

Clinical considerations to perform phage therapy clinical trials in patients with prosthetic joint infection

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Prosthetic joint infection

NIH U.S. National Library of Medicine

ClinicalTrials.gov

- **Osteomyelitis: 68**
- **Prosthetic-joint infection: 68**
- Meningitis: 348
- Urinary tract infection: 348
- Tuberculosis: 915
- Influenza: 2'152

Few patients per surgeon or per hospital
Rate of infection after arthroplasty ~1-2%

"Patients are scattered"

**Why and How
considering
phage therapy?**

Various surgeries

- Implant retention
- 1-stage exchange
- 2-stage exchange

Various antibiotics

- Combination?
- Duration?

Evaluation of the outcome at 1 or 2 years

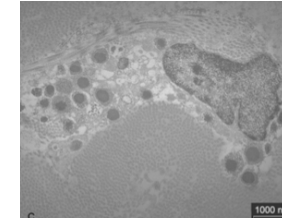
"The neglected infectious disease of industrialized countries"

"A complex disease that needs medicosurgical treatment and a prolonged follow-up"

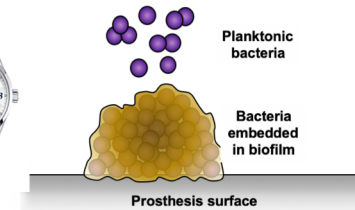
Why?

Prosthetic joint infection

- One of the most difficult-to-treat ID
- Bacterial mechanisms of persistence
- Intracellular survival (*S. aureus*)
- Implant surface (biofilm)



Sendi et al.
Clin Infect Dis
2006



Josse et al.
Front Microb
2019

Positive infectious outcome in only 20 to 80%
Risk for relapse and microbiological persistence
Risk for superinfection (new infection)

Why?



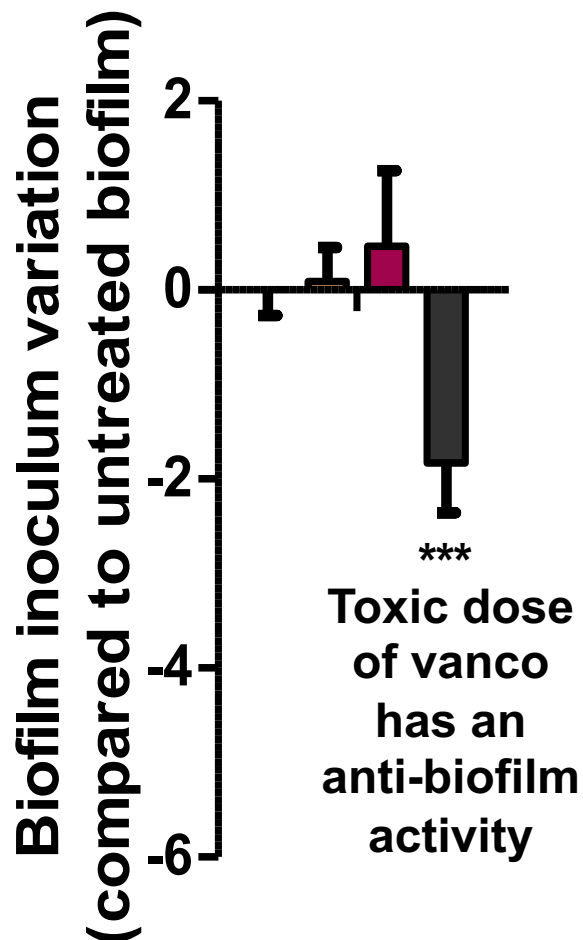
No Antibiotic

MIC

C_{bone} (4*MIC)

10*MIC

vancomycin



Why?

C. Kolenda et al. Antimicrob Agents Chemother 2019

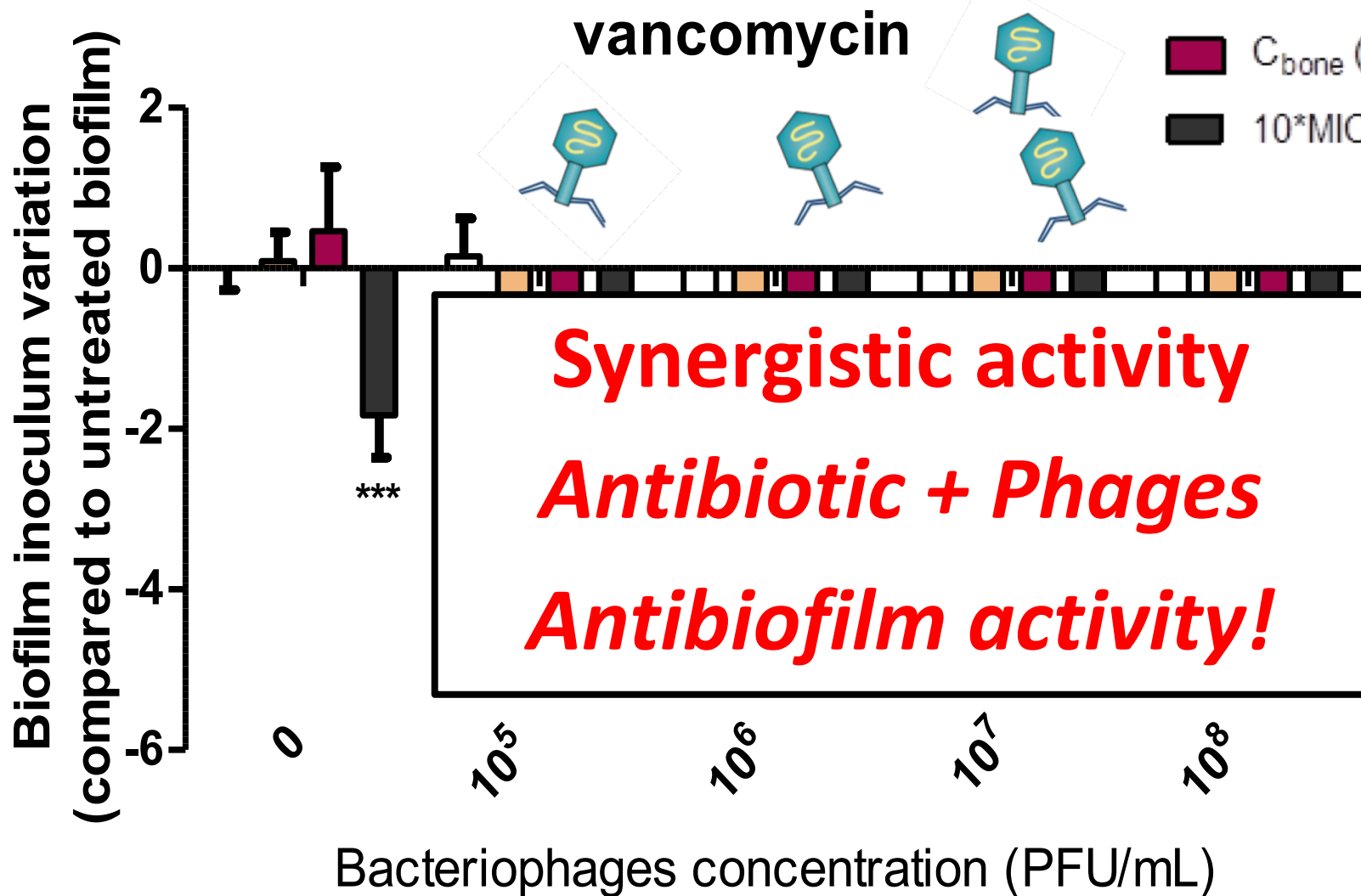


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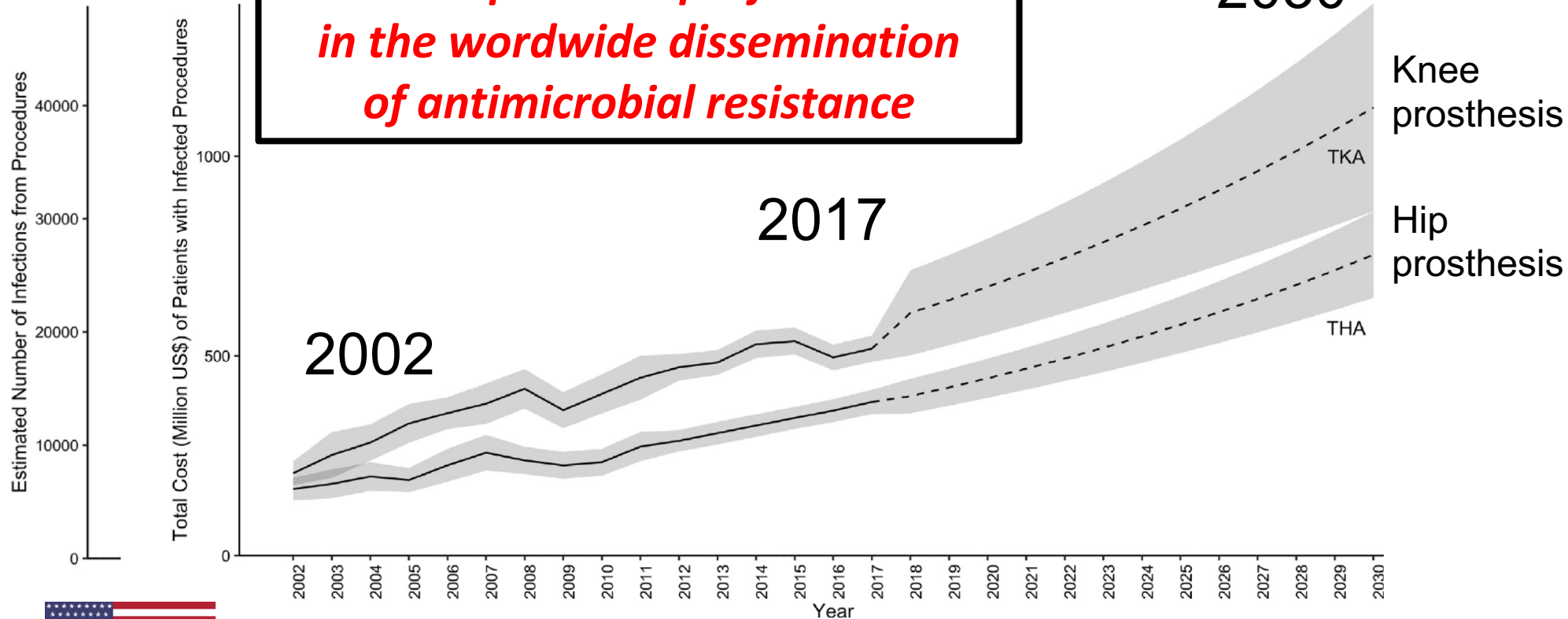
Why?

Projected Economic Burden of Periprosthetic Joint Infection of the Hip and Knee in the United States

Ajay Premkumar, MD, MPH ^{a,*}, David A. Kolin, MSc ^b, Kevin X. Farley, BS ^c,
Jacob M. Wilson, MD ^d, Alexander S. McLawhorn, MD, MBA ^a, Michael B. Cross, MD ^a,
Peter K. Sculco, MD ^a

Number

\$



Why?





antibiotics 2020



Case Report

Salvage Bacteriophage Therapy for a Chronic MRSA Prosthetic Joint Infection

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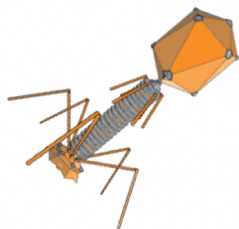
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2020



Open Forum Infectious Diseases

BRIEF REPORT



Salvage Debridement, Antibiotics and Implant Retention (“DAIR”) With Local Injection of a Selected Cocktail of Bacteriophages: Is It an Option for an Elderly Patient With Relapsing *Staphylococcus aureus* Prosthetic-Joint Infection?

2018

Phage Therapy for Limb-threatening Prosthetic Knee *Klebsiella pneumoniae* Infection: Case Report and In Vitro Characterization of Anti-biofilm Activity

Edison J. Cano,^{1,2} Katherine M. Caffisch,^{2,3} Paul L. Bollyky,⁴ Jonas D. Van Belleghem,⁴ Robin Patel,^{1,2,5} Joseph Fackler,⁶ Michael J. Brownstein,⁶ Bri'Anna Horne,⁶ Biswajit Biswas,⁷ Matthew Henry,^{7,8} Francisco Malagon,⁷ David G. Lewallen,⁹ and Gina A. Suh¹

The Potential Innovative Use of Bacteriophages Within the DAC[®] Hydrogel to Treat Patients With Knee Megaprosthesis Infection Requiring “Debridement Antibiotics and Implant Retention” and Soft Tissue Coverage as Salvage Therapy

2020

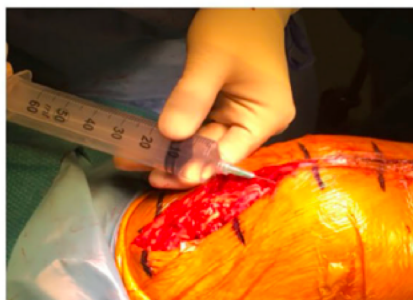
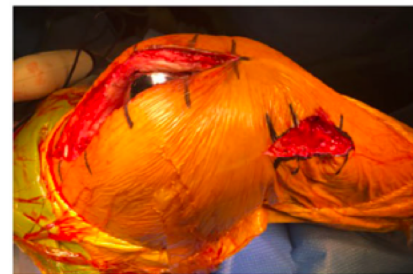
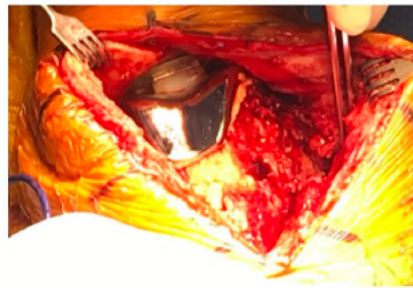
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Why?

Phage Therapy as Adjuvant to Conservative Surgery and Antibiotics to Salvage Patients With Relapsing *S. aureus* Prosthetic Knee Infection

frontiers
in Medicine
2021

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BUT

Only case reports with a positive outcome are usually published

We also have to learn a lot from patients who experienced a failure

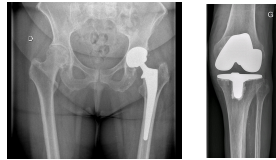
Accumulating data from compassionate cases is crucial

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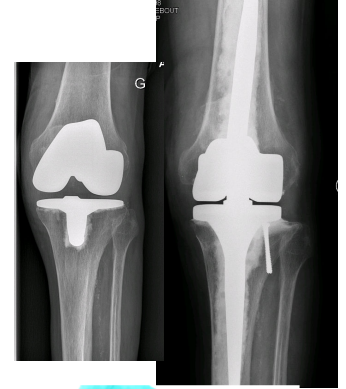
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Type of prosthesis

Hip/knee



Primary/Revision



Type of infection



Acute
(biofilm +)



Chronic
(biofilm ++++)



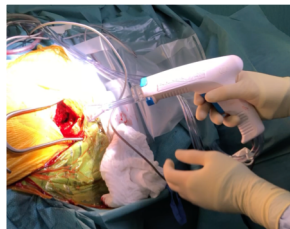
Pathogen



S. aureus *E. coli* *K. pneumoniae* *P. aeruginosa* ...
CoNS *Streptococcus* spp. *Enterococcus* spp. *C. acnes*

Surgical treatment

DAIR



1-stage
exchange

2-stage
exchange

Mechanical eradication
of biofilm



Antibiotics



SOC Rifampin Fluoroquinolone

Antibiotic duration

≤ 6 weeks

8 weeks

12 weeks

SAT

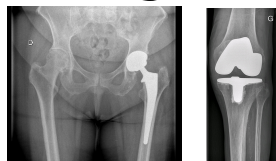
DAIR = Debridement Antibiotics and Implant Retention; SAT = Suppressive Antimicrobial Therapy

How?

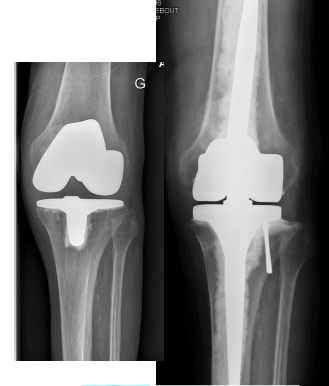
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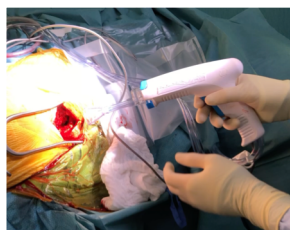
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Select an homogenous clinical condition

How?

Determine the best way of phage administration

Local injections?

Before

Concentration?

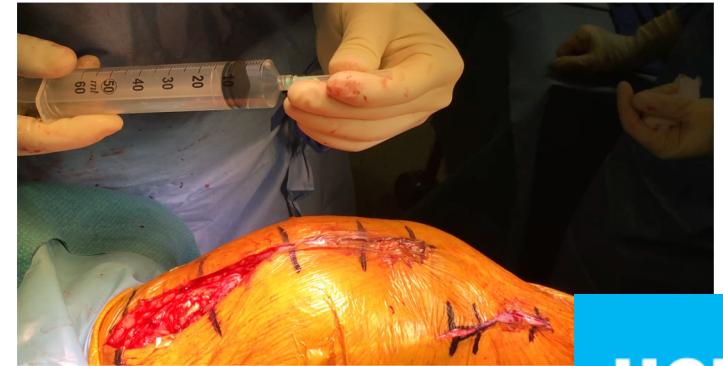
During

Surgery?

After

Number of Administrations?

Intravenous administrations?



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How?

Empirical of targeted Phage therapy?

Empirical

Fixed cocktail targeting bacteria?

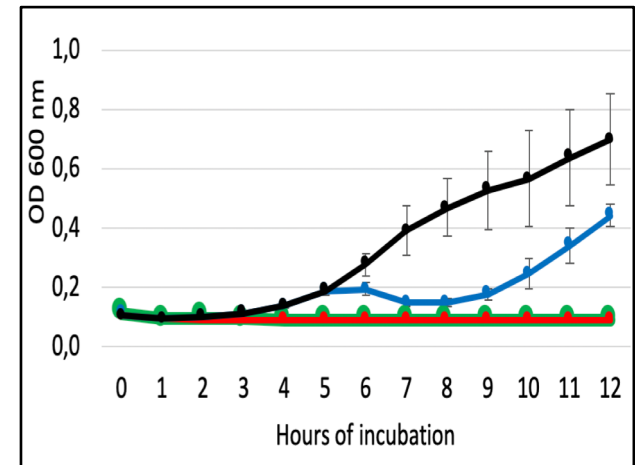
Targeted

Fixed cocktail?

Phagogram-based cocktail?

Empirical

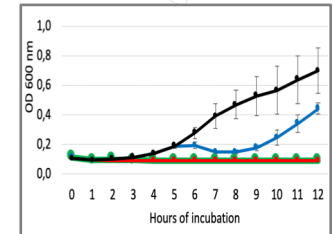
followed by targeted?



Conclusion



- Real **rationale** for the use of phage therapy in patients with PJI
 - Phage target biofilm
 - Severe disease
 - Increasing incidence and cost
- But PJI is a **complex** and **heterogenous** infection
- With several simultaneous interventions
 - Surgery
 - Antibiotics
- Phage therapy clinical trials are required
- Choosing the **most relevant clinical situation** is required to demonstrate the adding value of Phage



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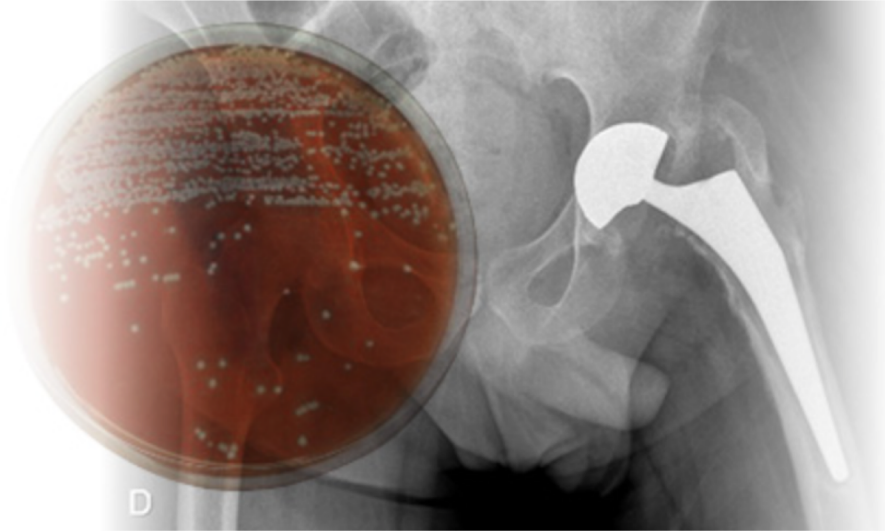
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