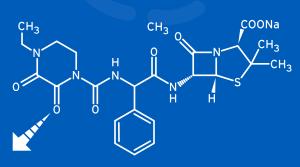
# THE GROWING RISK OF **ANTI-MICROBIAL RESISTANCE**

# WHAT IS ANTIMICROBIAL RESISTANCE (AMR)?1

- Bacteria, fungi and parasites are living microorganisms, and
- Either due to random mutations or natural selection, they can stop responding to antimicrobial medicines.
- These more resistant microorganisms can then replicate and become a threat to populations globally.



## WHAT ARE ANTIMICROBIAL MEDICINES?1

Antimicrobial medicines are used to treat multiple diseases and infections including:







Meningitis





## **ANTIMICROBIAL DRUGS** ARE ALSO USED TO1

Sterilise operating rooms

Reduce the risk of infection among those receiving organ transplants

Deliver specialist cancer care

#### WHY DOES IT MATTER?

AMR could lead to conditions that are currently treatable becoming a danger to global health - leading to<sup>2</sup>:



INFECTIONS BECOMING HARDER, OR EVEN IMPOSSIBLE, TO TREAT

> **INCREASED RISK OF** DISEASES SPREADING

> > INCREASED RISK **OF SEVERE ILLNESS** AND DEATH

IT IS ESTIMATED THAT THERE WERE

MILLION **DEATHS** 

directly attributable to AMR in 2019.3







THIS NUMBER IS PREDICTED TO RISE TO

## WHAT ARE THE CAUSES OF AMR?2,5

**OVER PRESCRIPTION OF ANTIBIOTICS**  INAPPROPRIATE **PATIENT USE OF ANTIBIOTICS** 

**OVER-USE OF ANTIBIOTICS IN LIVESTOCK** AND FISH **FARMING** 



**POOR** 





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**AND POOR** 

SANITATION

**HYGIENE** 

A LACK OF NEW ANTIBIOTICS BEING **DEVELOPED** 















# **HOW CAN WE ALL** PLAY A PART IN TACKLING AMR?

#### PATIENTS<sup>1,6</sup>



Use antibiotics only when prescribed by a doctor



Take your medication exactly as explained by your doctor

## **HEALTHCARE** PROFESSIONALS7



Ensuring strong infection and control practices - prevention is better than cure



Reporting antibiotic resistant infections to surveillance teams



Never share antibiotics or use leftover prescriptions



Break the chain of infection through good hygiene and



Discussing with patients the importance of appropriate antibiotic use



Prescribing and dispensing of antibiotics according to current guidelines

### FRESENIUS KABI & AMR

AS PART OF CARING FOR LIFE,

#### FRESENIUS KABI HAS TAKEN STEPS IN COMBATTING AMR:



Committing to environmental management standards at all of our manufacturing plants to safely dispose of antimicrobial waste and reduce the amount of waste, that contributes to increased resistance, entering the environment.8



Being vocal in raising awareness of AMR across all social and industry partners.8



Becoming a full member of the AMR Industry Alliance - one of the largest private sector partnerships aimed at combatting AMR sustainably in order to ensure good stewardship of antibiotics and apply corresponding manufacturing guidelines.89

AS A RESULT,

### **FRESENIUS KABI OUTPERFORMS THE** INDUSTRY BENCHMARK

IN ITS EVALUATED RESEARCH AREAS

in the Access to Medicine Foundation AMR Benchmark report for 2021 - with a score of 80% - for stewardship among the top recorded industry scores.8

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