

Background

Little data is available comparing oritavancin (ORT) to the standard-of-care (SOC) for the treatment of gram-positive blood stream infections (BSI).

Methods

This was a retrospective study of all patients in the Veterans Affairs Health Care System who had received at least 1 dose of oritavancin or at least 5 days of vancomycin, daptomycin, ceftaroline, ampicillin, ampicillin-sulbactam, nafcillin, oxacillin, or cefazolin for a documented gram-positive BSI from 1 January 2015 to 30 June 2021. Patients with polymicrobial blood cultures or positive cultures from other sites were included if the organisms were susceptible to the incident antimicrobial; no concomitant antimicrobials could be used once the incident agent was started. Individuals were also excluded if they were diagnosed with endocarditis, had a neutrophil count <500 cells/mm³, or had a diagnosis of Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) on their problem list.

The primary composite outcome was clinical failure, defined as all-cause mortality within 30-days from the end of therapy, or any additional blood cultures positive for the incident organisms ≥72 hours after administration of the first dose and ≤30 days from the administration of the final dose of the study antimicrobial, or any drug or line-related readmissions within 30-days of hospital discharge. Secondary outcomes included all-cause 30-day readmission and rates or acute kidney injury (AKI).

Figure 1: Antimicrobials Used in the SOC Group (N=69)

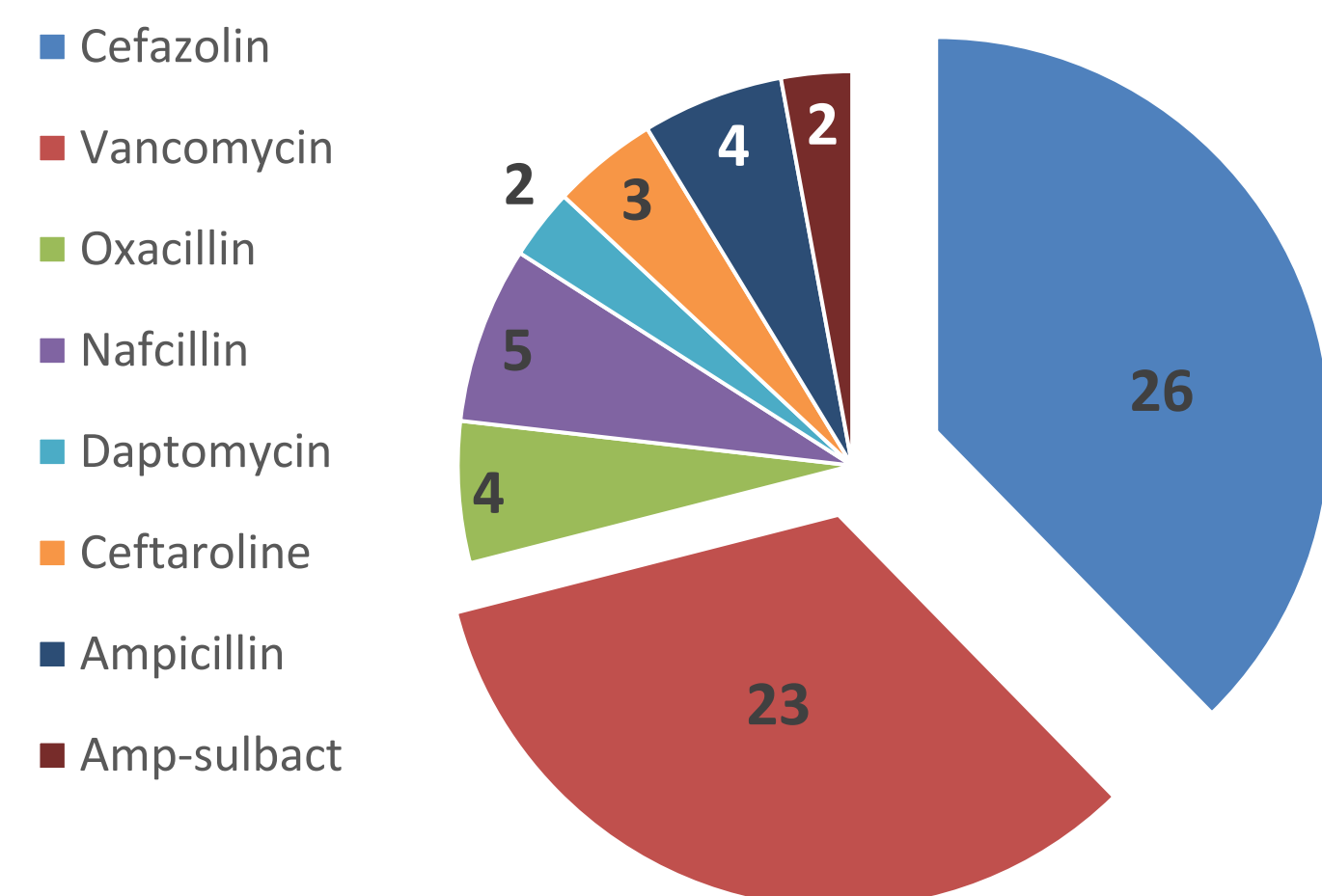


Table 1: Baseline Characteristics

Baseline Characteristics	Oritavancin (n=27)	Standard-of-care (n=69)	P-value
Age (years), median	62	69	0.05
Male, n (%)	26 (96.3)	69 (100)	0.281
Race, n (%)	White 18 (69.2) Black 6 (23.1) Other 2 (7.7)	White 53 (81.5) Black 9 (13.8) Other 3 (4.7)	0.491
Creatinine clearance (mL/min), median (IQR)	103.5 (60.5)	88.5 (51.6)	0.079
History of IVDU, n (%)	5 (18.2)	4 (5.8)	0.111
History of OPAT use within previous 2 years, n (%)	1 (3.7)	3 (4.3)	1.0
History of medication non-compliance, n (%)	9 (33.3)	10 (14.5)	0.037
History of MRSA in the previous 2 years, n (%)	4 (14.8)	8 (11.6)	0.735
History of VRE in the previous 2 years, n (%)	0	0	---
Greater than 96 hours of antimicrobials BEFORE incident antimicrobial initiation, n (%)	19 (70.4)	9 (13.4)	<0.001
Organisms cultured, n (%):			
MSSA	9 (33.3)	32 (46.4)	
MRSA	6 (22.2)	17 (24.6)	
<i>S.epidermidis</i>	5 (18.5)	7 (10.4)	
<i>E.faecalis</i>	0	6 (8.7)	
<i>E.faecium</i>	1 (3.7)	0	
Likely source of infection, n (%):			
SSTI	17 (62.9)	28 (40.6)	
Central line	2 (7.4)	4 (5.8)	
Urinary	1 (3.7)	5 (7.3)	
Other	6 (22.2)	13 (18.8)	
Length of stay (days), median (IQR)	12 (9)	5 (3)	<0.001
Length of treatment (days), median (IQR)	14 (14)	14.5 (17)	0.986
**each dose of ORT was considered to be 14-days of therapy			
Time between initial culture obtained and start of incident antimicrobial (days), median (IQR)	6 (3)	2 (2)	<0.001
Doses of oritavancin, n (%):			
1 dose	19 (70.4)		
2 doses	4 (14.8)		
3 doses	3 (11.1)		
4 doses	1 (3.7)		

Results

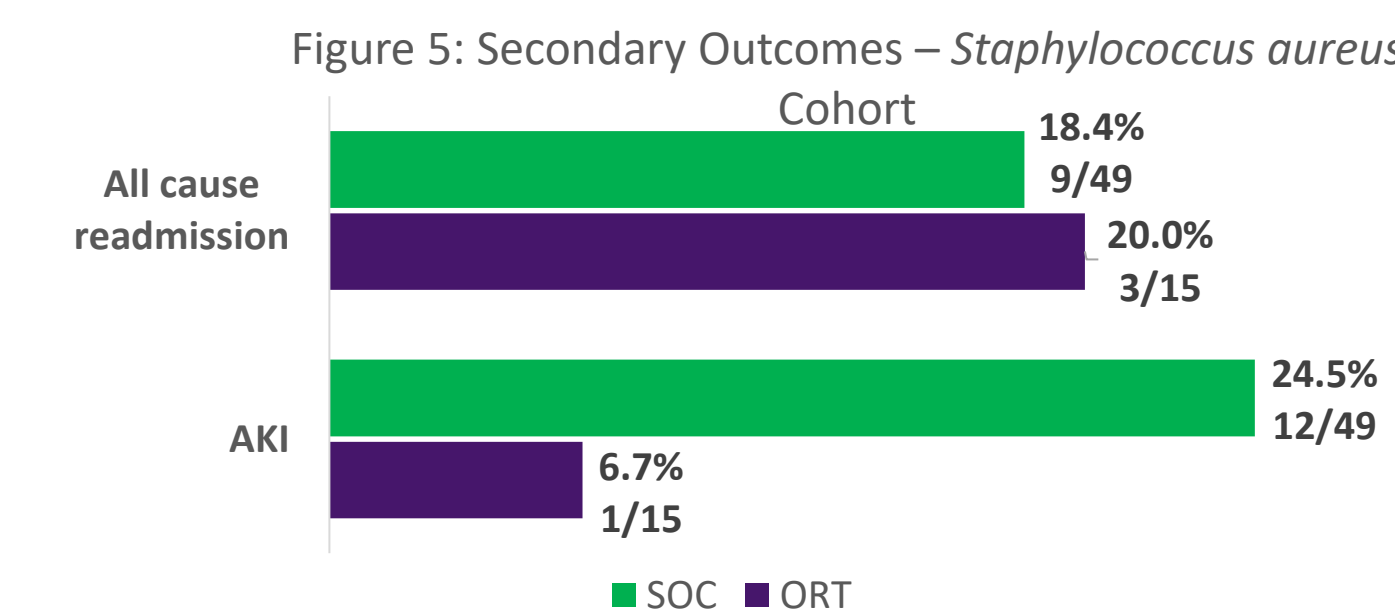
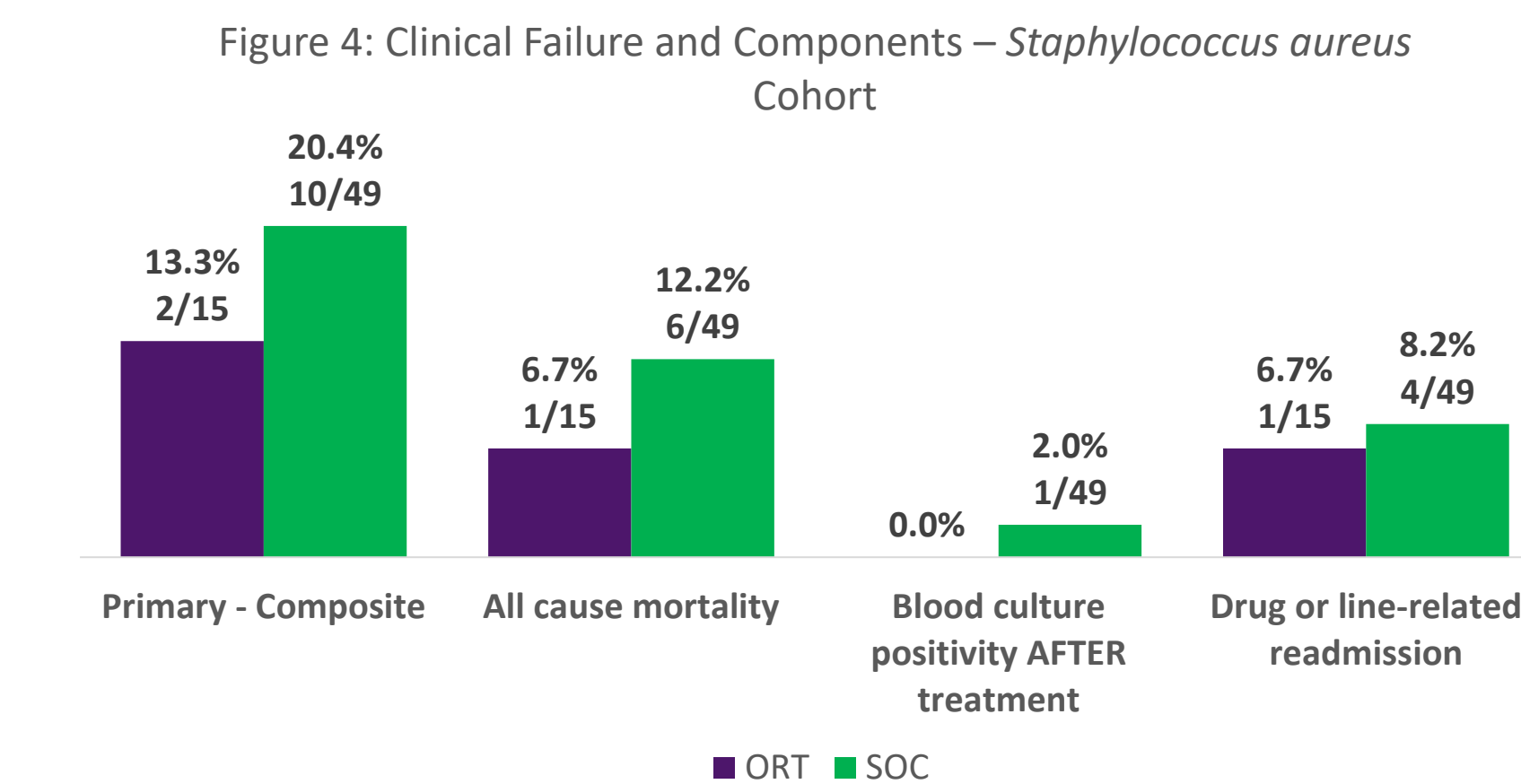
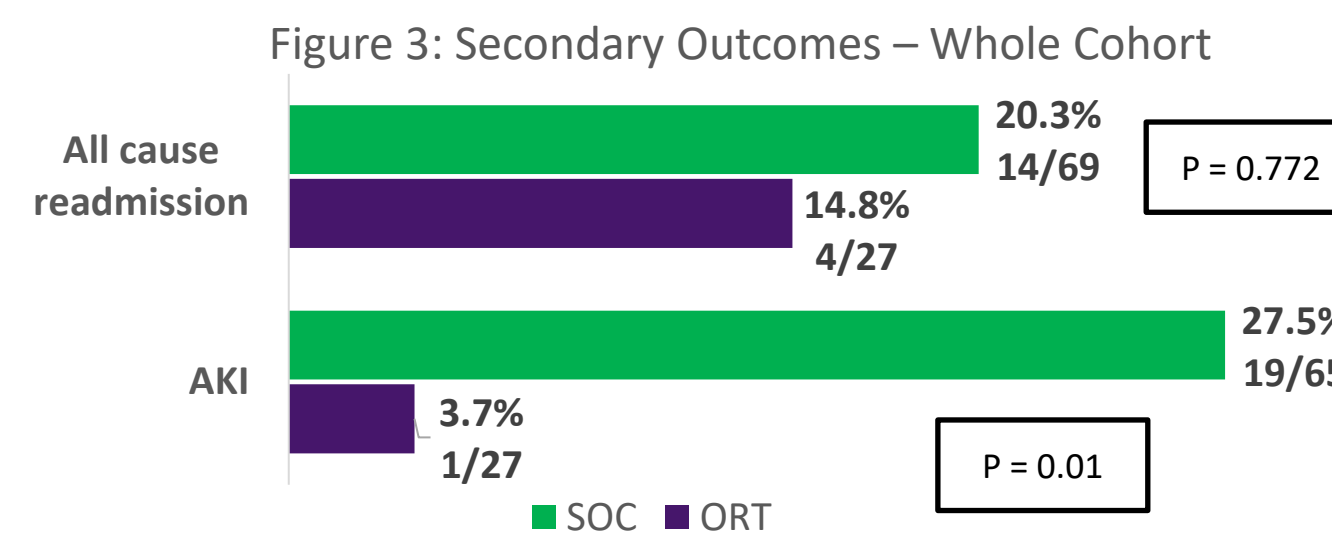
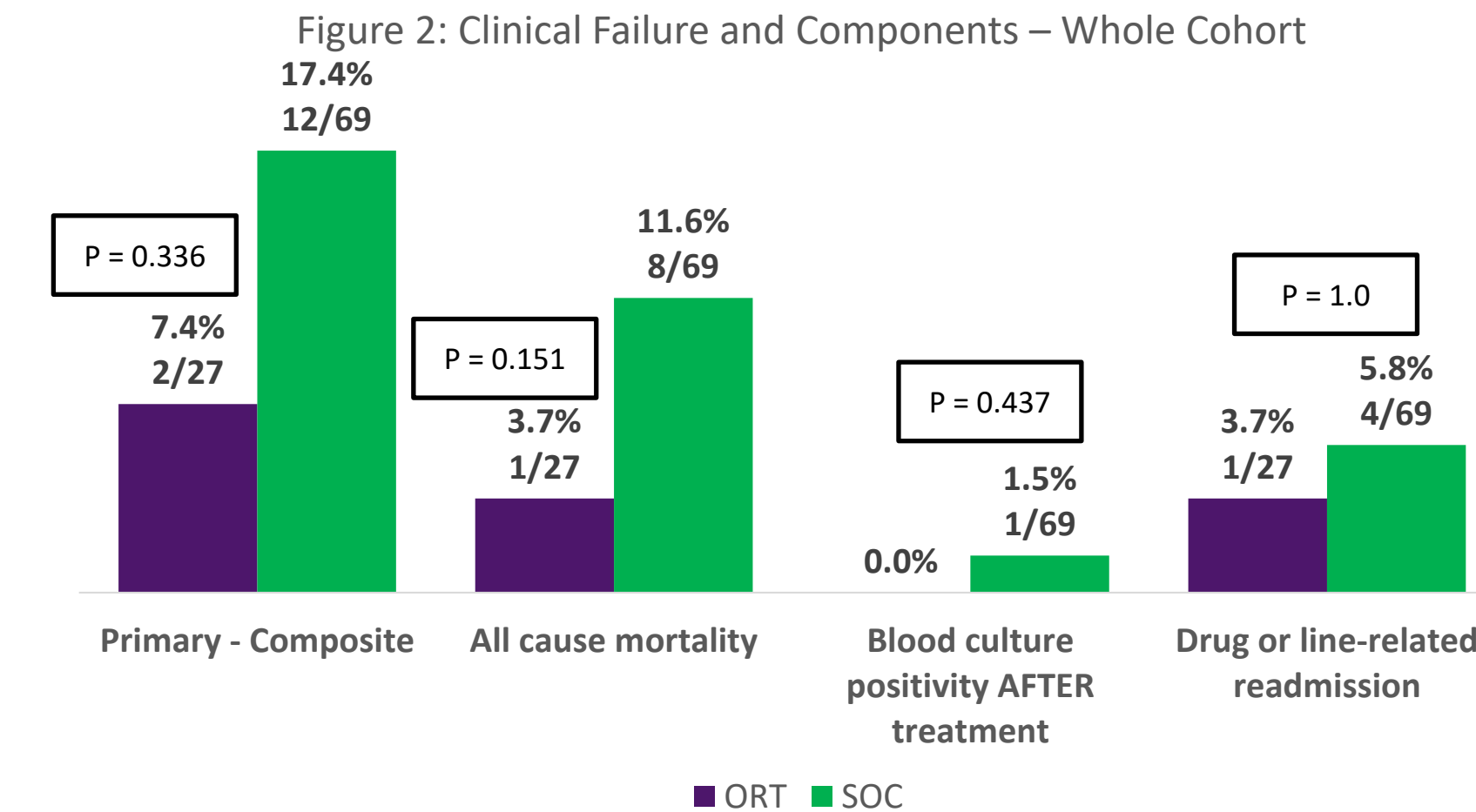


Table 2: Univariate Analysis – Whole Cohort

Covariate	Clinical Failure	No Clinical Failure	P-value
Received oritavancin therapy	2	25	0.227
Received more than 1 dose of oritavancin	2	6	0.392
MRSA isolated from the blood	7	16	0.019
Enterococcus isolated from the blood	0	7	0.976
Received daptomycin	2	0	0.976
Received vancomycin	5	18	0.271
BMI ≥ 30	4	39	0.195
Received >96 hours of prior antibiotics	2	26	0.200
Other cultures positive	3	28	0.353

**Variables with a p-value of ≤0.2 were include in the multivariate regression

Table 4: Univariate Analysis – Staphylococcus aureus Cohort

Covariate	Clinical Failure	No Clinical Failure	P-value
Received oritavancin therapy	2	13	0.542
Received more than 1 dose of oritavancin	2	6	0.348
MRSA isolated from the blood	7	16	0.081
Enterococcus isolated from the blood	---	---	---
Received daptomycin	2	0	0.974
Received vancomycin	4	10	0.293
BMI ≥ 30	4	26	0.303
Received >96 hours of prior antibiotics	2	16	0.337
Other cultures positive	2	20	0.167

**Variables with a p-value of ≤0.2 were include in the multivariate regression

Table 3: MVR Analysis – Whole Cohort

Covariate	OR (95% CI)	P-value
MRSA isolated from blood	3.52 (1.06-11.76)	0.04
BMI ≥ 30	0.44 (0.12-1.61)	0.217
Received >96 hours of prior antibiotics	0.38 (0.07-1.92)	0.241

Conclusions

ORT appears to be a safe and effective option when directly compared to the SOC for non-endocarditis BSIs. Similar outcomes were observed in a cohort of patients with *S.aureus* BSIs. Only MRSA isolated from the blood was identified as an independent risk factor for clinical failure.

Table 5: MVR Analysis – Staphylococcus aureus Cohort

Covariate	OR (95% CI)	P-value
MRSA isolated from blood	2.74 (0.73-10.2)	0.134



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