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# **ProLUNG®**



ProLUNG® 3D for the Aquarius™ System



**Aquarius** 

### **A LUNG-PROTECTIVE STRATEGY**



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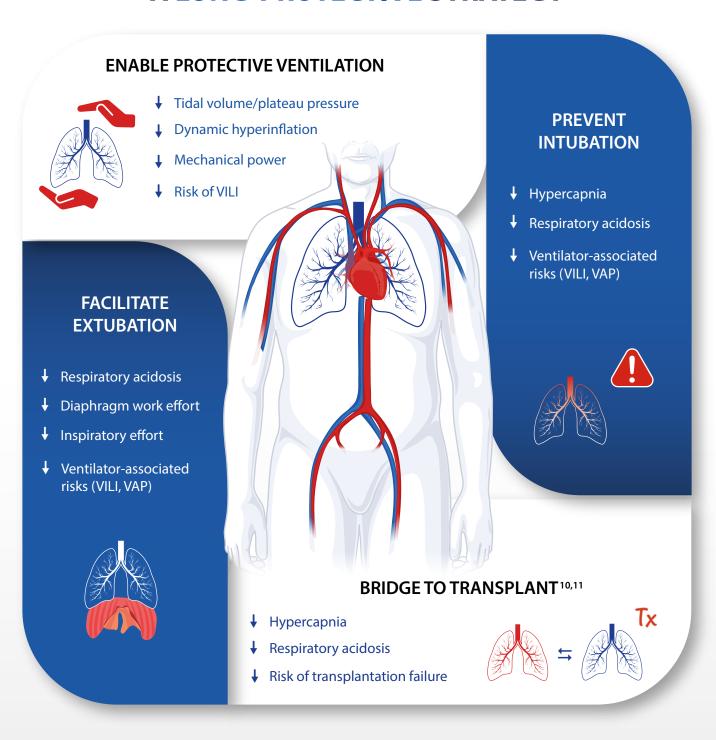




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# PROLUNG® QUALITY AND INNOVATION

ProLUNG® is the reference system for mini-invasive extracorporeal  $CO_2$  removal (ECCO<sub>2</sub>R). ProLUNG® has all the features necessary to guarantee quality ventilatory support with a clinical rationale: high  $CO_2$  removal capacity (VCO<sub>2</sub> > 100 mL/min), low invasiveness for the patient (13-14 Fr bilumen catheter).



### What characteristics should the ideal ECCO₂R system have?

- ☐ High CO₂-removal performance
- ☐ Biocompatibility
- ☐ Reduced priming volume
- ☐ Prolonged kit duration
- ☐ Minimal invasiveness

### Why choose ProLUNG®?

### ProLUNG® 3D



- $\square$  Optimal CO<sub>2</sub>-removal capacity (VCO<sub>2</sub> > 100 mL/min at Qb = 400 mL/min)
- ☑ 1.81 m² membrane in polymethylpentene (PMP) covered with phosphorylcholine
- ☑ Priming volume of 125 mL (artificial lung)
- ☑ 3 days therapy (3D)

### **Double lumen catheter**

✓ Low invasiveness: double lumen catheter ≥ 13 Fr



☑ Femoral, jugular or subclavian vascular access







# PROLUNG® FROM THEORY TO PRACTICE

The research group of Gattinoni and Quintel at UMG carried out an animal study in 2018 to evaluate the CO<sub>2</sub>-removal capacity of the ProLUNG® system under different conditions ¹. The study included 8 adult pigs with a body weight of 57 kg. The animals were sedated, ventilated and treated with ProLUNG® using a 13 Fr catheter. The CO<sub>2</sub>-removal capacity of the VCO<sub>2</sub> ML system (membrane lung) was measured under different conditions of PaCO<sub>2</sub>, blood flow (Qb) and medical air flow.

## High CO<sub>2</sub>-removal capacity VCO<sub>2</sub> > 100 mL/min

The measured VCO₂ reached a maximum value of 171 mL/min.

Typically, a removal of VCO<sub>2</sub> > 100 mL/min can be obtained with PaCO<sub>2</sub> settings between 55 and 80 mmHg, an extracorporeal blood flow (Qb) of 400 mL/min and a gas flow greater than 6 L/min.

# PaCO<sub>2</sub> setting: 30 mmHg 55 mmHg 80 mmHg 100 80 40

VCO<sub>2</sub> (ML) as a function of blood flow (Qb) and three different settings of PaCO<sub>2</sub>: 30, 55 e 80 mmHg.

Blood flow Qb (mL/min)

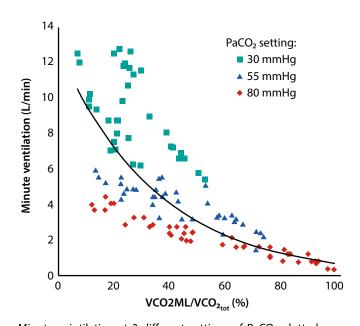
300

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### Reduction of ventilatory burden

Minute ventilation is reduced proportionally to the quantity of  $CO_2$  removed by  $ProLUNG^{\circ}$  (VCO<sub>2</sub> (ML)/VCO<sub>2tot</sub>).

With a  $PaCO_2$  of 74 mmHg and pH 7.3, it was possible to remove up to 138.8 mL/min of  $CO_2$  allowing a reduction of ventilation from 7.4 to 1.9 L/min with no complications. This corresponds to a reduction in mechanical power from 9.3 to 2.6 J/min.



Minute veintilation at 3 different settings of  $PaCO_2$  plotted as a function of  $VCO_2(ML)/VCO_{2_{tot}}$ .

"Minimally invasive extracorporeal  $CO_2$  removal removes a relevant amount of  $CO_2$  thus allowing mechanical ventilation to be significantly reduced depending on extracorporeal blood flow and inflow  $PCO_2$ . Extracorporeal  $CO_2$  removal may provide the physiologic prerequisites for controlling ventilator-induced lung injury.

500

400

The main result of this study was that a considerable amount of  $CO_2$  was removed by the Estor ProLUNG system using only a minimally invasive cannulation and a blood flow rate similar to that used in renal dialysis".

Duscio et al. Crit Care Med. 2019, 47(1):33-40

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100

# PROLUNG® CLINICAL APPLICATIONS

 $ECCO_2R$  is a minimally invasive extracorporeal support for the management of ventilatory insufficiency<sup>2</sup>.  $ECCO_2R$  can facilitate protective ventilation at low tidal volumes or low plateau pressures in patients in mechanical ventilation, as well as facilitating rapid extubation<sup>3</sup>. In patients undergoing non-invasive ventilation (NIV) at risk of failure,  $ECCO_2R$  can prevent the invasiveness and complications of intubation <sup>3-5</sup>.

### COPD 6-9

In COPD patients with exacerbations initially managed in NIV and at risk of failure, ProLUNG® reduces the risk of intubation, thus avoiding the associated comorbidities and the prolonged hospitalization associated with invasive mechanical ventilation. In COPD patients already in invasive mechanical ventilation, ProLUNG® contributes to protective ventilation with the aim of facilitating weaning from the ventilator.

### ARDS 6,7

In patients with moderate ARDS where it is not possible to pursue protective ventilation because of hypercapnic respiratory acidosis, ProLUNG® allows the setting of adequate tidal volumes and plateau pressures, thus avoiding the onset of volutrauma and barotrauma.

### **TRANSPLANTATION 10,11**

In all phases of lung transplantation (pre-intra-post), the use of ProLUNG® protects the lung, avoiding excessive ventilator load and allowing a better management of the transplantation procedure, thus avoiding the risk of having to resort to ECMO in an emergency.

### TISSUE LESIONS 12

In the presence of tissue lesions of the respiratory system (broncho-pleural fistulas, ruptures of the trachea or diaphragmatic lesions), the use of ProLUNG® facilitates protective ventilation.

### REFRACTORY ASTHMA – EXACERBATION OF BRONCHIECTASIS 2,13

In patients with refractory asthma or with exacerbation of bronchiectasis, ProLUNG® facilitates protective ventilation by reducing the load induced by invasive mechanical ventilation and normalizing blood pH values.



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ProLUNG® PLAQUA3D	
Treatment modality	Hemoperfusion
Blood flow	Qb ≤ 450 mL/min (Aquarius™ system)
Membrane type	Polymethylpentene covered with phosphorylcholine
Membrane surface	1,81 m²
Priming volume	Around 250 mL (artificial lung (125 mL) + blood lines)
Sterilization	Ethylene oxide
Duration of single circuit	3 days
Rinsing and priming	2 L physiological solution with 10,000 IU of heparin
Vascular access	≥ 13 Fr double lumen central venous catheter



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