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Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) in Japan, Present, Past Fact and Next Strategy under COVID-19 Pandemic

Message from the Guest Editor

Antimicrobial resistance (AMR) is one of the most common medical problems in the world and AMR organisms could cause up to 10 million deaths in 2050. In Japan, the AMR action plan has been proposed since 2016 according to WHO recommendation, but the past and current status and the strategy was not recognized enough. For example, methicillin-resistance is still highly frequent (30-50% of *Staphylococcus aureus*), but vancomycin-resistance is rarely isolated (

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