



Molecular Epidemiology of *Clostridium difficile*

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A disease caused by *Clostridioides difficile* often follows the treatment of other bacterial infections with antibiotics. Its clinical manifestations range from diarrhea to life-threatening damage to the colon. Multiple studies on the molecular epidemiology of this pathogen were performed to identify transmission routes and genetic features responsible for transmission, the severity of the disease, and the frequency of recurrences. Knowledge acquired in these studies did allow for controlling outbreaks.

The aim of this Special Issue is to present what is currently known about this pathogen: ways of transmission, persistence in patients and in the environment, the prevalence of specific strains in geographic regions, and the role played by genetic factors complicating its elimination.





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