

Table 1 Characteristics of patients in ICUs with healthcare-associated infections

Characteristics	Infected patients (n = 1722)^a
Sex, n (%)	
Male	901 (52.3)
Female	821 (47.7)
Age, mean (SD)	57.30 (24.24)
Children, n (%)	
< 2 years	84 (4.8)
2–11 years	38 (2.2)
12–18 years	26 (1.5)
Adults, n (%)	
19–39 years	242 (14.0)
40–59 years	382 (22.1)
Elderly, n (%)	
> 60 years	950 (55.2)
Admission wards, n (%)	
Medical ICU	262 (15.2)
Surgical ICU	818 (47.5)
General ICU	642 (37.2)
Comorbidity, n (%)	
Cardiac diseases	304 (17.7)
Digestive system diseases	114 (6.6)
Respiratory diseases	217 (12.6)
Renal complications	29 (1.7)
Neurological disorders	33 (1.9)
Malignancies	79 (4.6)
Others	415 (24.0)
None	531 (30.8)
Time from admission to first infection, median (IQR)	5 (2–12) days
Length of stay, median (IQR)	20 (11–33) days
Mortality, n (%)	779 (45.2)

^aData are described as mean (SD) for continuous data and frequency for categorical data. The number of cases is presented with percentages. ICU = intensive care unit; IQR = interquartile range; SD = standard deviation.