242 patients with severe sepsis

157 patients with community-acquired severe sepsis

- PCT day 0 <0.5 ng/ml
  - 17 patients
  - Hospital mortality 23.5%
    (4/17)

- PCT day 0 ≥0.5 ng/ml
  - 140 patients
  - Hospital mortality 24.3%
    (34/140)

85 patients with nosocomial severe sepsis

- PCT day 0 <0.5 ng/ml
  - 19 patients
  - Hospital mortality 21.1%
    (4/19)

- PCT day 0 ≥0.5 ng/ml
  - 66 patients
  - Hospital mortality 30.3%
    (20/66)