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Abstract

Although fluoroquinolones are considered as an alternative therapy of pulmonary *Mycobacterium avium* complex (MAC) disease (1), association of fluoroquinolone resistance and MAC genotypes in clinical isolates from individuals not previously treated for MAC infection has not been fully shown. A total of 154 *M. avium* isolates and 35 *Mycobacterium intracellulare* isolates were obtained from treatment-naïve patients with pulmonary MAC disease at the diagnosis of MAC infection at 8 hospitals in Japan. The susceptibility of moxifloxacin was determined by broth microdilution methods. Moxifloxacin-resistant isolates were examined for mutations of *gyrA* and *gyrB*. Variable numbers of tandem repeats (VNTR) assay was performed using 15 *M. avium* VNTR loci and 16 *M. intracellulare* VNTR loci. Moxifloxacin susceptibility was categorized as resistant and intermediate for 6.5% and 16.9% of *M. avium* isolates and 8.6% and 17.1% of *M. intracellulare* isolates, respectively. Although *M. avium* and *M. intracellulare* isolates had amino acid substitutions of Thr 96 and Thr 522 at the sites corresponding to Ser 95 and Gly 520 in the *M. tuberculosis* proteins GyrA and GyrB, respectively, these substitutions were observed irrespective of susceptibilities and did not confer resistance. VNTR assays showed three clusters among *M. avium* isolates and two clusters among *M. intracellulare* isolates. No significant differences in

moxifloxacin resistance were observed among these clusters. In conclusion, although resistance to moxifloxacin was observed in approximately one-fourth of *M. avium* and *M. intracellulare* isolates, this resistance was not associated with mutations in *gyrA* and *gyrB* or with VNTR genotypes.

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