

Electronic supplemental material (ESM)

**Outcome of COVID-19 patients treated with vv-ECMO in Tyrol during  
the pandemic**

**ESM table 1:** Decision making for ECMO support in COVID-19 patients (13-15)

<b>Indications for vv-ECMO initiation</b>	
PaO <sub>2</sub> /FiO <sub>2</sub> <80mmHg for >6h*	
PaO <sub>2</sub> /FiO <sub>2</sub> <50mmHg for >3h*	
pH <7.25 with PaCO <sub>2</sub> ≥60 mmHg for 6h*	
<i>* after optimization of respiratory treatment</i>	
<b>Absolute contraindications</b>	<b>Relative contraindications</b>
Rejection by the patient	Age >65 years* (depending on the biological age)
Pre-existing severe neurological deficit, advanced dementia	Ventilation duration prior ECMO >7 days
End-stage disease (life expectancy <1 year)	Relevant immunosuppressive therapies
Known severe brain injury	Systemic hematologic disorders
Age >75 years or age >70 plus ≥2 relative contraindications	Additional organ failure (except kidney)
End-stage lung disease	Frailty
Disseminated malignancy	Severe aortic regurgitation (VA ECMO)
Child-Pugh C liver cirrhosis	Severe peripheral vascular disease (VA ECMO)
<1 year after allogeneic stem cell transplantation	Chronic heart failure NYHA IV (without option for heart transplantation or ventricular assist device)

\*Age limits possibly will have to be adapted according to the course of the pandemic

NYHA New York Heart Association

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**ESM table 2:** List of COVID-19 intensive care units (ICUs) in Tyrol, Austria who participated in the Tyrolean COVID-19 Intensive Care Registry (Tyrol-CoV-ICU-Reg)

<p>Medical University Innsbruck, Innsbruck, Austria</p>	<p>First wave:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medical ICU, Department of Internal Medicine</li> <li>• Neurosurgical ICU, Department of Neurosurgery</li> <li>• Transplantation ICU, Department of General and Surgical Intensive Care Medicine/Department of Anesthesia and Critical Care Medicine</li> <li>• Recovery room "OZA" (adapted as temporary ICU), Department of General and Surgical Intensive Care Medicine/Department of Anesthesia and Critical Care Medicine</li> <li>• Recovery room "KHZ" (adapted as temporary ICU), Department of General and Surgical Intensive Care Medicine/Department of Anesthesia and Critical Care Medicine</li> <li>• Pediatric Intensive Care Unit, Department of Pediatrics</li> </ul> <p>Second, third and fourth wave:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medical ICU, Department of Internal Medicine</li> <li>• Neurosurgical ICU, Department of Neurosurgery</li> <li>• Transplantation ICU, Department of General and Surgical Intensive Care Medicine/Department of Anesthesia and Critical Care Medicine</li> <li>• General surgery ICU, Department of General and Surgical Intensive Care Medicine/Department of Anesthesia and Critical Care Medicine</li> <li>• Cardiac surgery ICU, Department of General and Surgical Intensive Care Medicine/Department of Anesthesia and Critical Care Medicine</li> <li>• Pediatric Intensive Care Unit, Department of Pediatrics</li> </ul>
<p>Hospital Hall, Hall, Austria</p>	<p>ICU, Department of Anesthesia and Intensive Care Medicine</p>
<p>Hospital Kufstein, Kufstein, Austria</p>	<p>ICU, Department of Anesthesia and Intensive Care Medicine</p>
<p>Hospital Lienz, Lienz, Austria</p>	<p>ICU, Department of Anesthesia and Intensive Care Medicine</p>
<p>Hospital Reutte, Reutte, Austria</p>	<p>ICU, Department of Anesthesia and Intensive Care Medicine</p>
<p>Hospital Schwaz, Schwaz, Austria</p>	<p>ICU, Department of Anesthesia and Critical Care Medicine</p>
<p>Hospital St. Johann i.T., St. Johann in Tyrol, Austria</p>	<p>ICU, Department of Anesthesia and Intensive Care Medicine</p>
<p>Hospital Zams</p>	<p>Medical ICU, Department of Internal Medicine</p> <p>Surgical ICU, Department of Anesthesiology and Critical Care Medicine</p>