



A STUDY ON ANTIMICROBIAL SUSCEPTIBILITY PATTERNS OF STAPHYLOCOCCUS AUREUS FROM TERTIARY CARE CENTERS CHANDRAPUR (M.S.) INDIA

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Abstract:

Antibiotic resistant pathogens constitute an important and growing threat to the public health. Antibiotic resistance occurs when a microbe acquires a gene, which allows the microbe to inactivate the antibiotic or otherwise nullify its antimicrobial activity. Staphylococci are widespread pathogens and are frequently associated with hospital-acquired infections. Healthcare-associated methicillin-resistant *S. aureus* (MRSA) is a major cause of nosocomial infections worldwide, with significant attributable morbidity and mortality in addition to pronounced healthcare costs. Many hospitals struggle with increasing amounts of MRSA, which are "multi-resistant" against all beta-lactam antibiotics. Often, applicable antibiotics for treatment are only glycopeptides like vancomycin. The main objectives of this study was to find out the antimicrobial susceptibility pattern of *S.aureus* isolates, the prevalence of methicillin resistant *S.aureus* and demonstration of Vancomycin resistance among MRSA strains. Method: A total 139 clinical samples like pus, sputum and burn wounds are screened for the isolation of *S.aureus* strains. The pure isolates of coagulase positive *S.aureus* were tested for antimicrobial susceptibility by using standard methods. Results: Out of 139 clinical specimens 100 samples were found to be coagulase negative *S.aureus*. High resistance was observed against penicillin, erythromycin and tetracycline. High sensitivity was recorded against amikasin, chloramphenicol & Gentamycin. Of the isolates 76 isolates were methicillin resistant *S.aureus* (MRSA). Vancomycin resistant among MRSA isolates was found 14%. Conclusion: Our study emphasizes the need for continuous monitoring of the antimicrobial susceptibility pattern of *S.aureus* isolates including MRSA for the selection of appropriate therapy. In Chandrapur, from the present findings it appears that the spread of MRSA in community is very high and the vancomycin which is the last choice for the treatment MRSA strains also shown resistant. So there is need of high alert in hospital settings and need of continuous monitoring and surveillance to control resistance.

Keywords: MRSA, VRSA, Antibiotics and Oxacillin.

Introduction

Antibiotic resistant pathogens constitute an important and growing threat to the public health. Antibiotic resistance occurs when a microbe acquires a gene, which allows the microbe to inactivate the antibiotic or otherwise nullify its antimicrobial activity. This may occur as a spontaneous, genetic mutation or involve acquisition of a genetic element such as plasmid, transposon and gene cassette. Staphylococci are widespread pathogens and are frequently associated with hospital-acquired infections. Healthcare-associated methicillin-resistant *S. aureus* (MRSA) is a major cause of nosocomial infections worldwide, with significant attributable morbidity and mortality in addition to pronounced healthcare costs. Many hospitals struggle with increasing amounts of MRSA, which are "multi-resistant" against all beta-lactam antibiotics. Often, applicable antibiotics for treatment are only glycopeptides like vancomycin and teicoplanin⁹. The Staphylococci were initially identified as grape like cluster of bacteria isolat

Material and Methods:

The present study was conducted on the clinical specimens collected from civil hospital

Chandrapur district. Total 139 clinical specimens was collected, out of which 100 specimen was found to be coagulase negative *Staphylococcus aureus*. Of the 100 clinical isolates, 78 isolates of *S.aureus* were from pus, 13 were from burn patient and 9 from sputum sample. Standard procedure was followed for isolation and identification of *S.aureus* and to perform antimicrobial activity⁷. In brief the specimen was collected in sterile container and transport to the laboratory. The specimen then immediately inoculated nutrient broth tube and incubate overnight at 37°C for enrichment. Then the loop full of sample transfer to the Mannitol Salt Agar and were incubated at 37°C for 18-24 hours. The suspected isolated colonies were exposed to Gram's staining and other biochemical test. *Staphylococcus aureus* organisms were confirmed mainly by positive DNase test and coagulase tests. After confirmation of *S.aureus* isolates were subjecte

Result and Discussion:

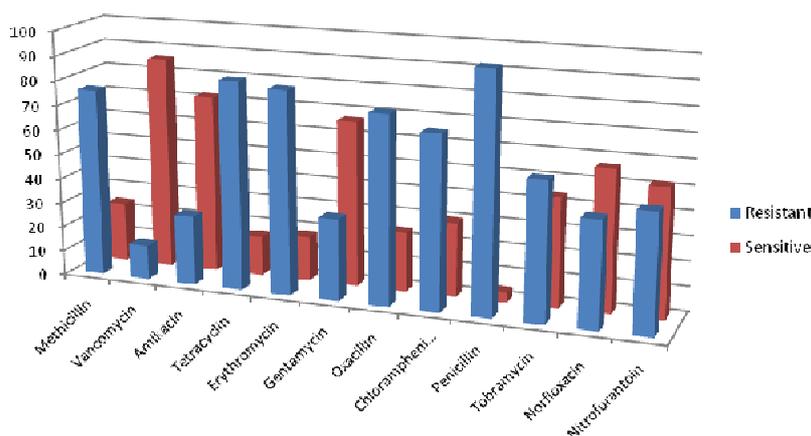
The present study identified 100 coagulase positive *Staphylococcus aureus* out of 139 clinical specimen. From 100 positive isolates 76 (76%) isolates were accounted MRSA and rest of MSSA (26%). Most of the MRSA

samples were isolated from pus, sputum and burn patient. The percentage of MRSA in Pus, Sputum and Burn was 85.89%, 33.33% and 46.15% respectively; whereas the percentage of

MSSA in Pus, Sputum and Burn 14.11%, 66.67% and 53.85% respectively. (Table 1) (Graph 1)

Table 5: Comparison of antimicrobial susceptibility pattern of methicillin resistant *S.aureus* strains identified on disc diffusion with MIC (Total=76)

Sr. No	Name of Antibiotics	Antimicrobial Susceptibility Test							
		Disc Diffusion				MIC			
		Sensitivity		Resistant		Sensitivity		Resistant	
		No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
1	Oxacillin	0	0	76	100	08	10.52	68	89.47
2	Vancomycin	65	85.52	11	14.47	69	90.78	07	9.21



Graph-4 : Result of Antibiotic sensitivity Test on Disc Diffusion

Discussion:

This study was conducted at Chandrapur district Which is declared as tribal region. Very few reports are available on MRSA from this region. In this study we have found the prevalence rate of MRSA is 76 % It shown that there is significant rise in antimic

Conclusion:

The present study first time exposed the vancomycin resistance in this part of India and prevalence rate of MRSA is 76%. These findings are suggest the need of regularly monitoring the antibiotic resistance patterns of MRSA and implementation of strict rules and regulation on antibiotic usages. The most effective way to prevent emergence of antibiotic resistance is by continuous surveillance of antibiotic resistance profile, reduce misused of antimicrobial drug by proper diagnostic procedure, development of significant new antimicrobial agents and also need of effective education.

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