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Problématique du Sepsis et des Infections à *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* dans un Centre de Brûlés

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Decreased Mortality From Major Thermal Injury Has Been Due To Advances In:

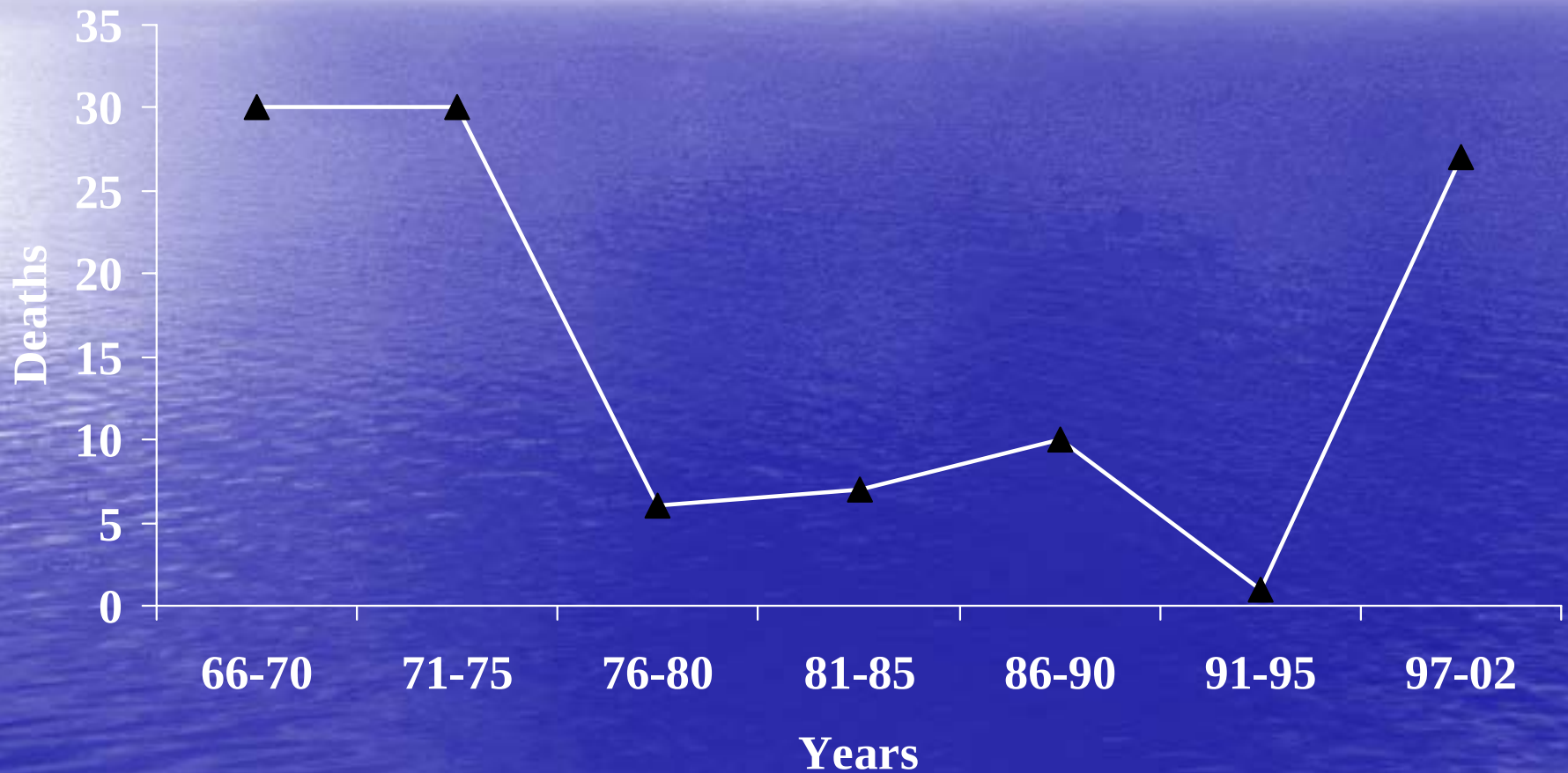


- Resuscitation
- Control of Infection
- Support of the Hypermetabolic Response To Trauma
- Early Closure of the Burn Wound

Burn Mortality (TBSA associated with LD50)

	Age Groups (years)			
	0-14	15-44	45-64	>65
Bull & Fisher (1942-52) 2807 Patients	49 n = 1366	46 n = 967	27 n = 330	10 n = 144
Bull 1967-70 1917 Patients	64 n = 962	56 n = 565	40 n = 246	17 n = 144
Curreri & Abston 1975-79 1508 Patients	77 n = 803	63 n = 413	38 n = 178	23 n = 114
SBI/UTMB 1980-89 2164 Patients	98 n = 1524	70 n = 450	46 n = 127	19 n = 63
SBI/UTMB 1989-2005 Patients 1722	98 n=1083	82 n=420	78 n=152	35 n=67

Deaths from Sepsis



Invasive Burn Wound Infections 1991-2004

Admissions:

3,876

Patients with Invasive Wound Infections

Bacterial:

Gram negative bacilli:

Gram positive cocci:

20

5

25

90

Fungal:

Aspergillus sp.:

Mucor sp.:

Candida sp.:

47

16

2

65

Incidence

2.3%

Mortality

55/90 (61%)

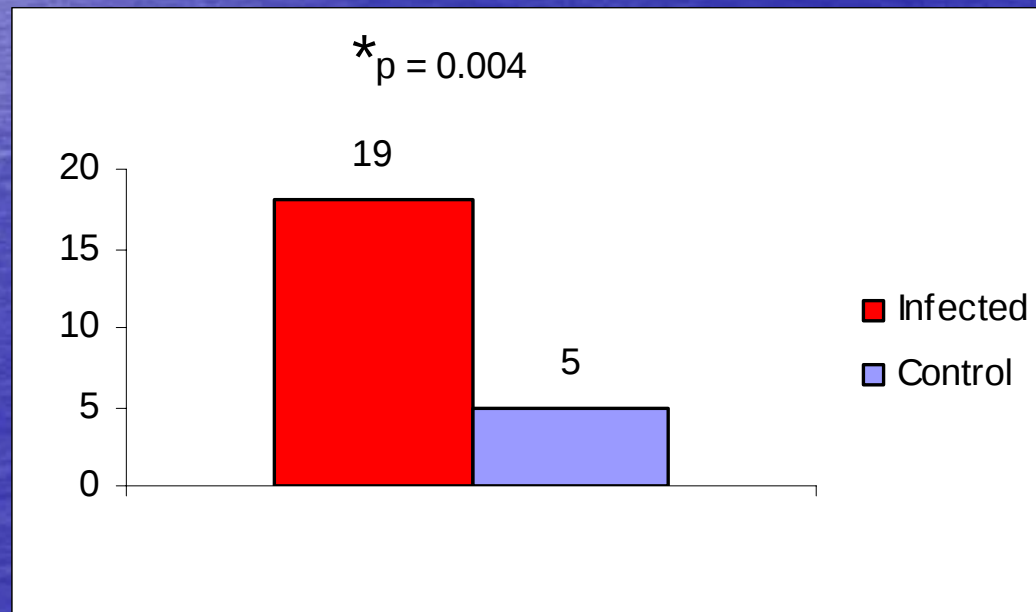
Increased Deaths from Sepsis Due to Antibiotic Resistant Organisms 1997-2002

Organism	# Deaths	Mean % Burn	Mean LOS (days)	Antibiotic Treatment
Fusarium	7	72 %	28	Amphotericin
Acinetobacter	14	73 %	29	Colistin
Vancomycin Resistant Enterococcus and Pan Resistant Pseudomonas	6	76 %	37	

Fusarium: 7 deaths out of 8 patients admitted from mass disaster.

Mortality associated with Fungal Infection in Burns

- 30 % of Burn Patients Become Colonized With Candida Sp. At Some Time During Their Acute Hospital Stay.



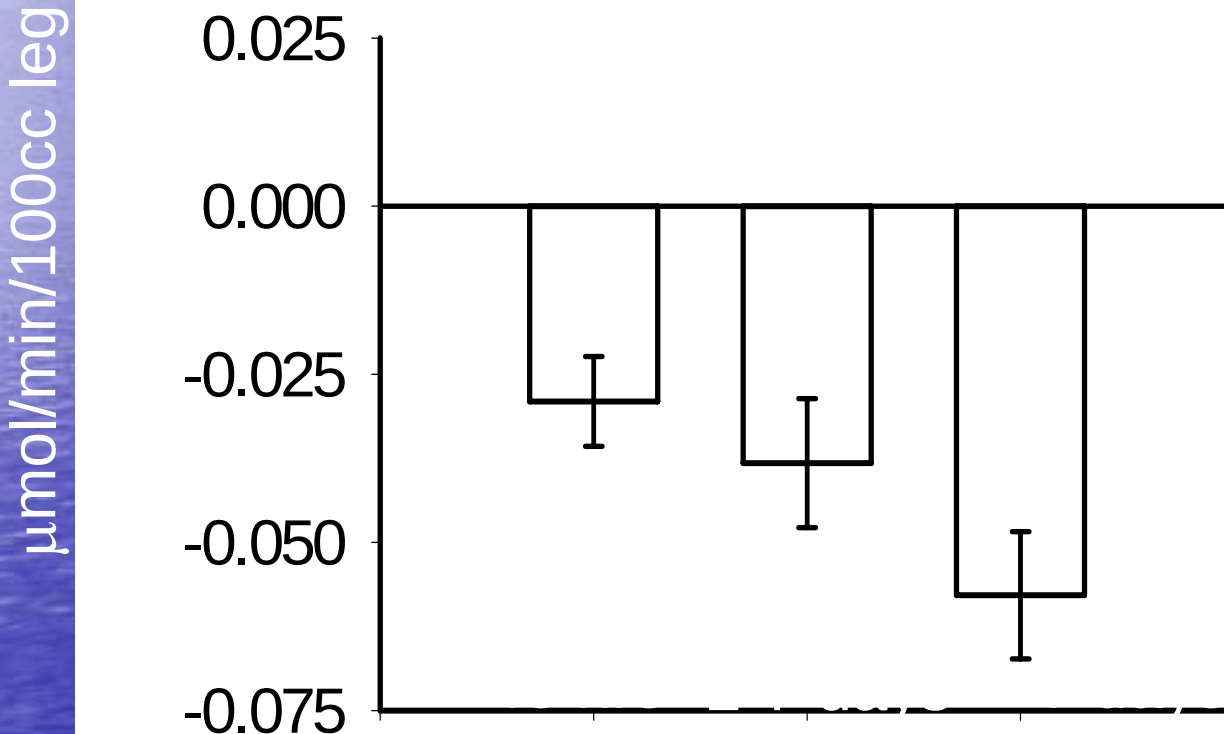
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The Three Last are Related

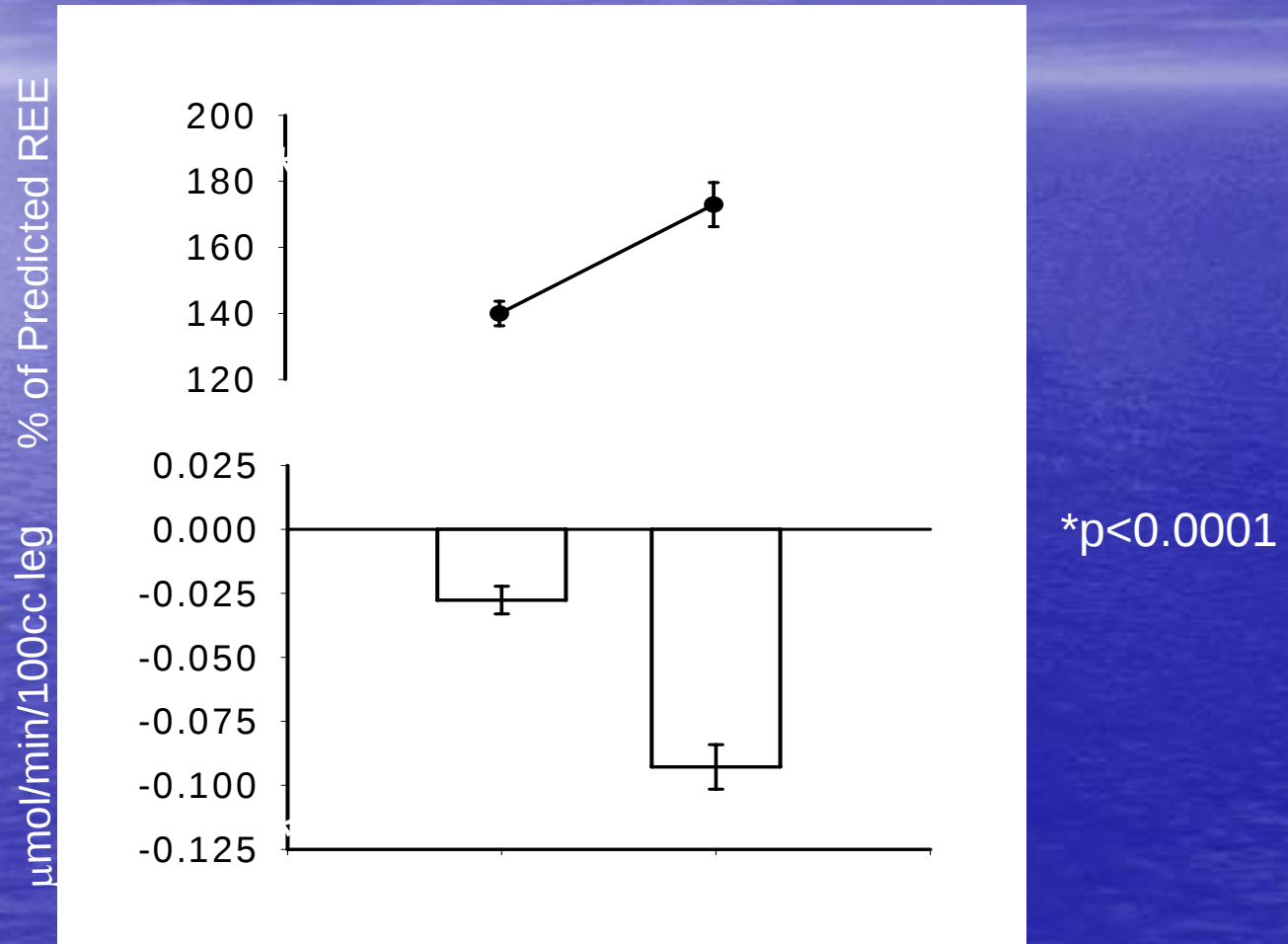
Effect of Delay to Excision and Grafting on Protein Catabolism



Critically ill patients with sepsis showed:

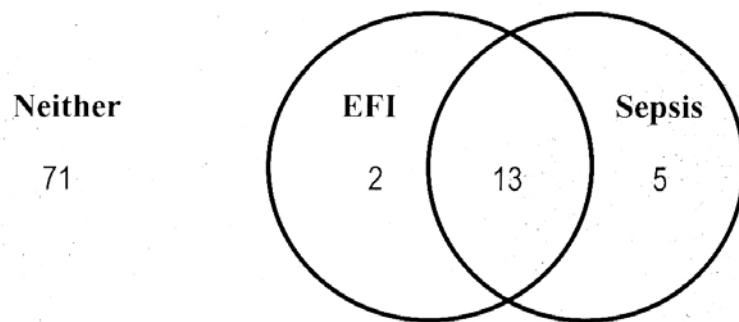
- increases in metabolic rate**
- loss of body protein associated with loss of skeletal hence respiratory muscle**
- impaired immune response**
- poor wound healing**

Effect of Burn Sepsis on Metabolic Rate and Protein Catabolism



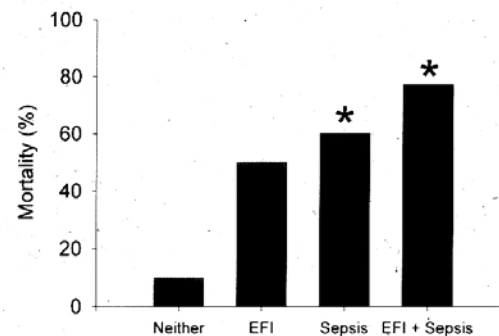
Enteral Feeding Intolerance and Sepsis

Association Between EFI and Sepsis



EFI and sepsis are associated at $p < .0001$

Mortality Rates for Patients with EFI and Sepsis



* denotes significant difference from those with neither EFI or sepsis



**Decreased Mesenteric
Blood Flow**

**Decreased Gut
Immune Function**

**Decreased Gut
Mucosal Integrity**

**Decreased Ability to
Prevent Bacterial
Exodus from Lumen**

**Increase in Mucosal
Permeability**

Bacterial Translocation From The GI Tract

Complications of Catabolism

- Consequences associated with erosion of body mass¹

<u>% Lost</u>	<u>Altered Physiology</u>	<u>% Mortality</u>
– 10 %	Impaired immune function	10 %
– 20 %	Decreased wound healing	30 %
– 30 %	Pneumonia, pressure sores	50 %
– 40 %	Death (pneumonia)	100 %

¹Chang, DeSanti, Demling. *SHOCK*. 1998

Scoring & Definitions should be Specific for Burns

- ABSI correlates better with mortality than APACHE II
- Most nutritional assessment tools are confounded by the inflammatory response in burns Prelack et al. Burns 2007; 33: 13-24.
- The clinical Pulmonary Infection score (CPIS) does not accurately predict the presence of pneumonia in burn patients, due to the systemic inflammation associated with injury Pham et al. J Burn Care Res 2007; 28: 76-9.
- Sepsis definitions should be specific (see next)

Definition of *Sepsis*

• Burn

–At least 3 of the following:

- $T > 38.5$ or $< 36.5^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Progressive tachycardia
- Progressive tachypnea
- $\text{WBC} > 12,000$ or $< 4,000$
- Refractory hypotension
- Thrombocytopenia
- Hyperglycemia
- Enteral Feeding Intolerance

–AND

- Pathologic tissue source identified

• Modified ACCP/SCCM

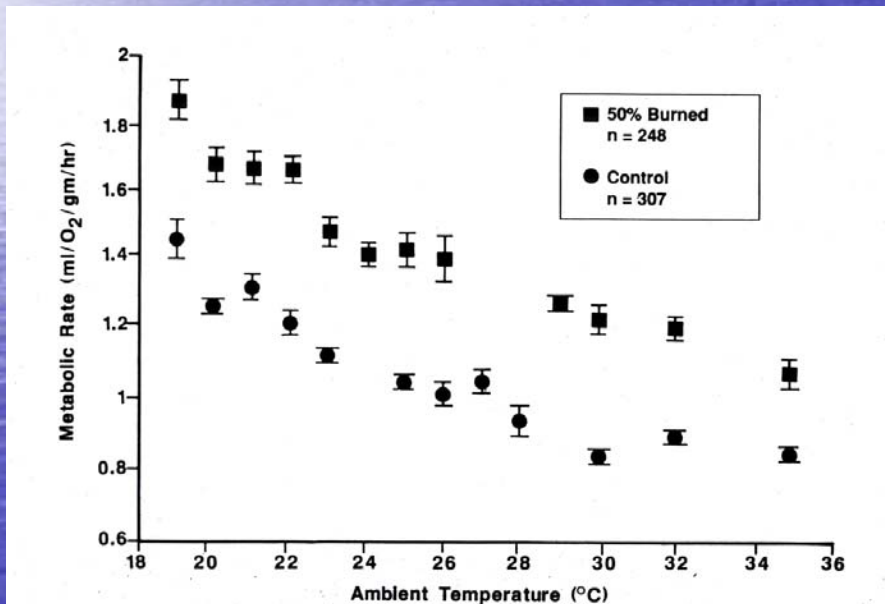
–At least 2 of the following:

- $T > 38.5$ or $< 36.5^{\circ}\text{C}$
- $\text{HR} > 20\%$ above NL for age
- $\text{RR} > 20\%$ above NL for age or $\text{PaCO}_2 < 32$ torr
- $\text{WBC} > 12,000$ or $< 4,000$

–AND

- Bacteremia or fungemia
- Pathologic tissue source identified

Effect of Ambient Temperature on Metabolic Rate



Herndon. Mediators of metabolism. J. Trauma 21:701-705; 1981.

EFFECTS OF BURN INJURY ON IMMUNITY

- Decreased Neutrophils Chemotaxis
- T Cell Numbers Decreased
- Decreased Leukocyte Killing
- B Cell Numbers Normal or Increased
- Immunoglobulin Levels Variable
- Decreased Delayed Hypersensitivity
- Decreased Complement Levels

Burn-Associated Immunosuppression Associated with

Impairments in microbiocidal activities of:

Natural Killer cells

Macrophages

T cells

Neutrophils

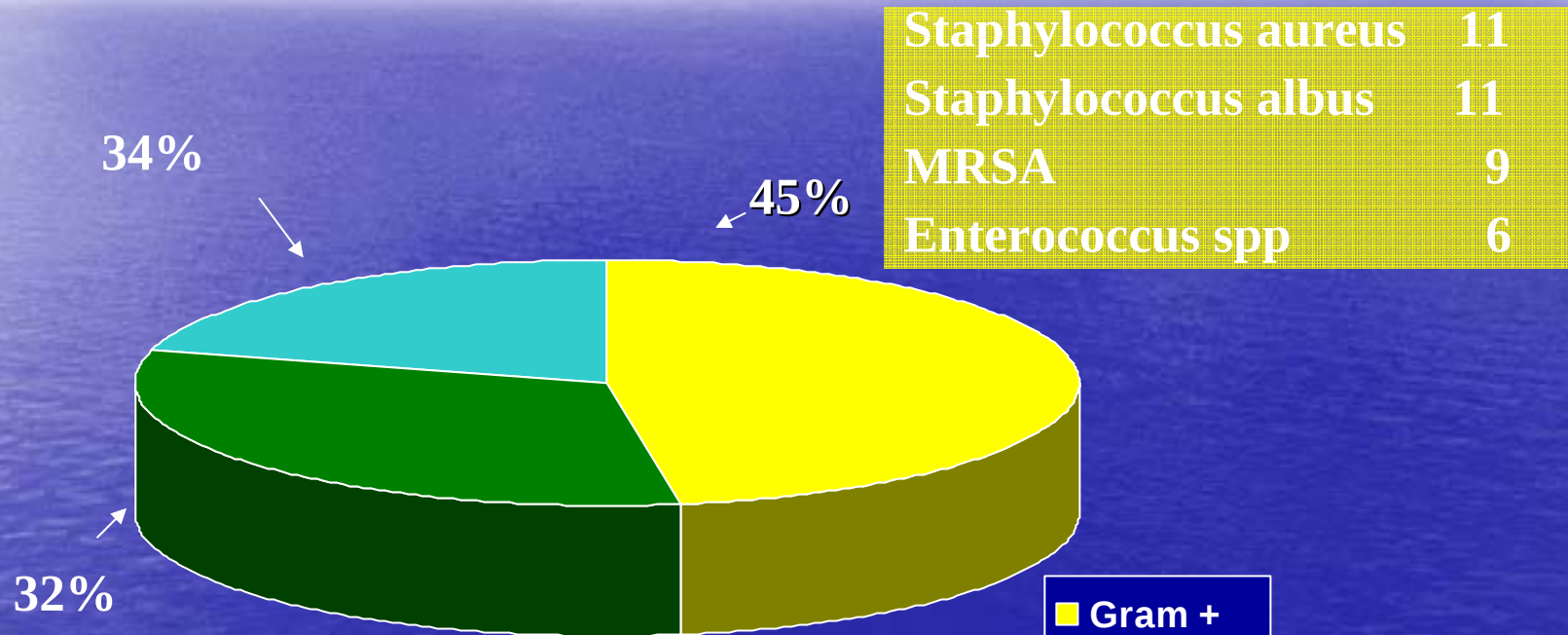
Changes in relative Th1/Th2 cytokine levels

↓ Th1 (IFN- γ , IL-12, IL-15, IL-2)

↑ Th2 (IL-10 and IL-4)



WOUND CULTURES Jan – Mar 01 (N=81)



Pseudomonas Aeruginosa	16
Proteus spp	4
Klebsiella spp	3
E. coli	2
Enterobacter spp	1

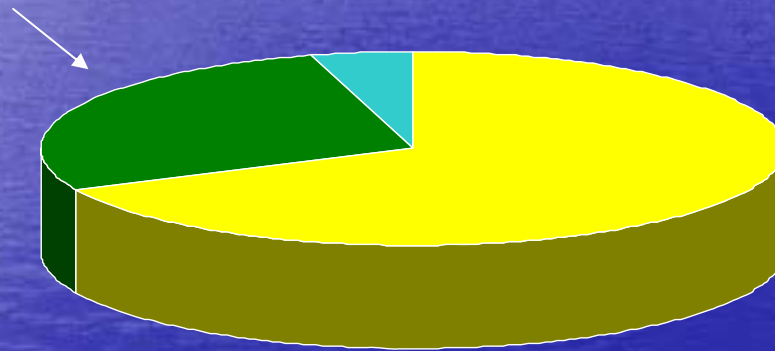
N = 81



CATHETER CULTURES Jan – Mar 01 (N=22)

Pseudomonas aeruginosa	5
Enterobacter spp	1

27%



Staphylococcus albus	9
Staphylococcus aureus	3
MRSA	2
Enterococcus spp	1

68%

N = 22

17 venous

5 arterial



WOUND CULTURES Apr– Jun 01 (N=43)

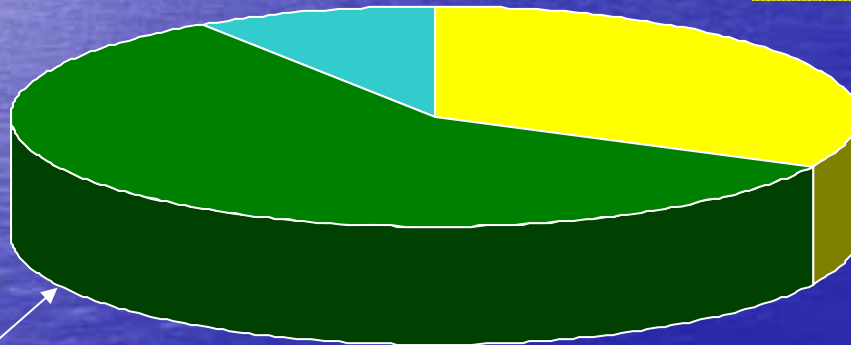
Wound cultures APR- JUN 2001
n = 43

Candida albicans 4

9%

33%

Staphylococcus albus 5
MRSA 2
Enterococcus spp 7



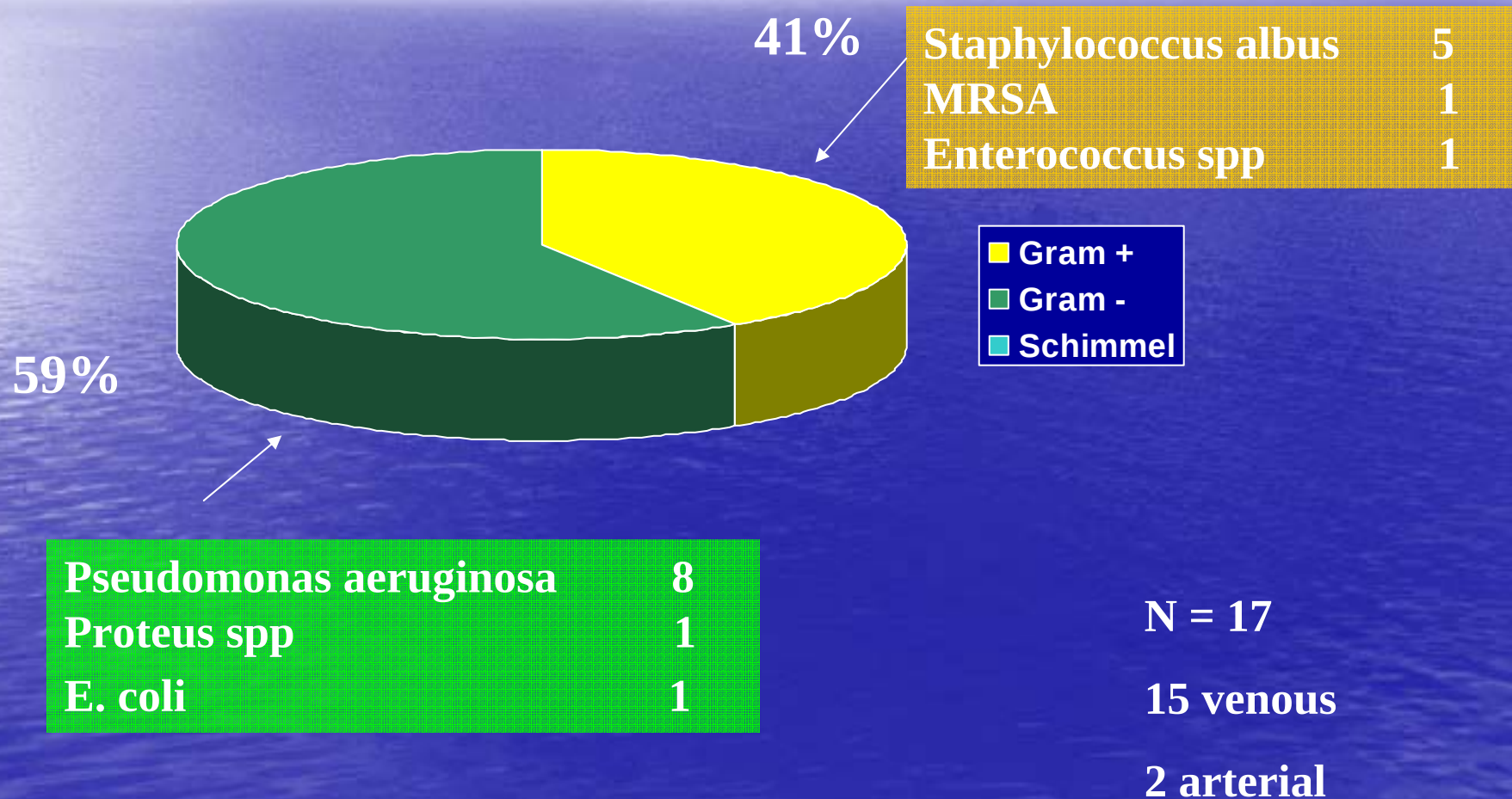
■ Gram +
■ Gram -
■ Schimmel

Pseudomonas aeruginosa 18
Proteus spp 1
Klebsiella spp 2
E. coli 4

N = 43

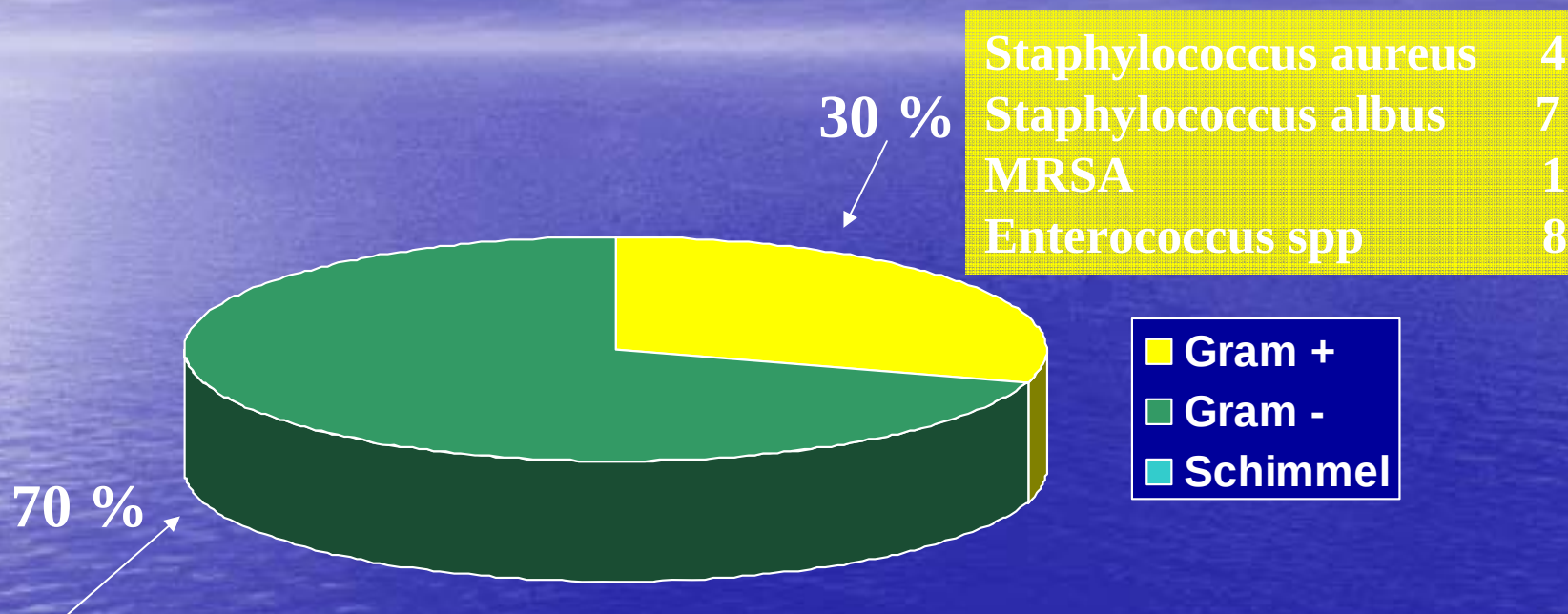


CATHETER CULTURES Apr – Jun 01 (N=17)





WOUND CULTURES Jul - Sep 01 (N=67)



Pseudomonas aeruginosa	20
Proteus spp	8
E. coli	9
Klebsiella spp	5
Enterobacter spp	3
Acinetobacter spp	1

n = 67



CATHETER CULTURES Jul – Sep 01 (N=29)

Candida albicans 1

3 %

Staphylococcus aureus 1
Staphylococcus albus 7
Enterococcus spp 2

34 %

Gram +
Gram -
Schimmel

63 %

Pseudomonas aeruginosa 11
Proteus spp 2
Klebsiella spp 2
E. coli 2
Enterobacter spp 1
Acinetobacter spp 1

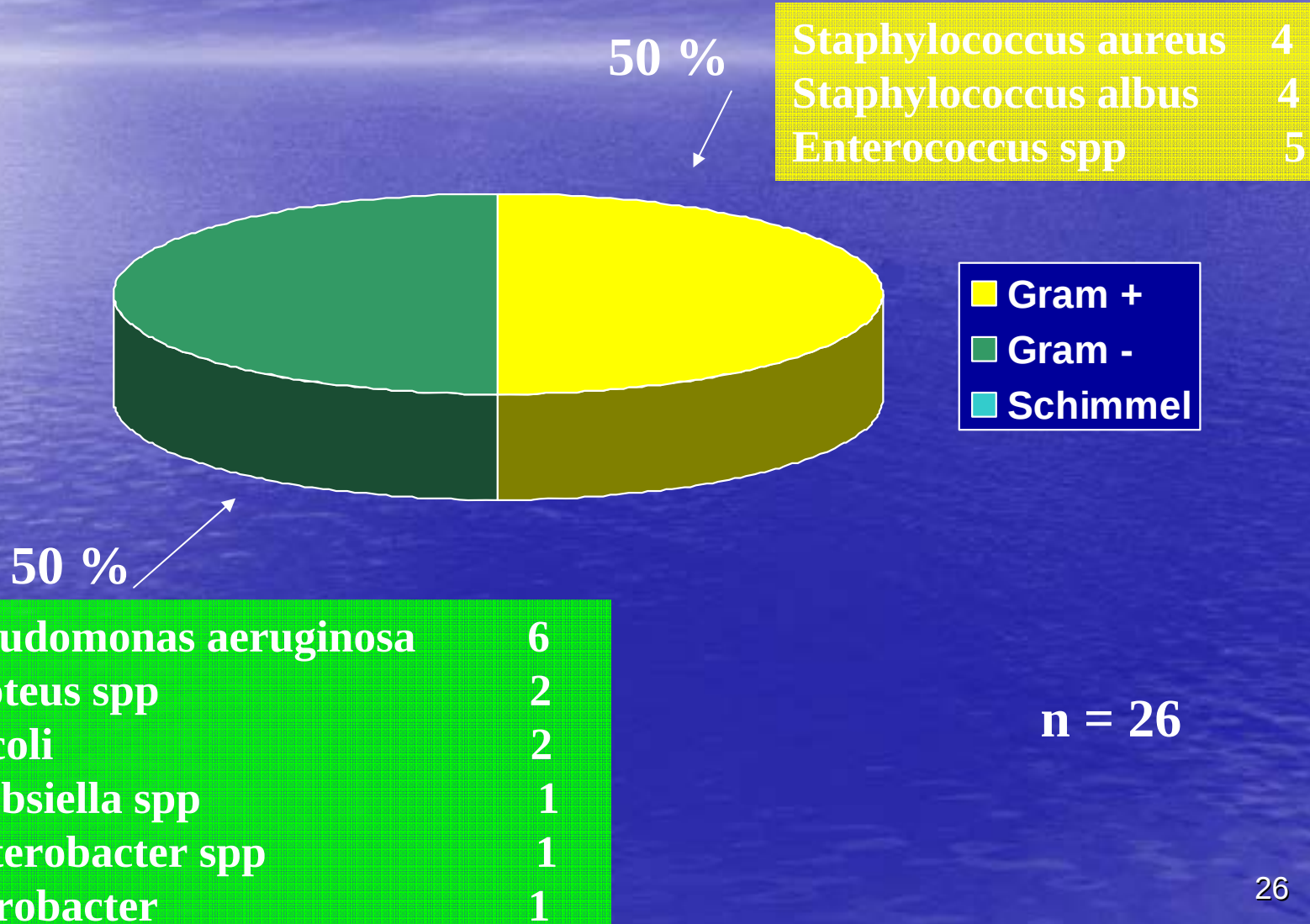
N = 29

24 venous

5 arterial



WOUND CULTURES Oct - Dec 01 (N=26)

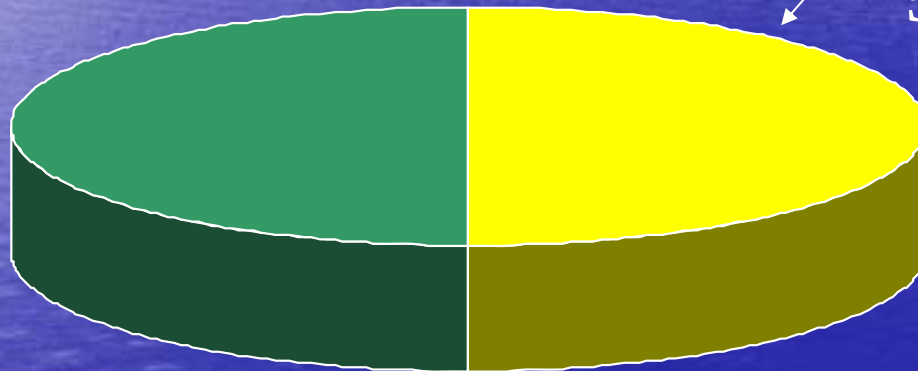




CATHETER CULTURES OCT -DEC 01 (N=12)

Staphylococcus aureus	1
Staphylococcus albus	4
Enterococcus spp	2

58 %



■	Gram +
■	Gram -
■	Schimmel

42 %

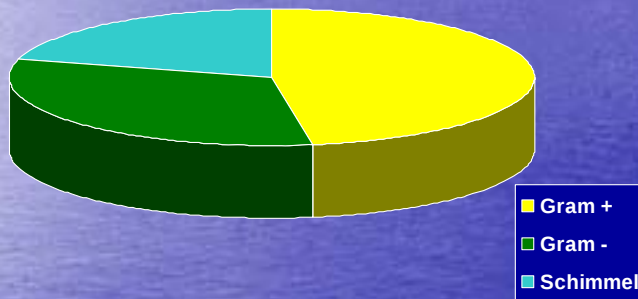
Pseudomonas aeruginosa	4
E. coli	1

N = 12

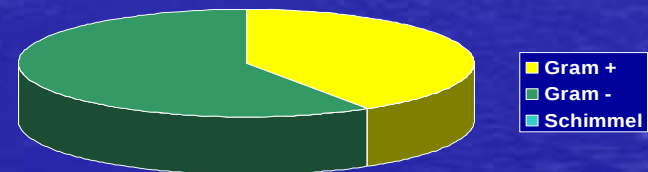
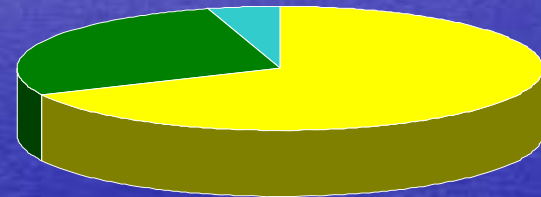
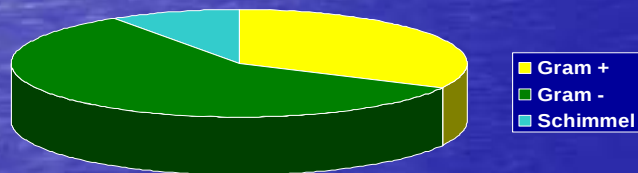
11 venous

1 arterial

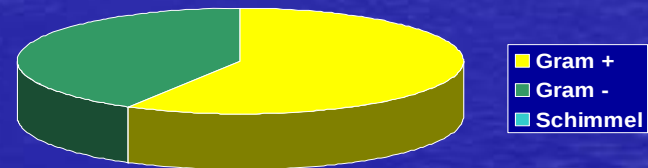
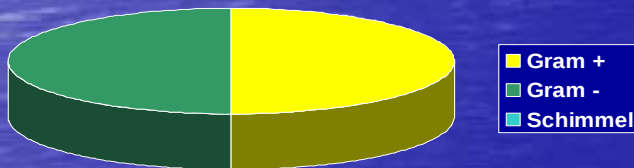
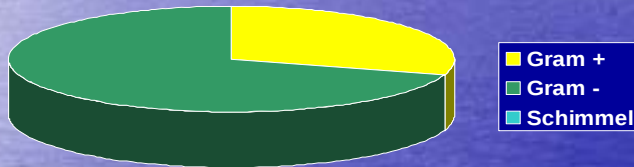
Wound vs Catheter Jan-Jun



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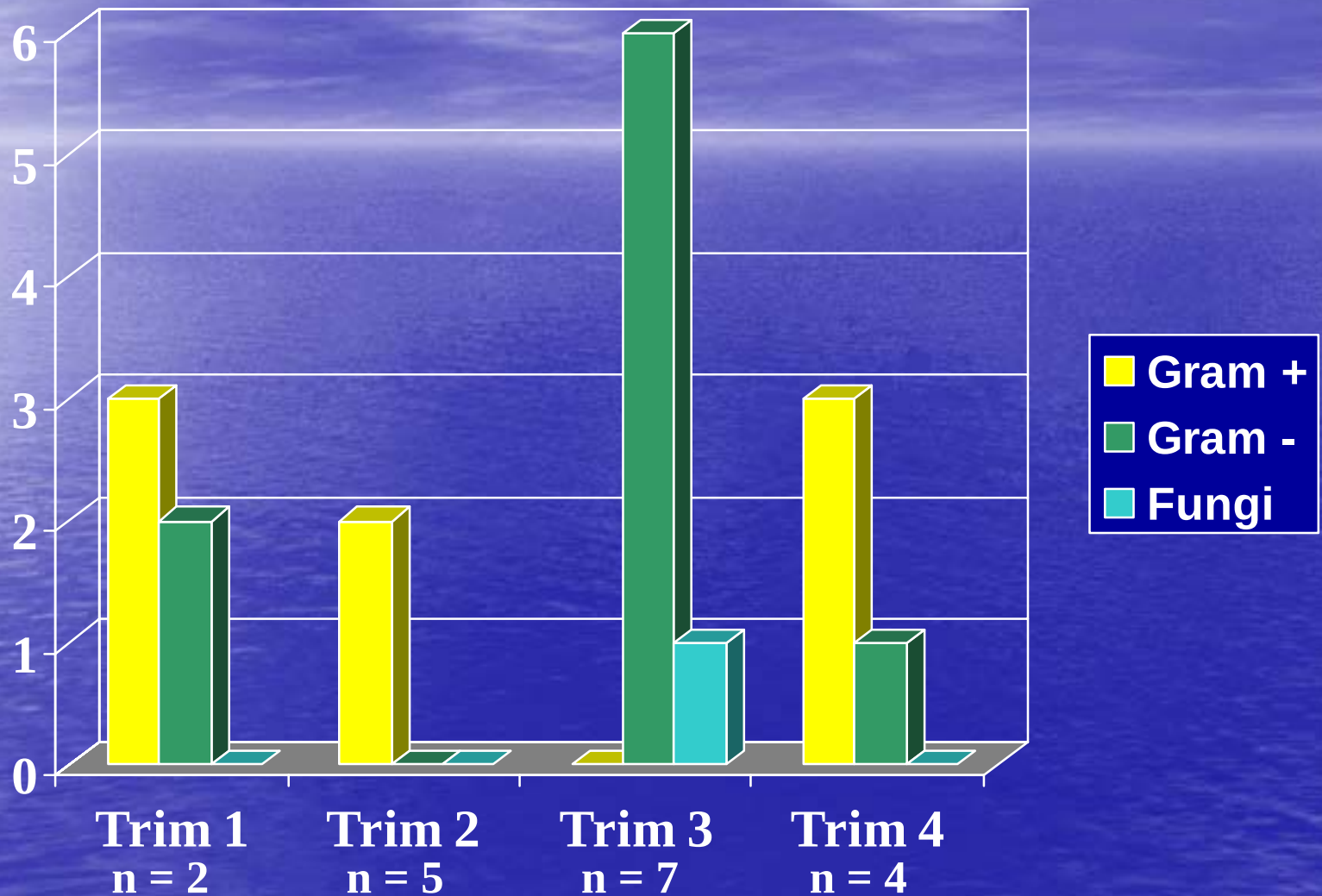


Wound vs Catheter Jul-Dec





HAEMOCULTURES 2001



Conclusions

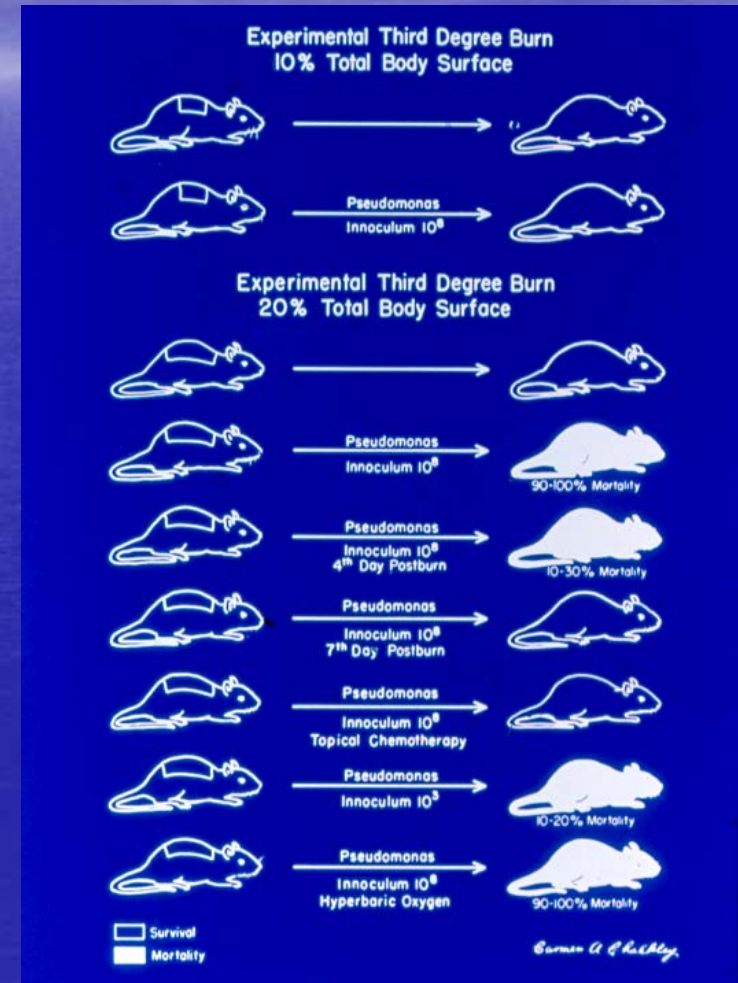
- Skin colonisations correlate with catheters' cultures, both are frequent
- Hemocultures bring few positive results
- There was a shift Gram+/- during the year (was not identical in 2002)
- Conclusions:
 - Aim as 1st priority at reducing the bacterial load on the colonized skin (bath therapy, topical, excision)
 - Treat empirically IV if septic aiming at the germs found in the skin colonization
 - Change catheters if septic and use antimicrobial impregnated catheters

Control of Infection

- Prevention
- Topical Antimicrobials
- Regular cleansing of wounds
- Excision
- Systemic Antimicrobials



Are Topical Antimicrobials Usefull ?



QUANTITATIVE BACTERIOLOGY OF THE BURN WOUND

(AUTOPSY - TOTAL BURN > 50%)

YEAR	NO. CASES	NO. WOUND SAMPLES	BACTERIA PER GRAM TISSUE	
			AVERAGE	RANGE
1963	12	43	6×10^7	$10^5 - 10^9$
(NO SULFAMYLON)				
1964	9	38	8.4×10^4	$10^2 - 10^5$
(SULFAMYLON)				

Invasive Burn Wound Sepsis

<u>Wound Treatment</u>	<u>Incidence as Autopsy Cause of Death</u>
No topical therapy	60%
Topical Therapy	28%
Topical Therapy plus Early Excision	6%



Topical Therapy of the Burn Wound

- Silver Sulfadiazine Cream
- Dressing with Silver Micro-crystals
- Isobetadine (Polyvidon Iod 10%)
- Furacin Solution (Nitrofurazone 0.2%)
- Colistin Milk (Colistin Sulf 0.5%)





Molecular Epidemiology of *Pseudomonas Aeruginosa* Colonization in the Brussels Burn Unit

Pirnay JP, De Vos D, Cochez C et al. J Clin Microbiol 2003; 41: 1192-1202.



Setting

- ICU: 8 single-bed rooms, MCU: 12 double-bed rooms
- Daily hydrotherapy and Daily application of 1% Silver Sulphadiazine (SSD)
- Surgical excision starting within 1st week after admission
- Sampling: twice a week (ICU), weekly (MCU)
- July 1998 – July 1999: 441 patients (ICU + MCU)
- 5 August 1998: outbreak MDR *Ps. Aeruginosa*
- 1999: epidemic strain disappeared (occupancy rate: 10%)



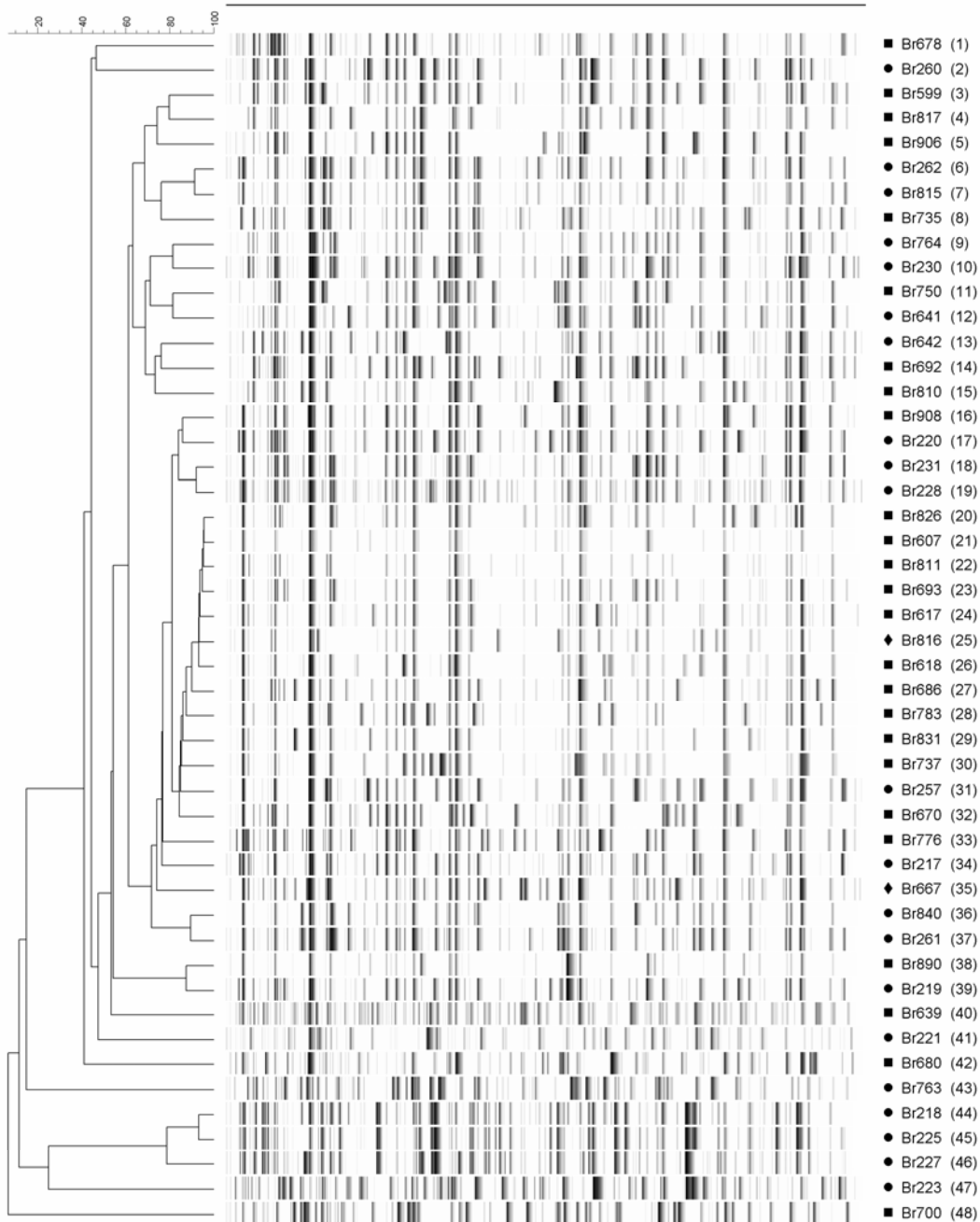
Outbreak Analysis

Exogenous source initially suspected

- Screening of patients
- Environmental survey
- Retrospective analysis frozen stock

- **Methods:**

- Standard microbiology procedures
- Serotyping and drug susceptibility testing
(antibiotics and topical agents)
- Genotyping: RAPD-PCR and AFLP



366 *Ps. Aeruginosa* isolates (incl. 45 environmental): 48 genotypes

48 AFLP patterns and dendrogram of the *Ps. Aeruginosa* genotypes





DNA genotyping: Results (1)

- 48 different AFLP genotypes
 - N patient = 70 (100%)
 - 21 exclusively from environment
 - 15 from only one patient
 - 12 from several patients (N = 57), of which 2 in env.

Conclusion:

- **No ongoing *Ps. Aeruginosa* reservoir in environment**
- **But, 57 events of cross-acquisition**

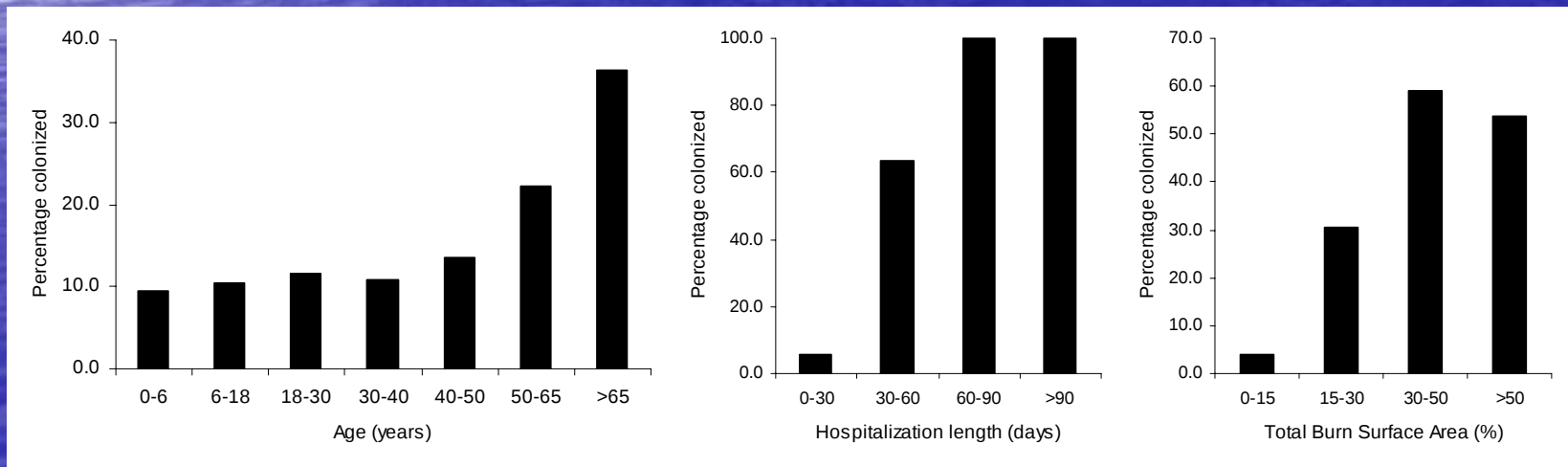
• Concentrating on the genotypes found in n patients

- 27% of the patients colonized by 2 to 4 strains
- **And, 2 genotypes were found in 60 % of the patients**
 - AFLP 35: 131 isolates, 29 patients
 - AFLP 8: 76 isolates, 19 patients



Results (2)

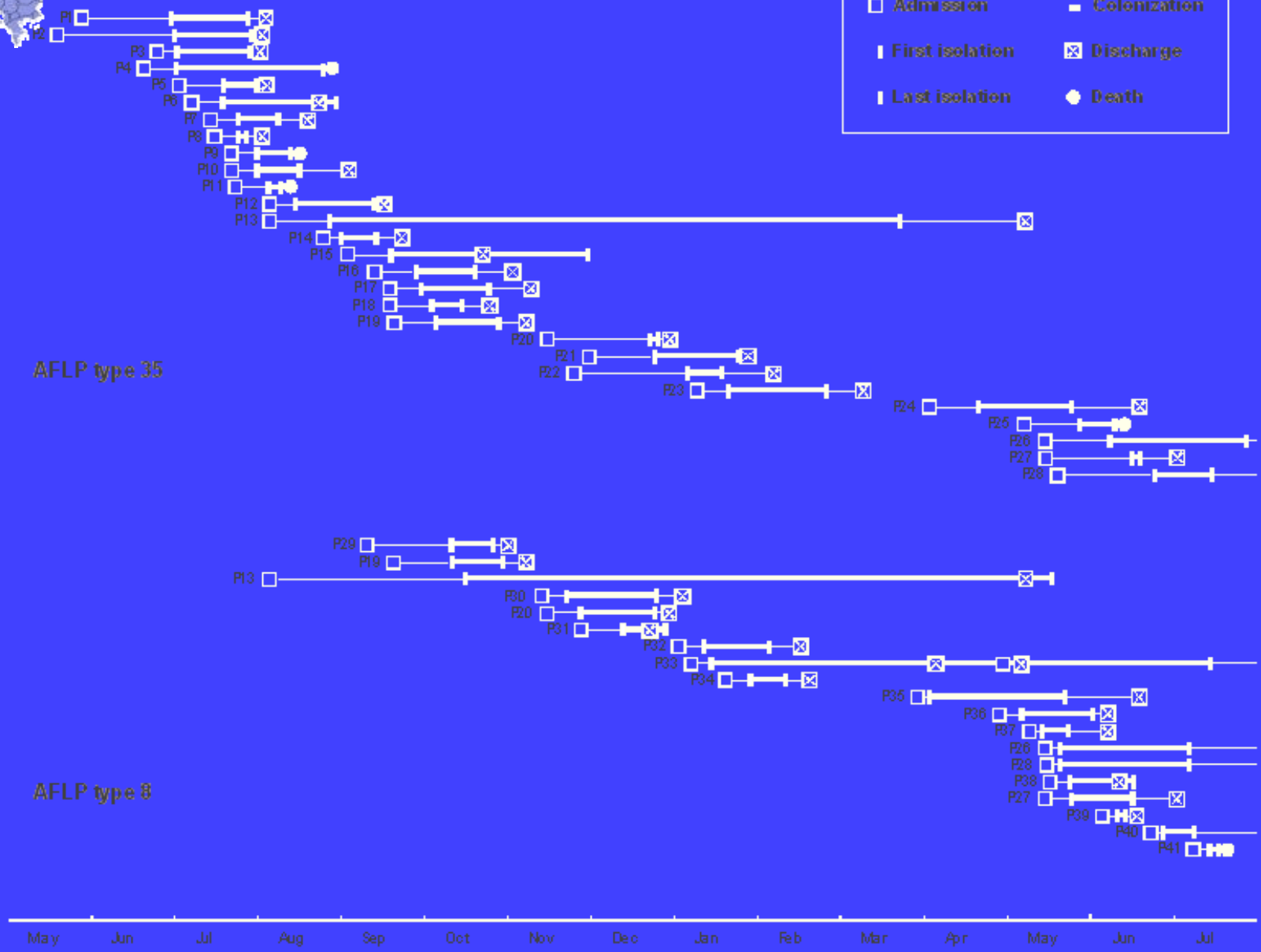
- Characteristics of *P. Aeruginosa* colonized patients
 - **Most of them were colonized in the unit, so the main factor was the length of stay (LOS)**
 - Out of 441 patients, 70 patients (16%) colonized,
 - 12 (17%) at admission, 58 (83%) later (nosocomially)
 - Colonization versus hospitalization length, age and TBSA



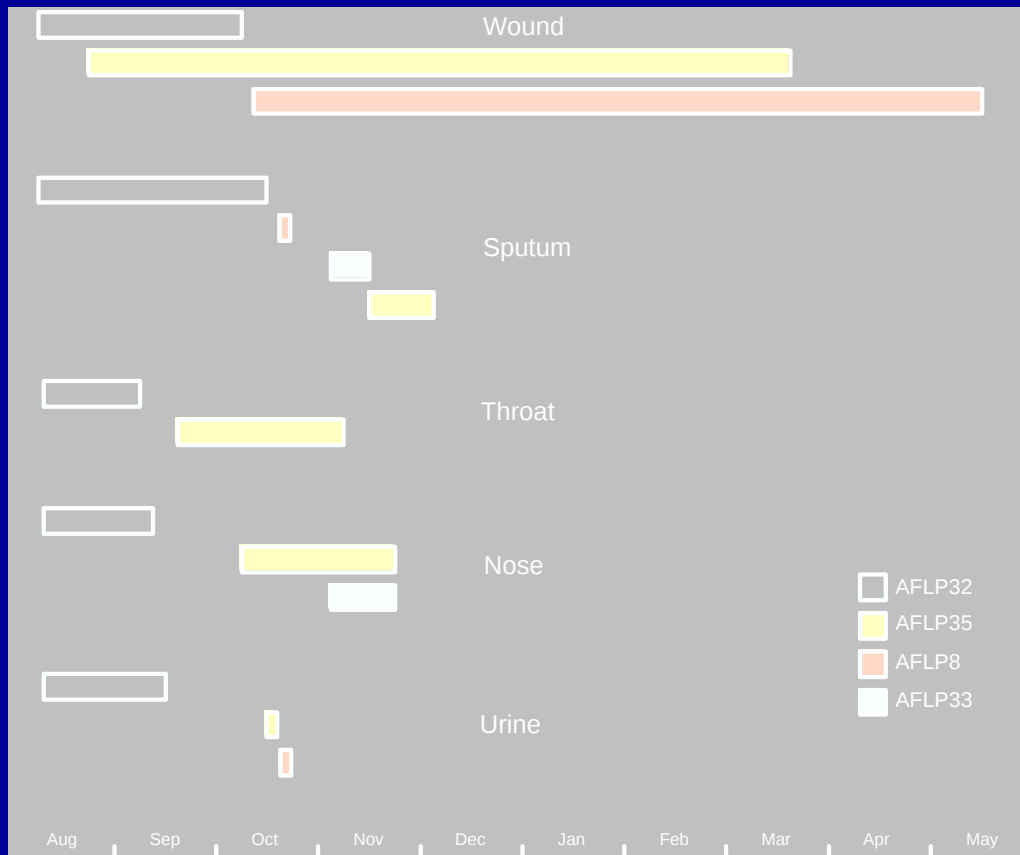


AFLP type 35

AFLP type 8



Patient P13 (age 25, TBSA 75%, 10 month hospitalization)



Simultaneously colonized with 4 genotypes (incl. AFLP 35 and AFLP 8)





Results (3)

- Drug susceptibility testing - AFLP 35 & 8
 - Antibiotics
 - Most strains susceptible to most antibiotics
 - 4 genotypes (incl. **AFLP 35**) were **MDR**
 - Topical agents
 - **AFLP 8**: antibiotic sensitive but **SSD^R**



Analysis of an Outbreak of *Ps. Aeruginosa*, Conclusions:

- Patient P13: continuous reservoir of AFLP 35 and AFLP 8
- AFLP 35 and AFLP 8 were highly successful (60% of the patients with Ps Ae) due to acquired resistance to antibiotics or topical antimicrobial
- No inanimate reservoir and patients colonized via cross-acquisition

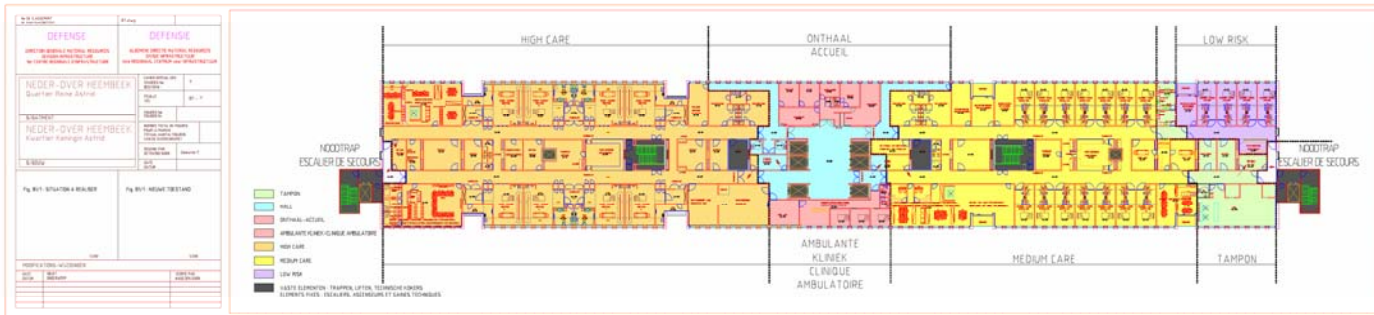


Burn Unit, Brussels

The project for a New Unit:

A burn center must be renovated every 15 years, this means planning and budgeting after ten years...

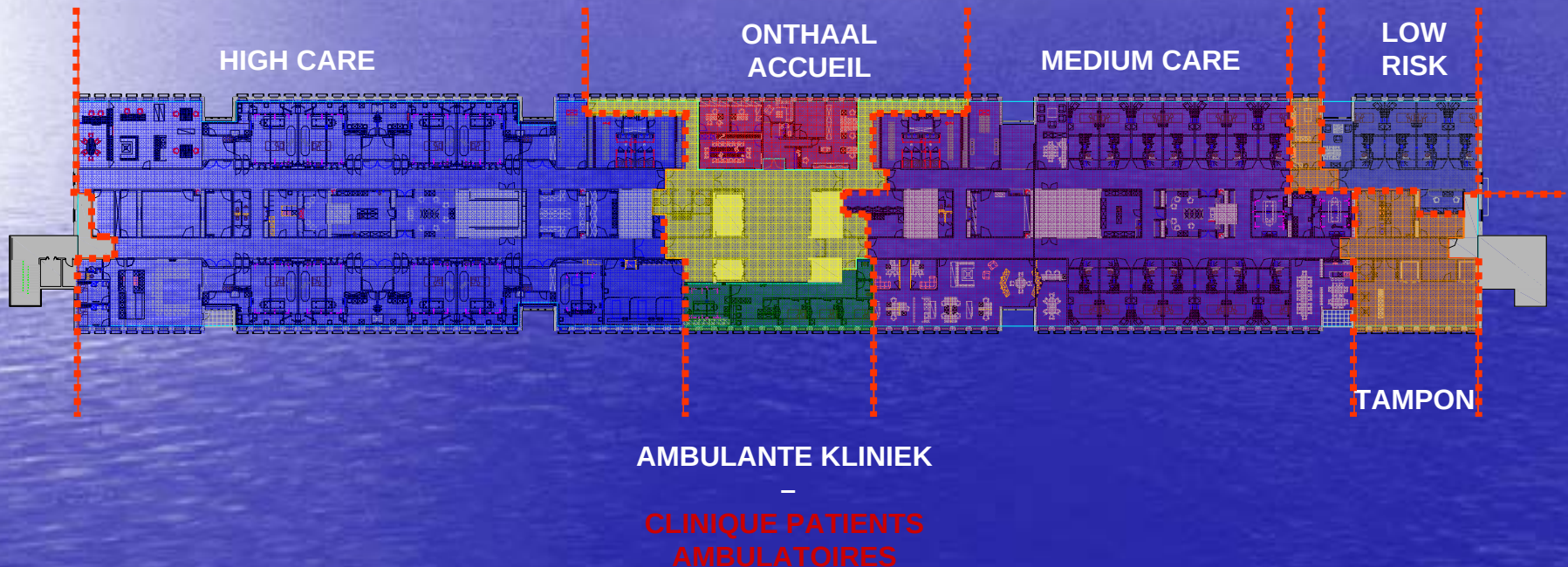
This project was designed to reduce the bacteriological risk.

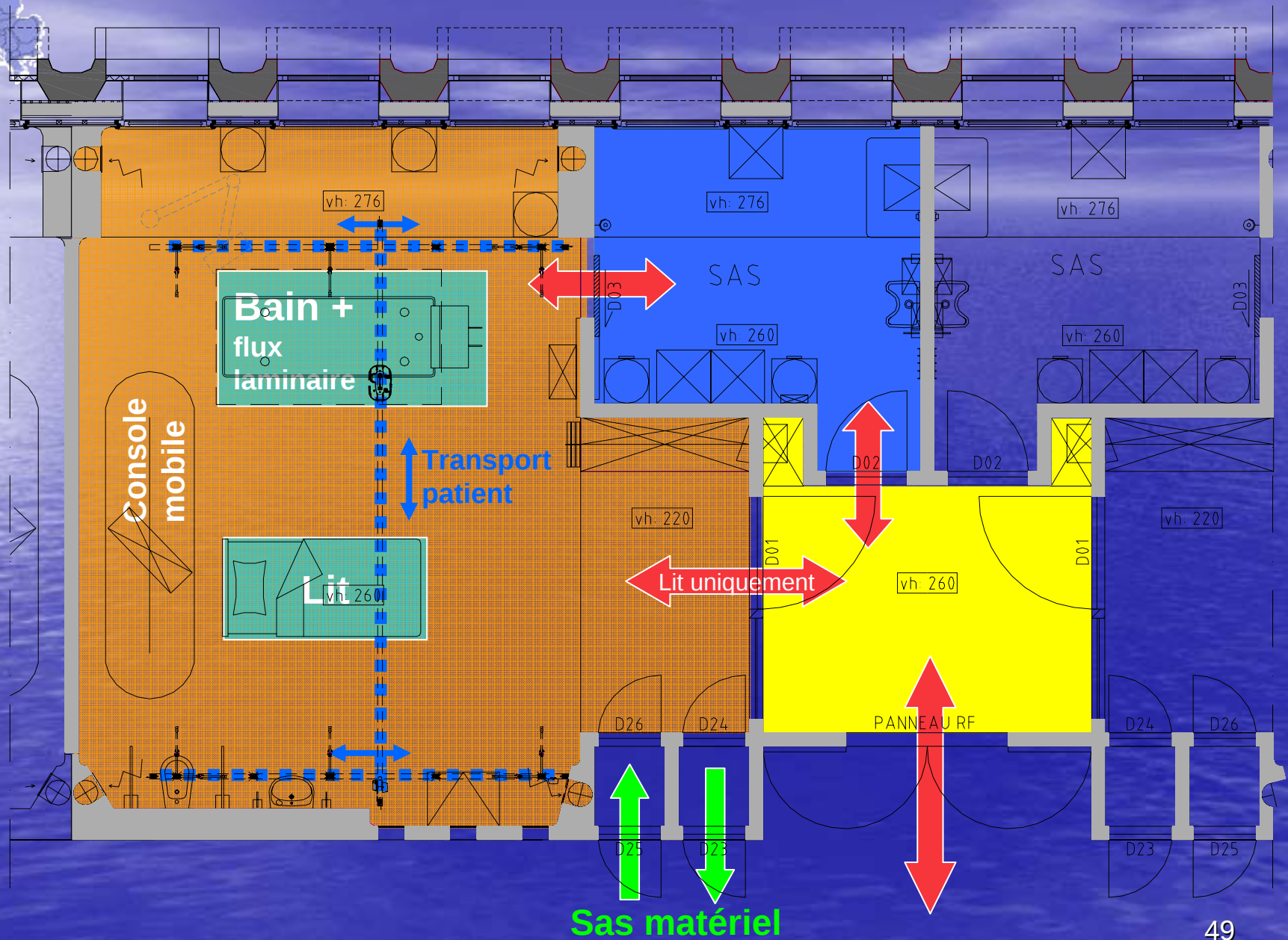




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Sepsis with MR Ps Aeruginosa

- Colistine IV (Colistineb®) is used (again) since 2006
 - 6-8 Mio./24 Hr in three dosis
 - Toxicity:
 - Follow Renal (RF) function and adjust dosis
 - Toxicity increased by concomittent use of an aminoglycoside
 - In 15% has an impact on RF (reversibility)
 - In 4-6% is neurotoxic (reversibility and not dosis related)
 - From in vitro studies: the parenteral form and long dosage intervals may be problematic for treatment of infections by colistin resistant *A. baumannii*

Owen et al. J Antimicrob Chemother. 2007 Feb 8.



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