

BARDA at the Intersection of AMR and Pandemic Preparedness

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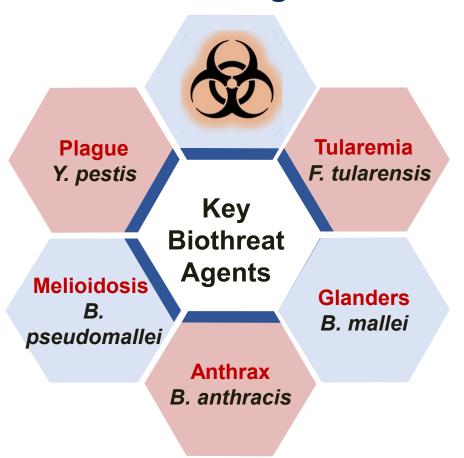


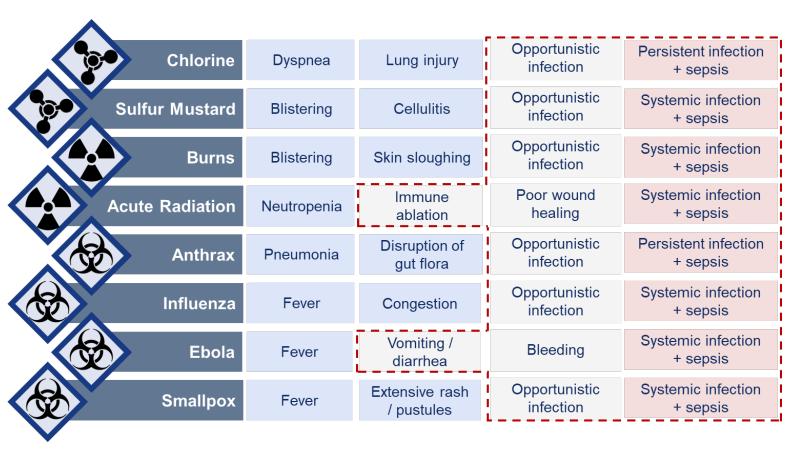


Bacterial Threats in Multiple Dimensions

Biothreat agents

Opportunistic and Secondary infections







Co-/Secondary Bacterial Infections During Pandemics

A common complication of respiratory viral disease can be secondary bacterial infection

11%-35%

of laboratory confirmed cases of influenza exhibit bacterial co-/secondary infection (Klein 2016 Influenza Other Respir. Viruses 10, 394–403.)



Secondary bacterial pneumonia identified in cases of H1N1 in 2009 (CDC 2009)

1/3 to 1/2 of all deaths resulting from the 2009 H1N1 pandemic in the U.S. were caused by secondary bacterial pneumonia that was contracted by hospitalized patients During the 1918-1919
Spanish Flu pandemic,
bacterial pneumonia is
estimated to have occurred in

95%

of all fatal cases with many of these deaths directly attributable to a bacterial infection (Morens 2008 J. Infect. Dis. 198, 962–970)



The leading etiologic pathogens of bacterial pneumonia are:



Streptococcus pneumoniae



Staphylococcus aureus (including MRSA)



Haemophilus influenzae





The pace of drug development has not kept pace with the rate at which antimicrobial resistance is developing.

Antibiotic Resistance (AMR) causes

700,000

global deaths each year.



Common medical procedures are becoming too dangerous to undertake

May rise to

101VI deaths annually by 2050

\$100 trillion

THE LACK OF EFFECTIVE ANTIBACTERIALS CAN IMPEDE OUR ABILITY TO RESPOND TO ANY PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY



Impact of bacterial infections on COVID-19

Emerging Infections Network (EIN)

Managed by the Infectious
Diseases Society of America
out of University of Iowa;
funded by the CDC





EIN Surveys

- How often are you seeing suspected superinfections in COVID-19 patients?
- Number of infections?
- ☐ Types of infections?
- ☐ Infecting pathogen?
- ☐ Use of empiric antibiotics?

38 responses from U.S. (red dots), Mexico and India

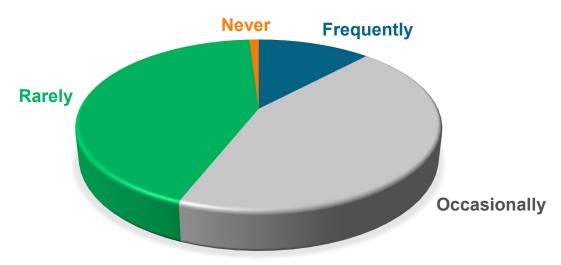




COVID-19: An Ongoing Case-Study

OCCURRENCE OF SUPERINFECTIONS

INFECTING PATHOGEN



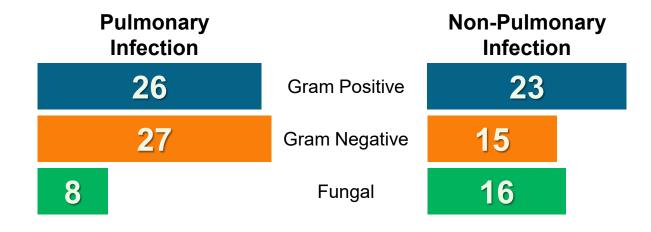
Survey Responses = 212

50%

of responses stated ICU admission was the trigger for empiric antibiotics

76%

of responses stated superinfections were diagnosed when patients were receiving mechanical ventilation



Types of Infections

VAP CLABSI CAUTI **Major Pathogens**

(Pulmonary & Non-pulmonary infections)

P. aeruginosa S. aureus -

MRSA

Klebsiella

E. coli

Candida Aspergillus



Challenges Caused by the COVID-19 Pandemic



Most of our funded Phase 3 studies are paused and/or sites are temporarily closed



Manufacturing facilities are closed



Resources for manufacturing and supplies for clinical trial conduct are limited due to clinical demand



Study and manufacturing costs are increasing



Bacterial MCM Program

MISSION

STRATEGY

PRIORITIES







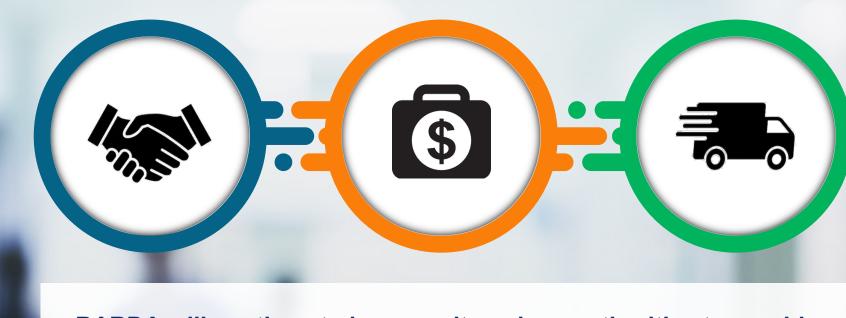
Reduce the morbidity and mortality caused by a biothreat or antimicrobial resistant (AMR) infection following a mass casualty event or a disease outbreak

Revitalize and incentivize the antimicrobial pipeline through innovative public-private partnerships

Invest in new types of antimicrobials and products that target both MDR pathogens and bioterrorism infections



Incentivizing and Catalyzing Antibiotic Development



BARDA will continue to leverage its unique authorities to provide innovative business tools that support end-to-end product development, from the earliest stages under CARB-X to commercial procurement via PBS, while at the same time exploring technical solutions to the challenges facing the commercial market.



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