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### **Diagnostic Criteria for Sepsis in Burns Patients**

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#### **Abstract**

Sepsis with multiple-organ dysfunction represents the major cause of death in severe burns patients. Adequate and rapid treatments presume an accurate and prompt diagnosis. Specific criteria for sepsis diagnosis were proposed and introduction in clinical practice of the Surviving Sepsis Campaign has been associated with an improvement in sepsis management and decreased mortality. Hereby, the specific criteria for sepsis diagnosis adapted for burns patients are discussed.

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