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Acute Cardiovascular Care in the Cardiological Intensive Care Unit: What Is New?

Message from the Guest Editors

Acute cardiovascular care in the Cardiological Intensive Care Unit (CICU) has rapidly evolved in the past three years, driven by new evidence, guidelines, and technological innovations. This Special Issue explores emerging strategies for managing critically ill cardiac patients. Recent guidelines, including the 2023 ESC Guidelines on Acute Coronary Syndromes and Cardiogenic Shock, emphasize precise phenotyping and a multidisciplinary care approach. Advances in hemodynamic monitoring (e.g., pulmonary artery catheterization, echocardiographic profiling), early mechanical circulatory support (IABP, Impella, ECMO), and decision algorithms are reshaping management of cardiogenic shock. Trials such as CULPRIT-SHOCK, DANAMI-3, and IABP-SHOCK II continue to inform complex acute coronary syndrome interventions. Riskadapted reperfusion strategies in pulmonary embolism have gained traction. New frontiers include non-invasive ventilation in acute heart failure, myocarditis phenotyping, and the reclassification of cardiomyopathies based on genetics and inflammation. We welcome original research, reviews, and clinical case studies that reflect these trends in cardiovascular. intensive care.

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