

**Table 1. Frequency of vancomycin resistance and multiresistance\* in invasive strains of *E. faecalis* and *E. faecium*, AR-ISS, Italy, June 1, 2001-January 31, 2002**

Organism	% VRE			% Multiresistant*			% Multiresistenza in ceppi		
	Tested	Positive	%	Tested	Positive	%	VRE	Positive	%
<i>E. faecalis</i>	272	5	1.8	324	4	1.2	5	3	60.0
<i>E. faecium</i>	105	20	19.0	120	23	19.2	20	17	85.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>6.6</b>	<b>444</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>80.0</b>

\*Resistant to 3 or more antibiotics including ampicillin, vancomycin, ciprofloxacin, teicoplanin and gentamicin or streptomycin at high concentration