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Clinical features and settings	Children and young adults (<20 years) with malignancy and chemotherapy related fever (>35.5°C or >38.0°C on 2 occasions within 4 hours) and neutropenia (ANC < 0.5 X10 ⁹ /L), admitted to a single hospital. Study period not reported.
Participants	121 FN episodes in 56 children. Mean age was 8 years. 20/121 episodes had bacteraemia with a Gram-positive organism, 5/121 had bacteraemia with a Gram-negative organism
Study design	Retrospective observational study. Unclear whether consecutive or random sample. Germany
Target condition and reference standard(s)	Bacteraemia (Gram negative or positive): not defined further.
Index and comparator tests	CRP: thresholds 2, 5 and 10 mg/dL (CHECK UNITS)
Follow-up	Tests were done before IV antibiotic therapy was started. CRP values used in analysis were the highest of two consecutive measurements in the 24 hours following admission. Diagnostic and clinical evidence of documented infection was gathered in the first 48 hours following admission.
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