

Drug-Resistant Gonorrhoea Could be the Next Superbug

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A public health expert warned attendees of the Society for General Microbiology spring meeting in Edinburgh, Scotland, that *Neisseria gonorrhoeae*, the bacteria responsible for the sexually transmitted disease gonorrhoea, are becoming so resistant to antibiotics that they soon could be classified as a superbug.

Catherine Ison, a professor at the Health Protection Agency Centre for Infections in London, presented a paper addressing the problem of antibiotic resistance among gonorrhoea. Ison reported that some strains are showing decreased sensitivity to the antibiotics ceftriaxone and cefixime.

"Ceftriaxone and cefixime are still very effective but there are signs that resistance particularly to cefixime is emerging and soon these drugs may not be a good choice," she said in a statement released by the Society for General Microbiology. To read more from CTV, [CLICK HERE](#).