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Shivering,
fever,
or very cold

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Extrême
pain or
general
discomfort
("worst
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Pale or
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Sleepy,
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to wake
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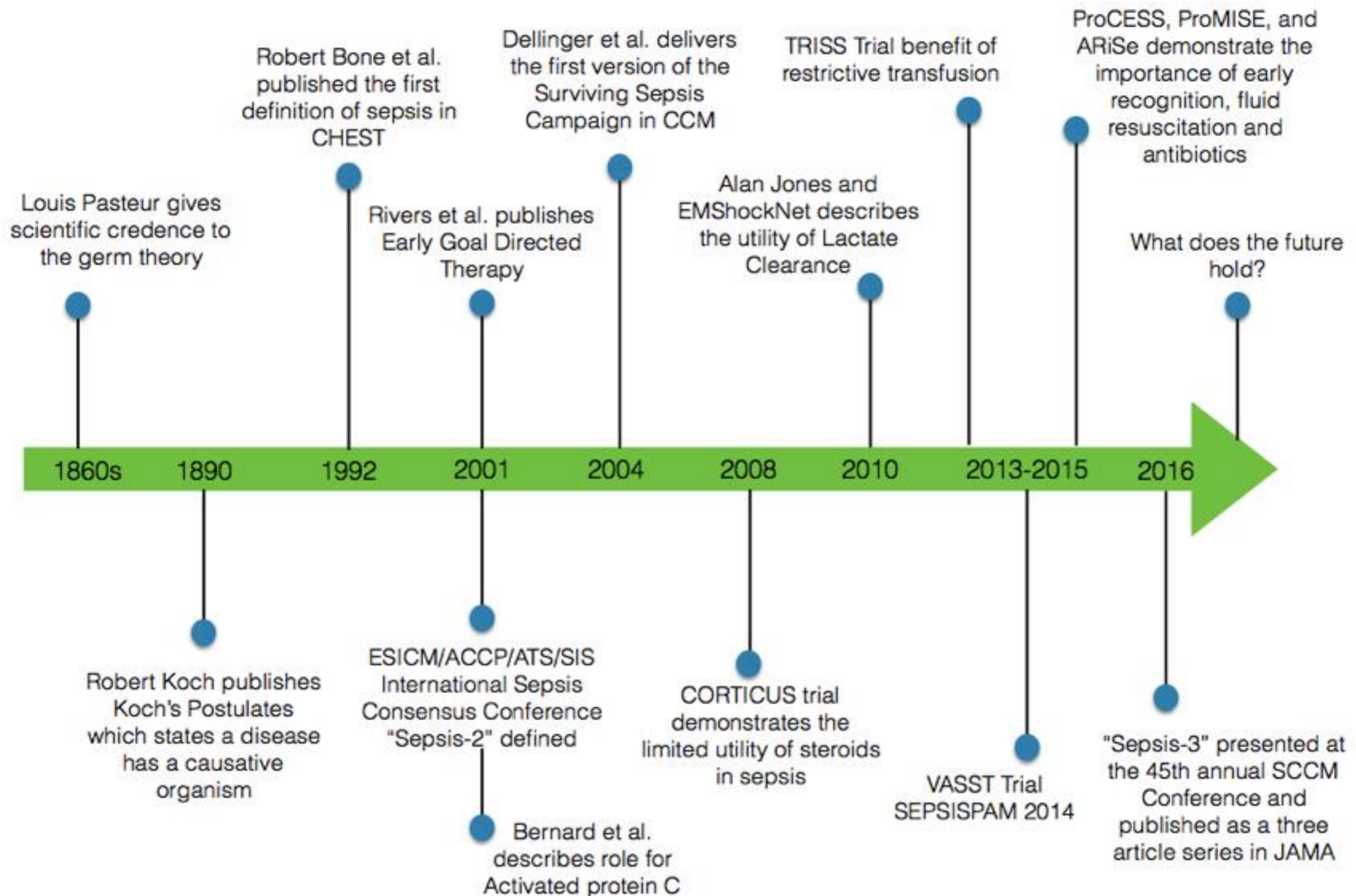
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WHERE DID IT START?



SEPSIS DEFINITION

Sepsis is defined as life-threatening organ dy



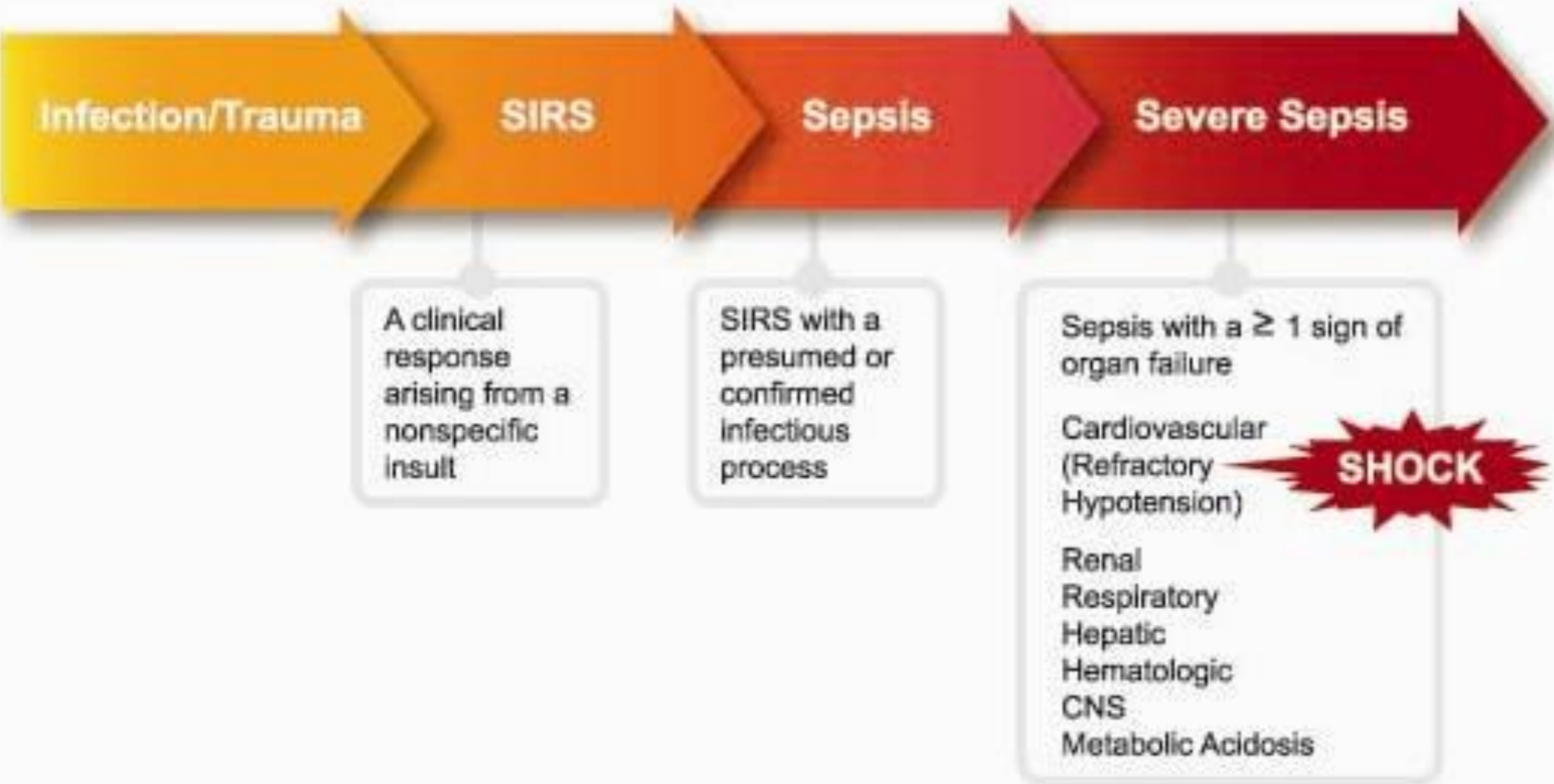


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SEPSIS: Defining a Disease Continuum



Bone et al. *Chest* 1992; 101:1644; Wheeler and Bernard. *N Engl J Med* 1999; 340:207

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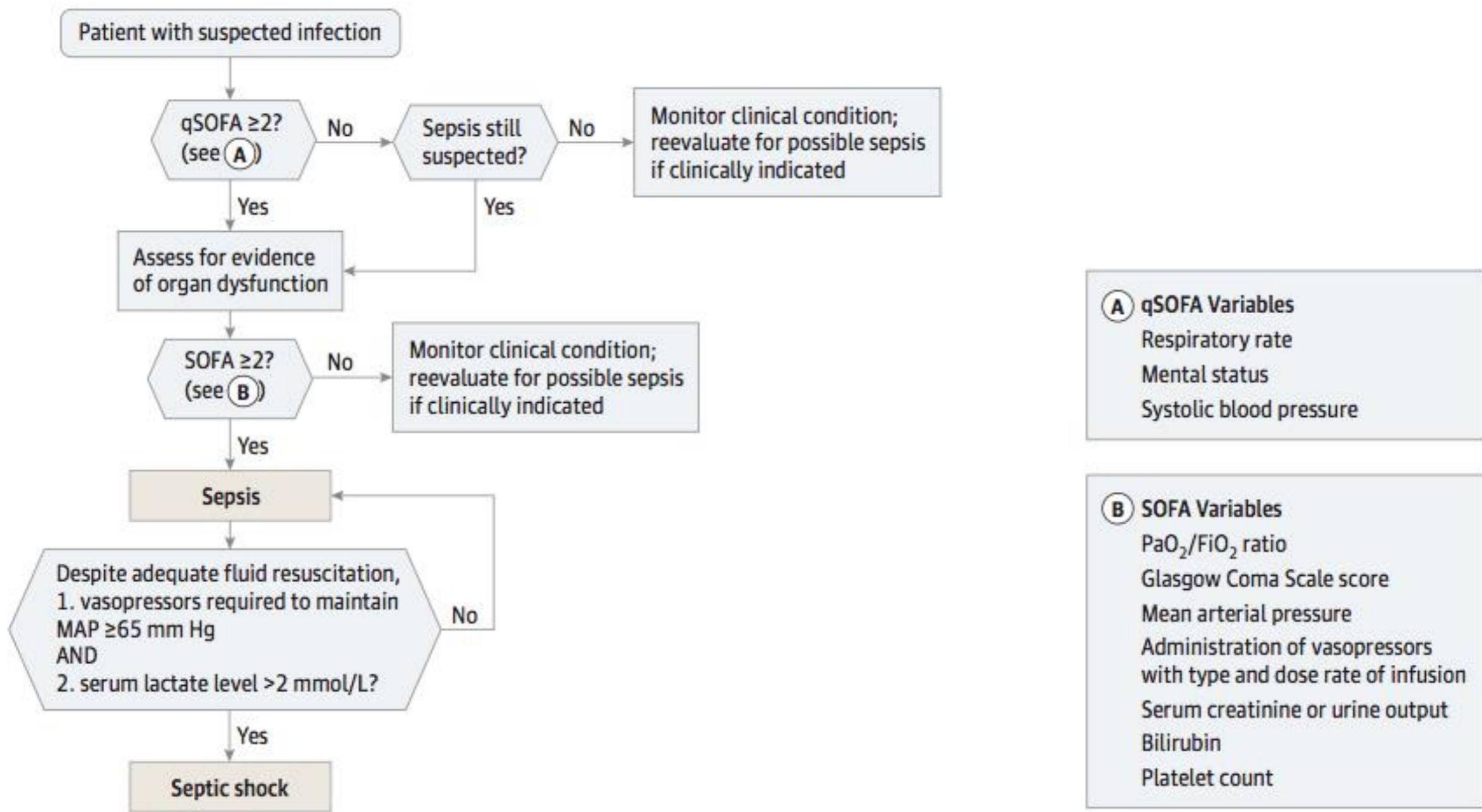


- Sepsis – SIRS + suspected or confirmed infection (documented via cultures or visualized via physical exam/imaging)
- Severe Sepsis – Sepsis + at least one sign of organ hypoperfusion or dysfunction

Areas of mottled skin	Disseminated intravascular coagulation
Capillary refill > 3 secs	AKI
UOP < 0.5cc/kg /hr	ARDS or acute lung injury (ALI)
Lactate > 2mmol /L	Cardiac dysfunction on echo
Altered mental status	Plt < 100
Abnormal EEG	Troponin Leak

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 - Septic SHOCK – Sepsis + circulatory and cellular metabolism abnormalities that are profaned enough to *SUBSTANTIALLY increase mortality*

Figure. Operationalization of Clinical Criteria Identifying Patients With Sepsis and Septic Shock



The baseline Sequential [Sepsis-related] Organ Failure Assessment (SOFA) score should be assumed to be zero unless the patient is known to have preexisting (acute or chronic) organ dysfunction before the onset of infection. qSOFA indicates quick SOFA; MAP, mean arterial pressure.

ORGAN DYSFUNCTION

Organ dysfunction can be identified as an acute change in total SOFA score ≥ 2 points consequent to the infection

Sequential (Sepsis-Related) Organ Function Assessment (SOFA) Score.^a

System / Score	0	1	2	3	4
Respiration: PaO ₂ /FiO ₂ , mmHg (kPa)	≥ 400 (53.3)	<400 (53.3)	<300 (40)	<200 (26.7) with respiratory support	<100 (13.3) with respiratory support
Coagulation: Platelets x 10 ³ / μ L	≥ 150	<150	<100	<50	<20
Liver: Bilirubin, mg/dL (μ mol/L)	<1.2 (20)	<1.2-1.9 (20-32)	2.0-5.9 (33-101)	6.0-11.9 (102-204)	>12.0 (204)
Cardiovascular	MAP ≥ 70 mm Hg	MAP <70 mm Hg	Dopamine <5 or dobutamine (any dose) ^b	Dopamine 5.1-15 or epinephrine ≤ 0.1 , or norepinephrine ≤ 0.1 ^b	Dopamine >15 or epinephrine, >0.1, or norepinephrine >0.1 ^b
Central nervous system: Glasgow coma scale score ^c	15	13-14	10-12	6-9	<6
Renal: Creatinine mg/dL (μ mol/L); Urine output, mL/day	<1.2 (110)	1.2-1.9 (110-170)	2.0-3.4 (171-299)	3.5-4.9 (300-440); <500	>5.0 (440); <200

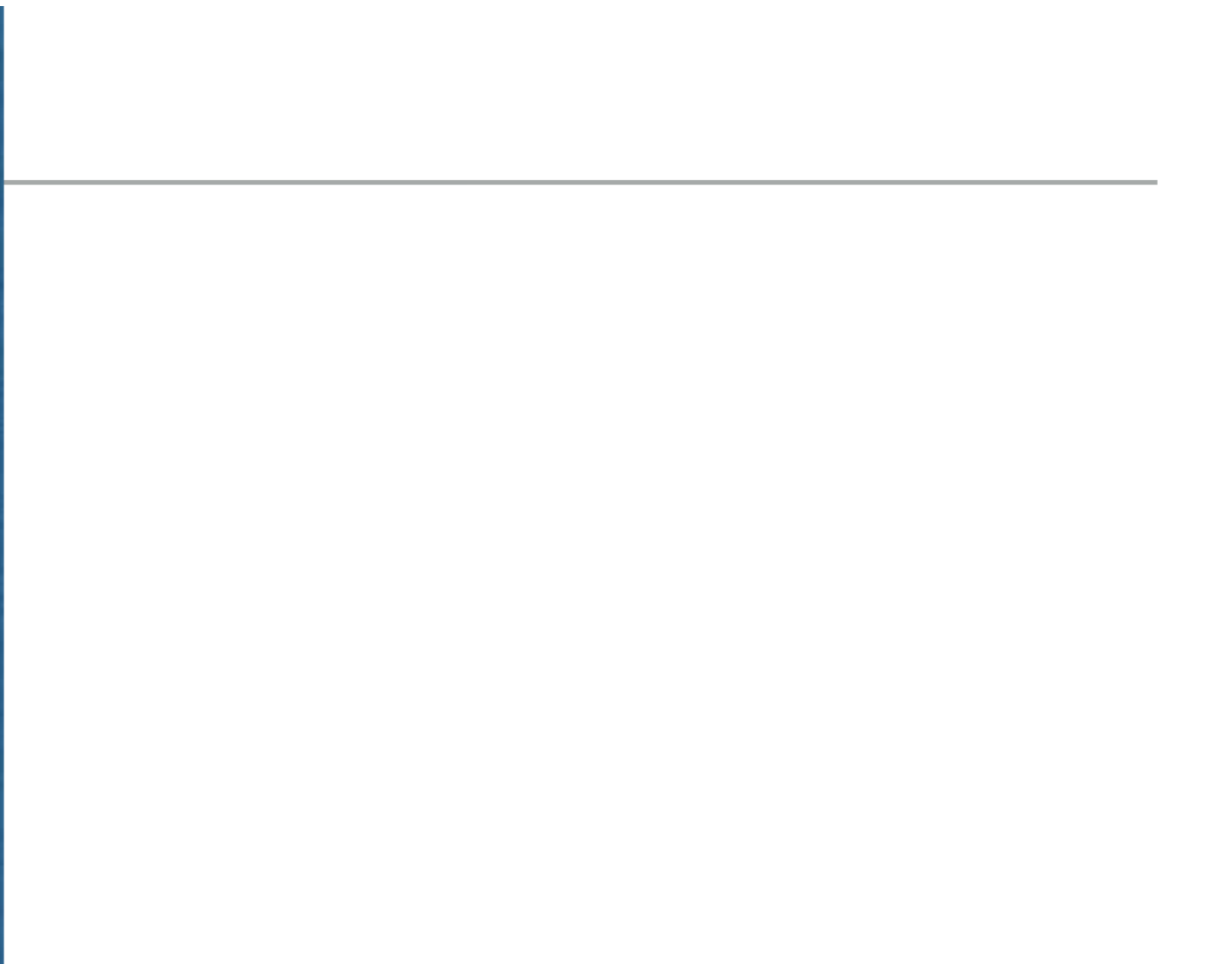
Figure 2. Abbreviations: PaO₂/FiO₂, partial pressure of oxygen/fraction of inspired oxygen. a) Adapted from Vincent et al³; b) Catecholamine dose in μ g/kg/min, >1 hour; c) Glasgow Coma Scale scores range from 3-15 (3 minimum, 15 normal).

qSOFA

What caught a lot of attention was the development of a new term: qSOFA (or Quick SOFA). Patients with suspected infection who are likely to have a prolonged ICU stay or to die in the hospital can be promptly identified at the bedside with qSOFA

QUICK SOFA CRITERIA:

REDUCTION IN MENTAL STATUS (GCS ≤ 13)
HYPOTENSION - SBP ≤ 100 MM HG
TACHYPNOEA - RESPIRATORY RATE ≥ 22/MIN







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Isansys is working with the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Birmingham, on the early detection of sepsis



Sepsis: Key Facts



Early identification is key



Early recognition and treatment

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Reduced hospital stay and increased survival



Early blood cultures and antibiotics increase survival



Sepsis cases arise in the **community** and in **hospital**

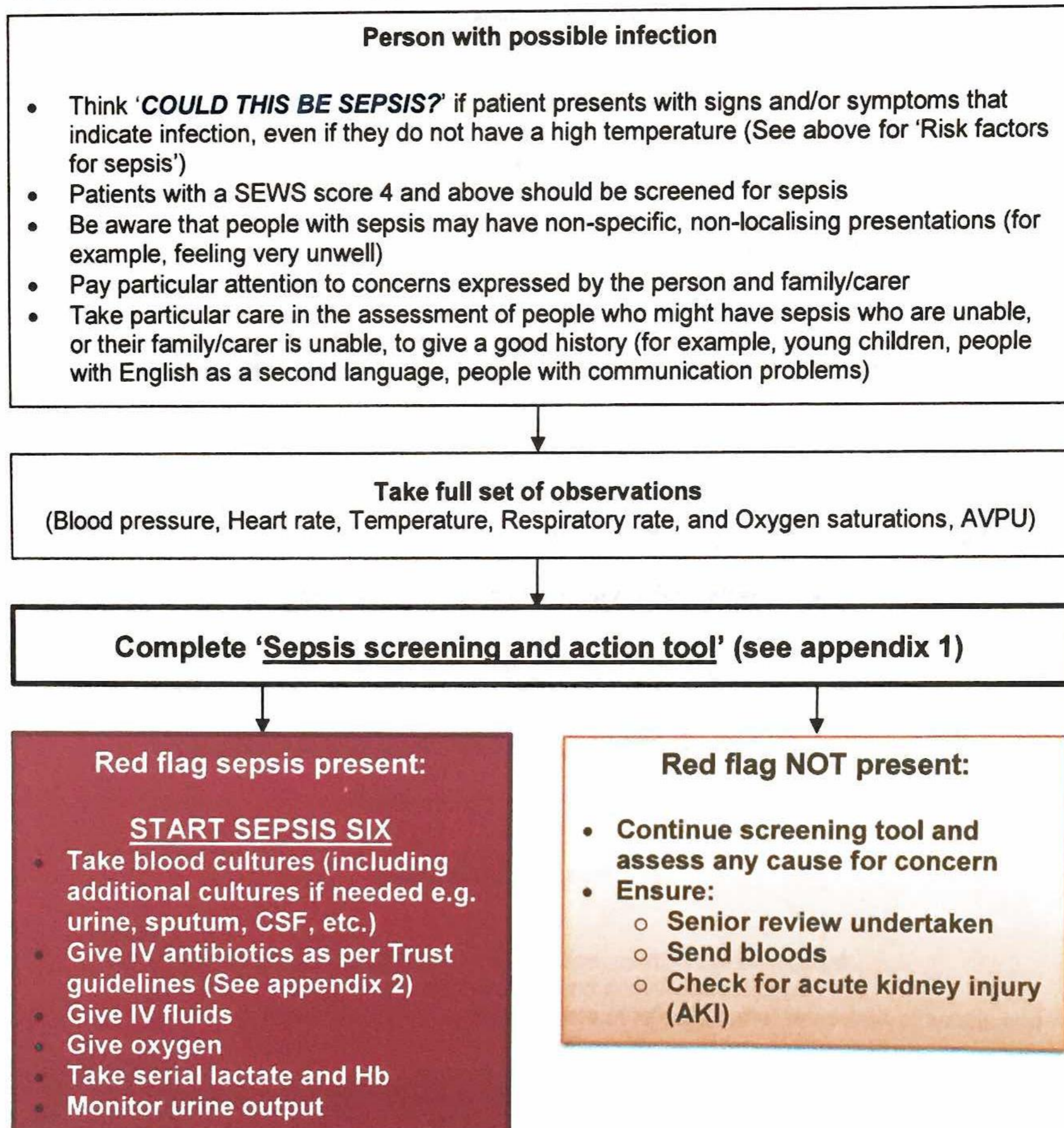


ITU beds for patients with sepsis costs the NHS 2.5 billion pounds per year



4 out of 10 people with severe sepsis die

4. IDENTIFICATION OF SEPSIS



Patient details (affix label):

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Staff member completing form:

Date: (DD/MM/YY):

Name (print):

Designation:

Signature:

Important: Is an end of life pathway in place? Yes/No , Is escalation clinically inappropriate? Yes/No , Initials , Discontinue pathway Yes/No

1. Does patient look sick? Tick No

OR has SEWS trigger of 4 and above?

- Low risk of sepsis. Use standard protocols, consider discharge (approved by senior decision maker) with safety netting
- Re-assess for Sepsis hourly and escalate further if indicated

2. Could this be due to an infection? Tick

Yes, but source unclear at present

Pneumonia

Urinary Tract Infection (UTI)

Abdominal pain or distension / diarrhoea

Cellulitis / Septic arthritis / Infected wound

Device-related infection

Meningitis

Other (specify:)

4. Any cause for concern? Tick

Some patients without Red Flags may still have factors which warrant assessment of need for formal intervention for sepsis, such as:

Relatives unusually concerned

Acute deterioration in functional ability

Significant risk e.g. immunosuppressed (including recent chemotherapy/potential neutropenia), on steroids (even oral)

Health professional remains worried

Surgery or invasive procedure in last six weeks

3. Is any ONE red flag present? Tick

Responds only to voice or pain/ unresponsive

Acute confusional state

Systolic B.P ≤ 90 mmHg (or drop >40 mmHg from normal)

Heart rate > 130 per minute

Respiratory rate ≥ 25 per minute

Needs oxygen to keep SpO₂ $\geq 92\%$

Non-blanching rash, mottled/ ashen/ cyanotic

Not passed urine in last 18 h/ UO <0.5 ml/kg/hr

Lactate ≥ 2 mmol/L (Result:.....mmol/L)

Recent chemotherapy / transplant

Send bloods include FBC, U&Es, CRP, LFTs, clotting, blood cultures Time complete Initials

Ensure urgent senior review (SpR or above) within 1 hour with review of bloods –if concerned start Sepsis 6 immediately, do not wait for blood results Time complete Initials

AKI **NO AKI**

If for antimicrobials, administer Within 3hours Time complete Initials

Not for antimicrobials? Initials

Senior clinician decision to discharge with safety netting? Discharged? Initials

Red Flag Sepsis. Start Sepsis 6 pathway NOW (see overleaf)

This is time critical, immediate action is required.

Make a treatment escalation plan and decide on CPR status
 Inform Consultant that patient has **Red Flag Sepsis**

Time zero

Consultant informed? (tick)

Name (Clearly write)

Action (Complete ALL within 60mins)

Time complete

Initials

Reason not done/variance

<p>1. Administer oxygen Aim to keep target saturation of 94-98% (88-92% if at risk of CO₂ retention e.g. COPD)</p>			
<p>2. Take blood cultures Take a peripheral blood cultures. Also consider other samples (e.g. Blood culture from CVC lines, urine, sputum, CSF) <i>Think source control!</i> Call surgeon/radiologist if needed <i>CXR and urinalysis for all adults</i></p>			
<p>3. Give IV antibiotics According to Trust antibiotic guidelines Consider allergies prior to administration</p>			
<p>4. Give IV fluids If hypotensive / lactate >2mmol/L, Give 500ml Hartmann's over less than 15mins. May be repeated if clinically indicated- do not exceed 30ml/kg <i>Call Critical Care/Outreach now if >2.5L administered</i></p>			
<p>5. Check serial lactates and Hb (after 1hr) Corroborate high VBG lactate with arterial sample <i>If lactate ≥4mmol/l, call Critical Care outreach and recheck after each 10ml/kg challenge. If not reducing call Critical Care outreach</i></p>			Not applicable if initial lactate <2 <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>6. Measure urine output May require urinary catheter Ensure fluid balance chart commenced & completed hourly</p>			

IF AFTER DELIVERING SEPSIS SIX ABOVE, PATIENT STILL HAS:

- Systolic BP <90 mmHg, mean blood pressure <65mmHg
- reduced level of consciousness despite resuscitation
- respiratory rate over 25 breaths per minute
- lactate not reducing
- or if patient is clearly critically ill at any time



Then call Critical Care/Outreach immediately via urgent care acute pain (UCAP) team via switchboard

- See Trust Antimicrobial Guideline for choice of agent to prescribe

- See under 'help' tab in PICS
- Search 'Antibiotics' under policies
- Direct web address

❖ <http://uhbpolicies/antimicrobial-prescribing.htm>

- Always consider patients allergy status before prescribing

- Ensure PICS checked prior to prescribing for previous microbiology results and BEE AWARE alerts in case patient known to have previous infection e.g. MRSA, VRE, CPE, C. difficile.

Appendix 2: Sepsis antimicrobial treatment

Antimicrobial Guidelines for treating Sepsis

- Check dose and frequency of dosing with guidelines once U&E's are available as doses will differ in renal impairment
- **If patient does not have red flag sepsis or signs of organ dysfunction (i.e. amber sepsis) then treat as per Trusts antimicrobial guidelines for the suspected source of infection**
- Antibiotics must be reviewed daily with a view to de-escalating treatment as appropriate. For red flag sepsis patients and above discuss with microbiologist (Tel: via switchboard)

Red flag sepsis

Source of sepsis known / suspected

- See Trust antimicrobial guidelines for treatment related to suspected cause
- For Haematology or Oncology patients with suspected infection see 'suspected infection in neutropenic or immunocompromised patients' section in the Trust antimicrobial guidelines
- For patients with suspected meningitis see 'Meningitis – community acquired' section in the Trust antimicrobial guidelines

Sepsis of unknown cause:

- **Meropenem** 1g TDS IV. Reduce dose in renal impairment
PLUS Vancomycin 1g STAT (See guidelines for dosing)
- *Severe penicillin allergy (anaphylaxis)*
Amikacin 15mg/kg OD IV (max daily dose = 1.5g) (See guidelines for dosing/monitoring)
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