Antimicrobial resistance among diverse zoonotic foodborne pathogens (A-RAFBP): The management and treatment of diverse potentially life-threatening infections is usually hampered by the rise in antimicrobial resistant pathogens. Antibiotic resistance among common foodborne pathogens has been reported in different geographical areas. Antimicrobial resistance among bacteria recovered from meat and meat products is often associated with the indiscriminate use of antibiotics during production of food animals for either prophylaxis, accelerating growth or for treatment. The aim of this presentation is to i. Discuss the findings on antimicrobial resistance among Listeria monocytogenes, Salmonella and Escherichia coli O157 and non-O157 E. coli that were isolated from meat and meat products from South Africa and from 3 major ports of entry; ii To compare the antimicrobial resistance profiles of Listeria monocytogenes, Salmonella and Escherichia coli O157 and non-O157 E. coli isolated from meat in other geographical areas; and iii. To discuss existing gaps and potential direction for future research.

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