

## ADDITIONAL FILE 2: Data on external scores

### Calculation of the SOFA score

Table 1: The SOFA score

SOFA score	0	1	2	3	4
<b>Respiration</b>					
PaO <sub>2</sub> /FIO <sub>2</sub> (mm Hg)	>400	<400	<300	<200 <sup>a</sup>	<100 <sup>a</sup>
<b>Coagulation</b>					
Platelets x10 <sup>3</sup> /mm <sup>3</sup>	>150	<150	<100	<50	<20
<b>Liver</b>					
Bilirubin (mg/dL)	<1.2	1.2-1.9	2.0-5.9	6-11.9	>12.0
<b>Cardiovascular<sup>b</sup></b>	No hypotension	MAP <70	Dopamine ≤5 or dobutamine (any dose)	Dopamine >5 or norepinephrine /epinephrine ≤0.1	Dopamine >15 or norepinephrine/ epinephrine >0.1
<b>CNS<sup>c</sup></b>					
Glasgow Coma Score	15	13-14	10-12	6-9	<6
<b>Renal</b>					
Creatinine (mg/dL) or urine output (mL/day)	<1.2	1.2-1.9	2.0-3.4	3.5-4.9 or <500	>5.0 or <200

MAP mean arterial pressure, CNS central nervous system.

<sup>a</sup>with respiratory support

<sup>b</sup>vasoactive medications administered for at least 1 hr (doses are given in ug/kg/min)

<sup>c</sup>as we do not know the "real" Glasgow Coma Scale in intubated patients, the Glasgow Coma Scale was set to 15 (=SOFA score 0) for all patients.

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### Calculation of the ECMOnet score

In accordance with the original manuscript, the ECMOnet score for each individual was calculated with the following formula where  $ps_i$  is the partial score assigned to each of the 5 parameters as given in Table 2:

$$ECMOnet\ score = \left( \sum_{i=1}^5 ps_i \right) - 1$$

Table 2: The ECMOnet score

PARAMETER	PARTIAL SCORE ( $ps_i$ )
1) PreECMO hospital length of stay, days	
≤ 3	0.5
4 - 7	1
8 - 11	1.5
> 11	2
2) Bilirubin, mg/dl	
≤ 0.15	0
0.16 - 0.65	0.5
0.66 - 1.15	1
1.16 - 1.65	1.5
1.66 - 2.15	2
> 2.15	2.5
3) Creatinine, mg/dl	
≤ 0.5	0
0.51 - 0.80	0.5
0.81 - 1.10	1
1.11 - 1.40	1.5
1.41 - 1.70	2
1.71 - 2.00	2.5
2.01 - 2.30	3
> 2.30	3.5
4) Hematocrit, %	
> 40	0.5
36 - 40	1
31 - 35	1.5
≤ 30	2.0
5) Mean arterial pressure, mmHg	
> 90	0
61 - 90	0.5
≤ 60	1

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#### Calculation of the PRESERVE score

Table 3: The PRESERVE score calculated with parameters available at the time of decision to initiate ECMO

Parameter	Score
Age (years)	
<45	0
45–55	2
>55	3
Body mass index >30	-2
Immunocompromised	2
SOFA >12 <sup>a</sup>	1
MV >6 days	1
No prone positioning before ECMO	1
PEEP < 10 cm H <sub>2</sub> O	2
Plateau pressure >30 cm H <sub>2</sub> O	2
Total score <sup>c</sup>	0–12

ECMO extracorporeal membrane oxygenation, ICU intensive care unit, MV mechanical ventilation, PEEP positive end-expiratory pressure, PRESERVE PRedicting dEath for SEvere ARDS on VV-ECMO, SAPS II simplified acute physiology score, SOFA sepsis-related organ failure assessment

<sup>a</sup>Immunocompromised status included hematological malignancies, solid tumors, solid organ transplantation, high-dose or long-term corticosteroid and/or immunosuppressant use, or human immunodeficiency virus infection

<sup>b</sup>SOFA score was preferred over SAPS II (excluding the age component) for simpler use of the score at the bedside

<sup>c</sup>Higher score indicates higher probability of death by 6 months post-ICU discharge; PRESERVE scores -1 and -2 converted to 0 for simplification

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