

# ATB susceptibility testing

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- Brief summary of the lecture – ATBs
- Methods of ATB susceptibility testing
- Particular resistance phenotypes
- Practical tasks

# Basic terminology

- Empirical x targeted ATB treatment
- Bactericidal X bacteriostatic ATBs
- Primary X secondary ATB resistance

## 460 Zona (KLPN)

Uzavřít

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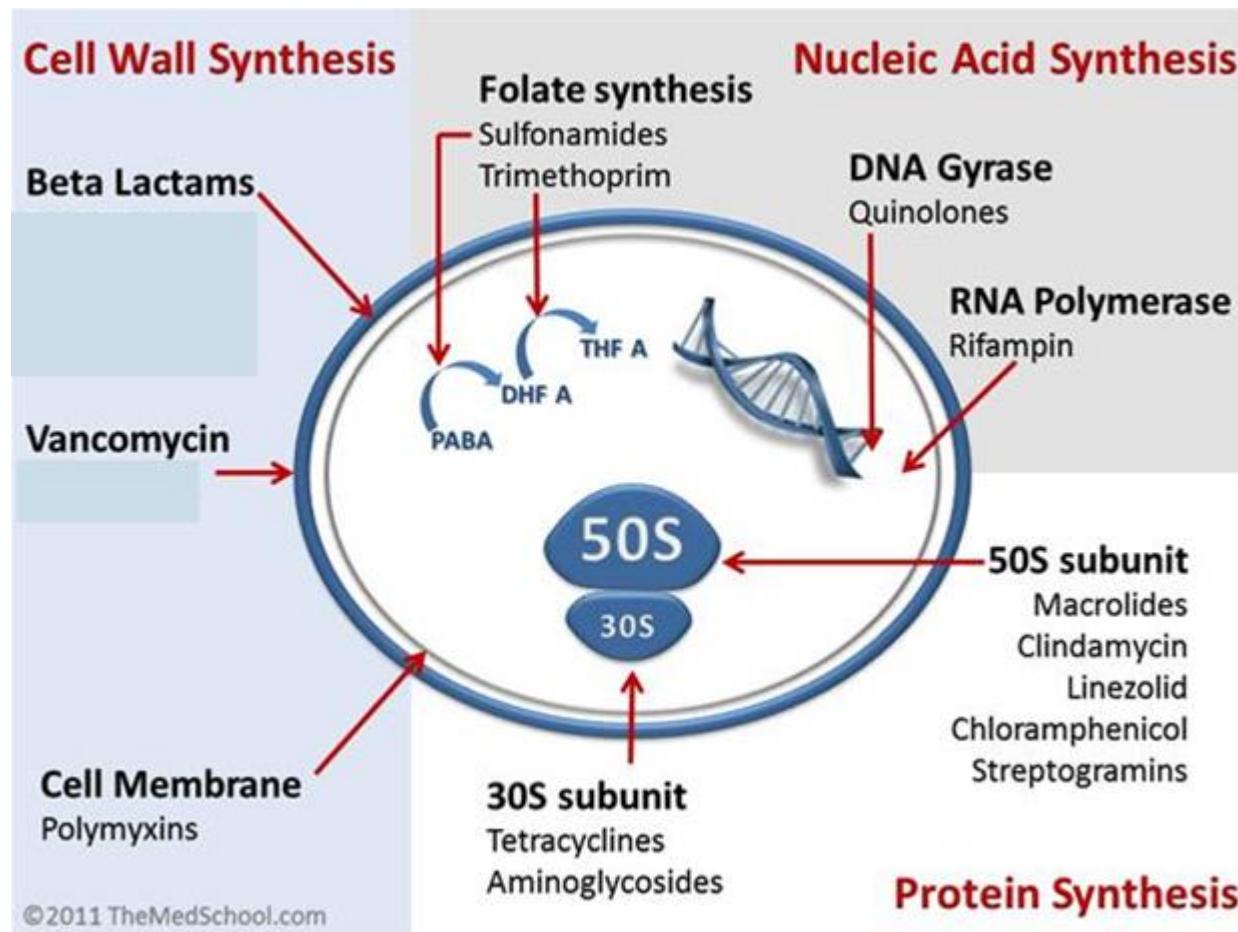
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# Classification – mechanisms of action



# Classification - beta-lactam ATBs

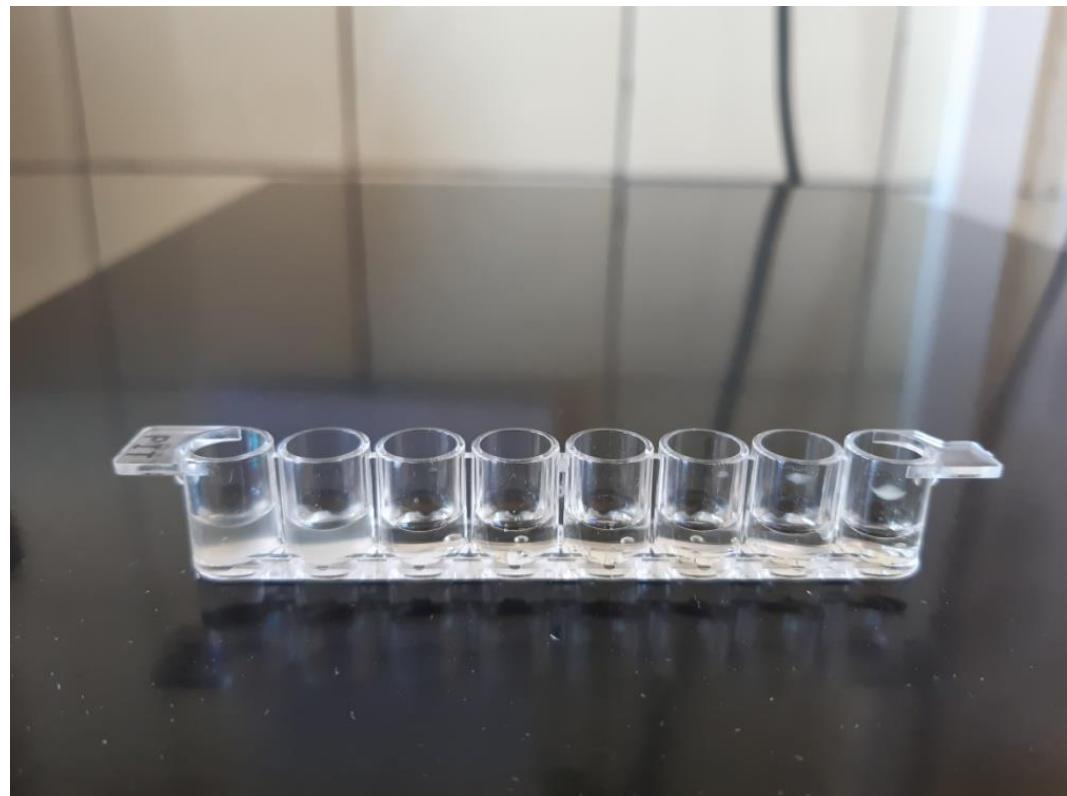
- Penicillins
- Cephalosporins - ?
  - 1.-5. gen.
- Carbapenems
- Monobactams

# ATB susceptibility testing methods

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# ATB susceptibility testing

- Essential condition – grown culture
- Minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC)
- *Minimum bactericidal concentration (MBC)*
- mg/l
- Strict adherence to the required conditions!
- 24h incubation

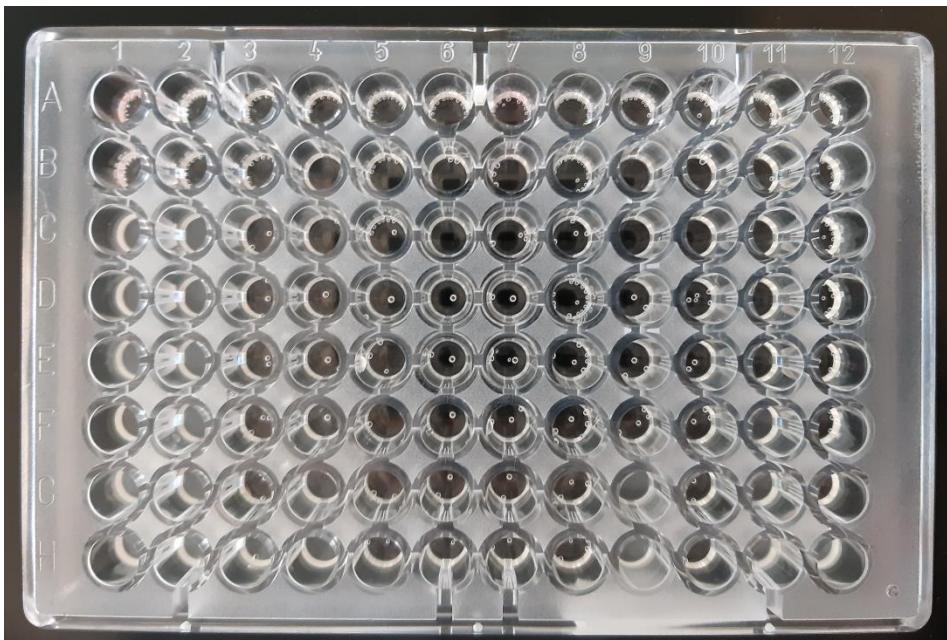


# MIC determination by broth microdilution method

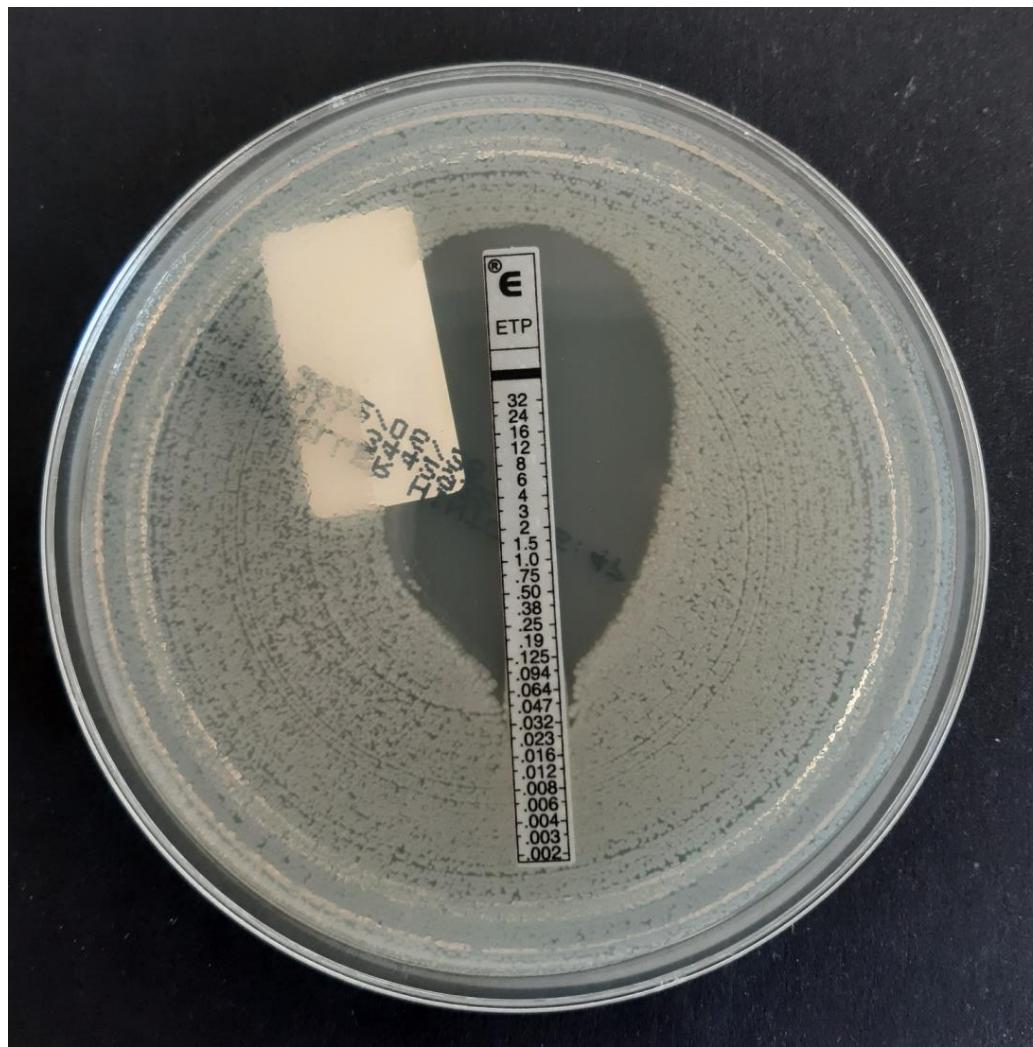
- Microtiter plates

	1 PEN	2 COX	3 ERY	4 CLI	5 LIZ	6 CMP	7 TET	8 CIP	9 T/S	10 GEN	11 VAN	12 NFT
A	4	16	8	4	16	32	8	8	4/76	16	16	128
B	2	8	4	2	8	16	4	4	2/38	8	8	64
C	1	4	2	1	4	8	2	2	1/19	4	4	32
D	0,5	2	1	0,5	2	4	1	1	0,5/9,5	2	2	16
E	0,25	1	0,5	0,25	1	2	0,5	0,5	0,25/4,75	1	1	8
F	0,12	0,5	0,25	0,12	0,5	1	0,25	0,25	0,12/2,38	0,5	0,5	4
G	0,06	0,25	0,12	0,06	0,25	0,5	0,12	0,12	0,06/1,19	0,25	0,25	2
H	0,03	0,12	0,06	0,03	0,12	0,25	0,06	0,06	0,03/0,6	0,12	0,12	K

MIC values for Staphylococci

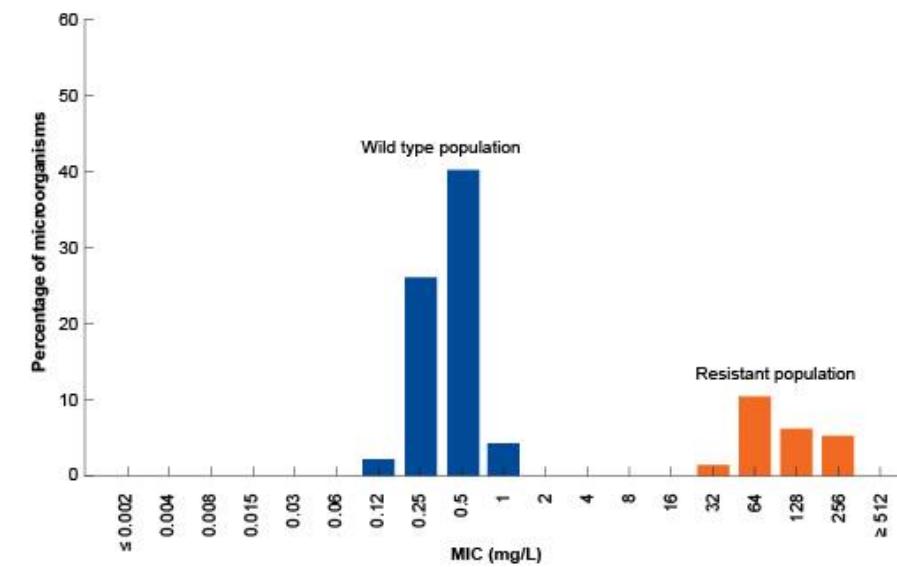


# MIC determination by E-test



- Interpretation of the measured value according to the breakpoint
  - Susceptible/susceptible - increased exposure/resistant strains
  - Clinical therapy effect

Carbapenems <sup>1</sup>	MIC breakpoints (mg/L)		
	S ≤	R >	ATU
Doripenem	1	2	
Ertapenem	0.5	0.5	
Imipenem, Enterobacterales except Morganellaceae	2	4	
Imipenem <sup>2</sup> , Morganellaceae	0.001	4	
Imipenem-relebactam, Enterobacterales except Morganellaceae	2 <sup>3</sup>	2 <sup>3</sup>	
Meropenem (indications other than meningitis)	2	8	
Meropenem (meningitis)	2	2	
Meropenem-vaborbactam	8 <sup>4</sup>	8 <sup>4</sup>	



# European Committee on Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing

Breakpoint tables for interpretation of MICs and zone diameters

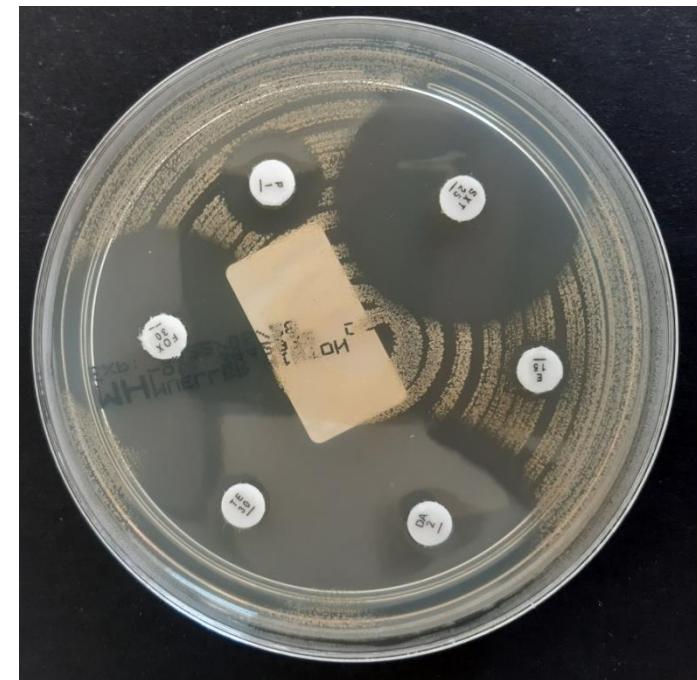
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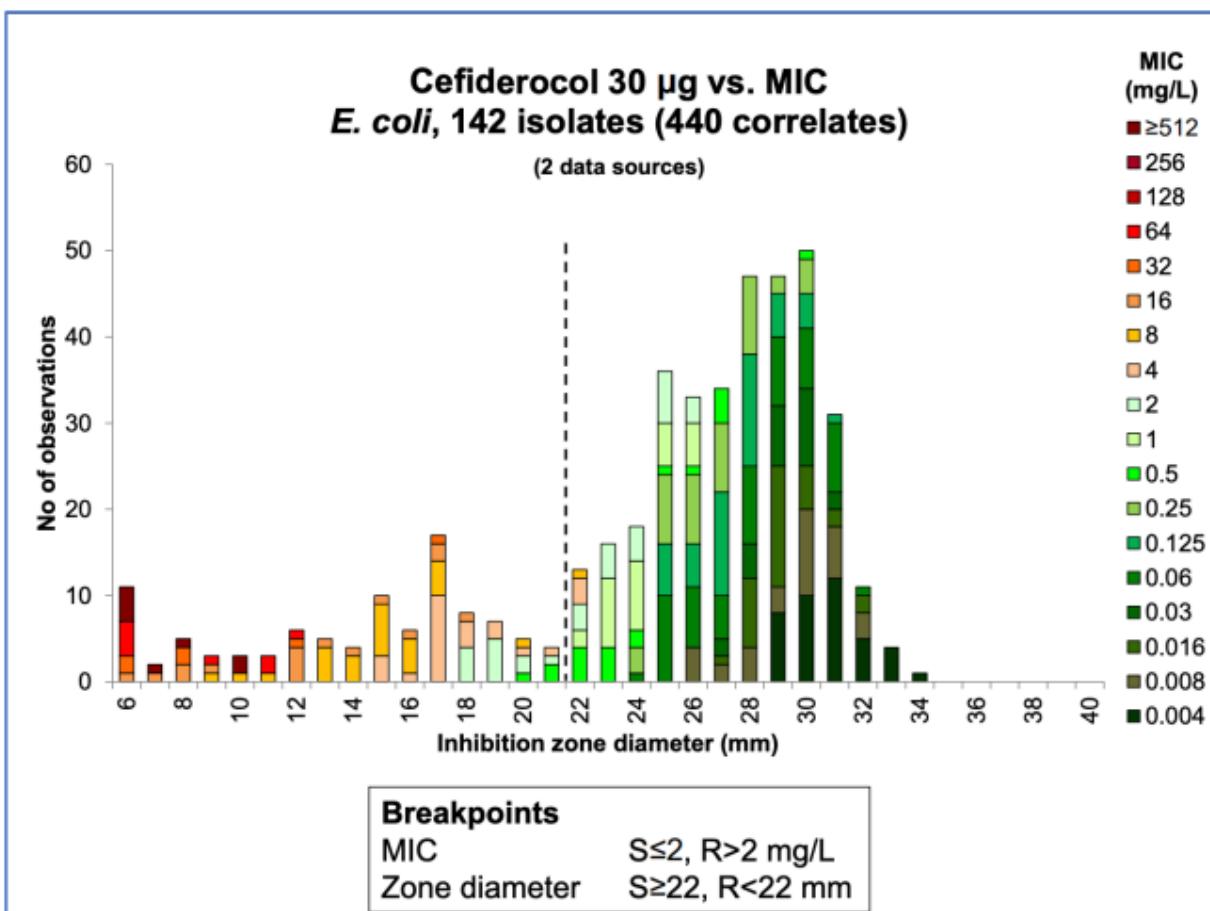
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<i>Pseudomonas</i> spp.	20	
<i>Stenotrophomonas maltophilia</i>	25	<a href="#">Link to Guidance Document on <i>Stenotrophomonas maltophilia</i></a>
<i>Acinetobacter</i> spp.	27	
<i>Staphylococcus</i> spp.	32	
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<i>Viridans group streptococci</i>	55	
<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i>	60	
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# Disc diffusion method

- Mueller-Hinton agar
- Inhibition zone (mm) around ATB discs



Carbapenems <sup>1</sup>	MIC breakpoints (mg/L)			Disk content (µg)	Zone diameter breakpoints (mm)		
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# ATB susceptibility testing - conclusion

- From grown culture
  - Minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC)
    - Broth microdilution method
    - E-test strip
  - Disc diffusion method
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- Interpretation according to breakpoints (MIC and DD)
    - Susceptible/resistant strain (+ susceptible - increased exposure)
    - MIC value doesn't correlate with dosage
  - ATBs tested
    - According to the agent, to the infection site

# Particular resistance phenotypes

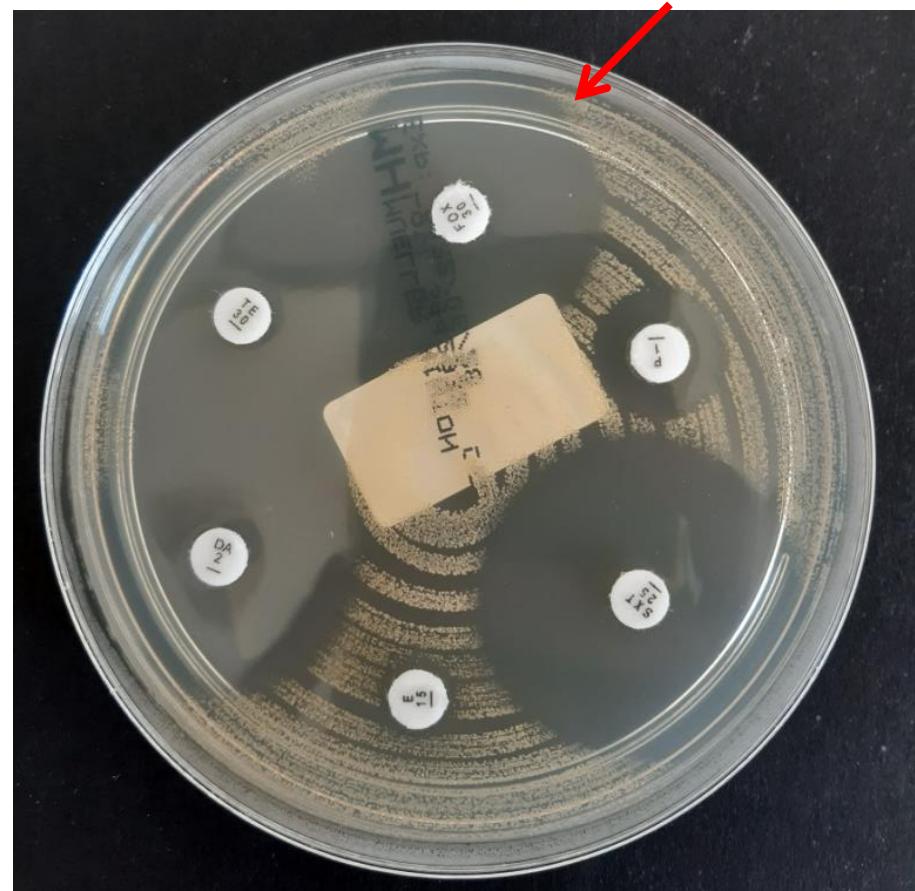
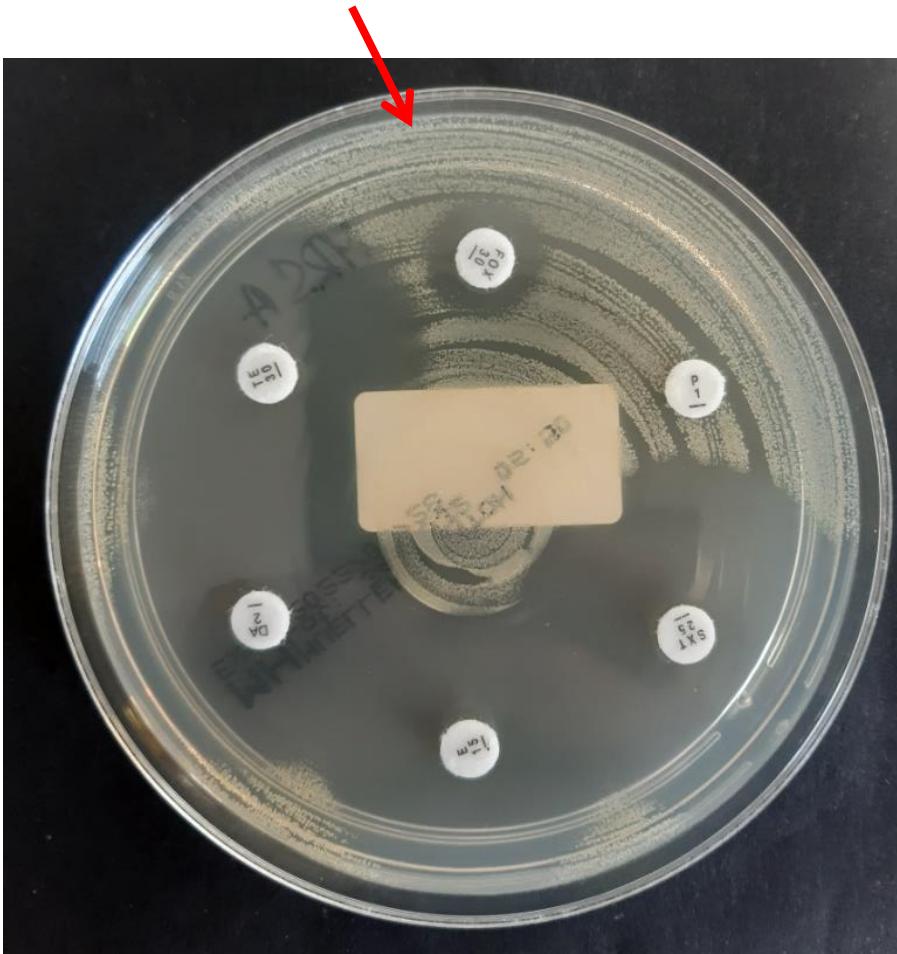
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# Resistance mechanisms?

- Target molecule change
- Enzymatic degradation
- Efflux
- Cell entry restriction (porins)
- Alternative metabolic pathway

# Particular resistance phenotypes

- MRSA (methicillin resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*)



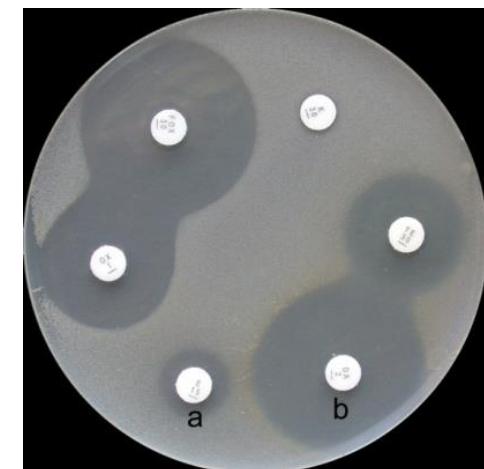
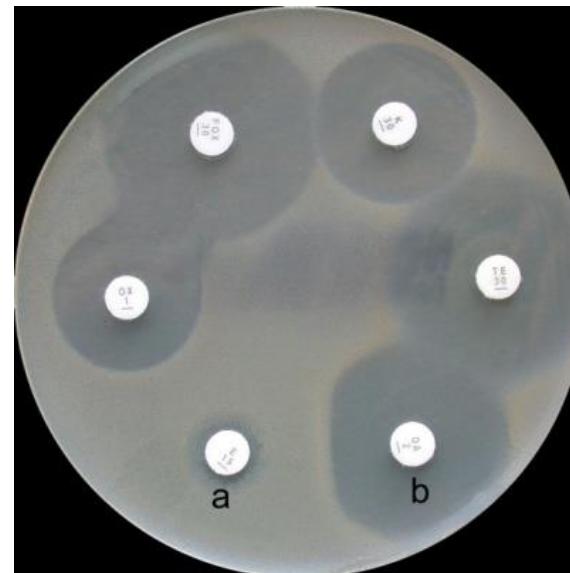
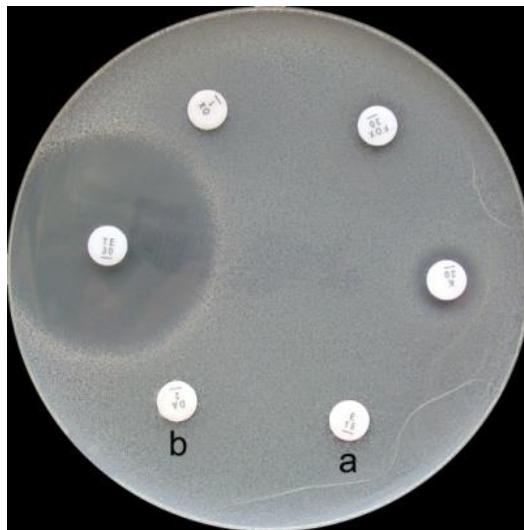
# Selective agar for MRSA

- Selective-diagnostic?



# Particular resistance phenotypes

- MLSB resistance (macrolides, lincosamides, ...) – ribosome methylation
- 1 - Constitutive
- 2 - Inducible
- 3 – Other mechanism (efflux)



# Beta-lactamases

Type	Ambler Molecular Class	Characteristics	Examples of Enzymes
Narrow-spectrum $\beta$ -lactamases <sup>12,18,19</sup>	A	Hydrolyze penicillin; produced primarily by Enterobacteriaceae	Staphylococcal penicillinase, TEM-1, TEM-2, SHV-1
Extended-spectrum $\beta$ -lactamases <sup>20</sup>	A	Hydrolyze narrow and extended-spectrum $\beta$ -lactam antibiotics	SHV-2, CTX-M-15, PER-1, VEB-
Serine carbapenemases <sup>20</sup>	A	Hydrolyze carbapenems	KPC-1, IMI-1, SME-1
Metallo- $\beta$ -lactamases <sup>21,22</sup>	B	Hydrolyze carbapenems	VIM-1, IMP-1, NDM-1
Cephalosporinases <sup>10,23,24</sup>	C	Hydrolyze cephemycins and some oxyimino $\beta$ -lactams; inducible; chromosomally mediated	AmpC, P99, ACT-1, CMY-2, FOX-1, MIR-1
OXA-type enzymes <sup>25-27</sup>	D	Hydrolyze oxacillin, oxyimino $\beta$ -lactams, and carbapenems; produced by <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> and <i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i>	OXA enzymes

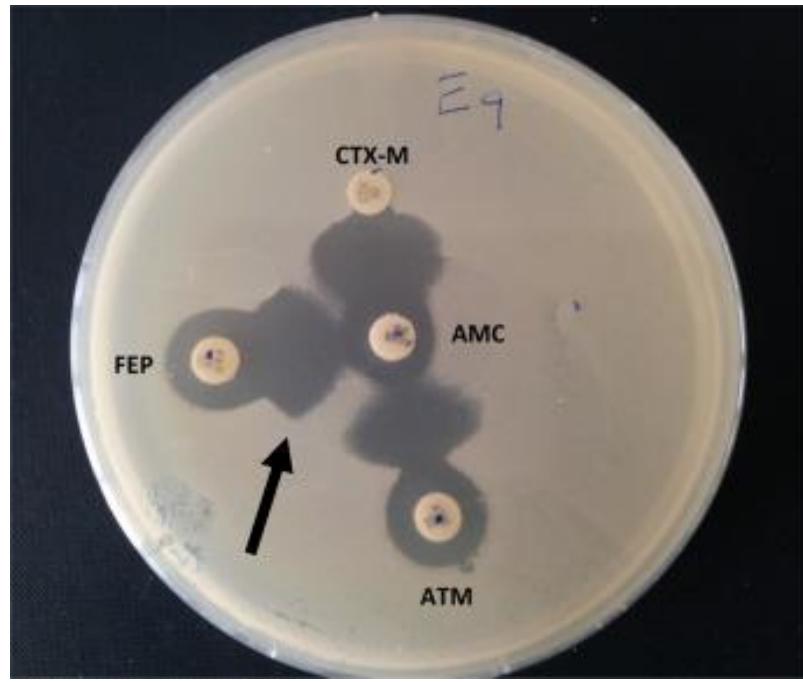
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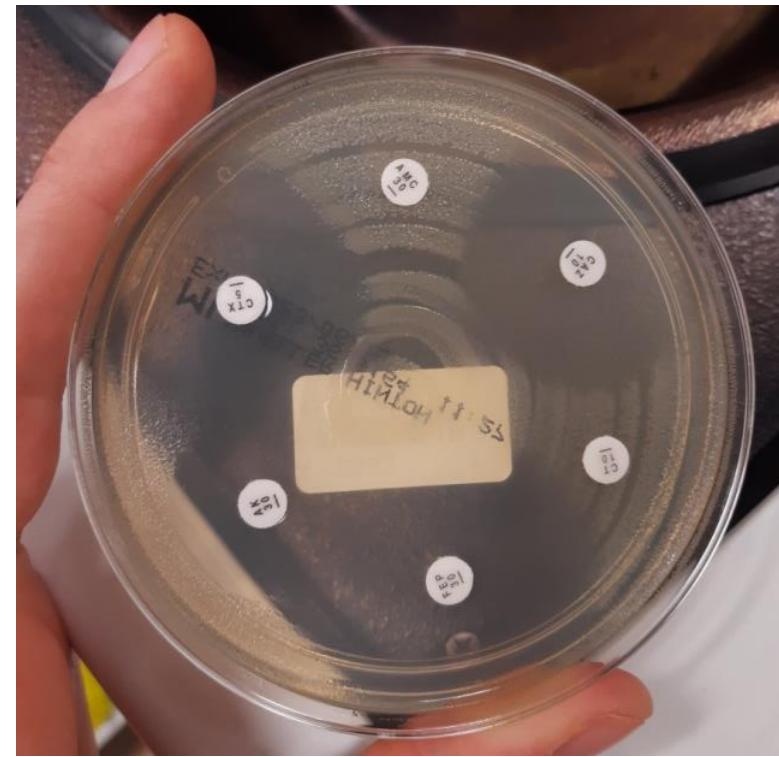
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# ESBL



# AmpC



Cefepime  
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Cefepime

# Carbapenemases

- imunochromatography
- MALDI-TOF



# Beta-lactamase inhibitors?

- Clavulanic acid (amoxicillin/clavulanate)
  - Sulbactam (ampicillin/sulbactam)
  - Tazobactam (piperacillin/tazobactam)
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- + more – lecture

# Practical lesson

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- 1. Disc diffusion method preparation
- 2. ATB susceptibility results interpretation

# Disc diffusion method

- [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iRveNVZ-xxk&list=PLQU\\_kWRWBld4X9Acg59iNKlj4QwNRJShJ&index=2](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iRveNVZ-xxk&list=PLQU_kWRWBld4X9Acg59iNKlj4QwNRJShJ&index=2)
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