

**Martinez-Albarran 2009**

<b>Clinical features and settings</b>	Children (<18 years) with cancer, fever (>38.5°C for at least an hour) and neutropenia (ANC < 0.5 X10 <sup>9</sup> /L) treated between 2006 and 2007.
<b>Participants</b>	54 FN episodes in 54 children. 18/54 had documented infection. Mean age was 6.1 years in those without documented infection and 7.6 years in those with documented infection. 32/53 (59%) had haematological cancer.
<b>Study design</b>	Prospective observational study. Consecutive sample. Mexico
<b>Target condition and reference standard(s)</b>	Severe infection: positive blood or urine culture, clinical signs of sepsis or onset of fever <7 days from the end of last chemotherapy.
<b>Index and comparator tests</b>	Tests were done as soon as the diagnosis of febrile neutropenia was made (before initiation of antibiotics), CRP, threshold 9.06 mg/dL (data driven threshold).
<b>Follow-up</b>	Patients were followed until discharge from hospital
<b>Notes</b>	