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Clinical features and settings	Paediatric cancer patients (<17 years) with neutropenia (ANC <500/mm ³ or <1000/mm ³ and predicted to fall to <500) and fever (≥38.3°C or ≥38.0°C for ≥4 hours). Exclusion criteria: fever occurring after transfusion or G-CSF administration.
Participants	621 FN episodes in 240 patients. Median age was 6 years. 436/621 (70%) episodes were in children with haematological cancer. 345/621 had a documented infection.
Study design	Observational study (not reported whether it was prospective). Consecutive sample. Turkey
Target condition and reference standard(s)	Mortality, Microbiologically documented infection: bacteraemia or positive culture from a usually sterile site. Documented infection: microbiologically documented infection or clinical / lab findings suggestive of sepsis or focal organ involvement in defined cases
Index and comparator tests	Tests were done at admission to hospital. ANC, threshold 100 / μL AMC, threshold 100 / μL Mean CRP was reported for those with and without documented infection and with/without microbiologically documented infection.
Follow-up	Not reported
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