

Table I. Initial Treatment Options for Non-Gonococcal Septic Arthritis Based Upon Clinical Settings*

Clinical Setting	Treatment Option
No gram stain and culture/sensitivities pending: Uncomplicated UTI or colonic disorder IVDA and/or critically ill patient	Vancomycin Vancomycin & Cefepime Vancomycin, Cefepime & Gentamicin
Gram + cocci	Vancomycin
Gram – rods	Cefepime
Gram – rods (IVDA and/or critically ill patient)	Cefepime & Gentamicin

*Updated 2011. Antibiotic coverage may vary by location. These antibiotic options may not be suitable for all patients in all settings.

Legend: UTI = Urinary Tract Infection, IVDA = Intravenous Drug Abuser, "+" = positive, "-" = negative