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**Appendix Table 1.** Questionnaire administered at preadmission testing (PAT)

Intolerance History	Low Risk History	High Risk History
Intolerance History  Isolated gastrointestinal upset (diarrhea, nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain)  Headache  Fatigue	<ul> <li>Family history</li> <li>Itching</li> <li>Isolated rash (e.g. only on arms)</li> <li>Unknown, remote (&gt;10 years ago) reaction</li> </ul>	High Risk History  Acute generalized exanthematous pustulosis  Anaphylaxis  Anemia  Angioedema/swelling  Arrhythmia  Bronchospasm (Chest tightness)  Cough  Dizzy/lightheadedness  Drug reaction with eosinophilia and systemic symptoms  Dystonia  Erythema multiforme (rash with target lesions)  Fever  Flushing/redness  Hypotension  Nasal symptoms  Organ injury  Full body rash  Serum sickness (rash with joint pain, fever, myalgia)  Shortness of breath  Stevens-Johnson syndrome (rash with mucosal lesions)  Syncope/Pass out  Throat tightness  Thrombocytopenia  Wheezing  Unknown, remote

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**Appendix Table 2**. International Classification of Diseases (ICD) codes used in electronic query for allergic reactions

<b>Description</b>	ICD-9	ICD-10
Unspecified adverse effect of drug	995.2	T50.995
medicinal and biological		
substance not elsewhere classified		
Other anaphylactic	995.0	T78.2XX
shock, not elsewhere		
classified		
Drug allergy NOS	995.2	T78.40X
Allergy, unspecified, not	995.3	T78.49
elsewhere classified		
Adverse effect of unspecified	960.0, 960.5, 960.8, 960.9	T36.0, T36.1, T36.8, T36.9.
drugs, medicaments and		T50.9
biological substances		
Anaphylactic reaction due to		T88.6XXA
adverse effect of correct drug or		
medicament properly		
administered, initial encounter		
Unspecified adverse effect of drug		T88.7XXA
or medicament, initial encounter		
Allergic urticaria	708.0	L50.0
Urticaria, idiopathic	708.1	L50.1
Other specified urticaria	708.8	L50.8
Urticaria, unspecified	708.9	L50.9
Rash and other	782.0, 782.1, 782.3,	R21, R23.2, R23.4, R23.8,
nonspecific skin eruption	782.62, 782.8	R23.9, R20
Dermatitis due to drugs and	693.0 , 693.8 , 693.9	L27.1, L27.0, L27.8, L27.9
medicines taken internally		
Unspecified pruritic	698.8 , 698.9	L29.8, L29.9
Disorder		
Laryngeal edema	478.6	J38.4
Wheezing	786.07	R06.2
Bronchospasm, acute	519.11	J98.01

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**Appendix Table 3.** Multivariable regression analysis assessing independent variables associated with being in the protocol group versus the control group

	Odds Ratio	95% Confidence Interval	p-value
Age	1.000	0.993-1.007	0.939
Sex (Male)	1.013	0.893-1.149	0.844
BMI	0.999	0.987-1.011	0.855
CCI	0.923	0.824-1.033	0.163
ASA score	0.950	0.806-1.120	0.539
Antibiotic (Cefazolin)	2.970	2.380-3.706	< 0.001

BMI, body mass index; CCI, Charlson Comorbidity Index; ASA, American Society of Anaesthesiologists

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**Appendix 4.** Prophylactic antibiotics received and adverse reactions recorded, excluding patients who received dual antibiotics

	Control (n=2034)	Protocol (n=2034)	p-value
Prophylactic antibiotic			< 0.001
Cefazolin	1724 (84.8)	1916 (94.2)	
Vancomycin	284 (14.0)	101 (5.0)	
Clindamycin	26 (1.2)	17 (0.8)	
Allergic reaction	15 (0.7)	16 (0.8)	0.852
Cefazolin	13 (86.7)	15 (93.8)	
Vancomycin	1 (6.7)	1 (6.2)	
Clindamycin	1 (6.7)	0 (0)	

Values are given as number with percentage in parentheses

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**Appendix 5.** Perioperative adverse events up to 90 days postoperatively, excluding patients who received dual antibiotics

	Control (n=2034)	Protocol (n=2034)	p-value
Superficial infection	24 (1.2)	16 (0.8)	0.204
Deep infection	8 (0.4)	10 (0.5)	0.637
C. difficile infection	4 (0.2)	3 (0.1)	0.705

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## Appendix Figure 1. Standardized differences for each variable before and after propensity score matching

