

# Extracorporeal Blood Pathogen Removal with the Seraph 100

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  - b) Major challenges in the treatment of sepsis
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# The Seraph-100 Extracorporeal Pathogen Removal Filter

- Multiple FDA Breakthrough Designations
  - For patients with COVID-19 and moderate to severe acute respiratory distress syndrome (Q230839/S001)
  - Adjunctive treatment of patients with bacteremia in addition to antibiotics (Q171099)
- FDA Emergency Use Authorization: Over 2,500 Seraphs were used under the FDA's EUA (200165)

# Sepsis is the leading cause of death in the US

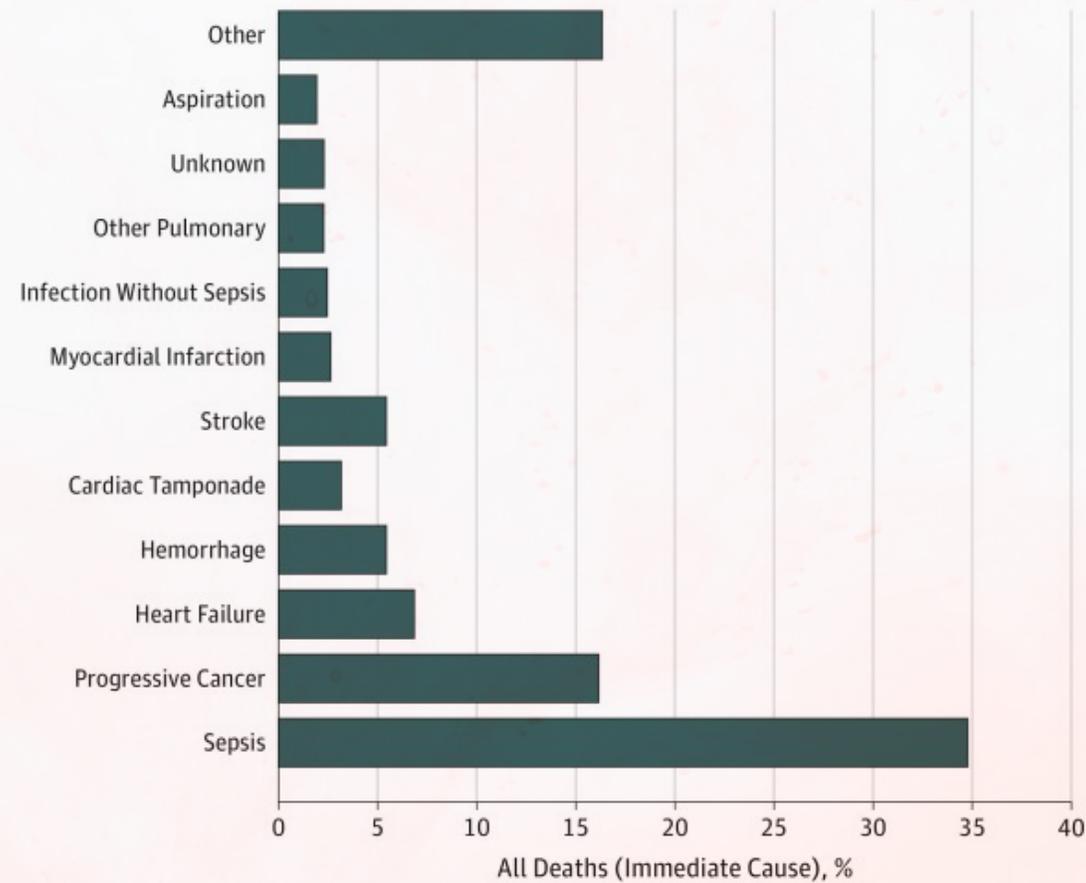
*Rhee C, Jones TM, Hamad Y, Klompas M, et al. for the CDC Prevention Epicenters Program*

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# Obtaining source control is the overarching principle for the treatment of sepsis



**Broad spectrum antibiotics**



**Removal of infected lines**



**Surgical source control**

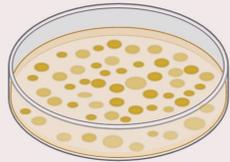


**Removal of pathogens from the blood**

# The Threat of Antibiotic Resistance is High



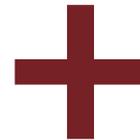
Annually, antibiotic-resistant bacteria and fungi cause an estimated:



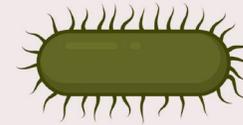
**2,868,700**  
INFECTIONS



**35,900** DEATHS



*Clostridioides difficile* is related to antibiotic use and antibiotic resistance:



**223,900**  
CASES



**12,800** DEATHS

# Extracorporeal Pathogen Removal procedure allows for early intervention before multi-system organ failure occurs

## Extracorporeal Pathogen Removal Procedure



Infection

Sepsis/  
COVID-19

Septic Shock  
Severe  
COVID-19

Multi-System  
Organ  
Failure

Death

# Intended Population for Extracorporeal Pathogen Removal Procedure



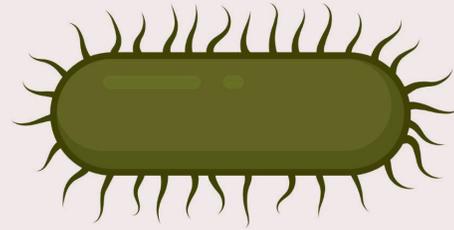
- **Diagnoses to address:** Severe sepsis (R65.2, R65.20) and septic shock (R65.21), ARDS (J80), Acute Respiratory Failure (J96.01)
- **Typical care setting:** Hospitalized ICU patients
- **Coder identification for performance of this procedure:** Procedure note entitled “Extracorporeal Pathogen Removal Procedure”

Extracorporeal Pathogen Removal Procedure

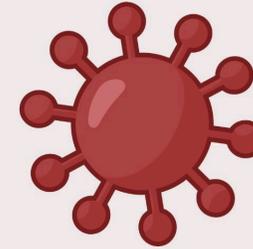
# Seraph<sup>®</sup> 100 Microbind<sup>®</sup> Affinity Blood Filter



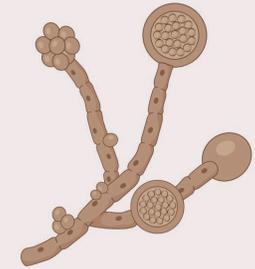
## Broad Pathogen Binding Capacity



**BACTERIA**



**VIRUSES**

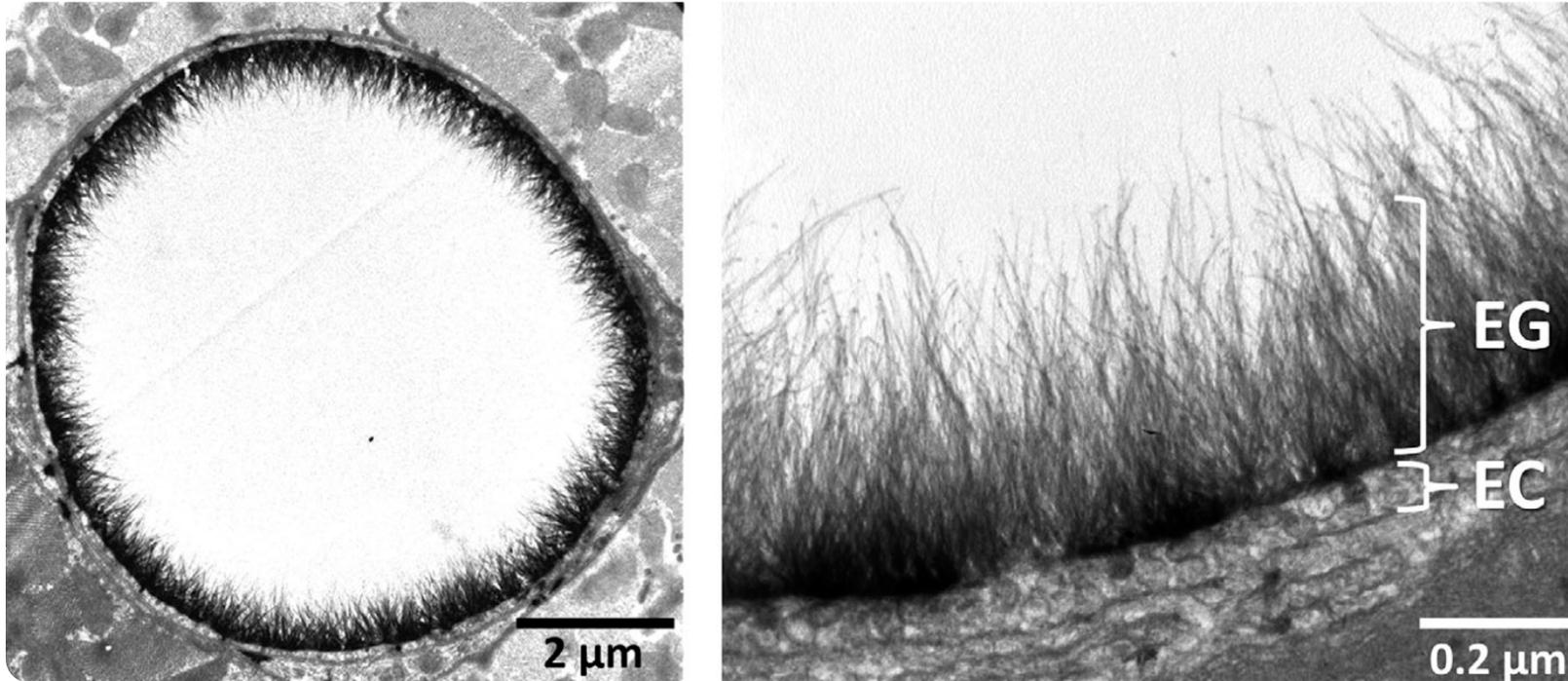


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- Single use, disposable filter
- 3x9 inches in size
- 160 mL priming volume
- 40m<sup>2</sup> surface area
- Contains 0.3 mm heparin-endpoint attached beads

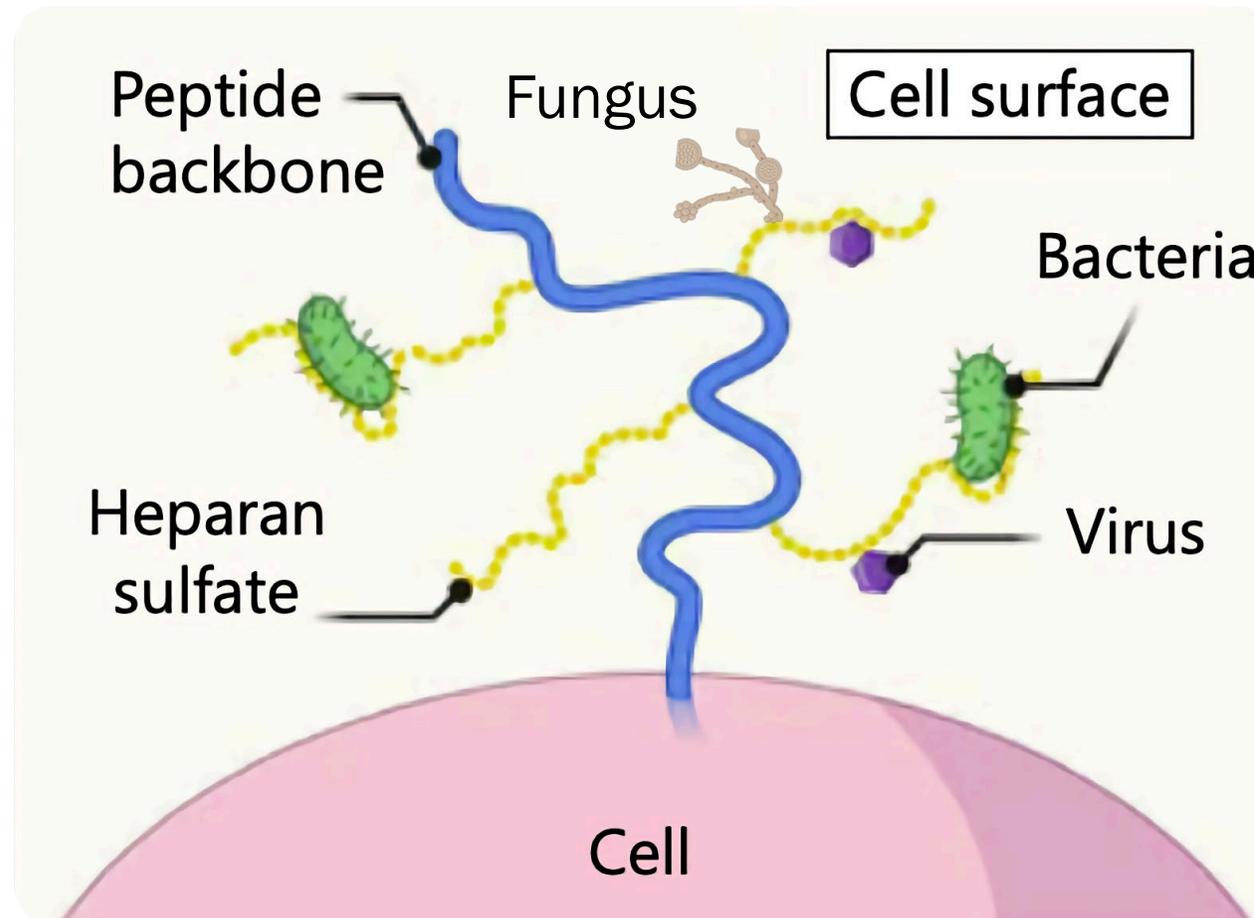
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# Mechanism of Action: The Endothelial Glycocalyx

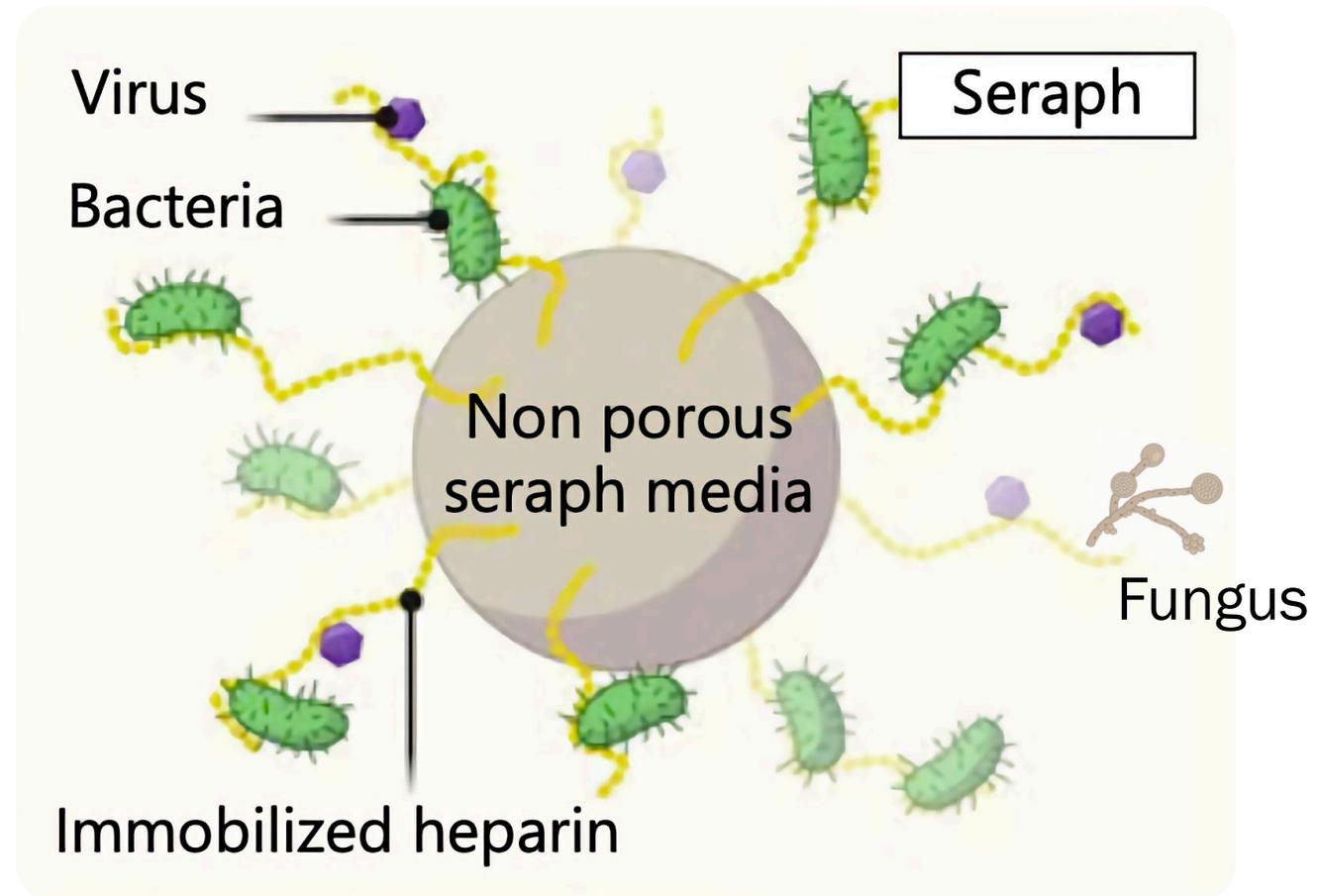


- A matrix lining the vascular endothelium, regulates vascular permeability
- Pathogens bind to *heparan sulfate* proteoglycans which facilitates initial pathogen attachment and promotes infection

Pathogens have a natural affinity to heparan sulfate on the lining of blood vessels/endothelium in our body



# Biomimetic action of the Seraph 100's heparin beads enables extracorporeal removal of pathogens from the circulation



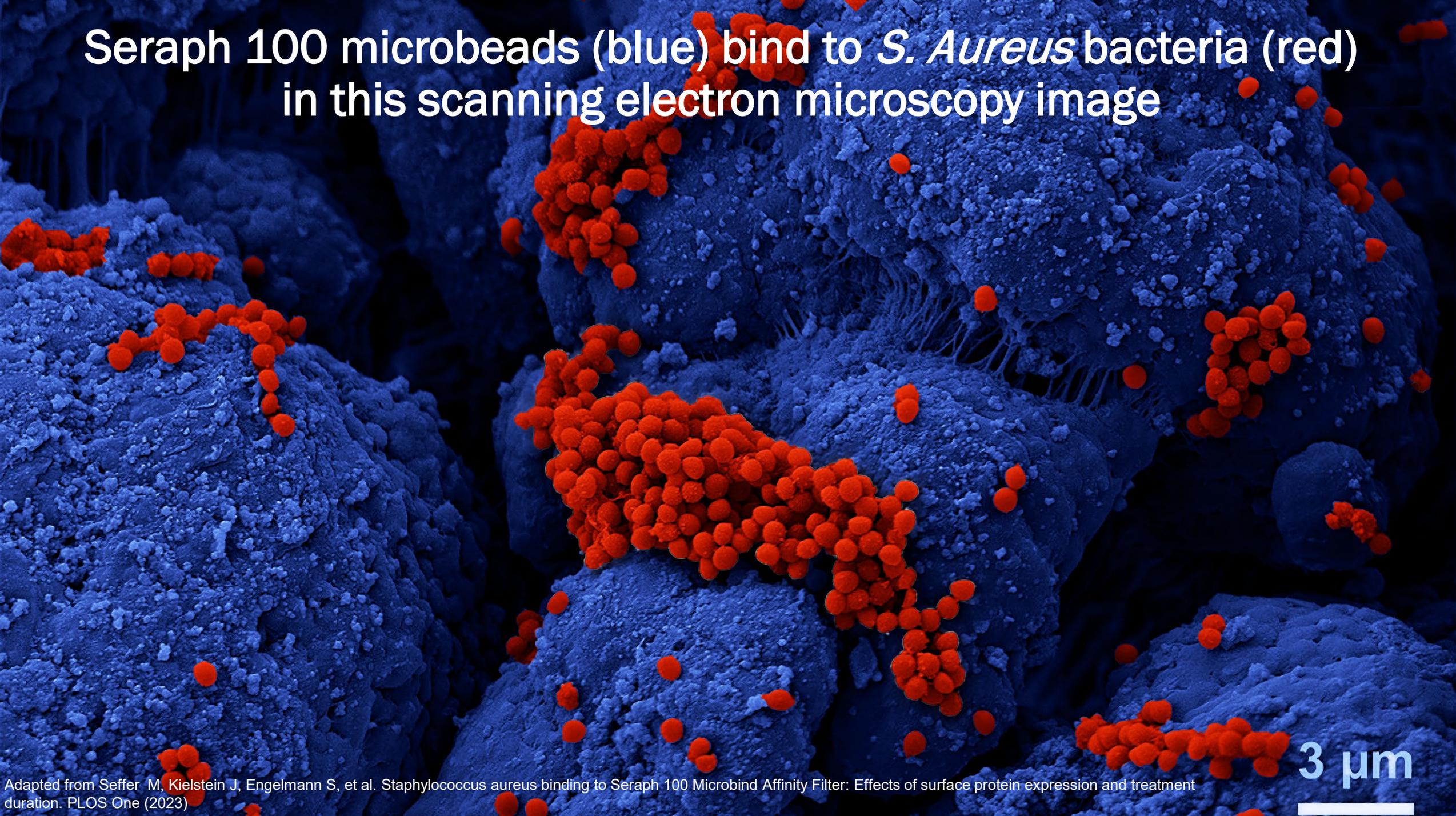
# Seraph 100 Adsorbs Across a Broad Therapeutic Spectrum

<b><i>In vitro</i> Bacteria Binding (Drug-Resistant)</b>	<b>Calculated Maximum Reduction in 4 hr. @ 300 mL/min</b>
<i>K. pneumoniae</i> (CRE)	>99.9 %
<i>E. coli</i>	>99.9 %
<i>E. coli</i> (CRE)	>99.9 %
<i>E. faecalis</i>	>99.9 %
<b>MRSA</b>	>99.9 %
<i>E. faecalis</i> (VRE)	>99.9 %
<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	>99.9 %
<i>S. pyogenes</i>	>99.9 %
<i>S. marcescens</i>	>99.9 %
<i>S. aureus</i>	>99.9 %
<b>Methicillin-Resistant <i>S. epidermidis</i></b>	>99.9 %
<i>S. epidermidis</i>	>99.9 %
<i>E. faecium</i>	>99.9 %
<i>S. pneumoniae</i>	>99.9 %
<i>K. pneumoniae</i>	99.70%

<b><i>In vitro</i> Bacteria, virus, toxin, and DAMP Binding</b>	<b>Calculated Maximum Reduction in 4 hr. @ 300 mL/min</b>
<i>A. baumannii</i>	>99.9 %
HSV-1 and HSV-2	>99.7 %
Ebola	>99.7 %
Zika	>99.7 %
Adenovirus	>99.7 %
CMV	>99.7 %
SARS-CoV-2	>99.7 %
<i>C. albicans</i>	>99.7 %
<i>S. Aureus</i> $\alpha$ -hemolysin	>99.7 %
<i>B. anthracis</i>	>99.7 %
Protective Antigens	>99.7 %
Heparin-Binding Protein	>99.7 %
Histone H4	>99.7 %



Seraph 100 microbeads (blue) bind to *S. Aureus* bacteria (red) in this scanning electron microscopy image



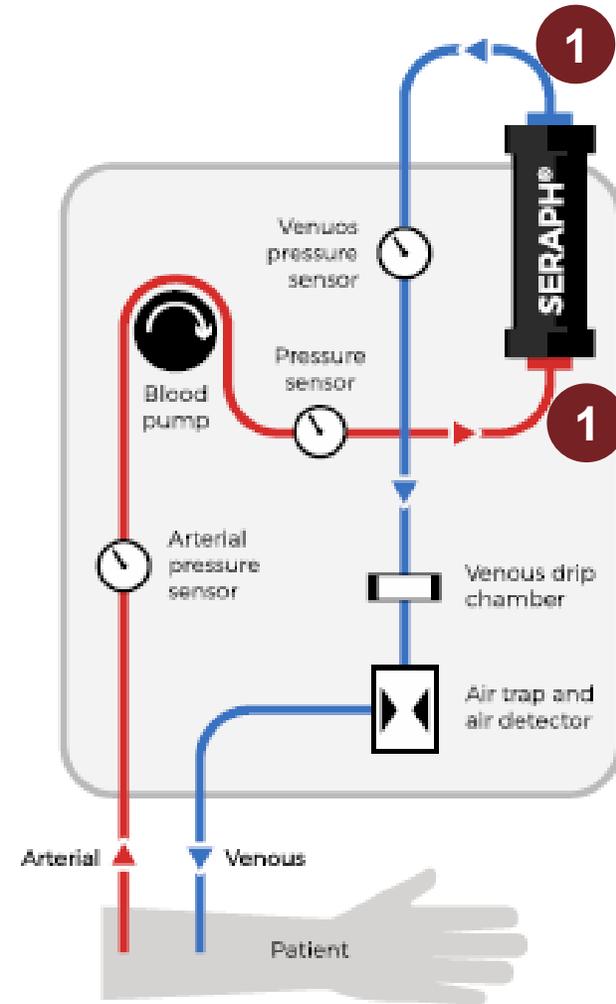
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# Extracorporeal Pathogen Removal Procedural Steps (1 & 2)

**Step 1: Connection of both ports of the Seraph 100 to a blood pump**

**Step 2: Priming the system to remove all air from the Seraph and blood pump lines**

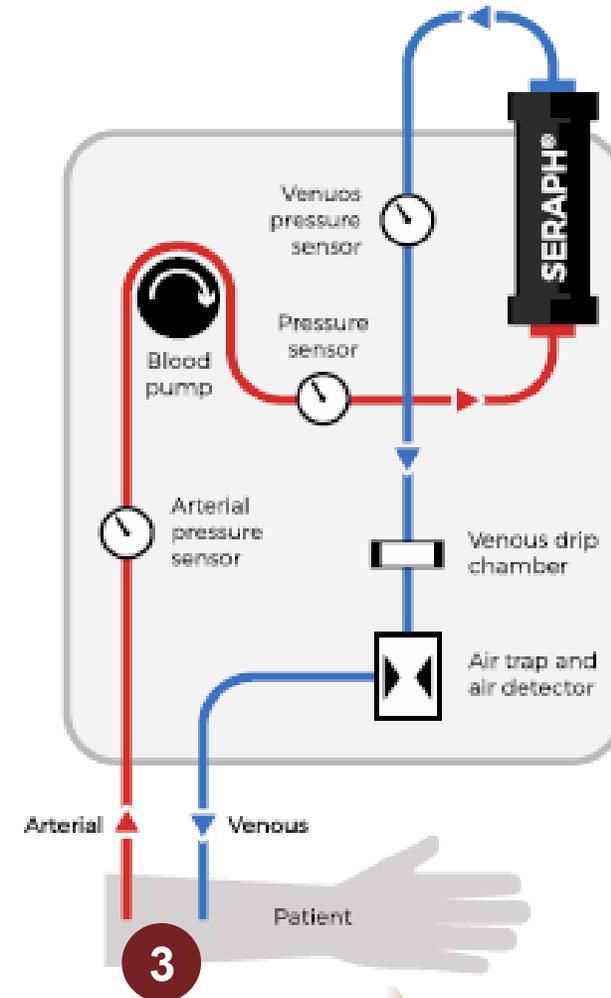
Description: The Extracorporeal Pathogen Removal procedure can be initiated by attaching the inflow port of the Seraph 100 to the arterial limb of a blood pump capable of delivering a blood flow rate between 50-450 mL/min. The outflow port of the Seraph 100 is then connected to the venous limb of the blood pump, and the entire system is primed with normal saline to remove all of the air from the tubing.



# Extracorporeal Pathogen Removal Procedural Steps (3)

## Step 3: Connection of the arterial/venous lines of the blood pump system to the arterial/venous lines of a large bore access catheter

Description: Once the system is primed, the arterial line of the blood pump is connected to the arterial end of a large bore access catheter, and the venous line of the blood pump is connected to the venous end of the same access catheter.

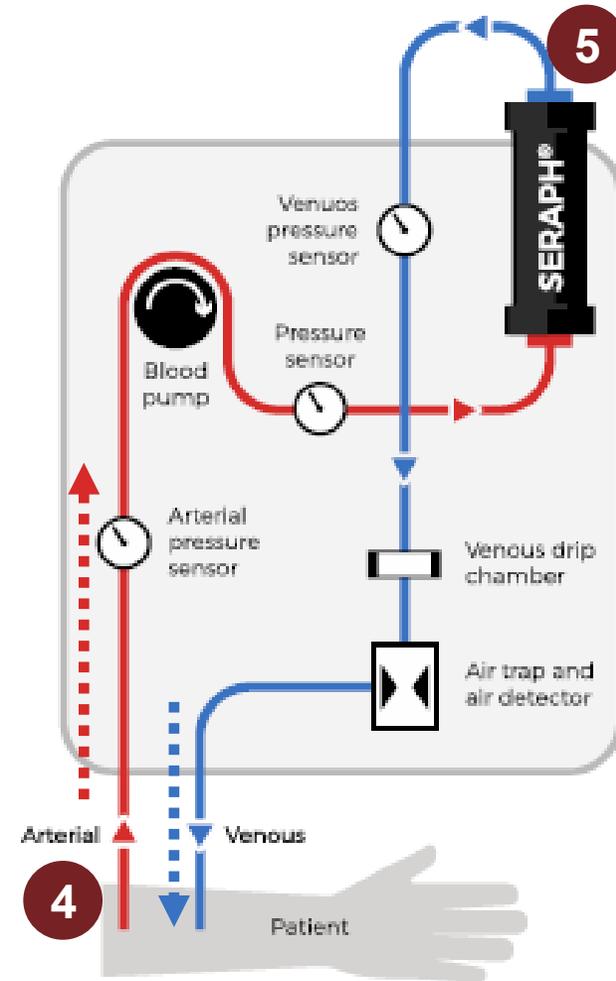


# Extracorporeal Pathogen Removal Procedural Steps (4 & 5)

**Step 4: Initiation of treatment by starting extracorporeal blood flow through a blood pump**

**Step 5: Exposure of the patient's blood to the Seraph 100 adsorption media**

Description: Treatment is initiated by starting the extracorporeal pump and slowly increasing the blood pump speed to achieve a blood flow rate of 50-450 mL/min. The increase in flow must be performed slowly and in conjunction with intensive monitoring of the patient's arterial blood pressure to make sure that hypotension, shock, and cardiovascular collapse do not occur when initially starting this extracorporeal procedure. Furthermore, the arterial and venous pressures on the blood pump must be monitored carefully to detect and correct for any flow restrictions and inappropriate pressure readings in the circuit. Once a steady state blood flow has been reached, the treatment time may be extended for up to 24 hours in order to optimize sufficient exposure of the patient's blood to the Seraph 100 adsorption media.





# Dosage and Documentation

- The administration of the Extracorporeal Pathogen Removal procedure will be documented in the medical record by recording the hourly blood flow rate through the Seraph filter. This will allow the clinician to calculate the total volume of blood filtered by the device, which is how the Extracorporeal Pathogen Removal procedure is dosed.
- To optimize sufficient exposure of the patient's blood to the Seraph 100 adsorption media, please refer to table below for recommended procedure duration according to the blood flow rate:

Blood Flow Rate	Procedure Duration
450 mL/min	3 hours
400 mL/min	4 hours
350 mL/min	5 hours
300 mL/min	6 hours
250 mL/min	7 hours
200 mL/min	8 hours
50-100 mL/min	10 to < 24 hours