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ABSTRACT

Background: Urinary track infection is one of the most common types of infection in Pakistan. Poor knowledge about personal hygiene, lack of awareness about diet and unavailability of clean drinking water are major reasons of this infection. Varieties of infectious agents are responsible for UTI incidence but in present study *E. coli* and *K. pneumoniae* were main causative agents of infection in majority of cases. This high prevalence of *E. coli* and *Klebsiella* in UTI patients is because of its resistance towards different antibiotics. These strains contain β -lactamase enzyme which provides resistance to β -lactam antibiotics. Prevalence and incidence of these bacteria is different in different regions of the world. In present study bacterial resistance and susceptibility has been determined in UTI produced by *E. coli* and *Klebsiella* species against different antibiotics.

Method: Total 250 samples were obtained from patients suffering from urinary track infection from Genomic Research Lab and Diagnostic Center Rawalpindi, Pakistan. The samples were tested for presence of different microbial infectious agents. Samples had been tested for the presence of different pathogenic bacteria by using various kinds of biochemical tests such as Gram staining, Lactose fermentation test, Motility test, Catalase test and Colony formation on MacConkey agar, Indole test, Citrate utilization test. The susceptibility pattern and resistance pattern had also been evaluated by using fourteen different antibiotics. Muller Hinton agar was used for the determination of susceptibility and resistance pattern. The susceptibility and resistance pattern had also been determined for each type of bacterial strain. The effect of each antibiotic had been tested on various samples and results were compiled to determine which antibiotic was most effective against UTI.

Result: Fourteen antibiotics were used for susceptibility while ten antibiotics were selected at a cut off value of 100 samples for *E. coli* and 20 samples for *Klebsiella*, then these samples were tested and their results were compared against each type of antibiotic on *E. coli* and *K. species*. The result showed that the effect of one antibiotic against various infection agents was not same its susceptibility varies with the type of infectious microbe. Over all, the most susceptible antibiotic was Amikacin with 93.5% susceptibility while the most resistant was shown against Ciprofloxacin with 76.8% resistance. The results in case of *E. coli* showed that the most susceptible antibiotic was Imipenam with 97.5% susceptibility and most resistance was against Ciprofloxacin 81.7% resistance. Where as against *K. species* most susceptible antibiotic was Amikacin with 94.9% susceptibility and most resistant was against Tobramycin with 76.1% resistance..

Conclusion: It is concluded from the present study that the effect of each antibiotic is different with respect to type of infectious agent; therefore, it is recommended that the doctor should determine the prime type of infectious agent and its susceptibility response before prescription of any antibiotic. It will help to cure the disease in most effective way. This study confirms that the susceptibility pattern varies from person to person. More over comparison with pervious studies had shown an increase in resistance against various antibiotics. It is suggested that these kinds of studies should be conducted on the large scale to determine the susceptibility of antibiotics against each kind of infection at national level.

CHAPTER 1: INTRODUCTION

1.1 Infection

Infection is a malfunctioning of body function due to attack of microorganism and its multiplication inside host. These organisms react with the host tissues; as a result of this infection the organism or body organ are affected. Infection is transferred through the microorganisms which are main disease causing agents. Virus, Bacteria and fungi are most common Infection causing agents (Signore and Glaudemans, 2011). Our body is equipped with a natural mechanism which tries to kill these invaders and guard the body from infection. This defense system is our immune system. When our immune system is unable to stop or remove these infectious agents from multiplication in body infections are produced and the organism got a disease. Based on the type and degree of disease particular medications are recommended e.g Antibiotics, Antiviral, Antifungal drugs for the treatment and cure of the infections (Umeh and Berkowitz, 2009).