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EDITORIAL

Will coronavirus disease (COVID-19) have an impact on antimicrobial resistance?

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	Overcrowded facilities and possible staff shortages leading to low HCW-to-patient ratios [5]	
	 Shortages of HCWs with appropriate IPC training [4] Longer hospital stays for COVID-19 patients [5] Traditional IPC efforts may be temporarily discontinued, including those targeting antibiotic-resistant bacteria, e.g. decreased frequency of screening for carriage of MDROs and difficulties in isolating or cohorting MDRO-positive patients [4,47] Decreased laboratory capacity to detect AMR carriage, e.g. for processing rapid tests for MDROs, because resources are focused on SARS-CoV-2 diagnosis [4] 	





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