

Personalized Management of Exacerbation

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Today`s Table

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 - Personalized management of AECOPD
 - Antibiotics
 - Systemic corticosteroid
 - Comorbid condition: CHF, DD

What is personalized management?

Personalized means...



Definition of personalized medicine?

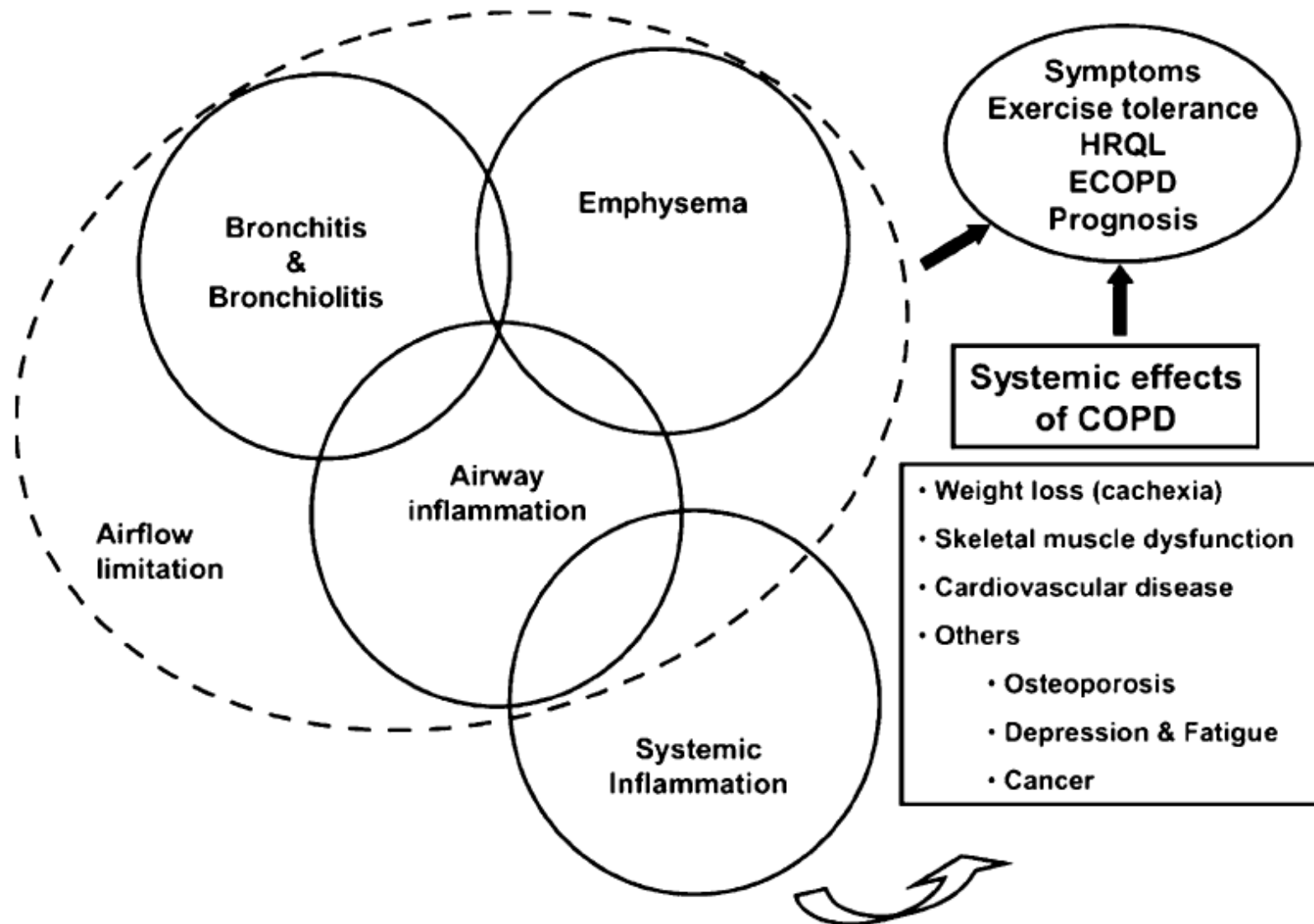
- “Therapeutic approach involving the use of an individual’s genetic and epigenetic information to tailor drug therapy or preventive care.”

– Nature review

- “특정 질병에 대한 민감성 또는 특정 치료에 대한 반응에서 차이를 보이는 개인을 소집단으로 분류하여 집단에 속하는 개인별 특성을 고려한 의료”

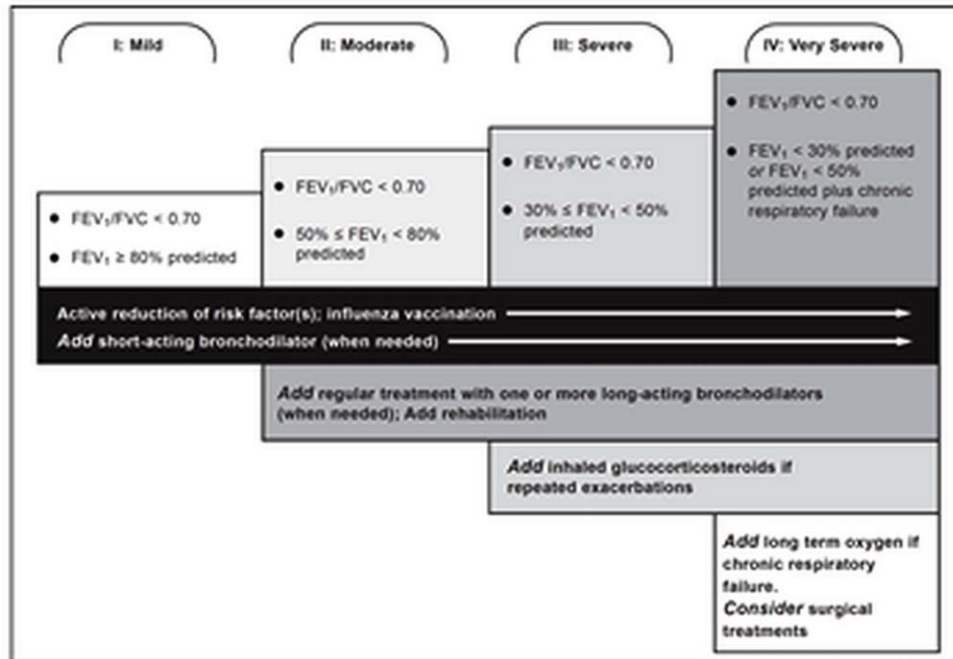
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Personalized aspects of COPD: Heterogeneity



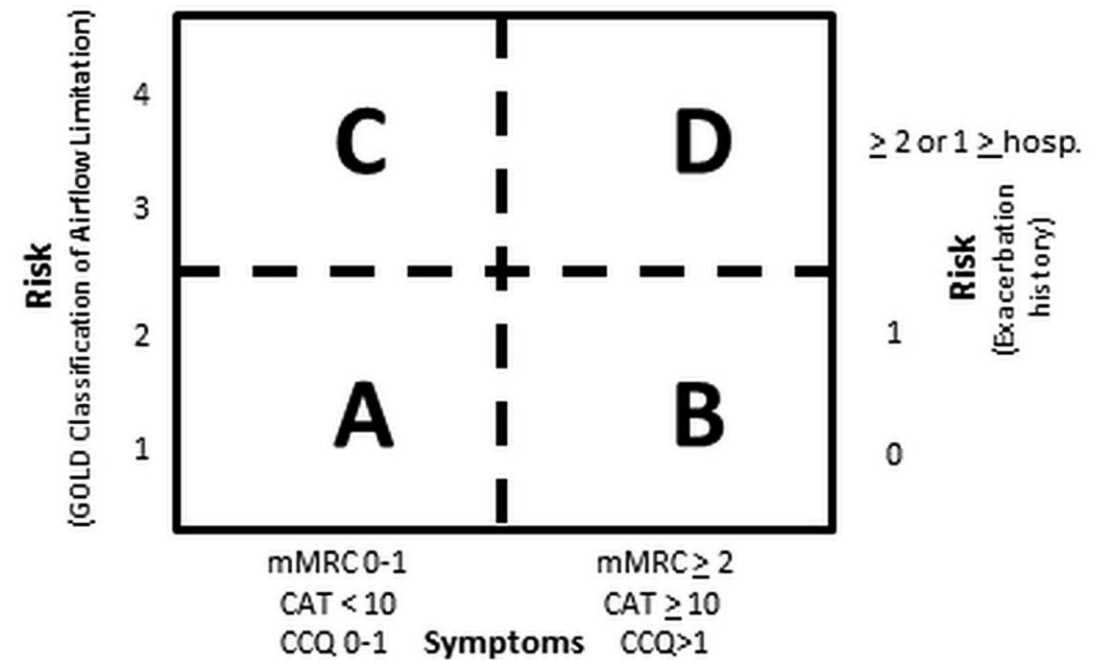
Personalized aspects of COPD: History

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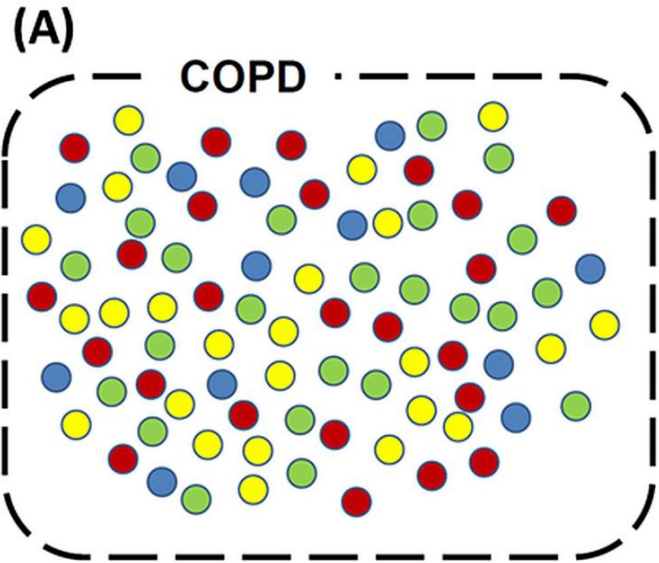
*Postbronchodilator FEV₁ is recommended for the diagnosis and assessment of severity of COPD.

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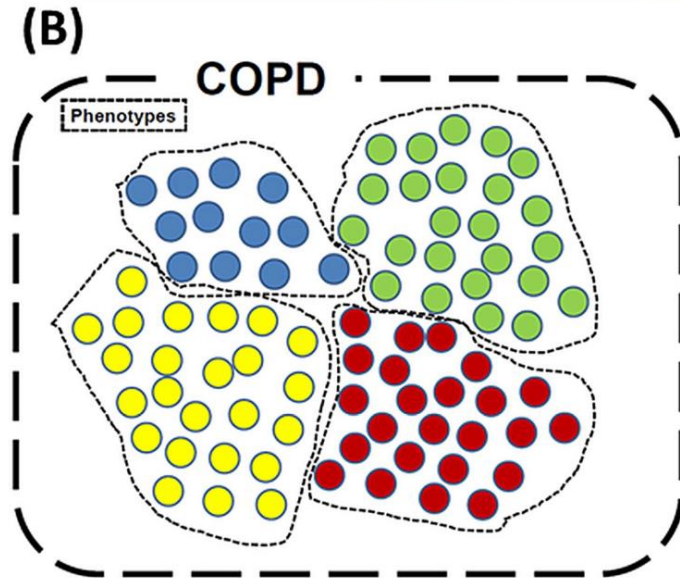


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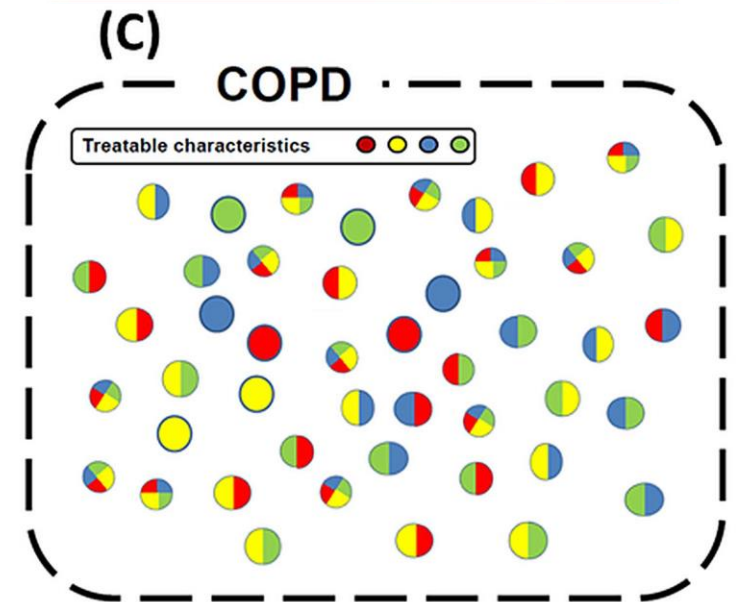
Past



Present



Future



Personalized management of Exacerbation

Management of AECOPD

- **Keys of AECOPD**

- Bronchodilator

- **Systemic corticosteroid** ↔ increase of mortality

- **Antibiotics**

- Only to mod-severe AECOPD with increased cough and sputum prulence (GOLD guideline)
 - Non-infectious cause: ~ 20%

↔ increase of multi-drug resistant pathogen

→ **Understand of phenotypes in AECOPD**

Heterogeneity of AECOPD

AECOPD phenotype?

- Etiology
 - Bacteria (purulence, high CRP or PCT), virus (high IL-6, low CRP), environmental, unknown (1/3)
- Inflammatory: CRP, PCT, eosinophil, serum amyloid A, SP-D, fibrinogen etc.
- Comorbidity: Congestive heart failure, Diaphragm dysfunction etc.
- Frequent exacerbation

Heterogeneity of AECOPD: definition

Pauwels et al. Respiratory Medicine (2004) 98,99–107

Table 1 Definitions of exacerbation used in interventional studies.

Study (author and intervention)	Definition	Basis of definition	
		Event	Symptom
Anthonisen et al., 1987; antibiotic therapy ¹⁹	<p>Type 1 The occurrence of increased dyspnea, sputum volume and sputum purulence</p> <p>Type 2 When two of these symptoms were present</p> <p>Type 3 When one of the three symptoms was present in addition to at least one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> upper respiratory infection within the past 5 days fever without other cause increased wheezing or cough increase in respiratory rate or heart rate by 20% as compared with baseline 	—	✓
Thompson et al., 1996; oral prednisone ⁴⁰	Subjective worsening of chronic baseline dyspnea or cough for more than 24 hours duration, necessitating a hospital visit; >25% increase in inhaled β -agonist use for more than 24 h or an increase in sputum production (more than one-fourth cup per day over baseline) and/or purulence (more than 25 neutrophils/field)	✓	✓
Niewoehner et al., 1999 (SCCOPE study): systemic	Hospital admission with clinical diagnosis of exacerbation	✓	—

The Anthonisen classification of AECOPD, 1987

Table 1. Anthonisen classification of AECOPD

Type I (most severe)	Type II	Type III
All three symptoms (i.e., <u>increased sputum volume</u> , <u>increased sputum purulence</u> and <u>increased dyspnea</u>).	Any two symptoms present	One symptom present plus at least one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• An upper respiratory tract infection in the past 5 days• Increased wheezing• Increased cough• Fever without an obvious source• A 20% increase in respiratory rate• Heart rate above baseline

Heterogeneity of AECOPD: biologic factors

Acute Exacerbations of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

Identification of Biologic Clusters and Their Biomarkers

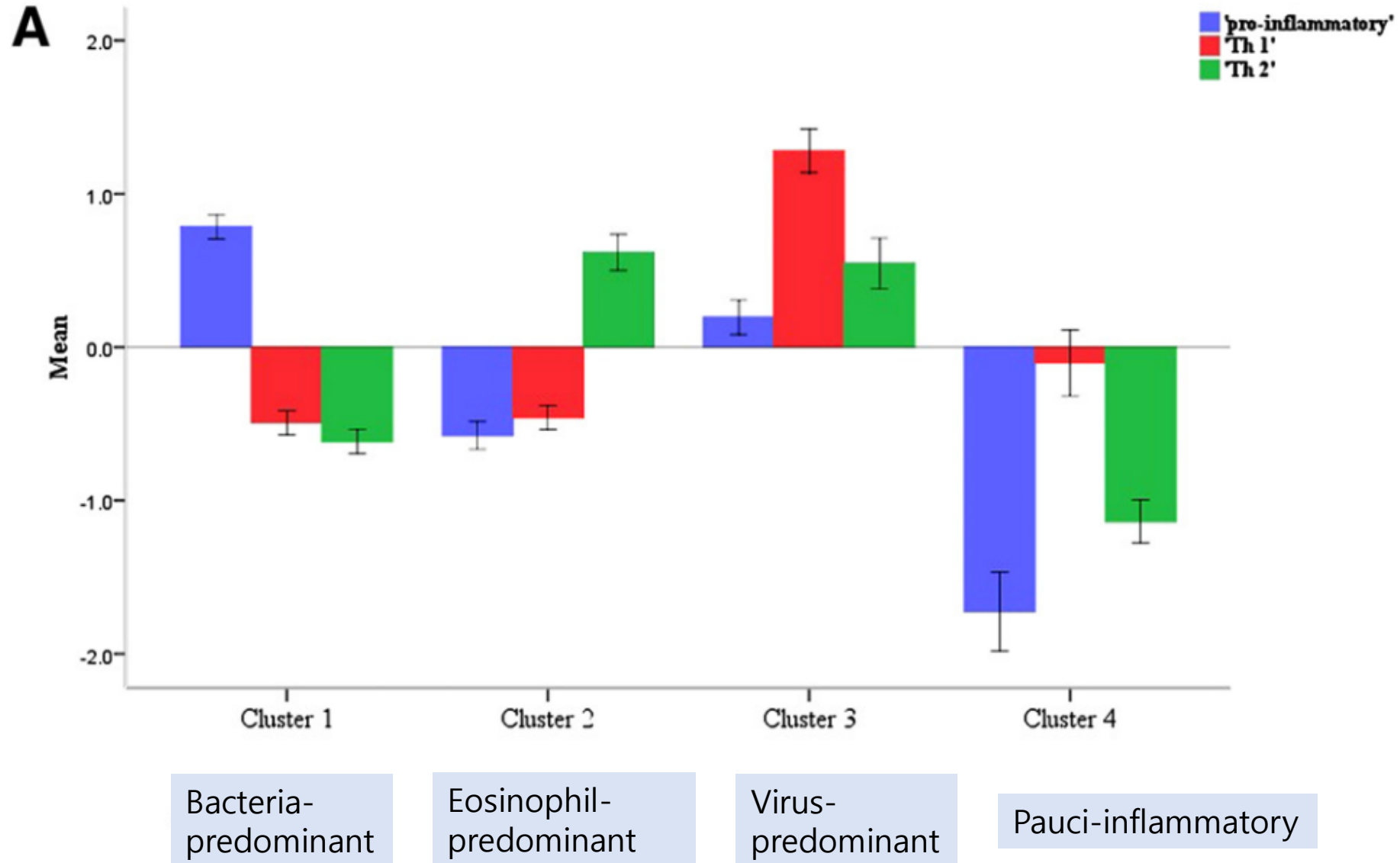
Heterogeneity of /

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Clustered by

- Bacteria- : positive on one of H.influenza, M.catarrhalis, S.pneumoniae, S.aureus, P.aeruginosa aerobic CFU > 10⁷cell
- Virus- : viral PCR (+)
- Sputum Eosinophilic- : 3%

Heterogeneity of AECOPD: biologic factors



AECOPD classification - Sputum color/purulence

Sputum color chart



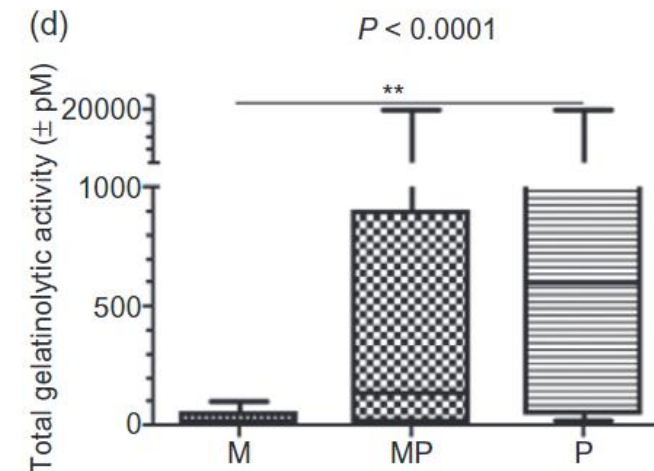
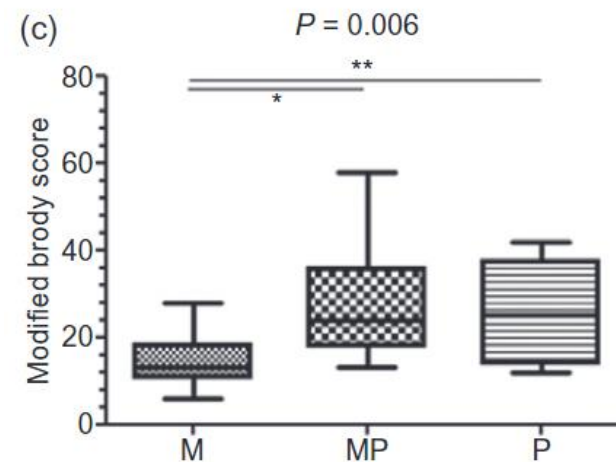
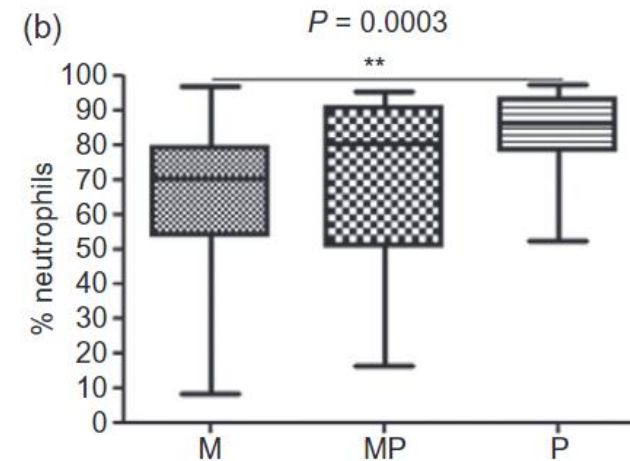
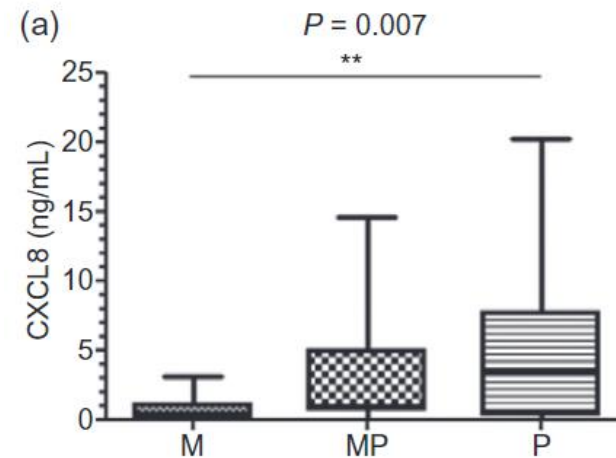
Sputum color chart – inflammation marker

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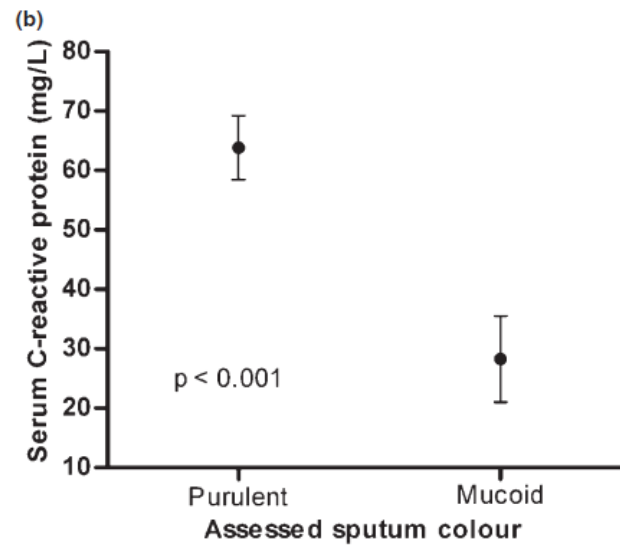
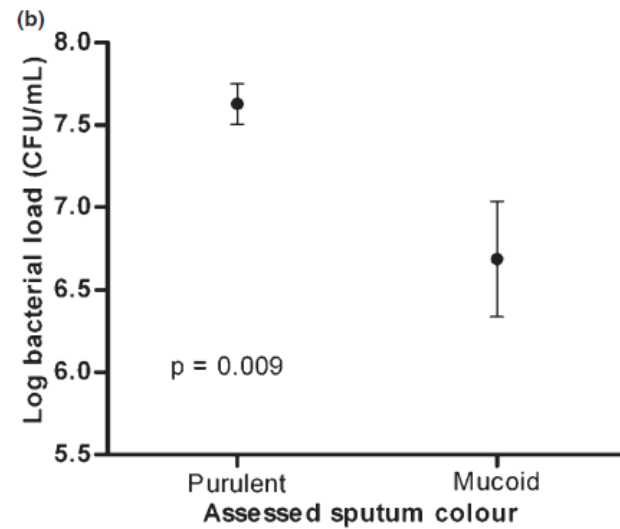
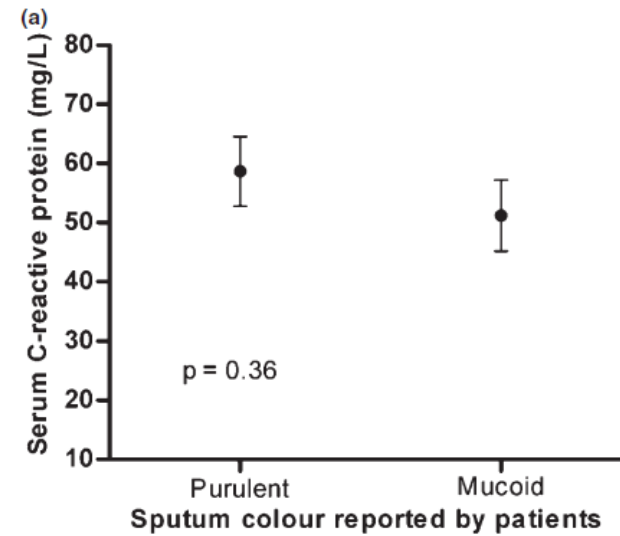
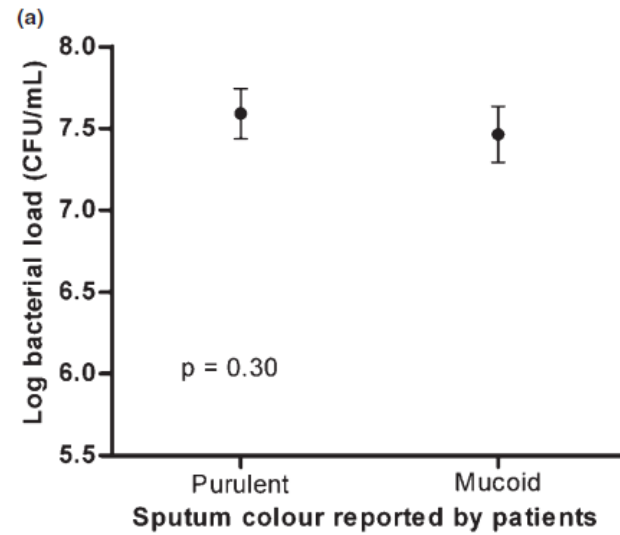
Murray et al. Eur Respir J August 2009 34:361–364;doi:10.1183
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Sputum color for bacterial AECOPD – reliable?

Sputum color grading (581 sputum samples/845 isolates)				
Bacterial growth				
Gram positive [# <i>S. pneumoniae</i> / <i>S.</i> <i>spp.</i> / <i>S. aureus</i>]	107 (62.9%) [92/12/3]	214 (44.6%) [182/9/21]	36 (22.6%) [32/2/2]	7 (18.9%) [3/-/4]
Gram negative [# <i>H. influenzae</i> / <i>H.</i> <i>parainfluenzae</i> / <i>M.</i> <i>catarrhalis</i>]	32 (18.8%) [10/-/22]	239 (49.9%) [167/24/48]	62 (39%) [33/9/20]	14 (37.8%) [9/2/3]
<i>P. aeruginosa</i> / <i>Enterobacteriaceae</i>	31 (18.2%)	26 (5.4%)	61 (38.3%)	16 (43.2%)
No bacterial growth [54/581 (9.2%) sputum samples]	32/145 (22%)	10/322 (2.1%)	7/93 (7.5%)	5/21 (23.8%)

Sputum color for bacterial COPD: not reliable?



Sputum color for bacterial AECOPD: Chronic bronchitis

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Sputum colour and bacteria in chronic bronchitis exacerbations: a pooled analysis

Marc Miravittles*, Frank Kruesmann#, Daniel Haverstock[¶], Renee Perroncel[¶],
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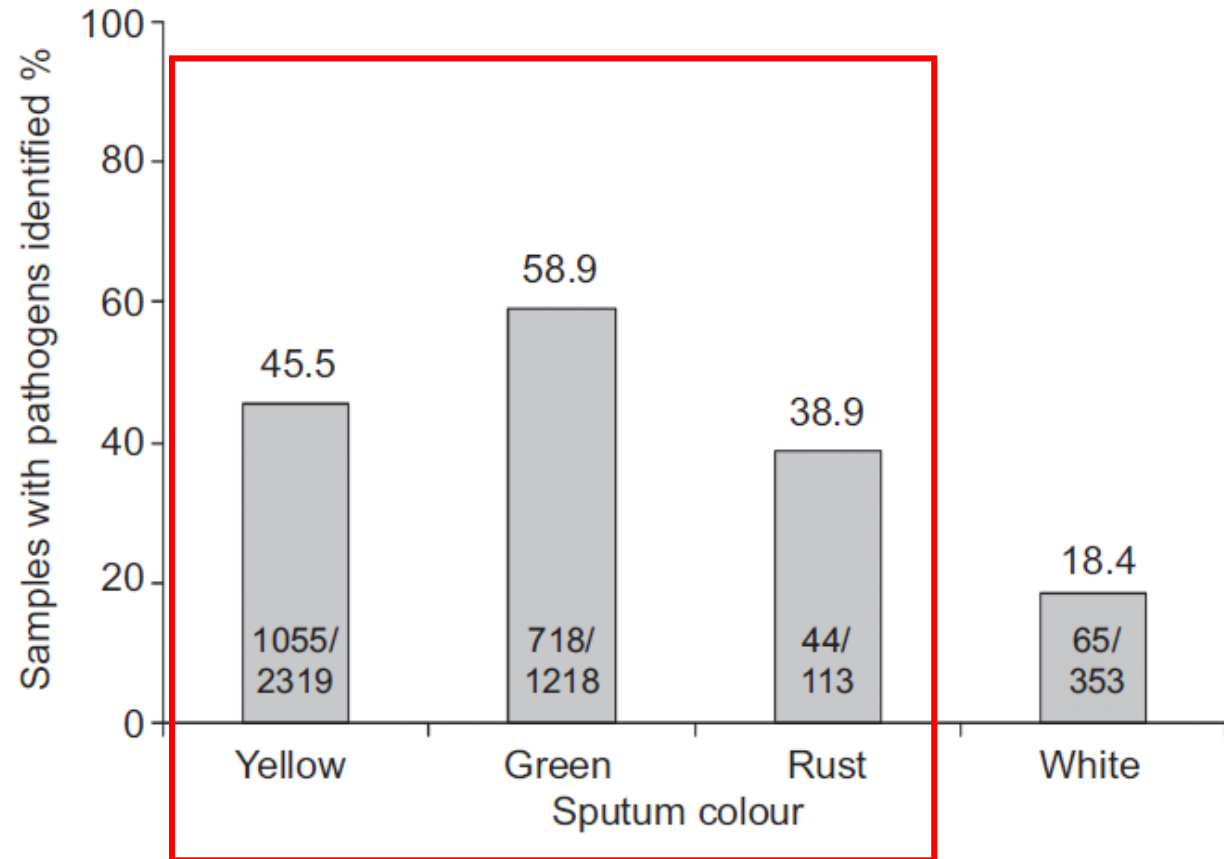
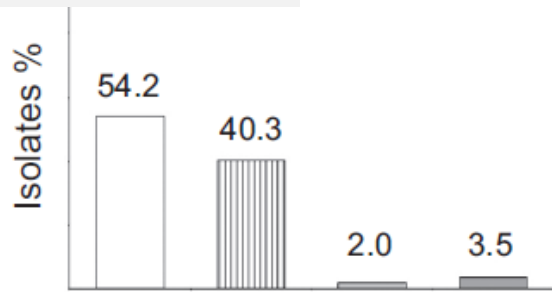


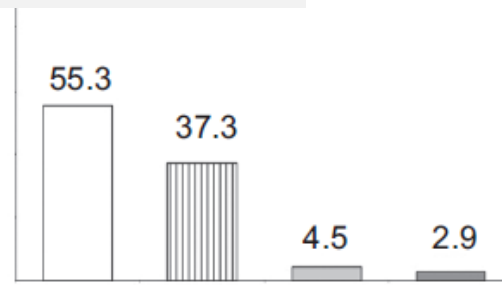
FIGURE 1. Percentage of sputum samples with an identified pathogen according to sputum colour. Data in the bars are presented as n/N.

Sputum color for bacterial AECOPD: Chronic bronchitis

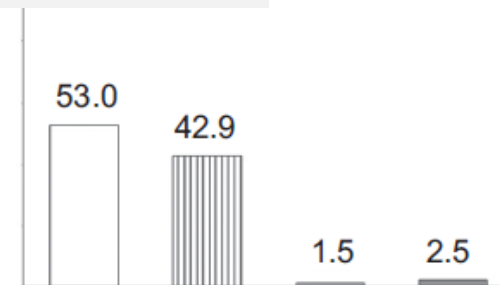
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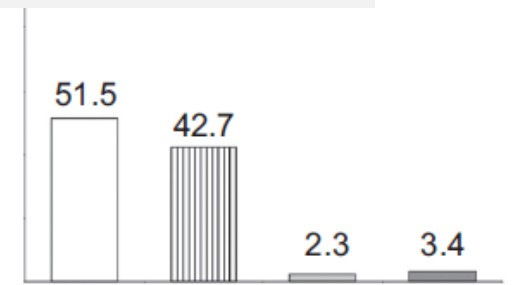
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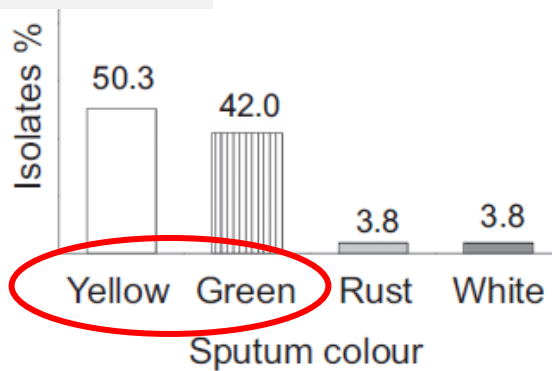
M.catarrhalis



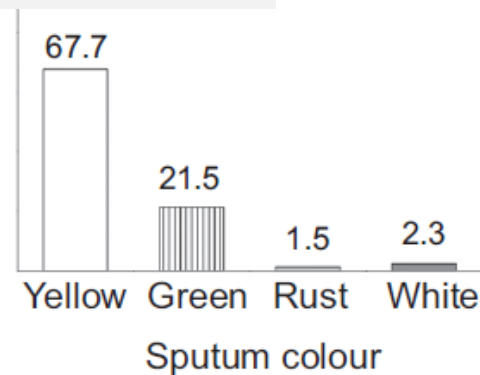
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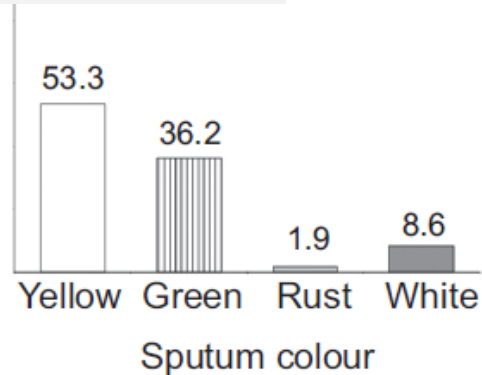
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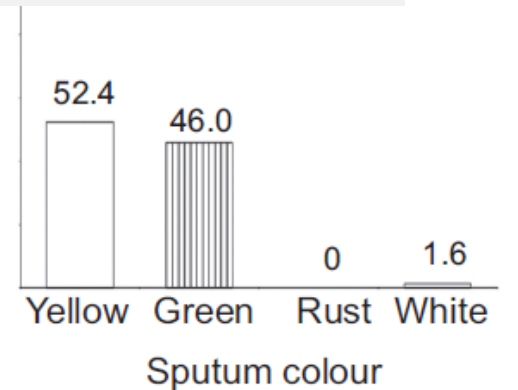
K.pneumoniae



P.aeruginosa



Haemophilus spp.

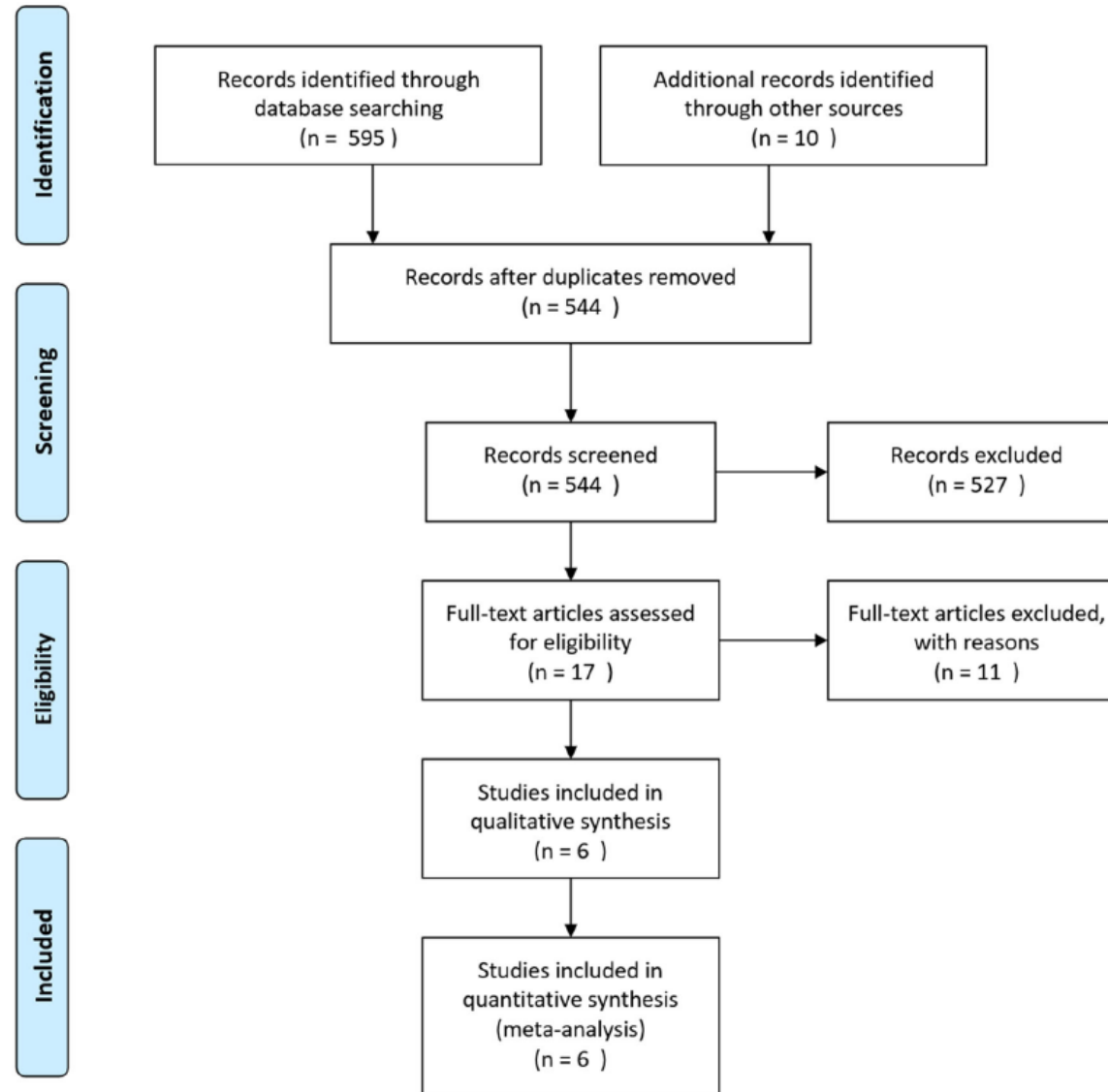


Sputum color for bacterial AECOPD: Chronic bronchitis

- Regression analyses of predicting the potential microorganism in sputum

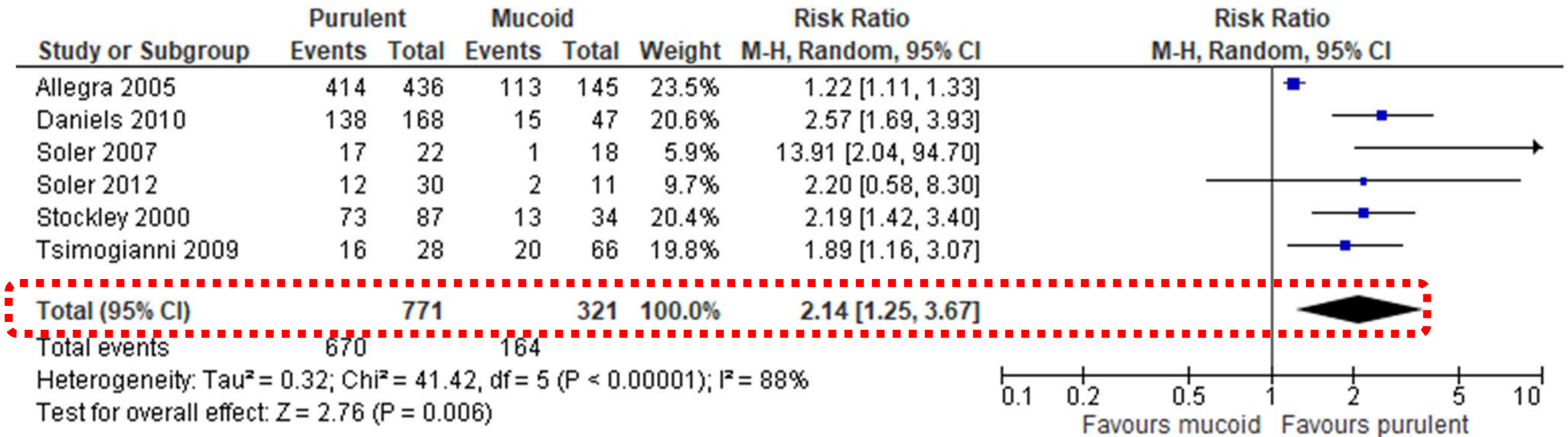
Variable	Wald Chi-squared	p-value	OR point estimate (95% CI)
Sputum colour	108.4	<0.001	
Yellow <i>versus</i> white			3.2 (2.3–4.2)
Green <i>versus</i> white			4.9 (3.6–6.8)
Rust <i>versus</i> white			2.3 (1.4–3.7)
Sputum aspect	27.0	<0.001	
Purulent <i>versus</i> mucoid			2.0 (1.6–2.5)
Purulent <i>versus</i> mucopurulent			1.1 (1.0–1.2)
Dyspnoea	6.6	0.036	
Increased <i>versus</i> not increased			1.27 (1.1–1.5)
Fever	14.8	0.001	
Absent <i>versus</i> present			1.3 (1.1–1.6)

Sputum purulence for bacterial AECOPD – Systematic review and meta-analysis



Sputum purulence for bacterial AECOPD – Systematic review and meta-analysis

- Forest plot of purulent versus mucoid sputum samples on sputum culture results.



Sputum purulence for bacterial AECOPD – Systematic review and meta-analysis

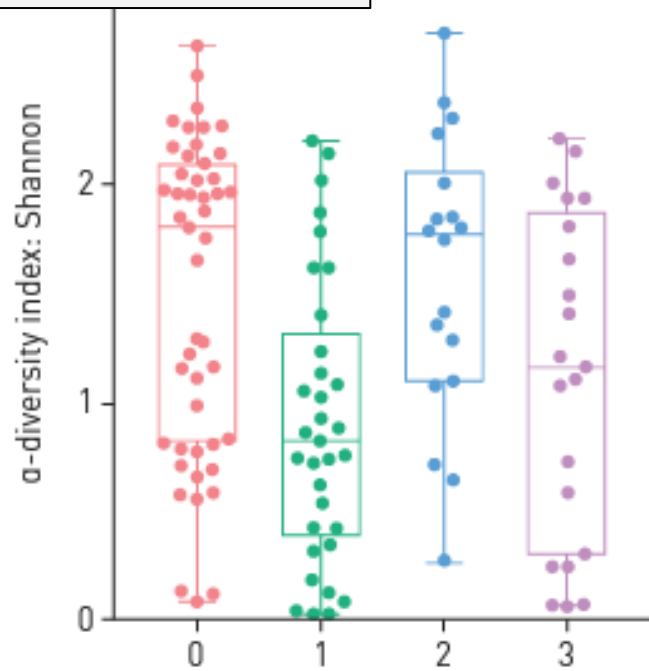
- GOLD - Sputum purulence → antibiotics for acute exacerbations
- In this study,
 - Sputum purulence - by visual assessment (subjectively or by a colored chart)
 - green or yellow sputum
 - Purulent vs. mucoid sputum: positive bacterial culture (RR = 2.14, 95%CI [1.25, 3.67], p = 0.006)

→ Supporting GOLD report

AECOPD classification - Sputum microbiome

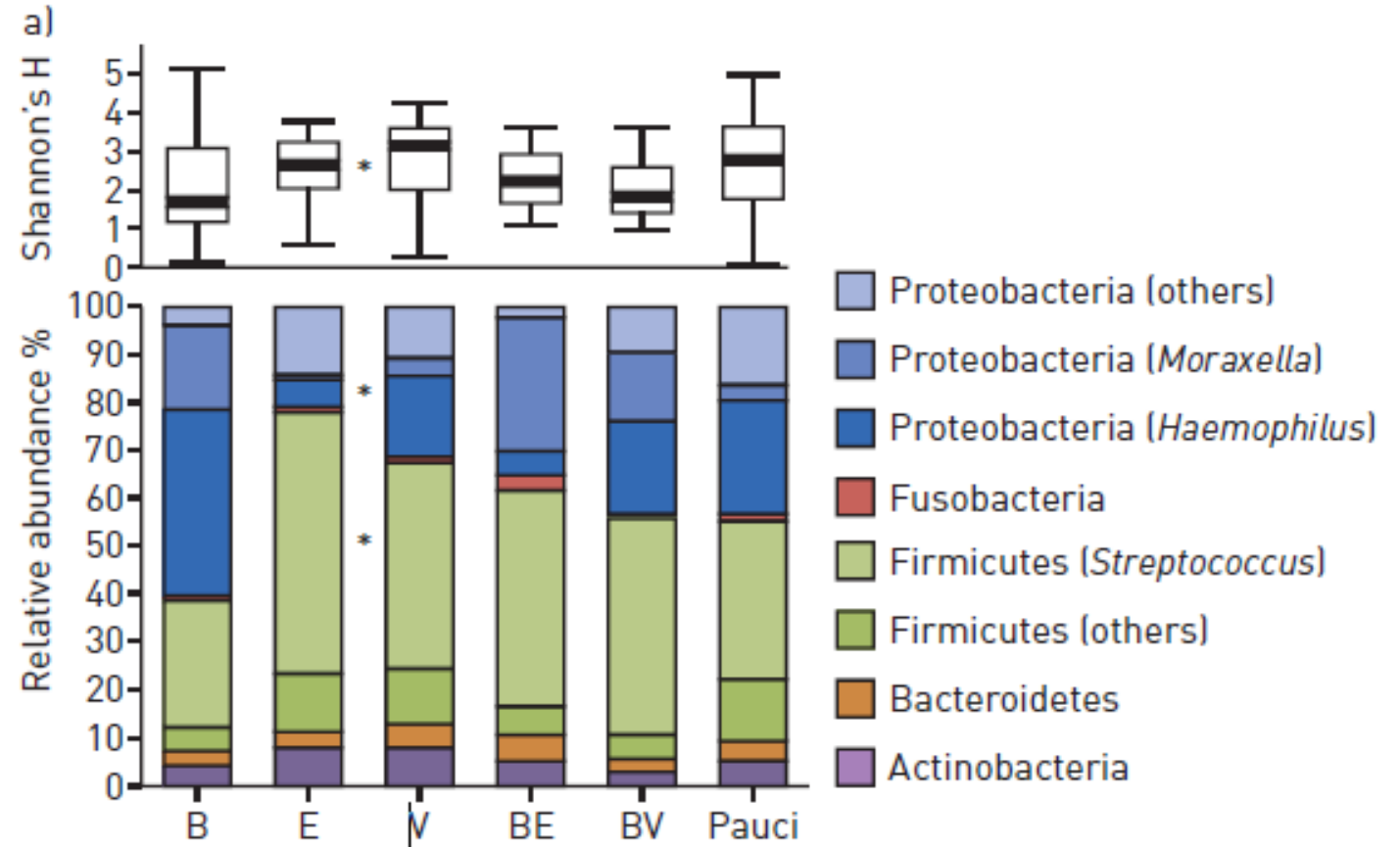
Sputum microbiome in AE: by AE phenotype

α -diversity index



Types of AE

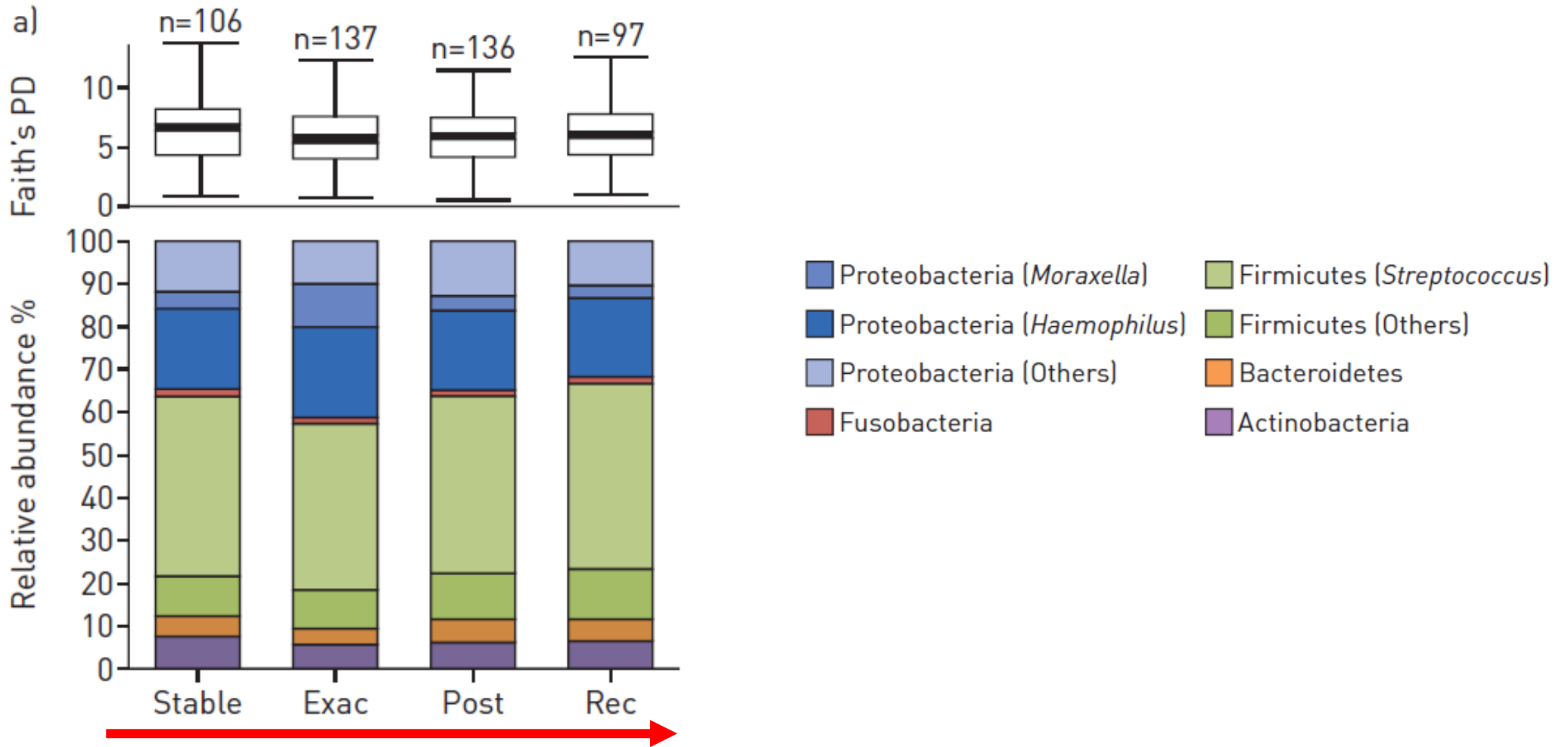
- 0=stable
- 1=bacterial exacerbation
- 2=eosinophilic exacerbation
- 3=viral exacerbation or unexplained exacerbation



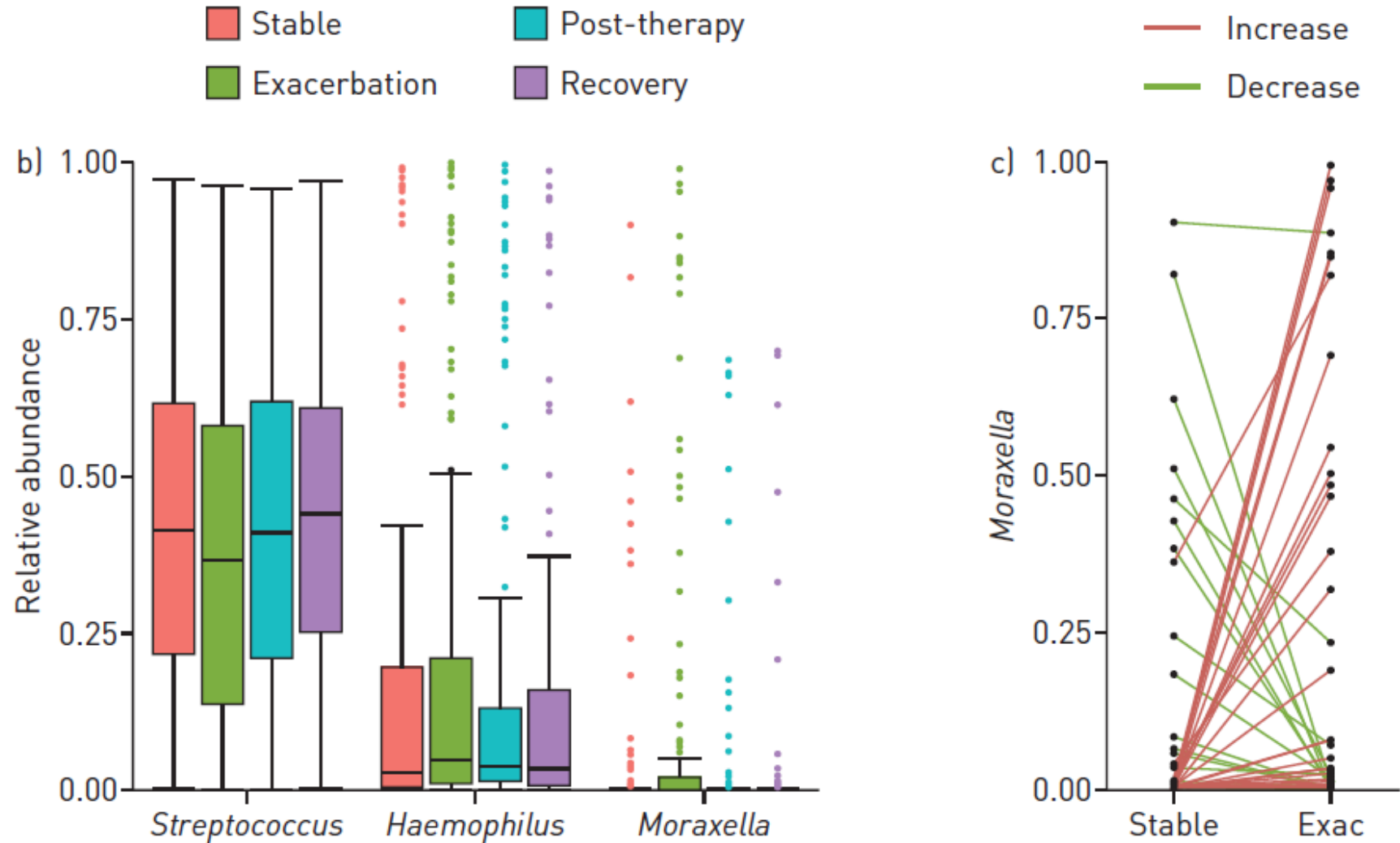
Types of AE

- B=Bacteria, E=Eosinophilic, V=Viral, Pauci=Pauci-inflammatory

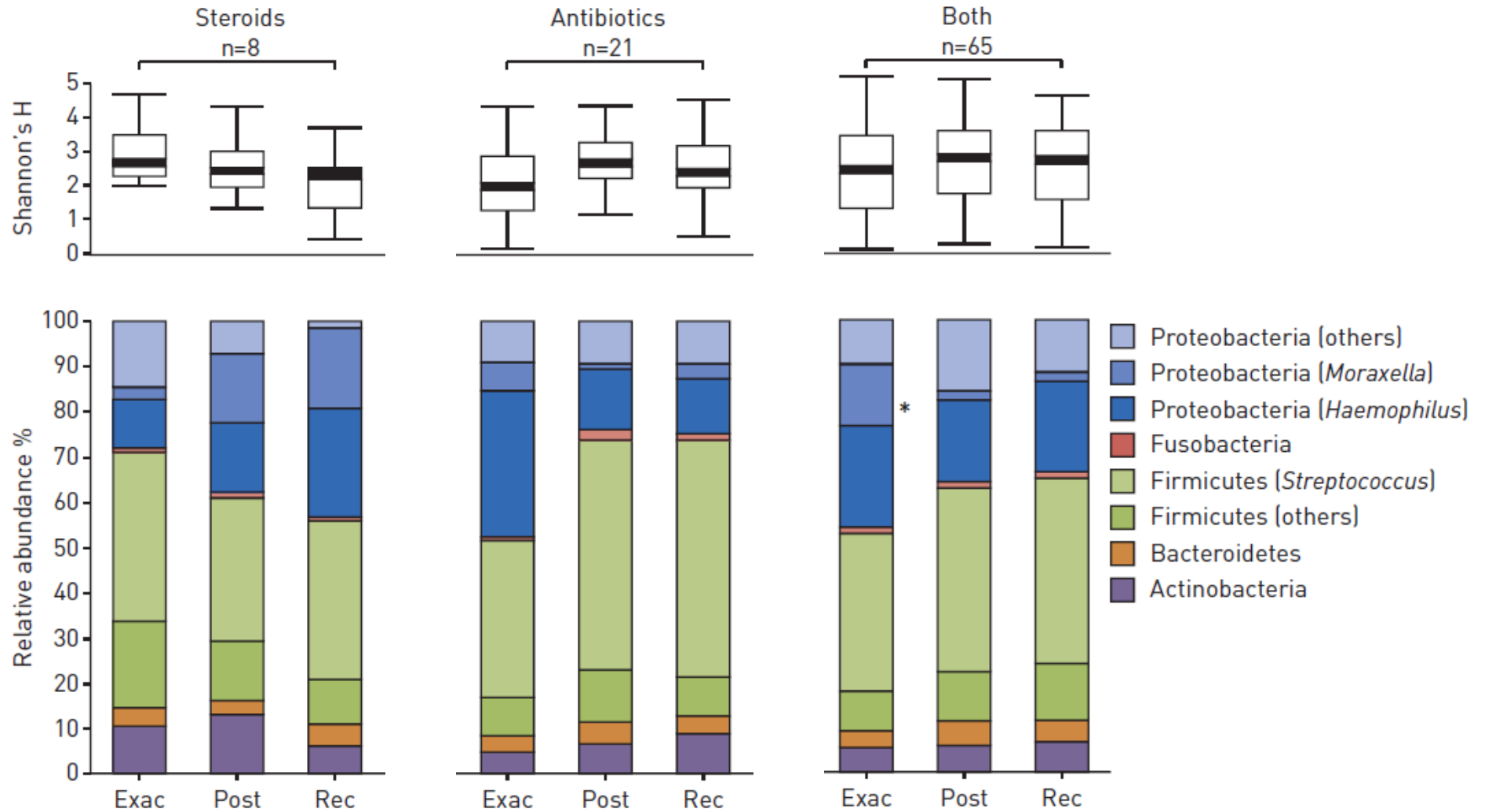
Sputum microbiome in AE: shifts during AE



Sputum microbiome in AE: shifts during AE



Sputum microbiome in AE: by medication



Sputum microbiome in AE: by inflammatory endotype

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Inflammatory Endotype–associated Airway Microbiome in Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease Clinical Stability and Exacerbations A Multicohort Longitudinal Analysis

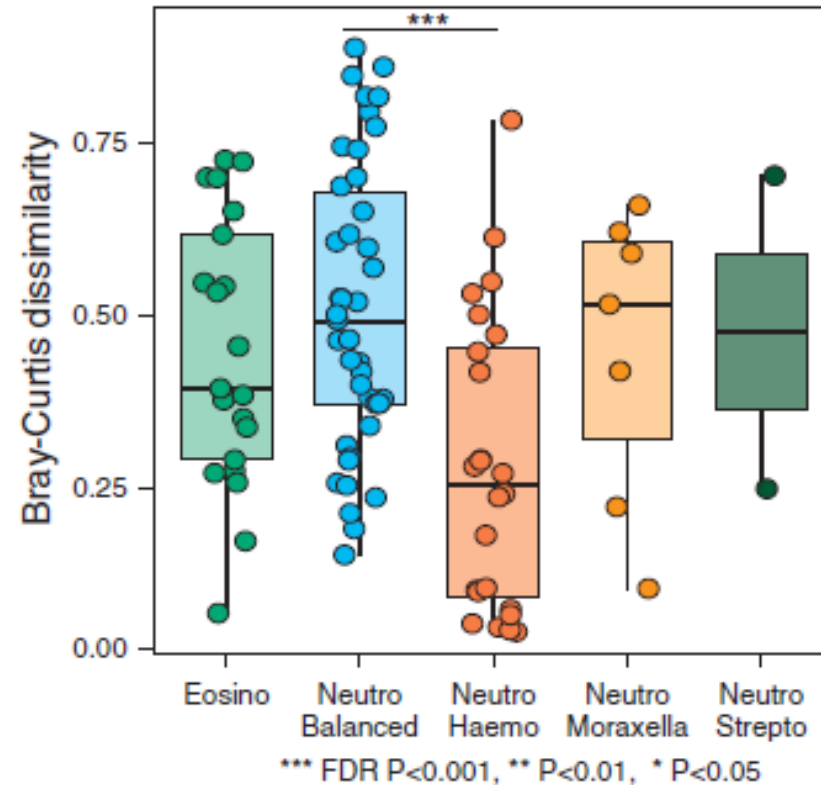
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COPDMAP			AERIS	BEAT-COPD
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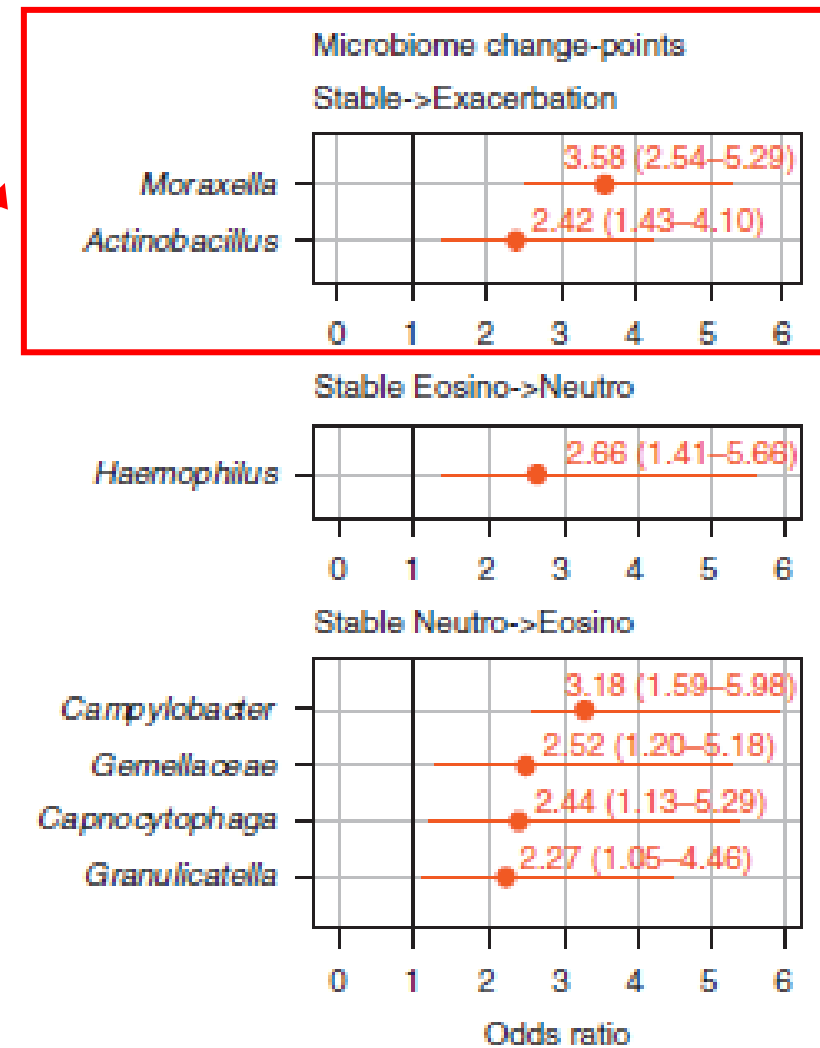
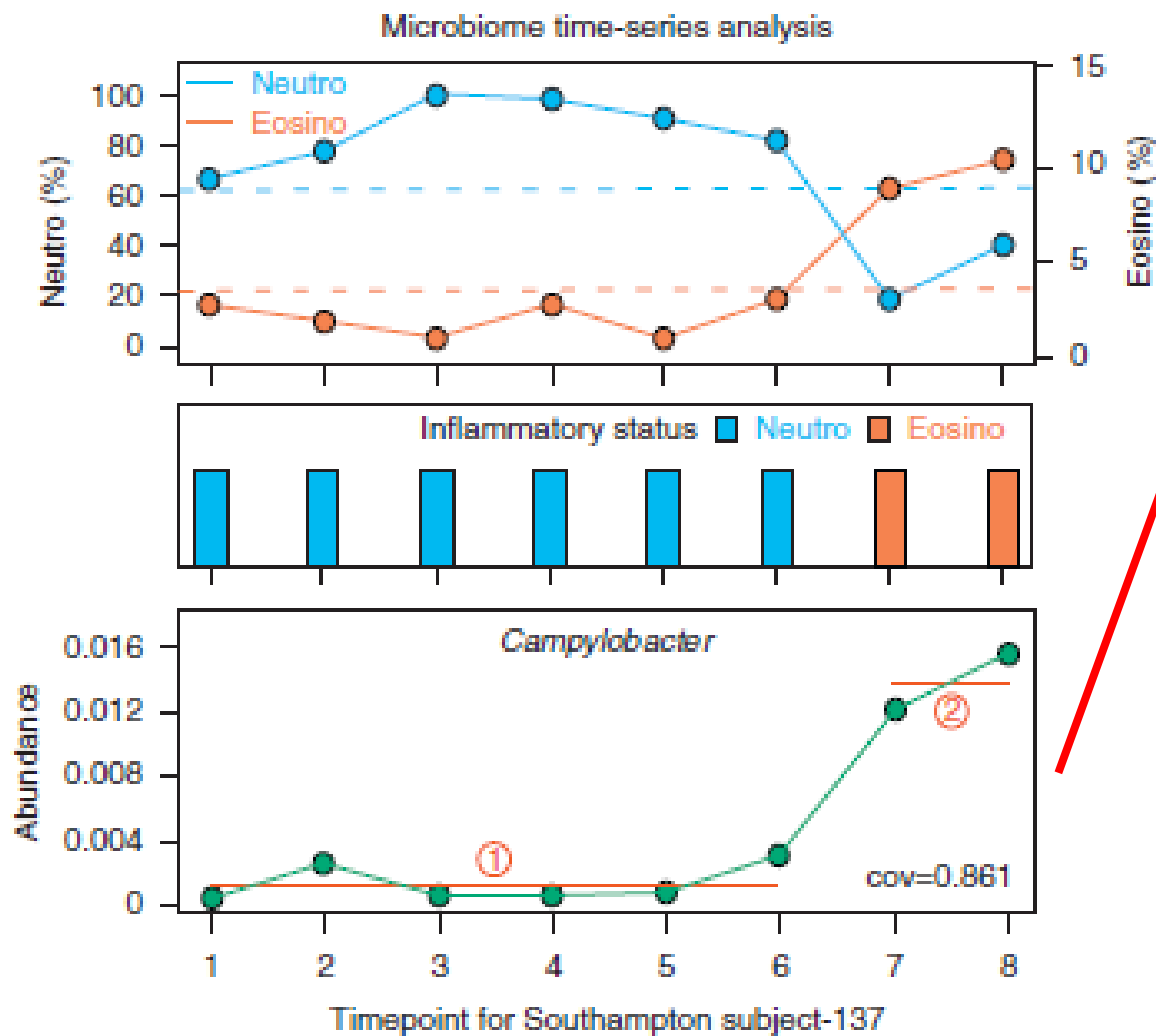
- Community grouped by inflammatory endotype: neutro-, eosino-, mixed-, pauci-
- Subgroup by dominant community microbiome type: Balanced-, Haemophilus-, Moraxella-, Strepto-

Sputum microbiome in AE: by inflammatory endotype

Dysbiosis at AE by subgroup



Sputum microbiome in AE: by inflammatory endotype



AECOPD classification – blood eosinophils

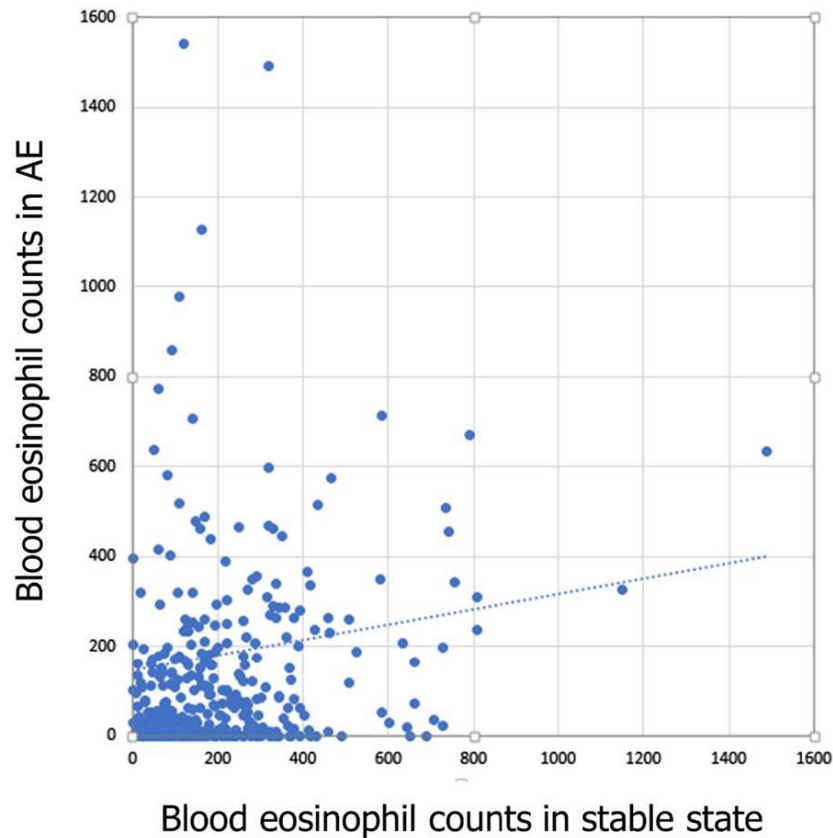
Stable blood eosinophil → Eosinophilic AE

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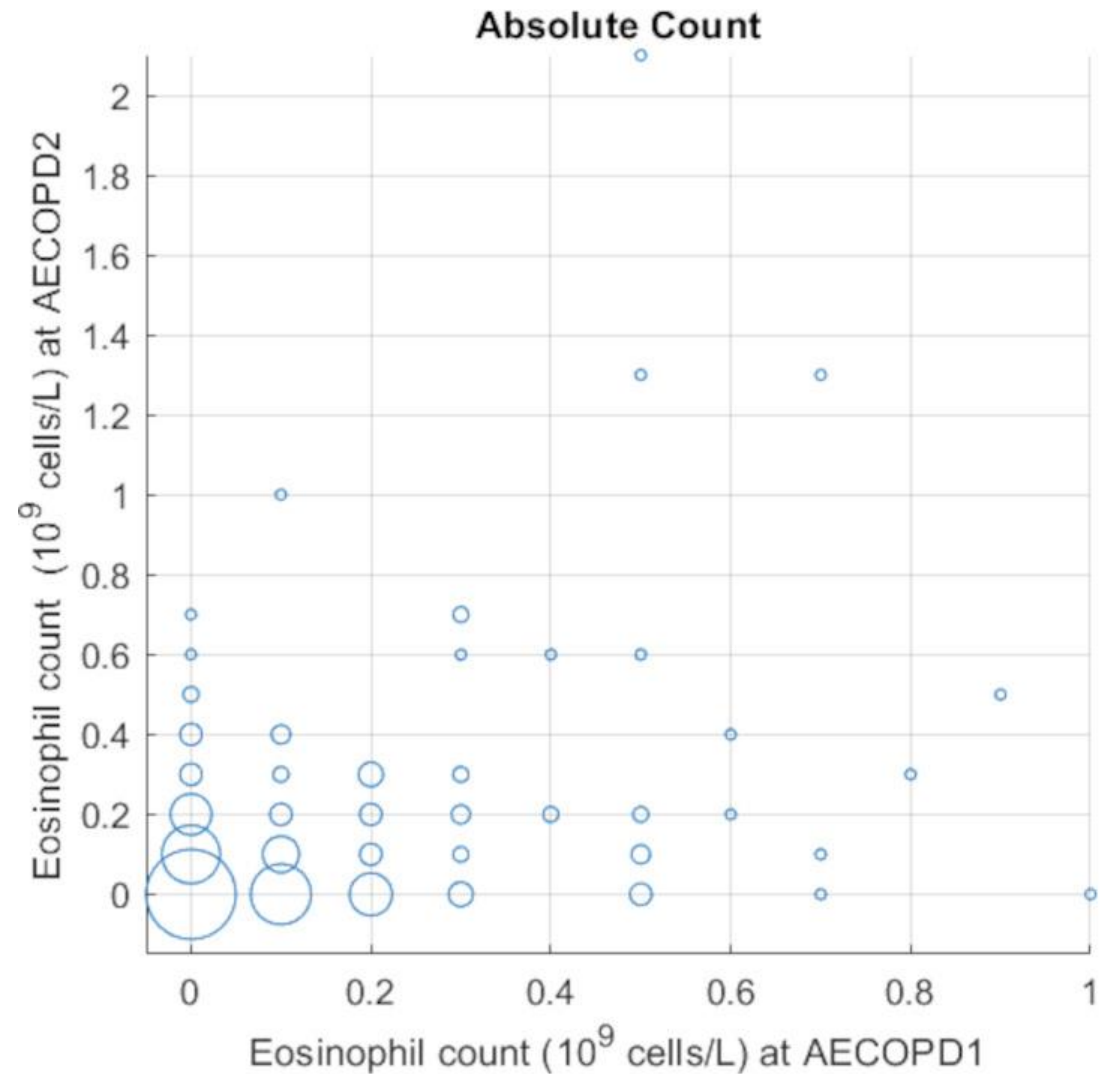
The association between eosinophilic exacerbation and eosinophilic levels in stable COPD

Hye Seon Kang, Sung Kyoung Kim, Yong Hyun Kim, Jin Woo Kim, Sang Haak Lee, Hyung Kyu Yoon and Chin Kook Rhee



Variables	OR	95% CI	P value
Eosinophilic exacerbations (cut off eosinophil 2%)			
Age	0.975	0.949–1.002	0.074
Male	2.542	1.347–4.799	0.004
Post BD FEV ₁ (%)	1.008	0.994–1.021	0.252
ICS containing inhaler	2.421	1.446–4.054	0.001
Eosinophilia at stable state (cut off eosinophil 300 cells/uL)	2.962	1.704–5.150	<0.001
Eosinophilic exacerbations (cut off eosinophil count 300 cells/uL)			
Age	0.951	0.920–0.984	0.003
Male	1.113	0.524–2.366	1.113
Post BD FEV ₁ (%)	1.011	0.995–1.028	1.011
ICS containing inhaler	1.921	0.977–3.777	0.059
Eosinophilia at stable state (cut off eosinophil 300 cells/uL)	3.129	1.608–6.089	0.001

Blood eosinophil in AE: diverse



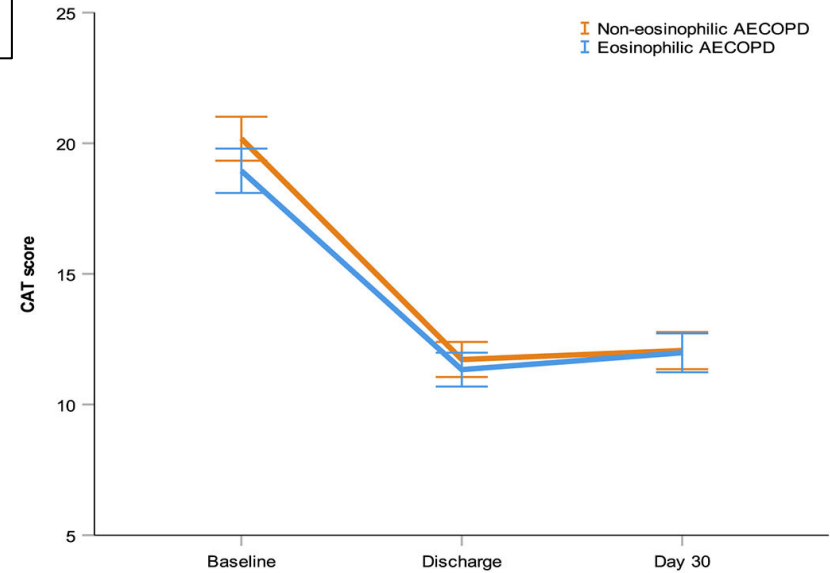
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Blood eosinophil in AE: not promising

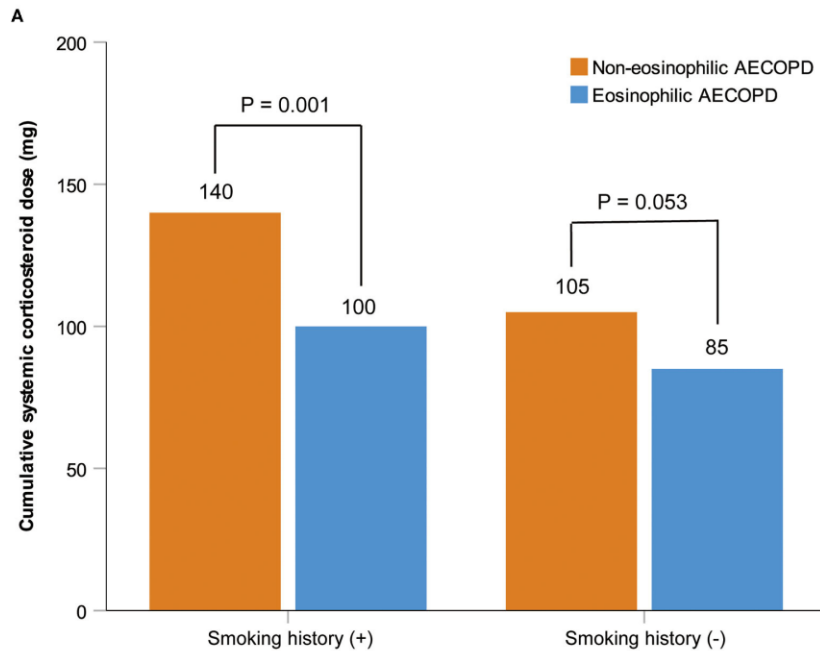
Blood Eosinophils and Clinical Outcomes in Patients With Acute Exacerbation of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease: A Propensity Score Matching Analysis of Real-World Data in China

Yanan Cui¹, Zijie Zhan¹, Zihang Zeng¹, Ke Huang^{2,3,4}, Chen Liang⁵, Xihua Mao⁵, Yaowen Zhang⁵, Xiaoxia Ren^{2,3,4}, Ting Yang^{2,3,4*} and Yan Chen^{1*}

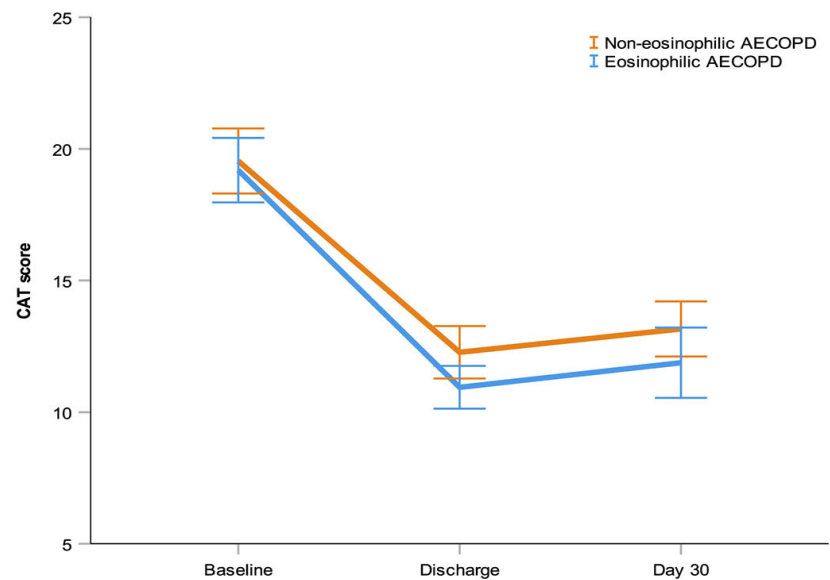
CAT score



Cumulative steroid exposure



Smoking history (n = 619)



No smoking history (n = 223)

Blood eosinophil in AE: not promising

Re-admission

	Readmission with AECOPD or death within 15 days		Readmission with AECOPD or death within 30 days	
	HR (95% CI) ^a	P-value	HR (95% CI) ^a	P-value
Overall (n = 850)				
Non-eosinophilic AECOPD	1 (Ref)		1 (Ref)	
Eosinophilic AECOPD	1.002 (0.300–3.346)	0.998	1.264 (0.572–2.793)	0.562
Smoking history (n = 619)				
Non-eosinophilic AECOPD	1 (Ref)		1 (Ref)	
Eosinophilic AECOPD	1.034 (0.267–4.005)	0.962	1.064 (0.425–2.665)	0.895

^aCox proportional hazards model.

AECOPD, acute exacerbations of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.

Blood eosinophil in AE: different stability 1Y F/U

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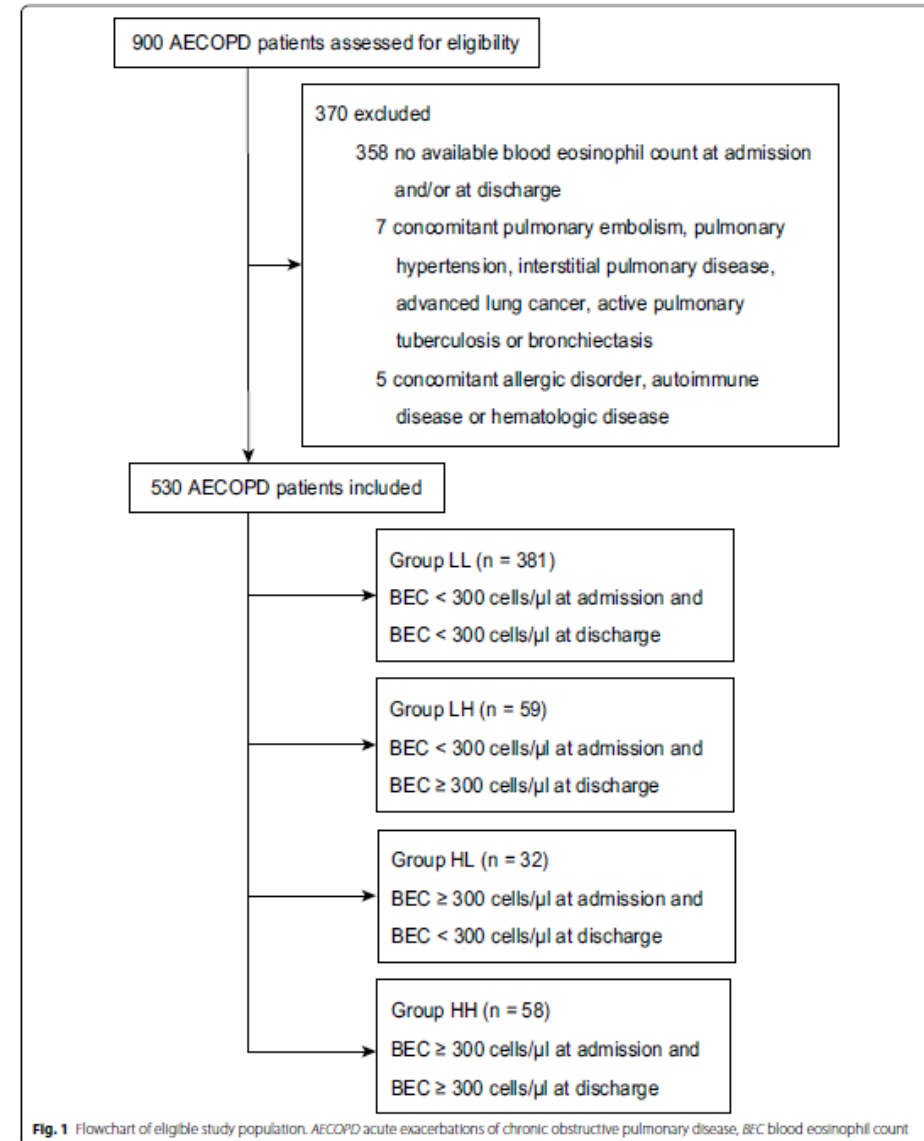
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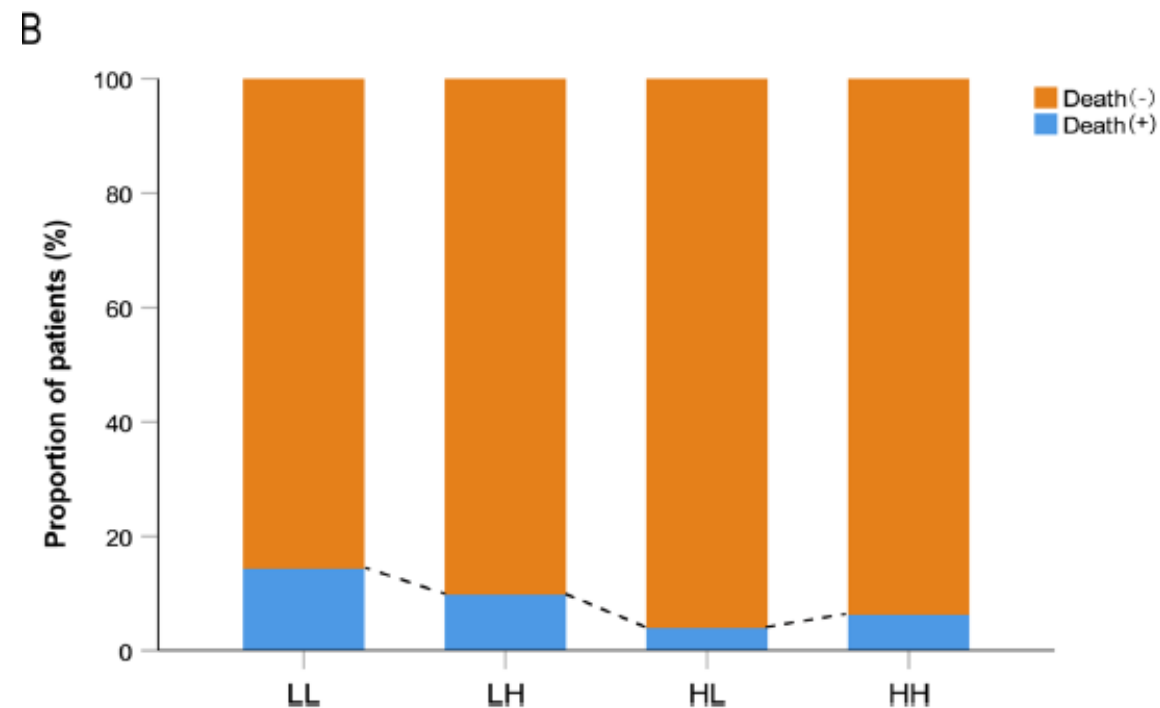
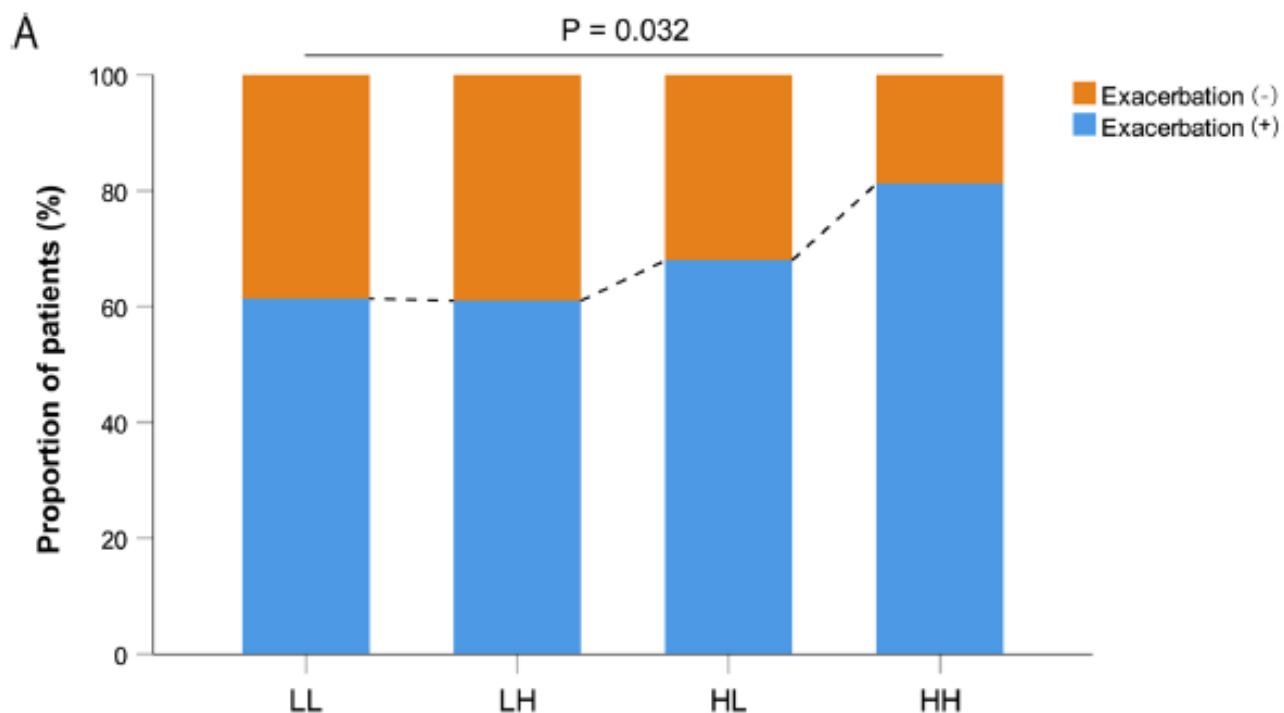


Blood eosinophil in AE: different stability 1Y F/U

LL: Adm (BEC <300) + D/C (BEC <300)
LH: Adm (BEC <300) + D/C (BEC >300)
HL: Adm (BEC >300) + D/C (BEC <300)
HH: Adm (BEC >300) + D/C (BEC >300)
*BEC: blood eosinophil count

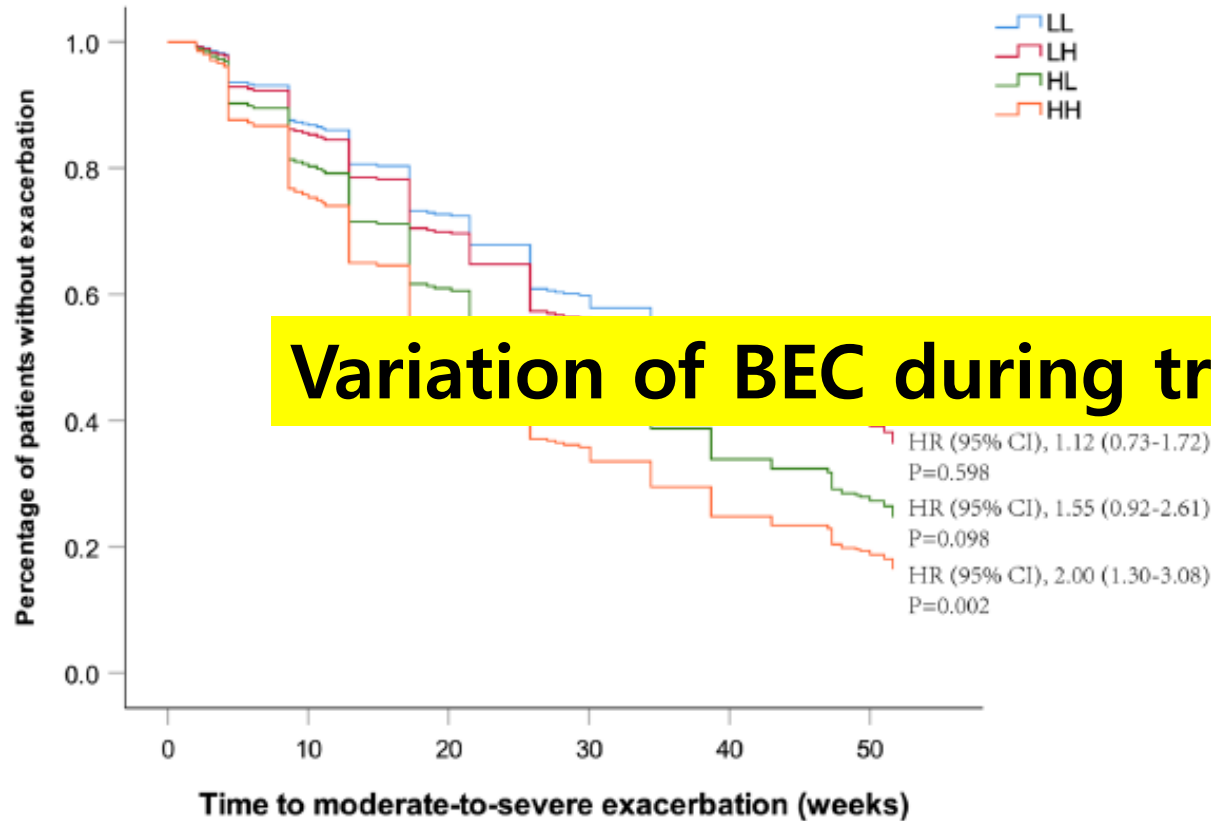
AE proportion, $p = 0.032$

Mortality: not significant



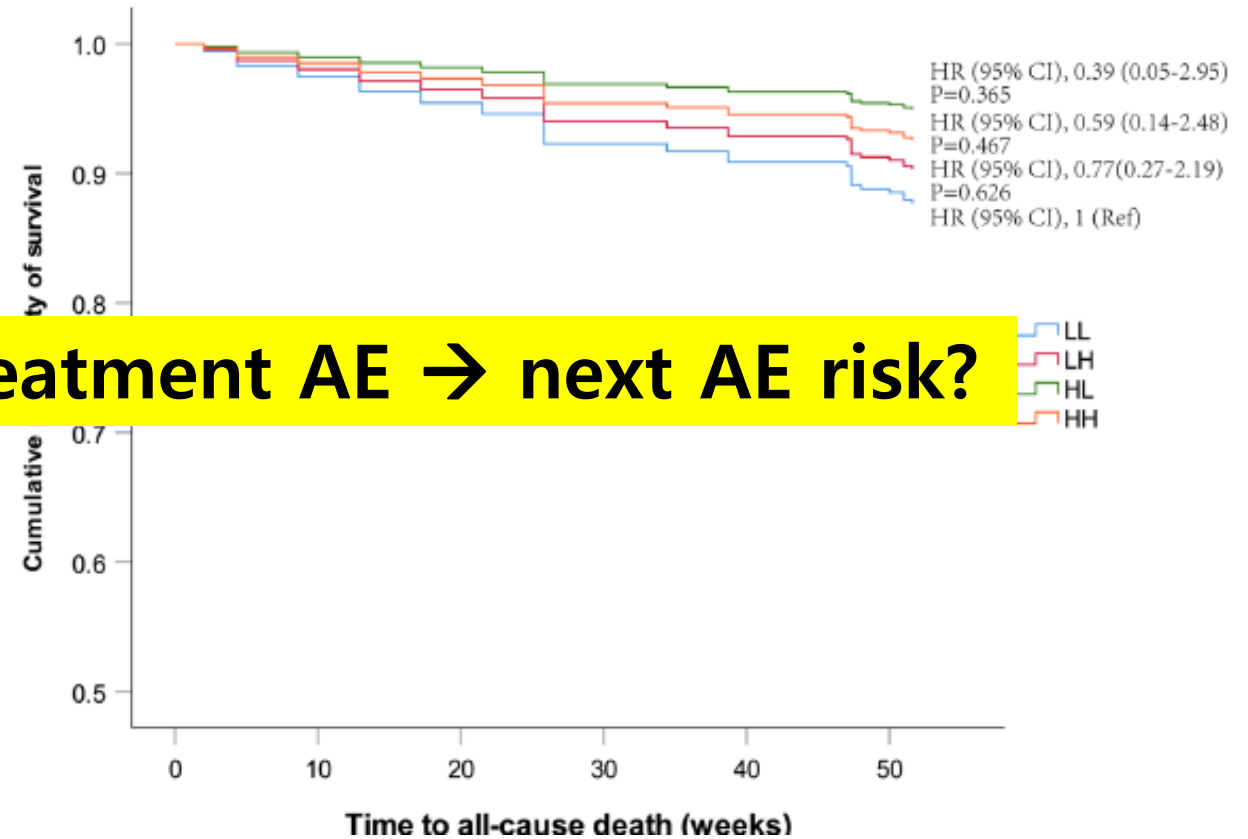
Blood eosinophil in AE: different stability 1Y F/U

Time-to first mod-sev AE



AE HR (HH vs. LL): 2.00 (95% CI 1.30-3.08), p = 0.002

All cause survival

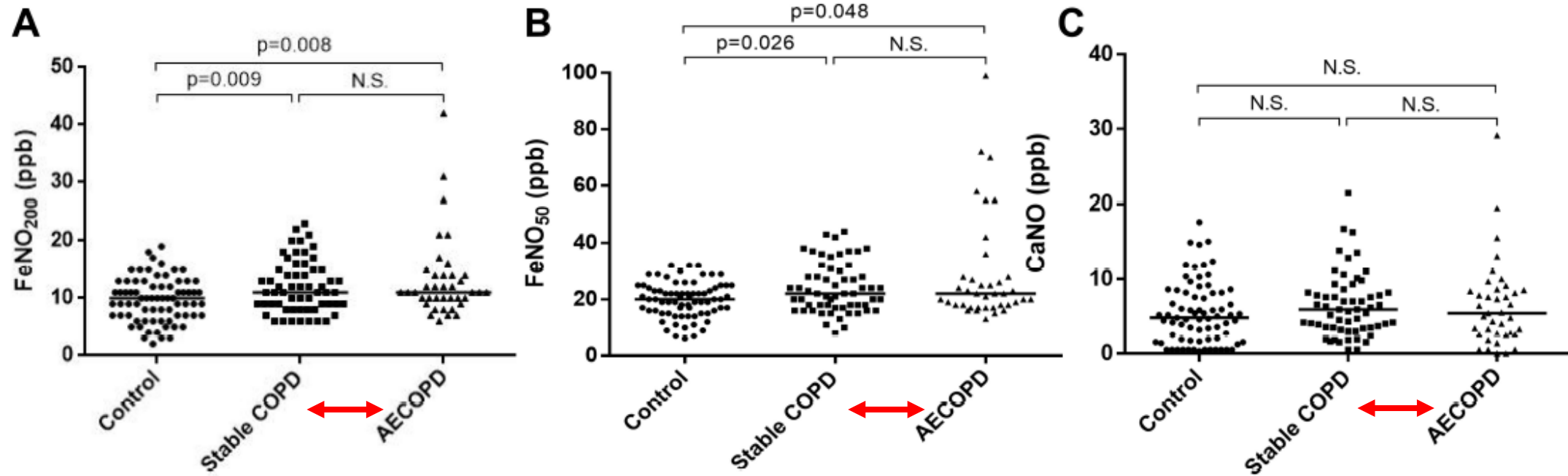


Gradually changed, but not statistical difference

AECOPD classification – FeNO

AECOPD classification: FeNO

Clinical Utility of Central and Peripheral Airway Nitric Oxide in Aging Patients with Stable and Acute Exacerbated Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease



AECOPD classification: FeNO by different COPD phenotype

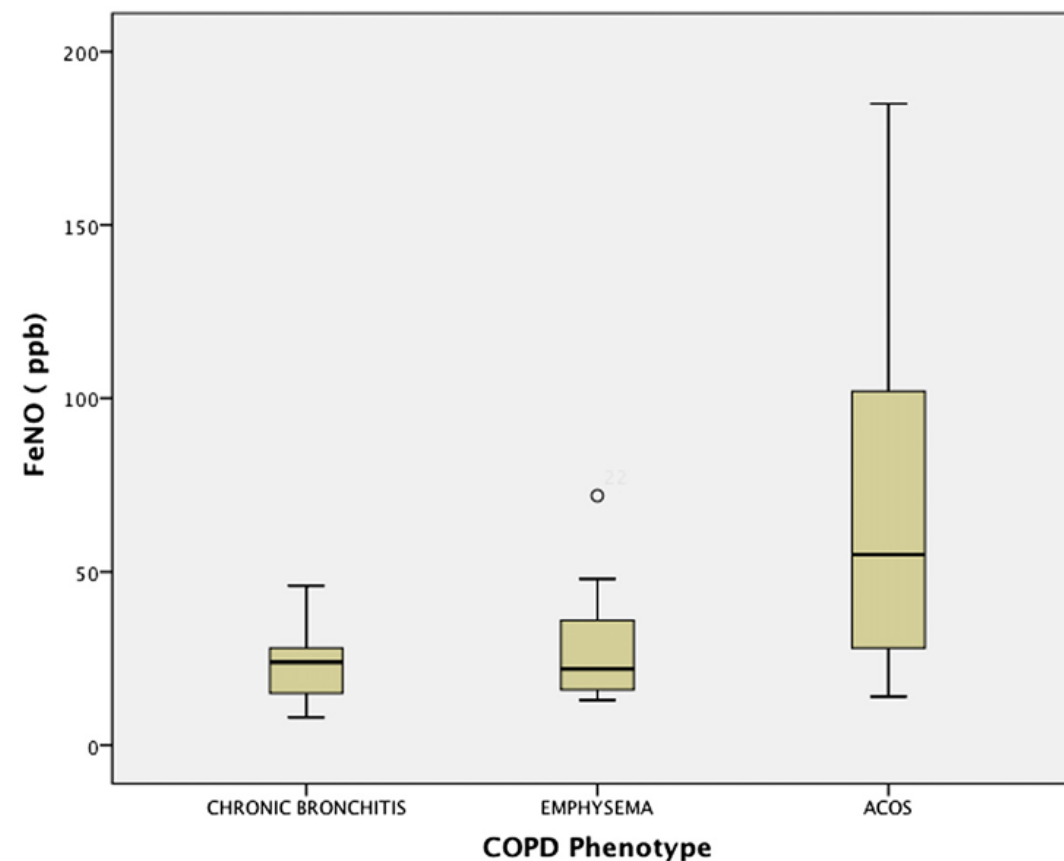
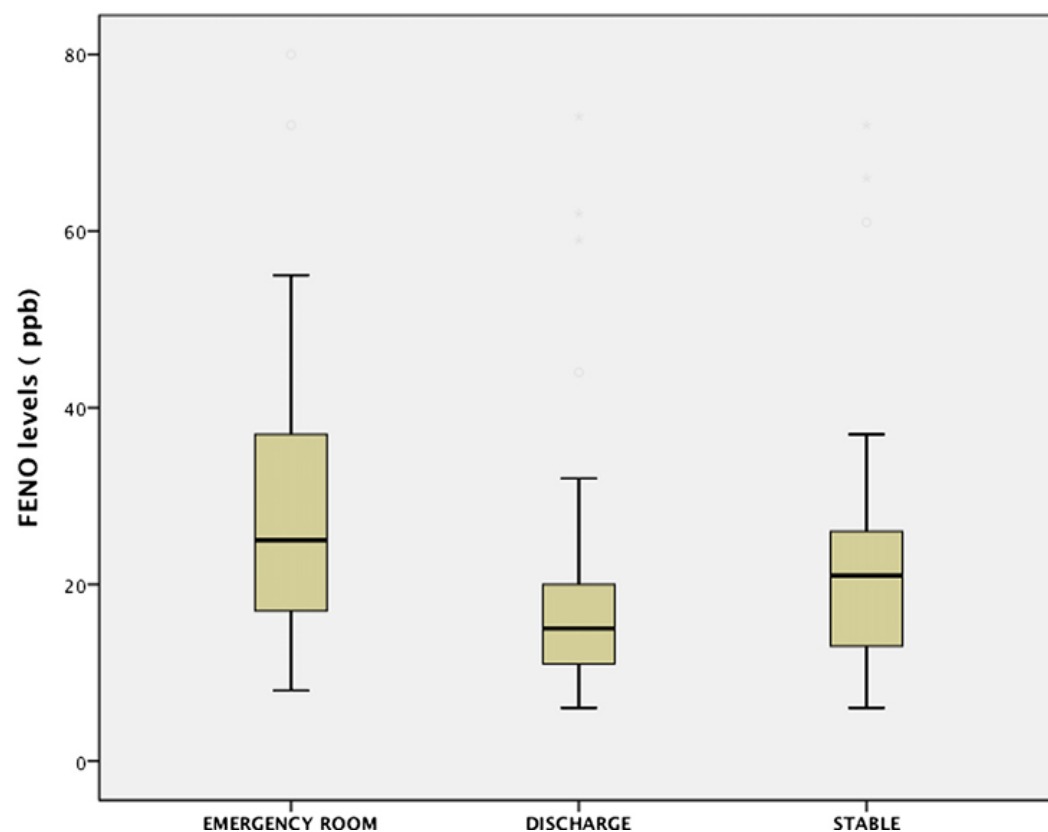
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Value of Exhaled Nitric Oxide (FeNO) And Eosinophilia During the Exacerbations of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease Requiring Hospital Admission

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Summary - 1

- Heterogeneity of AECOPD
 - 1st step of understanding personalized management
 - Various definition
 - Various phenotype
 - Etiology (bacteria, virus, environmental), Inflammation (neutrophilic, eosinophilic), comorbidities etc.
 - 4 categories: bacteria-, viral-, eosinophilic-, pauci-inflammatory-
 - Sputum color: Greenish, Yellowish ↔ Whitish-Grey
 - Sputum purulence: Purulent ↔ Mucoid
 - Sputum microbiome
 - Status AE: diversity, composition
 - + affected by time, medication, inflammatory endotype
 - Blood Eosinophil
 - Baseline level in stable COPD, Stability during AE
 - FeNO: not different? Different by phenotype of COPD such as ACO?

AECOPD Management

Management of AECOPD

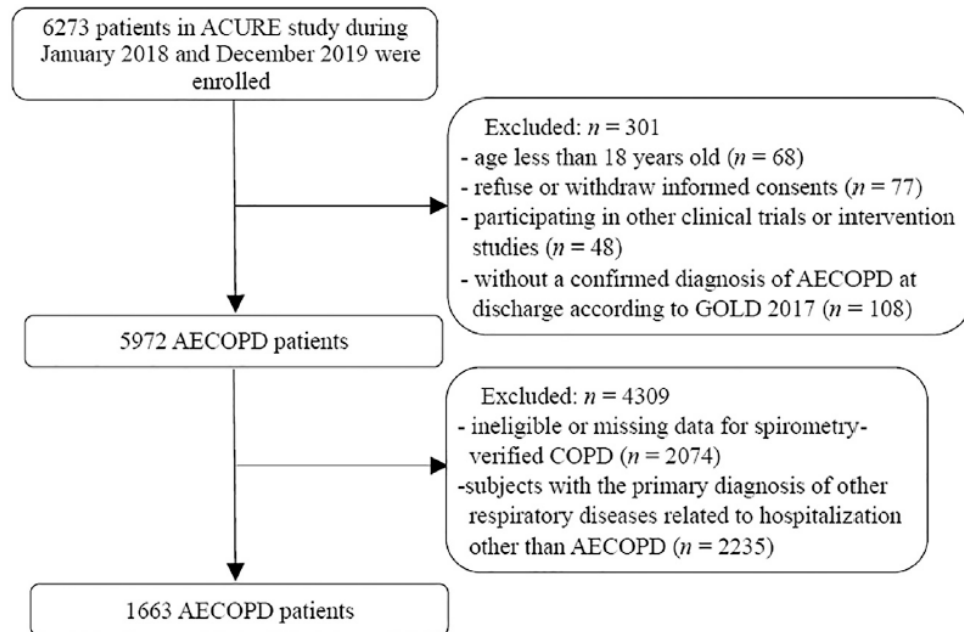
- **Keys of AECOPD**
 - Bronchodilator
 - **Systemic corticosteroid**
 - **Antibiotics**

AECOPD management - Antibiotics

Real-world antibiotics use in AECOPD



Real-world antibiotic use in treating acute exacerbations of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (AECOPD) in China: Evidence from the ACURE study



Characteristics	Overall (n=1434)
Types of antibiotic use	
Monotherapy	1102 (76.8)
Combination therapy with ≥ 2 antibiotics	332 (23.2)
Duration of antibiotic use, days (n=1400)	9.0 (7.0 – 11.0)
Routes of antibiotic use	
Oral	18 (1.3)
Intravenous	1400 (97.6)
Oral + intravenous	15 (1.0)
Oral + nebulized	1 (0.1)

Percentage of real-world antibiotics use = 1434/1663 (86.2%)

Different effect of antibiotics on AECOPD

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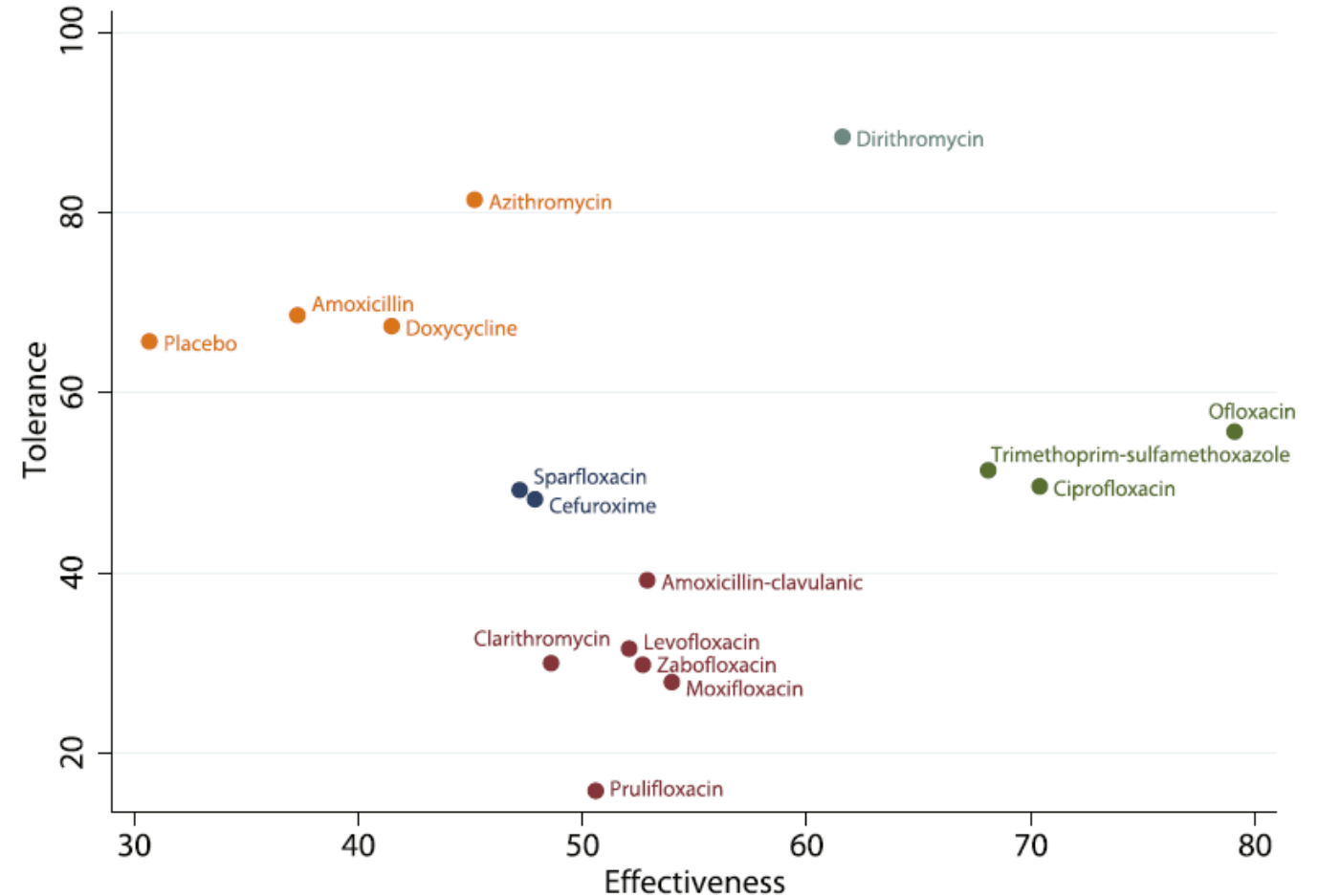
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Antibiotics for treatment of acute exacerbation of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease: a network meta-analysis



Different effect on different antibiotics

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Antibiotics resistance in COPD: systematic review

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REVIEW

Prevalence, Pattern, Risks Factors and Consequences of Antibiotic Resistance in COPD: A Systematic Review

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		Resistance rate (number of samples resistant/number of samples tested, %)															
Microorganism	State	Penicillin	Ampicillin ^p / Amoxicillin ^x	Co-amoxiclav	Tetracycline ^t / Doxycycline ^d	Quinolones, Ciprofloxacin ^c / Levofloxacin ^l	Macrolides ^x , Azithromycin ^a / Erythromycin ^e / Clarithromycin ^c	Cefuroxime									
<i>H. influenzae</i>																	
Median, range (%)			39.7	20.4–73.3	1.85	0–40	0.5	0.2–6.7	0	0–0	4	0–46.7	0.2	0–0.5			
Maddi et al. [55]	Stable		11/15 ^p 8/15 ^x	(73.3) (53.3)	6/15 (40)	1/15 ^t (6.7)	0/15 ^{c,l} (0)	3/15 ^a (20)	7/15 ^e (46.7)	4/15 ^c (26.7)							
Pettigrew et al. [56]	Mixed						0/100 ^{c,l} (0)	1/100 ^a (1)									
Pfaller et al. [57]	AE		–/– ^p (26)	–/– (0)	–/– ^t (0.2)	–/– ^{c,l} (0)	–/– ^a (1)	–/– ^c (7)	–/– (0)	–/– (0.5)							
Pfaller et al. [58]	AE		–/– ^p (20.4)	–/– (3.7)	–/– ^d (0.5)	–/– ^{c,l} (0)	–/– ^c (0)	–/– (7.3)	–/– (0)	–/– (0.6)							
Querol-Ribelles et al. [59]	AE				–/– (0)	–/– ^{c,l} (0)	–/– ^a (0)	–/– ^c (0.6)									

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<i>P. aeruginosa</i> Median, range (%) Gallego et al. [60]	Mixed					51.3 41/78 ^c 39/78 ^l	50–52.6 (52.6) (50)		19.2 15/78	19.2–19.2 (19.2)	2.6 2/78	2.6–2.6 (2.6)			
<i>S. pneumoniae</i> Median, range (%) Desai et al. [27] Pfaller et al. [57] Pfaller et al. [58] Querol-Ribelles et al. [59]	Mixed AE AE AE	11.3 6/75 -/- 13/89 -/-	3–15 (8) (15) (14.6) (3)	1.2 -/- ^x	1.2–1.2 (1.2)	1.2 -/-	1.1–3 (3)	22.1 -/- ^t	20.2–24 (24)	1 -/- ^l	0–4.2 (1)	33.1 18/75 ^e	24–35 (24) (35)	16.9 18/89	13.6–20.2 (20.2) (13.6)
<i>M. catarrhalis</i> Median, range (%) Pfaller et al. [57] Pfaller et al. [58] Querol-Ribelles et al. [59]	AE AE AE	93 (93)	93–93 (93)	90.4 -/- ^p	90.4–90.4 (90.4)	0 -/-	0–0 (0)	0.5 1/323 ^t	0.3–0.7 (0.7)	0 -/- ^{cl}	0–0 (0)	2 -/- ^e	0–3.7 (2) (3.7)	0 0/323	0–0 (0) (0)

Higher % of AMR (antimicrobial resistance rate) in non-hospitalized patients (AECOPD)

→ Need of proper guidance

Antibiotics guidance by point-of-CRP

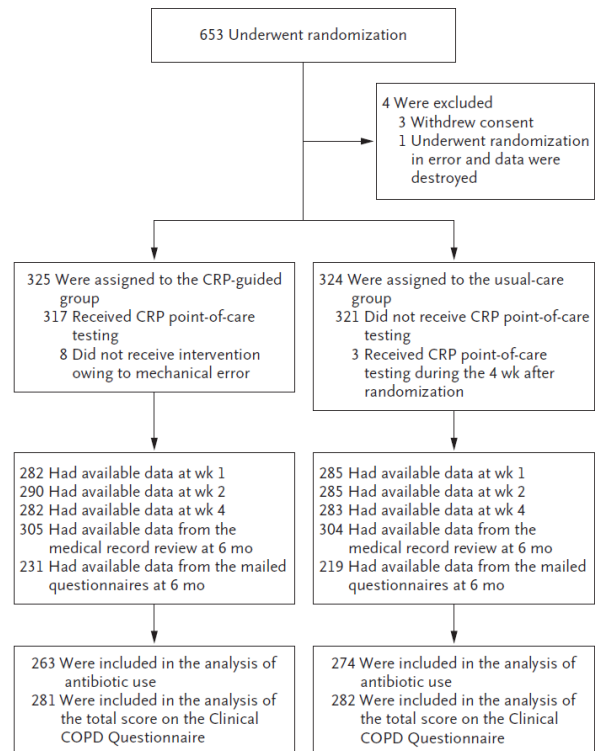
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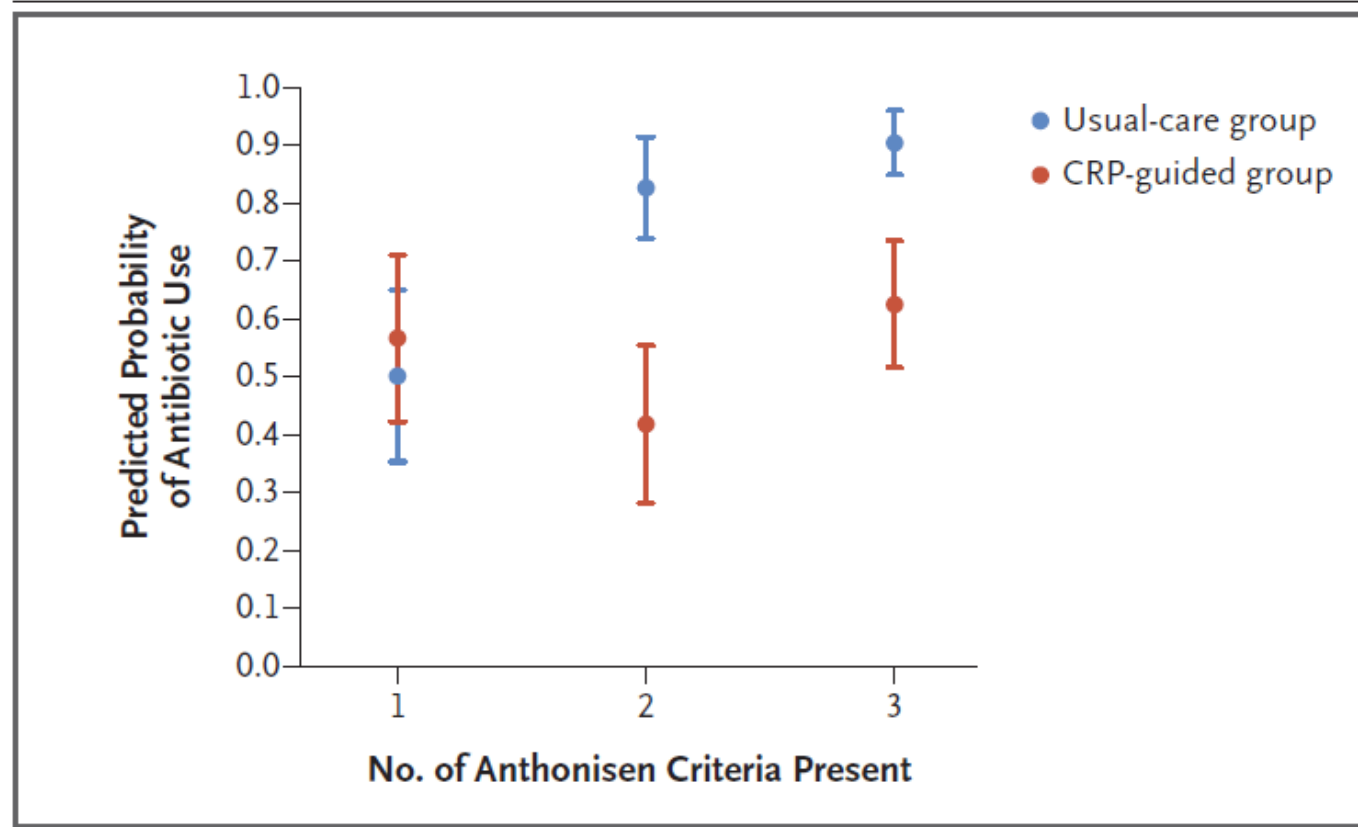
C-Reactive Protein Testing to Guide Antibiotic Prescribing for COPD Exacerbations



- For primary clinic patients
- Not enough clinical features for AECOPD (e.g. the Anthonisen criteria) → Point-of-care testing of CRP
- CRP guidance in this study
 - < 20 : antibiotics unlikely
 - 20-40 : may be beneficial → consider Antibiotics (if purulent sputum, underlying disease, AE severity)
 - > 40 : likely to be beneficial → prescribe Antibiotics (unless lower risk, unlikely to bacterial infection, or non-severe)

Butler et al. N Engl J Med 2019;381:111-20.

Antibiotics guidance by point-of-CRP



Antibiotics guidance by point-of-CRP

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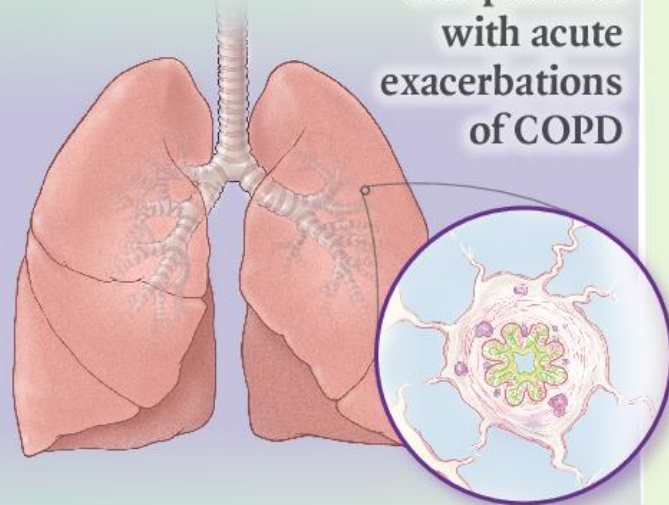
CRP Testing to Guide Antibiotic Prescribing for COPD

MULTICENTER, RANDOMIZED TRIAL

Patient-reported use of antibiotics within
4 wk after randomization

CRP-Guided
Care

57.0%



653 patients
with acute
exacerbations
of COPD

Usual
Care

77.4%

Adjusted OR, 0.31 (95% CI, 0.20 to 0.47)

Lower antibiotics use than conventional group in point-of-CRP group
with no inferiority of clinical outcomes

Antibiotics guidance by Procalcitonin



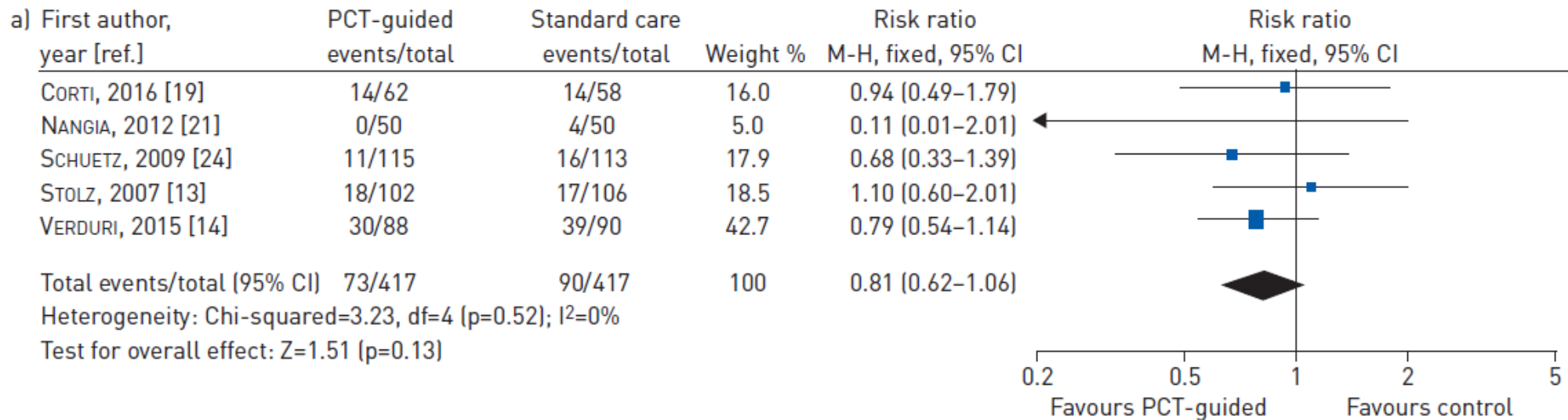
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Procalcitonin to guide antibiotic administration in COPD exacerbations: a meta-analysis

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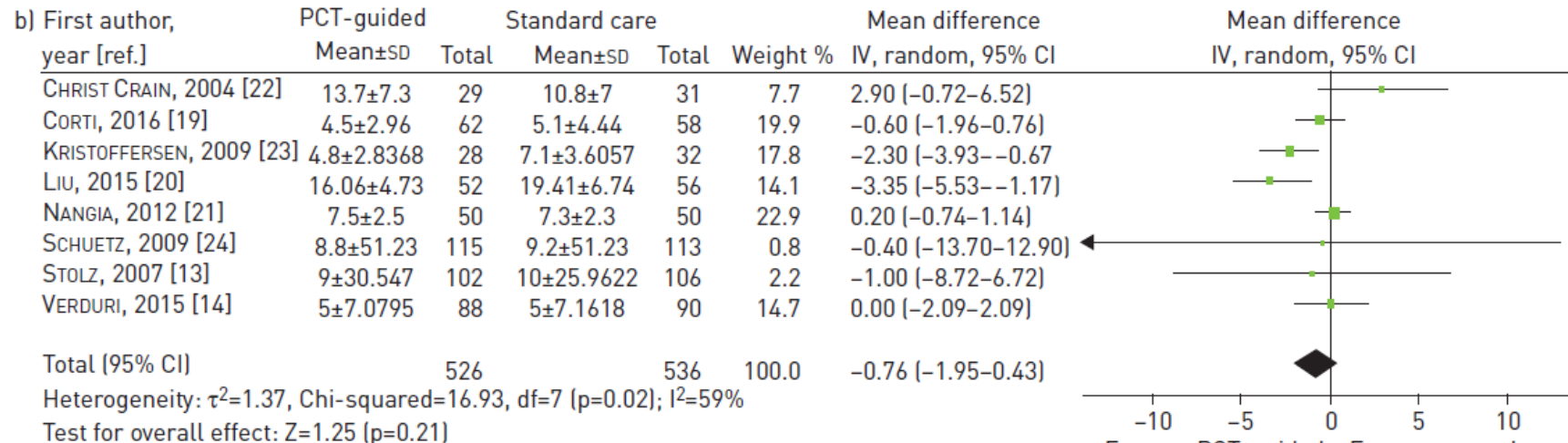
Antibiotics Cut-off Procalcitonin level: 0.25ug/L

Treatment failure: symptom deterioration, non-improvement, ICU admission, death within 4 wks

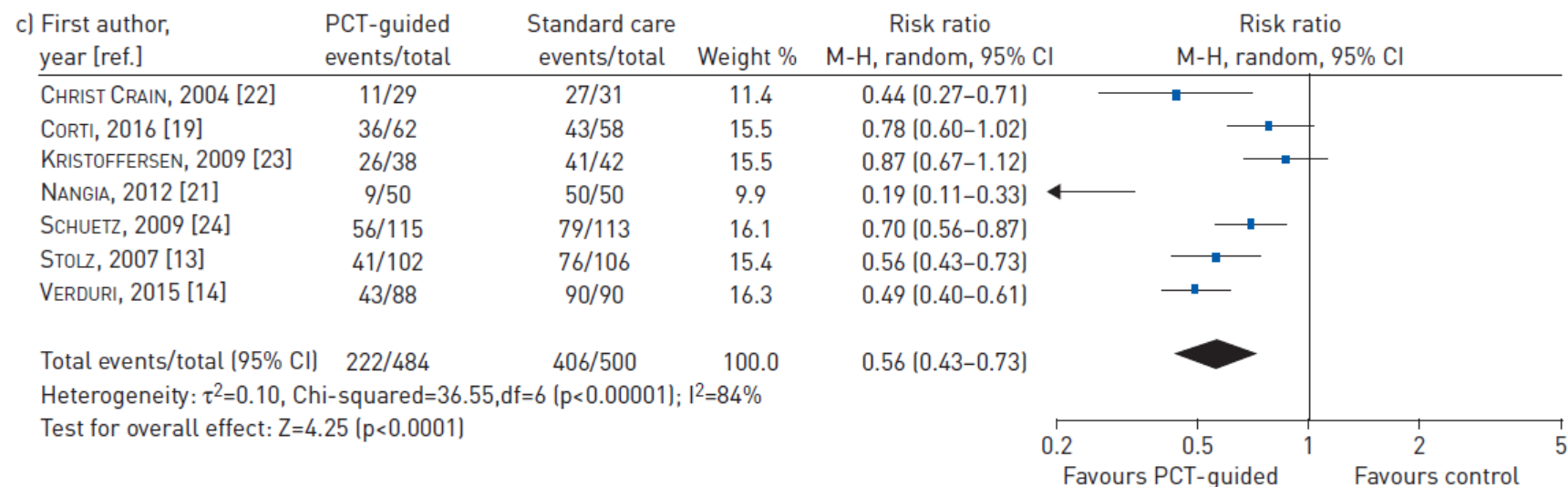


Antibiotics guidance by Procalcitonin

Hospital LOS



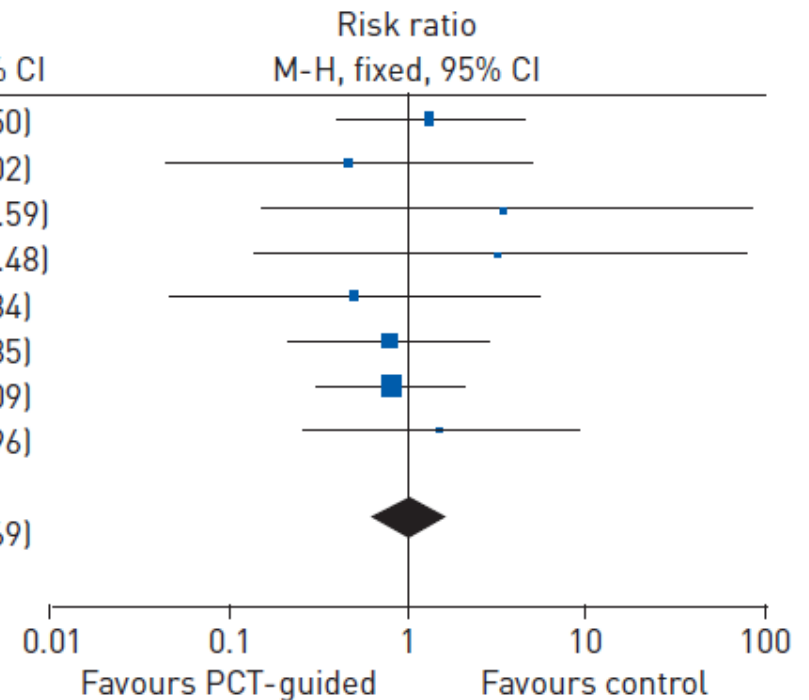
Antibiotics exposure



Antibiotics guidance by Procalcitonin

Overall mortality at longest f/u

d) First author, year [ref.]	PCT-guided events/total	Standard care events/total	Weight %	Risk ratio M-H, fixed, 95% CI
CHRIST CRAIN, 2004 [22]	5/29	4/31	15.6	1.34 (0.40–4.50)
CORTI, 2016 [19]	1/62	2/58	8.4	0.47 (0.04–5.02)
KRISTOFFERSEN, 2009 [23]	1/28	0/32	1.9	3.41 (0.14–80.59)
LIU, 2015 [20]	1/52	0/56	1.9	3.23 (0.13–77.48)
NANGIA, 2012 [21]	1/50	2/50	8.1	0.50 (0.05–5.34)
SCHUETZ, 2009 [24]	4/115	5/113	20.4	0.79 (0.22–2.85)
STOLZ, 2007 [13]	7/102	9/106	35.7	0.81 (0.31–2.09)
VERDURI, 2015 [14]	3/88	2/90	8.0	1.53 (0.26–8.96)
Total events/total (95% CI)	23/526	24/536	100.0	0.99 (0.58–1.69)
Heterogeneity: Chi-squared=2.59, df=7 (p=0.92); I ² =0%				
Test for overall effect: Z=0.05 (p=0.96)				



Probable benefit of PCT-guided treatment → need of validation in proper setting

Brennan et al. *Respiratory Research* (2022) 23:58
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REVIEW

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Antimicrobial therapies for prevention of recurrent acute exacerbations of COPD (AECOPD): beyond the guidelines

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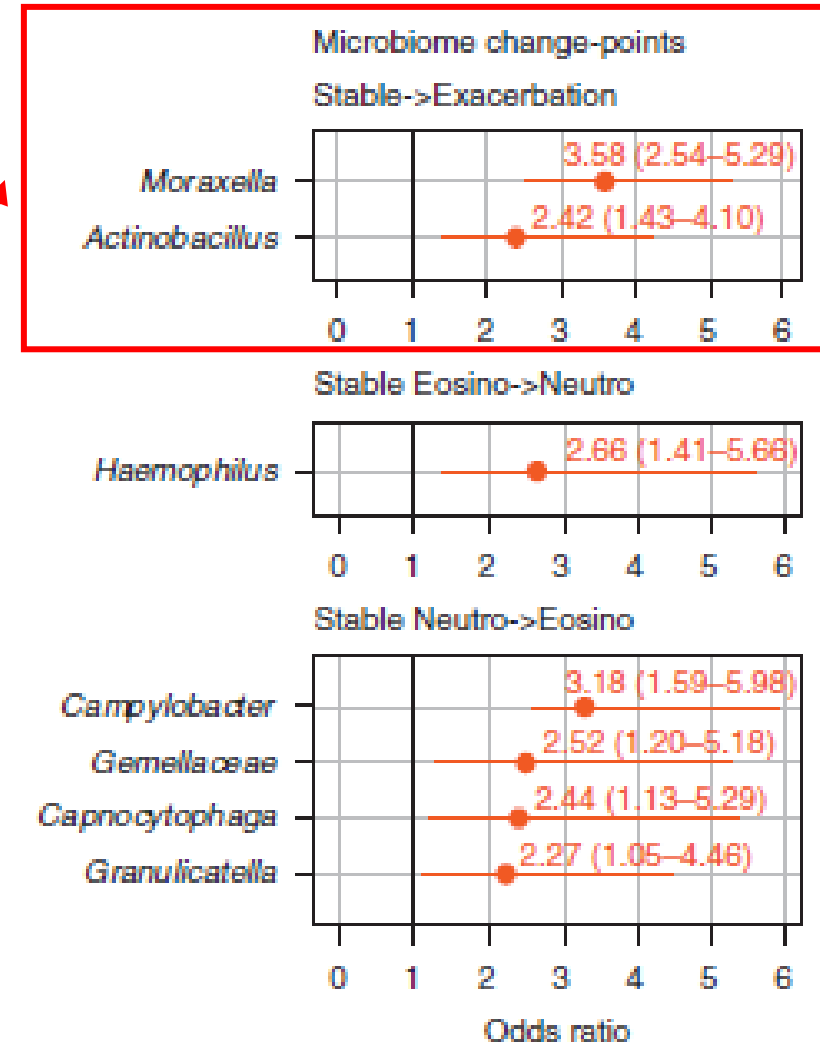
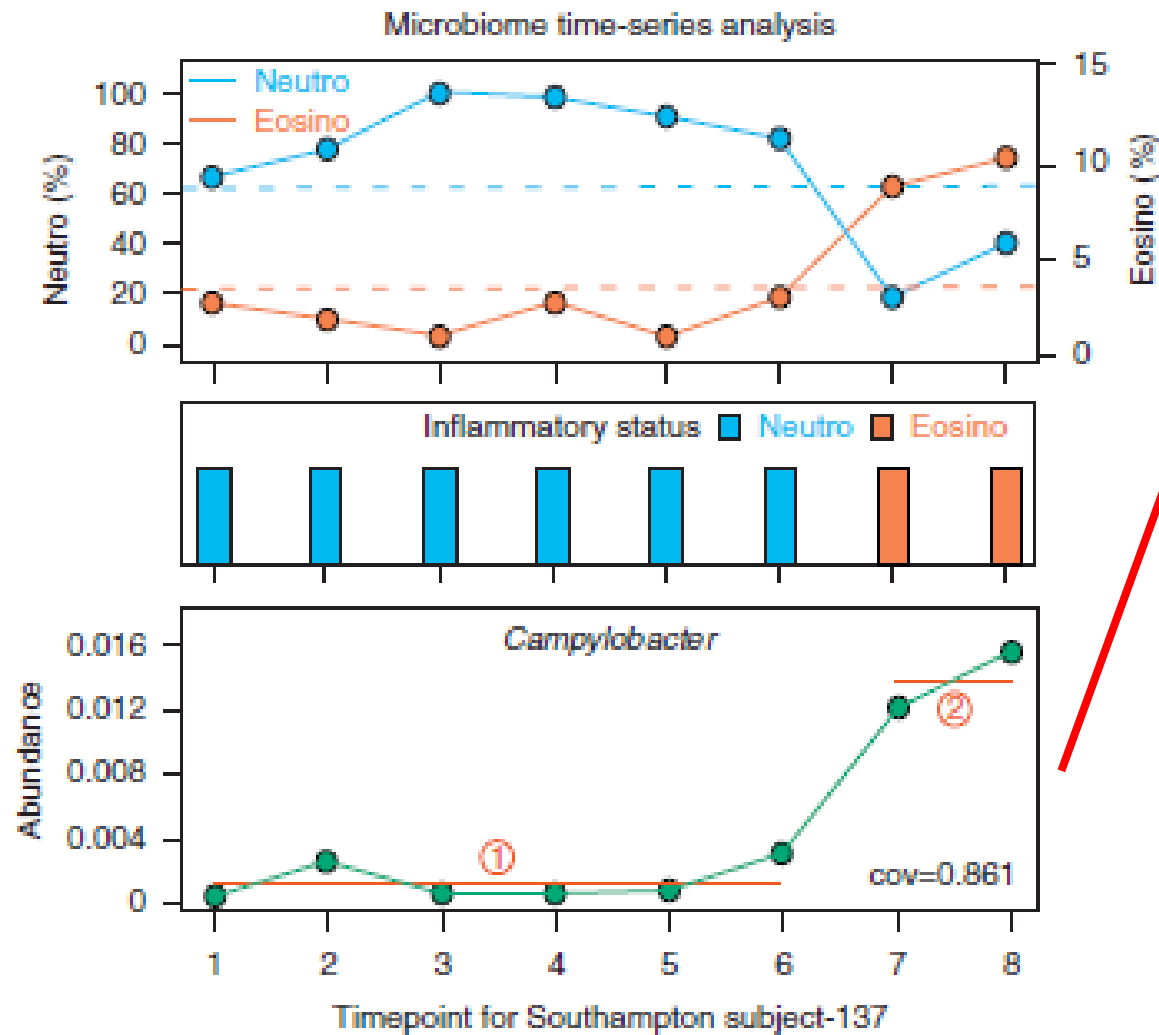
Preventive antibiotics or antiviral therapy

Table 1 Co-factors in acute exacerbations of COPD

Reduced mucociliary clearance	GORD	Airway colonization	Immune deficiency	Aspiration	GOLD D treatment
Direct injury by tobacco smoke	Increased frequency of Hiatus Hernia [4] and GORD [6] leading to chemical, food and microbial aspiration	<i>H Influenzae</i> <i>S pneumonia</i> <i>M catarrhalis</i> <i>P aeruginosa</i>	Innate immunity impaired- shortening of cilia, squamous cell metaplasia, goblet-cell hyperplasia, loss of tight junction from toxic effects of smoking	Swallowing normally performed in exhalation. In COPD pts swallowing can be immediately before or after inspiration heightening aspiration -risk considerably [12]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •LAMA/LABA •ICS •Azithromycin •Roflumilast •Influenza Vacc •Pneumococcal Vacc •Pulmonary rehabilitation within 6 weeks of hospital discharge for AECOPD
Chronic airway inflammation ± bronchiectasis		<i>Adenovirus</i> <i>Influenza B</i> <i>Coronavirus</i> <i>Rhinovirus</i> <i>Influenza A</i> [6, 7]	Adaptive immunity- fewer CD4 + T central memory cells and CD8 + T effector memory cells [8]		
Recent exacerbation					
Airways obstruction					
Dynamic expiratory collapse					
↑Mucus tenacity					
Expiratory muscle weakness—sarcopenia, altered pulmonary dynamics					

- Recurrent AECOPD despite of following guided-therapy → lack of data
- Preventive antibiotics?
- Antiviral therapy or targeted vaccination

What about probiotics?




What about probiotics?

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STUDY PROTOCOL

Prevention of Acute Exacerbation in Subjects with Moderate-to-very Severe COPD by Modulating Lower Respiratory Microbiome: Protocol of a Prospective, Multicenter, Randomized Controlled Trial

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Protocol

BMJ Open Prediction of exacerbation frequency of AECOPD based on next-generation sequencing and its relationship with imbalance of lung and gut microbiota: a protocol of a prospective cohort study

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Antibiotics guidance: GOLD guideline

CRP

- "Data has indicated that antibiotics usage can be safely reduced from 77.4% to 47.7% when CRP is low"

Procalcitonin

- "We cannot recommend at this time the use of PCT-based protocols to make the decision on using antibiotics in patient with COPD exacerbation; however, confirmatory trials are required"

Summary

- "Antibiotics should be given to patients with exacerbations of COPD for 5-7 days"
 - Have three cardinal symptoms (increase in dyspnea, sputum volume, and sputum purulence)
 - 2 of cardinal symptom + increased purulence
 - Mechanical ventilation (noninvasive or invasive)

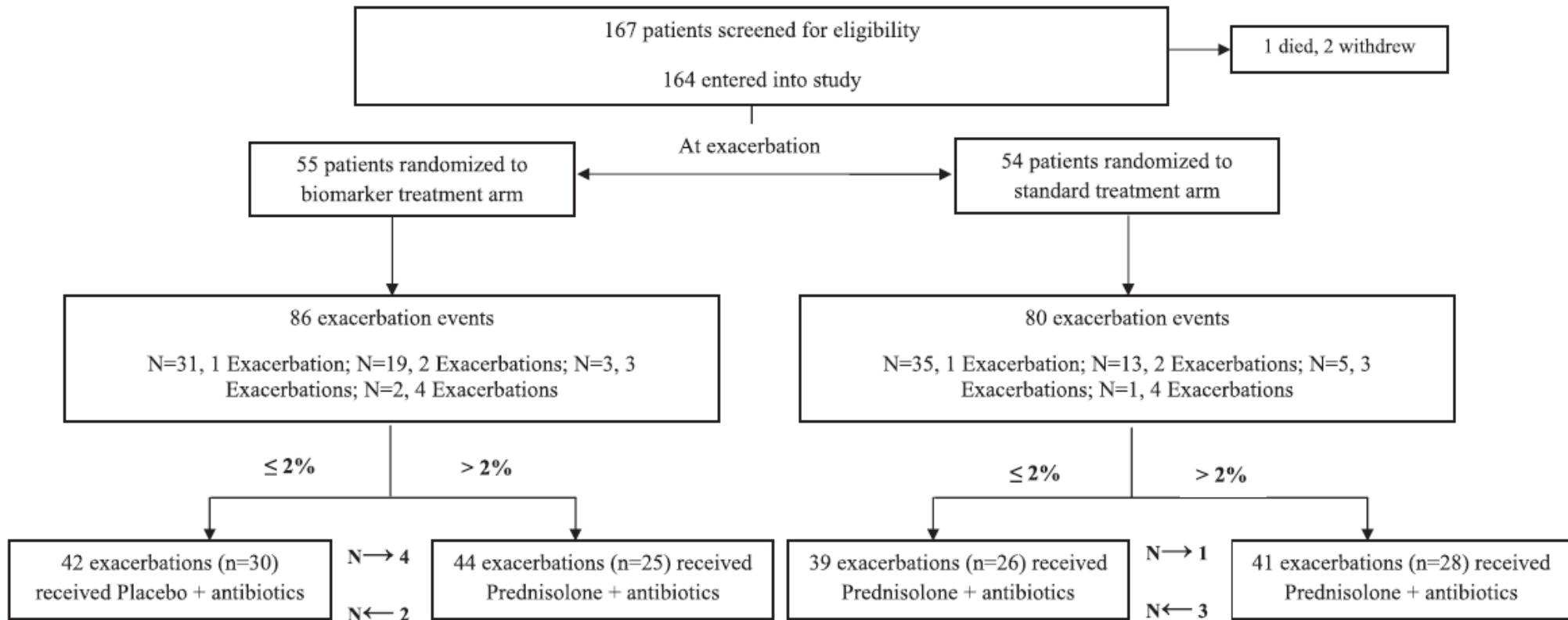
AECOPD management – systemic corticosteroid

Blood eosinophil guided: 2%

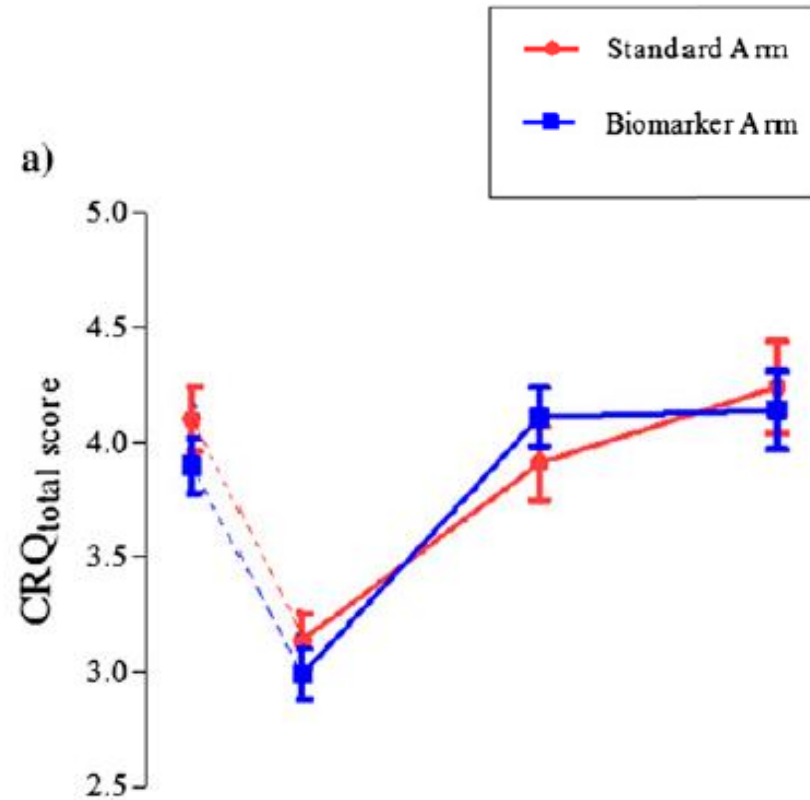
Blood Eosinophils to Direct Corticosteroid Treatment of Exacerbations of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

A Randomized Placebo-Controlled Trial

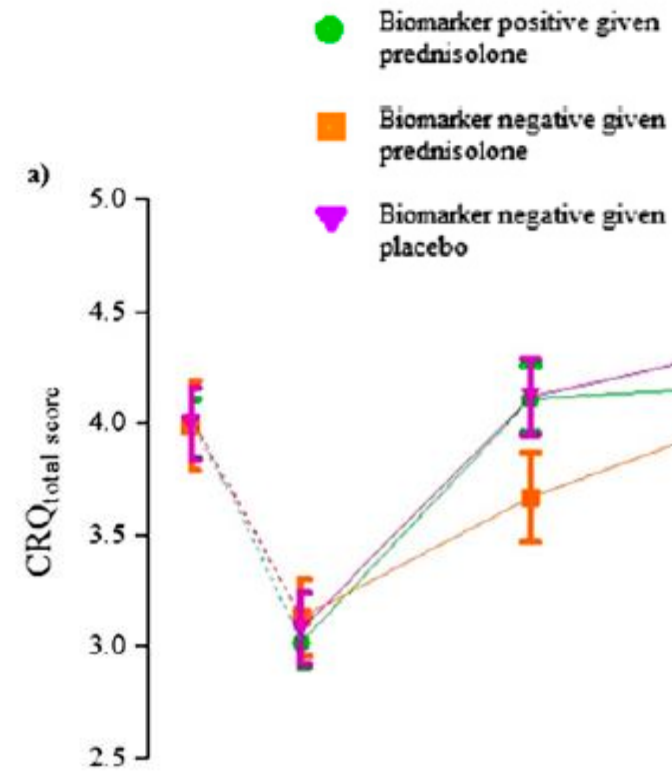
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Blood eosinophil guided: 2%



Standard vs. biomarker
= 0.8 vs 1.1, $p = 0.05$



Biomarker-negative exacerbation
: mean difference 0.45, $p = 0.04$

Treatment failure in biomarker-negative AE: steroid (15%) vs placebo (2%) ($p=0.04$)

Blood eosinophil guided: 300 cells/mcl

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Eosinophil-guided corticosteroid therapy in patients admitted to hospital with COPD exacerbation (CORTICO-COP): a multicentre, randomised, controlled, open-label, non-inferiority trial

Blood eosinophil: 300

- Eosinophil-guided group (n=159) vs. Control group (n=159)
- Treatment failure at 30 days → Eosinophil-guided group; 42 (26%) vs Control group; 41 (26%), p=0.90
- 30 days mortality → Eosinophil-guided group; 6% vs Control group; 4%, p=0.43
- Median duration of systemic corticosteroid therapy
; Eosinophil-guided group (2 days (IQR 1.0 to 3.0)) vs. Control group (5 days (5.0 to 5.0)), p<0.0001.

FeNO₂₀₀ > 10 ppb

FeNO at 50ml/s: FeNO₅₀
FeNO at 200ml/s: FeNO₂₀₀

In AECOPD,

FeNO₅₀ > 25ppb (31%)
FeNO₂₀₀ > 10ppb (59%)

→ Possibility of FeNO₂₀₀
as treatment response marker
of AECOPD

Table 4 The Difference from Baseline in FeNO₅₀, CAT and Pulmonary Function Test

Variables	High FeNO ₅₀	Low FeNO ₅₀	P-value
FeNO ₅₀	-24.00(-33.00,-2.00)	-1.50(-4.75,6.75)	0.018
CAT	-6.00(-9.00,-4.00)	-2.50(-4.00,0.50)	0.031
FEV1/FVC	6.48(-0.74,8.68)	2.44(-0.96,8.74)	0.286
FEV1% pred	2.70(-0.90,16.70)	6.35(-0.88,9.78)	0.340
FEV1	0.09(-0.05,0.28)	0.17(-0.05,0.26)	0.370
PEF	0.20(-0.42,1.40)	0.57(0.17,0.96)	0.676
PEF25	0.12(-0.15,0.72)	0.18(0.00,0.48)	0.906
PEF50	0.12(-0.06,0.43)	0.05(-0.02,0.23)	0.427
PEF75	0.06(0.01,0.18)	0.03(-0.01,0.09)	0.427

Notes: Data are presented as median (interquartile range); Kruskal-Wallis test for all other variables.

Table 5 The Difference from Baseline in FeNO₂₀₀, CAT and Pulmonary Function Test

Variables	High FeNO ₂₀₀	Low FeNO ₂₀₀	P-value
FeNO ₂₀₀	-4.00(-6.00,1.00)	0.50(-0.75,4.00)	0.017
CAT	-4.00(-6.00,-3.00)	-1.00(-3.75,0.50)	0.031
FEV1/FVC	2.62(-1.99,7.83)	3.54(-0.17,13.76)	0.542
FEV1% pred	3.50(-2.30,11.40)	5.90(1.10,9.43)	0.803
FEV1	0.09(-0.04,0.24)	0.19(-0.05,0.31)	0.921
PEF	0.72(-0.05,1.09)	0.34(0.07,0.73)	0.176
PEF25	0.13(-0.10,0.50)	0.32(0.09,0.71)	0.611
PEF50	0.05(-0.03,0.25)	0.13(-0.02,0.28)	0.863
PEF75	0.02(-0.01,0.13)	0.04(0.00,0.10)	0.922

Notes: Data are presented as median (interquartile range); Kruskal-Wallis test for all other variables.

Systemic corticosteroid guidance: GOLD guideline

- Systemic corticosteroid in AECOPD
 - Proven Tx effect: improve FEV1, shorten recovery time, improve oxygenation, reduce early relapse, reduce Tx failure, reduce hospital LOS
 - 40mg/d for 5 days (longer → pneumonia, mortality)
 - Oral or IV
 - May be less effective in AECOPD with lower BEC
 - BEC guided Tx for shortening steroid: not fully evaluated
 - FeNO: lack of evidence for decision

AECOPD management – CHF as comorbid condition

CHF and COPD: common

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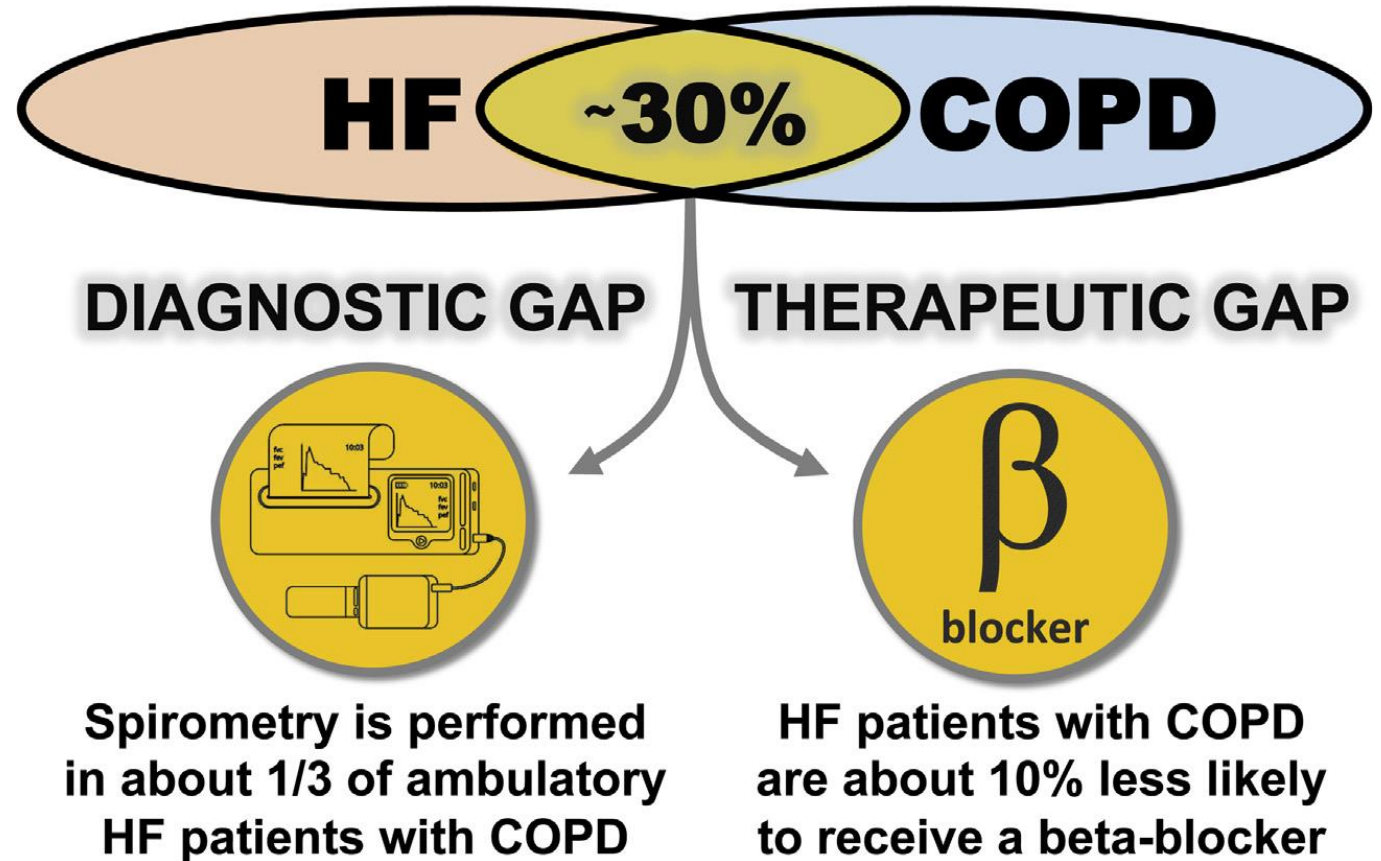
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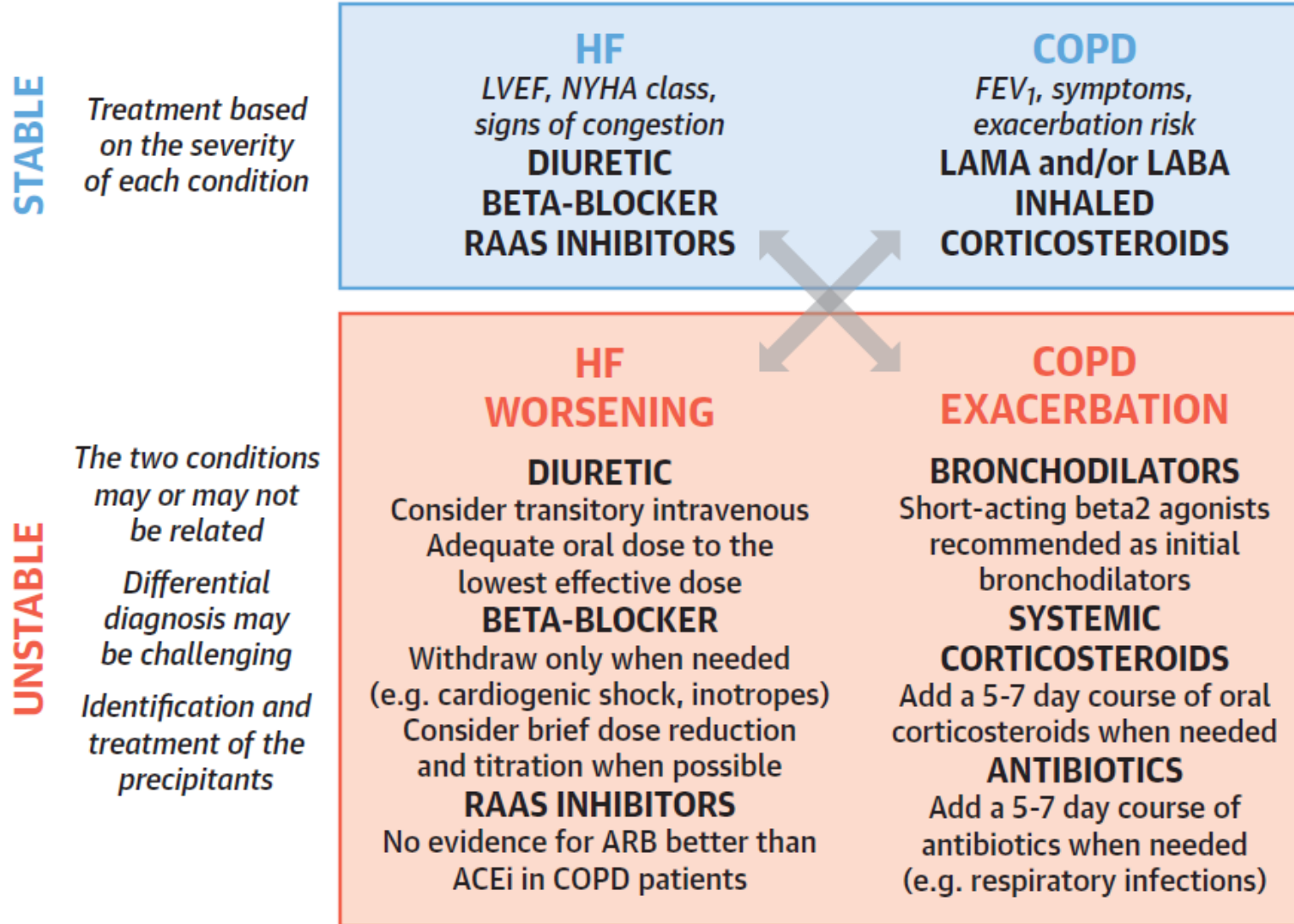
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GAPS IN THE MANAGEMENT OF PATIENTS WITH CO-OCCURRING HF AND COPD



CHF and COPD: common



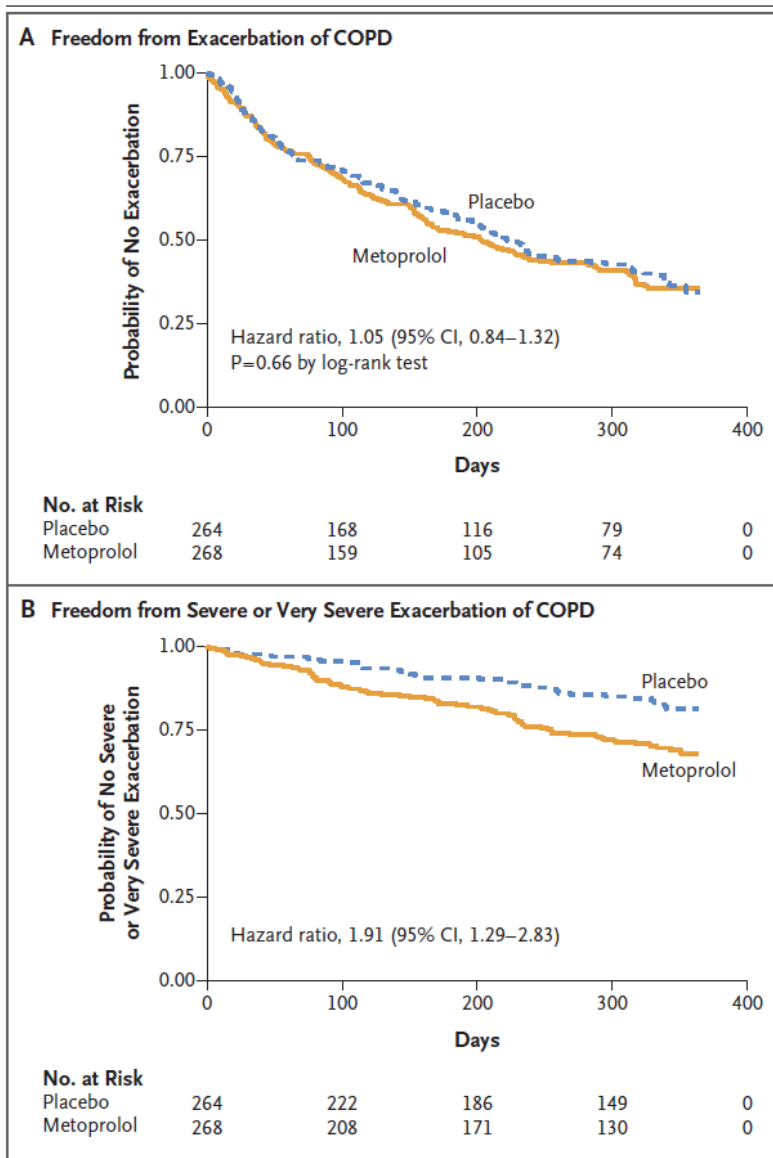
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CHF and COPD: common

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CHF and COPD: BNP

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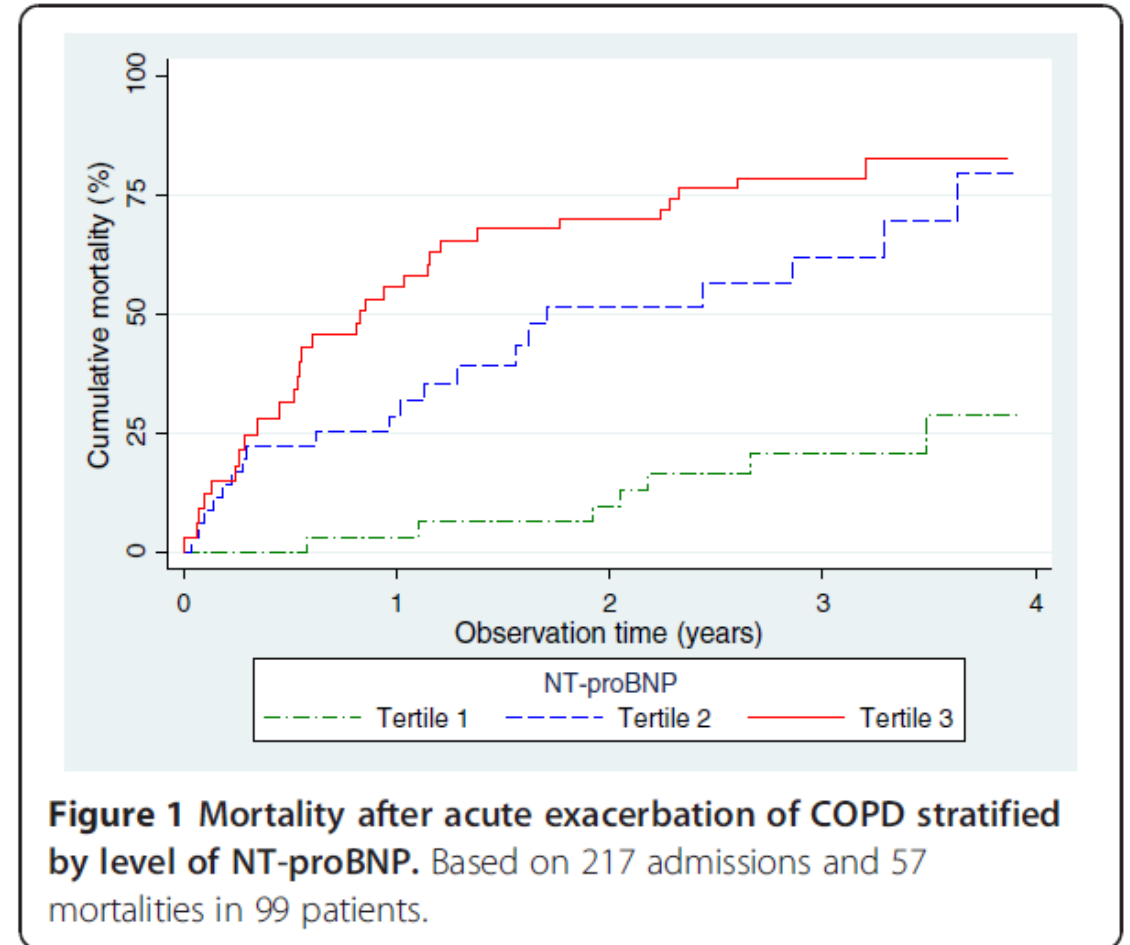


RESEARCH

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NT-proBNP independently predicts long term mortality after acute exacerbation of COPD – a prospective cohort study

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CHF and COPD: Echo + Lung US

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EXPERT CONSENSUS DOCUMENT

Echocardiography and lung ultrasonography for the assessment and management of acute heart failure

Lung and pleural ultrasonography^{37,38}

Alternative diagnoses for patient's signs and symptoms?	Pneumothorax assessment	Anterior, upper chest on each hemithorax	Presence of lung sliding along pleural line rules out pneumothorax in the scanned chest zones	Sensitivity 91%, specificity 98% for detection of pneumothorax ¹³⁶
Evidence of pulmonary oedema?	Pulmonary oedema detection	Three or four anterior/lateral chest zones on each hemithorax	Three or more B-lines in two or more zones on each hemithorax considered diagnostic for AHF	Sensitivity 94%, specificity 92% for diagnosis of AHF in patients with dyspnoea in the ED ^{33,38}
Evidence of pleural effusions?	Pleural effusion detection	Posterior axillary line on both hemithoraces	Echo-free space above the diaphragm	Sensitivity 79–84%, specificity 83–98% for diagnosis of AHF in patients with dyspnoea in the ED ^{44,45}

CHF and COPD: Lung US as decision maker

Pre-hospital LUS in COPD

- Severe dyspnea patient who has COPD or HF in Vicenza, Italy
- Case-Control study
- Pre-hospital LUS
- LUS: W

Conclusion

- More appropriate pharmacologic therapy ($p=0.01$)
- Appropriate CPAP in COPD ($p=0.011$)
- In A-profile, LUS guided Tx vs. Control \rightarrow Lower PCO_2 52.23 vs. 42.62mmHg, $p=0.049$

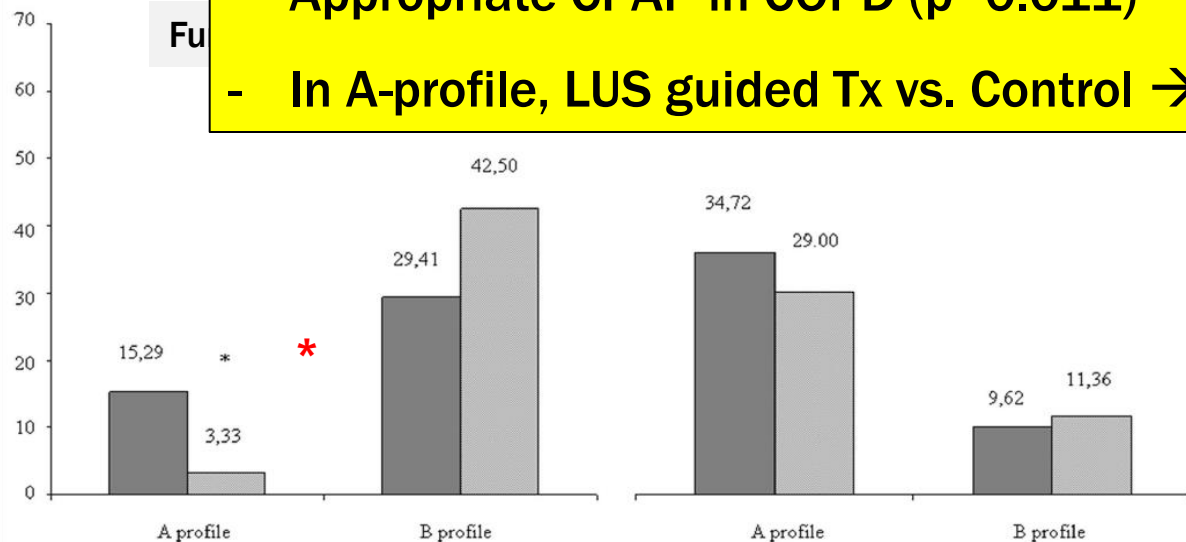


Fig. 1 Pharmacological therapy in the two study groups splitted by lung profile

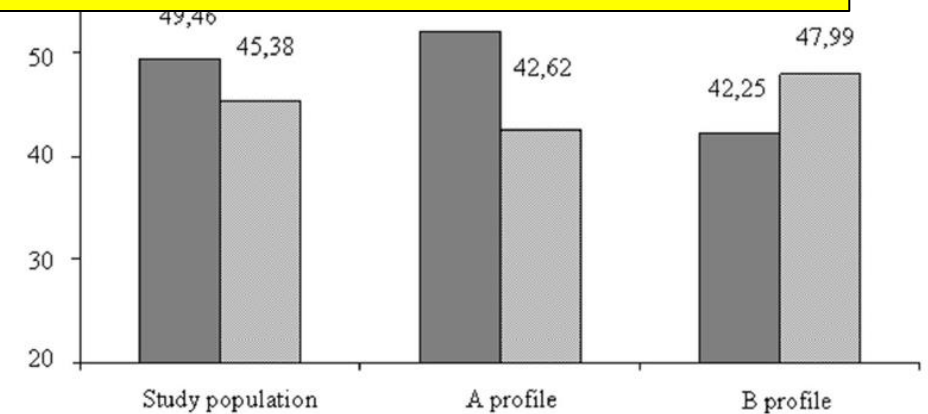


Fig. 2 PCO₂ concentration in the two study groups splitted by lung profile

AECOPD management – DD as comorbid condition

Diaphragm muscle adaptation in COPD

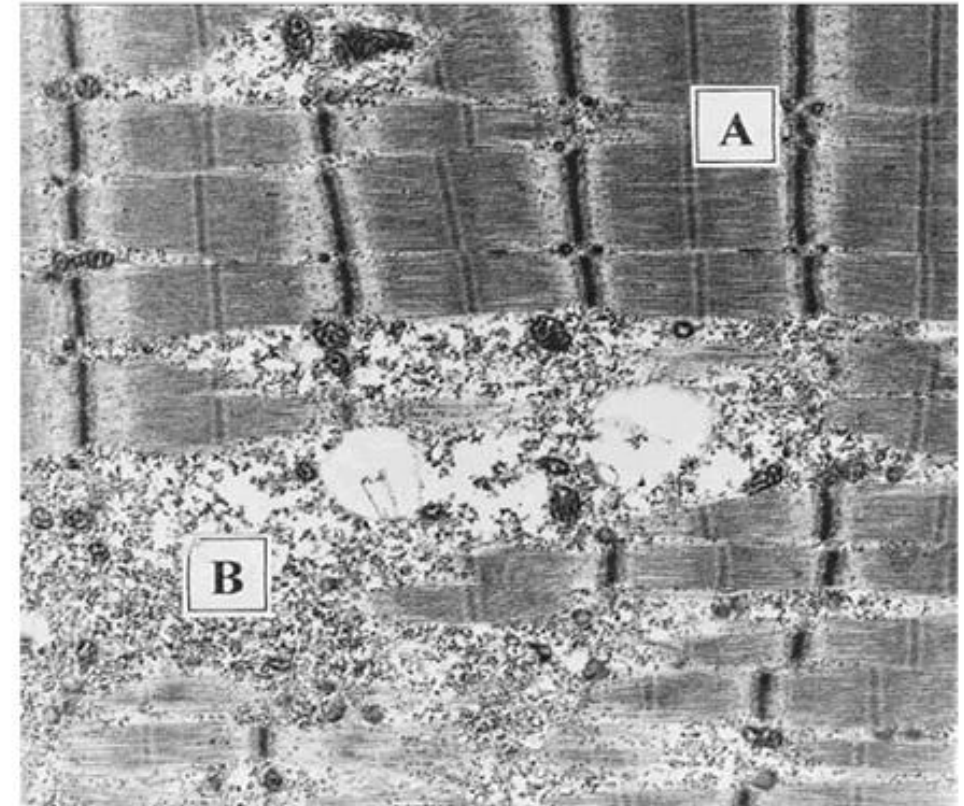
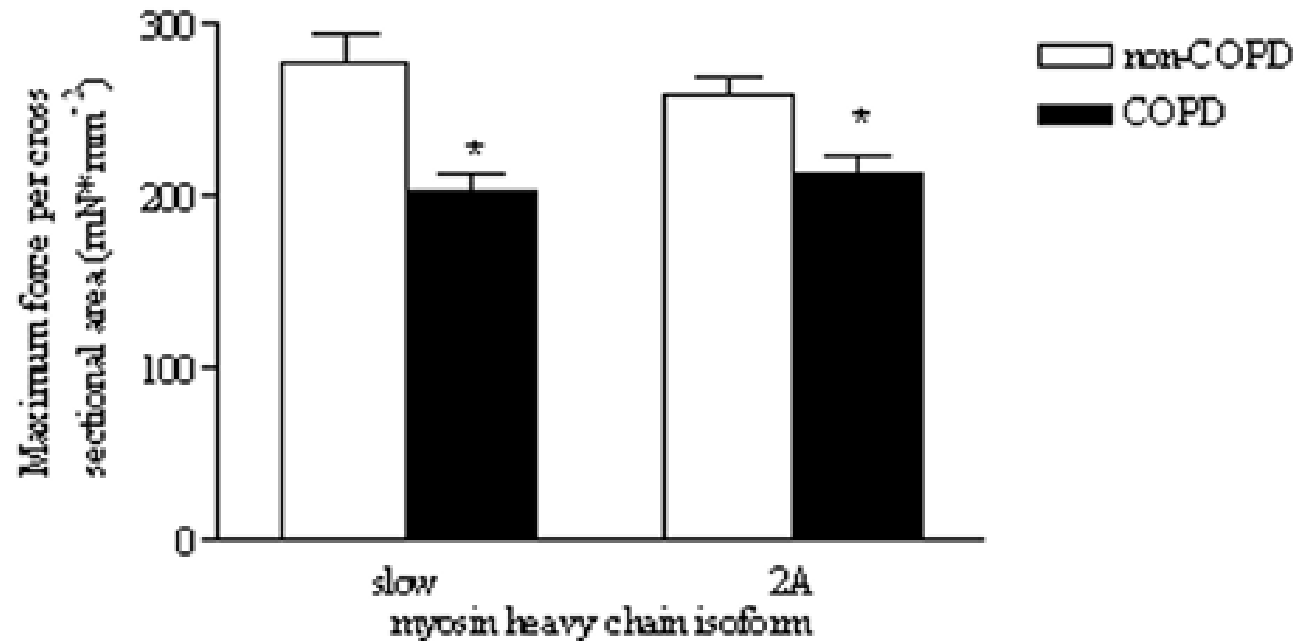


Figure 5
Electronmicroscopic photograph showing areas of normal (A) and disrupted (B) sarcomeres in a diaphragm sample from a patient with moderate-severe COPD. Note the disruption and even absence of A- and I-bands. Reproduced from Orozco-levi et al. [20] with permission.

DD and COPD: common, especially in severe AE

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Prevalence and outcomes of diaphragmatic dysfunction assessed by ultrasound technology during acute exacerbation of COPD: A pilot study

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	Overall	Diaphragmatic status		P-value
		DD+	DD-	
Patients	41 (100)	10 (24.4)	31 (75.6)	
Age (years)	76	75	76	0.52
Male	26 (63.4)	7 (70)	19 (61.2)	0.47
Pneumonia	19 (46)	7 (70)	12 (38)	0.08
Sepsis	9 (22)	4 (40)	5 (16.1)	0.12
Diabetes	16 (39)	6 (60)	10 (34.5)	0.15
Use of steroids	15 (37.5)	8 (80)	7 (23.3)	0.002
GCS	14 (12–15)	14 (12–14)	14 (12–15)	0.13
APACHE II	20 (16–24)	22 (20–26)	19 (15–24)	0.18
SAPS II	41 (33–45)	44.5 (38–50)	40 (33–45)	0.39
PaO ₂ /FiO ₂	163 (122–197.5)	182 (106–200)	146 (124–197)	0.7
pH	7.24 (7.21–7.30)	7.23 (7.22–7.27)	7.26 (7.19–7.31)	0.6
PaCO ₂ (mm Hg)	85 (76.5–105)	90 (82–107)	84 (73–100)	0.2
Blood lactate (mg/dL)	6 (4–11)	4 (3–5)	7 (5–14)	0.02
Respiratory rate (bpm)	32 (28–35)	35 (32–35)	30 (28–35)	0.09

DD and COPD: measured by sono

- Healthy vs COPD: Different status of stable condition of diaphragm muscle
- Different by COPD st

Variables

TFdi-tidal, %

TFdi-max, %

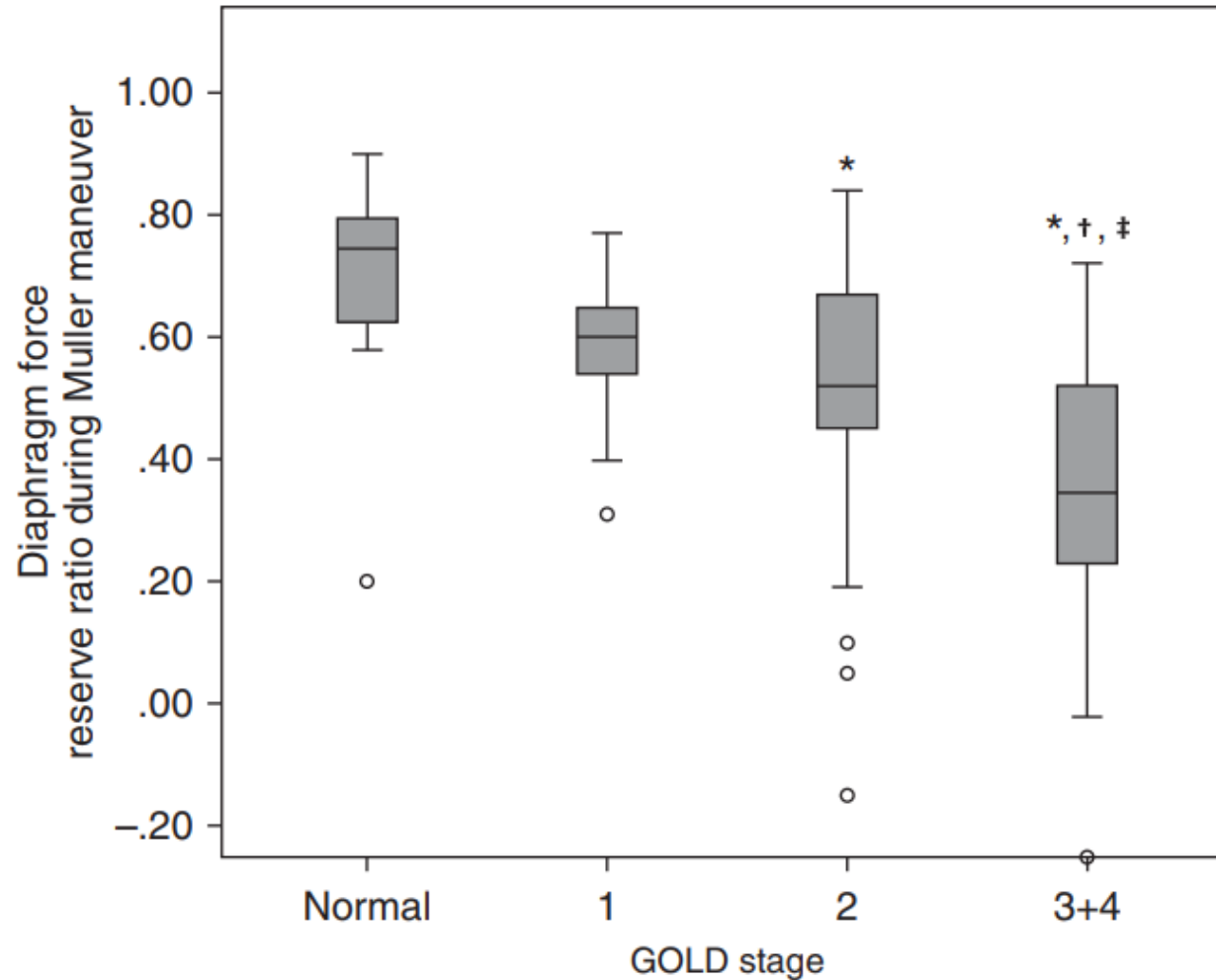
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DE-max, cm

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Diaphragm force reserve ratio

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DD

[range]]

P Value

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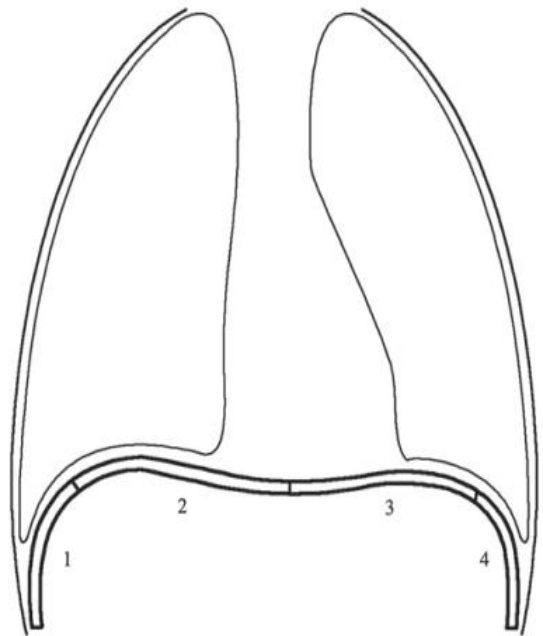
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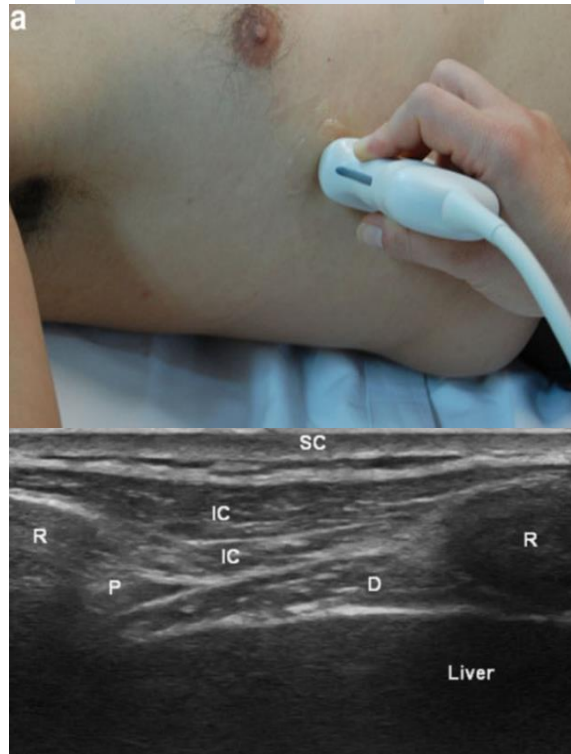
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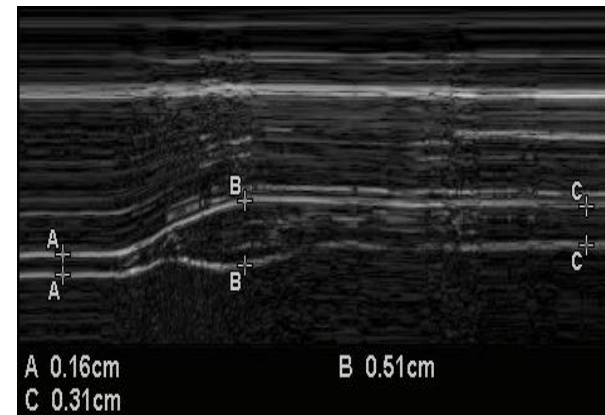


Diaphragm mass



Cut-off values: < 2mm

Diaphragm driving power

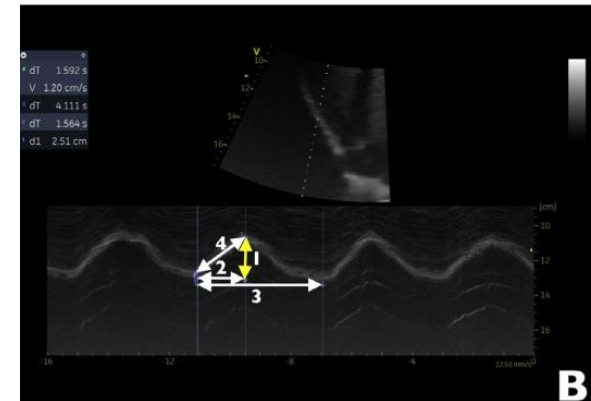
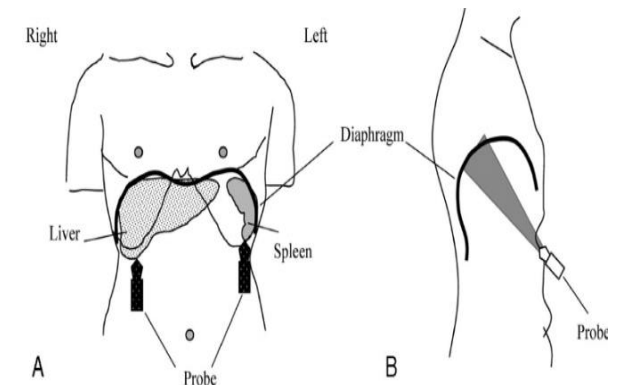


A) end-expiration
B) peak inspiratory muscle contraction

$(B-A)/A =$ Diaphragm thickening fraction (TF)

Cut-off values: < 20%

Diaphragm mobility



Cut-off values: < 50mm

DD and COPD: stable vs. AE

Diaphragm Ultrasound is an Imaging Biomarker that Distinguishes Exacerbation Status from Stable Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

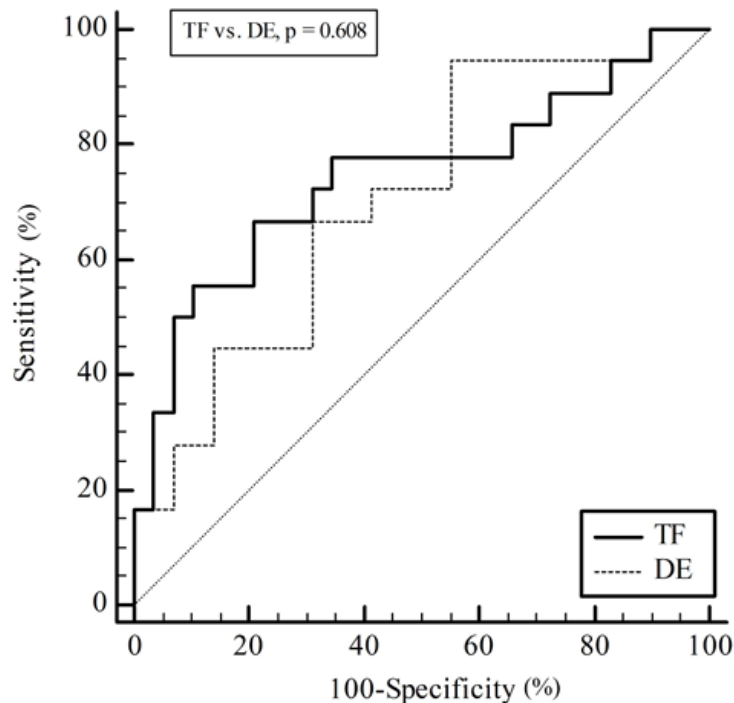
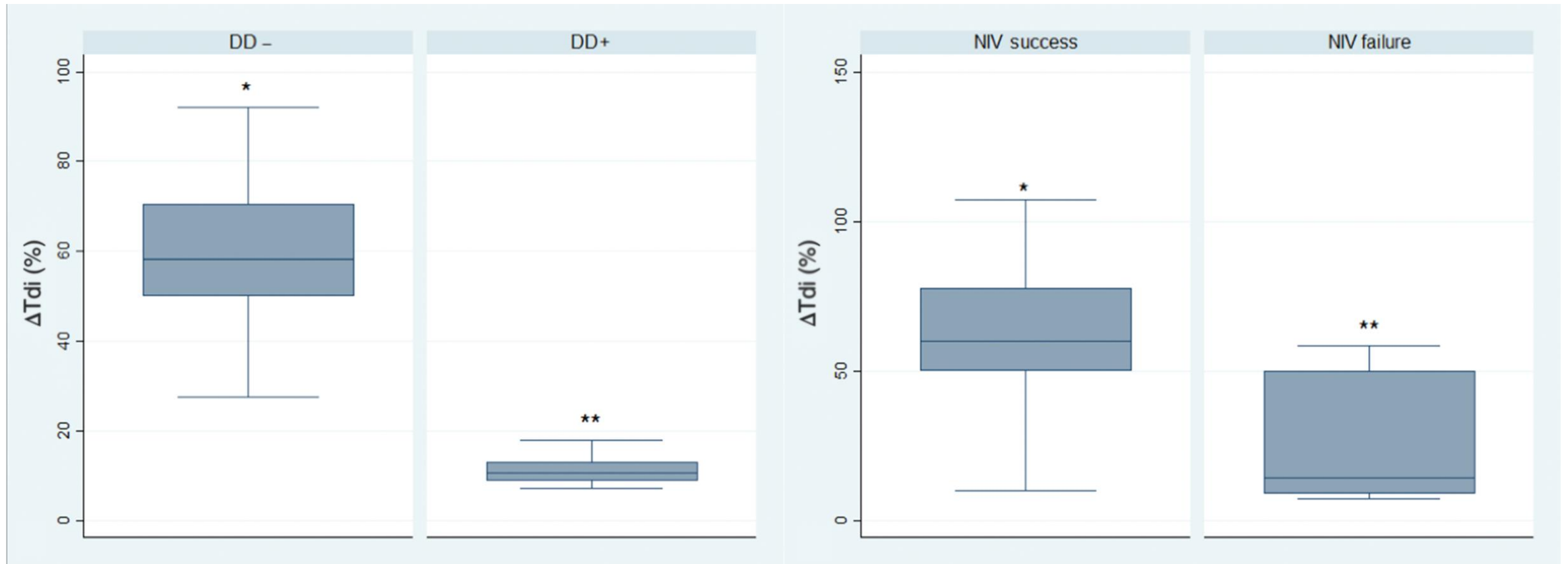


Table 4 Logistic Regression Analysis for Estimating Exacerbation of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Diseases

Model 1	Univariate		Multivariate	
	<i>p</i> -value	OR (95% CI)	<i>p</i> -value	OR (95% CI)
Age	0.722	0.99 (0.94–1.05)	0.682	0.98 (0.91–1.06)
Male sex	0.317	1.96 (0.53–7.28)	0.544	1.74 (0.29–10.34)
mCCI	0.049	1.62 (1.00–2.62)	0.157	1.73 (0.81–3.70)
BMI	0.007	0.80 (0.68–0.94)	0.002	0.70 (0.56–0.88)
Low TF _{max}	0.006	5.57 (1.64–18.94)	0.014	8.40 (1.55–45.56)
Model 2	Univariate		Multivariate	
Age	0.722	0.99 (0.94–1.05)	0.233	0.95 (0.88–1.03)
Male sex	0.317	1.957 (0.53–7.28)	0.393	2.16 (0.37–12.67)
mCCI	0.049	1.62 (1.00–2.62)	0.032	2.68 (1.09–6.60)
BMI	0.007	0.80 (0.68–0.94)	0.022	0.79 (0.64–0.97)
Low DE _{max}	0.011	16.25 (1.92–137.78)	0.038	11.51 (1.15–115.56)

Abbreviations: mCCI, modified Charlson Comorbidity Index; BMI, body mass index; TF_{max}, diaphragm thickening fraction during maximal deep breathing; DE_{max}, diaphragm excursion during maximal deep breathing.

DD and COPD in AE: NIV success rate

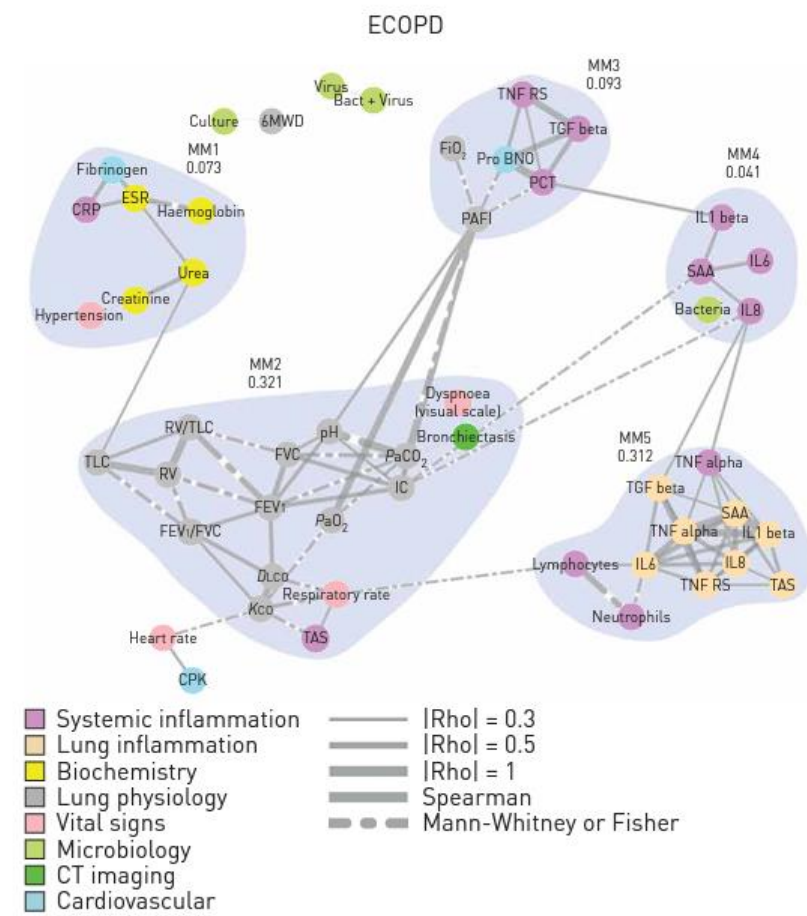
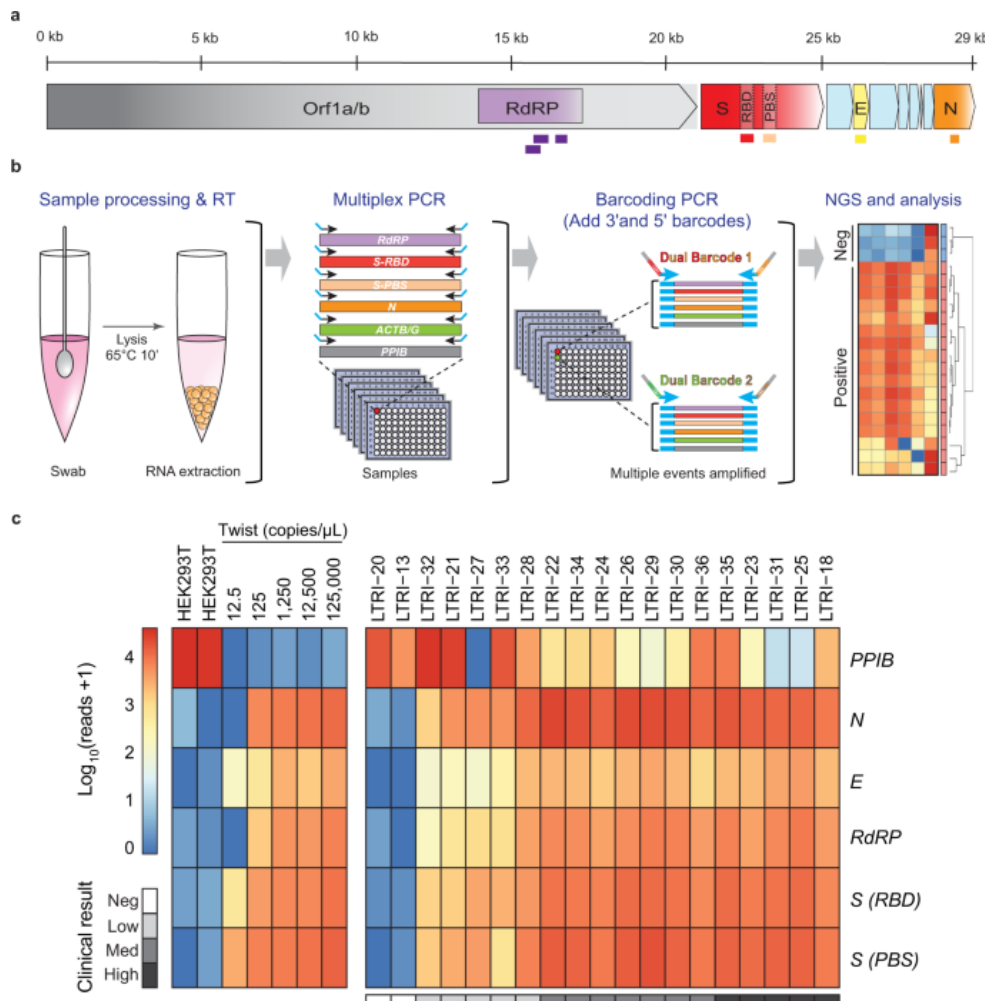
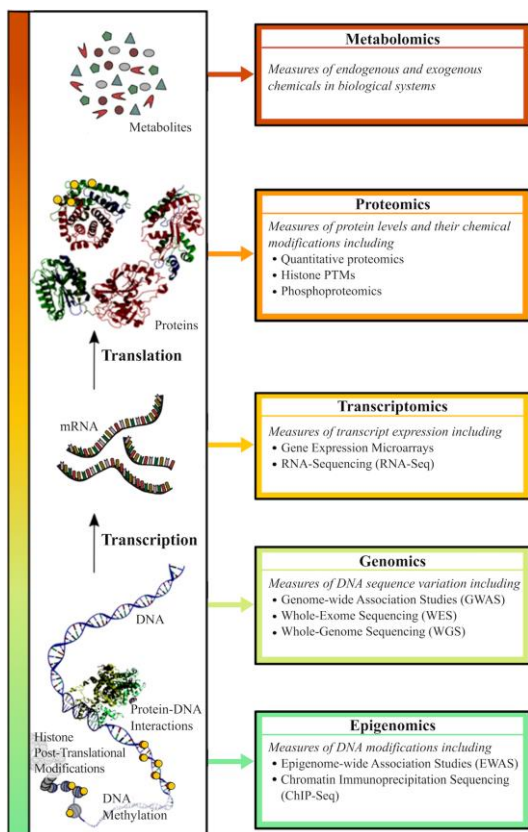


Summary - 2

- Management of AECOPD
 - Antibiotics use
 - Consider community antimicrobial resistance
 - Indication of use in AECOPD: sputum purulence, cardinal symptom, severity of disease
 - Point-of-CRP, Procalcitonin
 - Corticosteroid use
 - Blood eosinophil count: lower is poor in response of AECOPD, not fully evaluated.
 - FeNO: lack of evidence, currently, FeNO 200
 - CHF: common, conflict response of medication, evaluation device
 - DD: common especially in severe AECOPD, evaluation device

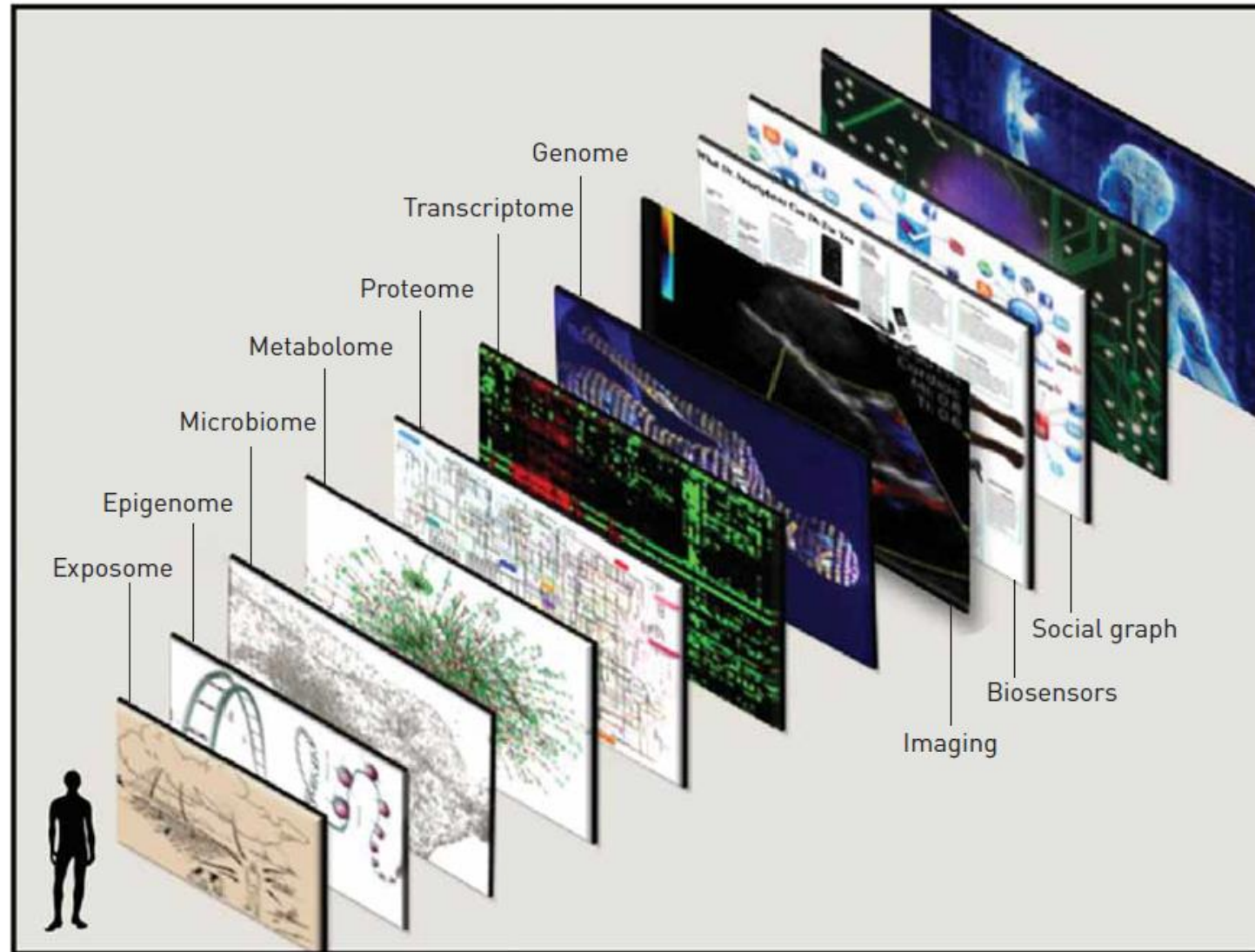
Future of personalized medicine in AECOPD

Advance in data acquisition, analyses, and interpretation : multi-Omics, NGS, and multi-level network analyses



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Personalized medicine in COPD

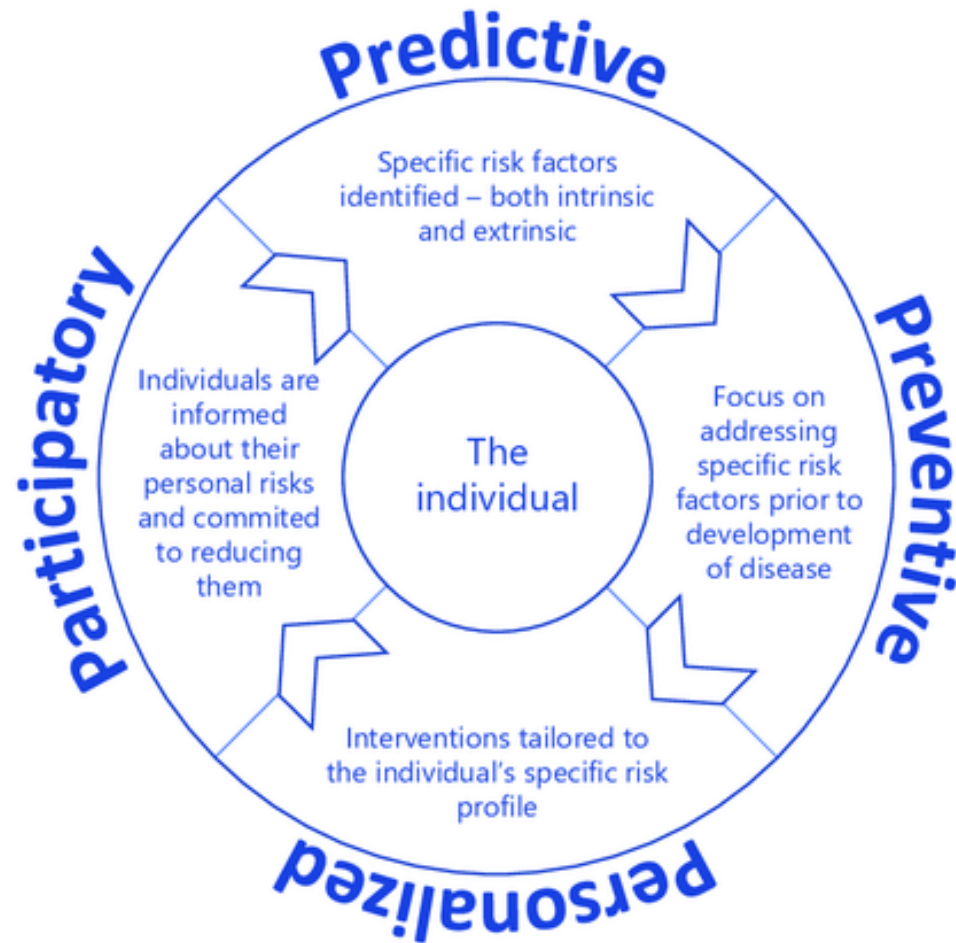


Take Home Messages

Take Home Messages

- Heterogeneity of AECOPD
 - Various phenotype
 - 4 categories: bacteria-, viral-, eosinophilic-, pauci-inflammatory-
 - Sputum color: Greenish, Yellowish ↔ Whitish-Grey
 - Sputum purulence: Purulent ↔ Muroid
 - Sputum microbiome: diversity, composition, affected by time, medication, inflammatory endotype
 - Blood Eosinophil: Baseline level in stable COPD, Stability during AE
 - FeNO: FeNO 200, further study
- Management of AECOPD
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 - Comorbidities: CHF, DD etc.
 - Ultrasound

P4: Predictive, Preventive, Personalized, Participatory



**Are we ready? Not yet, but we are preparing it.
Everything comes to those who wait.**

Thank you for your attention