



# LA TERAPIA DI COMBINAZIONE ANTIBATTERICA: PRO E CONTRO

**22 Aprile 2024 – Ore 16.00-19.00**

16.00-19.00	<b>LA TERAPIA DI COMBINAZIONE ANTIBATTERICA: PRO E CONTRO</b> Moderatore: Prof.ssa Alessandra Bandera (Milano)
16.00	<b>Il paziente critico</b> Bruno Viaggi (Firenze)
16.20	<b>Discussione</b>
16.30	<b>Le infezioni Enterobacteriales MDR</b> Elena Carrara (Verona)
16.50	<b>Discussione</b>
17.00	<b>Le infezioni da <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i></b> Daniele Roberto Giacobbe (Genova)
17.20	<b>Discussione</b>
17.30	<b>L'infezione complicata da <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i></b> Michele Bartoletti (Milano)
17.50	<b>Discussione</b>
18.00	<b>Review di Casistica Clinica</b> (2 interventi di Specializzandi 15' max + 5' discussione) .....
18.45	<b>Conclusioni e chiusura dei lavori</b>

La terapia di Combinazione Antibatterica: Pro e Contro - il *paziente critico*



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## Dichiarazione su potenziali conflitti di interesse

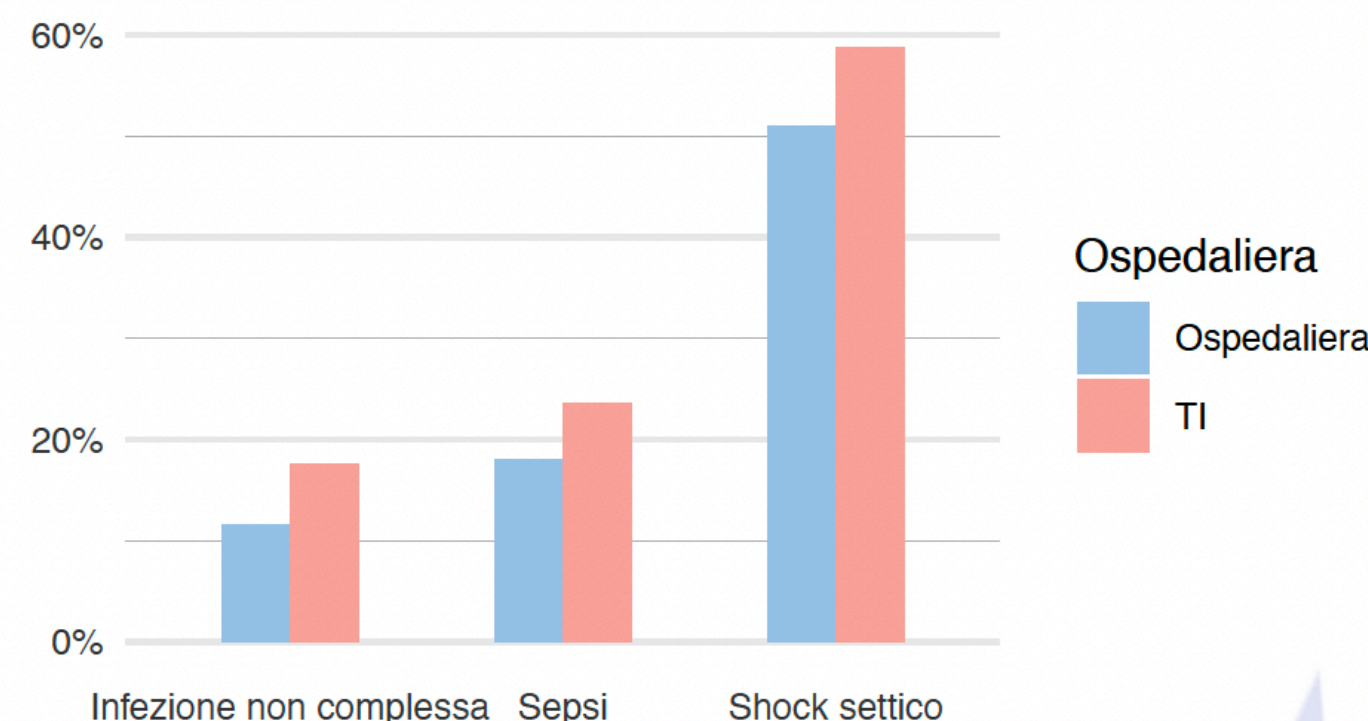
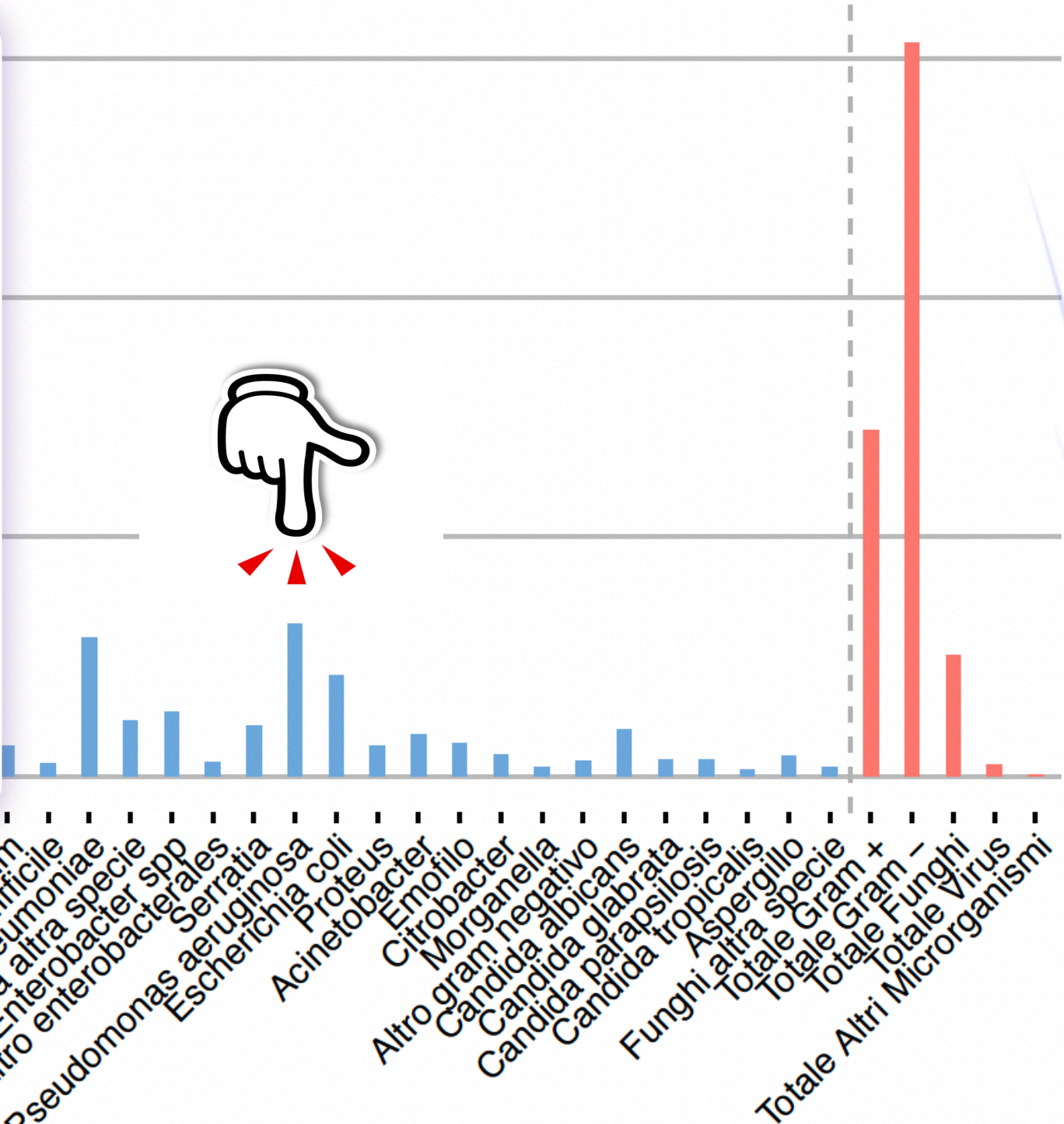
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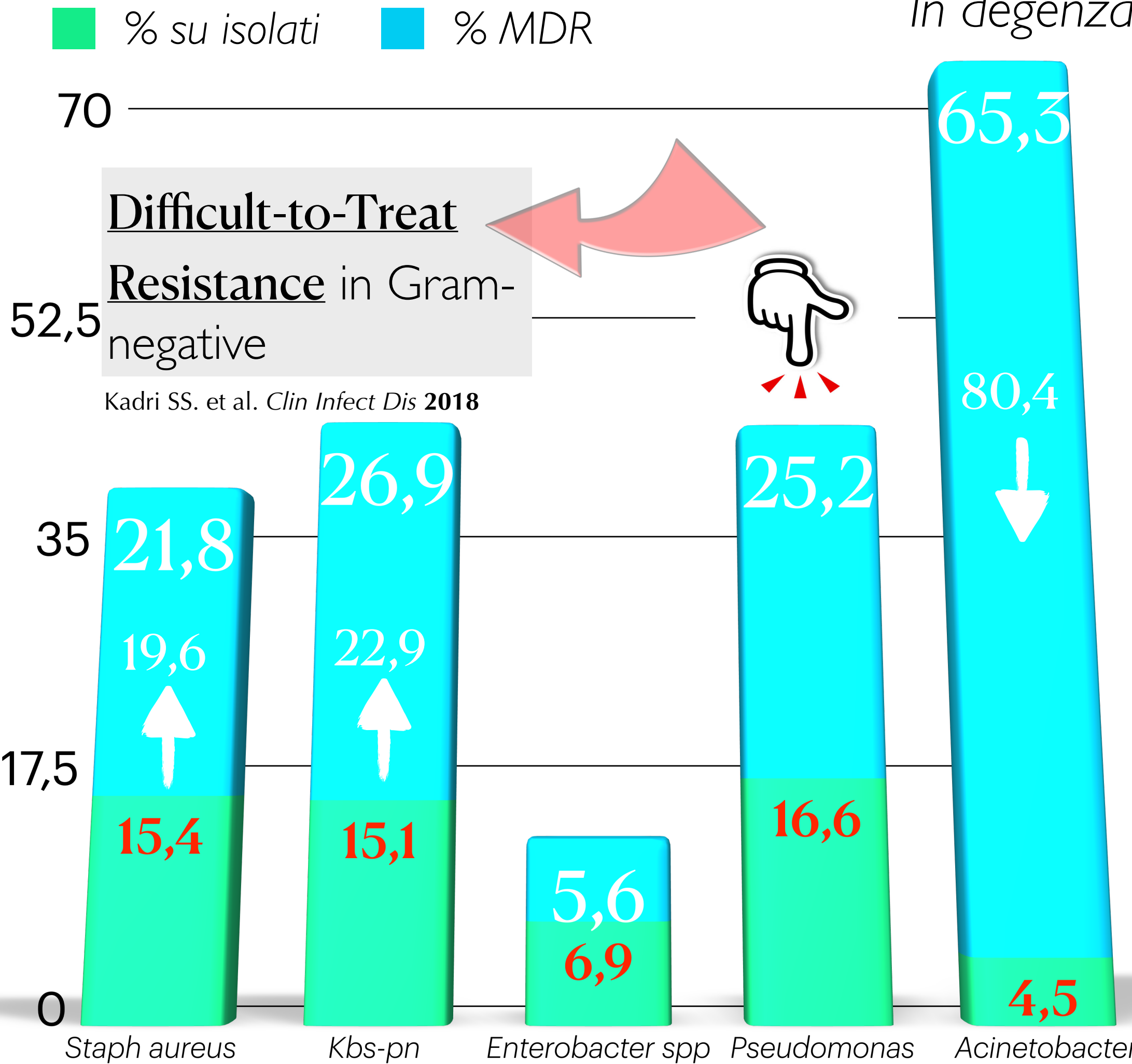
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NDM	19,1
OXA	13,0
VIM	9,9



Mortalità per gravità infezione ( % )	TI	Ospedaliera
Infezione non complessa	11.6	17.5
Sepsì	18.0	23.6
Shock settico	50.9	58.8

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Andre C. Kalil<sup>1\*</sup> and Jean-Francois Timsit<sup>2,3</sup> *Intensive Care Med* 2020

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Our 2020 bedside actions to prevent antibiotic overuse can curtail the development of antibiotic resistance and beat the Blade Runner's gloomy prediction for 2049



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## Recommendations

- 19. For adults with sepsis or septic shock and high risk for multidrug resistant (MDR) organisms, we **suggest** using two antimicrobials with gram-negative coverage for empiric treatment over one gram-negative agent  
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- 20. For adults with sepsis or septic shock and low risk for MDR organisms, we **suggest against** using two Gram-negative agents for empiric treatment, as compared to one Gram-negative agent  
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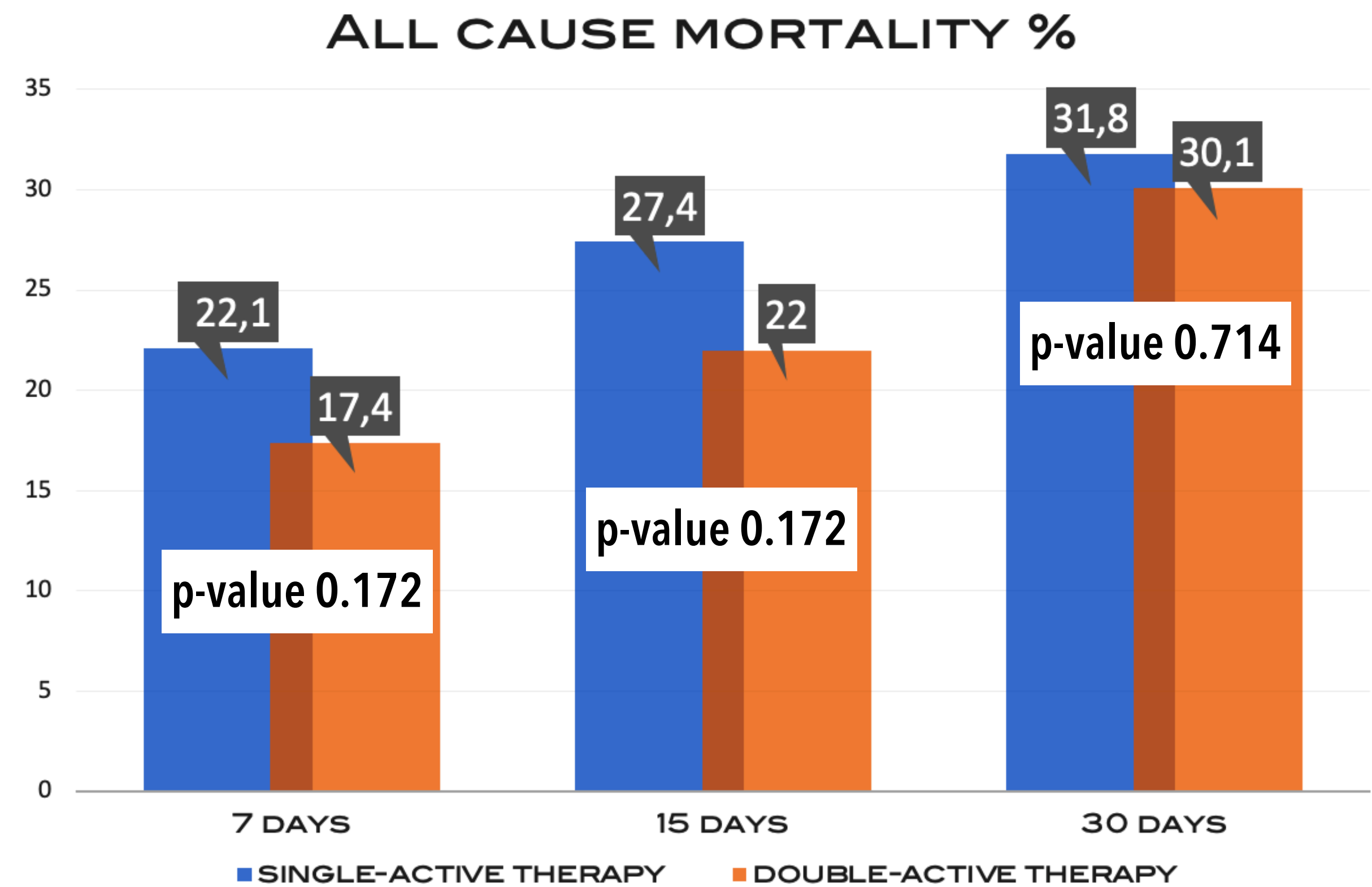


# Influence of empirical *double-active combination* antimicrobial therapy compared with active monotherapy on mortality in patients with septic shock: a propensity score-adjusted and matched analysis

Ripa M. et al. *J Antimicrob Chemother* 2017; 72:3443-3452

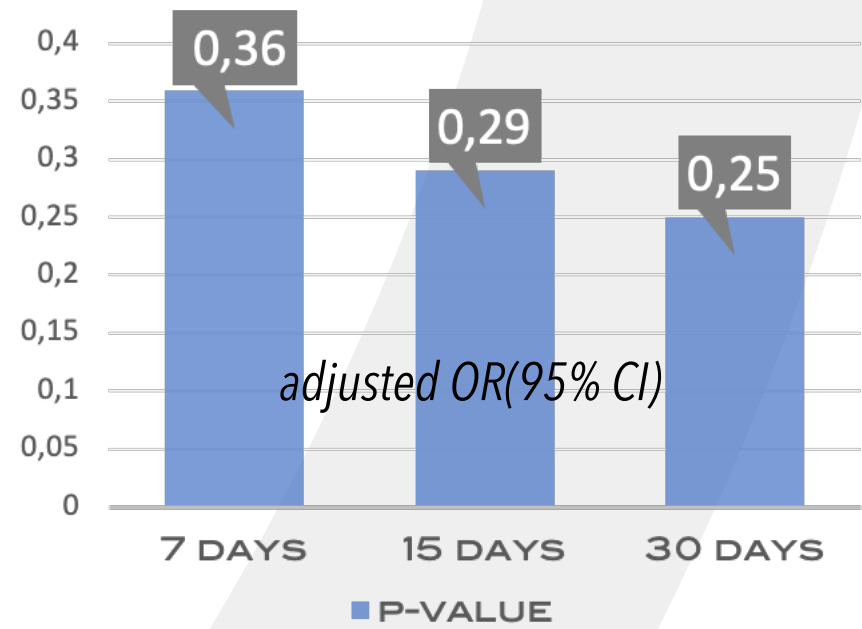
**576** patients with monomicrobial septic shock who received active empirical antimicrobial therapy were included  
**340** received AM and **236** DACT

**DACT** double-active combination antimicrobial therapy **AM** active monotherapy

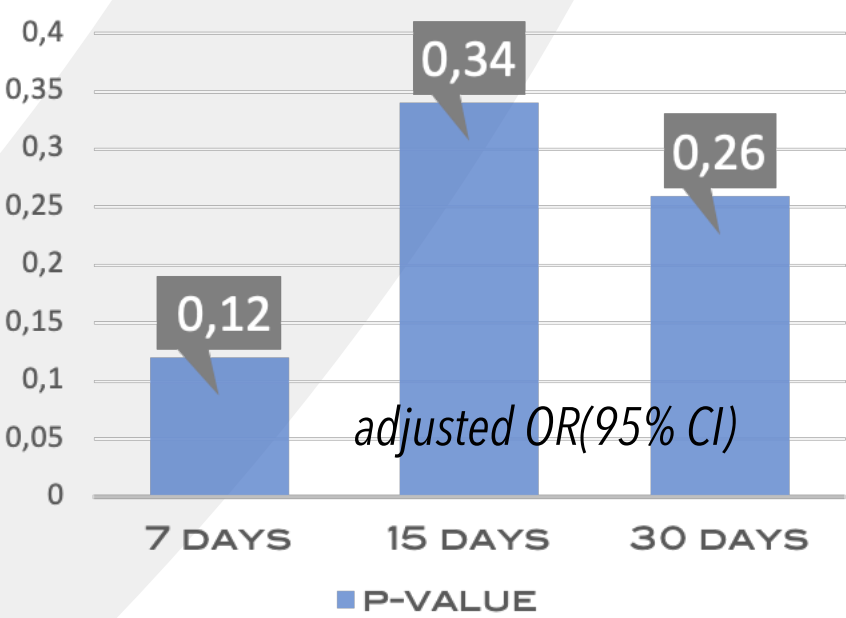


No difference in 7, 15 and 30 day all-cause mortality was found

### NEUTROPENIA (N=69)



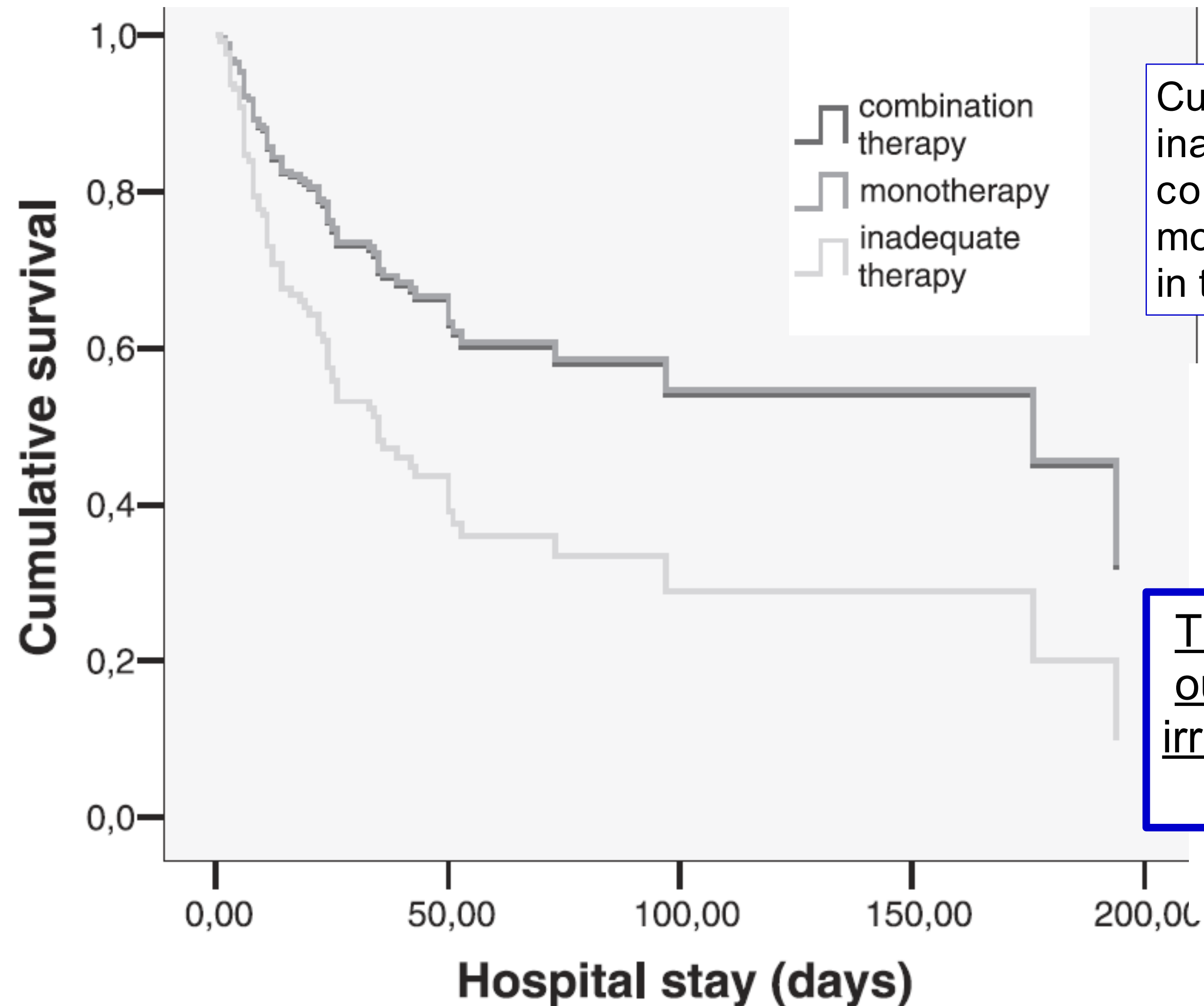
### PSEUDOMONAS (N=61)





# Optimal management therapy for *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* VAP: An observational, multicenter study comparing monotherapy with combination antibiotic therapy

Garnacho-Montero J. et al. *Crit Care Med* **2007**; 35:1888–1895



Cumulative survival curves of patients with inappropriate empirical antibiotic therapy compared with patients with effective monotherapy or effective combined therapy in the empirical therapy

The variable associated with favorable outcome is the adequacy of treatment, irrespective of the combo or non combo regimen

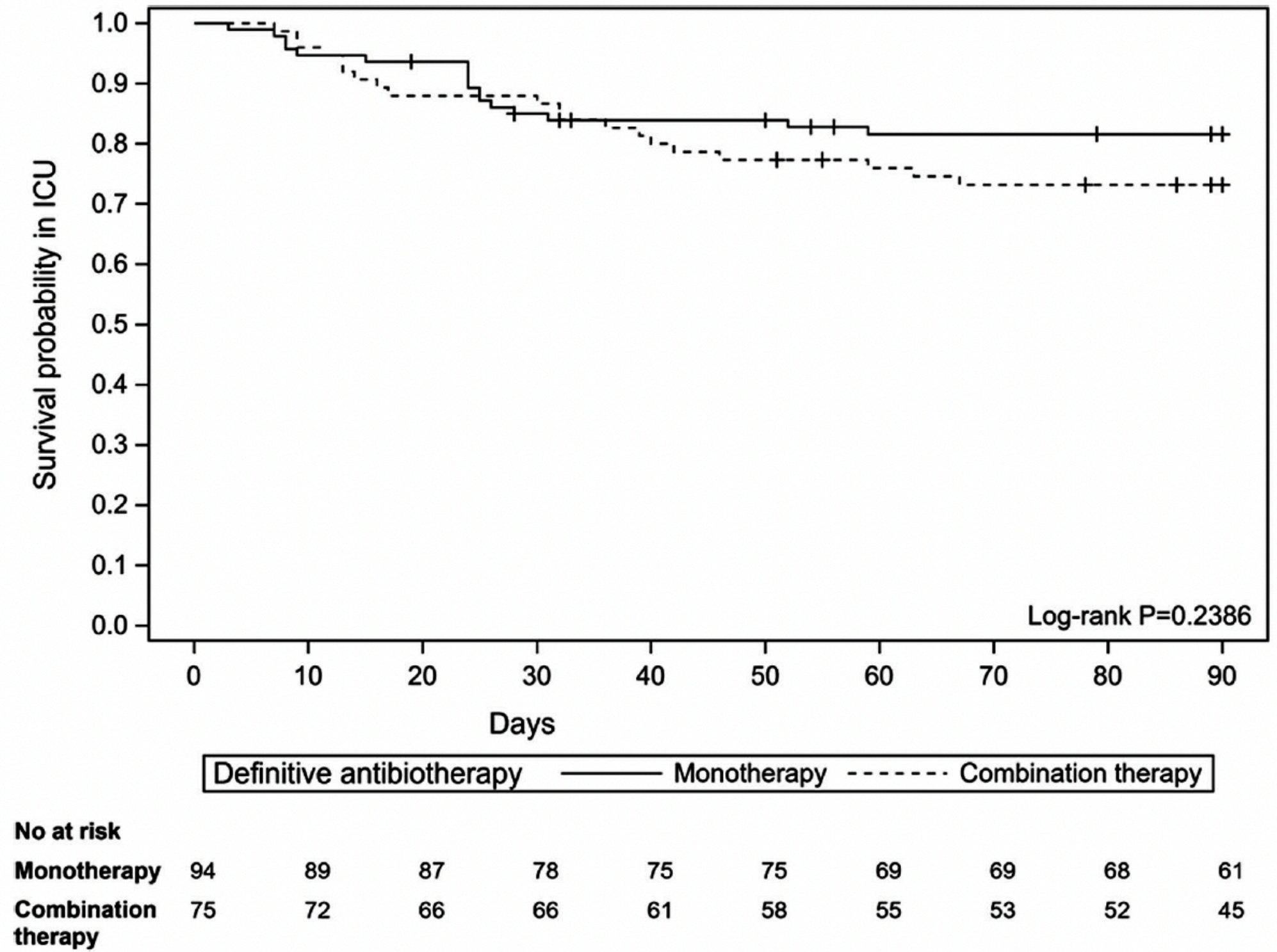


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ICU mortality	17 (18.1)	20 (26.7)	0.1801
Recurrence of VAP	15 (16.0)	8 (10.7)	0.3190
Number of days under mechanical ventilation <sup>a</sup>	23.0 [12.0; 34.0]	28.0 [16.5; 50.0]	0.0243
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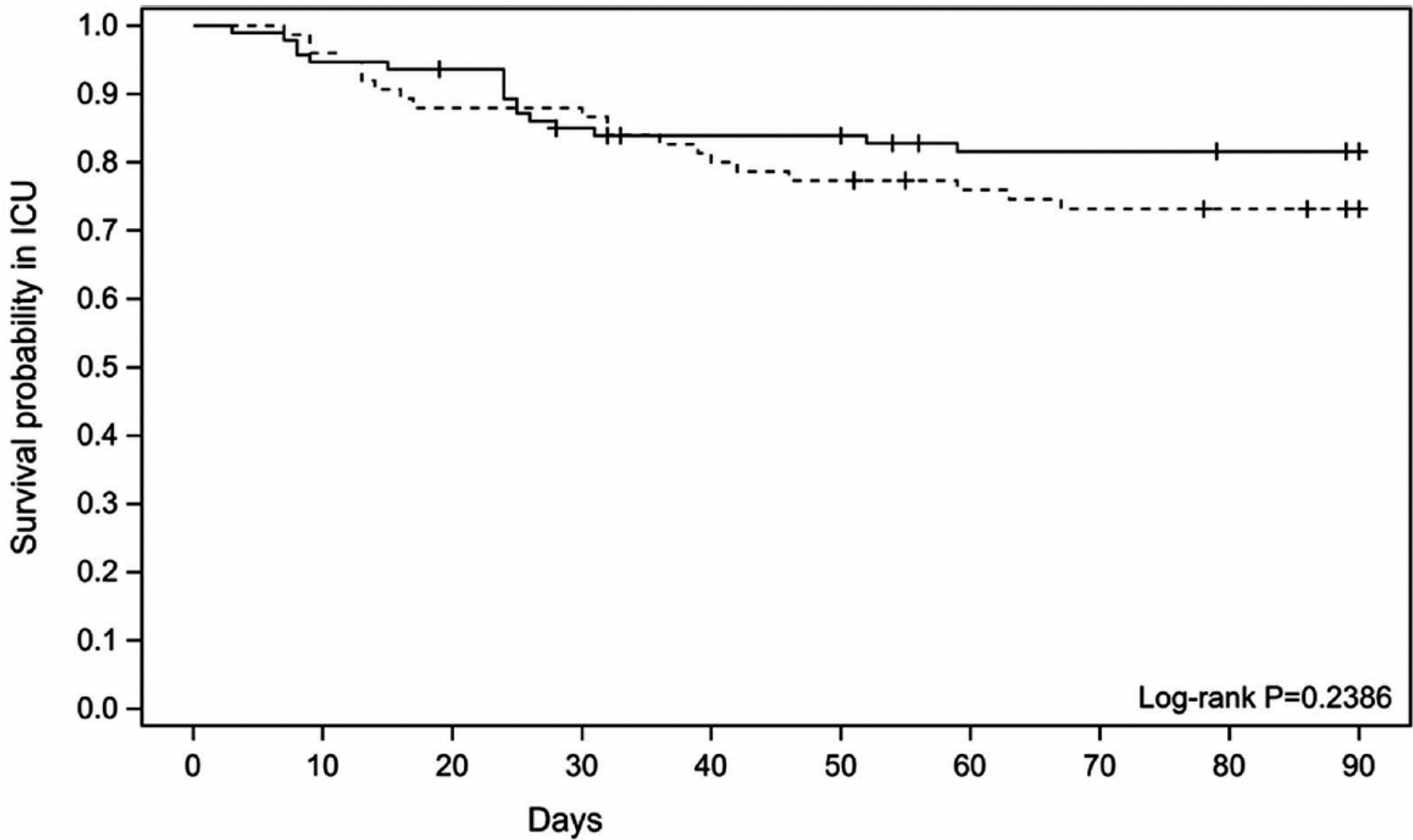
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**CONCLUSION**  
the use of combination therapy versus monotherapy *was not associated* with a difference in mortality or PA-VAP recurrence in ICU at day 90

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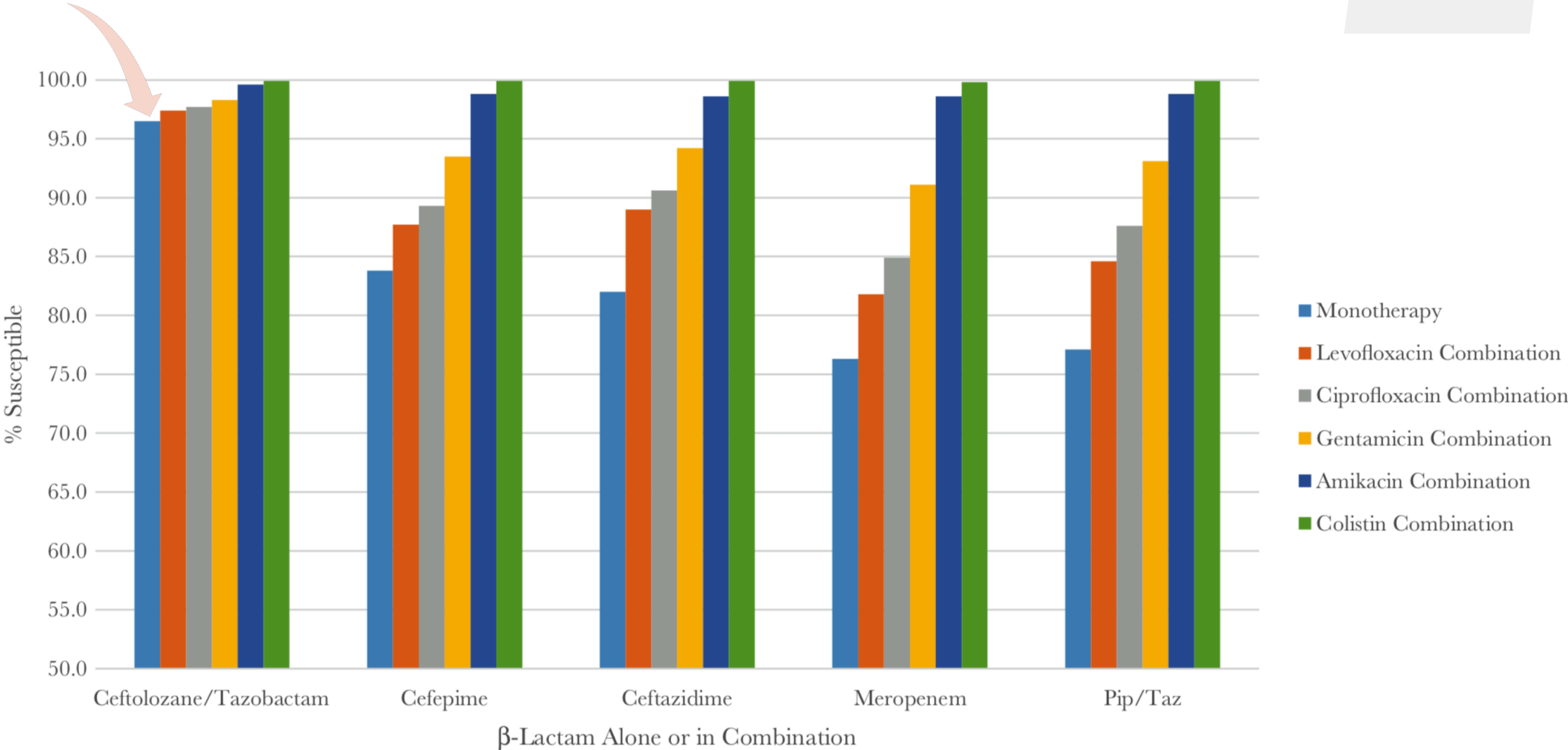
No at risk	94	89	87	78	75	75	69	69	68	61
Monotherapy	75	72	66	66	61	58	55	53	52	45
Combination therapy										



# Comparison of the in Vitro ***Susceptibility*** of ***C/T*** with the Cumulative susceptibility Rates of Standard Antibiotic combinations when tested against *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* from ICU patients with BSIs or Pneumonia

Shortridge D. et al. *Open Forum Infect Dis* 2019

**Methods:** Isolates were collected from intensive care unit patients hospitalized in 32 US hospitals from 2011 to 2017. The susceptibilities of 1543 *P. aeruginosa* isolates from bloodstream infections (198 isolates, 12.8%) or pneumonia (1345 isolates, 87.2%) were determined for ceftolozane-tazobactam and comparators



A threshold of 95% susceptibility was used for comparison as recommended in the IDSA guidelines for management of patients with HAP/VAP



# Novel BLICs as monotherapy versus combination for the treatment of drug-resistant *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* infections: A multicenter cohort study

Almangour TA et al. *J Antimicrob Chemother* 2024

**Table 3**  
Subgroup analysis of the outcomes in patients who received monotherapy combination therapy.

Type of infection	Combination therapy (%)	Monotherapy (%)	P
HAP			
In-hospital mortality	50	44	0.352
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Clinical cure	50	61	0.536
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30-day mortality	24	20	0.725
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UTI			
In-hospital mortality	33	29	0.832
30-day mortality	17	14	0.891
Clinical cure	67	86	0.344
IAI			
In-hospital mortality	75	38	0.131
30-day mortality	67	38	0.248
Clinical cure	50	75	0.301

Abbreviation: HAP: hospital-acquired pneumonia; IAI: intraabdominal infection; UTI: urinary tract infection; VAP: ventilator-associated pneumonia.

HOWEVER, AKI (32% vs. 12%;  $P = 0.0006$ ; OR, 3.45; 95% CI, 1.67–7.13) WAS SIGNIFICANTLY MORE COMMON IN PATIENTS WHO RECEIVED COMBINATION THERAPY

1041 patients retrieved from the medical records  
155 received C-T  
886 received CAZ-AVI

Finally included in combination therapy arm  
n = 82  
CAZ-AVI = 35; C-T = 47

Finally included in monotherapy arm  
n = 118  
CAZ-AVI = 65; C-T = 53

**Result:** 118 patients and 82 patients were included in monotherapy and combination therapy arms, respectively. The cohort represented an ill population with 56% in the intensive care unit and 37% in septic shock. A total of 19% of patients presented with bacteremia. Compared to monotherapy, combination therapy **did not significantly differ** in clinical cure (57% vs. 68%;  $P = 0.313$ ; OR, 0.63; 95% CI, 0.36–1.14) in-hospital mortality (45% vs. 37%;  $P = 0.267$ ; OR, 1.38; 95% CI, 0.78–2.45), or 30-day mortality (27% vs. 24%;  $P = 0.619$ ; OR, 1.18; 95% CI, 0.62–1.25).



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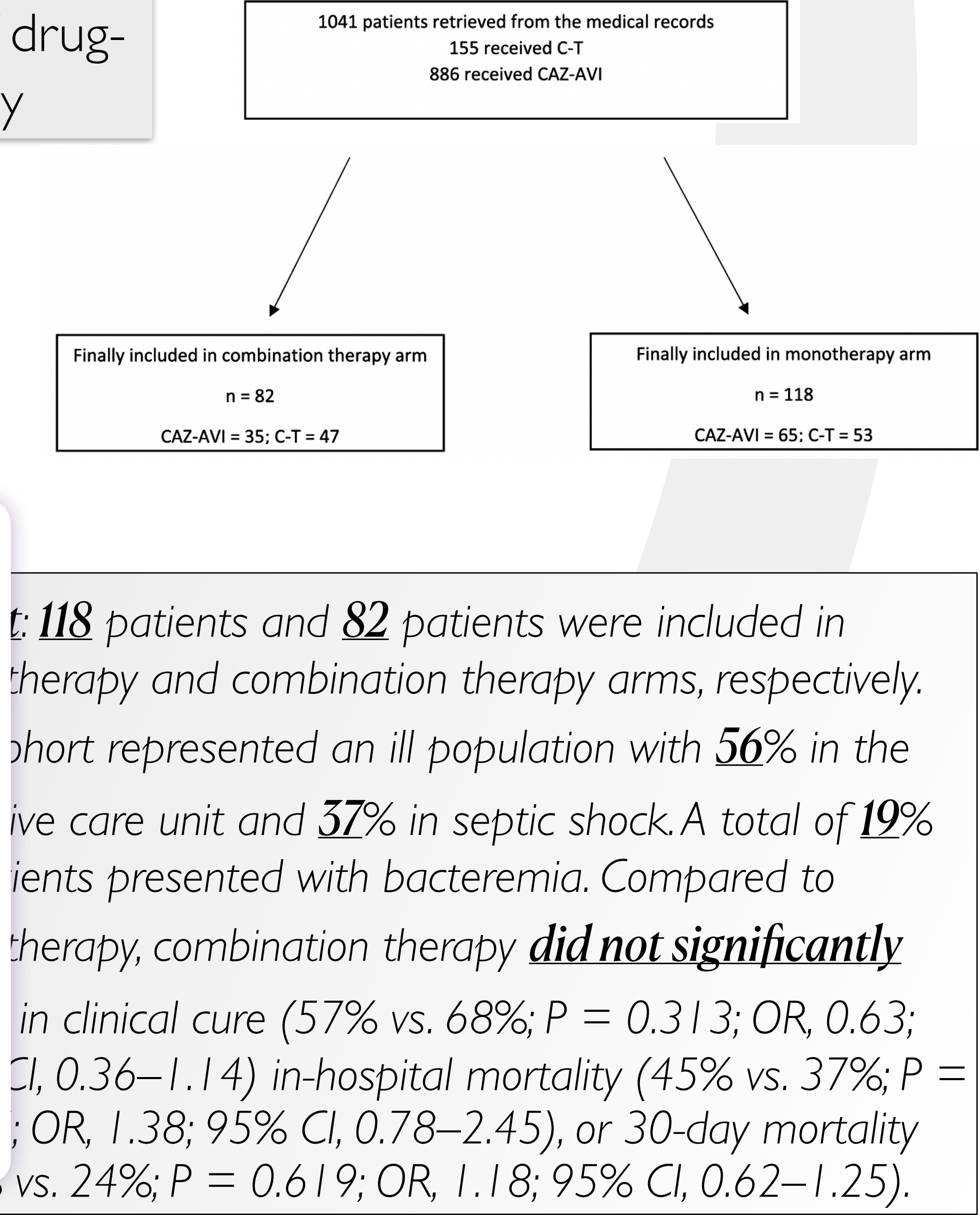
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In conclusion, this study showed that the two novel agents CAZ-AVI and C-T were not associated with better outcomes when used in combination with other antipseudomonal agents versus as monotherapy for the treatment of infections caused by multidrug-resistant *P. aeruginosa*. In the effort of reducing unnecessary antibiotic use, cost, and adverse effects, if the isolate is susceptible to the novel antipseudomonal agent being considered for treatment, monotherapy should be sufficient





**Ceftolozane:** basis for potent anti-*Pseudomonas* activity

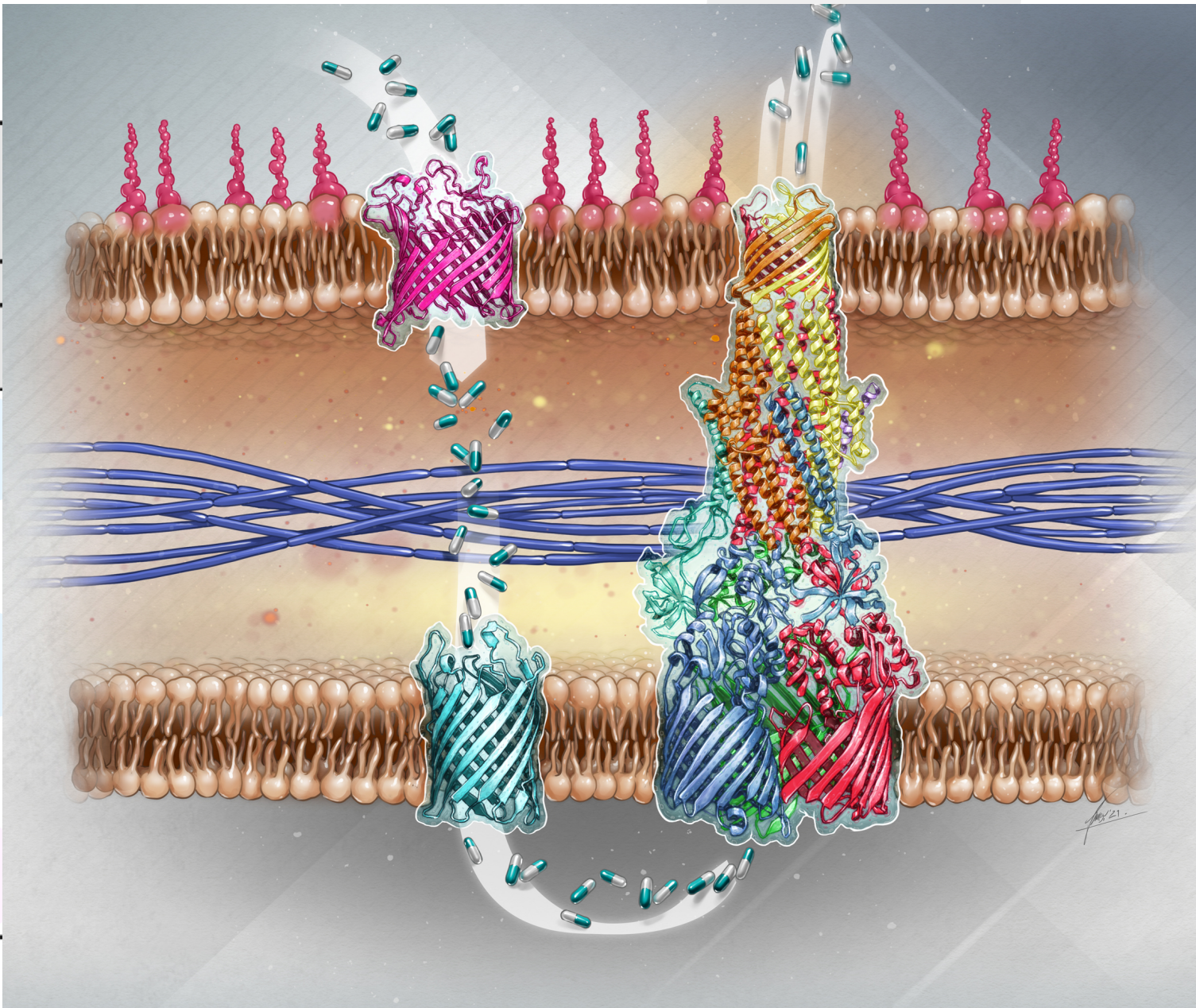
Wi YM. et al. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother* **2018**

**TABLE 3** MIC range and resistance rates for ceftolozane-tazobactam and ceftazidime-avibactam according to results for resistance mechanisms among non-carbapenemase-producing CRPA clinical isolates

Resistance mechanism	No. of isolates	MIC range (median) (mg/liter)		% resistance	
		Ceftolozane-tazobactam	Ceftazidime-avibactam	Ceftolozane-tazobactam	Ceftazidime-avibactam
Decreased <i>oprD</i> expression	13	1–16 (2)	2–16 (4)	7.7	15.4
Decreased <i>oprD</i> and increased <i>mexB</i> expression <sup>a</sup>	9	1–4 (2)	2–32 (16)	0	55.6
Decreased <i>oprD</i> and increased <i>mexY</i> expression	1	1	2	0	0
Decreased <i>oprD</i> and increased <i>ampC</i> expression	3	1–4 (2)	4–8 (4)	0	0
Decreased <i>oprD</i> and increased <i>mexB</i> and <i>ampC</i> expression	4	2–32 (4)	8–16 (16)	25.0	50.0
Decreased <i>oprD</i> and increased <i>mexY</i> and <i>ampC</i> expression	1	2	16	0	100
Decreased <i>oprD</i> and increased <i>mexB</i> , <i>mexD</i> , and <i>ampC</i> expression	6	1–4 (2)	2–8 (4)	0	0
Decreased <i>oprD</i> and increased <i>mexB</i> , <i>mexY</i> , and <i>ampC</i> expression	2	2	8	0	0
Increased <i>mexB</i> expression	2	2	8–16	0	50
Increased <i>mexY</i> and <i>ampC</i> expression	1	4	16	0	100

<sup>a</sup>*P* < 0.05 in comparison of percent resistance to ceftolozane-tazobactam with that to ceftazidime-avibactam.

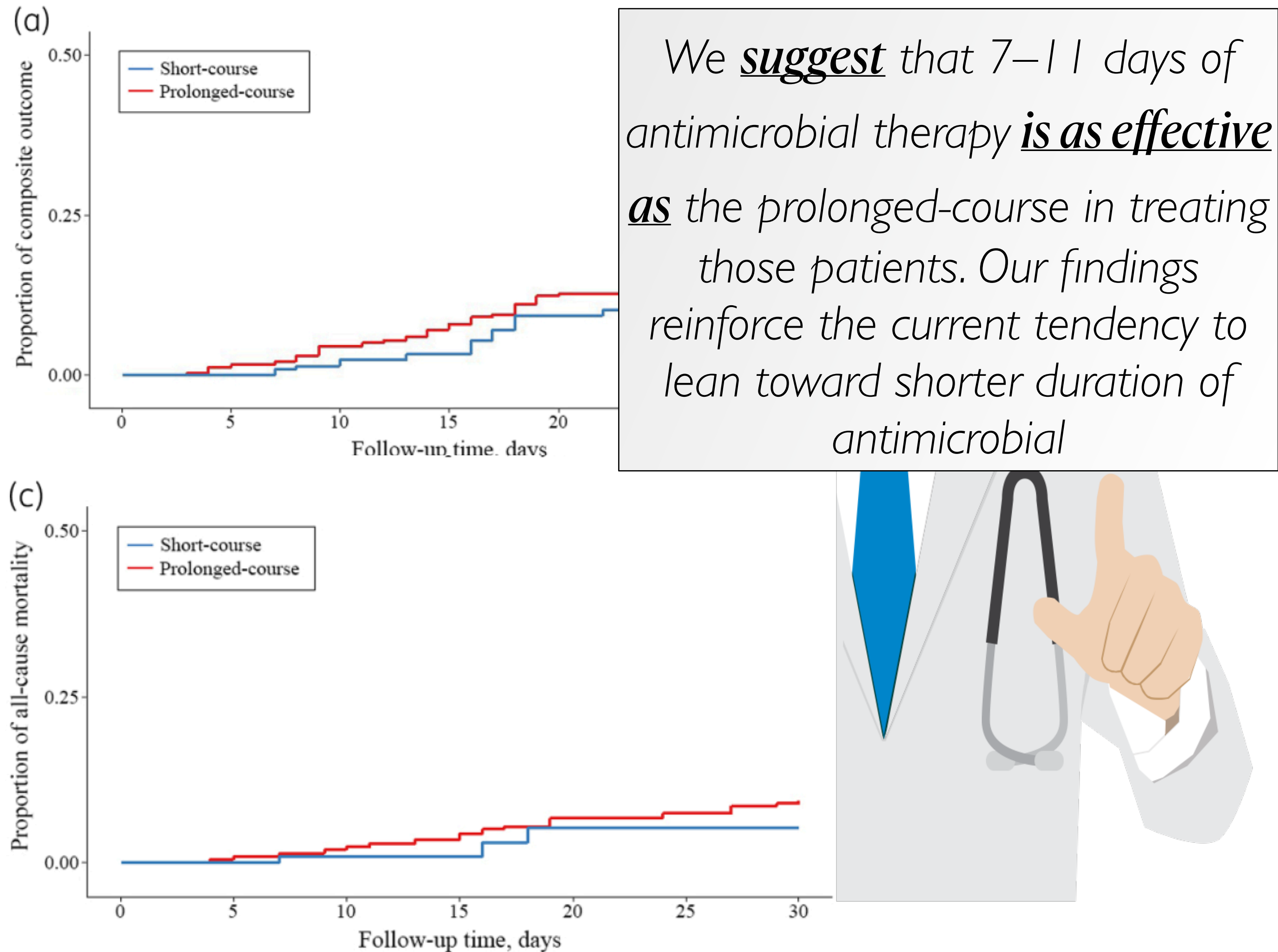
The C/T resistance rate was significantly lower than that of C/A among isolates showing decreased *oprD* and increased *mexB* expression (5.1% versus 25.6%, *P* > 0.025, and 4.3% versus 34.8%, *P* > 0.022, respectively)



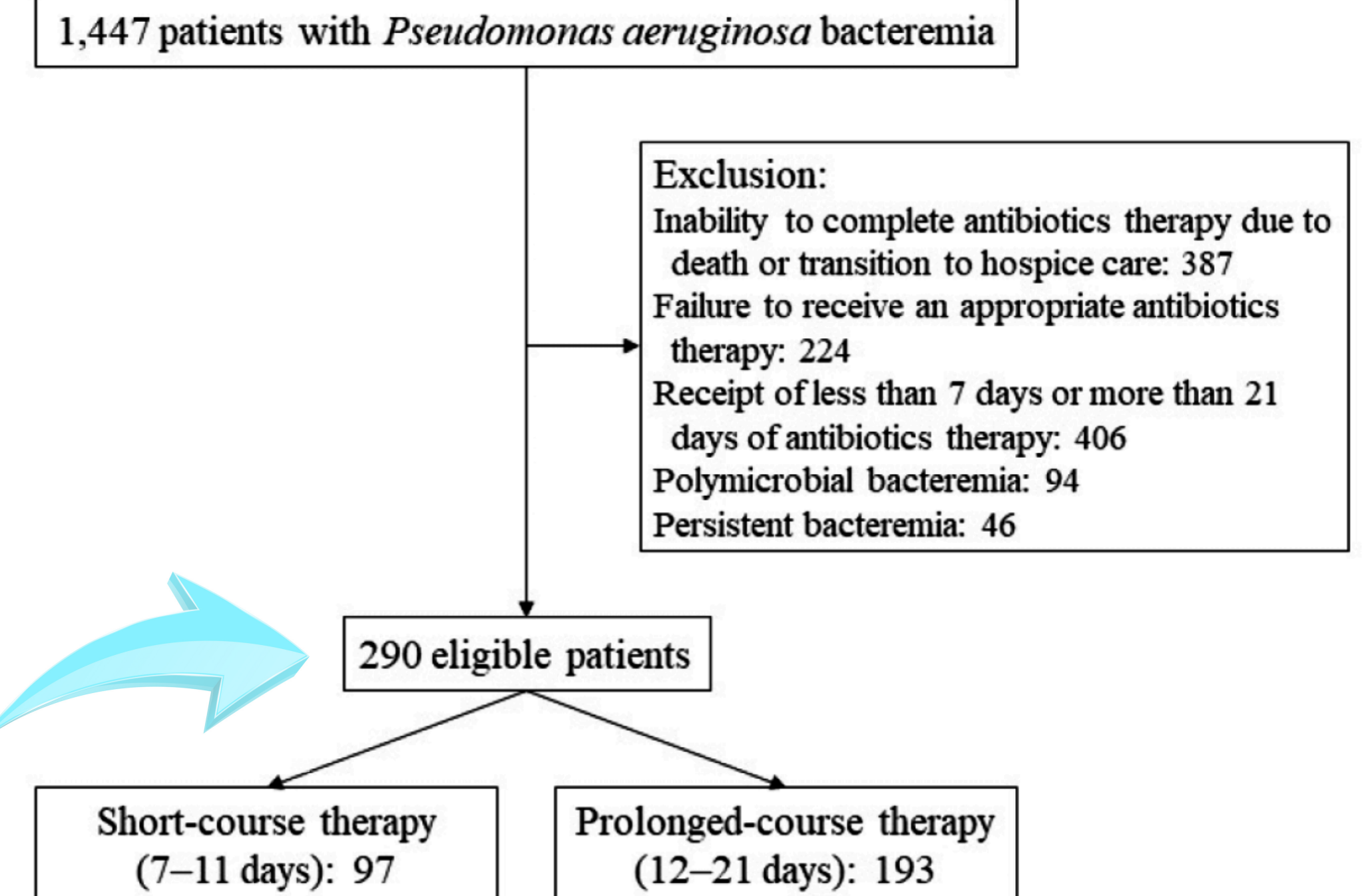


# Short versus prolonged courses of antimicrobial therapy for patients with uncomplicated *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* bloodstream infection: a retrospective study

Bae M. et al. *J Antimicrob Agents* 2022



**METHODS:** All patients with uncomplicated *P. aeruginosa* BSI admitted at a tertiary-care hospital from April 2010 to April 2020 were included. We compared the primary outcome (a composite of the rate of recurrent *P. aeruginosa* infection and mortality within 30 days after discontinuing antimicrobial therapy) among patients who underwent short (7–11 days) and prolonged (12–21 days) courses of antimicrobial therapy using propensity score analysis with the inverse probability of treatment weighting (IPTW) method





Is short-course antibiotic therapy suitable for *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* bloodstream infections in onco-hematology patients with febrile neutropenia? Results of a multi-institutional analysis

Feng X. et al. *Clin Infect Dis* **2023**; 10.1093/cid/ciad605

**RESULTS:** 434 patients met eligibility criteria (short-course, 7-11 days, n=229; prolonged, 12-21 days, n=205). In the weighted cohort, the univariate and multivariate analysis indicated that short course antibiotic therapy had similar outcomes to the prolonged course. The recurrent PA infection at any site or mortality within 30 days of completing therapy occurred in 8 (3.9%) patients in the short-course group and in 10 (4.9%) in the prolonged-course group (p = 0.979).



Characteristic	Mortality or recurrent infection within 30 days			Fever relapse within 7 days			Recurrent infection within 90 days		
	no	yes	P value	no	yes	P value	no	yes	P value
Monotherapy	209 (53.3)	6 (33.3)	0.156	199 (52.6)	16 (50.0)	0.918	200 (53.1)	15 (45.5)	0.512
MDR-PA	42 (10.7)	7 (38.9)	<0.001	41 (10.8)	8 (25.0)	0.037	39 (10.3)	10 (30.3)	0.002
CRPA	76 (19.4)	7 (38.9)	0.044	74 (19.6)	9 (28.1)	0.354	73 (19.4)	10 (30.3)	0.203

**BACKGROUND:** several studies have suggested that short-course antibiotic therapy was effective in *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* (PA) bloodstream infections (BSI) in immunocompetent patients. While similar studies in patients with hematological malignancies were rare

**CONCLUSION**

In the study, short-course therapy was non-inferior to prolonged-course therapy in terms of clinical outcomes. However, due to its biases and limitations, further prospective randomized controlled trials are needed to generalize our findings



Antibacterial effect of 7 days exposure to *ceftolozane-tazobactam* as monotherapy and in combo with fosfomycin or tobramycin against *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* with ceftolozane-tazobactam MICs at or above 4 mg/l in an in vitro PK model

Attwood M. et al. *J Antimicrob Chemother* **2023**;doi.org/10.1093/jac/dkad230

### SUMMARY

the addition of either fosfomycin or tobramycin to ceftolozane/tazobactam at simulated human clinically observed concentrations reduced *P. aeruginosa* bacterial loads and the risk of resistance to ceftolozane/tazobactam when strains had ceftolozane/tazobactam MIC values at or above the clinical breakpoint

Only in difficult strains  
of *Pseudomonas*

**METHODS**: an in vitro model was used to assess changes in bacterial load and population profiles after exposure to mean human serum concentrations of *ceftolozane/tazobactam* associated with doses of 2 g/1 g q8h, *fosfomycin* concentrations associated with doses of 8 g q8h or *tobramycin* at doses of 7 mg/kg q24 h over 168 h

**RESULTS**: simulations of ceftolozane/tazobactam at 2 g/1 g q8h **ALONE** produced 3.5–4.5 log reductions in count by 6 h post drug exposure for strains with MIC ≤32 mg/L. The antibacterial effect over the first 24 h was related to ceftolozane/tazobactam MIC. There was subsequent regrowth with most strains to bacterial densities of >10<sup>6</sup> CFU/mL. Addition of either fosfomycin or tobramycin resulted in suppression of regrowth and in the case of **TOBRAMYCIN** more rapid initial bacterial killing up to 6 h. Changes in population profiles were noted with ceftolozane/tazobactam alone often after 96 h exposure but such changes were suppressed by fosfomycin and almost abolished by the addition of tobramycin



*C/T* plus ***tobramycin*** against free-floating and biofilm bacteria of hypermutable *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* epidemic strains: resistance mechanisms and synergistic activity

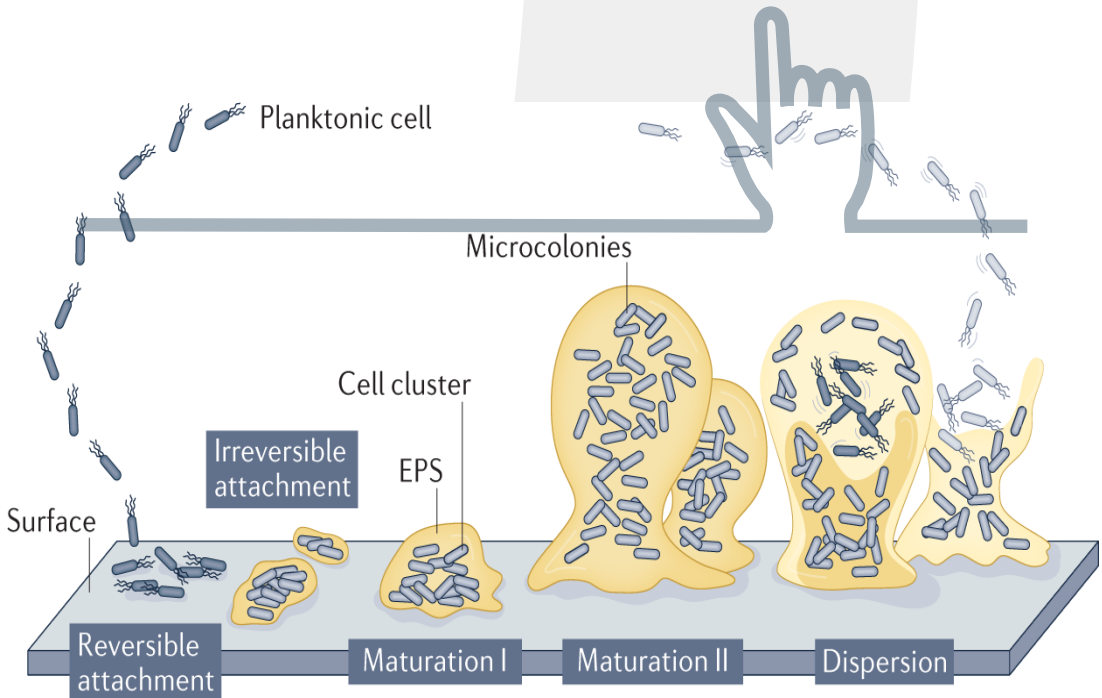
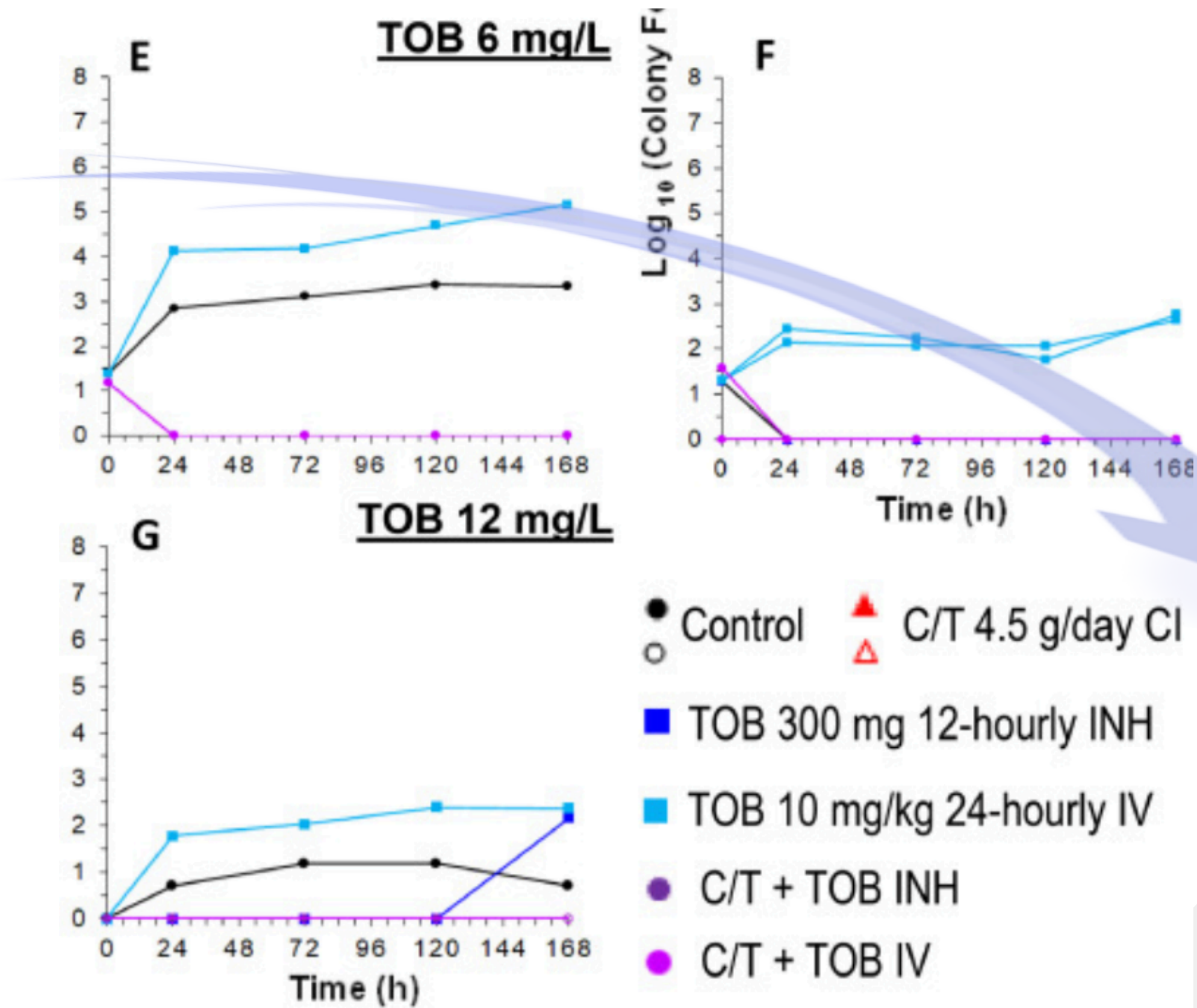
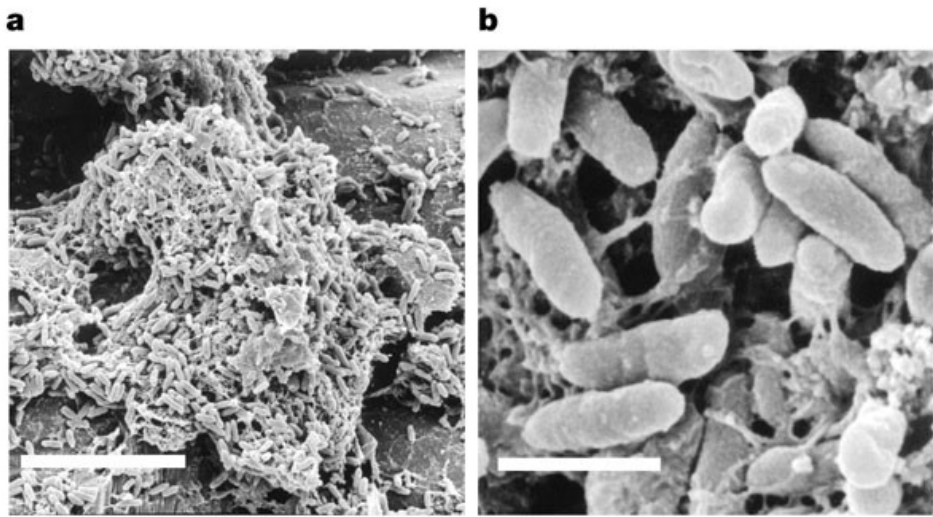
Agyeman AA. et al. *Int J Antimicrob Agents* 2023

In conclusion, we demonstrated that *ceftolozane/tazobactam 4.5 g/day* as continuous infusion in combination with *tobramycin 300 mg q12h* inhaled, or potentially *tobramycin 10 mg/kg q24h IV*, may be a viable option for episodes of acute pulmonary exacerbations against *P. aeruginosa* epidemic strains in adolescents with CF



Only in difficult strains of *Pseudomonas*

Sauer K. et al. *Nature Reviews Microbiol* 2022; 20:608-620

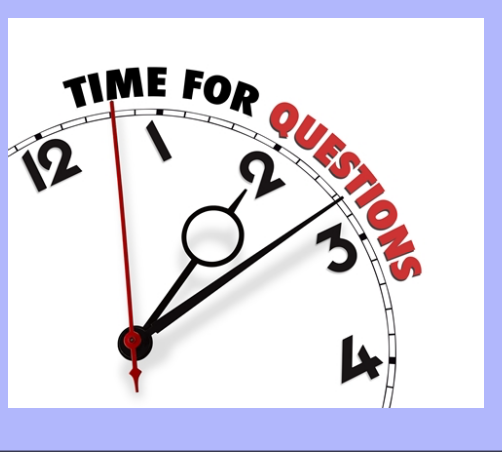


The combination might be most useful against carbapenem-resistant, extensively drug-resistant isolates, when other treatment options are limited



# Mono vs. combo regimens with novel beta-lactam/beta-lactamase inhibitor combinations for the treatment of infections due to carbapenemase-producing *Enterobacterales*: insights from the literature

Meini S, Viaggi B, Tascini C. *Infection* 2021

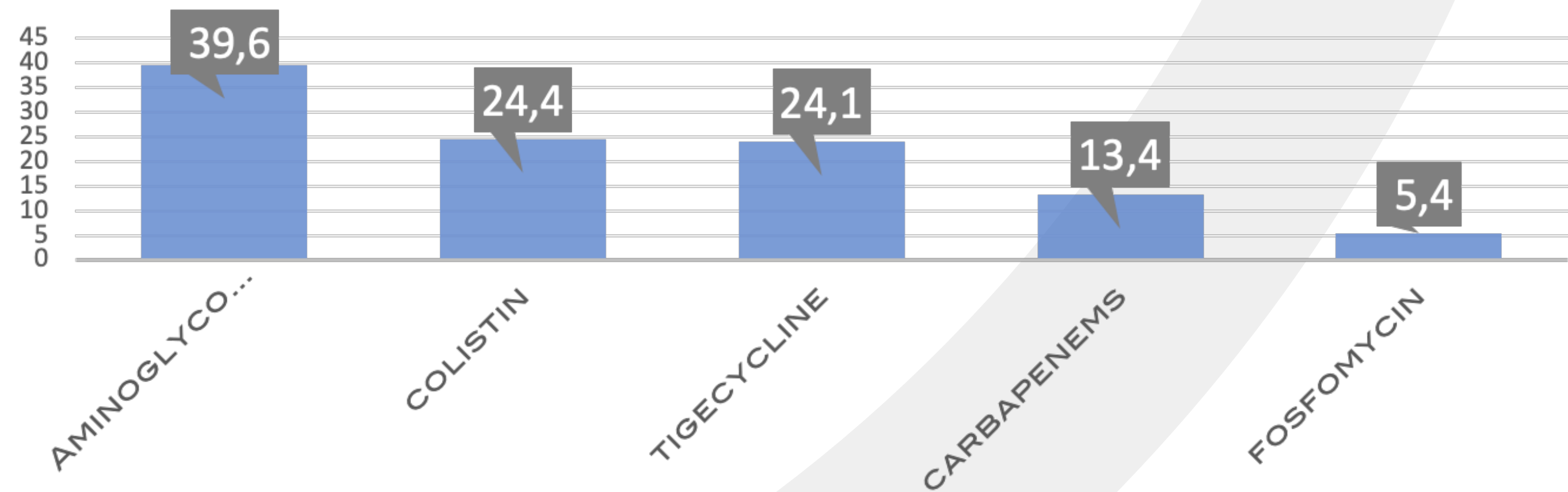


a **practical question** is whether these novel BLBLIs should be used as monotherapy or as part of a combination regimen with other antibiotics, and if so, with which ones, to reduce the emergence of resistant strains and to optimize their efficacy

Available evidence on combination therapy ***is scarce*** and mainly limited to retrospective studies involving 630 patients treated with CZA



Currently, there is **NO DEFINITIVE EVIDENCE** whether combinations are more effective than monotherapies; further studies are warranted, and to date only personal opinions can be provided

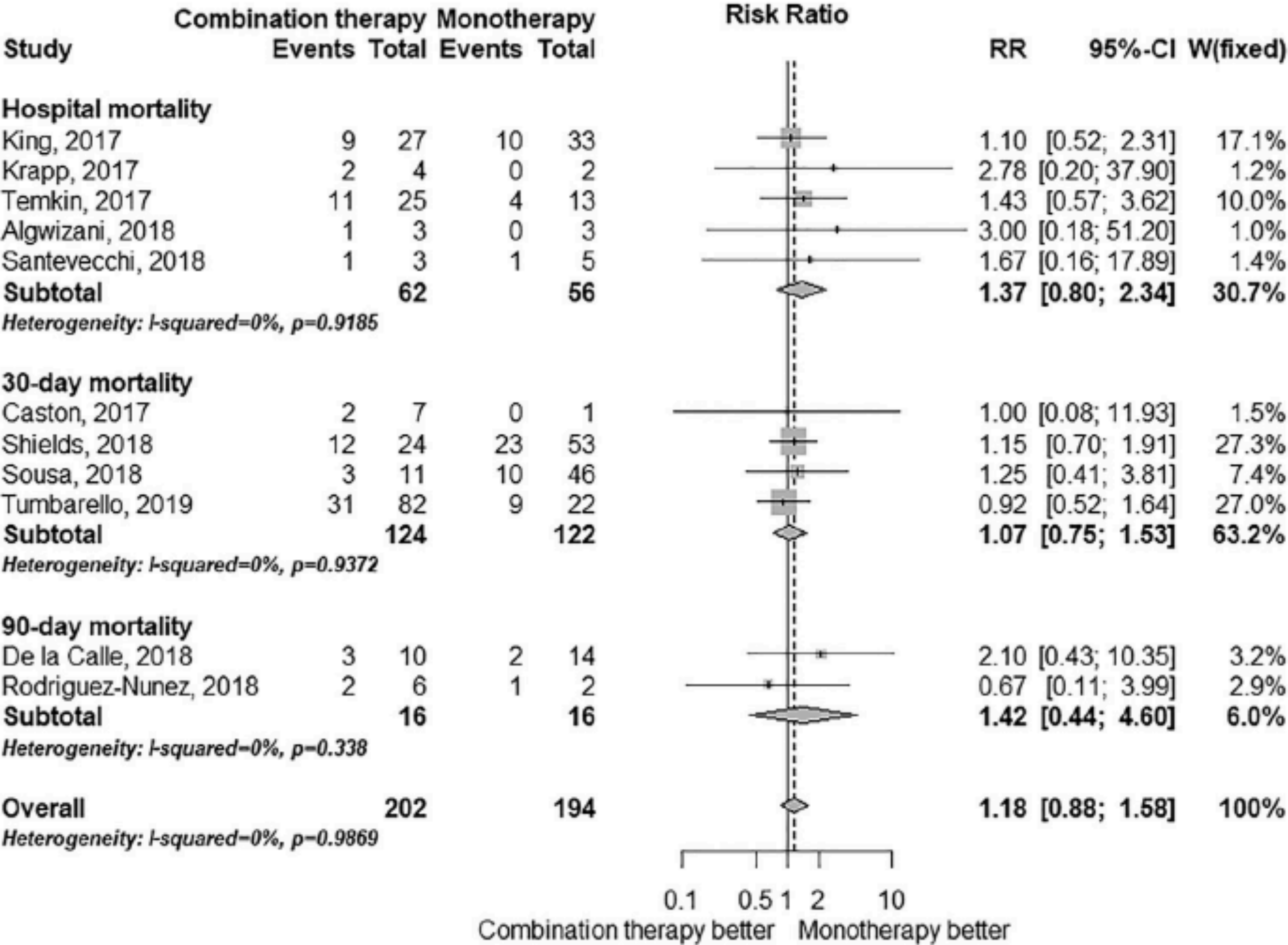




# Efficacy of **CZA** in monotherapy or combination therapy against carbapenem-resistant Gram-negative bacteria: A meta-analysis

Onorato L. et al. *Int J Antimicrob Agents* 2019

This meta-analysis suggests that use of ceftazidime/avibactam in monotherapy or combination therapy for infections due to CRE or CRPa could show a **similar effect** on mortality and microbiological cure rates. Studies on larger samples are needed to address this important issue





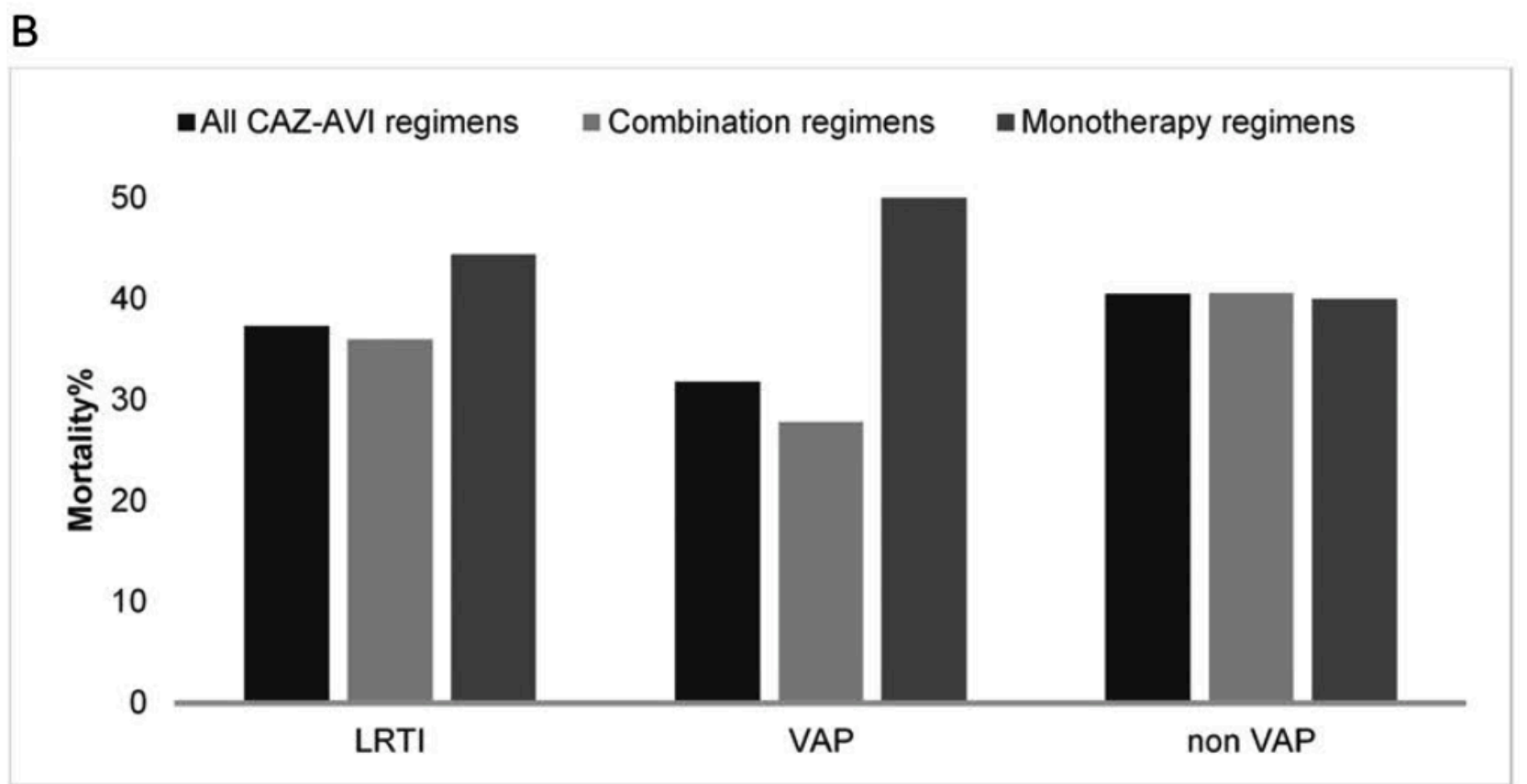
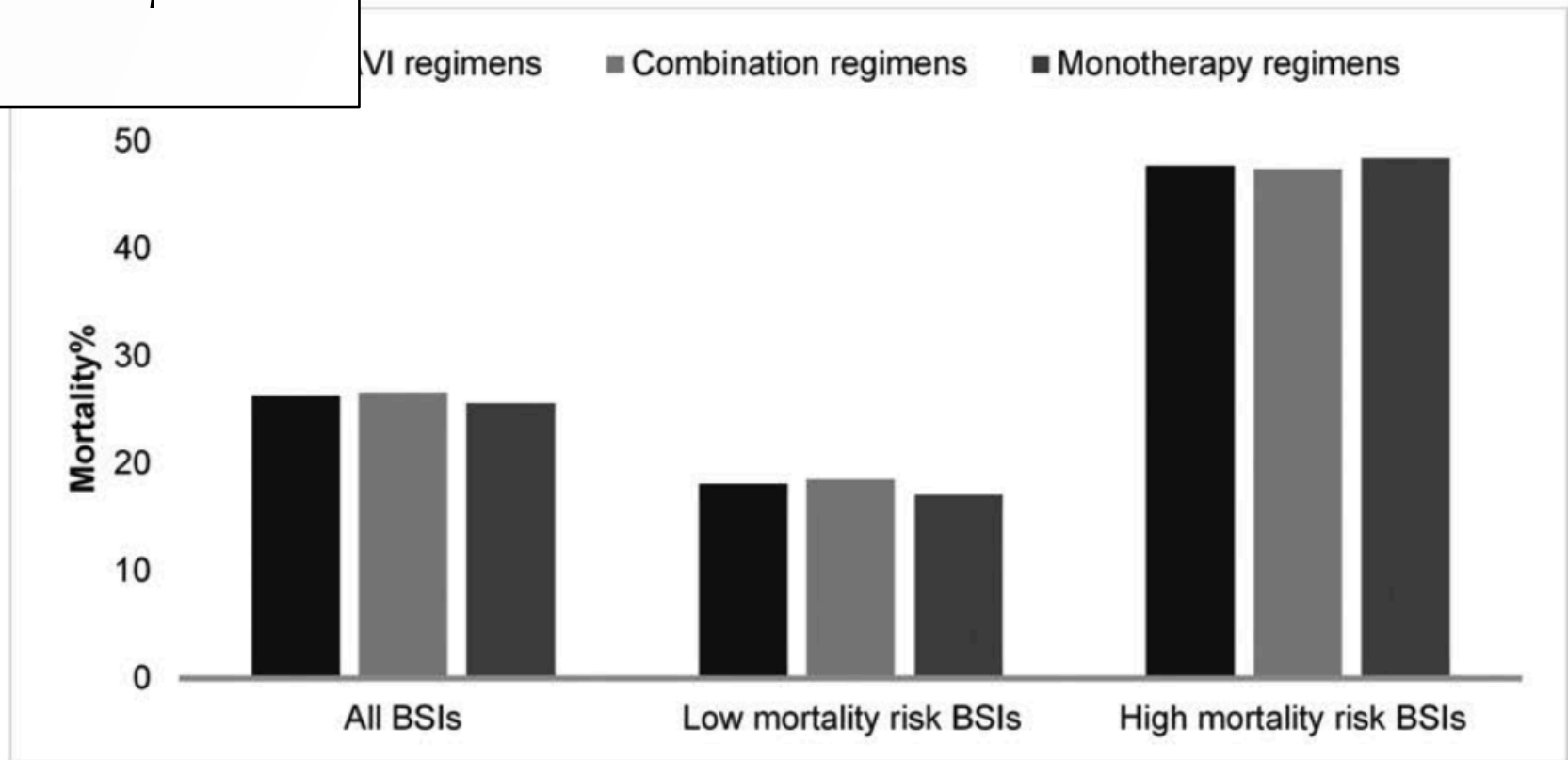
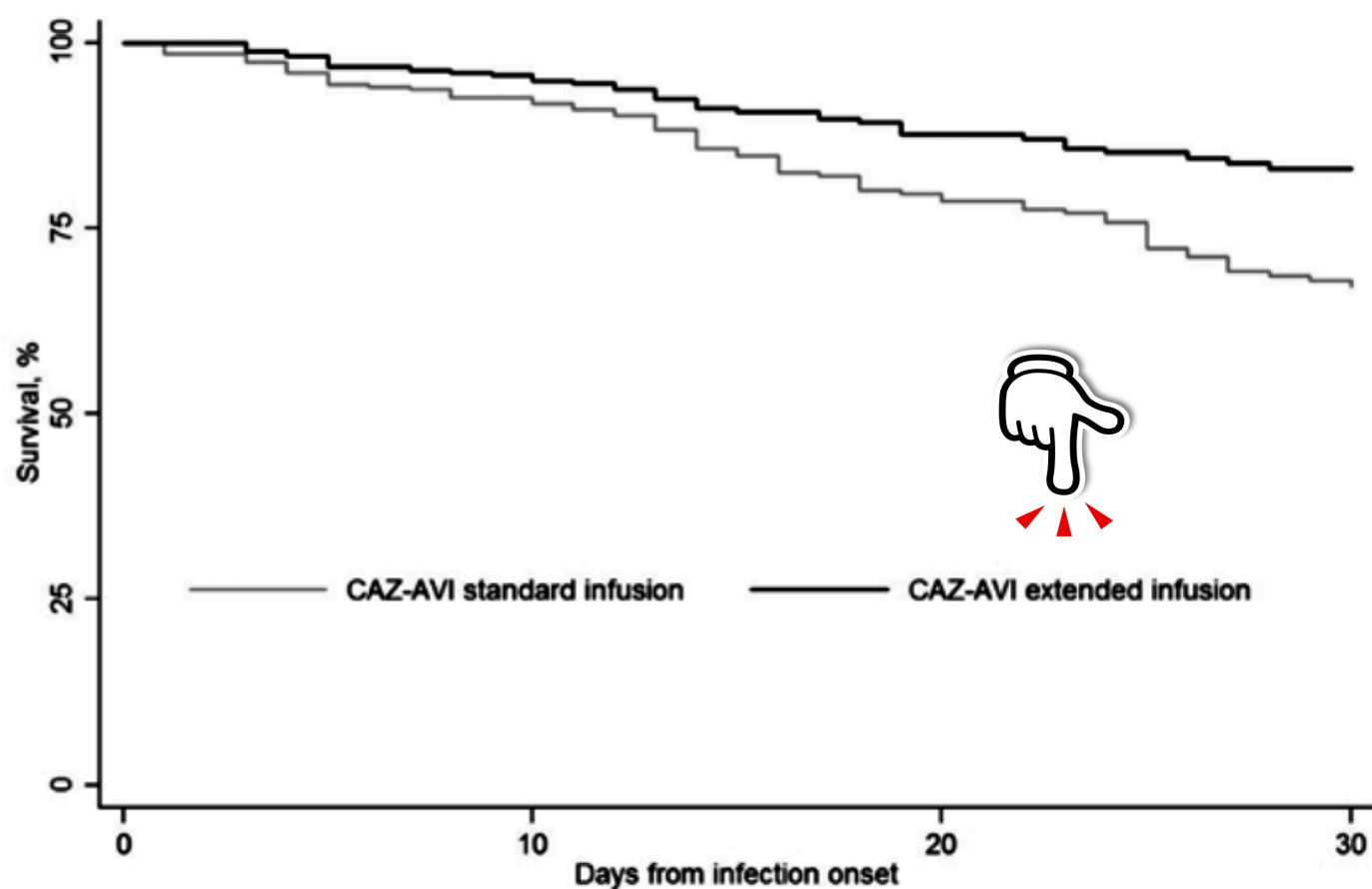
**Ceftazidime-Avibactam** Use for *Kbs. pneumoniae* Carbapenemase–Producing *Kbs. pneumoniae* Infections: A Retrospective Observational Multicenter Study

Tumbarello M. et al. *Clin Infect Dis* 2021

The all-cause mortality rate 30 days after infection onset was **25%** (1 46/577). There was no significant difference in mortality between patients managed with CAZ-AVI alone and those treated with combination regimens (26.1% vs 25.0%,  $P = .79$ ). In multivariate analysis, mortality was positively associated with presence at infection onset of septic shock ( $P = .002$ ), neutropenia ( $P < .001$ ), or an INCREMENT score  $\geq 8$  ( $P = .01$ ); with lower respiratory tract infection (LRTI) ( $P = .04$ ); and with CAZ-AVI dose adjustment for renal function ( $P = .01$ )

**577** adults with bloodstream infections (n = **391**) or nonbacteremic infections involving mainly the urinary tract, lower respiratory tract, and intra-abdominal structures. All received treatment with CAZ-AVI alone (n = **165**) or with  $\geq 1$  other active antimicrobials (n = **412**)

FURTHER STUDY IS NEEDED TO EXPLORE FACTORS CONTRIBUTING TO THE DRUG’S SEEMINGLY MORE LIMITED EFFICACY IN LRTIs AND THE POTENTIAL SURVIVAL BENEFITS IN THIS SETTING OF PROLONGING CAZ-AVI INFUSIONS TO 3 HOURS OR MORE





KPC

Meropenem  
Vaborbactam

2.2g q8h  
Extended Infusion - 3h

*loading dose*



Imipenem  
Relebactam

0.5/0.5/0.5g q8h  
Extended Infusion - 1.5h

*loading dose*



Ceftazidime  
Avibactam

2.5g q8h  
Continuous Infusion

*loading dose*



Fosfomycin

4g q6h  
Continuous Infusion



Antibiotico	MIC mg/l
Amoxicillina/clavulanato	>64 R
Piperacillina/tazobactam	>128 R
Ceftiaxone	>4 R
Ceftazidime	>128 R
Cefepime	>32 R
Meropenem	>64 R
Fosfomicina	32 S
Amikacina	8 S
Gentamicina	>8 R
Ciprofloxacina	>4 R
Colistina	>8 R
CZA	16 R
MVB	32 R
CFD	2 S



Cefiderocol

2g q8h  
Continuous Infusion

*loading dose*

IVAC caused by  
*Enterobacterales* **KPC** +  
in critically ill adult ptz



*K. pneumoniae* KPC-3  
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KPC

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Ceftazidime  
Avibactam

2.5g q8h  
Continuous Infusion  
loading dose

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Meropenem  
Vaborbactam

2.2g q8h  
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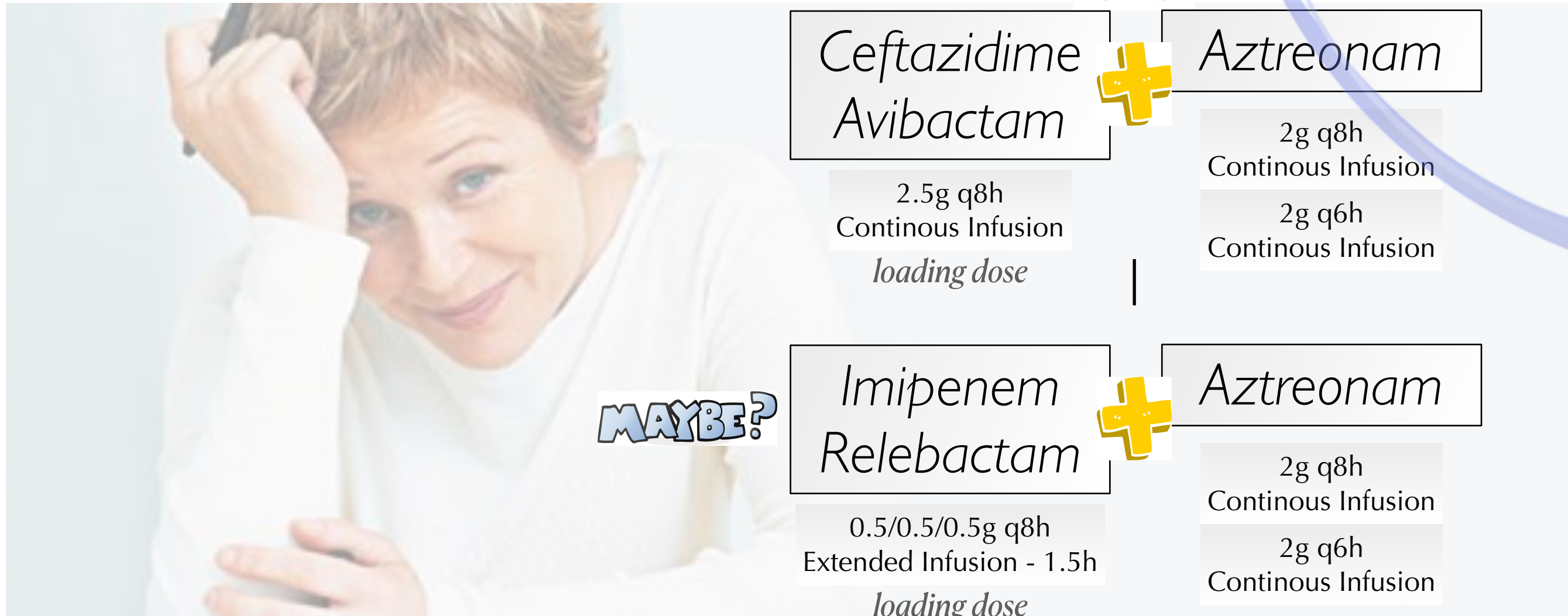
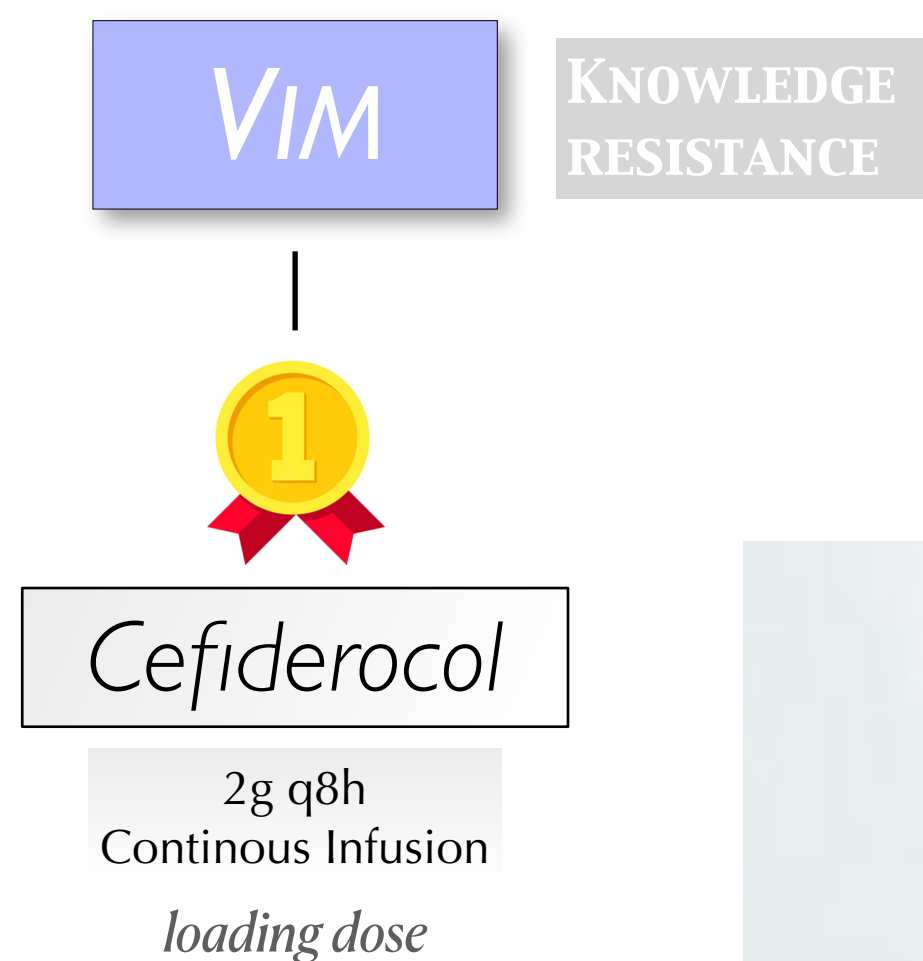
BSI caused by  
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bla<sub>NDM-1</sub>, bla<sub>CTX-M-15</sub>,  $\Delta$ *cirA*

Antibiotico	MIC
Amoxi/clav	>64 R
Piperacillina/tazobactam	128 R
Ceftriaxone	≥4 R
Ceftazidime	>64 R
Cefepime	>16 R
Imipenem	>16 R
Meropenem	>16R
C/T	>32R
Fosfomicina	16 S
Amikacina	>16 R
Gentamicina	>8 R
Ciprofloxacina	>4 R
Colistina	>4 R
CAZ/AVI	>64 R
MEM/VAB	ND
I/R	ND
Cefiderocol	128 R

- Guidelines
- European Society of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases (ESCMID) guidelines for the treatment of infections caused by multidrug-resistant Gram-negative bacilli (endorsed by European society of intensive care medicine)
- For patients with severe infections due to CRE-carrying metallo-β-lactamases (MBL) and/or resistant to all other antibiotics, including ceftazidime-avibactam and meropenem-vaborbactam, we conditionally recommend treatment with cefiderocol (**conditional recommendation for use, low certainty of evidence**).
- Paul M. et al. *Clin Microbiol Infect* **2022**



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CARBA-R



Cefiderocol

2g q8h  
Continuous Infusion  
loading dose

Cefiderocol



Ampicillin/  
Sulbactam

4g q6h  
Continuous Infusion  
loading dose



Fosfomycin



Ampicillin/  
Sulbactam

MAYBE?

4g q6h  
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Antibiotico	MIC mg/l
Amikacina	>16R
Ciprofloxacina	>1 R
Meropenem	>64R
Gentamicina	>8 R
Tigeciclina	1
Colistina	>4 R

**DURLOBACTAM** is a potent inhibitor of class A, C, and D serine  $\beta$ -lactamases. The key differentiating feature as compared to other DBO BLIs ***is its activity against class D carbapenemases of the OXA family***, which are prevalent in *A. baumannii*

**IVAC/BSI** caused by *Acinetobacter baumannii* in critically ill adult ptz



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***Durlobactam***, a New DBO  $\beta$ -Lactamase Inhibitor for the Treatment of *Acinetobacter* Infections in Combination With ***Sulbactam***

Shapiro AB. et al. *Front in Microbiol* 2021

In addition to inhibiting  $\beta$ -lactamases, some DBO  $\beta$ -lactamase inhibitors also exhibit intrinsic antibacterial activity due to inhibition of PBP2. ***Durlobactam*** ***predominantly inhibits PBP2*** of *A. baumannii*

***Sulbactam*** Its inhibitory activity is limited to a subset of class A serine  $\beta$ -

A unique feature of sulbactam is its intrinsic antibacterial activity against *Acinetobacter* and a limited number of other bacterial species, which results from its inhibition of key enzymes required for bacterial peptidoglycan synthesis. ***PBP1a, PBP1b, and PBP3***, but not PBP2, are targets of sulbactam in *Acinetobacter* species

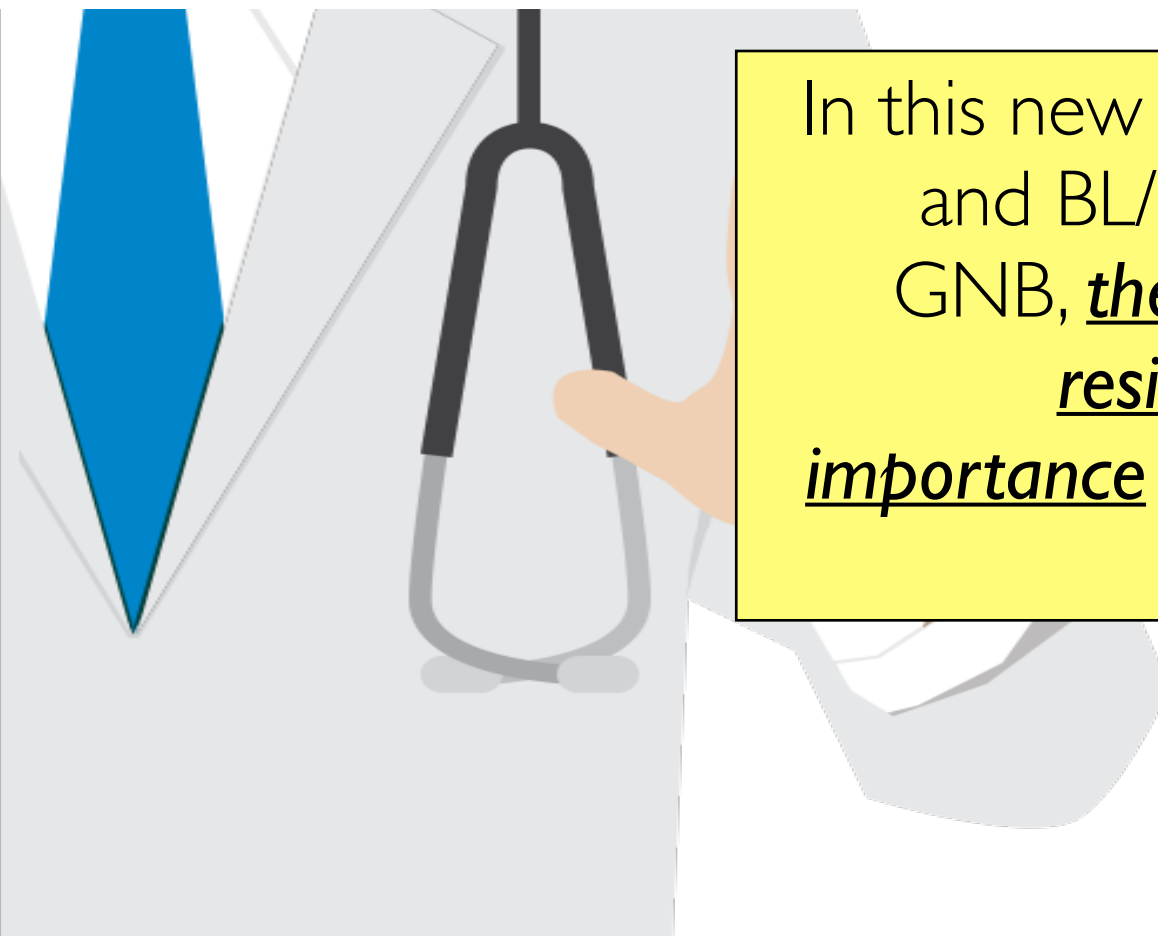


Coverage of CPE by new beta-lactamase inhibitor combinations (*BLICs*) and new beta-lactams

Anti-CPE agents exhibit different activity profiles vs. strains producing different enzymes:  
importance to detect the resistance mechanism


Mechanism	CAZ/AVI	MER/VAB	TOL/TAZ	IMI/REL	ATM/AVI	FEP/TANI	FEP/ZIDE	FEP/ENM	MER/NACU	CFDC	ERV	PLZ
KPC	+/-	+/-	-	+	+	+	+	+/-	+	+/-	+	+
OXA-48	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
VIM	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+/-	+	+	+
NDM	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+/-	+/-	+/-	-
IMP	-	-	-	-	+	-	?	-	+/-	+	+	+

Bush & Bradford. *Cold Spring Harb Perspect Med.* **2016**; 6(8). pii: a025247- Pogue et al. *Clin Infect Dis* **2019** - Choi & McCarthy *Exp Op Invest Drugs* 27:2, 193-197 - Thomson et al. *Antibiotics* **2019**; 8:32 - Mushtaq et al. *JAC* **2019**; 74:953 - [www.venatorx.com](http://www.venatorx.com) - Le Terrier C. et al. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother* **2023**



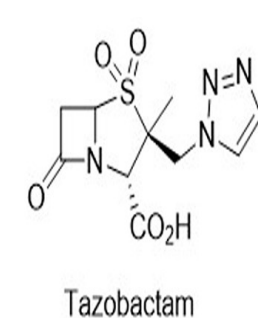
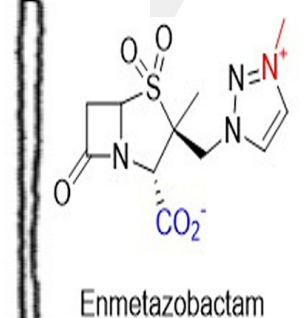
In this new era of renewed activity of BL and BL/BLI combinations against CR-GNB, the determinants of carbapenem resistance have assumed a crucial importance in guiding both empirical and targeted therapies

Giacobbe DR. et al. *Future Microbiol* **2022**



New MICs of cefepime and cefepime/enmetazobactam for KPC-carrying isolates are determined by the clonality of the isolates

Vázquez-Ucha JC. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother* may **2022**

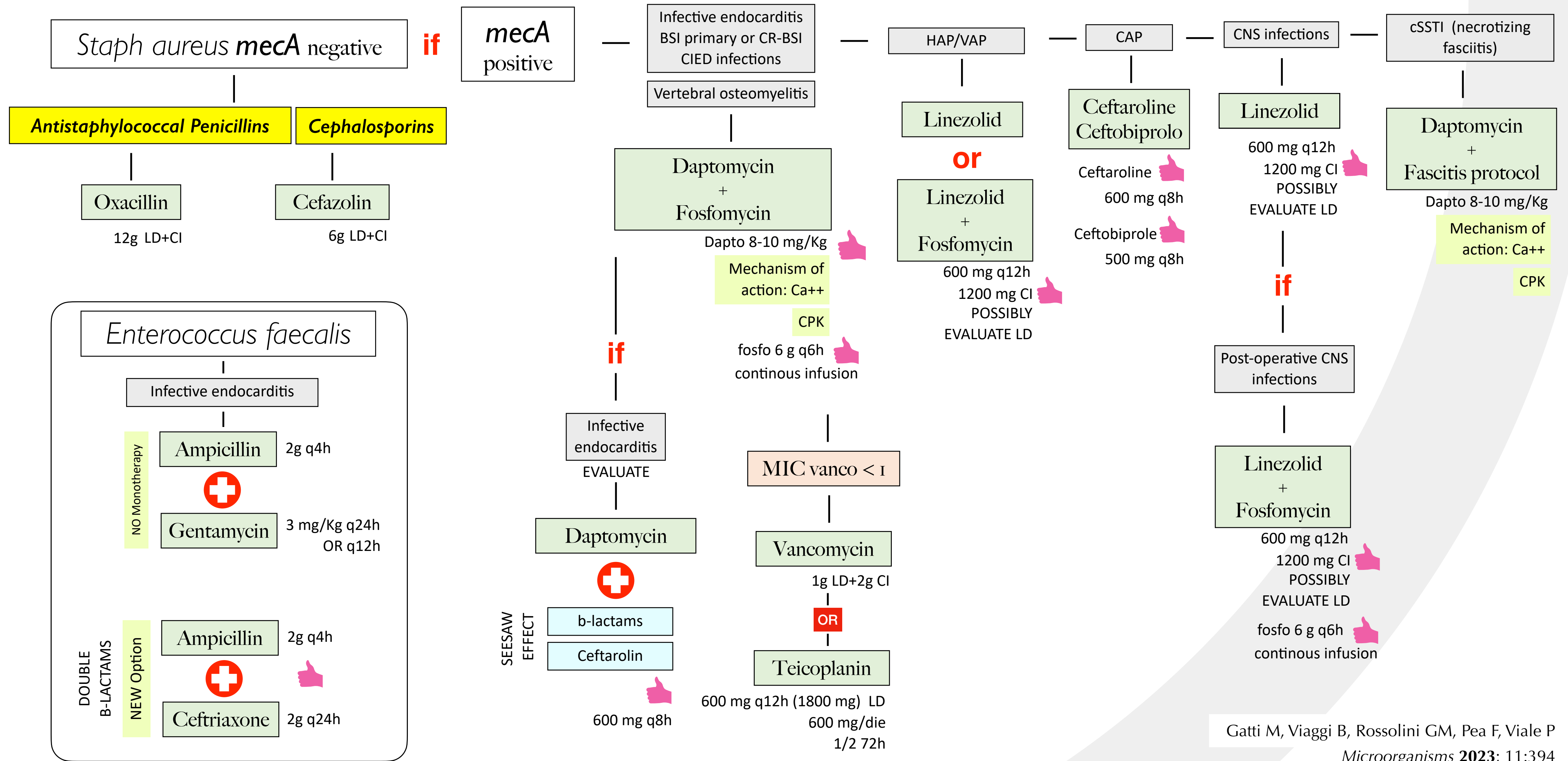


Enmetazobactam      Tazobactam

The non-ESBL-producing *K. pneumoniae* isolates mostly belong to sequence type 512 (**ST512**), whereas the KPC- and ESBL-producing isolates mostly belong to **ST307**



# Flowchart for *diagnosis* and *treatment* of infections caused by Gram positive in ICU

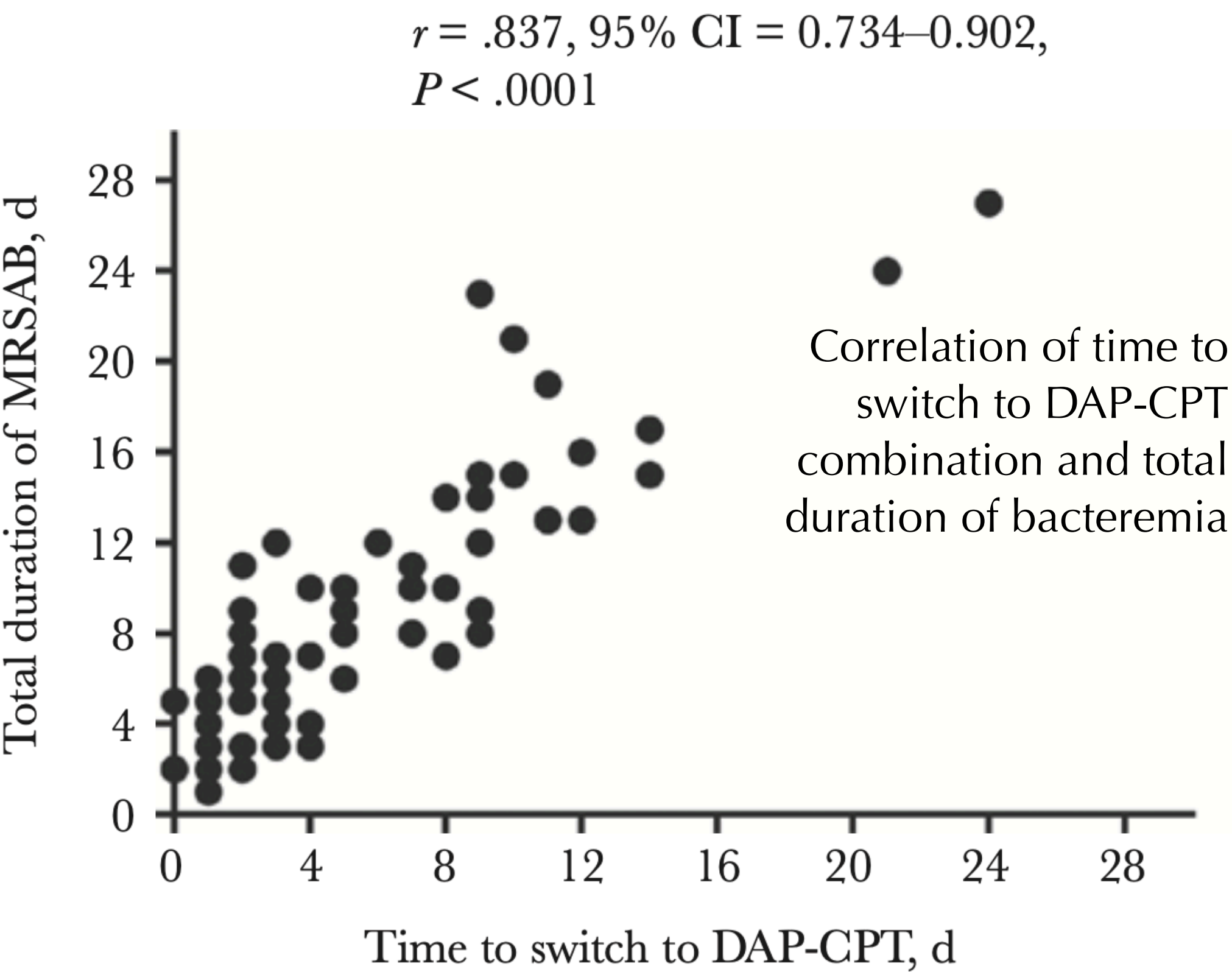




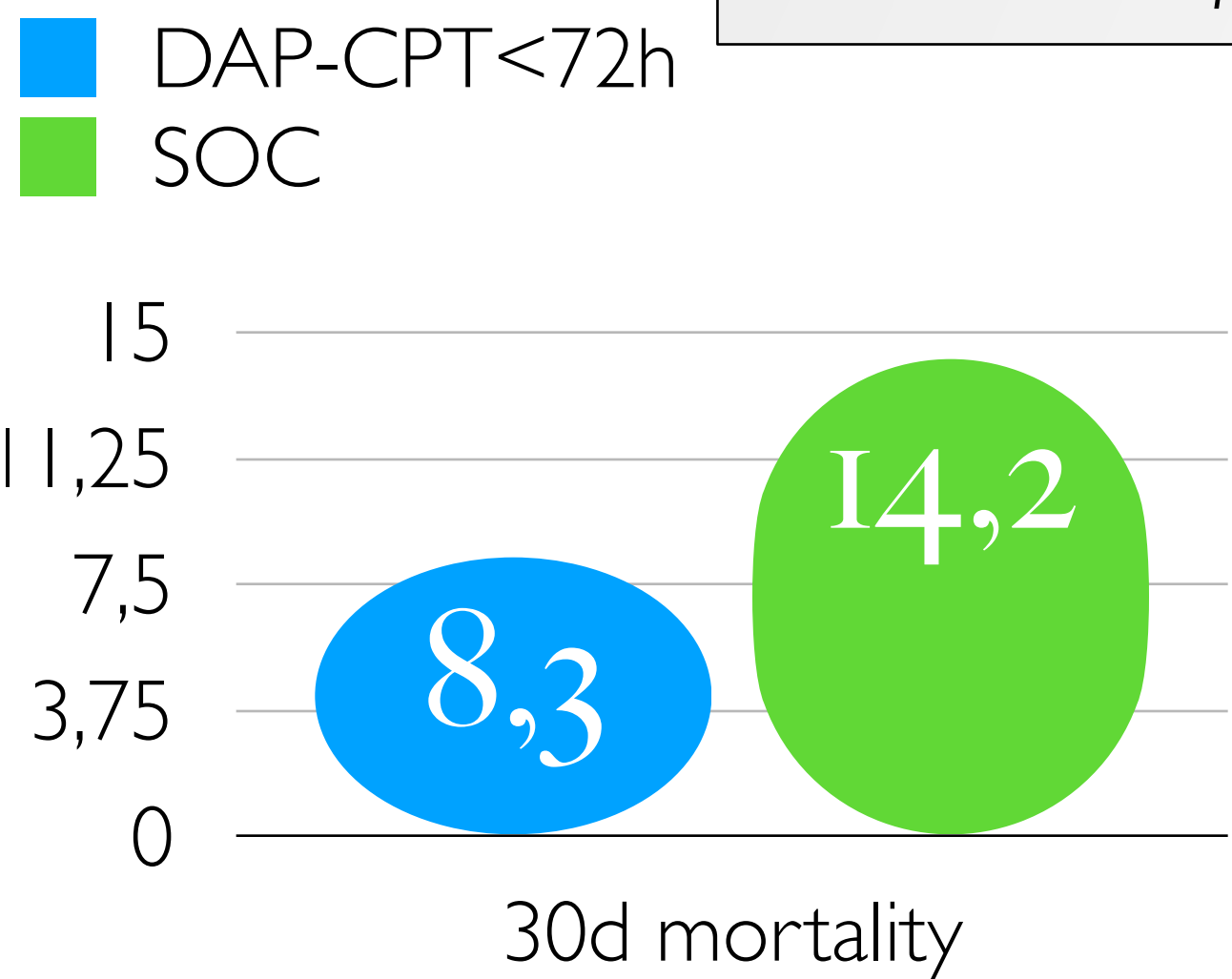
Multicenter Cohort of Patients With Methicillin-Resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* Bacteremia Receiving *Daptomycin* Plus *Ceftaroline* Compared With Other MRSA Treatments

McCreavy EK. et al. *Open Forum Infect Dis* 2020

58 patients received DAP-CPT with 113 matched SOC



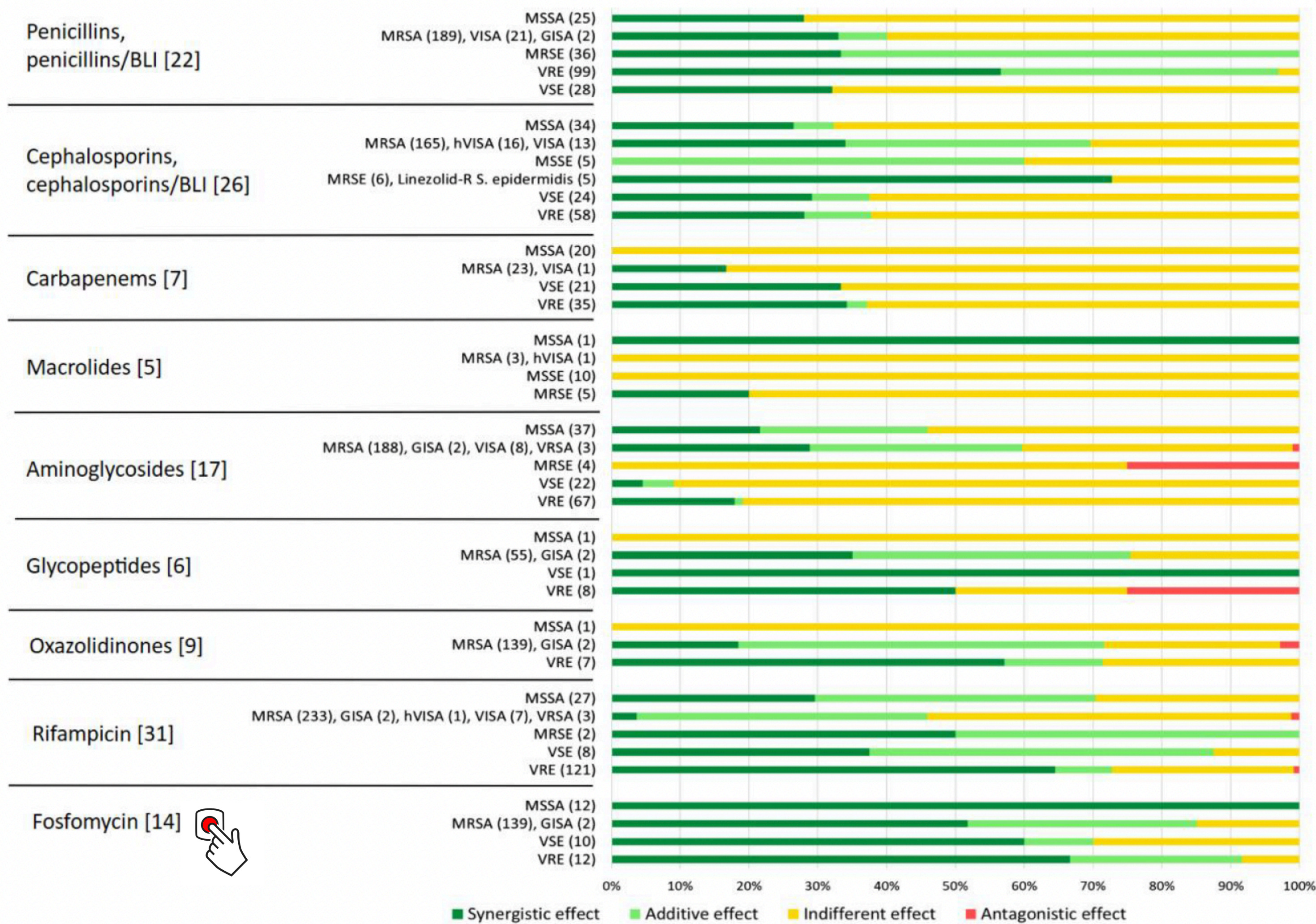
These data also support the potentially DAP-sparing effect of CPT synergy and opportunity for combination de-escalation, as our combination group received a mean 8.2-mg/kg/d DAP, as opposed to the guideline-recommended option of 10 mg/kg/d





Daptomycin synergistic properties from *in vitro* and *in vivo* studies: a systematic review

Antonello RM. et al. *J Antimicrob Chemother* **2023**; 78:52-77



**RESULTS:** A total of 92 studies and **1087** isolates (723 *Staphylococcus aureus*, 68 *Staphylococcus epidermidis*, 179 *Enterococcus faecium*, 105 *Enterococcus faecalis*, 12 *Enterococcus durans*) were included. **Synergism** accounted for **30.9%** of total interactions, while indifferent effect was the most frequently observed interaction (**41.9%**). Antagonistic effect accounted for 0.7% of total interactions. The highest synergistic rates against *S. aureus* were observed with daptomycin in combination with fosfomycin (**55.6%**). For *S. epidermidis* and *Enterococcus* spp., the most effective combinations were daptomycin plus ceftobiprole (**50%**) and daptomycin plus fosfomycin (**63.6%**) or rifampicin (**62.8%**), respectively.



