

A year in review in community-acquired respiratory tract infections

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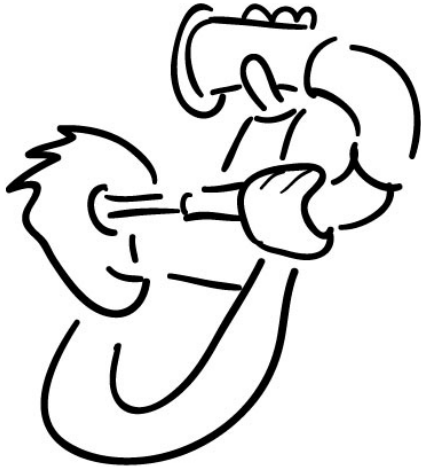
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Looking back?




- Definitions (CAP, HCAP, HAP...)?
- Risk factors...
- Predictive factors...
- Improvements in diagnostics...
- Antibiotic combinations ...
- New antibiotics?
- And what about guidelines?
- An important review
- Other questions...

CAP: community acquired pneumonia
HAP: hospital acquired pneumonia
HCAP: health care associated pneumonia

Definitions ¹

- Community-acquired pneumonia (**CAP**)
 - Patient has not been in hospital (true community)
 - No risk of HCAP
- Health-care associated pneumonia (**HCAP**)
 - Previous hospitalization (>48hrs) in the last 3 months
 - Long term care facilities
 - Domiciliary endovenous therapy
 - Chronic haemodialysis in the last 30 days
 - Domiciliary wound care
 - Close contact with a family member affected by a multidrug resistant infection
- Hospital-acquired pneumonia (**HAP**)
 - Patient hospitalized for at least 48-72h

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- Different risks
 - Different bacteria:
 - USA: *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* and MRSA
 - Europe: *Streptococcus pneumoniae* and less MDRM ²... but ...
 - Longer stay, severity and mortality
 - Need to look for MDRM

MRSA: methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*
MDRM: multidrug-resistant microorganism

¹ Proposed by the American Thoracic Society [ATS] /Infectious Diseases Society of America [IDSA] Statement: Guidelines for the management of adults with hospital-acquired, ventilator-associated, and healthcare-associated pneumonia. *Am J Respir Crit Care Med* 2005;171:388-416.

² Woodhead M. *Thorax*. 2013 Nov;68(11):985-6.

But are those correct and useful ?

Editorial

Pneumonia classification and healthcare-associated pneumonia: a new avenue or just a cul-de-sac?

Mark Woodhead

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- Initial US studies supported this classification. ¹
- However, several European studies did not find major differences in the spectrum of microbial causes between CAP and HCAP. ²
- But the HCAP concept may be useful to identify patients with a worse prognosis.
- The concept may also be applicable where resistance levels are high (USA, Asian countries...) but not in Europe.

1. Kollef MH *et al.* Epidemiology and outcomes of healthcare-associated pneumonia: results from a large US database of culture positive pneumonia. *Chest* 2005;128:3854–62.

2. See e.g. Polverino E *et al.* Nursing home-acquired pneumonia: a 10-year single-centre experience. *Thorax* 2010;65:354–9

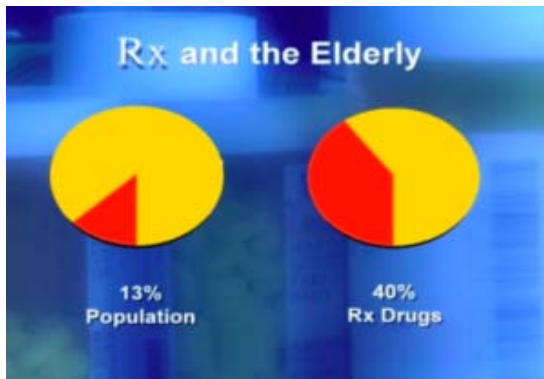
New (or well known) risk factors ?

- Multi-resistant organisms
- Co-medications ...
- Serotypes and resistance
- Aspiration pneumonia

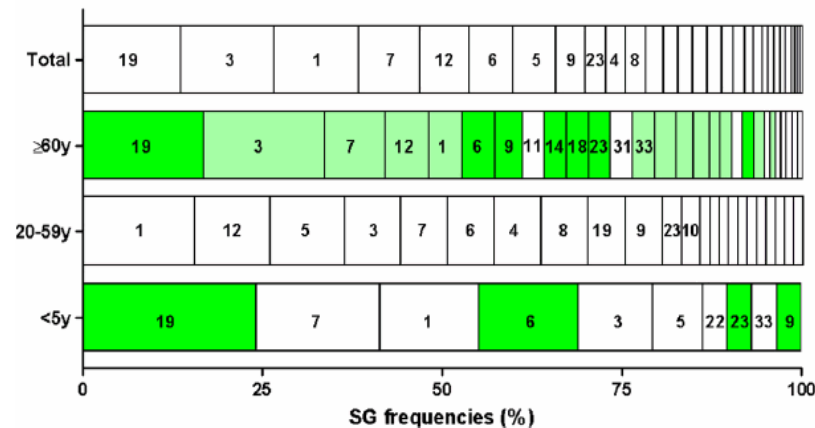


"Relax - MRSA will get you before the Asian Flu"

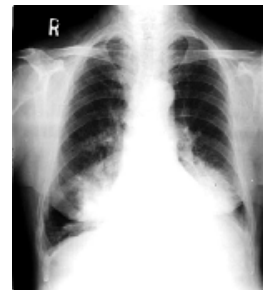
http://cooper.imb.uq.edu.au/community_background.html



Drug consumption by elderly patients in USA
<https://nccnews.expressions.syr.edu/?p=40169>



S. pneumoniae serogroups in Belgium (2007-2009)
 Lismond A *et al.* *Int J Antimicrob Agents* 2012;39:208-16



Aspiration Pneumonia
 Mineral Oil
<http://www.meddean.luc.edu/>

Multi-resistant organisms (in Europe) ...

Stratifying Risk Factors for Multidrug-Resistant Pathogens in Hospitalized Patients Coming From the Community With Pneumonia

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Aliberti S *et al. Clin Infect Dis.* 2012; 15;54:470-8.

- Observational, prospective study with 935 consecutive patients coming from the community and hospitalized with pneumonia.
- Data on admission and during hospitalization were collected.
- Logistic regression models to evaluate risk factors for acquiring MDR bacteria independently associated with the actual presence of a resistant pathogen and in-hospital mortality.

Multi-resistant organisms (in Europe) ...

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No risk factors for MDR pathogen (including comorbidities)	0
≥1 of the following: cerebrovascular disease, diabetes, COPD, antimicrobial therapy in preceding 90 days, immunosuppression, home wound care, home infusion therapy (including antibiotics)	0.5
Residence in a nursing home or extended-care facility	3
Hospitalization for ≥2 days in the preceding 90 days	4
Chronic renal failure	5

Abbreviations: COPD, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; MDR, multidrug-resistant.

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Table 5. Independent Predictors for In-Hospital Mortality in the Study Population

Variable	OR (95% CI)	P Value
Hospitalization for ≥2 days in the preceding 90 days	1.63 (1.04–2.54)	.034
Residency in a nursing home or extended-care facility	2.83 (1.54–5.21)	.001
Pneumonia severity index	2.19 (1.58–3.03)	<.001
Severe CAP	2.52 (1.61–3.93)	<.001

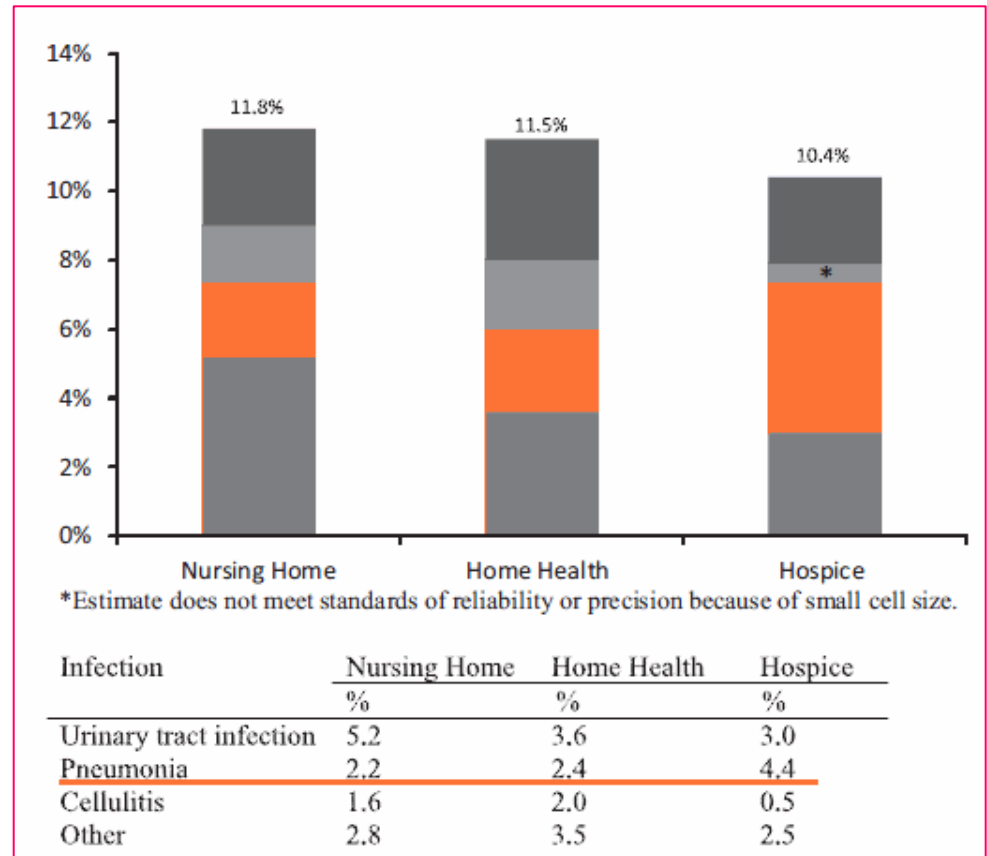
Abbreviations: CAP, community-acquired pneumonia; CI, confidence interval; OR, odds ratio.

The risk of health care and polymedication for the elderly

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Table 3. Prevalence of Infections in Nursing Home (NH) Residents, Individuals Receiving Home Health Care (HHC), and Individuals Receiving Hospice Care

	NH Residents	Individuals Receiving HHC	Individuals Receiving Hospice Care
Characteristic	Point Prevalence (95% Confidence Interval)		
Location before admission or at time of care ^b			
Private residence	9.5 (8.4–10.8) ^a	N/A	6.5 (5.0–8.4)
Assisted living, board and care, group home, residential care ^c	9.7 (7.6–12.3) ^a	N/A	—
NH, hospital skilled nursing facility, rehabilitation facility	11.3 (9.8–12.8) ^a	N/A	14.5 (11.0–18.9)
Number of medications received at time of survey interview			
<10 (reference)	11.0 (10.0–12.0)	8.9 (6.9–11.3)	11.0 (8.7–13.9)
≥ 10	13.0 (11.8–14.3) ^a	13.9 (11.3–17.0) ^f	9.8 (7.6–12.5)

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Key messages

What is the key question?

- To what extent do host and bacterial factors contribute to mortality in bacteraemic pneumococcal pneumonia?

What is the bottom line?

- This study shows that host factors such as age, alcohol abuse, liver disease, renal disease and solid tumour contribute to mortality in patients with bacteraemic pneumococcal pneumonia, while the association between pneumococcal serotype and mortality is mitigated by adjustment for host factors.

Why read on?

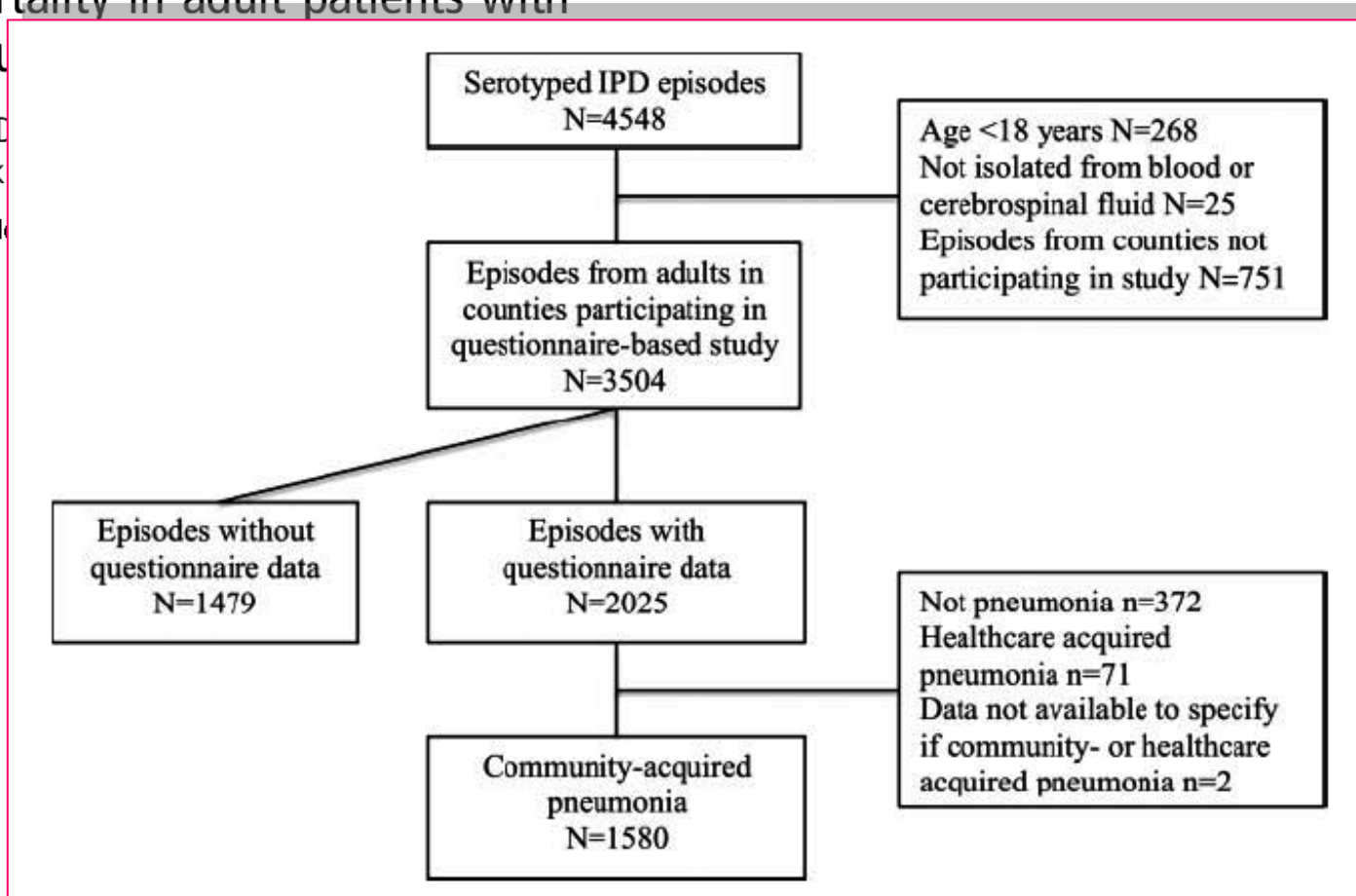
- These findings suggest that host factors appear to be more important than specific serotype as determinants of mortality in patients with bacteraemic pneumococcal pneumonia, which supports targeted intervention strategies.

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Not too much of a surprise

Table 1 Host factors associated with 30-day mortality in patients with bacteraemic pneumococcal pneumonia

	No of patients (column %)	No of deaths (row %)	Crude OR (95% CI)	Adjusted OR* (95% CI)
Age				
≥85	203 (12.9)	52 (26.1)	26.74 (8.20 to 87.12)	29.43 (9.00 to 96.27)
75–84	323 (20.4)	40 (12.4)	10.69 (3.27 to 35.02)	11.30 (3.45 to 37.06)
65–74	301 (19.1)	25 (8.3)	6.85 (2.04 to 22.99)	7.10 (2.12 to 23.85)
55–64	341 (21.6)	20 (5.9)	4.71 (1.38 to 16.05)	4.84 (1.42 to 16.49)
45–54	182 (11.5)	6 (3.3)	2.58 (0.64 to 10.46)	2.59 (0.64 to 10.50)
<45	230 (14.6)	3 (1.3)	1.00 (ref)	1.00 (ref)
≥65	827 (52.3)	118 (14.3)	4.16 (2.73 to 6.32)	4.29 (2.82 to 6.54)
<65	753 (47.7)	29 (3.9)	1.00 (ref)	1.00 (ref)
Alcohol abuse				
Yes	113 (7.2)	18 (15.9)	2.39 (1.40 to 4.08)	3.82 (1.85 to 7.85)
No	1214 (76.8)	93 (7.7)	1.00 (ref)	1.00 (ref)
N/S	253 (16.0)	36 (14.2)		

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Table 2 Thirty-day mortality risk according to serotype and antibiotic resistance in patients

	No of patients (column %)	No of deaths (row %)	Crude OR (95% CI)	Adjusted OR† (95% CI)
Individual serotype				
9V	191 (12.1)	10 (5.2)	0.62 (0.28 to 1.40)	0.83 (0.36 to 1.93)
7F	177 (11.2)	4 (2.3)	0.26 (0.09 to 0.79)	0.51 (0.16 to 1.59)
4	158 (10.0)	8 (5.1)	0.60 (0.25 to 1.43)	0.88 (0.36 to 2.16)
3	142 (9.0)	17 (12.9)	1.54 (0.76 to 3.12)	1.85 (0.87 to 3.93)
23F	97 (6.1)	11 (11.3)	1.44 (0.65 to 3.21)	1.23 (0.54 to 2.81)
22F	79 (5.0)	7 (8.9)	1.10 (0.44 to 2.76)	1.25 (0.48 to 3.23)
6B	78 (4.9)	15 (19.2)	2.69 (1.27 to 5.69)	2.09 (0.96 to 4.57)
6A	76 (4.8)	10 (13.1)	1.71 (0.75 to 3.92)	1.17 (0.49 to 2.75)
19A	55 (3.5)	4 (7.3)	0.89 (0.29 to 2.75)	0.69 (0.21 to 2.22)
14	209 (13.2)	17 (8.3)	1.00 (ref)	1.00 (ref)
Other	318 (20.1)	44 (13.8)	—	—
Serotype category according to CFR‡				
High	509 (32.2)	63 (12.4)	3.28 (1.89 to 5.70)	1.63 (0.89 to 2.98)
Medium	484 (30.6)	35 (7.2)	1.81 (1.00 to 3.28)	1.27 (0.67 to 2.42)
Low	412 (26.1)	17 (4.1)	1.00 (ref)*	1.00 (ref)**
Serotype category according to invasiveness§				
Low	461 (29.2)	58 (12.6)	4.21 (1.89 to 9.40)	1.67 (0.70 to 4.00)
Medium	591 (37.4)	40 (6.8)	2.13 (0.94 to 4.82)	1.19 (0.49 to 2.87)
High	212 (13.4)	7 (3.3)	1.00 (ref)*	1.00 (ref)***
PCV 13 serotypes ¶				
Yes	1277 (80.8)	107 (8.4)	0.60 (0.41 to 0.89)	0.78 (0.51 to 1.19)
No	303 (19.2)	40 (13.2)	1.00 (ref)	1.00 (ref)
Penicillin non-susceptible††				
Yes	45 (2.9)	6 (13.3)	1.52 (0.63 to 3.65)	1.07 (0.42 to 2.74)
No	1535 (97.2)	141 (9.2)	1.00 (ref)	1.00 (ref)
Erythromycin non-susceptible††				
Yes	69 (4.4)	5 (7.4)	0.75 (0.30 to 1.90)	0.83 (0.32 to 2.16)
No	1511 (95.6)	141 (9.4)	1.00 (ref)	1.00 (ref)

Wow !

CAP: community
acquired
pneumonia

See notes in
back-up slides

Aspiration pneumonia as a specific risk...

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SUMMARY AT A GLANCE

Aspiration pneumonia, which is defined as having risk factors for aspiration and evidence of gravity-dependent opacities on CT, was strongly associated with mortality after adjusting for the category of pneumonia, performance status and treatment failure due to resistant pathogens.

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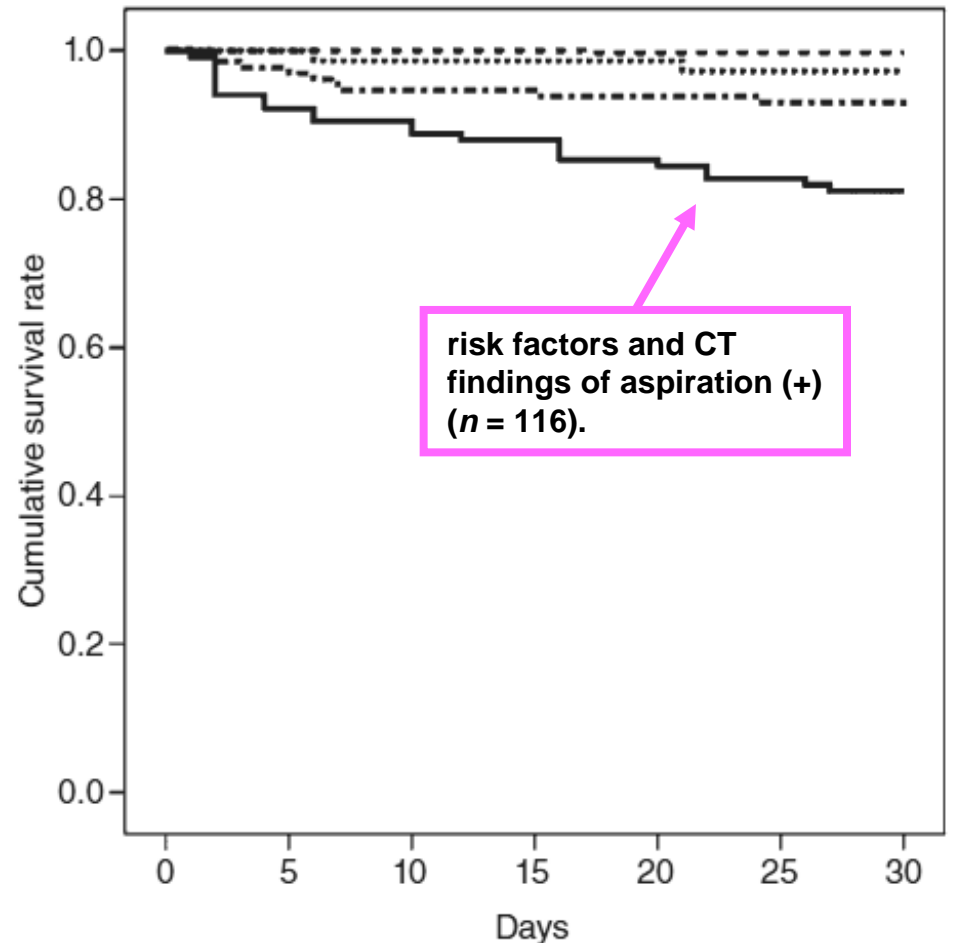
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CT: computed tomography

New Prognostic factors

Background:

- PSI and CURB65/CRB65 are not 100% sensitive or specific
- There is a definite percentage of patients with poor evolution that do not show initial severity, which leads to a delay in ICU admission
- These patients have two-fold mortality and it is therefore important to detect them very early

- Thrombocytosis
- Hyperglycaemia
- Vitamin D

Thrombocytosis as prognostic factor



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Thrombocytosis Is a Marker of Poor Outcome in Community-Acquired Pneumonia

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Prina E *et al. Chest.* 2013 Mar;143(3):767-75

- 2423 hospitalized CAP patients
- 53 thrombocytopenia ($< 100,000/ \text{mm}^3$), 204 thrombocytosis ($> 400,000/ \text{mm}^3$)
- More respiratory complications with thrombocytosis, more septic shock with thrombocytopenia
- Thrombocytosis added to mortality (OR 2.7), but there was a biphasic relationship

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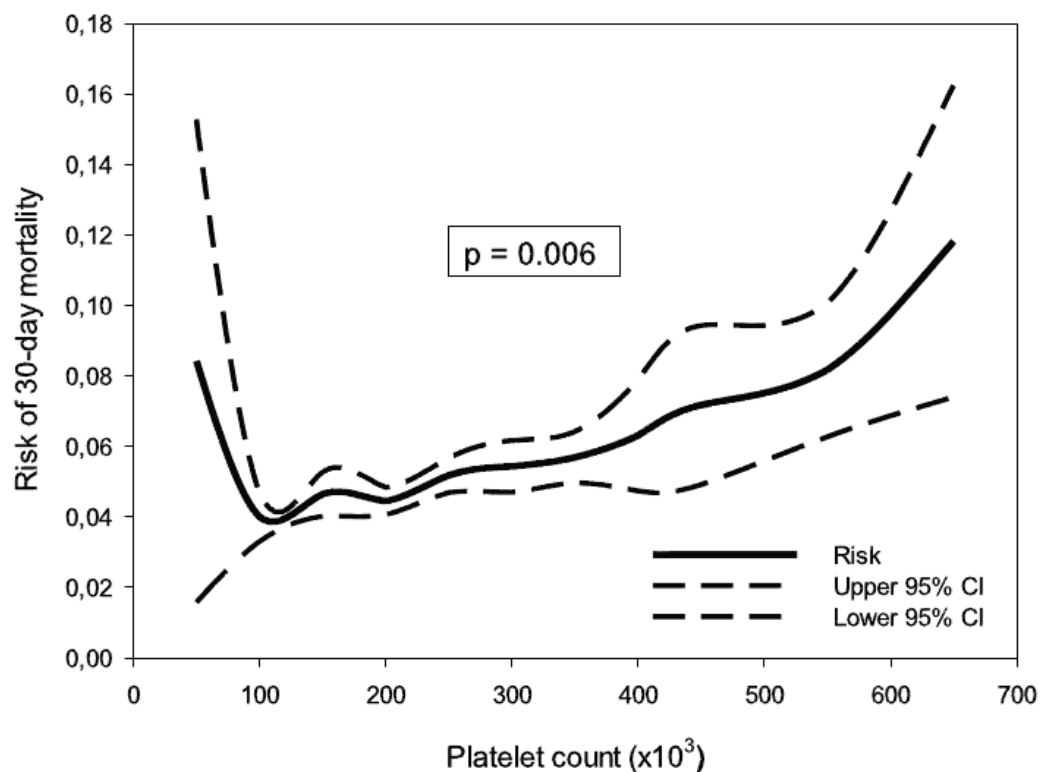


FIGURE 2. Multivariate logistic regression model to evaluate the association between platelet count as a continuous variable and mortality.

Glucose as a predictive factor...

Lepper PM *et al. BMJ.* 2012;344:e3397.

Serum glucose levels for predicting death in patients admitted to hospital for community acquired pneumonia: prospective cohort study



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Increased serum glucose level at admission without pre-existing diabetes was a predictor of death at 28 and 90 days:

- 6-10.99 mmol/L → OR 90 days mortality: 1.56 [1.22 to 2.01]
- >14 mmol/L → OR 90 days mortality: 2.37 (1.62 to 3.46)

Higher serum glucose levels were associated with increased mortality in all patients

Adding vitamin D levels to other scores

Addition of Vitamin D Status to Prognostic Scores Improves the Prediction of Outcome in Community-Acquired Pneumonia

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Remmelts HHF *et al. Clin Infect Dis.* 2012; 55:1488-94.

- 272 hospitalized patients with CAP.
- At admission:
 - Levels of 25-hydroxyvitamin D, leukocytes, C-reactive protein, and total cortisol
 - Pneumonia Severity Index (PSI) and CURB-65 measured on admission.
- Outcomes:
 - intensive care unit (ICU) admission
 - 30-day mortality.

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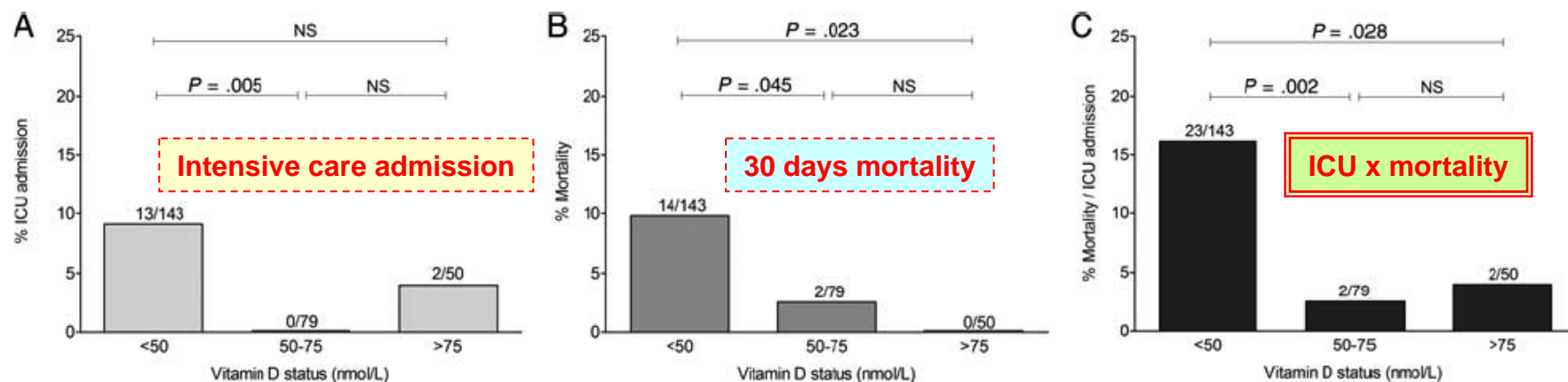


Figure 2. The rate of intensive care unit admission (A), 30-day mortality (B), and the composite endpoint mortality/ICU admission (C) stratified by serum 25-hydroxyvitamin D levels measured on presentation in patients with community-acquired pneumonia. Numbers above the bars indicate the number of patients with an adverse outcome. Abbreviations: ICU, intensive care unit; NS, not significant.

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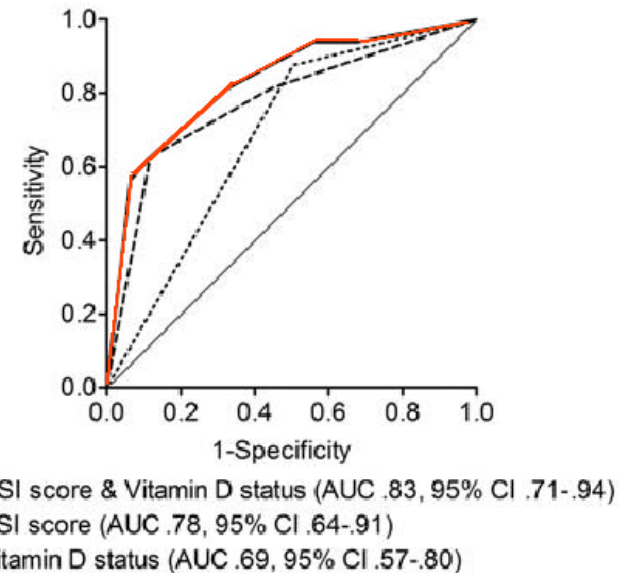
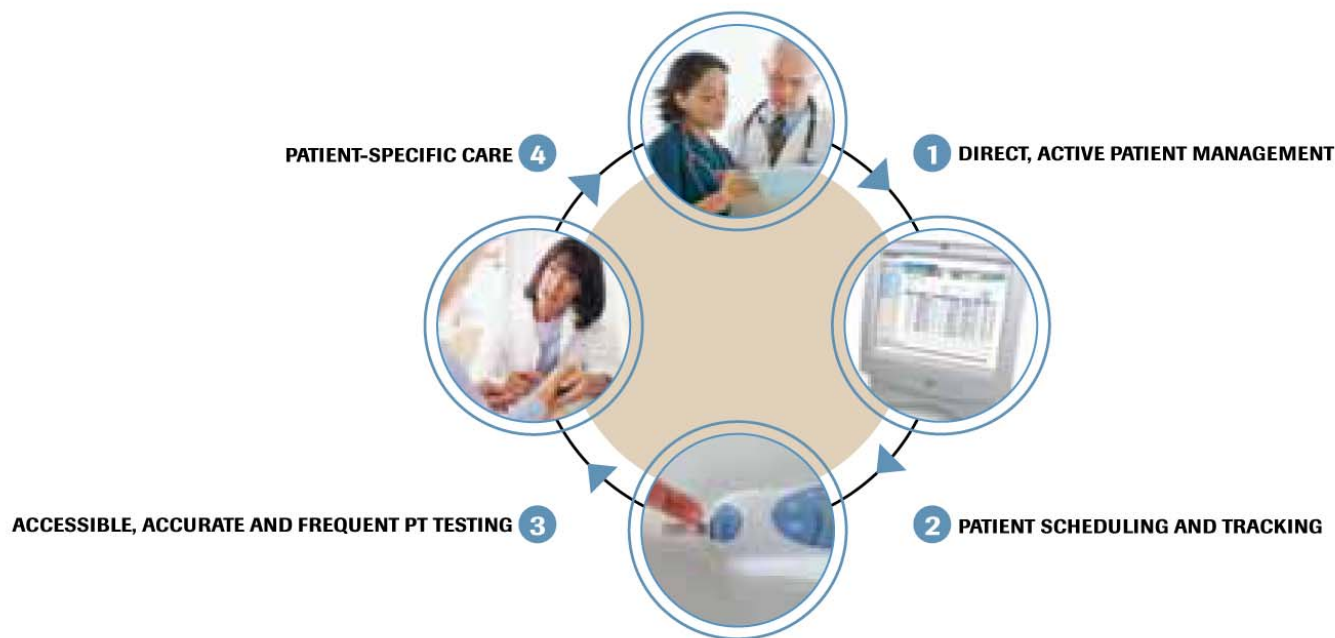


Figure 3. Receiver operating characteristic curve analysis of the prediction of 30-day mortality by Pneumonia Severity Index (PSI) score, vitamin D status, and the combined model "PSI score & vitamin D status." Data from day of admission are shown. Abbreviations: AUC, area under the curve; CI, confidence interval; PSI, Pneumonia Severity Index.

- Vitamin D deficiency is associated with adverse outcome in CAP.
- Vitamin D status on presentation is a significant predictor for 30-day mortality, and more specific when combined with other biomarkers or prognostic scores.
- Vitamin D supplementation might be a promising candidate for adjuvant treatment in CAP.

Improvements in diagnostics ...



<http://www.roche-diagnostics.us/PublishingImages/coagImage1.png>
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➤ Point of care Ultrasonography

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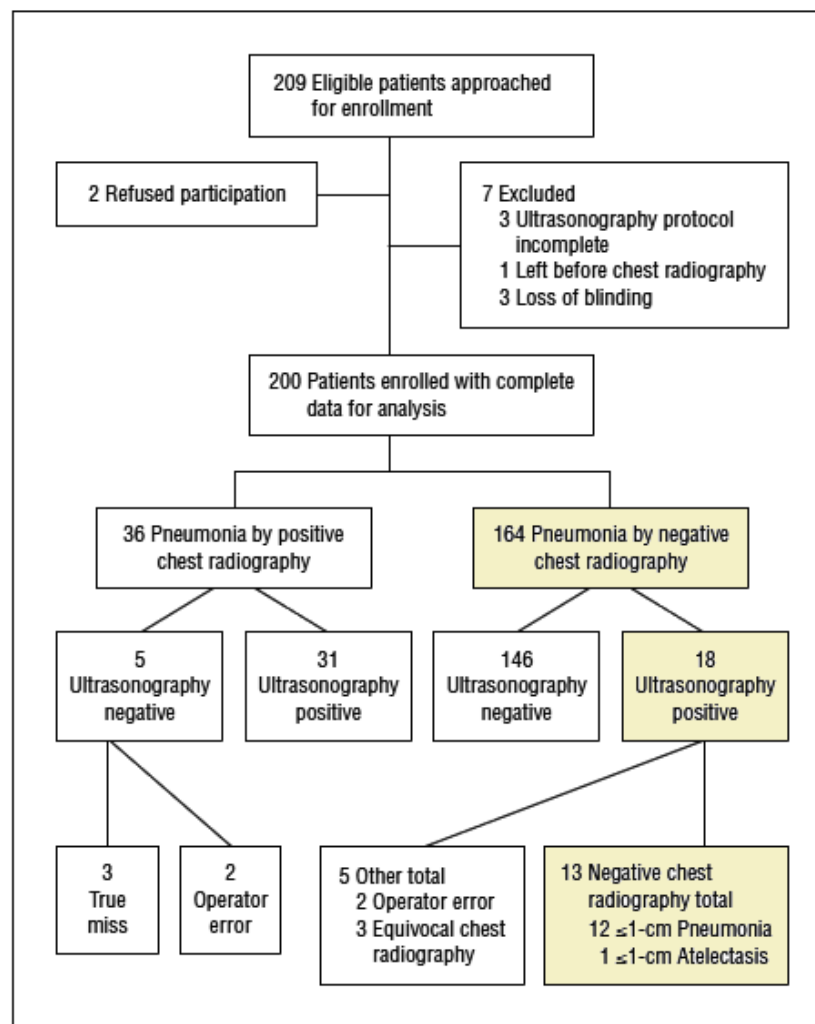


Figure 3. Standards for Reporting of Diagnostic Accuracy¹⁷ flowchart.

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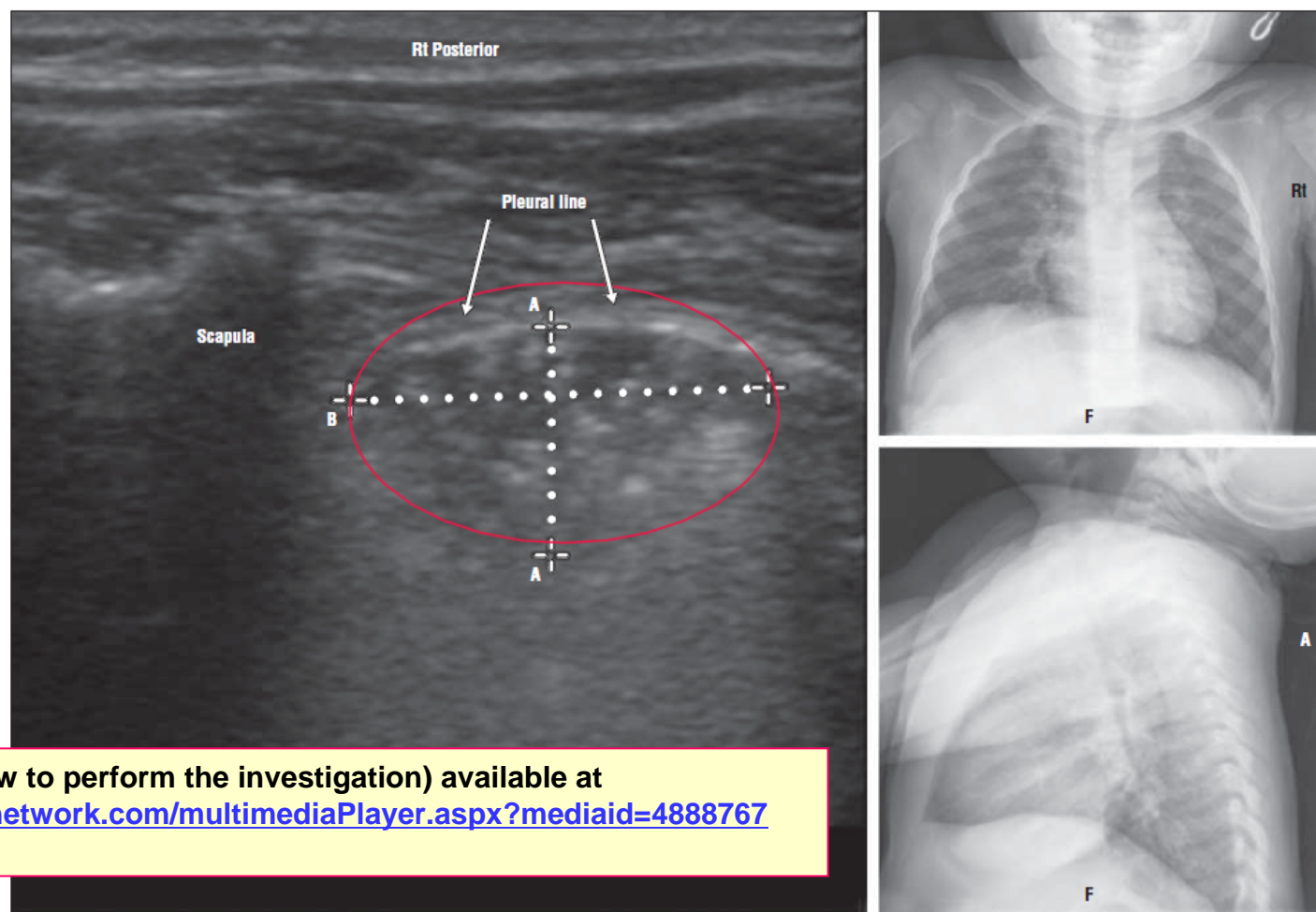


Figure 2. Lung consolidation of 1 cm or less with sonographic air bronchograms on ultrasonography not detected by chest radiography. F indicates frontal view; RT, right; and red oval, lung consolidation. A is caliper A measurement, and B is caliper B measurement.

Antibiotic combinations...

- The controversy about the necessity to add a macrolide to a β -lactam continues...



Medical controversies by Honoré Daumier (1837)

From '*Histoire de la médecine et des médecins*' by J.C. Sournia (Ed. Larousse, Paris, 1991)

Adding a macrolide in adults?



AUDIT, RESEARCH AND GUIDELINE UPDATE

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- 5240 adults hospitalised with CAP from 72 secondary care trusts across England and Wales.
- The overall 30-day inpatient (IP) death rate was 24.4%.
- Combination therapy was prescribed in 3239 (61.8%) patients.

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Table 1 Multivariate analyses of the association between antibiotic therapy and clinical outcomes

Outcome measures	Total (n=5240)	β -lactam therapy (n=2001)	β -lactam/ macrolide therapy (n=3239)	Adjusted OR (95% CI)	p Value
30 day IP death rate	1281 (24.4)	536 (26.8)	745 (23.0)	0.72 (0.60 to 0.85)*	<0.001
ICU admission	419 (8)	136 (6.8)	282 (8.7)	0.94 (0.72 to 1.22)†	0.635
Need for MV	151 (2.9)	58 (2.9)	93 (2.9)	0.99 (0.71 to 1.38)†	0.508
Need for INS	130 (2.5)	42 (2.1)	88 (2.7)	0.87 (0.55 to 1.38)†	0.544
30-day IP death rate stratified by pneumonia severity					
Low severity (CURB65=0–1)	201/2247 (8.9)	95/908 (10.5)	106/1339 (7.9)	0.80 (0.56 to 1.16)‡	0.238
Moderate severity (CURB65=2)	370/1480 (25)	171/561 (30.5)	199/919 (21.7)	0.54 (0.41 to 0.72)‡	<0.001
High severity (CURB65≥3)	710/1513 (46.9)	270/532 (50.8)	440/981 (44.9)	0.76 (0.60 to 0.96)‡	0.025

IP: in-patient - MV: mechanic ventilation – INS: intropic support – CURB65: see asbtract and Lim *et al.* *Thorax* 2003; 58:377–82

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ORIGINAL
ARTICLES

Comparative Effectiveness of Empiric β -Lactam Monotherapy and β -Lactam–Macrolide Combination Therapy in Children Hospitalized with Community-Acquired Pneumonia

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Ambroggio L *et al.* *J Pediatr.* 2012;161:1097-103.

- 20743 patients hospitalized with CAP.
- 24% received b-lactam and macrolide combination therapy on admission.

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Age category, y		
1-5	N/A	0.96 (0.86-1.06)
6-11	N/A	0.85 (0.79-0.91)
12-18	N/A	0.69 (0.49-0.98)
Monotherapy		
Aminopenicillin	Reference	Reference
Second-generation cephalosporin	1.06 (0.96-1.17)	1.01 (0.91-1.12)
Third-generation cephalosporin	1.16 (1.05-1.28)	1.03 (0.94-1.14)
Combination therapy		
Aminopenicillin + macrolide	Reference	Reference
Second-generation cephalosporin + macrolide	1.03 (0.93-1.15)	1.01 (0.90-1.13)
Third-generation cephalosporin + macrolide	0.88 (0.77-1.01)	0.91 (0.79-1.04)

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Authors' final words:

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New antibiotics?



**THEME: COMBATTING ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE:
NEWDRUGS4BADBUGS (ND4BB)**

But for
today ...

- Ceftaroline

Is ceftaroline a useful new antibiotic for CAP?

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Clinical Study

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Table 2

Clinical and microbiological response rates in patients with *Streptococcus pneumoniae* as a baseline pathogen in the integrated FOCUS studies (mMITTE population).

Response rates by pathogen	Ceftaroline fosamil, n/N (%)	Ceftriaxone, n/N (%)	Weighted difference, % (95% CI)
Clinical cure			
All <i>S. pneumoniae</i> (baseline isolates)	59/69 (85.5)	48/70 (68.6)	$P = 0.009$ 17.0 (2.9 to 30.7)
MDRSP	4/4 (100)	2/9 (22.2)	77.8 (N/A)
Positive by urinary antigen only	25/28 (89.3)	23/31 (74.2)	15.1 (−5.7 to 34.9)
Positive by culture ^a	34/41 (82.9)	25/39 (64.1)	18.9 (−0.7 to 37.7)
Plus atypical pathogens	8/10 (80.0)	6/9 (66.7)	13.3 (−27.3 to 51.3)
Favorable^b microbiological response			
All <i>S. pneumoniae</i> (baseline isolates)	60/69 (87.0)	51/70 (72.9)	$P = 0.0003$ 14.1 (0.6 to 27.4)
MDRSP	4/4 (100)	4/9 (44.4)	55.6 (N/A)
Positive by urinary antigen only	25/28 (89.3)	23/31 (74.2)	15.1 (−5.7 to 34.9)
Positive by culture ^a	35/41 (85.4)	28/39 (71.8)	13.5 (−4.8 to 31.8)

CI = confidence interval; MDRSP = multidrug-resistant *S. pneumoniae*, defined as *S. pneumoniae* strains resistant to ≥ 2 antimicrobial classes; mMITTE = modified microbiological intent-to-treat efficacy; N/A = not available.

^a Includes *S. pneumoniae* isolates that were identified from a respiratory or blood specimen.

^b Eradicated or presumed eradicated.

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Table 3

Clinical response rates by baseline ceftaroline fosamil and ceftriaxone MIC for CABP isolates of *Streptococcus pneumoniae* in the integrated FOCUS studies (mMITTE population).

Baseline ceftriaxone MIC (μ g/mL)	Total	
	Ceftaroline fosamil, n/N (%)	Ceftriaxone, n/N (%)
≤ 0.015	6/7 (85.7)	4/4 (100)
0.03	20/25 (80.0)	13/19 (68.4)
0.06	3/4 (75.0)	1/1 (100)
0.12	1/1 (100)	0/1 (0)
0.25	0	4/6 (66.7)
1	1/1 (100)	0/4 (0)
2	1/1 (100)	1/1 (100)

CABP = Community-acquired bacterial pneumonia.

What are the indications for ceftaroline*?

1.2 Community-Acquired Bacterial Pneumonia

Teflaro is indicated for the treatment of community-acquired bacterial pneumonia (CABP) caused by susceptible isolates of the following Gram-positive and Gram-negative microorganisms: *Streptococcus pneumoniae* (including cases with concurrent bacteremia), *Staphylococcus aureus* (methicillin-susceptible isolates only), *Haemophilus influenzae*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Klebsiella oxytoca*, and *Escherichia coli*.



4.1 Therapeutic indications

Zinforo is indicated in adults for the treatment of the following infections (see sections 4.4 and 5.1):

- Community-acquired pneumonia (CAP)

Consideration should be given to official guidance on the appropriate use of antibacterial agents.



Teflaro prescribing information (USA) available at:
http://www.frx.com/pi/teflaro_pi.pdf accessed on 6/10/13

* in relation to respiratory tract infections

Zinforo Summary of Product Characteristics available at:
http://www.ema.europa.eu/docs/en_GB/document_library/EPAR_-_Product_Information/human/002252/WC500132586.pdf accessed on 6/10/13

What is new about guidelines?



<http://pharmamkting.blogspot.com/2010/10/call-for-pharma-social-media.html> accessed on 5/11/13

- Do they change something in your practice?

Guidelines in paediatrics

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43 freestanding tertiary care children's hospitals with emergency departments located in noncompeting markets of 27 states plus the District of Columbia and accounting for 15% of all pediatric hospitalizations in the United States in 2009 (677 291 of 4 508 323 admissions)



WHAT'S KNOWN ON THIS SUBJECT: There are limited data on current testing and treatment patterns for children hospitalized with pneumonia, and on whether institutional guidelines affect care.



WHAT THIS STUDY ADDS: The use of institutional clinical practice guidelines was not associated with changes in diagnostic testing, hospital length of stay, or costs for children hospitalized with pneumonia, but was associated with increased use of narrow-spectrum antibiotics.

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Guidelines
seem not
very useful...

TABLE 3 Outcomes of Patients Based on Presence of a Pneumonia CPG

Group	Median [IQR]	P	Mean Difference (95% CI)	P ^a
Length of hospitalization, d				
No guideline	2 [1–3]	.269	Ref	
Guideline	2 [1–3]		–0.05 (–0.29 to 0.20)	.745
Total cost, index hospitalization, \$				
No guideline	10 015 [6304–15 931]	.773	Ref	
Guideline	9361 [6274–14 989]		1667 (–1747 to 5081)	.339
Total cost, episode of illness, \$				
No guideline	13 265 [6477–16 281]	.553	Ref	
Guideline	9478 [6332–15 292]		1843 (–1861 to 5547)	.329
Group	Percent (95% CI)	P	OR (95% CI)	P ^b
Readmission rate, %				
No guideline	2.3 (2.0–2.6)	.367	Ref	
Guideline	2.1 (1.7–2.5)		0.89 (0.69 to 1.14)	.396

^a P values comparing medians are unadjusted and aggregate (combining across hospitals).

^b P values are adjusted for hospital clustering.

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But OK for penicillins...
in a few hospitals

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TABLE 5 Antimicrobial Use Based on CPG Specific Recommendations

Group	Hospitals, <i>n</i> (%)	Patients, <i>n</i>	% Received	<i>P</i> ^a	OR (95% CI)	<i>P</i> ^b
Penicillin/Aminopenicillins						
No CPG	28 (68.3)	13 265	23.9	<.0001	Ref	
CPG: recommend as first-line agent	7 (17.1)	3710	46.3		2.7 (1.4–5.5)	.005
CPG: not addressed	6 (14.6)	2735	19.8		0.8 (0.5–1.3)	.37
Macrolide (>5 y old)						
No CPG	28 (68.3)	4013	55.2	<.0001	Ref	
CPG: recommends macrolide use for children ≥5 y	10 (24.4)	1633	58.2		1.1 (0.7–1.9)	.64
CPG: no recommendation for macrolide use	3 (7.3)	286	41.3		0.6 (0.3–0.9)	.026

^a *P* values comparing differences in proportion of patients receiving antibiotics based on specific mention in the CPG are unadjusted and aggregate (combining across hospitals).

^b *P* values are adjusted for hospital clustering.

And to finish: an important review...

Major advances in managing community-acquired pneumonia

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Abstract

This article is a non-systematic review of selected recent publications in community-acquired pneumonia, including a comparison of various guidelines. Risk stratification of patients has recently been advanced by the addition of several useful biomarkers. The issue of single versus dual antibiotic treatment remains controversial and awaits a conclusive randomized controlled trial. However, in the meantime, there is a working consensus that more severe patients should receive dual therapy.

Asrar Khan & Woodhead F1000Prime Rep. 2013 Oct 1;5:43.

Other questions (no time to address them but ask questions ...)

- Does the new conjugated vaccine effectively cover important serotypes such as those associated with pleural effusion and non-invasive pneumococcal pneumonia
 - **Yes, but bacteria "adapt" to the new situation...**
- Is the administration of corticosteroids in CAP useful and safe
 - **This remains disputable (and disputed...)**
- Are fluoroquinolones better than macrolides in the empirical treatment of CAP
 - **They probably are but with a low margin...**

Back-up slides

Table 2 Thirty-day mortality risk according to serotype and antibiotic resistance in patients with bacteraemic pneumococcal pneumonia

	No of patients (column %)	No of deaths (row %)	Crude OR (95% CI)	Adjusted OR† (95% CI)
Individual serotype				
9V	191 (12.1)	10 (5.2)	0.62 (0.28 to 1.40)	0.83 (0.36 to 1.93)
7F	177 (11.2)	4 (2.3)	0.26 (0.09 to 0.79)	0.51 (0.16 to 1.59)
4	158 (10.0)	8 (5.1)	0.60 (0.25 to 1.43)	0.88 (0.36 to 2.16)
3	142 (9.0)	17 (12.9)	1.54 (0.76 to 3.12)	1.85 (0.87 to 3.93)
23F	97 (6.1)	11 (11.3)	1.44 (0.65 to 3.21)	1.23 (0.54 to 2.81)
22F	79 (5.0)	7 (8.9)	1.10 (0.44 to 2.76)	1.25 (0.48 to 3.23)
6B	78 (4.9)	15 (19.2)	2.69 (1.27 to 5.69)	2.09 (0.96 to 4.57)
6A	76 (4.8)	10 (13.1)	1.71 (0.75 to 3.92)	1.17 (0.49 to 2.75)
19A	55 (3.5)	4 (7.3)	0.89 (0.29 to 2.75)	0.69 (0.21 to 2.22)
14	209 (13.2)	17 (8.3)	1.00 (ref)	1.00 (ref)
Other	318 (20.1)	44 (13.8)	—	—
Serotype category according to CFR‡				
High	509 (32.2)	63 (12.4)	3.28 (1.89 to 5.70)	1.63 (0.89 to 2.98)
Medium	484 (30.6)	35 (7.2)	1.81 (1.00 to 3.28)	1.27 (0.67 to 2.42)
Low	412 (26.1)	17 (4.1)	1.00 (ref)*	1.00 (ref)**
Serotype category according to invasiveness§				
Low	461 (29.2)	58 (12.6)	4.21 (1.89 to 9.40)	1.67 (0.70 to 4.00)
Medium	591 (37.4)	40 (6.8)	2.13 (0.94 to 4.82)	1.19 (0.49 to 2.87)
High	212 (13.4)	7 (3.3)	1.00 (ref)*	1.00 (ref)***
PCV 13 serotypes ¶				
Yes	1277 (80.8)	107 (8.4)	0.60 (0.41 to 0.89)	0.78 (0.51 to 1.19)
No	303 (19.2)	40 (13.2)	1.00 (ref)	1.00 (ref)
Penicillin non-susceptible††				
Yes	45 (2.9)	6 (13.3)	1.52 (0.63 to 3.65)	1.07 (0.42 to 2.74)
No	1535 (97.2)	141 (9.2)	1.00 (ref)	1.00 (ref)
Erythromycin non-susceptible††				
Yes	69 (4.4)	5 (7.4)	0.75 (0.30 to 1.90)	0.83 (0.32 to 2.16)
No	1511 (95.6)	141 (9.4)	1.00 (ref)	

Significant results in bold.

p Value trend: * <0.001 , **0.09, ***0.11.†Adjusted ORs: individual serotypes and antibiotic resistance adjusted for age, sex and Charlson Index score; grouped serotypes adjusted for age, sex, smoking, alcohol and comorbidities associated with mortality at a p value of <0.1 in univariate analyses (ie, heart disease, pulmonary disease, liver disease, renal disease and solid tumour).‡Serotypes classified as associated with low (serotype 1, 4, 5, 7F, 8), medium (serotypes 9V, 12F, 14, 22F) and high (serotypes 3, 6A, 6B, 9N, 19A, 19F, 23F) case fatality rate in a recent meta-analysis.⁹ There were 175 patients infected with serotypes not included in this classification.§Serotypes classified as associated with high (serotype 1, 5 and 7F), medium (serotype 4, 9V, 14 and 18C) and low (serotype 3, 6A, 6B, 8, 19F and 23F) invasiveness.^{8, 15} There were 316 patients infected with serotypes not included in this classification.

¶Serotypes included in 13-valent pneumococcal conjugate vaccine: 1, 3, 4, 5, 6A, 6B, 7F, 9V, 14, 18C, 19A, 19F and 23F.

††Non-susceptibility for penicillin was defined as minimal inhibitory concentration ≥ 0.12 mg/l and for erythromycin a zone diameter of ≤ 21 mm.²²

CFR, case-fatality rates; PCV, pneumococcal vaccine.

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Table 1 Multivariate analyses of the association between antibiotic therapy and clinical outcomes

Outcome measures	Total (n=5240)	β -lactam therapy (n=2001)	β -lactam/ macrolide therapy (n=3239)	Adjusted OR (95% CI)	p Value
30 day IP death rate	1281 (24.4)	536 (26.8)	745 (23.0)	0.72 (0.60 to 0.85)*	<0.001
ICU admission	419 (8)	136 (6.8)	282 (8.7)	0.94 (0.72 to 1.22)†	0.635
Need for MV	151 (2.9)	58 (2.9)	93 (2.9)	0.99 (0.71 to 1.38)†	0.508
Need for INS	130 (2.5)	42 (2.1)	88 (2.7)	0.87 (0.55 to 1.38)†	0.544
30-day IP death rate stratified by pneumonia severity					
Low severity (CURB65=0–1)	201/2247 (8.9)	95/908 (10.5)	106/1339 (7.9)	0.80 (0.56 to 1.16)‡	0.238
Moderate severity (CURB65=2)	370/1480 (25)	171/561 (30.5)	199/919 (21.7)	0.54 (0.41 to 0.72)‡	<0.001
High severity (CURB65≥3)	710/1513 (46.9)	270/532 (50.8)	440/981 (44.9)	0.76 (0.60 to 0.96)‡	0.025

Values given as n (%).

*OR adjusted for age, sex, binary variables within CURB65 excluding age (confusion, urea>7 mmol/l, respiratory rate ≥30/min, systolic blood pressure<90 mmHg or diastolic blood pressure ≤60 mmHg), individual comorbidities, intravenous antibiotic use, nursing home residency and ICU admission.

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‡OR adjusted for sex, individual comorbidities, intravenous antibiotic use, nursing home residency and ICU admission.

ICU, intensive care unit; IP, inpatient; MV, mechanical ventilation; INS, inotropic support.

Table IV. LOS according to empiric antibiotic therapy

Antibiotic category	Unadjusted relative risk (95% CI)	Adjusted relative risk (95% CI) ^{*,†,‡}
Main analysis		
Monotherapy	Reference	Reference
Combination therapy	0.91 (0.87-0.96)	0.80 (0.75-0.86)
Age category, y		
1-5	N/A	0.96 (0.86-1.06)
6-11	N/A	0.85 (0.79-0.91)
12-18	N/A	0.69 (0.49-0.98)
Monotherapy		
Aminopenicillin	Reference	Reference
Second-generation cephalosporin	1.06 (0.96-1.17)	1.01 (0.91-1.12)
Third-generation cephalosporin	1.16 (1.05-1.28)	1.03 (0.94-1.14)
Combination therapy		
Aminopenicillin + macrolide	Reference	Reference
Second-generation cephalosporin + macrolide	1.03 (0.93-1.15)	1.01 (0.90-1.13)
Third-generation cephalosporin + macrolide	0.88 (0.77-1.01)	0.91 (0.79-1.04)

*Results for main analysis were adjusted for age category, principal payer, prior hospitalization for asthma, receipt of chronic asthma therapy, systemic corticosteroid medication, β -agonist therapy, testing for arterial blood gases, intensive imaging testing, and interaction of therapy and age. The results are also stratified by age as the interaction of therapy and age was statistically significant.

†Results for monotherapy subanalysis were adjusted for age, principal payer, prior hospitalization for asthma, receipt of chronic asthma therapy, systemic corticosteroid medication, β -agonist therapy, testing for arterial blood gases, and intensive imaging testing.

‡Results for combination therapy subanalysis were adjusted for age, principal payer, prior hospitalization for asthma, receipt of chronic asthma therapy, systemic corticosteroid medication, β -agonist therapy, testing for arterial blood gases, and intensive imaging testing.