

## MAD-ID News

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**Lindsay Williams,  
B.Sc.(Pharm)**

### MAD-ID Welcomes Lindsay Williams as Executive Coordinator

In October 2022, Lindsay Williams joined MAD-ID as Executive Coordinator!

Lindsay is a practicing clinical pharmacist in Ontario, Canada with over ten years' experience leading a hospital-based antimicrobial stewardship program. She is a MAD-ID advanced antimicrobial stewardship program trainee and annual meeting attendee with a passion for the mission and vision of MAD-ID.

Lindsay has already jumped in and will coordinate various MAD-ID operations and implement strategic initiatives to increase the value of MAD-ID to you!

### Video Review: Clindamycin vs. Linezolid: Time to Rethink Therapy for Group A Strep Necrotizing Skin Infections?

*Video Credit: Ashlan Kunz-Coyne*

The 2014 Infectious Diseases Society of America (IDSA) skin and soft tissue guidelines recommend penicillin and clindamycin as combination therapy for necrotizing Group A Strep skin infections. However, clindamycin use concerns including rising resistance rates and associated *C. difficile* infections may warrant use of an alternative agent such as linezolid over clindamycin.

**Check out the 2 minute video review** of this controversy below!



[Direct Link to Video on YouTube](#)

## MAD-ID Presenter Highlight: Dr. Ashita Debnath

*By: Caleb Rux*

Today we feature **Ashita Debnath, PharmD, BCIDP**, former PGY2 ID pharmacy resident at The University of Rochester Medical Center.

Check out her study: [Clinical Outcomes and Treatment Strategies in Patients With Non-Carbapenemase-producing Carbapenem-Resistant Versus Carbapenem-Susceptible Enterobacterales Infections](#) published in Annals of Pharmacotherapy!

In this study, Dr. Debnath and colleagues found no difference in clinical outcomes between non-carbapenemase-producing CRE and carbapenem-susceptible Enterobacterales infections. This study is a welcome addition to the currently limited literature on management and outcomes of non-carbapenemase-producing CRE.

Currently, Dr. Debnath is an infectious diseases clinical pharmacy specialist at Community Medical Center in Toms River, NJ.



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*The Presenter Highlight Column features recent publications from former abstract presenters at the 2022 Annual MAD-ID Meeting*

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## Meet MAD-ID: Rachel Britt

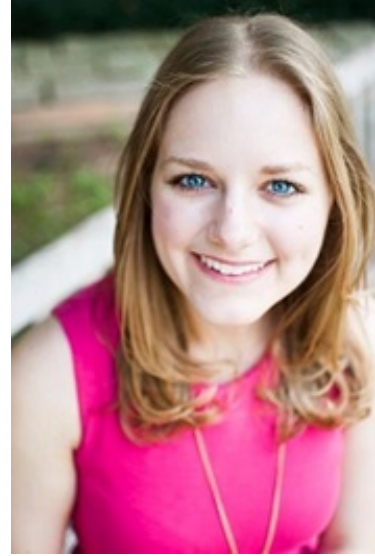
*By: David Ha*

Dr. Britt serves as on the Social Media Committee for MAD-ID.

She is currently Clinical Practice Specialist - Infectious Diseases at UTMB Health in Galveston, Texas. She received her PharmD from the University of Texas at Austin, and PGY1 and PGY2 Infectious Diseases residency at Beth Isreal Deaconness Medical Center in Boston, MA.

She is a member of ACCP ID PRN, SIDP, MAD-ID, TSHP (Texas Society), GCSHP (Gulf Coast Society) and says she "just fell into" the Social Media Committee with MAD-ID.

In her free time she loves reading, traveling, and eating!



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*The Meet MAD-ID Column features MAD-ID committee members and volunteers*

*Keep an eye out for opportunities to get involved at the MAD-ID Annual Meeting and through MAD-ID Communications*

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## Keep an Eye Out for the MAD-ID Communications Survey!

*By: Gustavo Alvira-Arill*

Whether it is through the MAD-ID Annual Meeting, webinars, or social media, the MAD-ID communications team wants to know how you interact with MAD-ID and what most interests you.

Look forward to a brief survey in the new year. We appreciate your responses as these will help us to mold our communications strategy moving forward!

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**Don't Forget about the MAD-ID Webinar on Fluoroquinolone Prophylaxis for Neutropenic Fever with UPMC, Infectious Disease Connect, and Michigan Medicine January 25, 2023**

# A Pro/Con Debate on Fluoroquinolone Prophylaxis for Neutropenic Fever



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## Free Webinar

Jan. 25, 2023



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