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Diagnostic approaches in implant associated-infections

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Diagnostic workflow in PJI: the ideal world

Clinical consequences



Communication

Interpretation

- ABS
- Expert system



Working hypothesis: PJI

Empiric anti-infective therapy

Specimen collection



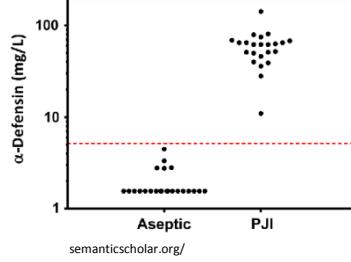
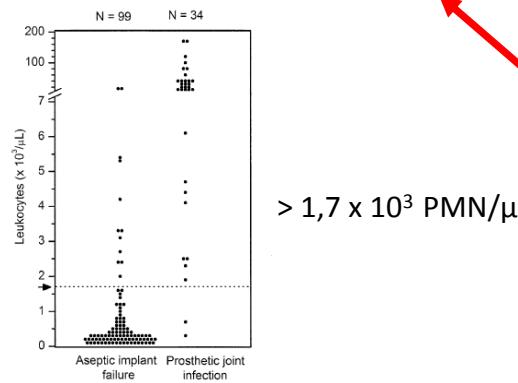
Microbiological toolbox

Detection
Differentiation
Susceptibility testing

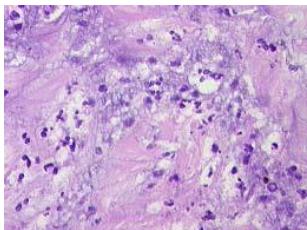


Invasive PJI diagnostics: current concepts and approaches

Biomarkers



Histo-pathology



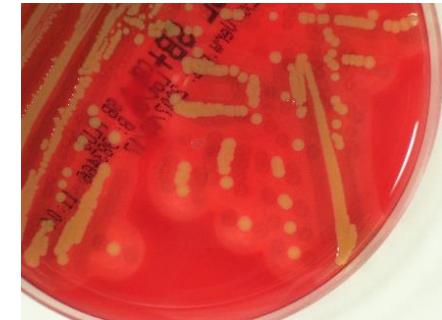
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Trampuz, Zimmerli, 2004
Sia, Berbari, Karchmer, 2005
Osmon et al., CID 2013



Microbiology

Culture



Culture-independent: PCR



<https://online-shop.eppendorf.de/DE-de/PCR-44553/Cycler-44554/Mastertcycler-pro-PF-5193.html>

Pathogen epidemiology in PJI

TABLE 1 Common causes of prosthetic joint infection

Infection	% of patients with prosthetic joint infection					
	Hip and knee		Shoulder ^d	Elbow ^e	Knee ^c	Hip ^c
All time periods ^a	Early infection ^b					
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	27	38	13	23	18	42
Coagulase-negative <i>Staphylococcus</i>	27	22	30	23	41	41
<i>Streptococcus</i> species	8	4	6	6	4	4
<i>Enterococcus</i> species	3	10	2	2	3	0
Aerobic Gram-negative bacilli	9	24	7	5	10	7
Anaerobic bacteria	4	3	9	5		
<i>Propionibacterium acnes</i>					24	1
Other anaerobes					3	0
Culture negative	14	10	7	11	15	5
Polymicrobial	15	31	14	12	16	3
Other	3					

Tande, Patel, CMR 2014

- Infections caused by commensal bacteria from skin microbiota.
- Significant proportion of infections remain etiologically unresolved.
- Polymicrobial infections possible / more common than anticipated.

- **Culture-negative PJI: Advanced diagnostics (culture-independent).**
- **Polymicrobial infections: Discrimination of complex microbial consortia.**
- **Skin commensals: Differentiation between contamination and invasive isolates.**

Species-specific PCR

Primer for

- *S. aureus*
- *Staphylococcus sp.*
- *Enterococcus sp.*
- *Streptococcus sp.*
- *C. acnes*
- Enterbacteriaceae

Pro

- (sensitivity)
- Speed (signal = diagnosis)

Con

- Species not included in the panel

Pan-bacterial PCR

Pan-bacterial primer:

Pro

- Universal detection of (all) bacterial species

Con

- Sensitivity
- Specificity (polymicrobial infections)
- Speed (need for sequencing)

Broad range PCR detection of bacterial pathogens: supporting evidence

Detection of pathogens in explanted heart valves

137 episodes (172 samples): PCR and culture from explanted valve material

	PCR positive	PCR negative
Culture positive	22	77
Culture negative	38	

Viridans streptococci	8
<i>Cutibacterium species</i>	3
<i>Aggregatibacter actinomycetemcomitans</i>	2
<i>Bartonella species</i>	2
CoNS	2
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	2
<i>Streptococcus agalactiae</i>	2
<i>Tropheryma whipplei</i>	1
unknown	1

Molecular diagnostics in PJI: unresolved problems

Specimens:

- 434 samples
- 144 infections
- 290 aseptic loosening

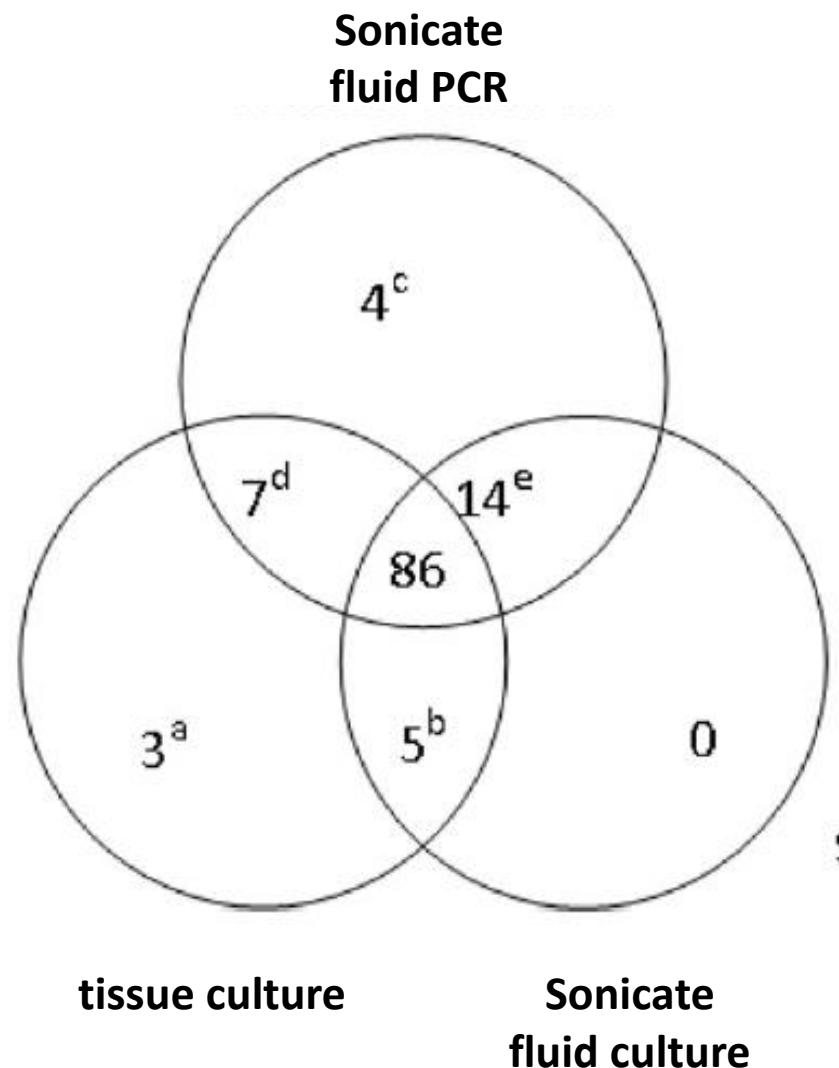
Method:

- Multiplex PCR Panel (10 most common pathogens) vs. conventional culture

Result

- PCR sensitivity: 77.1 %

BUT: discordant results possible



Molecular diagnostics in PJI: detection limit

	Number of colonies		
	<5	5–50	>50
Available results, n = 94			
Culture and mPCR positive concordant results n = 102 (%)	13 (13.8)	32 (34.0)	49 (52.2)
Available results, n = 65			
Culture positive and mPCR negative results n = 115 (%)	30 (39.4)	21 (37.9)	14 (22.7)

Malandain et al., CMI 2018

Traditional diagnostic approaches in infectious diseases approaches are inherent restricted to detect known pathogens.

Metagenomic sequencing represents a hypothesis-free methodology allowing to detect the „unknown unknowns“.

Identification of unknown pathogens using metagenomics shotgun sequencing

Patient specimen



DNA extraction human / viral / bacterial

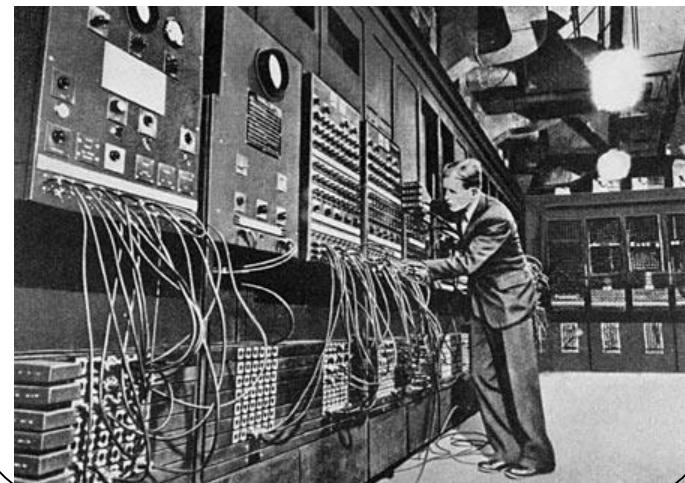


Sequencing



Pathogen A
Pathogen B
Pathogen C
Pathogen D
Pathogen E
etc.

Bioinformatics



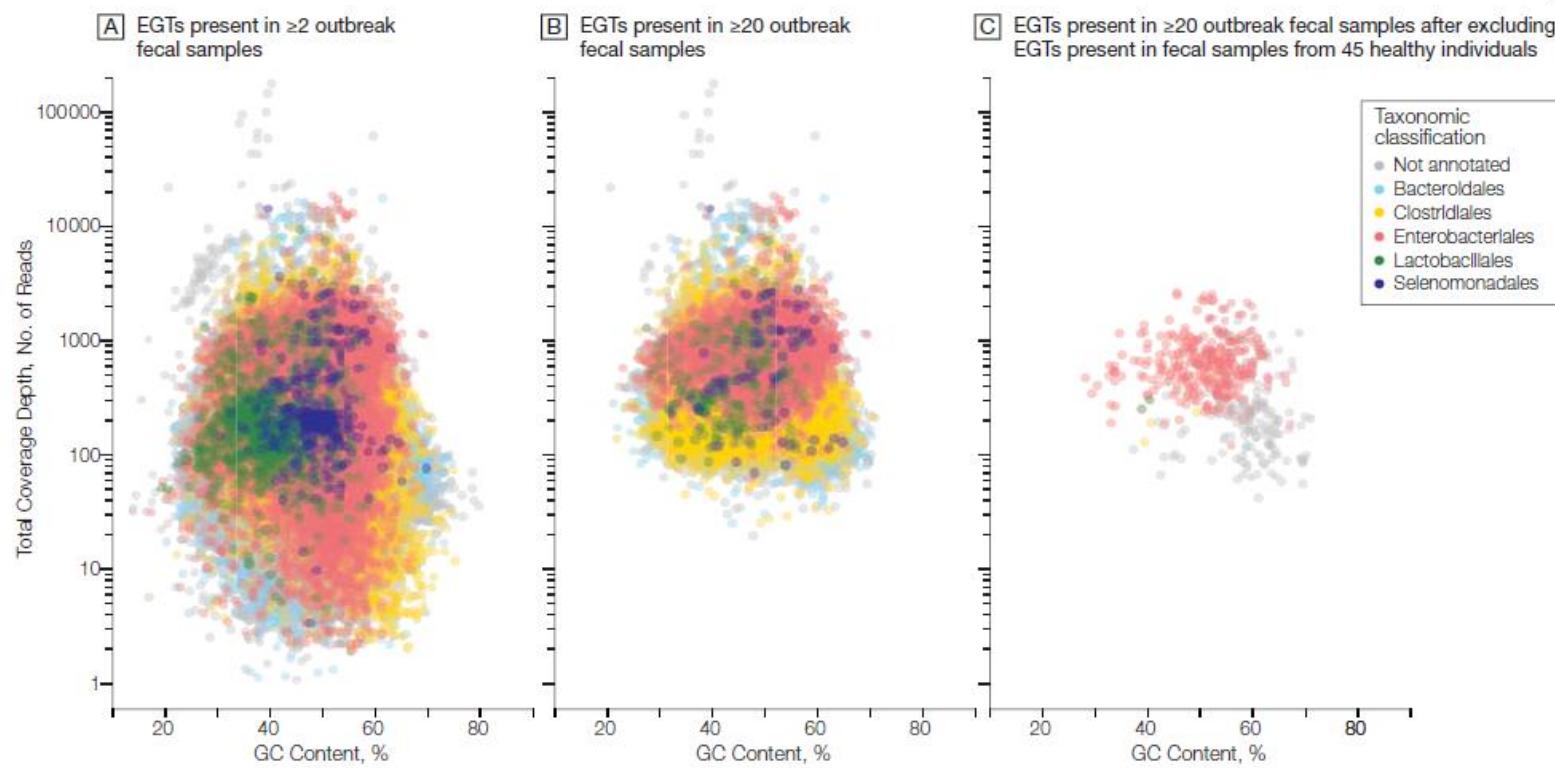
Metagenomics allows for culture-free detection and genome reconstruction directly from clinical samples

Sequences in ≥ 2 samples Sequences in ≥ 20 samples Sequences from healthy subtracted

Sequences in ≥ 20 samples,

Sequences, subtraction

Figure 2. Recovery of Sequences From the Outbreak Strain From the Outbreak Metagenome Through Iterative Filtering

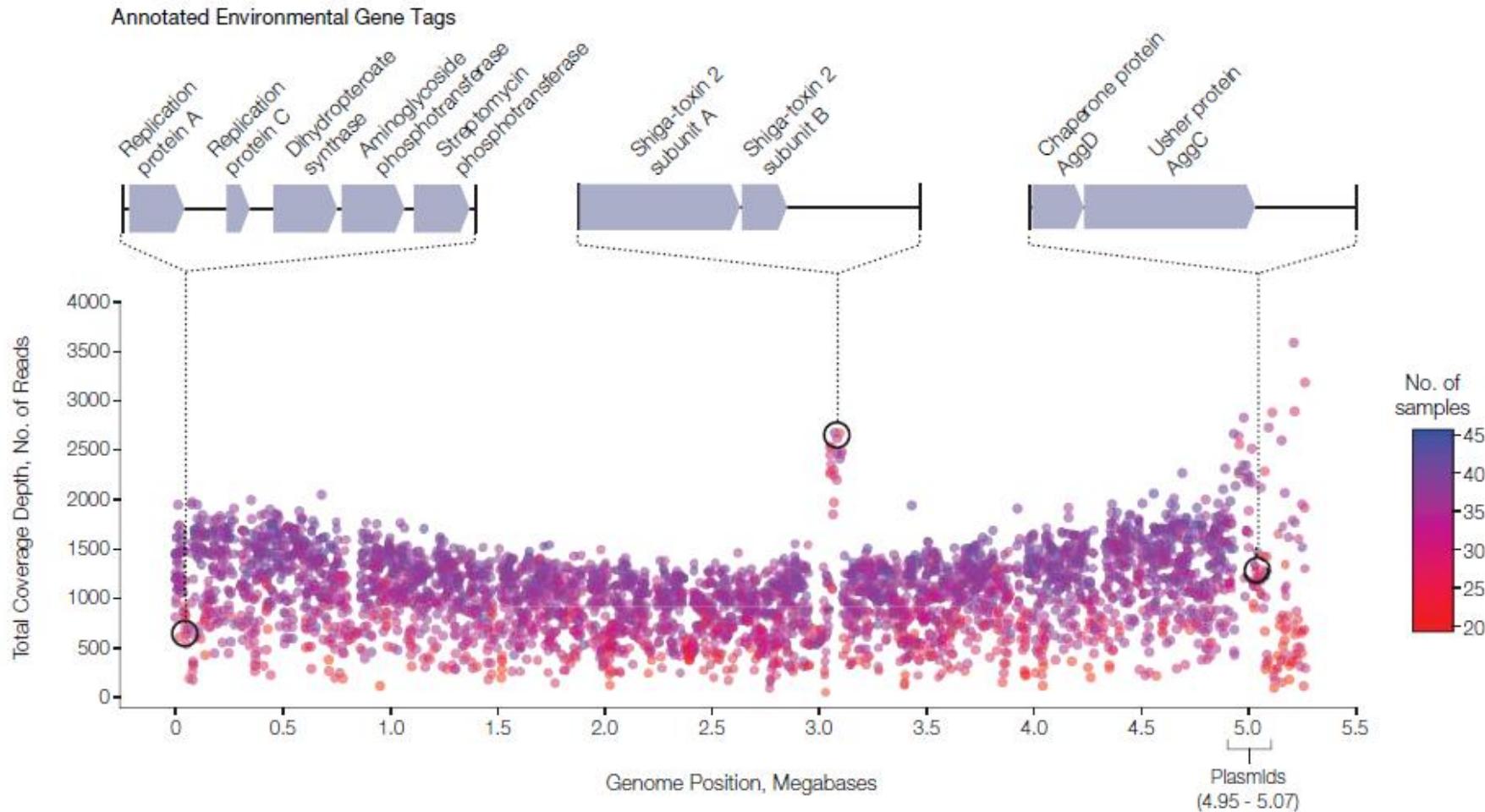


Each point on the scatter plot shows the GC content (x-axis) and total depth of coverage (y-axis, log₁₀-scale) colored by taxon for each environmental gene tag (EGT) in the outbreak metagenome. Numerical values for the EGTs presented in each panel are available in the eSupplement at <http://www.jama.com>.

Loman, Christner, Rohde et al., JAMA 2013

Rohde et al., NEJM 2011

Metagenomics allows for culture-free detection and genome reconstruction directly from clinical samples



Loman, Christner, Rohde et al., JAMA 2013

Rohde et al., NEJM 2011

Metagenomic detection of pathogens and prediction of antibiotic susceptibilities from urine

Urine and species	Method ^a	Penicillins and inhibitor combinations										Cephalosporins, monobactams and inhibitor combinations						Fluoroquinolone			Aminoglycosides			Antifolate	
		AMP	AMC	TZP	CTX	CTX/CLO	CTX/CLA	CAZ	CAZ/CLA	FEP	FEP/CLA	FOX	AZT	CIP	AMK	TOB	GEN	STR	TMP						
CU5 <i>K. pneumoniae</i>	MICs	>64	16	8	128	64	≤0.06	16	0.25	8	≤0.06	4	16	2	2	16	32	R	R						
	MinION																								
	Illumina																								
CU6 <i>E. coli</i>	MICs	>64	16	4	128	32	≤0.06	16	0.25	8	≤0.06	8	32	>8	4	16	16	S	R						
	MinION																								
	Illumina																								
CU7 <i>E. coli</i>	MICs	>64	8	2	128	32	≤0.06	8	0.12	4	≤0.06	4	16	0.25	2	1	0.5	R	R						
	MinION																								
CU8 <i>E. coli</i>	Illumina																								
	MICs	64	32	4	1	≤0.12	0.25	0.5	0.5	≤0.12	0.12	>64	0.25	≤0.12	1	0.5	0.5	S	S						
	MinION																								
CU9 <i>E. cloacae</i>	Illumina																								
	MICs	>64	64	4	2	≤0.12	2	1	1	≤0.12	0.12	>64	0.25	≤0.12	1	0.5	0.5	S	S						
CU10 <i>K. pneumoniae</i>	Illumina																								
	MICs	>64	32	>64	>256	256	0.125	128	1	64	≤0.06	16	>64	>8	8	>32	>32	R	R						
	MinION																								
Illumina																									

Metagenomic pathogen detection in PJI

- Metagenomic sequencing from sonic fluid.
- Implementation of cut-offs to identify false-positives.
- Sensitivity compared to sonic fluid culture:
 - Species-level: 61/69 (88%)
 - Genus-level: 64/69 (93%)

Street et al., JCM 2017

TABLE 3 Performance of metagenomic sequencing compared to that of synovial fluid culture

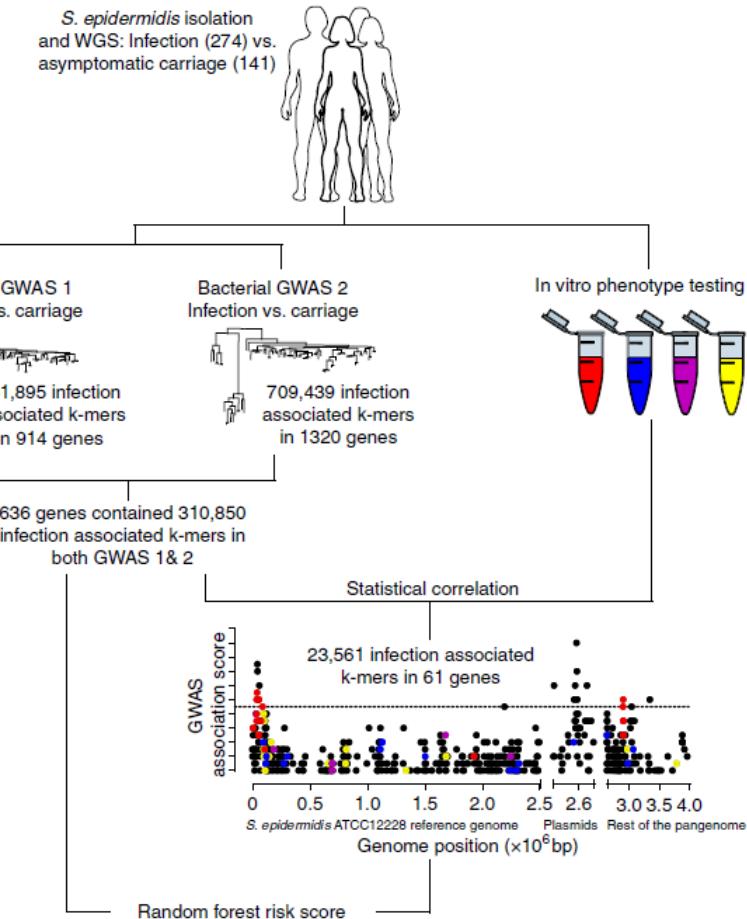
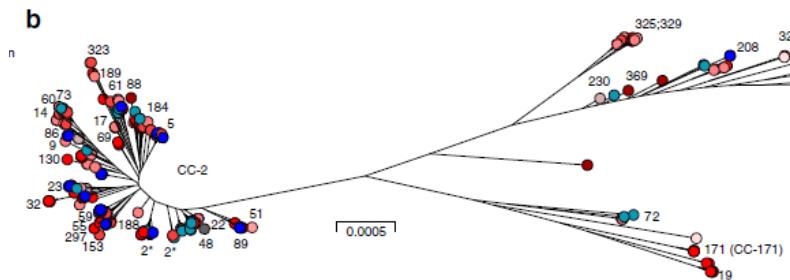
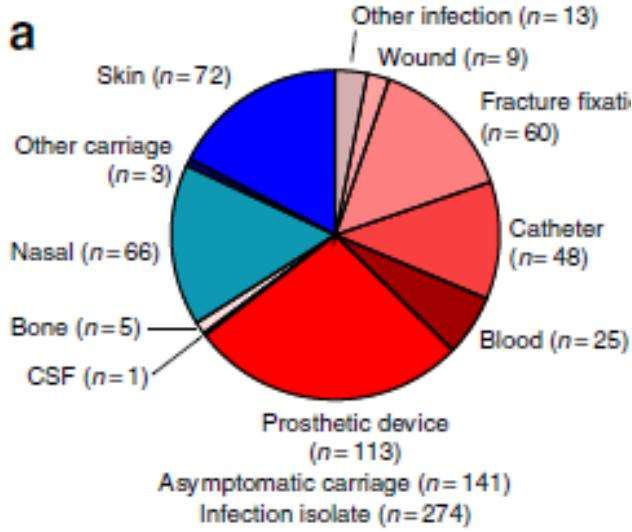
Sample type (n) ^a	No. of samples (%) ^b		New organism(s) detected by metagenomics
	Identical finding	Organism not identified by metagenomics	
Aseptic failure (61)	56 (91.8)	1 (1.6)	4 (6.6)
Synovial fluid culture-positive PJI (82)	67 (81.7)	14 (17.1)	3 (3.7)
Synovial fluid culture-negative PJI (25)	21 (84.0)	NA	4 (16.0)

^aIncluded are samples for which identical or discrepant findings between synovial fluid culture and metagenomic sequencing were observed. *n*, number of samples in the group.

^bIn two cases of culture-positive PJI, the pathogen identified by metagenomics did not match the pathogen identified by synovial fluid culture. These cases are included in the totals shown for both the organisms not identified and the new organisms. NA, not applicable.

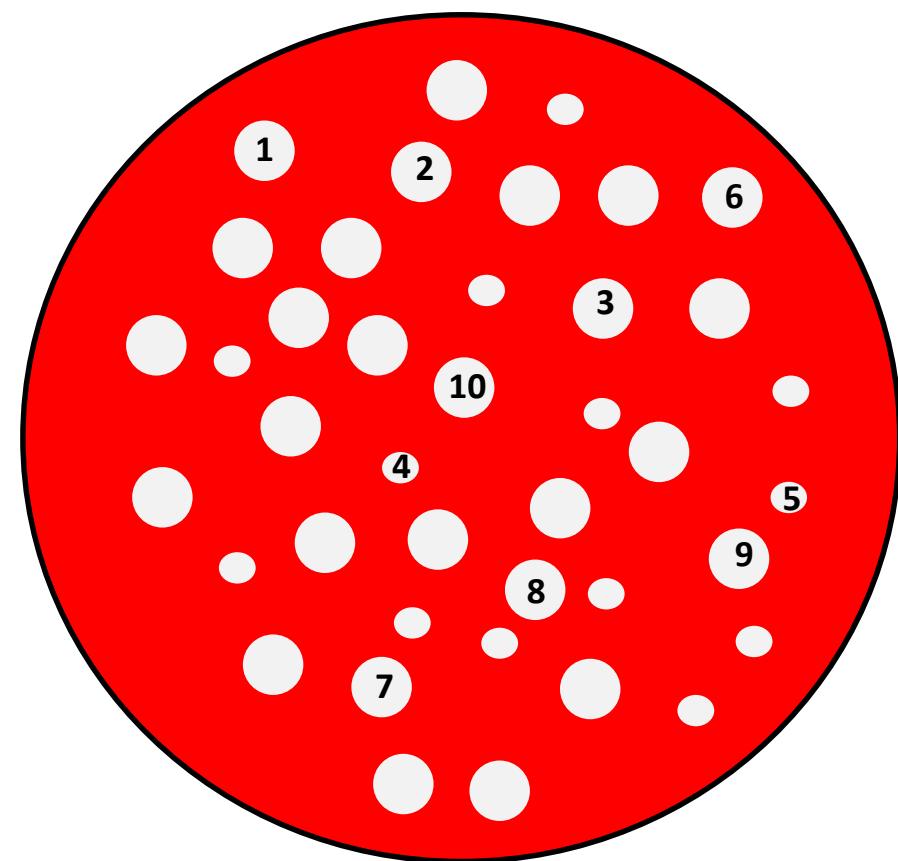
Ivy et al., JCM 2018

S. epidermidis populations: evidence for selection of pathogenic clones?



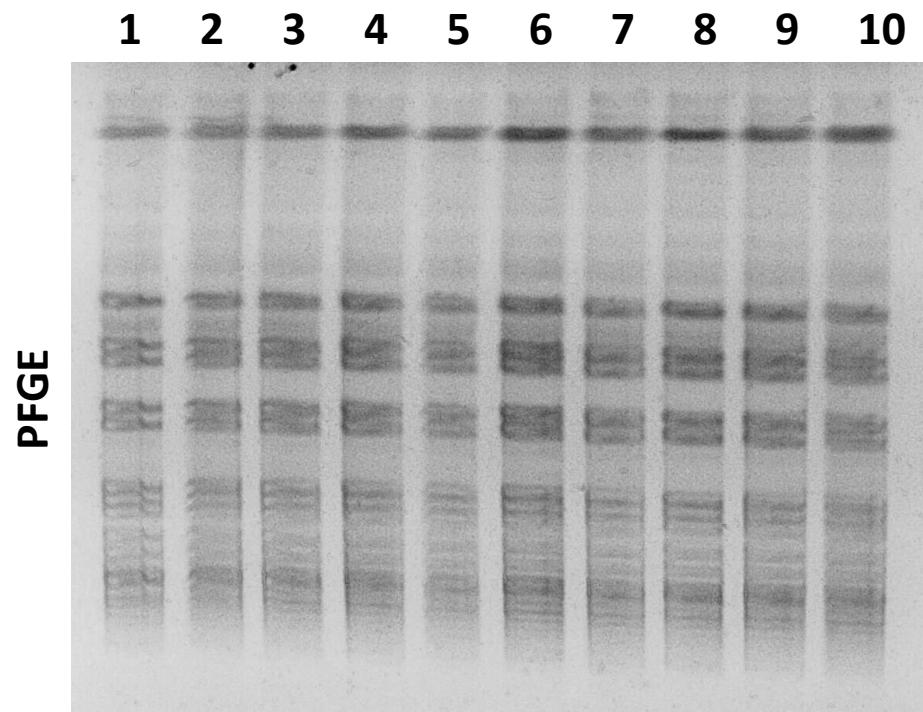
S. epidermidis population heterogeneity *in vivo*

Primary culture from tissues (PJI)

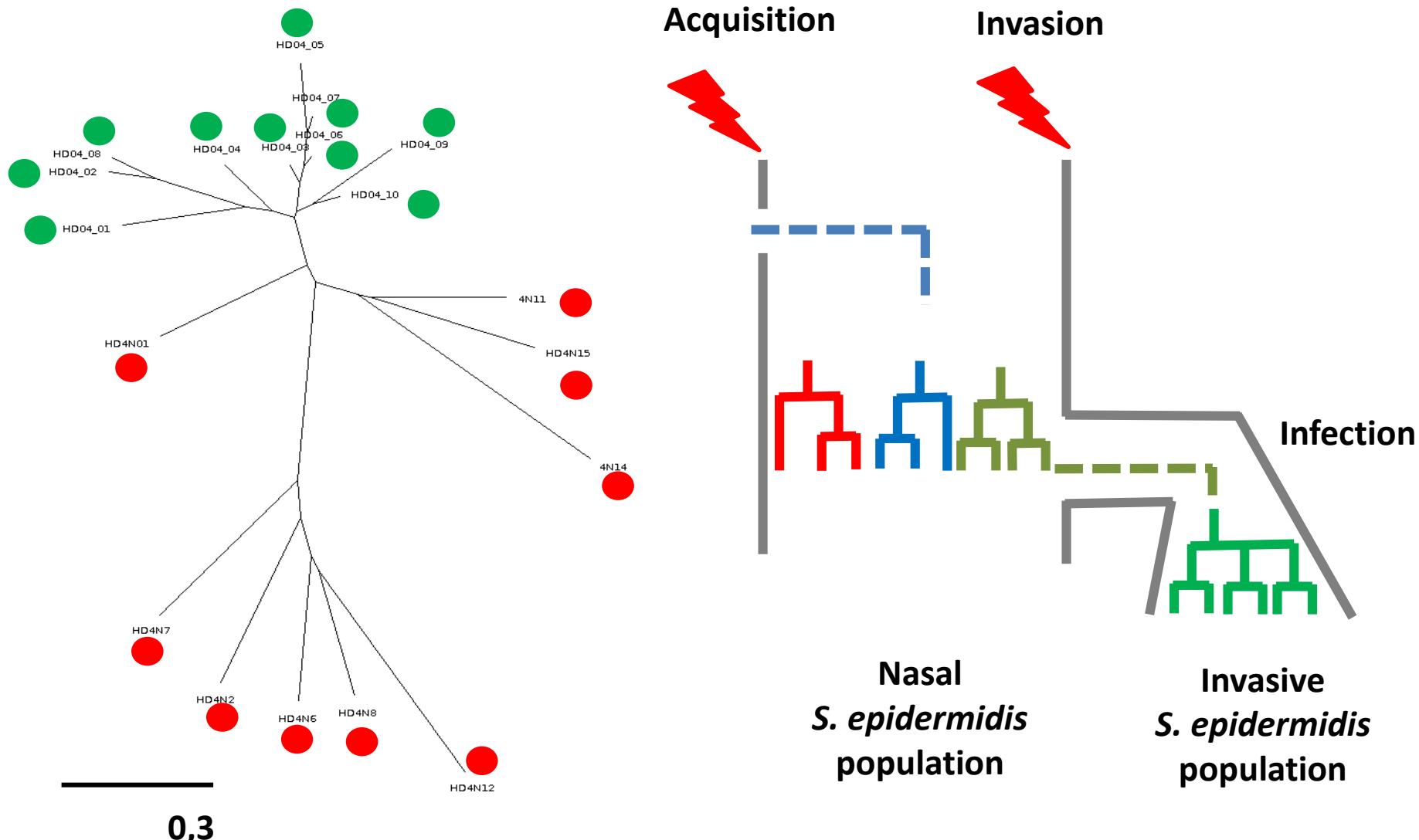


Invasive *S. epidermidis* population

S. epidermidis isolates



S. epidermidis population heterogeneity *in vivo*: genomic plasticity and adaptation



- **Pathogen detection in PJI:** Culture-based diagnostic remains gold standard.
- **Molecular detection of pathogens:** of importance in culture negative cases (e.g. earlier antibiotics therapy). Improvement of sample preparation and standardization necessary.
- **Metagenomik:** unbiased pathogen detection. Potential of molecular pathogen analysis (pathogenicity, resistance). Significant number of unclear aspects (e.g. pre-analytic, sample preparation, bioinformatics, costs).

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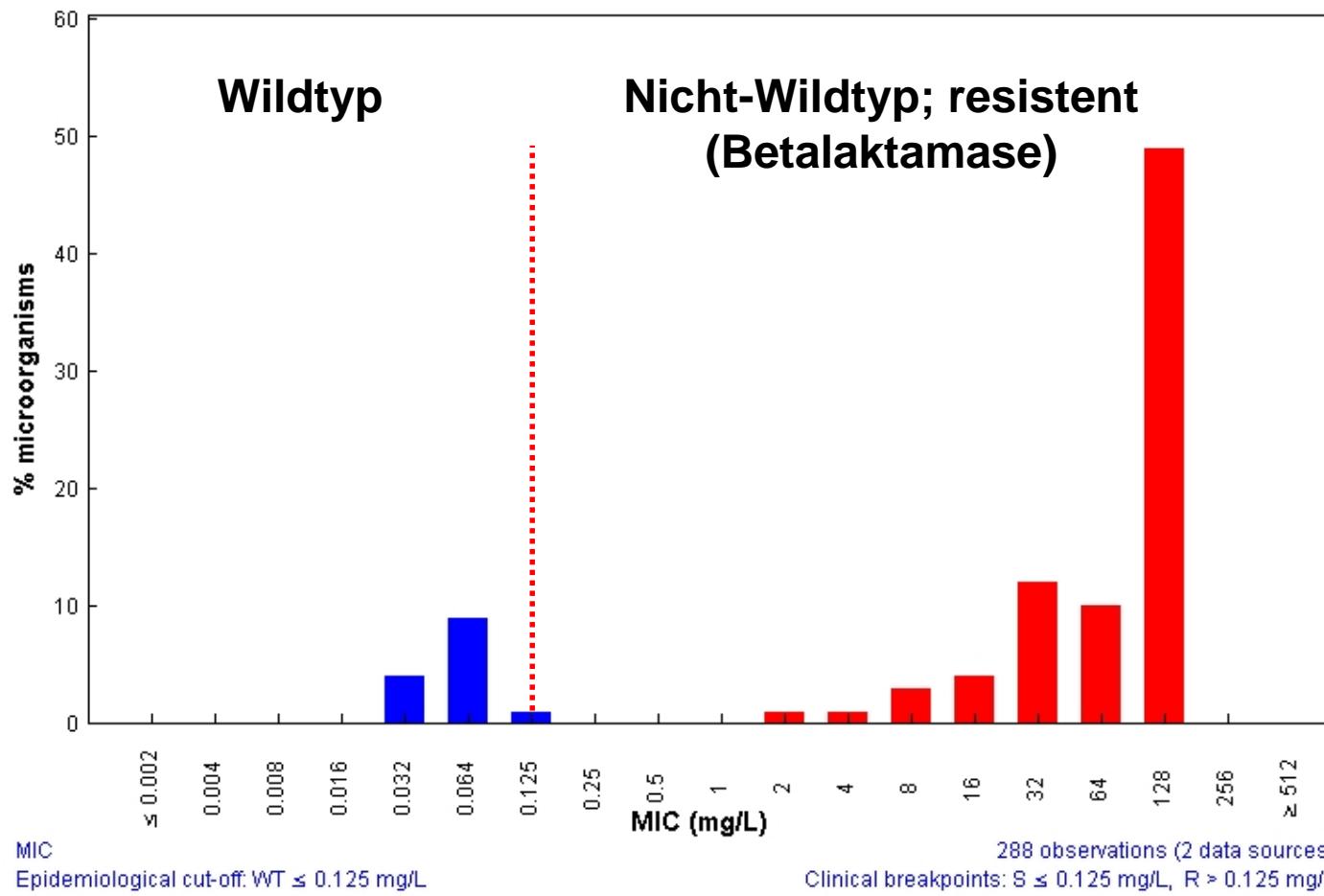
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Vorhersage eines Therapieerfolgs durch standardisierte Empfindlichkeitsprüfung

Benzylpenicillin / *Staphylococcus aureus* MSSA
EUCAST MIC Distribution - Reference Database 2011-05-23

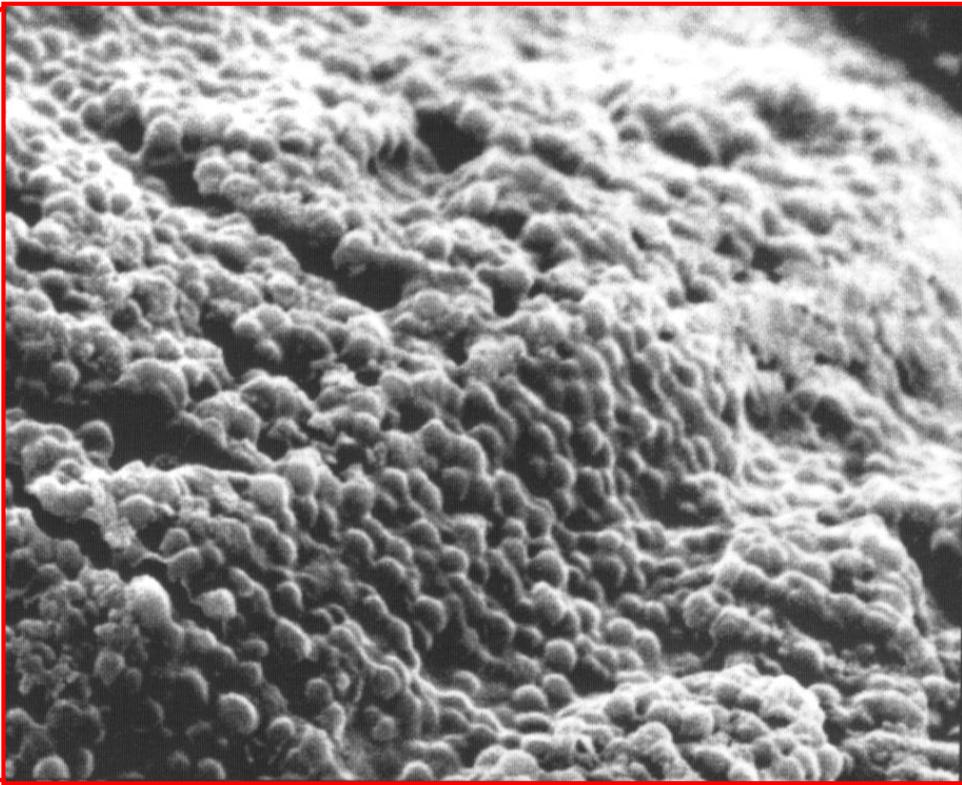
MIC distributions include collated data from multiple sources, geographical areas and time periods and can never be used to infer rates of resistance



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Biofilmbildung ist das wesentliche Merkmal bakterieller Physiologie bei PJI



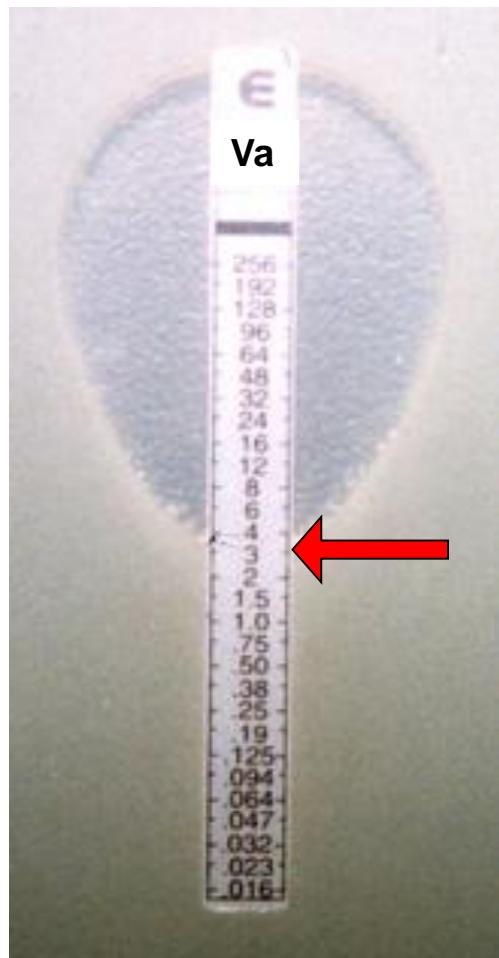
Metagenomische Detektion von Erregern bei PJI

TABLE 1 List of contaminant genera detected in negative controls

Read count	Genus ^a	Previous report(s) ^b
2,017,563	<i>Acinetobacter</i>	29, 42, 44, 45
542,456	<i>Alishewanella</i>	
386,476	<i>Ralstonia</i>	29, 31, 45, 46
186,721	<i>Anaerococcus</i>	26, 42
100,847	<i>Haemophilus</i>	42
23,008	<i>Malassezia</i>	42
16,734	<i>Enhydrobacter</i>	29
14,034	<i>Sphingomonas</i>	29, 31, 45
3,705	<i>Paenibacillus</i>	
3,338	<i>Delftia</i>	29, 42
3,179	<i>Corynebacterium</i>	25, 29, 42
2,669	<i>Cutibacterium</i>	25, 26, 29, 42
	<i>Bradyrhizobium^c</i>	29, 31, 32

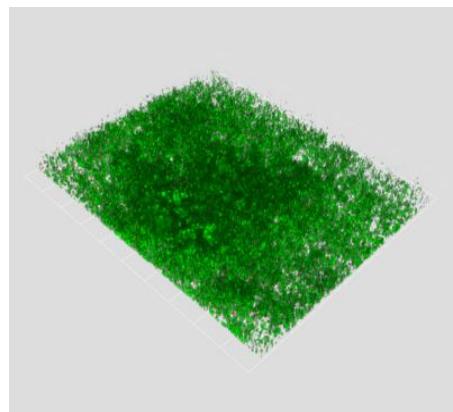
Biofilmbildung als Ursache phänotypischer Resistenz

MHK unter Standardbedingungen

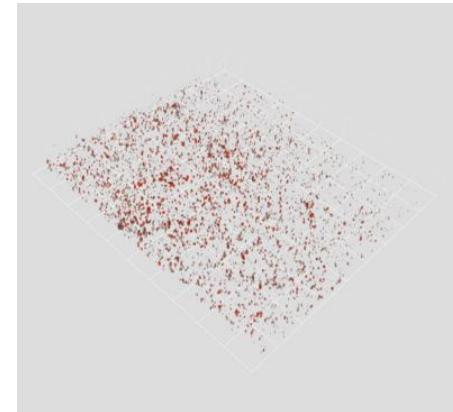


Abtötung von Biofilm-bildenden Bakterien

S. epidermidis (lebend)



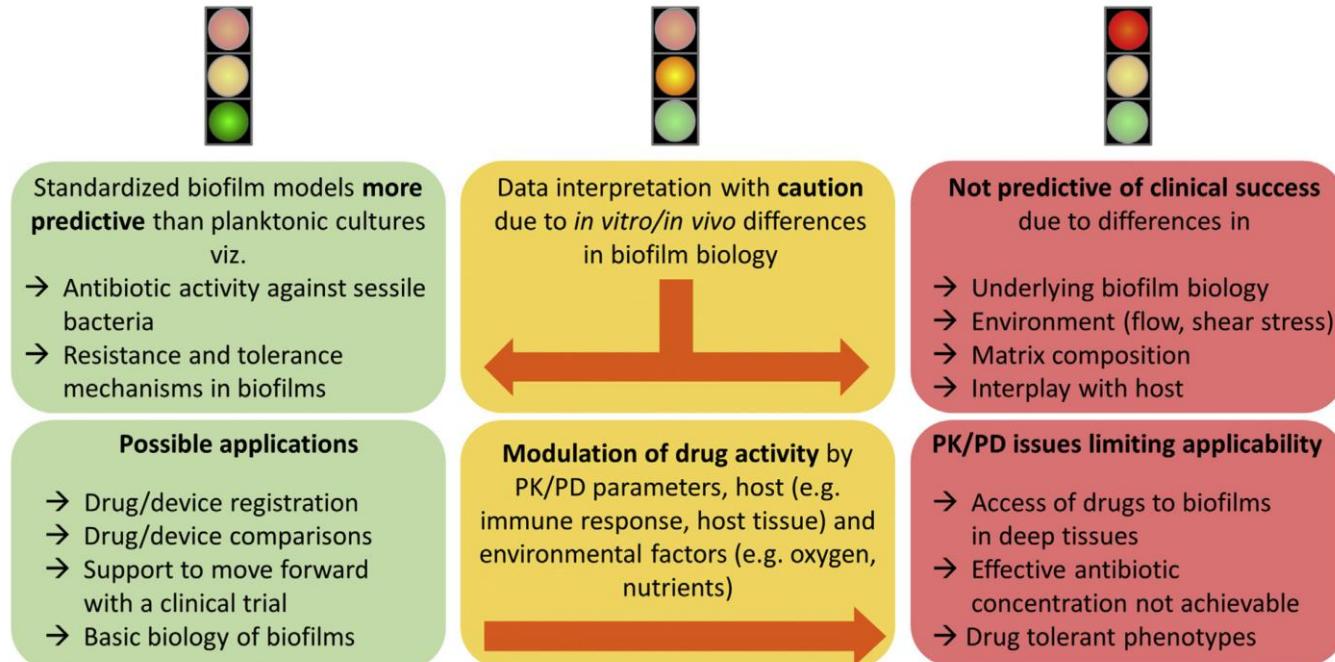
S. epidermidis (tot)



Grün: Lebend-Farbstoff

Rot: Tot-Farbstoff

Aufbau von Systemen zur Beschreibung der Empfindlichkeit biofilmbildender Erreger



Coenye et al., CMI 2018

Es fehlen:

- Geeignete durchsatzfähige Systeme zur Bestimmung der Empfindlichkeit in Biofilmen.
- systematische Daten zur Beschreibung der differentiellen Empfindlichkeit an definierten Patientenisolaten.
- Prospektive, klinische Daten.

Neue Verfahren zur Empfindlichkeitsprüfung bakterieller Erreger

Durchflusszytometrie

Huang et al., Anal Chem 2015

Mikrofluidik

Matsumoto et al., PLoS One 2016

Nanoscale Kulturen

Weibull et al., JCM 2014

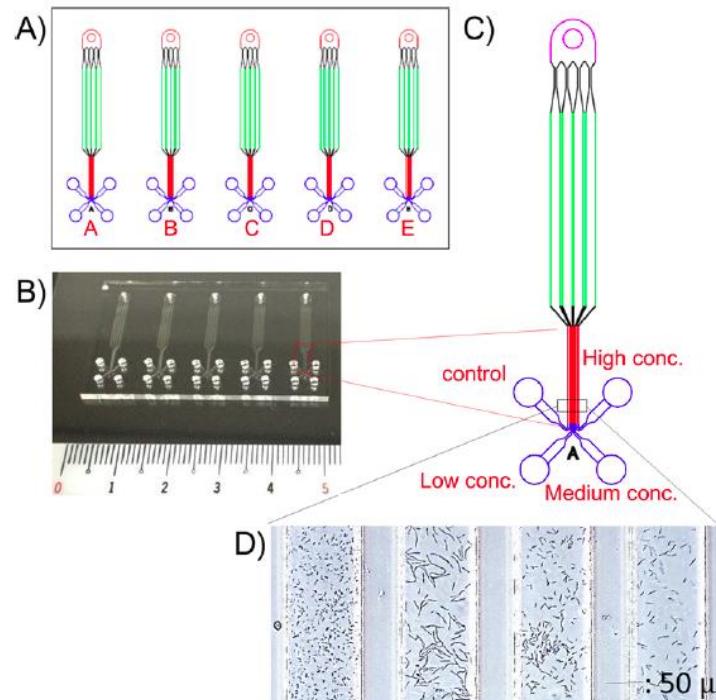
Smarticles: lebende Bakterien emittieren Licht

Roche Diagnostics

High resolution imaging

Accelerate Diagnostics

Mikrofluidik: Bakterielles Wachstum in AB-Gradienten

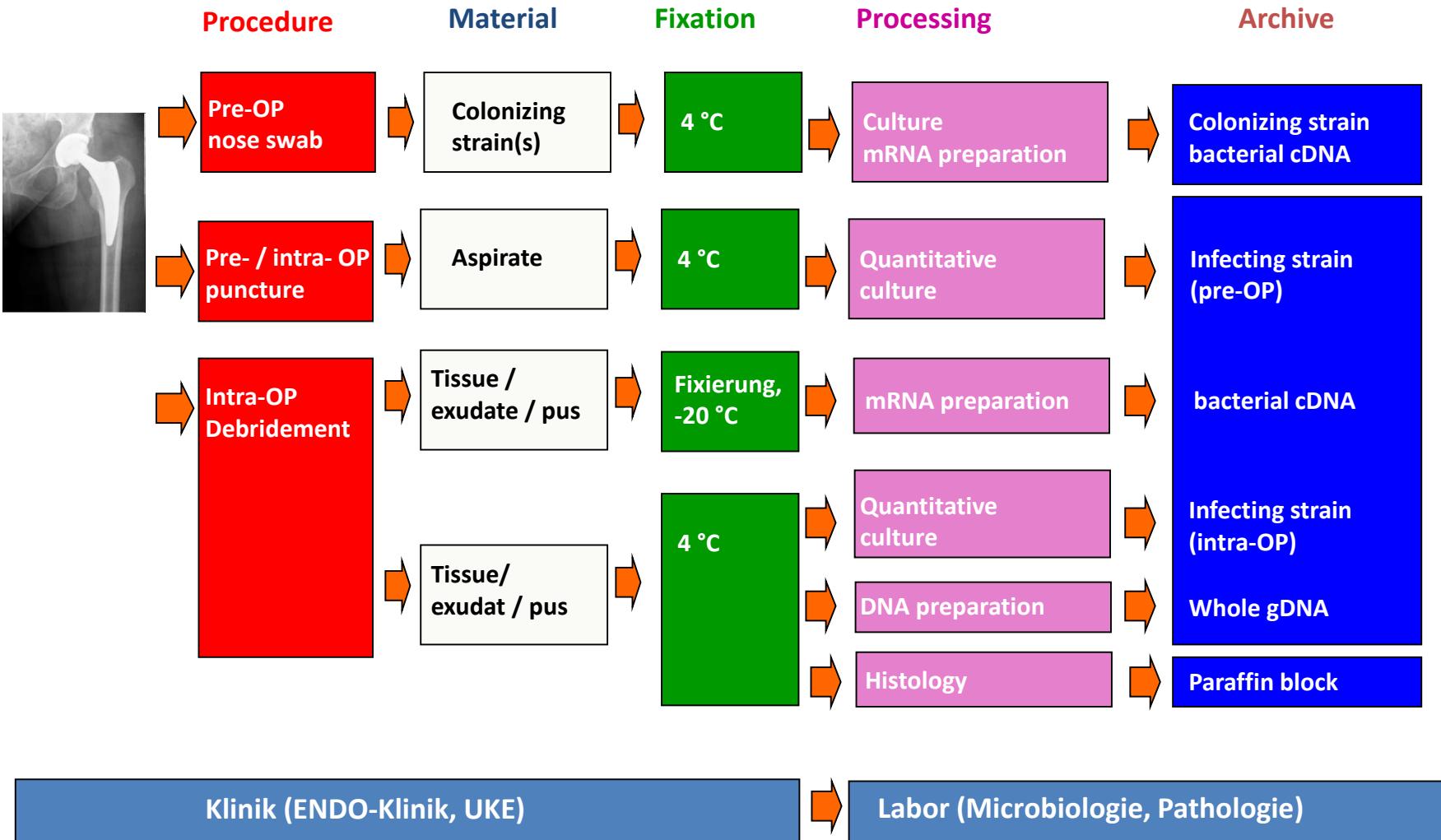


Matsumoto et al., PLoS One 2016

- **Empfindlichkeitsprüfung:** Methoden zur sicheren Vorhersage von Resistenzphänotypen im Biofilm fehlen. Durchsatzfähigkeit und Möglichkeit zur Testung von Synergismen sollten Ziele technischer Innovation sein.
- **Derzeit sind keine Daten zur klinischen Nutzbarkeit verfügbar:** Es mangelt an zuverlässigen prospektiven Datensätzen.

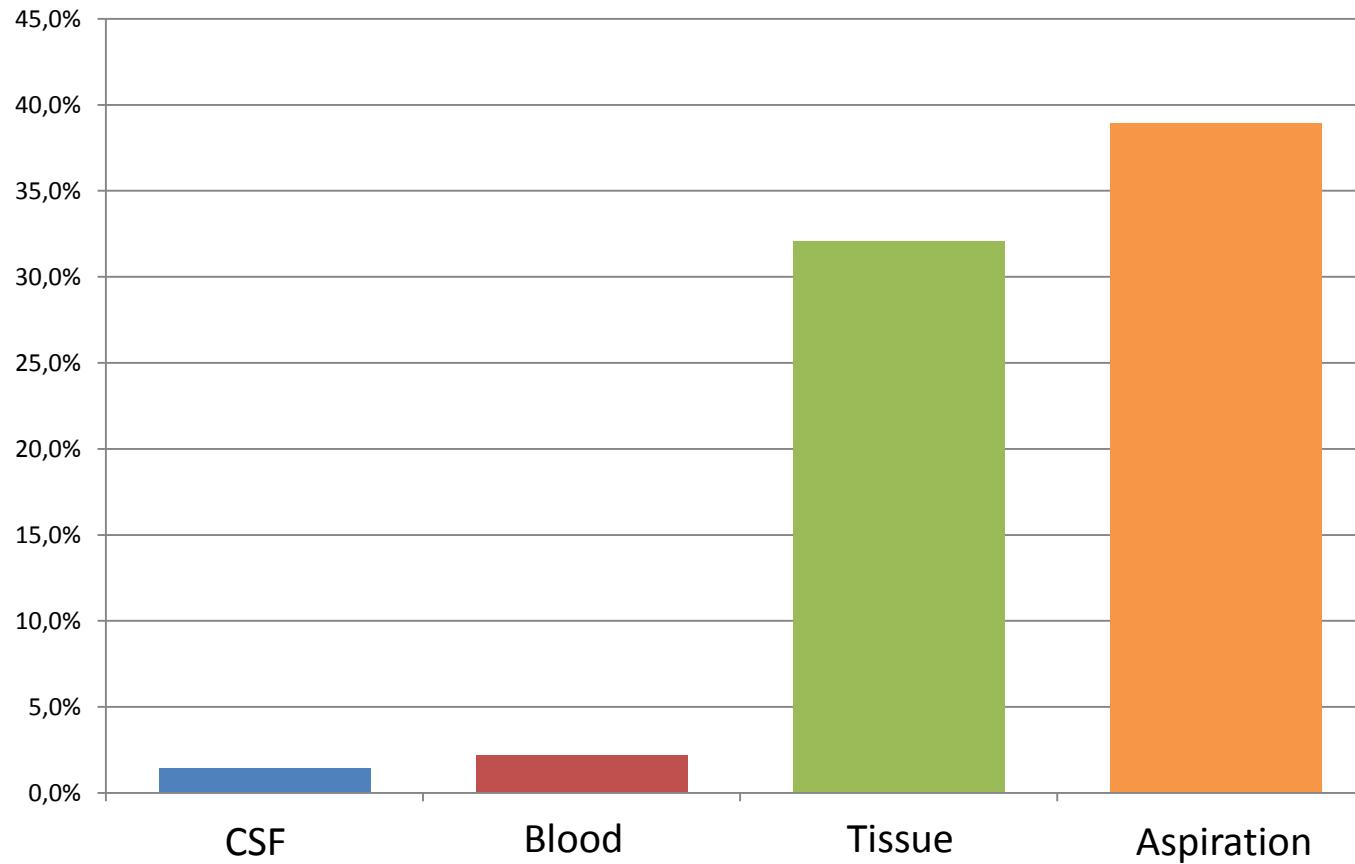
Aufbau einer Kohorte “Prosthetic device infections”

Hamburg prosthetic device infection cohort study (HAPDICS)



Broad range detection of bacterial pathogens: real world experience

Positivity rate 16S-PCR [specimen]



Broad range detection of bacterial pathogens: a positive experience

Detection of pathogens in explanted heart valves

137 episodes (172 samples): PCR and culture from explanted valve material

	PCR positive	PCR negative
Culture positive	22	77
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Culture positive	PCR positive	Viridans streptococci	5
	22	<i>Enterococcus faecalis</i>	5
		<i>Staphylococcus epidermidis</i>	5
		<i>Cutibacterium acnes</i>	2
		<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	2
Culture negative	38	<i>Corynebacterium diphtheriae</i>	1
		<i>Gemella species</i>	1
		<i>Staphylococcus lugdunensis</i>	1

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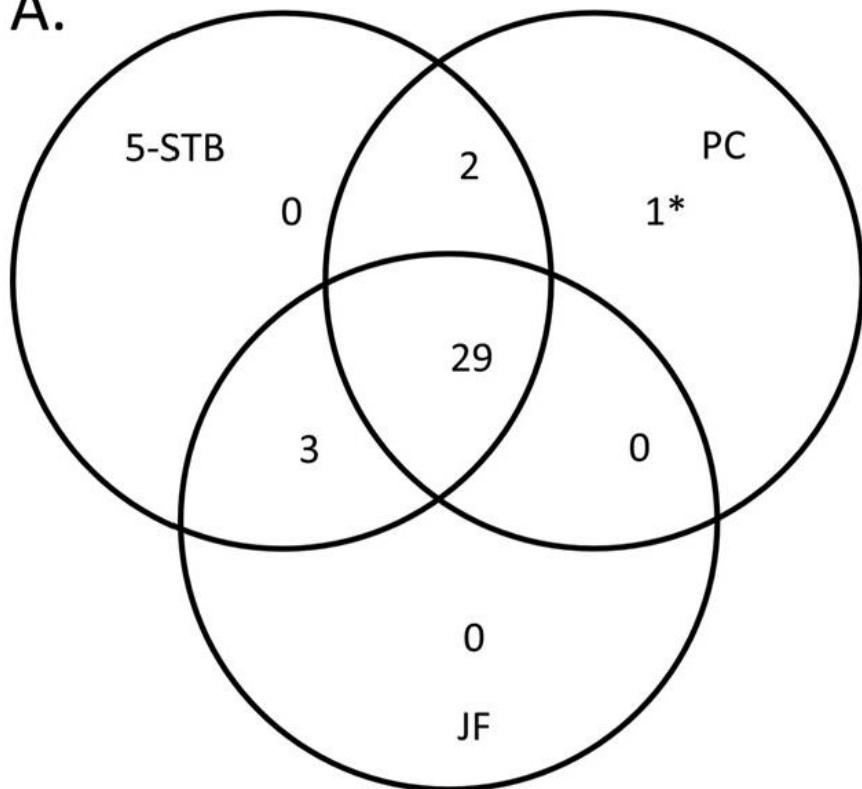
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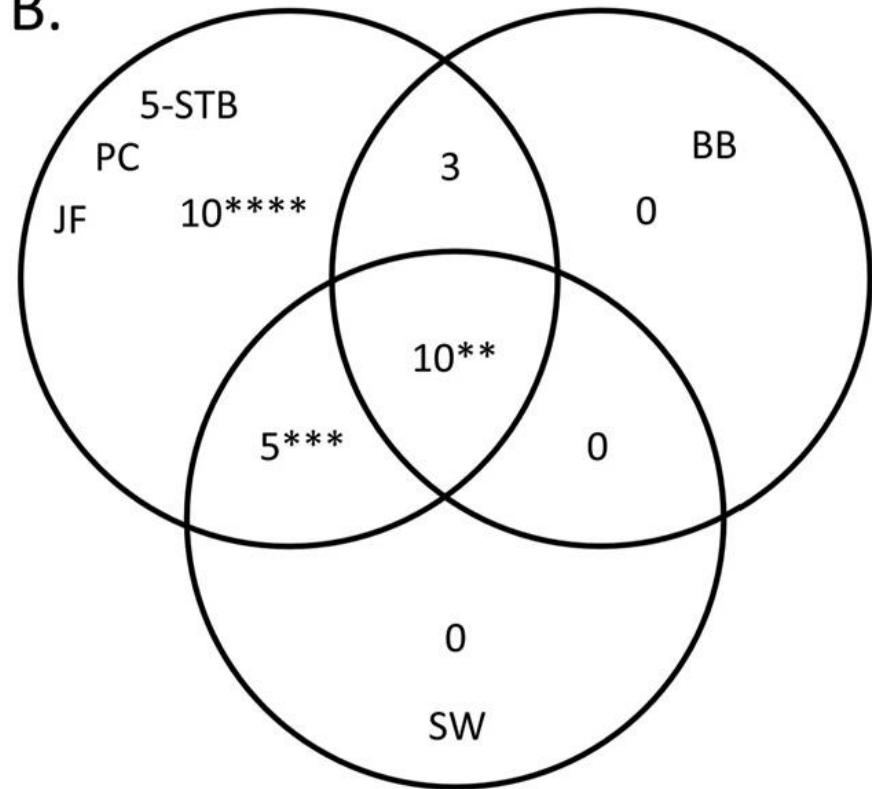
n=15: pathogen recovery from blood cultures
n=23: culture-negative

Diagnostic specimens: importance of tissue cultures

A.



B.



5-STB: 5 soft tissue biopsies

PC: prosthetic components

JF: Joint fluid

BB: bone biopsies

SW: prosthetic swab