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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure

on *Candida auris*

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on *Candida auris*

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Article 168 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,
- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas *Candida auris* is a fungus which can cause serious medical complications in humans, in particular respiratory illnesses, ear infections and septicaemia;
- B. whereas the fungus was identified in Japan in 2009, whereas the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recorded 13 cases between May 2013 and August 2016 and whereas 50 cases were identified in the UK between April 2015 and June 2016;
- C. whereas these fungal infections are fatal in 70% of cases, given the fungus's resistance to existing treatments, particularly echinocandins, azoles and polyenes;
- D. whereas these fungal infections are generally contracted by hospital patients, particularly in intensive care units;
- 1. Calls on the Commission, particularly through the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control, to carry out an expert analysis of the prevalence of this fungus in Europe and to raise awareness among medical experts about multi-resistant nosocomial infections.