

## NTM Lung Infections



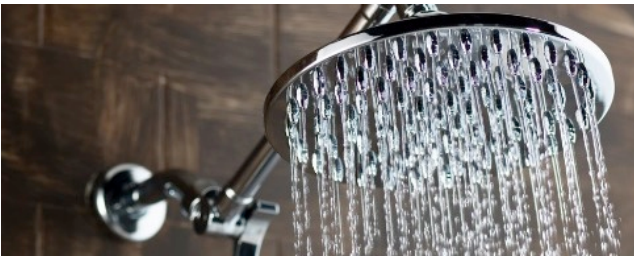
# Nontuberculous Mycobacteria (NTM)

## Where does it come from?

- More than 150 species recognized
- Acquired by inhalation from environment
- Water thought to be the main source
- Patient to patient transmission

## Who is at risk?

- Underlying lung disease and/or genetic predisposition
- Cystic Fibrosis patients
- COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease)
- Immunosuppressive therapy
- Elderly population



# Cystic Fibrosis Phase 2a Results: Bacteriology



	CF Infections		CF MABSC
Bacteria	P. Aeruginosa	Other	NTM
N	6	3	2
Length of treatment	9 days	9 days	21 days
% decrease from baseline	62%	60%	99%

## Notes

- CF Infections data generated in 2014
- CF MABSC data generated in 2016
- % decrease from baseline of bacterial load calculated at end of treatment period
- No treatment related SAEs

- Confidence gained from CF Infections study
- NTM targeted due to positive previous data and ability to directly measure benefit to an NTM patient
- Given difficulty in treating MABSC, AIT opted for a longer treatment period
- Given our success in treating MABSC in CF patients, we believe we can treat MABSC regardless of co-morbidity

## Compassionate treatment Case 1 & Case 2

### Case 1 Background

- 19 year old female
- Rapid progressive changes in CT scan and deterioration in pulmonary functions tests
- Positive NTM – since July 2009

### Case 2 Background

- 13 year old female
- Hospitalized for side effects of linezolid
- Positive NTM – since May 2014

### **Treatment regimen:**

Long exposure of high dose of Nitric Oxide

# Compassion Treatment Results\*

## Significant changes in clinical symptoms and bacteriology\*\*:

- 1 Change in lung function
- 2 Dramatic reduction in NTM colony forming units (CFU)
- 3 Increase in distance in the 6 minute walk test
- 4 Reduction in inflammation
- 5 Publication pending

\* Cases were treated at Rambam Medical center as a compassion treatment. AIT supplied the device and protocol.

\*\* Some of the changes do not appear in both cases

# Current Standard of Care for NTM



**TABLE 6. COMMON SIDE EFFECTS AND TOXICITIES OF DRUGS USED FOR THERAPY OR PROPHYLAXIS OF NONTUBERCULOUS MYCOBACTERIAL DISEASE**

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DRUG	MAJOR SIDE EFFECTS/TOXICITY	MONITORING PROCEDURES
<b>Isoniazid</b>	Hypersensitivity (fever, rash) Hepatitis Increased serum levels of phenytoin (Dilantin) Peripheral neuropathy related to pyridoxine deficiency	Clinical symptoms Clinical symptoms; periodic ALT or AST determinations, especially in first 3 mo of therapy Monitor serum levels Clinical symptoms
<b>Ethambutol</b>	Optic neuritis (loss of red/green color discrimination, loss of visual acuity)	Discontinue drug immediately with subjective visual loss; periodic and symptomatic testing for red/green color discrimination and visual acuity (monthly if receiving 25 mg/kg/d); ophthalmology evaluation for symptomatic patients
<b>Rifampin, rifabutin</b>	Orange discoloration of secretions and urine; staining of soft contact lenses Gastrointestinal disturbance (nausea, vomiting) Hypersensitivity (fever, rash) Hepatitis Increased hepatic metabolism of numerous agents, including birth control pills, ketoconazole, quindine, prednisone, oral hypoglycemics (sulfonylureas), digitalis, methadone, warfarin, clarithromycin, and protease inhibitors "Flu-like" syndrome, thrombocytopenia, renal failure	None Clinical symptoms Clinical symptoms Clinical symptoms; AST or ALT determination based on symptoms Monitor clinical status and appropriate serum levels when possible  Clinical symptoms; platelet count, serum creatinine as indicated
<b>Rifabutin only</b>	Polymyalgia, polyarthralgia, leukopenia, granulocytopenia, anterior uveitis (rifabutin with clarithromycin)	Clinical symptoms; periodic WBC counts
<b>Streptomycin, amikacin, tobramycin</b>	Vestibular/auditory toxicity (dizziness, vertigo, ataxia, tinnitus, hearing loss)	Clinical symptoms including changes in hearing, ability to walk, dizziness; periodic hearing tests in high-risk patients or those with auditory/vestibular symptoms; periodic amikacin serum levels
<b>Azithromycin, clarithromycin</b>	Gastrointestinal disturbance (nausea, vomiting, diarrhea) Decreased hearing Hepatitis	Clinical symptoms Clinical symptoms Periodic alkaline phosphatase, AST and ALT for first 3 mo
<b>Clarithromycin only</b>	Inhibited hepatic metabolism of several agents, including rifabutin, some protease inhibitors	Monitor clinical status and appropriate serum levels when possible

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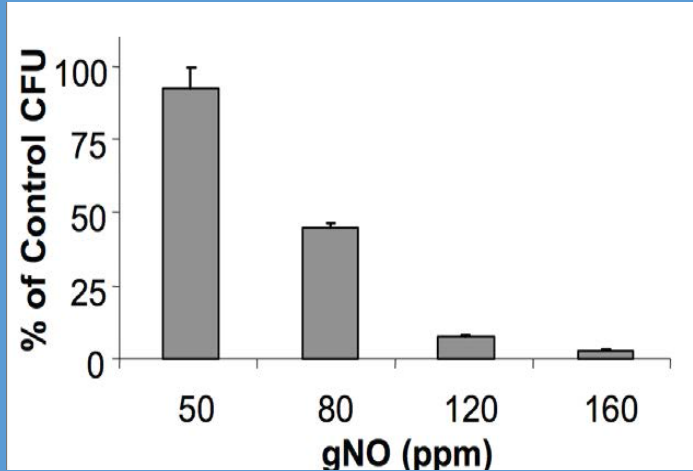


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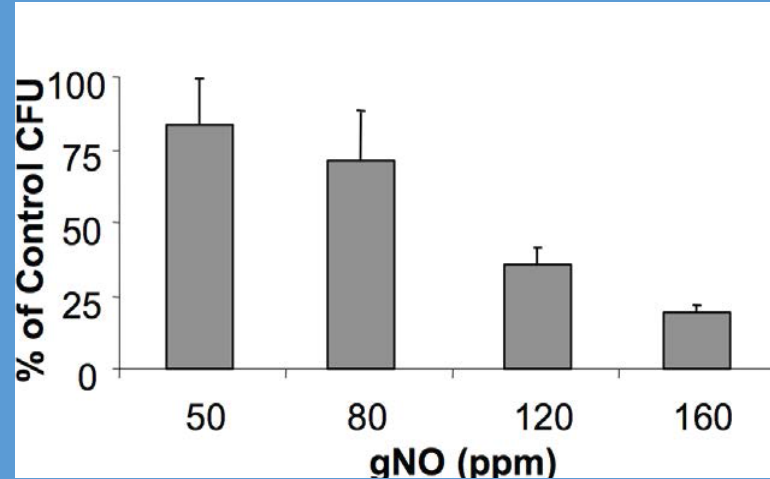
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<b>Ciprofloxacin, Ofloxacin</b>	Gastrointestinal disturbance (nausea, vomiting, diarrhea) Central nervous system (headache, insomnia)	Clinical symptoms Clinical symptoms
<b>Moxifloxacin</b>	Gastrointestinal disturbance (nausea, vomiting, diarrhea) Central nervous system (insomnia, agitation, anxiety) Musculoskeletal (tendonitis)	Clinical symptoms Clinical symptoms Clinical symptoms
<b>Cefoxitin</b>	Hypersensitivity (fever, rash, eosinophilia) Hematologic (anemia, leukopenia)	Clinical symptoms Periodic blood counts
<b>Tetracyclines (doxycycline, minocycline)</b>	Gastrointestinal disturbance (nausea, vomiting, diarrhea) Cutaneous (photosensitivity, rash, hyperpigmentation) Central nervous system (dizziness, vertigo [minocycline])	Clinical symptoms Clinical symptoms Clinical symptoms
<b>Sulfonamides, trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole</b>	Gastrointestinal disturbance (nausea, vomiting, diarrhea) Hematologic (leukopenia, anemia, thrombocytopenia) Hypersensitivity (fever, rash, Stevens-Johnson syndrome)	Clinical symptoms Periodic blood counts Clinical symptoms
<b>Imipenem</b>	Gastrointestinal disturbance (nausea, vomiting, diarrhea) Hypersensitivity (anaphylaxis, rash) Central nervous system (seizures, confusion state) Hepatitis Hematologic (leukopenia, anemia, thrombocytopenia, pancytopenia)	Clinical symptoms Clinical symptoms Clinical symptoms Periodic hepatic enzymes Periodic blood counts
<b>Linezolid</b>	Gastrointestinal disturbance (nausea, vomiting, diarrhea) Hematologic (leukopenia, anemia, thrombocytopenia, pancytopenia) Peripheral neuropathy	Clinical symptoms Periodic blood counts Clinical symptoms

# Dose Response (In Vitro)\*



**S. aureus at 50, 80, 120 and 160 ppm**



**P. aeruginosa at 50, 80, 120 and 160 ppm**

- 160 PPM - optimized dose for killing bacteria (measured in CFU)\*\*
- Dose response experiments performed in two different types of bacterial strain
  - **Pseudomonas aeruginosa**: multidrug resistant (MDR) pathogen causing respiratory infection
  - **Staphylococcus aureus**: common cause of skin and respiratory infections

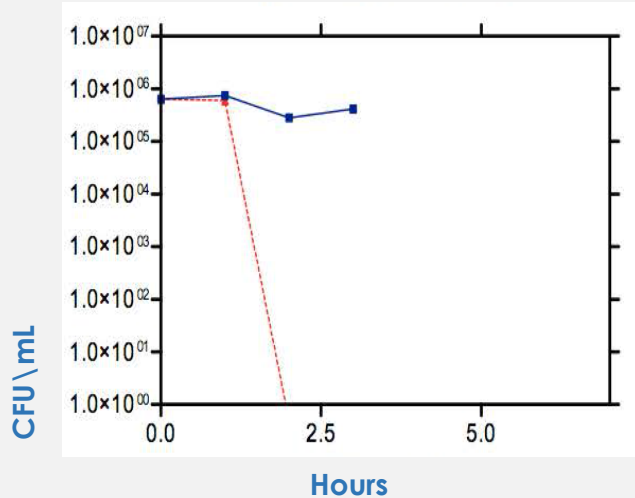
\*~ 10 hr exposure

\*\* Experiment was done by Pulmonox Technologies



# Broad Spectrum Against Many Different Bacteria

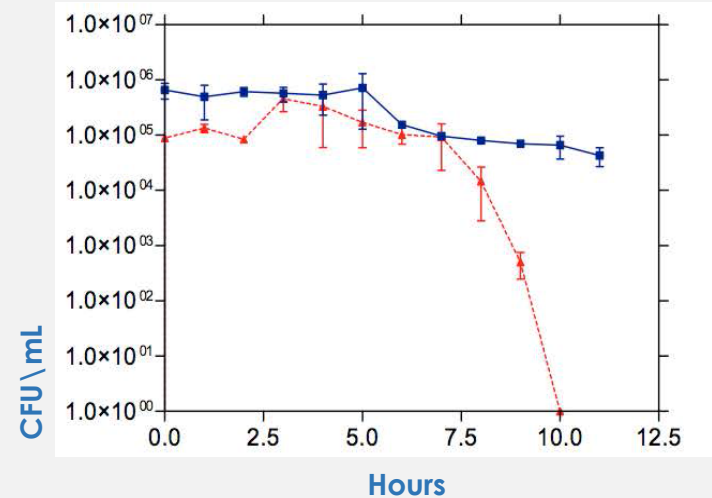
## Chart 1: B Streptococcus



### Additional Bacteria

1. *S. aureus*
2. *P. aeruginosa*
3. *S. marcescens*
4. *Klebsiella*
5. *S. maltophilia*
6. *E. aerogenes*
7. *A. baumannii*
8. MRSA
9. *C. albicans*
10. *E. coli*

## Chart 2: Mycobacterium Smegmatis



- Nitric Oxide demonstrated efficacy against many different types of bacteria and viruses (in vitro)\*
- Exposure time to eliminate bacteria ranged from 2hr (min) in chart 1 up to 10hr (max) in chart 2
- All of the additional bacteria mentioned below have elimination times between the min and max