

黴菌感染之診斷與治療

臺中榮總 感染科

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Distribution of patients with IA:

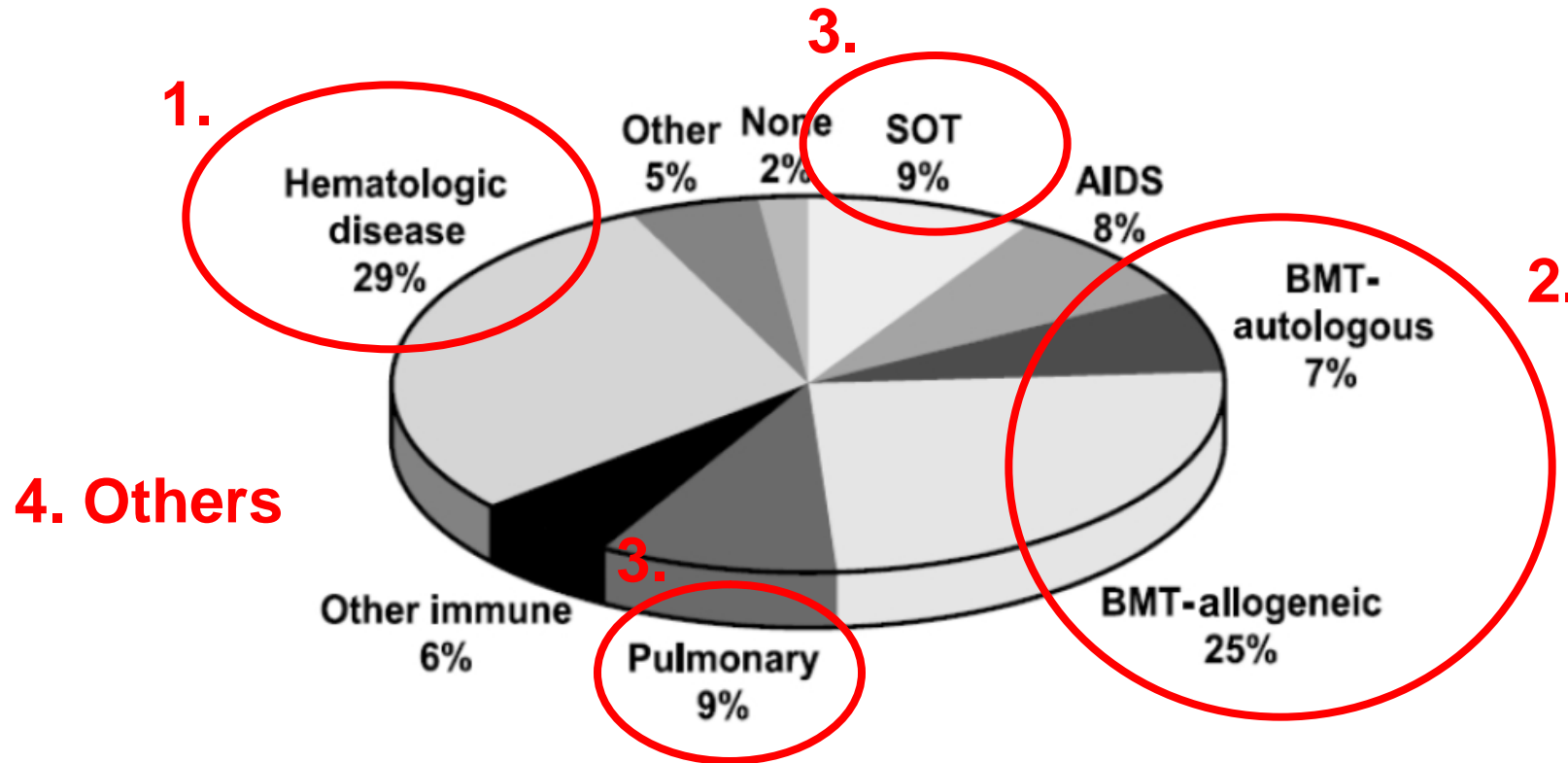


Figure 3. Underlying disease in 595 patients with invasive aspergillosis [19]. BMT, bone marrow transplant; SOT, solid-organ transplant.

一半以上的IA發生在非血液腫瘤科病人入住ICU

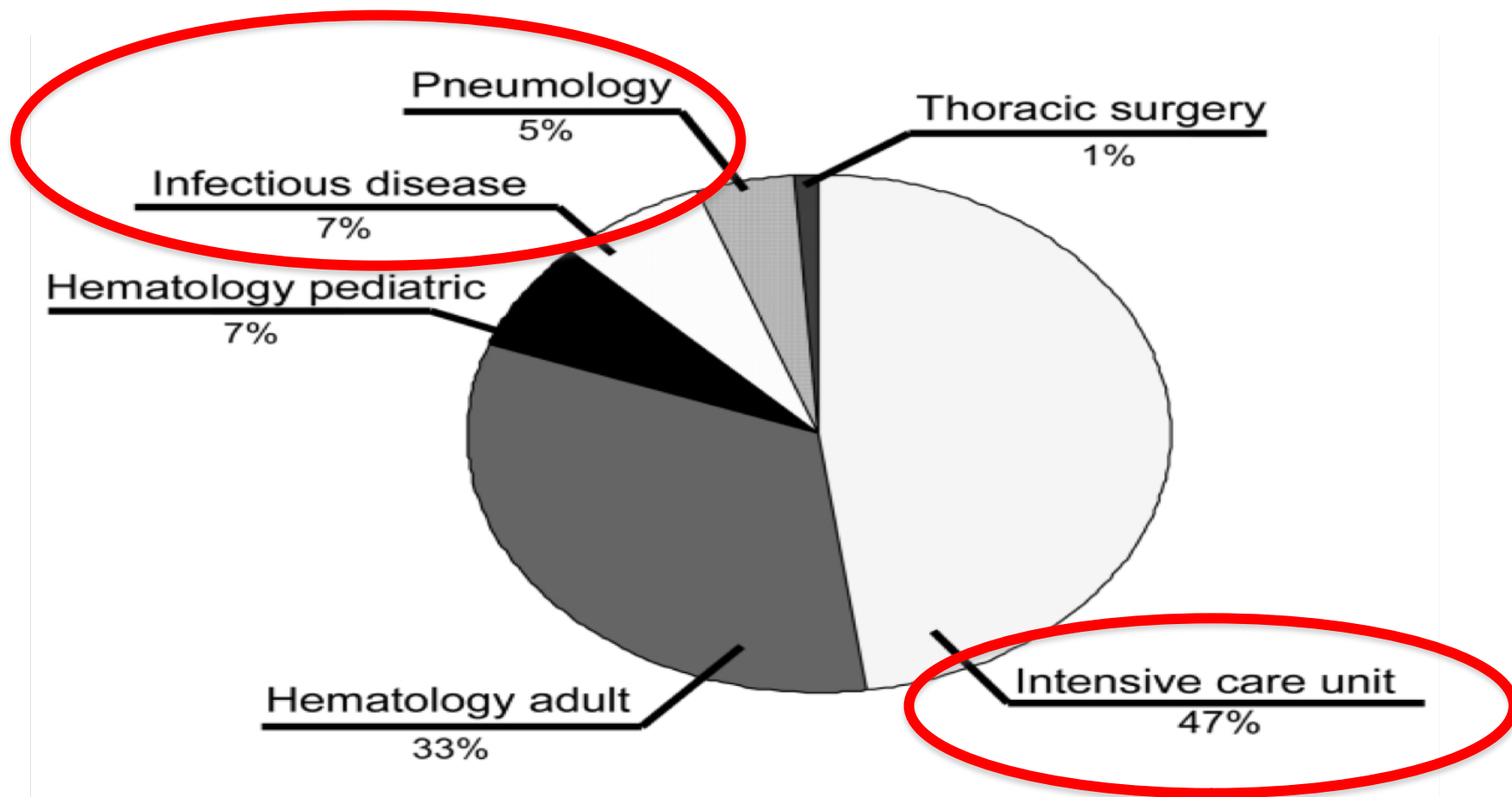
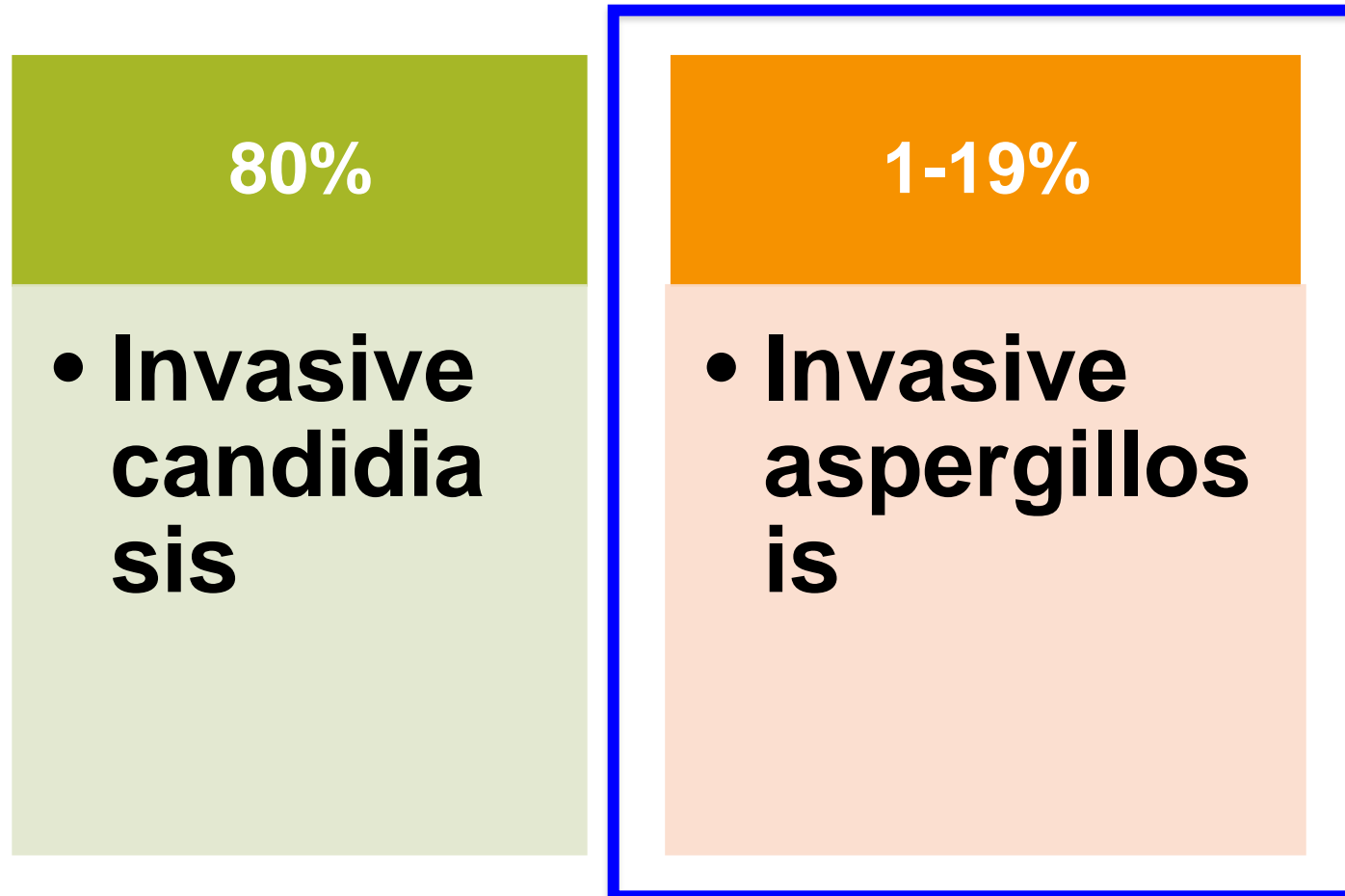


Figure 1. Distribution of invasive aspergillosis cases, by hospital ward.

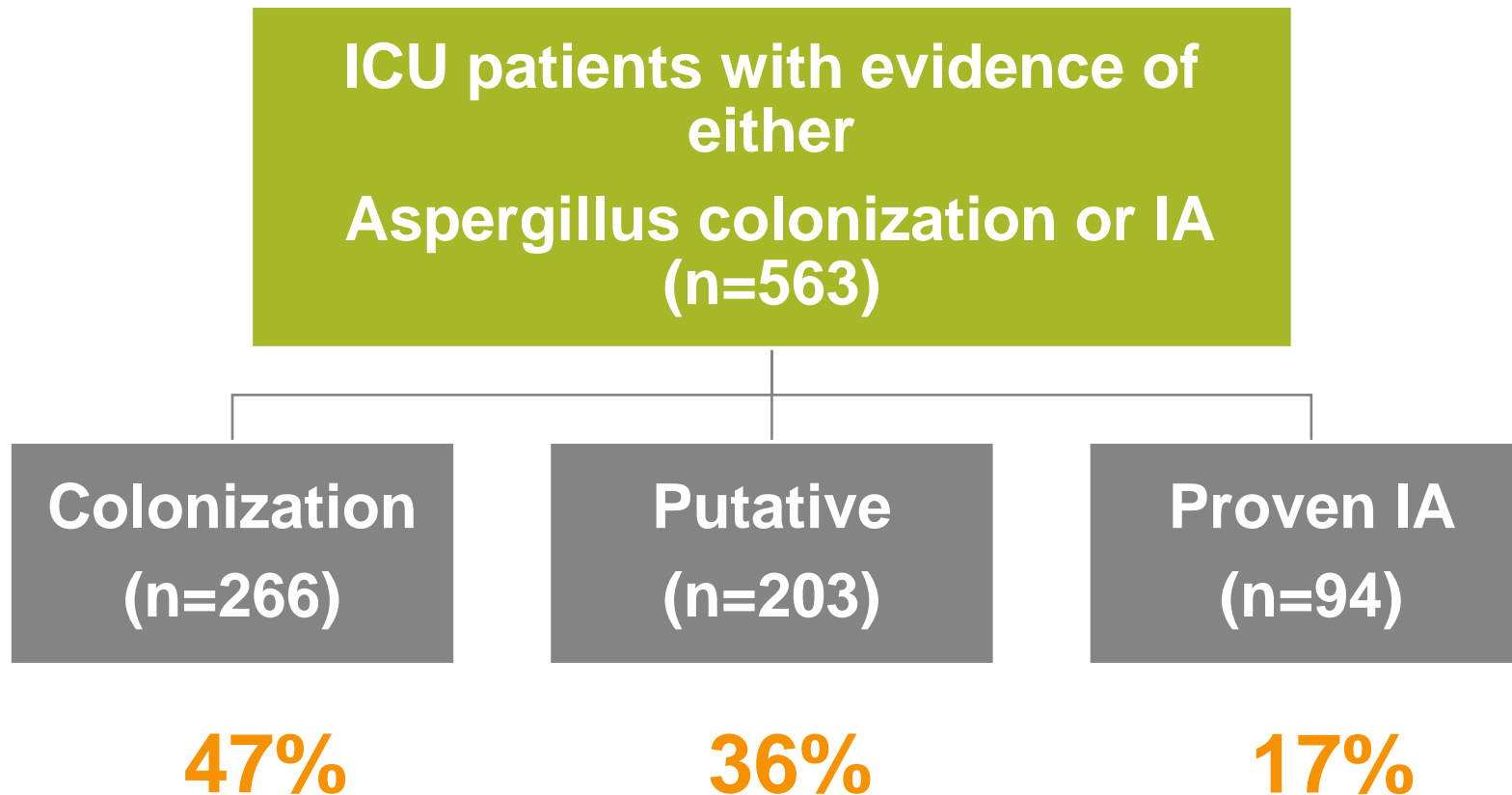
Invasive fungal diseases (IFDs) in ICU



診斷工具，疾病定義

AspICU Study

A total of 563 patients from 30 ICUs in 8 countries (Belgium, France, Brazil, China, Spain, Greece, India and Portugal), 2000-2011



在ICU，肺部是最主要IA感染部位(92%)

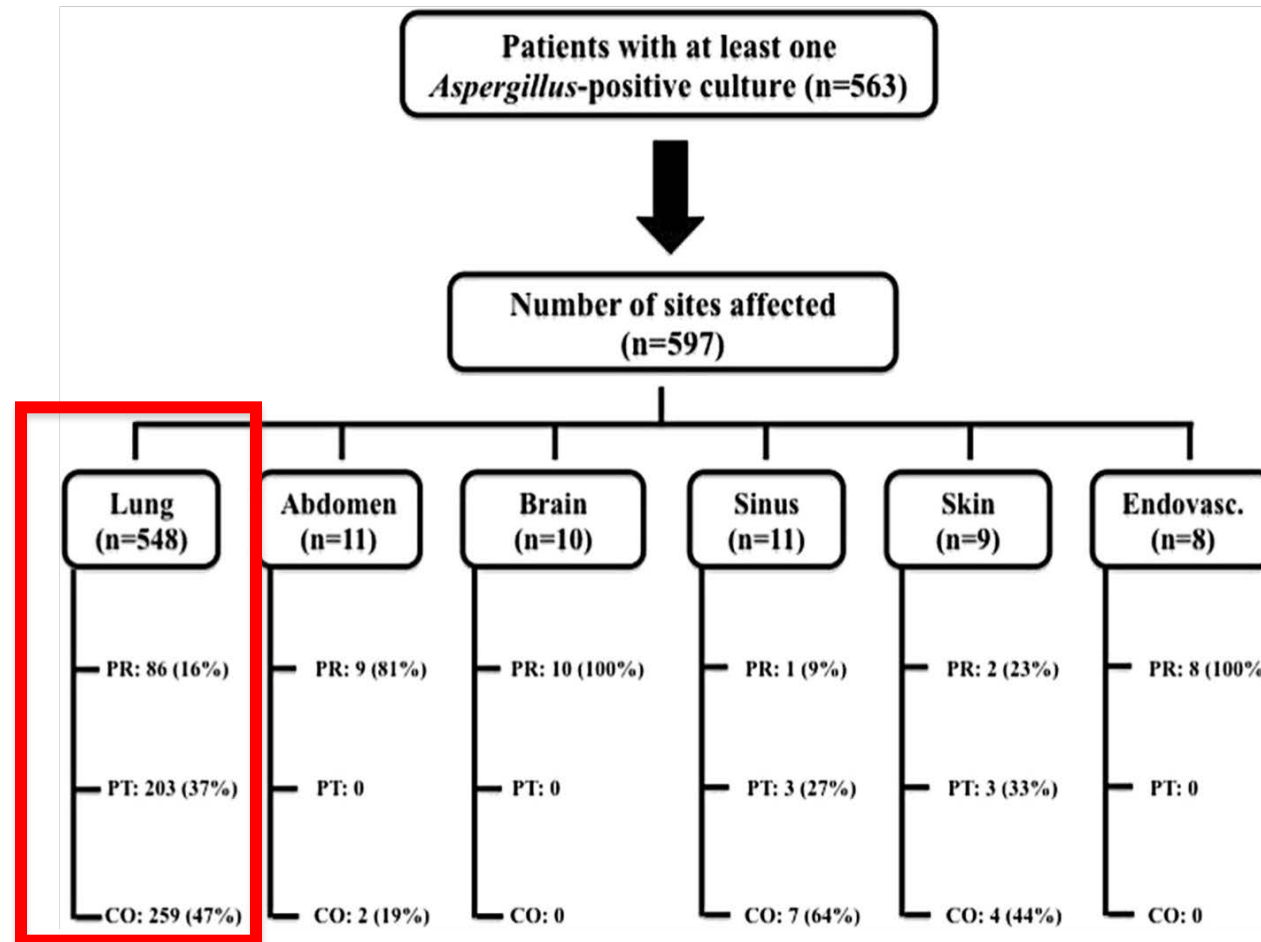
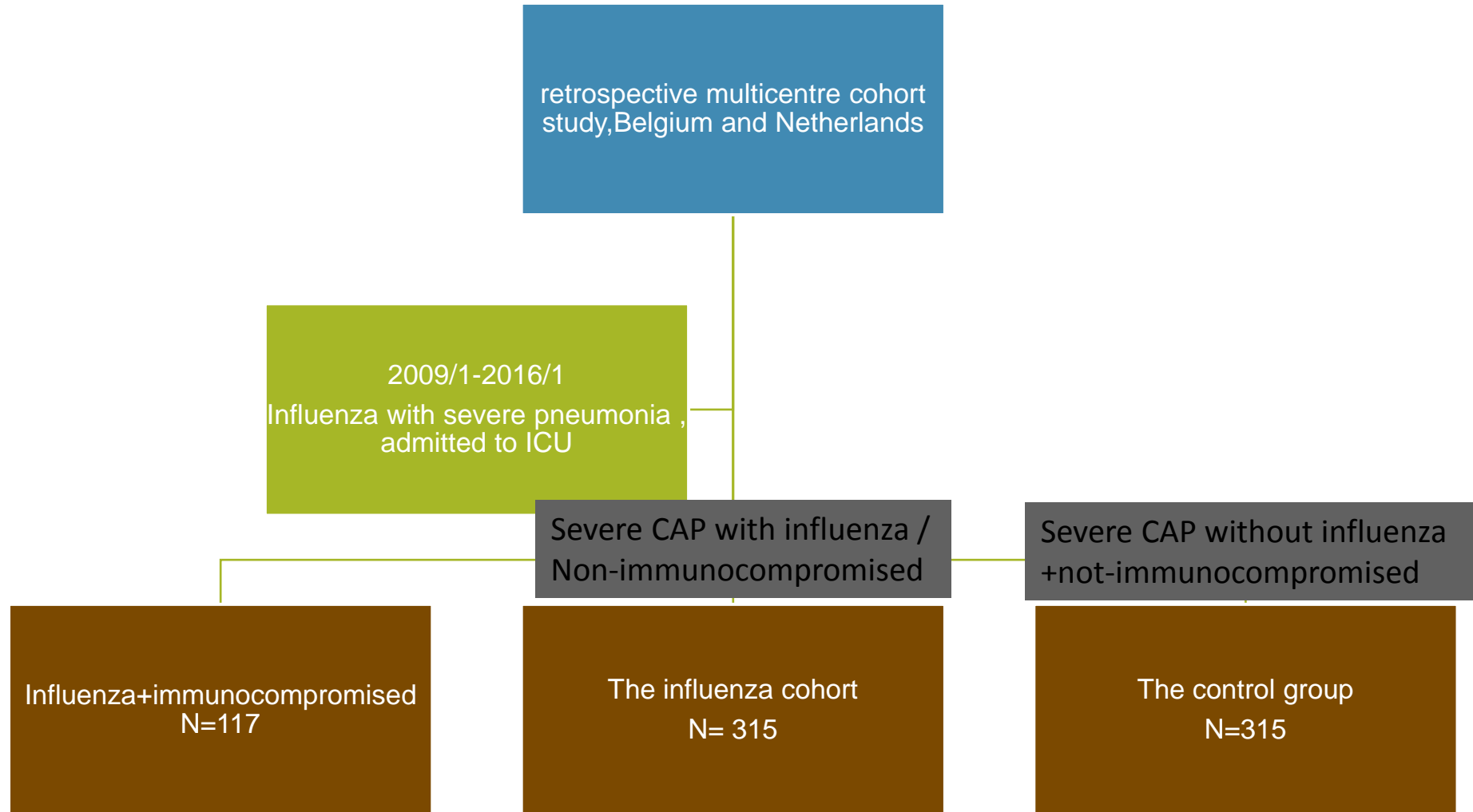
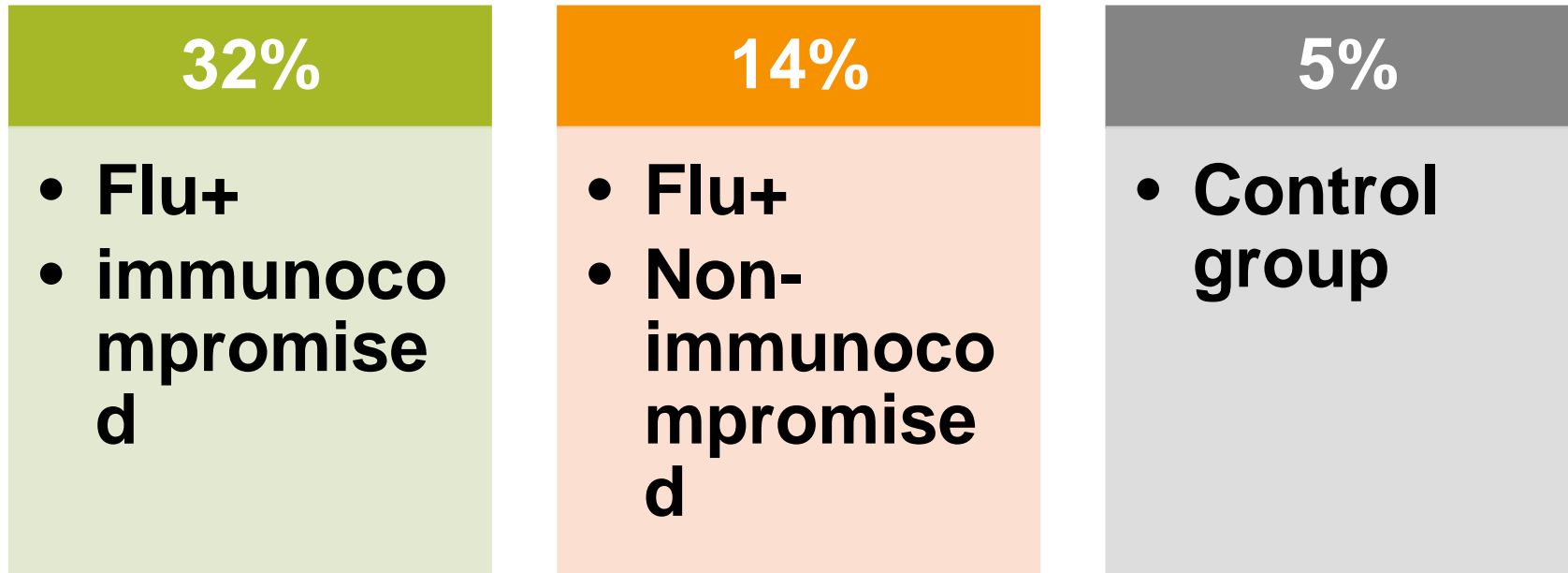


Figure 1 Number of sites affected by *Aspergillus* spp for the different diagnostic categories. Patients who had multiple sites positive for *Aspergillus* spp were counted more than once. CO, Colonization; PR, Proven; PT, Putative. Data are reported as number (%).

Invasive aspergillosis in patients admitted to ICU



Incidence of Invasive pulmonary aspergillosis



90-days mortality after ICU admission

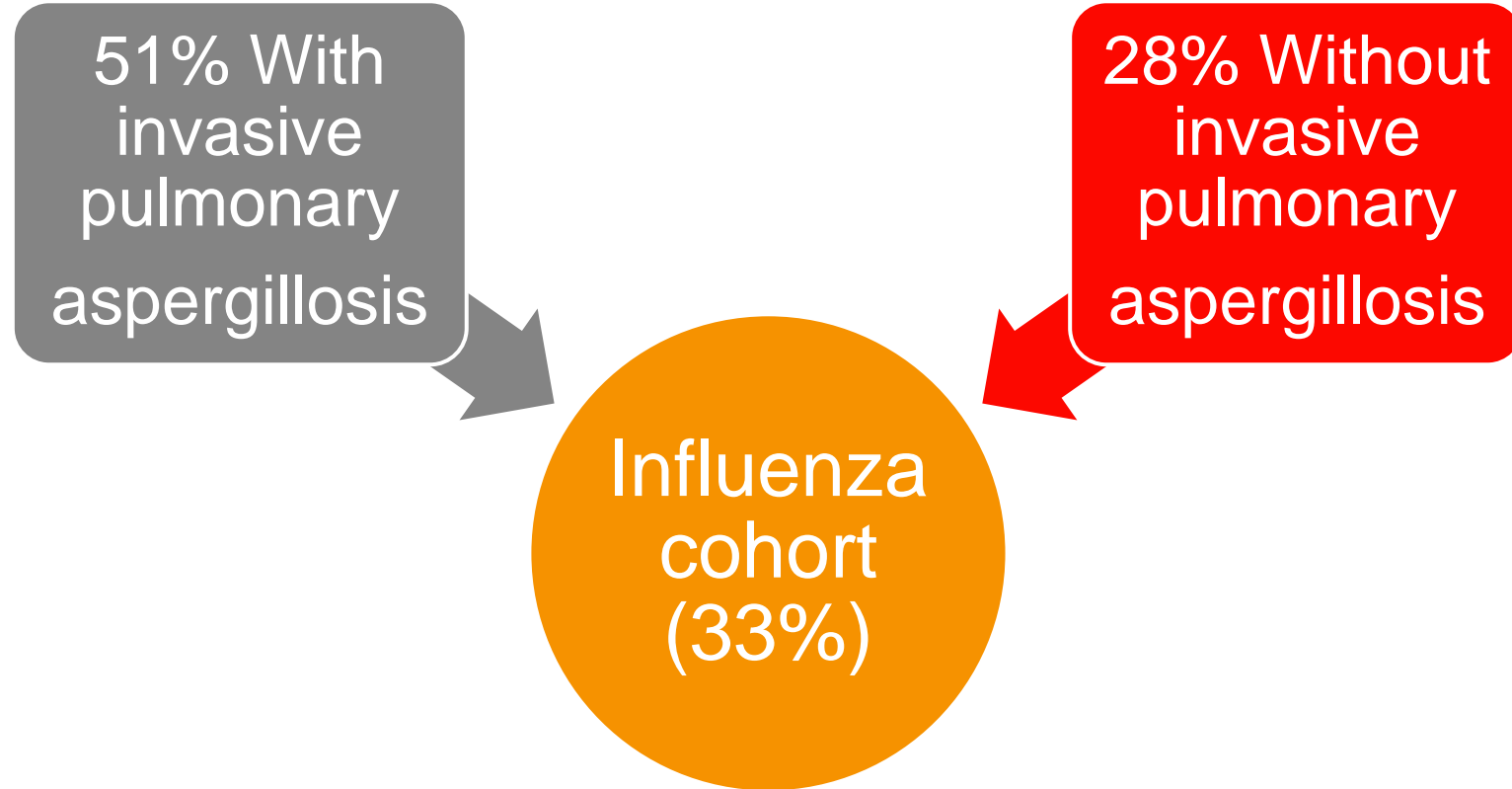


Table 2 Risk factors for IPA in ICU patients

1. High risk

Neutropenia ($500/\text{mm}^3$)

Hematological malignancy

Allogeneic HSCT

2. Intermediate risk

Prolonged treatment with corticosteroids before admission to the ICU

Autologous HSCT

COPD

Liver cirrhosis

Solid organ cancer

HIV infection

Lung transplantation

Systemic immunosuppressive therapy

Post influenza, post COVID-19

3. Low risk

Severe burns

Solid organ transplant

Steroid treatment for >7 days

Prolonged stay in the ICU (>21 days)

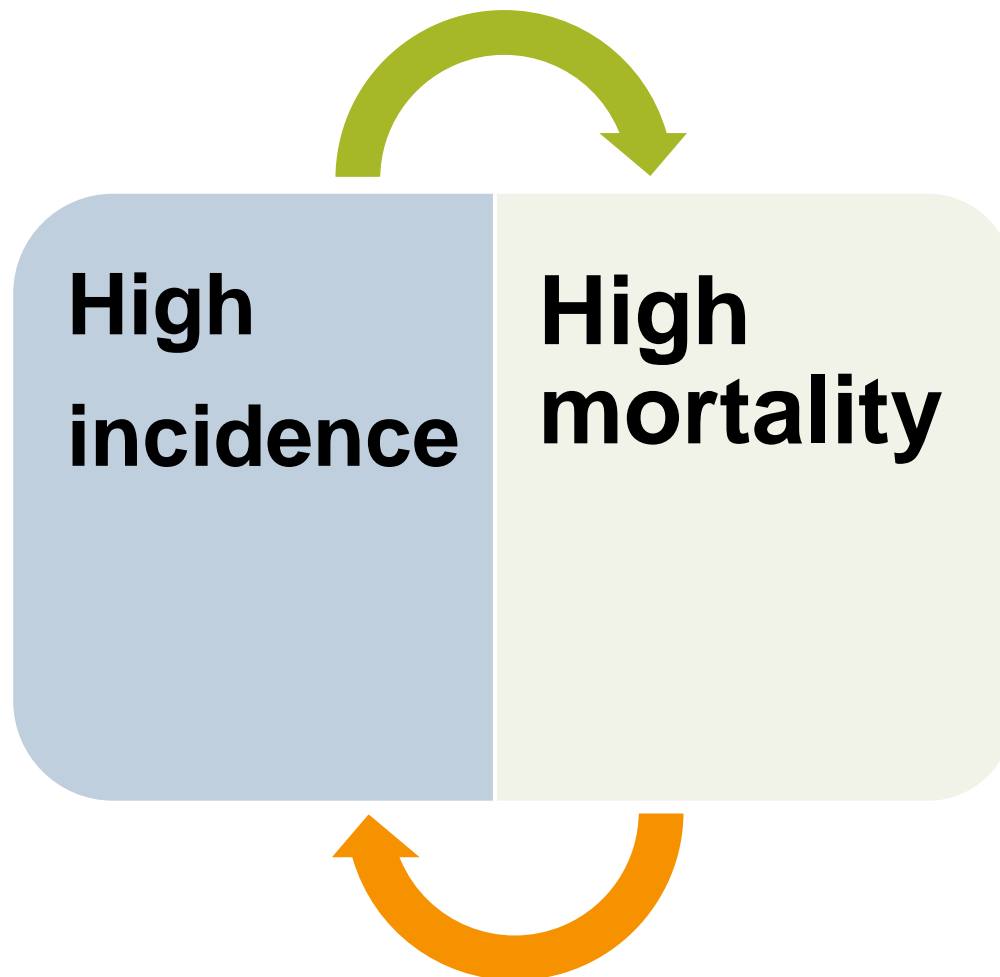
Malnutrition

Post cardiac surgery

Near drowning

IA in ICU

我們常常忽略了黴菌感染的可能性!

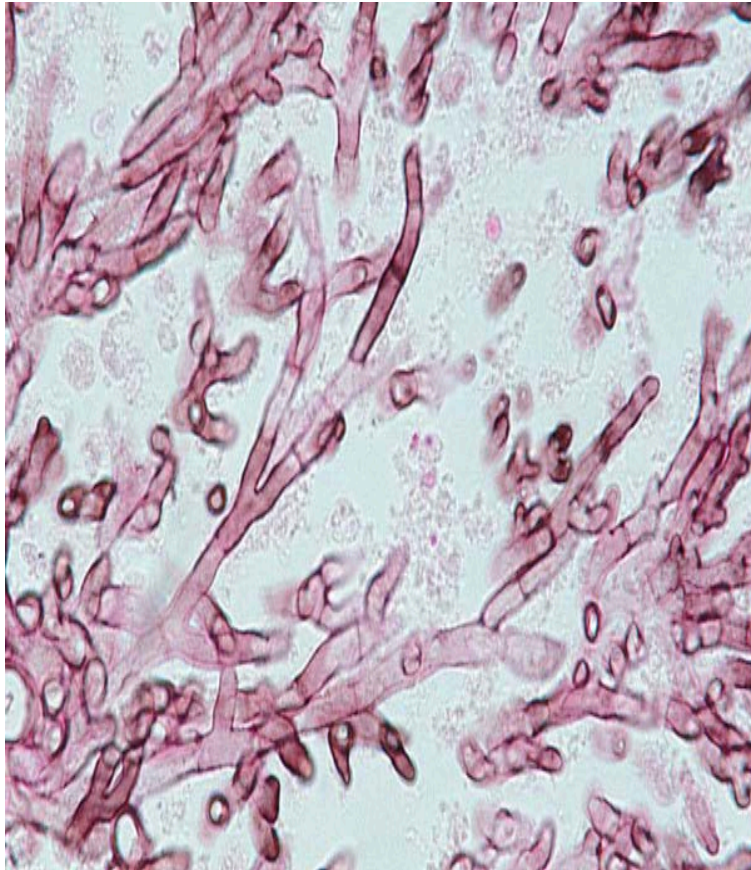


我們的挑戰



Proven invasive fungal infections

組織病理證據hyphae



新增tissue fungal PCR

Tissue Nucleic Acid
Diagnosis

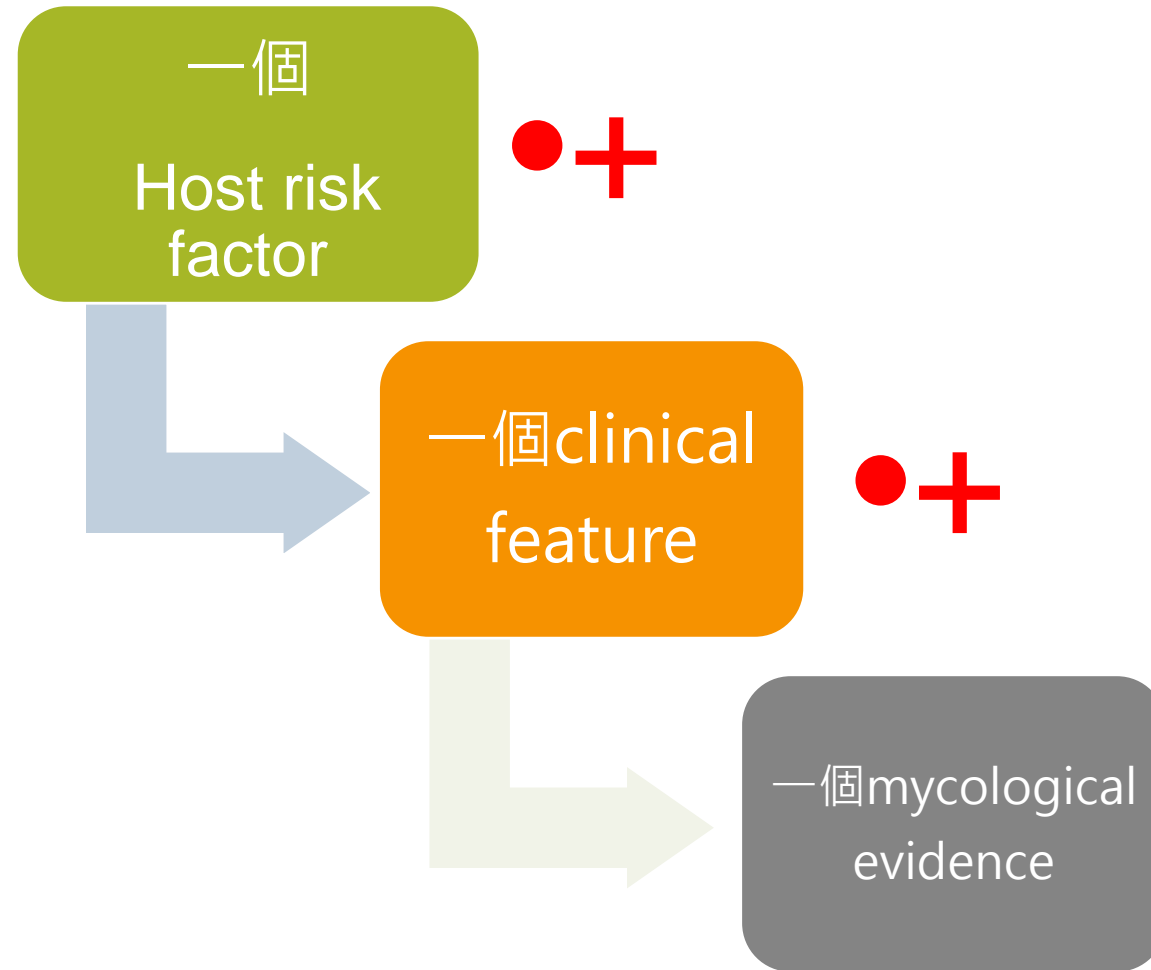
Amplification of fungal
DNA by PCR
combined with DNA
sequencing when
molds are seen
in formalin-fixed
paraffin-embedded
tissue

Excluding excluding BAL fluid, a paranasal or mastoid sinus cavity specimen,
and urine

Clinical Infectious Diseases[®] 2020;71(6):1367–76

Clin Infect Dis. 2008 June 15; 46(12): 1813–1821

Probable invasive fungal infection



Host factors

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Recent history of neutropenia ($<0.5 \times 10^9$ neutrophils/L [<500 neutrophils/ mm^3] for >10 days) temporally related to the onset of invasive fungal disease

Hematologic malignancy^a

Receipt of an allogeneic stem cell transplant

Receipt of a solid organ transplant

Prolonged use of corticosteroids (excluding among patients with allergic bronchopulmonary aspergillosis) at a therapeutic dose of ≥ 0.3 mg/kg corticosteroids for ≥ 3 weeks in the past 60 days

Treatment with other recognized T-cell immunosuppressants, such as calcineurin inhibitors, tumor necrosis factor- α blockers, lymphocyte-specific monoclonal antibodies, immunosuppressive nucleoside analogues during the past 90 days

Treatment with recognized B-cell immunosuppressants, such as Bruton's tyrosine kinase inhibitors, eg, ibrutinib

Inherited severe immunodeficiency (such as chronic granulomatous disease, STAT 3 deficiency, or severe combined immunodeficiency)

Acute graft-versus-host disease grade III or IV involving the gut, lungs, or liver that is refractory to first-line treatment with steroids

Clinical features

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Pulmonary aspergillosis

The presence of 1 of the following 4 patterns on CT:

Dense, well-circumscribed lesions(s) with or without a halo sign

Air crescent sign

Cavity

Wedge-shaped and segmental or lobar consolidation

Mycological evidence

Culture

Any mold, for example, *Aspergillus*, *Fusarium*, *Scedosporium* species or Mucorales recovered by culture from sputum, BAL, bronchial brush, or aspirate

Microscopical detection of fungal elements in sputum, BAL, bronchial brush, or aspirate indicating a mold

GM

Aspergillosis only

Galactomannan antigen

Antigen detected in plasma, serum, BAL, or CSF

Any 1 of the following:

Single serum or plasma: ≥ 1.0

BAL fluid: ≥ 1.0

Single serum or plasma: ≥ 0.7 and BAL fluid ≥ 0.8

CSF: ≥ 1.0

PCR

Aspergillus PCR

Any 1 of the following:

Plasma, serum, or whole blood 2 or more consecutive PCR tests positive

BAL fluid 2 or more duplicate PCR tests positive

At least 1 PCR test positive in plasma, serum, or whole blood and 1 PCR test positive in BAL fluid

2016 guidelines for the use of antifungal agents

Table 3 Summary of recommendations for the treatment of invasive aspergillosis (IA).

Diagnosis	Primary	Alternative ^a	Comments
Invasive pulmonary aspergillosis (IPA)	Voriconazole ^b (S/H)	L-AmB ^c (S/M) AmB-d ^d (S/M) Itraconazole ^e (W/M) Posaconazole ^f (W/M) Echinocandin ^g (W/M)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Primary combination therapy is not routinely recommended.</u> <u>Treatment is continued for a minimum of 6–12 weeks and vary by site of disease, evidence of disease improvement, degree and duration of immunosuppression (S/L).</u> <u>Surgical intervention recommended, if feasible, for pulmonary lesions in proximity to great vessels or pericardium, invasion of chest wall from contiguous pulmonary lesion, emphysema, and persistent hemoptysis from a single cavitory lesion (S/M).</u>

- 1. Intravenous, or po, voriconazole 400 mg (6 mg/kg) every 12 h for two doses on day 1 (loading), then 200 mg (4 mg/kg) every 12 h**
- 2. Liposomal amphotericin B 3-5 mg/kg iv daily**

2016 guidelines for the use of antifungal agents

Invasive sinonasal aspergillosis	Similar to IPA	Similar to IPA	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Initial therapy with polyene should be considered in <u>the presence of risks or evidences suggestive of mucormycosis until excluded otherwise.</u>2. Surgical debridement should be considered as adjunctive treatment to antifungal therapy if possible (S/M).
Tracheobronchial aspergillosis	Similar to IPA	Similar to IPA	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Therapy with aerosolized polyene for inhalation remains investigational and non-standardized.
CNS aspergillosis	Voriconazole (S/M)	L-AmB (S/M)	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Surgical resection of the infected tissue if feasible.2. Be aware of drug interactions between anticonvulsants and triazoles.3. Combination therapy may be considered in selected patients with proven or probable IA.

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2016 guidelines for the use of antifungal agents

Paranasal sinuses > lung > brain > skin

DM: Rhinocerebral mucormycosis

Pulmonary mucormycosis most common in hematologic malignancies

Table 4 Summary of recommendations for the treatment of mucormycosis.

Diagnosis or status of the hosts	Primary	Alternative ^a	Comments
Invasive mucormycosis			Management should include antifungal therapy, control of underlying conditions and <u>surgery</u> . (S/M)
CNS	L-AmB (S/M) ^b	AmB-d (S/M) ^c Posaconazole ^d (S/M)	
Others	AmB-d (S/M)	L-AmB (S/M) Posaconazole ^d (S/M)	<u>Surgical resection</u> of the infected tissue is mandatory (S/M) but not recommended in disseminated cases. (W/L)

2016 guidelines for the use of antifungal agents

- When facing breakthrough infections or treatment failures:
 - ✓ review the evidence of IA
 - ✓ test antifungal susceptibility
 - ✓ review potential interacting drugs
 - ✓ perform therapeutic drug monitoring
 - ✓ reduce doses of immunosuppression if feasible
 - ✓ surgical resection of necrotic tissue
 - ✓ diagnostic approach for potential new etiology
 - ✓ switch to a different class of antifungal agent or combination therapy

Therapeutic drug monitoring (TDM)

- **Wild type phenotype:**
 - ✓ Target plasma trough voriconazole concentrations of ≥ 1.5 – 2 mg/L
 - ✓ higher exposures (> 5.5 mg/L) increasing the risk of (neuro)toxicity
- Higher trough concentrations (> 2 mg/L) are recommended for treatment of pathogens with **elevated MICs** (e.g., > 0.25 mg/L)

Isavuconazole in IA: SECURE study

Phase 3, double-blind, global multicentre, comparative-group study

Aged ≥ 18 years with proven, probable or possible IMD caused by *Aspergillus* spp. or other filamentous fungi

Isavuconazole
(n=258)

200 mg IV TID for 2 days, followed by 200 mg IV or orally QD

Voriconazole
(n=258)

6 mg/kg IV BID on Day 1, then 4 mg/kg IV BID on Day 2, then either 4 mg/kg IV BID or 200 mg orally BID

All-cause mortality: voriconazole相當

isavuconazole 與

	Isavuconazole	Voriconazole	Adjusted treatment difference (95% CI)*
All-cause mortality			
ITT population	258	258	
Day 42 all-cause mortality	48 (19%)	52 (20%)	-1.0% (-7.8 to 5.7)
Deaths	45 (17%)	50 (19%)	..
Unknown survival status†	3 (1%)	2 (1%)	..
Day 84 all-cause mortality	75 (29%)	80 (31%)	-1.4% (-9.2 to 6.3)
Deaths	72 (28%)	75 (29%)	..
Unknown survival status†	3 (1%)	5 (2%)	..

臨床治療反應(包含mycological, image response) : isavuconazole 與voriconazole相當

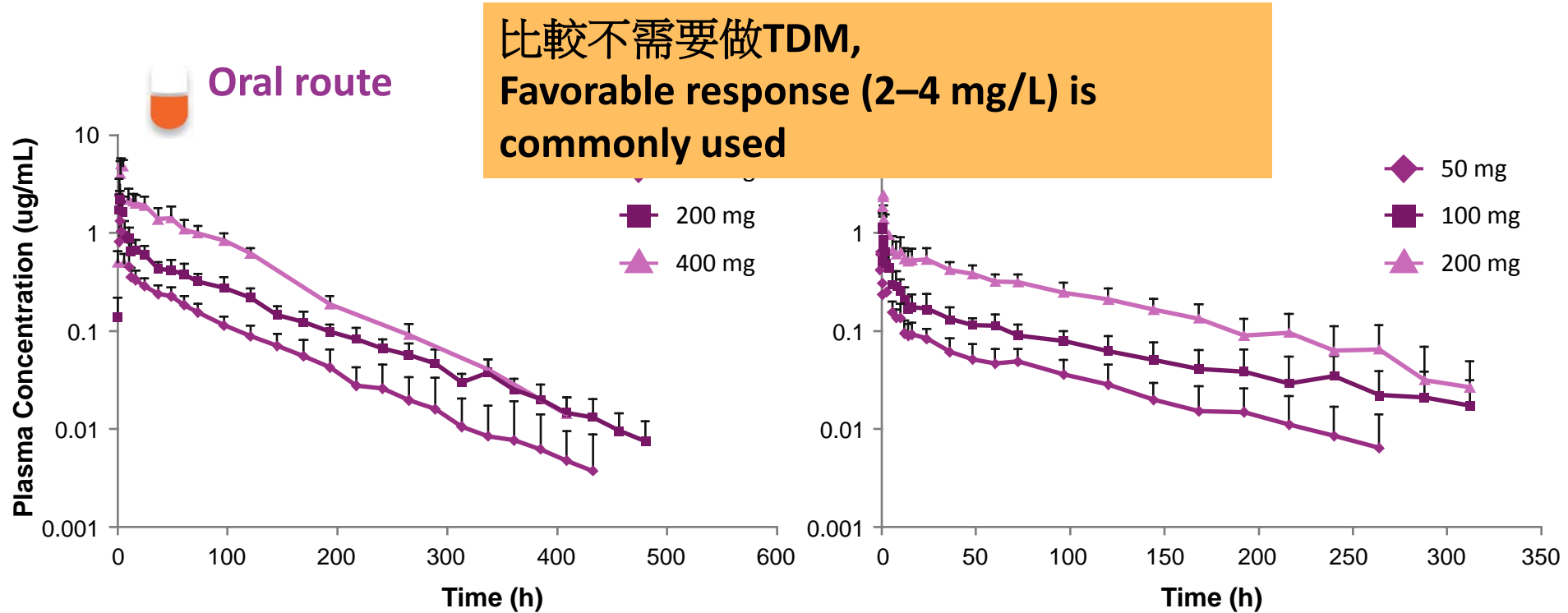
	Isavuconazole	Voriconazole	Adjusted treatment difference (95% CI)*
DRC-assessed response (mITT population)			
Overall response at EOT§	143	129	
Success	50 (35%)	47 (36%)	1.6% (-9.3 to 12.6)
Complete	17 (12%)	13 (10%)	..
Partial	33 (23%)	34 (26%)	..
Failure¶	93 (65%)	82 (64%)	..
Stable	42 (29%)	33 (26%)	..
Progression	51 (36%)	49 (38%)	..
Clinical response at EOT§	85/137 (62%)	73/121 (60%)	0.4% (-10.6 to 11.5)
Mycological response at EOT§	54/143 (38%)	53/129 (41%)	3.8% (-7.4 to 15.1)
Radiological response at EOT§	41/141 (29%)	42/127 (33%)	5.7% (-4.9 to 16.3)

藥物副作用

	Isavuconazole (n=257)	Voriconazole (n=259)	p value
Overall	247 (96%)	255 (98%)	0.122
Gastrointestinal disorders	174 (68%)	180 (69%)	0.705
Infections and infestations	152 (59%)	158 (61%)	0.719
General disorders and administrative site conditions	148 (58%)	144 (56%)	0.658
Respiratory, thoracic, and mediastinal disorders	143 (56%)	147 (57%)	0.859
Metabolism and nutrition disorders	108 (42%)	121 (47%)	0.289
Nervous system disorders	95 (37%)	89 (34%)	0.582
Skin and subcutaneous tissue disorders*	86 (33%)	110 (42%)	0.037¶
Investigations (abnormal laboratory tests)	85 (33%)	90 (37%)	0.557
Blood and lymphatic system disorders	77 (30%)	82 (32%)	0.703
Psychiatric disorders†	70 (27%)	86 (33%)	0.151
Musculoskeletal and connective tissue disorders	69 (27%)	77 (30%)	0.495
Vascular disorders	67 (26%)	77 (30%)	0.378
Renal and urinary disorders	55 (21%)	58 (22%)	0.832
Cardiac disorders	43 (17%)	57 (22%)	0.148
Eye disorders‡	39 (15%)	69 (27%)	0.002¶
Injury, poisoning, and procedural complications	33 (13%)	39 (15%)	0.520
Hepatobiliary disorders§	23 (9%)	42 (16%)	0.016¶
Immune system disorders	22 (8%)	25 (10%)	0.533
Neoplasms benign, malignant and unspecified	19 (7%)	31 (12%)	0.101
Ear and labyrinth disorders	14 (5%)	13 (5%)	0.846
Reproductive system and breast disorders	8 (3%)	13 (5%)	0.373
Endocrine disorders	5 (2%)	3 (1%)	0.503
Congenital, familial, and genetic disorders	3 (1%)	2 (1%)	0.685
Social circumstances	0	1 (<1%)	>0.999

Isavuconazole具有線性可預測性的藥物動力學

CRESEMBA displays **linear and predictable pharmacokinetics**.

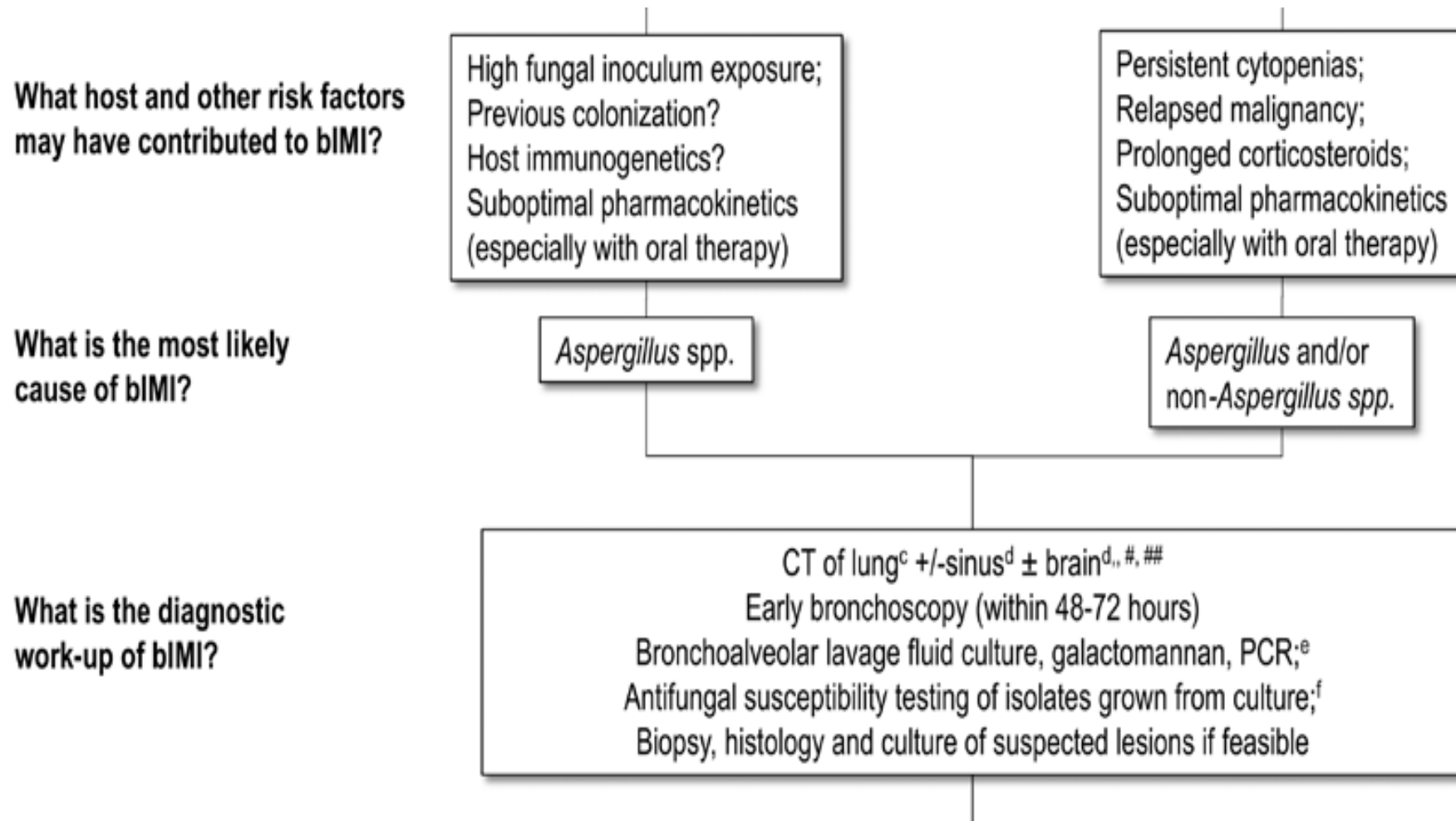


Plasma concentration in healthy volunteers after single dose CRESEMBA via oral and IV route.

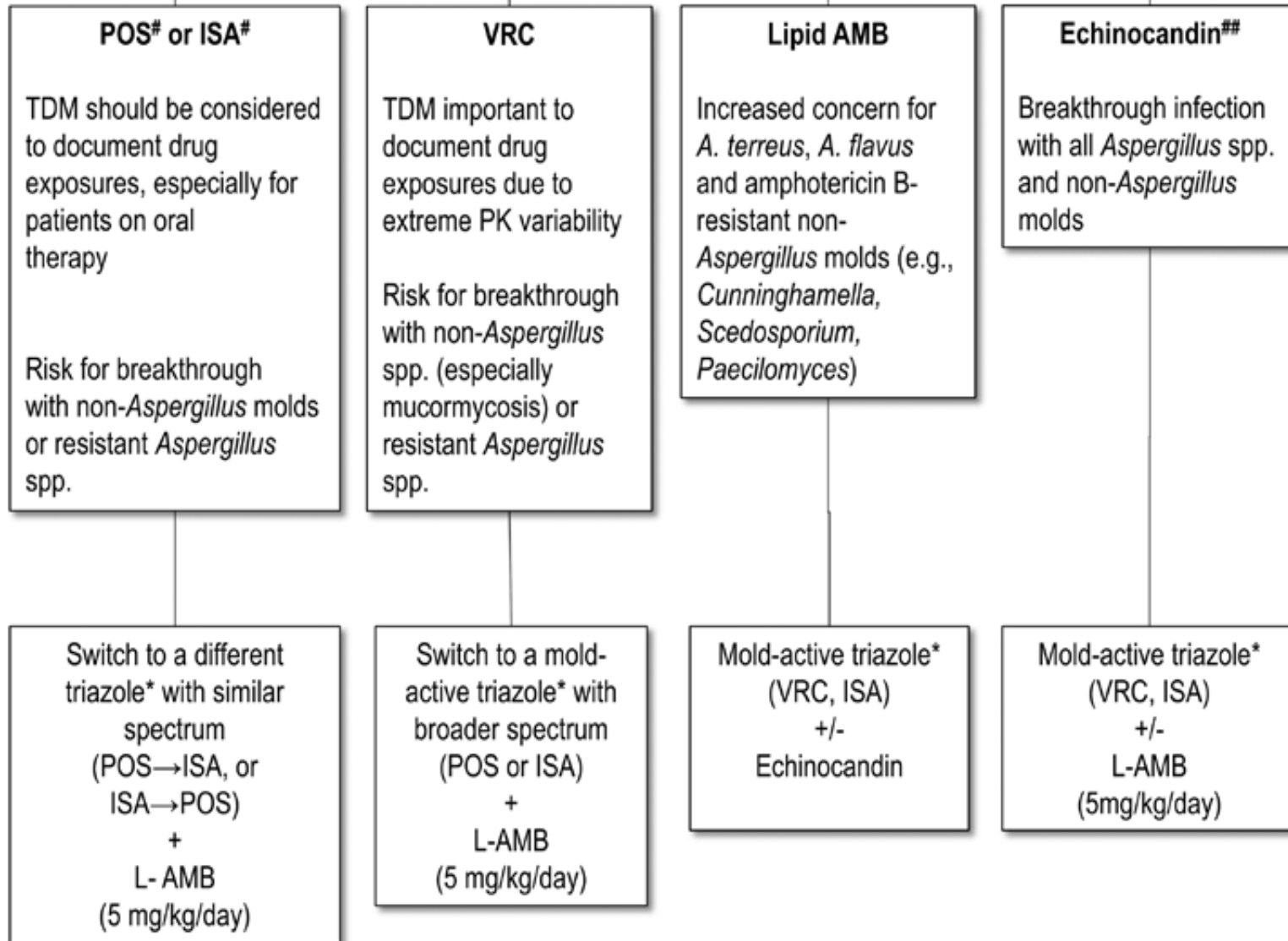
• A. Mean (plus or minus SD) plasma profiles of BAL4815 after oral administration of BAL8557 (equivalent to 100 mg, 200 mg, and 400 mg BAL4815). B. Mean (plus or minus SD) plasma profiles of BAL4815 after intravenous infusion of BAL8557 (equivalent to 50 mg, 100 mg, and 200 mg BAL4815).

• Antimicrob Agents Chemother. 2006 Jan;50(1):279-85.

Flowchart for assessment and management of invasive mold infections



How does antifungal at time of breakthrough affect work-up?



Initial treatment until more definitive diagnosis:

Invasive candidiasis

定義：

- ✓ Candidaemia
- ✓ Deep-seated candidiasis
- ✓ Deep-seated candidiasis with associated candidaemia

Incidence of IC in ICUs

- A multinational, multicenter, retrospective study in 23 ICUs in 9 European countries
- 2015/1-2016/12
- ICU-acquired IC: candidemia and intra-abdominal candidiasis (IAC) developing at least 48 h after ICU admission

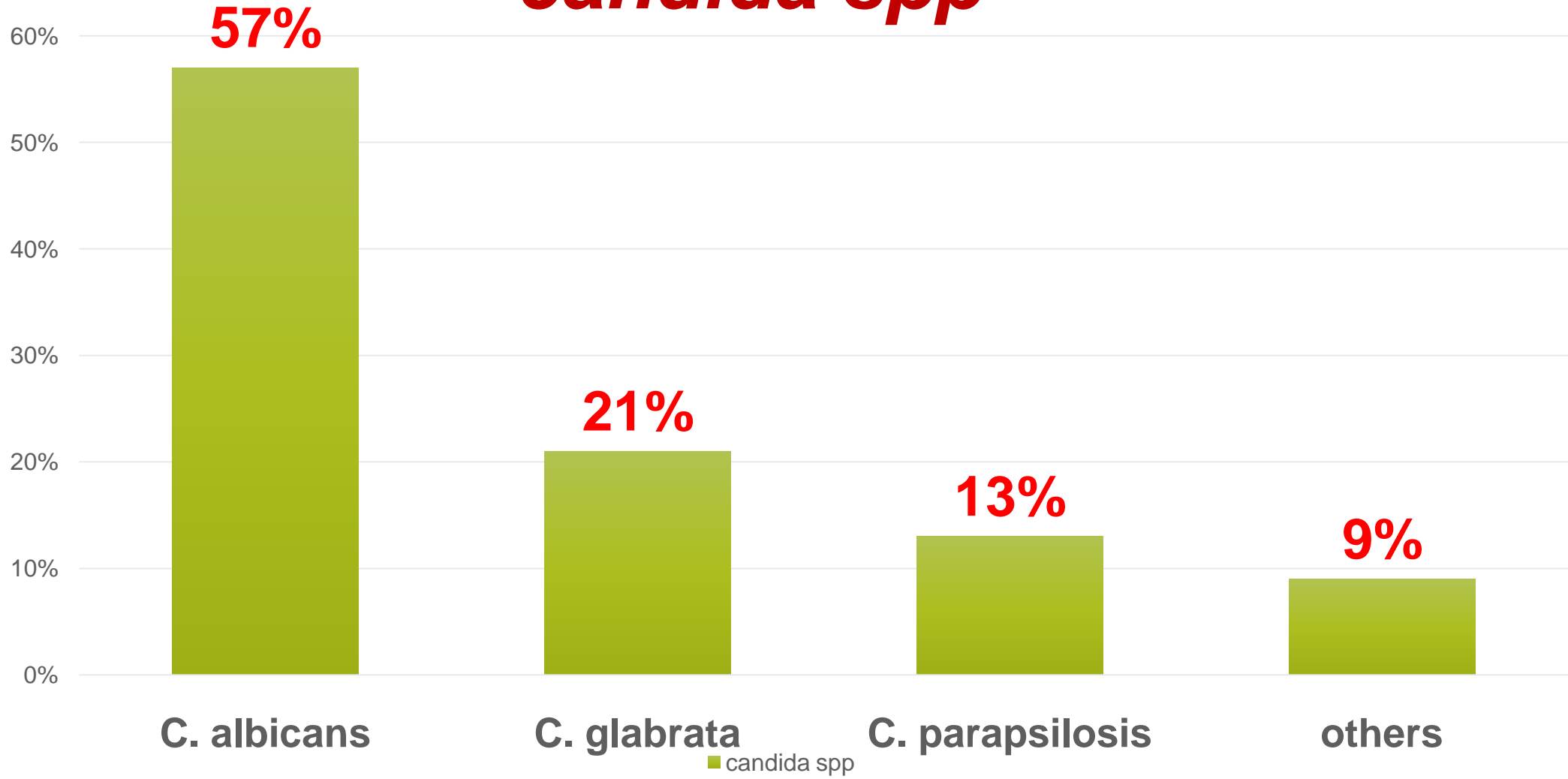
Cumulative incidence of IC

- 80,645 admissions and 570 episodes of ICU-acquired IC
- incidence of 7.07 episodes per 1000 ICU admissions
- ✓ Candidemia : 5.52 episodes per 1000 ICU admissions
- ✓ IAC: 1.84 episodes per 1000 ICU admissions

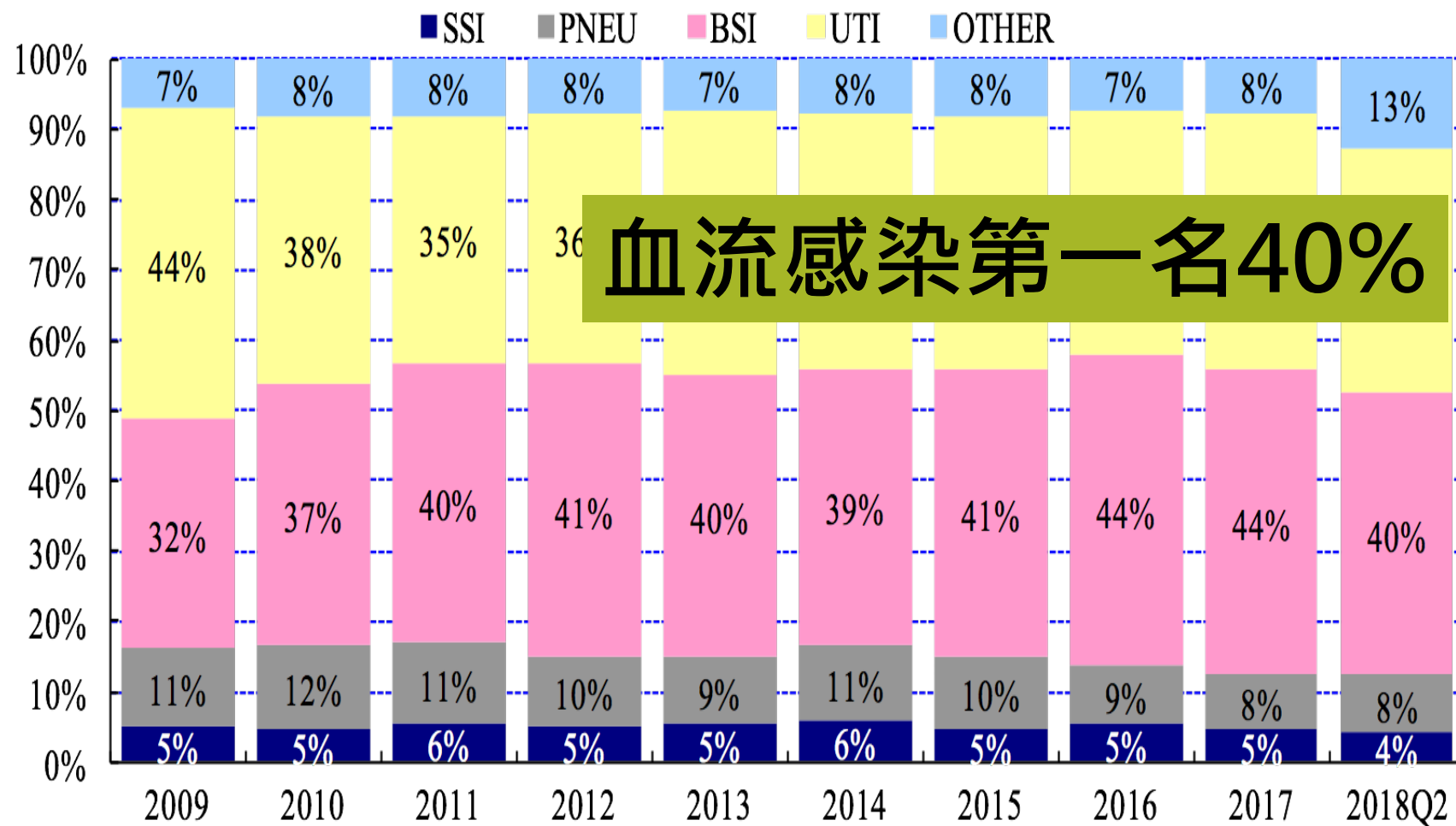
Table 1 Multivariable analysis of center-level factors potentially associated with changes in the cumulative incidence of invasive candidiasis in European ICUs

Center-level variables*	Number of IC episodes	Number of ICU admissions	Cumulative incidence (IC episodes/1000 ICU admissions)	CIR (95% CI)	<i>p</i>
Year of study					0.313
2015	271	40,642	6.67	Ref	
2016	299	40,003	7.47	1.18 (0.85–1.63)	
Type of ICU					0.073
Medical (<i>n</i> = 5)	149	7828	19.03	Ref	
Surgical (<i>n</i> = 3)	51	29,087	1.75	0.10 (0.01–0.76) ^S	
Mixed (medical plus surgical, <i>n</i> = 15)	370	43,730	8.46	0.40 (0.10–1.63)	

candida spp



台灣2008年至2018年醫學中心加護病房院內感染



2009至2018年第2季醫學中心加護病房BSI 感染菌種排名

BSI	2009年	2010年	2011年	2012年	2013年	2014年	2015年	2016年	2017年	2018年Q2
菌種	排名	排名	排名	排名	排名	排名	排名	排名	排名	排名
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i>	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	3	1	1
<i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	3
<i>Enterococcus faecium</i>	10	8	<i>Candida albicans</i>第五名							
Other <i>Candida</i> spp. or NOS	8	9								
<i>Candida albicans</i>	7	7	5	9	5	6	7	8	5	5
<i>Enterobacter species</i>	4	4	9	4	9	7	5	6	6	7
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	2	2	2	3	3	5	6	5	7	7
Coagulase negative staphylococci	5	5	4	6	10	8	8	9	8	10
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	9	10	10	11	11	10	12	7	9	9
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	5	5	6	5	6	9	9	10	10	6

Proportion of the most relevant *Candida* spp. of candidemia

>90% invasive disease

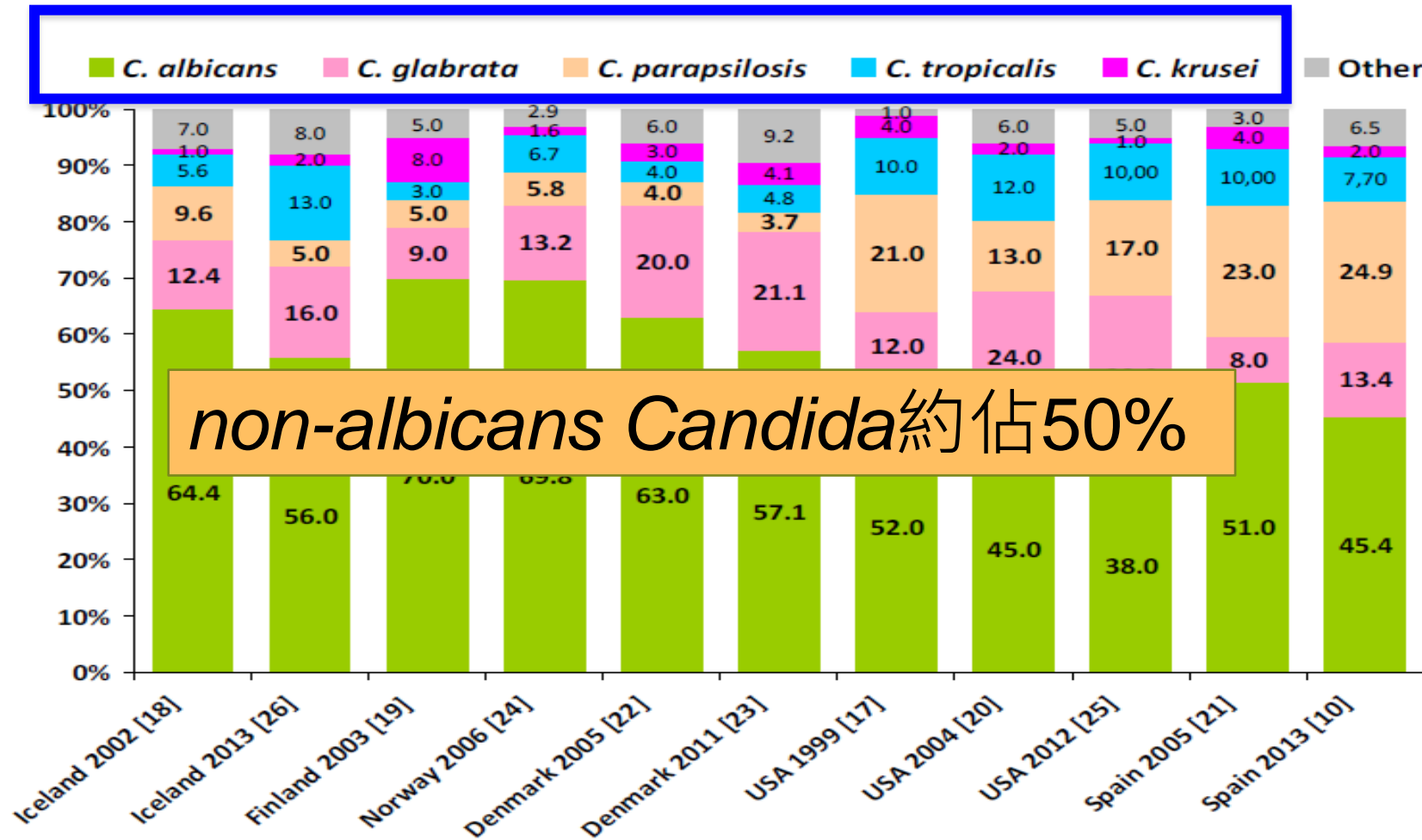
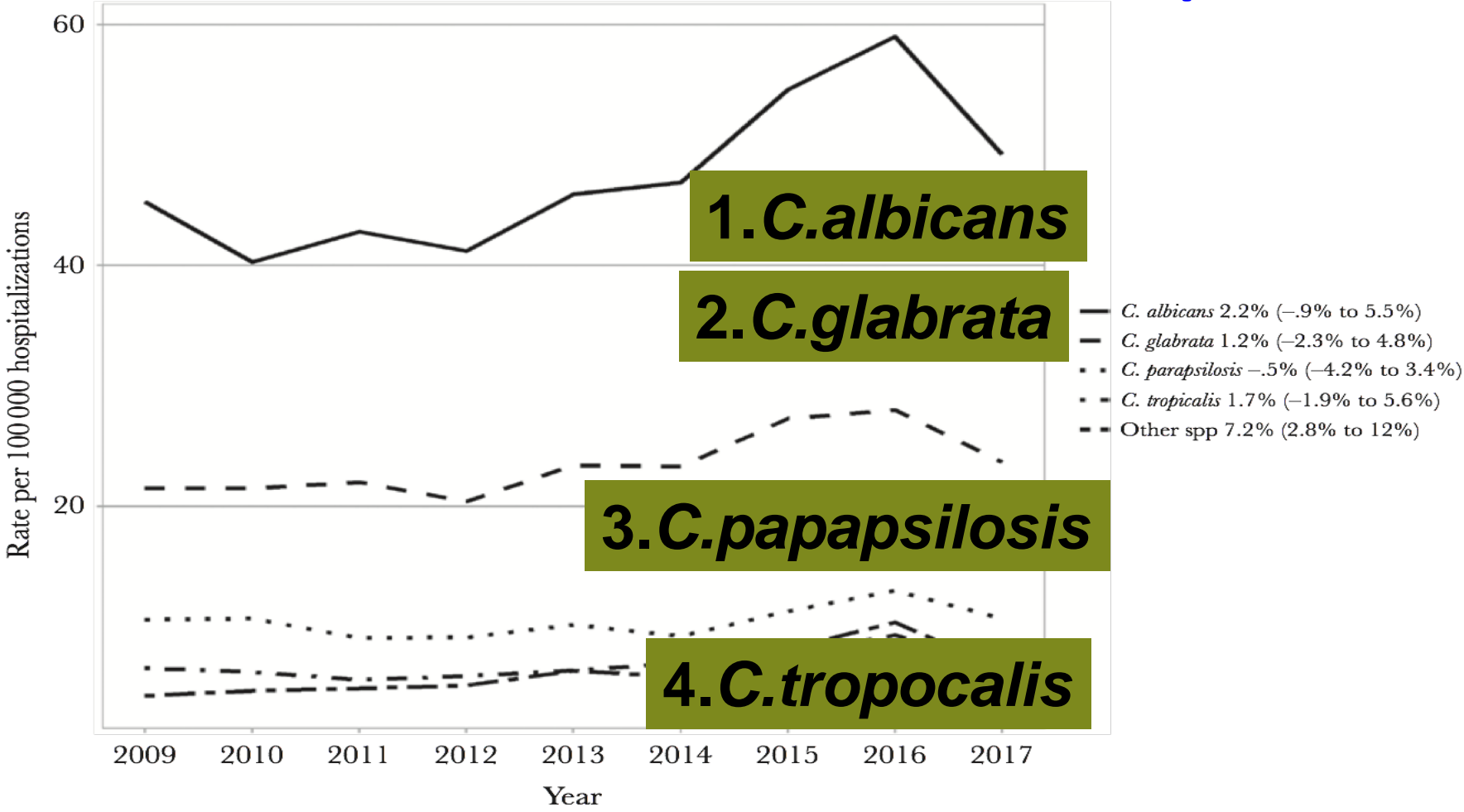


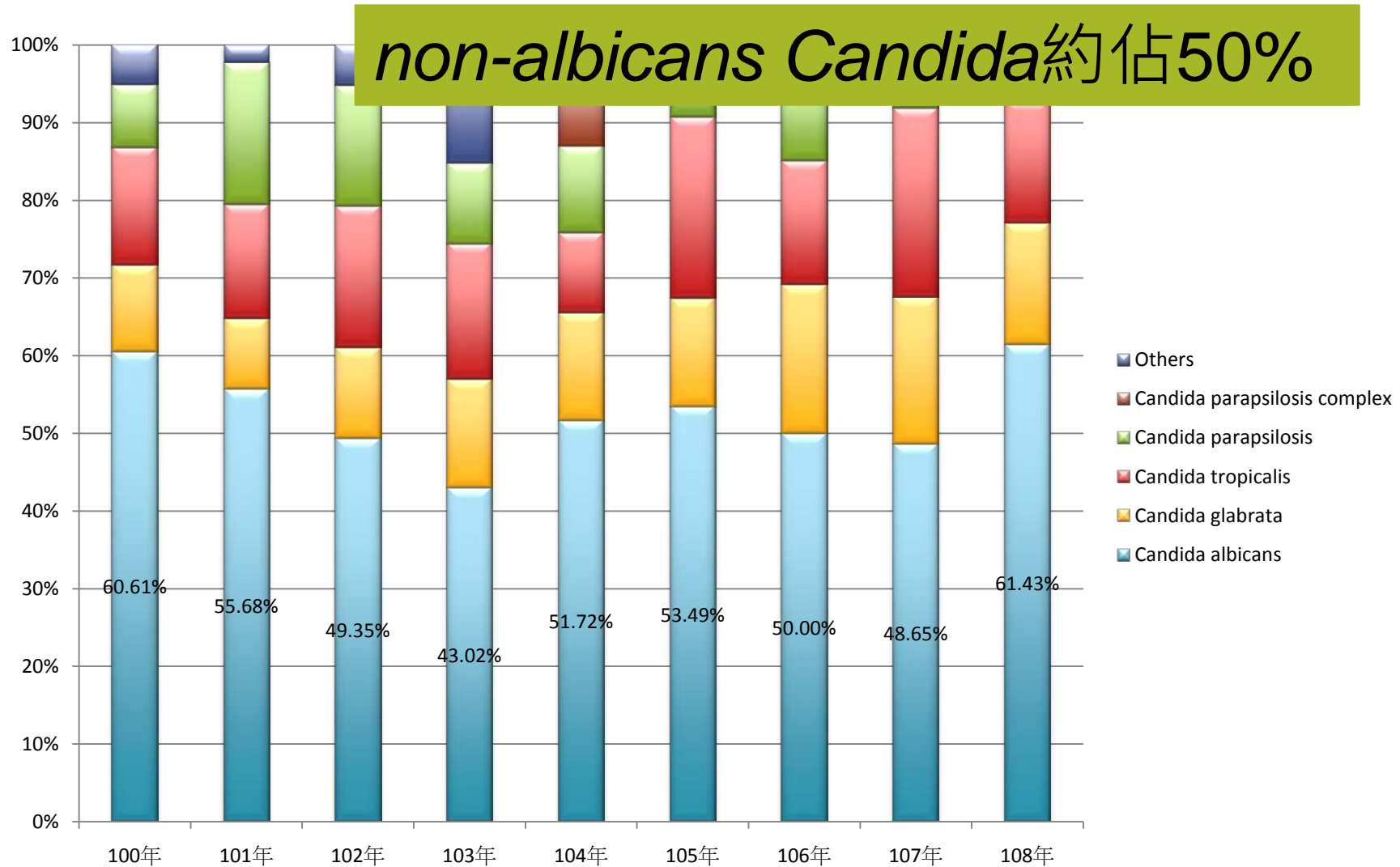
FIG. 1. Proportion of the most relevant *Candida* species from population-based studies reporting on candidemia in different countries.

Invasive Candidiasis Species Distribution and Trends in United States

2009-2017: 平均IC incidence 90/100,000 patients



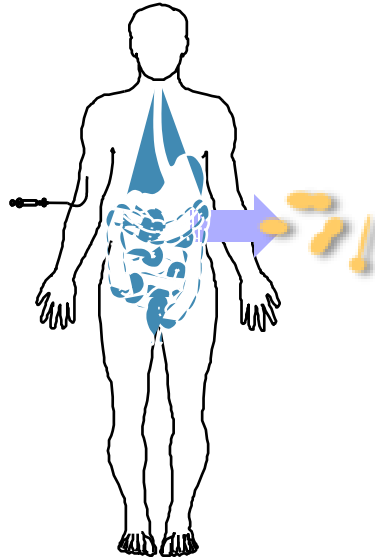
Candidemia in TCVGH



Risk factors for invasive candidiasis

Immunosuppression

Neutropenia
glucocorticoids
diabetes



Barriers/ Integument

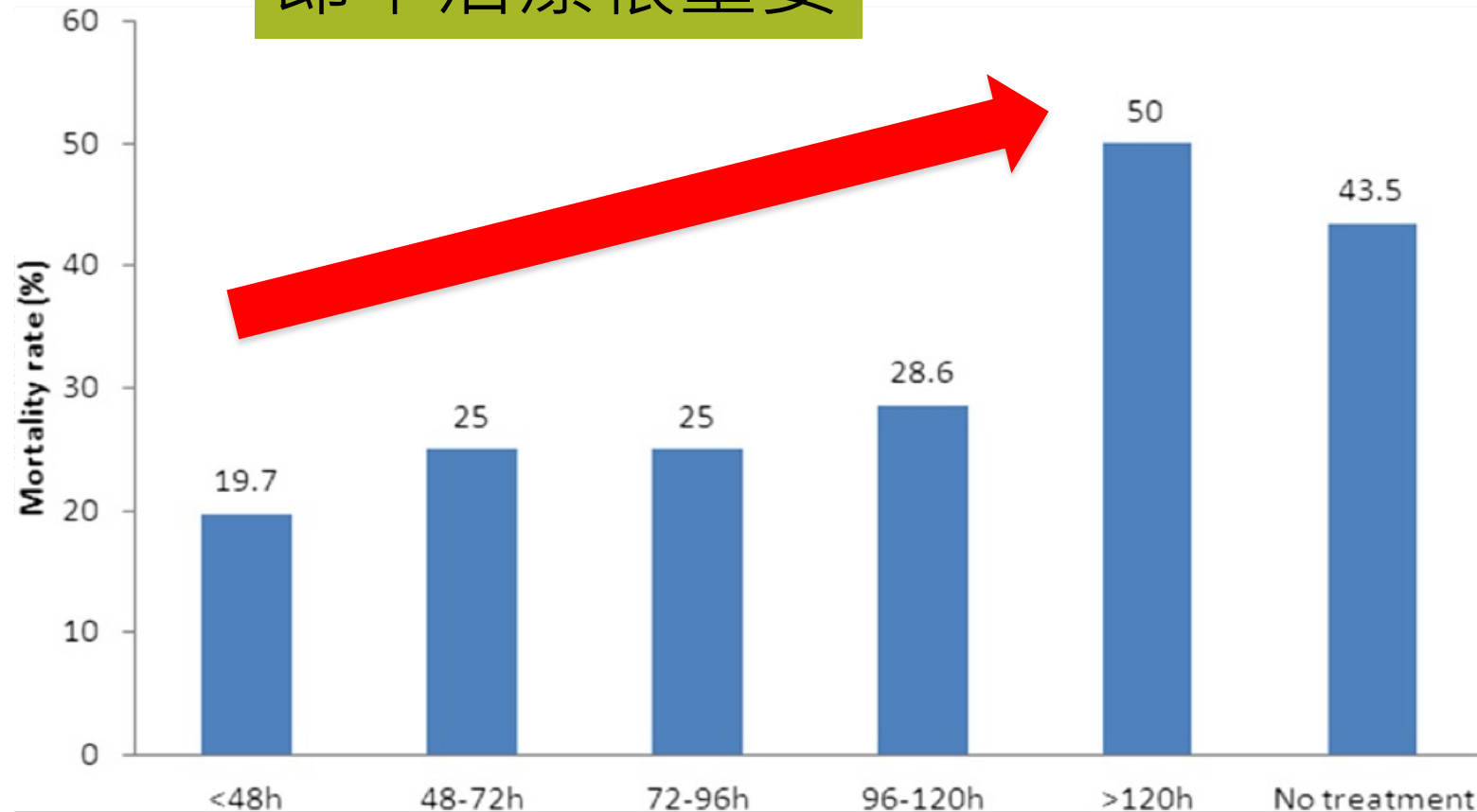
broad spectrum antibiotics
mucosal barrier injury (mucositis)
GI perforation or surgery
TPN
catheters
hemodialysis
IV drug use
pancreatitis
Surgical ICU:
Gastroduodenal perforations,
anastomotic leaks,
necrotizing pancreatitis

Time

Length of stay in hospital/ ICU
Duration of surgery
Duration of broad spectrum antibiotic therapy (colonization)
Severity of illness

Relationship between hospital mortality (28-day) and the timing of antifungal treatment

即早治療很重要

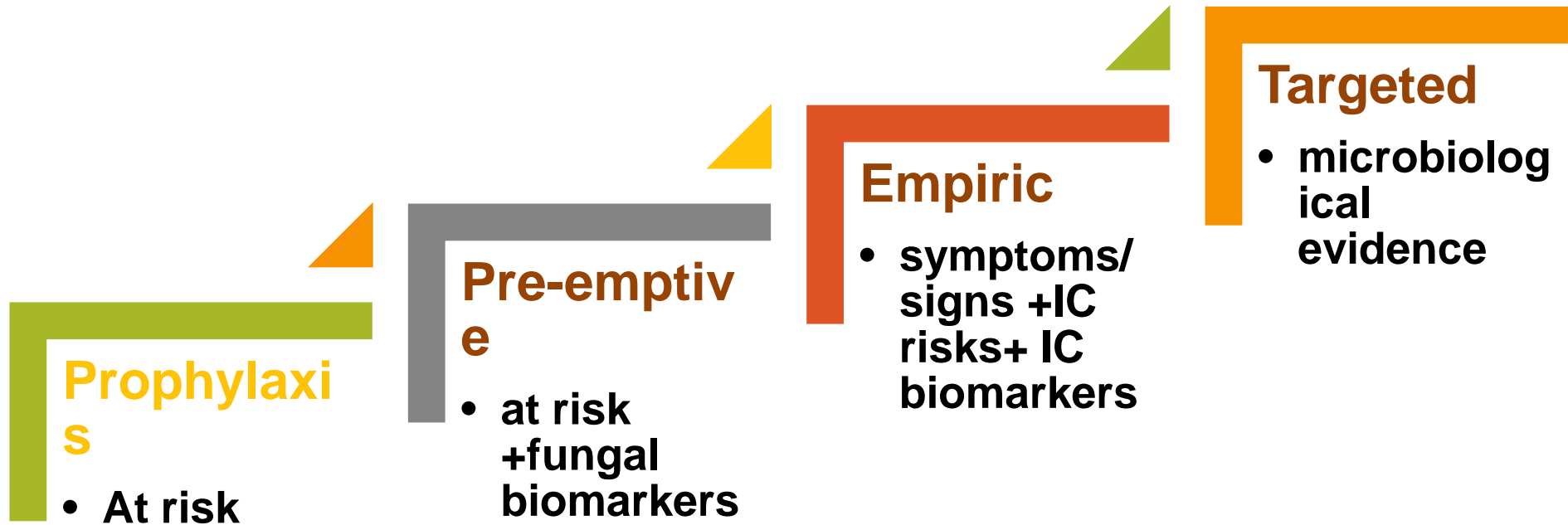


Antifungal therapy



When
to
start ?

Antifungal prescribing strategies



- ✓ European Society of Intensive Care Medicine (ESICM)
- ✓ European Society of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases (ESCMID)

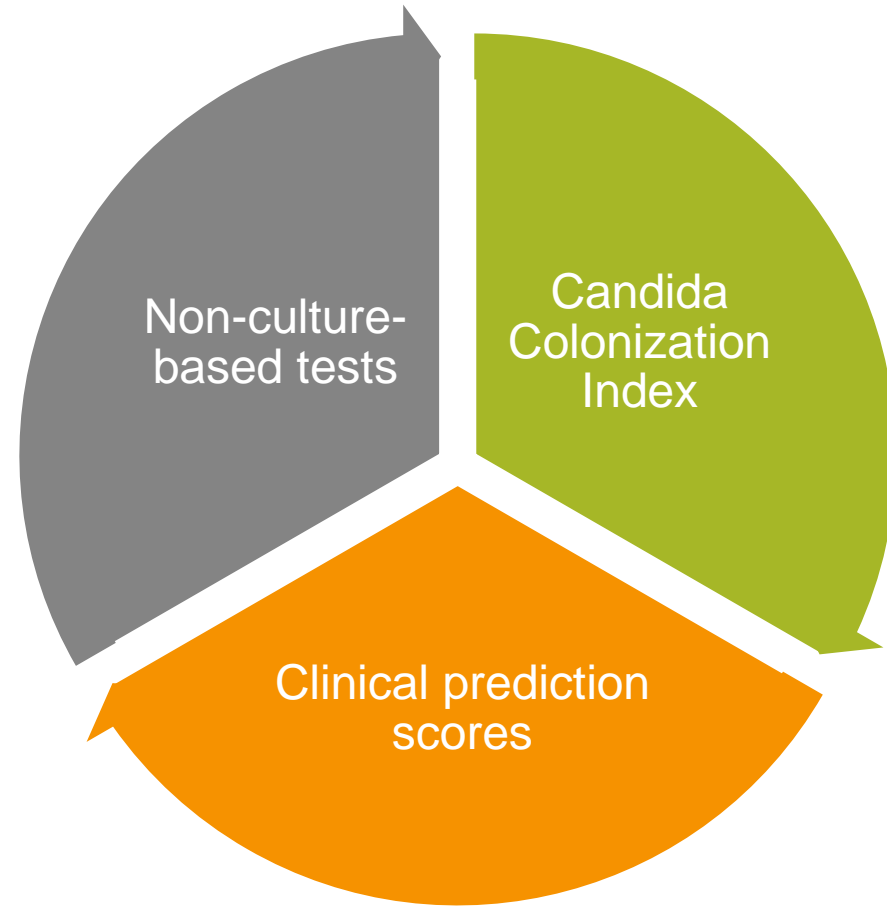
診斷IC

- **Gold standard**

- ✓ Blood culture: 1 colony-forming unit (CFU)/mL
- ✓ Sensitivity is suboptimal (~ 75% in bloodstream infection, ~ 5–20% in abdominal candidiasis)
- ✓ Time to culture positivity prolonged (2–3 days)
- ✓ 容易延誤治療時間

Three tools for early identification of IC

早期診斷

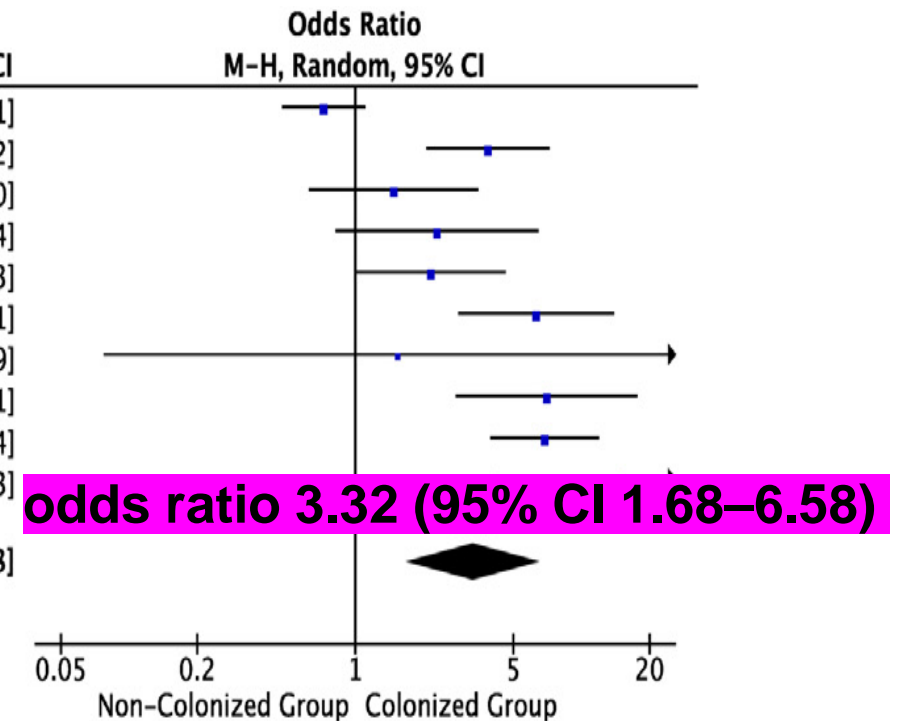


Candida colonization as a predictor of invasive candidiasis in non-neutropenic ICU patients with sepsis

- Predicting invasive candidiasis in ICU patients
 - 9825 patients were studied across the 10 included studies
 - 3886 (40%) were colonized by a Candida species
 - 462 (4.7%) developed invasive candidiasis

加護病房sepsis 病人，colonized with candida 比起 non-colonized 病人，有3.32倍的風險未來變成 invasive candidiasis

Study or Subgroup	Colonization Group		No Colonization Group		Weight	Odds Ratio	
	Events	Total	Events	Total		M-H, Random, 95% CI	M-H, Random, 95% CI
Bailly et al. 2017	64	344	48	200	12.1%	0.72	[0.47, 1.11]
Blumberg et al. 2001	26	1280	16	2996	11.4%	3.86	[2.06, 7.22]
Chander et al. 2013	14	102	10	103	10.5%	1.48	[0.62, 3.50]
Gaspar et al. 2015	11	50	7	64	9.8%	2.30	[0.82, 6.44]
Han et al. 2010	14	37	35	159	10.9%	2.16	[1.01, 4.63]
Jorda-Marcos et al. 2007	56	1008	7	757	10.8%	6.30	[2.86, 13.91]
Kautzky et al. 2015	5	58	0	7	3.7%	1.54	[0.08, 30.79]
Leon et al. 2009	53	684	5	423	10.3%	7.02	[2.78, 17.71]
Patolia et al. 2013	34	296	22	1187	11.7%	6.87	[3.95, 11.94]
Vardakas et al. 2009	23	27	12	43	8.9%	14.85	[4.24, 52.03]
Total (95% CI)		3886		5939	100.0%	3.32	[1.68, 6.58]
Total events	300		162				
Heterogeneity: $\tau^2 = 0.96$; $\text{Chi}^2 = 67.34$, $\text{df} = 9$ ($P < 0.00001$); $I^2 = 87\%$							
Test for overall effect: $Z = 3.45$ ($P = 0.0006$)							



diasis among ICU patients with sepsis.

Candida Colonization

Candida Colonization Index

Candida Colonization Index

Ratio of the number of (non-blood) sites colonized with *Candida* spp /total number of sites cultured

Threshold = 0.5

PPV = 66%

NPV = 100%

雖然candida colonization會增加IC risk，但是其中只有約5-30%會真正變成IC

Clinical prediction scores

Clinical prediction scores

Candida Score

Candida Score = TPN (1 point), surgery (1 point), severe sepsis (2 points), Multifocal Candida colonization (1 point). Threshold = 2.5

Sensitivity = 81%

Specificity = 74%

PPV = 16%

NPV = 98%

Ostrosky-Zeichner Clinical Prediction Rule

Mechanical ventilation \geq 48hours AND Systemic antibiotic AND CVP (on any of day 1-3 of ICU admission) plus \geq 1 of: any major surgery (days 7-0), pancreatitis (days 7-0), use of steroids/other immunosuppressive agents (days 7-0), use of TPN (days 1-3), or dialysis (days 1-3)

Sensitivity = 50%, Specificity = 83%

PPV = 10%

NPV = 97%

León C, et al. 2006 Crit Care Med 34:730-737.

Ostrosky-Zeichner L, et al. 2011 Mycoses 54:46-51

Can we recommend the use of risk prediction models in daily clinical practice?

Risk prediction models, because of their simplicity and high negative predictive values, should be used for identifying high-risk patients (Strong recommendation, low-quality evidence)

→ for ruling out the presence of IC in specific high-risk patients

Non culture-based tests

Non-culture-based tests

1,3-β-d-glucan (BDG)*

detection of (1–3)-beta-d-Glucan (BDG), a pan-fungal (incl *Candida* and *Aspergillus*) cell wall

Sensitivity ~ 75–80%
Specificity ~ 60–85%

Candida spp., Aspergillus spp., Furarium spp, PJP

Candida mannan and anti-mannan*

Detection of mannan antigen (MAg) (a cell wall component) and anti-mannan IgG antibodies (Anti-Mn) in serum

Combined MAg and Anti-Mn
Sensitivity ~ 79–87%
Specificity ~ 80–90%

Candida albicans germ tube antibody (CAGTA)*

Detects antibodies to antigens located on the cell wall of *Candida albicans*

Sensitivity ~ 59–73%
Specificity ~ 58–88%

Multiplex *Candida* real time polymerase chain reaction (PCR)*

Detection of *Candida* DNA by polymerase chain

Sensitivity ~61–95%

lack of validation and standardization, >5 colony-forming unit (CFU)/mL

T2-magnetic resonance *Candida* assay (T2Candida)*

Miniaturized magnetic resonance technology to identify and speciate whole *Candida* cells of the five most common *Candida*: *albicans*, *glabrata*, *parapsilosis*, *tropicalis* and *krusei*

Sensitivity ~88–94%
Specificity ~93–95%

The T2 Magnetic Resonance (T2MR)

FDA approved in 2014 for the diagnosis of candidemia

Nuclear magnetic resonance +PCR
molecular assay



Figure 1. T2Dx Instrument.

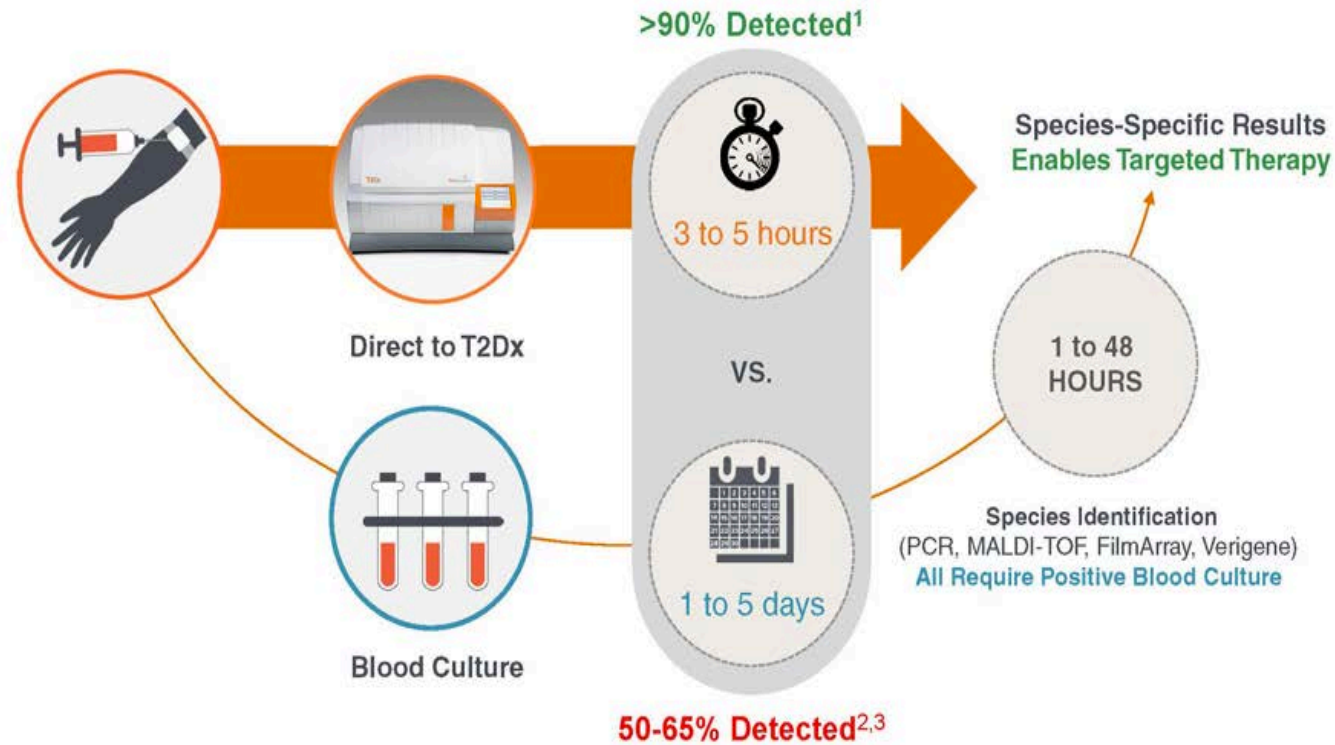
- 只能驗以下5株
 - ✓ 3 CFU/mL for *C. albicans* and *C. tropicalis*
 - ✓ 2 CFU/mL for *C. krusei* and *C. glabrata*
 - ✓ 1 CFU/mL for *C. parapsilosis*

The T2 Magnetic Resonance (T2MR)

T2MR: Establishing a New Standard in Sepsis Pathogen Detection



T2Sepsis diagnostics provide a **faster and more accurate solution for sepsis pathogen detection**



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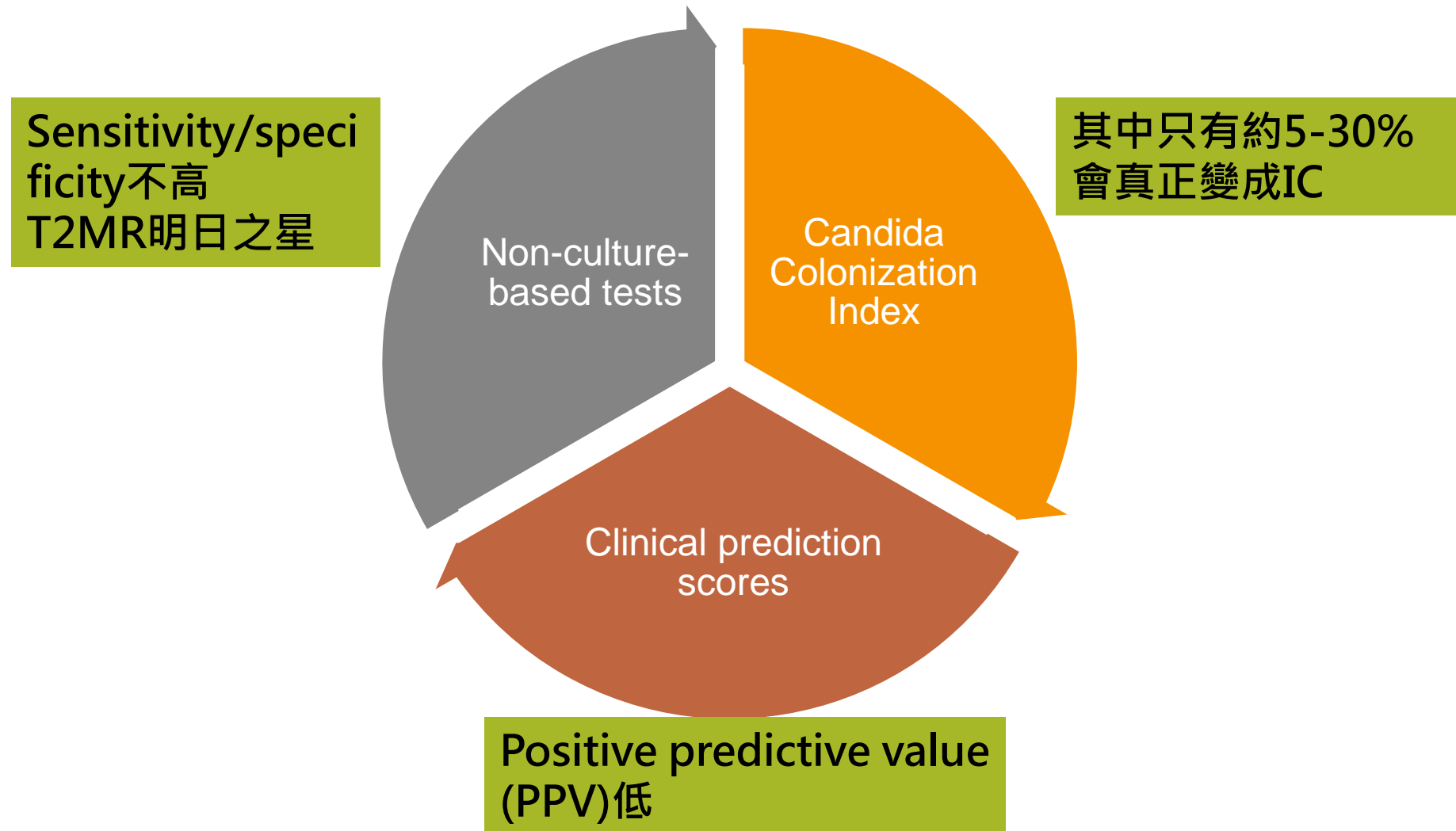
The T2 Magnetic Resonance (T2MR)

- T2MR demonstrated a sensitivity and specificity of 91.1% and 98.1%
- T2MR is expected to allow timely initiation of antifungal therapy and help with anti-fungal stewardship

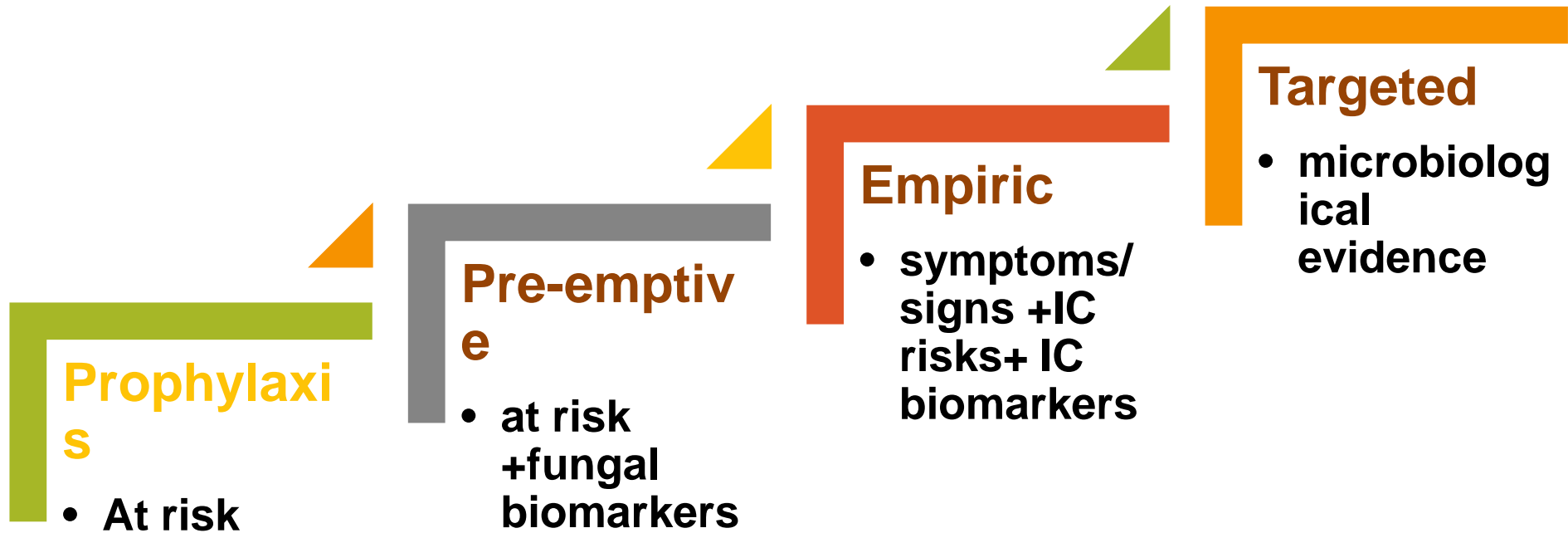
What conventional and non-culturebased microbiological techniques are available for diagnosing IC?

The panel agrees that **PCR-based tests** and **miniaturized-magnetic resonance-based technology** perform well. However, the lack of standardization and of large-scale validation precludes their clinical use without ancillary testing (weak recommendation, low quality of evidence)

Three tools for early identification of IC 早期診斷

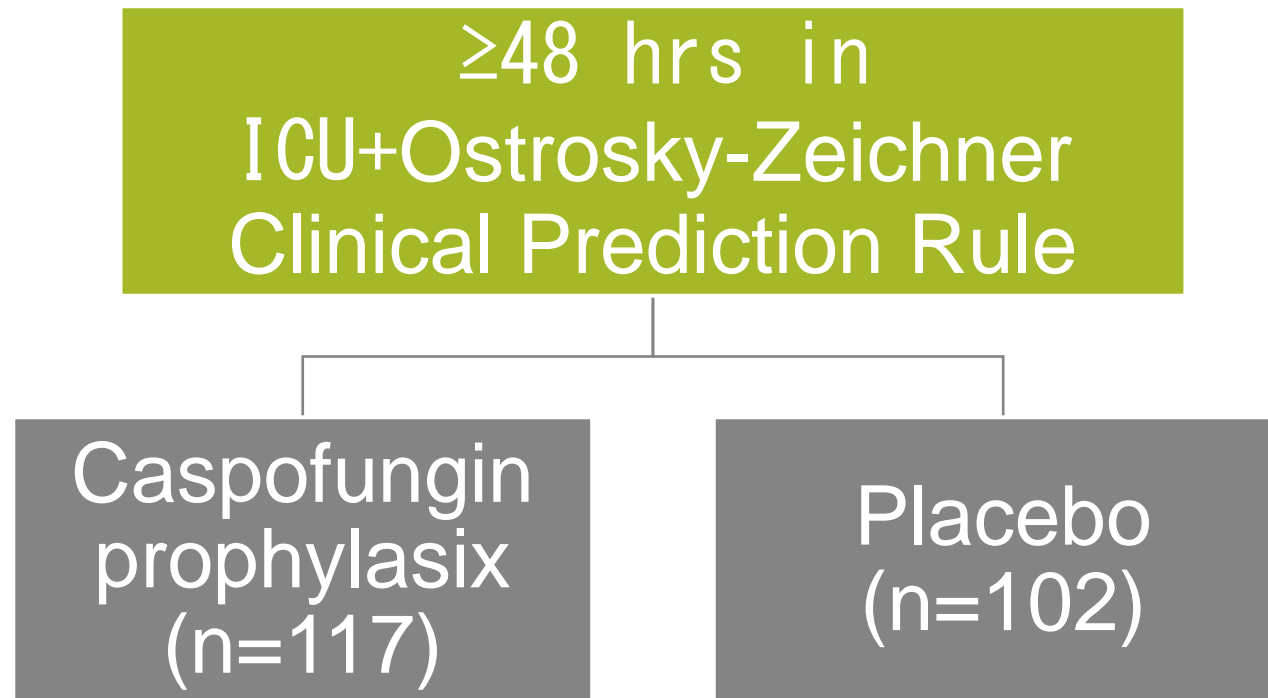


Antifungal prescribing strategies



MSG-01 : caspofungin prophylaxis

multicenter, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled study, USA



Caspofungin在ICU high risk 病人預防性使用，未來產生IC incidence, mortality與placebo相當

Table 3. Study Endpoints and Outcomes

Variable	Prophylaxis/MITT Population		P Value
	Caspofungin (n = 102)	Placebo (n = 84)	
Incidence of proven or probable IC by DRC, %	9.8	16.7	.14
Incidence of proven IC by DRC, %	1.0	4.8	.11
Use of antifungals within 7 d EOT, %	13.7	17.9	.35
All-cause mortality within 7 d EOT, %	16.7	14.3	.78

Abbreviations: DRC, data review committee; EOT, end of therapy; IC, invasive candidiasis; MITT, modified intention to treat.

Should antifungal prophylaxis be used in critically ill patients?

The panel recommends **against** the routine and universal administration of antifungal prophylaxis in critically ill patients (weak recommendation, moderate quality of evidence)

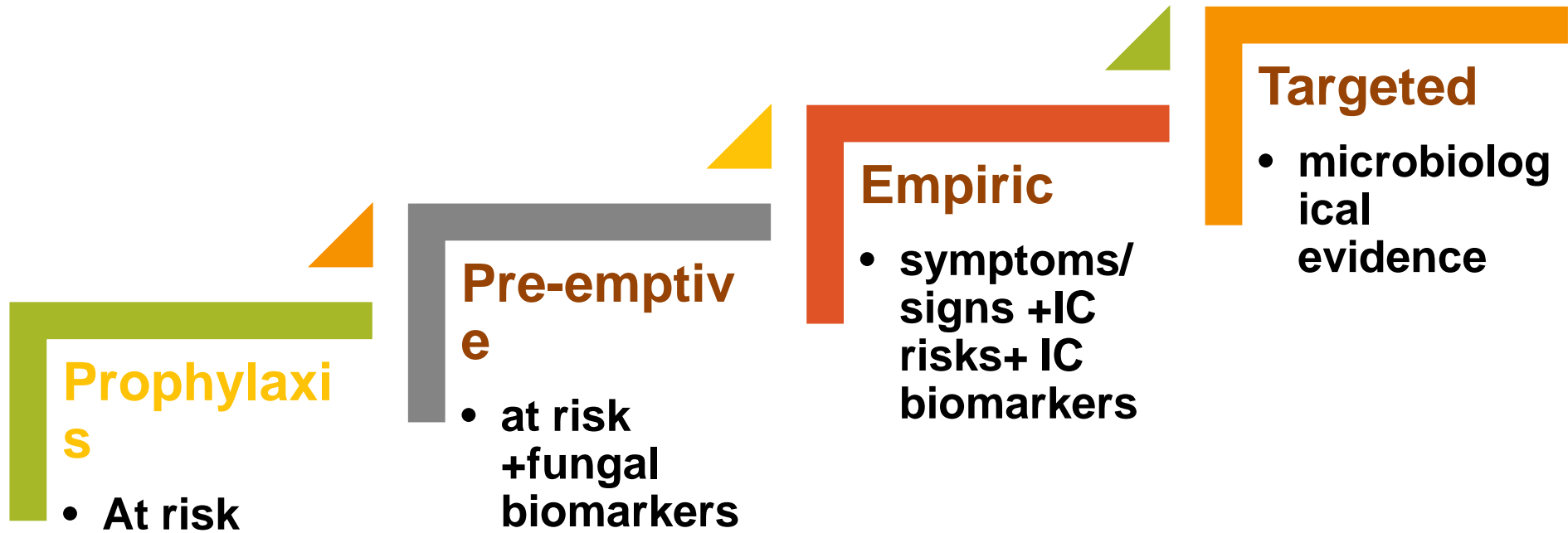
IFI prophylaxis

Table 1. Antifungals approved for IFI prophylaxis

Parameter	Fluconazole	Posaconazole	Micafungin
FDA-approved indication	Prevention of candidiasis in patients undergoing HCT receiving cytotoxic chemotherapy and/or radiation therapy	Prevention of invasive <i>Aspergillus</i> and <i>Candida</i> infections in patients at high risk due to immunocompromise, such as HCT recipients with GvHD or those with haematological malignancies and prolonged chemotherapy-associated neutropenia	Prevention of <i>Candida</i> infections in patients undergoing HCT
Year approved for any indication	1992	2006 (suspension); 2013 (delayed-release tablet); 2014 (iv solution)	2006
Generic	Yes	No	No
Doses and formulations	Oral tablet: 50 mg, 100 mg, 150 mg, 200 mg Oral suspension: 10 mg/mL (35 mL), 40 mg/mL (35 mL) iv solution: 100 mg (50 mL), 200 mg (100 mL), 400 mg (200 mL)	Oral suspension: 40 mg/mL (105 mL) Delayed-release tablet: 100 mg iv solution: 300 mg (16.7 mL)	iv solution for reconstitution: 50 mg, 100 mg

Condition	Antifungal	Duration
Acute leukaemia/MDS	<p>Posaconazole^a delayed-release tablets</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Micafungin^{iv,b}</p>	Starting 24–48 h after chemotherapy until neutrophil recovery
Autologous HCT	<p>Fluconazole 400 mg orally daily^c</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Micafungin^{iv,d}</p> <p>PJP prophylaxis</p> <p>Trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole^e</p>	<p>From admission until neutrophil recovery, off antibiotics, off short course steroids (<3 weeks)</p> <p>From day +30 until 6 months post HCT</p>
Allogeneic HCT	<p><u>Peri-engraftment, all patients</u></p> <p>Micafungin iv daily</p> <p>Switch to a mould-active azole^f by day+7 or when steady-state levels of immunosuppressants are reached^g</p> <p><u>Post engraftment</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High risk for mould^h <p>Voriconazole</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Posaconazole delayed release tablets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low risk for mould <p>Fluconazole 400 mg po daily</p> <p><u>PJP prophylaxis, all patients</u></p> <p>Trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazoleⁱ</p>	<p>From day of admission until neutrophil engraftment</p> <p>Until at least day +75 and cessation of immunosuppression</p> <p>Until day +30-75</p> <p>Start ~day +21 until immune reconstitution</p>

Antifungal prescribing strategies



INTENSE trial

Randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial, multi-center Europe and Israel

Community or nosocomially acquired intra-abdominal infection requiring surgery and ICU stay

preemptive antifungal therapy, 開刀後48hrs內(NAI),72-120hrs(CAI)給藥

Micafungin
100mg/d
(n=117)

Placebo
(n=124)

在IAI開刀後預防性給micafungin，未來發生IC incidence, 與median time to IC 機率與placebo相當

Table 2. Incidence of Invasive Candidiasis in the Full Analysis Set and Per-Protocol Set for All Patients

IC Incidence	Patient With IC/Total Patients, No. (%)		Treatment Difference (Micafungin – Placebo), % (95% CI)
	Placebo	Micafungin ^b	
All patients (FAS)			
IDRB-confirmed IC	11/124 (8.9)	13/117 (11.1)	2.24 (–5.52 to 10.20)
Investigator-confirmed IC ^a	20/121 (16.5)	16/116 (13.8)	–2.74 (–11.92 to 6.56)
Any-confirmed IC ^a	20/120 (16.7)	17/115 (14.8)	–1.88 (–11.24 to 7.58)
All patients (PPS)			
IDRB-confirmed IC	5/88 (5.7)	5/79 (6.3)	0.65 (–7.17 to 8.95)

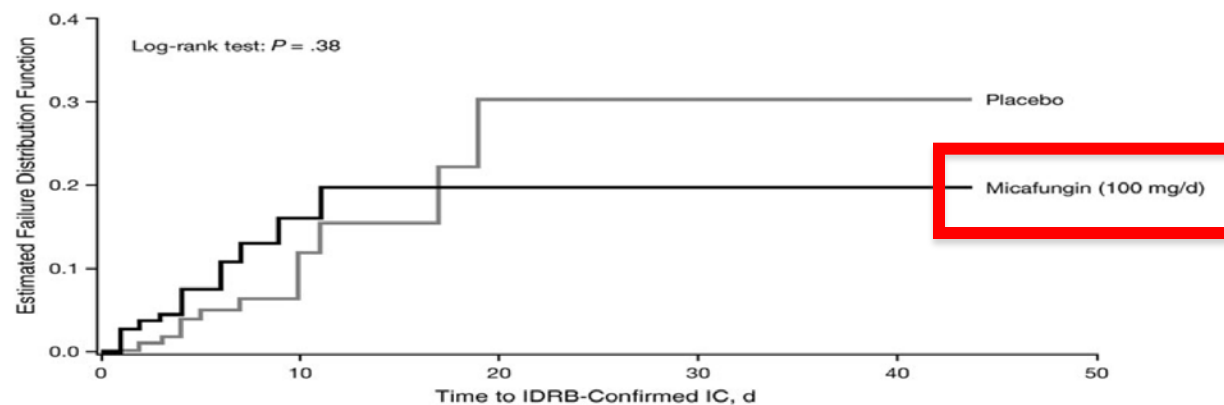


Figure 2. Kaplan–Meier failure curves of time to independent data review board (IDRB)-confirmed invasive candidiasis (IC) (full analysis set).

Should pre-emptive therapy be used in critically ill patients?

Criteria for starting empirical antifungal therapy in nonneutropenic patients were poorly defined

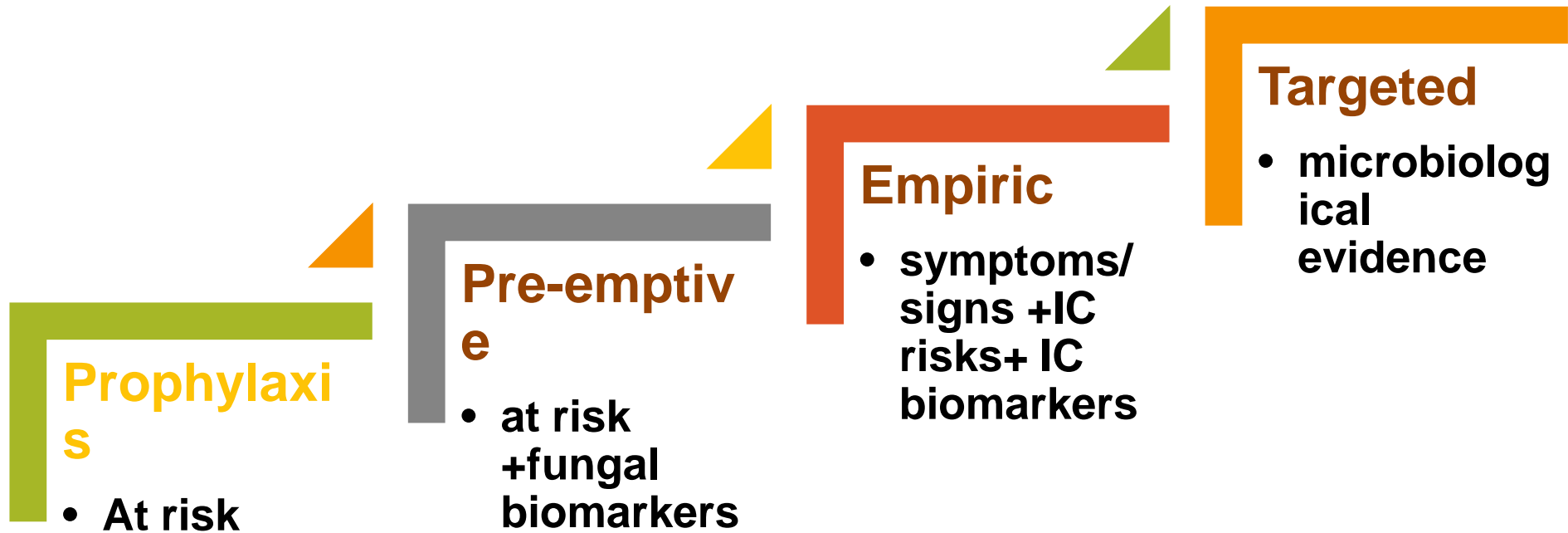
→ Pre-emptive therapy subsequently disappeared from the recently revised 2016 IDSA guidelines

Should pre-emptive therapy be used in critically ill patients?

The panel does **not recommend** the use of pre-emptive antifungal therapy in critically ill patients (weak recommendation, low-quality evidence)

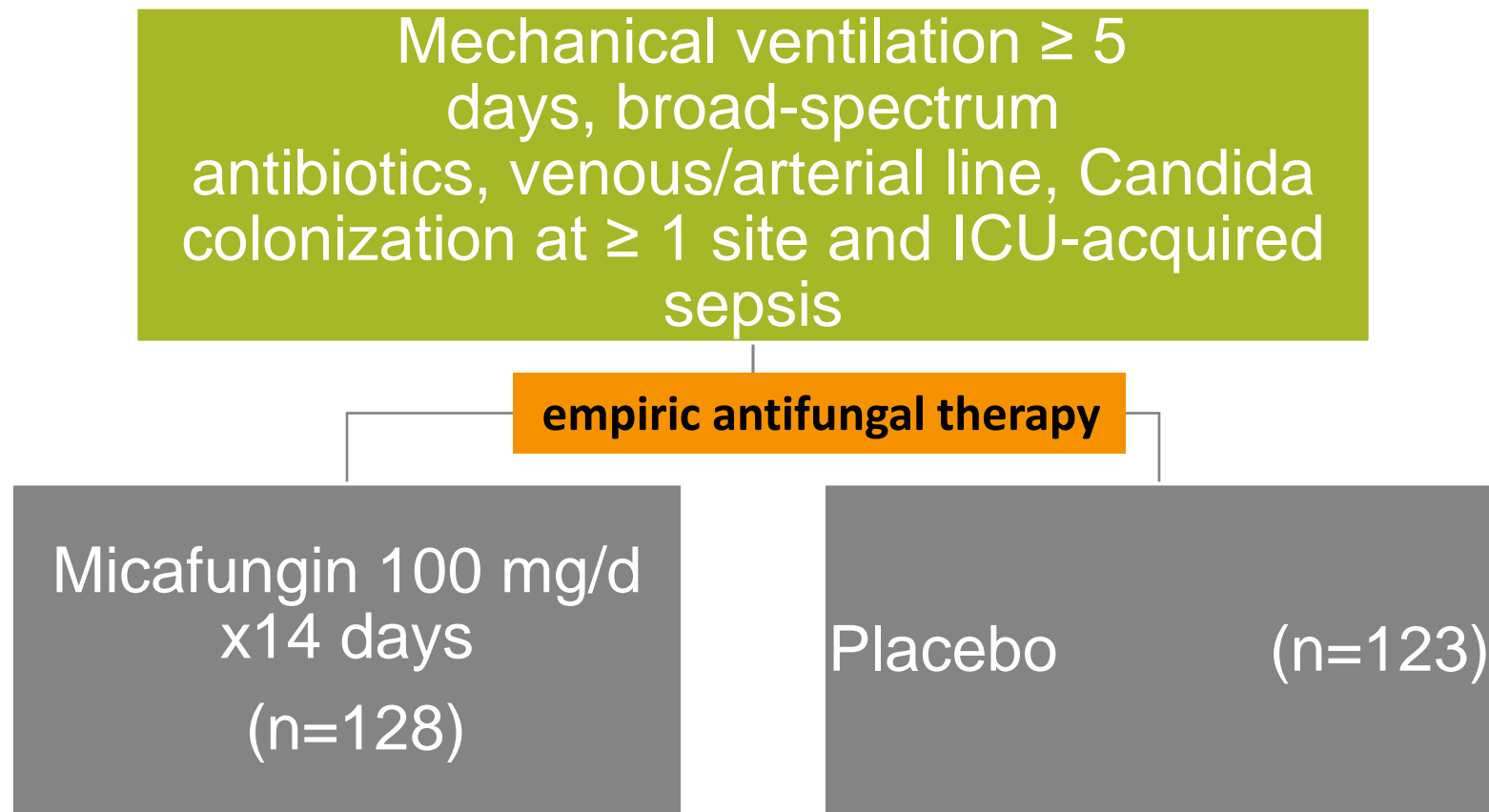
→ more studies are needed

Antifungal prescribing strategies



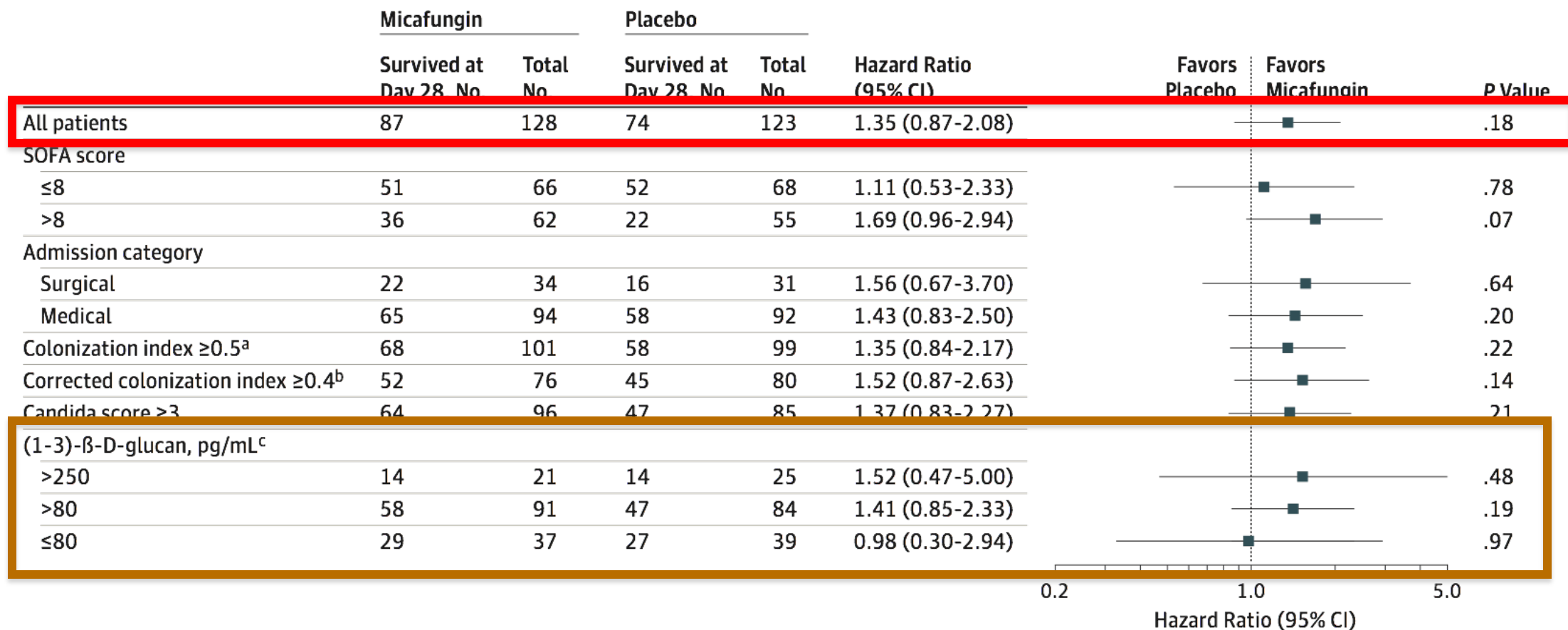
EMPIRICUS trial

Multicenter double-blind placebo-controlled study, France



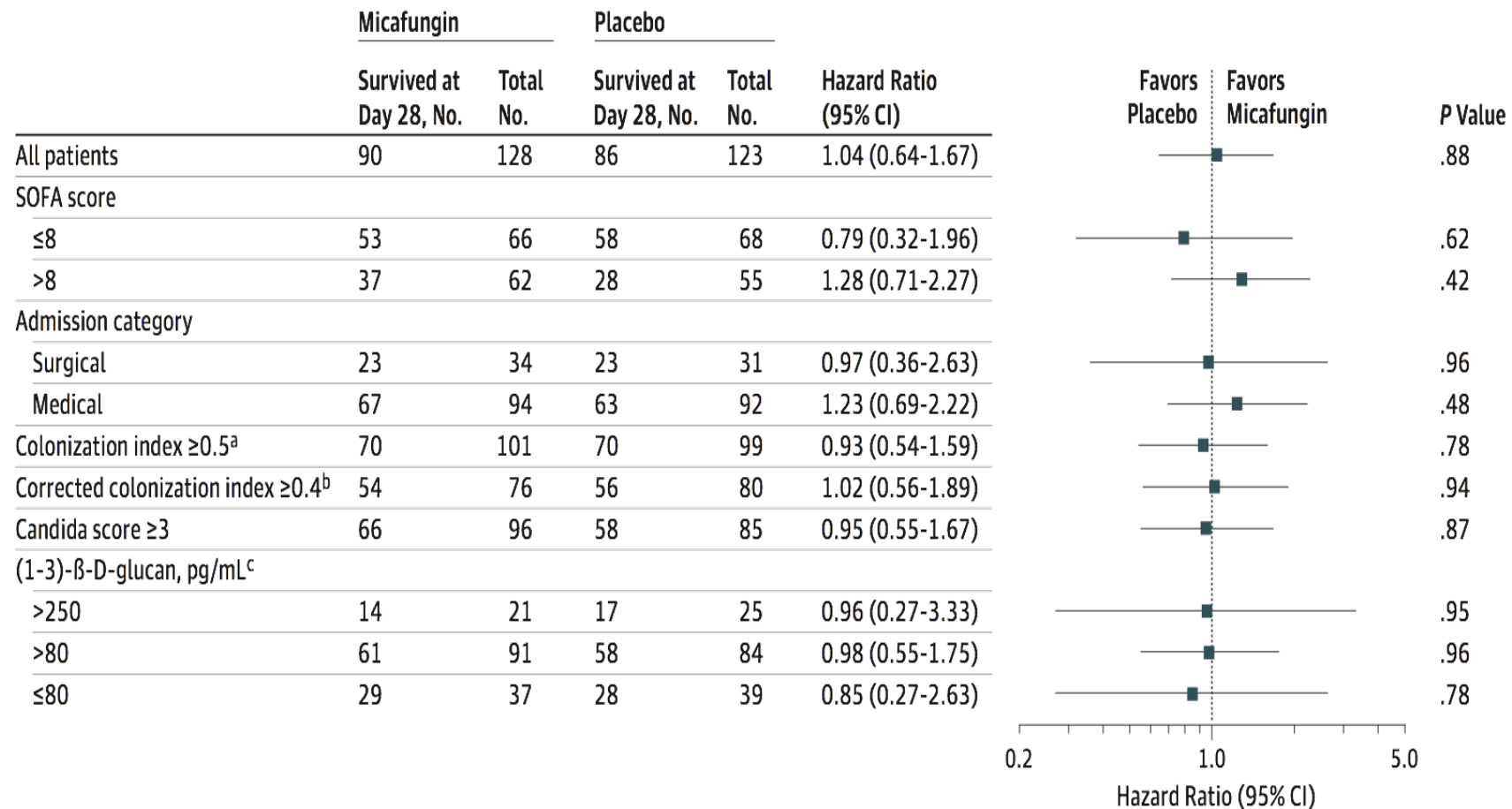
Day 28, fungal infection free survival rate micafungin (68%) VS placebo (60%)

Figure 2. Comparison of Fungal Infection-Free Survival at Day 28 in the Modified Intent-to-Treat Population and in Predefined Subgroups



Day 28兩組死亡率相當

Figure 3. Comparison of Survival at Day 28 in the Modified Intent-to-Treat Population and in Predefined Subgroups



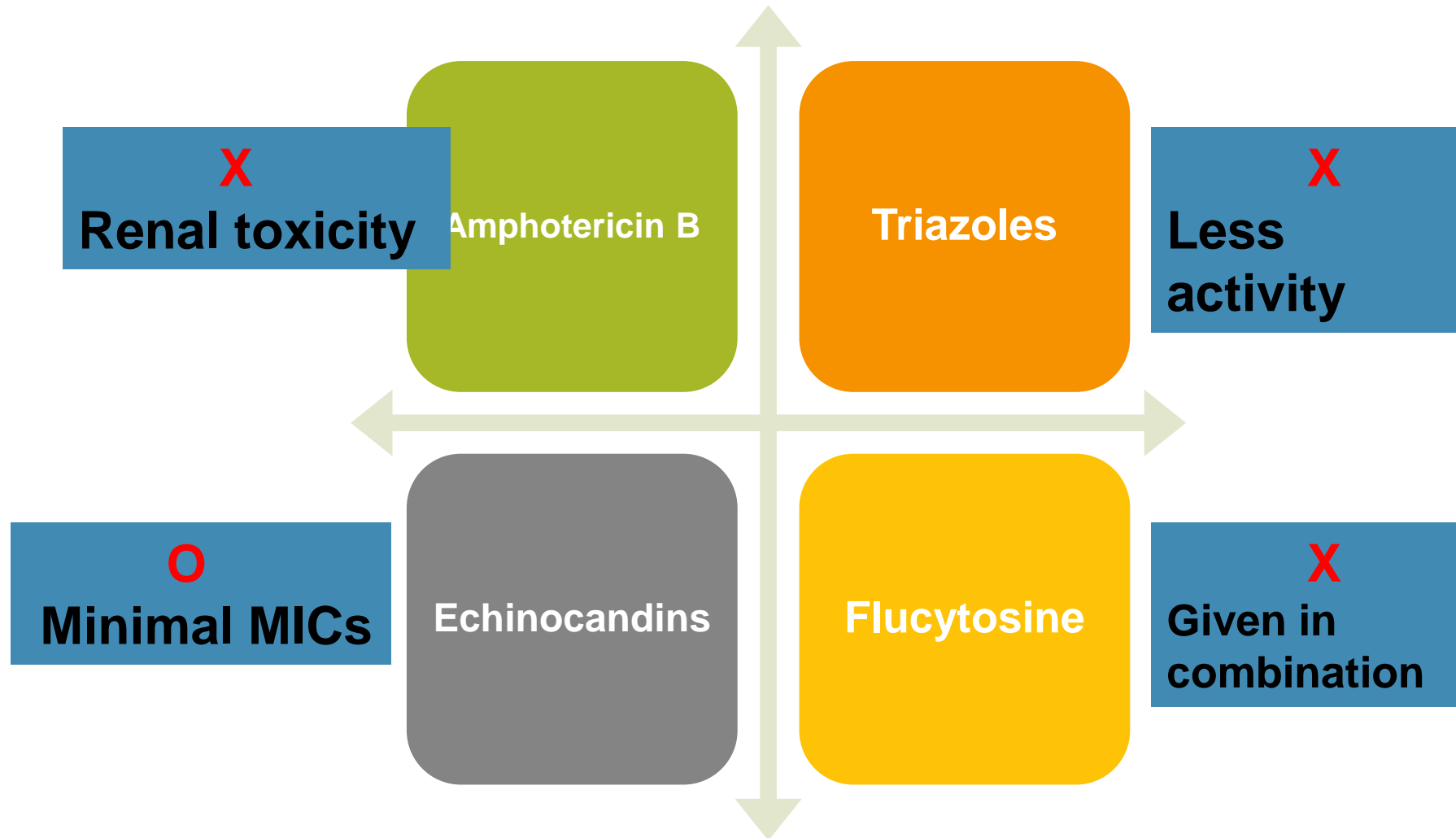
Which patients should receive empirical antifungal treatment?

The panel suggests that empirical antifungal therapy might be considered **only in patients with septic shock and multi-organ failure (MOF) who have more than 1 extra-digestive site** (i.e. urine, mouth, throat, upper and lower respiratory tracts, skin folds, drains, operative site) with proven **Candida species colonization** (strong recommendation, low quality of evidence)

Which patients should receive empirical antifungal treatment?

The panel recommends **not starting empirical** antifungal therapy in patients **without septic shock** and MOF (strong recommendation, low quality of evidence)

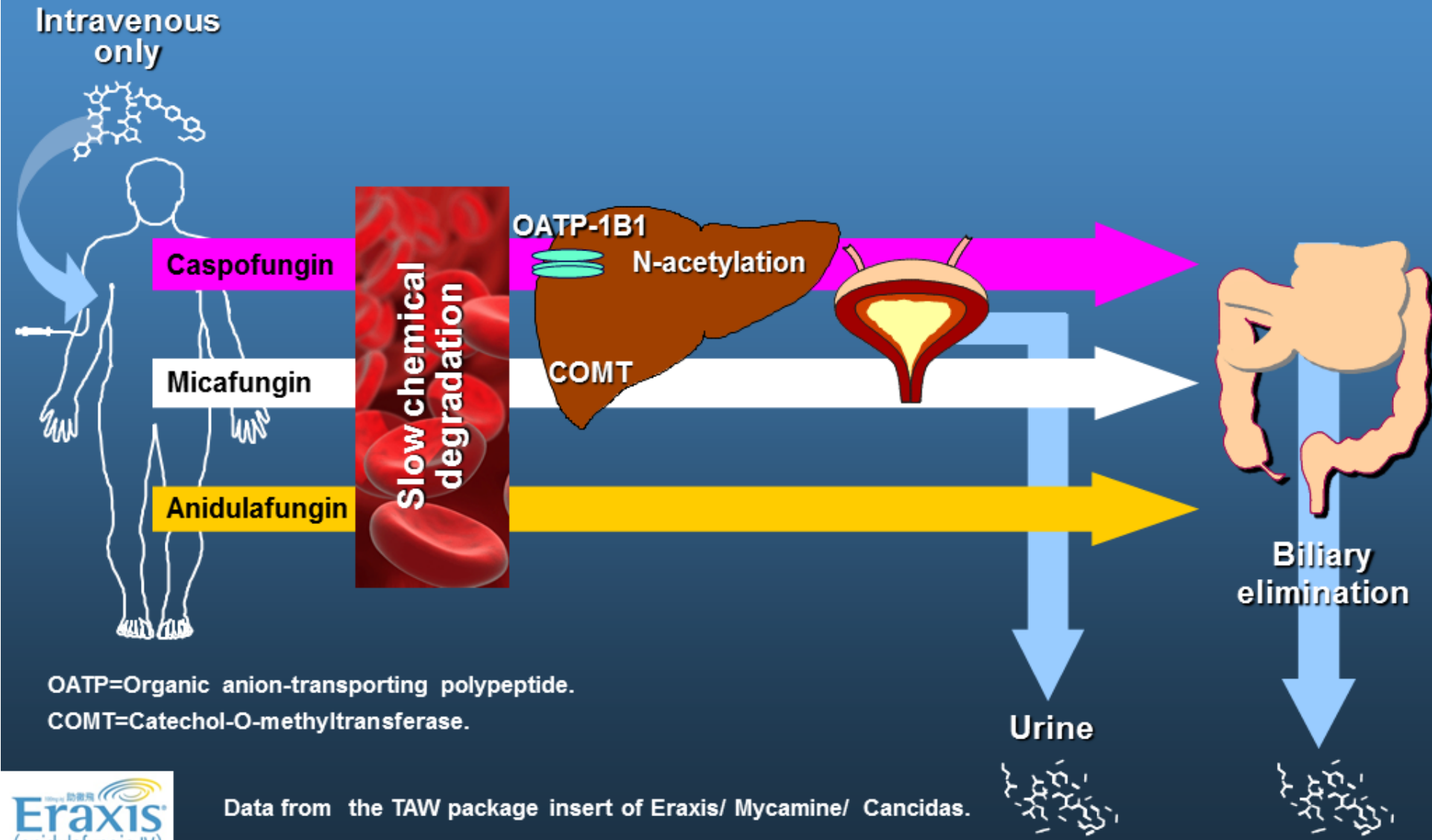
Antifungal agents



Echinocandins

- Preferred agents for most episodes of candidemia and invasive candidiasis (**exception of CNS, eye and UTI**)
- Strong safety profile, convenience, early fungicidal activity
- The emergence of azole-resistant *Candida* species
- *C. parapsilosis*: less responsive to the echinocandins

Anidulafungin metabolism and elimination differs from other echinocandins



Echinocandin Antifungals	Caspofungin	Anidulafungin	MYCAMINE (Micafungin)
儲存	冷藏2-8保存	冷藏2-8保存	室溫15-30保存
Loading Dose	需要	需要	不需要
稀釋總輸液量 (成人)	將調配過之適量藥物 稀釋到250mL	100 mg為130mL 200 mg為260mL (負荷劑量)	100 mL 0.9%氯化鈉或 5%葡萄糖注射液
用法用量及輸注時間 (成人)	一天一次	一天一次	一天一次
	起始劑量70mg 約60分鐘	負荷劑量200mg 約180分鐘	不需負荷劑量 約60分鐘
	維持劑量50mg 約60分鐘	維持劑量100mg 約90分鐘	
重度腎功能不全	不須調整劑量	不須調整劑量	無須調整劑量
重度肝功能不全	尚無嚴重肝功能不全 成人患者的臨床使用 經驗	不須調整劑量	不須調整劑量

Risk factors for mortality in candidemia

22 tertiary care medical centers in Brazil, 2003-2014
640 candidemia patients in ICU

Table 5 Factors associated with 30-day mortality^a among 640 ICU patients with candidemia by multivariate analysis

Variable	Odds ratio	95 % Confidence interval	<i>p</i> value
Receipt of corticosteroids	4.00	1.98–8.13	<0.001
Period 1	2.49	1.22–5.08	0.01
APACHE II score ^b	1.05	1.01–1.09	0.03
Age	1.03	1.01–1.05	0.003
Treatment with an echinocandin	0.20	0.07–0.58	0.003

What is the preferred first-line empirical therapy in a non-neutropenic critically ill patient with invasive candidiasis?

The panel recommends that **echinocandins** should be used as the **first treatment option** in critically ill patients with septic shock and MOF with IC (weak recommendation, low quality of evidence)

What is the preferred first-line empirical therapy in a non-neutropenic critically ill patient with invasive candidiasis?

The panel recommends that **fluconazole** should be considered the first treatment option for critically ill patients with **low severity of disease** (i.e. without septic shock and/or MOF) in settings with **low fluconazole resistance** (strong recommendation, low quality of evidence)

In non-neutropenic critically ill patients, does **de-escalation** of antifungal therapy yield similar outcomes (in terms of clinical success and mortality) as ongoing treatment with first-line antifungal agents?

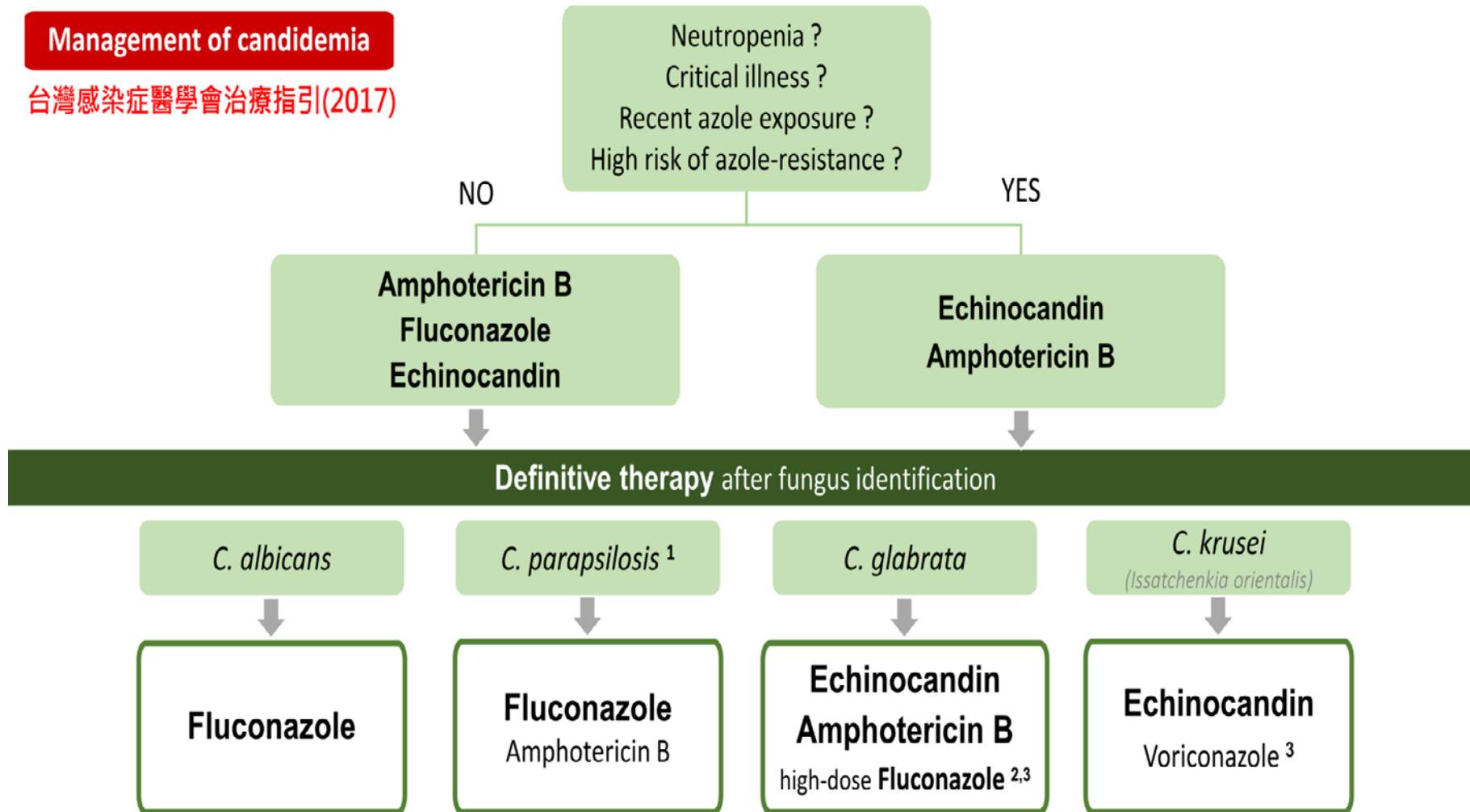
The panel recommends **de-escalating from an echinocandin to fluconazole** when the patient is clinically stable and the isolate is susceptible to fluconazole (Strong recommendation, moderate quality of evidence.)

In non-neutropenic critically ill patients, does **de-escalation** of antifungal therapy yield similar outcomes (in terms of clinical success and mortality) as ongoing treatment with first-line antifungal agents?

1. Echinocandins should not be de-escalated if **central venous catheter** or any other foreign material has **not been removed**
2. Antifungal treatment should be **stopped** in patients with suspected (but not proven) IC with **negative blood cultures** and/or other negative culture specimens taken from suspected infectious foci before starting antifungal therapy (best practice statement)

Management of candidemia

台灣感染症醫學會治療指引(2017)



1. If an echinocandin is used initially, consider changing to FCZ.
2. Continue FCZ if the patient clinically improves, and whose follow-up blood culture results are negative.
3. Changing to FCZ or VCZ is not recommended without confirmation of isolate susceptibility.

What is the recommended duration of antifungal treatment in patients with candidemia and IC?

1. The panel recommends that candidemia should be treated for **at least 14 days** after the first negative blood culture (strong recommendation, low quality of evidence)
2. The panel recommends that **adequate source control (catheter removal, appropriate drainage, surgical control)** should be performed early, if clinically feasible, in every critically ill patient with IC (strong recommendation, moderate quality of evidence)

What is the recommended duration of antifungal treatment in patients with candidemia and IC?

The panel recommends that in critically ill patients with IC and inadequate source control, the treatment duration for deep-seated infection due to *Candida* species (including endocarditis) should be individualized and based on a multidisciplinary approach (best practice statement)

Successful treatment of IC

