



SOME FACTS ABOUT SEPSIS IN CHILDREN



**SEPSIS IS NOT BINARY
SEPSIS IS A CLINICAL DIAGNOSIS
SEPSIS IS A SPECTRUM**



**SEPSIS EVOLVES
SEPSIS IS OFTEN PRECEDED BY AN
APPARENTLY BENIGN ILLNESS**



**THE VAST MAJORITY OF CHILDREN WITH
FEVER AND TACHYCARDIA DO NOT HAVE
SEPSIS**



**WE HAVE NO HIGHLY SENSITIVE OR
SPECIFIC WAY OF IDENTIFYING SEPSIS
IN CHILDREN**



**WE HAVE NO IDEA WHETHER WE ARE CURRENTLY
IMPROVING THE SENSITIVITY OR REDUCING THE
SPECIFICITY OF THE DETECTION OF SEPSIS**