

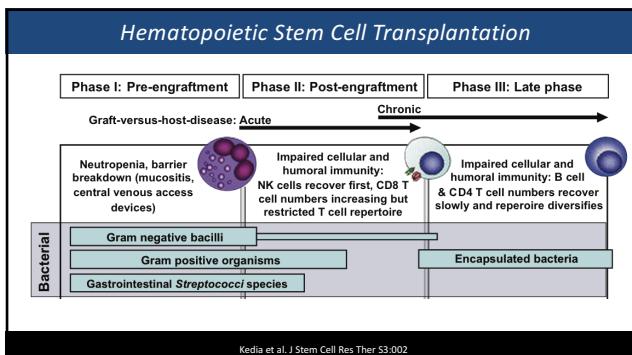

Post-HSCT Complications:
Bacterial Infections

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Risk Assessment

- Type of graft
 - Allogeneic >> autologous
- Source of stem cells
 - Cord blood >> unrelated/mismatched donor >> related/matched donor
- Conditioning
 - Myeloablative >> non-myeloablative
- GVHD

Kedia et al. J Stem Cell Res Ther 53:002

Essential Prevention Measures

- Effective hand hygiene
- Standard barrier precautions
- Exclude HCW with acute illness
- Single rooms
- High rate air exchange + HEPA

Freifeld et al. Clin Infect Dis 2011;52(4):e56-e93

Prophylactic Antibiotics

- High risk patients only
- Ciprofloxacin or levofloxacin
- Addition of a gram-positive active agent to fluoroquinolone prophylaxis is generally not recommended

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Febrile Neutropenia

- Neutropenia: ANC < 500/mL
- T ≥38.3 (or ≥38.5°C) once or ≥38.0°C over 1 or 2 hours
- Up to 80% of patients with hematologic malignancies
- Clinically documented infections occur in 20-30% of febrile episodes
- Bacteremia occurs in 10-25%

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FN: Risk Assessment

- Neutropenia > 7 days
- Significant co-morbidities
- Hypotension
- Pneumonia
- GI symptoms
- CNS change

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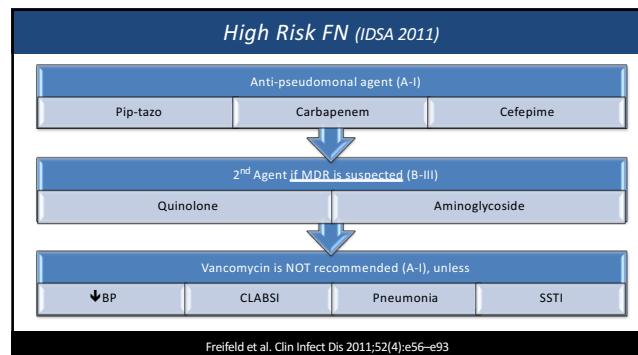
FN: Management

- Clinical assessment
- Microbiology
- Radiology
- Antimicrobials

History and physical examination
Previous colonization/infections Biomarkers
Past and new
Prophylaxis Empiric therapy Targeted therapy

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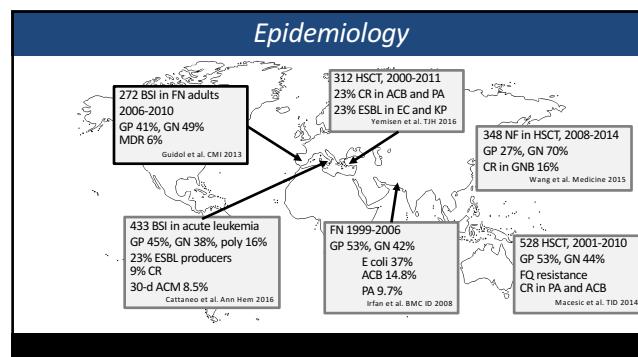
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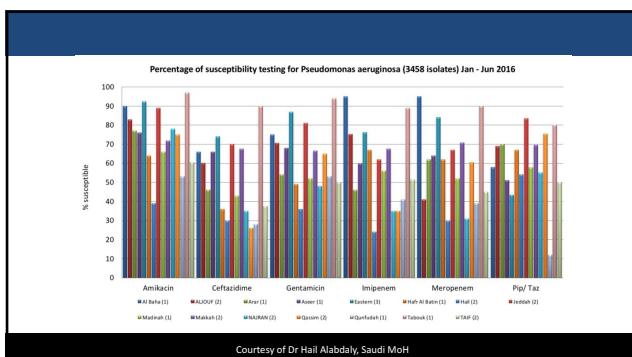
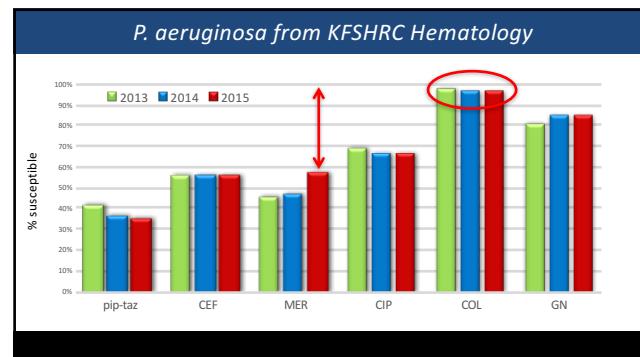
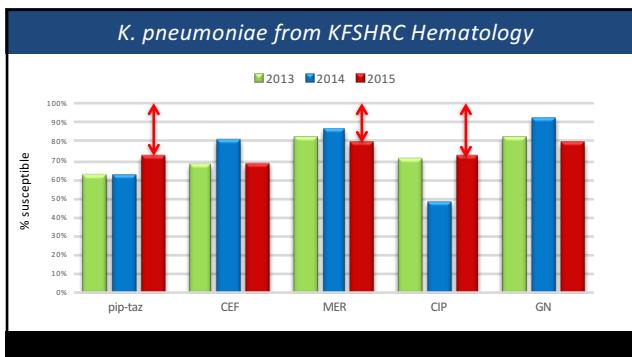


High Risk FN (ECIL-4)

Cefepime, ceftazidime Piperacillin-tazobactam Ticarcillin-clavulanate Cefoperazone-sulbactam Piperacillin + gentamicin	A-I
Carbapenem	B-II
Anti-pseudomonal BL + AG or FQ Colistin + β-lactam ± rifampicin	B-III

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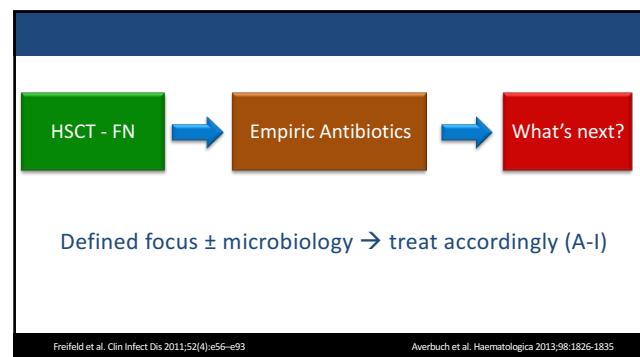
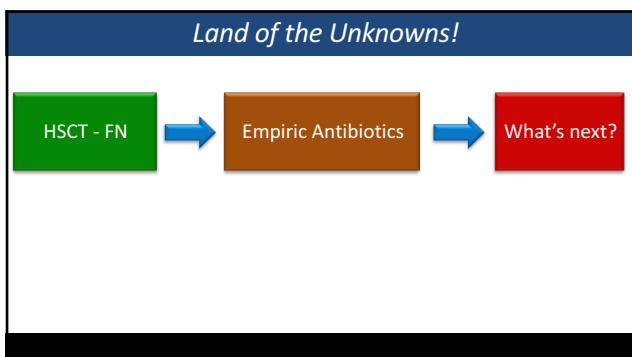


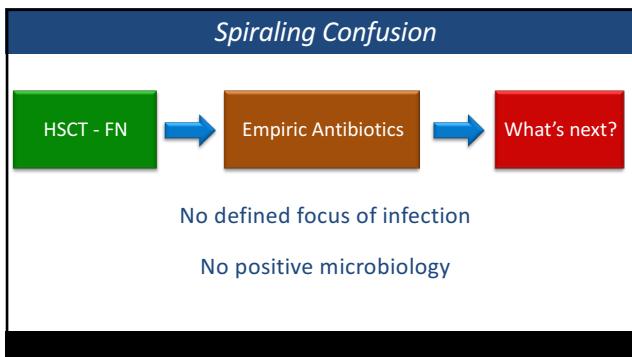
High Risk FN (IDSA & ECIL-4)

- Initial empirical therapy should be modified if the patient is at risk for MDR infection (B-III)
 - Previous infection or colonization
 - Hospital epidemiology

MRSA	vancomycin, linezolid or daptomycin (B-III)
VRE	linezolid or daptomycin (B-III)
ESBL-producers	carbapenems (B-III)
CRE	colistin or tigecycline (C-III)

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- Persistent FN**
- More clinical evaluation
 - More investigations
 - ?add/switch antibiotics → spiraling empiricism
 - ?non-infectious etiologies

Neutropenia + Febrile

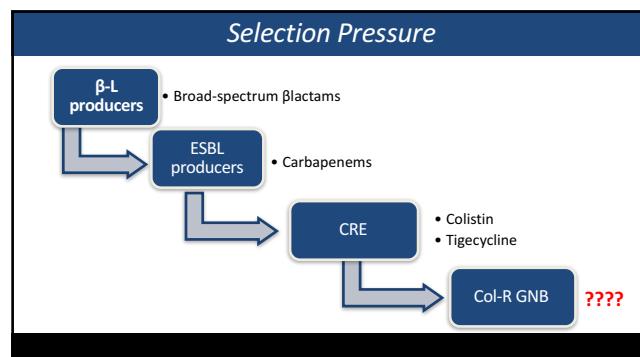
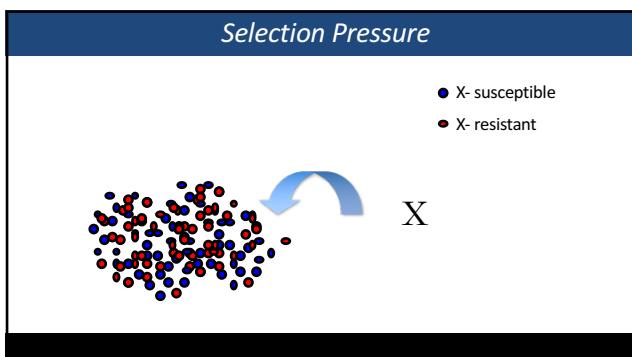
"Patients who remain hemodynamically unstable after initial doses with standard agents for NF should have their antimicrobial regimen broadened to include coverage for resistant gram-negative, gram-positive, and anaerobic bacteria and fungi (A-III)"

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"Unexplained persistent fever in a patient whose condition is otherwise stable rarely requires an empirical change to the initial antibiotic regimen"

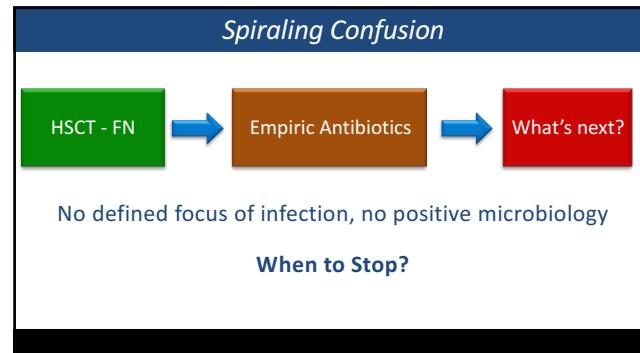
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Micro Reports	Susceptibilities	Specimen	Action List		
	A	B	C	D	E
1 Klebsiella pneumoniae	MIC ₅₀	MINT	ED ₅₀ /L	ENT	
2					
3 Ampicillin	>=32	R			
4 Amoxicillin/Clavulanic	>=32	R			
5 Cefazolin/“A”	>=32	R			
6 Cephakot	>=64	R			
7 Cefazime		R			
8 Cefuroxime	>=64	R			
9 Ceftriaxone	>=64	R			
10 Cefotaxime	>=64	R			
11 Cetegene	>=64	R			
12 Ciprofloxacin	>=4	R			
13 Cisplatin	>=16	R			
14 Doxycycline	>=64	R			
15 Erythromycin		R			
16 Fosfomycin	>=16	R			
17 Imipenem	>=16	R			
18 Meropenem	>=256	R			
19 Tazobactam/Piperacilline/Tazobactam	>=256	R			
20 Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae*	Identified		1024	R	
21 Cefoperazone					
22 Aztreonam	>=64	R			
23 Cefotazone	2				
24 Nethrom		R			
25 Aztreonam/Cefotazone	>=32	R			
26 Cefotazone	>=64	R			
27 Minocycline	>=16	R			

K. pneumoniae

Quinolones	R
Aminoglycosides	R
Pip-tazo	R
Cephalosporins	R
Carbapenems	R
Colistin	R
Fosfomycin	R



Neutropenia + Afebrile (IDSA 2010)

- Documented infections/unexplained fever → antibiotics until ANC is > 500 cells/mm³ or longer if clinically necessary (**B-III/BII**)

ALTERNATIVELY

- Resolved infection + persistent neutropenia → resume oral prophylaxis (**C-III**)

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Neutropenia + Afebrile (ECIL4)

Empirical antibiotics can be discontinued:

- after ≥72h
- hemodynamically stable
- afebrile for ≥48h

irrespective of their neutrophil count or expected duration of neutropenia (BII)

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Conclusion: Post-HSCT Bacterial Infections

- Hand hygiene and standard IPC are essential
- Location, location, location!
- Prompt ACTION is essential

Post-HSCT Bacterial Infections

- PROMPT ACTION**
 - PROMPT assessment +
 - PROMPT therapy +
 - PROMPT rationalization +
 - PROMPT discontinuation of unnecessary therapy

