

Diabetic foot infection

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Predictor of Major amputation



Ischemia and Infection

IWGDF – Guidelines 2019

Prompers L et al. Prediction of outcome in individuals with diabetic foot ulcers: focus on the differences between individuals with and without pad. The EURODIALE Study. Diabetologia 2008;51:747-55

Problems in managing DFS

- increasingly number of patients
- **multiresistent infections (MRSA, MRGN)**
- **colonisation vs. present infection**
- diagnosis of osteomyelitis
- classification
- comorbidity

PAOD and Diabetes : Clinical reality in Germany

treatment, in –hospital complications and outcome(%)

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	Dm+	Dm-	alle	p	Dm+	Dm-	alle	p
Pat. n (%)	3061 (44,3 %)	3855 (55,7)	6916 (100)		4108 (48,8)	4308 (51,2)	8416 (100)	
Angio	48,1	54,4	51,6	<0,001	48,2	47,6	47,9	
any Revasc	45	55,5	50,9	<0,001	46,5	51,8	49,2	<0,001
EVR	34,2	36,4	35,4		31	28,1	29,5	
Surgery	13,4	23,4	19	<0,001	19,7	29,6	24,8	<0,001
ARF	2	1,7	1,8		2,8	2,8	2,8	
AMI	0,7	0,9	0,8		1,9	1,6	1,7	
Insult	0,5	0,4	0,4		0,8	0,7	0,7	
Infection	35,3	23,5	28,7	<0,001	44,3	27,4	35,7	<0,001
Sepsis	4,9	4,5	4,7		6,7	5	5,8	0,001
Major-Amp.	13	7,3	9,8	<0,001	47,5	36,7	42	<0,001
Mortality	2,6	4	3,4	0,002	7,3	9,3	8,3	0,001

IWGDF Recommendations

Infection refers to any part of the foot, not only to a wound or an ulcer.

Clinically significant foot ischemia makes both diagnosis and treatment of infection more difficult !

Signs of infection are often blunted

Infections should be classified using the IWGDF/IDSA scheme

If osteomyelitis is demonstrated, classify foot as either grade 3 or grade 4 (add O)

IWGDF/IDSA foot infection classification system

Clinical classification of infection	IWGDF classification
Uninfected :	
No systemic or local symptoms or signs of infection	1 (uninfected)
Infected : At least 2 of these items are present: local swelling / induration, erythema > 0,5 cm around the wound local tenderness or pain, local increased warmth purulent discharge	
Infection with no systemic manifestations , and involving: only the skin or subcutaneous tissue and any erythema < 2 cm around the wound	2 (mild infection)
Infection with no systemic manifestations, and involving: erythema > 2cm from the wound margin tissue deeper than subcutaneous tissue (e.g. tendon, muscle, joint, bone)	3 (moderate infection)
Infection with associated systemic manifestations/SIRS as manifested by > 2 of the following: Temp > 38°C or < 36 C°, heart rate > 90/min, respiratory rate > 20 breaths/min or PaCO ₂ <32 mmHg, leukocytes > 12.000/nl or < 4.000/nl	4 (severe infection)

Treatment of Infection

Antibiotic therapies in DFS (47;48)

	mild (Grade 1)	moderate (Grade 2)	severe (Grade 3)
Application	oral	oral or parenteral	parenteral
Clindamycin, Cephalexin, Amoxicillin/Clavulansre., Levofloxacin	+ + + +		
Cefotixin Ceftriaxon Ampicillin/Sulbactam Cefuroxim + Metronidazol Ciprofloxacin + Clindamycin		+ + + + +	
Piperacillin / Tazobactam Ciprofloxacin/Levofloxacin + Clindamycin Imipenem			+ + +
Vancomycin + Ceftazidim (bei MRSA)			+

Additions from actual studies in DFS

Fungal foot infection are often overlooked in diabetes foot lesions

prevalence 52-86% in Type 2 diabetics

prevalence 15 % in osteomyelitis (DFO)

Torrence GM et al. J Lower Extrem Wounds 2018

No continuing postsurgical antibiotic administration in routine amputation for DFI

neither duration of postsurgical antibiotic therapy nor immediate postoperative discontinuation altered failure/recurrence rate (17%)

Rossel A et. Endocrin Diab Metab 2019

There is no treshold for optimal duration or administration of antibiotics

Neither duration nor parenteral treatment reduce the risk of recurrence

Gariani K et al. Diab Obesity Metab 2019

Culture of bone biopsy specimens overestimates rate of residual osteomyelitis after toe or forefoot amputation

Mijuskovic B et al. J Bone Joint Surg 2018

Previous DFI episode did not predict a greater likelihood of any MRSA/MRGN

Antibiotic-resistant pathogens (MRSA/MRGN) are not more common in subsequent episodes of DFI. Staph aureus is predominant

Lebowitz D et al. Int J Infec Dis 2017



mild infection 28,3 %

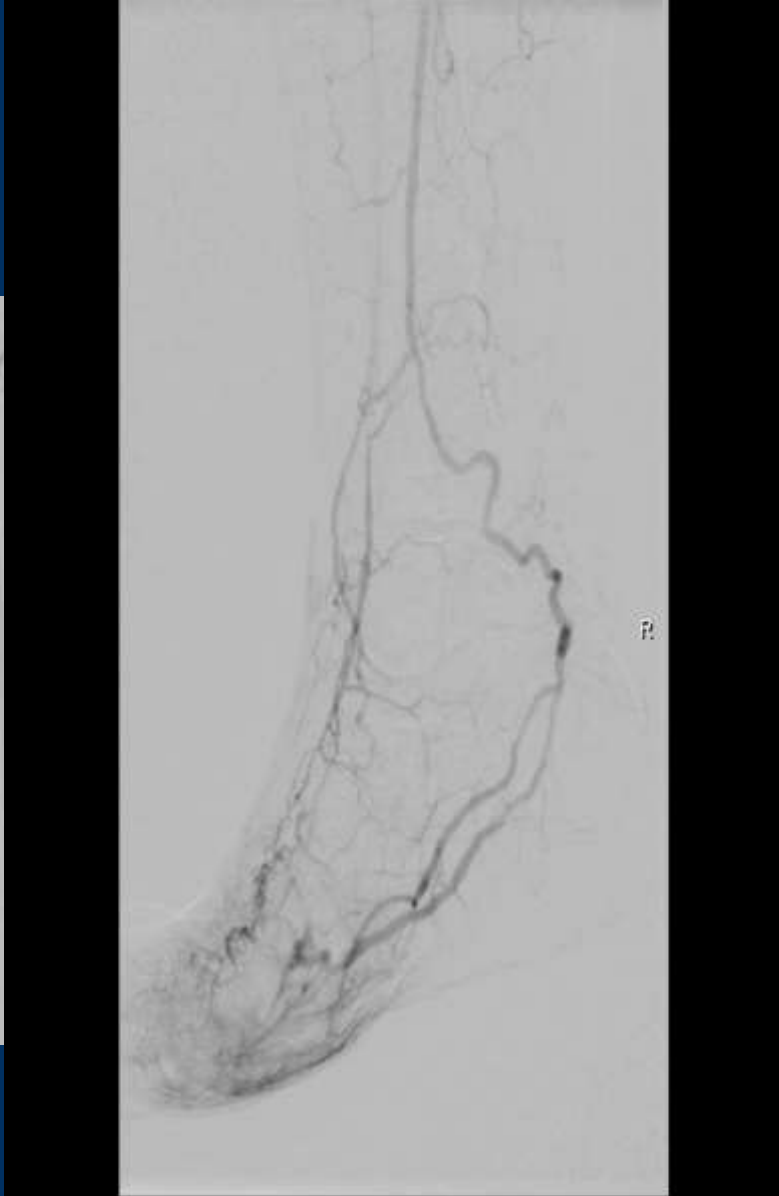
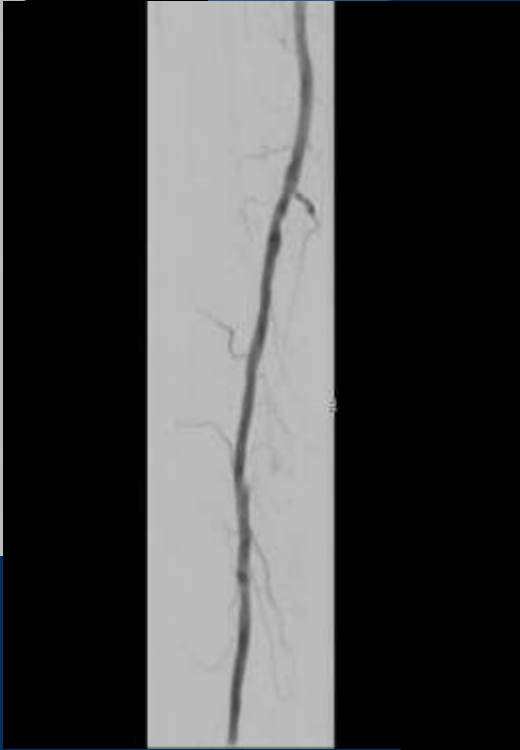
Aragon-Sanchez J et al. Int J Low Extrem Wounds 2011

Osteiitis 25 – 50 %

conservative treatment (offloading and antibiotics) are in limited osteomyelitis superior to surgical approach or amputation

Aragon-Sanchez J et al. Diab Foot Ankle 2016





DFI : don't overlook septical arterial thrombosis

- typical clinical signs are often missing
- rapidly transformation into necrosis



Tailor therapy based on microbiological results and clinical response

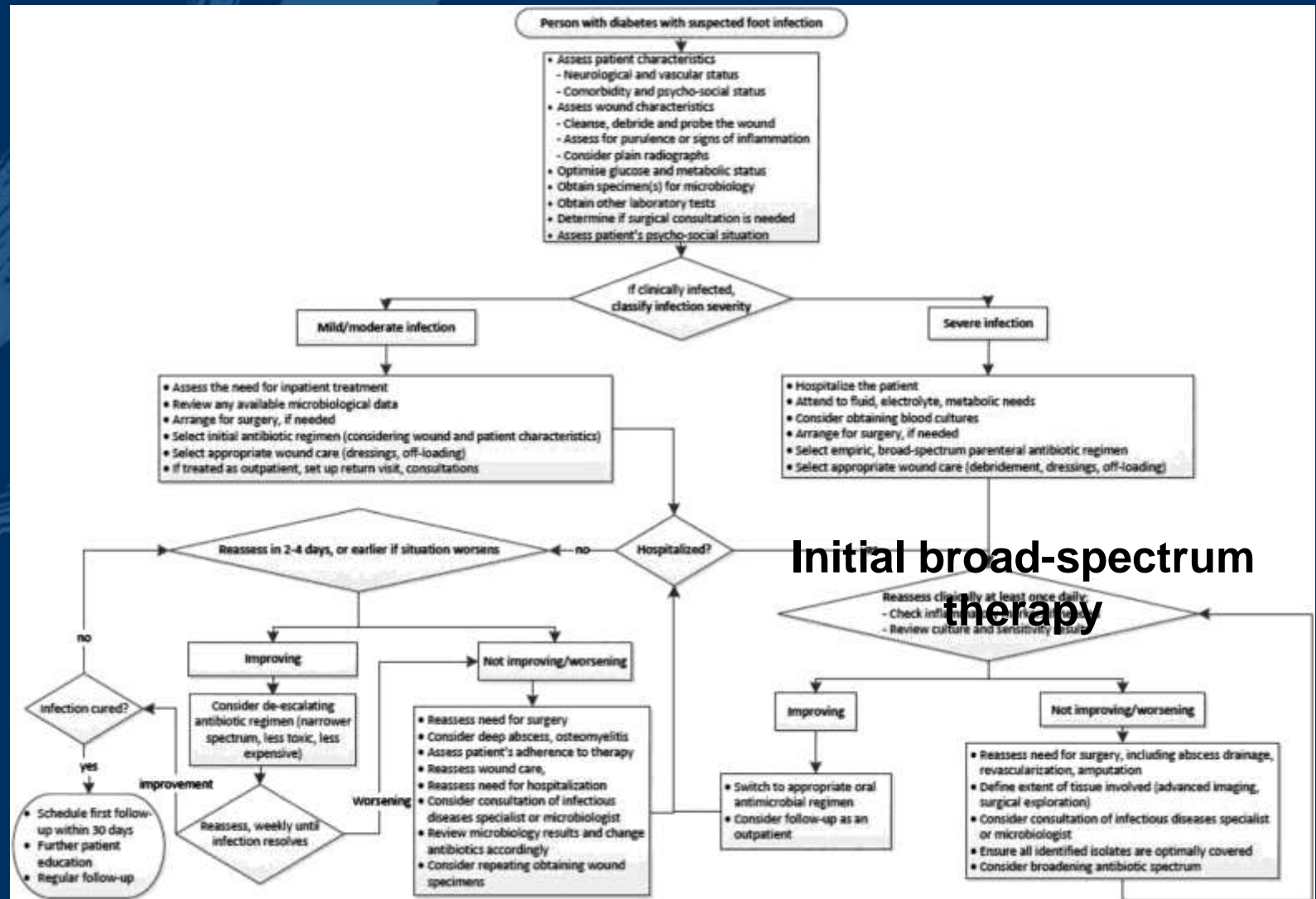


Figure 2. Algorithm overview of the approach to the patient with diabetes and a foot infection



Are there any questions ?

**Antibiotics do not heal the ulcer,
they are useful in case of bacterial
infections !**

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