

# Association between mRNA expression of CD74 and IL10 and risk of ICU-acquired infections. A multicenter cohort study

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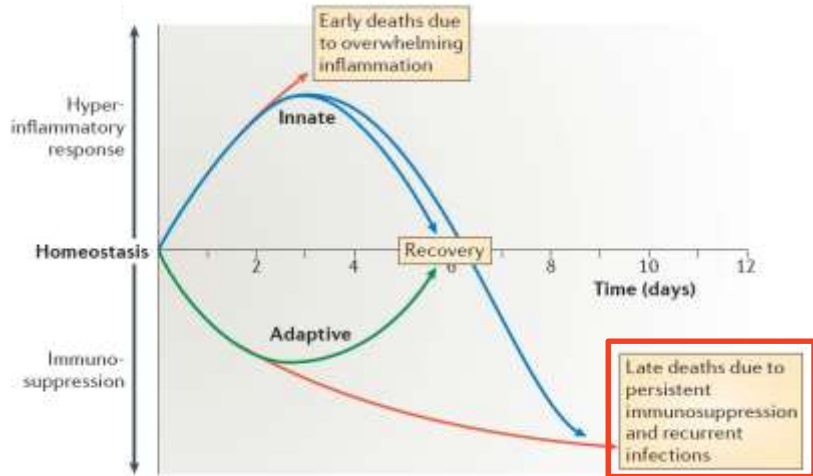
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# ICU-acquired infections (IAI)

## ■ Injury-induced immunosuppression concept



Hotchkiss et al., Nat Rev Immunol, 2013

## ■ IAI prevalence:

Up to **30% of ICU patients** with at least one IAI episode in high income countries

## ■ Impact of IAI

- ICU and hospital lengths of stay
- healthcare costs

Vasudevan et al., *Antimicrob Resist Infect Control*, 2015  
Rahmqvist et al., *Am J Infect Control*, 2016

## ■ Identification of patients at risk of IAI

- ⇒ Specific **preventive** procedures
- ⇒ **Patients stratification** in clinical trials evaluating immuno-adjuvant therapies

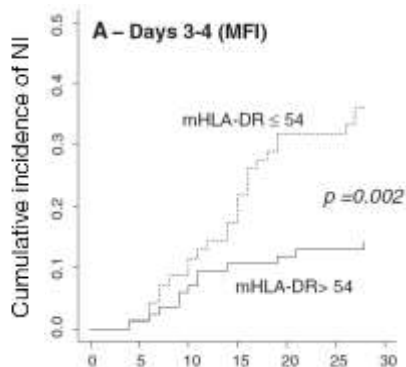
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**Biomarkers for  
IAI risk assessment**

# Biomarkers and IAI occurrence

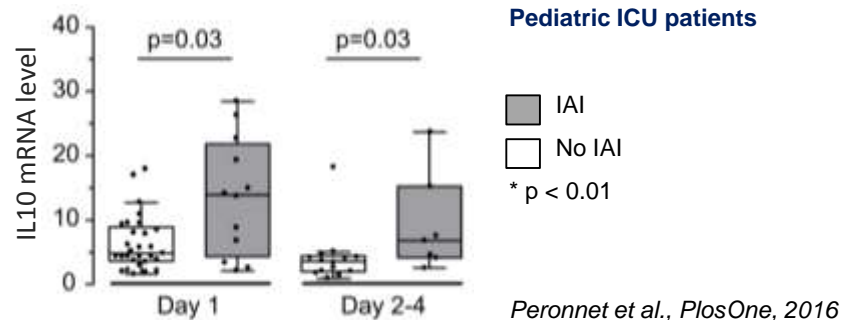
## ■ Monocyte HLA-DR

- Low expression in patients who will develop IAI



## ■ IL-10

- High expression in patients who will develop IAI



## ■ CD74: MHC class II-associated invariant chain

### Study objective

To confirm the association between **CD74** or **IL10 mRNA expression** and **IAI occurrence**

# Patients flow chart and clinical characteristics

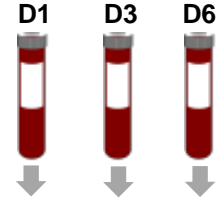


Clinical parameters	Total n=725
Age	65 [54-76]
SAPS II	56 [42-69]
SOFA score	9 [6-12]
Trauma	67 (9.2%)
Shock	467 (64%)
Infection at admission	506 (70%)
Septic shock	255 (35%)
ICU length of stay (Days)	7 [4-14]
Survivors at day 28	516 (71%)

**Patients enrollment**  
6 ICU in 3 hospitals  
SIRS due or not to an infection

**Total patients with sample on Day 1**  
N=725

**Whole blood collection**



**CD74 & IL10 mRNA expression**

**Patient follow-up**  
Day 3: N= 220  
Day 3 + Day 6: N=267  
Day 6: N= 57

**Heterogeneous cohort**  
Patients with or without **infection**  
with or without **shock**

ECDC definition  
*Suetens et al., J Hosp Infect, 2007*

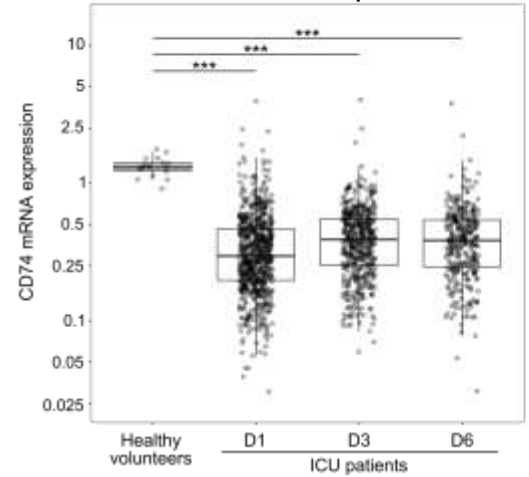
**IAI**  
N=137 (19%)

**No IAI**  
N=588

Time to IAI 10 [6-18] days

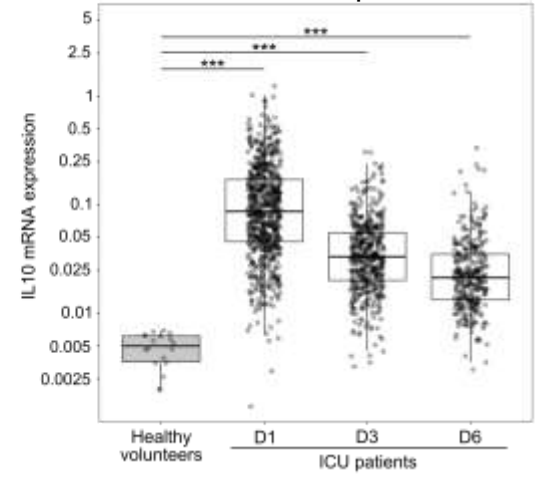
# CD74 and IL10 expression in ICU patients

**CD74** mRNA expression

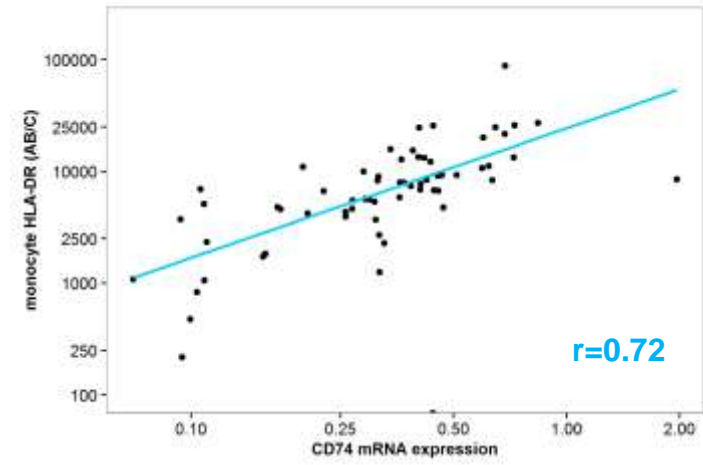


**Low CD74 level in ICU patients**

**IL10** mRNA expression



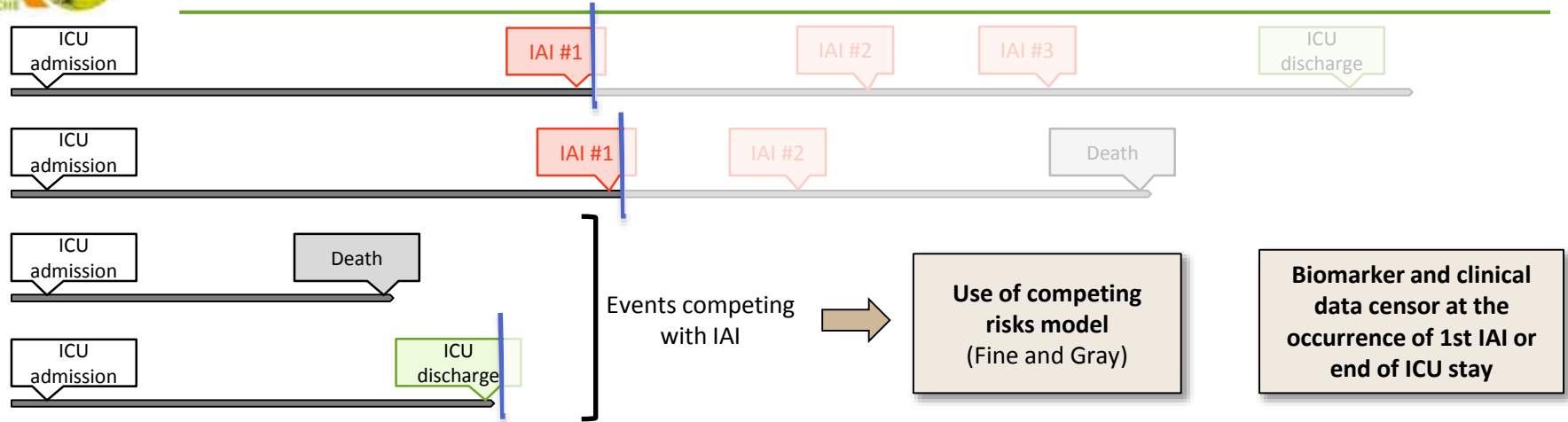
**High IL10 level in ICU patients**



**Strong positive correlation between CD74 mRNA and mHLA-DR**

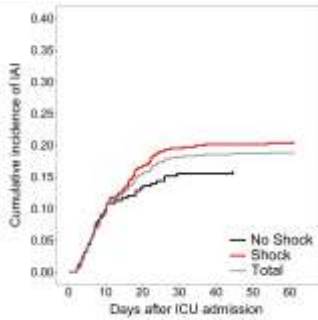
- No correlation of CD74 or IL10 expression with severity or with cell count

# Data analysis for association study

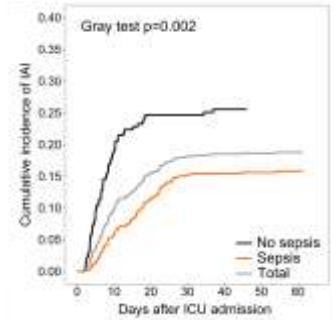


## IAI cumulative incidence

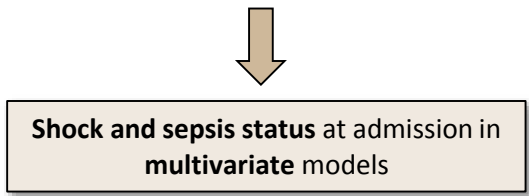
Shock status



Sepsis status



## Confounding factors for IAI occurrence



# CD74 and IL10 are associated with IAI occurrence



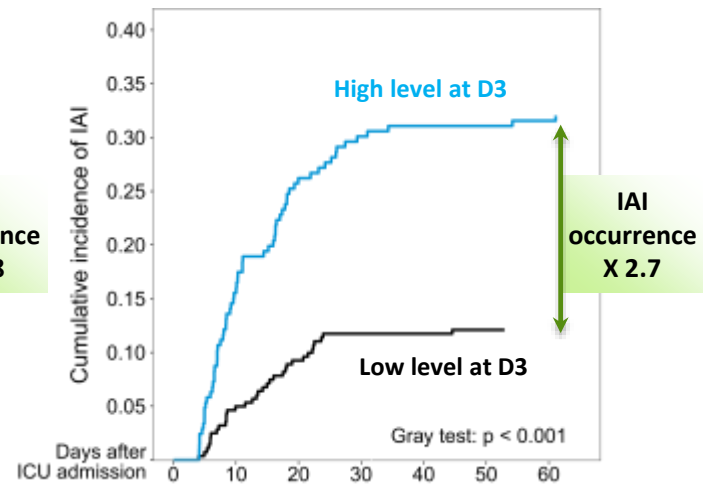
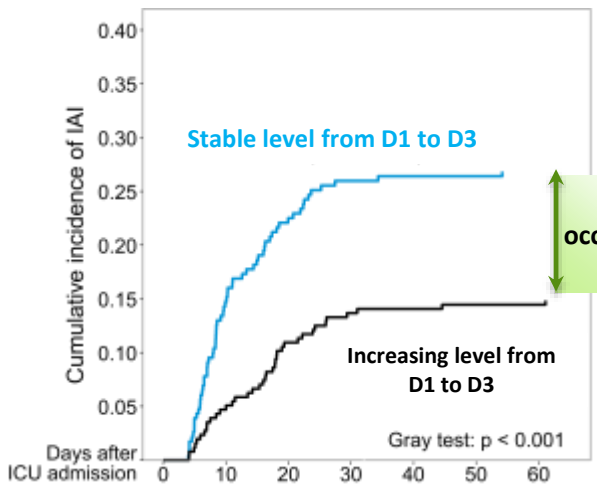
**Association with IAI occurrence**  
(Fine and Gray models)

CD74		
Variable	sdHR (95% CI)	p-value
CD74 D3/D1	0.67 (0.46-0.97)	<b>0.033</b>
Shock	1.79 (1.14-2.8)	<b>0.012</b>
Sepsis	0.53 (0.35-0.81)	<b>0.003</b>

IL10		
Variable	sdHR (95% CI)	p-value
IL10 D3 *	2.21 (1.63-3.00)	<b>&lt;0.001</b>
Shock	1.68 (1.07-2.64)	<b>0.025</b>
Sepsis	0.56 (0.37-0.85)	<b>0.006</b>

\* sdHR expressed for an increment of 0.1 unit

**Patients stratification according to CD74 or IL10 expression**





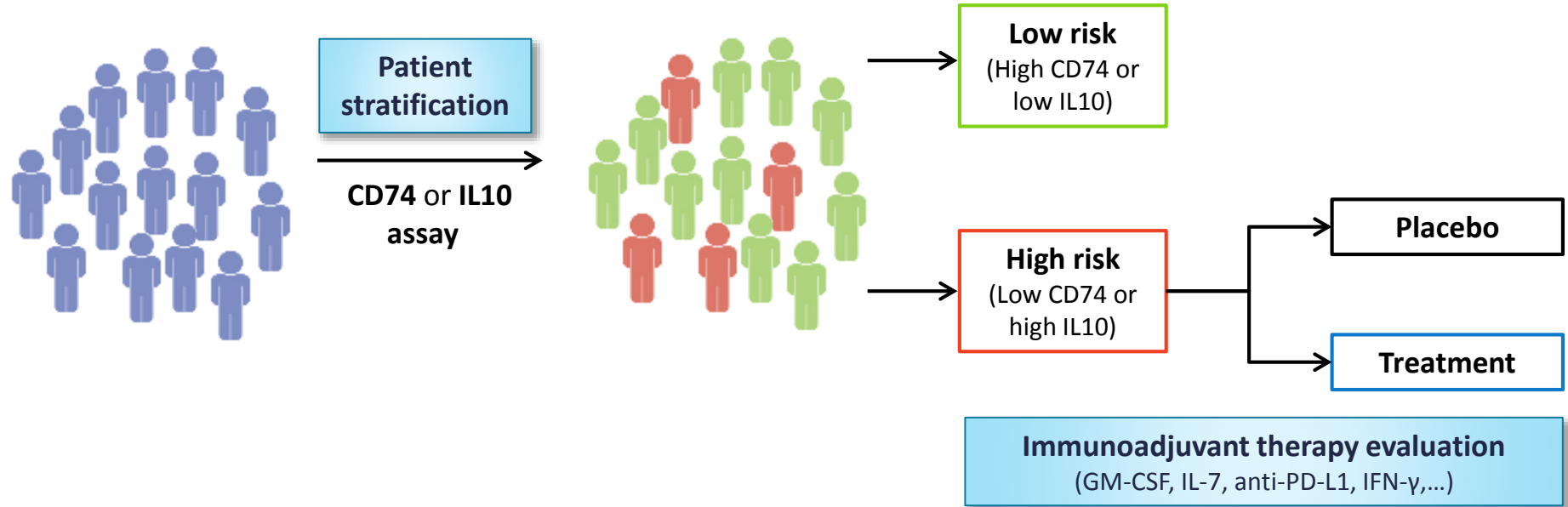
# Conclusions and perspectives

- **Confirmation of the association between CD74 or IL10 mRNA level with IAI occurrence, independently of sepsis and shock status at admission, in a large multicenter study**
- **Different IAI incidence in patients groups stratified on CD74 D3/D1 ratio or IL10 D3 mRNA expression level**

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**Stratification biomarkers in multicenter clinical trials evaluating immuno-adjuvant therapies**

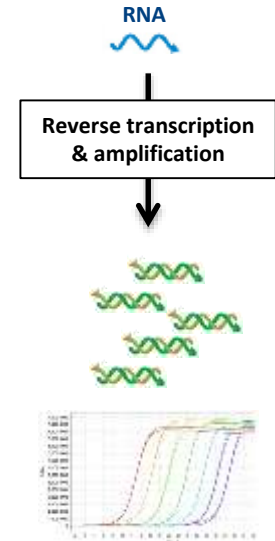


Available now for  
clinical validation



## Standardized molecular biology assays

- RUO RT-qPCR assays
- Compatible with several PCR platforms



Tomorrow...

... patients stratification in **clinical routine**, near-patient molecular biology-based testing

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