YOU ARE WHAT YOU EALSI

- ▶PATRICK C. CULLINAN, DO FCCM, FACOI, FACOEP
- NEURO INTENSIVIST SPECIALIST, DEPARTMENT OF NEUROSURGERY, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AT SAN ANTONIO, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS
- ► ADJUNCT ASSOCIATE CLINICAL PROFESSOR, UNIVERSITY OF INCARNATE WORD SCHOOL OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

DISCLOSERS

NONE

OBJECTIVES

- WHEN AND HOW TO FEED TO IMPACT SEPSIS?
- HOW MUCH NUTRITION IS ENOUGH?
- SUPPLEMENTS AND THEIR ROLE IN SEPSIS MANAGEMENT?
- HOW DOES PREMORBID MEDICATIONS ALTER SEPSIS?

SEPSIS

▶ 1.7 MILLION INDIVIDUALS PER YEAR

► 250K DEATHS PER YEAR

▶ 24 BILLION DOLLARS IN COST



- ▶ Gastrointestinal microenvironment
 - ► Single cell layer of epithelia
 - ▶ Local immune system
 - ▶ Microbiome
- 4 dominant phyla
 - ▶ Firmicutes (bad)
 - ▶ Bacteroides (good)
 - ▶ Actinomycetota
 - ▶ Pseudomonadota

- **▶** Bacteroides
- ▶ Clostridium
- ▶ Faecalibacterium
- ▶ Eubacterium
- ► Ruminococcus
- ▶ Peptococcus
- Peptostreptococcus
- ▶ Bifidobacterium

- ▶ Firmicutes: Bacteroides ratio
 - ► Shifts with aging
 - Associated with metabolic syndromes
 - ▶Type 2 diabetes
 - ▶NAFLD
 - ► Atherosclerotic vascular disease
 - ▶ Low fiber reduces the variety of gut bacteria
 - Carbs/Protein are required for SCFA which in-turn inproves the immune response
 - ▶T cells
 - ▶Enhances the gut integrity

- ▶ Bacteroides Fragilis
 - ▶ reduces inflammation
- ▶ Clostridium
 - Improves T cell development
 - ▶ Suppresses autoimmune diseases
- ► Firmicutus
 - ► Modulates immune response
 - ▶ Promotes a pro-inflammatory state



- ▶ Gut failure
- ► lleus
 - Absent bowel sounds
 - ► Abdominal distention
 - ▶ Vomiting
 - Decrease GI motility with high residuals
- Diarrhea
- Gl bleed (gastric ulcerations)
- ▶ If 3 of these symptoms are present on ICU day 1:
 - > 3 FOLD INCREASE IN MORTALITY

- Gut failure
 - Intestinal permeability (vagal nerve stimulation reduces this)
 - ▶ Upregulation of apoptosis

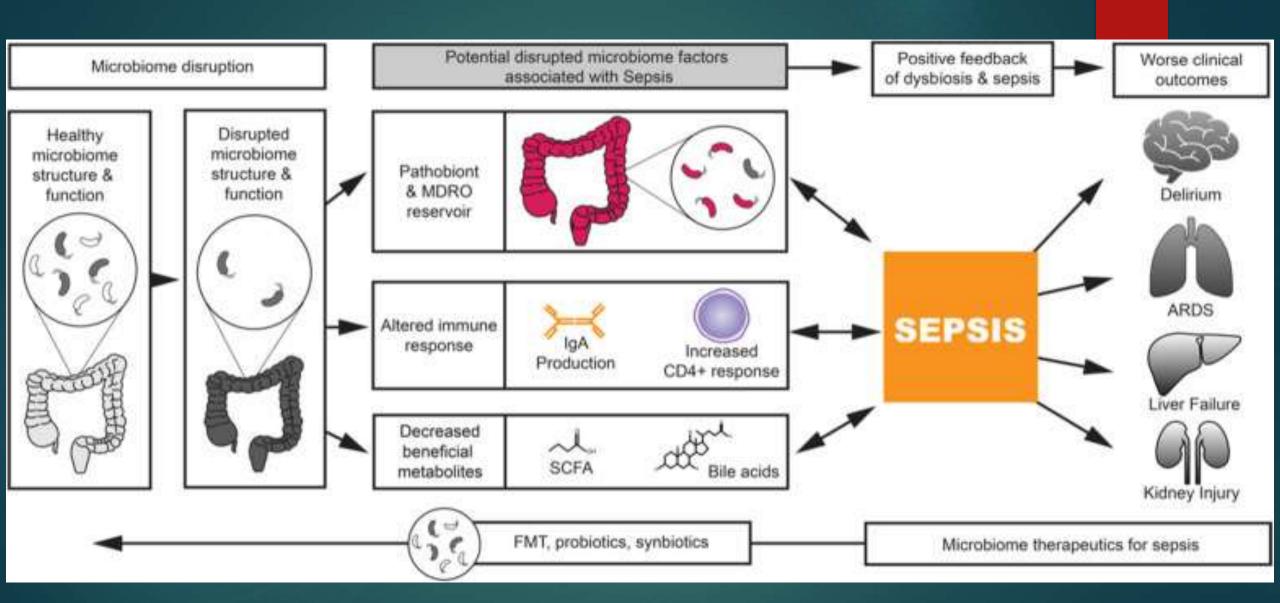
- ► Alters systemic and local inflammation
- ▶ Changes the microbiome composition

- Dysbiosis
 - Microbial contents
 - ▶Introduction via oropharynx
 - ▶ Elimination via fecal material
 - ▶ Regulation/proliferation within the GI tract
 - ▶ Disruption of the microbiome
 - ▶ Antibiotics
 - **▶**PPI
 - **▶**TPN

- Dysbiosis becomes pathobiome
 - ▶ Loss of microbial diversity
 - ▶ Dominance of pathogenic microorganisms
 - Alterations leading to a more virulent organism

- Phosphate depletion
 - ▶ TPN use
 - ▶ Liver disease
 - ▶ Malabsorption/malnutrition

- ▶ Gut microbia disruptions are associated with:
 - ▶ Asthma
 - Epilepsy
 - ▶ Sepsis
 - ▶ C. Difficile
- ▶ Prime the immune system
 - ▶ T-cell
 - ► Humoral system IgA







NUTRITION

- ► WHERE AND WHEN TO START?
 - ▶ Route
 - ▶ Dose
 - ▶ Timing

ROUTE

- ► Enteral nutrition has several advantages
 - ► Maintains gut health and integrity
 - ► Modulates the inflammatory state
 - ► Reduces systemic infection
 - ► Reduces organ failure
 - ▶ Reduces hospital LOS

ROUTE

- Calories provided and associated outcomes
 - > 70% increase in mortality (1-7days)
 - > 110% overfeeding
 - ▶Increase mortality and infections
 - ►Increase glucose levels
 - ▶Increase lipids and fat mass
 - ▶Increase CO2
 - ▶ Decrease lean muscle and muscle function

DOSE

- ► CALORIES REQUIRED
 - ▶Indirect caloric vs calculated (no difference)
 - ► Calories 10 kcal/kg 30 kcal/kg ideal body weight
 - ▶10-18 kcal/kg < 7 days and 18-30 kcal/kg > 7 days
 - ▶ Protein –0.8 g/kg early < 4 days
 - ▶1.2 g/kg 2 g/kg > 4 days
 - Not measuring gastric residual volume is recommended (< 500 is acceptable)

TIMING

- ► Early vs Late < 48 hrs (1-4 d) vs > 4-7 d
 - ► Early is superior
 - Avoid while pressors are still escalating
 - ▶ Avoid parenteral nutrition for up to 7 -10 days
 - Reduce mortality
 - ► Reduce infectious morbidity
 - ► Reduce hospital LOS
 - ▶ Reduction in pneumonia

THIAMINE

- ▶ 35% of septic patients have a thiamine deficiency
- ▶ If deficient and supplemented:
 - ▶ Reduced mortality
- ► Low cost, low risk
- ▶ 200 mg/day for 7 days

THIAMINE

- "Metabolic Resuscitation"
 - ▶Thiamine 200 mg every 12 hrs
 - ►Vitamin C 1500 mg every 6 hrs
 - ► Hydrocortisone 50 mg every 6 hrs
- Ongoing research
 - ▶ Renal protection
 - ▶ Neuroprotection post arrest

THIAMINE

- ▶ Patient selection
 - ► Lactic acid is slow to clear despite resuscitation
 - ▶ Alcoholic
 - ► Chronic diuretic use
 - ► Malnutrition
 - ▶ Diabetics
 - **►**ESRD
 - ► Bariatric surgery

VITAMIN D

- ▶ Vitamin D < 12 ng/ml is critically low
 - ▶D3 supplementation improves hospital survival
 - ► 50k-100 IU/day for 5 days

ACID SUPPRESSION

- Proton Pump Inhibitors (PPI) VS Histamine 2 receptor blocker (H2B)
 - ▶ PPI
 - ►Increase in-hospital mortality (6%)
 - ▶Increase GI bleeding (6 times)
 - ▶Increase nosocomial pneumonia (1.32 times)
 - ▶Increase C. Difficile infections
 - Increase cardiovascular risk
 - ►Increase overt bleeding
 - ▶Increase thrombocytopenia

BETA BLOCKERS

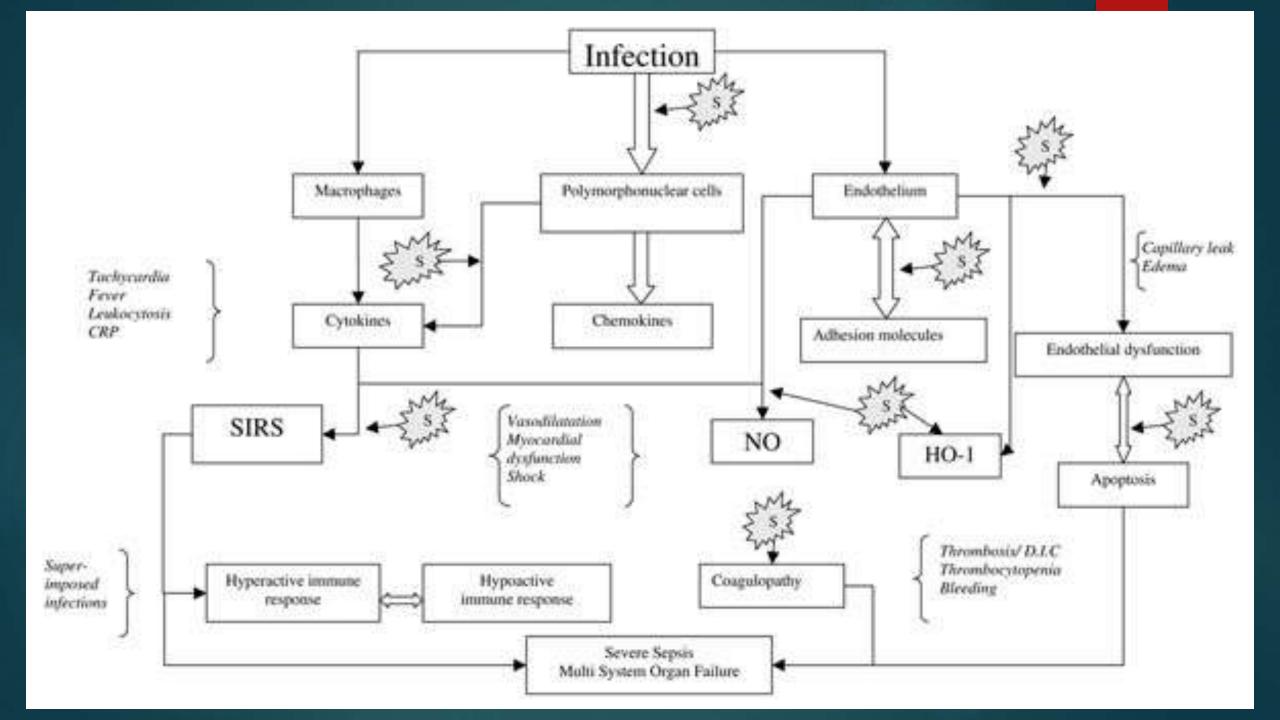
- Are all beta blockers created equal?
 - ► Atenolol, Metoprolol, Bisoprolol (Selective)
 - ► Attenuation /modulation of the immune system through PD-L1 expression
 - ▶ Down regulation of the receptors on T-cells that are upregulated by LPS
 - ▶ Reduces free radical production (ROS)
 - > REDUCTION IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF SEPSIS
 - > REDUCTION IN SEPSIS MORTALITY
 - **►IMPROVE CARDIAC RHYTHMS**
 - ► IMPROVE ACID-BASE STATUS

BETA BLOCKERS

- Sepsis
 - ▶ Increase in catecholamines
 - Increases resting energy expenditure (REE)
 - Increases protein catabolism
 - ▶ Increases blood glucose levels
 - SELECTIVE BETA BLOCKERS MODULATE THESE DELETERIOUS EFFECTS

Macchia et al

- ▶ Pleotropic effects
 - ► Anti-inflammatory
 - ► Anti-oxidant (reduction in ROS)
 - ► Immunomodulatory
 - ► Anti-apoptotic
 - ► Anti-thrombotic



▶ How do statins impact sepsis

- ▶ Reduce 30 day ICU mortality 8%
- ▶ Reduce ICU LOS 6%
- ▶ Reduce 30 hospital LOS 14%

- ► Are all statins created equal?
 - ► Hydrophilic/synthetic vs Lipophilic/fungal

Statin	Derivation	Property
Atorvastatin	Synthetic	Lipophilic
Fluvastatin	Synthetic	Lipophilic
Lovastatin	Fungal	Lipophilic
Pitavastatin	Synthetic	Lipophilic
Pravastatin	Fungal	Hydrophilic
Rosuvastatin	Synthetic	Hydrophilic
Simvastatin	Fungal	Lipophilic

- ▶ Hazard of death with statin use
 - ▶ 13% reduction
 - ▶ Both 30 day and 90 day
- ▶ Synthetic / Hydrophilic > Fungal / lipophilic