Reviewer's report

**Title:** Epidemiology, Species Distribution and Outcome of Nosocomial Candida Bloodstream Infection in Shanghai

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This article is well written and includes very prestigious and respected authors but not much new information of usefulness for others is included.

The study is retrospective and the volume of cases of the institution in episodes of Candidemia is relatively low (20-25 cases/year).

The number of blood cultures/1000 admissions obtained yearly in the institution should be included. The low numbers of candidemia episodes may be related to subculturing.

It is remarkable that a very high proportion of episodes of Candidemia occur in ICU’s. Is this because the number of blood cultures obtained outside the ICU is particularly low?

To consider for adequate therapy the limit of 5 days is too broad in my opinion. The data should be provided day by day in the initial 5 days.

**Level of interest:** An article of limited interest

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

**Statistical review:** No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have not competing interests