

# *Staphylococcus aureus* Endocarditis: New Data 2007

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# S. aureus Endocarditis: New Data

- Epidemiology
- Risk factors
- Clinical spectrum
- Pathogenesis
- Therapy
- Outcome

# Infective Endocarditis: Microbiology (1970-2000)

- Causative microorganisms
  - Streptococci 54 %
    - Viridans 44 %
    - Other 10 %
  - Staphylococci 33 %
    - S. aureus 26 %
    - CoNS 7 %
  - Enterococci 6 %
  - Other 8 %
  - Culture-negative 1 %
- No temporal trend for either pathogen group

# Infective Endocarditis: Microbiology

Pathogen	Native-valve IE (n=280)	IE in intravenous drug users (n=87)	Prosthetic-valve IE	
			Early (n=15)	Late (n=72)
Staphylococci	124 (44%)	60 (69%)	10 (67%)	33 (46%)
<i>Staph aureus</i>	106 (38%)	60 (69%)	3 (20%)	15 (21%)
Coagulase negative	18 (6%)	0	7 (47%)	18 (25%)
Streptococci	86 (31%)	7 (8%)	0 (0%)	25 (35%)
Oral streptococci	59 (21%)	3 (3%)	0	19 (26%)
Others (non-enterococcal)	27 (10%)*	4 (5%)	0	6 (8%)
<i>Enterococcus</i> spp†	21 (8%)	2 (2%)	1 (7%)	5 (7%)
HACEK group	12 (4%)‡	0	0	1 (1%)
Polymicrobial	6 (2%)	8 (9%)	0	1 (1%)
Other bacteria	12 (4%)§	4 (5%)	0	2 (3%)
Fungi	3 (1%)	2 (2%)	0	0
Negative blood culture	16 (6%)	4 (5%)	4 (27%)	5 (7%)

\*Including nine *Streptococcus agalactiae*, six *Strep bovis*, three *Streptococcus pneumoniae*, two *Streptococcus pyogenes*, one group G streptococcus, and one *Abiotrophia* spp. †>80% *Enterococcus faecalis*. ‡ Includes *Haemophilus* spp, *Actinobacillus actinomycetemcomitans*, *Cardiobacterium hominis*, *E corrodens*, and *K kingae*. §Includes four *Escherichia coli*, two *Corynebacterium* spp, two *Proteus mirabilis*, one *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*, and one *Bacteroides fragilis*. Data from studies providing comparable microbiological details<sup>4,5,10</sup>

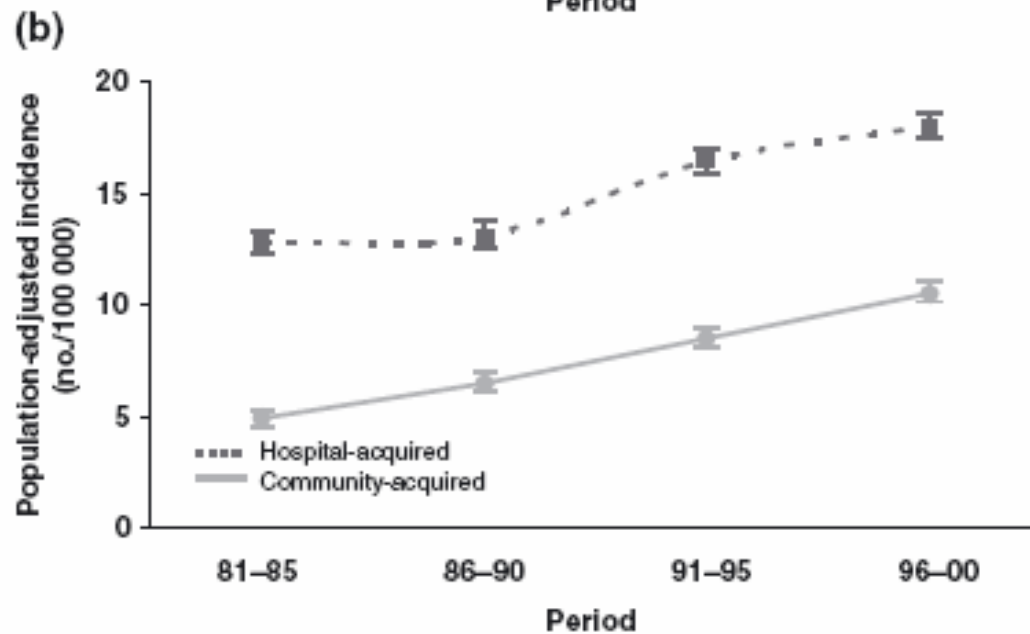
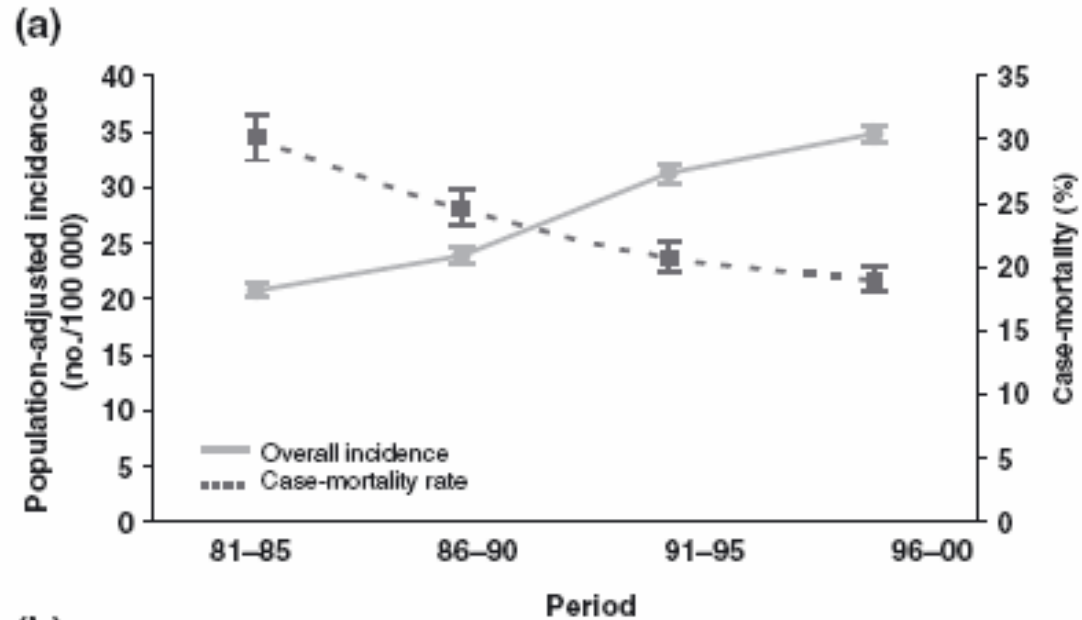
# Infective Endocarditis: Microbiology

	Community- acquired (n=136)	Hospital- acquired (n=67)	Native valve (n=124)	Prosthetic valve (n=70)
<i>S. aureus</i>	27 %	37 %	30 %	29 %
CoNS	12 %	15 %	8 %	21 %
Streptococci	31 %	15 %	33 %	16 %
Enterococci	18 %	15 %	15 %	20 %
Other	4 %	3 %	2 %	4 %
Culture-neg	10 %	15 %	12 %	10 %

# *S. aureus* bacteremia

- 18702 adult cases between 1981 and 2000 in Denmark
- 57% hospital-acquired and 28% community-acquired
- Incidence increased from 18.2 to 30.5 cases per 100.000 population
- Annual increase: - by 6.4% for C.A. cases  
- by 2.2% for H.A. cases
- Case mortality decreased: - C.A: from 34.5% to 26.5%  
- H.A. from 36.2% to 20.7%

# S. aureus bacteremia



# S. aureus endocarditis following S. aureus bacteremia

	SAIE (n=64)	SAB (n=441)	p value
Heart disease			
Native valve	36 %	8 %	0.002
Prosthetic valve	12 %	1 %	0.001
Prior IE	13 %	1 %	0.005
IV drug use	27 %	7 %	0.02
Unknown portal	50 %	27 %	0.008
Community-acquired	67 %	37 %	0.004
Persistent bacteremia (3 days)	27 %	9 %	0.001
Mortality (30 days)	31 %	21 %	NS



# S. aureus endocarditis following S. aureus bacteremia

- Persistent bacteremia was independent risk factor for both endocarditis and mortality
- Blood cultures must be repeated 3 days following initiation of antistaphylococcal antibiotics in all patients with SAB
- Echocardiography to screen for IE if SAB with community origin, underlying valvular heart disease, IV DU, unknown portal of entry and history of prior IE

# Risk factors for SAE in patients with SAB

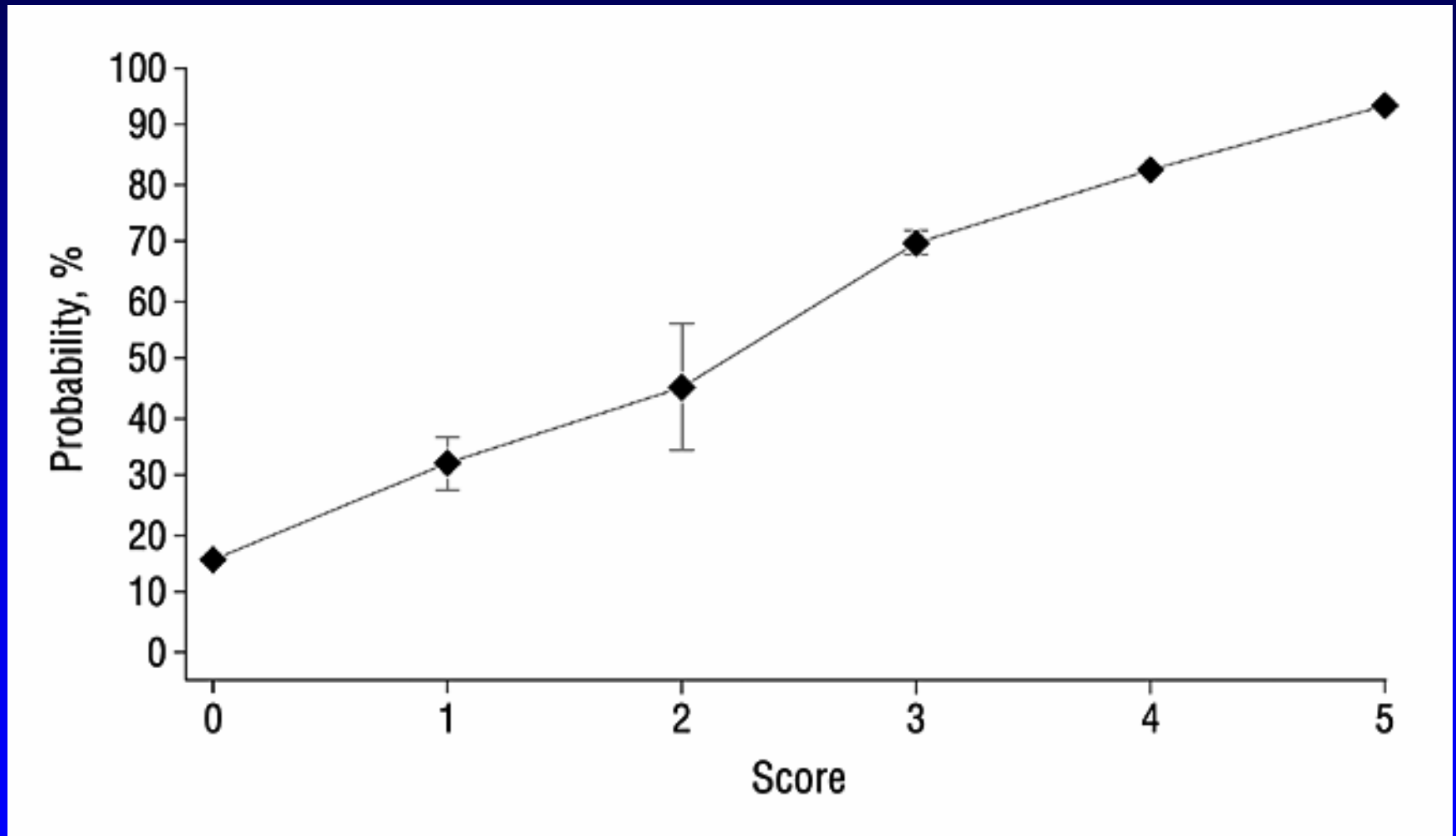
- Nested case-control study (June 2000-Dec 2005)
  - 39 CA-SAE versus 78 CA-SAB
  - 27 nosocomial SAE versus 54 nosocomial SAB
- Independent predictors of SAE (multivariate analysis)
  - unknown origin of SAB: OR 4.2
  - valvular prosthesis: OR 9.2
  - persistent fever (> 48 hours): OR 3.1
  - persistent bacteremia (> 48 hours): OR 6.8
- 6-month mortality 35% for SAE versus 8% for SAB (p< 0.001)

# Clinical identifiers of complicated SAB

- Complicated SAB due to attributable mortality, complicated infection (IE, arthritis, abscess, osteomyelitis), embolic stroke or recurrence during 12 weeks.

Risk factors	OR	Risk points
Community-acquired	3.10	1
Skin examination findings for systemic infection	2.04	1
Positive follow-up blood culture at 48 – 96 hrs	5.58	2
Persistent fever at 72 hrs	2.23	1

# Clinical identifiers of complicated SAB



# Risk factors for hematogenous complications of IV catheter-associated SAB

- Hematogenous complications in 13% of 324 patients
- Patient characteristics at diagnosis (R.R.)
  - Community onset: 2.25
  - Increased symptom duration: 1.14 / day
  - Long term catheter or IV device: 4.02
  - Hemodialysis: 3.84
- Subsequent failure to remove the catheter: RR 2.28
- Methicillin resistance : RR 2.09

# SAIE among patients with SAB and prosthetic valves

- Rate of definite PVE: 51 %
- Risk similar in patients with late ( $\geq 12$  months) and early SAB
- Risk similar in patients with mitral versus aortic prostheses and mechanical versus bioprosthetic valves

# Time to positivity in SAB

- Metastatic infection 8% and mortality rate 25.6%
- Median duration of SAB 1 day (70<sup>th</sup> percentile: 3 days)
- Median TTP 15.5 hrs (4.2 – 98.2 hrs)
- TTP shorter if
  - endovascular source                      14.9    vs        19.5
  - duration of SAB  $\geq$  3 days            14.1    vs        18.6
  - metastatic infection                      12.9    vs        18.0

# Time to positivity in SAB

- TTP  $\leq$  14 hrs was independent predictor in multivariate analysis of
  - endovascular source (sens 67.2%)
  - extended bacteremia (sens 67.3%)
  - metastatic infection (sens 92.0%)
  - attributable mortality (sens 89.1%)



# Time to positivity in SAB

- In hospital mortality was independently associated with
  - Charlson score  $\geq 3$  (OR 14.4)
  - MRSA (OR 9.3)
  - TTP  $\leq 12$  hrs (OR 6.9)

# S. aureus Endocarditis (ICE – data)

- S. aureus most common pathogen (31.4 %)
- Healthcare-associated infection most common form of SAIE (39.1 %), mostly acquired outside the hospital (60.1 %)

*Fowler VG, et al. JAMA 2005; 293: 3012-3021.*

# S. aureus Endocarditis (ICE – data)

	non S. aureus ( n=1221)	S. aureus (n=558)	p value	O.R.
Male sex	71.1 %	61.1 %	0.001	-
Age (median)	59.3	56.6	0.007	-
PVE	22.6 %	15.4 %	0.001	-
First symptoms <1 month	67.8 %	92.7 %	0.001	5.1
Hemodialysis	6.0 %	14.2 %	0.001	-
Diabetes mellitus	14.8 %	19.7 %	0.009	1.3
Other chronic illness	44.6 %	57.2 %	0.001	-

# S. aureus Endocarditis (ICE – data)

	non S. aureus (n=1221)	S. aureus (n=558)	p value	O.R.
Dental procedure	10.4 %	3.2 %	0.001	-
Other invasive procedure	16.4 %	23.8 %	0.001	-
IV device source	9.1 %	28.4 %	0.001	1.7
Healthcare-associated	17.3%	39.1 %	0.001	2.9
Community-acquired				
IVDU-associated	4.1 %	21.0 %	0.001	9.3
non IVDU	72.7 %	37.5 %	0.001	-

# S. aureus Endocarditis (ICE – data)

Complications	non S. aureus (n = 1221)	S. aureus (n = 558)	p value	O.R.
Stroke	14.3 %	21.3 %	0.001	1.6
Other embolization	18.7 %	27.1 %	0.001	-
Congestive heart failure	31.9 %	28.9 %	NS	-
Intracardiac abscess	16.0 %	12.7 %	NS	-
Persistent bacteremia	5.2 %	17.0 %	0.001	2.3
In-hospital death	14.6 %	22.4 %	0.001	-

## S. aureus endocarditis (ICE – data)

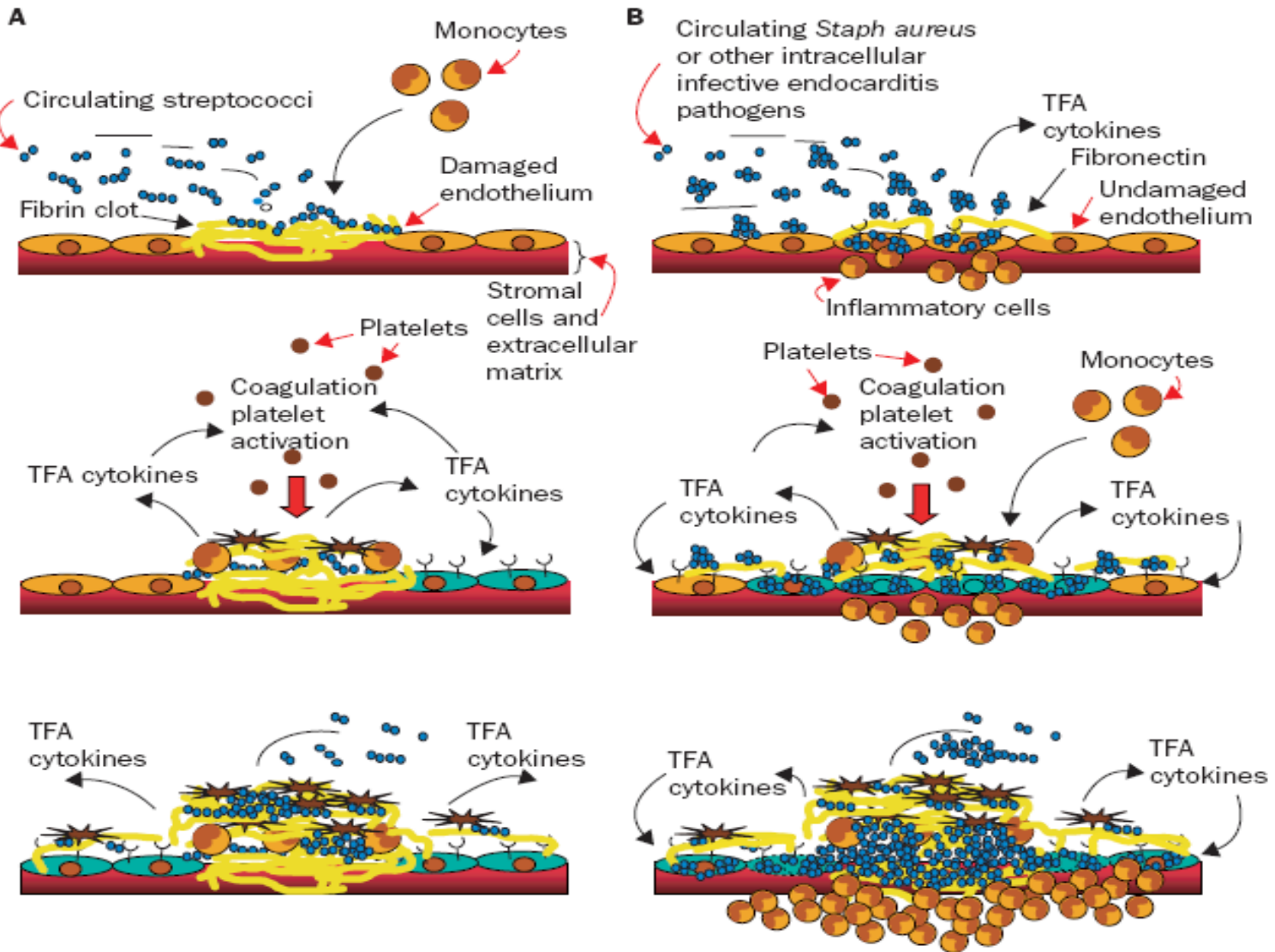
	MSSA (n = 283)	MRSA (n = 141)	p value	O.R.
Hemodialysis	13.8 %	22.7 %	0.02	-
Diabetes mellitus	18.0 %	34.0 %	0.001	2.0
Immunosuppression	3.5 %	17.7 %	0.001	4.1
Cancer	8.5 %	14.9 %	0.04	-
Recent invasive procedure	24.4 %	37.6 %	0.002	-
IV device source	30.7 %	60.3 %	0.001	2.1
Community-acquired	60.8 %	19.9 %	0.001	-
Healthcare-associated	37.1 %	75.9 %	0.001	3.4
nosocomial	21.9 %	46.1 %	0.001	-
non-nosocomial	15.2 %	29.8 %	0.001	-
In-hospital death	23.3 %	29.8 %	NS	-

# MRSA versus MSSA Infective Endocarditis

- Prospective observational cohort study (n=68; June 2000-June 2006)
- Predictors of MRSA:
  - Surgery in previous 6 months
  - Surgical site infection
  - Nosocomial origin
  - Presence of a catheter
- Mortality was 57% in MRSA vs 30% in MSSA (p 0.055)

*Hill EE, et al. Submitted.*

# S. aureus endocarditis: pathogenesis





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## Adherence

- $\beta_1$  integrins on endothelial cells bind fibronectin to the endothelial surface. S. aureus strains carry fibronectin-binding proteins on their surface.
- MSCRAMMs (microbial surface component reacting with adhesive matrix molecules) are surface adhesins that mediate attachment to the vegetation. For S. aureus fibrinogen-binding proteins (called clumping factor) and fibronectin-binding proteins are involved in valve infection

# S. aureus endocarditis: pathogenesis

## Internalisation by host cells

S. aureus can trigger active internalisation by host cells

*Lancet 2004; 363: 139-149.*

# S. aureus endocarditis: pathogenesis

## Persistence and maturation of the vegetation

- Staphylococci trigger tissue-factor production from local monocytes and induce platelet aggregation
- Microorganisms recovered from IE are consistently resistant to platelet-microbicidal proteins

## Invasion and dissemination

- Wealth of exoenzymes of S. aureus convert local host tissues into nutrients for bacterial growth and exotoxins are detrimental to host

# S. aureus endocarditis: pathogenesis

- Vaccines or artificial peptides directed against bacterial adhesins could interfere with valve colonization.
- Interaction with global regulators of S. aureus internalisation, invasion and dissemination could interfere with tissue inflammation and destruction

# S. aureus endocarditis: antibiotic treatment

- Guidelines of European Society of Cardiology and American Heart Association: **NVE**

oxacillin            8-12 g/d IV for 4-6 weeks  
w/wo

gentamicin        3 mg/kg/d IV for the first 3-5 days

if allergy: vancomycin 30 mg/kg/d or cefazolin 6 g IV/d

if MRSA: vancomycin

*Eur Heart J* 2004; 25: 267-276.

*Circulation* 2005; 111: 3167-3184.

# S. aureus endocarditis: antibiotic treatment

- Guidelines of European Society of Cardiology and American Heart Association: **PVE**

oxacillin (6 weeks) + gentamicin (2 weeks)  
+ rifampin 900 mg/d for at least 6 weeks

or

vancomycin (6 weeks) + gentamicin (2 weeks)  
+ rifampin 900 mg/d for at least 6 weeks

*Eur Heart J* 2004; 25: 267-276.

*Circulation* 2005; 111: 3167-3184.

# Role of aminoglycosides in combination with beta-lactams for staphylococcal IE

- Meta-analysis of 4 studies
- No difference versus monotherapy in terms of
  - mortality
  - treatment success
  - relapse
- Nephrotoxicity more common in combination therapy

# Impact of antibiotic treatment on relapse of SAB

- Prospective observational study (n=505) with 6 month follow-up (SAB) and 3 year follow-up (SAIE)
- Nafcillin superior to vancomycin in preventing bacteriologic failure (persistent bacteremia > 7 days or relapse) for MSSA
- Relapse independently associated with endocarditis (OR 7.6) and vancomycin treatment (OR 6.5)



# Comparative activity of cloxacillin and vancomycin against methicillin-susceptible SAIE

- after 24 hours:
  - both equally effective in preventing mortality
  - cloxacillin greater decrease in number of staphylococci: 3.5 log<sub>10</sub> CFU/g vegetation versus 6.25 log<sub>10</sub> CFU/g vegetation (p<0.05)
  - cloxacillin 41% of rabbits with sterile vegetations versus none for vancomycin
- after 48 and 72 hours: equivalent activity

# S. aureus endocarditis: Linezolid

- Successes and failures reported (publication bias !)  
for MRSA / GISA / CoNS / VRE  
for NVE and PVE

but

- Better bactericidal activity in experimental (MRSA) IE in combination with gentamicin
- No synergy or antagonism in combination with rifampin
- Vancomycin more effective in experimental (MRSA) IE

*Hill EE, et al. Eur J Clin Microbiol Infect Dis 2006; 25: 202-204.*

*Falagas ME, et al. J Antimicrob Chemother 2006; 58: 273-280.*

# S. aureus endocarditis: Daptomycin

- Non-inferiority of daptomycin versus standard therapy for SAB, including SAIE
- Similar success rates in patients with complicated bacteremia, MRSA and right-sided IE

but

- Higher rate of microbiological failure with daptomycin due to emerging resistance
- Only 19 patients with right sided IE treated with daptomycin: 8 successes (42%)
- Only 9 patients with left sided IE treated with daptomycin: 1 success (11%)

# S. aureus endocarditis: new agents

- Quinupristin-dalfopristin:
  - effective in animal model of MRSA-IE when combined with vanco or oxa
  - 11 patients with MRSA-IE: 6 success
- Tigecycline:
  - effective in animal model
  - no data in humans

# S. aureus endocarditis: new agents

- Fluoroquinolones:
  - levofloxacin and moxifloxacin effective in animal model
  - clinafloxacin 94% success rate in MSSA-NVE (n=33) and 100% in MRSA-NVE (n=5)
- Dalbavancin, telavancin, oritavancin:
  - telavancin and oritavancin effective in animal model of MRSA-IE
- Ceftobiprole:
  - effective in animal model of MRSA-IE and VISA-IE

# S. aureus endocarditis: new data

- Experimental vancomycin-resistant SAIE effectively treated by combination of vancomycin and nafcillin

*Antimicrob Ag Chemother 2006; 50: 2951-2956.*

- Daptomycin and moxifloxacin activity against intracellular MSSA and MRSA

*ECCMID 2007: P703 and P829.*

# Medical versus surgical management of SAIE

- Surgical treatment seems to be the best way to improve the results of SAIE
  - mortality rate 41% vs 35% (NS)
  - 24 month survival curve: 43% versus 74% (p 0.001)
- Early surgery independently associated with reduced mortality
  - in-hospital mortality 34% vs 16% (p 0.03)
  - 36 month survival curve: 39% vs 77% (p 0.001)

*Remadi JP, et al. Int J Cardiol 2005; 99: 195-199.*

*Remadi JP, et al. Ann Thorac Surg 2007; 83: 1295-1302.*

# Medical versus surgical management of SAIE

- Surgical intervention may improve survival in patients with SAIE (PVE and NVE)

*Roder BL, et al. Scand Cardiovasc J 1997; 31: 305-309.*

- Performing valve replacement surgery during antimicrobial therapy will reduce mortality among patients with *S. aureus* PVE

*John, et al. Clin Infect Dis 1998; 26: 1302-1309.*



# Medical versus surgical management of SA-PVE

- *S. aureus* was suggested an indication for surgery, independent of other risk factors
- Studies suggesting better outcomes in surgically treated patients may reflect biases inherent in patient selection for surgery
- Subsets of medically treated patients characterized by age less than 50 years, ASA score III, without cardiac, CNS or systemic complications were cured without surgery.

# Medical versus surgical management of SA-PVE

	Surgery	Deliberate conservative	Perforce conservative
Treatment modality	12/23 (52)	5/23 (22)	6/23 (26)
Mortality	5/12 (42)	0/5 (0)	6/6 (100)

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# Infective Endocarditis: Outcome

- 6-month mortality rate was 22 %
  - PVE 31 % versus NVE 18 % (p 0.09)
  - nosocomial 27 % versus CA 19 % (p 0.23)
- 6-month mortality was associated with causative microorganisms (p 0.01)
  - S. aureus 32 %
  - CoNS 35 %
  - streptococci 8 %
  - enterococci 24 %

# MRSA versus MSSA Infective Endocarditis

Mortality (%)	Surgery	Deliberate conservative	Perforce conservative
MSSA	10/36 (28)	0/11 (0)	6/7 (86)
MRSA	1/5 (20)	1/3 (33)	6/6 (100)

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# S. aureus Endocarditis (ICE – data)

Multivariate analysis	Unadjusted OR	95 % C.I.
In-hospital death		
Age (10 year increment)	1.40	1.16 - 1.69
Male sex	2.23	1.17 - 4.26
Persistent bacteremia	2.88	1.89 - 4.47
Stroke	2.69	1.43 - 5.07
Congestive heart failure	2.19	1.20 - 4.00
Intracardiac abscess	2.89	1.57 - 5.23
Surgery this episode	0.53	0.31 - 0.92

# Native Valve SAIE: outcome (ICE-MD)

- NV-SAIE patients were:
  - more likely to
    - die (20% vs 12%),
    - experience an embolic event (60% vs 31%)
    - a CNS event (20% vs 13%)
  - less likely to undergo surgery (26% vs 39%)
- Mortality of NV-SAIE associated with age (OR 1.4), periannular abscess (OR 2.4), heart failure (OR 3.9), absence of surgery (OR 2.3) and geographical region (11.4 up to 31.9 %)

# Prosthetic Valve SAIE: outcome (ICE-MD)

- PV – SAIE (n=61) had overall mortality of 47.5 % (7.7 % up to 71.4 % according to geographical region)
- Mortality not significantly associated with potential prognostic characteristic or early valve replacement

# S. aureus endocarditis: Conclusions (1)

- Most common etiology of IE in recent series from referral hospitals:
  - more nosocomial origin
  - more co-morbidities
  - (IVDU)
- Risk factors in patients with SAB
  - unknown origin of SAB
  - persistent bacteremia
  - persistent fever
  - ↳ perform follow-up blood cultures
  - ↳ perform TEE in (selected ? all ?) patients with SAB



# S. aureus endocarditis: Conclusions (2)

- SAIE is associated with high rates of mortality and complications
- Oxacillin derivatives are superior to vancomycin if MSSA-IE
- Combination with rifampin improves outcome in S. aureus PVE
- New drugs do not offer real break-through

# S. aureus endocarditis: Conclusions (3)

- Many but not all patients require surgery, even for S. aureus PVE
- Perforce conservative treatment has a disastrous prognosis
- Shared expertise of cardiologist, cardiac surgeon and infectiologist is required for optimal management.