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purpose: He became a professor who teaches healthcare workers how, when, and why wash their hands! Here, we describe the multimodal strategy centered around Ozires. Methods: The multimodal strategy consists of 7 key elements: (1) the robot, accompanied by a infection control practitioner, performs audio and video lectures about hand hygiene techniques, motivational videos, data feedback; (2) the robot's wood copies with sound alert with motion detector for hand hygiene are spread out in the whole hospital; (3) fridge magnet with robot prints (gifts for patients and healthcare professionals); (4) app for hand hygiene monitoring (Hands Clean); (5) adherence rates by professional category and individual feedback; (6) patient empowerment for hand hygiene; and (7) sound alert for hand hygiene in the patient room's door. **Results:** After the insertion of Ozires in 3 ICUs of hospital A (pilot study), the hand hygiene (HH) rate increased from ~36%, between January and July 2016, to ~68% between August 2016 and October 2019. At hospital B, Ozires started his lectures in May 2018, throughout the hospital. Hand hygiene adherence increased from 23% between July and December 2017 to 60% between June 2018 and October 2019. In the 3 months before this multimodal strategy was implemented in hospital C (June-August 2019), and the mean rate of hand hygiene was 65%. With the robot, the hand hygiene rate increased to 94% (September-October 2019). Conclusions:

The multimodal strategy centered around the robot Ozires works! Hand hygiene compliance increased significantly after the interventions. People listen the robot much more attentively than to their human colleagues, and healthcare worker behavior changed! We need to go further improve the program, but it is sustainable. Finally, we succeeded in convincing people to improve their hand hygiene practices.

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Identification of Aminoglycoside Resistance Genes From Bacteria Isolated From Selected Municipal Drinking Water Distribution Systems in Southwestern Nigeria

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Background: Multidrug-resistant bacteria can lead to treatment failure, resulting in infectious diseases being transferred through nonpotable water. Aminoglycosides are an important class of antibiotics that are abused in Nigeria. Few studies have investigated aminoglycoside-modifying genes (AMGs) that are likely responsible for resistance in Nigeria bacteria isolates. Therefore, we aimed to characterize AMGs from isolates in drinking water distribution systems (DWDS) in southwestern Nigeria. Methods: Multidrugresistant bacteria (n = 181) that had been previously characterized by 16S rDNA sequencing and that were positive for resistance to at least 1 aminoglycoside antibiotic were selected from 6 treated and untreated water distribution systems. Strains were PCR genotyped for 3 AMGs: *aph*(3")c, *ant*(3")b and *aph*(6)-1dd. **Results:** Of 181 MDR bacteria tested, 69 (38.12%) were positive for at least 1 of the AMGs. The most common was ant(3")c (27.6%), followed by aph(3")c(18.23%). Both aph(3")c and ant(3")b were found in 7.73% of tested isolates, *ant*(3")b was most commonly found in *Alcaligenes* spp (50%). Furthermore, *aph*(3")c was most commonly detected in *Proteus* spp (50%). Other genera positive for AMGs included Acinetobacter, Aeromonas, Bordetella, Brevundimonas, Chromobacterium, Klebsiella, Leucobacter, Morganella, Pantoae, Proteus, Providencia, Psychrobacter, and Serratia. Conclusions: High occurrence of ant(3")c and aph(3")c among these bacteria call for urgent attention among public health workers because these genes can be easily disseminated to consumers if present on mobile genetic elements like plasmids, integrons, and transposons.

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