

**FREQUENCY AND PROFILE
OF *M. tuberculosis* STRAINS RESISTANCE,
WHICH WERE ISOLATED
FROM PATIENTS WITH FIRSTLY
DIAGNOSED PULMONARY
TUBERCULOSIS IN 2003–2005**

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Summary. The results of investigations are testifying about common increasing of primary resistance of *M. tuberculosis* to antituberculous medications, during 2003–2005, in patients with firstly diagnosed pulmonary tuberculosis. Increased quantity of multy- and polyresistance strains with resistance to 4–7 medications, especially to izoniazid, rifampicin and their combinations, the same way as to II-line medications.

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