



Αντιμετώπιση του σηπτικού ασθενούς: Sepsis 1 - 2 - 3... ή μια «επιστημολογική προσέγγιση»



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Presentation outline

- RCTs and Guidelines usefulness mainly for the management of septic patients in a “Real World setting”
 - Pathophysiologic paradigms of sepsis and septic shock
- AND**
- Definitions, diagnostic approach and treatment (=decision making)

Emanuel P. Rivers, MD, MPH, IOM,

What a sepsis pilot must consider before taking flight with your next patient. *Crit Care Med* 2006; 34:1247

Patients are not airplanes and doctors
are not pilots

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To the Editor:

While I do not claim to have the re-
search experience of Drs. Kortgen and colleagues (1) and Dr. Rivers (2), I do have a fair amount of experience treating sepsis. I am tiring of the ongoing analogy of the airline industry or of a jet pilot in regard to

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... sepsis management is less than optimal.

A recent survey has shown that:

- early goal directed therapy was performed in 17% of academic emergency departments, (2)
- protective lung strategies provided in 39% of patients on day 2 of acute lung injury (3), and
- aggressive glycemic control is provided 19% of the time with routine insulin protocols (4).
- the administration of recombinant human activated protein C ranged from 4% to 33% of patients in other studies examining the effectiveness of a sepsis protocol (5–7).

No matter what analogy is used,

the lack of compliance to base practice sepsis recommendations is associated with increased mortality (8, 9).

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Drug Design, Development and Therapy 2015:9 2079–2088

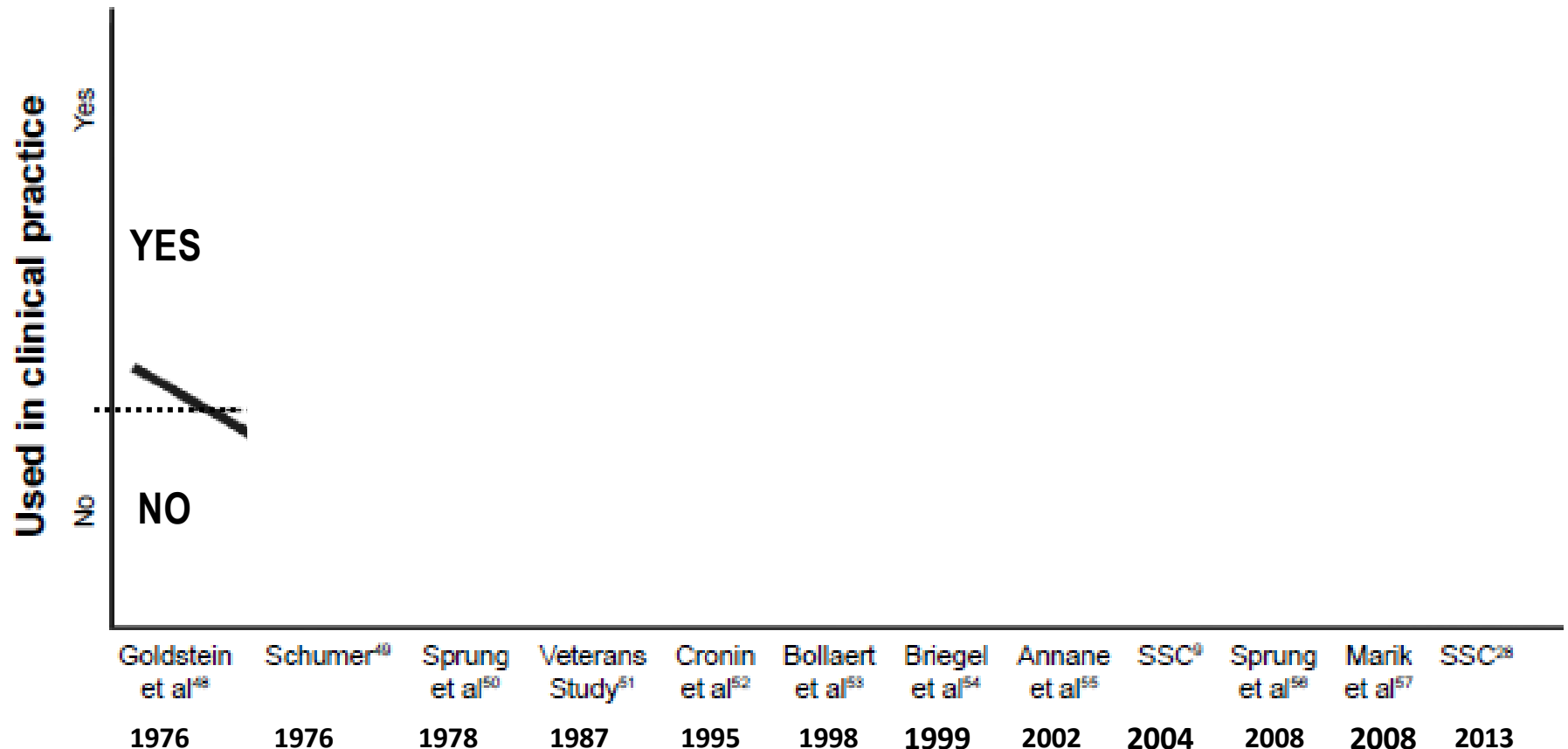


Figure 2 Steroids for treatment of infections, sepsis, and septic shock – ups and downs. Abbreviations: SSC, Surviving Sepsis Campaign.

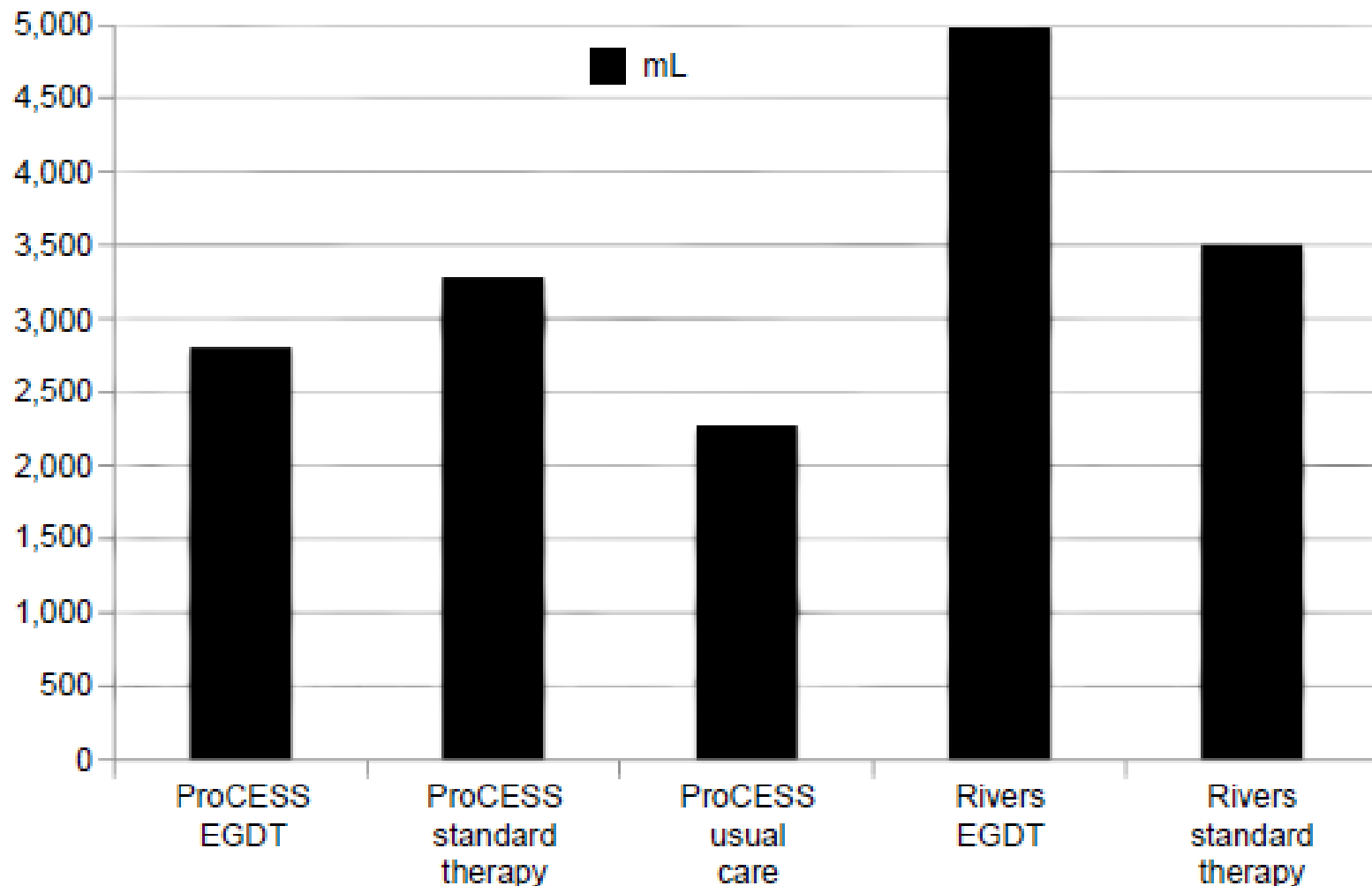
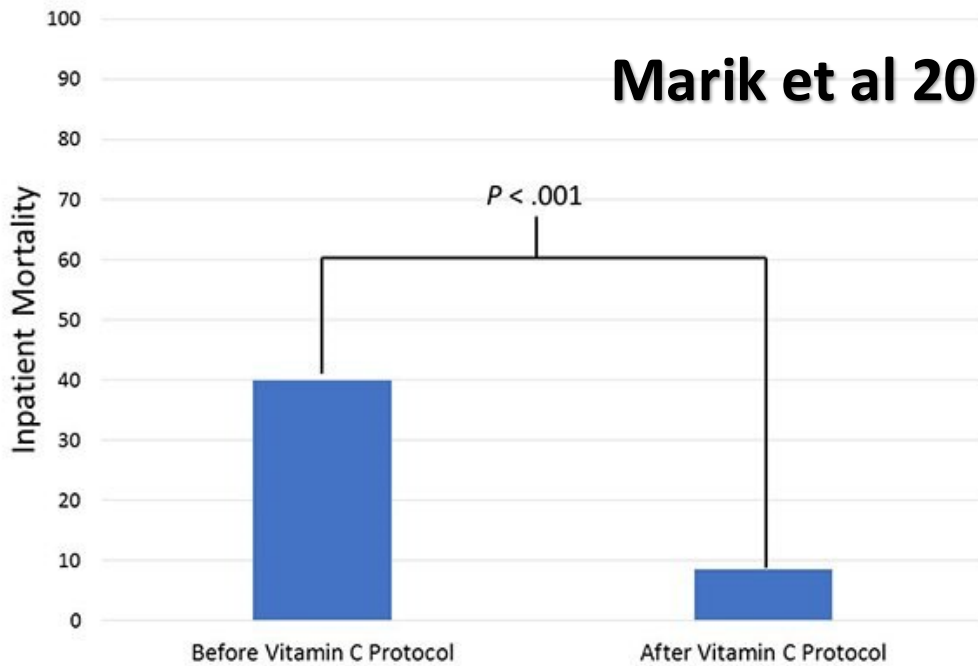


Figure 1 Fluid administration between 0 and 6 hours.

Abbreviations: ProCESS, Protocolized Care for Early Septic Shock; EGDT, Early Goal-Directed Therapy.

Vitamin C in "sepsis"

Marik et al 2017



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Fowler et al 2019

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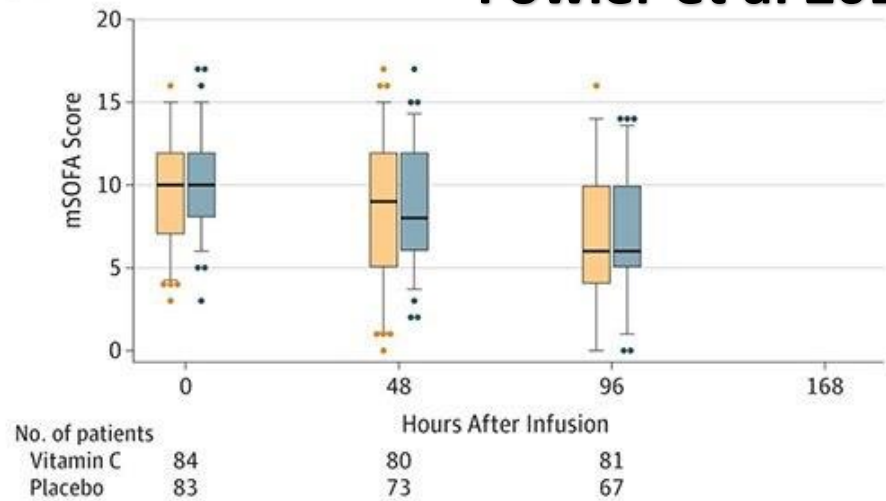


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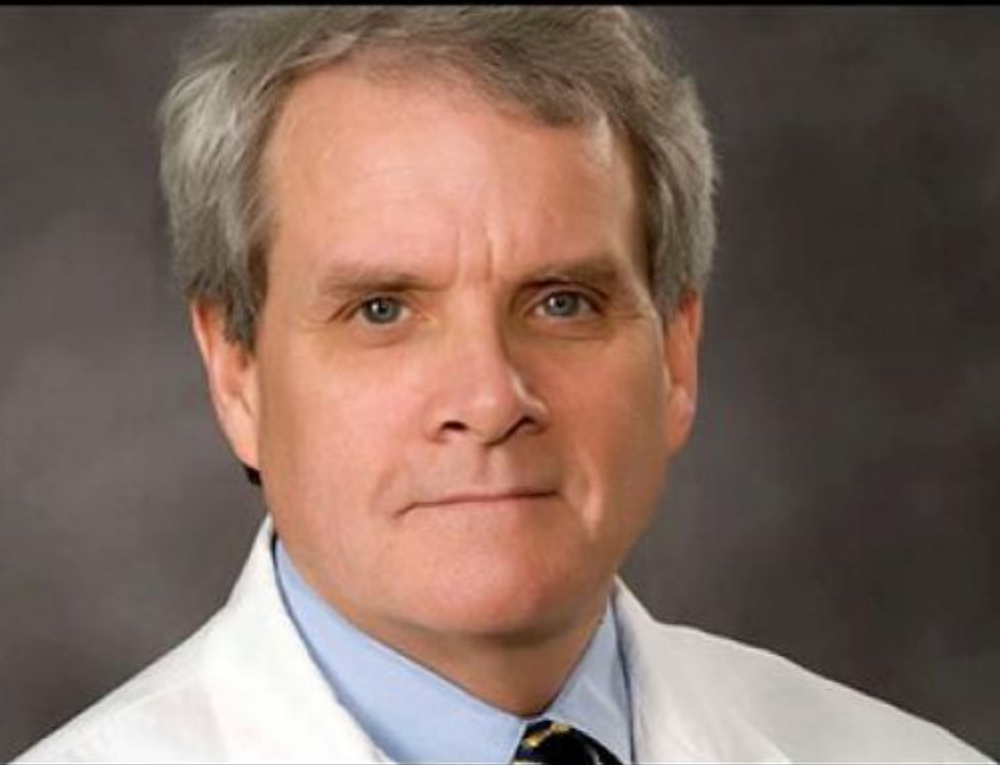
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“Patients in our ICU do not die of sepsis. It just does not happen.”

-Paul E. Marik, MD
Chief, Pulmonary and Critical Care
Medicine
Eastern Virginia Medical School



“We were afraid to put mortality as a primary outcome when we designed it. And we were thinking, holy cow—if we put this as a primary outcome and it fails, you can kiss vitamin C goodbye.”

-Alpha “Berry” Fowler, MD
Chair, Pulmonary Disease and
Critical Care Medicine
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CME CREDIT *EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVE:* Readers will consider the recommendations of the Surviving Sepsis Campaign when treating patients with sepsis

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**TAKE-HOME
POINTS FROM
LECTURES BY
CLEVELAND
CLINIC
AND VISITING
FACULTY**

The Surviving Sepsis Campaign: Where have we been and where are we going?

Abstract

Chest. 1992 Jun;101(6):1644-55.

**Definitions for sepsis and organ failure and guidelines for the intensive care unit
ACCP/SCCM Consensus Conference Committee
Critical Care Medicine.**

Bone RC¹, Balk RA, Cerra FB, Dellinger RP, Fein AM, Knaus WA

[Crit Care Med.](#) 1992 Jun;20(6):864-74.

American College of Chest Physicians/Society of Critical Care Medicine Consensus Conference: definitions for sepsis and organ failure and guidelines for the use of innovative therapies in sepsis.

[No authors listed]

Abstract

OBJECTIVE:

To define the terms "sepsis" and "organ failure" in a precise manner.

DATA SOURCES:

Review of the medical literature and the use of expert testimony at a consensus conference.

SETTING:

American College of Chest Physicians (ACCP) headquarters in Northbrook, IL.

PARTICIPANTS:

Leadership members of ACCP/Society of Critical Care Medicine (SCCM).

RESULTS:

An ACCP/SCCM Consensus Conference was held in August of 1991 with the goal of agreeing on a set of definitions that could be applied to patients with sepsis and its sequelae. New definitions were offered for some terms, while others were discarded. Broad definitions of sepsis and the systemic inflammatory response syndrome were proposed, along with detailed physiologic variables by which a patient could be categorized. Definitions for severe sepsis, septic shock, hypotension, and multiple organ dysfunction syndrome were also offered. The use of severity scoring methods were recommended when dealing with septic patients as an adjunctive tool to assess mortality. Appropriate methods and applications for the use and testing of new therapies were recommended.

CONCLUSION:

The use of these terms and techniques should assist clinicians and researchers who deal with sepsis and its sequelae.

Intensive Care Med. 2003 Apr;29(4):530-8. Epub 2003 Mar 28.

2001 SCCM/ESICM/ACCP/ATS/SIS International Sepsis Definitions Conference.

Levy MM1, Fink MP, Marshall JC, Abraham E, Angus D, Cook D, Cohen J, Opal SM, Vincent JL, Ramsay G; International Sepsis Definitions Conference.

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OBJECTIVE:

In 1991, the American College of Chest Physicians (ACCP) and the Society of Critical Care Medicine (SCCM) convened a "Consensus Conference," the goals of which were to "provide a conceptual and a practical framework to define the systemic inflammatory response to infection, which is a progressive injurious process that falls under the generalized term 'sepsis' and includes sepsis-associated organ dysfunction as well. The general definitions introduced as a result of that conference have been widely used in practice, and have served as the foundation for inclusion criteria for numerous clinical trials of therapeutic interventions. Nevertheless, there has been an impetus from experts in the field to modify these definitions to reflect our current understanding of the pathophysiology of these syndromes.

DESIGN:

Several North American and European intensive care societies agreed to revisit the definitions for sepsis and related conditions. This conference was sponsored by the Society of Critical Care Medicine (SCCM), The European Society of Intensive Care Medicine (ESICM), The American College of Chest Physicians (ACCP), the American Thoracic Society (ATS), and the Surgical Infection Society (SIS).

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CONCLUSION:

1. Current concepts of sepsis, severe sepsis and septic shock remain useful to clinicians and researchers.
2. These definitions do not allow precise staging or prognostication of the host response to infection.
3. While SIRS remains a useful concept, the diagnostic criteria for SIRS published in 1992 are overly sensitive and non-specific.
4. An expanded list of signs and symptoms of sepsis may better reflect the clinical response to infection.
6. PIRO, a hypothetical model for staging sepsis is presented, which, in the future, may better characterize the syndrome on the basis of predisposing factors and premorbid conditions, the nature of the underlying infection, the characteristics of the host response, and the extent of the resultant organ dysfunction.

Remain useful concepts for what purpose ???

Special Communication | CARING FOR THE CRITICALLY ILL PATIENT

The Third International Consensus Definitions for Sepsis and Septic Shock (Sepsis-3)

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Conclusions

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miology is assessed and reported, operationalization will necessarily involve proxies such as antibiotic commencement or a clinically determined probability of infection. Future epidemiology studies should consider reporting the proportion of microbiology-positive sepsis.

Greater clarity and consistency will also facilitate research and more accurate coding. Changes to ICD coding may take several years to enact, so the recommendations provided in Table 2 demonstrate how the new definitions can be applied in the interim within the current ICD system.

The debate and discussion that this work will inevitably generate are encouraged. Aspects of the new definitions do indeed rely on expert opinion; further understanding of the biology of sepsis, the availability of new diagnostic approaches, and

enhanced collection of data will fuel their continued reevaluation and revision.

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Introduction

A clinician armed with a sepsis change bundle, attacks the three heads of sepsis (hypotension, hypoperfusion, and organ dysfunction).

Inspired by Hercules Kills Cerberus, Renato Pettinato

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A key deficiency of this immunologic model of sepsis is that most pathogens cannot be eliminated quickly despite bactericidal antimicrobial therapy and likely persist during the period that immunomodulatory therapies (most of which are, in fact, immunosuppressive) might be initiated. A recent autopsy study of sepsis suggested that a persistent septic focus could be found in approximately 75% of 235 surgical ICU patients who died of sepsis/septic shock and in almost 90% of those succumbing in ICU after at least 7 days of treatment [26, 27, 28]

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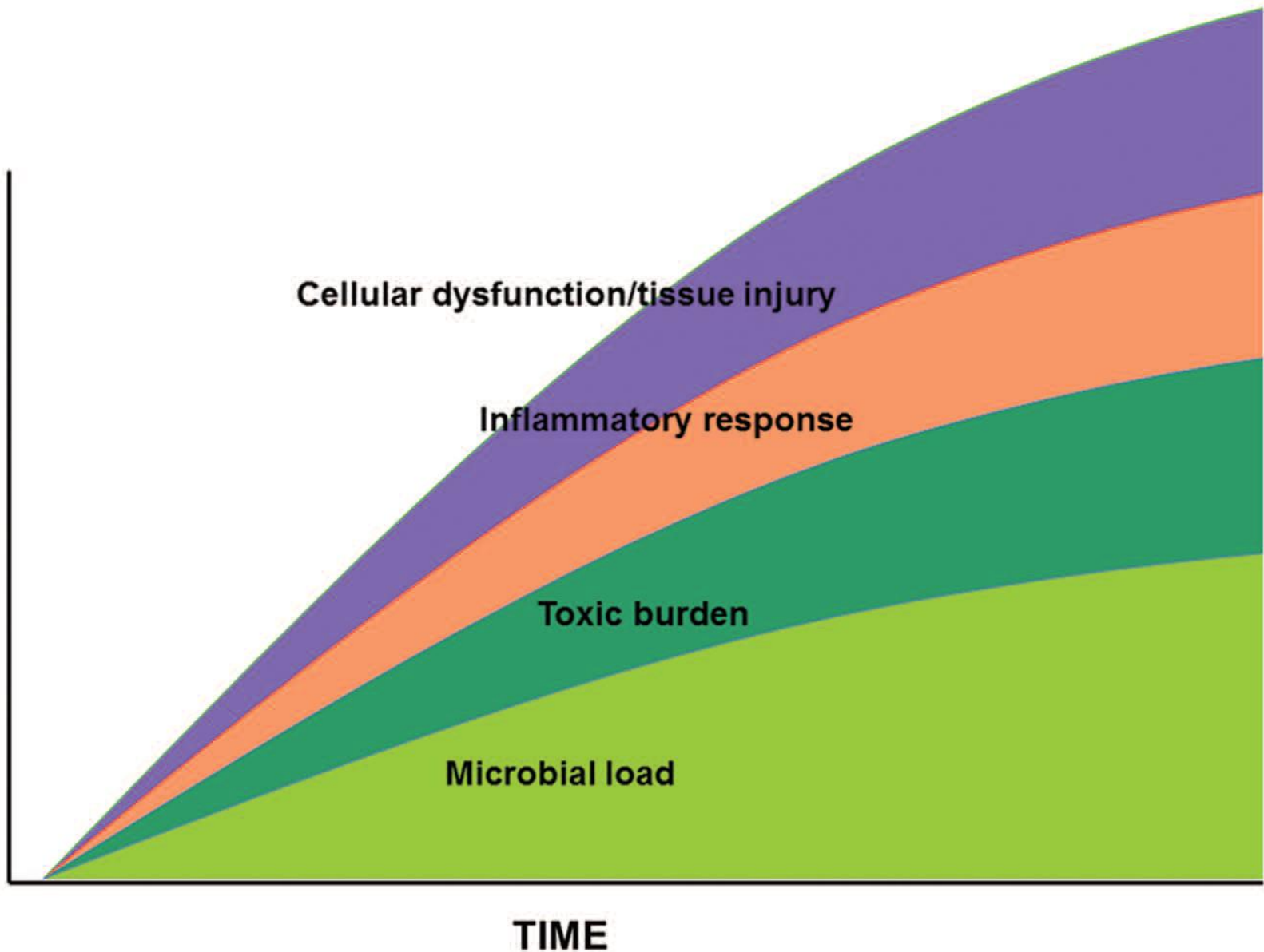
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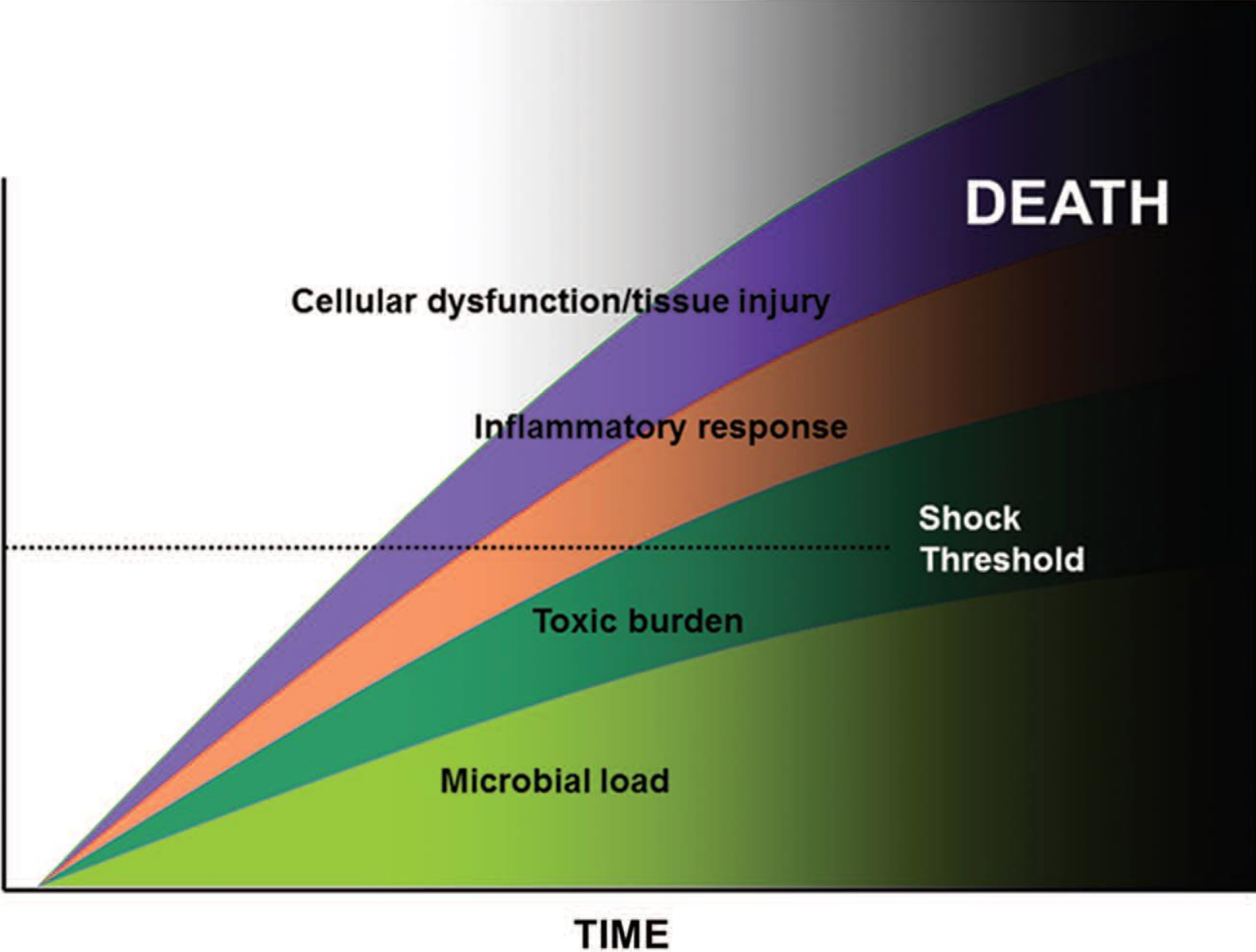
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Composite Microbiologic view of sepsis and septic shock

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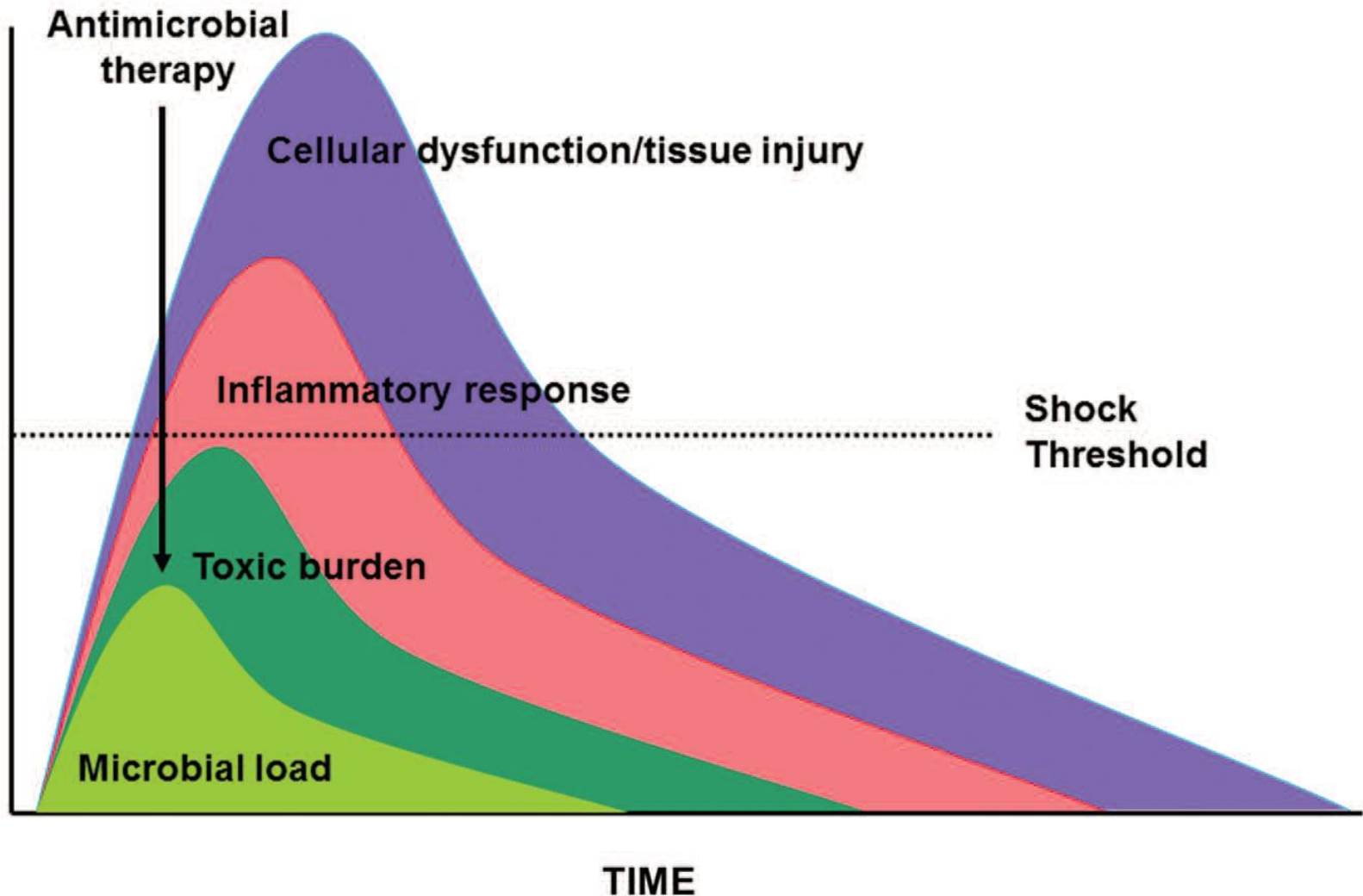
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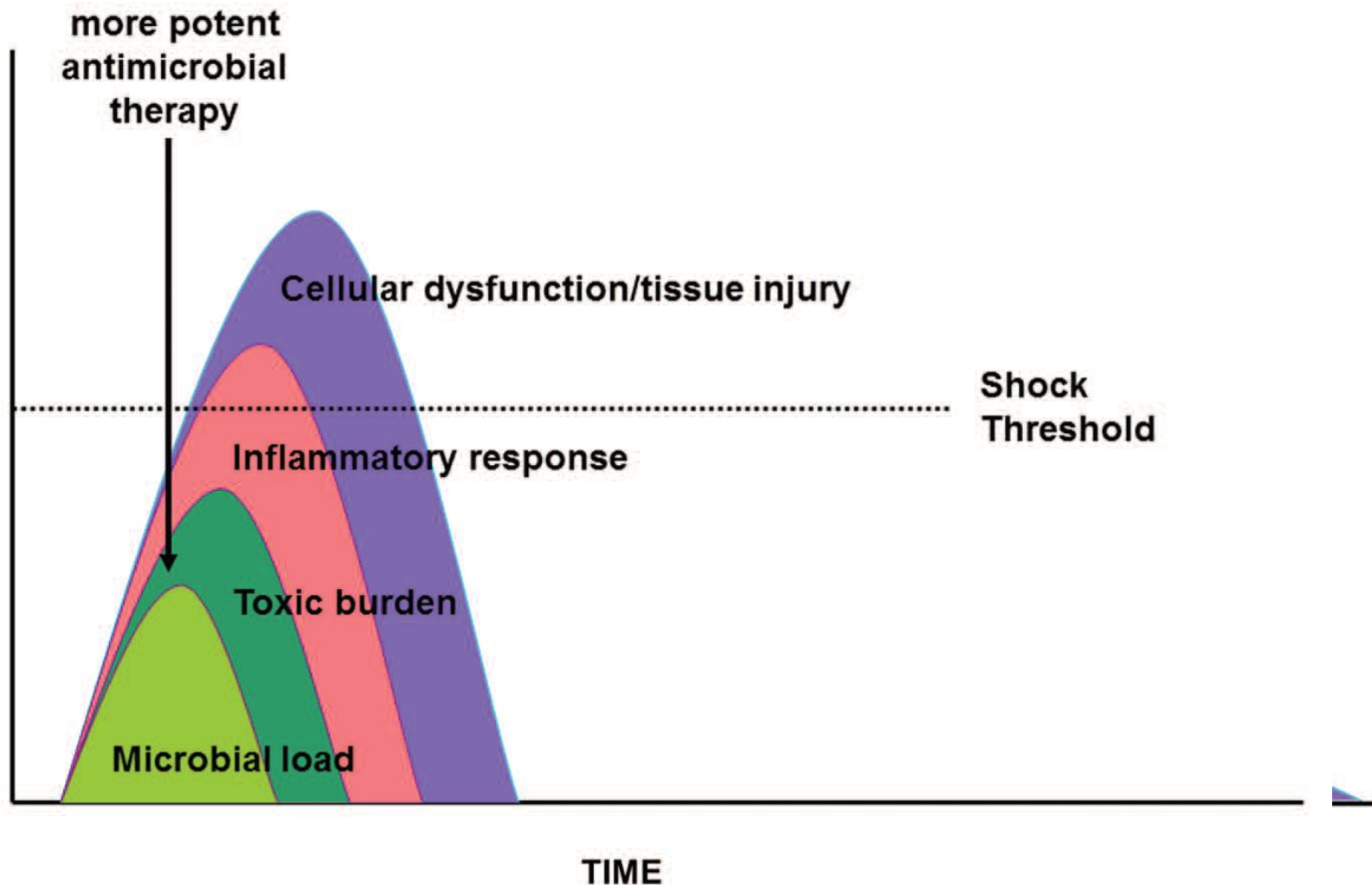
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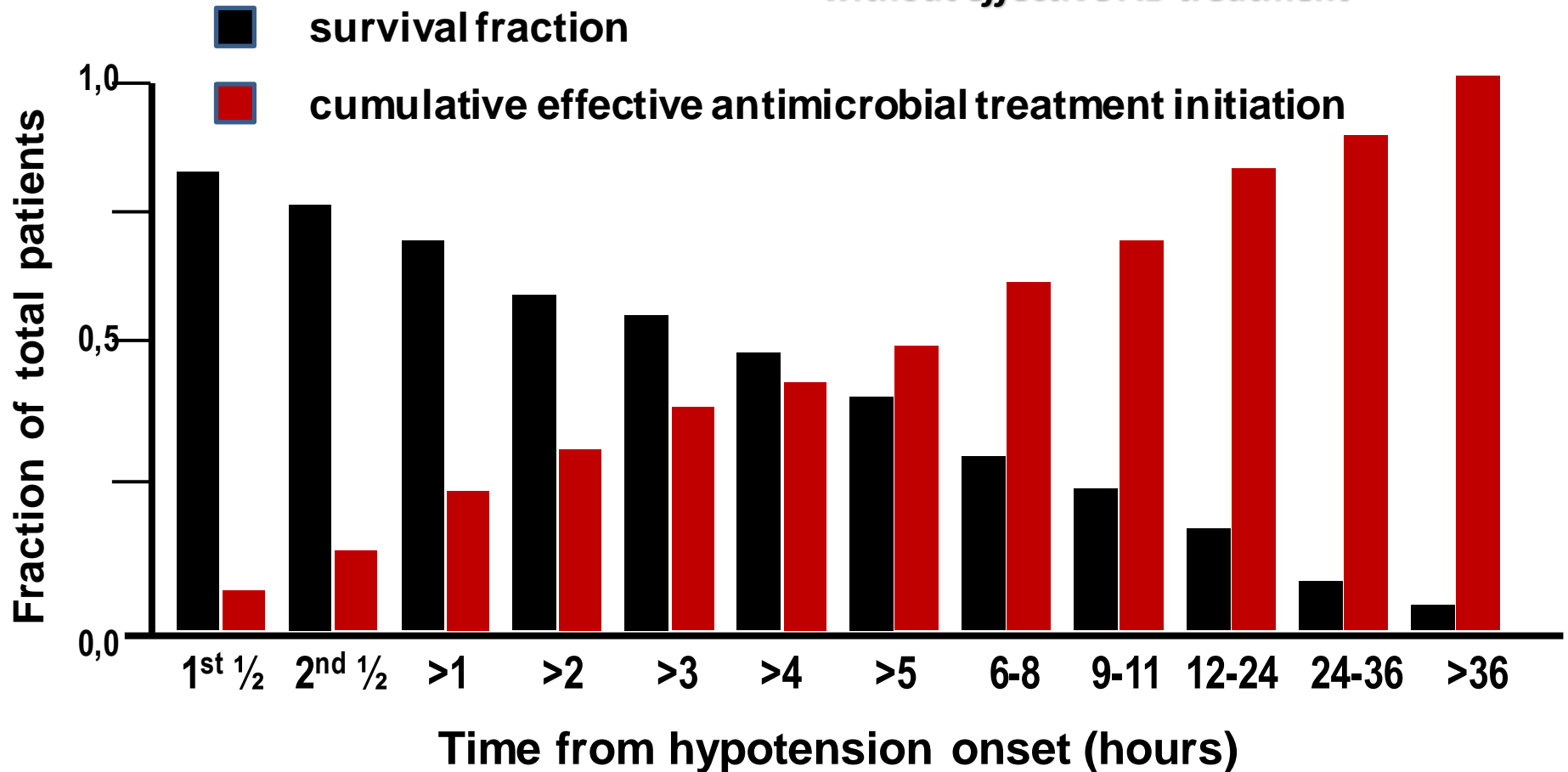
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In severe sepsis and septic shock, time is life

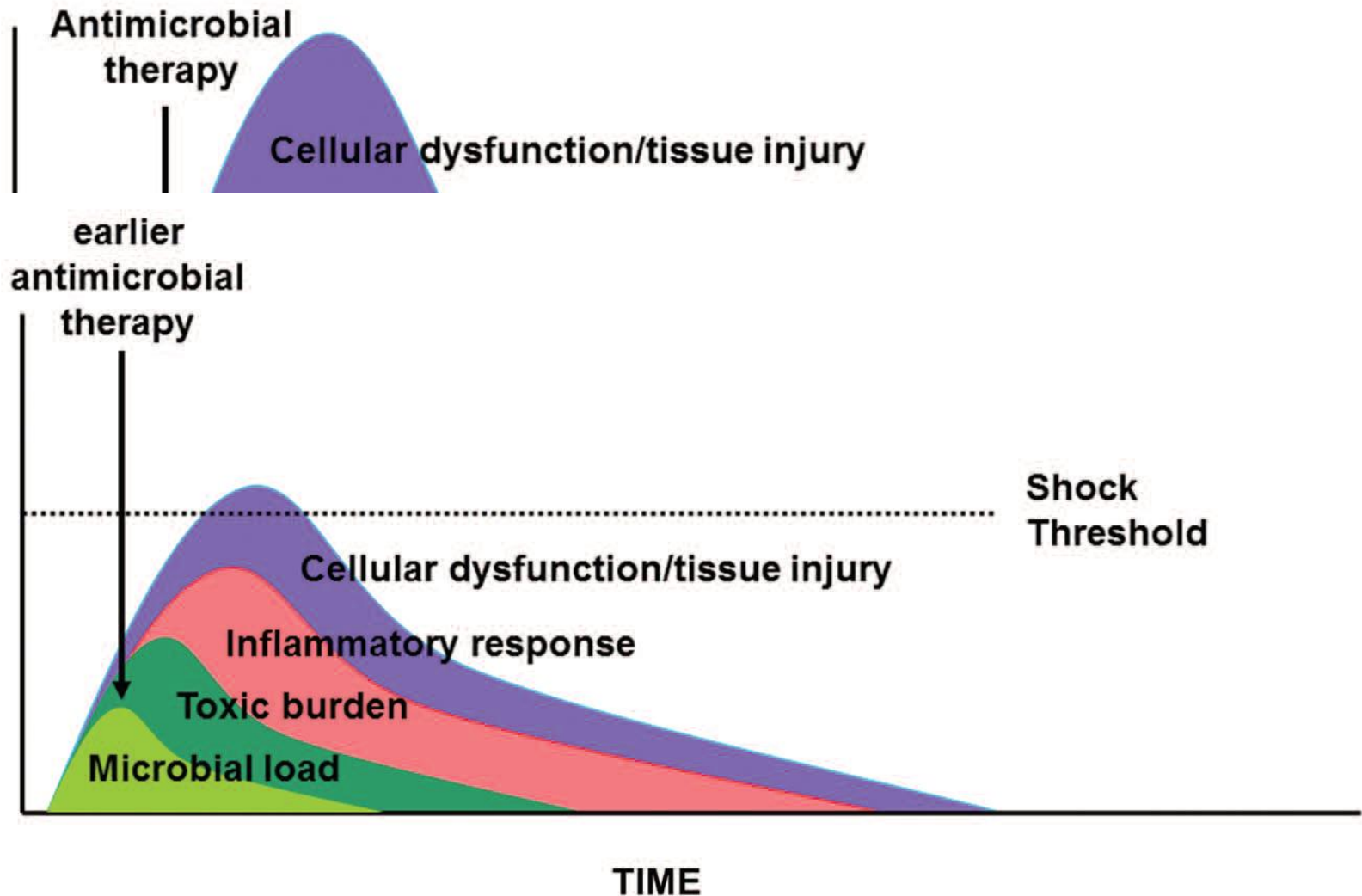
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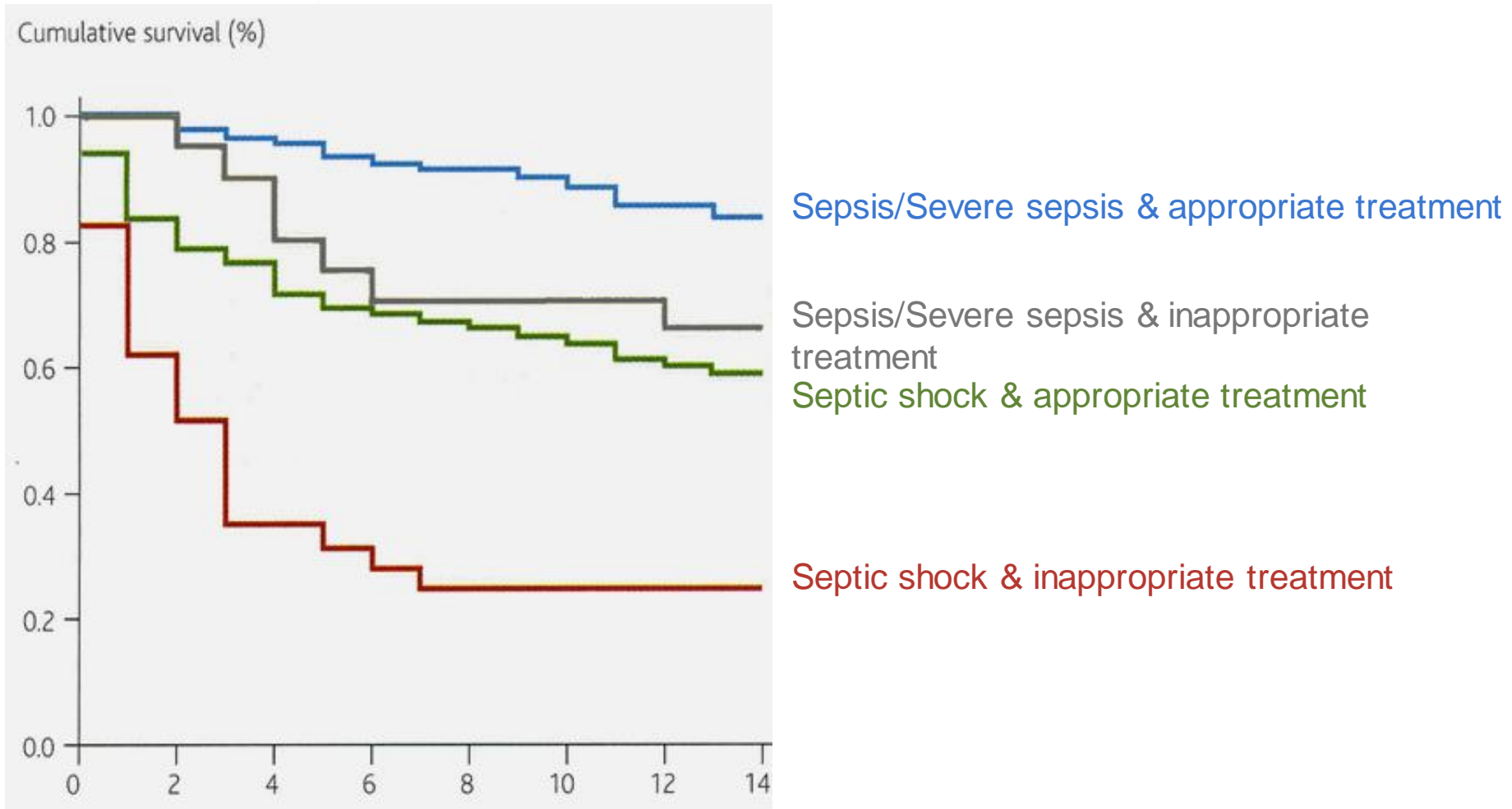
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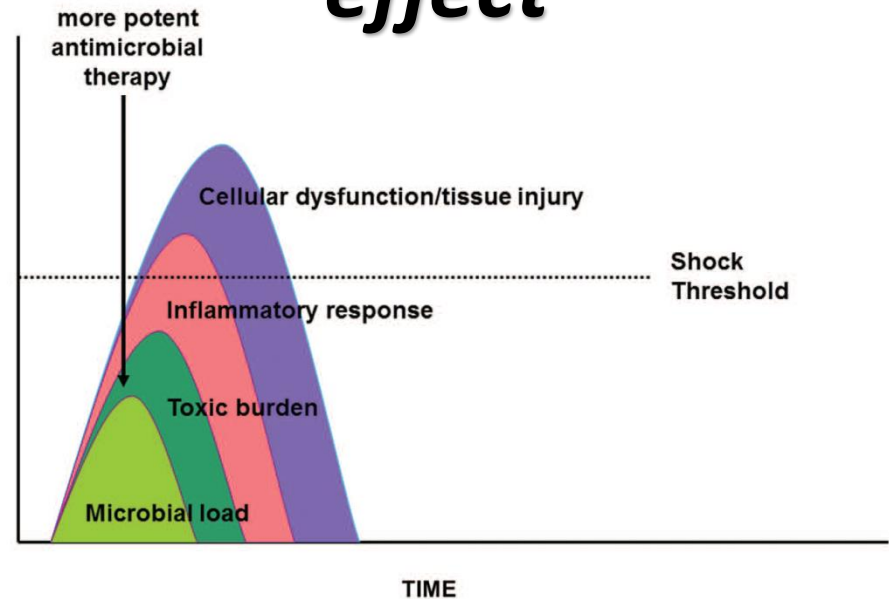
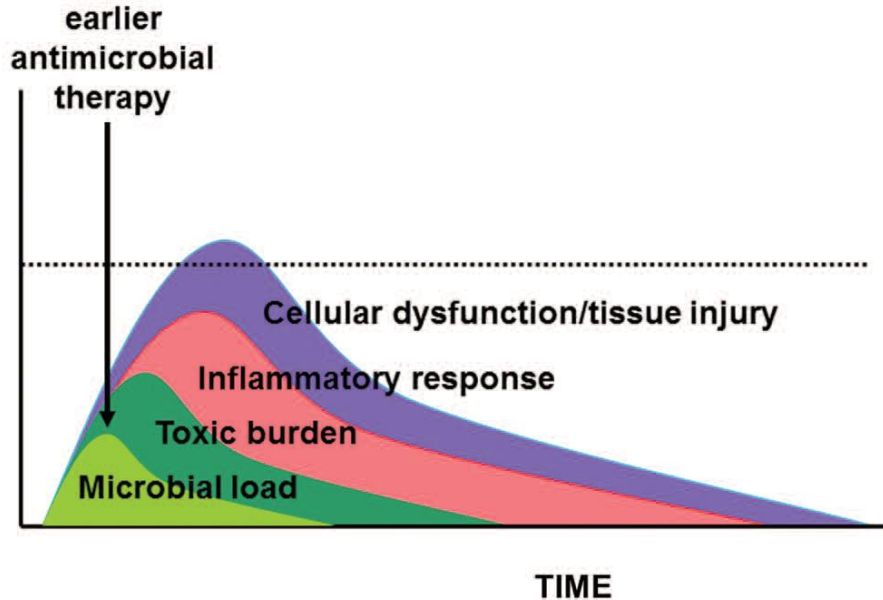
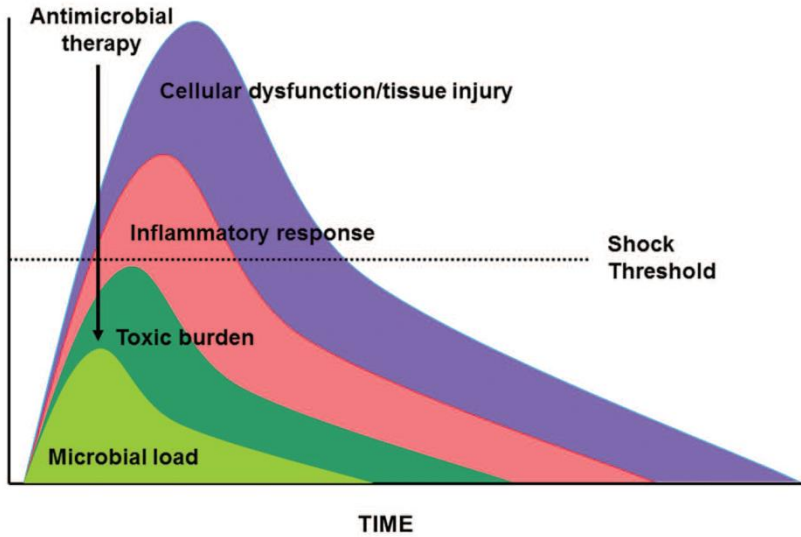
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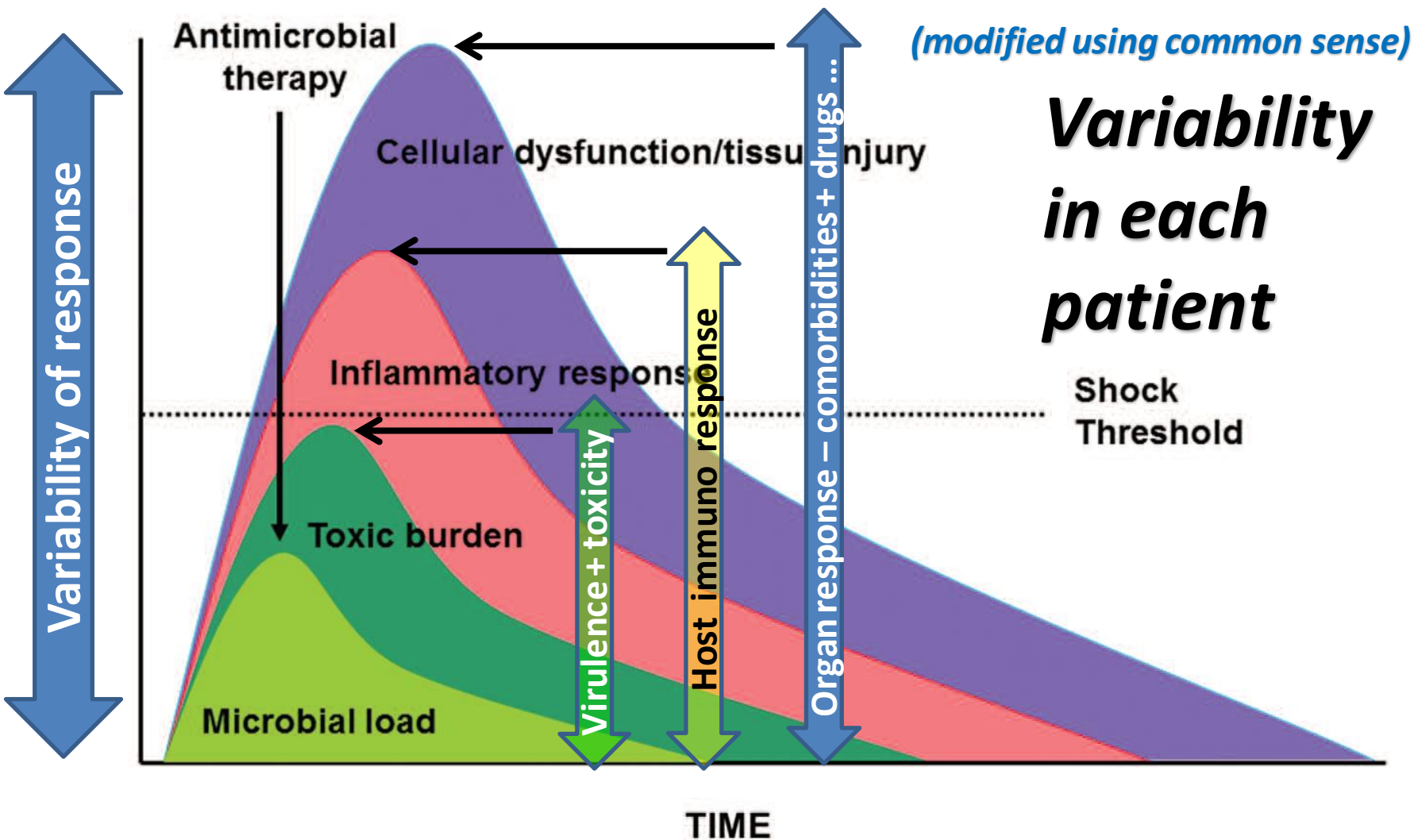
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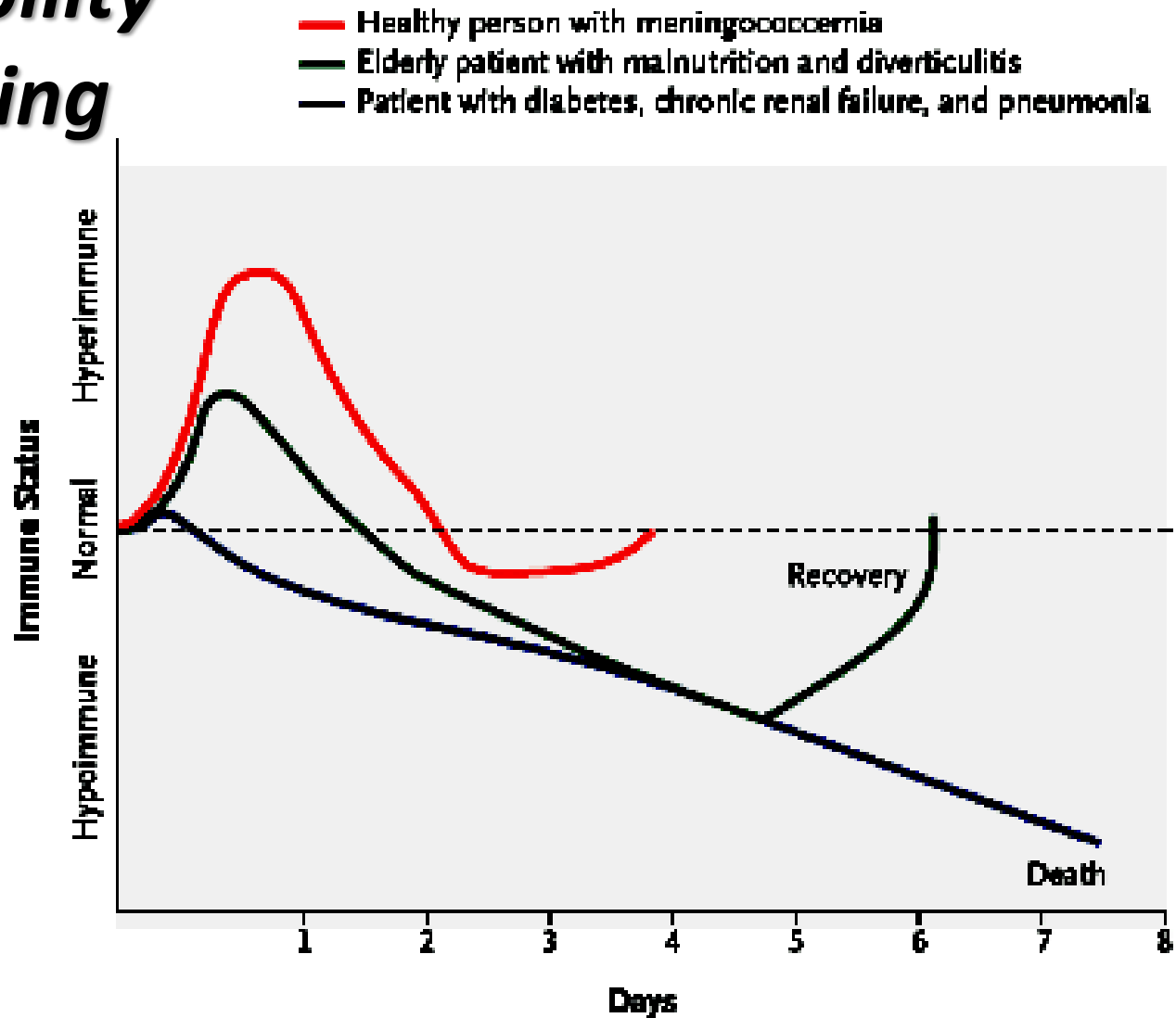


Impact of appropriate antimicrobial therapy in patients with sepsis OR septic shock.

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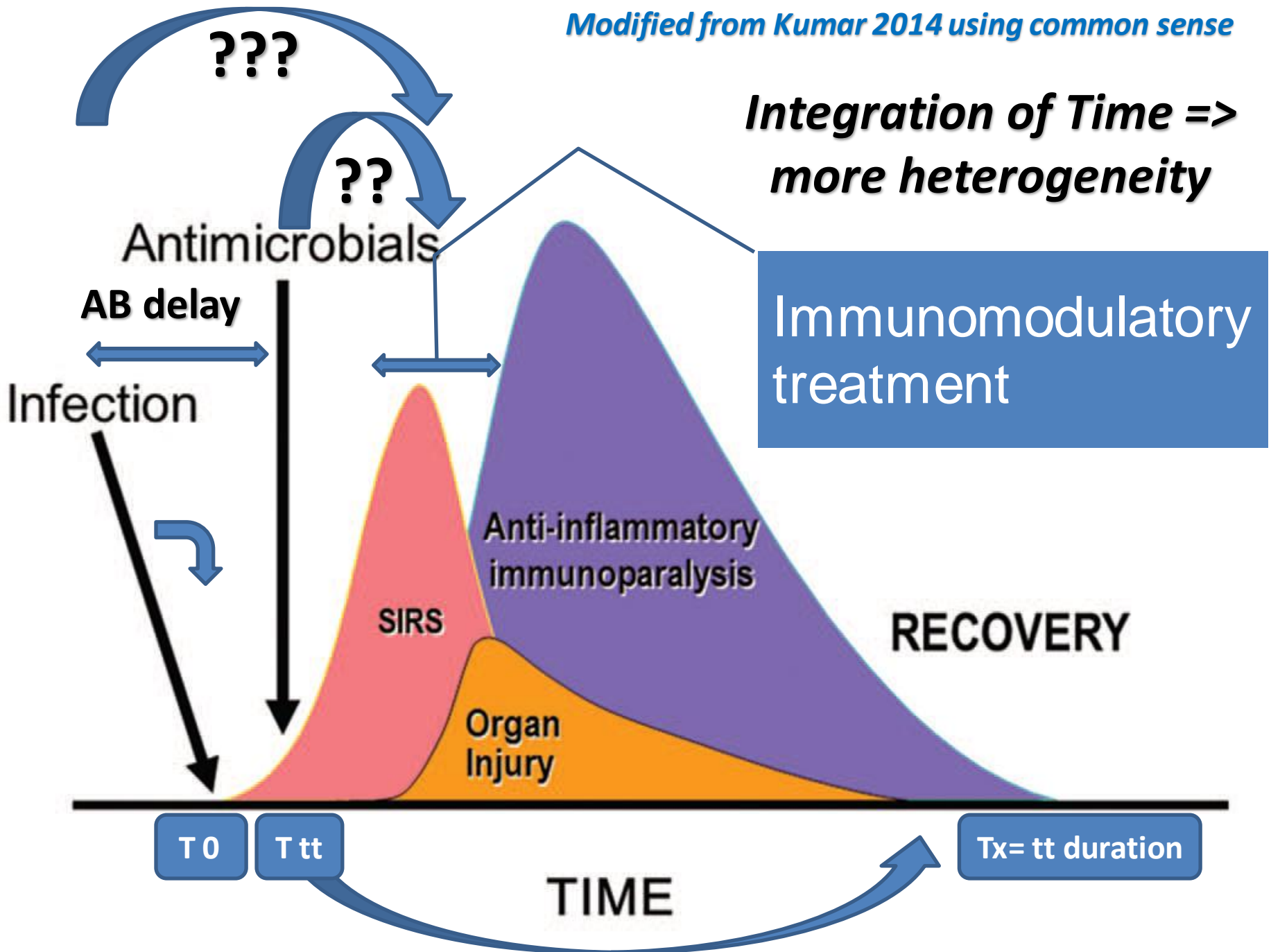


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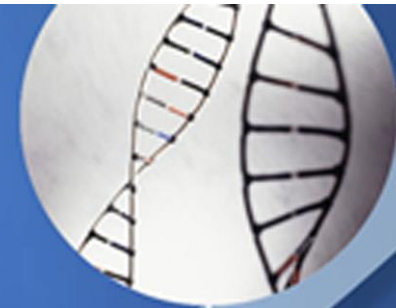
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SEVERE SEPSIS = a 4 ticks disease
SEPTIC SHOCK = a 5 ticks disease



PARTICLE IDENTIFICATION



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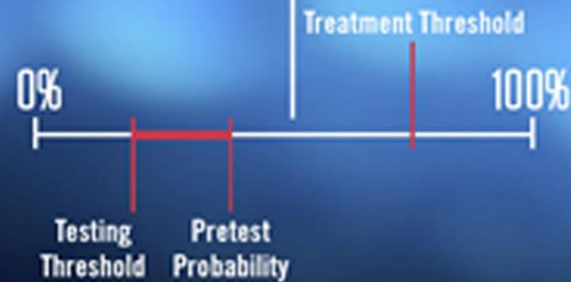
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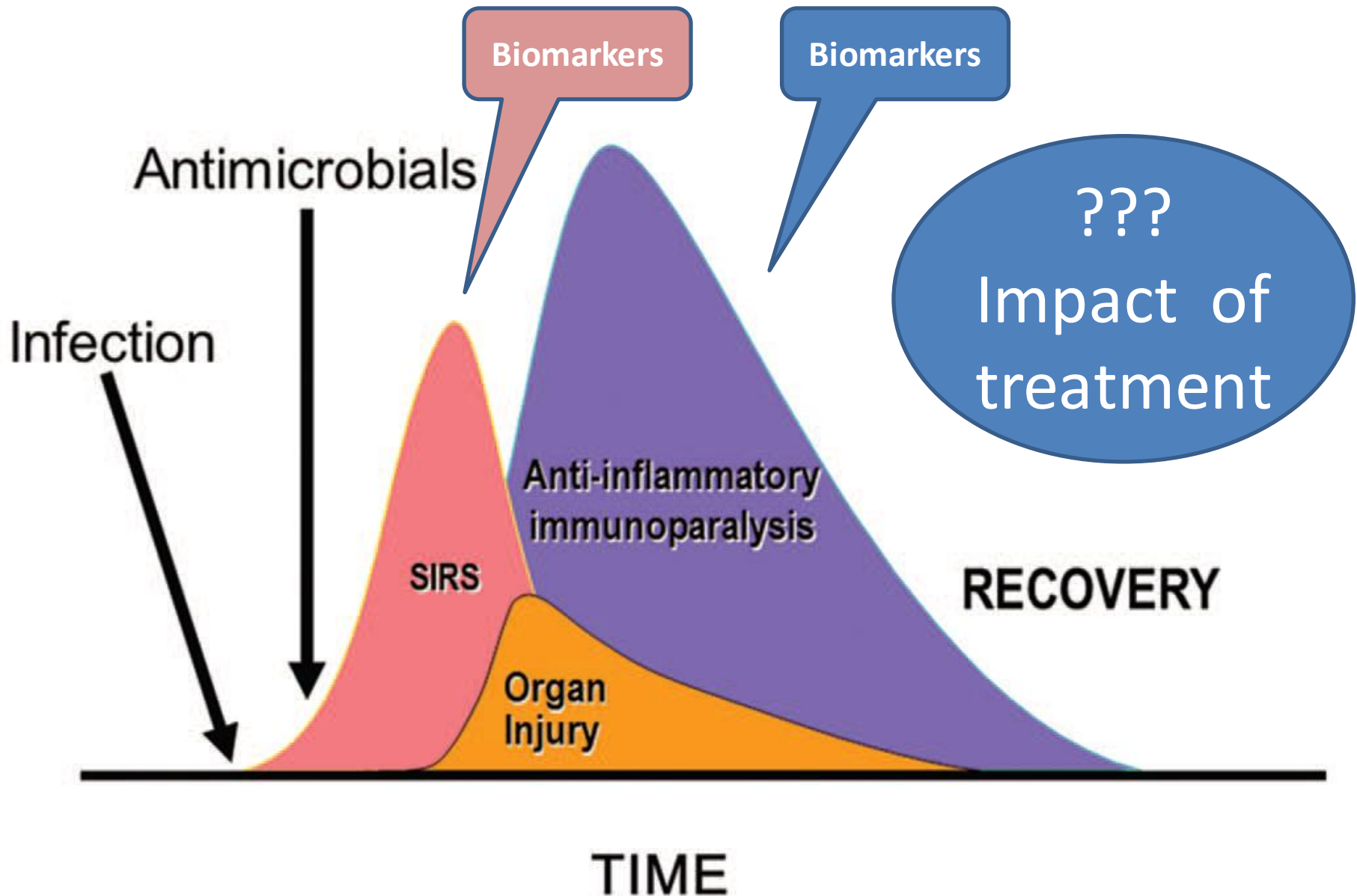
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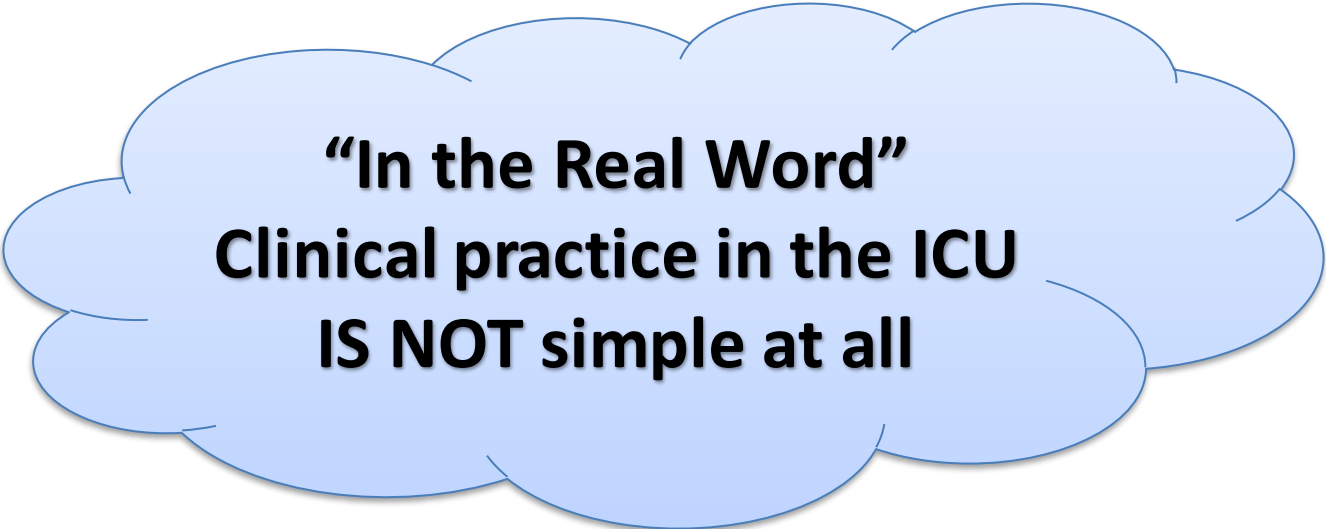
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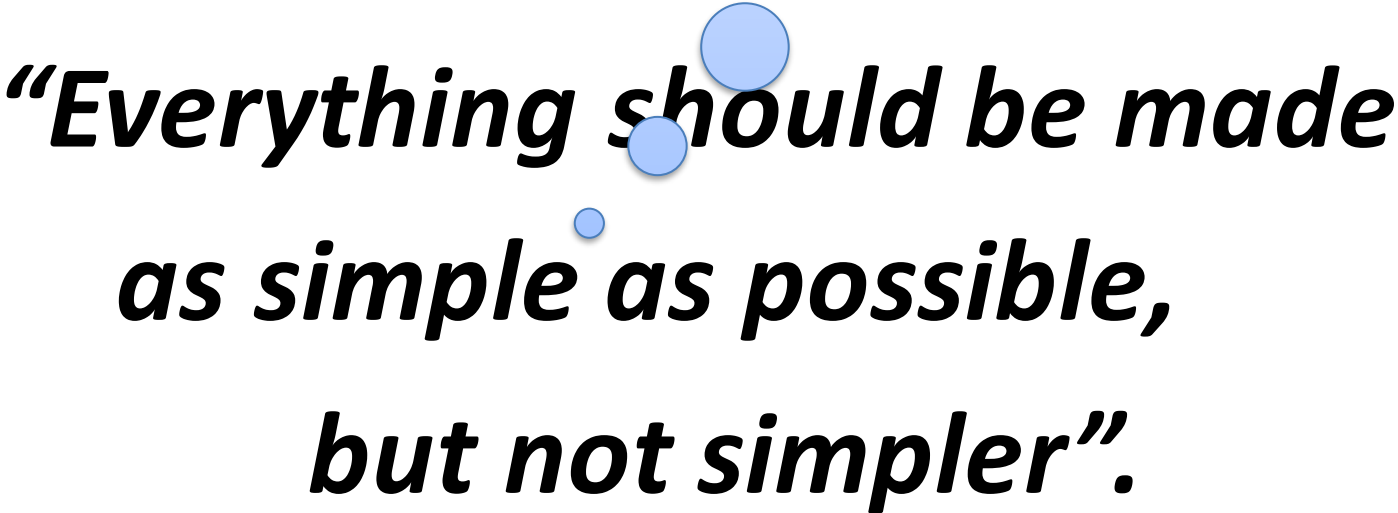
Immunologic view of sepsis and septic shock

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**“In the Real World”
Clinical practice in the ICU
IS NOT simple at all**



***“Everything should be made
as simple as possible,
but not simpler”.***

Albert Einstein

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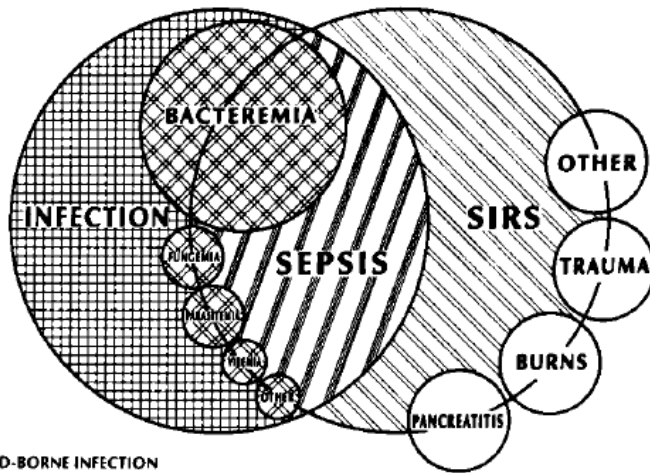
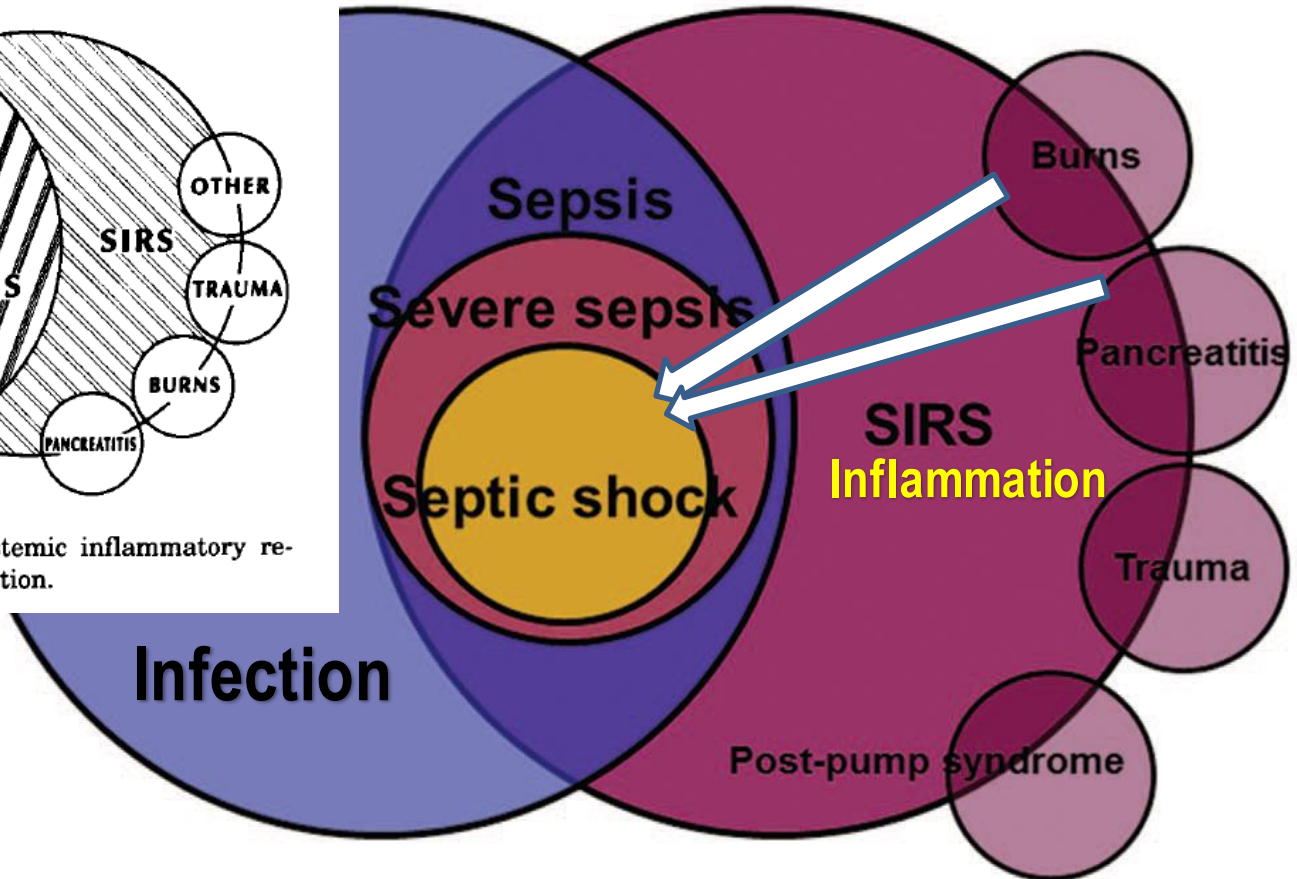
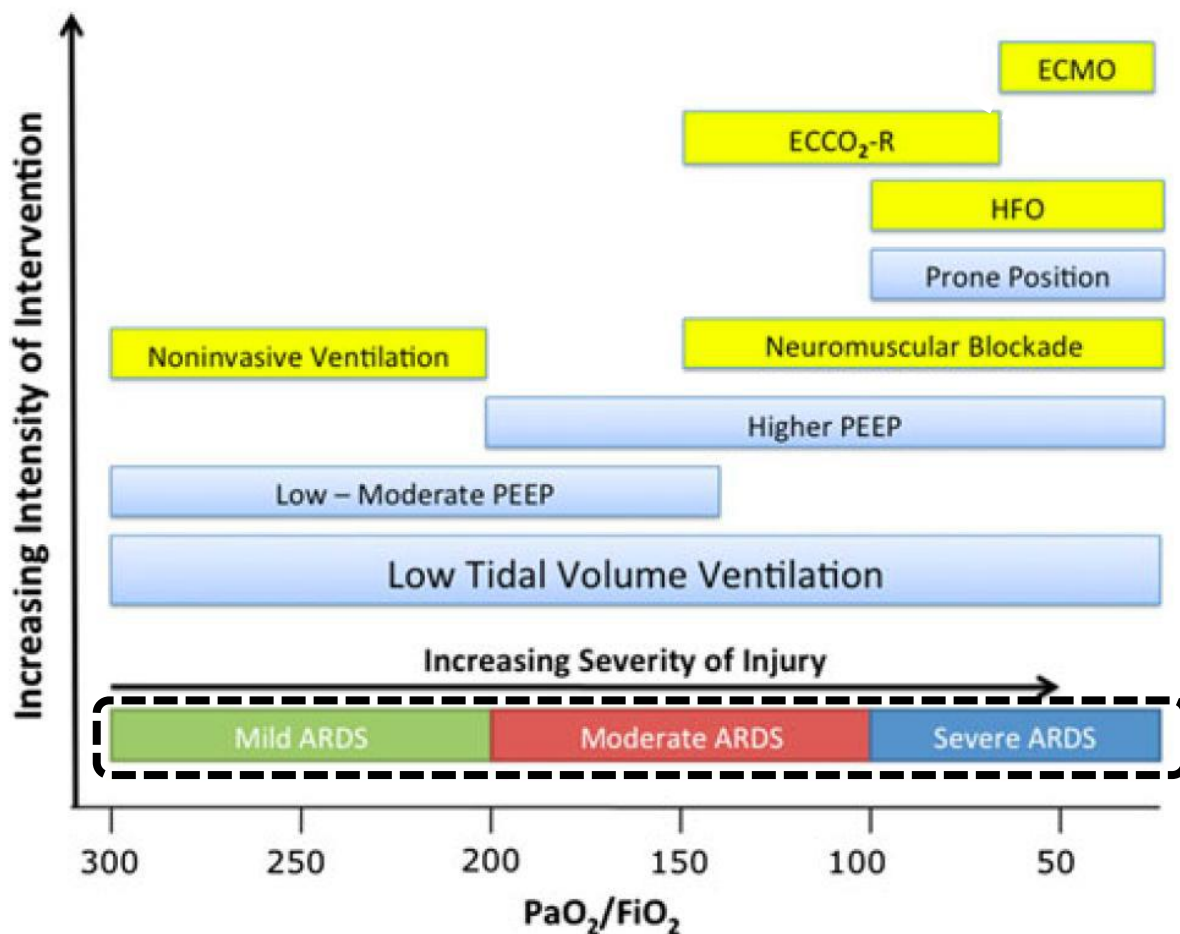


Figure 1. Interrelationships among systemic inflammatory response syndrome (SIRS), sepsis, and infection.



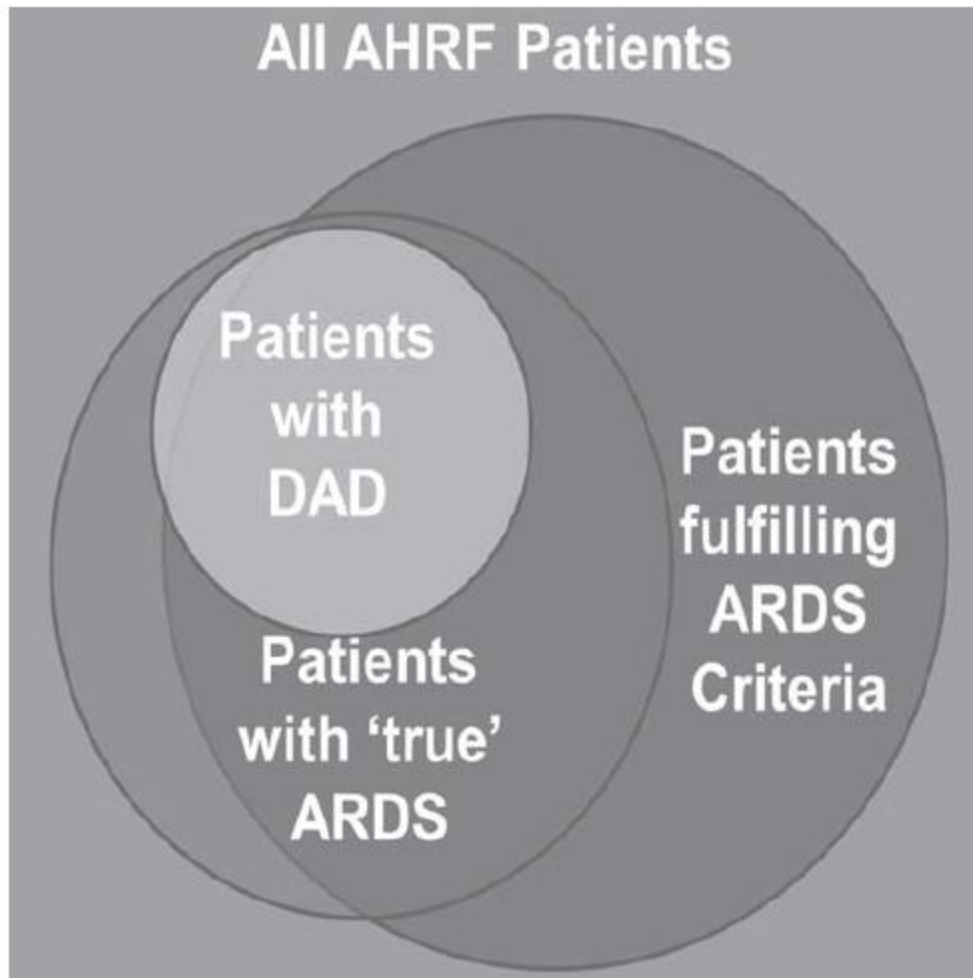
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The Berlin definition of ARDS: an expanded rationale, justification, and supplementary material



Continued under-recognition of acute respiratory distress syndrome after the Berlin definition: what is the solution?

John G. Laffey^{a,b}, Tài Pham^c, and Giacomo Bellani^{d,e}



***Definitions
follow
Purposes
Patients with
the disease***

*Curr Opin Crit Care 2017
Feb; 23(1):10-17.*

Philosophy / Epistemology (Part I)

Theory of Ideas *OR* *Theory of Forms*



Plato applies this concept to all things. According to Plato, there must be a form of the **tree itself** in somewhere. Trees that we can see in our lives share the property of the **Form of the tree itself**.

The reason why trees are trees is that they participate in the Form of the tree itself.

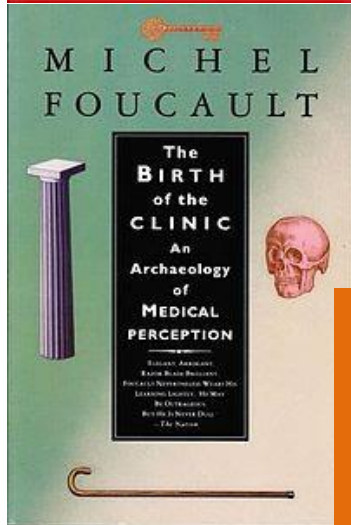
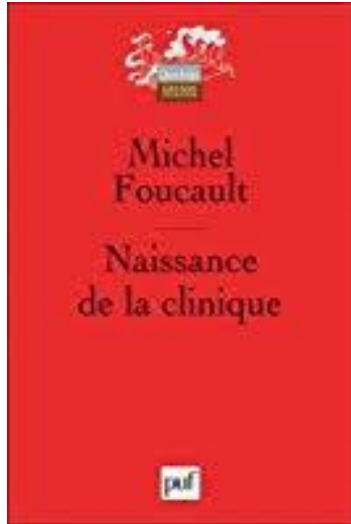
The reason why other things are not trees is that they don't participate in the Form of the tree itself.

MICHEL
FOUCAULT



Philosophy / Epistemology (II)

What Foucault is telling us is that **the clinic** (the doctor's office) is built around the idea that the patient's body is doing the talking and the doctor is only an objective observer. The doctor uses his expert training to spot the signs of disease or disorder in the patient's body and then he objectively translates these signs into a diagnosis and a treatment plan.



*Diseases exist somewhere like Plato's "Ideas" or "Forms"
"Know the name of the Evil Spirit to be able to face it"
Diagnostic boxes=> automatically treatment instructions ?*



Dellinger et al
CCM 2004
Vol. 32, No 11
(Suppl)
Introduction

A clinician armed with a sepsis change bundle, attacks the three heads of sepsis (hypotension, hypoperfusion, and organ dysfunction).

Inspired by Hercules Kills Cerberus, Renato Pettinato



Philosophy / Epistemology (Part IVa)

Two forms of intelligence according to Piaget:

Figurative intelligence

is the more or less static aspect of intelligence involving all means of representation used to retain in mind the states (i.e., successive forms, shapes, or locations) that intervene between transformations. Therefore, it involves perception, imitation, mental imagery, drawing, and language. [\[10\]](#)

Operative intelligence

is the active aspect of intelligence. It involves all actions, undertaken in order to follow, recover, or anticipate the transformations of the objects or persons of interest. [\[9\]](#)



Philosophy / Epistemology (Part IVb)

Two forms of intelligence according to Piaget:

Piaget stated that figurative or representational aspects of intelligence are subservient to its operative and dynamic aspects, and therefore, **understanding essentially derives from the operative aspect of intelligence.** [\[9\]](#)

THINKING OUT OF THE "BOX" ???

The usefulness of “phenotypes” in “medical cognitive development”

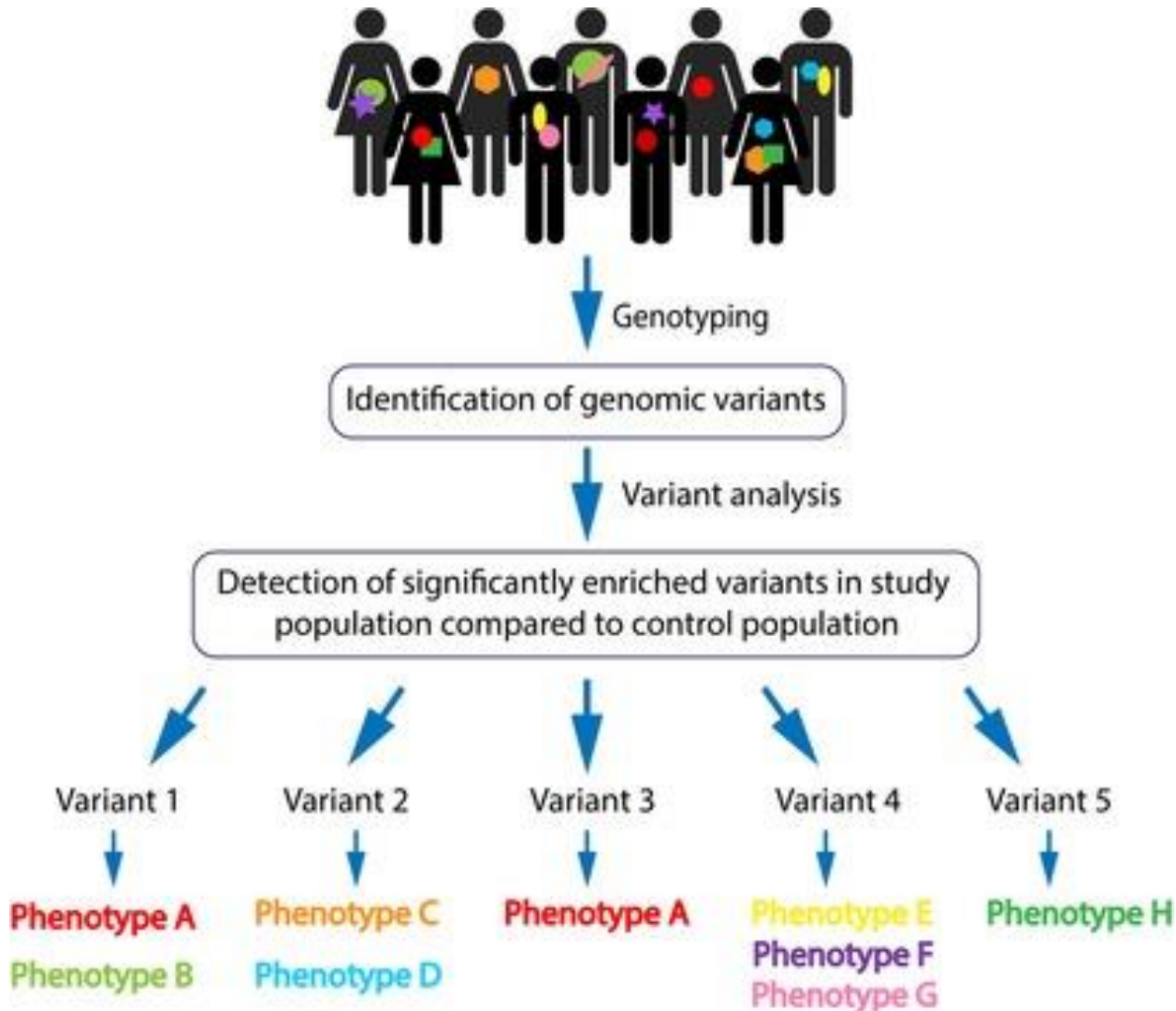
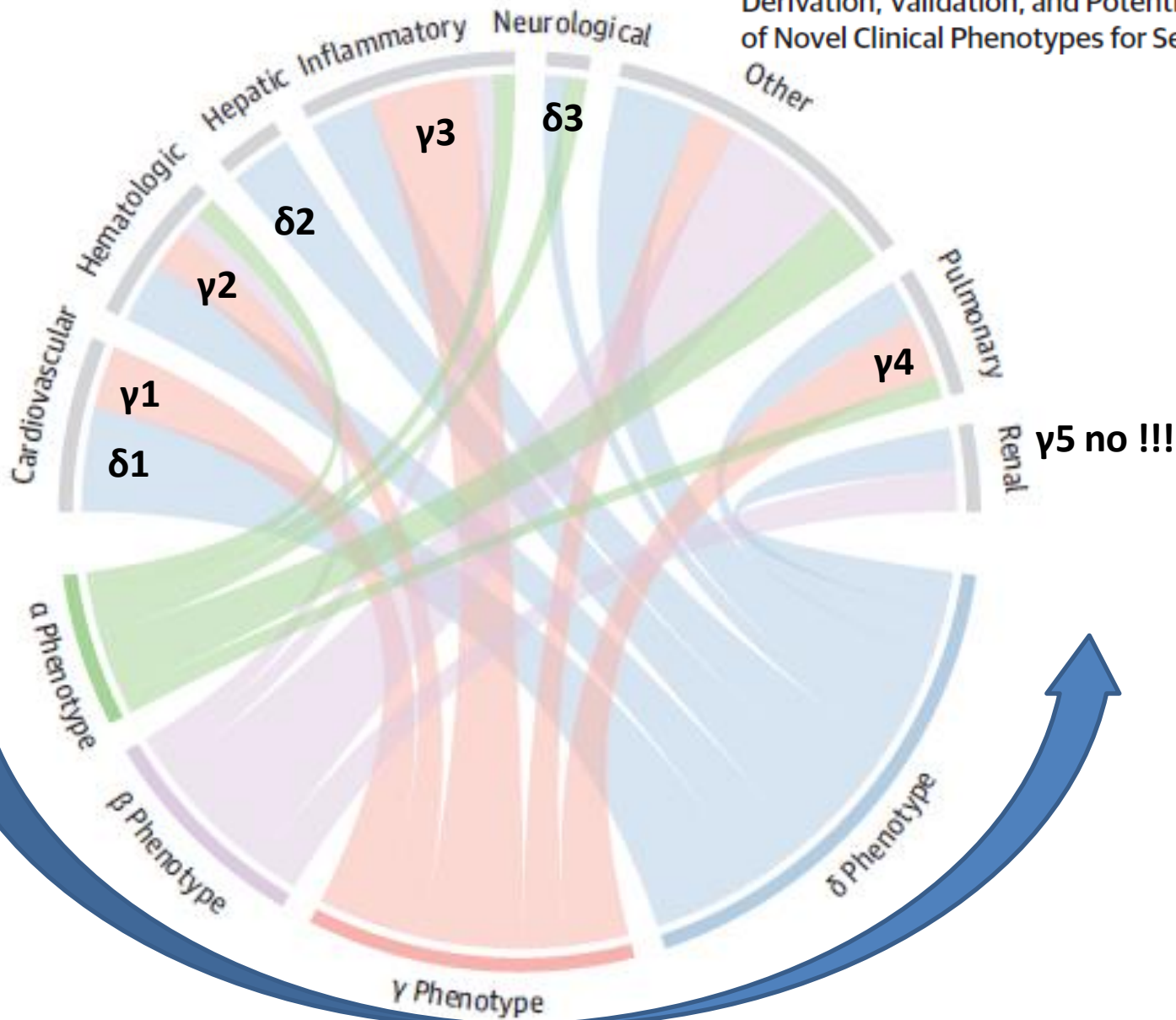


Figure 1. Chord Diagrams Showing Abnormal Clinical Variables by Phenotype

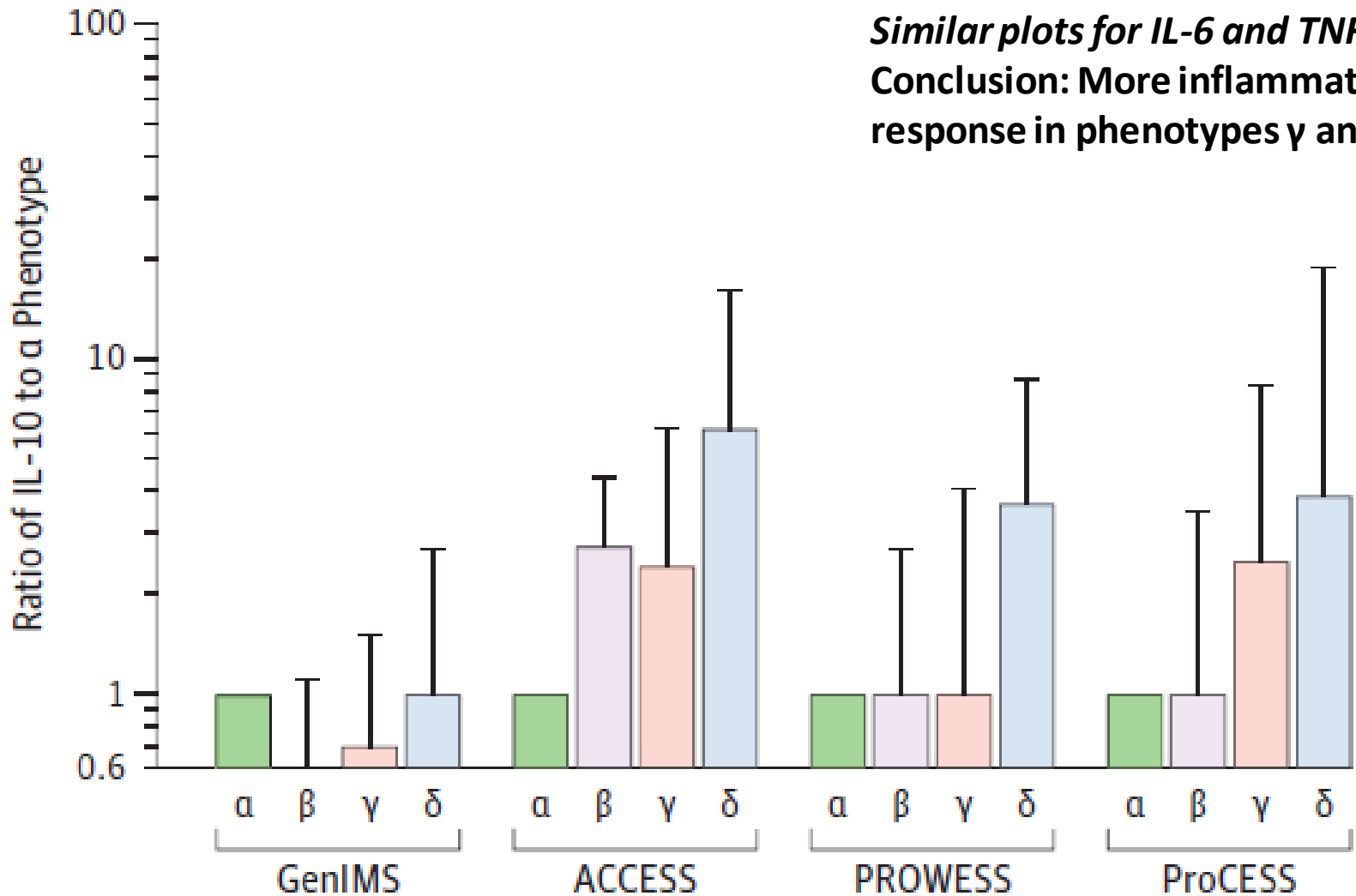
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JAMA 2019

Derivation, Validation, and Potential Treatment Implications
of Novel Clinical Phenotypes for Sepsis

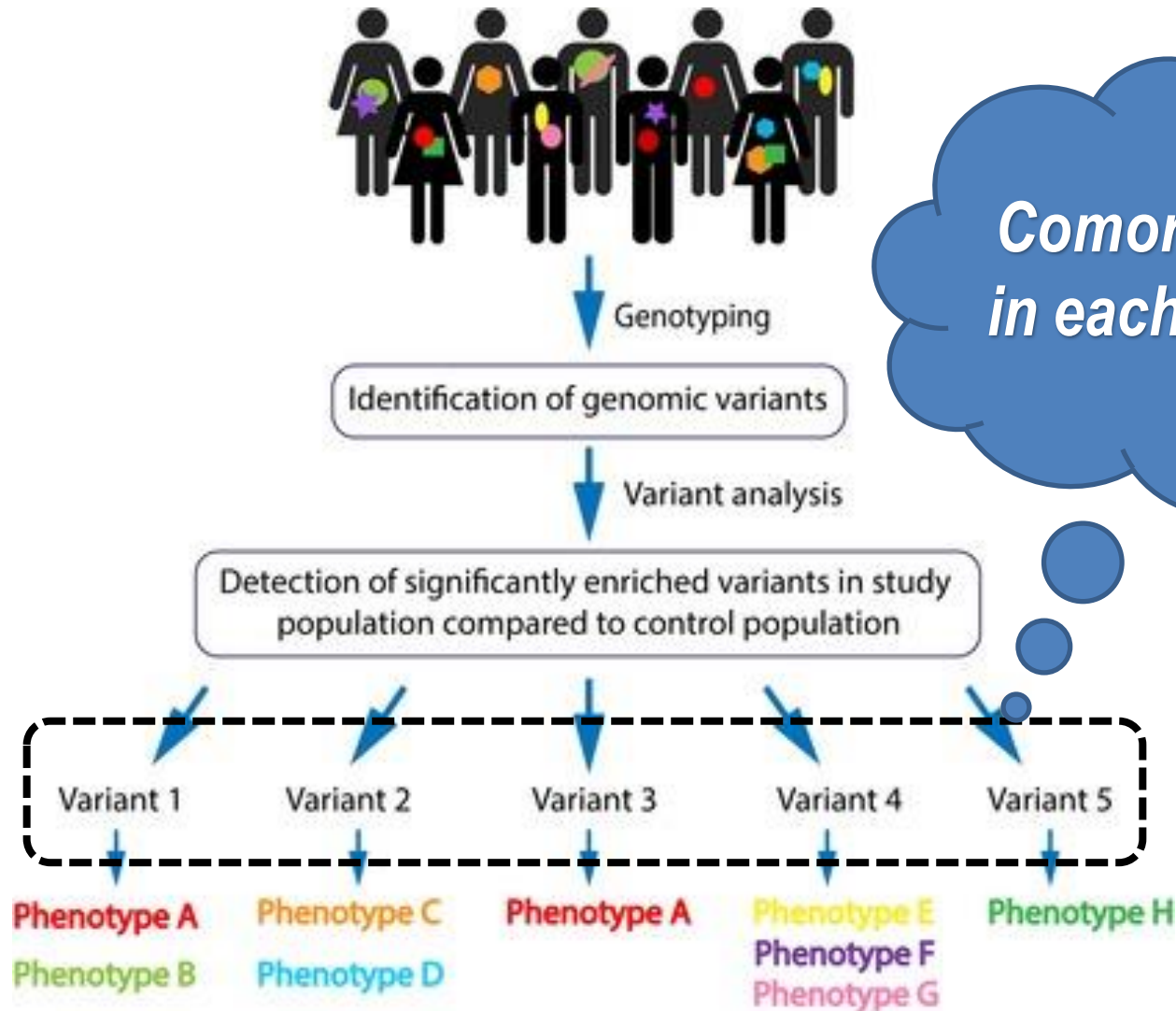
A All phenotypes combined



B Ratio of IL-10 to a phenotype



The usefulness of “phenotypes” in “medical cognitive development”



*Comorbidities
in each patient*

The diagnosis of sepsis revisited - a challenge for young medical scientists in the 21st century

Lawrence A Lynn



Expert
opinion

Lynn *Patient Safety in Surgery* 2014, **8**:1
<http://www.pssjournal.com/content/8/1/1>

Abstract

In 1991, a well-meaning consensus group of thought leaders derived a simple definition for sepsis which required the breach of only a few static thresholds. More than 20 years later, this simple definition has calcified to become the gold standard for sepsis protocols and research. Yet sepsis clearly comprises a complex, dynamic, and relational distortion of human life. Given the profound scope of the loss of life worldwide, there is a need to disengage from the simple concepts of the past. There is an acute need to develop 21st century approaches which engage sepsis in its true form, as a complex, dynamic, and relational pattern of death.

There is a need to disengage from the simple concepts of the past and to develop 21st century approaches which engage sepsis in its true form, a complex-dynamic-relational pattern of death.

An alternate pathophysiologic paradigm of sepsis and septic shock

Implications of individual response variability

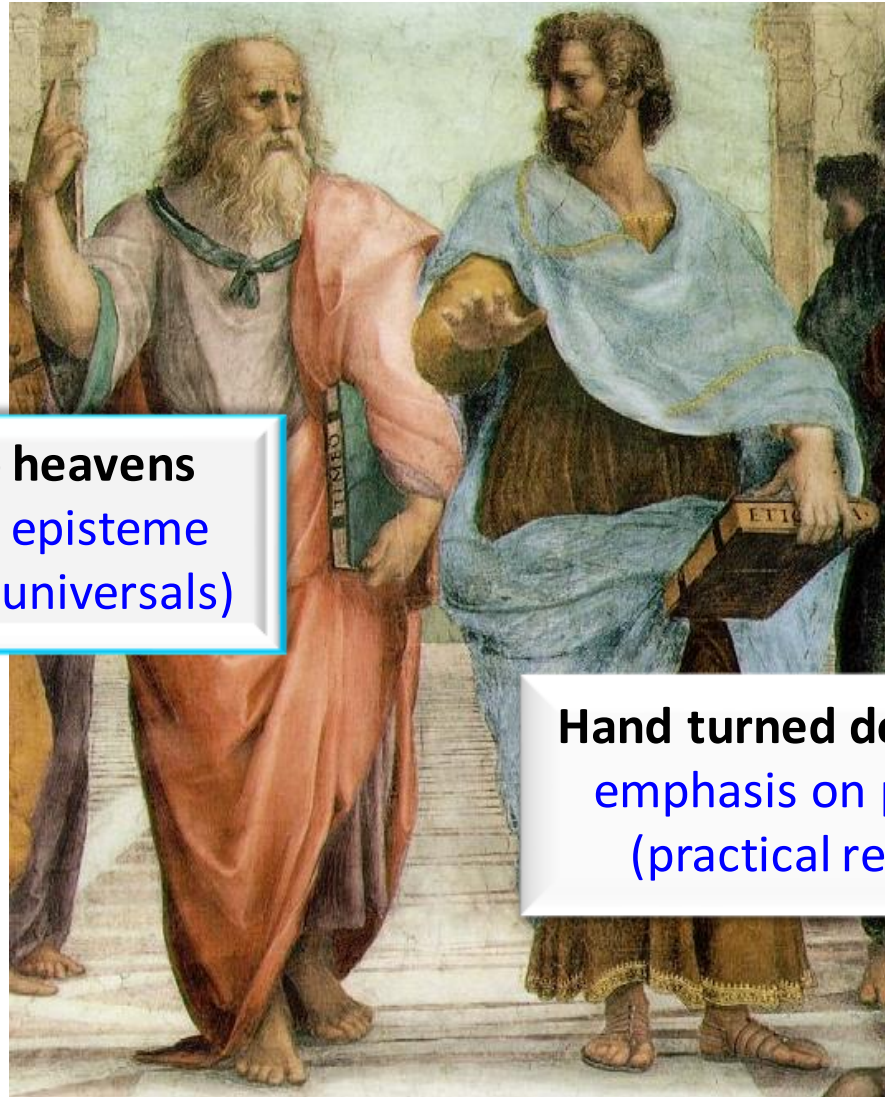
A new paradigm (modified from Anand Kumar)

- ***Current paradigm: Immunologic Model***
- ***The classic paradigm: Microbiologic Primacy***
- ***A new Composite Model: Integrating Shock***



Dialectic approach (Διαλεκτική προσέγγιση)

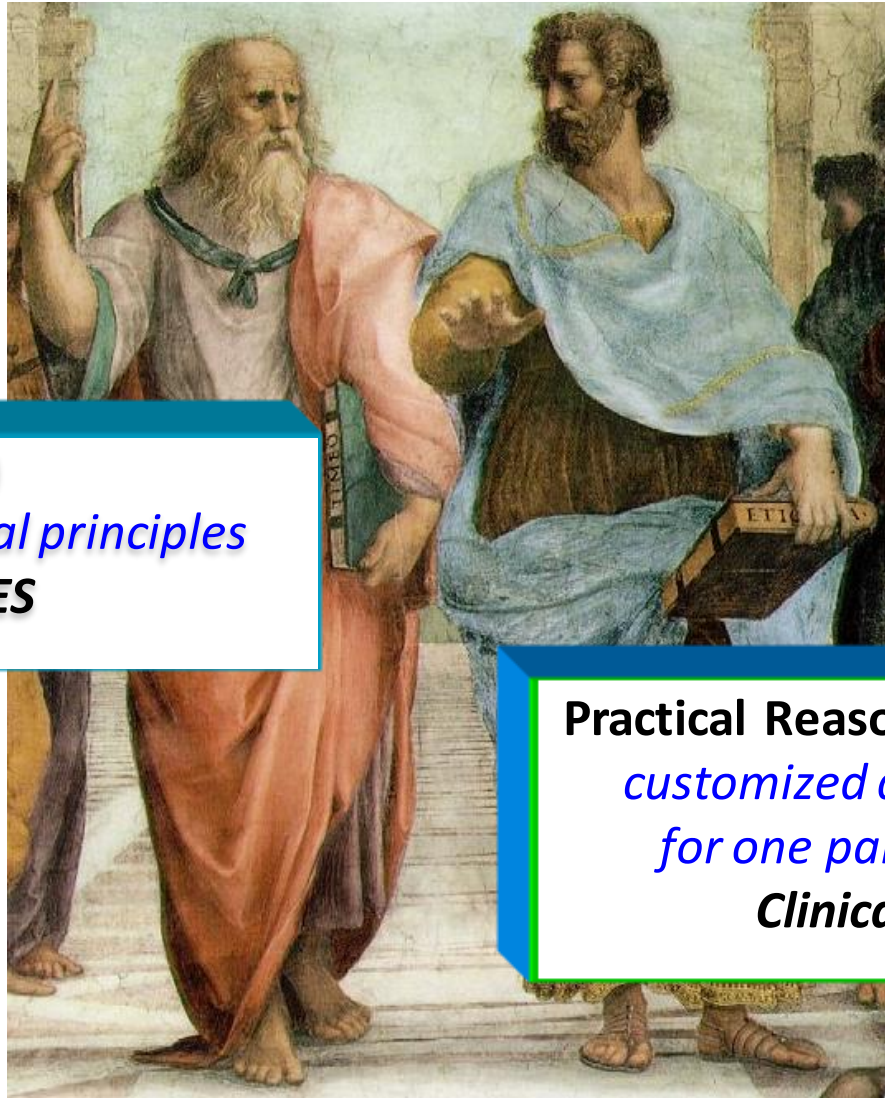
Raphael 1483-1520: The school of Athens 1510-11, Vaticano



Pointing up to heavens
emphasis on episteme
(theoretical universals)

Hand turned down to earth
emphasis on phronesis
(practical reasoning)

Plato, 427-347 BC Aristotle, 384– 322 BC



Science (*episteme*)

based on universal principles

GUIDELINES

Practical Reasoning (*phronesis*)

customized decision

for one particular patient

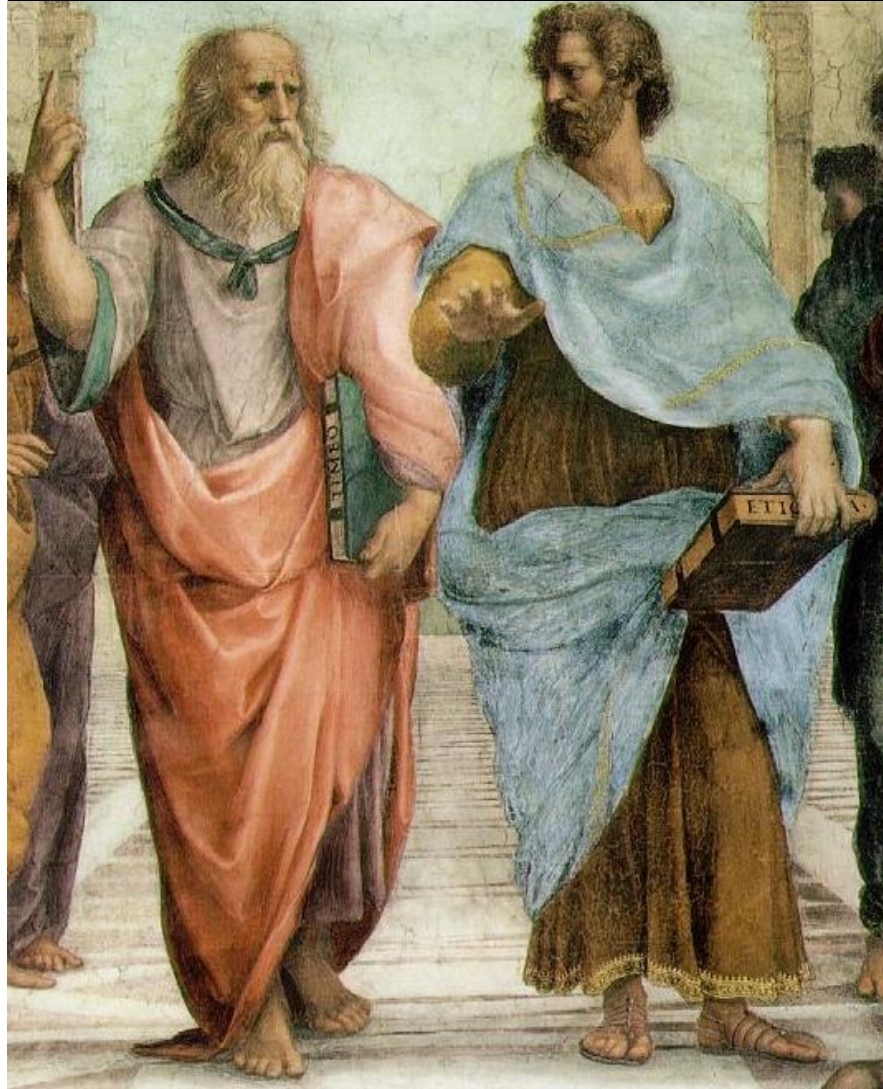
Clinical practice

Plato, 427-347 BC

Aristotle, 384– 322 BC

*We need a dialectic approach
using both Theory and Phronesis*

**“Clinical
Practice
Guidelines”**



**for a
“customized”
decision
making
for the
individual
patient**

Plato, 427-347 BC Aristotle, 384– 322 BC

Patients are not airplanes and doctors
are not pilots

Richard Rissmiller, MD, Internal Medicine, Carolinas Medical Center, Charlotte, NC

To the Editor:

While I do not claim to have the research experience of Drs. Kortgen and colleagues (1) and Dr. Rivers (2), I do have a fair amount of experience treating sepsis. I ~~am tiring of the ongoing analogy of the~~ airline industry or of a jet pilot in regard to

The authors reply:

Emanuel P. Rivers, MD, MPH, IOM,

Although co-morbidities make each patient unique, making the management of sepsis an art and a science, they also add a higher level of complexity requiring an orderly approach to patient care.

In the absence of order, chaos reigns, which benefits no one, including the patients we serve.

EMERGENCY MEDICINE DECISION MAKING

*Critical Choices in
Chaotic Environments*

SCOTT WEINGART
PETER WYER



*One size
DOES NOT
fit all*



Expert (and my) Opinion

Russell Burck Rush University Medical Center, Chicago, IL

Editorial in Critical Care Medicine 2004

“Clearly, the reality of the science of critical care is that it is a mess.

That

*The p
notice*

**In the ICU treatment
must be “tailored”
to pathophysiology**

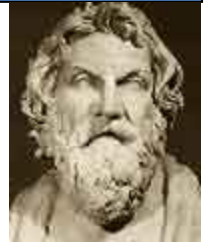
*... did not
... and address that reality”*

«Αρχή σοφίας η των ονομάτων επίσκεψις»

Αντισθένης (445 -360 π.Χ.)

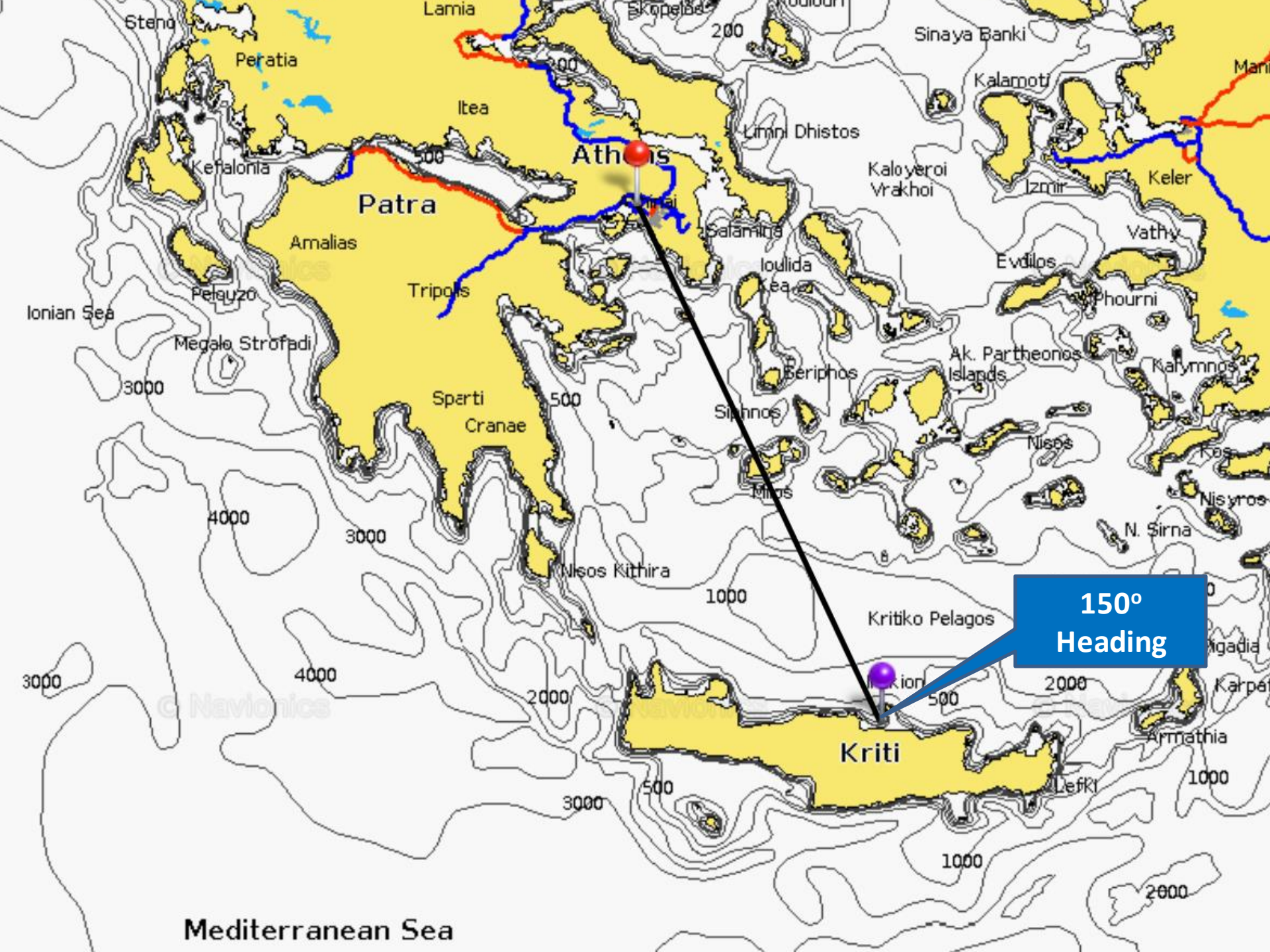
Guidelines ΔΕΝ σημαίνει:

- Κανόνες ; (rules)
- Αρχές αντιμετώπισης ; (principles)
- Οδηγίες ; (instructions – manual ?)



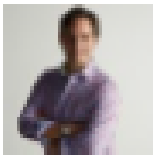
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- Παράδειγμα πλοήγηση για Κρήτη=κατεύθυνση 150°



150°
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Why You Need to Give Your Team a Compass, Not a GPS

A map is certainly a handy tool to help you reach your destination. When the map is accurate, you can sit back and follow your course, no thinking required.

Your brain can really take a vacation if you're using the GPS guidance in your car or Google Map exactly how to navigate every twist and turn, you can focus elsewhere and simply comply. **Follow the Guidelines**

Why You Need to Give Your Team a Compass, Not a Map

Management-by-operating-manuals worked fine back in the days when markets were local, customers were homogenous, product cycles occurred over decades, and complexity was minimal. *

Workers didn't need to think all that much on their own, as long as following the map would ensure their safe arrival.

Why You Need to Give Your Team a Compass, Not a Map

When teams or organizations turn off their brains and simply follow the map, progress shrivels.

Shifting terrain, unexpected roadblocks, and surprise attacks can be conquered only by travelers who can think and act without detailed instructions.

To study the phenomenon of disease without books is to sail uncharted sea, while to study books without patients is not to go to sea at all.

William Osler



Evidence Based Medicine: the wolf in sheep's clothing [Cassiere et al 1998](#)

- “Decisions must be made by clinicians and not by reviewers, who combine experience, judgement and a thoughtful review of the literature”.

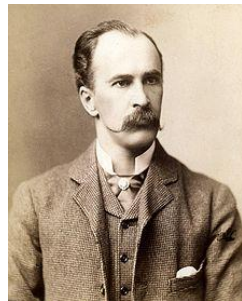


Είναι πολύ πιο σημαντικό να γνωρίζεις τον ασθενή, παρά την ασθένεια Ιπποκράτης

The good physician
treats the disease;
the great physician
treats the patient
who has the disease.

*The good researcher
studies the disease;
the great clinician
“translates” research to
“customize” treatment
for the patient who has
the disease*

William Osler



(personalized ≠ precision medicine)

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