

Deconstructing ISPD Guidelines in the Management of Peritonitis Dr. Yangmin Zeng FH nephrologist Luzhi Yan FH renal pharmacist

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We have nothing to disclose.

Overview

- Diagnosing peritonitis
- Measuring, monitoring and reporting peritonitis
- Fungal prophylaxis
- Antibiotic management of peritonitis

Special Series/Guidelines

ISPD peritonitis guideline recommendations: 2022 update on prevention and treatment

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GRADE recommendations



ISPD guideline grades

Grade	Number of Recommendations
1A	1
1B	5
1C	16
1D	1
2A	1
2B	4
2C	17
2D	11
Not Graded	13

Definition of peritonitis varies

77 PD studies were included in systematic review30% of studies do not describe definition of peritonitis42% of studies modified ISPD peritonitis definitions

Standardizing definitions for reporting of peritonitis and associated outcomes will better enable studying peritonitis.

Standardizing definition of peritonitis [1C]

TWO of the following are present:

1) clinical features: abdominal pain and/or cloudy dialysis effluent

2) dialysis effluent white cell count > 100/mL or > 0.1 x 109/L (after a dwell time of at least 2 h), with > 50% polymorphonuclear leukocytes (PMN).

*WBC count depends on duration of dwell, especially in CCPD

3) positive dialysis effluent culture

Cause specific peritonitis

Diagnose peritonitis according to organism

- Staphylococcus aureus peritonitis
- Culture-negative peritonitis

Catheter-related peritonitis:

- Peritonitis occurring within 3 months of catheter infection (either exit-site or tunnel) with the same organism as in effluent
- Allowed to have one site sterile if antibiotic exposure

Enteric peritonitis:

- An intestinal source involving processes such as inflammation, perforation or ischemia of intraabdominal organs
- If a peritonitis episode in this context is culture negative, we suggest that it be recorded as enteric peritonitis rather than as culture-negative

Time specific peritonitis

PD catheter insertion related peritonitis

- Any peritonitis that occurs within 30 days after insertion, regardless of whether patient is established on PD or not
- Aim for less than 5% of all catheter insertions

Pre-PD peritonitis

- Occurring after catheter insertion and before PD initiation, defined as first day of PD treatment with intent of long-term PD
- Flushing PD catheter does not count
- Many units only capture peritonitis after patients commence PD

PD related peritonitis

• During PD treatment





PD-PERITONITIS OUTCOMES

Medical cure

Complete resolution of peritonitis

Refractory peritonitis

Peritonitis persistently after 5 days of appropriate antibiotic therapy

Recurrent peritonitis

Peritonitis - within 4 weeks of completion of therapy of a prior episode, **different organism**



Relapsing peritonitis

Peritonitis within 4 weeks of therapy of a prior episode with the **same organism** or **one culture negative episode followed by culture negative (or specific organism)**



Repeating peritonitis

Peritonitis > 4 weeks of therapy of a prior episode with the **same organism**



- as part of the treatment of peritonitis episode



Peritonitis-associated hemodialysis transfer

- as part of the treatment for a peritonitis



Peritonitis-associated hospitalization

Hospitalisation for the purpose of peritonitis treatment delivery



Peritonitis-associated death

Death within 30 days of peritonitis onset or death during hospitalisation due to peritonitis



step 1	Total number CAPD/APD patient days at risk/365 days per year = patient years experience Example: 2,000 days/365 days per year = 5.5 years experience
step 2	Number of episodes of peritonitis/number of years experience = Episodes per patient year Example: 2 episodes peritonitis/5.5 patient years = 0.36 episodes per patient year

Important points:

- . Include hospital days (once home therapy begins) in total days at risk
- Include hospital acquired peritonitis (once home therapy begins) in total peritonitis rate²
- Relapsing episodes of peritonitis are counted as a single episode of peritonitis²
- Recurrent peritonitis is a new episode of peritonitis and should be counted as an individual occurrence²
- Peritonitis rates should be no more than 0.5 episodes per year at risk (one episode per 24 patient months) per ISPD 2016 recommendations²
- Programs should also be aware of the percentage of patients who are peritonitis free to include in unit's quality management programs
- · Exit-site infection rates are calculated in the same manner as above

 Table 2. Measurement and reporting of peritonitis.

	Unit of measure	Minimum frequency	Target
Peritonitis rates (overall and organism- specific)	Episodes per patient year	Yearly	<0.4 episodes per patient-
Culture-negative peritonitis	% of all peritonitis episodes	Yearly	<15% of all peritonitis episodes
Time to first peritonitis episode	Mean unit time to first episode peritonitis	Quarterly (local report)	_
Proportion of patients free of peritonitis	% per unit time	Quarterly (local report)	>80% per year
Pre-PD peritonitis	% of all peritonitis episodes	Quarterly (local report)	_
PD catheter insertion-related peritonitis	% of all PD catheter insertions	Quarterly (local report)	<5%
Medical cure	% of all peritonitis episodes	Quarterly (local report)	_
Recurrent peritonitis	% of all peritonitis episodes	Quarterly (local report)	_
Relapsing peritonitis	% of all peritonitis episodes	Quarterly (local report)	_
Peritonitis-associated catheter removal	% of all peritonitis episodes	Quarterly (local report)	_
Peritonitis-associated haemodialysis transfer	% of all peritonitis episodes	Quarterly (local report)	_
Peritonitis-associated death	% of all peritonitis episodes	Quarterly (local report)	_



Marshall MR et al Peritoneal Dialysis International. 2022;42(1):39-47.

Contamination of PD system

Dry contamination: contamination of a closed PD system

Wet contamination: contamination with an open system

IP prophylactic antibiotics recommended for all wet contaminations

PD PERITONITIS : WET vs DRY CONTAMINATION

Dry contamination

- outside a closed PD system
- disconnection distal to a closed clamp



Wet contamination

- open system
- contaminated dialysis fluid is infused

Examples:

- leaks from dialysate bags
- leaks or breaks in tubing proximal to the tubing clamp
- catheter administration set was left open for
- an long period
- breach of aseptic technique

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Wet contamination resulted in peritonitis 3.1% of time

Modifiable risk factors

We suggest that avoidance and treatment of hypokalemia may reduce the risk of peritonitis [2C].

We suggest that avoiding or limiting the use of histamine-2 receptor antagonists may prevent enteric peritonitis [2C].

Low Serum Potassium Levels and Clinical Outcomes in Peritoneal Dialysis (PD) - International Results from PDOPPS

STUDY POPULATION/METHODS



- 7421 PD patients
- 7 Countries
- 2014-2017
- Baseline serum potassium (K)
- Logistic Regression Factors associated with serum K <4 mEq/l
- Cox regression Impact of serum K levels on peritonitis and mortality

Davies et al, 2021

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Hypokalemia Risk Factors

- Lower urine volume
- Lower blood pressure
- Higher dialysis dose
- Greater diuretic use
- Not on renin-angiotensin system inhibitor
- Protein energy wasting factors: lower body mass index, serum albumin, phosphorus, and urea

FINDINGS

38%

K< 4 mEg/l

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Hypokalemia Consequences



higher peritonitis (K<3.5 mEq/l)



higher mortality (K<4.0 mEq/l)

CONCLUSION:

Hypokalemia was associated with markers of protein energy wasting, higher mortality, and peritonitis even after extensive adjustment for patient factors among patients receiving PD.

Hypokalemia and peritonitis

Thai study N = 167 Open RCT

Control: supplement when K <3.5

Intervention: supplementation to maintain K 4-5





H2 antagonists

Meta-analysis suggested H2 blockers associated with increased risk for enteric peritonitis

Causality is questionable?

Those on PPI did not have higher risk of enteric peritonitis

Fungal prophylaxis

To prevent fungal peritonitis, we recommend that anti-fungal prophylaxis be co-prescribed whenever PD patients receive an antibiotic course, regardless of the indication for that antibiotic course [1B].

Nystatin (500,000 units PO qid) or fluconazole (200 mg PO q48h)

Review: Antimicrobial agents for preventing peritonitis in peritoneal dialysis patients Comparison: 10 Antifungal versus placebo/no treatment Outcome: 1 Fungal peritonitis (number of patients with one or more episodes)



Summary

ISPD peritonitis definition Cause specific

- Organism
- Culture Neg
- Catheter-related
- Enteric

Time specific

- Catheter insertion
- Pre-PD
- PD

Outcome specific

Cure, refractory, recurrent, relapsing, repeat, HD transfer, catheter removal, death

New Targets

- Aim <0.4 epi/patient yr
- Culture Neg less than 15%
- % peritonitis free >80%/yr
- Cath insertion peritonitis <5%

Prevention

- Wet contamination IP Abx
- Treat hypoK
- H2 antagonists?



Antibiotic management



Figure 1. The algorithm of initial management for PD patients presenting with a clinical diagnosis of peritonitis. PD: peritoneal dialysis.

Prompt empiric antibiotic treatment

Prospective multicentre study (Australia) of 159 episodes

- The contact-to-treatment time was independently associated with treatment failure
- Each hour of delay in administering antibiotic therapy from the time of presentation to a hospital facility, the risk of PD failure or death was higher by 5.5%

Retrospective study of 109 episodes

• 24 h delay in administering antibiotics conferred a 3-fold risk of peritoneal catheter removal by multivariate analysis

Cefepime coverage

- 4th generation cephalosporin
- Broad-spectrum: Gram+, Gram- (including Pseudomonas)
 Does not cover Coagulase negative Staph
- Less likely to induce β-lactamase producing strains

	Enterococcus	MSSA	Coag -ve Staph (S)	S. epidermidis (S)	Strep	Citrobacter/ Enterobacter	P. aeruginosa
Cefazolin	0	+	+	+	+	0	0
Ceftazidime	0	0	0	0	+	0	+
Cefepime	0	+	0	+	+	+	+

Cefepime

- Elimination half-life
 ≻Adults: 2 h
 ≻HD: 13.5 h; PD: 19 h
- Excretion: urine (85% as unchanged drug)
- Formulary status: restricted for chemotherapy induced febrile neutropenia OR cystic fibrosis
- Daily cost
 - ≻Hospital: \$25 (cefepime 2 g vial) vs. \$13.74 (total for cefaz + ceftaz)
 - Calea: \$10.96 (cefepime 2 g PFS) vs. \$7.84 + \$11.77 (cefaz 2 g PFS + ceftaz 2 g PFS, respectively)

Cefepime monotherapy

Wong et al. 2001	Li et al. 2000	Kitrungphaiboon et al. 2019
Prospective, open-label, RCT (Hong Kong) N = 39 (Group A) and 34 (Group B)	Prospective, noncontrolled, nonrandomized trial (Hong Kong) N = 87	Multicentre, open-label, non-inferiority RCT (Thailand) N = 70 (mono) and 74 (combo)
Grp A: cefepime 2 g IP loading dose, then 1 g IP daily x 9 days Grp B: vancomycin IV + netilmicin IP	Cefepime 2 g IP loading dose, then 250 mg per exchange. If no clinical response by day 5, review therapy.	Cefepime 1 g IP loading dose, then 250 mg IP per exchange Cefazolin + ceftazidime (same dosing)
Similar overall microbiological response rates. Failure for Pseudomonas in both groups.	Primary response: 80.5% - Gm+: 83.7% - Gm-: 64.7% (Pseudomonas 37.5%) Complete cure: 67.8%	Primary response: 82.6% vs. 81.1% Complete cure: 80% vs. 80.6% Conclusion: cefepime IP is non-inferior to cefazolin+ceftazidime
No significant ADRs reported. 1 pt reported instillation pain with cefepime requiring discontinuation.	 pt reported epigastric pain, vomiting and vertigo requiring discontinuation. pts reported GI upset. 	1 pt in each group developed maculopapular rash. 5 deaths (mono) and 2 deaths (combo)

IP antibiotic doses

Antibiotic	Intermittent (1 exchange daily for at least 6 h)		Continuous (all exchanges)
Aminoglycosides		<u>,</u>	
Amikacin	2 mg/kg daily ¹⁷³		Not advised
Gentamicin	0.6 mg/kg daily ^{174,175}		Not advised
Netilmicin	0.6 mg/kg daily ¹⁶⁵		Not advised
Tobramycin	0.6 mg/kg daily		Not advised
Cephalosporins Ceferellin	15 months deithe (familian a dam 10 176,177		LD 500
Cerazolin	20 mg/kg daily (for short dwell)		LD 500 mg/L, MD 125 mg/L
Cefepime	1000 mg daily		LD 500 mg/L, MD 125 mg/L ^{d 168}
Cefoperazone	No data		LD 500 mg/L, MD 62.5-125 mg/L ¹⁸⁰
Cefotaxime	500-1000 mg daily ¹⁸¹		no data
Ceftazidime	1000–1500 mg daily (for long dwell)		LD 500 mg/L MD 125 mg/L ^d 168,182
Gereazienne	20 mg/kg daily (for short dwell) ¹⁷⁸		22 500 11,92,112 125 11,92
Ceftriaxone	1000 mg daily 183		No data
Penicillins	. ,		
Penicillin G	No data		LD 50,000 unit/L, MD 25,000 unit/L ¹³
Amoxicillin	No data		MD 150 mg/L ¹⁸⁴
Ampicillin ^a	4 gm daily ¹⁸⁵		MD 125 mg/L ¹⁸⁶
Ampicillin/			LD 1000 mg/500 mg, MD 133.3 mg/66.7
Piperacillin/	No data		LD 4 gm/0.5 gm MD 1 gm/0.125 gm ¹⁸⁹
tazobactam	No Gata		
Ticarcillin/clayulanic	No data		ID 3 gm/0.2 gm MD 300 mg/20 mg/l ¹⁹⁰
acid	No data		
Others			
Aztreonam	2 gm daily ¹⁹¹		LD 500 mg/L ¹⁹² , MD 250 mg/L ^{192,193}
Ciprofloxacin	No data		MD 50 mg/L ¹⁹⁴
Clindamycin	No data		MD 600 mg/bag ¹⁹⁵
Daptomycin	300 mg daily ¹⁹⁶		LD 100 mg/L ^{197,198,199} , MD 20 mg/L ^{197,200}
Fosfomycin	4 g daily ^{201,202}		No data
Imipenem/cilastatin	500 mg in alternate exchange ²⁰³		LD 250 mg/L, MD 50 mg/L ¹⁸²
Ofloxacin	No data		LD 200 mg. MD 25 mg/L ²⁰⁴
Polymyxin B	No data		MD 300.000 unit (30 mg)/bag ¹⁸⁸
Ouinupristin/	25 mg/L in alternate exchanges ^{b205}		No data
dalfopristin			
Meropenem	500 mg daily (for long dwell in APD) ²⁰⁷		MD 125 mg/L ²⁰⁶
	1000 mg daily (for short dwell in CAPD) ^{208,09}		-
Teicoplanin	15 mg/kg every 5 days ²¹⁰		LD 400 mg/bag, MD 20 mg/L ^{211,140}
Vancomycin	15-30 mg/kg every 5-7 days ^{c141,212} for CAPD		LD 20-25 mg/kg, MD 25 mg/L ²¹⁴
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Table 5. IP antibiotic dosing recommendations for treatment of peritonitis.

IP antibiotic doses

Cefazolin

- 15 mg/kg daily (for long dwell): CAPD; 6 h minimum
- 20 mg/kg daily (for short dwell): APD 10 h, no last dwell; added to 1st 5L bag
 Ceftazidime
- 1000-1500 mg daily (for long dwell): CAPD; 6 h minimum
- 20 mg/kg daily (for short dwell): APD 10 h, no last dwell; added to 1st 5L bag
 Meropenem
- 500 mg daily (for long dwell in APD): daytime dwell 15 h followed by APD
- 1000 mg daily (for short dwell in CAPD): CAPD; 6 h minimum
 Vancomycin
- 15-30 mg/kg q5-7d for CAPD and 15 mg/kg q4d for APD
- Dosing will vary by site practices

Table 6. Systemic antibiotic dosing recommendations for treatment of peritonitis.

	Drug	Dosing
	Antibacterial	
	Amoxicillin	Oral 500 mg thrice daily ²¹⁹
Systemic	Ciprofloxacin	Oral 500–750 mg daily ²²⁰
e ye cerrite		Oral 750 mg BD for CCPD ²²¹
antihiatia	Clarithromycin	Oral 250 mg BD ^{222,223}
anupiouc	Colistin	IV 300 mg loading (for critically ill patients), then 60–200 mg daily ^{b224-226}
	Dalbavancin	IV 1500 mg over 30 min single dose ²²⁷
dacac	Daptomycin	IV 4–6 mg/kg every 48 h ²²⁸
uoses	Ertapenem ^a	IV 500 mg daily ²²⁹
	Levofloxacin	Oral 250 mg daily ²³⁰ or 500 mg every 48 h
	Linezolid	IV or oral 600 mg BD ^{231,232} for 48 h, then 300 mg BD ²³³
	Moxifloxacin	Oral 400 mg daily ^{234,235}
	Rifampicin	Oral or IV 450 mg daily for BW <50 kg; 600 mg daily for BW \geq 50 kg
	Ticarcillin/clavulanic acid	IV 3 gm/0.2 gm every 12 h
	Tigecycline	IV 100 mg loading, then 50 mg every 12 h ^{236,237}
	Trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole	Oral 160 mg/800 mg BD ^{236,237}
	Anti-fungal	210
	Amphotericin B desoxycholate	IV 0.75–1.0 mg/kg/day over 4–6 h ²⁴⁰
	Amphotericin B (liposomal)	IV 3-5 mg/kg/day ^{241,242}
	Anidulafungin	IV 200 mg loading, then 100 mg daily ^{243,244}
	Caspofungin	IV 70 mg loading, then 50 mg daily ²⁴³
	Fluconazole	Oral 200 mg loading, then 100 mg daily ²⁴⁰
	Flucytosine	Oral I gm daily ²⁷⁰
	Isavuconazole	Oral or IV 200 mg every 8 h for 6 doses (48 h) loading, then 200 mg daily
	Micafungin	IV 100 mg daily 1011 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 1
	Posaconazole	Oral tablet 300 mg every 12 h loading for two doses, then 300 mg daily
	Voriconazole	Oral 200 mg every 12 h

BD: twice a day; IV: intravenous; BW: body weight.

^aErtapenem is not active against *Pseudomonas* or *Acinetobacter* species. ^bExpressed as colistin base activity in mg.

IP antibiotic stability

Table 7. Summar	of IP antibiotics stability.
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	PD so	PD solutions		Storage of	Remarks ^a		
Antibiotics	Dextrose-based	Icodextrin- based	Stability	Room temperature	Under refrigeration	Tested for	Stable for
Gentamicin	~		14 days	~	✓	14 days	
		\checkmark	14 days	\checkmark	✓	14 days	
Cefazolin	\checkmark		8 days	\checkmark			8 days
	\checkmark		l4 days		\checkmark	14 days	
		\checkmark	7 days	\checkmark		,	7 days
		\checkmark	14 days		\checkmark	14 days	
Ceftazidime	\checkmark		4 days	\checkmark			4 days
	\checkmark		7 days		\checkmark		7 days
		\checkmark	2 days	\checkmark			2 days
		\checkmark	14 days		✓	14 days	
Cefepime	\checkmark		l4 days		\checkmark	14 days	
Vancomycin	\checkmark		28 days	\checkmark		Ń	A
		\checkmark	l4 days	\checkmark	\checkmark	14 days	
Piperacillin/ tazobactam + Heparin	~	~	7 days		~	7 days	

PD: peritoneal dialysis.

^a'Stable for X days' indicates that the antibiotic concentration retained at least 90% of its initial concentration up to day X. 'Tested for X days' indicates the antibiotic concentration retained at least 90% of its initial concentration up to the study duration set for X days only. Stability (Stable for X days) is interpreted according to the type of PD solutions and storage conditions specified.

Stability and compatibility of antibiotics in peritoneal dialysis solutions

Comprehensive review of stability and compatibility studies relating to intraperitoneal (IP) antibiotic administration in different peritoneal dialysis (PD) solutions under various storage conditions

Methods

Clinical

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Literature review 2016-2021



Use of IP antibiotics in different solutions:

- Dextrose
- Icodextrin
- pH neutral

Results Stability of antibiotics in various PD solutions									
	PD solution	Room temperature	Refrigerated						
Gentamicin	Icodextrin	14 days	14 days						
Cefazolin	Icodextrin	7 days	14 days						
Ceftazidime	Icodextrin	2 days	14 days						
Cefepime	pH-neutral (bicarbonate component)	4 days	7 days						
Vancomycin	Icodextrin	14 days	14 days						

Compatibility of antibiotics for IP administration

	Gentamicin	Ceftazidime	Cefazolin	Vancomycin
Gentamicin		N/A	1	1
Ceftazidime	N/A		1	1
Cefazolin	1	1		N/A
Vancomycin	1	1	N/A	

The stability data of other antibiotics, including amoxicillin, ampicillin, piperacillin/tazobactam, meropenem, imipenem and ciprofloxacin, were also reviewed.

Conclusion: The review provides an extended scope of antibiotic stability data for common antibiotics in PD solutions. Future research is required regarding the impact of administration of antibiotics in different compartments of dual-chamber bags, the stability data of antifungal agents and narrow-spectrum antibiotics in PD solutions. So, SWY., et al. Clinical Kidney Journal (2022) philipli@cuhk.edu.hk @CKJsocial

N-acetylcysteine

Adjunctive oral N-acetylcysteine (NAC) therapy may help to prevent aminoglycoside (AMG) ototoxicity [2B].

- Ototoxicity occurs with IP AMGs similar to systemic administration. The mechanism is incompletely understood.
 Genetic predisposition (mitochondrial DNA mutations)
 Production of free radicals causing cochlear hair cell damage
- Proposed NAC mechanism: thiol-containing antioxidant
- Oral NAC ADRs: abdominal pain, nausea, diarrhea, arthralgia

Author, year	Condition	AG	N	N (NAC)	N (P)	NAC dose	Duration of NAC	Duration of AG	Cumulative dose, g	N hearing loss (NAC)	N hearing loss (P)	Risk ratio hearing loss (95% Cl)	Mean hearing loss, dB (NAC), early	Mean hearing loss, dB (P), early	Mean hearing loss, dB (NAC), late	Mean hearing loss, dB (P), late		
Feldman, 2007 ¹⁴	Haemodialysis, sepsis	Gentamicin	53*	20	20	600 mg twice daily	For the duration of gentamicin therapy until 1 week after completing therapy	14.8±3.8 (NAC) 14.3 ±5.8 (P)	0.68 (NAC) 0.69 (P)	2†	11†	0.26 (0.06 to 1.04)	2.0±3.8‡	5.8±5.1‡	2.1±5.2§	7.0±8.2§		
Tokgoz, 2011 ¹⁶	CAPD peritonitis	Amikacin	60	30	30	600 mg twice daily	For the duration of amikacin therapy		1.5 (NAC) 1.25 (P)	1¶	21¶	0.08 (0.01 to 0.55)	-4.7±7.4**	5.4±8.6**	-6.0±8.9††	16.9±8.1††		
Kocyigit, 2014‡‡ ¹⁷	CAPD peritonitis	Amikacin	50§§	23	23	600 mg twice daily	2 weeks	9 (4–20) (NAC) 8 (4–21) (P)	1.5 (NAC) 1.2 (P)									

Table 1 Studies investigating the effect of NAC in preventing aminoglycoside-induced ototoxicity

*In the NAC group, 1 died, 3 had airborne discrepancies, 2 were unable to cooperate; in the placebo group, 2 died, 3 had airborne discrepancies, 1 was unable to cooperate, 1 withdrew consent. †6 weeks after completing gentamicin therapy.

\$1 week after completing gentamicin therapy, at frequencies 6000, 8000, 12 000 Hz.

§6 weeks after completing gentamicin therapy, at frequencies 6000, 8000, 12 000 Hz.

¶4 weeks after starting amikacin therapy.

**1 week after starting amikacin therapy, at frequency 10 000, 12 000, 14 000, 16 000 Hz.

114 weeks after starting amikacin therapy, at frequency 10 000, 12 000, 14 000, 16 000 Hz.

##No measurement of pure-tone average hearing threshold, but measurement of transient-evoked otoacoustic emissions and distortion-product otoacoustic emissions.

§§In the NAC group, 1 withdrew consent, 1 dropped out; in the placebo group, 1 died, 1 withdrew consent.

AG, aminoglycoside; CAPD, continuous ambulatory peritoneal dialysis; NAC, N-acetylcysteine; P, placebo.

- Studies assessed high-frequency hearing function
- None of the trials assessed vestibular function
- Pooled relative risk for otoprotection at 4 to 6 weeks was 0.14 (95% CI 0.05 to 0.45)
- Overall quality of evidence rated as low/very low (risk of bias and heterogeneity)

N-acetylcysteine

- Data based on small studies, high risk of potential bias
- Reasonable to consider co-administration of NAC 600 mg PO BID for duration of AMG in select patients
 - ➢? prolonged duration of therapy (e.g., TB therapy)
 - ➤? multiple courses of AMGs
 - ➤? history of hearing loss

<u>Bottom-line</u>: avoid prolonged use of AMGs; intermittent daily dosing preferred over continuous dosing

Refractory peritonitis

- We recommend that PD catheter be removed in refractory peritonitis episodes, defined as failure of the PD effluent to clear after 5 days of appropriate antibiotics [1D].
- We suggest that observation for antibiotic effect longer than 5 days is appropriate if PD effluent white cell count is decreasing towards normal, instead of mandatory PD catheter removal if effluent does not clear up by day 5 [2C].

Refractory peritonitis



In one-fifth of the cases, patients showed delayed response with 34% reduction of effluent white cell count by day 5, without the need for PD catheter removal.

Tantiyavarong et al. Int J Nephrol. 2016; 2016: 6217135.



Oral amoxicillin

105 episodes of Enterococci peritonitis; 67 mixed bacterial growth; 38 single organism.

The overall primary response rate to PO amoxicillin and IP vancomycin was 76.4% and 85.5%, respectively (p = 0.3).

 Primary response: resolution of abdominal pain, clearing of dialysate, and PDE neutrophil <100/ml on day-10 with antibiotics alone.

The complete cure rate of PO amoxicillin and IP vancomycin was 55.8% and 54.8%, respectively (p = 0.8).

• Complete cure: complete resolution of peritonitis by antibiotics alone without relapse or recurrence within 4 weeks of completion of therapy.

Oral amoxicillin



Szeto CC et al. Kidney Blood Press Res (2018) 42 (5): 837-843.

Pseudomonas peritonitis

- We suggest that Pseudomonas peritonitis be treated with 2 antibiotics with different mechanisms of action and to which the organism is sensitive for 3 weeks [2C].
- We suggest that Pseudomonas peritonitis with concomitant exit-site and tunnel infection be treated with catheter removal [2D].
- If there is no clinical response after 5 days of effective antibiotic treatment, we suggest that Pseudomonas peritonitis be treated with early catheter removal instead of using three antibiotics as an attempt to salvage [2D].

Pseudomonas dual coverage?

Retrospective study of 191 Pseudomonas peritonitis episodes (Australia)

- Episodes treated with 2 anti-Pseudomonal agents were significantly less likely to require permanent HD vs monotherapy (10 vs. 38%; P = 0.03)
 - > Majority of single agent used was ciprofloxacin; dosing not reported
 - Resistance rates not reported
- No difference in rates of relapse, hospitalization, catheter removal or death

Retrospective study of 153 Pseudomonas peritonitis episodes (HK)

- No difference in complete cure rate between episodes treated with 3 and 2 antibiotics (47.06 vs. 51.58%; P = 0.4)
- Dual antibiotic therapy used was ceftazidime + gentamicin in 83.7% of cases
 ➢ Resistance in study: 20.9% to ceftazidime, 11.8% to gentamicin and 3.3% to both
 ➢ FH resistance: 10% to ceftazidime and 3-4% to gentamicin

Other notable updates

- New sections on management of Acinetobacter, Stenotrophomonas maltophilia and other Enteric gramnegative bacteria peritonitis
- Updates to management of Mycobacterium tuberculosis peritonitis, as well as updated recommendations for anti-TB antibiotic dosing
- Updates to management of non-tuberculous mycobacterial peritonitis



Questions?