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Does My "Low-Risk" Patient **Need Antibiotic Prophylaxis?**

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Former Key Principles for Preventing Endocarditis:

- Infective endocarditis uncommon but life-threatening.
 Prevention is better than treatment of infection.
- Specific cardiac conditions predispose to endocarditis.
- Bacteremia with endocarditis-causing organisms can occur in association with invasive dental, GIT or GU procedures.
- Antimicrobial prophylaxis is likely effective in patients who undergo the above procedures.

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Bacteremia from ADL

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Bacteremia Associated with Tooth Brushing and Dental Extraction

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- Brushing teeth = 23% risk of bacteremia.
- Tooth extraction with amoxicillin = 33% risk.
 Tooth extraction with placebo = 60% risk.



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No. of	National Estimate, 35 (95% CD ⁴	No. of Cases Hospitalized	National Estimate % Hospitalized (95% CD*				
Hematologic Agents				(
Anticoagulants	7211	17.6 (14.1-21.0)	3691	48.8 (42.0-55.5)			
Vitamie Kantagonists (warfarie)	6179	15.1 (12.3-17.9)	3156	48.5 (41.8-55.1)			
Factor Xa inhibitors	580	1.4 (0.9-2.0)	300	50.4 (43.0-57.8)			
Unfractionated and low-molecular-weight heparins	450	0.8 (0.6-1.1)	224	46.5 (38.7-54.4)			
Direct thrombin inhibitors (oral)	173	0.5 (0.2-0.7)	107	63.8 (49.8-77.8)			
Antiplatelets	2656	6.6 (4.7-8.5)	1312	44.4 (35.7-53.2)			
Platelet P2Y ₁₂ receptor antagonists ^{et}	1837	4.6 (3.0-6.2)	942	47.8 (37.7-57.9)			
Aspirin with or without dipyridamole	1545	3.6 (2.2-5.0)	753	41.2 (32.6-49.8)			
Systemic Antimicrobial Agents"							
Antibiotics	6426	16.1 (14.4-17.8)	481	7.1 (5.3-9.0)			
Amenicillin-containing penicillins	2198	4.8 (4.2-5.4)	96	3.7 (2.3-5.2)			
Sulfanamide-containing agents	1174	3.2 (2.7-3.7)	108	8.9 (6.2-11.5)			
Cephalosporins	776	2.0 (1.7-2.4)	63	6.7 (4.2-9.2)			
Quinolones	592	1.7 (1.4-1.9)	77	14.5 (11.0-18.0)			
Erythromycins and macrolides	410	1.2 (1.0-1.3)	24	5.5 (2.6-8.3)			
Lincosamides (clindamycin)	396	1.0 (0.8-1.2)	28	5.5 (2.1-8.8)			
Tetracyclines	286	0.7 (0.6-0.8)	16	N4			
Metronidazole	195	0.4 (0.3-0.5)	18	N4			
Other antibiotics	439	1.1 (0.9-1.3)	68	12.1 (7.6-16.6)			





Who is Low Risk?

- Patients with:
 - Mitral valve prolapse
 - Rheumatic heart disease
 - ASD, VSD, hypertrophic cardiomyopathy
 - Calcific aortic stenosis
 - Bicuspid aortic valve



































Conclusion

- Antibiotic prophylaxis:
 - Has a role in the prevention of infective endocarditis. Main benefit in "high risk" patients.

 - No RCT's available for clearer guidance.

• Consequences:

- Adverse effects of antibiotics.
- Issue of antimicrobial resistance.

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