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##### American Journal of Infection Control

1. The effects of a novel, continuous disinfectant technology on methicillin resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA), fungi and aerobic bacteria in two

**separate Intensive Care Units in two different states: an experimental design with observed impact on Healthcare Associated Infections (HAs)**

*11-04-2024 - Elsevier*

Hospitals are exposed to abundant contamination sources with limited remediation strategies. Without new countermeasures or treatments, the risk of hospital-associated infections will remain high. This study explored the impact of advanced photohydrolysis (AP) continuous disinfection technology on hospital environmental bioburden. [Read more...](#)

**2. The outbreak of multispecies carbapenemase-producing Enterobacteriales associated with pediatric ward sinks: IncM1 plasmids act as vehicles for cross-species transmission**

*11-04-2024 - Elsevier*

This study describes an outbreak caused by multispecies carbapenemase-producing Enterobacteriales (CPE) occurring in a pediatric ward at an academic medical center in Tokyo. [Read more...](#)

**3. International Nosocomial Infection Control Consortium (INICC) report of healthcare-associated infections, data summary of 25 countries for 2014-2023, Surgical Site Infections Module**

*09-04-2024 - Elsevier*

Surgical site infection (SSI) prevalence is higher in low and middle-income countries (LMICs) than in high-income counterparts. This study covers 116 INICC member hospitals in 75 cities across 25 Latin American, Asian, Eastern European, and Middle Eastern countries, including Argentina, Bahrain, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, Honduras, India, Kosovo, Kuwait, ... [Read more...](#)

**4. Experiences of the National Post-Exposure Prophylaxis Hotline (PEPline): Occupational PEP Consultation Needs and Trends, 2014-2022**

*08-04-2024 - Elsevier*

The National Clinician Consultation Center (NCCC) operates the PEPline, a federally-funded educational resource providing bloodborne pathogen exposure management tele-consultation to U.S. clinicians. [Read more...](#)

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## Clinical Infectious Diseases

**1. Weight, anthropometric and metabolic changes after discontinuing antiretroviral therapy containing tenofovir alafenamide (TAF) in people with HIV**

12-04-2024 - Oxford University Press

In the Swiss HIV Cohort Study, replacing tenofovir alafenamide (TAF) with tenofovir disoproxil fumarate (TDF) resulted in a -1.84 kg weight decrease within one year. No substantial weight changes were noted after switching from TAF to dolutegravir/lamivudine or cabotegravir/rilpivirine. [Read more...](#)

## 2. Which form of tenofovir should be used worldwide: TDF or TAF?

12-04-2024 - Oxford University Press

[Read more...](#)

## 3. Antiretrovirals and Weight Change: Weighing the Evidence

12-04-2024 - Oxford University Press

A panel of experts in HIV management reviews major clinical trials of HIV prevention and treatment to assess the relationships between weight change and antiretroviral therapies. [Read more...](#)

## 4. Assessing the Impact of the 2020 Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists Case Definition for Pertussis on Reported Pertussis Cases

12-04-2024 - Oxford University Press

The 2020 CSTE case definition change for pertussis resulted in additional case reporting compared with the previous case definition despite a substantial decrease in reported pertussis cases in the setting of COVID-19. [Read more...](#)

## 5. Increased Pediatric Respiratory Syncytial Virus Case Counts Following the Emergence of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus 2 Can Be Attributed to Changes in Testing

11-04-2024 - Oxford University Press

After the initial phase of the COVID-19 pandemic, hospitals reported an increase in RSV cases. We examined encounters at US pediatric hospitals and found that increased testing is likely driving the observed increase in case volume. [Read more...](#)

## 6. COVID-19 vaccine efficacy in participants with weakened immune systems from four randomized-controlled trials

10-04-2024 - Oxford University Press

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**7. Clinical outcomes in children living with HIV treated for non-severe tuberculosis in the SHINE Trial**

09-04-2024 - Oxford University Press

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**8. Effectiveness and safety of measures to prevent infections and other complications associated with peripheral intravenous catheters: A systematic review and meta-analysis**

09-04-2024 - Oxford University Press

Our systematic review emphasizes the pressing need for additional high-quality studies addressing preventive measures for reducing peripheral intravenous catheter-associated complications. The available evidence supports wearing gloves during insertion and adhering to defined removal schedules in adults, and chlorhexidine disinfection in neonates. [Read more...](#)

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Clinical Microbiology and Infection

**1. Mortality in recipients of allogeneic haematopoietic cell transplantation in the era of cytomegalovirus primary prophylaxis: a single-centre retrospective experience**

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**2. Cerebellar phaeohyphomycosis: a dark enigma**

13-04-2024 - Ovid

Author Names: Bhardwaj N.,Aggarwal A.,Kaur H.,Rudramurthy S.M.,Gupta K. Database Source: Embase Weekly Updates Journal Title: Clinical Microbiology and Infection,Clinical Microbiology and Infection Article Title: Cerebellar phaeohyphomycosis: a dark enigma Year: 2024 Issue: Volume: Abstract: External Resolver Links:

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**3. New treatment options for critically important WHO fungal priority pathogens**

13-04-2024 - Ovid

Author Names: Kriegl L., Egger M., Boyer J., Hoenigl M., Krause R. Database Source: Embase Weekly Updates Journal Title: Clinical Microbiology and Infection, Clinical Microbiology and Infection Article Title: New treatment options for critically important WHO fungal priority pathogens Year: 2024 Issue: Volume: Abstract: Background: Yet often overlooked in public health discourse, ... [Read more...](#)

4. Corrigendum to "Effectiveness and safety of tuberculosis preventive treatment for contacts of patients with multidrug-resistant tuberculosis: a systematic review and meta-analysis" [Clin Microbiol Infect 30 (2024) 189-196, (S1198743X23004779), (10.1016/j.cmi.2023.09.015)]

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Author Names: Zhou G., Luo S., He J., Chen N., Zhang Y., Cai S., Guo X., Chen H., Song C. Database Source: Embase Weekly Updates Journal Title: Clinical Microbiology and Infection, Clinical Microbiology and Infection Article Title: Corrigendum to "Effectiveness and safety of tuberculosis preventive treatment for contacts of patients with multidrug-resistant tuberculosis: a systematic review and ... [Read more...](#)

5. Physiopathology and clinical management of blackwater fever: a scoping review

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Author Names: Rodari P., Tamarozzi F., Fittipaldo V.A., Buonfrate D., Gobbi F. Database Source: Embase Daily Updates Journal Title: Clinical Microbiology and Infection, Clinical Microbiology and Infection Article Title: Physiopathology and clinical management of blackwater fever: a scoping review Year: 2024 Issue: 1 Volume: 30 Abstract: Background: Blackwater fever (BWF) is a severe syndrome ... [Read more...](#)

6. Evaluation of two commercial broth microdilution systems for dalbavancin susceptibility testing of methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* and other resistant Gram-positive cocci

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Author Names: Baccani I., Antonelli A., Cuffari S., Ferretti C., Giani T., Rossolini G.M. Database Source: Embase Weekly Updates Journal Title: Clinical Microbiology and Infection, Clinical Microbiology and Infection Article Title: Evaluation of two commercial broth microdilution systems for dalbavancin susceptibility testing of methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* and other resistant ... [Read more...](#)

7. Diagnostic value of maternal, cord blood and neonatal biomarkers for early-onset sepsis: a systematic review and meta-analysis

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Author Names: van Leeuwen L.M.,Fourie E.,van den Brink G.,Bekker V.,van Houten M.A. Database Source: Embase Weekly Updates Journal Title: Clinical Microbiology and Infection,Clinical Microbiology and Infection Article Title: Diagnostic value of maternal, cord blood and neonatal biomarkers for early-onset sepsis: a systematic review and meta-analysis Year: 2024 Issue: Volume: Abstract: ... [Read more...](#)

**8. Prevalence of long COVID in the general adult population according to different definitions and sociodemographic and infection characteristics. A nationwide random sampling survey in France in autumn 2022**

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Author Names: Coste J.,Delpierre C.,Richard J.-B.,Alleaume C.,Gallay A.,Tebeka S.,Lemogne C.,Robineau O.,Steichen O.,Makovski T.T. Database Source: Embase Weekly Updates Journal Title: Clinical Microbiology and Infection,Clinical Microbiology and Infection Article Title: Prevalence of long COVID in the general adult population according to different definitions and sociodemographic and ... [Read more...](#)

**9. Diagnostic limitations and challenges in current clinical guidelines and potential application of metagenomic sequencing to manage pulmonary invasive fungal infections in patients with haematological malignancies**

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Author Names: Park S.Y.,Ardura M.I.,Zhang S.X. Database Source: Embase Weekly Updates Journal Title: Clinical Microbiology and Infection,Clinical Microbiology and Infection Article Title: Diagnostic limitations and challenges in current clinical guidelines and potential application of metagenomic sequencing to manage pulmonary invasive fungal infections in patients with haematological ... [Read more...](#)

**10. Epidemiology of Escherichia coli bloodstream infection antimicrobial resistance trends across South West England during the first 2 years of the coronavirus disease 2019 pandemic response**

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Author Names: Stanley J.,Sullivan B.,Dowsey A.W.,Jones K.,Beck C.R. Database Source: Embase Weekly Updates Journal Title: Clinical Microbiology and Infection,Clinical Microbiology and Infection Article Title: Epidemiology of Escherichia coli bloodstream infection antimicrobial resistance trends across South West England during the first 2 years of the coronavirus disease 2019 pandemic ... [Read more...](#)

**11. COVID-19 mortality among selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor users: author's reply**

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Author Names: Stauning M.A.,Gur D.J.,Torp-Pedersen C.,Tingleff J. Database Source: Embase Weekly Updates Journal Title: Clinical Microbiology and Infection,Clinical Microbiology and Infection Article Title: COVID-19 mortality among selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor users: author's reply Year: 2024 Issue: Volume: Abstract: External Resolver Links: <https://libkey>. [Read more...](#)

## 12. Seeing the whole elephant: designing 'one health' governance to fight antimicrobial resistance

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Author Names: Brunskill I.,Somanader D.S.,Perrin M.,Barkema H.W.,Hillier S.,Hindmarch S.,Topp E.,Weese J.S.,Wright G.D.,Morris A.M. Database Source: Embase Weekly Updates Journal Title: Clinical Microbiology and Infection,Clinical Microbiology and Infection Article Title: Seeing the whole elephant: designing 'one health' governance to fight antimicrobial resistance Year: 2024 Issue: 4 Volume: ... [Read more...](#)

## 13. Molecular detection of SARS-CoV-2 and other respiratory viruses in saliva and classroom air: a two winters tale

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Author Names: Banholzer N.,Bittel P.,Jent P.,Furrer L.,Zurcher K.,Egger M.,Hascher T.,Fenner L. Database Source: Embase Weekly Updates Journal Title: Clinical Microbiology and Infection,Clinical Microbiology and Infection Article Title: Molecular detection of SARS-CoV-2 and other respiratory viruses in saliva and classroom air: a two winters tale Year: 2024 Issue: Volume: Abstract: ... [Read more...](#)

## 14. European Society of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases: 2021 update on the treatment guidance document for Clostridioides difficile infection in adults

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Author Names: van Prehn J.,Reigadas E.,Vogelzang E.H.,Bouza E.,Hristea A.,Guery B.,Krutova M.,Noren T.,Allerberger F.,Coia J.E.,Goorhuis A.,van Rossen T.M.,Ooijevaar R.E.,Burns K.,Scharvik Olesen B.R.,Tschudin-Sutter S.,Wilcox M.H.,Vehreschild M.J.G.T.,Fitzpatrick F.,Kuijper E.J. Database Source: Embase Daily Updates Journal Title: Clinical Microbiology and Infection, ... [Read more...](#)

## 15. Re: Unexpected increase of severe *Mycoplasma pneumoniae* pneumonia in adults in Southern Switzerland

13-04-2024 - Ovid

Author Names: Garzoni C., Bernasconi E., Zehnder C., Malossa S.F., Merlani G., Bongiovanni M. Database Source: Embase Weekly Updates Journal Title: Clinical Microbiology and Infection, Clinical Microbiology and Infection Article Title: Re: Unexpected increase of severe Mycoplasma pneumoniae pneumonia in adults in Southern Switzerland Year: 2024 Issue: Volume: Abstract: [Read more...](#)

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## Clinical Microbiology Reviews

1. Novel antifungals and treatment approaches to tackle resistance and improve outcomes of invasive fungal disease

*11-04-2024 - American Society for Microbiology*

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## Current Opinion in Microbiology

1. Renal implications of coronavirus disease 2019: insights into viral tropism and clinical outcomes

*14-04-2024 - ScienceDirect*

Publication date: June 2024 Source: Current Opinion in Microbiology, Volume 79 Author(s): Valentin A Bärreiter, Toni L Meister [Read more...](#)

2. Neuroinvasion and neurotropism of severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 infection

*14-04-2024 - ScienceDirect*

Publication date: June 2024 Source: Current Opinion in Microbiology, Volume 79 Author(s): Michelle Jagst, Lilli Pottkämper, André Gömer, Kalliopi Pitarokoili, Eike Steinmann [Read more...](#)

3. The menace within: bacterial amyloids as a trigger for autoimmune and neurodegenerative diseases

*11-04-2024 - ScienceDirect*

Publication date: June 2024 Source: Current Opinion in Microbiology, Volume 79 Author(s): Molly Elkins, Neha Jain, Çagla Tükel [Read more...](#)

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## Diagnostic Microbiology and Infectious Disease

1. The diagnostic performance of GeneXpert MTB/RIF in tuberculosis meningitis: A multicentre accuracy study

10-04-2024 - *ScienceDirect*

Publication date: Available online 10 April 2024  
Source: Diagnostic Microbiology and Infectious Disease  
Author(s): Chenyuan Wang, Lina Davies Forsman, Shanshan Wang, Sainan Wang, Ge Shao, Haiyan Xiong, Ziwei Bao, Yi Hu [Read more...](#)

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## Emerging Infectious Diseases Journal - CDC

1. Antimicrobial Resistance as Risk Factor for Recurrent Bacteremia after *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Escherichia coli*, or *Klebsiella* spp. Community-Onset Bacteremia

12-04-2024 - *Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) (USA)*

S. Abbara et al. [Read more...](#)

2. Reemergence of *Bordetella parapertussis*, United States, 2019–2023

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B. A. Noble et al. [Read more...](#)

3. Detection of OXA-181 Carbapenemase in *Shigella flexneri*

12-04-2024 - *Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) (USA)*

G. Dhabaan et al. [Read more...](#)

4. *Sphingobium yanoikuyae* Bacteremia, Japan

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Y. Miyamatsu et al. [Read more...](#)

5. Detection of Influenza D Antibodies in Dogs, Apulia Region, Italy, 2016 and 2023

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**6. Sporotrichosis Cluster in Domestic Cats and Veterinary Technician, Kansas, USA, 2022**

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I. Hennessee et al. [Read more...](#)

**7. Crimean-Congo Hemorrhagic Fever Virus in Ticks Collected from Cattle, Corsica, France, 2023**

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P. Kiwan et al. [Read more...](#)

**8. Congenital Syphilis Prevention Challenges, Pacific Coast of Colombia, 2018–2022**

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J. F. Fuertes-Bucheli et al. [Read more...](#)

**9. Novel Patterns in High-Resolution Computed Tomography in Whipple Pneumonia**

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**10. Toxoplasma gondii Infections and Associated Factors in Female Children and Adolescents, Germany**

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**11. Burkholderia thailandensis Isolated from Infected Wound, Southwest China, 2022**

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**12. COVID-19 Vaccination Site Accessibility, United States, December 11, 2020–March 29, 2022**

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**13. Epidemiology of SARS-CoV-2 in Kakuma Refugee Camp Complex, Kenya, 2020–2021**

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**14. Protective Efficacy of Lyophilized Vesicular Stomatitis Virus-Based Vaccines in Animal Model**

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A. Salawudeen et al. [Read more...](#)

**15. Economic Burden of Acute Gastroenteritis among Members of Integrated Healthcare Delivery System, United States, 2014–2016**

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**16. SARS-CoV-2 Transmission in Alberta, British Columbia, and Ontario, Canada, January 2020–January 2022**

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**17. Deforestation and Bovine Rabies Outbreaks in Costa Rica, 1985–2020**

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**18. Cross-Sectional Study of Q Fever Seroprevalence among Blood Donors, Israel, 2021**

*07-03-2024 - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) (USA)*

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**19. Paranannizziopsis spp. Infection in Wild Vipers, Europe**

*07-03-2024 - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) (USA)*

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**1. Analysis of mild and severe neonatal enterovirus infections in a Chinese neonatal tertiary center: a retrospective case-control study**

14-04-2024 - Springer

**Abstract** Purpose To compare the clinical characteristics, virus serotype, and outcome in cases of mild and severe enteroviral infection at a tertiary neonatal intensive care unit in China. Methods A retrospective analysis of cases hospitalized between June and August 2019. Samples (stool or throat swabs) were examined using reverse transcription polymerase chain reaction. [Read more...](#)

**2. Lincosamide monotherapy treatment of methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* pneumonia in tropical Australia: a case series**

14-04-2024 - Springer

**Abstract** Existing recommended first-line antibiotic agents for MRSA pneumonia have several shortcomings. We reviewed 29 cases of community- and hospital-acquired MRSA pneumonia managed at our hospital. Lincosamide monotherapy was administered to 21/29 (72%) and was the predominant antibiotic regimen (> 50% course duration) in 19/29 (66%). Patients receiving lincosamide-predominant monotherapy ... [Read more...](#)

**3. Retrospective and prospective evaluation of the FluoroType®-Mycobacteria VER 1.0 assay for the identification of mycobacteria from cultures in a French center**

14-04-2024 - Springer

**Abstract** Purpose Rapid, reliable identification of mycobacteria from positive cultures is essential for patient management, particularly for the differential diagnosis of Mycobacterium tuberculosis complex (MTBC) and nontuberculous mycobacteria (NTM) species. The aim of the present study was to evaluate a new "In-Vitro-Diagnostic"-certified PCR kit, FluoroType®-Mycobacteria VER 1. [Read more...](#)

**4. Derivation and validation of a predictive mortality model of in-hospital patients with *Acinetobacter baumannii* nosocomial infection or colonization**

14-04-2024 - Springer

**Abstract** Purpose *Acinetobacter baumannii* (Ab) is a Gram-negative opportunistic bacterium responsible for nosocomial infections or colonizations. It is considered one of the most alarming pathogens due to its multi-drug resistance and due to its mortality rate, ranging from 34 to 44,5% of hospitalized patients. The aim of the work is to create a predictive mortality model for hospitalized ... [Read more...](#)

## **5. Symptoms predictive of *Fusobacterium necrophorum* pharyngotonsillitis – an observational study of cases presenting to hospitals in Southern Sweden**

14-04-2024 - Springer

**Abstract Objectives** *Fusobacterium necrophorum* is a common cause of pharyngotonsillitis. However, no guidelines exist on when to diagnose or treat it. We aimed to investigate associations between clinical criteria and *F. necrophorum*-positivity in pharyngotonsillitis and assess the predictive potential of a simple scoring system. **Methods** Pharyngotonsillitis patients who were tested for *F.* [Read more...](#)

## **6. Diagnostic performance, stability, and acceptability of self-collected saliva without additives for SARS-CoV-2 molecular diagnosis**

14-04-2024 - Springer

**Abstract Background** Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) caused the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), leading to a global pandemic. The molecular diagnosis of this virus is mostly performed by collecting upper respiratory samples, which has many disadvantages, including patient discomfort and the need for trained healthcare professionals. [Read more...](#)

## **7. Detection of intrathecal IgG antibody for varicella and measles diagnosis by evaluation and comparison of a commercial IgG chemiluminescent immunoassay with two ELISAs**

14-04-2024 - Springer

**Abstract Objectives** Analyse alternative methods of intrathecal antibody detection by comparing chemiluminescent immunoassay (CLIA) and enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) techniques to determine if CLIA can replace ELISA in the diagnosis of CNS infections. **Methods** A panel of 280 paired samples—cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) and serum—with known antibody reactivities (Varicella, ... [Read more...](#)

## **8. Comparison of *Mycoplasma pneumoniae* infection in children admitted with community acquired pneumonia before and during the COVID-19 pandemic: a retrospective study at a tertiary hospital of southwest China**

14-04-2024 - Springer

**Abstract Purpose** The COVID-19 pandemic has notably altered the infection dynamics of various pathogens. This study aimed to evaluate the pandemic's impact on the infection spectrum of *Mycoplasma pneumoniae* (*M. pneumoniae*) among children with community acquired pneumonia (CAP). **Methods** We enrolled pediatric CAP patients admitted to a tertiary hospital in southwest China to compare the ... [Read more...](#)

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**1. Excess mortality in Europe coincides with peaks of COVID-19, influenza and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV), November 2023 to February 2024**

*11-04-2024 - Eurosurveillance*

Since the end of November 2023, the European Mortality Monitoring Network (EuroMOMO) has observed excess mortality in Europe. During weeks 48 2023-6 2024, preliminary results show a substantially increased rate of 95.3 (95% CI: 91.7-98.9) excess all-cause deaths per 100,000 person-years for all ages. This excess mortality is seen in adults aged 45 years and older, ... [Read more...](#)

**2. Epidemiology, resistance genomics and susceptibility of *Acinetobacter* species: results from the 2020 Spanish nationwide surveillance study**

*11-04-2024 - Eurosurveillance*

**Background** As increasing antibiotic resistance in *Acinetobacter baumannii* poses a global healthcare challenge, understanding its evolution is crucial for effective control strategies. **Aim** We aimed to evaluate the epidemiology, antimicrobial susceptibility and main resistance mechanisms of *Acinetobacter* spp. in Spain in 2020, and to explore temporal trends of *A. baumannii*. [Read more...](#)

**3. Emergence of OXA-48-like producing *Citrobacter* species, Germany, 2011 to 2022**

*11-04-2024 - Eurosurveillance*

**Background** Carbapenemase-producing Enterobacterales are a public health threat worldwide and OXA-48 is the most prevalent carbapenemase in Germany and western Europe. However, the molecular epidemiology of OXA-48 in species other than *Escherichia coli* and *Klebsiella pneumoniae* remains poorly understood. **Aim** To analyse the molecular epidemiology of OXA-48 and OXA-48-like carbapenemases in ... [Read more...](#)

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Infection

**1. Comprehensive risk factor predictions for 3-year survival among HIV-associated and disseminated cryptococcosis involving lungs and central nervous system**

*13-04-2024 - Springer*

**Abstract** Background The global mortality rate resulting from HIV-associated cryptococcal disease is remarkably elevated, particularly in severe cases with dissemination to the lungs and central nervous system (CNS). Regrettably, there

is a dearth of predictive analysis regarding long-term survival, and few studies have conducted longitudinal follow-up assessments for comparing anti-HIV and ... [Read more...](#)

## 2. Predictive performance of NEWS and qSOFA in immunocompromised sepsis patients at the emergency department

12-04-2024 - Springer

Abstract Purpose Sepsis has a high incidence and a poor prognosis. Early recognition is important to facilitate timely initiation of adequate care. Sepsis screening tools, such as the (quick) Sequential Organ Failure Assessment ((q)SOFA) and National Early Warning Score (NEWS), could help recognize sepsis. These tools have been validated in a general immunocompetent population, ... [Read more...](#)

## 3. Detection of virus-specific T cells via ELISpot corroborates early diagnosis in human Borna disease virus 1 (BoDV-1) encephalitis

12-04-2024 - Springer

Abstract Background Within endemic regions in southern and eastern Germany, Borna disease virus 1 (BoDV-1) causes rare zoonotic spill-over infections in humans, leading to encephalitis with a high case-fatality risk. So far, intra-vitam diagnosis has mainly been based on RT-qPCR from cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) and serology, both being associated with diagnostic challenges. [Read more...](#)

## 4. Real-world effectiveness of sotrovimab for the treatment of SARS-CoV-2 infection during Omicron BA.2 and BA.5 subvariant predominance: a systematic literature review

11-04-2024 - Springer

Abstract Purpose To evaluate clinical outcomes associated with sotrovimab use during Omicron BA.2 and BA.5 predominance. Methods Electronic databases were searched for observational studies published in peer-reviewed journals, preprint articles and conference abstracts from January 1, 2022 to February 27, 2023. Results The 14 studies identified were heterogeneous in terms of study design, ... [Read more...](#)

## 5. Estimates of global and regional prevalence of Helicobacter pylori infection among individuals with obesity: a systematic review and meta-analysis

10-04-2024 - Springer

Abstract Purpose The prevalence of obesity is an escalating concern in modern populations, predominantly attributed to the widespread adoption of sedentary lifestyles observed globally. Extensive research has established a significant association between obesity and Helicobacter pylori (*H. pylori*). Nonetheless, a comprehensive assessment of the global prevalence of *H.* [Read more...](#)

## **6. The projected increase of vertebral osteomyelitis in Germany implies a demanding challenge for future healthcare management of aging populations**

*09-04-2024 - Springer*

**Abstract Purpose** Since an increase in the occurrence of native vertebral osteomyelitis (VO) is expected and reliable projections are missing, it is urgent to provide a reliable forecast model and make it a part of future health care considerations. **Methods** Comprehensive nationwide data provided by the Federal Statistical Office of Germany were used to forecast total numbers and incidence ... [Read more...](#)

## **7. Sapovirus: an emerging pathogen in kidney transplant recipients?**

*09-04-2024 - Springer*

**Abstract Purpose** Diarrhea is an important cause of morbidity and mortality in immunocompromised patients. After including sapovirus to the viral gastroenteritis screening of our institution's laboratory, we noticed an increase in sapovirus infections among kidney transplant recipients. Therefore, we assumed former gastrointestinal tract infections with unidentified pathogens could have been ... [Read more...](#)

## **8. The agreement between bronchoalveolar lavage, bronchial wash and sputum culture: a retrospective study**

*08-04-2024 - Springer*

**Abstract Purpose** Bronchoalveolar lavage is commonly used in clinical practice for unresolved pneumonia. However, bronchoalveolar lavage is not suitable for all patients as it is an invasive procedure and can worsen oxygenation. The diagnostic value of bronchial wash and sputum has been debated extensively over the years. In this study, we aim to compare the diagnostic value in several ... [Read more...](#)

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**Abstract** In the context of the evolving global health landscape shaped by the COVID-19 pandemic, tuberculosis (TB) is gaining renewed attention as a reemerging threat even in low-endemic countries. Immunological tests such as the tuberculin skin test (TST) and interferon-gamma release assay (IGRA) are pivotal in identifying tuberculosis infection (TBI). However, ... [Read more...](#)

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**Abstract Purpose** The objective examination of the Post-COVID syndrome (PCS) remains difficult due to heterogeneous definitions and clinical phenotypes. The aim of the study was to verify the functionality and correlates of a recently developed PCS score. **Methods** The PCS score was applied to the prospective, multi-center cross-sectoral cohort (in- and outpatients with SARS-CoV-2 infection) of ... [Read more...](#)

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**13. The yeast genus *Tardiomyces* gen. nov. with one new species and two new combinations**

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The first British Society of Gastroenterology (BSG) and Healthcare Infection Society (HIS)-endorsed faecal microbiota transplant (FMT) guidelines were published in 2018. Over the past 5 years, there has been considerable growth in

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The water environment serves as a reservoir of Carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriales (CRE) outbreaks in hospitals, encompassing handwashing sinks, water dispensers, wastewater drainage systems, toilets, and shower drains [1-6]. Nonetheless, few studies have systematically evaluated the water environment for CRE in South Korea. [Read more...](#)

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Romane Guilbaud and others *The Journal of Infectious Diseases* , Volume 229, Issue 4, 15 April 2024, Pages 1041–1049, <https://doi.org/10.1093/infdis/jiad499> SARS-CoV-2 genetic diversity was found to be higher in infections of immunocompromised patients than in those of health care workers used as controls. The SARS-CoV-2 genome evolved differently in the upper and lower respiratory tracts. [Read more...](#)

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Kyungmin Huh and others The Journal of Infectious Diseases , Volume 229, Issue 4, 15 April 2024, Pages 1026–1034, <https://doi.org/10.1093/infdis/jiad501> In this nationwide claims-based study in Korea, the risk of severe COVID-19 was significantly higher in solid organ transplant recipients (SOTRs) compared to non-SOTRs. Vaccination showed significant effectiveness in reducing the risk of ... [Read more...](#)

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Walid A Al-Soneidar and others The Journal of Infectious Diseases , Volume 229, Issue 4, 15 April 2024, Pages 1088–1096, <https://doi.org/10.1093/infdis/jiad335>  
There is no difference in prevalence of cutaneous human papillomavirus (HPV) between cancer cases and controls. No cutaneous HPV was detected in tumor tissues. The distribution of α- and γ-HPV, but not β-HPV, ... [Read more...](#)

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Ynke Larivière and others The Journal of Infectious Diseases , Volume 229, Issue 4, 15 April 2024, Pages 1068–1076, <https://doi.org/10.1093/infdis/jiad350> The administration of a heterologous Ad26.ZEBOV, MVA-BN-Filo vaccine regimen (56-day interval) in health care providers and frontliners from the Tshuapa province (Democratic Republic of the Congo) induced a robust Ebola virus ... [Read more...](#)

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Paul N Zivich and others The Journal of Infectious Diseases , Volume 229, Issue 4, 15 April 2024, Pages 1123–1130, <https://doi.org/10.1093/infdis/jiad507> This study compared the effectiveness of TAF/FTC as HIV prevention to a placebo using data from 2 randomized trials. After standardizing the demographics and risk factors between trials, TAF/FTC reduced the risk of HIV infection over 96 weeks. [Read more...](#)

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Eric A F Simões and others The Journal of Infectious Diseases , Volume 229, Issue 4, 15 April 2024, Pages 1112–1122, <https://doi.org/10.1093/infdis/jiad367> Although previous studies have examined the burden of RSV-attributable inpatient and outpatient visits, our study in Japan is unique in detailing the burden of medically attended RSV infection by prematurity status, ... [Read more...](#)

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Sarah Schmidt and others The Journal of Infectious Diseases , Volume 229, Issue 4, 15 April 2024, Pages 1077–1087, <https://doi.org/10.1093/infdis/jiad340> A novel hepatitis B virus (HBV) therapeutic vaccine was generated using nonreplicating arenavirus vectors and antigens selected for potent genotype cross-reactive responses. Vaccination produced polyfunctional cytotoxic T-cell responses with ... [Read more...](#)

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Wenjie Shi and others The Journal of Infectious Diseases , Volume 229, Issue 4, 15 April 2024, Pages 1215–1228, <https://doi.org/10.1093/infdis/jiad518> *Trichinella spiralis* adults maintain lung immune homeostasis by increasing the proportion of

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Anna J Henningsson and others *The Journal of Infectious Diseases*, Volume 229, Issue 4, 15 April 2024, Pages 1209–1214, <https://doi.org/10.1093/infdis/jiad451> We present the first genome-wide analysis of DNA methylation in peripheral blood mononuclear cells from patients with and those without the tick-borne infection Lyme neuroborreliosis (LNB). Our findings show that LNB is associated with ... [Read more...](#)

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Dylan J Tuttle and others *The Journal of Infectious Diseases*, Volume 229, Issue 4, 15 April 2024, Pages 1147–1157, <https://doi.org/10.1093/infdis/jiad544> In this study we show that the SARS-CoV-2 mRNA vaccines elicit lower S1-specific IgG and lower neutralizing antibodies to SARS-CoV-2, along with greater complement activation and decreased HIV-1 viremia and anti-Nef IgG in men with HIV-1.

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Dan Hao and others *The Journal of Infectious Diseases*, Volume 229, Issue 4, 15 April 2024, Pages 1166–1177, <https://doi.org/10.1093/infdis/jiad369> Using a new relative adrenal insufficiency (RAI) pediatric mouse model, this study demonstrated that RAI is a risk factor in pediatric sepsis and that glucocorticoid therapy successfully rescued mice with RAI. [Read more...](#)

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Noha Abdelgawad and others The Journal of Infectious Diseases , Volume 229, Issue 4, 15 April 2024, Pages 1200–1208, <https://doi.org/10.1093/infdis/jiad413> We describe linezolid plasma and cerebrospinal fluid pharmacokinetics in adults with tuberculosis meningitis/HIV. Linezolid was readily detected in cerebrospinal fluid despite coadministration with high-dose rifampicin. [Read more...](#)

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Gail B Cross and others The Journal of Infectious Diseases , Volume 229, Issue 4, 15 April 2024, Pages 1229–1238, <https://doi.org/10.1093/infdis/jiad425> There is mounting use of PET-CT as a biomarker of tuberculosis treatment. In this review, we explore the evidence available to date and what remains to support its use in early-phase clinical tuberculosis trials. [Read more...](#)

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Trupti Gilada and others The Journal of Infectious Diseases , Volume 229, Issue 4, 15 April 2024, Pages 1141–1146, <https://doi.org/10.1093/infdis/jiad520> Viral load dynamics was assessed among those randomized to deferred versus immediate ART during primary HIV-1 infection. Among treated participants, VL in plasma and semen reduced to <1000 copies/mL in the absence of ART, ... [Read more...](#)

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Randy M Stalter and others The Journal of Infectious Diseases , Volume 229, Issue 4, 15 April 2024, Pages 1158–1165, <https://doi.org/10.1093/infdis/jiad550> Among cisgender African women using the dapivirine vaginal ring for HIV-1 prevention, drug release rates consistent with continuous product use were associated with a 63% (95% CI, 33%–80%) per-sex-act HIV-1 risk reduction, ... [Read more...](#)

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Jessica K Fairley and others *The Journal of Infectious Diseases*, Volume 229, Issue 4, 15 April 2024, Pages 1189–1199, <https://doi.org/10.1093/infdis/jiad410>  
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Tangtian Chen and others *The Journal of Infectious Diseases*, Volume 229, Issue 4, 15 April 2024, Pages 1178–1188, <https://doi.org/10.1093/infdis/jiad365>  
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Christopher B Uzzell and others *The Journal of Infectious Diseases*, Volume 229, Issue 4, 15 April 2024, Pages 979–987, <https://doi.org/10.1093/infdis/jiad427>  
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## 30. Predictors of Severity of Influenza-Related Hospitalizations: Results From the Global Influenza Hospital Surveillance Network (GIHSN)

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Lily E Cohen and others The Journal of Infectious Diseases , Volume 229, Issue 4, 15 April 2024, Pages 999–1009, <https://doi.org/10.1093/infdis/jiad303> We analyzed data from 73 121 patients hospitalized with respiratory illness in 22 countries 15 660 had laboratory-confirmed influenza. We found a 7-fold increase in the risk of influenza-related intensive care unit admission in lower ... [Read more...](#)

**31. Changing Clinical Epidemiology of Plasmodium vivax Malaria as Transmission Decreases: Population-Based Prospective Panel Survey in the Brazilian Amazon**

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**32. Risk of Malaria Following Untreated Subpatent Plasmodium falciparum Infections: Results Over 4 Years From a Cohort in a High-Transmission Area in Western Kenya**

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Erica E Zeno and others The Journal of Infectious Diseases , Volume 229, Issue 4, 15 April 2024, Pages 969–978, <https://doi.org/10.1093/infdis/jiad398> The difference in risk of clinical malaria following a subpatent infection compared with an uninfected episode varies by transmission season. Rapid diagnostic tests identify most clinically relevant infections however, ... [Read more...](#)

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**34. The Association of Post-COVID-19–Related Symptoms and Preceding Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus 2 Infection Among Fully Vaccinated Paramedics in Canada**

*12-04-2024 - Oxford University Press*

Michael Asamoah-Boaheng and others The Journal of Infectious Diseases , Volume 229, Issue 4, 15 April 2024, Pages 1019–1025, <https://doi.org/10.1093/infdis/jiad475> In this study of Canadian paramedics, we

did not detect an association between prior SARS-CoV-2 infections and symptoms associated with post-COVID conditions. [Read more...](#)

### 35. Vaccine Take of RV3-BB Rotavirus Vaccine Observed in Indonesian Infants Regardless of HBGA Status

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Celeste M Donato and others *The Journal of Infectious Diseases*, Volume 229, Issue 4, 15 April 2024, Pages 1010–1018, <https://doi.org/10.1093/infdis/jiad351>  
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A molecular analysis of 3284 dried blood spots collected from cross-sectional surveys in 100 health facilities across 10 regions of Mainland Tanzania found that *P. ovale* spp. and *P. malariae* are present nationwide and must be ... [Read more...](#)

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Jessica S Tischendorf and others *The Journal of Infectious Diseases*, Volume 229, Issue 4, 15 April 2024, Pages 931–935, <https://doi.org/10.1093/infdis/jiad081>  
An emphasis on diversity, equity, and inclusion on program websites can be part of a multipronged effort to recruit diverse infectious disease fellows. Few programs prominently featured this content on their websites leading up to the ... [Read more...](#)

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Ivan Mufumba and others *The Journal of Infectious Diseases*, Volume 229, Issue 4, 15 April 2024, Pages 936–946, <https://doi.org/10.1093/infdis/jiad561>

Biomarkers represent promising tools to guide risk stratification of children with acute febrile illnesses and guide the rational allocation of resources. In this study, sTREM-1 was able to predict mortality using validated risk thresholds in ... [Read more...](#)

#### **40. Azithromycin for Bacterial Watery Diarrhea: A Reanalysis of the AntiBiotics for Children With Severe Diarrhea (ABCD) Trial Incorporating Molecular Diagnostics**

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Patricia B Pavlinac and others *The Journal of Infectious Diseases*, Volume 229, Issue 4, 15 April 2024, Pages 988–998, <https://doi.org/10.1093/infdis/jiad252>

Improved clinical outcomes among children with acute watery diarrhea of bacterial etiology in this reanalysis of the ABCD trial suggest that a short course of azithromycin may be warranted if bacterial etiologies could be identified at ... [Read more...](#)

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1. Evaluation of a new CT/NG/TV/MG Real-Time PCR Kit (Vircell) versus the Allplex STI Essential Assay (Seegene) for the diagnosis of sexually transmitted infections

09-04-2024 - *Microbiology Society*

Sexually transmitted infections (STI) are a public health problem. Real-time PCR assays are the most sensitive test for screening and diagnosis of these infections. The aim of this study was to evaluate a new CT/NG/TV/MG Real-Time PCR (RT-PCR) kit (Vircell) for the detection of Chamydia trachomatis, Neisseria gonorrhoeae, Mycoplasma genitalium and Trichomonas vaginalis for the diagnosis of ... [Read more...](#)

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Journal of Microbiology, Immunology and Infection

1. The Effect of Statins on the Risk of Anti-Tuberculosis Drug-Induced Liver Injury among Patients with Active Tuberculosis: A Cohort Study

09-04-2024 - *ScienceDirect*

Publication date: Available online 8 April 2024  
Source: Journal of Microbiology, Immunology and Infection  
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1. [Comment] Adapting existing tools to control and eliminate protracted epidemics and pandemics

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Cholera is a disease of inequity that today kills the poorest and most vulnerable people in Africa, Asia, and the Hispaniola region (comprising of Haiti and the Dominican Republic).<sup>1</sup> Data on cholera are often incomplete and underreported. Hence, the global burden of cholera is largely unknown. However, a previous study that used data collected from 2008 to 2012 estimated cholera to annually ...  
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Tuberculosis is one of the oldest foes of humankind, with a reach spanning every nation. Tuberculosis has claimed the most lives of any infectious disease in history.<sup>1</sup> In 2022 alone, there were around 10·6 million disease episodes, and 1·3 million tuberculosis-attributable deaths.<sup>2</sup> Tuberculosis research holds a prominent position in the scientific landscape, and has one of the most extensive ... [Read more...](#)

**3. [Articles] Efficacy of assisted partner services for people who inject drugs in Kenya to identify partners living with HIV and hepatitis C virus infection: a prospective cohort study**

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Use of assisted partner services among people with HIV who inject drugs was safe and identified partners with HIV and HCV infections. Assisted partner services was associated with increased uptake of ART for both index participants and partners. [Read more...](#)

**4. [Articles] Safety and immunogenicity of the Euvichol-S oral cholera vaccine for prevention of *Vibrio cholerae* O1 infection in Nepal: an observer-blind, active-controlled, randomised, non-inferiority, phase 3 trial**

*11-04-2024 - Elsevier*

A two-dose regimen of Euvichol-S vaccine was non-inferior to the active control vaccine, Shanchol, in terms of seroconversion rates 2 weeks after the second dose. The simplified formulation and production requirements of the Euvichol-S vaccine have the potential to increase the supply of oral cholera vaccine and reduce the gap between the current oral cholera vaccine supply and demand. [Read more...](#)

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**1. Retracing the evolution of *Pneumocystis* species, with a focus on the human pathogen *Pneumocystis jirovecii***

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**1. Assessment of Risk for Sudden Cardiac Death Among Adolescents and Young Adults After Receipt of COVID-19 Vaccine — Oregon, June 2021–December 2022**

*11-04-2024 - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) (USA)*

This report describes a review of Oregon death certificate data to assess whether young people in Oregon might be dying after receiving a COVID-19 vaccine.

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**2. Measles — United States, January 1, 2020–March 28, 2024**

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This report describes measles cases in the United States during 2020–2024

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**3. State Medicaid Coverage for Tobacco Cessation Treatments and Barriers to Accessing Treatments — United States, 2018–2022**

*11-04-2024 - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) (USA)*

This report describes state Medicaid coverage of tobacco cessation treatments.

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**4. COVID-19 Vaccination Coverage — World Health Organization African Region, 2021–2023**

*11-04-2024 - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) (USA)*

This report describes COVID-19 vaccination coverage in the World Health Organization African Region during 2021–2023. [Read more...](#)

**5. Infections Associated with Medtronic Duet External Ventricular Drains — Rhode Island Hospital, Providence, Rhode Island, January 2023–January 2024**

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This report describes an investigation of external ventricular drain-associated infections at a Rhode Island hospital. [Read more...](#)

**6. Notes from the Field: Neonatal Salmonellosis Associated with Backyard Poultry — Oregon, November 2023**

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This report describes a case of salmonellosis associated with backyard poultry in a newborn. [Read more...](#)

**7. EARLY RELEASE: Vital Signs: Mammography Use and Association with Social Determinants of Health and Health-Related Social Needs Among Women — United States, 2022**

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Nature Reviews Microbiology

**1. Microbial adaptability in changing environments**

*12-04-2024 - Nature*

Nature Reviews Microbiology, Published online: 12 April 2024  
doi:10.1038/s41579-024-01046-wThis Genome Watch article highlights the recent use of large-scale monitoring of natural microbiomes to examine feedback between environmental change and microbial adaptation. [Read more...](#)

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**1. Clinical Diagnosis of Varicella Is Inaccurate**

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In the postvaccination era, clinical diagnosis of varicella is wrong at least half the time. [Read more...](#)

**2. An Autoantibody Implicated in Adult-Onset Immunodeficiency**

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Anti-interleukin-23 antibodies are associated with severe mycobacterial, fungal, and bacterial diseases in adults. [Read more...](#)

**3. Benefits of Comprehensive Primary Care for Persons Living with HIV**

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In a CDC-supported study, non-ID providers attained equivalent HIV outcomes as ID providers, with better retention in care and likelihood of testing for sexually transmitted infections. [Read more...](#)

#### **4. Monoclonal Antibody Receives Emergency Use Authorization for Preventing COVID-19 in High-Risk Patients**

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Pemivibart, a long-acting antispike monoclonal antibody, is likely to be most beneficial in immunosuppressed patients at excess risk for severe COVID-19.

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#### **5. Observations from ID and Beyond: The Rise and Fall of Paxlovid**

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Patients at average risk for progression to severe disease did not benefit. [Read more...](#)

#### **7. HIV Preexposure Prophylaxis for Cisgender Women**

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Although the efficacy of oral PrEP for cisgender women has been questioned, HIV incidence is very low with consistent use of >4 weekly doses. [Read more...](#)

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Author Names: Ryan F., Cole-Hamilton J., Dandamudi N., Futschik M.E., Needham A., Saquib R., Kulasegaran-Shylini R., Blandford E., Kidd M., O'Moore E., Hall I., Sudhanva M., Klapper P., Dodgson A., Moore A., Duke M., Tunkel S., Kenny C., Fowler T. Database Source: Embase Weekly Updates Journal Title: Scientific reports Article Title: Faster detection of asymptomatic COVID-19 cases among care home staff in ... [Read more...](#)

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Author Names: Byford O., Shaw A.B., Tse H.N., Todd E.J.A.A., Alvarez-Rodriguez B., Hewson R., Fontana J., Barr J.N. Database Source: Embase Weekly Updates Journal Title: Journal of Virology, Journal of Virology Article Title: Lymphocytic choriomeningitis arenavirus requires cellular COPI and AP-4 complexes for efficient virion production Year: 2024 Issue: 3 Volume: 98 Abstract: Lymphocytic ... [Read more...](#)

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Author Names: Jafari Y., Yin M., Lim C., Pople D., Evans S., Stimson J., Pham T.M., Read J.M., Robotham J.V., Cooper B.S., Knight G.M. Database Source: Embase Daily Updates Journal Title: Infection Prevention in Practice Article Title: Effectiveness of infection prevention and control interventions, excluding personal protective equipment, to prevent nosocomial transmission of SARS-CoV-2: a systematic ... [Read more...](#)

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Author Names: Khalil A.,Samara A.,Coutinho C.M.,Ladhani S.N. Database Source: Embase Weekly Updates Journal Title: Ultrasound in obstetrics & gynecology : the official journal of the International Society of Ultrasound in Obstetrics and Gynecology Article Title: Global efforts needed to address burden of preventable stillbirth Year: 2024 Issue: 4 Volume: 63 Abstract: [Read more...](#)

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Author Names: Crone M.A.,Hakki S.,Fenn J.,Zhou J.,de Oliveira C.R.,Madon K.J.,Koycheva A.,Badhan A.,Jonnerby J.,Nevin S.,Conibear E.,Derelle R.,Varro R.,Luca C.,Ahmad S.,Zambon M.,Barclay W.S.,Dunning J.,Freemont P.S.,Taylor G.P.,Lalvani A. Database Source: Embase Weekly Updates Journal Title: Microbiology Spectrum Article Title: Rapid emergence of transmissible SARS-CoV-2 variants in mild ... [Read more...](#)

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Author Names: Lipworth S.,Matlock W.,Shaw L.,Vihta K.-D.,Rodger G.,Chau K.,Barker L.,George S.,Kavanagh J.,Davies T.,Vaughan A.,Andersson M.,Jeffery K.,Oakley S.,Morgan M.,Hopkins S.,Peto T.,Crook D.,Walker A.S.,Stoesser N. Database Source: Embase Daily Updates Journal Title: Nature Communications,Nature Communications Article Title: Correction to: The plasmidome associated with Gram-negative ... [Read more...](#)

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Author Names: Pecoraro C.M.,Mino L.,Kozyr E.,Palmisano L.,di Franco F.,Loddo V.,Santamaria M.,Bellardita M. Database Source: Embase Weekly Updates Journal Title: Chemical Communications,Chemical Communications Article Title: Pt-TiO<sub>2</sub> catalysts for glycerol photoreforming: comparison of anatase, brookite and rutile polymorphs Year: 2024 Issue: 28 Volume: 60 Abstract: We compared the H<sub>2</sub> ... [Read more...](#)

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Author Names: Howkins J.,Packer S.,Walsh E.,Kumar D.,Edeghere O.,Hickman M.,Oliver I. Database Source: Embase Weekly Updates Journal Title: BMC Infectious Diseases,BMC Infectious Diseases Article Title: Risk of transmission of

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Author Names: Mitkovic M.M.,Korunovic N.D.,Milenkovic S.S.,Stojiljkovic P.M.,Manic M.T.,Trajanovic M.D. Database Source: Embase Weekly Updates Journal Title: BMC Musculoskeletal Disorders,BMC Musculoskeletal Disorders Article Title: Forces required to dynamize sliding screws in gamma nail and selfdynamizable internal fixator Year: 2024 Issue: 1 Volume: 25 Abstract: Background: Single limb ... [Read more...](#)

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Author Names: Dixon P.,Martin R.M.,Harrison S. Database Source: Embase Weekly Updates Journal Title: Medical decision making : an international journal of the Society for Medical Decision Making Article Title: Causal Estimation of Long-term Intervention Cost-effectiveness Using Genetic Instrumental Variables: An Application to Cancer Year: 2024 Issue: 3 Volume: 44 Abstract: BACKGROUND: This ... [Read more...](#)

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Author Names: Talts T.,Mossopp L.G.,Williams D.,Tregoning J.S.,Paulo W.,Kohli A.,Williams T.C.,Hoschler K.,Ellis J.,de Lusignan S.,Zambon M. Database Source: Embase Weekly Updates Journal Title: Microbiology Spectrum Article Title: Robust and sensitive amplicon-based whole-genome sequencing assay of respiratory syncytial virus subtype A and B Year: 2024 Issue: 4 Volume: 12 Abstract: ... [Read more...](#)

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Author Names: Borman A.M.,Fraser M.,Patterson Z.,McLachlan S.,Palmer M.D.,Mann C.,Oliver D.,Brown P.,Linton C.J.,Dzietczyk A.,Hedley M.,Gough M.,Zapata L.,North P.,Johnson E.M. Database Source: Embase Daily Updates Journal Title: Journal of Infection,Journal of Infection Article Title: Fungal biomarker testing turn-around-times at the UK National Mycology Reference Laboratory: Setting the ... [Read more...](#)

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Author Names: Kitic D.,Miladinovic B.,Randjelovic M.,Szopa A.,Seidel V.,Prasher P.,Sharma M.,Fatima R.,Arslan Atessahin D.,Calina D.,Sharifi-Rad J. Database Source: Embase Weekly Updates Journal Title: Phytotherapy Research,Phytotherapy Research Article Title: Anticancer and chemopreventive potential of *Morinda citrifolia* L. bioactive compounds: A comprehensive update Year: 2024 Issue: 4 ... [Read more...](#)

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Author Names: Fotopoulos E.T.,Jenkins C.,Painset A.,Amar C. Database Source: Embase Weekly Updates Journal Title: Journal of Medical Microbiology,Journal of Medical Microbiology Article Title: *Listeria monocytogenes*: the silent assassin Year: 2024 Issue: 3 Volume: 73 Abstract: Listeriosis is a foodborne infection in humans caused by *Listeria monocytogenes*. Consumption of contaminated food can ... [Read more...](#)

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13-04-2024 - Ovid

Author Names: Tatarinova O.S.,Furness C.L.,Borman A.M.,Barber J.,Muthialu N.,Ferreras-Antolin L. Database Source: Embase Weekly Updates Journal Title: Medical Mycology Case Reports,Medical Mycology Case Reports Article Title: Neosartorya udagawae pulmonary infection requiring a surgical treatment in a paediatric haematopoietic progenitor cell recipient Year: 2024 Issue: Volume: 44 Abstract: ... [Read more...](#)

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Author Names: Mattock J.,Chattaway M.A.,Hartman H.,Dallman T.J.,Smith A.M.,Keddy K.,Petrovska L.,Manners E.J.,Duze S.T.,Smouse S.,Tau N.,Timme R.,Baker D.J.,Mather A.E.,Wain J.,Langridge G.C. Database Source: Embase Weekly Updates Journal Title: Emerging Infectious Diseases,Emerging Infectious Diseases Article Title: A One Health Perspective on *Salmonella enterica* Serovar *Infantis*, ... [Read more...](#)

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Author Names: Welch S.R.,Garrison A.R.,Bente D.A.,Burt F.,D'Addiego J.,Devignot S.,Dowall S.,Fischer K.,Hawman D.W.,Hewson R.,Mirazimi A.,Oestereich L.,Vatansever Z.,Spengler J.R.,Papa A. Database Source: Embase Weekly Updates Journal Title: Antiviral Research,Antiviral Research Article Title: Third International Conference on Crimean-Congo Hemorrhagic Fever in Thessaloniki, Greece, ... [Read more...](#)

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