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Evaluation of the Invitro Antibacterial activity of Cefepime on a number of medically important bacteria in Tabriz Pediatrics Medical Center

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Abstract: Cefepime is a semi-synthetic, broad spectrum, cephalosporin antibiotic for parenteral administration. Cefepime is a bactericidal agent that acts by inhibition of bacterial cell wall synthesis. It has a broad spectrum of In vitro activity against wide range of gram positive and gram-negative bacteria. In a prospective study 100 of bacterial species were studied by a susceptibility test by disk diffusion (Kirby-Bauer) in Tabriz Pediatric Medical Center. This study compares inhibitory effect of cefepime with that of Penicillin, Chloramphenicol, Ampicillin, Cotrimoxazol, Gentamycin, Cefotaxime, Vancomycin, Ciprofloxacin, Ceftriaxone, Amikacin and Erythromycin on Klebsiella pneumoniae, Staphylococci coagulase negative, Pseudomonas aeruginosa, Staphylococcus aureus, Serratia marcescens, Salmonella Sp, Enterobacter cloacae, Proteus mirabilis, Acinetobacter Sp and Streptococcus Sp. During 6 month in 100 bacterial strains (clinical isolated), the resistance to cefepime on Pseudomonas aeruginosa (100%), Klebsiella pneumoniae (46%), Staphylococcus aureus (40%), Staphylococci coagulase negative (40%), Enterobacter cloacae (40%), Acinetobacter sp (30%), Proteus mirabilis (20%), E.coli (6%), Streptococcus non group A (0%) Serratia marcescens (0%), Salmonella non typhi (0%) were respectively. The In vitro inhibitory effect of cefepime on Pseudomonas aeruginosa was found to be less than other bacteria, Whereas Streptococcus SP, Serratia marcescens, Salmonella and E.coli was more sensitive to cefepime. The inhibitory effect of cefepime on bacterial isolations and it's comparison with other antibiotics demonstrate a broad spectrum of activity of cefepime. And the resistant bacterial strains were developed against this antibiotic in this area.

Key words: Cefepime, Susceptibility test, Drug resistant, Cephalosporin.

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	N:	FEP	SXT	GM	Am	CTX	V	CP	CRO	AN	E	C	P
STCN	10	4	NT	4	8	3	1	2	5	1	6	2	9
P.aeruginosa	10	10	10	4	10	9	NT	5	9	5	NT	5	NT
K.pneumoniae	15	7	12	13	15	10	NT	1	10	6	NT	9	NT
E.coli	15	1	3	3	14	0	NT	0	3	0	NT	0	NT
S.aureus	15	6	NT	6	15	6	·	3	6	3	6	6	15
S.marcescens	5	0	4	0	5	0	NT	0	0	0	NT	0	5
Salmonella Sp	5	0	0	0	5	0	NT	0	0	0	NT	0	NT
E.agglomerans	5	2	5	5	5	2	NT	4	2	0	NT	2	NT
Proteus mirabilis	10	2	2	1	4	0	NT	0	1	0	NT	0	NT
Acinetobacter Sp	6	2	5	5	4	0	NT	0	0	0	NT	5	NT
Streptococci non A	4	0	NT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	100	34		41	85	30		17	36	15		29	

N: Number of bacteria, NT = Not Tested, FEP (30µg) = Cefepime, SXT (25µg) = Co-trimoxazol, GM (10µg) = Gentamycin, Am (10µg) = Ampicillin, CTX (30µg) = Cefotaxime, V (30mcg) = Vancomycin, CP (5µg) = Ciprofloxacin, CRO (30µg) = Ceftriaxone, AN (30µg) = Amikacin, E (15mcg) = Erythromycin, C (30µg) = Chloramphenicol, P (10u) = Penicillin

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