



Duration of antimicrobial therapy

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Benefits and risks of short treatment



BENEFITS

- ↓ Spread of MDRO
- ↓ adverse effects
 - ↓ costs
- ↓ MDRO superinfections
 - ↓ C difficile

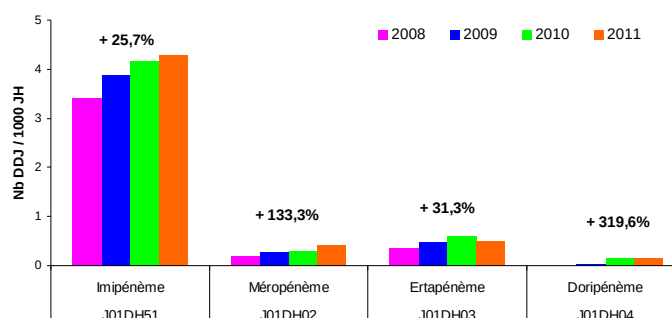


RISKS

- Failure
- Relapses

Carbapenems use in French hospitals- ATB-RAISIN, 2011

DDJ / 1000 hosp. Days in a cohort of 614 hospitals (2008 to 2011)



SPA-CARB 2011

Survey in 2338 patients in 207 facilities in France

IMIPENEM 88% ERTAPENEM 8%

- 34% of the prescription for community acquired infections
- Internal medicine 34% ICUs 27%, and Surg. units 20%

EXTENSIVE USAGE

- Source UTI is the first cause!!! (27% of the prescriptions)

OVER-USE

- Documented ESBL only 1/5...
and potential alternative in 2/3 of the cases...

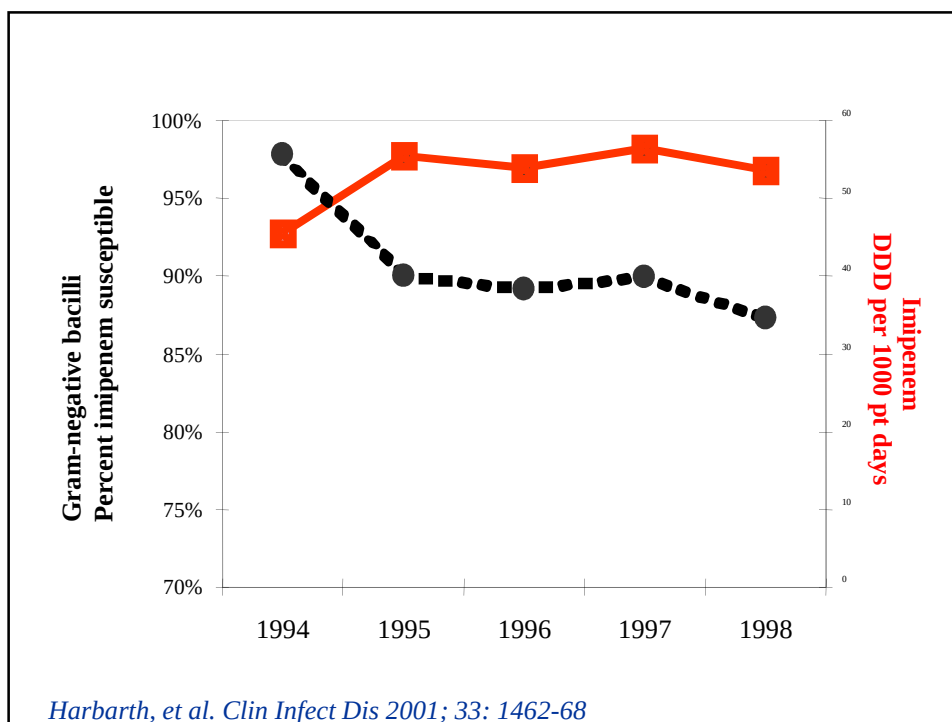
FEW DEESCALATION

- Very few deescalation :
59/397 (14,9%) GNB susceptible to at least one B lactam of FQ
Treatment median duration 8 days

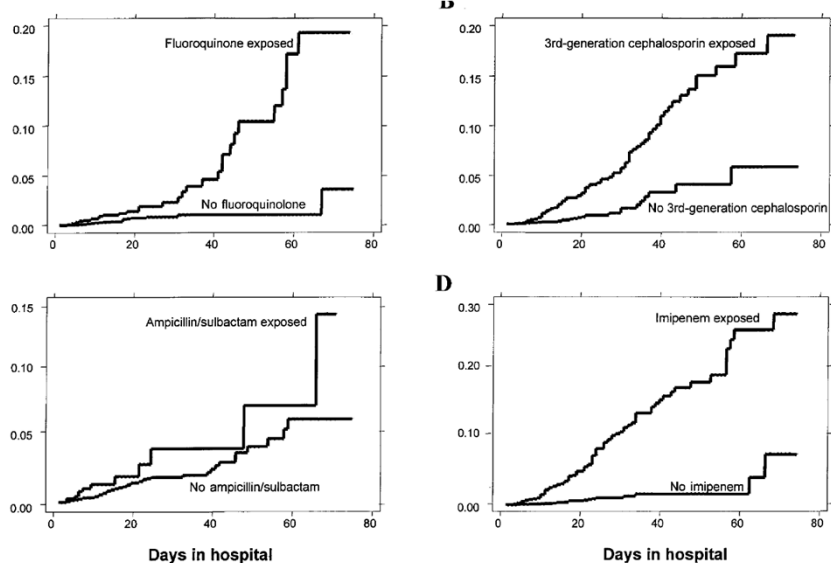
NO SHORT TREATMENT

- > 10 days in 31.4 % of the cases
- 50% of the carbapenems were stopped at the end of treatment

Gauzit R et al - Int J Antimicrob Agents. 2015 Sep 30



Probability of resistance according to time of Abx exposure



CID 2001;33 (1 November) • Harbarth et al.

Emergence of Imipenem-Resistant Gram-Negative Bacilli in Intestinal Flora of Intensive Care Patients - Armand-Lefèvre L et al – AAC 2013;1488-95

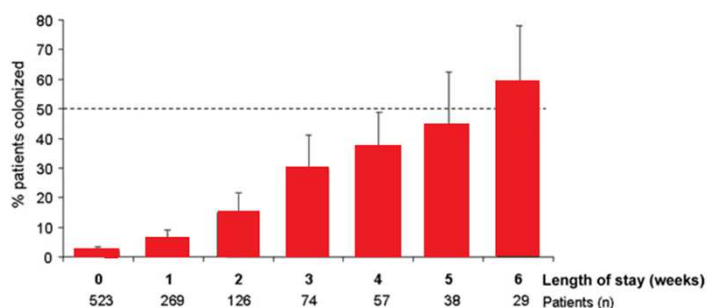


FIG 1 Rates of intestinal colonization by imipenem-resistant gram-negative bacilli in intensive care patients. Bars indicate observed rates $\pm$ standard deviation (SD) (error bars).

Days of imipenem exposure ^a	% R	% S	OR	Adj OR	
0	8 (22.2)	22 (61.1)	1.0	1.0	
1 to 3	10 (27.8)	6 (16.7)	4.4 (1.1–20.5)	5.9 (1.5–25.7)	<0.01
4 to 21	18 (50.0)	8 (22.2)	6.0 (1.7–23.3)	7.8 (2.4–29.8)	

Impact of a Reduction in the Use of High-Risk Antibiotics on the Course of an Epidemic of *Clostridium difficile*-Associated Disease Caused by the Hypervirulent NAP1/027 Strain

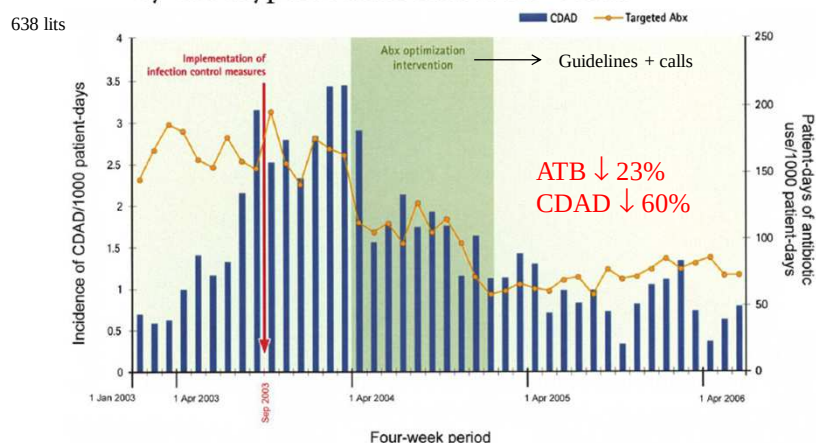


Figure 2. Targeted antibiotic (Abx) consumption and nosocomial *Clostridium difficile*-associated disease (CDAD) incidence per 1000 patient-days of hospitalization.

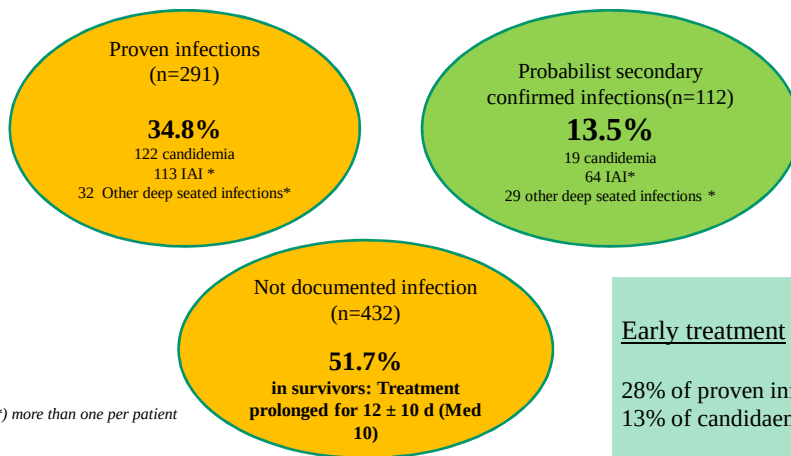
Valiquette L, Clin Infect Dis 2007

We are helpless and confused...

AMARCAND 2 study: Oct. 2012 to Oct. 2013

835 patients (87 ICUs) treated for proven or suspected candidiasis

Exclusion: neutropenia/ transplant



(*) more than one per patient

Leroy et al – Ann Intens care submitted
Bailly et al – intens care med 2015; 1931

Duration of antibiotic prophylaxis and emergence of resistance

- Of the 166 (6%) strains recovered post operatively:
 - » 4% VRE
 - » 23% Enterobacteriaceae 3GC R
 - » 97% Enterobacteriaceae 1GC R

TABLE 2. Multivariable Model for Isolation of Acquired Resistant Enterobacteriaceae and Enterococci After CABG, Matched by Calendar Time and the Prophylactic Antibiotic Agents Used

Variable	Patients With Positive Cultures (n=426)		
	OR	P	95% CI
Prolonged prophylaxis (>48 h)	1.6	0.027	1.1–2.6
Age >65 y	1.3	0.022	1.0–1.6
Combined CABG/valve surgery	2.7	0.002	1.4–5.1
Antibiotic therapy after CABG	1.8	0.054	1.0–3.3

Harbarth et al, *Circulation* 2000

Low Dosage and Long Treatment Duration of β -Lactam

Risk Factors for Carriage of Penicillin-Resistant *Streptococcus pneumoniae*

Didier Guillemot, MD; Claude Carbon, MD; Beverley Balkau, PhD; Pierre Geslin, MD; Hervé Lecoœur, MD; Françoise Vauzelle-Kervroëdan, MD; Gilles Bouvenot, MD; Eveline Eschwège, MD



Feb 1998

Table 6.—Odds Ratios for Penicillin-Resistant *Streptococcus pneumoniae* (PRSp) Carriage According to Daily Dose and Duration of the Last Antibiotic Used During the Previous 30 Days*

Variable	No. of Children	No. of PRSp Carriers	Unadjusted OR (95% CI)	P Value	Adjusted OR (95% CI)	P Value
Last β -lactam						
Daily dose						
No use†	780	10	1.0		1.0	
Low†	84	6	5.9 (2.1-16.7)	.002	7.5 (2.5-22.8)	<.001
High	54	0	NA	.9	NI	
Missing‡	23	0	NA	.9	NI	
Duration of treatment						
No use†	780	10	1.0		1.0	
Long†	138	6	3.5 (1.3-9.8)	.02	3.9 (1.4-11.2)	.01

→ High initial dose and a short duration

Kollef et al. Critical Care 2012, 16:R218
http://ccforum.com/content/16/6/R218

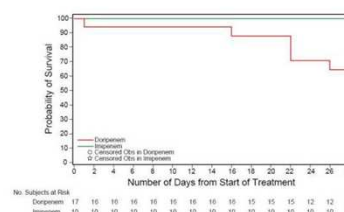


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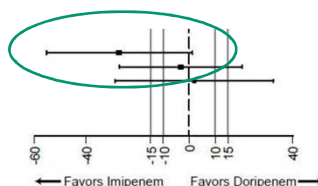
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A randomized trial of 7-day doripenem versus 10-day imipenem-cilastatin for ventilator-associated pneumonia

	IMI 10 d	DORI 7 d	95%CI
Clinical cure	41.2% (7/17)	60.0% (6/10)	-57.2 to 19.5%
d28 death (MITT)	14.8% (13/88)	21.5% (17/79)	-5.0 to 18.5%
D28 Death PA only	0.0% (0/10);	35.3% (6/17)	12.6 to 58.0%



Creatinine Clearance		
Supra Normal (≥ 150 ml/min)	8/18	20/28
Normal (≤ 80 - <150 ml/min)	15/31	19/37
Mild Renal Failure (>50 - <80 ml/min)	12/23	9/18
Moderate Renal Failure (>30 - ≤ 50 ml/min)	0/5	1/2
Severe Renal Failure (≤ 30 ml/min)	1/2	1/3



Shortening duration of treatment may be harmful in case of initial underdosage

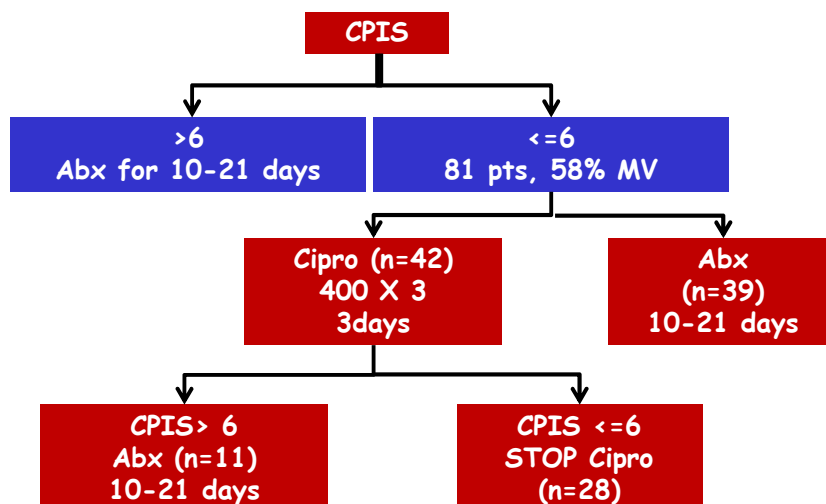
Antibiotic duration at the bedside

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|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Short ?<ul style="list-style-type: none">– No comorbid cond.– Source control– Low MICs, high bactericidal titers– easy PK and tissue diffusion– No foreign material– Rapid clinical improvement | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Long ?<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Immune depression– No source control– MDR , XDR bacterias– Low bactericidal titers– Poor PK and tissue diffusion– Foreign materials– Slow, partial clinical response |
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How to decrease treatment duration?

- Early stop of useless treatment
- RCTs
- Guidelines and ID specialist
- Stopping rules based on biomarkers

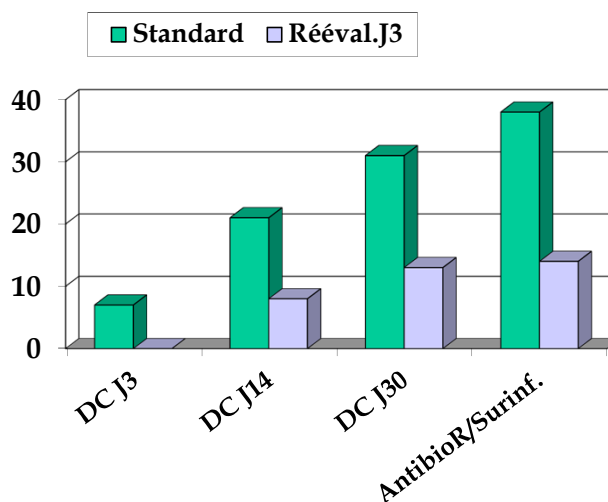
Early stopping rules for suspected mild VAP



Singh et al – AJRCCM 2000; 505

Early stopping rules for VAP

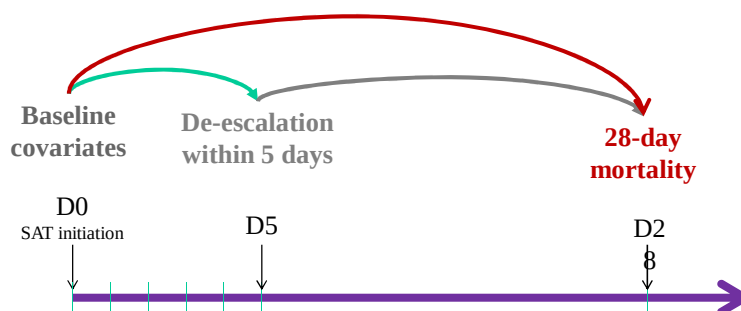
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Duration of Abx: 9 vs 4 days, $p=0.04$

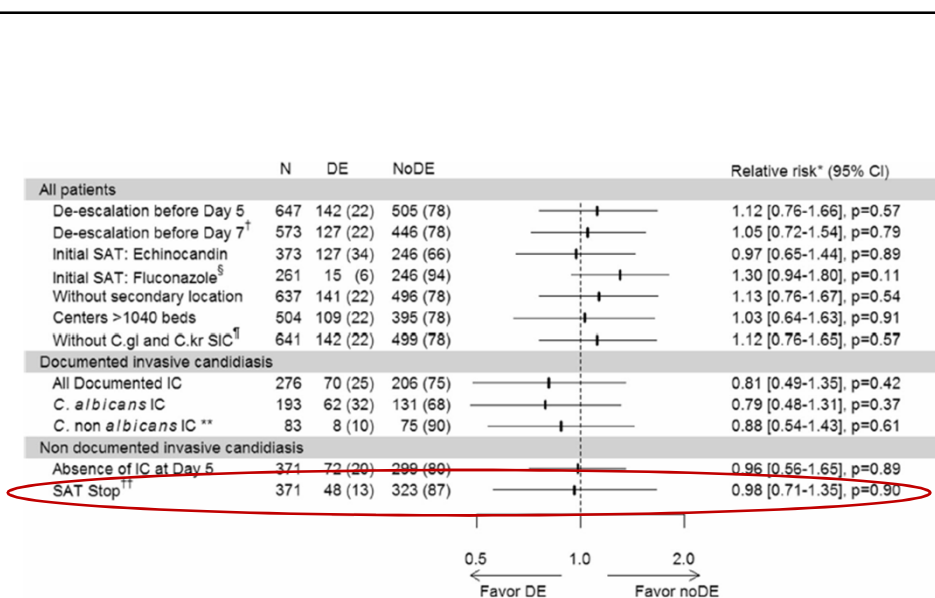
Introduction – Objective – **Method** – Results – Conclusion

Causal inference: **double robust IPTW estimator**



IPTW : inverse probability of treatment weighed estimator

Bailly S et al – *Intens care med* 2015; 41:1931



Bailly S et al – *Intens Care Med* 2015; 41:1931

De-escalation leads to a significant decrease in the antifungal consumption

Characteristics	Systemic antifungal therapy (SAT) group		p-value
	De-escalation N=142	No De-escalation N=505	
SOFA score at D7 after initial SAT	5 [3 ; 9]	5 [2 ; 9]	0.90
Delta SOFA score from SAT to D7	2 [-1 ; 4]	2 [0 ; 4]	0.46
Length of ICU stay after initial SAT (days)	14 [9 ; 27]	19 [11 ; 35]	<.01
Length of SAT administration (days)	12 [5 ; 16]	14 [8 ; 21]	<.01
Number of days alive without SAT at D28	13 [5 ; 23]	10 [1 ; 17]	<.01
Number of days alive outside the ICU at D28	3.5 [0 ; 17]	0 [0 ; 13]	0.03
Median SAT cost [IQR]	1,743 € [1,134 ; 2,382]	2,835 € [171 ; 7,371]	<.01

Duration of treatment should be reduced in...

- UTI, Pyelonephritis (<6-7d)
- CAP (<7d)
- Meningitis (5d)
- Peritonitis (5d) → 4d if adequate source control
- CR-BSI (5-7d)

Marschall J et al - BMJ. 2013 Jun 11;346:f3147
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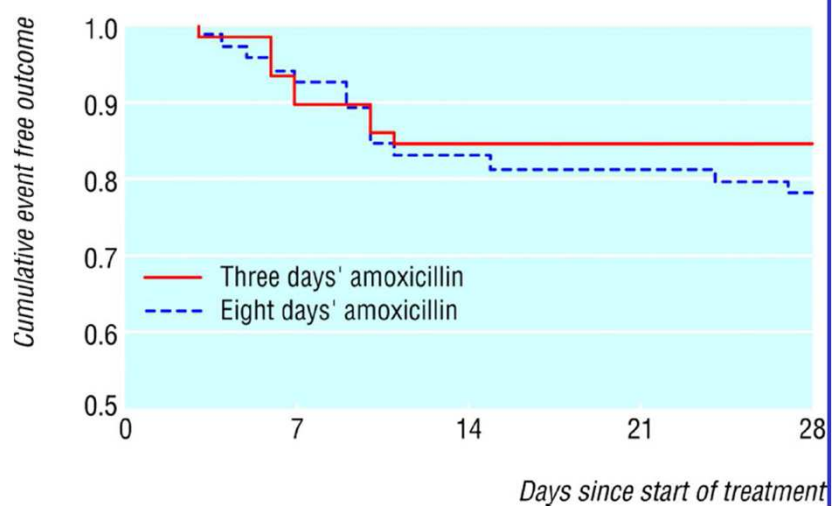
CAP

528 moderate or severe
Stratification according to Fine score

- Levofloxacin 750 mg/d 5 dys* vs 500 mg/days 10 dys*
- Clinical success 183/198 (92%) vs 175/190 (91%)
- Eradication 96/103 (93%) vs 85/92 (92%)
- IV or oral

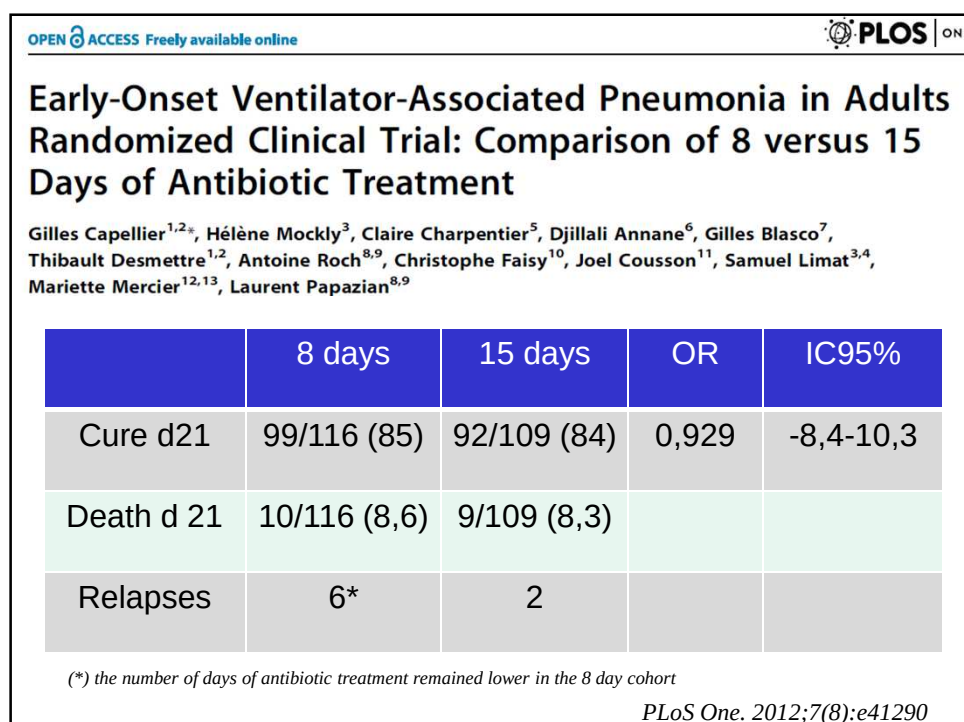
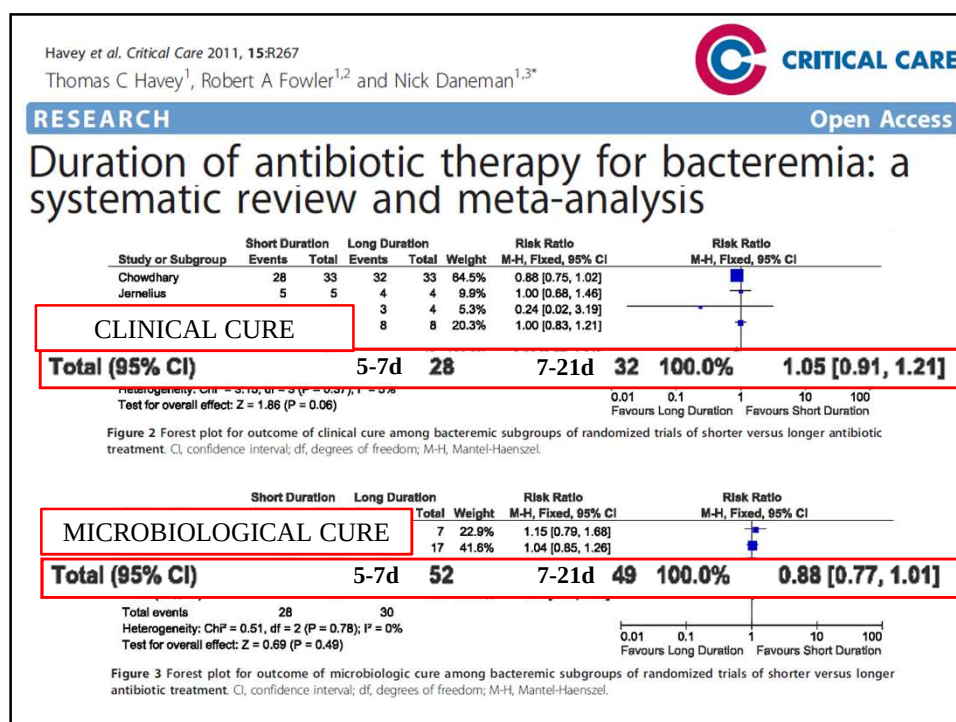
Dunbar et al – Clin Infect Dis 2003; 37:752

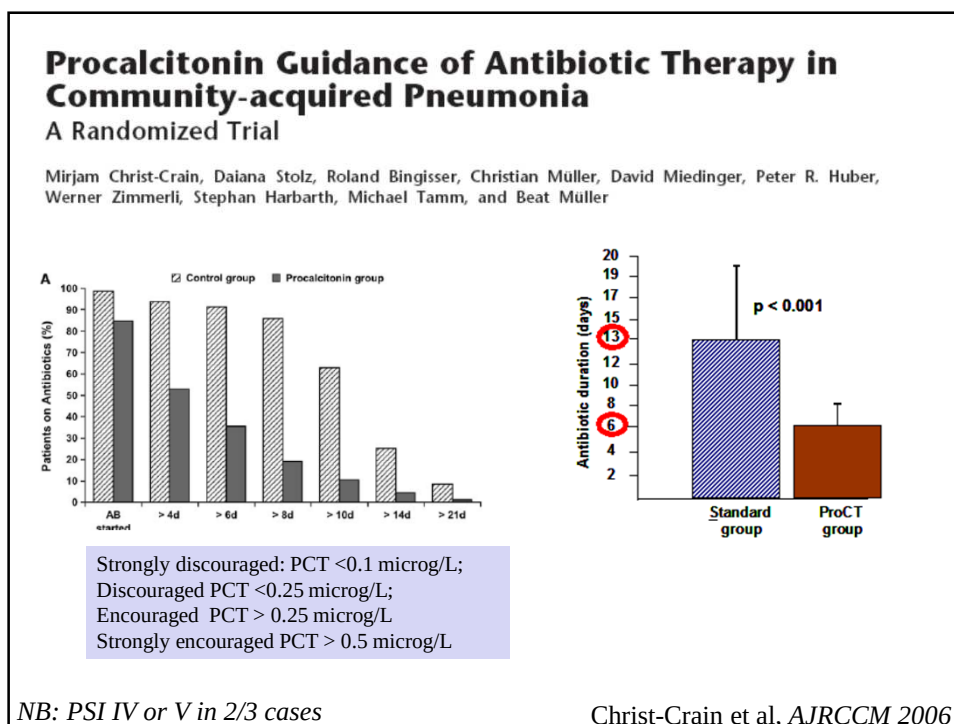
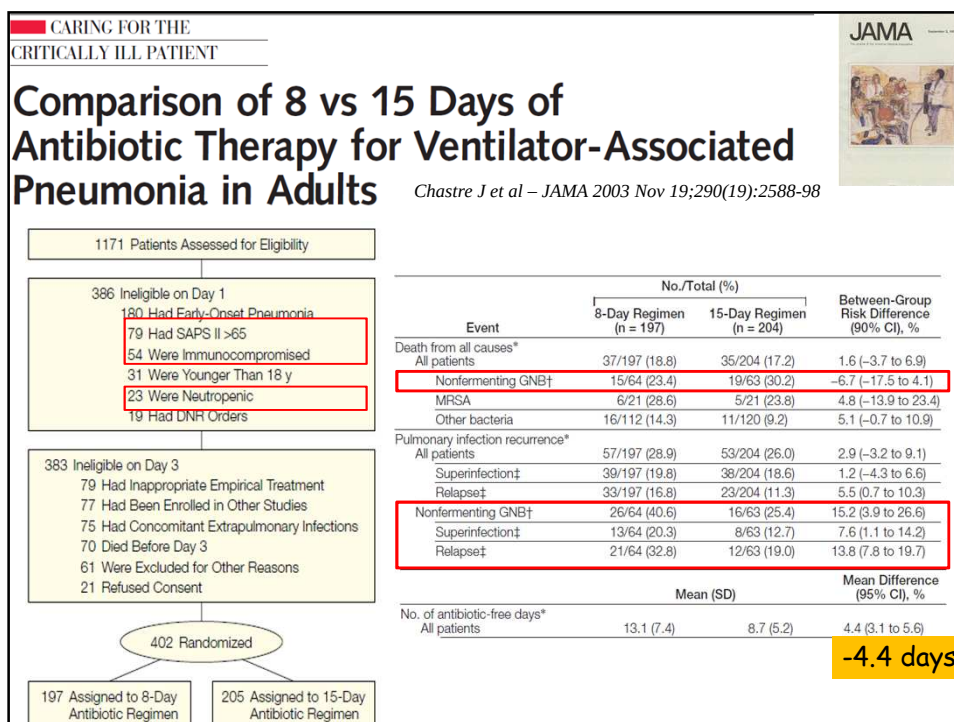
Mild CAP



Molecular techniques + biomarkers to avoid antimicrobials?

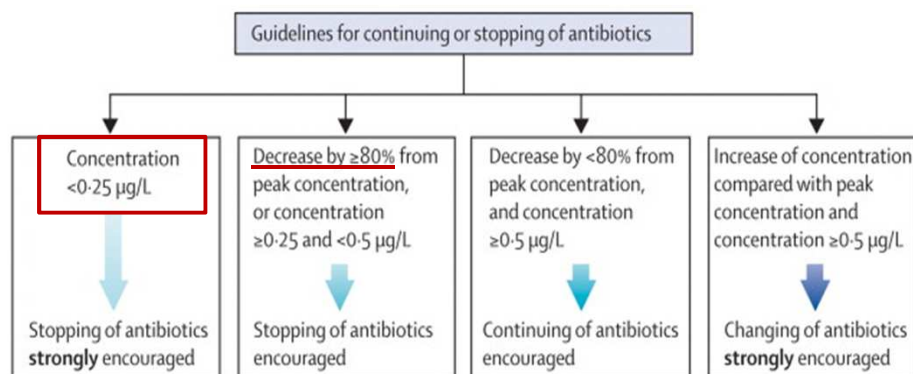
Al Moussaoui et al – BMJ 2006





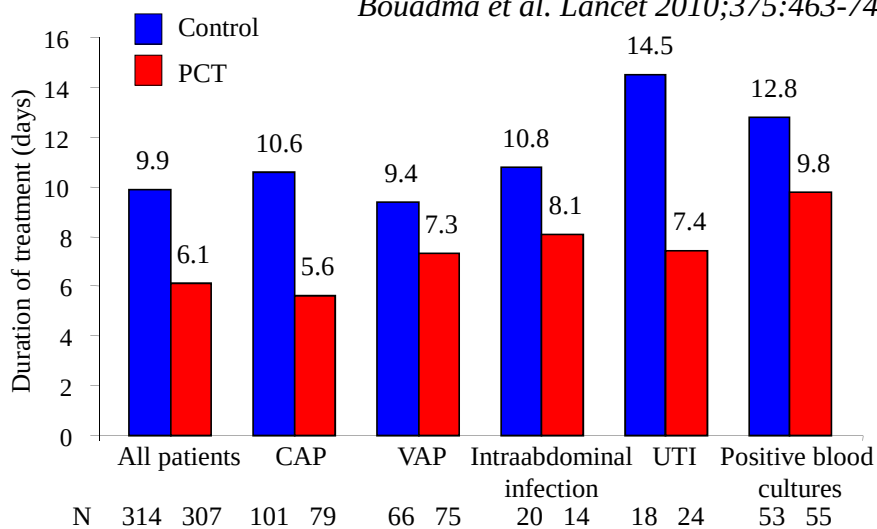
Use of Procalcitonin to Shorten Antibiotic Exposure in ICU Patients: *The ProRata Trial*

Bouadma et al. *Lancet* 2010;375:463-74



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Impact of an Antimicrobial Stewardship Intervention on Shortening the Duration of Therapy for Community-Acquired Pneumonia

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Control period

Vs

Education and prospective feedback to teams regarding antibiotic choice and duration

Variable	Preintervention (2008) (n = 56) ^a	Intervention (2010) (n = 63) ^a	P
Length of stay, median, days	4 days	5 days	
Duration of antibiotic therapy, median (IQR), days	10 (8–13)	7 (7–8)	<.001
Duration of antibiotic therapy, No.			
≤5 days	1	8	<.001
6–7 days	7	28	
8–10 days	24	18	
11–14 days	15	9	
>14 days	9	0	
Excess antibiotic days, total, days	241	93	
Excess antibiotic days, median (IQR), days	4 (2–6)	1 (0–3)	<.001
30-day readmissions, No. (%) ^b	9 (14.5) ^c	5 (7.7) ^d	.22
<i>Clostridium difficile</i> infections, No. (%) ^b	3 (4.8) ^c	1 (1.5) ^d	.28

Clin Infect Dis 2012;54:1581

Before-after
Sweden
ID audits 2X weeks
Individual feedback

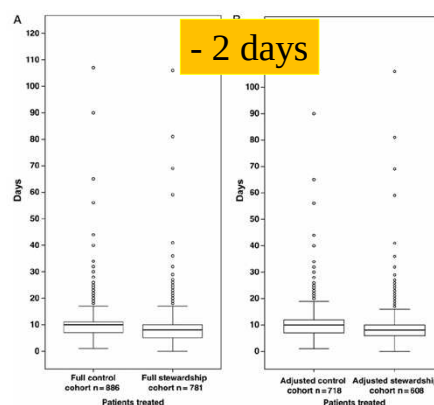


Table 3. Patient Outcomes

Outcome Variable	Full Control Cohort (n = 886)	Full Stewardship Cohort (n = 781)	P Value	Adjusted Control Cohort (n = 718)	Adjusted Stewardship Cohort (n = 608)	P Value
Mortality within 28 d. No. (%)	117 (13)	108 (14)	.71	100 (14)	89 (15)	.71
Mortality related to infection. No. (%)	64 (7)	63 (8)	nc ^a	55 (8)	51 (8)	nc ^a
Readmission within 28 d. No. (%)	203 (23)	180 (22)	.58	166 (23)	138 (23)	.86
Readmission due to incomplete resolving of infection No. (%)	64 (7.2)	38 (4.9)	.048	54 (7.5)	32 (5.3)	.07
Length of stay in hospital Median days (range)	7 (1–44)	7 (1–91)	.08 ^b	8 (4–44)	8 (4–91)	.53
Adverse events. No. (%)	19 (2.1)	16 (2.0)	nc	17 (2.4)	14 (2.3)	nc

Impact of an antimicrobial stewardship-led intervention for *Staphylococcus aureus* bacteraemia: a quasi-experimental study

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J Antimicrob Chemother 2015; 70: 3390–3396

Table 1. Bundle endpoints

Bundle endpoint
1 empirical antibiotics within 24 h of Gram's stain
2 intravenous β -lactam therapy for MSSA bacteraemia ^a
3 duration of therapy
uncomplicated bacteraemia: at least 2 weeks
complicated bacteraemia: at least 4 weeks
complicated bacteraemia with endocarditis: at least 6 weeks
complicated bacteraemia with osteomyelitis: at least 8 weeks
4 repeat blood cultures at least every 48 h from positive Gram's stain until clearance is documented
5 therapeutic vancomycin level of at least 10 mg/L for uncomplicated bacteraemia or at least 15 mg/L for complicated bacteraemia ^b
6 echocardiogram for complicated bacteraemia
7 eliminate or debride foci of infection ^c

+ education
+ follow-up

Adherence Pre: 56.1% vs Intervention: 84.1%

Med time to start Abx: 1 vs 2 h, P=0.051
30 day mortality: 19.5% vs 11.4%, P=0.2
Med LOS: 9 vs 9 dys, P=0.474
Persistent BSI 13.4% vs 9.1%, P=0.47

But higher rate of CRBSI...: 29.9% vs 15.9%

Characteristic	Usual care (n = 123)	Intervention (n = 123)
Age (years)	70 (54.5–79)	65 (55–78)
Hospital		
A	17 (13.8)	14 (11.4)
B	38 (30.9)	35 (28.4)
C	50 (40.7)	53 (43.1)
D	18 (14.6)	21 (17.1)
Ward		
Surgical	20 (16.3)	17 (13.8)
Medical	103 (83.7)	106 (86.2)
Charlson score	2 (0–3)	2 (0.5–3)
Immunosuppression ^a	20 (16.3)	17 (13.8)
Acquisition of infection		
Community acquired	64 (52.0)	57 (46.3)
Healthcare associated	12 (9.8)	19 (15.4)
Hospital acquired	47 (38.2)	47 (38.2)
Clinical source of infection		
Urinary tract	39 (31.7)	29 (23.6)
Lower respiratory tract	19 (15.4)	14 (11.4)
Digestive tract	18 (14.6)	20 (16.3)
None	19 (15.4)	28 (22.7)
Severe sepsis or septic shock	4 (3.3)	5 (4.1)
Bacteraemia		
Microbiologic documentation at day 3–4		
Total number of pathogens		
Streptococcus spp.		
Enterobacteriaceae		
Others		
Polymicrobial infection		

Variable	Usual care (n = 123)	Intervention (n = 123)	p
Main outcome criteria ^a	35 (28.5)	55 (44.7)	0.008
Secondary outcome criteria			
Day 1			
Antibiotic indicated or adequately stopped	96 (78.0)	89 (72.4)	0.30
Optimal drug	62/96 (64.6)	61/89 (69.5)	0.57
Two criteria above	62 (50.4)	61 (49.6)	0.9
Optimal administration	87/96 (90.6)	81/89 (91.0)	0.93
Optimal dosing	78/96 (81.2)	68/89 (76.4)	0.42
Day 3–4			
Antibiotic indicated or adequately stopped	97 (78.9)	109 (88.6)	0.04
Optimal drug	61/99 (61.6)	82/105 (78.1)	0.01
Two criteria above	60/120 (50.0)	81/118 (68.6)	0.003
Optimal administration	79/87 (90.8)	77/81 (95.1)	0.28
Optimal dosing	77/87 (88.5)	74/81 (91.4)	0.54
Optimal duration	55 (44.7)	72 (58.5)	0.03
Duration (days)	10 (7–16)	7 (3–14)	0.003

Post-prescription review improves in-hospital antibiotic use: A multicenter randomized controlled trial

Lesprit P et al- *Clin Microbiol Infect* 2015; 21: 180.e1–180.e7

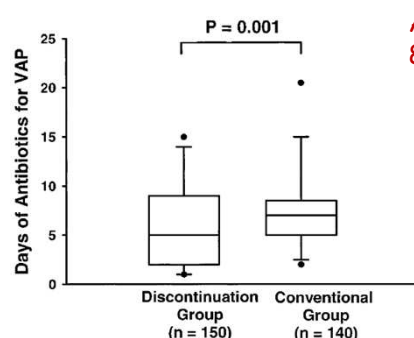
4 hôpitaux/ 3 services

Cluster de 15 jours; Wash out 6 mois

53.2% documentation

ID visit J1 et J3-4

RCT: external rules for VAP treatment discontinuation (vs treating physicians)



Adherence to recommendations
88.7%

Table 4—Clinical Outcome Measures*

Outcomes	Discontinuation Group (n = 150)	Conventional Group (n = 140)	p Value
Hospital mortality	48 (32.0)	52 (37.1)	0.357
Hospital length of stay, d	15.7 ± 18.2	15.4 ± 15.9	0.865
ICU length of stay, d	6.8 ± 6.1	7.0 ± 7.3	0.798
Duration of ventilation, d	5.4 ± 5.7	5.7 ± 7.1	0.649
Subsequent infection	56 (37.3)	46 (32.9)	0.425

*Data are presented as No. (%) or mean ± SD.

FIGURE 2. Box plots for the days of antibiotic treatment for VAP in each study group. The boxes represent the 25th and 75th percentiles, with the 50th percentile (solid lines) shown within the boxes. The 10th and 90th percentiles are shown as capped bars, with circles marking the 5th and 95th percentiles.

ID driven external rules vs PCT driven stopping rules???

Micek et al- CHEST 2004; 125:1791–1799

Factors associated with appropriate aminoglycosides treatment duration

Variable	Observational audit (n = 100)	Intervention audit (n = 100)	P value
Aminoglycoside use justified, n (%)	93 (93)	92 (92)	0.788
Correct drug prescribed, n (%)	98 (98)	93 (93)	0.170
Appropriate administration mode, n (%)	68 (68)	66 (66)	0.764
single-daily dose	28 (41)	31 (47)	0.642
twice-daily dose	26 (38)	19 (29)	0.236
other	14 (21)	16 (24)	0.692
Correct treatment duration	56 (56)	73 (73)	0.012
Treatment duration, days	6 (4–8)	4 (3–6)	0.0002
Drug level assay performed, n (%)	37 (37)	39 (39)	0.011
Correct monitoring modalities, n (%)	23 (40)	23 (61)	0.054
median delay, days ^a	2 (1–3)	2 (1–3)	0.290
peak sampled	26 (46)	24 (60)	0.163
trough sampled	56 (98)	39 (100)	>0.999
correct peak value	10 (38)	15 (60)	0.124
correct trough value	27 (48)	28 (72)	0.022

→ ICU

OR, 4.46 (1.6–12.5)

→ Polymicrobial infection

OR, 3.97 (1.3–11.9)

→ Antibiotic control team intervention

OR, 2.49 (1.27–4.87)

Zahar JR et al - Journal of Antimicrobial Chemotherapy (2006) 58, 651–656

5. Comment réévaluer et diminuer la durée des traitements antibiotiques ?

► Lorsque l'antibiothérapie initiale est adaptée, pour une **pneumonie associée à la ventilation chez les patients non immunodéprimés**, il faut limiter la durée totale de l'antibiothérapie à **8 jours** quelle(s) que soi(en)t la(les) bactérie(s) responsable(s). (Accord faible)

► En dehors de situations cliniques particulières, **il faut probablement limiter à 5-7 jours le traitement pour une infection communautaire**. (Accord fort)

► En dehors d'une bactériémie à *S. aureus*, ou d'une bactériémie compliquée de métastases infectieuses, il faut probablement **limiter à 5-7 jours le traitement d'une bactériémie liée au cathéter** si les hémocultures se négativent dans les trois premiers jours du traitement et que le cathéter a été retiré. (Accord fort)

► Il faut probablement mettre en place une **concertation pluridisciplinaire** afin d'améliorer l'adéquation des antibiothérapies, d'augmenter le taux de désescalade et de limiter leur consommation. (Accord fort)

► Il faut probablement mettre en place des **protocoles d'antibiothérapie** pour améliorer le pronostic des patients et pour limiter l'émergence de résistances aux antibiotiques. (Accord fort)

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Bretonniere et al – RFE- Intensive Care Med (2015) 41:1181–1196

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Réévaluation et durée des traitements antibiotiques

1- Il faut une réévaluation de l'antibiothérapie chez tous les patients de réanimation au plus tard à 48-72h et faire une désescalade en fonction de la situation clinique et des données microbiologiques (Accord fort).

2- Concernant la PCT :

- Il faut **probablement utiliser la procalcitonine pour guider l'interruption des antibiotiques** au cours des infections chez les patients de réanimation, notamment au cours des infections respiratoires basses. Lorsque la procalcitonine plasmatique est inférieure à 0.5 ng/ml ou que la procalcitonine plasmatique a diminué de plus de 80% par rapport à la valeur maximale, l'antibiothérapie peut être arrêtée (Accord faible).

- Il faut probablement mettre en place des recommandations locales structurant cette réévaluation afin de réduire l'exposition des patients aux antibiotiques en réanimation (Accord fort).

- Il faut **probablement doser la PCT toutes les 48h à 72h au-delà de J3 afin de réduire la durée de l'antibiothérapie** (Accord faible).

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Key rules

- AVOID starting antimicrobials if useless
- USE HIGH DOSE for initial treatment if antimicrobials are started
- STOP early preemptive treatment
 - Maximal effort for diagnosing infection BEFORE treatment
- Duration of treatment
 - Should be shorter than originally stated
 - Bacterial killing
 - Tissue diffusion / half life
 - PCT or ID driven approaches, both?
- Cautiously
 - Inadequate initial treatment
 - Immunocompromized patients
 - Devices and foreign materials
 - MDR/XDR organisms

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	We suggest using procalcitonin to guide the interruption of antibiotic therapy in intensive care unit patients, especially those with lower respiratory tract infections. When plasma procalcitonin concentration is below 0.5 ng/mL or has decreased by over 80 % from the peak value, antibiotic treatment can be stopped 2B
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	Outside particular clinical situations, we recommend limiting treatment of a community-acquired infection to 5–7 days 1B Apart from <i>S. aureus</i> bacteraemia, we recommend limiting treatment of catheter-associated bacteraemia to 5–7 days if the blood cultures become negative in the first 3 days of treatment, if the catheter has been removed and in the absence of secondary infected sites 1B