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| Clinical features and settings | Children (<19 years) with malignancy, fever (not defined), neutropenia (ANC < 0.5×100^9 /l, or expected to fall to this value within 24 hours) |
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| Participants | 68 FN episodes in 32 children. Median age 7.6 years. 50/68 had haematologic malignancy. 32/68 episodes were clinically documented infection, 36/68 were fever of unknown origin. |
| Study design | Prospective observational study. Unclear whether consecutive sample. Slovenia |
| Target condition and | Clinically documented infection: bacteraemia, clinical sepsis (septic episode with negative blood cultures) or local infection (fever with clinically or microbiologically |

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| reference standard(s) | documented local infection). |
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| Index and comparator | CRP: threshold > 60 mg/l (measured on the first day of the FN episode) |
| | CRP: threshold > 124 mg/l (measured on the second day of the FN episode) CRP: threshold > 111 mg/l (measured on the third day of the FN episode) |
| Follow-up | Complete blood counts and CRP were measured daily. |
| Notes | |