



## INTRODUCTION

- Earlier detection of organisms from blood cultures and appropriate antimicrobial therapy (AMT) is paramount to improved patient outcomes.
- Conventional methods for organism identification from blood cultures can take 2-5 days or longer.<sup>1</sup>
- Failure to initiate appropriate AMT <48 hours after initial blood culture collection is associated with increased mortality.<sup>2,3</sup>
- In patients with *Enterococcus* spp. bacteremia, a 22.6% increase in mortality was observed in those who were not initiated on appropriate AMT within 48 hours after sample collection.<sup>2</sup>
- Inappropriate empiric AMT in patients with BSIs caused by multi-drug resistant organisms (MDROs) is an independent risk factor for higher mortality and adverse outcomes.
- Patients with bacteremia due to extended-spectrum beta-lactamase-producing (ESBL) *Enterobacteriaceae* suffer longer delays in initiation of appropriate AMT, resulting in 3.5 times higher mortality compared to those without ESBL bacteremia.<sup>3</sup>
- Laboratory testing methods to shorten the time from blood culture collection to pathogen identification currently exist but are continually evolving to allow rapid and accurate detection of a larger group of pathogens.<sup>1</sup>
- The Blood Culture Identification Panel 2 (BCID2) is a polymerase-chain reaction test which can identify 43 different organisms and resistance genes within 1.5 hours of culture positivity.<sup>4</sup>
- The goal of this study is to determine the impact of BCID2 panel implementation at OSUMC.

## OBJECTIVES

Primary Outcomes	Secondary Outcomes
Time to:	Clinical outcomes
• Pathogen ID	Microbiologic cure
• Effective therapy	30-day data:
• Optimal therapy	• All-cause mortality
Intervention analysis:	• Bacteremia readmission
• Type and Acceptance %	Length of stay (LOS) (hospital/ICU)

## METHODS

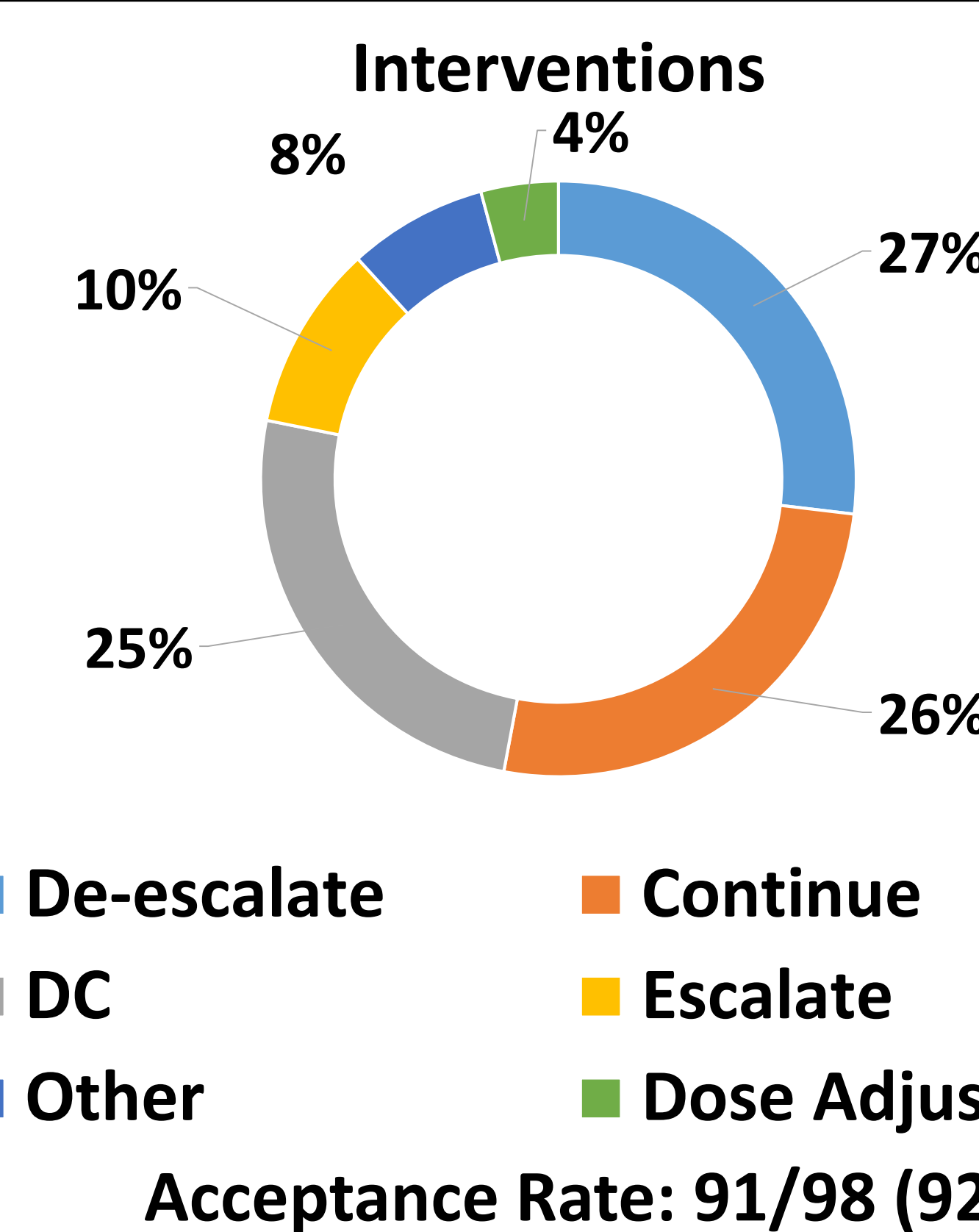
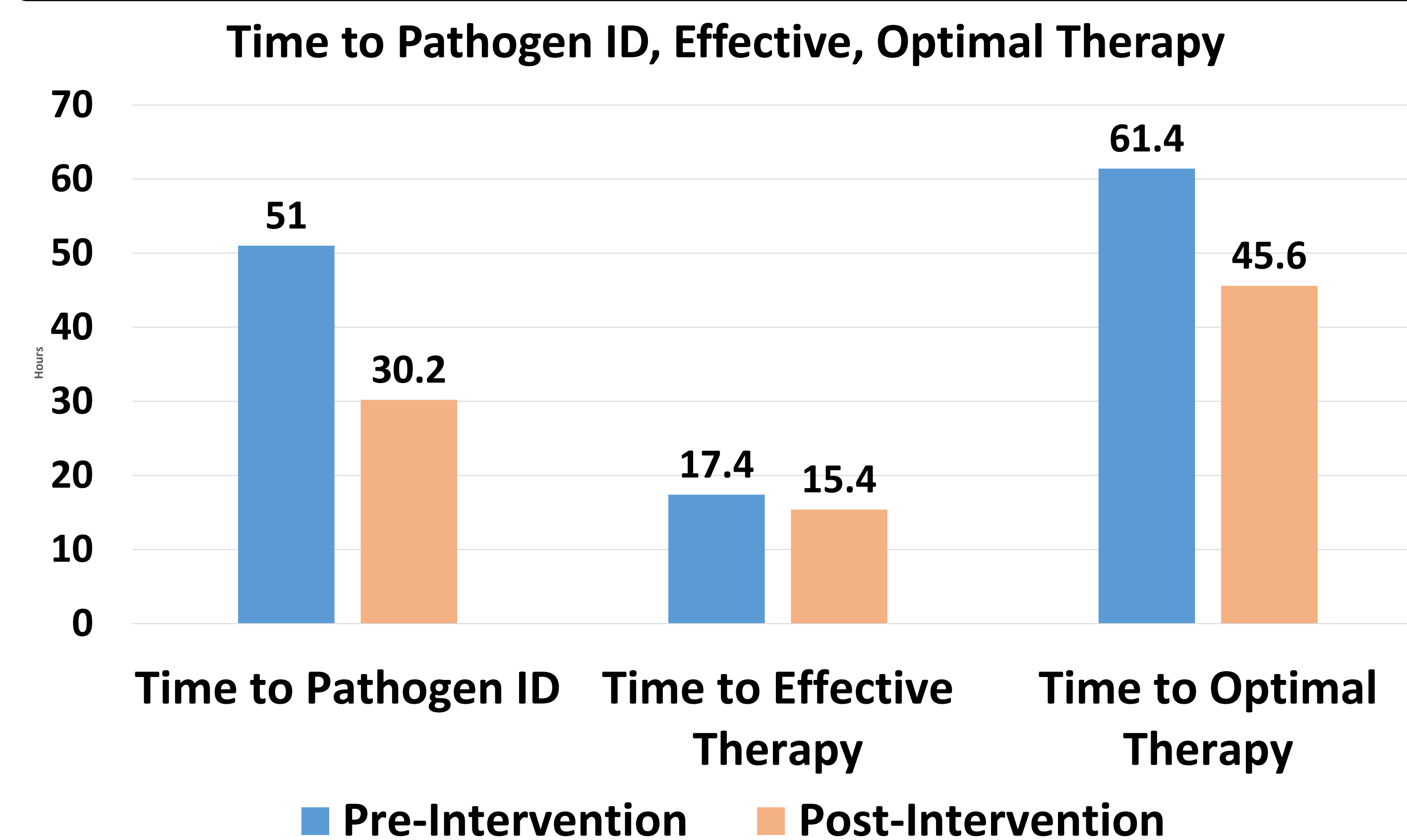
- Approved by IRB as Quality Improvement Project
- Baseline characteristics: age, weight, gender, eGFR, comorbid conditions, risk factors for bacteremia, source of bacteremia, and sepsis criteria
- Quasi-experimental study of data over two 6-month periods with active interventions from the Stewardship Team in the post-intervention period
- Statistical analysis will be performed following complete data collection period

INCLUSION CRITERIA	EXCLUSION CRITERIA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Age ≥18 years old</li> <li>• ≥ 1 positive blood culture with an organism included on the BCID2 panel</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Positive blood cultures:</li> <li>• At outlying facility</li> <li>• Organism not included on the panel</li> <li>• Patient died within 24 hours of enrollment or status changed to CMO</li> </ul>

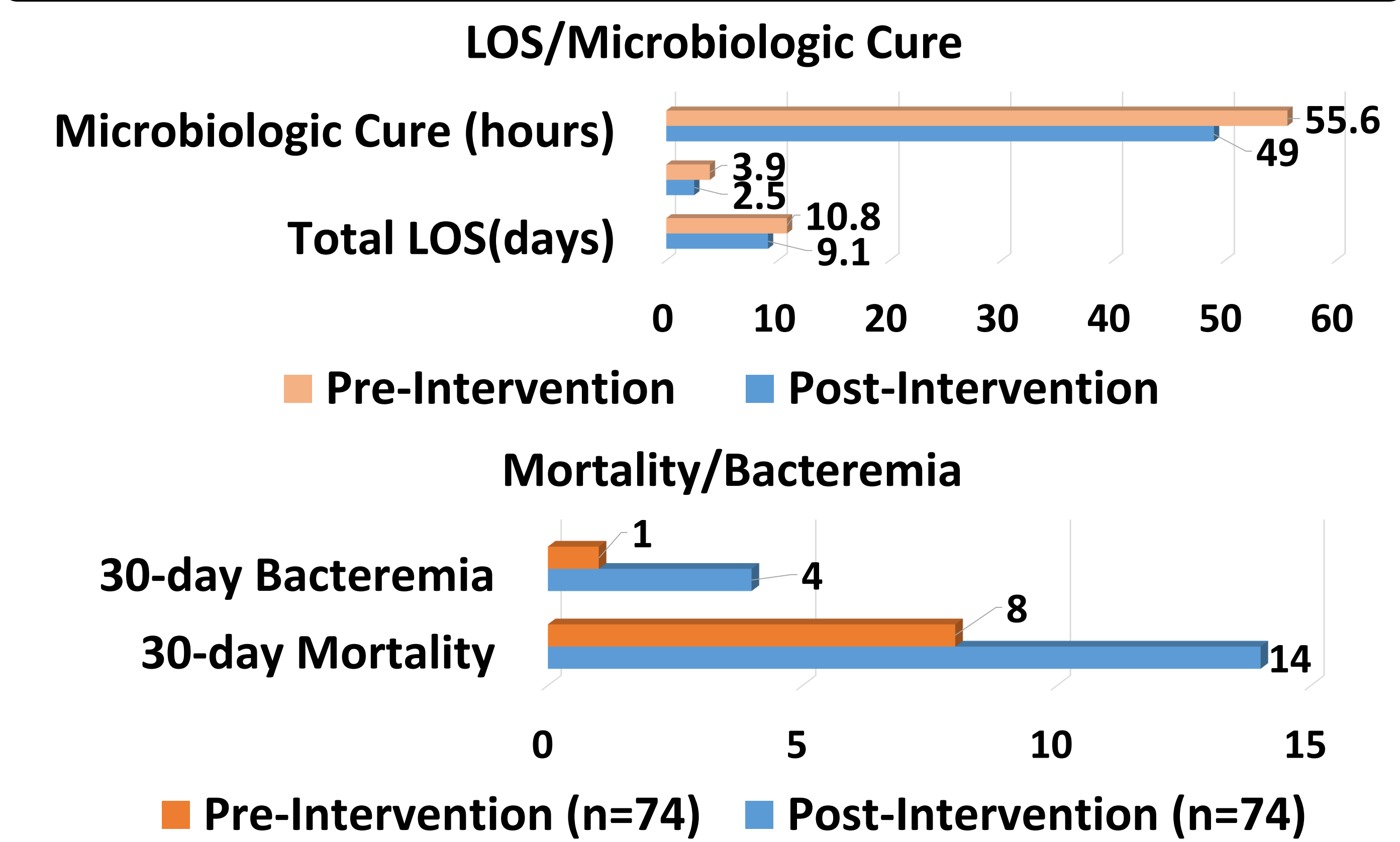
## PRELIMINARY RESULTS

	Basic Demographic			Comorbidities						Clinical/Risk Assessment	
	Gender	Age (years)	BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	DM	Cancer	HIV	CKD	ASCVD	HF	≥ 2 Risk factor for bacteremia	≥ 2/4 SIRS criteria
Pre-Intervention (n=125)	68 Male (54.4%)	58.5	30.2	78 (62.4%)	4 (3.2%)	11 (8.8%)	42 (33.6%)	37 (29.6%)	38 (30.4%)	46 (36.8%)	105 (84%)
Post-Intervention (n=98)	64 Male (65.3%)	60.8	31.1	60 (61.2%)	3 (3.1%)	8 (8.2%)	33 (33.7%)	33 (33.7%)	32 (32.7%)	27 (27.6%)	82 (83.7%)

### Primary Outcomes



### Secondary Outcomes



## CONCLUSION/DISCUSSION

- BCID2 panel is more robust in identification of bacterial species and antimicrobial resistance genes compared to the BCID panel.<sup>4</sup>
- Preliminary results demonstrate utilization of the BCID2 panel reduced time to pathogen identification, effective therapy, and optimal therapy.<sup>1</sup>
- One factor which may account for a smaller difference in time to effective therapy in the pre- and post-intervention groups is prescription of appropriate empiric therapy for various sites of infection.
- Greater differences in time to optimal therapy between the two groups may be due to earlier identification of bacterial resistance genes with the BCID2 panel.
- A trend towards a reduction in total and ICU LOS was noted in the post-intervention group.
- The most common stewardship interventions were de-escalation and discontinuation of therapy. The majority AMT was discontinued following identification of contaminant species in positive blood cultures.
- Utilization of the BCID2 panel with antimicrobial stewardship intervention may improve time to effective and optimal therapy and reduce length of stay.

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