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## Traitements adjuvants du sepsis Les corticoïdes

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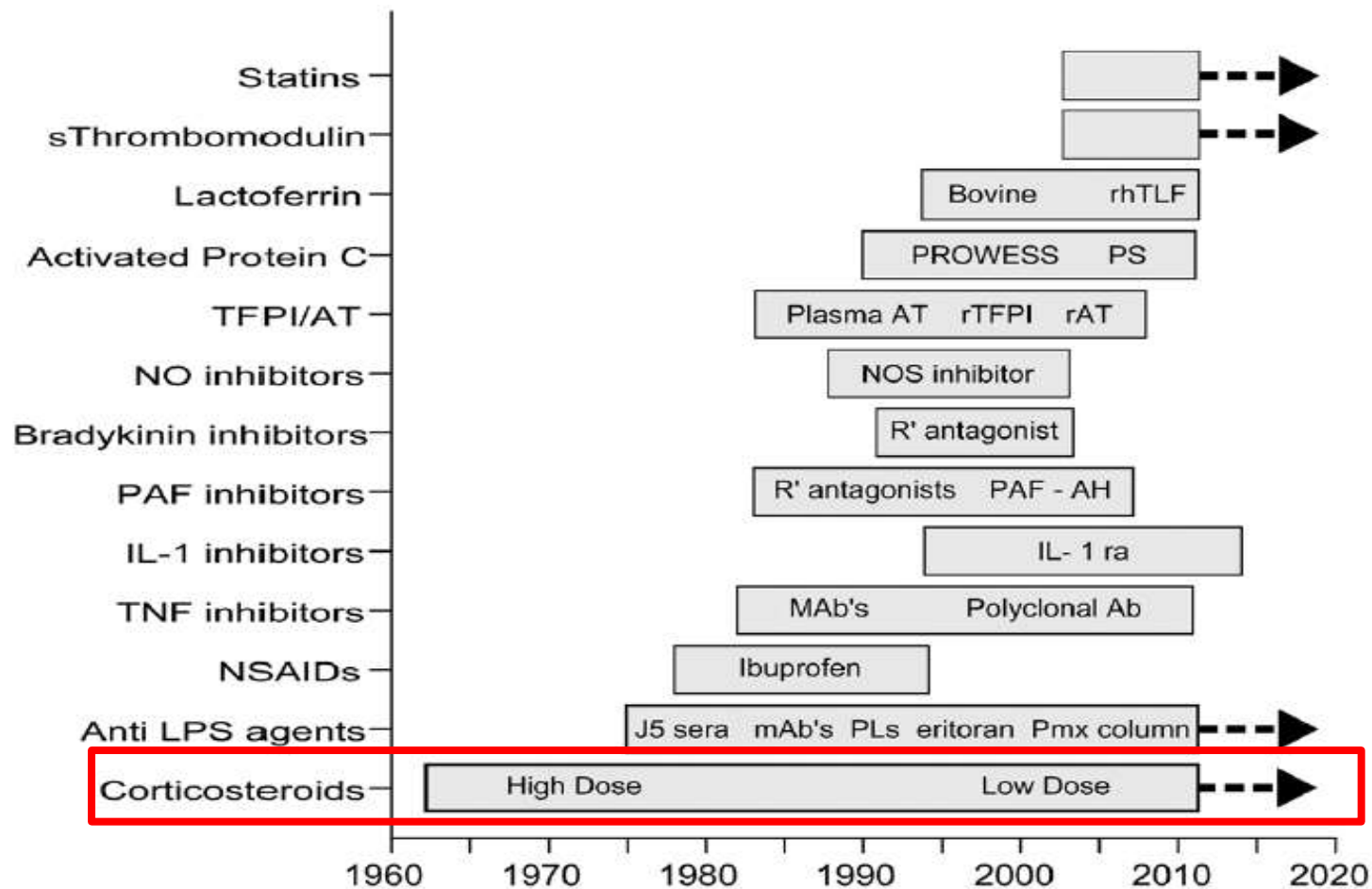
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**AUCUN CONFLIT D'INTERET**

**POURQUOI DONNER DES  
CORTICOIDES?**

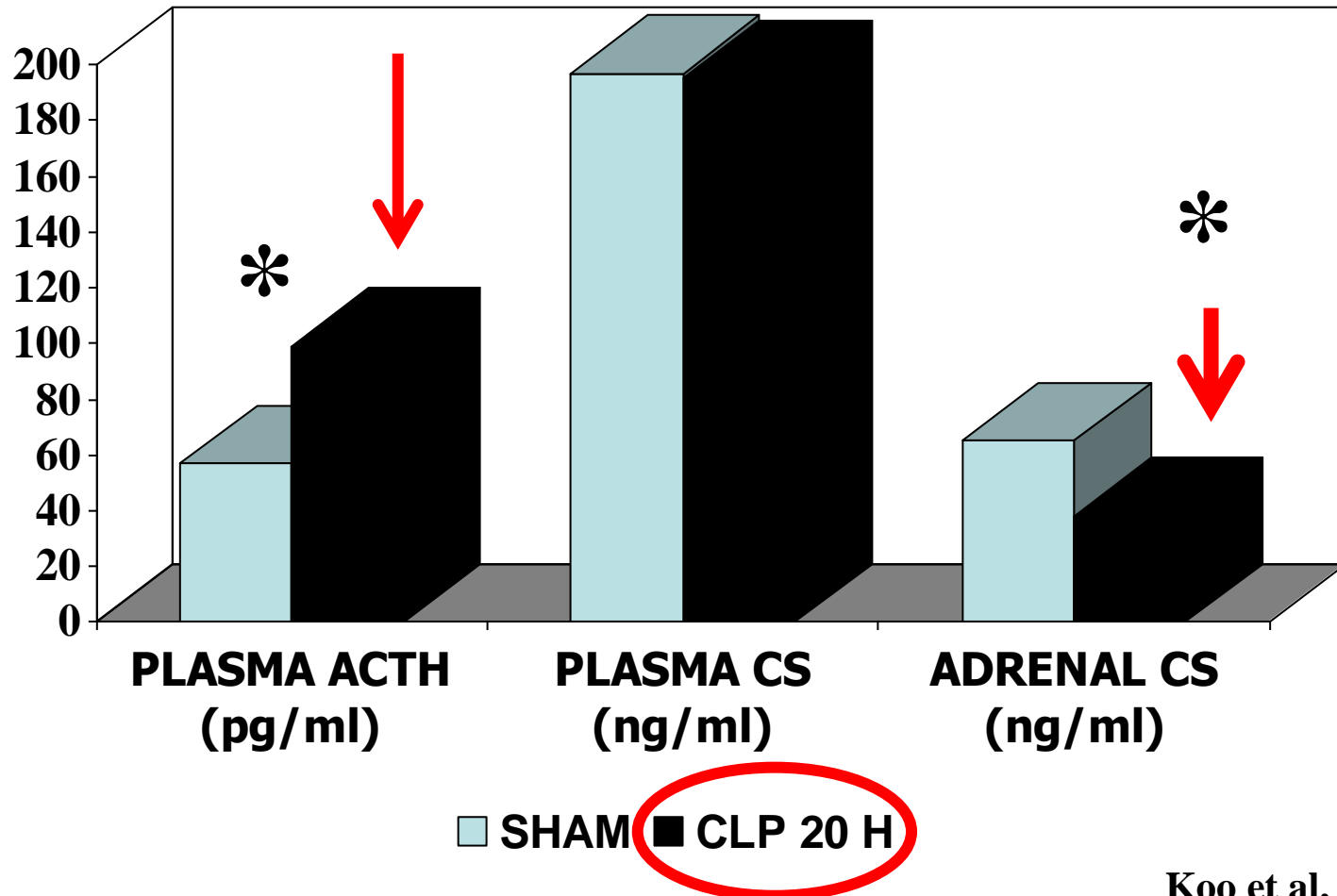
# The Next Generation of Sepsis Clinical Trial Designs: What Is Next After the Demise of Recombinant Human Activated Protein C?\*

Sepsis and clinical trials with « adjuvants » .....



# Adrenal insufficiency during the late stage of polymicrobial sepsis

► Peritoneal sepsis induced adrenal insufficiency in rats



# The Role of ACTH and Corticosteroids for Sepsis and Septic Shock: An Update

2016



Djillali Annane<sup>1,2\*</sup>

**SEPSIS ► Réponse *inadéquate* de l'axe hypothalamique-pituitaire-surrénalien**

**► Critical illness related corticosteroids insufficiency = CIRCI**

- RARE = Nécrose ou hémorragie hypothalamus/glande pituitaire ou surrénales
- Diminution de synthèse et de libération CRH – ACTH
- **Diminution de la stéroïdogénèse surrénalienne**
  - Diminution de la sensibilité des récepteurs surrénaliens à l'ACTH
  - Diminution de la délivrance du cortisol aux tissus / Résistance tissulaire aux cortisol / diminution du binding et de l'affinité des récepteurs au cortisol
  - Diminution de la « down-regulation » des facteurs de transcription pro-inflammatoire médié par l'interaction GC-GR



# Critical Illness-Related Corticosteroid Insufficiency (CIRCI): A Narrative Review from a Multispecialty Task Force of the Society of Critical Care Medicine (SCCM) and the European Society of Intensive Care Medicine (ESICM)

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**QUELLES ACTIONS ?**



# The Role of ACTH and Corticosteroids for Sepsis and Septic Shock: An Update

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## Amélioration de la fonction cardio-vasculaire

- Restoration d'un **volume sanguin** effectif par rétention hydro-sodée
- Restoration de la **résistance vasculaire systémique et de la réponse aux catécholamines** avec vasoconstriction et élévation de la PA
- Amélioration de la microcirculation et de la perfusion tissulaire

## Diminution des défaillances d'organes

- **Diminution de l'inflammation** tissulaire par diminution drastique de l'activité NF k B à différents niveaux
- Inhibition de l'iNOS avec prévention de l'hypoxie tissulaire et meilleure délivrance d'O<sub>2</sub>
- Amélioration de la fonction glomérulaire, de la CI de l'eau libre

# Les corticoïdes ne sont pas équivalents ...

COMPOUND	RELATIVE ANTI-INFLAMMATORY POTENCY	RELATIVE SODIUM-RETAINING POTENCY
HYDROCORTISONE	1	1
PREDNISONNE	4	0.8
9 $\alpha$ -FLUOROCORTISONE	10	125
METHYLPREDNISOLONE	5	0.5
BETAMETHASONE	25	0
DEXAMETHASONE	25	0

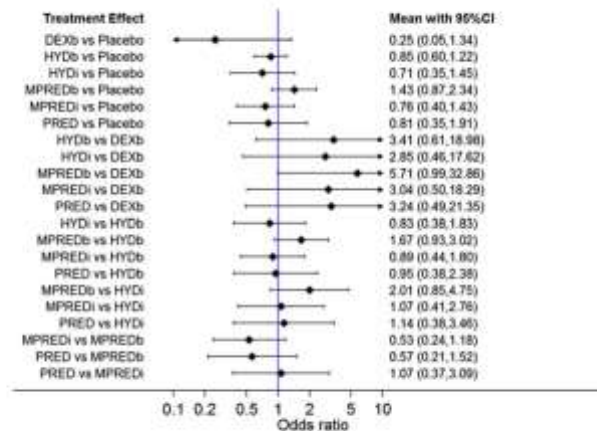
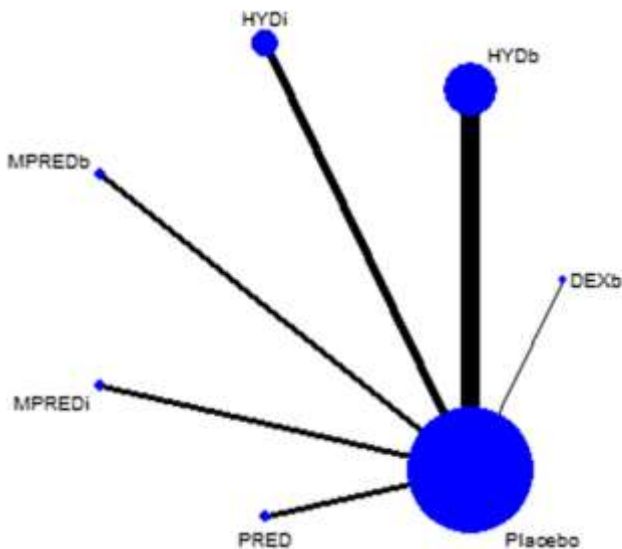
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# Corticosteroids in septic shock: a systematic review and network meta-analysis

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**Hydrocortisone en bolus ou continue > placebo et Methyprednisolone en termes d'effets sur la durée du choc**

**QUELS PATIENTS?**

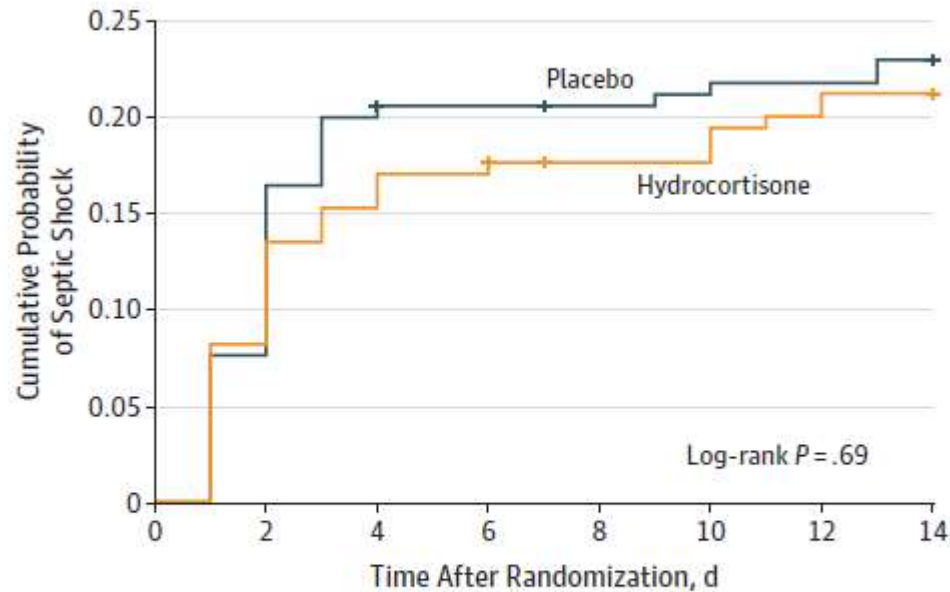
**Des concepts à la maladie ....**

# Effect of Hydrocortisone on Development of Shock Among Patients With Severe Sepsis

## The HYPRESS Randomized Clinical Trial

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Figure 2. Time to Septic Shock



No. at risk	0	2	4	6	8	10	12	14
Placebo	176	161	139	136	134	131	130	128
Hydrocortisone	177	163	146	142	138	138	134	130

- N = 380, 2009-2013
- HC 200 mg continuous infusion x 5 days then taper until day 11

### RESULTS:

- **No difference in:**
  - dev't of septic shock w/in 14 d,
  - time to septic shock, ICU & hospital, and 180-d mortality.
- Higher incidence of hyperglycemia
- No diff in infections, weaning failure, muscle weakness & hypernatremia

# Guidelines for the Diagnosis and Management of Critical Illness-Related Corticosteroid Insufficiency (CIRCI) in Critically Ill Patients (Part I): Society of Critical Care Medicine (SCCM) and European Society of Intensive Care Medicine (ESICM) 2017

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Should corticosteroids be administered among hospitalized adult patients with **sepsis without shock?**

*Recommendation:* We suggest **against corticosteroid administration in adult patients with sepsis without shock** (conditional recommendation, moderate level).

Crit Care Med December 2017;45:2078-88

Intensive Care Med December 2017;43:1751-63



## Effect of Treatment With Low Doses of Hydrocortisone and Fludrocortisone on Mortality in Patients With Septic Shock

- 19 ICU; 300 Pts; choc septique avec TAsyst < 90 avec > 5 gammaKg/mn de catécholamine
- 151 Pts CS versus 149 placebo;
- **229 NON répondeurs au test au Synacthène (réponse < 9microg/dl): 115 Placebo vs 114 CS**

► Mortalité à J28 des NON répondeurs: 63% placebo versus **53%** CS (95% CI 0,4-0,95; p: 0,02)

(1) Hydrocortisone (50-mg intravenous bolus every 6 h for 7 d plus fludrocortisone, 50 µg orally every 24 h for 7 d); (2) respective placebos  
Treatment had to be initiated ≤8 h after shock onset.

# Hydrocortisone Therapy for Patients with Septic Shock

- 52 ICU; 499 Pts, choc septique avec TAsyst < 90 avec > 5 gammaKg/mn de catécholamine
- 251 Pts CS versus 248 placebo
- **233 NON répondeurs: 108 placebo vs 125 CS**
- Mortalité à J28 des NON répondeurs: 36,1% placebo vs 39,2% CS (P: 0,65)
- ▶ **Pas de différence de mortalité chez les répondeurs: 28,7% placebo vs 28,8% CS**
- Plus d'épisodes de superinfections ...

1) Hydrocortisone (50 mg every 6 h for 5 d, then 50 mg every 12 h for 3 d, then 50 mg every 24 h for 3 d);  
(2) placebo

Quelles différences entre  
Etude française et  
CORTICUS ???

# Baseline Risk of Death

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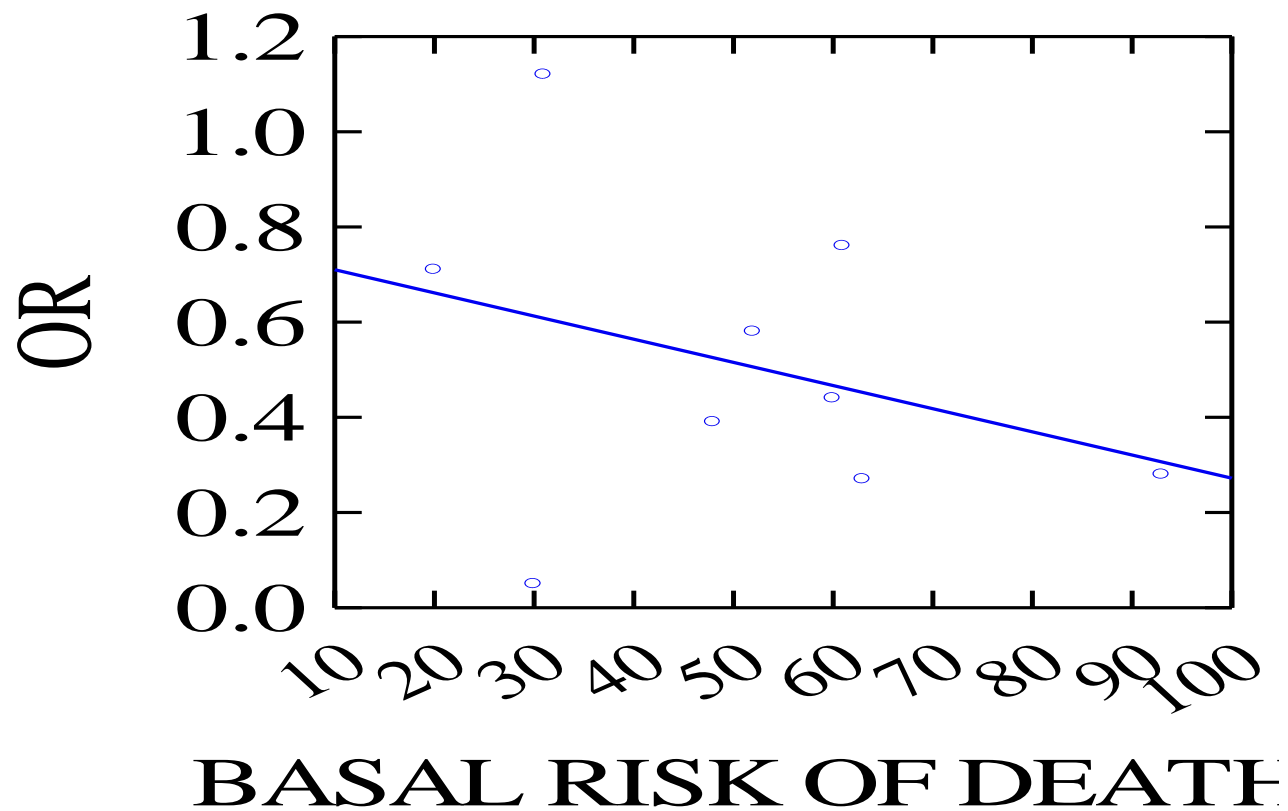
Corticus

Placebo

91/149 (61%)

77/248 (31%)

# EFFECTS OF STEROIDS ON MORTALITY ACCORDING TO BASAL RISK OF DEATH



# OTHER STUDY DIFFERENCES

	<u>France</u>	<u>Corticus</u>
Randomisation	8 hours	72 hours
SBP < 90 mmHg	> 1 hour	< 1 hour
Treatment	FC	None
SAPS II	59 $\pm$ 21	49 $\pm$ 17



# Profil des patients

	<u>France</u>	<u>Corticus</u>
<b>Medical</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>35%</b>
<b>Emergency surgery</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>54%</b>
<b>Elective surgery</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>10%</b>

# SITE OF INFECTION

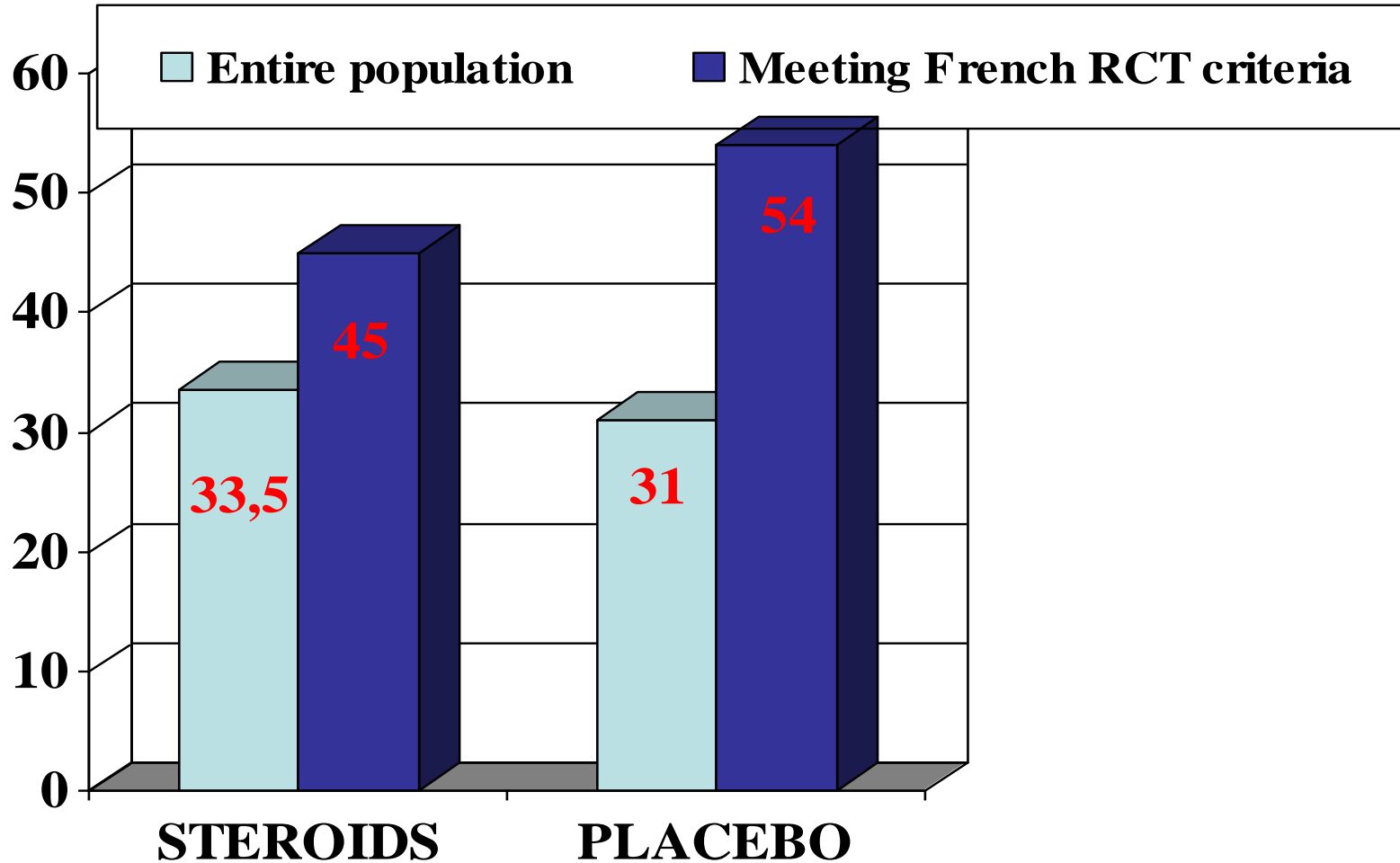
	<u>Annane</u>	<u>Corticus</u>
Lung	59%	34%
Abdomen	19%	48%
Urinary tract	9%	7%
Wound/Soft tissue	12%	7%
Other	28%	19%

# Non-responders to ACTH (delta cortisol $\leq 9 \mu\text{g/dl}$ )

	<u>Annane</u>	<u>Corticus</u>
Non-responders	77%	47%
Responders	23%	51%
Total	100%	96%

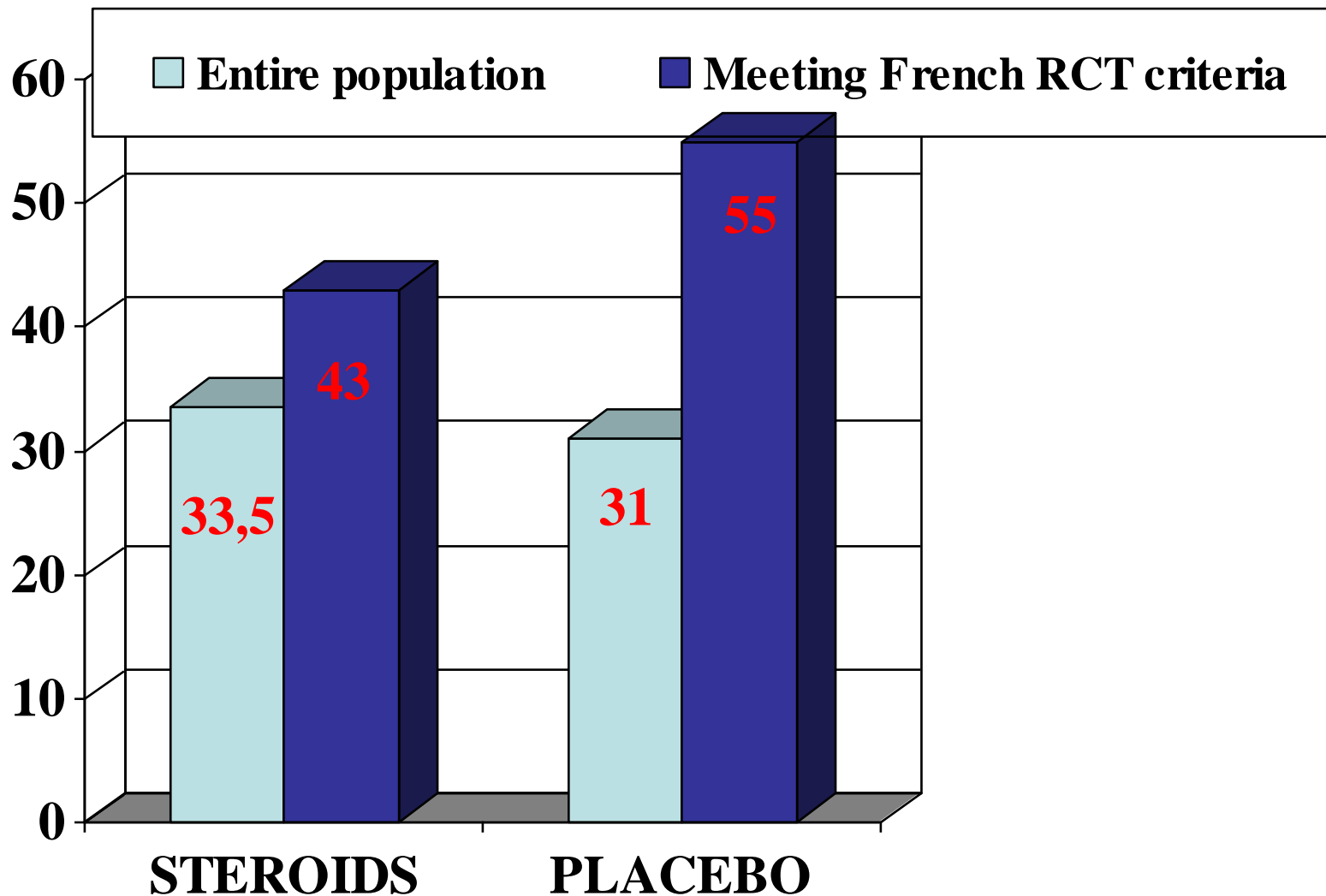
# CORTICUS: 28-day mortality

## all patients



# CORTICUS: 28-day mortality

## Non responders



# CONTROVERSIES IN CORTICOSTEROID USE FOR SEPSIS

Brit Long, MD\* and Alex Koyfman, MD†



# Surviving Sepsis Campaign: International Guidelines for Management of Sepsis and Septic Shock: 2016

1. We suggest against using IV hydrocortisone to treat septic shock patients if adequate fluid resuscitation and vasopressor therapy are able to restore hemodynamic stability. If this is not achievable, we suggest IV hydrocortisone at a dose of 200 mg per day (weak recommendation, low quality of evidence).

**WHAT'S NEW ?**

# Adjunctive Glucocorticoid Therapy in Patients with Septic Shock

« [ADRENALtrial](#) » Venkatesh

# Hydrocortisone plus Fludrocortisone for Adults with Septic Shock

« [APROCCHS trial](#) » Annane

# Adjunctive Glucocorticoid Therapy in Patients with Septic Shock

NEJM 2018

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- **3638 Pts/ 69 ICU** med et chir/Australie (45 centres), Gr Bretagne (12); New Zealand (8), Arabie saoudite (3), Danemark ( 1)
- Patients VM+ sous vasopresseurs ou inotropes > 4h
- **HSHC: 1832 Pts: 200 mg IVSE /j maximum 7 jours**
- **Placebo: 1826 Pts**
- Sexe masculin: 60% / Age : 63 ans
- APACHE II: 23 (APACHE II > 25: 45%)
- Admission médical: 69% (Pulm: 35% et Abdo: 25%)
- **Hémoc + : 17%**
- Catécholamines > 1 mg/h: 54%
- Time from shock to randomization: 21h

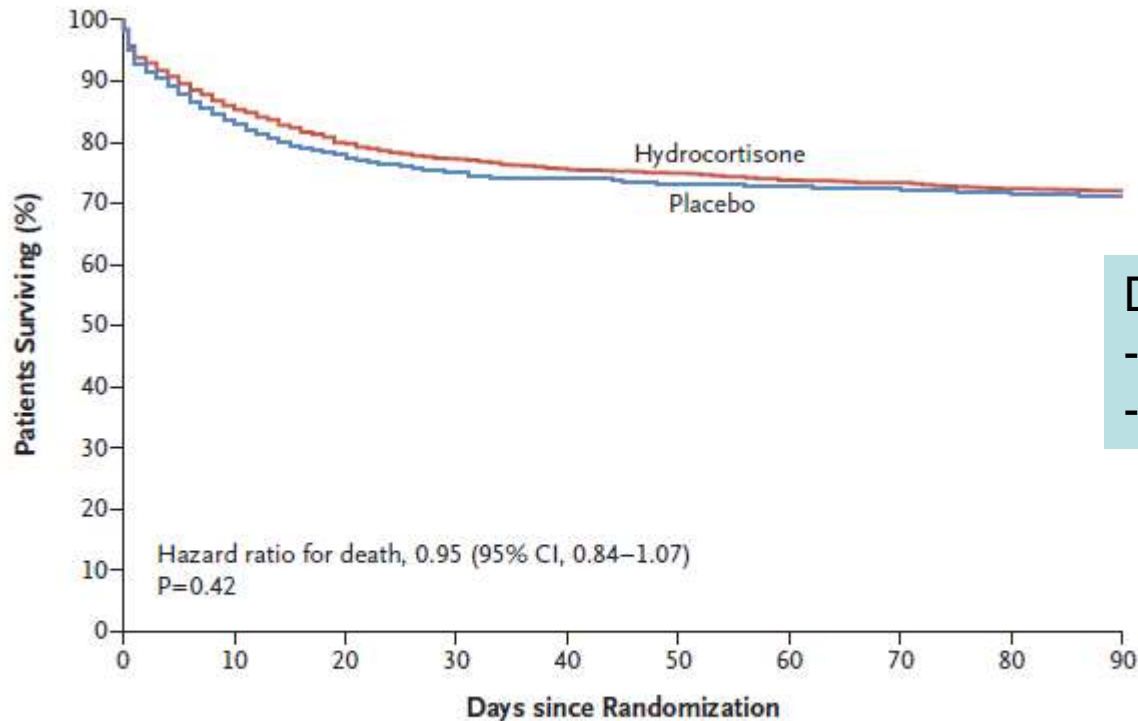
Time from shock onset to randomization

<6 hr	357/1842 (19.4)	349/1851 (18.9)
6 to <12 hr	516/1842 (28.0)	495/1851 (26.7)
12 to <18 hr	441/1842 (23.9)	427/1851 (23.1)
18 to 24 hr	528/1842 (28.7)	580/1851 (31.3)

# Adjunctive Glucocorticoid Therapy in Patients with Septic Shock

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Décès J 90:  
- HSHC: 27,9%  
- Placebo: 28,8%

## No. at Risk

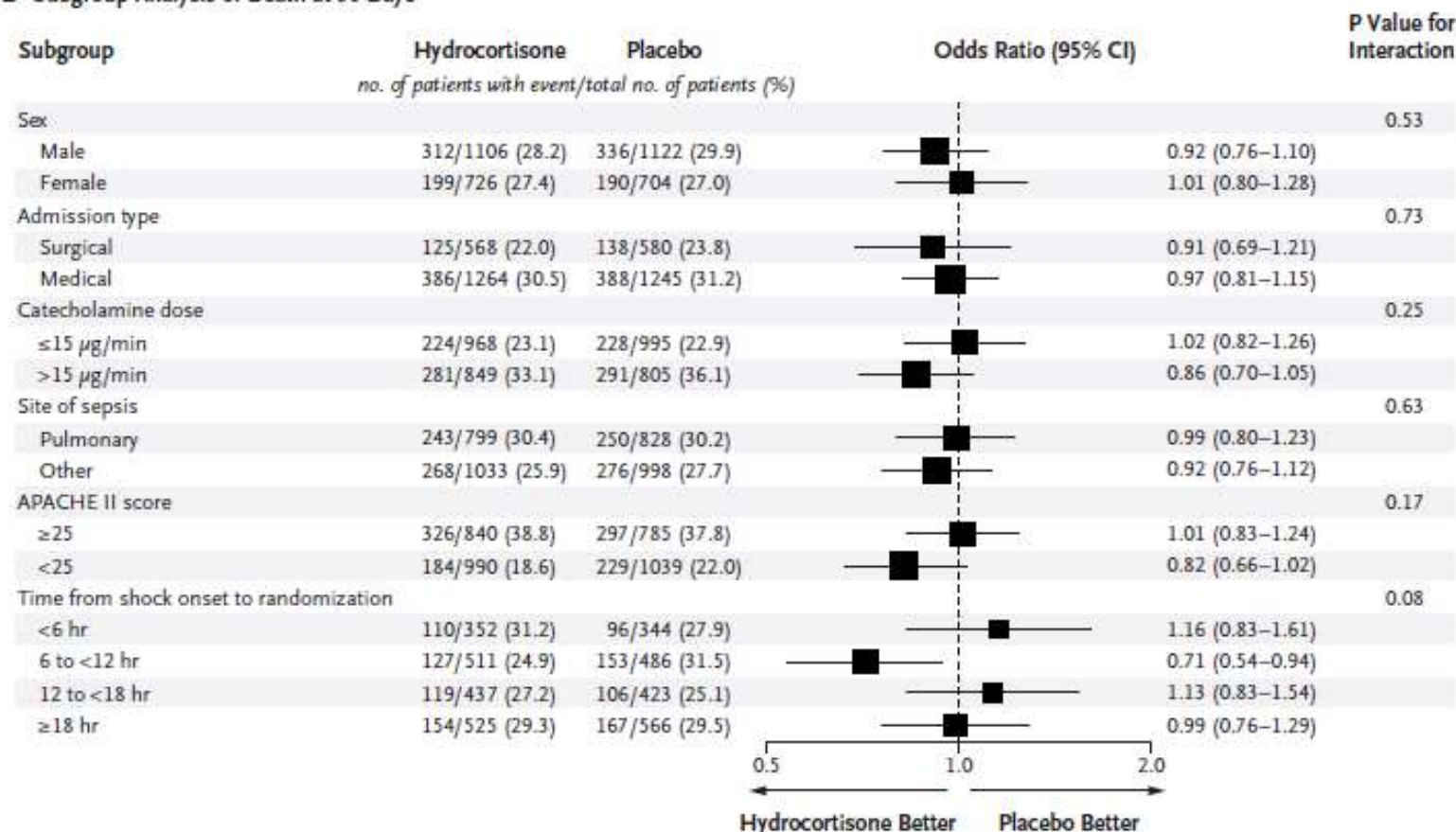
Hydrocortisone	1832	1591	1481	1418	1388	1374	1356	1348	1328	1321
Placebo	1826	1546	1433	1376	1354	1337	1330	1322	1312	1300

# Adjunctive Glucocorticoid Therapy in Patients with Septic Shock

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## B Subgroup Analysis of Death at 90 Days





# Adjunctive Glucocorticoid Therapy in Patients with Septic Shock

B. Venkatesh, S. Finfer, J. Cohen, D. Rajbhandari, Y. Arabi, R. Bellomo, L. Billot, M. Correa, P. Glass, M. Harward, C. Joyce, Q. Li, C. McArthur, A. Perner, A. Rhodes, K. Thompson, S. Webb, and J. Myburgh, for the ADRENAL Trial Investigators and the Australian–New Zealand Intensive Care Society Clinical Trials Group\*

- Hydrocortisone group:

- Faster resolution of shock (median, 3d vs 4 days)
- Shorter duration of initial mechanical ventilation (median, 6 d vs 7 days)
- Fewer blood transfusions  
37.0% vs. 41.7%; OR, 0.82; 95% CI, 0.72 to 0.94; P = 0.004

## 33 ADVERSE EVENTS:

- Hyperglycemia (6 HC vs 3 P) -
- Hyponatremia (3 HC vs 0 P) -
- Myopathy (3 HC vs 0 P)

# Hydrocortisone plus Fludrocortisone for Adults with Septic Shock

APROCCHS Trial Annane

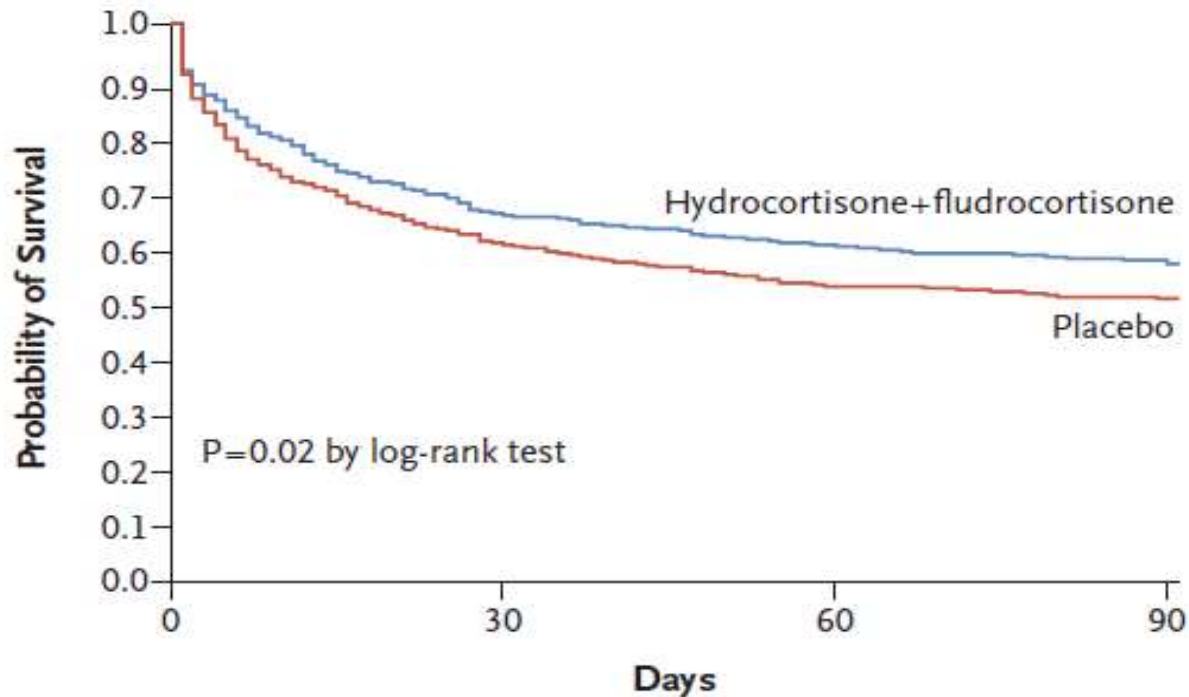
- **1241 Pts dans 34 ICU**; admission « médicale »: 82%
- Patients VM + : 92% sous vasopresseurs > 1mg/h au moins 6h pour TA  $\geq$  90 ou PAM  $\geq$  65
- Randomisation dans les 24h du début du choc
- **HSHC: 50 mg /6h bolus + fludrocortisone 50 Micro g/j PO pendant 7 jours**
- Sexe masculin: 67%; Age: 66 ans
- SAPS II: 56
- SOFA score: 12
- Infections communautaires: 77%; Pulm: 59%; Urines: 18%; Abdo/ 11%
- **Hémoc+ : 37%**
- Adéquate Abpie initiale: 96%

# Population

	<b>All patients N=1241</b>
<b>SOFA on ICU admission</b>	<b>10 ± 4</b>
<b>SOFA 12h-6h prior randomisation</b>	<b>11 ± 3</b>
<b>SOFA 6h-0h prior randomisation</b>	<b>12 ± 3</b>
<b>SAPSS II</b>	<b>56 ± 19</b>
<b>Lactates (mmol/l)</b>	<b>4.4 ± 4.9</b>

# Hydrocortisone plus Fludrocortisone for Adults with Septic Shock

APROCCHS Trial Annane



## No. at Risk

Hydrocortisone+ fludrocortisone	614	405	372	353
Placebo	627	381	333	319

## Décès à J90:

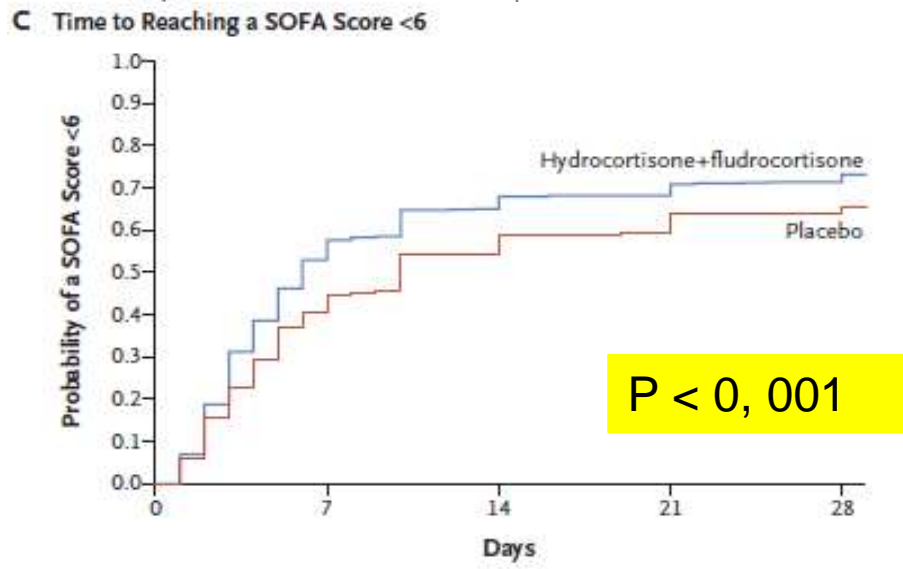
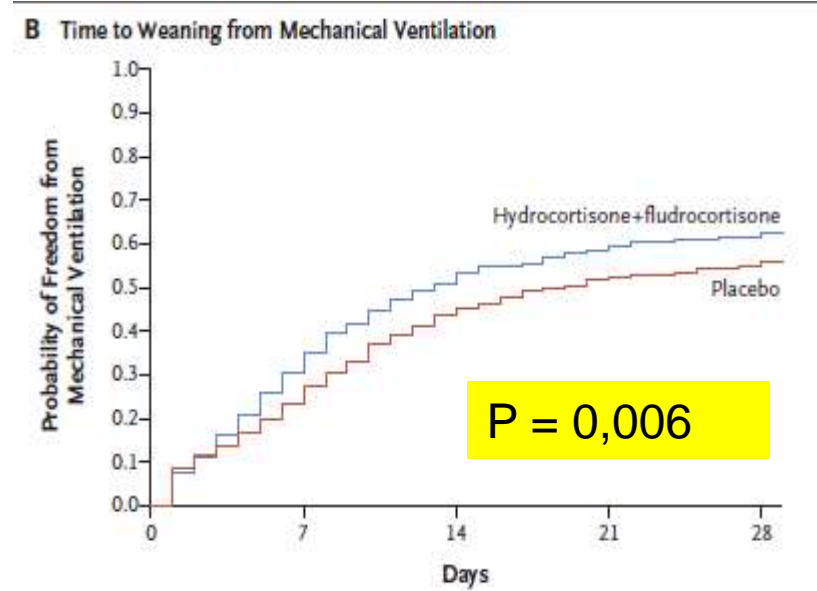
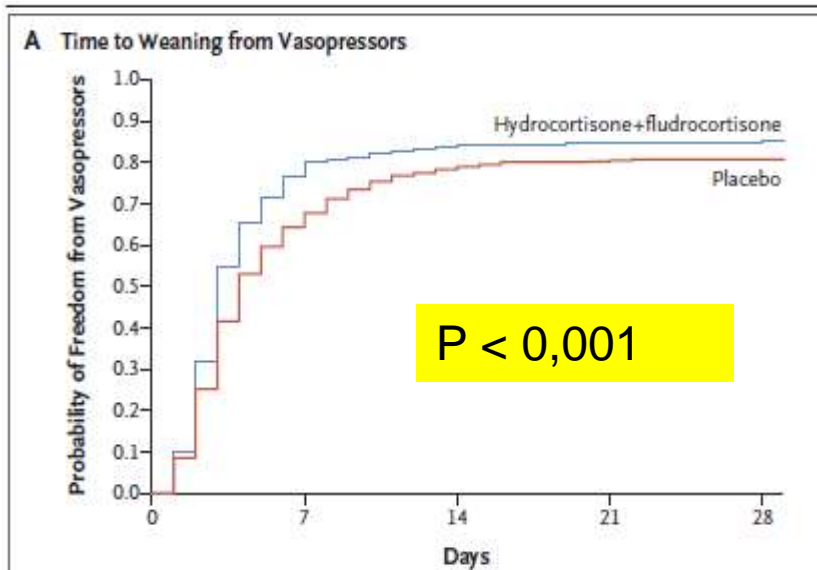
- CS: 43% vs 49,1% placebo p: 0,03
- RR de DC: 0,88 (95% CI, 0,78-0,99) = 12%

# Hydrocortisone plus Fludrocortisone for Adults with Septic Shock

APROCCHS Trial Annane

Outcome	Placebo (N=627)	Hydrocortisone plus Fludrocortisone (N=614)	All Patients (N=1241)	Relative Risk (95% CI) <sup>†</sup>	P Value
Primary outcome: death from any cause at day 90 — no. (%)	308 (49.1)	264 (43.0)	572 (46.1)	0.88 (0.78–0.99)	0.03
Secondary outcomes					
Death from any cause					
At day 28 — no. (%)	244 (38.9)	207 (33.7)	451 (36.3)	0.87 (0.75–1.01)	0.06
At ICU discharge — no./total no. (%)	257/627 (41.0)	217/613 (35.4)	474/1240 (38.2)	0.86 (0.75–0.99)	0.04
At hospital discharge — no./total no. (%)	284/627 (45.3)	239/613 (39.0)	523/1240 (42.2)	0.86 (0.76–0.98)	0.02
At day 180 — no./total no. (%)	328/625 (52.5)	285/611 (46.6)	613/1236 (49.6)	0.89 (0.79–0.99)	0.04
Vasopressor-free days to day 28 <sup>‡</sup>					
Mean	15±11	17±11	16±11	—	<0.001
Median (IQR)	19 (1–26)	23 (5–26)	21 (2–26)		
Ventilator-free days to day 28 <sup>‡</sup>					
Mean	10±11	11±11	11±11	—	0.07
Median (IQR)	4 (0–21)	10 (0–22)	8 (0–21)		
Organ-failure-free days to day 28 <sup>‡</sup>					
Mean	12±11	14±11	13±11	—	0.003
Median (IQR)	12 (0–24)	19 (0–25)	15 (0–24)		

# Hydrocortisone plus Fludrocortisone for Adults with Septic Shock



# Différences entre ADRENAL et APROCCHSS

- HC given as 50 mg IV **bolus q 6h** + PO fludro 50 mcg tablet once daily x 7 days in APROCCHSS vs HC **continuous infusion** 200 mg/day x 7 days or until death or ICU discharge in ADRENAL
- **ADRENAL**: higher rate of surgical admissions, lower rate of RRT, lower rates of lung infection and UTI and higher rate of abdominal infections, less Hc +



# A Role for Hydrocortisone Therapy in Septic Shock?

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- Les 2 études ont inclus des patients graves avec des scores de gravité élevés... mais non comparables: SOFA et SAPS II versus APACHE II
- **Patients plus instables APROCHSS**: Noradrenaline > 1mg/h plus de 6h
- **Mortalité des Gr contrôles très différentes** et plus importantes dans l'étude APROCCHS: 49,1% versus 28,8% = Pts PLUS SEVERES
- **Fludrocortisone dans l'étude APROCCHS**: activité minéralocorticoïde augmentée: restauration de l'expression des alpha1-recepteurs par l'aldostérone → amélioration de la réponse contractile à la noradrénaline et survie augmentée des souris en choc endotoxinique (CCM 2017, Fadel F)
- Absorption de la fludrocortisone orale correcte chez 2/3 des patients en choc septique (Br J Clin Pharmacol 2016, Polito A)

► **Bénéfice chez les patients les plus sévères au moment du Ttr**



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## Quels patients ?

It is likely that some practitioners caring for a patient with a deteriorating condition who is receiving escalating doses of vasopressors, in whom other core interventions have been instituted (i.e., appropriate antibiotics and adequate volume resuscitation and source control), will consider that the short-term benefits of low-dose hydrocortisone may exceed any risks (e.g., anti-inflammatory effects) as an added therapy in selected patients.

# EN PRATIQUE

- Hydrocortisone SANS dose de charge: 50 mg IV bolus/ 6h pendant 7 jours
- Avec Fludrocortisone 50 µg per os 1 fois/j pendant 7 jours (2 études randomisées +)
- PAS de décroissance

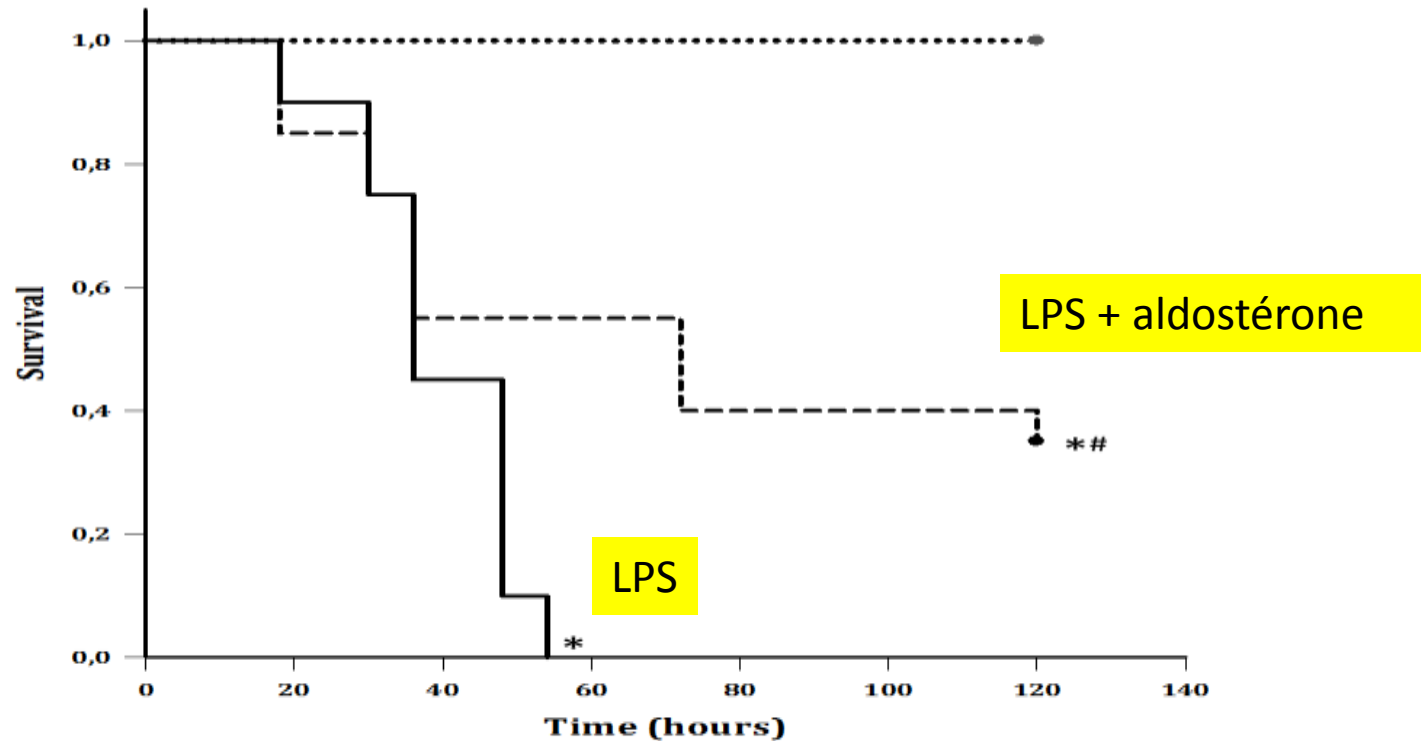
Bon vent breton !!



# *Drugs Related Adrenal Insufficiency*

<b>Mechanisms</b>	<b>Drugs</b>
<b>Primary adrenal insufficiency</b>	
<i>Haemorrhage</i>	Anticoagulant therapy (heparin, warfarin)
<i>Cortisol synthesis enzyme inhibition</i>	Aminogluthethimide Ketoconazole, Fluconazole Etomidate, Dexmedetomidine
<i>Cortisol metabolism activation</i>	Phenobarbital, Phenytoin Rifampin
<b>Secondary adrenal insufficiency</b>	
<i>Suppression of CRH and ACTH synthesis</i>	Glucocorticoid therapy (systemic or topical) Megestrol acetate, Medroxyprogesterone Ketorolac tromethamine Antidepressant drugs (e.g. imipramine) Opiate drugs
<b>Peripheral resistance to GC</b>	
<i>Interaction with GC receptor</i>	Mifepristone
<i>Inhibition of the GC-induced gene transcription</i>	Antipsychotic drugs (e.g. chlorpromazine) Antidepressant drugs (e.g. imipramine)

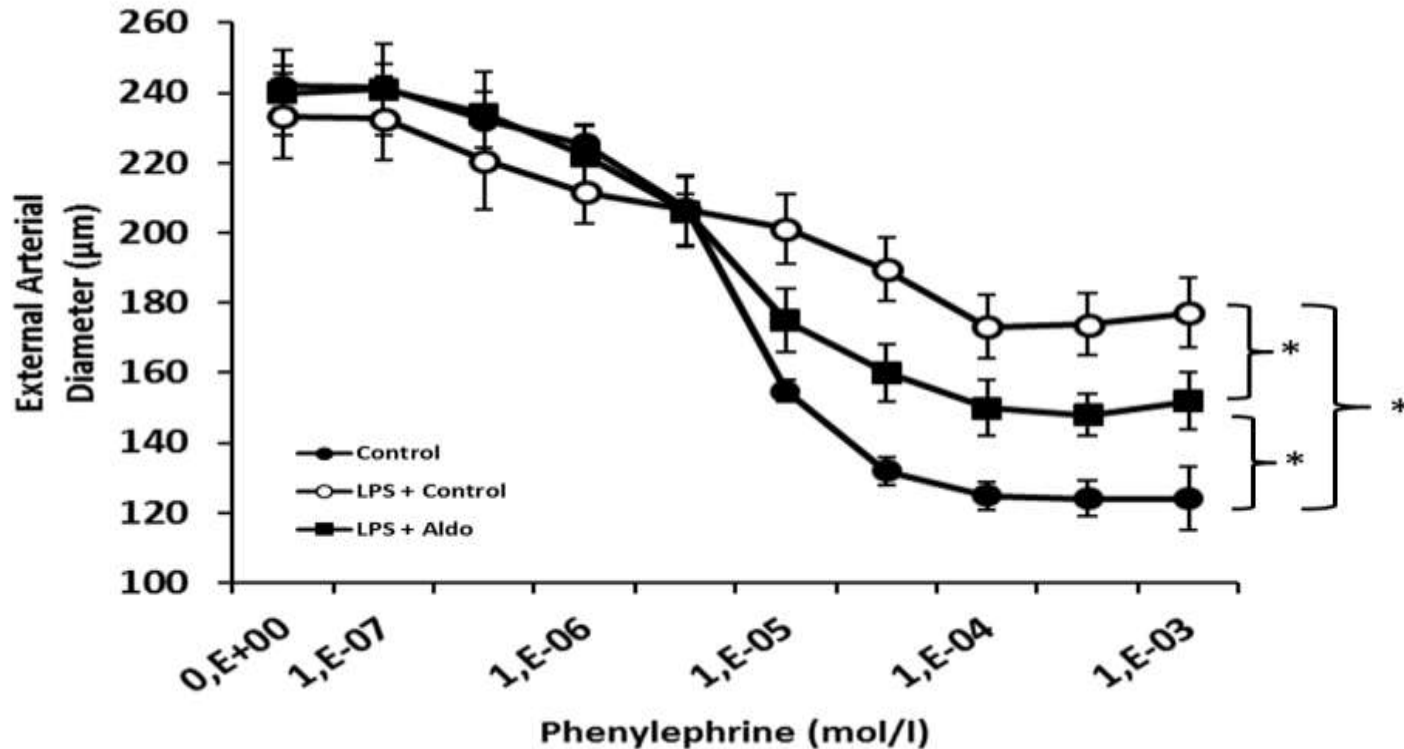
# Mineralocorticoids in sepsis



**Figure 1 -Effects of Aldosterone on survival in Endotoxemic Shock** – Mice were injected intra-peritoneally with vehicle, LPS or LPS and aldosterone (1 mg/kg)

\*  $p < 0,05$  vs Control, #  $p < 0,05$  vs LPS (n=20 in all groups)

# Mineralocorticoids in sepsis



**Figure 3 -Influence of treatment with Aldosterone on contraction response to phenylephrine in mesenteric arteries ex vivo** - First order mesenteric arteries from control or endotoxemic mice, treated or not with aldosterone were studied in a pressure myograph chamber ( $n=7$  in all groups) \*  $p<0,05$