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Nuove possibilità tecnologiche per le CRRT cosa offre il mercato?

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ASL VCO

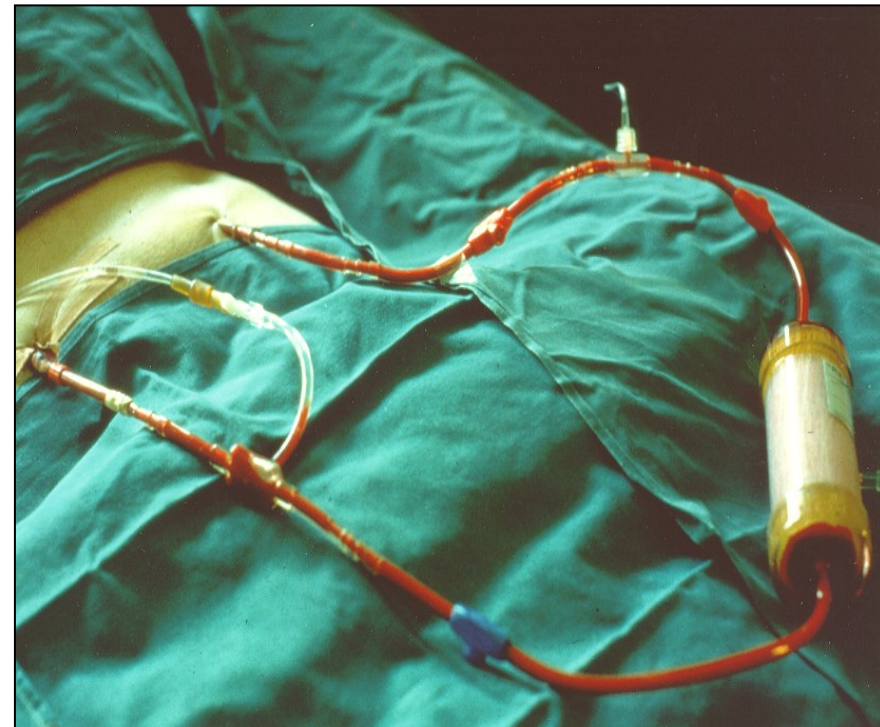
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A Bit of History to Remember

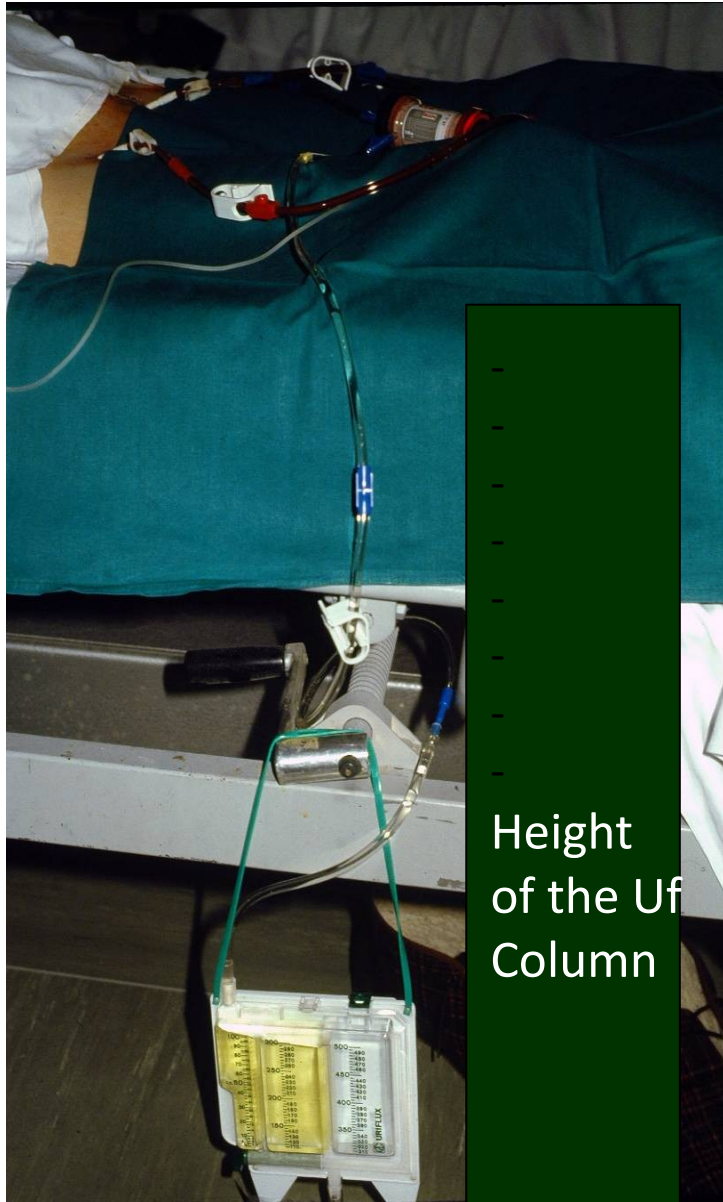
How did continuous renal replacement therapies start?

- In 1977 85% of acute renal failure were treated with peritoneal dialysis
- Critically unstable patients admitted to ICU with ARF often could not tolerate classic hemodialysis
- Hemodialysis was logistically difficult to perform in the ICU
- CAVH represented the beginning of CRRT as *“an alternative therapy for critically ill patients when hemo or peritoneal dialysis were precluded or contraindicated”*.

Peter Kramer, 1977



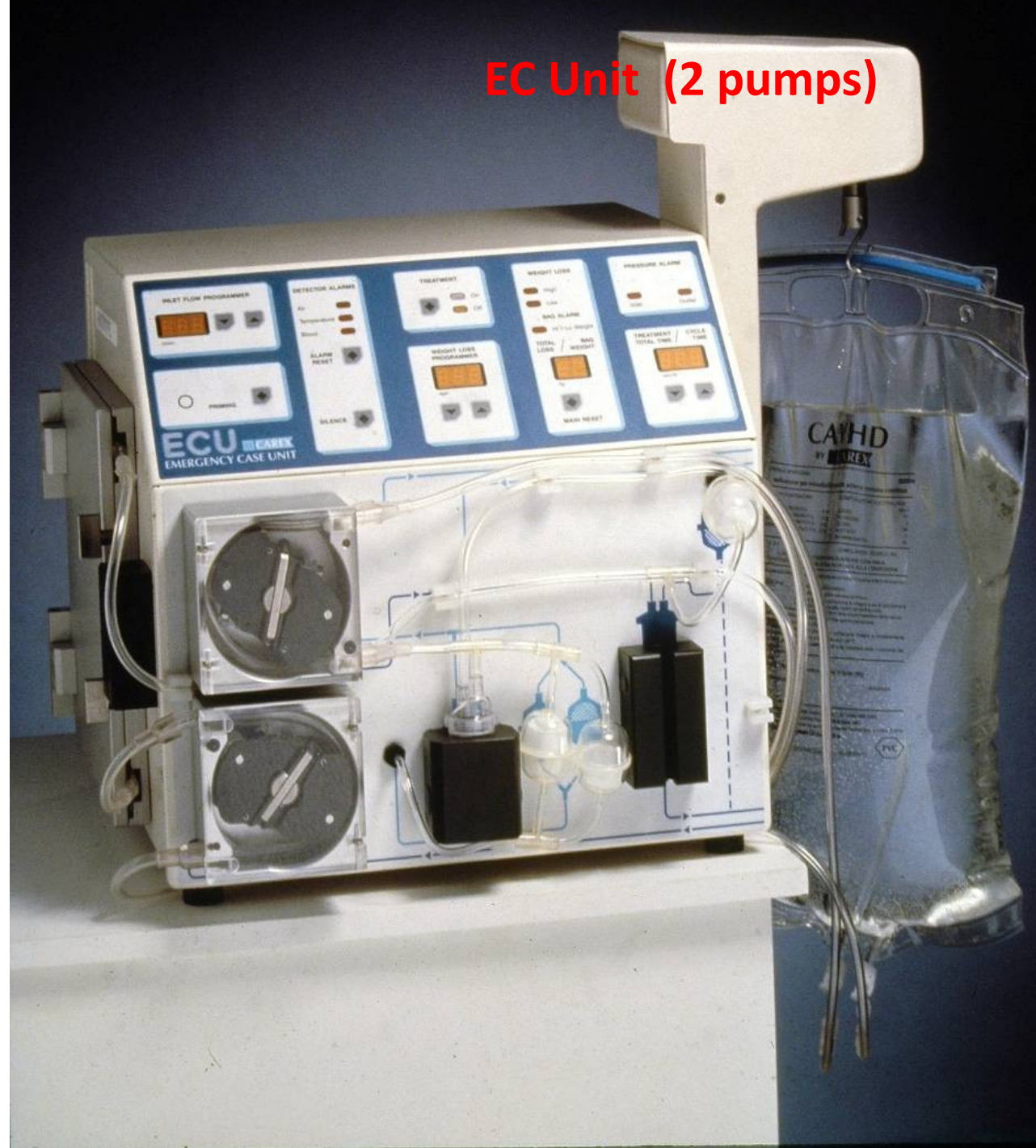
La posizione della sacca determinava la pressione negativa (Ultrafiltrazione)



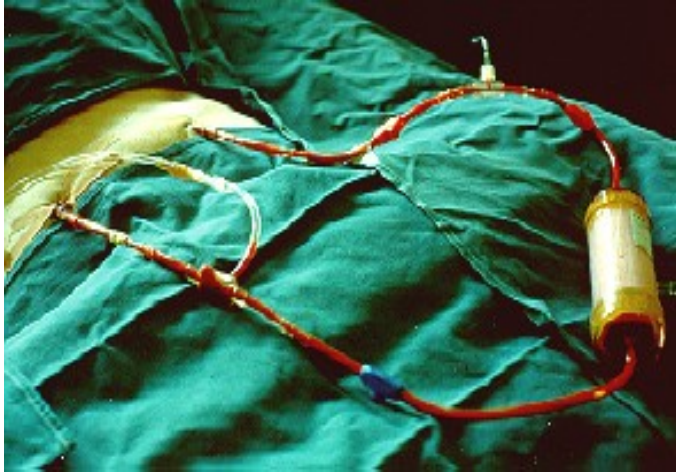
Equaline
(no pumps)



EC Unit (2 pumps)

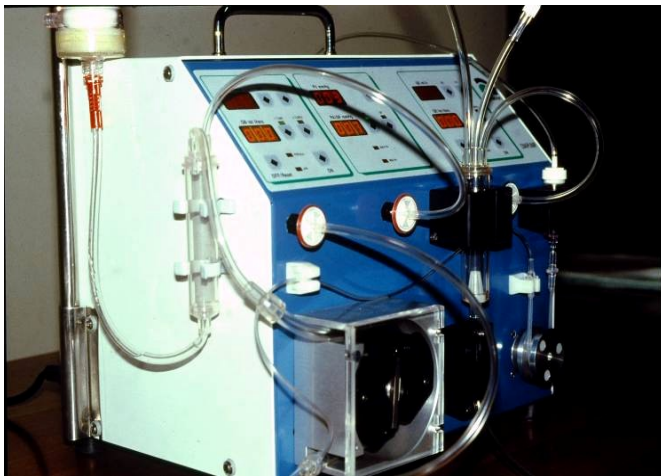


THE INTRODUCTION OF THE BLOOD PUMP



Continuous Arterio-Venous
Hemofiltration

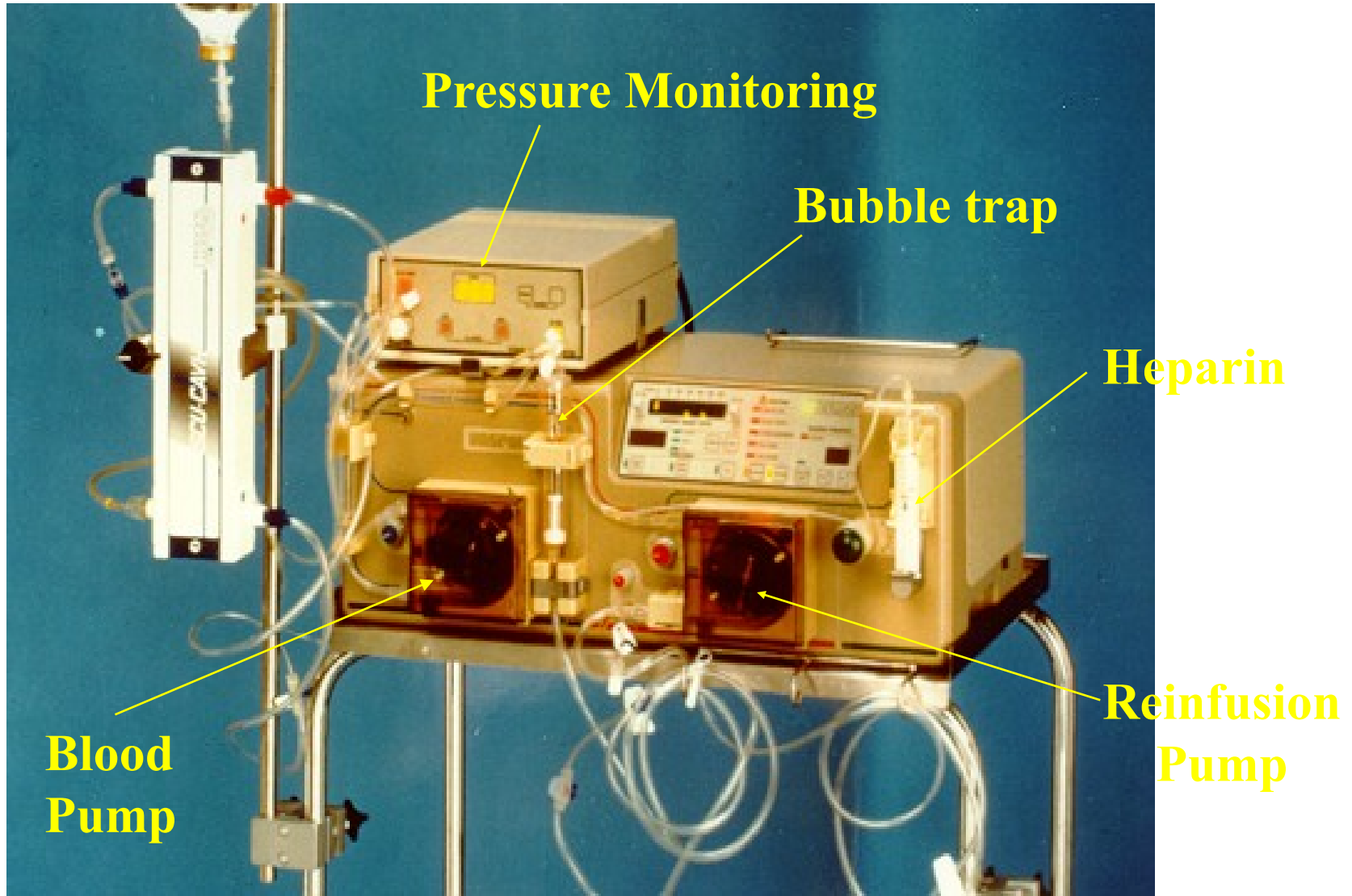
**Femoral Artery and Femoral Vein
Brachial Artery and Jugular Vein**



Continuous Veno-Venous
Hemofiltration

**Femoral Vein, Subclavian Vein
Jugular Vein (D.Lument Cath.)**

CONTINUOUS VENO-VEINOUS HEMOFILTRATION



The Christmas Tree Syndrome



Heparin

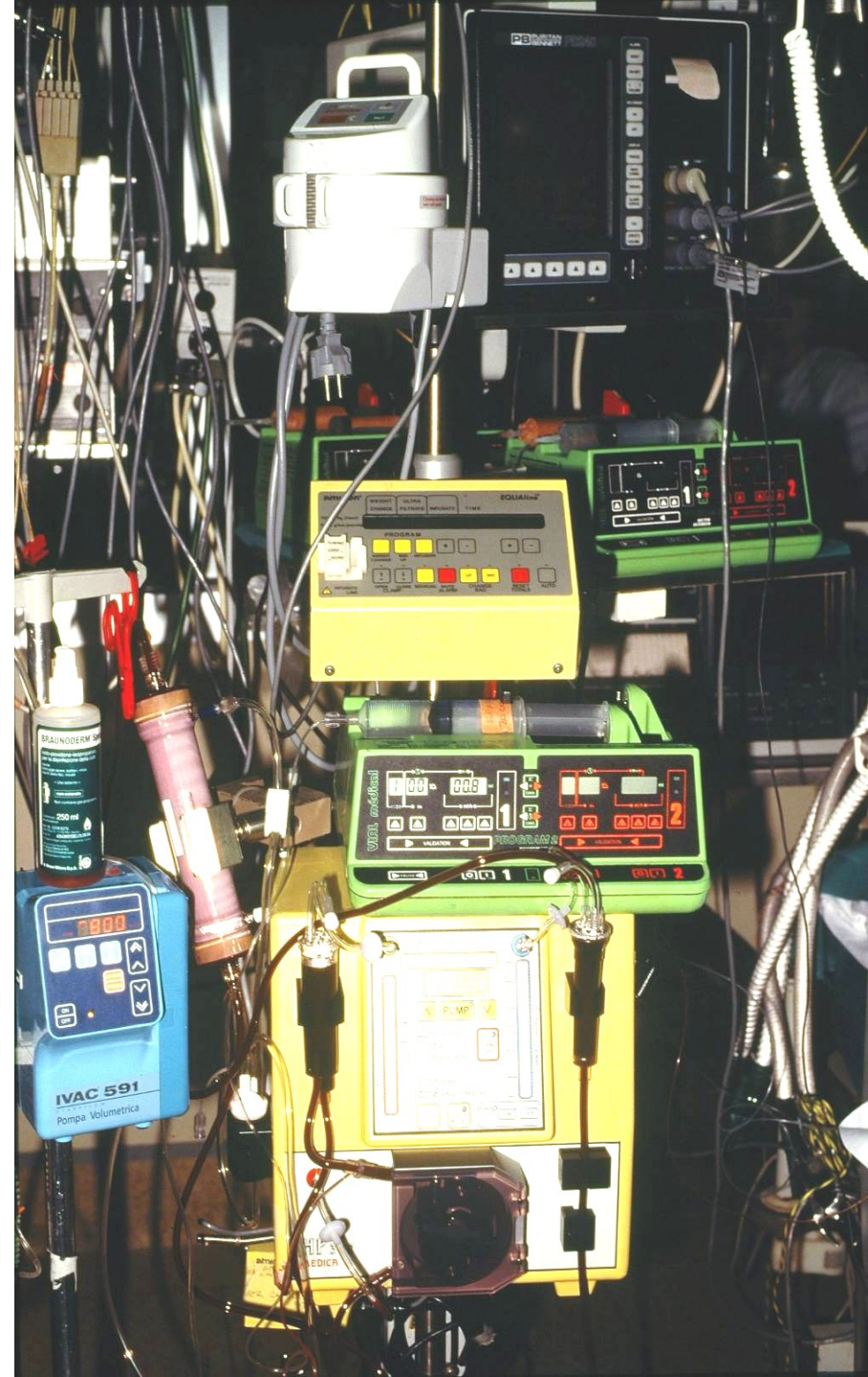
Warmer

manometers

Uf Control

Infusion

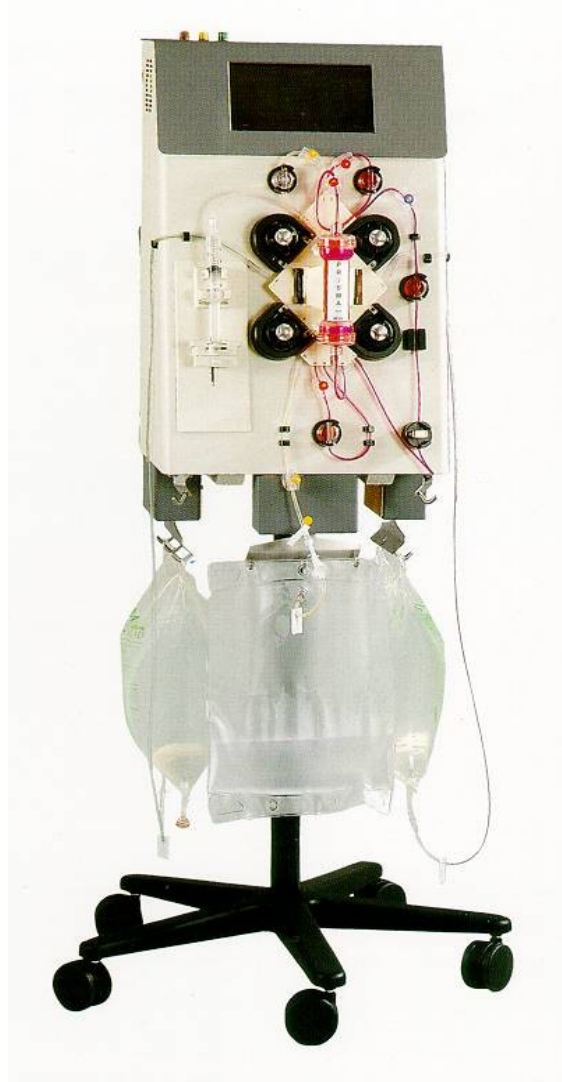
Drugs



A quantum Leap in CRRT

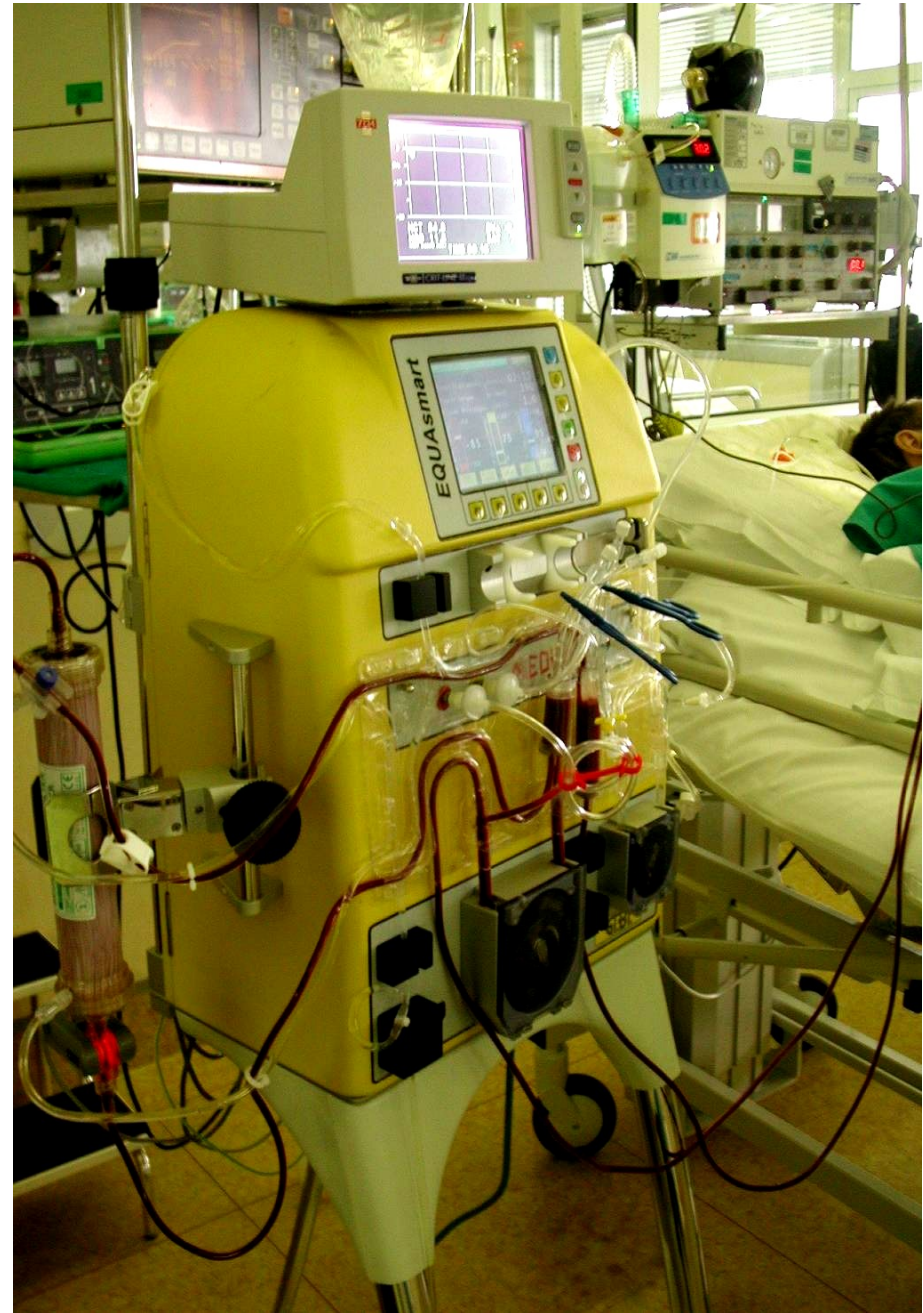
Cobe Renal intensive

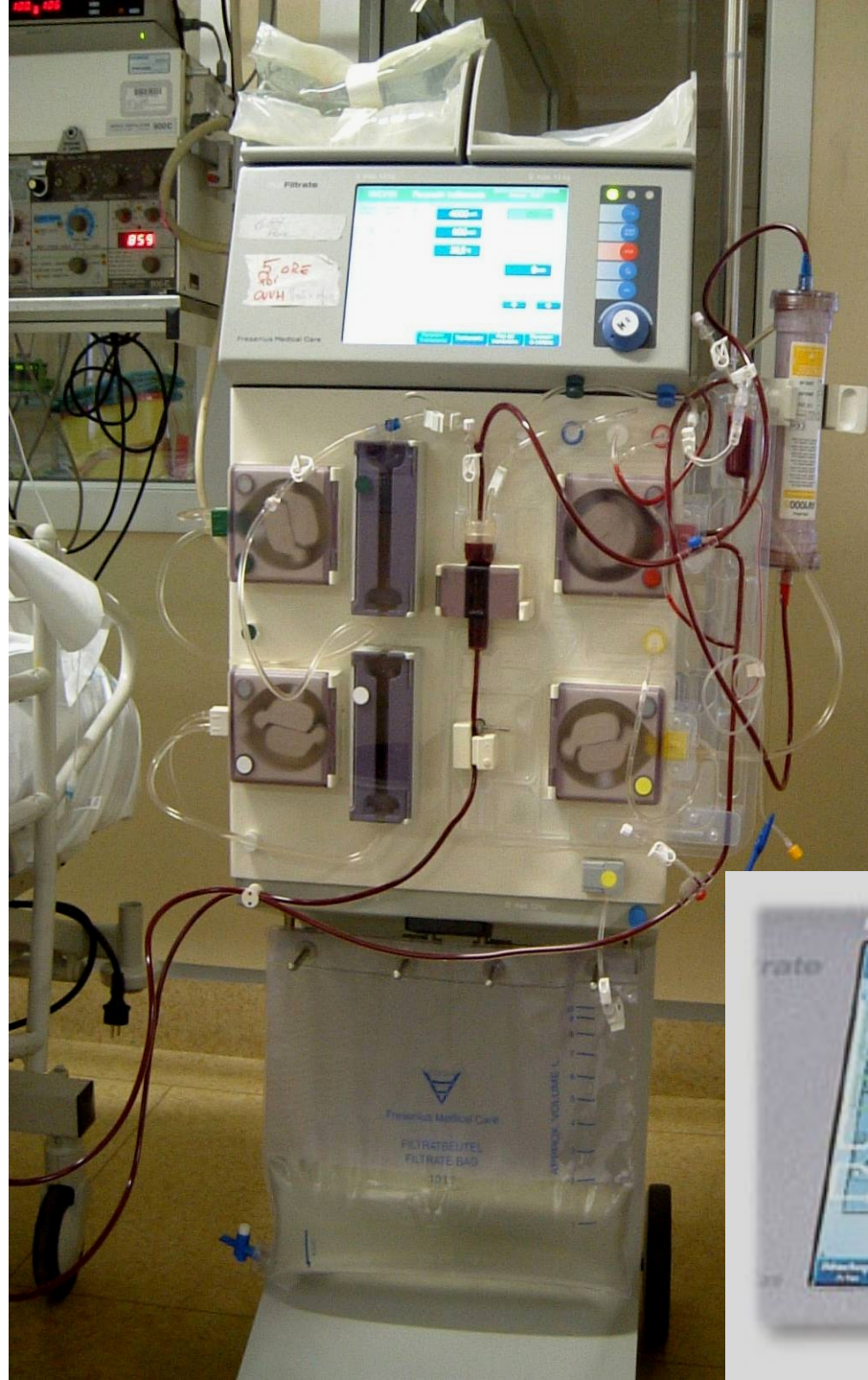
PRISMA



Features:

Self loading of lines and autopriming of the circuit. Treatments performed: CVVH-CVVHD - CVVHDF with large capacity of fluid handling. Large display for operations.





CVVHDF Behandlungsende Reinfusions-Volumen 300 ml

Druck arteriell	Druck venös	TMP	Blutfluss
30	50	-10	200 ml/min
mm Hg	mm Hg	mm Hg	

CVVHDF Behandlungszeit 0:02 h:min Bilanz: 0,00 l

Druck arteriell	Druck venös	TMP	Substitut	Blutfluss
30	50	10	2000 ml/h	200 ml/min
mm Hg	mm Hg	mm Hg	ml/h	ml/min

Diälyset 2000 ml/h

Bolus Antikoagulation 0,0 ml

kont. Antikoagulation 0,0 ml/h

Ultrafiltration 0 ml/h

CVVHDF Vorbereiten Schlauchsystem Füllen/Spülen

Druck arteriell	Druck venös	TMP	Blutfluss
0	0	0	100 ml/min
mm Hg	mm Hg	mm Hg	

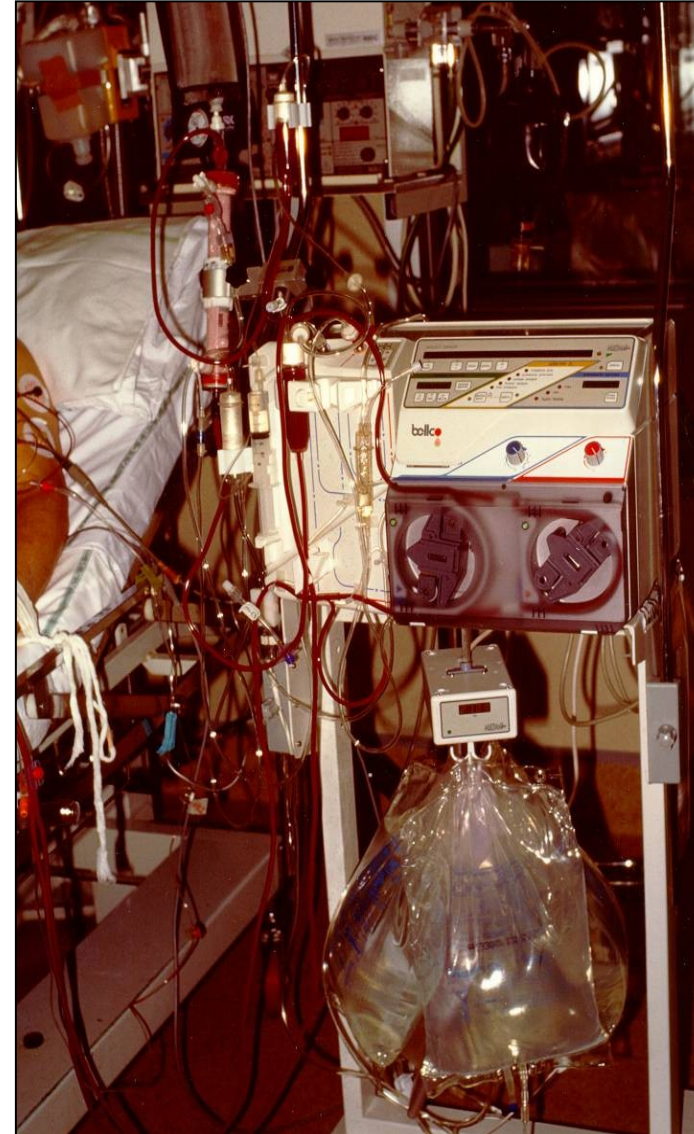
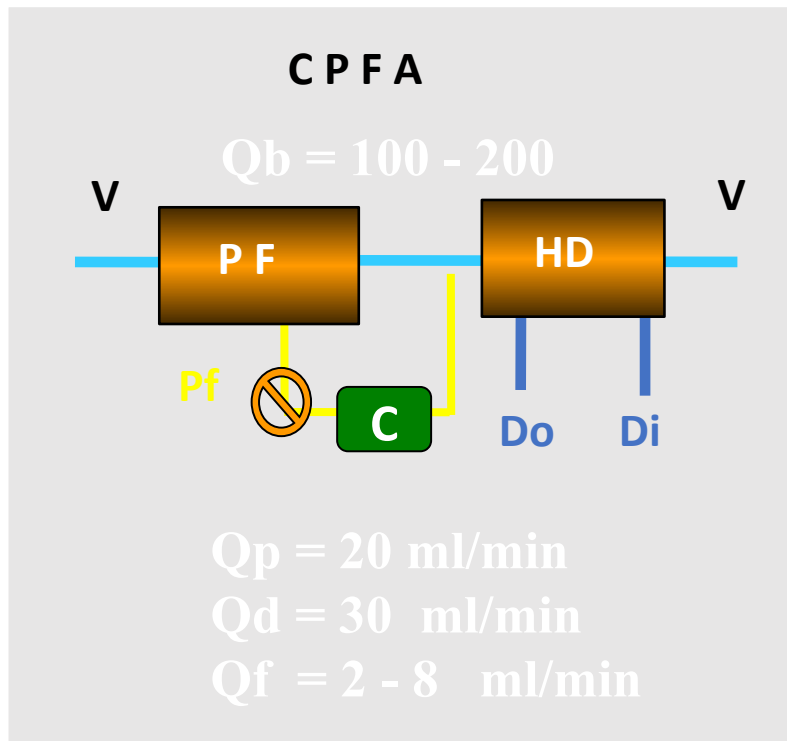
Hinweis

- Prüfen, ob Klemmen geöffnet sind
- Die Brechkonen an den



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Coupling Plasmafiltration and adsorption with continuous hemodialysis for the treatment of sepsis



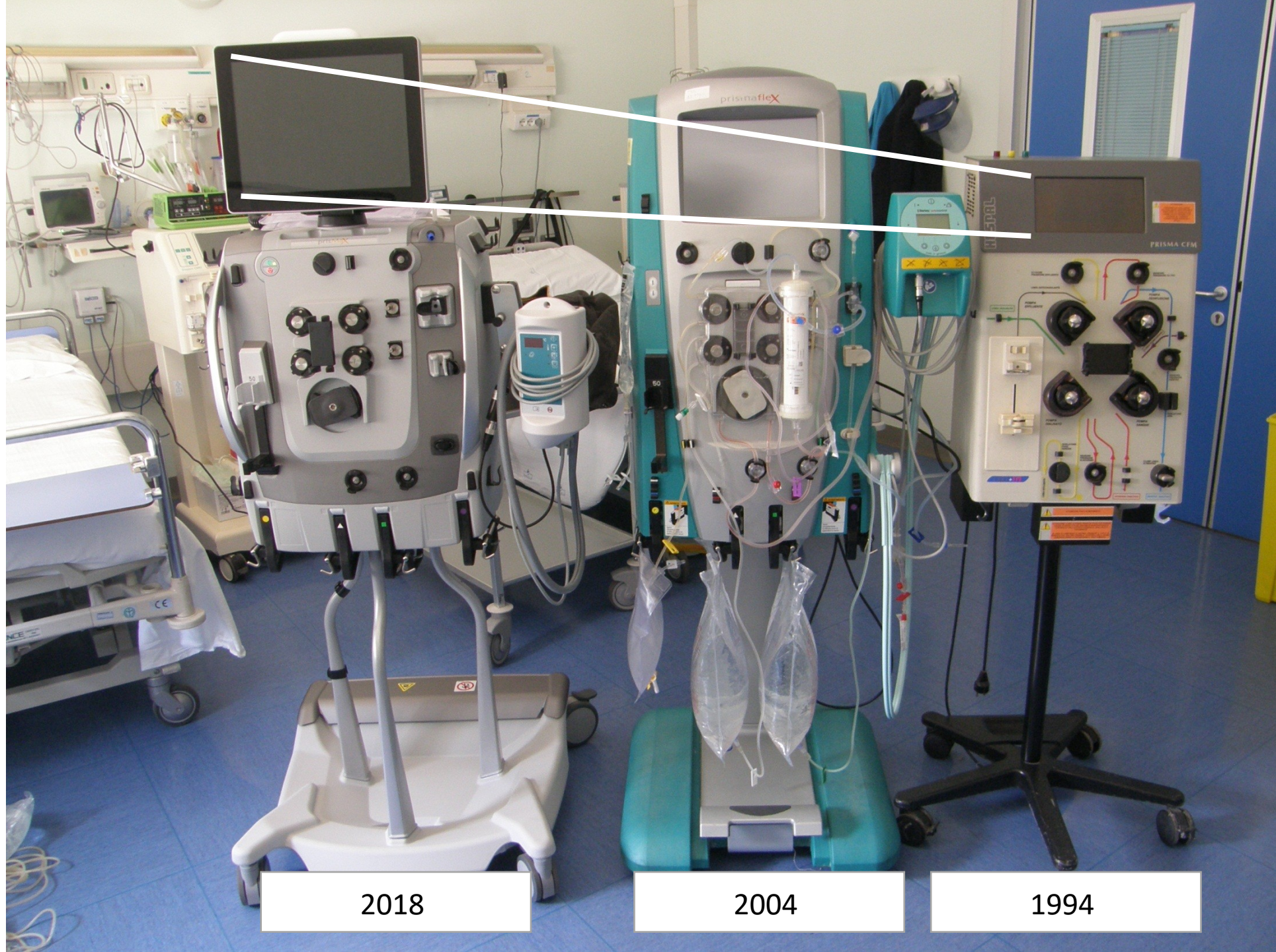
Semplificazione Tecnologica

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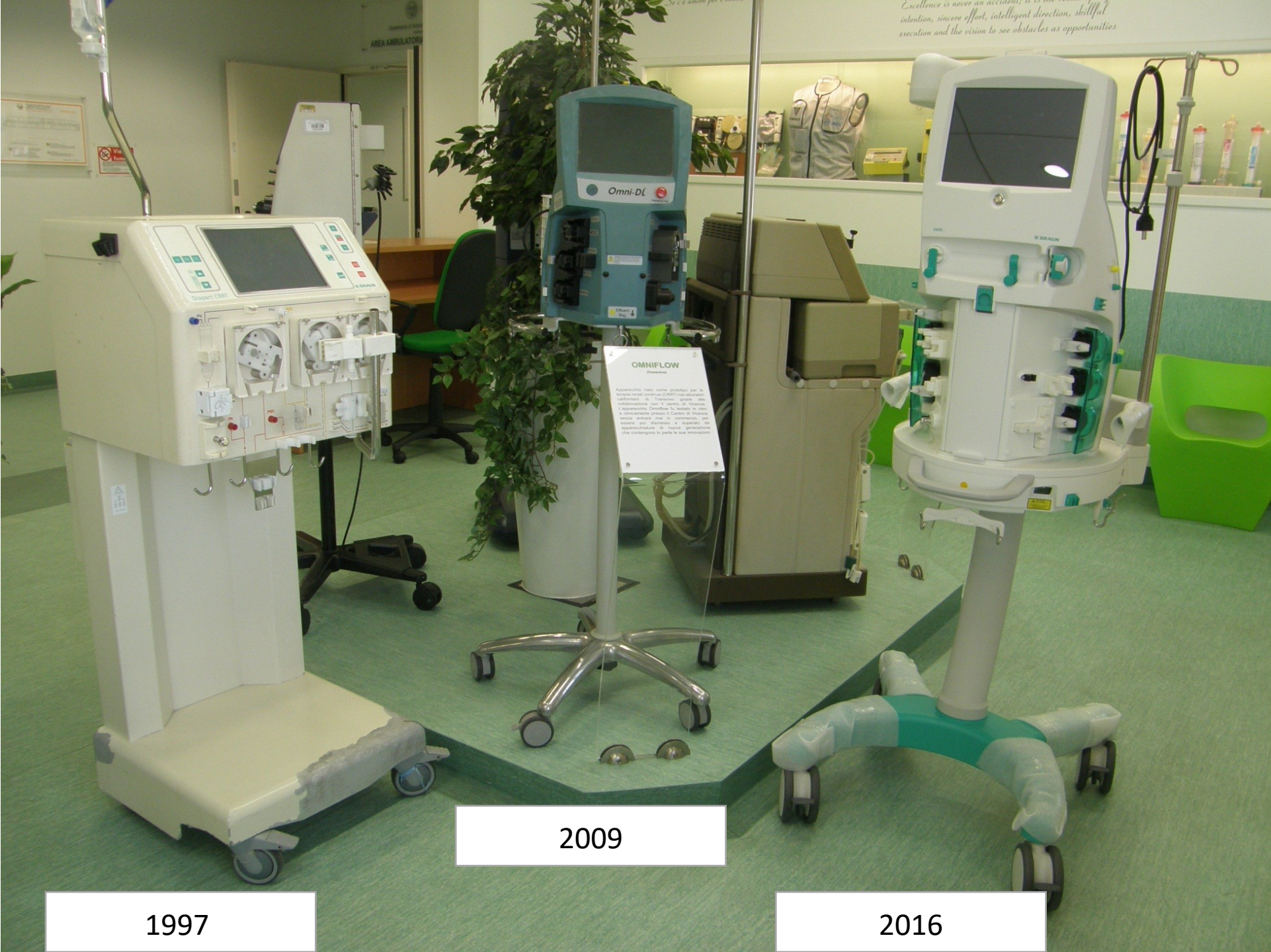




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OMNIFLOW
Therapeutic
Apparecchio nato come prototipo per la
terapia renal sostitutiva (CRRT) nei pazienti
admissionati al trattamento, grazie alla
collaborazione con il Centro di Viareggio.
L'apparecchio Omnicare è nato in seno
a un'attività di ricerca e sviluppo che
ha portato alla nascita di Omnicare, per
rispondere alle esigenze di terapia
appartinenti alla nuova generazione
che contengono in parte le sue innovazioni.

The cockpit Evolution



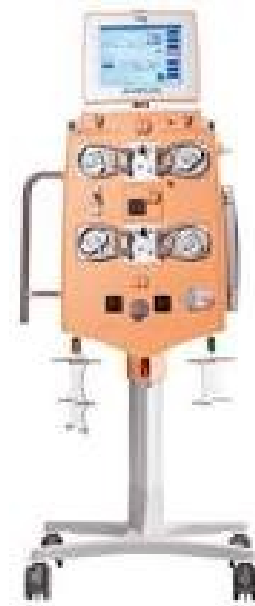
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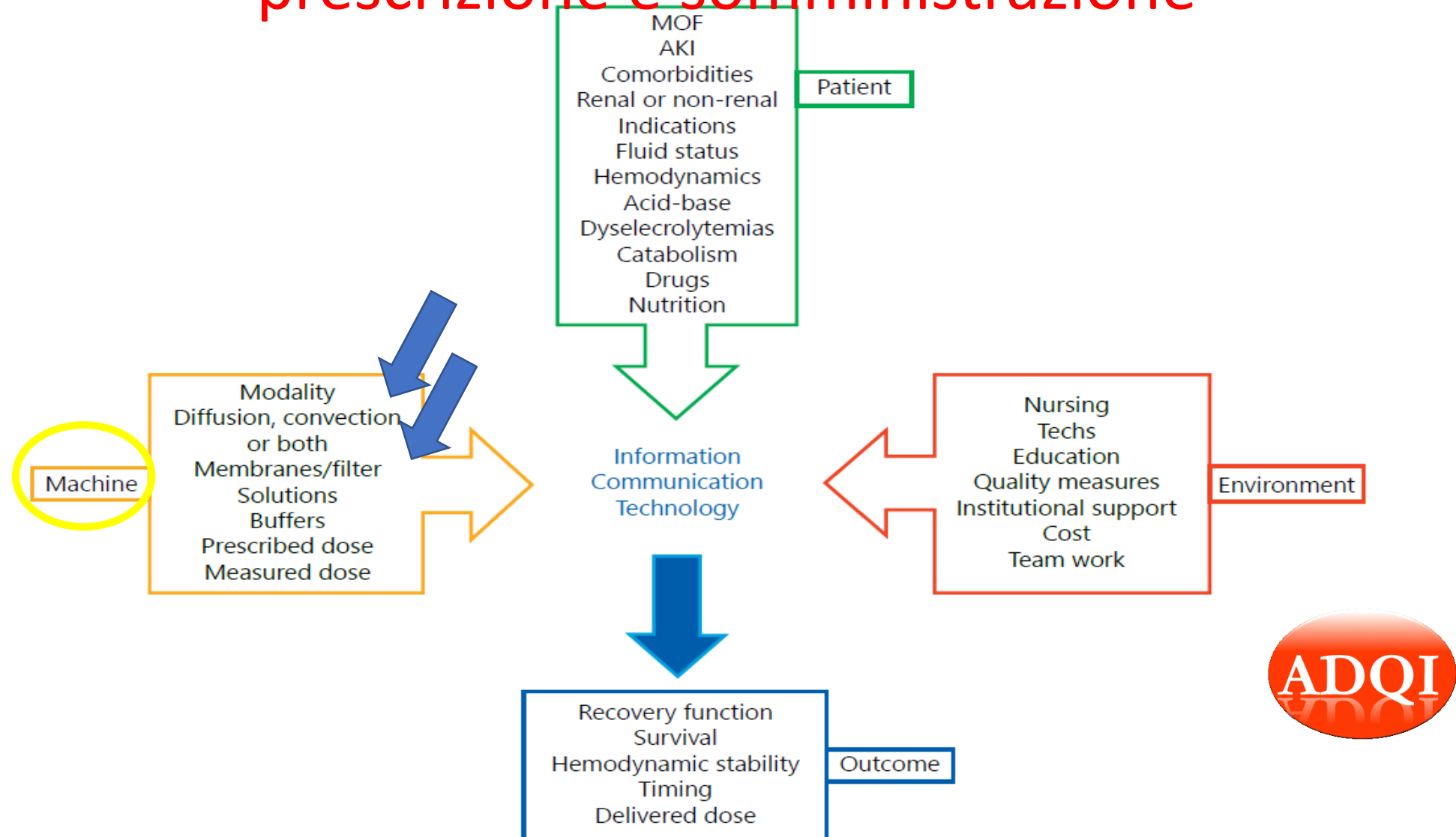
2008



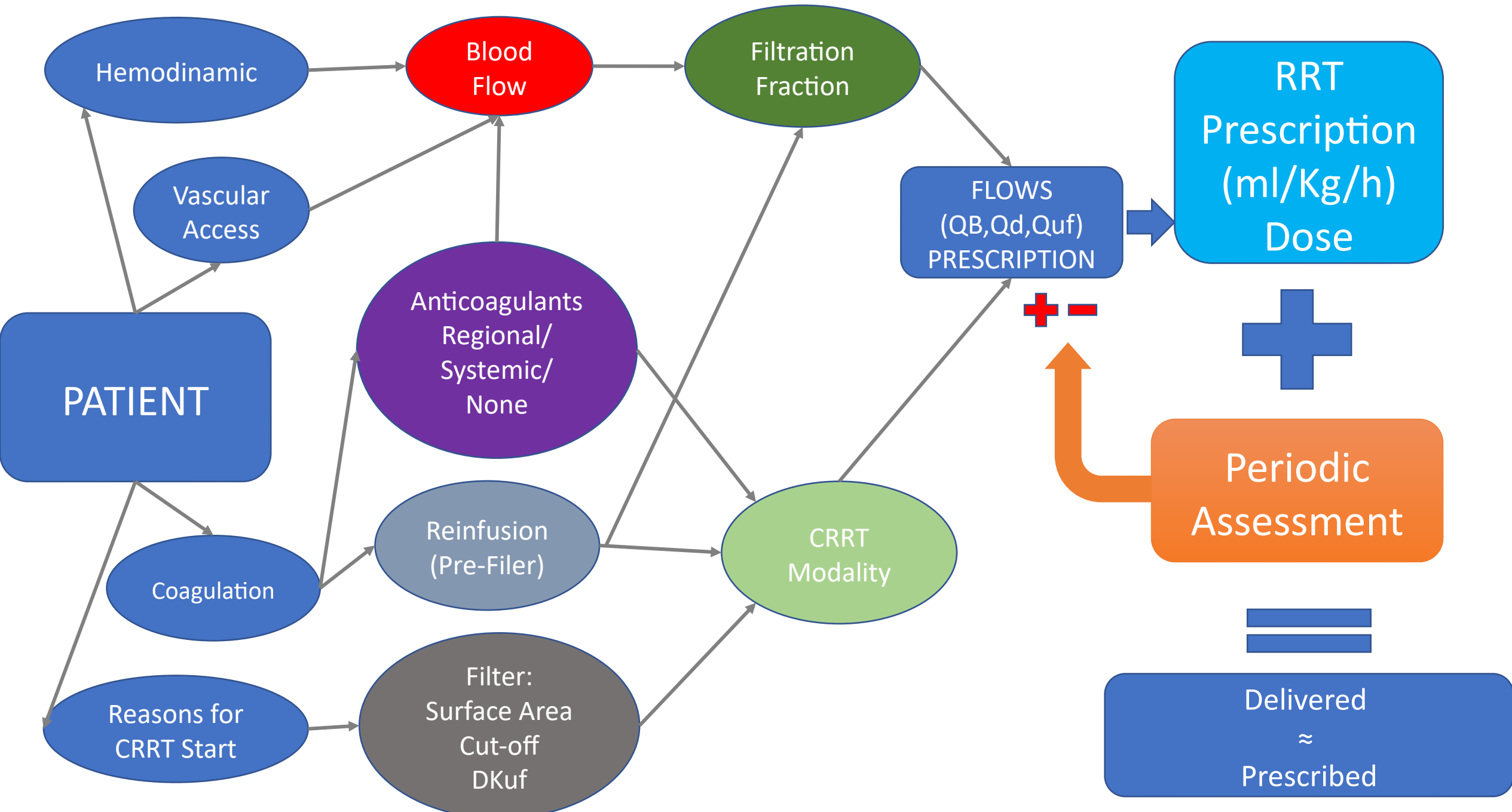
2022



Fattori che favoriscono una adeguata prescrizione e somministrazione



The complexity of a CRRT



...how to reach the goal?

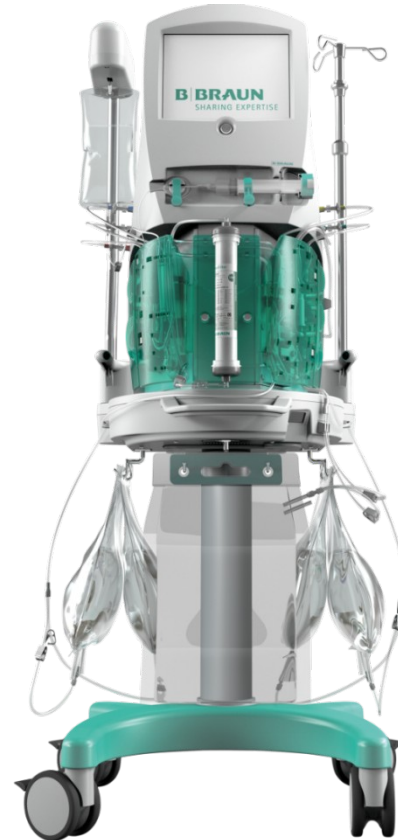


Dose e nuove tecnologie

- Adequate dose delivery with minimal deviations from prescribed values. This can be achieved in different ways depending on hardware and software integration.



The Novel PrisMax Continuous Renal Replacement Therapy System in a Multinational, Multicentre Pilot Setting



A First Evaluation of OMNI[®], A New Device for Continuous Renal Replacement Therapy



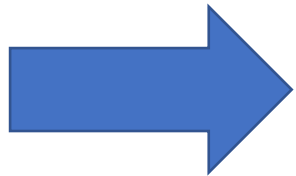
Development of the New Kibou[®] Equipment for Continuous Renal Replacement Therapy from Scratch to the Final Configuration

Delivered renal dose was 96.6% of prescribed

the landmark report by the National Confidential Enquiry into Patient Outcome and Death (NCEPOD)



Only 50% of hospitalized patients dying with AKI received 'good' care, and fewer than a third with hospital-acquired AKI received adequate care



develop new standards
for high-quality care for AKI and acute RRT
patients

Evaluating the quality of medical care - 50 Years Later



Evaluating the Quality of Medical Care

AVEDIS DONABEDIAN

THIS PAPER IS AN ATTEMPT TO DESCRIBE AND evaluate current methods for assessing the quality of medical care and to suggest some directions for further study. It is con-

Avedis Donabedian and The Birth of Healthcare Quality Evaluation...

A triad of: structure, process, and outcome to evaluate the quality of health care



Quality indicators of continuous renal replacement therapy (CRRT) care in critically ill patients: a systematic review

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QIs were classified as related to:

- structure ($n = 4$, 22.2 %),
- care processes ($n = 9$, 50.0 %), and
- outcomes ($n = 5$, 27.8 %).

The most commonly mentioned QIs focused on:

- filter lifespan ($n = 98$),
- small solute clearance ($n = 46$)
- bleeding ($n = 30$),
- delivered dose ($n = 19$), and
- treatment interruption ($n = 5$)

Across studies, the definitions used for QIs evaluating similar constructs varied considerably. When identified, QIs were most commonly described as important ($n = 144$, 48.3 %), scientifically acceptable ($n = 32$, 10.7 %), and useable and/or feasible ($n = 17$, 5.7 %) by their primary study authors.

2 MONITORAGGIO E ANALISI

TRUEVUE ANALYTICS™ PERMETTE DI MISURARE LE METRICHE CHIAVE DEL TRATTAMENTI CRF

Baxter
TrueVue Therapy Management

TrueVue Analytics riceve i dati dal cloud e popola una dashboard CRRT che misura e traccia le **metriche chiave** come la **durata del filtro**, gli allarmi e la dose erogata.

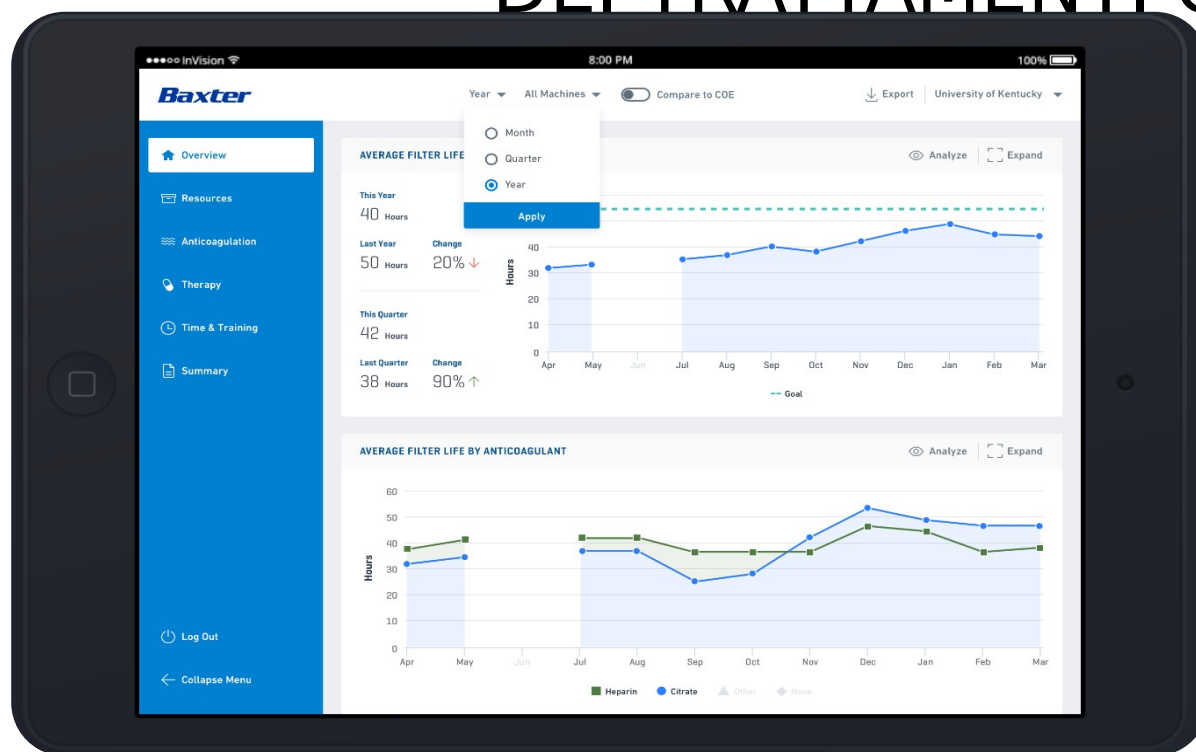
TrueVue Analytics :



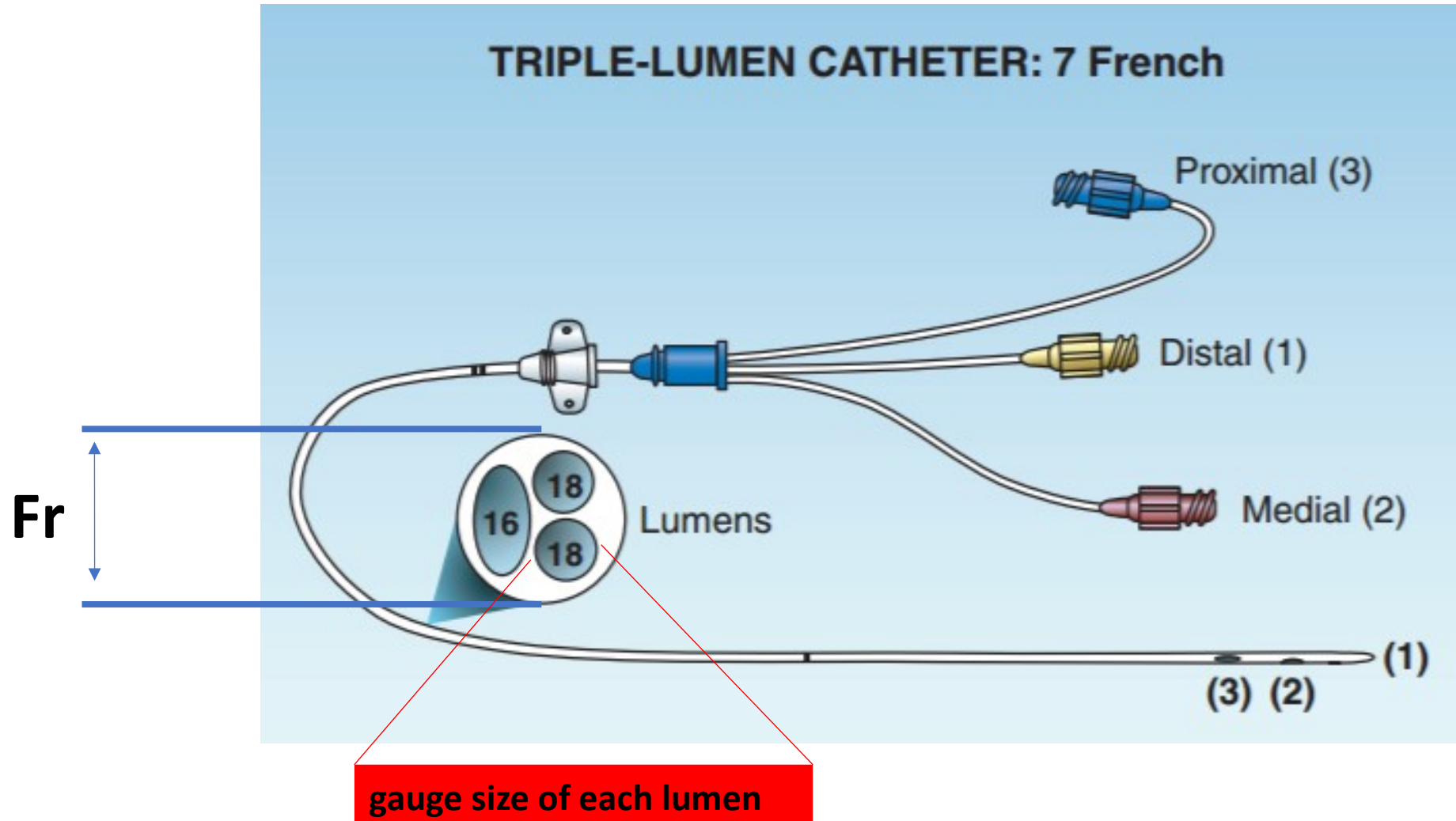
CONSENTE ai medici di valutare i trend e le metriche di performance del proprio centro rispetto a degli obiettivi.



FAVORISCE l'individuazione di indicatori e standard di qualità interni



Central Venous Catheters

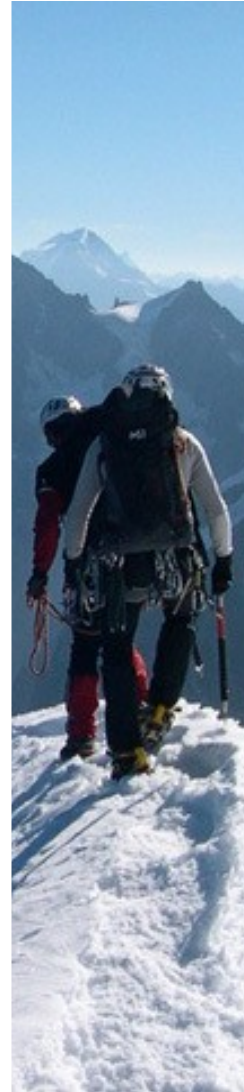


maximize blood flow while minimizing vessel trauma

Rheology
Poiseuille Law

The largest and shortest catheter should be best

Hagen-Poiseuille equation (4).
 $Q = \Delta P \times (\pi r^4 / 8\mu L)$



Patient

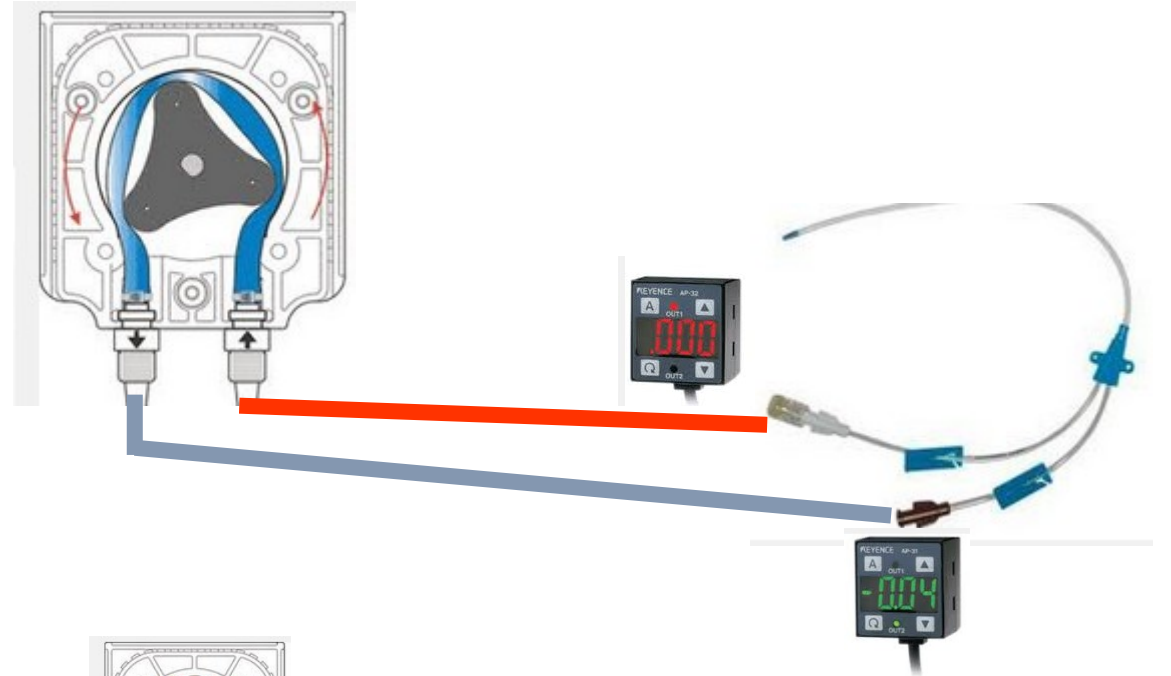
The thinner and longer catheter should be best

French ~ 3 x diameter of vessel

Pumps and catheters: effect on pressure variation

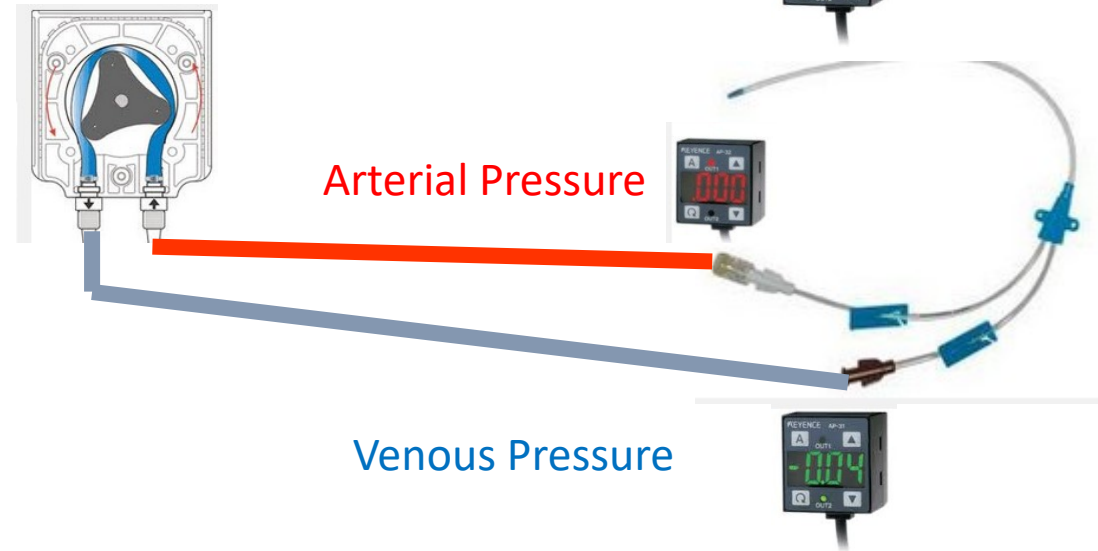
Classic Pump

Adults Chronic/Acute machine



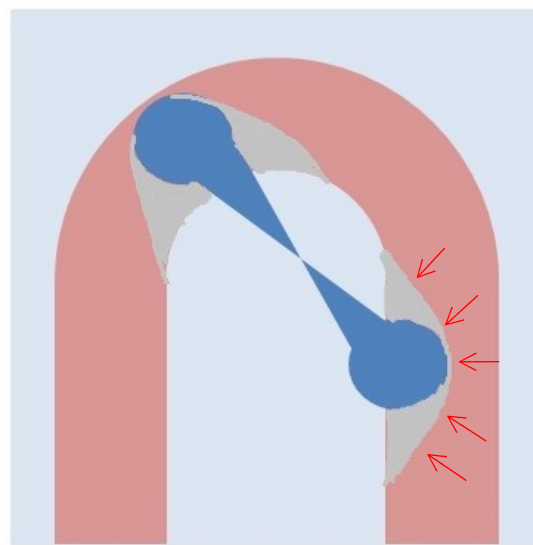
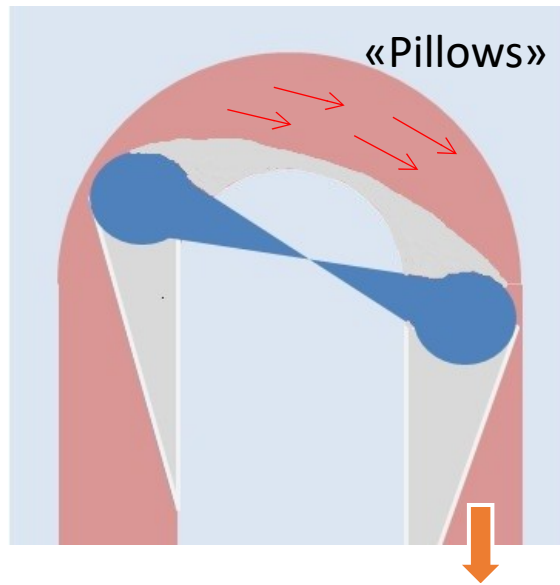
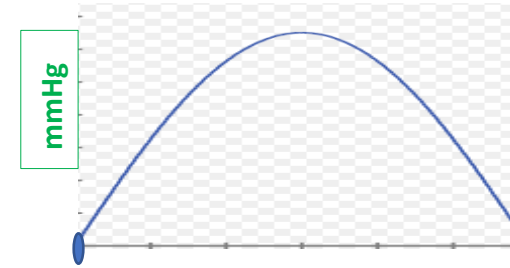
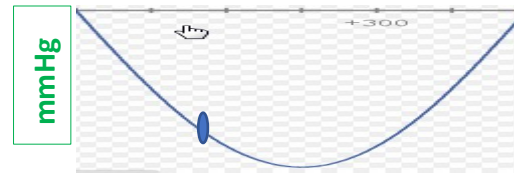
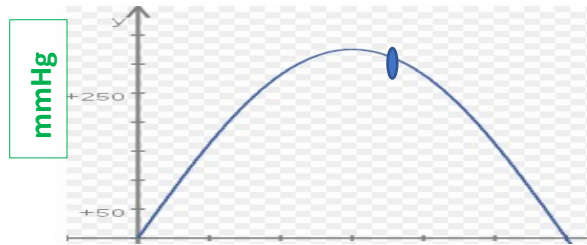
Carpediem Pump

Catheter Size:
4 Fr and 5 Fr

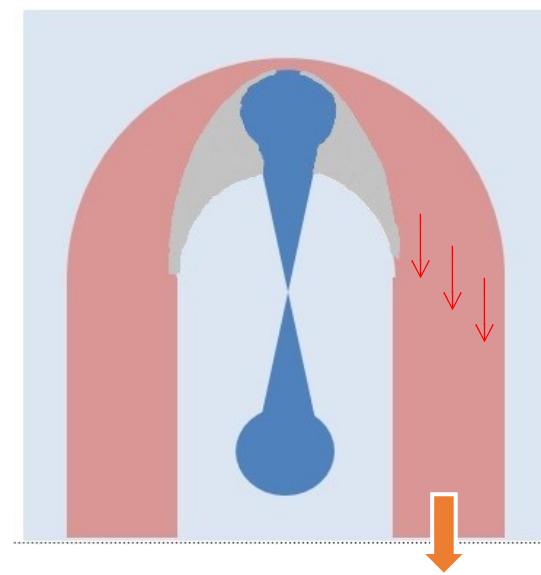


Flow in Peristaltic Pumping

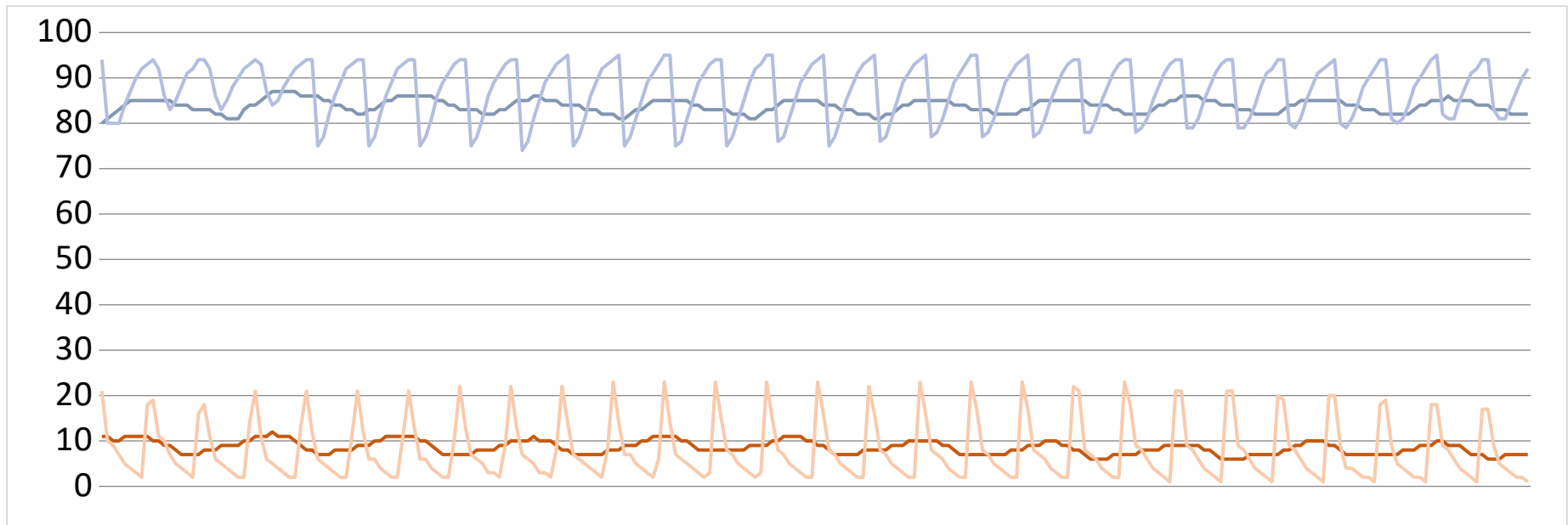
Alternating pillows and voids cause fluid flow to be pulsated, rather than smooth and continuous



Tubing behind the rollers recovers its shape.



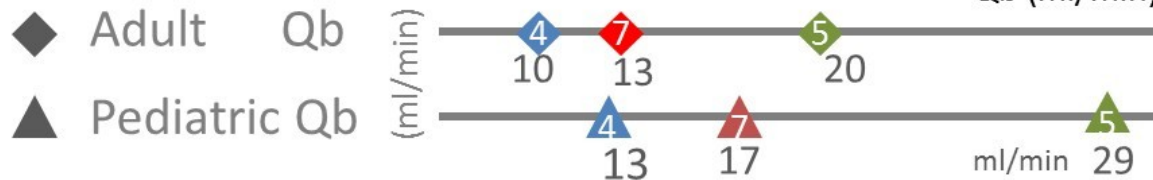
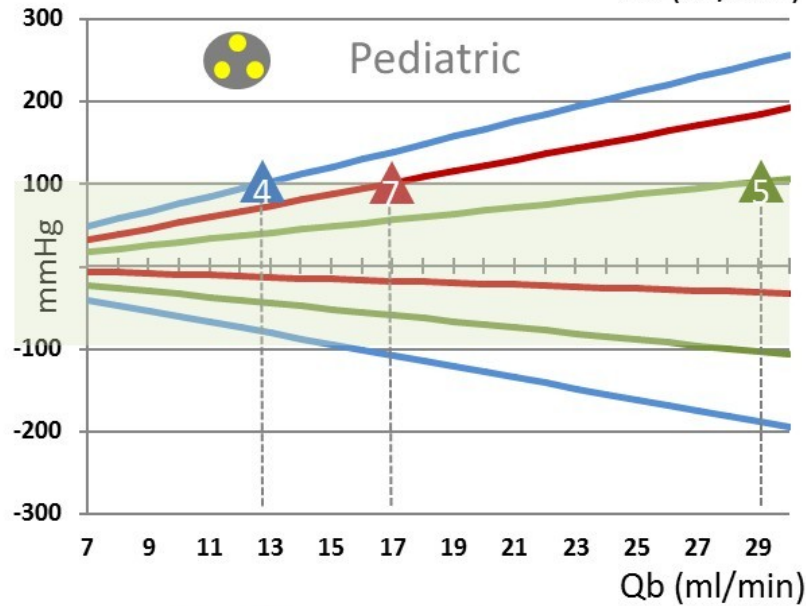
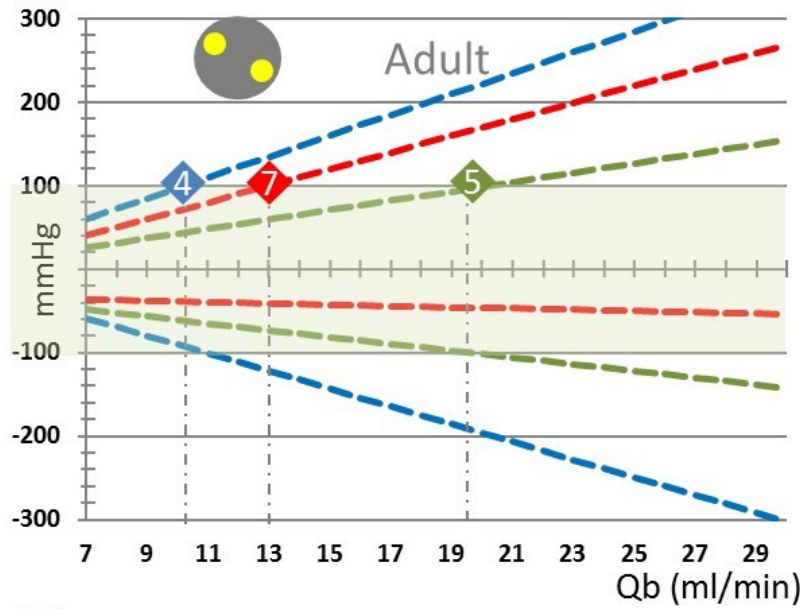
Big Pump VS Small Pump



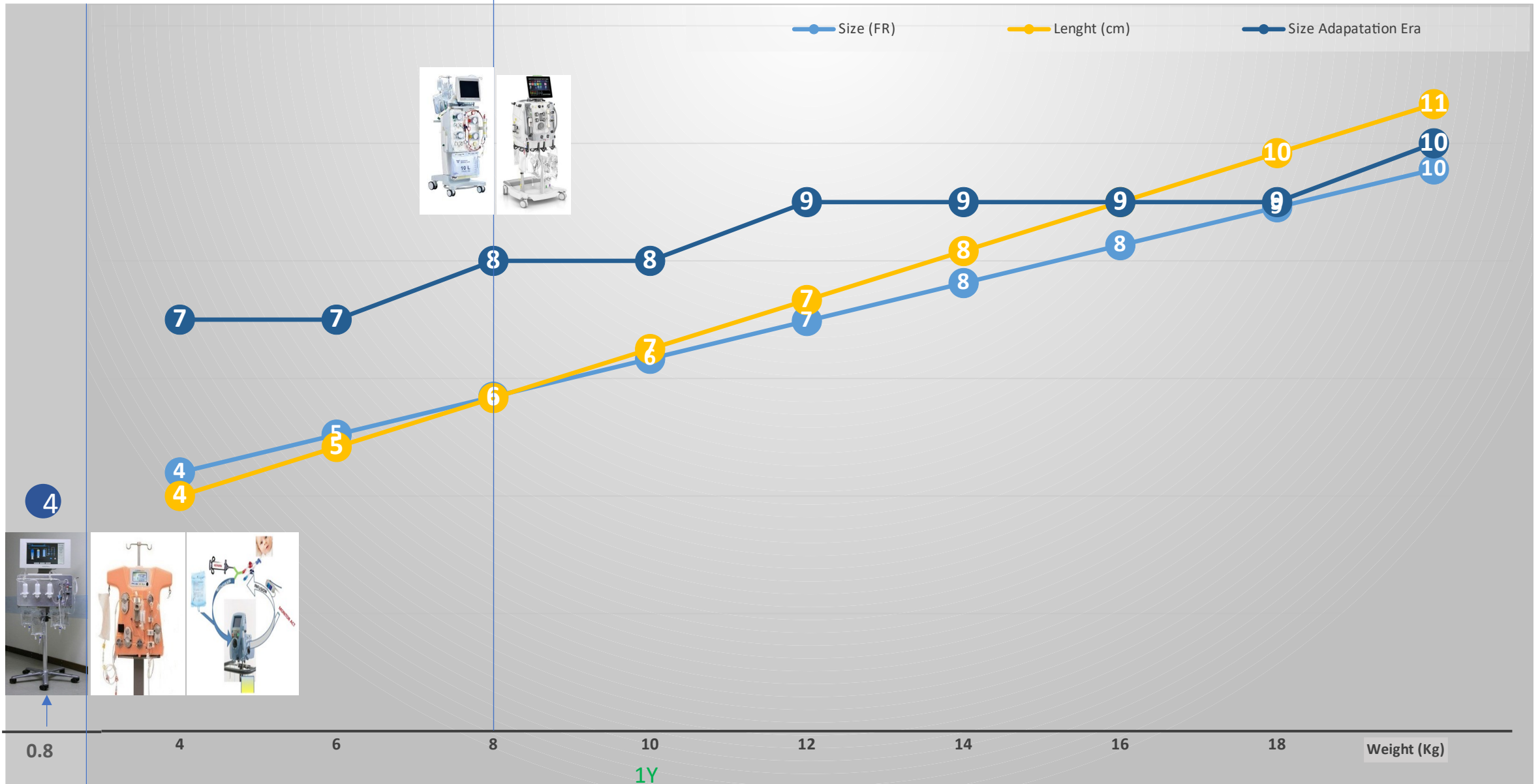
P-Q Circuit Pressures

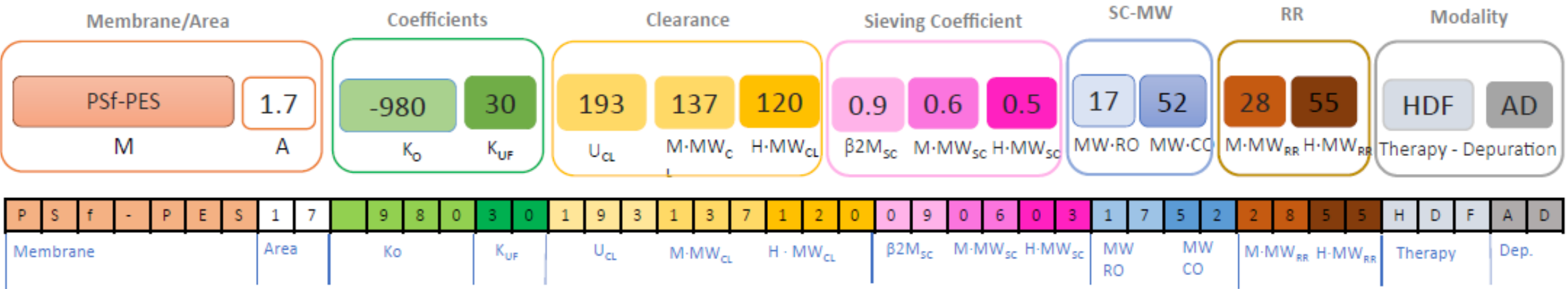
Choice of Catheter Size for Infants in Continuous Renal Replacement Therapy: Bigger Is Not Always Better*

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The optimal access for CRRT





- M Membrane Material/s**
- A Area (m²)**
- K_O urea mass transfer coefficient***
- K_{UF} (mL/h/ mmHg)***
- U_{CL} Urea Clearance (mL/min)***
- M·MW_{CL} Middle MW Clearance** (mL/min)**
- H·MW_{CL} High MW Clearance*** (mL/min)**
- β2M_{SC} β2M Sieving Coefficient**
- M·MW_{SC} Middle MW Sieving Coefficient****
- H·MW_{SC} High MW Sieving Coefficient*****
- MW·RO MW Retention Onset (Kda)**
- MW·CO MW Cut-Off (Kda)**
- M·MW_{RR} Middle MW Reduction Rate****
- H·MW_{RR} High MW Reduction Rate*****

$$RR(\%) = \left(1 - \frac{C_{Post}}{C_{Pre}}\right) \times 100$$

*SC QB=300 mL/min; QUF=0.2*QB (ISO8637); Kuf: HCT 32%, 37°C
 *KO, Clearance (QB = 300 mL/min, QD = 500mL/min, QUF=0)
 **MW ≥ 17 KDa (the molecule used has to be specified for standardization)
 ***MW ≥ 40 KDa (the molecule used has to be specified for standardization)

Legend: SC Sieving Coefficient, RR Reduction Rate (%), MW Molecular Weight (KDa)

Membrane:
 CTA cellulose triacetate
 CUP Cuprophane

**MMW: Myoglobin (17.2 kDa)
 ***HMW : sFLC λ (50 kDa)

THOUGHTS AND PROGRESS



The Dialyzer Identification Code (DIC): A filter characteristics codification for dialyzer choice in renal replacement therapy

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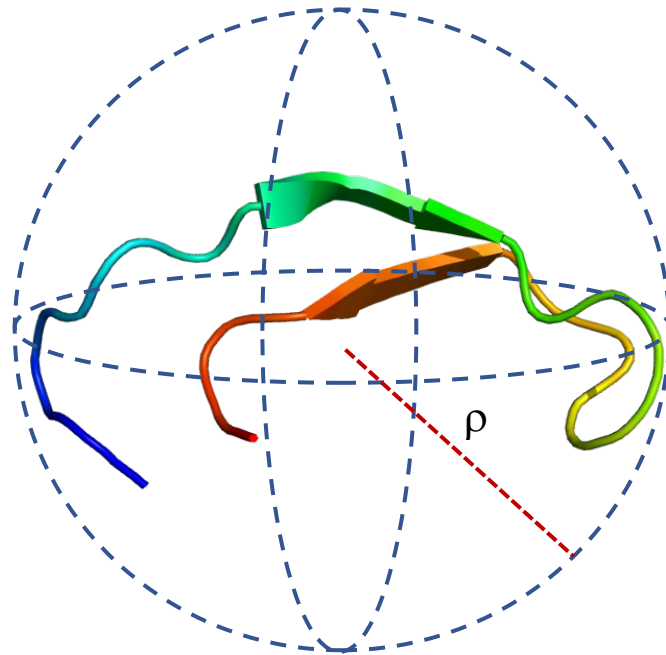
PES Polyethersulfone
 PMMA Polymethylmethacrylate
 PSf Polysulfone

Therapy
 HD Hemodialysis
 HDx Expanded HD
 HFD HighFluxDialysis
 HDF Hemodiafiltration
 HF Hemofiltration
 HFR HF with endogenous reinfusion
 AFB Acetate Free Biofiltration

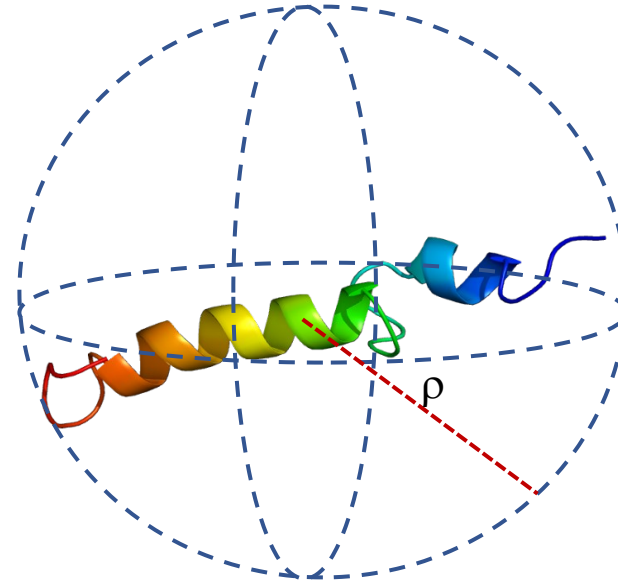
Main depuration process
 DI Diffusion
 CO Convection
 AD Adsorption
 IF Internal-Filtration
 RO Replacement On-Line
 RB Replacement Bag
 RE Replacement Endogenous



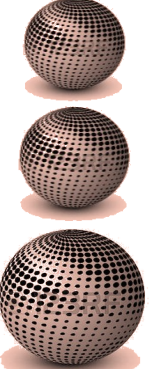

The Molecular Radius

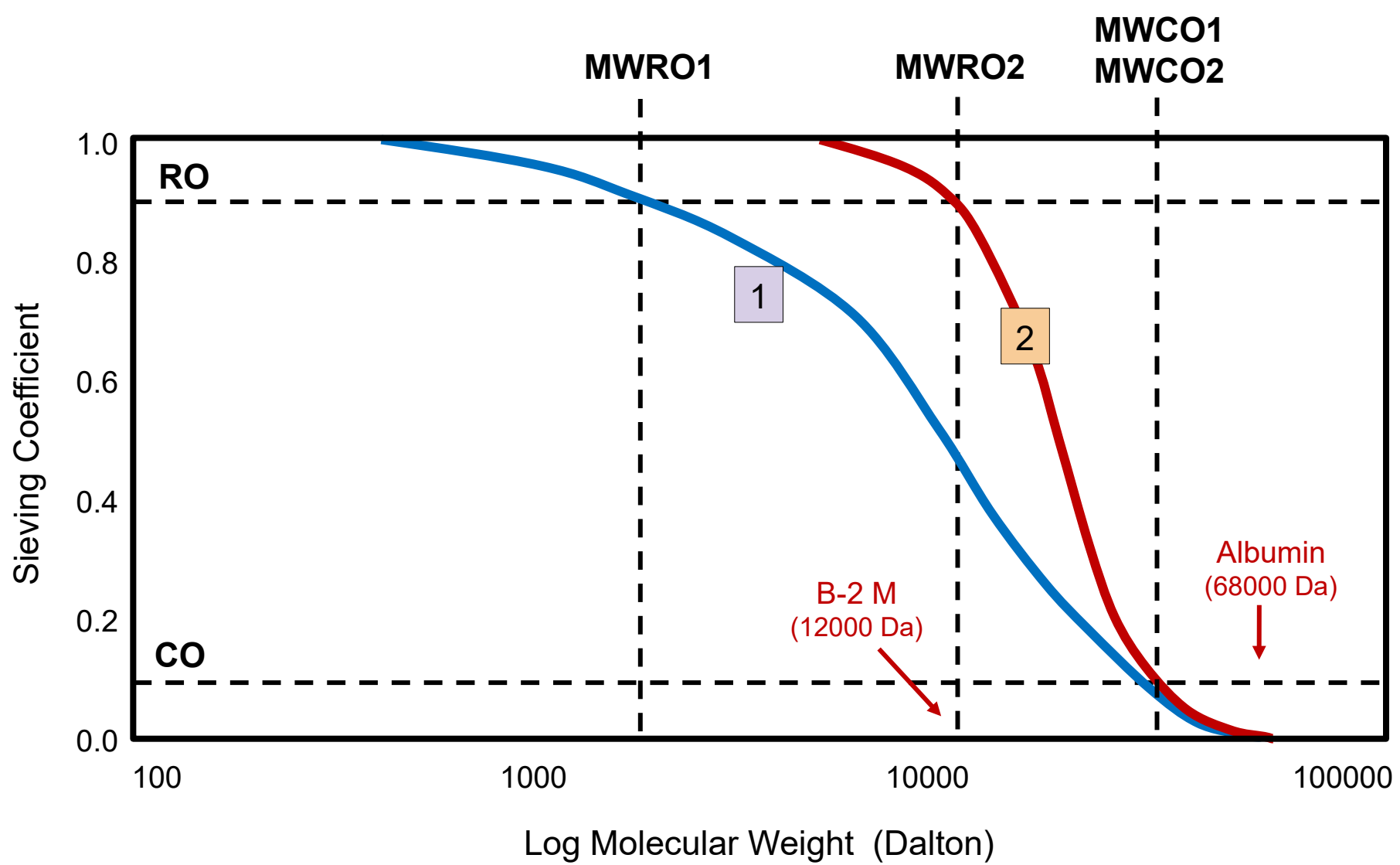
Hepcidin Anti Microbial Peptide
MW: 27000 Da



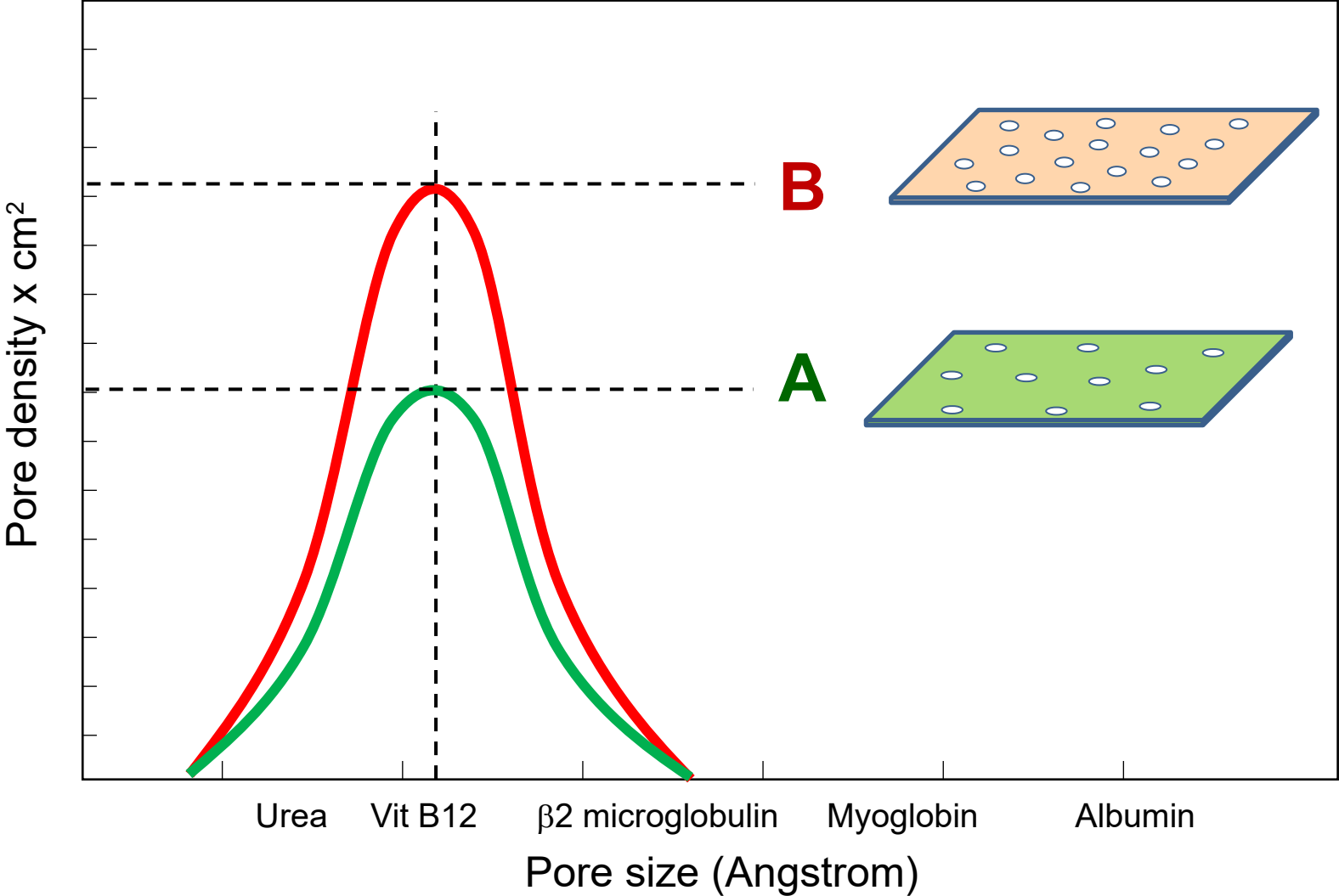
Parathyroid Hormon
MW: 9300 Da



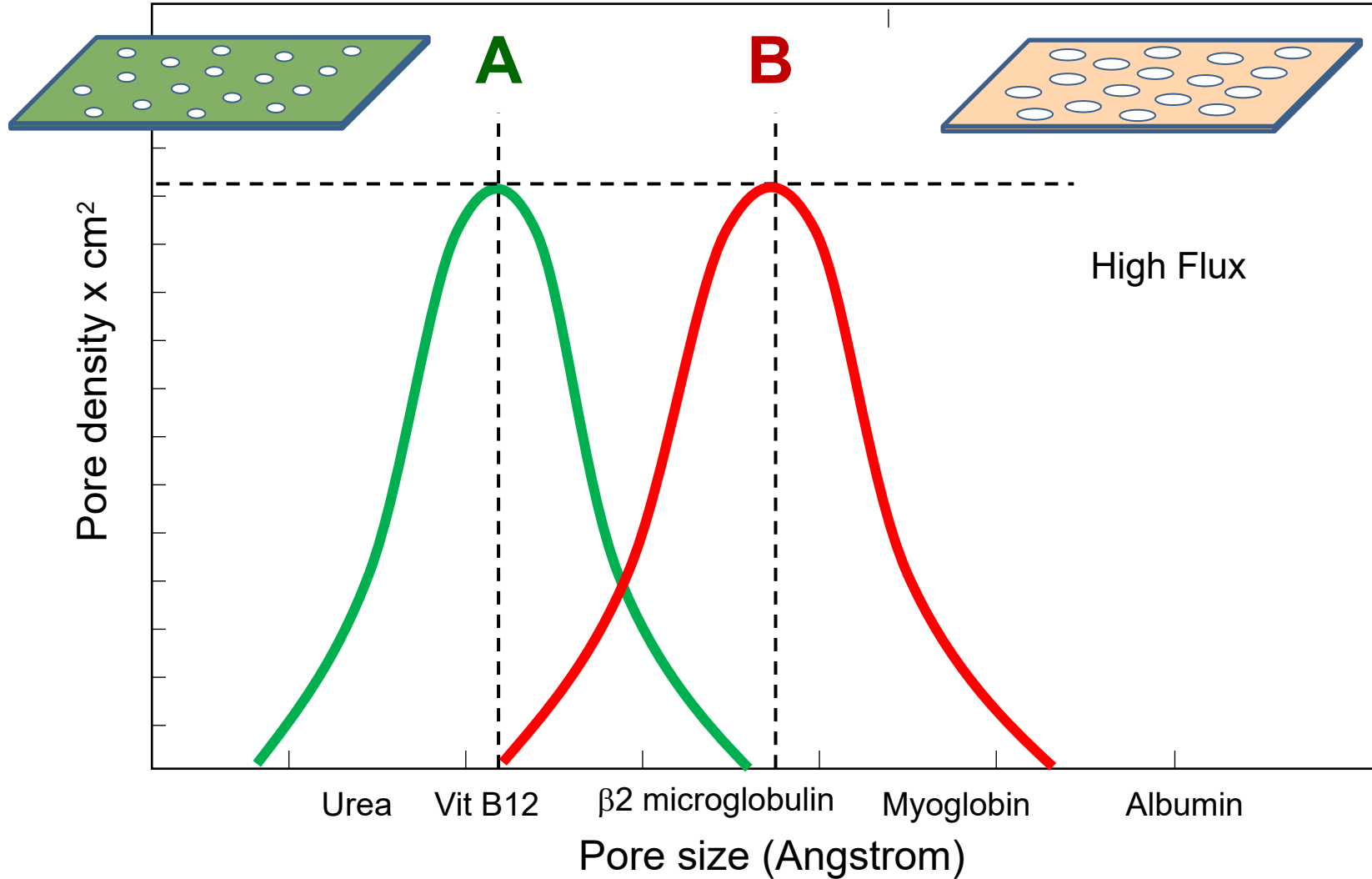
	SOLUTE	MW (Da)	Class	Action/Effect
	Urea	60	Small	General toxicity
	Creatinine	125		
	Vitamin B12	1250		
	β 2 M	12000	Middle	Amiloidosis CTS Malnutrition Organ damage
	Leptin	16000		
	Myoglobin	17000		
	κ -FLC	23000	Large	Toxicity Infertility Inflammation Anemia CV Toxicity Acute Phase Prot. CV Toxicity Inflammation
	Prolactin	23000		
	Interleukin-6	25000		
	Hepcidin	27000		
	Bound P-Cresol	33500		
	Pentraxin-3	43000		
	λ -FLC	45000		
TNF- α (Trim)	51000			
	Albumin	68000	Essential protein	Toxin binding capacity



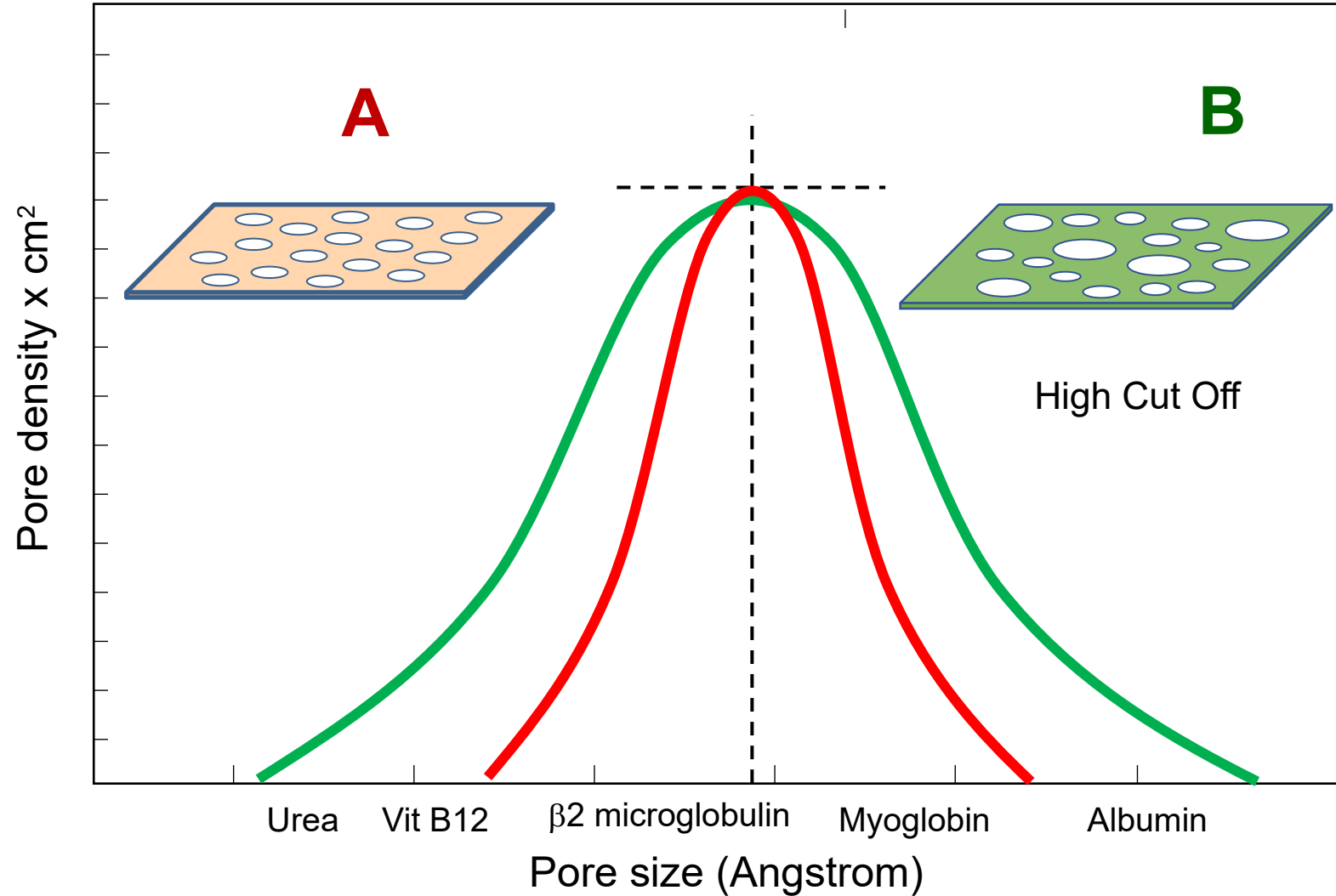
Membrane Pore Density

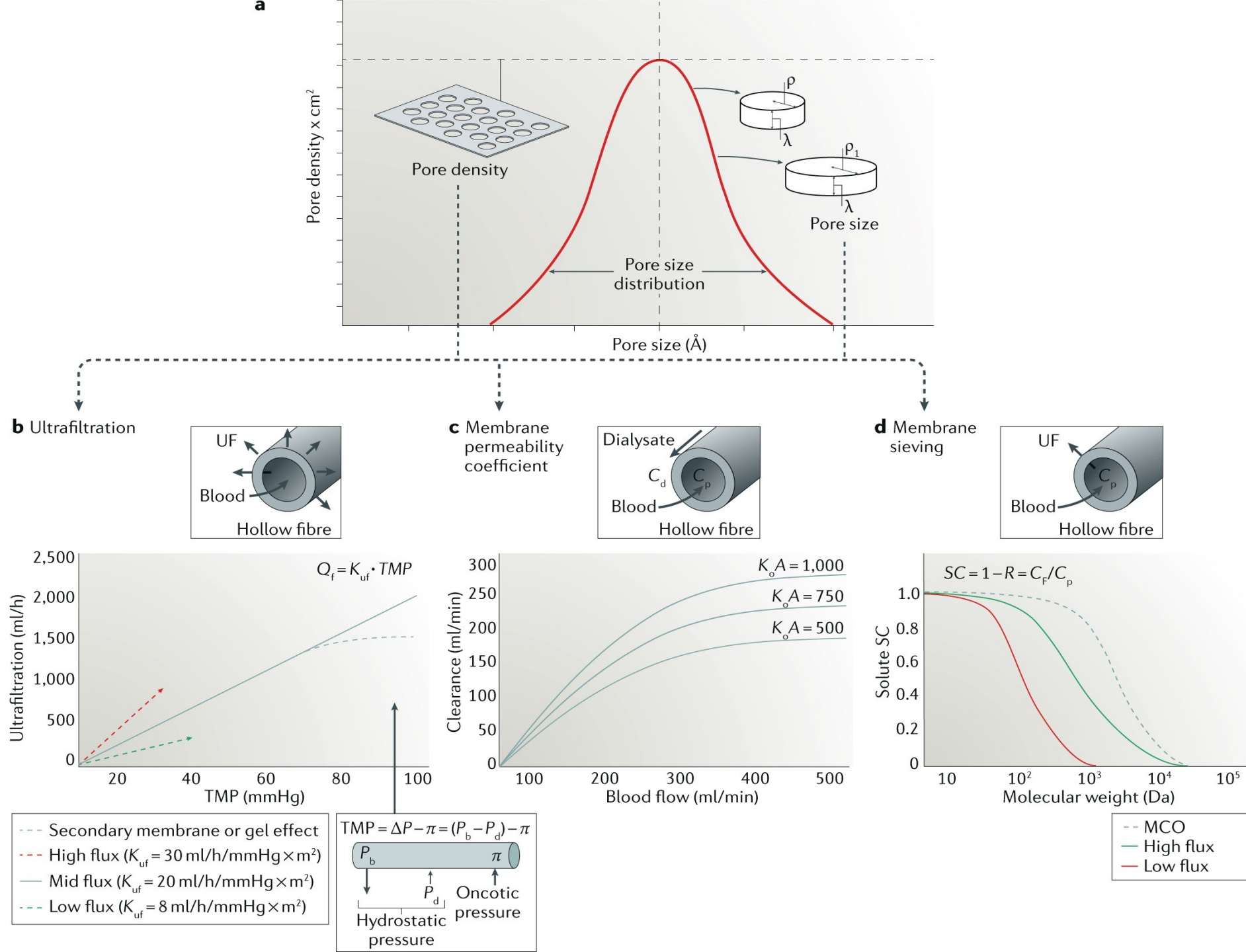


Membrane Pore Size

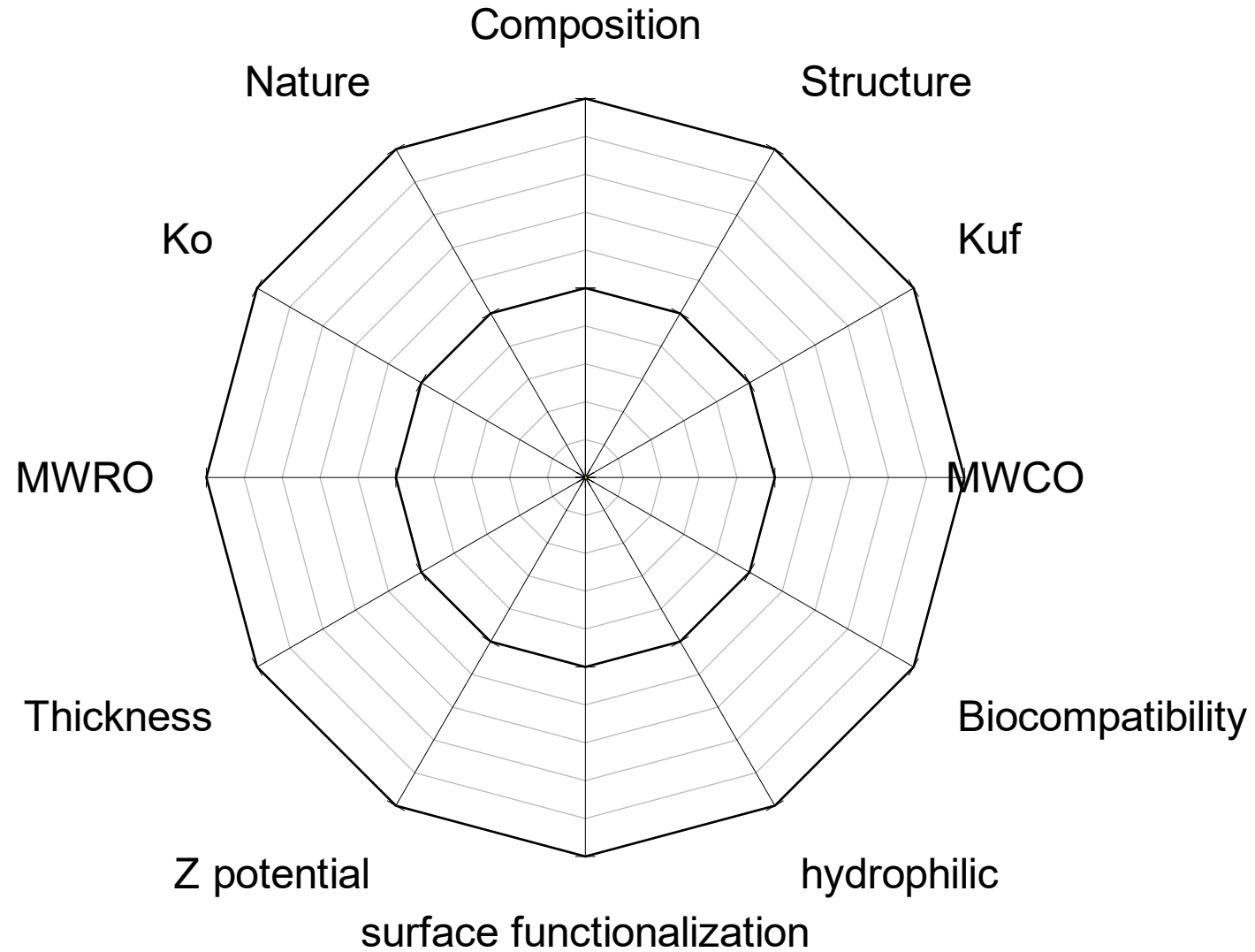


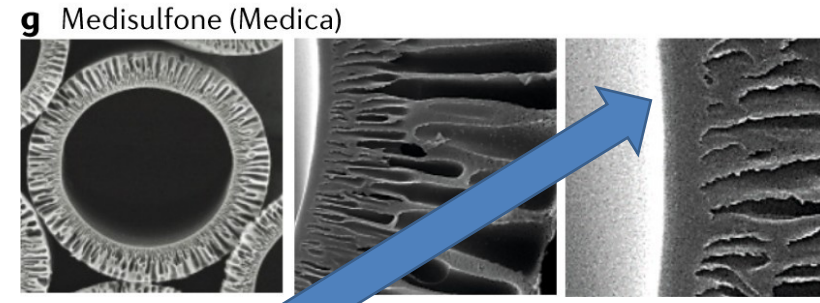
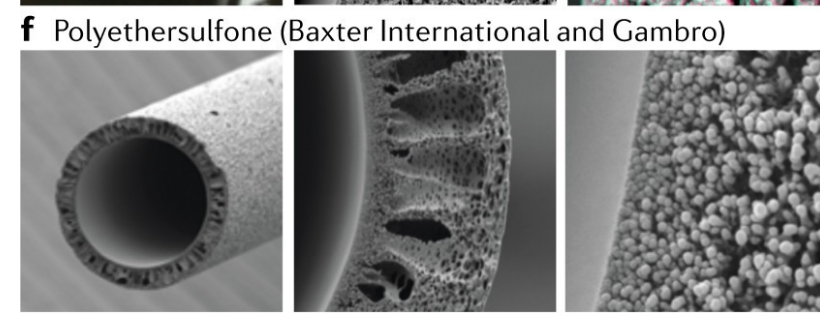
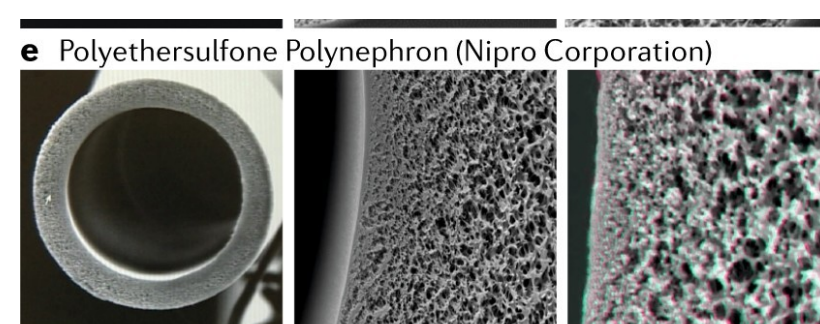
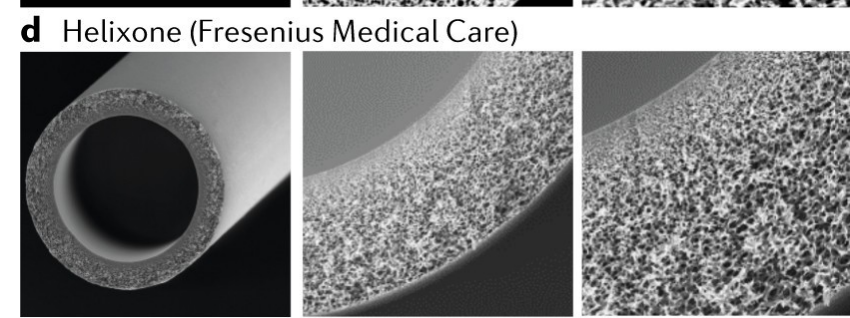
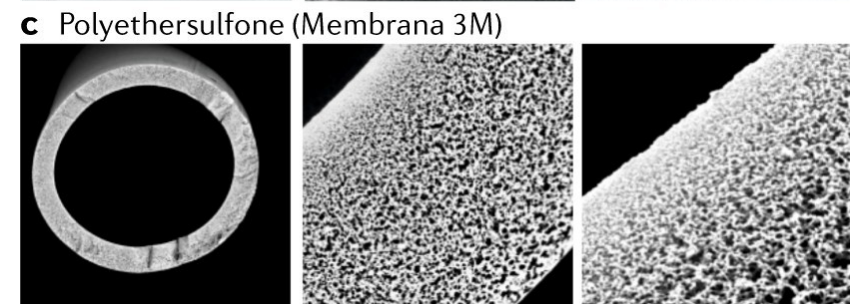
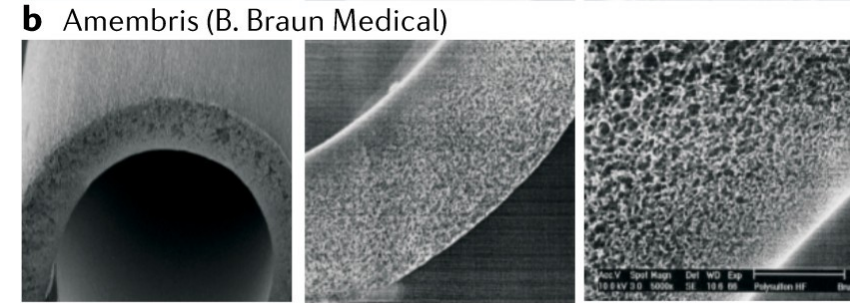
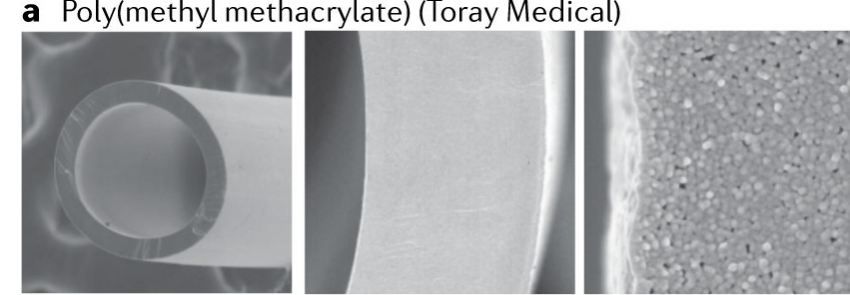
Membrane Pore Size Distribution





Multidimensional Membrane Evaluation





Thin inner 'skin' layer (width approximately $\leq 1 \mu\text{m}$) at the membrane-blood interface serves as the **primary size-discriminating element in solute removal**.

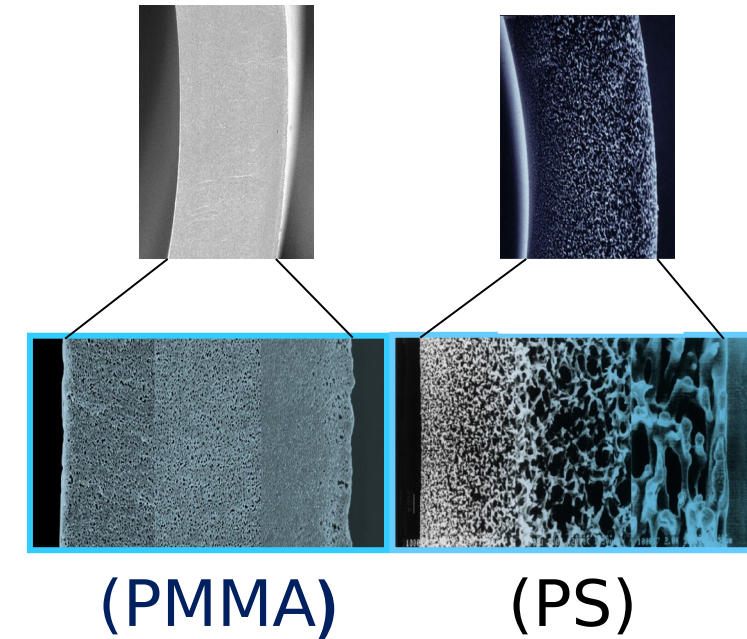
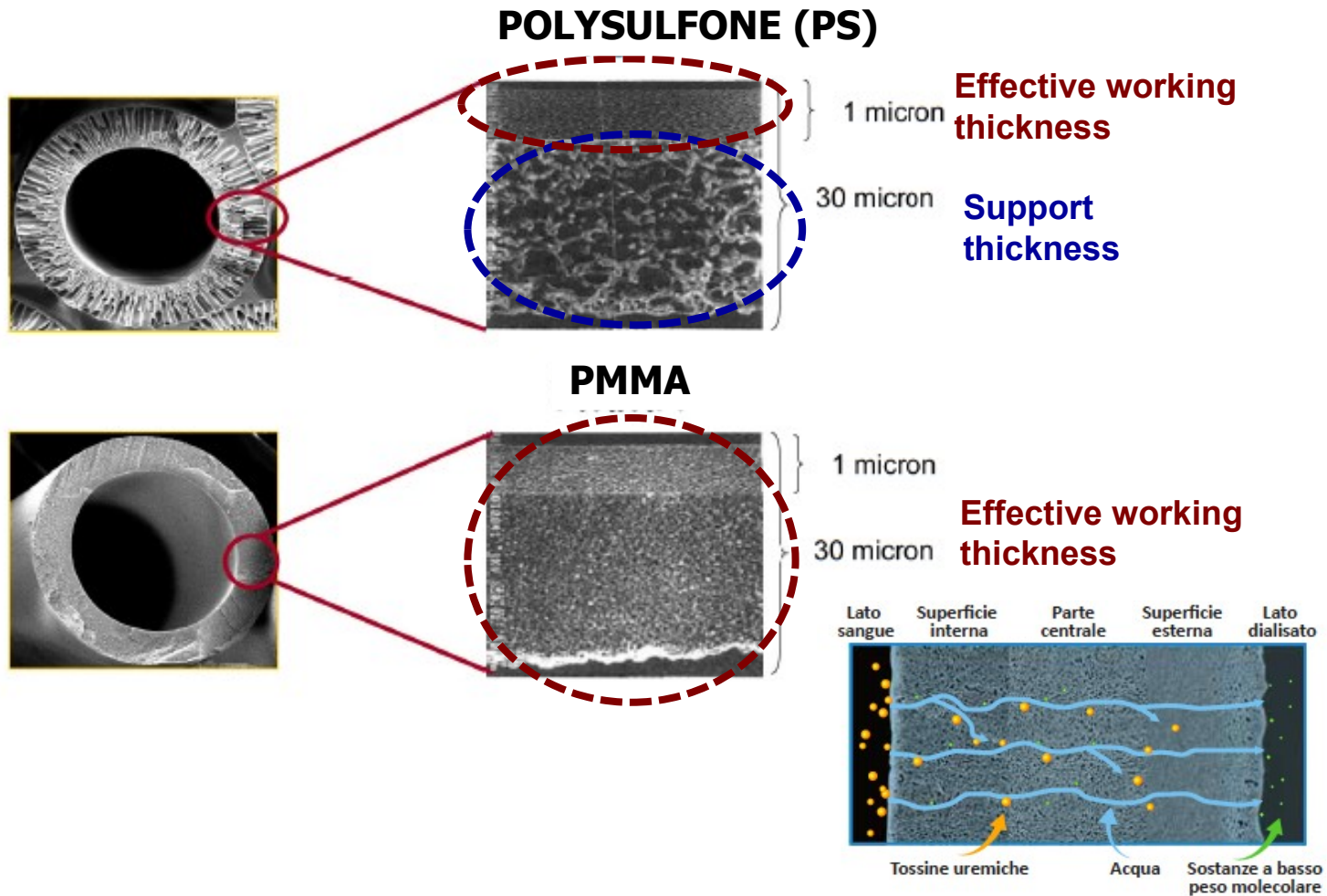
The remaining wall thickness (the 'stroma') acts as a support structure that also provides a substantial surface area for the removal of molecules by **adsorption**. As opposed to the compact nature of the skin layer, the structure of the stroma is relatively open ('macroporous') and typically has a sponge-like or finger-type structure

Haemodialysis membranes, Ronco

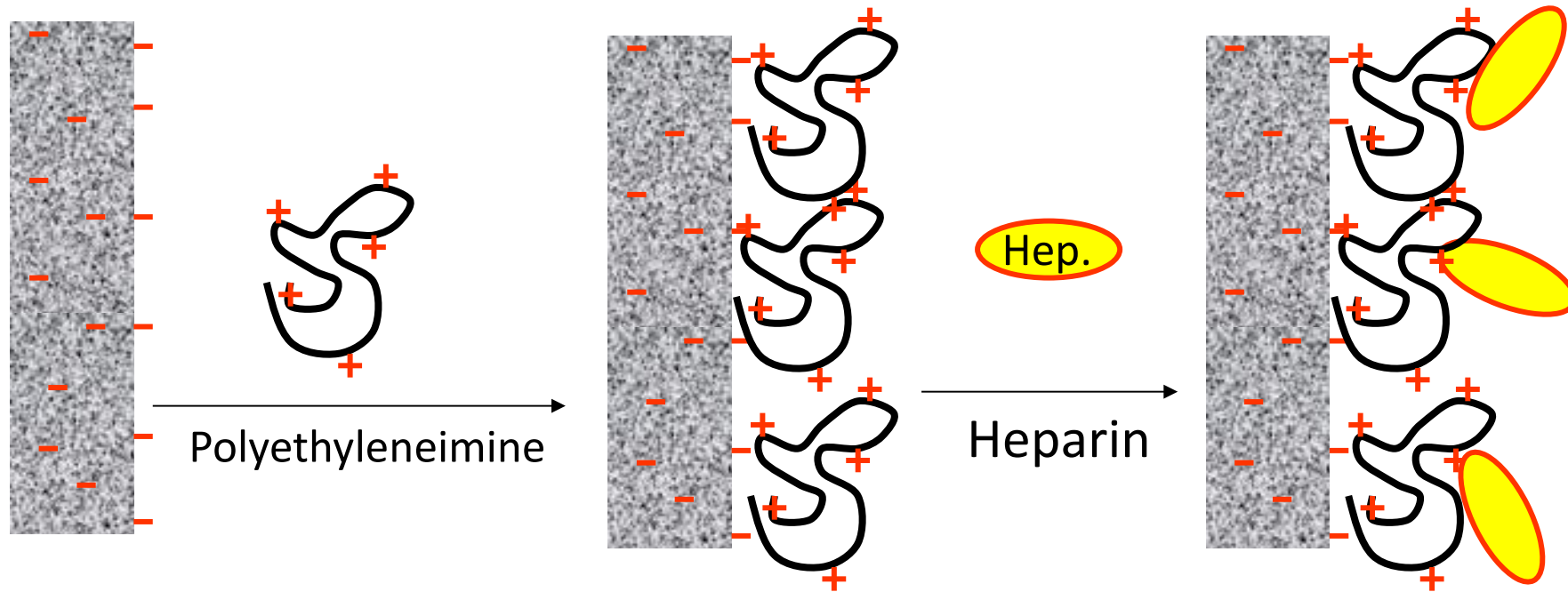
DIALYZER STRUCTURE AND MEMBRANE COMPATIBILITY

Are all dialytic membranes the same?

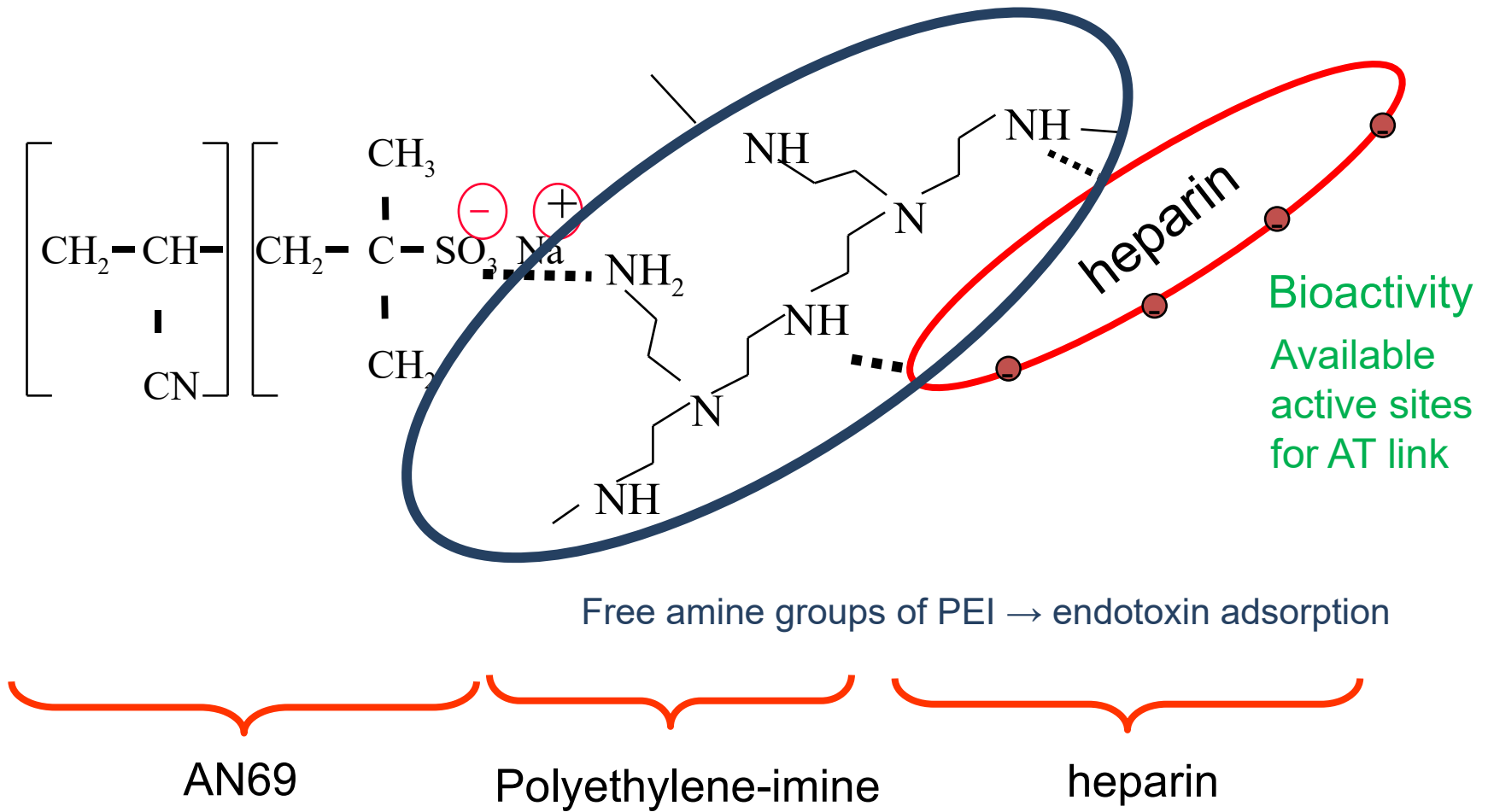
POLYMETHYLMETHACRYLATE (PMMA) – MEMBRANE STRUCTURE



AN69 ST* and Heparin Adsorption



oXiris Membrane - Material



Membrane separation VS solute adsorption

Extracorporeal blood purification can be achieved by different mass separation processes:

Diffusion, as in standard hemodialysis or CVVHD

convection as in hemofiltration CVVH

or their combination as in hemodiafiltration (HDF) CVVHDF

While these techniques are based on membrane separation, a third mechanism, solute adsorption, is based on **mass separation by a solid agent (sorbent)**

Understanding of critical care pathophysiology and hyperinflammatory diseases, each patient requires a tailored approach

Sorbents

Sorbents are generally produced in granules, beads, or fibers.

They are solid particles with a diameter generally ranging between 50 μm and 1.2 cm.

The surface-area-to-volume ratio (S/V) is extremely high with a surface area varying from 300 to 1200 m^2/g .

Sorbents are classified according to the size of the pores of their inner structure as a) Macro-porous (Pore size $>500 \text{ \AA}$), b) Mesoporous (Pore size 20–500 \AA) and c) Micro-porous (Pore size $<20 \text{ \AA}$)

Table 1 Development of sorbents and application in extracorporeal therapies

1850 First inorganic aluminosilicates (zeolites) used to exchange NH_4 and Ca^{++}

1910 Water softeners using zeolites display instability in the presence of mineral acids

1935 Adams and Holmes synthesize the first organic polymer ion exchange resin

1948 First published application of hemoperfusion using an ionic resin to treat uremia in dogs

1950s Application of synthetic porous polymers (trade names: Amberlyte, Duolite, Dowex) to experimental blood purification

1958. Use of ion exchange resin to treat a patient with barbiturate poisoning

1960s Clinical use of hemoperfusion with ion exchange resins to remove salicylate and phenobarbital in dogs

1970s Widespread application of coated charcoal and resins to the treatment of poisoning

1980s Application of coated charcoal and resins to the treatment of a variety of conditions (liver disease, vasculitis, and autoimmune diseases)

1990s Decreased interest in hemoperfusion with charcoal and resins and side effects reported more frequently with greater use

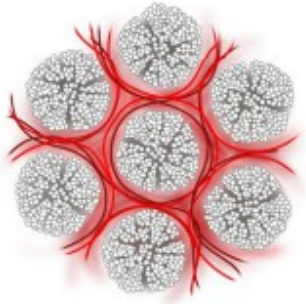
2000s Continued decrease in the use of hemoperfusion as dialysis membranes achieve better clearance, greater biocompatibility and lower cost and continuous renal replacement therapy spreads

2010s Improvements in coating and manufacturing and positive experimental work restore interest in hemoperfusion with growing numbers of reports

2020s Application of hemoperfusion to the management of inflammatory and/or septic states becomes more common

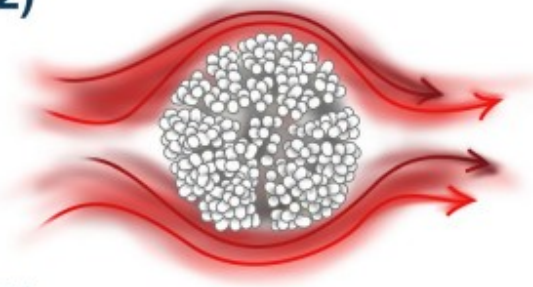
Permeation of the blood into the interparticle space – tortuous channels (space between beads). Characterized by the density of the beads and the density of the sorbent. The flow depends on the interparticle porosity and on the blood viscosity.

1)



Blood flow through the tortuous pathway
(interparticle)

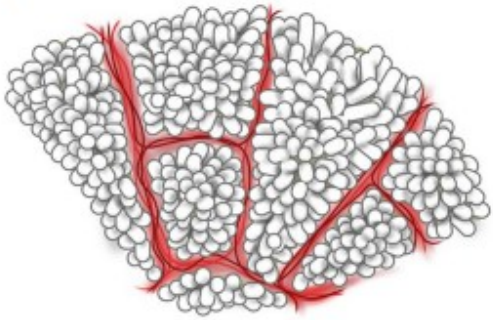
2)



Blood flow on the external surface of the bead
(interphase)

External mass transfer of the solute from the bulk fluid by convection through a thin film or boundary layers, to the outer surface of the sorbent

3)



Blood flow on the internal part of the bead
(intraparticle)

Internal mass transfer of the solute by pore diffusion from the outer surface of the adsorbent to the INNER surface of the internal porous structure

Hemoperfusion

Multiple organ failure following a septic event derives from immune dysregulation. Many of the mediators of this process are humoral factors (cytokines), which could theoretically be cleared by direct adsorption through a process called hemoperfusion.

Table 1 Currently available technologies

Sorbent polymer	Commercial name (manufacturer)	Amount of sorbent	Coating
Norit charcoal	Adsorba (Gambro)	100–300 g	Cellulose acetate
Polymyxin B	Toraymyxin (Estor)	–	–
Spherical charcoal	Hemosorba (Asahi)	170 g	Polyhema
Polystyrene divinyl benzene	HA 130/230/330 (Jafron)	–	None
Polystyrene divinyl benzene	Cytosorb (Aferetica)	300 g	None
Ultra-high molecular weight polyethylene beads with end-point-attached heparin	Seraph-100 (ExThera Medical)	–	–

Hemoperfusion through devices:

bind specific molecules like endotoxin or theoretically provide **non-specific adsorption of pro-inflammatory mediators**

More recently, technological evolution has led to the increasing application of adsorption due to **more biocompatible and possibly more efficient biomaterials**

Hemoperfusion in the intensive care unit Zaccaria et Al Intensive Care Med (2022) 48:1397–1408

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Synthetic peptide binds to Lipid A

LPS Adsorber (Alteco)



NB Accertarsi che sia stato certificato l'utilizzo della cartuccia nel vostro device per CRRT/emoperfusione

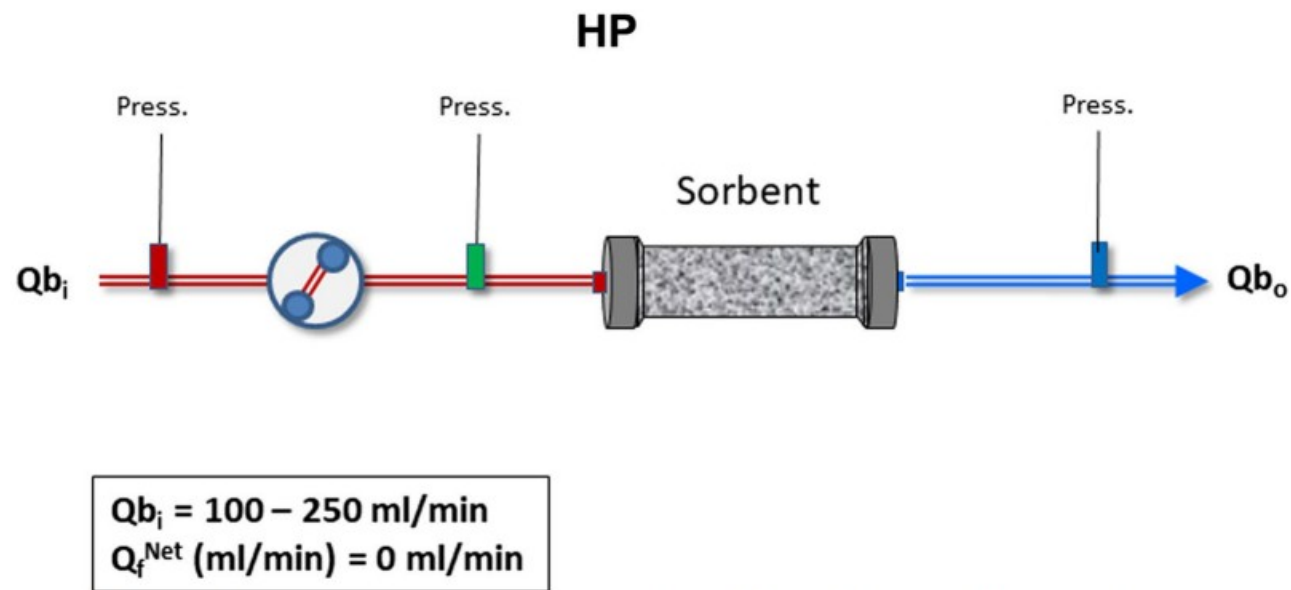


Fig. 1 Schematic configuration of direct hemoperfusion (HP). Qb_i = Blood flow at the inlet of the unit; Q_f^{Net} = net ultrafiltration

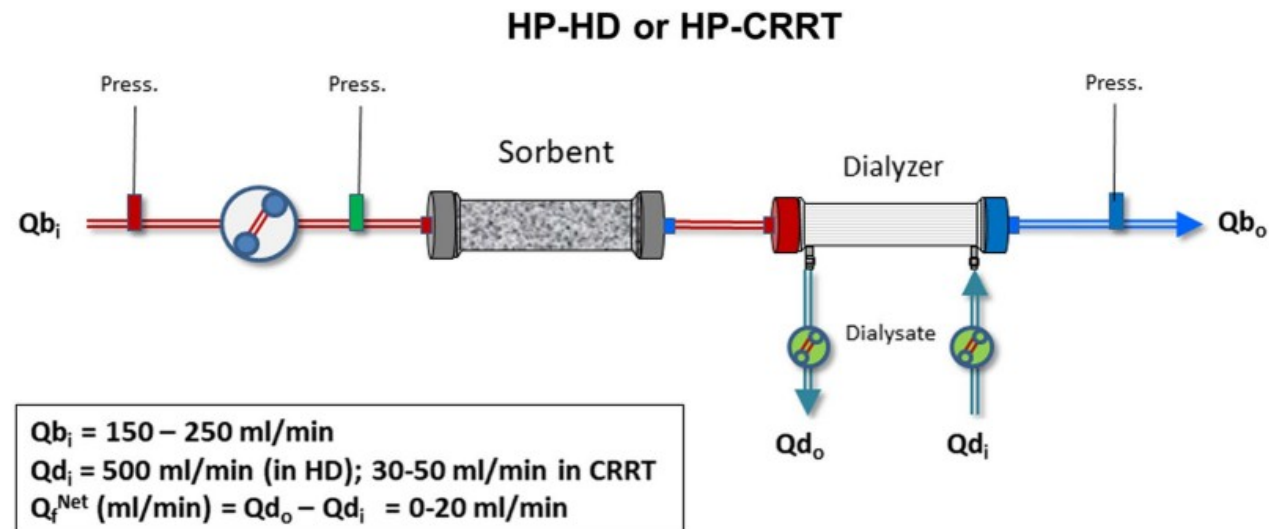






Fig. 2 Schematic configuration of hemoperfusion combined with hemodialysis (HP-HD) and hemoperfusion combined with continuous renal replacement therapy (HP - CRRT). Qb_i = Blood flow at the inlet of the unit; Qb_o = Blood flow at the outlet of the units; Qd_i = Dialysate flow at the inlet of the dialyzer; Qd_o = Dialysate flow at the outlet of the dialyzer; Q_f^{Net} = net ultrafiltration

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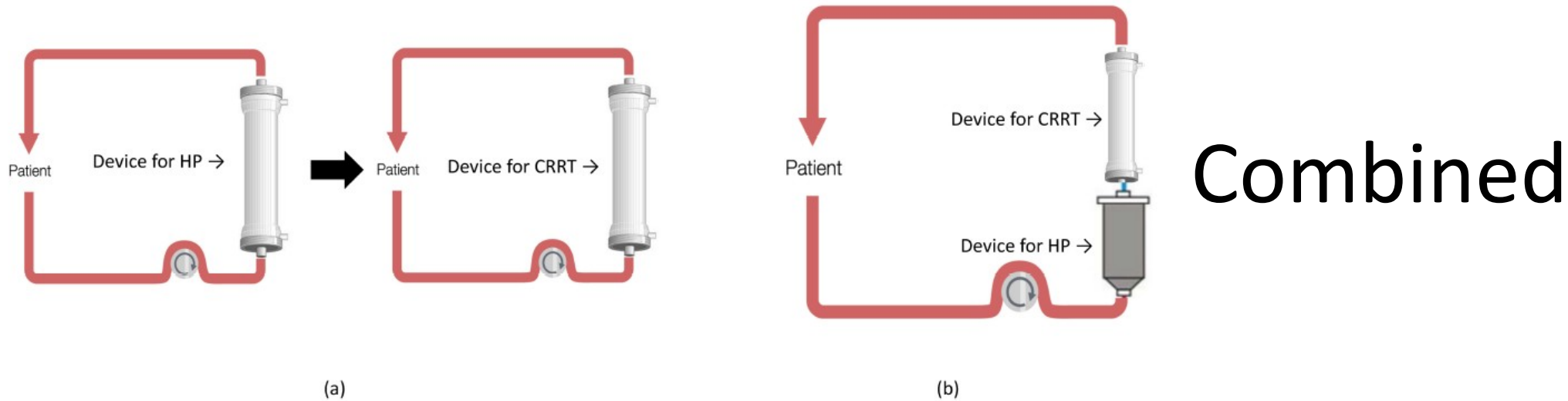


Figure 3. Sequential (a) and combined (b) treatments.

Sequential

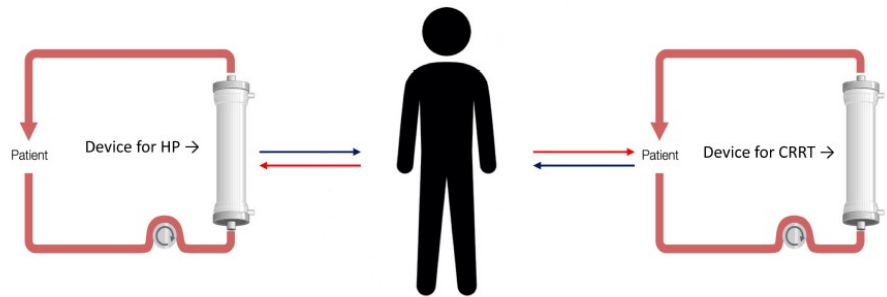
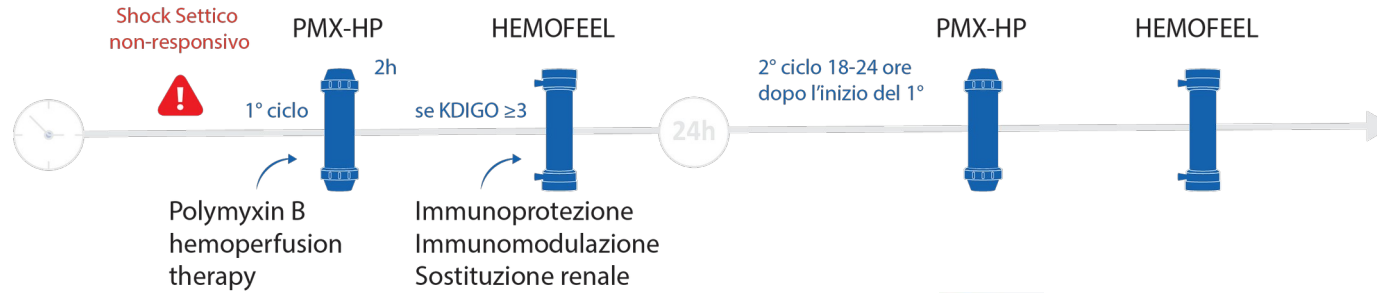


Figure 4. Hemoperfusion and continuous kidney replacement therapy (CRRT) with two different vascular accesses.

Sequential Therapies

Esempio di SETS in paziente in shock settico:

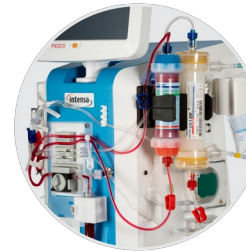


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Table 1. EBPs comparison.





Device	Manufacturer	Composition	Device Type	Specificity If Removal	Target in COVID-19	Treatment Type	Blood Flow (mL/min)	Anticoagulation	Duration of Single Device	Use with Other Treatment
CytoSorb	CytoSorbents Corporation, Princeton, NJ, USA	beads in polystyrene divinylbenzene copolymer with a biocompatible polyvinylpyrrolidone coating	hemoadsorber	non-selective capacity	cytokines and inflammatory mediators	HP	150–500 mL/min (maximum flow 700 mL/min) with a minimum of 100 mL/min	Heparin; aPTT between 60 and 80 s (or ACT of 160–210 s)	24 h	CRRT/ECMO
HA-330	Jafron Biomedical Company, Zhuhai, China	neutro-macroporous resin adsorbing beads in non-ionic styrene divinylbenzene copolymers	hemoadsorber	non-selective capacity	hydrophobic or protein-bound exogenous substances, cytokines, protein-bound uremic toxins, middle uremic toxins, free hemoglobin, and myoglobin	HP	100–250 mL/min	Heparin; desired aPTT between 60 and 80 s (or ACT of 160–210 s)	24 h	CRRT/ECMO
Toraymyxin	Toray Industries Ltd., Tokyo, Japan	polymyxin B-immobilized on polystyrene derivative fibers	hemoadsorber	selective capacity	endotoxin (direct adsorption of inflammatory mediators, cytokines, and the activated monocytes and neutrophils apheresis)	HP	100–120 mL/min	Heparin; desired aPTT between 60 and 80 s	2 h	-
Septex	Baxter, Round Lake, IL, USA	polyarylethersulfone membrane of 1.1 m ²	High Cut-Off filter for CVVHD	non-selective capacity	cytokines and inflammatory mediators	CVVHD in RCA or with Heparin	80–200 mL/min	Trisodium citrate or heparin	72 h	-
Emic-2	Fresenius Medical Care, Bad Homburg, Germany	polysulfone membrane of 1.8 m ²	High Cut-Off filter for CVVHD	non-selective capacity	cytokines and inflammatory mediators	CVVHD in RCA or with Heparin	100–200 mL/min	Trisodium citrate or heparin	72 h	-
oXiris	Baxter, Round Lake, IL, USA	acrylonitrile and sodium methallyl-sulfonate-copolymer and as surface treatment agent polyethyleneimine (PEI) and heparin	Filter for all CRRT	non-selective capacity	endotoxins, cytokines, and inflammatory mediators	CRRT in RCA or with Heparin	80–200 mL/min in RCA 120–200 mL/min with Heparin	Trisodium citrate or heparin	72 h	-

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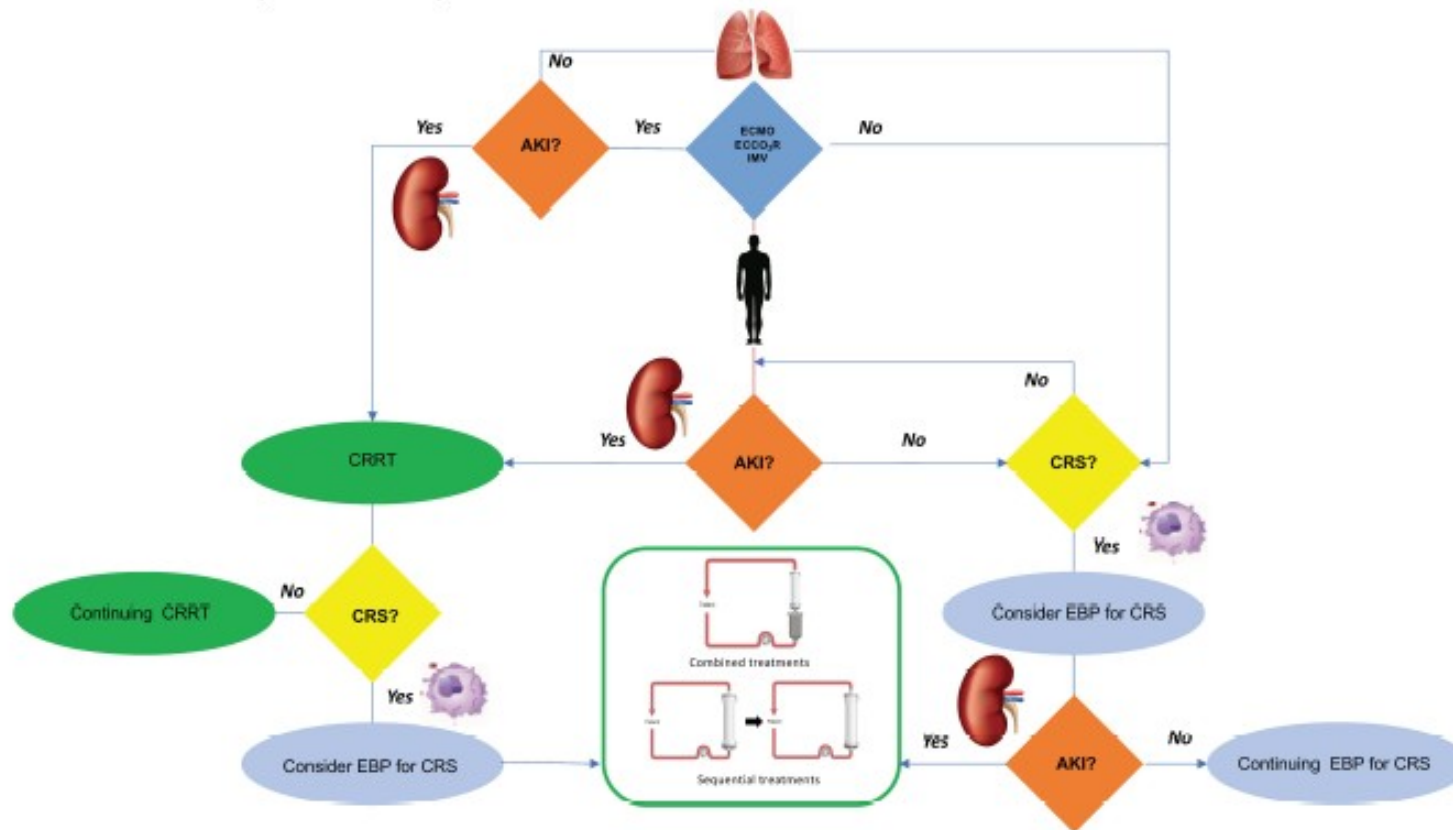


Figure 6. Algorithm to guide in the extracorporeal blood purification treatment in COVID-19 patients.

PFAD or CPFA

Plasmafiltration-adsorption (PFAD) or continuous plasmafiltration-adsorption (CPFA)

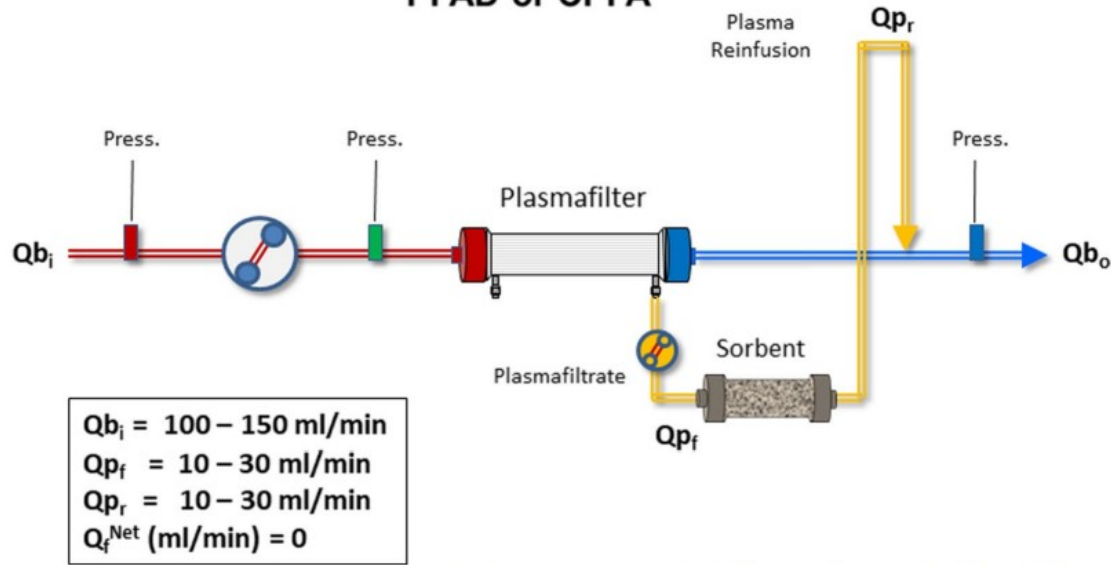


Fig. 3 Schematic configuration of plasmafiltration-adsorption (PFAD) or continuous plasmafiltration-adsorption (CPFA). Qb_i = Blood flow at the inlet of the plasmafilter; Qb_o = Blood flow at the outlet of the plasmafilter; Qp_f = Plasmafiltrate flow; Qp_r = Plasma Reinfusion flow; Q_f^{Net} = net ultrafiltration

PFAD-HD or CPFA-CRRT

Plasmafiltration-adsorption combined with hemodialysis (PFAD-HD) or continuous plasmafiltration-adsorption combined with continuous renal replacement therapy (CPFA-CRRT)

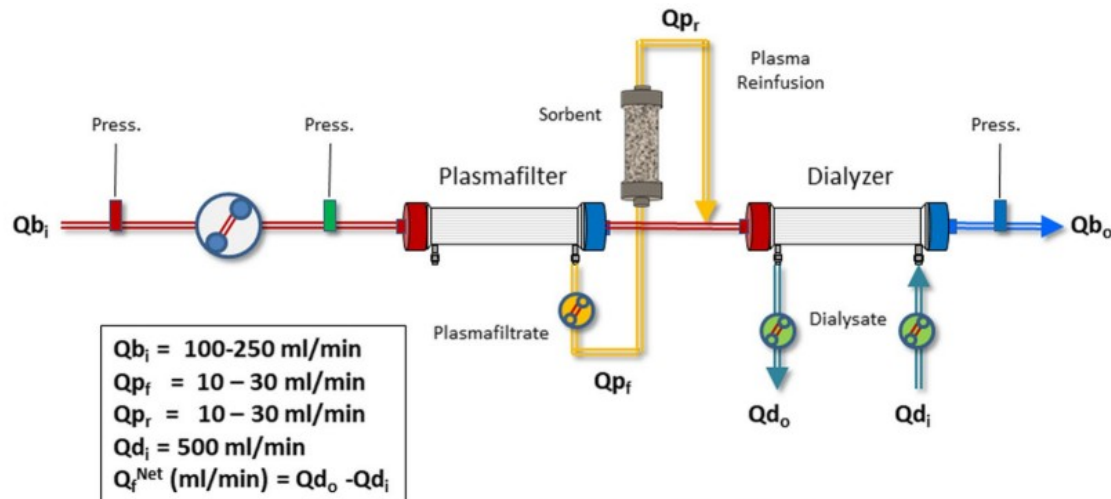


Fig. 4 Schematic configuration of plasmafiltration-adsorption combined with hemodialysis (PFAD-HD) or continuous plasmafiltration-adsorption combined with continuous renal replacement therapy (CPFA-CRRT). Qb_i = Blood flow at the inlet of the units; Qb_o = Blood flow at the outlet of the units; Qp_f = Plasmafiltrate flow; Qp_r = Plasma Reinfusion flow; Qd_i = Dialysate flow at the inlet of the dialyzer; Qd_o = Dialysate flow at the outlet of the dialyzer; Q_f^{Net} = net ultrafiltration

Double plasmafiltration molecular adsorption system (DPMAS)

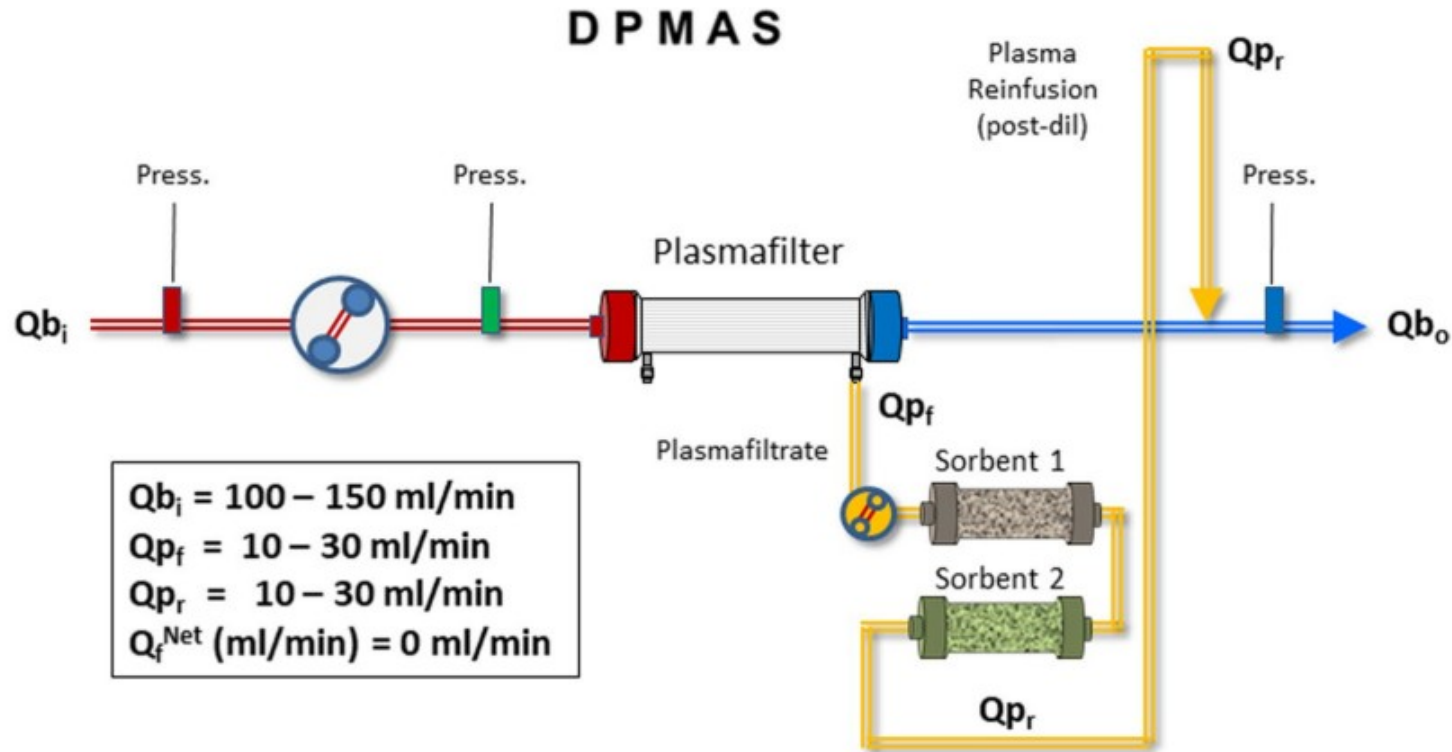
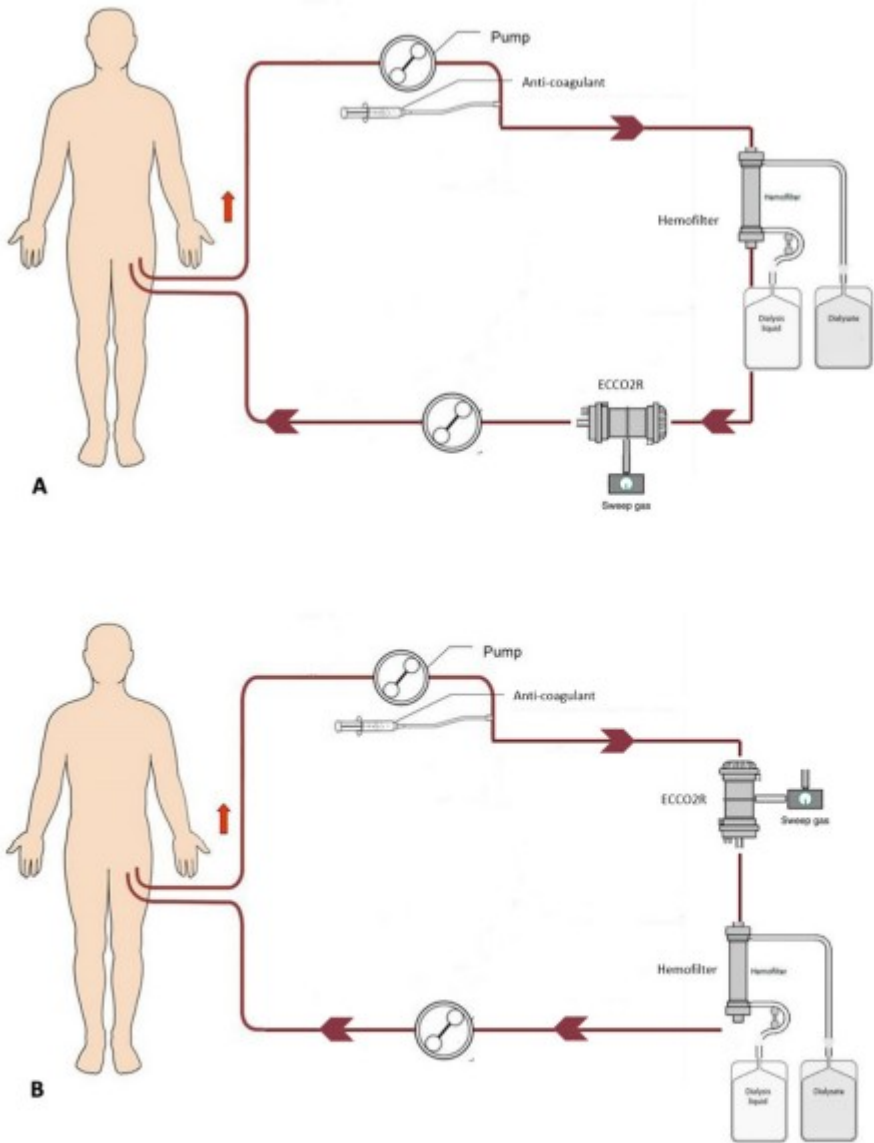


Fig. 5 Schematic configuration of double plasmafiltration molecular adsorption system (DPMAS). Qb_i = Blood flow at the inlet of the unit; Qb_o = Blood flow at the outlet of the plasmafilter; Qp_f = Plasmafiltrate flow; Qp_r = Plasma Reinfusion flow; Q_f^{Net} = net ultrafiltration

Combined CRRT with extracorporeal CO₂ removal ECCO₂R



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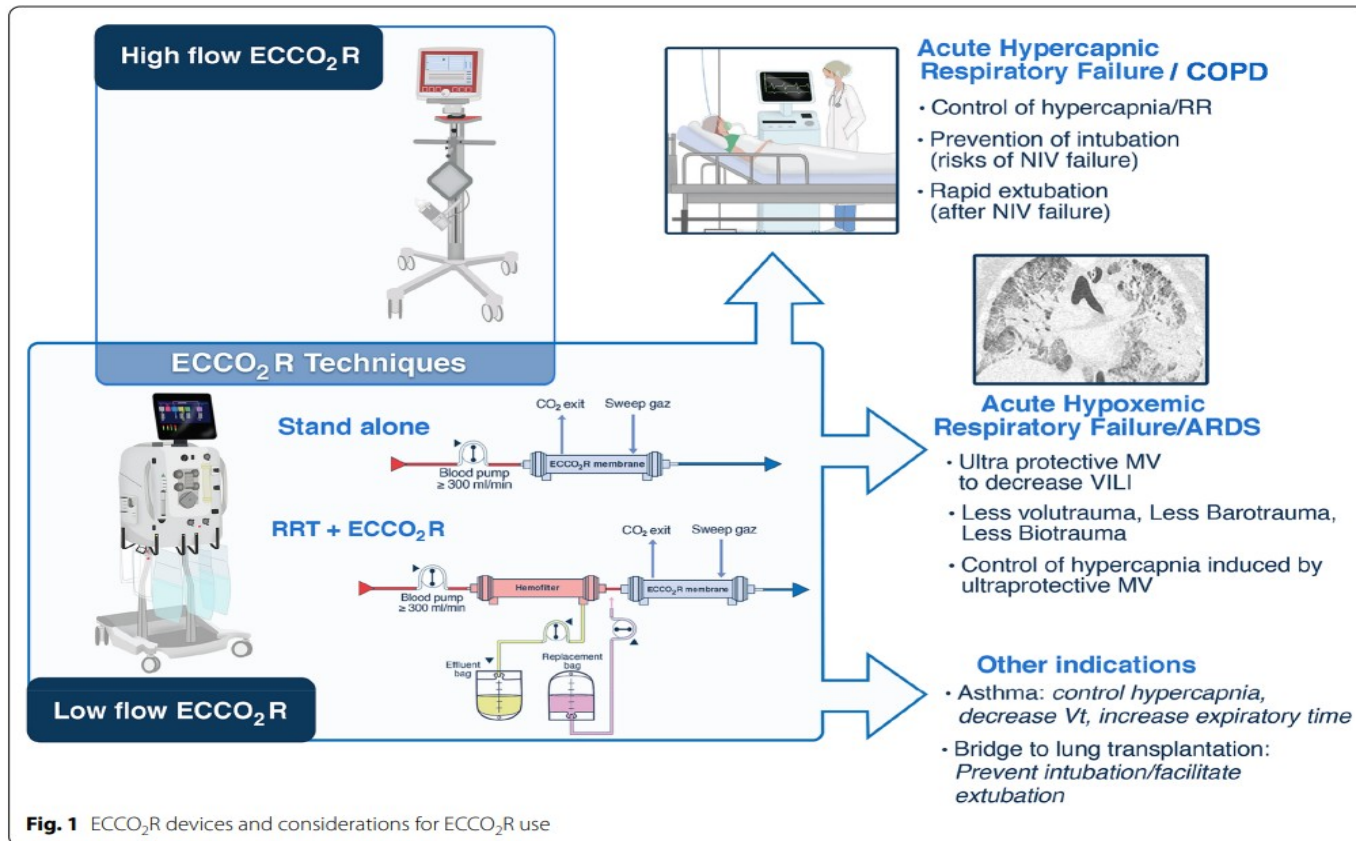
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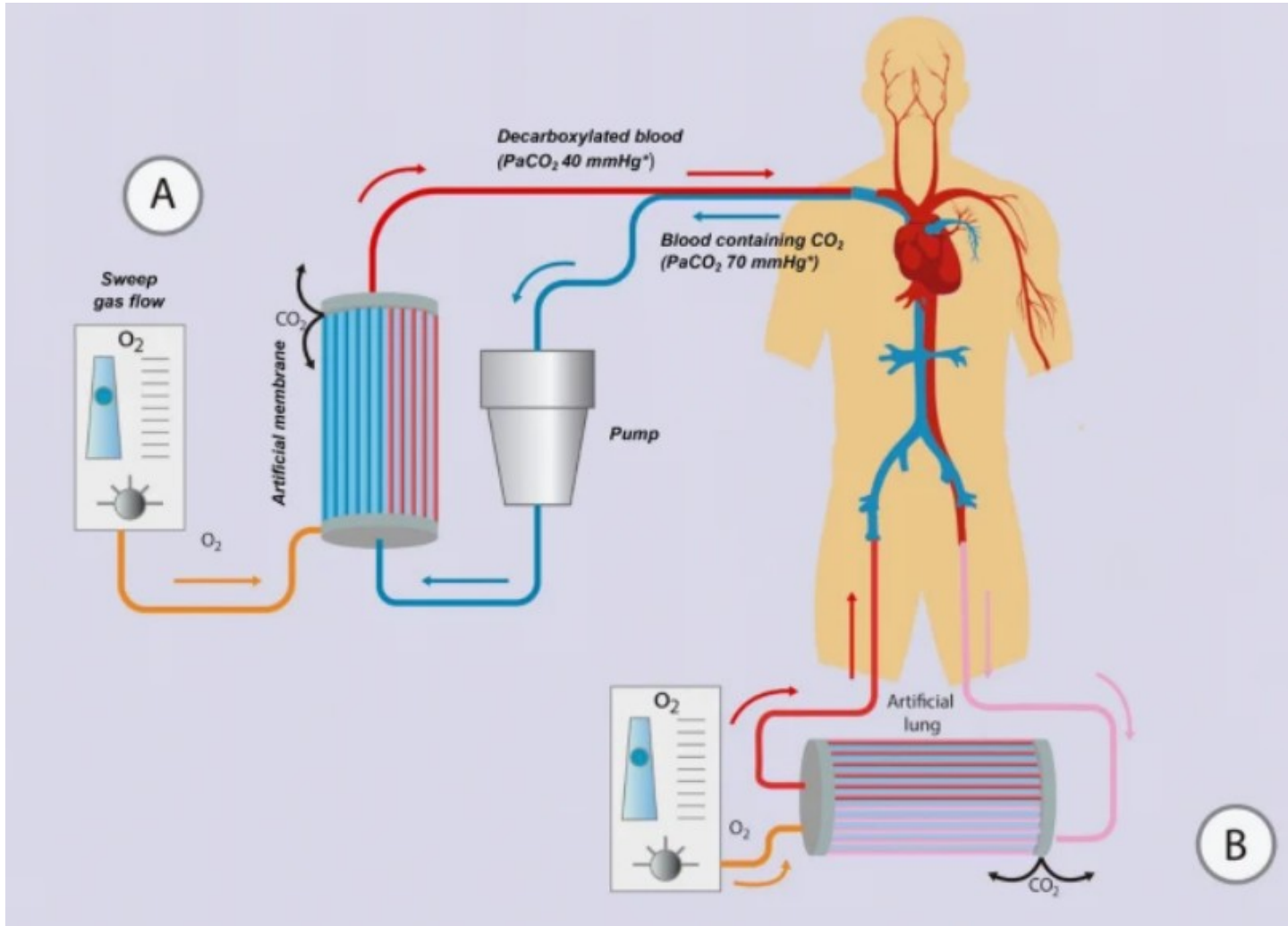
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Figure 1. Exemplificative schemes of combined ECCO₂R-CRRT configurations. In the example CRRT is provided according to CVVHD modality. Membrane oxygenator for ECCO₂R may be inserted either downstream (A) or upstream (B) of the hemofilter.

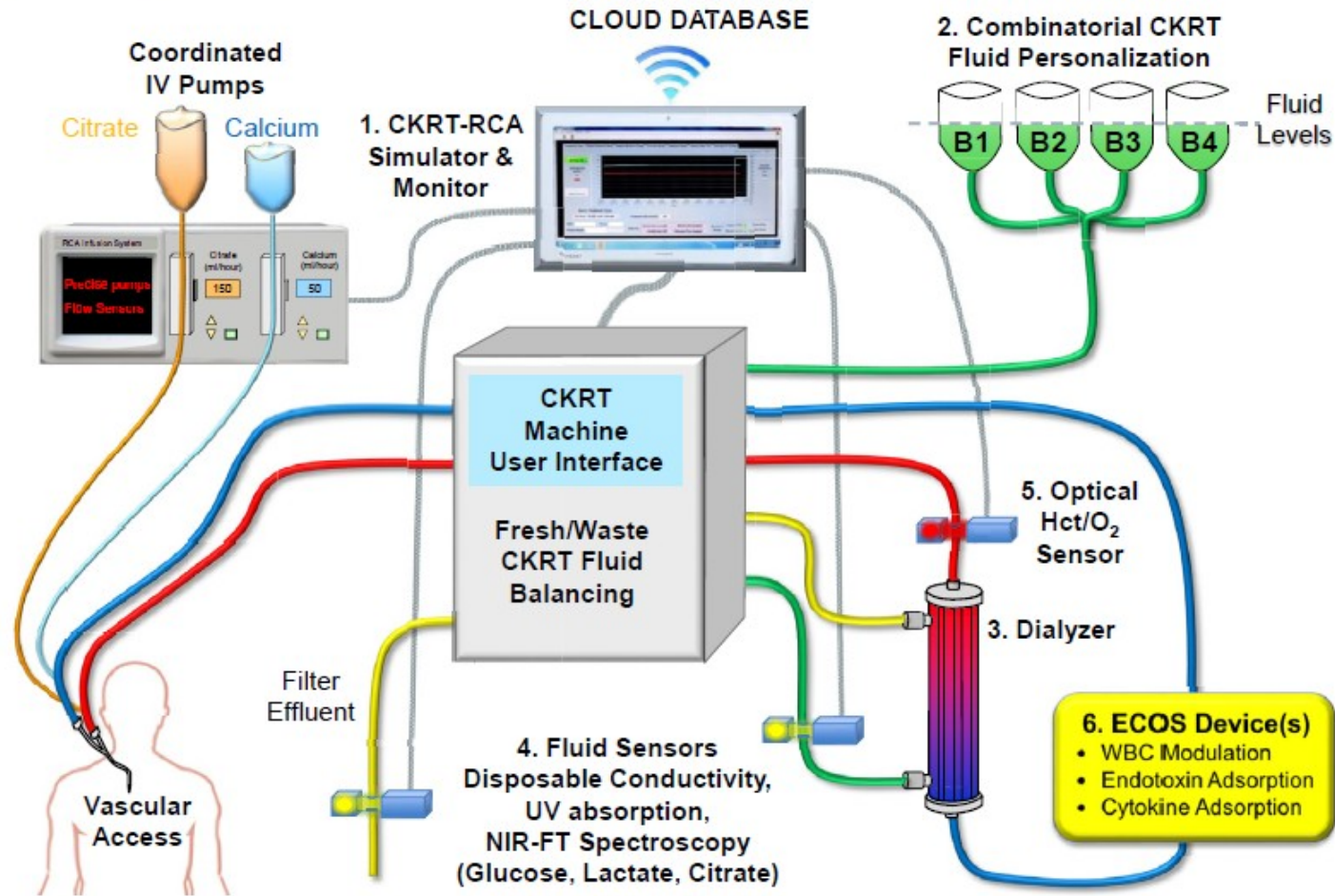
Extracorporeal Lung Support *(carbon dioxide removal)*

The ability to efficiently remove CO₂ at lower blood flows has motivated use of extracorporeal CO₂ removal, or ECCO₂R, as an alternative or supplement to mechanical ventilation



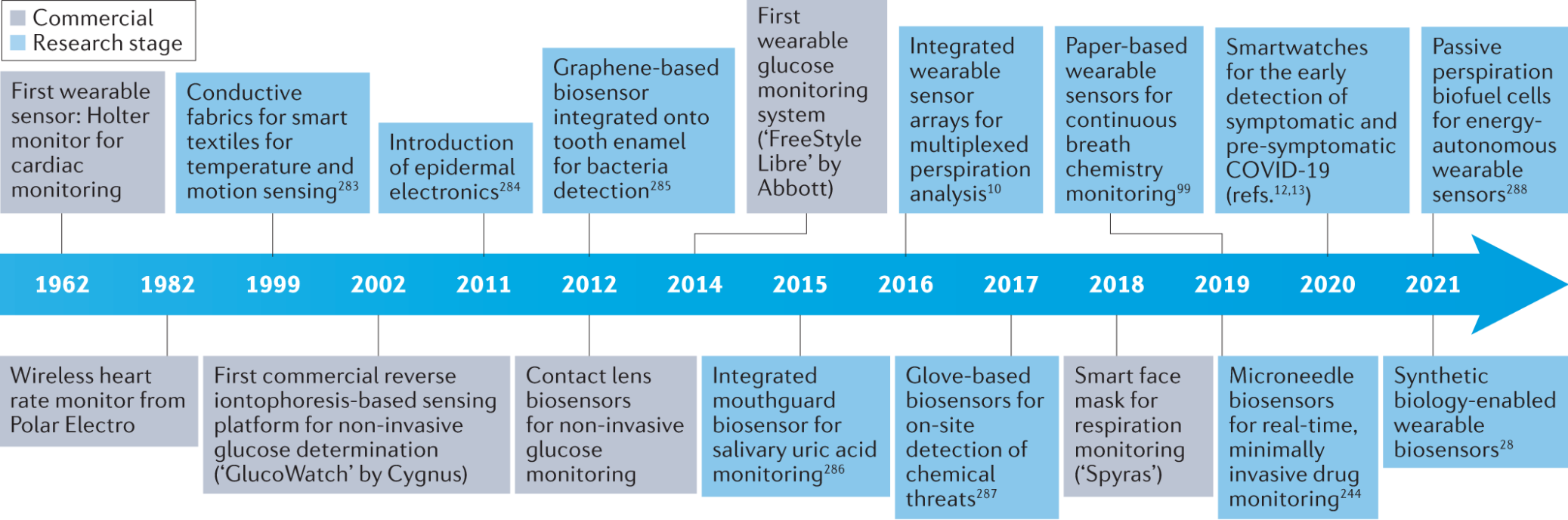


CKRT-RCA Innovations for Immediate Clinical Studies

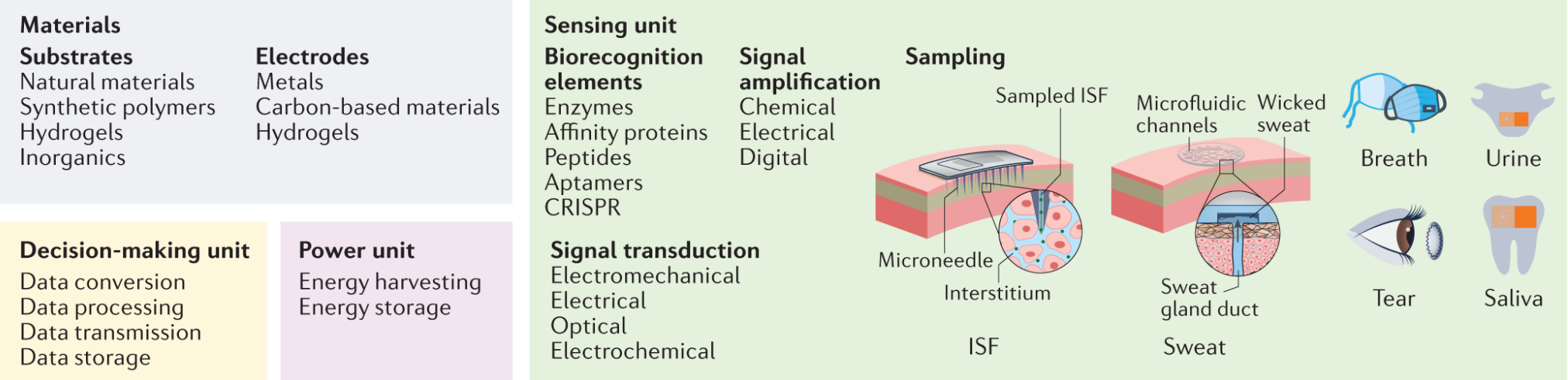


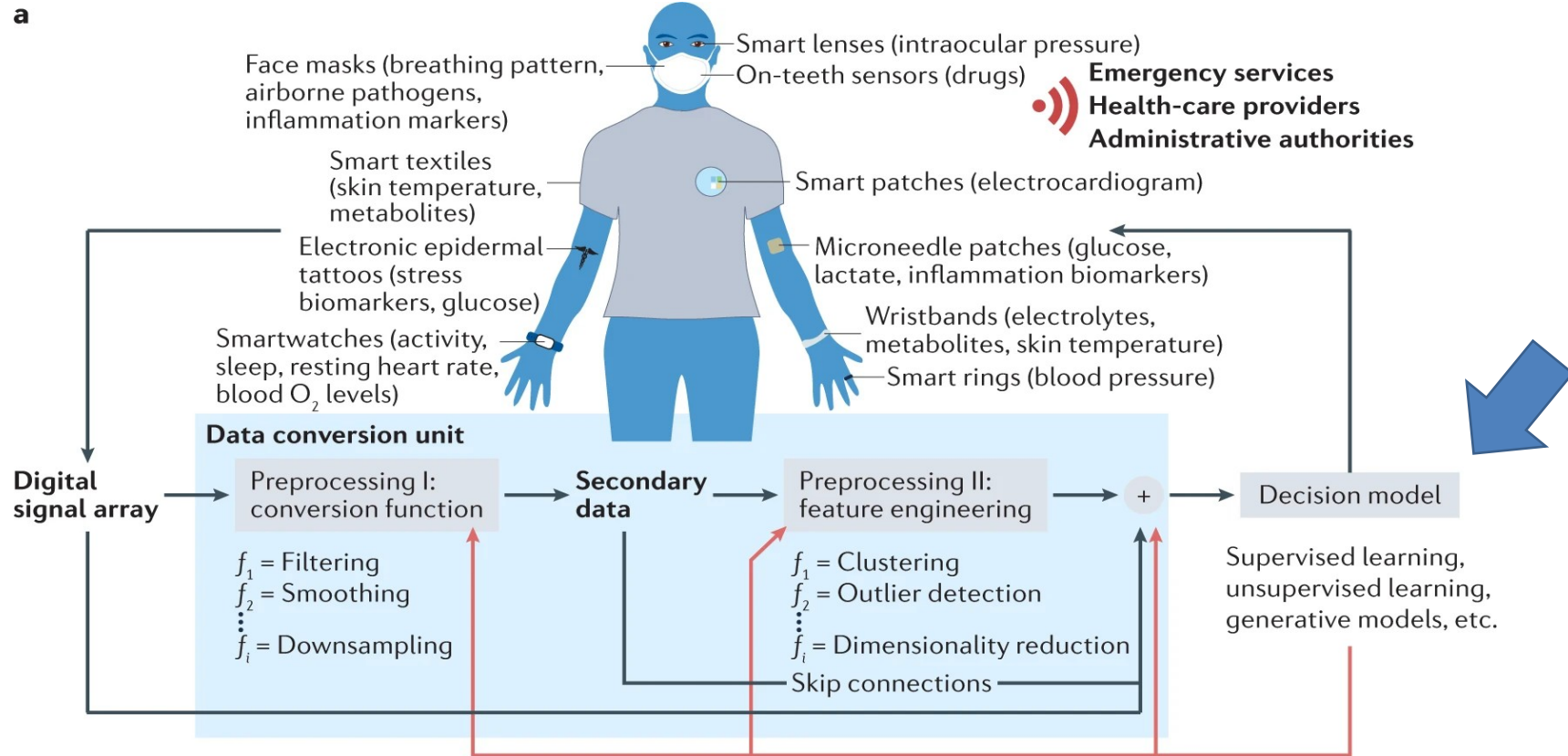
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a Development of wearable sensors



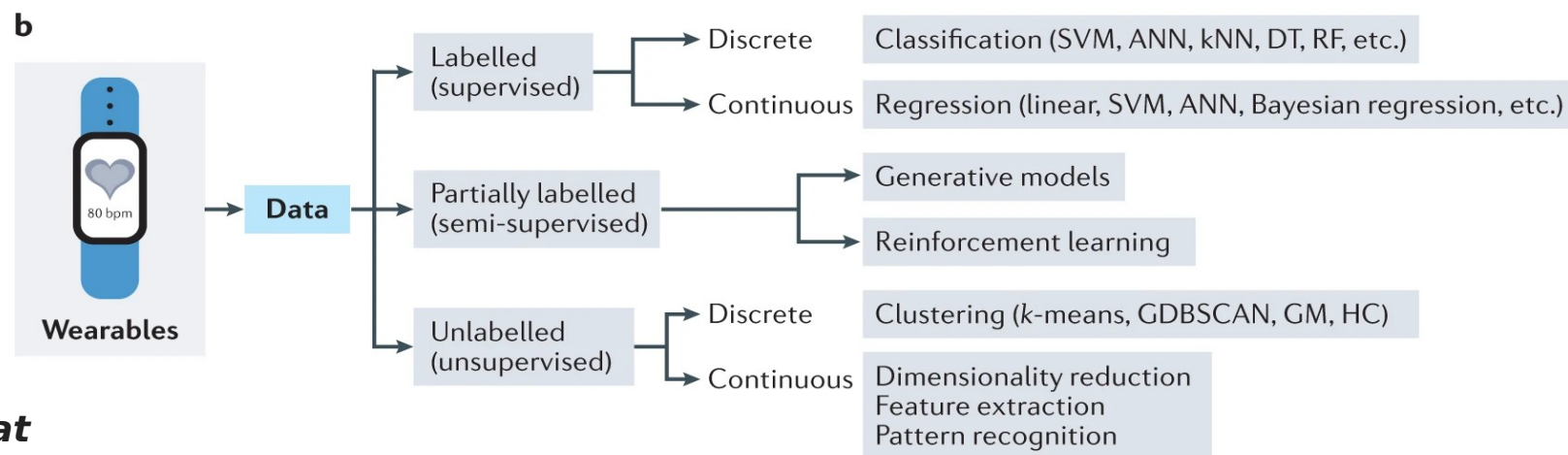
b Building blocks of wearable sensors



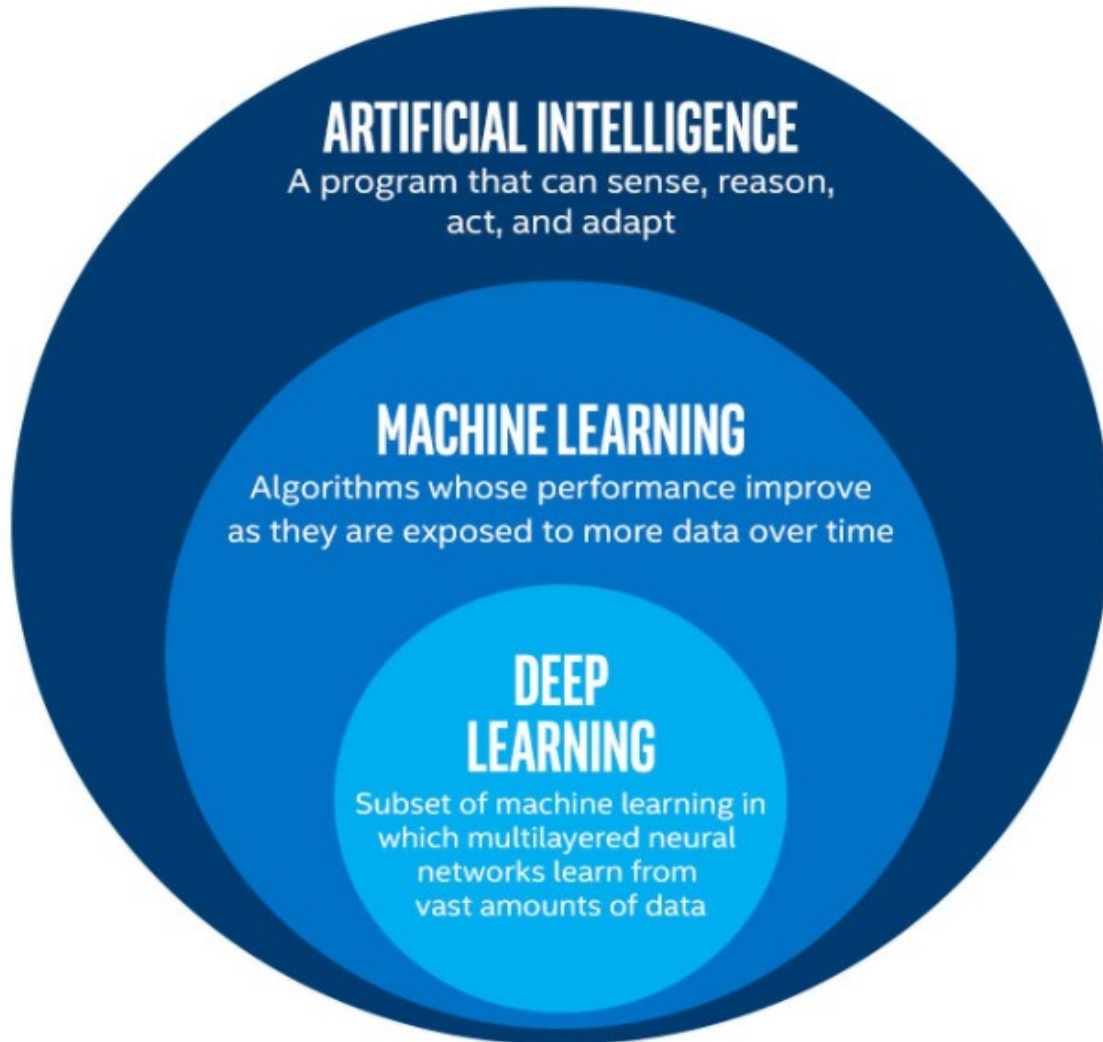


links between the measured signals and physiological status

Overview of data-driven methods. Post-processing of big data to explore the complex links between the measured signals and physiological status of individuals is possible with machine learning algorithms.



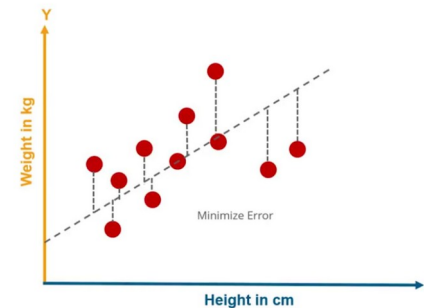
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AI: Theory and development of computer system to perform tasks that normally require human intelligence- McCarthy 1956

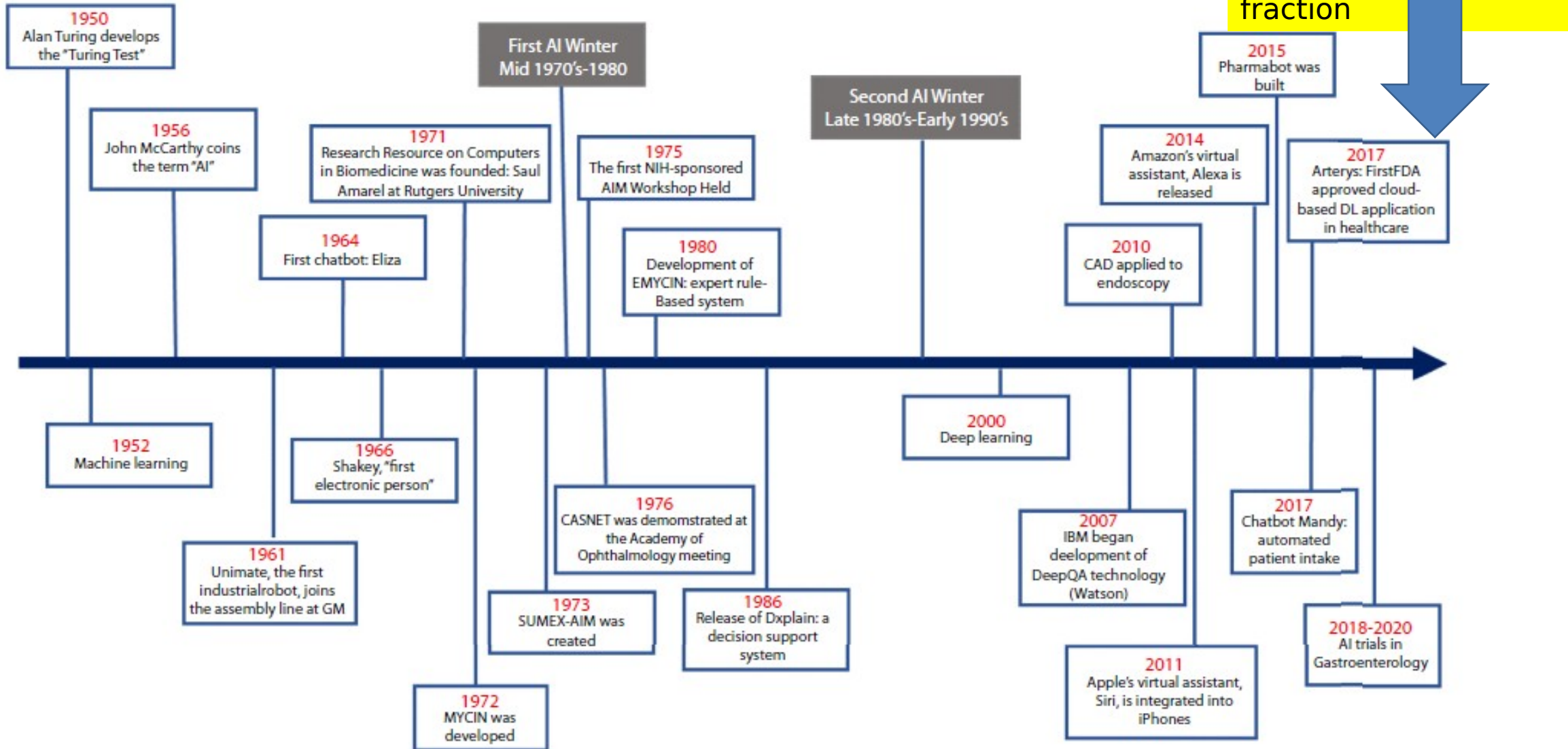
ML “Machine learning is the science of getting computers to act without being explicitly programmed.” — Stanford University



Linear
Regression

“Deep Learning is a subfield of machine learning concerned with algorithms inspired by the structure and function of the brain called artificial neural networks”.

AI...really new?





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When I hear that Machine Learning is an emerging tech field and new technology, it freaks me out:

Logistic regression — 1958

Hidden Markov Model — 1960

Stochastic gradient descent — 1960

Support Vector Machine — 1963

k-nearest neighbours — 1967

Artificial Neural Networks — 1975

Expectation Maximization — 1977

Decision tree — 1986

Q-learning — 1989

Random forest — 1995

The logic seems to be: "if I didn't care about something important my whole life, but I care now, then it has to be emerging".

Hype Cycle Of The Top 50 Emerging Digital Health Trends In 2021

Picco delle Aspettative (esagerate)

- Much progress not expected
- Moderate progress expected
- Significant progress expected

AI Medical Decision



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Rising Expectations

Have already met practical reality

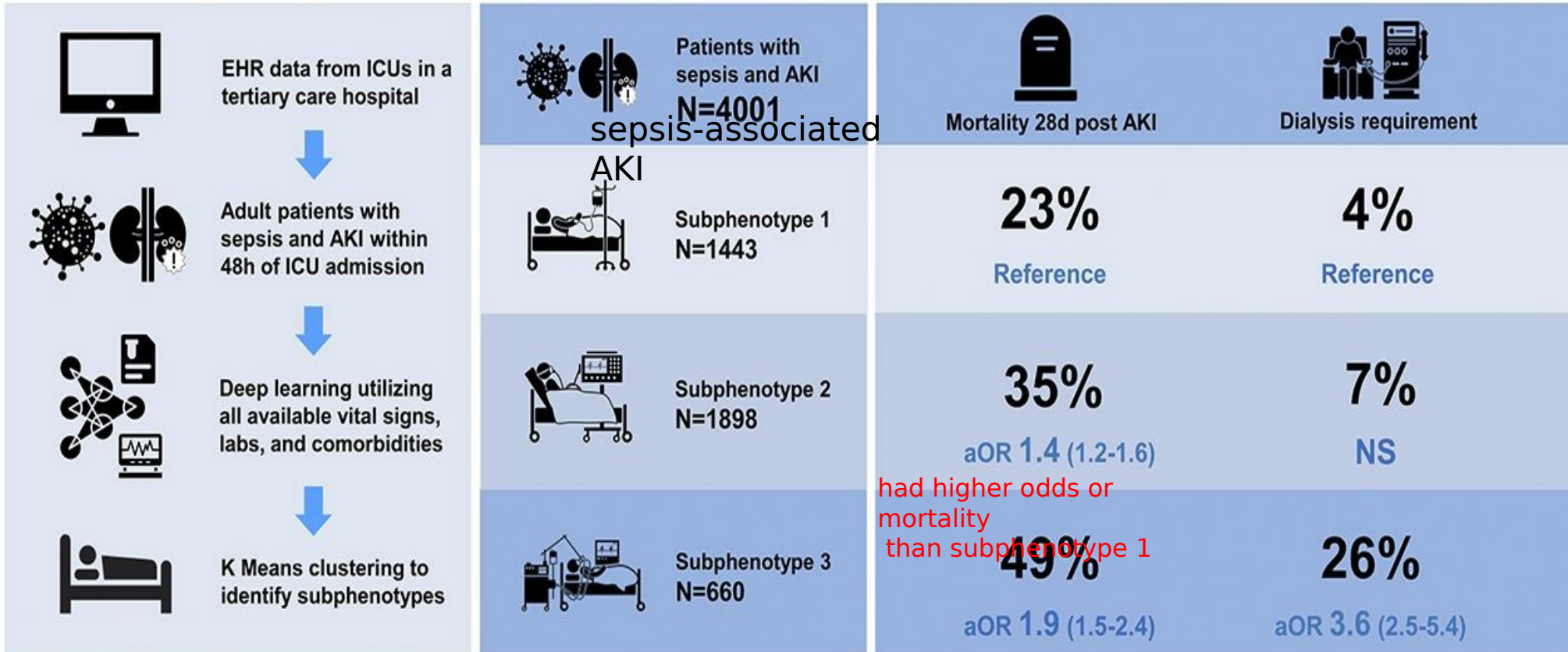
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Utilization of deep learning for subphenotype identification in sepsis-associated AKI

Methods and Cohort

Results



higher mortality
P<0.001 and more patients received dialysis

Conclusion Utilizing routinely collected laboratory variables, vital signs, and comorbidities we were able to identify three distinct subphenotypes of sepsis-associated AKI with differing outcomes.

Kumardeep Chaudhary, Akhil Vaid, Áine Duffy, et al. *Utilization of Deep Learning for Subphenotype Identification in Sepsis-Associated Acute Kidney Injury*. CJASN doi: 10.2215/CJN.09330819. Visual Abstract by Beatrice Concepcion, MD

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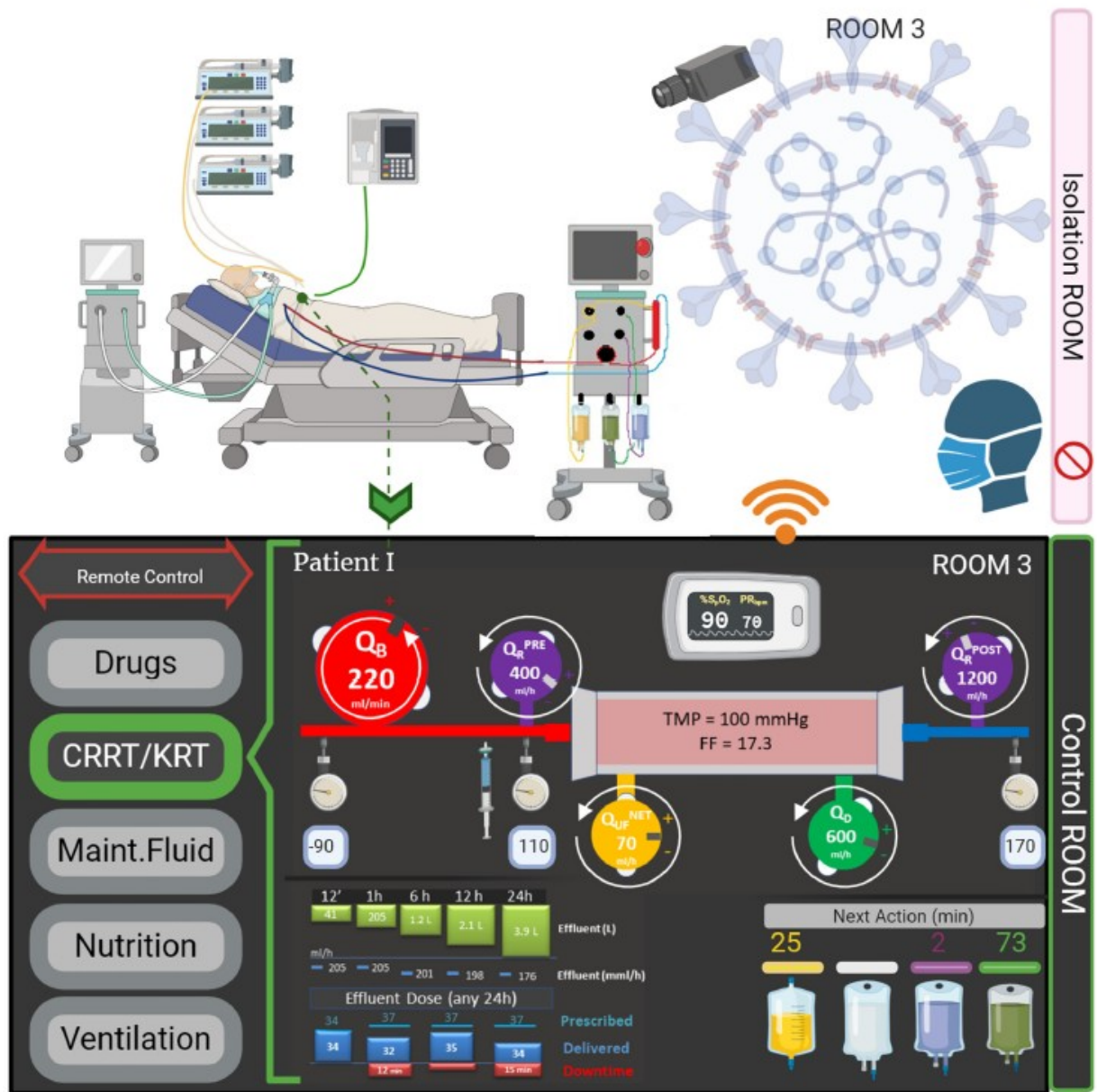
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Access-related complications remain a common issue in establishing effective and sustained CRRT delivery

Circuit Clotting: There is no standardization on CRRT anticoagulation. While the use of predilution regional citrate anticoagulation (RCA) prolongs filter lifespan, it requires a specialized protocol and could also increase risk of bleeding or other complications.

Solute Control: Electrolyte disturbances such as hypokalemia and hypophosphatemia are common complications during CRRT.

Quality Assurance: Lack of oversight and standardized protocols have been shown to cause treatment interruptions, poor solute clearance, and off-target fluid management or effluent dose delivery



Monitoraggio Remoto



Preventing infectious diseases in Intensive Care Unit by medical devices remote control: Lessons from COVID-19



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Fig. 1. Remote Control of Medical Devices in ICUs. Example of implementation of remote control and monitoring in an ICU setting. The control panel, located in a separate control room, is connected to the devices (RRT in the current image). Modification of parameters can be undertaken by medical personnel, without the need to enter the patient's room.

MDD vs MDR

Medical **D**evice **D**irective

Directive: Sets out general rules that are transferred to national law by each member state

60 Pages
20 Articles
12 Annexes

Medical **D**evice **R**egulation

Regulation: Directly applicable in all EU Member states. Leaves no room for local interpretation

369 Pages
97 Articles
16 Annexes

Medical Device Regulation

Information on the Medical Device Regulation

The new European Medical Device Regulation (MDR) with many new rules is a challenge for all involved. B. Braun is preparing intensely and wants to apply the new requirements as soon as possible. Here we have compiled some information about the MDR for you.



For MDR certified Fresenius Medical Care products, instructions for use (IFU) will be provided online, in addition to the printed version. The instructions for use of MDR certified products can be found [here](#).

Fresenius Medical Care Product Information

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Unique Device Identification UDI



Unique Device Identification (UDI) System under the EU medical devices Regulations 2017/745 and 2017/746

MEDICAL DEVICES CHANGE OF LEGISLATION

What you need to know!



Introduction to the new UDI system and the obligations of operators

The existing regulatory framework on medical devices dates back to the 1990s and consists of three Directives. Two new Regulations (Regulation (EU) 745/2017 on medical devices and Regulation (EU) 746/2017 on *In Vitro* diagnostic medical devices) were adopted in April 2017 and entered into force on 25 May 2017. The general application dates of the two Regulations are 26 May 2021 for medical devices and 26 May 2022 for *In Vitro* diagnostic medical devices, though different timelines apply for certain specific provisions.

These Regulations introduce an EU identification system for medical devices based on a Unique Device Identifier (UDI).



3. Which products are subject to the UDI system?

The UDI system should apply to all devices, except custom-made and performance study/investigational devices.

The obligation for placing the UDI carrier applies according to the following timelines:

Device as per Regulation (EU) 2017/745 (MDR)	Implantable devices and Class III devices	Class IIa and Class IIb devices	Class I devices
Placing UDI-carriers on the labels of devices MDR Article 123(3)(f), Article 27(4)	26 May 2021	26 May 2023	26 May 2025
Direct marking of the reusable devices MDR Article 123(3)(g), Article 27(4)	26 May 2023	26 May 2025	26 May 2027

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Clinical investigation and evaluation

Guidance - MDCG endorsed documents and other guidance

Reference	Title	
MDCG 2021-28 EN	Substantial modification of clinical investigation under Medical Device Regulation	December 2021
MDCG 2021-20 EN	Instructions for generating CIV-ID for MDR Clinical Investigations	July 2021
MDCG 2021-8 EN	Clinical investigation application/notification documents	May 2021
MDCG 2021-6 EN	Regulation (EU) 2017/745 – Questions & Answers regarding clinical investigation	April 2021
MDCG 2020-13 EN - Word version EN	Clinical evaluation assessment report template	July 2020
MDCG 2020-10/1 Rev.1 EN	Guidance on safety reporting in clinical investigations Appendix: Clinical investigation summary safety report form	October 2022
MDCG 2020-10/2 Rev. 1 EN		October 2022
MDCG 2020-8 EN	Guidance on PMCF evaluation report template	April 2020
MDCG 2020-7 EN	Guidance on PMCF plan template	April 2020

2.3 Clinical evaluation and investigation

For any device regardless of class, the manufacturer must ensure the general safety and performance requirements are satisfied (MDR Article 5, MDR Annex I). This includes carrying out a clinical evaluation (MDR Article 5 (3), MDR Article 61, MDR Annex XIV. For implantable devices and class III devices, a premarket clinical investigation is compulsory, with some exceptions such as modifications of an existing device, demonstrated equivalence to CE-marked device, placed on the market under Directive 90/385/EEC or Directive 93/42/EEC for which sufficient clinical data is already available, and specific exemptions laid down in Article 61(6)(b). The conditions for starting a clinical investigation vary depending on the class of the device (see MDR Article 70(7) and Article 78). According to Article 61(10), if demonstration of conformity with Annex I requirements based on clinical data is not deemed appropriate, the manufacturer shall justify this in the technical documentation.

For class III implantable devices and class IIb active devices intended to administer or remove a medicinal product, the notified body must also follow the clinical evaluation consultation procedure where certain documentation including the clinical evaluation report is submitted for review by expert panels (MDR Article 54 and Section 5.1 of Annex IX). It must notify the Member State competent authorities of the certificates it has granted for these types of devices (MDR Article 55). The manufacturer may consult an expert panel on their clinical development strategy prior to performing the clinical evaluation and/or investigation (MDR Article 61(2)). See also MDCG Guideline 2019-3⁵ for interpretation of Article 54.

For implantable devices and class III devices, other than custom-made or investigational devices, the manufacturer must update the post-market clinical follow-up evaluation report as it will serve an input for the writing of the Periodic Safety Update Report, and, if indicated, the summary of safety and clinical performance⁶ (MDR Article 32).

MDCG 2020-7

Post-market clinical follow-up (PMCF) Plan Template A guide for manufacturers and notified bodies

April 2020

MDCG 2020-8

Post-market clinical follow-up (PMCF) Evaluation Report Template
A guide for manufacturers and notified bodies

April 2020

The aim of the PMCF plan is:

- confirming the safety¹ and performance, including the clinical benefit if applicable, of the device throughout its expected lifetime;
- identifying previously unknown side-effects and monitor the identified side-effects and contraindications;
- identifying and analysing emergent risks on the basis of factual evidence;
- ensuring the continued acceptability of the benefit-risk ratio, referred to in Section 1 and 9 of Annex I in the MDR;
- identifying possible systematic misuse or off-label use of the device, with a view to verifying that the intended purpose is correct.

The PMCF plan shall be part of the post-market surveillance plan.

PMCF

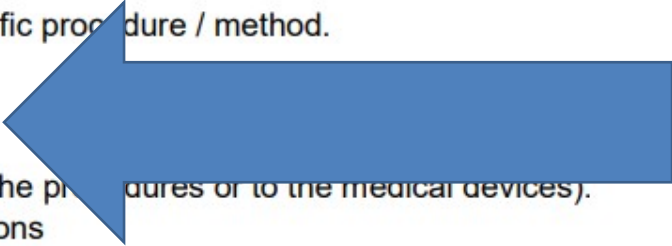
Section C. Activities related to PMCF: general and specific methods and procedures

In this section it is expected to describe the different activities that will be conducted in post-market, including general and specific methods / procedures to conduct in relation to the product covered by the scope of PMCF, also the aim of each activity described and the rationale for the appropriateness of the chosen general and specific methods to achieve those objectives as well as the known limitations of the planned activities such as for example incomplete follow up, missing data and so on. The timelines of those activities shall be also defined quarterly or at least yearly.

Here are some examples of different activities related to PMCF:

- A manufacturer **device registry** (specific for the type of device or the group of the medical devices the product belongs to) can be indicated together with a description and a summary of the plan. A pre-specification of what quality and quantity data – based on the risk of the device(s) and the associated accessories – to be collected and analysed shall be included. Any possible evaluation of suitable **national public registries** with clinical data on the manufacturer's own device and/or on similar devices could be specified in this section, identifying the expected quantity and quality of data to be gathered and the search protocols to be adopted.
- **PMCF studies** planned could be indicated in this section, together with a summary of the plan including the design, sample size, the endpoints, the inclusion/exclusion criteria (e.g. extended follow up of patients included in the pre-market clinical investigations, new clinical investigations within the intended use, retrospective studies). In case of implantable devices and class III devices where clinical investigations have not been performed pursuant to Article 61 (4), the PMCF plan shall include post market studies to confirm the safety and performance of the device.
- Planned **Real-world evidence** (RWE) analyses could be indicated in this section, together with a summary of the plan including the design, sample size, the endpoints, and analysis population. The real-world data (RWD) from which these analyses are based on should be of sufficient quality and come from reliable data sources.
- **Surveys** planned to collect information about the use of the concerned medical device could be described.

Each activity will be developed in a different subsection (e.g. C.1, C.2, ...), and for which the manufacturer will:

- Define where the need of conducting the PMCF activity is coming from (requested by notified body, clinical evaluation report, PMS, risk management report, previous PMCF report, etc...)
 - Provide the description of activity, and if it is a general or specific procedure / method.
 - Define the aim of this activity:
 - confirming the safety of the medical device
 - confirming the performance of the medical device
 - identifying previously unknown side-effects (related to the procedures or to the medical devices).
 - monitoring the identified side-effects and contraindications
 - identifying and analysing emergent risks
 - ensuring the continued acceptability of the benefit-risk ratio
 - identifying possible systematic misuse or off-label use of the device
 - Describe the different procedures which will be used as part of PMCF:
 - screening of scientific literature and other sources of clinical data
 - post-market studies
 - collecting data in registries
 - survey from health care professional
 - survey from patients/users
 - review of case reports which may reveal misuse or off-label use
 - Describe the rationale for the appropriateness of the chosen methods/procedures, including:
 - the justification for sample size, timescales and endpoints
 - justification for comparator, on the basis of intended purpose and state of the art
 - justification of the study design on the basis of all of the above, and why it is sufficient to ensure representative patient populations and provide for adequate controls on sources of bias (an evaluation of the potential sources of bias should form part of this)
 - a statistical justification for the expected quality of outcomes, and justification for why this is satisfactory in light of the residual risks. This is an important consideration. For example, retrospective surveys with no justification other than “this should demonstrate the expected quality of evidence that we require,” but without showing a statistical rationale, are not acceptable.
 - Provide the timelines of the activity. A detailed and adequately justified time schedule for PMCF activities, such as the analysis of PMCF data and reporting, shall be described.
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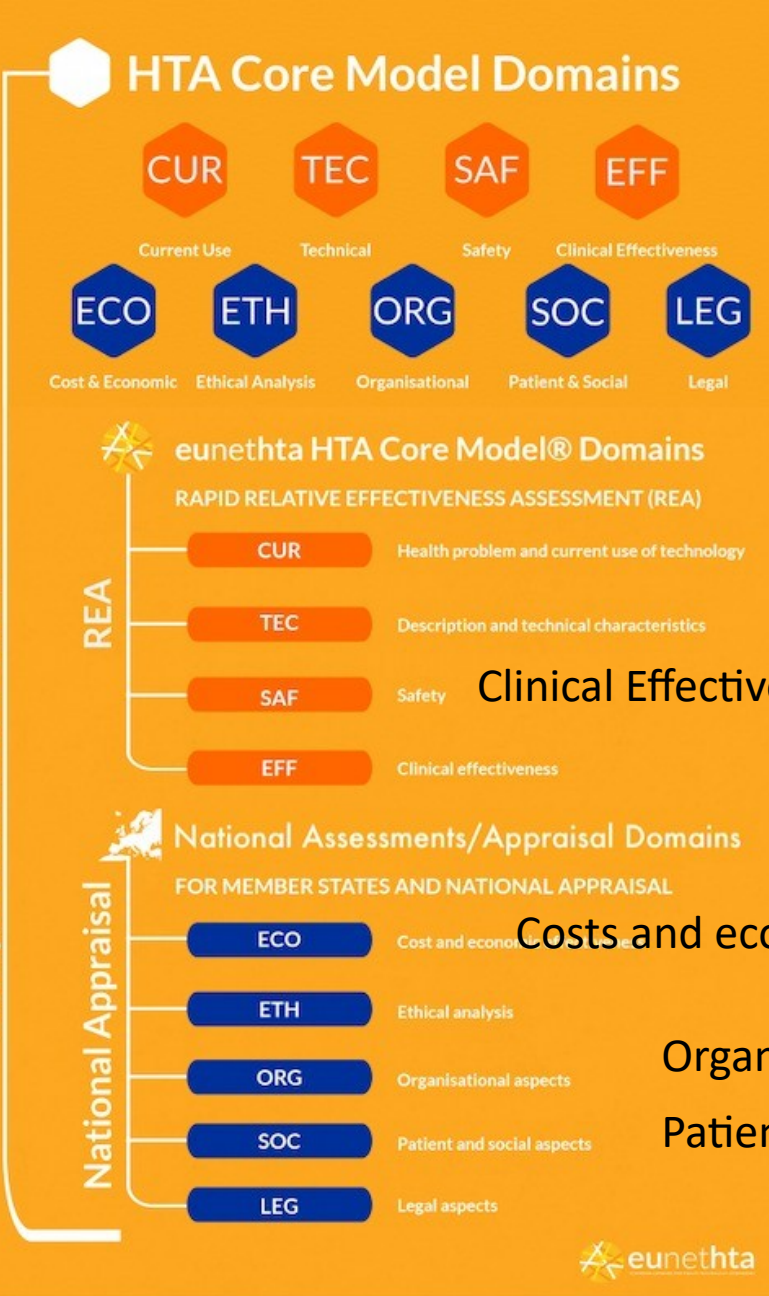
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Preparing healthcare, academic institutions, and notified bodies for their involvement in the innovation of medical devices under the new European regulation

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