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The *Abyle®* line provides simple and innovative answers to complex questions. CPFA® is an extracorporeal therapy that was developed and patented by Bellco for the treatment of sepsis. Lynda® (Bellco acute machine) is the technologic response suited to the treatments of multi organ dysfunction.

Today, sepsis still remains as one of the principle causes of acute patient mortality. It is characterized by the presence of infectious microorganisms (bacteria virus or fungal) and the presence of systemic inflammation. Approximately 25% of sepsis patients develop severe sepsis (associated with multiorgan dysfunction). Sepsis is associated with approx. 210000 deaths in the USA, 140000 in Europe.

CPFA® has achieved international recognition as an effective therapy able to remove mediators involved in the inflammatory cascade, restore cellular function, improve hemodynamics – all with the aim of reversing the downward spiral of severe sepsis and septic shock.

Vast removal of mediators

- CPFA® removes a wide range of cytokines, chemokines and inflammatory mediators
- Plasma filter allows greater removal of higher molecular weight mediators than traditional hemofilters used for intermittent or continuous renal replacement therapies
- High performance resin permits fast and extensive adsorption of mediators while allowing reinfusion of albumin and amino acids
- Removal of cytokines produced during both gram positive and gram negative infections

Restoration of immune response

- CPFA® removes both pro- and anti-inflammatory mediators; both associated with increased morbidity and mortality in septic patients
- Previous studies have shown restoration of cellular immune responsiveness after 10 hours of CPFA® treatment

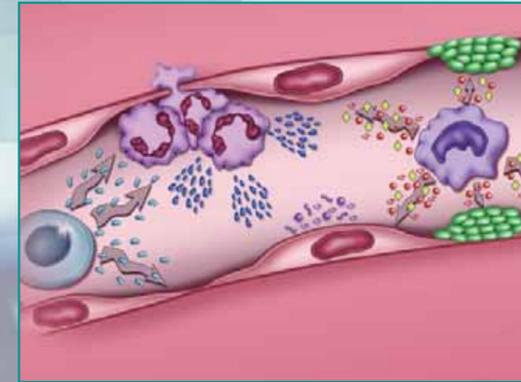
Improved hemodynamics

- CPFA® increases mean arterial pressure while reducing vasopressor requirements
- Applicable for both severe sepsis and septic shock
- Improves cardiac and respiratory parameters

A simple response to complex questions

Sepsis snapshot

Reaction to sepsis is an extremely complex process that involves the activation of inflammatory, coagulation and complement cascades as well as production of pro- and anti-inflammatory cytokines. The non-linear complexity is largely determined by the interplay of the cells involved in the systemic response. These include: monocytes, lymphocytes, neutrophils, dendritic cells, platelets and endothelial cells.

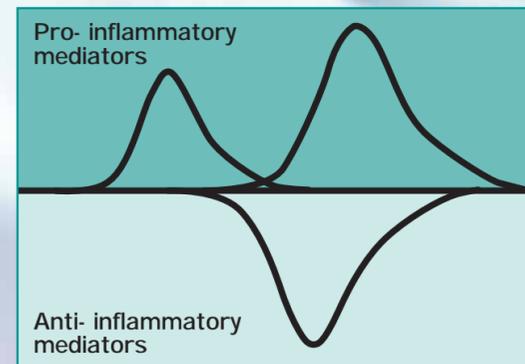


Why CPFA®?

The aim of CPFA® is to remove the excess circulating mediators in order to re-establish homeostasis and restore a more physiologic immune response.

It is advisable to start the treatment as soon as possible to avoid further amplification of the inflammatory response.

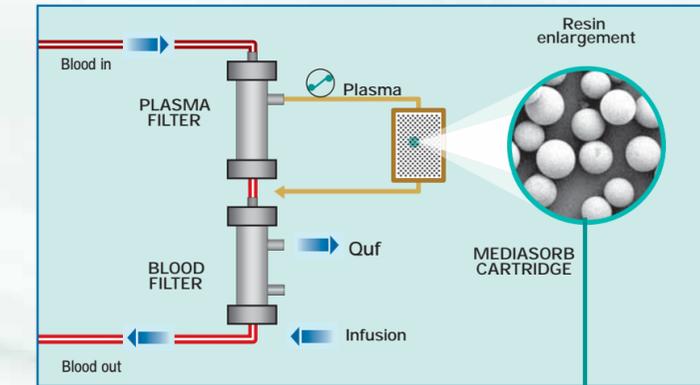
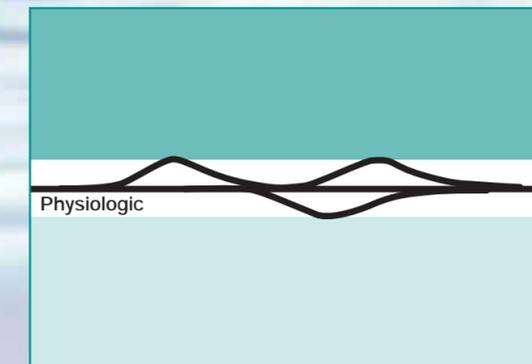
CPFA® offers the advantage of working with plasma and an adsorbent cartridge. In this way, the adsorbent cartridge can remove a wide array of inflammatory mediators (cytokines, chemokines, as well as pro-inflammatory and immunosuppressive mediators)



Vast removal of mediators

Mediators that can be removed with the cartridge:

- Interleukin 1-β
- Interleukin 5
- Interleukin 6
- Interleukin 7
- Interleukin 8
- Interleukin 10
- Interleukin 12p70
- Interleukin 16
- Interleukin 18
- Macrophage inflammatory protein-a (MIP-α)
- Macrophage inflammatory protein-b (MIP-β)
- Tumor necrosis factor-α TNF-α
- Monocyte chemoattractant protein (MCP-1)
- RANTES
- Epithelial neutrophil activating peptide 78 (ENA-78)



Basic flow diagram of Coupled Plasma Filtration Adsorption (CPFA®)

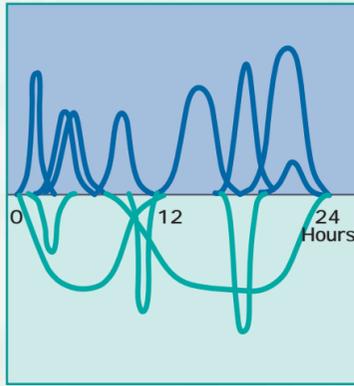
The 'heart' of the CPFA® system

Adsorption efficacy is generally inversely proportional to flow. Working with plasma permits better efficacy and adsorption capacity, due to the slower plasma flow. This allows more contact time with the resin and is associated with less fouling. There is also no risk of cell activation. Adsorption is only limited to the degree of mediator affinity with the resin.

The resin used in the sorbent cartridge (synthetic cross-linked styrenic divinylbenzene resin) was chosen based on:

- its adsorption capacity for mediators
- safety profile (no extractable toxins/metals)
- good pressure-flow performance.

It is a reverse phase-type resin that interacts with hydrophobic sites on the molecule, thanks to its physical properties like: sphere dimensions, cross linking, porosity, pore size distribution. The resin is well suited for extracorporeal applications because of its high homogeneity, good pressure-flow performance, and excellent mechanical and chemical stability.



Time factor

Sepsis is a dynamic continually changing processes, that varies depending on the type of pathogen, patient age, presence of co-morbidities, as well as genetic factors.

CPFA® maintains its mediator removal capacity for a long time.

The CPFA® therapy is usually performed for 10 hours and is frequently followed by CVVH for the rest of the day. CPFA® treatments are usually continued for 3-5 days.

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