

# RIMODULAZIONE DELLE CITOKINE. COME E PERCHE'

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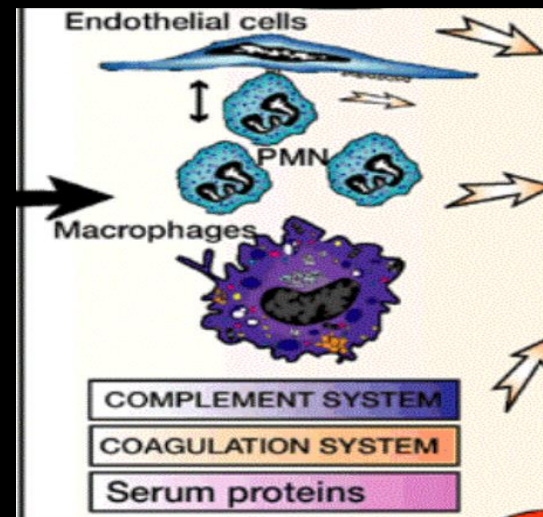


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**INFEZIONE**

Source  
control



**SEPSI**

DISFUNZIONE  
MULTIORGANICA

Blood  
purification

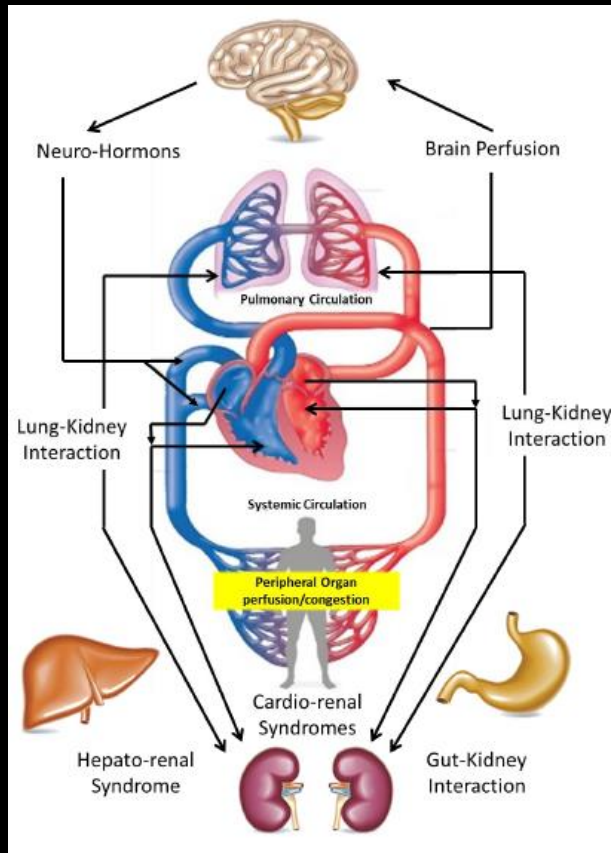
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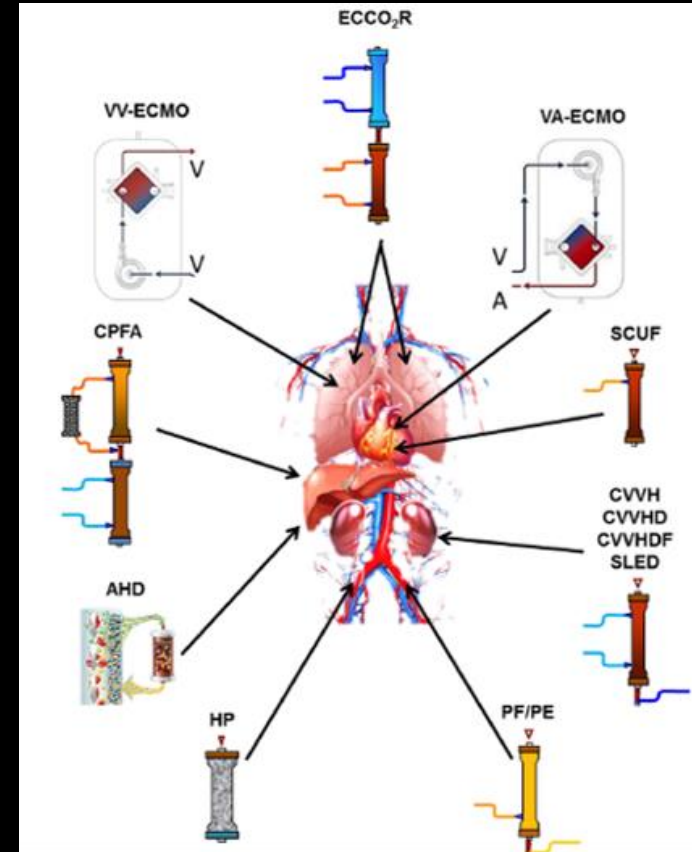
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**MORTE**

# Blood Purification: why?



**MODS**



**BLOOD PURIFICATION**

## Sepsis and CRRT: The Peak Concentration Hypothesis

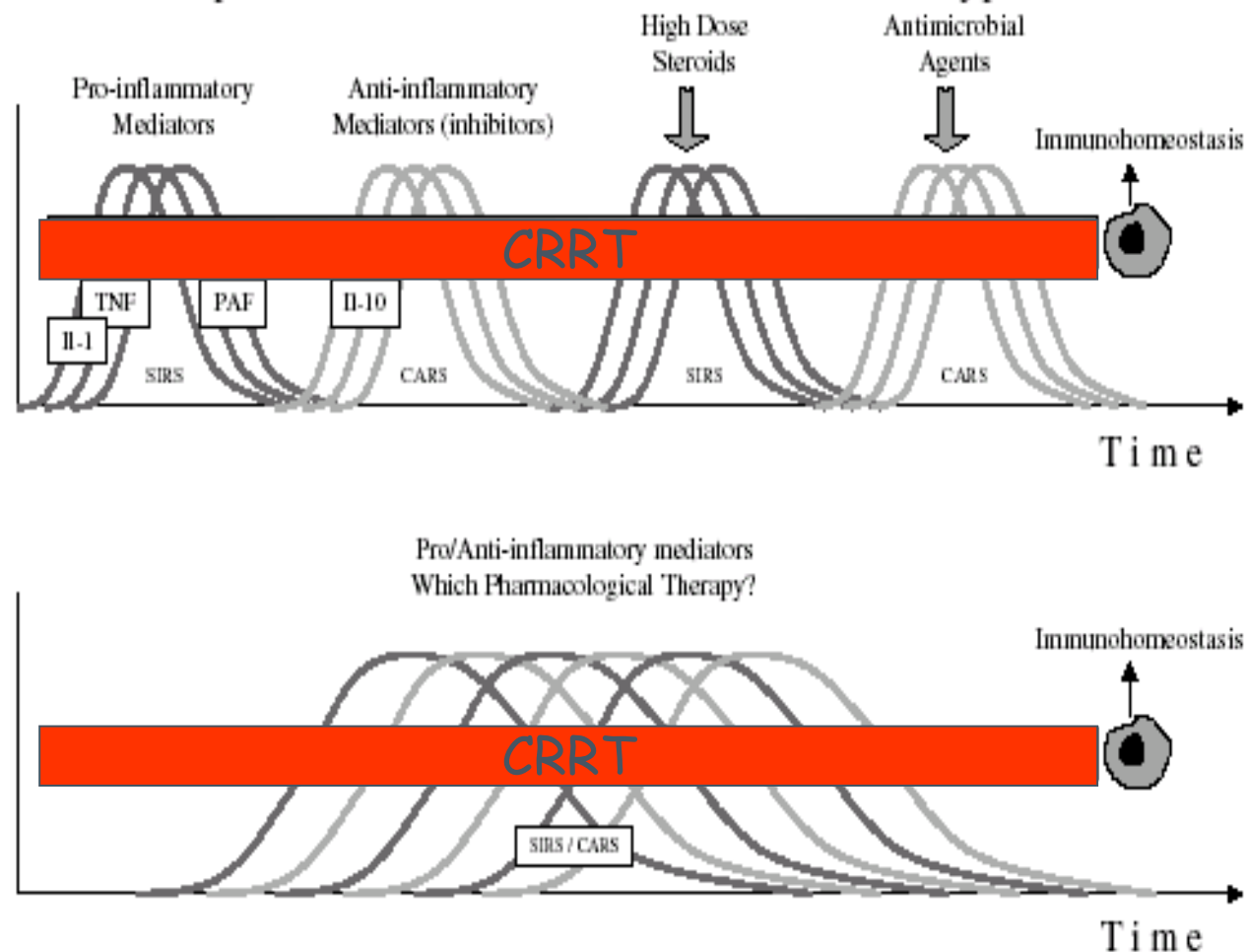


FIG. 3. In both theories (sequential and parallel), the concept introduced by the peak concentration hypothesis suggests that a nonselective control of the peaks of inflammation and immunoparalysis may contribute to bring the patient to a lesser degree of imbalance and close to the self-defenses induced by a nearly normal immunohomeostasis.

# Terapie extracorporee per la modulazione citochinica

**Table 1.** Currently Available Extracorporeal Blood Purification Technologies

| Treatment  | Principle  | Aim  |
|--|--|--|
| CPFA   | Convective with plasma filtration and adsorption | Volume removal<br>Purification technique                     |
| CVVH   | Convective                                       | Cytokine removal<br>Volume removal<br>Purification technique |
| Continuous veno-venous hemodialysis (CVVHD)        | Diffusive  | Volume removal<br>Purification technique                     |
| CVVHDF   | Convective and diffusive                         | Volume removal<br>Purification technique                     |
| Continuous veno-venous high-flux dialysis (CVVHFD) | Convective and diffusive                         | Volume removal<br>Purification technique                     |
| HCO for hemofiltration or hemodialysis             | Convective or diffusive                          | Cytokine removal<br>Volume removal<br>Purification technique |
| Hemoperfusion (HP)                                 | Adsorption                                       | Purification technique                                       |
| HVHF   | Convective                                       | Cytokine removal<br>Volume removal<br>Purification technique |
| Pulse HVHF   | Convective                                       | Cytokine removal<br>Volume removal<br>Purification technique |
| Plasma adsorption (PA)                             | Filtration and adsorption                        | Cytokine removal   |
| Plasma exchange (PEX)                              | Filtration with re-infusion                      | Cytokine removal   |
| Slow continuous ultrafiltration (SCUF)             | Ultrafiltration                                  | Volume removal   |
| SLED: sustained low efficiency dialysis            | Diffusive  | Volume removal<br>Purification technique                     |

# Types of Blood Purification

- › hemofilters
  - regular pore size (MW < 40,000D)
    - › Low flux
    - › High flux
  - large pore filtration (MW < 100,000D)
- › open pore plasma filters
  - plasma exchange
  - plasmapheresis
- › coupled plasma filtration/adsorption
- › adsorption

# Adsorbents

- › non selective

- charcoal

- › coated

- › uncoated

- uncharged resins

- liposomes (+ Vit C & Vit E)

- › selective

- hydrophobic resins

- powdered adsorbent

- microsphere based detoxification system

- engineered matrices

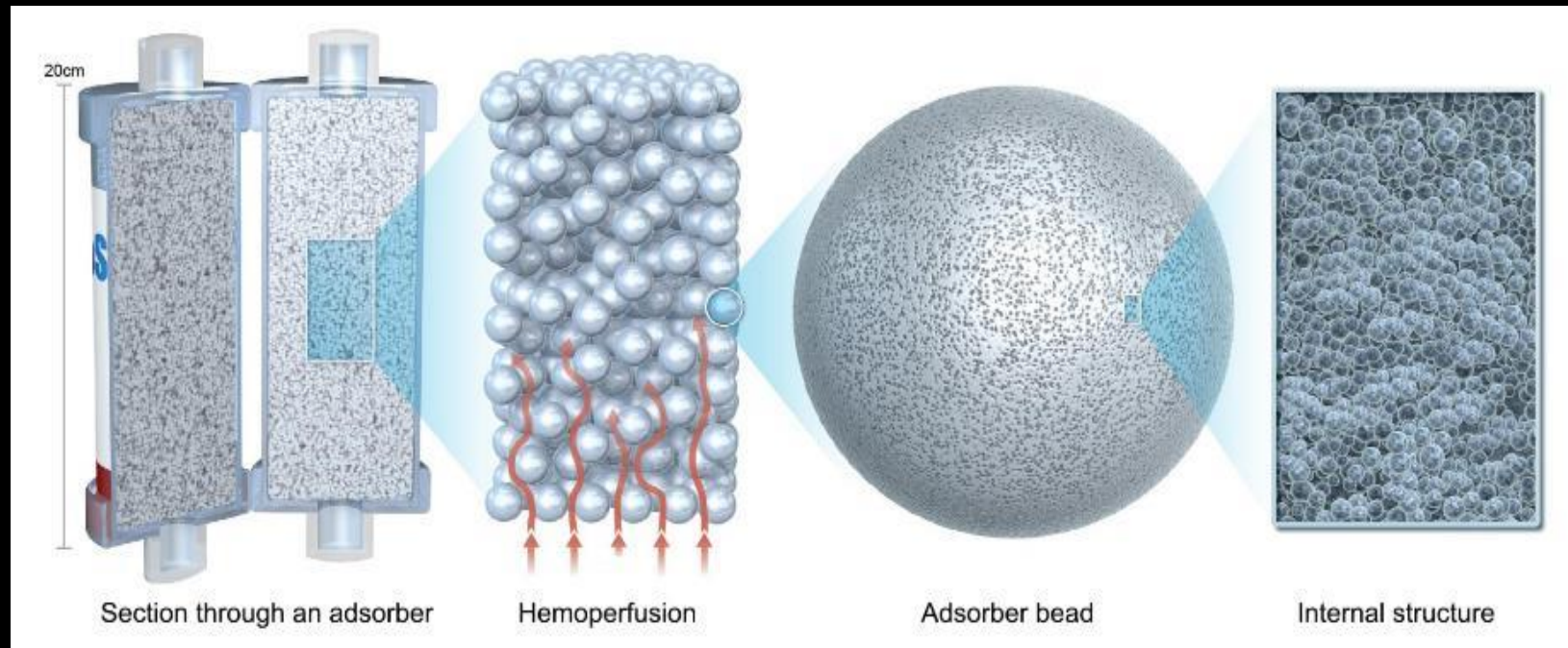


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# Adsorption with CytoSorb

CytoSorb is made of  
Highly biocompatible, porous polymer beads



**CytoSorb works directly with BLOOD**

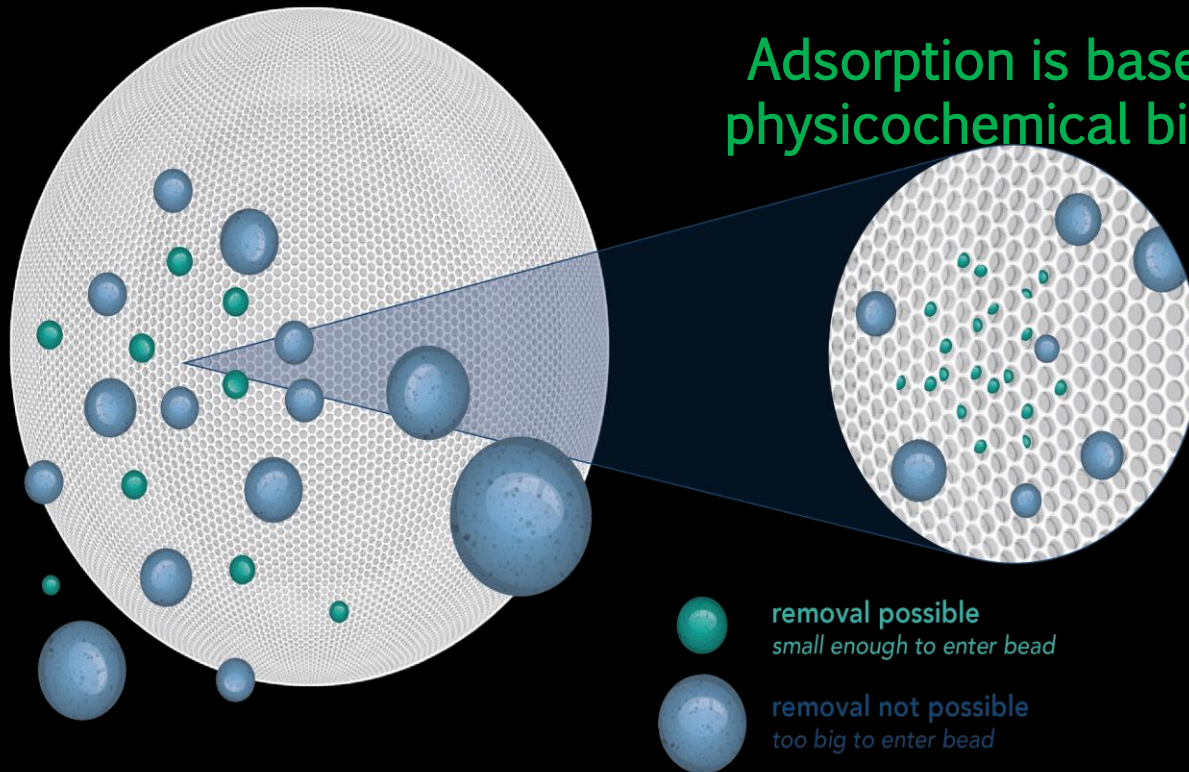


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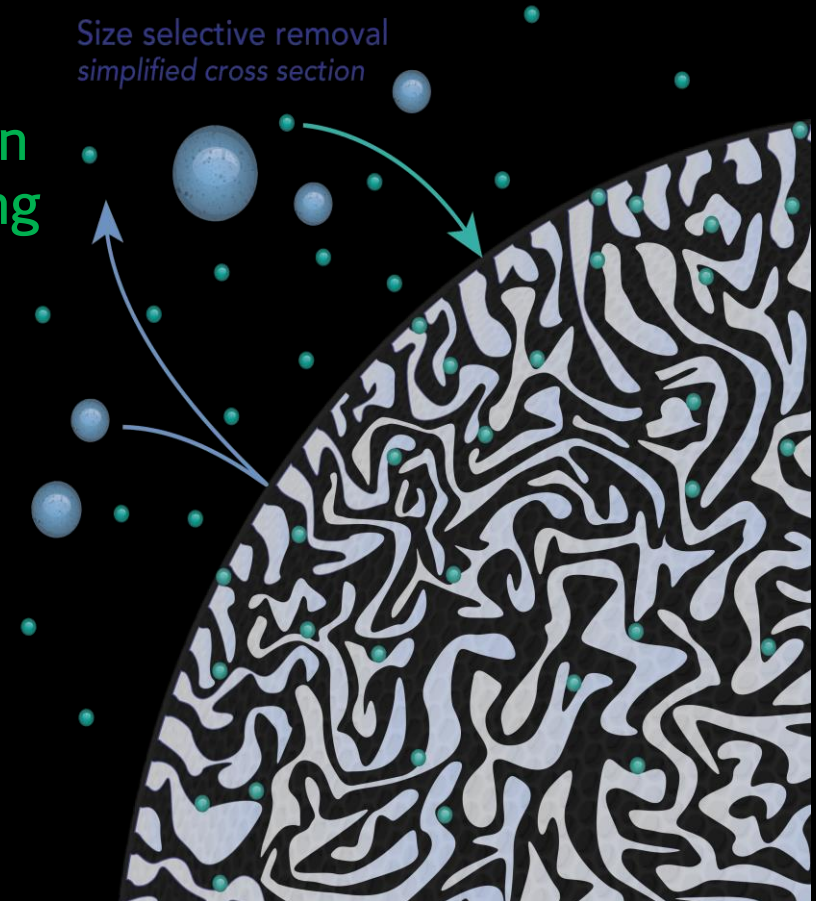
CytoSorb removes hydrophobic substances due to:

- physicochemical properties
- pore size

Size selective removal



Size selective removal  
simplified cross section



## Clinical Utility of Extracorporeal Cytokine Hemoadsorption Therapy: A Literature Review

Anthony Bonavia<sup>a</sup> Andrew Groff<sup>b</sup> Kunal Karamchandani<sup>a</sup> Kai Singbartl<sup>c</sup>

of pores and channels, giving it a large effective surface area for binding of hydrophobic molecules between 5–60 kDa in size [90]. This size range (referred to as the “cytokine sweet spot”) targets many of the key inflammatory mediators involved in the sepsis-triggered cytokine storm, such as: IL-1 $\beta$ , IL-6, TNF- $\alpha$ , IL-10, and potentially PAMPs and DAMPs [91]. Particles outside this size range, including larger immune cells and smaller serum electrolytes recirculate unchanged. While the manufacturer states that bacterial endotoxins are not removed with CytoSorb, a study has shown some efficacy in removing toxins within the 5–60 kDa range [92].



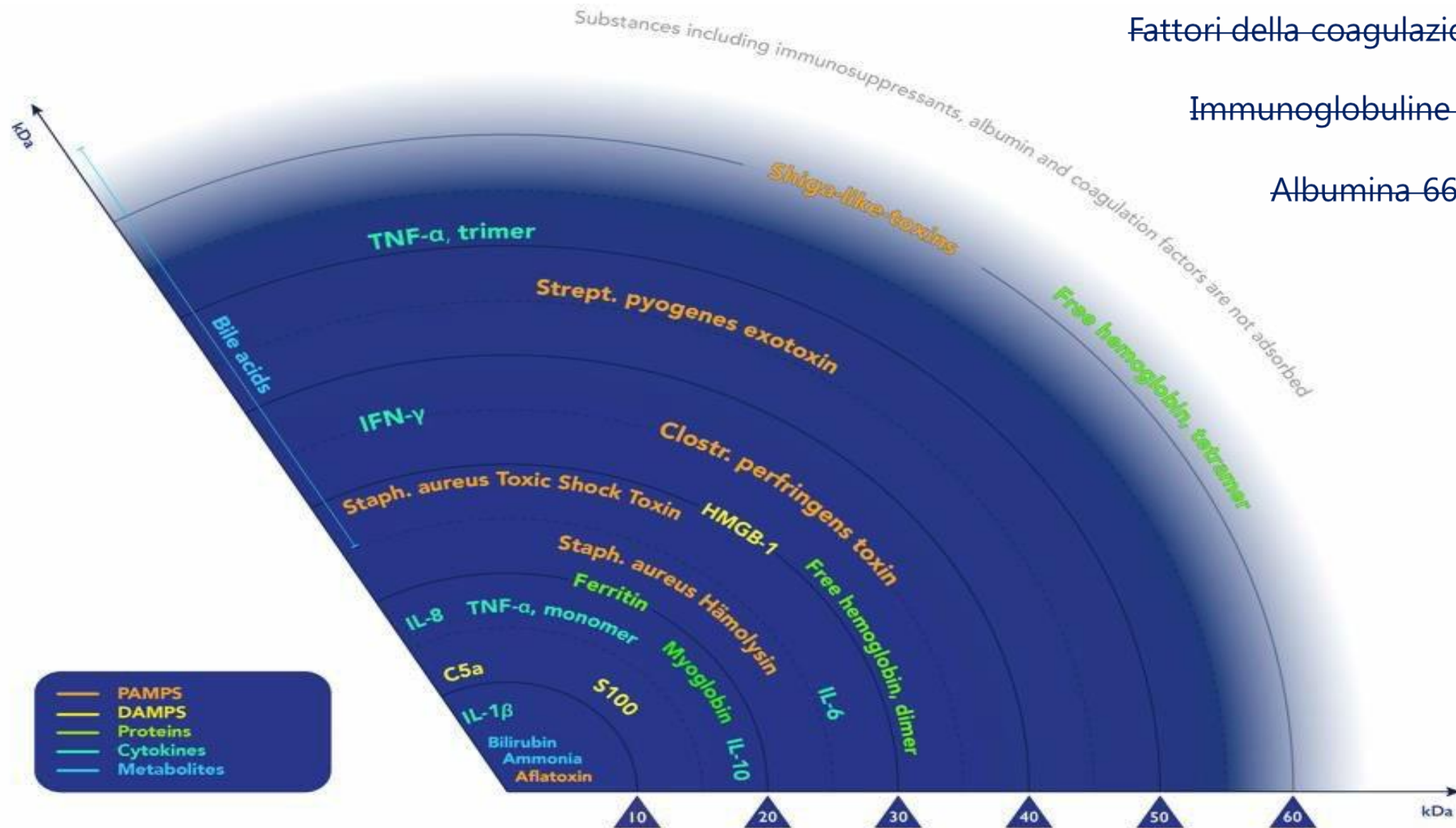
## ❖ Molecole idrofobiche fino a 55-60 kDa

**NON**  
**rimuove:**

Fattori della coagulazione  $>100\text{kDa}$

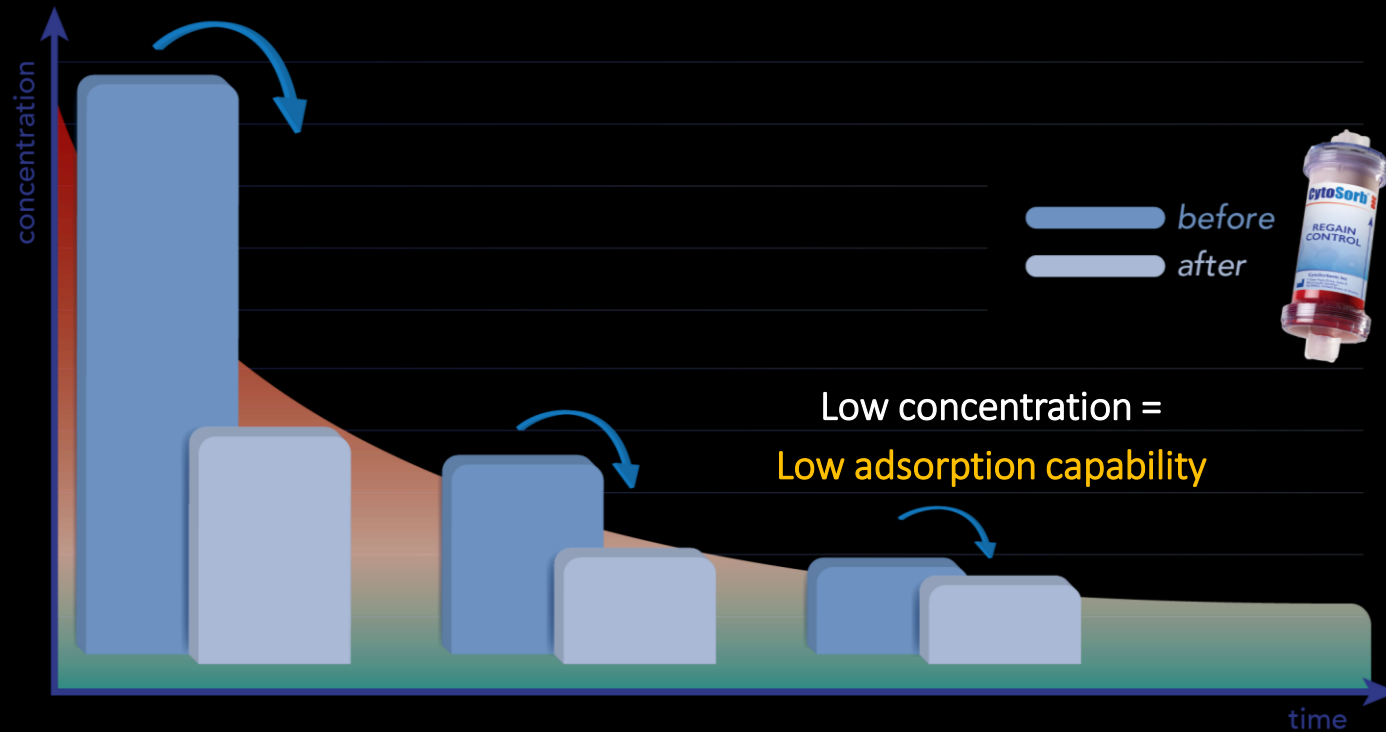
Immunoglobuline  $>150\text{kDa}$

Albumina  $66\text{kDa}$

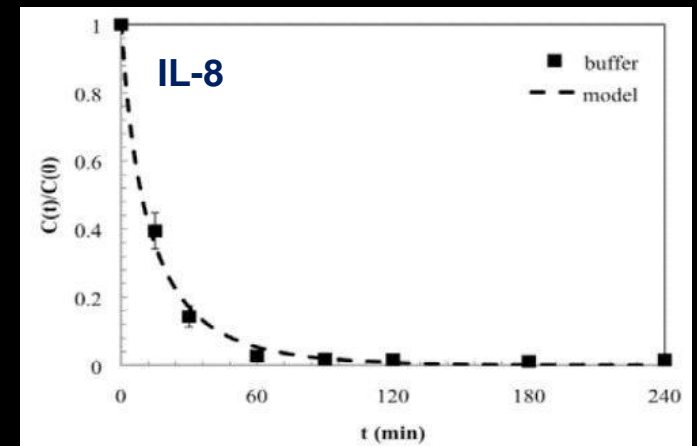
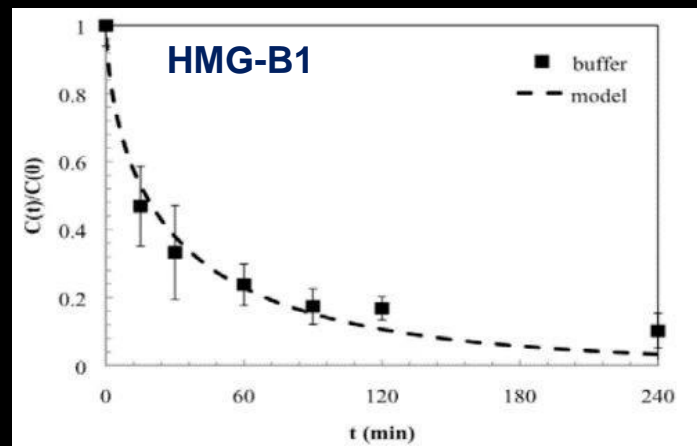
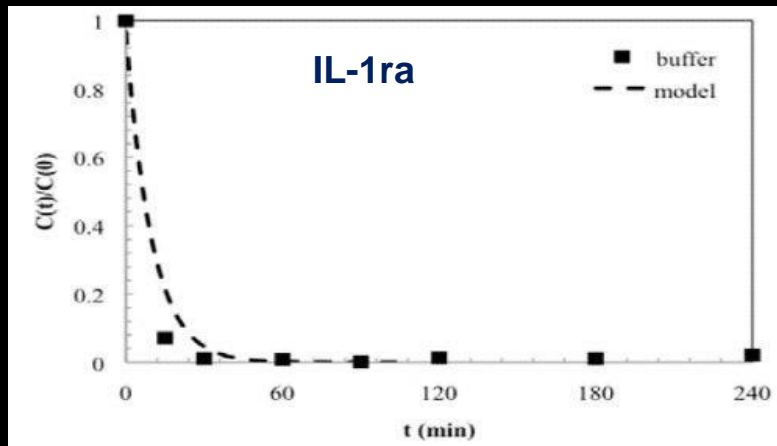
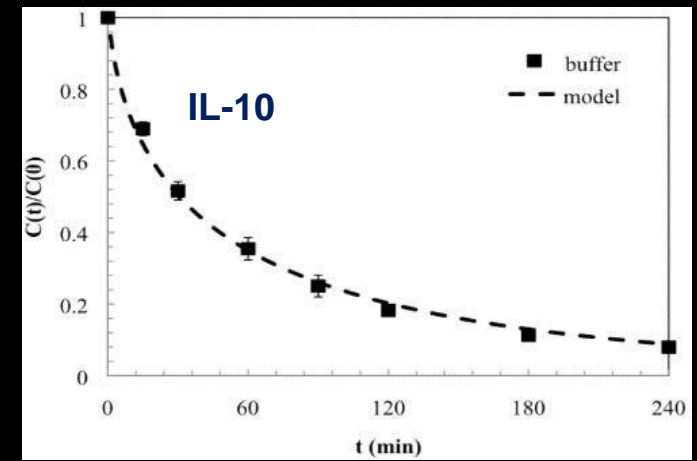
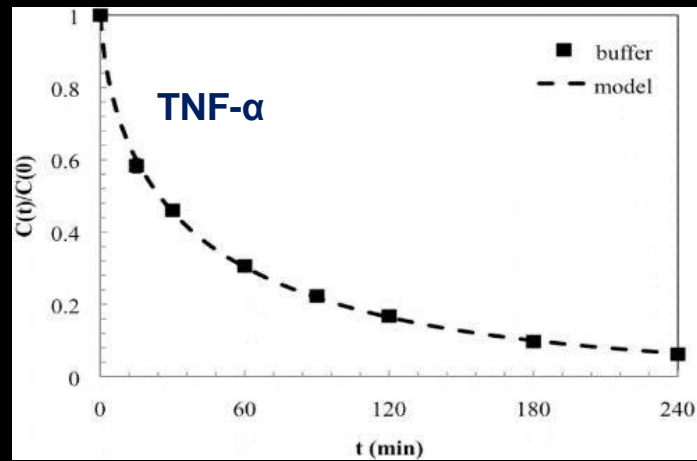
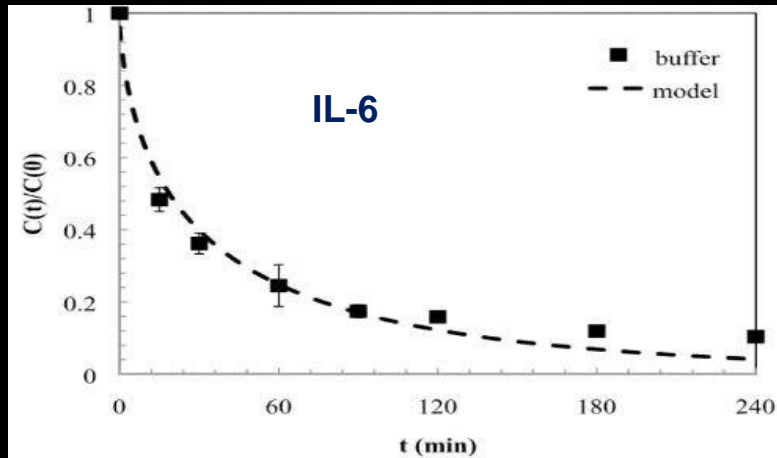


# Adsorption with CytoSorb

High concentration =  
High adsorption capability



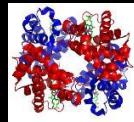
# In vitro removal of cytokines



# Adsorption with CytoSorb

## Inflammatory mediators:

- Cytokines (IL-10, IL-6, IL-8, TNF-alfa and others)
- Inflammatory response triggers (PAMPS e DAMPS)



Free hemoglobin

Bilirubin

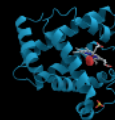


Bile Acids



Ammonia

Myoglobin



ADSORBS:





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SEPSIS

SEPTIC SHOCK



CARDIAC SURGERY



LIVER FAILURE



RHABDOMYOLYSIS

## Rimozione In Vivo di Bilirubina Mediante un Nuovo Sorbente: Case Report.

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Policlinico Sant'Orsola-Malpighi, Bologna



Male, 66 years old, hepatitis C virus (HCV)-related cirrhosis, complicated by hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC), in list for liver transplantation (MELD 10).

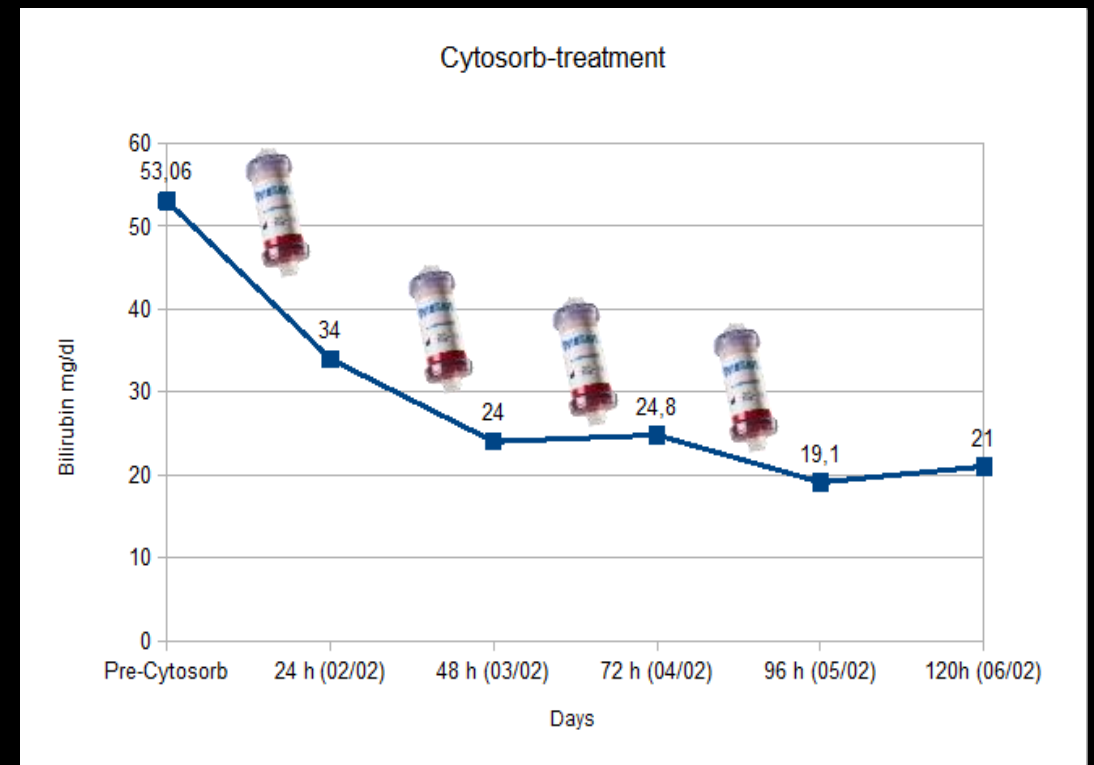
### 1. First Liver Transplantation from a NHBD donor. Post-reperfusion injury:

- High need of noradrenaline and adrenaline;
- Severe metabolic acidosis;
- Hyperlactatemia;
- Hypernatremia;
- Acute Renal Failure.

### 2. Second Liver Transplantation after PNG of the first graft.

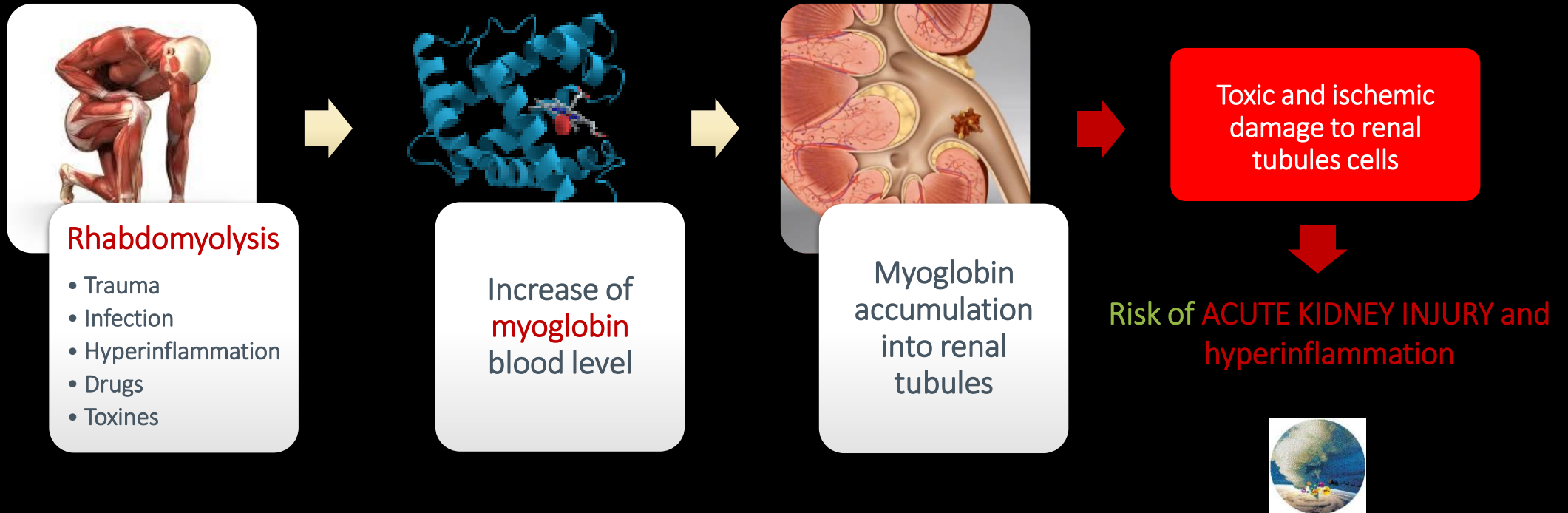
- Acute renal failure
- Cytolysis (Myoglobin=23.118 ng/ml, CK=12.508 u/l)
- Hyperbilirubinemia (Bilirubina=53,06 mg/dl)
- Severe Sepsis (Enterobacter Cloache, PCT=70 ng/ml, PCR=11 mg/dl, GB=22000 )

CVVHDF + 4  
CytoSorb for  
96 hours



- Normalization of Bilirubin level
- Functional recovery of the graft
- Dismission of the patient from ICU
- No more need of inotropes after 2nd treatment
- Dramatic Reduction of Bilirubin
- Normalization of Mioglobin level

# Adsorption with CytoSorb in rhabdomyolysis



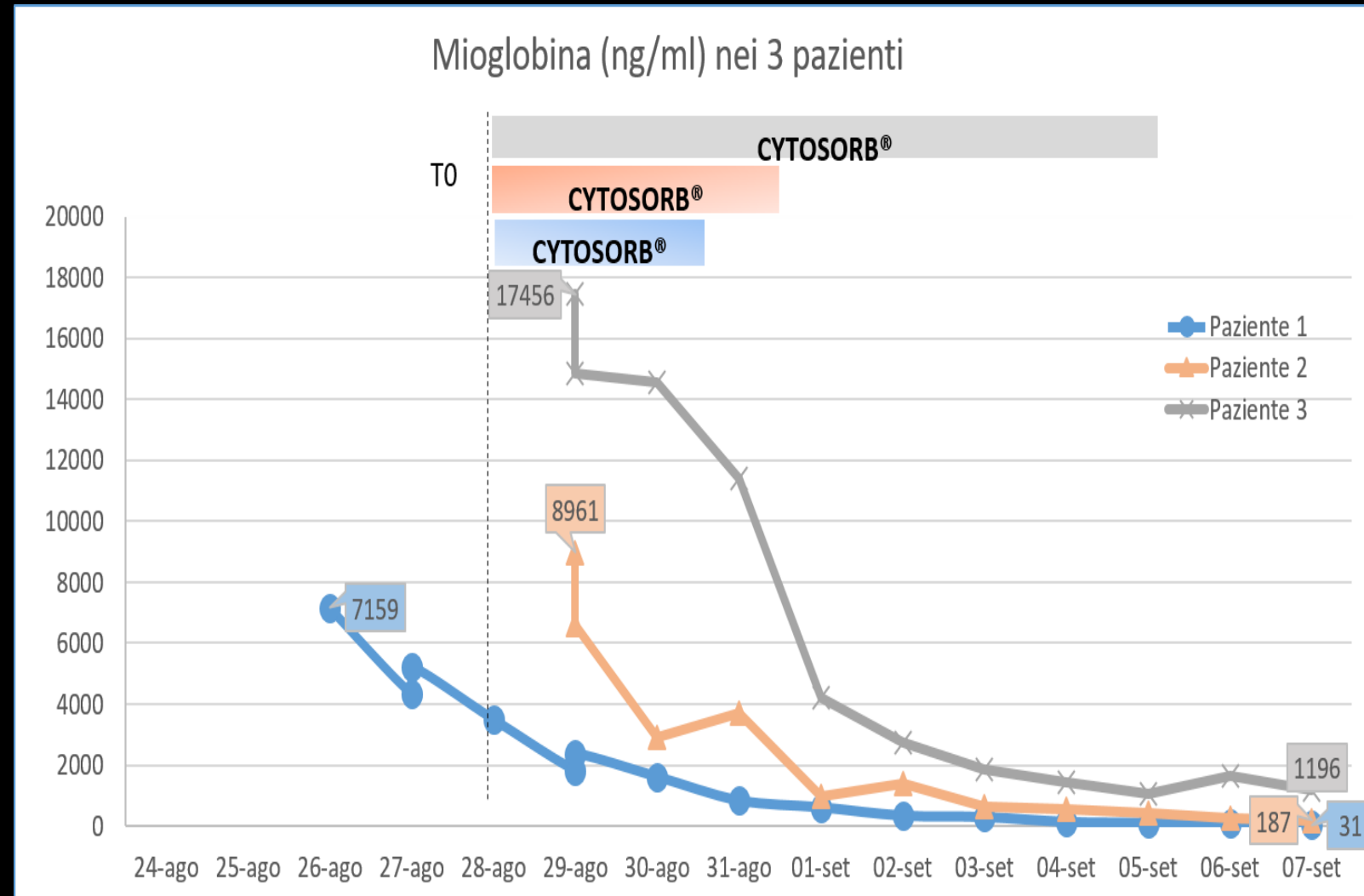
Early CytoSorb treatment helps preventing or facilitating renal function recovery thanks to the adsorption of myoglobin and muscle damage enzymes

## NUOVO TRATTAMENTO DELLA RABDOMIOLISI CON SEVERA IRA IN PAZIENTI COINVOLTI NEL TERREMOTO DEL CENTRO -ITALIA: LA NOSTRA ESPERIENZA.

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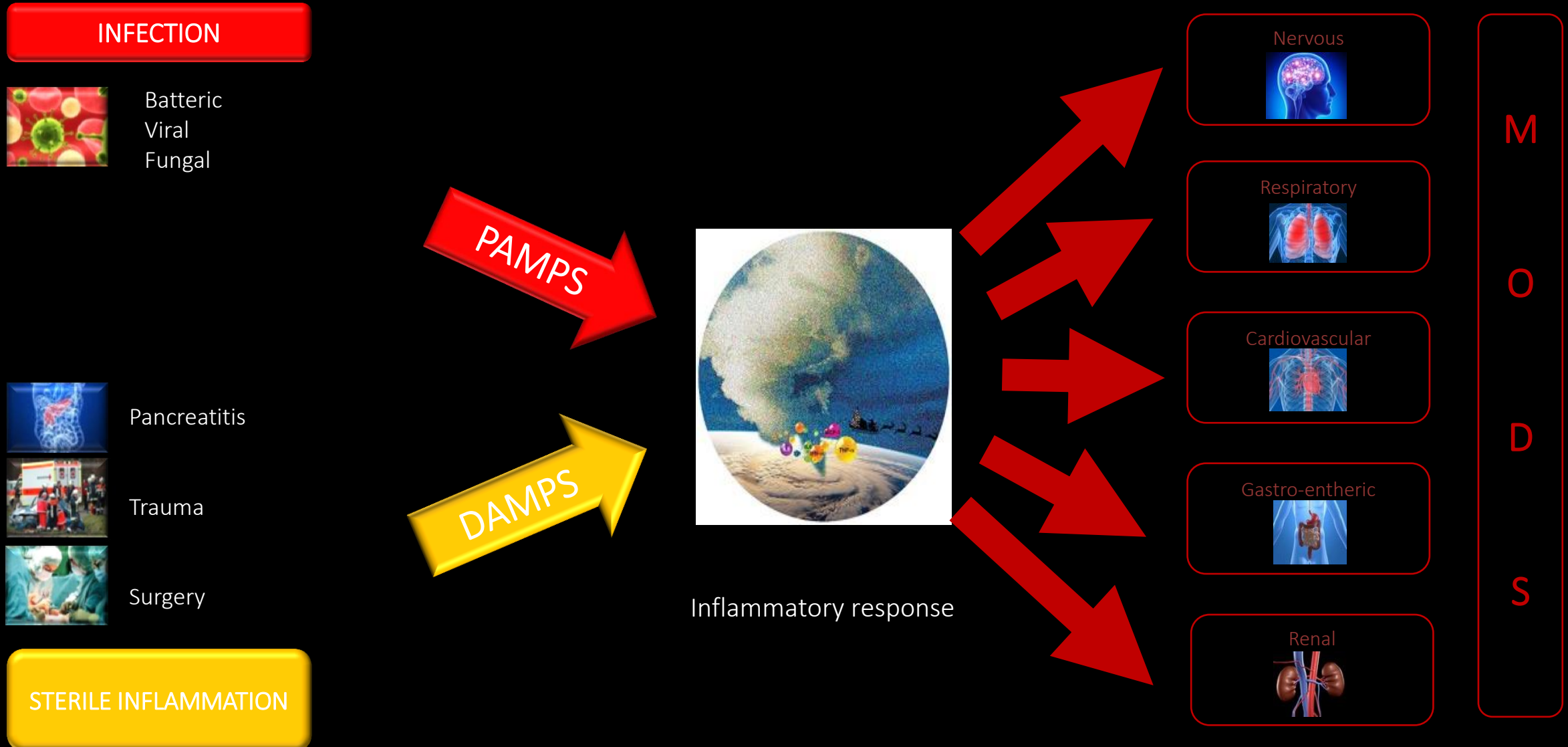
- 3 patients with crush syndrome after middle-Italy earthquake
- At admission, high values of hematocrit, potassium, creatinin and muscle-damage markers. Low albumin level
- Myoglobin  $\gg$  12.000 (over the measurable limit)
- All 3 patients underwent CRRT with HCO filters without any improvement
- Then CytoSorb therapy was initiated



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# Adsorption with CytoSorb in septic patients





# Triggers of the septic cascade

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**PAMPs**

*Pathogen Associated Molecular Pathways*

Pathogen-derived

- Endotoxin
- Lipoteichoic acid
- Lipoproteins
- Peptidoglycans
- Bacterial DNA
- Et cet

**DAMPs**

*Danger Associated Molecular Pathways  
or Damage Associated Molecular Pathways  
(and also known as alarmins)*

Host-derived

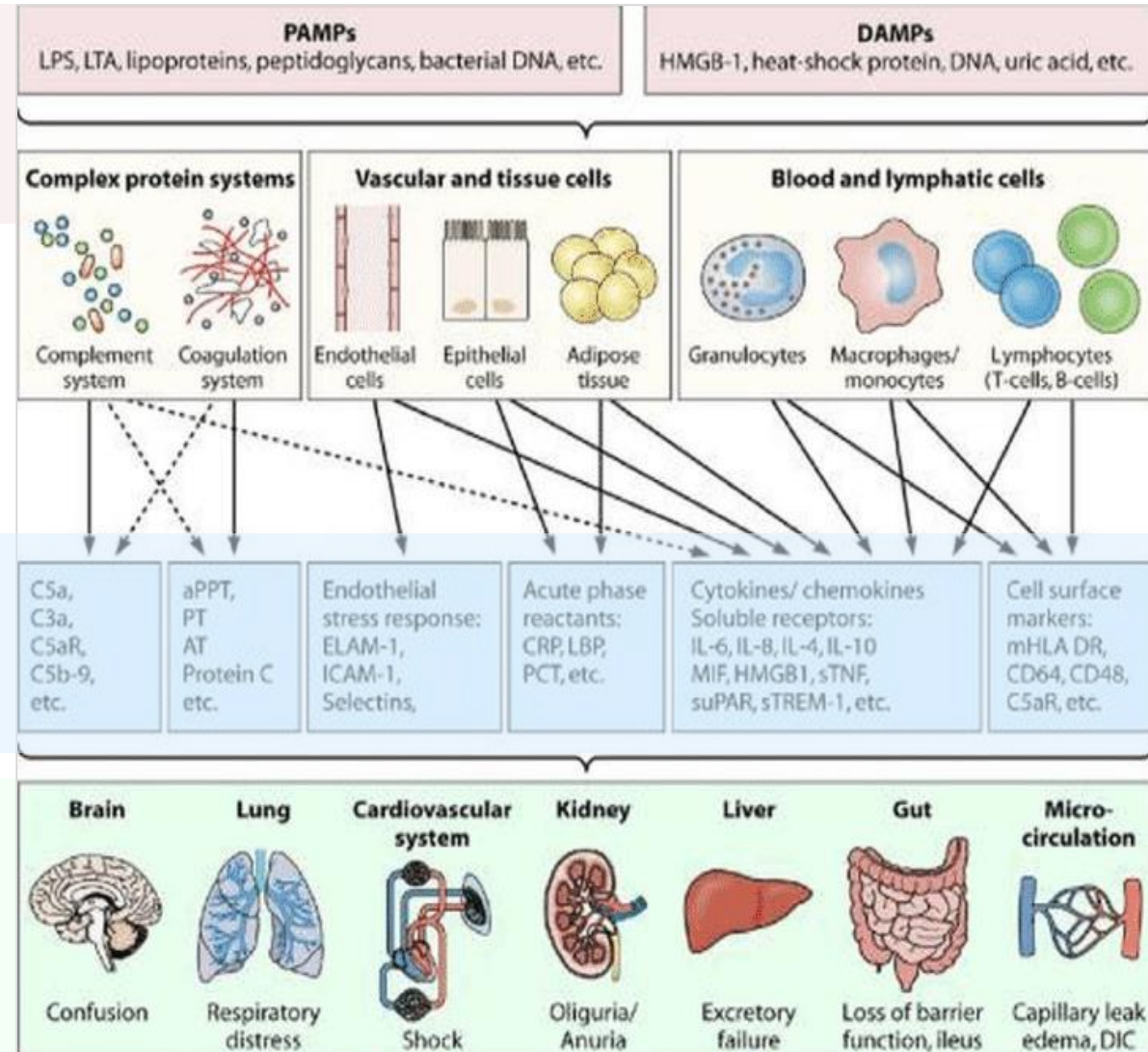
- HMGB-1
- Heat shock proteins
- s100 protein
- Serum amyloid A
- Uric acid
- ATP, DNA
- Formyl peptides
- IL-1 $\alpha$ , IL-18, etc.



# Sepsi e Shock Settico

**PAMPs:** Molecole pro-infiammatorie esposte o prodotte dai patogeni

**DAMPs:** Molecole endogene pro-infiammatorie prodotte o rilasciate dalle cellule danneggiate

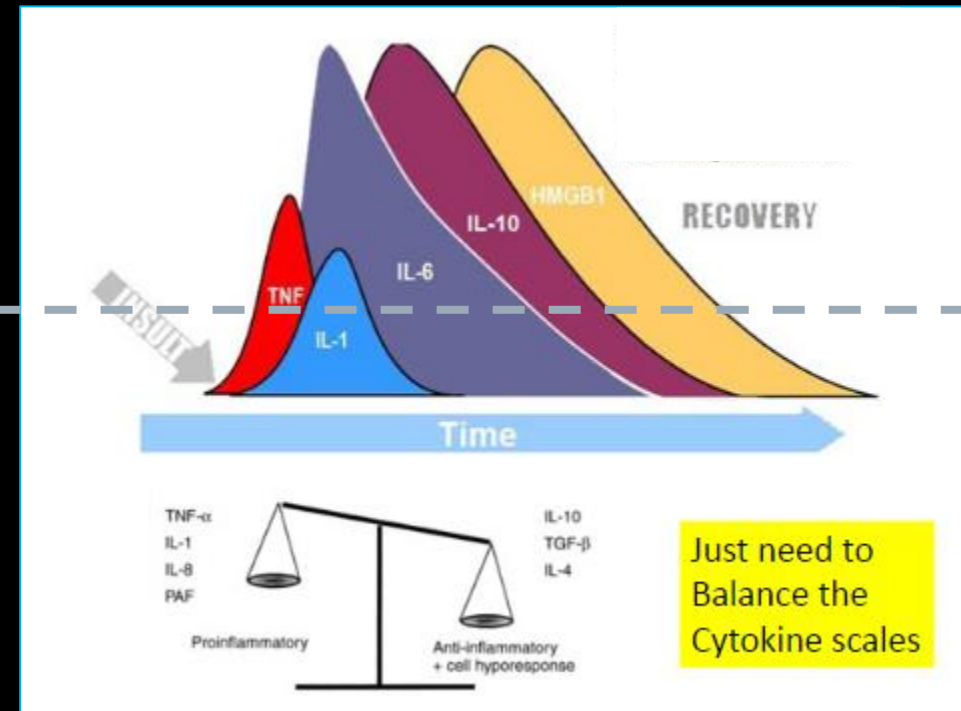


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## The rationale of cytokines adsorption

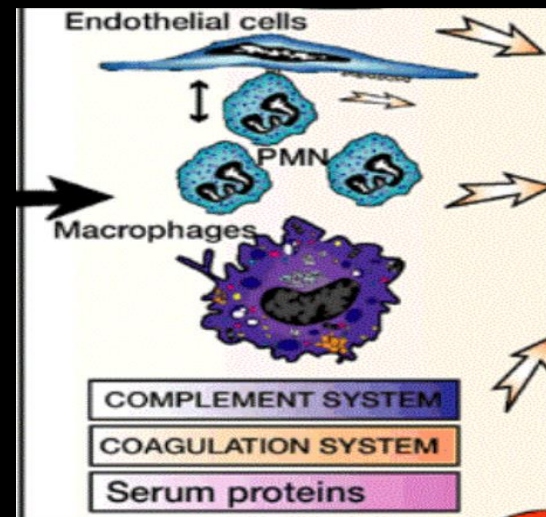
➤ Modulation of cytokine storm in order to facilitate organ recovery

- Decrease of leucocytes-associated inflammatory response
- Reduction of hyperinflammation
- Improvement of microcirculation and hemodynamics



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# Broad adsorption of sepsis-related PAMP and DAMP molecules, mycotoxins, and cytokines from whole blood using CytoSorb® sorbent porous polymer beads

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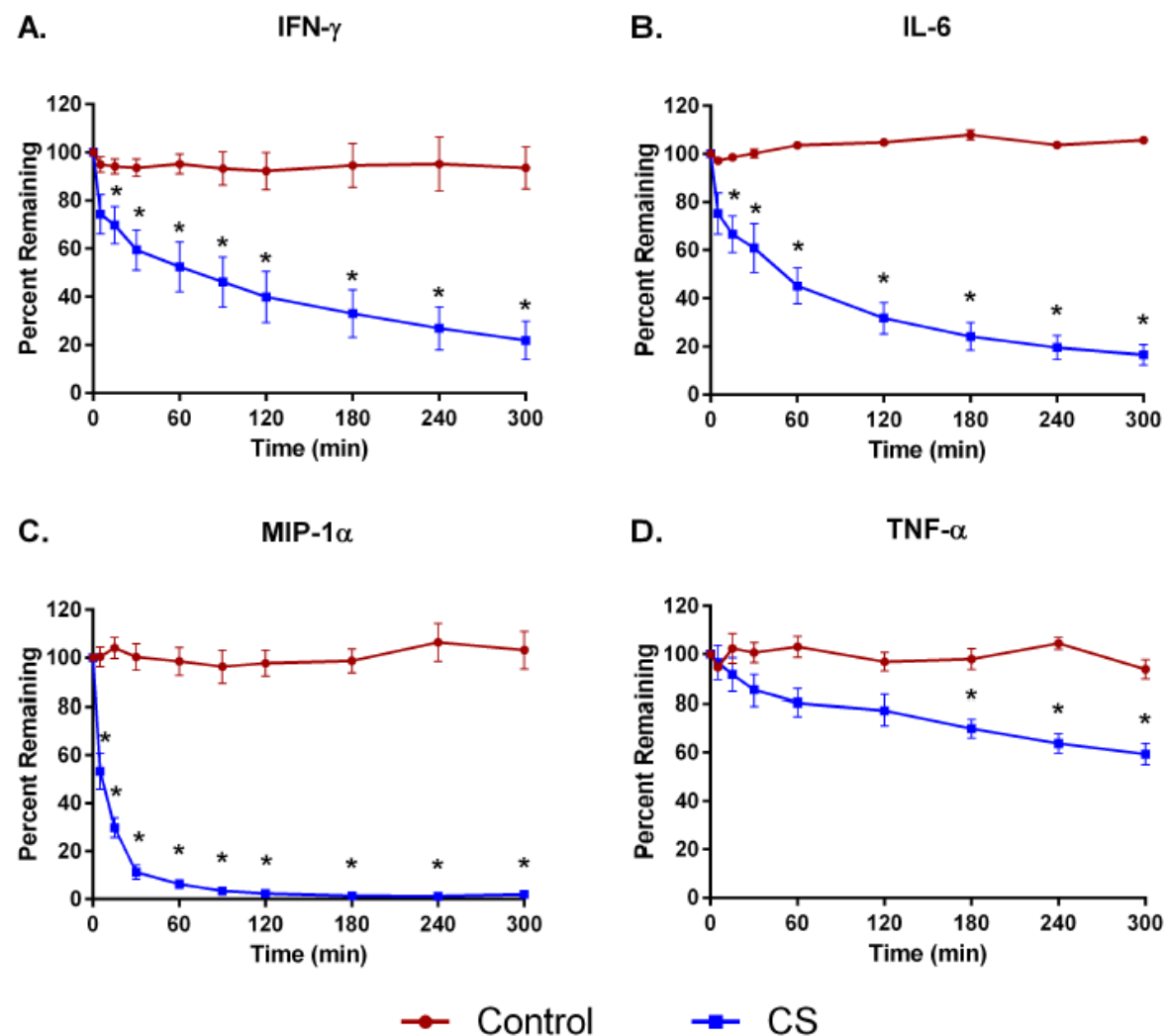


Fig 1. Adsorption of cytokines from whole blood with CS hemoadsorbent polymer beads or a control (no polymer) device. Percent remaining from the mean  $\pm$  SEM of 4 runs. \*  $p < 0.05$ .

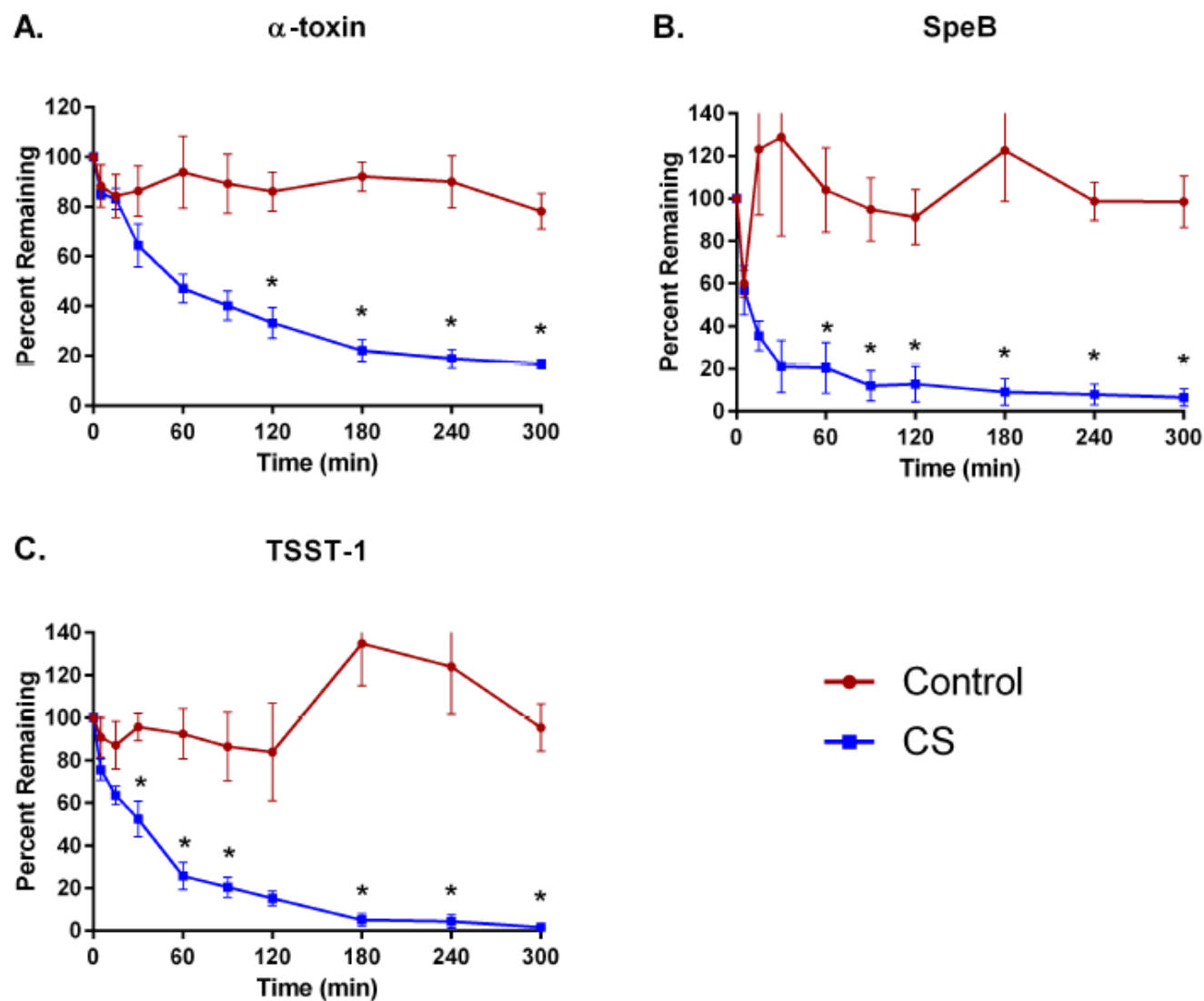


Fig 3. Adsorption of bacterial PAMPs with CS hemoadsorbent polymer beads or a control (no polymer) device from whole blood spiked with *S. pyogenes* exotoxin B, *Staph* TSST-1 or serum with *Staph aureus* alpha-toxin. Percent remaining from the mean  $\pm$  SEM of 4 runs. \*  $p < 0.05$ .

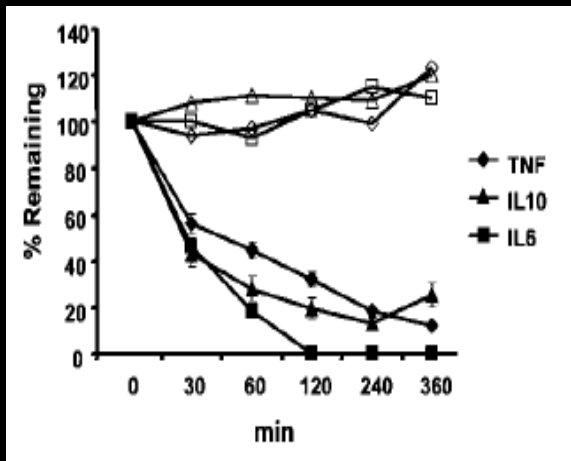


# Adsorption with CytoSorb in experimental sepsis

- Adsorption of cytokines, PAMPS and DAMPS
- Several in-vitro and in-animal studies

Hemoadsorption removes tumor necrosis factor, interleukin-6, and interleukin-10, reduces nuclear factor- $\kappa$ B DNA binding, and improves short-term survival in lethal endotoxemia\*

John A. Kellum, MD, FCCM; Mingchen Song, MD, PhD; Ramesh Venkataraman, MD



ments, we studied 12 animals using the same protocol except that we killed all animals at 4 hrs and removed standardized sections of liver for analysis of nuclear factor- $\kappa$ B DNA binding.

**Measurements and Main Results:** Mean survival time among hemoadsorption-treated animals was  $629 \pm 114$  vs.  $518 \pm 120$  mins for sham-treated animals ( $p < .01$ ). Overall survival (defined at 12 hrs) was also significantly better in the hemoadsorption group, seven of 20 vs. one of 20 ( $p < .05$ ). Plasma interleukin-6 and interleukin-10 concentrations and liver nuclear factor- $\kappa$ B DNA binding were significantly reduced by hemoadsorption. *Ex vivo* experiments showed no endotoxin adsorption but strengthened our *in vivo* observations by showing rapid adsorption of tumor necrosis factor, interleukin-6, and interleukin-10.

**Conclusions:** Hemoadsorption was associated with reduced inflammation and improved survival in this murine model of septic shock. (Crit Care Med 2004; 32:801–805)

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# CytoSorb in septic patients: latest scientific results

## Effects of hemoadsorption on cytokine removal and short-term survival in septic rats

Zhi-Yong Peng, MD, PhD; Melinda J. Carter, BS; John A. Kellum, MD, FCCM

### Case Report

## Cytokine Reduction in the Setting of an ARDS-Associated Inflammatory Response with Multiple Organ Failure

Karl Träger,<sup>1</sup> Christian Schütz,<sup>1</sup> Günther Fischer,<sup>1</sup> Janpeter Schröder,<sup>1</sup> Christian Skrabal,<sup>2</sup> Andreas Liebold,<sup>2</sup> and Helmut Reinelt<sup>1</sup>

## Septic shock secondary to $\beta$ -hemolytic streptococcus-induced necrotizing fasciitis treated with a novel cytokine adsorption therapy

Hubert Hetz,<sup>1</sup> Reinhard Berger,<sup>1</sup> Peter Recknagel,<sup>1</sup> Heinz Steltzer<sup>1</sup>

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Herzchirurgische Klinik und Poliklinik  
an der LMU München Campus Großhadern  
Herzchirurgische Klinik  
(Direktor: Prof. Dr. med. Christian Hagl)

## Systemic Inflammatory Response Syndrome in Heart Surgery: New possibilities for treatment through the use of a cytokine adsorber during ECC?

## UK SH A multicenter randomized controlled study of an extracorporeal cytokine hemoadsorption device in septic patients

D. Schädlér,<sup>1</sup> C. Porzelius,<sup>2</sup> A. Jöres,<sup>3</sup> G. Marx,<sup>4</sup> A. Meier-Hellmann,<sup>5</sup> C. Putensen,<sup>6</sup> M. Quintel,<sup>7</sup> C. Spies,<sup>8</sup> C. Engel,<sup>9</sup> N. Weiler,<sup>10</sup> M. Kuhlmann<sup>11</sup>

### Neurologic Critical Care

## Feasibility study of cytokine removal by hemoadsorption in brain-dead humans\*

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SHORT COMMUNICATION

**First report of cytokine removal using CytoSorb® in severe noninfectious inflammatory syndrome after liver transplantation**

Diana M. Torrealba<sup>1,2</sup>, Vanessa Oliveira<sup>1,2</sup>, Dorinda Ungermann<sup>1</sup>, Mihai Popescu<sup>1</sup>, Dan Tullone<sup>1,2</sup>, Israel Popescu<sup>1,2</sup>

**Observations in early vs. late use of CytoSorb® haemadsorption therapy in critically ill patients**

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**Treatment of post-cardiopulmonary bypass SIRS by hemoadsorption: a case series**

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**Critical Care**

**LETTER** Open Access

**Hybrid blood purification strategy in pediatric septic shock**

Caterina Bonatti<sup>1,2</sup>, Fabio Sclavi<sup>1</sup>, Lecomte<sup>3</sup> and Andrea Moscatelli<sup>1</sup>

**CASE REPORT** Open Access

**Effect of extracorporeal cytokine removal on vascular barrier function in a septic shock patient**

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| CytoSorbents study ID | Category                              | Country | Site  | Patient No. | Status            |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|---------|---|-------------|-------------------|
| S20.122-1             | Sepsis / ARDS                         | Germany | 10 centers, lead: Minkum Berlin Friedrichshagen | 100         | publication phase |
| S20.122-2             | Sepsis                                | Germany | 8 centers, lead: Göttingen University           | 50          | publication phase |
| S20.112-1             | Pancreatitis                          | Germany | Munich Technical University, Weiden hospital    | 30          | recruiting        |
| S10.222-1             | Cardiopulmonary bypass intraoperative | USA     | 8 sites   | 58          | recruiting        |
| S20.112-1             | Septic shock                          | UK      | coordinating center: University College London  | 100         | in preparation    |

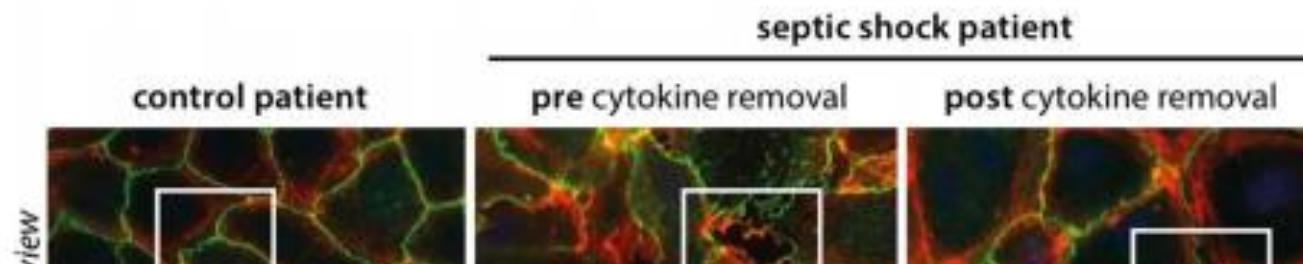
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| S20.111-2             | Septic shock                                      | Hungary | Szeged University                        | 20          | recruiting        |
| S40.291-1             | Rheumatology in Intensive                         | US      | San Antonio Military Medical Center      | 30          | recruiting        |
| S10.111-2             | Cardiopulmonary bypass intraoperative             | Germany | Hamburg University                       | 40          | data analysis     |
| S10.111-3             | Cardiopulmonary bypass intraoperative             | Austria | Vienna University                        | 40          | published         |
| S10.111-1             | Cardiopulmonary bypass intraoperative             | Germany | Cologne University                       | 300         | recruiting        |
| S10.111-5             | Cardiopulmonary bypass intraoperative             | Germany | Bodum University                         | 40          | recruiting        |
| S10.111-4             | Cardiopulmonary bypass postoperative              | Germany | Rostock University                       | 10          | recruiting        |
| S10.111-7             | Cardiopulmonary bypass intraoperative             | Germany | Nuremberg hospital                       | 40          | in preparation    |
| S50.111-1             | Influence on antibiotic/immunosuppressive therapy | Germany | Rostock University, Fraunhofer Institute | lab test    | ongoing           |
| S20.111-3             | Septic shock/influence on antibiotic therapy      | Germany | Munich University                        | 20          | recruiting        |
| S30.111-1             | Pancreatitis                                      | Hungary | Debrecen University                      | 24          | recruiting        |
| S20.111-5             | Septic shock                                      | Germany | Munich Technical University              | 124         | recruiting        |
| S20.111-4             | Septic shock / influence on antibiotic therapy    | Germany | Düsseldorf University                    | 30          | recruiting        |



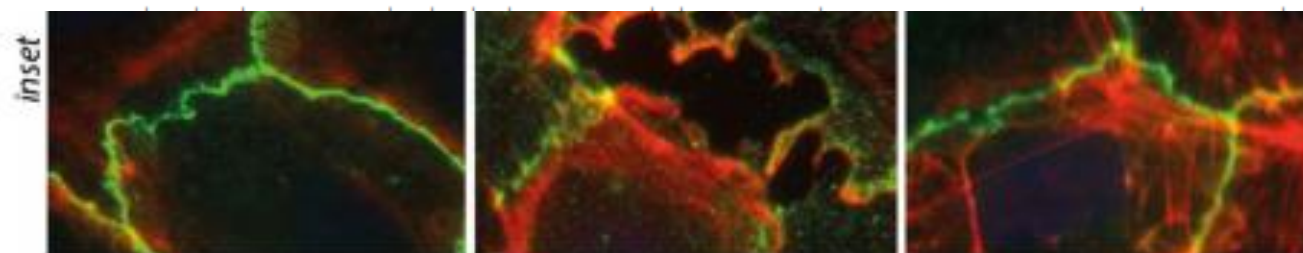
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➤ Cytokines effect on endothelium



**Conclusions:** Beneficial observations of extracorporeal cytokine removal in septic shock patients might—at least in part—be promoted via protection of vascular barrier function.



**Fig. 1** Endothelial phenotype with respect to barrier function. Fluorescence immunocytochemistry staining for vascular endothelial (VE)-cadherin (green), F-actin (red), was performed on confluent human umbilical vein endothelial cells (HUVECs) as described before [5]. Cells were treated for 30 min with media supplemented with 5% serum from an individual with septic shock before (2nd row) and after cytokine removal (3rd row); 5% healthy human serum served as a control (1st row). Scale bar 10  $\mu$ m

# Clinical Utility of Extracorporeal Cytokine Hemoadsorption Therapy: A Literature Review

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## In-Depth Review

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**Table 1.** Literature summary of clinical reports relating to CytoSorb therapy in peer-reviewed and indexed medical journals

| Authors                | Disease or surgery                                | Number of Patients | Study type                                 | Outcome   |  | Control group (yes/no) | Comments  |
|------------------------|---|--------------------|--|---|--|------------------------|---|
|                        |   |                    |  | primary   | secondary  |                        |   |
| Kogelmann et al. [83]  | Sepsis with need for renal replacement therapy    | 26                 | Case series                                | Vasopressor requirement   | Hospital mortality and blood lactate levels  | No                     | Decreased catecholamine demand, predicted mortality (APACHE II), and lactate levels. No increased adverse effects   |
| Friesecke et al. [104] | Refractory septic shock                           | 20                 | Prospective single-center cohort           | NE requirement after 6 and 12 h of CytoSorb   | SOFA score, resolution of shock, and lactate clearance   | No                     | Decrease in NE requirement and serum lactate. Improved mortality compared to predicted  |
| Schadler et al. [107]  | Sepsis or septic shock with ARDS                  | 97                 | Randomized, controlled multicenter trial   | Plasma IL-6 levels  | Multiple organ dysfunction score, entilation time, time course of excretion  | Yes                    | No significant difference in primary and secondary outcomes   |
| Nemeth et al. [134]    | Orthotopic heart transplant                       | 84                 | Prospective, observational                 | Hemodynamic stability, vasopressor demand (48 h post-operatively), and post-operative inflammatory response (CRP and PCT) | Volume of postoperative bleeding, rate of reoperation, need for blood products (first 24 h post-operatively), need for postoperative RRT | Yes                    | Significantly decreased vasopressor demand and less frequent RRT with CytoSorb. No difference in inflammatory response. No increased adverse events   |
| Bernardi et al. [106]  | CPB surgery                                       | 37                 | Randomized, single-center controlled trial | Serum IL-1 $\beta$ , IL-6, IL-18, TNF- $\alpha$ , and IL-10 levels during first 5 days post-operatively                   | Measurement of other inflammatory markers, 30-day mortality  | Yes                    | No reduction in proinflammatory response or mortality following treatment. Strong inter-individual response to CytoSorb, suggesting some patients may have exaggerated inflammatory responses |
| Träger et al. [136]    | CPB surgery complicated by infective endocarditis | 39                 | Case series                                | Serum IL-6 and IL-8, vasopressor dose, MAP, lactate levels, and need for post-operative support                           | Postoperative and 24-h post-operative APACHE II score, and intensive care and hospital length of stay                                    | Yes                    | Reduction in serum IL-6, IL-8, and lactate levels. Improvement in hemodynamic stability following CytoSorb compared to control.   |
| Träger et al. [105]    | CPB surgery complicated by SIRS                   | 16                 | Case series                                | Not applicable  | Not applicable   | No                     | Overall reduction in cytokine levels and improvement in hemodynamic stability and organ function. No increased adverse effects  |

MAP, mean arterial pressure; NE, norepinephrine; PCT, procakitonin; CPB, cardiopulmonary bypass.



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# Hemoadsorption by CytoSorb in septic patients: a case series

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**Table 1** Patient characteristics, treatment modalities, clinical parameters and patient outcome

| Case number | Sex | Age | Source | APACHE II | Abx            | CytoSorb treatments (n) | Delay (h) | Cat-free days | Details on renal outcome/recovery on ICU | CRRT (days) | Ventilation (days) | Hospital stay (days) | ICU stay (days) | Predicted mortality | 28-Day mortality | ICU mortality | Hospital mortality |
|-------------|-----|-----|--------|-----------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|---------------|--|-------------|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| 1           | M   | 76  | Abd    | 45        | Mero-Line-Cas  | 5                       | 24        | 0             | Non-recovery                             | 15          | 17                 | 17                   | 17              | 97.5                | Yes              | Yes           | Yes                |
| 2           | M   | 58  | Abd    | 48        | Pip/T          | 3                       | 24        | 7             | Non-recovery                             | 16          | 51                 | 51                   | 50              | 98.4                | No               | Yes           | Yes                |
| 3           | F   | 35  | Abd    | 27        | Pip/T-Clinda   | 2                       | 24        | 28            | Recovery                                 | 3           | 36                 | 43                   | 41              | 73.7                | No               | No            | No                 |
| 4           | M   | 41  | Abd    | 39        | Mero-Fosfo     | 3                       | 24        | 25            | Recovery                                 | 13          | 27                 | 36                   | 36              | 94.2                | No               | No            | No                 |
| 5           | F   | 58  | Abd    | 27        | Cefta-Levo     | 2                       | 24        | 1             | Non-recovery                             | 2           | 3                  | 4                    | 4               | 73.7                | Yes              | Yes           | Yes                |
| 6           | M   | 75  | Abd    | 37        | Mero-Cas       | 3                       | 24        | 0             | Non-recovery                             | 4           | 4                  | 11                   | 4               | 92.3                | Yes              | Yes           | Yes                |
| 7           | M   | 65  | Abd    | 45        | Mero           | 1                       | 24        | 15            | Non-recovery                             | 3           | 3                  | 18                   | 18              | 97.5                | Yes              | Yes           | Yes                |
| 8           | M   | 54  | Abd    | 37        | Mero           | 4                       | 24        | 1             | Recovery                                 | 6           | 19                 | 20                   | 20              | 92.3                | Yes              | Yes           | Yes                |
| 9           | M   | 56  | Abd    | 29        | Pip/T-Clinda   | 3                       | 36        | 3             | Non-recovery                             | 5           | 16                 | 15                   | 15              | 78.9                | Yes              | Yes           | Yes                |
| 10          | F   | 51  | Abd    | 32        | Levo-Cefta-Cas | 1                       | 48        | 0             | Non-recovery                             | 1           | 10                 | 10                   | 10              | 85.3                | Yes              | Yes           | Yes                |
| 11          | F   | 49  | Abd    | 29        | Mero-Line-Cas  | 3                       | 48        | 18            | Recovery                                 | 3           | 27                 | 138                  | 33              | 78.9                | No               | No            | Yes                |
| 12          | M   | 63  | Abd    | 48        | Cefta-Line-Cas | 1                       | 96        | 6             | Non-recovery                             | 3           | 14                 | 14                   | 14              | 98.4                | Yes              | Yes           | Yes                |
| 13          | M   | 72  | Abd    | 34        | Pip/T          | 2                       | 72        | 4             | Non-recovery                             | 3           | 4                  | 14                   | 5               | 88.6                | Yes              | Yes           | Yes                |
| 14          | M   | 74  | Pneu   | 33        | Mero           | 5                       | 24        | 0             | Recovery                                 | 14          | 28                 | 40                   | 40              | 87                  | No               | Yes           | Yes                |
| 15          | M   | 65  | Pneu   | 33        | Pip/T          | 3                       | 24        | 0             | Non-recovery                             | 3           | 4                  | 6                    | 6               | 87                  | Yes              | Yes           | Yes                |
| 16          | M   | 64  | Pneu   | 56        | Pip/T          | 3                       | 24        | 31            | Recovery                                 | 11          | 37                 | 40                   | 40              | 99.5                | No               | No            | No                 |
| 17          | M   | 17  | Pneu   | 29        | Cefta-Clon     | 2                       | 24        | 0             | Unknown                                  | 2           | 2                  | 2                    | 2               | 78.9                | No               | No            | No                 |
| 18          | F   | 72  | Pneu   | 40        | Pip/T-Ery      | 1                       | 24        | 0             | Non-recovery                             | 1           | 1                  | 1                    | 1               | 94.9                | Yes              | Yes           | Yes                |
| 19          | M   | 58  | Pneu   | 27        | Pip/T-Ery      | 2                       | 48        | 13            | Chronic                                  | 9           | 16                 | 43                   | 21              | 73.7                | Yes              | Yes           | Yes                |
| 20          | F   | 79  | Pneu   | 27        | Pip/T-Ery-Cas  | 3                       | 48        | 30            | Recovery                                 | 20          | 34                 | 46                   | 40              | 73.7                | No               | No            | No                 |
| 21          | M   | 62  | Pneu   | 33        | Mero-Line      | 3                       | 48        | 2             | Non-recovery                             | 14          | 18                 | 20                   | 20              | 87                  | Yes              | Yes           | Yes                |
| 22          | M   | 62  | Pneu   | 54        | Pip/T-Clinda   | 3                       | 48        | -             | Recovery                                 | 19          | 33                 | 35                   | 35              | 99.3                | No               | Yes           | Yes                |
| 23          | F   | 53  | Pneu   | 33        | Pip/t-Ery      | 2                       | 36        | 1             | Non-recovery                             | 3           | 3                  | 4                    | 4               | 87                  | Yes              | Yes           | Yes                |
| 24          | M   | 64  | Pneu   | 36        | Mero           | 3                       | 120       | 47            | Recovery                                 | 16          | 45                 | 88                   | 72              | 91.2                | No               | No            | Yes                |
| 25          | M   | 43  | Pneu   | 52        | Pip/T-Ery-Cas  | 2                       | 120       | 0             | Chronic                                  | 3           | 12                 | 12                   | 12              | 99.1                | Yes              | Yes           | Yes                |
| 26          | M   | 46  | Pneu   | 44        | Pip/T          | 3                       | 50        | 0             | Non-recovery                             | 7           | 7                  | 7                    | 7               | 97.1                | Yes              | Yes           | Yes                |

M male, F female, Cat-free catecholamine-free, CRRT continuous renal replacement therapy, Abd abdominal focus, Pneu pneumonia, Cefta Ceftazidim, Mero Meropenem, Pip/T Piperacillin/Taz, Clinda Clindamycin, Ery Erythromycin, Fosfo Fosfomycin, Cas Caspofungin, Line Linezolid, Levo Levofloxacin, Tyge Tigecycline

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- 26 patients in septic shock in need of RRT.
- Amines and lactate reduction after 72h since the start of the therapy.
- Increase of survival rate in patient treated early within 24h since septic shock diagnosis, compared to expected mortality.

**Table 3** Association between delay in start of therapy and mortality (i.e. predicted mortality, 28-day, ICU, and hospital mortality) in the overall patient population and in post-surgical and medical patients

|                           |                         | Predicted mortality | 28-Day mortality | ICU mortality | Hospital mortality |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| Delay in starting therapy | <24 h (n = 13)          | 92.3                | 53.8             | 69.2          | 69.2               |
|                           | <48 h (n = 8)           | 82.1                | 62.5             | 75.0          | 87.5               |
|                           | >48 h (n = 5)           | 97.1                | 80.0             | 80.0          | 100.0              |
| Focus                     | Abdominal/post-surgical | 92.3                | 69.2             | 76.9          | 84.6               |
|                           | Pneumonic/medical       | 87.0                | 53.8             | 69.2          | 76.9               |

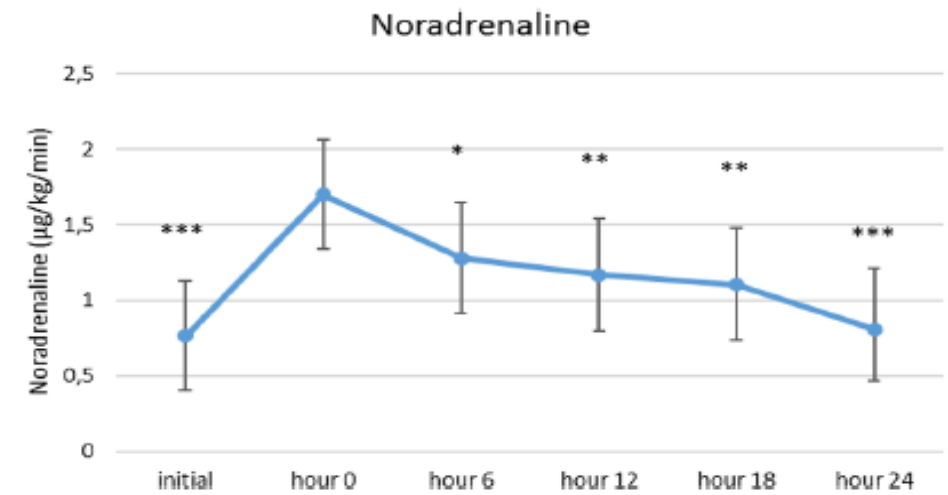
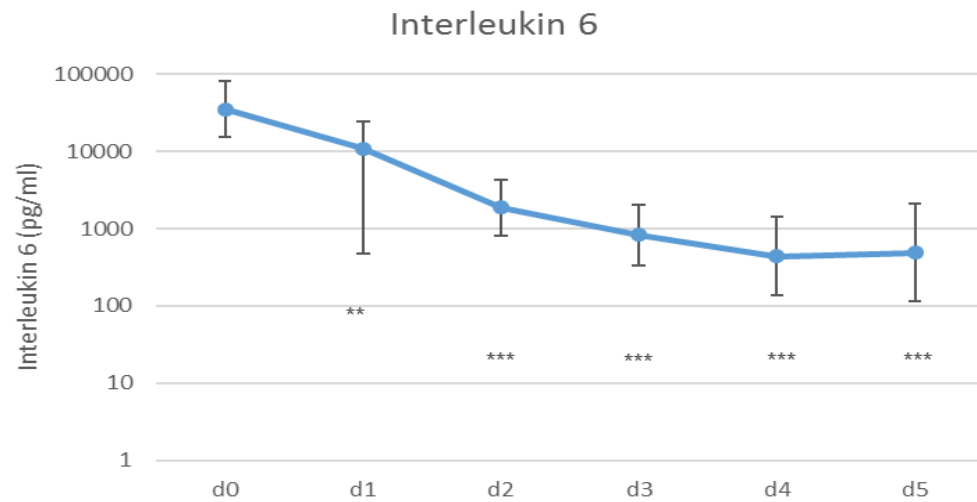
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# Extracorporeal cytokine elimination as rescue therapy in refractory septic shock: a prospective single-center study

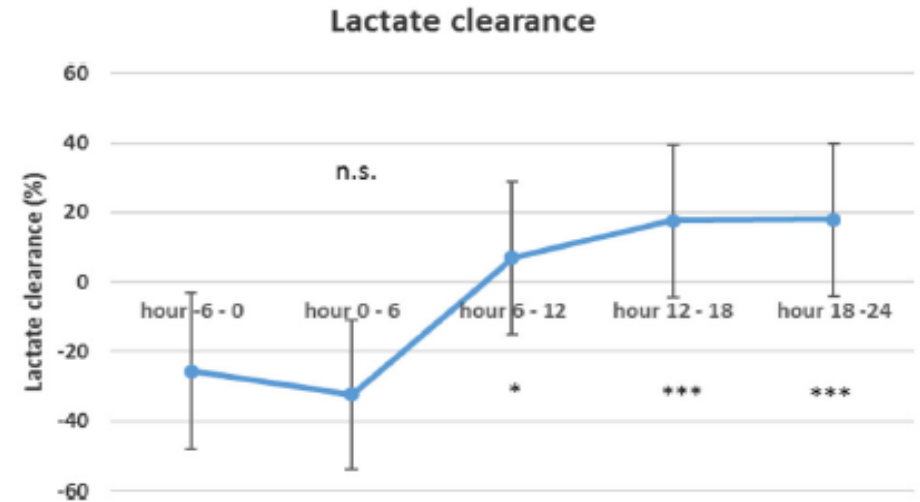
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- Single centre prospective study
- Refractory septic shock :
  - High lactate level > 2,8 mmol/L
  - High dosage of amines > 0,3 µg/kg/min
- **SOFA-Score (14,3±3)**
  - Early application of CytoSorb + CRRT: after 7.8 ± 3.7 h (mean) since septic shock diagnosis
  - 3 CytoSorb (mean) for each patient
  - CytoSorb change every 12-24 h

- Significant reduction of vasopressor dose after 6 hours, since the beginning of the treatment
- High lactate clearance after 6 hours
- Significant reduction of IL-6 after 24h since the beginning of the treatment.
- Shock reversal in 65% patients



**Fig. 1** Noradrenaline dose before and during treatment with CytoSorb®. Values are shown as means with 95% CIs. Difference vs. “hour 0” (CytoSorb® start): \* $p < 0.05$ , \*\* $p < 0.01$ , \*\*\* $p < 0.001$ . Initial and start  $n = 20$ , hour 6, 12 and 18  $n = 19$ , hour 24  $n = 18$



**Fig. 2** Lactate clearance before and during treatment with CytoSorb®. Values are shown as means with 95% CIs. Difference vs. “hour -6 - 0” (6 h before CytoSorb® start): \* $p < 0.05$ , \*\*\* $p < 0.001$ , n.s. not significant

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## Methods

This was a randomized, controlled, open-label, multicenter trial. Mechanically ventilated patients with severe sepsis or septic shock and acute lung injury or acute respiratory distress syndrome were eligible for study inclusion. Patients were randomly assigned to either therapy with CytoSorb hemoperfusion for 6 hours per day for up to 7 consecutive days (treatment), or no hemoperfusion (control). Primary outcome was change in normalized IL-6-serum concentrations during study day 1 and 7.



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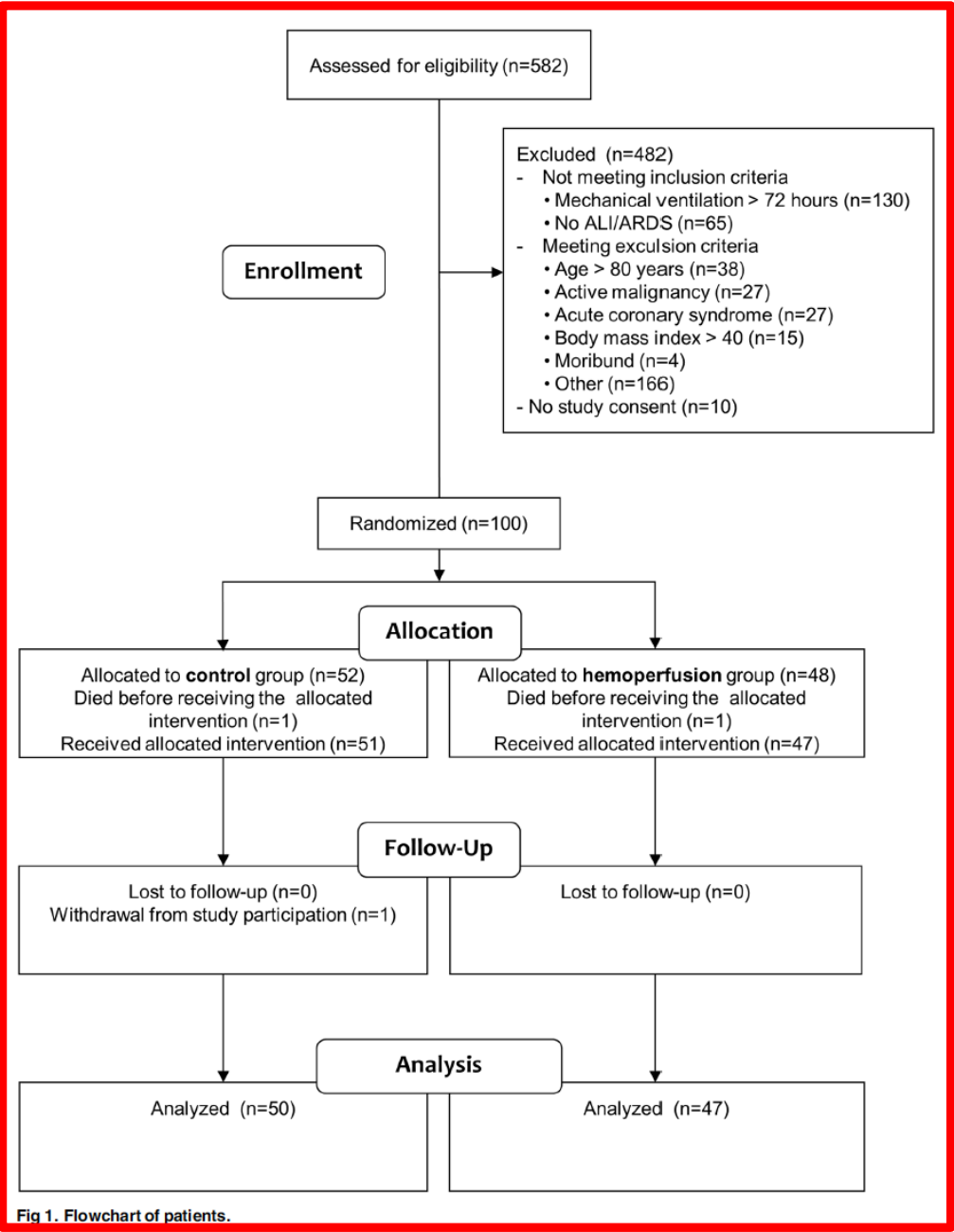


Fig 1. Flowchart of patients.

**Table 1. Demographic data and baseline characteristics of all studied patients.**

| Variable                             | Treatment group (n = 47) | Control group (n = 50) |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Age [years]                          | 66.0 [55–73]             | 65 [56.5–71]           |
| Male gender, no. (%)                 | 35 (74.5%)               | 35 (70%)               |
| Weight [kg]                          | 77.8±13.7                | 84.5±17.9              |
| Height [cm]                          | 171.9±8.3                | 171.8±8.3              |
| Body mass index [kg/m <sup>2</sup> ] | 26.4±4.6                 | 28.5±5.2               |
| APACHE II score *                    | 24.6±5.2                 | 23.8±5.7               |
| Renal replacement therapy, no. (%)   | 15 (31.9%)               | 8 (16.3%)              |
| Diabetes mellitus, no. (%)           | 17 (36.2)                | 19 (38.8%)             |
| White blood cell count (1/μl)        | 13.4 [8.6–18.1]          | 16.2 [12.4–21.3]       |
| Creatinine (mg/dl)                   | 1.7 [0.9–2.1]            | 1.9 [1.1–3.0]          |
| Albumin (g/dl)                       | 1.9 [1.5–2.4]            | 2.1 [1.8–2.2]          |
| Total protein (g/l)                  | 4.5 [4.0–5.1]            | 4.7 [4.3–5.1]          |
| <b>Lung injury category</b>          |                          |                        |
| Sepsis                               |                          |                        |
| Primary, no. (%)                     | 17 (36.2%)               | 13 (26.0%)             |
| Secondary, no. (%)                   | 30 (63.8%)               | 37 (74.0%)             |
| Trauma                               |                          |                        |
| Primary, no. (%)                     | 3 (6.7%)                 | 3 (6.1%)               |
| Secondary, no. (%)                   | 1 (2.2%)                 | 0 (0.0%)               |
| Aspiration                           |                          |                        |
| Primary, no. (%)                     | 3 (6.5%)                 | 6 (12.2%)              |
| Secondary, no. (%)                   | 0 (0.0%)                 | 3 (6.1%)               |
| Multiple transfusion                 |                          |                        |
| Primary, no. (%)                     | 0 (0.0%)                 | 3 (6.2%)               |
| Secondary, no. (%)                   | 5 (11.1%)                | 2 (4.2%)               |
| Pneumonia                            |                          |                        |
| Primary, no. (%)                     | 27 (57.4%)               | 23 (46.0%)             |
| Secondary, no. (%)                   | 10 (21.3%)               | 20 (40.0%)             |
| Other                                |                          |                        |
| Primary, no. (%)                     | 5 (11.6%)                | 10 (20.8%)             |
| Secondary, no. (%)                   | 8 (18.6%)                | 5 (10.4%)              |
| Other comorbid conditions, no. (%)   | 34 (72.3%)               | 41 (83.7%)             |

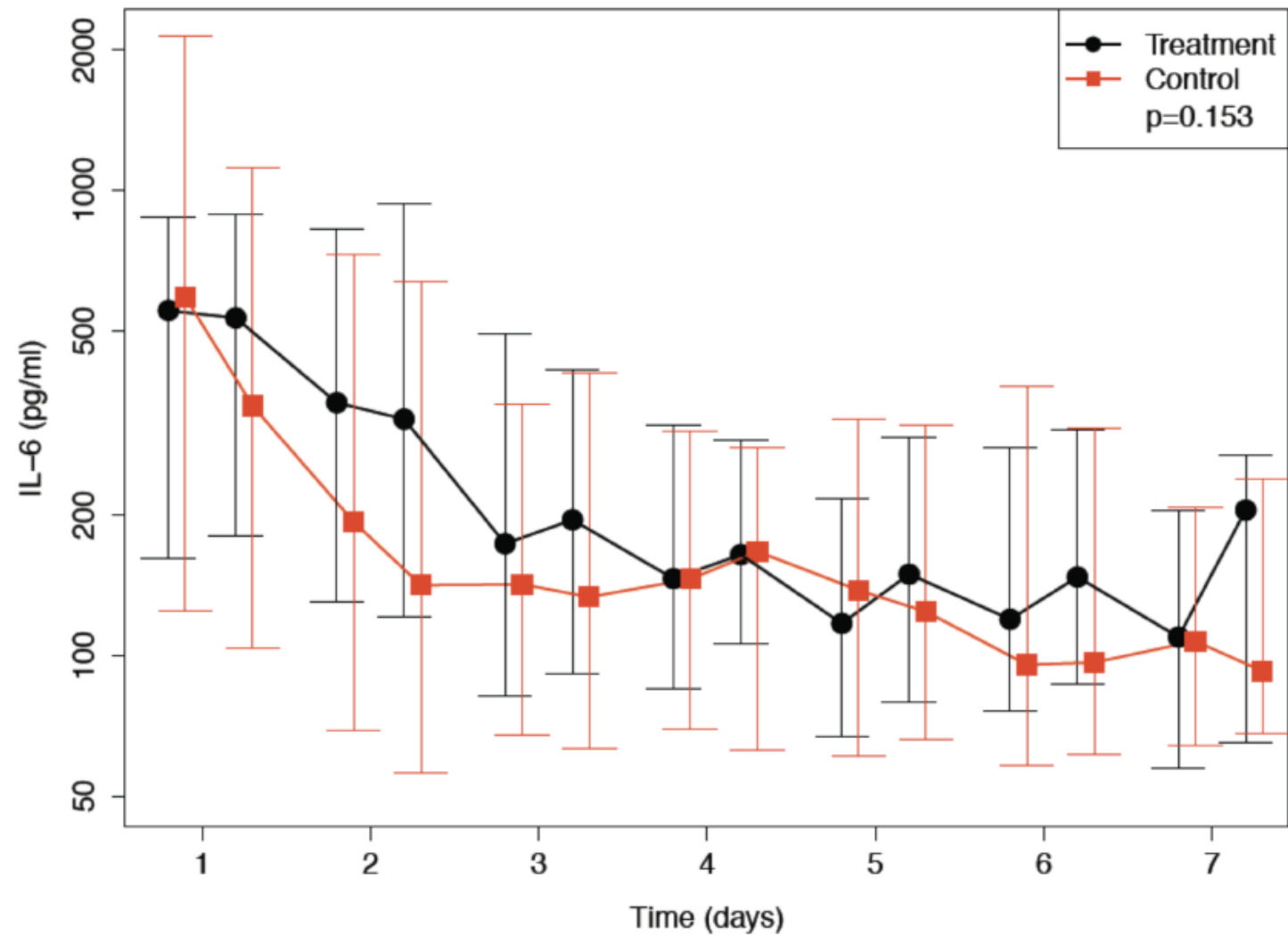


Fig 3. Median and interquartile range for Interleukin-6 (IL-6) plasma levels in the treatment and in the control group (n = 75).

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treatment group (44.7%) compared to the control group (26.0%;  $p = 0.039$ ). The proportion of patients receiving renal replacement therapy at the time of enrollment was higher in the treatment group (31.9%) when compared to the control group (16.3%). After adjustment for patient morbidity and baseline imbalances, no association of hemoperfusion with mortality was found ( $p = 0.19$ ).



## Extracorporeal cytokine adsorption in septic shock: A proof of concept randomized, controlled pilot study



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Therefore, the aim of this prospective, randomized, controlled, *proof of concept* (i.e.: *testing it as a standalone extracorporeal treatment without the need of renal replacement therapy*), pilot study was to investigate the effects of early (started within 24 h after ICU administration), 24-h long cytokine-adsorption therapy on organ dysfunction and inflammatory response in patients with septic shock, and to provide further data on safety.

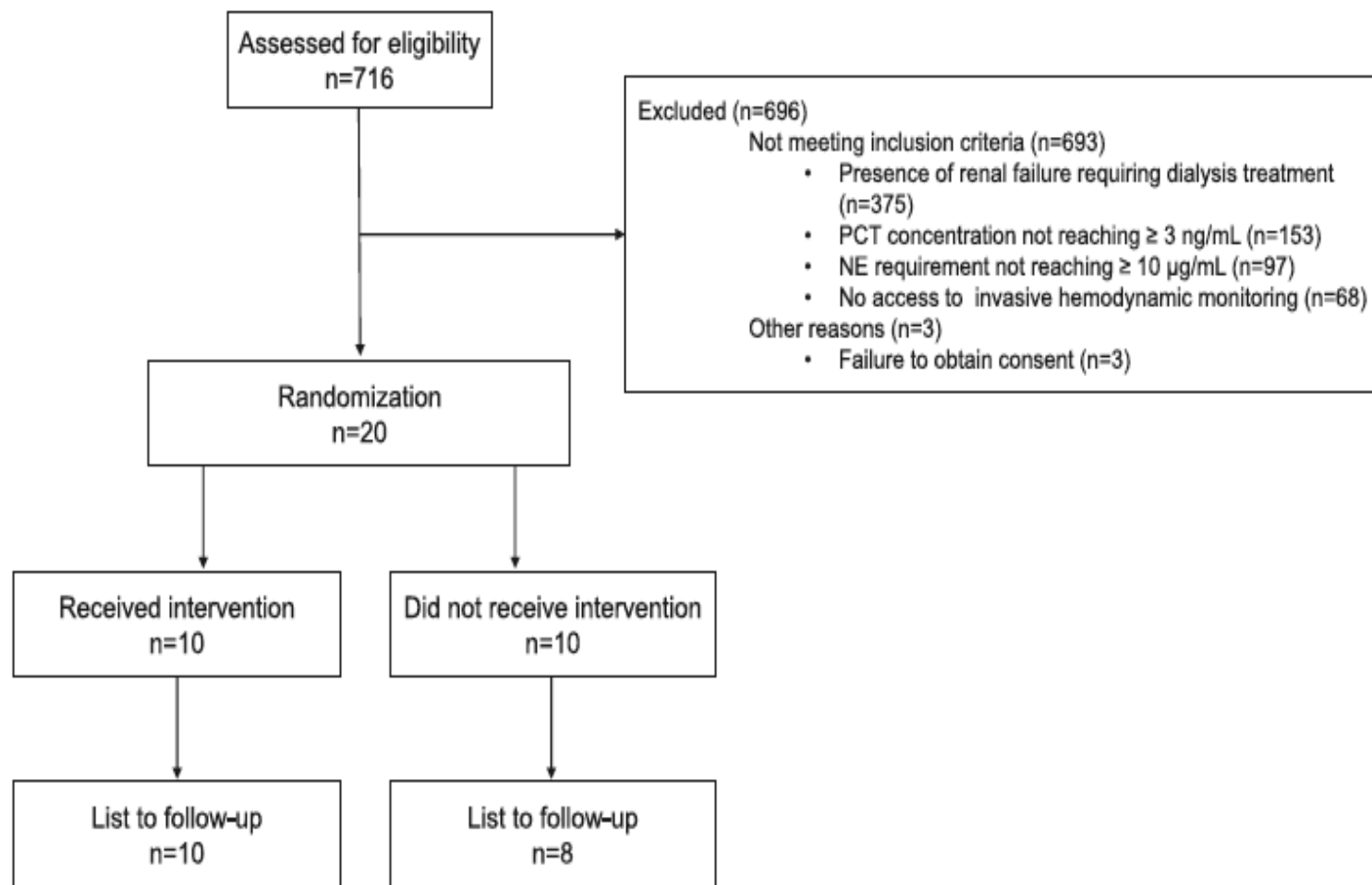


Fig. 1. Flowchart of patient screening and involvement according to CONSORT.

**Table 1**

Demographic data.

| Parameters                    | All         | CytoSorb   | Control   |
|-------------------------------|-------------|--|---|
| N (male/female)               | 20 (13/7)   | 10 (7/3)   | 10 (6/4)  |
| Age (years)                   | 65.6 ± 12.9 | 60 ± 10  | 71 ± 14   |
| Body Mass Index               | 28.8 ± 8.0  | 30.5 ± 10.2  | 26.9 ± 4.4  |
| ICU length of stay (days)     | 10.1 ± 6.5  | 10.2 ± 8.5   | 10.0 ± 4.3  |
| APACHE II                     | 28 ± 7      | 26 ± 9   | 30 ± 6  |
| Mortality within 48 h         | 2           | 0  | 2   |
| Etiology (n)                  | –           | Pneumonia (7)<br>pancreatitis (1)<br>toxic shock syndrome (1)<br>urosepsis (1) | Pneumonia (6)<br>meningococcus sepsis (2)<br>cholangiosepsis (1)<br>dermatomyositis (1) |
| Number of dialysis treatments | 47          | 2.6 ± 1.5  | 2.1 ± 4.3   |

N: number of subjects, ICU: Intensive Care Unit, APACHE II: Acute Physiology and Chronic Health Evaluation II score. Data are presented as mean ± standard deviation.

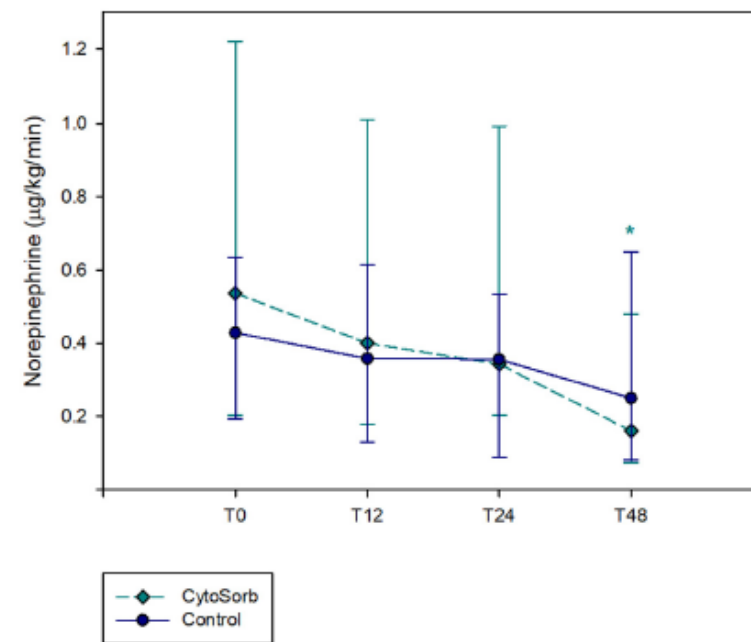
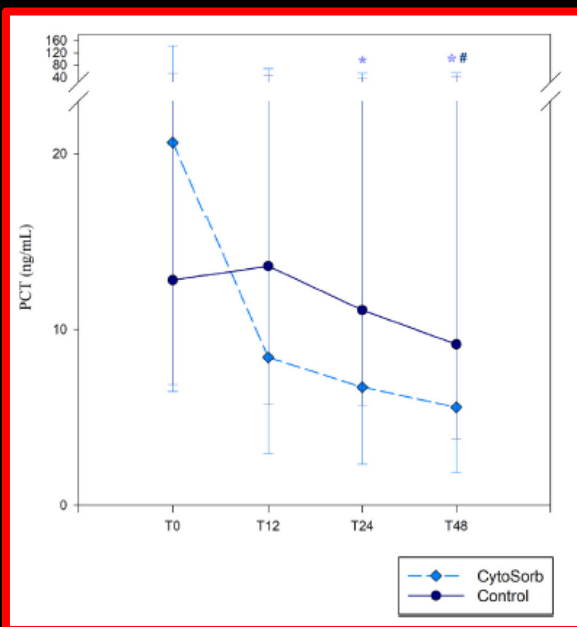


Fig. 2. Kinetics of norepinephrine need in the CytoSorb and in the Control group. Data are shown as median and interquartile ranges. \* $p < .05$  vs.  $T_0$ .



**Changes in cytokines, haemodynamics and microcirculation in patients with sepsis/septic shock undergoing continuous renal replacement therapy and blood purification with CytoSorb.**  
***A prospective observational study on effects of blood purification with CytoSorb in septic patients.***

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**Pazienti:**

- **10 pazienti con sepsi/shock settico**
- Pazienti con insufficienza renale e necessità di CRRT
- Uso di CytoSorb come terapia aggiuntiva per 24 ore

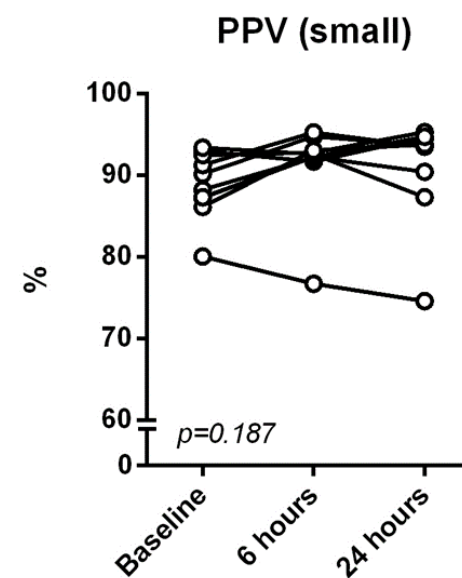
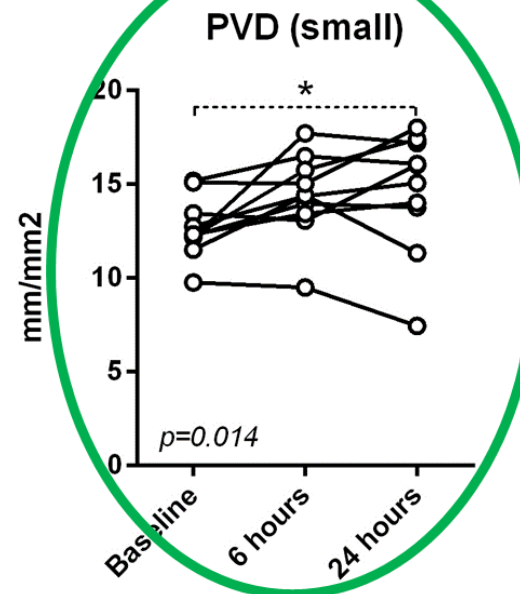
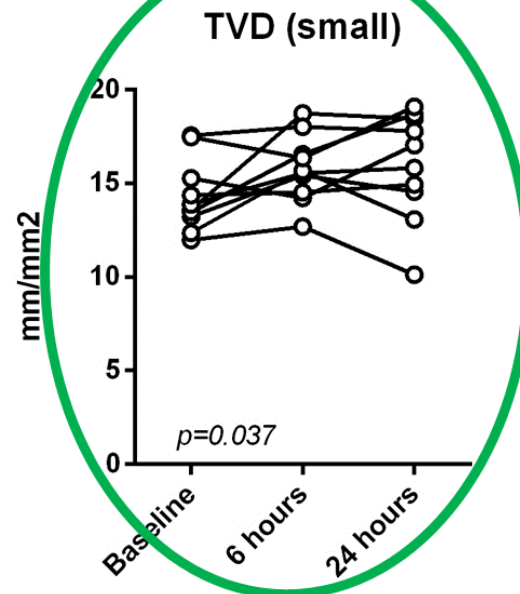
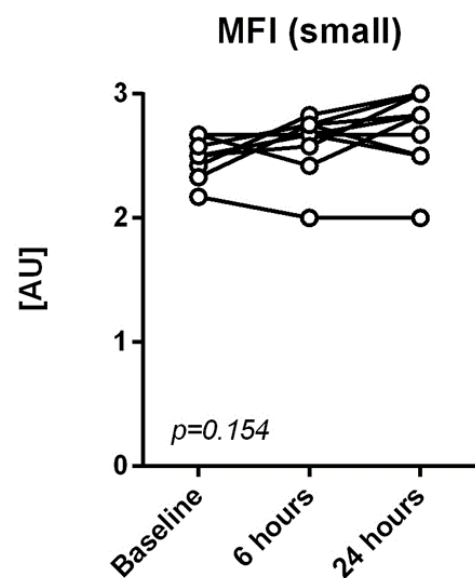
**Obiettivi:**

- Valutazione delle variabili del microcircolo (MFI, PPV, TVD, PVD)
- Valutazione dell'ossigenazione tissutale
- Valutazione dell'impatto sulle variabili della macroemodinamica (CI, GEDI, SVRI, MAP, HR, lactates, ScvO2) e dosaggio vasopressori

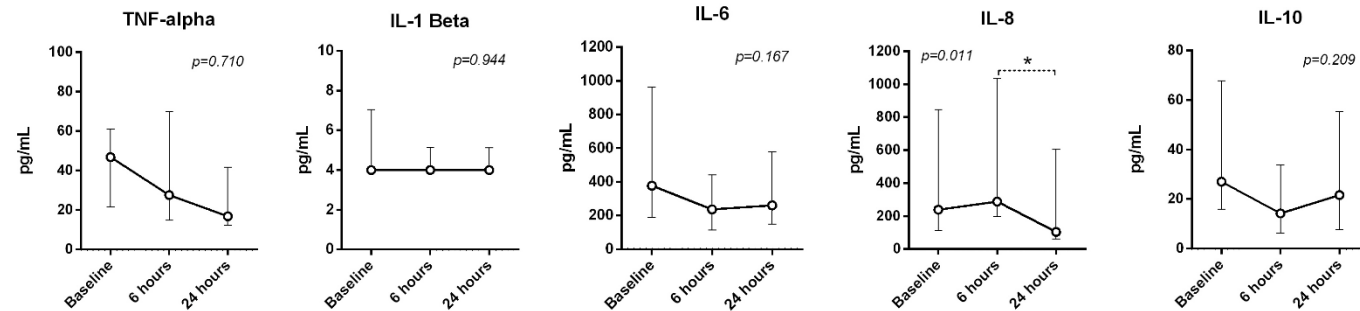
|   | Baseline         | 6 hours          | 24 hours                      | p*    |
|---|------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|-------|
| Total small Vessel Density (mm/mm <sup>2</sup> )    | 13.7 [13.0-15.8] | 15.6 [14.4-16.9] | 16.4 [14.2-18.5]              | 0.037 |
| Perfused small Vessel Density (mm/mm <sup>2</sup> ) | 12.3 [12.0-13.9] | 14.4 [13.3-15.9] | 15.5 [13.1-17.2] <sup>#</sup> | 0.014 |
| Microvascular Flow Index [AU]                       | 2.50 [2.33-2.60] | 2.67 [2.54-2.75] | 2.83 [2.50-3.00]              | 0.154 |
| Percentage of Perfused small Vessels (%)            | 89 [86-92]       | 92 [91-93]       | 93 [89-94]                    | 0.187 |

**Miglioramento del microcircolo  
statisticamente significativo in 24  
ore:**

- Densità piccoli vasi totale
- Densità piccoli vasi perfusi

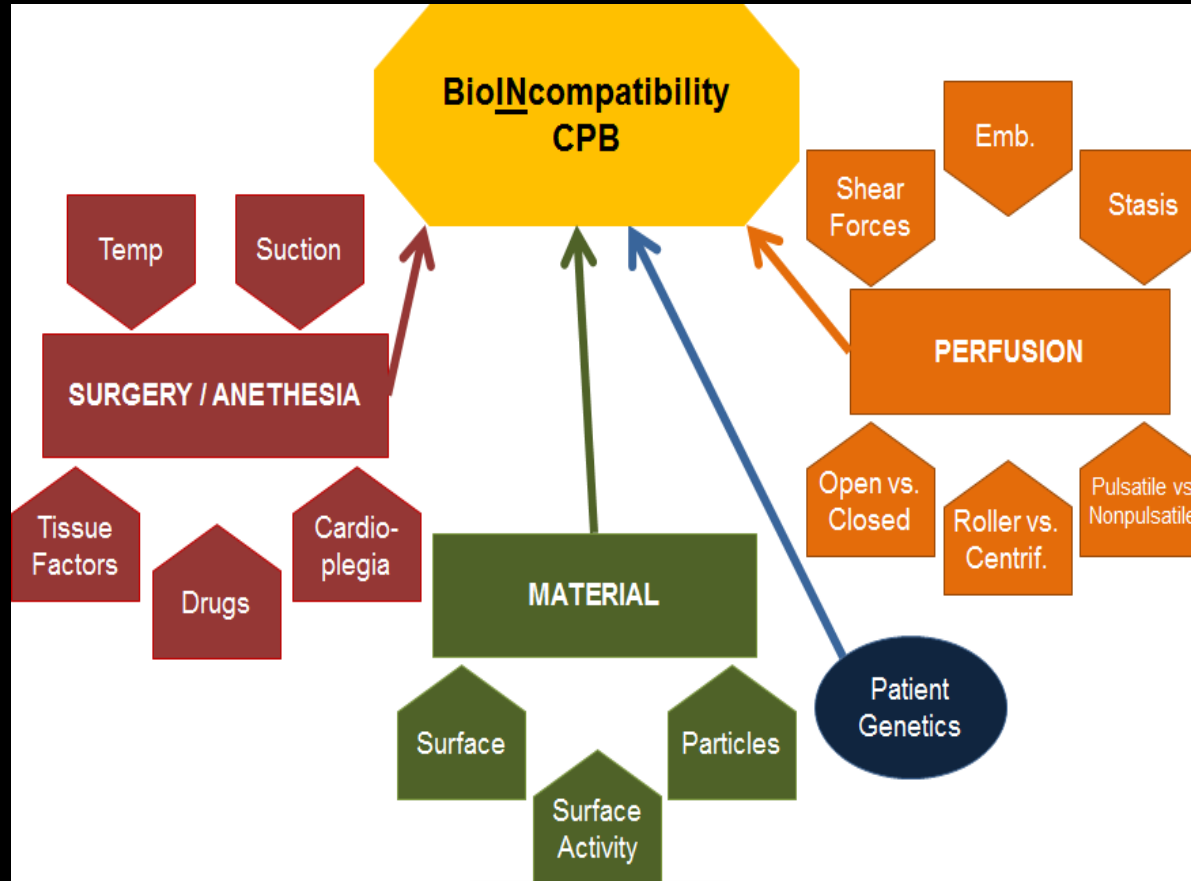
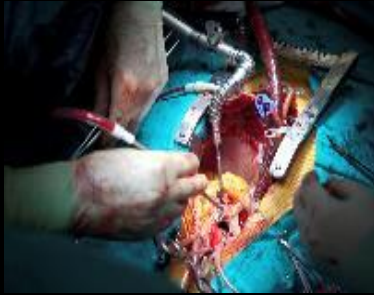


- Riduzione citochinica in 24 ore, in particolare IL-8
- Stabilità dei valori di macroemodinamica



### Conclusioni:

- La modulazione citochinica ha un impatto sul microcircolo, determinando un miglioramento delle variabili che lo caratterizzano;
- Si osserva una stabilità emodinamica senza peggioramenti;
- Vi è la necessità di un periodo di trattamento e di follow up più lungo di sole 24 h.



## Hemoadsorption treatment of patients with acute infective endocarditis during surgery with cardiopulmonary bypass - a case series

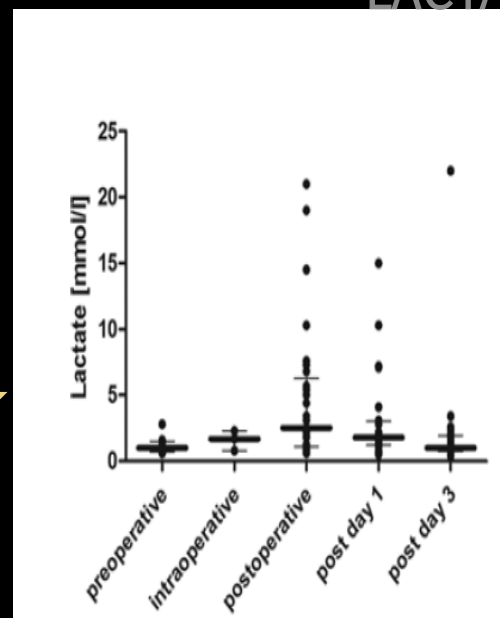
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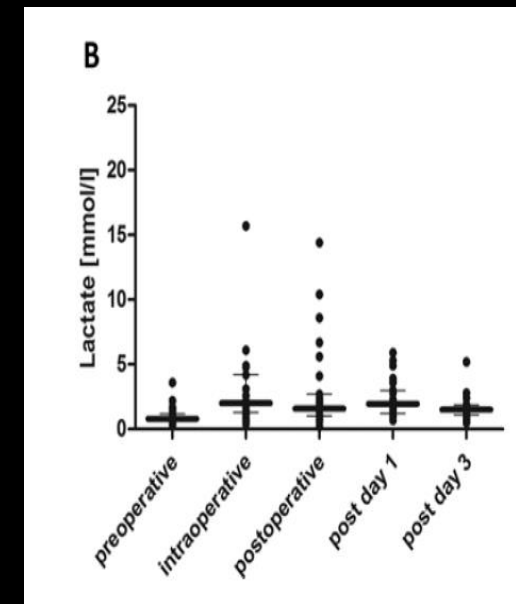
67 patients with infective endocarditis

39 study group: CPB + CytoSorb

28 control group: only CPB



Study group




Control group

- Hemodynamics improvement
- Reduction of noradrenaline dose
- Reduction of mean ICU stay:  
5 days for study group vs 7,5 days for control group

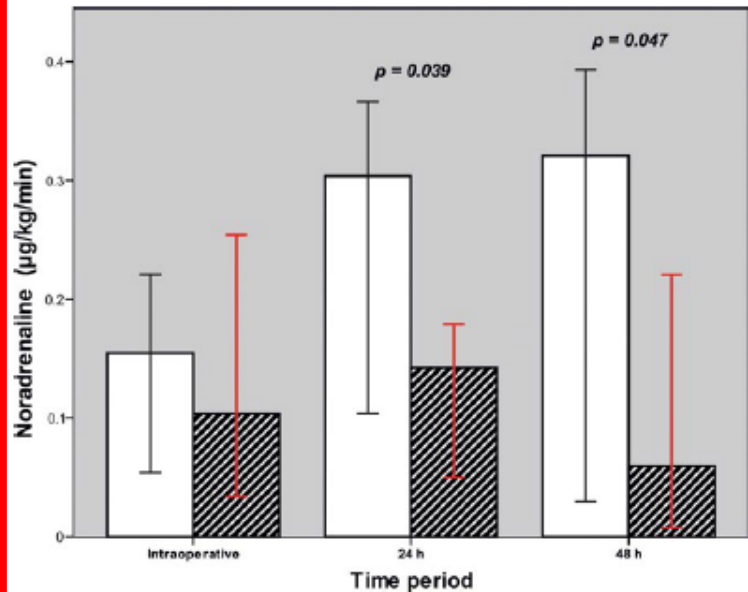
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# Impact of intraoperative cytokine adsorption on outcome of patients undergoing orthotopic heart transplantation – an observational study

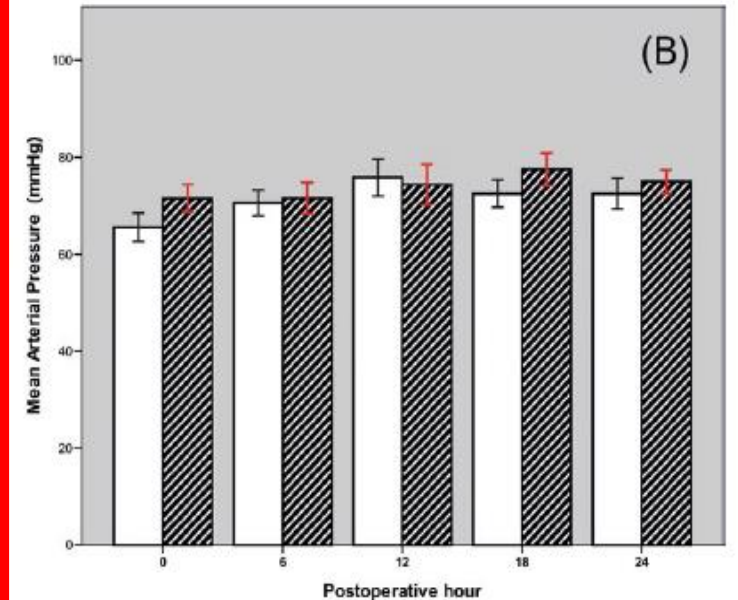
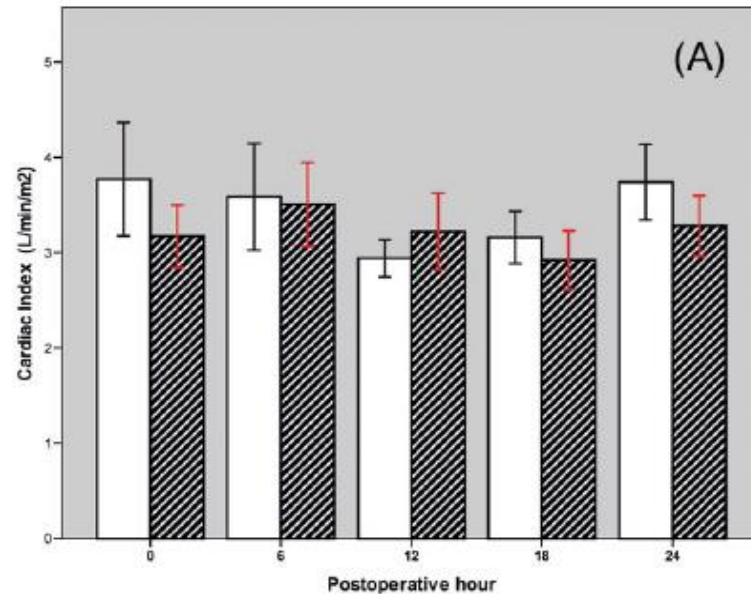
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84 patients  
undergoing orthotopic  
heart transplantation

24 study  
group:  
CPB+CytoSorb  
60 control  
group: CPB  
only



**FIGURE 1** Comparison of noradrenaline requirements in the early postoperative period. Blank bar demonstrates control group and striped bar indicates CytoSorb™-treated patients. Data are presented as medians. Error bars show 95% confidence interval. Wilcoxon rank-sum test



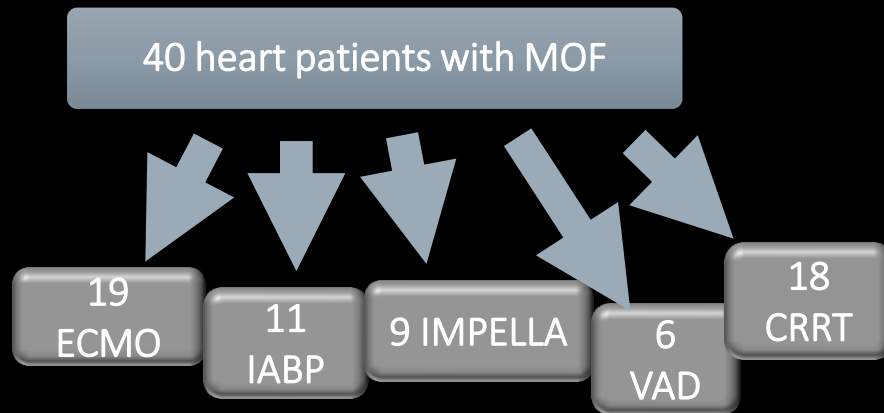
**FIGURE 2** Cardiac index (A) and mean arterial pressure (B) during the first 24 h after orthotopic heart transplantation. Blank bar demonstrates controls and striped bar indicates CytoSorb™-treated patients. Data are presented as means. Error bars show standard error of the mean. Paired t test



## Blood Purification With CytoSorb in Critically Ill Patients: Single-Center Preliminary Experience

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Installed into  
ECMO or HP

40 heart patients with MOF

28 cardiogenic shock

2 septic shock

9 ARDS

1 liver failure

TABLE 3. Peak and end treatment values

| Values                  | Peak during treatment | End of treatment | P value |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|---------|
| Total bilirubin (mg/dL) | 11.6 ± 9.2            | 6.8 ± 5.1        | 0.005   |
| Lactate (mmol/L)        | 12.1 ± 8.7            | 2.9 ± 2.5        | <0.001  |
| CPK (U/L)               | 2416 (670–8615)       | 281 (44–2769)    | <0.001  |
| LDH (U/L)               | 1230 (860–3157)       | 787 (536–1148)   | <0.001  |

Expected  
mortality  
80%

Actual  
mortality  
52,5%



## Evidenze cliniche e diffusione della terapia con CytoSorb

|   | Dic 18  | Mag 18 | Dic 17 | Set 16 | Ago 15 |
|---|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| <b>Trattamenti con CytoSorb</b>   |         |        |        |        |        |
| Totale  | 51.000  | 40.000 | 31.000 | 14.000 | 5.500  |
| Numero pazienti documentati/pubblicati  | 1.701   | 1.487  | 1.234  | 575    | 187    |
| Trattamenti documentati/pubblicati  | 2.722   | 2.442  | 1.978  | 923    | 376    |
| <b>Publicazioni</b>   |         |        |        |        |        |
| Totale (pubblicazioni, letture e <i>case of the week</i> )                      | 242     | 207    | 177    | 92     | 20     |
| Peer-reviewed   | 66      | 52     | 48     | 28     | 18     |
| Totale trattamenti in pubblicazioni peer-reviewed                               | 909     | 767    | 728    | 368    | 191    |
| <b>Registro CytoSorb</b>  |         |        |        |        |        |
| Centri iscritti nel mondo   | 218     | 189    | 164    | 115    | 60     |
| Pazienti inclusi  | 624     | 500    | 411    | 152    | 0      |
| <b>Trial Clinici</b>  |         |        |        |        |        |
| Numero di studi su <a href="https://clinicaltrials.gov">clinicaltrials.gov</a>  | 31 / 14 | 30     | 15     | 12     | 10     |
| Studi completati su <a href="https://clinicaltrials.gov">clinicaltrials.gov</a> | 10 / 8  | 8      | 4      | 2      | 2      |

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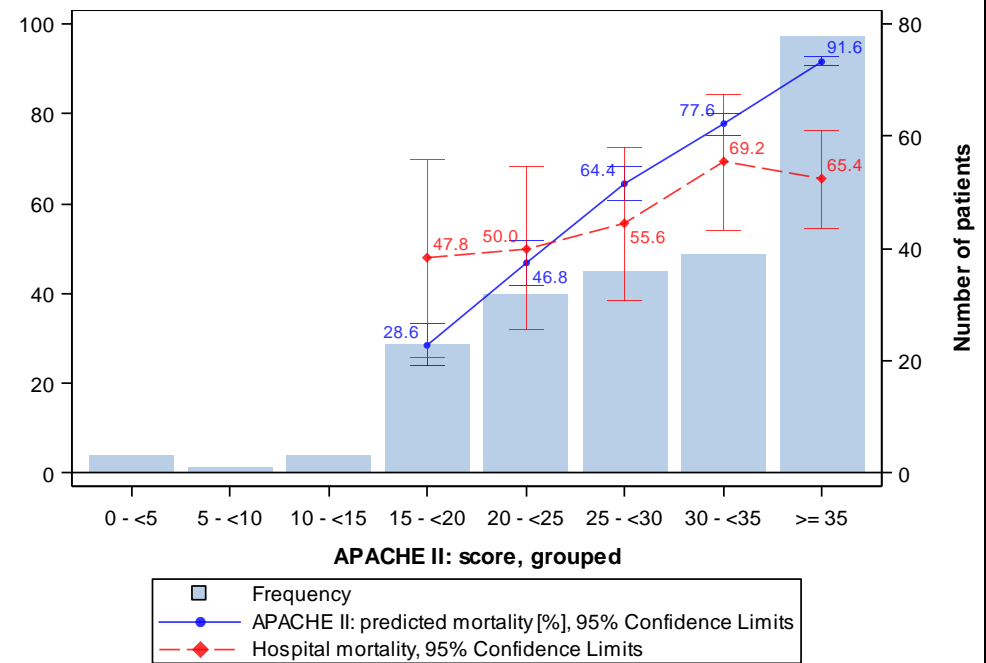
|                     | Giugno 2019 | Settembre 2018 | Dicembre 2017 | Agosto 2017 | Settembre 2016 | Agosto 2015 |
|---------------------|-------------|----------------|---------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|
| N° centri nel mondo | 253         | 210            | 167           | 148         | 115            | 60          |
| N° pazienti inclusi | 748         | 574            | 426           | 369         | 152            | 0           |

| Parameter                        | Sepsis / septic shock          | Cardiac surgery with CPB - preemptive | Cardiac surgery with CPB - postoperative | Other indication            |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|
|                                  | N (296)                        | N (58)                                | N (43)                                   | N (98)                      |
| <b>SOFA: score</b>               |                                |                                       |  |                             |
| T1 Mean $\pm$ Std [Range]        | 16.0 $\pm$ 4.3 [3 – 24]        | 11.2 $\pm$ 3.9 [4 – 21]               | 16.5 $\pm$ 2.8 [9 – 21]                  | 13.8 $\pm$ 5.0 [2 – 23]     |
| T2 Mean $\pm$ Std [Range]        | 15.7 $\pm$ 5.0 [1 – 24]        | 12.8 $\pm$ 2.9 [7 – 19]               | 17.3 $\pm$ 2.4 [12 – 22]                 | 14.0 $\pm$ 5.4 [2 – 23]     |
| <b>CRP [mg/L]</b>                |                                |                                       |  |                             |
| T1 Mean $\pm$ Std [Range]        | 187.1 $\pm$ 140.8 [1 – 611]    | 73.5 $\pm$ 83.1 [0.1 – 300]           | 71.8 $\pm$ 98.7 [0.4 – 521]              | 107.8 $\pm$ 115.2 [1 – 495] |
| T2 Mean $\pm$ Std [Range]        | 159.0 $\pm$ 114.4 [2 – 626]    | 109.0 $\pm$ 80.2 [1 – 332]            | 117.6 $\pm$ 80.1 [1 – 290]               | 126.5 $\pm$ 98.8 [7 – 368]  |
| <b>PCT [ng/mL]</b>               |                                |                                       |  |                             |
| T1 Mean $\pm$ Std [Range]        | 46.2 $\pm$ 99.2 [0 – 995]      | 2.5 $\pm$ 5.0 [0 – 17.4]              | 19.5 $\pm$ 23.8 [0.2 – 100.0]            | 16.6 $\pm$ 33.3 [0.1 – 179] |
| T2 Mean $\pm$ Std [Range]        | 30.9 $\pm$ 71.0 [0.4 – 605]    | 5.5 $\pm$ 8.4 [0.1 – 45]              | 20.3 $\pm$ 22.9 [0.7 – 100]              | 7.7 $\pm$ 16.2 [0.2 – 95]   |
| <b>IL6 [pg/mL]]*</b>             |                                |                                       |  |                             |
| T1 Median [Range]                | 5000 [20 – > 10 <sup>7</sup> ] | 40 [2 – 5000]                         | 432 [69 – 5000]                          | 646 [65 – 122500]           |
| T2 Median [Range]                | 292 [0 – 22327]                | 288 [0 – 2232]                        | 59 [12 – 2300]                           | 106 [0.1 – 6263]            |
| <b>Length of ICU stay [days]</b> |                                |                                       |  |                             |
| Mean $\pm$ Std [Range]           | 29.8 $\pm$ 26.0 [2 – 165]      | 6.2 $\pm$ 4.2 [1 – 20]                | 14.8 $\pm$ 7.9 [7 – 43]                  | 27.6 $\pm$ 24.5 [2 – 116]   |
| <b>Number (%) of deaths**</b>    | 190 (64.2 %)                   | 6 (10.3 %)                            | 8 (18.6 %)                               | 47 (48.0 %)                 |

\* Note: IL6 values measured outside the predefined 1 hour intervall included (later, or before cytosorb)

\*\* Patients with unknown outcome at data base close have been counted as (still) alive

APACHE II predicted and observed mortal...



No of patients

Note: Because of low patient numbers, no statistics for APACHE II Score <15 is displayed

# LEGENDA

- ~ Razionale della "blood purification"
- ~ Adsorbimento con Cytosorb: come rimuove e che cosa rimuove
- ~ Indicazioni al trattamento
- ~ Adsorbimento nella sepsi
- ~ Studi in vitro
- ~ Studi clinici
  
- ~ Conclusioni



- Many **extracorporeal therapies** have been investigated as adjuvant therapies for septic patients, especially for cytokines storm modulation.
- CytoSorb is an additional therapy potentially able to remove a **large spectrum of molecules**, alone and/or in **combination with any extracorporeal circuits, including CRRT**.
- CytoSorb might be a potential therapy for septic patients non responder to conventional treatments, especially when is used **early**.
- The adsorption of **bilirubin, bile acids and ammonia** can support liver function in patients with hyperbilirubinemia until liver spontaneous regeneration and functional recovery.
- The adsorption of **myoglobin and muscle damage enzymes** can help treating rhabdomyolysis and preventing/solving AKI.
- Clinical patient's condition is important to define the length of CytoSorb treatment.