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# Adverse events (AE) during prosthetic joint infection (PJI) empirical antimicrobial therapy: a five year prospective cohort study

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**Tolerance?**

# Material & Methods

Prospective cohort of the reference centre for the management of PJs, between 2011/2016

## Inclusion criteria

All adult patients (>18 years) managed for a PJ who received an empirical antimicrobial therapy

## Prosthetic joint infection

Clinical, morphological, microbiological and therapeutic criteria

## Adverse events

- Prospective collection of AE occurring on empirical antimicrobial therapy (until 21<sup>st</sup> day)
- Retrospective collection of the AE characteristics
- Classification according to the National Cancer Institute (CTCAE)

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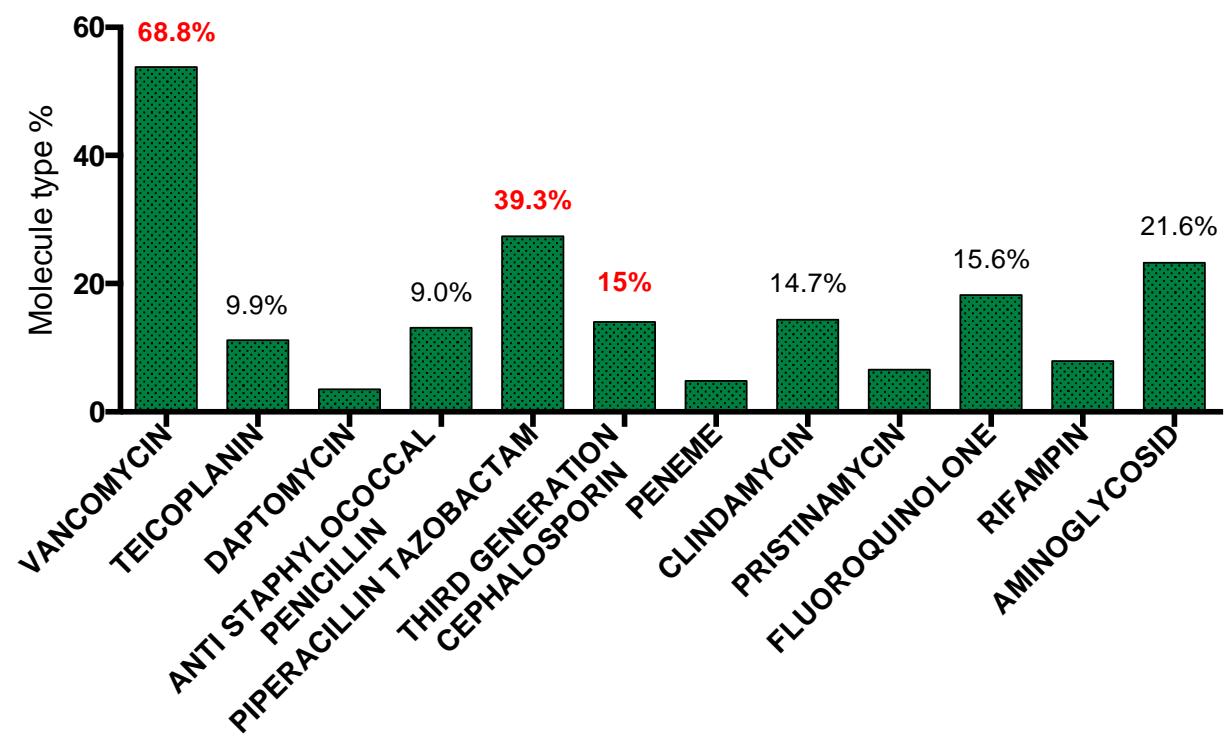
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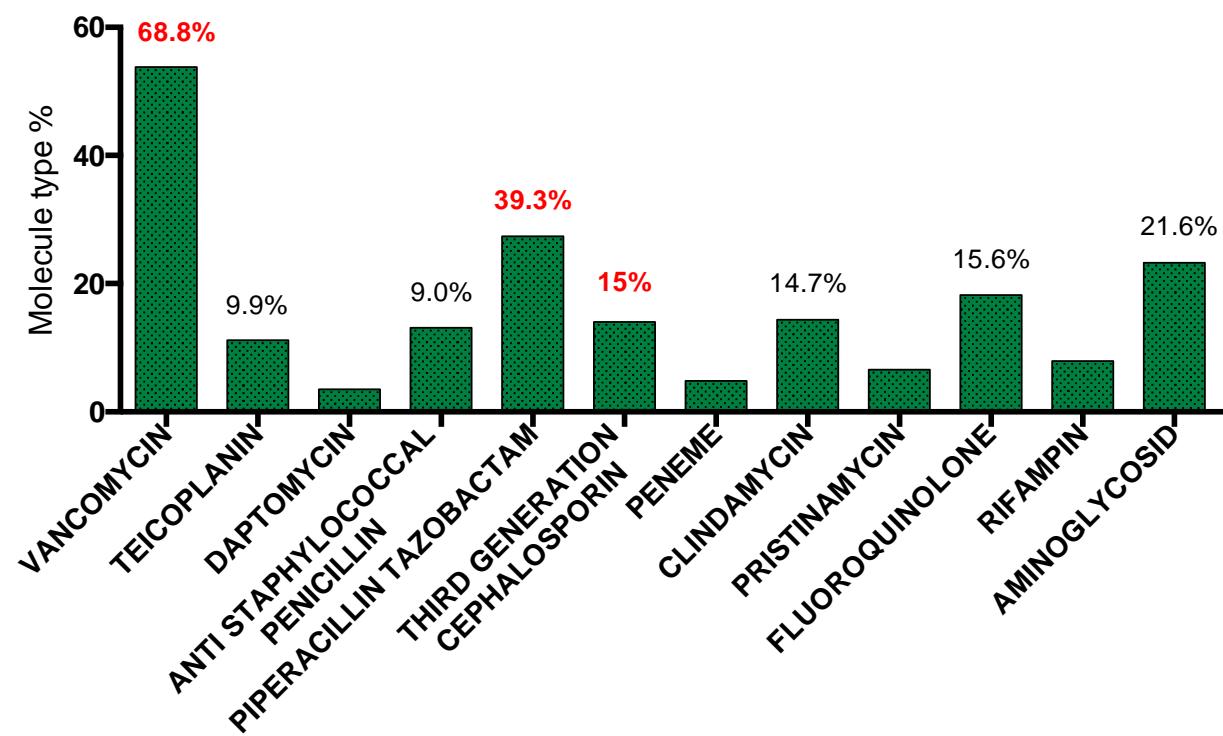
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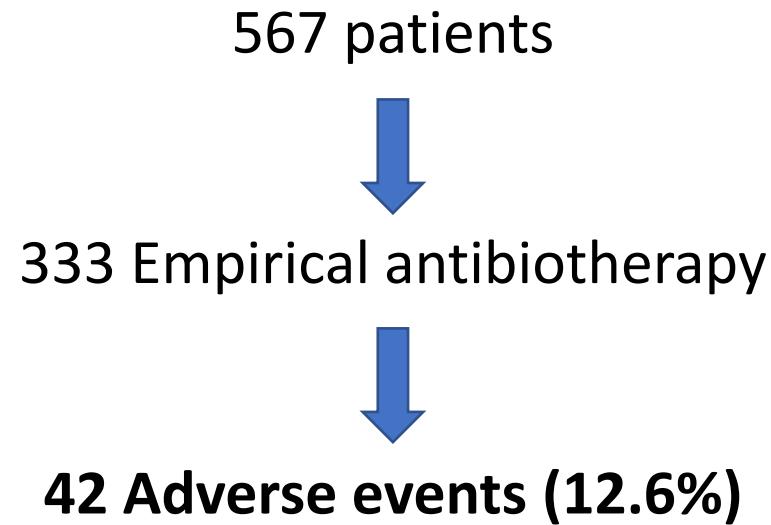
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## Main combinations

VANCOMYCIN + PIPERACILLIN/TAZOBACTAM  
123 (37%)

VANCOMYCIN + 3rd GENERATION CEPHALOSPORIN  
33 (10%)

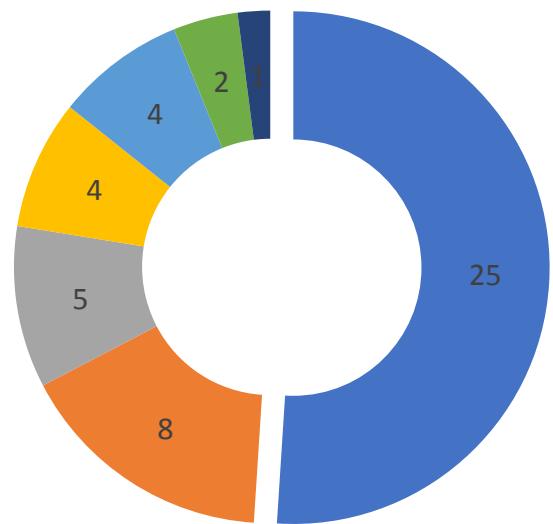
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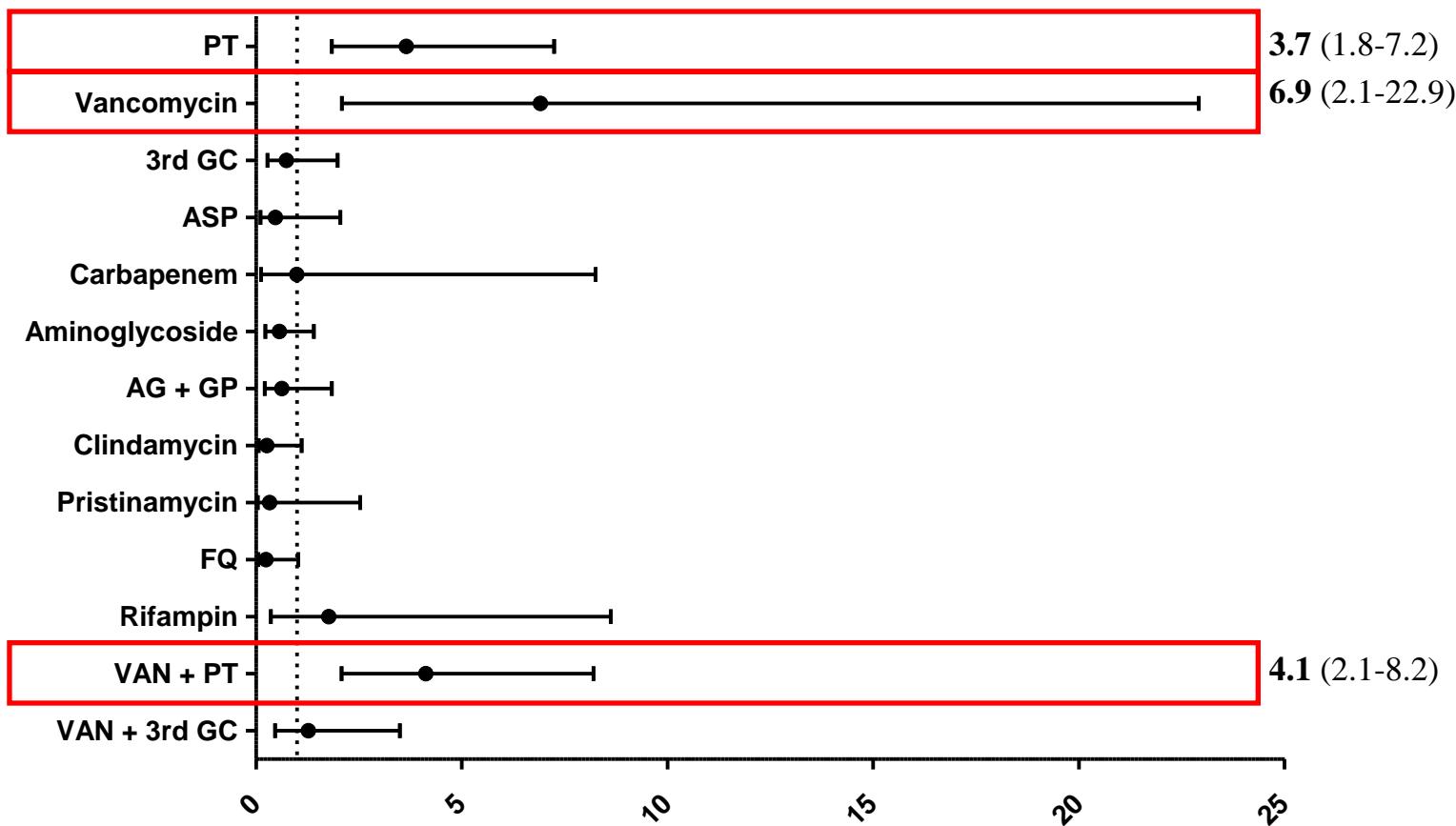
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- Skin and subcutaneus tissue disorders
- General disorders and administration site conditions
- Blood and lymphatic system disorders
- Immune system disorders
- Hepatobiliary disorders
- Gastrointestinal disorders

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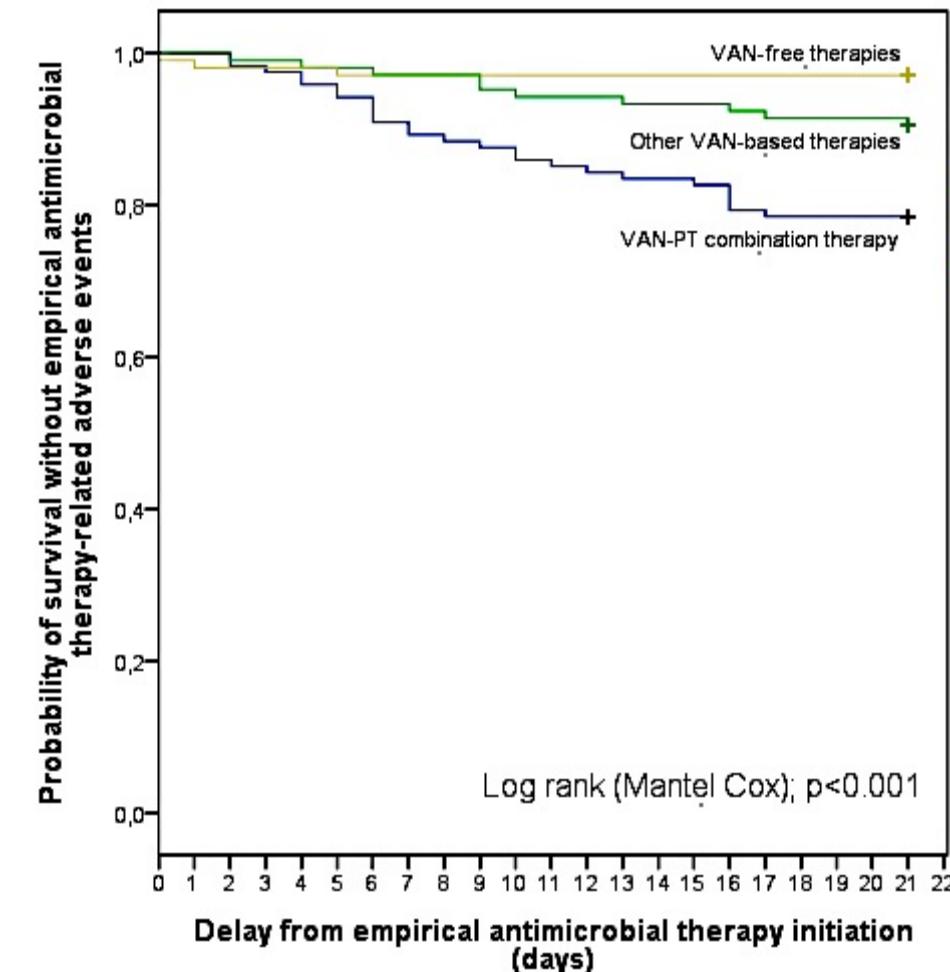
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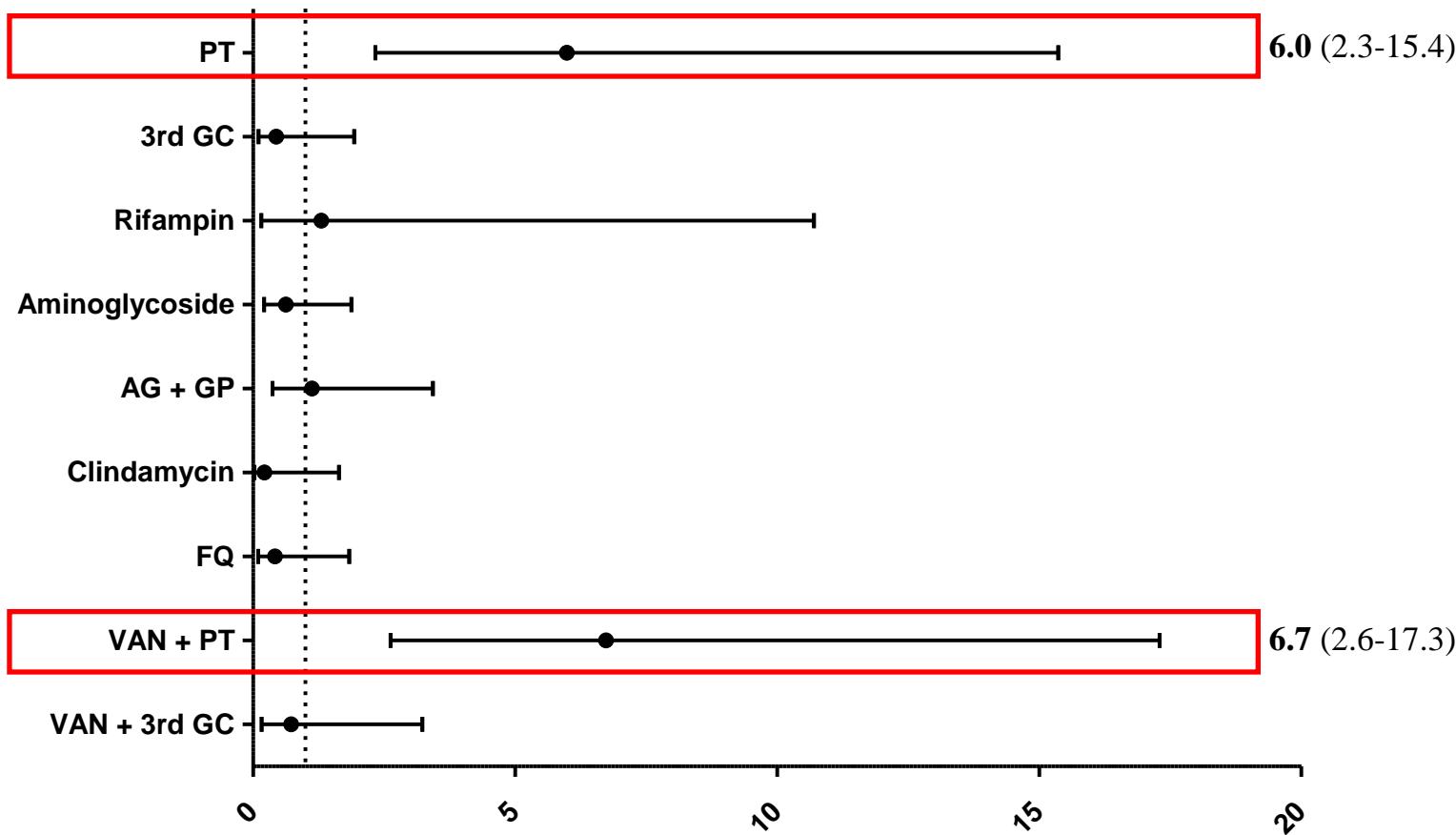
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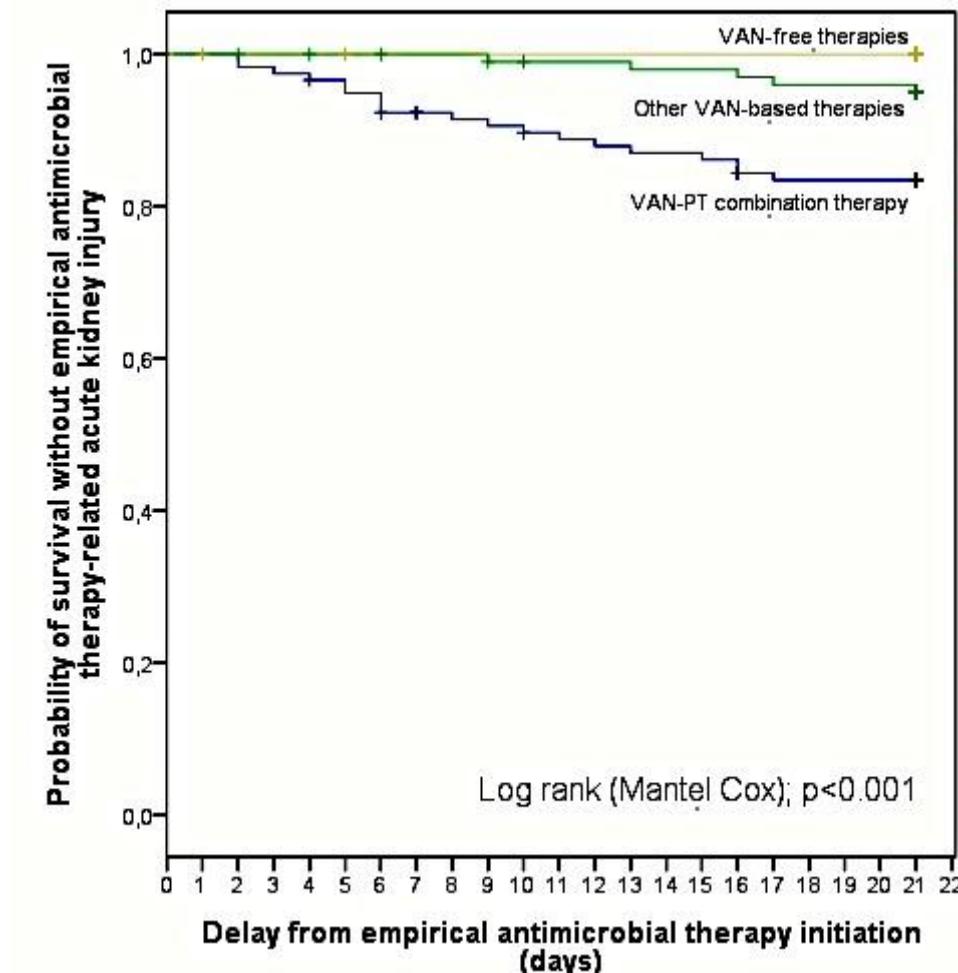
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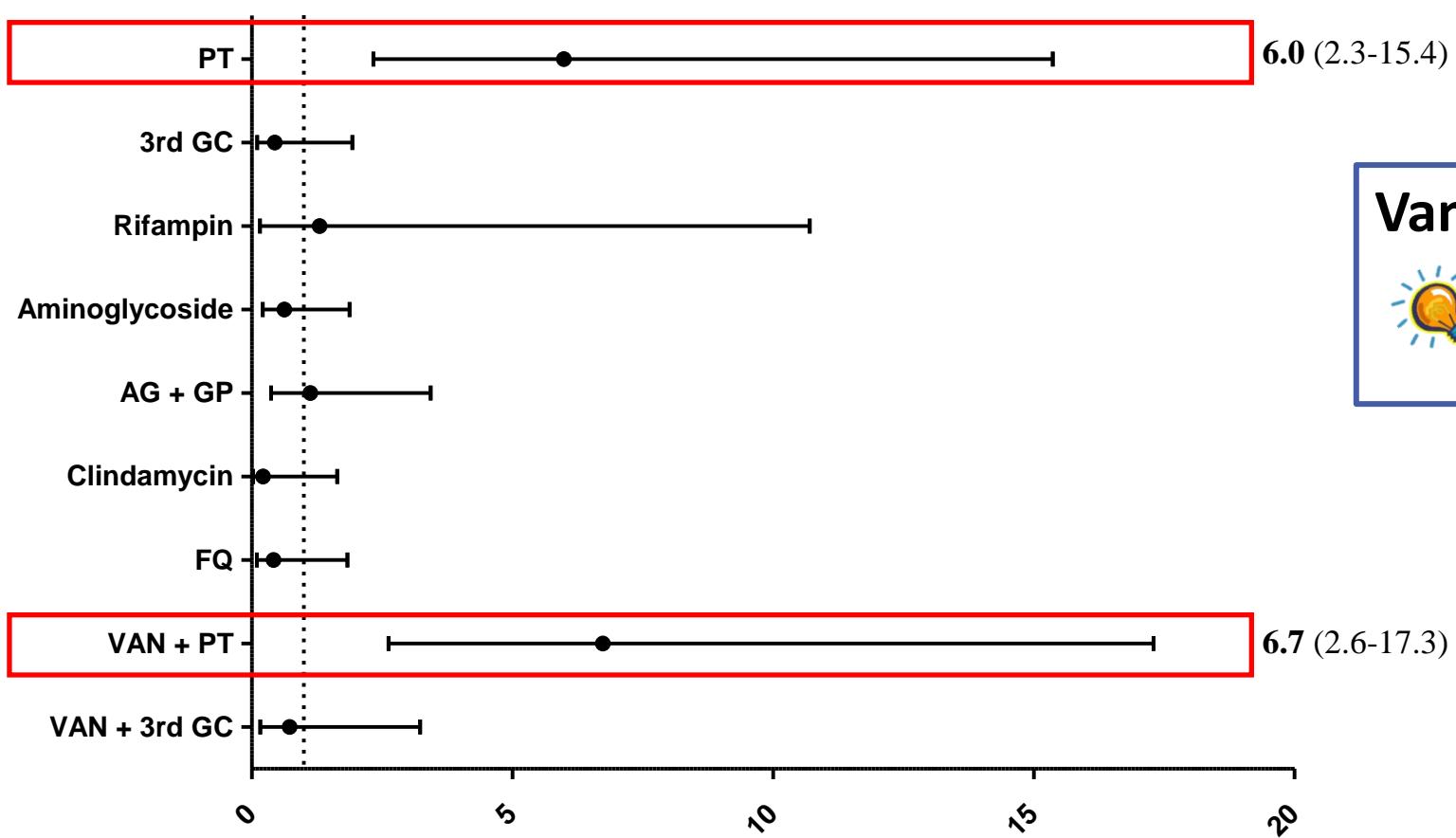
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## Vancomycin overdose



8 (33.3%) patients → AKI  
Not related to AKI occurrence

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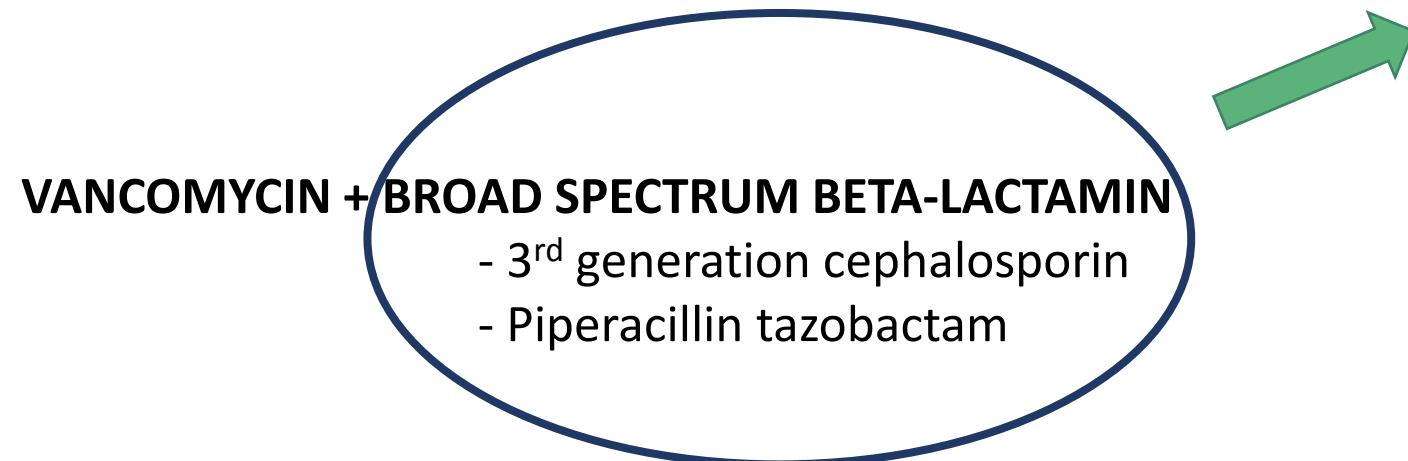
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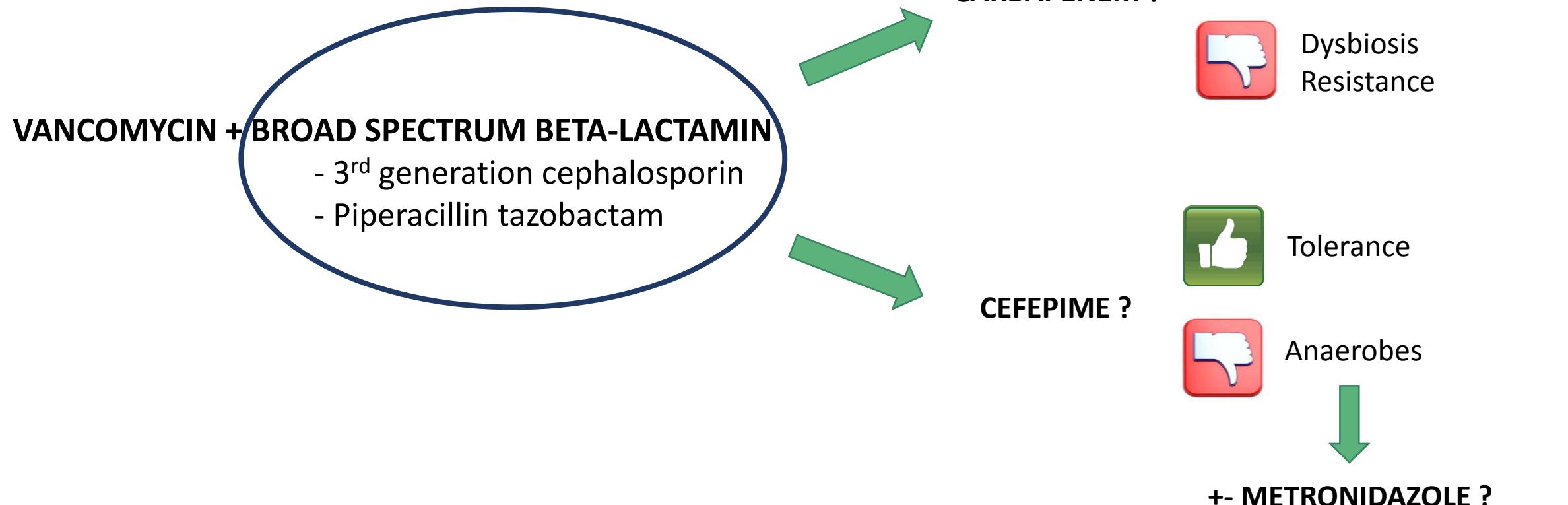
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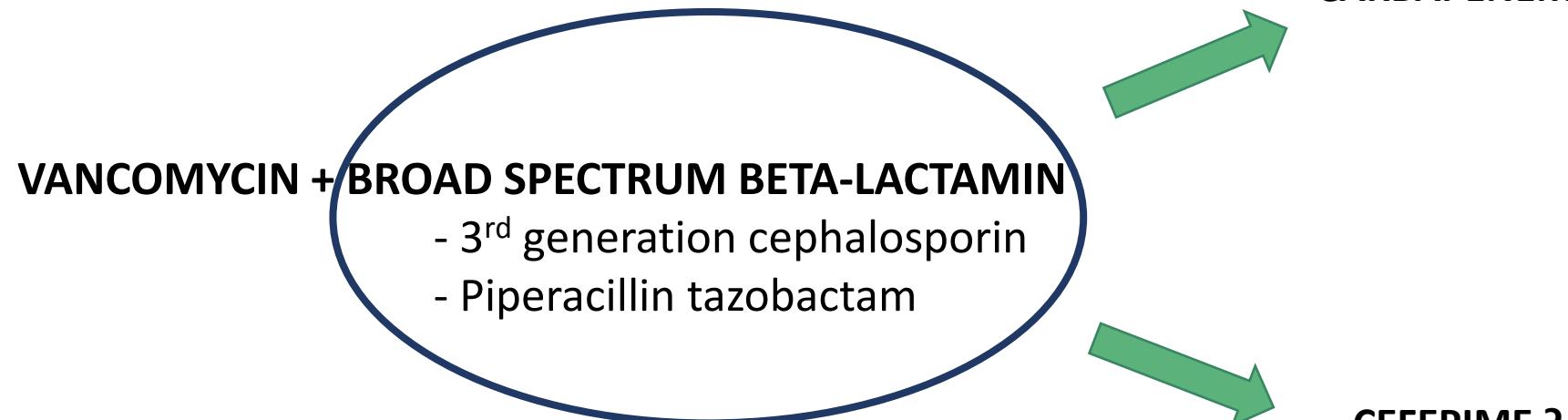
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	Very broad spectrum
	Dysbiosis Resistance
	Tolerance
	Anaerobes
	+ - METRONIDAZOLE ?

- Is this broad spectrum beta-lactam necessary everytime?
- Couldn't we « target » according to the time to occurrence of PJI?

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