



Lipocollect and ADAsorb®

The reusable LDL-adsorbing columns for the operation with a cell separator and the ADAsorb®-device

- The primary plasma separation is performed by the automatic plasmapheresis program of the cell separator, to which the ADAsorb® – treatment program is adapted. This includes priming, plasma loading, cleaning and preservation of the columns. There is no need for manual supply of solutions to the columns.
- All necessary solutions and disposable tubings are CE-certified and assembled in a treatment set.
- The Lipocollect columns are a safe, efficient and economic alternative to single use systems.
 One pair of adsorbers will be used for a duration up to 18 months.
- Each patient has his own long-lived column pair, labelled by his name.
- The columns are stored with a coloured NaN₃containing solution at 2-5° C.

Hypercholesterolemia and LDL-apheresis

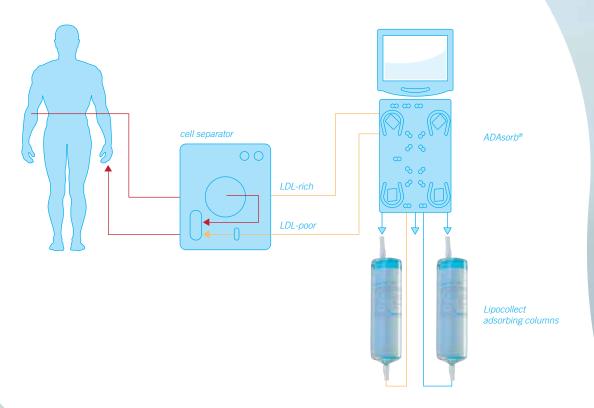
Elevated LDL-cholesterol (hypercholesterolemia) favours damage to the arteries. Deposits and stenosis in the coronary arteries may result in a cardiac infarction by a sudden, complete occlusion. Lowering the "bad" LDL-cholesterol by diet or medication as well as elevating the "good" HDL-cholesterol by physical exercise, may reduce the risk of cardiac infarction. In case of severe, hereditary familial hypercholesterolemia such correctional measures are insufficient. Patients, affected by the homozygous expression of the disease, may not even obtain the adulthood. For such patients LDL-apheresis is helpful.

It is a periodically repeated blood purification procedure, taking 2-4 hours.

Thereby, the blood is drawn continuously from a forearm vein and pumped through an extracorporeal sterile LDL eliminating device. The LDL-free blood is reinfused via a second forearm vein. In weekly or biweekly intervals 60 to 85 % of the LDL-cholesterol is removed per session. Today, LDL-apheresis is a routine treatment.

The conception

- · Utilization of the available cell separator
- ADAsorb® for programmed loading/rinsing of the adsorbing columns
- · Long-lived, reusable columns with constant safety and efficiency



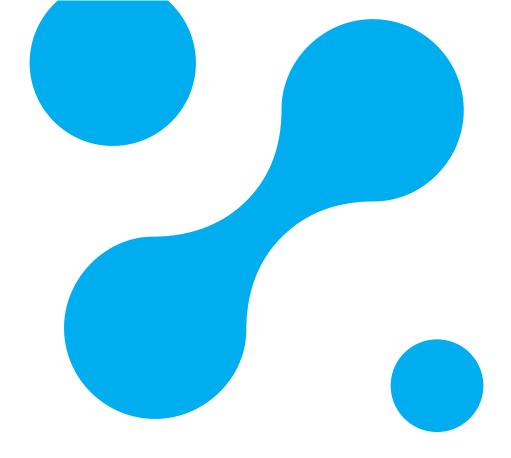




Advantages of Lipocollect

- More than 80 % removal of the LDLcholesterol can be achieved per treatment, even in extremely high pretreatment levels.
- Clinical results indicate, that Lp(a) may be eliminated as much as LDL.
- Lipocollect is a heat-sterile product according to DIN EN 556-1:2002 and DIN EN ISO 17665:2004 (wet heat).
- The Lipocollect columns neither contain biologic nor plastic materials or allergens.
- The licensed durability is 18 months, safety and efficiency are constant during this period.
- The reuse and the preservation are safe.

 Infections or other side effects did not occur.
- The blue colour marking of the preserving solution allows its recognition in the columns.
- A further contribution to the safety is the post column plasma filtration by a separate 1,2 μm particle filter.
- medicollect® affords a warranty on constant efficiency of the columns for 12 month, independent on the frequency of use.



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