
**INTRODUCTION**

Telithromycin, the first in a series of antibiotic candidate derivatives, has a spectrum of activity against many gram-positive and gram-negative organisms, typical of most macrolides, and low-level resistance to macrolides. Telithromycin has been tested extensively in vitro, and the National Committee for Clinical Laboratory Standards–approved quality control ranges are shaded in yellow.

**METHODS**

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**RESULTS**

A total of 400 banked, clinical isolates, less than 18 months of age, supplied by Laboratories International for Microbiology Studies (Laboratories International for Microbiology Studies, Schaumburg, Ill).

**CONCLUSIONS**

**REFERENCES**


