



Delirium in ICU

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Delirium is recognised as the most frequent and severe form of acute brain dysfunction in critically ill patients with sepsis. Delirium presents a wide range of manifestations and is associated with early and long-term consequences, such as increase in the length of stay, costs, mortality and cognitive impairment, generating high stress for the patient and relatives. Current interventions for its prevention involve early recognition, identification of modifiable risk factors and treatment of underlying conditions that predispose patients to delirium. Several specific pharmacologic interventions have been tested so far, with inconsistent results. Furthermore, nonpharmacologic interventions seem to be effective as preventive strategies. Considering your experience and expertise in this area, we hope that you will offer a scientific contribution to be published in this Special Issue.





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