**Appendix 2**

**Diagram of C-reative Protein pattern criteria**

CRP - C-reactive Protein; Initial CRP – CRP ratio between day 4 and day 0; Late CRP - CPR ratio between day 7 and day 0.

**<0,4:**

**Fast response**

**0,4 – 0,8**

**≥0,8**

**Delayed and slow response**

**Initial CRP**

**(CRP day 4/CRP day 0)**

**Late CRP**

**(CRP day 7/CRP day 0)**

**<0,8**

**Delayed but fast response**

**≥0,8**

**Biphasic response**