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Research Note

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4 Application of the BioFire FilmArray Blood Culture Identification Panel for Rapid

5 Identification of the Causative Agents of Ventilator Associated Pneumonia

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41 **Abstract**

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43 **Objective.** The objective of this study was to evaluate the ability of the BioFire
44 FilmArray Blood Culture Identification (BCID) Panel to rapidly detect pathogens
45 producing late-onset ventilator-associated pneumonia (VAP), a severe infection often
46 produced by Gram negative bacteria. These microorganisms are frequently multidrug
47 resistant (MDR) and typically require broad spectrum empiric treatment.

48 **Methods.** In this study, in the context of an international multicenter clinical trial
49 (Magic Bullet), respiratory samples were collected at the time of suspicion of VAP from
50 165 patients in 32 participating hospitals in Spain, Greece and Italy. Microorganisms
51 were identified using the BCID Panel and compared with results obtained by
52 conventional microbiologic techniques.

53 **Results.** *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Acinetobacter baumannii* and *Klebsiella*
54 *pneumoniae* were the most commonly identified species, representing 54.7% (70/128)
55 of microorganisms. The BCID Panel showed high global specificity and negative
56 predictive values (98.1% and 96.6%, respectively) and a global sensitivity and positive
57 predictive value of 78.6% and 87.3%, respectively for these microorganisms.
58 Importantly, the BCID Panel provided results in only one hour directly from respiratory
59 samples with minimal sample processing times.

60 **Conclusions.** For these reasons, the BCID Panel could have clinically utility in rapidly
61 ruling out causative microorganisms causing VAP, specifically MDR-Gram negative
62 species, which could facilitate the optimization of empiric treatment in these patients.

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65 bacteria, rapid diagnosis, antibiotic resistance

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67 **Introduction**

68 Ventilator associated pneumonia (VAP) is one of the most common causes of
69 infection and death in intensive care units [1]. Bacterial identification in clinical
70 respiratory samples typically requires 24-48 hours, during which patients receive
71 empirical therapy. Inappropriate or delayed treatment of VAP leads to a poorer
72 prognosis and higher mortality [2, 3]. Thus, the rapid availability of microbiologic
73 testing results could positively impact patient outcomes. The FilmArray Blood Culture
74 Identification (BCID) panel, which is able to identify 24 different microorganisms and
75 the resistance genes, *K. pneumoniae* carbapenemase (KPC), *mecA* and *vanA/B*, has
76 potential to facilitate point-of-care testing and provide results in one hour. The BCID
77 panel has shown high sensitivity with blood cultures [4-7], and high concordance with
78 conventional microbiologic methods with other types of samples [8]. However, no study
79 has evaluated the BCID Panel in suspected cases of VAP in a large prospective study.

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81 **Methods**

82 Samples were obtained during the Magic Bullet clinical trial, a study funded by
83 the European Commission that evaluated meropenem and levofloxacin versus colistin
84 and levofloxacin as empiric therapies in patients with suspected VAP from 32 hospitals
85 in Italy, Greece and Spain. The study protocol has been described [9] and registered at
86 ClinicalTrials.gov (identifier: NCT01292031) and EudraCT (identifier: 2010-023310-
87 31). Respiratory samples included endotracheal/bronchial aspirates and bronchoalveolar
88 lavage fluid. The entire clinical sample (for all sample types) was mixed with 1 ml of
89 0.5% N-acetylcysteine to reduce the viscosity. Half of each NAC-treated sample was
90 used for routine processing by the clinical microbiology service at the participating
91 hospital using automated biochemical identification, and qualitative results of cultures

92 were used for analysis. All clinically relevant bacterial isolates were sent to the
93 University Hospital Virgen Macarena for independent identification by culture followed
94 by MALDI-TOF (Biotyper 2.0 database; Bruker Daltonics) and to the Biomedical
95 Institute of Seville for KPC gene detection after bacterial culture. An aliquot of (0.5 ml)
96 of the NAC-treated sample was mixed with 0.5 ml of Freezing Solution (Luria-Bertani
97 broth + 30% glycerol), frozen and sent to the Biomedical Institute of Seville. The
98 freezing solution was optimized to permit the freezing and thawing of clinical isolates
99 with less than 10% loss of viable bacteria during storage at -80°C for six months (data
100 not shown).

101 For analysis, frozen samples were thawed, and 200 µl were mixed with 200 µl of
102 0.5% N-acetylcysteine to reduce viscosity. Subsequently, 300 µl of the mix was diluted
103 in 0.5 ml of BCID Sample Buffer of which 300 µl (corresponding to 28.1 µl of the
104 original clinical sample) was injected into the BCID sample pouch. In order to compare
105 the results obtained with the BCID Panel in the detection of KPC to previously
106 described methods, the method described by Poirel *et al.* in which the KPC gene is
107 detected by PCR was employed [10]. Genomic DNA was extracted from overnight
108 cultures of all Gram negative isolates and used for the PCR.

109 The sensitivity, specificity, positive predictive value (PPV) and negative
110 predictive value (NPV) of the BCID Panel were determined by comparison to the
111 results obtained by MALDI-TOF. Results for KPC detection from the BCID Panel were
112 compared to results obtained by PCR, and for *mecA*, results were compared to results
113 obtained from susceptibility testing. For all patients sampled and included in the
114 present study, how the BCID Panel results could have changed the management of
115 empirical therapy was evaluated. Treatment changes that could have been undertaken

116 upon applying the results of the BCID Panel were determined for each patient according
117 to published guidelines [11].

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119 **Results**

120 A total of 180 samples were collected from 165 patients upon suspicion of VAP
121 (for 15 patients, one sample was taken from each lung during the same episode of
122 infection). Of these, 167 were analyzed by both MALDI-TOF and the BCID Panel. The
123 main causative microorganisms detected by both techniques were *P. aeruginosa*
124 (21.1%; 27 of 128), *A. baumannii* (18.0%; 23 of 128) and *K. pneumoniae* (15.6%; 20 of
125 128) which represented 54.7% (70/128) of the total, as determined by MALDI-TOF. In
126 the case of BCID Panel, these microorganisms represented 50% (63/126) of the total
127 and 21.4% (27/126), 18.3% (23/126) and 10.3% (13/126), respectively (Table 1).

128 Although results were species specific, high specificity and NPV were observed for
129 most microorganisms. Taking into account only species that are potentially carbapenem
130 resistant as a group (*A. baumannii*, *P. aeruginosa* and *K. pneumoniae*), values were
131 78.6% (95% CI = 70%-88%), 98.1% (95% CI = 96%-100%), 87.3% and 96.6% for
132 sensitivity, specificity, PPV and NPV, respectively. In order to assess the sample type
133 used for analysis on the performance of the BioFire assay, we performed separate
134 analyses for bronchial/endotracheal aspirates and bronchovascular lavage fluid. With
135 bronchial/endotracheal aspirates values were 94.3% (95% CI = 87%-102%), 97.1%
136 (95% CI = 96%-98%), 99.3% and 80.5% for sensitivity, specificity, PPV and NPV,
137 respectively. For bronchoalveolar lavage fluid values were 62.9% (95% CI = 47%-
138 79%), 100% (95% CI = 95%-105%), 92.4% and 100% for sensitivity, specificity, PPV
139 and NPV, respectively

140 A total of 111 Gram-negative isolates were tested for the presence of the KPC
141 gene by both PCR and BCID. The KPC gene was detected in 5 *K. pneumoniae* isolates
142 by conventional PCR, all of which were all detected by the BCID panel. The BCID
143 Panel also detected the KPC gene in 2 additional isolates of *K. pneumoniae*. Methicillin
144 resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* was detected in 5 samples by standard methods. Only 3
145 of these cases were detected by the BCID Panel.

146 How the availability of results from the BCID Panel would have changed
147 empiric therapy was assessed. In this context, 72 patients (48%; 72 of 150) would have
148 received more appropriate therapy. Of these, treatment could be changed to a more
149 appropriate antibiotic in 55 patients (36.7%; 55 of 150) and stopped in 7 patients (4.7%
150 7 of 150). However, in 10 (6.7%; 10 of 150) patients, the BCID Panel results would
151 have indicated less appropriate therapy (Figure 1, Supplemental Table S1).

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153 **Discussion**

154 Rapid identification of microorganisms causing VAP using new molecular
155 methods could facilitate early targeted antibiotic therapy, which may improve patient
156 outcomes [12]. This study represents the first multicenter trial that characterizes the
157 BCID Panel for identifying microorganisms from respiratory samples without additional
158 processing. Different studies have analyzed the BCID Panel using blood cultures, and
159 showed high sensitivity (91-97.5 %) and specificity (77-100 %) [4, 5, 13-15]. Zheng.
160 X. *et al.* described that the panel was able to identify 89.4 % of microorganisms in
161 paediatric blood cultures [6] and Ray *et al.* demonstrated that the use of the BCID Panel
162 would facilitate changes in clinical management of half the children included in the
163 study [7]. Mico *et al.* applied the BCID Panel to other sample types, obtaining a global
164 sensitivity and specificity of 71 % and 97 %, respectively [8]. In the current study, the

165 BCID Panel showed high specificity and NPV, similar to results obtained by Mico *et al.*
166 The results presented here indicate that bacterial identification, and for some species
167 susceptibility testing, can be achieved in as few as one hour directly from clinical
168 samples. This contrasts with conventional culture methods which typically require 12.
169 24 hours for pathogen identification, and an additional 12-24 hours for susceptibility
170 testing. Importantly, the BioFire system is designed for use at the point-of-care, which
171 may facilitate the rapid optimization of antibiotic treatment for severe infections such as
172 VAP.

173 A limitation of the study include the inclusion of heterogeneous sample types
174 (endotracheal/bronchial aspirates and bronchoalveolar lavage fluid), although an
175 analysis of the performance of the BioFire assay based on sample type showed that both
176 endotracheal/bronchial aspirates and bronchoalveolar lavage fluid samples resulted in
177 high specificity and negative predictive values. In addition, only qualitative culture data
178 was used for comparing results of standard culture to the BioFire assay, meaning that
179 cutoff values for diagnosing VAP were not taken into account in the present study.
180 However, the objective of this study was de determine how the rapid availability of
181 qualitative bacterial identification results could affect empiric treatment of VAP. In this
182 context, using qualitative culture as a comparator for the qualitative Biofire assay has
183 utility. It should also be noted that an inherent limitation of multicenter studies that
184 require microbiological samples processing is the presence of differences in protocols
185 employed for bacterial isolation and culturing.

186 In addition, we determined how the BCID Panel could change the selection of
187 empirical therapy regimens. The results obtained in this study show that treatment could
188 be improved in 41.3 % of patients, which could be of importance given the high level of
189 antibiotic resistance in Gram negative species that produce VAP.

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246 **Figure Legends**

247 **Figure 1.** Schematic representing inclusion of samples and changes in antimicrobial
248 treatment that would have been made using the results of the BICD Panel.

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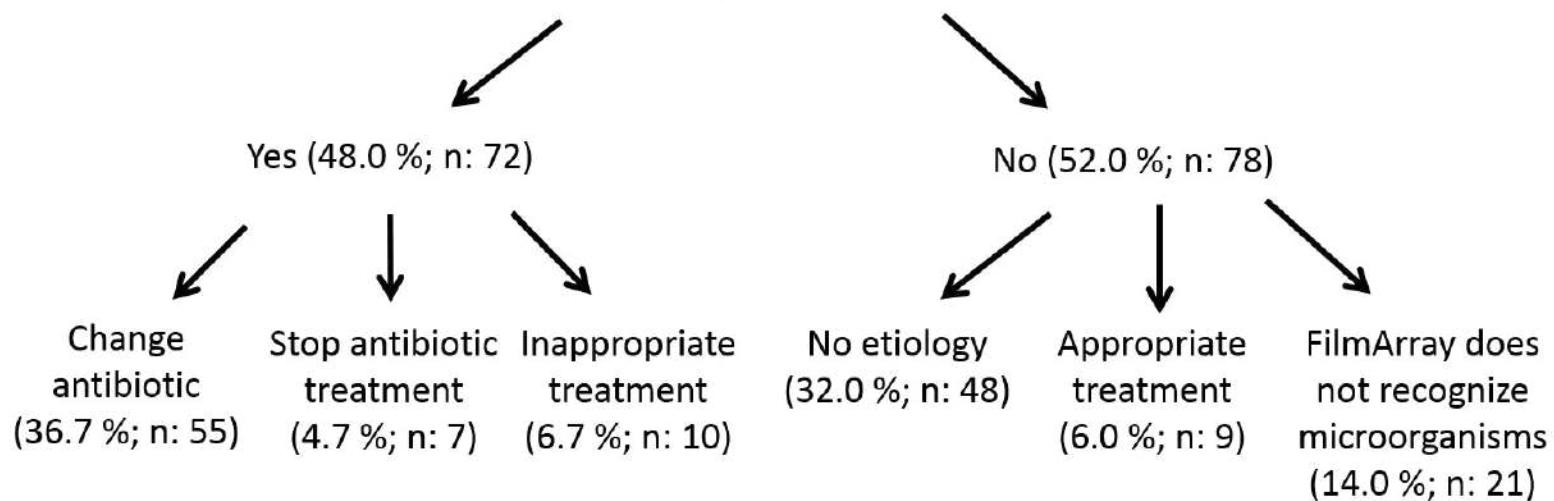
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Microorganism	Positive Samples Gold Standard (n: 128)	Positive Samples FilmArray (Concordant) [n: 126 (85)]	Sensitivity (%)	95% Confidence Interval Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)	95% Confidence Interval Specificity (%)	PPV (%)	NPV(%)
<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	27	27 (24)	88.9	77-101	97.9	95-100	88.9	97.9
<i>A. baumannii</i>	23	23(20)	87.0	73-101	97.9	96-100	87.0	97.9
<i>K. pneumoniae</i>	20	13 (11)	55.0	33-77	98.6	95-103	84.6	94.2
<i>S. aureus</i>	17	22 (12)	70.6	46-92	93.3	91-96	54.6	96.6
<i>E. coli</i>	10	5 (4)	40.0	10-70	99.6	96-102	80.0	96.3
<i>H. influenzae</i>	8	27(5)	75.0	45-105	86.8	85-88	22.2	98.6
<i>E. cloacae</i>	6	2 (2)	33.3	(-4)-71	100	98-102	97.6	100
<i>Proteus spp.</i>	6	4 (4)	66.7	29-104	100	98-102	100	98.8
<i>S. marcescens</i>	6	1 (1)	16.7	(-13)-46	100	97-103	100	97.0
<i>K. oxytoca</i>	5	2 (2)	40.0	(-3)-83	100	98-102	100	98.2

Table 1. Table 1: Sensitivity, specificity, positive predictive value and negative predictive value of the BioFire FilmArray Blood Culture Identification (BCID) Panel compared to MALDI-TOF.

Changes in management following BCID Panel



PATIENT	ETIOLOGY MALDI-TOF	ETIOLOGY FILMARRAY	RANDOMIZED EMPIRIC TREATMENT	EMPIRIC VANCOMYCIN	EMPIRIC LINEZOLID	CHANGE EMPIRIC TREATMENT	TYPE OF CHANGE (1: More appropriate; 2: changeless appropriate; 3: No change)	CAUSE
1	<i>A. baumannii</i>	<i>A. baumannii</i>	Colistin	No	No	Yes	1	Remove levofloxacin
2	<i>A. baumannii</i>	<i>A. baumannii</i>	Colistin	No	No	Yes	1	Remove levofloxacin
3	<i>A. baumannii</i>	<i>A. baumannii</i>	Meropenem	No	No	Yes	1	Remove levofloxacin and change to colistin
4	<i>H. influenzae</i>	<i>Staphylococcus meca -</i> <i>Detected H. influenzae</i>	Meropenem	No	No	Yes	1	Remove levofloxacin and change to ceftriaxone
5	n.d.	n.d.	Meropenem	No	No	No	3	No etiology
6	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> , <i>E. aerogenes</i>	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	Meropenem	No	Yes	Yes	1	Remove linezolid and change to ceftazidime
7	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	Meropenem	No	No	Yes	1	Change to ceftazidime
8	<i>Serratia spp</i>	n.d.	Colistin	No	No	No	3	FilmArray does not identify microorganism
9	<i>A. baumannii</i>	<i>A. baumannii</i> <i>C. albicans</i>	Meropenem	No	No	Yes	1	Remove levofloxacin and change to colistin
10	n.d.	n.d.	Colistin	Yes	No	No	3	No etiology
11	n.d.	n.d.	Meropenem	Yes	No	No	3	No etiology
12	n.d.	<i>Streptococcus</i>	Colistin	No	No	Yes	1	Remove colistin and change to ceftriaxone
13	<i>S. aureus</i> sensitive	<i>C. albicans</i> , <i>C. tropicalis</i> , <i>S. aureus</i> mec not detected, <i>Streptococcus</i>	Meropenem	No	Yes	Yes	1	Remove meropenem and linezolid and change to cloxacillin
14	<i>K. pneumoniae</i>	<i>K. pneumoniae</i> , <i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> , <i>H. influenzae</i>	Meropenem	No	No	No	3	Appropriate treatment
15	<i>S. maltophilia</i> , <i>C. freundii</i>	n.d.	Meropenem	Yes	No	No	3	FilmArray does not identify microorganism

16	<i>E. cloacae, H. influenzae, E. coli; M. catarrhalis</i>	<i>H. influenzae</i>	Colistin	No	Yes	No	2	FilmArray does not identify microorganism
17	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>C. albicans</i>	Meropenem	No	No	No	3	No etiology
18	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>S. aureus</i> mec detected, <i>C. albicans</i>	Colistin	No	Yes	Yes	1	Remove colistin and change to vancomycin
19	<i>C. albicans</i>	<i>C. albicans</i>	Colistin		Yes	No	3	No etiology
20	Methicillin-sensitive <i>S. Aureus</i>	<i>S. aureus, C. albicans</i> mec detected	Meropenem	No	No	Yes	2	Inappropriate change because vancomycin is added
21	Methicillin-sensitive <i>S. aureus</i>	<i>S. aureus, H. influenzae</i> mec not detected	Colistin	No	No	Yes	1	Change to cloxacillin
22	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>n.d.</i>	Colistin	No	No	No	3	No etiology
23	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	Colistin	No	No	Yes	1	Change to ceftazidime
24	<i>E. cloacae, K. oxytoca</i>	<i>Streptococcus Enterobacteriaceae K. oxytoca H. influenzae</i>	Colistin	No	No	No	3	Appropriate treatment
25	<i>K. pneumoniae</i>	<i>Enterobacteriaceae, K. pneumonia</i>	Meropenem	No	Yes	Yes	1	Remove linezolid
26	<i>K. pneumoniae, H. influenzae</i>	<i>n.d.</i>	Colistin	Yes	No	No	3	FilmArray does not identify microorganism
27	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	Meropenem	No	No	Yes	1	Change to ceftazidime
28	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>n.d.</i>	Meropenem	No	No	No	3	No etiology
29	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>C. albicans</i>	Meropenem	No	No	No	3	No etiology
30	<i>n.d.</i>	x	Colistin	Yes	No	No	3	No etiology
31	<i>A. baumannii, S. marcescens</i>	<i>A. baumannii, C. albicans, Enterobacteriaceae, E. coli, Serratia, P. aeruginosa, S. pneumoniae</i>	Meropenem	No	No	Yes	1	Change to colistin

32	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	<i>P. aeruginosa, S. pneumoniae</i>	Colistin	No	No	Yes	1	Change to ceftazidime
33	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>n.d.</i>	Meropenem	No	No	No	3	No etiology
34	<i>K. pneumoniae, P. aeruginosa</i>	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	Colistin	No	Yes	Yes	1	Remove linezolid and change to ceftazidime
35	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>S. pneumoniae</i>	Meropenem	No	Yes	Yes	1	Change to ceftriaxone
36	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>P. aeruginosa, C. albicans</i>	Colistin	No	No	Yes	1	Change to ceftazidime
37	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>C. albicans</i>	Meropenem	No	Yes	No	3	No etiology
38	<i>P. mirabilis, K. oxytoca, S. maltophilia</i>	<i>n.d.</i>	Meropenem	Yes	No	No	3	FilmArray does not identify microorganism
39	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>n.d.</i>	Meropenem	No	No	No	3	No etiology
40	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>C. albicans</i>	Colistin	No	No	No	3	No etiology
41	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>n.d</i>	Colistin	No	No	No	3	No etiology
42	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	Meropenem	No	No	Yes	1	Change to ceftazidime
43	<i>C. koseri</i>	<i>n.d</i>	Colistin	Yes		No	3	FilmArray does not identify microorganism
44	<i>K. pneumoniae, H. Influenzae</i>	<i>H. influenzae</i>	Meropenem	Yes	No	No	3	FilmArray does not identify microorganism
45	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>n.d.</i>	Colistin	No	No	No	3	No etiology
46	<i>E. cloacae</i>	<i>Enterobacteriaceae E. cloacae complex</i>	Meropenem	No	No	No	3	Appropriate treatment
47	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>C. albicans C. glabrata</i>	Meropenem	No	Yes	No	3	No etiology
48	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>Streptococcus S. pneumoniae C. albicans</i>	Meropenem		Yes	Yes	1	Change to ceftriaxone

49	<i>E. aerogenes,</i> <i>E. coli</i>	<i>Staphylococcus</i> <i>S. aureus</i> <i>Streptococcus</i> <i>S. pneumoniae</i> <i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> <i>E. coli</i> <i>H. influenzae</i>	Meropenem	Yes	No	Yes	1	Remove vacomycin
50	n.d.	<i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> <i>K. pneumoniae</i>	Colistin	No	No	Yes	1	Change to meropenem
51	n.d.	<i>C. albicans</i>	Colistin	No	No	No	3	No etiology
52	<i>S. marcescens</i>	<i>Enterococcus</i> <i>C. glabrata</i>	Colistin	No	No	No	2	FilmArray does not identify microorganism
53	n.d.	<i>C. parapsilosis</i>	Meropenem	No	No	No	3	No etiology
54	n.d.	<i>Staphylococcus</i> <i>Streptococcus</i> <i>C. albicans</i> <i>C. glabrata</i>	Colistin	No	No	Yes	1	Change to cloxacill/vancomyn and linezolid
55	n.d.	<i>Streptococcus</i> <i>S. agalactiae (Group B)</i> <i>H. influenzae</i>	Colistin	No	No	Yes	1	Change to ceftriaxone
56	<i>K. pneumoniae</i>	<i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> <i>K. pneumoniae</i>	Colistin	Yes	No	Yes	1	Remove vancomycin
57	<i>A. baumannii,</i> <i>P. aeruginosa</i>	<i>A. baumannii,</i> <i>P. aeruginosa</i>	Colistin	No	No	Yes	1	Change to ceftazidime
58	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	n.d.	Colistin	Yes	No	No	3	FilmArray does not identify microorganism
59	n.d.	n.d.	Colistin	Yes	No	No	3	No etiology
60	<i>E. coli</i>	n.d.	Meropenem	No	No	No	3	FilmArray does not identify microorganism
61	<i>E. coli</i>	n.d.	Colistin	No	No	No	3	FilmArray does not identify microorganism
62	n.d.	n.d.	Meropenem	No	No	No	3	No etiology
63	n.d.	<i>H. influenzae</i> <i>N. meningitidis</i>	Meropenem	Yes	No	Yes	1	Change to ceftriaxone

64	<i>K. pneumoniae</i>	<i>A. baumannii</i> <i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> <i>K. pneumoniae</i>	Colistin	No	Yes	Yes	1	Remove linezolid
65	<i>C. albicans</i>	<i>H. influenzae</i> <i>C. albicans</i>	Colistin	No	No	Yes	1	Change to ceftriaxone
66	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	Meropenem	No	Yes	Yes	1	Remove linezolid and change to ceftazidime
67	<i>E. aerogenes</i>	<i>Streptococcus</i> <i>H. influenzae</i>	Colistin	No	No	Yes	2	Inappropriate change to ceftriaxone
68	<i>S. maltophilia,</i> <i>K. pneumoniae</i>	<i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> <i>K. pneumoniae</i>	Colistin	No	No	No	3	Appropriate treatment
69	<i>MS S. aureus,</i> <i>E. faecium</i>	<i>C. albicans</i>	Meropenem	Yes	No	No	3	FilmArray does not identify microorganism
70	<i>P. fluorescens,</i> <i>S. aureus, P.</i> <i>aeruginosa</i>	<i>n.d.</i>	Colistin	No	No	No	3	FilmArray does not identify microorganism
71	<i>E. cloacae</i>	<i>Staphylococcus</i> <i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> <i>E. cloacae complex</i> <i>C. albicans mecA detected</i>	Colistin	No	No	No	3	Appropriate treatment
72	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>H. influenzae</i> <i>C. albicans</i>	Colistin	No	No	Yes	1	Change to ceftriaxone
73	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>n.d.</i>	Meropenem	No	No	No	3	No etiology
74	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>n.d.</i>	Meropenem	Yes	No	No	3	No etiology
75	<i>P. aeruginosa,</i> <i>P. mirabilis</i>	<i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> <i>Proteus</i> <i>P. aeruginosa</i>	Meropenem	Yes	No	Yes	1	Remove vancomycin and levofloxacin and change to ceftazidime
76	<i>P. mirabilis</i>	<i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> <i>Proteus</i> <i>C. albicans</i>	Colistin	No	No	Yes	1	Change to ceftriaxone
77	<i>P. aeruginosa,</i> <i>H. influenzae</i>	<i>H. influenzae</i> <i>P. aeruginosa</i>	Colistin	No	No	Yes	1	Remove colistin and levofloxacin and change to ceftazidime
78	<i>C. striatum, E.</i> <i>faecalis</i>	<i>Streptococcus</i>	Colistin	No	No	No	3	FilmArray does not identify microorganism

79	<i>A. baumannii</i> , <i>K. pneumoniae</i> , <i>P. aeruginosa</i> , <i>S. aureus</i>	<i>Staphylococcus</i> <i>S. aureus</i> <i>H. influenzae</i> <i>P. aeruginosa</i>	Meropenem	No	Yes	No	2	FilmArray does not identify microorganism
80	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>n.d</i>	Colistin	No	No	No	3	No etiology
81	<i>S. aureus</i> , <i>K. pneumoniae</i> , <i>P. mirabilis</i>	<i>Staphylococcus</i> <i>S. aureus</i> <i>A. baumannii</i> <i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> <i>K. pneumoniae</i> <i>Proteus</i> <i>H. influenzae</i> KPC detected mecA not detected	Meropenem	No	No	Yes	2	Inappropriate change to colistin
82	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>C. albicans</i>	Meropenem	No	No	No	3	No etiology
83	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>n.d</i>	Colistin	Yes		No	3	No etiology
84	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>H. influenzae</i>	Meropenem	No	No	Yes	1	Change to ceftriaxone
85	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>C. albicans</i>	Meropenem	No	No	No	3	No etiology
86	<i>S. epidermidis</i>	<i>n.d.</i>	Meropenem	Yes		No	3	FilmArray does not identify microorganism
87	<i>Candida spp.</i>	<i>C. albicans</i>	Colistin	Yes		No	3	No etiology
88	<i>A. baumannii</i>	<i>A. baumannii</i> , <i>C. albicans</i>	Meropenem	No	No	Yes	1	Remove levofloxacin and change to colistin
89	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	Colistin	No	No	Yes	1	Change to ceftazidime
90	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>C. albicans</i> , <i>C. glabrata</i>	Meropenem	No	No	No	3	No etiology
91	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>C. glabrata</i>	Colistin	No	No	No	3	No etiology
92	<i>A. baumannii</i> , <i>S. epidermidis</i>	<i>A. baumannii</i> KPC detected	Meropenem	No	No	Yes	1	Remove levofloxacin and change to colistin
93	<i>K. pneumoniae</i>	<i>Staphylococcus</i> <i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> <i>K. pneumoniae</i> KPC and mecA detected	Colistin	No	No	No	3	Appropriate treatment
94	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>n.d</i>	Colistin	No	Yes	No	3	No etiology

95	<i>S. aureus</i>	<i>Staphylococcus</i> <i>S. aureus</i> <i>Streptococcus</i> <i>H. influenzae</i>	Meropenem	No	No	Yes	1	Remove meropenem and change to cloxacillin
96	<i>A. baumannii</i>	<i>n.d</i>	Meropenem	No	No	No	3	FilmArray does not identify microorganism
97	<i>E. aerogenes</i>	<i>Enterobacteriaceae</i>	Meropenem	No	No	No	3	FilmArray does not identify microorganism
98	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>n.d</i>	Meropenem	No	No	No	3	No etiology
99	<i>A. baumannii</i>	<i>A. baumannii</i> <i>C. albicans</i>	Meropenem	No	No	Yes	1	Remove levofloxacin and change to colistin
100	<i>A. baumannii</i>	<i>A. baumannii KPC detected</i>	Colistin	No	No	No	3	Appropriate treatment
101	<i>S. aureus, K. pneumoniae, R. ornithinolytica</i>	<i>Staphylococcus</i> <i>S. aureus</i> <i>Streptococcus</i> <i>C. glabrata meca detected</i>	Meropenem	Yes	No	No	2	FilmArray does not identify microorganism
102	<i>A. baumannii</i>	<i>Staphylococcus</i> <i>S. aureus</i> <i>A. baumannii</i>	Colistin	No	No	Yes	1	Remove levofloxacin and change cloxacillin. Maintenance of colistin
103	<i>C. freundii, K. oxytoca</i>	<i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> <i>K. oxytoca, C. albicans</i>	Meropenem	Yes	No	No	3	FilmArray does not identify microorganism
104	<i>A. baumannii, E. aerogenes C. albicans</i>	<i>Staphylococcus</i> <i>S. aureus</i> <i>A. baumannii</i> <i>C. albicans</i>	Meropenem			Yes	1	Change to colistin and cloxacillin
105	<i>P. aeruginosa, Methicillin-resistant S. Aureus</i>	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	Colistin	Yes	No	No	2	FilmArray does not identify microorganism
106	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i>	Meropenem	No	No	Yes	1	Remove levofloxacin and change to colistin
107	<i>S. marcescens, A. baumannii</i>	<i>A. baumannii</i>	Meropenem	Yes	No	Yes	1	Remove levofloxacin and change to colistin

		<i>Enterobacteriaceae</i>						
108	<i>P. mirabilis</i>	<i>Proteus</i> <i>H. influenzae</i> <i>P. aeruginosa</i>	Colistin	No	No	Yes	1	Remove colistin and change to ceftazidime
109	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>n.d.</i>	Colistin	No	No	No	3	No etiology
110	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>C. glabrata</i> <i>C. tropicalis</i>	Meropenem	No	No	No	3	No etiology
111	<i>C. albicans</i>	<i>C. albicans</i>	Colistin	No	No	No	3	No etiology
112	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>n.d.</i>	Colistin	No	No	No	3	No etiology
113	<i>K. pneumoniae,</i> <i>Enterococcus</i> <i>spp</i>	<i>K. pneumoniae, Enterococcus</i> <i>spp</i>	Colistin	No	No	Yes	1	Remove colistin and change to vancomycin and meropenem/cephalosporin 3G
114	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>C. albicans</i>	Meropenem	No	No	No	3	No etiology
115	<i>C. albicans</i>	<i>C. parapsilosis</i>	Colistin	Yes		no	3	No etiology
116	<i>E. coli</i>	<i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> <i>E. coli</i> <i>H. influenzae</i>	Meropenem	No	No	Yes	1	Remove meropenem and change to ceftriaxone
117	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>n.d.</i>	Colistin	No	Yes	No	3	No etiology
118	<i>A.fumigatus</i>	<i>C. albicans</i>	Meropenem	No	No	No	3	No etiology
119	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> <i>C. albicans</i> <i>C. parapsilosis</i>	Colistin	No	No	Yes	1	Remove colistin and change to ceftazidime
120	Methicillin-sensitive <i>S. Aureus</i>	<i>Staphylococcus</i> <i>S. aureus</i> <i>H. influenzae</i> <i>mecA</i> not detected	Colistin	No	Yes	Yes	1	Remove colistin and linezolid and change to ceftriaxone or cloxacillin+ levofloxacin
121	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>n.d.</i>	Meropenem	No	No	No	3	No etiology
122	Methicillin-resistant <i>S. Aureus</i>	<i>Staphylococcus</i> <i>S. aureus</i> <i>mecA</i> - Detected <i>C. albicans</i> <i>C. glabrata</i>	Colistin	No	No	Yes	1	Remove colistin and change to linezolid or vancomycin

123	<i>K. pneumoniae</i> , <i>E. coli</i> , <i>C. koseri</i>	<i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> <i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> <i>Candida krusei</i> <i>Candida parapsilosis</i> <i>KPC - Detected</i>	Colistin	Yes	No	No	3	Appropriate treatment
124	<i>A. baumannii</i> , <i>S. marcescens</i>	<i>Streptococcus</i> <i>A. baumannii</i> <i>C. albicans</i>	Meropenem	Yes	No	Yes	1	Change to colistin
125	<i>E. coli</i>	<i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> <i>E. coli</i>	Meropenem	No	No	Yes	1	Remove meropenem and change to ceftaxone
126	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> , <i>A. baumannii</i>	<i>A. baumannii</i> , <i>P. aeruginosa</i>	Meropenem	No	No	Yes	1	Remove meropenem and change to colistin+ ceftazidime
127	<i>K. pneumoniae</i> , <i>A. baumannii</i>	<i>A. baumannii</i> <i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> <i>K. pneumoniae</i> <i>KPC - Detected</i>	Colistin	No	No	No	3	Appropriate treatment
128	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> , <i>A. baumannii</i>	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> <i>C. albicans</i> <i>C. parapsilosis</i>	Meropenem	No	No	Yes	1	Remove meropenem and change to ceftazidime. But it should also be needed colistin
129	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> , <i>A. baumannii</i>	<i>A. baumannii</i> <i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> <i>P. aeruginosa</i> <i>C. glabrata</i>	Colistin		Yes	Yes	1	Remove linezolid
130	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>C. albicans</i>	Meropenem	No	No	No	3	No etiology
131	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>Staphylococcus</i> <i>Streptococcus</i> <i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> <i>K. pneumoniae</i> <i>C. albicans</i> <i>C. parapsilosis meca - Detected</i> <i>KPC - Not Detected</i>	Colistin	No	No	No	3	No etiology

132	<i>E. faecium</i>	<i>Enterococcus</i> <i>Streptococcus</i> <i>S. pneumoniae</i> <i>C. albicans</i> <i>C. glabrata</i>	Meropenem	No	No	No	1	Change to ceftriaxone
133	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>C. albicans</i>	Colistin	No	Yes	No	3	No etiology
134	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>C. albicans</i> <i>C. glabrata</i>	Colistin	Yes	No	No	3	No etiology
135	<i>E. coli</i>	<i>n.d.</i>	Colistin	Yes	No	No	3	FilmArray does not identify microorganism
136	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>Candida albicans</i>	Colistin	No	Yes	No	3	No etiology
137	<i>K. oxytoca, C. braakii</i>	<i>Staphylococcus</i> <i>S. aureus</i> <i>Enterobacteriaceae mecA and KPC not detected</i>	Meropenem	No	Yes	Yes	1	Change to vancomycin
138	<i>K. pneumoniae, E. cloacae</i>	<i>n.d.</i>	Meropenem	No	No	No	3	FilmArray does not identify microorganism
139	<i>E. aerogenes</i>	<i>Enterococcus</i> <i>Streptococcus</i> <i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> <i>C. albicans</i>	Colistin	No	No	No	3	FilmArray does not identify microorganism
140	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	Meropenem	No	No	Yes	1	Remove meropenem and change to ceftazidime
141	<i>A. baumannii</i>	<i>Staphylococcus</i> <i>S. aureus mecA - Detected</i> <i>A. baumannii</i> <i>H.influenzae</i> <i>C. albicans</i>	Colistin	No	No	Yes	2	Inappropriate change. It is added vancomycin/ linezolid unnecessary
142	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>C. glabrata</i>	Colistin	No	No	No	3	No etiology
143	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>n.d.</i>	Colistin	No	No	No	3	No etiology
144	<i>E. ludwigii</i>	<i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> <i>C. albicans</i>	Colistin	No	No	No	3	FilmArray does not identify microorganism

145	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>Staphylococcus</i> <i>S. aureus</i> <i>C. albicans</i> <i>C. tropicalis</i>	Meropenem	No	Yes	Yes	1	Change to vancomycin
146	<i>Serratia spp, K. pneumoniae</i>	<i>H. influenzae</i> <i>C. albicans</i>	Colistin	No	No	Yes	2	Inappropriate change to ceftriaxone
147	<i>E. coli</i>	<i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> <i>E.coli</i> <i>H. influenzae</i> <i>C. albicans</i> <i>C. glabrata</i> <i>C. tropicalis</i>	Meropenem	No	No	Yes	1	Remove meropenem and change to cephalosporin 3G
148	<i>n.d.</i>	<i>n.d.</i>	Meropenem	No	No	No	3	No etiology
149	<i>A. xylosoxidans</i>	<i>Staphylococcus</i> <i>S.aureus</i> <i>C. albicans mecA not detected</i>	Meropenem	No	No	No	3	FilmArray does not identify microorganism
150	<i>C. striatum</i>	<i>Staphylococcus</i> <i>S. aureus mec detected</i> <i>H. influenzae</i> <i>C. albicans</i>	Meropenem	No	No	Yes	1	Change to vancomycin

Supplemental Table 1: Changes in antimicrobial treatment following BCID Panel.