



Epidemiology and Diagnosis of Invasive Fungal Infections

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Fungal infections are assuming higher relevance, and many factors have been contributing to the emergence of invasive fungal infections, including the HIV epidemic, the rise in the number of patients receiving a growing array of immunosuppressive therapies, and the increasing number of persons who have frequent nosocomial exposure and interventions.

The emergence of new fungal pathogens and the resurgence of mycotic diseases that had previously been uncommon constitute a serious and growing public health problem.

All these issues open the door to a new world of possibilities yet to be investigated. As result, clinicians and microbiologists need to be familiar with the epidemiology of fungal infections, as well as their clinical presentation, methods for diagnosis and current treatment choices.





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