

European Antimicrobial Resistance Genes Surveillance Network (EURGen-Net) network meeting 2024 25–26 September 2024

Agenda

Scope and purpose

The purpose of this virtual meeting is to provide the EURGen-Net Operational Contact Points (and Contact Points for Operations) and the National Focal Points for Antimicrobial Resistance (and Observer National Focal Points for Antimicrobial Resistance) with updates on ongoing ECDC activities related to molecular surveillance of bacteria of public health importance.

Day 1 will provide updates on current and potential activities related to carbapenem-resistant Enterobacterales (CRE). Day 2 is the 'kick-off meeting' for the 'ECDC survey of carbapenem-resistant *Acinetobacter baumannii* 2024/2025', presenting and discussing the published ECDC survey protocol and laboratory manual.

Wednesday 25 September 2024

10:00 – 10:15	EURGen-Net network meeting: Welcome <i>Dominique Monnet (ECDC)</i>
Session 1 - European Reference Laboratory for Antimicrobial Resistance (EURL-PH-AMR) <i>Moderator: Daniel Palm (ECDC)</i>	
10:15 – 10:30	Introduction to European Reference Laboratories for Public Health <i>Yoline Kuipers (DG SANTE)</i>
10:30 – 11:00	Overview of the planned activities of the EURL-PH-AMR <i>Anders Rhod Larsen, Camilla Wiuff Coia (Statens Serum Institut)</i>
11:00 – 11:15	Communication between EURL-PH-AMR and EURGen-Net <i>Nina Lagerqvist (ECDC)</i>
11:15 – 11:25	Break
Session 2 – Update on ECDC activities, contracts and collaborations <i>Moderator: Anke Kohlenberg (ECDC)</i>	
11:25 – 11:40	Presentation of Institut Pasteur Biological Resource Center <i>Fay Betsou, Mariana Ferrari (Institut Pasteur)</i>
11:40 – 11:55	Antimicrobial resistance in Ukraine: challenges of war <i>Artem Horbachevskii (Public Health Centre of the MoH of Ukraine)</i>
11:55 – 12:10	ECDC whole genome sequencing support <i>Saara Kotila (ECDC)</i>
12:10 – 12:30	EpiPulse cases update <i>Erik Alm (ECDC)</i>
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch break
Carbapenem-resistant Enterobacterales (CRE)	
Session 3 – Planning of future CRE surveillance <i>Moderator: Barbara Albiger (ECDC)</i>	
13:30 – 13:45	Pathogen genomic surveillance: the way forward <i>Marc Struelens (Université Libre de Bruxelles, Belgium)</i>
13:45 – 14:30	Protocol for the CRE25 survey <i>Anke Kohlenberg (ECDC)</i>
14:30 – 14:40	Break
Session 4 – National and EU-level investigations of outbreaks and emerging resistance <i>Moderator: Diamantis Plachouras (ECDC)</i>	
14:40– 15:00	Investigation of NDM-1-producing <i>Providencia stuartii</i> in Romania <i>Daniela Tălăpan (National Institute of Infectious Diseases “Prof Dr Matei Bals”, Romania), Marius Linkevicius (ECDC)</i>
15:00 – 15:20	European investigation of <i>Escherichia coli</i> ST131 carrying carbapenemase genes <i>Anke Kohlenberg, Marius Linkevicius (ECDC)</i>
15:20– 15:45	EpiPulse presentation <i>Stefania De Angelis (ECDC)</i>
15:45 – 15:55	Cross-border spread of hybrid resistance and virulence plasmid <i>Anke Kohlenberg, Marius Linkevicius (ECDC)</i>
15:55 – 16:00	AOB and closure <i>Anke Kohlenberg (ECDC)</i>

Thursday 26 September 2024

Day 2 of the EURGen-Net network meeting is the **kick-off meeting for the ECDC CRAb survey, 2024–2025**, which has a survey period from 01/10/2024–30/06/2025. **Attendees can propose topics for interactive sessions in ≥ 3 ways:**

- During the meeting** using the chat, or by speaking.
- Before the meeting by email** (to: pete.kinross@ecdc.europa.eu; andreas.hoefer@ecdc.europa.eu).
At the meeting, ECDC will not share the names the people who sent the emails.
- Preferably by 13 September, using an anonymous & short online ECDC survey.**
URL: https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/CRAb_kickoff_meeting_survey

09:30	Virtual room opens	
Session 5 – CRAB kick-off meeting: INITIAL SESSION (10:00–11:10)		
10:00	Welcome; launch of survey; CRAB-survey-related updates; adoption of the meeting agenda.	Pete Kinross (ECDC)
10:10	Brief overview of the survey materials, i.e. the survey protocol , the laboratory manual , and (Excel) data entry tool .	Pete Kinross, Andreas Hoefer (ECDC)
10:15	Brief practical presentation of the Excel data entry tool	Pete Kinross (ECDC)
10:20	Immediate questions and requests for clarification	Group (ECDC moderates)
10:30	An introduction from Institut Pasteur, the ECDC contractor for strain collection for the CRAB-survey	Mariana Ferrari, Fay Betsou (CRBIP, Paris, FR)
10:50	Summary of all CRAB survey-related ‘frequently asked questions’ (FAQs); Introduction to the main session and afternoon session.	Pete Kinross; Andreas Hoefer (ECDC)
11:00	Immediate questions, and requests for clarification; and gather additional topics for the next sessions	Group (ECDC moderates)
11:10	Coffee break	
Session 6 – CRAB kick-off meeting: MAIN Q&A SESSION (11:30–12:30)		
Note: you can propose topics now using the EUSurvey hyperlink*		
11:30	Open floor Q&A session	Group (ECDC moderates)
12:20	Summary of meeting and next steps; close of meeting .	Pete Kinross, Andreas Hoefer (ECDC)
12:30	End of meeting. <u>Note: the virtual room will remain open from 12:30–13:30</u>	ECDC remains online
13:30	Virtual meeting room closes	
13:55	Virtual meeting room reopens	
OPTIONAL: AFTERNOON GROUP SESSIONS or BILATERAL SESSIONS (14:00–17:00)		
Use the EUSurvey * to propose CRAB-related topic(s), and/or a bilateral meeting; and to indicate your availability		
14:00	Optional session 1	ECDC moderates
14:30	Optional session 2	ECDC moderates
15:00	Optional session 3	ECDC moderates
15:30	Optional session 4	ECDC moderates
16:00	Optional session 5	ECDC moderates
16:30	Coffee break	
16:45	Review of afternoon session; summary of next steps.	Pete Kinross, Andreas Hoefer (ECDC)
17:00	End of optional afternoon session.	ECDC remains online
17:15	Virtual meeting room closes	

* EU Survey: https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/CRAb_kickoff_meeting_survey