



**FUNGUS:
FROM A RARITY TO A REGULAR
CUSTOMER WITH SPECIFIC
DEMANDS**



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**CAUSES OF DEATH IN PATIENTS WITH MALIGNANCIES
NIJMEGEN, THE NETHERLANDS**

328 autopsies

BACTERIAL INFECTION 7%

FUNGAL INFECTION 36%

MULTIFACTORIAL 40%

HEMORRHAGE 17%

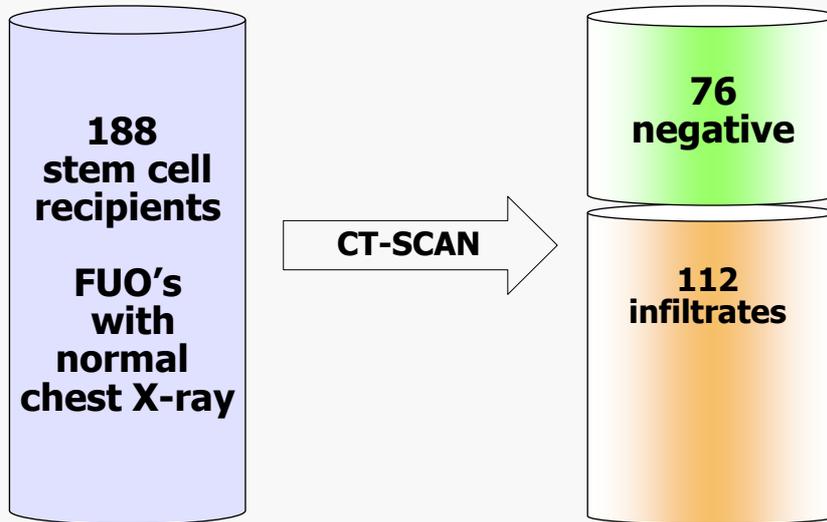
**DIAGNOSTIC DILEMMAS
IN FUNGAL INFECTIONS**

- | Clinical symptoms not characteristic**
- | Manifestations on imaging seldom specific**
- | Biopsy often impossible**
- | Serologic tests not universally available**



VALUE OF HIGH-RESOLUTION CAT SCAN IN THE DETECTION OF PULMONARY INFILTRATES

Heuser et al. J Clin Oncol 1999; 17:796-805

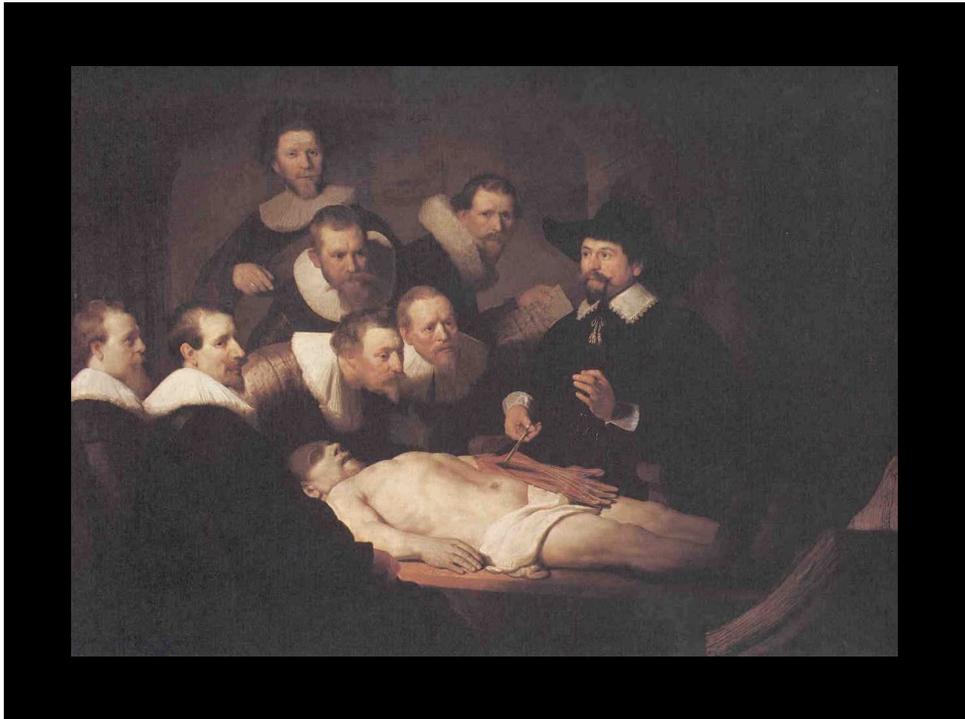


COMPARISON SEROLOGICAL TEST FOR THE DETECTION OF ASPERGILLOSIS

Kawazu et al. J Clin Microbiol 2004;42:2733-2741

149 episodes in 96 patients with hematological malignancy

	sensitivity	P.P.V.
Galactomannan ELISA (cut-off 0.6)	100%	55%
PCR	55%	40%
Glucan-test	55%	40%



AUTOPSY SURVEY ASPERGILLUS INFECTIONS

Bodey et al. Eur J Clin Microbiol Infect Dis 1992

TOTAL AUTOPSIES **4,096**
FUNGAL INFECTION **455**

% ASPERGILLUS:

BELGIUM	55
CANADA	50
GERMANY	46
THE NETHERLANDS	43
ITALY	29
UNITED KINGDOM	28
AUSTRIA	23
JAPAN	22

OVERALL

30%



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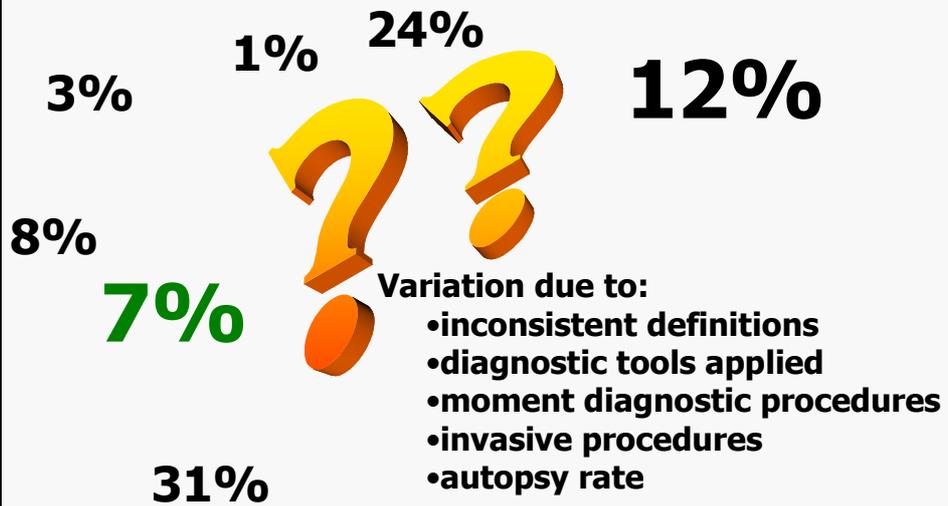
**15-30% OF PATIENTS WITH
INVASIVE FUNGUS AT AUTOPSY
NEVER RECEIVED
ANY SYSTEMIC ANTIFUNGAL THERAPY**



VALUE OF AUTOPSY AS DIAGNOSTIC TOOL FOR ASPERGILLUS INFECTIONS



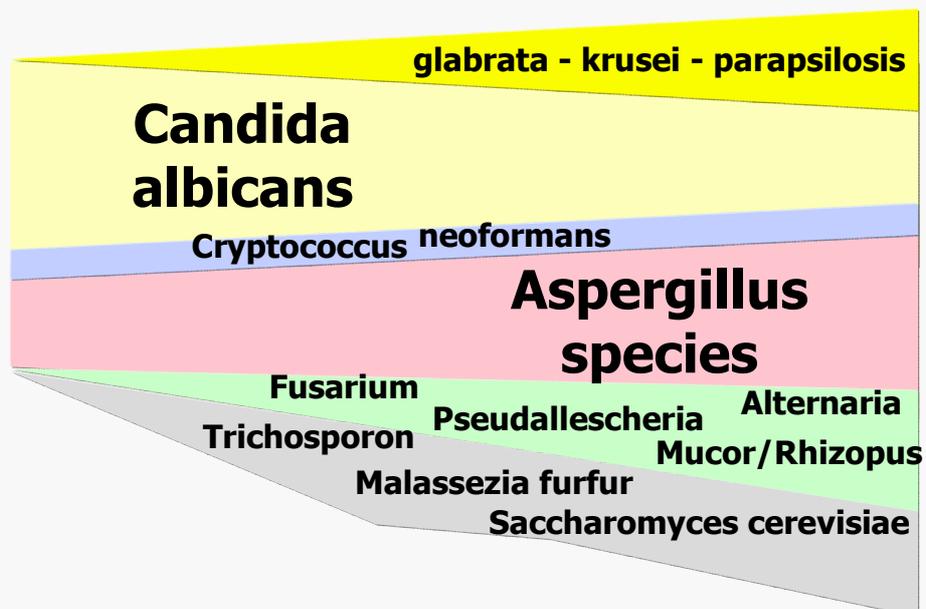
INCIDENCE OF INVASIVE ASPERGILLOSIS



INCREASE IN FUNGAL INFECTIONS

- **higher awareness**
- **better diagnostic tools**
- **more complex interventions**
- **less mortality from other causes**
 - underlying disease
 - better antibacterial therapy
- **more co-morbidity**
(diabetes, higher age, COPD)

EVOLVEMENT OF THE FUNGAL ASSORTMENT



A CHANGING SPECTRUM OF FUNGAL INFECTIONS?

**IMPROVEMENT OF IDENTIFICATION TECHNIQUES,
INCLUDING A HIGHER AWARENESS**

DIFFICULT CASES ARE BETTER REMEMBERED

**CURIOSITIES ATTRACT MORE ATTENTION,
INCLUDING PUBLICATION BIAS**

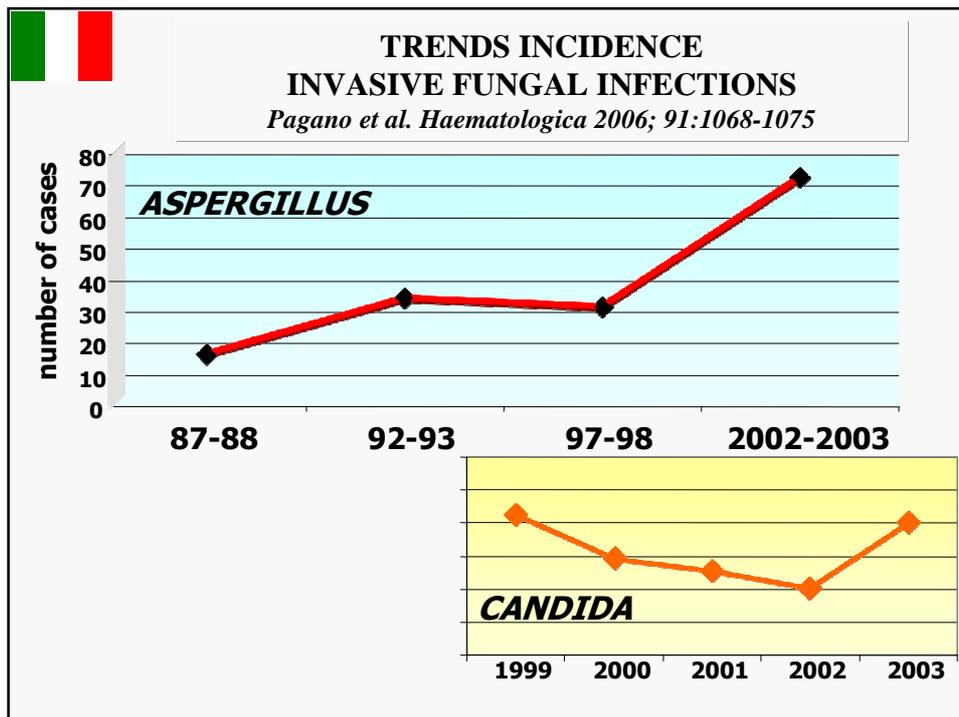


LITERATURE ON CANDIDAEMIA INCIDENCE TRENDS (SINCE 1990)

Courtesy of Frank Odds

<u>Setting</u>	<u>Increasing</u>	<u>No change</u>	<u>Decreasing</u>
Single- & multi-centre surveys	Asmundsdottir '02 Hsueh 2002 Macphail 2002 Poikonen 2003 Schelenz 2003 Yapar 2006	Alonso-Valle '03 Diekema 2002 Duran 2003 Ellis 2003 Hope 2002 Kibbler 2003 Luzatti 2000 Malani 2001 Marchetti 2004 Peman 2005 San Miguel 2005 Viudes 2002	Baran 2001 Boo 2005 Chakrabarti '02 Garbino 2002 Safdar 2002
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Papers published since 2000



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TREAT OR THREAT?





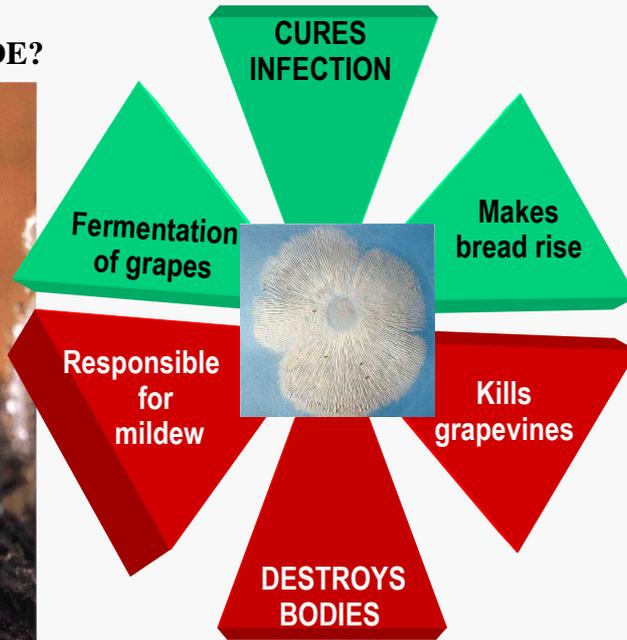
**CLEANING UP
NATURE....**



**WHEREVER
BIO-DEGRADABLE
MATERIAL IS
PRESENT**



**FUNGUS as
JEKYLL and HYDE?**



**OPPORTUNISTIC
PATHOGENS**



DEFENSE SYSTEMS

GENETIC PREDISPOSITION

T-cell function

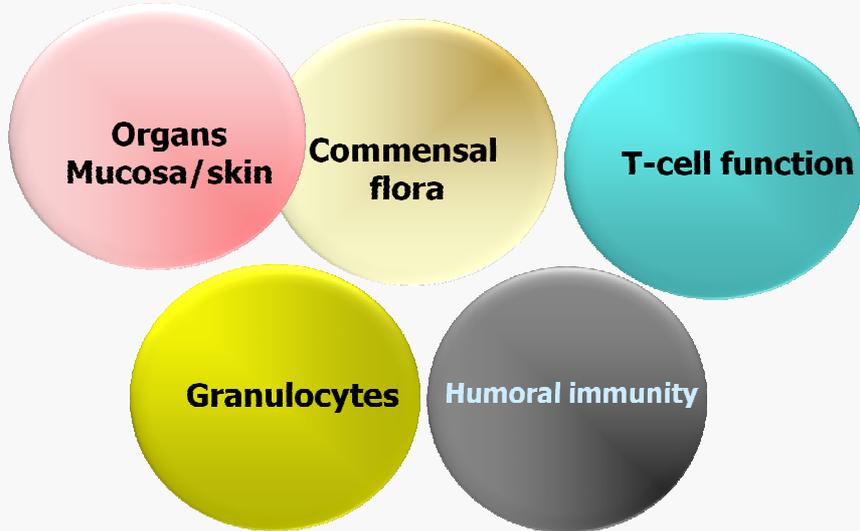
Humoral immunity

Commensal flora

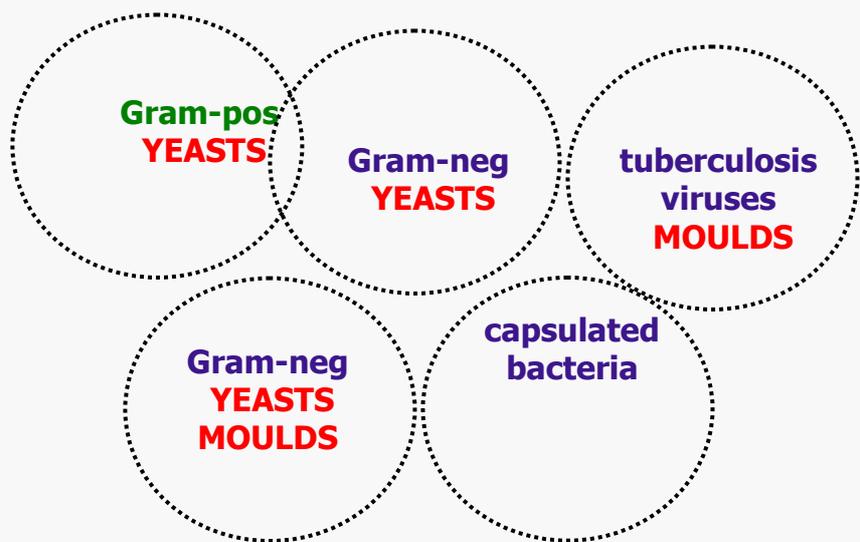
Granulocytes

Organ function: Mucosa / Skin -- Lung -- Kidney -- Liver

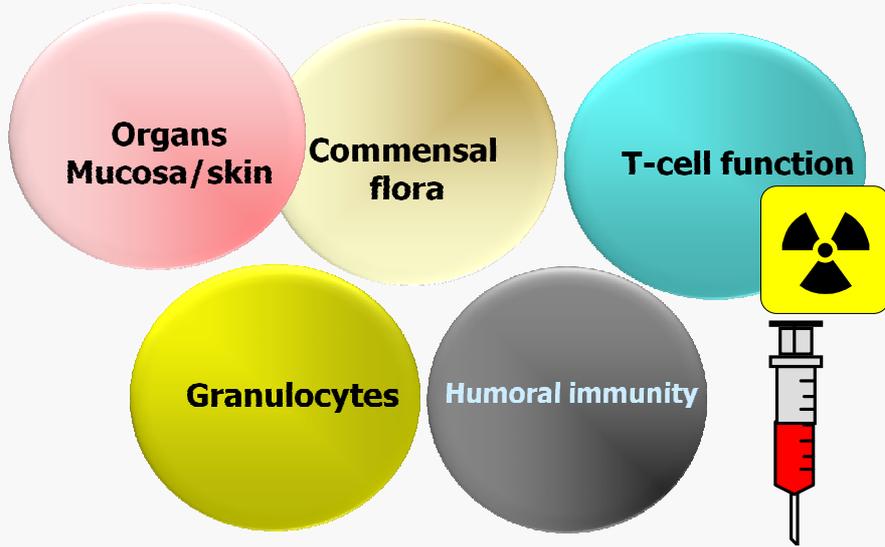
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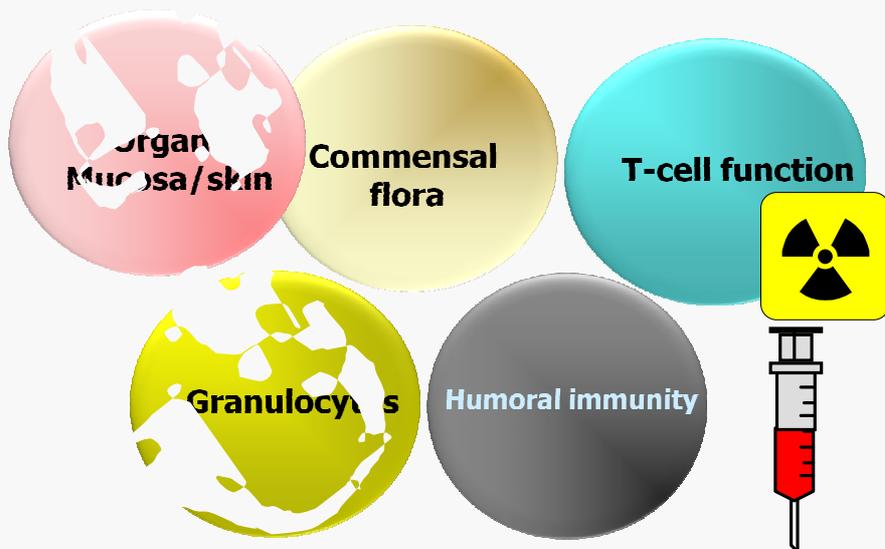
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**Gram-pos
YEASTS**

**Commensal
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T-cell function

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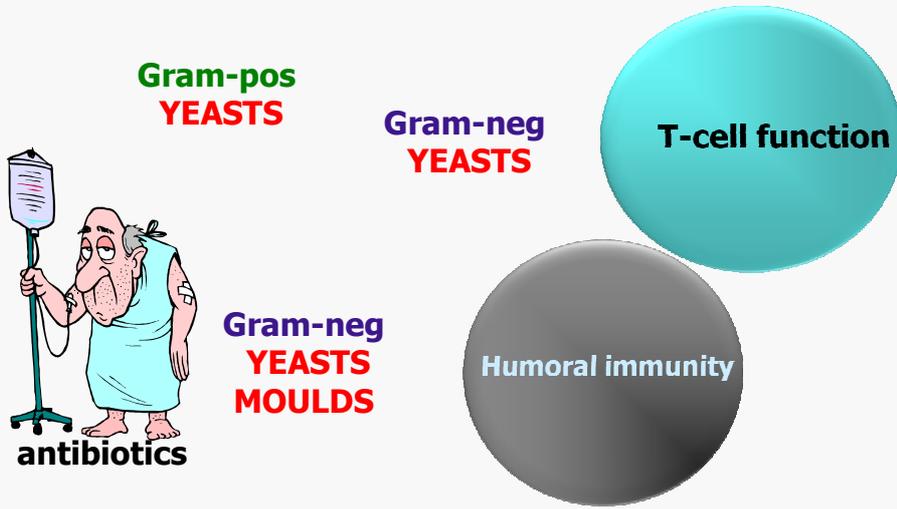
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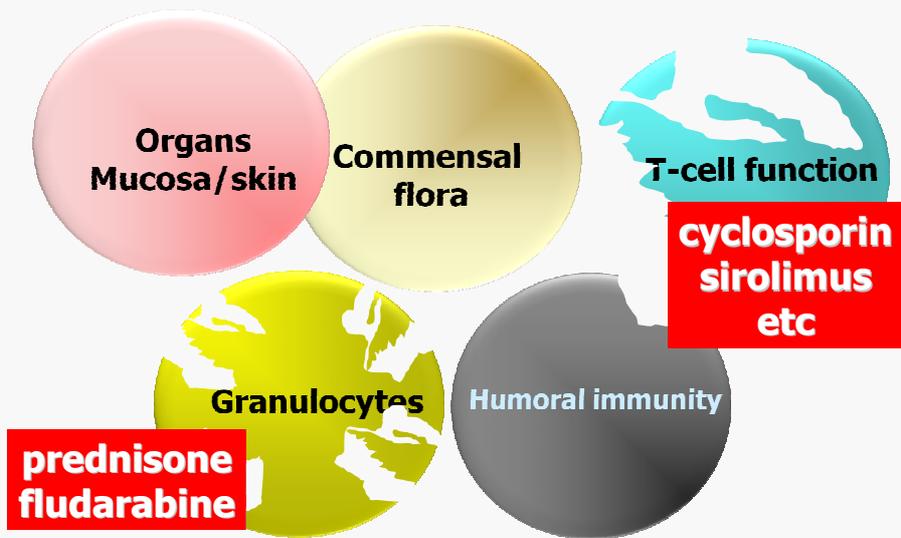
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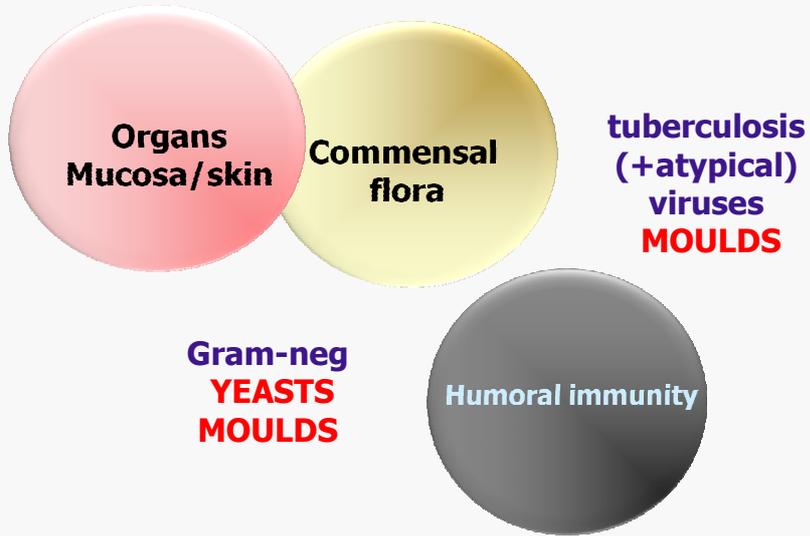
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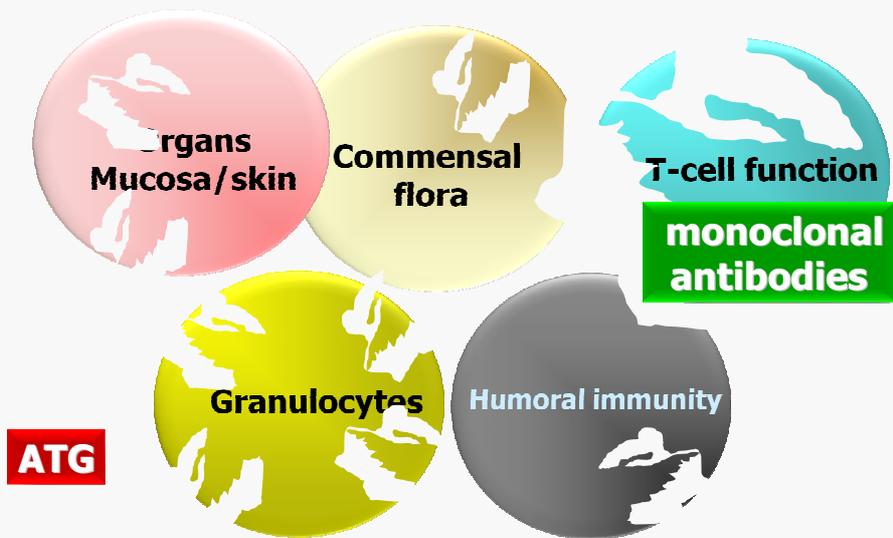
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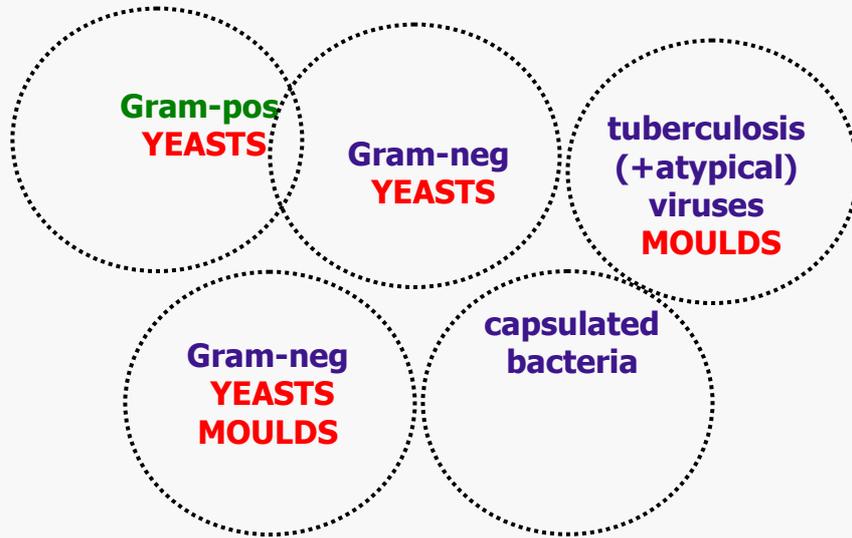
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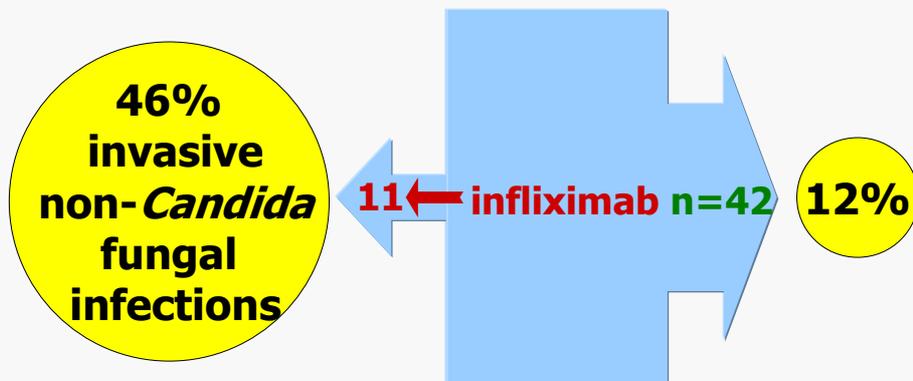
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INFLIXIMAB AND FUNGAL INFECTIONS DURING STEM CELL TRANSPLANTS

Marty et al. Blood 2003; 102:2768-2776

264 alloBMT → 53 (20%) severe GvHD



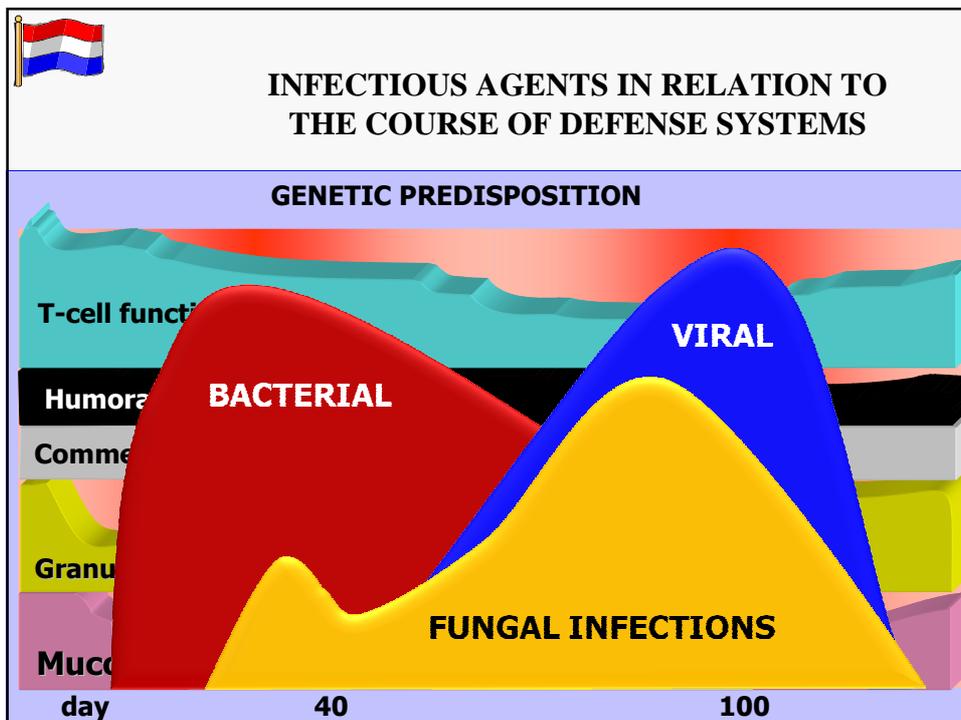
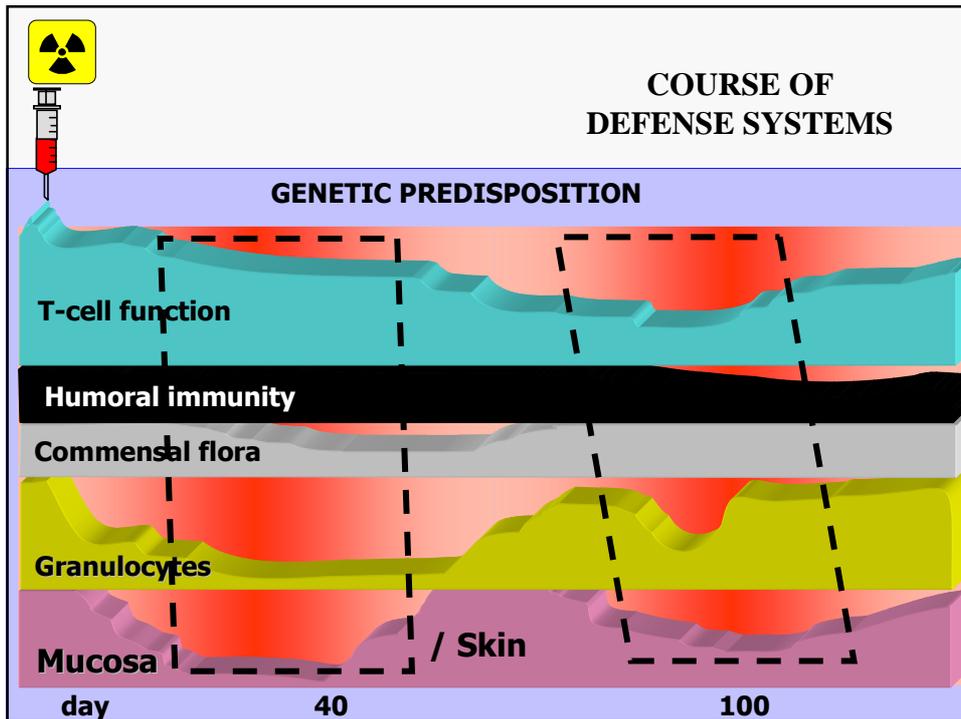


RITUXIMAB AND THE RISK FOR FUNGAL INFECTIONS

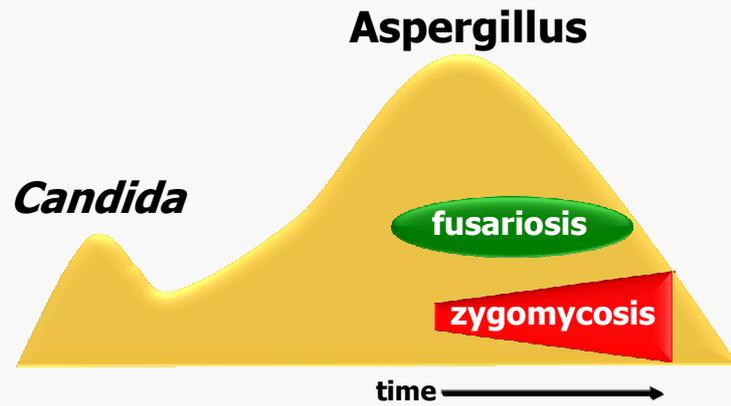
Lin P-C et al. *Ann Hematol* 2007; 86:95-100

RITUXIMAB-CHOP n = 35		CHOP n = 35
56%	complete remissions	46%
78%	infections	70%
71%	bacterial	58%
3%	viral	6%
42%	fungal	17%
(40%)	<i>Candida</i> spp	(17%)
(2%)	others	-





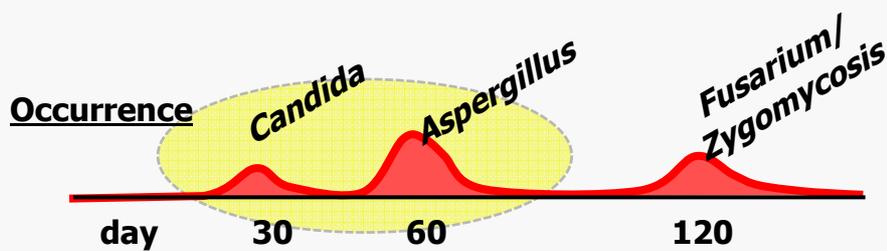
**FUNGI IN RELATION TO DEFECTS IN
THE DEFENSE SYSTEMS**



**TRANSNET 2002-2006: FUNGAL INFECTIONS IN
BONE MARROW TRANSPLANT RECIPIENTS**

Kontoyiannis et al. Clin Infect Dis 2010;50:1091-1100

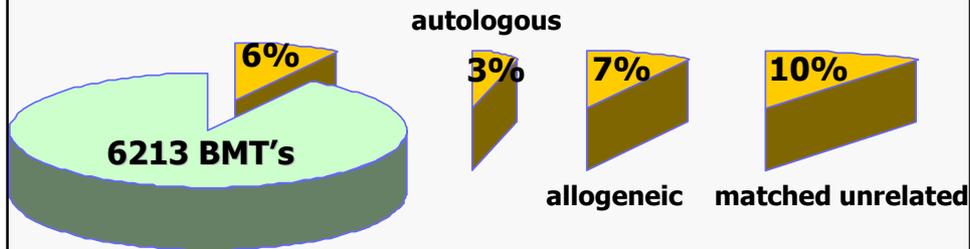
Survey 16,200 transplant recipients





ASPERGILLOSIS IN TRANSPLANT RECIPIENTS

Paterson & Singh. Medicine 1999; 78:123



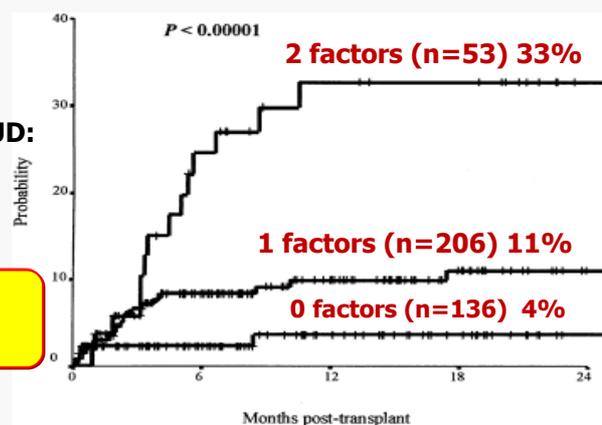
10-15% of all deaths due to aspergillosis



INVASIVE ASPERGILLOSIS IN ALLO- TRANSPLANTS

Marr et al. Blood; Martino et al. Br J Haematol; Jantunen et al. BMT

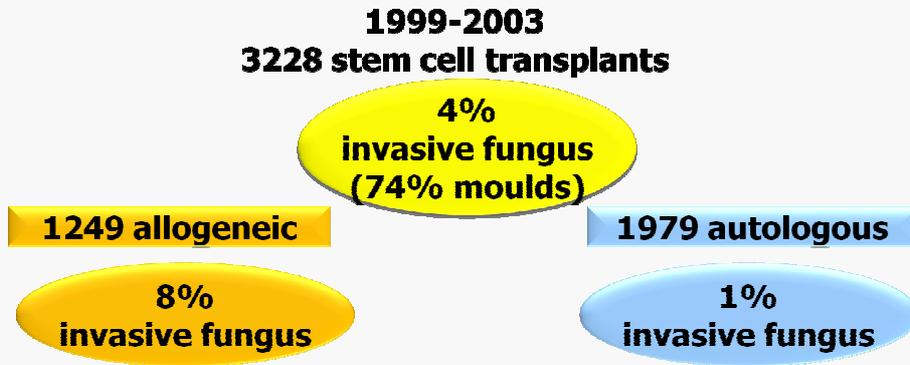
- Older age (> 40 yr)
- Status and type of UD:
AA, MDS, and MM
- Neutropenia
- Acute GvHD
- Chronic GvHD
- CMV disease
- RSV infection
- Corticosteroids > 2mg/kg/day





FUNGAL INFECTIONS AMONG STEM CELL TRANSPLANT RECIPIENTS

Pagano et al. Clin Infect Dis 2007; 45: 1161-1170

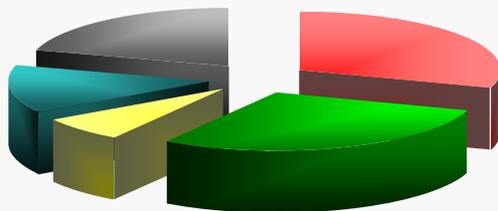


INCIDENCE AND FATE OF ASPERGILLUS INFECTIONS IN ICU UNITS

Meersseman et al. Clin Microbiol Infect 2004;10,Suppl 3:266

1850 admissions 2000-2003
6.9%

Mortality 80%



■ hematology ■ COPD ■ SOT ■ autoimmune ■ miscellaneous

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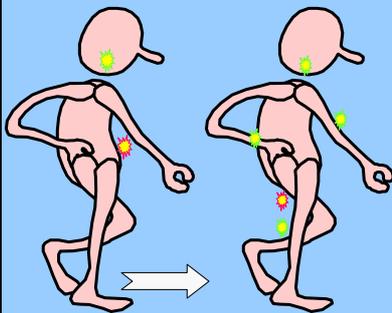
THE DIFFERENCE

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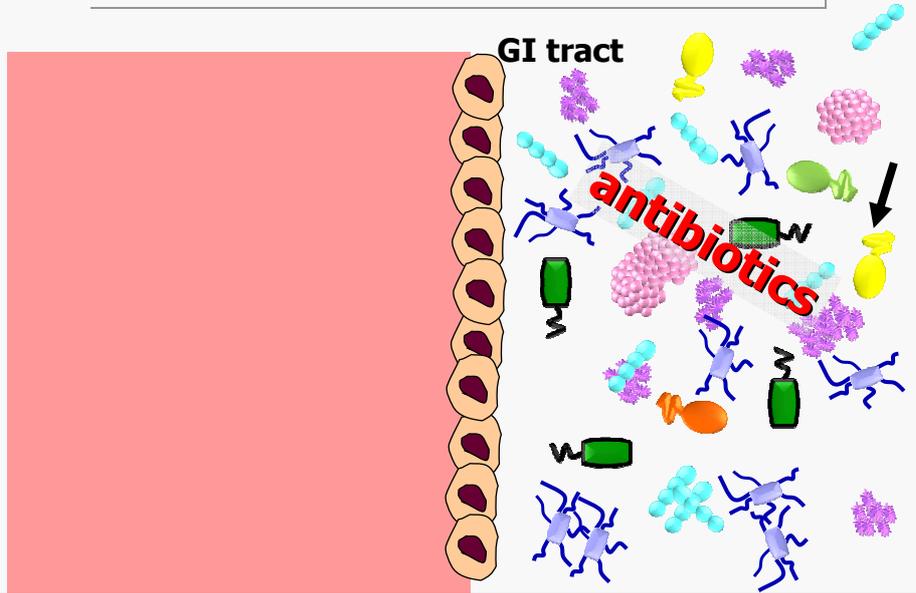
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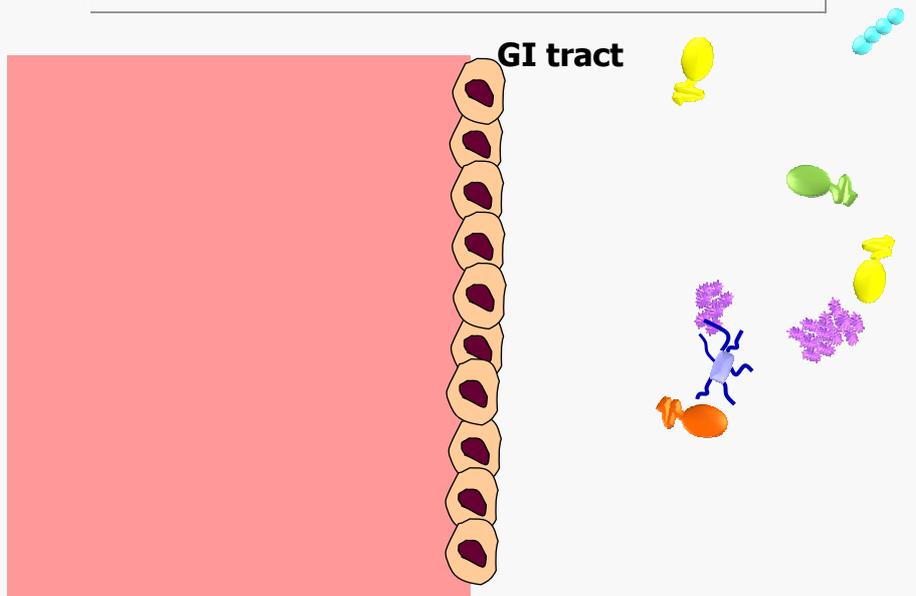
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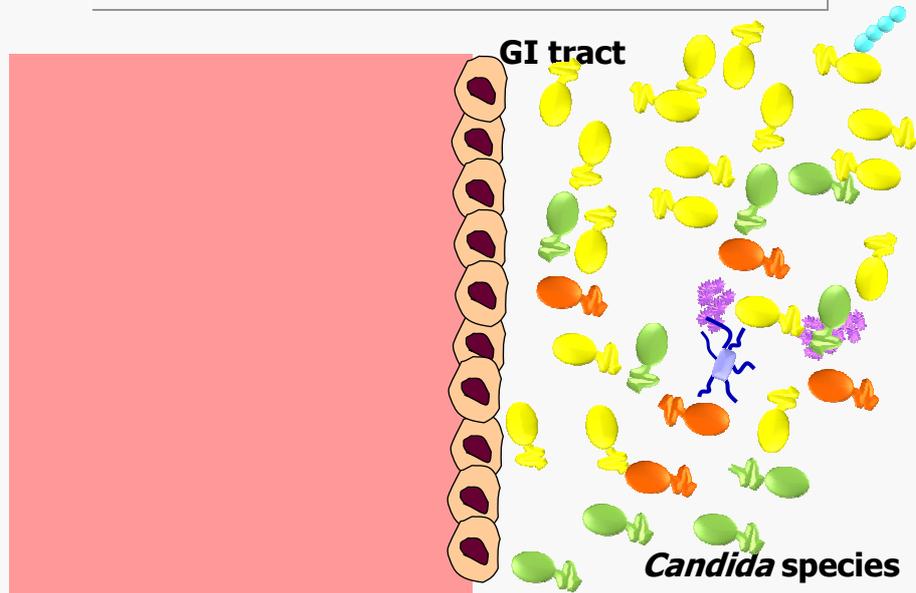
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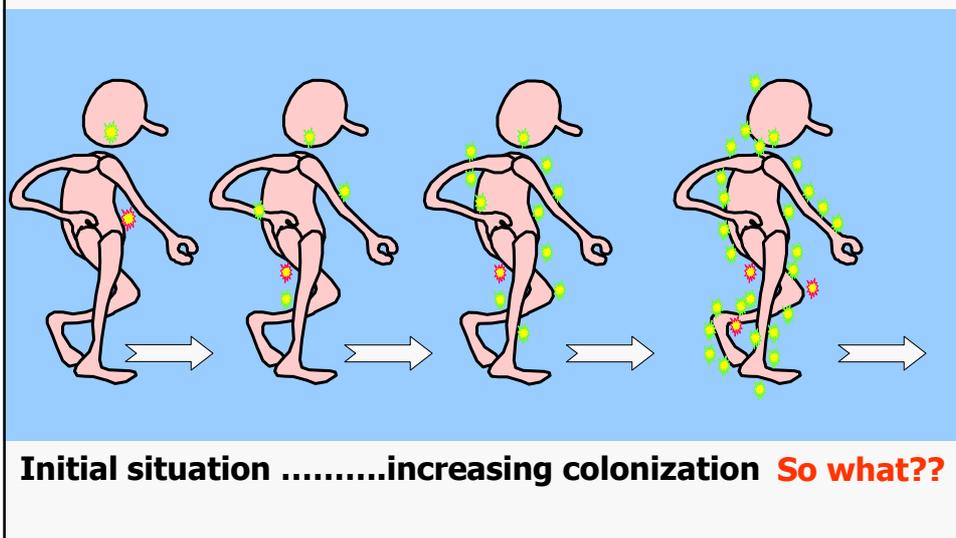


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RISK FACTORS FOR CANDIDA INFECTIONS

Edwards jr JE et al. Ann Intern Med 1978



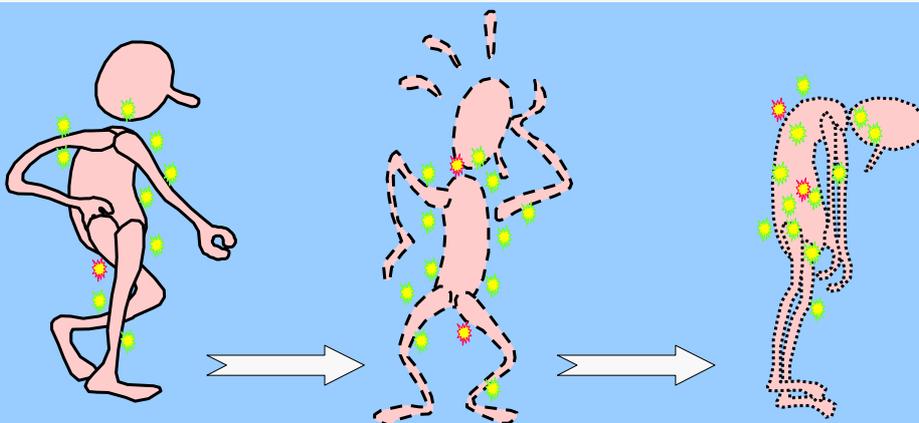
USE OF:

- antibiotics
- immunosuppressants
- hyperlimentation
- polyethylene catheters
- prosthetic devices
- heroin

I AM HERE

TO HELP YOU!!! abdominal surgery

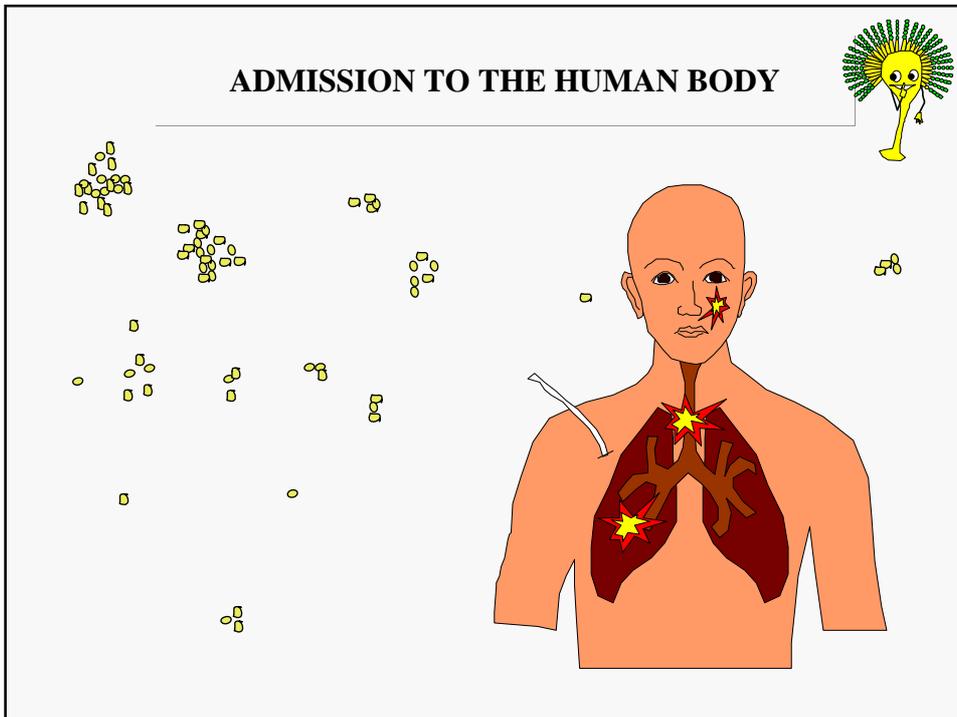
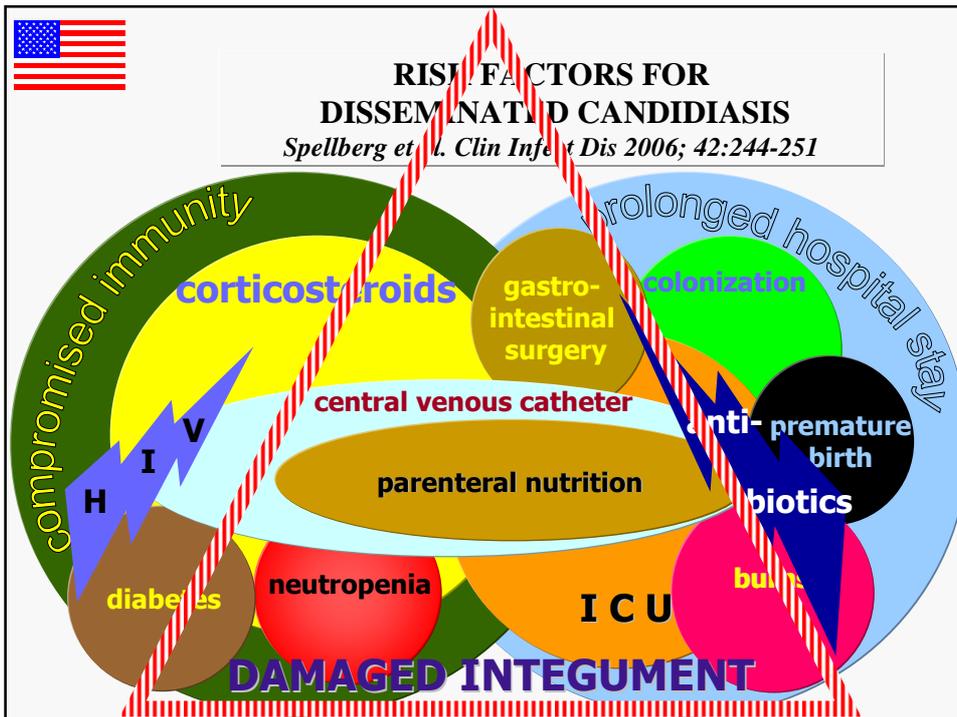
FROM COLONIZATION TO INVASION

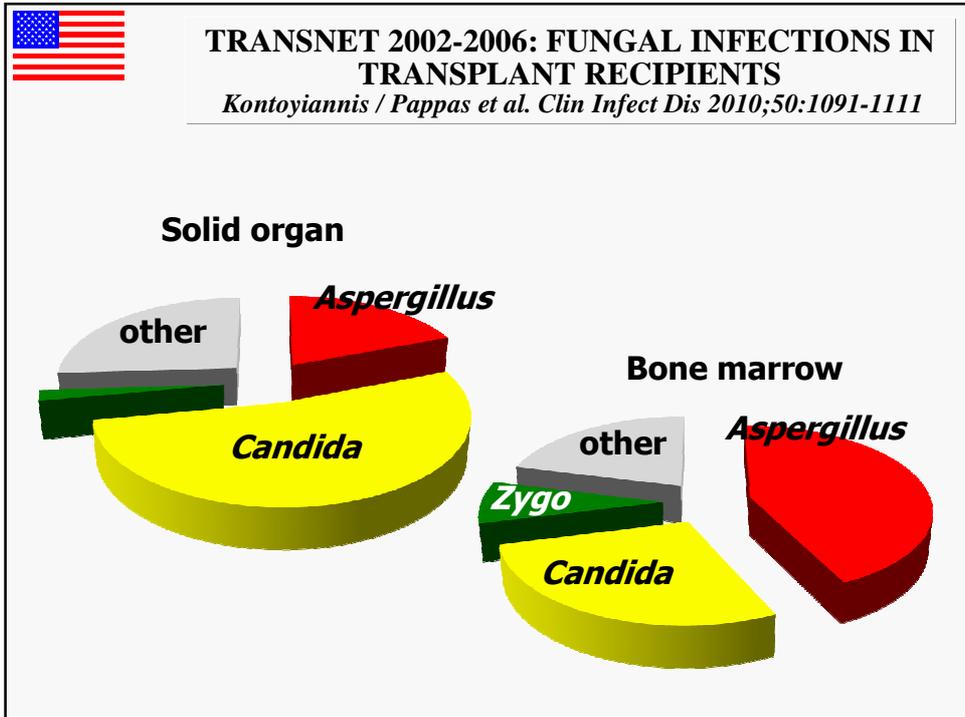
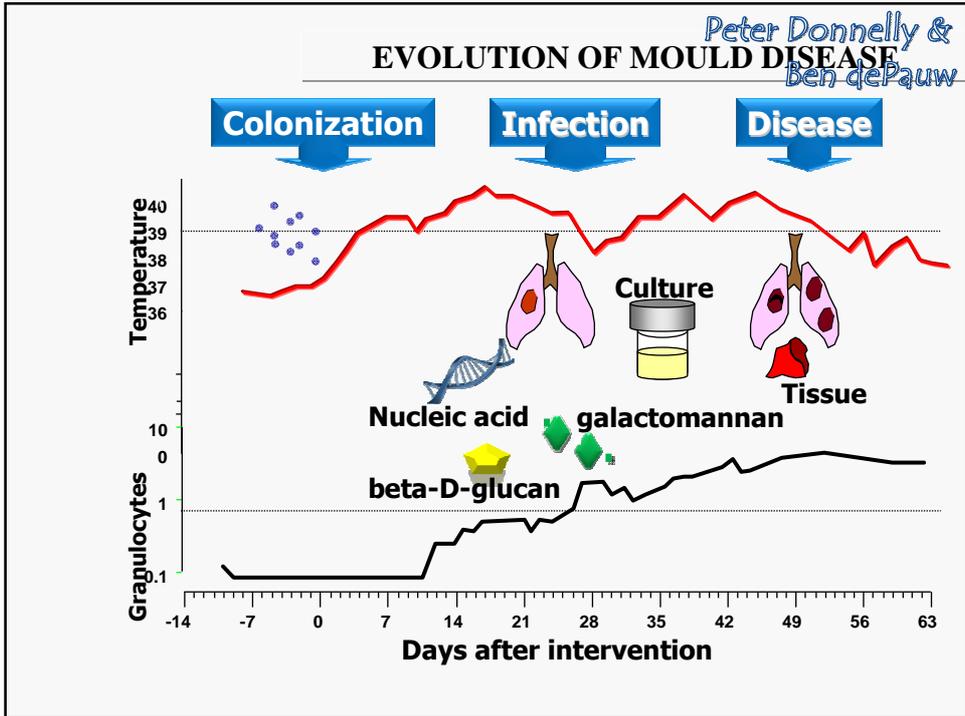


Initial situation

compromised defense

invasion







MORTALITY OF NOSOCOMIAL BLOODSTREAM INFECTIONS IN MALIGNANCIES

Wisplinghoff et al. Clin Infect Dis 2003; 36:1103-10

SCOPE,
1995-2001; 2652 patients

	Incidence %	Mortality %
Coag-neg staphylococci	30	33
Enterococci	14	34
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	11	23
<i>Candida species</i>	9	45
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	8	35
<i>Klebsiella species</i>	7	24
<i>Enterobacter species</i>	3	28
<i>Pseudomonas species</i>	5	36
Viridans streptococci	1	16

MORTALITY OF INVASIVE ASPERGILLOSIS

97%

22%

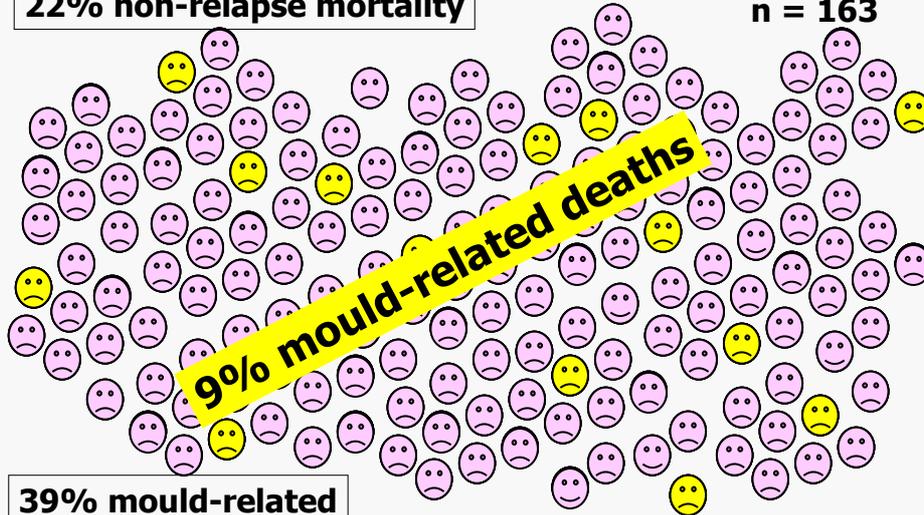


INVASIVE FUNGAL DISEASE AFTER NON-MYELOABLATIVE ALLO-BMT

Fukuda et al. Blood 2003; 102:827-833

22% non-relapse mortality

n = 163



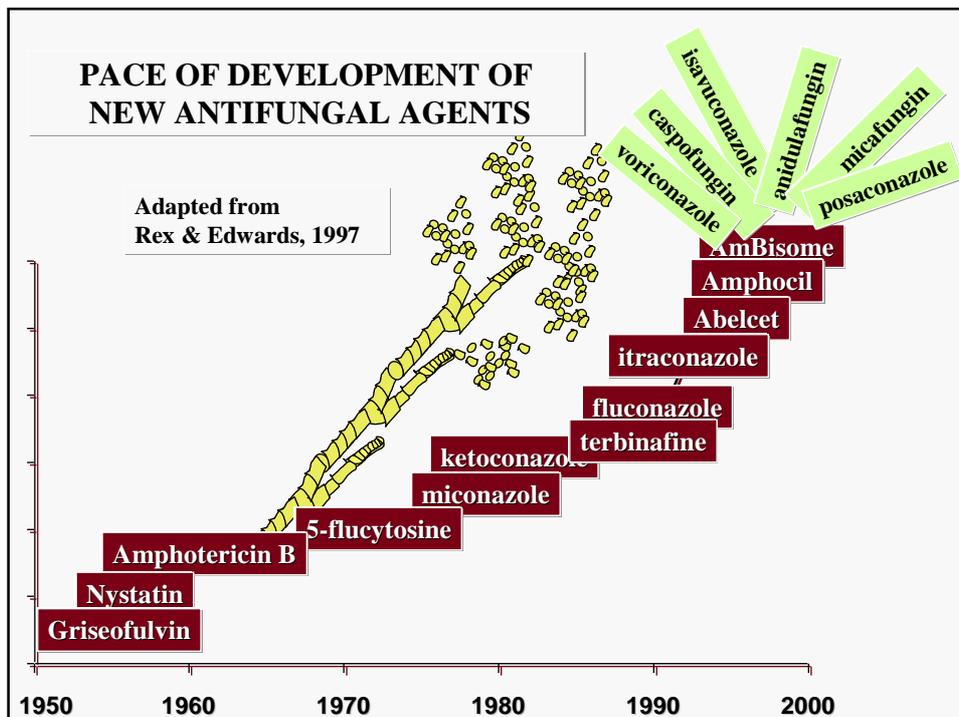
39% mould-related

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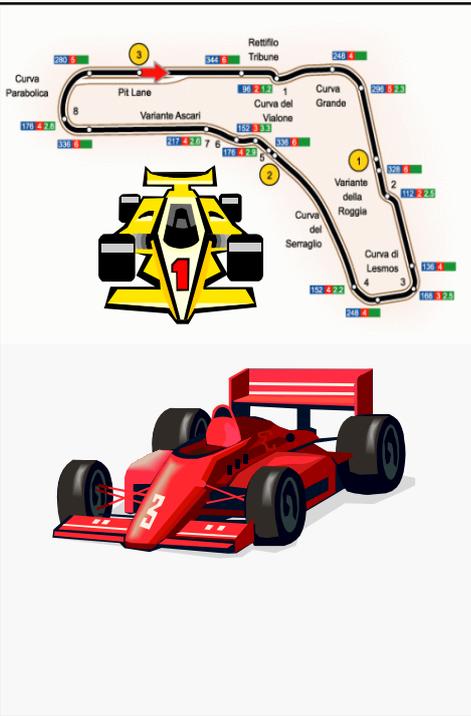
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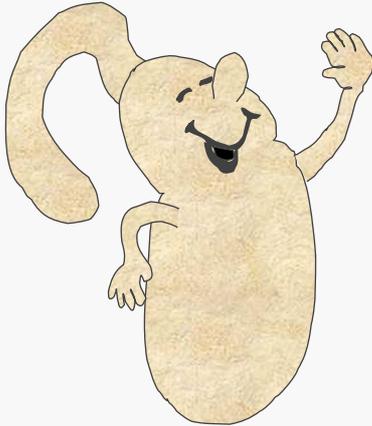
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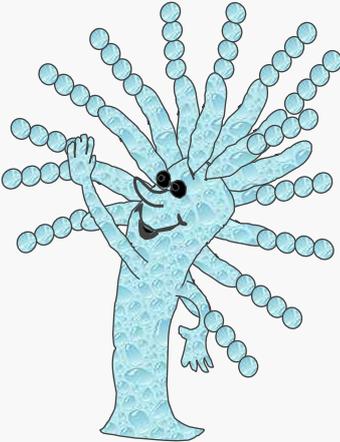
EFFICACY
versus
EFFICIENCY



WELCOME TO MYCOLOGY

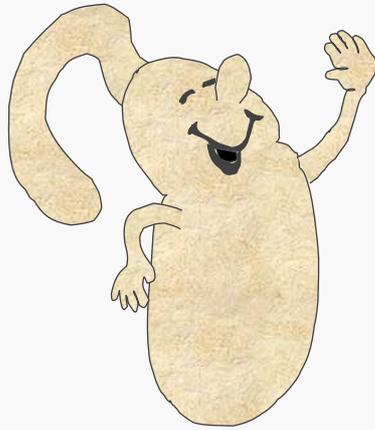


YEAST



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COMPARISON OF RESULTS FROM
CLINICAL TRIALS ON CANDIDEMIA

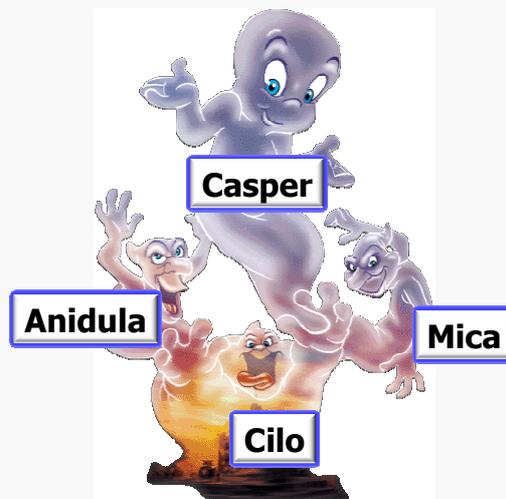
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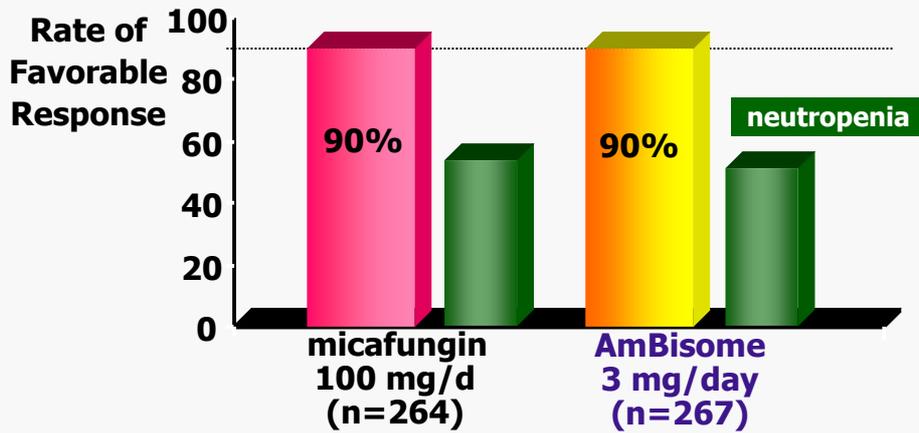




MICAFUNGIN vs AMBISOME FOR CANDIDEMIA AND INVASIVE CANDIDOSIS

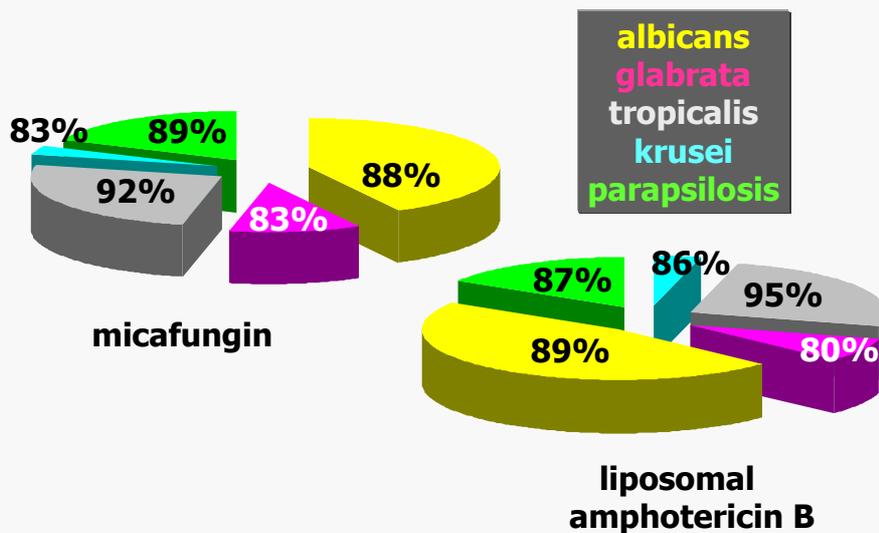
Kuse et al. Lancet 2007; 369:1519-1527

Double-blind comparison, n = 541



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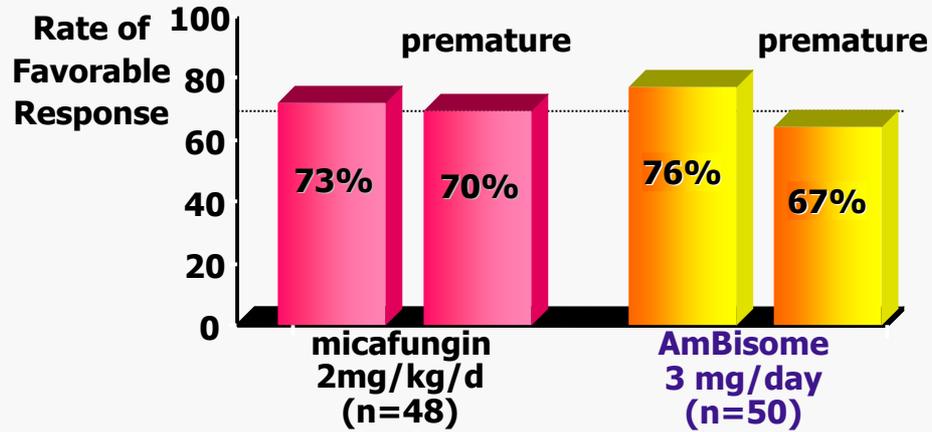




MICAFUNGIN versus AMBISOME IN CHILDREN WITH INVASIVE CANDIDOSIS

Queiroz-Telles et al. Pediatr Infect Dis J 2008;27:820-827

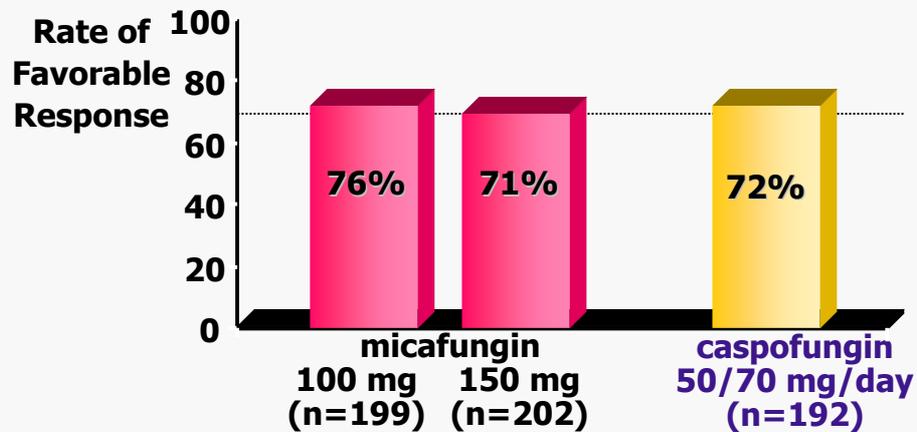
Double-blind comparison, n = 98



MICAFUNGIN versus CASPOFUNGIN FOR CANDIDEMIA AND INVASIVE CANDIDOSIS

Pappas et al. Clin Infect Dis 2007; 45:883-893

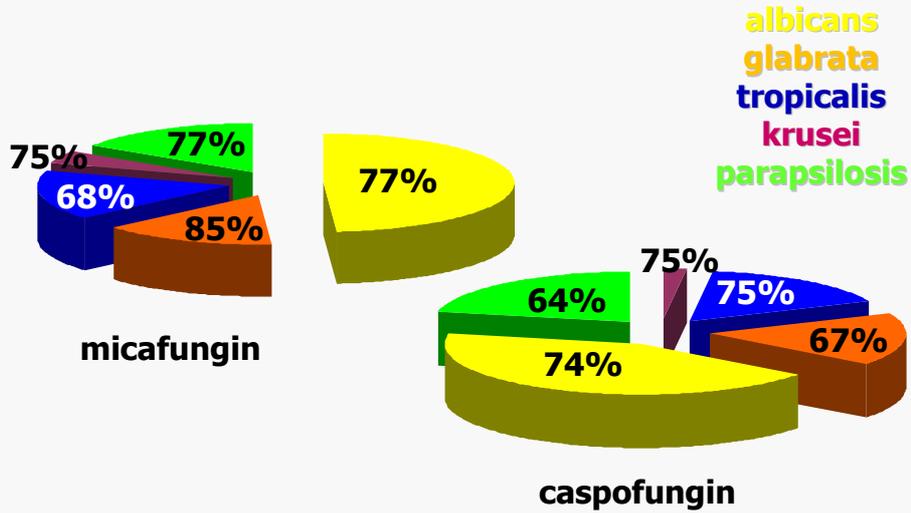
Double-blind comparison, n = 593





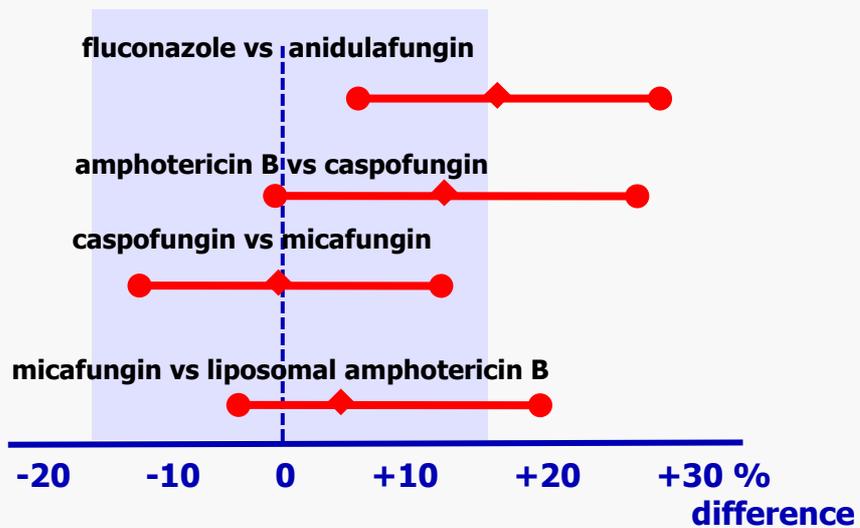
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Pappas et al. Clin Infect Dis 2007; 45:883-893



ECHINOCANDINS FOR INVASIVE CANDIDIASIS

Glöckner et al. Mycoses 2009; 52:476-486





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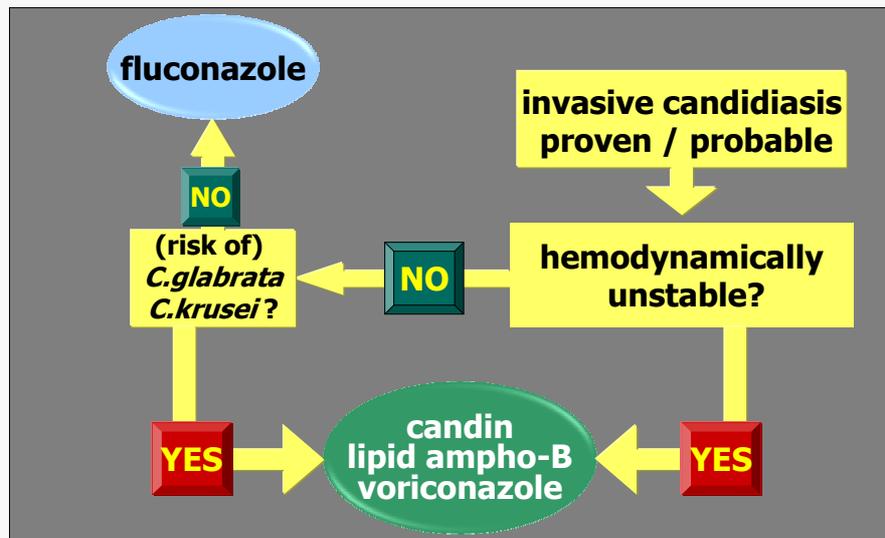
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Anidulafungin	76%	23%
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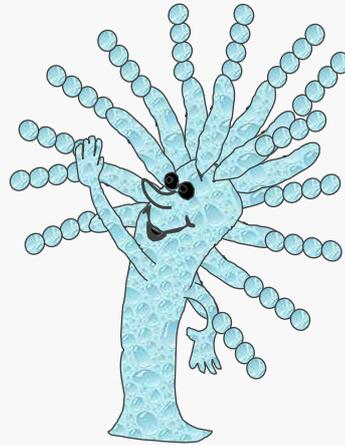
STRATEGY FOR THE TREATMENT OF DISSEMINATED CANDIDIASIS

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Pappas et al. Clin Infect Dis 2009; 48:503-535



WELCOME TO MYCOLOGY



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PROPHYLAXIS

EMPIRICAL THERAPY

THERAPY

**POSA
CONAZOLE**

**CASPO
FUNGIN
-
LIPOSOMAL
AMPHO B**

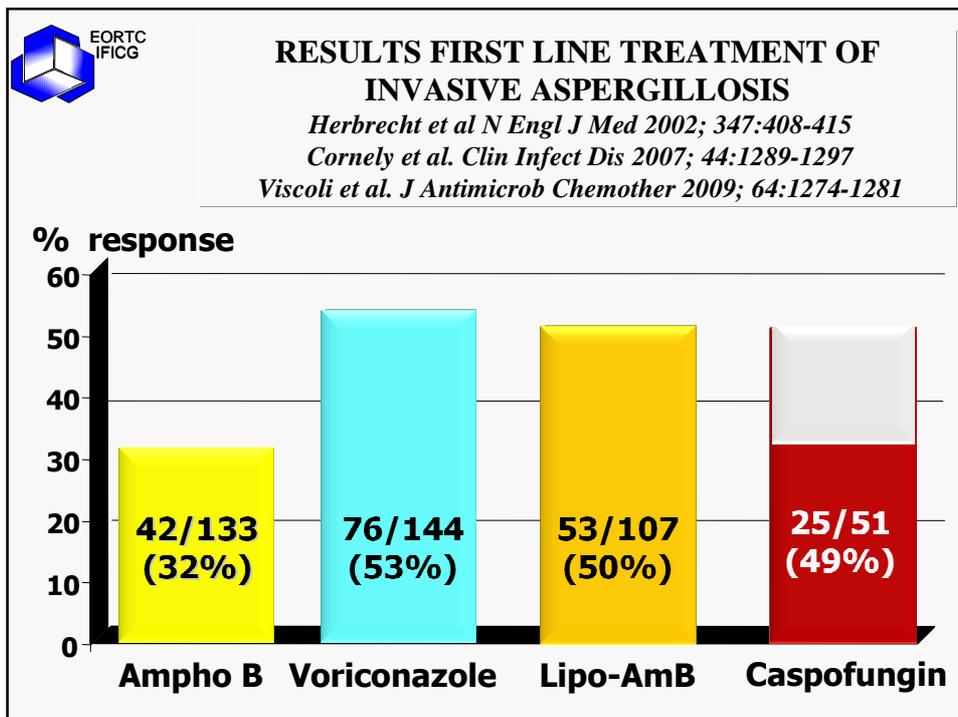
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CONAZOLE**

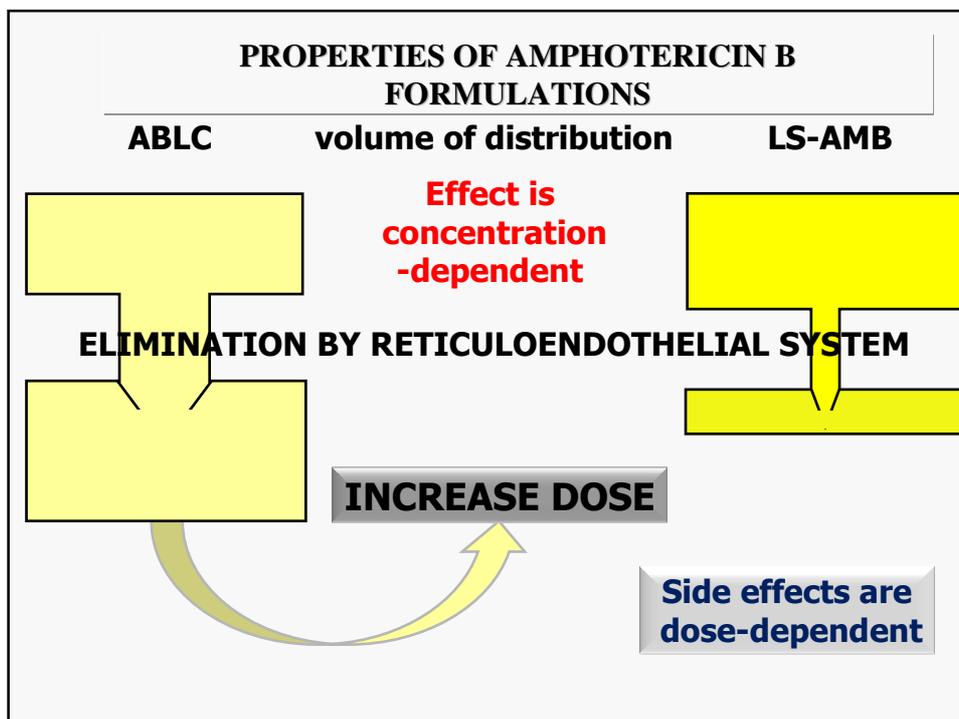
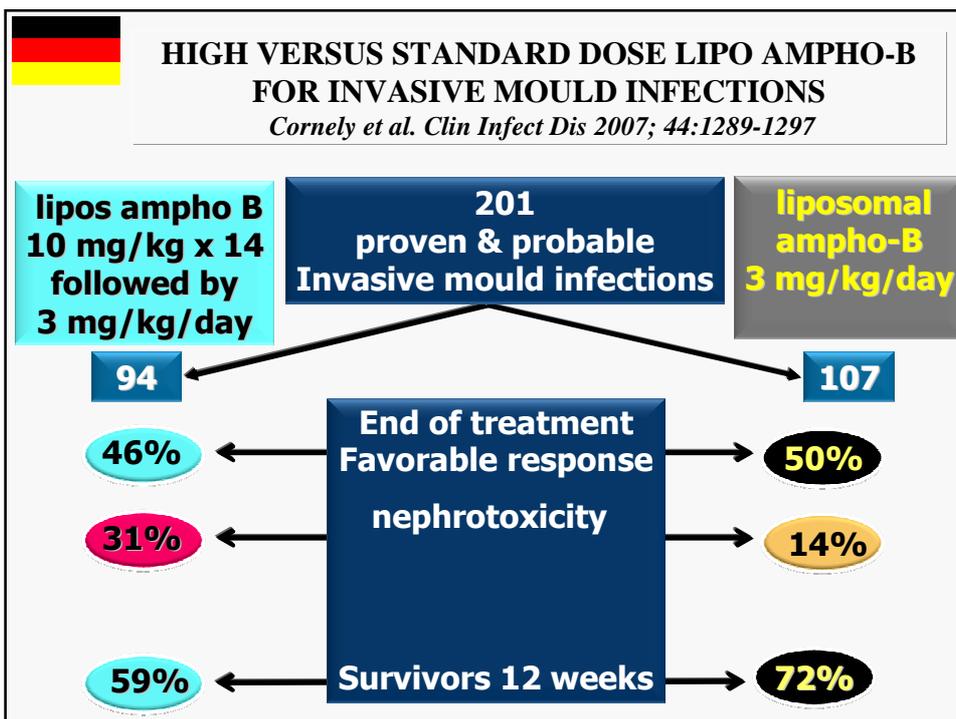
ANTI-ASPERGILLUS DRUGS

INDICATION NOT RELEVANT !!!

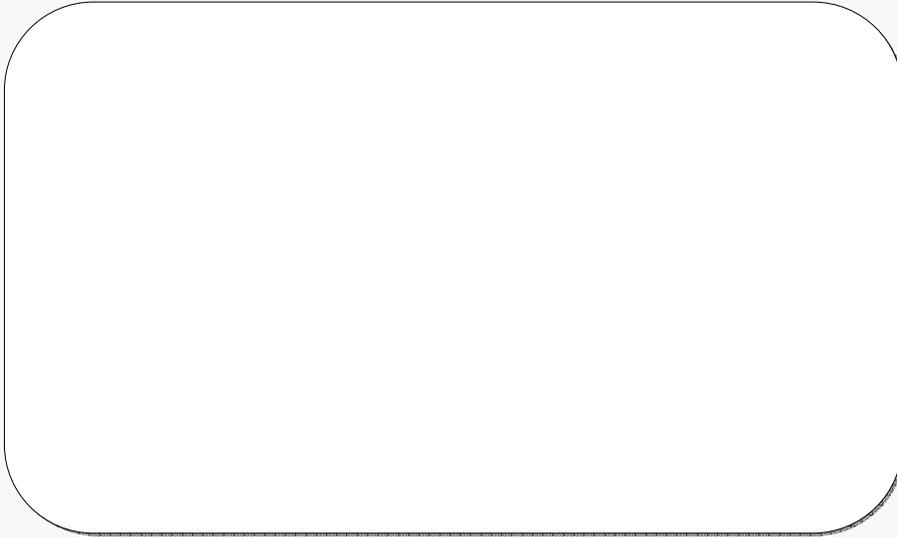
Selection criteria:

- Established efficacy in proven disease
- Safety and compatibility / interaction



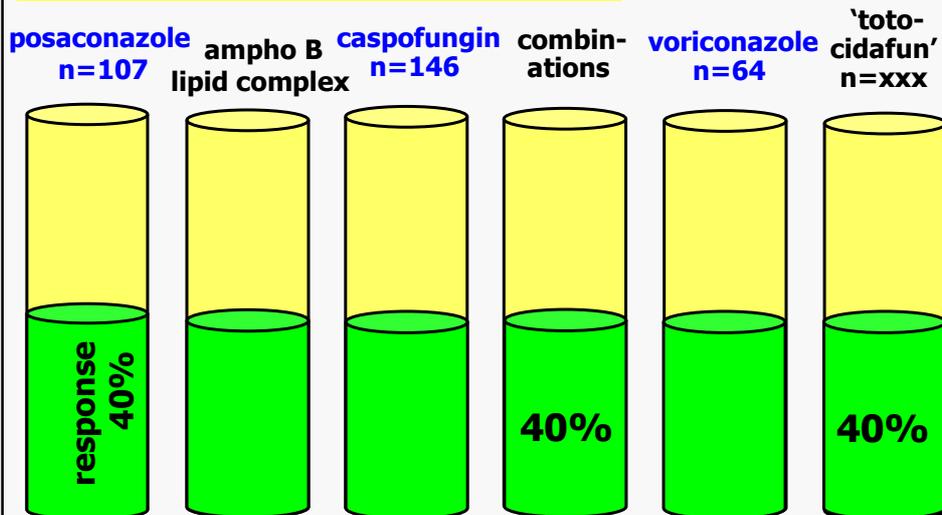


**ABELCET - POSACONAZOLE
TRIALS FIRST LINE TREATMENT ASPERGILLOSIS**

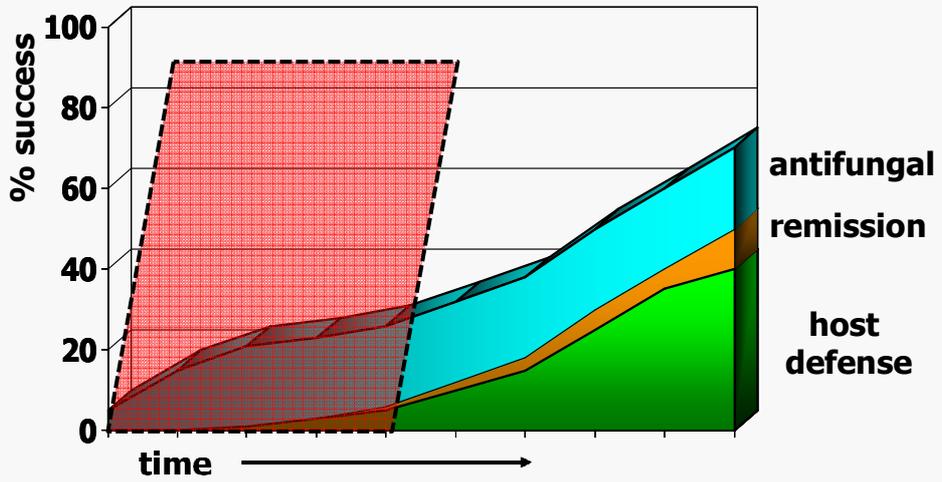


SALVAGE FOR INVASIVE ASPERGILLOSIS

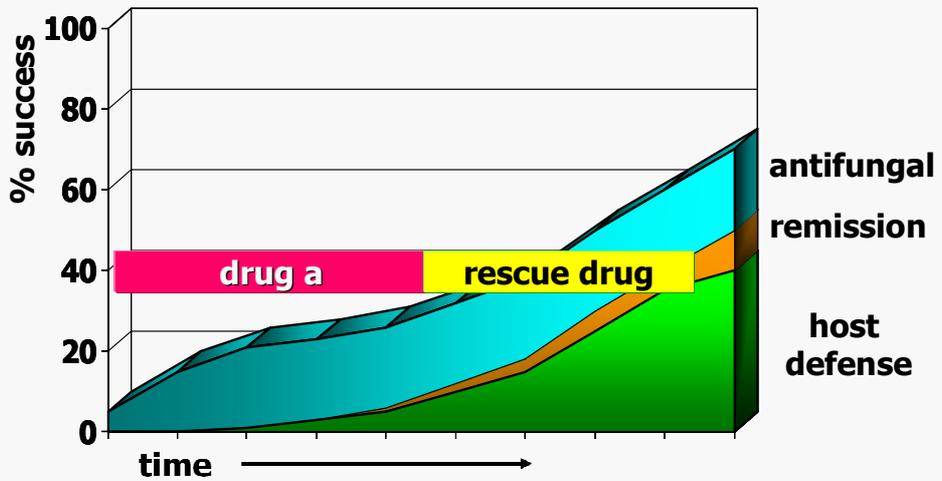
Refractory / intolerant amphotericin B



EVOLUTION OF ELEMENTS DETERMINING SUCCESS OR FAILURE



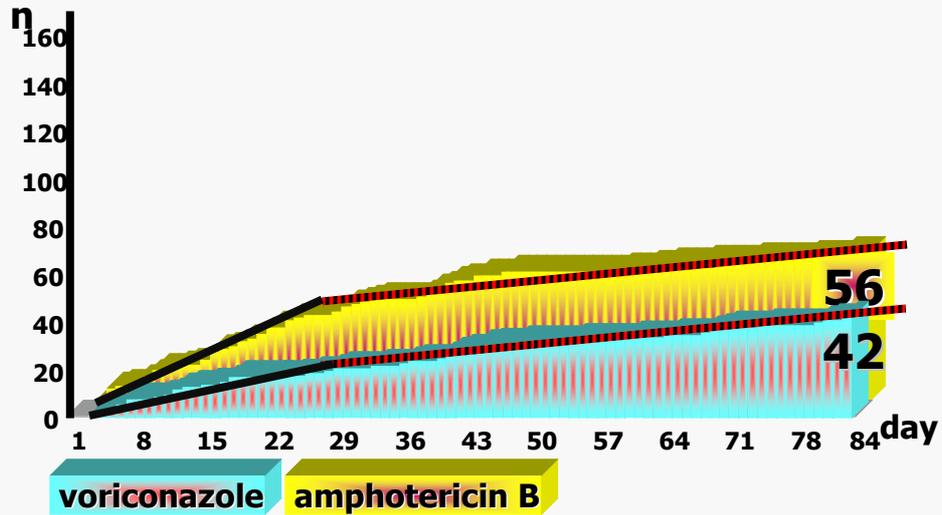
CONSIDERATIONS ON THE EXPLORATION OF 'RESCUE' THERAPY





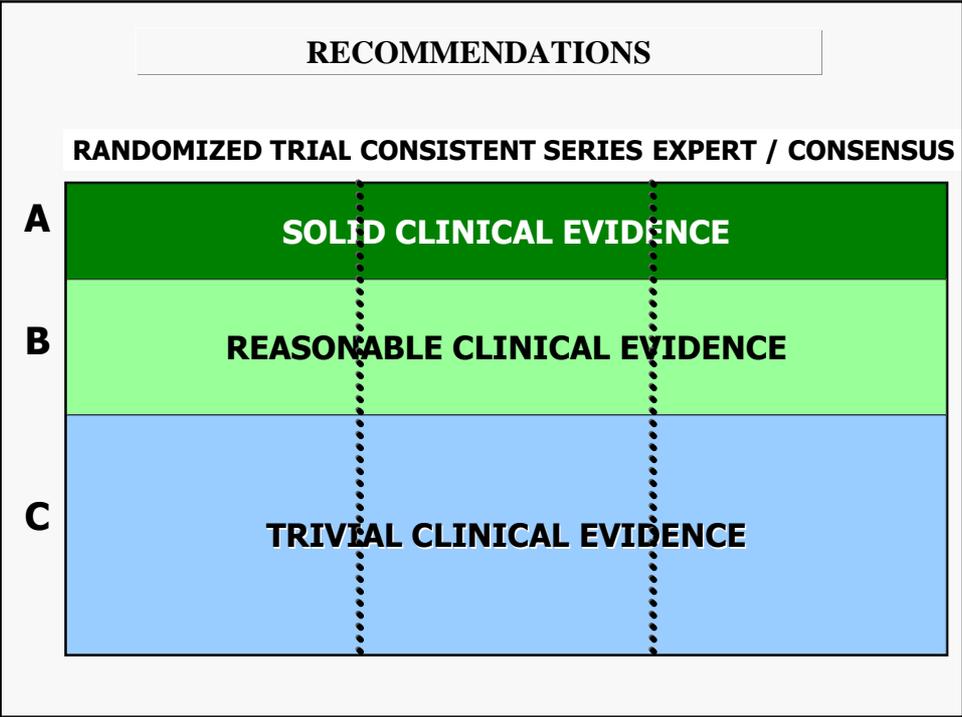
VORICONAZOLE VERSUS AMPHOTERICIN B FOR INVASIVE ASPERGILLOSIS: MORTALITY OVER TIME

Herbrecht et al N Engl J Med 2002; 347:408-15



HAPPY WITH GUIDELINES?





RECOMMENDATIONS

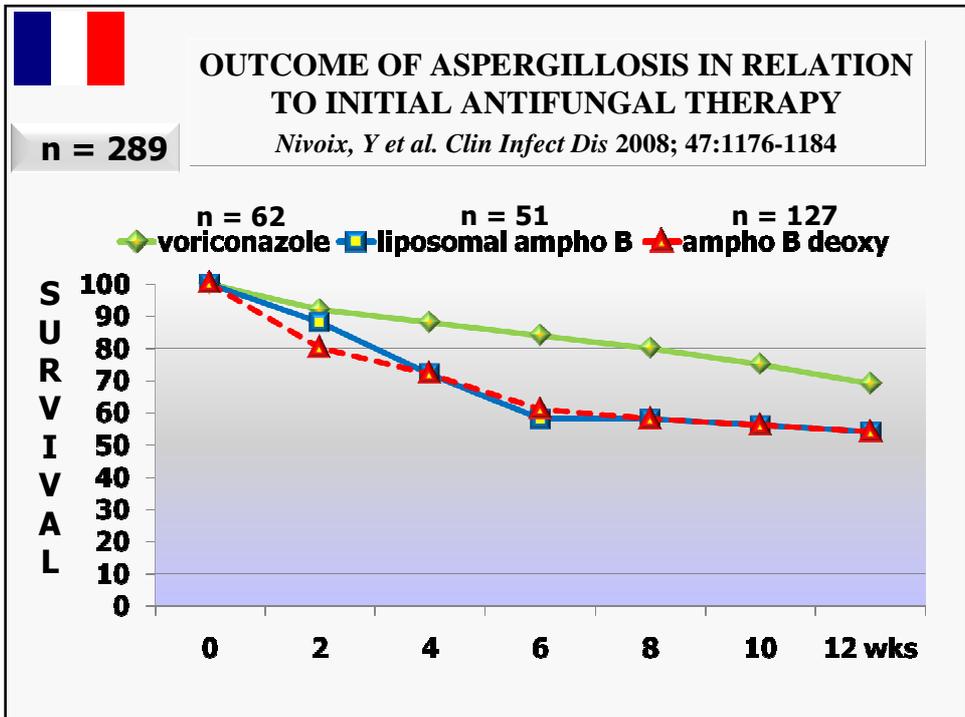
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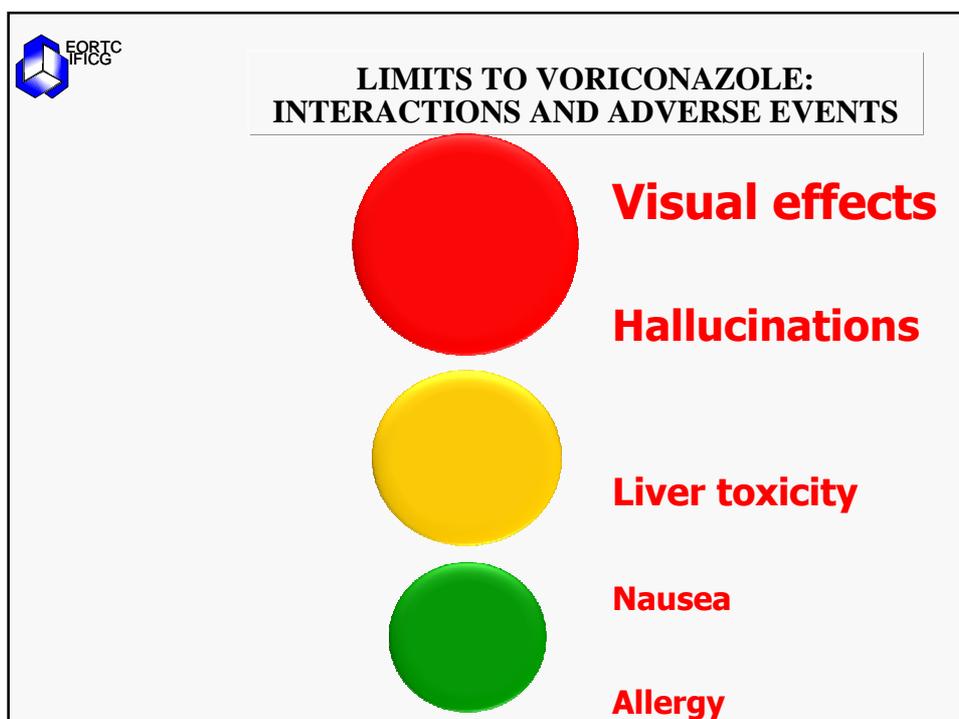
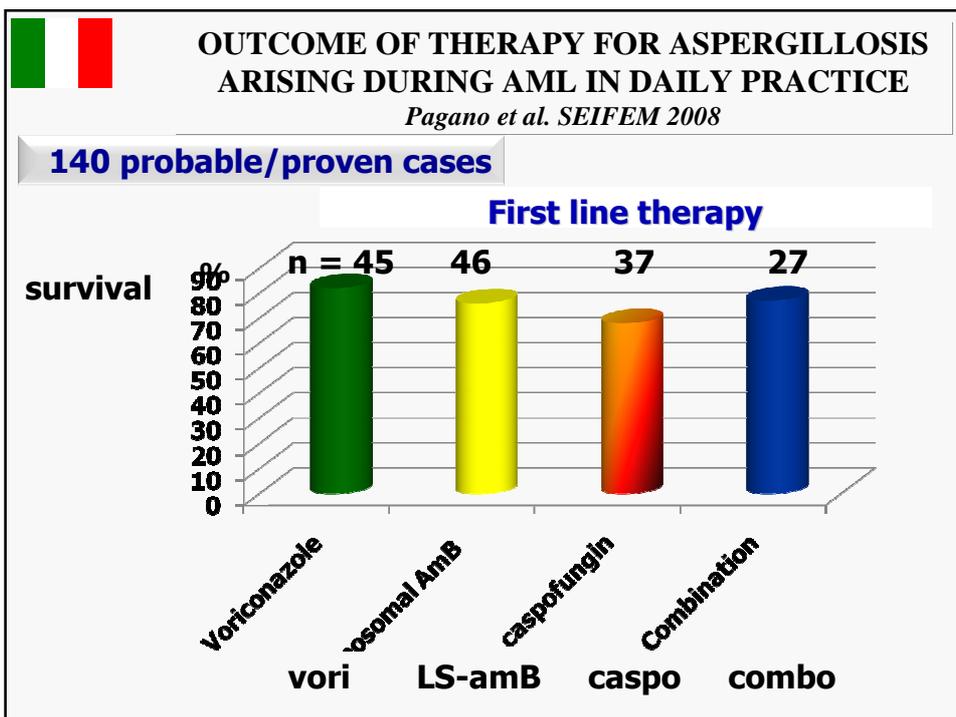
GUIDELINES ON ANTI-ASPERGILLUS DRUGS

DRUGS:	USA:	UK:	ECIL:	AUS:	ITA:
➤ Desoxy AmB	D	D	D	AII	D
➤ LS-AMB	AI	AI	BI	BI	AI
➤ ABLC	-	-	BII	BII	-
➤ ABCD	-	-	D	BIII	-
➤ Itraconazole	-	-	CIII	-	-
➤ Voriconazole	AI	AI	AI	AI	AI
➤ Posaconazole	-	-	-	-	-
➤ Caspofungin	-	AI	CII	BII	-

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➤ ABCD	-	-	D	BIII	-	D
➤ Itraconazole	-	-	CIII	-	-	BII
➤ Voriconazole	AI	AI	AI	AI	AI	AI
➤ Posaconazole	-	-	-	-	-	D
➤ Caspofungin	-	AI	CII	BII	-	BII







LIMITS TO VORICONAZOLE: INTERACTIONS AND ADVERSE EVENTS

-warfarin

-cyclosporin

-tacrolimus

-sulphonureas

-statins

-benzodiazepines

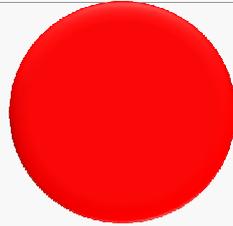
-vinca alkaloids

-sirolimus

-rifabutin

-rifampicin

-terfenadine

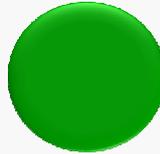


Visual effects

Hallucinations



Liver toxicity



Nausea

Allergy

LIMITS TO THE USE OF PREFERRED DRUGS INTERACTIONS AND ADVERSE EVENTS

Voriconazole:

•Interaction

cytochrome P450 dependent drugs

•Liverfunction

•Pharmacodynamics

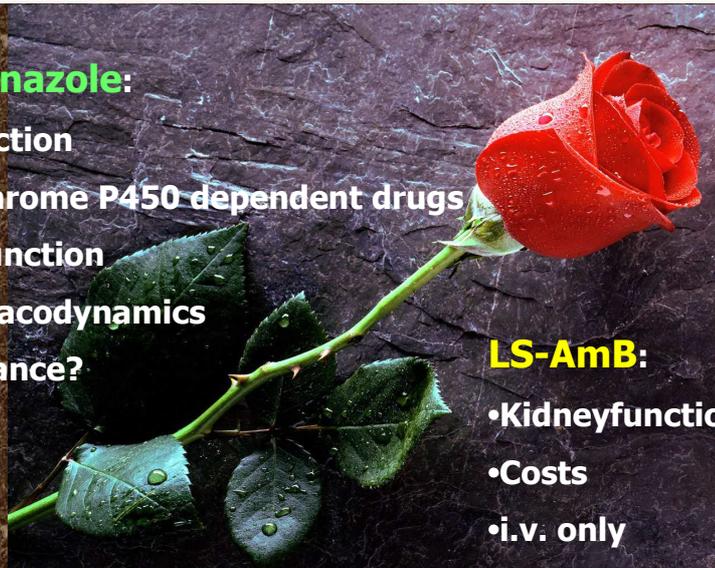
•Resistance?

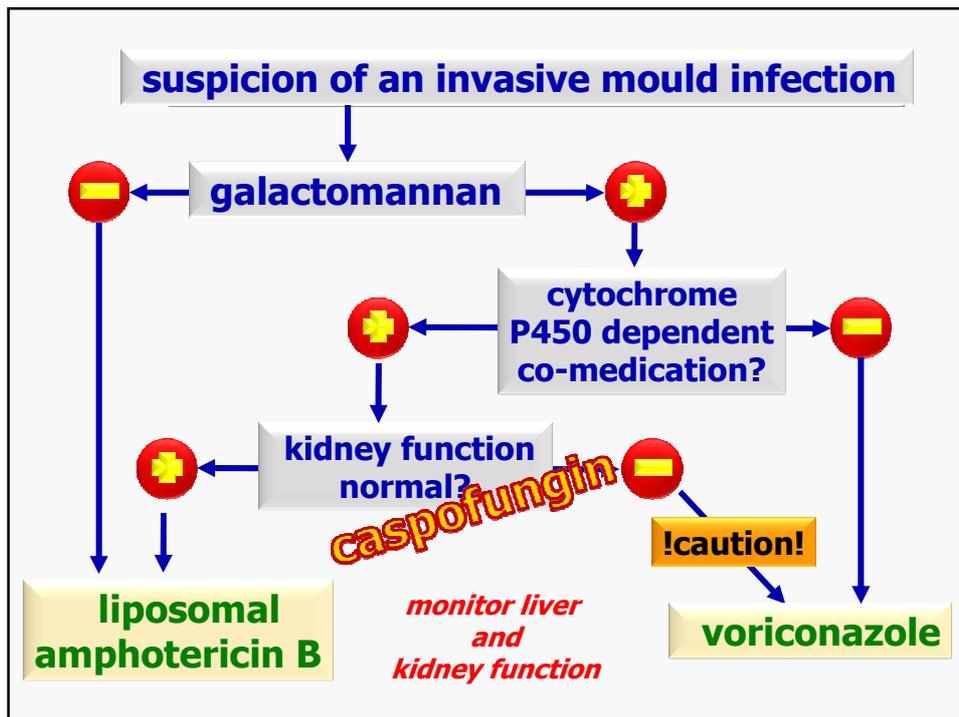
LS-Amb:

•Kidneyfunction

•Costs

•i.v. only





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- ✓ **Introduction**
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MORTALITY IN RELATION TO THE FUNGAL BURDEN

Variation due to:

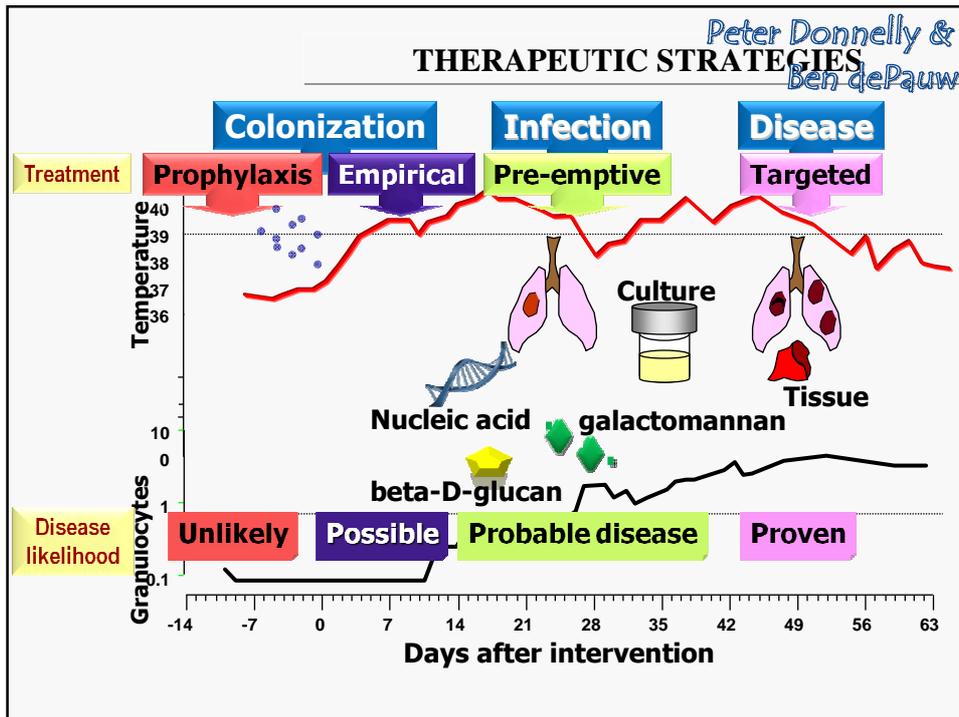
- timely diagnosis
- patients' defense system

22%

97%

FUNGAL BURDEN





PATTERNS OF INVASIVE FUNGAL DISEASE

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Radiological signs & clinical symptoms
Mycology results
Proof of IFD
Proof of IFI

PATTERNS OF INVASIVE FUNGAL DISEASE
Donnelly 2010

Radiological signs & clinical symptoms	No
Mycology results	Negative
Proof of IFD	No
Proof of IFI	No

PATTERNS OF INVASIVE FUNGAL DISEASE
Donnelly 2010

Radiological signs & clinical symptoms	No	Persistent febrile neutropenia
Mycology results	Negative	Negative
Proof of IFD	No	No
Proof of IFI	No	No

PATTERNS OF INVASIVE FUNGAL DISEASE

Donnelly 2010

Radiological signs & clinical symptoms	No	Persistent febrile neutropenia	No
Mycology results	Negative	Negative	Positive bio-marker
Proof of IFD	No	No	No
Proof of IFI	No	No	Yes

PATTERNS OF INVASIVE FUNGAL DISEASE

Donnelly 2010

Radiological signs & clinical symptoms	No	Persistent febrile neutropenia	No	Clinical symptoms
Mycology results	Negative	Negative	Positive bio-marker	Negative
Proof of IFD	No	No	No	No
Proof of IFI	No	No	Yes	No

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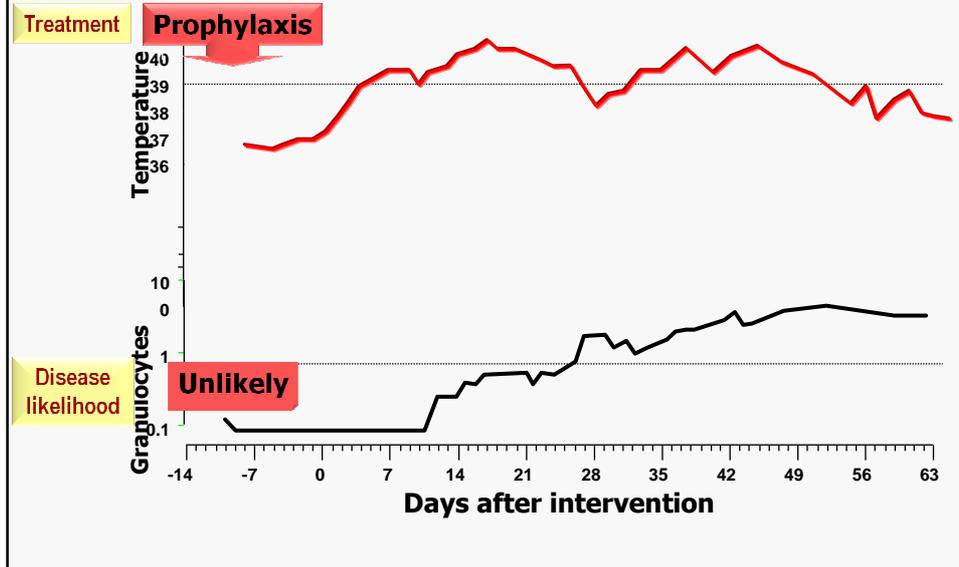
Radiological signs & clinical symptoms	No	Persistent febrile neutropenia	No	Clinical symptoms	Radiological signs
Mycology results	Negative	Negative	Positive bio-marker	Negative	Negative
Proof of IFD	No	No	No	No	Yes
Proof of IFI	No	No	Yes	No	No

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Mycology results	Negative	Negative	Positive bio-marker	Negative	Negative	Positive Biomarker or microscopy or culture
Proof of IFD	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Proof of IFI	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes

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	Prophylaxis					
	No	Persistent febrile neutropenia	No	Clinical symptoms	Radiological signs	Radiological signs and/or symptoms
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Mycology results	Negative	Negative	Positive bio-marker	Negative	Negative	Positive Biomarker or microscopy or culture
Proof of IF	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
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PROPHYLAXIS WITH FLUCONAZOLE IN BONE MARROW TRANSPLANTATION

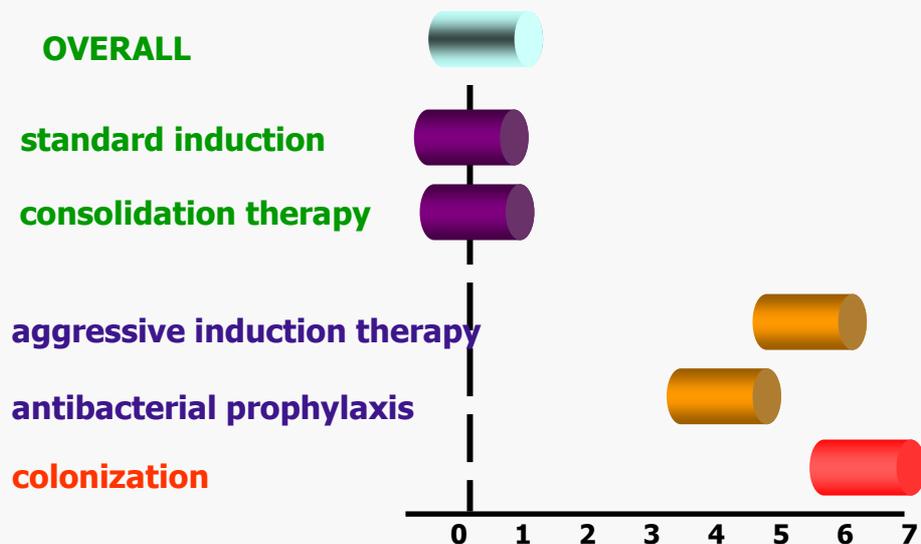
Goodman et al. N Engl J Med 1992; 326: 845

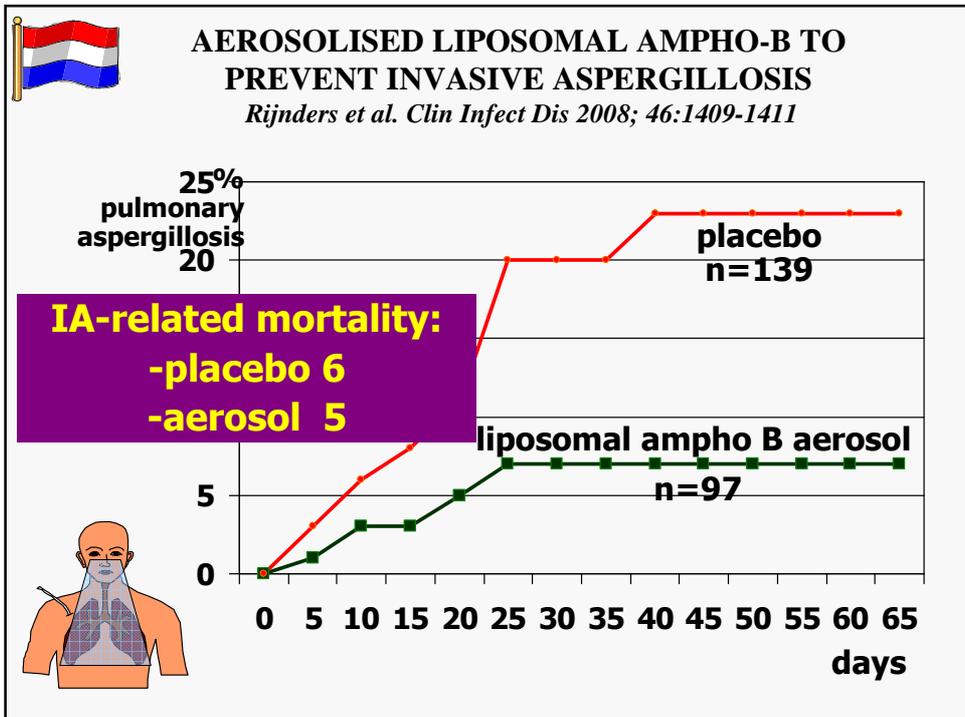
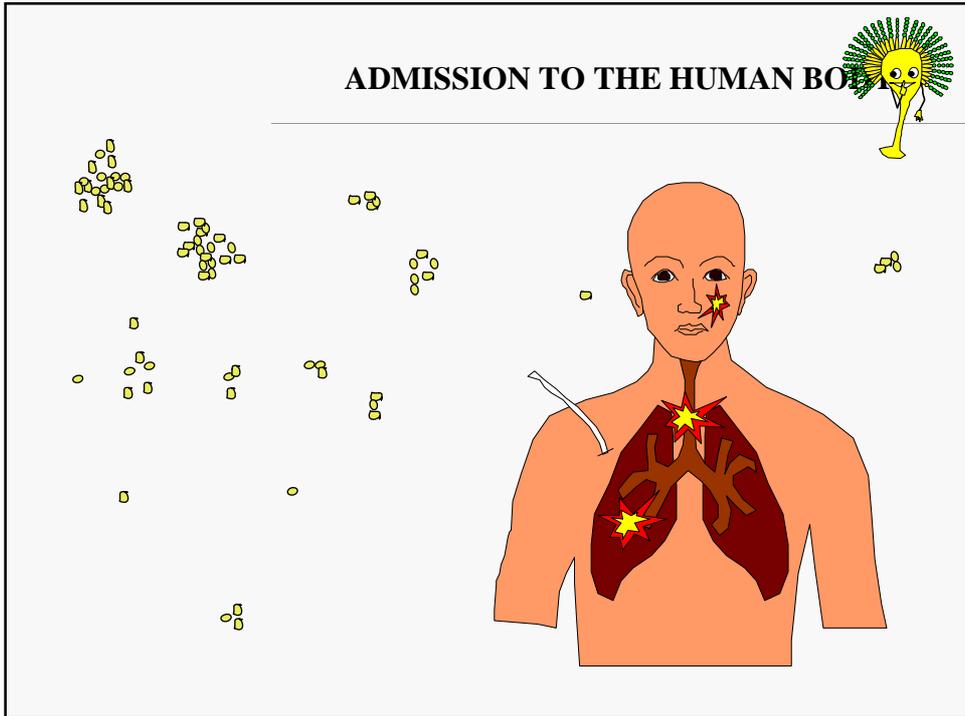
	FLUCONAZOLE n = 179	PLACEBO n = 177
INVASIVE FUNGUS	3%	16%
CANDIDIASIS	0%	10%
SUPERFICIAL	8%	33%
FATAL FUNGUS	1%	6%

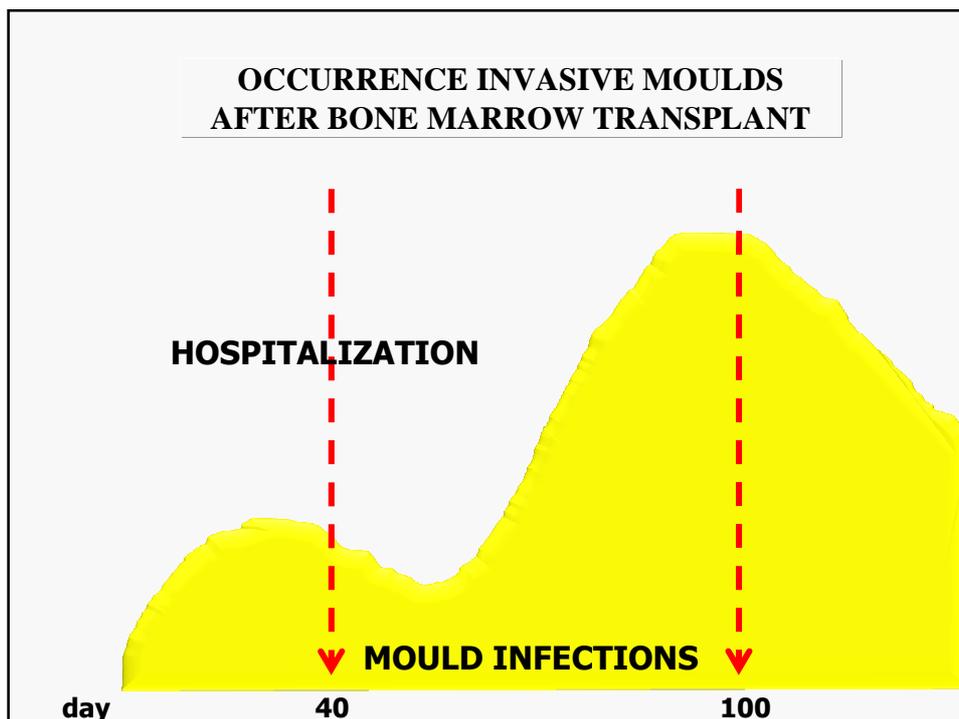


GROUPS BENEFITTING FROM FLUCONAZOLE PROPHYLAXIS IN NEUTROPENIA

Rotstein et al. Clin Infect Dis 1999;28:331







POSACONAZOLE vs FLU AS PROPHYLAXIS IN ALLO STEM CELL TRANSPLANTATION

Ullmann et al. N Engl J Med 2007; 356:335-347

allo HSCT, double-blind 16 weeks

	FLUCONAZOLE 400 mg/day iv/po n = 299	POSACONAZOLE 200 mg/day tid n = 301
INVASIVE FUNGUS	7%	2%
ASPERGILLOSIS	6%	1%
FATAL FUNGUS	4%	1%
OVERALL MORTALITY	28%	25%
ADVERSE EVENTS	38%	36%

 POSACONAZOLE vs AZOLES AS PROPHYLAXIS IN MYELOID MALIGNANCIES <i>Cornely et al. N Engl J Med 2007; 356:348-359</i>		
Randomized; NOT BLINDED AML, MDS 12 weeks		
	AZOLES 400 mg/day iv/po n = 298	POSACONAZOLE 200 mg/day tid n = 304
INVASIVE FUNGUS	8%	2%
ASPERGILLOSIS	7%	1%
FATAL FUNGUS	5%	2%
OVERALL MORTALITY	22%	16%
ADVERSE EVENTS	2%	6%

 POSACONAZOLE ASPERGILLOSIS PROPHYLAXIS STUDIES <i>Cornely et al - Ullmann et al. N Engl J Med 2007</i>		
	COMPARATOR	POSACONAZOLE
CORNELY		
FATAL FUNGUS	5%	2%
ULLMANN		
FATAL FUNGUS	4%	1%

INADEQUATE DIAGNOSTICS FOR FATAL ASPERGILLOSIS

- NO AUTOPSIES!!**

TRIAL BIAS 'OVERALL' MORTALITY?

- DIFFERENCE IN NON-BLINDED STUDY ONLY!**



VORICONAZOLE vs FLUCONAZOLE AS PROPHYLAXIS IN BONE MARROW TRANSPLANTS

Wingard et al. *Blood* 2010; 116:5111-5118

Double-blind, randomized, high-risk 180 days, others 100

	FLUCONAZOLE 400 mg/day n = 295	VORICONAZOLE 200 mg/day tid n = 305
INVASIVE FUNGUS	11%	7%
ASPERGILLOSIS	5%	2%
FATAL FUNGUS	NA	NA
OVERALL MORTALITY	25%	22%

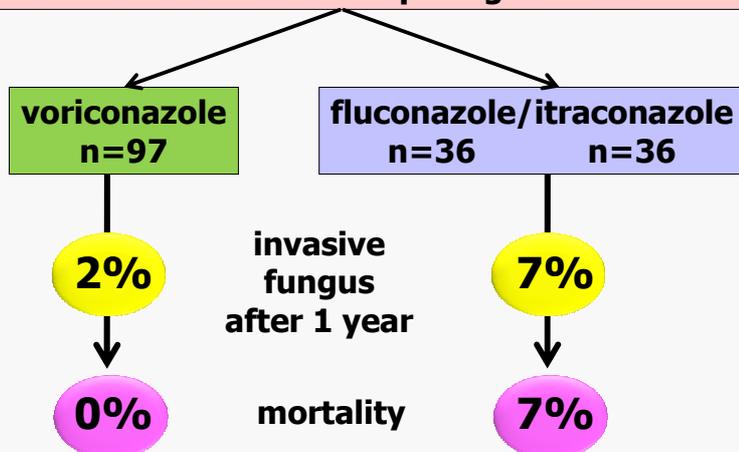


VORICONAZOLE AS PROPHYLAXIS IN CORTICOSTEROID-TREATED GVHD

Gregis et al. *Bone Marrow Transpl* 2010;45: 662-667

Retrospective analysis

Graft-versus-Host Disease requiring corticosteroids



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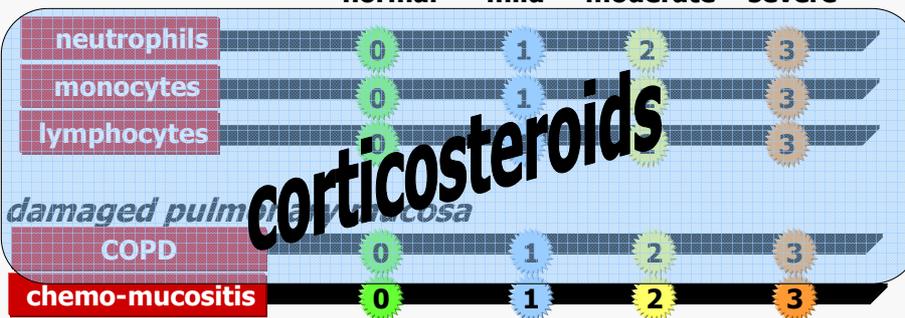
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Prophylaxis						
Radiological signs & clinical symptoms	High risk of IFD	Persistent febrile neutropenia	No	Clinical symptoms	Radiological signs	Radiological signs and/or symptoms
Mycology results	Negative	Negative	Positive bio-marker	Negative	Negative	Positive Biomarker or microscopy or culture
Proof of IFD	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Proof of IFI	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes

RATING THE NEED FOR ASPERGILLUS PROPHYLAXIS

impaired function immunocompetent cells

normal – mild – moderate – severe



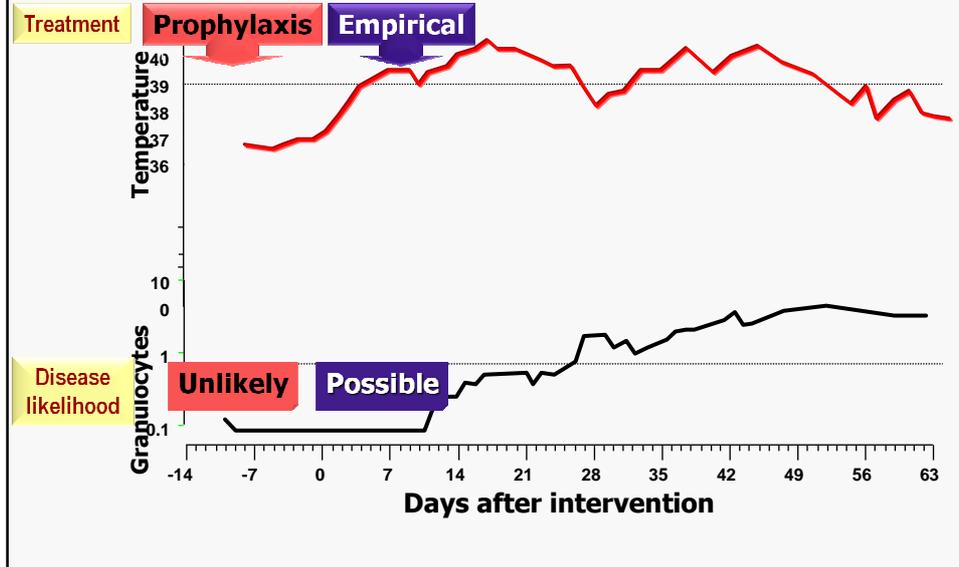
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agricultural

green waste bins

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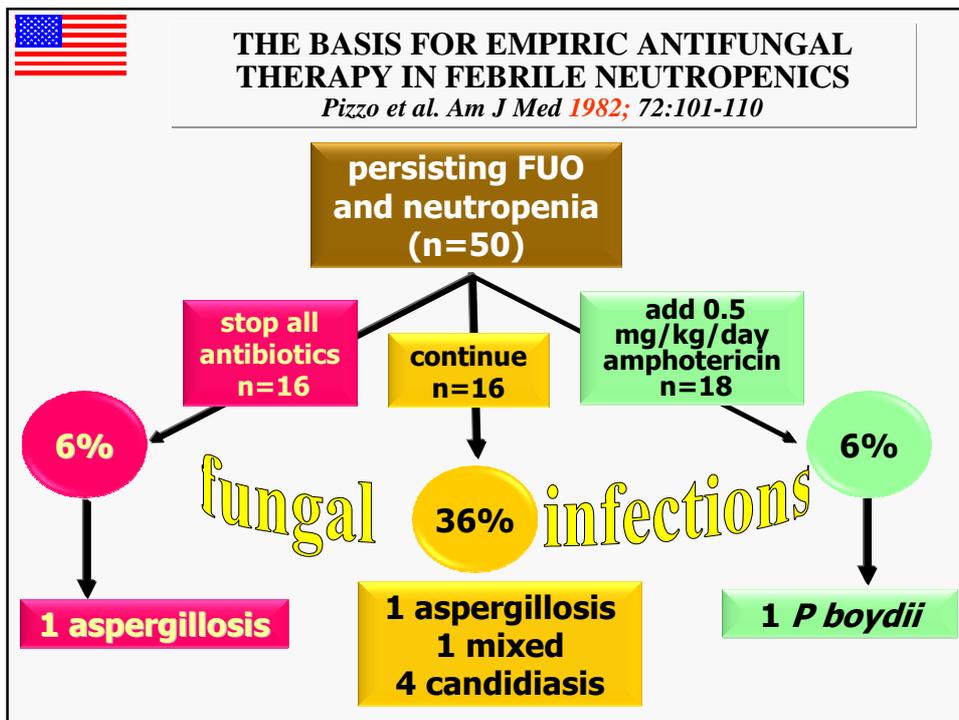
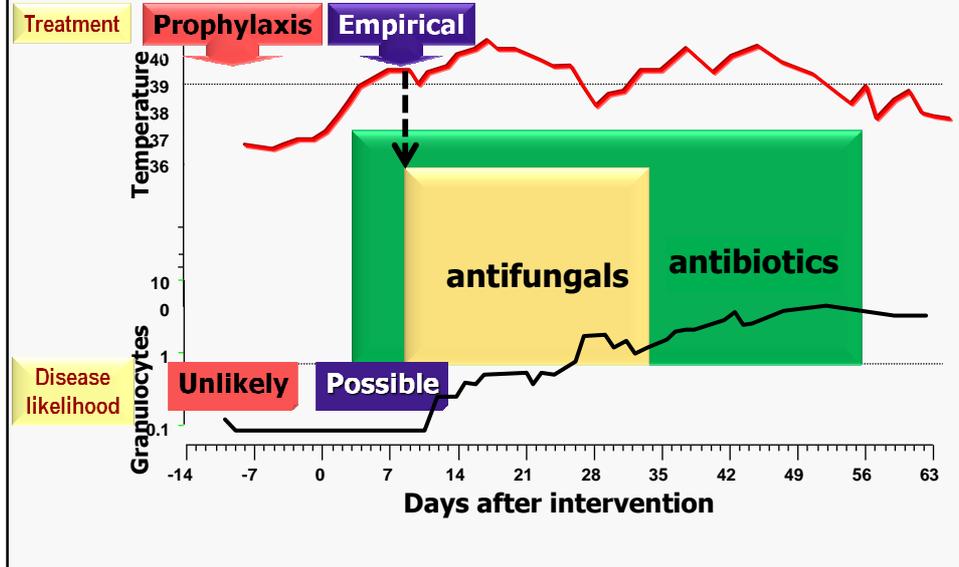


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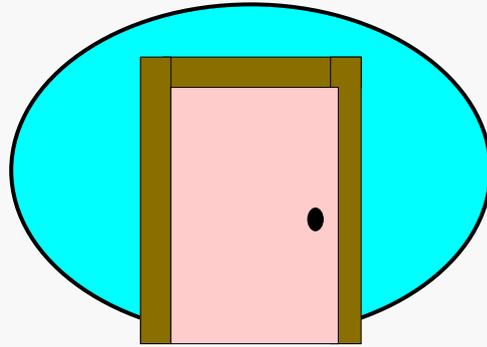
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		Empirical				
Radiological signs & clinical symptoms	No	Persistent febrile neutropenia	No	Clinical symptoms	Radiological signs	Radiological signs and/or symptoms
Mycology results	Negative	Negative	positive bio-marker	Negative	Negative	Positive Biomarker or microscopy or culture
Proof of IFD	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Proof of IFI	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes

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LABORATORY OR PHARMACY ?



patient

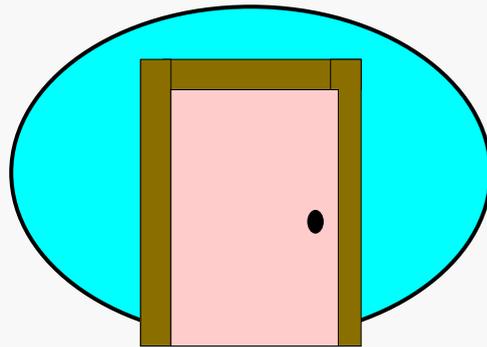


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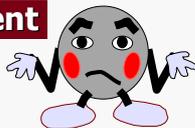


Still fever
despite
antibiotics

LABORATORY OR PHARMACY ?



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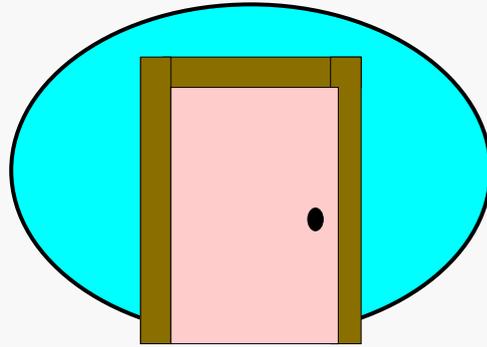


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Could be
fungal...

LABORATORY OR PHARMACY ?



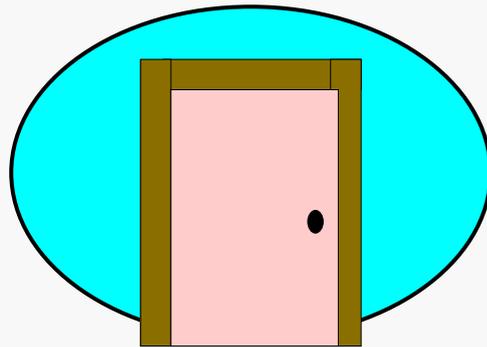
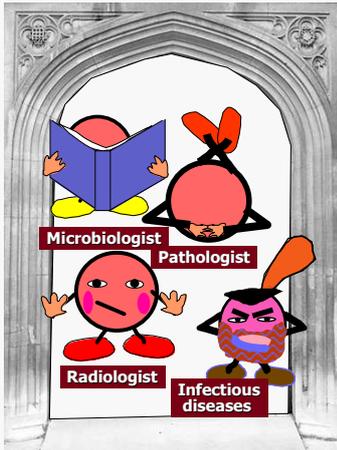
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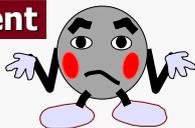
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.....SO,
what to
do...?

LABORATORY OR PHARMACY ?



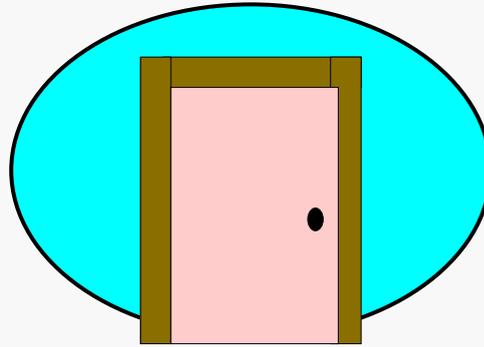
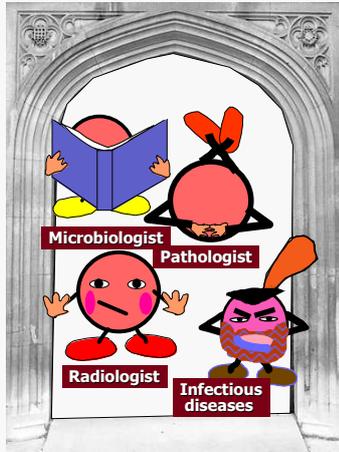
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diagnosis?

LABORATORY OR PHARMACY ?



patient



hematologist

...or
empirical
antifungals?
??

LABORATORY OR PHARMACY ?



patient



hematologist

..or
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PERCEIVED NEED FOR PARENTERAL AMPHOTERICIN-B
AFTER PNEUMONIA IN NEUTROPENIC PATIENTS

FEAR FACTOR

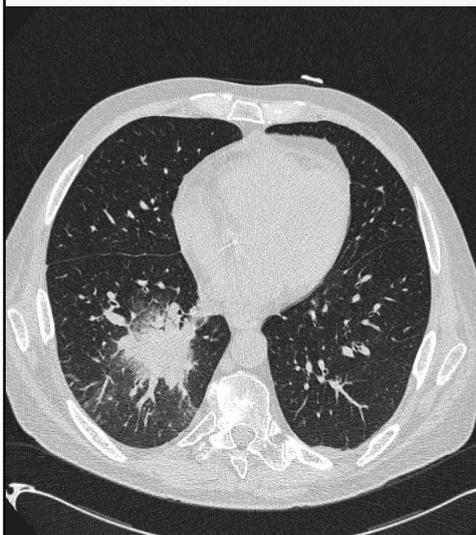
>90% no disease

perceived need for empirical antifungals

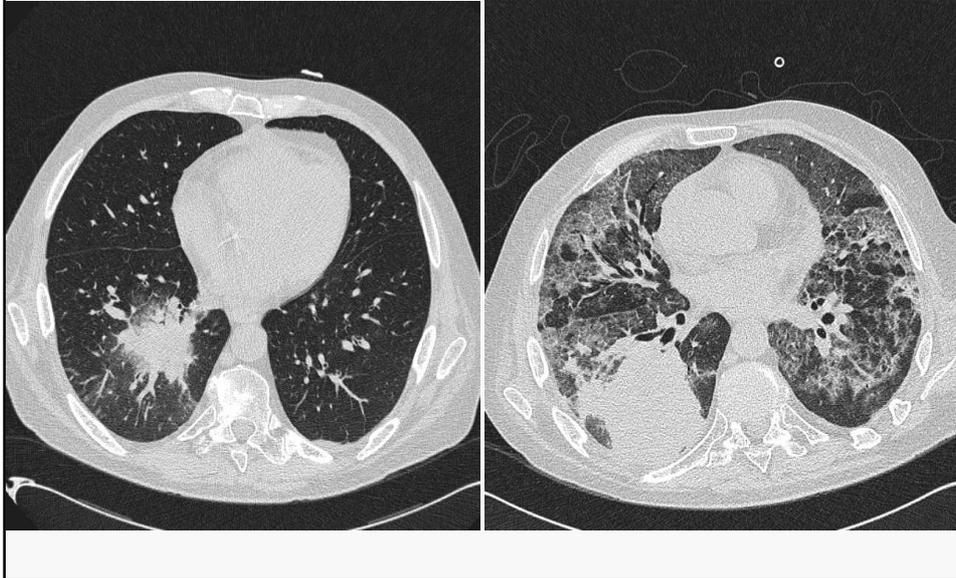
fungus

5 10 20 30 40 50 60%

FUNGAL INFILTRATE



ONE WEEK LATER....



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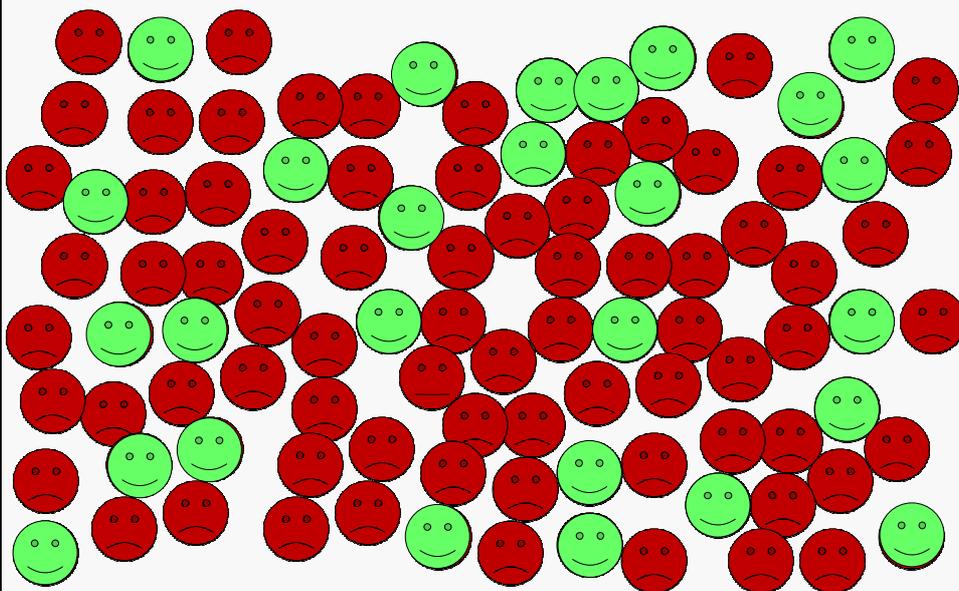
		Empirical				
Radiological signs & clinical symptoms	No	Persistent febrile neutropenia	No	Clinical symptoms	Radiological signs	Radiological signs and/or symptoms
Mycology results	Negative	Unable to exclude IFD	Positive bio-marker	Negative	Negative	Positive Biomarker or microscopy or culture
Proof of IFD	No	Short course to buy time to diagnose	No	No	Yes	Yes
Proof of IFI	No		Yes	No	No	Yes

EMPIRICAL THERAPY

- Prolonged, profound neutropenia
- Persisting fever of uncertain origin refractory to broad-spectrum antibiotic treatment
- Invasive fungal disease cannot be ruled out

High-risk, febrile but **no evidence of IFD**

INCIDENCE AND INTENTION

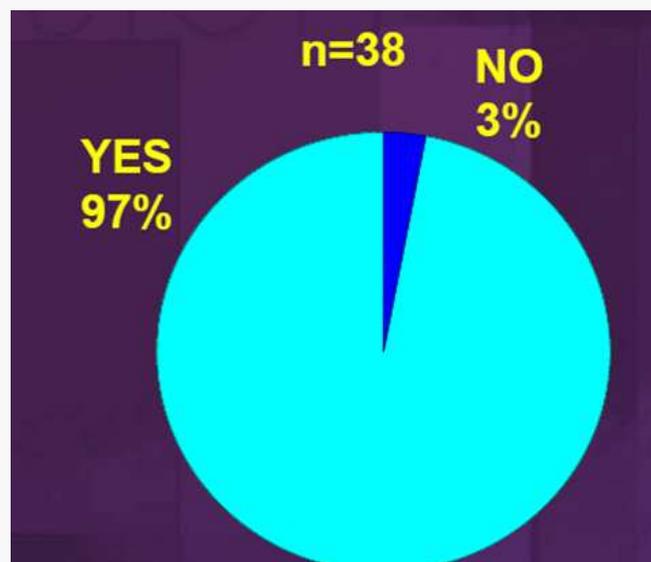


Indication for Empirical Antifungal Therapy in Persistently Febrile Neutropenic Patients

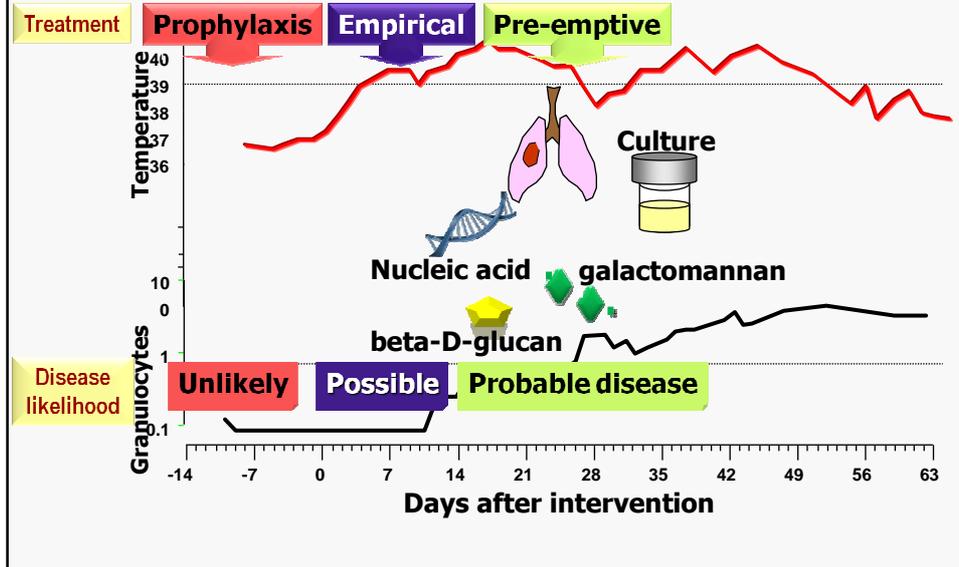
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**DO YOU USE EMPIRICAL ANTIFUNGAL THERAPY?
(ECIL MEETING 2008)**



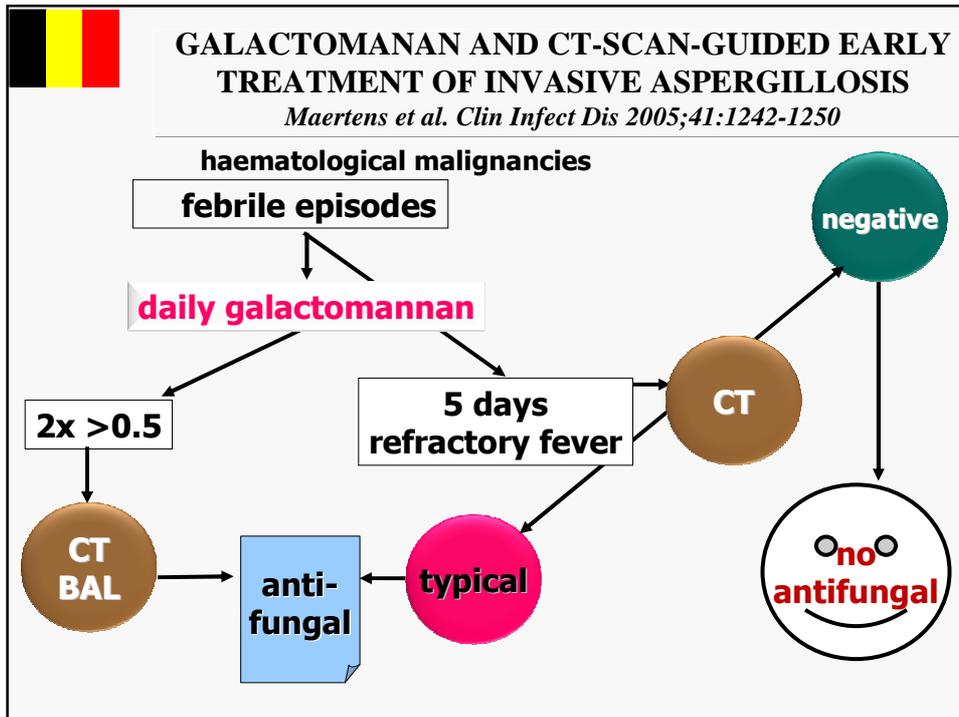
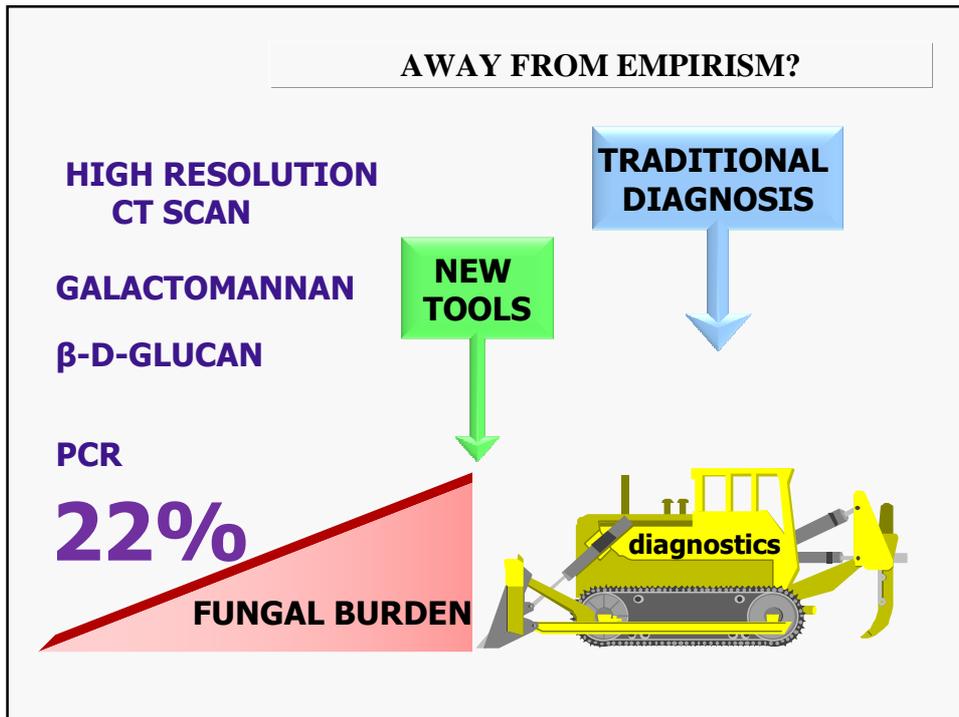
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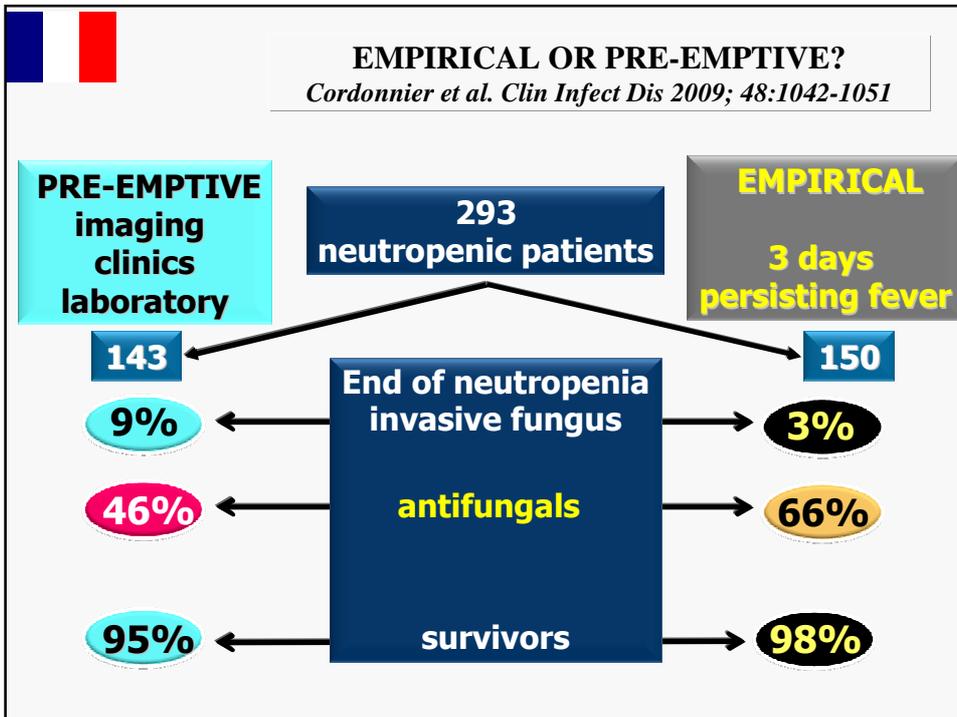
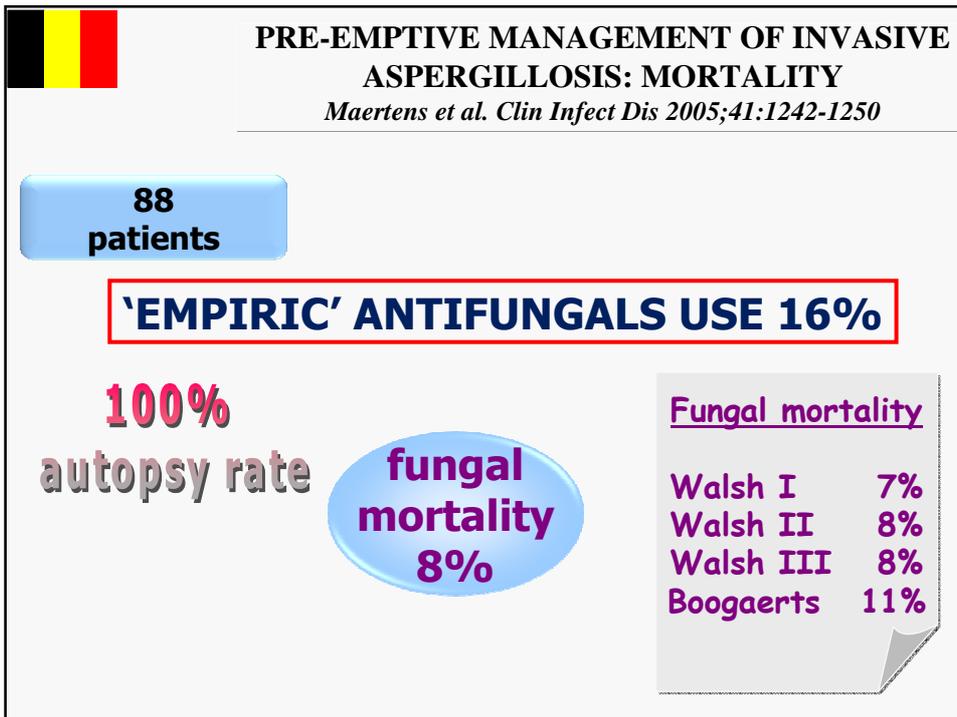


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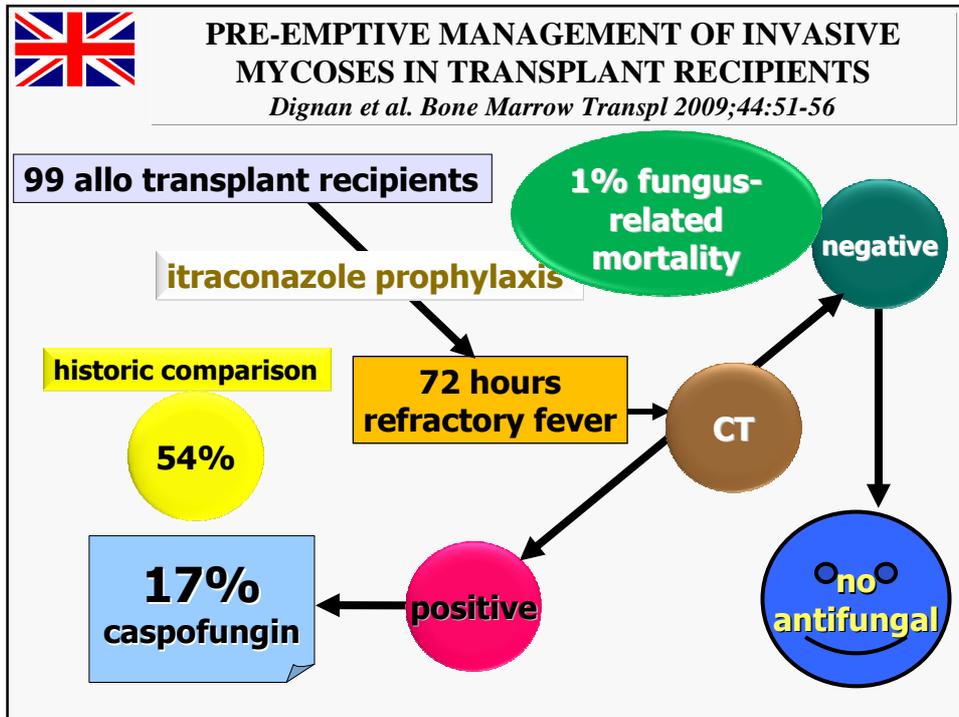
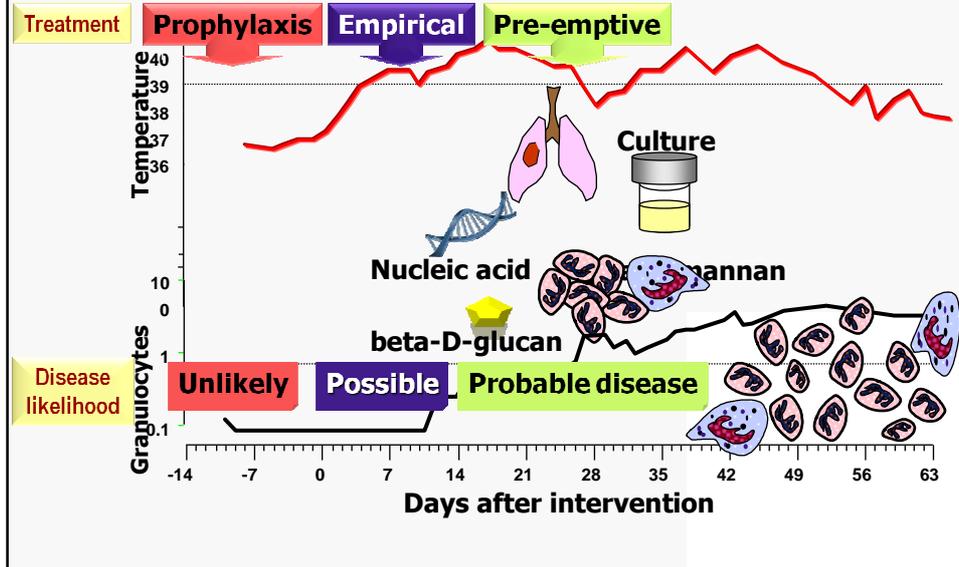
	Pre-emptive					
Radiological signs & clinical symptoms	No	Persistent febrile neutropenia	No	Clinical symptoms	Radiological signs	Radiological signs and/or symptoms
Mycology results	Negative	Negative	Positive bio-marker	Negative	Negative	Positive biomarker or microscopy or culture
Proof of IFD	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Proof of IFI	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes

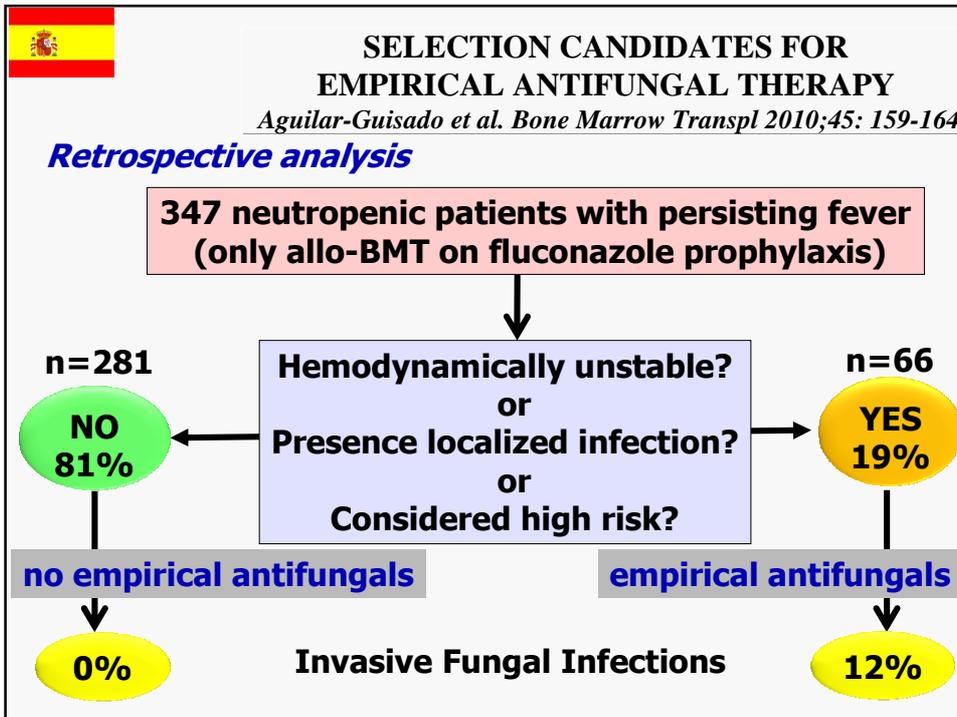
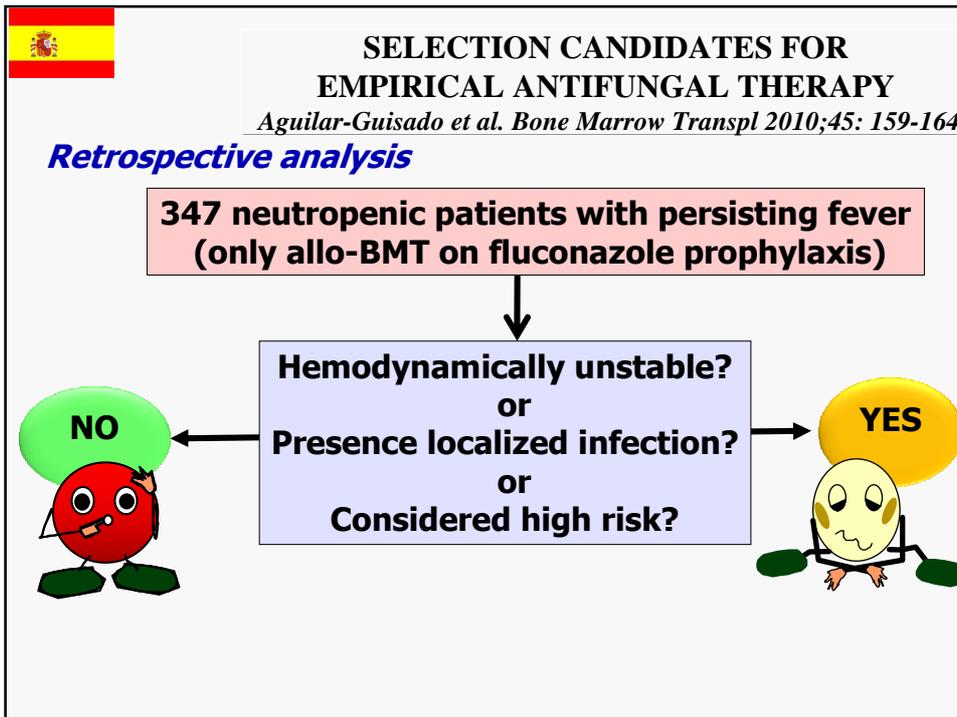




..BUT IN PATIENTS WITH GRANULOCYTES

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PATTERNS OF INVASIVE FUNGAL DISEASE

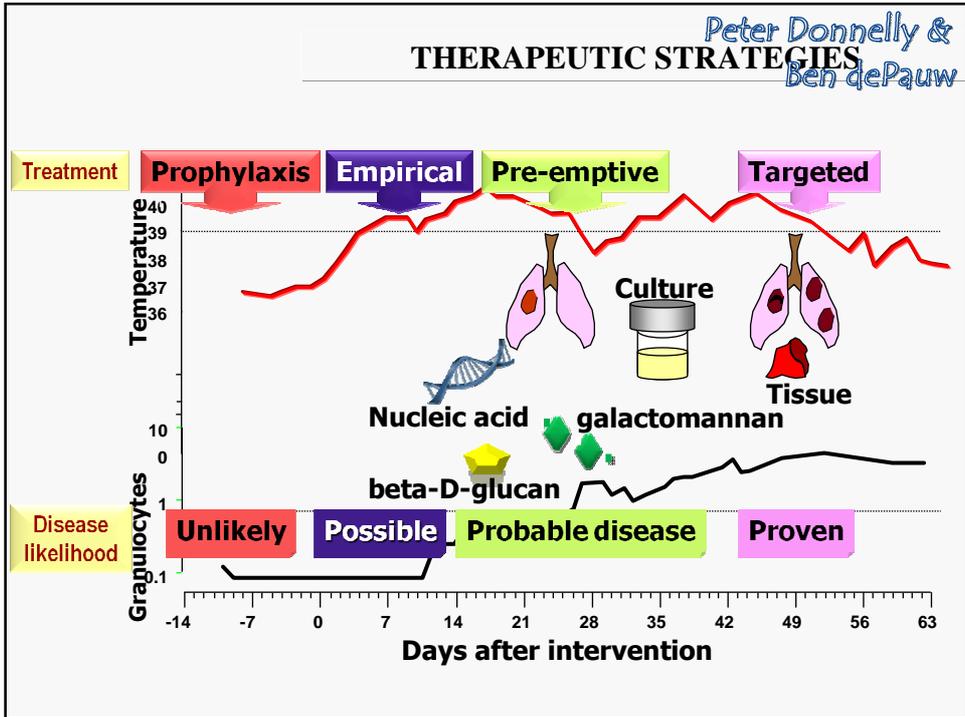
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		Pre-emptive				
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Mycology results	Negative	Negative	Positive bio-marker	Negative	Negative	Positive Biomarker or microscopy or culture
Proof of IFD	No	No	Some evidence of IFD			Yes
Proof of IFI	No	No				Yes

AIM OF A PRE-EMPTIVE STRATEGY

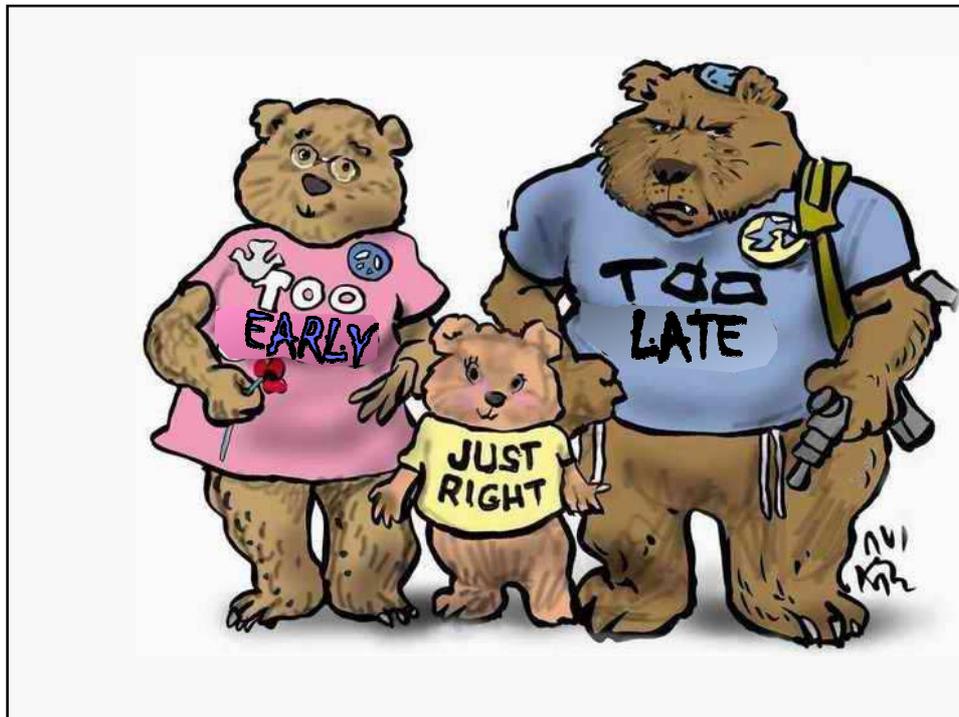
include all patients likely to have invasive fungal disease and treat them with the most effective drug

exclude all patients unlikely to have invasive fungal disease and adopt a **WAIT-and-SEE** policy



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	Prophylaxis Empirical		Pre-emptive		Directed	
Radiological signs & clinical symptoms	High risk of IFD	Persistent febrile neutropenia	No	Clinical symptoms	Radiological signs	Radiological signs and/or symptoms
Mycology results	Negative	Unable to exclude IFD	Positive bio-marker	Negative	Negative	Positive Biomarker or microscopy or culture
Proof of IFD	No	No	Some evidence of IFD			Yes
Proof of IFI	No	No				Yes
						IFD



CRUCIAL ELEMENTS IN AVOIDANCE OF DISASTERS

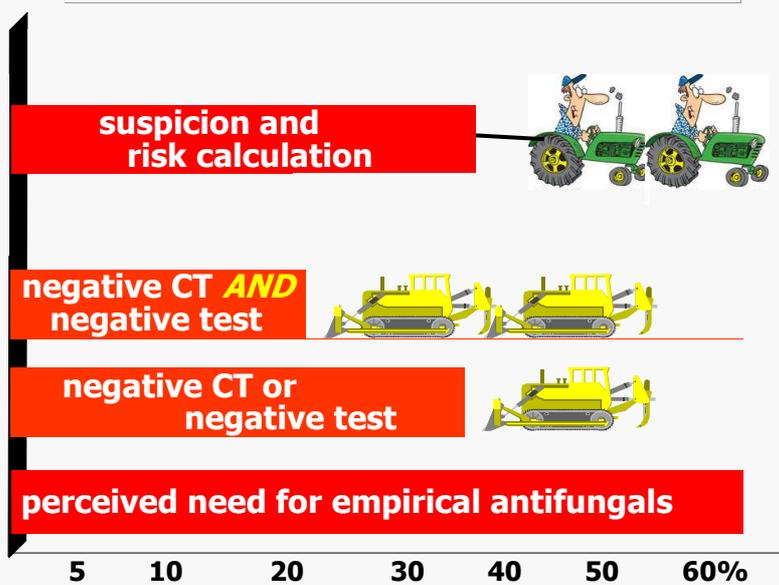
- Knowledge on behavior of the offender

AN EYE FOR RISK FACTORS

- Early recognition
- Early treatment



MAIN FACTORS THAT DETERMINE THE USE OF ANTIFUNGALS



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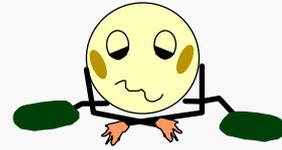
REASONS FOR FAILING ANTIFUNGAL THERAPY

-PRAGMATIC CAUSES

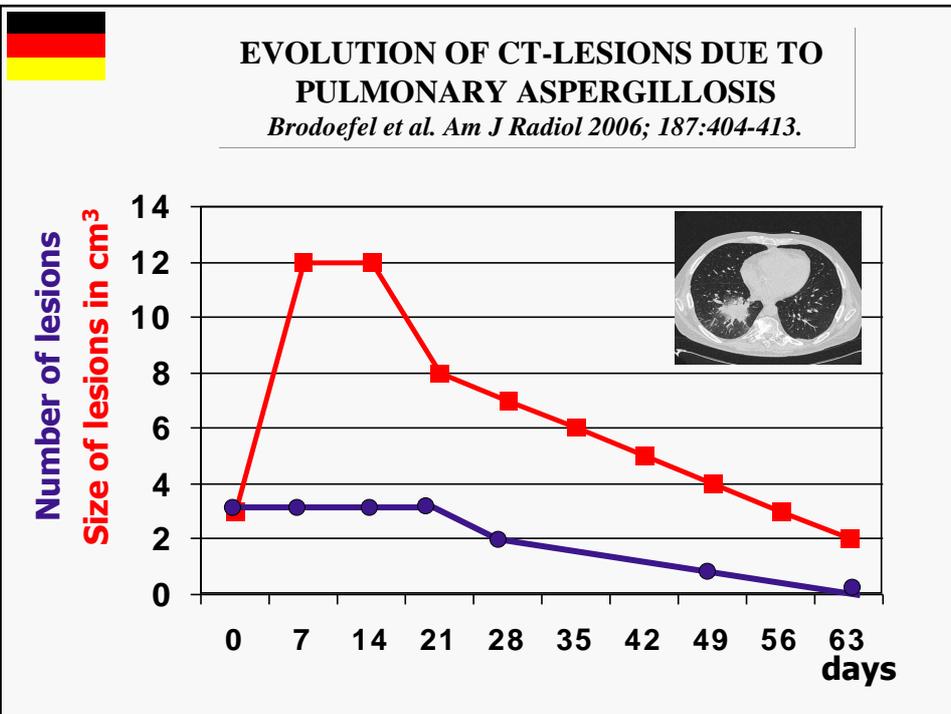
- Correct diagnosis
- Strategic reasons
(too late!)

-FUNDAMENTAL CAUSES

- Drug resistance
- Immunodeficiency



40-50%
failures

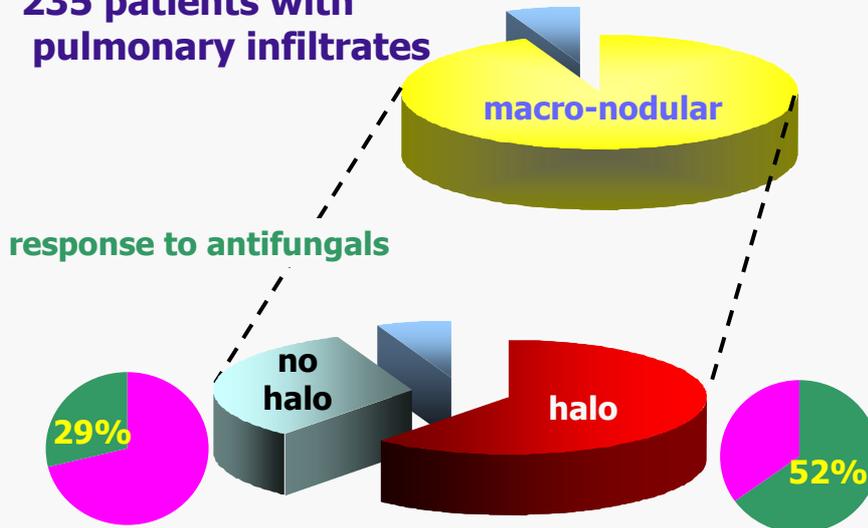




RADIOLOGIC PATTERN PULMONARY ASPERGILLOSIS IN RELATION TO OUTCOME

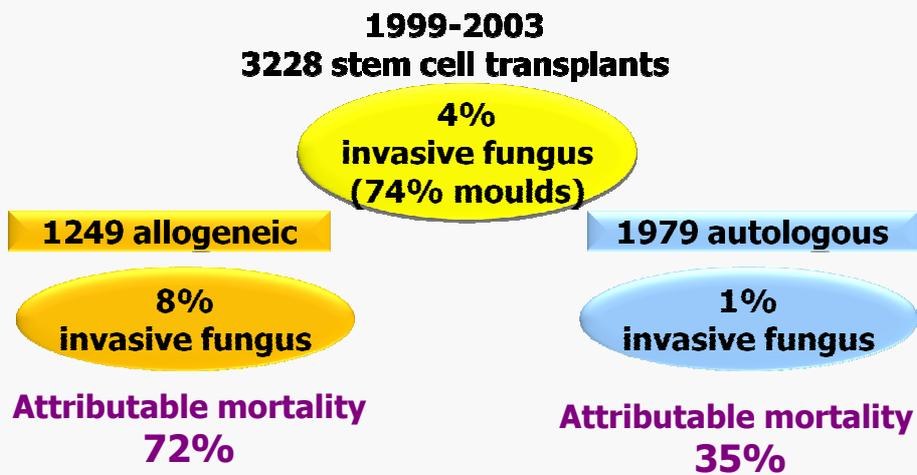
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235 patients with pulmonary infiltrates



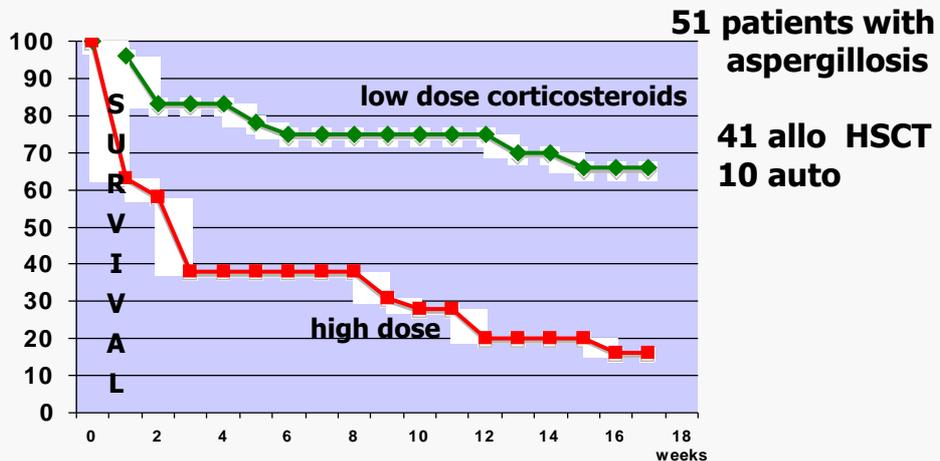
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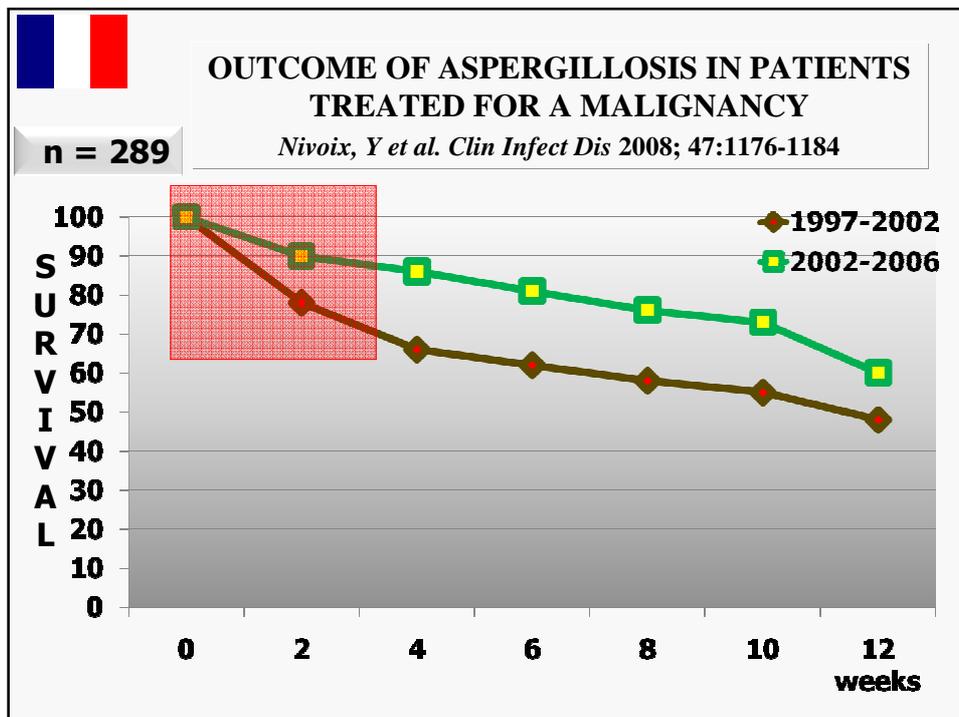


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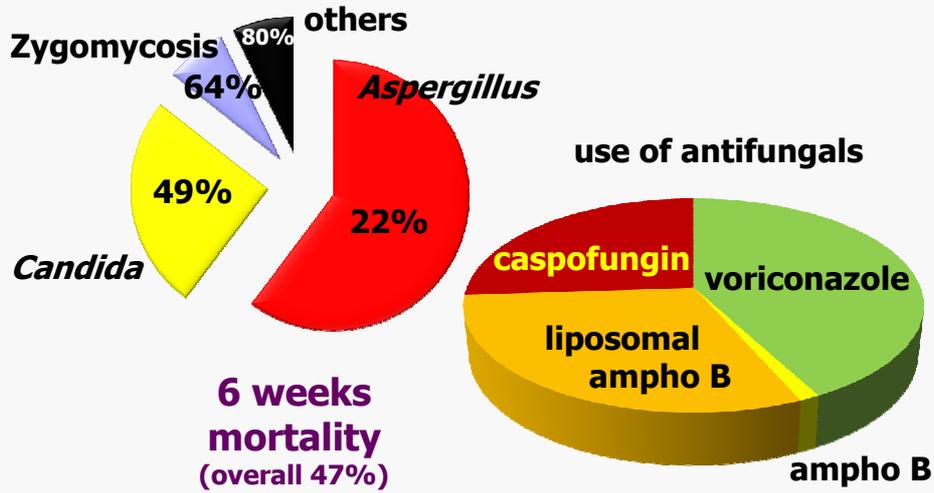




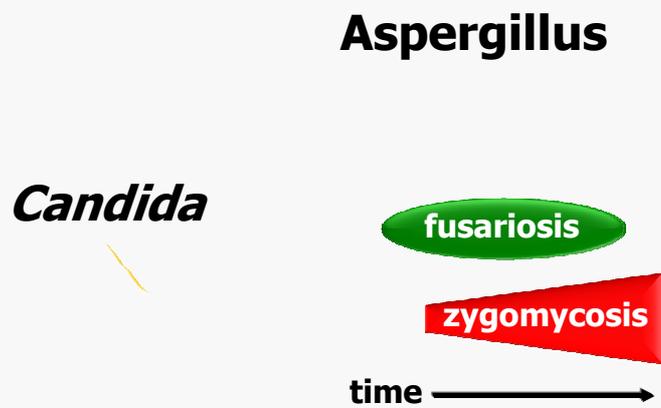
OUTCOME OF INVASIVE FUNGAL DISEASE IN TRANSPLANT RECIPIENTS 2004-2007

Neofytos et al. Clin Infect Dis 2009; 48:265-273

250 infections in 16 centers for BMT in the USA



POSSIBLE EFFECT OF MORE EFFECTIVE ANTI-CANDIDA AND ASPERGILLUS THERAPY



STOPPING ANTIFUNGAL THERAPY

•Empirical indication

➤ At **defervescence**

•Incipient infection

➤ At **disappearance of symptoms** and recovery of the immune system
Watchful follow-up

•Established infection

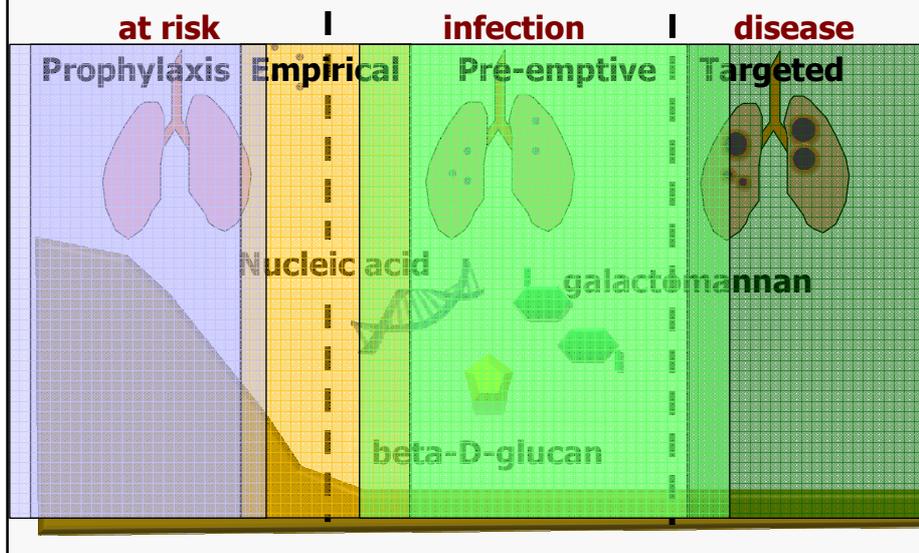
➤ At **objective response** and recovery of the immune system

➤ Resume treatment at recurrence or new episode of immune deficiency



STRATEGIES AGAINST INVASIVE FUNGAL DISEASE

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BUILDING AN ANTIFUNGAL STRATEGY



HIGH AWARENESS AND EARLY RECOGNITION

voriconazole

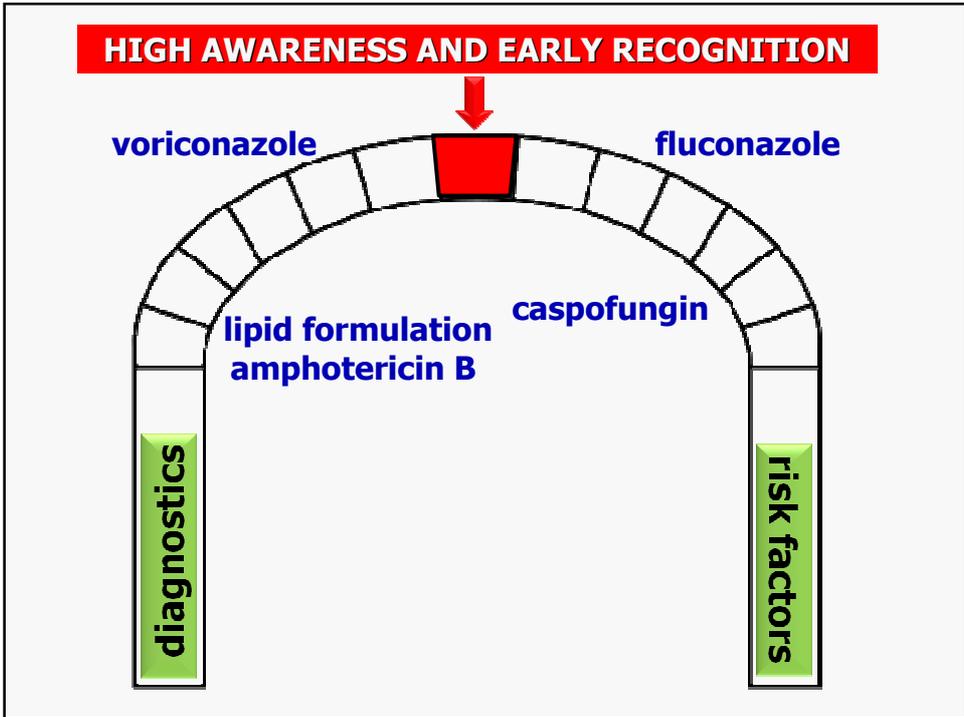
fluconazole

lipid formulation
amphotericin B

caspofungin

diagnostics

risk factors



CONCLUSIONS

**THERE ARE MANY EFFECTIVE
ANTI-CANDIDA AGENTS**

**VORICONAZOLE AND LIPOSOMAL
AMPHO B ARE DRUGS OF CHOICE
AGAINST INVASIVE
ASPERGILLOSIS**

**TREATMENT OF INVASIVE
FUNGAL DISEASE BECOMES MORE
DIAGNOSTIC-DRIVEN**

