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**Aspetti epidemiologici e clinici nell'ospite
immunocompromesso da HIV e da altre condizioni**

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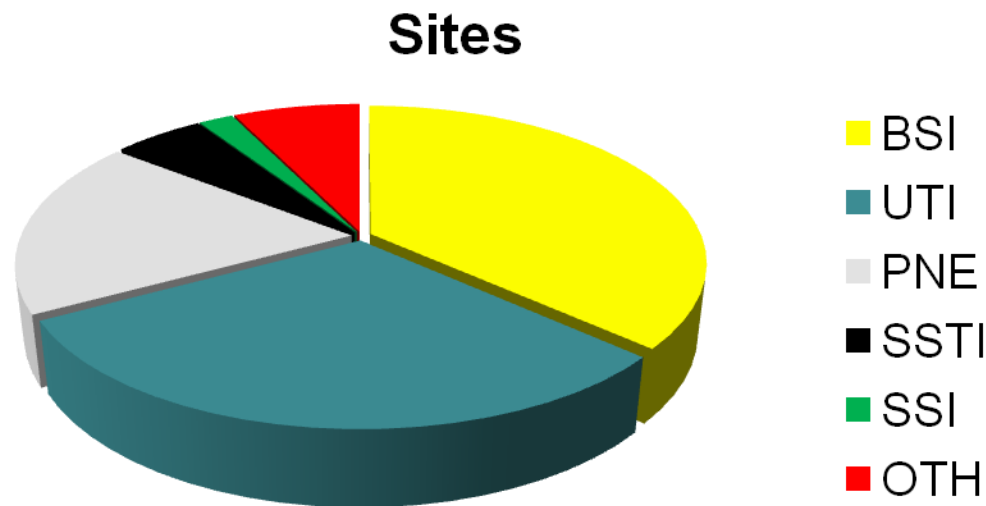
Outline

- The past: HIV and healthcare associated infections**
- New treatments new infectious risks: the case of biological agents**
- The new immunocompromised and the new MDR.**

Nosocomial infections in HIV infected patients

Multicentre prospective study on consecutive HIV-infected patients admitted to 19 Italian acute-care infectious disease wards

•A total of 344 NI occurred in 4330 admissions, with at least one NI in 273 admissions (6.3%). The incidence rate of NI was 3.6 per 1000 patient days (95%CI, 3.2–4.1].



Nosocomial infections in HIV infected patients

Table 1. Organisms isolated in vascular catheter-related blood-stream nosocomial infections (CR-BSI) and urinary catheter related infections (UCRI).

| Organism | CR-BSI | | UCRI | |
|-----------------------------------|--------|-------|------|-------|
| | n | % | n | % |
| <i>Staphylococcus epidermidis</i> | 17 | 30.9 | 4 | 4.8 |
| <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> | 13 | 23.7 | 3 | 3.6 |
| <i>Enterococcus</i> species | 2 | 3.6 | 16 | 19.3 |
| Other Gram positive | 2 | 3.6 | – | – |
| <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> | 3 | 5.5 | 21 | 25.3 |
| <i>Pseudomonas</i> species | 1 | 1.8 | 1 | 1.2 |
| <i>Proteus mirabilis</i> | 1 | 1.8 | 1 | 1.2 |
| <i>Escherichia coli</i> | 2 | 3.6 | 23 | 27.7 |
| <i>Enterobacter</i> species | 1 | 1.8 | 2 | 2.4 |
| <i>Candida</i> species | 4 | 7.3 | 7 | 8.5 |
| Other Gram negative | – | – | 3 | 3.6 |
| Negative/not performed | 9 | 16.4 | 2 | 2.4 |
| Total | 55 | 100.0 | 83 | 100.0 |

Nosocomial infections in HIV infected patients

Table 2. Factors associated with nosocomial infections (NI) in HIV-infected patients. Univariate and multivariate analysis.

| Factors | NI/total (%) | Crude OR (95%CI) | Adjusted OR* (95%CI) |
|--|----------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Sex | | | |
| Male | 203/3333 (6.1) | 1 | – |
| Female | 70/997 (7.0) | 1.16 (0.87–1.56) | – |
| CD4 T-lymphocytes ($\times 10^6/l$) | | | |
| > 199 | 25/1085 (2.3) | 1 | 1 |
| < 200 | 248/3245 (7.6) | 3.51 (2.28–5.45) [†] | 2.21 (1.35–3.62) [†] |
| HIV stage | | | |
| A | 10/443 (2.2) | 1 | 1 |
| B | 43/1109 (3.9) | 1.75 (0.84–3.74) | 0.99 (0.46–2.12) |
| C | 220/2778 (7.9) | 3.72 (1.91–7.51)* | 0.96 (0.45–2.01) |
| Karnofsky Performance Status | | | |
| 80–100 | 39/1752 (2.2) | 1 | 1 |
| 40–70 | 183/2226 (8.2) | 3.93 (2.73–5.68) [†] | 1.59 (0.94–2.70) |
| 10–30 | 51/352 (14.5) | 7.44 (4.72–11.75) [†] | 1.89 (1.28–2.78) [†] |
| Injecting drug use | | | |
| No | 107/1548 (6.9) | 1 | – |
| Yes | 166/2782 (6.0) | 0.85 (0.66–1.11) | – |
| White cells ($\times 10^6/l$) [‡] | | | |
| > 2000 | 222/3761 (5.9) | 1 | 1 |
| 1001–2000 | 40/468 (8.5) | 1.49 (1.05–2.00) [†] | 1.38 (0.82–2.33) |
| < 1001 | 11/93 (11.8) | 2.14 (1.06–4.21) [†] | 1.05 (0.39–2.81) |
| Neutrophils [†] | | | |
| > 1000 | 228/3740 (6.1) | 1 | 1 |
| 501–1000 | 30/422 (7.1) | 1.18 (0.78–1.78) | 0.85 (0.48–1.52) |
| < 501 | 15/136 (11.0) | 1.91 (1.05–3.41) [†] | 1.04 (0.43–2.48) |
| TMP-SMX [†] | | | |
| Yes | 126/1830 (6.9) | 1 | – |
| No | 136/2349 (5.8) | 0.85 (0.66–1.09) | – |
| Antiretrovirals | | | |
| No | 137/1981 (6.9) | 1 | – |
| Yes | 136/2349 (5.8) | 0.83 (0.64–1.06) | – |
| Therapy with corticosteroids | | | |
| No | 194/3703 (5.2) | 1 | 1 |
| Yes | 79/627 (12.6) | 2.61 (1.96–3.47) [†] | 1.78 (1.29–2.45) [†] |
| Interferon | | | |
| No | 272/4310 (6.3) | 1 | – |
| Yes | 1/20 (5.0) | 0.78 (0.12–5.37) | – |
| Central venous catheter | | | |
| No | 135/3695 (3.6) | 1 | 1 |
| Yes | 138/635 (21.7) | 7.32 (5.63–9.53) [†] | 3.24 (2.41–4.35) [†] |
| Urinary catheter | | | |
| No | 122/3790 (3.2) | 1 | 1 |
| Yes | 151/540 (28.0) | 11.67 (8.92–15.27) [†] | 6.53 (4.81–8.86) [†] |
| Surgery | | | |
| No | 243/4139 (5.9) | 1 | 1 |
| Yes | 30/191 (15.7) | 2.99 (1.94–4.58) [†] | 3.13 (1.90–5.15) [†] |
| Ventilation | | | |
| No | 259/4278 (6.1) | 1 | 1 |
| Yes | 14/52 (26.9) | 5.72 (2.91–11.07) [†] | 1.18 (0.55–2.50) |
| In-hospital days [§] | | | |
| 2–8 | 65/1508 (4.3) | 1 | 1 |
| 9–30 | 154/2199 (6.4) | 1.67 (1.23–2.28) [†] | 1.25 (0.89–1.74) |
| > 30 | 54/623 (8.7) | 2.11 (1.43–3.11) [†] | 0.87 (0.57–1.34) |

Nosocomial Bloodstream Infections among Human Immunodeficiency Virus– Infected Patients: Incidence and Risk Factors

- **65 NBSIs (4.7%) occurred in 1379 admissions, for an incidence of 2.45 NBSIs per 1000 patient-days.**
- **Twenty-nine NBSIs were catheter-related bloodstream infections, with a rate of 9.6 central venous catheter–associated infections per 1000 device-days.**
- **Multivariate analysis indicated that variables independently associated with NBSIs included active injection drug use, a Karnofsky Performance Status score of <40, presence of a central venous catheter, and length of hospital stay.**
- **Mortality rates were 24.6% and 7.2% among patients with and without NBSIs, respectively ($P < .00001$).**

Surgical Site Infections in HIV-infected Patients: Results from an Italian Prospective Multicenter Observational Study

C.M.J. Drapeau, A. Pan, C. Bellacosa, G. Cassola, M.P. Crisalli, M. De Gennaro, S. Di Cesare,
F. Dodi, G. Gattuso, L. Irato, P. Maggi, M. Pantaleoni, P. Piselli, L. Soavi, E. Rastrelli,
E. Tacconelli, N. Petrosillo Infection 2009

- **A 1-year observational prospective multicenter surveillance study was conducted in 11 ID centres from which 305 consecutive HIV infected patients undergoing different surgical procedures were enrolled.**
- **SSI occurred in 29 of 305 (9.5%) patients, of which 17 (58.6%) SSI occurred during hospital stay, and 12 (41.4%) occurred during the postdischarge period.**
- **Superficial 72.4%, deep 13.8%, organ/space 3.4%, and sepsis 10.3%.**

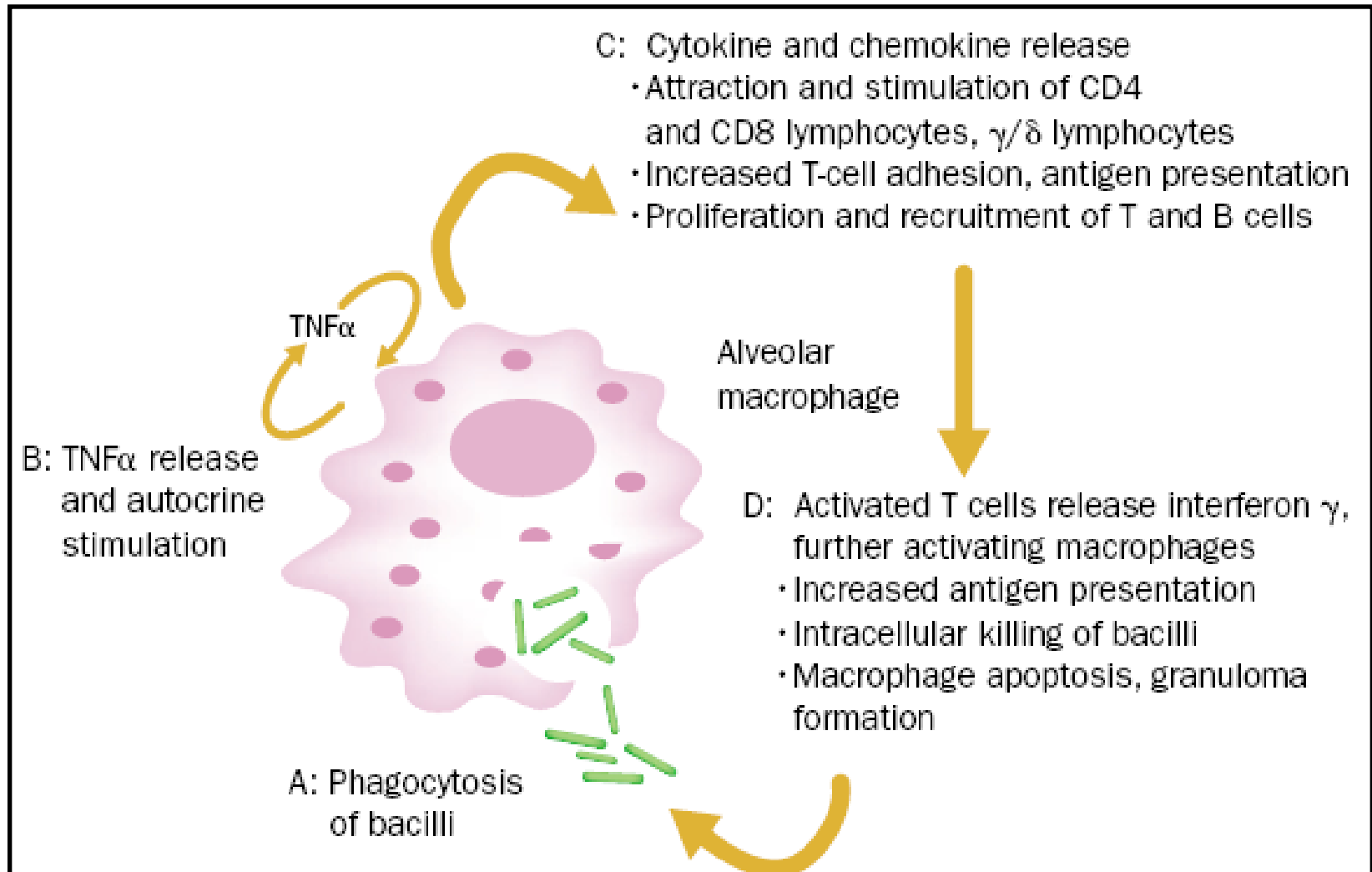
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| Characteristics | Total, n (%) | SSI infection, n (%) | Odds ratio (95% CI) | MLR-OR ^a (95% CI) |
|--|-----------------|-------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Gender | | | | |
| Male | 132 | 16 (12.1) | 1 | |
| Female | 173 | 13 (7.5) | 0.6 (0.3–1.3) | |
| Age (years) | | | | |
| <45 | 210 | 15 (7.1) | 1 | 1 |
| ≥45 | 95 | 14 (14.7) | 2.2 (1.0–4.9) | 2.0 (0.9–4.5) |
| HCV infection | | | | |
| No | 166 | 9 (5.4) | 1 | 1 |
| Yes | 139 | 20 (14.4) | 2.9 (1.3–6.7) | 2.7 (1.2–6.3) |
| HIV viral load | | | | |
| Undetectable | 185 | 15 (8.1) | 1 | |
| Detectable | 120 | 14 (11.6) | 1.5 (0.7–3.2) | |
| CD4 cell count (/mm ³) | | | | |
| ≥200 | 230 | 20 (8.7) | 1 | |
| <200 | 75 | 9 (12.0) | 1.4 (0.6–3.3) | |
| WBC number pre-intervention (/mm ³) | | | | |
| ≥4,000 | 258 | 22 (8.5) | 1 | |
| <4,000 | 47 | 7 (14.9) | 1.9 (0.8–4.7) | |
| Preoperative hospital stay | | | | |
| 0–1 | 236 | 22 (9.3) | 1 | |
| >1 | 69 | 7 (10.1) | 1.1 (0.5–2.7) | |
| NNIS risk index score | | | | |
| 0 | 157 | 10 (6.4) | 1 | |
| 1–3 | 148 | 19 (13.0) | 2.2 (1.0–4.8) | |
| Body mass index | | | | |
| Underweight | 38 | 4 (10.5) | 1.4 (0.4–4.3) | |
| Normal | 200 | 16 (8.0) | 1 | |
| Overweight | 47 | 6 (12.8) | 1.7 (0.6–4.6) | |
| Obesity | 20 | 3 (15.0) | 2.0 (0.5–7.7) | |
| Diabetes | | | | |
| No | 285 | 25 (8.8) | 1 | |
| Yes | 20 | 4 (20.0) | 2.6 (0.8–8.4) | |
| HBV infection | | | | |
| No | 286 | 28 (9.8) | 1 | |
| Yes | 19 | 1 (5.3) | 0.5 (0.1–4.0) | |
| Lipodistrophy | | | | |
| No | 252 | 21 (8.4) | 1 | |
| Yes | 53 | 8 (15.1) | 2.0 (0.8–4.7) | |
| Perioperative prophylaxis | | | | |
| No | 69 | 9 (13.0) | 1 | |
| Yes | 236 | 21 (8.9) | 0.7 (0.3–1.8) | |

OR Odds ratio; MLR-OR multiple logistic regression odds ratio; ^a backward stepwise elimination procedure

TNF- α is a pro-inflammatory cytokine that is involved in the immune protection against infection, and it is therefore possible that TNF- α neutralisation may favour the development of infection.

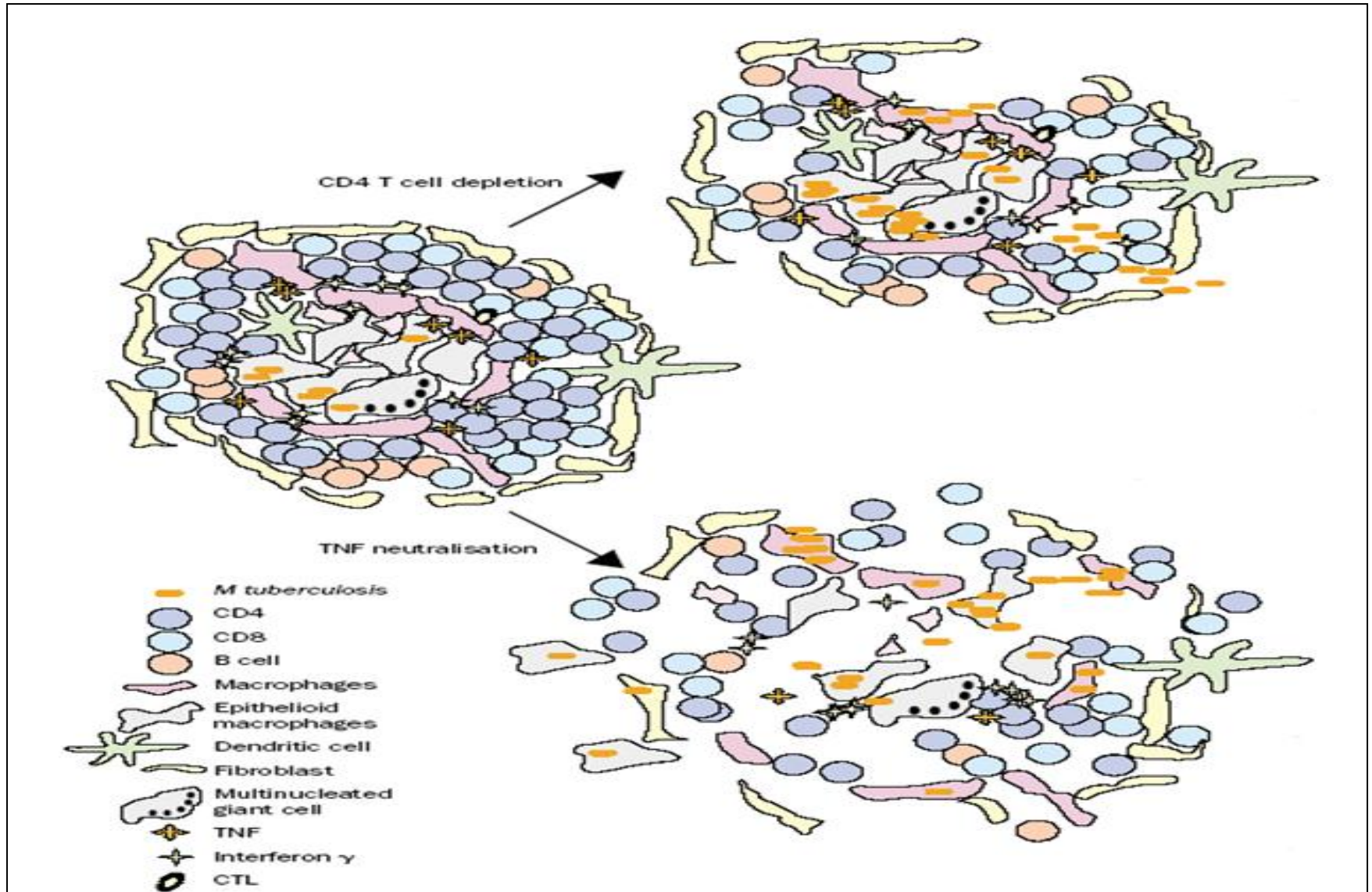
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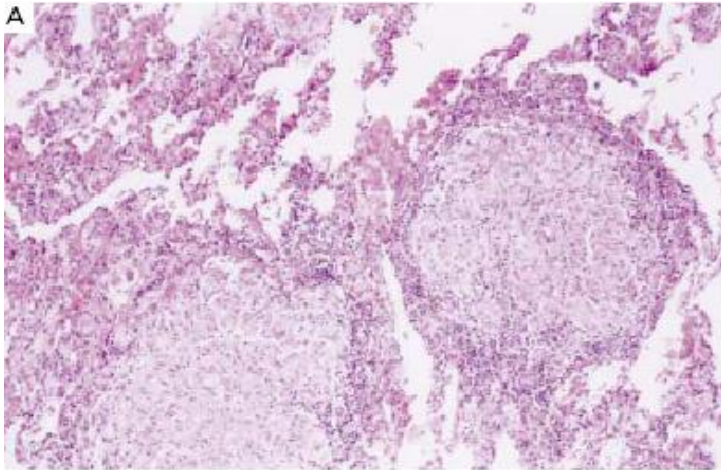
Si stima che circa 1 milione di pazienti siano stati trattati con antagonisti del TNF- α per le seguenti indicazioni:

- Artrite reumatoide**
- Malattia infiammatoria intestinale**
- Artrite psoriasica**
- Artrite cronica giovanile**
- Psoriasi**
- Spondilite anchilosante**

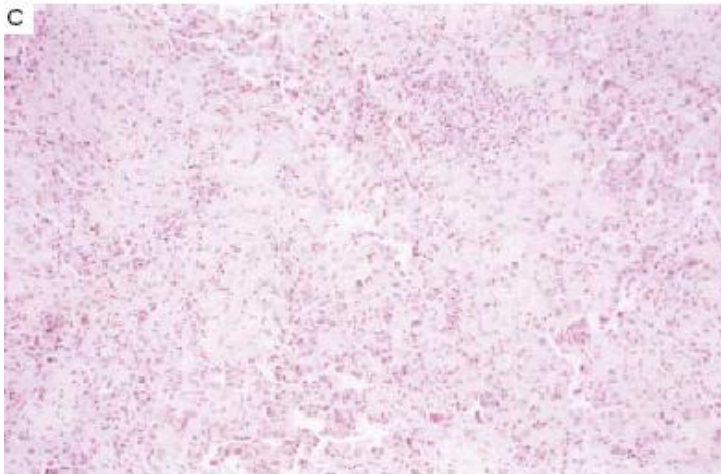
Ruolo del TNF nella formazione del granuloma



Ruolo del TNF nella formazione del granuloma



**Senza
INFLIXIMAB**



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INFLIXIMAB**

Reduction of Chemokine Secretion in Response to Mycobacteria in Infliximab-Treated Patients

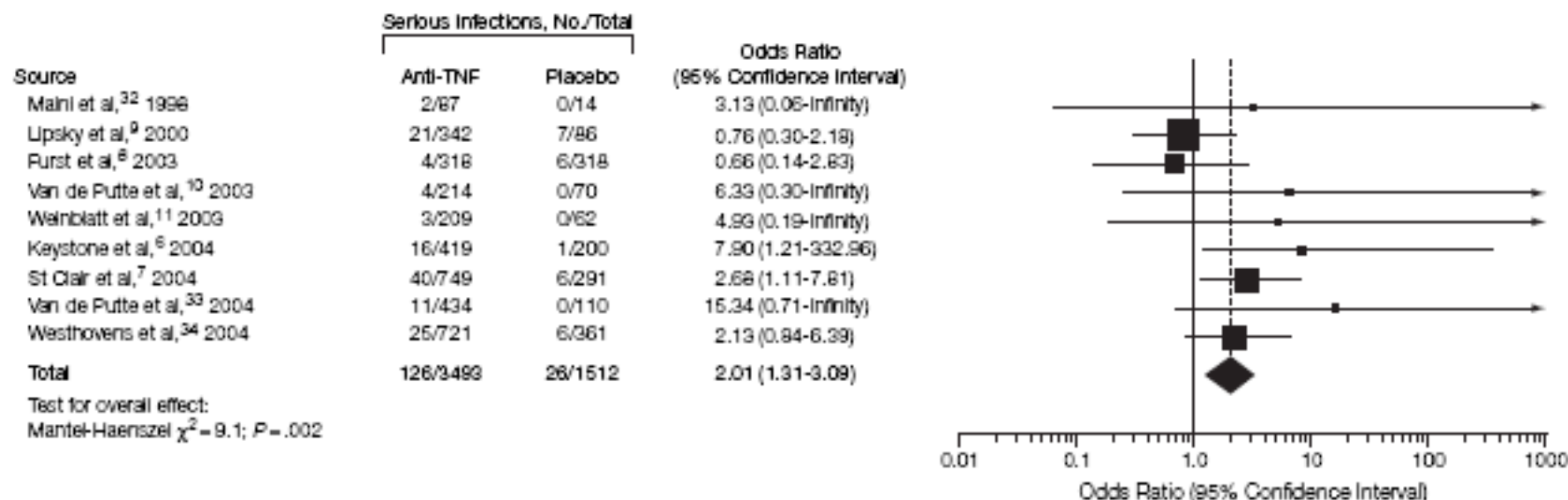
The development of tuberculosis in infliximab-treated patients is

- not directly related to the mycobactericidal effects of TNF**
- but may be due to inhibition of TNF-dependent chemokine gradients disrupting cellular migration necessary to maintain the integrity of the granuloma.**

Anti-TNF Antibody Therapy in Rheumatoid Arthritis and the Risk of Serious Infections and Malignancies

Systematic Review and Meta-analysis of Rare Harmful Effects in Randomized Controlled Trials

Figure 3. Effect of Anti-TNF Antibody Therapy vs Control Therapy on Occurrence of 1 or More Serious Infections in Patients With Rheumatoid Arthritis



TNF indicates tumor necrosis factor. Size of the data markers is proportional to the statistical weight of the trial.

Adverse effects of biologics: a network meta-analysis and Cochrane overview (Review)

Table 5. Overall results of biologics versus control

| Outcome | Effect estimate, OR (95% CI) |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Serious adverse effects | 1.11 (0.94, 1.31) |
| Serious infections | 1.19 (0.94, 1.52) |
| Total adverse events | 1.19 (1.09, 1.30) |
| Withdrawals due to adverse events | 1.32 (1.06, 1.64) |
| TB reactivation | 4.68 (1.18, 18.60) |
| Lymphoma | 0.53 (0.17, 1.66) |
| Congestive heart failure | 0.69 (0.18, 2.69) |

Risk of Tuberculosis in Patients Treated With Tumor Necrosis Factor Antagonists Due to Incomplete Prevention of Reactivation of Latent Infection

Table 3. Incidence rate (IR) of active tuberculosis stratified by tumor necrosis factor (TNF) antagonist after September 2003 *

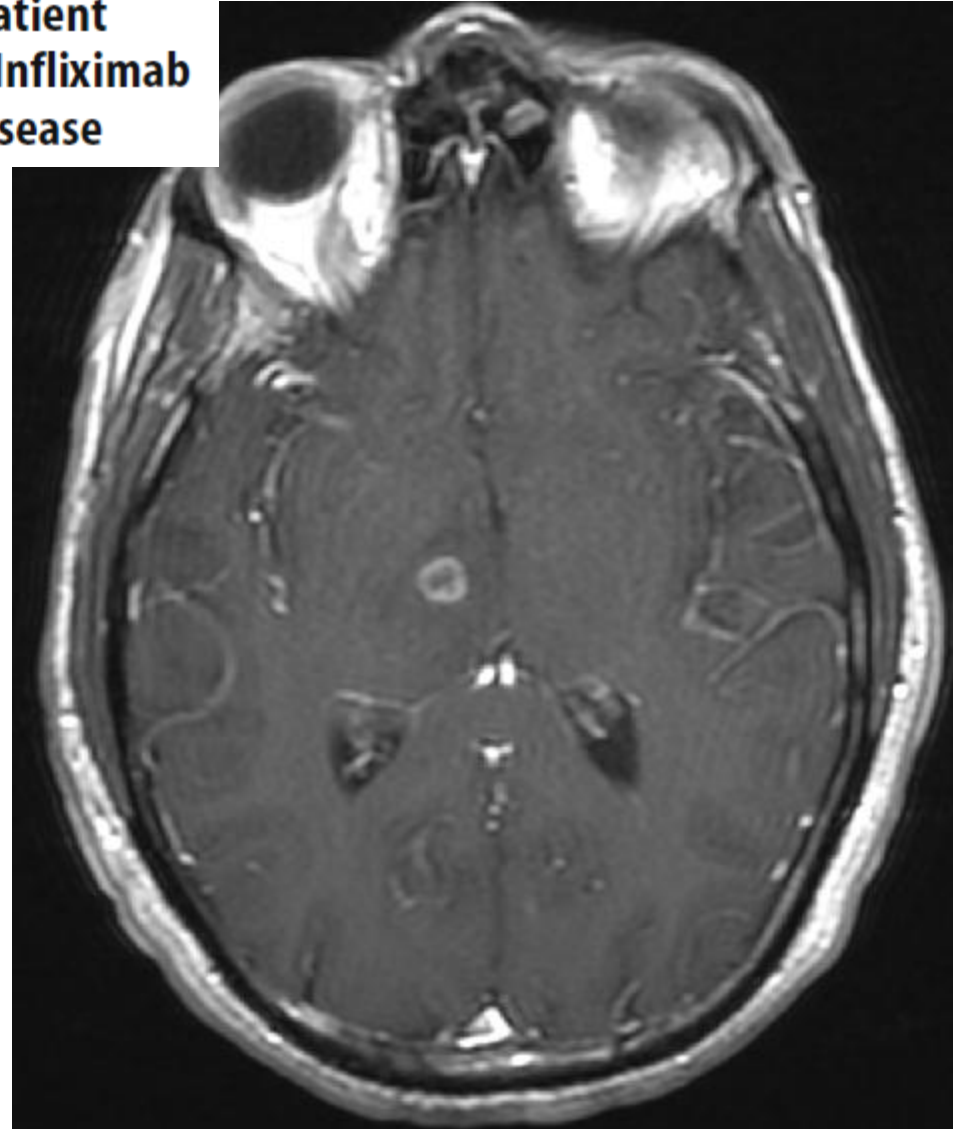
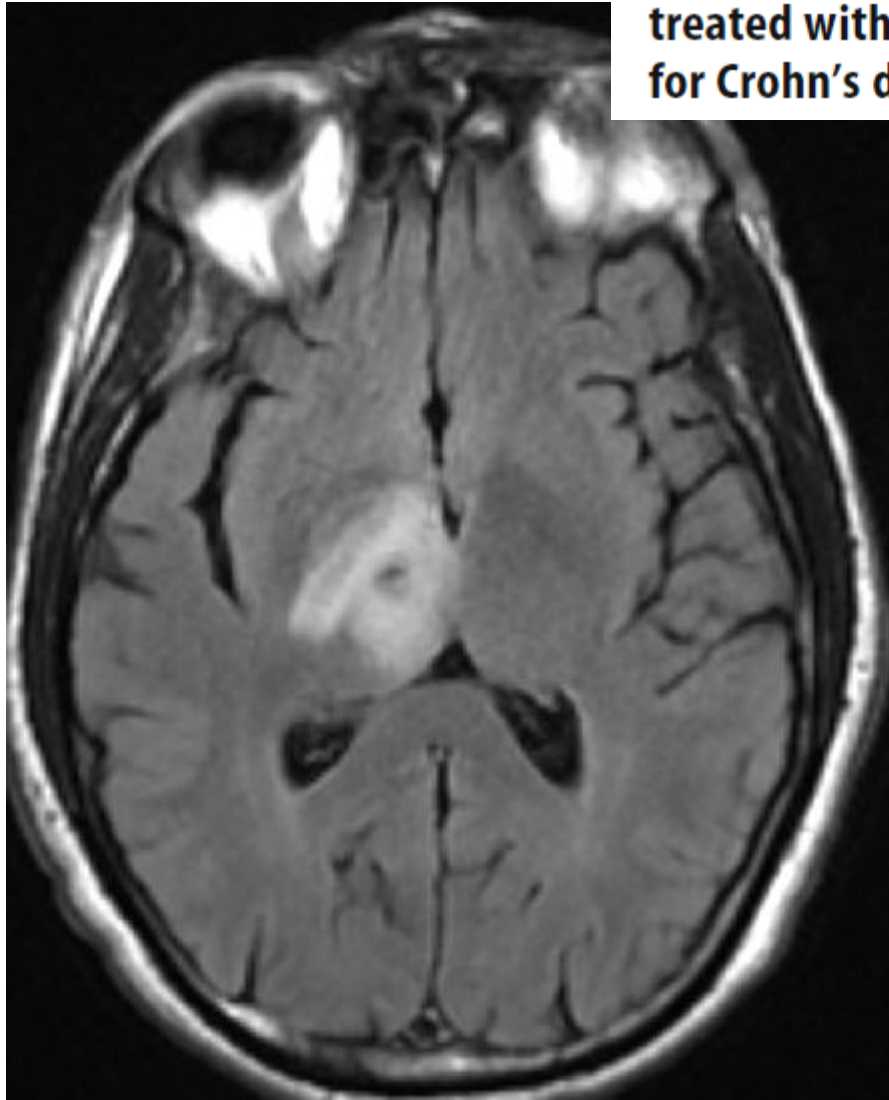
| TNF antagonist | Patient-years | Cases | IR per 100,000 (95% CI) |
|----------------|---------------|-------|----------------------------|
| Infliximab | 1,303 | 5 | 383 (159–921) |
| Etanercept | 1,740 | 2 | 114 (28–459) |
| Adalimumab | 565 | 1 | 176 (24–1,254) |

* 95% CI = 95% confidence interval.

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**Cerebral tubercular
lesions in a patient
treated with Infliximab
for Crohn's disease**



Effectiveness of Recommendations to Prevent Reactivation of Latent Tuberculosis Infection in Patients Treated With Tumor Necrosis Factor Antagonists

Table 2. Rate of active TB in the BIOBADASER cohort before and after the specific recommendations, and risk ratio for the incidence of active TB compared with the risk in the background Spanish population and in the EMECAR patients*

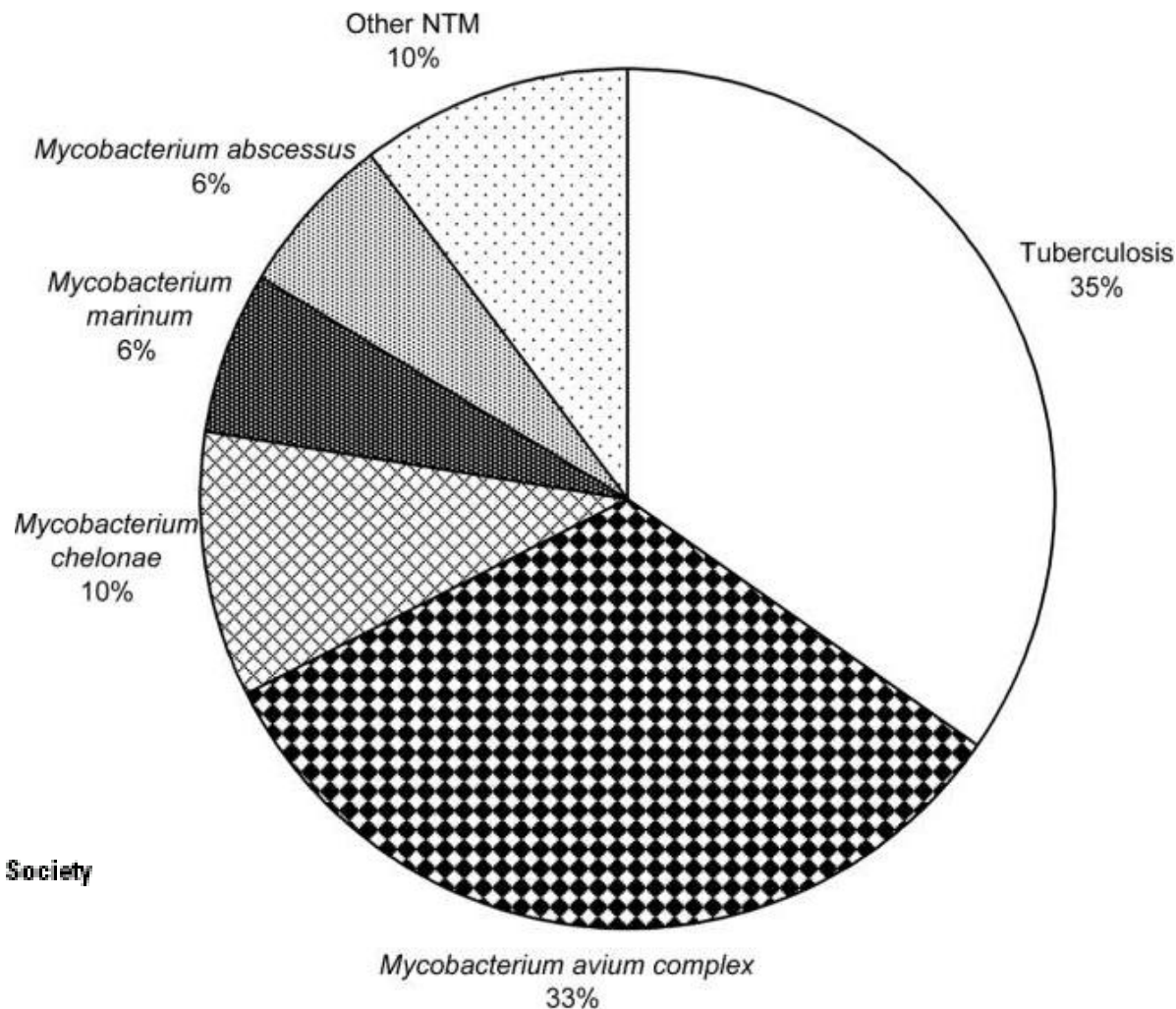
| | Patient-years of exposure to TNF antagonists | No. of active TB cases | Active TB rate per 100,000 (95% CI) | IRR versus background (95% CI) | IRR versus EMECAR (95% CI)† |
|----------------------------------|--|------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| All TB cases | | | | | |
| Pre-OR | 6,126 | 32 | 522 (369–738) | 20.9 (12.0–36.8) | – |
| Post-OR | 1,699 | 2 | 117 (29–470) | 4.7 (0.5–18.9) | – |
| IRR _{recommendations} ‡ | – | – | 0.22 (0.03–0.88) | – | – |
| TB cases with RA only | | | | | |
| Pre-OR | 4,780 | 27 | 564 (387–823) | 22.6 (12.6–40.6) | 6.2 (2.6–16.9) |
| Post-OR | 1,049 | 1 | 95 (13–676) | 3.8 (0.1–23.3) | 1.0 (0.02–8.2) |
| IRR _{recommendations} ‡ | | | 0.17 (0.004–1.02) | – | – |

* TB = tuberculosis; IRR = incidence risk ratio; 95% CI = 95% confidence interval (see Table 1 for other definitions).

† EMECAR patients were patients with rheumatoid arthritis (RA) who were not treated with TNF antagonists and were followed up for 5 years in the Morbidity and Clinical Expression of Rheumatoid Arthritis study.

‡ IRR_{recommendations} = incidence risk ratio comparing the rates of active TB before (pre-OR) and following (post-OR) the official recommendations implemented on March 1, 2002 for the management of latent TB infection.

Mycobacterial and Other Serious Infections in Patients Receiving Anti-Tumor Necrosis Factor and Other Newly Approved Biologic Therapies: Case Finding through the Emerging Infections Network



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Subfulminant hepatitis B after infliximab in Crohn's disease: Need for HBV-screening?

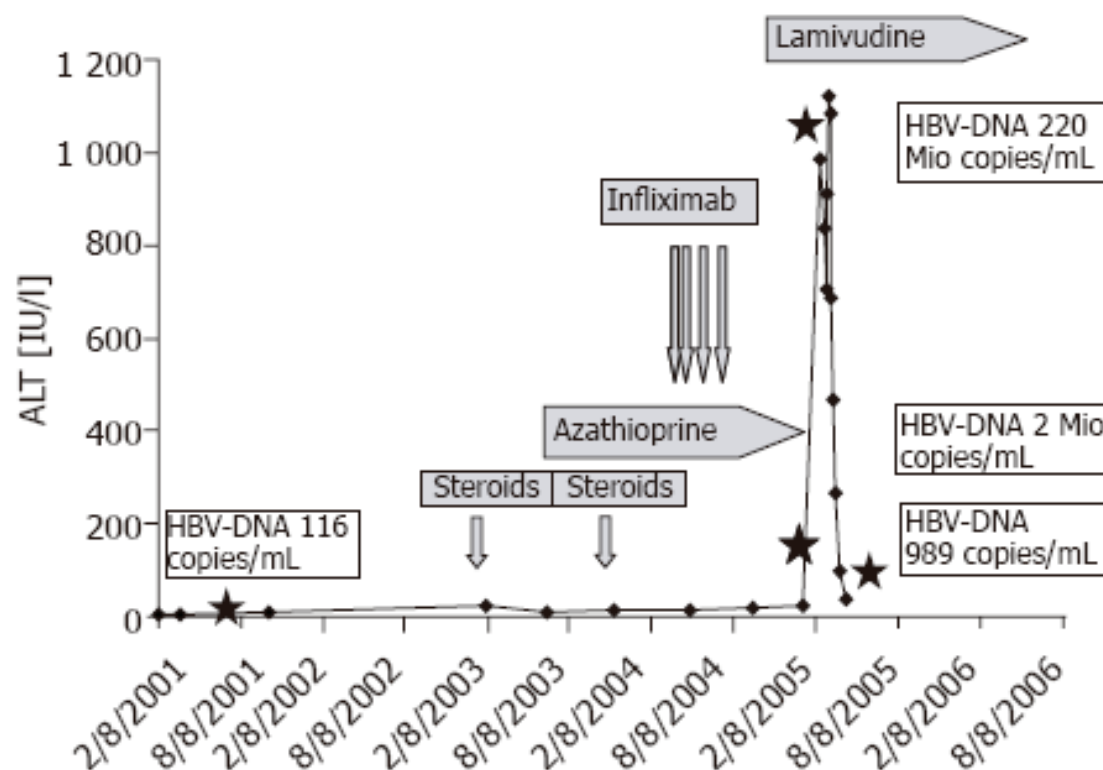


Figure 1 ALT remained within the normal range during therapy with prednisolone, azathioprine and during the infusions with infliximab. Only after the fourth infusion of infliximab, the patient developed a fulminant hepatitis with ALT up to 1 100 IU/L. HBV-DNA () quantification showed 220 mio copies/mL. Lamivudine (150 mg/d) was started and led to a rapid decrease in transaminases and HBV-DNA.

Risk factors for *Acinetobacter baumannii* colonization and infection among patients admitted to Intensive Care Units

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- 6 ICUs**
- Screening at admission and during the stay (once weekly) if >48h**
- 434 pts [20 (4.6%) colonized at admission]**
- 17 pts (3.9%) became Ab infected during the ICU stay**

Risk factors for MDR *A. baumannii* infection among ICU patients: P2054

| Table 2 | Univariate analysis HR (95% CI) | p | Multivariate analysis HR (95% CI) | p |
|--|------------------------------------|--------|--------------------------------------|--------|
| Age | 0.97 (0.95-1.01) | 0.14 | | |
| Male sex | 0.51 (0.16-1.61) | 0.25 | | |
| APACHE II score | 0.89 (0.79-1.01) | 0.06 | | |
| Prior antibiotic therapy (30 d) | 0.78 (0.23-2.61) | 0.69 | | |
| Days of hospitalization before ICU admission | 1.00 (0.98-1.02) | 0.68 | | |
| ICU admission for medical condition | 1.11 (0.33-3.68) | 0.87 | | |
| Any infection at the time of ICU admission | 1.41 (0.45-4.45) | 0.55 | | |
| Antibiotic therapy during ICU stay | | | | |
| Carbapenems | 4.86 (1.42-16.58) | 0.01 | 3.96 (1.14-13.76) | 0.03 |
| Cephalosporin 2 nd /3 th gen | 0.23 (0.03-1.77) | 0.16 | | |
| Piperacillin/tazobactam | 1.12 (0.35-3.53) | 0.85 | | |
| Fluoroquinolones | 0.68 (0.15-3.14) | 0.62 | | |
| AB colonization at the time of ICU admission | 32.99 (8.19-133) | <0.001 | 24.29 (5.96-99.96) | <0.001 |

Infection control measures for Gram neg colonized patients

- **Hand hygiene**
- **Physical separation of patients**
- **Education**
- **Detection/surveillance**
- **Environmental cleaning**
- **Antimicrobial stewardship**
- **Cohort patients' and staff**
- **Multifaceted approaches**

An effective intervention to limit the spread of an epidemic carbapenem-resistant *Klebsiella pneumoniae* strain in an acute care setting: From theory to practice

The multidisciplinary intervention involved 3 key elements:

- (1) guidelines for cohorting, cleaning, and screening;
- (2) education and training; and
- (3) Automatic instructions and CRKP alerts.

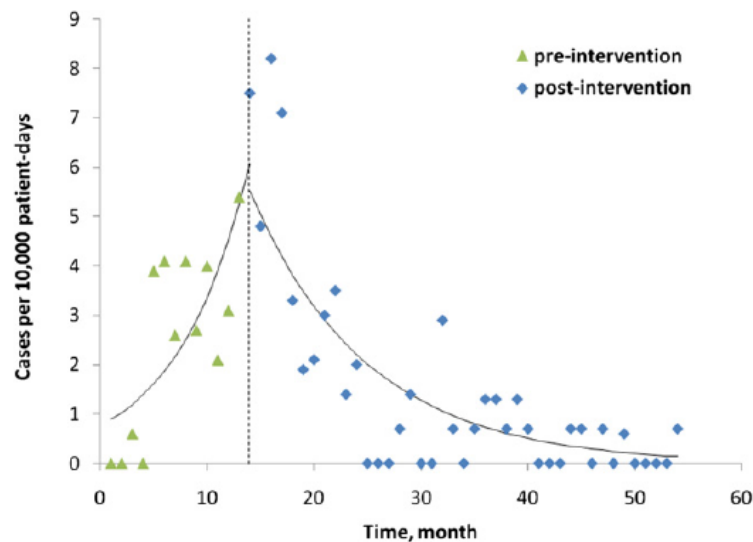


Fig 1. Monthly incidence of clinical CRKP cases per 10,000 patient-days at KMC from January 2006 through June 2010. The preintervention period was

Ciobotaro P et al. Am J Infect Control 2011;39:671-7.)

Clostridium difficile infection in Italian urban hospitals: data from 2006 through 2011

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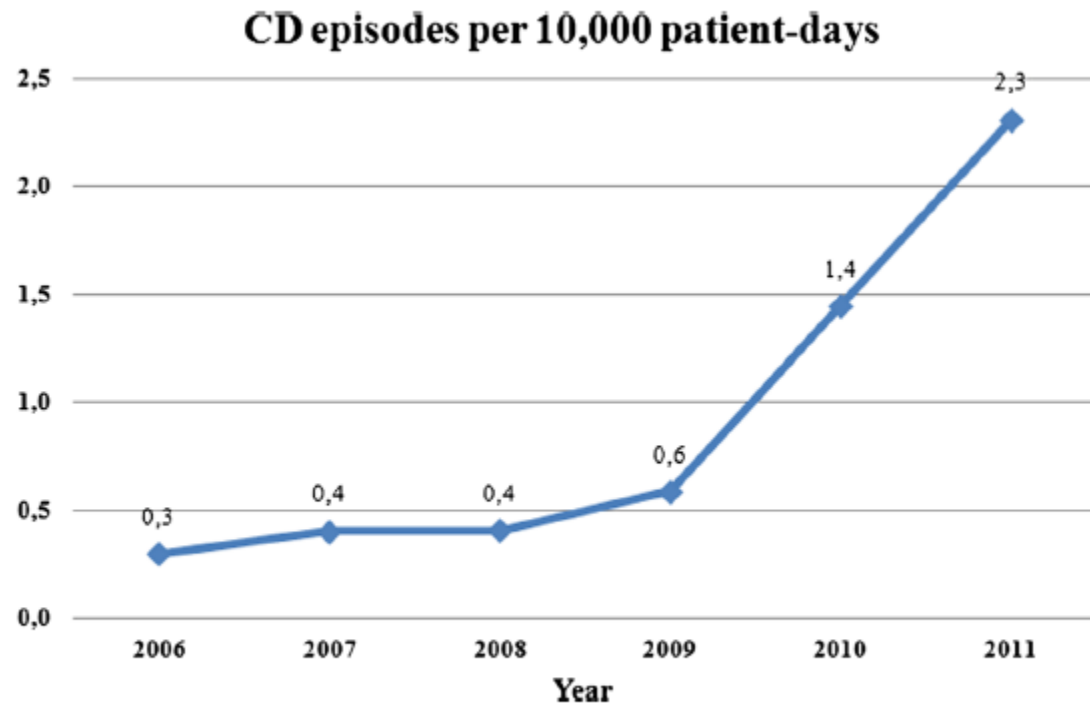


Figure 1 Distribution of *Clostridium difficile* infection (CDI) episode incidence per 10,000 patient-days from 2006 to 2011. Six hospitals in Rome, Italy.

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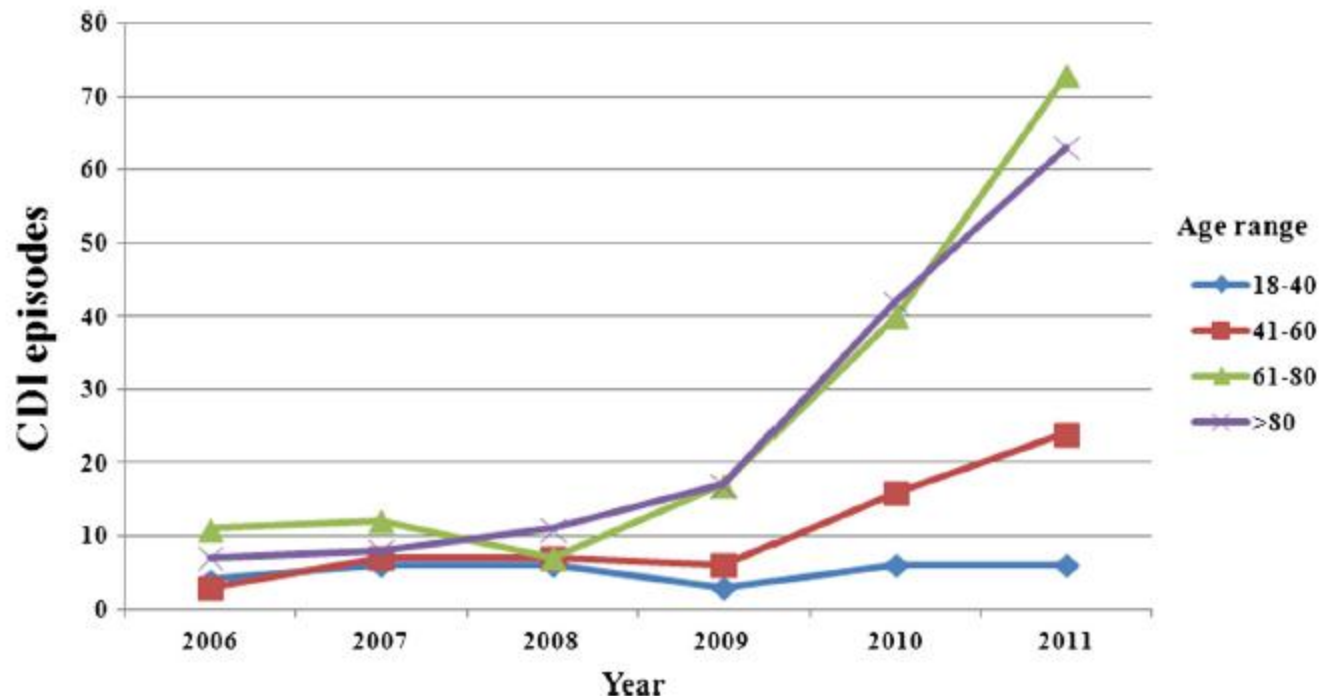
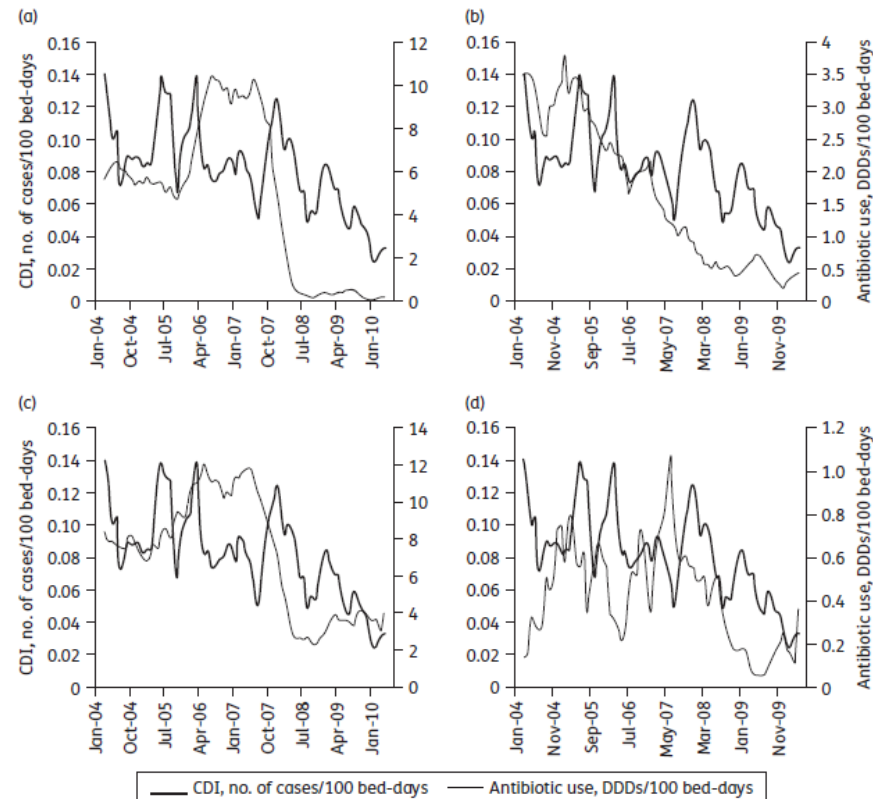


Figure 2 Clostridium difficile infection (CDI) episodes by year and age group.

An evaluation of the impact of antibiotic stewardship on reducing the use of high-risk antibiotics and its effect on the incidence of *Clostridium difficile* infection in hospital settings



Rationale for Antibiotic Optimization: Balancing The Needs of Patient and Society

Inappropriate
antibiotic therapy
associated with
higher mortality



Indiscriminate use of
broad-spectrum
antibiotics driving
resistance

Antimicrobial Stewardship Programs in the ICU

ASPs are designed

- to optimize antimicrobial therapy for ICU patients,
- to improve patients' outcomes,
- ensure cost-effective therapy and
- reduce adverse effects associated with antimicrobial use, including antimicrobial resistance

MacDougall C et al. *Clin Microbiol Rev* 2005; 18; 638–656

Lesprit P et al. *Curr Opin Infect Dis* 2008;21; 344–349

Antimicrobial Stewardship Programs in the ICU

A variety of studies have demonstrated that systematic means to optimize antimicrobial use result in:

- improved patient safety,
- increased probability of minimizing antimicrobial resistance,
- fewer instances of unnecessary antimicrobial use, and
- as a side effect of these, they reduce cost .**

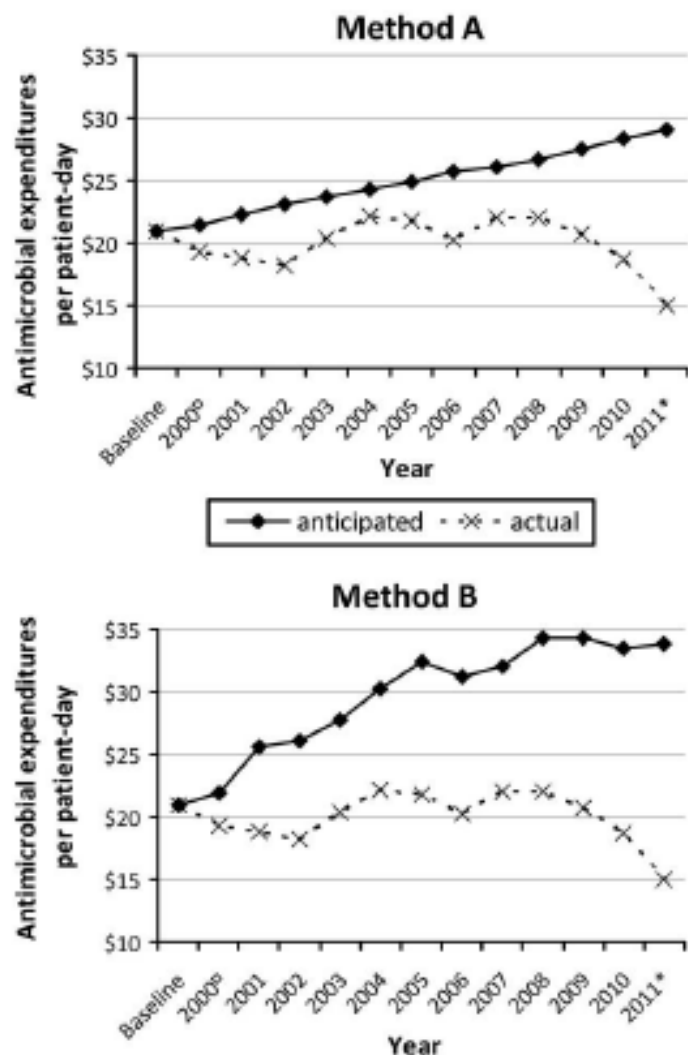
Box 1. Elements to minimize the spread of and to adequately manage patients with multidrug-resistant organisms in intensive care.

Prevention of spread

- Reducing the antibiotic pressure
- Antimicrobial stewardship programs
- Infection control

Clinical management

- Timeliness, appropriateness and adequacy of the initial antibiotic regimen
- De-escalation therapy
- MIC-driven therapy
- Maximizing antimicrobial exposure at the infection site
- Better understanding of pharmacokinetic–pharmacodynamic relationships and the pattern of bactericidal activity



□April – December 2000; *January – June 2011

Show Me the Money: Long-Term Financial Impact of an Antimicrobial Stewardship Program

Beardsley JR et al. *Infect Control Hosp Epidemiol* 2012;33:398-400

TABLE 1. Summary of Annual Savings Associated with the Implementation of the Center for Antimicrobial Utilization Stewardship and Epidemiology, Determined Using an Inflation Rate Based on the US Consumer Price Index for Medical Care Commodities (Method A) and an Anti-Infective-Specific Index (Method B)

| Year | Method A | Method B |
|-------------------|------------|------------|
| 2000 ^a | 158,161 | 229,076 |
| 2001 | 548,002 | 1,267,638 |
| 2002 | 806,393 | 1,446,883 |
| 2003 | 473,174 | 1,354,129 |
| 2004 | 244,160 | 1,555,048 |
| 2005 | 419,613 | 2,005,202 |
| 2006 | 983,690 | 2,172,756 |
| 2007 | 675,036 | 1,990,967 |
| 2008 | 817,503 | 2,557,972 |
| 2009 | 1,278,301 | 2,782,519 |
| 2010 | 2,175,927 | 3,456,373 |
| 2011 ^b | 1,770,827 | 2,406,399 |
| Yearly average | 920,070 | 2,064,441 |
| Total savings | 10,350,787 | 23,224,961 |

NOTE. Data are US dollars.

FIGURE 1. Comparison of anticipated versus actual antimicrobial expenditures per patient-day since the implementation of an antimicrobial stewardship program titled the Center for Antimicrobial Utilization Stewardship and Epidemiology, determined using an inflation rate based on the US consumer price index for medical care commodities (method A) and an anti-infective-specific index (method B).

$$\text{annual savings} = [(\text{AE/pt-day}_{\text{anticipated}} - \text{AE/pt-day}_{\text{actual}}) \times \text{pt-days}] - \text{labor costs.}$$

IDSA STEWARDSHIP GUIDELINES

Dellit et al. CID 2007; 44:159-77

- **Feedback and audit**
- **Education**
- **Guidelines and clinical pathways**
- **Antimicrobial Management Teams**
- Antimicrobial cycling
- Antimicrobial order forms
- Combination therapies
- Pre-authorisation
- De-escalation-review; post-prescription review
- Dose optimisation
- Parenteral to oral conversion [IV-oral switch]
- Prospective audit with intervention and feedback to reduce inappropriate antimicrobial use (A-I)
- Formulary restriction and pre-authorization leading to reductions in antimicrobial use and cost (A-II)

ID Consultation

| | P1 | P2 | P |
|---|----------------|----------------|--------|
| Infections | 205 | 197 | |
| Appropriate therapy | 141 (68.8%) | 165 (83.7%) | 0.0004 |
| Adherence to the local guidelines for empirical antimicrobial therapy | 63.4% | 83.8% | 0.0001 |

- shorter duration of antibiotic treatment ($P < .0001$), mechanical ventilation ($P < .0001$), ICU stay ($P < .0001$), and reduced in-hospital mortality ($P = .006$).

Raineri et al. Am J Infect Control 2008; 36:283-90

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IMPACT OF STEWARDSHIP ON SAFETY?

“The reductions in antimicrobial utilization associated with stewardship interventions have not been associated with any worsening in nosocomial infection rates, length of stay or mortality among intensive care patients.”

“Stewardship interventions were associated with ... fewer antibiotic adverse events.”