



SDI FINAL EVALUATION FORM 1.1

PART 1:

Journal Name:	British Microbiology Research Journal
Manuscript Number:	Ms_BMRJ_23625
Title of the Manuscript:	A new Antibiotic Adjuvant Entity (Ceftriaxone + sulbactam + disodium edetate): a safer alternative to carbapenems for ICU infection management
Type of Article:	Original Research Articles

PART 2:

FINAL EVALUATOR'S comments on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to final evaluator's comments
Manuscript still needs to undergo significant editing (grammar, spelling) to be suitable for publication, Minor revisions are listed below: - More clearly state inclusion/exclusion criteria. Presently, it reads like ALL patients in the ICU with an IAI/LRTI/UTI were treated with meropenem or AAE - Please state mortality (0%) in the manuscript - Pg 5, Ln 111: would omit the word "prospectively" as it makes it appear that the study was prospective. Would also add that physicians determined clinical improvement. - Would reconsider comparing the groups that received carbapenems vs the group that received AAE to identify any baseline differences in these groups that may have impacted outcomes. It would greatly strengthen the study to see that both groups were similar. - Conclusion in abstract does not match the last sentence of the conclusion section of the manuscript. I feel that the conclusion detailed in the abstract is the most appropriate and would use this conclusion.	Inclusion/exclusion criteria has now been modified. Mortality percentage has now been incorporated into the manuscript. The word prospectively hasnow been removed. The sentence " physicians determined clinical improvement" has now been added. All patients had moderate to severe infections with APACHE II score of 17.84 ± 2.16. And these patients were distributed in groups receiving either carbapenem or AAE. As it is retrospective data, we have presented the data what we could extracted from the patient data sheet. Now the conclusion in abstract matches with the last sentence of the conclusion section of the manuscript.