

Death

More than 1m people around the world die each year from infections linked to microbes resistant to antibiotics, according to a study that estimates the scale of a "silent pandemic" that is now more deadly than malaria or HIV.

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Antimicrobial resistance (AMR) has been described by experts as one of the greatest threats to public health in the 21st century.

The figures underscore the dangers of bacteria developing resistance to existing antibiotics as a result of overuse — including during the Covid-19 pandemic — against a backdrop of scant new vaccines and drugs under development to prevent or treat infections.

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