

Effect of intraoperative haemoadsorption therapy on cardiac surgery for active infective endocarditis with confirmed *Staphylococcus aureus* bacteraemia.

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► Key Findings

Intra-operative Haemoadsorption has shown to:

- Reduce vasopressors requirement and mortality
- Improve clinical outcomes

in patients after surgery for active *Staphylococcus aureus* infective endocarditis.

► Objective

To study the effect of intraoperative haemoadsorption (HA) on postoperative outcomes in patients with *Staphylococcus aureus* (SA) infective endocarditis, associated with significant morbidity and mortality.

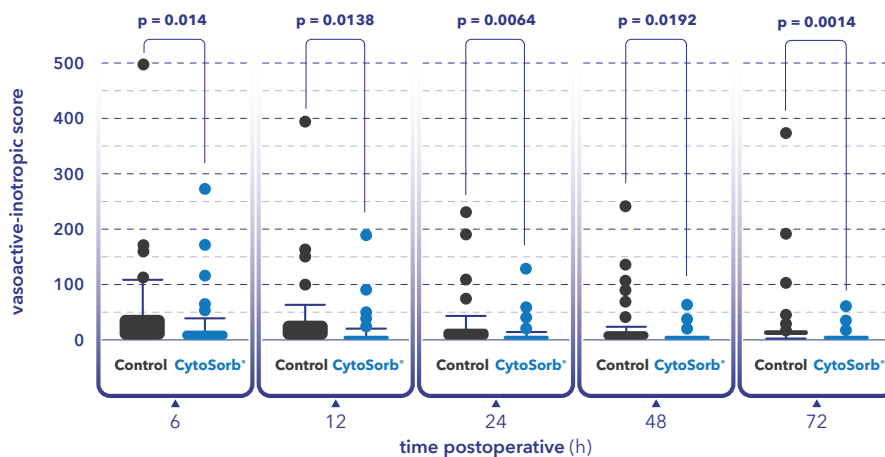
► Methods

- Patients with confirmed SA IE undergoing cardiac surgery were included in a dual-centre study between January 2015 and March 2022. Patients treated with intraoperative HA (HA group, N=75) were compared to patients not treated with HA (control group, N=55).
- Primary outcome was vasoactive-inotropic score within the first 72 h postoperatively.
- Secondary outcomes were sepsis-related mortality (SEPSIS-3 definition) and overall mortality at 30 and 90 days.
- The analysis was a retrospective evaluation of prospectively collected data.

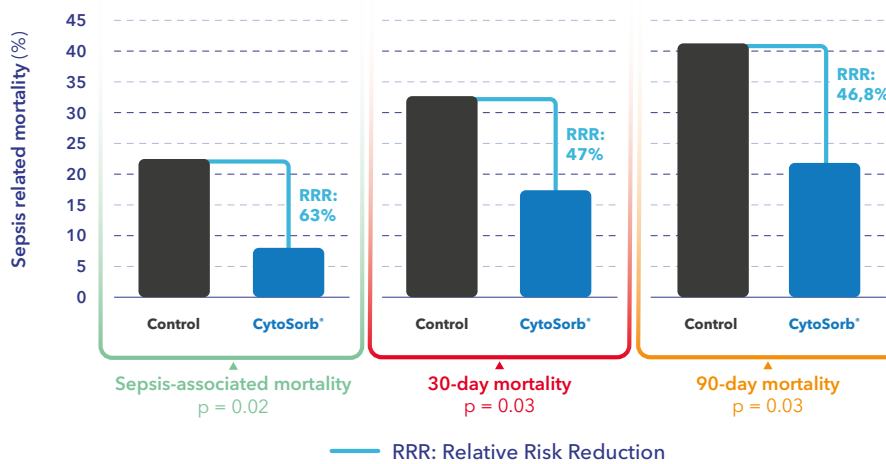
► Results

Intraoperative use of CytoSorb® Therapy in confirmed *S. aureus* IE patients undergoing surgery was associated with:

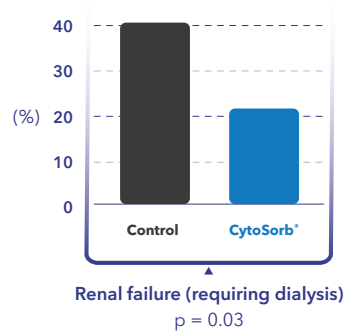
- Significantly lower postoperative vasopressor and inotropic requirements at each timepoint (6, 12, 24, 48 and 72 h)



- Significantly lower sepsis-related and overall 30- and 90-day mortality. This corresponds to a number needed to treat of 5: 1 life saved for every 5 patients treated (at 90 days) and a relative mortality risk reduction of 46.8% compared to standard therapy.



- Significantly lower need for new postoperative RRT.



➤ Conclusions

“Intraoperative HA appears to attenuate the severity of postoperative sepsis, reducing not only the need for vasopressors but also 30- and 90-day mortality in patients undergoing cardiac surgery for IE caused by *S. aureus*.”

For every 5 patients treated with CytoSorb® **1 life saved**

