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Current Trends in NTM Lung Disease

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NTM-LD learning objectives

- Describe trends in the incidence and prevalence of NTM-LD
- Identify risk factors for NTM-LD



WHO definition of epidemiology

• Epidemiology is the study of the distribution and determinants of health-related states or events (including disease), and the application of this study to the control of diseases and other health problems. Various methods can be used to carry out epidemiological investigations: surveillance and descriptive studies can be used to study distribution; analytical studies are used to study determinants.



NTM Lung Disease (NTM-LD)

- NTM=nontuberculous mycobacteria
 - "MOTT" mycobacteria other than tuberculosis
 - "atypical" mycobacteria
 - Excludes *M. tuberculosis* complex, *M. leprae* (Hansen's Disease)
- Ubiquitous in soil, water
- *M. avium* complex (MAC) most common
- M. abscessus
- Rarely M. xenopi, M. kansaii
- Today: NTM-LD (also see as NTM-PD/PNTM), rare, chronic lung infection
- X- Extrapulmonary



Diagnosis of NTM-LD

Laboratory

data only





Treatment of Nontuberculous Mycobacterial Pulmonary Disease: An Official ATS/ERS/ESCMID/IDSA Clinical Practice Guideline

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Table 2. Clinical and Microbiologic Criteria for Diagnosis of Nontuberculous Mycobacterial Pulmonary Disease^a

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Abbreviation: AFB, acid-fast bacilli; NTM, Nontuberculous mycobacteria.

*Expert consultation should be obtained when NTM are recovered that are either infrequently encountered or that usually represent environmental contamination. Patients who are suspected of having NTM pulmonary disease but do not meet the diagnostic criteria should be followed until the diagnosis is firmly established or excluded. Making the diagnosis of NTM pulmonary disease does not per se, necessitate the institution of therapy, which is a decision based on the potential risks and benefits of therapy for individual patients. ^bWhen 2 positive cultures are obtained, the isolates should be the same NTM species (or subspecies in the case of *M. abscessus*) in order to meet disease criteria.

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American Thoracic Society Documents

An Official ATS/IDSA Statement: Diagnosis, Treatment, and Prevention of Nontuberculous Mycobacterial Diseases

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Natural history of MAC-LD



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Incidence and Prevalence of NTM-LD



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Surveillance of NTM-LD

- Useful to track trends, identify clusters
- NTM considerations
 - Completeness of laboratory reporting/speciation
 - Meaning of single isolation?
 - ATS/IDSA microbiologic criteria- 2 sputum, 1 BAL/wash/biopsy
 - Chronic infection- once diagnosed, how long counted as case?
 - Exclude *M. gordonae*
- Accuracy of denominator?
- Clinical characteristics available?



States Requiring Reporting of NTM, 2017



N = 11 require reporting



States With Reporting of NTM, 2023



N = 14 with some form of NTM reporting





NTM in Wisconsin 2011-2018

- Notifiable disease
- Over 8000 isolates from 6811 adults
 - 90.2% of isolates respiratory
 - MAC 76.4%
 - *M. chelonae-abscessus* group 7.3%
 - *M. xenopi* 9.4%
 - M. kansasii 3.7%
- Cumulative incidence 137/100,000 (134-141)
 - Similar male and female
 - Highest in Black (202 [184-219]/100,000) and Asian (238 [208-268]/100,000) populations
- Annual incidence stable





NTM in Wisconsin 2011-2018 – Cumulative Incidence by Race and Area Deprivation Index Score



ADI Score: Kind AJH, Buckingham W. <u>Making</u> <u>Neighborhood Disadvantage Metrics Accessible: The</u> <u>Neighborhood Atlas</u>. *New England Journal of Medicine*, 2018. 378: 2456-2458. DOI: 10.1056/NEJMp1802313. PMCID: PMC6051533. AND University of Wisconsin School of Medicine Public Health. 2015 Area Deprivation Index v2.0. Downloaded from https://www.neighborhoodatlas.medicine.wisc.edu/ May 23, 2019.



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CDC NTM Surveillance

https://www.cdc.gov/hai/eip/ntm.html

- Emerging Infections Program Healthcare-Associated Infections Community Interface (HAIC) NTM surveillance program piloted 2019-2020
 - Ongoing surveillance in four EIP sites
 - Data from this project will inform policy and prevention strategies to reduce NTM infections
 - First publication in press at Clinical Infectious Diseases

Objectives

- Describe the epidemiology of pulmonary and extrapulmonary NTM infections
- Describe microbiologic characteristics of public health relevance
- Evaluate antimicrobial susceptibility of organisms causing NTM infections
- Characterize the molecular epidemiology of NTM

Case Definition

- Prevalent case: NTM identified from the same infection category (i.e., pulmonary or extrapulmonary) during the 12 months before the date of index specimen collection (DISC).
- Incident case: no NTM were identified during the 12 months before the DISC.



CDC NTM Surveillance

Surveillance Areas		
Site	Estimated Population Under Surveillance: Pulmonary NTM	Estimated Population Under Surveillance: Extrapulmonary NTM
Colorado (5 counties)	2,835,257*	2,835,257*
Minnesota (2 counties)	1,816,164*	1,816,164*
New York (2 counties)	1,047,276	1,047,276
Oregon (3 counties PNTM; statewide ENTM)	1,832,634	4,217,737*

Surveillance Areas *NTM reportable in the catchment area

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CDC NTM Surveillance

- 6-month pilot results in press: Grigg et al. CID 2023
- Annualized prevalence 6.1/100,000
- N=231 NTM-LD cases defined by <u>microbiologic criteria</u> from 420 patients with pulmonary specimens
 - 87% had signs or symptoms
 - 63% female
 - 74% white, not (known to be) Hispanic (xx% missing)
 - 55% met (modified) ATS/IDSA disease criteria, 80% had clinician diagnosis
- 72% MAC
 - 48% treated with at least 1 antibiotic, 18% guideline-based therapy
- Exposure history limited
- Surveillance ongoing since 2021



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Isolation prevalence



Figure. Annual isolation prevalence and disease prevalence per 100,000 persons of pulmonary nontuberculous mycobacteria, Ontario, Canada, 1998–2010.



Oregon statewide study, 2007-2012

Henkle et al. Ann Am Thorac Soc Vol 12, No 5, pp 642–647, May 2015

- Data source: all positive AFB lab results from 17 local/reference labs used in OR
- Case definition: ATS/IDSA microbiologic criteria, excluding M. gordonae
- Denominator: statewide population estimates
- Incidence and prevalence calculations
 - 2-year lag consider case "incident"
- 1146 pulmonary cases
- 57% BAL, 43% sputum
- 55% female
- Species
 - 85% MAC
 - 6% *M. abscessus/chelonae* complex
 - 1% each M. chelonae, M. kansasii, M. lentiflavum



Incidence rate of NTM-LD, Oregon 2007-2012

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Incidence rates of MAI and *M. abscessus/chelonae* NTM-LD, Oregon 2007-2012.



Annual prevalence of NTM-LD, North America

Geographic area	Disease definition	Annual isolation rate/ 100,000	Annual disease rate/ 100,000
Hawaii (Kaiser)	Microbiologic	44 (2013)	
US- Pacific Islands (2011)	Microbiologic	48 (2011)	
5 States (MO, MS, MD, OH, WI), NTM reporting	Microbiologic	8.7-13.9	n/a
North Carolina, 3 counties (2006-2010)	Microbiologic	9.4	
Oregon USA (2007-2012)	Microbiologic	12.7	5.9
USA: HMOs (CA, CO, PA, WA) (1997-2005)	Microbiologic	11.8	5.5
Ontario, Canada (1998-2010)	Microbiologic	22.2	9.8



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Yearly Incidence (A) and Prevalence (B) of NTM-LD 2008-2015





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Geographic distribution of NTM-LD 2008-2015

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NTM Incidence (number of cases per 100,000 person-years), 2008



NTM Incidence (number of cases per 100,000 person-years), 2015

Winthrop et al. 2020 Annals ATS



Geographic variation in NTM prevalence among persons with cystic fibrosis: *M. abscessus* prevalence highest in the Southeast United States



Tzou, Dirac, Becker, et al.: NTM Exposure and Pulmonary Disease

AnnalsATS Volume 17 Number 1 January 2020



Highest prevalence of NTM-LD in Hawai'i and Florida, 2010





From Strollo et al: the burden of pulmonary NTM in the United States. Annals ATS 12; 2015: 1458-1464



Annual prevalence of pulmonary NTM isolation, NTM pulmonary disease, and TB (A) and annual prevalence of pulmonary NTM isolation by species (B) among a cohort of Kaiser Permanente Hawaii patients, Hawaii, 2005–2013.

Adjemian et al. Emerging Infectious Diseases Vol. 23, No. 3, March 2017



AFB testing increased 3.2%/year and NTM positivity increased 4.5%/year, 2009-2015 (Cerner EHR database, 31 facilities)





Mycobacterial Testing Trends, United States, 2009–2015¹

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Figure 2. Annual percentage change in identified pathogenic nontuberculous mycobacteria (NTM) in 31 facilities, United States, 2009–2015. Red indicates increasing trends: blue indicates



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Positive predictive value and sensitivity of claims for NTM-LD

 Table. Positive predictive value and sensitivity of ICD-9-CM diagnosis code-based case definitions for NTM infection in 2006–2014

 Medicare data by using Bronchiectasis and NTM Research Registry as reference standard, United States*

	No. participants with		No. participants	
	diagnosis-based		meeting BRR case	
	Medicare claim for		definition for IN LIVI	
NTM case definition†	NTM infection	PPV (95% CI)‡	infection§	Sensitivity (95% CI)¶
Primary definition: ICD-9-CM 031.0				
All clinician-given codes#	234	63.2 (57.1–69.4)	226	69.9 (63.9–75.9)
ID specialist– and pulmonologist-given	205	65.4 (58.9-71.9)	226	61.5 (55.2–67.9)
codes only				
ID specialist-given codes only	127	70.1 (62.1–78.0)	226	39.8 (33.4-46.2)
Pulmonologist-given codes only	133	60.9 (52.6–69.2)	226	36.7 (30.4–43.0)
Secondary definition: ICD-9-CM 031.0, requiring	g a second 031.0 claim	>30 d but <12 m of	first claim	
All clinician-given codes	122	72.1 (63.3–79.9)	226	41.6 (35.2-48.0)
ID specialist– and pulmonologist-given	100	74.0 (64.3-82.3)	226	33.2 (27.1–39.7)
codes only				
ID specialist–given codes only	45	82.2 (71.1–93.4)	226	16.4 (11.6–21.2)
Pulmonologist-given codes only	44	70.5 (57.0-83.9)	226	13.3 (30.4-43.0)

PPV ranges 61-82%; sensitivity ranges 13-70%

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Claims underestimate NTM-LD

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Table 2

Bivariate analysis of risk factors for NTM-PD: identification of highly significant variables between groups for entry into the prediction model (p < 0.01, each).

Characteristic	Coded NTM-PD	Control group	P value ^a
	(Group A) (N = 218)	(Group B) (N = 218)	
Mean (SD) age, years	61.4 (15.8)	52.6 (18.4)	< 0.0001
Comorbidity (ICD-10 code)			
COPD (J44)	101 (46.3)	16 (7.3)	< 0.0001
Influenza due to zoonotic or pandemic virus (J09)	84 (38.5)	11 (5.1)	< 0.0001
Pneumonia, organism unspecified (J18)	67 (30.7)	<5 ^b	< 0.0001
Asthma (J45)	55 (25.2)	19 (8.7)	< 0.0001
Pulmonary TB, not confirmed (A16)	30 (13.8)	0	< 0.0001
Abnormal findings on diagnostic lung imaging (R91)	28 (12.8)	<5	< 0.0001
Bacterial pneumonia, not elsewhere classified (J15)	23 (10.6)	0	< 0.0001
Bronchiectasis (J47)	22 (10.1)	<5 ^b	< 0.0001
Pulmonary TB, confirmed by culture and/or histology (A15)	20 (9.2)	0	< 0.0001
Idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (J84.1)	8 (3.7)	0	0.0073
HIV (including AIDS) (B20–B24)	8 (3.7)	0	0.0073
Procedure (OPS or EBM code)			
Chest x-ray (342 41)	101 (46.3)	18 (8.3)	< 0.0001
Computed tomography (3-20-3-26)	88 (40.4)	11 (5.1)	< 0.0001
Bronchoalveolar lavage (1-620.01)	33 (15.1)	0	< 0.0001
Mycobacterial culture (liquid and solid medium) (32747)	33 (15.1)	0	< 0.0001
Conventional bacteriological culture from respiratory specimens (32721)	30 (13.8)	0	< 0.0001
NTM species differentiation (32765)	19 (8.7)	0	< 0.0001
Acid-fast bacilli sputum stain (32176)	10 (4.6)	0	0.0018
Medication (ATC code)			
Proton-pump inhibitors (A02BC)	126 (57.8)	58 (26.6)	< 0.0001
Long-term antibiotics ^c	112 (51.4)	37 (17.0)	< 0.0001
Inhaled corticosteroids (RO3BA)	33 (15.1)	<5 ^b	< 0.0001
Guideline-based MAC-PD therapy ^d	19 (8.7)	0	< 0.0001



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Table 4

Estimated prevalence and incidence of NTM-PD in 2016 (risk threshold >99%).

Estimation Prevalence		Prevalence		Incidence		
	No. (%)	Rate [†]	Mean age	No. (%)	Rate ^a	Mean age
Coded NTM-PD	121 (0.004)	3.79	65.8	50 (0.002)	1.56	66.4
No coded NTM-PD	488 (0.015)	15.27	67.2	440 (0.014)	13.77	67.0
Coded and non-coded NTM-PD	609 (0.019)	19.05	67.0	490 (0.015)	15.33	67.0

NTM-PD, nontuberculous mycobacterial pulmonary disease.

^a Rate per 100,000 population.

Prevalence 5x higher, incidence 10x higher





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Average annual age- and sex- specific incidence of pulmonary NTM disease in Oregon, 2007-2012



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Risk factors – US Medicare population with bronchiectasis

Variables	Incident NTM-PD cohort	Bronchiectasis and no NTM-PD cohort	NTM-PD case definition 1 [#]	IRR [¶]	95% CI		
Overall	10289	161 874	1600			-	
NTM-PD diagnosis at 6-months or later	5198	161 874					
Sex						-	
Females	7972 (77.5)	102 946 (63.6)	1880	1.81	1.72–1.91		
Males	2317 (22.5)	58928 (36.4)	1040				
Age category							
65–69 years	2275 (22.1)	32696 (20.2)	1540				
70–74 years	2407 (23.4)	38010 (23.5)	1520	0.99	0.92-1.05		
75–79 years	2447 (23.8)	36515 (22.5)	1620	1.05	0.98-1.12		
≥80 years	3160 (30.7)	54653 (33.8)	1690	1.09	1.03-1.16		
COPD diagnosis							
COPD	3935 (38.2)	84072 (51.9)	1250	0.58	0.56-0.61		
No COPD	6354 (61.8)	77802 (48.1)	2150				
Race and ethnicity							
American Indian or Alaska native	15 (0.1)	611 (0.4)	767	0.46	0.25–0.77		
Asian/Pacific Islander	544 (5.3)	6296 (3.9)	2037	1.22	1.10-1.34		
Black	211 (2.1)	8046 (4.9)	705	0.42	0.36-0.49		
Hispanic	408 (4.0)	9607 (5.9)	985	0.59	0.52-0.66		
Other	84 (0.8)	1231 (0.8)	1731	1.04	0.81-1.32	-	0
Unknown	15 (0.1)	327 (0.2)	1551	0.93	0.46-1.66	2h	÷
White (non-Hispanic)	9012 (87.6)	135,757 (83.9)	1671				Portland

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NTM-LD Risk: Host-Environment-Pathogen





Risk factors: host factors – US population sample (4 HMOs)

TABLE 5. ASSOCIATED CONDITIONS AND SYMPTOMS CODED DURING THE 3 MONTHS BEFORE OR 6 MONTHS AFTER DETECTION OF A POSITIVE SPECIMEN, POSSIBLE AND DEFINITE CASES, THREE INTEGRATED HEALTH CARE DELIVERY SYSTEMS

Diagnosis or Symptom (ICD9 code)	Possible Cases	Definite Cases
Pulmonary nontuberculous mycobacteria (031.0)	638 (16)	488 (26.9)
Bronchiectasis (494, 494.0, 494.1)	628 (16)	427 (23.6)
Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (496, 491)	1,256 (32.3)	511 (28.2)
Pneumonia, unspec (486)	1,224 (31.4)	603 (33.3)
Asthma (493.2, 493.9)	446 (11.5)	223 (12.3)
Other lung disease not elsewhere classified (518.89)	419 (10.8)	249 (13.7)
Malignancies (140-239, excluding 173)	838 (21.5)	454 (25)
Congestive heart failure (428.0)	422 (10.8)	188 (10.4)
Gastroesophageal reflux (530.81)	388 (10.8)	207 (11.4)
Cough (786.2)	916 (23.5)	508 (28)
Shortness of breath (786.05)	401 (10.3)	215 (11.9)
Hemoptysis (786.3)	443 (11.4)	264 (14.6)
Total	3,894	1,812

Prevots, Shaw, Strickland, *et al.*: NTM Prevalence Am J Respir Crit Care Med Vol 182. pp 970–976, 2010



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Risk factors: host factors

Host Factor	RR, OR, or Relative Prevalence
Lung Cancer	3.4
COPD	2-10
Bronchiectasis	44, 187.5
Thoracic skeletal abnormalities	5.4
Low body weight	9.1
Rheumatoid arthritis	1.5, 1.9
Immunomodulatory drugs/anti-TNF agents	2.2/1.6-2.9
Steroid use	1.6, 8
Gastroesophageal reflux disease	1.5, 5.3
Cystic Fibrosis	

adapted from: Prevots DR, Marras TK. Epidemiology of Human Pulmonary Infection with Nontuberculous Mycobacteria: a Review. Clinics in Chest Medicine; 2015; 36:13-34



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a) Annual Incidence of MAC PI by U.S. Region (2010-2019) **b**) Annual Incidence of *M. abscessus* PI by U.S. Region (2010-2019)

Annual Incidence of M. abscessus PI by U.S. Region Annual Incidence of MAC PI by U.S. Region (2010-(2010-2019)2019) 30 Annual Infection Incidence (per 1,000 persons screened) Annual Infection Incidence (per 1,000 50 45 25 40 bersons screened) 10 35 Northeast 30 25 South 20 West 15 Midwest 10 National 5 2013 2014 2015 20162017 2018 2019 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 Review Year Review Year

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a.



Northeast

South

- West

Midwest

-National

Table 3: Annual percent change (APC) in NTM infection incidence among pwCF by species and U.S. region (2010-2019).

U.S. Geography	MAC (%)	M. abscessus (%)	Total NTM (%)	
National	4.4*	3.9	3.5*	
West	3.6	6.8	1.8	
South	3.4	4.3	4.1*	
Northeast	11.0*	2.7	7.7*	
Midwest	1.8	6.6	4.4*	
Annual percent chang	ge (APC) in NT	M infection incidenc	e by NTM species ar	nd U.S. regio
*Significant APC (p<	(0.05)			_

Marshall, Mercaldo, Lipner, & Prevots (2023), unpublished data source: Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Patient Registry



BMI and ethnic differences in NTM-LD, Hawaii

- Collaboration with Kaiser Permanente Hawaii
- n=505,202 beneficiaries, Kaiser Permanente Hawaii
- Population: 28 different ethnic categories
 - 48% "any" Asian
 - 20% Filipino
 - 13% Japanese
 - 7% Chinese
- 26% "any" Native Hawaiian \ Pacific Islander
- 44% "any" White



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Figure. Nontuberculous mycobacterial pulmonary infection incidence among Kaiser Permanente Hawaii beneficiaries, by ethnicity and body mass index category, Hawaii, USA, 2005-2019. Numbers above bars indicate case count by BMI category. Underweight, <18.5 kg/m2; normal weight, 18.5 to <25 kg/m2; overweight/obese, >25 kg/m2. NHOPI, Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander.









Mortality after NTM isolation

Marras et al. Emerging Infectious Diseases • www.cdc.gov/eid • Vol. 23, No. 3, March 2017

- Pulmonary isolation = 1, pulmonary disease = 2 positive cultures
- Overall increased risk of death NTM pulmonary isolation or disease vs. controls
- NTM disease species-specific (unadjusted) HR vs. controls range 1.25-1.84, except *M. kansasii* HR 2.5
- NTM disease adjusted HR 1.23 vs.
 NTM isolation



Mortality

Novosad et al. Ann Am Thorac Soc Vol 14, No 7, pp 1112–1119, Jul 2017





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Mortality: Systematic review

Diel et al. BMC Infectious Diseases (2018) 18:206

- 14 studies
- 27% increase in mortality
- Factors associated with death
 - Male sex
 - Comorbidities/underlying lung disease
 - Fibrocavitary disease



Mortality following culture conversion

Im et al. Chest (2022) 1192-1200

TABLE 3] Effect of 6-Months or 12-Months Culture Conversion on Death in Patients With NTM-PD

Patient Group	Treatment for \geq 6 mo (n = 712) ^a	Treatment \geq 12 mo (n = 676) ^a
Death	n = 135	n = 116
HR of conversion within 6 or 12 mo for death		
Crude HR (95% CI, P)	$0.46 \ (0.33 - 0.65, < .001)^{b}$	$0.42~(0.29-0.61, < .001)^{c}$
Model 1, adjusted HR (95% CI, P)	$0.51 \ (0.35 - 0.74, < .001)^{b}$	0.51 (0.33–0.78, .002) ^c
Model 2, adjusted HR (95% CI, P)	$0.52 \ (0.35 - 0.76, < .001)^{b}$	0.52 (0.34–0.80, .003) ^c
Model 3, adjusted HR (95% CI, P)	$0.52 \ (0.36 - 0.77, < .001)^{b}$	0.52 (0.34–0.81, .003) ^c



Challenges and gaps

- Surveillance/population-based data limited most laboratory-based
- Prevention
- Natural history after treatment (mortality, recurrence)
- M. abscessus



Summary

- Incidence and prevalence still increasing
- Rates increase with age; females higher than males
- Risk factors include bronchiectasis, COPD, lung & immunosuppressive conditions/medications
- Geographic variation in prevalence and species
 - Prevalence higher than TB, ranges from 6-???/100,000
- NTM-LD likely associated with increased mortality



Thank-you



Average Age-Adjusted Annual Prevalence of Nontuberculous Mycobacteria Case Rate per 100,000 Persons, 5 States, 2008-2013*



*5 states: MD, MS, OH, MO, WI

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