

Figure 1. Final Allogeneic Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplant Recipient Bacterial Sepsis Decision Tree and Criteria Tools

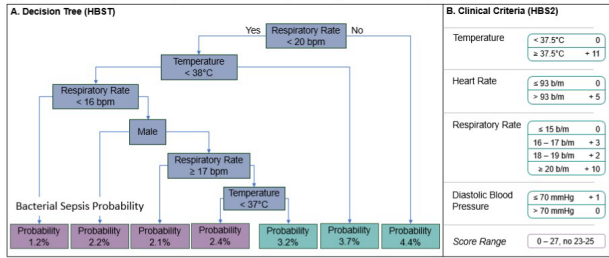
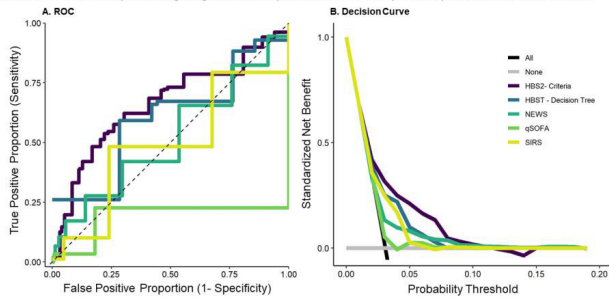


Figure 2. Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) Curve and Decision Curve for Each Evaluated Prediction Tool in Relation to Bacterial Sepsis Among Allogeneic Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplant Recipients with Potential Infections



**Conclusion:** We developed aHCT recipient-specific bedside bacterial sepsis prediction tools with higher AUCs than existing criteria. Tools targeted to high-risk populations may lead to fewer missed sepsis events and, in turn, reduce sepsis related mortality among this high-risk population.

**Disclosures:** Steven A. Pergam, MD, MPH, Chimerix, Inc (Scientific Research Study Investigator)/Global Life Technologies, Inc. (Research Grant or Support)/Merck & Co. (Scientific Research Study Investigator)/Sanofi-Aventis (Other Financial or Material Support, Participate in clinical trial sponsored by NIAID (U01-AI132004); vaccines for this trial are provided by Sanofi-Aventis)

## 282. Epidemiological Evaluation of Methicillin-Resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) and Methicillin-Susceptible *Staphylococcus aureus* (MSSA) Bacteremia: A Comprehensive Cancer Center's 10-Year Experience

Charles R. Ford, III, MPH, CPH<sup>1</sup>; Ju Hee Katzman, MD<sup>1</sup>; John Greene, MD<sup>2</sup>;  
<sup>1</sup>University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida; <sup>2</sup>Moffitt Cancer Center, Tampa, FL

Session: P-9. Bacteremia

**Background:** Coagulase-positive *Staphylococcus aureus* bacteremia among cancer patients carries significant morbidity and mortality. This study aims to compare the risk factors and clinical outcomes among cancer patients diagnosed with bloodstream infection (BSI) with methicillin-sensitive *S. aureus* (MSSA) or methicillin-resistant *S. aureus* (MRSA).

**Methods:** We performed a retrospective cohort study on all patients diagnosed with an active solid tumor or hematologic cancer with positive blood culture for *S. aureus* from January 2009 to May 2019. We collected data on demographics, comorbidities, malignancy type, venous access, neutropenia status, echocardiogram results, treatment (tx) duration, antibiotics usage pre/post culture, hospital LOS, infection severity, and 7-day and 30-day mortality. We used the Chi-square test to analyze categorical variables, t-test to analyze continuous variables, and the Kaplan-Meier survival curve and multivariate regression to analyze mortality.

**Results:** Two hundred eighty-three cases with malignancies and *S. aureus* BSIs were reviewed, and 168 were identified with BSIs for MRSA or MSSA during the ten years. The mean age for MRSA cases was 73.1 (±13.7) and 70.1 (±14.6) for MSSA; male patients were most of the sex ( $P < 0.01$ ). MRSA and MSSA bacteremia presented equally in hematologic malignancies, while MSSA was observed more in skin cancer than MRSA. Cancers that obstruct GU tracts may be associated with MRSA and MSSA from urine source as both were overrepresented in patients with bladder and rectal cancer. In most patients, the CVC was promptly removed and appropriate antibiotics were given promptly within 1 hour of the positive blood culture. For patients who underwent echocardiogram, most had a negative result in both groups. There was no significant difference for seven and 30-day mortality between the two groups. The mean hospital LOS was longer for MRSA cases (10.5 ± 13.5) versus MSSA cases (4.81 ± 9.1), ( $P < 0.01$ ).

Table 1. Characteristics of Cancer Patients with MRSA vs. MSSA				
Data	MRSA (n=84)	MSSA (n=84)	P-Value	
Age Group				
1-25	1 (1.2%)	2 (2.4%)		
26-50	13 (15.2%)	18 (21.4%)		
51-75	61 (72.6%)	58 (70.7%)		
76-99	9 (10.7%)	6 (7.3%)		
Mean	73.1 (±13.7)	70.1 (±14.6)	$P = 0.180$	
Sex				$P = 0.026$
Female	39 (46.4%)	25 (29.8%)		
Male	45 (53.6%)	59 (70.2%)		
Race				$P = 0.982$
White	70 (83.3%)	69 (82.1%)		
Black	10 (11.9%)	9 (10.7%)		
Other	4 (4.8%)	4 (4.8%)		
Malignancy				$P = 0.211$
Hematologic	39 (45.2%)	31 (34.5%)		
Non-Hematologic	45 (53.6%)	53 (64.4%)		
Neutropenia Status <sup>1</sup>				$P = 0.941$
Non-Neutropenic	48 (57.1%)	54 (64.3%)		
Moderate-Neutropenic	5 (6.0%)	5 (6.1%)		
Severe-Neutropenic	22 (26.4%)	22 (26.6%)		
Comorbid Conditions				$P = 0.419$
Mean	2.12 (±1.7)	1.90 (±1.7)		
Catheterization				$P = 0.485$
PICC	65 (77.4%)	66 (78.6%)		
CVAD	19 (22.6%)	18 (21.4%)	$P = 0.514$	
History of Bacteremia				$P = 0.066$
Yes	19 (22.6%)	10 (12.2%)		
TTE/TTE, negative	54 (64.3%)	58 (69.4%)	$P = 0.583$	
Insurance Type				$P = 0.409$
Private	38 (45.2%)	47 (56%)		
Medicare/Medicaid	29 (34.5%)	21 (25%)		
Other	10 (12.2%)	8 (9.7%)		
N/A	7 (8.5%)	8 (9.7%)		
Propylactic antibiotics				$P = 0.749$
Vancomycin	30 (36.5%)	32 (40%)		
Antibiotics				$P < 0.001$
Vancomycin	69 (81.7%)	43 (51.2%)		
Clinical Outcome				$P = 0.598$
7-day Mortality	9 (10.7%)	9 (10.7%)		
30-day Mortality	19 (22.6%)	19 (22.6%)	$P = 0.428$	
Mean Hospital LOS	10.5 (±13.5)	4.88 (±9.1)	$P = 0.01$	
Port Removal	42 (50%)	43 (51%)	$P = 0.877$	
PICC Removal	19 (22.6%)	20 (23.8%)	$P = 0.821$	
Duration of Bacteremia	5.76 (±8.59)	4.00 (±4.12)	$P = 0.092$	

<sup>1</sup>P-values are from chi-squared tests or t-tests  
 Some data values missing  
<sup>2</sup>Moderate neutropenia: absolute neutrophil count (ANC) 2500 and <1000 cells/mm<sup>3</sup>; severe neutropenia: ANC <500 cells/mm<sup>3</sup>  
 PICC: peripherally inserted central catheter, CVAD: central venous access device, TTE: transthoracic echocardiogram, TEE: transesophageal echocardiogram

Figures 1 & 2. Kaplan-Meier Survival Curve Comparing 7 and 30-day Mortality of Cancer Patients with MRSA vs MSSA BSI

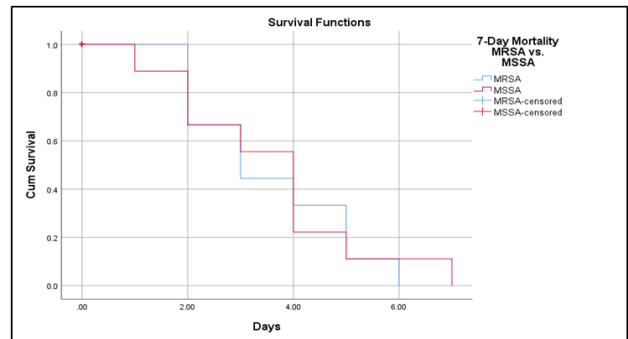


Figure 1. Kaplan-Meier survival curve comparing 7-day mortality of cancer patients with MRSA versus MSSA

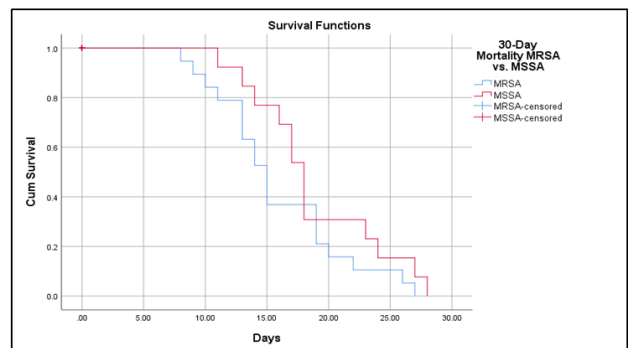


Figure 2. Kaplan-Meier survival curve comparing 30-day mortality of cancer patients with MRSA versus MSSA

Figure 3 & 4. Distribution of Cancer Types for MRSA (n=84) and MSSA (n=84) BSI

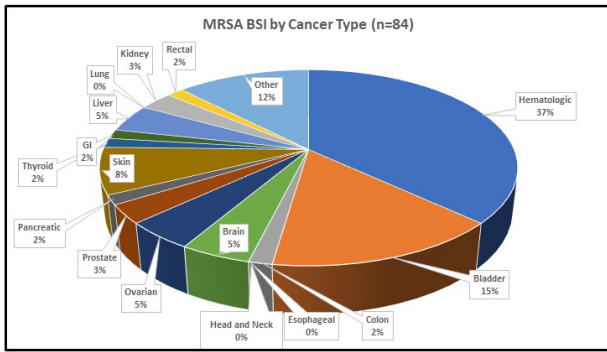


Figure 3. Pie chart of MRSA BSIs by Cancer Type (n=84)

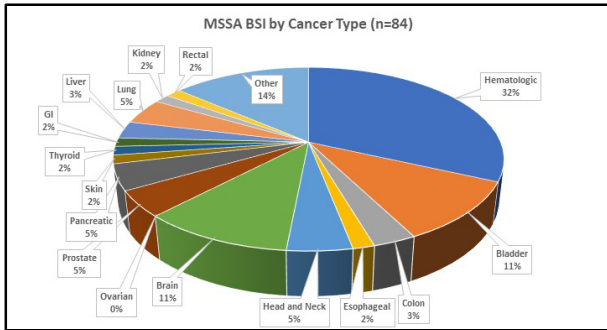


Figure 4. Pie chart of MSSA BSIs by Cancer Type (n=84)

**Conclusion:** Endocarditis with either MRSA or MSSA BSI is not a prominent finding among cancer patients at our institution. Given the extensive usage of CVCs and devices in patients with malignancies, prompt removal and antibiotic administration are essential to reduce morbidity; even then, the LOS for MRSA BSI remains longer than MSSA BSI.

**Disclosures:** All Authors: No reported disclosures

### 283. Epidemiology and Clinical Significance of Persistent Bacteremia in Severely Burned Patients

Lisa Townsend, MD<sup>1</sup>; Julie Rizzo, MD<sup>2</sup>; Ana E. Markelz, MD<sup>3</sup>; Dana M. Blyth, MD<sup>3</sup>; <sup>1</sup>SAUSHEC, San Antonio, Texas; <sup>2</sup>USAISR, San Antonio, Texas; <sup>3</sup>Brooke Army Medical Center, Fort Sam Houston, Texas

**Session:** P-9. Bacteremia

**Background:** Recent literature questions the utility of follow-up blood cultures (FUBC), especially for gram-negative bloodstream infections (BSIs). This has yet to be evaluated in the burn intensive care unit (BICU), where many BSIs are gram-negative. We evaluated the FUBC frequency, positivity rate, and clinical significance of persistent BSI (p-BSI) in BICU patients.

**Methods:** Patients ≥ 18 years old admitted to the US Army Institute of Surgical Research for combat-related thermal burns from 1/2003–6/2014 were included. P-BSI was defined as the same organism isolated from initial and FUBC (within 1–5 days). Non-p-BSI (np-BSI) included patients without subsequent isolation of the same organism between 1–5 days post-positive blood culture. Exclusion criteria were initial blood culture with usual skin flora, polymicrobial BSI, fungemia, and death within 24 hours of notification of initial positive blood culture. Those factors significantly associated with mortality on univariate analysis were evaluated with binomial logistic regression (BLR).

**Results:** Of 126 patients meeting inclusion criteria with BSI, 53 (42.1%) had p-BSI and 73 (57.9%) had np-BSI (table 1). 50 (67.6%) np-BSI patients had FUBC. P-BSI and np-BSI patients did not differ in age, gender, or race, but p-BSI and np-BSI patients had median total body surface area (TBSA) burns of 47 (IQR 34–63) and 35.3 (IQR 23.3–56.6), respectively (p=0.021). P-BSI patients had longer hospitalizations, ICU stays, and intubations (p< 0.01; table 1). Microbiology did not differ between p-BSI and np-BSI (p=0.517). Notably, 20 (37.7%) p-BSI patients died compared to 8 (10.8%) np-BSI patients (p< 0.001; table 2). BLR revealed that p-BSI (p=0.031), TBSA (p< 0.001), ISS (p=0.008), and length of ICU stay (p=0.002) and intubation (p< 0.001) were independently significantly associated with mortality.

Table 1: Clinical characteristics of burn patients with and without persistent bacteremia

	Non-persistent Bacteremia n=73 (%)	Persistent Bacteremia n=53 (%)	p-value
Age, years, median (IQR)	24 (21-30)	23 (21-28)	0.620
Male gender	71 (97.3)	52 (98.1)	1.000
Race			0.640
African American	11 (15.1)	4 (7.5)	
Hispanic	7 (9.6)	6 (11.3)	
Other	15 (20.5)	12 (22.6)	
Caucasian	40 (54.8)	31 (58.5)	
Conflict Theater			0.277
Operation Iraqi Freedom	62 (84.9)	41 (77.4)	
Operation Enduring Freedom	11 (15.1)	12 (22.6)	
TBSA, median (IQR)	35 (23-54)	47 (34-63)	0.016
Second degree burns, median (IQR)	7 (3-11.5)	6 (2-11.5)	0.389
Third degree burns, median (IQR)	27.5 (11-46.5)	41 (25-58.5)	0.007
ISS, median (IQR)	25 (18-34)	29 (25-41)	0.046
Inhalational injury	31 (42.5)	24 (45.3)	0.753
Days from injury to arrival, median (IQR)	3 (2-4)	3 (2-4)	0.853
Hospital days (total), median (IQR)	51 (31-88)	79 (43-138)	0.008
Intensive care unit days, median (IQR)	18 (11-41)	48 (17-90)	<0.001
Ventilator days, median (IQR)	6 (3-15)	17 (6-55)	<0.001
Days from injury to initial positive blood culture, median (IQR)	8 (5-15)	13 (6-35)	0.060
Microbiology of initial positive blood culture			0.517
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	9 (12.3)	5 (9.4)	
Viridans streptococci	3 (4.1)	0	
<i>Streptococcus</i> species, other	3 (4.1)	0	
<i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i>	0	1 (1.9)	
<i>Enterococcus</i> species	1 (1.4)	0	
<i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i> complex	23 (31.5)	22 (41.5)	
<i>Klebsiella</i> species	15 (20.5)	11 (20.8)	
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	7 (9.6)	8 (15.1)	
<i>Serratia</i> species	7 (9.6)	4 (7.5)	
<i>Enterobacter</i> species	2 (2.7)	1 (1.9)	
<i>Aeromonas hydrophila</i>	0	1 (1.9)	
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	1 (1.4)	0	
<i>Stenotrophomonas maltophilia</i>	1 (1.4)	0	
<i>Chryseobacterium</i> species	1 (1.4)	0	
Hospital length of stay following initial positive blood culture, median (IQR)	42 (20-71)	58 (31-92)	0.072
Condition at discharge			0.001
Death	8 (11.0)	20 (37.7)	
Severe disability	6 (8.2)	4 (7.5)	
Moderate recovery	8 (11.0)	10 (18.9)	
Full recovery	51 (69.9)	18 (34)	
Transfer to another facility	0	1 (1.9)	
Mortality	8 (11.0)	20 (37.7)	<0.001

Table 2: Univariate analysis evaluating associations with mortality in burn patients with bacteremia

	Survival N=98 (%)	Death N=28 (%)	p-value
Age, median (IQR)	24 (21-29)	23 (21-31.3)	0.839
Male gender	97 (99.0)	26 (92.9)	0.124
Race			0.221
African American	9 (9.2)	6 (21.4)	
Hispanic	9 (9.2)	4 (14.3)	
Other	23 (23.5)	4 (14.3)	
Caucasian	57 (58.2)	14 (50.0)	
Conflict Theater			0.951
Operation Iraqi Freedom	80 (81.6)	23 (82.1)	
Operation Enduring Freedom	18 (18.4)	5 (17.9)	
TBSA, median (IQR)	35 (23.3-52.3)	63 (46.8-74.6)	<0.001
Second degree burns, median (IQR)	6.8 (2.1-11.5)	7.5 (2.6-12.1)	0.916
Third degree burns, median (IQR)	27.8 (12.9-44.6)	52.5 (41.4-68.0)	<0.001
ISS, median (IQR)	25 (17.3-34)	34 (26-50)	<0.001
Inhalational injury	38 (38.8)	17 (60.7)	0.039
Days from injury to arrival, median (IQR)	3 (2-4)	3 (2-4)	0.722
Hospital days (total), median (IQR)	62.5 (36.8-102.5)	45 (10.5-66.8)	0.439
Intensive care unit days, median (IQR)	20.5 (11-48)	63.5 (18-97.5)	0.003
Ventilator days, median (IQR)	6.5 (3-13.8)	54.5 (18.5-83.5)	<0.001
Days from injury to initial positive blood culture, median (IQR)	10 (5-21.8)	10 (6.8-24)	0.573
Persistent Bloodstream infection	33 (33.7)	20 (71.4)	<0.001
Microbiology of initial positive blood culture			0.767
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	11 (11.2)	3 (10.7)	
Viridans streptococci	3 (3.1)	0	
<i>Streptococcus</i> species, other	3 (3.1)	0	
<i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i>	1 (1.0)	0	
<i>Enterococcus</i> species	1 (1.0)	0	
<i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i> complex	32 (32.7)	13 (46.4)	
<i>Klebsiella</i> species	21 (21.4)	5 (17.9)	
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	11 (11.2)	4 (14.3)	
<i>Serratia</i> species	9 (9.2)	2 (7.1)	
<i>Enterobacter</i> species	3 (3.1)	0	
<i>Aeromonas hydrophila</i>	1 (1.0)	0	
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	1 (1.0)	0	
<i>Stenotrophomonas maltophilia</i>	0	1 (3.6)	
<i>Chryseobacterium</i> species	1 (1.0)	0	

**Conclusion:** P-BSI was common in this burn population. Severe burns and longer duration of hospitalization, ICU stays, and intubation, but not microbiology were associated with p-BSI. However, p-BSI (in addition to more traditionally