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Infectiologie in het Militair Hospitaal

Infectiologie à l'Hôpital Militaire

Infectiologie - Travel Clinic

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Vaccinaties : 8962 in 2022

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Pre - en posttropen consultaties, algemene infectiologie consultaties, expertise : 654 in 2022

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Consultaties, antibiotic stewardship in het brandwondencentrum : 273 in 2022

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Faagtherapie

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Opleiding, Studies, ...





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Pre- en posttropen

Malaria

- Post Tropical Storm n = 515
- Post Kindu n= 404

- 2022 n=2.

Symptomen :

- ontstaan meestal **zeven dagen tot een maand na de besmetting**
- **soms pas enkele maanden tot meer dan een jaar erna**
- eerste dagen lijkt veel op griep :
 - koorts,
 - hoofdpijn,
 - spierpijn,
 - soms ook diarree of hoesten.

Diagnose : alleen door bloedonderzoek!!!



Malaria behandeling

- **Niet ernstige malaria tropica (*P. falciparum*):**
 1. artemether/ lumefantrine (Riamet[®], Co-artem[®]): 4 tabletten op T= 0, 8, 24, 36, 48 en 60 uur
 2. atovaquone/ proguanil (Malarone[®]): 1dd. 4 tabletten, 3 dagen
- **Ernstige malaria tropica (*P. falciparum*):**

Zo spoedig mogelijk: artesunaat 2.4 mg/kg i.v., Op T= 0, 12, 24, 48, 72 uur;
Zodra mogelijk switch orale therapie (altijd ook volledige orale kuur).
- **Malaria tertiana (*P. vivax/ovale*):**
 1. artemether/ lumefantrine (Riamet[®], tabletten à 20mg artemether en 120mg lumefantrine): 4 tabletten op T= 0, 8, 24, 36, 48 en 60 uur
 2. chloroquine po 10mg/kg 1dd 2 dagen gevolgd doorchloroquine po 5mg/kg eenmalig

Altijd nabehandelen met primaquine tenzij contra-indicatie!

→primaquine po 30mg 1dd 14 dagen (ZO-Azie: 21 dagen)



Post-tropen





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Original article

Screening the asymptomatic soldiers after a stay in sub-Saharan Africa. A retrospective observational study

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Abstract

Background

Many tropical clinics offer post-travel screening for parasitic infections in asymptomatic travellers. However, literature on attack rates and incidence rates of parasitic infections is scarce.

Method

All military personnel returning from a tropical region during the year 2018 were tested for the presence of antibodies against *Strongyloides stercoralis*, *Schistosoma* and *Entamoeba histolytica*. Test results were compared with previous results if available to distinguish recent and old infection.

Results

In total, 949 soldiers were included in the study. The median age was years 31 (IQR: 26–41), 96.3% were male. The median duration of stay in the tropics was 35 days (IQR: 14–90). The destination was predominantly central Africa. Serological tests were positive for *S. stercoralis* in 10 patients (1.1%), *Schistosoma* in 3 (0.3%), and *E. histolytica* in 16 (1.7%). The attack rates were 0.84, 0.32 and 1.69 respectively. The incidence rates were 3.99, 1.49 and 7.97 respectively.

Conclusions

The risk for parasitic infection in the asymptomatic returning soldiers is low. However, the potentially serious complications of unrecognised parasitic infection can legitimise systematic screening.



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Arbovirus infecties

Dengue
Chikungunya
Zika...



Larva migrans cutanea (Creeping eruption)

Veroorzaakt door een larve van een nematode

- meestal *Ancylostoma braziliensis*

De larve kruipt door de huid en laat een grillig spoor achter (creeping eruption).

R/ Ivermectine po 0.2mg/kg eenmalig op lege maag

Of

R/ Albendazol po 400mg 1dd 5 dagen



Myiasis (huidmadenziekte)

Larven van tweevleugeligen (Diptera) - vooral vliegen

- ook enkele muggen

De onderhuids groeiende vliegenlarven hebben zuurstof nodig

via hun ademhalingsopening → dichtsmeren met vaseline

→ze komen naar buiten →eventueel eruit trekken met een pincet.

Bij dode larve is chirurgische excisie noodzakelijk.



Leishmaniasis

The Netherlands Journal of Medicine

PHOTO QUIZ

Cutaneous ulcer after a stay in the tropics

P. Vanbrabant^{1,2*}, S. Van Den Broucke³, P. Soentjens³

- Verschillende soorten Leishmania-parasieten
- Overgedragen via zandvliegbeten
 - Phlebotomus (Oude Wereld)
 - Lutzomyia (Nieuwe Wereld)
- Klinische presentatie:
 - Huidziekte
 - Slijmvliesziekte
 - Viscerale ziekte.
- Incubatietijd: weken tot maanden
- Diagnose :
 - microscopie
 - cultuur
 - PCR
- Behandeling: lokaal of systemisch



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■ Infecties in brandwonden patients

Infecties in brandwonden patiënten

- Prevalentie van infecties onder slachtoffers van brandwonden:
13% van de patiënten die tussen 2003 en 2012 in het ziekenhuis in de VS werden opgenomen
National Burn Repository, www.ameriburn.org/2013NBRAnnualReport
- 19% van de patiënten die in de zomer van 2006 in Franse brandwondencentra werden opgenomen
Ainaud P et al. Épidémiologie des centres de brûlés français en 2006. Société Française d'Études et de Traitement des brûlures, XX- VII Congrès, CL2, 2007.
- sepsis: verantwoordelijk voor 75% van de sterfgevallen bij brandwonden met TBSA > 40%
Atiyeh, B.S., et al.(2005) State of the Art in Burn Treatment. World Journal of Surgery, 29, 131-148.
- Geïnfecteerde brandwonden patiënten: sterftcijfer > 2x hoger dan dat van niet-geïnfecteerde
Alp E, Coruh A, Gunay GK, Yontar Y, Doganay M. Risk factors for nosocomial infection and mortality in burn patients: 10 years of experience at a university hospital. J Burn Care Res 2012; 33:379-85.



Infecties in brandwonden patiënten

- Velen zijn cutaan/hebben een cutane ingangspoort
- Zorggerelateerde infecties - vergelijkbaar met de andere ICU-patiënten:
 - Geïntubeerd, beademd, verdoofd → verlies van mucociliaire klaringsfunctie → VAP
 - meestal als gevolg van microaspiratie van pathogenen uit de orofaryngeale flora
 - Katheters (veneuze, arteriële) → infecties op katheters (CRBSI)
 - Blaassonde → Urineweginfecties op katheter :
 - meest voorkomende nosocomiale infectie,
 - meestal veroorzaakt door de commensale flora van de patiënt.
 - De belangrijkste risicofactor = duur van de aanwezigheid van de blaassonde.



Infecties in brandwonden patiënten

1. Bacteriële infecties:

- Gevoelige bacteriën
- Multiresistente bacteriën : **resistent voor meerdere antibioticaklassen**

2. Schimmelinfecties :

- Aspergillus, Fusarium, Mucor, Rhizopus: omgevingsschimmels
- Candida: voornamelijk endogene bronnen.

Ladhani HA, Yowler CJ, Claridge JA. Burn Wound Colonization, Infection, and Sepsis. Surg Infect (Larchmt). 2021 Feb;22(1):44-48.

3. Virale infecties:

- Immunosuppressie leidt tot reactiveringen van latente virale infecties
- herpesvirussen (HSV , CMV, EBV): frequente reactivaties bij brandwondenpatiënten
- verantwoordelijk voor 5% van de dodelijke infecties

d'Avignon L, Hogan B, Murray C, Loo F, Hospenthal D, Cancio L et al: Contribution of bacterial and viral infections to attributable mortality in patients with severe burns: An autopsy series. Burns, 36: 773-9, 2010.



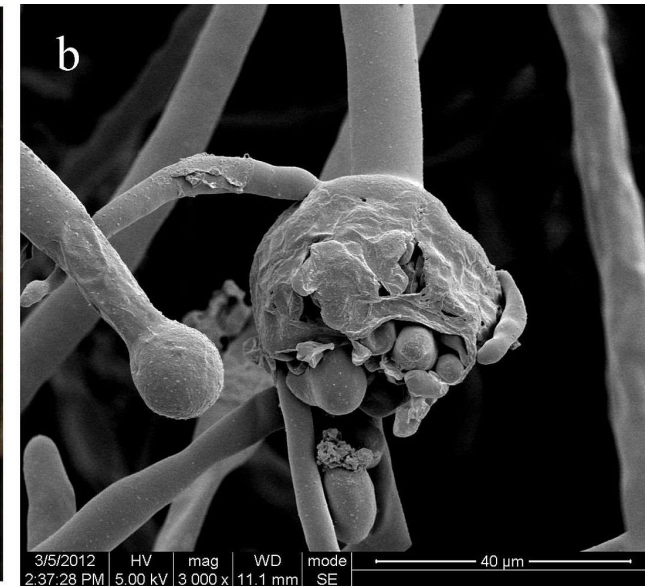
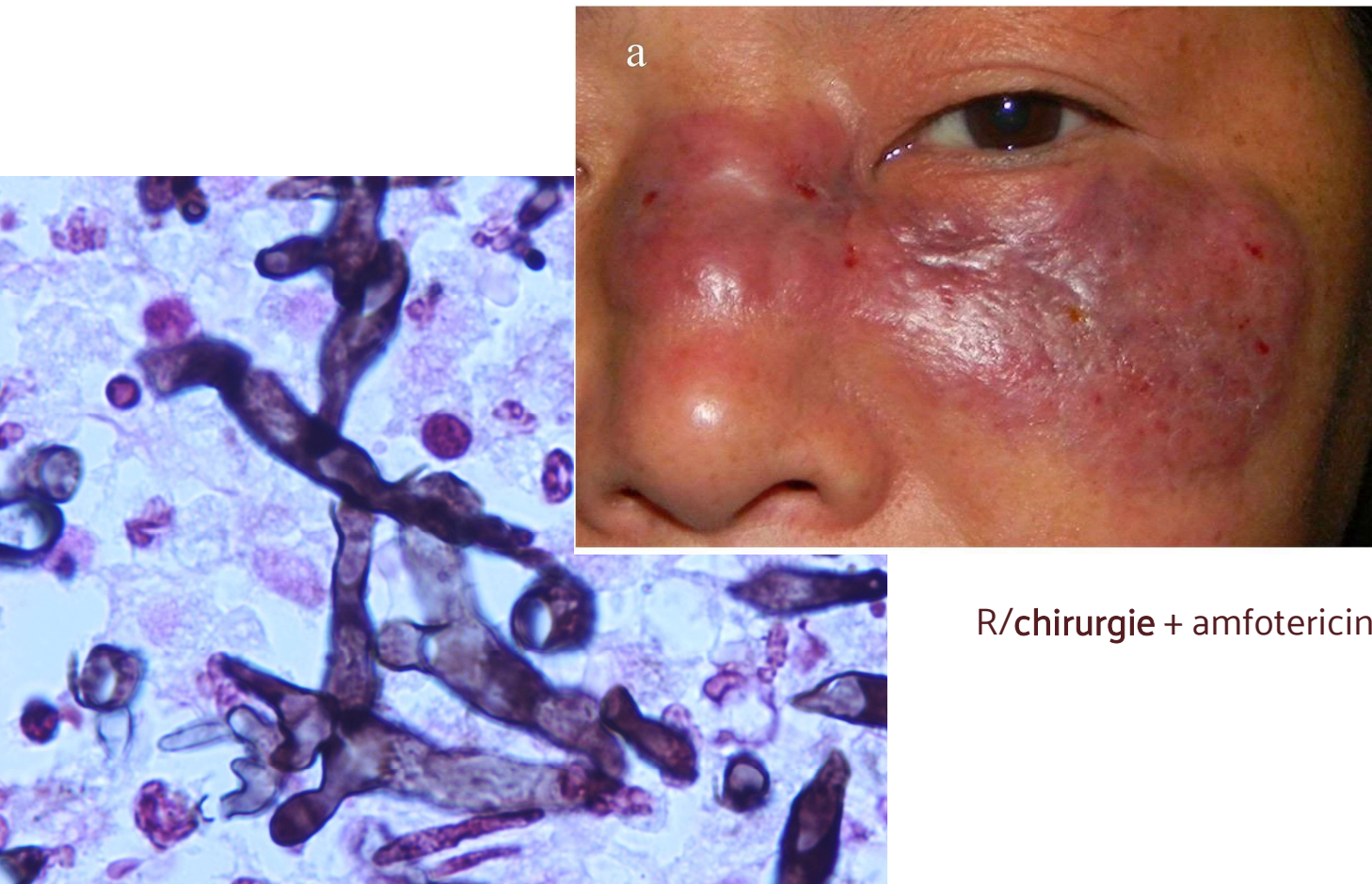
Schimmels in brandwonden patiënten

- Brandwondenpatiënten: meerdere risicofactoren voor schimmelinfectie:
 - aantasting van de integriteit van de huidbarrière,
 - immuunstoornissen,
 - breedspectrum- en langdurige antibioticatherapie,
 - langdurig verblijf op de ICU,
 - aanwezigheid van katheters +++,
 - parenterale voeding
 - meerdere operaties ...

Ha J, Italiano C, Heath C, Shih S, Rea S, Wood F: Candidemia and invasive candidiasis: A review of the literature for the burns surgeon. Burns, 37: 181-95, 2011



Mucormycoze – “Zwarte schimmel”

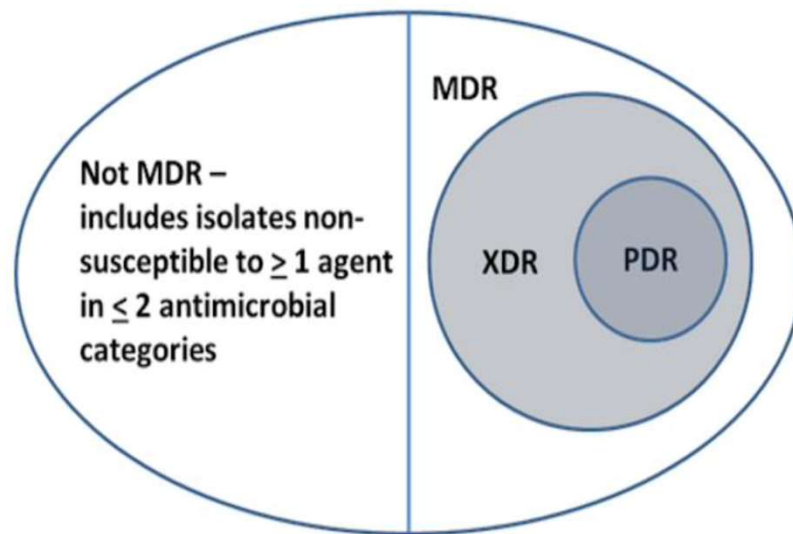


R/chirurgie + amfotericine B liposomaal of isavuconazol



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Different terminologies to describe bacteria resistant to unrelated classes of ABs



MDR (multi-drug resistant)
Non-susceptibility to at least one agent in three or more antimicrobial classes

XDR (extensively drug resistant)
Non-susceptibility to at least one agent in all but two or fewer antimicrobial classes

PDR (pan-drug resistant)
Non-susceptibility to all Agents in all antimicrobial categories



Voorbeelden resistente kiemen

1. Acinetobacter baumannii

Ampicilline (R)
 Tetracycline (R)
 Amoxicilline+clavulanique (R)
 Imipenem ≥ 16 (R)
 Amikacine 16 (R)
 Ciprofloxacine ≥ 4 (R)
 Trimetoprim+Sulfa ≥ 320 (R)
 Meropenem (meningitis) ≥ 16 (R)
 Meropenem (other) ≥ 16 (R)
 Ertapenem (R)
 Tobramycine 8 (R)
 Gentamicine 4 (S)
 Azithromycine (R)
 Cefotaxime (R)
 Fosfomycine (R)
 Colistine ≤ 0.5 (S)
 Levofloxacin ≥ 8 (R)

2. Pseudomonas aeruginosa

Ampicilline (R)
 Tetracycline (R)
 Amoxicilline+clavulanique (R)
 Ticarcilline ≥ 128 (R)
 Ticarcilline+clavulanique ≥ 128 (R)
 Imipenem ≥ 16 (R)
 Ceftazidime 2 (R)
 Aztreonam 32 (R)
 Amikacine (other) 8 (S)
 Amikacine (Urine) 8 (S)
 Ciprofloxacine ≥ 4 (R)
 Cefepime 8 (H)
 Meropenem (meningitis) ≥ 16 (R)
 Meropenem (other) ≥ 16 (R)
 Ertapenem (R)
 Kanamycine (R)
 Tobramycine 4 (R)
 Chloramphenicol (R)
 Cefotaxime (R)
 Tigecycline (R)
 Pip-Tazobactam ≥ 128 (R)
 Colistine 2 (S)
 Levofloxacin ≥ 8 (R)

1. Acinetobacter baumannii

Ampicilline (R)
 Tetracycline (R)
 Amoxicilline+clavulanique (R)
 Imipenem ≥ 16 (R)
 Amikacine ≥ 64 (R)
 Ciprofloxacine ≥ 4 (R)
 Trimetoprim+Sulfa ≥ 320 (R)
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 Levofloxacin ≥ 8 (R)

2: Escherichia coli, veel ESBL POSITIEF

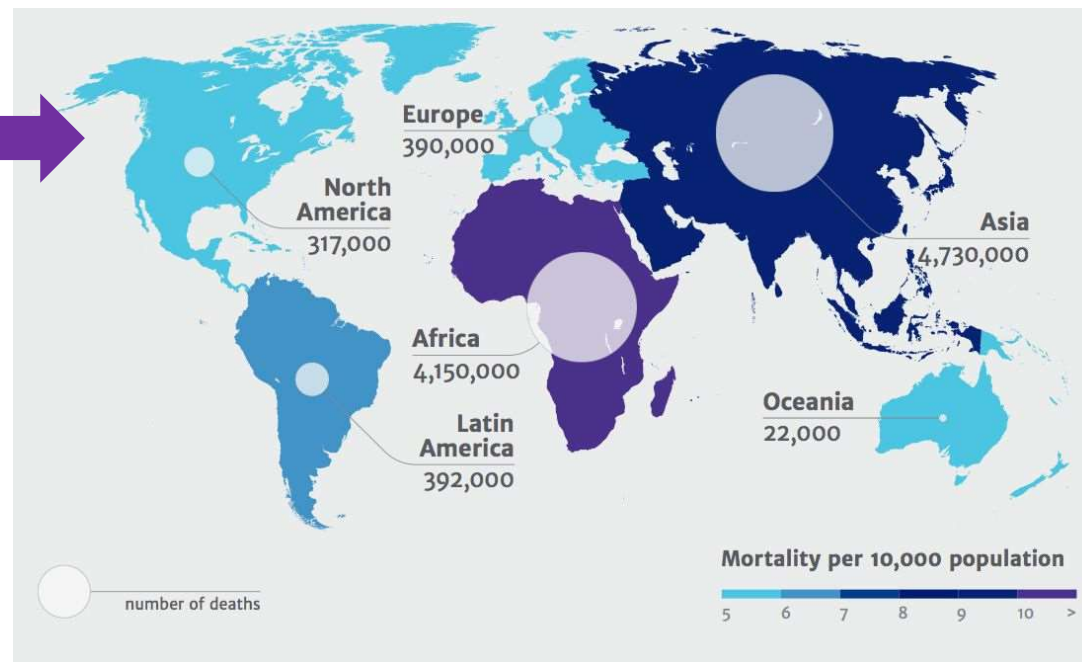
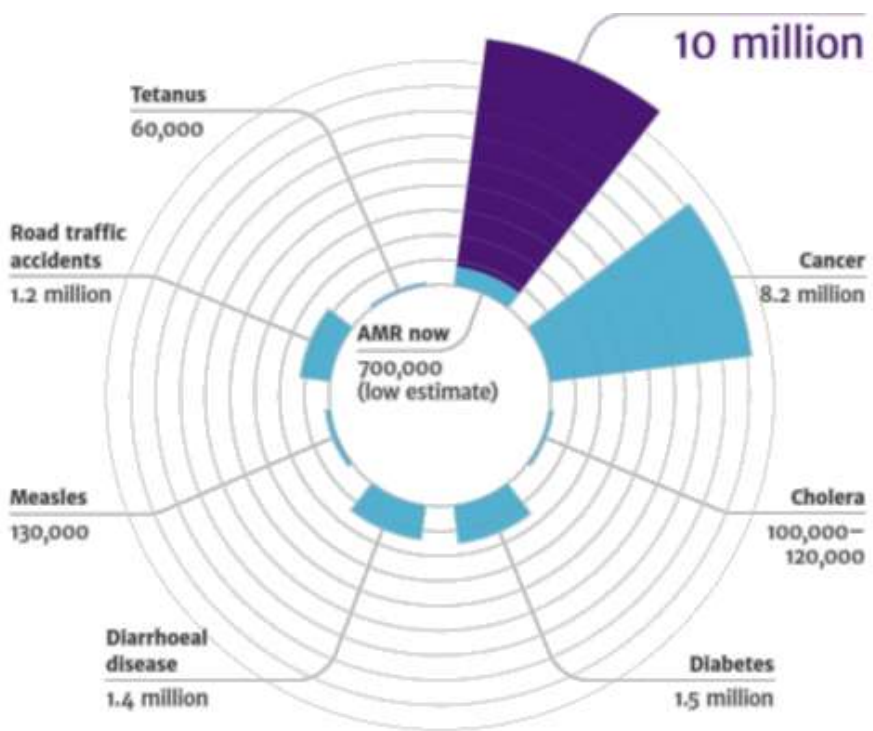
Levofloxacin > 2 : R
 Tigecyclin ≤ 0.25
 Ciprofloxacine > 2 : R
 Colistin ≤ 1 : 2
 Fosfomycine ≤ 32
 Chlormaphenicol = 16 : R
 Trimethoprim/Sulfamethoxazol $> 4/76$
 Temocillin ≤ 32
 Cefotaxim > 2 : R
 Amikacin > 32 : R
 Ceftazidim > 128 : R
 Ceftazidim/ 3-APB > 32
 Ceftolozan/Tazobactam $> 8/4$
 Imipenem = 2 : S (dose élevé)
 Ceftazidim / Avibactam $> 16/4$
 Meropenem = 8 : R
 Meropenem/ EDTA ≤ 0.25
 Meropenem/3-APB > 32
 Piperacillin / Tazobactam $> 64/4$: R
 Piperacillin > 16 : R
 (Microdilutiemethode!)

1: Klebsiella pneumoniae sub.pneumoniae
 - Ampc detected!

Levofloxacin > 2 R
 Tigecyclin = 1 R
 Ciprofloxacine > 2 R
 Colistin > 8 R
 Fosfomycine = 128 R
 Chlormaphenicol > 16
 Trimethoprim/Sulfamethoxazol $> 4/76$ R
 Temocillin > 128 R
 Cefotaxim > 2 R
 Amikacin > 32 R
 Ceftazidim > 128 R
 Ceftazidim/ 3-APB > 32
 Ceftolozan/Tazobactam $> 8/4$ R
 Imipenem > 8
 Ceftazidim / Avibactam $> 16/4$ R
 Meropenem > 128
 Meropenem/ EDTA > 32
 Meropenem/3-APB > 32
 Piperacillin / Tazobactam $> 64/4$ R
 Piperacillin > 16
 (Microdilutiemethode!)



Sterfgevallen als gevolg van antimicrobiële resistentie in 2050



Source:
The Review on
Antimicrobial Resistance
2014



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Faagtherapie

Bacteriofagen

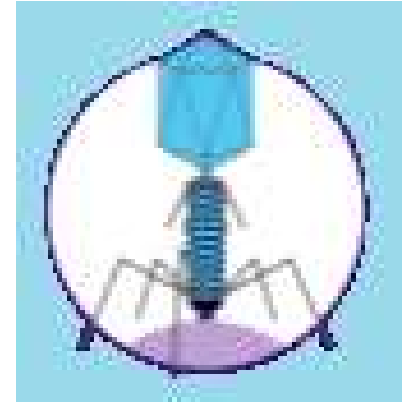
- Virussen die zich richten op bacteriën en ze doden

- Voordelen:

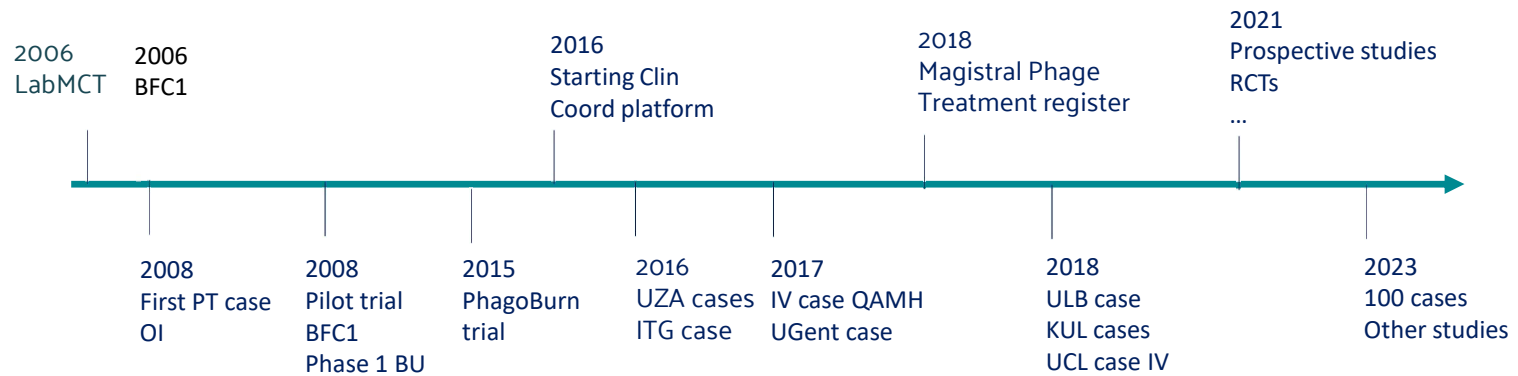
- Prokaryoot-specifiek
- Zelf amplifying
- Co-evolutie met bacteriële gastheer
- Productieproces
 - Snel
 - Eenvoudig
 - Tegen lage kosten (geen patenten)
 - Geen koudeketen nodig

- Indicaties:

- AB-resistentie
- AB-allergie/-intolerantie
- Terugkerende/chronische infectie ondanks gevoelige AB-therapie
- Dekolonisatie
- Adjunct-therapie
- Vermijden grote operaties



Faagtherapie KAMH



Int J Burn Trauma 2014;4(2):66-73
www.IJBT.org /ISSN:2160-2026/IJBT0001948

Original Article
Experimental phage therapy of burn wound infection: difficult first steps

Efficacy and tolerability of a cocktail of bacteriophages to treat burn wounds infected by *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* (PhagoBurn): a randomised, controlled, double-blind phase 1/2 trial

Patrick Jault, Thomas Leclerc, Serge Jennes, Jean Paul Pirnay, Yak-Ai Que, Gregory Resch, Anne Françoise Rousseau, François Ravat, Hervé Carsin, Ronan Le Floch, Jean Vivien Schaal, Charles Soler, Cindy Fevre, Isabelle Arnaud, Laurent Bretaudeau, Jérôme Gabard



Communication
The Magistral Phage





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Aanvragen voor fagentherapie (tot 2019)

Processing Phage Therapy Requests in a Brussels Military Hospital: Lessons Identified

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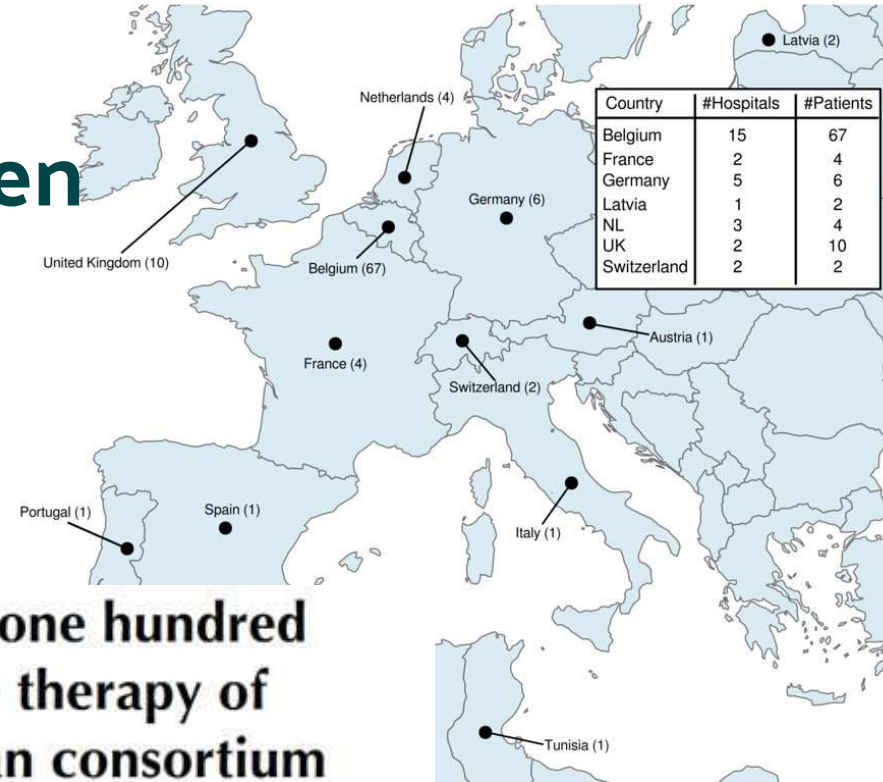
- 70 applicants (26.9%) did not respond to the email request for more information;
- 124 requests (47.7%) concerned bacterial pathogens against which the QAMH had no potent phages available;
- 46 applications (17.7%) did not meet the other two eligibility criteria (antibiotic treatment failure and/or absence of other therapeutic options);
- 5 (25%) out of the 20 infecting bacterial strains for which a phagogram was performed were found to be non-susceptible to the available phages.

Djebara, S.; Maussen, C.; De Vos, D.; Merabishvili, M.; Damanet, B.; Pang, K.W.; De Leenheer, P.; Strachinaru, I.; Soentjens, P.; Pirnay, J.-P. Processing Phage Therapy Requests in a Brussels Military Hospital: Lessons Identified. Viruses 2019, 11, 265. <https://doi.org/10.3390/v11030265>



2023: 100 behandeld patiënten

A



Retrospective, observational analysis of the first one hundred consecutive cases of personalized bacteriophage therapy of difficult-to-treat infections facilitated by a Belgian consortium

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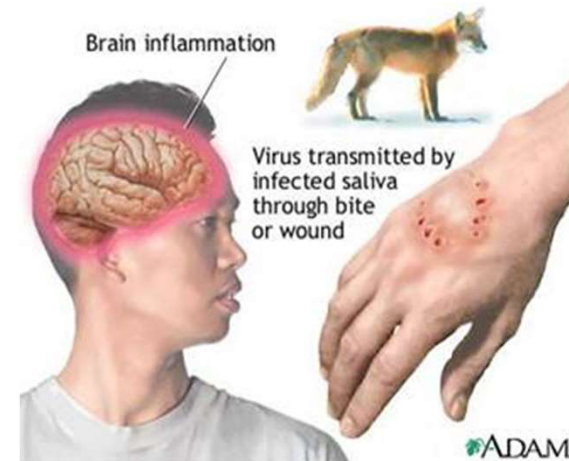
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Vaccinaties en studies

Rabies

- Lyssavirus verspreid door **het speeksel** van **besmette zoogdieren**
- Ziektesymptomen : **7 dagen → maanden later**
- Fataal verloop: **onmiddellijk actie** na een mogelijke besmetting!
- **Geen behandeling** eens er ziektesymptomen zijn
- Bijna **100% dodelijke afloop**

- PREP:
 - Totaal van 4 dosissen: ID twee dosissen (0.1ml) op dag 0 en dag 7
 - Serologische controle tussen D14 en D28 : titer > **0,5 IU/ml**





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Article Contents

Abstract

JOURNAL ARTICLE

Preexposure Intradermal Rabies Vaccination: A Noninferiority Trial in Healthy Adults on Shortening the Vaccination Schedule From 28 to 7 Days

Patrick Soentjens, Petra Andries, Annelies Aerssens, Achilleas Tsoumanis, Raffaella Ravinetto, Walter Heuninckx, Harry van Loen, Bernard Brochier, Steven Van Gucht, Pierre Van Damme, Yven Van Herrewwege, Emmanuel Bottieau

Clinical Infectious Diseases, Volume 68, Issue 4, 15 February 2019, Pages 607–614, <https://doi.org/10.1093/cid/ciy513>

Published: 25 June 2018 Article history

Abstract

Background

The existing 4-week preexposure rabies vaccination schedule is costly and often not practicable. Shorter effective schedules would result in wider acceptance.

Methods

We conducted a noninferiority trial in 500 healthy adults comparing the safety and immunogenicity of a 2-visit (days 0 and 7) intradermal (ID) primary vaccination (2 doses of 0.1 mL ID of the human diploid cell culture rabies vaccine [HDCV] at days 0 and 7) vs a standard 3-visit schedule (single dose of 0.1 mL ID at days 0, 7, and 28). One year to 3 years after primary vaccination, a single booster dose of 0.1 mL ID of HDCV was given to evaluate the anamnestic rabies antibody response. The primary endpoint for immunogenicity was the percentage of subjects with an adequate antibody level >0.5 IU/mL 7 days after the booster injection. The safety endpoint was the proportion of participants developing adverse reactions following the primary vaccination and/or booster dose.

Results

All subjects in both study groups possessed a rabies antibody titer >0.5 IU/mL on day 7 following the booster dose. Following the booster dose, subjects exposed to the double-dose 2-visit ID schedule had a geometric mean titer of 37 IU/mL, compared with 25 IU/mL for the single-dose 3-visit schedule (P < .001). Local reactions at the injection site following primary vaccination were mild and transient.

Conclusions

In healthy adults, ID administration of a double dose of 0.1 mL of HDCV over 2 visits (days 0 and 7) was safe and not inferior to the single-dose 3-visit schedule.

SINGLE-R Study

A two-centre open-label non-inferiority trial to assess the immunogenicity and safety of an intradermal and an intramuscular single-visit dosing regimen of purified chick-embryo cell-culture rabies vaccine in adults

Study sites:
























- QAMH Brussels
- ITG Antwerp




Question: Are shorter accelerated low-dose primary vaccination schedules showing adequate immune responses against rabies?

Design: Rabies vaccination prospective clinical trial

Population: Belgian military personnel and travelers to rabies-endemic zones (N= 360)

SINGLE-R RCT (N = 360)

Vaccine groups 1 to 3	PrEP	Vol.	V1A Day 0	V1B Day 7	V2 Day 28	PEP	Vol.	V3A Day 0 +180	V3B Day 3 +180	V4 Day 7 +180	V5 Day 28 +180	V6 Day 90 +180	Total Vol.	Study visits
1. N = 120	1 ¹ IM	1 x 1.0 mL				2 ¹ M	2 x 1.0 mL						3.0 mL	7
2. N = 120	1 ⁴ ID	4 x 0.1 mL				1 ⁴ ID	4 x 0.1 mL						0.8 mL	6
3. N = 120	2 ¹ IM	2 x 1.0 mL				2 ¹ M	2 x 1.0 mL						4.0 mL	8
Blood Sampling														
Subgroup Samples														

 Intramuscular injection
  Intradermal injection
  Blood sample 10 mL



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Bazouka study

A single centre, open-label non-inferiority trial to assess the immunogenicity and safety of a single booster vaccine 5 years after rabies pre-exposure prophylaxis with 3 different intradermal regimens in Belgian soldiers

Question: Are shorter accelerated low-dose primary and/or booster vaccination schedules showing adequate immune responses against rabies? non-inferiority of neutralizing antibodies on day 7 after booster

Design: Rabies vaccination prospective clinical trial

Population: Belgian military personnel and travelers to rabies-endemic zones

Study site: QAMH Brussels

BAZOUKA QAMH

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Historical Mil cohort in BE soldiers: boostability after > 5 years

N	Schedule PrEP	Volume	Day 0	Day 7	Day 28	> x years	sPEP			
							Schedule PrEP	Volume	Day 0	% I7
150 Started in 2009-11	3ID PCECV	3 x 0.1 mL	✓	✓	✓	start 2023	1ID PCECV	4 x 0.1 mL	✓	
150 Started in 2017	2 nd ID PCECV	4 x 0.1 mL	✓	✓		start 2023	1ID PCECV	4 x 0.1 mL	✓	
50 Started 2019	1 st ID PCECV	2 x 0.1 mL	✓			start 2023	1ID PCECV	2 x 0.1 mL	✓	

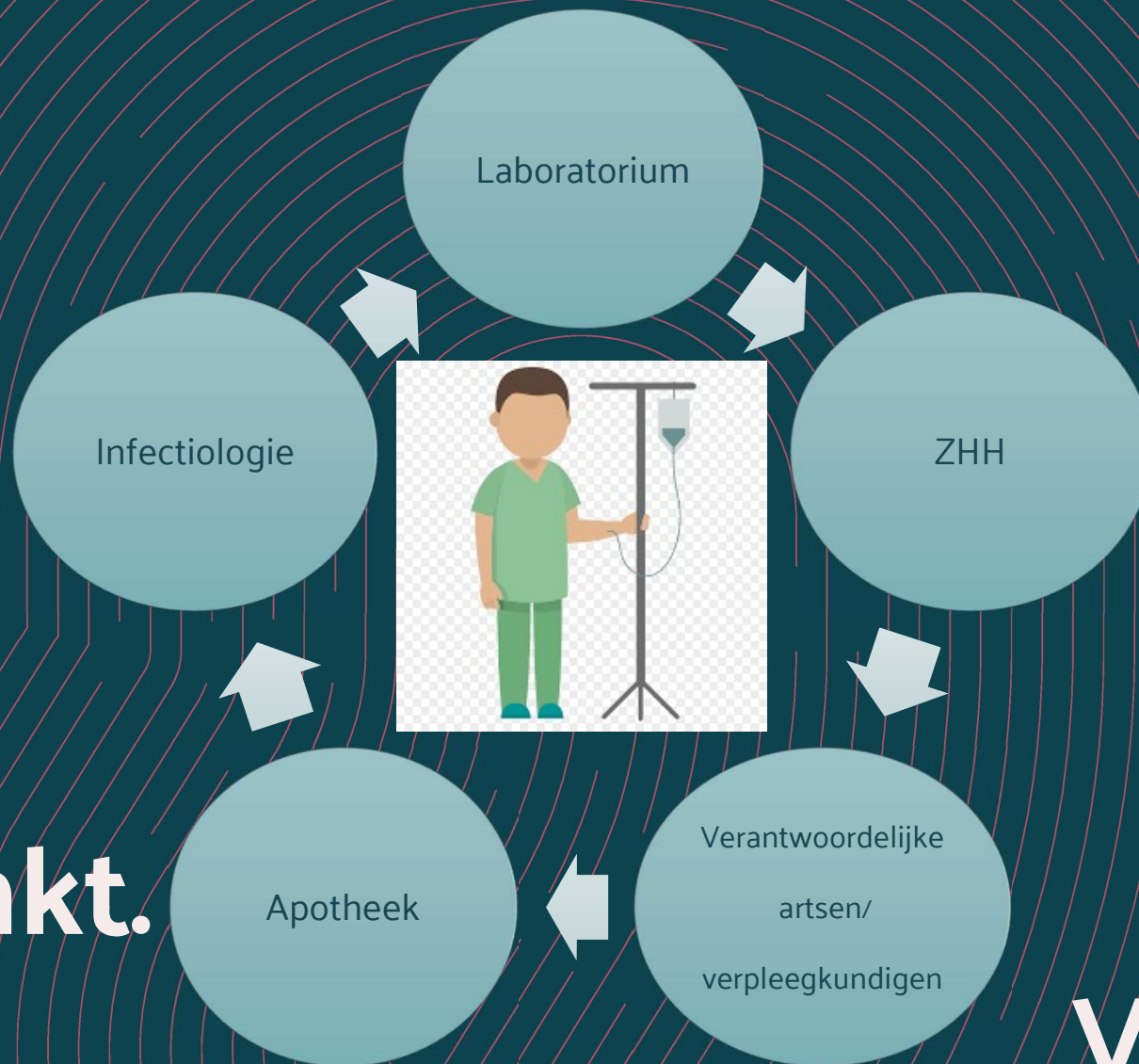
We have RFFIT tests after PrEP for all 3ID cohort since 2009 > 14 years ...



Budget routine
Routine vaccine
Routine RFFIT 2x
Database SPSS



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■ **Bedankt.**

Vragen?