



# Adult Cases

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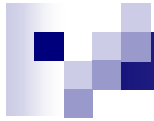
# Patient 1

- A 26 year old woman presented to the emergency ward with fever, non productive cough and severe asthenia for two weeks
- 6 months history of Crohn disease treated with azathioprin (Imuran\*) 150 mg qd and two months of methylprednisolone 16 mg qd stopped 2 weeks before hospitalisation
- No digestive disorder at the admission
- No rash
- No effect of 3 days of antibiotic therapy with oral amoxicilline-clavulanate
- Not sexually active



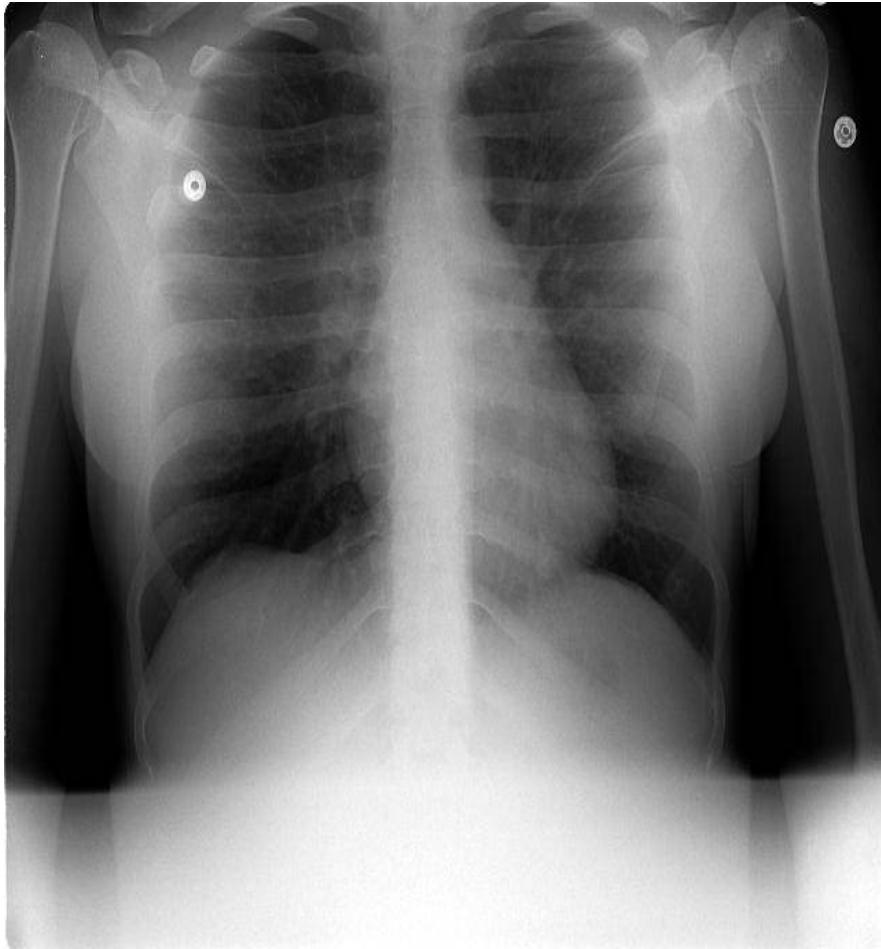
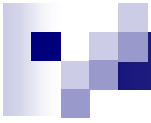
# Clinical examination

- Fever up to 37°7 C, chills
- Blood pressure : 130/60
- Pulse rate : 92
- Respiratory Rate : 20
- The exam was unremarkable :  
no rash, no pharyngitis



	At admission (Saturday night fever)
White blood cell /mm <sup>3</sup>	4000 (PN 72 %, L19.1%)
Red blood cell g/dl	12.4
Platelets /mm <sup>3</sup>	107 000
CRP mg/dl (<0.5)	6.37
GOT UI/L (7-31)	72
GPT UI/L (7-31)	31
CPK UI/L (10-170)	69
LDH UI/L (125-250)	570
δ GT UI/L (5-36)	109
Ph alc UI/L (40-50)	117
Total Bili mg/dl (0.3-1.1)	1.5
Hep A IgG/IgM	+/-
Hep B AG HBs Ac anti-HBs, HBc	-
Hep C	-
EBV: Paul et Bunnel/ IgG/IgM/	IgG+
Mycoplasma pn. IgG (0-100)	342
IgM (0-100)	177
Chlamydia pn. IgG (0-100)	127
IgA (0-100)	> 1000

+ blood cultures  
+ urinoculture





## ■ DD at the admission :

- Respiratory tract infection due to typical or « atypical » germs ? Chlamydia pneumoniae ?
- Azathioprine haematologic and liver toxicity ?
- Other

## ■ Treatment

- Hospitalisation
- Intravenous infusion
- Moxifloxacin 400 mg orally qd



# Evolution

- No improvement
- After 36 hours,
  - persistence of fever and chills,
  - increased respiratory impairment with polypnea



	<b>Admission</b>	<b>+ 36 hours</b>
<b>White blood cell /mm<sup>3</sup></b>	4000 (PN 72 %, L19.1%)	<b>1900 (64%, L 30%)</b>
<b>Red blood cell g/dl</b>	12.4	<b>10.6</b>
<b>Platelets /mm<sup>3</sup></b>	107 000	<b>105000</b>
<b>CRP mg/dl (&lt;0.5)</b>	6.37	<b>4.64</b>
<b>GOT UI/L (7-31)</b>	72	<b>61</b>
<b>GPT UI/L (7-31)</b>	31	<b>34</b>
<b>CPK UI/L (10-170)</b>	69	<b>294</b>
<b>LDH UI/L (125-250)</b>	570	<b>511</b>
<b>δ GT UI/L (5-36)</b>	109	<b>102</b>
<b>Ph alc UI/L (40-50)</b>	117	<b>109</b>
<b>Total Bili mg/dl (0.3-1.1)</b>	1.5	<b>1.3</b>
<b>D-dimères</b>		<b>&gt; 9000 microg/l</b>





## ■ + 36 hours :

- **Legionella AC** neg
- **Blood culture** neg
- **Urine culture** neg
- **Gazometry :**
  - pH 7.49
  - pCO<sub>2</sub> 23.8
  - pO<sub>2</sub> 49.4
  - BE -5.6
  - bicarbonate 18.5
  - sat O<sub>2</sub> 90.8%

d3



### **Pulmonary Infiltrates :**

**right inferior and median lobe  
+ left posterobasal lobe  
+ bilateral diffuse interstitial**

**+ hepatomegaly**

**+ homogen splenomegaly**

**+ mediastinal adenopathies**

**NO pulmonary embolism**



# What is/are the possible diagnosis at this stage ? (several answers possible)

**1. Azathioprin toxicity**

25%

**2. Bacterial pneumonia**


25%

**3. Viral primoinfection**

25%

**4. 'Pneumocystis jiroveci' pneumonia (PCP)**

25%



# 1. Azathioprin – side effects

- Hematological  
Leucopenia >> Thrombopenia  
>> Anemia → Main side effect  
(with gastrointestinal),  
reversible
- Hypersensitivity, fever, rash,  
arthralgia, myalgia,  
hepatotoxicity, reversible  
interstitial pneumonia → Low frequency
- Viral infection in non  
transplanted patients → Low frequency



## 2. Atypical bacterial infection

- Pro :

- Chlamydia serology : IgA +

- Contra :

- No improvement < FQ treatment but immunosuppressed.



## 3. Viral primoinfection or reactivation

### ■ Pro :

- pancytopenia
- CRP < 10 mg/dl at admission and not increased despite clinical impairment
- Immunosuppressed with corticosteroid
- Clinical presentation (2 weeks)

### ■ Contra :

- No severe immunosuppression
- No rash




## 4. PCP

### ■ Pro :

- Severe hypoxia
- LDH increased
- Immunosuppressed with corticosteroid

### ■ Contra :

- Clinical presentation (2 weeks)
- No severe immunosuppression
- LDH didn't increase between day1 and day3 despite no specific treatment



## What investigation(s) do you perform at this stage ? (several answers possible)

1. Add HIV and CMV serologies  
14%
2. Urinary legionella Ag  
14%
3. Galactomanan determination (blood)  
14%
4. Add toxoplasma, rubella and measles serologies  
14%
5. Bronchoalveolar lavage + PCP/ PCR PCP + culture, ...  
14%
6. CD4 numeration  
14%
7. Others  
14%











## Complementary diagnosis tests

- **HIV –**
- **CMV (EIA)**
  - IgG 44 UA/ml (0-7)
  - **IgM 1206 UA/ml (0-100)**
  - IgM (Sd ELISA) 244
  - IgG Avidity 6% : **recent infection**
- **Urine Legionella Ag : neg**
- **CD4 Lymphocytes : 284/mm<sup>3</sup>**
- **BAL :**
  - Direct exam : neg
  - Bacterial / fungal cultures : pending
  - CMV PCR : pending
  - *Jiroveci pneumocystis* (direct examen, PCR) : pending



## In addition to supportive care, how do you adapt your treatment ?

1. Add broad spectrum antibiotic therapy to moxifloxacin + PCP empirical treatment + corticosteroid (severe hypoxia PCP and possible toxicity due azathioprine)  
 17%
2. 1 + stop azathioprine  
 17%
3. 1 + stop moxifloxacin  
 17%
4. 1 + gancyclovir  
 17%
5. Add gancyclovir to moxifloxacin  
 17%
6. Add gancyclovir and stop moxifloxacin  
 17%

# Day 4

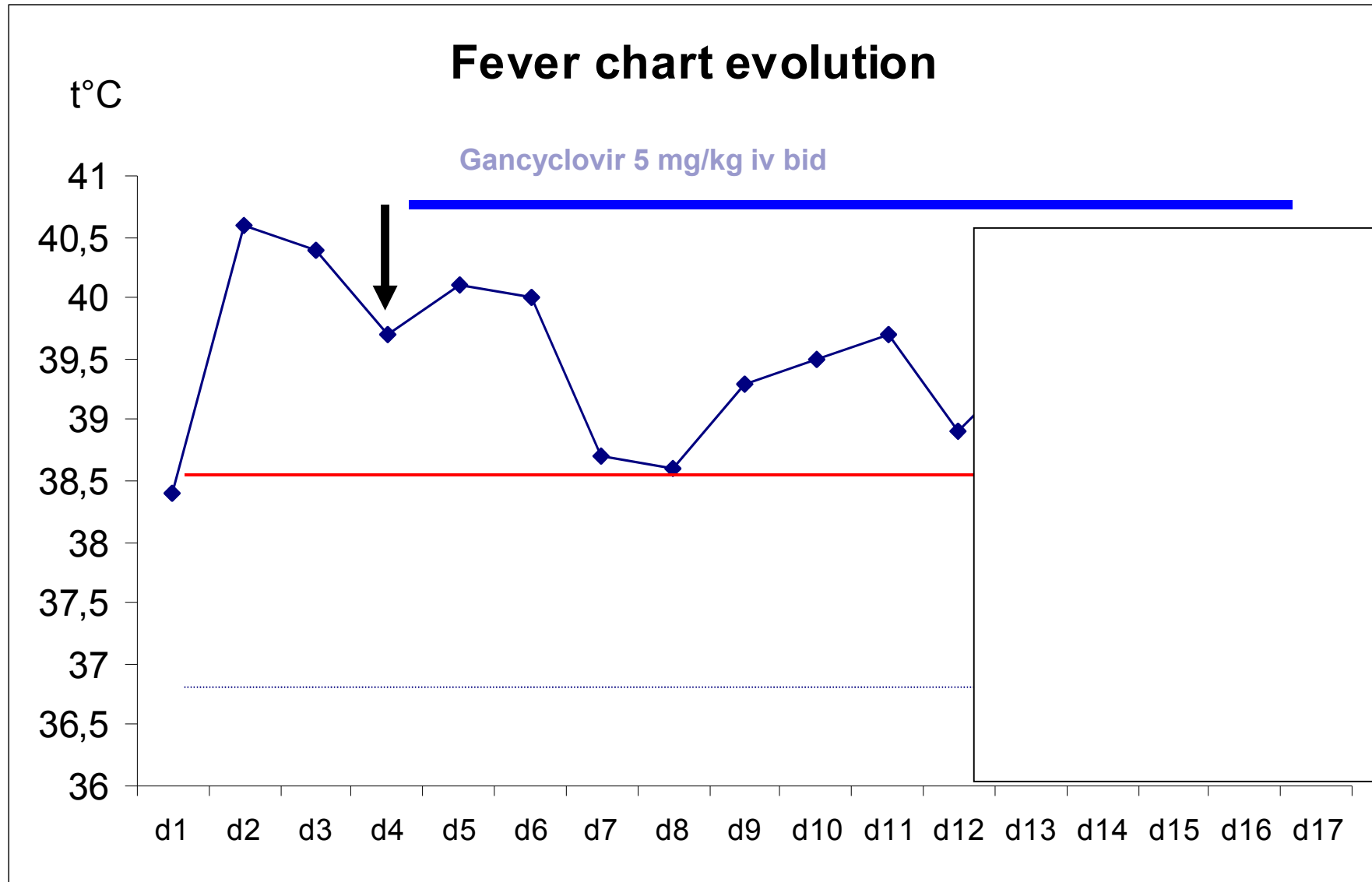
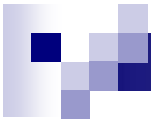
Chlamydia pn. IgG (EIA)	* 200	UA/ml	0 - 100
Chlamydia pn. IgA (EIA)	* 137	UA/ml	0 - 100
SEROLOGIE VIRALE			
EBV			
AC anti VCA IgG (EIA)	* 292	UA/ml	0 - 100
AC anti VCA IgM (EIA)	négatif		
AC anti EBNA (AC tardifs)	négatif		
Conclusion sérologie EBV:	Immunisation ancienne		
CMV			
CMV IgG (EIA)	< 5		
CMV IgM (EIA)	négatif		
Rougeole IgG (EIA)	* 4800	UI/ml	0 - 250
Rougeole IgM (EIA)	négatif		

- Confirmation of CMV primoinfection by testing previous (1 month before) blood sample
- CMV PCR on blood +
- CMV PCR on BAL +
- PCR and direct exam negative for PCP

→ **Stop : PCP treatment, corticosteroid, broad spectrum antibiotic therapy**

**Add : gancyclovir**

**Maintain : moxifloxacin**












## After 8 days of gancyclovir

- Patient remain pyretic ,  $> 38^{\circ}5C$ , every day
- The respiratory function was improved but the patient remained depending of oxygen support!!
- Hematologic formula and hepatic enzymes were normal
- CRP stable, low
- Family and patient and doctors became nervous,...

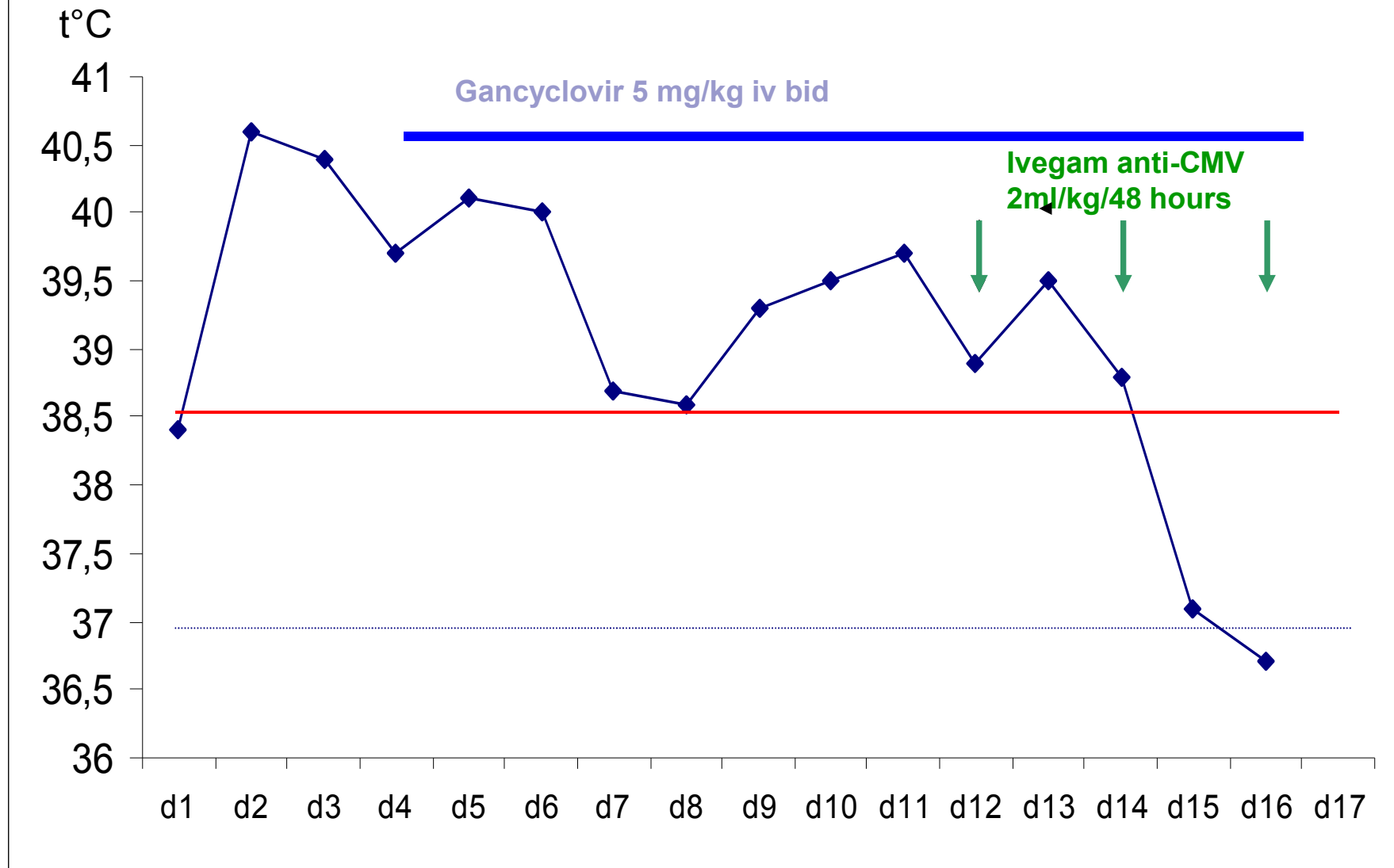


## **What do you do now ? (several answers possible)**

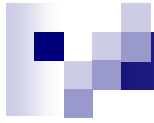
1. You research another associate diagnosis or CMV localisation  
 17%
2. You control PCR CMV or CMV AGenemia  
 17%
3. You research presence of gancyclovir resistance  
 17%
4. You shift gancyclovir to foscarnet  
 17%
5. You add specific immunoglobulin anti-CMV  
 17%
6. Other  
 17%

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1. We research another viral associate diagnosis : measles,...
  2. We control PCR CMV or CMV AGenemia : CMV PCR control remain + (less +)
  3. We don't research presence of gancyclovir resistance because patient didn't received previous anti-CMV or anti-HSV/HZV treatment or prophylaxis
  4. We don't shift gancyclovir to foscarnet ?
  5. We add specific immunoglobulin anti-CMV ?

# Fever chart evolution







# **Management of cytomegalovirus infections in patients treated with immunosuppressive drugs for chronic inflammatory diseases**

*Tnami and al. Revue de Medecine Interne 29 (2008) 305-310*



# Types of patients

## ■ Review of 22 adult cases :

- 7 rheumatoid arthritis
- 6 inflammatory bowel diseases
- 6 connectivities
- 2 systemic vascularitis
- 1 still disease

## ■ Immunosuppressive therapy :

- 6 methotrexate
- 7 azathioprin
- 7 cyclophosphamid
- 1 mycophenolate
- 1 corticosteroid alone : high bolus doses /
- 3 infliximab + other /
- 19/22 corticosteroid associated to immunosuppressive therapy



- Visceral clinical presentation

- >>> 9/22 pulmonary

- Treatment

- 14 gancyclovir iv or oral valganciclovir oral or foscarnet
  - 12 stop immunosuppressive therapy
  - 4 IgG
  - 1 GCSF

- Evolution

- 5/22 deaths,
  - 3 < CMV pneumopathy with severe symptoms at the admission



# Differential diagnosis

- dd Pneumopathy due to methotrexate
- dd Primoinfection versus reactivation
- Effect of type of immunosuppressive therapy on the CMV ?  
Difference ? As in solid or bone marrow transplantation ?
- 21/22 cas have association immunosuppressive drug  
and corticosteroid
- AntiTNF-alpha (infliximab) :
  - any evidence of direct association, the 3 patients receiving  
infliximab received also others immunosuppressive drugs
  - Torre-Cisnero and al (*Rheumatology* 2005;44:1132-5) showed that  
infliximab does not activate the replication of lymphotropic  
herpes virus in patients with refractory rheumatoid arthritis.



# Conclusions

- Evolution of symptomatic CMV infection is imprevisible and potentially severe in patients with CID
- Immunosuppressive therapy interruption :
  - **It's careful but not recommended in all cases (less severe cases).**
- Treatment :
  - **Valgancyclovir 900 mg bid oral if not threatening clinical situation, shift with gancyclovir 5 mg/kg bid iv if no amelioration**
  - **Gancyclovir 5 mg/kg bid iv**
  - **Foscavir**
  - **Cidofovir**
- No secondary prophylaxis recommanded/ follow PCR CMV or antigenemia and treat if reactivation.



# Fever of unknown origin and CID

CMV antigenemia or quantitative CMV PCR +

Visceral localisation

no visceral

What ? Valgancyclovir oral / gancyclovir iv

Duration ? Not defined, based on clinical evolution  
and virological evolution

Immunosuppressive therapy ? Maintain if necessary

Secondary prophylaxis ? No





## Patient 2

- A 66 year old man was admitted in emergency ward with abdominal pain, watery diarrhea, nausea, fever, fatigue and weight loss for 3 weeks
- Antibiotic therapy was prescribed during these 3 weeks (macrolide, amoxi-clav) without effect.
- Two days before admission, he presented inferior limbs oedema and cardiac echography was normal.





## Patient 2

- 8 weeks ago, he travelled to Thailand (big city, any malaria prophylaxis) for 15 days. A few days after his return, he presented diarrhea without fever, that resolved spontaneously.
- ATCD :
  - High Blood Pressure
  - Surgical umbilical hernia cure
  - Perforated gastric ulcer 30 years ago
- Travel's vaccination ?
- Retiree, babysitting his young grandchildren occasionally



# Clinical exam

- Pale, sweaty
- PR 120' RR 28' BP 130/80
- Abdomen : diffuse pain,  
tenderness at deep palpation of right flank
- Moderate oedema of bilateral inferior limbs



# Complementary diagnosis tests

- Biology :
  - WBC 17000/ PN 76%
  - CRP 6.6 mg/dl
  - LDH 522 UI/L (125-250)
  - creatinemia 1.43 mg/dl
- Chest RX : normal
- Abdominal TD (-C) : fluid around liver and oedema of terminal small intestine
- Blood culture
- Urine culture
- Faeces culture + clostridium toxin
- Serologies : hep A, B, EBV, CMV, ...



# Diagnosis and treatment at the admission

- Infectious enterocolitis
- Treatment with broad spectrum antibiotic therapy and metronidazol...









## Evolution day 2

- Increase of abdominal pain, nausea and dyspnea
- Elective pain on right abdominal flank with rebound tenderness
- Biology :
  - Increase of CRP : 6.6 to 11.8 mg/dl
  - Decrease of Hb : 15 to 11g/dl
  - d-dimeres > 9000
  - LDH 590 IU/l (125-250), gamma-gt 169UI/l (10-64)
  - Amylase, lipase, GOT, GPT, bili, CPK normal



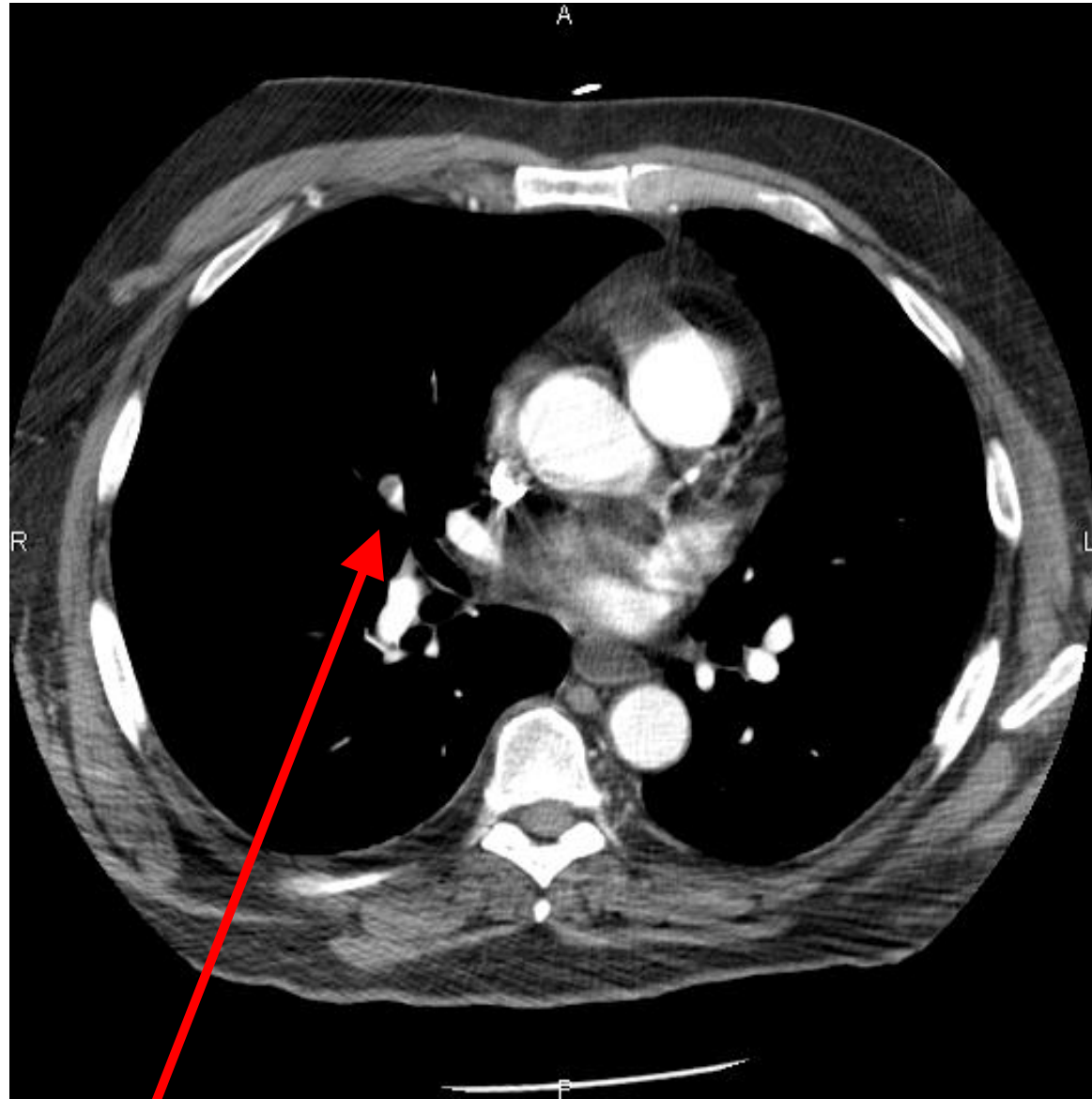
## What is/are your differential diagnosis ? (several answers possible)

1. Typhoid ? Or other complicated invasive infectious enteritidis (*entamoeba histolytica*, *clostridium difficile*,...)  17%
2. Perforated ulcer  17%
3. Malaria  17%
4. Mesenteric ischemia  17%
5. Pelvis vein thrombosis and/or pulmonary embolism  17%
6. Other  17%



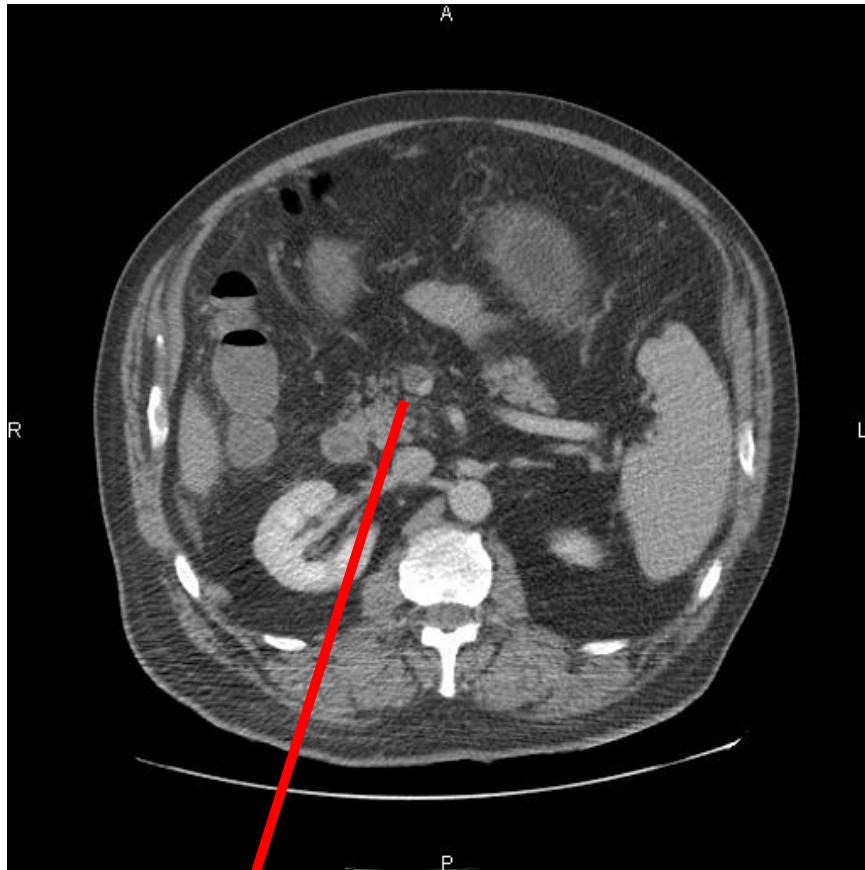
# Complementary diagnosis tests

- Abdominal TB enhanced by contrast + pulmonary angiography
- Gastroscopy
- Blood smear
- Faeces : research blood / parasites / clostridium



**Pulmonary embolism**





**Iliac vein thrombosis**



**Mesenteric Oedema**



## Evolution day 3

- Abdominal surgery : ileon 44 cm resection
  - AP : absence of neoplasia, multiple venous thrombosis and necrosis with polynuclear infiltration
- ICU, heparinotherapy, broad spectrum antibiotic therapy






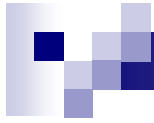
# You screen serologic results and ...

CMV			
CMV IGG (EIA)	* 67	UA/ml	0 - 7
CMV IGM (EIA)	* 466	UA/ml	0 - 100
CMV IGM (2ème Elisa)	* 215	UA/ml	0 - 100
CMV : avidité des IGG	13	%	> 80%
			si > 80%: séroconversion > 3 mois.
CMV : conclusion			Commentaire ci-dessous
			Séroconversion actuelle ou récente. Suivi sérologique souhaitable.



## Do you think that CMV primoinfection can produce vascular thrombosis ?

- 1. No, I screen coagulation predisposing factors for thrombosis (before heparinotherapy)**  
 **33%**
- 2. Yes, if associated with coagulation factors predisposing for thrombosis**  
 **33%**
- 3. Yes, CMV alone can produce vascular thrombosis**  
 **33%**



# **Severe CMV infection in apparently immunocompetent patients : a systematic review**

*Petros I Rafailidis and al. Virology Journal 2008,5:47*



# **Severe life-threatening complications of CMV primoinfection in non-immunocompromised patients may not be as rare as previously thought\***

- 89 articles/ 290 patients
- Most frequent sites of severe CMV infection :
  - **Gastrointestinal tract (colitis)**
  - **Central nervous system (meningitidis, encephalitidis, transverse myelitis)**
- Others :
  - **Haematological disorders (haemolytic anemia, thrombocytopenia)**
  - **Thrombosis of venous or arterial system**
  - **Ocular involvement (uveitis)**
  - **Lung disease (pneumonitis)**

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# Do you treat CMV primoinfection in this adult immunocompetent patient ?

1. **Yes**, the patient's disease is severe

25%

2. **No**, the veinous thrombosis is a late complication

25%

3. **Yes** if isolated fever remains high

25%

4. **Yes** if CMV antigenemia remains high

25%



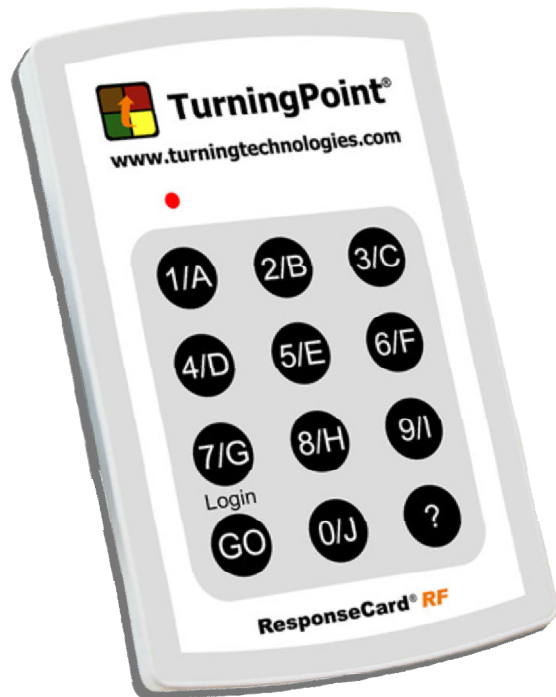
## **Need for specific antiviral treatment in immunocompetent patients with severe CMV infection\***

- Data are conflicting, no definitive conclusions about potential benefit, need randomized controlled trials
- Presumed benefit should be weighed against the potential toxicity of therapy
  - Gancyclovir : myelosuppression, CNS disorders, hepatotoxicity, irreversible infertility
- Risk of emergence of resistant viral strains
- Antiviral treatment prescribed for :
  - Meningoencephalitis (seizures and coma)
  - Ocular involvement
  - Lung involvement

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# ***AIMS INTERACTIVE VOTING***



**PLEASE  
DON'T GO AWAY  
WITH YOUR KEYPAD !**