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Cardiac Intensive Care Units: Clinical Advances and Future Challenges

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In recent years, there has been an unprecedented surge of interest in critical care cardiology. Observational studies and randomized trials have generated new evidence on key topics such as cardiogenic shock, mechanical circulatory support, and invasive hemodynamic monitoring. Although the field is evolving rapidly, several areas of uncertainty persist. These include the detailed phenotyping of cardiogenic shock patients: improved characterization and management pathways for mixed shock phenotypes; the integration of biomarkers, invasive hemodynamic data, and echocardiography into acute care decision-making; the selection of optimal mechanical circulatory support platforms based on refined patient phenotyping; the incorporation of machine-learning approaches into acute cardiovascular care; and the definition of care paradigms guiding the transition to heart replacement therapies. The aim of this Special Issue is to provide a comprehensive and up-to-date overview of acute cardiovascular care while showcasing emerging evidence to challenge current paradigms and inform future research directions. We warmly invite you to contribute to this innovative and forward-looking Special Issue.

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