

VBCH Antimicrobial Susceptibility Summary: 2025

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Preface

This booklet contains up-to-date information to assist in decisions concerning antimicrobial therapy.

Tables summarize susceptibility data obtained for organisms isolated in the VUMC Clinical Microbiology Laboratory between January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025.

Guidelines for Interpretation of Minimum Inhibitory Concentrations (MICs)

MICs are interpreted as susceptible, intermediate, resistant, non-susceptible or susceptible dose dependent according to Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute (CLSI) guidelines. When deciding whether the interpretation is meaningful, one should consider the antimicrobial pharmacokinetics, taking into account dosage and route of administration, the infecting organism and site of infection, and previous clinical experience.

For additional information, please call the microbiology laboratory, or the Antimicrobial Stewardship team.

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VASP Website:

<https://medsites.vumc.org/antimicrobial-stewardship-program>

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Table 1. Most Common Gram-negative Bacteria, Urine Isolates, % Susceptible

Data represent first isolate per patient.

Organism	N	Ampicillin	Ampicillin/Sulbactam	Cefazolin*	Cefepime	Ceftazidime	Ceftriaxone	Cefuroxime axetil	Ciprofloxacin	Ertapenem	Gentamicin	Levofloxacin	Meropenem	Nitrofurantoin	Piperacillin/Tazobactam	Trimethoprim/Sulfamethoxazole
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	607	53	80.2	85	90	88	88	82	72	100	92	73	100	98	95	71
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i>	140	R	87.1	90	92	91	91	90	81	99	96	82	99	14	91	84
<i>Proteus mirabilis</i>	53	72	88.7	79	91	91	79	89	66	100	93	66	100	R	100	68
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	42	R	R	R	95	95	R	R	74	R	95	71	86	R	91	R

*Oral cephalosporins include: cefaclor, cefdinir, cefpodoxime, cefprozil, cefuroxime, cephalexin, and loracarbef for treatment of uncomplicated urinary tract infections.



Empiric guidance for the treatment of urinary tract infections, including pyelonephritis, can be found on the VASP website at <https://www.vumc.org/vasp/52609>. Antibiotics should be narrowed once susceptibilities are known.

Table 2. Most Common Gram-negative Bacteria, Non-Urine Isolates, % Susceptible

Data represent first isolate per patient.

Organism	N	Ampicillin	Ampicillin/Sulbactam	Cefazolin	Cefepime	Ceftazidime	Ceftriaxone	Cefuroxime axetil	Ciprofloxacin	Ertapenem	Gentamicin	Levofloxacin	Meropenem	Piperacillin/Tazobactam	Trimethoprim/Sulfamethoxazole
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	62	50	84	61	80	100	90	81	81	98	94	84	100	95	79
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	54	R	R	R	91	94	R	R	87	R	98	85	93	87	R

R, intrinsic resistance

Table 3. Adults – *Staphylococcus aureus*, % Susceptible

Data represent first isolate per patient.

Organism	N	Clindamycin	Daptomycin	Doxycycline	Linezolid	Levofloxacin	Nitrofurantoin	Oxacillin	Trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole*	Vancomycin
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	174	82	100	91	99	62	100	57	85	100
MSSA	100	94	100	98	100	89	100	100	95	100
MRSA	77	65	100	81	99	26	100	0	70	100

i Isolation of *S. aureus* in the urine should be followed by a blood culture to confirm the patient is not bacteremic
S. aureus bacteremia or suspected invasive infection should be treated with IV antibiotics in conjunction with ID consultation

Table 4. Adults – *Enterococcus* spp., % Susceptible

Data represent first isolate per patient.

	N	Ampicillin	Daptomycin	Doxycycline	Linezolid	Levofloxacin	Nitrofurantoin	Vancomycin
<i>Enterococcus faecalis</i>	136	100	74	27	97	84	99	97



Drugs of choice for *E. faecalis* include ampicillin in the absence of severe penicillin allergy.