PCT ≤ 1.0 ng/ml

- Clinical stabilisation*, no clinical suspicion of infection
  - Cessation of antibiotic therapy

- Microbiological diagnosis or clinical suspicion of infection
  - Evaluation:
    1. Continuation of antibiotic therapy?
    2. Optimization or adjustment of antibiotic therapy? (e.g. viral or fungal infections)
    3. Diagnostic interventions?

PCT > 1.0 ng/ml but
Drop to 25-35% of the initial value within three days.

- yes
  - Conditions (unrelated to bacterial infections) that may increase PCT-levels (CPR, surgery, shock, RRT etc.)?
    - yes
      - no
    - no
      - no