

Sepsis Management at the Hospital Point of Care

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Goals

- **Define sepsis**
 - Incidence/prevalence
 - Manifestations
 - Pathophysiology
- **Surviving Sepsis Campaign**
- **Treatments**

Definitions

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**Absence of
microorganisms**

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Small number of microorganisms and absence of significant inflammatory response to the presence of microorganisms

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Inflammatory response to the presence of microorganisms or the invasion of normally sterile host tissue by those organisms

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Calor

Dolor

Rubor

Tumor

Definitions

How do you define
“systemic”
inflammation?

Systemic Inflammatory Response Syndrome (SIRS)

- SIRS requires *two* of the following
 - Temp < 36°C or > 38°C
 - < 96.8°F or > 100.4°F
 - Heart rate > 90 beats/min
 - RR > 20 breaths/min or $P_a\text{CO}_2 < 32$ mm Hg
 - WBC > 12,000 or < 4,000/mm³, or > 10% band forms

ACCP/SCCM Definitions

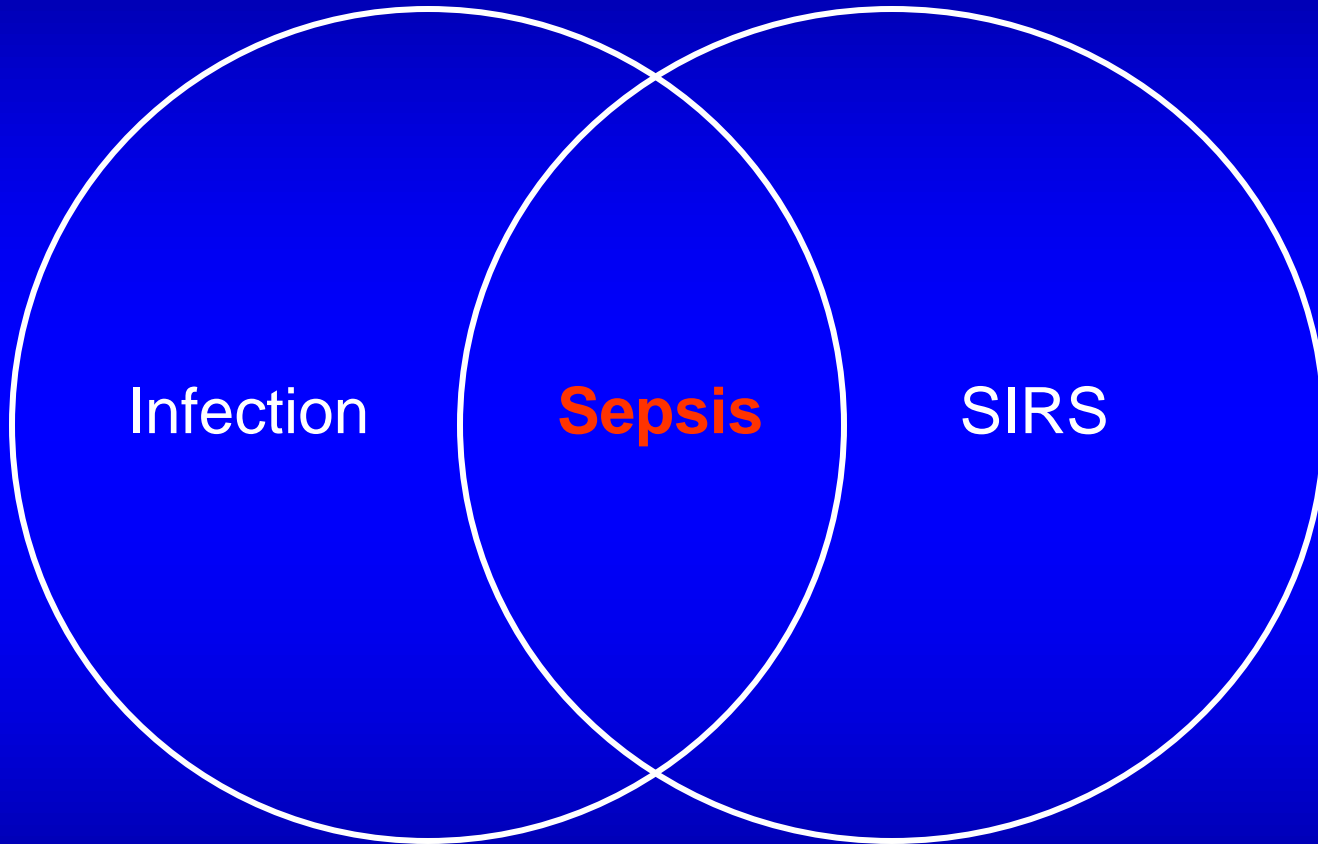
- **Sepsis = SIRS + *Infection***
 - The body's inflammatory response to infection

Diagnostic Criteria for Sepsis

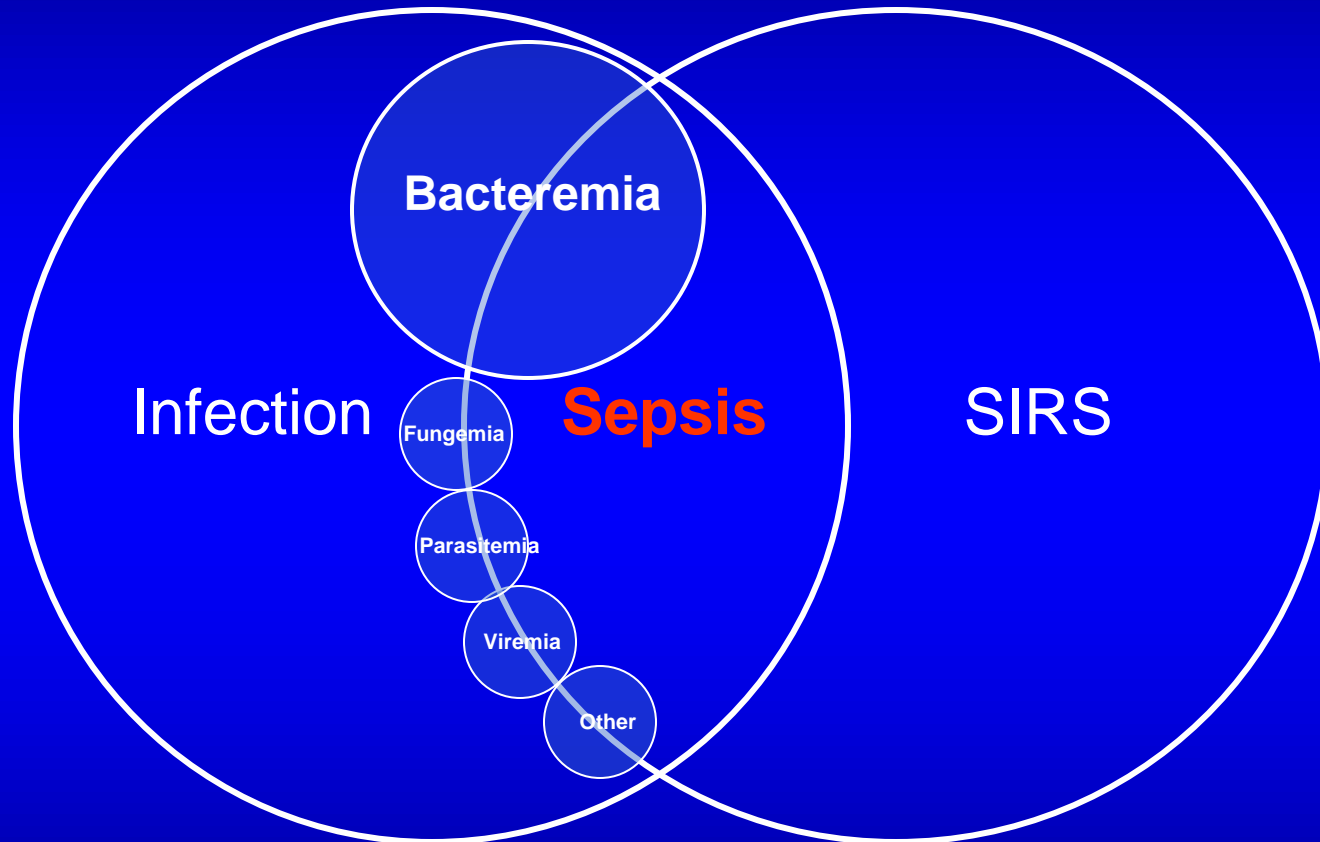
Infection (documented or suspected) and some of the following

- **General variables**
 - SIRS criteria
 - Altered mental status
 - Significant edema or positive fluid balance
 - Hyperglycemia *in the absence of diabetes*
- **Inflammatory variables**
 - CRP > 2 SD above normal
 - PCT > 2 SD above normal
- **Hemodynamic variables**
 - SBP < 90 or MAP < 60
 - SBP decrease > 40 from baseline
 - Svo₂ > 70%
 - Cardiac index > 3.5L/min/m²
- **Organ dysfunction variables**
 - Arterial hypoxemia
 - PaO₂/FiO₂ < 300 mm Hg
 - Acute oliguria
 - UOP < 0.5 ml/kg/hr ≥ 2hrs
 - Creatinine increase > 0.5 mg/dl
 - Coagulation abnormalities
 - INR > 1.5 or aPTT > 60 sec
 - Ileus
 - Thrombocytopenia (<100K)
 - Hyperbilirubinemia (>4 mg/dl)
- **Tissue perfusion variables**
 - Hyperlactatemia
 - Decreased capillary refill or mottling

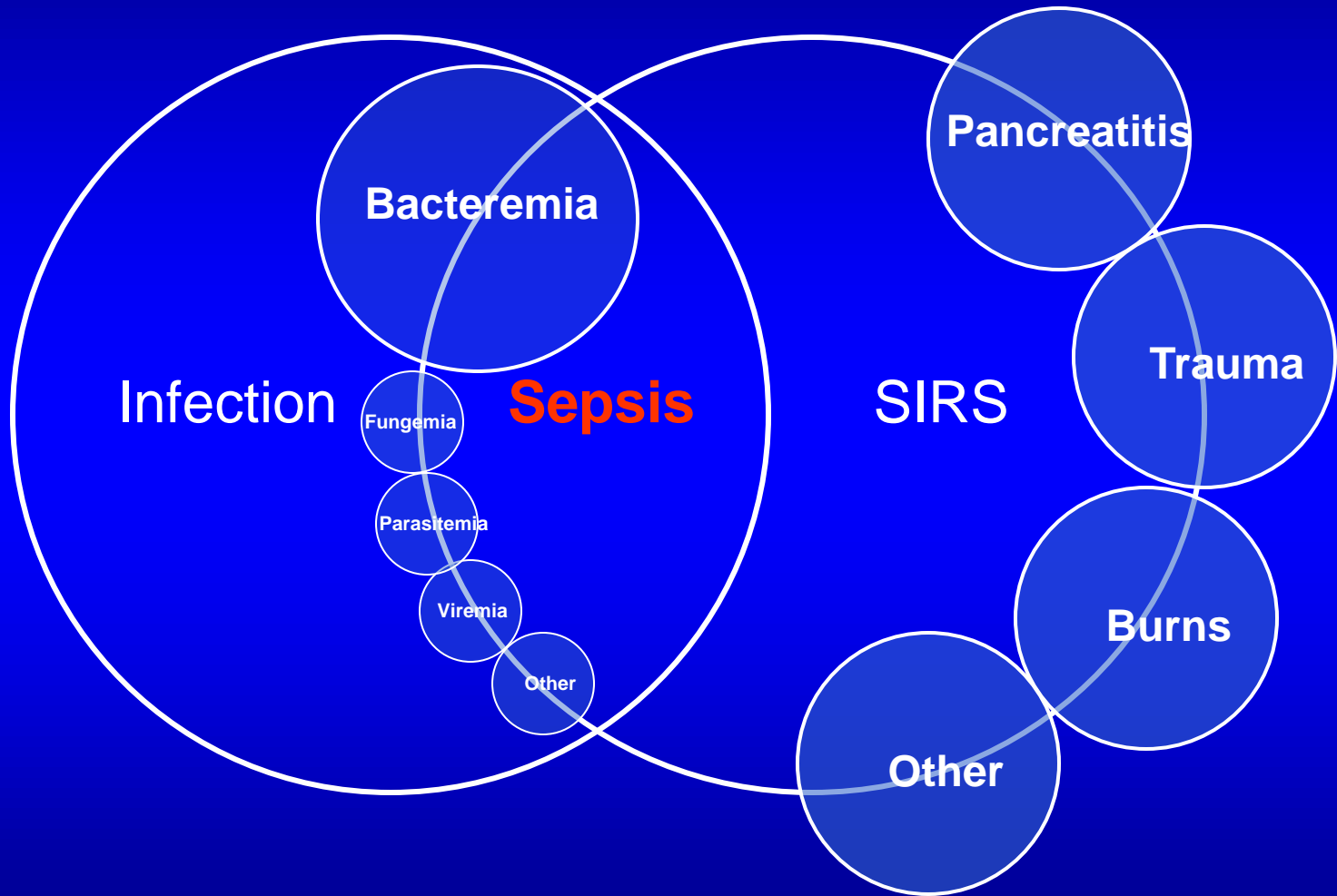
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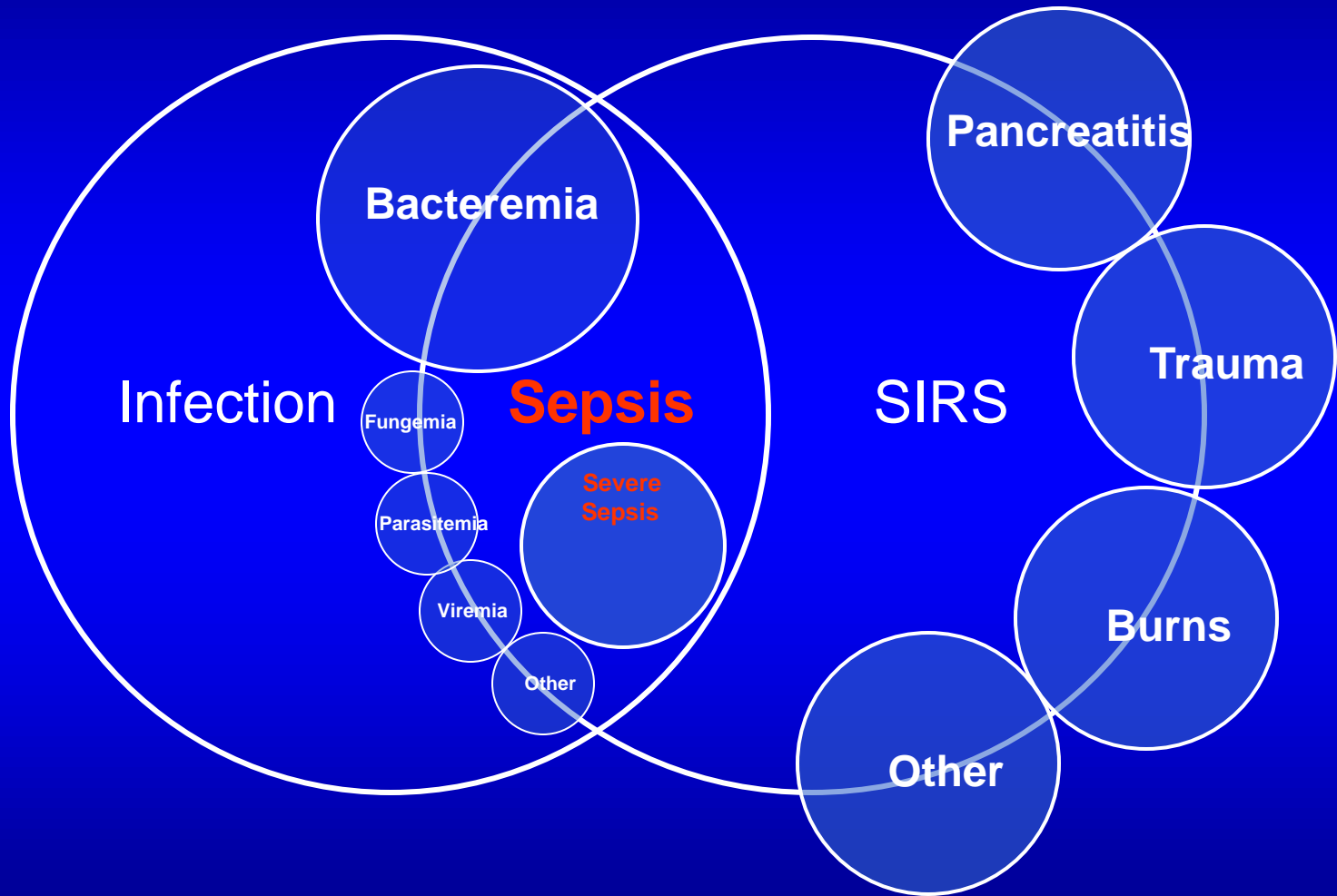
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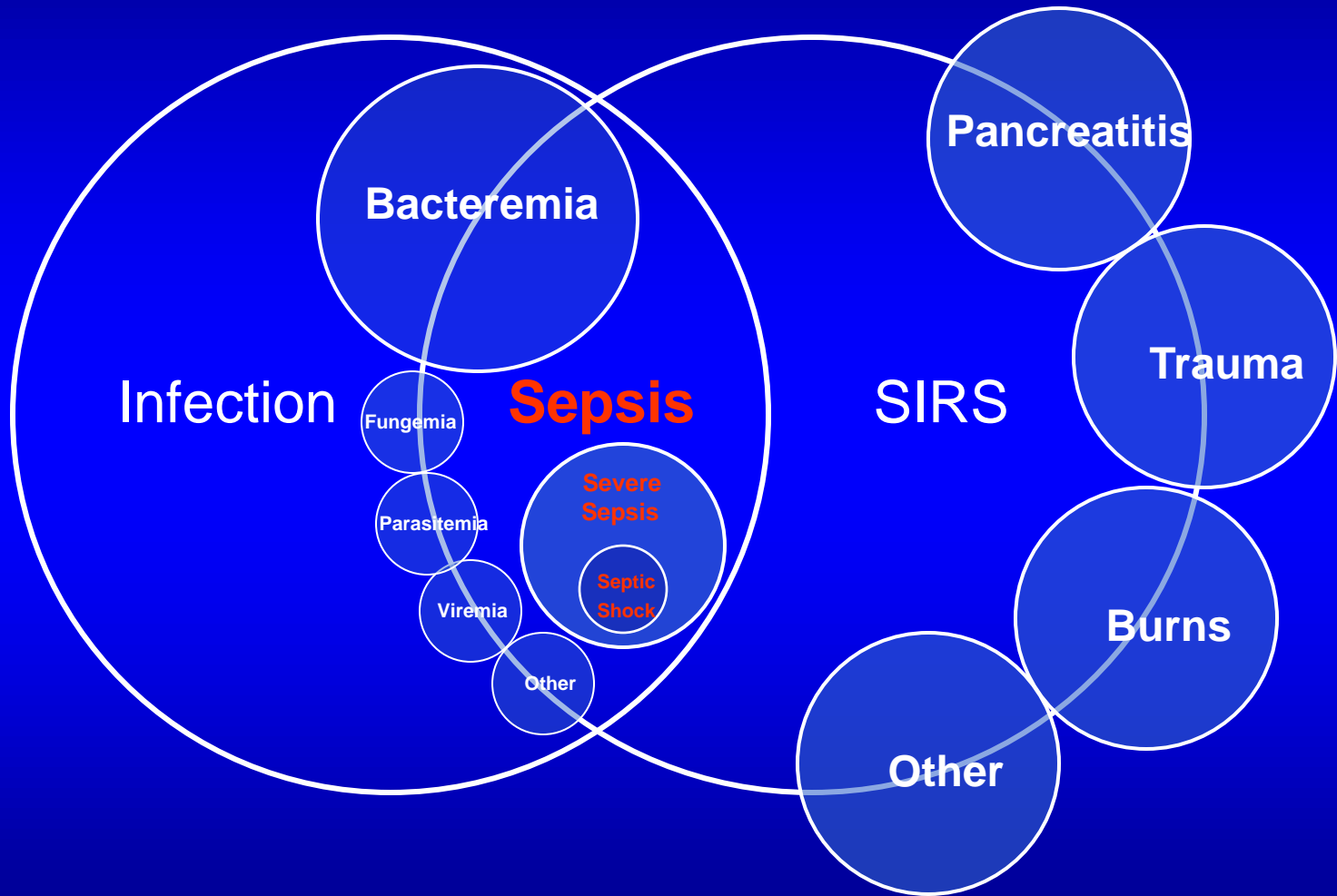
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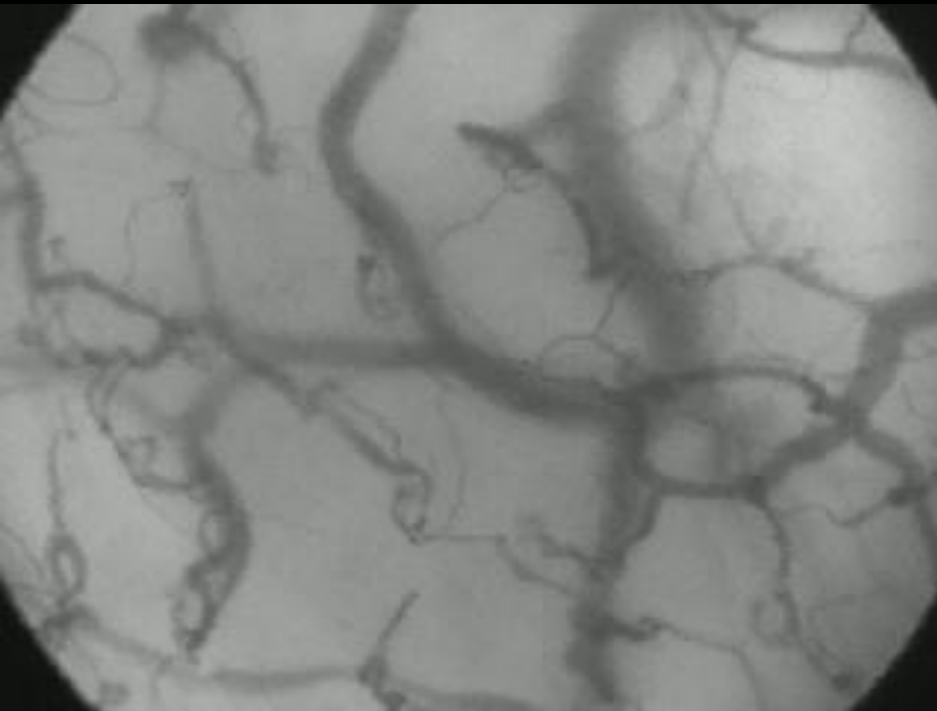


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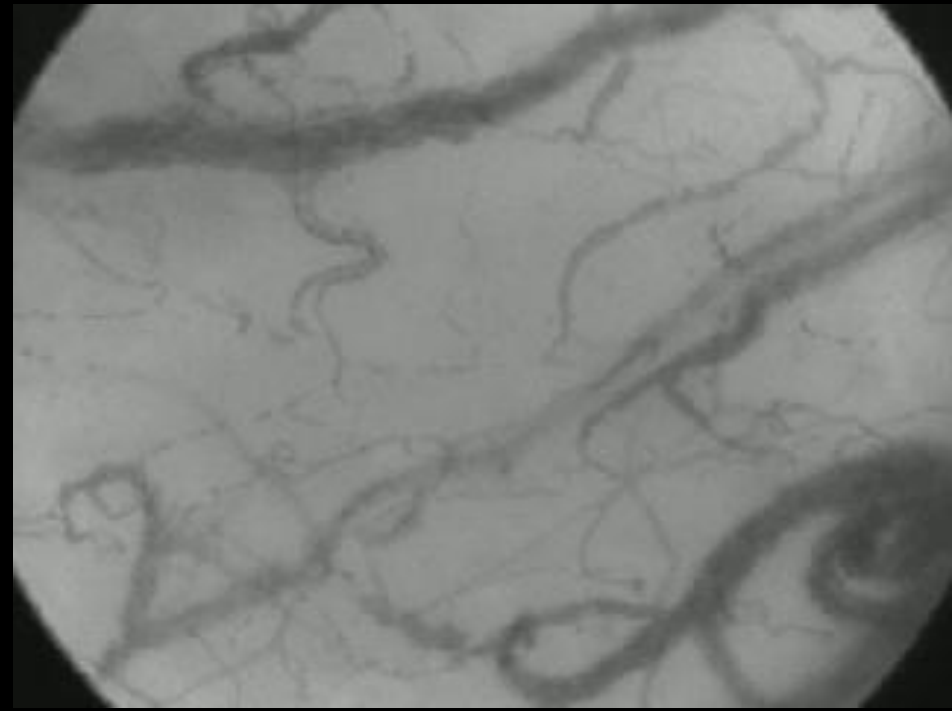
- **Severe sepsis – pathophysiology**
 - Endothelial dysfunction
 - Activation of coagulation cascade
 - Microvascular thrombosis
 - End-organ dysfunction

Sublingual Circulation

Normal subject



Septic shock



ACCP/SCCM Definitions

- **Severe sepsis – clinical manifestations**
 - Hypoperfusion
 - Hypotension
 - Organ dysfunction

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Alteration in function of any
organ or system

ACCP/SCCM Definitions

- **Septic Shock**
 - Sepsis-induced hypotension *despite adequate fluid resuscitation*
 - Perfusion abnormalities
 - Lactic acidosis
 - Oliguria
 - Acute alteration in mental status

ACCP/SCCM Definitions

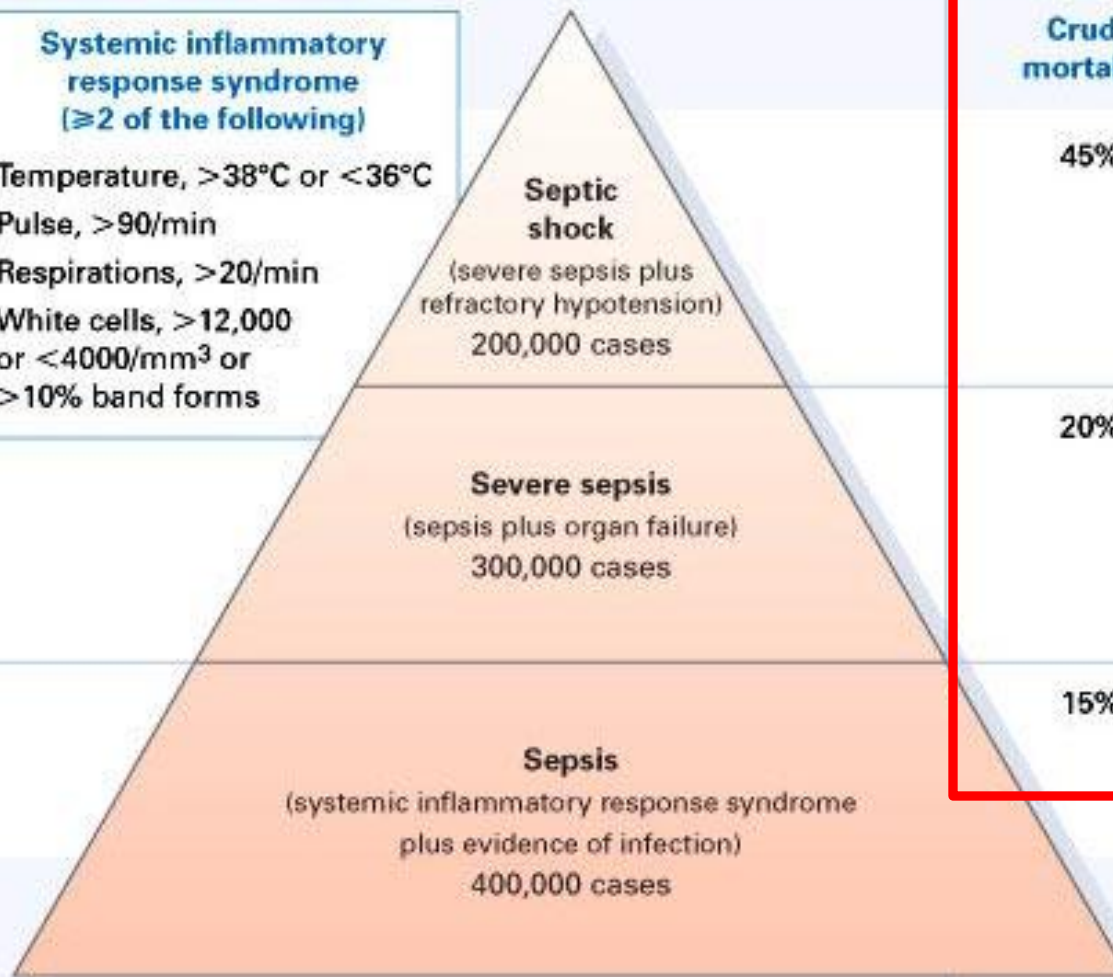
- **Septic Shock**

Patients receiving inotropic or vasopressor agents may no longer be hypotensive by the time they manifest hypoperfusion abnormalities or organ dysfunction, yet they are *still considered to have septic shock*

Sepsis in the United States

Systemic inflammatory response syndrome (≥ 2 of the following)

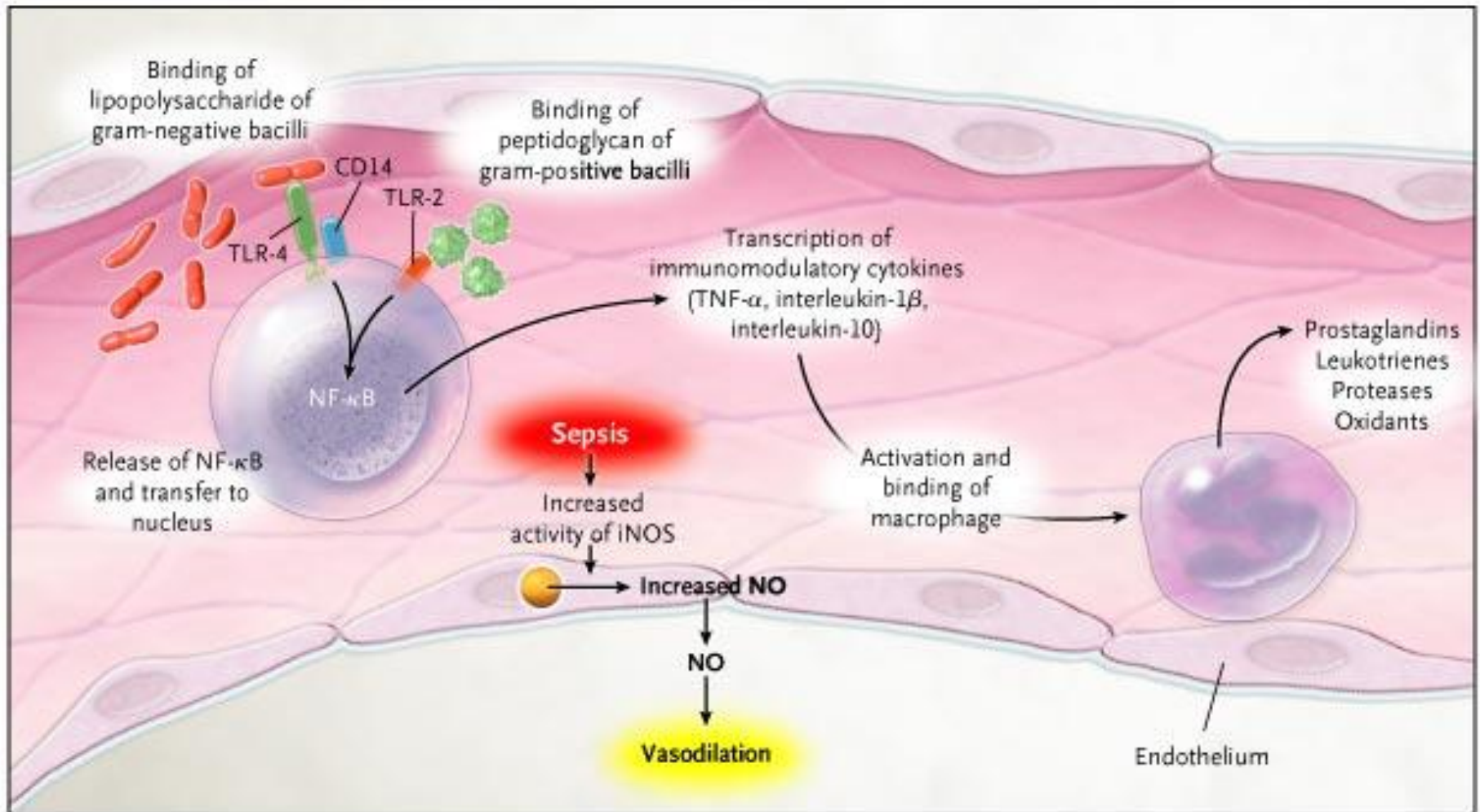
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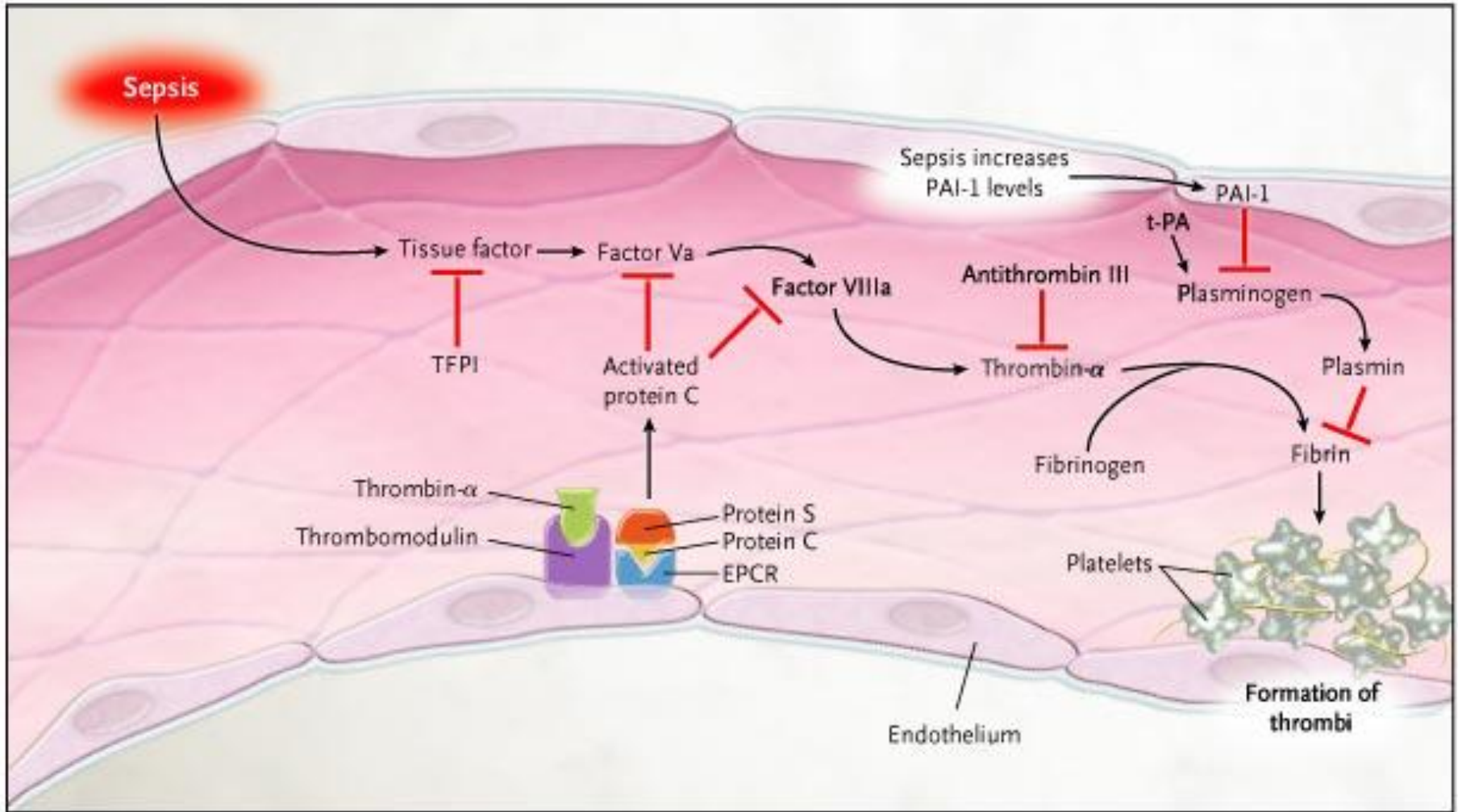


Pathophysiology of Sepsis

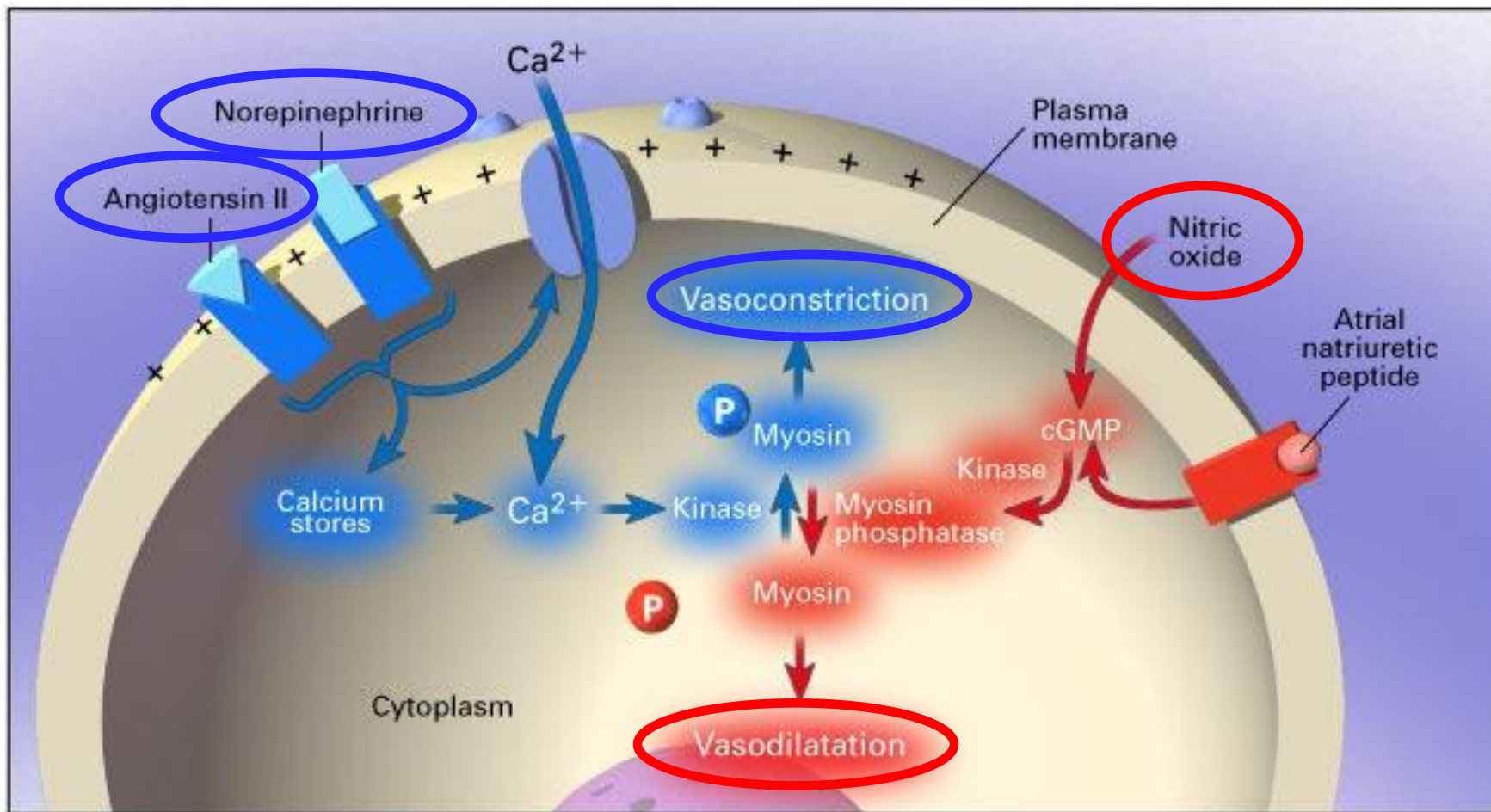
Inflammatory Responses to Sepsis



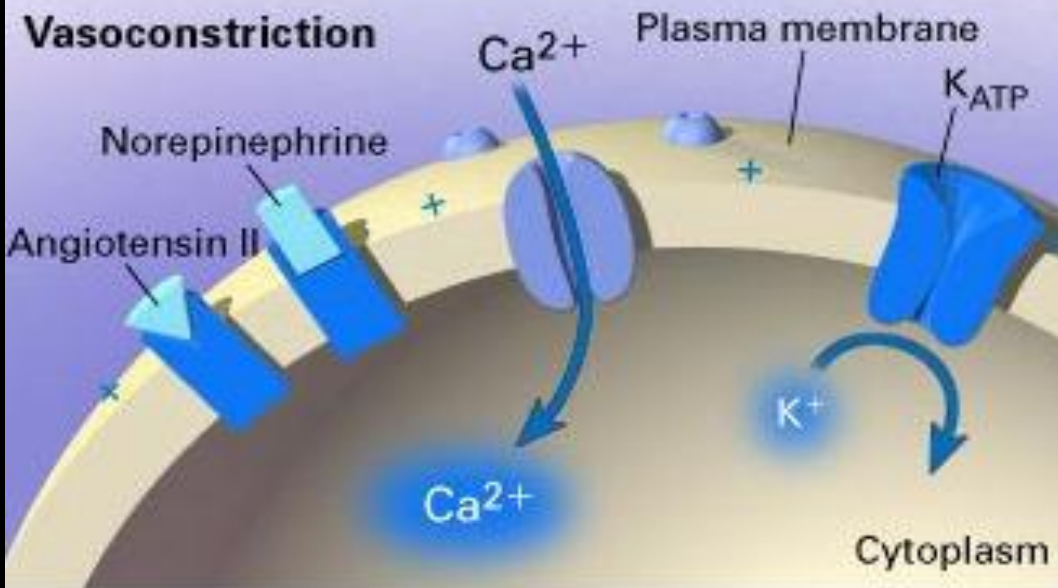
Procoagulant Response in Sepsis



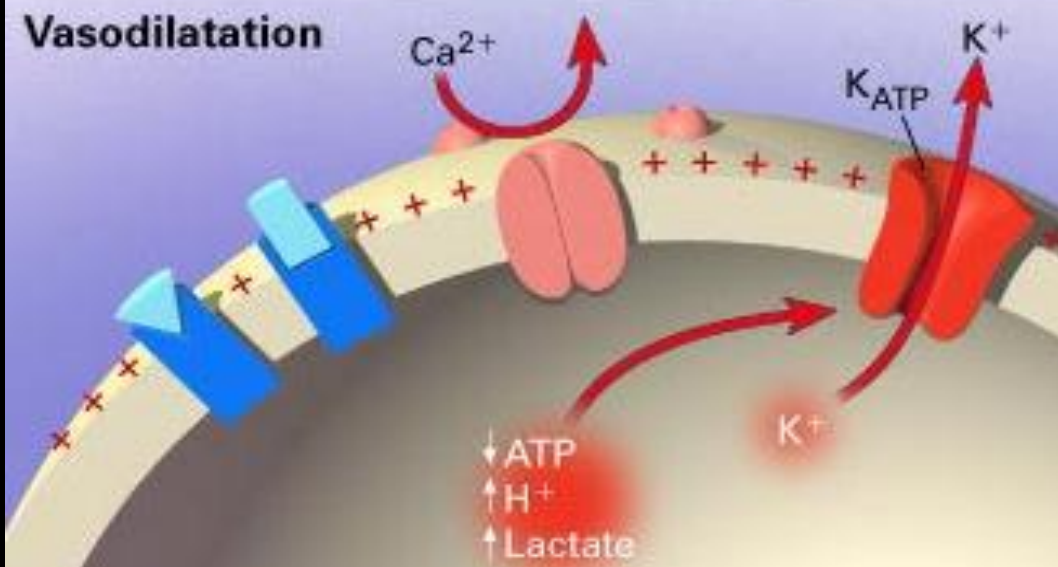
Regulation of Vascular Smooth-Muscle Tone



Resting Potential



Hyperpolarization



Effect of Membrane Potential on the Regulation of Vascular Tone

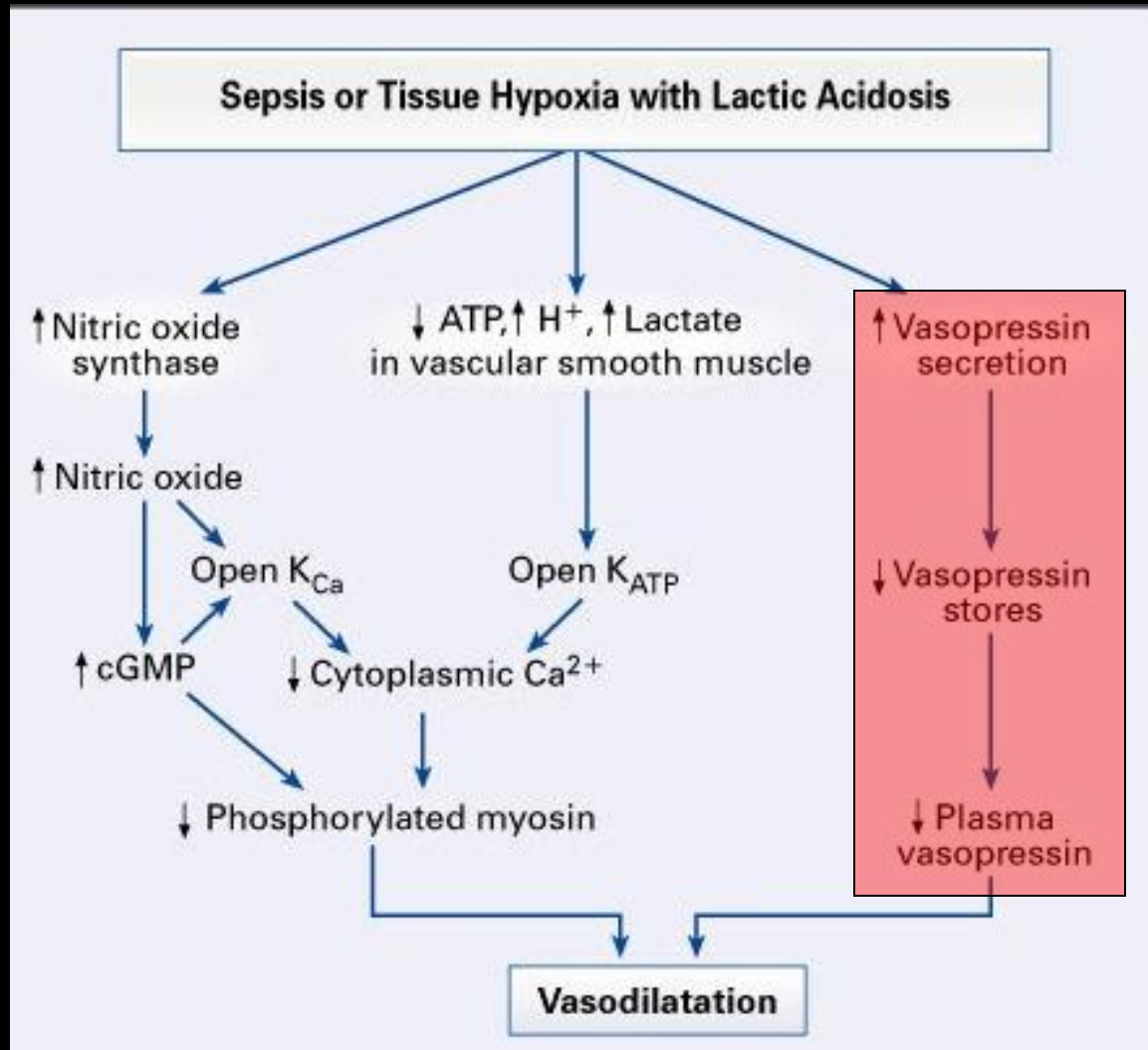
Effect of Lactic Acidosis on Vascular Tone

Landry D. *N Engl J Med* 2001;345:588-595

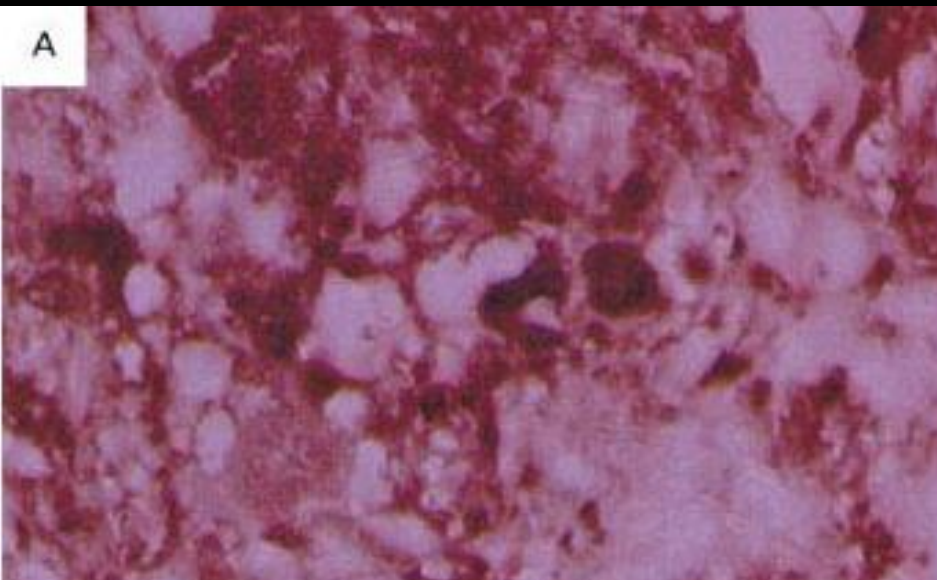


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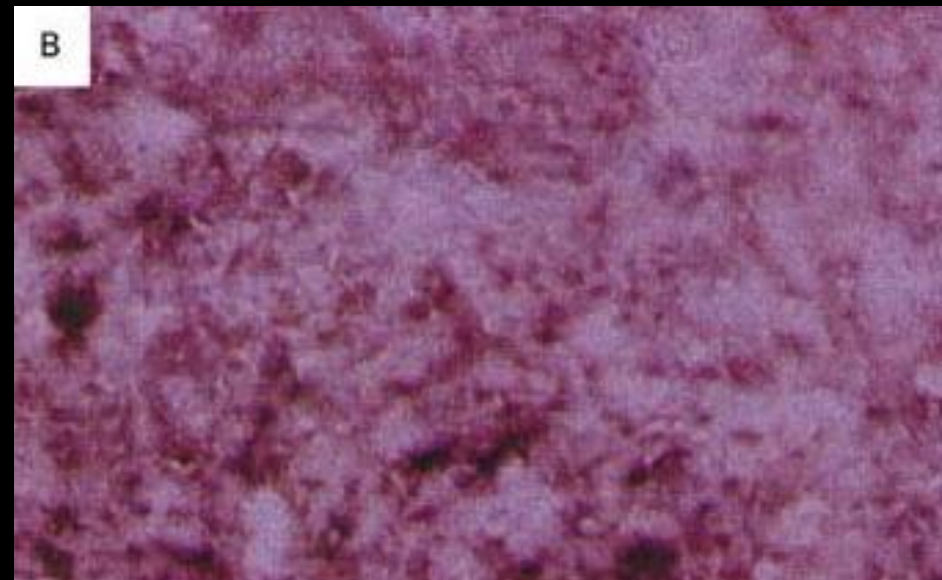
Mechanisms of Vasodilatory Shock



Vasopressin immunoreactivity in the neurohypophysis after severe hemorrhagic hypotension (MAP 40 mm Hg) for one hour



Normal Dog



After Shock for One Hour

Stages of Sepsis

**From tissue insult to SIRS to Sepsis
to Severe Sepsis to MODS to Death**

From the Dogs of War to the Doves of Peace



Compensatory Anti-Inflammatory Response Syndrome (CARS)

- **Follows SIRS; may be as large or larger**
 - **Downregulation of inflammatory cytokines**
 - TNF- γ and IL-2
 - **Upregulation of anti-inflammatory cytokines**
 - IL-4, 6, 10, 11, 13, TNF- α , IL-1 ra, TFG- β
 - **Impaired Antigen presenting activity**
 - Diminished MHC-2 expression
 - **HLA-DR monocyte expression reduced to < 30%**
 - Diminished ability to produce inflammatory cytokines



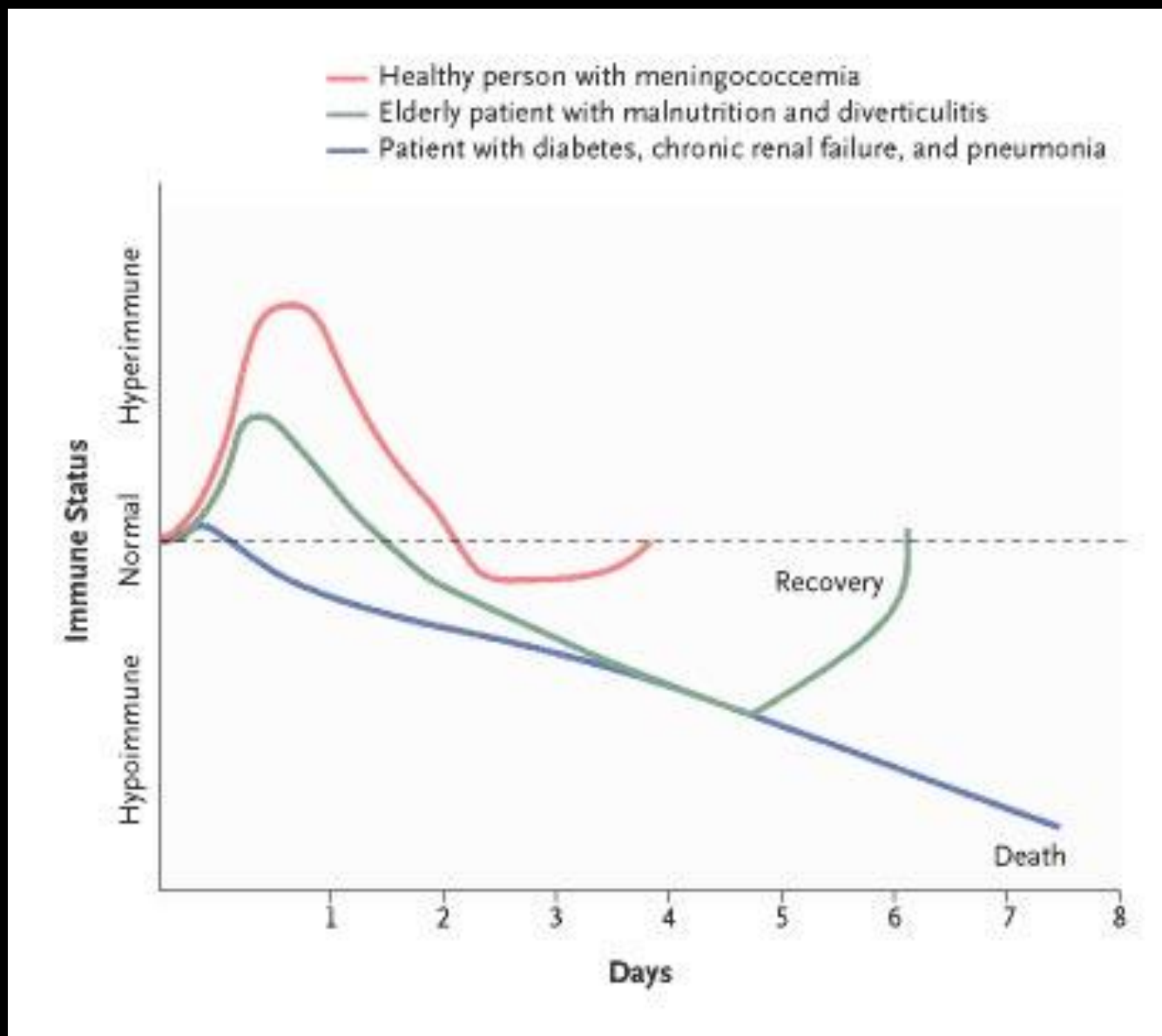
Bone RC. *Chest* 1997; 112:235-243

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Stages after Initial Insult

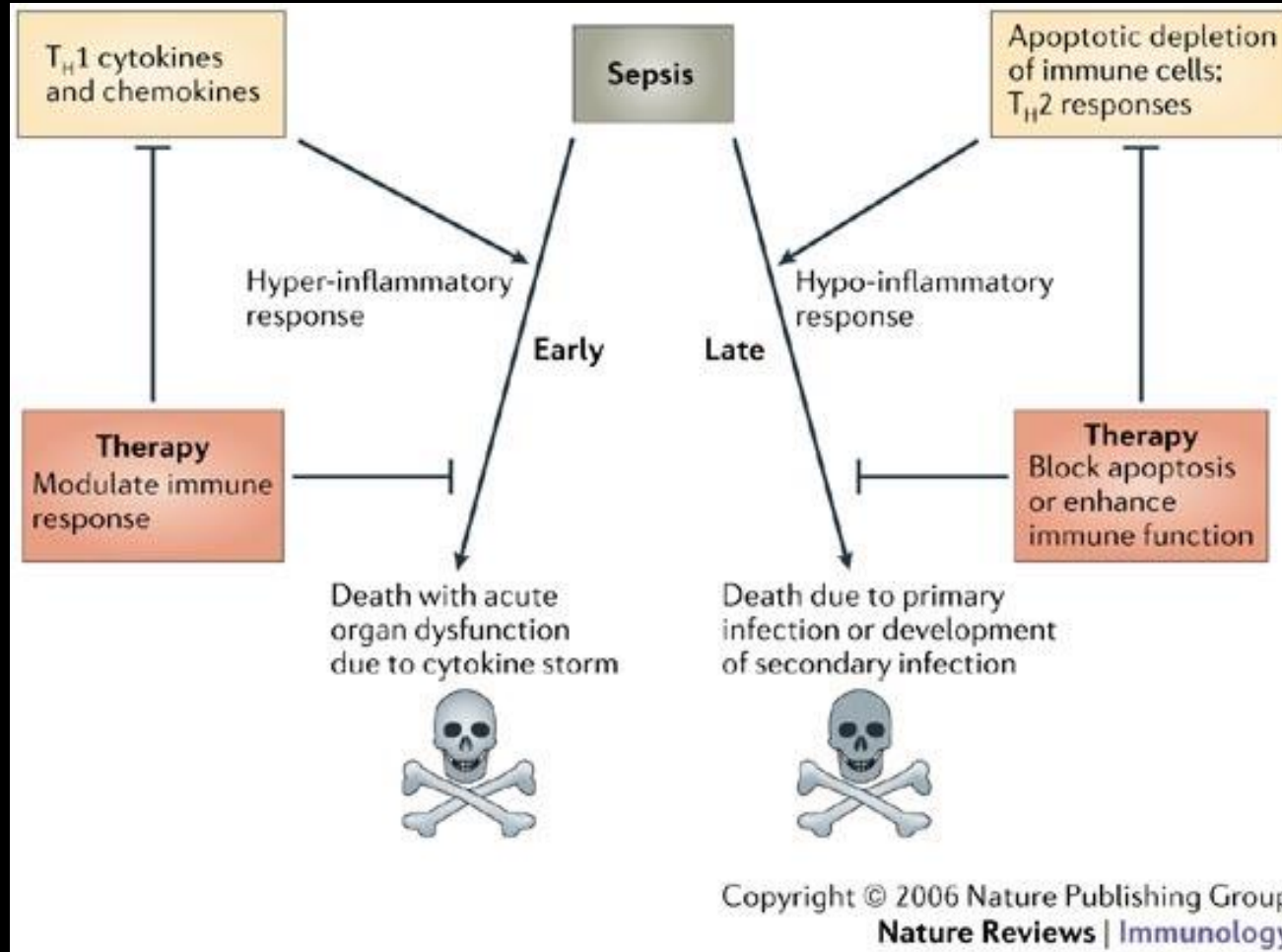
- **Local inflammation/CARS**
- **Systemic inflammation/CARS**
- **Loss of inflammatory regulation**
- **Excessive anti-inflammatory reaction**
- **Immunologic dissonance**

Immunologic Response of Three Hypothetical Patients with Sepsis



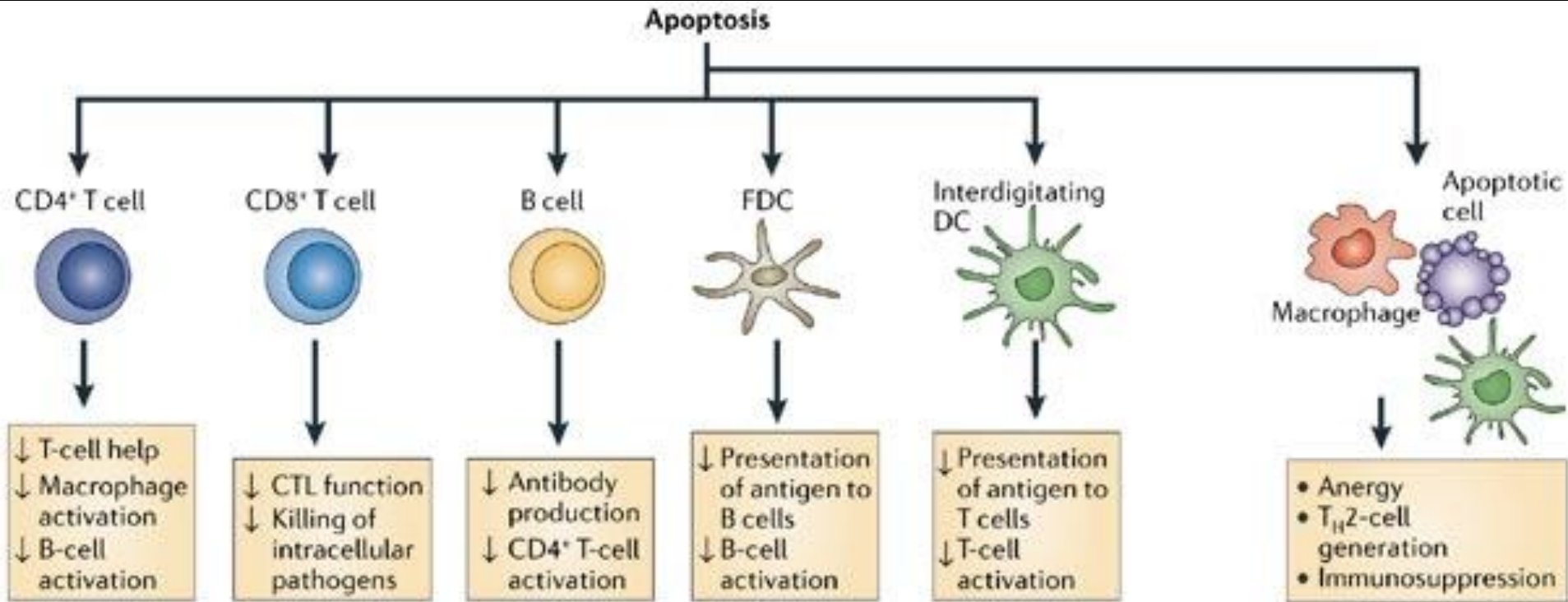
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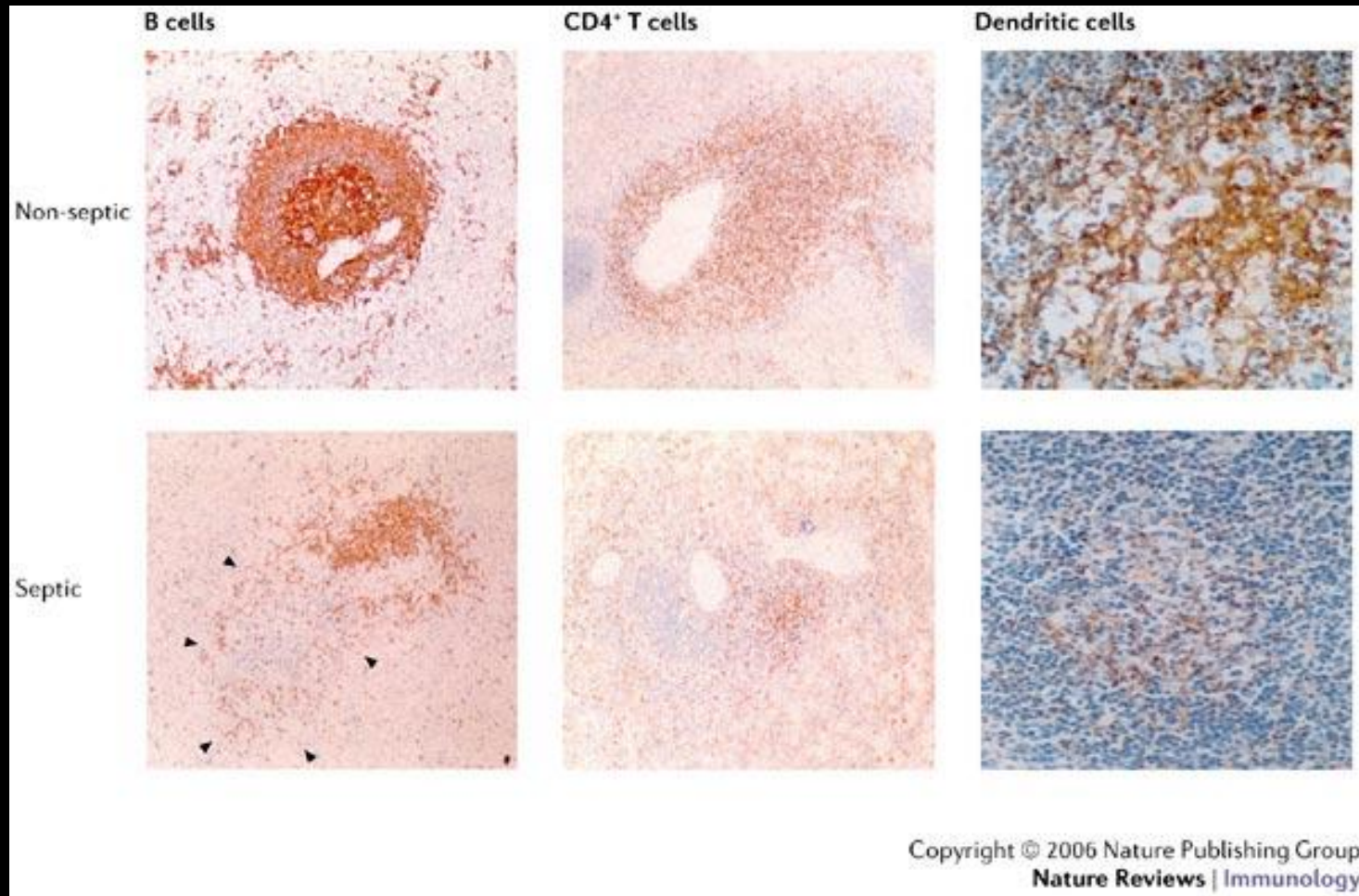
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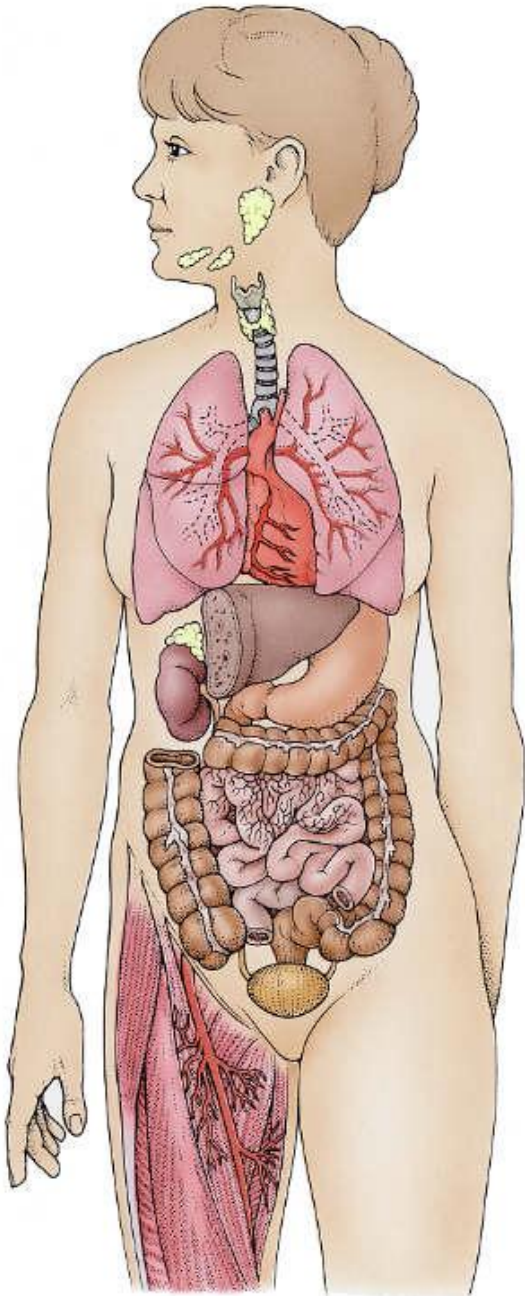
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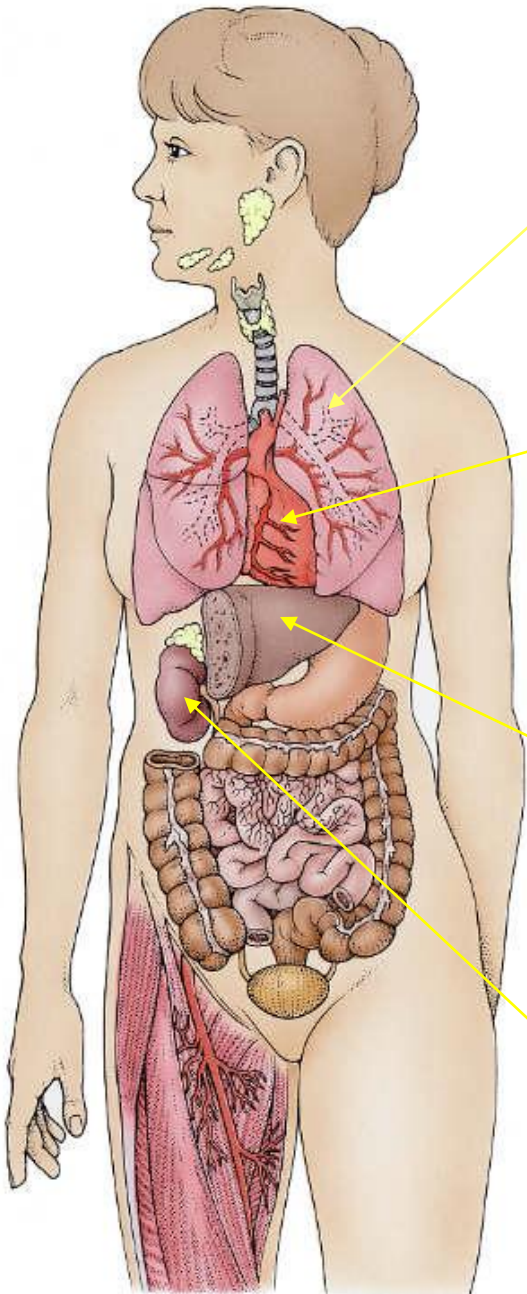
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All Organ Systems Can Be Affected in Severe Sepsis/Septic Shock





Respiratory Dysfunction

Failure of oxygenation
Need for Mechanical Ventilation

Neurologic Dysfunction

Altered mental status
Decreased GCS, delirium, obtundation, coma

Cardiovascular Dysfunction

Hypotension
Arrhythmia
Use of inotropic or vasopressor support
Elevated CVP or PCWP
Changes in heart rate
Cardiac arrest

GI Dysfunction

GI Bleeding
Acalculous cholecystitis
Pancreatitis
Ileus
Intolerance of enteral nutrition
Intestinal ischemia or infarction
Development of GI perforation

Hepatic Dysfunction

Elevated serum aminotransferases
Elevated LDH
Elevated alkaline phosphatase
Jaundice/hyperbilirubinemia
Hypoalbuminemia
Elevated Prothrombin time (PT)

Hematologic Dysfunction

Coagulopathy with high PT, PTT, DIC
Thrombocytopenia
Leukocytosis/leukopenia

Renal Dysfunction

Increased serum creatinine
Decreased urine output
Need for renal replacement therapy

Endocrine Dysfunction

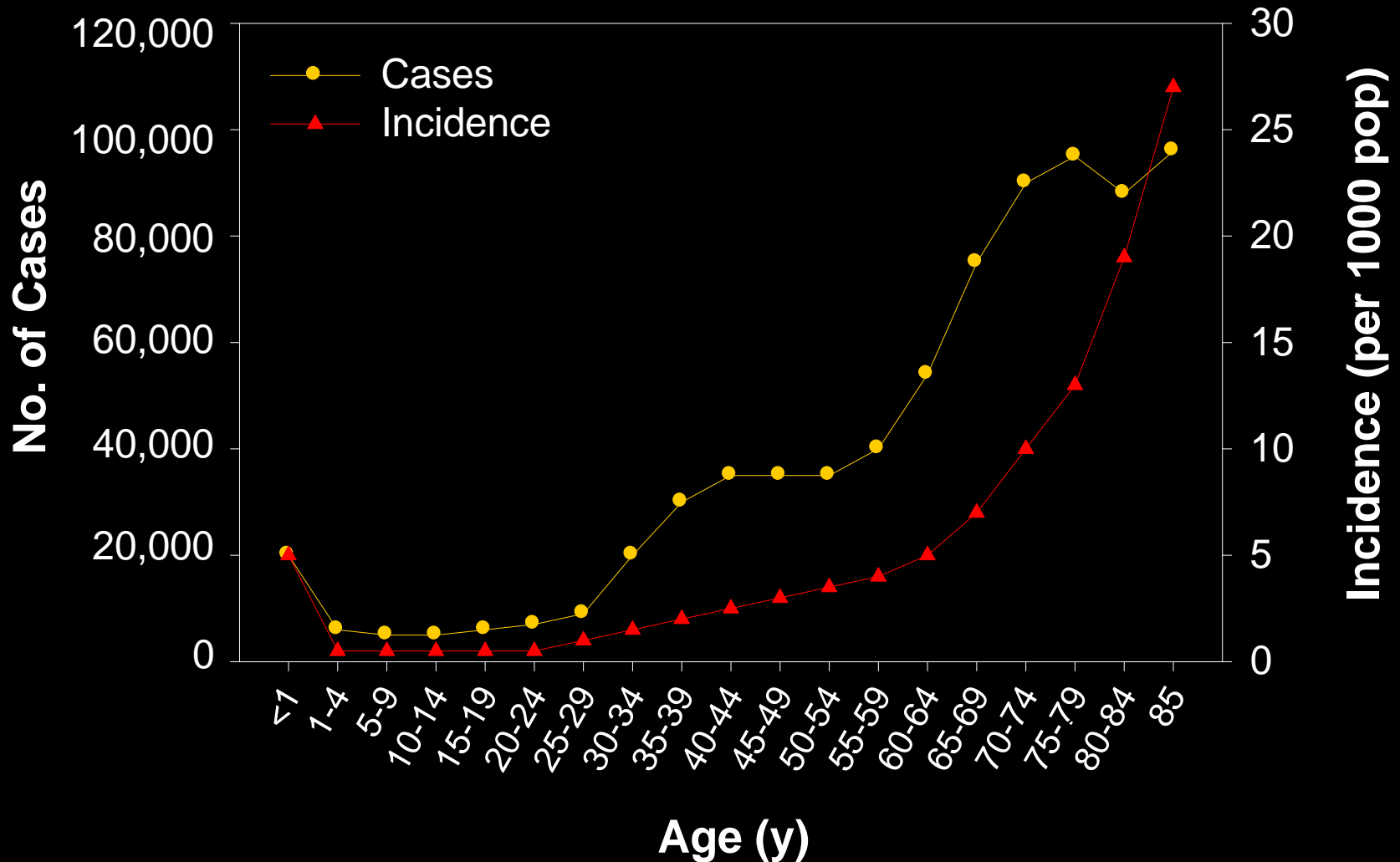
Hyperglycemia (insulin resistance)
Thyroid dysfunction
Hypertriglyceridemia
Hypoalbuminemia
Hypercatabolism
Weight loss

Immune System Dysfunction

Epidemiology of Sepsis

More cases, worse bugs

Age-Specific Number and Incidence of Severe Sepsis in the United States



Increasing Incidence of Sepsis

- **New cases increase by 1.5% per year**
 - More elderly
 - More invasive/diagnostic procedures
 - More immunocompromised patients
 - More immunosuppressive & cytotoxic therapy
 - More microorganism resistance
 - More awareness

Characteristics of Patients with Sepsis from 1979 - 2000

Table 1. Characteristics of Patients with Sepsis, According to Subperiod.*

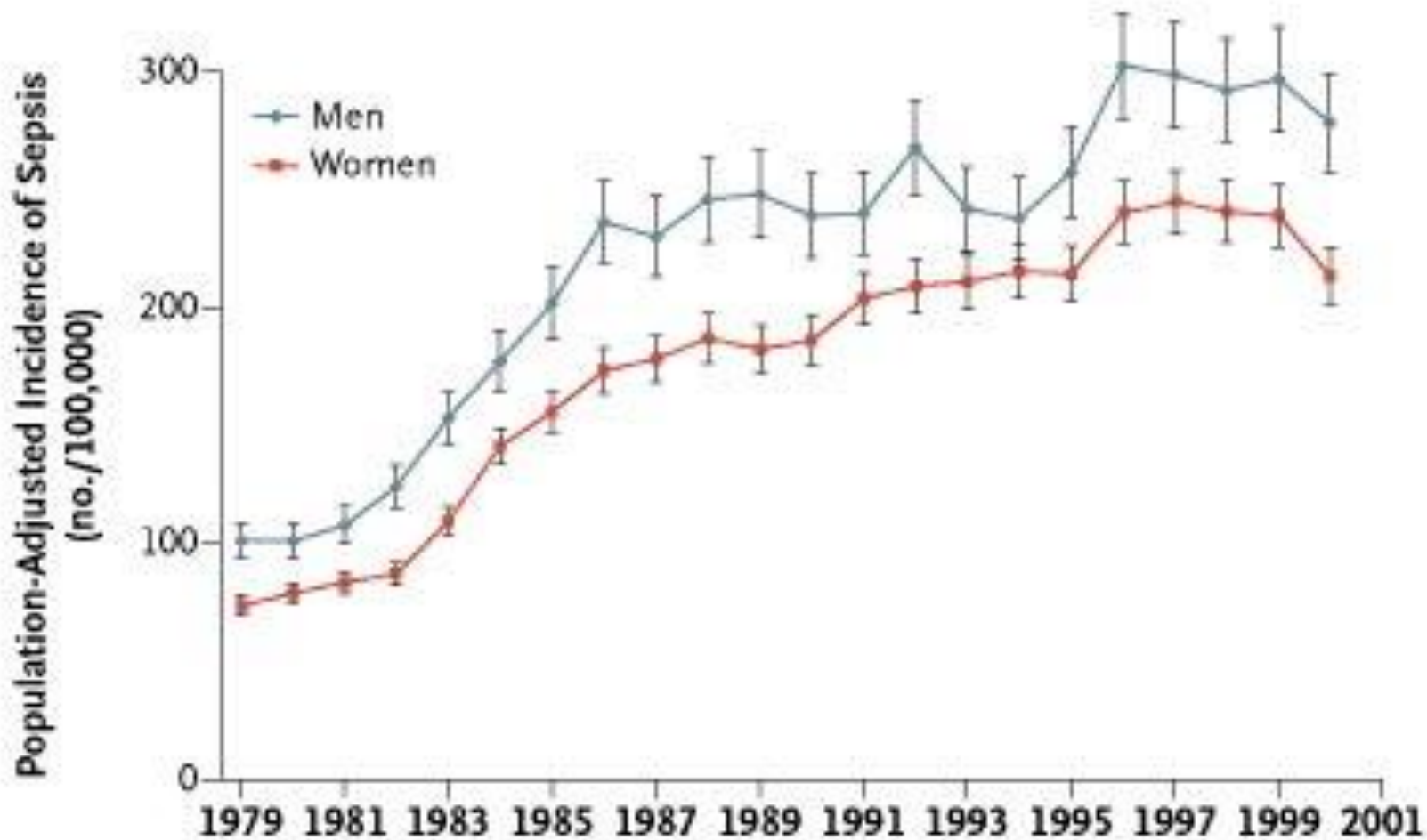
Characteristic	1979–1984 (N=1,332,468)	1985–1989 (N=2,220,659)	1990–1994 (N=2,697,472)	1995–2000 (N=4,068,819)
Demographic characteristics				
Age — yr	57.4±28.9	59.3±22.9	60.8±16.2	60.8±13.7
Male sex — %	49.6	48.9	46.8	48.0
Race — no./100,000 population (% of patients)†				
White	92.1 (81.2)	166.4 (80.3)	167.8 (78.5)	186.3 (76.3)
Black	163.0 (15.2)	301.7 (16.0)	322.8 (17.2)	378.2 (17.7)
Other	187.3 (3.6)	298.0 (3.7)	300.6 (4.3)	370.5 (6.0)
Length of hospital stay — days	17.0±8.5	15.6±6.0	15.3±4.0	11.8±2.6
Coexisting conditions — % of patients				
Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease	5.7	7.3	9.3	12.1
Congestive heart failure	8.6	9.9	13.6	15.2
Cancer	17.1	17.9	18.0	14.5
HIV infection‡	—	1.0	2.1	2.0
Cirrhosis	2.4	2.5	2.2	2.3
Diabetes	12.2	14.5	16.9	18.7
Hypertension	7.0	9.2	13.6	18.6
Pregnancy	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.3
No. of organs with failure — % of patients				
0	83.2	78.1	74.0	66.4
1	13.6	17.9	20.1	24.6
2	2.7	3.5	4.8	7.1
≥3	0.5	0.5	1.1	1.9

Martin, G. et al. N Engl J Med 2003;348:1546-1554

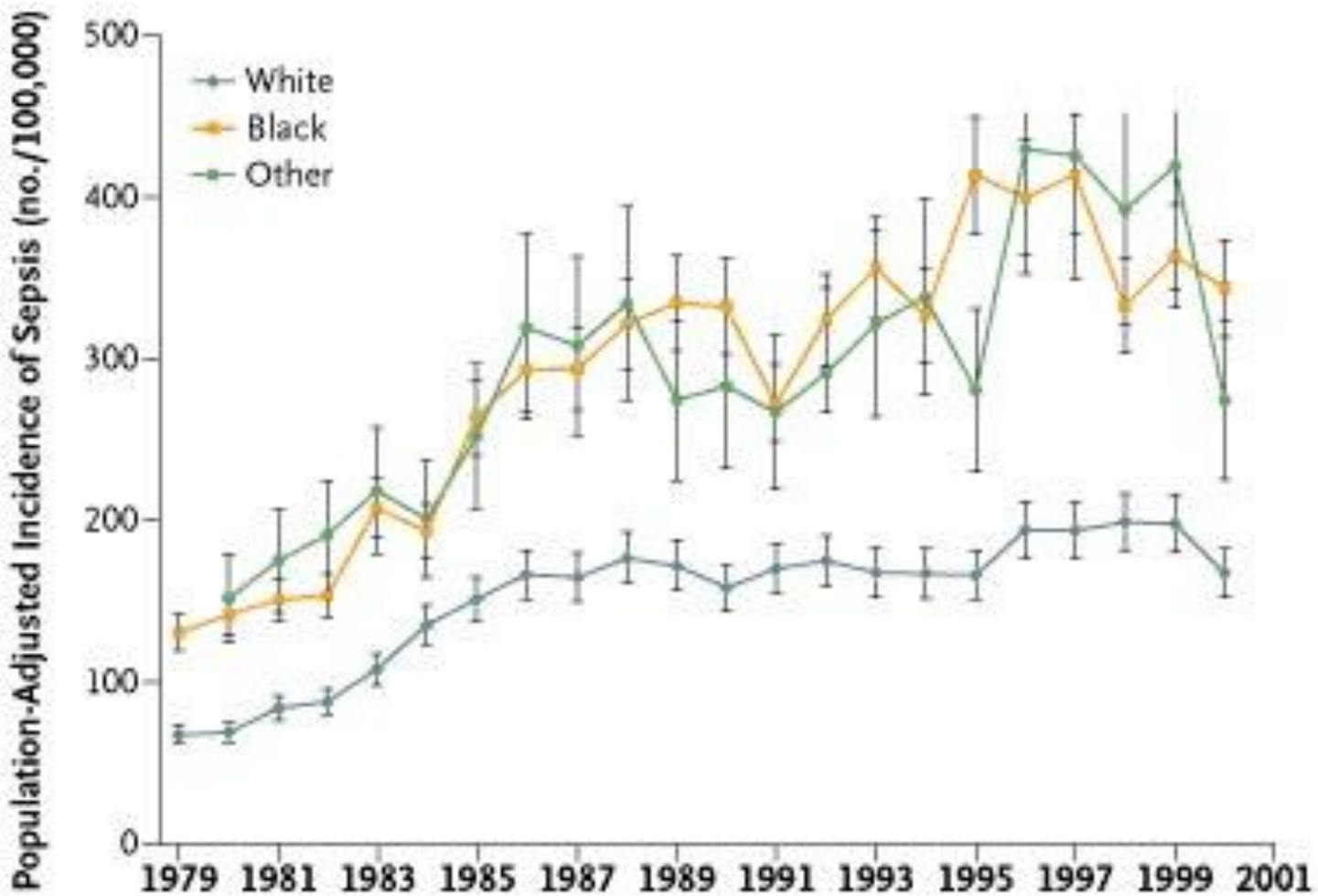


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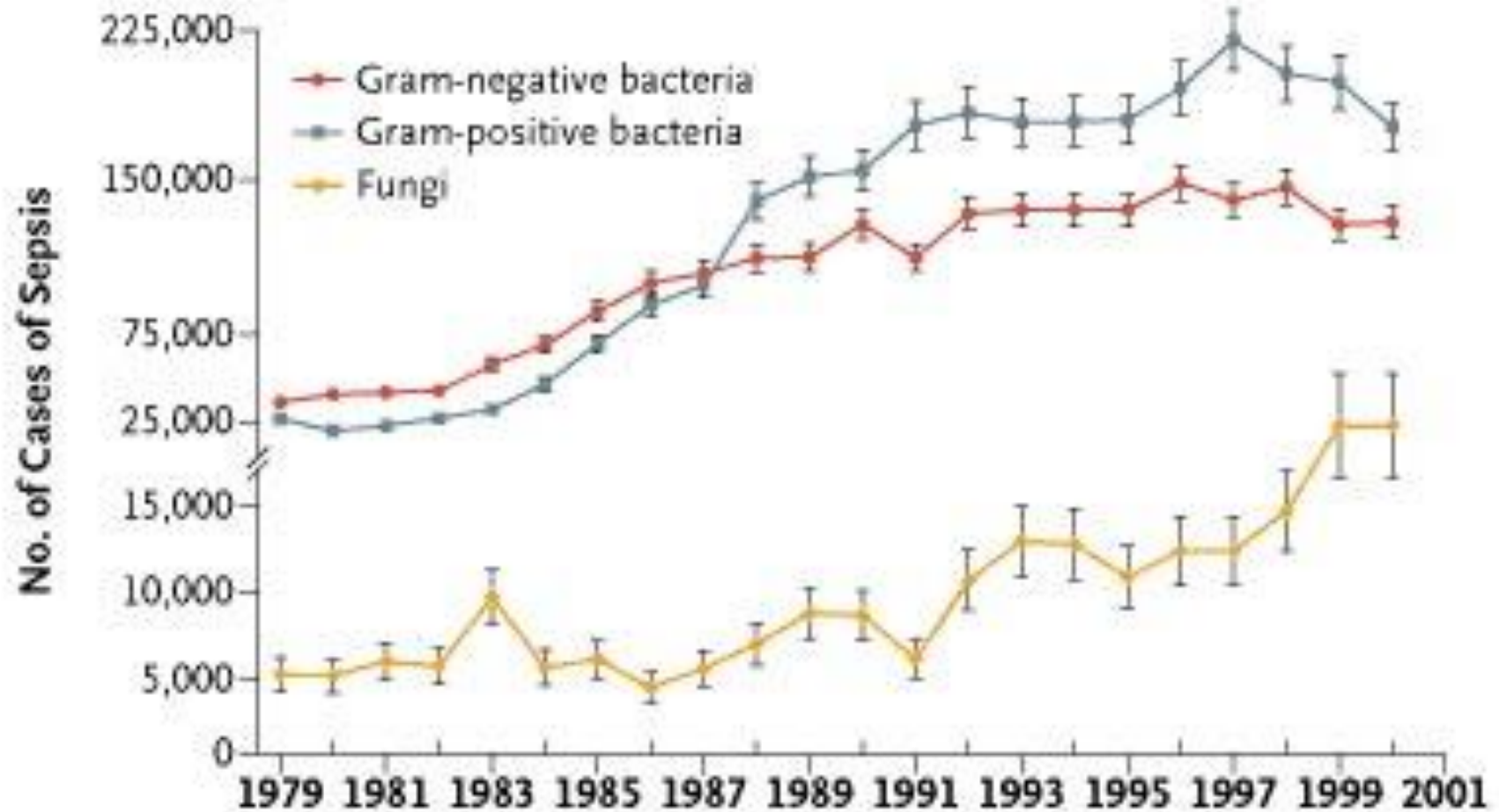
Population-Adjusted Incidence of Sepsis, According to Sex, 1979-2000



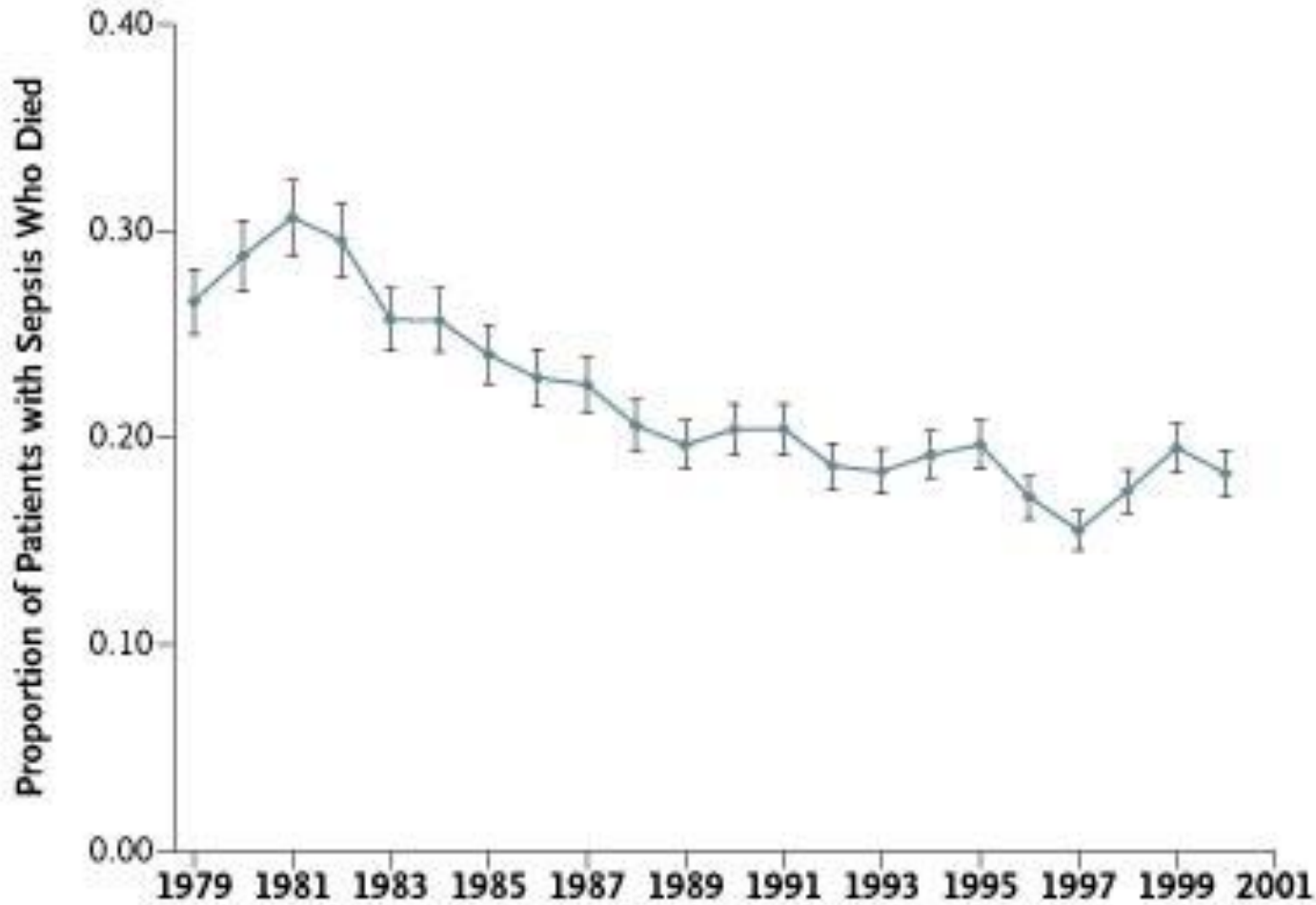
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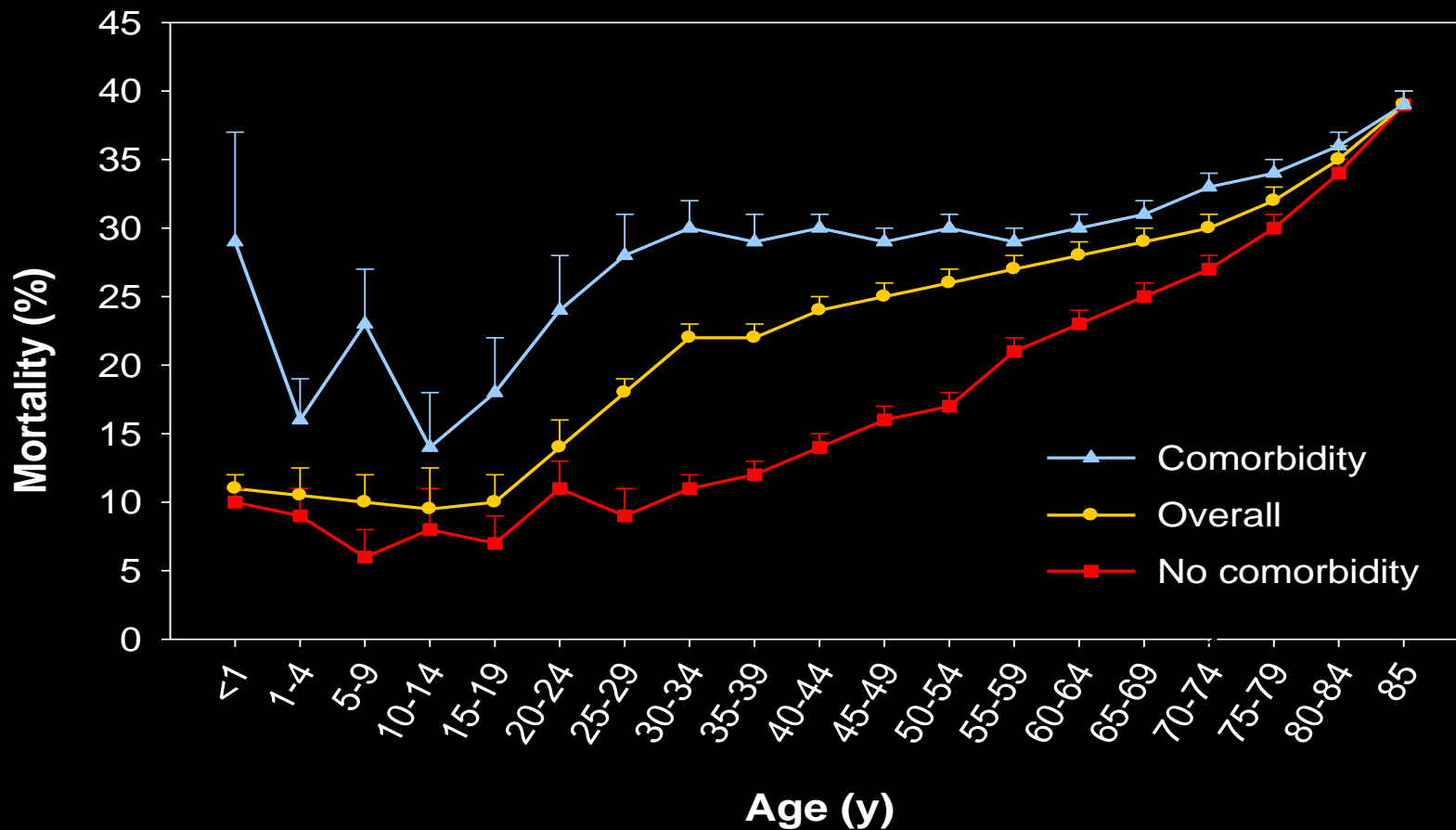
Numbers of Cases of Sepsis in the United States, According to the Causative Organism, 1979-2000



Overall In-Hospital Mortality Rate among Patients Hospitalized for Sepsis, 1979-2000



Age-Specific Mortality for Severe Sepsis in the United States



Fluid Management in Sepsis

A drop in the bucket



This is NOT a Good Idea

Excessive

Fluids

Fluids

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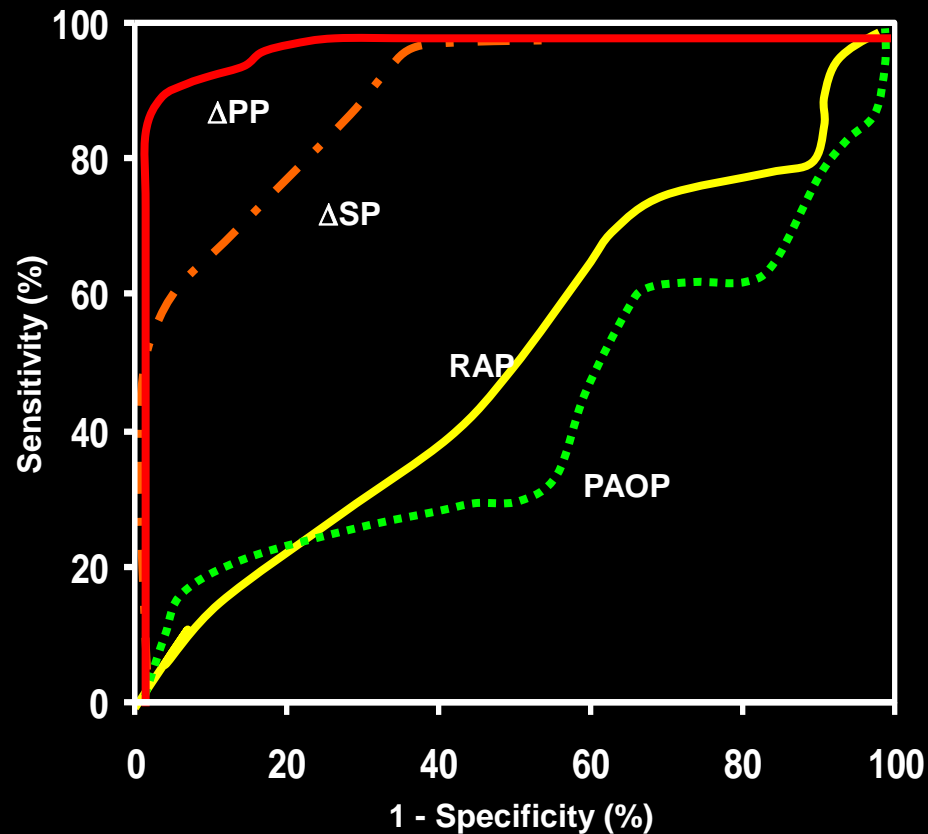


Positive Fluid Balance

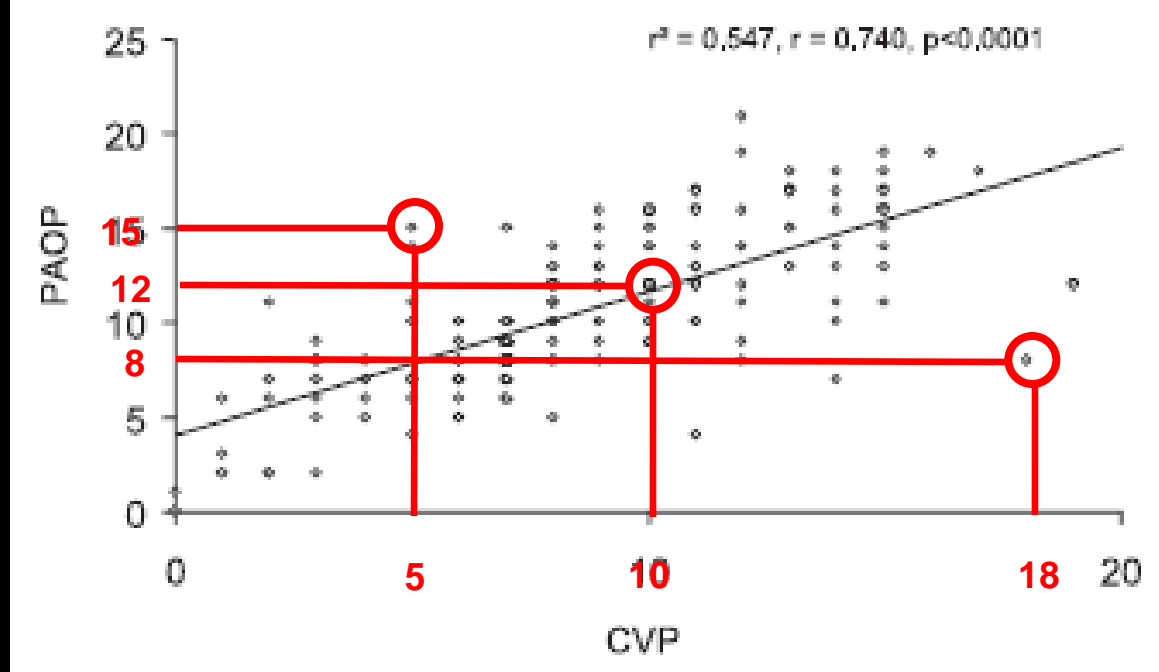
One of the strongest predictors
of death



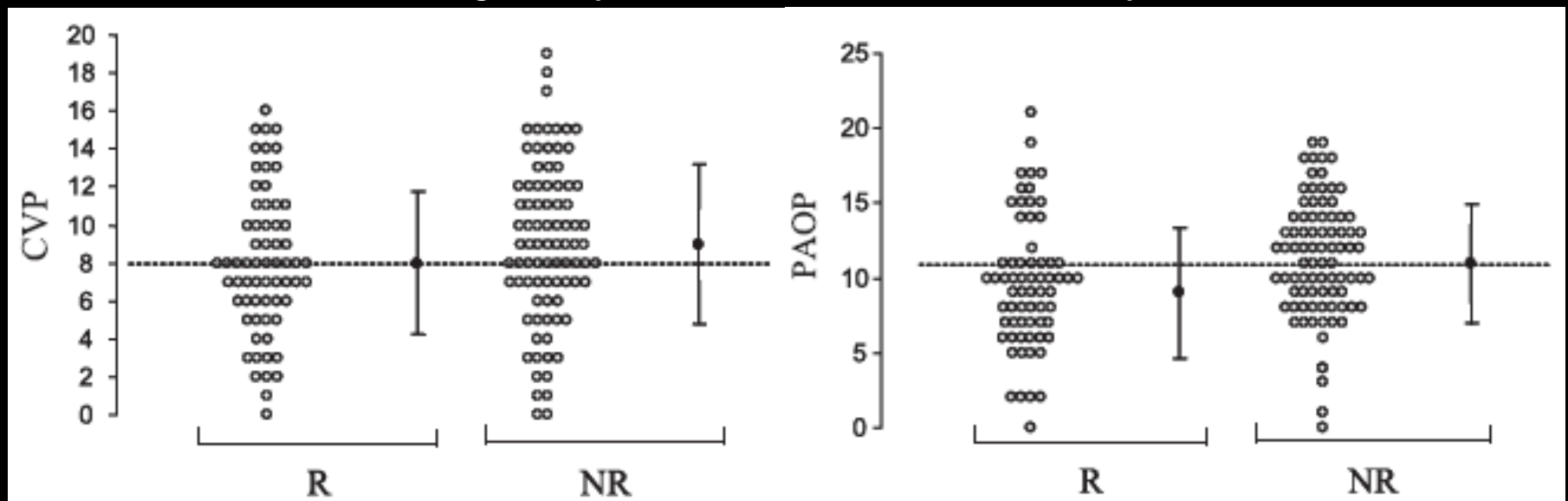
Comparing Methods of Determining Fluid Responsiveness



ROC curves comparing ΔP_p , ΔP_s , RAP, and PAOP to discriminate responders (CI increase $\geq 15\%$) and non-responders to volume expansion

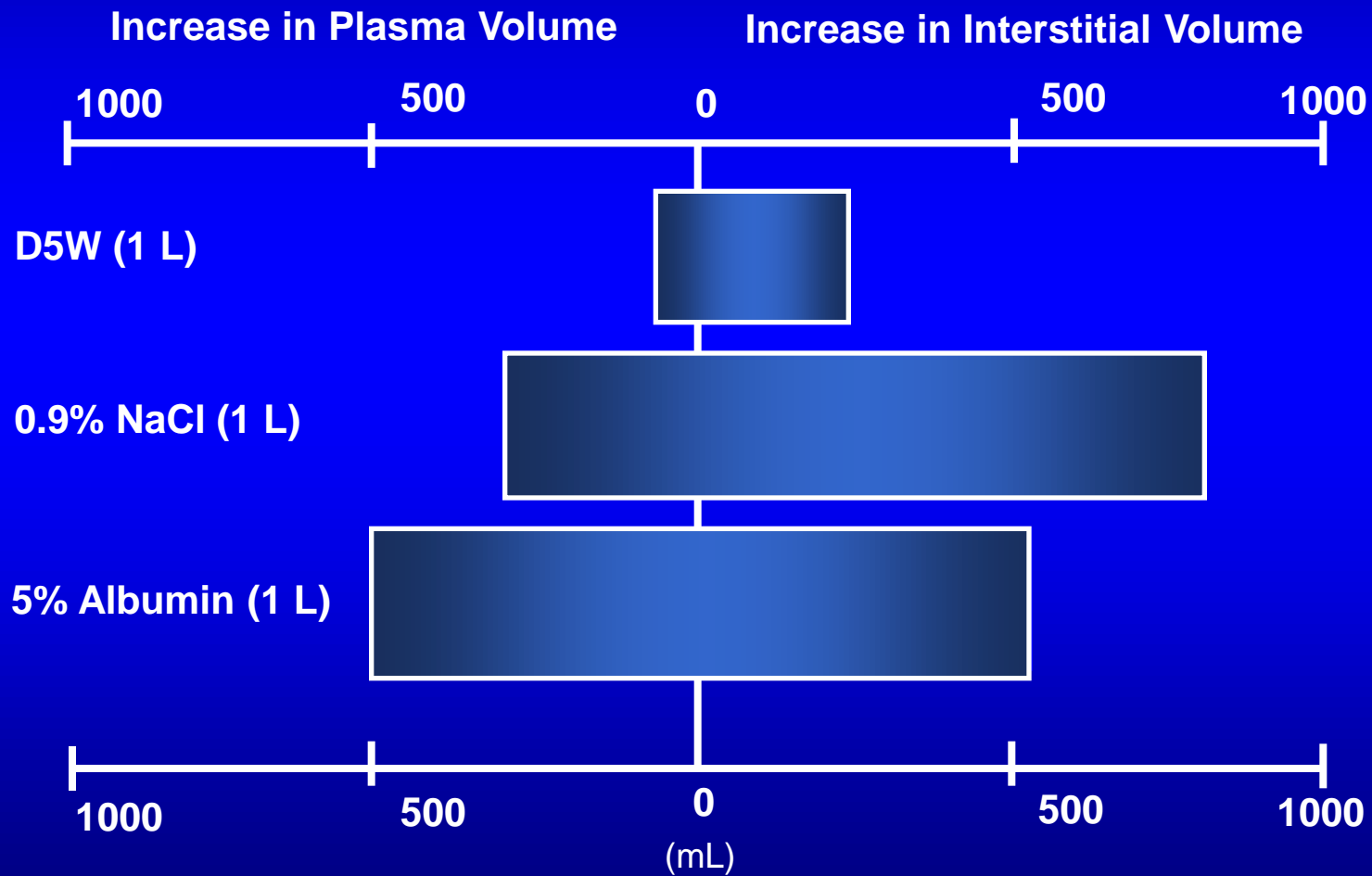


Relationship between CVP and PAOP before fluid loading in the overall population reveals a large overlap. Linear correlation $r^2 = 0.547, r = 0.740, p < 0.0001$

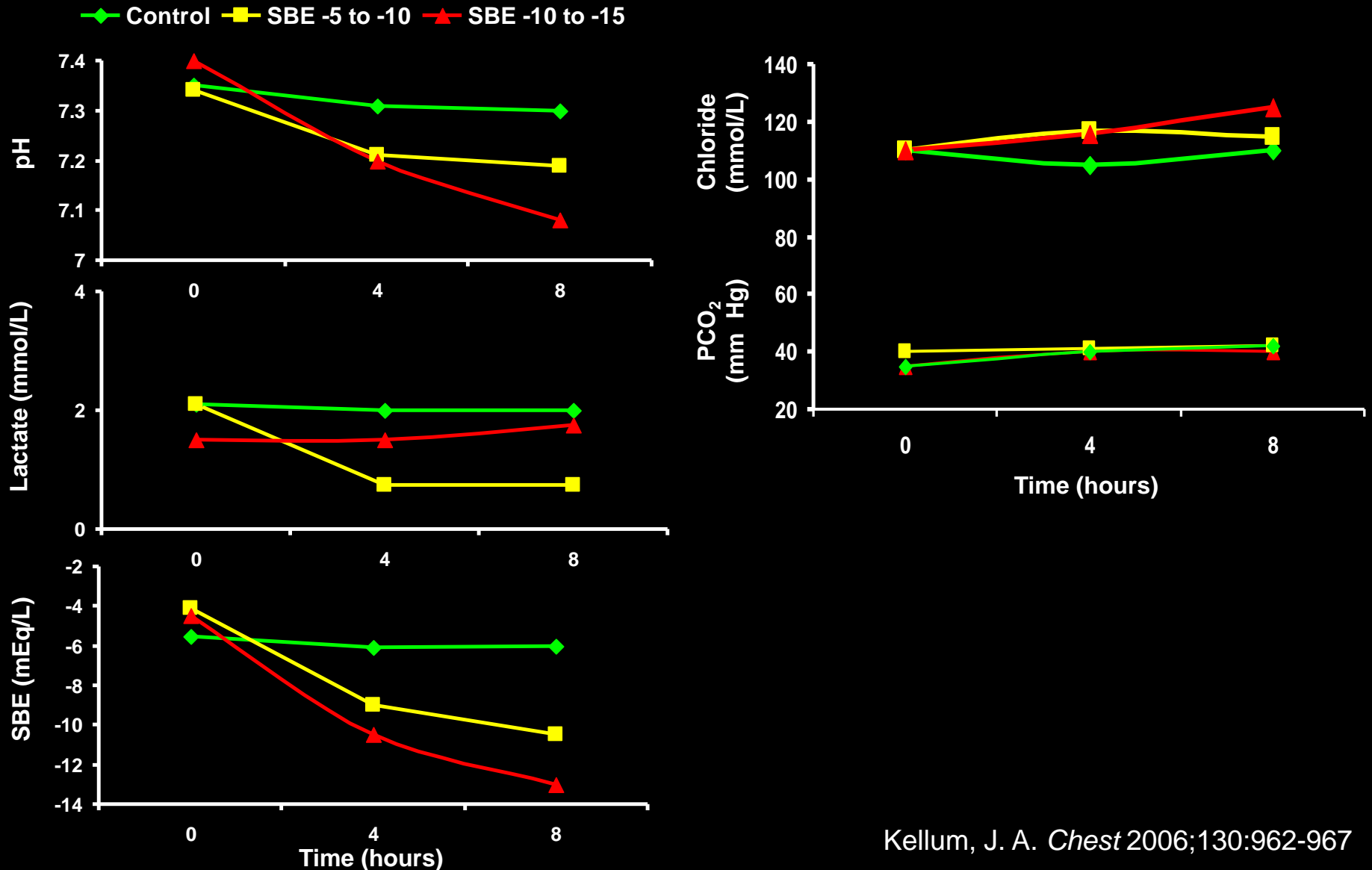


Individual values (open circles) and mean values \pm SD (closed circles) of pre-infusion CVP and PAOP in responders (R) and nonresponders (NR)

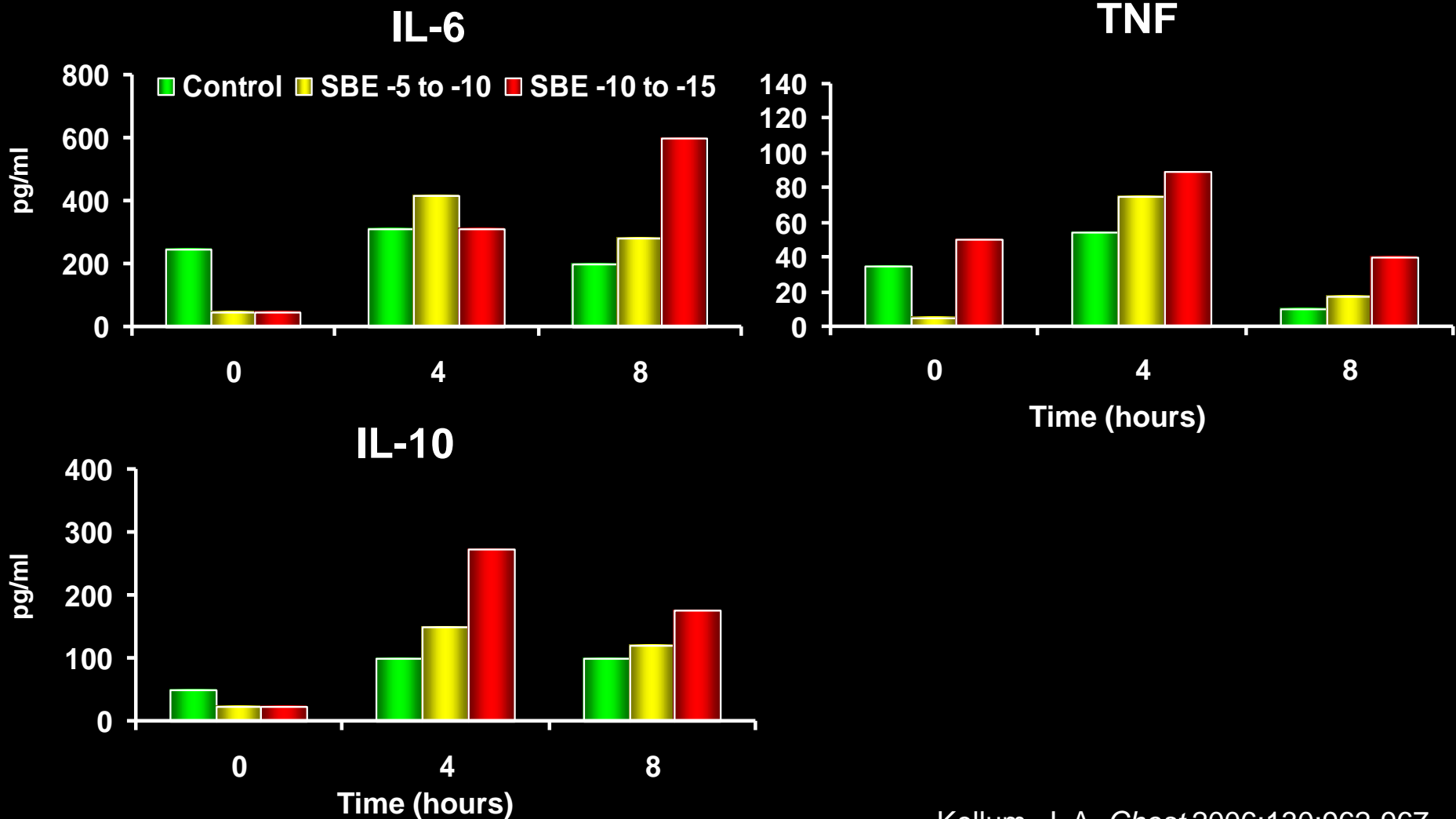
Influence of Colloid and Crystalloid Fluids on Volume



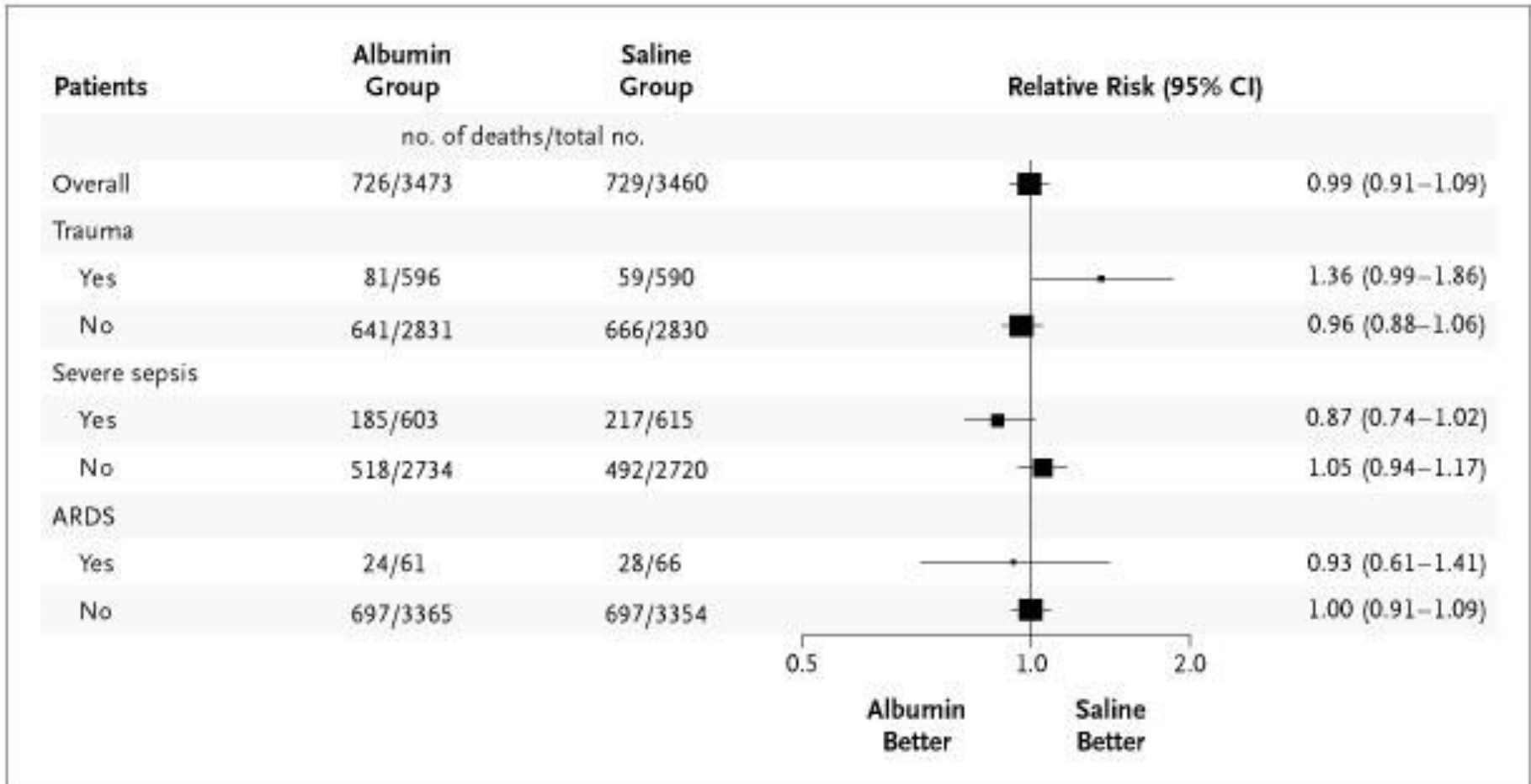
Hyperchloremic Acidosis is Associated with Increased Serum Cytokine Levels



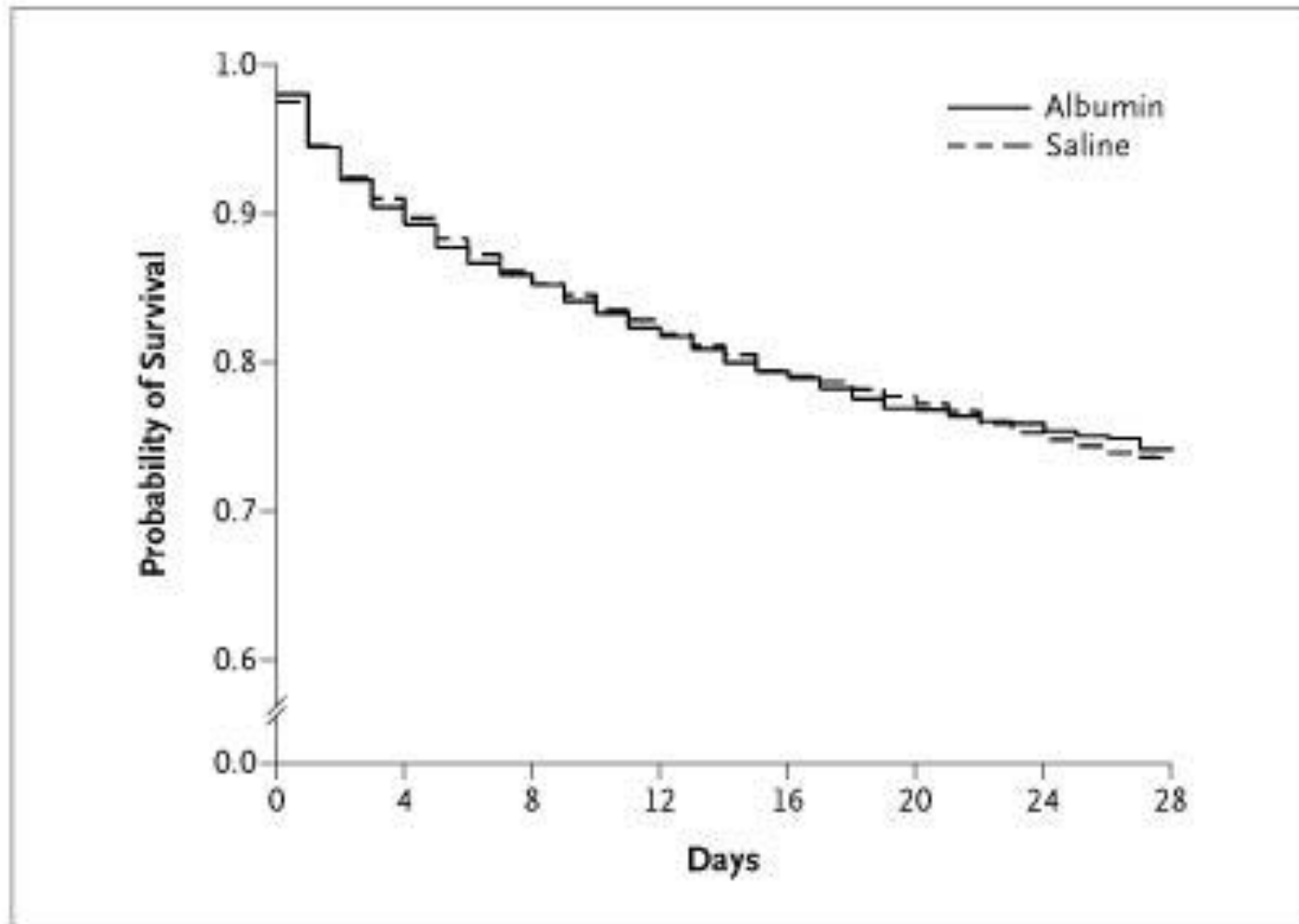
Hyperchloremic Acidosis induces changes in plasma IL-6, IL-10, and TNF



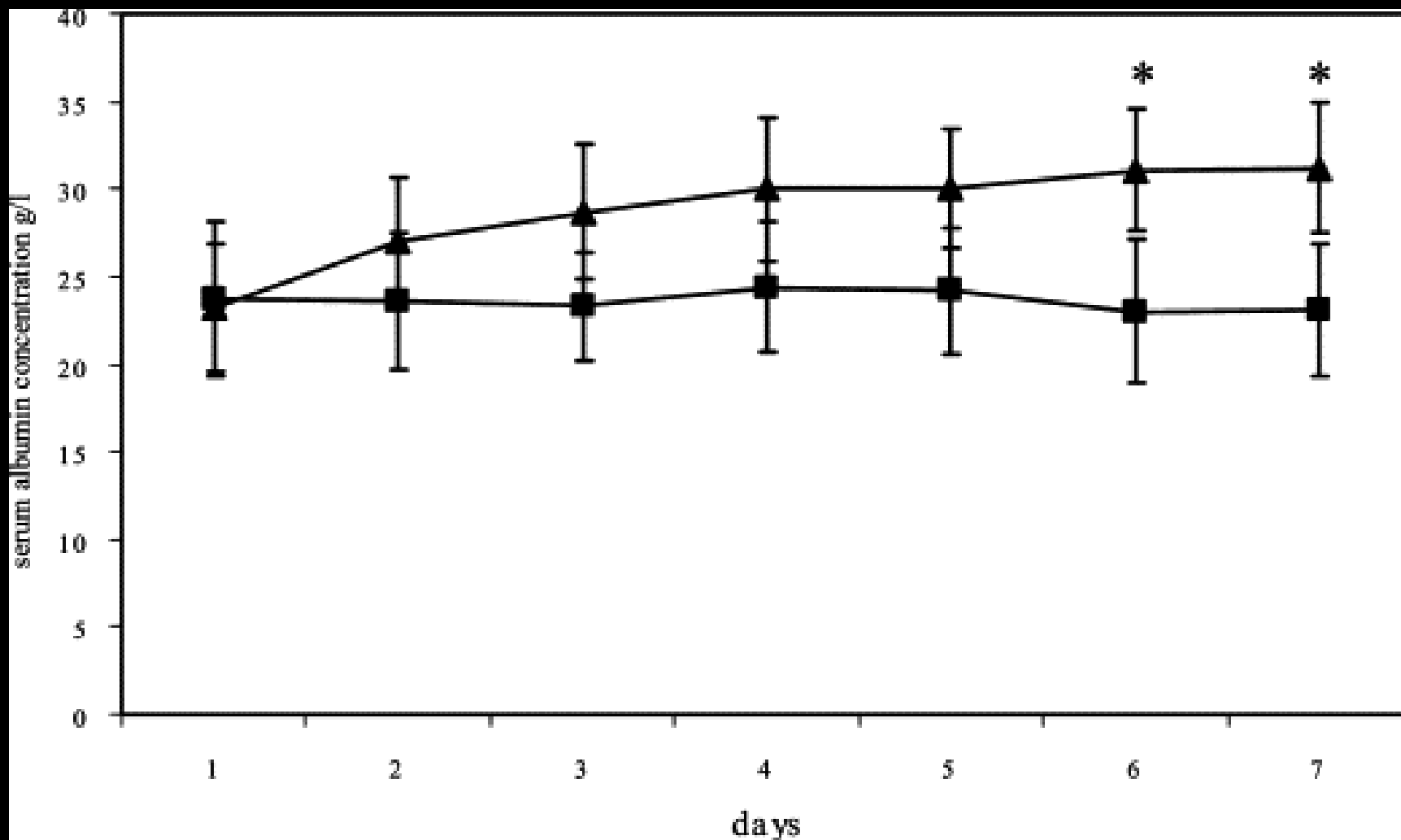
SAFE Study: Colloid vs. Crystalloid



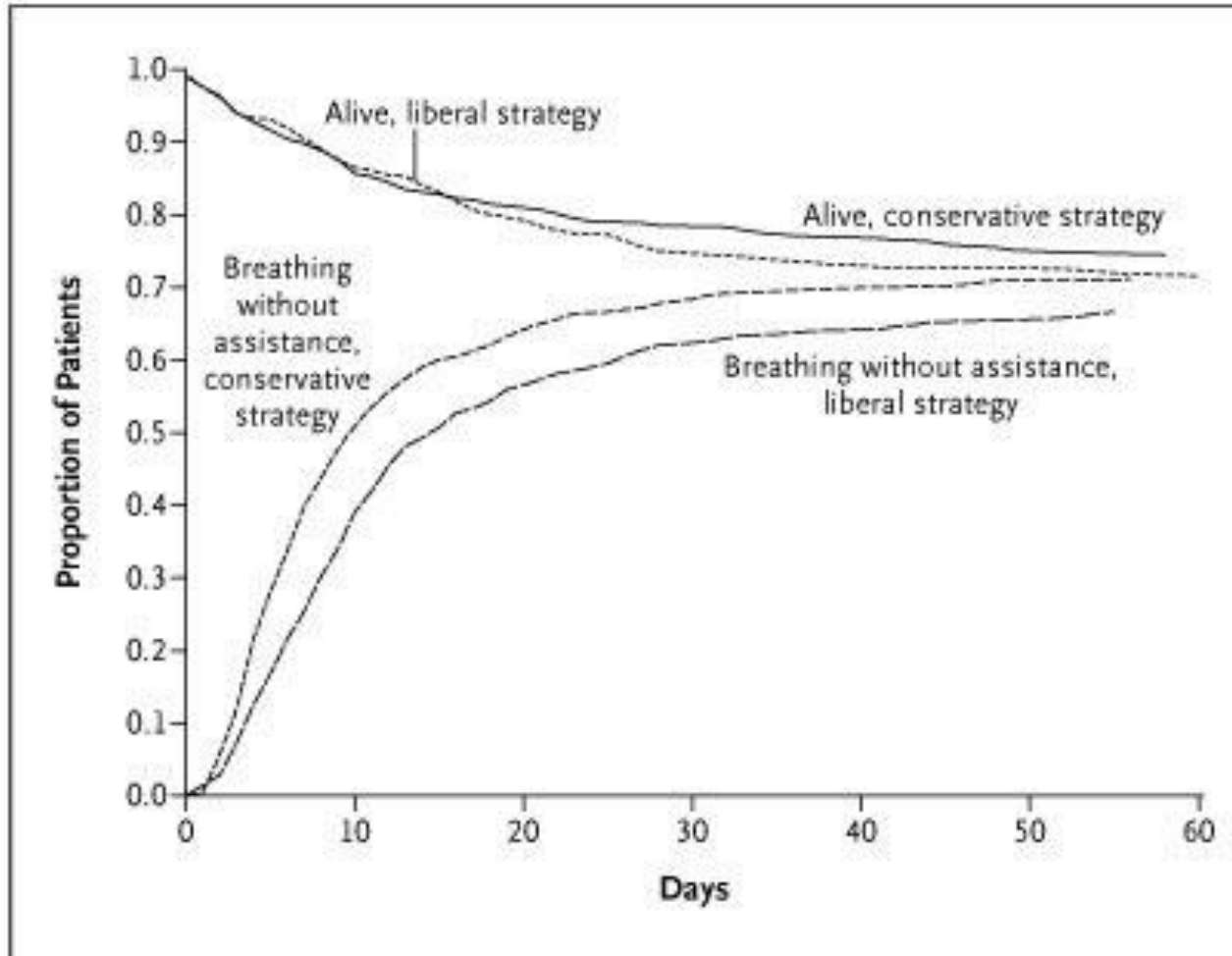
Kaplan-Meier Estimates of the Probability of Survival



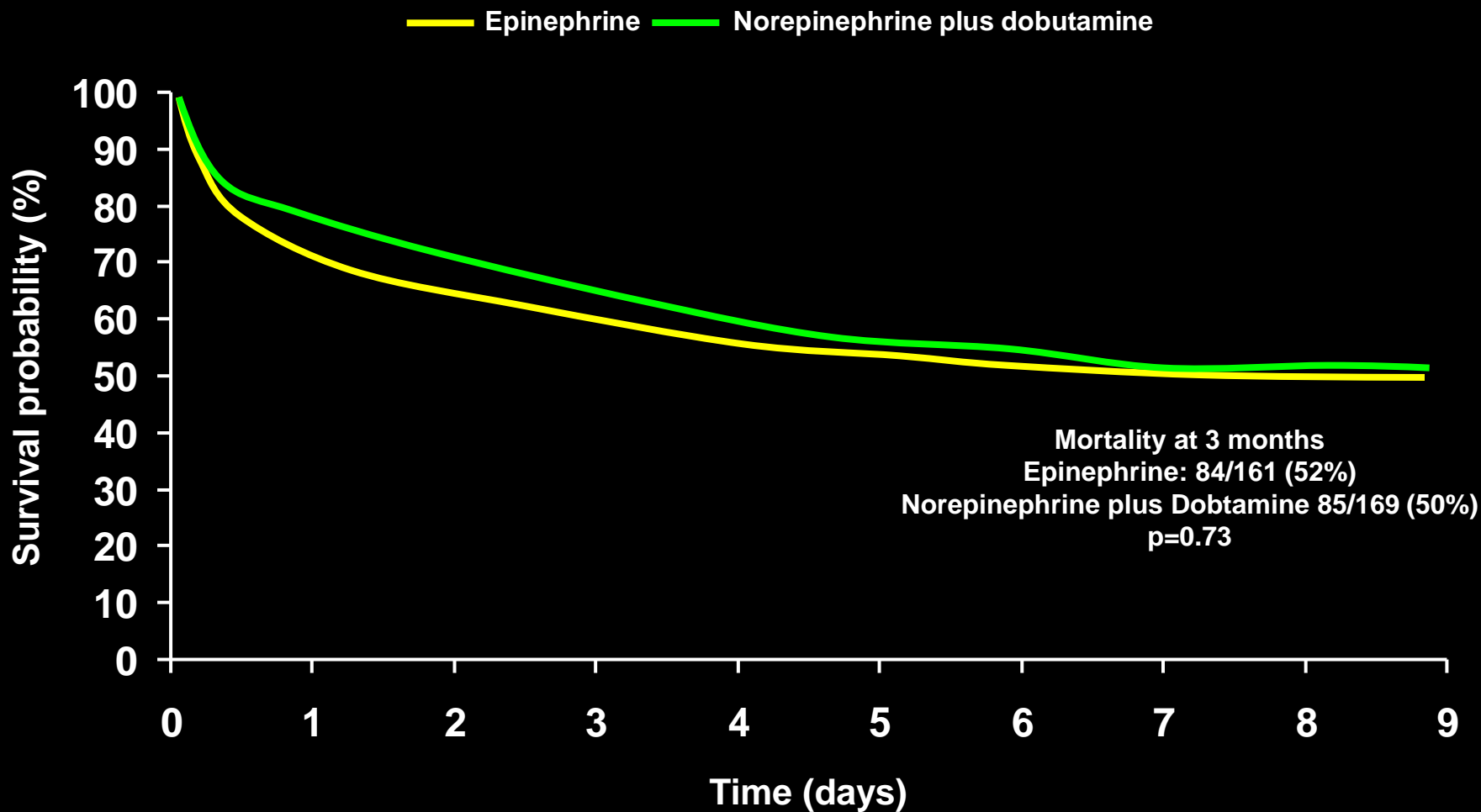
Albumin administration improves organ function in critically ill hypoalbuminemic patients



Mortality in ARDS with Liberal or Conservative Fluid Management



Norepinephrine plus Dobutamine versus Epinephrine for Management of Septic Shock



Surviving Sepsis

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What works?

Results of Positive RCTs

Table 2. Results of Positive Randomized, Controlled Trials.*

Group	Study	No. of Patients	Intervention Group	Control Group	Mortality Rate†		NNT‡	Level of Evidence
					Intervention Group	Control Group		
					%			
Patients with acute lung injury and ARDS§	ARDS Clinical Trials Network ¹	861	Low tidal volume (6 ml/kg of ideal body weight)	High tidal volume (12 ml/kg of ideal body weight)	31	40	11	I
Patients with severe sepsis and septic shock	Rivers et al. ²	263	Early, goal-directed therapy	Usual therapy	33	49	6	I
Patients with severe sepsis and septic shock	Bernard et al. ⁵	1690	Activated protein C	Placebo	25	31	16	I
Patients with severe sepsis and septic shock, at increased risk for death¶	Bernard et al. ⁵	817	Activated protein C	Placebo	31	44	7.7	I
Patients in septic shock	Annane et al. ²⁸	299	Hydrocortisone + fludrocortisone	Placebo	55	61	NA	I–II
Patients in septic shock**	Annane et al. ²⁸	229	Hydrocortisone + fludrocortisone	Placebo	53	63	10	I–II
Critically ill surgical patients	Van den Berghe et al. ³¹	1548	Intensive insulin (to maintain glucose level of 4.4–6.1 mmol/liter)	Usual insulin (to maintain glucose level of 10–11.1 mmol/liter)	4.6	8	29	I
Patients in medical ICU††	Van den Berghe et al. ³⁰	1200	Intensive insulin (to maintain glucose level of 4.4–6.1 mmol/liter)	Usual insulin (to maintain glucose level of 10–11.1 mmol/liter)	37	40	NA	I



EARLY GOAL-DIRECTED THERAPY IN THE TREATMENT OF SEVERE SEPSIS AND SEPTIC SHOCK

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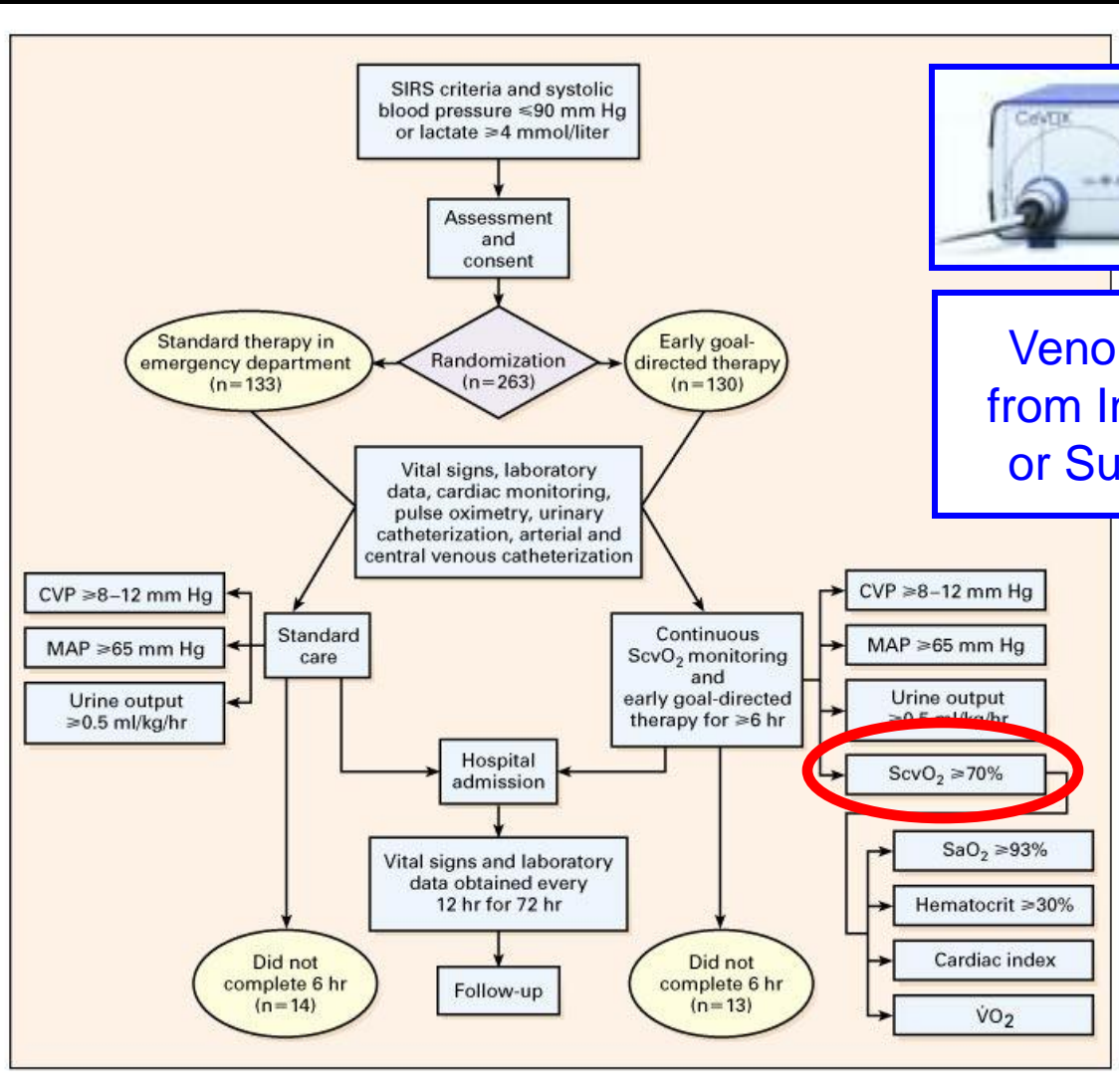
Treatment goal:
Optimize Oxygen Delivery (DO_2)

$$DO_2 = CO \times C_aO_2$$

$$CO = SV \times HR \text{ (or } MAP \div SVR)$$

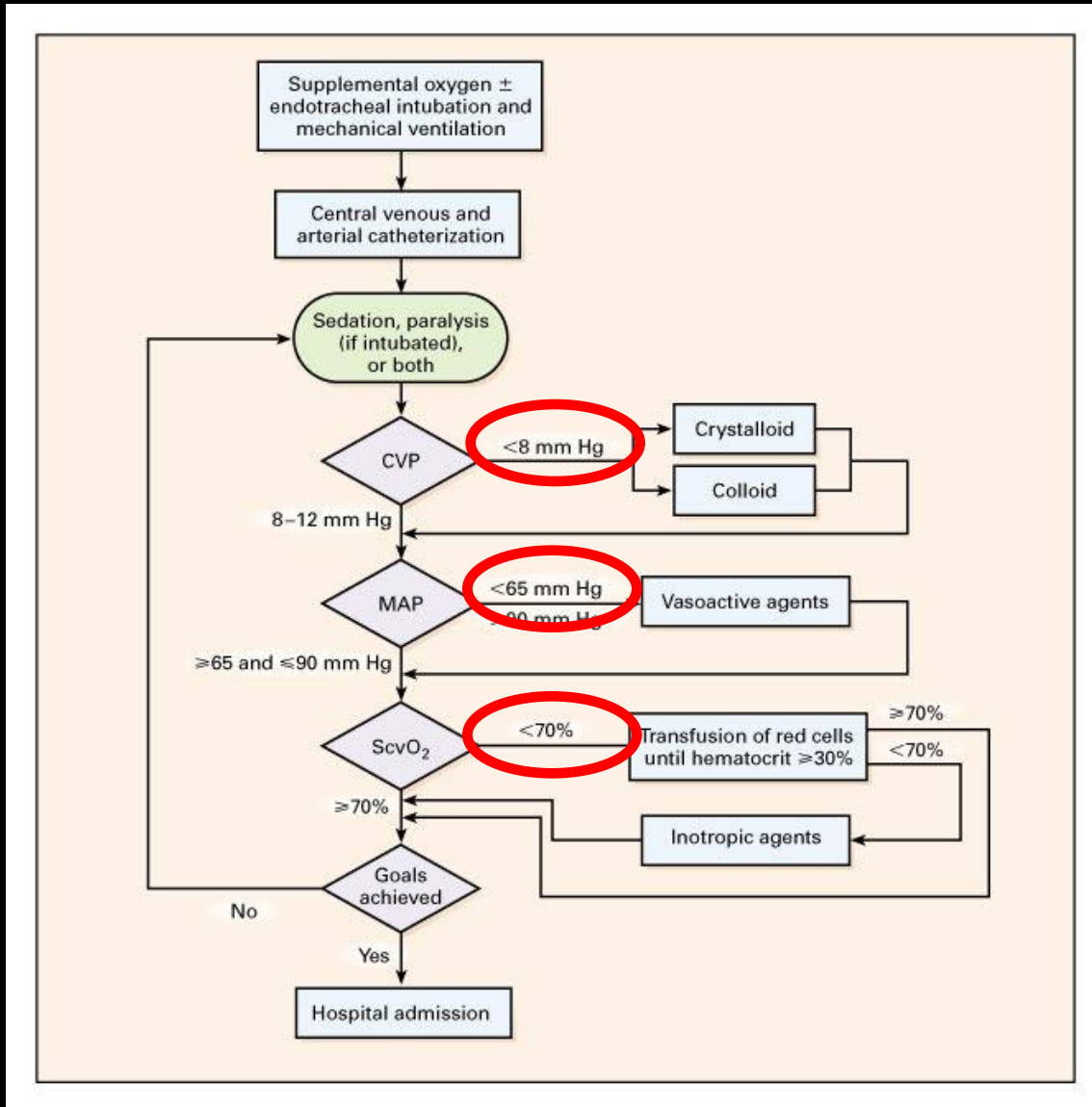
$$CaO_2 = Hb \times 1.34 \times S_aO_2$$

Early Goal Directed Therapy (EGDT) in Severe Sepsis and Septic Shock



Venous Blood Gas from Internal Jugular or Subclavian Vein

Protocol for EGDT in Severe Sepsis and Septic Shock



Mortality and Causes of In-Hospital Death

TABLE 3. KAPLAN–MEIER ESTIMATES OF MORTALITY AND CAUSES OF IN-HOSPITAL DEATH.*

VARIABLE	STANDARD THERAPY (N=133)	EARLY GOAL-DIRECTED THERAPY (N=130)	RELATIVE RISK (95% CI)	P VALUE
	no. (%)			
In-hospital mortality†				
All patients	59 (46.5)	38 (30.5)	0.58 (0.38–0.87)	0.009
Patients with severe sepsis	19 (30.0)	9 (14.9)	0.46 (0.21–1.03)	0.06
Patients with septic shock	40 (56.8)	29 (42.3)	0.60 (0.36–0.98)	0.04
Patients with sepsis syndrome	44 (55.5)	35 (35.1)	0.66 (0.42–1.04)	0.07
28-Day mortality†	59 (46.5)	38 (33.3)	0.58 (0.39–0.87)	0.01
60-Day mortality†	70 (66.2)	40 (44.3)	0.67 (0.46–0.96)	0.03
Causes of in-hospital death‡				
Sudden cardiovascular collapse	25/119 (21.0)	12/117 (10.3)	—	0.02
Multiorgan failure	26/119 (21.8)	19/117 (16.2)	—	0.27

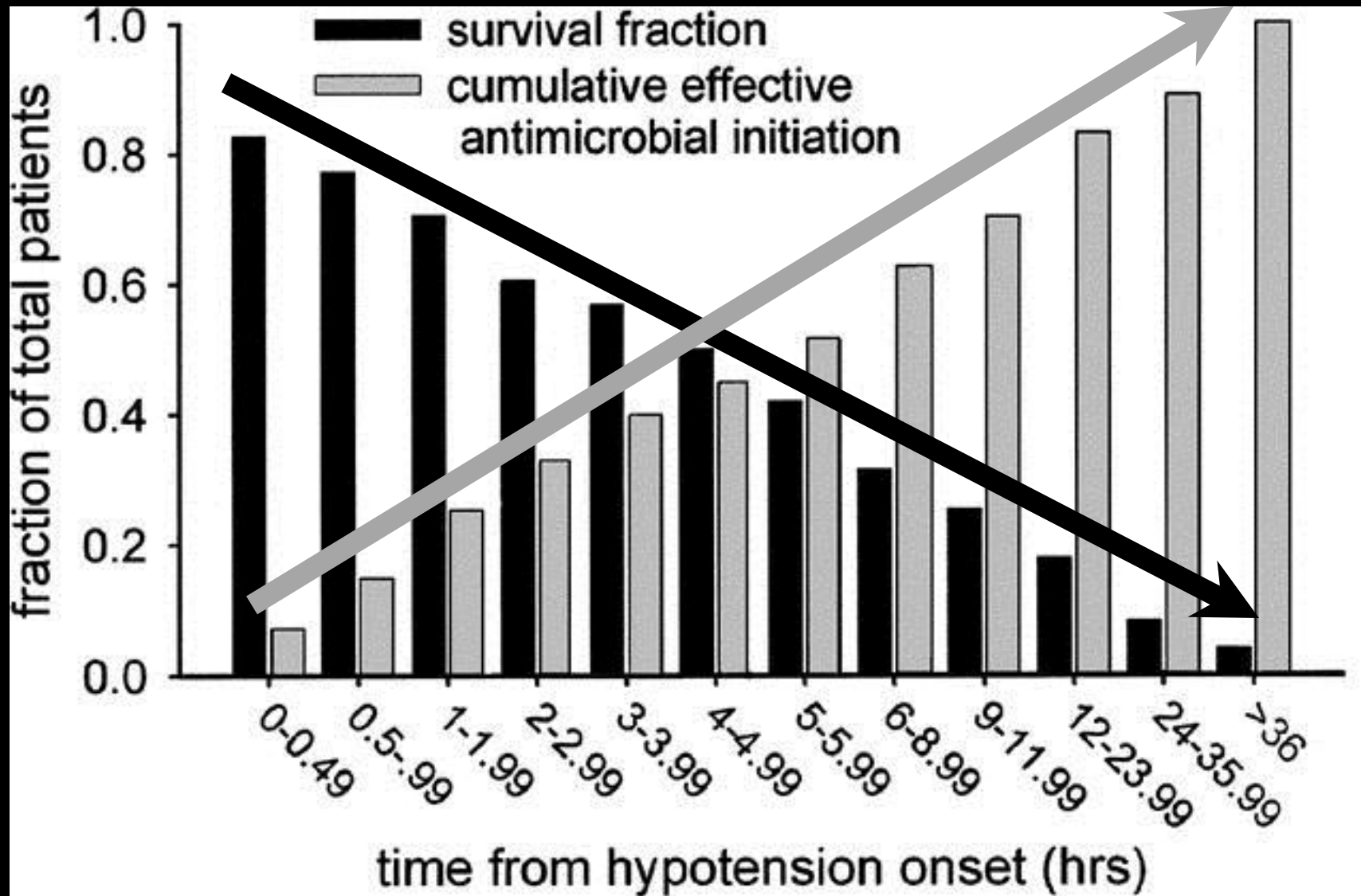
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Absolute Risk Reduction

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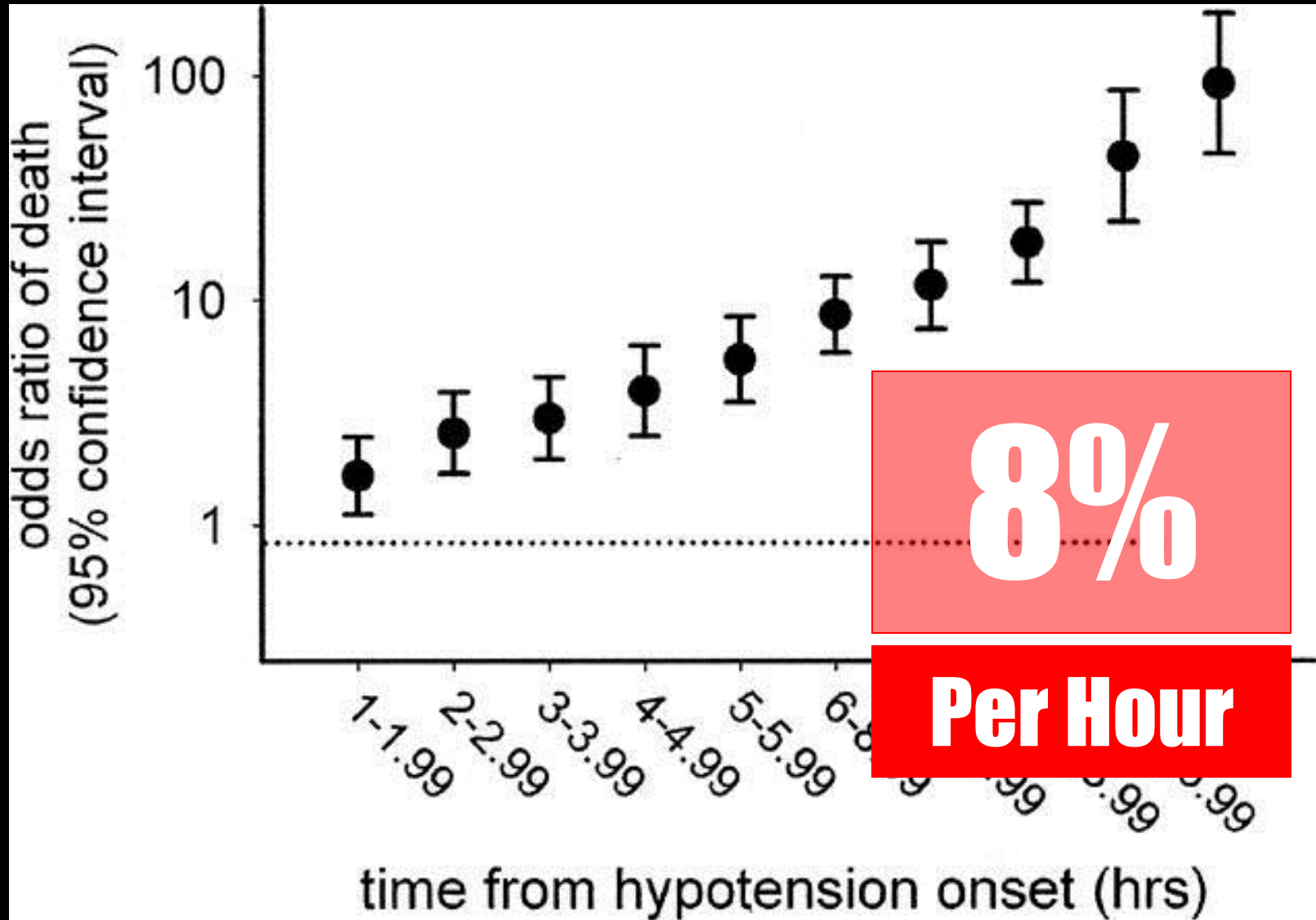
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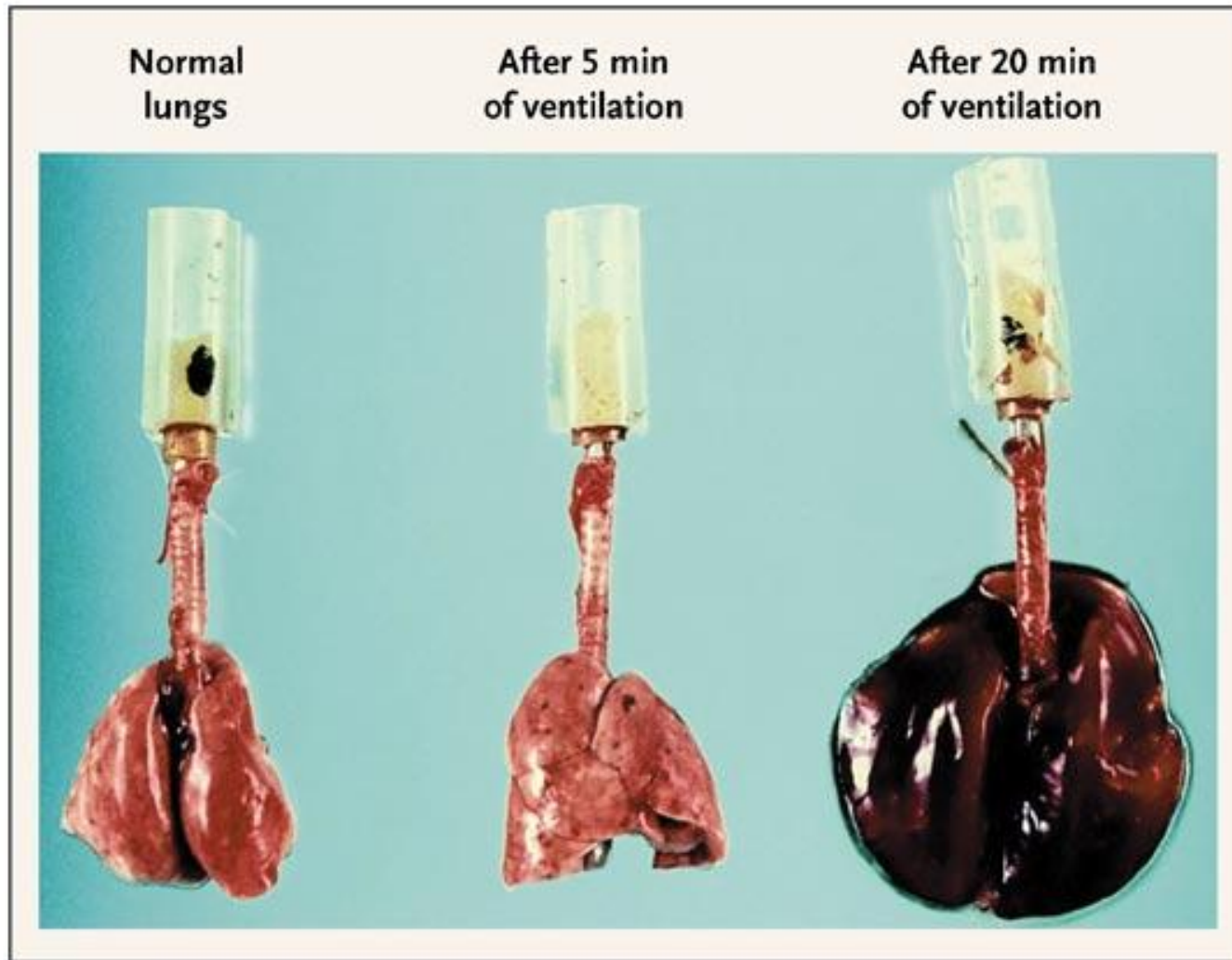
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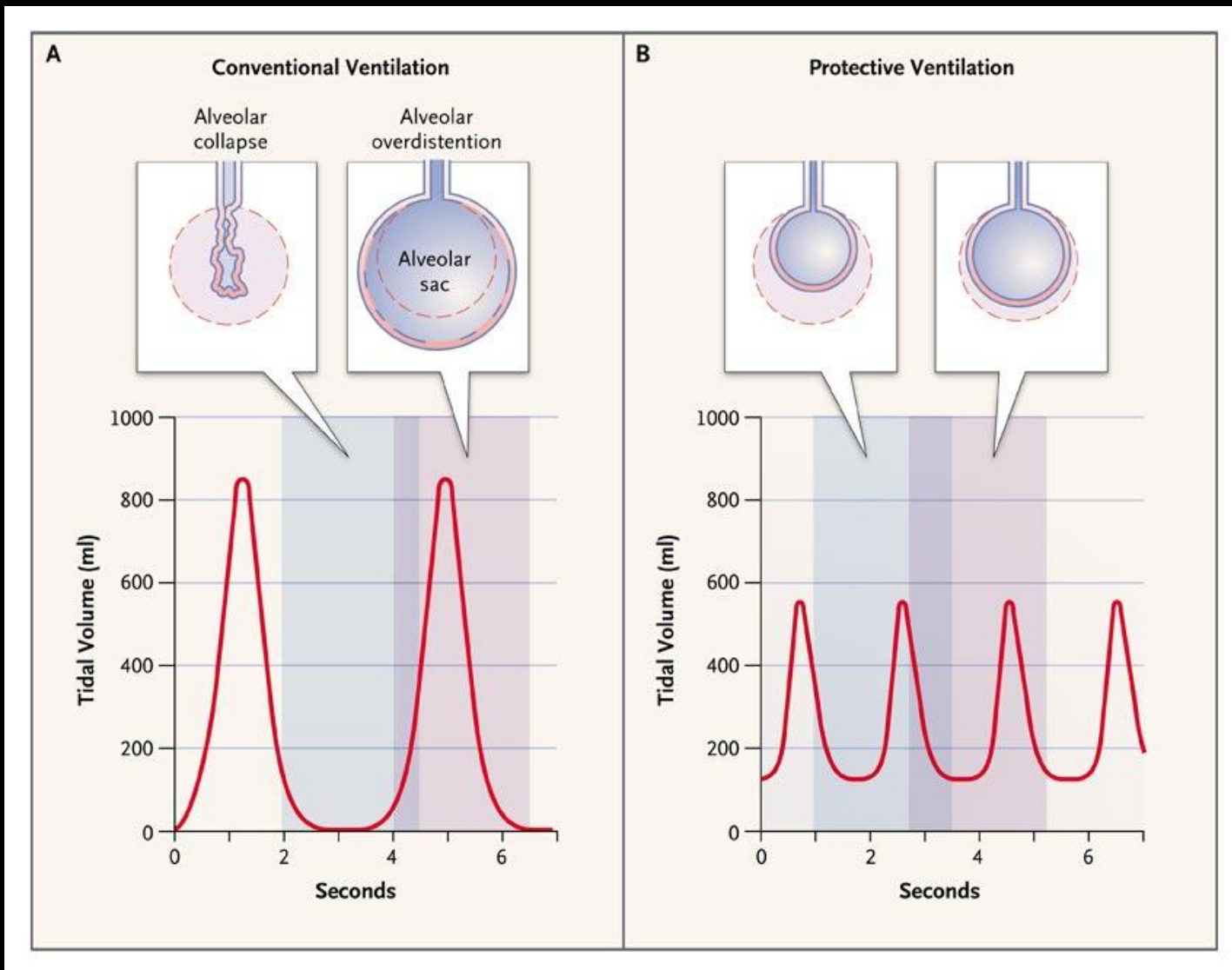
Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome (ARDS)

**Low Tidal Volumes
Corticosteroids**

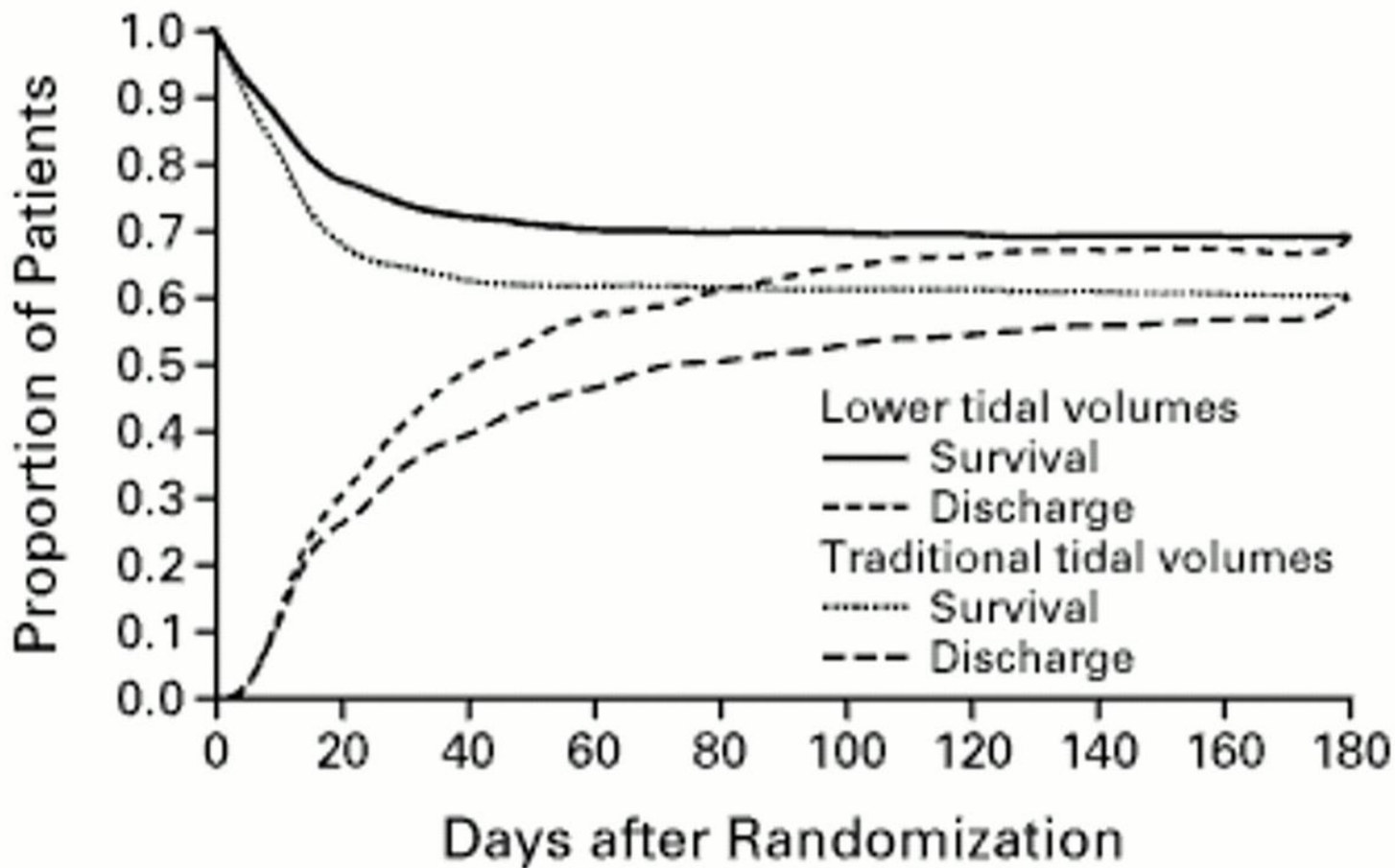
Lung Injury Induced by High-Pressure Mechanical Ventilation (Peak Airway Pressure of 45 cm H₂O)



Conventional Ventilation (12 cc/kg of IBW) vs. Protective Lung Ventilation (6 cc/kg of IBW)



Lung Protective Strategy Improves Survival and Probability of Being Discharged Home and Breathing without Assistance



Main Outcome Variables

TABLE 4. MAIN OUTCOME VARIABLES.*

VARIABLE	GROUP RECEIVING LOWER TIDAL VOLUMES	GROUP RECEIVING TRADITIONAL TIDAL VOLUMES	P VALUE
Death before discharge home and breathing without assistance (%)	31.0	39.8	0.007
Breathing without assistance by day 28 (%)			<0.001
No. of ventilator-free days, days 1 to 28			0.007
Barotrauma, days 1 to 28 (%)			0.43
No. of days without failure of nonpulmonary organs or systems, days 1 to 28			0.006

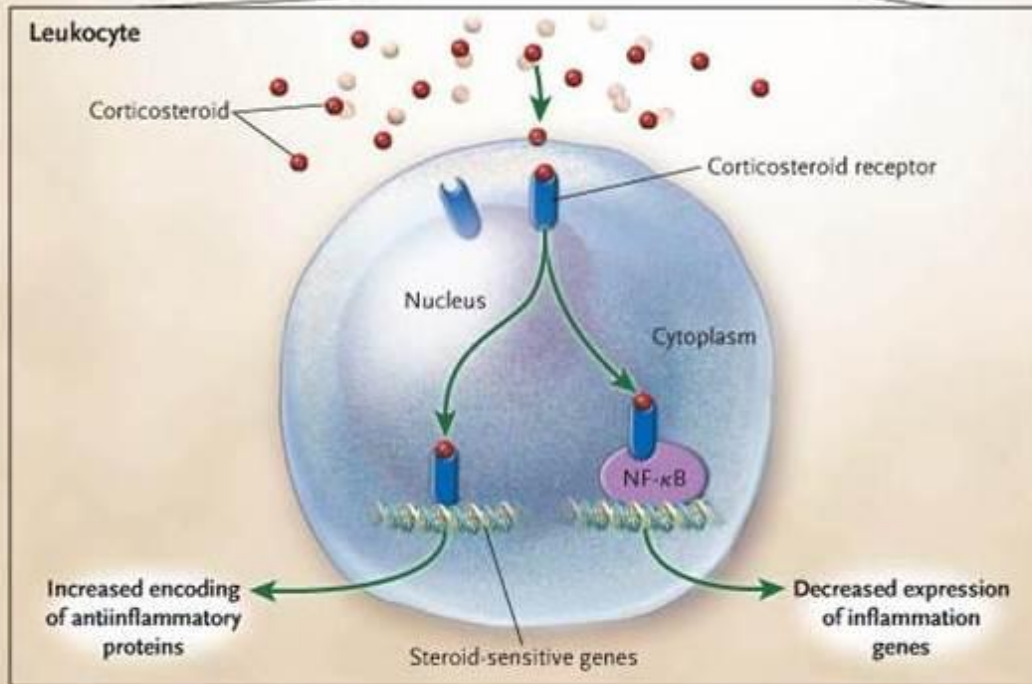
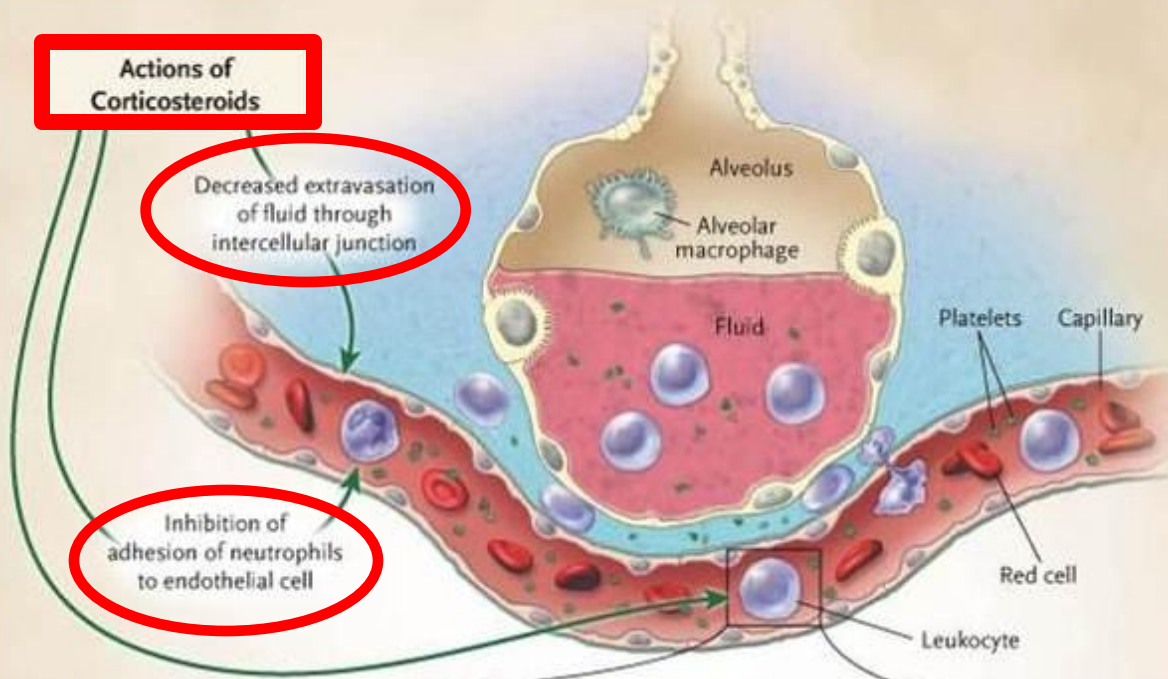


*Plus-minus values are means \pm SD. The number of ventilator-free days is the mean number of days from day 1 to day 28 on which the patient had been breathing without assistance for at least 48 consecutive hours. Barotrauma was defined as any new pneumothorax, pneumomediastinum, or subcutaneous emphysema, or a pneumatocele that was more than 2 cm in diameter. Organ and system failures were defined as described in the Methods section.

Actions of Corticosteroids

Decreased extravasation of fluid through intercellular junction

Inhibition of adhesion of neutrophils to endothelial cell



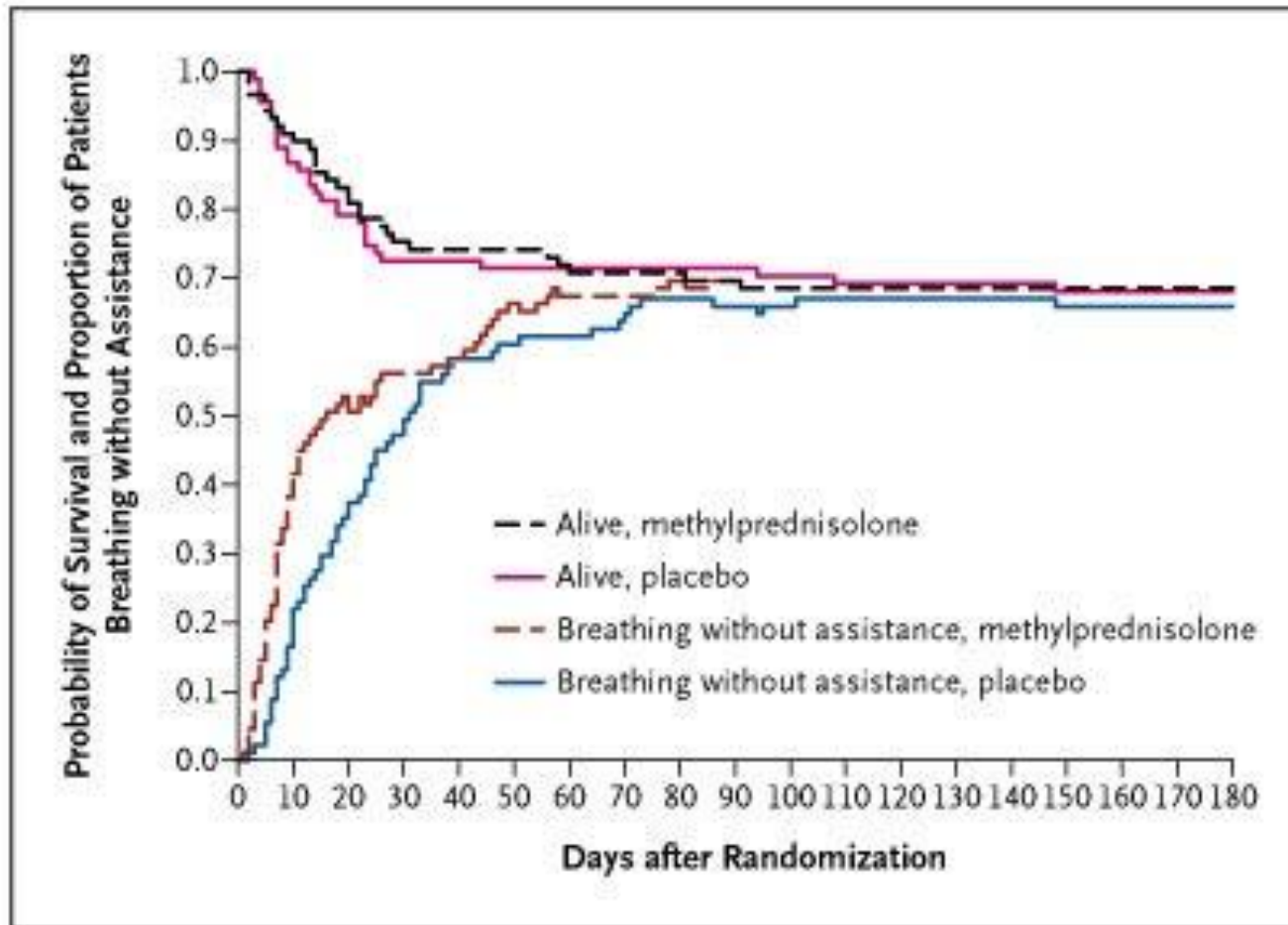
Pathways of the Inhibition of Inflammation by Corticosteroids in ARDS

Suter P. *N Engl J Med* 2006;354:1739-1742



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In persistent ARDS, corticosteroid therapy started 2 weeks after refractory hypoxia did not improve outcomes



Low Dose Corticosteroids in Early ARDS

- **Action at low doses**
 - Anti-inflammatory without immune suppression
- **Duration**
 - Lower doses over longer time are superior to higher doses for shorter periods of time
 - *Early withdrawal negates effect!!!*
- **Dosing of methylprednisolone**
 - 2 weeks: 1 mg/kg
 - 1 week: 0.5 mg/kg
 - ½ week: 0.25 mg/kg
 - ½ week: 0.125 mg/kg

Low Dose Corticosteroids in Early ARDS

Table 2—Per-Protocol Analysis, Outcome Measures on or by Study Day 7*

Variables	Methylprednisolone (n = 55)	Placebo (n = 24)	p Value
Extubated or with a \geq 1-point reduction in LIS†	41 (74.6)	9 (37.5)	0.002
Patients breathing without assistance	32 (58.2)	7 (29.2)	0.02
LIS‡	2.03 \pm 1.3	2.72 \pm 0.1	< 0.001
PaO ₂ /FIO ₂ ‡	268.6 \pm 21	179.8 \pm 21	0.003
Mechanical ventilation-free days‡	2.11 \pm 2.0	0.96 \pm 1.3	0.009
Multiple organ dysfunction syndrome score	0.69 \pm 0.9	1.71 \pm 1.3	0.02
C-reactive protein level, mg/dL	2.7 \pm 0.8	13.4 \pm 0.8	< 0.001
Patients with new infection§	9 (16.4)	8 (33.3)	0.09
Patients with ventilator-associated pneumonia	3 (5.5)	5 (20.8)	0.051
Survivors	52 (94.5)	20 (83.3)	0.19
Patients with unresolving ARDS treated with open-label methylprednisolone (2 mg/kg/d)†	4 (7.3)	10 (41.7)	< 0.001

*Data are presented as No. (%) or mean \pm SEM.

†The proportion of patients alive and improved for methylprednisolone vs placebo: 87% vs 42% (p < 0.001).

‡Lung injury score and in PaO₂/FIO₂ values obtained in patients remaining on mechanical ventilation.

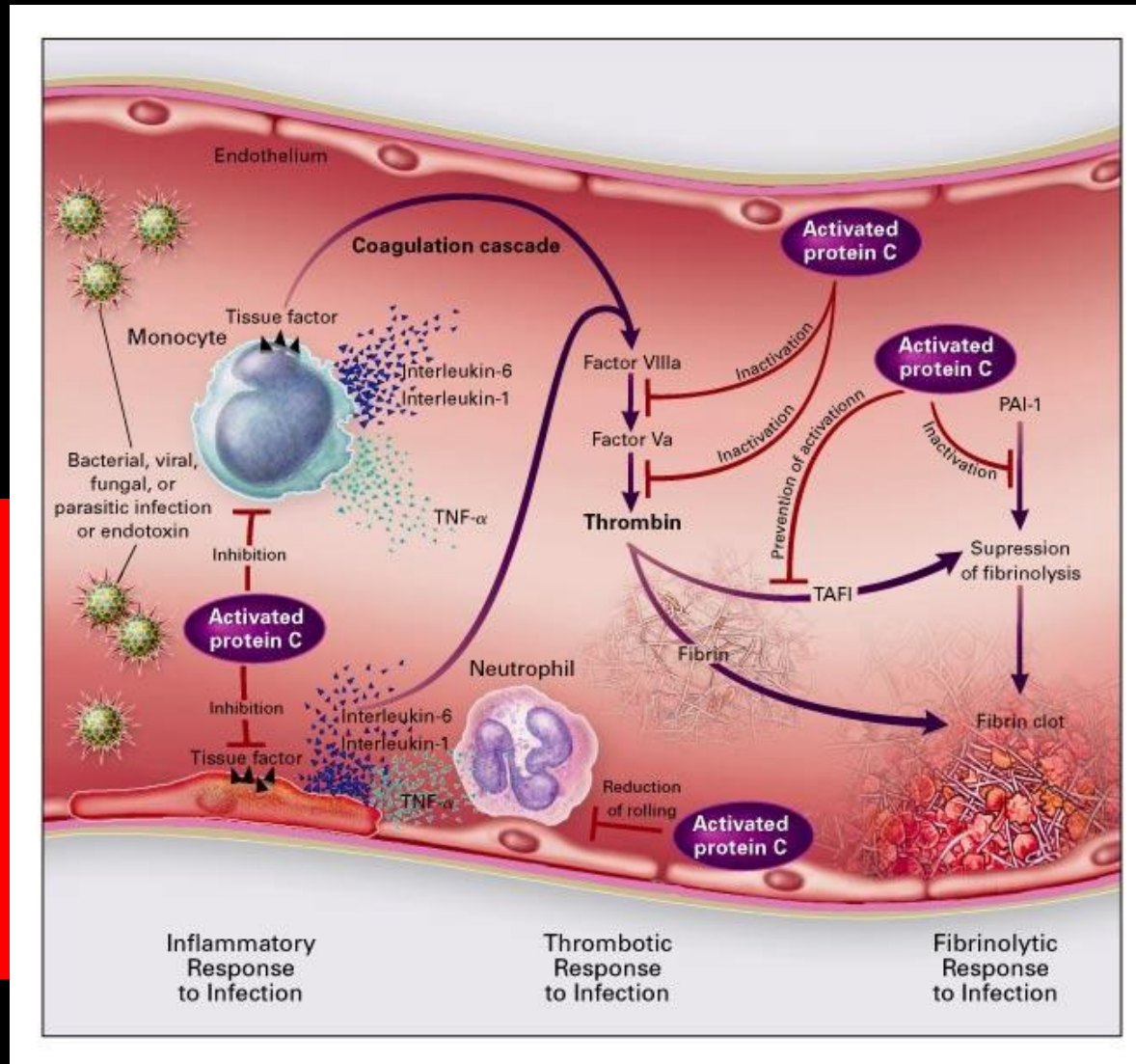
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Proposed Actions of Activated Protein C



Limits thrombin generation:

Inactivates Factors Va and VIIIa

Increases fibrinolytic activity:

Inhibits PAI

Anti-inflammatory:

Inhibits production of TNF- α , IL-1, and IL-6

Limits rolling of macrophages and PMNs

Dretrocogin Alpha

rhAPC

- **PROWESS**

- Severe sepsis
- High risk of death
 - APACHE > 25 *or*
 - Multiorgan failure

- **ADDRESS**

- Severe sepsis
- Low risk of death
 - APACHE < 25
 - Single organ failure

Incidence of Serious Adverse Events

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TABLE 5. INCIDENCE OF SERIOUS ADVERSE EVENTS.

VARIABLE	PLACEBO GROUP (N=840)	DROTRECIGIN ALFA ACTIVATED GROUP (N=850)	P VALUE
	no. of patients (%)		
At least one serious adverse event	102 (12.1)	106 (12.5)	0.84
Serious bleeding event*	17 (2.0)	30 (3.5)	0.06
Gastrointestinal	9 (1.1)	9 (1.1)	
Intraabdominal	4 (0.5)	3 (0.4)	
Intrathoracic	1 (0.1)	6 (0.7)	
Retroperitoneal	0	4 (0.5)	
Intracranial	1 (0.1)	2 (0.2)	
Skin or soft tissue	0	2 (0.2)	
Genitourinary	0	2 (0.2)	
Source unidentified†	2 (0.2)	2 (0.2)	
Thrombotic events	25 (3.0)	17 (2.0)	0.20

*A serious bleeding event was defined as any intracranial hemorrhage, any life-threatening bleeding, any bleeding event classified as serious by the investigator, or any bleeding that required the administration of 3 units of packed red cells on two consecutive days.

†These patients received 3 units of packed red cells on two consecutive days but had no identifiable source of bleeding.

Table 3. Adverse Events.*

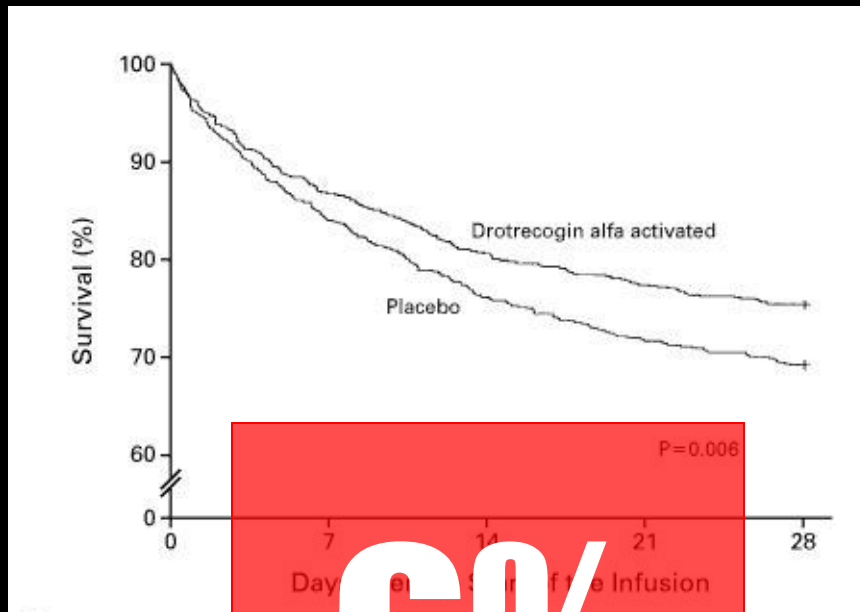
Event	Placebo (N=1293)	DrotAA (N=1317)	P Value
	no. (%)		
Days 0–6 (infusion period)			
Any serious adverse event	78 (6.0)	75 (5.7)	0.71
Serious bleeding events	15 (1.2)	31 (2.4)	0.02
Bleeding involving the central nervous system	3 (0.2)	4 (0.3)	0.72
Serious nonbleeding events	66 (5.1)	46 (3.5)	0.04
Days 0–28			
Any serious adverse event	183 (14.2)	182 (13.8)	0.81
Serious bleeding events	28 (2.2)	51 (3.9)	0.01
Bleeding involving the central nervous system	5 (0.4)	6 (0.5)	0.79
Any bleeding event leading to transfusion	44 (3.4)	90 (6.8)	<0.001
Serious nonbleeding events	168 (13.0)	143 (10.9)	0.09

* DrotAA denotes drotrecogin alfa (activated). Only patients who received the assigned study drug are included in this analysis.



Survival vs. Placebo

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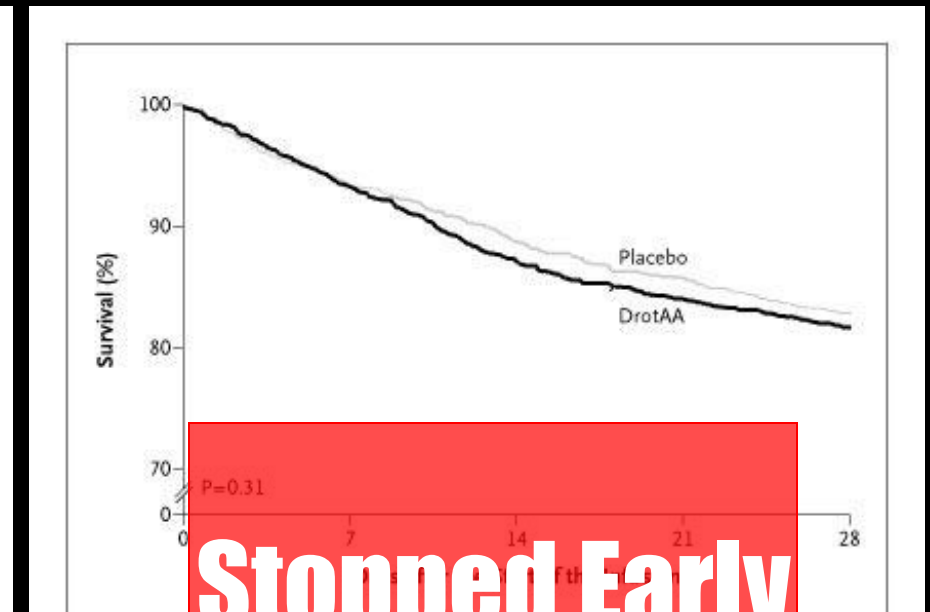


Bernard G et al. *N Engl J Med* 2001;344:699-709

6%

Absolute risk reduction

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Abraham E et al. *N Engl J Med* 2005;353:1332-1341

**Stopped Early
No Difference**



Current Recommendations for rhAPC

- **Severe sepsis with high risk of death**
 - APACHE II score > 25
 - Sepsis-induced multi-organ failure
 - Septic shock
 - Sepsis-induced ARDS
- No absolute contraindications related to bleeding risk
- No relative contraindication that outweighs potential benefit

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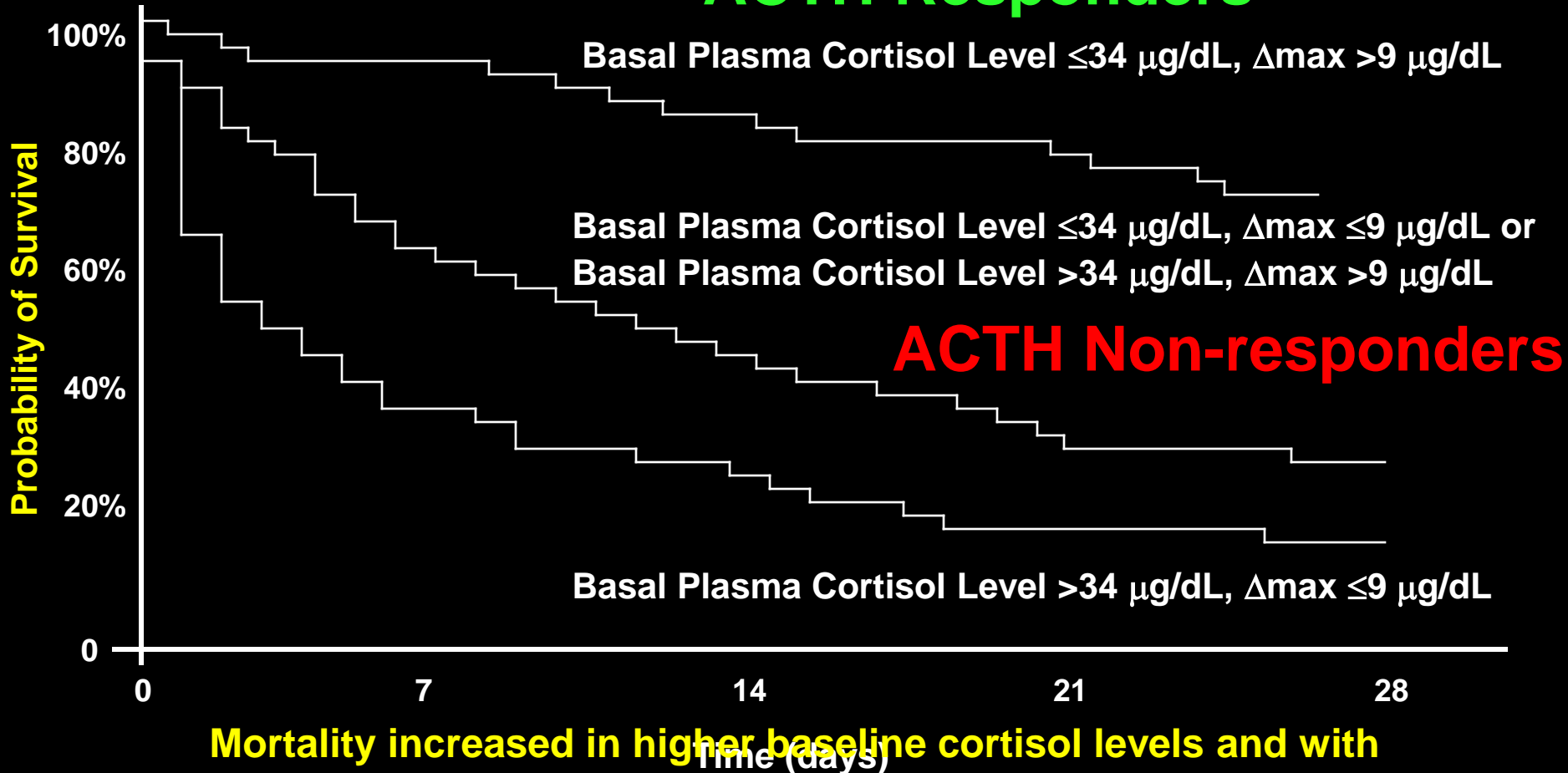
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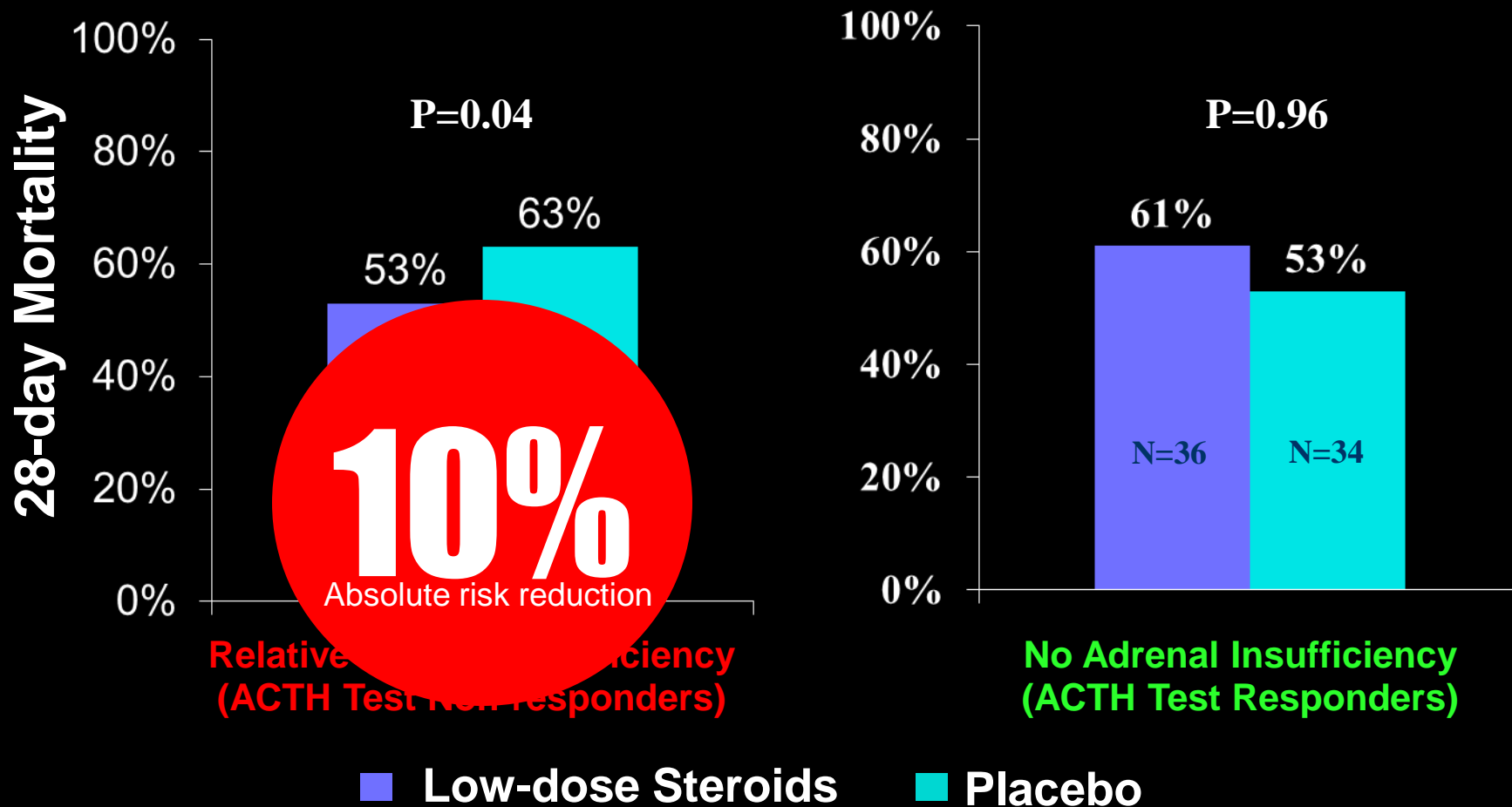
Survival in Severe Sepsis and Septic Shock

Baseline Cortisol and Post-ACTH

ACTH Responders



Low Dose Steroid Treatment in Septic Shock: 28 Day Mortality (Non-responders vs. Responders)



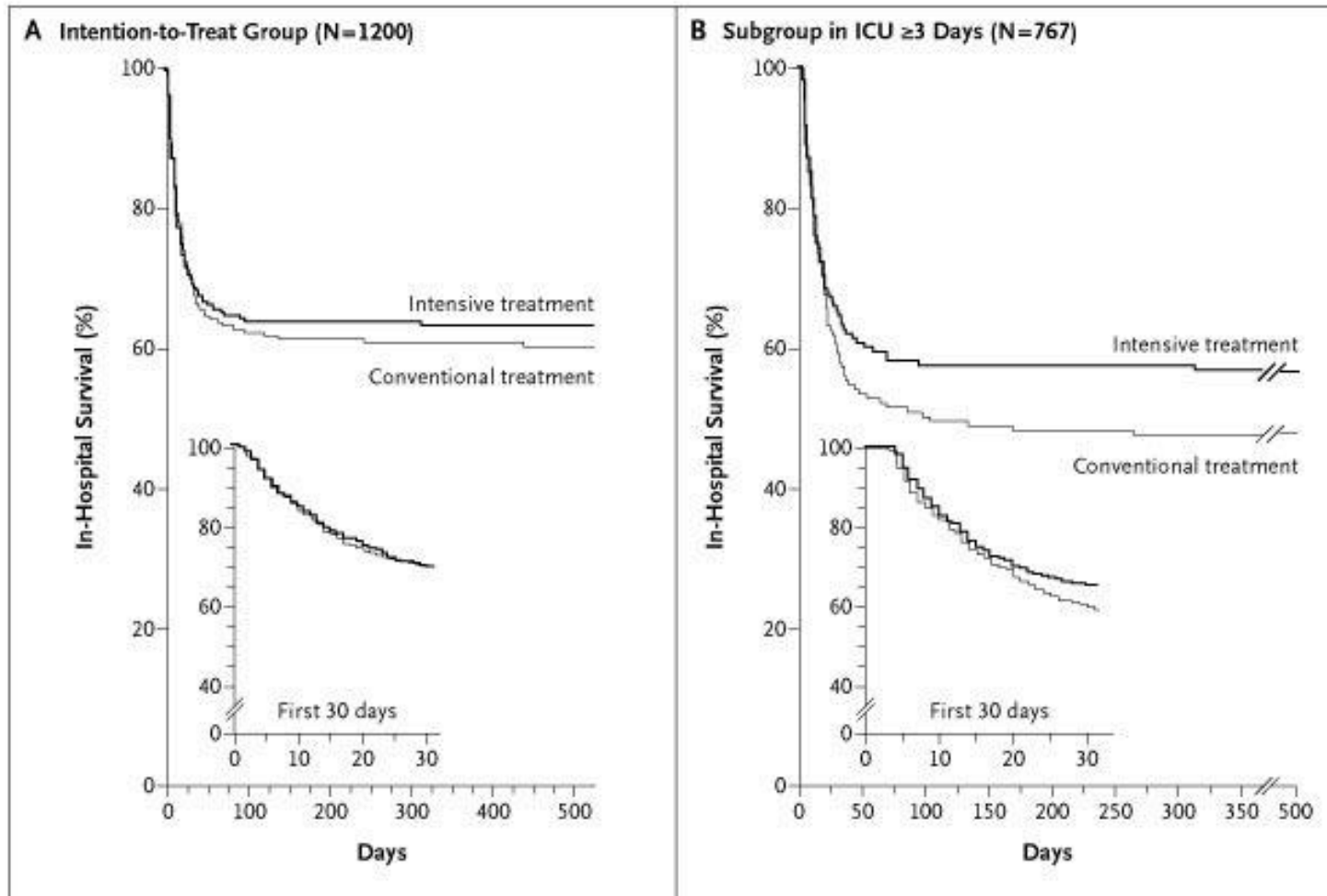
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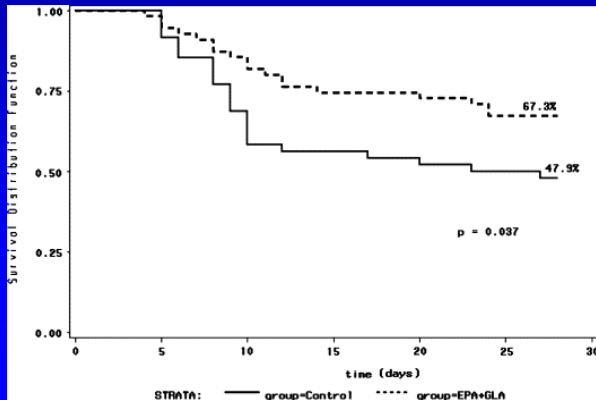
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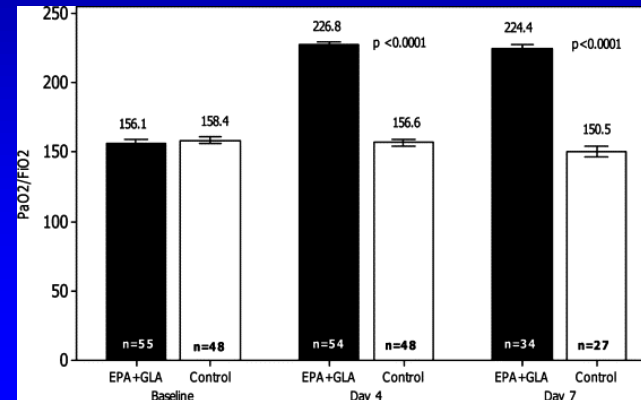
Intensive Insulin Treatment Improved Mortality in Surgical ICU Patients



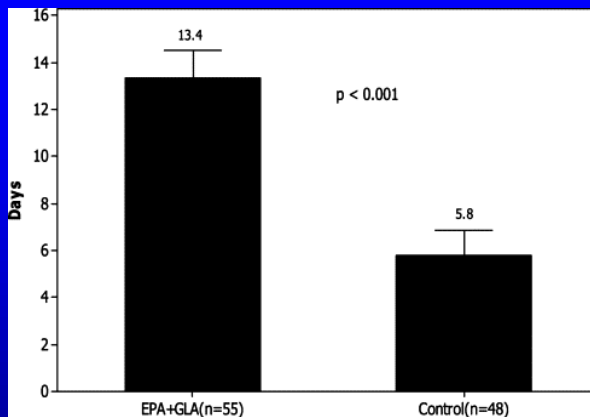
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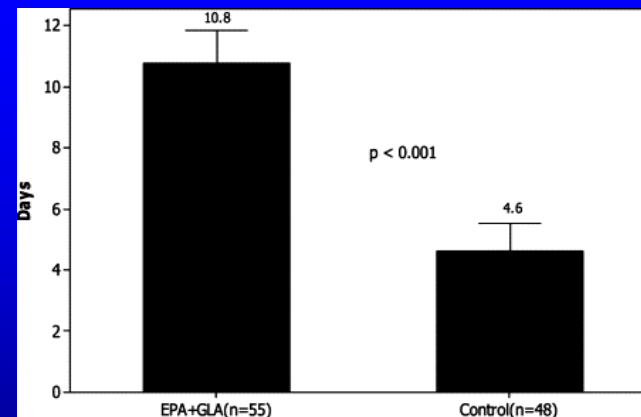
Improvement in Mortality



Improvement in Oxygenation



**7.6 more ventilator-free days
($p < .001$)**



**6.2 more ICU-free days
($p < .001$)**

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Table 7. Development of new organ dysfunction

New Organ Failures	Control Diet (n = 48)	EPA + GLA Diet (n = 55)	p Value
Total	81 (39)	38 (21)	<.001
Cardiovascular	67 (32)	22 (12)	<.001
Renal	38 (18)	20 (11)	.049
Hematologic	27 (13)	9 (5)	.016
Metabolic	27 (13)	11 (6)	.035
Neurologic	19 (9)	5 (3)	.036
Gastrointestinal	15 (7)	4 (2)	.078 ^a
Hepatic	12 (6)	4 (2)	.141 ^a
Respiratory	10 (5)	9 (5)	.072 ^a

EPA, eicosapentaenoic acid; GLA, γ -linolenic acid.

Less organ dysfunction

Efficacy and Safety of Epoetin Alfa in Critically Ill Patients

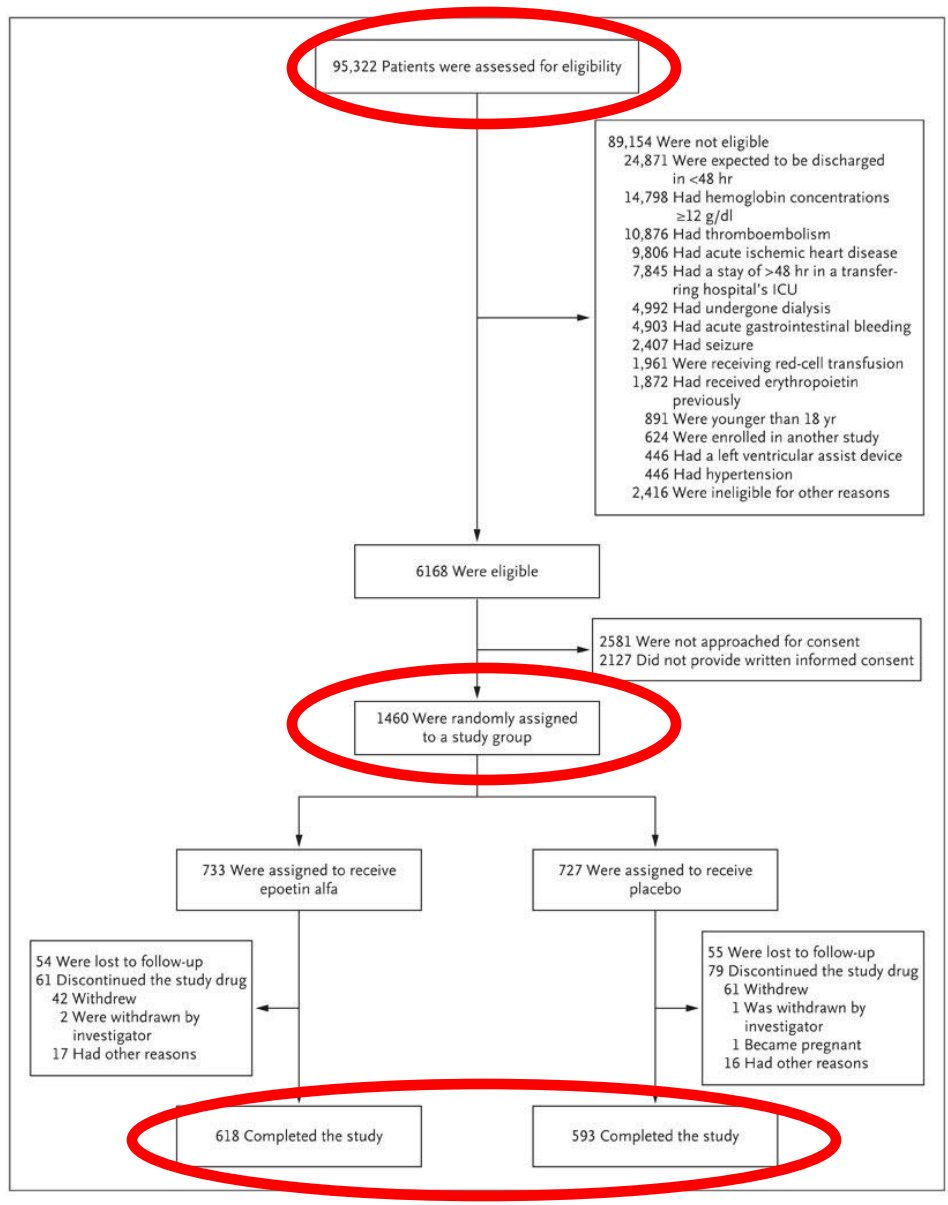


Table 4. Serious Adverse Events.*

Event	Epoetin Alfa (N = 728)	Placebo (N = 720)	P Value
	<i>no. of patients (%)</i>		
Any	320 (44.0)	313 (43.5)	0.87
Respiratory-system disorders			
Respiratory insufficiency	20 (2.7)	37 (5.1)	0.02
Dyspnea	12 (1.6)	15 (2.1)	0.57
Resistance-mechanism disorders			
Sepsis	47 (6.5)	50 (6.9)	0.67
Abscess	20 (2.7)	13 (1.8)	0.29
Multiple-organ failure	18 (2.5)	16 (2.2)	0.86
Clinically relevant thrombotic vascular event	120 (16.5)	83 (11.5)	0.008
Pulmonary embolism	16 (2.2)	12 (1.7)	0.57
Deep venous thrombosis	63 (8.7)	42 (5.8)	0.04
Cerebrovascular event	14 (1.9)	16 (2.2)	0.72
Myocardial infarction	15 (2.1)	6 (0.8)	0.08
Cardiac arrest or ventricular fibrillation	15 (2.1)	12 (1.7)	0.69

* The serious adverse events listed are those that occurred in more than 2% of patients in either study group. One patient in the epoetin alfa group who had received one dose had a positive scheduled mammogram at the day-140 visit. Biopsy of the lesion showed ductal carcinoma.



Table 2. Summary of Data on Red-Cell Transfusion.*

Variable	Epoetin Alfa (N = 733)	Placebo (N = 727)	Relative Risk (95% CI)	P Value
Patients receiving a transfusion — no. (%)	337 (46.0)	351 (48.3)	0.95 (0.85–1.06)	0.34
Admission group — no./total no. (%)				
Trauma	111/152 (73)	117/145 (81)	0.85 (0.63–1.14)	0.38
Surgical, non-trauma	59/162 (36)	71/168 (42)	0.63 (0.43–0.98)	0.04
Medical, non-trauma	63/159 (40)	61/133 (46)	1.1 (0.78–1.56)	0.61
Units transfused per patient				
Mean	4.5±4.6	4.3±4.8		0.42
Median	3.0	3.0		0.69†
Total no. of days alive	10,073	10,879		
Total no. of units transfused	1525	1530		
Transfusion rate‡	0.15±0.09	0.14±0.18		0.36§

No Difference

* Plus–minus values are means ±SD.

† The P value was calculated with the use of the Wilcoxon–Mann–Whitney test.

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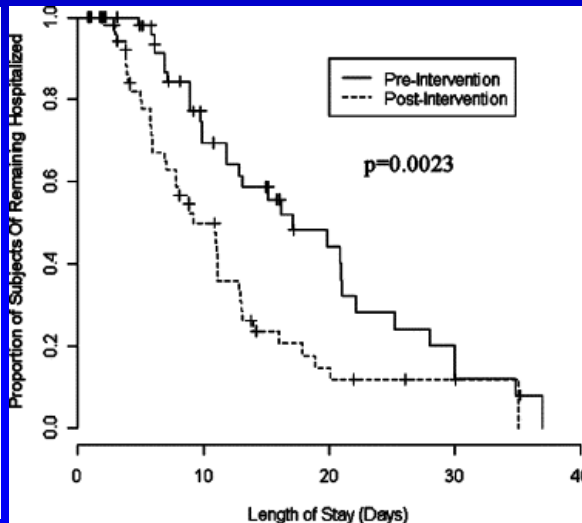
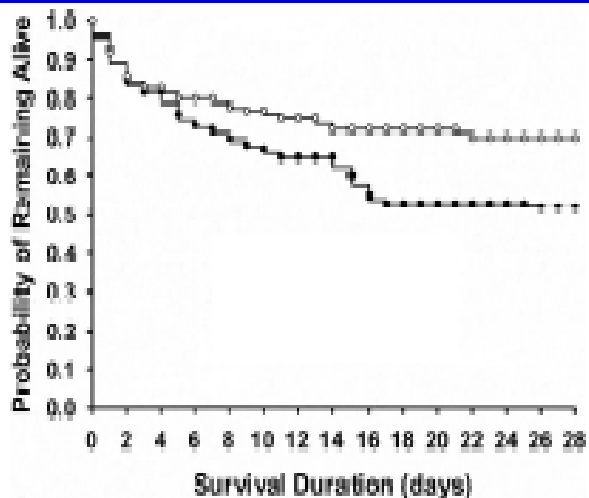
Process of Care Order Sets For Septic Shock

Table 2. Processes of medical care

Variable	Before Group (n = 60)	After Group (n = 60)	p Value
Antibiotic administration within 3 hrs of ED arrival, n (%)	36 (60.0)	52 (86.7)	.001
Appropriate initial antibiotic treatment, n (%)	43 (71.7)	52 (86.7)	.043
Blood cultures obtained before antibiotic administration, n (%)	47 (78.3)	51 (85.0)	.345
Intravenous fluids administered in ED, mL	2825 ± 1624	3789 ± 1730	.002
Intravenous fluids administered before vasopressors, mL	1740 ± 1267	2771 ± 1242	<.001
Achieved 20 mL/kg intravenous fluids before vasopressors, n (%)	35 (58.3)	53 (88.3)	<.001
Transfused RBC units, n (%)	4 (6.7)	12 (20.0)	.032
ED length of stay, hrs	5.8 ± 3.6	7.3 ± 4.0	.015
Serum lactate measurement, n (%)	10 (16.7)	47 (78.3)	<.001
Documented central venous pressure of >8 mm Hg in ED, n (%)	3 (5.0)	29 (48.3)	<.001
Central venous oxygen saturation assessment in the ED, n (%)	1 (1.7)	29 (48.3)	<.001
Vasopressor administration ^a , n (%)	60 (100.00)	43 (71.7)	<.001
Corticosteroid administration, n (%)	30 (50.0)	13 (21.7)	.001
Drotrecogin alfa (activated) administration, n (%)	7 (11.7)	2 (3.3)	.083

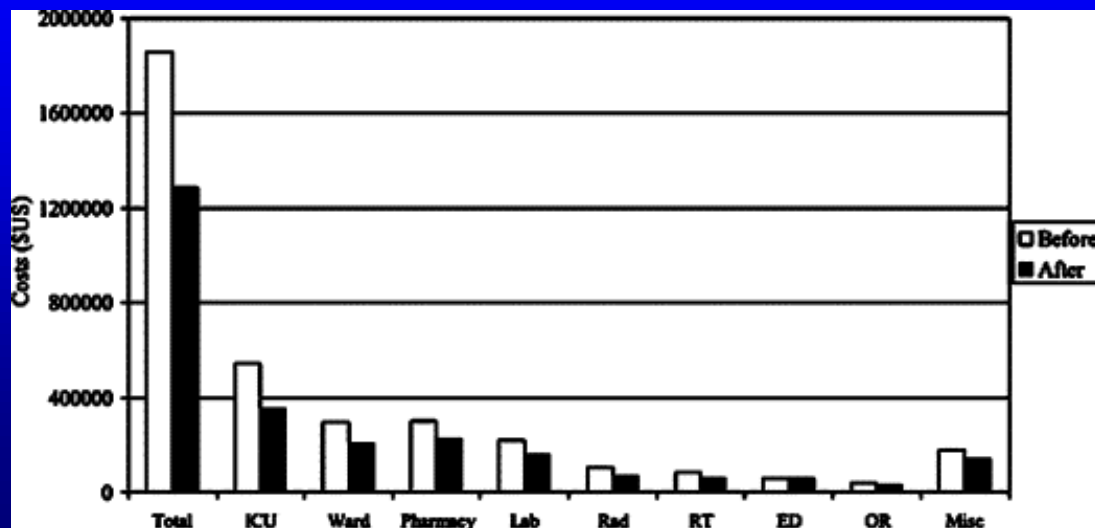
Evidence-based sepsis protocols

Before & After study of 120 ER Septic Shock Patients



Protocol Use:

- ↑ Survival (70% vs. 50%)
- ↓ LOS by 5 days
- ↓ Cost (\$16K vs. \$22K)



Sepsis Bundles Save Lives

Prospective, observational study in 101 consecutive adult pts with severe sepsis in UK hospitals.

Up to 30%
Reduction in
Mortality!

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Gao et al. *Crit Care Med* 2005; 9:R764

Kortgen et al *Crit Care Med* 2006;34:943-949.

Bang For The Buck

Absolute Risk Reduction in Mortality by Intervention

Early Goal Directed Therapy (EGDT)	16%
Low Tidal Volume Ventilation	9%
Corticosteroids for Early ARDS*	≤ 10%
Corticosteroids for Adrenal Insufficiency	10%
Intensive Insulin Therapy	10%
rhAPC in high risk of death	6%
Tube feeds with Eicosapentanoic Acid, γ-linolenic acid, and Antioxidants	20%
Sepsis bundles	≤ 30%

**Requires further studies*

Improving Mortality with POC Testing

- **Arterial Blood Gas (ABG)**
 - pH, PCO_2 , PO_2
 - Electrolytes (Potassium, Chloride, HCO_3^-)
 - Renal function: BUN, Creatinine
 - Lactate
- **Venous Blood Gas (VBG)**
 - pH, PCO_2 , PO_2
 - ScvO_2 (central venous O_2 saturation)
- **Blood Glucometer**
 - Glucose measurement



Thank You

- Questions