



Dear Doctor

A partner of your patient has tested positive for Mycoplasma genitalium (Mg). We recommend that your patient is tested and treated as soon as possible.

The management of Mg is complicated by the rising prevalence of macrolide resistance. If your patient is unable to attend a specialist sexual health service, they should be treated presumptively today with 1g of azithromycin, without waiting for their test result. A test of cure is highly recommended, 4 weeks after treatment.

If you suspect macrolide resistance, treatment failure or pelvic inflammatory disease, please discuss treatment options with a specialist sexual health service as other antibiotics, that may be difficult to access in the general practice, are available.

Testing for other STIs such as chlamydia, gonorrhoea, syphilis and HIV is indicated.

In Victoria, Mg testing is performed at Melbourne Sexual Health Centre (MSHC) or by forwarding specimens to the Department of Molecular Microbiology at the Royal Women's Hospital.

You can contact a sexual health physician at MSHC on 1800 009 903 to further discuss the treatment of MG, or access the Mg guidelines on the MSHC website, [www.mshc.org.au](http://www.mshc.org.au).

In summary, the current recommended treatment for MG is

- Azithromycin 1 g orally stat <sup>1,2</sup>
- With a test of cure at 4 weeks

**For more information please visit [www.mshc.org.au](http://www.mshc.org.au)**

**If you live in NSW visit [Sexually Transmissible Infections \(STIs\) and Blood Borne Viruses \(BBVs\) Factsheets - NSW Department of Health](#) or ring the [NSW Sexual Health Infoline](#) on 1800 451 624.'**

**If you live in Qld visit [Qld Department of Health Sexual Health Website](#)**

<sup>1</sup>. State of Victoria: Therapeutic Guidelines Antibiotic. Version eTG Complete 2014 available from the Therapeutic Guidelines Limited web site - [www.tg.com.au](http://www.tg.com.au)

<sup>2</sup>. Sexually Transmitted Diseases Treatment Guidelines 2015; MMWR 2015, 64 available from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention web site - [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)