Evidence review: preve	ention and management of neutropenic sepsis in cancer patients
Rondinelli 2006	
Clinical features and settings	Children (< 18 years) with cancer, fever (>38°C or >37.8°C on 3 occasions within 24 hours) and neutropenia (<0.5 X 10 ⁹ /l or < 1 X 10 ⁹ /l and falling) admitted to a single hospital between 200 and 2003.

Participants	283 FN episodes in 283 patients. Mean age was 5.2 years. 48.5% had haematological cancers. 93/283 had severe (documented) infection.
Study design	Retrospective observational study. Consecutive sample. Brazil.
Target condition and reference standard(s)	Severe infection complications: defined as the presence of sepsis and/or shock and/or bacteraemia / fungaemia and/or death from infection.
Index and comparator	Not reported when tests were done.
tests	Granulocyte count: threshold 0.5 X 10 ⁹ /l
	Monocyte count: threshold 0.5 X 10 ⁹ /l
	Leucocytes: threshold 0.5 X 10 ⁹ /l
	Platelets: threshold 20000 units
	Haemoglobin level: threshold 7 g/dL
Follow-up	Not reported
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