

Nouvelles recommandations autour du CA-SFM/Eucast: Impact sur les résultats

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ANTIBIOGRAMME:

Communiqué annuel (< 50 pages)

- . Gratuit, version déchargeable en pdf
- . Annuel, donc nouveautés bien individualisées
- . Objectifs définis par consensus et renouvelables
- . Définitions : c, C, D, d, S, I, R, lecture interprétative...
- . Techniques
- . CQI: Souches du contrôle de qualité
- . Phénotypes de résistance naturelle
- . Quels antibiotiques/ espèce ?
- . Quelles concentrations cliniques ?
- . Quelle interprétation si mécanisme de résistance

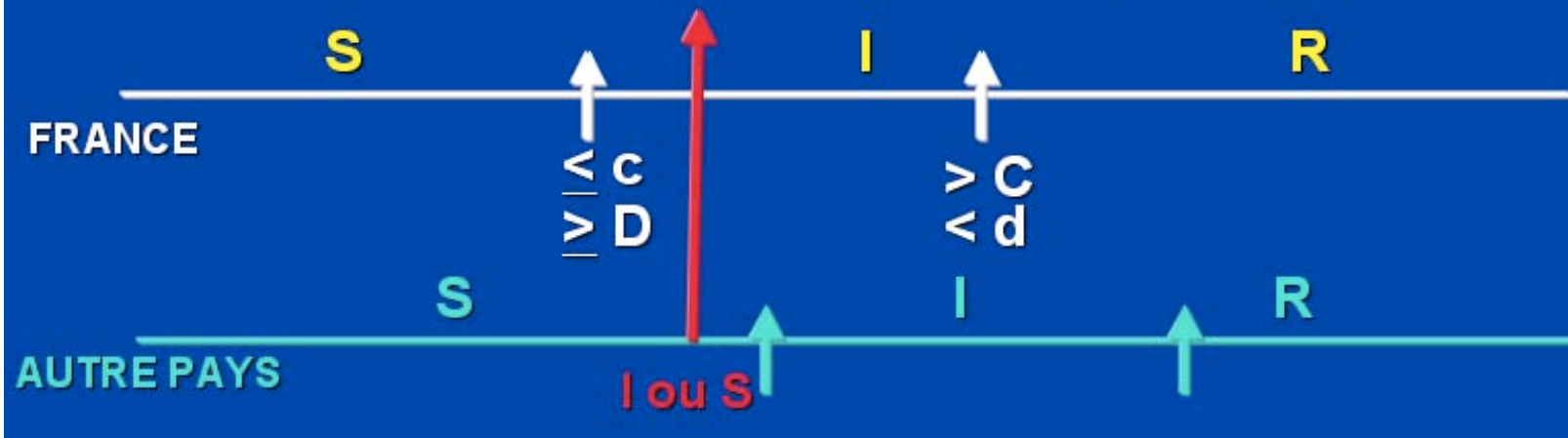
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Depuis l'édition 2004, quelques modifications significatives ont été apportées. Une note explicative figure dans ce document page 49 (dernière page).

Catégorisation clinique CONCENTRATIONS CRITIQUES : c et C
DIAMETRES CRITIQUES : D , d

CONCENTRATIONS CRITIQUES : c et C
DIAMETRES CRITIQUES : D , d



HARMONISATION EUROPEENNE

(Bull. Soc. Fr. Microbiol., Octobre 2004, Vol. 19, n°3 : 191-193)

Le besoin d'une harmonisation européenne dans la méthodologie des tests de sensibilité aux antibiotiques et leur interprétation a été ressenti il y a déjà de nombreuses années.

Ceci a conduit en 2002 à la création de l'EUCAST (European Committee on Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing) qui est composé d'une part d'un General Committee qui comporte un représentant par pays européen et se réunit une fois par an et d'autre part d'un Steering Committee composé de deux représentants du General Committee et surtout d'un représentant de chacun des six comités nationaux reconnus comme actifs en raison de leur ancienneté, de la fréquence de leurs réunions et de leur notoriété attestée par des publications régulières :



European Committee on Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing
formed in 1997 and restructured in 2002

convened by
European Society for Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases (ESCMID)
National Breakpoint Committees in Europe

and financed by
ESCMID



- EUCAST Constitution and Organisational Bodies
- EUCAST Meetings
- EUCAST Clinical Breakpoints and Epidemiological Cut-off Values
- EUCAST Antimicrobial wild type distributions of microorganisms
- EUCAST Documents
- EUCAST Presentations
- EUCAST Links

<http://www.escmid.org/sites/>

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BSAC wp



DIN



CA-SFM



CRG



NWGA



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EUCAST: collaborations

EMEA : SOP being developed which renders EUCAST the official European breakpoint committee (EUCAST breakpoints in the SPCs).

Expert groups and reference laboratories (Neisseria, Salmonella, European Veterinary working group, NEQAS)

EARSS : EUCAST permanently on the EARSS advisory board

NCCLS

NCCLS/EUCAST broth dilution method for the determination of MIC-values harmonised through CEN and ISO; finished document end of 2004.

NCCLS/EUCAST common QC type strain MIC-target values and ranges

NCCLS/EUCAST harmonised FQ breakpoints for staphylococci.

Collaborative process for revision of cephalosporin and carbapenem MIC breakpoints (first joint meeting in Tampa, January 2005).

Pharmaceutical industry information and consultation network



Les **objectifs de l'EUCAST** ont été définis de la façon suivante :

- **standardiser les méthodologies** ;
- **s'accorder sur l'expression des concentrations critiques** : celle qui a toujours prévalu en France a été retenue, soit **$S \leq \text{mg/L}$** et **$R > \text{mg/L}$**
- **établir des « cut-off values »** séparant pour chaque couple espèce-antibiotique, la population des souches sauvages de celles porteuses d'un ou plusieurs mécanismes de résistance acquise
- **établir des concentrations critiques pour la catégorisation clinique**, d'une part en rédigeant en accord avec l'EMA (European Agency for the Evaluation of Medicinal Products) une procédure pour les nouveaux antibiotiques et d'autre part en tentant d'harmoniser les concentrations critiques nationales des antibiotiques existants sur de nouveaux arguments solides, notamment des points de vue pharmacocinétique et pharmacodynamique ainsi que clinique.

Le CA-SFM peut alors accepter ces modifications ou alors justifier tout désaccord avec les propositions de l'EUCAST.

Dans le Communiqué Annuel sont indiquées **en gras** :

- les concentrations critiques proposées par l'EUCAST et approuvées par le CA-SFM
- les modifications des diamètres critiques : celles-ci sont adoptées par les Comités nationaux en fonction de leur propre méthodologie.

CONSEQUENCES

CA-SFM: caractères gras (exemple du staphylocoque)

Streptomycine	10 UI	≤ 8	> 16	≥ 15	< 13	
Kanamycine	30 UI	≤ 8	> 16	≥ 17	< 15	
Gentamicine	15 μg (10 UI)	≤ 1	> 1	≥ 20	< 20	
Tobramycine	10 μg	≤ 1	> 1	≥ 20	< 20	
Erythromycine	15 UI	≤ 1	> 4	≥ 22	< 17	
Spiramycine	100 μg	≤ 1	> 4	≥ 24	< 19	
Télithromycine	15 μg	$\leq 0,5$	> 2	≥ 21	< 17	
Lincomycine	15 μg	≤ 2	> 8	≥ 21	< 17	
Linézolide (H)	30 μg	≤ 4	> 4	≥ 24	< 24	
Pristinamycine	15 μg	≤ 1	> 2	≥ 22	< 19	
Quinupristine-dalfopristine(H)	15 μg	$\leq 0,5$	> 2	≥ 25	< 19	

(H) – Antibiotique distribué en milieu hospitalier

NOUVEL ANTIBIOTIQUE

Oxazolidinone	Species-related breakpoints (S</R>)								
	<i>Enterobacteriaceae</i>	<i>Pseudomonas</i>	<i>Acinetobacter</i>	<i>Staphylococcus</i> ²	<i>Enterococcus</i> ²	<i>Streptococcus</i> A,B,C,G	<i>S.pneumoniae</i>	<i>H.influenzae</i> <i>M.catarrhalis</i>	<i>N.gonorrhoeae</i>
Click on antibiotic name to see wild type MIC distributions and on RD to see rationale document. Linezolid (RD)	--	--	--	4/4	4/4	2/4	2/4	--	--

1. Non-species related breakpoints have been determined mainly on the basis of PK/PD data and are independent of MIC distributions of sp; have not been given a species-specific breakpoint and not for those species where susceptibility testing is not recommended (marked with --)
2. The S/I-breakpoint has been increased from 2.0 to 4.0 mg/L to avoid dividing wild type MIC-distributions. Hence there is no intermediate

-- = Susceptibility testing not recommended as the species is a poor target for therapy with the drug.

IE = There is insufficient evidence that the species in question is a good target for therapy with the drug.

RD = Rationale document listing data used for setting EUCAST breakpoints.



Version*	Date	Action
1.3	2006-07-14	Linezolid rationale document finalised and linked to RD.
1.2	2006-06-20	This table re-arranged in reverse chronological order.
1.1	2006-01-31	Added an explanation of links from antibiotic names to wild type MIC distributions. Table version number added.
1.0	2004-04-30	European linezolid breakpoints harmonised by EUCAST.

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Procédure de 2 ans

Clinical breakpoints

- Penicillins (2007)
- [Cephalosporins](#)
- [Carbapenems](#)
- [Monobactams](#)
- [Fluoroquinolones](#)
- [Aminoglycosides](#)
- [Glycopeptides](#)
- [Oxazolidones](#)
- Macrolides, ketolides & clindamycin, dalbapristine/-quinopristine (2007/08),
- Tetracyclines (2008),
[Tigecycline](#)
- Chloramphenicol (2008),
- [Daptomycin](#),
- Fusidic acid (2008),
- Rifampicin (2008)
- Trimethoprim, sulfamethoxazole, co-trimoxazole (2008),
- Nitrofurantoin (2008)
- Fosfomycin (2008).

Autres antibiotiques

Programme de travail

[**www.eucast.org**](http://www.eucast.org)

EUCAST wild type MIC distributions and epidemiological cut-off values – the concept

Wild type (WT)

- a microorganism is defined as wild type (WT) for a species by the absence of acquired and mutational resistance mechanisms to the drug in question.
- a microorganism is categorized as wild type (WT) for a species by applying the appropriate cut-off value in a defined phenotypic test system.
- wild type microorganisms may or may not respond clinically to antimicrobial treatment.

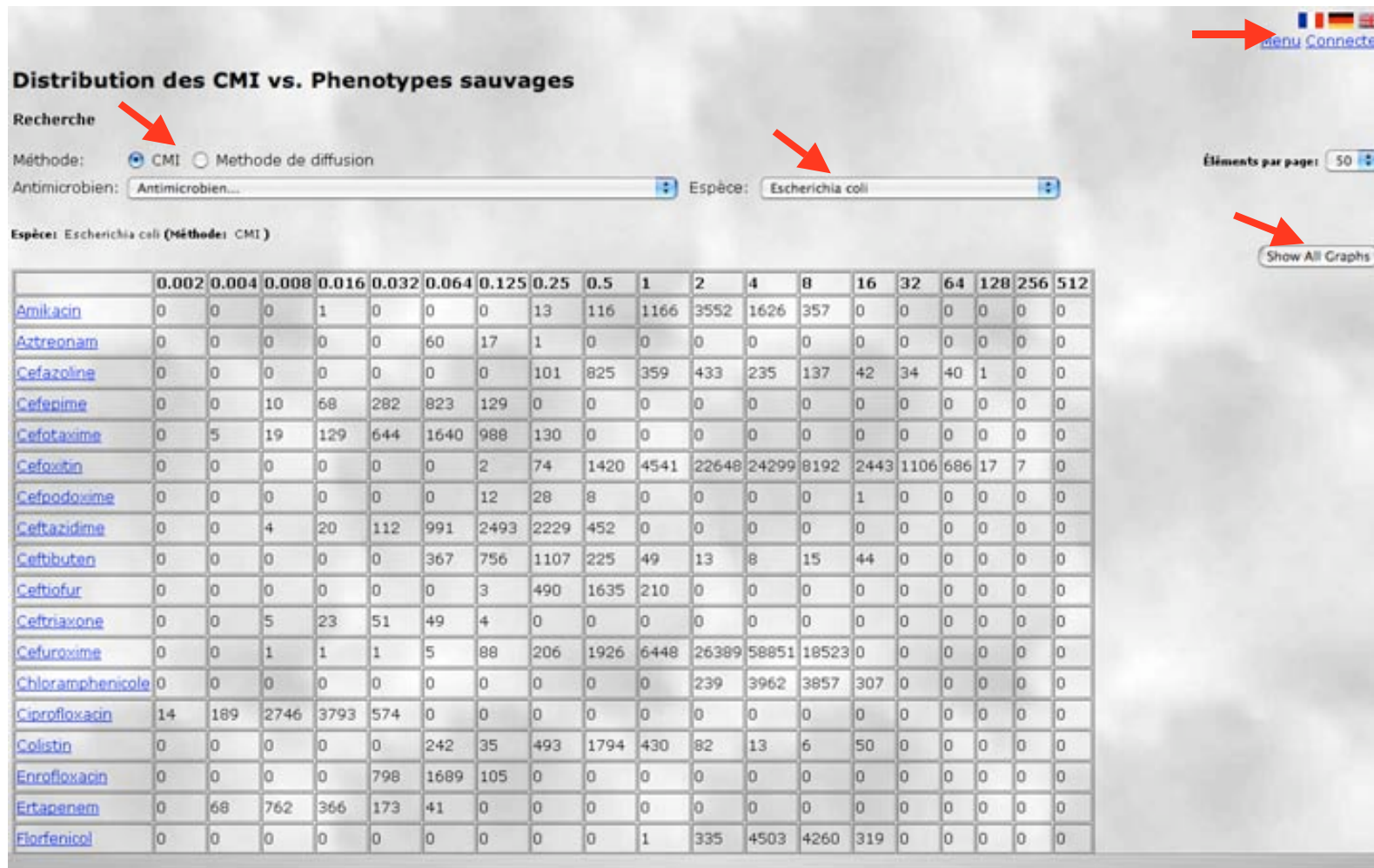
Microbiological resistance - non-wild type (NWT)

- a microorganism is defined as non-wild type (NWT) for a species by the presence of an acquired or mutational resistance mechanism to the drug in question.
- a microorganism is categorized as non-wild type (NWT) for a species by applying the appropriate cut-off value in a defined phenotypic test system.
- non-wild type microorganisms may or may not respond clinically to antimicrobial treatment.

Epidemiological cut-off values will not be altered by changing circumstances.

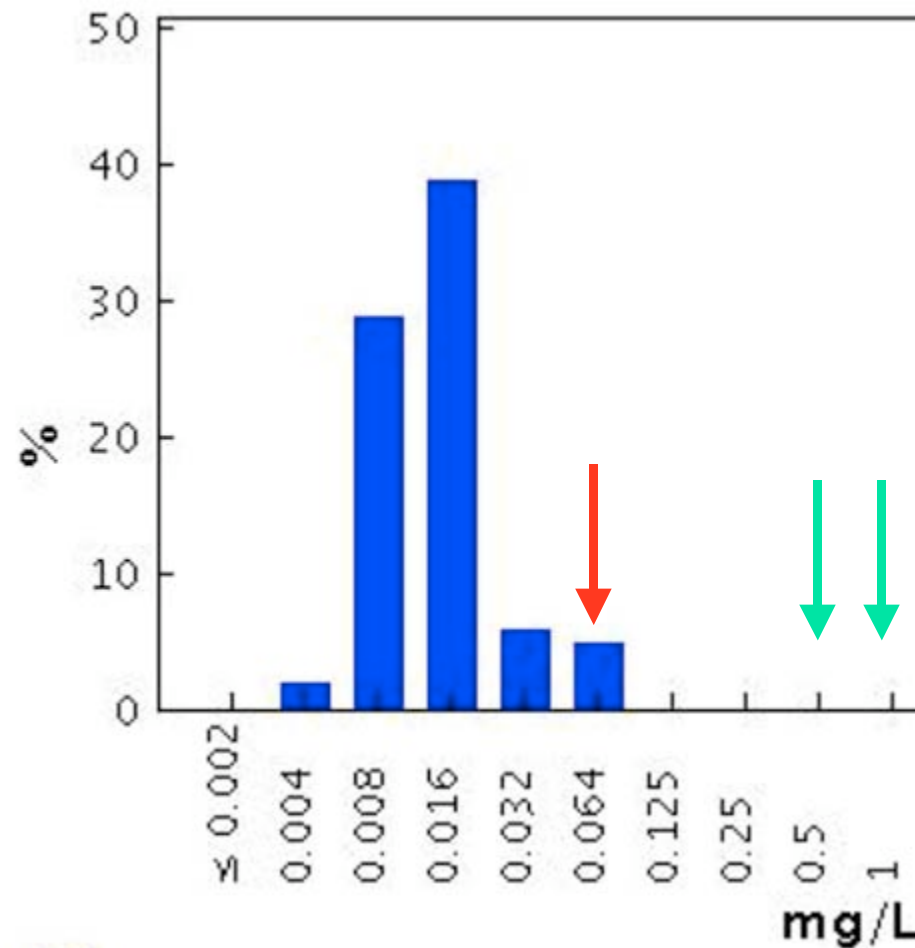
The wild type is presented as $WT \leq c \text{ mg/L}$ and non-wild type as $NWT > X \text{ mg/L}$

EUCAST **developed the concept** of antimicrobial wild type MIC distributions and epidemiological cut-off values (JAC 52:145-148, 2003). Software was created to receive and display large volumes of MIC data for bacteria and fungi over the internet. It is freely available at



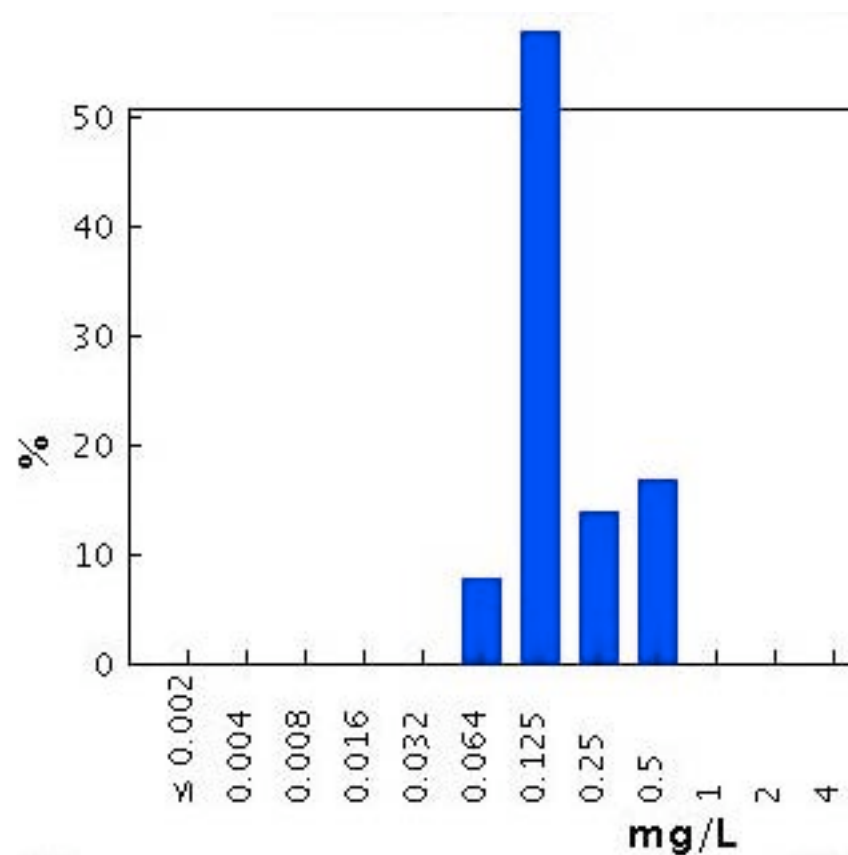
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EUCAST: EXEMPLE DE LA CIPROFLOXACINE (E. coli)



Concentration épidémiologique $\leq 0,64 \text{ mg/L}$

EUCAST: EXEMPLE DE L'IMIPENEME



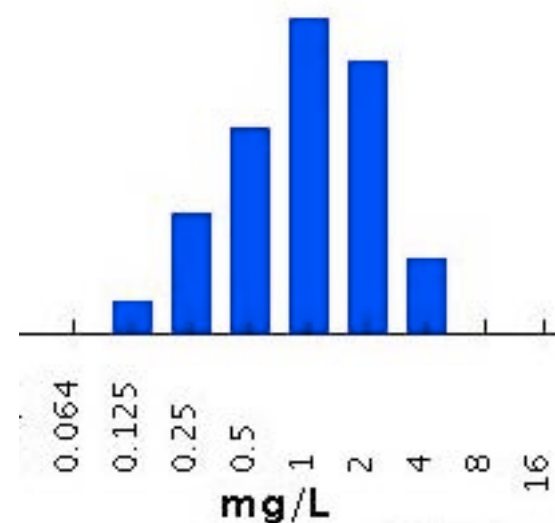
71682 observations (20 sources)

Concentrations cliniques

$c \leq 2$ mg/L

$C > 8$ mg/L

Concentration épidémiologique ≤ 1 mg/L



14865 observations (16 sources)

Concentrations cliniques

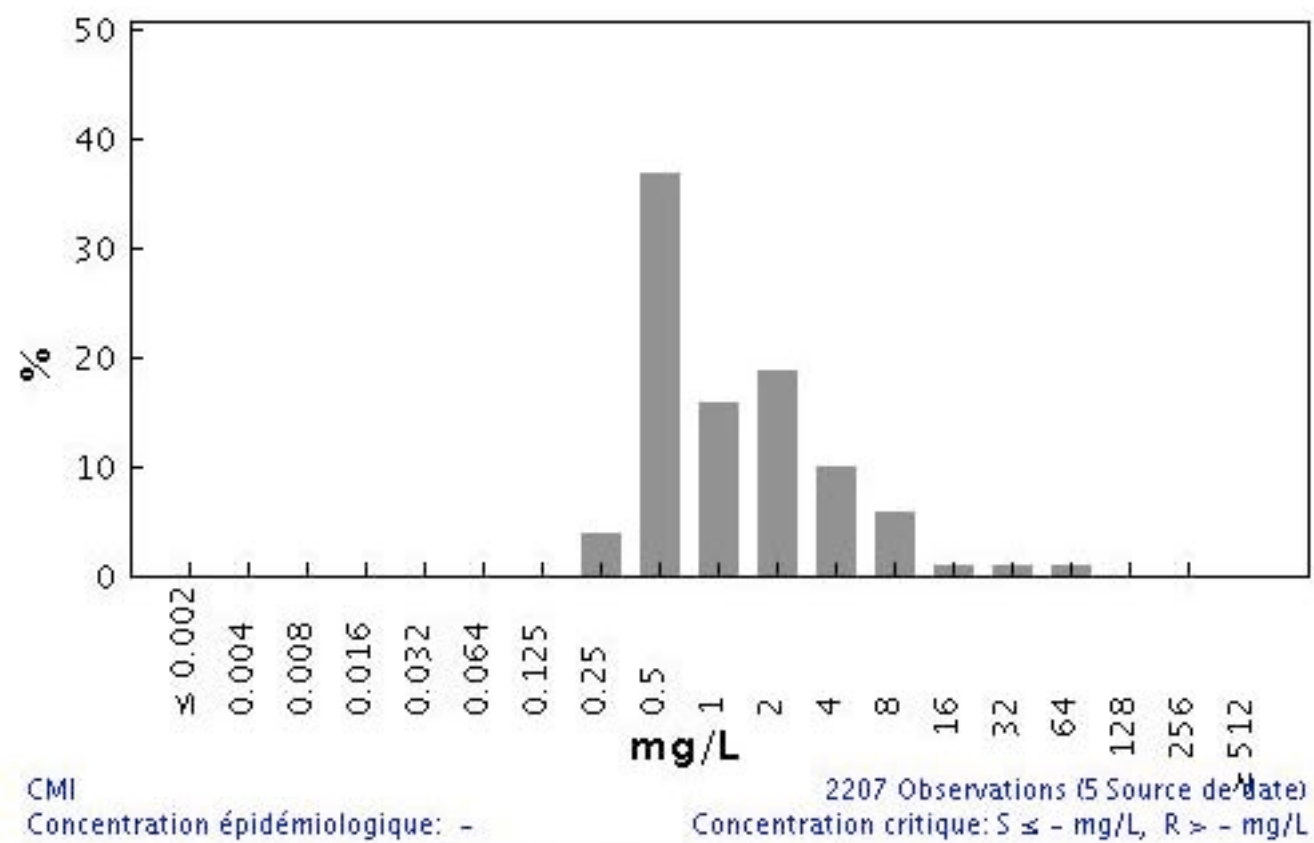
$c \leq 2$ mg/L

$C > 8$ mg/L

Concentration épidémiologique ≤ 4 mg/L

PAS D'ACCORD, DONC EN ATTENTE

E. coli et céfazoline



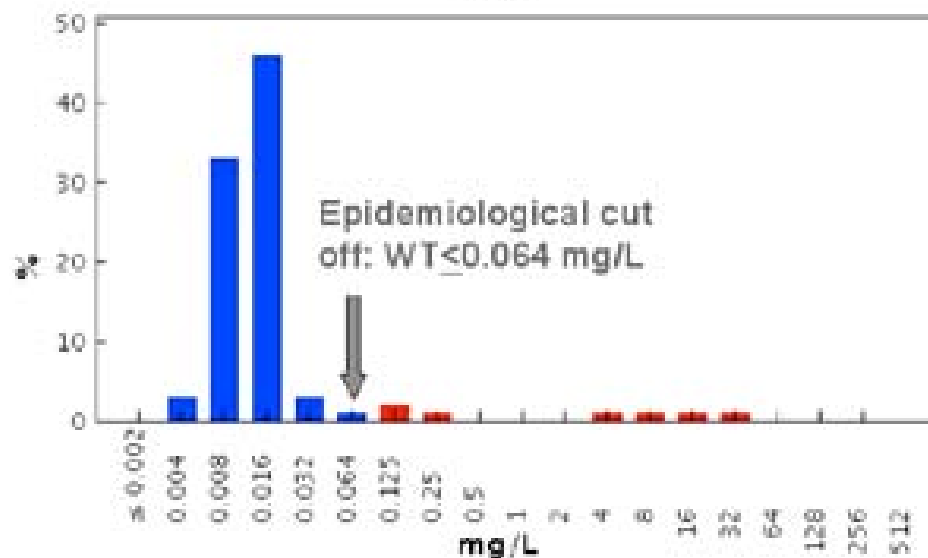
PROCEDURE D'HARMONISATION EUROPEENNE

1 Usage en clinique : comparable

Dosage	BSAC UK	CA-SFM France	CRG Netherlands	DIN Germany	NWGA Norway	SRGA Sweden	
Posologie normale	500 x 2 oral 400 x 2 iv	500 x 2 oral 200 x 2 iv	250 x 2 oral 200 x iv	500 x 2 oral 200 x 2 iv	200-400 x 2 oral 400 x 2 iv	500 x 2 oral 400 x 2 iv	
Posologie maximale	750 x 2 oral 400 x 3 iv	750 x 2 oral 400 x 3 iv	750 x 2 oral 400 x 3 iv	750 x 2 oral 400 x 2 iv	data pending	750 x 2 oral 400 x 3 iv	
Présentations	oral, iv	oral, iv	oral, iv	oral, iv	oral, iv	oral, iv	

2 Distribution des CMI, valeur épidémiologique: Accord

Ciprofloxacin
E. coli



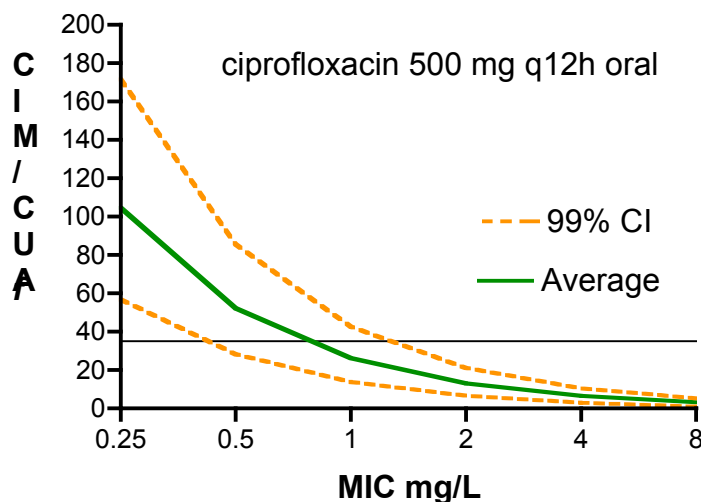
PROCEDURE D'HARMONISATION EUROPEENNE

3 Etude comparative des concentrations critiques

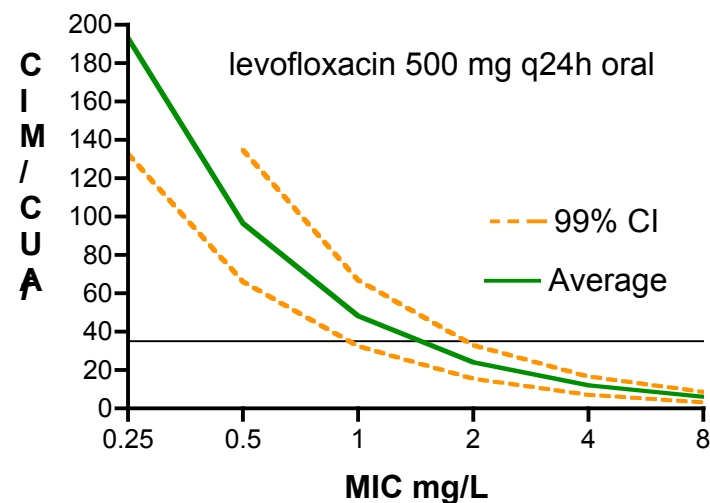
Breakpoints prior to harmonisation (mg/L) S ≤ R >							
	BSAC	CA-SFM	CRG	DIN	NWGA	SRGA	NCCLS
	ND	1/2	1/2	1/2	0.125/2	1/2	
Species related breakpoints		not yet		no			
Enterobacteriaceae	1/1				0.12/2	0.12/1	1/2
<i>Pseudomonas</i> spp.	1/4				ND	1/1	1/2
<i>Acinetobacter</i> spp.						1/1	1/2
Staphylococci	1/1				0.12/2	0.06/2	1/2
Streptococci	1/1	excluded			0.12/2	0.12/2	excl
<i>S. pneumoniae</i>	2/2 (I)*	excluded			0.12/2 (I)*	0.12/2 (I)*	excl
Enterococci	excluded	excluded			0.12/2	0.12/2	1/2
<i>Haemophilus/Moraxella</i> spp.	1/1				0.12/0.5	0.12/0.25	1/-
Corynebacteria						excl	
<i>N. Meningitidis</i>	1/1				0.06/0.12	0.03/0.25	
<i>N. Gonorrhoeae</i>	0.06/-		0.06/1		0.06/0.12	0.06/0.25	0.06/0.5
<i>P. Multocida</i>	ND				ND	0.12/0.25	
Anaerobes	excluded				ND	excluded	
<i>Campylobacter</i> spp.	1/1						
<i>Helicobacter pylori</i>	2/2	no	no		no	no	

PROCEDURE D'HARMONISATION EUROPEENNE

4 Etude pharmacocinétique (PK, PD)



S = 0.5 mg/L



S = 1 mg/L

5 Etude clinique pour définir c et C

6 Tentative de proposition de c. critiques (steering and national committees)

7 Proposition de c. critiques auprès des comités nationaux

8 Tentative de proposition de c. critiques (experts, réactifs, industrie)

9 Publication officielle sur site

EUCAST breakpoint tables

(rationale documents)

<http://www.eucast.org>

Aminoglycosides - EUCAST clinical MIC breakpoints 2006-01-31

Aminoglycosides ¹	Species-related breakpoints (S</R>)						Non-species related breakpoints ⁵ S</R>
	Enterobacteriaceae	Pseudomonas	S. pneumoniae	H. influenzae M. catarrhalis	N. gonorrhoeae	N. meningitidis	Gram-negative anaerobes
Amikacin			--	IE	--	--	8/16
Gentamicin			--	IE	--	--	2/4
Netilmicin	2/4		--	IE	--	--	2/4
Tobramycin	2/4		--	IE	--	--	2/4

Click on name to directly access MIC distributions

- The aminoglycoside breakpoints are based on modern once-daily administration of high aminoglycoside dosages. Most often aminoglycosides refer to breakpoints determined by national breakpoint committees.
- The S/I breakpoint has been increased from 2 to 4 mg/L for agents other than amikacin to avoid divergence for *Acinetobacter* species.
- Enterococcus* spp - aminoglycoside monotherapy is ineffective against enterococci. There is synergistic effect in enterococci with high level aminoglycoside resistance, i.e. with gentamicin. There is no synergistic effect in enterococci with high level aminoglycoside resistance, i.e. with gentamicin.
- Resistance to amikacin and kanamycin is most reliably determined using kanamycin as test substance.
- Non-species related breakpoints have been determined mainly on the basis of PK/PD data and are given a species-specific breakpoint and not for those species where susceptibility testing is not recommended.

-- = Susceptibility testing not recommended as the species is a poor target for therapy with the drug.
IE = There is insufficient evidence that the species in question is a good target for therapy with the drug.

“ashed” – laboratories are recommended not to test against this species

Version*	Date	Action
1.2	2006-01-31	Added an explanation of links from antibiotic names to wild type MIC distributions. Revised table version number added.
1.1	2004-04-30	European aminoglycoside breakpoints harmonised by EUCAST.

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Insufficient evidence

HARMONISATION EUROPEENNE : CONSEQUENCES

A: Harmonisation des prévalences de résistance

	c, C	R (%)
BSAC	2 / 2	18 %
CA-SFM	4 / 32	0.6 %
CRG	4 / 8	0.9 %
DIN	2 / 8	11 %
NCCLS	8 / 32	0.6 %
NWGA	1 / 2	18 %
SRGA	0.5 / 1	2.6 %
"cut off"	< 0.5	5.0 %

B: Moindre importance de la lecture interprétative

C: Alerte plus rapide de nouveaux mécanismes de résistance

D: Suppression des catégories cliniques (aminosides.....)

E: Passage de S à I ou I à S (vérifier la mise à jour des automates)

Quelques exemples

AMINOGLYCOSIDES

Aminoglycosides ²		Species-related breakpoints (S</R>)								Non-species related breakpoints ¹ S</R>
		<i>Enterobacteriaceae</i>	<i>Pseudomonas</i> ³	<i>Acinetobacter</i> ⁴	<i>Staphylococcus</i>	<i>Enterococcus</i> ⁴	<i>Streptococcus</i> A,B,C,G	<i>S.pneumoniae</i>	<i>H.influenzae M.catarrhalis</i>	
Amikacin	RD	8/16	8/16	8/16	8/16 ⁵	--	--	--	IE	8/16
Gentamicin	RD	2/4	4/4	4/4	1/1	--	--	--	IE	2/4
Netilmicin	RD	2/4	4/4	4/4	1/1	--	--	--	IE	2/4
Tobramycin	RD	2/4	4/4	4/4	1/1	--	--	--	IE	2/4

changements

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1 Non-species related breakpoints have been determined mainly on the basis of PK/PD data and are independent of MIC distributions of specific species. They are for use only for species that have not been given a species-specific breakpoint and not for those species where susceptibility testing is not recommended (marked with -- or IE in the table).

2 The aminoglycoside breakpoints are based on modern once-daily administration of high aminoglycoside dosages. Most often aminoglycosides are given in combination with beta-lactam agents. For unlisted aminoglycosides refer to breakpoints determined by national breakpoint committees.

3 The S/I breakpoint has been increased from 2 to 4 mg/L for agents other than amikacin to avoid dividing the wild type MIC distribution. Thus there is no intermediate category for *Pseudomonas* species and *Acinetobacter* species.

4 *Enterococcus* spp - aminoglycoside monotherapy is ineffective against enterococci. There is synergism between aminoglycosides and betalactams in enterococci without acquired resistance mechanisms. There is no synergistic effect in enterococci with high level aminoglycoside resistance, i.e with gentamicin MIC>128 mg/L.

5 Resistance to amikacin and kanamycin is most reliably determined using kanamycin as test substance.

- = **Susceptibility testing not recommended** as the species is a poor target for therapy with the drug.

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-RD = **Rationale document** listing data used for setting EUCAST breakpoints

Fluoroquinolone ²		Species-related breakpoints (S≤/R>)									
		Entero- bacteriaceae ³	Pseudo- monas/	Acineto- bacter	Staphylo- coccus	Entero- coccus	Strepto- coccus A,B,C,G	S.pneu- moniae ⁵	H.influenzae M.catarrhalis	N.gonorr- hoeae	N.menin- gitidis ⁸
Ciprofloxacin	RD	0.5/1	0.5/1	1/1 ⁴	1/1 ⁵	--	--	0.125/2	0.5/0.5 ⁷	0.03/0.06	0.03/0.06
Levofloxacin	RD	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	--	1/2	2/2	1/1 ⁷	IE	IE
Moxifloxacin	RD	0.5/1	--	--	0.5/1	--	0.5/1	0.5/0.5	0.5/0.5 ⁷	IE	IE
Norfloxacin	RD	0.5/1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	IE	--
Ofloxacin	RD	0.5/1	--	--	1/1 ³	--	--	0.125/4	0.5/0.5 ⁷	0.12/0.25	IE

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2 For bp for other fluoroquinolones (eg. pefloxacin and enoxacin) - refer to bp determined by national breakpoint committees.

3 *Salmonella* spp - there is clinical evidence for cip to indicate a poor response in systemic infections caused by *Salmonella* spp with low-level fluoroquinolone resistance (MIC> 0.064 mg/L).....

4 The S/I breakpoint has been increased from 0.5 to 1 mg/L to avoid dividing the wild type MIC distribution.....

5 *Staphylococcus* spp - breakpoints for ciprofloxacin and ofloxacin relate to high dose therapy.

6 WT *S.pneumoniae* are not considered susceptible to ciprofloxacin or ofloxacin and are therefore categorized as intermediate.....

7 Strains with MIC values above the S/I breakpoint are very rare or not yet reported.....

Glycopeptides		Species-related breakpoints (S≤/I)							
		Enterobac- teriaceae	Pseudomonas	Acinetobacter	Staphylo- coccus ²	Entero- coccus	Strepto- coccus A,B,C,G	S.pneu- moniae	H
Click on antibiotic name to see wild type MIC distributions.									
Vancomycin	RD	--	--	--	4/8 ²	4/8	4/4 ³	4/4 ³	
Teicoplanin	RD	--	--	--	4/8 ²	4/8	4/4 ³	4/4 ³	

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2 *Staphylococcus aureus* may be categorized as falsely susceptible to glycopeptides as glycopeptide MICs for strains with reduced susceptibility are dependant on the test conditions, in particular the medium used.

3 Strains with MIC values above the S/I breakpoint are very rare or not yet reported. The id and ist must be repeated and if the result is confirmed the isolate sent to a reference laboratory.

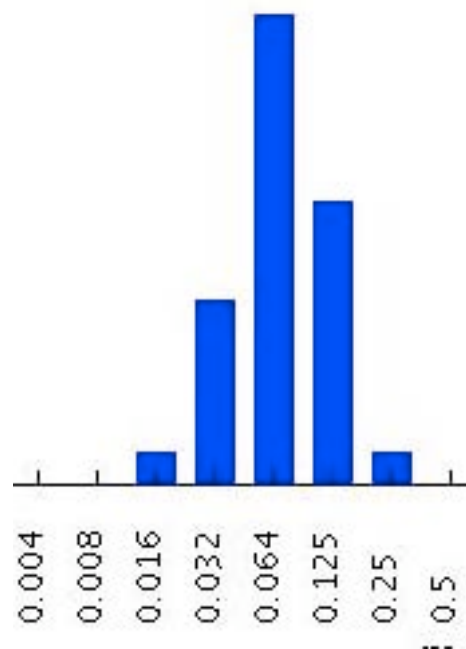
Until there is evidence regarding clinical response for confirmed isolates with MIC above the current resistant breakpoint (in italics) they should be reported resistant.

Cephalosporins		Species-related breakpoints (S≤/R>)								
		<i>Enterobac- teriaceae</i> ²	<i>Pseudo- monas</i> ³	<i>Acineto- bacter</i>	<i>Staphylo- coccus</i> ⁴	<i>Entero- coccus</i>	<i>Strepto- coccus A,B,C,G</i>	<i>S.pneu- moniae</i>	<i>H.influenzae M.catarrhalis</i>	<i>N.gonorr- hoeae</i>
Cefazolin	RD	--	--	--	note ⁴	--	--	--	--	--
Cefepime	RD	1/8	8/8	--	note ⁴	--	0.5/0.5 ⁶	1/2	0.25/0.25 ⁶	--
Cefotaxime	RD	1/2	--	--	note ⁴	--	0.5/0.5 ⁶	0.5/2 ⁶	0.12/0.12 ⁶	0.12/0.12 ⁶
Ceftazidime	RD	1/8	8/8	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Ceftriaxone	RD	1/2	--	--	note ⁴	--	0.5/0.5 ⁶	0.5/2 ⁶	0.12/0.12 ⁶	0.12/0.12 ⁶
Cefuroxime	RD	8/8 ⁵	--	--	note ⁴	--	0.5/0.5 ⁶	0.5/1	1/2	--

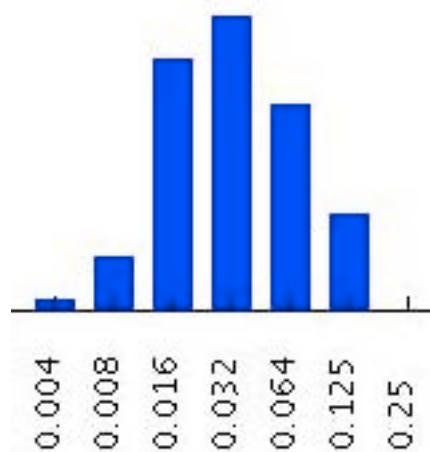
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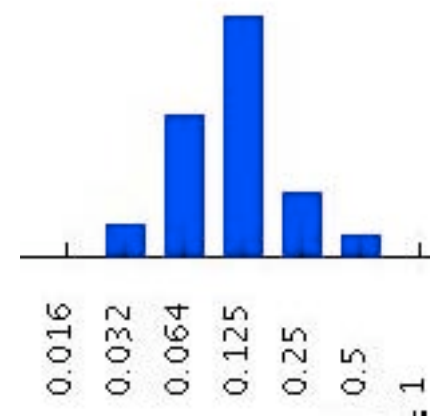
E. coli



K. pneumoniae



E. cloacae



E. aerogenes

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CEPHALOSPORINES

- 2** The cephalosporin breakpoints for Enterobacteriaceae will detect resistance mediated by most ESBLs and other clinically important beta-lactamases in Enterobacteriaceae. However, some ESBL-producing strains may appear susceptible or intermediate with these breakpoints. Laboratories may want to use a test which specifically screens for the presence of ESBL.
- 3** For cefepime and ceftazidime the susceptible breakpoint for *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* has been increased to avoid dividing the MIC wild type distribution. The breakpoint relates to high dosage of both drugs, i.e. 2 g x 3.
- 4** Susceptibility of staphylococci to cephalosporins is inferred from the methicillin susceptibility (except ceftazidime which should not be used for staphylococcal infections).
- 5** The non-species related S/I breakpoint of 4 mg/L divides the wild type MIC distributions of relevant Enterobacteriaceae. To avoid this, the S/I-breakpoint has been increased to 8 mg/L. The breakpoint pertains to a dosage of 1.5 g x 3 and to *E.coli* and *Klebsiella spp* only.
- 6** Strains with MIC values above the S/I breakpoint are very rare or not yet reported. The ID and AST must be repeated and if the result is confirmed the isolate sent to a reference laboratory. Until there is evidence regarding clinical response for confirmed isolates with MIC above the current resistant breakpoint (in italics) they should be reported resistant.



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