

**Table 3 Plasma macrophage migration inhibitory factor (MIF) levels among the study groups of patients and between survivors and non-survivors of sepsis**

Study groups	No. of patients	MIF levels (pg/mL)		P-value
		Mean (SD)	Range	
All patients				
Severe sepsis	27	12855 (2823)	5780-20 750	< 0.001 <sup>a</sup>
Sepsis	25	9036 (1623)	4152-16 098	0.01 <sup>b</sup>
Controls	28	2207 (823)	1028-9815	
Sepsis cases				
Survivors	33	8953 (1870)	5274-17 251	0.007
Non-survivors	19	14 852 (2780)	6543-20 750	

<sup>a</sup>Significant difference versus other groups; <sup>b</sup>Significant difference versus controls.  
SD = standard deviation.