

# Bloodstream infections in solid-organ transplant recipients



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Bacterial infections now constitute the most frequent complication among solid organ transplant recipient, having overtaken classical opportunistic infections

Bloodstream infections (BSI) occur in over one-third of SOT recipients and are associated with high rate of mortality, almost reaching 50% when accompanied by septic shock

The management of BSI in SOT recipients is one of the most challenging clinical issues today

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

# **Changing trends in the aetiology, treatment and outcomes of bloodstream infection occurring in the first year after solid organ transplantation: a single-centre prospective cohort study**

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**Table 3.** Causative organisms of all episodes of bloodstream infection (BSI) occurring during the first year of solid organ transplant compared by 2-year periods.

Aetiology	All episodes of BSI	2007–2008 (N = 42)	2009–2010 (N = 24)	2011–2012 (N = 60)	2013–2014 (N = 43)	2015–2016 (N = 49)
Gram-positive bacteria (n, %)	42 (19.3)	15 (40.5)	7 (35.0)	11 (22.4)	8 (20.5)	1 (2.2)
Streptococci (n, %)	3 (1.4)	1 (2.4)	0	0	1 (2.3)	1 (2.0)
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (n, %)	11 (5.0)	3 (7.1)	6 (25.0)	1 (1.7)	1 (2.3)	0
<i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> (n, %)	8 (3.7)	4 (9.5)	1 (4.2)	2 (3.3)	1 (2.3)	0
<i>Enterococcus faecium</i> (n, %)	3 (1.4)	0	0	2 (3.3)	1 (2.3)	0
CNS (n, %)	16 (7.3)	7 (16.7)	0	6 (10.0)	3 (7.0)	0
Gram-negative bacilli (n, %)	138 (63.3)	20 (54.1)	12 (60.0)	33 (67.3)	31 (79.5)	42 (93.3)
Multidrug-resistant GNB (n, %)	57 (26.1)	2 (4.8)	5 (20.8)	15 (25.0)	16 (37.2)	19 (38.8)
Enterobacteriaceae (n, %)	105 (48.2)	19 (45.2)	8 (33.3)	23 (38.3)	23 (53.5)	32 (65.3)
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> (n, %)	33 (15.1)	3 (7.1)	2 (8.3)	7 (11.7)	8 (18.6)	13 (26.5)
<i>Escherichia coli</i> (n, %)	52 (23.9)	9 (21.4)	4 (16.7)	15 (25.0)	11 (25.6)	13 (26.5)
ESBL-producing <i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> (n, %)	44 (20.2)	3 (7.1)	2 (8.3)	10 (16.7)	12 (27.9)	17 (34.7)
ESBL-producing <i>K. pneumoniae</i> (n, %)	24 (11.0)	0	0	5 (8.3)	7 (16.3)	12 (24.5)
ESBL-producing <i>E. coli</i> (n, %)	11 (5.0)	2 (4.7)	0	3 (5.0)	3 (6.9)	3 (6.1)
Other <i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> (n, %)	20 (9.2)	7 (16.7)	2 (8.3)	1 (1.7)	4 (9.3)	6 (12.2)
Nonfermenting GNB (n, %)	32 (14.7)	1 (2.4)	4 (16.7)	10 (16.7)	7 (16.3)	10 (20.4)
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> (n, %)	29 (13.3)	1 (2.4)	3 (12.5)	8 (13.3)	7 (16.3)	10 (20.4)
MDR <i>P. aeruginosa</i> (n, %)	16 (7.3)	1 (2.4)	3 (12.5)	4 (6.7)	5 (11.6)	3 (6.1)
Nonfermenting GNB other than <i>P. aeruginosa</i> (n, %)	3 (1.4)	0	1 (4.2)	2 (3.3)	0	0
<i>Candida</i> spp. (n, %)	7 (3.2)	2 (5.4)	1 (5.0)	3 (6.1)	0	1 (2.2)
Anaerobes (n, %)	3 (1.4)	0	0	2 (4.1)	0	1 (2.2)
Polymicrobial (n, %)	28 (12.8)	5 (11.9)	4 (16.7)	11 (18.3)	4 (9.3)	4 (8.2)

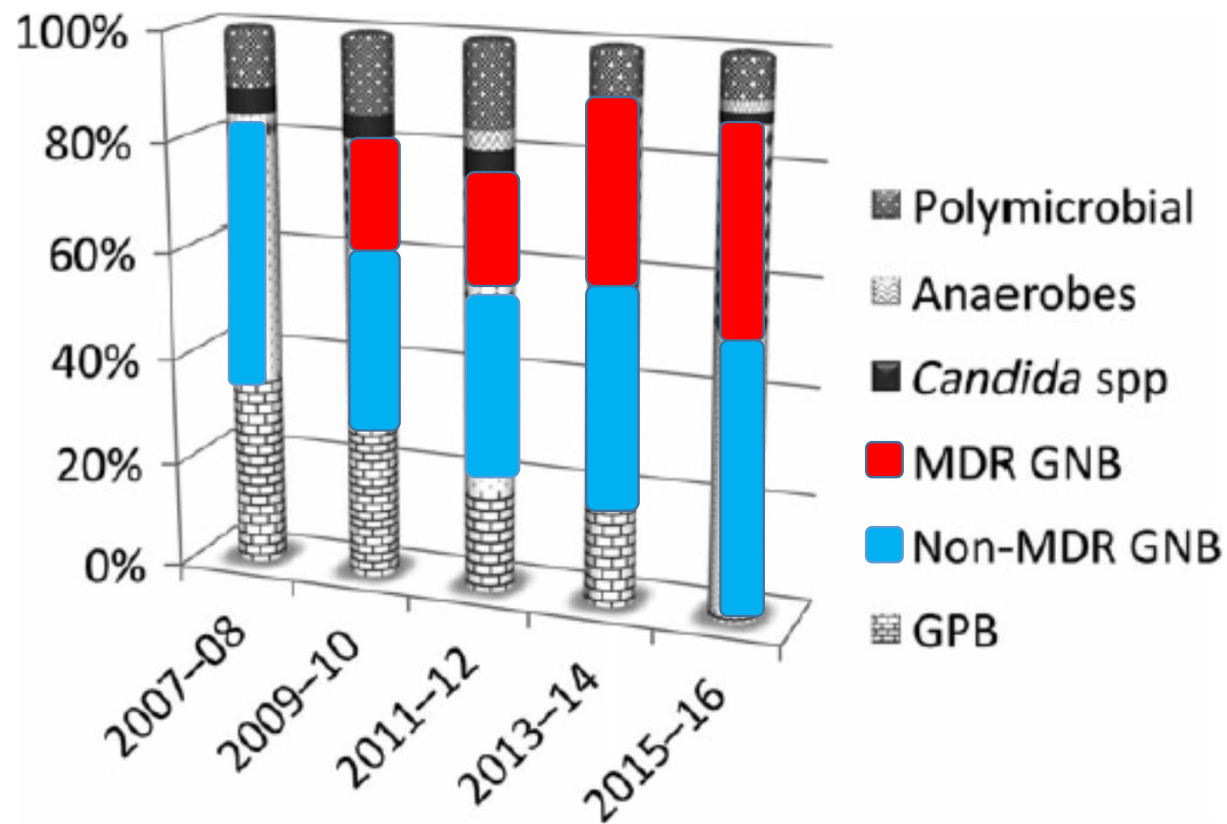
CNS, Coagulase-negative staphylococci; MDR, multidrug-resistant; ESBL, extended-spectrum  $\beta$ -lactamase.

**Table 2.** Trends of clinical characteristics of all episodes at the onset of bloodstream infection compared by 2-year periods.

Variable	All episodes of BSI	2007–2008 (N = 42)	2009–2010 (N = 24)	2011–2012 (N = 60)	2013–2014 (N = 43)	2015–2016 (N = 49)
Source of BSI						
Primary source (n, %)	28 (13.1)	7 (16.7)	7 (29.2)	5 (8.3)	4 (9.3)	5 (10.4)
Catheter-related BSI (n, %)	30 (13.6)	9 (21.4)	5 (20.8)	12 (20.0)	4 (9.3)	0
Pneumonia (n, %)	6 (2.8)	0	1 (4.2)	1 (1.7)	3 (7.0)	1 (2.1)
Urinary tract infection (n, %)	97 (44.9)	18 (42.9)	8 (33.3)	19 (31.7)	19 (44.2)	33 (68.8)
Abdominal (n, %)	43 (19.6)	5 (11.9)	2 (8.3)	18 (30.0)	10 (23.3)	8 (16.7)
Other (n, %)	13 (6.1)	3 (7.1)	1 (4.2)	5 (8.3)	3 (7.0)	1 (2.1)
Prior antibiotic therapy* (n, %)						
Prior use of carbapenem (n, %)	45 (20.6)	5 (11.9)	3 (12.5)	16 (26.7)	8 (18.6)	13 (26.5)
Prior use of cephalosporin (n, %)	16 (7.5)	3 (7.1)	3 (12.5)	5 (8.3)	1 (2.3)	4 (8.2)
Prior use of quinolone (n, %)	11 (5.0)	2 (4.8)	0	6 (10.0)	2 (4.7)	1 (2.0)
Prior use of $\beta$ -lactam/ $\beta$ -lactamase inhibitors (n, %)	46 (21.5)	21 (50.0)	1 (4.2)	14 (23.3)	6 (14.0)	4 (8.2)
Use of urinary catheter (n, %)	109 (50.0)	21 (50.0)	15 (62.5)	29 (48.3)	20 (46.5)	24 (49.0)
Use of venous catheter (n, %)	134 (61.2)	27 (64.3)	17 (70.8)	41 (68.3)	25 (58.1)	24 (49.0)
Septic shock at presentation† (n, %)	38 (17.8)	2 (4.9)	4 (16.7)	17 (28.3)	5 (11.6)	10 (20.8)
Nosocomial acquisition (n, %)	167 (76.6)	38 (90.5)	20 (83.3)	50 (83.3)	25 (58.1)	34 (69.4)
Days since transplantation (median, IQR)	39 (12–133)	32 (13–143)	32 (11–94)	35 (15–92)	68 (11–132)	54 (11–205)
Days since hospital stay (median, IQR)	10 (0–28)	13 (0–27)	11 (2–31)	16 (3–35)	5 (0–14)	4 (0–12)

\*Prior antibiotic therapy was defined as the administration of any systemic antibiotic in the preceding month.

†Septic shock was defined as sepsis-induced hypotension persisting despite adequate fluid resuscitation.

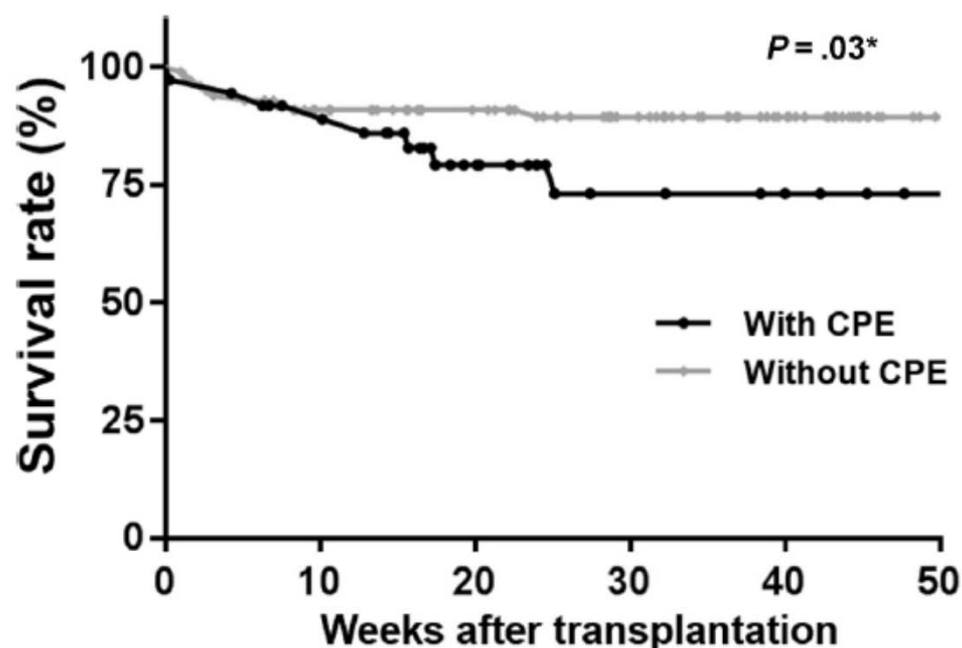


Steady increase in Gram negative bacilli (GNB) BSI (54% -93%,  $p < 0.001$ ), mainly due to *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* (2.4%-20%) and *Enterobacteriaceae* strain. *Klebsiella pneumoniae* (with increase from 7% to 26.5%) was the causative agent of almost a quarter of the episodes of BSI in the last 2 year period.

**Figure 1** Changes in the aetiology of bloodstream infection by 2-year periods.

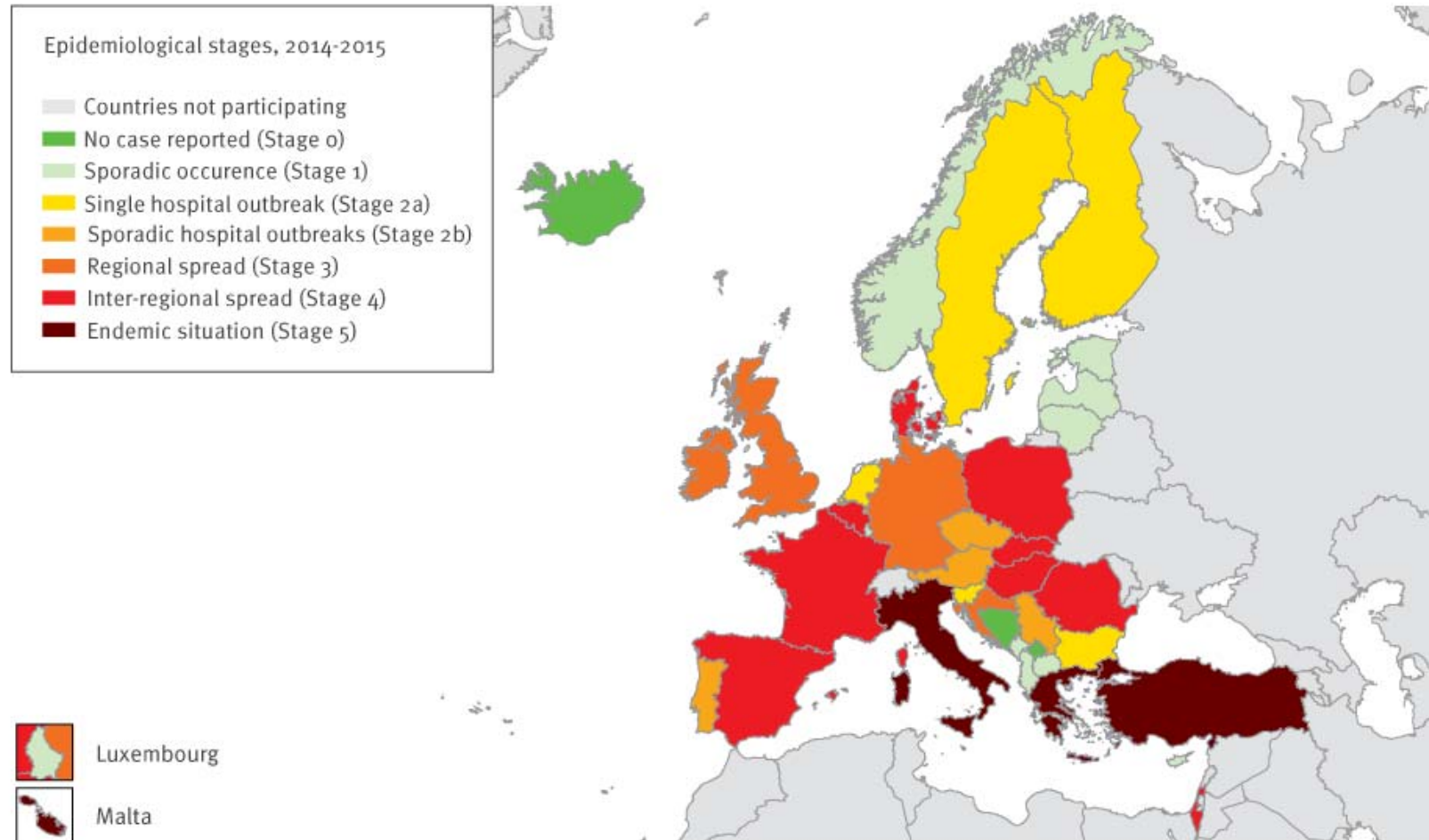
# Acquisition of Carbapenemase-Producing *Enterobacteriaceae* in Solid Organ Transplantation Recipients

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**Fig 2.** Kaplan–Meier survival curve for solid organ transplantation recipients with or without acquisition of carbapenemase-producing *Enterobacteriaceae*. \*Log-rank test. Abbreviations: CPE, carbapenemase-producing *Enterobacteriaceae*.

# Carbapenemase-producing Enterobacteriaceae in Europe: assessment by national experts from 38 countries, May 2015







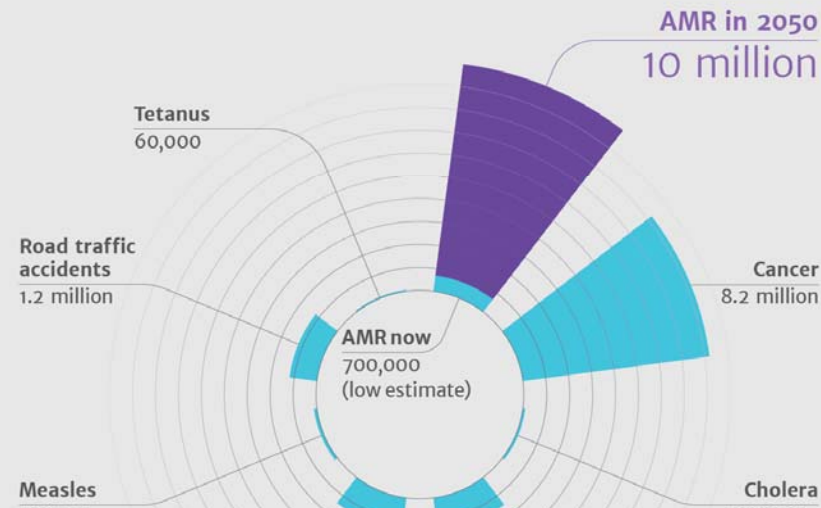
It was on a short-cut through the hospital kitchens that Albert was first approached by a member of the Antibiotic Resistance.



## Review on Antimicrobial Resistance

Tackling drug-resistant infections globally

### Deaths attributable to AMR every year compared to other major causes of death

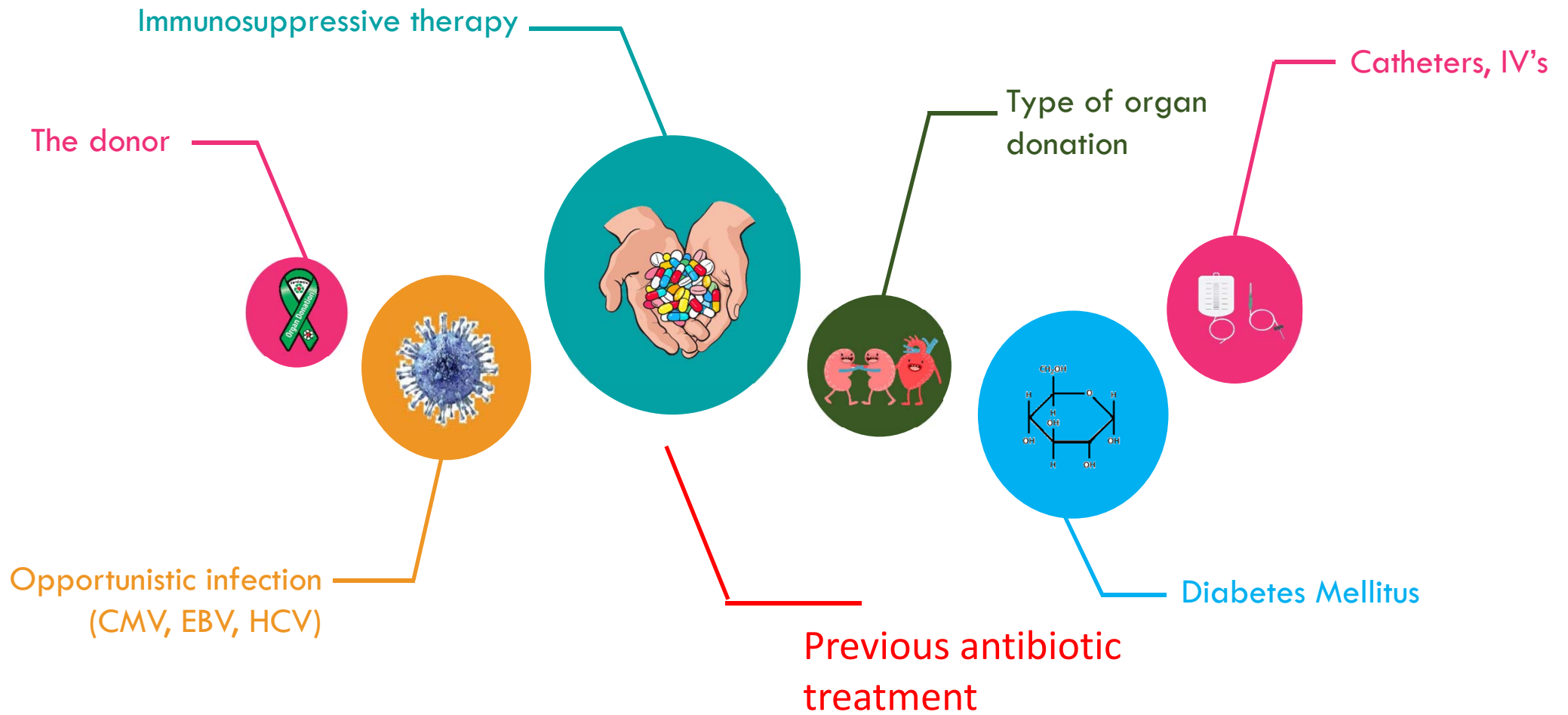


The secondary health effects of AMR: a return to the *dark age* of medicine?

#### Sources

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# Risk factors in SOT



# Incidence of Carbapenem-Resistant Gram Negatives in Italian Transplant Recipients: A Nationwide Surveillance Study

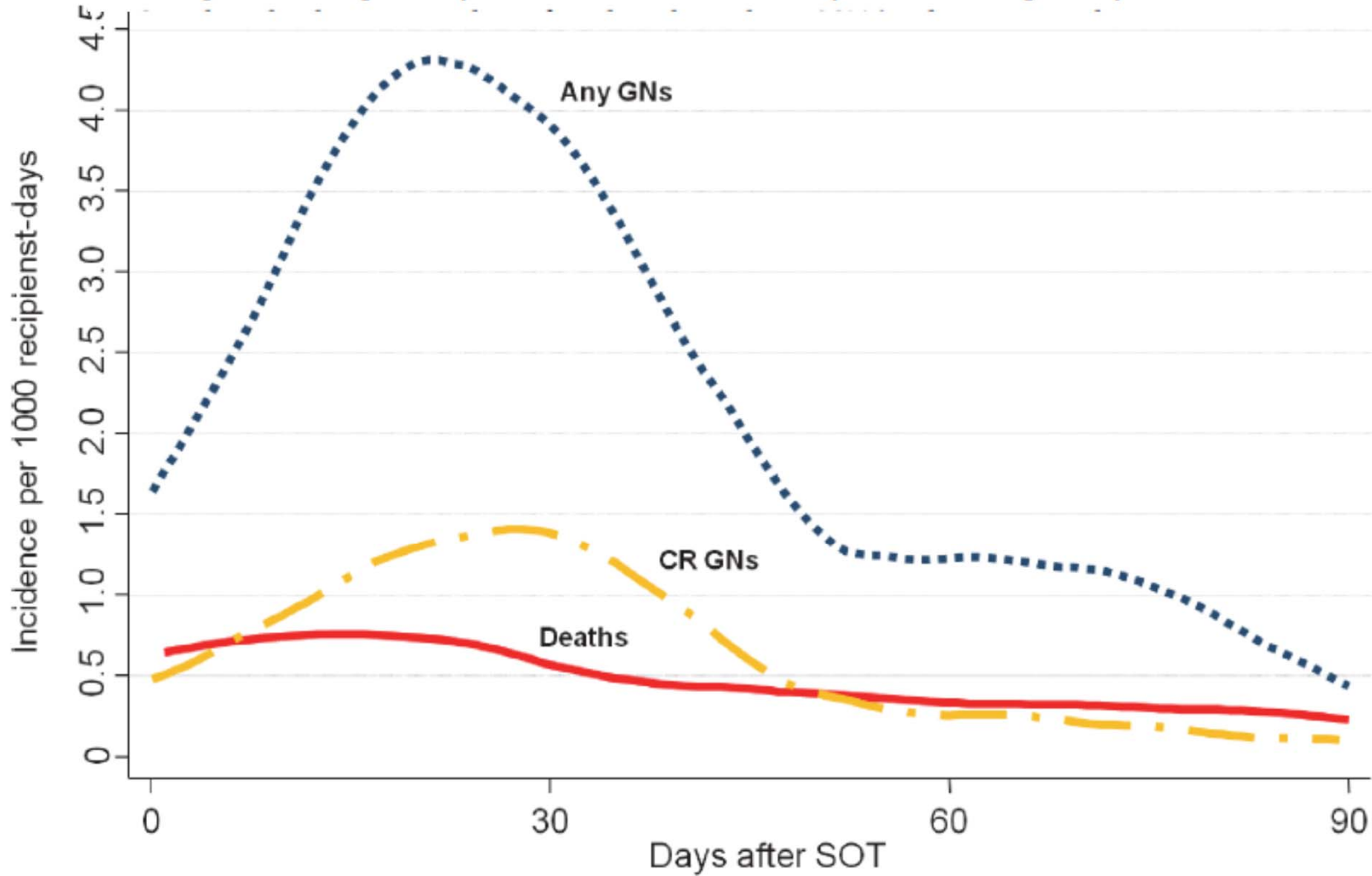
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16.5% TESTED POSITIVE TO GNB  
AT LEAST ONCE  
OF THESE, 26% WERE CR GNB

**Table 1. Events of infection according the etiology (left columns) and the anatomical site (right columns).**

Bacteria	Carbapenem phenotype			<i>Anatomical site of isolation</i> <sup>A</sup>			
	<i>Susceptible</i>	<i>Resistant</i>	<i>All</i>	<i>Blood</i>	<i>R. tract</i>	<i>U. tract</i>	<i>other</i> <sup>B</sup>
Klebsiella spp.	27	26 (49.1%)	53	9	7	32	12
A. baumannii	5	4 (44.4%)	9	2	5	0	2
P. aeruginosa	20	9 (31.0%)	29	3	15	7	7
E. coli	52	1 (1.9%)	53	5	7	48	6
Other enterobacteriaceae	18	2(10.0%)	20	2	3	12	6
Other GN	14	7(33.3%)	21	1	8	7	3
<i>Total</i>	136	49(26.5%)	185	22	45	106	36

The median time to the first GNs clinical isolate was 26 days (IQR 16–33; [Table 2](#)). As reported in [Fig 2](#), GNs occurred most frequently in the early post-SOT. Incidence rates were 4.33, 1.67 and 1.14 per 1,000 recipient-days at 0–30, 31–60, and 61–90 days after SOT, respectively.



## Higher incidence of CR-GNs clinical isolates:

- lung recipients,
- admitted to hospital for more than 48h before SOT and
- longer hospital stay after SOT.

Mortality was more than 10 times higher in recipients who had culture(s) positive to CR-GNs after SOT than in those who did not.

No evidence was found that having received organ(s) from a donor who tested positive to GNs or CR-GNs the donation day was associated to an increased risk of death

Donation day test	no GN	649	32	56,740	0.56(0.40–0.80)	base	-	base	-
	CS GN	205	9	17,707	0.51(0.26–0.98)	0.88(0.41–1.87)	0.734	1.00(0.46–2.19)	0.995
	CR GN	33	3	2,813	1.07(0.34–3.31)	1.89(0.57–6.33)	0.301	1.37(0.39–4.81)	0.627



## Microbiological Data



**72.7%**

Gram- negatives

*K. pneumoniae*:

- *ESBL*: 30.4%
- *KPC*: 10.8%



**22.7%**

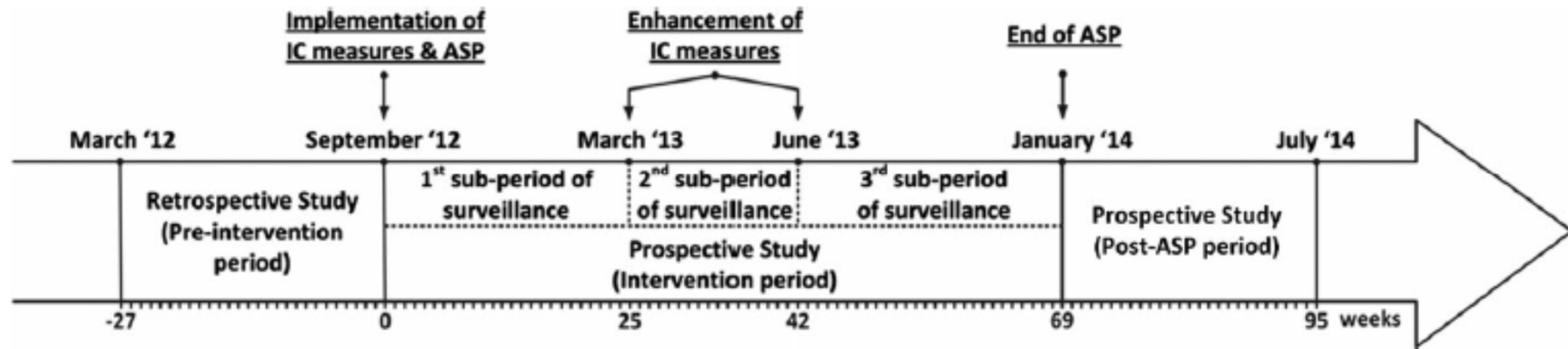
Gram- positives

- *E. faecalis*: 50%
- *MRSA*: 14.3%

Rectal carriers show an increased risk of developing a BSI in the follow up

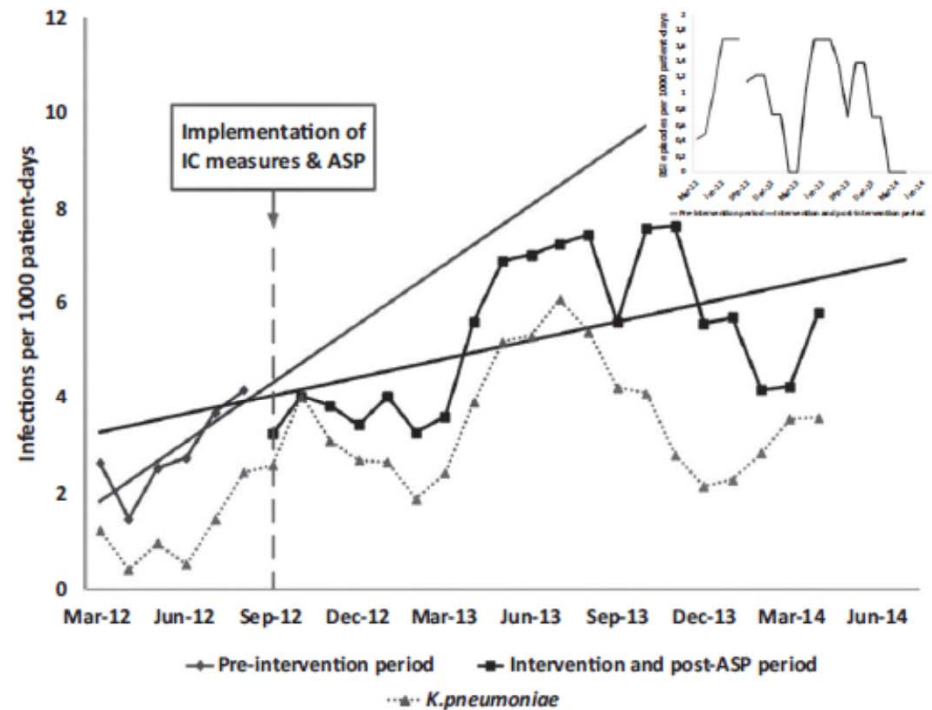
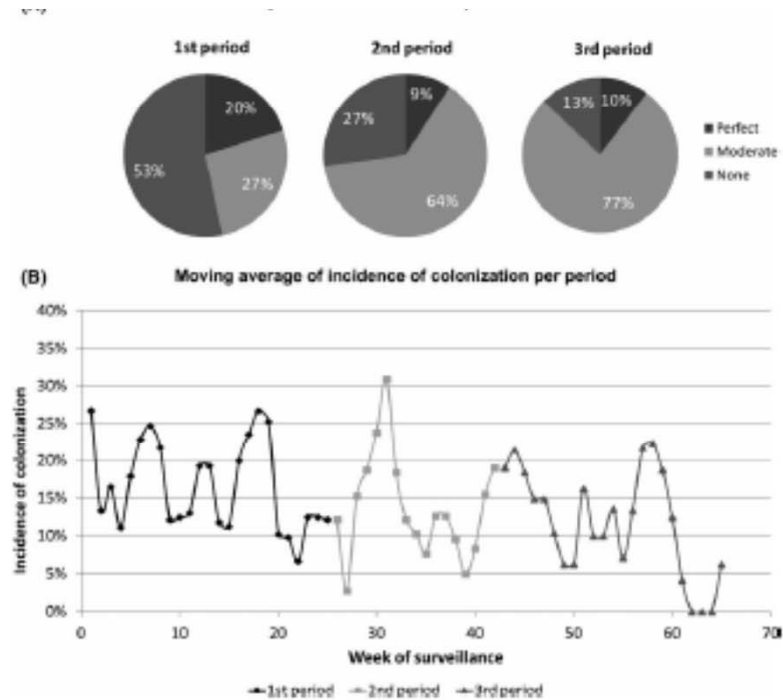


# Epidemiological surveillance of multidrug-resistant gram-negative bacteria in a solid organ transplantation department



Rectal surveillance swabs (weekly)  
Contact precautions  
Environmental cleaning  
Education  
Hand hygiene

# Epidemiological surveillance of multidrug-resistant gram-negative bacteria in a solid organ transplantation department



The time between detection of colonization and infection was  $10 \pm 9.6$  days.

# Risk factors for carbapenem-resistant *Klebsiella pneumoniae* bloodstream infection among rectal carriers: a prospective observational multicentre study

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**TABLE 2.** Logistic regression analysis of risk factors for CR-KP BSI development in rectal carriers

	OR (95% CI)	P-value	Risk score point
Admission to ICU	1.65 (1.05–2.59)	0.03	2
Invasive abdominal procedures	1.87 (1.16–3.04)	0.01	3
Chemotherapy/radiation therapy	3.07 (1.78–5.29)	<0.0001	4
Colonization at site besides stool (risk per each additional site)	3.37 (2.56–4.43)	<0.0001	5 per site

ICU, intensive care unit; OR, odds ratio.

# Effect of appropriate combination therapy on mortality of patients with bloodstream infections due to carbapenemase-producing Enterobacteriaceae (INCREMENT): a retrospective cohort study

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- The score includes
- severe sepsis or shock at presentation (five points),
- a Pitt bacteraemia score of at least 6 (four points),
- a Charlson comorbidity index score of at least 2 (three points),
- a source of BSI other than urinary or biliary tract (three points)

# Risks of Infection and Mortality Among Patients Colonized With *Klebsiella pneumoniae* Carbapenemase–Producing *K. pneumoniae*: Validation of Scores and Proposal for Management

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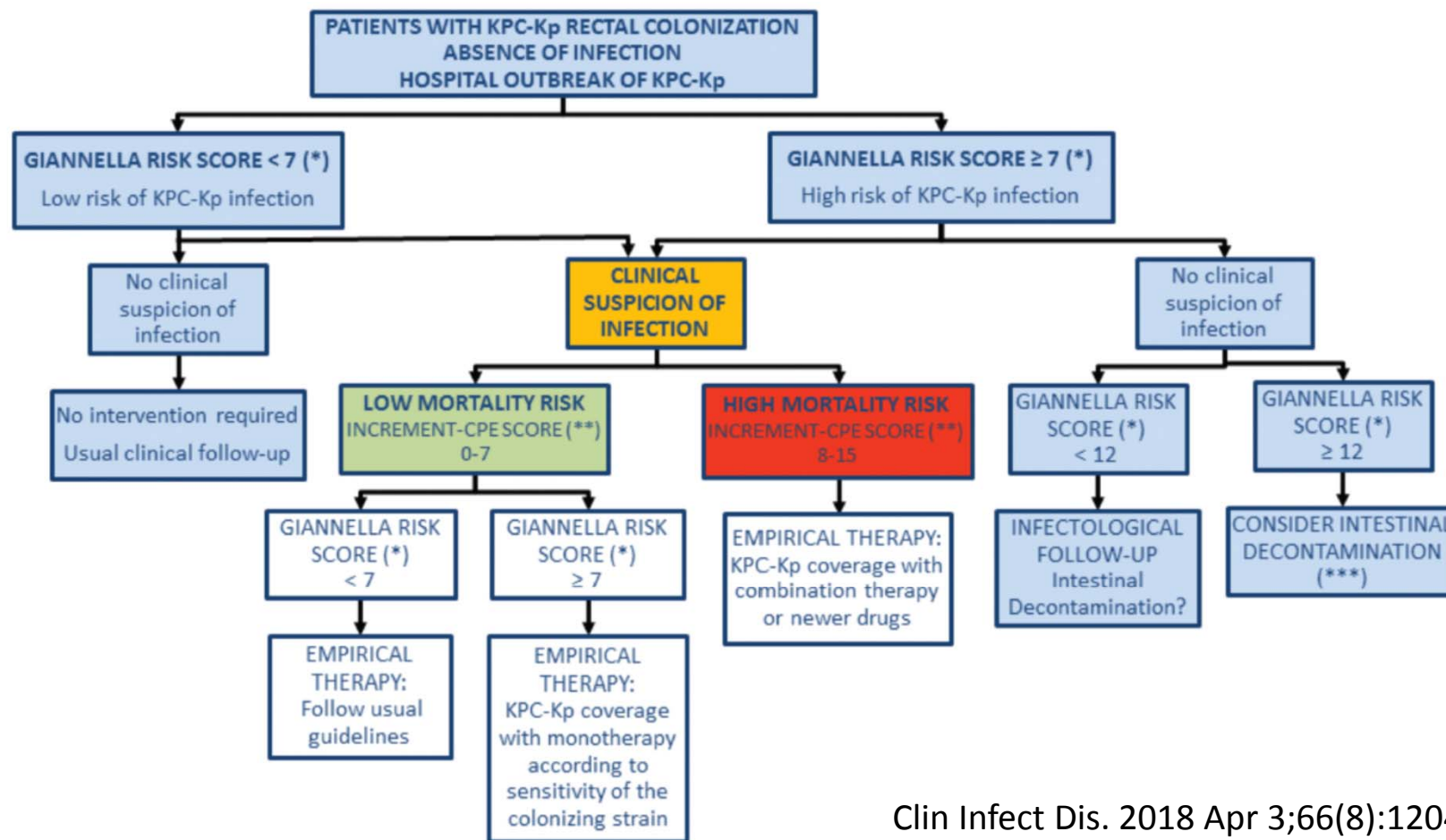
The risk of developing an active infection in colonized patients is controversial, especially regarding severe infections such as bacteremia.

Empiric treatment is frequently inadequate, and adequate treatment is initiated after the susceptibility test is available.

This delay in initiating appropriate treatment may have a negative impact on mortality.

**Table 3. Characteristics of 94 Patients Colonized With *Klebsiella pneumoniae* Carbapenemase–Producing *K. pneumoniae* in the Giannella Score <7 and ≥7 Groups**

Characteristic	GRS 0–6 (n = 48)	GRS ≥7 (n = 46)	P Value
Age, y, median (IQR)	66.5 (56.5–76.2)	60 (49.0–67.0)	.007 <sup>a</sup>
Male sex	16 (33.3)	19 (41.3)	.42
Surgery in the previous 3 mo	17 (35.4)	32 (69.6)	<.001
Antimicrobial therapy in the previous month (for ≥2 d)	36 (75.0)	35 (76.1)	.90
Clinical unit before infection			<.001
Medical	24 (50.0)	6 (13.0)	
Surgical	11 (22.9)	12 (26.1)	
Intensive care unit	13 (27.1)	28 (60.9)	
Neutropenia	6 (12.5)	11 (23.9)	.15
Chronic kidney disease	13 (27.1)	8 (17.4)	.26
Solid organ transplantation	10 (20.8)	4 (8.7)	.10
Charlson comorbidity index, median (IQR)	4 (3–6)	2.5 (1–4)	.01 <sup>a</sup>
Immunosuppression	26 (54.2)	23 (50.0)	.69
No infection	16 (33.3)	2 (4.3)	<.001
Non–KPC–Kp infection	29 (60.4)	5 (10.9)	<.001
KPC–Kp infection	3 (6.2)	39 (84.8)	<.001
Non–KPC–Kp bacteremia	4 (8.3)	3 (6.5)	.74 <sup>b</sup>
KPC–Kp bacteremia	1 (2.1)	21 (45.7)	<.001
ICS, median (IQR) <sup>c</sup>	3 (3–3)	10 (6–11)	<.001 <sup>a</sup>
High risk of mortality according to ICS	1 (2.1)	27 (58.7)	<.001 <sup>a</sup>
Died during follow-up	13 (27.1)	24 (52.2)	.01



# Management of multidrug resistant Gram-negative bacilli infections in solid organ transplant recipients: SET/GESITRA-SEIMC/REIPI recommendations<sup>☆</sup>

## Can a patient colonized with CPE be accepted for transplantation?

There are no data to contraindicate the transplantation of patients colonized with CPE. Nonetheless these recipients have an increased risk of graft infection and death

Rectal swabs samples should be obtained at transplant as a screening measure for CPE intestinal colonization. Repeated surveillance swabs should be performed based on the local epidemiological setting

**CPE colonization is not necessarily to be considered a contraindication for organ donation unless colonization regards the organ to be transplanted**

# Antimicrobial Stewardship Program



Stopping Bugs

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