

# CLSI Methodology June 2013 FQWG



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# History of FQ Working Group

Established following the June 2009 CLSI AST Subcommittee meeting, based on a vote by the Subcommittee that an M23, section 6 condition potentially exists for re-evaluation of quinolone and fluoroquinolone breakpoints for *Salmonella* spp. and perhaps other *Enterobacteriaceae*

# FQ WG: Original *Raison d'Etre*

- Assess validity and utility of NA disk test for Salmonella
- Assess validity and need for change of FQ breakpoints for Salmonella

# History of FQ WG: Data Reviewed

- MIC data summarized by H. Sadar
- PK/PD data: summarized by S. Bhavnani
- Clinical: collected and summarized by J. Adler  
included several recent publications

Conclusion of WG: Break points were too high and NA test performed poorly

# FQ WG: What has been accomplished

Assess validity and need for change of FQ breakpoints for Salmonellae

- Based on available data (MIC distribution, PK/PD, clinical) the breakpoints for Salmonellae were changed (lowered) for testing the FQs in clinical usage

# FQ WG: What has been accomplished

Assess validity and need for change of FQ breakpoints for Salmonellae

– CIP: MIC and DD

- Ciprofloxacin: S/I/R <0.06 / 0.12-.05 /  $\geq 1$
- Ciprofloxacin S/I/R  $\geq 31$  / 21-30 /  $\leq 20$

– LVX and OFX: MIC only (correlation of DD data with MIC not acceptable)

- Levofloxacin: S/I/R <0.12 / 0.25-1 /  $\geq 2$
- Ofloxacin: S/I/R <0.12 / 0.25-1 /  $\geq 2$

# FQ WG: What has been learned

## Assess validity and utility of NA disk test for Salmonellae

- Current 30 ug NA disk does NOT work as a screening test for Salmonellae. It neither identifies nor excludes resistant strains.
- Screening test is useful (needed) in geographic areas in which MIC testing is not readily available
- There can be difficulties in reading CIP/OFX/LVX DD tests. The NA DD is easier to read

# FQ WG: What has been done

## Assess validity and utility of NA disk test for *Salmonellae*

- Took out NA comment (Jan 2011) and put it back (June 2011) with the understanding that alternative/improvement in screening test would be pursued
- Clarified intentions in comments 32-34 and 36-37
  - MIC testing is preferable
  - NA test may be used to test for reduced FQ susceptibility in *Salmonella*. Strains with that test R to NA may be associated with clinical failure in FQ treated patients.
  - NA may not detect all mechanisms of FQ resistance

# FQ WG: What has been done

Assess validity and utility of NA disk test for *Salmonellae*

- Investigation by Robert Skov (Pilot study data presented Jan 2013): Detection of reduced susceptibility to fluoroquinolones for *salmonellae* spp using alternative fluoroquinolone disks

# Detection of reduced susceptibility to fluoroquinolones for *salmonellae* spp using alternative fluoroquinolone disks

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# Materials and methods

- 126 isolates
  - Examined by PCR for qnr, QRDR and aac6
    - 43 isolates with no identified resistance mechanisms
    - 37 isolates with qnr genes
    - 45 isolates with QRDR mutations
    - 1 isolate with an aac6-lb-cr gene
      - Possible also an additional resistance mechanism – not identified

# Materials and Methods

- Disks ( $\mu\text{g}$ )
  - Ciprofloxacin 5
  - Ofloxacin 5
  - Levofloxacin 5
  - Nalidixic acid 30
- Ciprofloxacin 1
- Enoxacin 10
- Norfloxacin 2
- Pefloxacin 5

# Materials and methods

- MIC
  - BMD, Frozen panels, Trek ML1FNFQ, lot 12494
    - Ciprofloxacin 0.016 – 16 mg/L
    - Levofloxacin 0.016 – 32 mg/L
    - Ofloxacin 0.016 – 32 mg/L
    - Nalidixic acid 0.016 – 32 mg/L
- QC
  - *E.coli* ATCC 25922 and *P. aeruginosa* ATCC 27853

# Summary/Conclusion I

- By MIC using current CLSI break points, all three FQ (CIP, LVX, OFX) distinguished between isolates with and without resistance mechanisms.
- By DD neither CIP 5 $\mu$ g, LVX 5, OFX 5 or NA 30 were able to reliably distinguish isolates with resistance mechanisms from WT.

# Summary/Conclusion II

- DD
  - Alternative disks were identified
  - **Pefloxacin 5** was able to reliably distinguish between isolates with and without resistance mechanisms on all tested batches of MH agar
  - Pooling all results (readers, media etc) a breakpoint of
$$S \geq 25 \text{ mm}$$
$$R < 25 \text{ mm}$$
yielded a sensitivity of 100%  
specificity of 99,6%

# FQ WG: Next Steps

Goal is to have a reliable, robust, low cost screen test available for publication in CLSI documents 2014

Based on presentation of study data, in Jan 2013 SC recommended moving forward to develop pefloxacin 5 disc as screening test

- Specific activities for Robert
  - Generate sufficient data to establish QC guidelines. Conduct a full QC study consistent with M-23
  - Additional testing with characterized strains from Marcelo or other labs.
  - Present data on MIC correlation consistent with M-23 guidelines
- Anticipate presentation of data package to SC in Jan 2014



Thank you!