

Inhaled Amikacin to Prevent Ventilator-Associated Pneumonia

Does preventive inhaled antibiotics reduce the incidence of ventilator-associated pneumonia?



Critically ill adults undergoing invasive mechanical ventilation for at least 72 hours in 19 ICUs in France?



RMST: restricted mean survival time

 Δ in RMST of 1.5 days; 95% confidence interval [CI] 0.6 to 2.5; **P=0.004**

Among patients who had undergone mechanical ventilation for at least 3 days, a subsequent 3-day course of inhaled amikacin reduced the burden of ventilator-associated pneumonia during 28 days of follow-up.



infection-related Ventilator-associated complication 30 25 20 15 18% 26% 10 5 0 Hazard ratio, 0.66; 95% CI, 0.50 to 0.89





