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## The Organism

#### Commensal

- Colonizes nares, axillae, vagina, pharynx, and/or damaged skin surfaces
- Infection occur w/breach of skin or mucosal barriers
- Major cause of invasive infections
- Major cause of healthcare associated (HA) and community associated (CA) Infections

Boucher et al CID 2010:51 (Suppl2) pp 183-197 Welsh et al J of Clin Micro Mar 2010 pp894-899



## The Organism

- Emergence of drug-resistant strains in 1960s, MRSA
  - Therapeutic challenge
- Account for >50% of all strains causing clinical disease
- MRSA is etiologic agent for common skin infections to more serious manifestations
- Molecular Diagnostic Techniques
  - Rapid identification
- Newer antimicrobials not established as safe and effective in children
- Limited pharmacokinetic data

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#### Antibiotic Resistance to S. aureus

- Decade after introduction of Pen in 1950s, antibiotic resistance present in hospitals in US
- First case reported in UK after introduction of semi synthetic penicillins
- In US, 7 years later case of MRSA documented
- Mid 1980s, MRSA seen in large urban medical centers
  - Prevalence rate 5 10%
  - Smaller community hospitals, 20%
  - Larger urban centers, 40%



#### **Incidence of MRSA Infections**

- EU MRSA affects >150,000 patients annually
- Pan-European Surveillance data on bloodstream infections
  - Marked variability among EU member states on proportion of *S. aureus* that is MRSA
    - <1% >50%
- Initially nosocomial pathogen limited to healthcare facilities
- Emerged as major community associated organism
- Initial cases of MRSA in non-hospitalized adults associated with:
  - Drug abuse
  - Previous antimicrobial therapy
  - Prior hospitalization

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#### **Incidence of MRSA**

1990s, CA-MRSA no identified risk factors in children

#### Retrospective Study demonstrated

- Prevalence of CA-MRSA w/o identified factors increased from 10 per 100,000/admission in 1988 -1990 to 259/100,000 in 1993 – 1995 urban hospital
- Rapid development of resistance
- Resistance to Pen noted a year after introduction
- 1950s 75% of strains in large hospitals Pen resistant

NEJM 1955;253: 909-22 Herold et al JAMA 1998; 279:593-8



#### **Incidence of MRSA**

- Currently, MRSA accounts for 60% of clinical S. aureus from ICU
- Retrospective study by Aragon et al Jan 2007-Dec 2008
  - Reviewed 219 records
  - # 40.64% had MSSA
  - 15.07% had CA MRSA
  - 44.3% had HA MRSA
  - Prevalence of CA MRSA is 7 per 1000 admissions



#### **Mortality of MRSA and MSSA**





#### MRSA SURVEILLANCE RATES 2003-2007: ANTIMICROBIAL RESISTANCE SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM (ARSP)



Carlos C, ARSP



#### **PCMC Data: Selected Years**



Manahan-Soriano C, Samulde-Ressurreccion, Santos J, MD, MRSA in Children, 2003



## Percentage of MRSA over total *S. aureus* isolates at PCMC from 2004-2008





## What are MRSA'S?

- oxacillin MIC ≥ 4 mcg/mL\*
- MIC's of 4 to 8 mcg/mL : borderline or low level resistance
- resistant to all beta-lactams, including cephalosporins
- mediated by mecA gene, found in all resistant strains, which codes for PBP2a\*\*
- mecA is part of mobile Staphylococcal cassette chromosome or SCCmec (5 types)\*\*\*

<sup>\*</sup>Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute 2006

<sup>\*\*</sup>Inglis et al, J Gen Microbiol 1988 ; Tesch et al, Antimicrob Agents Chemother 1988

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Oliveira et al, Microb Drug Resist 2001 ; Ito et al, Antimicrob Agents Chemother 2004



### **Classification of MRSA**

#### HA-MRSA\*

- -presence of an invasive device at the time of admission
- -history of MRSA infection or colonization

-history of surgery, hospitalization, dialysis, or residence in a long-term care facility in the 12 months preceding culture

#### CA-MRSA\*\*

onset in the community in a patient who is without risk factors for HA-MRSA

\*Klevens et al, JAMA 2007; Fridkin et al, N Engl J Med 2005 \*\* Fridkin et al, N Engl J Med 2005; Gorwitz RJ, Pediatr Infect Dis J. 2008



#### **Microbiological Differences**

#### HA-MRSA

- mostly associated with SCCmec types I, II, and III
- multidrug resistant (usu. to 3 or more agents)\*

CA-MRSA

- associated with SCCmec type IV and, sometimes, type V
- often not multidrug resistant to non-beta lactam agents e.g. clindamycin, fluoroquinolones, tetracyclines, mupirocin\*
- many are PVL + : increased morbidity in children with osteomyelitis and mortality in in *S. aureus* pneumonia\*\*
- resistance increasing

\*Naimi et al, JAMA 2003; Deserinski, Clin Infect Dic 2005; Ma et al, Antimicrob Agents Chemother 2002; \*\* Baba, Lancet 2002; Diep et al, J Infect Dis 2006; Diep et al, Lancet 2006; \*\* Gillet et al, Lancet 2002; Martinez-Aguilar et al, Pediatr Infect Dis J 2004; Bocchini et al, Pediatrics 2006; \*\*\*Han et al, J Clin Microbiol. 2007; Styers et al, Ann Clin Microbiol Antimicrob. 2006



#### **Clinical Presentation**



MRSA (Methicillin resistant Staphylococcus aureus)











#### **Clinical Presentation**

















Mandell, Atlas of Infectious Diseases; cases from Phil. Children's Medical Center



## **Management of MRSA**

- Mainstay of treatment
- Vancomycin is 1<sup>st</sup> line therapy
- Efficacy in children limited
- IDSA has issued 1<sup>st</sup> Clinical Practice Guidelines for treatment of MRSA in adults and children
  - Synthesize current information
  - Address the management of a variety of clinical syndromes



# What is the management of skin and soft-tissue infections (SSTIs) in the era of community-associated MRSA (CA-MRSA)

- Cutaneous abscess
  - Incision and drainage
- Antibiotic therapy
  - Recommended for the following
    - Severe or extensive disease
    - Rapid progression in presence of associated cellulitis
    - Signs and symptoms of systemic illness
    - Associated comorbidities or immunosuppresion
    - Extremes of age
    - Abscess in an area difficult to drain



- Antibiotic therapy
  - Recommended for the following
    - Associated septic phlebitis
    - Lack of response to I & D alone
- Purulent cellulitis
  - Empirical therapy for CA-MRSA pending culture results
  - Empirical therapy for β hemolytic strep not necessary
  - 5 10 days therapy recommended
- Non-purulent cellulitis
  - Empirical therapy for β hemolytic strep recommended
  - Empirical coverage for CA-MRSA recommended if no response to β – lactam therapy



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  - 5 10 days therapy recommended
- Empirical coverage of CA-MRSA with SSTI
  - Oral antibiotic options
    - Clindamycin
    - TMP-SMX
    - Tetracycline
    - Linezolid



- Empirical coverage of CA-MRSA
  - If β hemolytic strep and CA-MRSA desired:
    - Clindamycin alone
    - TMP-SMX
    - Tetracycline + β lactam
    - Linezolid alone
- Use of rifampin as a single agent or as adjunctive therapy for the treatment of SSTI is not recommended



- Hospitalized patients with complicated SSTI
  - Surgical debridement and broad-spectrum antibiotics
  - Empirical therapy for MRSA considered pending culture data
    - Options include the following:
      - Intravenous (IV) vancomycin
      - Oral (PO) or IV linezolid twice daily
      - Daptomycin 4 mg/kg/dose IV once daily
      - Telavancin 10 mg/kg/dose IV once daily
      - Clindamycin 600 mg IV or PO 3 times a day
      - β-lactam antibiotic (eg, cefazolin) may be considered in hospitalized patients with nonpurulent cellulitis with modification to MRSA-active therapy if there is no clinical response
      - Seven to 14 days of therapy is recommended but should be individualized on the basis of the patient's clinical response



#### Cultures are recommended in the following:

- Antibiotic therapy
- Severe local infection
- Signs of systemic illness
- Not responded adequately to initial treatment
- Concern for a cluster or outbreak
- Pediatric considerations
  - Children with minor skin infections
    - Mupirocin 2% topical ointment can be used
  - Tetracyclines not used in children < 8 years</p>



#### Pediatric considerations

- Hospitalized children with cSSTI
  - Vancomycin recommended
  - Empirical therapy with clindamycin 10–13 mg/kg/dose IV every 6–8 h is an option if the clindamycin resistance rate is low
  - Linezolid 600 mg PO/IV twice daily for children ≥12 years of age and 10 mg/kg/dose PO/IV every 8 h for children <12 years of age is an alternative



#### What is the management of recurrent MRSA SSTIs

- Preventive education messages on personal hygiene
- Appropriate wound care
- Environmental hygiene measures
- Decolonization considered in selected cases if:
  - Develops a recurrent SSTI despite optimizing wound care and hygiene measures
  - Ongoing transmission in household
- Decolonization strategies offered
  - Nasal decolonization with mupirocin twice daily for 5–10 days



- Oral antimicrobial therapy recommended for the treatment of active infection
- An oral agent in combination with rifampin, if the strain is susceptible
- In cases where household or interpersonal transmission is suspected:
  - Personal and environmental hygiene measures
  - Contacts should be evaluated for evidence of S. aureus infection:
    - Symptomatic contacts should be evaluated and treated
    - Nasal and topical body decolonization strategies considered
    - Nasal and topical body decolonization of asymptomatic household contacts



- Role of cultures in the management of recurrent SSTI is limited:
  - Screening cultures prior to decolonization not routinely recommended
  - Surveillance cultures following a decolonization are not routinely recommended in absence of active infection



# What is the management of MRSA bacteremia and infective endocarditis

Bacteremia and Infective Endocarditis, Native Valve

- Addition of gentamicin to vancomycin not recommended
- Addition of rifampin to vancomycin not recommended
- Clinical assessment to identify source and extent of infection with elimination and/or debridement of other sites of infection should be conducted
- Additional blood cultures 2–4 days after initial positive cultures



- Bacteremia and Infective Endocarditis, Native Valve
  - Evaluation for valve replacement surgery is recommended
    - Large vegetation
    - Occurrence of ≥1 embolic event during the first 2 wks of therapy
    - Severe valvular insufficiency
    - Valvular perforation or dehiscence
    - Decompensated heart failure
    - Perivalvular or myocardial abscess
    - New heart block
    - Persistent fevers or bacteremia



- Infective Endocarditis, Prosthetic Valve
  - Vancomycin + Rifampin every 8 h for at least 6 weeks + Gentamicin every 8 h for 2 weeks
  - Early evaluation for valve replacement surgery
- Pediatric consideration
  - In children, Vancomycin every 6 h is recommended for the treatment of bacteremia and infective endocarditis
  - Duration of therapy 2 to 6 weeks
    - Depending on source, presence of endovascular infection, and metastatic foci of infection
    - Daptomycin 6–10 mg/kg/dose IV once daily may be an option
    - Clindamycin or Linezolid should not be used if there is concern for infective endocarditis or endovascular source of infection
      - May be considered in children whose bacteremia rapidly clears and not related to an endovascular focus



#### Pediatric consideration

- Data insufficient to support routine use of combination in children with bacteremia or infective endocarditis; decision to use combination individualized.
- Echocardiogram is recommended in children
  - Congenital heart disease
  - Bacteremia more than 2–3 days in duration
  - Other clinical findings suggestive of endocarditis



#### What is the management of MRSA pneumonia?

- Hospitalized patients with severe community-acquired pneumonia
  - Therapy for MRSA is recommended pending culture results
- Health care–associated MRSA (HA-MRSA) or CA-MRSA pneumonia
  - IV vancomycin
  - Linezolid
  - Clindamycin
  - If susceptible, recommeded 7–21 days
- MRSA pneumonia complicated
  - Antimicrobial therapy against MRSA used in conjunction with drainage procedures



#### Pediatric considerations

- IV vancomycin is recommended
- If the patient is stable, Clindamycin 10–13 mg/kg/dose IV every 6–8 h used as empirical therapy
- Clindamycin resistance low
- Oral therapy
  - Linezolid 600 mg PO/IV twice daily for children ≥12 years
  - 10 mg/kg/dose every 8 h for children <12 years of age is alternative</p>



# What is the management of MRSA bone and joint infections?

#### Osteomyelitis

- Surgical debridement and drainage mainstay of therapy
- Optimal route of administration antibiotic therapy not established
- Parenteral therapy followed by oral therapy
  - Patient circumstances



#### Osteomyelitis

- Antibiotics for parenteral administration
  - Vancomycin
  - Daptomycin 6 mg/kg/dose IV once daily
  - Antibiotic options
    - TMP-SMX 4 mg/kg/dose twice daily combination with Rifampin 600 mg once daily
    - Linezolid 600 mg twice daily
    - Clindamycin 600 mg every 8 h



#### Osteomyelitis

- Some experts recommend the addition of rifampin
- For patients with concurrent bacteremia, rifampin should be added after clearance of bacteremia.
- Optimal duration of therapy unknown
- Minimum 8-week course is recommended
- Some experts suggest an additional 1–3 months if debridement is not performed of oral rifampin-based combination therapy with TMP-SMX
- Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)
- Erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR) and/or C-reactive protein (CRP) level may be helpful to guide response to therapy



#### Septic Arthritis

- Drainage or debridement of the joint space
- Antibiotic choices for osteomyelitis
- # 3–4-week course of therapy is suggested
- Device-related osteoarticular infections



- Early-onset (<2 months after surgery) or acute hematogenous prosthetic joint infections involving a stable implant with short duration (≤3 weeks) of symptoms and debridement, initiate parenteral therapy plus rifampin for 2 weeks followed by rifampin plus a fluoroquinolone, TMP-SMX, a tetracycline or clindamycin for 3 or 6 months for hips and knees, respectively
- Prompt debridement with device removal whenever feasible is recommended



- For early-onset spinal implant infections, initial parenteral therapy plus rifampin followed by prolonged oral therapy is recommended
- Long-term oral suppressive antibiotics if adequate surgical debridement is not possible should be given in conjunction with rifampin



#### Pediatric considerations

- For children with acute hematogenous MRSA osteomyelitis and septic arthritis, IV vancomycin recommended
  - 3–4-week course for septic arthritis
  - 4–6-week course for osteomyelitis
- Alternatives to vancomycin and clindamycin
  - daptomycin 6 mg/kg/day IV once daily
  - Inezolid 600 mg PO/IV twice daily for children ≥12 years of age
  - 10 mg/kg/dose every 8 h for children <12 years of age</p>



# What is the management of MRSA infections of the CNS?

#### Meningitis

- IV vancomycin
- For CNS shunt infection, shunt removal is recommended, and it should not be replaced until cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) cultures are repeatedly negative



Brain abscess, subdural empyema, spinal epidural abscess

- Neurosurgical evaluation for incision and drainage is recommended
- IV vancomycin for 4–6 weeks.
- Alternatives include the following:
  - Linezolid twice daily
  - TMP-SMX every 8–12 h



- Septic Thrombosis of Cavernous or Dural Venous Sinus
- Surgical evaluation for incision and drainage is recommended
- IV vancomycin for 4–6 weeks.
- Alternatives include the following:
  - Linezolid twice daily
  - TMP-SMX every 8–12 h



## What is the role of adjunctive therapies for the treatment of MRSA infections?

Not routinely recommended

## What are the recommendations for vancomycin dosing and monitoring?

- Data are limited to guide vancomycin dosing in children. IV vancomycin 15 mg/kg/dose every 6 h is recommended in children with serious or invasive disease
- Trough concentrations considered in those with serious infections, such as bacteremia, infective endocarditis, osteomyelitis, meningitis, pneumonia, and severe SSTI (ie, necrotizing fasciitis)



## How should results of vancomycin susceptibility testing be used to guide therapy?

- For susceptible isolates, the patient's clinical response should determine the continued use of vancomycin, independent of the MIC
- If patient with clinical and microbiologic response to vancomycin, then it may be continued with close follow-up
- If patient with no clinical or microbiologic response to vancomycin despite adequate debridement and removal of other foci of infection, an alternative to vancomycin is recommended regardless of MIC
- For isolates resistant to vancomycin, an alternative to vancomycin should be used



# What is the management of MRSA infections in neonates?

#### **Neonatal pustulosis**

- For mild cases with localized disease, topical treatment with mupirocin may be adequate in full-term neonates and young infants
- For localized disease in a premature or very lowbirthweight infant or more-extensive disease involving multiple sites in full-term infants, IV vancomycin or clindamycin is recommended, at least initially, until bacteremia is excluded



#### **Neonatal MRSA sepsis**

- IV vancomycin is recommended
- Clindamycin and linezolid are alternatives for nonendovascular infections





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