

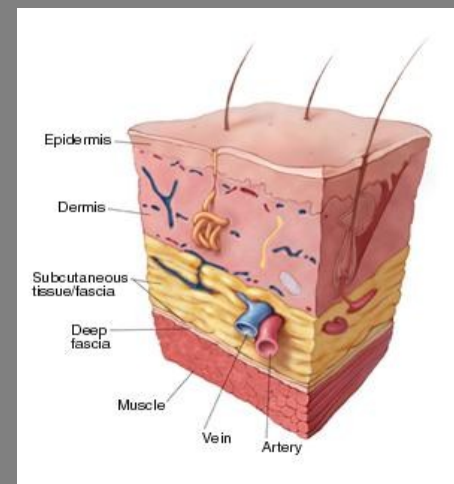
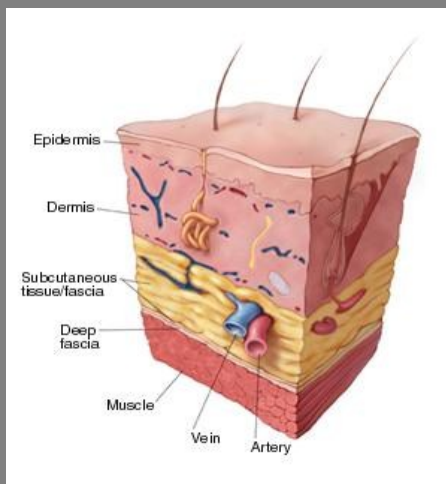
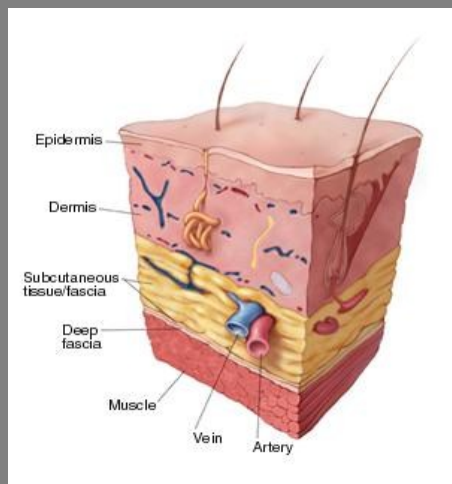
# Caso Clinico

- ✓ M.B.M. donna 34 anni giunge al DEA trasferita da altro nosocomio per comparsa da alcune ore di:
  - Iperpiressia (TC 40 °C)
  - Spiccata dolorabilità arto inferiore dx
  - Alvo diarroico
- ✓ APR: non eventi patologici di rilievo. Non allergie a farmaci
- ✓ Significativa familiarità per diabete mellito



## Condizioni generali gravissime

- Iperpiressia (TC 40°C)
- Vigile, sofferente, anurica
  - Diarrea profusa
- Ipotensione (85/40 mmHg)
  - Tachipnea (FR 40 °C)
  - Tachicardia (FC 120 bpm)
- SatO2 93% in aria ambiente
  - IRA (anuria)



- ✓ Gamba dx: lesione necrotica di circa 8 cm di diametro superficie laterale circondata da area eritematosa
- ✓ Sovrastante piccola lesione ulcerata di circa 1 cm diametro (follicolo pilifero)
- ✓ Spiccata dolorabilità spontanea ed al tatto diffusa dal piede alla coscia

# Laboratory Risk Indicator for Necrotizing Fasciitis (LRINEC) score

Variable, Units	$\beta$	Score
C-Reactive Protein, mg/L		
<150	0	0
$\geq 150$	3.5	4
Total white cell count, per mm <sup>3</sup>		
<15	0	0
15–25	0.5	1
>25	2.1	2
Hemoglobin, g/dL		
>13.5	0	0
11–13.5	0.6	1
<11	1.8	2
Sodium, mmol/L		
$\geq 135$	0	0
<135	1.8	2
Creatinine, $\mu\text{mol/L}$		
$\leq 141$	0	0
>141	1.8	2
Glucose, mmol/L		
$\leq 10$	0	0
>10	1.2	1

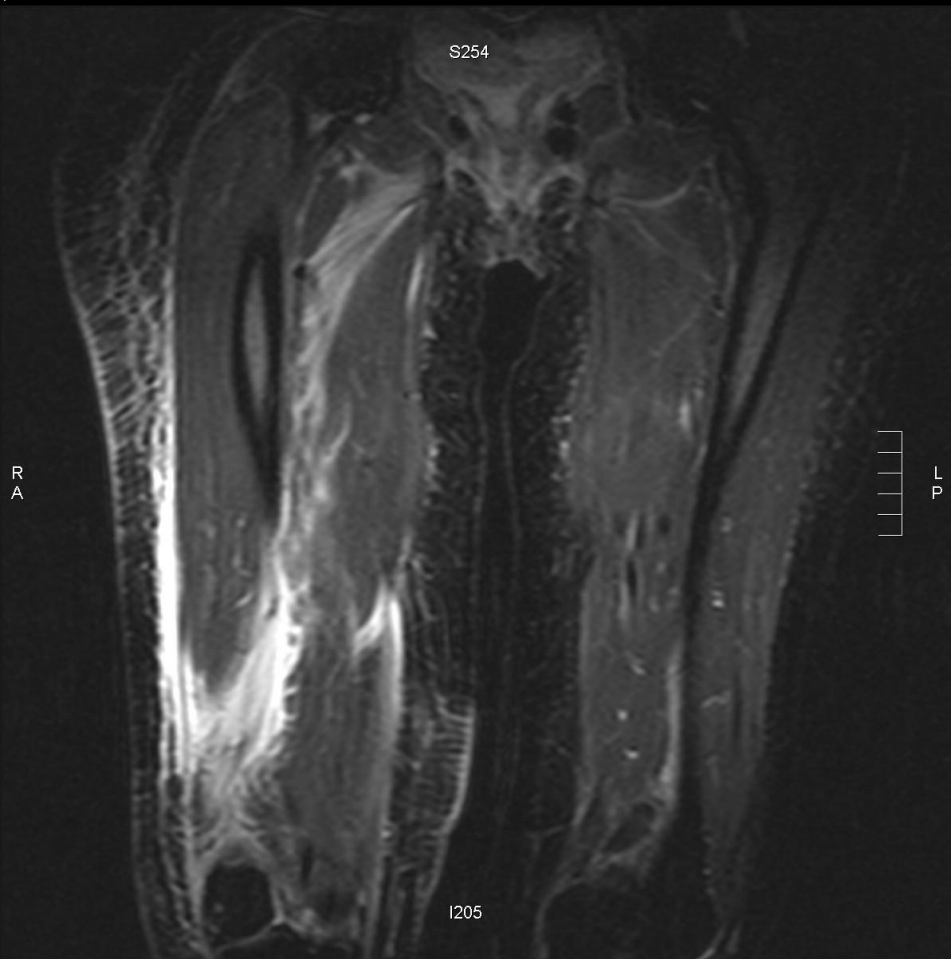
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**SCORE della pz: 8**



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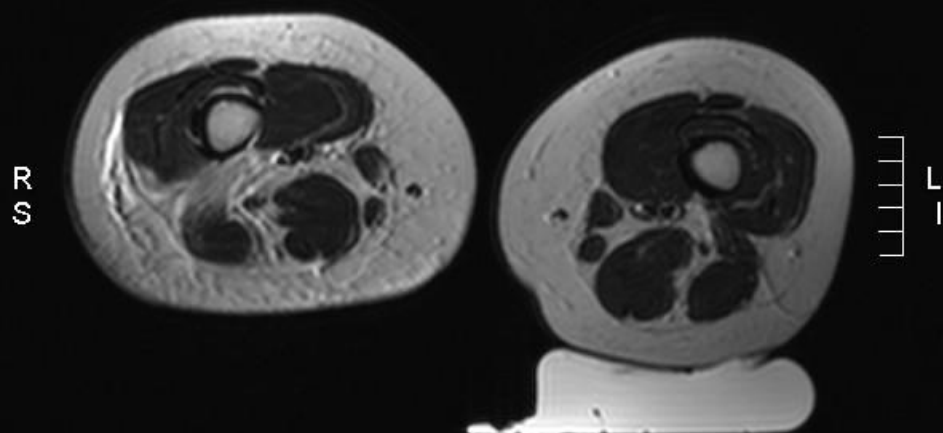
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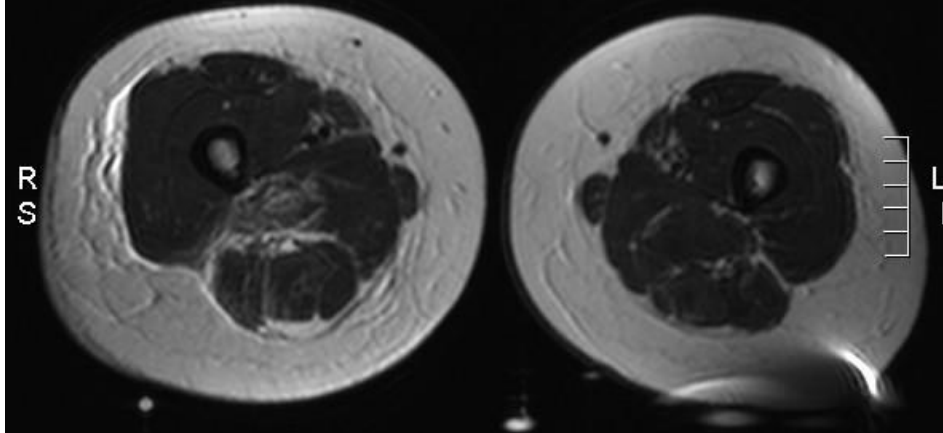
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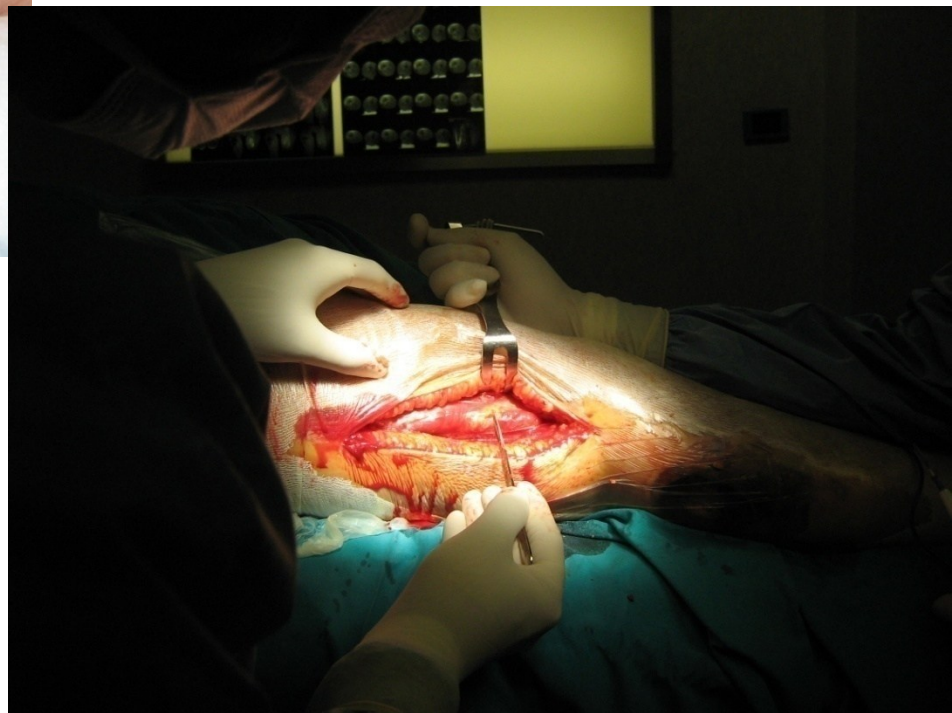
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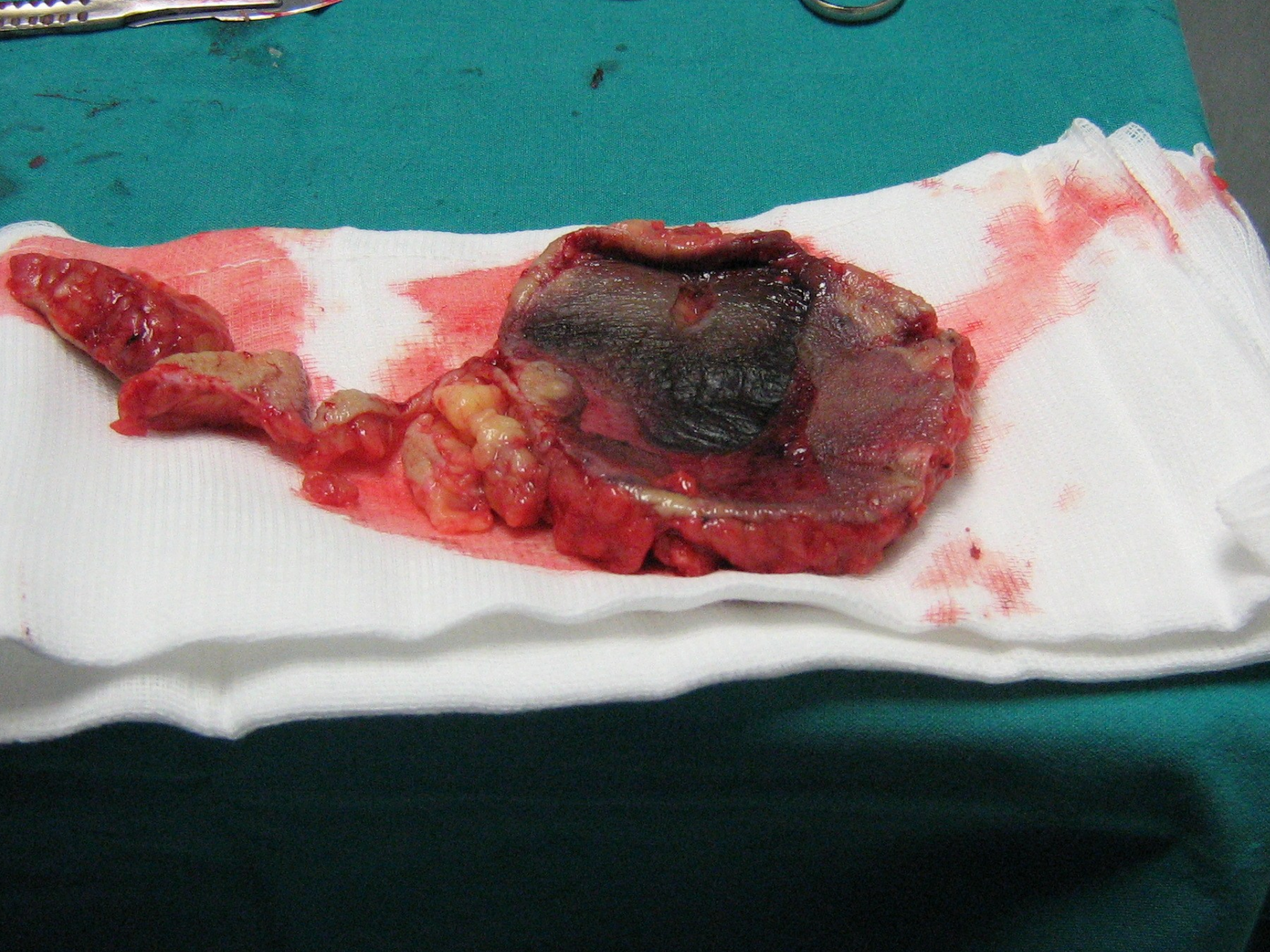
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# Intervento chirurgico

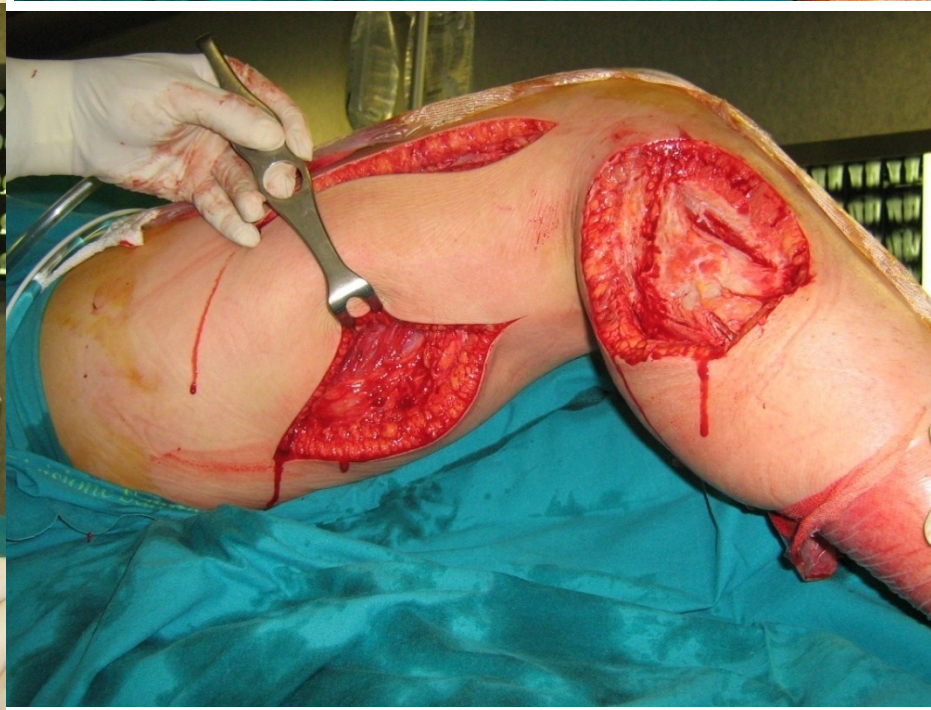
- Intervento di fasciotomia allargata
- La paziente ha inoltre effettuato sedute di camera iperbarica





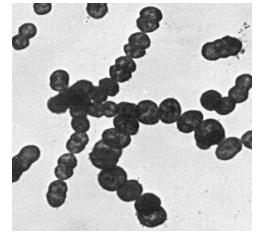






# Esami microbiologici

- Tampone Intraoperatorio
  - Esame colturale
- Ricerca DNA batterico



**STREPTOCOCCO  $\beta$  emolitico  
di gruppo A**

# Sepsi



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**La sepsi è una sindrome  
eterogenea che risulta  
da una  
complessa interazione tra  
difese  
dell'ospite e patogeno invasore**

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# Sepsis

(as 700 BCE, the Greeks recognized Σήψις)

- **Common and lethal syndrome: although outcomes have improved, mortality remains high.**
- **No specific anti-sepsis treatments exist;**
- **Early recognition**
- **Therapeutic measures to be started rapidly, including:**
  - **administration of appropriate antibiotics**
  - **source control measures when necessary**
  - **resuscitation with intravenous fluids and vasoactive drugs when needed.**

# **Sepsi: una sfida per il sistema sanitario**

- **750.000 casi/anno**
- **Sepsi severa: 51-95 pz. per 100.000 abitanti**
- **Negli USA 500 persone muoiono al giorno per sepsi grave**
  - Incremento nei pazienti anziani
  - Malattie croniche/comorbidità
  - Aumento delle procedure invasive
  - Aumentato uso degli antibiotici/resistenza
  - Pazienti immunosoppressi/steroidi



# Surviving sepsis campagne

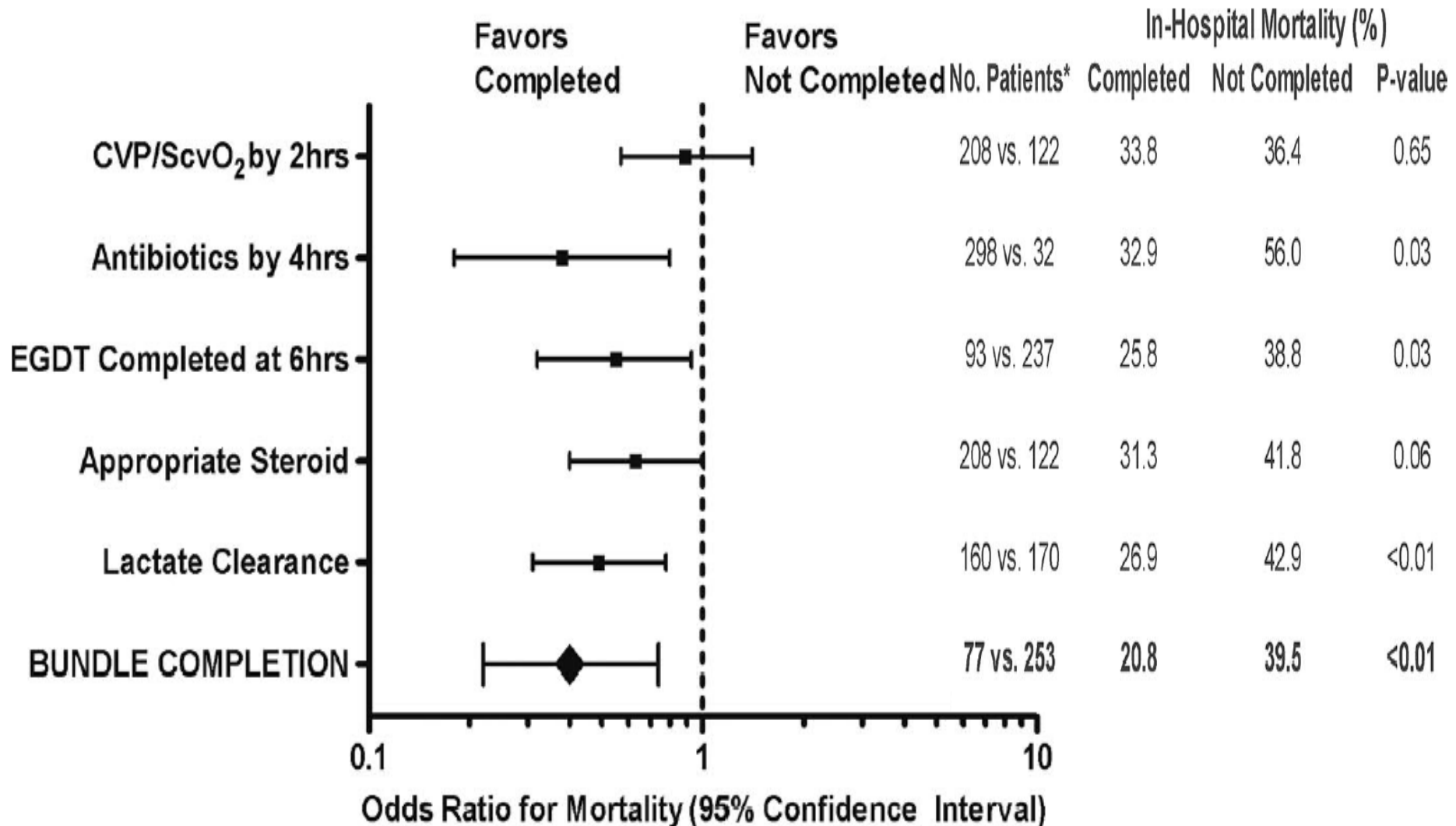
- Riconoscimento
- Principi guida di trattamento
- Progettazione bundles terapeutici relativi alle prime 6 ore di trattamento ed in misura specifica per il Dipartimento di Emergenza
- Modifica dell'organizzazione ospedaliera sul principio delle "golden hours" già in atto per l'IMA o lo stroke
- Riprogettazione della risposta assistenziale orientata al principio della intensità assistenziale

# Perché ?

<b>Patologia acuta</b>	<b>Mortalità (%)</b>
Stroke	9.3
Rottura di aneurisma aortico addominale	50.0 – 73.3
IMA	2.7 – 9.6
Sepsi	28 – 50

# Implementation of a bundle of quality indicators for the early management of severe sepsis and septic shock is associated with decreased mortality

*Nguyen BH et al, Crit Care Med 2007; 35 (4): 1106-1112*



# Sepsis incidence and outcome: Contrasting the ICU with the hospital ward

*Esteban A et al, Crit Care Med 2007*

## Impiego della terapia Intensiva e mortalità

	Sepsi	Sepsi grave	Shock settico
<b>numero</b>	<b>702</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>59</b>
<b>Incidenza (x 100,000)</b>	<b>367</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Ricovero in UTI %</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>75%</b>
<b>Mortalità non in UTI</b>		<b>36%</b>	<b>53.3%</b>
<b>mortalità in UTI</b>		<b>11%</b>	<b>33%</b>

# ***Prima qualche definizione....***

- **Batteriemia:** i batteri responsabili di un processo morboso localizzato (polmonite, enterite) invadono, anche se transitoriamente, il circolo ematico, dove possono essere identificati mediante adeguate indagini microbiologiche (emocolture)  
Può determinare la diffusione metastatica dell'infezione in altre sedi dell'organismo
- **SEPSI:** risposta infiammatoria sistemica che in genere consegue alla presenza di gravi e consistenti infezioni (polmone, addome, vie urinarie)
  - invasione microbica del circolo ematico non è indispensabile dal momento che la diffusione sistemica dei prodotti microbici è sufficiente a innescare tale risposta.
  - massiccio rilascio di citochine infiammatorie (TNF, IL-1, IL-6, IFN- $\gamma$ , IL-12, IL-8)



# What is sepsis?

## SIRS

at least 2 of the following

T° > 38°C or < 37°C

• Pulse > 90 beats/min

• RR > 20 breaths/min

• WBC > 12,000 cells/ml,  
< 4,000 cells/ml  
or > 10% immature forms

## Sepsis

SIRS plus Documented Infection

## Severe Sepsis

Sepsis plus organ failure

## Septic shock

Severe sepsis and

• Hypotension despite  
adequate resuscitation

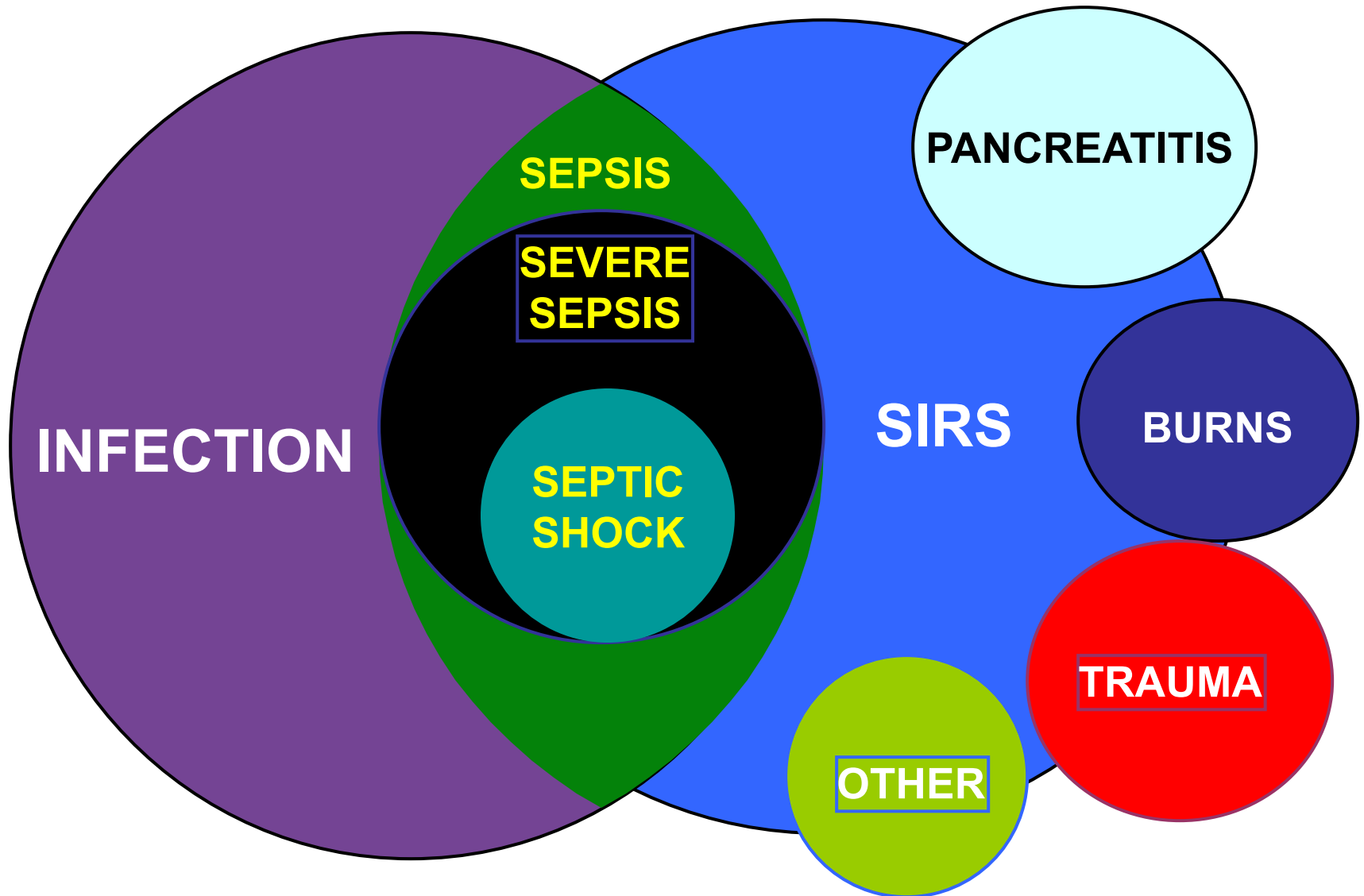
# Definizioni

**S** **Sindrome da Risposta Infiammatoria Sistemica:** risposta infiammatoria sistemica ad una varietà di insulti clinici di una certa gravità.

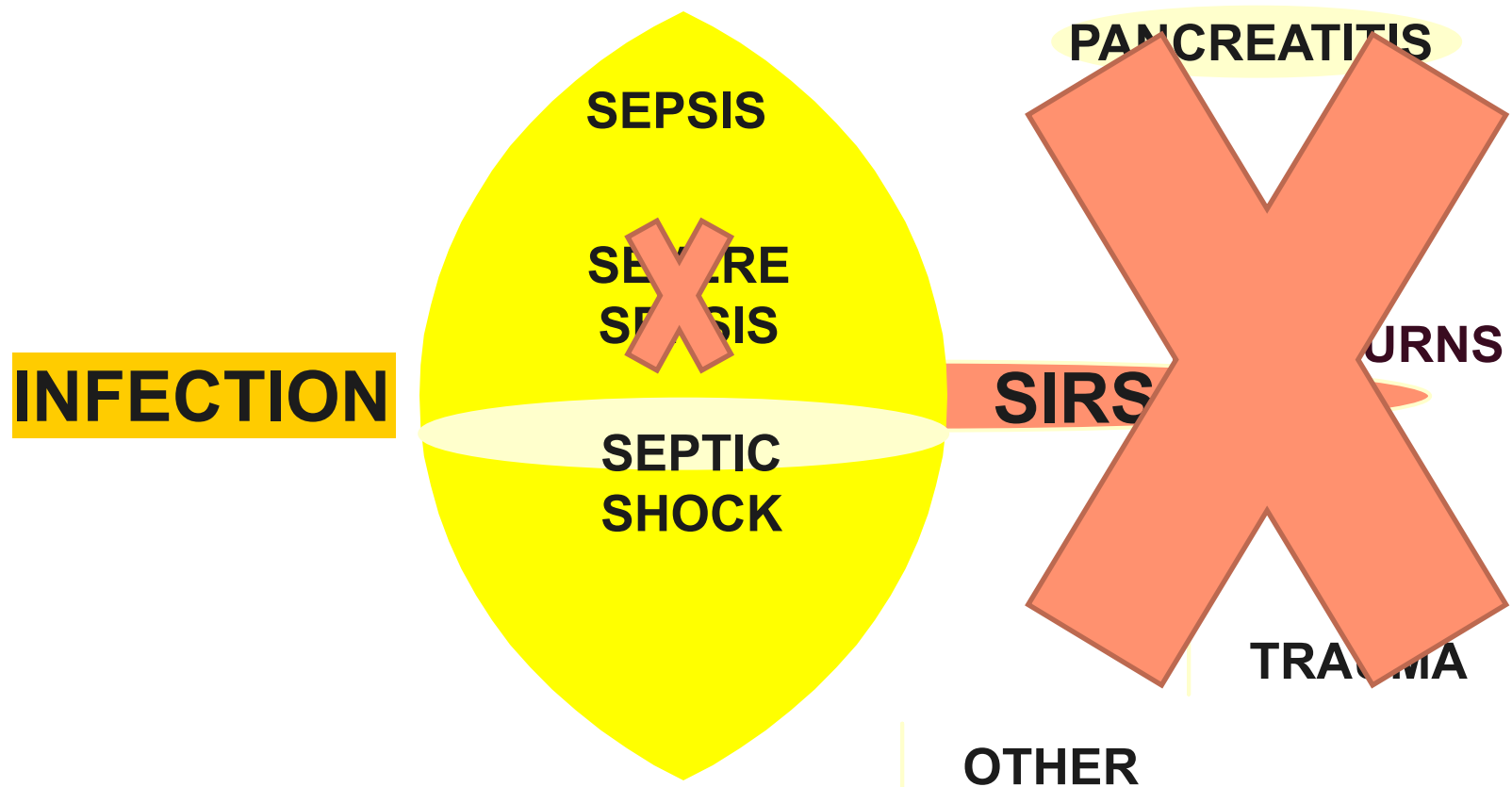
**I** E' caratterizzata da due o più delle seguenti condizioni:

- R**
- temperatura  $>38^{\circ}\text{C}$  o  $< 36^{\circ}\text{C}$
  - frequenza cardiaca  $> 90$  battiti/minuto
  - frequenza respiratoria  $> 20$  atti/min. o  $\text{PaCO}_2 < 32$  mmHg
- S**
- globuli bianchi  $> 12000/\text{mmc}$ ,  $< 4000/\text{mmc}$  o più del 10% di forme immature

# SIRS, Sepsis, Sepsis Severa e Shock Settico: quadri strettamente collegati



# ~~SIRS~~, Sepsis, Septicemia and Shock Septico



# Definitions (ACCP/SCCM, 1991)

- **Systemic Inflammatory Response Syndrome (SIRS):** the systemic inflammatory response to a variety of severe clinical insults (For example, infection).
- **Sepsis:** the systemic inflammatory response to infection.

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# Increased Understanding of Sepsis Pathobiology

- Pathways are activated with differing kinetics in individuals with sepsis and involve
  - inflammatory and anti-inflammatory signaling
  - innate and adaptive immune response, apoptosis, mitochondrial function
  - translational and transcriptional regulation, and oxidative biology

# The Definition of Sepsis

Sepsis is life-threatening organ dysfunction caused by a dysregulated host response to infection

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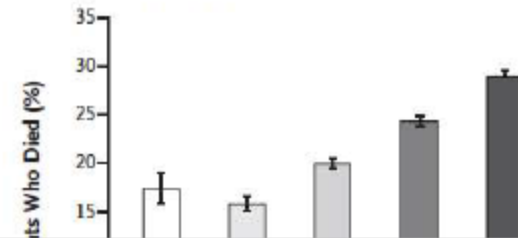
# SIRS Sensitivity

## Systemic Inflammatory Response Syndrome Criteria in Defining Severe Sepsis

Kirsi-Maija Kaukonen, M.D., Ph.D., Michael Bailey, Ph.D., David Pilcher, F.C.I.C.M.,  
D. Jamie Cooper, M.D., Ph.D., and Rinaldo Bellomo, M.D., Ph.D.

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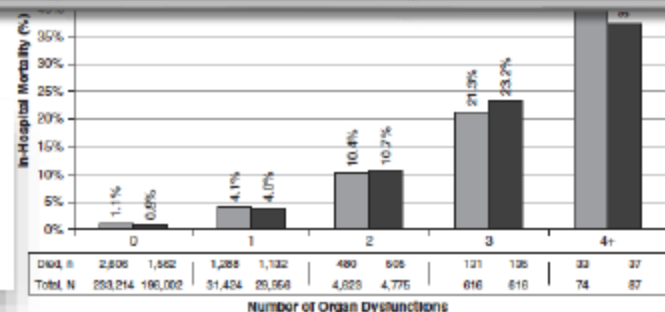
A Unadjusted Mortality



SIRS is an *appropriate* response to infection –  
or any other stimulus that activates inflammation

Am J Respir Crit Care Med 2015; 192:958-964

**Conclusions:** Almost half of patients hospitalized on the wards developed SIRS at least once during their ward stay. Our findings suggest that screening ward patients using SIRS criteria for identifying those with sepsis would be impractical.





**SIRS vs SOFA**

Table 1. Sequential [Sepsis-Related] Organ Failure Assessment Score<sup>a</sup>

System	Score				
	0	1	2	3	4
Respiration					
Pao <sub>2</sub> /Fio <sub>2</sub> , mm Hg (kPa)	≥400 (53.3)	<400 (53.3)	<300 (40)	<200 (26.7) with respiratory support	<100 (13.3) with respiratory support
Coagulation					
Platelets, ×10 <sup>3</sup> /μL	≥150	<150	<100	<50	<20
Liver					
Bilirubin, mg/dL (μmol/L)	<1.2 (20)	1.2-1.9 (20-32)	2.0-5.9 (33-101)	6.0-11.9 (102-204)	>12.0 (204)
Cardiovascular	MAP ≥70 mm Hg	MAP <70 mm Hg	Dopamine <5 or dobutamine (any dose) <sup>b</sup>	Dopamine 5.1-15 or epinephrine ≤0.1 or norepinephrine ≤0.1 <sup>b</sup>	Dopamine >15 or epinephrine >0.1 or norepinephrine >0.1 <sup>b</sup>
Central nervous system					
Glasgow Coma Scale score <sup>c</sup>	15	13-14	10-12	6-9	<6
Renal					
Creatinine, mg/dL (μmol/L)	<1.2 (110)	1.2-1.9 (110-170)	2.0-3.4 (171-299)	3.5-4.9 (300-440)	>5.0 (440)
Urine output, mL/d				<500	<200

Abbreviations: Fio<sub>2</sub>, fraction of inspired oxygen; MAP, mean arterial pressure; Pao<sub>2</sub>, partial pressure of oxygen.

<sup>a</sup> Adapted from Vincent et al.<sup>27</sup>

<sup>b</sup> Catecholamine doses are given as μg/kg/min for at least 1 hour.

<sup>c</sup> Glasgow Coma Scale scores range from 3-15; higher score indicates better neurological function.

# HOW CAN QUICKLY RECOGNIZE SEPSIS

- **q**uick
- **S**epsis-related
- **O**rgan
- **F**ailure
- **A**ssessment

← **qSOFA**

**A simple tool to identify infected patients  
who are likely to be septic outside ICU**

# qSOFA

Hypotension  
Systolic BP  
<100 mmHg

Altered  
Mental  
Status

Tachypnea  
RR >22/Min

Score of ≥2 Criteria Suggests a Greater Risk of a Poor Outcome

# What is sepsis ?

A life threatening organ dysfunction caused by a dysregulated host response to infection.



Among patients with suspected infection,



who is really sick?

- Outside the ICU, patients with suspected or presumed infection who are highly likely to have poor outcomes can be clinically identified using qSOFA
  - **SBP < 100mm Hg**
  - **RR > 22 breath/min**
  - **Altered mental status**
- In the ICU, patients with suspected or presumed infection who are highly likely to have poor outcomes can be clinically identified by the presence of 2 or more SOFA points

# Consensus definitions of Sepsis-3: no longer include SIRS

- Components of SIRS include tachycardia, tachypnea, hyperthermia or hypothermia, and abnormalities in peripheral white blood cell count.
- Many studies have shown that the presence of SIRS is nearly ubiquitous in hospitalized patients and occurs in many benign conditions, both related and not related to infection, **and thus is not adequately specific for the diagnosis of sepsis.**



«L'uso corrente della definizione di SEPSI in base alla presenza di 2 o più parametri di SIRS è considerato in maniera unanime non funzionale...»

**Box 1. SIRS (Systemic Inflammatory Response Syndrome)**

Two or more of:

Temperature  $>38^{\circ}\text{C}$  or  $<36^{\circ}\text{C}$

Heart rate  $>90/\text{min}$

Respiratory rate  $>20/\text{min}$  or  $\text{Paco}_2 <32 \text{ mm Hg (4.3 kPa)}$

White blood cell count  $>12\,000/\text{mm}^3$  or  $<4000/\text{mm}^3$   
or  $>10\%$  immature bands

From Bone et al.<sup>9</sup>

**«...i criteri di SIRS non indicano necessariamente una risposta disfunzionale e minacciosa per la vita. Sono presenti in molti pazienti ospedalizzati, inclusi quelli che non svilupperanno mai infezione, né indicano quelli con evoluzione in prognosi peggiore»**

# qSOFA (1)

- Given the limited use of SOFAs outside the ICU (no time to sit down in ED), and its complicated nature, the quick SOFA (qSOFA) has been suggested as a bedside aide-memoire to identify sepsis
- The SOFA score is not intended to be used as a tool for patient management but as a means to clinically characterize a septic patient

## qSOFA (2)

- Although qSOFA is less robust than a SOFA score of 2 or greater in the ICU, it does not require laboratory tests and can be assessed quickly and repeatedly.
- qSOFA criteria be used to prompt clinicians to further investigate:
  - **for possible infection not previously recognized**
  - **for organ dysfunction**
  - **to initiate or escalate therapy as appropriate**
  - **to consider referral to critical care or increase the frequency of monitoring**

# In pratica...

- Si passa da una definizione diagnostica a una definizione prognostica
- **PUNTO DI FORZA**: rapido assessment del paziente a rischio di potenziale evoluzione settica
- **PUNTO DI DEBOLEZZA**: sovrastima delle diagnosi di sepsi

# The Definition of Septic Shock

- What tangibly differentiates septic shock from sepsis ?
  - MORTALITY
    - Septic shock is “really, really, really bad” sepsis

**Septic shock is a subset of sepsis in which profound circulatory, cellular and metabolic abnormalities are associated with a greater risk of mortality than with sepsis alone**

# What is septic shock ?

A subset of sepsis in which  
profound circulatory, cellular and metabolic abnormalities  
are associated with  
a **greater risk of mortality** than with sepsis alone

1

Among patients with  
sepsis (that is, who have  
suspected infection and are  
*really sick*)

2

Hospital  
mortality

2

Who is *really, really, really* sick ?  
(eg, has a 50:50 chance of dying)

## New Clinical Criteria for Septic Shock

Septic shock is a subset of sepsis in which profound circulatory, cellular and metabolic abnormalities are associated with a greater risk of mortality than with sepsis alone

- Patients with septic shock can be clinically identified if, despite adequate resuscitation,
  - They require **vasopressors to maintain MAP  $\geq 65$  mmHg**
  - AND**
  - Their serum **lactate level is  $> 2$  mmol/l**

**Sepsis I-II:**     Sepsis = [Suspected infection] + [SIRS]

**Sepsis-III:**     Sepsis = [Suspected infection] + [qSOFA] + [SOFA]

Infection  
indicator

Mortality  
indicators



Patient with suspected infection

qSOFA  $\geq 2$ ?  
(see **A**)

No

Sepsis still  
suspected?

No

Monitor clinical condition;  
reevaluate for possible sepsis  
if clinically indicated

Yes

Assess for evidence  
of organ dysfunction

SOFA  $\geq 2$ ?  
(see **B**)

No

Monitor clinical condition;  
reevaluate for possible sepsis  
if clinically indicated

Yes

Sepsis

Despite adequate fluid resuscitation,  
1. vasopressors required to maintain  
MAP  $\geq 65$  mm Hg  
AND  
2. serum lactate level  $> 2$  mmol/L?

No

Yes

Septic shock

**A** qSOFA Variables

Respiratory rate

Mental status

Systolic blood pressure

**B** SOFA Variables

PaO<sub>2</sub>/FiO<sub>2</sub> ratio

Glasgow Coma Scale score

Mean arterial pressure

Administration of vasopressors  
with type and dose rate of infusion

Serum creatinine or urine output

Bilirubin

Platelet count

# Derivation, Validation, and Potential Treatment Implications of Novel Clinical Phenotypes for Sepsis

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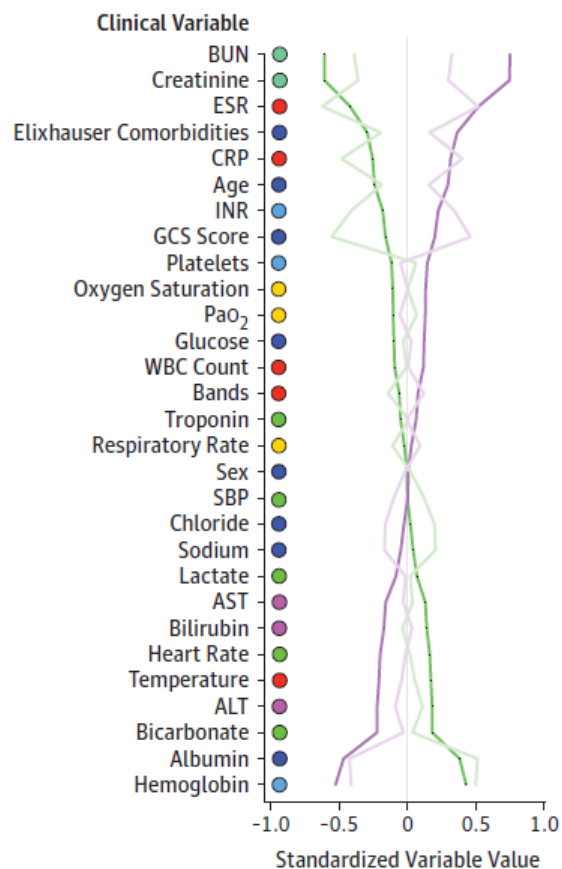
## New Phenotypes for Sepsis

### The Promise and Problem of Applying Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence in Clinical Research

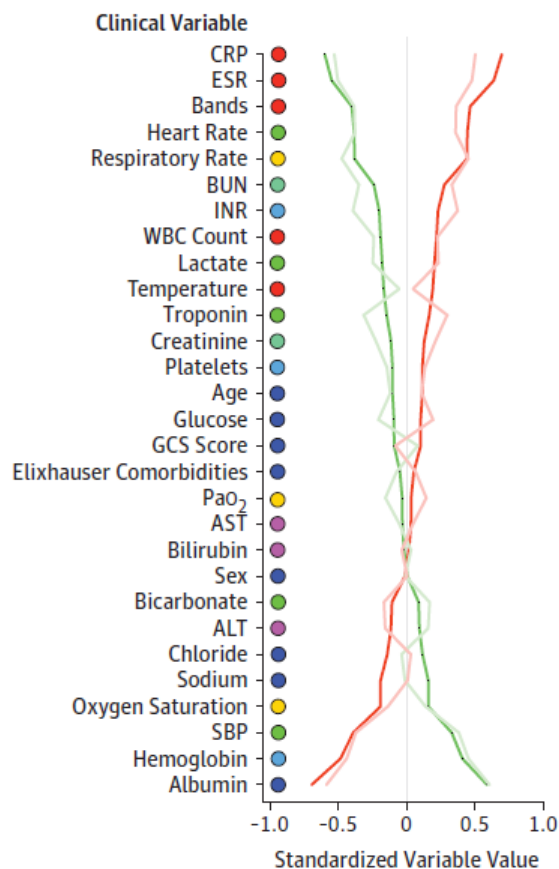
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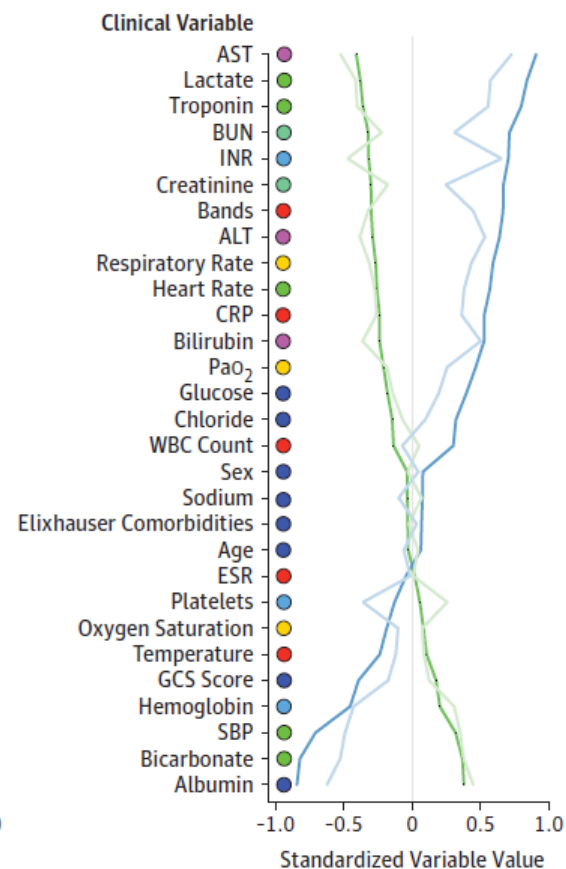
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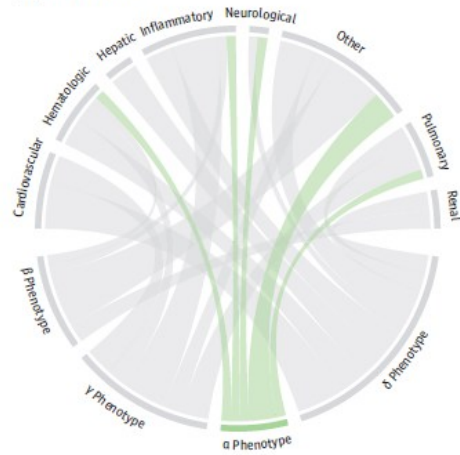
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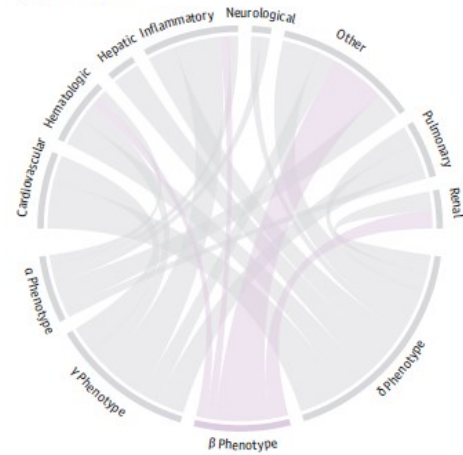
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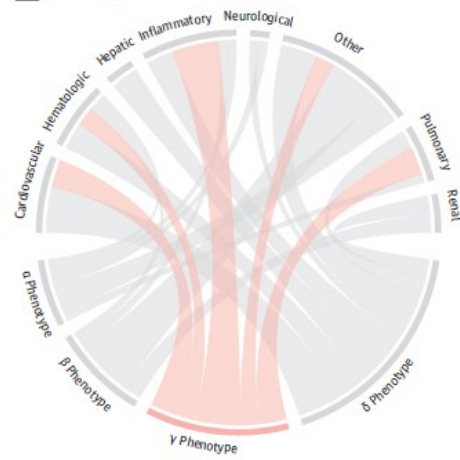
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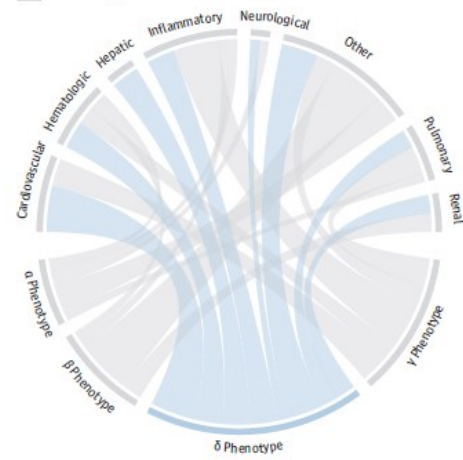
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**D**  $\gamma$  Phenotype

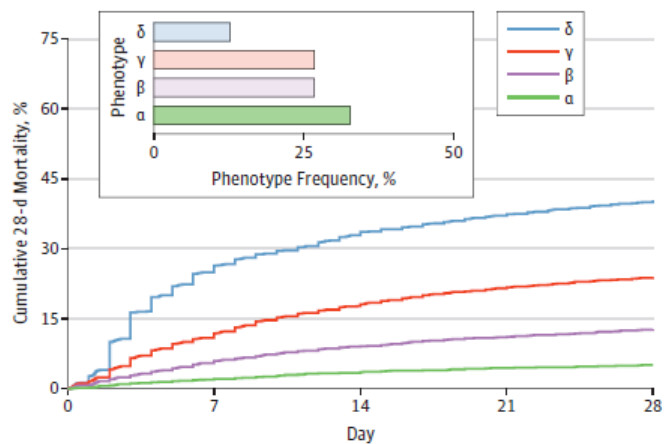


**E**  $\delta$  Phenotype

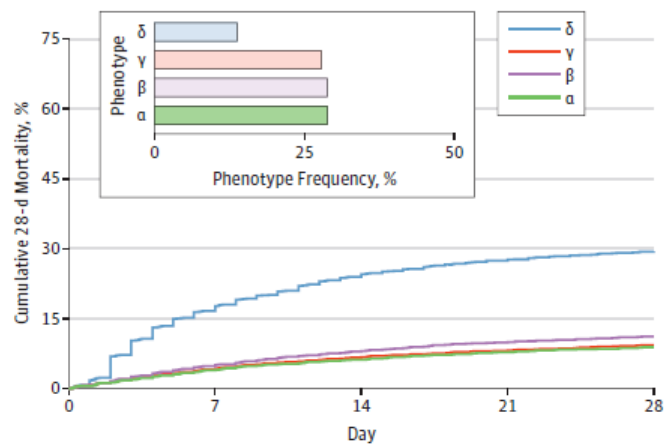


- **$\alpha$  phenotype:**
  - few abnormal laboratory values, less organ system dysfunction, and the lowest mortality rate.
- **$\beta$  phenotype:**
  - older, frequent chronic illness, kidney disease.
- **$\gamma$  phenotype:**
  - more likely to have measures of inflammation, lower albumin levels, and higher temperatures.
- **$\delta$  phenotype:**
  - high serum lactate levels, elevated levels of transaminases, hypotension, and the highest mortality rate.

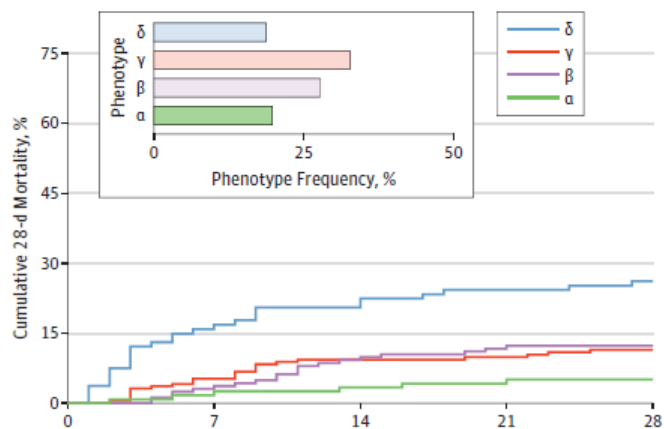
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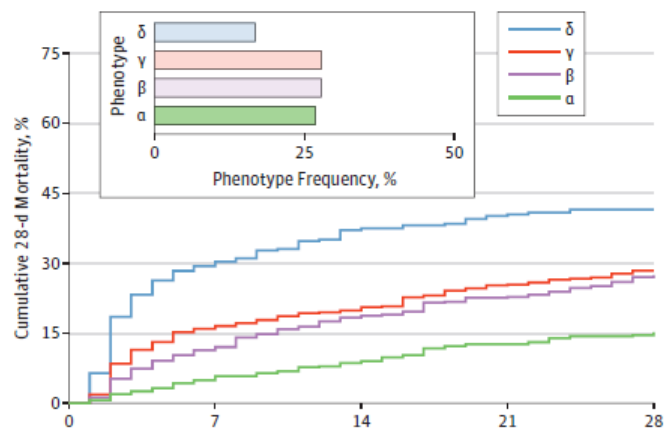
**B** SENECA validation cohort (n = 31 160)<sup>a</sup>



**C** GenIMS cohort (n = 583)



**D** ACCESS trial (n = 1706) (eritoran vs placebo)



- The study by Seymour and colleagues represents the brave new world of attempting to apply patient data, machine learning, and artificial intelligence to better understand complex, serious clinical problems.
- However, the ultimate answer to the question “will this approach improve patient outcomes?” remains unknown.

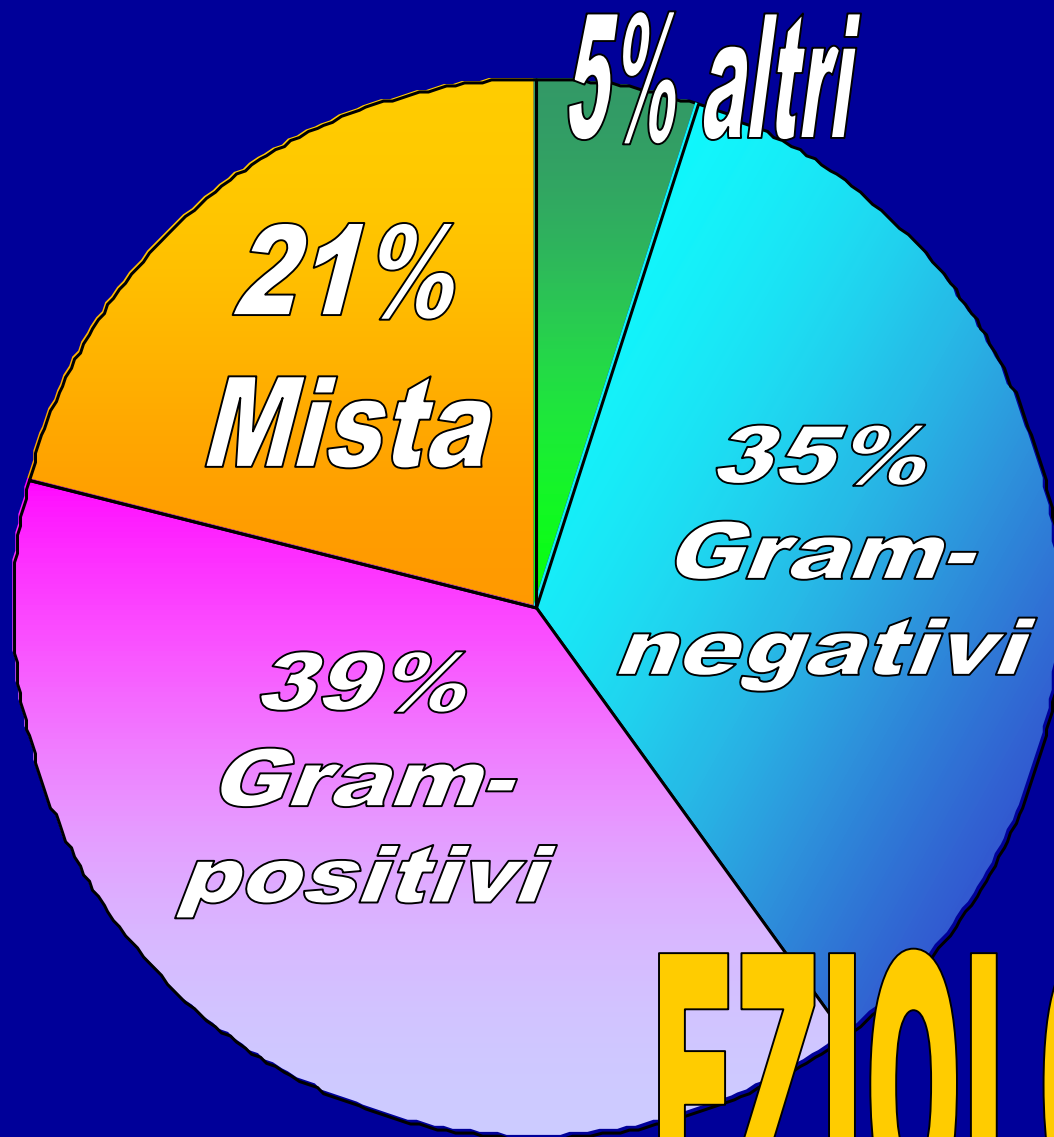
# Clinical management of sepsis

- **Screening**
- **Diagnosis**
- **Antimicrobial therapy**
- **Source control**
- **Selective decontamination**



# Principali patogeni

<b>Gram-positive bacteria</b>	<b>30–50%</b>
Meticillin-susceptible <i>S aureus</i>	14–24%
Meticillin-resistant <i>S aureus</i>	5–11%
Other <i>Staphylococcus</i> spp	1–3%
<i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i>	9–12%
Other <i>Streptococcus</i> spp	6–11%
<i>Enterococcus</i> spp	3–13%
Anaerobes	1–2%
Other gram-positive bacteria	1–5%
<b>Gram-negative bacteria</b>	<b>25–30%</b>
<i>E coli</i>	9–27%
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	8–15%
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i>	2–7%
Other <i>Enterobacter</i> spp	6–16%
<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i>	2–10%
Anaerobes	3–7%
Other gram-negative bacteria	3–12%
<b>Fungus</b>	
<i>Candida albicans</i>	1–3%
Other <i>Candida</i> spp	1–2%
Yeast	1%
Parasites	1–3%
Viruses	2–4%



**EZILOGIA**

# Bacteremia in era Preantibiotica

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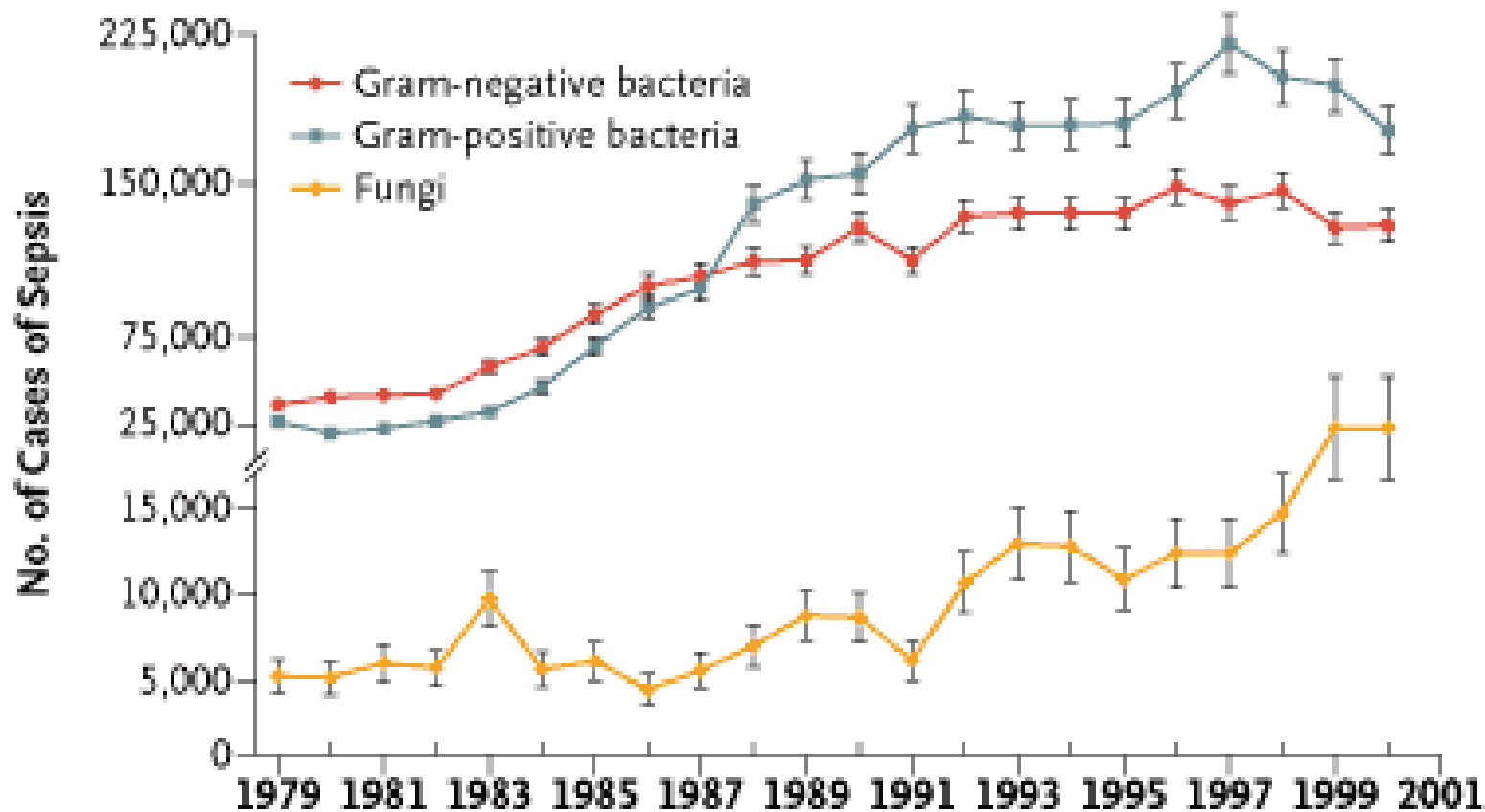
- Streptococcus pneumoniae
- Str. group A streptococcus
- Staphylococcus aureus
- Haemophilus influenzae
- Neisseria meningitidis
- Salmonella spp.

# Emergenza di Gram-Negativi

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- L'uso indiscriminato di antibiotici
- L'utilizzo di dispositivi centrali (CVC)
- Lo stato di immunodepressione

# Sepsi: eziologia

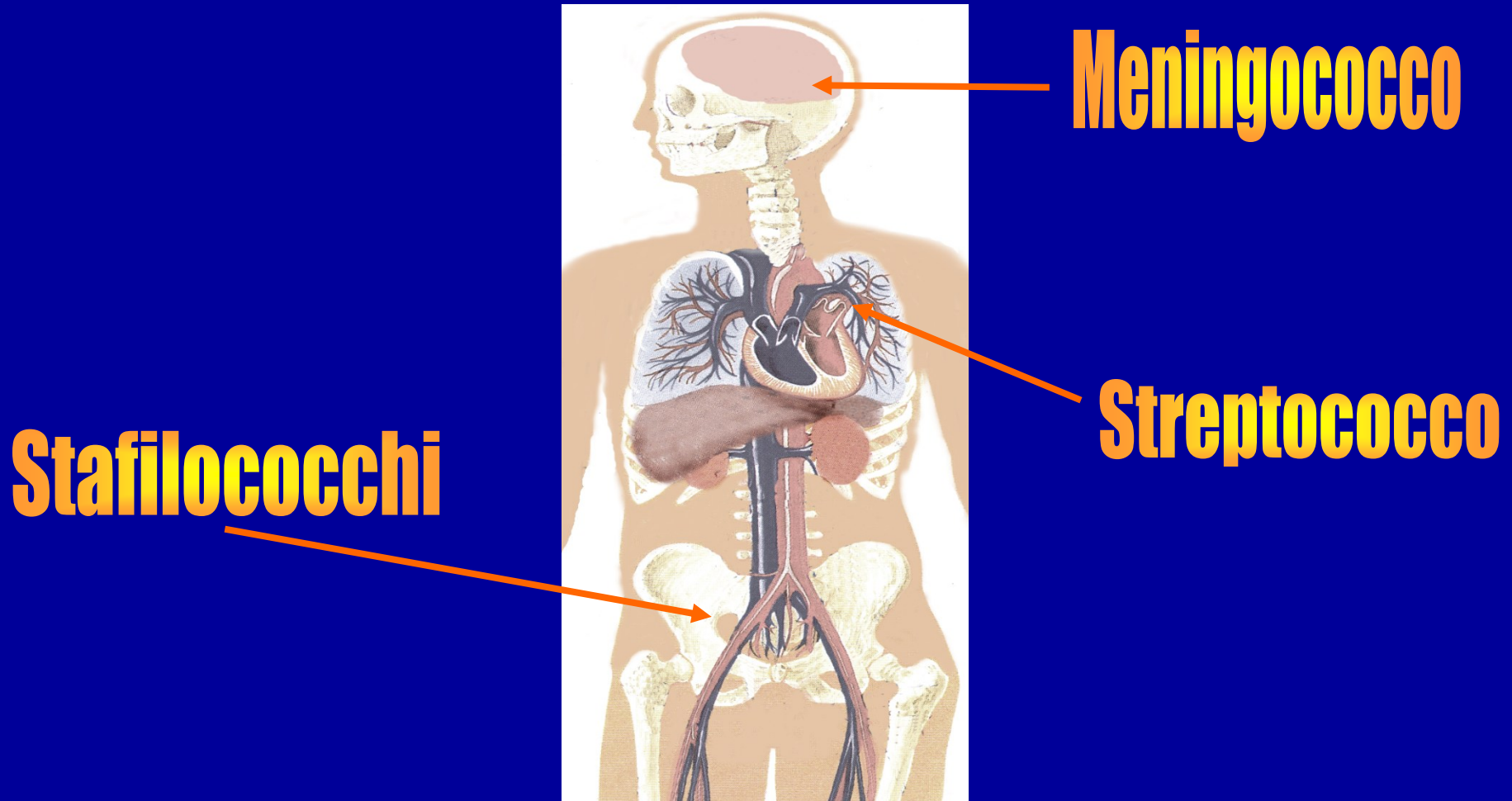


# EZIOLOGIA

La frequenza dei microrganismi varia a seconda delle cause predisponenti:

- ferite chirurgiche, CVC, protesi, neutropenia  
*Stafilococchi* 
- infezioni urinarie, cateteri vescicali  
*E. coli* 
- insorgenza nosocomiale, immunodeficit  
*P. aeruginosa* 

***Focolaio sepsigeno sito  
in qualsiasi parte dell'organismo.  
Immissione in circolo dei patogeni  
con formazione di focolai metastatici.***





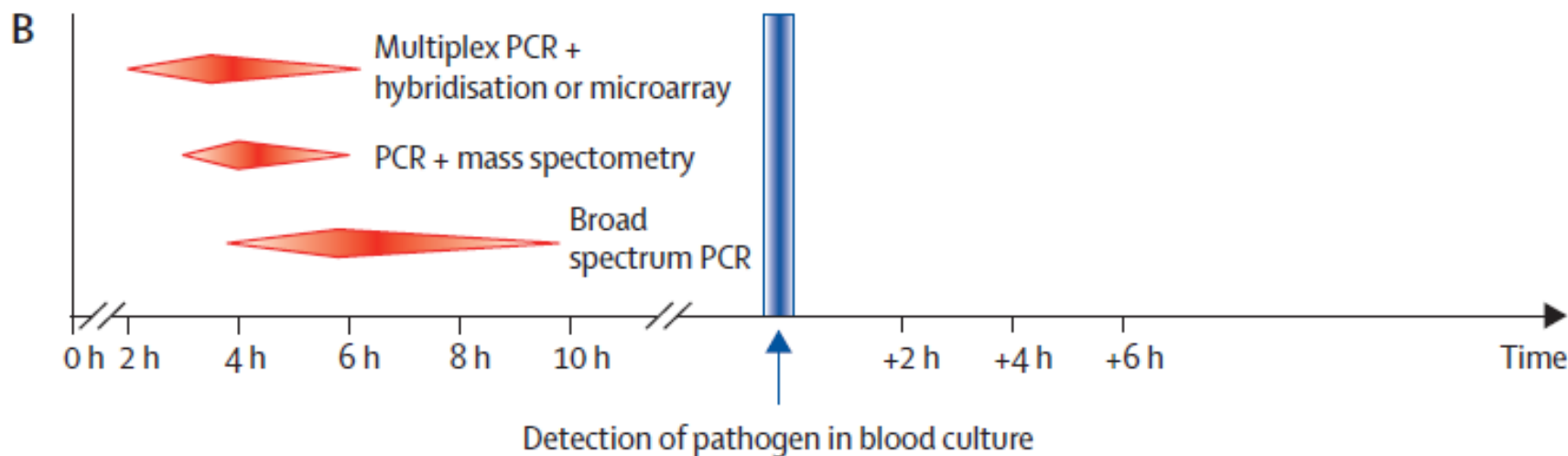
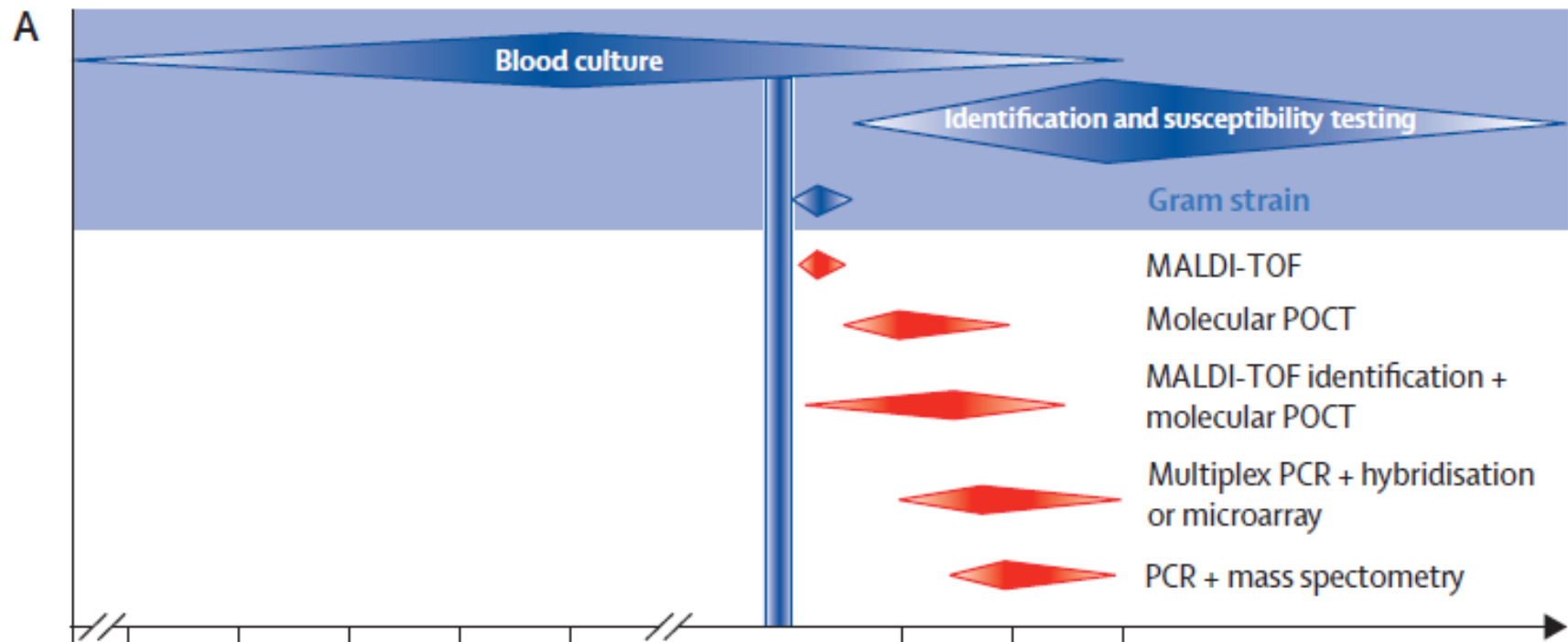
# Rapid diagnosis of sepsis

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**Keywords:** sepsis, diagnosis, biomarker, cytokines, procalcitonin, PCR

**Abbreviations:** CRP, C-reactive protein; ICU, intensive care unit; IL, interleukin; LBP, lipopolysaccharide binding protein; MD2, myeloid differentiation factor 2; PCR, polymerase chain reaction; PCT, procalcitonin; sTREM-1, soluble triggering receptor expressed on myeloid cells 1; suPAR, soluble urokinase plasminogen activator receptor; TNF, tumor necrosis factor



# Laboratory Detection of Sepsis

## Biomarkers and Molecular Approaches

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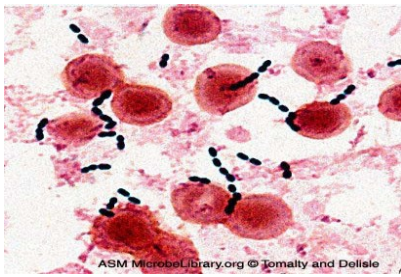
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### KEYWORDS

- Biomarkers • Procalcitonin • C-reactive protein • Molecular diagnostics
- Nucleic acid amplification testing • Sepsis • Bacteremia

### KEY POINTS

- Sepsis, severe sepsis, and septic shock are significant medical problems worldwide; sepsis is the 10th leading cause of death in the United States.
- Although numerous biomarkers are available no single assay has consistently emerged for use as a single marker with high diagnostic accuracy for the prediction and outcome assessment of sepsis.
- The best evidence in support of usefulness and diagnostic and prognostic performance in the management of patients with sepsis exists for the following biomarkers: C-reactive protein, procalcitonin, adrenomedullin, and a few select interleukins (IL-6 and IL-8).
- Although blood cultures are still considered the gold standard in clinical practice for the detection of sepsis, molecular technologies provide more rapid organism identification from positive blood cultures in patients with bacteremia/sepsis. Direct whole-blood assays are not yet sensitive enough to replace existing culture amplification.
- Diagnostic approaches for early sepsis diagnosis using biomarkers, together with rapid organism identification by molecular technologies, will likely lead to a reduction of turnaround time for test results and subsequent improvements of therapeutic interventions and patient care outcomes.



# Sepsi batterica

- **Sepsi da Gram-**

*Enterobacteriaceae: E.coli*  
*Klebsiella, P.aeruginosa*

- **Sepsi da Gram+**

*Stafilococchi: S.aureus*  
*S.coagulans negativi*

*Streptococchi:*

*S.pyogenes*  
*S.viridans*  
*S.pneumoniae*

FOCOLAIO SEPSIGENO:  
polmone, cavità addominale,  
tratto urinario

FOCOLAIO SEPSIGENO:  
cute, tessuti molli, app.respiratorio

# CASO CLINICO:

- Donna, 58 anni
- APR: Edentulia totale, eterozigosi per G6P-DH, tabagismo
- APP: Dolore pelvico, stranguria, ematuria 3 mesi prima, regrediti spontaneamente; nei 15 gg precedenti dolore pelvico, stranguria, pollachiuria, febbre fino a 40°C con brividi scuotenti, resistente a Ciprofloxacina e Ceftriaxone
- DEA: GCS 15, **TC 38.6 °C**, PA 110/70 mmHg, **FC 117 bpm**, FR 18 /min, spO2 97%
- *Hb 8.7 g/dL, **GB 17660/μl** (87% N, 7.2% L), PLTs 330000/μl, creatinina 0.7 mg/dl, azoto 8 mg/dl, AST 51 U/l, ALT 19 U/l, γGT 109 UI/l, bilirubina tot 0.56 mg/dl, diretta 0.38 mg/dl, LDH 264 UI/l, PCR 24.66 mg/dl (RR 0-0.5), PCT 23.88 ng/ml (RR 0.02-0.064), fibrinogeno 550 g/dl, D-dimero 1252 μl*
- Stick urine: negativo
- RX torace: non processi flogistici in atto
- ETT: minima insufficienza mitralica, FE 60%

➤ **MEROPENEM 1g q8h ev**

# SOFA SCORE (Sequential Organ Failure Assessment)

Organ system	1	2	3	4
<b>Respiratory</b> PaO <sub>2</sub> /FiO <sub>2</sub> , (mmHg)	<400	<300	<200	<100
<b>Hematologic</b> Platelets/ nl	<150	<100	<50	<20
<b>Hepatic</b> Bilirubin, mg/dl (μmol/l)	1,2–1,9 (20–32)	2,0–5,9 (33–101)	6,0–11,9 (102–204)	>12,0 (>204)
<b>Cardiovascular</b> Hypotension	MAP <sup>2)</sup> <70 mmHG	Dopamine ≤ 5 <sup>1)</sup> or dobutamine (any dose)	Dopamine >5 or epinephrine ≤0,1 <sup>1)</sup> or Norepinephrine ≤0,1 <sup>1)</sup>	Dopamine >15 epinephrine > 0 or norepinephrine 0,1
<b>Neurologic</b> Glasgow Coma Score	13–14	10–12	6–9	<6
<b>Renal</b> Creatinine, mg/dl (μmol/l) urine output	1,2–1,9 (110–170)	2,0–3,4 (171–299)	3,5–4,9 (300–440) <500 ml/day	>5,0 (>440) <200 ml/day

Vincent JL, de Mendonça A, Cantraine F, et al. Use of the SOFA score to assess the incidence of organ dysfunction/failure in intensive care units: results of a multicenter, prospective study. Working group on "sepsis-related problems" of the European Society of Intensive Care Medicine. *Crit Care Med*. 1998;26 (11):1793-800.

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## SEPSI

### Infezione + SOFA ≥ 2

- PaO<sub>2</sub>/FiO<sub>2</sub>
- Piastrine
- Bilirubina
- PAM + inotropi/vasocostr.
- GCS
- Creatinina
- Diuresi

### Infezione + qSOFA ≥ 2

- PAS ≤ 100 mmHg
- GCS < 15
- FR ≥ 22

## SHOCK SETTICO

Sepsi  
+  
Ipotensione refrattaria  
che richiede vasopressori per mantenere  
PAM ≥ 65 mmHg  
e  
Iperlattatemia > 18 mg/dl o 2 mmol/L  
nonostante adeguato riempimento  
volemico

Maximum SOFA Score	Mortality
0 to 6	< 10%
7 to 9	15 - 20%
10 to 12	40 - 50%
13 to 14	50 - 60%
15	> 80%
15 to 24	> 90%

Score Trend (first 48 hrs)	Mortality
Increasing	> 50%
Unchanged	27 - 35%
Decreasing	< 27%

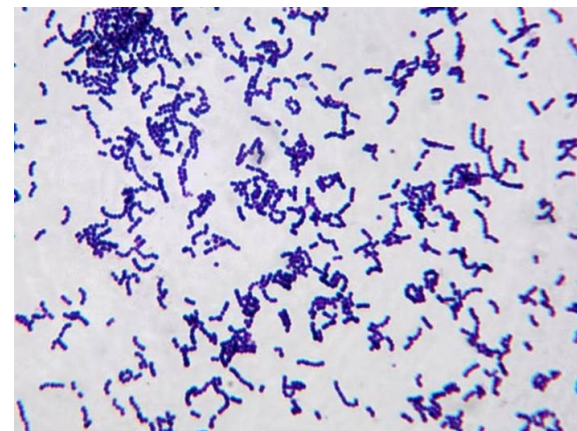
- Emocolture (2 set): ***Streptococcus constellatus***

*Antibiogramma*

Ceppo 1

ANTIBIOTICI	MIC
Ampicillina	S
Benzylpenicillin	0.064 S
Cefepime	S
Cefotaxime	S
Ceftriaxone	S
Cefuroxime	S
Meropenem	S
Teicoplanin	0.5 S
Vancomicina	0.5 S

- Gruppo *Streptococcus anginosus*
- Commensale mucosa orale, tratto respiratorio superiore, gastro-intestinale, genito-urinario
- Infezioni piogeniche opportunistiche: per via ematica (ascessi epatici, cerebrali, endocarditi), diretta (trauma o chirurgia), aspirazione (polmoni), per contiguità
- Frequenti coinfezioni con anaerobi obbligati
- Casi di tromboflebite settica (seni cavernosi)



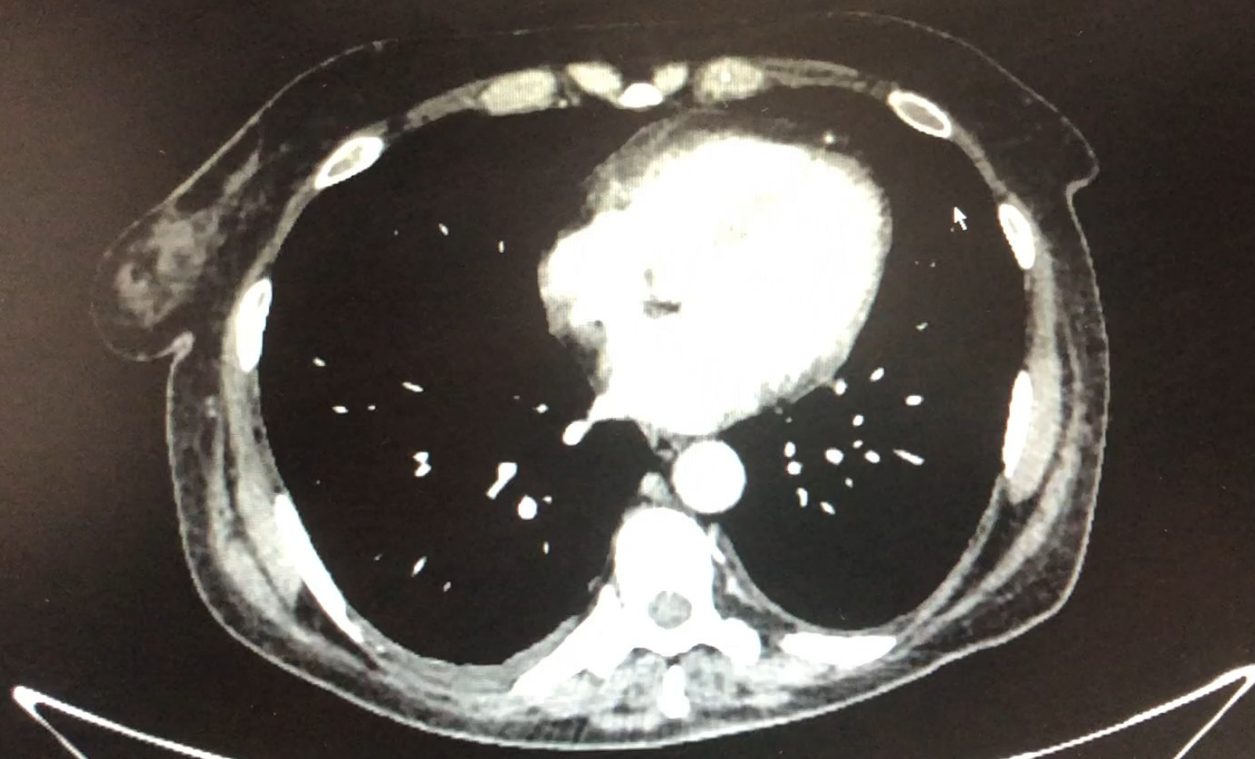
- Ecografia addominale: «Fegato di dimensioni aumentate ad ecostruttura omogenea... colecisti normodistesa contenente almeno tre formazioni litiasiche...**ectasia della vena porta (DT21mm) con immagine debolmente iperecogena al suo interno che si estende ai rami secondari del lobo epatico sinistro con presenza di segnale colordoppler, da riferire verosimilmente a trombosi parziale dei rami principali; fenomeno analogo a livello della vena splenica...**»

→ **FONDAPARINUX 7.5 mg sc /die**

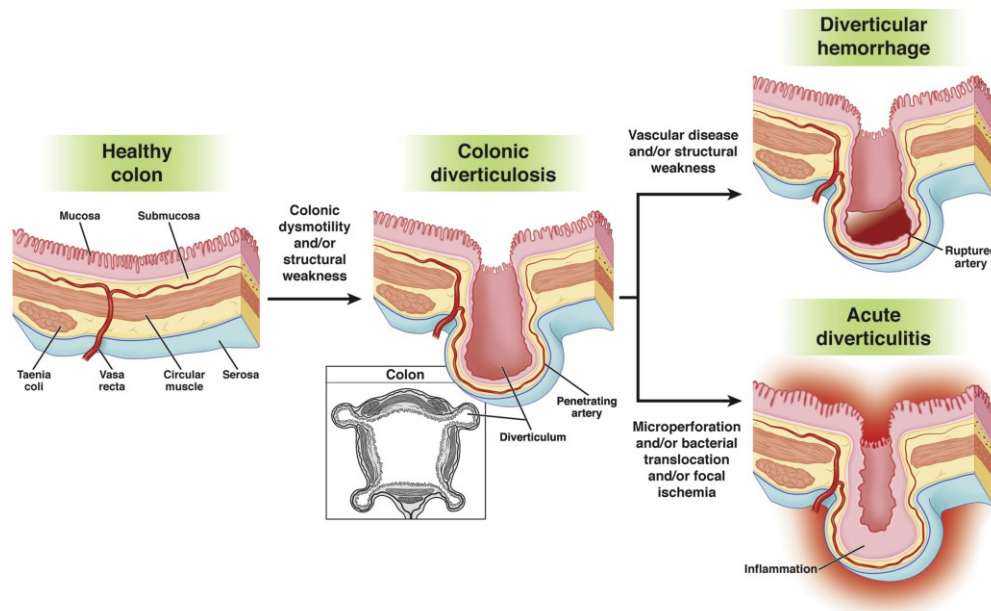
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- RM addome mdc: «Si conferma l'**estesa trombosi massiva della vena porta a partire dalla confluenza con la vena splenica e mesenterica superiore, con coinvolgimento delle diramazioni portalì principali e secondarie in entrambi i lobi epatici**; la vena porta e le principali diramazioni presentano **calibro aumentato e pareti ispessite ed iperemiche, come per condizione di tromboflebite associata...** Fegato di forma normale con dimensioni aumentate; stabile la condizione di **ipoperfusione del parenchima epatico** che appare esente da patologia...»



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- Emocolture (2 set) dopo 6 giorni: ***Streptococcus constellatus*** e ***Bacteroides fragilis***
- SOF: positivo
- Pancolonscopia: Emorroidi e **diverticolosi del sigma**



- ETE: Lieve insufficienza mitralica; non evidenti masse vegetanti

#### HYPERCOAGULABLE STATE

- Malignancy
- Pregnancy and peri-partum period
- Oestrogen therapy
- Trauma or surgery of lower extremity, hip, abdomen or pelvis
- Inflammatory bowel disease
- Nephrotic syndrome
- Sepsis
- Thrombophilia

- Marcatori tumorali: CEA, AFP-2, CA 19.9: negativi
- Screening trombofilico: mutazioni **MTHFR 667C>T e 1298A>C in eterozigosi**; **omocisteina 17.5  $\mu\text{mol/L}$** ; mutazione di fattore V, fattore II, PAI-1: assenti; anticorpi anticardiolipina e anti  $\beta$ -2-microglobulina: negativi

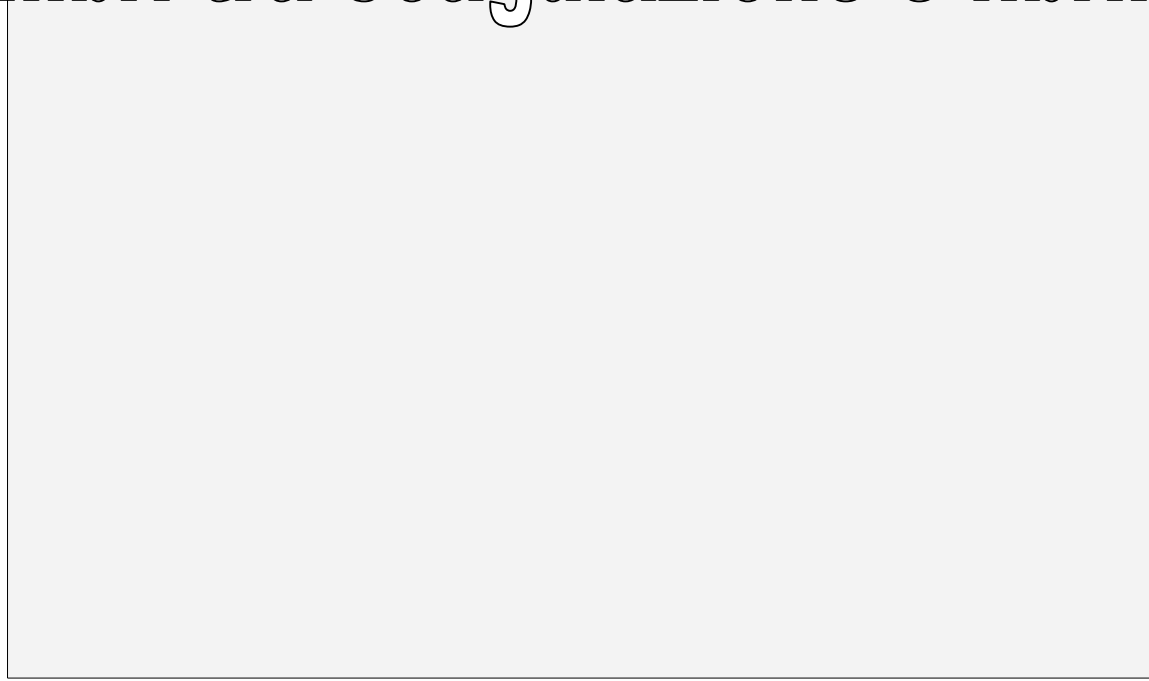
#### Tromboflebite settica

- Ecografia addome: «*Estesa trombosi della vena porta coinvolgente anche l'origine della vena splenica e le vene mesenteriche; minimo flusso periferico nei rami distali del IV-VIII segmento epatico*»
- Dimissione: **AMOXICILLINA/CLAVULANATO 2.2 g x2/die fino a completare le 6 settimane + WARFARIN 5 mg secondo INR + ACIDO FOLICO 5 mg**

# Classificazione delle sepsi

- Sepsi di origine ignota
  - Di comunità
  - Nosocomiale
- Sepsi da catetere intravascolare o da catetere venoso centrale
- Sepsi in ospite immunocompromesso
  - Tossicodipendente
  - Splenectomizzato
  - Neutropenico
- Sepsi in corso di polmonite (comunitaria /nosocomiale)
- Urosepsi (comunitaria /nosocomiale)
- Sepsi in infezione endo-addominale (comunitaria /nosocomiale)
- Sepsi in paziente ustionato
- Sepsi in paziente con meningite
- Sepsi in corso di artrite settica/osteomielite
- Sepsi a partenza da cute e tessuti molli (fascite necrotizzante)
- Sepsi nel piede diabetico
- Sepsi in paziente con malattia infiammatoria pelvica

# Sepsi: Disfunzione endoteliale e squilibri tra coagulazione e fibrinolisi



- ▶ **La disfunzione progressiva dell'endotelio microvascolare nella sepsi è causata in parte da uno squilibrio tra coagulazione e fibrinolisi**
- ▶ **Il progressivo consumo della proteina C ne riduce i livelli pregiudicando la capacità dell'organismo di modulare l'infiammazione, la coagulazione, la fibrinolisi e di ripristinare l'omeostasi**

# Sepsi e danno d'organo

## Dov'è il legame?

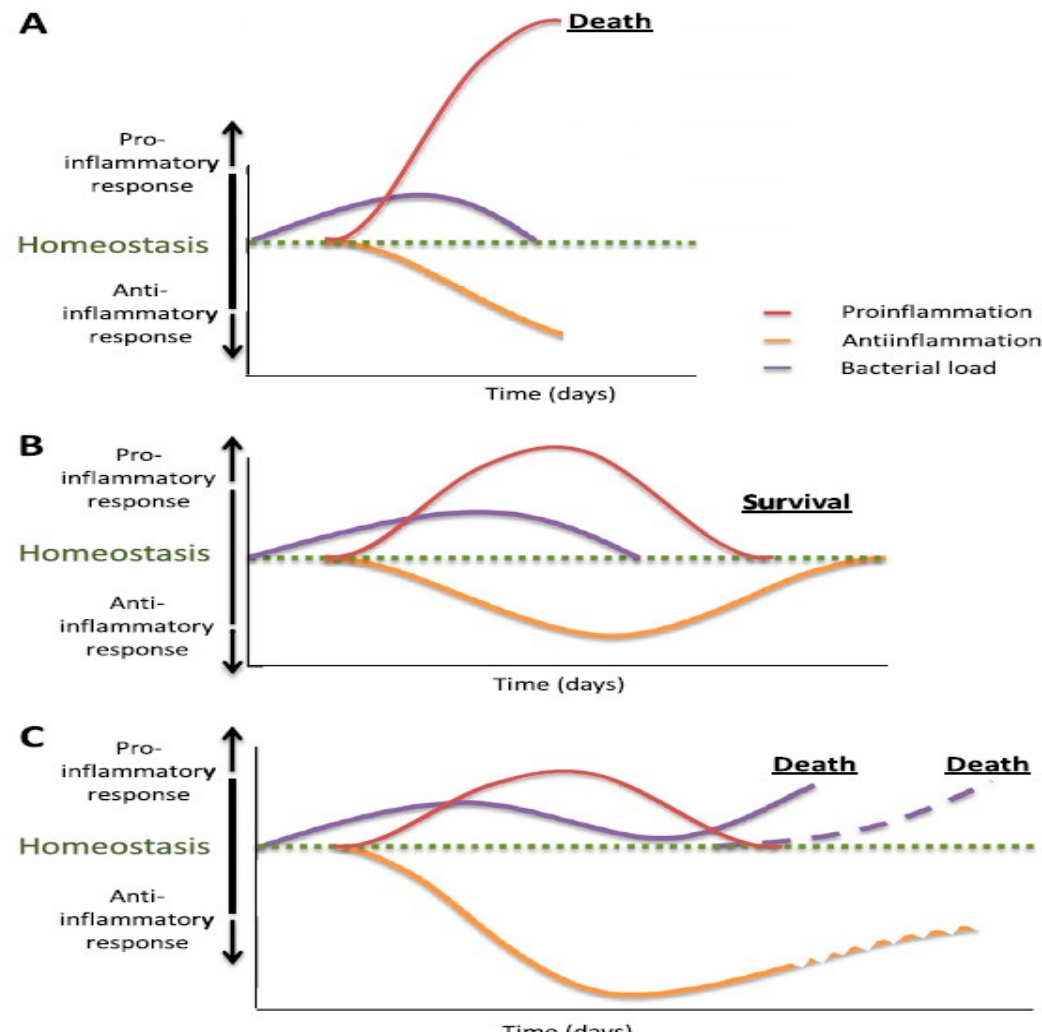
- Microtrombosi
- Apoptosi
- Disfunzione mitocondriale



# INFLAMMATORY-IMMUNE RESPONSE IN SEPSIS

The inflammatory-immune response may vary and depends on

- @ Microorganism(s) load and virulence
- @ Host genetic factors and comorbidities



## Healthy young adult with meningococemia:

Overwhelming proinflammatory response which is likely to eradicate bacteria but lead to tissue damage and multiorgan failure

## Healthy young adult with CAP responsive to Abx :

adequate proinflammatory re-sponse, combined with an adequate non-sustained antiinflammatory response to pre-vent tissue damage

## Patient with candidemia after postoperative abdominal sepsis:

Proinflammatory response combined with a pronounced or sustained anti inflammatory state with persisting bacterial or secondary (opportunistic) infections

# Diagnosis of sepsis

There is no specific pathognomic clinical or laboratory parameter of sepsis

The diagnoses should be based on

- the clinical signs of infection +
- the correct evaluation of aspecific clinical signs and lab parameters of organ dysfunctions



# Critical parameters

Blood white cell count

Thrombocyte count

Serum bilirubin, SGOT, SGPT

Serum creatinine

Prothrombin, D-dimer

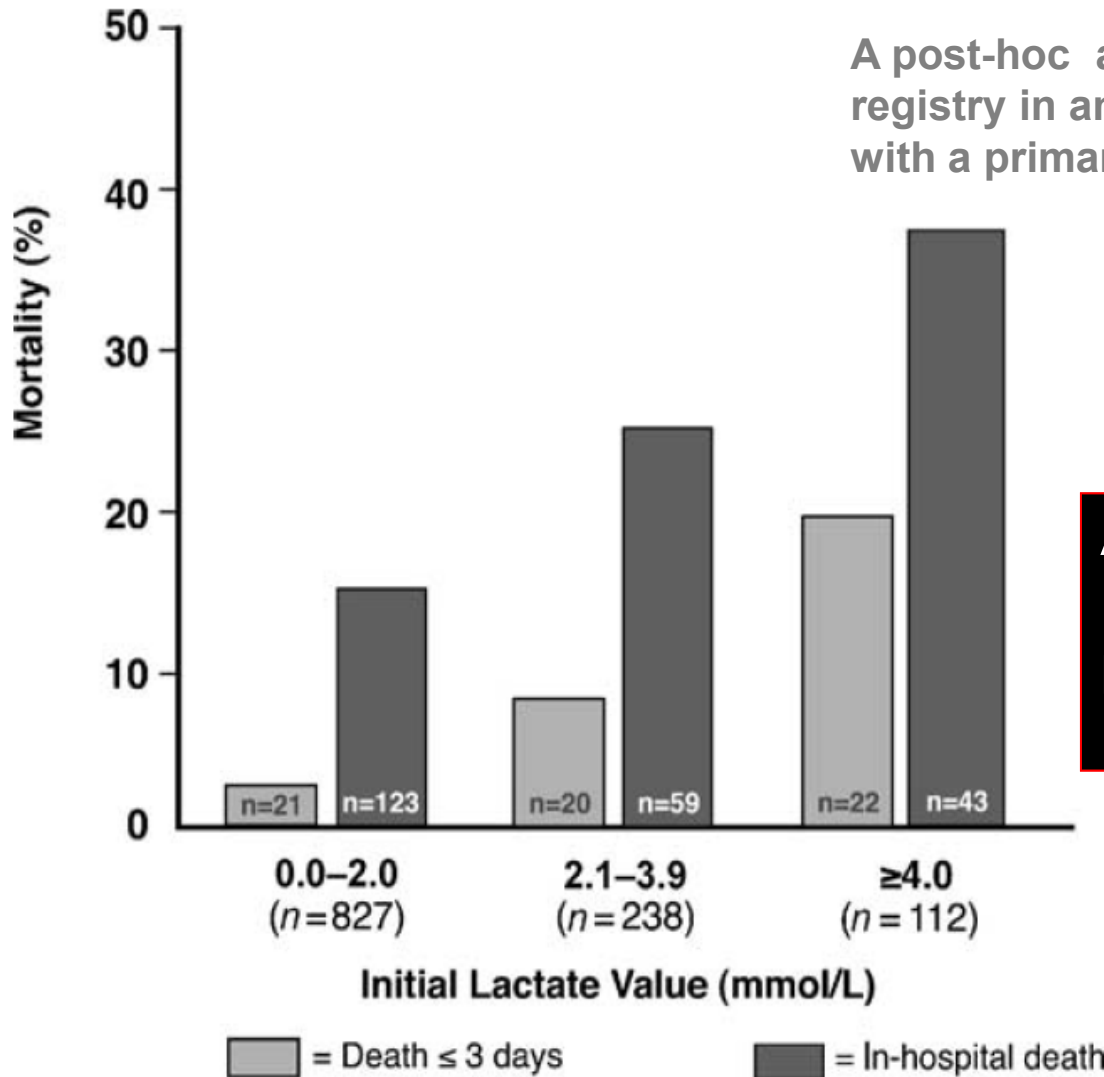
Serum lactate

CRP (C reactive protein)

PCT (procalcitonin)

# Serum lactate as a predictor of mortality in patients with infection

Trzeciak S et al, *Intensive Care Med*, 2007



**Acute-phase deaths and in-hospital deaths in infected patients stratified by initial lactate value.**

## **Proteina C Reattiva (PCR)**

- ***storicamente più utilizzata***
- ***molto sensibile***

## **Procalcitonina (PCT)**

- ***più specifica rispetto alla PCR nella diagnosi di sepsi***
- ***correla in maniera significativa alla gravità del quadro clinico***

# PROCALCITONINA

- Prodotta dalle **cellule C della tiroide** e da **cellule neuroendocrine extratiroidiche**:  
(soprattutto: polmone, intestino, fegato)
- **Emivita di 25-30 h**
- Prodotta selettivamente in risposta ad infezioni batteriche (stimolo più potente è l'endotossina batterica) e in corso di MOFs
- Non aumenta (se non in modo poco significativo) nelle infezioni fungine, virali, in malattie autoimmunitarie e neoplasie
- **individuo sano**: indosabile o  $< 0.1$  ng/mL
- **in corso di infezione**: 1 - 1000 ng/mL

# PCT as a tool to guide Antimicrobial Therapy

- PCT level
- Less than 0.1ng/ml: absence of infection
- 0.1 to 0.25 ng/ml: bacterial infection unlikely and use of antibiotic discouraged.
- 0.25 to 0.5 ng/ml: indicate possible bacterial infection, initiate antimicrobial therapy
- More than 0.5 ng/ml: suggestive of presence of bacterial infection and antibiotic treatment is strongly recommended

# Approccio al paziente con sepsi

- Accurati e ripetuti esami obiettivi
  - Identificazione focus infettivo
- Terapia mirata al sito di infezione

# POSSIBILI SEDI DEI FOCOLAI INFETTIVI

- Polmone
- Tratto urinario
- Regione addomino-pelvica
- Vie biliari
- Cute e tessuti
- Cateteri intravascolari

**sepsis**  
(n = 134)

**Septic shock**  
(n = 53 )

**Source of infection (%)**

<b>Lung</b>	<b>63 (47)</b>	<b>22 (42)</b>
<b>Abdomen</b>	<b>45 (34)</b>	<b>20 (38)</b>
Urethra	3 (2)	3 (6)
SNC	2 (1)	1 (2)
<b>Blood</b>	<b>3 (2)</b>	0
Skin	9 (7)	5 (9)
Other	9 (7)	2 (4)



# SINTOMATOLOGIA

- spesso **aspecifica**: febbre con brividi, nausea, cefalea, confusione (10-30%, specie negli anziani)
- alcuni sintomi come tosse, disuria, cefalea associata a sindrome meningea, possono rivelare la **patologia sottostante**
- **verificare** la presenza di cateteri, terapie immunosoppressive, recenti interventi chirurgici

# SINTOMATOLOGIA

**Il paziente tipico con sepsi presenta:**

- febbre
- tachicardia
- estremità calde

- 
- tachipnea
  - confusione
  - oliguria



Avanzamento

Cuore



Minore contrattilità



Riduzione del ritorno venoso



Riduzione della portata cardiaca



Insufficienza miocardica irreversibile

# Alterazioni dello stato mentale

- Disorientamento lieve
- Confusione
- Letargia
- Agitazione psico-motoria
- Coma

## Meccanismo Fisiopatologico

- Effetto di mediatori infiammatori a livello neurologico (fase iniziale)
- Alterato trasporto di aminoacidi con alterata sintesi di neurotrasmettitori
- Riduzione locale o globale del flusso ematico cerebrale

**Le alterazioni dello stato mentale vanno calcolate secondo i criteri del Glasgow Coma Scale (GCS)**

**Nell'anziano le alterazioni dello stato mentale possono rappresentare le uniche manifestazioni della sepsi**

# Manifestazioni Ematologiche

**Leucocitosi neutrofila con granulazioni tossiche e vacuolizzazioni intracitoplasmatiche**

**Meccanismo fisiopatologico**

- Demarginazione dei polimorfonucleati
- Immissione in circolo di granulociti immaturi
- Stimolo midollare da parte del Colony Stimulating Factor (CSF)

**Neutropenia specie sepsi da Gram negativi**

**Meccanismo fisiopatologico**

- Sequestro splenico
- Aggregazione neutrofila per attivazione complementare

**Piastrinopenia di grado diverso (50.000-150.000/mm<sup>3</sup>), isolata o associata a CID**

# Coagulazione Intravascolare Disseminata (CID)

Situazione caratterizzata dall'attivazione sistemica della coagulazione e/o del sistema fibrinolitico che determina generazione di trombina e deposito di fibrina, consumo di fattori della coagulazione e piastrine, con fibrinolisi secondaria

## Dati di laboratorio

- Allungamento del PT e PTT
- Diminuzione dei fattori II, V, VIII
- Diminuzione della proteina C coagulativa
- Diminuzione dell'antitrombina III
- Diminuzione de fibrinogeno
- Aumento del D-Dimero
- Piastrinopenia

## Clinica

- Eventi emorragici e trombotici

# Complicanze Renali

## Insufficienza Renale Acuta (IRA)

- Oliguria ( $<0.5$  ml/kg/h) o poliuria
- Iperazotemia ed aumento della creatinina con clearances ridotte
- Bassa soduria (IRA pre-renale) o alta soduria (necrosi tubulare acuta)
- Proteinuria (variabile)
- Cilindri granulosi e cellule epiteliali tubulari

## Meccanismo fisiopatologico

- Ridotta pressione arteriosa media
- Ipoperfusione renale
- Riduzione/ridistribuzione flusso renale
- Aumento resistenze vascolari intrarenali
- Alterazioni funzionali per effetto di mediatori infiammatori e neuro-ormonali
- Apoptosi
- Necrosi tubulare

# Complicanze Polmonari

- Danno acuto polmonare (ALI)
- Sindrome di distress respiratorio acuto (ARDS)

	Insorgenza	Difetto di ossigenazione	Aspetto radiologico	Pressione idrostatica
<b>ALI</b>	Acuta	PaO <sub>2</sub> /FIO <sub>2</sub> <300	Infiltrati bilaterali	PAOP<18
<b>ARDS</b>	Acuta	PaO <sub>2</sub> /FIO <sub>2</sub> <300	Infiltrati bilaterali	PAOP<18

**EGA:** Inizialmente ipossiemia non responsiva all'O<sub>2</sub> terapia - alcalosi respiratoria

**Rx torace:** Infiltrati diffusi bilateralmente che risparmiano gli angoli costofrenici e che non si associano a cardiomegalia

**PAOP:** Pressione di incuneamento capillare in arteria polmonare



# Manifestazioni epatiche

- **Iperbilirubinemia:**

Bilirubina > 2.0 mg/dl per motivi non altrimenti spiegati

# Manifestazioni metaboliche

- **Acidosi metabolica da alterata perfusione:**

Ph 7.30 o deficit base  $\geq$  50 mEq/l con lattacidemia > 4 mmol/l

# Alterazioni metaboliche glicidiche

- Glucosio è il substrato principale per processi di difesa e riparazione
- Le principali sorgenti endogene di glucosio sono gli AA attraverso la

Per il fenomeno di Insulinoresistenza le  
**EMULSIONI LIPIDICHE** quali **ACIDO**  
**LINOLEICO  $\omega$ 6** e **ACIDO  $\alpha$ -LINOLEICO  $\omega$ 3** che  
interferiscono sui processi della membrana  
cellulare, produzione di eicosanoidi,  
rigenerazione cellule sistema immunitario **SONO**  
**UN OTTIMO SUBSTRATO PER IL**  
**METABOLISMO ENERGETICO**

➤ Febbre

➤ Iperventilazione

➤ Iperdinamismo cardiocircolatorio

➤ ↑ Perspiratio Insensibilis

# Quadro clinico dello shock settico

## Fase iniziale

- **Shock "Caldo ed Iperdinamico"** (pazienti con cute calda senza compromissione della perfusione delle estremità, polso frequente con aumento della pressione differenziale)
- **Iperventilazione, Alcalosi Respiratoria** ( $\text{PaCO}_2 < 32 \text{ mmHg}$ )
- **Alterazione dello stato mentale** (stato di agitazione o di lieve euforia)

## Fase tardiva

- **Comparsa dei segni di vasocostrizione, di bassa portata e di insufficienza d'organo:**
  - Peggioramento dello stato mentale
  - Cute fredda, umida marmorizzata
  - Ipotensione
  - Oliguria
  - Ipossiemia
  - Acidosi metabolica con elevati livelli di acido lattico

# Sindrome da Disfunzione d'Organo Multipla (MODS)

Presenza di alterazione della funzione d'organo in un paziente critico tale che rendere impossibile il mantenimento dell'omeostasi senza intervento esterno

# Multi Organ Failure

Organo	Fisiopatologia	Meccanismo
Sist.vascolare periferico	Vasodilatazione, ipotensione refrattaria, coagulopatia, CID	NO, espressione del fatt. tissutale, migrazione neutrofili
Miocardio	Depressione miocardica, aritmie	Alterato flusso di calcio, F.E. ridotta
Polmone	A.R.D.S.	↑ permeabilità endoteliale, migrazione neutrofili
Rene	Necrosi tubulare acuta	ipoperfusione renale
Fegato	Necrosi zonale	Ipoperfusione, acidosi
Intestino	Alterazione integrità dell'epitelio	Ipoperfusione, acidosi
Cervello	Encefalopatia	Ipoperfusione, acidosi

# Approccio al paziente con sepsi

- Accurato esame obiettivo
- Terapia mirata al sito di infezione
- Ripetuti esami obiettivo

# Impossibilità di identificare un'infezione

- **Microrganismo infettante insolito o inatteso**
  - ✓ Toxoplasmosi
  - ✓ Tubercolosi
  - ✓ Varie infezioni fungine
  - ✓ Infezione virale
- **Processo in cui è difficile identificare i microrganismi**
  - ✓ Sinusite
  - ✓ Diverticolite
  - ✓ Colecistite alitisiaca
- **Terapia precedente con antibiotici**
- **Limitazioni nella campionatura microbiologica**

# PROGNOSI

**L'evoluzione dipende anche dal  
microrganismo in causa**

**Letalità**

- **15% stafilococchi coagulasi negativi**
- **25% bacilli gram negativi**
- **30% enterococchi**
- **40% Candida spp.**



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- Ulcere
- Lesioni cutanee
- Petecchie
- Eritema nodulare
- Ectima gangrenoso
- Porpora cutanea









# Sepsi: interventi per ridurre la mortalità

- **Diagnosi precoce**
- **Immediata correzione della ipoperfusione**
- **Steroidi**
  - Shock settico refrattario
- **Proteina C attivata**
- **Controllo precoce dell'infezione**
  - Identificazione della sorgente e terapia antibiotica

# Controllo precoce dell'infezione

- **Identificazione sorgente**
  - **Tessuti necrotici**
  - **Polmone**
  - **Ascessi**
  - **Cateteri urinari**
  - **Dispositivi protesici**
  - **CVC**

# Fighting infection in the first hours

## **Sampling**

Including invasive procedures  
when needed (BAL...)



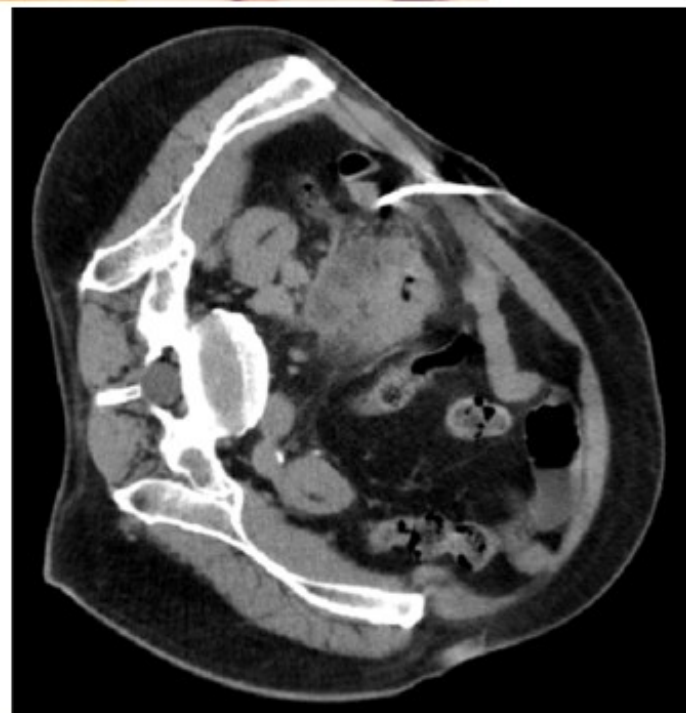
## **Rapid tests**

When available. Gram stain!!! When needed

**Start adequate antibiotic coverage**  
(within 1 hour?)

Tillou A et al. Am Surg 2004;70:841-4

**Drain purulent collection**





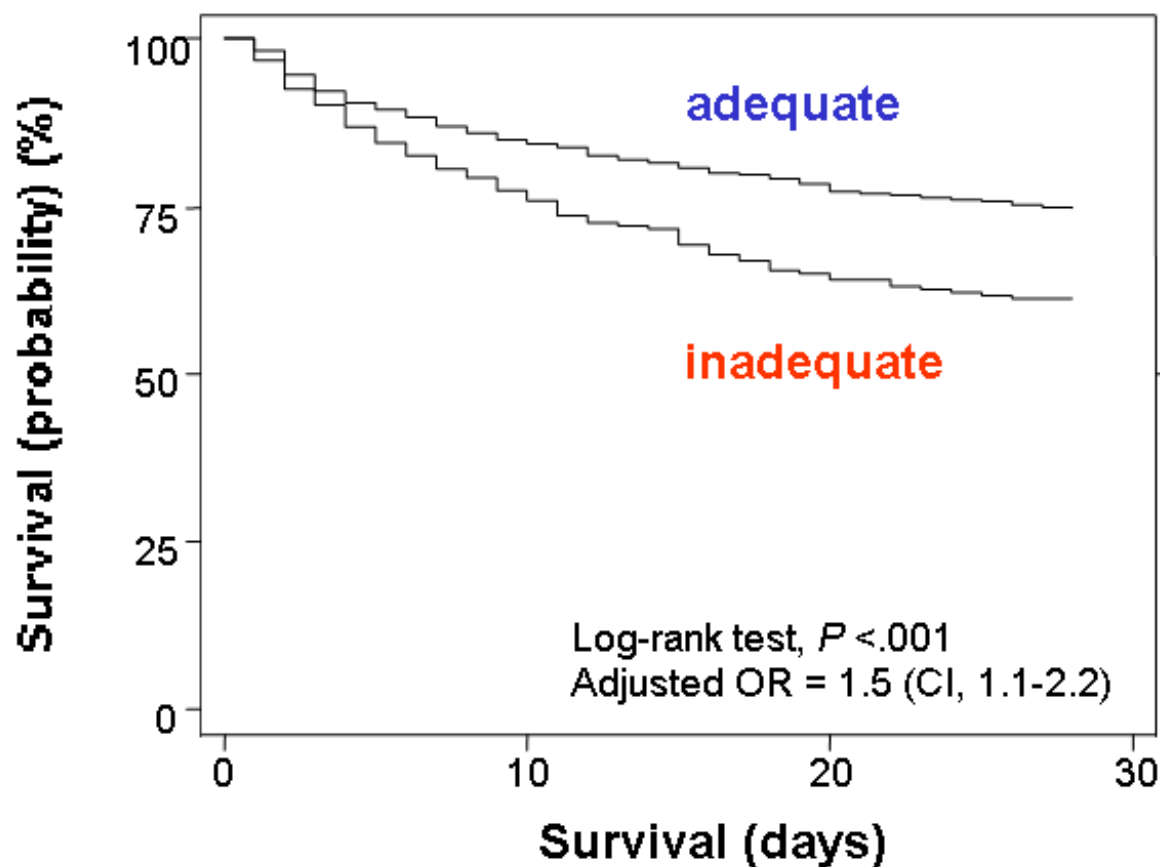
# TERAPIA

- ▶ Antibiotici battericidi e non batteriostatici
- ▶ Terapia associata  
(p.e.  $\beta$ -Lattamico/glicopeptide + aminoglicoside)  
per via e.v.
- ▶ Terapia empirica in base a
  - sede dell'infezione
  - tipo di esposizione
  - stato immunologico
  - allergie farmacologiche
- ▶ Messa in evidenza e rimozione di materiale infetto (drenaggio ascessi, rimozione cateteri...)



# Survival of patients with sepsis

(1,342 severe sepsis and septic shocks LENERCEPT study)



Harbarth, Giarbino, Pugin et al. Am J Med, 2004

# **CENNI DI TERAPIA**

**Controllo del focus infettivo**

**Terapia antibiotica**

**Supporto respiratorio/ventilatorio**

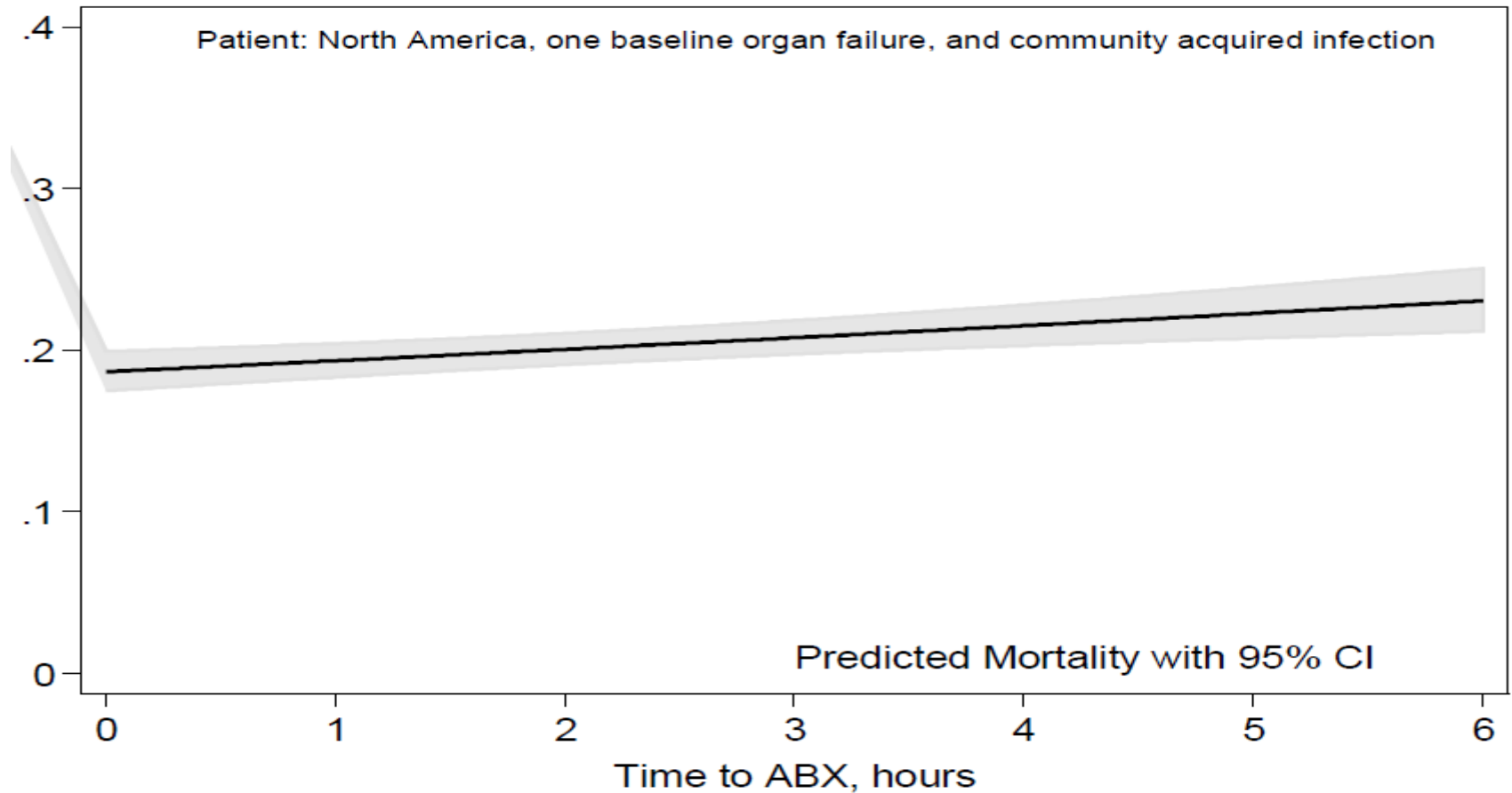
**Supporto di volume ed emodinamico**

**Supporto nutrizionale**

# Therapeutic measures

- Timing of antibiotic treatment
- Appropriate antibiotic treatment

# Hospital Mortality by Time to Antibiotics



# Hospital Mortality by Time to Antibiotics

Time to ABX <sup>1</sup> , hrs	OR <sup>2</sup>	95% CI		p-value	Probability of mortality <sup>3</sup>	95% CI	
0 (ref)	1.00	---	---	---	18.7	17.5	19.9
1	1.05	1.02	1.07	< 0.001	19.3	18.3	20.4
2	1.09	1.04	1.15	< 0.001	20.0	19.1	21.0
3	1.14	1.06	1.23	< 0.001	20.8	19.7	21.8
4	1.19	1.08	1.32	< 0.001	21.5	20.3	22.8
5	1.25	1.11	1.41	< 0.001	22.3	20.7	23.9
6	1.31	1.13	1.51	< 0.001	23.1	21.2	25.1

<sup>1</sup>Time to ABX is based on 15,948 observations that are greater than or equal to zero

<sup>2</sup>Hospital mortality odds ratio referent group is 0 hours for the time to ABX and is adjusted by the number of baseline organ failures, infection type (community vs. nosocomial), and geographic region (Europe, North America, and South America)

# Inappropriate Initial Therapy

- The antibiotic does not cover the infecting pathogens
- The pathogen is resistant to antibiotics
- Combination therapy is not used, if indicated
- Dosing is not adequate
- Not adequate tissue penetration

# Risk Factors

MDR/Health-care associated pathogens	Fungemia
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• broad spectrum antibiotics within 90 d</li> <li>• hospitalization &gt;2 day</li> <li>• local high antibiotic resistance rates</li> <li>• residence in LTCF</li> <li>• chronic dialysis within 30 d</li> <li>• home wound care</li> <li>• family member with MDR infection</li> <li>• mechanical ventilation <math>\geq</math>5 d</li> <li>• immunosuppression</li> <li>• structural lung disease</li> <li>• IV drug use</li> <li>• COPD (<i>Pseudomonas spp.</i>)</li> <li>• Influenza infection (MRSA)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• broad-spectrum antibiotics</li> <li>• central venous catheter</li> <li>• parenteral nutrition</li> <li>• renal replacement therapy in ICU</li> <li>• neutropenia</li> <li>• hematologic malignancy</li> <li>• implantable prosthetic devices</li> <li>• immunosuppression</li> <li>• chemotherapy</li> </ul>

Clin Infect Dis 2007;44:S27-72

Am J Respir Crit Care Med 2005;171:388-416

Clin Infect Dis 2009;49:1-45

Clin Infect Dis 2009;48:503-35

# The clinical impact of multidrug-resistant gram-negative bacilli in the management of septic shock

Aurora Pop-Vicas<sup>1,2,\*</sup> and Steven M Opal<sup>1,2</sup>

- In studies of *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* bloodstream infections, mortality ranged from 39% to 42% in patients with stem-cell or solid organ transplants
- Patients with ICU infections with MDR *Pseudomonas* or *Acinetobacter* species have a significantly worse outcome than ICU patients with other types of infection
- In patients infected with carbapenem-resistant organisms from the KPC-producing family, mortality ranged from 24% to 65%
- The impact of inadequate empiric antimicrobial therapy on mortality was illustrated in a study of 186 patients with bloodstream infections caused by ESBL producing organisms. The 3 week mortality associated with receipt of inadequate vs. adequate initial therapy was 60% vs. 19%, respectively



# **Batteri**

## **Gram-positivi “*non positivi*”**

- ❖ *S. aureus* meticillino-resistente (MRSA)
- ❖ *S. aureus* intermedio/resistente alla vancomicina (VISA/VRSA) e problema dei ceppi con MIC elevate (>1 mg/L) alla vancomicina
- ❖ Stafilococchi coagulasi negativi (CoNS) multiresistenti
- ❖ Enterococchi vancomicino-resistenti (VRE)
- ❖ *Clostridium difficile*

# Etiology of BSI episodes

PATHOGENS	<i>Clostridium</i> /BSI+ n= 72
Enterobacteriaceae	14 (19.4%)
<i>Enterococcus</i> species	10 (13.9%)
<i>Candida</i> species	34 (47.3%)
<i>C. albicans</i>	15 (44.1%)
<i>C. glabrata</i>	9 (26.5%)
<i>C. tropicalis</i>	5 (14.7%)
<i>C. parapsilosis</i>	3 (8.9%)
<i>C. krusei</i>	1 (2.9%)
<i>C. guilliermondii</i>	1 (2.9%)
Mixed BSI**	14 (19.4%)
<i>Candida albicans</i> + <i>Enterococcus faecalis</i>	6 (42.9%)
<i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> + <i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i>	3 (21.5%)
<i>Candida glabrata</i> + <i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i>	2 (14.3%)
<i>Candida tropicalis</i> + <i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i>	1 (7.1%)
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1 Bloodstream infections secondary to *Clostridium difficile* infection:

2 risk factors and outcomes

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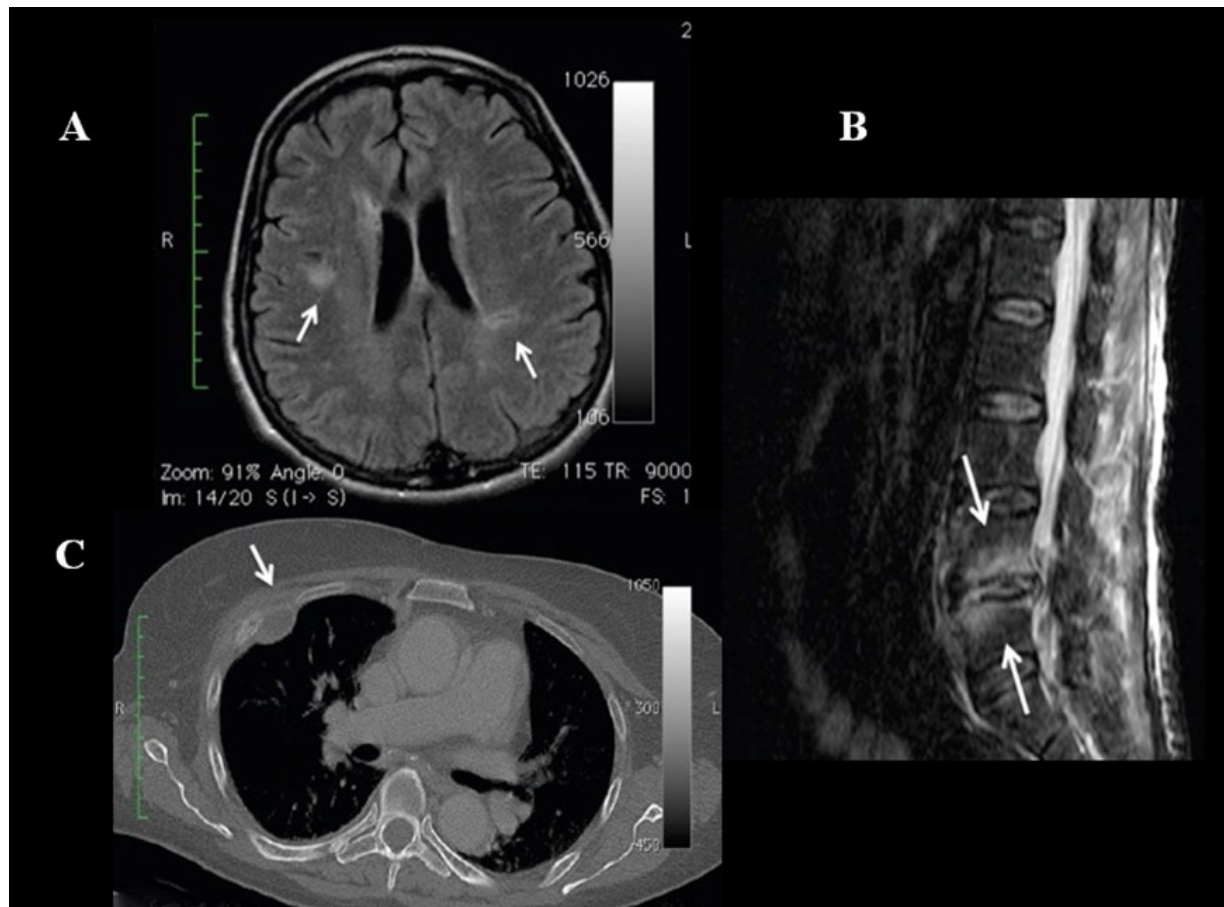
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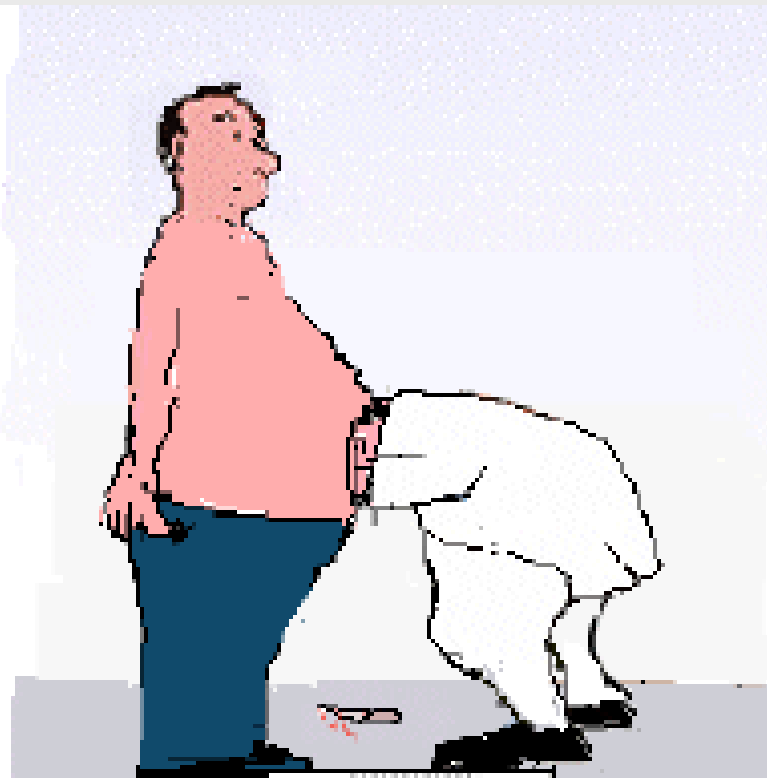
**Meningitis**  
**Endocarditis**  
**Spondylodiscitis**  
**Muscle abscess**

# Clinical management of sepsis

- **Screening**
- **Diagnosis**
- **Antimicrobial therapy**
- **Source control**
- **Selective decontamination**

# Il controllo del focus infettivo

**Convincere i chirurghi a dare un'occhiata**



# Source control

## Ricerca ed eliminazione del focolaio settico

- **Drenaggio**
  - Ascesso intra-addominale
  - Empiema pleurico
  - Pielonefrite, colangite
- **Asportazione**
  - Infarto intestinale
  - Fascite necrotizzante
  - Necrosi pancreatica infetta
- **Rimozione presidi**
  - Catetere vascolare infetto
  - Catetere vescicale
  - Tubo endotracheale colonizzato
- **Controllo definitivo**
  - Resezione sigma per diverticolite
  - Colectomia per colecistite
  - Amputazione per mionecrosi

# Clinical Case

- A 37-year-old woman was hospitalized due to a two-week history of persistent fever.
- Thirty days before she had given birth to a healthy child through normal vaginal delivery in the 39<sup>th</sup> week
- The patient had a history of asymptomatic uterine fibroid, but no systematic follow-up had been performed

# Examination

- Fever 39°C, blood pressure 105/50 mmHg, and pulse 100 beats/min. Her respiratory rate was 30 breaths/min.
- Tenderness in lower abdominal quadrants.
- Gynaecological examination revealed an enlarged uterus with tenderness upon deep palpation.
- Laboratory tests: WBC 14,200/mm<sup>3</sup> PLT count of 95,000/mm<sup>3</sup>, CRP=10.8 mg/dL PCT=59.71 ng/mL





**Figure 1** CT scan, abdominal view: mild bilateral hydronephrosis and enlarged uterus with heterogeneous masses.

# Antibiotic treatment

- Meropenem, metronidazole, teicoplanin
- No improvement

## Blood cultures: *Sphingomonas paucimobilis*

**Table 1** Antimicrobial drug susceptibility of *Sphingomonas paucimobilis*

Antimicrobial drug	Susceptibility	MIC ( $\mu\text{g/ml}$ )
Ampicillin	S	$\leq 2$
Cefotaxime	S	$\leq 1$
Gentamicin	S	$\leq 1$
Amikacin	S	$\leq 2$
Levofloxacin	S	$\leq 0.12$
Meropenem	S	$\leq 0.25$
Cefepime	S	$\leq 1$
Tygecilin	S	$\leq 0.5$

S, susceptible. MICs are based on EUCAST breakpoints.

# Explorative laparotomy and source control



**Figure 2** Surgical specimen: anterior view of 10 cm dissected pyomyoma of uterine fundus.

**CASE REPORT**

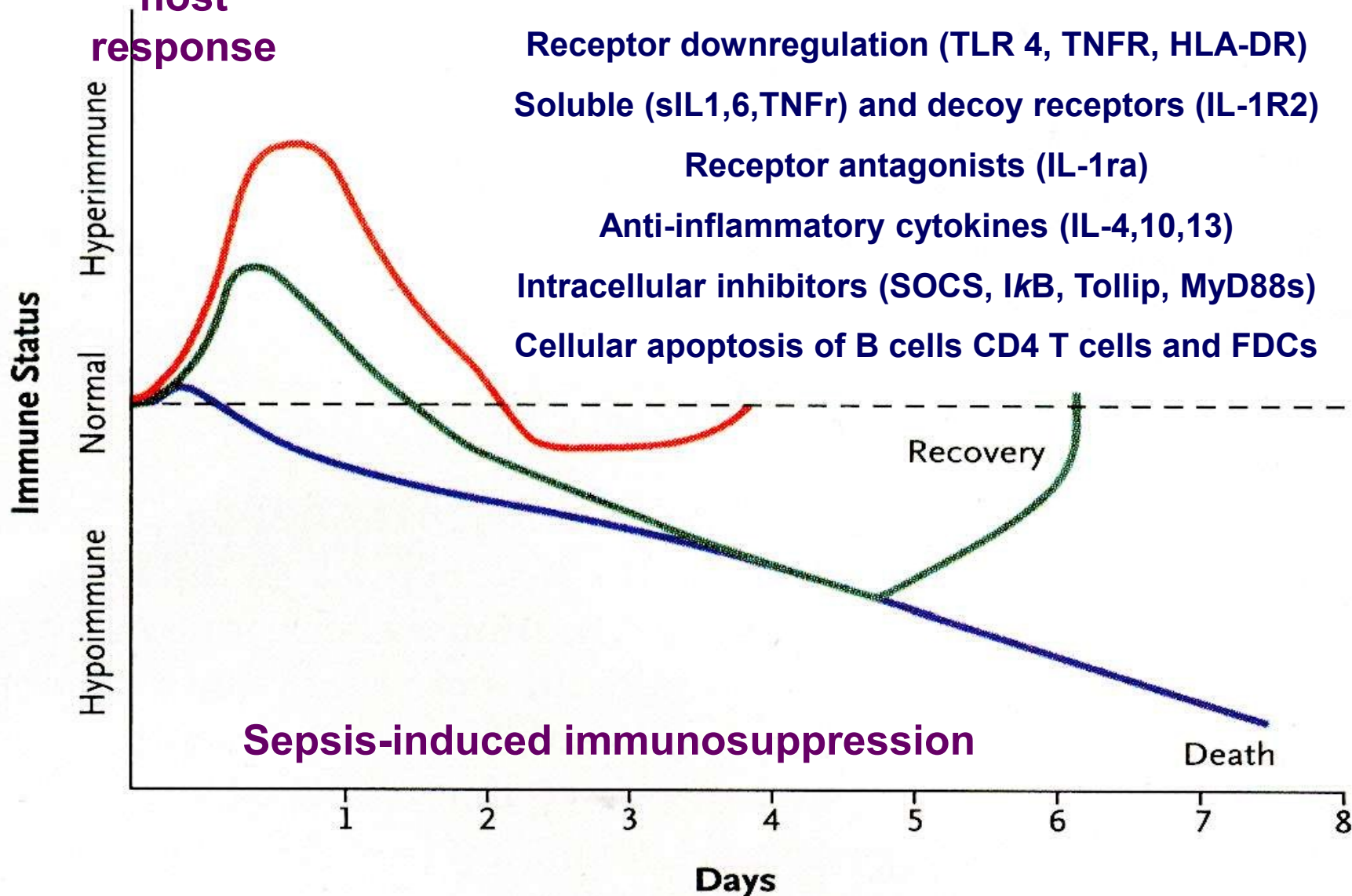
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# Postpartum fever in the presence of a fibroid: *Sphingomonas paucimobilis* sepsis associated with pyomyoma

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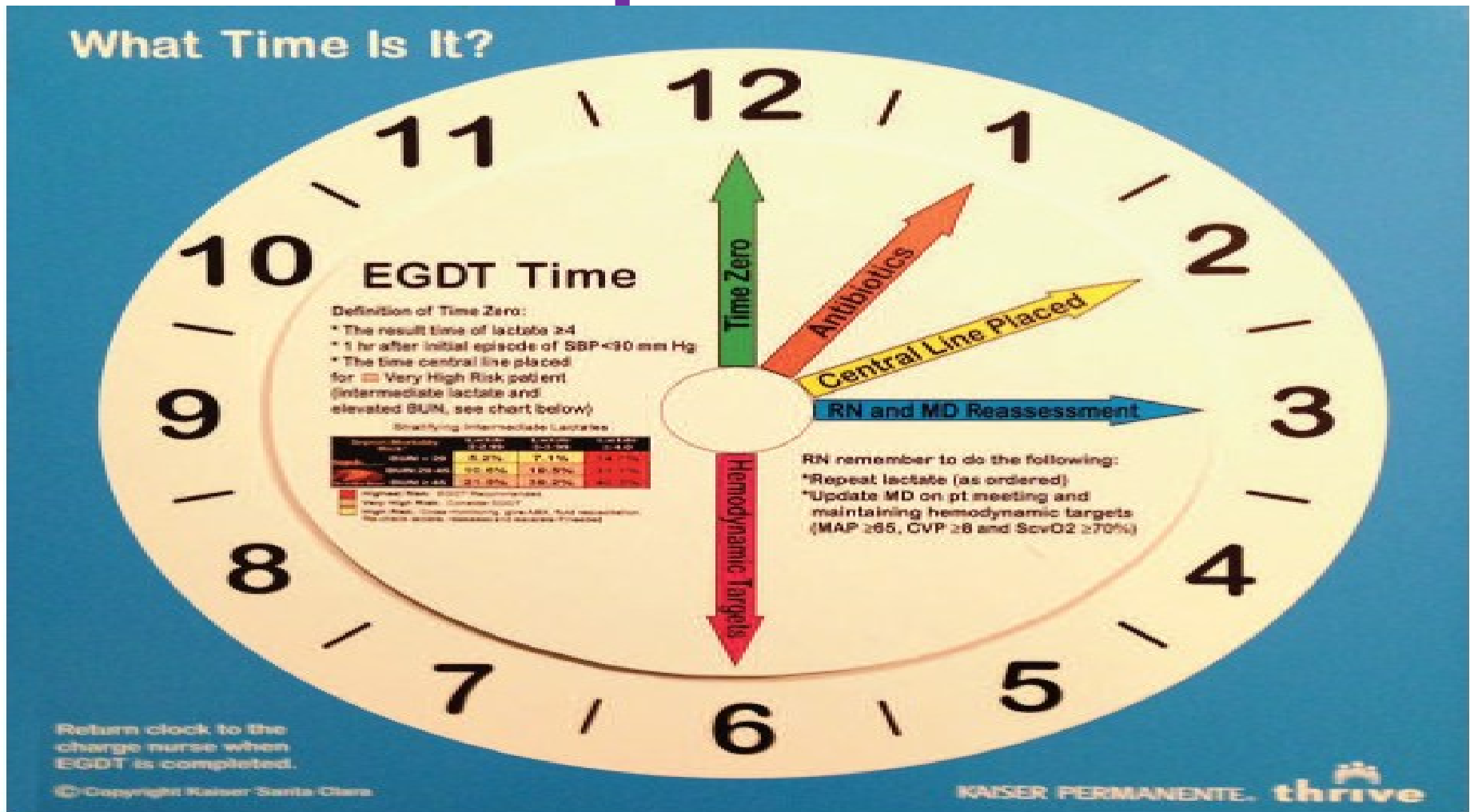
# Sepsis-targeting the host response

- Healthy person with meningococchemia
- Elderly patient with malnutrition and diverticulitis
- Patient with diabetes, chronic renal failure, and pneumonia





# Sepsis Clock



Each minute without  
**DIAGNOSIS and TREATMENT**  
 reduces survival