



# La stratificazione prognostica

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*La PROGNOSI ovvero....*

*...dal generale al particolare.*



**t 0** Dolore al fianco destro

PA 130/75mmHg

FC 85 bpm

SatO<sub>2</sub> 99% in aa,

tc 36°C

GB 9.000;

Hb 15,1g/dl;

PLT 270.000;

PCR 0,2 mg/dl

creat, Na, K,

AST, ALT amilasi

Bil tot 2,33 mg/dl

Bil diretta 0,67 mg/dl

OBI in chirurgia

**8°h** Brivido  
Tc 38,5°C

**12°h** PA 80/40 mmHg  
Liquidi

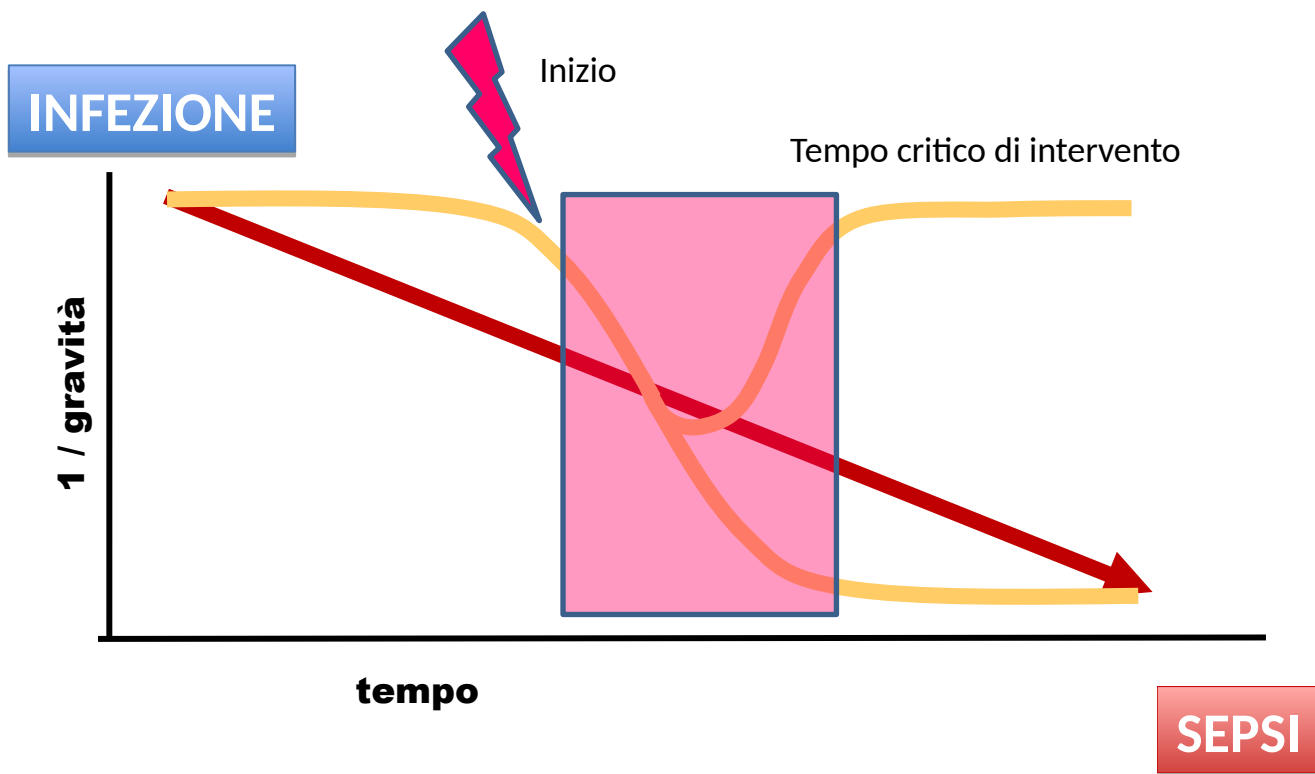
**23°h** PA 80/60 mmHg  
FC 120 bpm  
FR 32 apm  
SatO<sub>2</sub> 88% aa

TC addome

**25°h** Inizia antibiotico

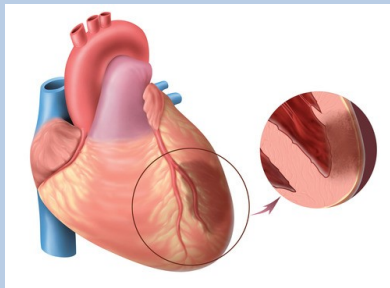
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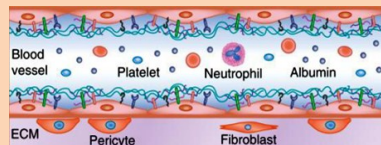
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**Il tempo è  
MUSCOLO**



## SEPSI

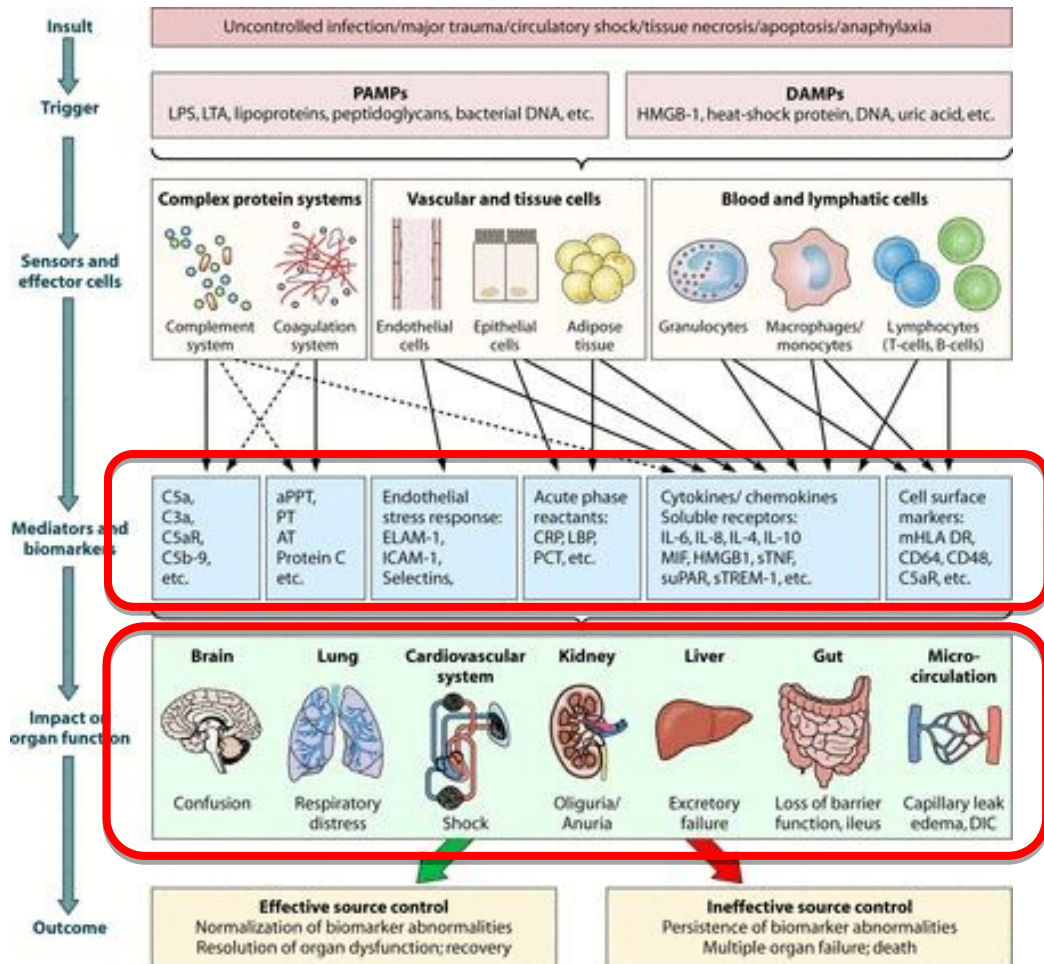
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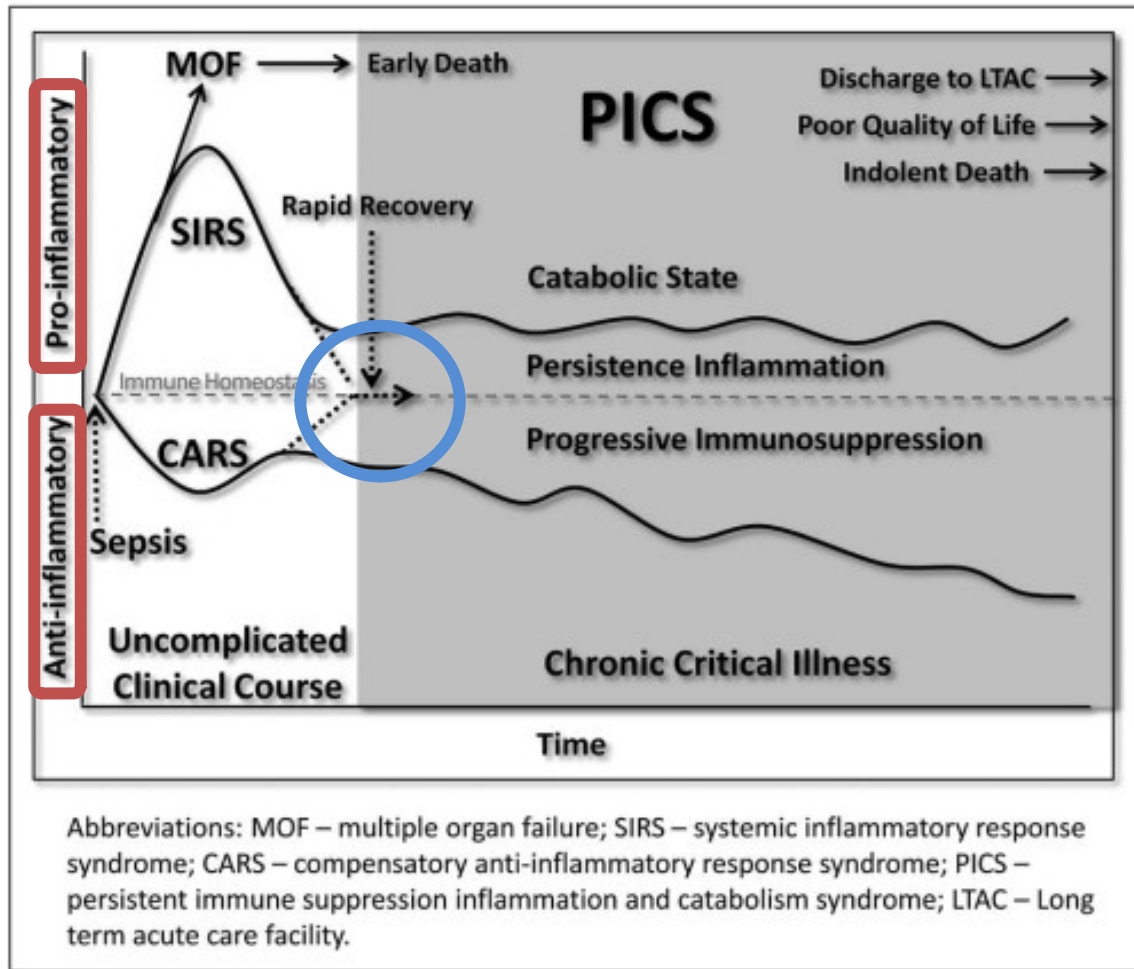


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**Il tempo è  
CERVELLO**

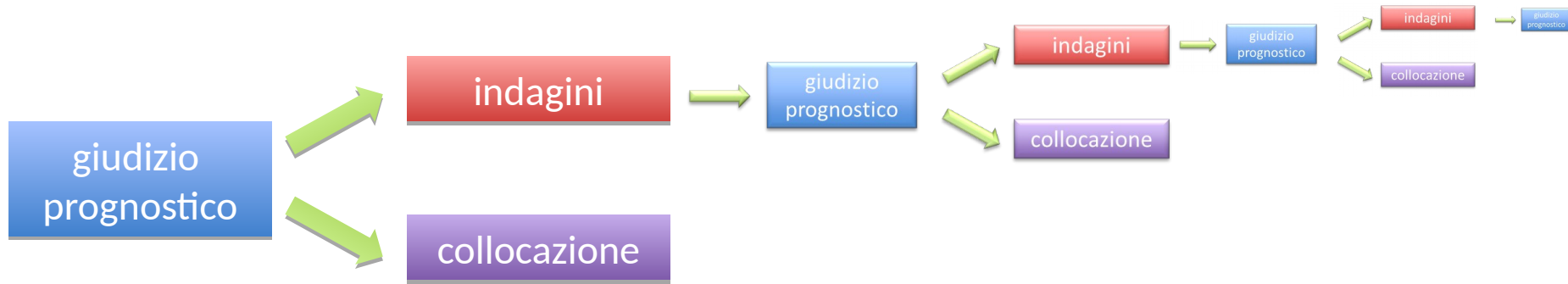






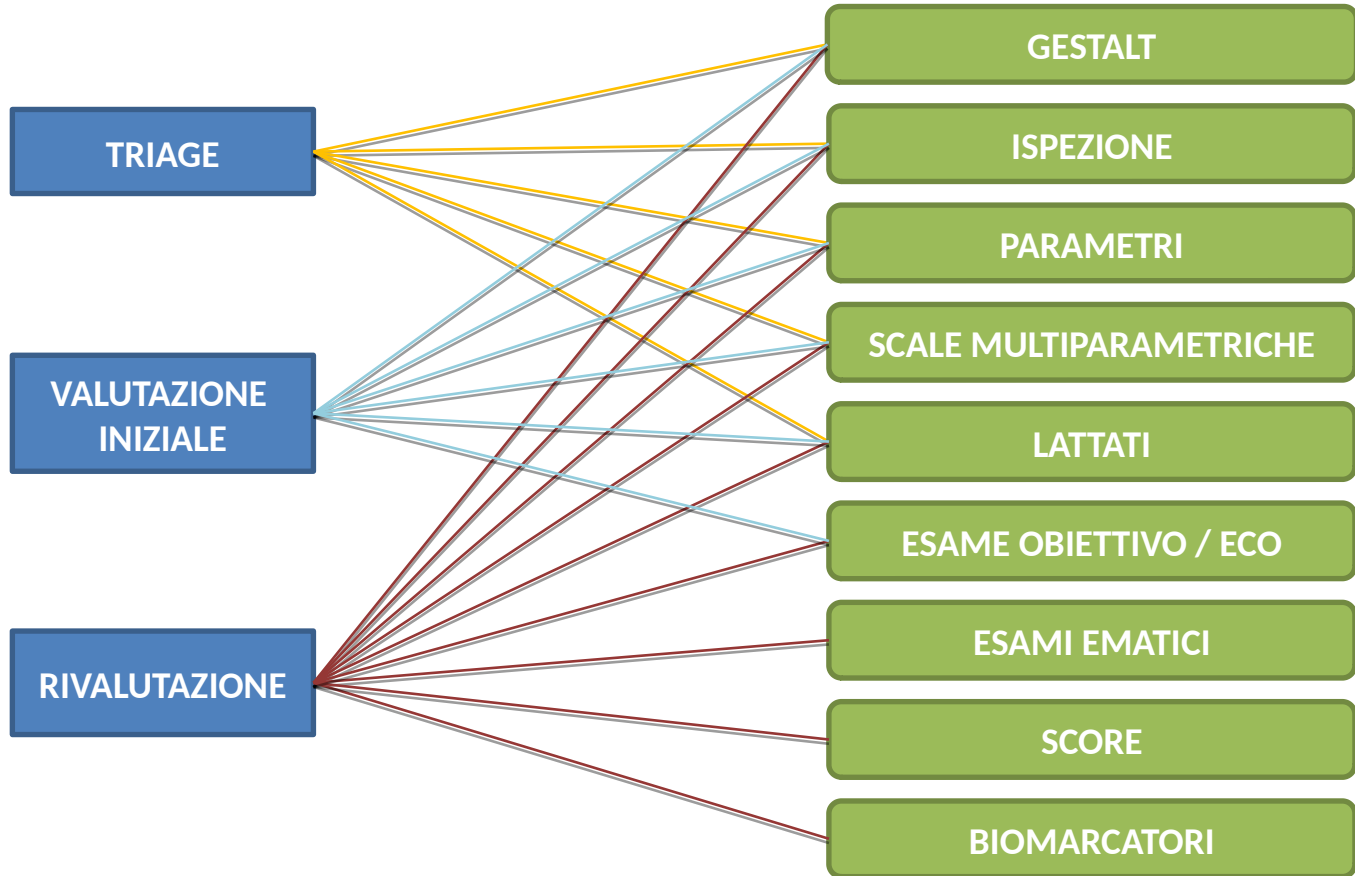
Sepsis Pathophysiology, Chronic Critical Illness, and Persistent Inflammation-  
Immunosuppression and Catabolism Syndrome Juan C. Mira, (*Crit Care Med* 2017; 45:253–262)





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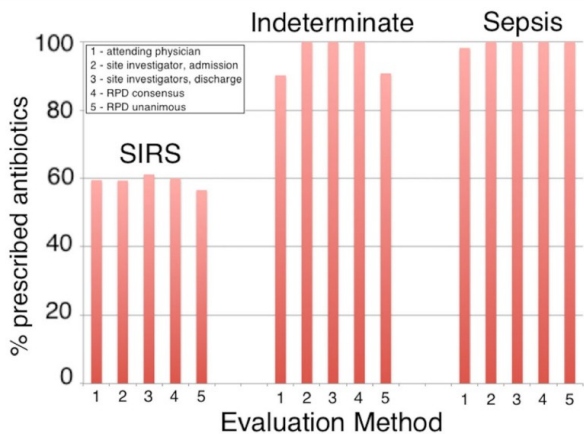
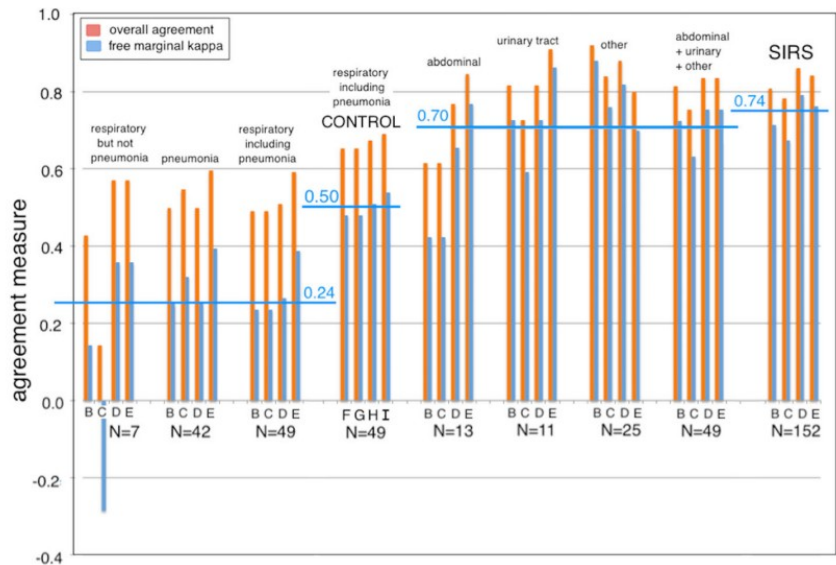
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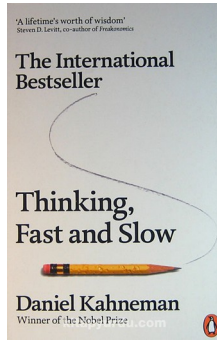
# Physician agreement on the diagnosis of sepsis in the intensive care unit: estimation of concordance and analysis of underlying factors in a multicenter cohort

Bert K. Lopansri<sup>1,2†</sup>, Russell R. Miller III<sup>3,4†</sup>, John P. Burke<sup>1,2</sup>, Mitchell Levy<sup>5</sup>, Steven Opal<sup>5</sup>, Richard E. Rothman<sup>6</sup>,

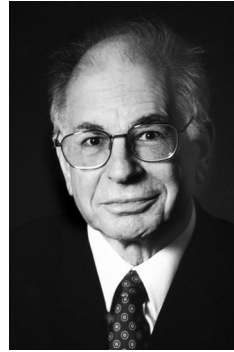
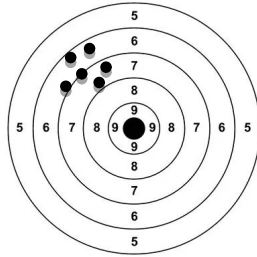
The fact that antibiotic use was so frequent in patients who did not have infection highlights the need for better strategies to reduce the burden and duration of unnecessary antibiotic use.



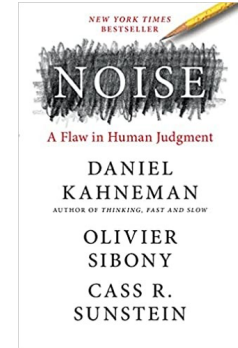
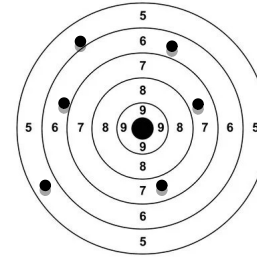
**Fig. 4** Analysis of subjects treated with therapeutic antibiotics as a function of diagnosis, evaluation method, and cohort: fraction of subjects treated. The case report forms indicated whether or not particular patients were treated with therapeutic antibiotics. A diagnosis of SIRS, indeterminate, or sepsis was made by (1) attending physician at admission, (2) site investigator at admission, (3) site investigators' consensus at discharge, (4) consensus RPD, or (5) unanimous RPD



Bias



Rumore



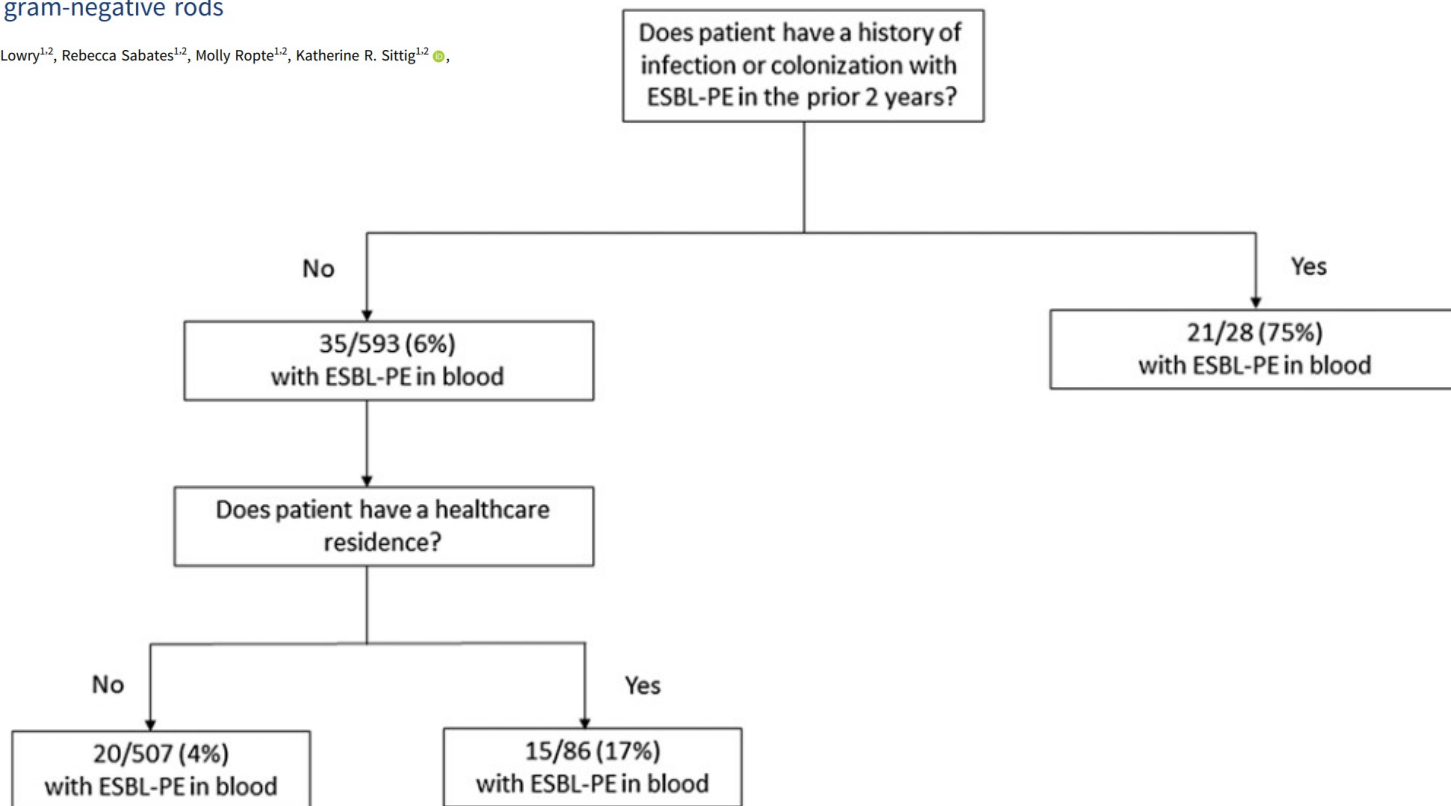
Concentrarsi sui predittori pertinenti, semplificare il modello predittivo e procedere a un'aggregazione meccanica: tutto questo riduce il rumore

*D. Kahneman*

## Concise Communication

Comparison of the performance of a clinical classification tree versus clinical gestalt in predicting sepsis with extended-spectrum beta-lactamase-producing gram-negative rods

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ISPEZIONE

## Valutazione della perfusione cutanea

Metodo	Variabile	Vantaggio	Limiti	Significato
Marezzatura cutanea	Presente/assente	Facile da esaminare	Poco specifico	-
	Punteggio	Facile e riproducibile	Non utile se cute scura	Pz grave se score 4-5
Refill capillare	Refill indice	Facile e riproducibile	Risultati variabili	Shock > 2.5 sec
	Refill ginocchio	Riproducibile	Non utile se cute scura	Shock > 5 sec
Gradiente di temperatura	Avambraccio-dito	Metodo validato	Tecnologia complessa	Significativo se > 4°C
	Centrale-alluce	Metodo validato	Tecnologia complessa	Significativo se > 7°C

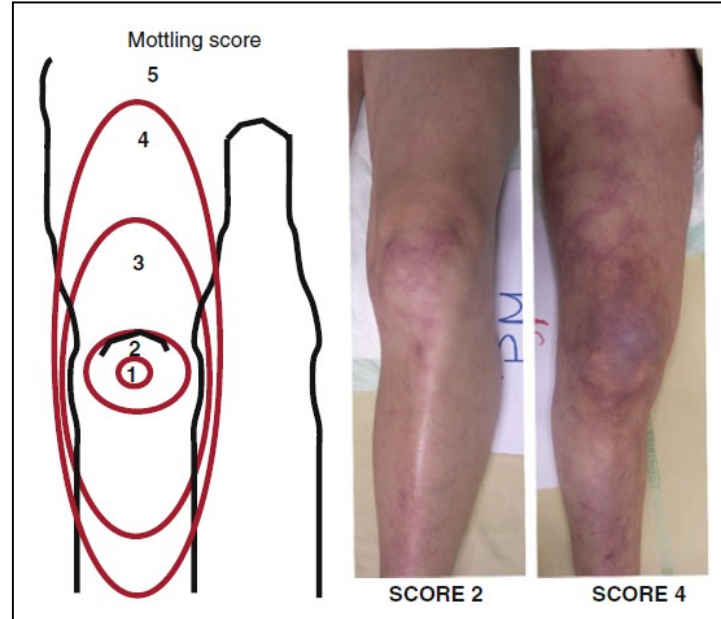
Hafid Ait-Oufella, and Jan Bakker.

Understanding clinical signs of poor tissue perfusion during septic shock

*Intensive Care Med* 2016



## Gradi di mareazzatura cutanea



H. Ait-Oufella et al.

**Mottling score predicts survival in septic shock**

Intensive Care Med (2011) 37:801–807

# Effect of a Resuscitation Strategy Targeting Peripheral Perfusion Status vs Serum Lactate Levels on 28-Day Mortality Among Patients With Septic Shock

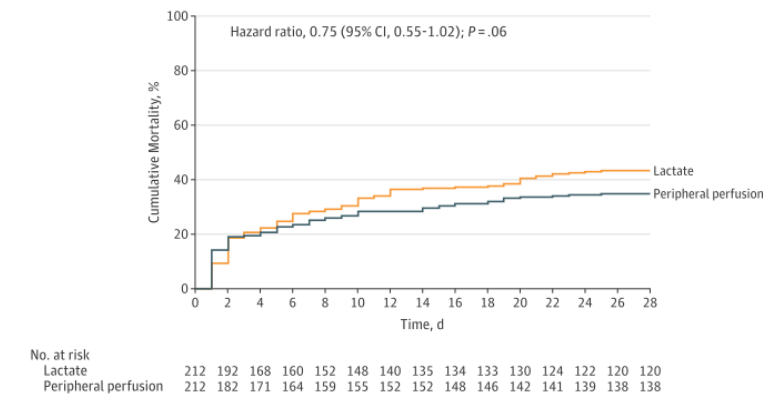
The ANDROMEDA-SHOCK Randomized Clinical Trial

JAMA. doi:10.1001/jama.2019.0071

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**INTERVENTIONS** Patients were randomized to a step-by-step resuscitation protocol aimed at either normalizing capillary refill time (n = 212) or normalizing or decreasing lactate levels at rates greater than 20% per 2 hours (n = 212), during an 8-hour intervention period.

Figure 2. Kaplan-Meier Estimates of Cumulative Mortality Within 28 Days Among Patients Treated With Peripheral Perfusion-Targeted Resuscitation vs Lactate Level-Targeted Resuscitation



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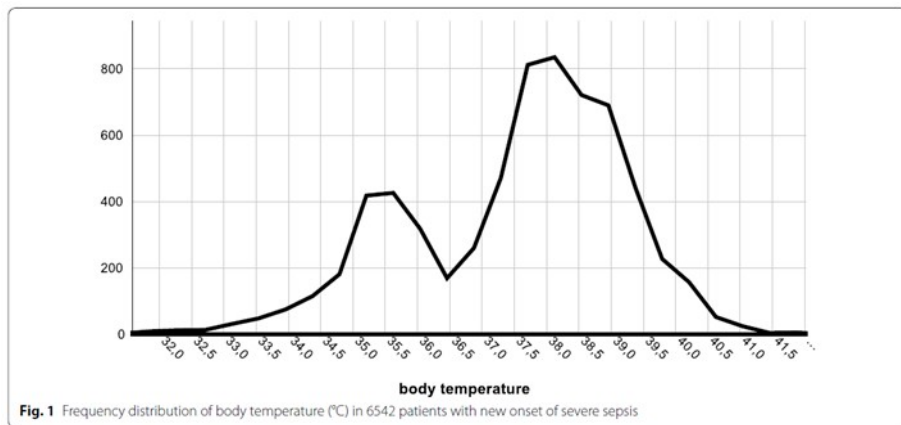
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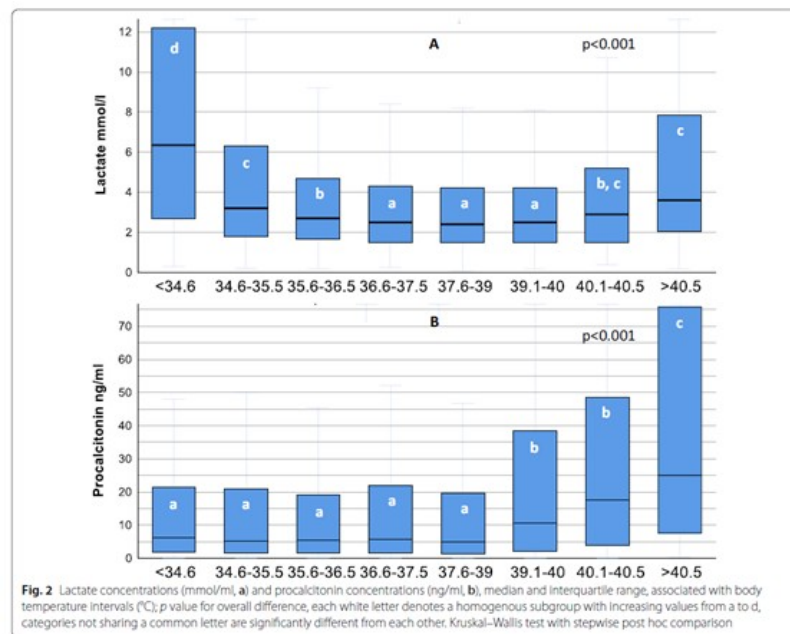
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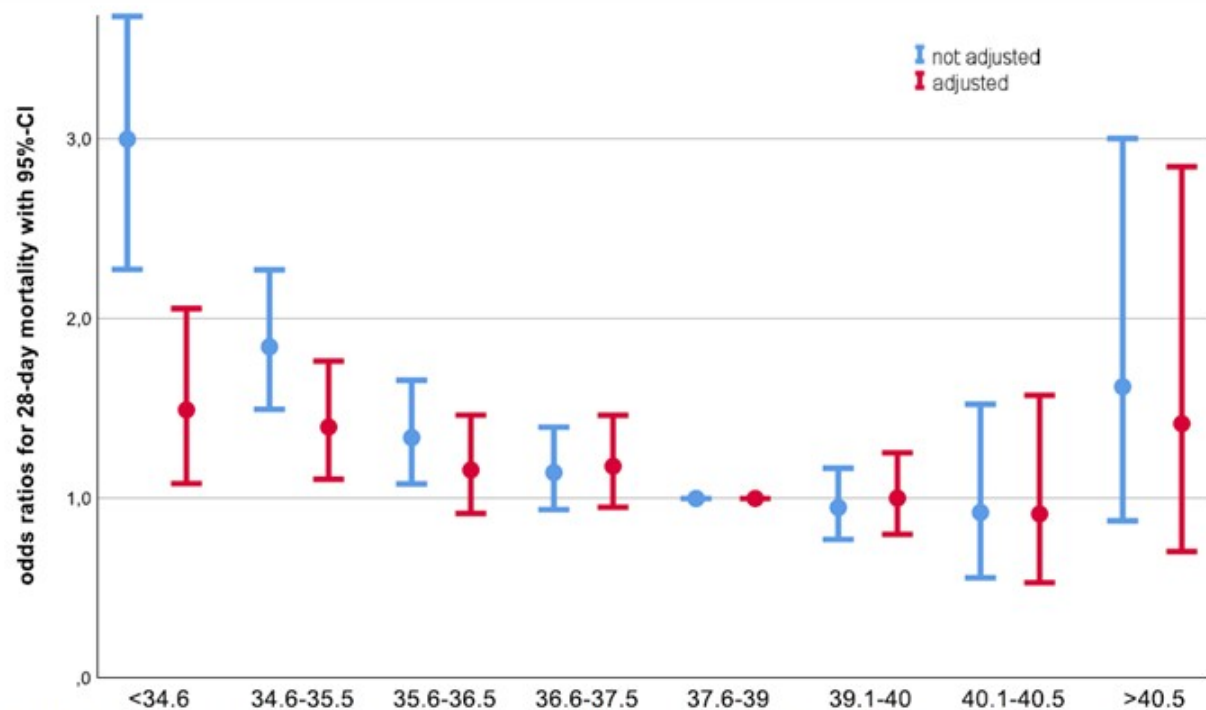
# Fever and hypothermia represent two populations of sepsis patients and are associated with outside temperature



**Fig. 1** Frequency distribution of body temperature (°C) in 6542 patients with new onset of severe sepsis



**Fig. 2** Lactate concentrations (mmol/l, a) and procalcitonin concentrations (ng/ml, b), median and interquartile range, associated with body temperature intervals (°C), p value for overall difference, each white letter denotes a homogenous subgroup with increasing values from a to d, categories not sharing a common letter are significantly different from each other. Kruskal–Wallis test with stepwise post hoc comparison



**Fig. 4** Odds ratios for 28-day mortality from a logistic regression model without and with adjustment for other predictors of mortality (see Additional file 2: aT1&aT2)

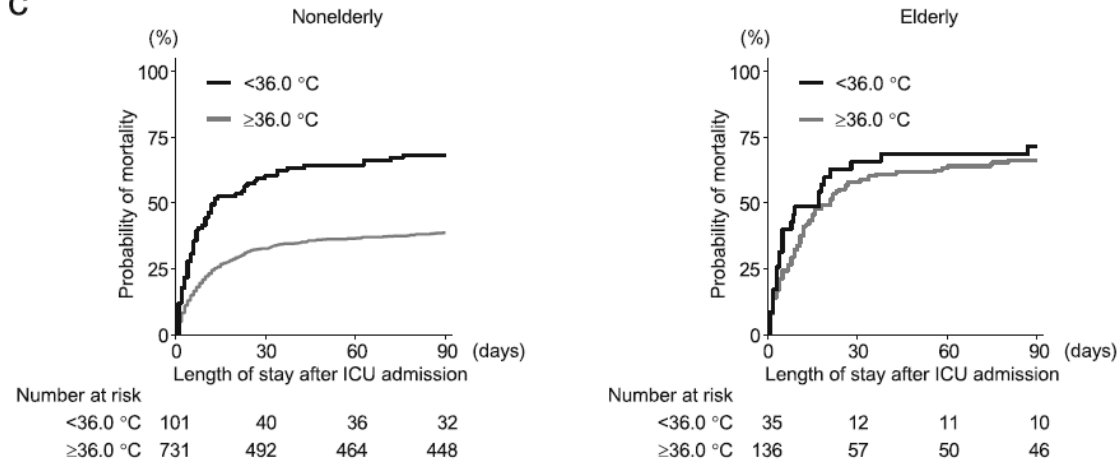
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# Significance of body temperature in elderly patients with sepsis



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tients. Interestingly, the other vital sign values were not consistently associated with differences in the outcome in patients of any age. Thus, BT was distinct among the

# qSOFA

Hypotension  
Systolic BP  
 $<100$  mmHg

Altered  
Mental  
Status

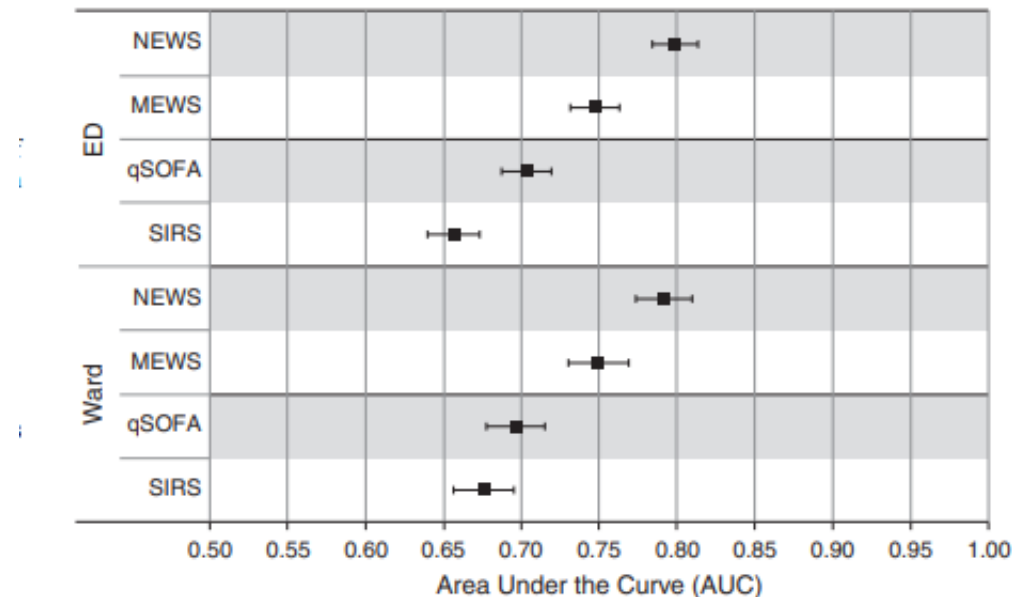
Tachypnea  
RR  $>22$ /Min

Score of  $\geq 2$  Criteria Suggests a Greater Risk of a Poor Outcome

# Quick Sepsis-related Organ Failure Assessment, Systemic Inflammatory Response Syndrome, and Early Warning Scores for Detecting Clinical Deterioration in Infected Patients outside the Intensive Care Unit

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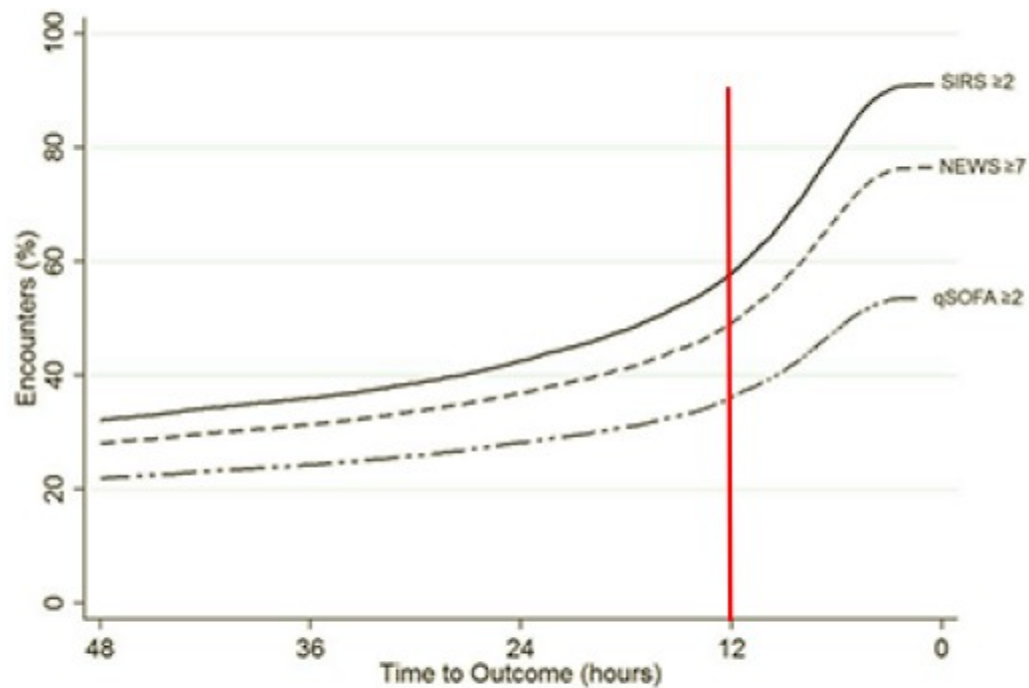
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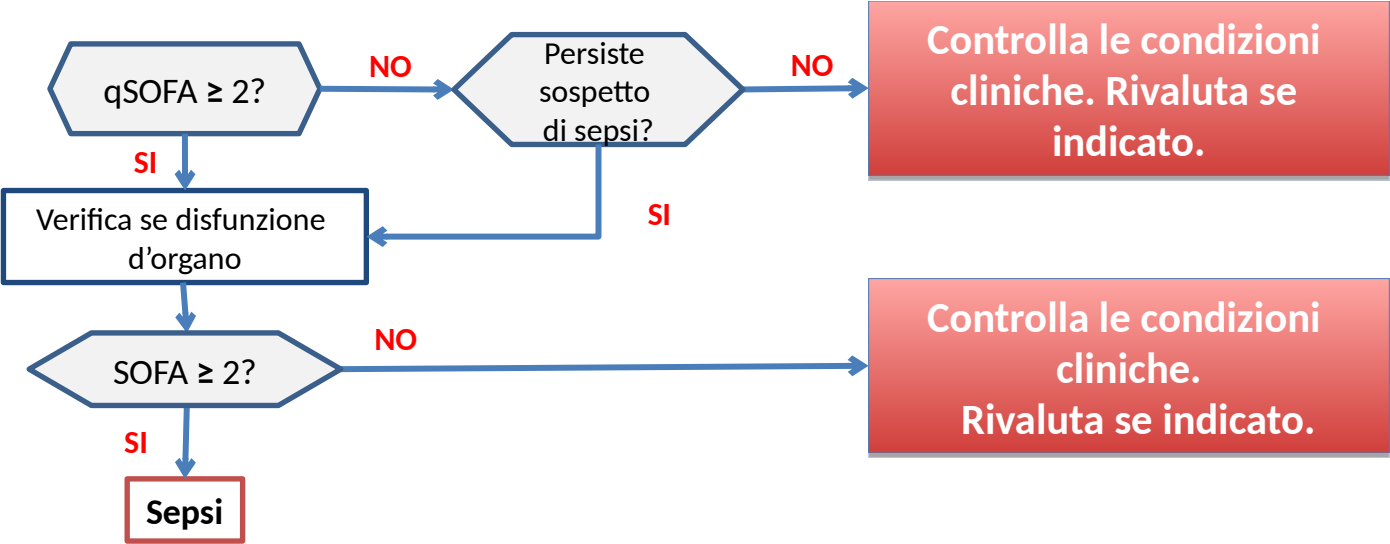
## National Early Warning Score

		Punteggio							
PARAMETRI		3	2	1	0	1	2	3	
SIRS	Frequenza Respiratoria /min	≤ 8		9-11	12-20		21-24	≥ 25	qSOFA
	SpO <sub>2</sub> scala 1 (%)	≤ 91	92-93	94-95	≥ 96				
	SpO <sub>2</sub> scala 2 (%)	≤ 83	84-85	86-87	88-92 ≥ 93 aa	93-94 con O2	95-96 con O2	≥ 97 con O2	
	Ossigeno		O <sub>2</sub>		Aria				
	PA sistolica	≤ 90	91-100	101-110	11-219			≥ 220	qSOFA
SIRS	FC	≤ 40		41-50	51-90	91-110	11-130	≥ 131	
	Coscienza				Allert			CVPU	qSOFA
SIRS	Temperatura	≤ 35,0		35.1-	36.1-	38.1-	≥ 39.1		
				36,0	38,0	39,0			



Cumulative percentage of patients meeting  $\geq 2$  qSOFA criteria,  $\geq 7$  NEWS criteria, or  $\geq 2$  SIRS criteria in the 48 hours prior to the composite outcome

PAZIENTE CON SOSPETTA INFEZIONE



➤ [Emerg Med J](#). 2022 Apr 8;emermed-2021-211271. doi: 10.1136/emmermed-2021-211271.  
Online ahead of print.

## Prognostic accuracy of using lactate in addition to the quick Sequential Organ Failure Assessment score and the National Early Warning Score for emergency department patients with suspected infection

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**Conclusion:** Lactate used in tandem with qSOFA or NEWS yielded higher sensitivities in predicting in-hospital 28-day mortality, as compared with integration of lactate into these prediction tools or usage of the tools independently.

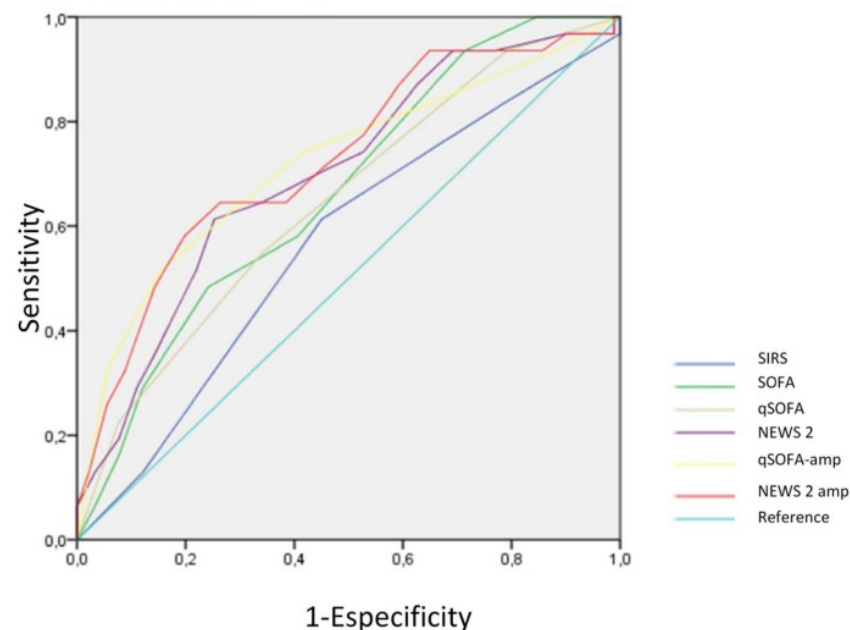
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# Prognostic value of diagnostic scales in community-acquired sepsis mortality at an emergency service. *Prognosis in community-acquired sepsis*

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Amplified scales with lactate  $>2\text{mg/dl}$ , glucose, blood level  $>190\text{mg/dl}$  and  $\text{PaCO}_2 <35\text{mmHg}$  improved predictive value.

**Conclusion:** Amplified-qSOFA and amplified-NEWS2 scales at Emergency Department may offer a better prognostic of septic patients mortality.

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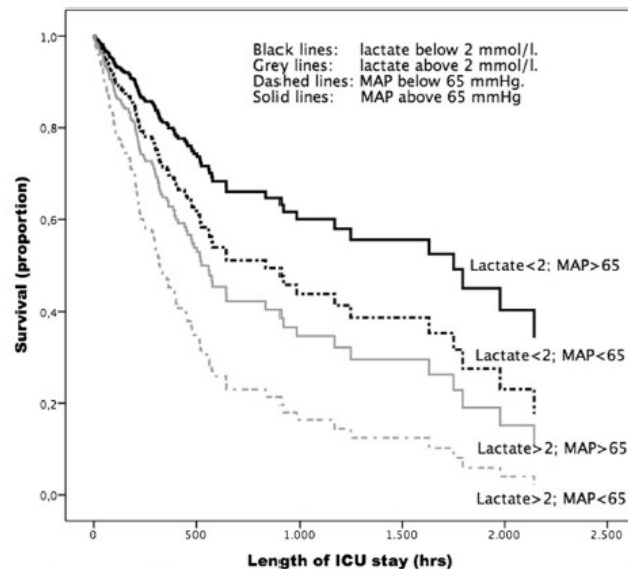
# The association between lactate, mean arterial pressure, central venous oxygen saturation and peripheral temperature and mortality in severe sepsis: a retrospective cohort analysis

Aletta P. I. Houwink<sup>1,2</sup>, Saskia Rijkenberg<sup>1</sup>, Rob J. Bosman<sup>1</sup> and Peter H. J. van der Voort<sup>1,3\*</sup>

## Citation

Barfod C, Lundstrøm LH, Lauritzen MMP, Danker JK, Sölétormos G, Forberg JL, Berlac PA, Lippert FK, Antonsen K, Lange KHW. Peripheral venous lactate at admission is associated with in-hospital mortality: a prospective cohort study. *Acta Anaesthesiologica Scandinavica* 2015

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**Fig. 1** Cox regression model for ICU survival based on the four categories for mean 24-hour values of lactate and MAP.  $-2\text{Log-likelihood} = 1524$ ; Chi-square 32,  $p = 0.001$  between groups. ICU intensive care unit, MAP mean arterial pressure

## Developing a New Definition and Assessing New Clinical Criteria for Septic Shock

For the Third International Consensus Definitions for Sepsis and Septic Shock (Sepsis-3)

*JAMA*. 2016;315(8):775-787. doi:10.1001/jama.2016.0289

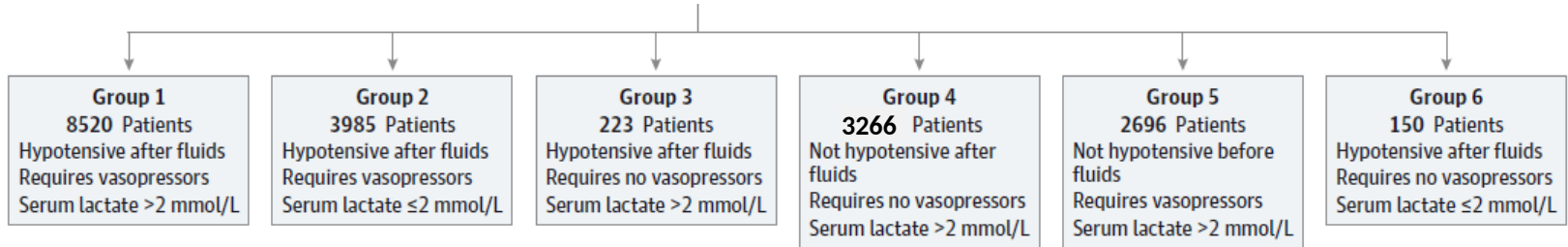
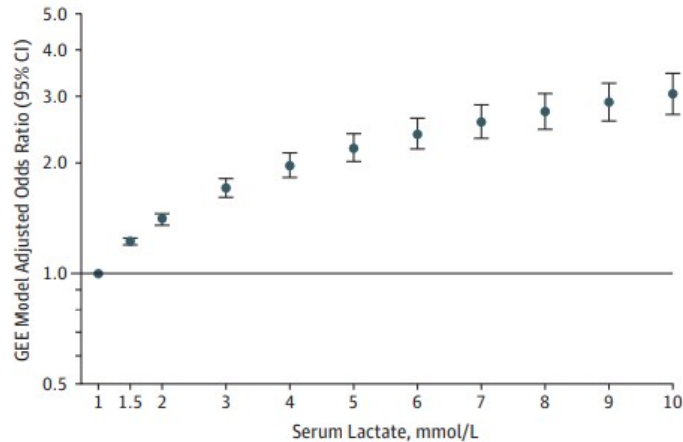


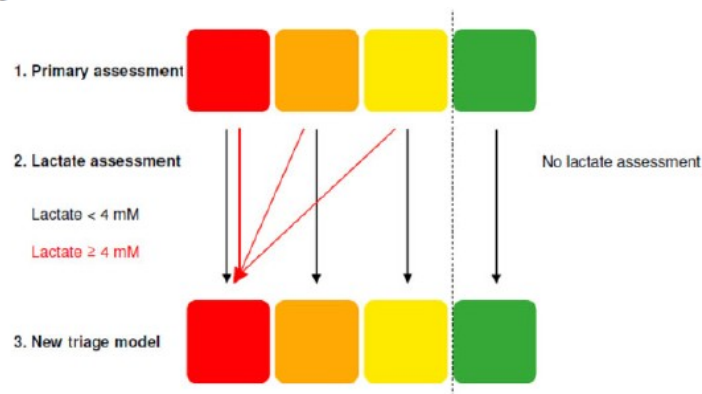
Figure 4. Serum Lactate Level Analysis





# Peripheral venous lactate at admission is associated with in-hospital mortality, a prospective cohort study

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**Fig. 2.** The suggestion of a new triage model based on the primary assessment supplemented with a peripheral venous lactate value.



## Editorial comment: what this article tells us

Venous lactate levels are not routinely measured for use in emergency department triage of patients. These findings show that very high lactate levels in this context are strongly associated with worse hospital survival, and have value for identifying the highest risk patients at triage.

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*Review*

# The Value of a Complete Blood Count (CBC) for Sepsis Diagnosis and Prognosis

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Alessandro Iacona <sup>2</sup>, Anna Maria Ciaccio <sup>3</sup>, Bruna Lo Sasso <sup>1,2</sup> and Marcello Ciaccio <sup>1,2,\*</sup> 

# Evaluation of leukopenia during sepsis as a marker of sepsis-defining organ dysfunction

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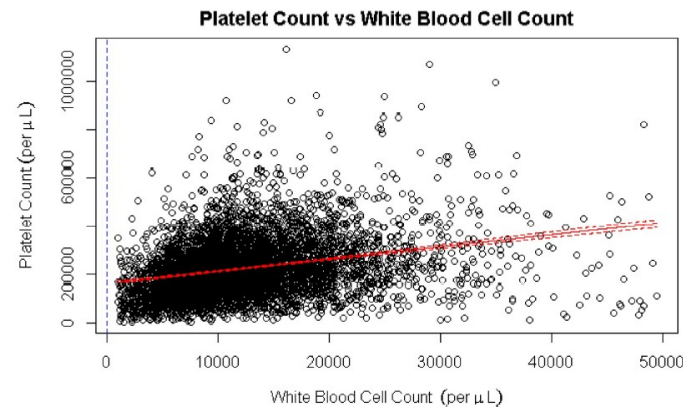
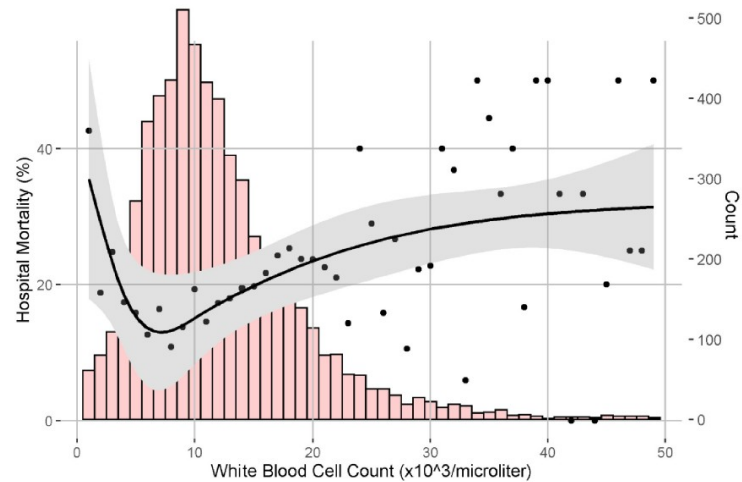
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## Conclusions

Among ICU patients with suspected infection, leukopenia was associated with increased risk of death compared with leukocytosis. Due to correlation with thrombocytopenia, leukopenia did not independently improve the prognostic validity of SOFA; however, leukopenia may present as a sign of sepsis prior to thrombocytopenia in a small subset of patients.

study. However, results from our exploratory analysis showed that neutropenia—but not lymphopenia—was strongly associated with mortality after adjusting for the SOFA scores, suggesting that decreased leukocyte production is a less likely mechanism of the association between leukopenia and mortality during sepsis.

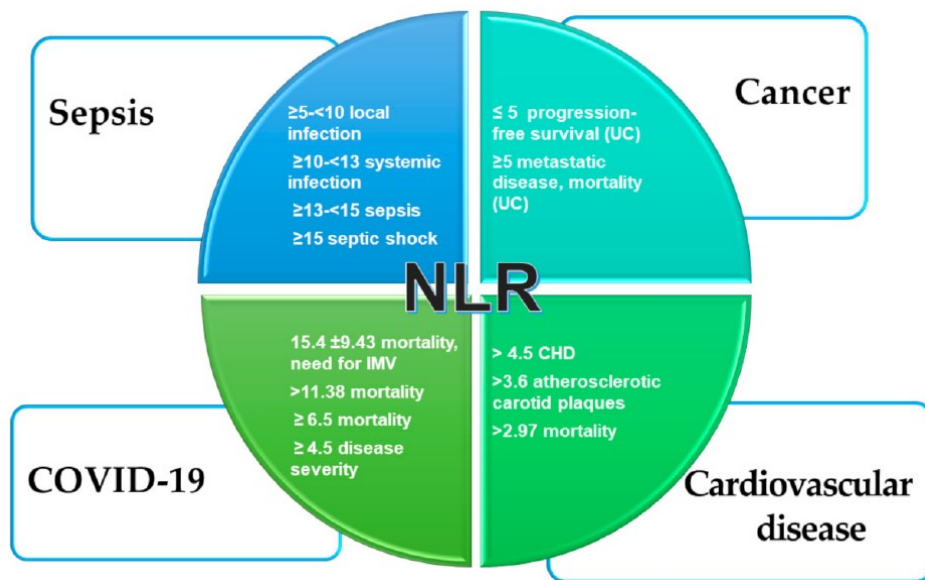




Review

# Neutrophil to Lymphocyte Ratio: An Emerging Marker of the Relationships between the Immune System and Diseases

Agata Buonacera <sup>1</sup>, Benedetta Stancanelli <sup>2</sup>, Michele Colaci <sup>3</sup>  and Lorenzo Malatino <sup>3,\*</sup> 



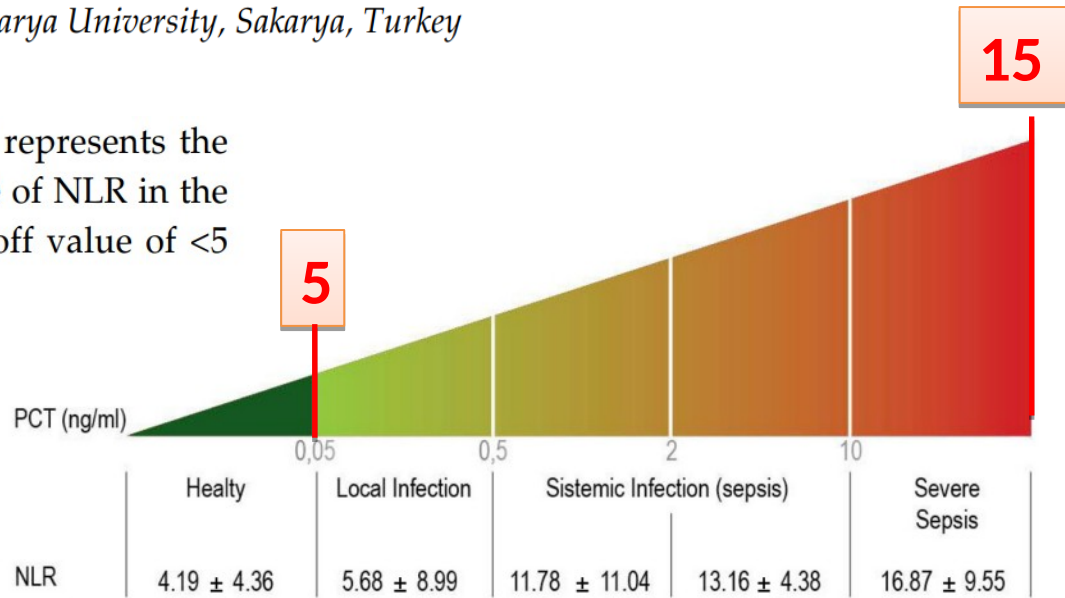
# Are There Standardized Cutoff Values for Neutrophil-Lymphocyte Ratios in Bacteremia or Sepsis?

J. Microbiol. Biotechnol. (2015), 25(4), 521–525  
<http://dx.doi.org/10.4014/jmb.1408.08060>

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assess and monitor a situation. This report represents the first study to determine the limits of the use of NLR in the diagnosis of infection or sepsis using a cutoff value of <5 when sufficient exclusion criteria are used.



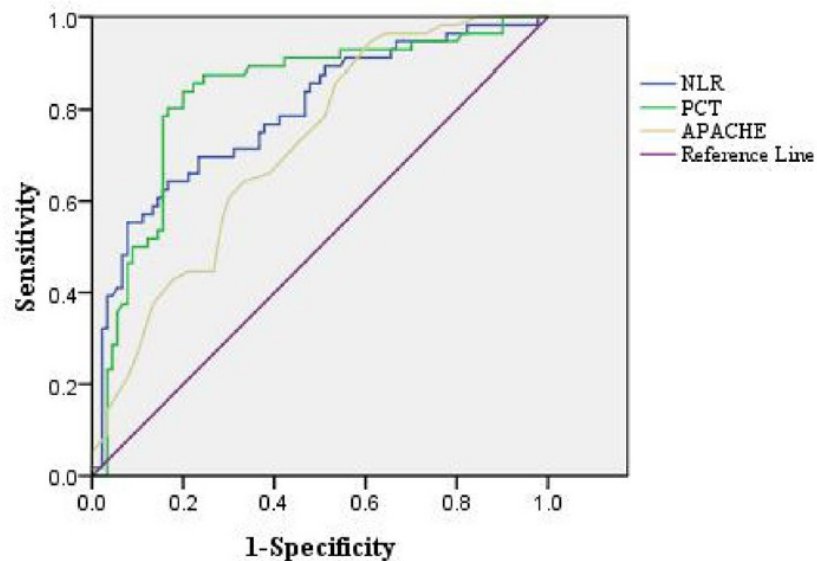
**Fig. 2.** Vidas B·R·A·H·M·S PCT cutoff and NLR values according to infection status.

# Value of CRP, PCT, and NLR in Prediction of Severity and Prognosis of Patients With Bloodstream Infections and Sepsis

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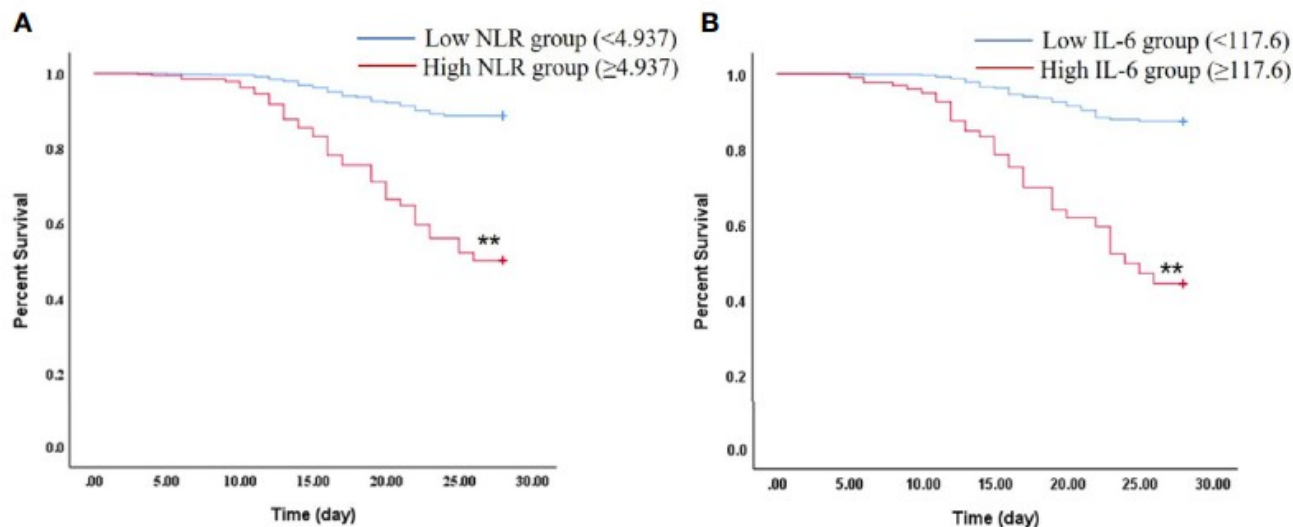
**FIGURE 2 |** ROC curve of the predictive value of relevant indicators for 28 days death in patients with bloodstream infection and sepsis.

# Effects of Neutrophil-to-Lymphocyte Ratio Combined With Interleukin-6 in Predicting 28-Day Mortality in Patients With Sepsis

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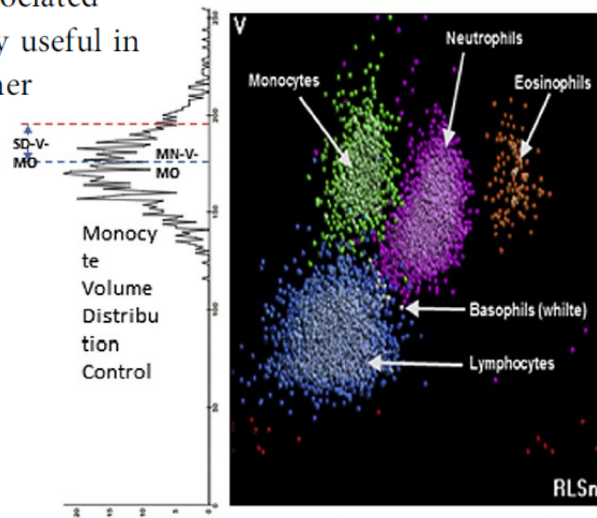
# Improved Early Detection of Sepsis in the ED With a Novel Monocyte Distribution Width Biomarker

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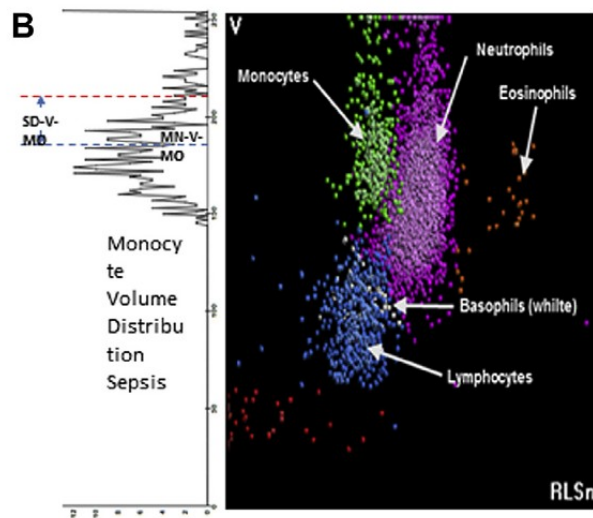
*Elliott D. Crouser, MD; Joseph E. Parrillo, MD; Christopher Seymour, MD; Derek C. Angus, MD, MPH,*

a normal MDW + WBC count index is associated with a 98% NPV, which may prove clinically useful in excluding a sepsis diagnosis. Although further

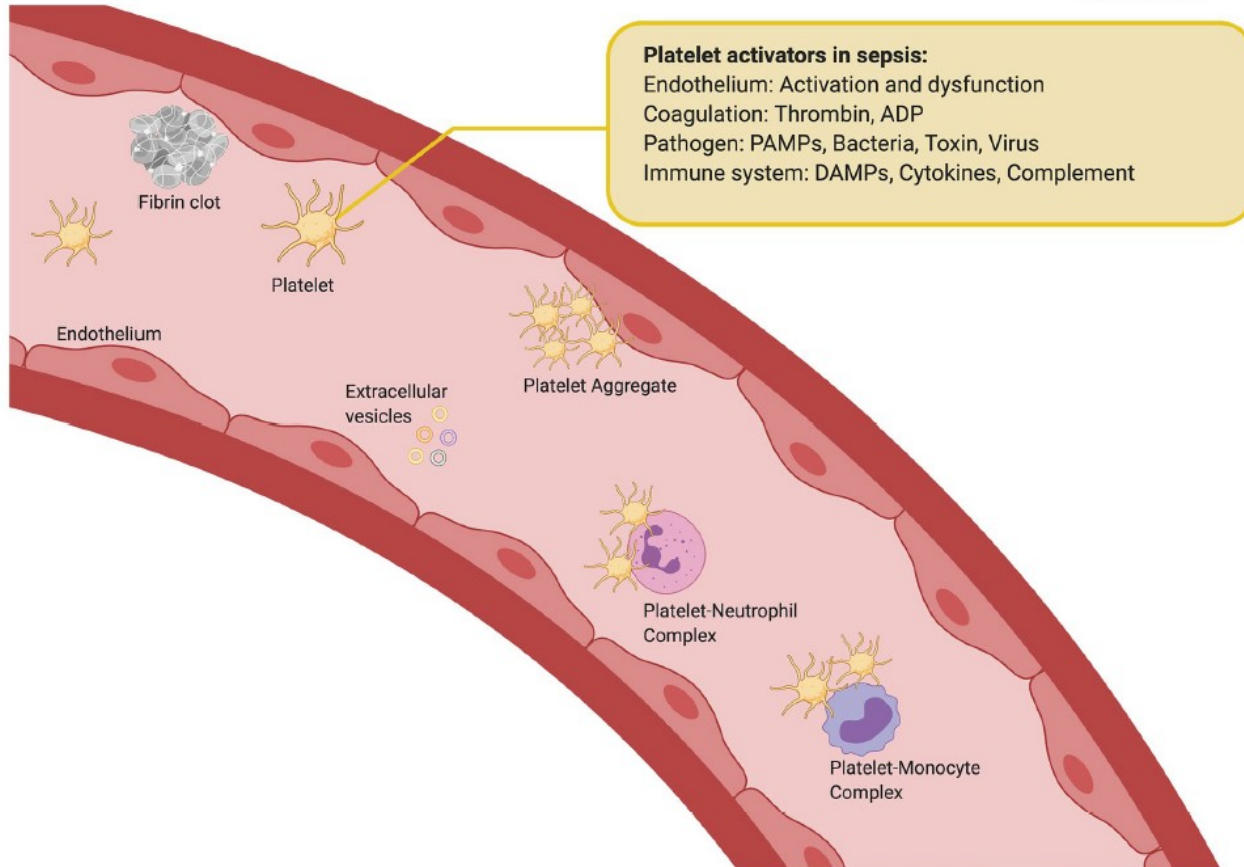
Approvato dalla FDA come biomarker precoce di sepsi per l'elevato valore predittivo negativo



Non-septic



Septic



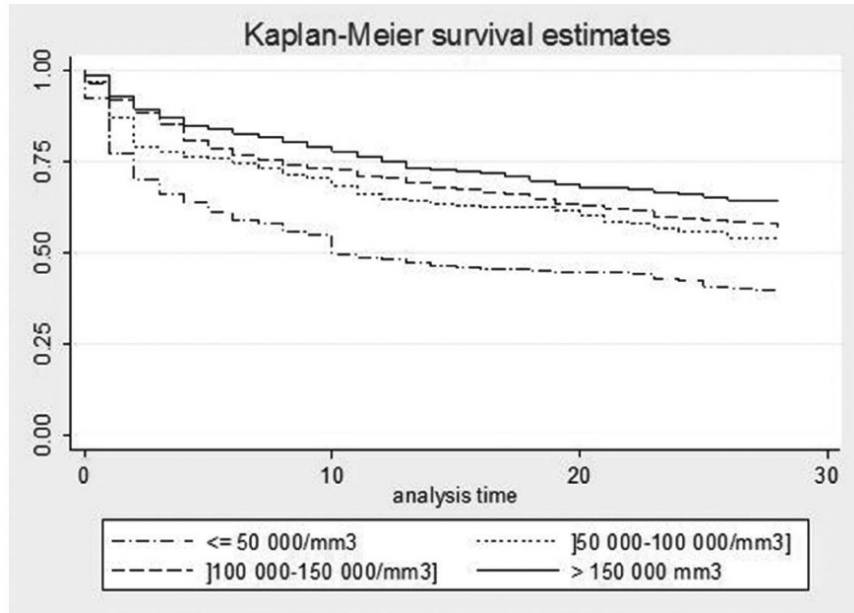
# Is Thrombocytopenia an Early Prognostic Marker in Septic Shock?

Nadiejda Thiery-Antier, MD<sup>1</sup>; Christine Binquet, MD, PhD<sup>2</sup>; Sandrine Vinault, MSc<sup>2</sup>;

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**Conclusions:** This is the first study to investigate thrombocytopenia within the first 24 hours of septic shock onset as a prognostic marker of survival at day 28 in a large cohort of ICU patients. Measuring platelet count is inexpensive and easily feasible for the physician in routine practice, and thus, it could represent an easy “alert system” among patients in septic shock. (*Crit Care Med* 2016; 44:764–772)

# Prognosis and rescue therapy for sepsis-related severe thrombocytopenia in critically ill patients

Zhigang Zhou<sup>a,1</sup>, Tienan Feng<sup>b,1</sup>, Yun Xie<sup>a</sup>, Xiaoyan Zhang<sup>a</sup>, Jiang Du<sup>a</sup>, Rui Tian<sup>a</sup>, Biyun Qian<sup>b</sup>, Ruilan Wang<sup>a,\*</sup>

Cytokine 136 (2020) 155227

**Table 2**

Patients with sepsis-related severe thrombocytopenia had the worst clinical outcomes among the three groups.

Variable	Normal n = 159	mild-moderate thrombocytopenia n = 41	Severe thrombocytopenia n = 49	P value <sup>†</sup>
<b>Blood product transfusion</b>				
Patients with PLT transfusion, n (%)	6 (3.8)	3 (7.3)	25 (51.0) <sup>#</sup>	< 0.001
Patients with RBC transfusion, n (%)	33 (20.7)	8 (19.5)	31 (63.3) <sup>#</sup>	< 0.001
Patients with FP transfusion, n (%)	51 (32.1)	15 (36.6)	37 (75.5) <sup>#</sup>	< 0.001
Number of PLT transfusion (U), median (IQR)	0 (0–0)	0 (0–0)	1 (0–1) <sup>#</sup>	< 0.001
Number of RBC transfusion (U), median (IQR)	0 (0–0)	0 (0–0)	2 (0–5) <sup>#</sup>	< 0.001
Number of FP transfusion (U), median (IQR)	0 (0–3)	0 (0–4)	5 (1–14) <sup>#</sup>	< 0.001
<b>Organ support</b>				
Days free from vasoactive drugs at 28 days (days), median (IQR)	28 (24–28)	26 (8–28)	23 (7–27) <sup>#</sup>	< 0.001
Days free from MV at 28 days (days), median (IQR)	24 (11–28)	20 (3–28)	11 (0–24) <sup>#</sup>	0.001
Days free from RRT at 28 days (days), median (IQR)	28 (25–28)	28 (14–28)	25 (8–28) <sup>#</sup>	< 0.001
<b>Clinical outcome</b>				
Number of the patients died at 28 days, n (%)	34 (21.4)	15 (36.6)	21 (42.9) <sup>*</sup>	0.006
Survival days at 28 days (days), median (IQR)	28 (28–28)	28 (10–28)	28 (11–28) <sup>*</sup>	0.002

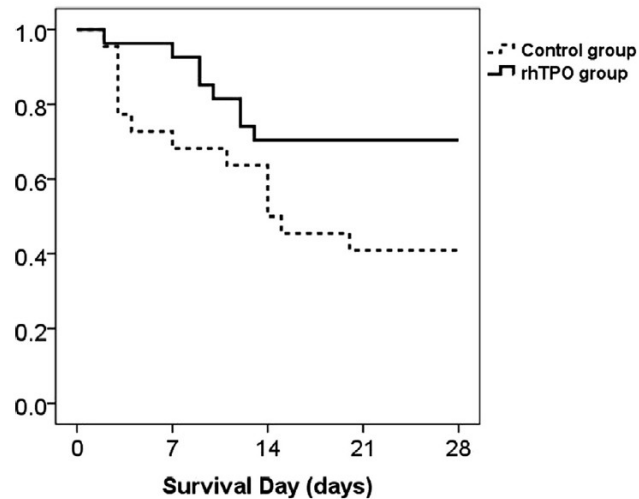


Fig. 1. The 28-day survival curves of the control and rhTPO groups.

## 5. Conclusions

Severe thrombocytopenia ( $PC < 50 \times 10^9/L$ ), not mild-moderate thrombocytopenia, is closely associated with poor outcomes in sepsis patients. Additionally, rhTPO is likely a rescue therapy that can lead to the quick recovery of the PC and improve the prognosis of patients with sepsis-related severe thrombocytopenia.

# Role of immature platelet fraction (IPF) in sepsis patients: A systematic review

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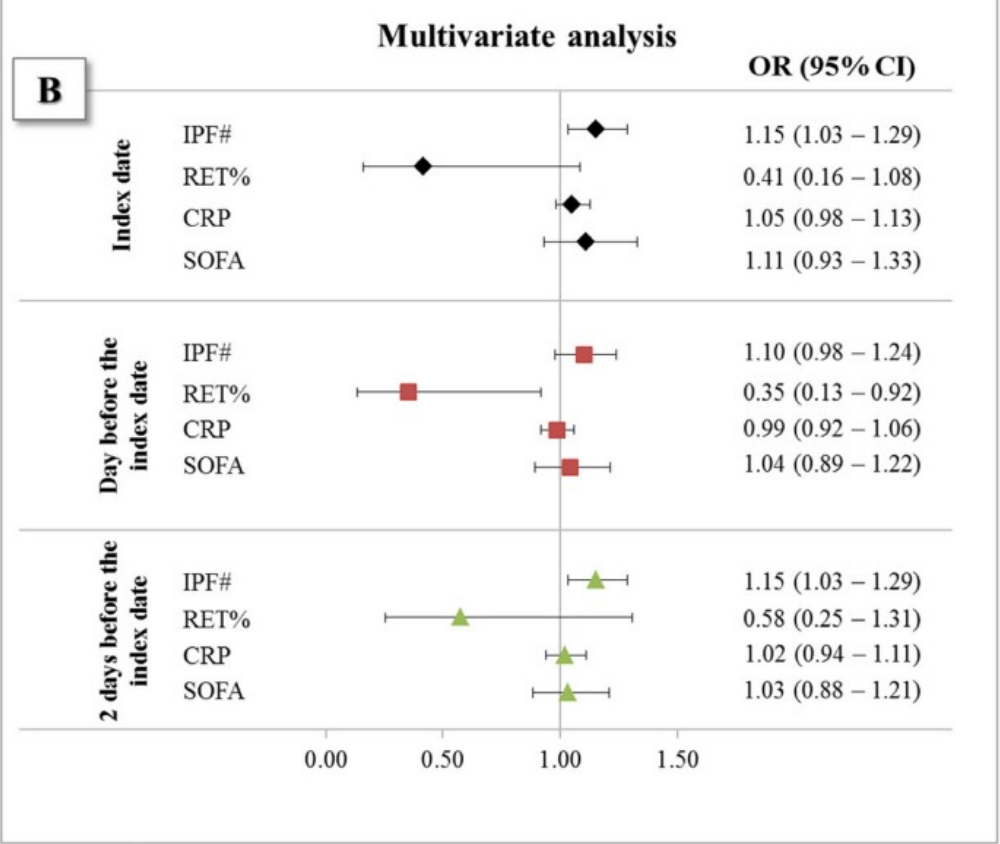
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IPF may be a predictor of the disease and gives 100% accuracy when combined with other biomarkers that are currently in use.

IPF was seen to be elevated two days before the onset of sepsis in critically ill patients in the ICU.

# Innovative haematological parameters for early diagnosis of sepsis in adult patients admitted in intensive care unit

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SCORE



# SOFA

Sistema	Punteggio				
	0	1	2	3	4
<b>Respirazione</b>					
PaO <sub>2</sub> /Fio <sub>2</sub> , mmHg	≥ 400	< 400	< 300	< 200 con supporto ventilatorio	< 100 con supporto ventilatorio
<b>Coagulazione</b>					
Piastrine	≥ 150.000	< 150.000	< 100.000	< 50.000	< 20.000
<b>Fegato</b>					
Bilirubina (mg/dl)	< 1,2	1,2 - 1,9	2,0 - 5,9	6,0 - 11,9	≥ 12,0
<b>Cardiovascolare</b>					
	MAP ≥ 70 mmHg	MAP < 70 mmHg	Dopamina < 5* o dobutamina	Dopamina 5,1- 15* o nor. ≤ 0,1*	Dopamina > 15* o noradrenalina > 0,1* *mcg/kg/min
<b>Sistema nervoso centrale</b>					
GCS	15	13 - 14	10 - 12	6 - 9	< 6
<b>Renale</b>					
Creatinina (mg/dl)	< 1,2	1,2 - 1,9	2,0 - 3,4	3,5 - 4,9	> 5,0
Diuresi (ml/die)				< 500	< 200

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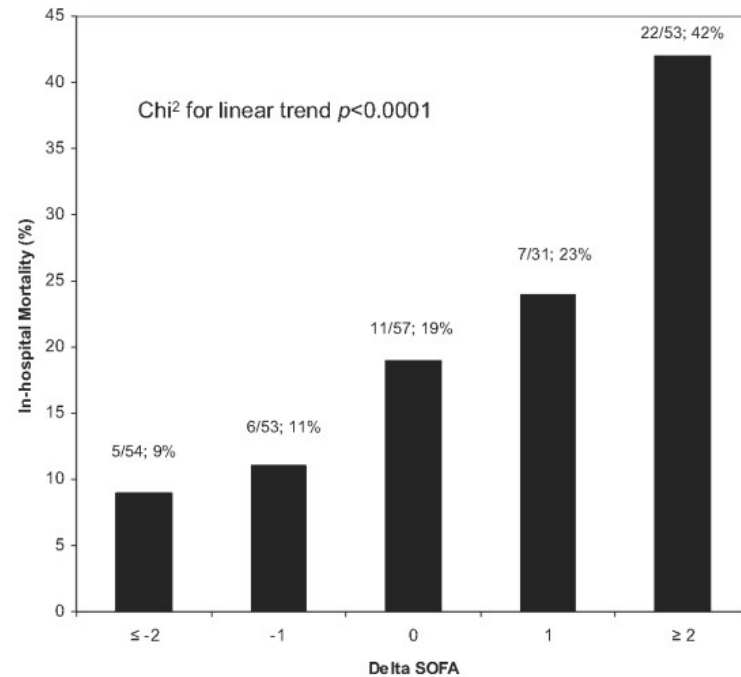
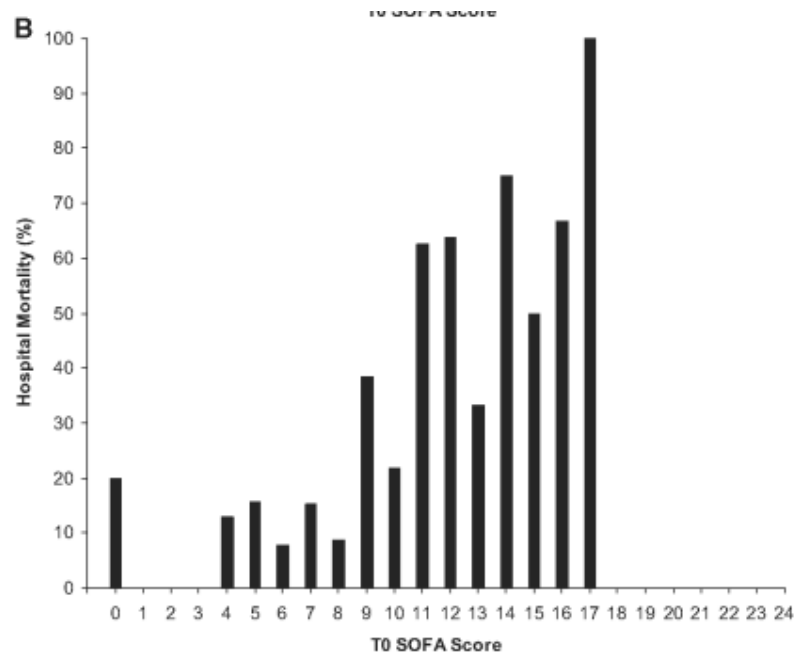
## **The Sequential Organ Failure Assessment score for predicting outcome in patients with severe sepsis and evidence of hypoperfusion at the time of emergency department presentation\***

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### **CONCLUSIONS**

The SOFA score demonstrated fair to good accuracy for predicting in-hospital mortality when applied to patients with severe sepsis with evidence of hypoperfusion at the time of ED presentation. The  $\Delta$  SOFA over 72 hours has a significant positive relationship to in-hospital mortality. These data suggest that use of the SOFA score is an acceptable method for risk stratification and prognosis of ED patients with severe sepsis with evidence of hypoperfusion and that the  $\Delta$  SOFA score may be a useful measurement to follow in clinical and research settings.



## Sequential Organ Failure Assessment Component Score Prediction of In-hospital Mortality From Sepsis

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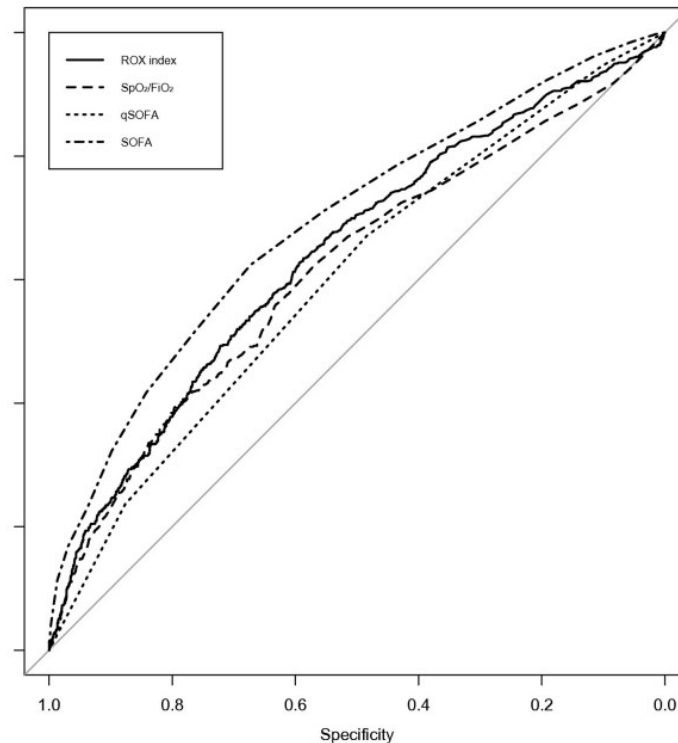
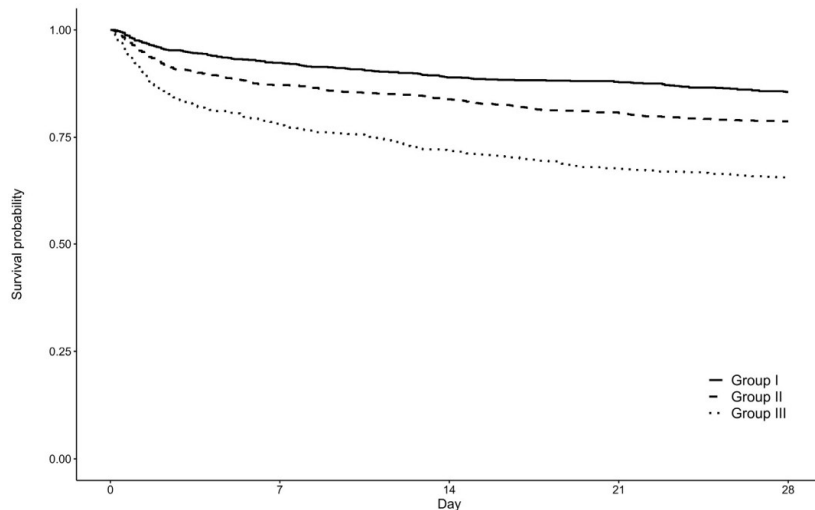
**Results:** Of 2796 patients, 283 (10%) experienced in-hospital mortality, and 748 (27%) experienced in-hospital mortality or an ICU stay  $\geq 3$  days. The following components of Sequential Organ Failure Assessment (SOFA) score were most predictive of in-hospital mortality (descending order): coagulation (odds ratio [OR]: 1.60, 95% confidence interval [CI]: 1.32–1.93), hepatic (1.58, 95% CI: 1.32–1.90), respiratory (OR: 1.33, 95% CI: 1.21–1.47), neurologic (OR: 1.20, 95% CI: 1.07–1.35), renal (OR: 1.14, 95% CI: 1.02–1.27), and cardiovascular (OR: 1.13,

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## The index of oxygenation to respiratory rate as a prognostic factor for mortality in Sepsis

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## **The SPEED (sepsis patient evaluation in the emergency department) score: a risk stratification and outcome prediction tool**


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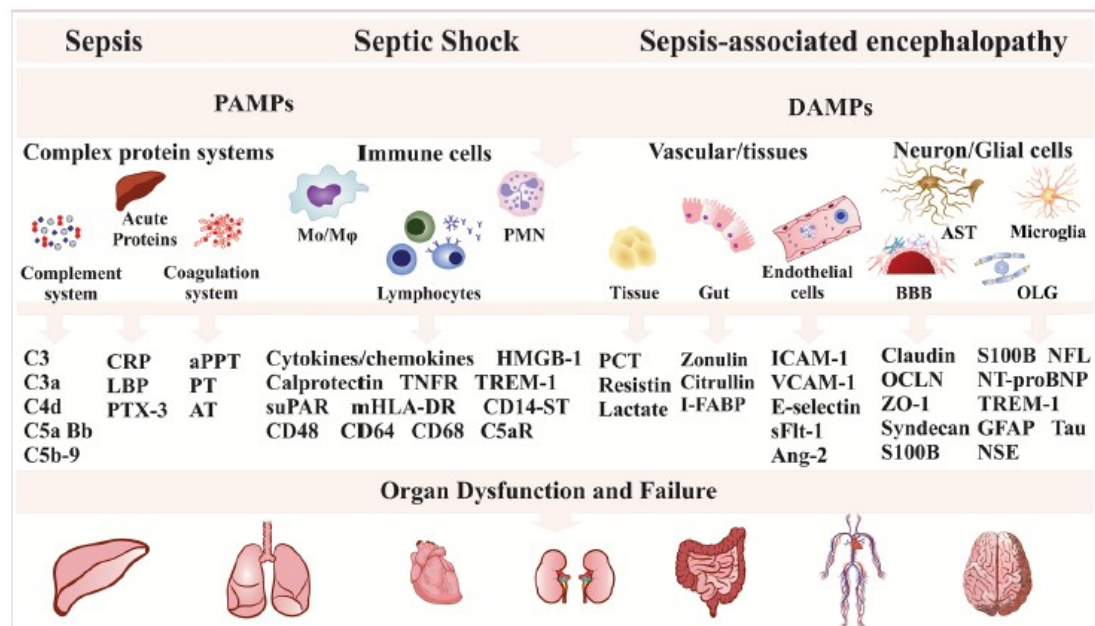
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## **BMJ Open** Development and internal validation of a simple prognostic score for early sepsis risk stratification in the emergency department

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**Fig. 1** Sepsis, septic shock, and sepsis-associated encephalopathy. The diagram illustrates the pathogenesis of these conditions, showing the progression from PAMPs (Complex protein systems, Immune cells) and DAMPs (Vascular/tissues, Neuron/Glial cells) to Organ Dysfunction and Failure. Key biomarkers and molecules are listed for each stage.

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## REVIEW

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# Biomarkers for sepsis: more than just fever and leukocytosis—a narrative review

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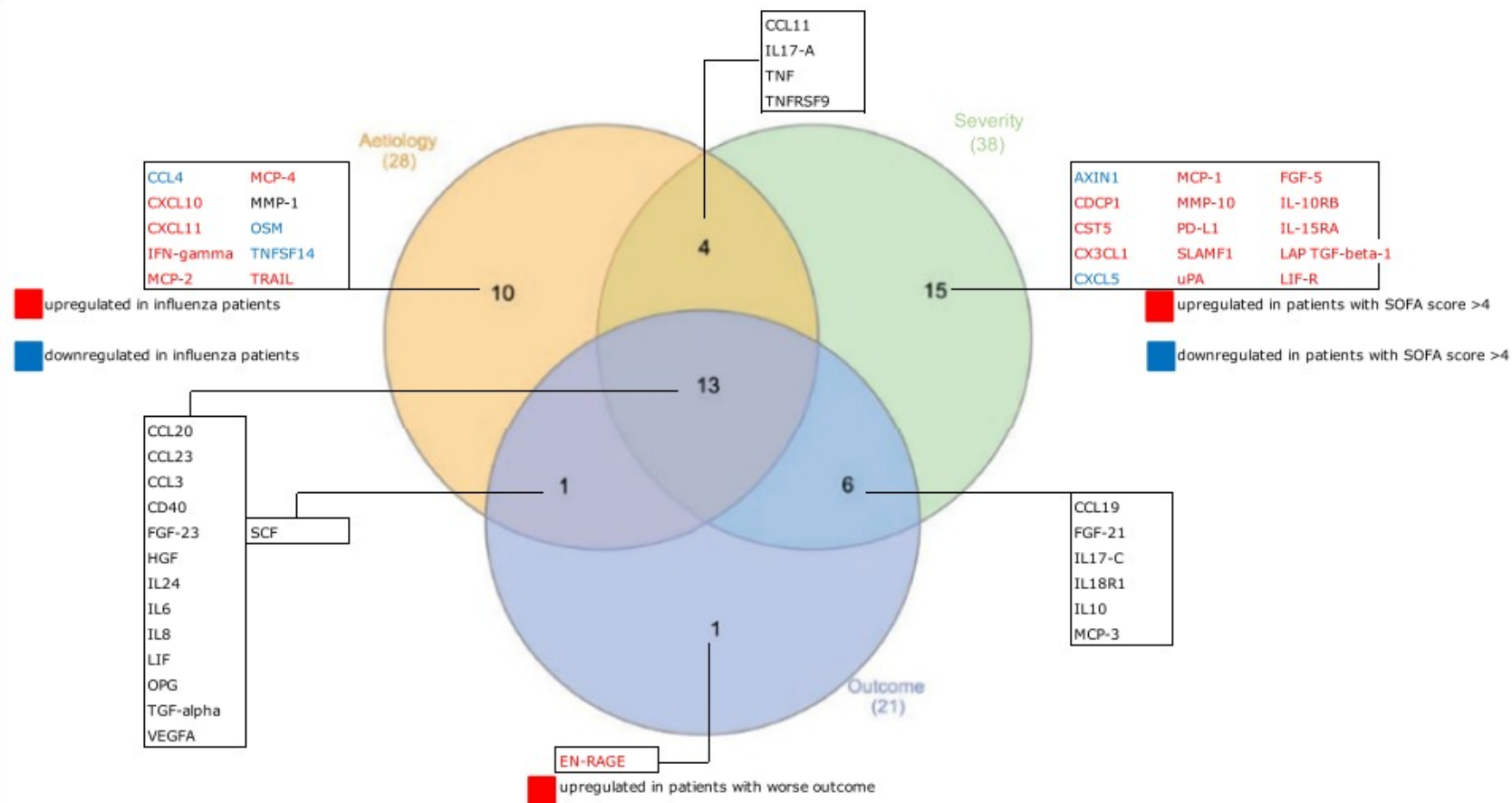


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# A prospective observational cohort study to identify inflammatory biomarkers for the diagnosis and prognosis of patients with sepsis





**Fig. 1** Venn diagram showing all differentially expressed proteins between three different groupings, together with overlapping findings. Three different groupings are: aetiology (influenza versus bacterial), severity (SOFA score < 2 versus > 4), and outcome (less severe outcome versus worse outcome)

# Septic patients presenting with apparently normal C-reactive protein

## A point of caution for the ER physician

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### Abstract

The presentation of septic patients with low C-reactive protein (CRP) concentrations to the emergency room (ER) might convey an erroneous impression regarding the severity of the disease.

We analyzed a retrospective study of septic patients admitted to the internal medicine departments of a relatively large tertiary medical center, following admission to the ER. These patients had CRP concentrations of <31.9mg/L, the determined cut-off for CRP concentrations in a large cohort of apparently healthy individuals in the community (n = 17,214, upper limit of mean + 3 standard deviations).

By processing the electronic medical records, we found 2724 patients with a diagnosis of sepsis, 476 of whom had an admission CRP concentration of <31.9mg/L. Following further analysis of these records, we found that 34 of the 175 patients (19.4%) who fulfilled the definition of sepsis, died within 1 week of hospitalization. Of special interest was the finding that within <24 h, a significant increment from a median CRP of 16.1 mg/L (IQR 7.9–22.5) to 58.6 mg/L (IQR 24.2–134.4), ( $P < .001$ ) was noted, accompanied by a velocity change from  $0.4 \pm 0.29$  to  $8.3 \pm 24.2$  mg/L/h following antibiotic administration ( $P < .001$ ).

ER physicians should take into consideration that septic patients with a high in-hospital mortality rate can present with CRP concentrations that are within the range observed in apparently healthy individuals in the community. A second CRP test obtained within 24 h following antibiotic administration might influence attitudes regarding the severity of the disease.

**Abbreviations:** CRP = C-reactive protein, ER = emergency room, IQR = interquartile range, TAMCIS = Tel Aviv Medical Center Inflammation Survey, wr = wide range.

**Keywords:** C-reactive protein, immunosuppression, sepsis, velocity

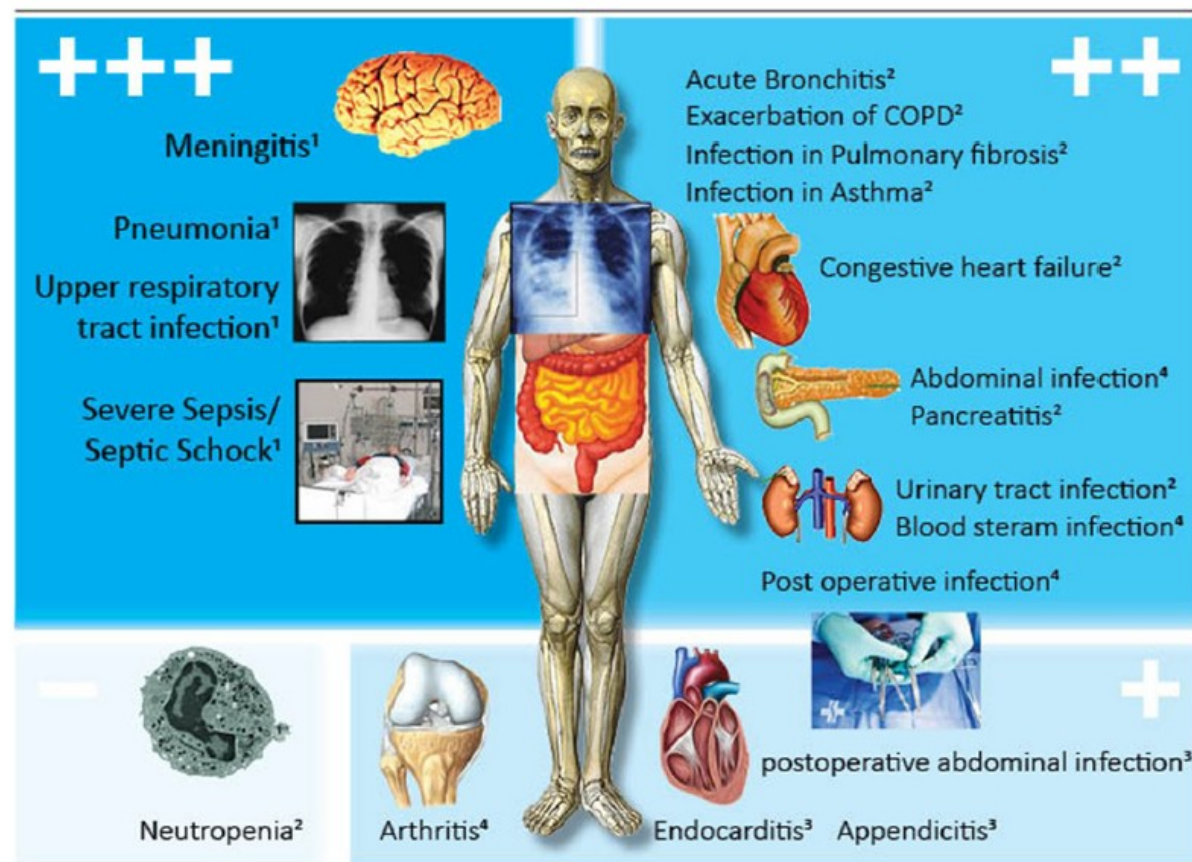
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# Procalcitonin-guided diagnosis and antibiotic stewardship revisited

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**Fig. 1** Summary of evidence regarding procalcitonin (PCT) for diagnosis and antibiotic stewardship in organ-related infections. While for some infections, intervention studies have investigated benefit and harm of using PCT for diagnosis and antibiotic stewardship (*left side*), for other infections only results from diagnostic (observation) studies are available (*right side*). +: moderate evidence in favor of PCT; ++: good evidence in favor of PCT; +++: strong evidence in favor of PCT; -: no evidence in favor of PCT



# Role of procalcitonin in predicting etiology in bacteremic patients: Report from a large single-center experience

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day mortality in the three study groups. Differences were observed about PCT concentrations, that were higher in patients with GN etiology ( $26.1 \pm 14.2$  ng/mL), if compared to GP ( $6.9 \pm 4.5$  ng/mL) and to fungal ( $3.3 \pm 2.4$  ng/mL) isolates. Conversely, similar mean values were reported for CRP in GN, GP, and fungal etiology.

The main findings of this analysis confirm recent data on bacteremic patients with proven GN bacteremia, where higher PCT concentrations have a significant role to predict GN etiology, if compared with patients with GP bacteremia or fungal infection.

**Table 4**

Logistic regression analysis about CRP and PCT values in predicting positivity of BC for Gram-negative strains and enterobacteriaceae.

Gram-negative	OR	CI 95%	<i>p</i>
CRP > 5 mg/L	1.89	0.53–6.73	0.32
PCT > 0.5 ng/mL	3.12	0.62–15.71	0.16
PCT > 2 ng/mL	0.73	0.41–1.29	0.28
PCT > 10 ng/mL	3.84	2.18–6.75	<b>&lt;0.001</b>
Enterobacteriaceae			
CRP > 5 mg/L	1.65	0.41–6.69	0.48
PCT > 0.5 ng/mL	6.01	1.16–31.72	<b>0.03</b>
PCT > 2 ng/mL	2.52	1.28–3.96	<b>0.03</b>
PCT > 10 ng/mL	3.88	2.15–7.03	<b>&lt;0.001</b>

CRP: C-reactive protein; PCT: procalcitonin; BC: blood cultures.

In bold are reported p-value statistically significant.

# Predictive Value of Procalcitonin and Neutrophil-to-Lymphocyte Ratio Variations for Bloodstream Infection with Septic Shock

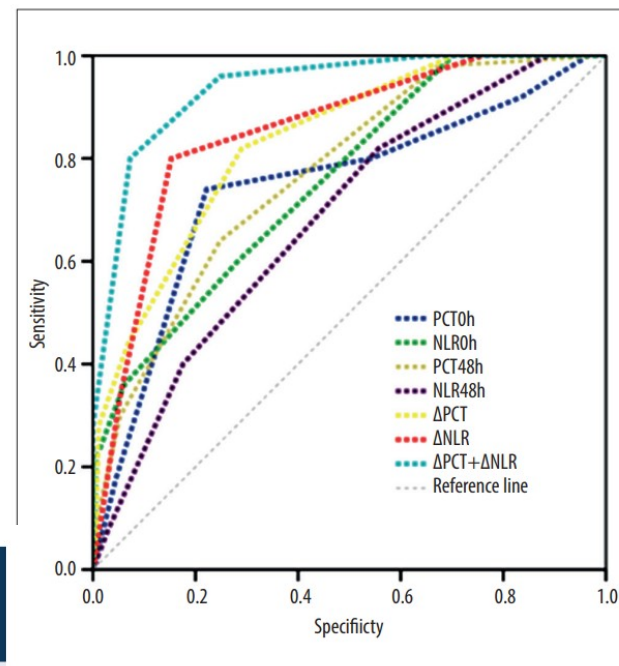
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This study found that  $\Delta$ PCT had good predictive performance for bloodstream infections complicated by septic shock and its performance was better than that of PCT, in disagreement with

stream infection are lacking. In this study, we compared the  $\Delta$ PCT and  $\Delta$ NLR of patients with bloodstream infections due to different pathogens and found that  $\Delta$ PCT and  $\Delta$ NLR levels of patients with gram-negative bacterial infections with shock were significantly higher than those of non-shock patients, thereby indicating a higher predictive value for septic shock. However,  $\Delta$ PCT and  $\Delta$ NLR in patients with gram-positive bacteremia showed no statistically significant difference between shock and non-shock patients. This may be related to



**Figure 1.** Performance of variables in predicting septic shock in patients with bloodstream infection. (SPSS version 22.0, IBM Corp., USA).

Index	Gram-positive cocci			Gram-negative bacilli		
	Shock group (n=35)	Non-shock group (n=34)	P value	Shock group (n=45)	Non-shock group (n=32)	P value
$\Delta$ PCT	0.446 (0.194, 1.036)	0.346 (0.120, 0.732)	0.067	0.606 (0.246, 5.038)	0.312 (0.172, 0.806)	0.001
$\Delta$ NLR	0.573 (0.213, 2.078)	0.417 (0.101, 0.895)	0.154	0.872 (0.309, 7.061)	0.508 (0.314, 0.975)	0.042

$\Delta$ PCT=[(PCT48h-PCT0h)/PCT0h];  $\Delta$ NLR=[(NLR48h-NLR0h)/NLR0h].

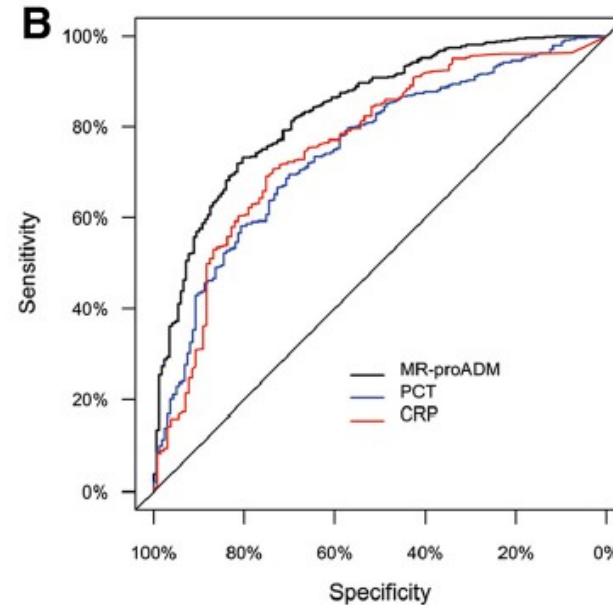
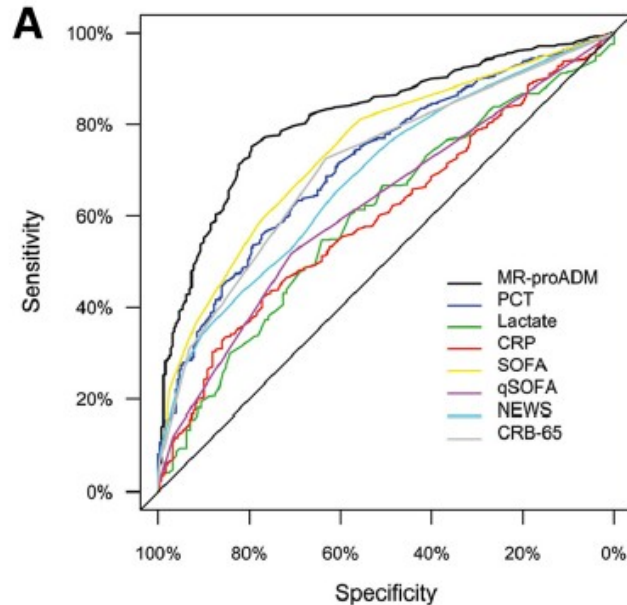
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# The early identification of disease progression in patients with suspected infection presenting to the emergency department: a multi-centre derivation and validation study

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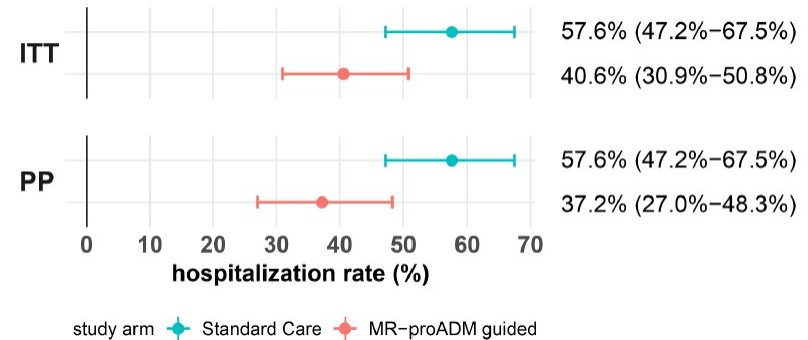
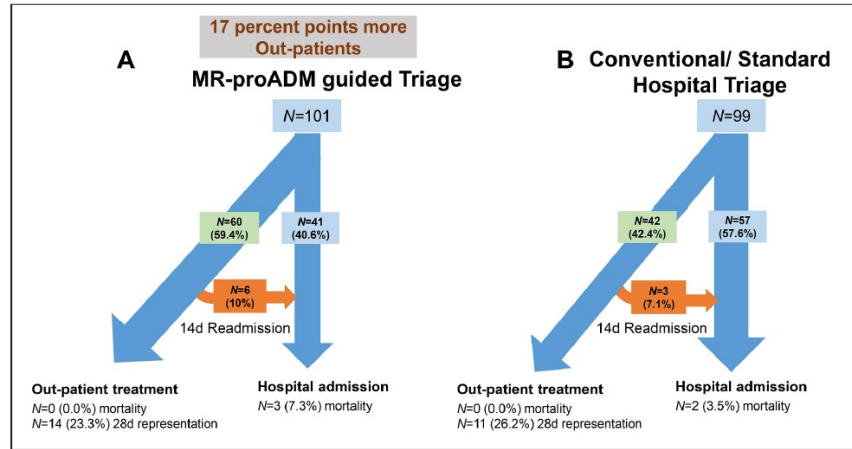
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## Midregional proadrenomedullin safely reduces hospitalization in a low severity cohort with infections in the ED: a randomized controlled multi-centre interventional pilot study



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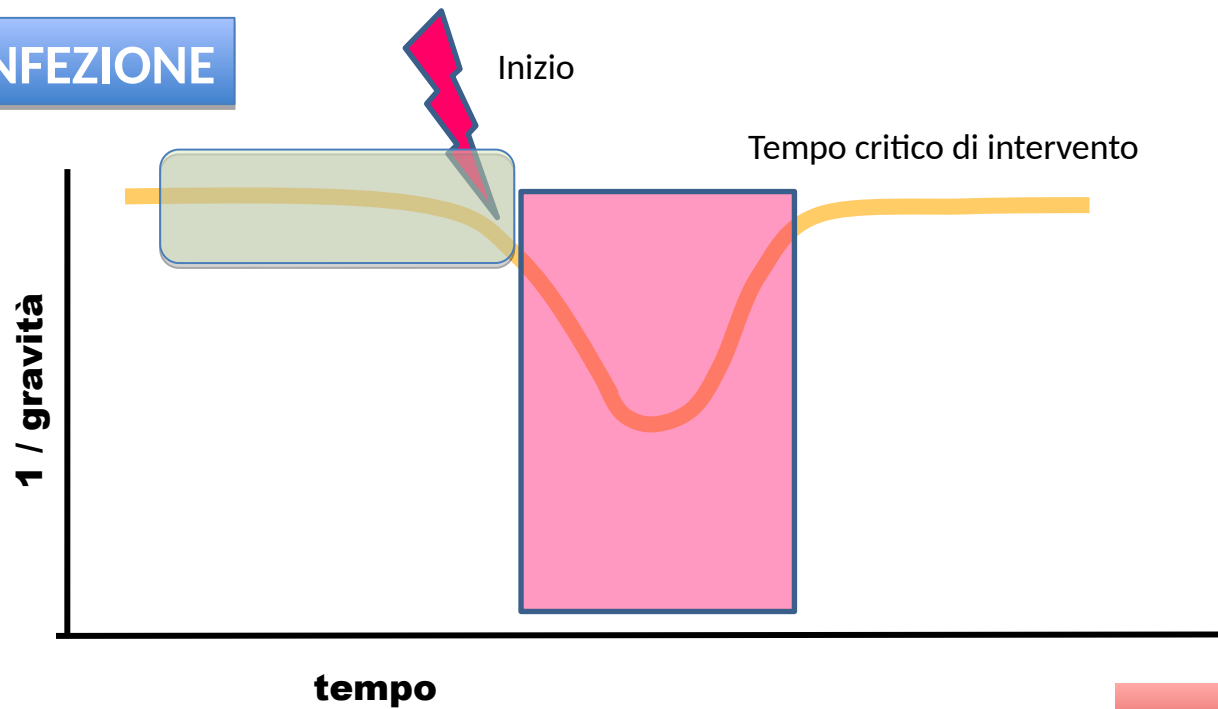
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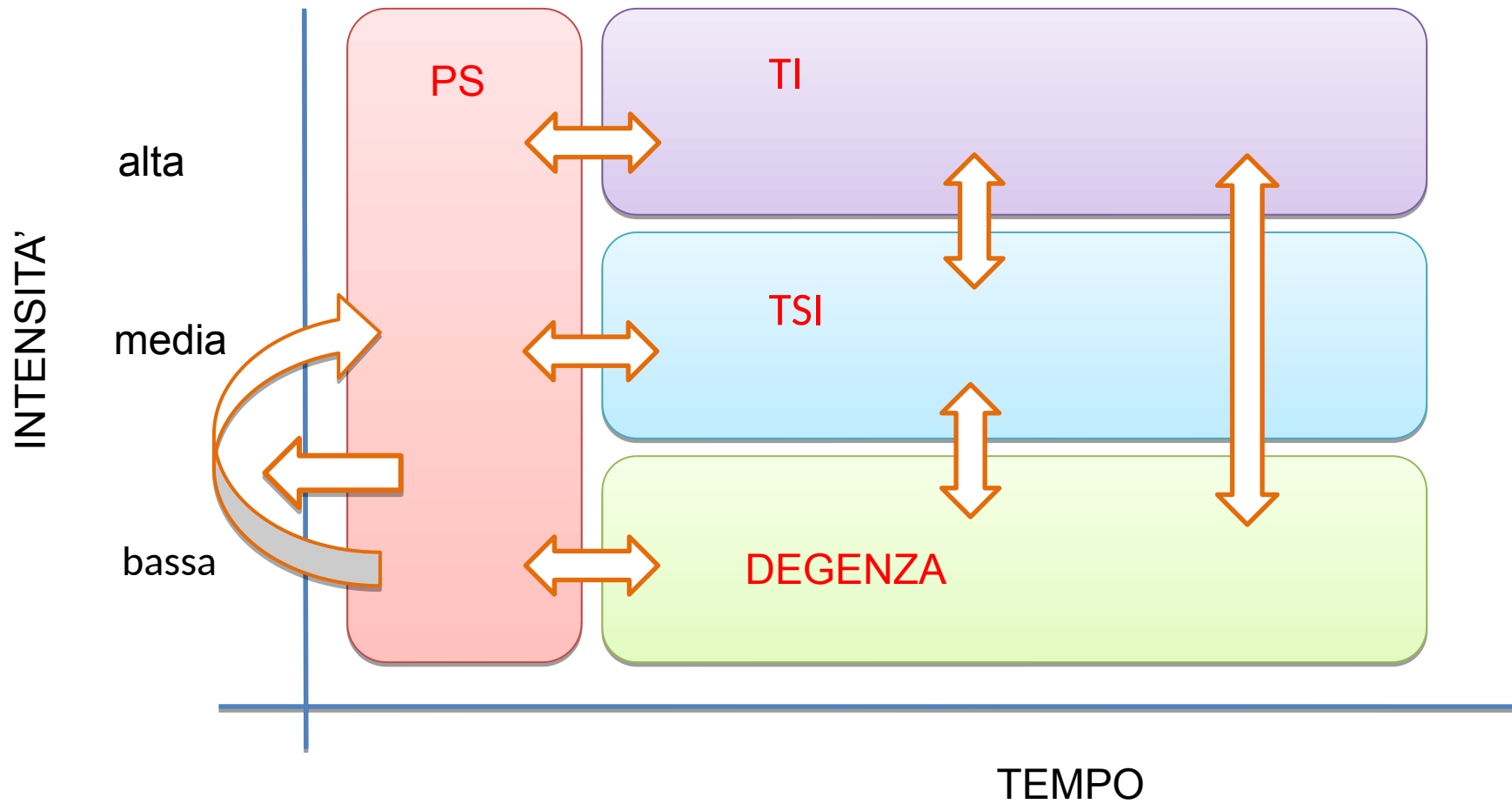
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- Tempo di permanenza in PS non superiore alle 6 ore
- Accoglimento in struttura adeguata (monitoraggio – terapia)
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