

# **Efforts to Improve Care of Sepsis Patients: Korean Sepsis Alliance Experience**

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Sepsis is a global problem is the most common cause of death in hospitalized patients. In South Korea, early detection and early management of sepsis and septic shock management is not up to world standards. To improve our current status of sepsis management, the Korean Society and Critical Care Medicine and the Korean Center for Disease Control have joined hands to create the Korean Sepsis Alliance. Korean Sepsis Alliance (KSA) is a group of investigators from 19 university-affiliated hospitals from all parts of Korea. KSA is prospectively collecting data of sepsis patients both from the emergency departments and ward through activity of rapid response system. We also have studied what are the limiting steps in complying with the components of the Surviving Sepsis Bundles. Through evidence created with our data, we are now in the process of creating the first Korean guideline in sepsis management. Through these efforts, KSA hope to improve care of sepsis/septic shock patients.