



## Respiratory tract infections: diagnostic tests which make a difference

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NHS Lothian

#### Pneumonia



 CAP is the most frequent cause of death due to infection.

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## Pathogens

- S.pneumonia
- H. influenza
- Moraxella
- Staphyloccoci
- Gram Neg bacteria
  - E.coli
  - A.baumanii
  - P.aeruginosa
  - K.pneumoniae

- Mycoplasma
- Legionella
- Chlamydia
- Viruses
  - Influenza
  - RSV
  - Adenovirus
  - Parainfluenza
  - Metapenumovirus
  - Rhinovirus
  - Coronavirus

## Diagnosis

#### **Conventional Diagnosis**

	Conventional
S. pneumoniae	22
H. influenzae	6
Other	3
L. pneumophila	2
Legionella sp.	0
Chlamydophila s	2
M. pneumoniae	5
Influenza A	8
Influenza B	2
RSV	2
Adenovirus	0
PIV	1
HCOV	0
HRV	2

 50% diagnosis of etiological agent



Validation in CAP study: 105 patients

### Qualitative Multiplex Applications



9 Tubes; 1 sample; 26 targets; 10 samples per plate



#### Validation in CAP study: 105 patients mpleton

	Conventional	real-time PCR	
S. pneumoniae	22	nt	80 %
H. influenzae	6	nt	diagnosis
Other	3	nt	
L. pneumophila	2	3	
Legionella sp.	0	3	8.5% > 18%
Chlamydophila s	2	3	
M. pneumoniae	5	10	
Influenza A	8	9	
Influenza B	2	3	14% > 56 %
RSV	2	3	
Adenovirus	0	4	
PIV	1	8	
HCOV	0	14	
HRV	2	18	

Templeton et al., CID 2005; 41: 345

## ITU Protocol

Lower respiratory tract sample Urine sample for legionella

#### Adherence to protocols - 44 CAP

LRT sample testing	Number of patients
Throat Swab	17
Sputum PCR	16
BAL PCR	14
Urinary Antigen legionella	12
Urine requested, not performed and nil sputum sent	2
Treated with antibiotics	44
Change with PCR result	25 (56%)

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#### Adherence to protocols - 50 CAP

LRT	Number of patients
Throat swab	5
Sputum PCR	16
BAL PCR	23
Urinary Antigen legionella	40
No samples -	7
Mycoplasma/Legionella/ Chlamydia pos	0
Result noted in EPR- with treatment decision to stop clarithromycin	39 (78%)
Microbiology ward round	9 (18%)
No decision noted -	2 (4%)

## Pediatric ICU

- Regular ward
- Infection prevention control nurse
- Virology
- Microbiology
- Infectious diseases

"pertussis PCR through and neg Can now stop clarithromycin"

"Straightforward bronch-( A virus pos) can stop all Antibiotics"

#### KNOW EPIDEMIOLOGY TO INFORM DIAGNOSIS AND MANAGEMENT

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**RESPIRATORY INFECTIONS (F ARNOLD, SECTION EDITOR)** 

#### <sup>1000</sup> Moving Past the Routine Use of Macrolides—Reviewing the Role of Combination Therapy in Community-Acquired Pneumonia



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#### **MYCOPLASMA CASES - SCOTLAND**

Why include, macrolides in all severe CAP?

## The approach – we need to use resources carefully

#### Workload Over Time



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## **PoCT to guide treatment**

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## Stages to implementation

- Validation
- Business case
- Training
  - Cascade by teams
  - Recording and competency
- SOPs
- Algorithm
- IT set up
- Duplicate testing in Lab
- EQA NEQAS



Pathoge	n – In <b>bold requires isolation</b>
Adenov	irus
Influenz	a A H1
Influenz	a A 2009 H1
Influenz	a A H3
Influenz	a B
Parainfl	uenza virus 1
Parainfl	uenza virus 2
Parainfl	uenza virus 3
Parainfl	uenza virus 4
Human	Metapneumovirus
Coronav	rirus NL63
Coronav	rirus OC43
Coronav	virus HKU1
Coronav	rirus 229E
MERS co	pronavirus
Human	Bocavirus
Rhnovir	us/enterovirus
Respirat	tory syncytial virus A
Respirat	tory syncytial virus B
Bordete	lla pertussis
Legione	la pneumophila
Chlamy	lophila pneumoniae
Mycopla	asma pneumoniae

# 1st 400 tests RLC 99% agreement Stopped testing in Lab Just duplication

Agreement



#### Link Treatment and testing



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MAJOR ARTICLE



#### Comprehensive Molecular Testing for Respiratory Pathogens in Community-Acquired Pneumonia

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(See the Editorial Commentaries by Musher on pages 824-5 and Jain and Pavia on pages 826-8.) 2016:62(7):817-23

- To improve microbiological diagnosis in patients hospitalised with CAP
  - Develop new comprehensive test (MiCAP)
  - Evaluate on Cohort.
  - 26 tests covers all main bacteria
  - Includes quantification

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#### Etiology of CAP by Syndromic PCR Testing

90% with diagnosis



#### Antibiotic exposure on Sputum

Antibiotic exposure prior to sputum sampling occurred in 84.8% of patients and was significantly associated with culture negativity (OR = 9.1, 95% CI 4.1-22.4, p<0.0001) Antibiotic exposed patients (n=268) 100% 90% Positive Negative 80% 70% 60% 50% 40% 30% 20% 10% 0% PCR Culture Antibiotic exposure did not affect PCR positivity but the mean combined bacterial load was significantly higher in nonexposed patients (p=0.0001) Copyright Kate Templeton

#### Antibiotic management

Potential modification	N (%)
De-escalation	247 (77.2)
Escalation	19 (5.9)
No change	54 (16.9)

Real – syndromic management – link with antimicrobial stewardship



### **Clinical studies**

#### MIDAS

26 Pathogen test Guide patient antibiotic treatment 26 Pathogen test Guide patient antibiotic treatment

Plan to recruit 851 patients across 5 sites

Single site – 600 patients – sputum only

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## Can we follow guidelines ??

#### Pneumonia Severity

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NHS Lothian	Joint Formulary- Treatme	ent of Community Acquired I	<u>Pneumonia</u>
Severity	1 <sup>st</sup> Line	2 <sup>nd</sup> Line/Penicillin Allergy	Duration
CURB65 0-1 (Low Severity)	Amoxicillin 500mg tds <i>oral</i>	Clarithromycin 500mg bd oral OR Doxycycline 200mg day 1 and then 100mg daily oral	7 days
CURB65 2 (Moderate Severity)	Amoxicillin 500mg tds oral AND Clarithromycin 500mg bd oral or IV	Clarithromycin 500mg every 12 hours oral or iv OR Doxycycline 200mg day 1 and then 100mg daily <i>oral</i>	7-10 days
CURB65 3-5 (High Severity)	Co-amoxiclav 1.2g every 8 hours /V AND Clarithromycin 500mg every 12 hours /V	Ceftriaxone 2g daily IV AND Clarithromycin 500mg every 12 hours IV	7-10 Days

therapy. Patients should be switched to oral therapy when temperature is <38.°C for 48 hours, CRP and WBC have improved and patient is clinically improving.

Microbiological samples should be done prior to antibiotic administration

## A audit-Antibiotics and Sampling

- 87% Sample collected post antibiotic administration.
- 40% had antibiotics for more than 24 hours prior to admission
- 31% were compliant with NHS Lothian Guidelines

Sputum bacterial microbiology in those receiving antibiotics prior to sampling



Sputum bacterial microbiology in those not receiving antibiotics prior to sampling



## GAP - how to get message to those treating

Vestjens et al. Pneumonia (2018) 10:15 https://doi.org/10.1186/s41479-018-0059-0

#### Pneumonia

#### **BRIEF REPORT**

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Inter-hospital variation in the utilization of diagnostics and their proportionality in the management of adult community-acquired pneumonia

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Issuing of negative result prompt to change treatment had biggest impact

#### GAP -role of combined infection



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#### Impact of bacterial and viral coinfection in community-acquired pneumonia in adults



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#### Mortality rate 18% in combined infections vs 6% in bacteria only

### GAP - Add host profile

Gene expression profiling: differentiating pathogens by host responses?



## Host gene transcriptional profiles differentiate between viral and bacterial pneumonia



Parnell GP et al. Crit Care. 2012

#### Temporal Dynamics of Host Molecular Responses Differentiate Symptomatic and Asymptomatic Influenza A Infection

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#### Clinical microbiology in 2025: CAP in a 62-year old COPD

Molecular Diagnostic report

- Pathogens detected:
  - Viral: hBoV, RSV, hRV
  - Bacterial:*H. influenzae* (β lactamase +), P.aeroginosa
- Interpretation:
  - host response profiling indicates hRV infection, no bacterial involvement, good prognosis
- Advice:
  - no antibiotics; supportive care







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#### ESGREV

"Survey on Point of Care testing (POCT) for seasonal influenza and other respiratory viruses". This survey aims to capture the current status of use of point of care testing in the ESCMID community and to highlight areas of best practice and areas where further work is required. You can fill in the survey

https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/ESGREVsurvey

