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Reflections from GARP Phase 1 Vietnam

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Background on Vietnam, antibiotic use and antibiotic resistance



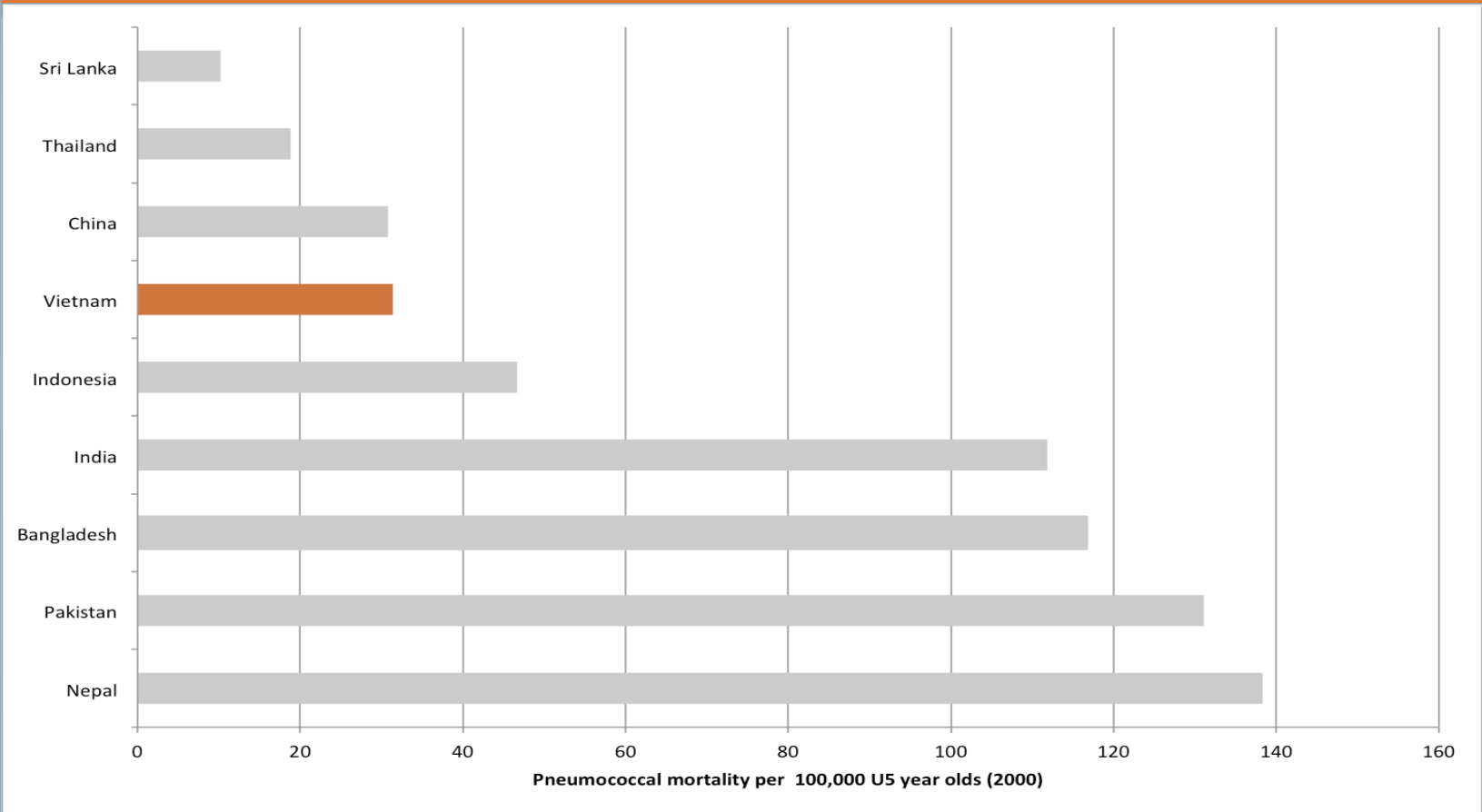
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Vietnam Statistics

Population	89,571,130
GDP per cap \$	3,100
Median age – y	27.4 y
Literacy	92.5%
Life expectancy	72 y
Hospital beds/1000 people	2.7
Doctors/1000 people	0.6

Source: CIA factbook

Pneumococcal Mortality Rates in Children <5 Years: Vietnam and Neighboring Countries (2000)

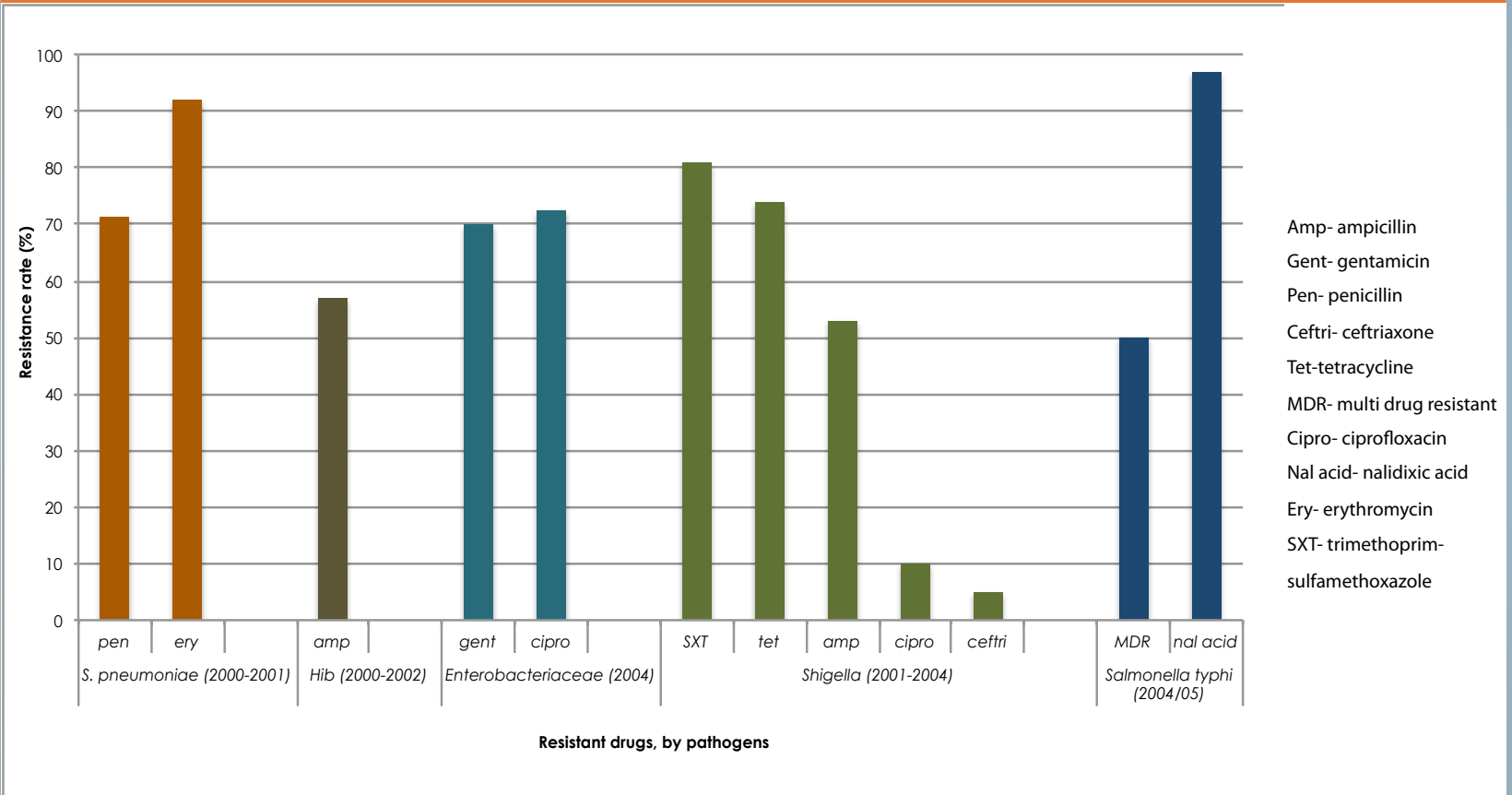


Source: World Health Organization, 2000

Drivers of Antibiotic Consumption in Vietnam

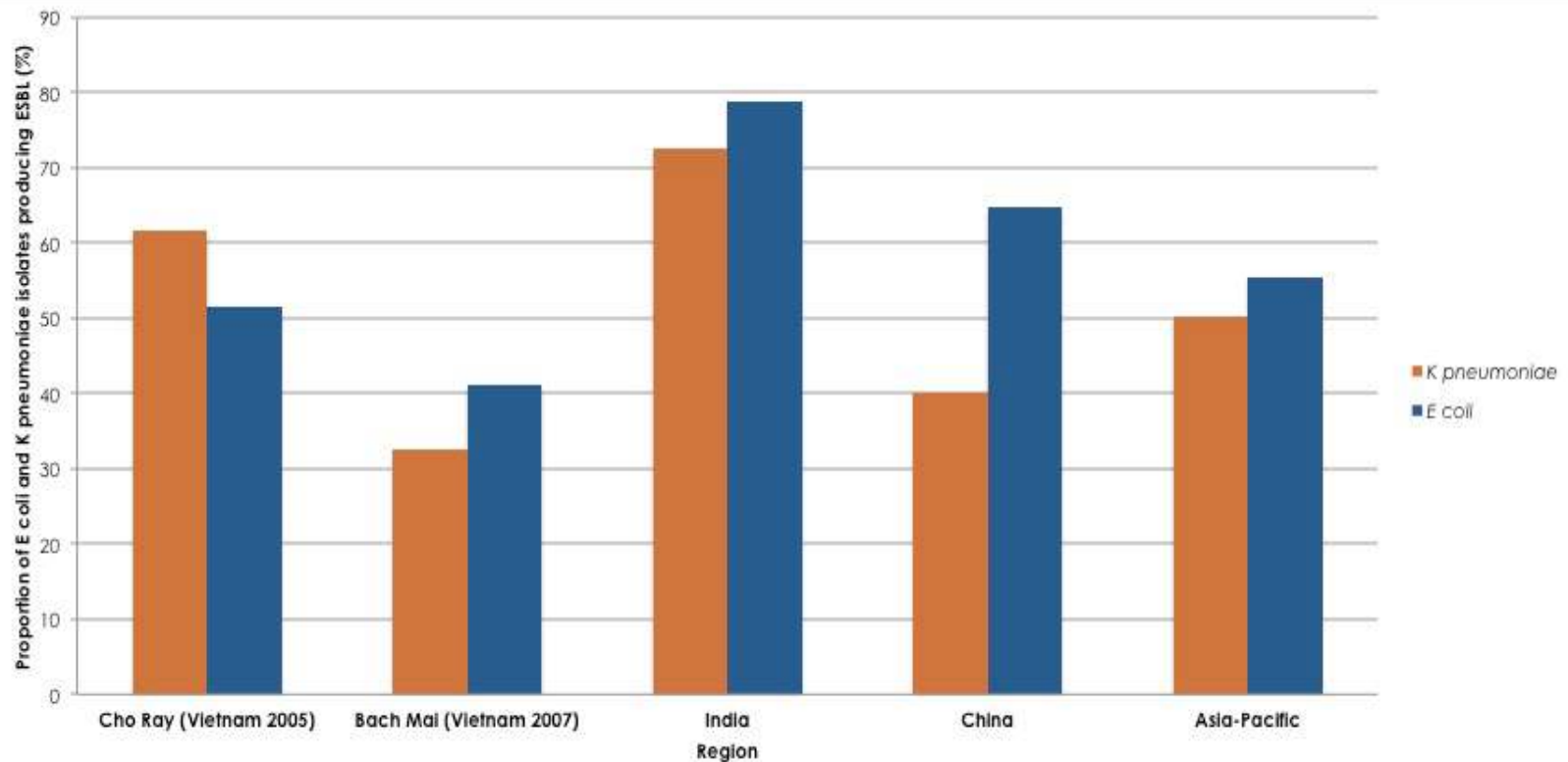
- High out-of-pocket health expenditure - 60%
 - Self-medication is cheaper and quick
- Despite regulation, antibiotics dispensed without prescription
 - No enforcement
- Financial incentives
- Lack of knowledge
- Lack of doctors' time
- Lack of good (rapid) diagnostics

Antibiotic Resistance in Vietnam



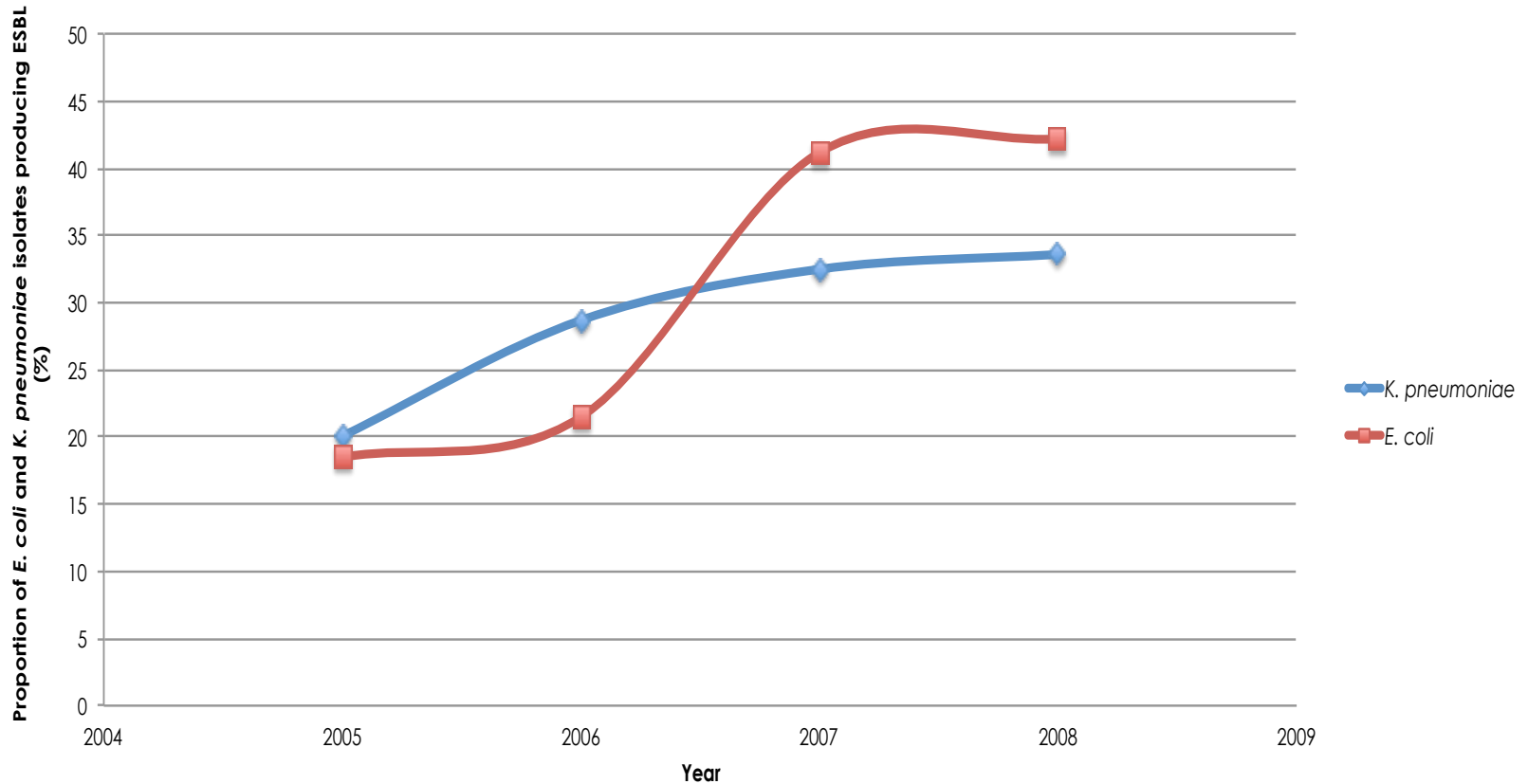
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Proportion of hospital-acquired *E. coli* and *K. pneumoniae* isolates producing ESBL in Vietnam (2005, 2007), India, China and Asia-Pacific (2007)



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Proportion of *E. coli* and *K. pneumoniae* Isolates Producing ESBL in Bach Mai Hospital, Vietnam (2005-2008)

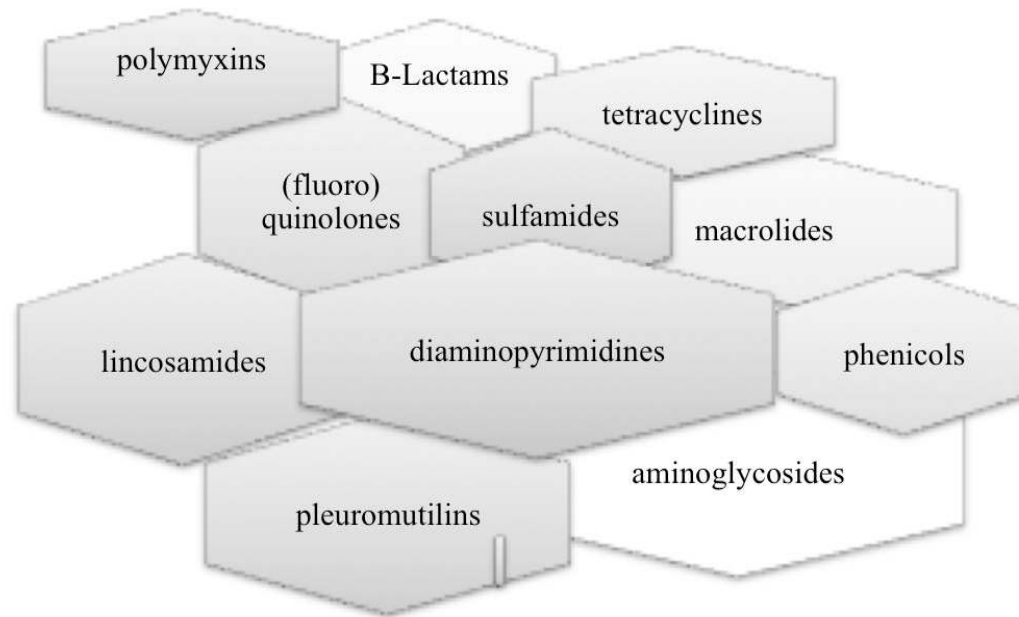


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Treatment Guidelines

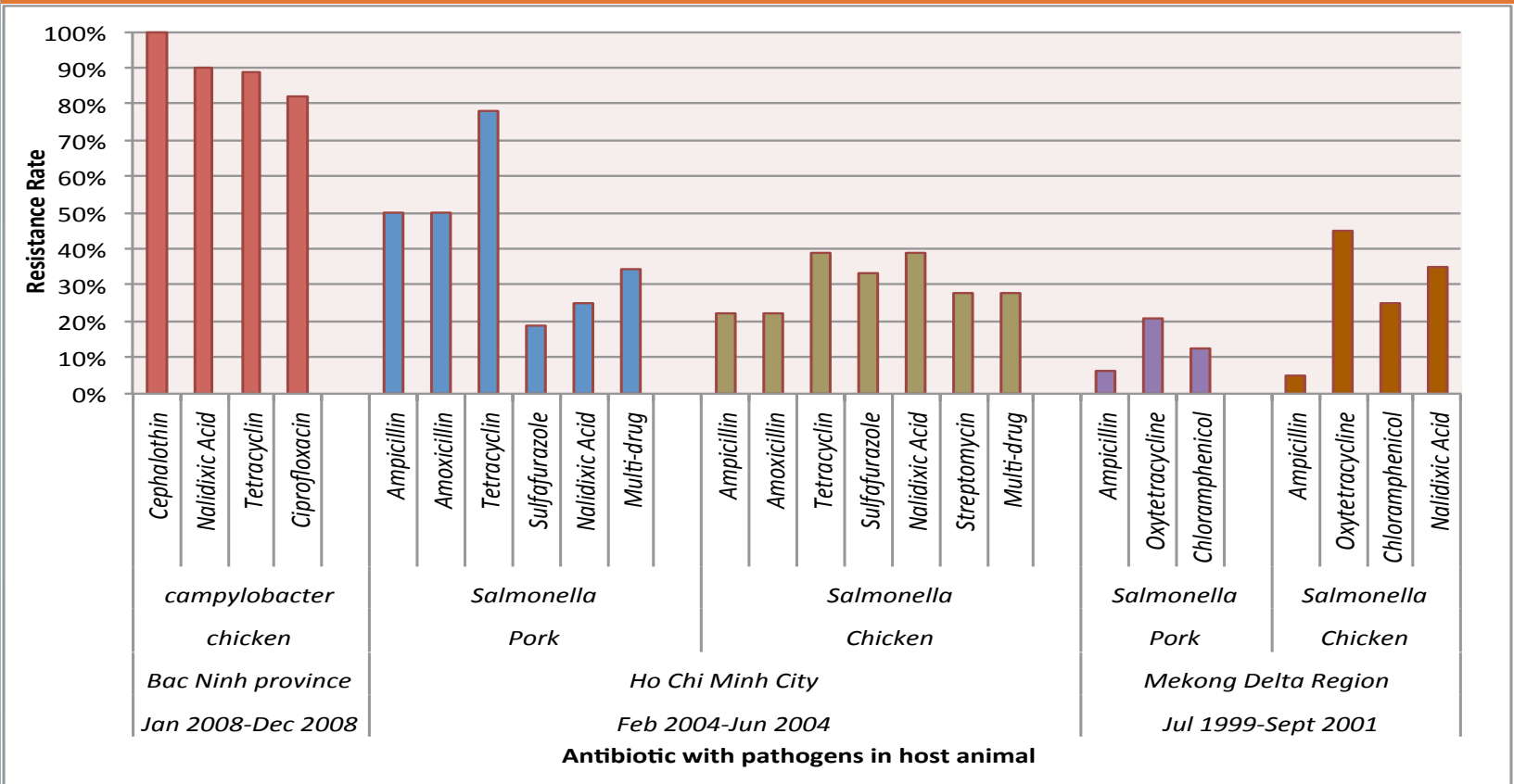
- Most treatment guidelines outdated
- Recommendations for antibiotics do not take into account current resistance profiles
- Guidelines use ‘Western’ data, not Asian
- Must take into account local epidemiology, e.g.,
 - *S. suis* common cause of meningitis
 - *K. pneumoniae* common in severe pneumonia

Antibiotic Use in Agriculture in Vietnam



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Antibiotic Resistance in Animals, by Region



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Vietnam: Situation analysis report released in January 2011

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SITUATION ANALYSIS:

Antibiotic Use and Resistance in Vietnam

The GARP- Vietnam National Working Group

Dr. Nguyen Van Kinh, Chairman

October 2010

GARP-Vietnam Activities and Achievements

Gap-filling research:

- Antibiotic use and resistance in 15 hospitals (MoH)
- Audit pharmacy and lab in participating hospitals
- AB dispensing in community (in collaboration with HMU)
- AB use in aquaculture (in collaboration with HAU)
- Cholera resistance study – NHTD
- Multi drug resistant *Acinetobacter baumannii* study – NHTD
- NDM-1 hospital environmental study: ongoing (NIHE)
- ESBL screening in vegetables: ongoing (NHTD/HMU)

GARP-Vietnam Activities and Achievements [2]

Other achievements:

- Translated international guideline on proper antibiotic resistance testing (CLSI 2011)
- Contributed to the Joint Annual Health Review Vietnam for 2009.
- Held national infection control meetings
- World Health Day meeting, April 7th 2011: Data from MoH study was used to characterize antibiotic resistance in Vietnam



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GARP-VN RESEARCH PROJECTS

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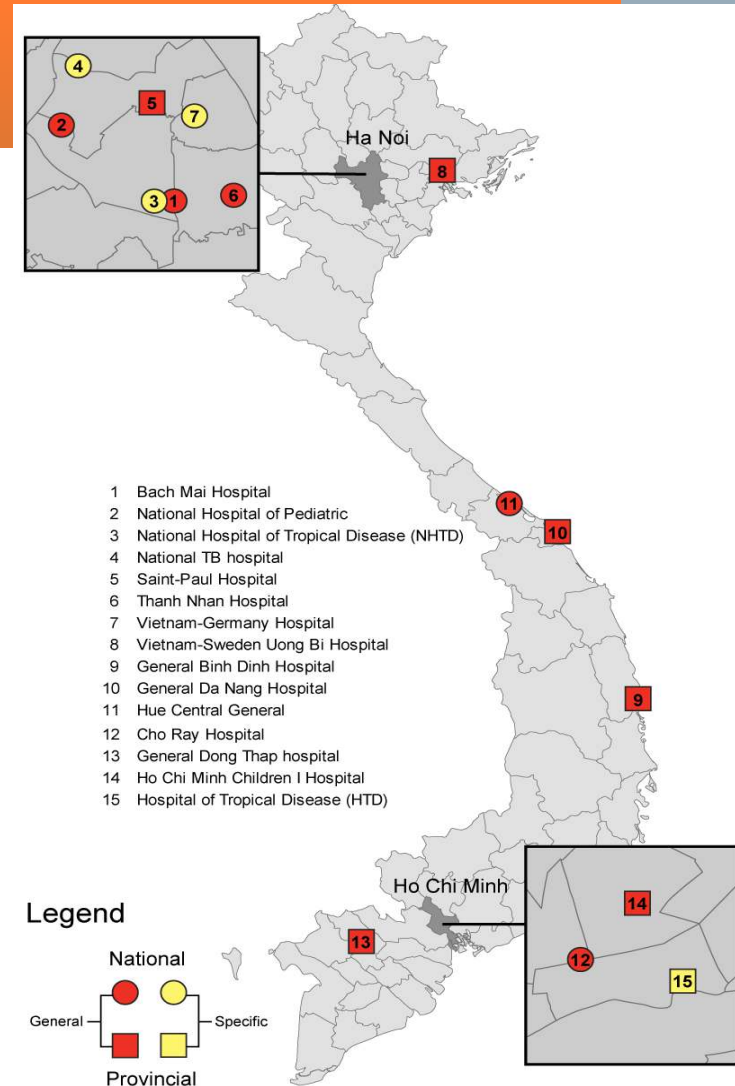
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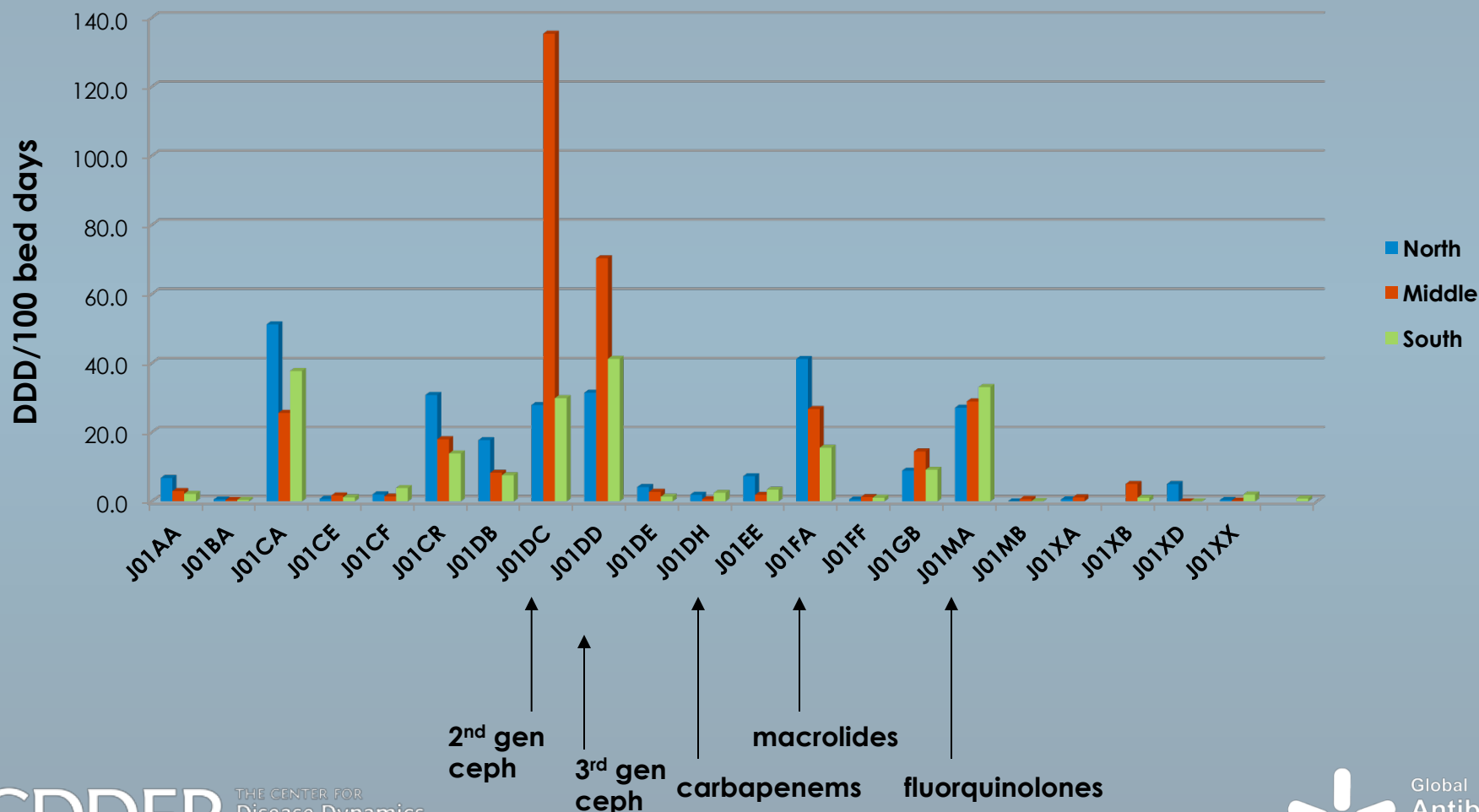
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1. Resistance and Antibiotic Use Surveillance

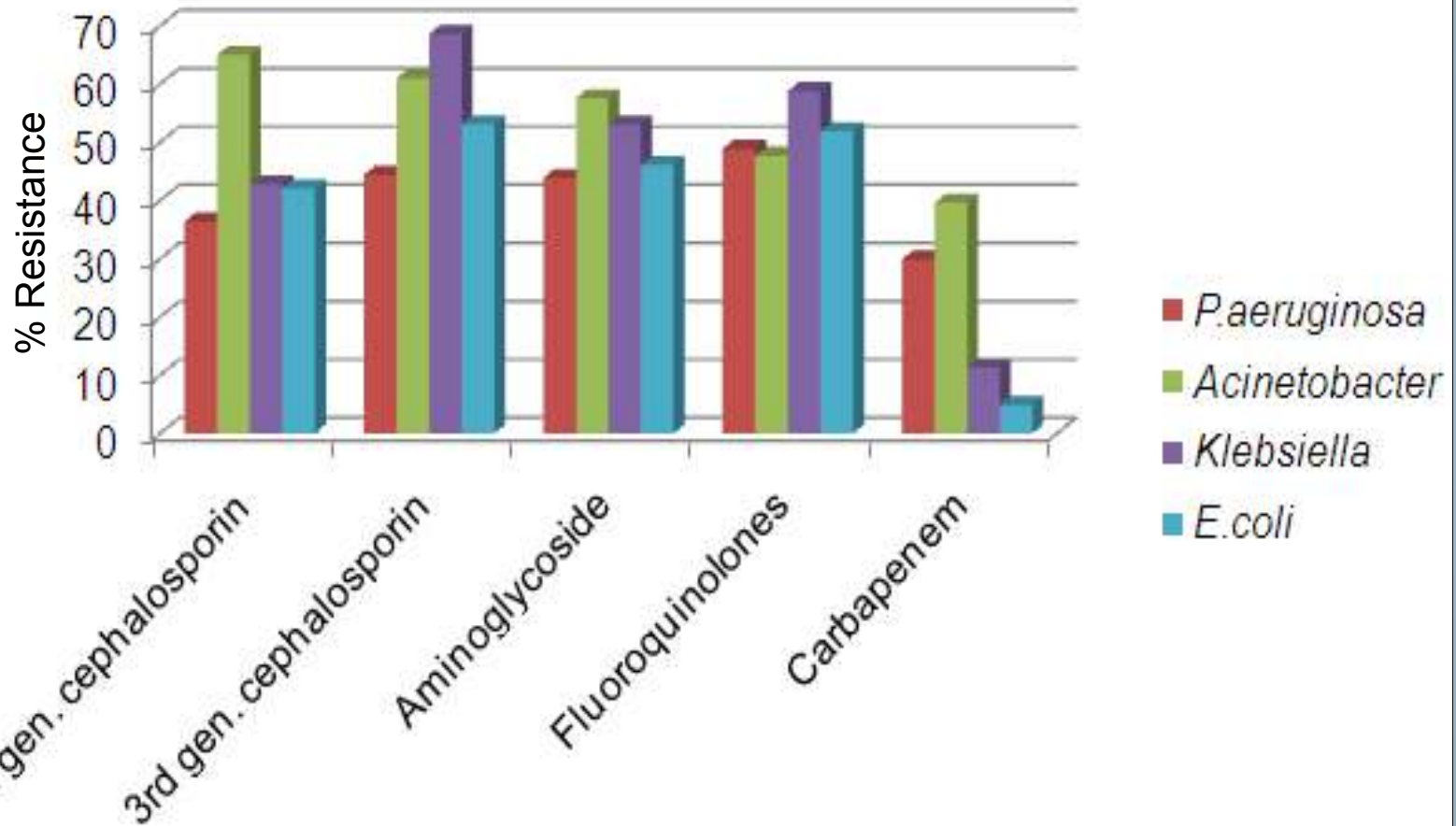
- **Antibiotic consumption surveillance**
 - DDD/100 bed-days in 15 hospitals
- **Antibiotic resistance surveillance**
 - Monitor resistance in same 15 hospitals by MoH
 - WHO net
 - Auditing labs and data quality
 - Sharing CLSI guidelines among participating hospitals (Vietnamese version)
- **Annual reporting**



Antibiotic Consumption per Hospital per Year (DDD/100 bed-days)



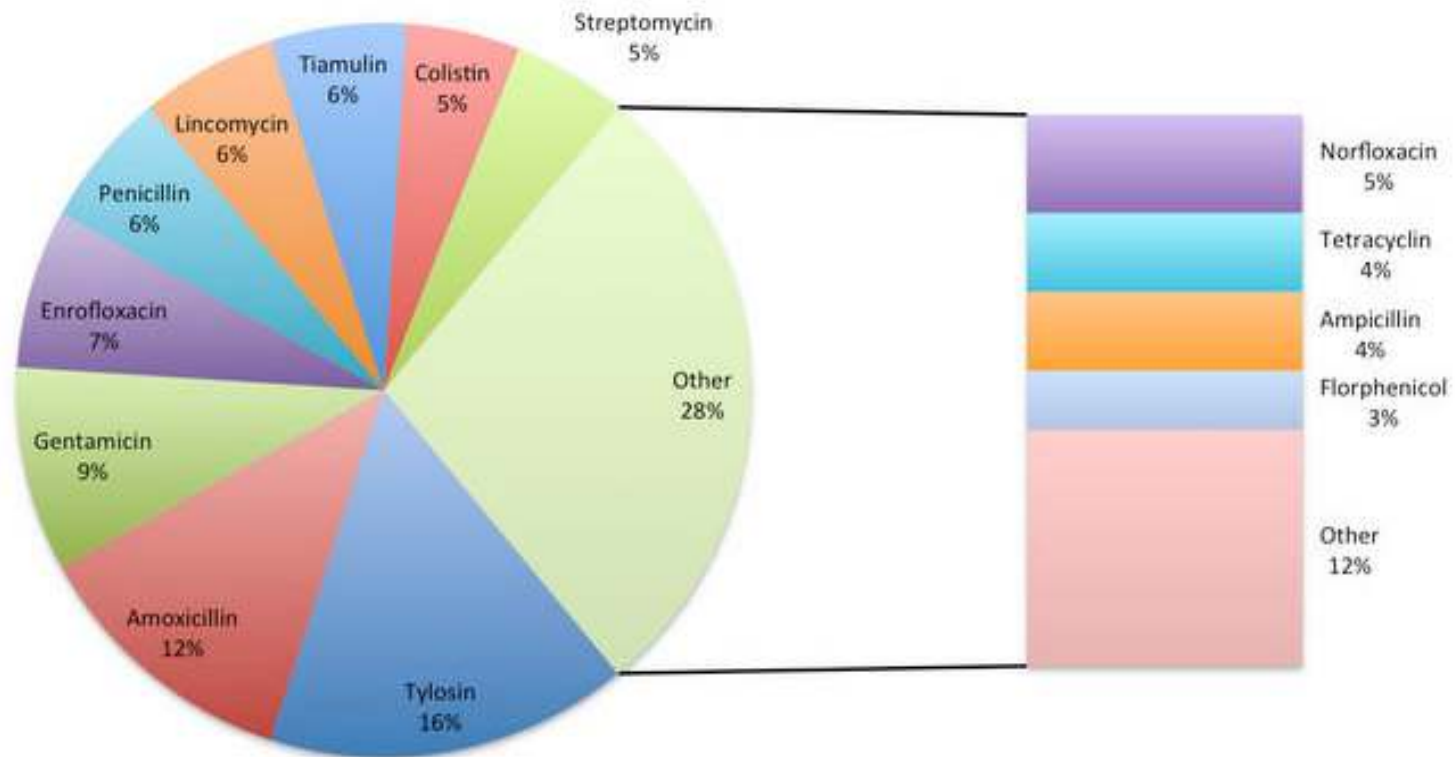
Resistance to Antibiotics to 4 Common Gram-negative Bacteria



2. Community Pharmacy Study

- 90% antibiotics are sold without prescription
- Drugs are often dispensed by inexperienced staff
- 25% of TOTAL sales are antibiotic sales
- Domestically manufactured drugs are sold more in rural than urban areas
- High demand from buyers illustrates the need for public awareness campaigns

Antibiotic Use in Agricultural Animals in Vietnam



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3. Surveillance of Antibiotic Use in Fresh Aquaculture in Vietnam

❖ Survey 94 farms:

- 47 in Red River Delta

- 47 in Mekong River Delta

Exclude: farms for export

❖ 100 samples for screening of antibiotic residue

❖ Time: July-September 2011



North: 2 provinces

South: 2 provinces

Aquaculture Study Results

- In fish production, 81% (51/63) farms used antibiotics
- In shrimp production, 55% (17/31) used antibiotics
- Some banned drugs are still being used, e.g., chloramphenicol
- Type of antibiotic, dosage and administration were mainly based on breeder's experience, not on evidence-based guidelines
- Breeders lack knowledge about antibiotic regulation, e.g., requiring them to stop antibiotic use before harvesting their products

GARP-VN: FUTURE DIRECTIONS

Stakeholder Meeting 2011: Policy Directions

- Enforcement of existing regulations: hospital, community and agriculture
- Antibiotic stewardship program (ASP)
- National Surveillance Program with National Reference Laboratories to ensure the availability and quality of testing
- Improve access to non-medicated animal feed for farmers.
- Limit use of colistin in agriculture
- Education
 - Doctors, pharmacists at universities and later through 'permanent (continuing) education'
 - Farmers through chief animal health worker; vets, para-vets, animal health workers and drug sellers
- Recommendation: MoH and Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development to develop joint action plan

Remaining Challenges

❖ National level

- Enforcement of regulations and policies
- Collaboration between MoH and Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development in limiting antibiotic resistance

❖ In community

- High out-of-pocket expenditures encourage people to bypass providers and purchase drugs—including antibiotics—directly, without a proper diagnosis.

❖ In hospital

- Inadequate infection control and overcrowding
- Lack of adequate microbiology services
- Lack of surveillance
- Lack of evidence-based infectious disease treatment guidelines

❖ In agriculture

- Regulating antibiotic consumption

