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# Risk assessment of the ICU patient

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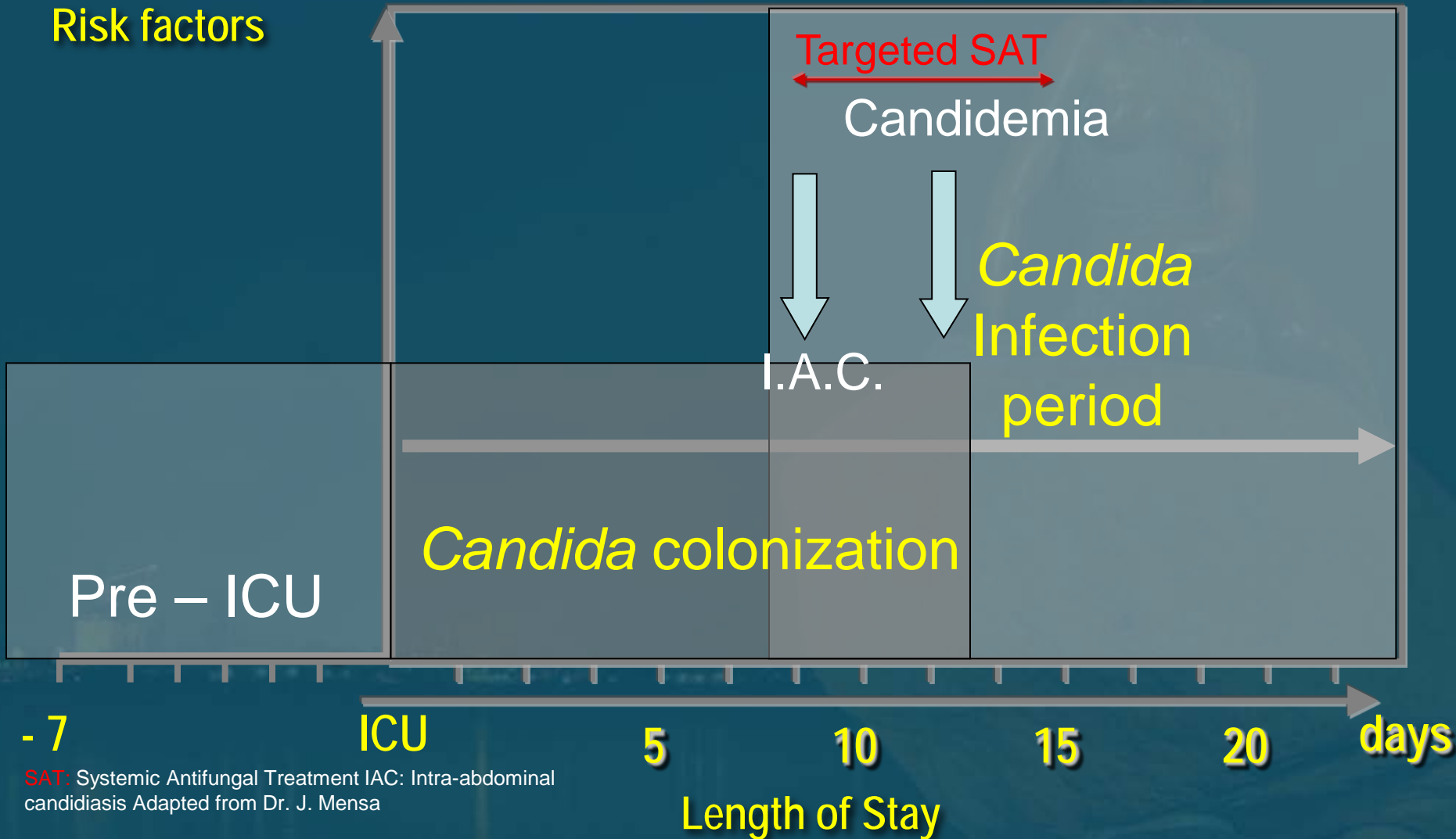
# Clinical scenario

- Adults, medical / surgical critically ill patients
- ICU - L.O.S.  $\geq$  3-5 days, multiple *Candida* infection risk factors
- With w/o *Candida* unifocal / MF colonization
- With w/o clinical symptoms infection
- IC diagnosis delay
- *Candida* infection  $\rightarrow$   $\uparrow$  morbi-mortality
- Non-IC targeted S.A.T.
- Prediction rule  $\rightarrow$  identify ICU patients high IC risk

S.A.T. = Systemic Antifungal Treatment

# IC natural history in NNCIP

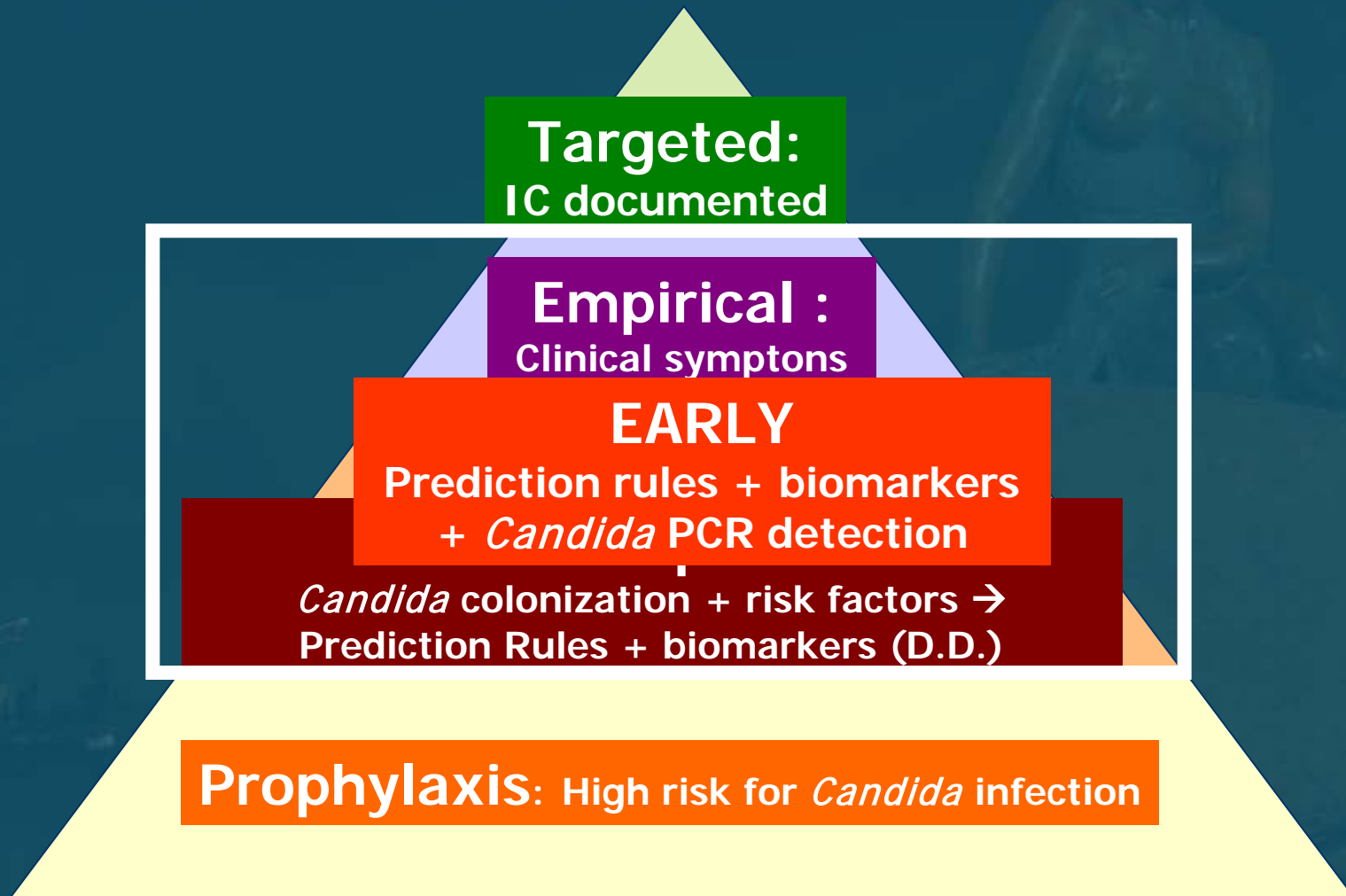
Risk factors



SAT: Systemic Antifungal Treatment IAC: Intra-abdominal candidiasis Adapted from Dr. J. Mensa

Length of Stay

# Systemic Antifungal Treatment Modalities



# Prediction rules to identify ICU patients at high IC risk

## Parameters included

### Colonization Index <sup>1</sup>

n° sites / n° sites  
screened  
2 x weekly  
**> 0.5 or ≥ 0.4 corrected**

### Candida Score <sup>2</sup>

Surgery on ICU admission  
TPN  
Severe sepsis  
*Candida* colonization  
**≥ 3 points**

### Ostrosky Rule <sup>3</sup>

ICU L.O.S. > 4 days

**All of:**

Broad Syst..Antib. + CVC + MV

**+ one of:**

TPN (day 1-3)

Dialysis (day 1-3)

Major surgery (- 7 -0)

Pancreatitis (- 7 -0)

Immunosupp. / steroids (- 7 -0)

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A bedside scoring system (“Candida score”) for early antifungal treatment in nonneutropenic critically ill patients with *Candida* colonization\*  
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Variable	Proven Candidal Infection %	p Value	Crude Odds Ratio (95% Confidence Interval)	Adjusted Odds Ratio (95% Confidence Interval)
<b>Courtesy by J. Mensa</b>				
Surgery on ICU admission				
No	1			
Yes	1	<.001	2.69 (1.76–4.10)	2.71 (1.45–5.06)
Total parenteral nutrition				
No	1			
Yes	1			1.16–5.31
Severe sepsis				
No	2			
Yes	2			4.14–14.22
<i>Candida</i> species colonization				
No	1			
Yes	1	<.001	3.20 (1.85–5.53)	3.04 (1.45–6.39)

**Score  $\geq 2.5$**

Sensitivity **81%**  
 Specificity **74%**



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Variable	Proven Candidal Infection %	p Value	Crude Odds Ratio (95% Confidence Interval)	Adjusted Odds Ratio (95% Confidence Interval)
Surgery on ICU admission	1			
No	6.9			
Yes	6.5	<.001	2.69 (1.76–4.10)	2.71 (1.45–5.06)
Total parenteral nutrition	1			
No				
Yes				
Severe sepsis	2			
No				
Yes	8.8	<.001	8.63 (5.49–13.56)	7.68 (4.14–14.22)
<i>Candida</i> species colonization	1			
No	4.2			
Yes	2.3	<.001	3.20 (1.85–5.53)	3.04 (1.45–6.39)

Score  $\geq 2.5$

probability of *Candida* infection x 7.75

# Comparison IC prediction rules

Score, year	Patients (n)	ICUs	Sensit. (95%CI)	Specif. (95%CI)	PPV (95%CI)	NPV (95%CI)	Threshold
Colonization Index, 1994	29 <i>prospective</i>	1	100	66.6 (43-83)	64.7 (41-83)	100	$\geq 0.5$
Candida Score, 2006	1,699 retrospective	73	81 (69-89)	74 (70-77)	24.6 (19-31)	97.4 (95-98)	$\geq 3$
<b>Candida Score, 2009</b>	<b>1,107 prospective</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>77.6 (65-86)</b>	<b>66.2 (63-69)</b>	<b>13.8 (10-17)</b>	<b>97.7 (96-98)</b>	<b><math>\geq 3</math></b>
Ostrosky Rule, 2011	597 retrospective	6	90 (72-97)	48 (44-52)	6 (4-9)	99 (97-99)	MV+B.S.A + CVC + other

**Rule concerns:** 1. High sensitivity / Low specificity 2. No prospective validation 3. Complicated use

B.S.A : broad spectrum antibiotics ; MV: Mechanical ventilation; CVC: Central venous catheter

## Abdominal Surgery IC rates, according CS

Candida Score	< 3	= 3	> 3
IC rate medical / surgical patients (n = 1,107)	2.3 %	5.9 %	11.5 % (5.1 - 17.8)
IC rate Abdominal Surgery (n = 182)	2.3 %	12.5 %	<b>30.3 %</b> <b>(19.2 - 41.4)</b>

Values in parentheses: 95% CI

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Table 4. Rates of invasive candidiasis according to the *Candida* score

Cutoff Value	Incidence Rate (%) (95% CI)	Relative Risk (95% CI)
<3	2.3 (1.1–3.5)	1
3	8.5 (4.2–12.7)	3.7 (1.8–7.7)
4	16.8 (9.7–23.9)	7.3 (3.7–14.5)
5	23.6 (12.4–34.9)	10.3 (5.0–21.0)

CI, confidence interval.

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## RESEARCH

## Open Access

## Evaluation of "Candida score" in critically ill patients: a prospective, multicenter, observational, cohort study

Leroy et al. *Annals of Intensive Care* 2011, 1:50  
http://www.annalsofintensivecare.com/content/1/1/50Guillaume Leroy<sup>1</sup>, Fabien Lambiotte<sup>2</sup>, Didier Thévenin<sup>3</sup>, Christian Lemaire<sup>4</sup>, Erika Parmentier<sup>5</sup>, Patrick Devos<sup>6</sup> and Olivier Leroy<sup>1\*</sup>

- To evaluate **CS performance** ICU patients developing hospital-acquired **severe sepsis or septic shock**.
- Prospective, multicenter (5 ICUs France), cohort study
- n = 94 recruited (IC = 5 → 5.3 %)
- IC rates: CS = 2 or 3 → 0%; CS = 4 → 17.6%; CS = 5 → 50% (p < 0.0001).
- CS > 3 → Benefit early S.A.T.**

Table 2 Risk factors for invasive candidiasis, according to the value of "Candida score"

Risk factors	Candida score = 2 (n = 44)	Candida score = 3 (n = 29)	Candida score = 4 (n = 17)	Candida score = 5 (n = 4)
Severe sepsis or septic shock	44	29	17	4
Total parenteral nutrition	0	8	15	4
Surgery	0	10	17	4
Multifocal <i>Candida</i> colonization	0	11	2	4
Invasive mechanical ventilation	30	23	11	2
Central venous catheter	39	27	15	4
Urinary catheter	42	27	17	4
Antibiotherapy > 5 days within the past 2 weeks	39	25	14	4
Renal replacement therapy	8	10	4	1
Insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus	7	4	0	0
Immunosuppression	4	3	2	0

# Systemic antifungal therapy in critically ill patients without invasive fungal infection\*

(Crit Care Med 2012; 40:813–822)

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- To determine → n° patients, w /o documented IC, received S.A.T.
- 1-day cross-sectional cohort study; 169 ICUs France / Belgium
- n = 2,047 recruited
- n = 154 (7.5%) with SAT (only 54 with IC)
- Independent predictors SAT:
  - Center-related factors: Hospital < 800 beds (OR: 2.9); organ transplant activity (OR:2.6); use fluoroquinolones (OR:2.3); use SAT unresolved sepsis (OR:1.9 / 2.2/ 2.0)
  - Patient related factors: Candida colonization (OR: 12.4); severe sepsis and septic shock (OR:4.7); emergency surgery (OR: 2.4); hematologic malignancies (OR:7.1)
- **Trend greater impact SAT on survival when CS = 4 or 5**

S.A.T: Systemic Antifungal Treatment

# Impact SAT on 28-d mortality according CS

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Candida score class	Alive with SAT	Dead with SAT	Crude HR [95%CI], P value	Adjusted HR ‡ [95%CI], P value
Candida score 0 or 1 (n=1019)	7 (100%)	0 (0%)	0 [0 – Inf] ; p=0.97	0 [0 – Inf] ; p=.99
Candida score 2 or 3 (n=664)	34 (75.6%)	11 (24.4%)	0.99 [0.54 – 1.83] ; p=0.97	0.76 [0.26 – 2.18] ; 0.61
Candida score 4 or 5 (n=310)	39 (81.3%)	9 (18.8%)	0.78 [0.39 – 1.57] ; p=0.49	0.09 [0.01 – 1.49] ; 0.09

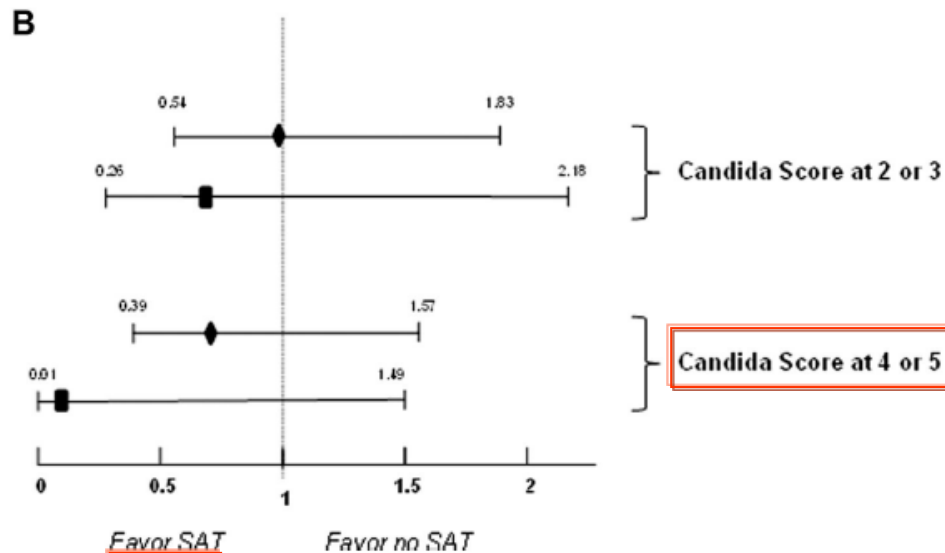


Figure 4. Impact of systemic antifungal treatment (SAT) on day 28 mortality according to *Candida* score. A, Impact of SAT on day 28 survival according to three classes of *Candida* score. ‡Adjusted hazard ratios were obtained by adjustment on propensity score for day 28 mortality and with stratification on the center. B, Unadjusted (lozenges) and adjusted (squares) hazard ratio (HR) and 95% confidence intervals depicting the impact of SAT on day 28 mortality in patients with *Candida* score at 2 or 3 or with *Candida* score at 4 or 5.

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# Comparison of **BG** test findings in non-neutropenic critically ill patients

Author, year	Patient's type	Number Pts./ samples (mean)	IC Type	Cut-off	Sensit.(%) 95% CI	Specif.(%) 95% CI	PPV (%) 95% CI	NPV (%) 95% CI	Proven IC BG ** (median)
Tissot, 2013	Surgical Pancreatitis	89 / 921 (9)	IAC	≥ 80	65 * (46-82)	78 * (63-93)	68 * (52-88)	77 * (63-89)	253
León, 2012	Surgical Pancreatitis	176/ 766 (4.3)	C, IAC	≥ 80	51.6 (34-69)	86.9 (78-92)	59.3 (40-75)	83.0 (73-89)	259
Del Bono, 2011	Surgical	152 / 152 (1)	C	≥ 80	62	98	98.4	57.3	324
Posteraro, 2011	Med. / Surg.	95 / 130 (1.3)	C	≥ 80	92.9 (66-99)	93.7 (85-90)	72.2 (46-90)	98.7 (92-99)	500
Mohr, 2011	Med. / Surg.	57 / 239 (4.1)	C	≥ 80	100 *	59 *	NDA	NDA	171
Presterl, 2009	Med. / Surg.	197/ NDA	C, IAC, HC	≥ 40	52.2 (31-76)	75.9 (62-85)	46.2 (27-66)	80 (66-89)	44

\* Two consecutive BG determinations

\*\* pg / mL,

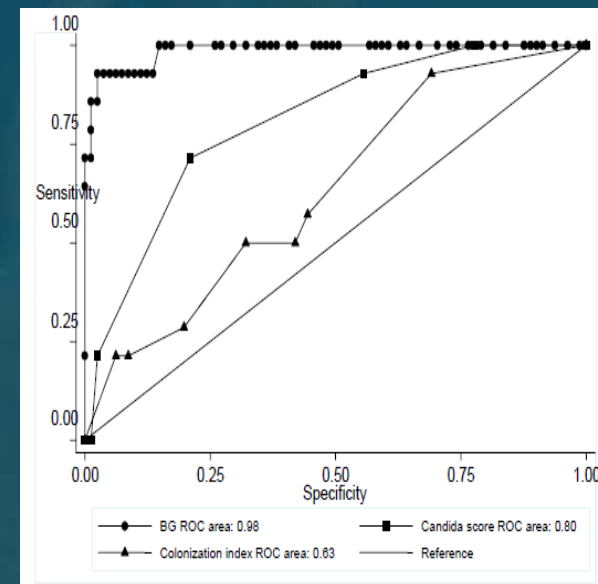
IC: Invasive Candidiasis, C: Candidemia, IAC: Intra-abdominal Candidiasis, HC: Hepatic Candidiasis NDA: No data available



# Early diagnosis of candidemia in intensive care unit patients with sepsis: a prospective comparison of (1→3)- $\beta$ -D-glucan assay, *Candida* score, and colonization index

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- Prospective, single center, observational study
- To compare diagnostic value BG, **CS**, CI ICU patients risk IC
- n = 95 (LOS > 5 days): clinical sepsis onset → BG; blood cultures,
- Clinical data / surveillance cultures
- Of 14 IC patients: 13 candidemias.
- **Combination positive BG and CS  $\geq 3$  improved IC diagnosis:**  
Sensitivity [100% (95% CI, 76.8% to 100%)]  
NPV [100% (95% CI, 94.6% to 100%)]
- vs. 92.9% and 98.7% for BG test alone.



**Table 3 Performances of (1→3)- $\beta$ -D-glucan assay (BG), *Candida* score (CS), and colonization index for detection of invasive candidiasis in 95 patients**

	Sensitivity (%) (95% CI)	Specificity (%) (95% CI)	PPV (%) (95% CI)	NPV (%) (95% CI)	PLR (%) (95% CI)	NLR (%) (95% CI)
BG cut-off value, 80 pg/mL	92.9 (66.1 to 99.8)	93.7 (85.8 to 97.9)	72.2 (46.5 to 90.3)	98.7 (92.8 to 99.9)	14.74 (4.65 to 47.52)	0.07 (0.02 to 0.39)
CS $\geq 3$	85.7 (57.2 to 98.2)	88.6 (79.5 to 94.7)	57.1 (34.0 to 78.2)	97.2 (90.3 to 99.7)	7.51 (2.79 to 18.29)	0.16 (0.02 to 0.54)
Colonization index $\geq 0.5$	64.3 (35.1 to 87.2)	69.6 (58.2 to 79.5)	27.3 (13.3 to 45.5)	91.7 (81.6 to 97.2)	2.12 (0.84 to 4.25)	0.51 (0.16 to 1.11)

Posteraro et al. Critical Care 2011, 15:R249

## Beta-Glucan Antigenemia Anticipates Diagnosis of Blood Culture-Negative Intra-Abdominal Candidiasis

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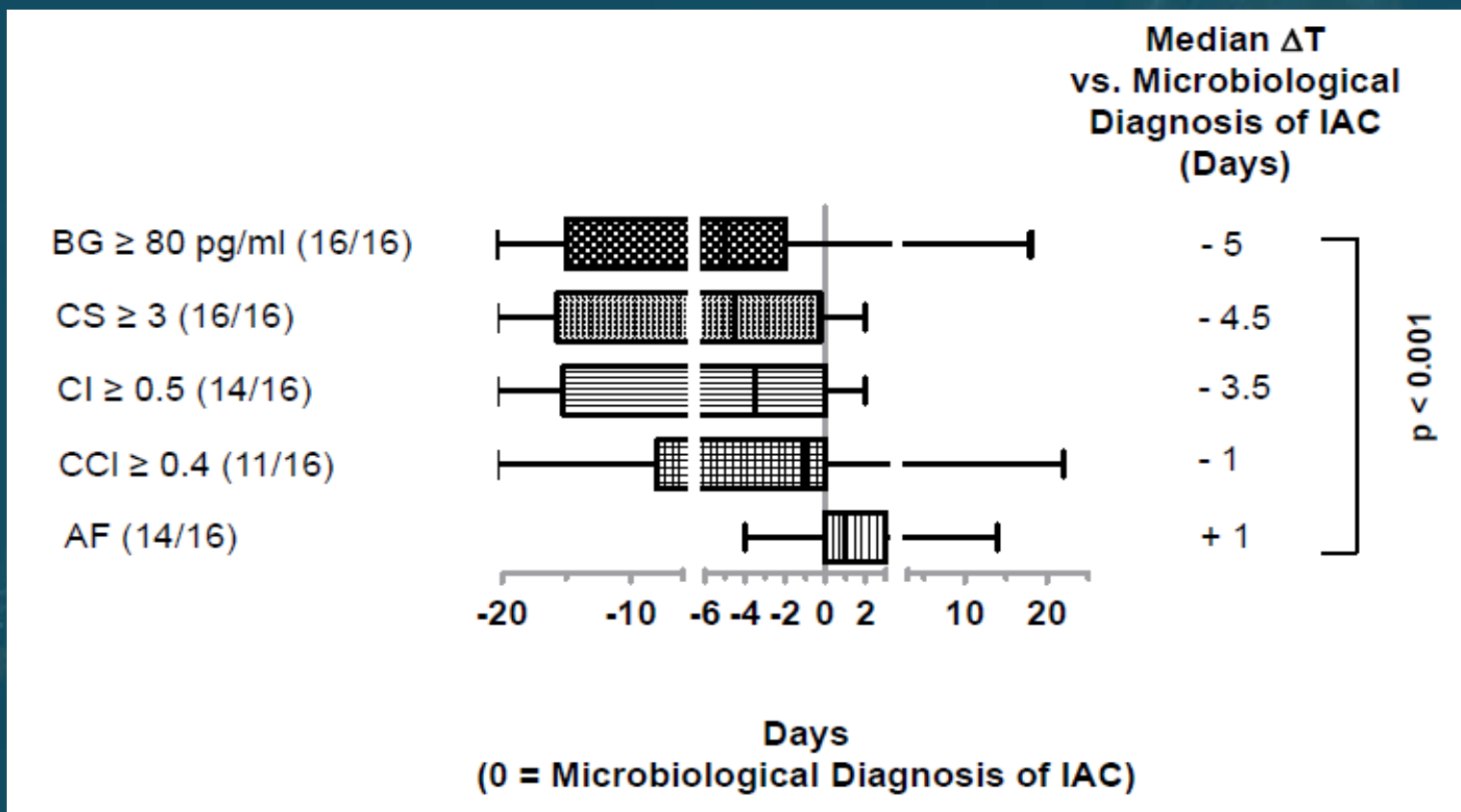
- Prospective, cohort study (FUNGINOS)
- 89 (20.5%) / 434 patients high-risk IAC studied (ICU stay  $\geq 72$ h):  $\rightarrow$  29 IAC + negative blood culture (27/29).
- BG preceded microbiological documentation IAC and start SAT by five / six days (median), respectively.
- Conclusion: BG is superior to cultures, CS, CI, CCI for anticipating diagnosis of blood-culture-negative post-surgical IAC.

	Sensit. (95%CI)	Specif. (95%CI)	PPV (95%CI)	NPV (95%CI)
BG $\geq 80$ pg/ml 1 x	0.83 (0.64-0.94)	0.40 (0.26-0.57)	0.49 (0.34-0.64)	0.77 (0.55-0.92)
BG $\geq 80$ pg/ml 2 x	0.65 (0.46-0.62)	0.78 (0.63-0.90)	0.68 (0.48-0.84)	0.77 (0.61-0.68)
CS $\geq 3$	0.86 (0.68-0.96)	0.38 (0.23-0.54)	0.49 (0.35-0.63)	0.80 (0.56-0.94)

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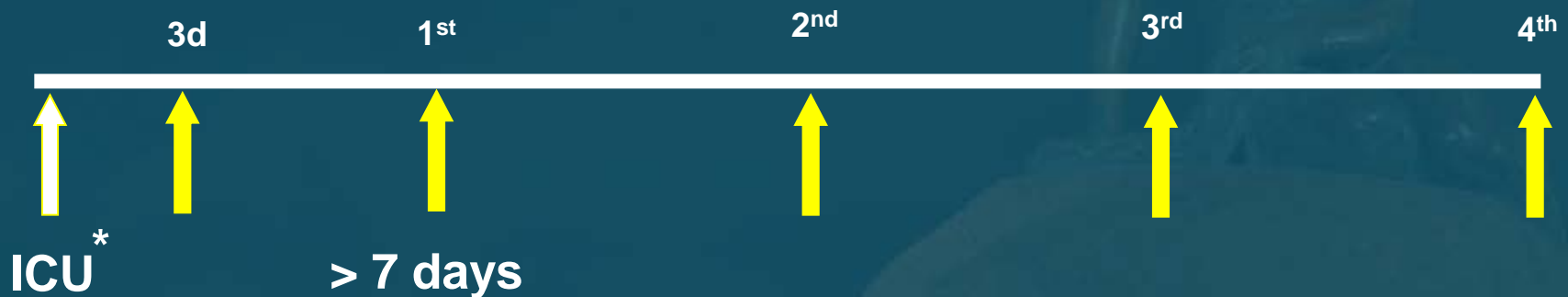
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# Value BG / CAGTA discriminating between *Candida* colonization / IC critically ill patients with S.A.C. (CAVA II study)

Multicenter, observational, prospective:  
C. Score; biomarkers & IC  
 18 ICUs; n = 176 (S.A.C.); 4 wks. Study; 2009-10



C Score, BG, CAGTA, others → Weekly (x 2) screening  
 Optional Samples related clinical situation / follow up

Variables: demographics; APACHE II, SOFA (admission); weekly x 2, starting antifungals); comorbid diseases; risk factors; antifungal therapy and outcome.

\*Adult patients, admitted ICU ≥ 7 days

S.A.C. = Severe Abdominal Conditions

CAGTA = *Candida albicans* germ-tube antibody

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# CART prediction rule model

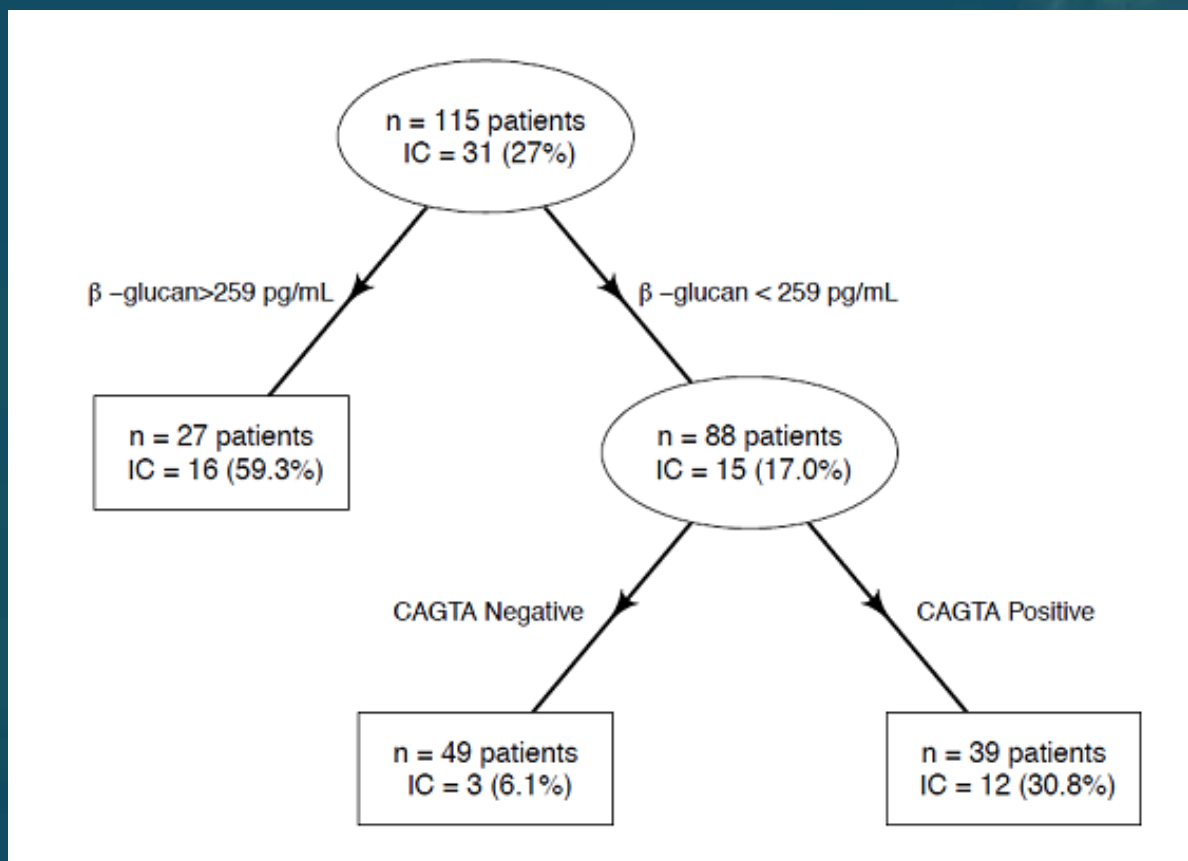
- Patients with *Candida* colonization → A model for IC prediction was obtained using Classification And Regression Trees (CART).
- Variables used → maximum values biomarkers before / during development IC, or highest value when IC did not developed (Apache-II, BG, CAGTA).
- CART through a process of binary recursive splitting of the datasets based on rules of the form *if-then-else*, identifies a set of predictors of IC estimating the probabilities of IC according to the values of predictors.
- The discriminate value of the probabilities of IC obtained by the CART was evaluated by the receiver characteristic operating (ROC) curve .
- Predictive rule → identify patients have an IC risk, when probability to develop IC is  $\geq 30\%$ . (cut-off chosen by CART algorithm to minimize error measurement = deviance)
- Obtained rule: estimated → Sensitivity, Specificity, PPV, NPV.
- Data analysis → carried out using R-package.

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Belmont CA: Wadsworth International

## Prediction rule for IC diagnosis (NNCIP with SAC)

Each terminal node → Probability predicted event

Leon C, Ruiz-Santana S, Saavedra P, et al. Intensive Care Med 2012;38:1315–1325



**IC:** invasive candidiasis. **BG:** [1→3]-β-D-glucan; **CAGTA:** *Candida albicans* Germ Tube Antibodies.  
**n=** number of patients with IC. **SAC:** Severe Abdominal Conditions.

Diagnostic accuracy of CART-derived prediction rule, BG (cut-off: > 259 pg/mL), CAGTA (cut-off: positive) and CS for IC diagnosis

	Area under ROC curve (95% CI)	Sensitivity % (95% CI)	Specificity % (95% CI)	Predictive value	
				Positive % (95% CI)	Negative % (95% CI)
CART analysis	0.78 (0.76-0.81)	90.3 (75.1-96.6)	54.7 (44.1-65.0)	42.4 (31.2-54.4)	93.9 (83.5-97.9)
BG	0.67 (0.59-0.74)	51.6 (34.8-68.0)	86.9 (78.0-92.5)	59.3 (40.7-75.5)	83.0 (73.8-89.4)
CAGTA	0.67 (0.63-0.70)	71.0 (53.4-83.9)	57.3 (46.5-67.5)	38.6 (27.1-51.6)	83.9 (72.2-91.3)
CS	0.62 (0.58-0.66)	93.5 (79.2-98.2)	18.1 (11.3-27.7)	29.9 (21.7-39.6)	88.2 (65.7-96.7)

CART: classification and regression tree analysis; BG: beta-D-glucan; CAGTA: *Candida albicans* germ tube antibody. Total number of patients with *Candida* spp. colonization = 115.

# Conclusions

- IC diagnosis and S.A.T. delay : influences morbi-mortality.
- Non IC-targeted S.A.T. → not well established.
- Utility prediction rules & biomarkers to select patients benefit “early” S.A.T.
- Predictive (CART) rule → allow IC structured management.
- Candida PCR detection → would improve IC diagnosis.
- IC diagnosis → multifactorial process requires multidimensional markers.





Thank you for your attention !