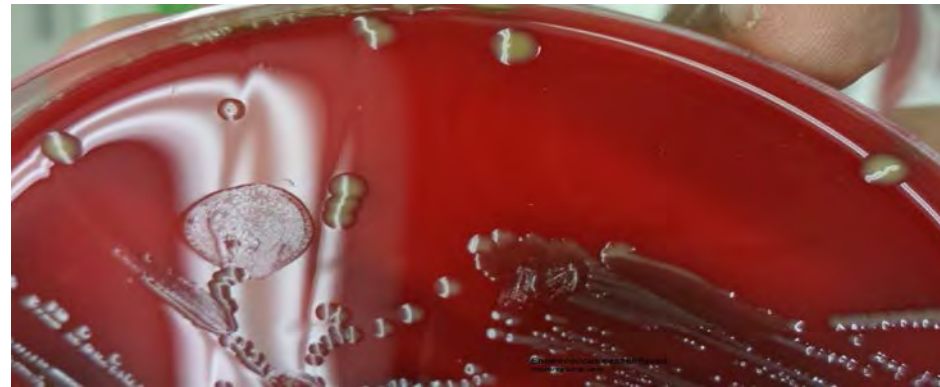
## Vancomycin Resistant Enterococci (VRE)

### Recommended by SHEA

- Active surveillance for high risk institutions
- Vigorous infection control practices
  - Isolation of colonized patients
  - Use of barrier precautions
  - Hand hygiene
  - Control antibiotic pressure

### •Methods

- Stool culture
  - BHI with 6  $\mu\text{g/ml}$  (or higher) of vancomycin
  - Chromogenic agars
  - Molecular methods are non-specific



# *Enterococcus spp*

- Vancomycin-resistant enterococci (VRE): US
- 1<sup>st</sup>=1993(0.3%), 2006-2007= over 12%
- Increased mortality, liver transplant, HD,
- BMT patients (screening for VRE colonizations)
  
- *E. faecalis*: most common isolates (80-90%), VRE= 2%
- *E. faecium*: 5-10%, \*VRE = 60-80%
  
- \* VanA, VanB gene = Acquired resistance → Isolation
  
- *E. casseliflavus*, *E. gallinarum*, *E. raffinosus*...etc

## Current Rapid Screening Methods for Gastrointestinal Colonization of Vancomycin-Resistant Enterococci

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**Table 1. Glycopeptide resistance in enterococci**

Characteristic <sup>a</sup>	Value							
	<i>vanA</i>	<i>vanB</i> <sup>b</sup>	<i>vanC</i> <sup>b</sup>	<i>vanD</i> <sup>b</sup>	<i>vanE</i>	<i>vanG</i> <sup>b</sup>	<i>vanL</i>	<i>vanM</i>
Type of resistance	Acquired	Acquired	Intrinsic	Acquired	Acquired	Acquired	Acquired	Acquired
MIC (μg/ml)								
Vancomycin	64–1,000	8–1,000	2–32	64–128	8–32	16	8	>256
Teicoplanin	6–512	0.5–1	0.5–1	4–64	0.5	0.5	8	0.75–48
Location of <i>van</i> gene	Plasmid, chromosome	Plasmid, chromosome	Chromosome	Chromosome	Chromosome	Chromosome	Unknown	Plasmid
Gene product	D-Ala-D-Lac <sup>c</sup>	D-Ala-D-Lac	D-Ala-D-Ser <sup>d</sup>	D-Ala-D-Lac	D-Ala-D-Ser	D-Ala-D-Ser	D-Ala-D-Ser	D-Ala-D-Lac

<sup>a</sup>Data from references 1, 20, 44, and 45.

<sup>b</sup>Subtypes exist: *vanB* (1 to 3), *vanC* (1 to 4), *vanD* (1 to 5), *vanG* (1 and 2).

<sup>c</sup>D-Alanine-D-lactate.

<sup>d</sup>D-Alanine-D-serine.



## Mechanism of GN resistance

- **Enzymatic resistance**
  - Non-enzymatic resistance**
- **Acquired (plasmid/transferrable resistance)**
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(hydrolytic enz)  
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(several bla genes)

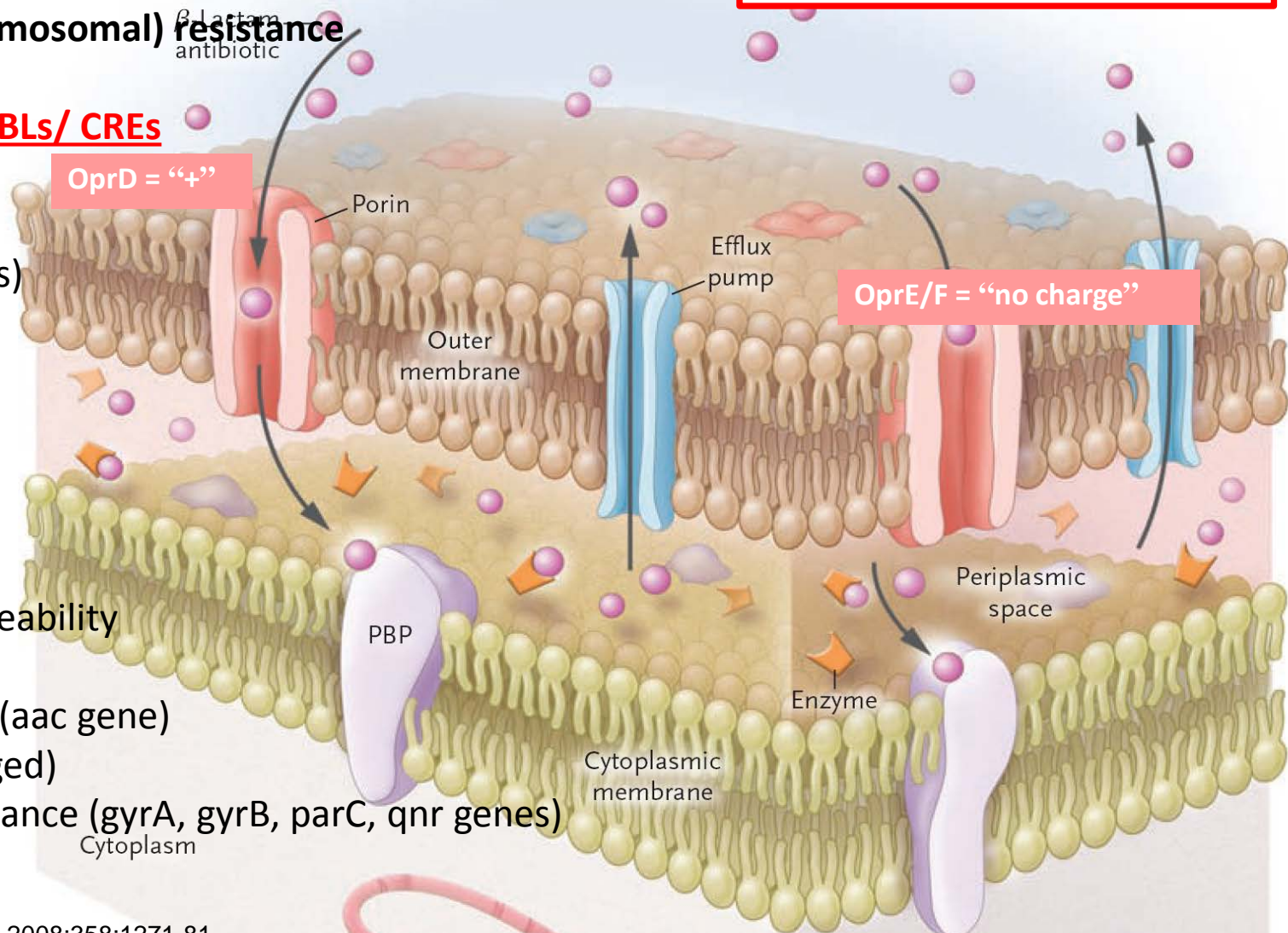
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OprD = “+”

Porin

$\beta$ -lactam antibiotic

**Enterobacteriaceae** → **ESBLs/CREs** ยีนดื้อยา →  
**Plasmid** transfer (mainly) → \*\*\*แพร่กระจายในวงกว้าง  
→ \*\*\* ต้องแยกผู้ป่วย / **need isolation**

- **Nonfermenters** → non-plasmid transfer (mainly)  
→ **+/- isolation**

Enzyme

Cytoplasmic membrane

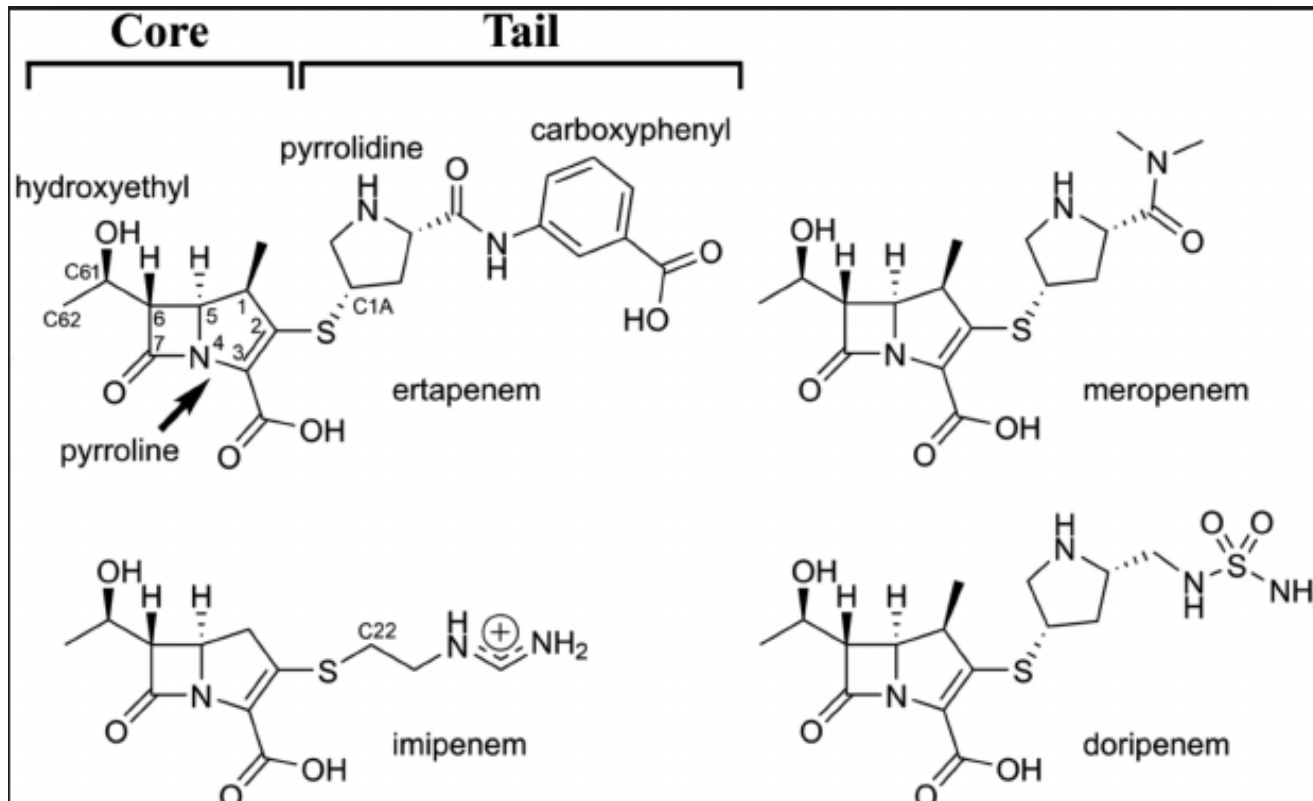
Cytoplasm

# CRE vs CPE (CP-CRE)

## Carbapenem resistant Enterobacteriaceae

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Carbapenem = Broad spectrum antibiotic = ยาฆ่าเชื้อระดับเทพ



# CRE vs CPE (CP-CRE)

- **Definition**

- **CRE** = Carbapenem Resistance Enterobacteriaceae

[CDC 2015 definition](#)

Resistance to imipenem, meropenem, doripenem or ertapenem  
**OR** documentation that the isolate produce carbapenemase

- **CP-CRE** = Carbapenem-Producing Enterobacteriaceae

→ plasmid transferable gene (carbapenemase)

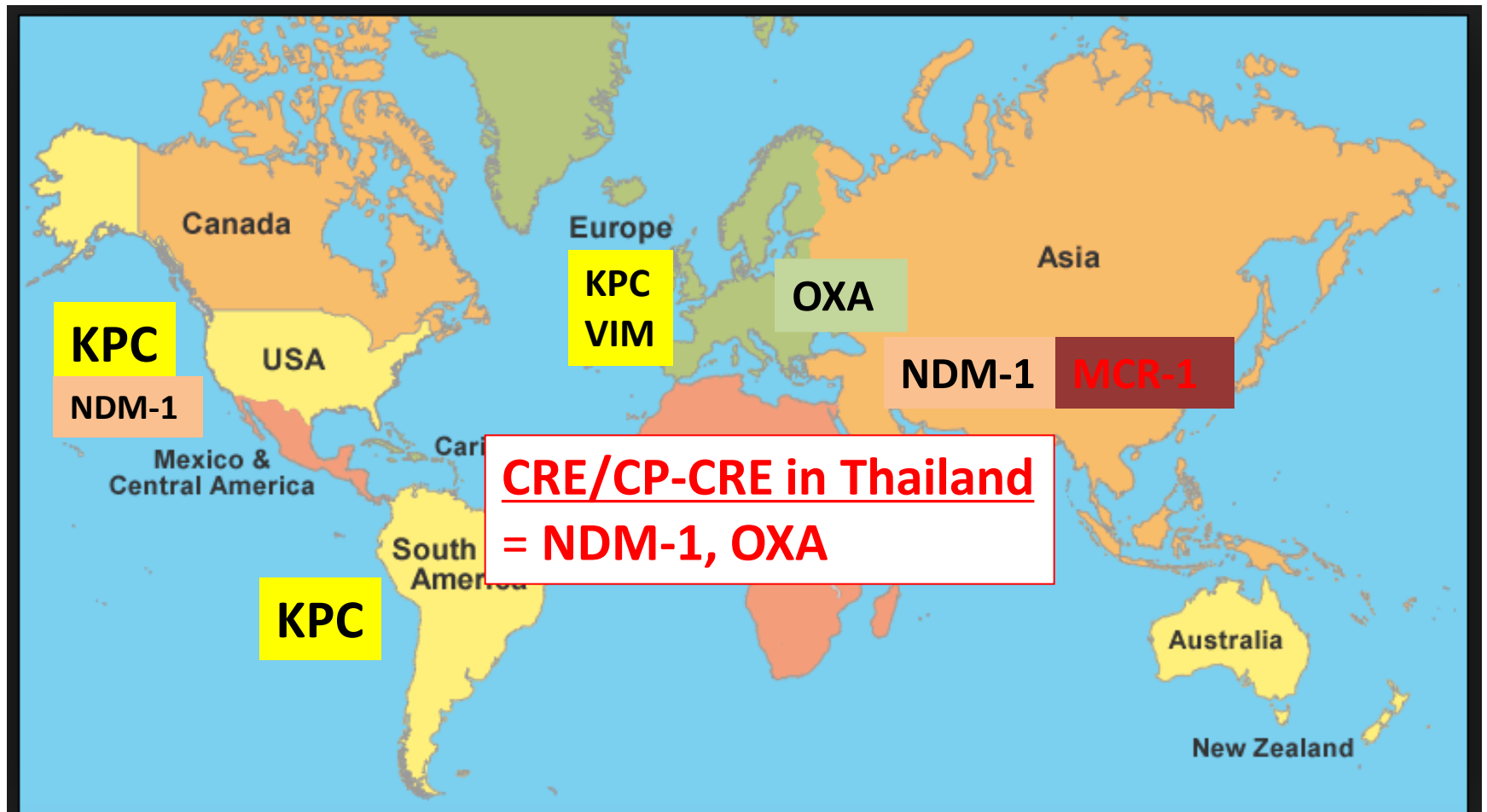
→ → Infection control implementation needed

CDC; Healthcare associated infection



# CRE vs CPE (CP-CRE)

## Carbapenem resistant Enterobacteriaceae



Variable in **geographic distribution** (Genotypic resistance)