

# Epidemiologia, clinica e diagnosi delle polmoniti

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**BUON USO DEGLI ANTIBIOTICI NELL'ERA DELLE RESISTENZE**

**Come far sì che il miracolo continui**

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## Mr. C clinical case

- Mr. C is a 70 year old male who presents to the medical clinic where you work the day 15 January
- He is accompanied by his daughter
- Mr. C's daughter states that Mr. C has a bad cold with a cough and that he has been confused. He fell as he was getting dressed this morning
- Previous contact with a grandson with a cold

## Mr. C Past Medical History

- Coronary artery disease
- Recovering alcoholic
- Class I obesity (BMI 34 kg/m<sup>2</sup>)
- Depressive syndrome
- Vascular ulcer lower limb, wound care at hospital twice a week
- No recent immunisations

## Mr. C's physical assessment

- T 37.8. BP 138/70, HR 90 RR 34. pulse ox 90%
- Using accessory muscles to breath. Crackles in the left lower lobe
- He reports pain on inspiration

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indicative of suspected pneumonia  
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# Classification by site of origin

- **Hospital acquired pneumonia (HAP)** : acquired after at least 48 hours of admission to hospital
- **Health Care-associated Pneumonia (HCAP)** : 2005 ATS/IDSA Guidelines
  - hospitalized in an acute care hospital for two or more days within 90 days of the infection
  - resided in a nursing home or long-term care facility
  - received recent IV antibiotic therapy, chemotherapy, or wound care within the past 30 days of the current infection
  - attended a hospital or haemodialysis clinic
- **Community acquired pneumonia (CAP)**
- **HCAP** was thus expected to predict a higher frequency of Gram-negative and MDR bacteria  
>>different empirical antibiotic therapy to that for CAP



## However...HCAP : new avenue or just a cul-de-sac?

- Similar frequency and spectrum of causative pathogens in HCAP and CAP
- HCAP for the identification of pneumonia patients with a worse prognosis  
>>worse outcome related to patient factors
- **HCAP should not be used to direct empirical antibiotic therapy:**
  - opposite effect to that intended
  - promote the development of bacterial antibiotic resistance
- 2016 ATS/IDSA Guidelines on HAP/VAP: removal of the concept of HCAP
- Recommendations regarding coverage for MDR pathogens among CAP based on validated risk factors for MDR pathogens

# Overview on Community-acquired pneumonia (CAP)

CAP is a leading cause of hospitalization and death worldwide

- The annual estimated CAP burden in USA : 5 million cases
  - 80% of these cases are treated as outpatients (1% mortality)
  - 20–25% treated in the hospital setting (23% mortality)



# Why is Mr. C at increased risk for developing CAP?

Primary host factors [4 <sup>■</sup> ]	<u>Increasing age, male sex</u>
Modifiable risk factors [4 <sup>■</sup> ]	High alcohol intake >40 g/day, smoking, malnutrition/decreased body weight, low vitamin D levels [6]
Respiratory compromise [4 <sup>■</sup> ]	COPD, asthma, pulmonary malignancy, bronchial obstruction, preceding or concurrent viral respiratory infection, recent bronchoscopy, nasogastric tube placement within last year, ciliary dyskinesia [7]
Chronic medical conditions [4 <sup>■</sup> ]	<u>Heart disease</u> , cerebrovascular disease/stroke, dementia, dysphagia, diabetes, renal disease, liver disease, rheumatoid arthritis, epilepsy [8]
Immune suppression [4 <sup>■</sup> ]	TNF $\alpha$ inhibitors, HIV infection, asplenia
Medications	Proton pump inhibitors [9], oral or inhaled steroids [8], amiodarone [8], N-acetylcysteine [8], oxygen therapy [8], <u>benzodiazepines</u> [10], zopiclone [10]
Socioeconomic factors [4 <sup>■</sup> ,5]	Low-income household, crowded living conditions
Other [8]	Poor dental hygiene, contact with pets, <u>contact with children</u>

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- Using objective criteria to risk stratify & assist in decision re outpatient vs inpatient management
- PSI (pneumonia severity index)
- CURB-65
- Caveats
  - Other reasons to admit apart from risk of death
  - Not validated for ward vs ICU
  - Labs/vitals dynamic

# CURB-65

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# E.R.

Due to the baseline risk factors and clinical and physical assessment the patient is referred to the emergency room





# Laboratory and radiographic findings

- RADIOGRAPHIC FINDINGS



- LABORATORY FINDINGS

- WBC count: 13,500 cells/ $\mu$ L (with 82% polymorphonuclear cells and 11% band forms, lymphocytes 7%), platelets; 180,000 cells/mL
- CRP 223 mg/L
- AST 18 IU/L; ALT 23 IU/L
- Sodium 135 mEq/L; Potassium 4.2 mEq/L Chloride 99 mmol/L Calcium 8 mg/dL
- BUN 19 mg/dL Creatinine 1.9 mg/dL
- Glucose 116 mg/dL

## Which pathogen/s would you suspect?

1. Respiratory virus
2. *Staphylococcus aureus*
3. *Streptococcus pneumoniae*
4. *Legionella pneumophila*
5. All of the above

# Microbiology of CAP

- **Causative organism of CAP established**
  - 60% in research setting
  - 20% in clinical setting
- **“Typical”**
  - *S. pneumoniae*, *Haemophilus influenzae*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, Group A streptococci, *Moraxella catarrhalis*, anaerobes, and aerobic gram-negative bacteria
- **“Atypical”**
  - *Legionella* spp, *Mycoplasma pneumoniae*, *Chlamydophila* (formerly *Chlamydia*) *pneumoniae*, and *C. psittaci*
  - Mainly distinguished from typical by not being detectable on Gram stain or cultivable on standard media

## Major respiratory virus

Virus	Genome	Diversity
Rhinovirus	RNA	A, B, C, >100 types
Coronavirus	RNA	OC43, E229, HKU1, NL63
Influenza virus	RNA	A, B, C / H3N2, H1N1pdm
Respiratory syncytial virus	RNA	A and B
Parainfluenza virus	RNA	1, 2, 3 and 4
Metapneumovirus	RNA	A1, A2, B1, B2
Adenovirus	DNA	7 species, > 50 serotypes

# Diagnostic tests for CAP

- **Culture of respiratory tract specimens (sputum, tracheoaspirate, BAL):**
  - very low sensitivity for atypical bacteria and RV
- **Blood cultures**
  - yield 5-15% ; stronger indication for severe CAP
- **Direct fluorescent antibody (DFA) assay for atypical bacteria and RV**
  - suboptimal sensitivity
- **Serologic assays: antibodies to for atypical bacteria and RV**
  - fourfold rise in either IgM or IgG titer is needed to confirm active disease  
repeat 4-6 weeks later
- **S.pneumoniae and L. pneumophila urine antigen**
  - S.pneumoniae urine antigen: Sensitivity 60-75%, specificity : 95-99%
  - L. pneumophila urine antigen: Legionella serogroup 1-specific (80%) >>>>not useful for other serogroups
- **Molecular testing**

# The list of pathogens causing CAP is evolving

## Who seeks finds...

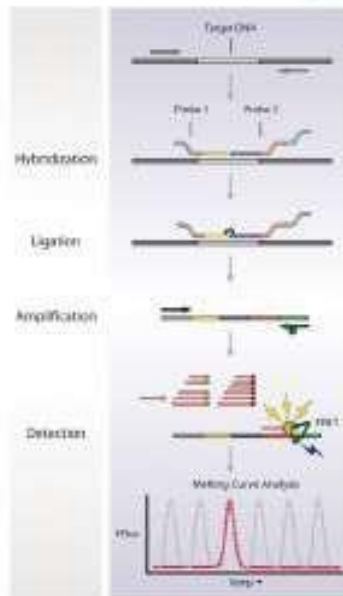
- Most patients do not have the CAP pathogen identified
  - effective antimicrobial agents available to treat CAP
  - lack of perceived need to know the pathogen, unless no response to empiric therapy
- Improvements in the sensitivity and availability of molecular testing influence understanding of the causes of CAP
- Better diagnostic tests
  - to reduce overall antibiotic use
  - to improve the targeted use of antibiotics

Some commercialized molecular multiplex assays for >3 pathogens  
(*M. pneumoniae*, *C. pneumoniae*, *L. pneumophila*, *B. pertussis*, resp. viruses)

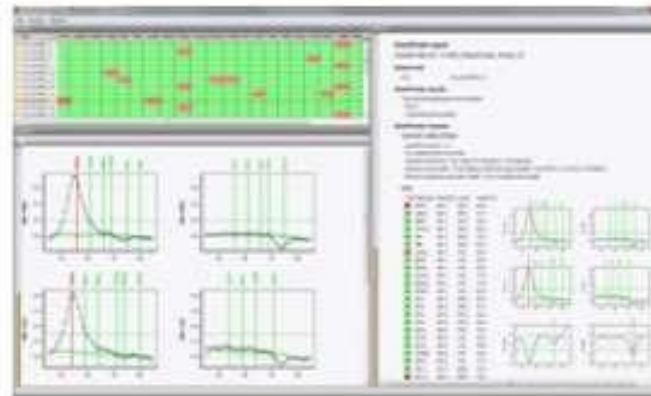
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Pathofinder



RespiFinder SMART 22 Fast



Mx RT amplification  
no sample prep  
melting curve analysis  
Up to 25 targets  
TAT 6 hr



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no sample prep  
melting curve analysis  
22 targets  
TAT 4 hr  
multiple samples/instrument

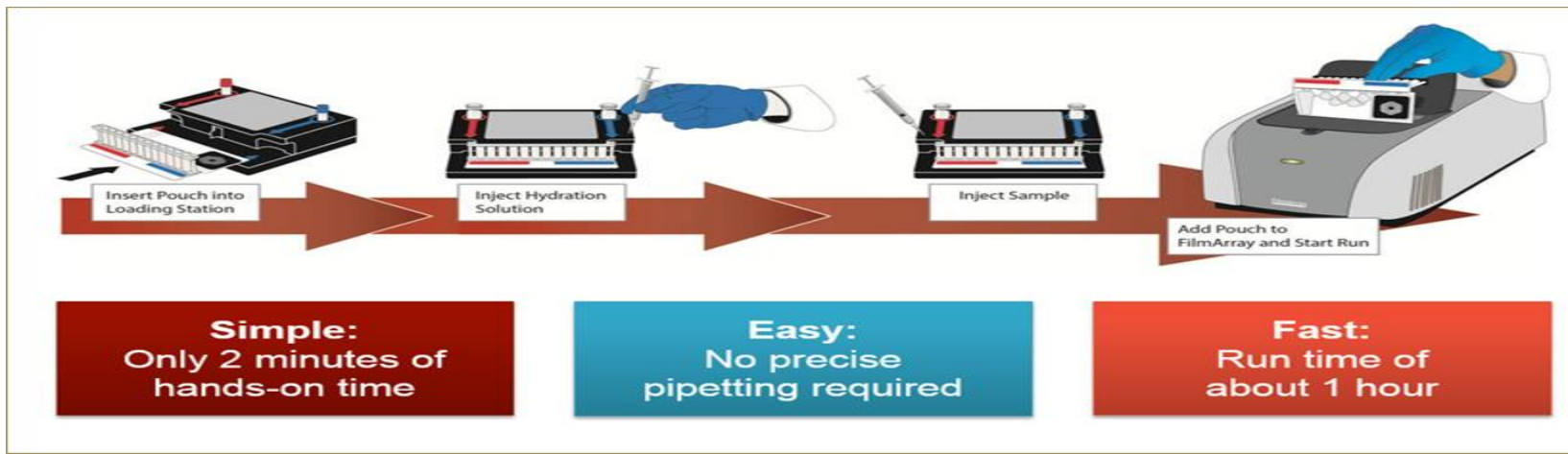
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Mx amplification  
Sample prep included  
Up to 20 targets  
TAT VP 1 hr  
1 sample/instrument

# Comprehensive Molecular Testing for Respiratory Pathogens in Community-Acquired Pneumonia

Typical bacteria	Atypical bacteria	Respiratory viruses
Streptococcus pneumoniae;	Mycoplasma pneumoniae	Influenza A
Haemophilus influenzae	Chlamydophila pneumoniae	Influenza B
Moraxella catarrhalis;	Chlamydophila psittaci	Respiratory syncytial virus
Staphylococcus aureus;	Legionella pneumophila	Parainfluenza virus types 1–3;
Escherichia coli	Legionella spp	Adenovirus
Klebsiella pneumoniae		Coronaviruses
Pseudomonas aeruginosa		Metapneumovirus
Acinetobacter baumannii		Rhinovirus





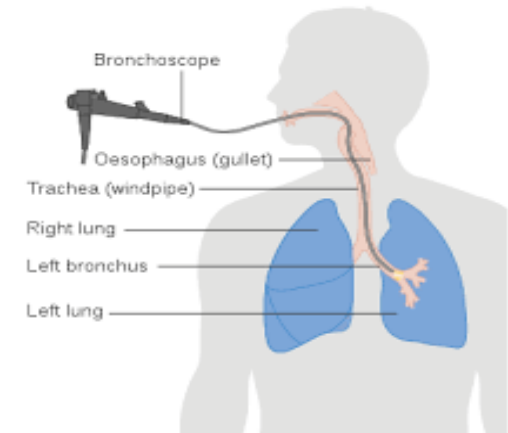
# Type of samples



NASOPHARYNGEAL SWABS



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BAL

# Epidemiology-atypical pathogens

- increased trend of atypical pathogens over the last 15 years, with prevalence ranging from 6 to 40% in both Europe and USA

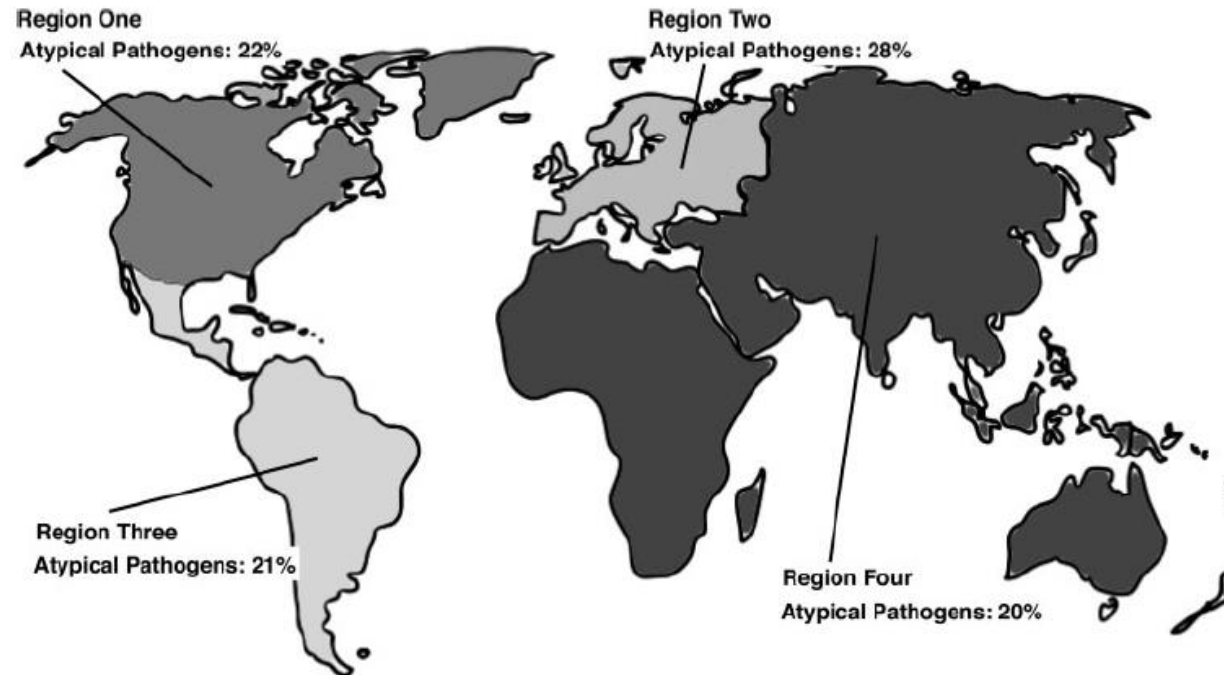


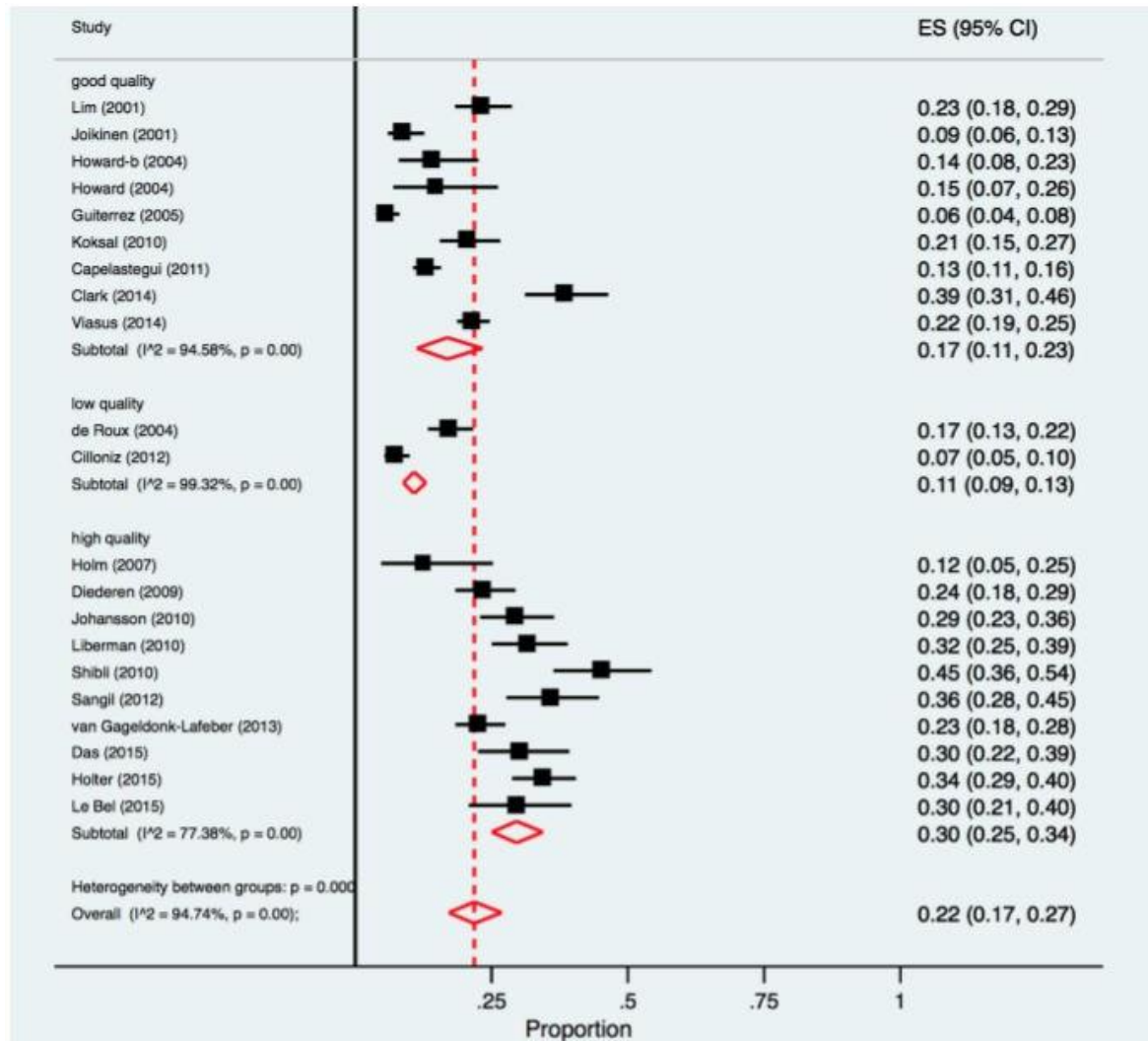
Fig. 1 Regions of the community-acquired pneumonia organization and world incidence of atypical pneumonia.

# Viral pneumonia in adults

Author	Cases	Etiology	Bacteria	Viral	Mixed	Year & Source
Templeton	105	52	44	50	27	CID 2005
Marcos	198	57	57	33	10	Ant Ther 2006
Jennings	304	58	48	29	30	Thorax 2008
Johnstone	193	39	51	39	11	Chest 2008
Johansson	184	67	58	29	23	CID 2010
Sangil*	131**	70	60	23	17	EJCMID 2012
Luchsinger	356	65	40	35	26	Thorax 2013
Total	1115	65	52	25	23	

# Systematic review of respiratory viral pathogens identified in adults with CAP in Europe

## 21 studies



- Proportion of patients with identified RV: 29.0% (25.0%–34.0%) in studies with PCR
- Influenza virus was the most frequently detected RV 9% (7%–12%) of CAP

# What treatment would you start?

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# Infectious Diseases Society of America/American Thoracic Society Consensus Guidelines on the Management of Community-Acquired Pneumonia in Adults

## OUTPATIENT EMPIRIC CAP

- **Healthy; no abx previous 3 months**
  - Macrolide e.g. azithromycin
  - 2nd choice: doxycycline
  
- **Comorbidities; abx previous 3 months (use alternative abx)**
  - Respiratory fluoroquinolone: Moxifloxacin, levofloxacin, gemifloxacin
  - Beta-lactam + macrolide

**Regions with >25% high-level macrolide-resistant *S. pneumoniae*, consider alternative agents**

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- **Inpatients Ward**
  - Respiratory fluoroquinolone
  - $\beta$ -lactam + macrolide
- **Inpatients ICU**
  - $\beta$ -lactam (cefotaxime/ceftriaxone or ampicillin/sulbactam) + macrolide
  - Respiratory fluoroquinolone for PCN-allergic pts
- **Special pathogens**
  - ***Pseudomonas*** anti-pseudomonal  $\beta$ -lactam + cipro/levofloxacin or aminoglycoside and azitromycin
  - **MRSA** add vancomycin or linezolid



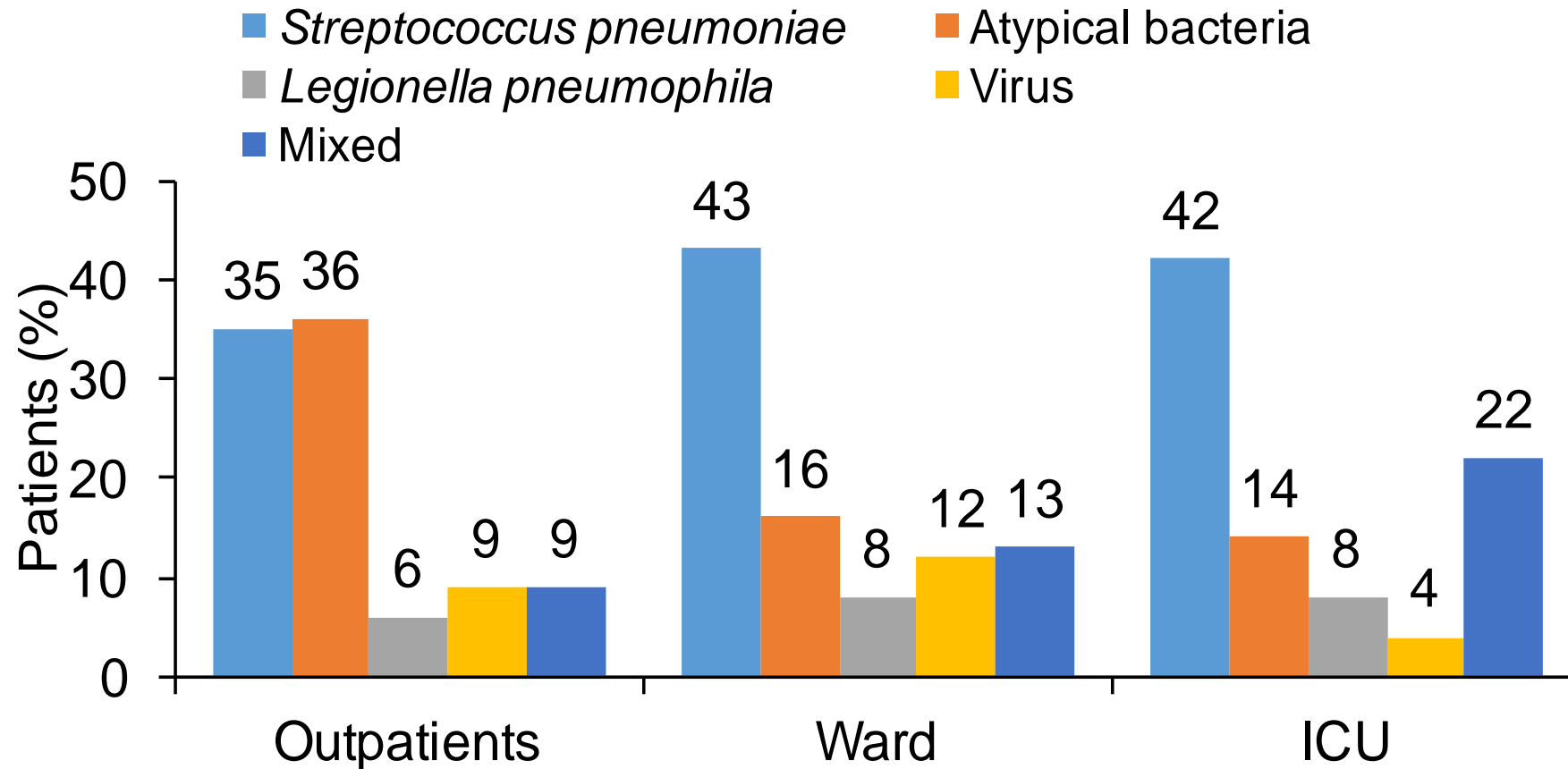
## Mr. C in ICU

- Worsening condition with need for mechanical ventilation and BAL performed
- Microbiological results
  - **BAL: RT-PCR positive for influenza A , culture negative**
  - Sputum culture: negative
  - Blood culture: negative
  - Urine antigen negative for *S. pneumoniae* and *Legionella*
  - **Influenza testing nasopharyngeal swab: RT-PCR positive for influenza A**

STOP betalactam AND macrolide  
Therapy was de-escalated to oseltamivir

# Microbial aetiology of CAP and its relation to severity

3523 patients  
Microbiological diagnosis 1463



## The burden RV in pneumonia associated with acute respiratory failure an underappreciated Issue

- 364 patients with CAP and HAP requiring MV
- RV was the sole pathogen in 79 cases (21.7%):
  - rhinovirus/enterovirus (n 20)
  - influenza A (n 12)
  - respiratory syncytial virus (n 11)

Viruses represent a major cause of pneumonia in critically ill patients requiring MV  
Identifying such subjects presents an opportunity for discontinuing antibiotics

## After discharge

- The patient is sent home with recommendation of seeing the family doctor and planning antipneumococcal vaccination and influenza vaccination
- However the patient complains that in previous years he got vaccinated but he developed fever after vaccination and he still got the flu ...

## The family doctor explained to the patient that...

1. Flu like syndrome can be caused by respiratory virus other than influenza virus : rhinovirus, coronavirus...
2. Influenza vaccine does not reduce the risk of complications
3. Influenza vaccine reduce the risk of complications in adults hospitalized with Influenza
4. The family doctor agrees with him

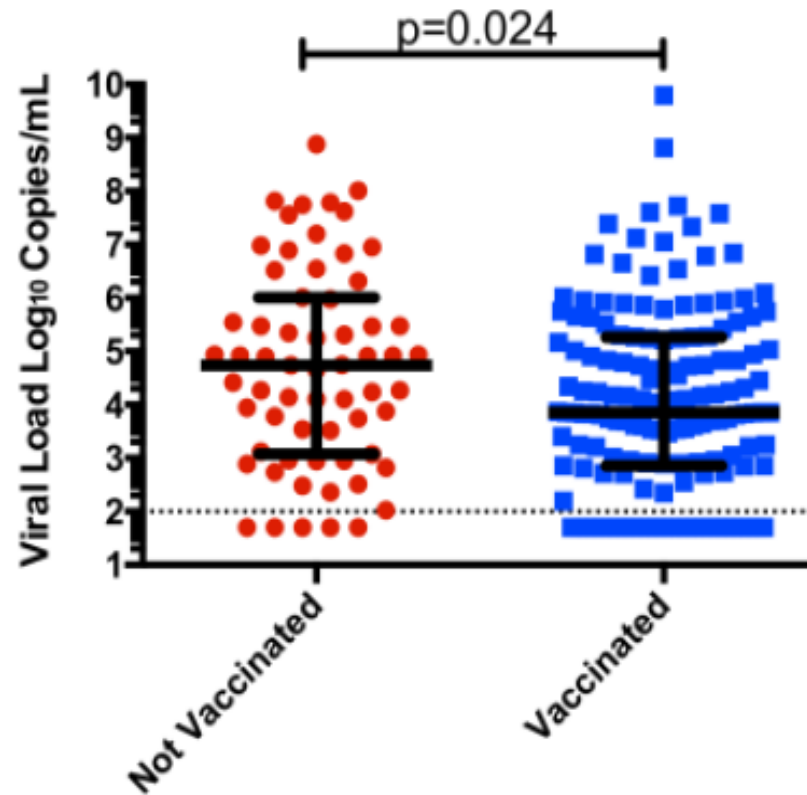
# Influenza vaccination modifies disease severity among adults hospitalized with Influenza

- Influenza season attenuate adverse outcome among adults hospitalized with laboratory-confirmed influenza:
  - reduces hospital mortality due to influenza in all age categories
  - reduces the rate of hospitalizations and the duration of ICU hospitalization



# The receipt of vaccine in the same influenza season is associated with a decrease in disease severity in immunocompromised SOT and HSCT

- Lower pneumonia (OR 0.34 (95%CI 0.21-0.55),  $p < 0.001$ ) and ICU admission (OR 0.49 (95%CI 0.26-0.90),  $p = 0.023$ )



# Mr. BW clinical case



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- Mr. BW is a 66 year old male who presents to the cardiac surgery clinic the day 19 of september 2018
- Past Medical History
  - Heart transplant 30.07.2017 , treatment with cyclosporine, mycophenolate and steroids
  - Diabets
- He reported fever, dry cough and progressive dyspnoea of 1-week duration
- The family doctor prescribed amoxicillin/clavulanate 875/125 mg every 8 hours for one week without benefit

## What would you do in this situation?

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# Be aware of clinically significant antibiotic drug interactions

- Cyclosporine, mycophenolate and steroids
- Warfarin
- Antiarrhythmic agents...



# Prevalence and etiology of CAP in immunocompromised patients

- 3.702 patients with CAP
  - in 652 (17.6%) patients at least one risk factor for immunocompromised
  - 312 patients (8.4%) had more than one risk factor for immunocompromise
- Most frequent risk factors:
  - chronic steroid/s use (45.0%)
  - hematological malignancy (25.0%)
  - chemotherapy (22.0%)

Pathogen	Immunocompetent (n = 2626)	Immunocompromised (n = 596)	PValue
Pathogens covered by CAP therapy			
<i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i>	218 (8.3)	50 (8.4)	>.99
Atypical	50 (1.9)	13 (2.2)	.78
<i>Legionella</i>	21 (0.8)	10 (1.7)	.08
MRSA	83 (3.2)	12 (2.0)	.17
MSSA	73 (2.8)	20 (3.4)	.53
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	98 (3.7)	35 (5.9)	.02
<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i>	65 (2.5)	10 (1.7)	.31
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i>	89 (3.4)	22 (3.7)	.81
Influenza virus	126 (4.8)	28 (4.7)	>.99
Pathogens not covered by CAP therapy			
Non-CAP bacteria			
<i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i>	33 (1.3)	7 (1.2)	>.99
<i>Nocardia</i> spp.	0 (0.0)	4 (0.7)	<.001
Mycobacteria			
<i>Mycobacterium tuberculosis</i>	21 (0.8)	5 (0.8)	>.99
NTM	2 (0.1)	5 (0.8)	.002
Fungi			
<i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i>	10 (0.4)	8 (1.3)	.01
<i>Actinomyces</i>	2 (0.1)	0 (0.0)	>.99
<i>Cryptococcus</i>	3 (0.1)	0 (0.0)	.94
<i>Pneumocystis jirovecii</i>	5 (0.2)	13 (2.2)	<.001
Viruses			
Adenovirus	5 (0.2)	0 (0.0)	.62
Coronavirus	3 (0.1)	3 (0.5)	.047
Metapneumovirus	3 (0.1)	2 (0.3)	.51
RSV	7 (0.3)	6 (1.0)	.03
MDR pathogens	231 (8.8)	54 (9.0)	.54

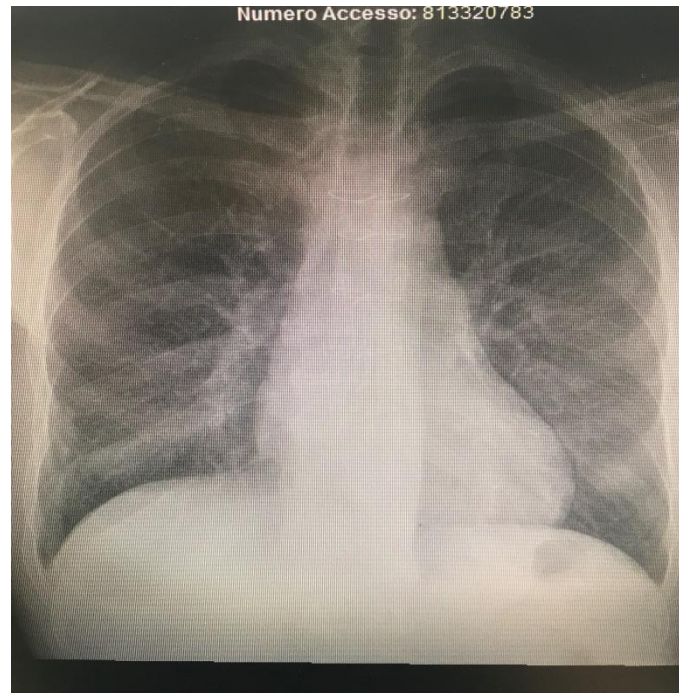
Specific risk factors independently associated with

- **fungal infections** (OR for AIDS and hematological cancer, 15.10 and 4.65,  $P = .001$ )
- **mycobacterial infections** (AIDS;  $P = .006$ )
- **viral infections other than influenza** (hematological cancer, 5.49;  $P < .001$ )

**Finding should be considered by clinicians in prescribing empiric antibiotic therapy for CAP in immunocompromised patients**

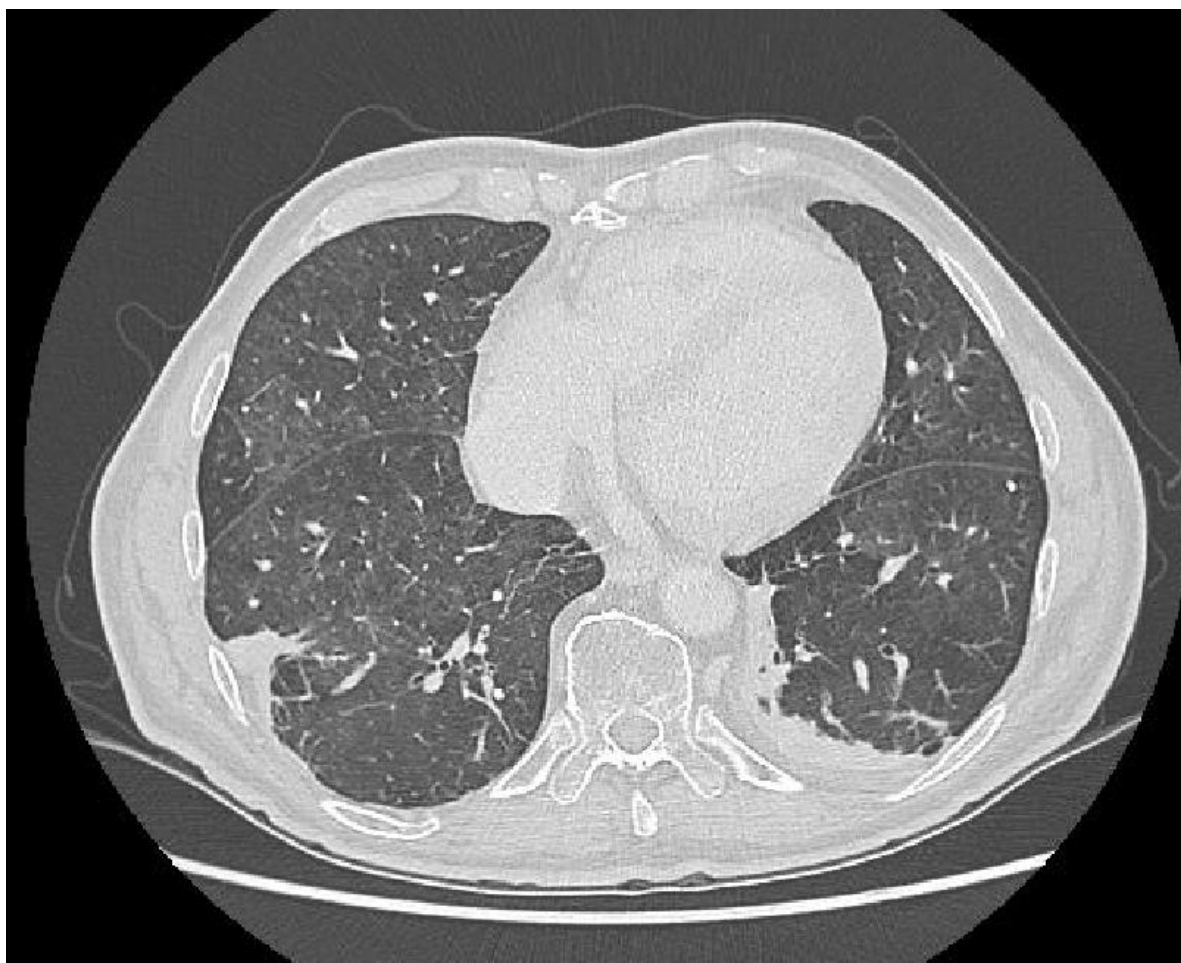
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- Physical examination: **tachypnoic (RR 20/min)**, Sat 95-96% , bilateral **lung crackles**. No other localizing signs of infection
- Blood analysis: LDH **600 U/L**
- ABG: pH 7,37, pCO<sub>2</sub> 36 mmHg, **paO<sub>2</sub> 64 mmHg**, BE 1





Mr. BW clinical case  
CT of the thorax





# Imaging technology is challenging the clinical diagnosis of CAP

## the role of CT scanner

- 319 prospectively enrolled patients with suspected CAP:
  - Chest XR parenchymal infiltrate in 188/319 (59%).
  - CT scan: infiltrate in 40 (33%) of the patients without infiltrate on chest radiograph and excluded CAP in 56 (29.8%) of the 188 with parenchymal infiltrate on chest film
- The increasing availability of CT scanners in ED and a modern generation of CT scanners
- Ultrasonography to confirm the presence of infiltrates and distinguish between parenchymal and pleural abnormalities

## Mr. BW clinical case : microbiological investigation

- Virus?

CMV: negative, EBV: negative, Nasopharyngeal swab for respiratory virus: negative

- Bacteria?

Blood and urine culture: negative, Quantiferon: negative, Nasopharyngeal swab for Pneumotris: negative, Urinary antigen for Legionella and Pneumococcus: negative

- Fungi?

Blood culture: negative, Ag Galattomannan: negative, **Beta D Glucan: 210 ng/mL**

- Parasites?

Toxoplasma Ab: negative

## Mr BW clinical case : diagnosis

- Underwent to diagnostic bronchoscopy
- Bronchoalveolar lavage:

### Materiale: Broncolavaggio

Esame microscopico

Leucociti

Cellule epiteliali

Colturale per batteri aerobi e

Colturale per miceti

Esame colturale Legionella

Ricerca Pneum.carinii-jirovecii(IF)

Pneumotris PCR

Ricerca Chlamydia pneumoniae (PCR)

Ricerca Mycoplasma pneumoniae (PCR)

Ricerca Legionella (PCR)

Ricerca Nocardia species

Ricerca Actinomyces species

*Pneumocystis jirovecii* pneumonia

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Positivo

Oocisti di *Pneumocystis jirovecii*

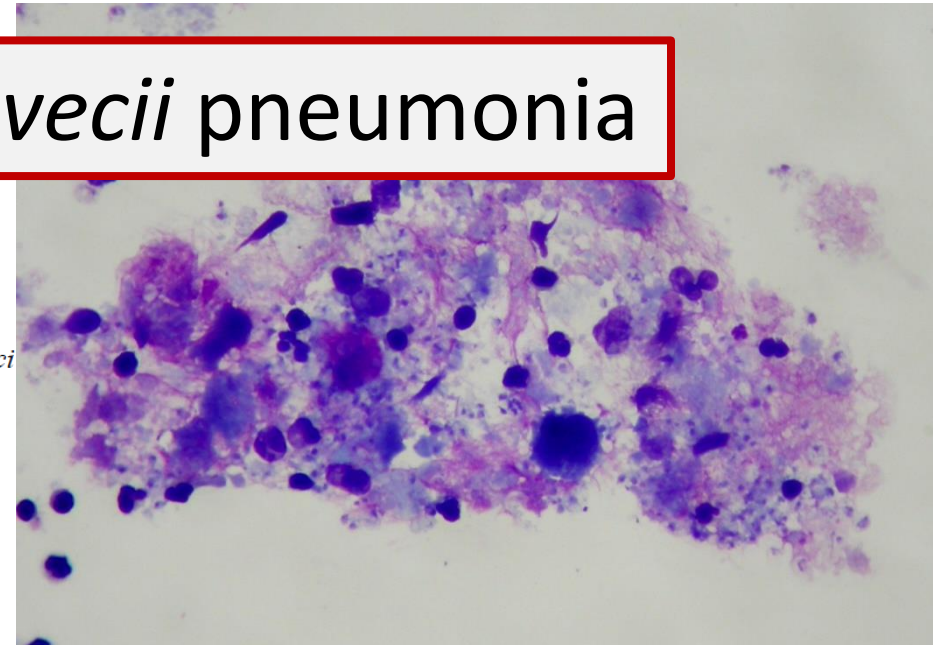
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# Take home messages

- Removal of the concept of HCAP
- Changing epidemiology of CAP: new diagnostic methods and their impact in management
- Emerging role of respiratory viruses in CAP
- The role of prevention and influenza vaccination
- Empiric antibiotic therapy for CAP should not be prescribed in immunocompromised patients

# GRAZIE



**BE  
ANTIBIOTICS  
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SMART USE, BEST CARE