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Infections caused by Candida species have been increasing, and therefore, we intended to study their virulence factors and drug resistance patterns. **Materials and methods:** 145 consecutive clinical isolates of Candida species from various clinical specimens were speciated, assessed for virulence factors like biofilm formation, production of phospholipase, proteinase, coagulase, haemolysin, and hyphae. They were also tested for susceptibility to fluconazole and voriconazole.