

Special Issue

Uncommon *Candida* and Other Opportunistic Yeast-Like Fungi: Diagnosis and Treatment

Message from the Guest Editor

Dear colleagues. Despite therapeutic advances, invasive infections due to *Candida* spp. constitute the predominant group of hospital-based fungal infections worldwide. The present trend of *Candida* infections shows that a large proportion of bloodstream infections are due to *Candida* species other than *C. albicans*, particularly among hematological, transplant, and intensive care unit patients. Candidemia caused by other uncommon species is less well known, and data have been reported only in small case series. However, these uncommon fungal species have emerged as a new health threat to hospitalized patients and are endemic in some areas. Invasive infections due to rare yeast-like fungi such as *Trichosporon* and *Geotrichum* constitute emerging but poorly investigated conditions. Because most institutions have had limited experience with infections caused by uncommon *Candida* and other opportunistic yeast-like fungi, we encourage further studies on challenges in the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of the cases caused by these pathogens.

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