### Nontuberculous Mycobacterial Infections Who, How, When and Why to Treat



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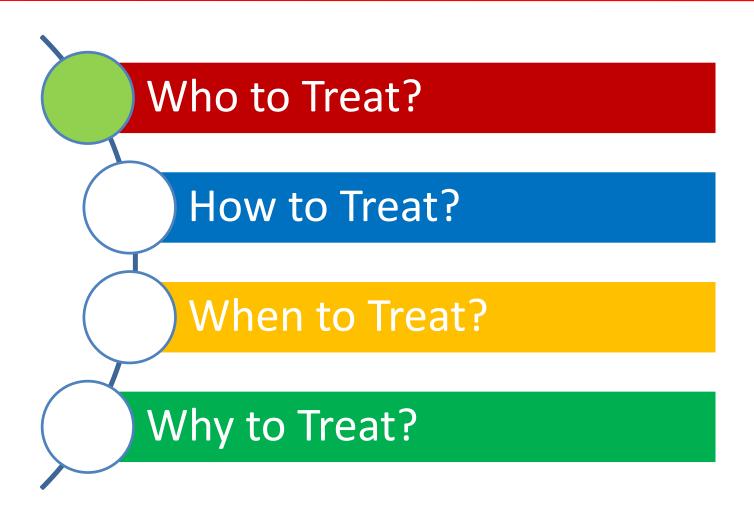


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## WHO to Treat? ATS/IDSA Diagnostic Criteria For NTM Lung Disease

#### **Clinical**



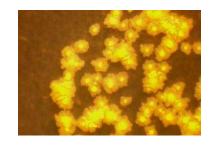
Cough Fatigue Weight Loss

#### Radiographs





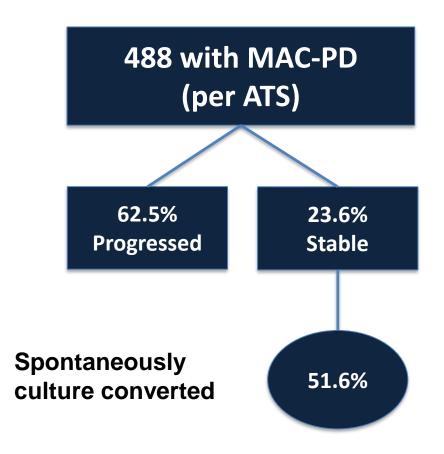
#### **Bacteriology**



≥ 2 positive sputum cultures *or* 1 positive bronch culture

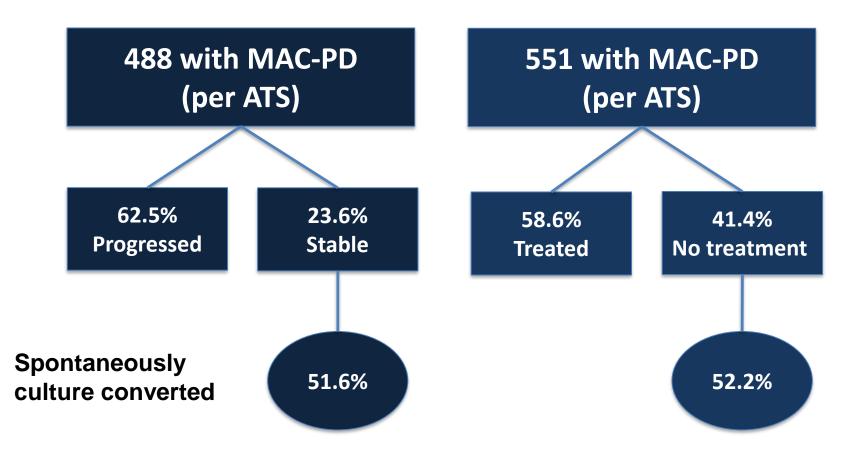


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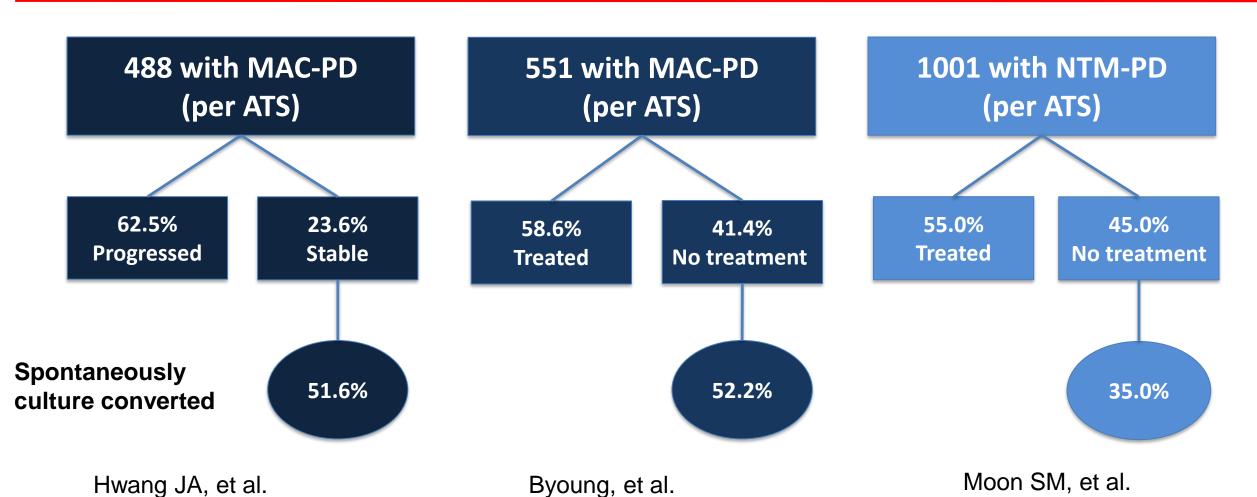
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#### **Risk Factors Associated with Progression**

### Host/Demographic Factors

- Male gender
- Older age
- Presence of comorbidities
- Low body mass index

#### Laboratory Factors

- Elevated inflammatory indices (ESR, CRP)
- Anemia
- Hypoalbuminemia

### Radiographic Factors

- Fibrocavitary
- Extent of disease

### Microbial Factors

- Bacterial load
- Species



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#### **Characteristics**

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**Symptoms** 

Radiograph

**Progression** 

Co-morbidities

Drug intolerances

Organism



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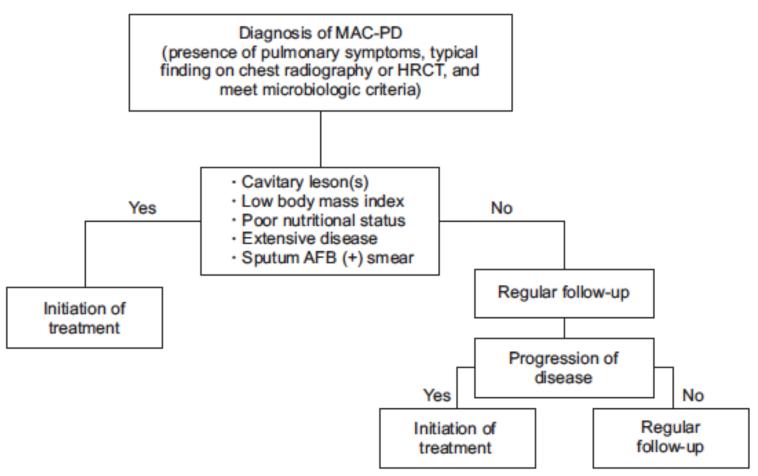
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## WHO to Treat? Treatment Initiation Algorithm



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## **HOW to Treat**Treatment of MAC

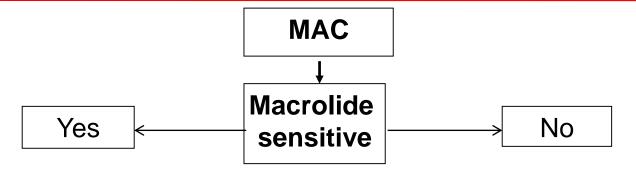
- 65 year old Caucasian woman treated for Mycobacterium avium complex on two previous occasions with macrolide, rifampin, and ethambutol
- Now with AFB smear positive sputum specimen and culture positive for M. intracellulare



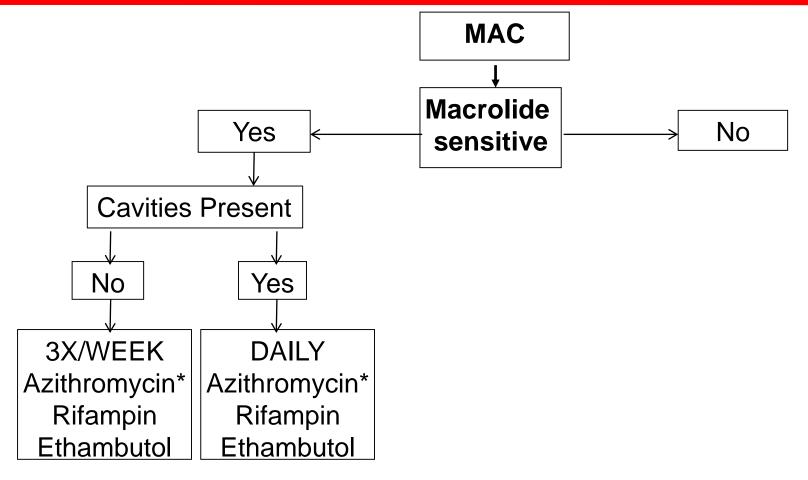




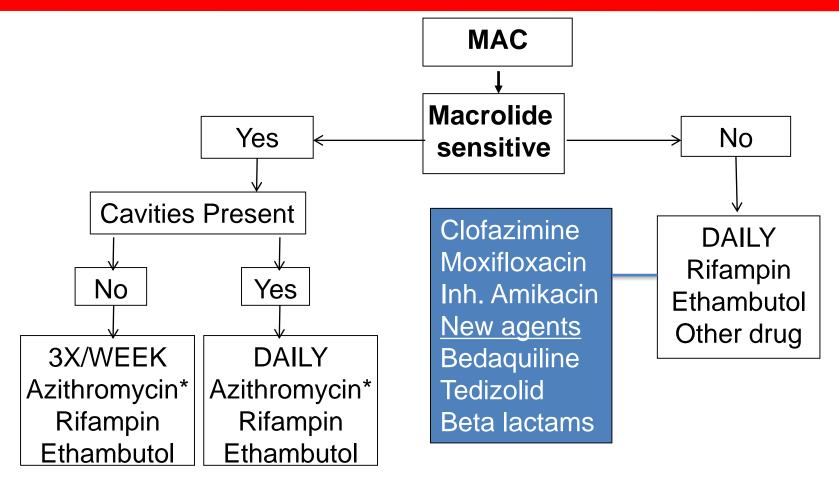




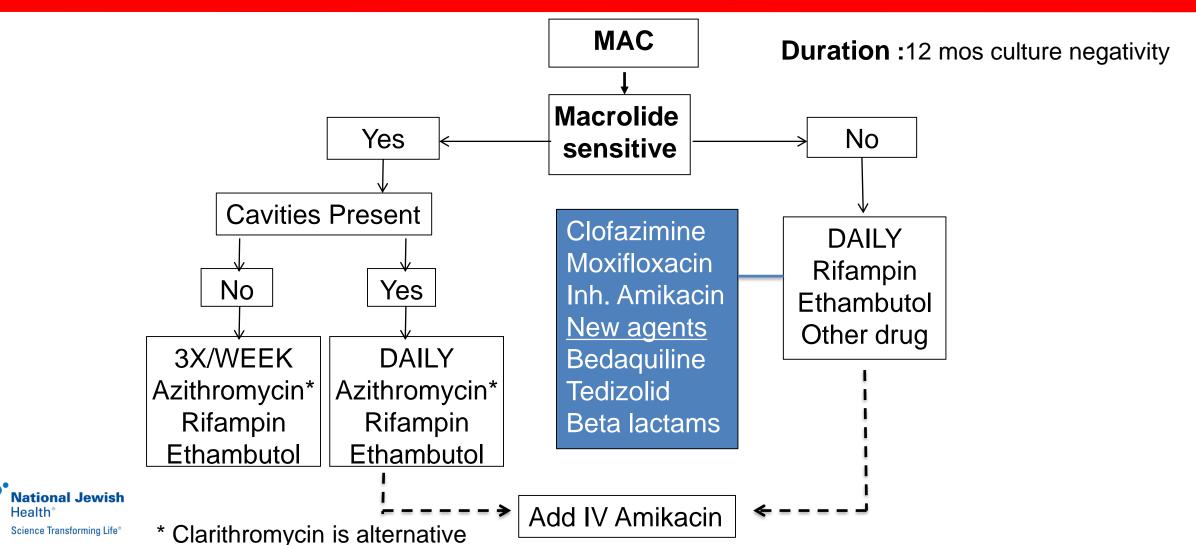










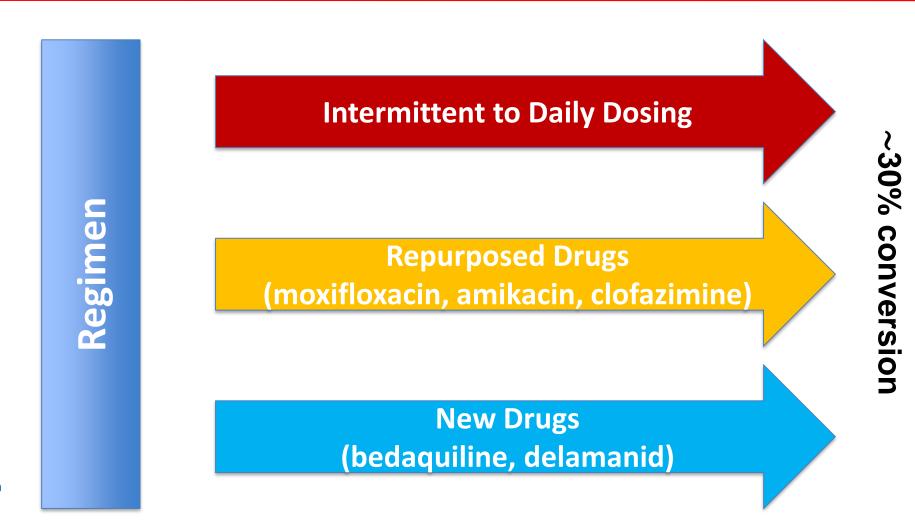


# Treatment Outcomes of Macrolide Susceptible *M. avium* complex

#### **Systematic Review and Meta-analysis**

- 42 studies (2,748 patients)
  - 18 retrospective, 18 prospective, 6 randomized
- Treatment success
  - sputum culture conversions posttreatment microbiologic recurrence
- Treatment success
  - Overall for macrolide containing regimen 52.8%
  - 3-drug ATS regimen 61.4%
  - Above taken for at least a year 65.7%

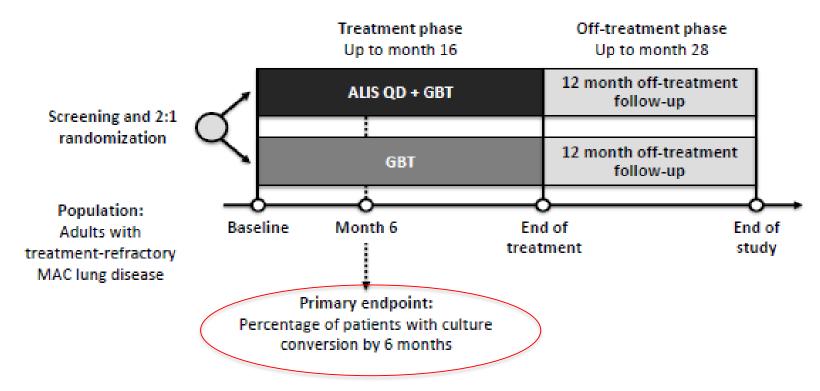
## Treatment Failures Strengthen the Treatment Regimen





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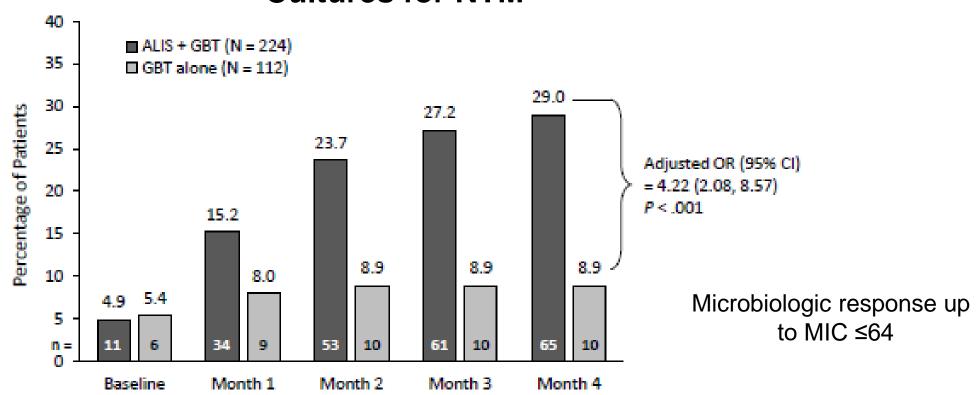
Phase 3 Randomized, Controlled Trial of Amikacin Liposome Inhalation Suspension (ALIS) + GBT vs GBT alone in treatment refractory MAC lung disease





### **CONVERT STUDY**

### Proportion of Patients With Negative Sputum Cultures for NTM





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#### **Treatment Emergent Adverse Events (TEAE)**

Adverse Event	GBT + ALIS	GBT				
Respiratory-related AEs						
Dysphonia	45.7%	0.9%				
Cough	37.2%	15.2%				
Dyspnea	21.5%	8.9%)				
Hemoptysis	17.5%	13.4%				
Oropharyngeal pain	10.8%	1.8%				
Audiological AEs						
Tinnitus	7.6%	0.9%				
Dizziness	6.3%	2.7%				
Hearing loss	4.5%	6.3%				
Serious adverse events	20.2%	17.9%				
<b>Discontinuation of ALIS</b>	17.5%	_				



## HOW to Treat Treatment of *M. abscessus*

• 68 year old woman with chronic cough and fatigue









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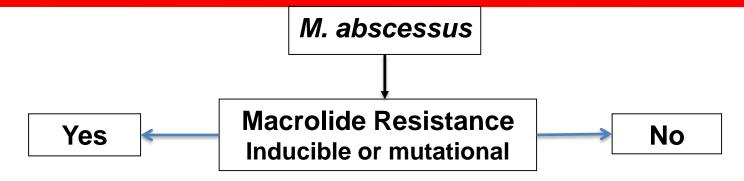


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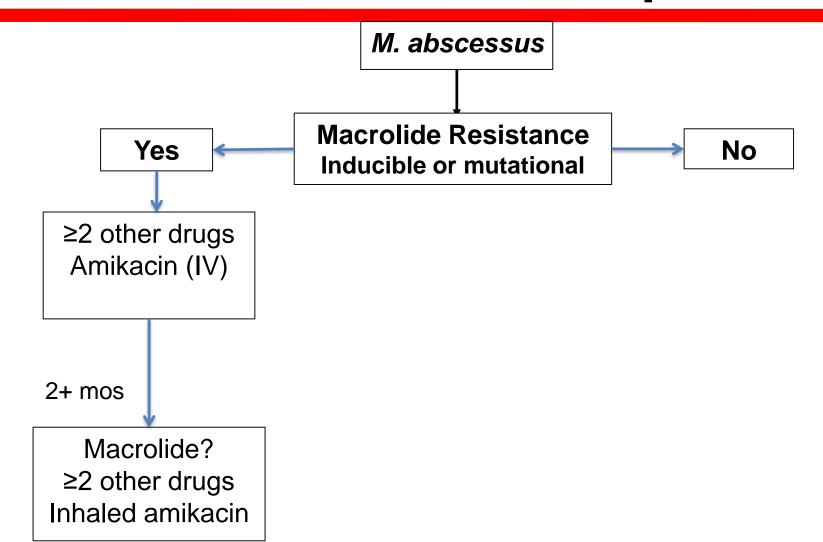
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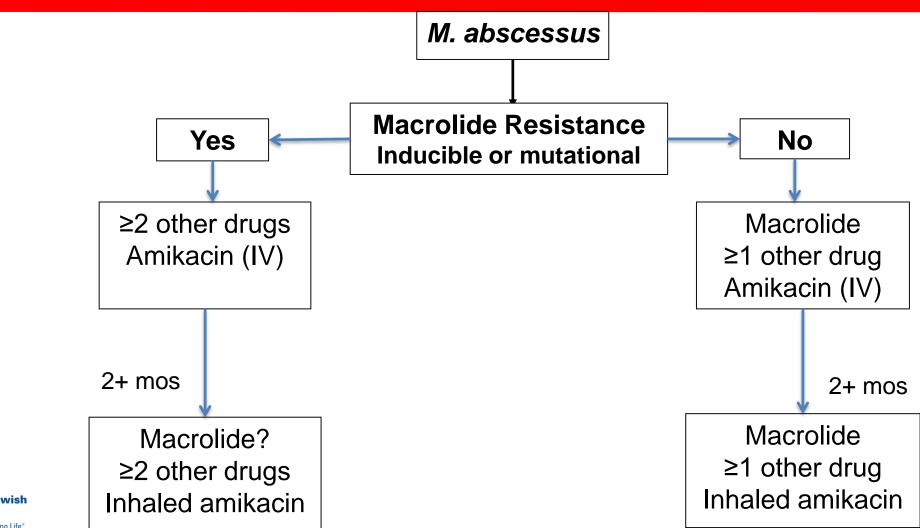




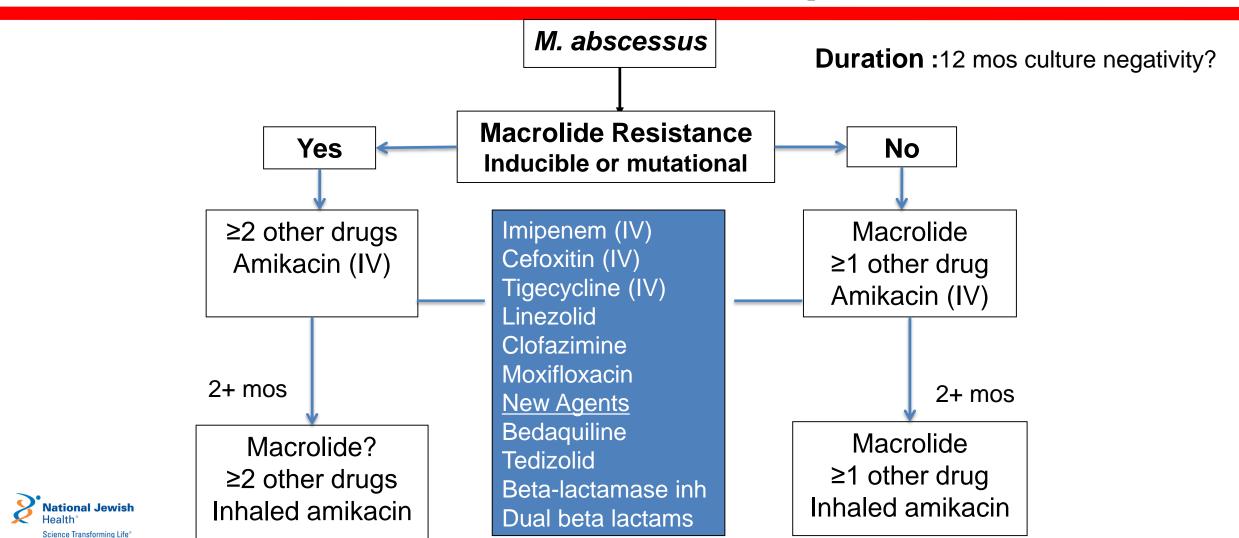












## Treatment Outcomes for M. abscessus vs. M. massiliense

Study	Population	Treatment	N	Sputum conversion	Failure to convert	Relapse
Koh,	Non Cystic	M. abscessus	24	25%	58%	17%
2011	Fibrosis	M. massiliense	33	<b>88%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>9%</b>
Lyu,	Non Cystic	M. abscessus	26	42%	27%	31%
2014	Fibrosis	M. massiliense	22	<b>96%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>5%</b>
Roux, 2015	Cystic Fibrosis	M. abscessus M. massiliense	12 7	25% <b>86%</b>	- -	-
Park,	Non Cystic	M. abscessus	19	26%	74%	55%
2017	Fibrosis	M. massiliense	17	82%	<b>18%</b>	<b>0%</b>



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## Treatment Outcomes with *M. abscessus*Systematic Review and Meta-analysis

- 14 studies identified (8 provided individual patient data, 303 patients)
- Treatment success
  - culture conversion for ≥ 12 months while on treatment or sustained culture conversion without relapse until the end of treatment
- Treatment success
  - Overall 45.6%
  - M. abscessus subspecies abscessus 33.0%
  - M. abscessus subspecies massiliense 56.7%
- Imipenem, azithromycin, or parenteral amikacin associated with success in M. abscessus subspecies abscessus

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