

The background of the slide features a microscopic view of nontuberculous mycobacteria. The bacteria are shown as long, thin, rod-shaped structures with a slightly beaded or granular surface texture. They are arranged in various orientations, some appearing in small clusters. The color of the bacteria is a pale, yellowish-tan, contrasting with the darker, reddish-brown background. The overall image has a soft, slightly blurred quality, typical of a light micrograph.

# **Nontuberculous Mycobacteria in the Immunocompromised Host**

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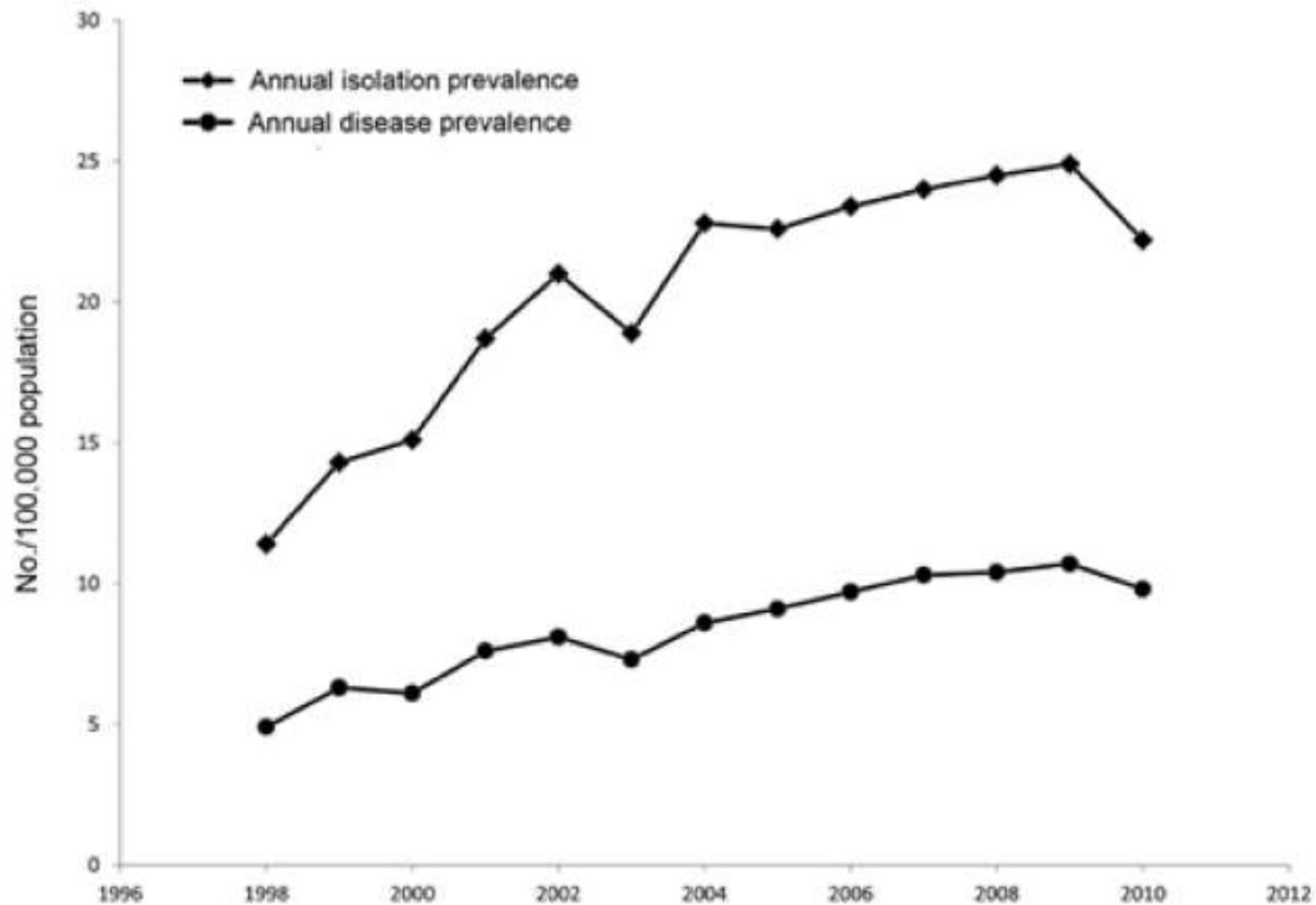


Figure. Annual isolation prevalence and disease prevalence per 100,000 persons of pulmonary nontuberculous mycobacteria, Ontario, Canada, 1998–2010.





# NTM Disease Manifestations

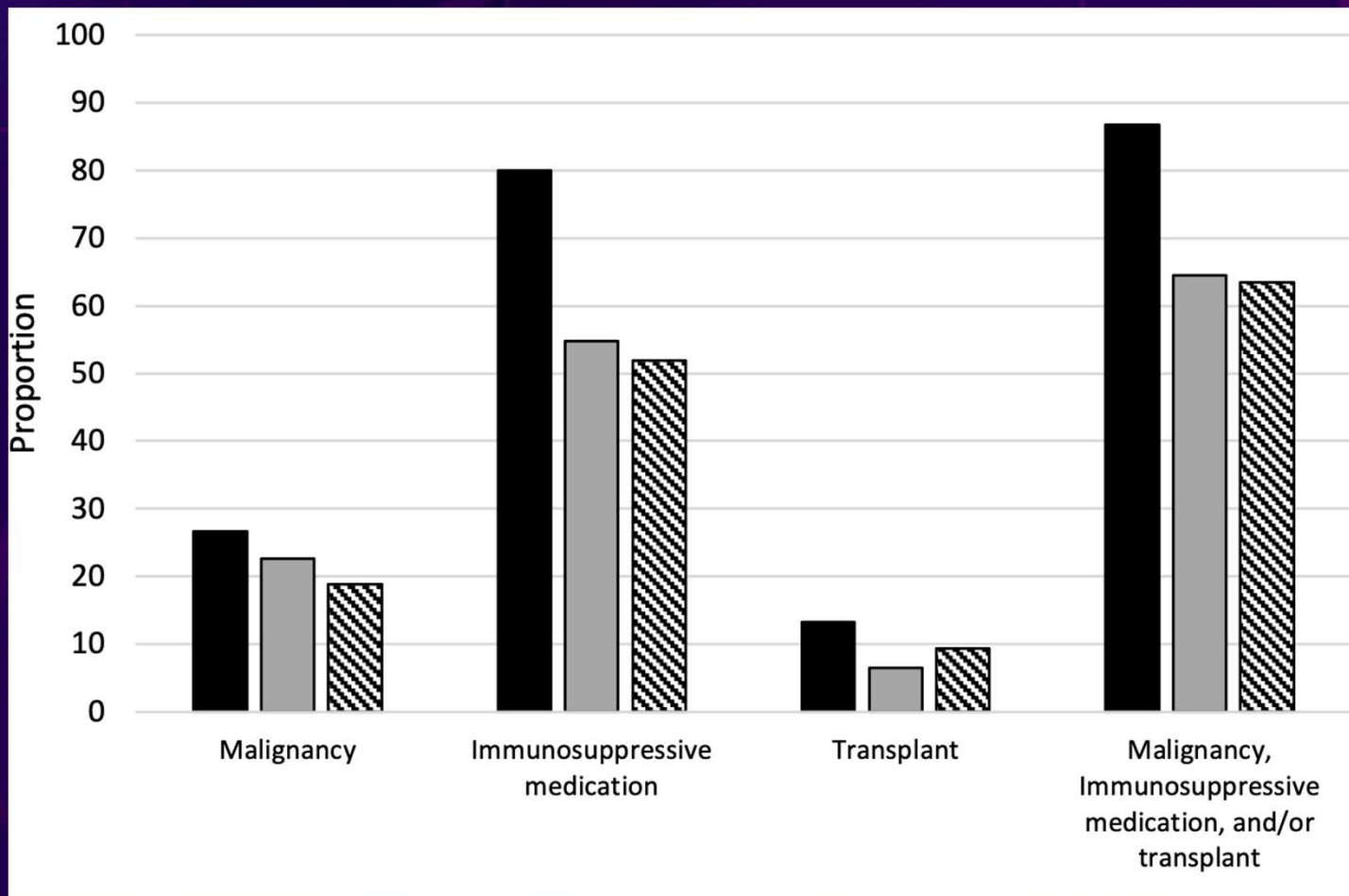
Table 2. Nontuberculous mycobacterium (NTM) cases by species and disease site, Oregon 2007-2012

Mycobacterium species	Pulmonary	Skin/ soft tissue	Disseminated	Lymph	Other	Total
	N (%)	N (%)	N (%)	N (%)	N (%)	N (%)
<i>M. avium/intracellulare</i> complex	1005 (92.8%)	68 (37.8%)	35 (79.5%)	21 (87.5%)	42 (60%)	1171 (83.6%)
<i>M. abscessus/chelonae</i> complex	46 (4.2%)	51 (28.3%)	1 (2.3%)	1 (4.2%)	9 (12.9%)	108 (7.7%)
<i>M. fortuitum/ mucogenicum</i>	5 (0.5%)	21 (11.7%)	2 (4.5%)	1 (4.2%)	3 (4.3%)	32 (2.3%)
<i>M. marinum</i>	-	17 (9.4%)	-	-	2 (2.9%)	19 (1.4%)
<i>M. lentiflavum</i>	6 (0.6%)	1 (0.6%)	-	-	-	7 (0.5%)
<i>M. kansasii</i>	5 (0.5%)	-	-	-	1 (1.4%)	6 (0.4%)
<i>M. bovis</i>	-	1 (0.6%)	-	-	3 (4.3%)	4 (0.3%)
<i>M. goodii</i>	-	4 (2.2%)	-	-	-	4 (0.3%)
<i>M. xenopi</i>	2 (0.2%)	1 (0.6%)	-	-	1 (1.4%)	4 (0.3%)
<i>M. aubagnense</i>	-	1 (0.6%)	1 (2.3%)	-	1 (1.4%)	3 (0.2%)
<i>M. alvei</i>	-	2 (1.1%)	-	-	-	2 (0.1%)
<i>M. immunogenum</i>	1 (0.1%)	-	-	-	1 (1.4%)	2 (0.1%)
Other (unspeciated and 13 species with a single case)	13 (1.2%)	12 (6.7%)	5 (11.4%)	1 (4.2%)	7 (10%)	38 (2.7%)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1083</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>1401</b>

77% of NTM disease is pulmonary

# CDC Active Surveillance

- Annualized prevalence was 7.5/100 000 (PNTM: 6.1/100 000; ENTM: 1.4/100 000)



## Nontuberculous *Mycobacterium* species and common sites of infection in immunosuppressed hosts

	Pulmonary	Disseminated	Skin/Soft Tissue/Catheter
Slow growers	MAC <i>M kansasii</i> <i>M xenopi</i> <i>M malmoense</i>	MAC <i>M kansasii</i> <i>M haemophilum</i> <i>M marinum</i> <i>M genavense</i> (R)	MAC <i>M marinum</i> <i>M haemophilum</i> (R)
Rapid growers	<i>M abscessus</i>	<i>M chelonae</i> <i>M abscessus</i> (R) <i>M fortuitum</i> (R)	<i>M abscessus</i> <i>M chelonae</i> <i>M fortuitum</i> <i>M mucogenicum</i> (R)

Abbreviations: MAC, *M avium/intracellulare* complex; (R), rare

Adapted from Griffith DE, Aksamit T, Brown-Elliott BA, et al. An official ATS/IDSA statement: diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of nontuberculous mycobacterial disease. Am J Respir Crit Care Med 2007; 175(4): 367-416.

# Immunosuppressive use common in Pulmonary NTM

TABLE 2. COMPARISON OF PULMONARY NTM DISEASE CHARACTERISTICS BETWEEN MALE AND FEMALE CASE SUBJECTS

	Female (n = 109)	Male (n = 75)
Age (median)	68 yr*	62 yr*
Cavitation <sup>†</sup>	22 (20%)	22 (31%)
Effusion	13 (12%)*	18 (24%)*
COPD	24 (22%)*	28 (37%)*
Bronchiectasis	22 (20%)	8 (11%)
Immunosuppressive Tx	32 (29%)	15 (20%)
Previous TB <sup>‡</sup>	8 (7%)	9 (12%)

*Definition of abbreviations:* COPD = chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; TB = tuberculosis; Tx = treatment.

\* Denotes  $P < 0.05$  for comparison between columns designated male and female.

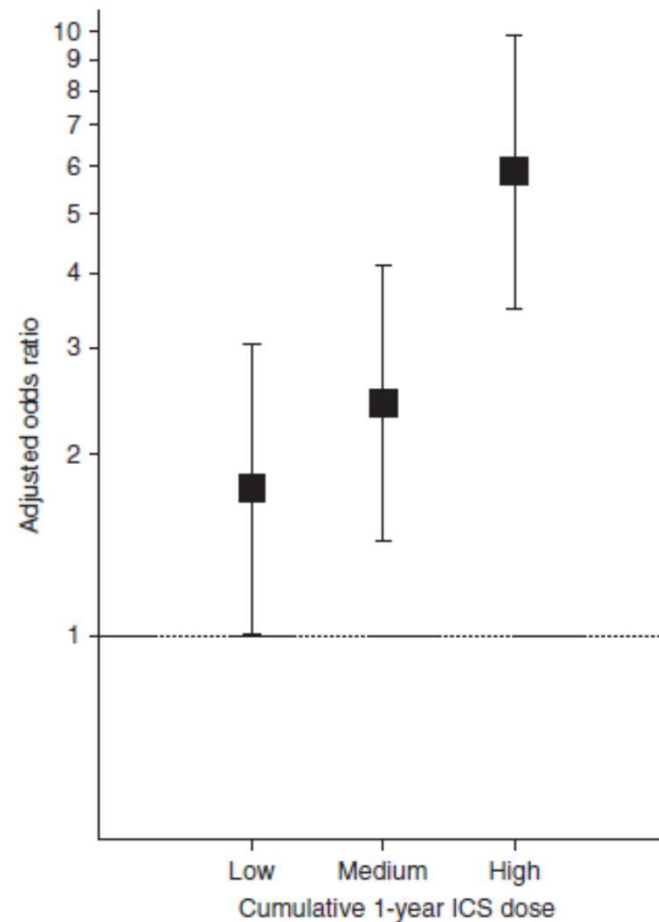
<sup>†</sup> Cavitation noted on either chest radiograph or computed tomography.

<sup>‡</sup> Previous TB included history of latent TB infection (n = 11), prior active TB disease (n = 3), and history of unknown active versus latent TB (n = 3).



# Steroids and Pulmonary NTM

- **Case-control study in Oregon and Washington**
  - **OR = 8.0 for prednisone use**
- **Denmark COPD cohort**
  - **Inhaled corticosteroids (ICS) RR 1.24**
- **Japanese case-control study**
  - **ICS duration and dose associated with NTM among asthmatic**
- **In all three studies**
  - **Higher risk of NTM with oral prednisone doses >15 mg and >800 mg fluticasone equivalent.**



**Figure 2.** Adjusted odds ratios and 95% confidence intervals for nontuberculous mycobacterial pulmonary infection based on tertiles of cumulative dosage of beclomethasone-equivalent inhaled corticosteroid (ICS) use in the 1 year before cohort entry. The reference group is patients without ICS use in the year before cohort entry.

Liu, Winthrop, Lu, *et al.*: Inhaled Steroids and Pulmonary NTM Infection

# Immunosuppression and NTM

- **More frequently disseminated**
  - **Local inoculation versus GI route**

## Risk factors and conditions

- **ESRD, prednisone, biologic immunosuppressives**
- **HIV**
- **Cancer, transplant, leukemia (hairy cell)**
- **Auto-antibody and cytokine/receptor deficiency states**
  - **INF-gamma, IL12-23 pathway, STAT-1**
- **Disease split between RGM and slow growers**
  - **RGM more common here than in pulmonary disease**

Table 1

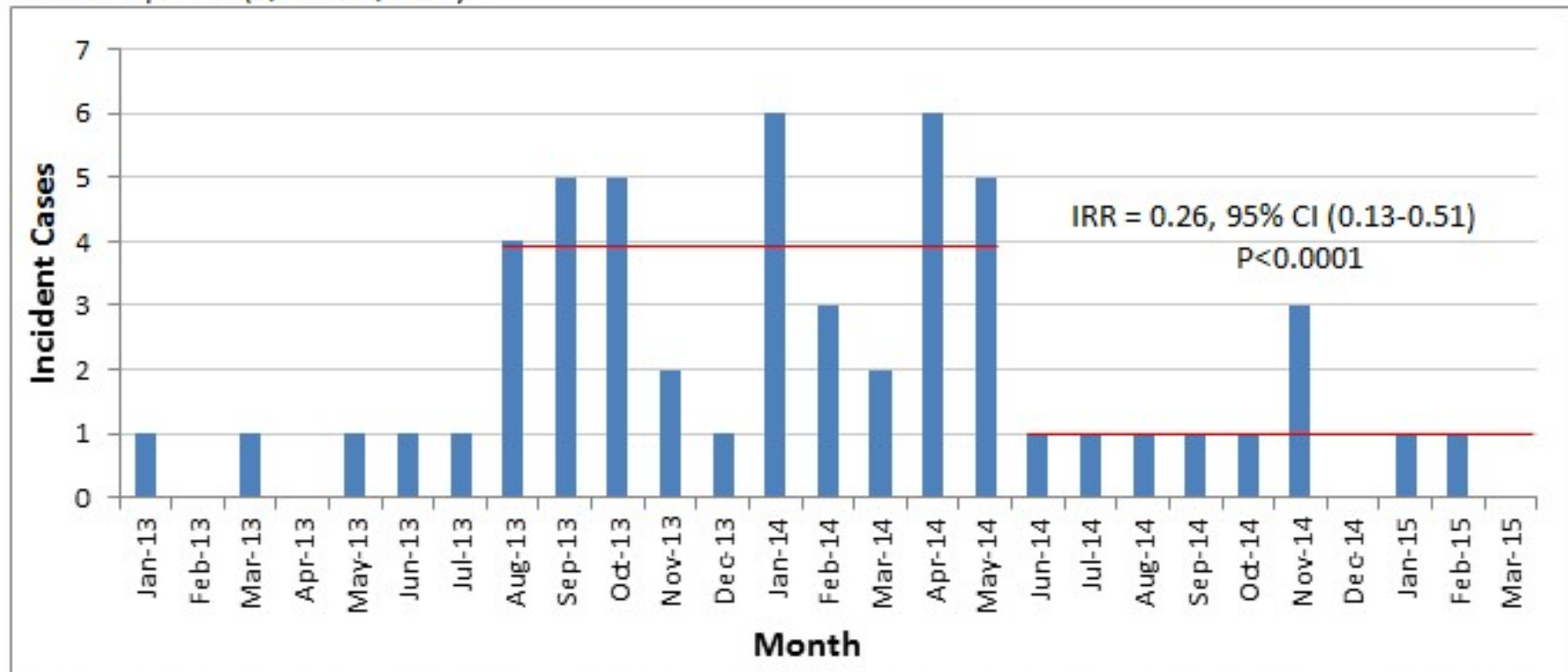
## Immunosuppressive conditions and risks for nontuberculous mycobacteria (NTM)

Underlying Disease or Treatment	No. of NTM Cases in Included References	Pulmonary (%)	Disseminated (%)	Skin/Soft Tissue/ Catheter (%)	Overall Risk/ Relative Risk (RR)	References
AIDS	972		(100)		24%	2
Hairy cell leukemia	9		(100)		5%	56
Hematopoietic stem cell transplant	97	18	9	70	0.4–4.9	48,53,62
Hematologic malignancies	34	76	24		1.2%	55
Solid organ transplant	40	50	15	35	0.02 (various organs) 1.1 (lung) per 100 person-years	49,51
Biological therapy for immune-mediated inflammatory diseases	123	56–67	8	35	74/100,000	15,25
Corticosteroid therapy for chronic respiratory disease	182	(100)			RR Oral: 8 Inhaled: 24.3	13,34



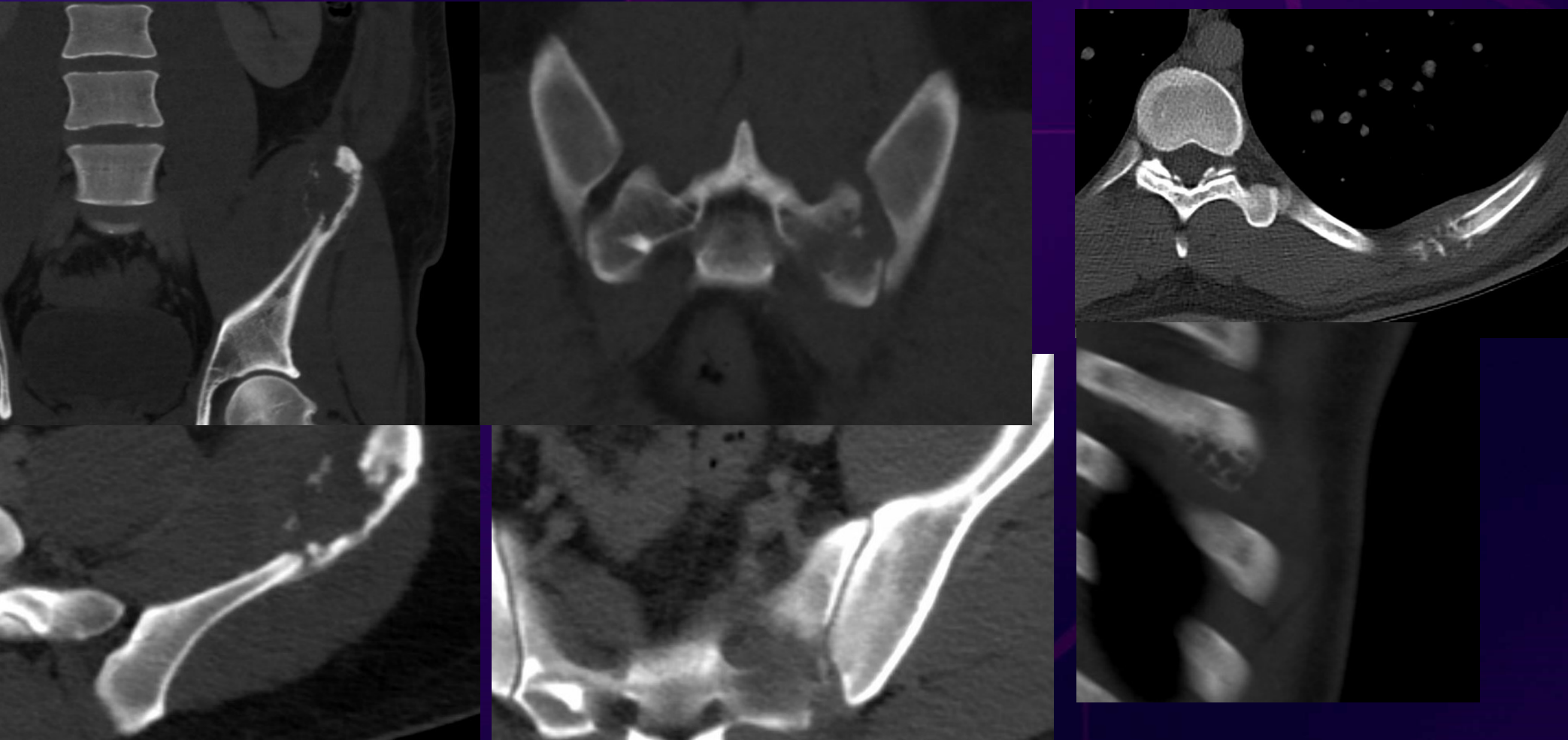
# Lung Transplant

**Figure.** Incident cases of *Mycobacterium abscessus* by month from January 2013 through March 2015 among recently hospitalized lung transplant patients. The intervention period (6/2014-3/2015) was compared to the outbreak period (8/2013-5/2014).

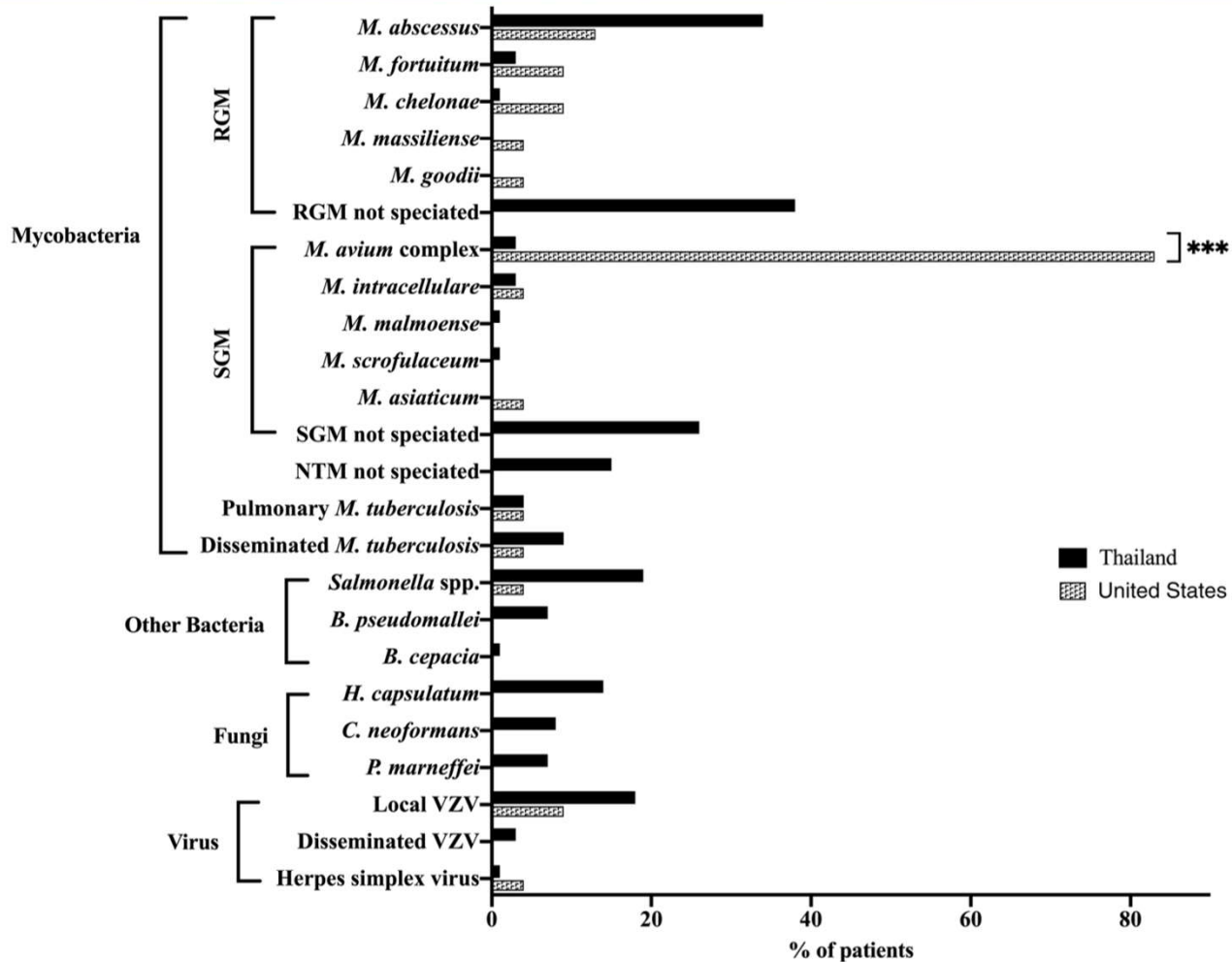


**Note.** Horizontal red lines indicate incidence rate (cases per month) during outbreak and intervention periods, respectively. IRR, incidence rate ratio; CI, confidence interval.

# Interferon- $\gamma$ receptor 1 (IFN- $\gamma$ R1)



# INF-gamma Auto-antibody

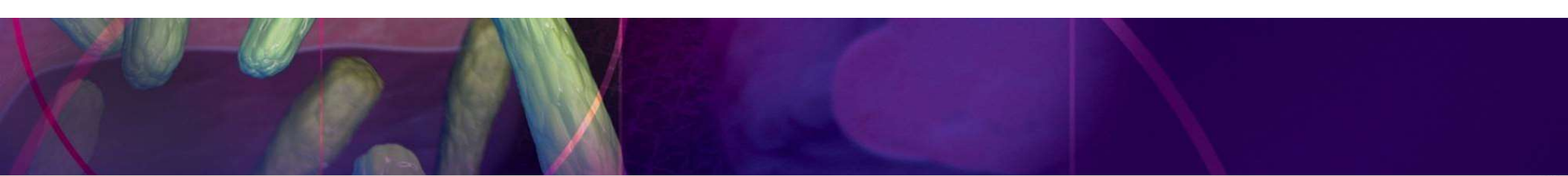


**Figure 2.** Isolated organisms at presentation in Thailand and the United States. Abbreviations: B, Burkholderia; C, Cryptococcus; H, Histoplasma; M, mycobacterium; NTM, nontuberculous mycobacteria; P, penicillium; RGM, rapid-growing mycobacteria; SGM, slow-growing mycobacteria; VZV, varicella-zoster virus.

# Case

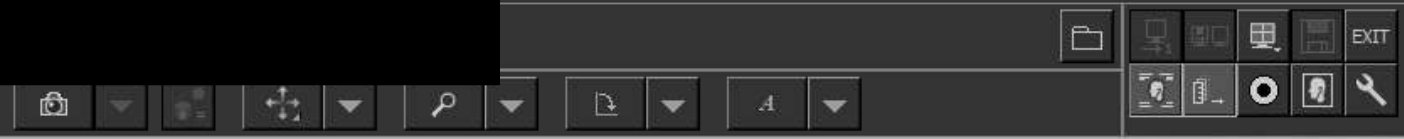
- **52 year old female**
  - **Dermatomyositis**
  - **7 mg prednisone for 15 years**
- **Left shoulder swelling, redness, pain X 3 months**
  - **Biopsy negative**
  - **Re-biopsy with AFB**
- **Which AFB?**





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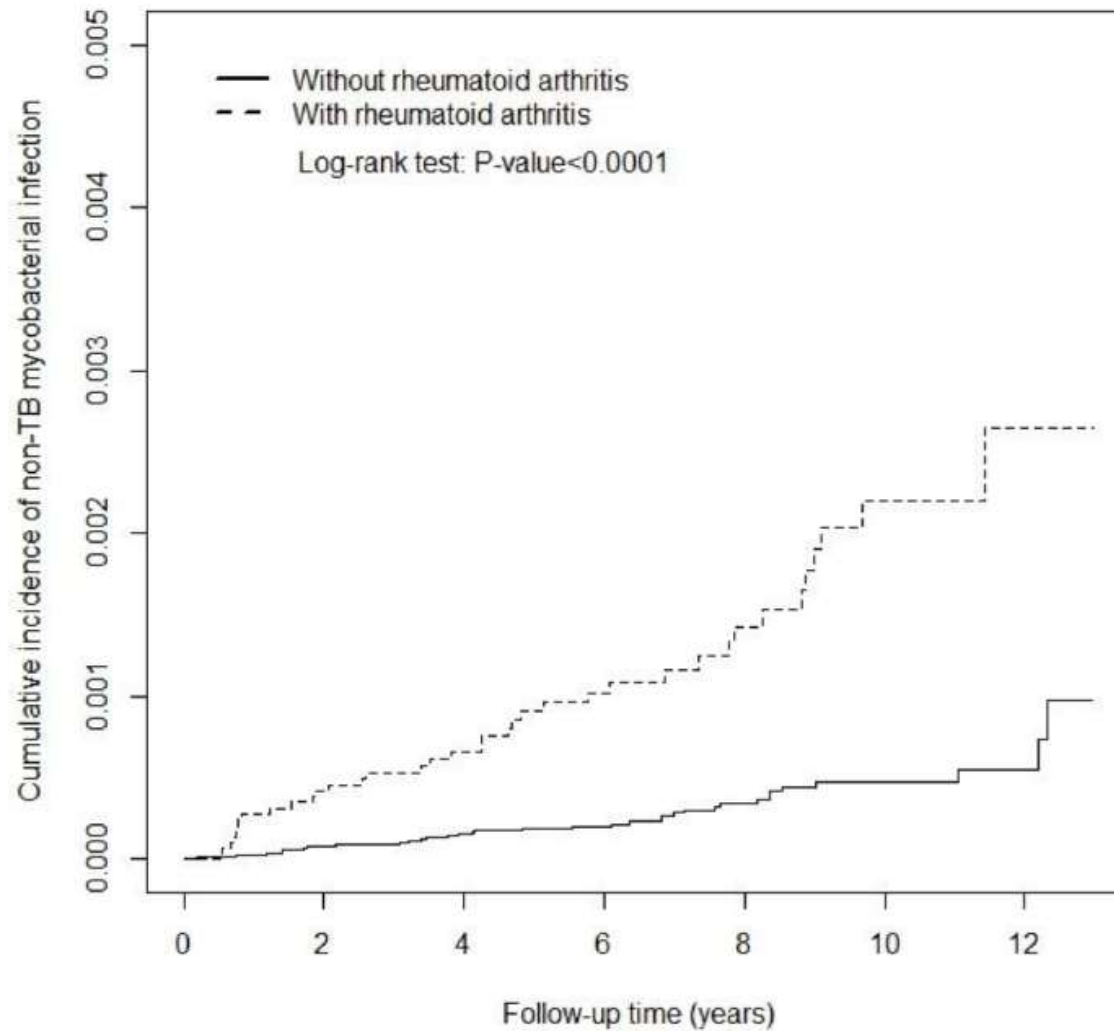
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# IMiD Biologic Therapies

- **TNF- $\alpha$  inhibition**
  - **Infliximab, adalimumab, golimumab, certolizumab (monoclonal antibodies)**
  - **Etanercept (soluble p75 receptor)**
- **Other Biologics**
  - **CD4 co-stimulation modulator: abatacept**
  - **B-cell (CD20+) antibody: rituximab**
  - **Anti-IL-6: tocilizumab, sarilumab**
  - **Anti-IL12/IL23 antibody: ustekinumab**
  - **Anti-IL-17A: secukinumab, ixekizumab**
- **Small molecules (non-biologic)**
  - **JAK inhibitor: tofacitinib, baricitinib, upadacitinib, deucravacitinib**

# RA is risk factor for NTM



NTM risk among RA 4.1 X higher (Taiwan)



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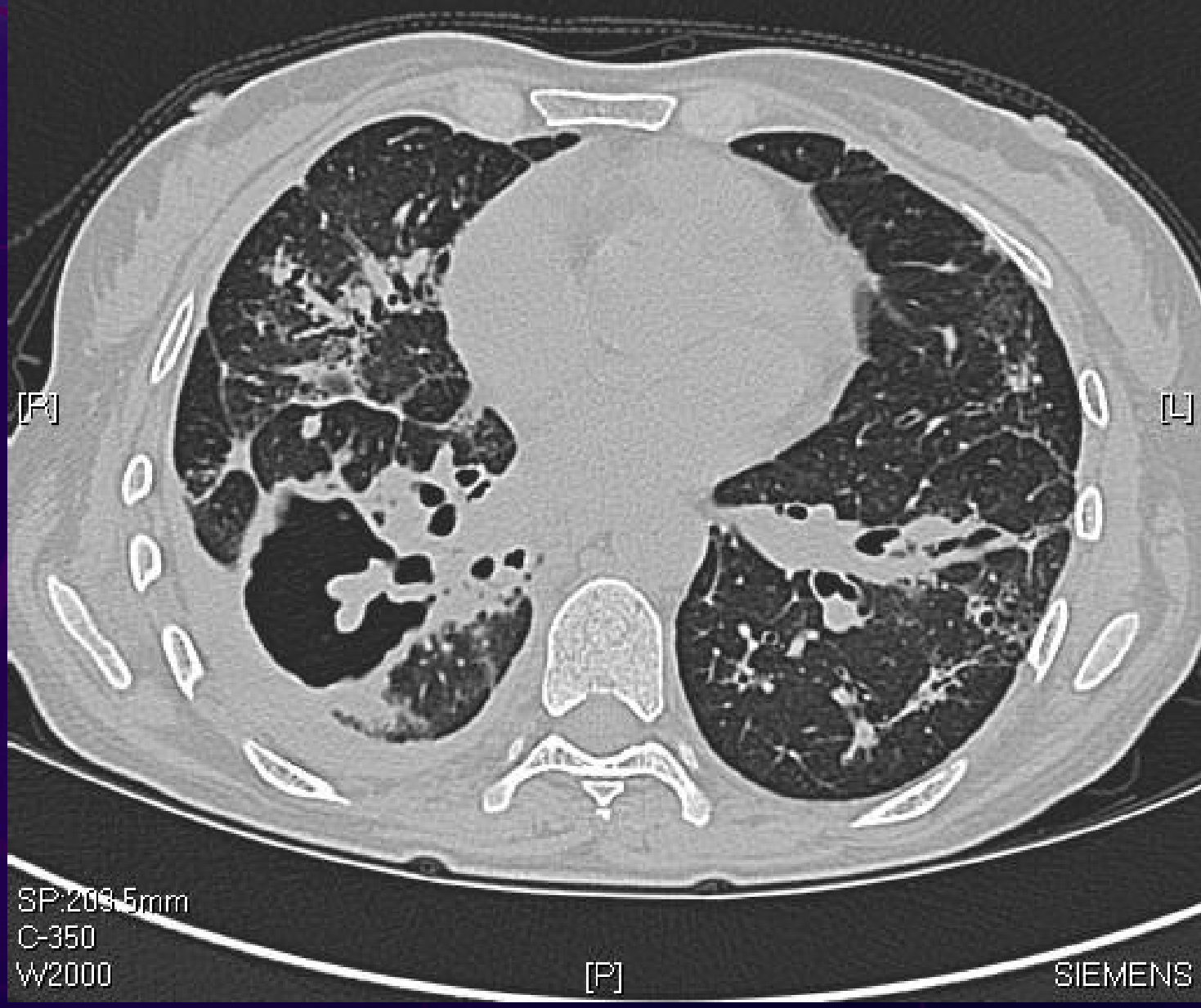
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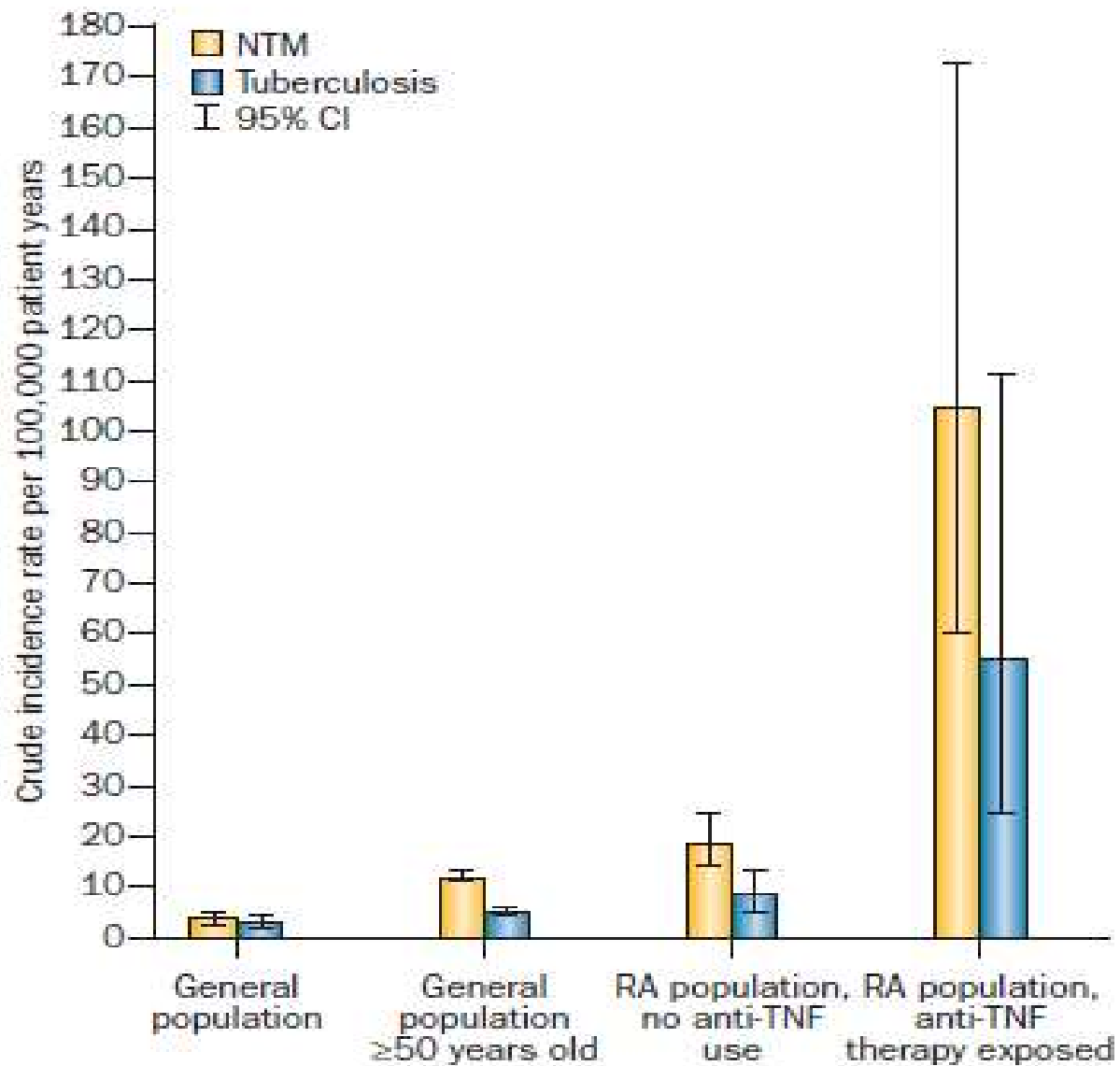


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**Figure 2**



# FDA MedWatch Anti-TNF therapy NTM Cases

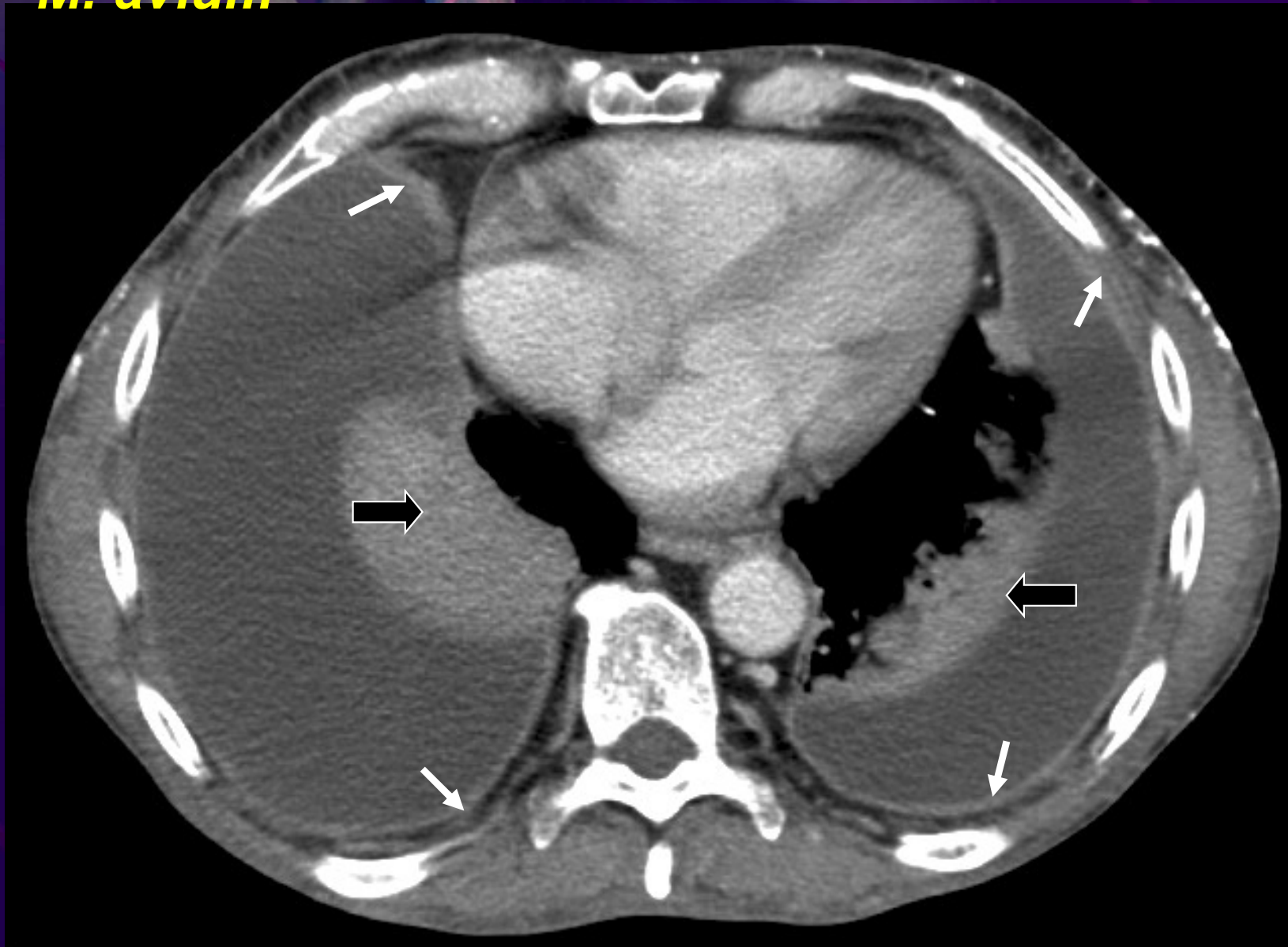
	<u>Pulmonary (n=59)</u>	<u>Extrapulmonary (n=46)</u>
<i>M. avium</i>	43 (73%)	9 (20%) <sup>+</sup>
RGM*	6 (10%)	15 (33%) <sup>+</sup>
Age (years)	61	63
Sex (female)	41 (73%)	25 (54%) <sup>+</sup>
RA <sup>±</sup>	48 (81%)	25 (54%) <sup>+</sup>
Infliximab	40 (68%)	33 (72%)
Etanercept	13 (22%)	12 (26)%

<sup>+</sup>p value < 0.05 for comparison between pulmonary and extrapulmonary disease

\*Rapidly growing mycobacteria (RGM)

<sup>±</sup>Rheumatoid arthritis (RA)

55 year old male, dermatomyositis, rituximab,  
*M. avium*

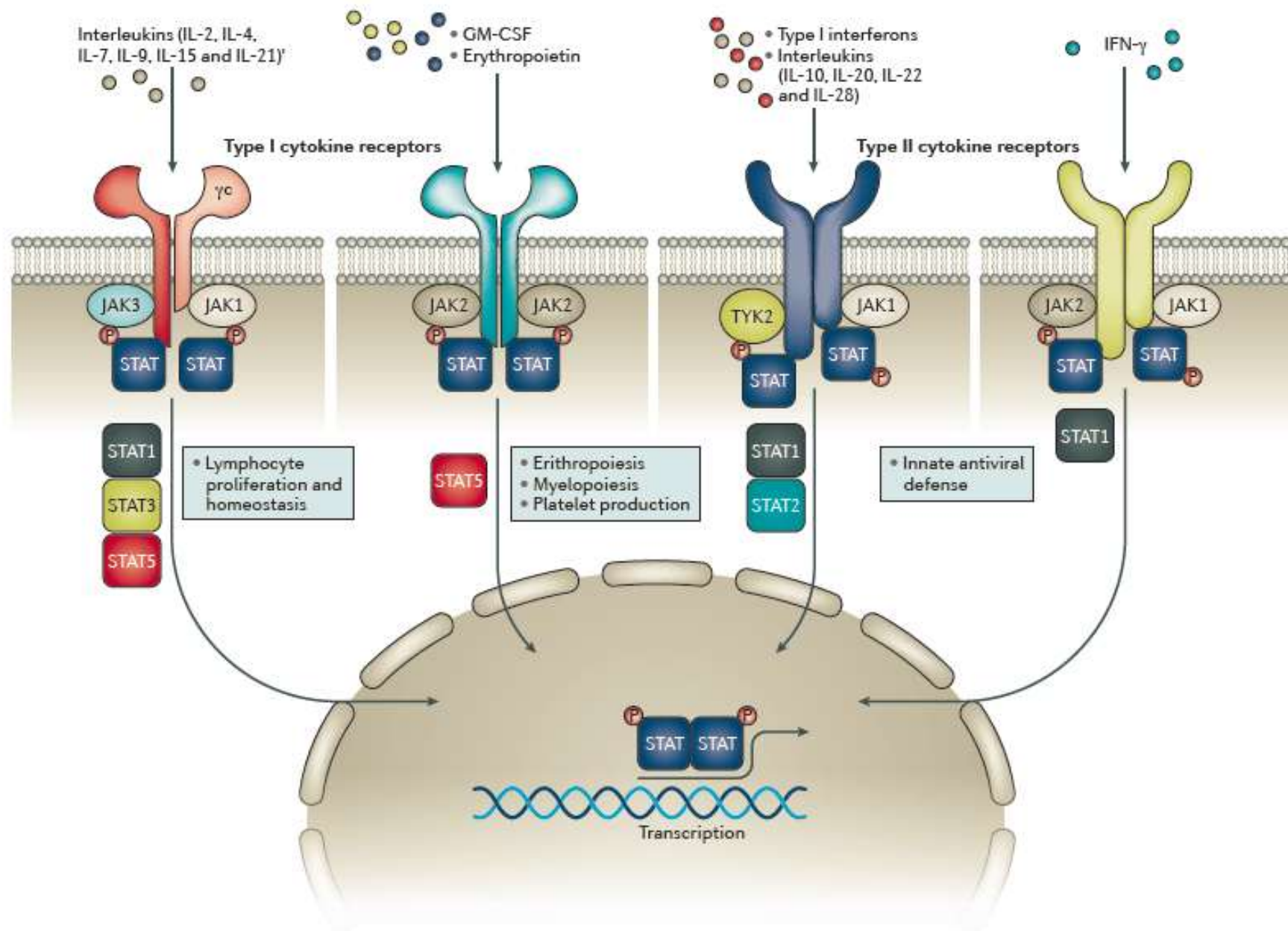


Contrast enhanced chest CT showing bilateral pleural effusions with extensive pleural enhancement (white arrows) and passive atelectasis (black arrows)




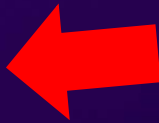
**32 year old, myositis, rituximab, disseminated M. Kansasii forearm nodules**







# Tofacitinib and “Opportunistic” Infections (P2P3LTE)

- 60 OIs reported (IR 0.46/100 pys [0.36-0.59])
  - TB (n=26) 
  - PCP (n=4)
  - CMV (n=6)
  - Candida Esophagitis (n=9)
  - Cryptococcus (n=3)
  - Pulmonary NTM (n=2) 
  - HZ, multi-dermatomal (n=8)
  - BK encephalopathy (n=1)
  - Toxoplasmosis (n=1)

# Tofa Diminishes NK Cell Activation

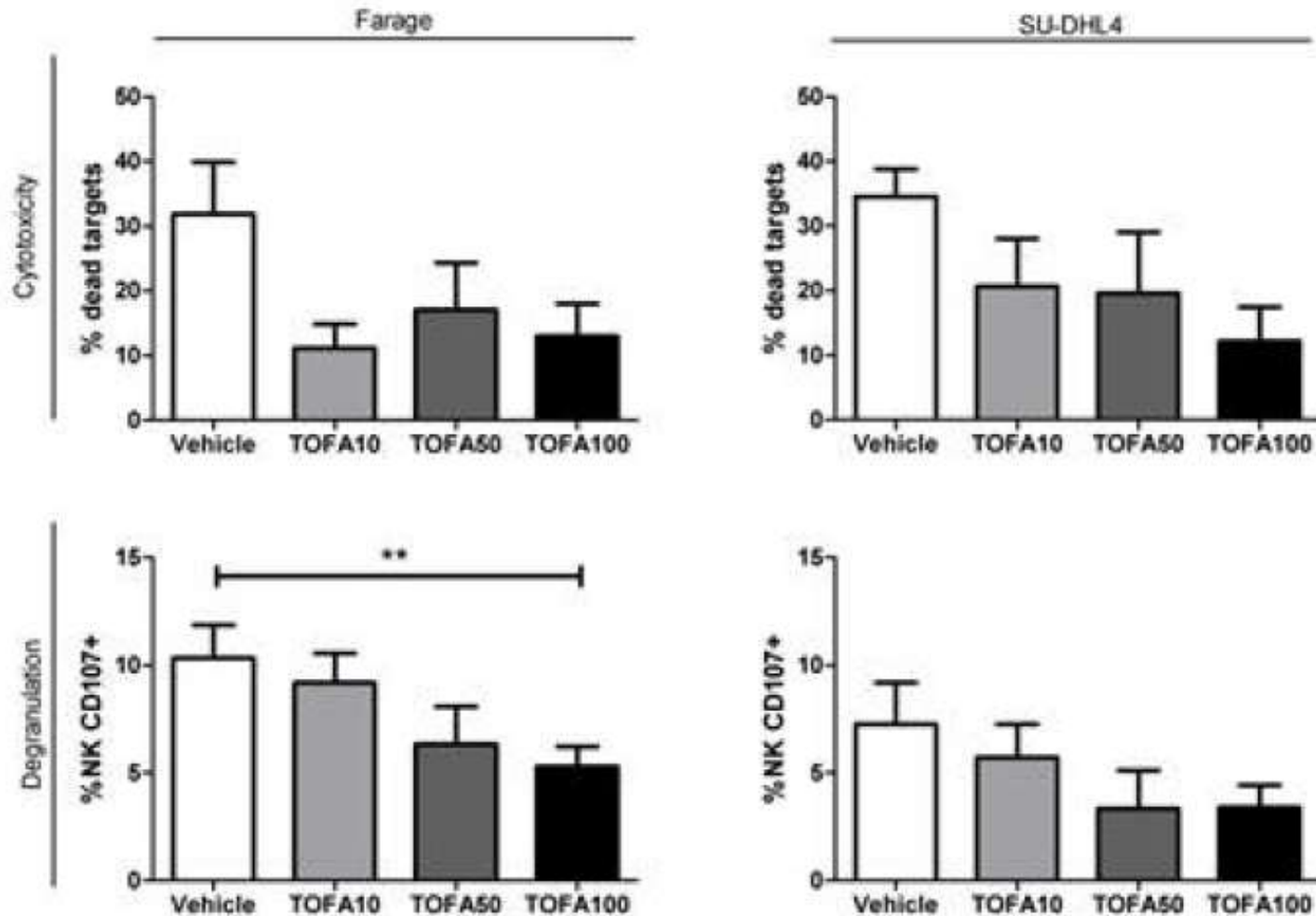
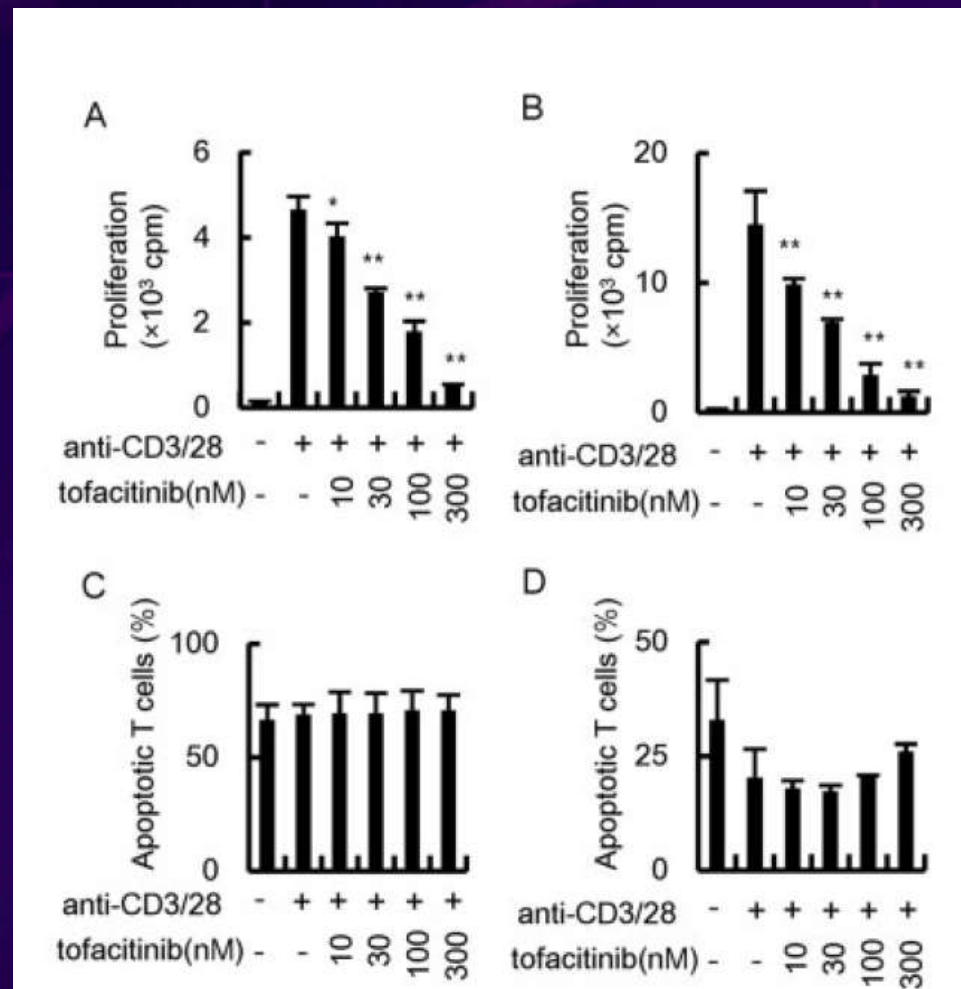


Figure 2: Anti lymphoma activity of tofacitinib exposed NK cells (\*\*: p<0.01).



# Tofa Inhibits CD4 Proliferation in RA Patients



**Figure 1.** Tofacitinib inhibits proliferation of CD4<sup>+</sup> T cells derived from the synovium and peripheral blood of patients with rheumatoid arthritis (RA), without cell toxicity. Synovial (A and C) and peripheral blood (B and D) CD4<sup>+</sup> T cells were stimulated with anti-CD3/anti-CD28 antibodies in the presence of increasing doses of tofacitinib. A and B, To analyze cell proliferation, cells were pulsed with <sup>3</sup>H-

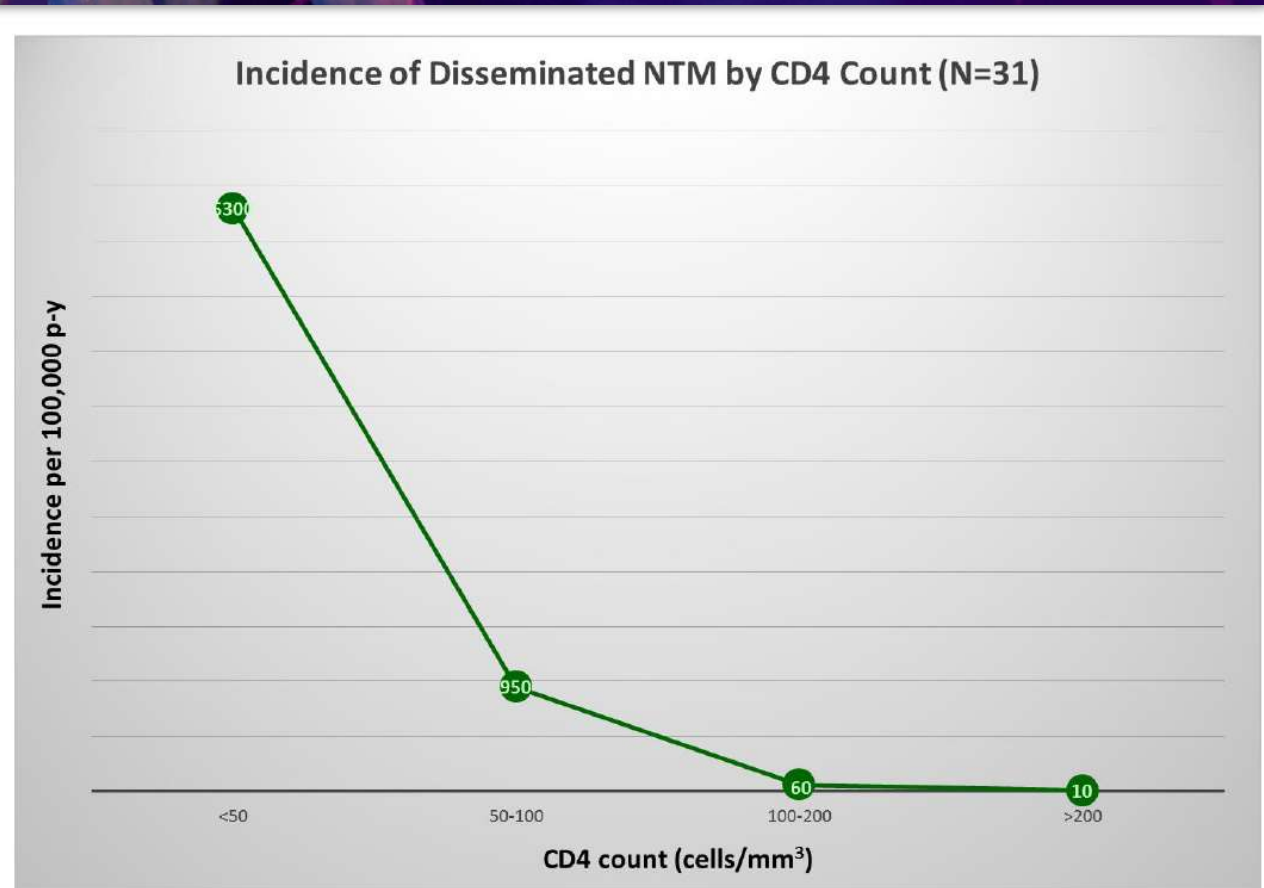
# Disseminated NTM in HIV

## Annual Incidence of Disseminated NTM (N=37)

Incidence per 100,000 person-years (95% Poisson Confidence Interval)

2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
110 (40-250)	200 (100-370)	50 (10-160)	130 (50-260)	70 (20-180)	110 (40-230)

# Disseminated MAC in HIV



Incidence by CD4 Count Closest to Disseminated NTM Diagnosis Date (cells/mm<sup>3</sup>)  
per 100,000 p-y (95% Poisson Confidence Interval)

< 50	50-100	100-200	> 200
5300	950	60	10
(3360-7950)	(310-2210)	(0-310)	(0-30)

# MAC Therapeutic Options

- In immunosuppressed host
  - **Treatment almost always (over observation)**
  - Macrolide, rifampin, ethambutol
  - Amikacin (IV or inhaled), clofazimine
  - Length of therapy variable (dictated by disease type and immune system)
  - No macrolide monotherapy
  - Daily (not TIW. My opinion)



# NTM in HIV

- Disseminated MAC
- GI route of infection
- Less frequent in HAART era
- Related issues
  - Clofazimine = might increase mortality (do not use!)
  - Rifabutin dose adjustment with PI
  - Immune reconstitution inflammatory syndrome (IRIS)

TABLE 7. REGIMENS FOR TREATMENT AND PREVENTION OF DISSEMINATED *MYCOBACTERIUM AVIUM* IN HIV-INFECTED PATIENTS

Preferred (A, I)*	Alternative (B, I)*
Treatment	
Clarithromycin 500 mg orally twice daily + Ethambutol 15 mg/kg orally daily ± Rifabutin <sup>†</sup> 300 mg orally daily	Azithromycin 500 mg daily  Ethambutol 15 mg/kg daily  Rifabutin <sup>†</sup> 300–450 mg orally daily
Prevention <sup>‡</sup>	
Azithromycin 1,200 mg orally weekly	Clarithromycin 500 mg orally twice daily or Rifabutin <sup>†</sup> 300 mg orally daily

\* For evidence quality, see Table 1.

<sup>†</sup> Rifabutin dose may need to be modified based on drug–drug interactions (see text).

<sup>‡</sup> Preventive therapy indicated for persons with < 50 CD4<sup>+</sup> cells/μl; may stop if > 100 cells/μl.

# *M. chelonae* in cancer patient





# RGM Therapy

- *M. chelonae*

- Macrolides, FQ, linezolid
- IV drugs include aminoglycosides, imipenem, ceftazidime, tigecycline
- **Note: tobramycin is best for *M. chelonae***

- *M. fortuitum*

- Macrolides, FQ, linezolid, bactrim, doxy (50%)
- IV drugs include aminoglycosides, imipenem, ceftazidime, tigecycline

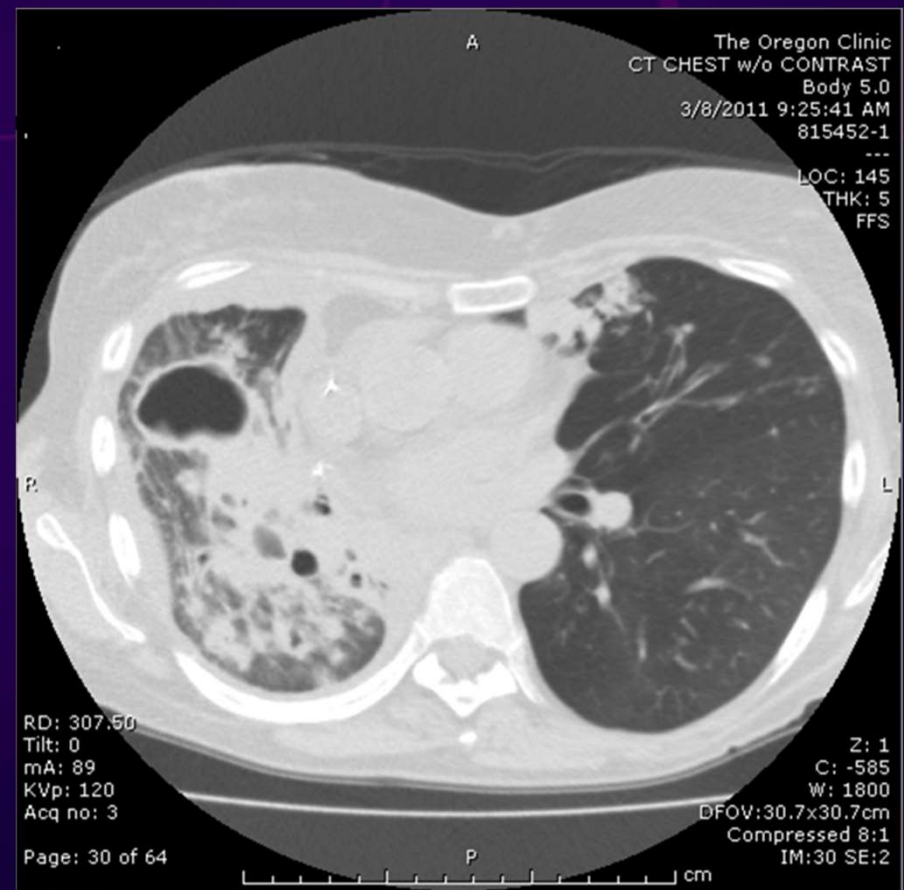
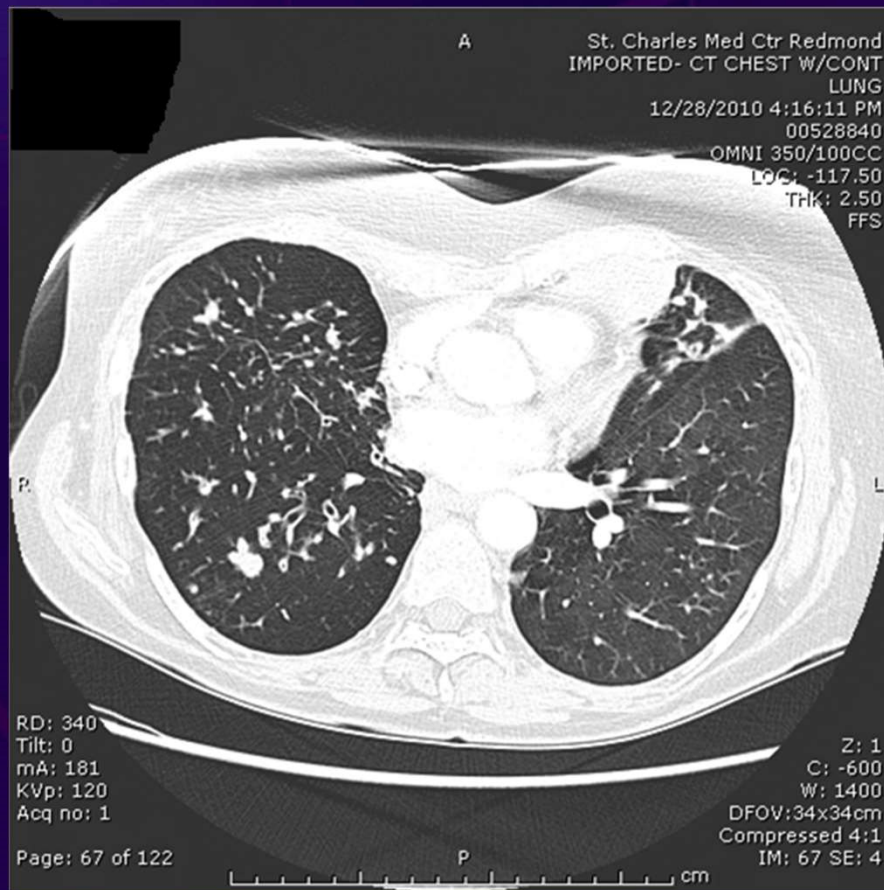
Length of treatment for disseminated infection

3 drugs (including 1 IV) X 4-6 months

*Depends on immunosuppression reversal*

# Rapidly Progressive Disease

10 weeks while on therapy







# IRIS

- **Similar phenomenon as seen with TB (or other opportunistic infection)**
- **Incidence is variable**
  - **5% of TNF-associated NTM cases**
- **Diagnosis of exclusion**
- **Can be clinically devastating**
- **Management with high dose prednisone**
  - **Anti-TNF therapy if needed**

# *M. abscessus* Therapy

- “Cure” = more difficult
- Limited antibiotic options based upon susceptibility testing
- Parenteral agents
  - Tigecycline 50mg daily
  - Cefoxitin 2gm TID,
  - Imipenam 1000mg BID
  - Amikacin 10mg/kg TIW

# Omadacycline, in Phase 2



## One Center's Experience with Omadacycline for the Treatment of *Mycobacterium Abscessus* Infections

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### RATIONALE

- Mycobacterium abscessus* complex organisms are difficult to treat human pathogens that cause pulmonary and systemic disease
- Unfortunately, oral treat options are limited
- Omadacycline, an oral tetracycline analog, has been shown to demonstrate in vitro activity against *M. abscessus*
- This study sought to report efficacy, safety, and tolerability of this drug in the treatment of *M. abscessus* infections at our center

### METHODS

- Retrospective chart review of all adult patients in our non-tuberculous mycobacterial disease clinic were screened
- Patients with confirmed diagnosis of *M. abscessus* infection and prescription of Omadacycline as part of directed antimicrobial regimen through December 31, 2021 were included (n = 36)
- Demographic data, relevant medical history, NTM history, and radiographic and microbiologic data (including organism subspecies and drug susceptibility testing to key antimicrobials) were recorded at time of Omadacycline initiation (baseline)
- Therapeutic drug monitoring parameters were recorded and baseline and monthly thereafter
- Descriptive statistics were performed

Age (years), mean ± SD	61.4 ± 15.9
Sex: Female, n (%)	23 (64%)
Race, n (%)	
• White/Caucasian	31 (86%)
• African American	4 (11%)
• Non-white Hispanic	1 (3%)
Insurance Coverage, n (%)	
• Private	
• Medicare	
• Medicaid	
Body Mass Index (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	22.8 ± 5.7
Pertinent Medical History at Time of NTM Diagnosis	
Pulmonary Disease, n (%)	21 (58%)
Other Key Diagnoses	
• Chronic Kidney Disease, n (%)	7 (19%)
• Connective Tissue Disease, n (%)	5 (14%)
• Immune Deficiency, n (%)	2 (6%)
• Transplant Recipient, n (%)	6 (17%)

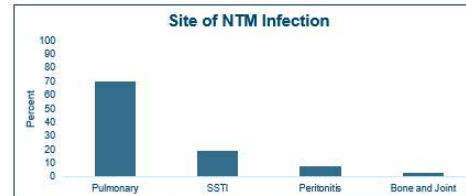


Figure X. Distribution of site of *M. abscessus* infection

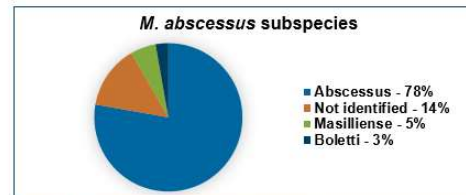


Figure X. Distribution of *M. abscessus* subspecies

Any Adverse Event During Treatment Period, n (%)	15 (42%)
Adverse Events Attributed to Omadacycline	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gastrointestinal Issue: Nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, esophagitis</li> <li>Abnormal hepatic function: Transaminitis, hyperbilirubinemia</li> <li>Anemia</li> <li>Eosinophilia</li> <li>Rash</li> </ul>	
Action Taken Related to Adverse Event	
Omadacycline Drug Cessation	8 (22%)
Prescription of Other Therapies to Mitigate AE	6 (17%)

### RESULTS

Duration of Treatment (months), mean ± SD	6.08 ± 5.29
Rationale for Use	
• Initial Therapy, n (%)	3 (8%)
• Transition from IV Tigecycline, n (%)	22 (61%)
• Treatment Refractory Disease, n (%)	7 (19%)
• Intolerance to Other NTM Therapy, n (%)	10 (28%)
Treatment Discontinued, n (%)	22 (61%)
Rationale for Therapy Discontinuation	
Microbiologic Cure, n (%)	9 (25%)
Adverse Event or Intolerance, n (%)	9 (25%)
Treatment Cost Prohibitive, n (%)	1 (3%)
Death, n (%)	3 (8%)

Susceptibility to amikacin (average MIC)	12.8
Susceptibility to tigecycline (average MIC)	1.0
Inducible macrolide resistance present, n (%)	19 (53%)

Bronchiectasis, n (%)	22 (61%)
Nodules, n (%)	25 (69%)
Cavitary Disease, n (%)	8 (22%)

### CONCLUSIONS

- Omadacycline was generally well tolerated and demonstrated therapeutic efficacy with microbiologic cure in 25% of subjects and ongoing therapy in 56% of subjects
- This drug shows promise, particularly in isolates with macrolide resistance and in hosts with contraindication to other standard systemic therapies
- We are currently analyzing multi-center data collected in collaboration with NTM centers at NIH, NJH, NYU, and OHSU



# Erythromycin Methylase Gene *erm*(41)

TABLE 3. TREATMENT RESPONSES FOR PATIENTS WITH *MYCOBACTERIUM ABSCESSUS* AND *MYCOBACTERIUM MASSILIENSE* LUNG DISEASE

	<i>M. abscessus</i> (n = 24)	<i>M. massiliense</i> (n = 33)	P Value
Symptomatic response			0.040
Improved	18 (75%)	32 (97%)	
Unchanged	4 (17%)	1 (3%)	
Worsened	2 (8%)	—	
Radiographic response on HRCT			0.003
Improved	10 (42%)	27 (82%)	
Unchanged	7 (29%)	5 (15%)	
Worsened	7 (29%)	1 (3%)	
Microbiologic response			<0.001
Initial sputum conversion and maintenance of conversion	6 (25%)	29 (88%)	
Initial sputum conversion, with sputum relapse	4 (17%)	3 (9%)	
Failure to sputum conversion	14 (58%)	1 (3%)	

Definition of abbreviation: HRCT = high-resolution computed tomography.



# Amikacin Resistance (MAI)

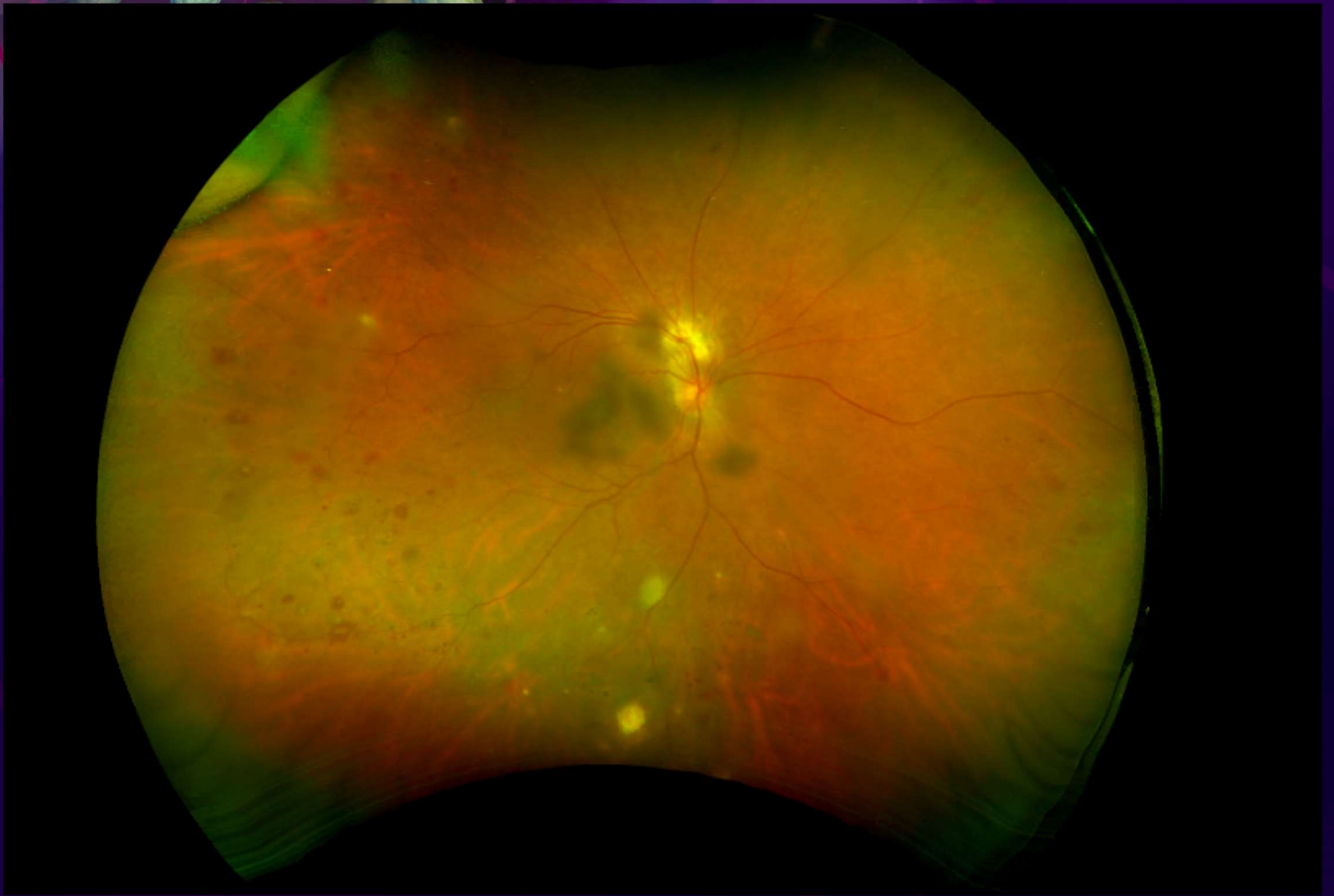
Initial amikacin MIC ( $\mu\text{g/ml}$ )	No. of isolates	Cumulative % of isolates
<1	7	1.5
2	18	5.4
4	57	17.7
8	144	48.9
16	171	85.9
32	46	95.9
64	9	97.8
>64	10	100

**16S RNA gene  
A1408G  
mutation**

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<sup>a</sup> These data were determined with the CLSI-approved broth microdilution method (4).

<sup>b</sup> MIC mode, 16  $\mu\text{g/ml}$ ; MIC<sub>50</sub>, 16  $\mu\text{g/ml}$ ; MIC<sub>90</sub>, 32  $\mu\text{g/ml}$ .



# *M. chimaera*

## **Transmission of *Mycobacterium chimaera* from Heater–Cooler Units during Cardiac Surgery despite an Ultraclean Air Ventilation System**

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**Table 1. Published Cases of *Mycobacterium chimaera* Infection Related to the Heater–Cooler Unit**

Outbreak Location/N/Citation	Latency		Mortality (%)
	Surgery to Symptoms	Symptoms to Diagnosis	
Europe/10/[7]	Median, 18 months	Median, 21 (5–40 months)	5/10 (50)
United Kingdom/30/[28]	Median, 14.5 months (range, 1.5–60 months)	Median, 7 weeks	18/30 (60)
Germany/5/[17]	Range, 5–60 months	NR	1/5 (20)
Pennsylvania/8/[26]	NR	Median, 1.2 years (1–27 months)	5/8 (63)
United States/24/[25]	NR	Mean, 1.6 years (range, 0.1–6.3 years)	11/24 (46)
New York/2/[31]	NR	Mean, 14.5 months (range, 12–17 months)	0
Montreal, Canada/2/[21]	Range, 13–16 months	Additional 2–3 months from presentation	0
Florida/1/[24]	72 months	NR	0
Minnesota/3/[22]	Range, 16–26 months	NR	2/3 (67)
Italy/1/[27]	14 months	12 months	0

Abbreviation: NR, not reported.

**Up to 3.3 years**

**Up to 6 years**

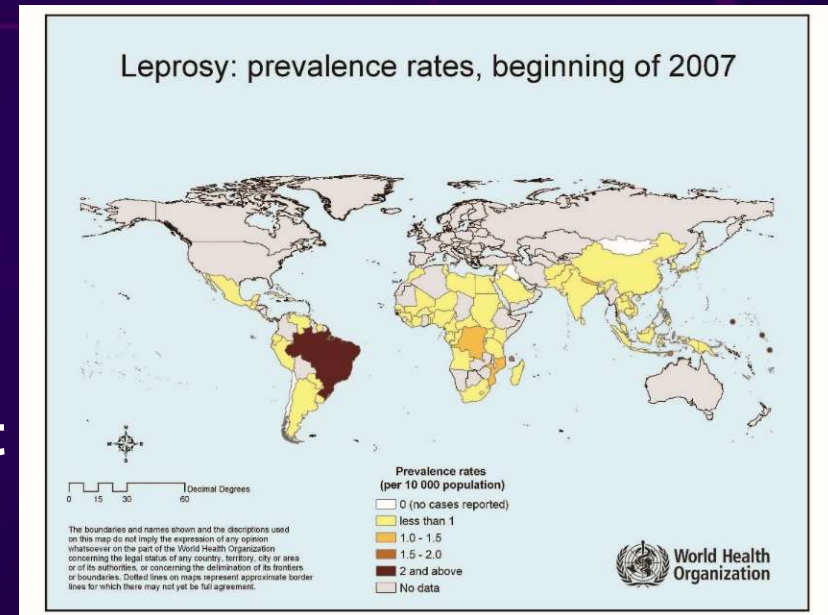
**Up to 67%**

# Disseminated Chimaera

- **Remove implanted material if possible**
- **AZI/EMB/RIF plus Amikacin/Clofaz**
- **Outcomes are poor**
  - **50% mortality or higher**

# Hansen's Disease (Leprosy)

- Rare in US (40-50 cases per year)
  - Armadillos and gulf region
  - Rest imported
- Most humans resistant
  - Household contacts at risk (low risk)
  - Nasopharyngeal transmission?
- *M. leprae* does not grow in culture





# Leprosy Disease Classification

- Paucibacillary (PB)
  - Most common form
    - *“Tuberculoid”*
    - Bacillary load < 1 million
    - Skin biopsy: AFB negative
    - ≤5 skin lesions
- Multibacillary (MB)
  - *“Lepromatous”*
  - Massive bacillary load
  - Skin biopsy: Floridly positive for AFB
  - >5 skin lesions.







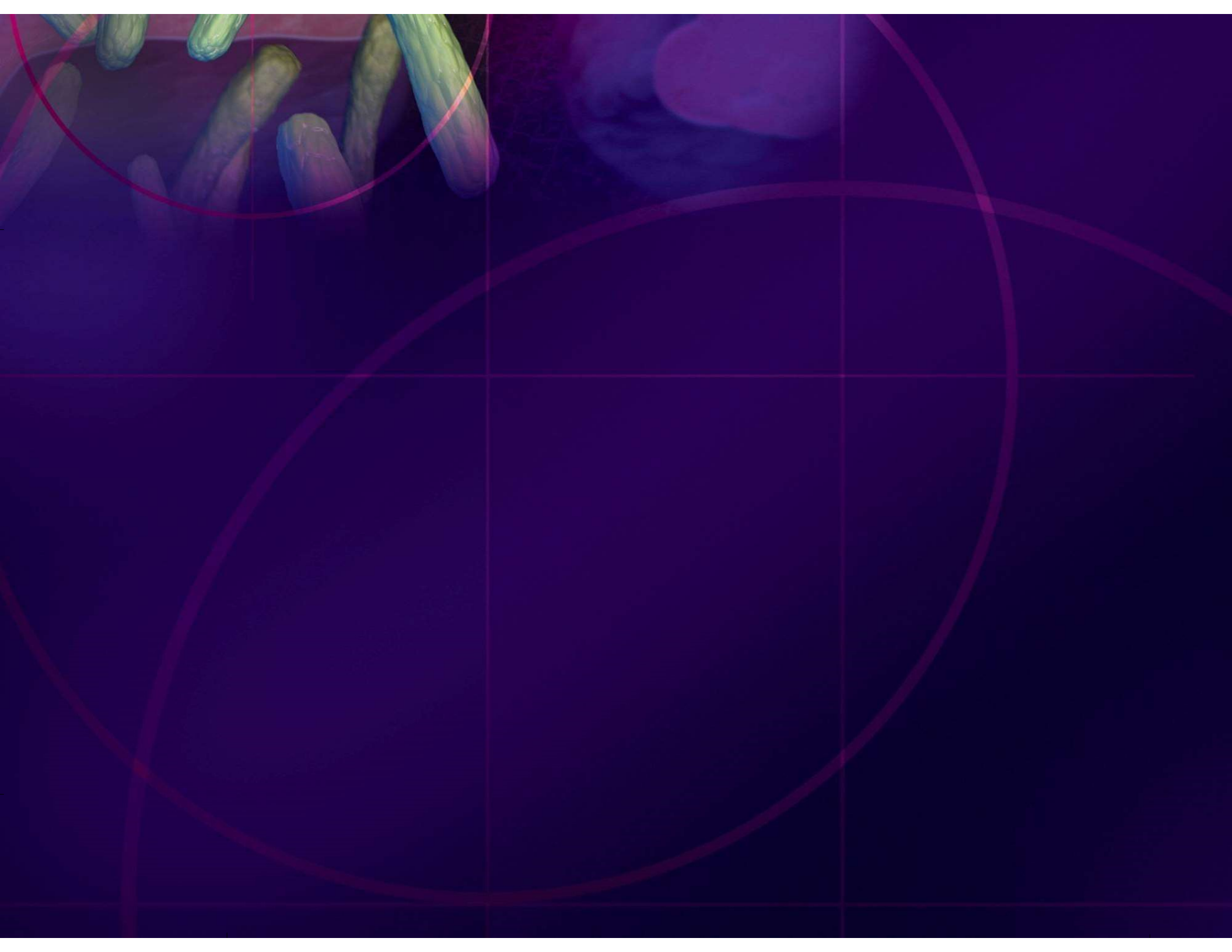
# Leprosy Treatment

- **PB (6-12 months)**
  - Dapsone 100mg daily
  - Clofazimine 50mg daily
  - \*Rifampin 600mg once monthly
  - (US guidelines are daily RIF and no Clofaz for 12 months)
- **MB (12-24 months)**
  - Dapsone 100mg daily
  - Clofazimine 50mg daily
  - Rifampin 600mg daily

*Complications: reversal reactions, erythema nodosum  
Treat with prednisone, thalidomide, other*

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# Tigecycline

- **Efficacy unknown**
  - **Disease stabilization**
- **Use limited by severe nausea and vomiting**
  - **CF kids versus elderly**
- **50mg once daily**
  - **Pre-treat zofran or other anti-emetic**

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# Omadacycline



# Drug-Drug Interactions

- **Rifampin**
  - Beta-blockers, Levothyroxine, CA<sup>2+</sup> blockers, warfarin
  - Tacrolimus, steroids, cyclosporin
  - Azoles, Protease inhibitors, FQs
- **Azithromycin**
  - Digoxin, warfarin
- **Clarithromycin has many of the above**
- **QT issue**
  - Clari/azi, FQs, Bedaquiline, Clofaz, others





# Clofazimine

- **Must get from FDA**
  - **Investigational New Drug application**
- **Leprosy and MDR-TB**
- **NTM?**
  - **Experience in HIV patients with MAC**
  - **Immunosuppressive versus antimicrobial effects**
  - **Possible synergism with amikacin**
  - **GI intolerance and reversible tan**





# Linezolid

- **Drug developed for Staph (MRSA) and other gram positives**
  - **Has anti-mycobacterial activity**
  - **NTM efficacy unknown**
- **600mg once daily**
- **100mg B6**
  - **Cytopenias**
  - **Peripheral neuropathy**
  - **Optic neuritis**

# Discontinuation Due to Linezolid-attributed Adverse Events

