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Antibiotics are arranged by pharmacological class (left to right) and normal preference (top = normally preferred, bottom = normally last-line).
One box is shown where there are two very similar drugs in pharmacodynamic terms, where the one that is normally used is shown first. There may be siginficant pharmacokinetic differences between them.

Penicillins	Carbapenems	Gram-neg only Beta-Lactams	Cephalosporins	Glycopeptides	Other Cell walls	Quinolone	Other DNA	Folate	Tetracyclines and related	Macrolides and related	Other ribosomals	Aminoglycosides
BEN Penicillin V or G												**GEN** Gentamicin
AMO Amoxicillin or Ampicillin	**FLU** Flucloxacillin	**PIV** Pivmecillinam	1st Generation Cephalosporins				**NIT** Nitrofurantoin	**TRI** Trimethoprim	**DOX** Doxycycline	**CLA** Clarithromycin	**FUS** Fusidic acid	**TOB** Tobramycin
AMC Co-amoxiclav		**TEM** Temocillin	2nd Generation Cephalosporins	**VAN** Vancomycin	**FOS** Fosfomycin	**CIP** Ciprofloxacin	**MET** Metronidazole or Tinidazole	**TRS** Co-trimoxazole	**TET** Tetracycline	**ERY** Erythromycin	**RIF** Rifampicin or Rifaximin	**AMI** Amikacin
PIT Piperacillin/ Tazobactam		**AZT** Aztreonam	3rd Generation Cephalosporins	**TEI** Teicoplanin	**DAP** Daptomycin	**LEV** Levofloxacin or Moxifloxacin			**OXY** Oxytetracycline	**CLI** Clindamycin	**LIN** Linezolid	
MER Meropenem	**ERT** Ertapenem	**IMI** Imipenem	5th Generation Cephalosporins	**DAL** Dalbavancin	**COL** Colistin	**OFL** Ofloxacin			**MIN** Minocycline or Lymecycline	**AZI** Azithromycin	**CHL** Chloramphenicol	
MER + VAB Meropenem/ Vaborbactam			Cephalosporins with Enzyme Inhibitors	**TEL** Telavancin		**DEL** Delafloxacin			**TIG** Tigecycline	**FDX** Fidaxomicin		

1st Generation Cephalosporins	**CEF** Cefradine	**CLE** Cefalexin	**CZO** Cefazolin	**CDR** Cefadroxil
2nd Generation Cephalosporins	**CUR** Cefuroxime	**CCL** Cefaclor	**CXI** Cefoxitin	
3rd Generation Cephalosporins	**CTA** Cefotaxime	**CTZ** Ceftazidime	**CIX** Cefixime	**CTR** Ceftriaxone

5th Generation Cephalosporins	**CTL** Ceftaroline	**CTO** Ceftobiprole	**CEP** Cefepime
Cephalosporins with Enzyme Inhibitor	**CTV** Ceftazidime/ avibactam	**CTT** Ceftolozane/ tazobactam	

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