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# One Health approach for antimicrobial resistance

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# My presentation

- Microorganisms
- One Health
- Antibiotic/ Antimicrobial
- Antimicrobial resistance (AMR)
- Resistance acquisition
- Food of animal origin
- Companion animals
- Antimicrobial stewardship

# Microrganisms

- Most abundant living beings on Earth
- Humans and other animals - colonized on surfaces exposed to the environment
- In the gastrointestinal tract - commensal bacteria are 10 times more numerous than host cells
- Indigenous microbiota is responsible for several vital functions for the host: vitamin synthesis, complex polysaccharide digestion, maintenance of intestinal epithelial barrier, prevent colonization by pathogens, stimulation of immune system development → host health depends on its microbiota → microbioma → HEALTH/ DISEASE

# Microorganisms

- Microbiota - symbiotic bacteria (commensalism/ mutualism)
- Opportunistic pathogens → acute infections (from environment or other parts of the body)
- Patobionts – symbionts of indigenous microbiota with pathogenic potential → chronic inflammation
- Pathogens - cause disease even in healthy individuals

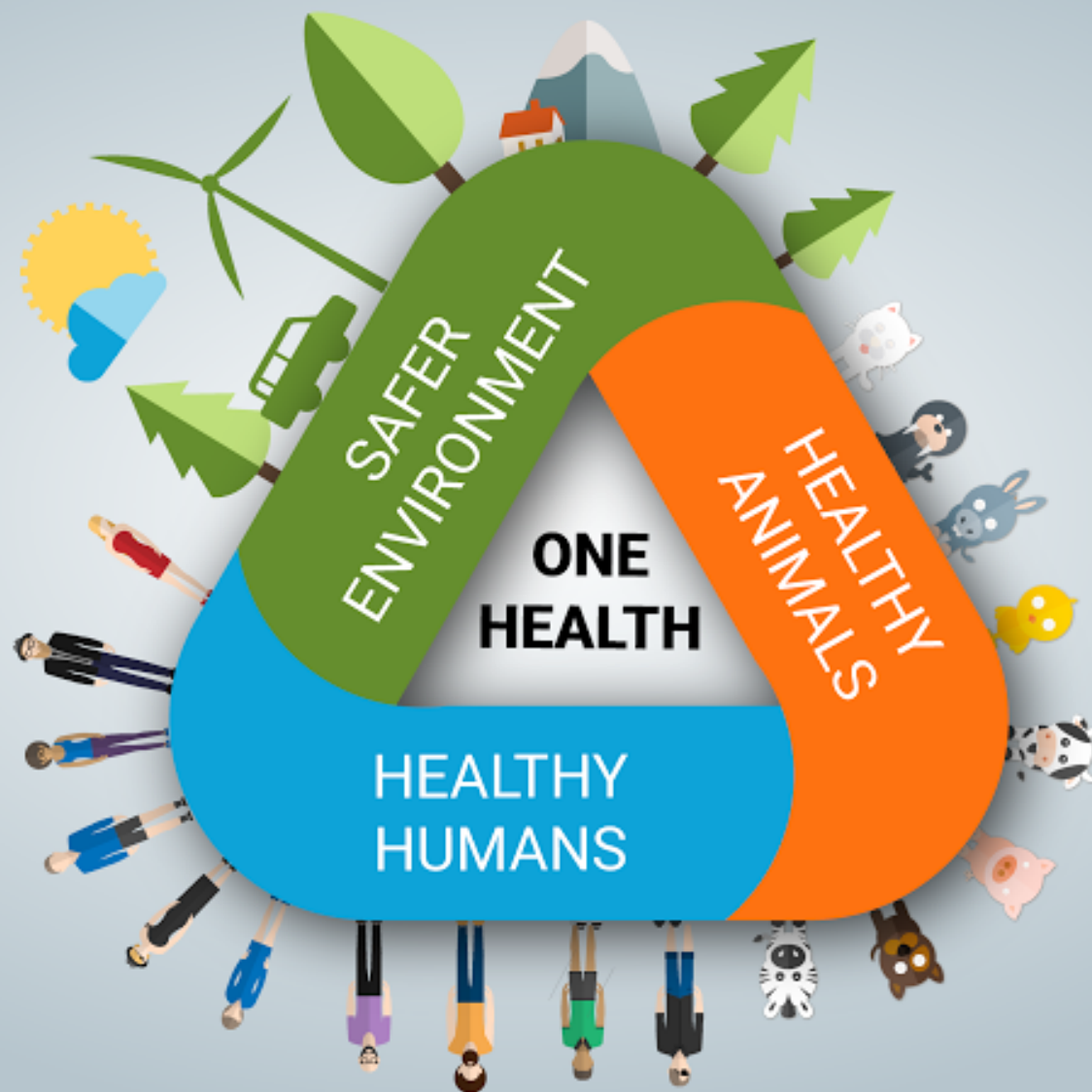
# One Health

Concept - worldwide strategy for expanding interdisciplinary collaborations and communications in all aspects of health care for humans, animals and the environment

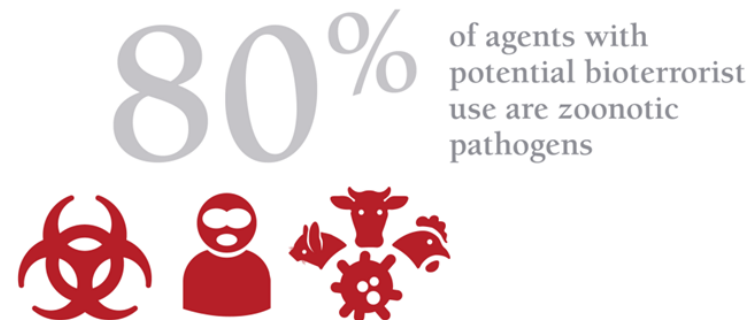
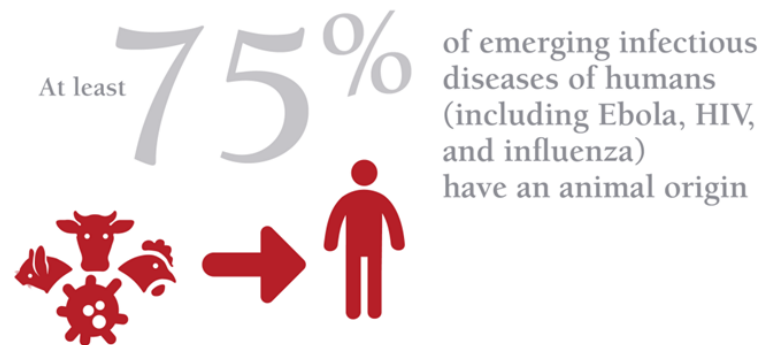
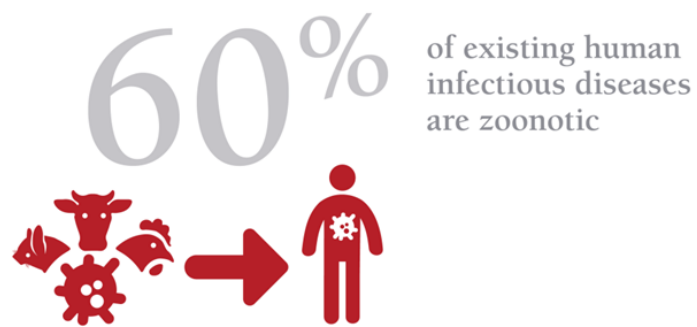
The synergism achieved will advance health care for the 21st century and beyond by:

- accelerating biomedical research discoveries
- enhancing public health efficacy
- expeditiously expanding the scientific knowledge base
- improving medical education and clinical care

When properly implemented, it will help protect and save untold millions of lives in our present and future generations



- ZONOSIS - Infectious disease transmissible, in natural conditions, from vertebrates - both domestic and wild - to man and *vice-versa*



# Antibiotic/ Antimicrobial

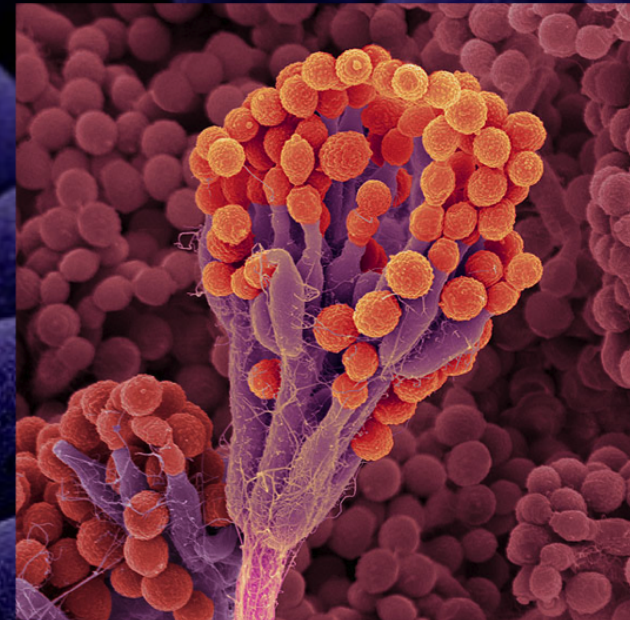
- **Antibiotic** - Chemical substances produced by microorganisms which in very low concentrations kill or selectively inhibit other micro-organisms

- **Bactérias**

- *Streptomyces* spp
- *Micromonospora* spp
- *Bacillus* spp

- **Fungos**

- *Penicillium* spp
- *Cephalosporium* spp



*Penicillium notatum*



# Antibiotic/ Antimicrobial

- Antimicrobials — various chemical substances that inhibit microorganisms including antibiotics

## Exemples of nonantibiotic antimicrobials

- Sulfamides
- Quinolones

Both may be applied internally unlike disinfectants and antiseptics, which are applied to inert materials or to external tissues

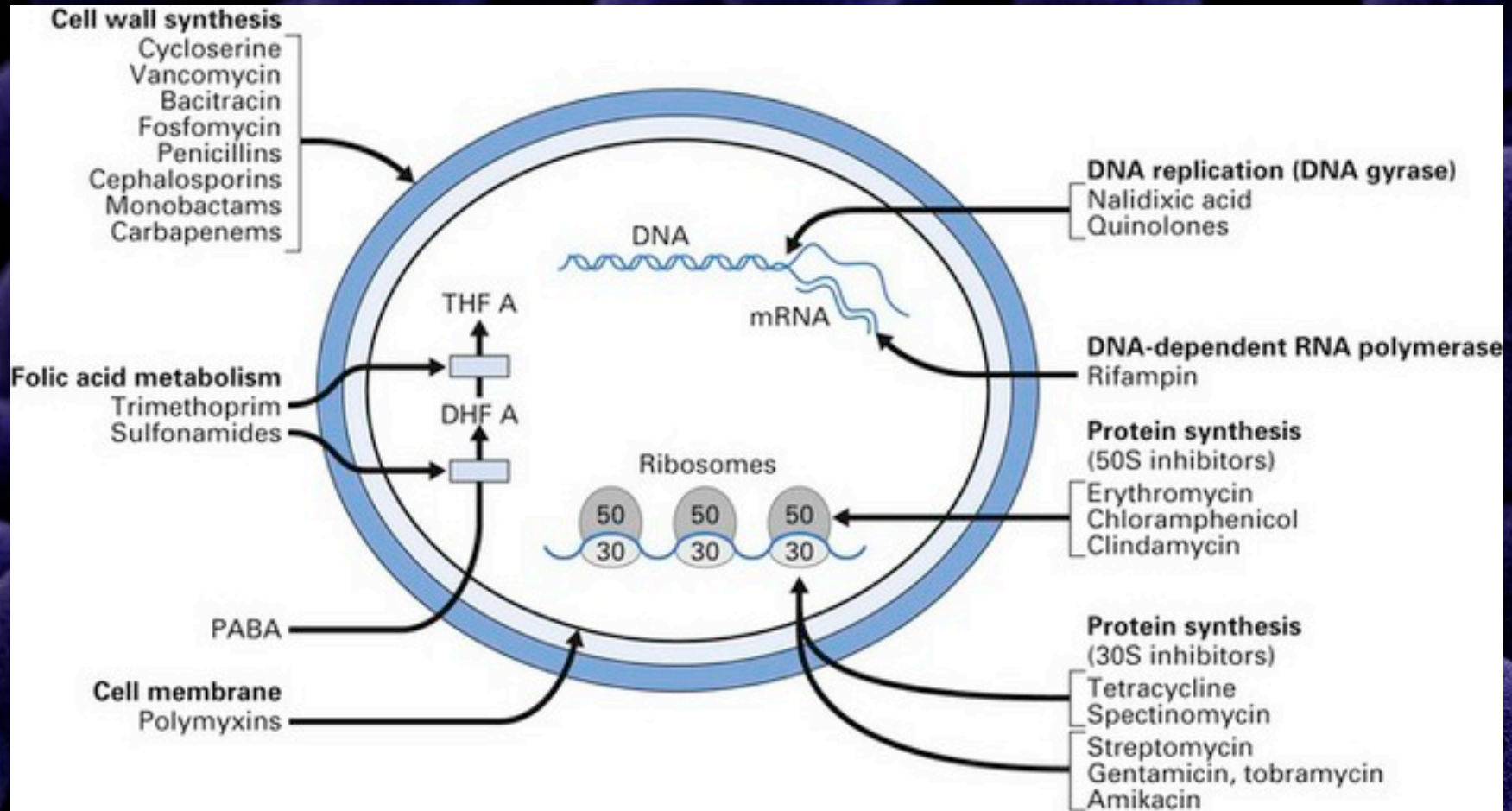
# Antibiotic/ Antimicrobial Mechanism of action

- Acting on the bacterial cell wall
  - $\beta$ -Lactams
  - Glycopeptides
  - Phosphonopeptides
- Acting on the cytoplasmic membrane
  - Gramicidins
  - Polymyxins
- Acting on protein synthesis
  - Aminoglycosides – 30S
  - Tetracyclins – 30S
  - Macrolides, lincosamides, streptogramins, ketolides (MLSK) – 50S
  - Chloramphenicol – 50S

# Antibiotic/ Antimicrobial Mechanism of action

- Acting on nucleic acid synthesis
  - Quinolones
  - Metronidazole
  - Nitrofurans
  - Rifampicin
- Acting as folate pathway inhibitors
  - Sulfamides
  - Trimethoprim

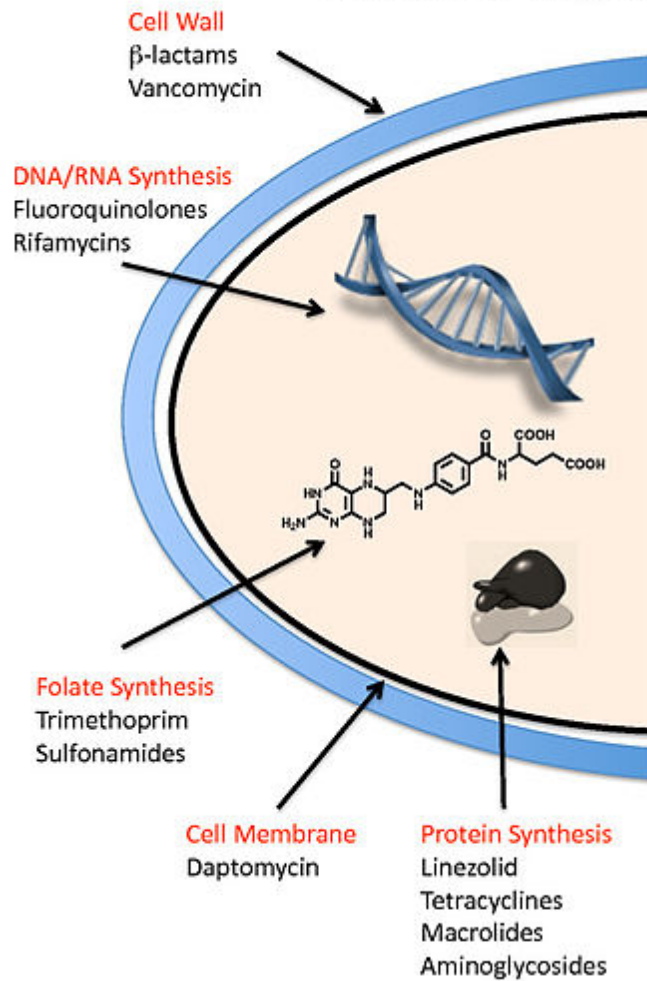
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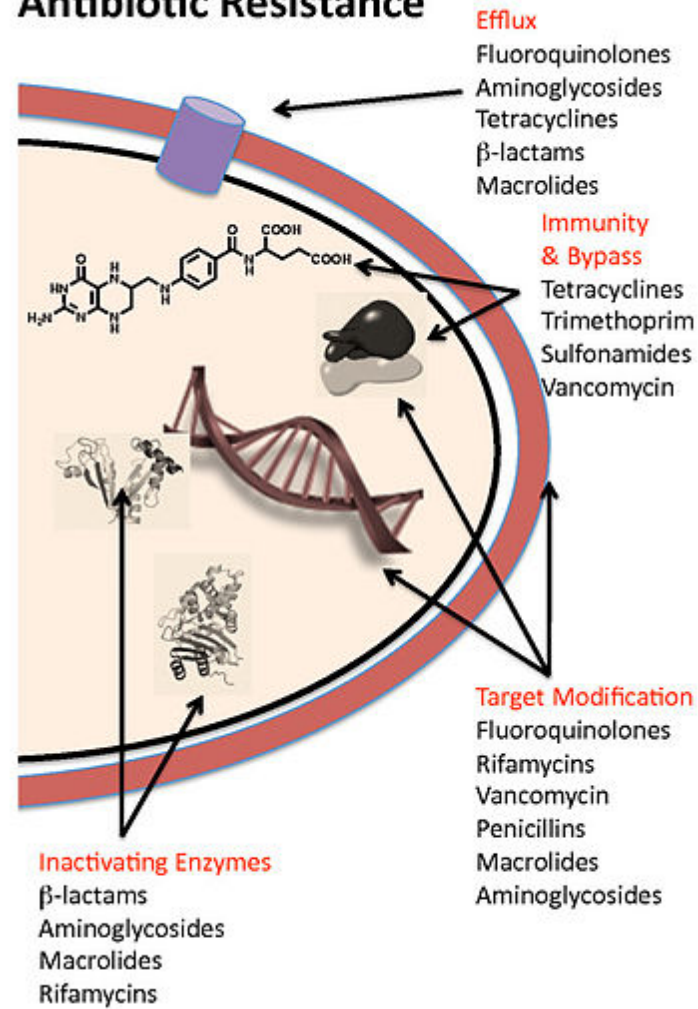
# Antimicrobial resistance (AMR)

- Reduction in the drug quantity reaching the target
  - Impermeability
  - Up-regulated efflux systems
- Target modification
  - Mutation (conferring target resistance)
  - Target bypassed (acquisition of external genes allowing targets to be bypassed)
- Antimicrobial inactivation

## Antibiotic Targets

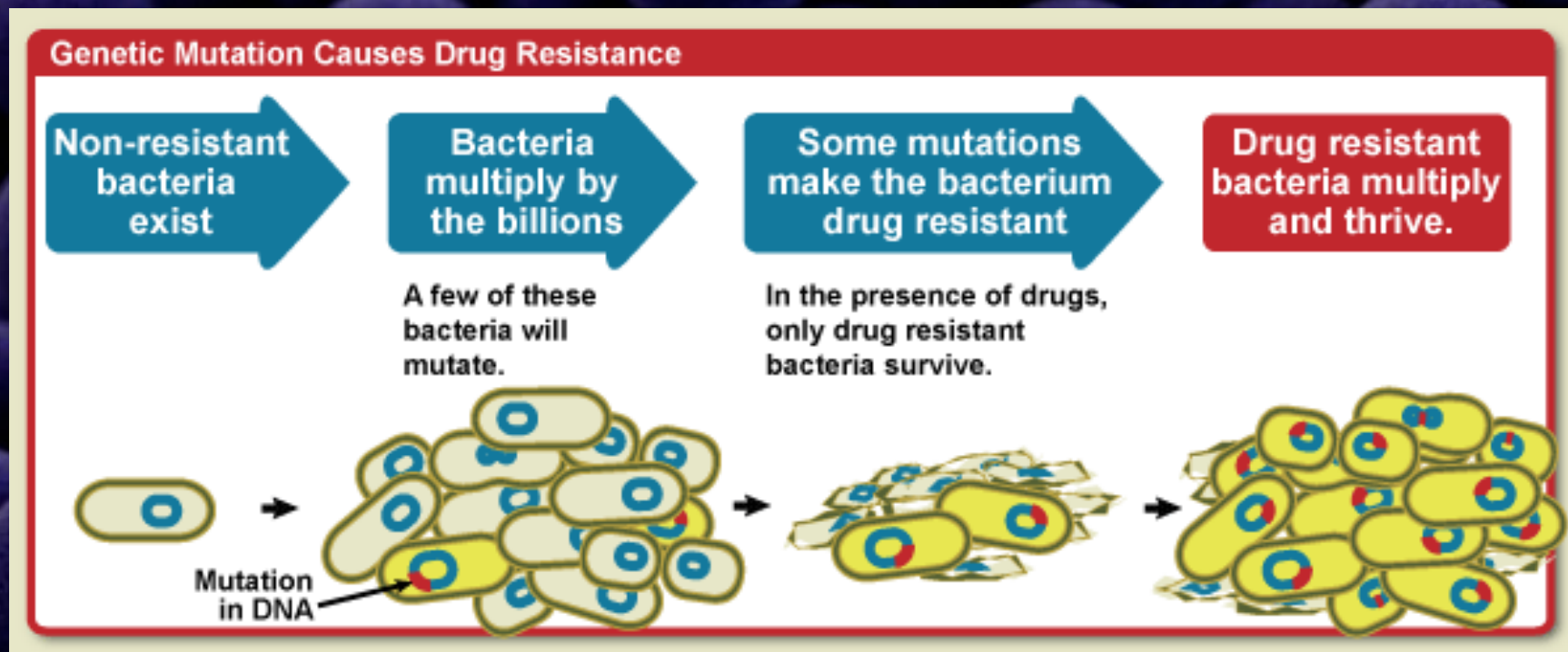


## Antibiotic Resistance



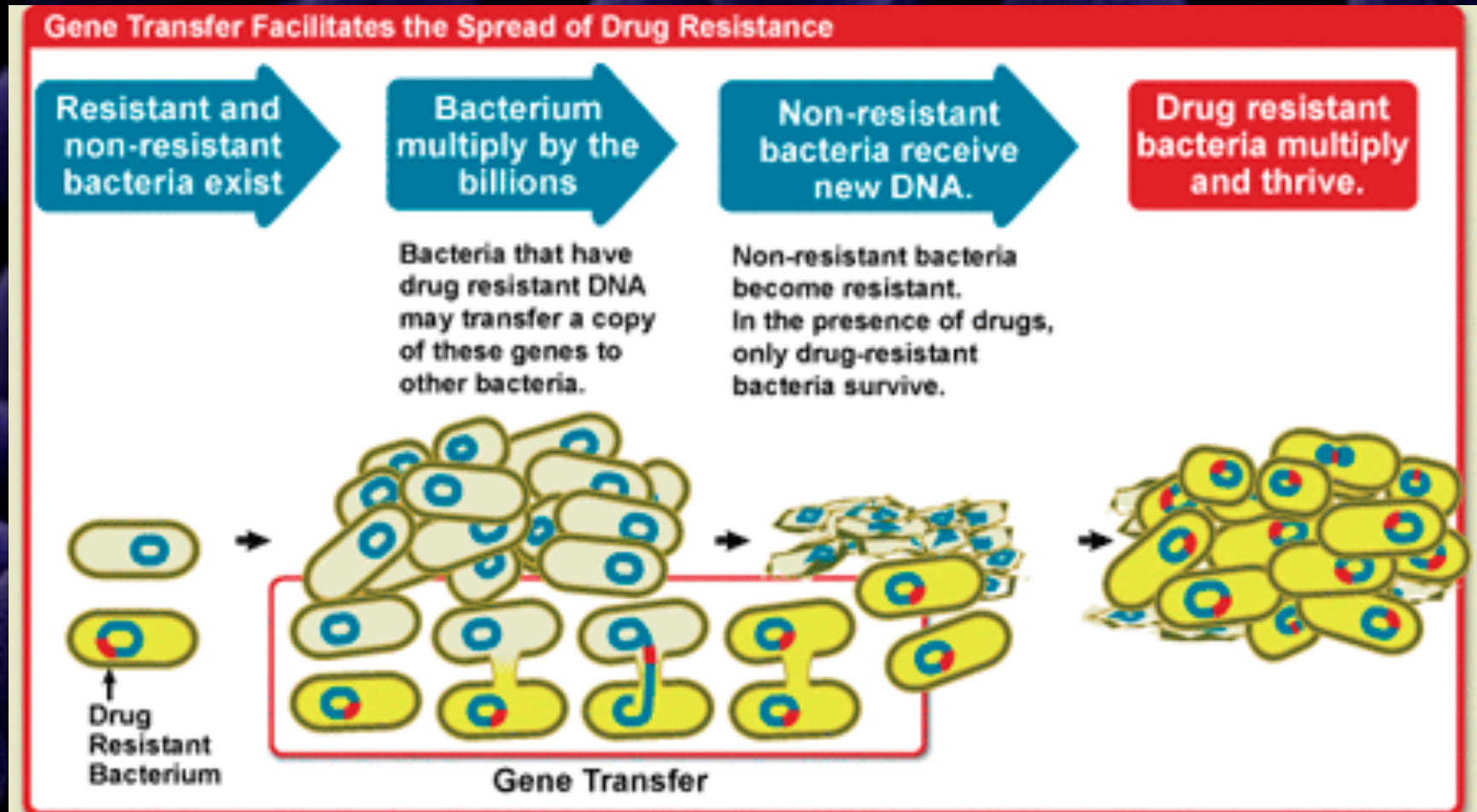
# Resistance acquisition

## Mutation



# Resistance acquisition

## Gene transfer



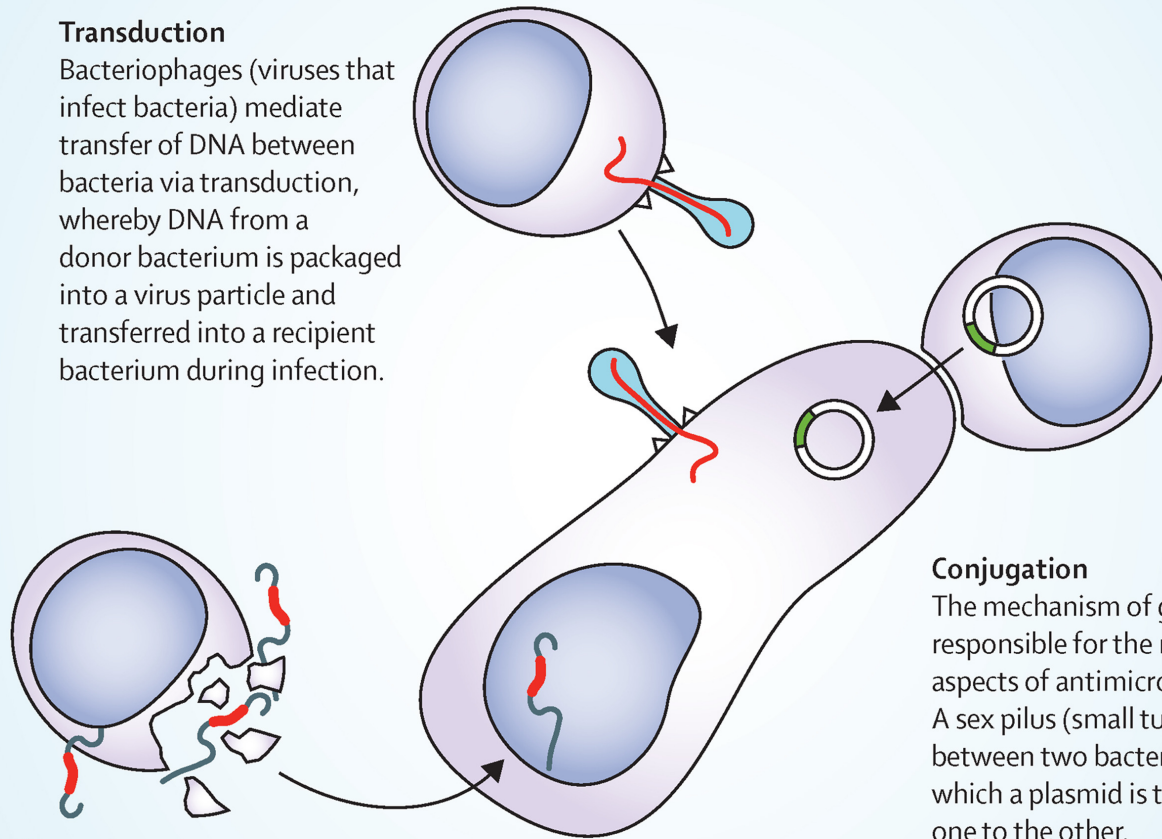


# Resistance acquisition

## Gene transfer

### Transduction

Bacteriophages (viruses that infect bacteria) mediate transfer of DNA between bacteria via transduction, whereby DNA from a donor bacterium is packaged into a virus particle and transferred into a recipient bacterium during infection.



### Transformation

Some bacteria are able to take up free DNA from the environment and incorporate it into their chromosome.

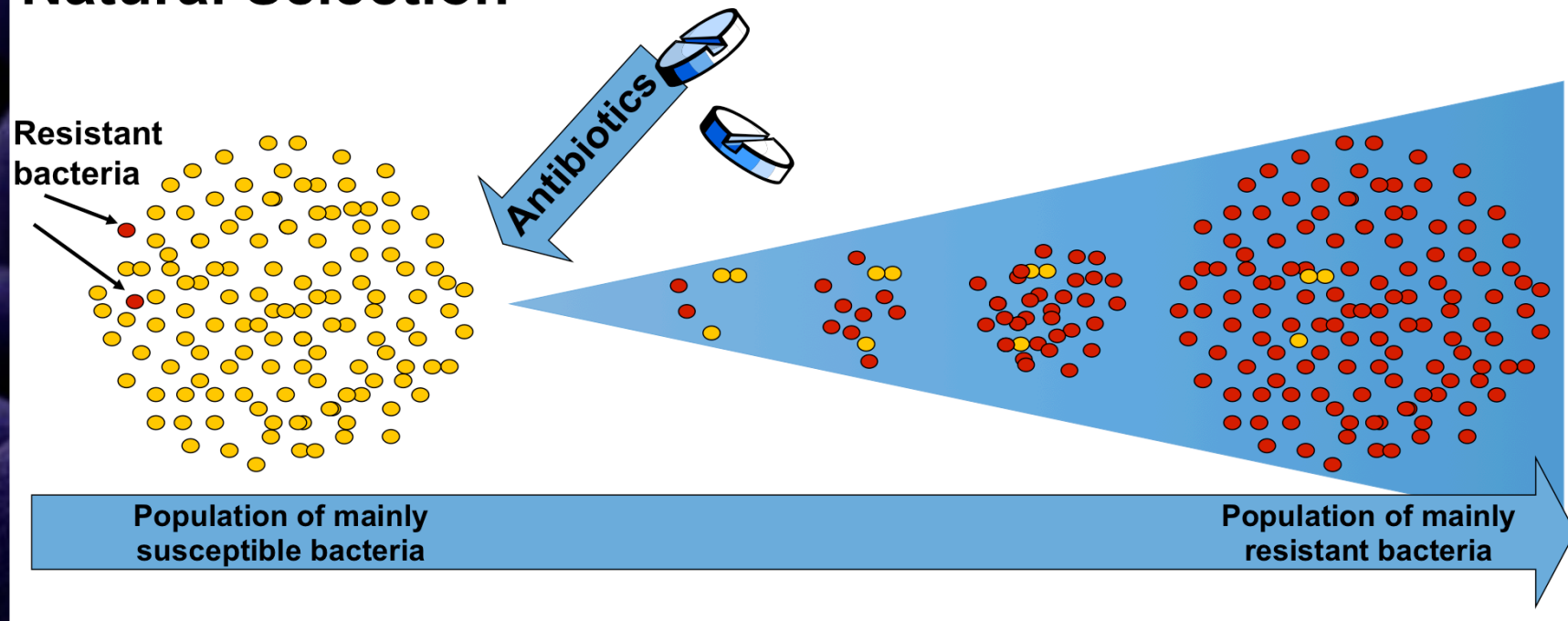
### Conjugation

The mechanism of gene transfer responsible for the most concerning aspects of antimicrobial resistance. A sex pilus (small tube) forms between two bacterial cells through which a plasmid is transferred from one to the other.

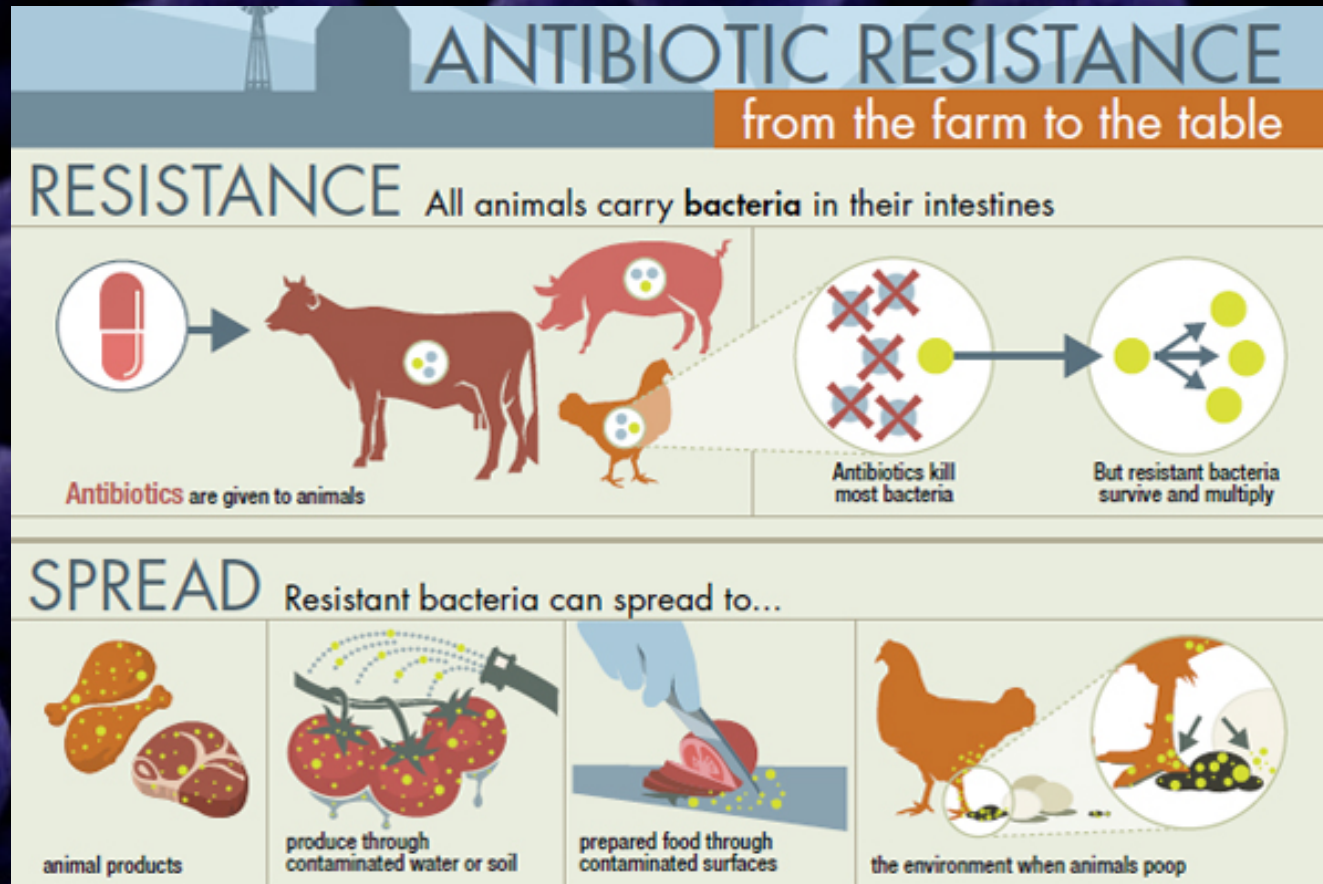
# Resistance acquisition

## Selection pressure

### Natural Selection

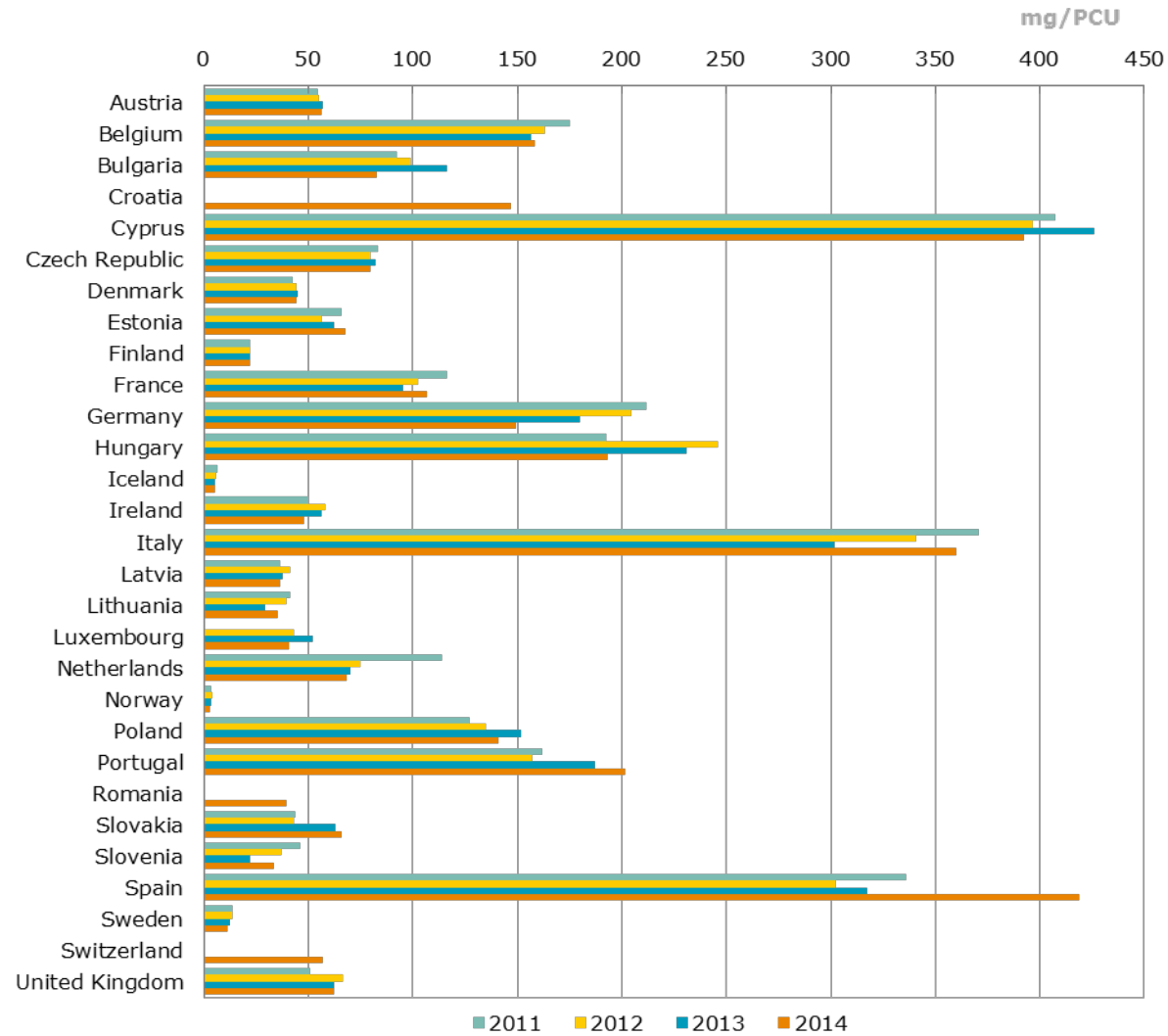


# Food of animal origin



Consumption of food products  
microorganisms from the animal's microbiome → consumer

Figure 55. Total sales of veterinary antimicrobial agents for food-producing species, in mg/PCU, from 2011 to 2014, for 29 European countries1-7



# Portugal

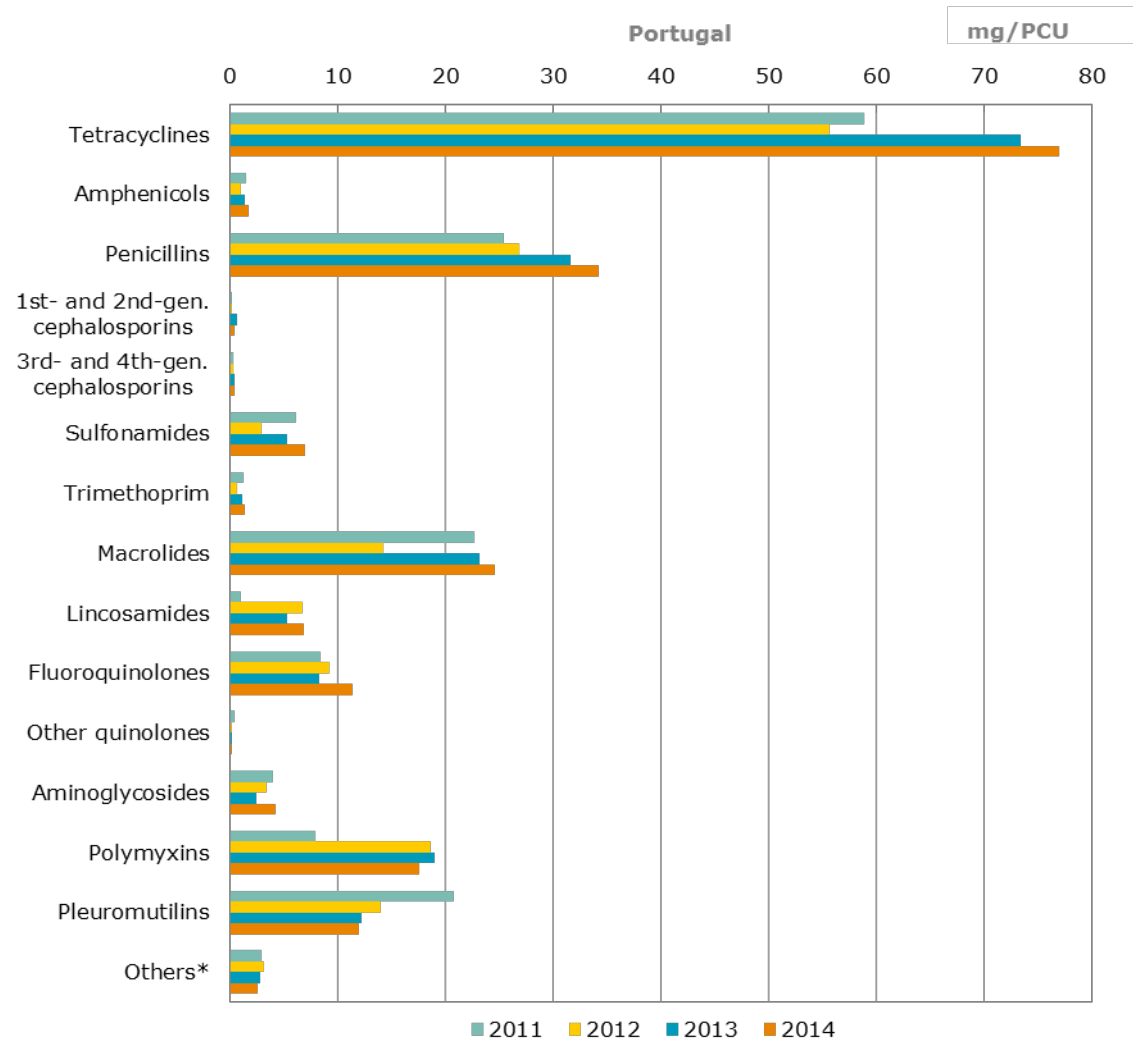
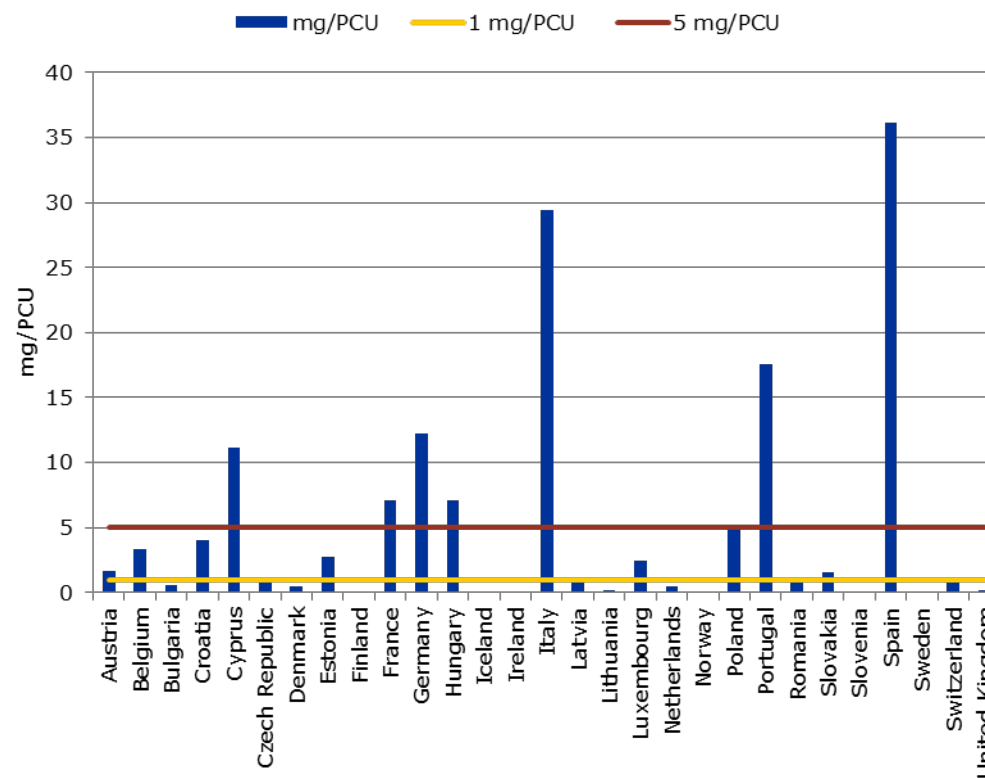
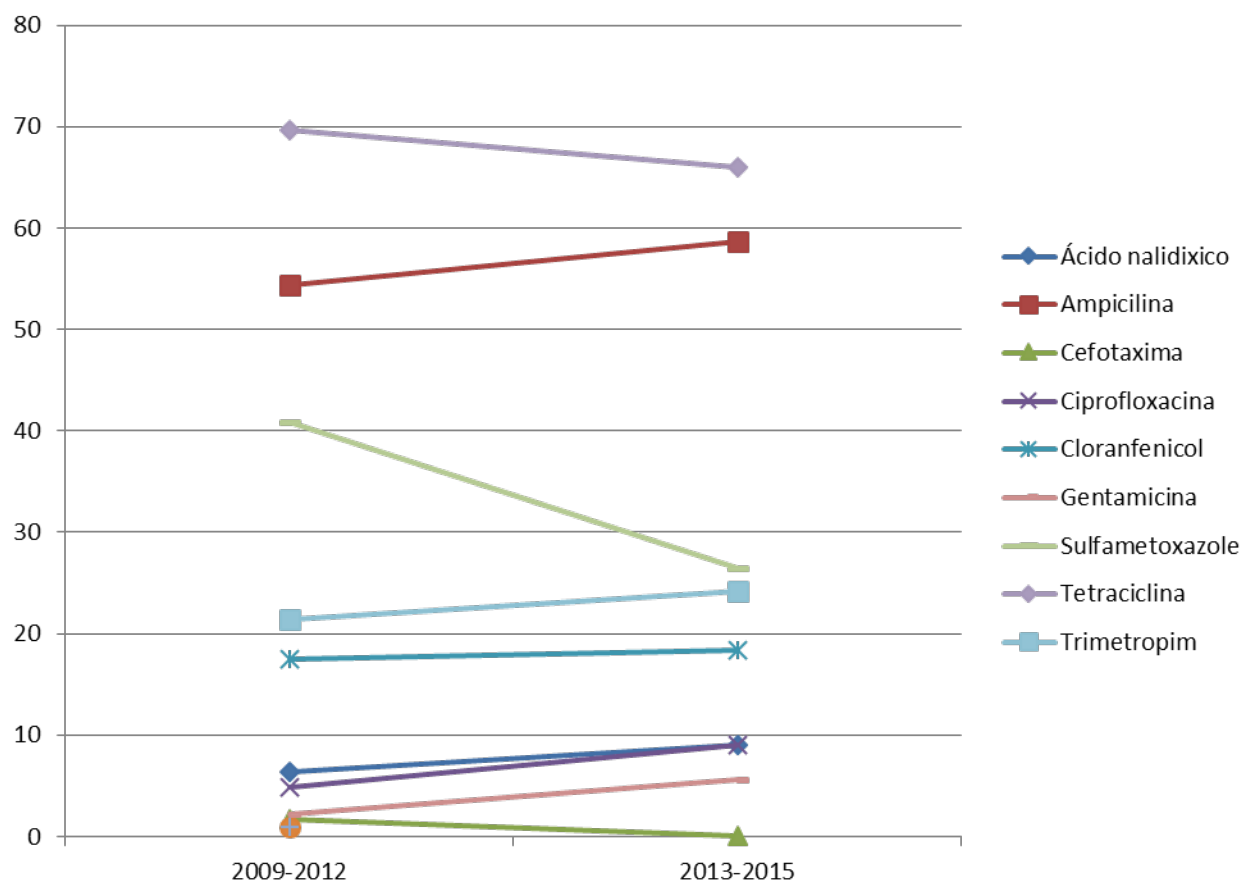


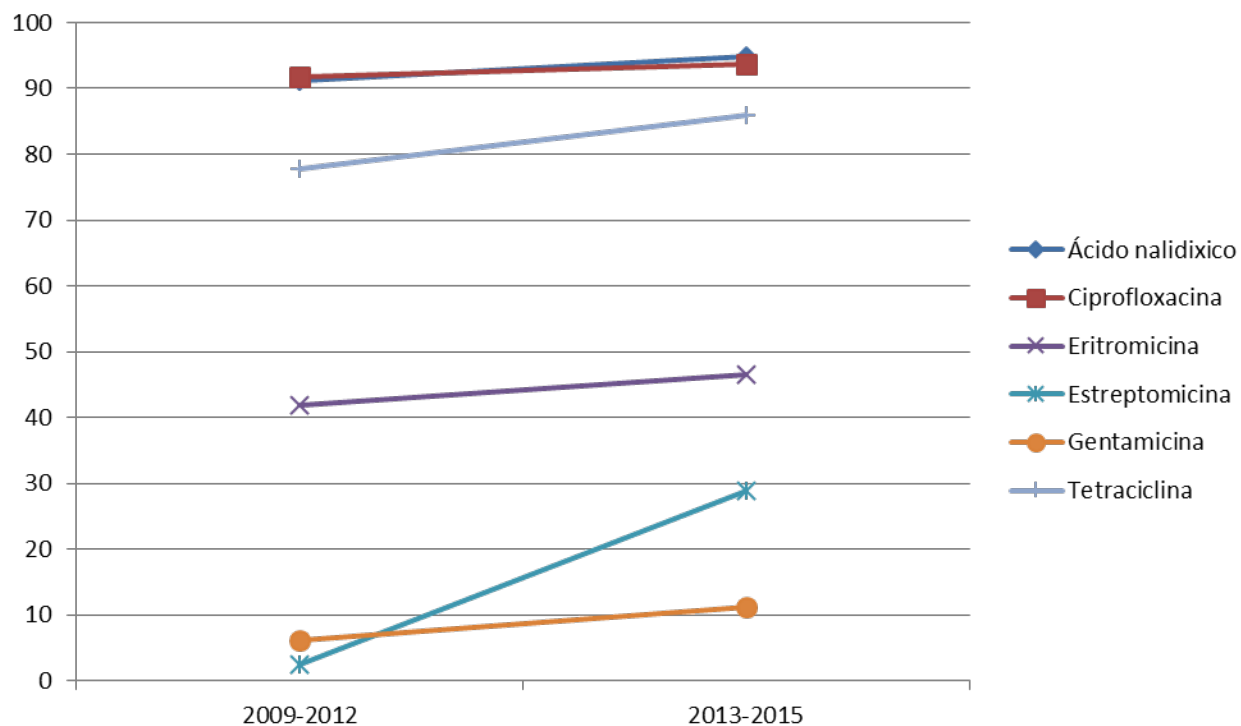
Figure A1. Sales of colistin for use in food-producing animals, in mg/PCU, in 2014, including the 5 and 1 mg/PCU levels



## Resultados obtidos em isolados de *Salmonella* em alimentos 2009-2012/ 12013-2015



## Resultados obtidos em isolados de *Campylobacter* em alimentos 2009-2012/ 2013-2015



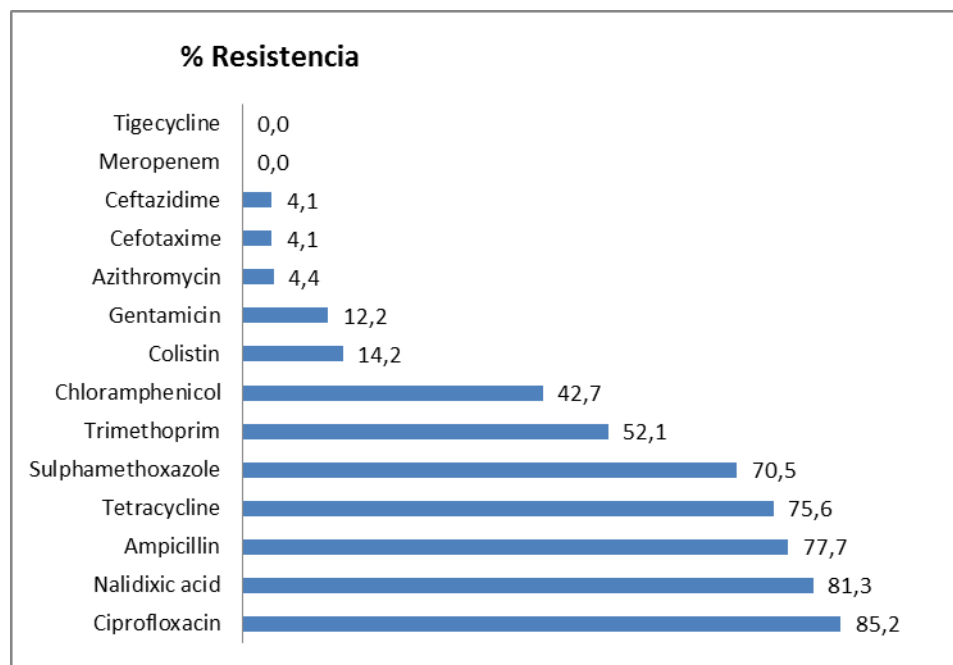


## PVRAM de 2014

### *E. coli* - isolada em amostras de aves

Antimicrobiano	R	S	% Resistencia
Ciprofloxacin	329	57	85,2
Nalidixic acid	314	72	81,3
Ampicillin	300	86	77,7
Tetracycline	292	94	75,6
Sulphamethoxazol	272	114	70,5
Trimethoprim	201	185	52,1
Chloramphenicol	165	221	42,7
Colistin	55	331	14,2
Gentamicin	47	339	12,2
Azithromycin	17	369	4,4
Cefotaxime	16	370	4,1
Ceftazidime	16	370	4,1
Meropenem	0	386	0,0
Tigecycline	0	386	0,0

386 isolados de *E.coli* provenientes de amostras cecais de frangos e perus

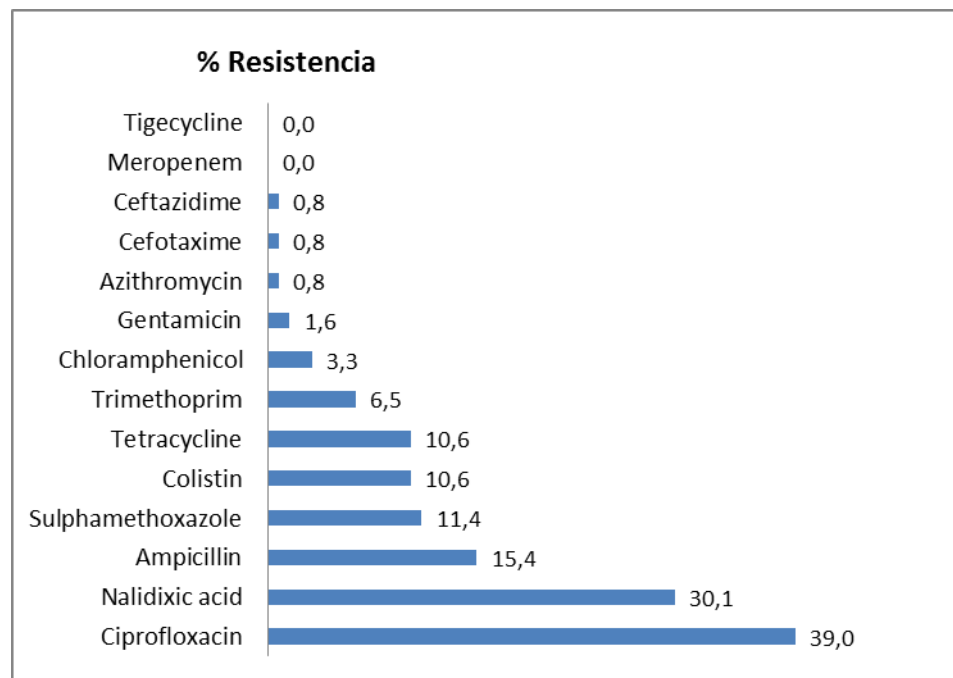


## PVRAM de 2014

### *Salmonella* spp - isolada em amostras de aves

Antimicrobiano	R	S	% Resistencia
Ciprofloxacin	48	75	39,0
Nalidixic acid	37	86	30,1
Ampicillin	19	104	15,4
Sulphamethoxazole	14	109	11,4
Colistin	13	110	10,6
Tetracycline	13	110	10,6
Trimethoprim	8	115	6,5
Chloramphenicol	4	119	3,3
Gentamicin	2	121	1,6
Azithromycin	1	122	0,8
Cefotaxime	1	122	0,8
Ceftazidime	1	122	0,8
Meropenem	0	123	0,0
Tigecycline	0	123	0,0

123 isolados de *Salmonella* provenientes de amostras de aves  
(PIGA e PNCS)



## PVRAM de 2015

*E. coli* **ESBL** isolado em amostras de **carne** de suínos



Antimicrobiano (1º painel)	R	S	% Resistência
Ampicillin	39		100,0
Azithromycin	8	31	20,5
Cefotaxime	39		100,0
Ceftazidime	34	5	87,2
Chloramphenicol	10	29	25,6
Ciprofloxacin	20	19	51,3
Colistin	3	36	7,7
Gentamicin	7	32	17,9
Meropenem		39	0,0
Nalidixic acid	19	20	48,7
Sulphamethoxazole	31	8	79,5
Tetracycline	35	4	89,7
Tigecycline		39	0,0
Trimethoprim	27	12	69,2

39 isolados de *E.coli* ESBL provenientes de amostras de carne de suíno

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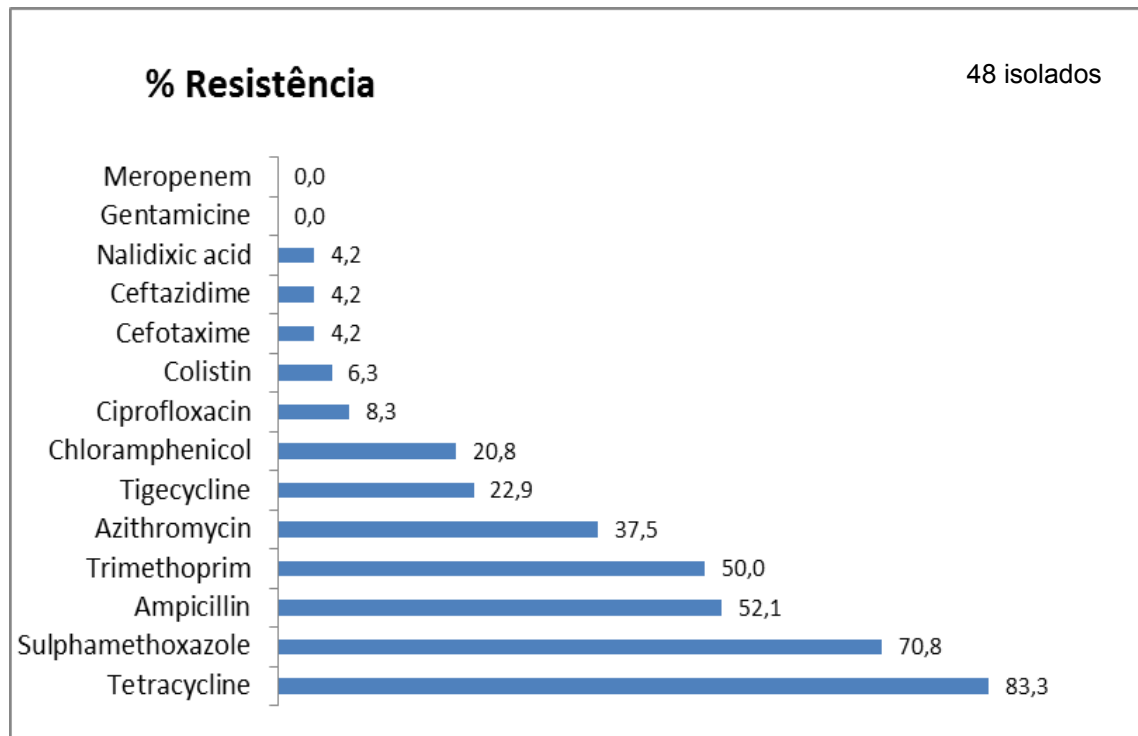


Antimicrobiano (2º painel)	R	S	% Resistência
Cefepime	37	2	94,9
Cefotaxime	39		100,0
Cefotaxime/clavulanic acid	7	32	17,9
Cefoxitin	8	31	20,5
Ceftazidime	36	3	92,3
Ceftazidime/clavulanic acid	7	32	17,9
Ertapenem		39	0,0
Imipenem	1	38	2,6
Meropenem		39	0,0
Temociline		39	0,0

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## PVRAM de 2015

### Salmonella em carcaças de suínos



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*E. coli* **ESBL** - isolado em amostras de carne de bovino



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Ampicillin	12		100,0
Azithromycin	1	11	8,3
Cefotaxime	12		100,0
Ceftazidime	11	1	91,7
Chloramphenicol	5	7	41,7
Ciprofloxacin	6	6	50,0
Colistin		12	0,0
Gentamicin	2	10	16,7
Meropenem		12	0,0
Nalidixic acid	9	3	75,0
Sulphamethoxazole	10	2	83,3
Tetracycline	12		100,0
Tigecycline		12	0,0
Trimethoprim	8	4	66,7

12 isolados de *E.coli* ESBL provenientes de amostras de carne de bovino

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# Pet animals





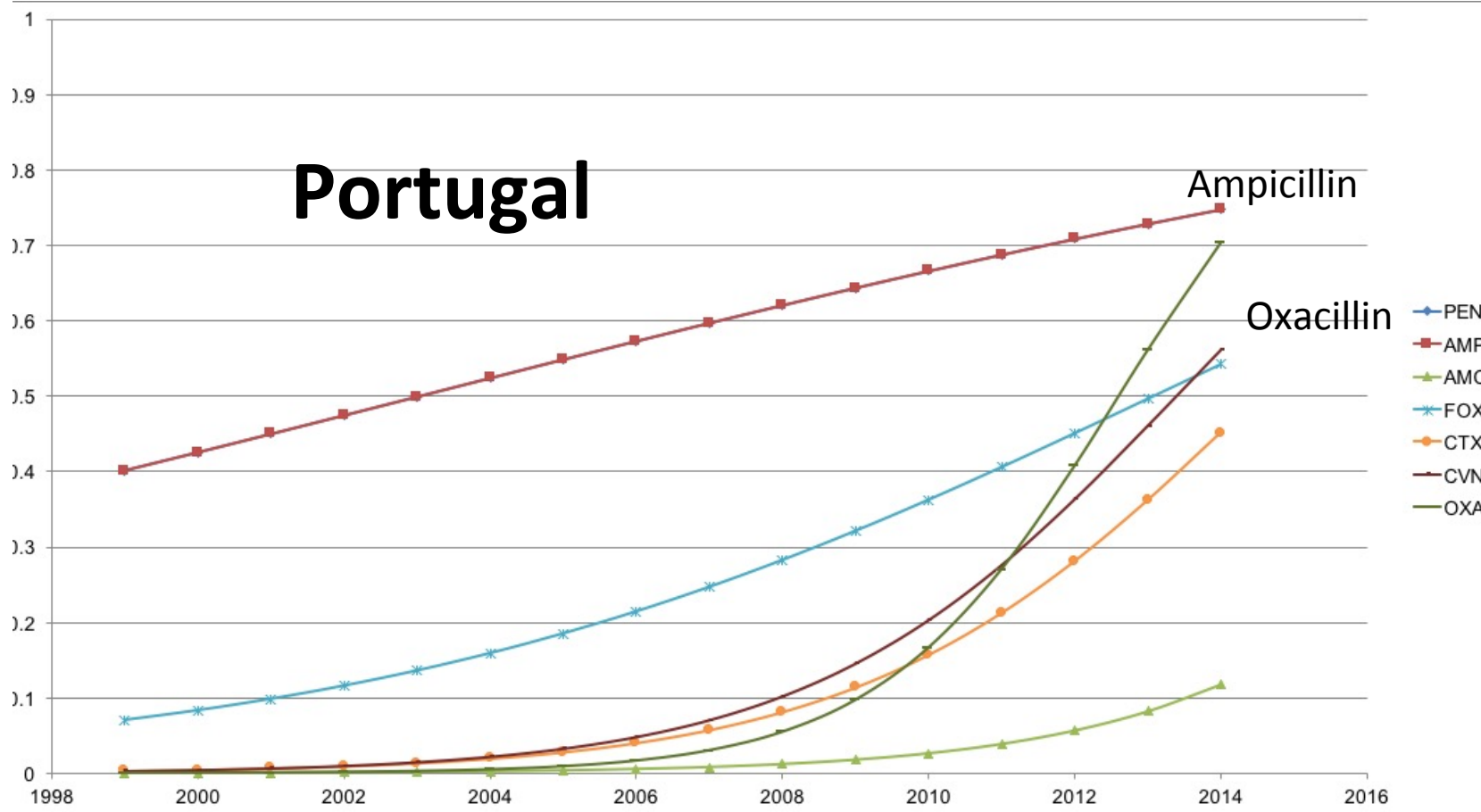
# Pet animals



Microorganism exchange:

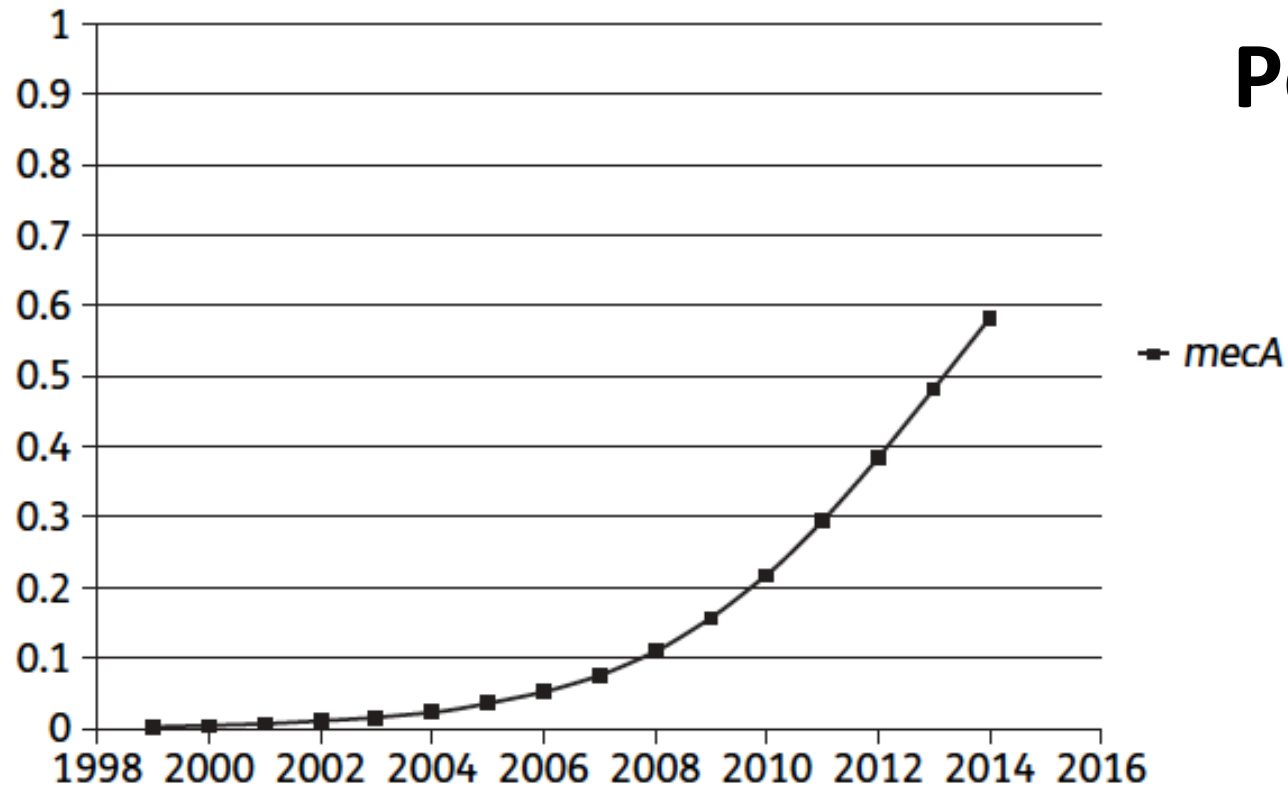
- between people and
- between animals and people living in the same environment

# Evolution of antimicrobial resistance over the 16 years – Staphylococci isolated from companion animals



Couto et al, 2016, J Antimicrob Chemother. Jun;71(6):1479-87

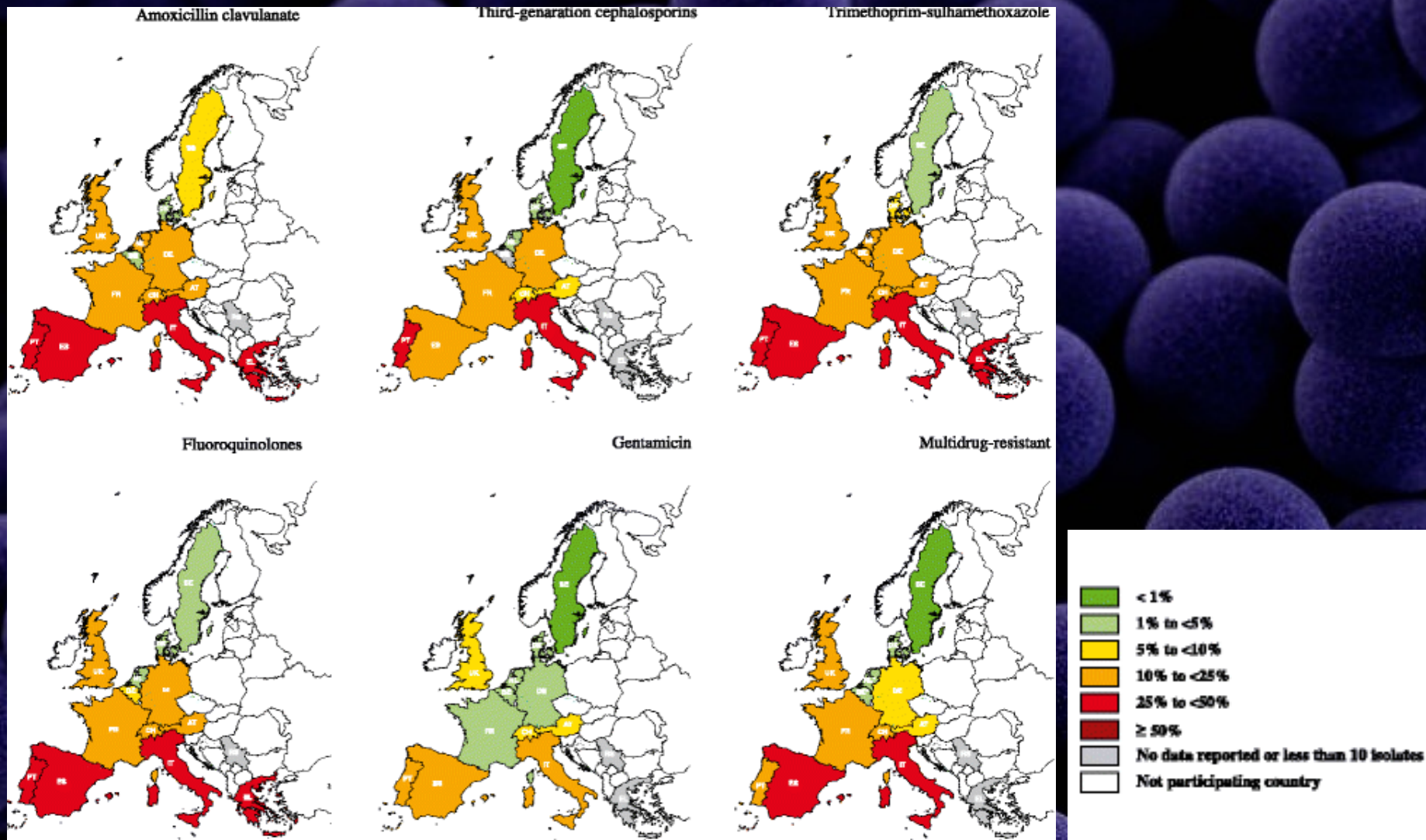
## *mecA* is increasing...



**Figure 2.** Proportion of *mecA*-positive isolates over the 16 years studied ( $P < 0.05$ ).

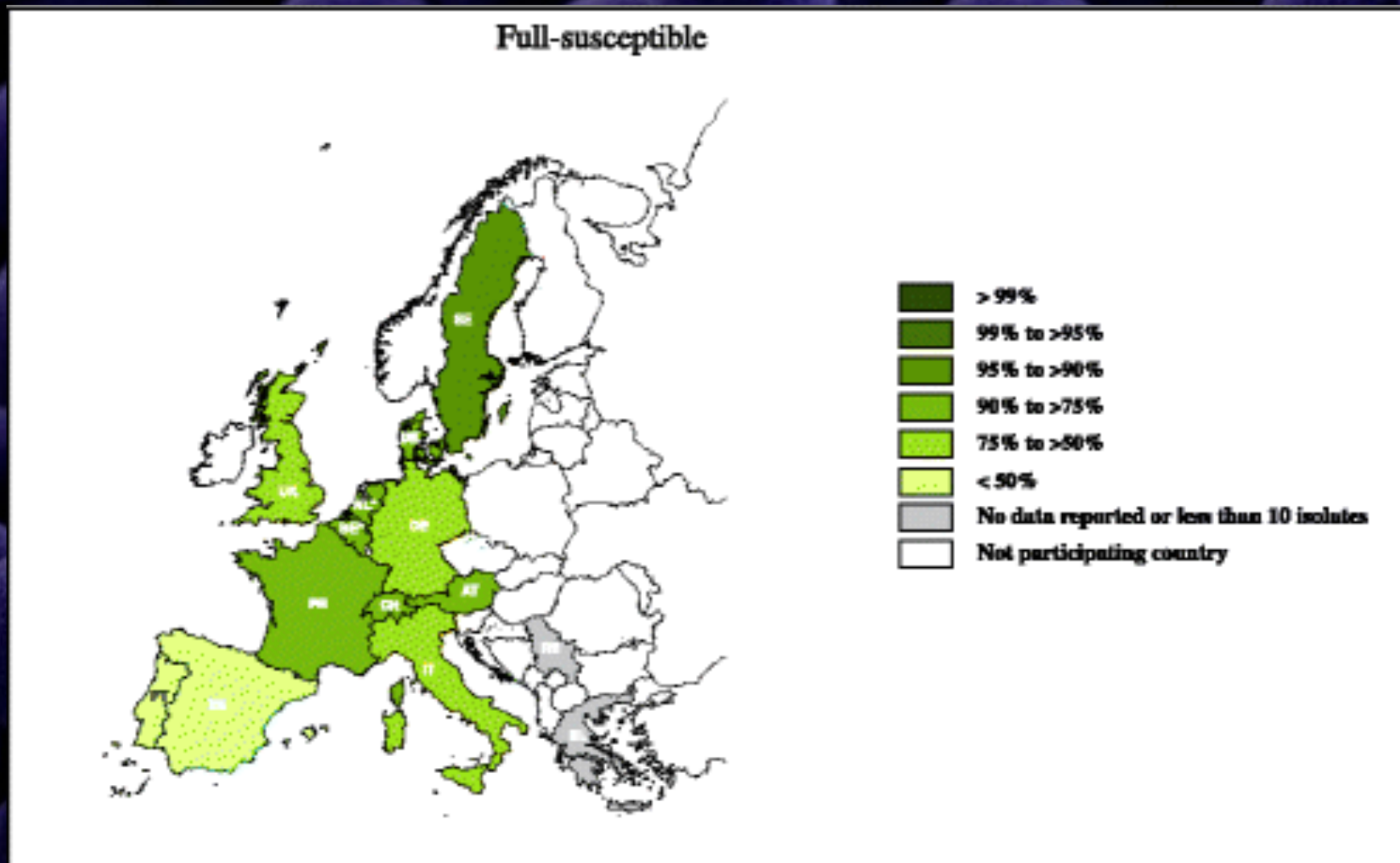
# *Escherichia coli* antimicrobial resistance

isolated from companion animal urinary tract infections (Marques *et al.*, 2016)



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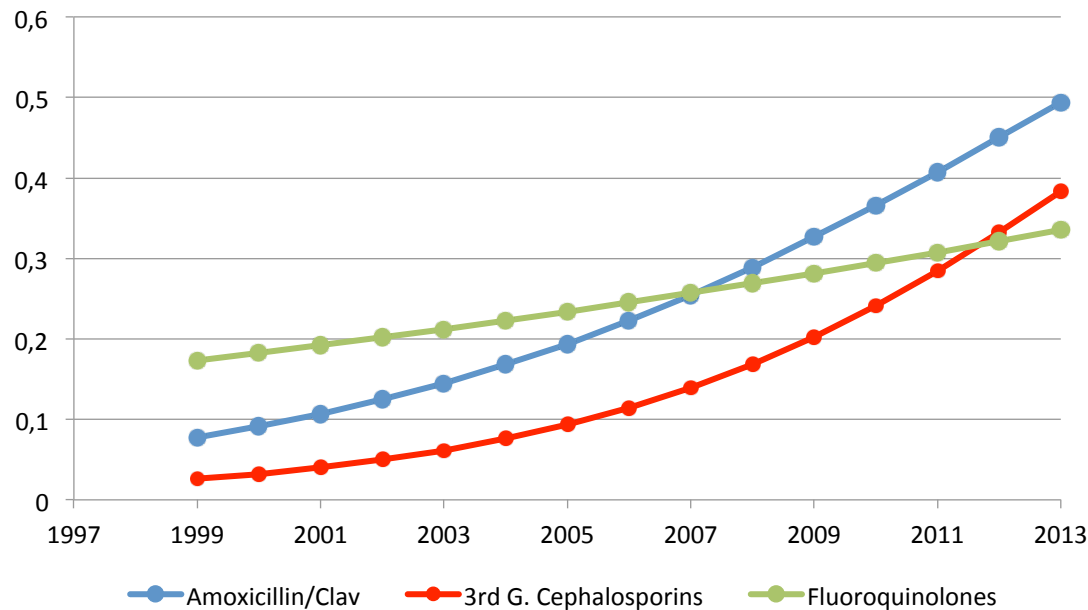
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# Escherichia coli

- Significant increase detected, AMC  $p < 0.0001$ , 3GC  $p < 0.0001$ , FLU  $p = 0.0396$

Increasing temporal trends

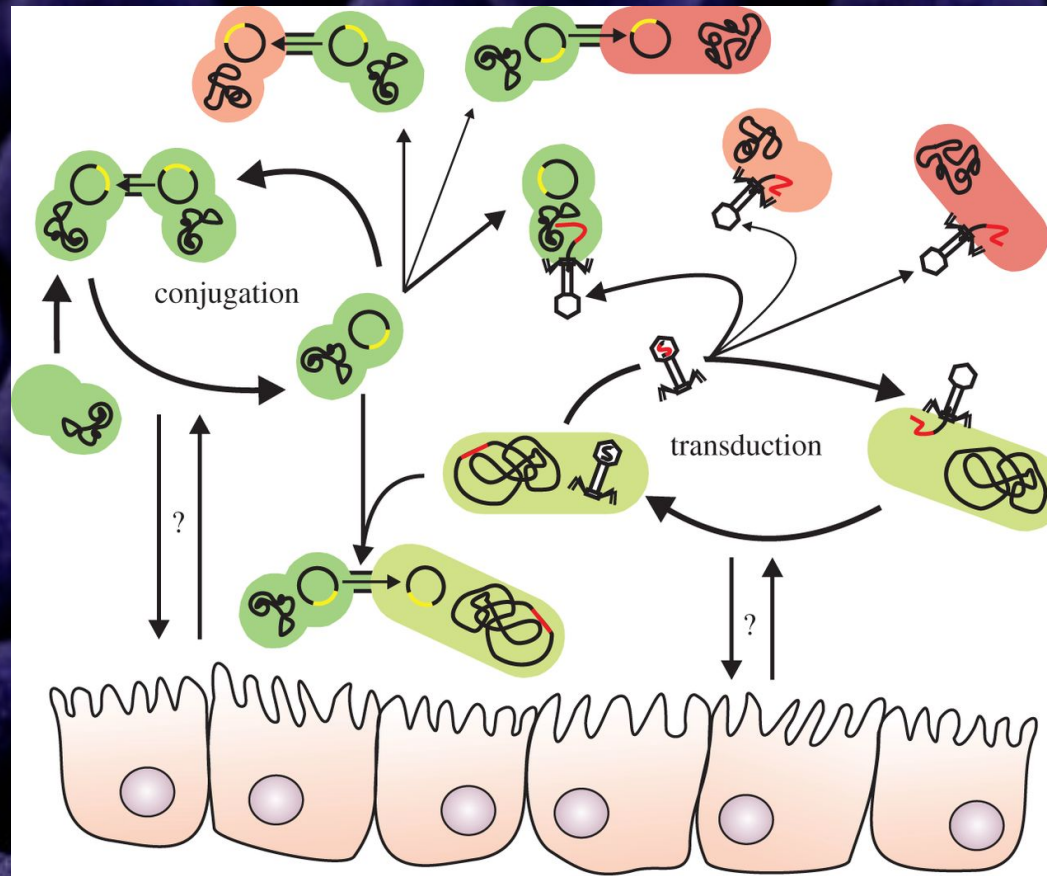


Antimicrobial category	Antimicrobial agents
Penicillins + $\beta$ -lactamase inhibitors	Amoxicillin/ clavulanate
Third generation Cephalosporins	Cefotaxime Ceftazidime
Fluoroquinolones	Enrofloxacin Ciprofloxacin
Aminoglycoside	Gentamicin
Folate pathway inhibitors	Trimetropim/ Sulfametoxazole

(Magiorakos *et al*, 2011)

# Resistance acquisition

## Gene transfer



Horizontal transfer of genetic material, including antibiotic resistance genes, through conjugation and transduction is a frequent event in the gut microbiota

# Which bacteria maybe a risk of transfer from pets to humans?

<b>Antimicrobial resistant bacteria in companion animals</b>	<b>Type of hazard</b>	<b>Sources</b>
<b>Methicillin-resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i></b>	Direct hazard	Dogs, cats, horses
<b>Methicillin-resistant <i>Staphylococcus pseudintermedius</i></b>	Direct hazard <sup>a</sup>	Dogs, cats, horses
<b>Vancomycin-resistant enterococci</b>	Indirect hazard <sup>b</sup>	Dogs, horses
<b>ESBL-producing Enterobacteriaceae</b>	Indirect hazard	Dogs, cats, horses
<b>Carbapenem-resistant Gram-negative bacteria</b>	Indirect hazard <sup>b</sup>	Dogs, cats
<b>Colistin-resistant <i>Escherichia coli</i></b>	Indirect hazard	Dogs, cats

<sup>a</sup>low number of cases of human infections originating from companion animals

<sup>b</sup>no human infections originating from companion animals have been reported

**Public health risk of antimicrobial resistance transfer from companion animals**  
 Pomba et al, 2017, Journal of Antimicrobial Chemotherapy, 2017 72 (4): 957–968



The background of the entire image is a microscopic view of numerous purple, spherical bacteria, likely Escherichia coli, arranged in a dense, somewhat regular pattern. The bacteria are illuminated from the side, creating a sense of depth and highlighting their spherical shape.

# EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASES<sup>®</sup>

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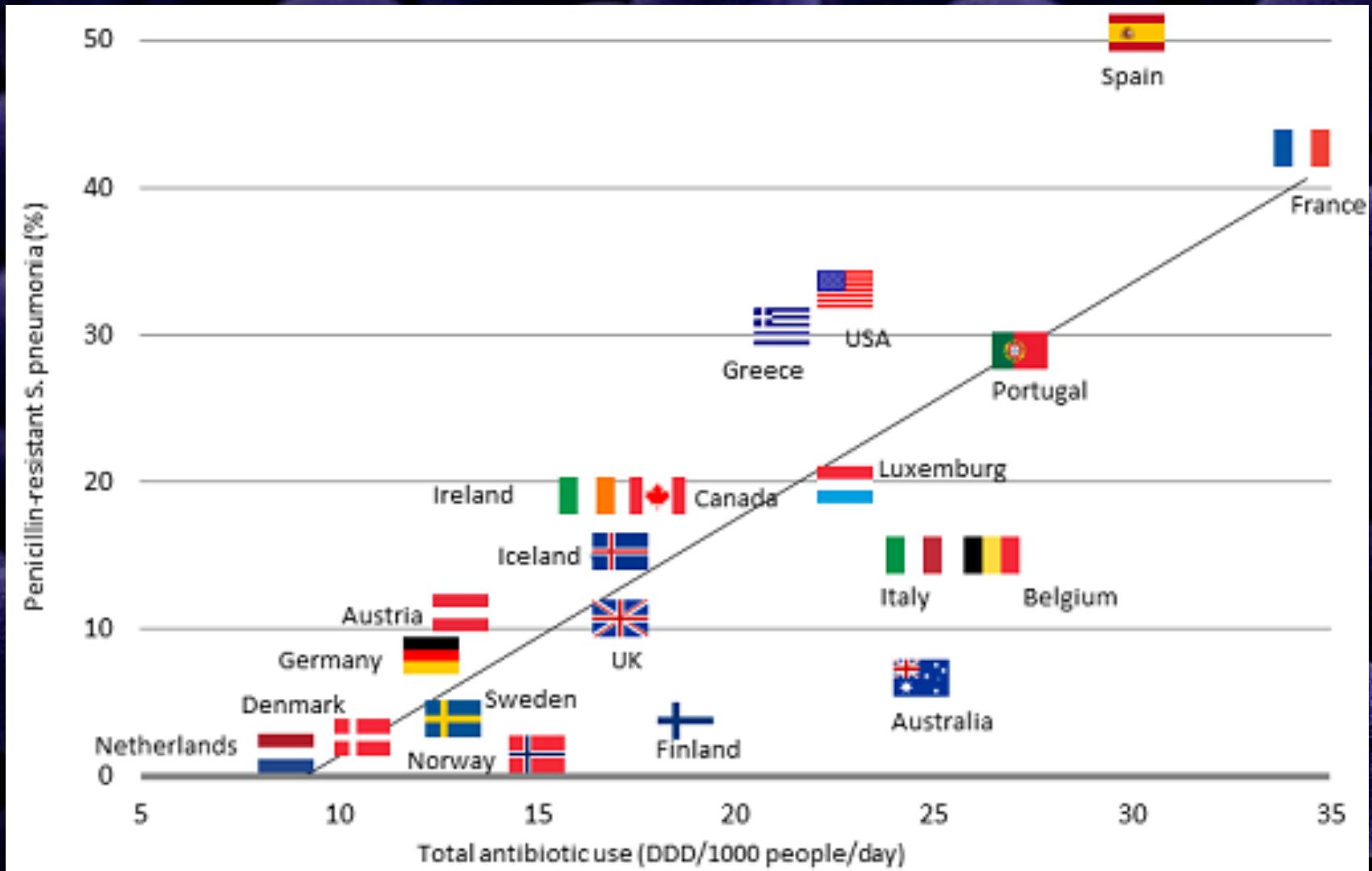
*Letter*

Possible Transmission of *mcr-1*-Harboring *Escherichia coli* between Companion Animals and Human

# Problem

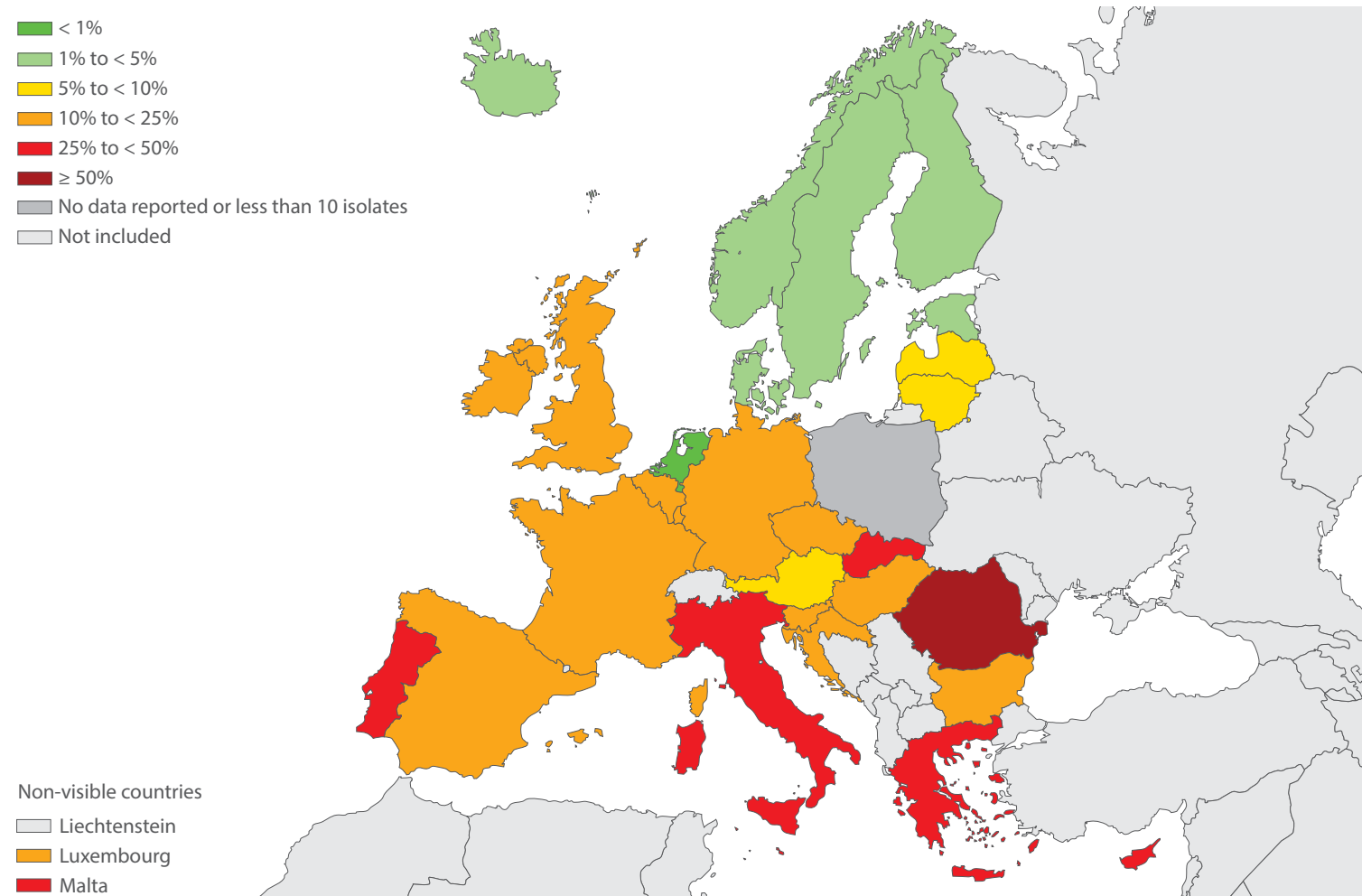
- Superbugs → untreatable
- 700 000 people are already dying of resistant bacteria infections every year
- 10 million deaths a year by 2050?

# Problem



# EARSS MRSA in humans in Europe 2014

**Figure 3.23.** *Staphylococcus aureus*. Percentage (%) of invasive isolates with resistance to meticillin (MRSA), by country, EU/EEA countries, 2014





## **New potentially lethal superbug resistant to ALL antibiotics is found in the UK - and 12 people have been infected**

- All 12 have been treated for infections linked to virulent strains of salmonella and E.coli carrying a deadly resistance gene, scientists say
- Plus bugs carrying the gene have been found on three pig farms in the UK and chicken meat imported from Europe
- Now this same resistance gene – MCR-1 - has been found on bugs in people, farm animals and meat in Britain

# Antimicrobial stewardship

- Coordinated interventions designed to improve and measure the appropriate use of antimicrobials
- Selection of the optimal antimicrobial drug regimen: dose, duration of therapy, route of administration
- Achieve optimal clinical outcomes
- Minimize toxicity and other adverse events
- Reduce the costs of health care for infections
- Limit the selection for antimicrobial resistant strains

# Antimicrobial replacement

- Higyene
- Vaccination
- Probiotics
- Alternative substances

One Health approach

Prudent, responsible use of antimicrobials

# Official actions adopted

- PANRUAA - «Plano de Ação Nacional para a Redução do Uso de Antibióticos nos Animais»
- Regulamento “Saúde Animal” (Publicado –2016)
  - general prevention / behavior measures - to contribute to the reduction of antibiotics use
  - biosafety, some rules on the use of veterinary drugs (vaccines, prudent use) etc.
  - responsibilities, knowledge, awareness of operators, veterinarians, etc.
  - monitoring of pathogens AMR
  - other disease prevention and control measures



# Sistema de Vigilância de Antibioresistências

Diretiva 2003/99  
Decisão 2013/652

## PIGA

Monitorização dos perigos  
microbiológicos nos géneros  
alimentícios



## PVRAM

Vigilância das resistências  
antimicrobianas em bactérias  
zoonóticas e comensais



# European Union approach to the critical list \*

\* Answers to requests for scientific advice on the impact of public health and animal health on the use of antibiotic in animals, EMA 381884/2014 18 December 2014 \*\*Future assessments could result in a change of the categorisation.

European Union approach to the critical list * Category	Classes	Management
1 Low or Limited Risk	Macrolides, Penicillins, Rifamycins, Tetracyclins	Responsible use
2 Higher Risk	Cephalosporins, Fluorochinolones, <b>Polymyxins</b> , <i>Aminoglycosides</i> ** <i>Aminopenicillins</i> **	Use only if no alternatives
3 Not approved for veterinary medicine	Carbapenems, Cyclic Esters, Glycopeptides, Glycylcyclines, Lipopeptides, Monobactams, Oxazolidinones, Carboxy and Ureidopenicillins, Sulfones, etc...	Use by exception, according to national rules, only in companion animals

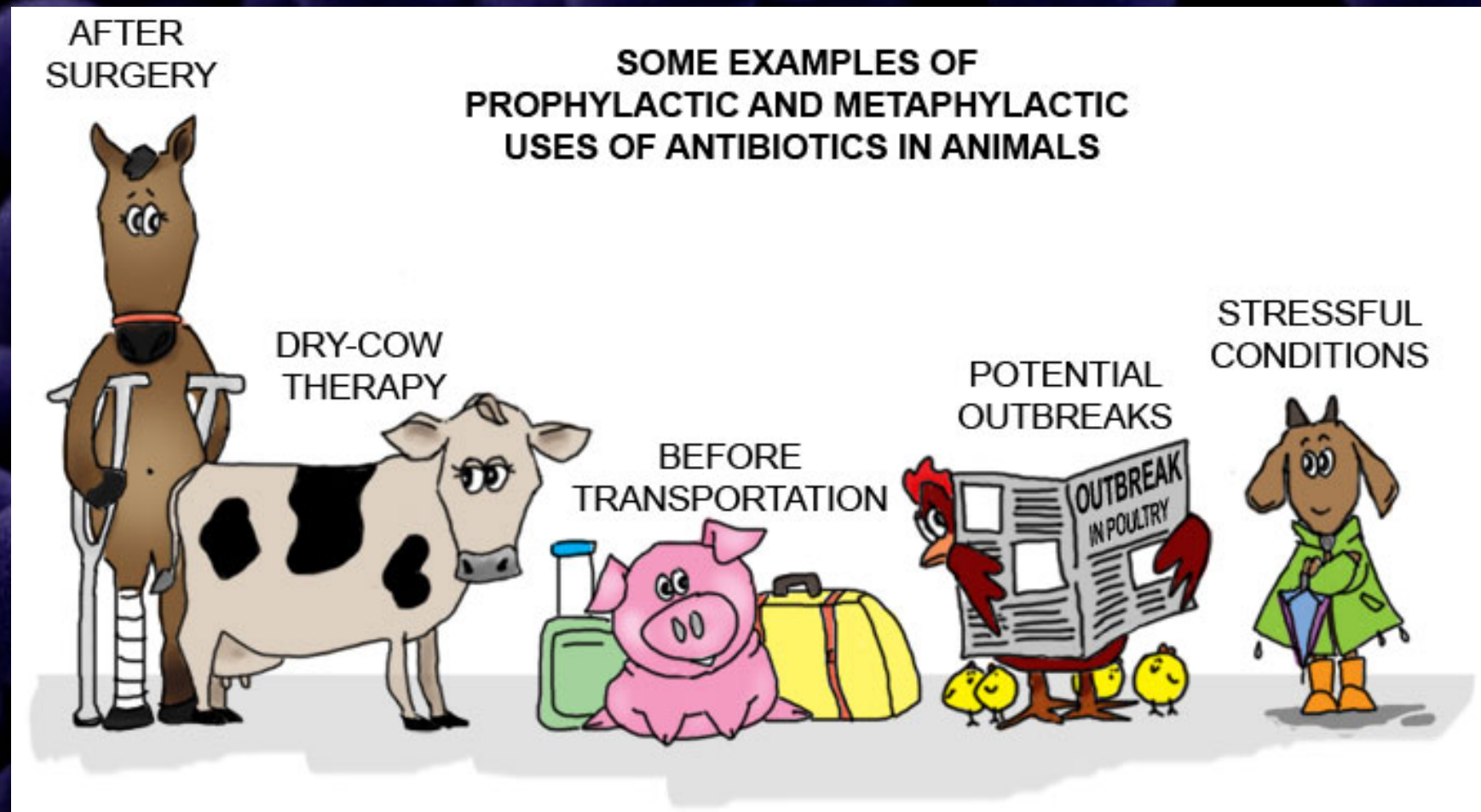
# WHO - list of critically important antimicrobials for human medicine

These antimicrobials are essential as last-resort treatments for multidrug-resistant infections in humans

5th revision of the list published in April 2017, the antibiotics considered highest priority:

- Quinolones
- 3rd and higher generation Cephalosporins
- Macrolides and ketolides
- Glycopeptides and polymyxins (colistin)

WHO is recommending that farmers and the food industry stop using antibiotics routinely to promote growth and prevent disease in healthy animals



# Approach



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# OIE organizes awareness week for proper use of antimicrobials

- OIE (Office International des Epizooties)
- WHO (World Health Organization)
- FAO (Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations)

are jointly combating antimicrobial resistance

“Each of us has a role to play in the fight against antimicrobial resistance, in doing so, to protect the effectiveness of these vital treatments and at the same time our future”

<https://www.youtube.com/embed/QoUqO5dNhDw?rel=0&autoplay=1>

# Thank you

Pssst! Hey kid! Wanna be a Superbug...?  
Stick some of this into your genome...  
Even penicillin won't be able to harm you..!

