The result revealed that the strains of *S. epidermidis* isolated from patients with chronic rhinitis and sinusitis had the virulence gene *icaA* responsible for adhesive properties, 5 times more frequently than in strains isolated from healthy individuals. In the phenotypic test in buccal cells, the strains of *S. epidermidis* had an index of adhesion is 3 times higher than strains isolated from healthy individuals. The adhesion index of strains isolated from patients were 2–4 times higher than that of strains isolated from healthy individuals. Strains of *Klebsiella oxytoca* isolated from humans with sinusitis, had virulence genes *MrkD, magA, kfu*, which are characteristic for strains of *Klebsiella pneumoniae*. In phenotypic tests it was found that the adhesion index in *K. oxytoca* strains isolated from patients was 4 times higher than in strains of this species isolated from healthy individuals. To confirm the etiological role of the opportunistic microorganism in the development of the infectious process, it is necessary to be guided by data on genetic and phenotypic markers of virulence of the isolated strain. This will help to prescribe adequate therapy in the early stages of the infectious process and prevent the development of complications.

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**PARVOVIRUS INFECTION: DISSEMINATION, MEDICAL-SOCIAL SIGNIFICANCE**

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The clinical importance of parvovirus infection (PVI) is associated with the teratogenic effect of the virus, as well as its ability to disrupt erythropoiesis. Currently, in a number of countries, including Russia, there is no systematic registration of PVI cases, therefore the true extent of its spread is unknown. Also, the problems are not solved of preventing congenital PVI in children, as well as of viral safety at transfusion of blood and its components. However, the detection of cases of PVI in the Russian Federation has increased significantly during the rubella integration into the measles elimination program, which involves a laboratory examination of patients with exanthematous diseases. Identification of cases of PVI on the territories of the North-West Federal District (NWFD) of the Russian Federation in the period 2014–2017 allows to obtain new information about the spread of infection in the region. 1,044 blood sera of patients with maculopapular rash and fever were received from 11 territories of the NWFD. The presence of serum IgM antibodies to parvovirus B19 was assessed as sign of acute PVI. Specific IgM antibodies were detected using the Anti-Parvovirus B19 ELISA IgM test system (EUROIMMUN, Germany). IgG antibodies were used to examine 733 sera from clinically healthy men and women aged 18 to 60 years.

The result revealed that the strains of *S. epidermidis* isolated from patients with chronic rhinitis and sinusitis had the virulence gene *icaA* responsible for adhesive properties, 5 times more frequently than in strains isolated from healthy individuals. In the phenotypic test in buccal cells, the strains of *S. epidermidis* had an index of adhesion is 3 times higher than strains isolated from healthy individuals. Some species of *Streptococcus* such as *S. mitis, S. anginosus, S. oralis*, isolated from patients with high frequency. In the study of strains of these species for the presence of virulence genes *sagA, lmb, fap1, ply, lytA* was found that the strains isolated from patients, were often several times than the strains isolated from healthy individuals. The adhesion index of strains isolated from patients were 2–4 times higher than that of strains isolated from healthy individuals. Strains of *Klebsiella oxytoca* isolated from humans with sinusitis, had virulence genes *MrkD, magA, kfu*, which are characteristic for strains of *Klebsiella pneumoniae*. In phenotypic tests it was found that the adhesion index in *K. oxytoca* strains isolated from patients was 4 times higher than in strains of this species isolated from healthy individuals. To confirm the etiological role of the opportunistic microorganism in the development of the infectious process, it is necessary to be guided by data on genetic and phenotypic markers of virulence of the isolated strain. This will help to prescribe adequate therapy in the early stages of the infectious process and prevent the development of complications.

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**SENSITIVITY OF 2018 KAZAKHSTAN INFLUENZA TYPE B VIRUSES TO ANTVIRAL DRUGS**


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As it’s known, a characteristic feature of the influenza virus is its high variability, manifested by a wide variety of properties of circulating seasonal strains. One of the characteristics of epidemiologically relevant viruses which is most important to clinical practice is their sensitivity to chemotherapy drugs.

To examine the drug sensitivity of three influenza type B viruses isolated in 2018 from clinical samples collected in health care facilities located in Almaty region, etiotropic anti-influenza drugs, including Remantadine, Tamiflu, Arbidol and Ingavirin, were used. The experiments were carried out on chick embryos. The resistance of influenza viruses to different concentrations of antiviral drugs was assessed by the level of reproductive suppression of 100 infectious doses for the virus. The dose of the drug that suppressed twofold the virus titer in the hemagglutination reaction compared to the control was considered as the inhibitory concentration (IC50).

The Kazakhstan influenza B viruses showed a high degree of sensitivity to Tamiflu (IC50 values were 0.58 to 1.40 mg/mL). The strains studied were less sensitive to Remantadine since their reproduction was inhibited by the drug at concentrations of 13.13–37.50 mg/mL. The isolates exhibited absolute stability in relation to the drug Ingavirin, except for one virus, which showed a low degree of sensitivity, because it was suppressed to less than 50% when using the highest dose of the drug (50 mg/mL). The strains taken in the experiment turned out to be completely resistant to Arbidol.

The performed experiments thereby showed that the examined 2018 Kazakhstan isolates of influenza type B virus are sensitive to Tamiflu and Remantadine and resistant to Arbidol and Ingavirin.