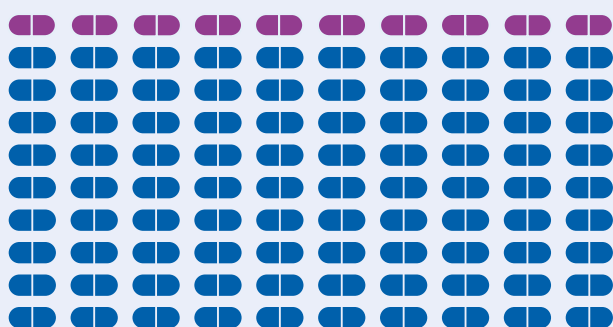


Candida auris

The drug-resistant superbug that's got our hospitals on high alert.

90%

of *C. auris* cases are drug resistant.



Candida auris is a
YEAST

- a type of fungus, not a virus or bacteria. It can live on surfaces, the skin, or inside the body or blood.



People with weakened immune systems - the sick, elderly and newborn babies - are particularly at risk.

C. auris is contracted through contact with an infected person or surface



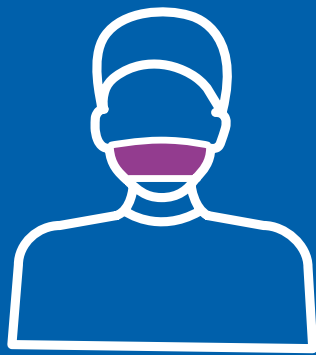
C. auris symptoms:

Fever, aches, chills and fatigue.

Worryingly, symptoms may not be noticeable as most patients already have other serious conditions.

According to the Centre for Disease Control and Prevention,

“*Candida auris* is an emerging fungus that presents a serious global health threat.”



Candida auris is a growing concern in critical care due to rising immunocompromised patients. It, along with other fungal pathogens, causes over **13 million** infections and **1.5 million** deaths annually worldwide.

Once in the blood stream *C. auris* circulates and multiplies, causing Sepsis (blood poisoning).

Yeast cells also deposit in organs (liver, spleen, brain), causing abscesses or forming vegetation on heart valves.

The genus *Candida* includes around
154 species.

Among these,
6 are most frequently isolated in human infections.

About **30% to 60%** of infected people have died from the yeast



The time taken for a **Medipal wipe** to kill *Candida auris* on a contaminated surface using EN test EN13624.

