

How to collaborate

Do you want to contribute an invasive fungal infection caused by rare yeasts or moulds case confirmed by culture, histology, microscopy or DNA evidence?

Contact us

Fungiscope@uk-koeln.de



You will receive login data to access the online questionnaire

Document your case

Online Case Report Form
Retrospective, anonymized



Demographics
Underlying conditions
Diagnosis of fungal infection
Treatment
Response
Outcome

Send us the fungal isolate

Species identification, susceptibility test



Case Validation
with possible inquiries

Analyses and Joint publications

Invasive infection caused by e.g. *Acremonium*, *Alternaria*, *Cladosporium*, *Cryptococcus* other than *neoformans*, *Curvularia*, *Exophiala*, *Fusarium*, *Geotrichum*, *Lomentospora*, *Paecilomyces*, *Penicillium*, *Scedosporium*, *Trichosporon* species *Non-fumigatus Aspergillus* or any for specific projects, please contact us to identify where suitable, *Candida*----

Publications

Results are presented at international conferences and published in a joint effort in peer-reviewed journals. [1-12]

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Fungi Scope

Global Fungal Infection Registry

Established in 2003

**Research on rare
invasive fungal infections**

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FungiScope® History

Rare invasive yeast and mould infections

FungiScope® – Global Emerging Fungal Infection Registry was established in 2003 with the aim to improve knowledge on epidemiology, clinical manifestations and treatment strategies for invasive infections with so-called „emerging fungi“. Today, collaborators from 82 countries have entered more than 1100 cases. We also provide diagnostic support, collect and identify clinical isolates and provide a search engine for the database (www.fungiquest.net).

FungiScope® provides

- Web-based registry via www.clinicalsurveys.net
- International scientific network for joint analyses
- Prior to sharing of samples or data, approval of the contributors
- Authorship or contributorship, if cases are included in an analysis
- Compensation: € 100/valid case



Invasive mould infections

Any immunosuppressed, neutropenic, GvHD, steroid exposed patient is at risk



Biopsy (C+M+H+P), Blood culture (C), BAL (C+M+P), Aspirates (C+M+P), Sputum (C+M), CSF (C+M+P), Corneal scraping (C+M+P), Serology

Diagnosis	Radiological and clinical pictures often caused by invasive mould infection		Histopathology	Blood culture	Molecular tests	Serology	Dissemination (frequently affected organs)			
Aspergillosis 	Halo sign 	Area of consolidation with crescent shaped airspace separating the mass from chest wall Area of consolidation (nodule or mass) surrounded by ground-glass opacity	Air crescent sign 	Tree-in-bud 	Centrilobular nodules and linear branching opacities with or without bronchiectasis	Non-pigmented, septate hyphae (3 - 8 µm), regular acute-angle branching (45°)	Negative	<i>Aspergillus</i> -specific PCR Panfungal PCR	GM index (BAL, serum) ≥1.0/≥0.5 if repeatedly	Brain, eye, GI tract, heart, kidney, liver, lung, paranasal sinuses, skin, spleen
Mucormycosis 		Reversed halo sign Central ground-glass opacity surrounded by a crescent or ring shaped consolidation		Skin manifestation Eschar Erythematous lesion with black necrotic centre	Non-pigmented, rarely septate hyphae (6 - 25 µm), irregular right-angle branching (>45 - 90°)	Negative	Mucorales-specific PCR Panfungal PCR	-	Bone, brain, deep soft tissue, eye, GI tract, kidney, liver, lung, paranasal sinuses, skin, spleen	
Fusariosis 		Skin manifestation Cheek		Foot Violaceous or erythematous, flat, indurated plaques disseminated mainly on extremities	Non-pigmented, septate hyphae (3 - 8 µm), regular acute-angle branching	Positive in some cases of disseminated disease Prolonged incubation necessary!	Panfungal PCR	(1-3)-β-D-glucan↑	Blood, deep soft tissue, eye, liver, lung, paranasal sinuses, skin Blood and skin lesions!	
Scedosporiosis 		Eye manifestation Photograph showing conjunctival congestion, corneal ulcer with anterior chamber hypopyon		Lung and Brain manifestation a) Nodular lung consolidation* b) Multiple ring-enhancing lesions (arrows) with perifocal edema compatible with abscesses*	Non-pigmented, septate hyphae (2 - 5 µm), irregular acute-angle branching	Positive in some cases of disseminated disease Prolonged incubation necessary!	Panfungal PCR	(1-3)-β-D-glucan↑	Blood, bone, brain, deep soft tissue, eye, kidney, liver, lung, paranasal sinuses, skin	
Candida 		Diagnostic Imaging for suspected hepatosplenic Candidiasis. (Left) Multiple hypodense nodular lesions on an abdominal CT of a probable hepatosplenic invasive candidiasis. (Right) Multiple hypoechoic lesions with hyperechoic centres on ultrasound		???	???	???	???	???	???	

*Not specific for scedosporiosis