2014 2015 STD Treatment Guidelines
What’s New?

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In Focus

STDPOdcast: Dr. Khalil Ghanem on Ocular Syphilis

Last week, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention sent out a clinical advisory on an apparent increase in ocular syphilis in the United States. According to the Advisory: “Since December 2014, at least 15 cases of ocular syphilis from California and Washington have been reported to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. At least five other states have suspect cases under investigation. The majority of cases have been among MSM with HIV; and a

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(accept no competitors)

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STD Treatment Mobile app

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Condition Quick Pick

- Assault - Sexual
- Bacterial Vaginosis
- Candidiasis - Vulvovaginal
- Cervicitis
- Chancroid
- Chlamydia
- Epididymitis
- Gonorrhea
- Granuloma Inguinale

Treatment Information

Condition Quick Pick > Chlamydia > Adolescents & Adults

Recommended Regimens

- Azithromycin 1 g orally in a single dose
- OR
- Doxycycline 100 mg orally twice a day for 7 days

Alternative Regimens

- Erythromycin base 500 mg orally four times a day for 7 days
STD Prevention – Key Principles

- Counseling to reduce STD acquisition
- Screening of asymptomatic persons
- Diagnosis and treatment of symptoms
- Management of sex partners
- Vaccination
  - HPV
  - Hepatitis A & B
INTRODUCTORY SECTIONS
Clinical Prevention Guidance

- Behavioral and biologic risk assessment
- High intensity behavioral counseling (USPSTF)
- Pre-exposure vaccination (HPV, HAV, HBV)
- Male latex condoms
- Male circumcision
- Microbicides
- Emergency contraception

- Pre-exposure prophylaxis for HIV
- Retesting after treatment
Special Populations

- Pregnant women
- Adolescents
- Children
- Persons in Correctional Facilities
- MSM
- WSW
- Transgender Men and Women
Partner Management

- Counsel on importance to client, partner(s), and community
  - Bring in your own partner (BYOP)

- Expedited partner therapy
  (www.cdc.gov/std/ept)

- Internet partner notification
  (www.inspot.org)

- Future technologies (social media)
Chlamydia and Gonorrhea Screening

- Annual screening of sexually active women <25
- Screening of older women at increased risk
  - New sex partner, partner with concurrent partners or more than one partner, or partner with an STI
- Screening older women at low risk of infection not recommended
- CT screening sexually active men
  - Insufficient evidence for general screening; Consider in high prevalence (adolescent clinics, corrections, STD clinics)
- GC screening in men not recommended
Chlamydia—Rates of Reported Cases Among Women by Age Group, 2004–2014*

*percent change during 2013–2014

Rate per 100,000

- 20–24: ↓0.8%
- 15–19: ↓6.1%
- 25–29: ↑34.8%
- 30+: ↑6.1%

2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014†

†2014 data are preliminary as of 5/6/2015
Chlamydia Screening Among Family Planning Clients (Title X) and Among Sexually-Active* Women enrolled in Medicaid (HEDIS), 2005–2013

*Among women enrolled in Medicaid plans who had a visit where they were determined to be sexually active

GONORRHEA MANAGEMENT CHALLENGES:
LIMITED TREATMENT OPTIONS
GISP Sites and Regional Laboratories
United States, 2013

Regional Labs
- Birmingham
- Atlanta
- Seattle
- Baltimore
- Austin
Proportion of isolates with Elevated MICs to Cefixime (≥ 0.25 μg/ml)

n=54,886

1.8% (n=32)

Source: Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project
Antibiotic Resistance Threats in the U.S., 2013

Seven Threat Assessment Criteria:
- Clinical impact
- Economic impact
- Incidence
- 10-year projection of incidence
- Transmissibility
- Availability of effective antibiotics
- Barriers to prevention

Three Urgent Threats:
- *Clostridium difficile*
- *Carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae*
- Drug-resistant *Neisseria gonorrhoeae*
Combination GC Therapy Trial

- Two antimicrobial regimens
  1. gentamicin (240mg IM or 5 mg/kg IM) + azithromycin 2 gm PO
  2. gemifloxacin 320 mg PO + azithromycin 2 gm PO

- Rationale for regimens
  - Additive effect between gentamicin and azithromycin (in vitro)
  - Gemifloxacin more active against GC with known cipro resistance or mutations in the GyrA and ParC regions (in vitro)
  - Both drugs effective against GC and cover CT
  - One regimen is entirely oral and available in U.S.

- Randomized/open-label/non-comparative trial

- Men and women with uncomplicated urogenital gonorrhea (culture-positive) and return for test-of-cure in 10–17 days

- Outcomes:
  - Microbiological cure
  - Tolerability and microbiological cure of non-genital infections
Percentage of Participants with Microbiological Cure at 10–17 days

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<td>Pharynx</td>
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<td>Rectum</td>
<td>1/1 100%</td>
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Kirkcaldy RD et al. Clinical Trial Evaluating the Efficacy of Gentamicin/Azithromycin and Gemifloxacin/Azithromycin Combination Therapies as an Alternative Regimen for Gonorrhea. ISSTDR, Vienna 2013
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<td>n=202 (%)</td>
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<td>Nausea</td>
<td>56 (27.7)</td>
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<td>Vomiting</td>
<td>15 (7.4)*</td>
<td>10 (5.0)**</td>
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<td>Diarrhea</td>
<td>39 (18.9)</td>
<td>46 (23.2)</td>
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<td>Abdominal Discomfort</td>
<td>15 (7.5)</td>
<td>21 (10.5)</td>
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<td>Any GI AE***</td>
<td>94 (47)</td>
<td>109 (54.8)</td>
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- * 10/305 (3.3%) ineligible/discontinued vomited within 1 hour
- ** 23/298 (7.7%) ineligible/discontinued vomited within 1 hour
- *** nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain/discomfort

Nearly all were mild-moderate
No serious adverse events occurred

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Alternative Treatment Approaches Until Newer Agents or Diagnostics Available

- Increase dose or duration of cephalosporin
- Antimicrobial susceptibility profile directed therapy
  - 68% of isolates are susceptible to all antimicrobials
  - Most infections diagnosed with NAAT (no AST data)
- Antibiotic cycling
- Dual therapy
  - Ceftriaxone + azithromycin or doxycycline
Gonorrhea Treatment
Uncomplicated Genital, Rectal, or Pharyngeal Infections

Ceftriaxone 250 mg IM
in a single dose

Azithromycin
1 g orally
(preferred)
or
Doxycycline 100 mg
BID x 7 days*

CDC 2010 STD Treatment Guidelines
www.cdc.gov/std/treatment

PLUS*

* Regardless of CT test result

Proposed: Doxycycline may be removed from recommended to alternative
Gonorrhea Treatment Alternatives
Anogenital Infections

ALTERNATIVE CEPHALOSPORINS:

- Cefixime 400 mg orally once

  PLUS

- Dual treatment with azithromycin 1 g (preferred) or doxycycline 100 mg BID x 7 days, regardless of CT test result

IN CASE OF SEVERE ALLERGY:

- Azithromycin 2 g orally once

  (Caution: GI intolerance, emerging resistance)

Prior TOC recommendation: Test of cure in 1 week for anyone treated w/ alternative regimens

Proposed: Limit TOC only to pharyngeal GC treated with alternative regimen, may extend interval to 14 days

MMWR 2012 / 61(31);590-594
Evolving Landscape of EPT, 2006 – March 2015: Legal Status Summary

2006

- EPT is Permissible
- EPT is Likely Prohibited
- EPT is Potentially Allowable

March 2015

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(Baltimore only)
The Effectiveness of Expedited Partner Treatment on Re-Infection Rates

GONORRHEA
P = 0.02

CHLAMYDIA
P = 0.17

Usual Care
EPT
Usual Care
EPT
11%
13%
11%
3%

Chlamydia Treatment

- Self-collected vaginal swabs for NAATs
- Effectiveness of azithromycin may be less than doxycycline
  - Data from one NGU trial and several rectal infection studies
  - Meta-analysis of 23 RCTs by Hocking et al showed pooled cure rates: doxy 97.5%, azithro 94.4%
- Doxycycline delayed-release 200mg tablet daily for 7 days
  - Equally efficacious to generic doxycycline 100mg BID x 7 days
  - Less GI side effects but costly
- Amoxicillin moved to alternative regimen in pregnancy
  - Chlamydia persistence in vitro with PCN treatment
  - Earlier amoxicillin Rx studies in CT in pregnancy had limitations
  - RCT by Kacmar et al showed higher TOC with azithro (95%) vs. amox (80%)
Extragenital Testing for Chlamydia and Gonorrhea
STD Surveillance Network (SSuN)—Proportion of MSM* Attending STD Clinics with Primary and Secondary Syphilis, Gonorrhea or Chlamydia by HIV Status, 2010

* MSM = men who have sex with men.
† HIV negative status includes persons of unknown status for this analysis.
‡ GC urethral and CT urethral include results from both urethral and urine specimens.
Chlamydia and Gonorrhea Infections: Proportion not identified if screening MSM only at urine/urethral sites

Kent, CK et al, *Clin Infect Dis* July 2005
NAAT Testing, Extragenital Sites

- Validation procedures can be done by labs to allow use of a non-FDA-cleared test or application
- Multiple commercial labs currently provide gonorrhea/chlamydia NAAT for rectal/pharyngeal specimens
Self-Collection of Rectal Swabs for STD Screening

- Among ~900 MSM asked to self-collect samples for performance of BD ProbeTec (SDA) assays and APTIMA COMBO-2 (AC2)
  - Prevalence of CT = 7.3%
  - Prevalence of GC = 9.4%
- Sensitivities comparable to clinician-collected swabs
  - CT: 41% vs. 44% by SDA; 71% vs. 82% by AC2
  - GC: 77% vs. 68% by SDA; 84% vs. 78% by AC2
- Both assays far superior to culture for both organisms
- Acceptable to most MSM studied (82%)

Moncada *Sex Transm Infect* 2009; Wayal *Sex Transm Infect* 2009;
NAAT Laboratory Ordering and Billing Codes

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<tr>
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<th>Company-Specific Ordering Codes for Combined GC/CT Nucleic Acid Amplified Tests (NAATs)</th>
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NAATs are offered at (or from) any location in the country with these two codes.

For information on specimen collection and transportation, clinicians should contact the local reference laboratory representative.

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<td>CT detection by NAAT</td>
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<td>GC detection by NAAT</td>
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CLIA verified labs* for non-genital NAATs: [www.nnptc.org/PHLabs.html](http://www.nnptc.org/PHLabs.html)
Syphilis:

- Serologic response after treatment
  - 17-21% with early syphilis will not achieve a four-fold decline in nontreponemal titer at 6 months

- Role of reverse screening algorithm

- Neurosyphilis definition
  - Neurologic or ocular signs/Sx +
  - Reactive RPR +
  - CSF test abnormalities
Algorithm for reverse sequence syphilis screening

Evaluate clinically, determine if treated for syphilis in the past, assess risk of infection, and administer therapy according to CDC’s STD Treatment Guidelines if not previously treated.

If incubating or primary syphilis is suspected, treat with benzathine penicillin G 2.4 million units IM x 1 and/or repeat in 1-2 weeks.

If at risk for syphilis, repeat RPR in 2 to 4 weeks.
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<th>Population</th>
<th>Test</th>
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<td>Overall</td>
<td>Various</td>
<td>140,176</td>
<td>4,834</td>
<td>3.4</td>
<td>2,743</td>
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<td>Low prevalence (Kaiser x 3)</td>
<td>Trep-Chek, LIAISON, Trep-Sure</td>
<td>127,402</td>
<td>2,984</td>
<td>2.3</td>
<td>1,807</td>
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<td>High prevalence (New York, Chicago)</td>
<td>Trep-Chek, Trep-Sure</td>
<td>12,774</td>
<td>1,850</td>
<td>14.5</td>
<td>936</td>
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High EIA/CIA Index Values May Predict TP-PA Positivity (n=255)

N=79 individuals with CIA index value >12.0; 100% were TP-PA positive
Syphilis Treatment
Primary, Secondary, Early Latent

- Penicillin treatment of choice +/- HIV
  - Benz PCN 2.4 mu IM x 1
  - No benefit of additional therapy

- PCN alternatives
  - Doxycycline, ceftriaxone
  - Azithromycin 2 gm (A2058G mutation/tx failure)
    - MSM>MSW
    - Do not use azithromycin in MSM or pregnancy

- PCN is the only option in pregnancy
Congenital Syphilis (CS) Rate* and Rate of Primary and Secondary (P&S) Syphilis Among Females †—United States, 2008–2014 §

*Cases of CS per 100,000 live births. Natality data available at [http://wonder.cdc.gov/natality-current.html](http://wonder.cdc.gov/natality-current.html)


§ CS rates and P&S Syphilis rates for 2014 were calculated using preliminary 2014 cases counts as of March 12, 2015 & 2013 denominators.
T. VAGINALIS INFECTION
Diagnostic Tests for Trichomoniasis

• Wet mount microscopy only 50-65% sensitivity

• Culture (sensitivity 75-96%; specificity ~100%)

• FDA-cleared NAATs:
  – APTIMA (sensitivity and specificity >95%)
    • vaginal/cervical swabs; urine
    • Can be used for men if CLIA validated
  – BD Probe Tec TV
    • Vaginal/cervical swabs; urine
Diagnostic Tests for Trichomoniasis

• FDA-cleared antigen detection test
  – OSOM (sensitivity 82-95%; specificity 97-100%)
    • Dip stick rapid test; could be used for self-testing in women;
    • not FDA cleared for men
  – AFFIRM VP III (sensitivity 63%; specificity 99.9%)
    • Also tests for Gardnerella and Candida
    • Not FDA cleared for men
T. vaginalis Infection Management

- Lack data that screening and treatment reduces adverse events or disparities
  - Consider in high-prevalence settings (e.g., correctional facilities, STD clinics), or individuals at high risk for infection

- Retest women 3 months after TV treatment
  - NAATS may be done 2 weeks after treatment
**T. vaginalis Infection Management**

- Tx Metronidazole 2 g or Tinidazole 2 gm
- Nitroimidazole resistance 4-10% (Kirkaldy 2012, Schwebke 2006)
  - Call CDC for management of nitroimidazole-resistant TV
- Treat Sex Partners
**T vaginalis** and HIV infection in Women

- **TV is an independent risk factor for HIV acquisition**
  
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<td>TV increases probability of acquiring HIV</td>
<td>OR 2.6 (CI:1.4–4.7)</td>
<td>Hughes, 2012</td>
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<td>TV-infected women more likely to test positive for HIV</td>
<td>HR 2.1 (CI:1.1–4.0)</td>
<td>Mavedzenge, 2010</td>
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<td>TV infection associated with incident HIV in women</td>
<td>OR 2.7 (CI:1.3–6.0)</td>
<td>Van der Pol, 2008</td>
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- **Maternal TV is a risk factor for vertical transmission**

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<td>Maternal TV increases HIV vertical transmission risk</td>
<td>RR 1.7 (CI:1.0–2.9)</td>
<td>Gumbo, 2010</td>
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- **Treating TV reduces genital HIV shedding**

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<td>Women treated for TV less likely to shed HIV vaginally</td>
<td>RR 0.3 (CI:0.1–0.9)</td>
<td>Kissinger, 2009</td>
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<td>Genital viral load decreases 0.5 (log_{10}) after TV treatment</td>
<td>P&lt;0.01</td>
<td>Anderson, 2012</td>
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**T vaginalis** and HIV infection

- Women with HIV infection should receive TV screening at entry to care and annually if sexually active
  - Associated with PID (Moodley 2002)
  - Treatment reduces genital HIV shedding (Kissinger 2009, Anderson 2012)
  - Question if HIV-infected, pregnant women should be screened at mid-gestation for TV

- Longer treatment course better in women with HIV
  - Metronidazole 500mg BID x7d (vs. 2g)-less TV at TOC/3 mo *(Kissinger, 2010)*
  - Potential factors- BV infection, changes in vaginal ecology, ARVs

- Retest women 3 mo after treatment

- No data to recommend screening or extended treatment in men with HIV
HPV INFECTION
HPV Infection Management

- HPV Vaccine recommendations updated per ACIP
  - Routine quadrivalent (HPV4) vaccination of males at age 11-12, catch up to 21 years and through age 26 years for MSM and HIV-infected

- 9-valent HPV Vaccine (HPV9) updated per ACIP discussion
  - Age groups:
    - Currently HPV4 recommended age groups vs only in the current HPV9 licensed age groups (i.e., through age 15 for males)
  - Revaccination:
    - No recommendation for routine revaccination with HPV9 vs recommend against revaccination
  - 2-dose schedule: (deferred to June meeting)
HPV Vaccine Communications during the Healthcare Encounter

- HPV vaccine is often presented as ‘optional’ whereas other adolescent vaccines are recommended
- Parents expressed mixed or negative opinions about the vaccine: ‘new vaccine’; concerns over safety/efficacy
- When parents expressed reluctance, providers were hesitant to engage in discussion
- Some providers shared parent’s views that teen was not at risk for HPV and could delay vaccination until older

Goff, et al. Vaccine 2011
Hughes, et al. BMC Pediatrics 2011
Tips for Talking to Parents about HPV Vaccine
Risk to Healthcare Workers Treating Genital Warts

- HPV DNA can be found in smoke plumes after laser or electrosurgical therapy on EGW, CIN, common warts
- 2 case reports of laryngeal papillomas reported in HCW exposed to smoke plumes during treatment of GW
- Appropriate infection control to prevent possible transmission for anogenital warts and anogenital intraepithelial neoplasias (e.g. CIN) with CO2 laser or electrosurgical procedures
  - local exhaust ventilation- smoke evacuator
HPV Infection Management

- Podophyllin resin 10-25% moved to “alternative therapy” for genital warts
  - Case reports of adverse systemic toxicity with misuse
- Case reports of inflammatory responses to imiquimod
  - Worsened inflammatory or autoimmune skin disease
    - psoriasis, vitiligo, and lichenoid dermatoses
- Additional formulation of imiquimod
  - 3.75% cream applied daily
Treatment for Genital Warts

• 2015 Recommendation
  – Patient applied
    • Podofilox 0.5% solution or gel
    OR
    • Imiquimod 3.75% or 5% cream
    OR
    • Sinecatechins 15% ointment
Treatment for Genital Warts
GENITAL HERPES
Genital Herpes

- Increasing proportion of anogenital infections HSV-1 (young females, MSM)
- IgM testing not useful
- Type specific serologic tests
  - HerpeSelect HSV-2 ELISA may be false + at low index values (1.2-3.5)- confirmed with Biokit or WB
  - HerpeSelect HSV-1 ELISA insensitive for HSV-1 (80%)
  - Head to head comparison of type specific assays vs WB
- No change in recommended therapy
  - Famiclovir is out of alphabetical
NEW SECTIONS
Proposed New Section: Emerging Issues

- Role of *Mycoplasma genitalium*
  - Good evidence for role in urethritis (20%)
  - May play role in cervicitis and PID
  - No commercially-available test for *M. genitalium* (in house NAATs)
- Treatment implications
  - Azithromycin > doxycycline because of resistance to doxycycline
  - Conflicting data on single dose vs extended dosing
  - Emerging resistance to azithromycin
  - Moxifloxacin 400 mg po for 7-14 days has been studied as an alternative (cure rates 85-100%)
The Role of *Mycoplasma genitalium* in urethritis and cervicitis
**M. genitalium**

- Causes 15-20% of NGU cases and 30% of persistent/recurrent urethritis
- Pathogenic role in women is less clear:
  - Can be detected in 10%-30% of women with cervicitis
  - Appears to be more common in women with than women without cervicitis
  - May play a role in PID and infertility
  - Very little data on ectopic pregnancy
M. Genitalium - diagnostics

- Difficult to culture (can take up to 6 months)
- Some laboratories have developed in-house PCRs for research purposes
- No commercial NAATs yet available
M. genitalium - Treatment

- 7-day doxycycline treatment is largely ineffective
- Azithromycin is more effective but resistance appears to be rapidly emerging (>50% in some settings)
- Moxifloxacin (400 mg x 7, 10 or 14 days) has been successfully used and may be indicated in patients who fail standard treatment for NGU or PID
Treatment Results

- **C. trachomatis**
  - Azithromycin: 86%
  - Doxycycline: 90%

- **M. genitalium**
  - Azithromycin: 40%
  - Doxycycline: 30%

- **U. urealyticum**
  - Azithromycin: 75%
  - Doxycycline: 70%

- **Clinical Cure**
  - Azithromycin: 80%
  - Doxycycline: 76%

Proposed New Section: Emerging Issues

- Sexually acquired HCV
  - Unprotected receptive anal intercourse
  - Rough or poorly lubricated unprotected anal penetration (fisting)
  - Ulcerative STIs (syphilis, LGV)

- HCV Screening in MSM
  - At initial evaluation and at least annually
  - More frequently depending on risk factors and local HCV prevalence

- Acute HCV may be HCV Ab negative (CD4 <200)
  - HCV RNA with new LFT elevation
Updated Recommendations for Diagnostic Evaluation of Urethritis
Diagnostic Criteria for Urethritis

• Mucopurulent or purulent discharge on examination

• Grams stain of urethral secretions demonstrating \( >2 \) WBCs per oil immersion field

• Positive leucocyte esterase test on first-voided urine

• Microscopic examination of first-voided urine sediment demonstrating \( \geq 10 \) WBCs/OIF
Gram Stain Diagnosis of NGU

N = 11,422 Gram Stains
Retesting to Detect Repeat Infection
Retesting Recommendations

• Any patient who tests positive for chlamydia or gonorrhea should be rescreened 3 months after treatment

• Women who test positive for trichomonas should rescreened at 3 months

• Any patient diagnosed with syphilis should undergo follow-up serologic syphilis testing per current recommendations
Don’t forget the triple dip

- Syphilis serology
- Pharyngeal GC
- Urine GC/CT
- Rectal GC/CT
Thanks

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