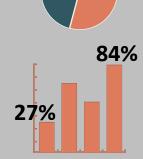
EMPIRIC ANTIBACTERIAL THERAPY AND COMMUNITY-ONSET BACTERIAL CO-INFECTION IN PATIENTS HOSPITALIZED WITH COVID-19: A MULTI-HOSPITAL COHORT STUDY



Early Empiric Antibacterial Therapy

Prescribed to 56.6% of Patients



Varied Widely Across
Hospitals

<u>Decreased</u> Over Time



Community-onset <u>Bacterial Infections Rare</u>



Stewardship Needed! Considerations:

- ✓ Diagnostic testing very limited
- ✓ Empiric antibacterials linked to long COVID19 turnaround times
- ✓ Procalcitonin <0.1ng/mL → negative predictive value 98.3% for confirmed co-infection</p>

1705 patients hospitalized with COVID-19 in 38 Michigan Hospitals

