

# Infections graves "communautaires" du système nerveux central

Réflexions sur la prise en charge initiale

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# Beaucoup d'infections possibles!

Méningite bactérienne

Collection intra-crânienne

Complications d'une endocardite

Méningite tuberculeuse

Encéphalite virale

Encéphalite non virale/non infectieuse

Encéphalopathie du sepsis

# Une démarche clinique initiale

1. L'histoire: aiguë, subaiguë, voyages, exposition animaux...
2. Vérifier l'absence d'immunodépression
3. Syndrome méningé, signes de localisation ?
4. Profondeur du coma
5. Porte d'entrée ORL ?
6. Signes extra-neurologiques (peau, poumons, souffle cardiaque...) ?

# Méningites bactériennes

1. **Mortalité**: 26% (*Méta-analyse sur 2029 patients: van de Beck D et al. Lancet Neurology 2010*)

2. **≥ 1 séquelle majeure**: risque médian : 12,8%  
(IQR: 7,2-21%)

- *S. pneumoniae*: 24,7% (16,2-35,3)

- *N. meningitidis*: 7,2% (4,3-11,2)

(*Méta-analyse sur 132 études: Edmond K et al. Lancet Infect Dis 2010*)

# Méningites bactériennes

- ❑ Une relation plutôt claire entre le délai d'administration des antibiotiques et le pronostic (4 articles)
- ❑ Une stratégie diagnostique bien codifiée (CC SPILF 2008, revues d'experts)

## Conséquences négatives sur le diagnostic microbiologique ?

- ❑ Une simplification de l'antibiothérapie initiale (CC SPILF 2008) liée à l'évolution des résistances
- ❑ Un débat toujours ouvert sur les corticoïdes (IDSA 2004, CC SPILF 2008, 2 méta-analyses contradictoires!)

# Antibiotic timing: clinical data

## Relation

1. Adverse outcome according to inoculum<sup>1</sup> and delay of CSF sterilization<sup>2</sup>
2. Early antibiotic therapy and outcome:
  - Prehospital antibiotics for meningococcal infections<sup>3-5</sup>
  - Septic shock<sup>5</sup>
3. Outcome and door to antibiotic time

<sup>1</sup>Feldman WE NEJM 1977, <sup>2</sup> Lebel MH et al. Pediatrics 1989, <sup>3</sup>Strang JR et al BMJ 1992, <sup>4</sup>Cartwright K et al BMJ 1992, <sup>5</sup>Harnden A et al BMJ 2006, <sup>5</sup> Kumar A CCM2006

Table 2. Multivariate analysis of baseline factors at intensive care unit admission associated with 3-month mortality **156 ICU adults with *S. pneumoniae* meningitis**

Variable	Odds Ratio	95% Confidence Interval	p Value
SAPS II <sup>a</sup>	1.12	1.072–1.153	.002
Penicillin-nonsusceptible <i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i>	6.83	2.94–20.8	<10 <sup>-4</sup>
Interval >3 hrs between hospital admission and antibiotic treatment	14.12	3.93–50.9	<10 <sup>-4</sup>
CSF leukocyte count >10 <sup>3</sup> /μL	0.30	0.10–0.944	.04

Table 4. Multivariate analysis of baseline factors at intensive care unit admission associated with 3-month adverse events

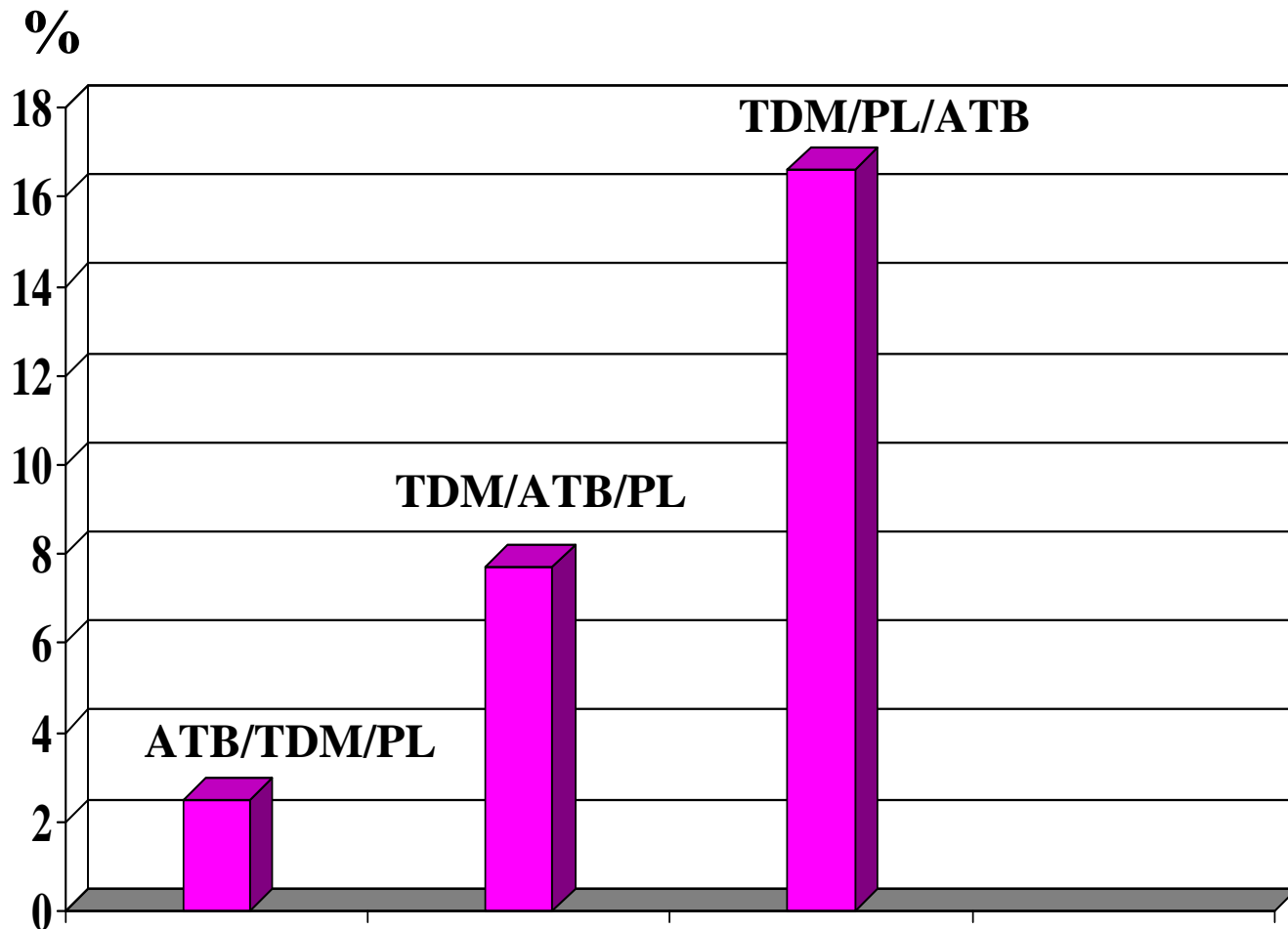
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SAPS II <sup>a</sup>	1.06	1.04–1.09	<10 <sup>-4</sup>
Penicillin-nonsusceptible <i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i>	2.58	1.13–5.9	.02
Interval >3 hrs between hospital admission and antibiotic treatment	2.84	1.10–5.6	.03
CSF leukocyte count >10 <sup>3</sup> /μL	0.37	0.16–0.83	.02

## Les seules indications à la réalisation d'une imagerie cérébrale avant PL chez un patient suspect de méningite bactérienne sont :

1. Les signes de localisation neurologiques tels qu'ils peuvent apparaître lors d'un examen complet utilisant par exemple les items 2 à 11 du score NIHSS
2. Les troubles de vigilance mesurés par un score de Glasgow  $\leq 11$
3. Les crises épileptiques récentes ou en cours, focales ou généralisées après l'âge de 5 ans, seulement si héli-corporelles avant cet âge.



# MB: mortalité et séquences



# At the ED or ICU admission

## Situation A

- Meningeal syndrome
  - Impaired consciousness
- without focal neurological nor seizures



1 BC and LP



CSF: cloudy : immediate ATB

## Situation B

- Impaired consciousness  
+ focal neurological/seizures
- Immunocompromised status



1: BC 2: ATB

3: CT-scan 4: LP

# Conséquences négatives sur le diagnostic microbiologique ?

PL < 4 h après 1<sup>ère</sup> dose ATB

n = 11

PL > 4h après 1<sup>ère</sup> dose ATB

n = 71

Cultures LCR+

8 (73%)

8 (11%)

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P < 0,001

*Menezes MB et al. Emrg Med J 2010*

Hémocultures positives: 50-60% des méningites bactériennes

# La PCR est l'avenir du diagnostic microbiologique des méningites bactériennes

- 37 patients : méningite à *S. pneumoniae* ou *N. meningitidis*  
PCR temps-réel: **Se: 87% (NM)/100% (SP)** van Gastel E et al. *Eur J Clin Microbiol Infect Dis* 2007
- 35 patients: méningite bactérienne: PCR **Se 77%** Deutch S et al. *Scand J Infect Dis* 2008
- 36 patients : méningite à *S. pneumoniae* ou *N. meningitidis*  
PCR: **Se: 100% (NM)/95% (SP)** Boving MK et al. *JCM* 2009
- 32 patients : méningite bactérienne: PCR **Se: 93%** Rafi W et al. *J Emerg Med* 2010

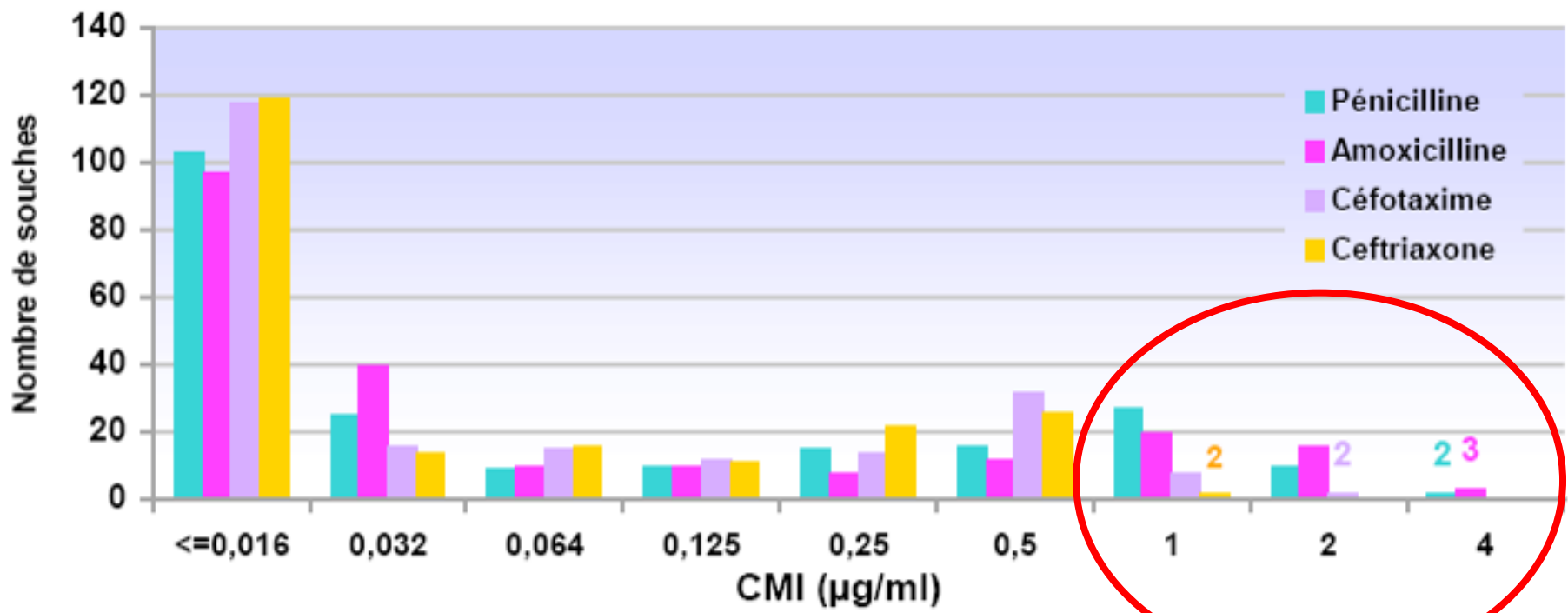
# La PCR : avenir du diagnostic microbiologique des méningites bactériennes

	Test	Sensitivity	Specificity
<i>N. meningitidis</i> (n=23)	PCR <i>ctrA</i>	20/23 (87%)	45/47 (96%)
	Gram stain	6/22 (27%)	46/46 (100%)
	Culture	4/23 (17%)	47/47 (100%)
<i>S. pneumoniae</i> (n=14)	PCR <i>ply</i>	14/14 (100%)	56/56 (100%)
	Gram stain	8/13 (62%)	55/55 (100%)
	Culture	5/14 (36%)	56/56 (100%)

*van Gastel E et al. Eur J Clin Microbiol Infect Dis 2007*

# Traitement initial des méningites bactériennes

Examen direct positif	Molécule	Dosage
Suspicion de pneumocoque	<u>Cefotaxime</u> Ou <u>Ceftriaxone</u>	300 mg/kg/j soit en 4 inj soit perfusion continue avec dose de charge de 50 mg/kg sur 1 h° 100 mg/kg/j en 2 injections
Suspicion de méningocoque	<u>Cefotaxime</u> Ou <u>Ceftriaxone</u>	200 mg/kg/j soit en 4 inj soit perfusion continue avec dose de charge de 50 mg/kg sur 1 h° 75 mg/kg/j en 2 injections
Suspicion de listériose	<u>Amoxicilline</u> + Gentamicine	200 mg/kg/j soit en 4 injections 3 à 5 mg/kg/j en dose unique journalière



**Figure 7** – Distribution des souches *S. pneumoniae* isolées de méningites chez l'adulte (n=217) en fonction des CMI de pénicilline, amoxicilline, céfotaxime et ceftriaxone [17].

E. Varon, Centre National de Référence des Pneumocoques, 2008

# Steroids in adults with acute bacterial meningitis: a systematic review

Diederik van de Beek, Jan de Gans, Peter McIntyre, and Kameshwar Prasad

THE LANCET Infectious Diseases Vol 4 March 2004

**Table 2. Meta-analysis of the effect of steroids on mortality in adults with bacterial meningitis**

	Mortality rate (%)		Relative risk	95% CI
	Dexamethasone	Placebo		
Bennett <sup>13</sup>	16/38 (42)	22/47 (47)	0.9	0.56–1.46
Girgis <sup>15</sup>	5/68 (7)	18/79 (23)	0.3	0.13–0.82
Bhaumik <sup>16</sup>	1/14 (7)	3/16 (19)	0.3	0.04–3.36
Thomas <sup>17</sup>	3/31 (10)	5/29 (17)	0.6	0.15–2.14
De Gans <sup>7</sup>	11/157 (7)	21/144 (15)	0.4	0.24–0.96
Meta-analysis	36/308 (12)	69/315 (22)	0.6*	0.40–0.81

\*p=0.002

**Table 3. Meta-analysis of the effect of steroids on neurological sequelae in adults with bacterial meningitis**

	Rate neurological sequelae (%)		Relative risk	95% CI
	Dexamethasone	Placebo		
Bennett <sup>13</sup>	NS	NS	..	..
Girgis <sup>15</sup>	NS	NS	..	..
Bhaumik <sup>16</sup>	3/13 (23)	2/13 (15)	1.5	0.30–7.55
Thomas <sup>17</sup>	5/28 (18)	9/24 (38)	0.5	0.18–1.23
De Gans <sup>7</sup>	18/143 (13)	24/119 (20)	0.6	0.36–1.09
Meta-analysis	26/184 (14)	35/156 (22)	0.6*	0.40–1.00

\*p=0.05. NS=not stated.





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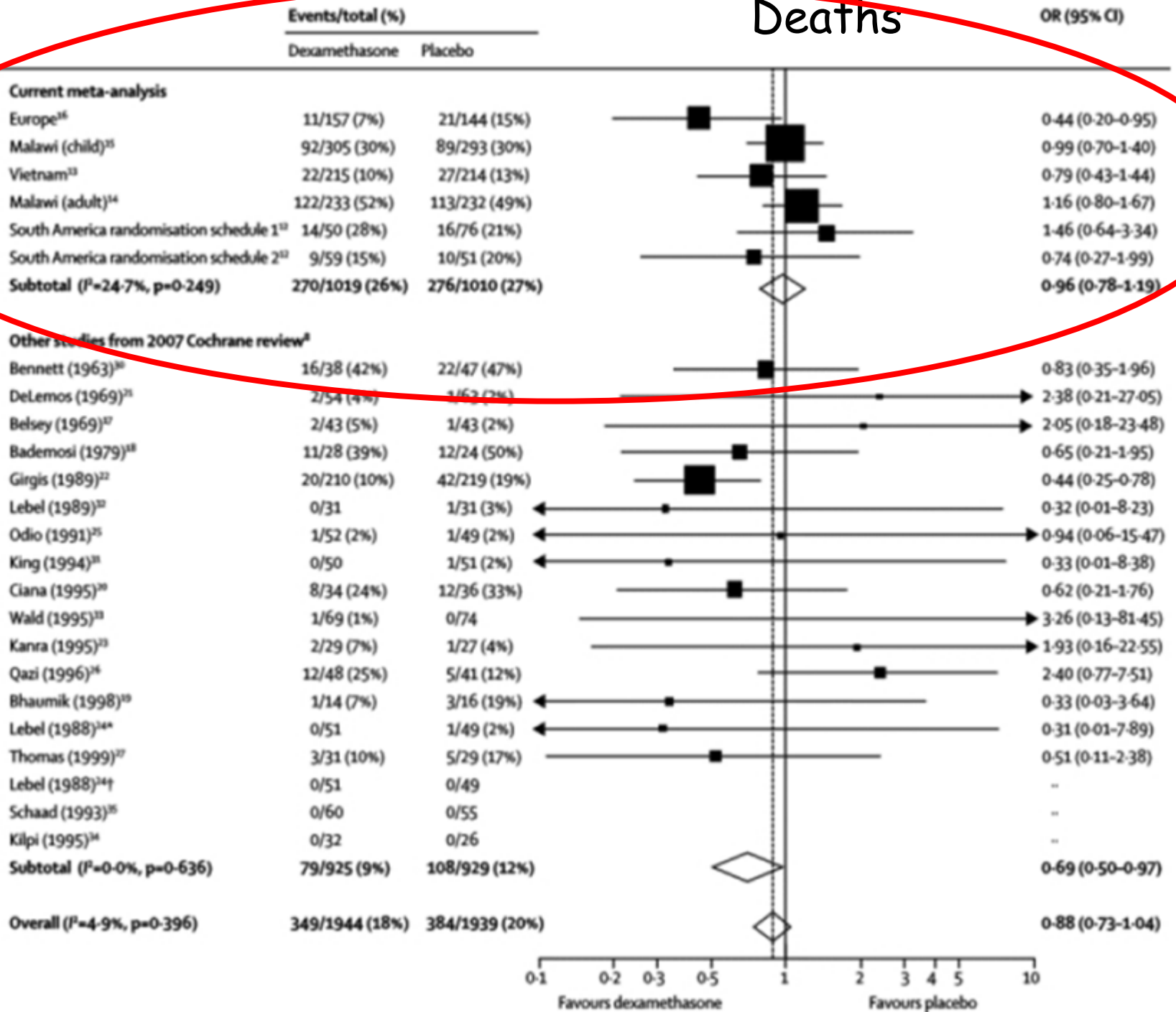
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## **Adjunctive dexamethasone in bacterial meningitis: a meta-analysis of individual patient data**

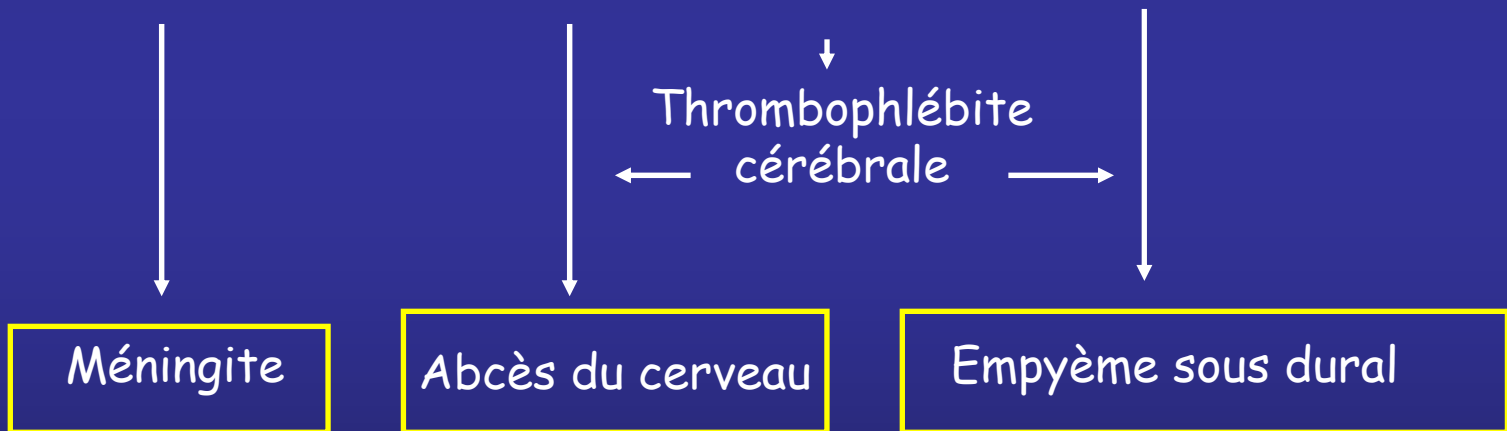
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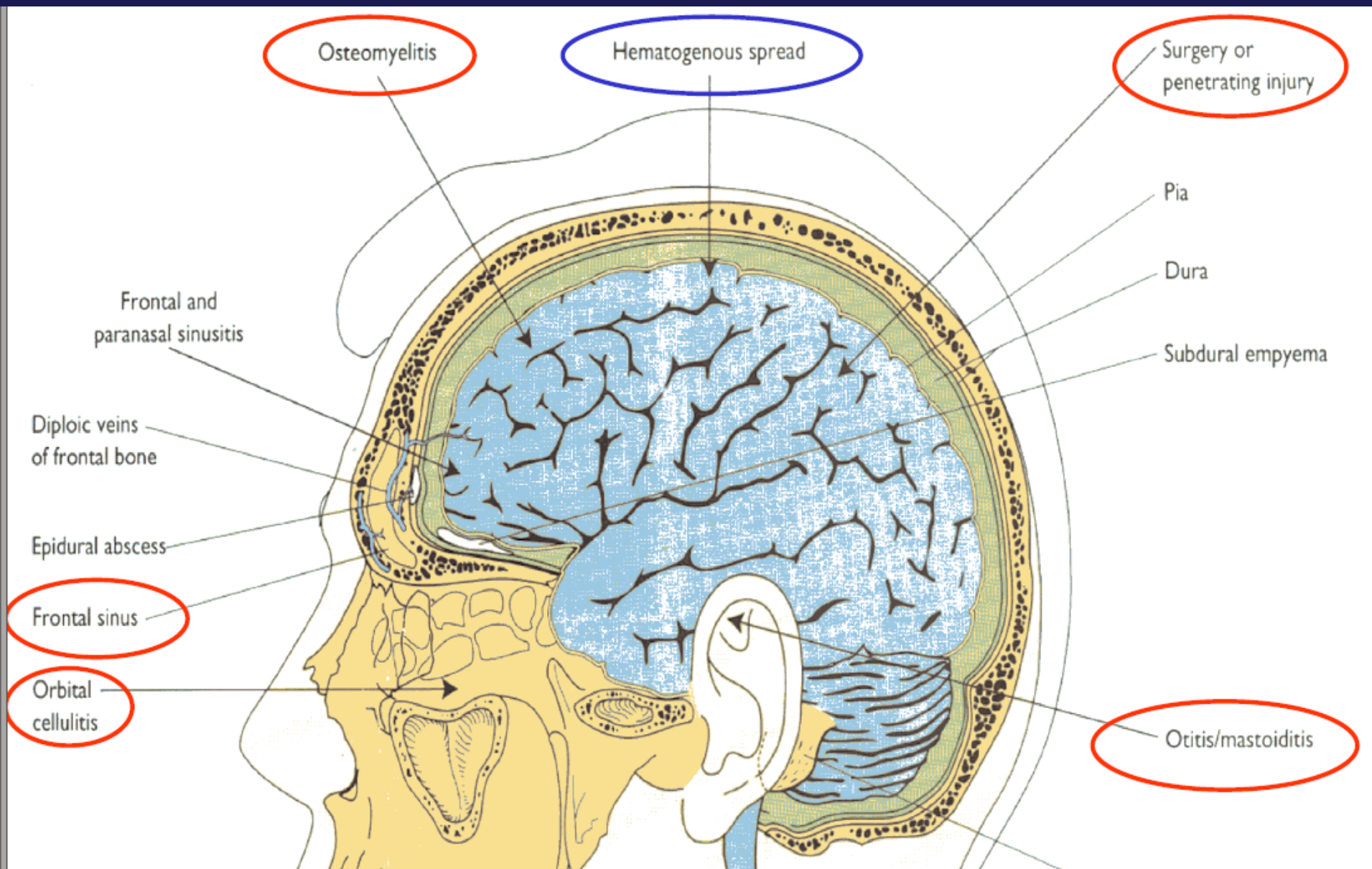
# Deaths





# Infection ORL et infection du SNC





Osteomyelitis

Hematogenous spread

Surgery or penetrating injury

Frontal and paranasal sinusitis

Pia

Dura

Subdural empyema

Diploic veins of frontal bone

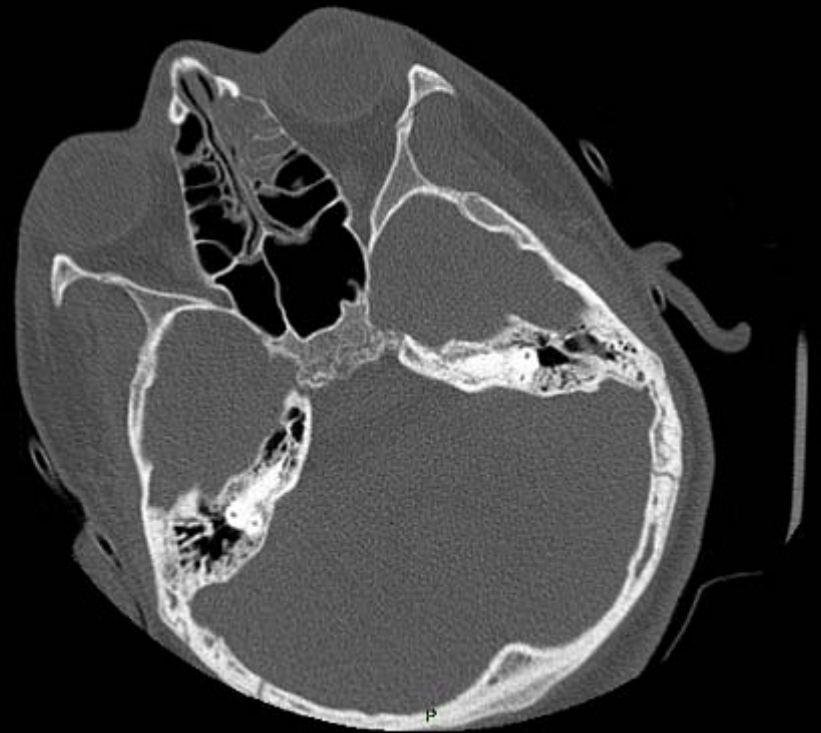
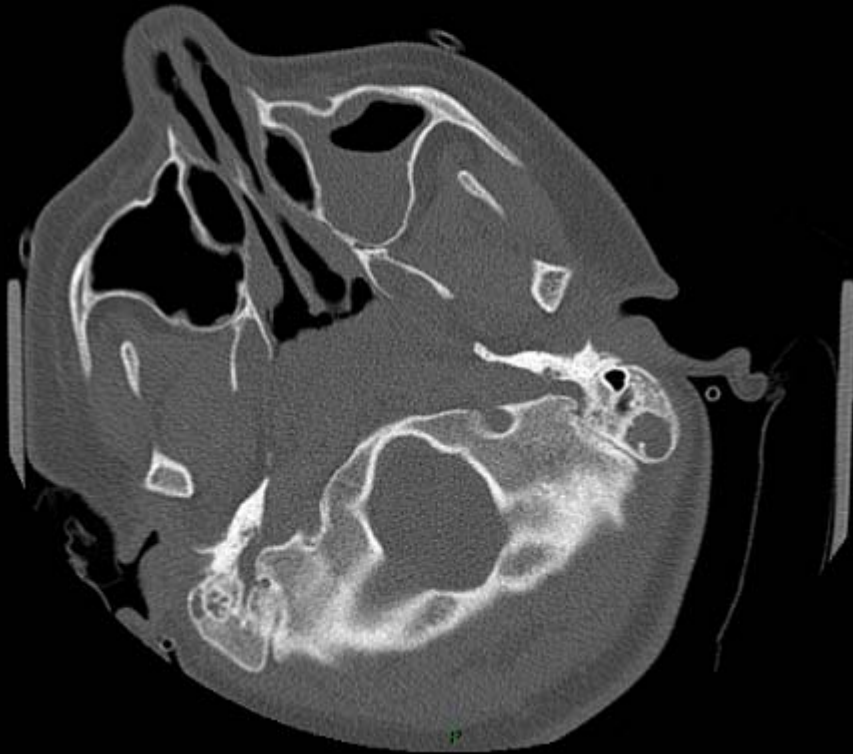
Epidural abscess

Frontal sinus

Orbital cellulitis

Otitis/mastoiditis

Garçon de 13 ans : Syndrome méningé fébrile, signes généraux, ptosis de l'œil gauche avec œdème palpébral, méningite puriforme, TDM sans injection: normale



# IRM

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# Empyeme sous dural

Ne pas rater le diagnostic !

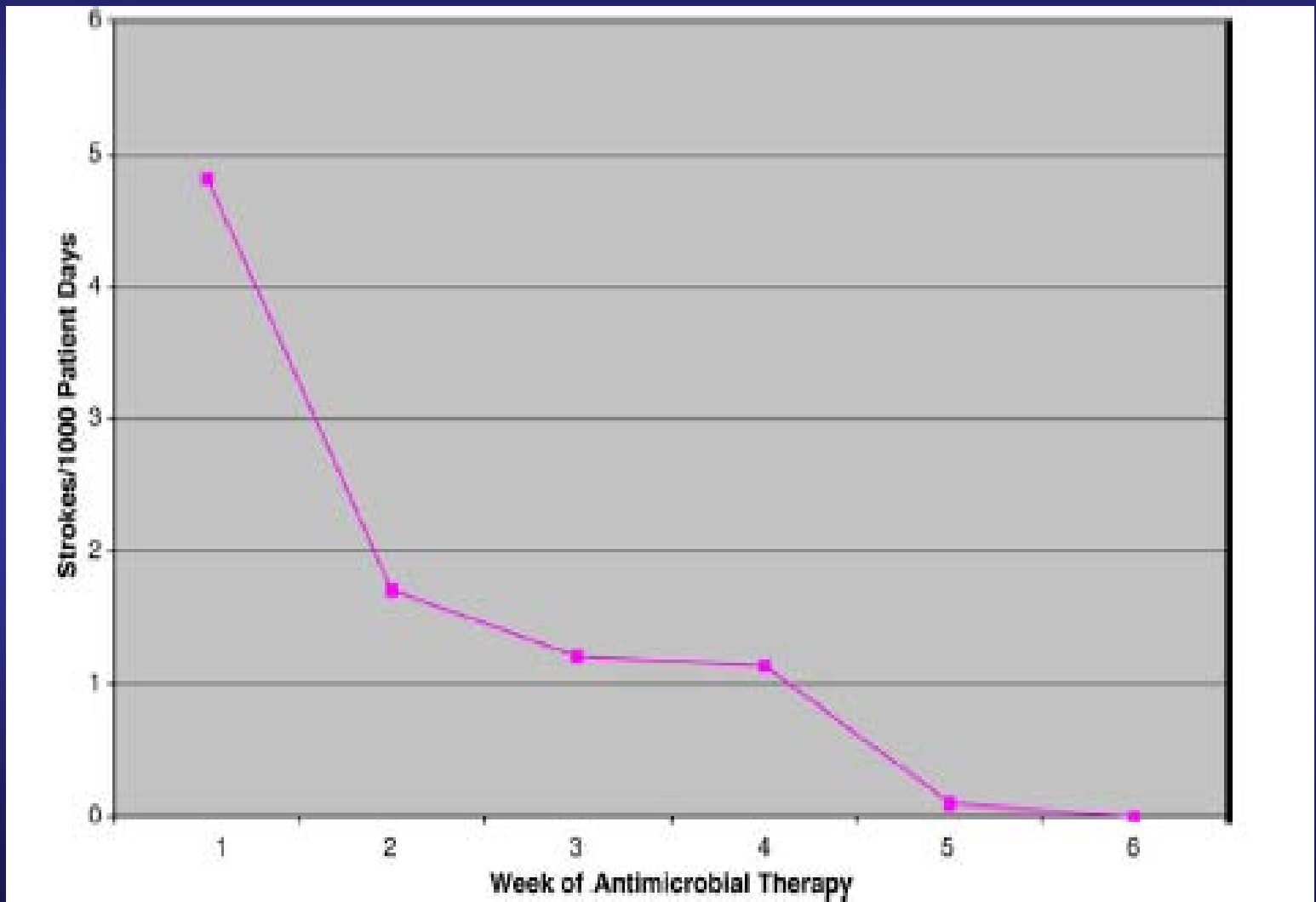
- ❑ Le plus souvent complique une infection ORL
- ❑ Toujours associé avec une thrombophlébite
- ❑ Rôle de l'IRM (attention aux empyèmes iso-denses en TDM)
- ❑ Germes: streptocoques, anaérobies (+/- *S. aureus*)
- ❑ Traitement: antibiotiques et chirurgie



# Complications neurologiques des endocardites: 6 points clés

- ❑ Cause fréquente d'admission en réanimation des EI
- ❑ Précoces, le plus souvent avant l'antibiothérapie
- ❑ Fréquemment associées avec *S. aureus*
- ❑ Complique le recours à la chirurgie cardiaque
- ❑ Peuvent nécessiter une prise en charge spécifique
- ❑ Pronostic médiocre

# Stroke incidence in IE after antibiotic therapy



Dickerman et al AHJ 2007  
Stroke rate after initiation of antimicrobial therapy.

# Endocardite à évoquer

- ❑ Accident neurologique ischémique fébrile
- ❑ Accident neurologique hémorragique fébrile
- ❑ Méningite à *S. aureus*
- ❑ Abscès du cerveau

# Complications neurologiques des endocardites (198 patients\*/236 complications)

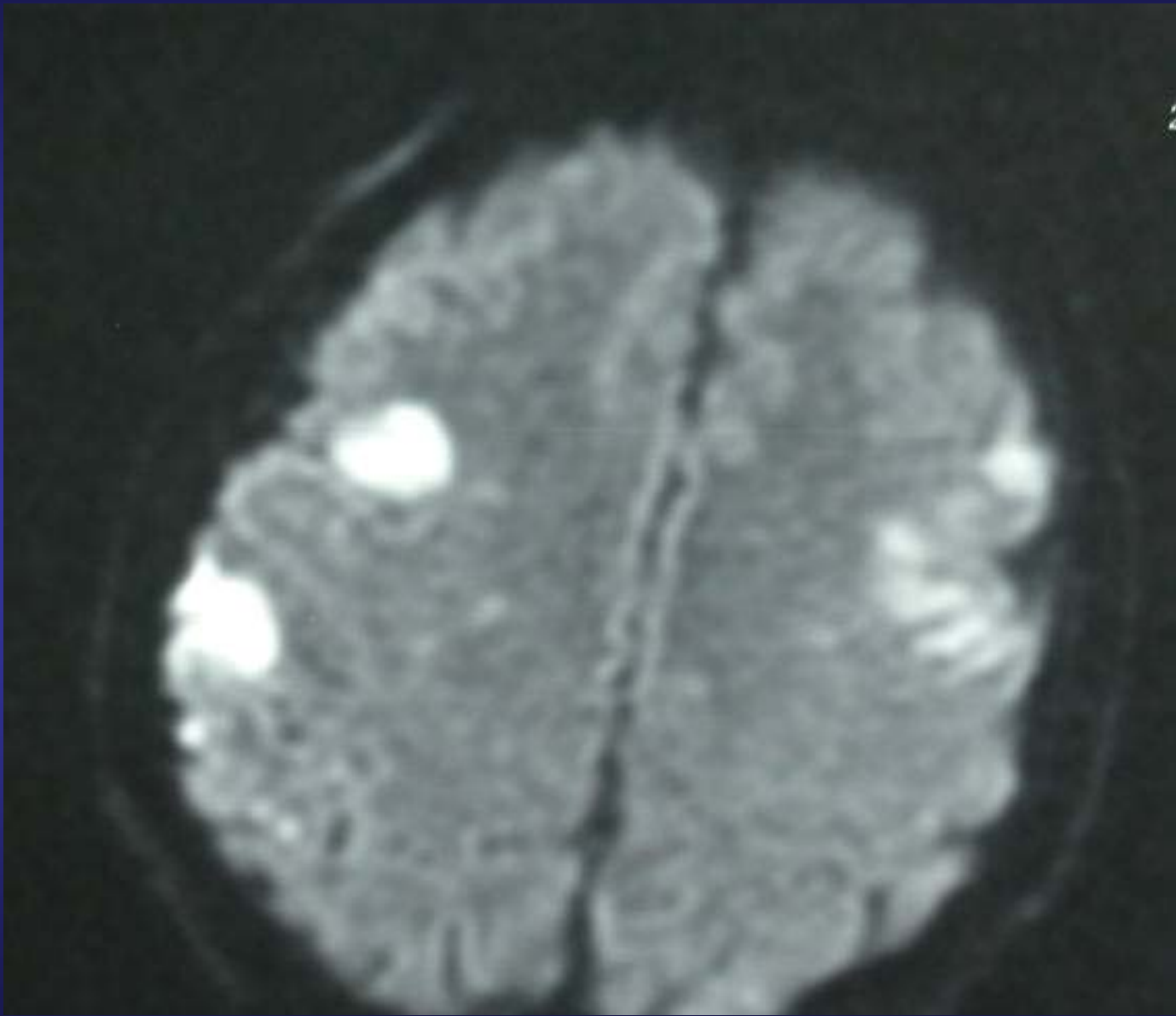
Complications	n
Ischémie	79
Hémorragie	53
Meningite	41
Abcès du cerveau	14
Anévrisme mycotique	10
Encéphalopathie	39

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\*En réanimation

*Sonneville R et al. soumis*





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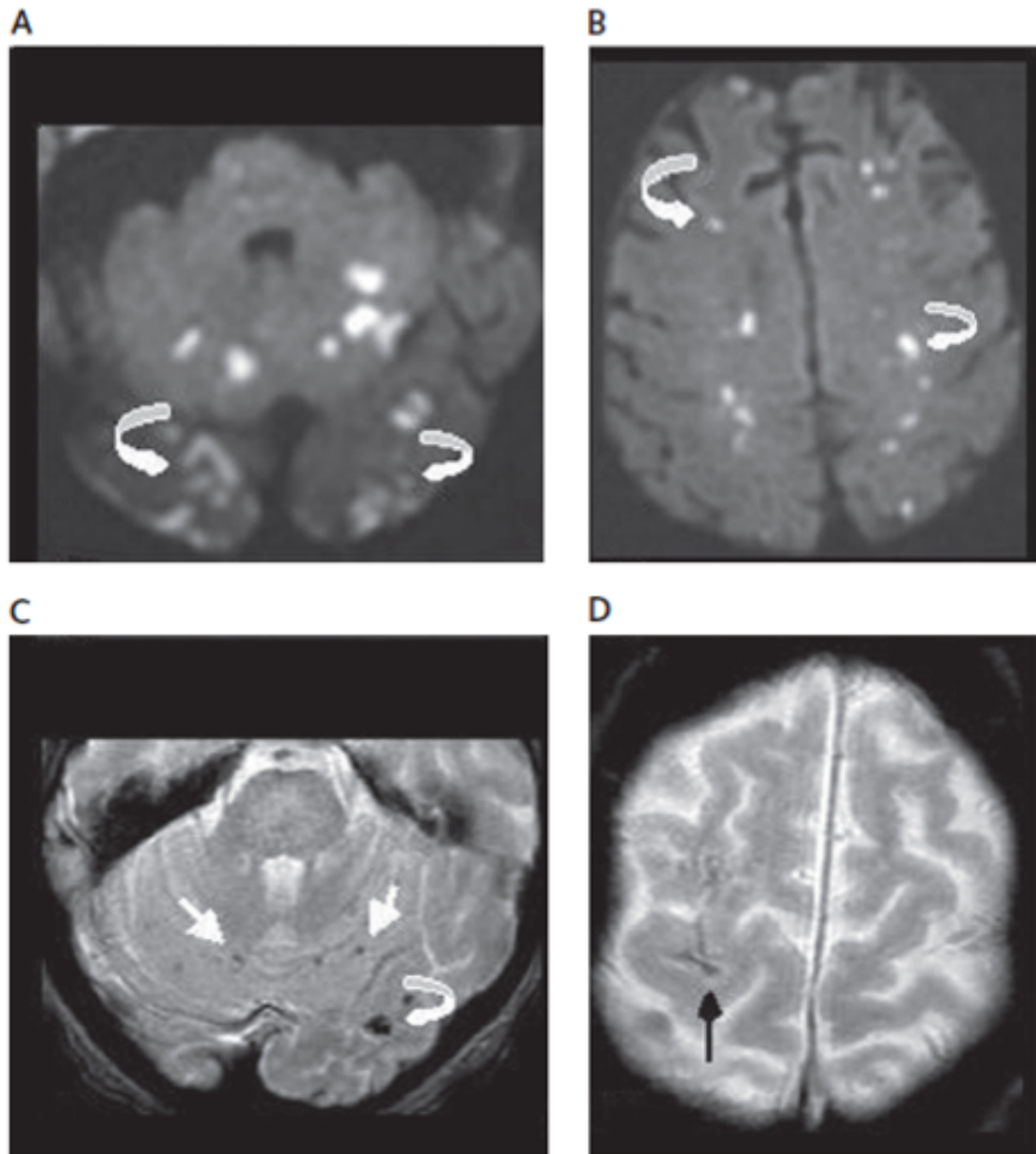
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Figure 2. Infarcts and microhemorrhages.



# Acute encephalitis management a challenge

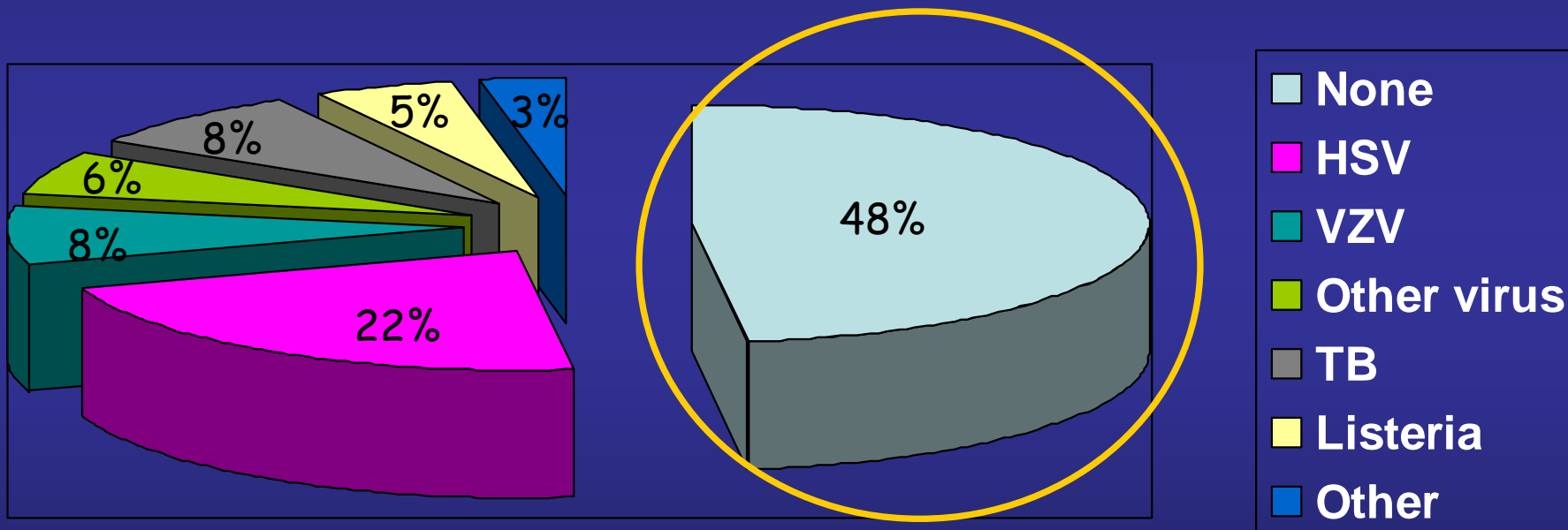
- ❑ « An inflammatory process of the brain in association with clinical evidence of neurologic dysfunction »\*
- ❑ Wide variety of pathogens (virus, bacteria, fungi, parasites)
- ❑ Many cases without an identified etiology
- ❑ Infectious or post-infectious ?
- ❑ Noninfectious CNS diseases may mimic viral encephalitis
- ❑ Specific antiviral therapy mostly limited to herpesviruses.

\* IDSA 2008

# Les étapes clés pour un diagnostic

- Connaître les diagnostics les plus fréquents
- Conditions épidémiologiques (voyages, contacts animaux...)
- Mode de début, durée d'évolution
- Nature de l'atteinte neurologique: clinique et surtout données de l'imagerie (TDM et IRM+++)
- Anomalies du LCR
- Signes extra-neurologiques
- Outils microbiologiques (PCR, sérologies)
- Rarement la biopsie cérébrale

# Causes of encephalitis



French National Encephalitis Project

CID 2009

# The Management of Encephalitis: Clinical Practice Guidelines by the Infectious Diseases Society of America

63 recommendations

**Allan R. Tunkel,<sup>1</sup> Carol A. Glaser,<sup>2</sup> Karen C. Bloch,<sup>3</sup> James J. Sejvar,<sup>4</sup> Christina M. Marra,<sup>5</sup> Karen L. Roos,<sup>6</sup> Barry J. Hartman,<sup>7</sup> Sheldon L. Kaplan,<sup>8</sup> W. Michael Scheld,<sup>9</sup> and Richard J. Whitley<sup>10</sup>**

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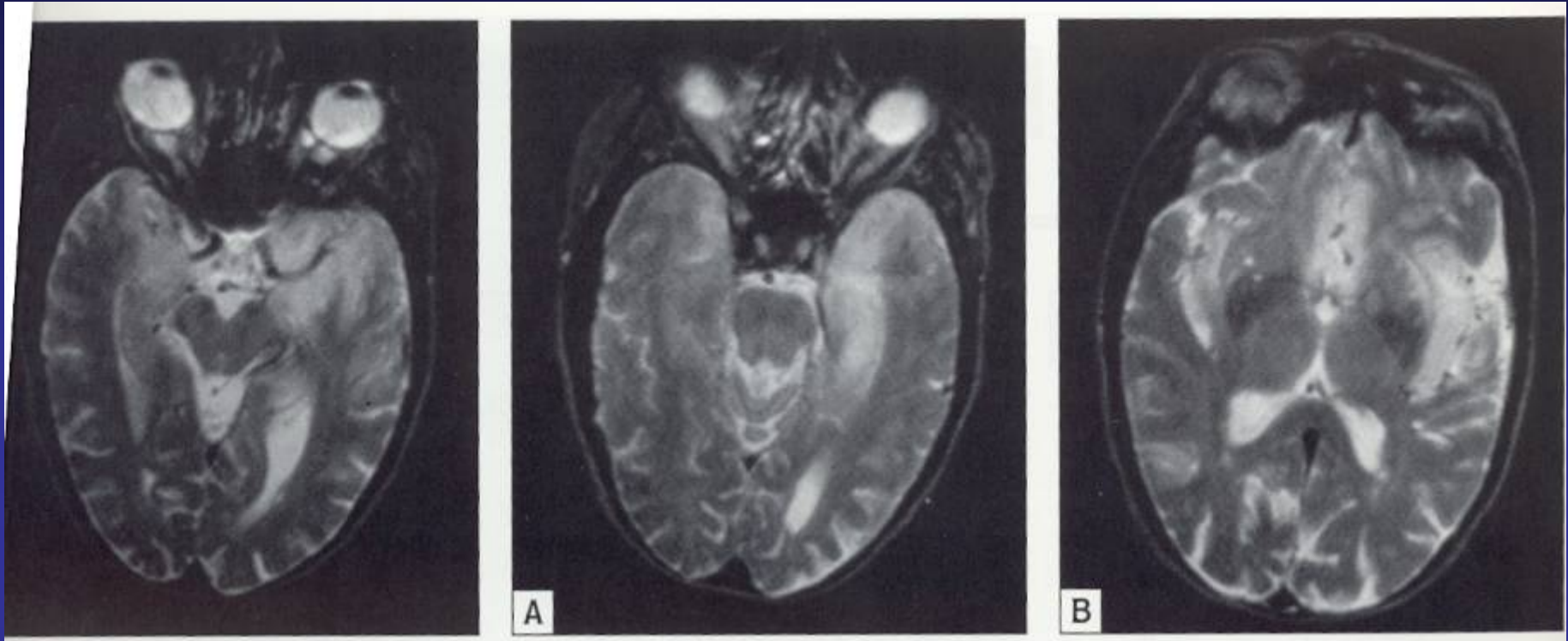
CID 2008; 47: 303

# Selected recommendations

N°11: " MRI is the most sensitive neuroimaging test to evaluate patients with encephalitis" (A-I).

# Magnetic resonance imaging

- ❑ MRI is more sensitive and specific (vs. CT)
- ❑ Diffusion-weighted/FLAIR imaging is superior to conventional MRI for the detection of early signal abnormalities (HSV, enterovirus, West-Nile)
- ❑ Some characteristic neuroimaging patterns have been observed in patients with encephalitis caused by specific agents (HSV, flavivirus, enterovirus)
- ❑ ADEM



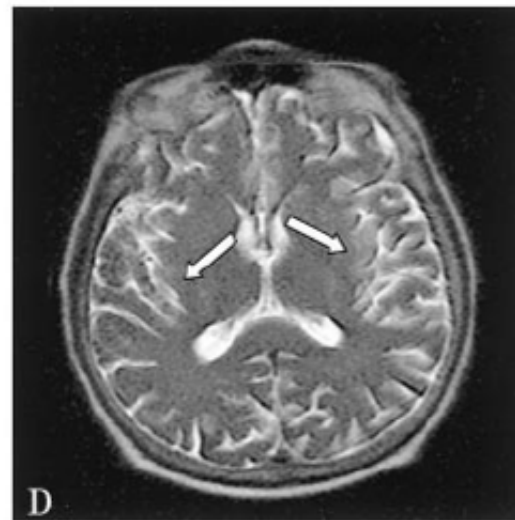
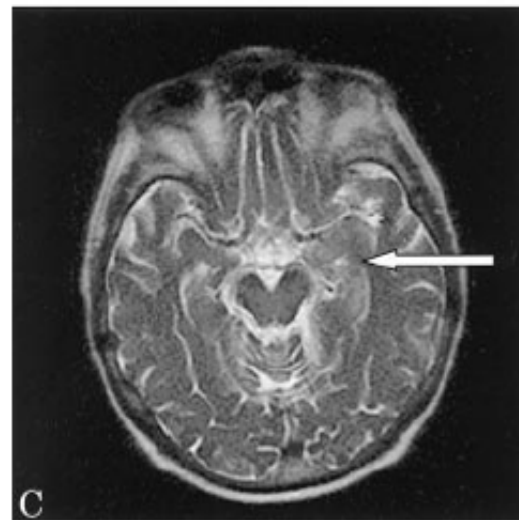
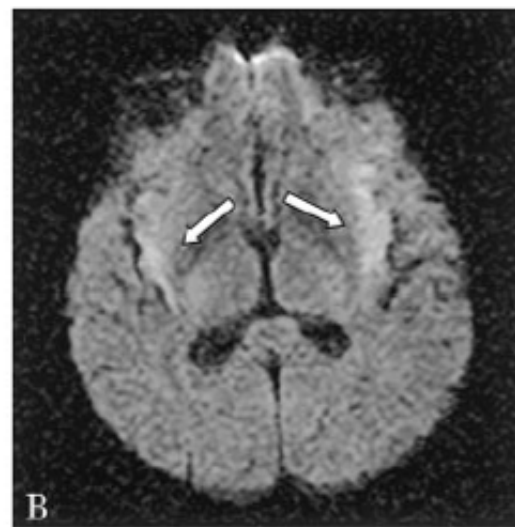
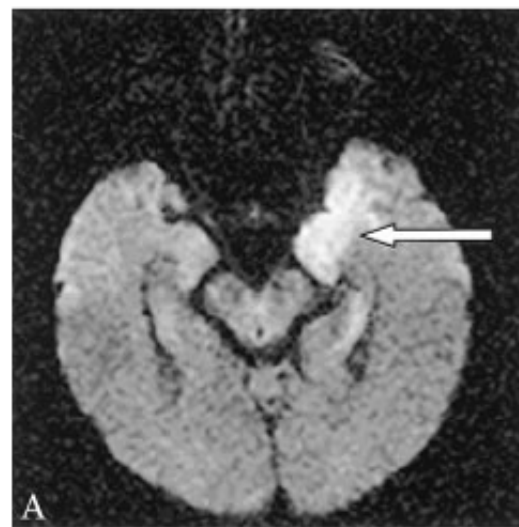
*Herpes simplex encephalitis*



# Diffusion-weighted MRI abnormalities as a clue to the diagnosis of herpes simplex encephalitis

*Kenneth McCabe, MD; Ken Tyler, MD, FAAN; and Jody Tanabe, MD*

Neurology 2003

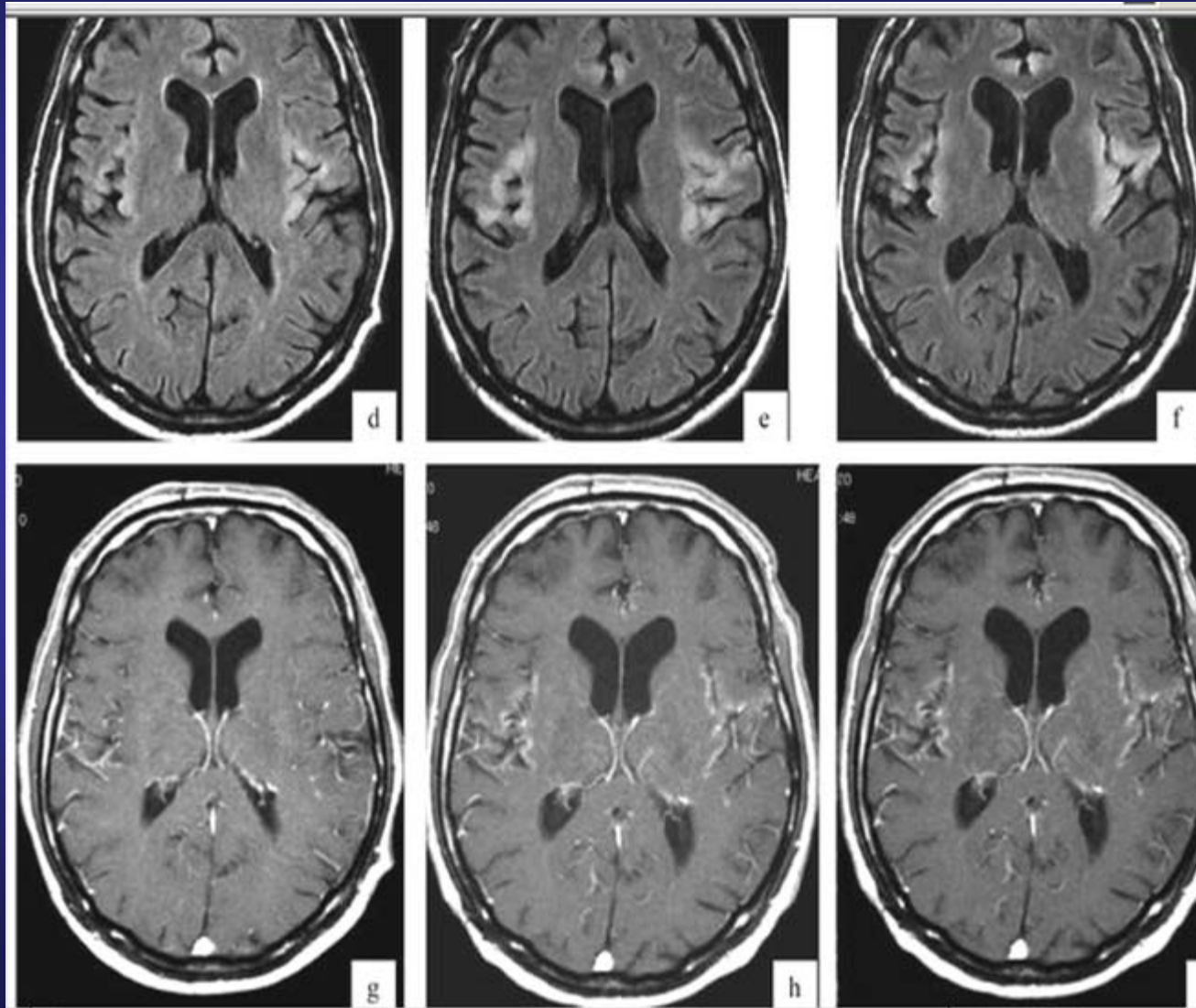


# HSV1 encephalitis: Flair

40h

D9

D19



# Selected recommendations

N°21: "Acyclovir should be initiated in all patients with suspected encephalitis, pending results of diagnosis (A-III)"

N°24: Herpes simplex virus: ACV is recommended (A-I)

# HSV1 encephalitis: adverse outcome at 6-month: 84 adults

Variables	OR	CI95%	p
SAPS 2 > 27	3,7	1,3-10,6	0,014
Admission-ACV			
> 2 days	3,1	1,1-9,1	0,037

# Multivariate analysis of factors associated with late initiation of ACV

- 184 adults, médian age: 60 y (17-91), males: 55%
- ACV delay > 1 day after hospital admission : 68 (37%)

Variables	OR	CI95%
Knaus $\geq$ 3	4,1	1,5-11,7
Chronic alcohol consumption	3,4	1,3-8,9
CSF leucocytes < 10/mm <sup>3</sup>	2,5	0,7-5,8
Time to CT/MRI after hospital admission > 1 d	8,4	3,9-18

# Selected recommendations

N°21: "Acyclovir should be initiated in all patients with suspected encephalitis, pending results of diagnosis (A-III)"

N°24: "Herpes simplex virus: ACV is recommended (A-I)"

- Dosage: 10mg/kg/8h; 20mg/kg/8h in neonates could be better. Adults ???

- Duration: 14-21 days

# PCR et encéphalites

17. Nucleic acid amplification tests (such as PCR) should be performed on CSF specimens to identify certain etiologic agents in patients with encephalitis (table 5) (A-III). Although a positive test result is helpful in diagnosing infection caused by a specific pathogen, a negative result cannot be used as definitive evidence against the diagnosis.

PCR sur sites extra-neurologiques  
voies respiratoires, urines, peau....

# PCR HSV

	Biopsie ⊕	Biopsie -
PCR ⊕	53	3
PCR -	1	44

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Se: 98%, Sp: 94%, VPPP: 95%, VPN: 98%

Lakeman et al. JID 1995



# Impact de la PCR rapide (3h) entérovirus (EV)

442 patients



69 méningites à EV (53 enfants, 16 adultes)



Arrêt des antibiotiques: 50-60%

Arrêt de l'acyclovir (EV+/HSV-): 62%

# PCR HSV1: faux négatifs précoces

Age (ans)	1er signes - PL1 (Jours)	PCR1	PCR2	PL1-PL2 (Jours)
10	3	-	+	4
37	2	-	+	7
78	1	-	+	4

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Weil *et al.* CID 2002; 34: 1154-1157

# PCR HSV initiale négative

- Un certain nombre d'observations rapportées (*Akhan Infection 2001, Weil CID 2002, Mc Cabe Neurology 2003, De Tiege X CID 2003, Tyler HERPES 2004, Boivin HERPES 2004, Kennedy J Neurol 2005, Whitley Antiviral Res 2006, Espy Clin Microbiol Rev 2006, Kimberlin HERPES 2007*)
- Le plus souvent LCR précocement / 1ers signes neurologiques ou LCR peu inflammatoire.

- 8 PCR initiales (avant J3) négatives sur 33 enfants
- Association avec  $< 10 \text{ GB/mm}^3$  et protéinorachie normale

*De Tiège X et al. CID 2003*

# Selected recommendations

N°17: " In patients with encephalitis who have a negative herpes simplex PCR result, consideration should be given to repeating the test 3-7 days later in those with a compatible clinical syndrome or temporal lobe localization on neuroimaging (B-III). **In this instance, a negative CSF PCR result may allow discontinuation of aciclovir therapy"**

Ann Neurol. 2010 Jun;67(6):830-3.

## Acyclovir resistance in herpes simplex encephalitis.

Schulte EC et al.

### Abstract

...We report the case of a 27-year-old, immunocompetent woman with acyclovir-resistant herpes simplex encephalitis. Although she had not been treated before, herpes simplex virus type 1 DNA from the cerebrospinal fluid showed a non-synonymous mutation in the thymidine kinase gene, which is likely to have caused resistance to acyclovir. Herpes simplex encephalitis resolved after treatment with foscarnet. To our knowledge, this is the first report of acyclovir-resistant herpes simplex virus encephalitis in an immunocompetent, previously therapy-naive adult

# Selected recommendations

Do not miss ADEM !

N°3: In patients with encephalitis and a history of recent infectious illness or vaccination, the diagnosis of ADEM should be considered (B-III).

N°63: ADEM: high-dose corticosteroids are recommended (B-III); alternatives include plasma exchange (B-III) and IV Ig (C-III)

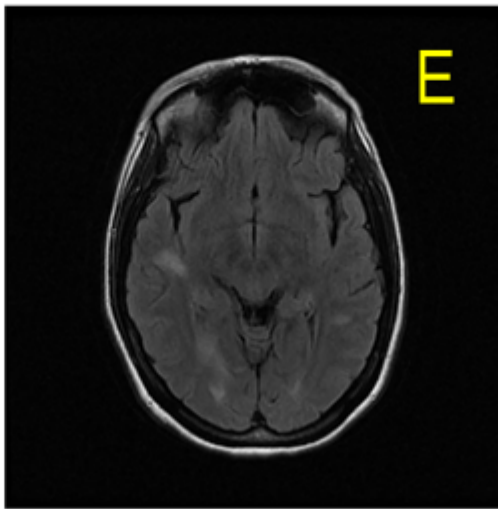
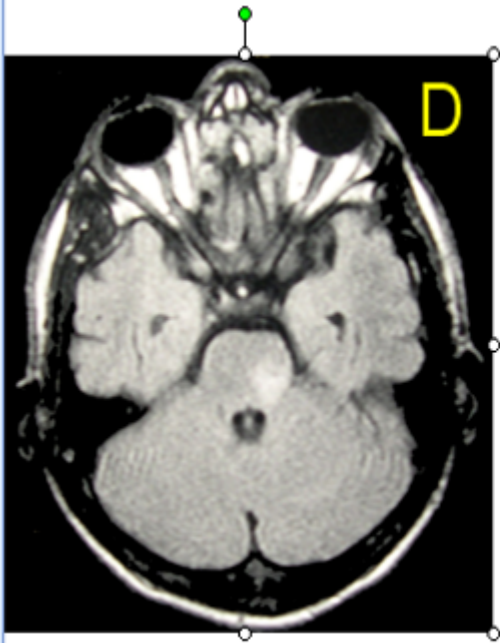
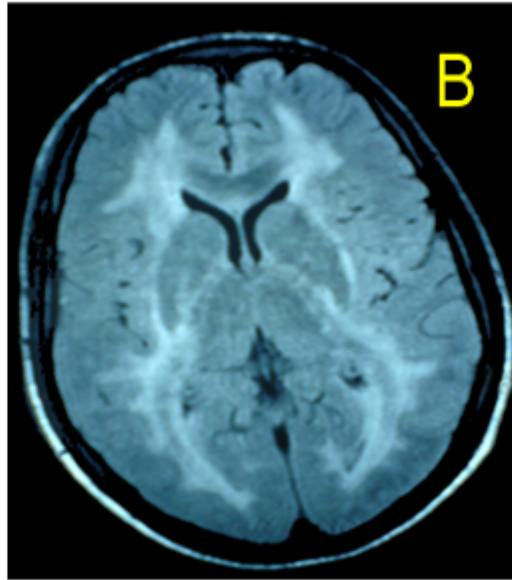
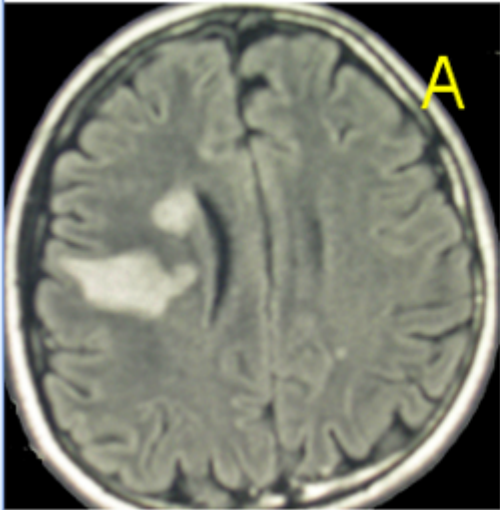
# ADEM in 20 adult patients

Parameter	n
Age, y	37 (27-51)
Female n (%)	11 (55)
Preceding infectious disease	14 (70)
Latency period, days	8 (6-14)
Temperature, °C	39 (38-39)
GCS	7 (4-13)
Mechanical ventilation, n (%)	14 (70)
Seizures	6 (30)
Motor deficit	17 (85)
Spinal cord symptoms	11 (55)

# ADEM in 20 adult patients

CSF cells, $n/mm^3$	90 (60–378)
CSF predominance of neutrophils, $n$ (%)	5 (25)
CSF protein, g/l	1.3 (0.5–1.9)





# ADEM in 20 adult patients

Time between ICU admission and steroid administration, days	3 (1–9)
Steroid dose, g	10 (6–10)
IVIg, <i>n</i> (%)	6 (30)
Duration of MV, days	26 (10–36)
Length of ICU stay, days	19 (13–36)

# Infections graves du système nerveux central

- ❑ Une démarche clinique rigoureuse
- ❑ Suivie par une stratégie initiale de diagnostic et de traitement permettant de situer la place respective et la séquences des examens, notamment radiologiques
- ❑ Des performances accrues de l'imagerie et de la biologie moléculaire
- ❑ Un pronostic encore médiocre