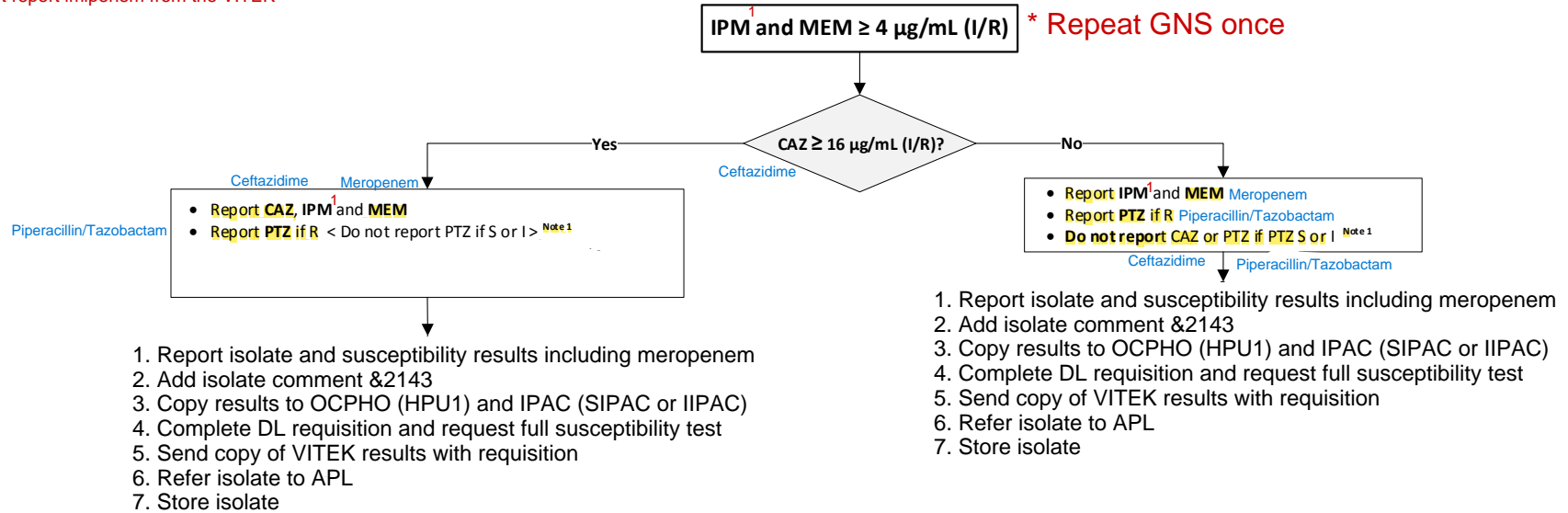


# Pseudomonas Aeruginosa Carbapenem Resistance Detection Chart (LTR82081)

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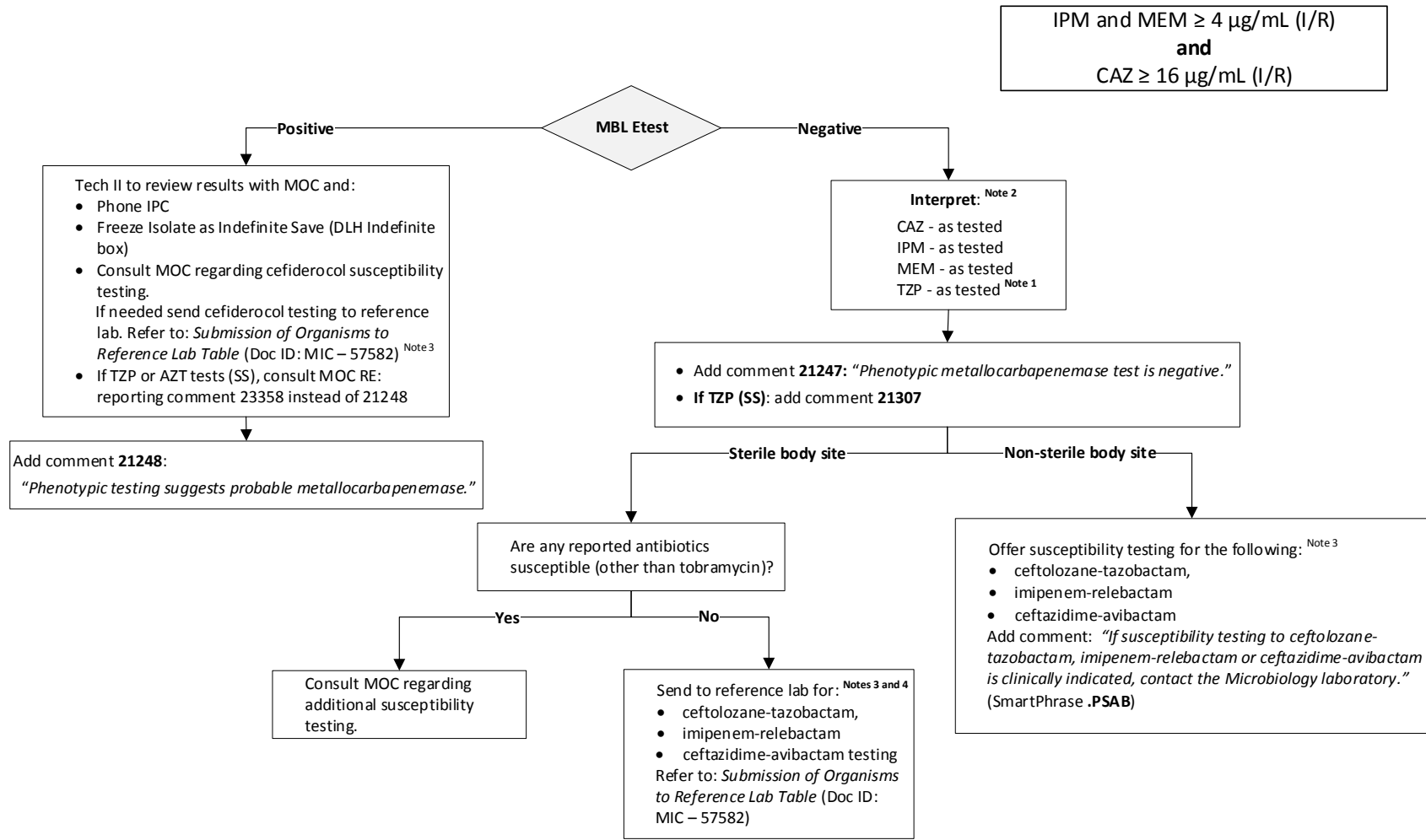
<sup>1</sup> Don't report imipenem from the VITEK



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**Note 2:** Consult Tech II if discrepancy between disc diffusion and Vitek 2 results.

**Note 3:** Consult MOC if previous isolate sent to reference lab for additional susceptibility testing within 6 months. Any antibiotics that previously tested as resistant do not require retesting unless requested by physician.

**Note 4:** If isolated from CSF consult MOC prior to sending for additional susceptibility testing.

**Comments:**

**21307:** Susceptible beta-lactam agents should be used with caution.

**23358:** Phenotypic testing suggests probable metallo-carbapenemase. If using a susceptible beta-lactam or monobactam, it is advised to use combination therapy and seek expert consultation.

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Pseudomonas aeruginosa supplemental antibiotic information **for MOC reference only**

	CSF/ Brain	Sterile Body Site	Urine	Resp/ Other	Comments
Ceftazidime- avibactam	*	✓	✓	✓	* Consult with MOC. Ceftazidime/avibactam for CNS infections is an off-label use. Medical literature shows that CAZ-AVI achieved an adequate CSF concentration throughout the drug interval.
Ceftolozane- tazobactam	*	✓	✓	✓	* Consult with MOC. The current maximal dose of Ceftolozane-tazobactam (3.0 g every 8 h) does not provide adequate CSF exposure for treatment of Gram-negative meningitis or ventriculitis unless the MIC for the causative pathogen is very low ( $\leq 0.25$ mg/liter). Anecdotally, this agent has been used with success to treat MDR Pseudomonas aeruginosa meningitis.
Imipenem-relebactam	*	✓	✓	✓	Efficacy and safety of imipenem-cilastatin-relebactam were comparable with those of imipenem-cilastatin. The main role of this agent is for treatment of KPC-producing Enterobacteriaceae and imipenem-nonsusceptible Ps. aeruginosa, but clinical data on these remain limited.  * Consult with MOC. CSF penetration of this agent is similar to that with Imipenem-cilastatin alone.
Cefiderocol	*	✓	✓	✓	* Consult with MOC. CSF penetration of this agent is excellent, with the medical literature reporting high CSF bioavailability (up to 24.4 mg/L 48h following administration, and CSF/plasma ratio ~ 70%). Cefiderocol, when given as 2 g q8h and 2 g q6h, attained CSF concentrations that exceeded $\geq 4$ mg/L for 100% of the dosing interval.