



Clinical Challenges in Endocarditis—2nd Edition

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Infectious endocarditis (IE) is a fatal and debilitating disease, and has been a growing problem in the last decade. IE more frequently affects men of around 60 years of age, with staphylococcal and enterococcal IE being the most frequent. Oral streptococcal endocarditis is less frequent, and its incidence has not increased since the implementation of the 2009 and 2015 recommendations restricting indications for antibiotic prophylaxis. There has been considerable focus on new methods of early diagnosis, such as PET or CT scans, which are now used in several countries. The prognosis of IE is still unacceptably poor, and more aggressive management of this deadly disease remains necessary. For this Special Issue, we encourage the submission of studies that investigate clinical challenges involving IE.





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