

The Future of Dengue Infection Management by Integrating Hematology EIPs for Better Outcomes

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Dengue Infection

 Still the most common mosquito-borne viral diseases of public health significance

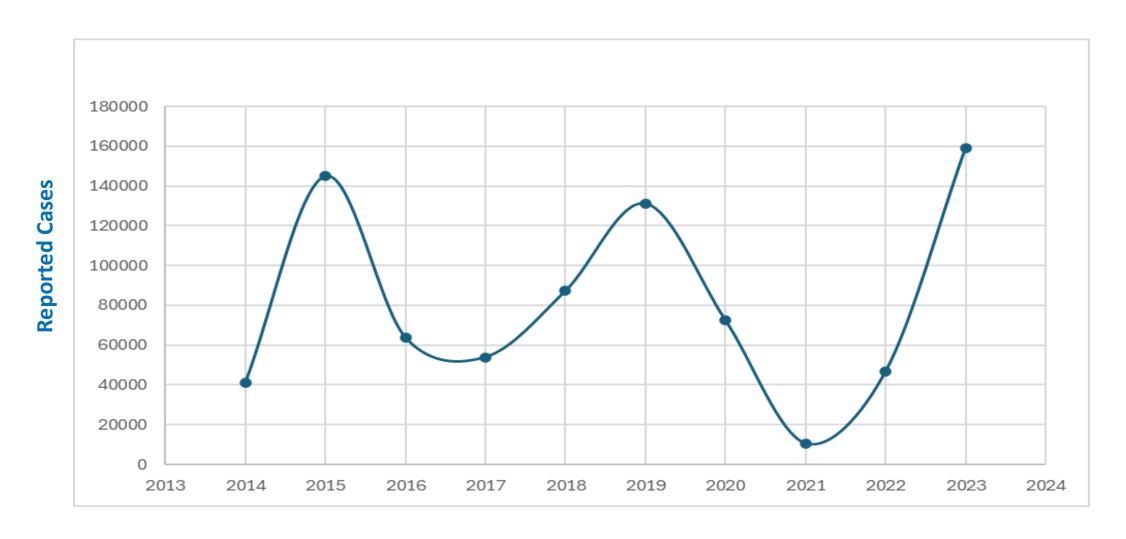


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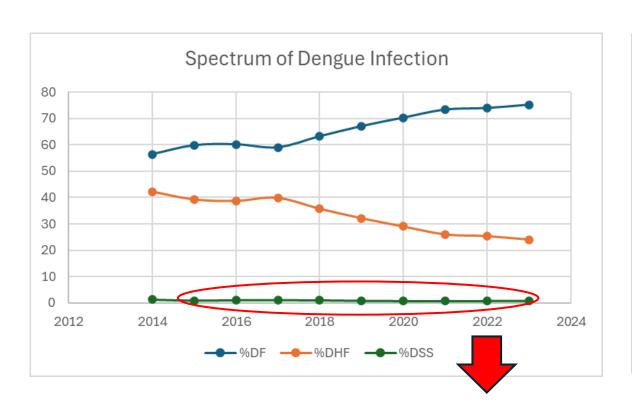
Five serotypes: Den 1-5 (Den 1-4 in human)
Mostly Den 1 and Den 2 in Thailand

Transmission Female *Aedes spp*.

Current Situation in Thailand

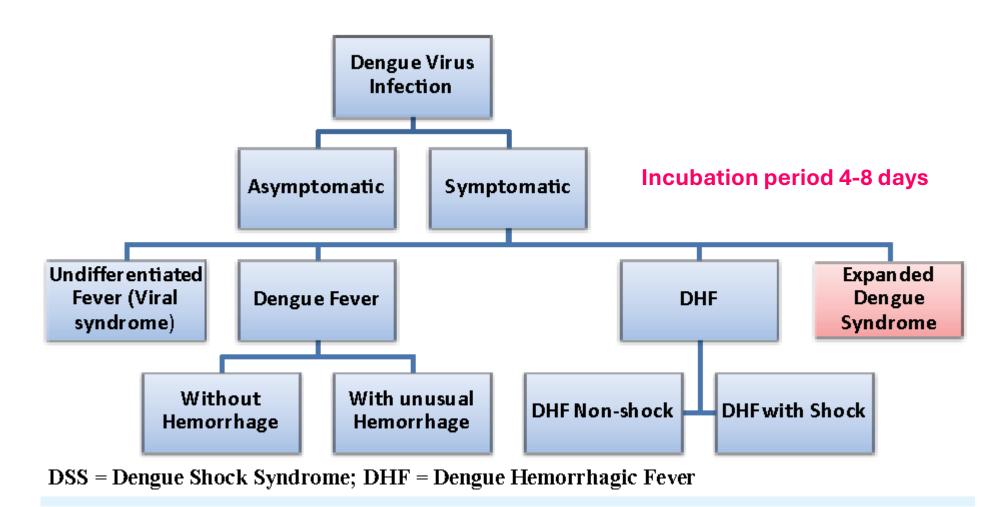


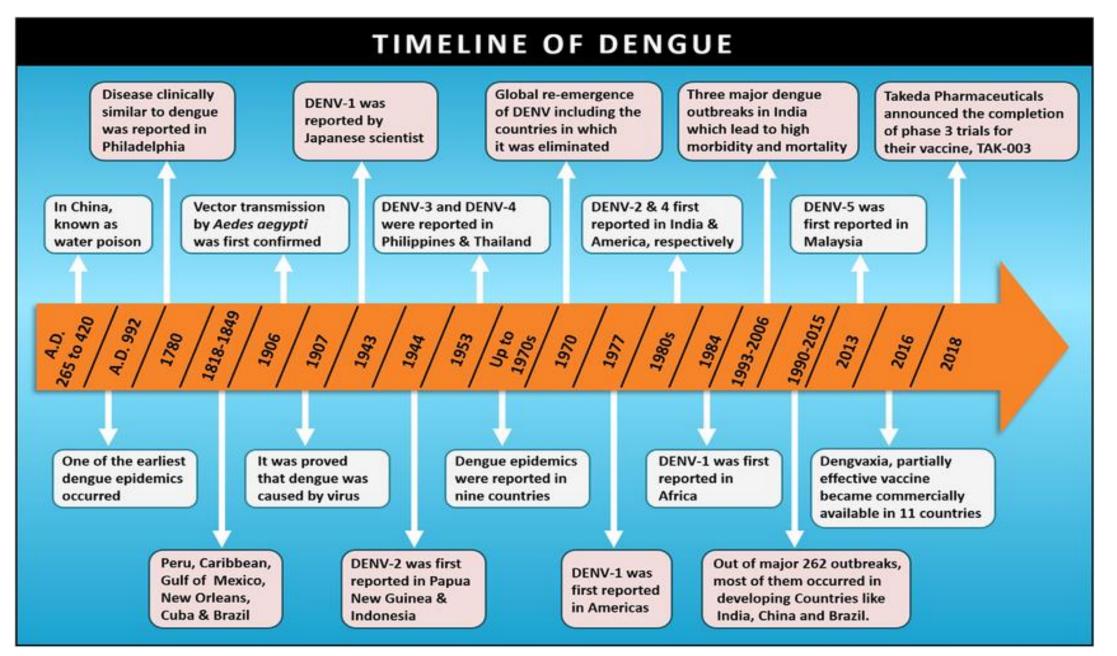
Current Situation in Thailand





Spectrum of Dengue Infection





Sharma N, et al. Infect Med. 2023;2:167

Tools for Fighting against Dengue

- Still no active anti-viral drugs
- Advancing in diagnostic tests
 - Early diagnosis
 - Early complication detection
- Evolving supportive care
- Mosquito control
- Vaccination

Factors Affecting Clinical Outcomes

Age

- Host immune response
 - Main pathogenesis
- Genetic factors

Viral serotypes

Dengue Infection/Hallmarks

Fragility of capillary vessels and coagulopathy

- Leakage of intravascular volume to interstitial space e.g. pleural cavity, peritoneal cavity
 - Leading to hypovolemic shock
- Bleeding
- Multiple organ failure

Clinical Course of Dengue Infection

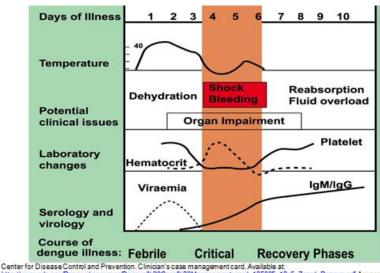
BLEEDING

High grade fever
Bone pain
Loss of appetite
Nausea/vomiting
Rash

Leakage of plasma Into interstitial space

Shock

Gain of appetite
Bradycardia
Convalescent rash
Diuresis



Center for DiseaseControl and Prevention. Clinician's case management card. Available at: http://www.cdc.gov/Dengue/resources/Dengue%20Case%20Management card. 125085. 12x6. Zoard. Dengue.pdf Accessed July. 2011.

Febrile stage 2-7 days

Critical stage 1-2 days Convalescent stage

LEAKAGE



DAY OF DEFERVESCENCE (Day 0)

Dengue Infection

- Any parameters to predict DHF that may lead to leakage
 - Dengue fever: not dangerous
 - Dengue hemorrhagic fever: able to progress to shock

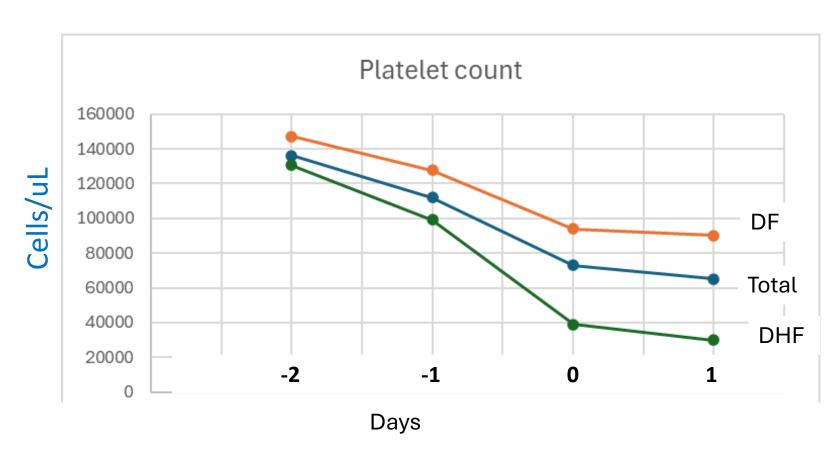
Close monitoring of patients who may develop DHF

Current routine monitoring: CBC

What's in CBC and Beyond?

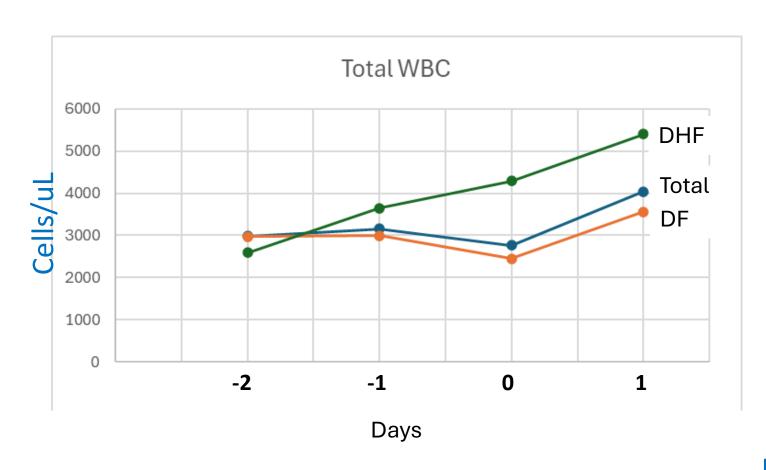
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- Easy and quick diagnostic tool for clinical decisionmaking and prompt treatment
- Useful in monitoring for further management

Platelet Count in Dengue



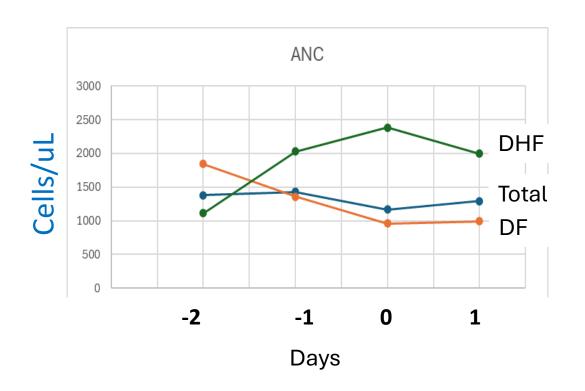
All cases of DHF: plt < 100,000/uL Some cases of DF: plt < 100,000/uL

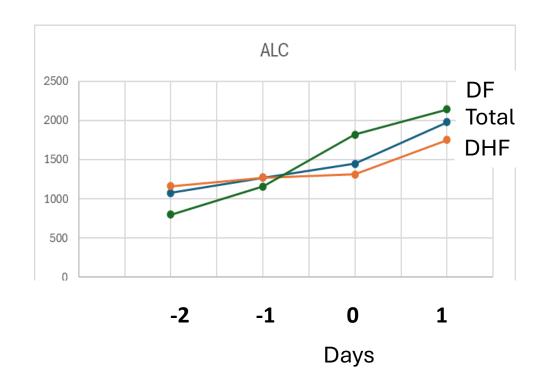
Total WBC in Dengue Patients



Day 0: Day of defervescence

Neutrophil/Lymphocyte in Dengue Patients





ANC: absolute neutrophil count ALC: absolute lymphocyte count

Laboratory tests to differentiate DHF and DF

Clinical Variables	DF	DHF	<i>p</i> -value 0.035	
Age (years)	10.0 [6.0,13.0] (81)	12.0 [8.0,13.5] (60)		
Maximal Hct rising (%)	8.8 [5.1,12.2] (81)	15.7 [9.9,23.0] (60)	< 0.001	
WBC ($x10^3$ cells/mm ³) at day 0				
Total WBC	3.5 [2.5,4.8] (75)	4.2 [2.7,6.6] (57)	0.062	
ANC	1.0 [0.7,1.5] (75)	1.7 [0.9,3.3] (57)	0.001	
ALC	1.8 [1.3,2.5] (75)	1.7 [1.1,2.4] (57)	0.185	
AMC	0.2 [0.2,0.3] (75)	0.3 [0.2,0.6] (57)	0.131	
Platelet count (x10 ³ cells/mm ³) at day 0	105.0 [62.0,141.0]	53.0 [32.0,87.0]	< 0.001	
Serum albumin (g/dL) at day 0	3.8 [3.6,4.0] (40)	3.3 [3.0,3.5] (50)	< 0.001	

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Laboratory tests to differentiate DHF and DF

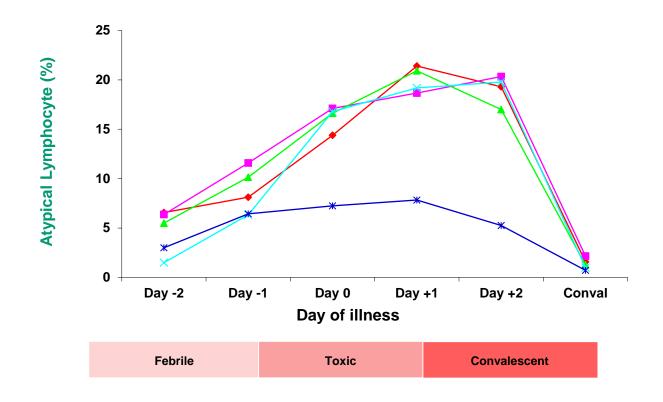
- DHF vs DF
 - Increased AST
 - Increased IL-8
 - Decreased serum albumin
 - Increased CRP
- Severe dengue vs non-severe dengue
 - Increased vascular adhesion protein-1
 - Increased syndecan-1
 - Increased CRP
 - Increased AST

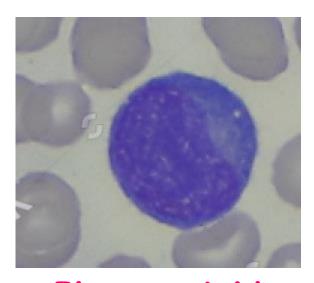
Laboratory tests to differentiate DHF and DF

Predictors of DSS

- Hct rising > 25%
- Platelet count < 40,000/uL
- APTT > 44 sec
- PT > 14 sec
- TT > 16 sec
- VWF Ag > 210%

Atypical Lymphocytes

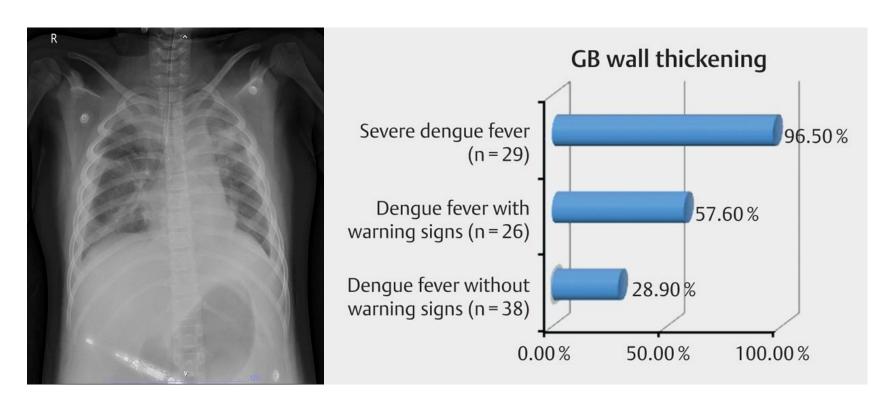




Plasmacytoid

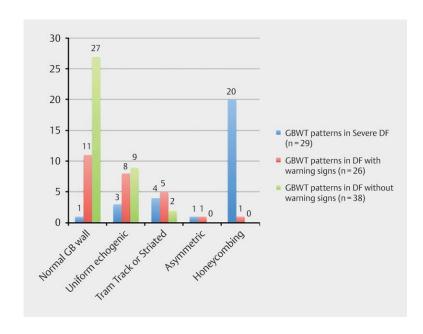
Abundant in the convalescent phase

Role of Imaging



Right pleural effusion

Role of Ultrasound of Gall Bladder



Parmar JP et al. Ultrasound Int Open 2017; 3: E76–E81

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Gallbladder Wall Thickening for Early Detection of Plasma Leakage in Dengue Infected Adult Patients

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SS=65%, SP=70%

ORIGINAL STUDIES

Natural History of Plasma Leakage in Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever

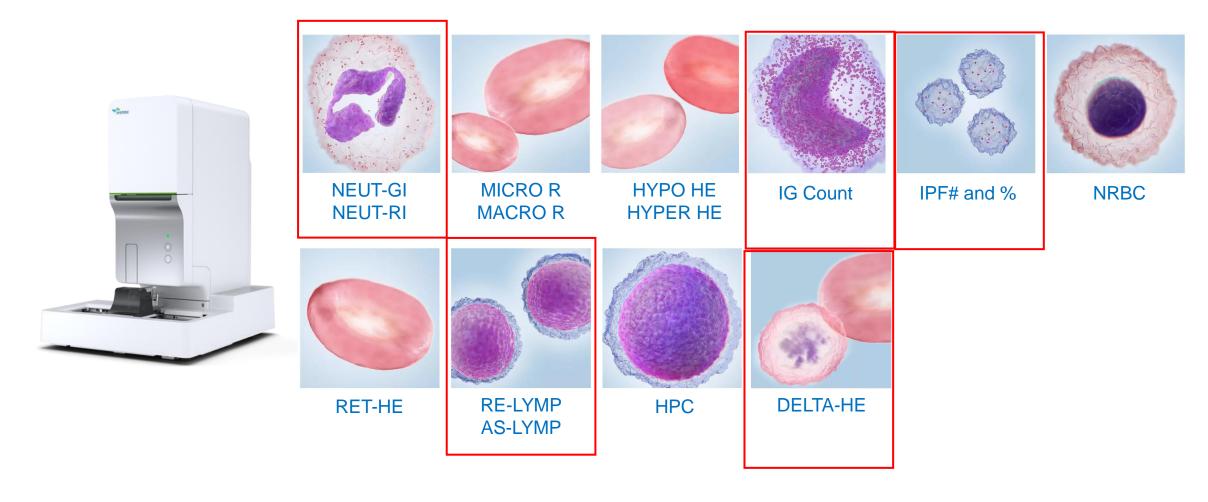
A Serial Ultrasonographic Study

12/17 DHF cases without hemoconcentration be diagnosed

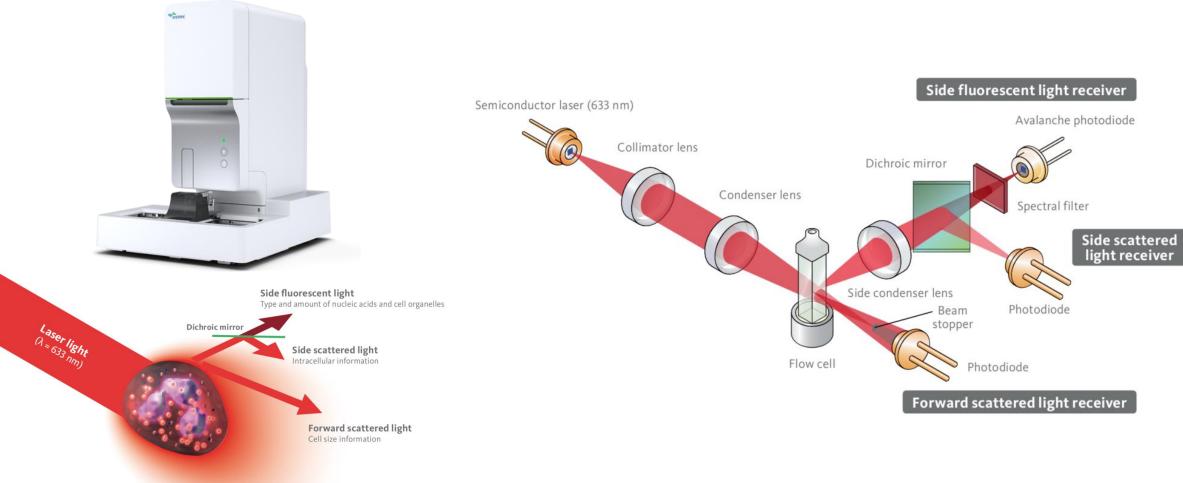
What's in CBC and Beyond?

- Providing information about the cellular components of blood, including red blood cells, white blood cells, and platelets
 - Having additional parameters very helpful
- Easy and quick diagnostic tool for clinical decision making and prompt treatment
- Useful in monitoring for further management

Extended Inflammation Parameters (EIPs)



Advanced Clinical Hematology Parameters



This is a conceptual drawing.

Advanced Clinical Hematology Parameters

- NRBC Fluorescent Nucleated Red Blood Cell count
- PLT-O Fluorescent optical platelet count and traditional impedance PLT counting
- Retic Fluorescent reticulocyte count
- RET-He* Reticulocyte Hemoglobin Content (incorporation of iron into red cell)
- IPF* Immature platelet fraction (measurement of reticulated platelets)
- HPC* Quantitative hematopoietic progenitor cell count as a screen for the presence of hematopoietic progenitor cells in peripheral blood and cord blood samples

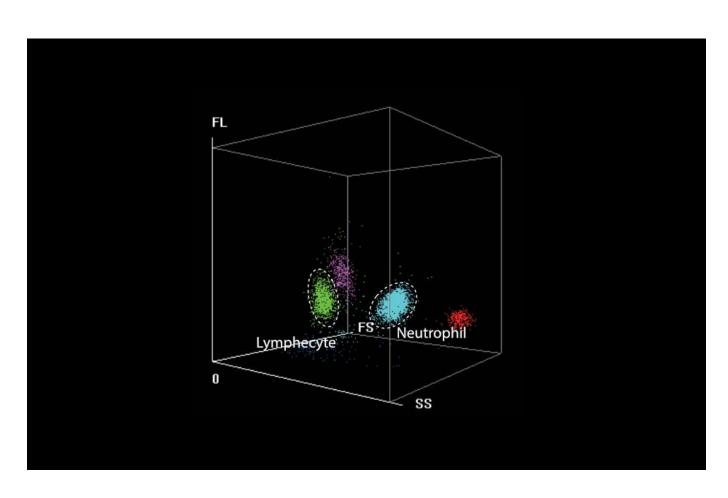
White Blood Cell Population Data

Detailed granularity/size/activity of WBC's

Permeation of cell membrane with maintenance of cell integrity

 Staining intracellular structure with special dye (polymethine); activity of cells

Scattergram form Analyzer/3 Dimension



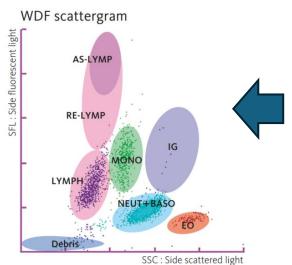
X-axis: SSC, cell complexity/granularity

Y-axis: SFL, cell metabolic activity

Z-axis: FSC, cell size

Advanced Clinical Hematology Parameters





		Н	emolys	sis	Staining		Side fluorescent light (SFL)	Side scattered light (SSC)		
	Lymphocytes		>		>		Medium	Weak		
	Monocytes		>		>	Q	Medium	Weak		
	Neutrophils		•		•	C	Weak	Medium		
	Eosinophils		>		•	C. J	Weak	Strong		
	Atypical Lymphocytes (AS-LYMP, RE-LYMP)		>		>		AS-LYMP: Strong RE-LYMP: Medium - Strong	Weak		
	Immature granulocytes		>		>		Medium- Strong	Medium		
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Neutrophils

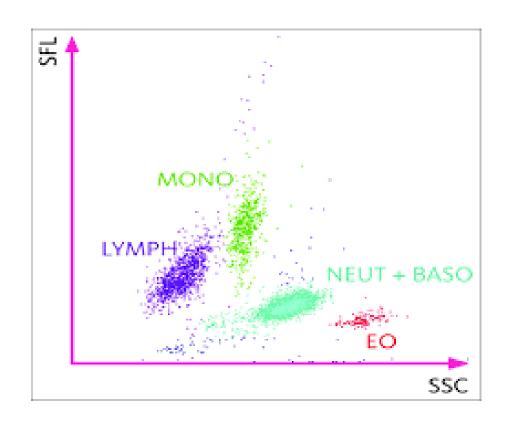
- Neutrophil granularity (x-axis on the scattergram)
 - complexity of neutrophils; nucleus lobularity, granulations
- Neutrophil reactivity (y-axis on the scattergram)
 - expressed in fluorescence intensity, related to the activation or immaturity of the population
- Neutrophil size (z-axis on the scattergram)
 - size of the cells

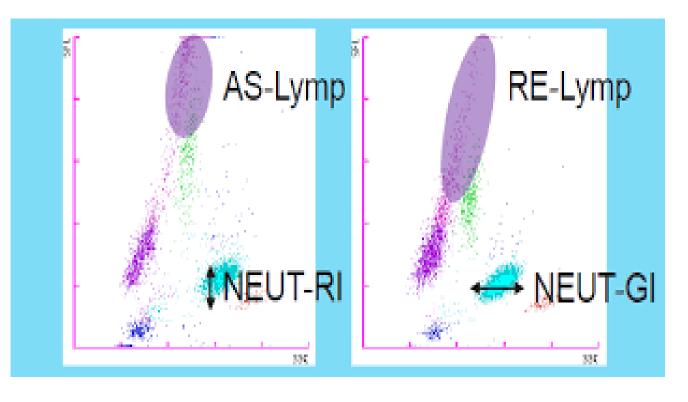
Neutrophils

- Immature granulocytes (IG)
 - Response to infection or stress reflecting active bone marrow response
 - Represented as %IG or total number of IG

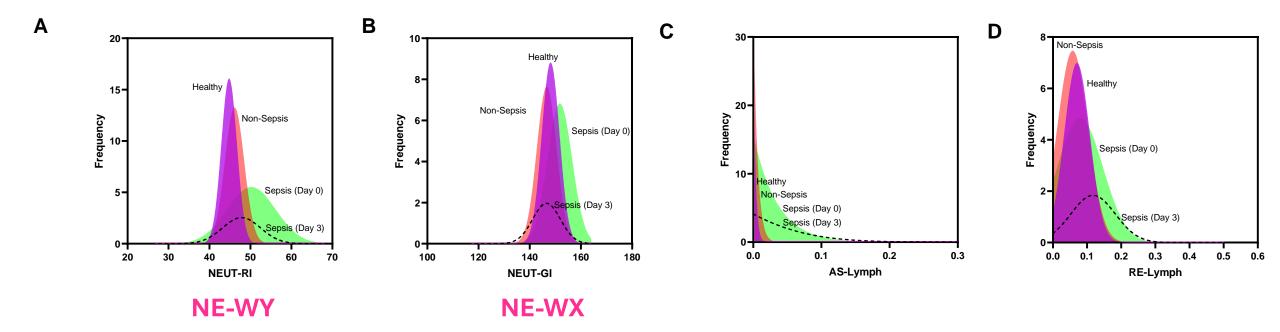
- Dispersion width
 - Representing dispersion of neutrophil distribution
 - ➤ Cell heterogeneity

Scattergram from Analyzer





Dispersion/Heterogeneity of Cell Activity



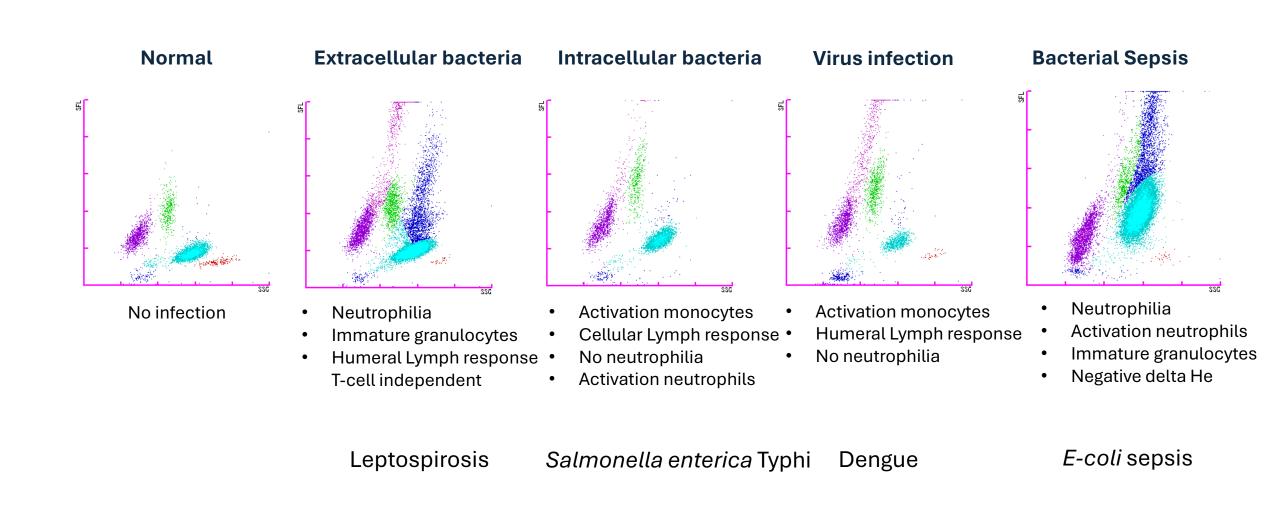
 Septic cases exhibit wider dispersion in cell activity results: more heterogeneity

Lymphocytes

- Reactive lymphocytes
 - immune-stimulated lymphocytes with upregulated synthesis of inflammatory mediators, and/or immunoglobulins (antibodies), or both

- Antibody-secreting lymphocytes
 - antibody-secreting cells (plasma cells)

Infection Patterns



Reticulocyte

- Ret-hemoglobin
 - Hemoglobin content of reticulocytes
 - Detection of iron status changes (more rapid than in mature red blood cells)
 - Detection of iron-deficient erythropoiesis and are useful markers of iron deficiency

Reticulocyte Hemoglobin Level

- Delta-Ret : difference between Hb level in reticulocyte and in mature red blood cells
 - a marker of an impaired hemoglobinization of newly formed reticulocytes occurring during inflammatory processes
 - representing impaired iron uptake in reticulocyte during inflammatory process

Prospective Cohort of Dengue Infection

Pediatric patients aged < 18 years old

Admitted at the pediatric wards

CBC followed up daily with EIPs until convalescence

Defining Day 0 as the day of defervescencd

Prospective Cohort of Dengue Infection

- Dengue infection
 - Positive NS1
 - Positive IgM with clinically compatible

- Two groups of patients
 - Dengue fever
 - Dengue hemorrhagic fever: Dengue fever with leakage

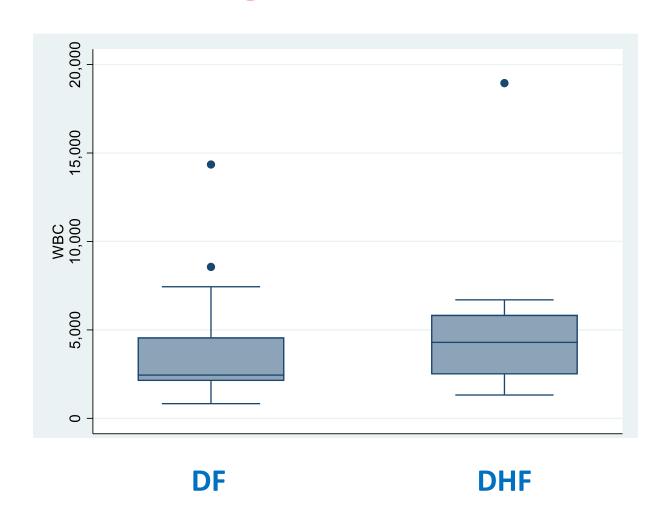
Demographic Data

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Total Patients	53
Sex Male Female	24 29
Age (years)	9.76 + 4.44
Diagnosis DF DHF grade I DHF grade II DHF grade III	31 7 7 6
DHF grade IV	2

DF: dengue fever

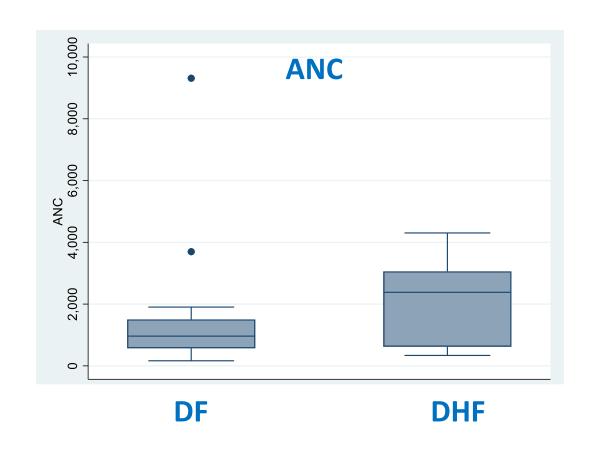
DHF: dengue hemorrhagic fever

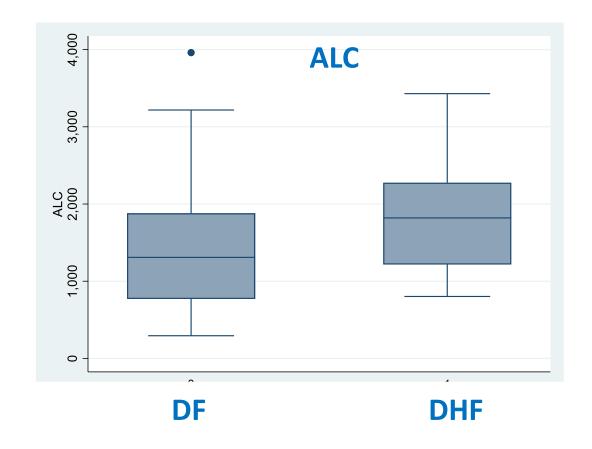
Hematological parameters in Dengue

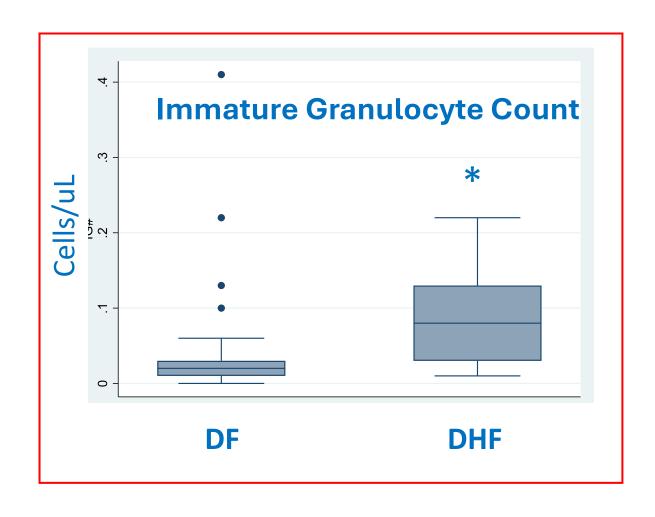


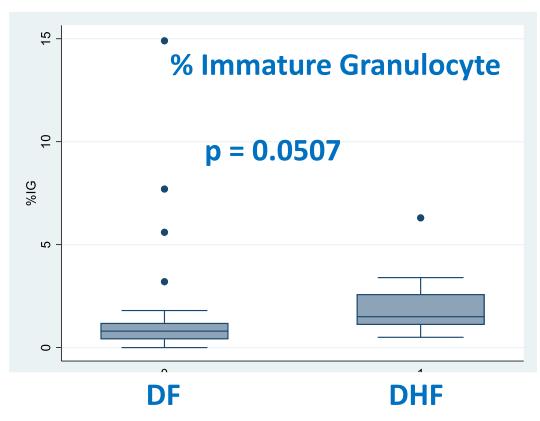
WBC at day 0
Defervescent day

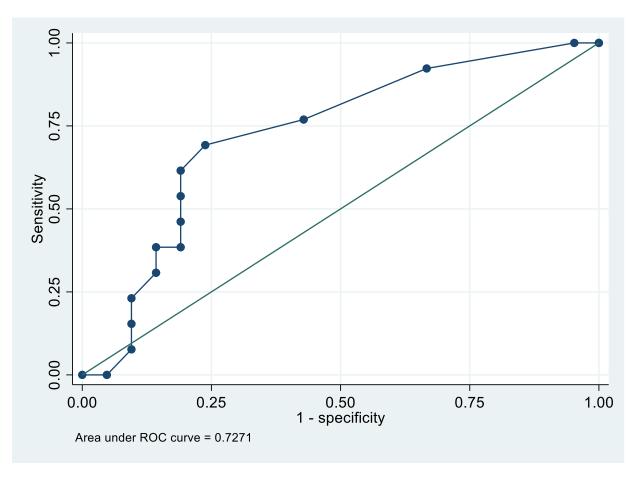
Hematological Parameters









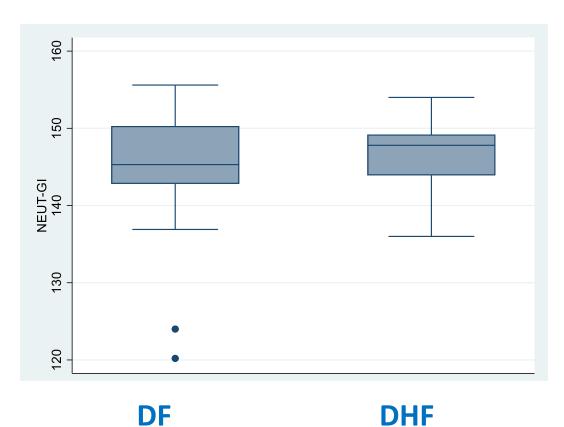


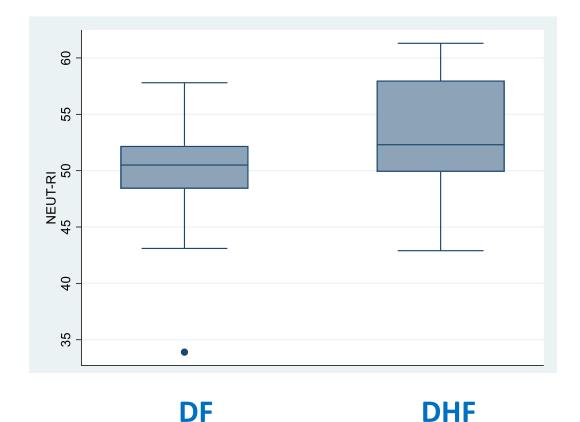
Immature Granulocyte Count > 0.06 cells/uL

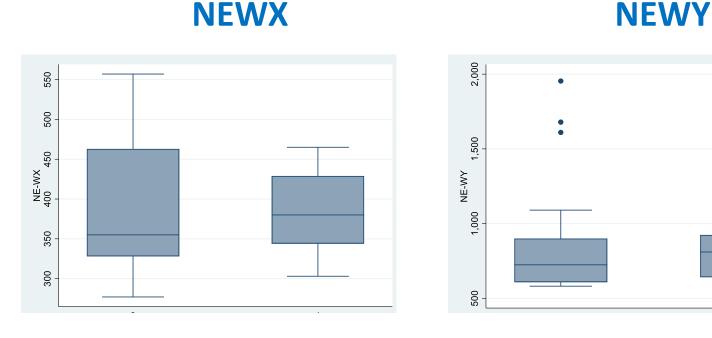
Sensitivity 70% Specificity 75%

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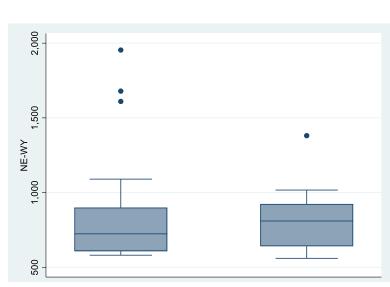
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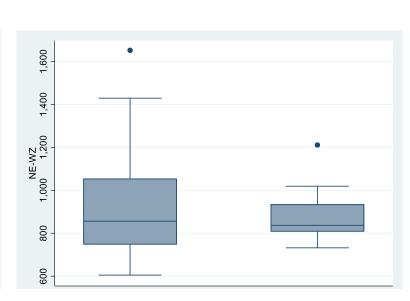






DHF





NEWZ

Heterogeneity of granularity

DF

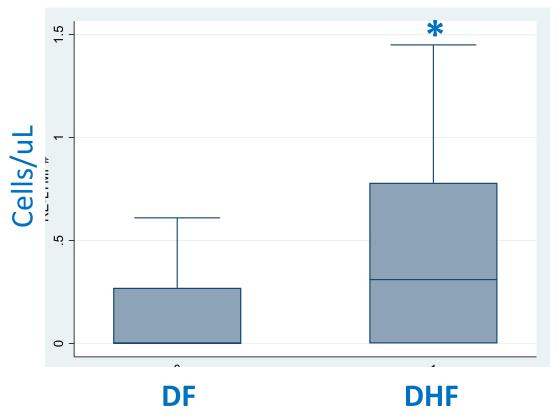
Heterogeneity of fluorescence (Metabolic activity)

DHF

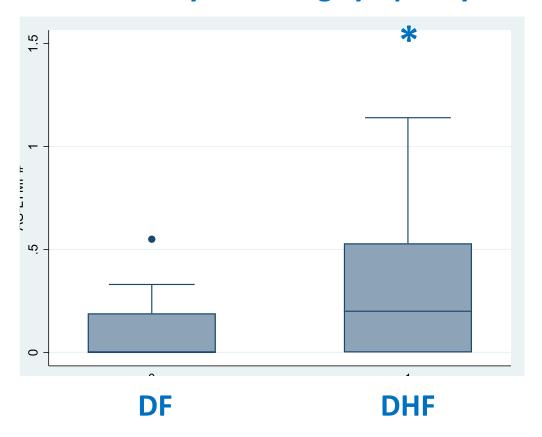
DF

DF **DHF** Heterogeneity of cell size

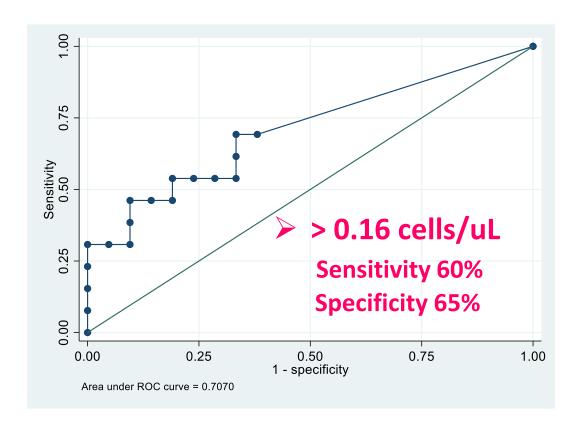
Reactive Lymphocyte



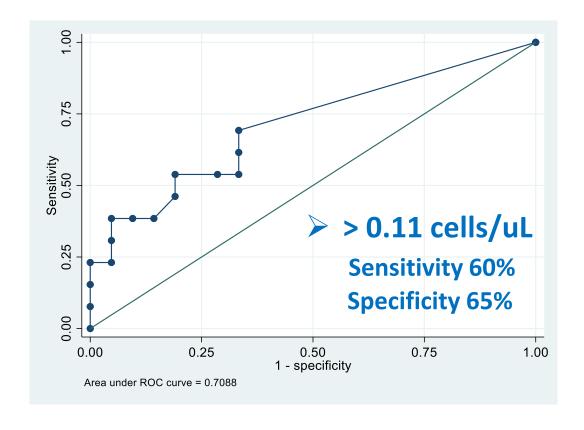
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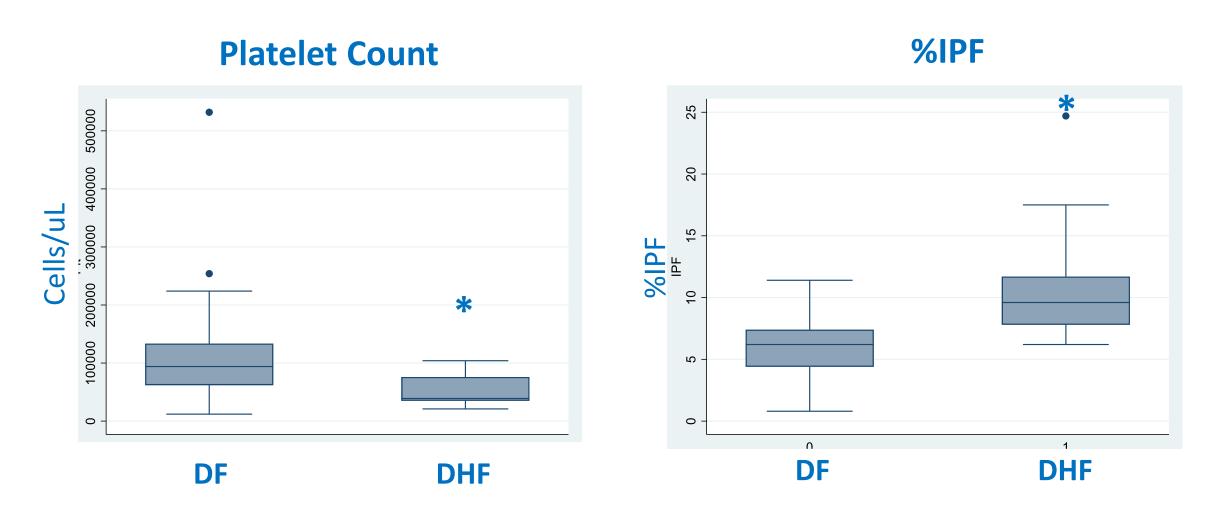


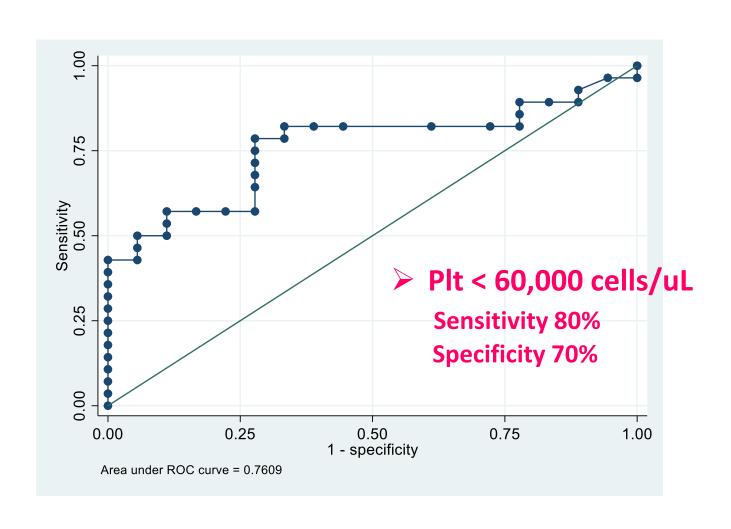
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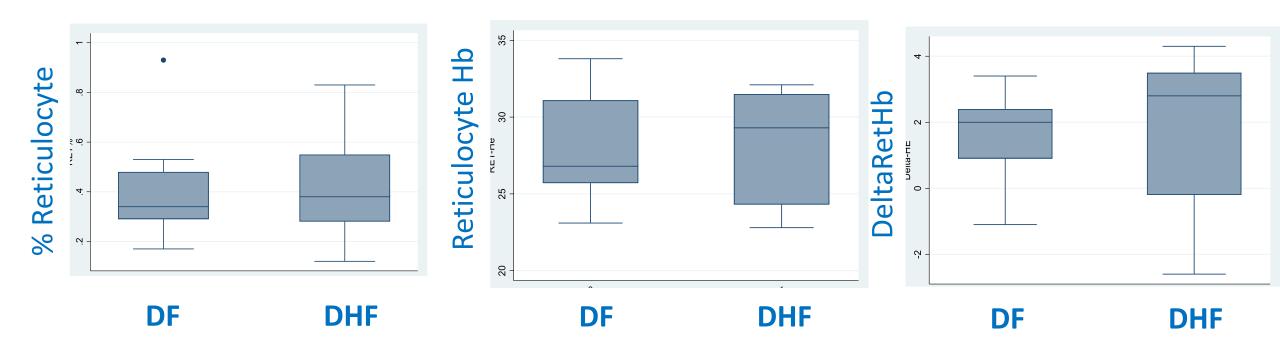


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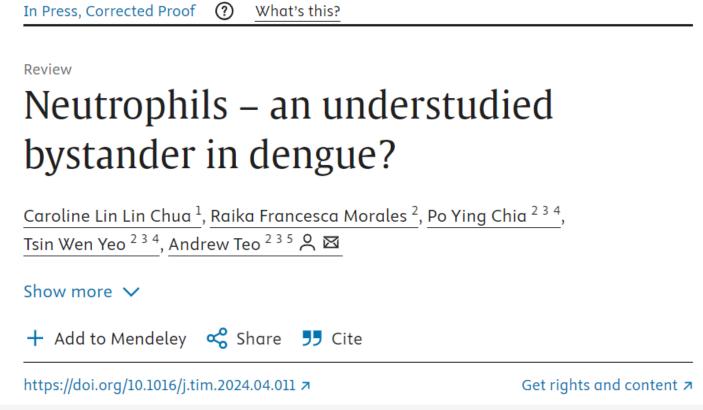




Cellular Response During Critical Phase

- More lymphocyte reactivity
- More Immature granulocyte count
- Contributing to more pathogenicity?
- Lower platelet count but increased Immature platelet
- ➤ Reflecting increased consumption with increased bone marrow activity

Cellular Response During Critical Phase



Neutrophils existing in various phenotypes and functional statuses playing a role either in viral clearance or immunopathology

Immature Platelet Fraction in Dengue

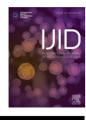
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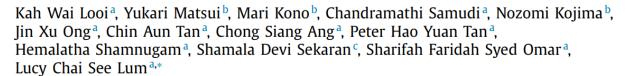
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Severe Dengue



Evaluation of immature platelet fraction as a marker of dengue fever progression





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Significant increase in IPF at day 3-5 of fever

Severe Dengue associated with more platelet consumption

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EIPs to Differentiate Common Febrile Illness



RESEARCH ARTICLE

A novel diagnostic algorithm equipped on an automated hematology analyzer to differentiate between common causes of febrile illness in Southeast Asia

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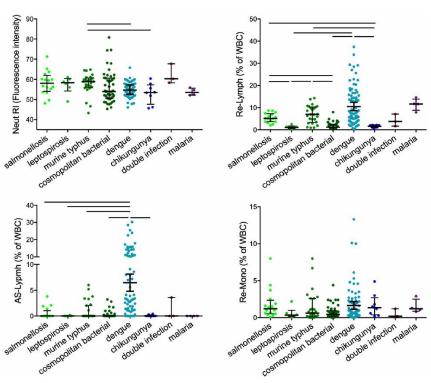


Fig 2. The number or percentage of activated neutrophils (Neut-RI), lymphocytes (Re-Lymph and AS-Lymph), and monocytes (Re-Mono) in patients with a proven infection. The lines indicate median with interquartile ranges. Differences were analyzed using Kruskal Wallis test with post-hoc tests. The lines indicate a statistically significant difference (*P*<0.05) considering correction of the *P* value for multiple testing (Benjamini-Hochberg). WBC, white blood cells.

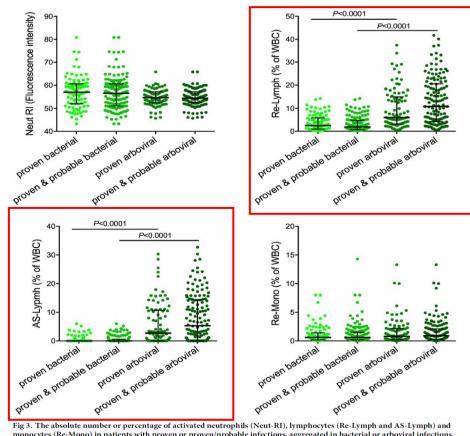


Fig 3. The absolute number or percentage of activated neutrophils (Neut-RI), lymphocytes (Re-Lymph and AS-Lymph) and monocytes (Re-Mono) in patients with proven or proven/probable infections, aggregated in bacterial or arboviral infections. The lines indicate median with interquartile ranges. Differences were analyzed using Kruskal Wallis test with post-hoc tests. WBC, white blood cells.

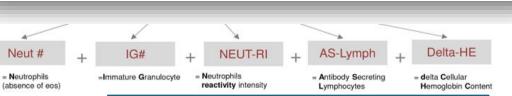
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processes in intensive care
and medicosurgical patients

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Sysmex Reportable Parameters

Table 3. Receiver operating characteristic curve analysis to determine the best cut-off value for each of four variables, to discriminate between an intensive care unit (ICU) patient group (n = 175) with or without infection within the first 5 days of ICU stay. Sensitivity and specificity from calculated best cut-off values are also shown for each variable.

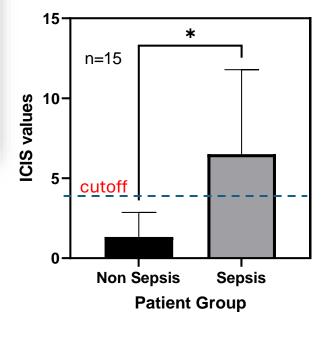
Parameter	Variable			
	CRP	PCT	WBC	ICIS
AUC	0.715	0.689	0.613	0.785
Best cut-off value	>4.8 mg/l	$> 0.17 \mu g/l$	> I3.2 cells/nl	>3
Sensitivity	79.31 (73.56, 85.06)	71.02 (60.63, 81.42)	26.12 (16.61, 35.64)	70.20 (61.03, 79.38)
Statistical significance	NS	NS	P < 0.001	-
Specificity	49.78 (42.57, 56.99)	59.65 (51.50, 67.80)	96.25 (93.77, 98.73)	78.68 (73.71, 83.65)
Statistical significance	NS	P < 0.001	P < 0.001	

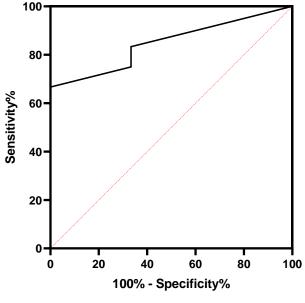
Sensitivity and specificity data presented as % (95% confidence interval). Statistically significant differences in sensitivity or specificity between ICIS and other variables (P < 0.05; ratio estimator).

Statistically significant differences in sensitivity or specificity between ICIS and other variables (P < 0.05; ratio estimator). AUC, area under the curve; CRP, C-reactive protein; ICIS, Intensive Care Infection Score; PCT, procalcitonin; WBC, white blood cell count.

Strongly associates to Septic cases

Preliminary Data from Chulalongkorn University





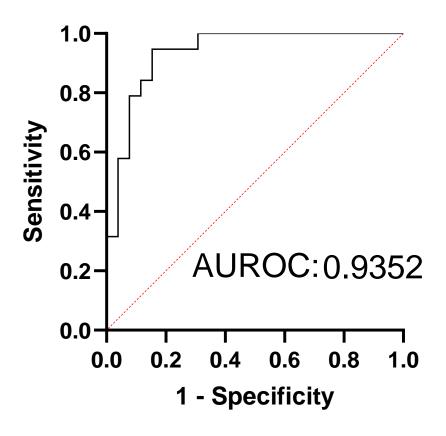
Area under the ROC curve	
Area	0.847
Std. Error	0.105
95% confidence interval	0.642 to 1.00
P value	0.0712

Possible Modeling for DHF Prediction

- At the day of defervescent
 - Immature granulocyte count
 - Reactive lymphocyte count
 - Antibody secreting lymphocyte count
 - Platelet count/IPF

Dengue Fever (DF) vs. Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)

A Cross-Sectional Approach Using CBC Parameters



- **CBC Parameters**: PLT, AS-Lymph, RE-Lymph, IG, IPF
- Cross-sectional view of patient severity from dengue fever to hemorrhagic fever
- A multi-parameter approach enhances clinical decisionmaking

Accuracy of Model

Classification table	Predicted 0	Predicted 1	Total
Observed DF	<mark>22</mark>	4	26
Observed DHF	2	<mark>17</mark>	19
Total	24	21	45

% Correctly classified 84.62 89.47 86.67

Negative predictive power (%) 91.67

Positive predictive power (%) 80.95

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