

# Impella RP<sup>®</sup> System

with the Automated Impella<sup>®</sup> Controller

**Circulatory Support System**

## **INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE & CLINICAL REFERENCE MANUAL**

(United States only)



Recovering hearts. Saving lives.™

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Read this entire manual before using the Impella RP System. The Impella RP System is to be used only in accordance with this manual. This manual is only applicable to Impella systems using the Automated Impella Controller.

Information contained in this document is subject to change without notice.

©2017 Abiomed®, Inc. All rights reserved.

The ABIOMED logo and ABIOMED are registered trademarks of Abiomed, Inc. in the U.S.A. and certain foreign countries.

*Recovering hearts. Saving lives.* is a trademark of Abiomed, Inc.

Impella is a registered trademark of Abiomed Europe GmbH, a wholly owned subsidiary of Abiomed, Inc., in the U.S.A. and certain foreign countries.

---

# **IMPELLA RP® SYSTEM**

## **INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE**

## **& CLINICAL REFERENCE MANUAL**

(UNITED STATES ONLY)

---

**Rx Only**

**Abiomed, Inc.**

22 Cherry Hill Drive  
Danvers, MA 01923  
978-777-5410 (voice)  
978-777-8411 (fax)  
clinical@abiomed.com (email)

**Abiomed Europe GmbH**

Neuenhofer Weg 3  
52074 Aachen, Germany  
+49 (241) 8860-0 (voice)  
+49 (241) 8860-111 (fax)  
europe@abiomed.com (email)

**[www.abiomed.com](http://www.abiomed.com)**

**24-Hour Emergency Hotlines:**

N. America 1-800-422-8666  
Europe +49 (0) 1805 2246633

MARCH 2017  
Document No. 0046-9051 Rev. D

---

# TABLE OF CONTENTS

## INTRODUCTION

Introduction.....	I
-------------------	---

## 1 INDICATIONS, CONTRAINDICATIONS, AND POTENTIAL ADVERSE EVENTS

Indications (United States) .....	1.1
Contraindications (United States) .....	1.1
Potential Adverse Events (United States) .....	1.2

## 2 WARNINGS AND CAUTIONS

Warnings .....	2.1
Cautions .....	2.3

## 3 THE IMPELLA RP CATHETER AND AUTOMATED IMPELLA CONTROLLER

Overview .....	3.1
Impella RP Catheter .....	3.3
Automated Impella Controller .....	3.5
Purge Cassette .....	3.6
Accessories .....	3.8

## 4 USING THE AUTOMATED IMPELLA® CONTROLLER

Overview .....	4.1
Automated Impella Controller Features .....	4.1
Automated Impella Controller Display .....	4.5
Placement Screen .....	4.8
Purge Screen .....	4.9
Infusion History .....	4.10
Mobile Operation .....	4.11

## 5 USING THE AUTOMATED IMPELLA CONTROLLER WITH THE IMPELLA RP CATHETER

Startup .....	5.1
Case Start .....	5.4
Inserting the Impella RP Catheter .....	5.10
Positioning and Starting the Impella RP Catheter .....	5.12
Use of the Repositioning Sheath and the 23 Fr Peel-away Introducer .....	5.13
P-Levels .....	5.14
Suction .....	5.14
Purge Cassette Procedures .....	5.15
Troubleshooting the Purge System .....	5.18
Patient Weaning .....	5.20
Removing the Impella RP Catheter .....	5.20

## 6 CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

Pivotal Clinical Study Design – RECOVER RIGHT .....	6.1
Accountability of Cohort .....	6.4

## 7 AUTOMATED IMPELLA CONTROLLER

### ALARMS

Alarms Overview .....	7.1
Alarm Message Summary .....	7.3

## 8 GENERAL SYSTEM INFORMATION

Terminology, Abbreviations, and Symbols .....	8.1
Automated Impella Controller Mechanical Specifications .....	8.3
Automated Impella Controller Electrical Specifications .....	8.3
Equipment Design .....	8.4
Equipment Classifications .....	8.5
Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Notice .....	8.5
Electromagnetic Compatibility .....	8.6
Transport Between Hospitals .....	8.10
Transport Within the Hospital .....	8.11
Slave Monitor Connection .....	8.11
Alarm Delay Information .....	8.12
Patient Environment .....	8.12
White Connector Cable .....	8.13
Impella RP Catheter Parameters .....	8.13
Cleaning .....	8.14
Storing the Automated Impella Controller .....	8.14
Returning an Impella RP Catheter to Abiomed (United States) .....	8.14

## APPENDICES

Appendix A: Automated Impella® Controller Menu Structure .....	A.1
--	-----

---

---

## TABLE OF CONTENTS

### FIGURES

Figure 3.1	Impella RP Catheter in the Heart .....	3.1
Figure 3.2	Automated Impella Controller, Impella RP Catheter, and Accessories 3.2 .....	
Figure 3.3	Impella RP Catheter .....	3.3
Figure 3.4	Automated Impella Controller – Front View .....	3.5
Figure 3.5	Purge Cassette.....	3.6
Figure 3.6	White Connector Cable.....	3.8
Figure 3.7	Introducer kit .....	3.8
Figure 3.8	0.025 inch, 260 cm Placement Guidewire .....	3.8
Figure 3.9	Dextrose Solution.....	3.9
Figure 3.10	Automated Impella Controller Cart.....	3.9
Figure 4.1	Automated Impella Controller Features – Front View.....	4.1
Figure 4.2	Automated Impella Controller Features – Side Views .....	4.3
Figure 4.3	Automated Impella Controller Display Elements .....	4.5
Figure 4.4	Placement Screen.....	4.8
Figure 4.5	Purge Screen.....	4.9
Figure 4.6	Infusion History Screen.....	4.11
Figure 5.1	Automated Impella Controller Power Switch.....	5.2
Figure 5.2	Automated Impella Controller Startup Screen.....	5.3
Figure 5.3	Initial Case Start Screen .....	5.4
Figure 5.4	Inserting the Purge Cassette into the Automated Impella Controller 5.5 .....	
Figure 5.5	Inserting the Catheter Plug into the Connector Cable.....	5.6
Figure 5.6	Snapping Purge Clip to Connector Cable.....	5.6
Figure 5.7	Connecting the Luer to the Impella RP Catheter .....	5.7
Figure 5.8	Priming the Purge .....	5.7
Figure 5.9	Entering Purge Fluid Information.....	5.8
Figure 5.10	Changing Purge Fluid Information .....	5.9
Figure 5.11	Connecting the Purge Tubing to the Connector Cable.....	5.9
Figure 5.12	Impella RP System Configuration .....	5.10
Figure 5.13	Maximum Performance Level.....	5.12
Figure 5.13	Disconnecting the Y Connector from the Purge Cassette Tubing 5.15 .....	
Figure 6.1	Study Flow Schematic.....	6.4
Figure 6.2	Cardiac Index (CI) and Central Venous Pressure (CVP) Measured During the Study .....	6.9
Figure 6.3	LVAD Flow Changes from Baseline to On-support .....	6.10
Figure 6.4	Use of Inotropes During Impella RP Support.....	6.10
Figure 6.5	Right Ventricular Function Changes from Baseline to 30 Days or Discharge.....	6.11
Figure 7.1	Alarm Window .....	7.2
Figure 8.1	Automated Impella Controller Patient Environment .....	8.12

### TABLES

Table 3.1	Impella RP Catheter Components .....	3.3
Table 3.2	Purge Cassette Components.....	3.7
Table 3.3	Impella RP Catheter and Automated Impella Controller Accessories 3.8 .....	
Table 4.1	Automated Impella Controller Front View Features .....	4.2
Table 4.2	Automated Impella Controller Side View Features .....	4.4
Table 4.3	Automated Impella Controller Display Elements.....	4.5
Table 5.1	P-Level Flow Rates.....	5.14
Table 6.1	Patient Characteristics .....	6.5
Table 6.2	Baseline Laboratory Parameters .....	6.6
Table 6.3	Procedural Characteristics .....	6.7
Table 6.4	Support and Hemodynamic Characteristics.....	6.7
Table 6.5	Patient Outcomes .....	6.8
Table 6.6	Secondary Safety Endpoints .....	6.8
Table 7.1	Alarm Levels .....	7.1
Table 7.2	Automated Impella Controller Alarm Messages .....	7.3
Table 8.1	Terminology and Abbreviations.....	8.1
Table 8.2	Symbols.....	8.1
Table 8.2	Symbols (continued) .....	8.2
Table 8.3	Mechanical specifications for the Automated Impella Controller ....	8.3
Table 8.4	Electrical specifications for the Automated Impella Controller .....	8.3
Table 8.5	Equipment classifications.....	8.5
Table 8.6	Guidance and manufacturer's declaration - emissions, all equipment and systems.....	8.6
Table 8.7	Guidance and manufacturer's Declaration - Immunity.....	8.7
Table 8.8	Guidance and manufacturer's declaration - emissions, equipment and systems that are life-supporting.....	8.8
Table 8.10	RFID transmitter / receiver specifications.....	8.9
Table 8.9	Recommended separation distances between portable and mobile RF communications equipment and the Automated Impella Controller, equipment and systems that are life-supporting .....	8.9
Table 8.11	Alarm Delay Information .....	8.12
Table 8.12	Impella Catheter Parameters.....	8.13

---

# INTRODUCTION

## PURPOSE OF MANUAL

This Instructions for Use & Clinical Reference Manual is designed for healthcare professionals. It contains clinical and technical information to guide healthcare professionals in their use of the Impella RP Catheter with the Automated Impella Controller. The Impella RP System performs life-sustaining functions. To use the system you must understand and follow these instructions. The Impella RP System may be used only for its intended purpose.

## MANUAL OVERVIEW

This manual provides instructions for use of the Impella RP Catheter with the Automated Impella Controller. The following summarizes the contents of each section of the manual.

- **Section 1: Indications, Contraindications, and Potential Adverse Events** discusses indications for use of the Impella RP Catheter with the Automated Impella Controller, contraindications, and potential adverse events that may be associated with the use of the system.
- **Section 2: Warnings and Cautions** discusses the warnings and cautions pertaining to the use of the Impella RP Catheter with the Automated Impella Controller.
- **Section 3: The Impella RP Catheter and Automated Impella Controller** provides an overview of the system and describes its major components and features.
- **Section 4: Using the Automated Impella Controller** describes the controls and various screen types on the Automated Impella Controller.
- **Section 5: Using the Automated Impella Controller with the Impella RP Catheter** provides the procedures for using the Impella RP System.
- **Section 6: Clinical Experience** provides an overview of the RECOVER RIGHT trial, which studied the use of the Impella RP System in a U.S. clinical trial. The results of this trial were reviewed by the FDA prior to its approval of the Impella RP System.
- **Section 7: Automated Impella Controller Alarms** provides a listing of Automated Impella Controller alarms as well as information on what to do to resolve them.
- **Section 8: General System Information** contains information including definitions for key terms that appear in the manual, descriptions of the abbreviations and symbols that appear on Impella RP Catheter and Automated Impella Controller components and packaging, technical information pertaining to the Impella RP Catheter and Automated Impella Controller, and instructions on cleaning and storing system components as well as returning components to Abiomed.
- **Appendices** at the end of the manual provide supplemental information about topics including the Automated Impella Controller menu structure.

# 1 INDICATIONS, CONTRAINDICATIONS, AND POTENTIAL ADVERSE EVENTS



INDICATIONS (UNITED STATES) .....	1.1
CONTRAINDICATIONS (UNITED STATES).....	1.1
POTENTIAL ADVERSE EVENTS (UNITED STATES) .....	1.2

---

## INDICATIONS (UNITED STATES)

The Impella RP System is indicated for providing temporary right ventricular support for up to 14 days in patients with a body surface area  $\geq 1.5 \text{ m}^2$ , who develop acute right heart failure or decompensation following left ventricular assist device implantation, myocardial infarction, heart transplant, or open-heart surgery.

---

## CONTRAINDICATIONS (UNITED STATES)

The Impella RP System is contraindicated for patients with the following conditions:

- Disorders of the pulmonary artery wall that would preclude placement or correct positioning of the Impella RP device
- Mechanical valves, severe valvular stenosis or valvular regurgitation of the tricuspid or pulmonary valve
- Mural thrombus of the right atrium or vena cava
- Anatomic conditions precluding insertion of the pump
- Presence of a vena cava filter or caval interruption device, unless there is clear access from the femoral vein to the right atrium that is large enough to accommodate a 22 Fr catheter



---

## POTENTIAL ADVERSE EVENTS (UNITED STATES)

Below is a list of the potential adverse effects (eg, complications) associated with the use of the Impella RP System:

- Death
- Arrhythmia
- Atrial fibrillation
- Bleeding
- Cardiac tamponade
- Cardiogenic shock
- Device malfunction
- Hemolysis
- Hepatic failure
- Insertion site infection
- Perforation
- Phlegmasia cerulea dolens (a severe form of deep venous thrombosis)
- Pulmonary valve insufficiency
- Respiratory dysfunction
- Sepsis
- Thrombocytopenia
- Thrombotic vascular (non-central nervous system) complication
- Tricuspid valve injury
- Vascular injury
- Venous thrombosis
- Ventricular fibrillation and/or tachycardia

## 2 WARNINGS AND CAUTIONS



WARNINGS .....2.1

CAUTIONS ..... 2.3

## WARNINGS



The Impella RP System is intended for use only by personnel trained in accordance with the Abiomed Training Program.



Fluoroscopy is required to guide placement of the Impella RP Catheter. The small placement guidewire must be reliably observed at all times.



Be sure that the stopcock on the repositioning sheath is always kept in the closed position. Significant bleed back can result if the stopcock is open.



Avoid manual compression of the inlet, outlet, or sensor areas of the cannula assembly.



The sterile components of the Impella RP System can be used only if the sterilization indicators show that the contents have been sterilized, the packaging is not damaged, and the expiration date has not elapsed.



Do **NOT** resterilize or reuse the Impella RP Catheter. It is a disposable device and is intended for single use only. Reuse, reprocessing, reinserting through the introducer, or resterilization may compromise the structural integrity of the catheter and/or lead to catheter failure which, in turn, may result in patient injury, illness, or death.



Retrograde flow will occur from the pulmonary artery back into the inferior vena cava if the Impella RP Catheter is set at performance level P0.



Do **NOT** use saline in the purge system.



Do **NOT** use an Impella RP System if any part of the system is damaged.



To prevent the risk of explosion, do **NOT** operate the Impella RP System near flammable anesthetics.



If at any time during the course of support with the Impella RP Catheter, the Automated Impella Controller alarms "Purge Pressure Low" or "Purge System Open," follow the instructions presented in section 5 of this manual.



**MR Unsafe** - Do **NOT** subject a patient who has been implanted with an Impella RP Catheter to magnetic resonance imaging (MRI). The strong magnetic energy produced by an MRI machine may cause the Impella RP System components to stop working, and result in injuries to the patient. An MRI may also damage the Impella RP System electronics.




Cardiopulmonary support (CPR) should be initiated immediately per hospital protocol if indicated for any patient supported with the Impella RP Catheter. When initiating CPR, reduce the Impella RP Catheter flow rate. When cardiac function has been restored, return flow rate to the previous level and assess the placement signal on the controller.



During defibrillation, do **NOT** touch the Impella RP Catheter, cables, or Automated Impella Controller.

### Warnings

*Warnings alert you to situations that can cause death or serious injury. The red symbol  appears before warning messages.*



Power the Automated Impella Controller using its internal battery if the integrity of the protective earth conductor is questionable.



Medical electrical equipment needs special precautions regarding EMC and needs to be installed and put into service according to the electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) information provided in section 8 of this manual.



During transport, the Automated Impella Controller may be exposed to stronger electromagnetic disturbance than during in-hospital use. Strong electromagnetic disturbance may cause the Automated Impella Controller to display soft button menu selections that were not selected by the user. Operators should be aware that, under these conditions, the operating parameters are not affected. No user intervention is required. Monitor Impella RP Catheter flow and patient hemodynamics to confirm normal operation. The condition will resolve itself once the Automated Impella Controller is no longer exposed to the disturbance.



Portable and mobile RF communications equipment can affect medical electrical equipment.



The equipment or system should not be used adjacent to or stacked with other equipment. If adjacent or stacked use is necessary, the equipment or system should be observed to verify normal operation in the configuration in which it will be used.



Use of cables, other than those sold by Abiomed, may result in increased emissions or decreased immunity of the Automated Impella Controller.



The Automated Impella Controller uses RFID (radio frequency identification) to identify and communicate with the purge cassette. Other equipment may interfere with the Automated Impella Controller even if that other equipment complies with CISPR emission requirements.



Avoid overinserting the Impella RP Catheter and possibly impinging the catheter tip against the walls of the vasculature, atrium, or ventricle.



Torquing the catheter should be monitored carefully using fluoroscopy.



Do **NOT** advance or withdraw the Impella RP Catheter against resistance without using fluoroscopy to determine the cause of the resistance. Doing so could result in separation of the catheter or guidewire tip, damage to the catheter or vessel, or perforation.

## CAUTIONS



Handle with care. The Impella RP Catheter can be damaged during removal from packaging, preparation, insertion, and removal. Do **NOT** bend, pull, or place excess pressure on the catheter or mechanical components at any time.



Inspect the Impella RP Set packaging while opening. In the event that any key components, including its end seal labels, are damaged excessively during shipment, the use of a back-up Impella RP Set should be considered.



Patients with tricuspid or pulmonary valve stenosis or insufficiency, and patients with prosthetic tricuspid or pulmonary valves, may be compromised by the use of the Impella RP Catheter.



Use only original accessories and replacement parts supplied by Abiomed.



Do **NOT** use damaged or contaminated connector cables.



To prevent device failure, do **NOT** start the Impella RP Catheter until the placement guidewire has been removed.



Do **NOT** remove the Impella RP Catheter over the length of the placement guidewire.



When replacing the purge cassette, the replacement process must be completed within 90 seconds. The Impella RP Catheter may be damaged if replacement takes longer than 90 seconds.



To prevent malfunction of the Automated Impella Controller, avoid long-term exposure to direct sunlight and excessive heat (40°C).



To prevent overheating and improper operation, do **NOT** block the cooling vents of the Automated Impella Controller while it is operating.



Do **NOT** kink or clamp any part of the Impella RP Catheter.



Do **NOT** use the Impella RP Catheter with a damaged or kinked introducer. Replace the introducer if a kink is observed.



The Li-Ion batteries must be charged for 5 hours prior to system operation in order to meet the runtime requirement of 1 hour. Failure to do so will yield a shorter runtime. After being unplugged, the Automated Impella Controller will operate for at least 60 minutes after the batteries have been fully charged.




Minimize exposure of Impella RP System components to sources of electromagnetic interference (EMI). Exposure to sources of EMI, such as cell phones and two-way radios, may cause operational interference. To clear interference, either increase the distance between system components and the EMI source or turn off the EMI source.



Operation of Impella RP System components may interfere with the operation of other devices. If interference occurs, increase the distance between the device and system components.

### Cautions

*Cautions indicate situations in which equipment may malfunction, be damaged, or cease to operate. The yellow symbol  appears before caution messages.*



Operation of the system without heparin in the purge solution has not been tested. In the event that a patient is intolerant to heparin, due to heparin-induced thrombocytopenia or bleeding, physicians should use their clinical judgment to assess the risks versus benefits of operating the Impella System without heparin. If it is in the best interest of the patient to operate the system without heparin, the dextrose solution is still required, and physicians should consider systemic delivery of an alternative anticoagulant. Do **NOT** add any alternative anticoagulant (such as a direct thrombin inhibitor) to the purge fluid. The Impella Catheter has not been tested with any alternative anticoagulants in the purge solution.



Have a backup Automated Impella Controller, purge cassette, connector cable, and Impella RP Catheter available in the unlikely event of a device failure.



Do **NOT** use the bed mount as a handle.



Insertion through the left femoral vein may result in repeated attempts to properly position the Impella RP, which could cause excessive manipulation and pump damage. As a result, left femoral insertion should be avoided whenever possible.

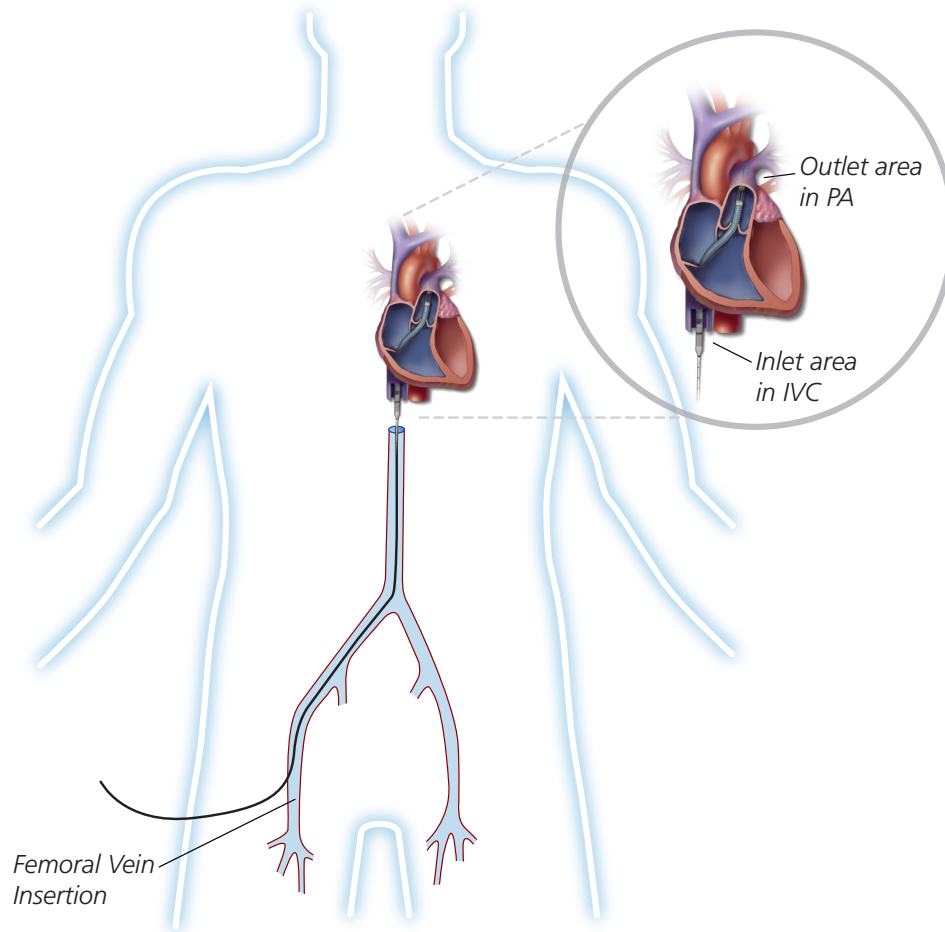
# 3 THE IMPELLA RP CATHETER AND AUTOMATED IMPELLA CONTROLLER



- OVERVIEW .....3.1
  - Reusable System Components .....3.2
  - Single-use System Components .....3.2
  - System Configuration.....3.2
- IMPELLA RP CATHETER ..... 3.3
  - Differential Pressure Sensor .....3.4
- AUTOMATED IMPELLA CONTROLLER.....3.5
- PURGE CASSETTE .....3.6
- ACCESSORIES .....3.8

## OVERVIEW

The Impella RP Catheter is an intracardiac microaxial blood pump that supports a patient's pulmonary circulation. The Impella RP Catheter is inserted percutaneously through the femoral vein and into the pulmonary artery (see Figure 3.1).



**Figure 3.1** *Impella RP Catheter in the Heart*

When properly positioned, the Impella RP Catheter delivers blood from the inlet area, which sits in the inferior vena cava, through the cannula, to the outlet opening in the pulmonary artery. Physicians and device operators monitor Impella RP Catheter function on the display screen of the Automated Impella Controller.

The intent of the therapy with the Impella RP System is to provide a percutaneous circulatory support system to restore normal right heart hemodynamics, reduce right ventricular work, and allow the right heart time to potentially recover adequate contractile function or to be bridged to the next therapy.

This section describes the components of the Impella RP Catheter and the Automated Impella Controller, as well as the accessory components.



## REUSABLE SYSTEM COMPONENTS

The Impella RP System consists of the following reusable components:

- Automated Impella Controller—provides the user interface, alarm indications, and portable battery
- Automated Impella Controller cart—for easy transport of the Automated Impella Controller

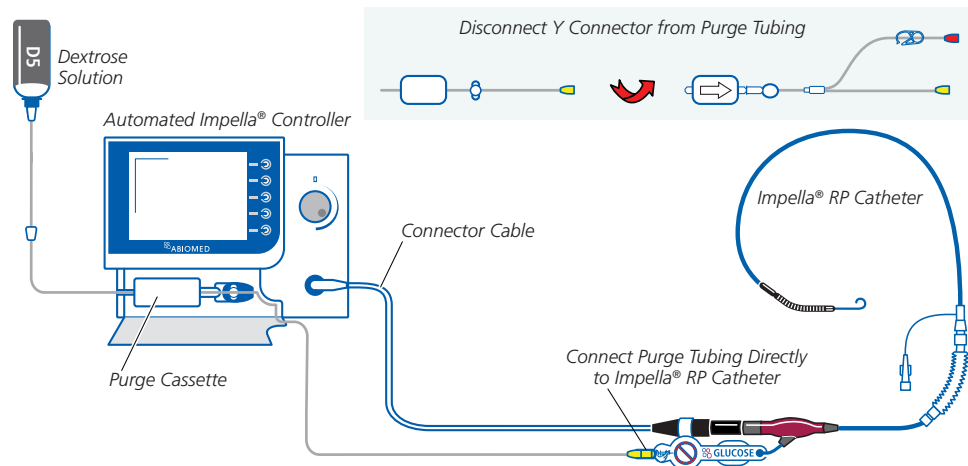
## SINGLE-USE SYSTEM COMPONENTS

The Impella RP System also includes the following single-use components:

- Impella RP Catheter
- Purge cassette
- Introducer kit
- 0.025 inch, 260cm placement guidewire
- Connector cable

## SYSTEM CONFIGURATION

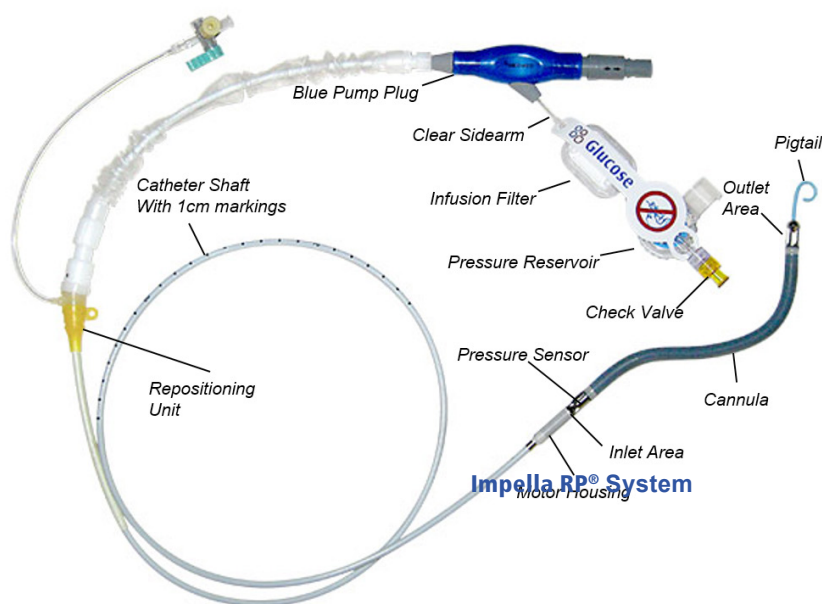
Figure 3.2 illustrates how the Automated Impella Controller connects to the Impella RP Catheter and accessory components.



**Figure 3.2** Automated Impella Controller, Impella RP Catheter, and Accessories

## IMPELLA RP CATHETER

The Impella RP Catheter is an intracardiac microaxial blood pump that delivers up to 4.0 liters of blood per minute from the inferior vena cava into the pulmonary artery. Figure 3.3 illustrates the Impella RP Catheter. The Impella RP Catheter has a specially designed three dimensional cannula that is sized to fit through the vessels and hearts of pediatric and adult patients with a Body Surface Area (BSA) equal to or greater than 1.5 m<sup>2</sup>. Table 3.1 describes each component from the pigtail at one end to the check valve on the other end.



**Figure 3.3** Impella RP Catheter

**Table 3.1** Impella RP Catheter Components

Component	Description
Pigtail	The 6 Fr pigtail is attached to the cannula at the distal end of the outlet area. It assists with stabilizing the catheter in the correct position in the pulmonary artery.
Outlet area	The outlet area, located at the distal tip of the cannula, has 5 openings (windows) that allow blood to exit the cannula.
Cannula	The 22 Fr cannula is designed for the anatomy of the right heart, to provide optimal and stable position during operation. The cannula is made of nitinol and covered in polyurethane with spiral shaped reinforcement integrated into the cannula.
Differential pressure sensor	A sensor that measures the pressure difference between the inside and outside of the cannula. The pressure value is used for monitoring flow during catheter operation.

**Table 3.1 Impella RP Catheter Components (continued)**

Component	Description
Inlet area	The proximal end of the cannula is attached to the inlet area where blood enters the cannula.
Motor housing	The 21 Fr motor housing consists of an encapsulated motor.
Catheter shaft	<p>An 11 Fr catheter shaft is located between the motor housing and the blue Impella plug. The lumen of the catheter shaft contains a purge lumen, an electrical cable, and a differential pressure measurement cable.</p> <p>The catheter shaft has transversal marks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The transversal marks at 1 cm intervals aid in proper positioning.</li> </ul>
Repositioning unit	<p>The repositioning unit consists of a sheath and an anticontamination sleeve with an anchoring ring.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The 11 Fr sheath (15 Fr outer diameter) with hemostatic valve is located on the catheter shaft and allows repositioning of the catheter.</li> <li>• The anchoring ring of the anticontamination sleeve secures the sheath to the catheter; turning in the counterclockwise direction enables movement of the catheter and turning in the clockwise direction disables movement.</li> </ul>
Blue Impella plug	The blue Impella plug has a clear sidearm and contains memory that retains operating parameters in case the patient needs to be transferred to another controller. The plug connects the Impella RP Catheter to the Automated Impella Controller through a connector cable.
Clear sidearm	The clear sidearm is attached to the purge cassette tubing. It leads to the infusion filter, the pressure reservoir, and the check valve.
Infusion filter	The infusion filter prevents bacterial contamination and prevents air from entering the purge lumen.
Pressure reservoir	The pressure reservoir includes a flexible rubber diaphragm that provides additional filling volume by means of an expansion chamber during purge solution change.
Check valve	The yellow check valve ensures that purge fluid does not flow in the reverse direction when the purge solution is exchanged.

## DIFFERENTIAL PRESSURE SENSOR

The Impella RP Catheter has an electronic differential pressure sensor located at the proximal end of the cannula. The purpose of the pressure sensor is to generate the placement signal used to calculate the flow generated by the Impella RP Catheter.

The pressure sensor is a flexible membrane integrated into the cannula. One side of the sensor is exposed to the blood pressure on the outside of the inlet area and the other side is exposed to the pressure of the blood inside of the cannula. The sensor generates an electrical signal proportional to the difference between the pressure outside the inlet area and the pressure inside the cannula. This signal is displayed on the Automated Impella Controller as the placement signal.

## AUTOMATED IMPELLA CONTROLLER

The Automated Impella Controller (see Figure 3.4) provides three vital functions to the operation of the Impella RP Catheter:

- The controller provides an interface for monitoring and controlling the function of the Impella RP Catheter
- The controller provides a fluid purge to the Impella RP Catheter
- The controller provides backup power when the Impella RP System is operated away from AC power

The controller weighs 26 lbs (11.8 kg) and can operate on its internal battery for at least 60 minutes when fully charged. Using the controller, the Impella RP System can be used by trained healthcare professionals in healthcare facilities and during medical transport (ie, ambulance, helicopter, or fixed-winged aircraft) environments.

Automated Impella Controller operation is described in detail in section 4 of this manual.

### Automated Impella Controller Battery Power

*The controller can operate on its internal lithium-ion (Li-Ion) battery for at least 60 minutes when fully charged.*



**Figure 3.4 Automated Impella Controller – Front View**

## PURGE CASSETTE

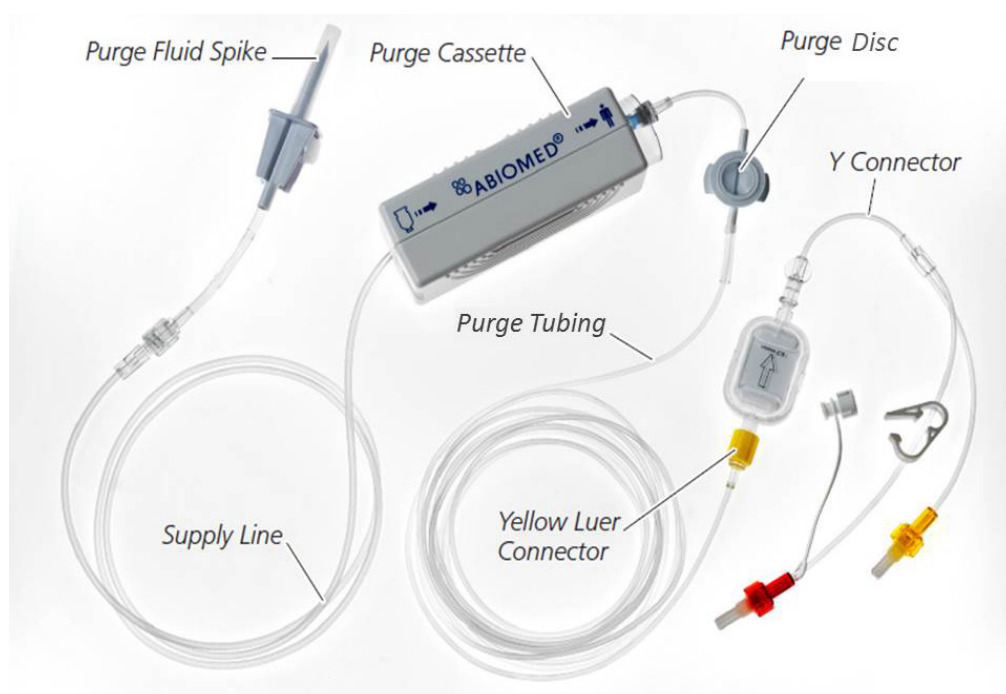


Do **NOT** use saline in the purge system.

The purge cassette delivers rinsing fluid to the Impella RP Catheter. The purge fluid (typically 5% dextrose solution) flows from the purge cassette through the catheter to the microaxial blood pump to prevent blood from entering the motor. When the purge cassette is properly installed in the Automated Impella Controller, the Abiomed logo is upright and facing you. Figure 3.5 illustrates the purge cassette and related components. Table 3.2 describes each component.

### **Discard the Y Connector**

Disconnect and discard the Y connector from the purge cassette tubing. For the Impella RP System, the yellow luer on the end of the purge tubing connects directly to the yellow luer on the Impella RP Catheter.



**Figure 3.5** Purge Cassette


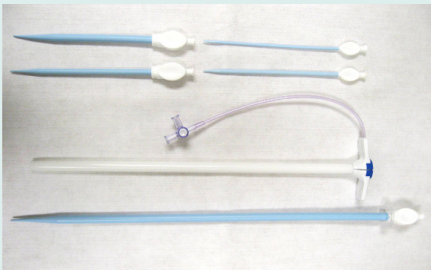
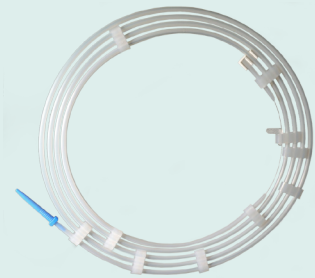
**Table 3.2 Purge Cassette Components**

Component	Description
Purge fluid spike	One end spikes the purge fluid bag and the other end connects the bag to the purge cassette supply line
Supply line	Carries fluid from the purge fluid bag to the purge cassette
Purge cassette	Contains the components for delivering the purge fluid; maintains the pressure barrier between the blood and the motor to prevent blood from entering the motor
Purge disc	Transmits pressure to the controller based on the purge pressure in the purge tubing; a sensor in the controller measures the pressure so that it can be displayed on the screen and used by the purge pressure algorithm to maintain the purge pressure
Purge tubing	Carries purge fluid from the purge cassette to the Impella RP Catheter
Yellow luer connector	Connects the purge tubing to the check valve (yellow luer lock) on the Impella RP Catheter
Y connector	Adapter that connects the purge cassette tubing to the Impella Catheter; used with the Impella 2.5™ Catheter but removed when you are using the Impella RP Catheter

# ACCESSORIES

Table 3.3 illustrates and describes the accessories used with the Impella RP Catheter and Automated Impella Controller.

**Table 3.3** *Impella RP Catheter and Automated Impella Controller Accessories*

Component	Description
	<p>The white connector cable connects the Impella RP Catheter to the Automated Impella Controller. Clips on the cable are used to secure the purge tubing to the cable.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The socket at the black end of the cable connects to the blue Impella plug.</li><li>• The white plug at the opposite end of the cable is inserted into the blue catheter plug on the front of the Automated Impella Controller.</li></ul>
	<p>The introducer kit is used to place the Impella RP Catheter. It contains:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 23 Fr peel-away introducer with dilator</li><li>• 8 Fr, 12 Fr, 16 Fr, and 20 Fr supplemental dilators</li><li>• 0.035 inch x 150 cm guidewire (not shown)</li></ul>
	<p>The 0.025 inch, 260 cm placement guidewire is used for the placement of the Impella RP Catheter.</p>

**Table 3.3 Impella RP Catheter and Automated Impella Controller Accessories (continued)**

Component	Description
	<p>Hospital Provided:</p> <p>Dextrose solution (typically 5% dextrose in water with 50 IU/mL of heparin) is used as the purge fluid through the Impella RP Catheter.</p>
<p><b>Figure 3.9 Dextrose Solution</b></p>	<p>The Automated Impella Controller cart holds the Automated Impella Controller. The cart has wheels for easy transport of the controller and a storage basket. (For more information, including assembly instructions, refer to the Automated Impella Controller cart instructions for use.)</p>
	
<p><b>Figure 3.10 Automated Impella Controller Cart</b></p>	



# 4 USING THE AUTOMATED IMPELLA® CONTROLLER



- OVERVIEW .....4.1
- AUTOMATED IMPELLA CONTROLLER FEATURES .....4.1
- AUTOMATED IMPELLA CONTROLLER DISPLAY ..... 4.5
- PLACEMENT SCREEN..... 4.8
  - Placement Signal Waveform.....4.8
  - Motor Current Waveform.....4.9
- PURGE SCREEN.....4.9
  - Purge Flow ..... 4.10
  - Purge Pressure..... 4.10
- INFUSION HISTORY .....4.10
- MOBILE OPERATION.....4.11

## OVERVIEW

The Automated Impella Controller is the primary user control interface for the Impella RP Catheter. It controls the Impella RP Catheter performance and monitors the catheter for alarms. The controller can be powered by AC power or can operate on internal battery power for at least 60 minutes when fully charged.

## AUTOMATED IMPELLA CONTROLLER FEATURES

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The underside of the Automated Impella Controller has a battery switch to turn on the batteries. This switch is turned off for shipping purposes. Before operating the Automated Impella Controller for the first time, make sure you turn this switch on. If the battery switch is not turned on, the Automated Impella Controller will not be able to operate on battery power.

### Selector Knob Function

**Rotate** the selector knob on the controller to navigate through menu items.

**Push** the selector knob to confirm your selection.

Figure 4.1 illustrates the features on the front of the Automated Impella Controller. These features are described in Table 4.1.

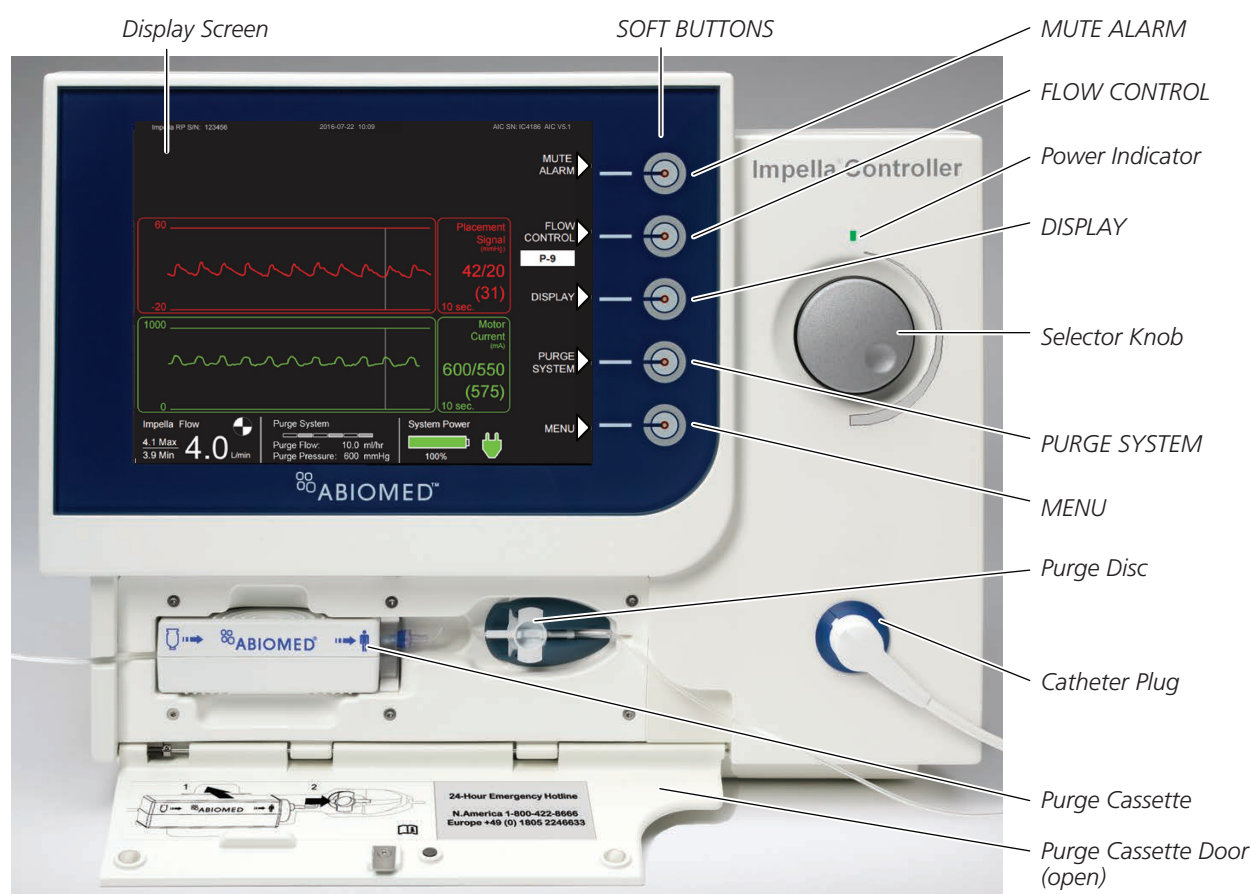


Figure 4.1 Automated Impella Controller Features – Front View

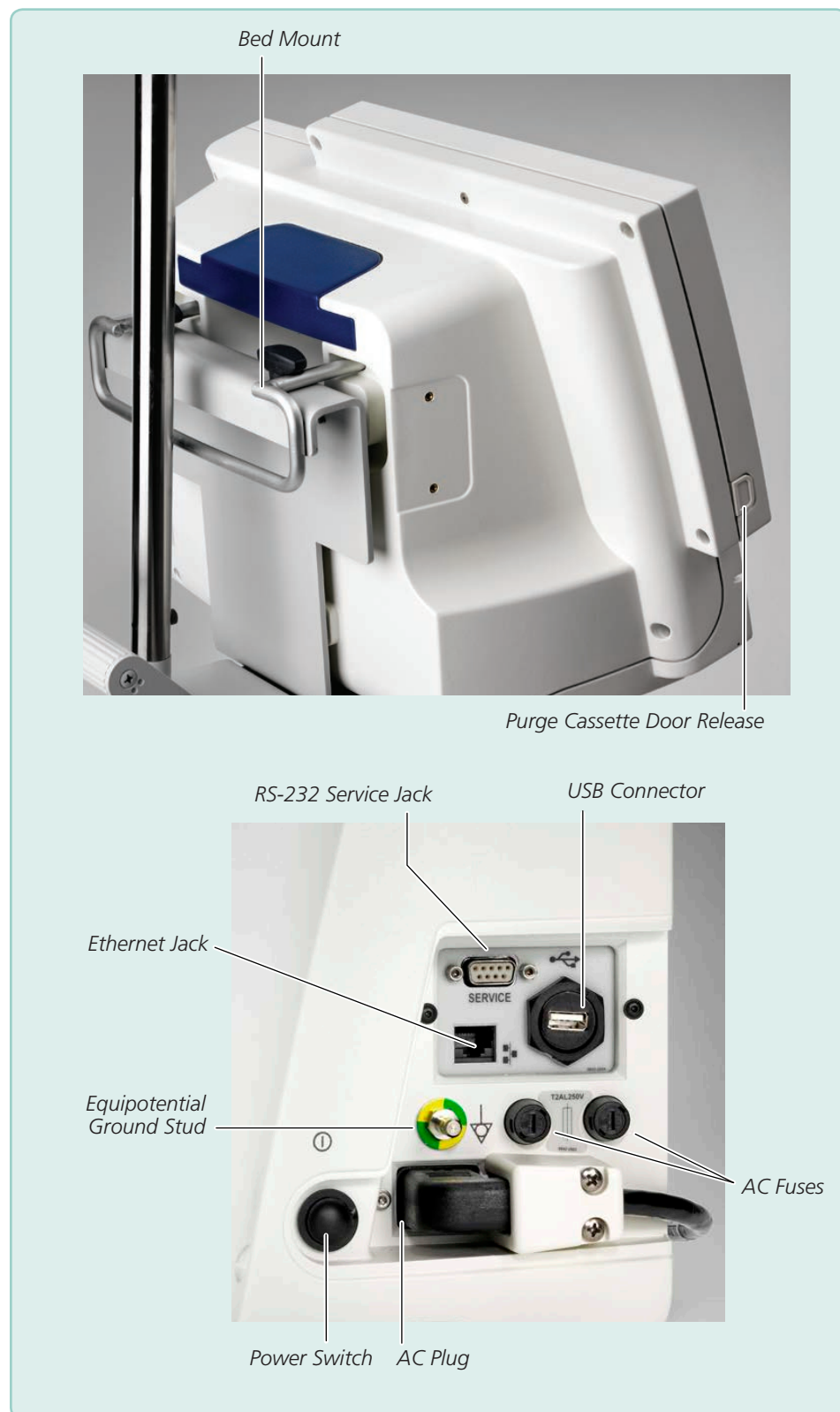
### Display Options

*If equipped with a VGA connector, the controller can be connected to a monitor to display information on another screen as described under “Slave Monitor Connection” in section 8 of this manual.*

**Table 4.1 Automated Impella Controller Front View Features**

Feature	Description
Display screen	Displays user information, including the labels for the soft buttons. (Display screen elements described in detail later in this section.)
Soft buttons	<p>Display, open, and close menus. The function for each soft button is defined by labels adjacent to the button on the display screen; function changes depending on the screen. (Soft button functions are described in Table 4.3.)</p> <p>When the Impella RP Catheter is running, the default soft button labels are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>MUTE ALARM</b></li><li>• <b>FLOW CONTROL</b></li><li>• <b>DISPLAY</b></li><li>• <b>PURGE SYSTEM</b></li><li>• <b>MENU</b></li></ul>
Power indicator	<p>LED light above the selector knob; indicates the power status of the Automated Impella Controller.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Green light—controller is on and plugged into AC power or running on battery power</li><li>• Amber light—controller is off but plugged into AC power</li><li>• No light—controller is off and not plugged into AC power</li></ul>
Selector knob	Rotating push button; turn clockwise and counterclockwise to navigate through menu items; push to make a selection.
Purge Disc	A flexible diaphragm on the purge cassette tubing that applies pressure to the sensor in the controller so that purge pressure can be measured.
Catheter plug	Connection point on the controller for the connector cable that connects to the Impella RP Catheter.
Purge cassette	Contains the components for delivering the purge fluid; maintains the pressure barrier between the blood and the motor to prevent blood from entering the motor. (The purge cassette and its components are described in section 3 of this manual.)
Purge cassette door	Spring-loaded door that opens to provide access to the purge cassette.

Figure 4.2 illustrates the features on the left and right sides of the Automated Impella Controller. These features are described in Table 4.2.



**Figure 4.2** Automated Impella Controller Features – Side Views

**Table 4.2 Automated Impella Controller Side View Features**

Feature	Description
<b>Bed mount</b>	Metal bracket on the back of the controller; attaches controller to the cart or bed
<b>Purge cassette door release</b>	Button located on the left side of the controller; press to open the purge cassette door
<b>VGA/RS-232 jack</b>	Interface for data transfer by Abiomed maintenance or service personnel; if equipped, this interface can also be used for connecting the controller to another monitor to slave the display
<b>USB connector</b>	Connection for data downloading by Abiomed maintenance or service personnel
<b>AC fuses</b>	Electrical safety device in the event of current overload
<b>AC plug</b>	Connection point on the controller for the AC power cord
<b>Power switch</b>	<p>Button that turns the controller on or off</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ON: Press and hold the power switch for 3 seconds</li> <li>• OFF: (1) Disconnect the Impella RP Catheter from the Automated Impella Controller (2) Press and hold the power switch for 3 seconds (3) A pop-up confirmation box will appear (4) Press <b>OK</b> using the selector knob to confirm that the controller should be turned off</li> </ul> <p>NOTE: Holding down the power switch for longer than 30 seconds during operation will cause the controller to initiate an emergency shutdown</p>
<b>Equipotential ground stud</b>	Used to ground the Automated Impella Controller according to hospital procedures
<b>Ethernet jack</b>	Connection for downloading data or software upgrades

## AUTOMATED IMPELLA CONTROLLER DISPLAY

The Automated Impella Controller screens have several common display elements. Each element is shown in Figure 4.3 and described in Table 4.3.

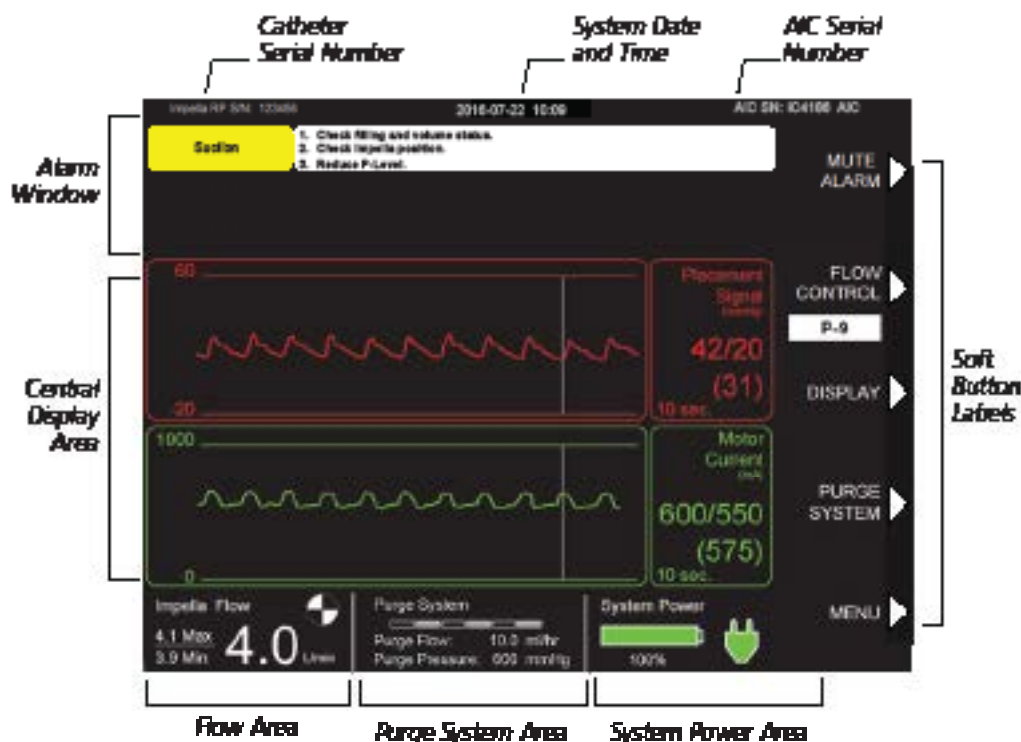


Figure 4.3 Automated Impella Controller Display Elements

Table 4.3 Automated Impella Controller Display Elements

Display Element	Description
Alarm window	<p>The alarm window displays up to 3 alarms simultaneously, in order of priority from top to bottom.</p> <p>For each alarm, the alarm window displays:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alarm header – displayed in the left column; window is color-coded red for critical alarms, yellow for serious alarms, white for advisory notifications, gray for resolved alarms</li> <li>Alarm subhead (if applicable) – further describes the alarm condition</li> <li>Detailed text – up to 3 lines of instructions for resolving the alarm condition are displayed in the right column of the alarm window next to the alarm header and subhead information</li> </ul> <p>(See section 7 of this manual for further discussion of alarms.)</p>
Catheter serial number	Displayed in the upper left of the display screen if a catheter is connected to the controller.
System date and time	The current date (YYYY-MM-DD) and time (24-hour format; HH:MM) are displayed in the upper center of the screen display. (In this example it is July 22, 2016 at 10:09am.)

### Purge System Stabilization

The purge system must stabilize after case start, a purge procedure, or resolution of a purge alarm. During this time, it may take up to 3 minutes for purge system information to display on the screen.

**Table 4.3 Automated Impella Controller Display Elements (continued)**

Display Element	Description
Mute alarm indicator	<p>Displayed in place of the words “MUTE ALARM” when an alarm is silenced. (See section 7 of this manual for more information about the mute alarm function; Figure 6.1 illustrates the mute alarm indicator.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yellow bell with red X displayed when an alarm is muted</li> <li>• Not displayed when an alarm is active (but not muted) or when there are no active alarms</li> </ul>
Soft button labels	<p>The soft buttons on the Automated Impella Controller have corresponding labels adjacent to them on the display screen. These labels change depending on the type of screen displayed. (Refer to Appendix A in this manual for more details about the menu structure.)</p> <p><b>MUTE ALARM</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mutes (silences) active alarms</li> </ul> <p><b>FLOW CONTROL (or NEXT)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>FLOW CONTROL</b> – Allows you to set the performance level for the Impella RP Catheter</li> <li>• <b>NEXT</b> – Advances to the next screen</li> </ul> <p><b>DISPLAY (or BACK)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>DISPLAY</b> – Brings up the Display menu for viewing waveforms and navigating to other screen displays</li> <li>• <b>BACK</b> – Returns to the previous screen</li> </ul> <p><b>PURGE SYSTEM (or EXIT)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>PURGE SYSTEM</b> – Brings up the Purge System menu for changing the purge fluid, purge cassette, or purge system, or de-airing the purge system</li> <li>• <b>EXIT</b> – Exits the current procedure</li> </ul> <p><b>MENU (or CANCEL)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>MENU</b> – Brings up a menu of options related to controller settings, alarm history, offset adjustment, and starting a case</li> <li>• <b>CANCEL</b> – Exits out of current menu</li> </ul>
System power area	<p>System power information is displayed to the right of the purge system information on the bottom of the display screen.</p> <p>Battery status – Bar within battery symbol indicates the overall remaining capacity of the batteries</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Full green bar for fully charged battery</li> <li>• Partial green bar for battery that is at least 50% charged</li> <li>• Partial yellow bar for battery that is between 16% and 50% charged</li> <li>• Partial red bar for battery that is less than or equal to 15% charged</li> <li>• Moving gray bar for battery that is in charging mode</li> <li>• Numeric percentage of battery power remaining displayed below the battery icon</li> </ul> <p>AC plug indicator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Green plug indicates that the controller is running on AC power</li> <li>• Gray plug with a red X indicates no AC power detected and the controller is running on battery power</li> </ul>

**Table 4.3 Automated Impella Controller Display Elements (continued)**

Display Element	Description
Purge system area	<p>Information about the purge system is displayed to the right of the flow area at the bottom of the display screen.</p> <p>Purge system marquee—scrolls from left to right when purge system is operating</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Slow scrolling represents normal purge flow rate</li> <li>• Fast scrolling represents bolus flow rate</li> </ul> <p>Purge flow</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Current purge flow displayed in mL/hr below the purge system marquee if the purge flow is known</li> <li>• Not displayed when the purge system is stabilizing, when there is no purge cassette, or when the procedure has not yet started</li> </ul>
Flow area	<p>Information about Impella RP Catheter flow is displayed in the lower left corner of the display screen.</p> <p>Max/Min</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max/Min displays the range for the flow rate</li> </ul> <p>Current flow rate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mean catheter flow displayed in liters per minute (L/min)</li> <li>• If the system is unable to calculate flow, a yellow triangular caution icon is displayed with the message “Flow Calculation Disabled”</li> </ul> <p>Catheter operation icon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The circular catheter operation icon rotates when the Impella RP Catheter is running</li> </ul>
Central display area	<p>On the placement screen, the central display area displays two waveform signals, described in the “Placement Screen” discussion below.</p>



## PLACEMENT SCREEN

The placement screen (see Figure 4.4) displays real-time operating data for the system. The screen displays the placement signal and motor current waveforms as well as the maximum/minimum and average values for each waveform in the central display area of the screen.

Use the **DISPLAY** soft button to navigate to the placement screen.



Figure 4.4 Placement Screen

Figure 4.4 shows two time-based waveform signals from different sources.

- Placement signal waveform
- Motor current waveform

### PLACEMENT SIGNAL WAVEFORM

The placement signal waveform displays a pressure measurement from the differential pressure sensor. The scale for the placement signal waveform is displayed to the left of the waveform. The default scaling is -20 to 60 mmHg. The scale can be adjusted in increments of 10 mmHg for a maximum range of -60 to 100 mmHg or a minimum range of 0 to 40 mmHg.

To the right of the waveform is a display that labels the waveform, provides the units of measurement, and shows the maximum and minimum values and the average value from the samples received. At the bottom of that window is the time scale, which you can set by pressing the **DISPLAY** soft button.

## MOTOR CURRENT WAVEFORM

Motor current is a measure of the energy intake of the Impella RP Catheter motor. The energy intake varies with motor speed and the pressure difference between the inlet and outlet areas of the cannula.

The scale for the motor current waveform is displayed to the left of the waveform. The default scaling is 0–1000 mA. It is adjustable in 100 mA increments for the Impella RP Catheter, with a minimum difference between upper and lower limits of 200 mA and a maximum difference of 1000 mA.

To the right of the waveform is a display that labels the waveform, provides the units of measurement, and shows the maximum and minimum values and the average value from the samples received. You can set the time scale at the bottom of that window by pressing the **DISPLAY** soft button.

## PURGE SCREEN

The purge screen (see Figure 4.5) displays purge system data. In the central display area of the screen, the purge flow rate and purge pressure are plotted as a function of time. To the right of the plots, the current purge flow rate and purge pressure are displayed.

Use the **DISPLAY** soft button to navigate to the purge screen.



Figure 4.5 Purge Screen

## PURGE FLOW

The purge flow rate delivered by the purge cassette is displayed in mL/hr. The standard scale for the purge flow (0–30 mL/hr) is displayed to the left of the purge flow plot. The maximum value on this scale can be adjusted from 20 mL/hr to 200 mL/hr in increments of 10 mL/hr.

To the right of the plot is a display that labels the plot and shows the most recent value update. You can set the time scale at the bottom of the window by pressing the **DISPLAY** soft button.

An Advisory Alarm can also be turned on via the **SETTINGS** menu.

## PURGE PRESSURE

The purge pressure generated by the purge cassette is displayed in mmHg. The standard scale for the purge pressure (0–1500 mmHg) is displayed to the left of the purge pressure plot. The maximum value on this scale can be adjusted from 100 mmHg to 2000 mmHg in increments of 100 mmHg.

To the right of the plot is a display that labels the plot and shows the most recent value update. You can set the time scale at the bottom of the window by pressing the **DISPLAY** soft button.

---

## INFUSION HISTORY

The infusion history screen displays the infusion volume as well as the amount of heparin and dextrose infused each hour. The current time period is displayed at the top of the list. The calculations begin when the case start procedure is completed and Impella RP Catheter flow rate is greater than 0 L/min. The infusion history screen updates after each milliliter of purge fluid is delivered and after each unit of heparin and dextrose is delivered.

Use the **DISPLAY** soft button to navigate to the infusion history screen.

Figure 4.6 shows a sample infusion history screen.



Figure 4.6 Infusion History Screen

## MOBILE OPERATION



The Li-Ion batteries must be charged for 5 hours prior to system operation in order to meet the runtime requirement of 1 hour. Failure to do so will yield a shorter runtime. After being unplugged, the Automated Impella Controller will operate for at least 60 minutes after the batteries have been fully charged.

The Automated Impella Controller can be operated on internal battery power when it is not connected to AC power.

Disconnect the Automated Impella Controller from AC power.

The Automated Impella Controller beeps once every 5 minutes to alert you that it is running on battery power and a white advisory notification appears in the alarm area on the screen. The AC power icon turns gray with an X through it.

When the Automated Impella Controller is connected back to AC power, the white advisory notification turns gray and the AC power icon turns green.

## 5 USING THE AUTOMATED IMPELLA CONTROLLER WITH THE IMPELLA RP CATHETER



<b>STARTUP .....</b>	<b>5.1</b>
Supplies Needed.....	5.1
Turning on the Automated Impella Controller.....	5.2
The Startup Screen .....	5.3
<b>CASE START .....</b>	<b>5.4</b>
Case Start.....	5.4
Insert Purge Cassette.....	5.5
Connect the Connector Cable .....	5.6
Secure the Purge Tubing .....	5.9
Impella RP System Configuration .....	5.9
<b>INSERTING THE IMPELLA RP CATHETER .....</b>	<b>5.10</b>
<b>POSITIONING AND STARTING THE IMPELLA RP CATHETER .....</b>	<b>5.11</b>
<b>USE OF THE REPOSITIONING SHEATH AND THE</b>	
<b>23 FR PEEL-AWAY INTRODUCER .....</b>	<b>5.12</b>
<b>P-LEVELS .....</b>	<b>5.13</b>
<b>SUCTION .....</b>	<b>5.14</b>
<b>PURGE CASSETTE PROCEDURES .....</b>	<b>5.14</b>
Change Purge System .....	5.15
Change Purge Fluid .....	5.16
Change Purge Cassette .....	5.17
De-Air Purge System.....	5.17
<b>TROUBLESHOOTING THE PURGE SYSTEM.....</b>	<b>5.17</b>
Low Purge Pressure .....	5.17
Purge System Open .....	5.18
High Purge Pressure .....	5.19
Purge System Blocked.....	5.19
<b>PATIENT WEANING.....</b>	<b>5.20</b>
<b>REMOVING THE IMPELLA RP CATHETER.....</b>	<b>5.20</b>

## STARTUP



Do **NOT** use an Impella RP System if any part of the system is damaged.



The sterile components of the Impella RP System can be used only if the sterilization indicators show that the contents have been sterilized, the packaging is not damaged, and the expiration date has not elapsed.



Do **NOT** resterilize or reuse the Impella RP Catheter. It is a disposable device and is intended for single use only. Reuse, reprocessing, or resterilization may compromise the structural integrity of the catheter and/or lead to catheter failure which, in turn, may result in patient injury, illness, or death.



To prevent malfunction of the Automated Impella Controller, avoid long-term exposure to direct sunlight and excessive heat (40°C).



To prevent overheating and improper operation, do **NOT** block the cooling vents of the Automated Impella Controller while it is operating.



The Li-Ion batteries must be charged for 5 hours prior to system operation in order to meet the runtime requirement of 1 hour. Failure to do so will yield a shorter runtime. After being unplugged, the Automated Impella Controller will operate for at least 60 minutes after the batteries have been fully charged.



Have a backup Automated Impella Controller, purge cassette, connector cable, and Impella RP Catheter available in the unlikely event of a device failure.

## SUPPLIES NEEDED

- Automated Impella Controller
- Impella RP Catheter and accessories
- Femoral length, balloon-tipped flow-directed catheter
- 500 cc bag of dextrose solution for purge solution (5% recommended; 5% to 40% acceptable) with 50 IU heparin/mL

## TURNING ON THE AUTOMATED IMPELLA CONTROLLER

### Battery Switch

*Before operating the Automated Impella Controller for the first time, turn on the switch on the underside of the controller to turn on the batteries.*

To turn the controller on:

1. Press and hold the power switch on the right side of the Automated Impella Controller for 3 seconds (see Figure 5.1).



**Figure 5.1 Automated Impella Controller Power Switch**

The Automated Impella Controller automatically performs a system test when turned on.

A display bar shows the progress of the system test. If the system test passes, the system displays the startup screen (see Figure 5.2).

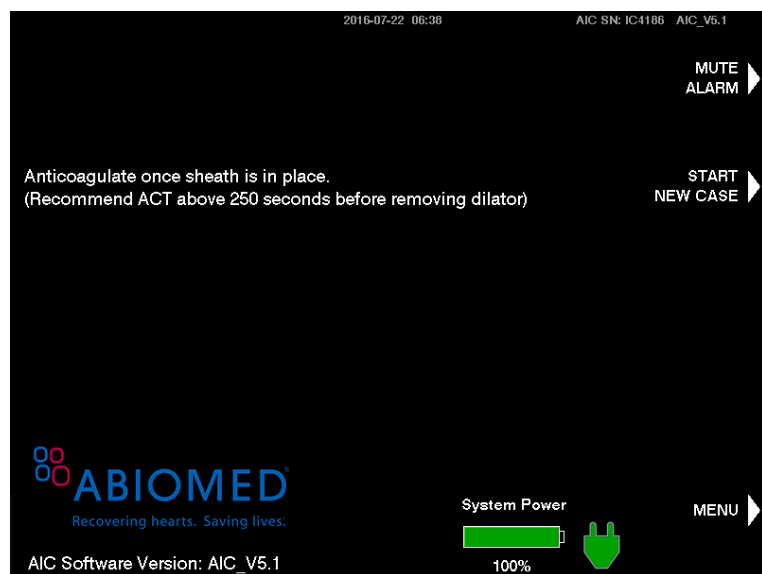
If the system test fails, the controller displays a system self check failure message:

SYSTEM SELF CHECK FAILED.  
CHANGE CONSOLE IMMEDIATELY.

The controller displays the reason for the system test failure at the bottom of the screen.

## THE STARTUP SCREEN

The startup screen (see Figure 5.2) appears when you successfully turn on the Automated Impella Controller.



**Figure 5.2** Automated Impella Controller Startup Screen

The startup screen displays the current version of the software that the Automated Impella Controller is running:

The startup screen also displays system power information along the bottom of the screen and three active soft buttons—**MUTE ALARM**, **START NEW CASE**, and **MENU**—along the right side of the screen.

### Check Date and Time

*The current date and time appear at the top of the startup screen. Confirm that these are correct.*



## CASE START

### Sensitive Medical Device

*The Impella RP Catheter is a sensitive medical device with extremely fine tolerances. In particular, the inlet and outlet areas of the catheter assembly may be damaged if subjected to strong external forces.*



Fluoroscopy is required to guide placement of the Impella RP Catheter. The small placement guidewire must be reliably observed at all times.



The sterile components of the Impella RP System can be used only if the sterilization indicators show that the contents have been sterilized, the packaging is not damaged, and the expiration date has not elapsed.



Avoid manual compression of the inlet, outlet, or sensor areas of the cannula assembly.



Do **NOT** remove the Impella RP Catheter over the length of the placement guidewire.



Handle with care. The Impella RP Catheter can be damaged during removal from packaging, preparation, insertion, and removal. Do **NOT** bend, pull, or place excess pressure on the catheter or mechanical components at any time.



Do **NOT** kink or clamp any part of the Impella RP Catheter.

## CASE START

1. Press the **START NEW CASE** soft button from the startup screen or plug in a new Impella Catheter. "Case Start" can also be selected by pressing the MENU soft key.
2. The controller displays the screen shown in Figure 5.3.

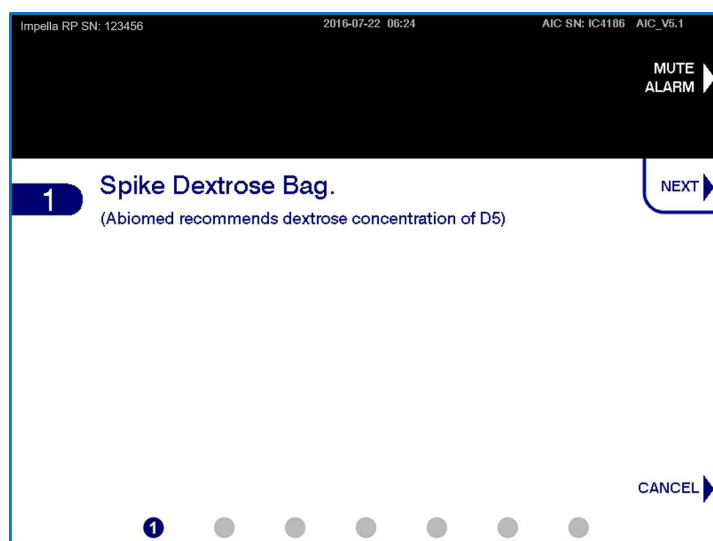


Figure 5.3 Initial Case Start Screen

## INSERT PURGE CASSETTE

1. Open the purge cassette package. Disconnect and discard the Y connector. Secure the YELLOW luer to the sterile field.
2. Pass the purge cassette and spike off the sterile field.
3. Spike the fluid bag/bottle.
4. Press the **NEXT** soft button.
5. Open the purge cassette door by pressing the release on the left side of the controller. Insert the purge cassette into the Automated Impella Controller (as shown in Figure 5.4 and described in the steps that follow).

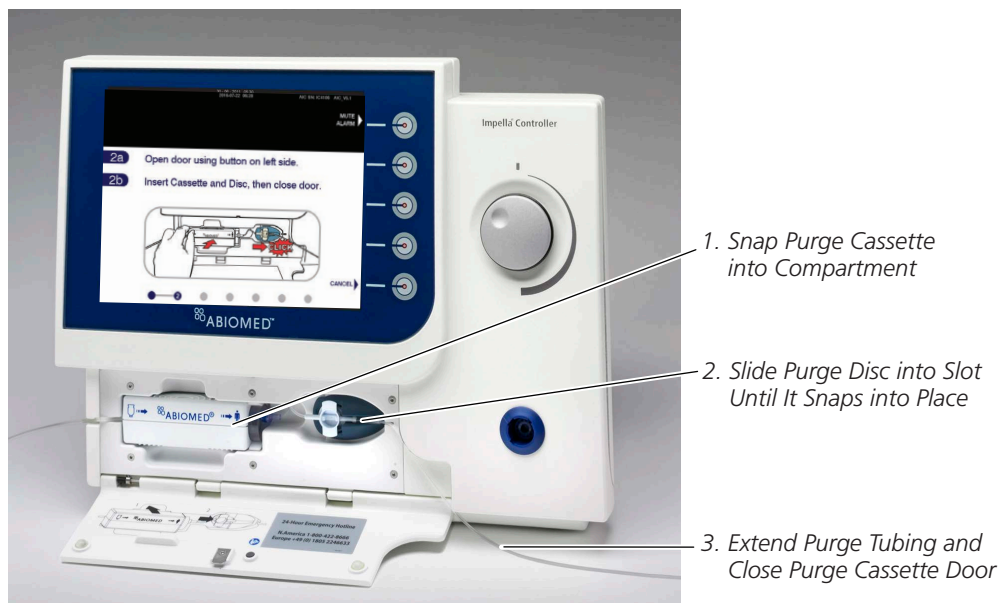


Figure 5.4 Inserting the Purge Cassette into the Automated Impella Controller

6. The purge cassette snaps into a molded compartment on the front of the controller. Follow the diagram on the inside of the purge cassette door for proper placement.
7. Slide the purge disc into the slot to the right of the purge cassette until it snaps into place. The controller will automatically begin priming the purge cassette.
8. Extend the purge tubing and close the purge cassette door. There is sufficient room around the edges of the purge cassette door so that it will not pinch the purge tubing as it exits.

### Shaded Steps

*All shaded steps require sterile technique.*

### Discard the Y Connector

*After opening the purge cassette package, disconnect and discard the Y connector. The Y connector is only used with the Impella 2.5™ Catheter.*

### Purge Solution Bottles

*If the purge solution is supplied in bottles, open the vent on the purge fluid spike and follow the same procedure as if supplied in bags.*

### Close Purge Cassette Door

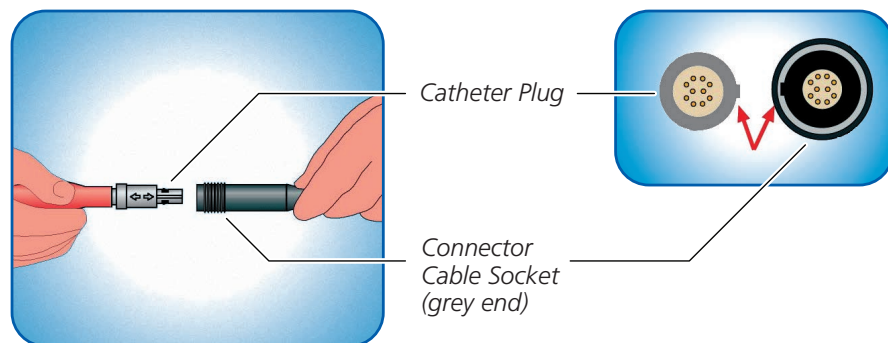
*Once the purge cassette is installed, be sure to close the purge cassette door to prevent the purge cassette from being dislodged accidentally.*

### Connect Purge Disc Within 3 Seconds

*The instructions for inserting the purge disc appear if it is not snapped into place within 3 seconds of inserting the purge cassette.*

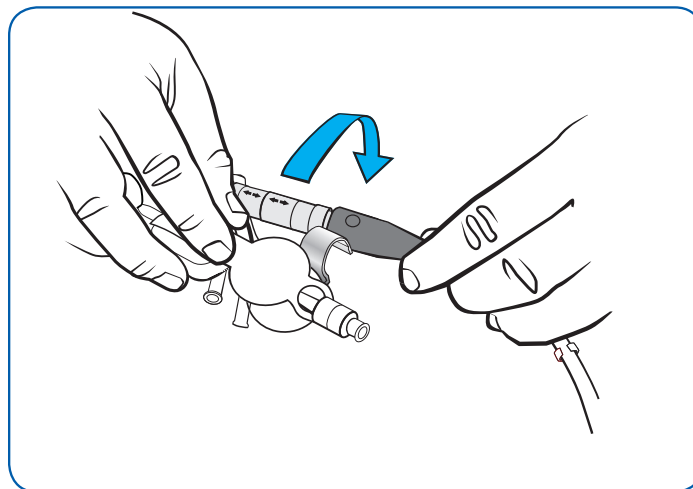
## CONNECT THE CONNECTOR CABLE

1. Remove the Impella RP Catheter from its package using sterile technique and inspect the catheter, including its connector, for damage.
2. Remove the white connector cable from its package using sterile technique.
3. Inspect the cable for damage, including damage to the connector pins at the controller end.
4. Secure the grey end of the cable to the sterile field.
5. Insert the catheter plug into the connector cable socket (grey end). The tab and the slot must be aligned during connection (see Figure 5.5).



**Figure 5.5** Inserting the Catheter Plug into the Connector Cable

6. Pull back on the connection to make sure that the plug has snapped into place.
7. Snap the plastic clip (located on the pressure reservoir of the clear sidearm) to the connector cable as shown in Figure 5.6.



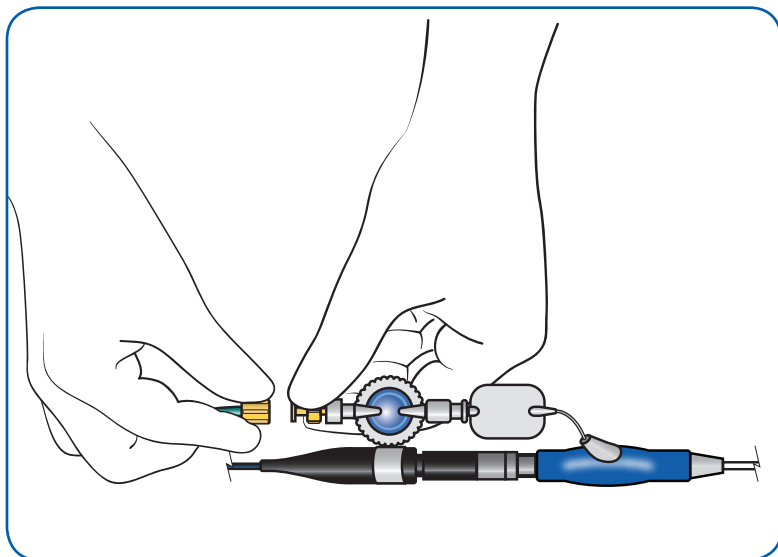
**Figure 5.6** Snapping Purge Clip to Connector Cable

### Important Step

*Snapping the purge clip on the pressure reservoir to the connector cable is important to prevent the tube from kinking.*

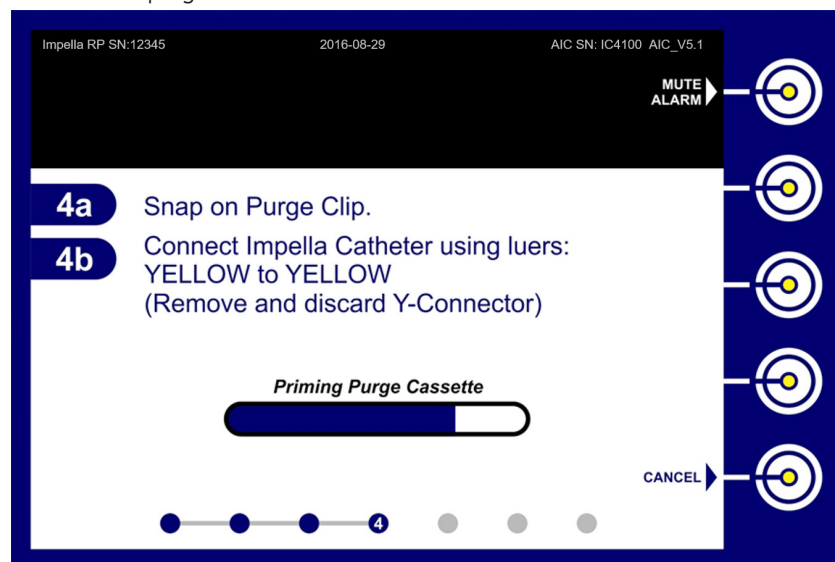
8. Pass the sterile connector cable from the Impella RP Catheter off the sterile field.
9. Line up the notch on the connector cable with the notch in the blue catheter plug on the front of the Automated Impella Controller and plug the cable into the controller.

10. If you have not already done so, disconnect and discard the Y connector with the red and yellow luers from the purge tubing.
11. Connect the yellow luer on the end of the purge tubing to the yellow luer on the clear sidearm of the Impella RP Catheter as shown in Figure 5.7.



**Figure 5.7** Connecting the Luer to the Impella RP Catheter

12. When the controller detects that the luer is connected, it automatically begins priming the purge lumen.



**Figure 5.8** Priming the Purge

## ENTER PURGE FLUID DATA

1. Enter the purge fluid information. The screen in Figure 5.9 shows a table of default values for the purge fluid.

Impella RP S/N: 123456 2016-07-22 07:17 A/C S/N: IC4186 A/C\_V5.1

MUTE ALARM

**6** Confirm Purge Fluid information.

ACCEPT

Purge Fluid Volume	500 ml
Dextrose Concentration	5 %
Heparin Concentration	0 units/ml

EDIT

CANCEL

Progress indicator: 6 steps, step 6 highlighted.

**Figure 5.9** Entering Purge Fluid Information

2. To select the default values displayed on the screen, press the **ACCEPT** soft button. This will select those values and automatically advance to the next screen. Note: The Automated Impella Controller will remember the purge fluid value entered on the previous Case Start.
3. To change the purge fluid information, press the **EDIT** soft button, scroll to the appropriate item and push the selector knob to select it or use the white soft arrow buttons. Then scroll through the values and push the selector knob to make a new selection. Press the **DONE** button to finish editing. The controller will use the default values if no other selections are made.
  - Purge fluid can be set to 50 mL, 100 mL, 250 mL, 500 mL (default), or 1000 mL.
  - Dextrose concentration can be set to 5% (default), 10%, 20%, 30%, or 40%.
  - Heparin concentration can be set to 0 (default), 5, 10, 12.5, 15, 20, 25, or 50 units/mL (default).

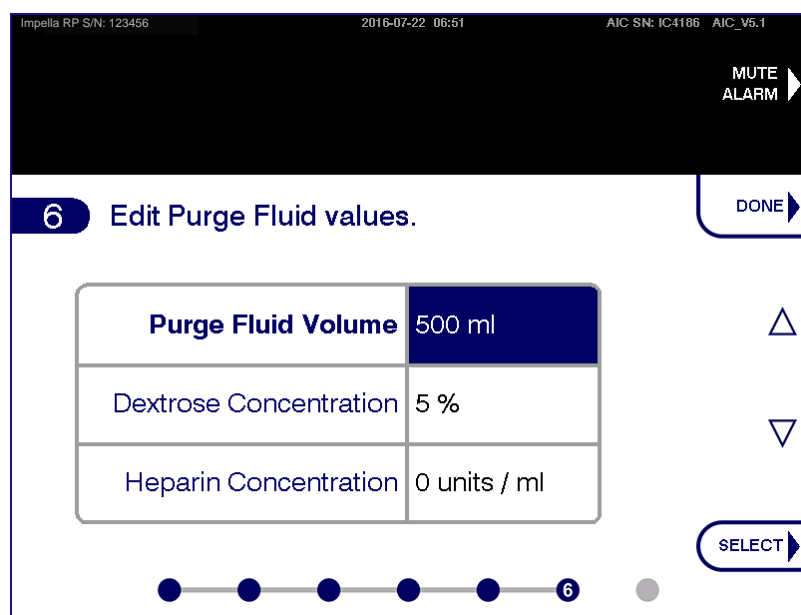


Figure 5.10 Changing Purge Fluid Information

## SECURE THE PURGE TUBING

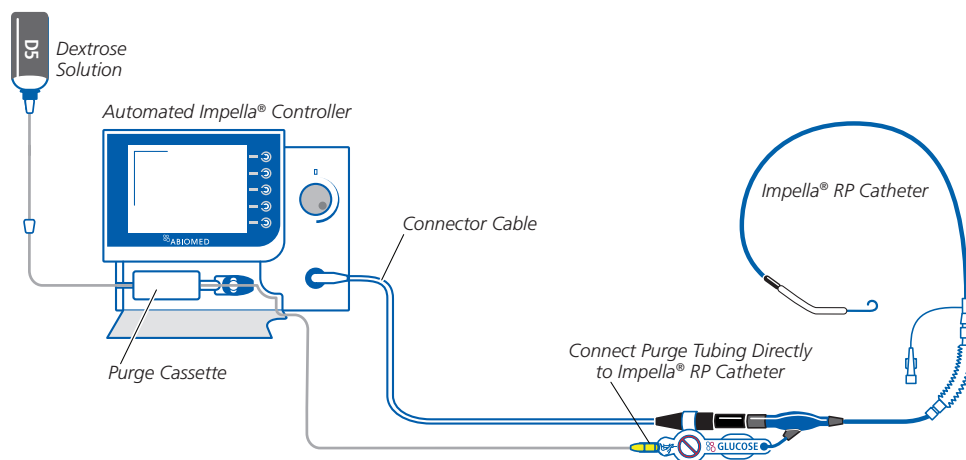
1. To complete the setup, connect the purge tubing to the white connector cable by pushing the purge tubing into the clips attached to the white connector cable as shown in Figure 5.11.



Figure 5.11 Connecting the Purge Tubing to the Connector Cable

## IMPELLA RP SYSTEM CONFIGURATION

Figure 5.12 illustrates the correct configuration of the Impella RP System.



**Figure 5.12** Impella RP System Configuration

## INSERTING THE IMPELLA RP CATHETER

**NOTE** – Proper surgical procedures and techniques are the responsibility of the medical professional. The described procedure is furnished for information purposes only. Each physician must evaluate the appropriateness of the procedure based on his or her medical training and experience, the type of procedure, and the type of systems used.



Fluoroscopy is required to guide placement of the Impella RP Catheter. The small placement guidewire must be reliably observed at all times.



Avoid manual compression of the inlet, outlet, or sensor areas of the cannula assembly.



Do **NOT** kink or clamp any part of the Impella RP Catheter.



Handle with care. The Impella RP Catheter can be damaged during removal from packaging, preparation, insertion, and removal. Do **NOT** bend, pull, or place excess pressure on the catheter or mechanical components at any time.

1. Confirm purge fluid is exiting the Impella Catheter.
2. Obtain access to the femoral vein.
3. Insert a 5–8 Fr introducer over the 0.035 inch guidewire (provided) to pre-dilate the vessel.
4. Remove the 5–8 Fr introducer over the 0.035 inch guidewire. Insert the 8 Fr, 12 Fr, 16 Fr, and 20 Fr dilators sequentially, as needed. Remove the 20 Fr dilator and insert the 23 Fr introducer with dilator. While inserting the 23 Fr introducer, hold the shaft of the introducer to advance it into the vein.
5. Administer heparin. When ACT is at least 250 seconds, remove the 23 Fr dilator.
6. Insert a flow-directed balloon-tipped catheter into the 23 Fr introducer and advance it over a guidewire into the left (preferred) or right pulmonary artery, if needed.
7. Remove the 0.035 inch diagnostic guidewire, leaving the diagnostic or balloon-tipped catheter in the pulmonary artery. Form a curve or bend on the 0.025 inch, 260 cm placement guidewire and then insert it.
8. Advance the placement guidewire deep into the LPA until wire prolapses.
9. Remove the diagnostic or balloon-tipped catheter.
10. Wet the cannula with sterile water and backload the catheter onto the placement guidewire. One or two people can load the catheter on the guidewire.
  - a. Advance the guidewire into the Impella RP Catheter and stabilize the cannula between the fingers. The scrub assistant can help stabilize the catheter by holding the catheter proximal to the motor. The physician can focus on advancing the guidewire and, if the cannula needs to be hyperextended, the scrub assistant is available to assist.
11. Advance the catheter through the hemostatic valve into the femoral vein and along the placement guidewire using a fixed-wire technique. Follow the catheter under fluoroscopy, and rotate the catheter as it enters the right ventricle to direct the cannula tip upward and across the pulmonary valve. Position the outlet area of the cannula approximately 4 cm past the pulmonary valve annulus. NOTE: While the entire pump is in the abdominal IVC, calibrate the sensor by pressing the Start Manual Zero soft button.
12. Remove the placement guidewire.
13. Confirm position with fluoroscopy.

### Shaded Steps

*All shaded steps require sterile technique.*

### Use Fluoroscopy for Placement

*Impella RP Catheter performance will be compromised if correct placement cannot be confirmed. While other imaging techniques, such as transesophageal echocardiography (TEE), can help confirm the position of the Impella RP Catheter after placement, TEE does not allow visualization of the entire catheter assembly and is inadequate for reliably placing the Impella RP Catheter.*



## POSITIONING AND STARTING THE IMPELLA RP CATHETER



Retrograde flow will occur from the pulmonary artery back into the inferior vena cava if the Impella RP Catheter is set at performance level P-0.

When the Impella RP is properly positioned across the pulmonary valve, but is not yet running, the placement signal will be similar to a pulmonary arterial waveform. After starting the Impella RP, the amplitude of the placement signal will increase by a factor of 2 to 2.5, depending on the selected performance level.

1. Press the **START IMPELLA** soft button.
2. Turn the selector knob to increase P-level from P-0 to P-2.
3. Press the selector knob to select the new performance level.
4. The catheter operation icon in the lower left corner of the screen begins rotating when the Impella RP Catheter begins to operate.
5. Increase P-level to P-9 to confirm correct and stable placement. Evaluate the catheter position and remove any excess slack. The catheter inlet area should be in the inferior vena cava and the outlet area in the pulmonary artery. Verify placement with fluoroscopy.

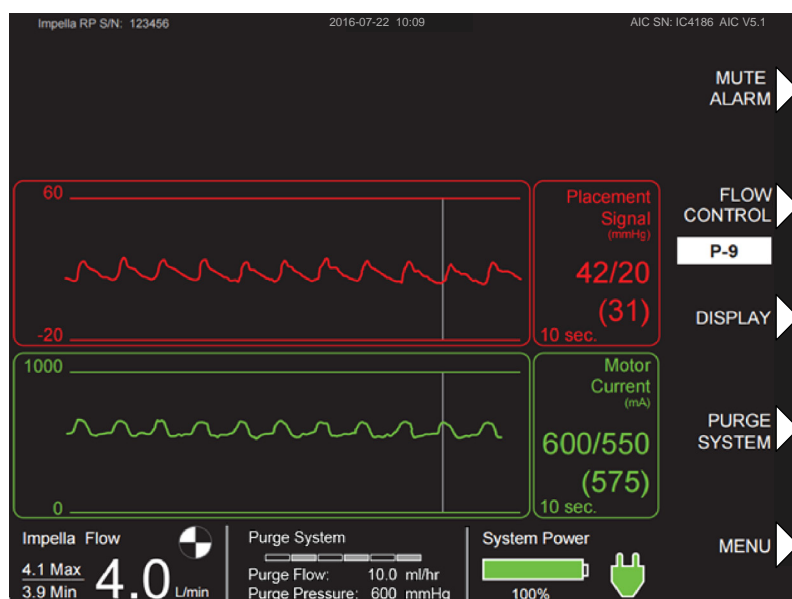


Figure 5.13 Maximum Performance Level

## USE OF THE REPOSITIONING SHEATH AND THE 23 FR PEEL-AWAY INTRODUCER

1. Flush the sidearm of the repositioning sheath located on the catheter shaft.
2. Place two dead-end caps on the repositioning sheath stopcock to prevent further usage. The sideport should not be used to give medication or draw blood because the blood could potentially clot. Pressure bags should not be connected to the sideport of the repositioning sheath. If a pressure bag is connected, the sideport must have an infusion pump or flow limiting valve in place to control the amount of fluid administered to the patient. (Note: Do NOT peel the 23 Fr peel-away introducer over the tip of the repositioning sheath.)
3. Apply manual pressure above the puncture site and remove the 23 Fr peel-away introducer completely from the vein over the catheter shaft.
4. Grasp the two wings and bend back until the valve assembly comes apart. To do this, first stretch then snap the flexible valve mechanism that temporarily holds the two wings together. Continue to peel the two wings until the introducer is completely separated from the catheter shaft.
5. Slide the repositioning sheath over the catheter shaft and advance it into the femoral vein to the hub.
6. Place a deep mattress suture to aid in hemostasis. Manual pressure should also be performed for ten minutes
7. Make sure there is no bleeding at the transition from the repositioning sheath to the femoral vein. Close and dress the wound.
8. Secure the yellow section of the repositioning sheath by suturing it to the skin using the provided eyelet.
9. Attach the anticontamination sleeve to the yellow section of the repositioning sheath. Lock the anchoring ring in place by turning it clockwise. Secure the catheter shaft in place by tightening the connected anchoring ring.
10. Carefully extend the anticontamination sleeve to maximum length and secure the end closest to the blue Impella plug by tightening the anchoring ring.
11. Reposition the catheter as necessary.

### Retrograde flow

Retrograde flow will occur from the pulmonary artery back into the inferior vena cava if the Impella RP Catheter is set at P-0. Retrograde flow may also occur at P-1.

## P-LEVELS

You can select one of ten P-Levels (P-0 to P-9) as shown in Table 5.1. Flow rate is increased by approximately 10% with every additional performance level, but depends on preload and afterload and can vary due to suction or incorrect positioning. Select the lowest performance level that will enable you to achieve the flow rate necessary for patient support.

**Table 5.1 P-Level Flow Rates**

P-Level	*Flow Rate (L/min)
P-0	0.0
P-1	0.0–1.2
P-2	0.0–1.6
P-3	0.0–2.0
P-4	1.3–2.9
P-5	1.6–3.1
P-6	2.4–3.5
P-7	3.0–4.0
P-8	3.4–4.2
P-9	3.9–4.4

\*Flow rate depends on preload and afterload and can vary due to suction or incorrect positioning.

At P-levels between P-1 and P-6, the Impella RP operates with a regularly recurring rapid speed pulse. This minimizes stasis and reduces the risk of thrombosis in the motor area.

## SUCTION

If suction is an issue, the flow displayed on the controller may be higher than the actual Impella RP flow rate. If the suction alarm appears on the controller when the Impella RP is running at P-levels between P-7 and P-9, decrease P-level as needed to resolve suction. If the suction alarm continues when the P-level is at P-2, momentarily stop the Impella RP to resolve the suction issue and then restart it immediately.

## PURGE CASSETTE PROCEDURES



When replacing the purge cassette, the replacement process must be completed within 90 seconds. The Impella RP Catheter may be damaged if replacement takes longer than 90 seconds.

There are four procedures for maintaining the Impella RP Catheter purge system:

- Change purge system (changing cassette and purge fluid)
- Change purge fluid
- Change purge cassette
- De-air purge system

Each procedure can be accessed using the **PURGE SYSTEM** soft button. This section describes each of these purge cassette procedures.

### CHANGE PURGE SYSTEM

Follow these steps to change both the purge cassette and purge fluid:

1. Press **PURGE SYSTEM** and select "Change Purge System" from the menu.
2. Open the purge cassette package. Disconnect and discard the Y connector from the end of the purge tubing as shown in Figure 5.13.



#### Discard the Y Connector

Disconnect and discard the Y connector from the purge cassette tubing.

**Figure 5.13** Disconnecting the Y Connector from the Purge Cassette Tubing

3. Spike the fluid bag/bottle.
4. Select **OK** to deliver a bolus to the pressure reservoir so that the reservoir can maintain purge pressure during the change. A progress bar shows the progress of the bolus. After the bolus is delivered, the controller automatically proceeds to the next screen.
5. Disconnect the yellow luer from the Impella RP Catheter and remove the used purge cassette.

6. Insert the new purge cassette into the controller. Be sure to slide the purge disc into place and extend the purge tubing through the gap in the purge cassette door when you close the door.
7. The system automatically primes the purge cassette. A progress bar shows the progress of the priming. Once the priming is complete, you are prompted to connect the purge tubing to the Impella RP Catheter.
8. Connect the yellow luer on the end of the purge tubing to the yellow luer on the Impella RP Catheter.
9. Purge system change is complete. Enter the purge fluid information and select **OK**.
  - a. To select the default purge fluid values displayed on the screen, scroll to and select **OK**. This will select those values and automatically advance to the next screen.
  - b. To change the purge fluid information, scroll to the appropriate item and push the selector knob to select it. Then scroll through the values and push the selector knob to make a new selection. (Refer to "Entering Purge Fluid Data" in the Case Start discussion at the beginning of this section for a listing of purge fluid, dextrose concentration, and heparin concentration options.) The controller will use the default values if no other selections are made.

#### **Purge Solution Bottles**

*If the purge solution is supplied in bottles, open the vent on the purge fluid spike and follow the same procedure as if supplied in bags.*

### **CHANGE PURGE FLUID**

These are the steps you will follow to change only the purge fluid.

1. Press **PURGE SYSTEM** and select "Change Purge Fluid."
2. Select **OK** to deliver a bolus to the pressure reservoir so that the reservoir can maintain purge pressure during the change. A progress bar shows the progress of the bolus. After the bolus is delivered, the controller automatically proceeds to the next screen.
3. Replace the purge fluid bag and unclamp the supply line.
4. Select **OK** to complete bag change and start purge system again.
5. Enter the purge fluid information and select **OK**.
  - a. To select the default purge fluid values displayed on the screen, scroll to and select **OK**. This will select those values and automatically advance to the next screen.
  - b. To change the purge fluid information, scroll to the appropriate item and push the selector knob to select it. Then scroll through the values and push the selector knob to make a new selection. (Refer to "Entering Purge Fluid Data" in the Case Start discussion at the beginning of this section for a listing of purge fluid, dextrose concentration, and heparin concentration options.) The controller will use the default values if no other selections are made.
6. The next screen asks whether you want to flush the fluid from the purge cassette.
  - a. To proceed with the flush, scroll to and select **OK**.
  - b. To skip the flush, press **EXIT** to complete the Change Purge Fluid procedure.

#### **Flushing Purge Cassette Fluid**

*It may be helpful to flush the fluid from the purge cassette when you are changing dextrose concentration.*

7. If you are proceeding to flush the purge fluid from the cassette, select **OK** to deliver a bolus to the system. A progress bar shows the progress of the bolus. After the bolus is delivered, the controller automatically proceeds to the next screen.
8. Disconnect the luer from the Impella RP Catheter and select **OK** to flush the purge cassette. A progress bar shows the progress of the flush. When complete, the controller proceeds to the next screen.
9. When the purge cassette flush is complete you can connect the luer to the Impella RP Catheter to complete the procedure or press **BACK** to repeat the flush.

## CHANGE PURGE CASSETTE

These are the steps you will follow to replace only the purge cassette.

1. Press **PURGE SYSTEM** and select "Change Purge Cassette."
2. Open the purge cassette package. Disconnect and discard the Y connector from the purge tubing.
3. Disconnect the luer from the Impella RP Catheter and remove the used purge cassette.
4. Spike the fluid bag.
5. Insert a new purge cassette into the controller. Be sure to slide the purge disc into place and extend the purge tubing through the gap in the purge cassette door when you close the door.
6. The system automatically primes the purge cassette. A progress bar shows the progress of the priming. Once the priming is complete, you are prompted to connect the purge cassette to the Impella RP Catheter.
7. Connect the yellow luer on the end of the purge tubing to the yellow luer on the Impella RP Catheter.
8. When the purge cassette change is complete, press **OK** to exit.

### Changing the Purge Cassette

*The Change Purge Cassette procedure will only be available if the Automated Impella Controller detects that the cassette is defective.*

## DE-AIR PURGE SYSTEM

These are the steps you will follow to de-air the purge system.

1. Press **PURGE SYSTEM** and select "De-air Purge System."
2. Make sure that the purge fluid bag is NOT empty or inverted and that the tubing is NOT clamped.
3. Disconnect the purge tubing from the Impella RP Catheter.
4. Press **OK** to initiate the de-air function. A progress bar shows the progress of the de-air procedure. Once complete, the system advances to the next screen.
5. Confirm that no air remains in the purge tubing. If air remains, press **BACK** to repeat the air removal process.
6. Connect the yellow luer on the end of the purge tubing to the yellow luer on the Impella RP Catheter to complete the de-air procedure.

## TROUBLESHOOTING THE PURGE SYSTEM

### LOW PURGE PRESSURE



If at any time during the course of support with the Impella RP Catheter, the Automated Impella Controller alarms "Purge Pressure Low," follow the instructions below.

#### Purge Pressure

*Optimal purge pressure is different for every Impella RP Catheter. Purge pressure can range from 300 mmHg to 1100 mmHg. While purge pressure varies during operation, the Automated Impella Controller automatically maintains purge pressure within an acceptable range for each Impella RP Catheter.*

1. Inspect the purge system for leaks.
2. If there are no leaks, change to a purge fluid with a higher dextrose concentration. To do this, open the **PURGE SYSTEM** menu and select "Change Purge Fluid." Follow the instructions on the screen. (Refer to "Purge Cassette Procedures" earlier in this section of the manual.)
3. If the pressure stabilizes, no other action is required.  
**If the purge pressure is not stable, proceed to Step 4.**
4. If the low purge pressure alarm remains unresolved for more than 20 minutes, there may be a problem with the purge cassette. Replace the purge cassette. (Refer to "Change Purge Cassette" instructions on the previous page.)

### PURGE SYSTEM OPEN



If at any time during the course of support with the Impella RP Catheter, the Automated Impella Controller alarms "Purge System Open," follow the instructions below.

#### Purge System Open Alarm

*This alarm may occur if purge pressure is less than 100 mmHg.*

1. Inspect the purge system for leaks.
2. If no leaks are visible, there may be a problem with the purge cassette. Replace the purge cassette. (Refer to instructions earlier in this section of the manual.)

## HIGH PURGE PRESSURE

If the purge pressure exceeds 1100 mmHg, the Automated Impella Controller displays the “Purge Pressure High” alarm message.

1. Inspect the purge system and check the Impella RP Catheter for kinks in the tubing.
2. If pressure remains high, decrease the concentration of dextrose in the purge solution.

## PURGE SYSTEM BLOCKED

If a “Purge System Blocked” alarm occurs, the purge fluid flow stops.

1. Check the purge system tubing and the Impella RP Catheter for kinks or blockages.
2. Decrease the concentration of dextrose in the purge solution.
3. Replace the purge system.

### De-air Procedure

*You may run the de-air procedure (described earlier in this section) after changing the dextrose concentration to decrease the amount of time it takes for a change in purge pressure/flow to occur.*

### Unresolved Purge Pressure High Alarm

*If not resolved by the recommendations provided, high purge pressure—which triggers the “Purge Pressure High” alarm message—could be an indication of a kink in the Impella RP Catheter. In this case, the motor is no longer being purged and may eventually stop. Monitor motor current and consider replacing the Impella RP Catheter whenever a rise in motor current is seen.*



---

## PATIENT WEANING

Weaning the patient from the Impella RP Catheter is at the discretion of the physician. Weaning may occur when right ventricular recovery is suspected and/or the patient is approaching the maximum duration of use for the Impella RP Catheter. It should be initiated in a step-wise manner, such as described below.

***The following weaning protocol is provided as guidance only.***

### **Signs of Right Ventricular Recovery**

*As right-side support is slowly weaned, right ventricular recovery is indicated by preservation of the normal range of left-sided cardiac output as well as by a lack of severe elevation in CVP.*

1. Initiate the weaning process by temporarily reducing the Impella RP Catheter flow to about 2 L/min.
2. Assess right ventricular function. Small changes in right ventricular systolic function as measured by echocardiography may be accompanied by significant improvement in right side forward flow; therefore, it is important to evaluate both echocardiographic evidence of improvement as well as CVP, flow rate, and overall perfusion.
3. Record available information regarding flow rate, CVP, echo parameters, and systemic hemodynamics.
4. After 15–20 minutes at the reduced flow rate, if there are signs of right ventricular recovery and no adverse effects from reduction in flow rate, continue the weaning process by reducing flow rate as tolerated to 0.5 L/min (P-1). At this flow rate there will no longer be any forward flow across the right heart.
5. If the patient is maintained at a low flow rate (<1.5 L/min) for a prolonged period, increase ACT to at least 250 seconds.

---

## REMOVING THE IMPELLA RP CATHETER

1. Wean the patient by following the steps in the previous section.
2. Leave the Impella RP in the pulmonary artery at P-2 until ACT drops below 150  
**OR**  
Reduce the performance level to P-1, pull the catheter into the inferior vena cava (approximately 30 to 40 cm), and wait until ACT drops below 150.
3. When ACT is below 150 seconds and patient hemodynamics remain stable, decrease performance level to P-1, pull the catheter into the inferior vena cava if it is not already there, and stop the motor by reducing the performance level to P-0.
4. Remove initial mattress suture and place new mattress suture, but do not tie off.
5. Remove the Impella RP Catheter.
6. Tie off mattress suture. Apply pressure until hemostasis is achieved.
7. Disconnect the connector cable from the Automated Impella Controller and turn the controller off by pressing the power switch on the side of the controller for 3 seconds.



**STUDY DESIGN.....6.1**

    Impella RPSystemPivotal andCAPStudies..... 6.1

    Impella RP Post Approval Study.....6.3

**ACCOUNTABILITY OF COHORT ..... 6.5**

**STUDY POPULATION, DEMOGRAPHICS & BASELINECHAR.... 6.5**

**SAFTERY & EFFECTIVENESS RESULTS..... 6.8**

    Primary Endpoint Results.....6.8

    Secondary Safety Endpoint Results .....6.8

    Secondary Effectiveness Endpoint Results .....6.8

    Other Results..... 6.11

## SUMMARY OF PRIMARY CLINICAL STUDY

Abiomed has collected clinical data to establish a reasonable assurance of safety and effectiveness of the Impella RP System in patients who developed acute right heart failure or decompensation and required temporary ( $\leq 14$  days) right heart support. The clinical data supporting the PMA approval were pooled from the following three data sets:

- Impella RP System pivotal study: 30 patients
- Impella RP System continued access protocol (CAP) study: 4 patients
- Impella RP System post-approval study (PAS): 26 patients

A summary of these clinical studies is presented below.

## STUDY DESIGNS

### Impella RP System Pivotal Study and CAP Study

The Impella RP System pivotal study (also known as the “RECOVER RIGHT” study) and the Impella RP System CAP study had the same study design and were prospective, multi-center, non-randomized studies conducted under investigational device exemption (IDE) G120159. Patients in these two studies were treated between March 22, 2013 and January 19, 2015 at 9 investigational sites in the U.S.

The studies consisted of the following two cohorts:

- Cohort A: Patients who develop right heart failure within 48 hours post-implantation of an FDA approved implantable surgical left ventricular assist device (LVAD).
- Cohort B: Patients who developed cardiogenic shock involving right heart failure or dysfunction post cardiectomy within 48 hours post surgery or post myocardial infarction.

## INCLUSION CRITERIA

The study population consisted of consented patients ( $\geq 18$  years of age) who developed RVF either a) during or after durable LVAD implantation (Cohort A) or b) subsequent to post-cardiectomy cardiogenic shock or post myocardial infarction (Cohort B).

RVF was defined as:

- A CI  $< 2.2$  l/min/m<sup>2</sup> despite continuous infusion of high dose of inotropes and any of the following:
- CVP  $> 15$  mmHg or
- CVP/PCWP or LAP  $> 0.63$  or

- Moderate to severe global RV dysfunction on echocardiography defined as one of the following criteria: global RV hypokinesis, a TAPSE score of  $\leq 14$  mm, right ventricular diameter at base  $>42$ mm, right ventricular short axis (or mid cavity) diameter  $>35$ mm)
- High dose of inotropes was defined as Dobutamine of  $\geq 10\mu\text{g/kg/min}$  or equivalent for more than 15 minutes (120 minutes for milrinone) and/or administration of more than one inotrope/vasopressor medication

## EXCLUSION CRITERIA

Specific to Cohort A:

1. INTERMACS 1 patients (Critical cardiogenic shock patient who is “crashing and burning,” has life-threatening hypotension and rapidly escalating inotropic or pressor support, with critical organ hypoperfusion often confirmed by worsening acidosis and lactate levels)
2. End organ failure (defined as hepatic total bilirubin  $\geq 5$  mg/dL based on lab data within 24 hours prior to Impella RP initiation, renal: creatinine  $\geq 4$  mg/dL based on lab data within the 24 hours prior to Impella RP initiation)
3. Evidence of acute neurologic injury following LVAD implant

Specific to Cohort B:

1. Patient in profound cardiogenic shock defined as systolic blood pressure  $< 75$  mmHg and CI  $< 1.3$  l/min/m<sup>2</sup> despite 2 or more high dose of inotropes  $\pm$  mechanical support or evidence of shock-related end-organ damage, metabolic acidosis (pH 7.1 or less) and not corrected by 100 ml NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (1mEq/ml), disseminated intravascular coagulation or clinical evidence of diffuse brain injury or in cardiogenic shock for  $>24$  hours.
2. AMI with mechanical complications (ventricular septal defect, myocardial rupture, papillary muscle rupture)
3. Unsuccessful revascularization of the RCA (TIMI 0.1 post PCI or post-CABG)

General – For Both Cohorts

1. Active infection, two of the following WBC  $>12,500$ , positive blood culture, fever
2. RA, RV and/or PA thrombus
3. Prosthetic valves in the right heart (tricuspid or pulmonary valves)
4. Unrepaired atrial septal defect/ patent foramen ovale
5. Structural tricuspid valve disease
6. Severe pulmonary valve stenosis or insufficiency
7. Intolerance to anticoagulant or antiplatelet therapies
8. Severe pulmonary hypertension (PAP  $>60$ mmHg)
9. Documented DVT and/or presence of IVC filter

10. Anatomic conditions precluding insertion of the pump or safe use of the device such as severe anomaly of the inferior vena cava, calcification or other disorders of the pulmonary artery wall
11. Pulmonary artery conduit replacement
12. Patient on right side support device or extracorporeal membrane oxygenation
13. Current diagnosis of pulmonary embolism
14. Patient with anatomic anomalies or aortic diseases like aortic dissection, Marfan-Syndrome, Morbus Erdheim-Gsell or others
15. Allergy or intolerance to contrast media
16. Thrombolysis within the previous 30 days or known existing coagulopathy such as thrombocytopenia, heparin induced thrombocytopenia (HIT), hemoglobin diseases such as sickle cell anemia or thalassemia
17. Existing congenital heart disease precluding device insertion
18. Participation in any other clinical investigation that is likely to confound study results or affect study outcome

## Impella RP System Post Approval Study (PAS)

The Impella RP System PAS was a prospective, multi-center, non-randomized study conducted as a condition of approval for the original HDE. Patients in the study were treated in the commercial setting between May 27, 2015 and September 24, 2016 at 8 investigational sites in the U.S.

### INCLUSION CRITERIA

Enrollment in the Impella RP System PAS was limited to patients who met the approved indication of the device under the HDE and who were not contraindicated.

---

## **FOLLOW-UP SCHEDULE (Same for Both Studies)**

All patients were scheduled to return for follow-up examinations at 30 and 180 days post device explant.

## **STUDY ENDPOINTS (Same for Both Studies)**

The primary endpoint was the survival rate at 30 days post device explant or hospital discharge (whichever is longer), or at induction of anesthesia for a longer term therapy, including heart transplant or implantation of a surgical right ventricular assist device (RVAD; as a bridge-to-recovery or bridge-to-transplant).

The secondary safety endpoints were determined by the rates of the following adverse events at 30 days or discharge (whichever is longer), or at induction of anesthesia for a longer term therapy:

- Major bleeding
- Hemolysis
- Pulmonary embolism
- Tricuspid/pulmonary valve dysfunction (defined as tricuspid/pulmonic valve injury resulting in increased valve regurgitation versus baseline)

The secondary effectiveness endpoints included the following:

- Central venous pressure (CVP) and cardiac index (CI) improvement post initiation of Impella RP support
- Decreased use of inotropes during support
- Improvement in left ventricular assist device (LVAD) flow or left ventricle pumping function secondary to the increased venous return by the Impella RP within 48 hours post implant

## **ANALYSIS**

The three data sets listed above were pooled and analyzed descriptively. The success criterion was based on clinical judgment.

## ACCOUNTABILITY OF COHORT

A total of 60 subjects were treated in the 3 prospective studies, including 31 subjects (52%) enrolled in Cohort A and 29 subjects (48%) enrolled in Cohort B, as shown in Figure 6.1.

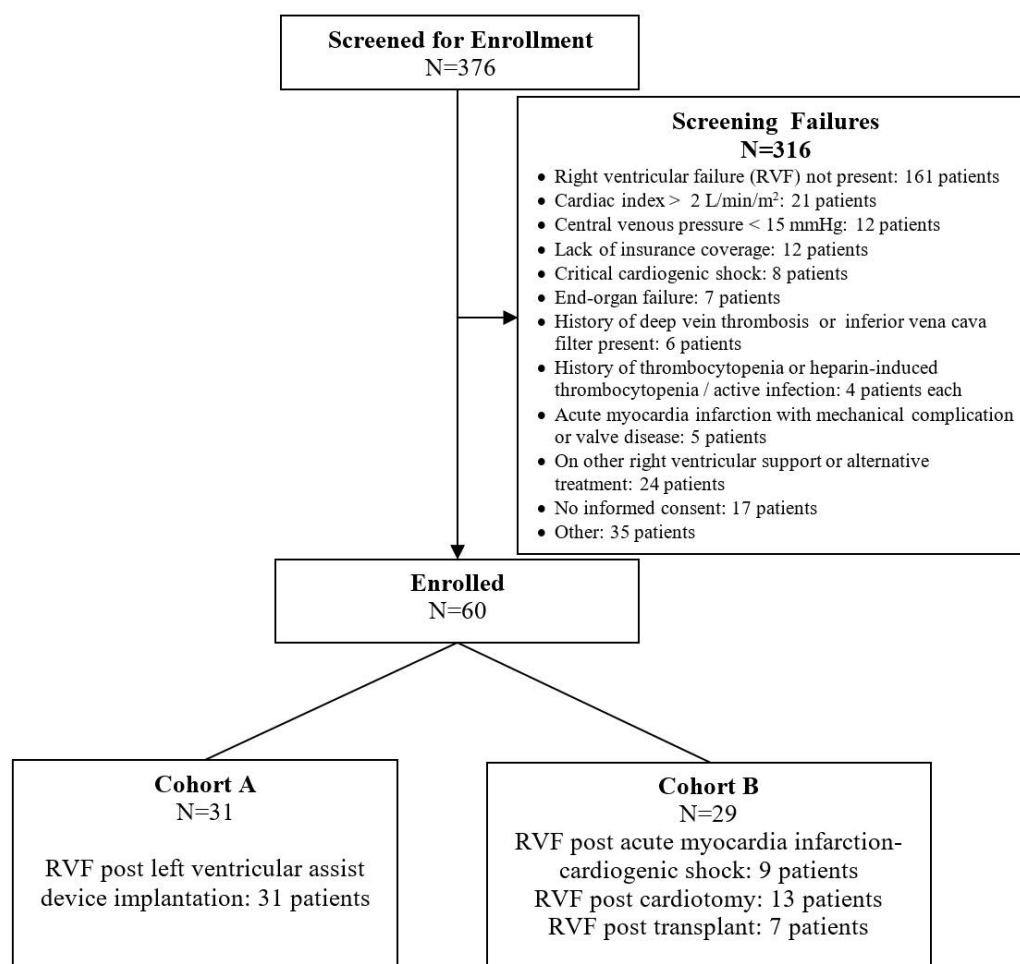


Figure 6.1 Study Flow Schematic

## STUDY POPULATION DEMOGRAPHICS & BASELINE CHARACTERISTICS

The demographics and baseline characteristics of the study population, as summarized in Table 6.1, are typical for a temporary right ventricular support study performed in the U.S. The majority of the patients had hypertension (81.7%), coronary artery disease (CAD; 58.6%), congestive heart failure (CHF; 83.6%), or arrhythmia (76.4%), and were in New York Heart Association (NYHA) class III/IV (93.8%).

**Table 6.1: Patient Demographics and Baseline Characteristics**

Demographics and Baseline Characteristics	Summary Statistics*		
	Cohort A (N=31)	Cohort B (N=29)	All Patients (N=60)
Age	54.5±14.9 (31)	62.9±14.3 (29)	58.6±15.1 (60)
Gender			
Male	80.6% (25/31)	55.2% (16/29)	68.3% (41/60)
Female	19.4 (6/31)	44.9% (13/29)	31.7% (19/60)
Race			
White	54.8% (17/31)	44.8% (13/29)	50.0% (30/60)
Black or African American	41.9% (13/31)	44.8% (13/29)	43.3% (26/60)
Asian	3.2% (1/31)	6.9% (2/29)	5.0% (3/60)
Body surface area (m <sup>2</sup> )	2.0±0.2 (31)	1.9±0.2 (29)	1.9±0.2 (60)
Hypertension	77.4% (24/31)	86.2% (25/29)	81.7% (49/60)
Coronary artery disease	60.0% (18/30)	57.1% (16/28)	58.6% (34/58)
Congenital heart disease	7.7% (2/26)	8.0% (2/25)	7.8% (4/51)
Congestive heart failure	96.8% (30/31)	66.7% (16/24)	83.6% (46/55)
New York Heart Association (NYHA) Classification			
I	0.0% (0/29)	5.0% (1/20)	2.0% (1/49)
II	3.4% (1/29)	5.0% (1/20)	4.1% (2/49)
III	10.3% (3/29)	15.0% (3/20)	12.2% (6/49)
IV	86.2% (25/29)	75.0% (15/20)	81.6% (40/49)
Myocardial infarction	46.4% (13/28)	52.0% (13/25)	49.1% (26/53)
Percutaneous coronary intervention	41.9% (13/31)	32.1% (9/28)	37.3% (22/59)
Coronary artery bypass grafting	9.7% (3/31)	17.2% (5/29)	13.3% (8/60)
Arrhythmia	79.3% (23/29)	73.1% (19/26)	76.4% (42/55)
Cerebrovascular accident	10.7% (3/28)	28.0% (7/25)	18.9% (10/53)
Stroke	7.1% (2/28)	4.0% (1/25)	5.7% (3/53)
Transient ischemic attack	0.0% (0/28)	24.0% (6/25)	11.3% (6/53)
Other	3.6% (1/28)	0.0% (0/25)	1.9% (1/53)
Smoking	46.7% (14/30)	51.7% (15/29)	49.2% (29/59)
Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease	20.7% (6/29)	7.7% (2/26)	14.5% (8/55)
Diabetes	51.6% (16/31)	41.4% (12/29)	46.7% (28/60)
Chronic kidney disease	37.9% (11/29)	32.0% (8/25)	35.2% (19/54)
Valve replacement/repair	12.9% (4/31)	17.2% (5/29)	15.0% (9/60)
Implantable cardioverter defibrillator/Pacemaker implanted	64.5% (20/31)	24.1% (7/29)	45.0% (27/60)
Left ventricular ejection fraction (LVEF; %)	13.8±6.0 (28)	46.5±15.9 (25)	29.2±20.2 (53)
Tricuspid annular plane systolic excursion (TAPSE; mm)	13.9±6.5 (14)	11.7±4.8 (14)	12.8±5.7 (28)

\*Categorical data: % (n/total no.); variable data: mean±SD (n)



The baseline laboratory parameters are provided in Table 6.2. Both kidney and liver functions were reflective of poor end-organ perfusion prior to device insertion.

**Table 6.2 Baseline Laboratory Parameters**

Laboratory Parameters	Summary Statistics*		
	Cohort A (N=31)	Cohort B (N=29)	All Patients (N=60)
White blood cell (WBC) count ( $10^3$ )	12.1±6.8 (31)	14.4±9.5 (29)	13.2±8.2 (60)
Platelets count ( $10^3$ )	208.1±92.3 (31)	230.4±133.4 (29)	218.9±113.6 (60)
Hemoglobin (g/dL)	10.1±2.0 (31)	10.9±2.0 (29)	10.5±2.0 (60)
Hematocrit (%) (N)	30.9±6.2 (31)	33.3±5.9 (29)	32.1±6.1 (60)
Plasma free hemoglobin (mg/dL)	13.6±11.8 (16)	39.0±59.1 (12)	24.5±40.8 (28)
Blood urea nitrogen (BUN; mg/dL)	27.3±17.2 (31)	31.5±16.6 (29)	29.4±16.9 (60)
Serum creatinine (mg/dL)	1.5±0.6 (31)	1.5±0.7 (29)	1.5±0.6 (60)
Creatinine clearance (mL/min)	76.8±55.1 (23)	68.9±55.2 (22)	73.0±54.7 (45)
Total bilirubin (mg/dL)	1.6±1.1 (29)	1.1±0.6 (29)	1.4±0.9 (58)
Lactate dehydrogenase (LDH; U/L)	539.5±345.9 (24)	715.0±553.6 (14)	604.1±435.2 (38)

\*Mean±SD (n)

The baseline support and hemodynamic characteristics are summarized in Table 6.3. All patients enrolled presented with right ventricular failure and poor hemodynamics at the time of implant, despite high dose of inotropes/pressors.

**Table 6.3 Baseline Support and Hemodynamic Characteristics**

Support and Hemodynamic Characteristics	Summary Statistics*		
	Cohort A (N=31)	Cohort B (N=29)	All Patients (N=60)
Number of inotropes/pressors (prior to device insertion)	3.6±1.2 (31)	3.1±1.3 (28)	3.4±1.2 (59)
Hemodynamics (prior to device insertion)			
Cardiac index (L/min/m <sup>2</sup> )	1.8±0.5 (31)	1.9±0.6 (28)	1.9±0.5 (59)
Cardiac output (L/min)	3.9±1.4 (31)	3.8±1.3 (28)	3.9±1.3 (59)
Pulmonary capillary wedge pressure/left arterial pressure (mmHg)	14.5±4.6 (8)	20.4±8.5 (8)	17.4±7.3 (16)
Right arterial pressure/central venous pressure (mmHg)	18.42±4.79 (31)	19.84±5.83 (29)	19.1±5.3 (60)
Pulmonary artery pressure: Systolic (mmHg)	39.4±12.1 (29)	39.8±10.3 (26)	39.6±11.1 (55)
Pulmonary artery pressure: Diastolic (mmHg)	23.9±11.6 (31)	21.2±7.8 (27)	22.5±9.9 (58)
Mean arterial Ppressure (mmHg)	75.6±12.4 (24)	65.9±16.3 (24)	70.7±15.1 (48)
Heart rate (BPM)	91.9±19.7 (28)	86.1±18.0 (28)	89.0±18.9 (56)
LVAD flow (L/min; Cohort A only)	4.0±0.7 (19)	N/A	4.0±0.7 (19)

\*Mean±SD (n)

## SAFETY AND EFFECTIVENESS RESULTS

### PRIMARY ENDPOINT

The primary endpoint of survival at 30 days or discharge post device removal (whichever is longer), or at induction of anesthesia for the next longer-term therapy (i.e., heart transplant or implantation of a surgical RVAD) was achieved in 73.3% of the patients, with 77.4% in cohort A and 69.0% in cohort B, as shown in Table 6.4. It is important to note that all patients discharged from the hospital (70% of all patients) recovered their right heart function and were discharged without any right ventricular mechanical support.

**Table 6.4 Patient Survival Outcomes**

Event	Summary Statistics*		
	Cohort A (N=31)	Cohort B (N=29)	All Patients (N=60)
Alive at 30 days/discharge/next therapy	77.4% (24/31)	69.0% (20/29)	73.3% (44/60)
Alive at next longer term therapy	16.1% (5/31)	6.9% (2/29)	11.7% (7/60)
Alive at 30 days	77.4% (24/31)	65.5% (19/29)	71.7% (43/60)
Alive at discharge	71.0% (22/31)	69.0% (20/29)	70.0% (42/60)
Right ventricle recovered (discharged without RVAD)	100% (22/22)	100% (20/20)	100% (42/42)

\*% (n/total no.)

### SECONDARY ENDPOINTS

#### Safety Endpoints

The secondary safety endpoint results are summarized in Table 6.5, which were measured at hospital discharge or to induction of anesthesia to a longer term therapy.

**Table 6.5 Secondary Safety Endpoints Results**

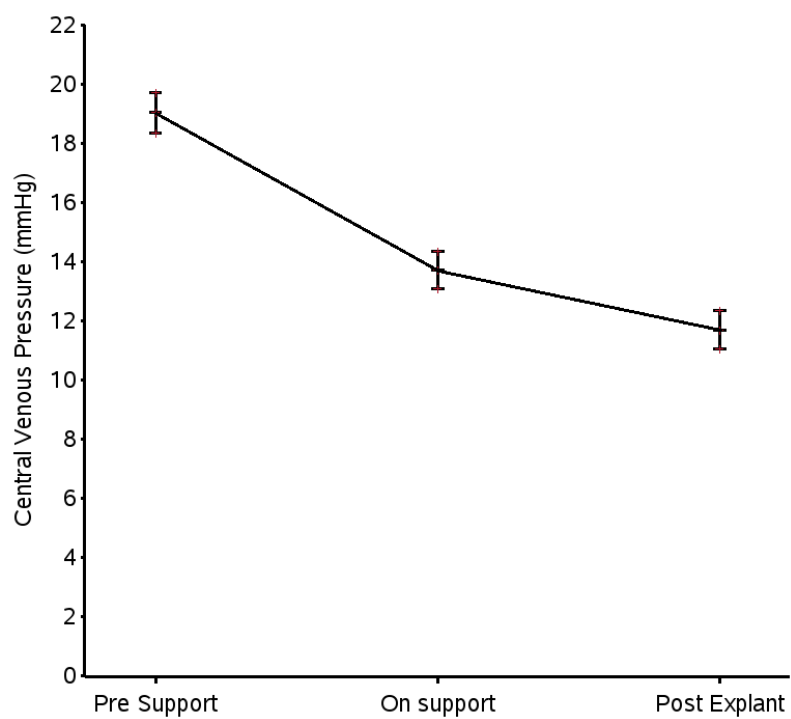
Endpoints	Summary Statistics*		
	Cohort A (N=31)	Cohort B (N=29)	All Patients (N=60)
Major bleeding	54.8% (17/31)	41.4% (12/29)	48.3% (29/60)
Hemolysis	29.0% (9/31)	24.1% (7/29)	26.7% (16/60)
Pulmonary embolism	0.0% (0/31)	0.0% (0/29)	0.0% (0/60)

\*% (n/total no.)

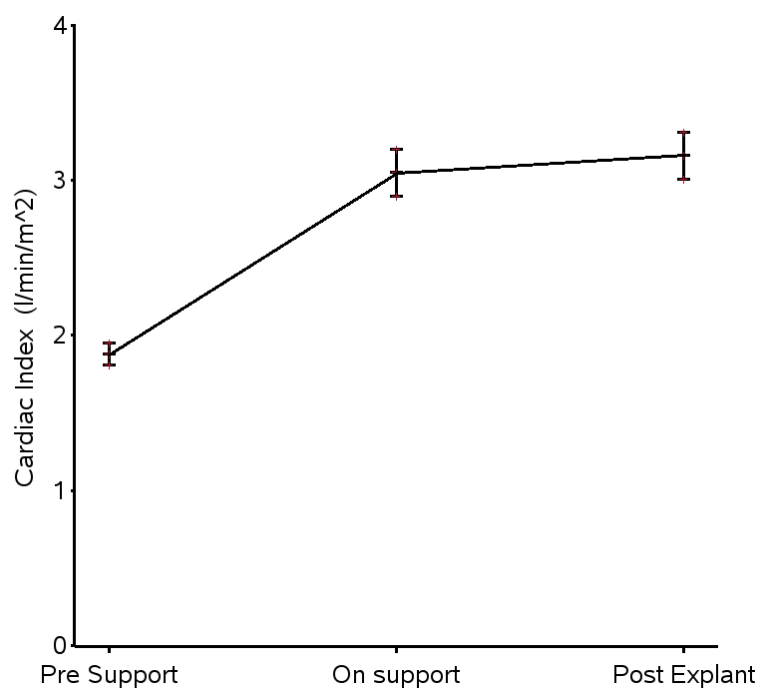
#### Effectiveness Endpoints

##### **Central venous pressure and cardiac index:**

The overall central venous pressure and cardiac index changes over time are shown in Figures 6.1 and 6.2, respectively. The central venous pressure decreased from  $19.0 \pm 0.7$  to  $13.7 \pm 0.6$  mmHg during support; the cardiac index increased from  $1.9 \pm 0.1$  to  $3.1 \pm 0.2$  L/min/m<sup>2</sup> during support. In addition, both the central venous pressure and the cardiac index remained stable post removal of the Impella RP.



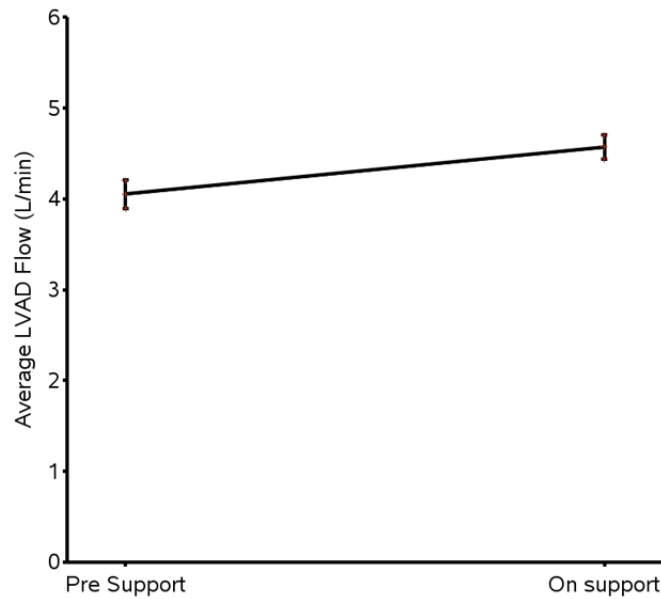
*Figure 6.1: Central Venous Pressure Change Over Time*



*Figure 6.2: Cardiac Index Change Over Time*

### **LVAD flow:**

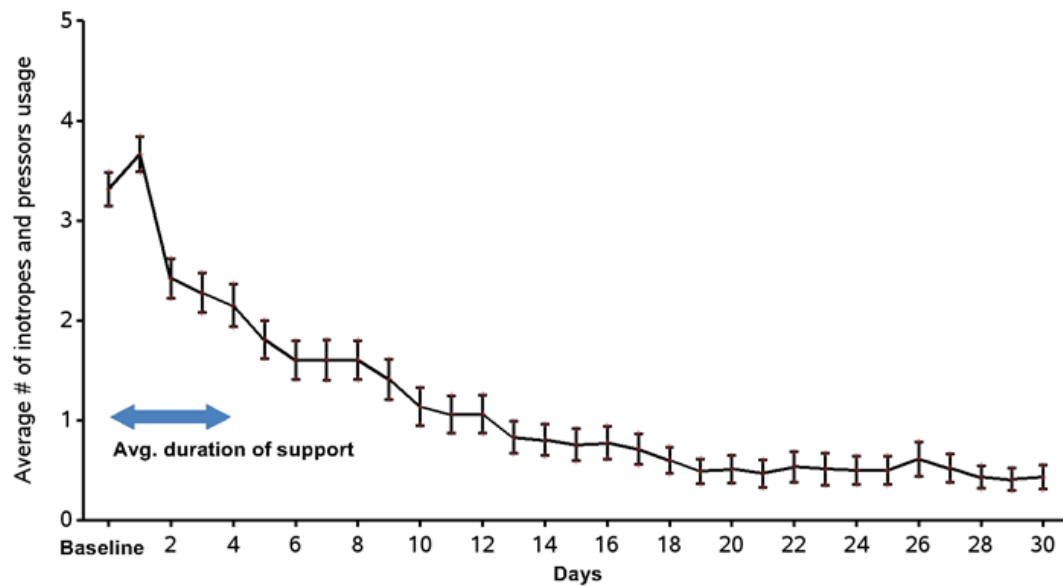
The LVAD flow in Cohort A patients is shown in Figure 6.3. The flow increased from  $4.0 \pm 0.2$  L/min to  $4.6 \pm 0.1$  L/min post support.



**Figure 6.3: LVAD Flow Change from Baseline to On support**

### **Inotrope and pressor uses during support:**

The inotrope and pressor uses during support are shown in Figure 6.4. A rapid decrease of such uses were seen post initiation of Impella RP support.



**Figure 6.4: Inotrope and Pressor Uses during Support**

## OTHER RESULTS

### Procedural Parameters

The procedural parameters are summarized in Table 6.6.

**Table 6.6: Procedural Parameters**

Procedural Parameters	Summary Statistics*		
	Cohort A (N=31)	Cohort B (N=29)	All Patients (N=60)
Side of implantation			
Left femoral vein	0.0% (0/31)	6.9% (2/29)	3.3% (2/60)
Right femoral vein	100.0% (31/31)	93.1% (27/29)	96.7% (58/60)
Estimated blood loss during introducer insertion			
<25 mL	86.4% (19/22)	88.5% (23/26)	87.5% (42/48)
25-50 mL	9.1% (2/22)	7.7% (2/26)	8.3% (4/48)
>100 mL	4.5% (1/22)	3.8% (1/26)	4.2% (2/48)
Estimated blood loss during catheter placement			
<25mL	66.7% (14/21)	46.2% (12/26)	55.3% (26/47)
25-50 mL	28.6% (6/21)	38.5% (10/26)	34.0% (16/47)
>100 mL	4.8% (1/21)	7.7% (2/26)	6.4% (3/47)
Duration of support (hours)	101.2±66.0 (21)	81.9±49.1 (29)	90.0±57.0 (50)
Average device flow (L/min)	3.2±0.4 (23)	3.2±0.4 (27)	3.2±0.4 (50)

\*Categorical data: % (n/total no.); variable data: mean±SD (n)

### Subgroup Analysis

#### **Gender Analysis**

The outcomes by gender were also examined. A trend towards higher mortality was observed in female patients; the rate of the other adverse events appeared comparable between genders. However, the small sample size and the multiple cohorts studied prevent any conclusions based on gender

# 7 AUTOMATED IMPELLA CONTROLLER ALARMS



<b>ALARMS OVERVIEW .....</b>	<b>7.1</b>
Alarm Levels .....	7.1
Alarm Display .....	7.2
Mute Alarm Function .....	7.2
<b>ALARM MESSAGE SUMMARY .....</b>	<b>7.3</b>

## ALARMS OVERVIEW

The Automated Impella Controller monitors various functions to determine whether specific operational parameters are within expected limits. When a parameter goes outside of its specified limits, the Automated Impella Controller sounds an alarm tone and displays an alarm message that can be viewed on the display screen on the front of the controller. The alarm tone indicates the severity of the alarm. The alarm message on the display screen is color-coded for severity and provides details on the cause of the alarm and how to resolve the alarm. After muting an alarm, if another alarm occurs it will only be heard and displayed if it is a higher priority alarm than the one that was muted.

### ALARM LEVELS

Alarms are divided into three levels of severity:

- Advisory (white)
- Serious (yellow)
- Critical (red)

**Table 7.1 Alarm Levels**

Category	Description	Audible Indicator*	Visual Indicator
Advisory	Notification	1 beep every 5 minutes	Alarm header on white background
Serious	May become harmful or life-threatening if not addressed immediately	3 beeps every 15 seconds	Alarm header on yellow background
Critical	Immediately harmful or life-threatening	10 beeps every 6.7 seconds	Alarm header on red background

\* Sound pressure of audible alarm indicators is >80 dBA

For some alarms, there is a short delay between the triggered event and the audible annunciation and visual display of the alarm. (For more information, refer to the “Alarm Delay Information” discussion in section 8 of this manual.)

## ALARM DISPLAY

The alarm window is located in the upper left region of the display screen on the front of the Automated Impella Controller (see Figure 7.1). Alarms are listed in order of priority, with the highest priority alarm at the top. Up to three alarms may be displayed at one time. The colored background behind the highest priority alarm will alternate between two shades of that color. The white panel displayed to the right of the alarm header contains instructions for resolving the alarm condition. The instructions should be followed in the order given.



Figure 7.1 Alarm Window

### Alarms That Resolve On Their Own

The audible indicator will shut off if an alarm condition is resolved before you press **MUTE ALARM**. The visual message, however, will continue to be displayed, with the alarm header on a gray background, for 20 minutes or until you press **MUTE ALARM**. This allows you to identify the alarm that occurred.

## MUTE ALARM FUNCTION

Pressing the **MUTE ALARM** button on the upper right of the Automated Impella Controller display screen will silence the audible alarm indicator for 2 minutes (for red or yellow alarms) or 5 minutes (for white advisory alarms). When an alarm is silenced, the words "MUTE ALARM" next to the button are replaced by the mute alarm indicator, a crossed-out bell icon (as shown in Figure 7.1).

## ALARM HISTORY SCREEN

The alarm history screen may be accessed through the **MENU**. This screen contains a log of the alarms that occurred during the case. This log is not maintained when the Automated Impella Controller is powered down or after a power failure. The controller does, however, maintain a long-term log that is saved after the Automated Impella Controller is powered down or after a power failure and this information may be downloaded by Abiomed personnel.



## ALARM MESSAGE SUMMARY

Table 7.2 briefly describes all of the alarm messages that may appear on the Automated Impella Controller when used with the Impella RP Catheter.

**Table 7.2 Automated Impella Controller Alarm Messages**

Severity	Alarm Header	Action	Cause
Critical Alarms	<b>Air in Purge System</b>	The purge system has stopped. Initiate the De-air Tool and follow instructions to remove the air from the system.	There is air in the purge tubing.
	<b>Battery Critically Low</b>	Plug controller into AC power.	Battery power has 15% remaining capacity.
	<b>Battery Failure</b>	Plug controller into AC power.	One of the batteries has failed.
	<b>Battery Failure</b>	1. Plug controller into AC power. 2. Press switch located on the underside of the controller. 3. Switch to backup controller.	A battery switch is turned off or there is a malfunction of the switch.
	<b>Battery Temperature High</b>	Switch to backup controller.	Battery temperature is greater than 60°C.
	<b>Complete Procedure</b>	1. Follow the steps on the screen or 2. Exit the procedure	The Complete Procedure serious alarm (yellow; see <i>next page</i> ) is active and the user has not responded for an additional 2 minutes.
	<b>Controller Failure</b>	The purge system has stopped. Switch to backup controller.	The controller has detected a purge pressure sensor defect and has stopped the purge system.
	<b>Controller Failure</b>	Switch to backup controller.	There is a problem with the controller electronics..
	<b>Emergency Shutdown Imminent</b>	Release ON/OFF push button.	Power switch pressed for 15 seconds while Impella RP Catheter still connected.
	<b>Impella Disconnected</b>	1. Check cable connection to console. 2. Check Impella connection to cable.	Running Impella RP Catheter disconnected.
	<b>Impella Failure</b>	Replace Impella.	There is a problem with the Impella RP Catheter motor.
	<b>Impella Stopped</b>	1. Replace white connector cable. 2. Switch to backup controller. 3. Replace Impella pump.	There is a problem with the electronics.

**Table 7.2 Automated Impella Controller Alarm Messages (continued)**

Severity	Alarm Header	Action	Cause
Critical Alarms	<b>Impella Stopped</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Restart Impella.</li> <li>2. Replace Impella after 3rd unsuccessful restart attempt</li> </ol>	There may be a mechanical or electrical problem in the Impella RP Catheter.
	<b>Impella Stopped Controller Failure</b>	Switch to backup controller.	There is a problem with the controller electronics.
	<b>Impella Stopped Motor Current High</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Restart Impella.</li> <li>2. Replace Impella after 3rd unsuccessful restart attempt.</li> </ol>	There is a problem with the Impella RP Catheter motor.
	<b>Impella Stopped Retrograde Flow</b>	To prevent retrograde flow, restart Impella or withdraw pump from ventricle.	Impella RP Catheter is not running; possible retrograde flow through Impella RP Catheter.
	<b>Purge Disc Not Detected</b>	Re-insert Purge Disc	The controller is not detecting that the purge disc is clicked into the front of the controller.
	<b>Purge Pressure High</b>	Decrease concentration of dextrose in the purge solution.	Purge pressure is $\geq 1100$ mmHg with the purge flow $< 2$ mL/hr.
	<b>Purge Pressure Low</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Check purge system tubing for leaks.</li> <li>2. Increase concentration of dextrose in the purge solution.</li> <li>3. Replace purge cassette.</li> </ol>	Purge pressure has dropped below 300 mmHg with the purge flow 30 mL/hr for 30 seconds or longer.
	<b>Purge System Blocked</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Check all purge system tubing for kinks or blockages.</li> <li>2. Decrease concentration of dextrose in the purge solution.</li> </ol>	<p>Purge flow has dropped below 1 mL/hr.</p> <p>Kinked or blocked purge connecting tube.</p> <p>Kinked or blocked purge lumen in Impella RP Catheter.</p>
	<b>Purge System Failure</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Replace purge cassette.</li> <li>2. Switch to backup controller.</li> </ol>	There is a problem with the purge cassette or the purge unit driver.
	<b>Purge System Open</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Check the purge system tubing for open connections or leaks.</li> <li>2. Replace purge cassette.</li> </ol>	Purge pressure has dropped below 100 mmHg for 20 seconds or longer.
	<b>Retrograde Flow</b>	Check for high afterload pressure.	Reverse flow detected at high motor speed.

Table 7.2 Automated Impella Controller Alarm Messages (continued)

Severity	Alarm Header	Action	Cause
Serious Alarms	<b>Battery Comm. Failure</b>	Plug controller into AC power.	Loss of communication to the battery.
	<b>Battery Level Low</b>	Plug controller into AC power.	Battery power has 50% remaining capacity.
	<b>Battery Temperature High</b>	1. Check controller for blocked air vents. 2. Switch to backup controller.	Battery temperature is greater than 50°C and less than or equal to 60°C.
	<b>Complete Procedure</b>	1. Follow the steps on the screen or 2. Exit the procedure	User has not responded to a de-air or purge procedure screen for more than 1 minute or a transfer to standard configuration screen for more than 5 minutes.
	<b>Controller Error</b>	Switch to backup controller.	There is a problem with the controller electronics.
	<b>Impella Catheter Not Supported</b>	1. Replace Impella with supported catheter (2.5, CP, 5.0, LD, RP). 2. Contact Abiomed Service to upgrade Impella Controller.	The Impella Catheter is not supported to operate with the current version of controller software and/or hardware.
	<b>Impella Defective</b>	Do not use Impella. Replace Impella.	There is a problem with the Impella RP Catheter electronics.
	<b>Placement Signal Not Reliable</b>	Monitor patient hemodynamics.	There is a problem with the Impella Catheter sensor signal.
	<b>Purge Cassette Failure</b>	Replace purge cassette.	There is a problem with the purge cassette software.
	<b>Purge Volume Critically Low</b>	1. Open the <b>PURGE SYSTEM</b> menu and select Change Purge Fluid. 2. Follow the instructions to change the purge fluid.	There are 15 mL (in addition to 5% of the starting bag volume) or fewer remaining in the purge fluid bag.
	<b>Reinstall Software</b>	Software installation was unsuccessful.	Reinstall software. Software was not installed successfully.
	<b>Suction</b>	1. Check filling and volume status. 2. Check Impella position. 3. Reduce P-Level.	Suction is detected.

**Table 7.2 Automated Impella Controller Alarm Messages (continued)**

Severity	Alarm Header	Action	Cause
Advisory Alarms	<b>AC Power Disconnected</b>	Controller is running on battery power.	AC power was disconnected.
	<b>Audio Off</b>	The audio for the following alarms has been disabled. <Alarms will be listed here>	User has disabled audio for one or more of the following alarms: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Purge Pressure High</li> <li>• Purge System Blocked</li> <li>• Suction</li> <li>• Placement Signal Not Reliable</li> <li>• Placement Signal Lumen Blocked.</li> </ul>
	<b>Preventing Retrograde Flow</b>	Impella P-level has increased to prevent retrograde flow. 1. Consider increasing target P-level. 2. For weaning, disable Retrograde Flow Control through <b>MENU</b> soft key.	Retrograde flow has been detected and minimum motor speed has been increased to more than target P-level.
	<b>Purge Cassette Incompatible</b>	Contact Abiomed Service to update Impella Controller.	Incompatible purge cassette RFID version.
	<b>Purge Flow Decreased</b>	The purge flow has decreased by 2.5 mL/hr or more. This is a notification only; no action is required.	Purge flow has decreased by $\geq 2.5$ mL/hr.
	<b>Purge Flow Increased</b>	The purge flow has increased by 2.5 mL/hr or more. This is a notification only; no action is required.	Purge flow has increased by $\geq 2.5$ mL/hr.
	<b>Purge Volume Low</b>	1. Open <b>PURGE SYSTEM</b> menu and select Change Purge Fluid. 2. Follow the instructions to change the purge fluid.	There are 30 mL (in addition to 5% of the starting bag volume) or fewer remaining in the purge fluid bag.
	<b>Surgical Mode Enabled</b>	Impella pump stopped. Purge system running. 'Impella Stopped' alarm disabled. To exit this mode, start Impella pump.	Surgical Mode has been enabled to silence 'Impella Stopped' alarm at P-0.
	<b>Unexpected Controller Shutdown</b>	Switch to back-up Controller if condition persists.	Unexpected restart of controller due to software or hardware failures

## 8 GENERAL SYSTEM INFORMATION






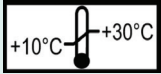




<b>TERMINOLOGY, ABBREVIATIONS, AND SYMBOLS .....</b>	<b>8.1</b>
Terminology and Abbreviations.....	8.1
Symbols.....	8.1
<b>AUTOMATED IMPELLA CONTROLLER MECHANICAL SPECIFICATIONS .....</b>	<b>8.3</b>
<b>AUTOMATED IMPELLA CONTROLLER ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS.....</b>	<b>8.3</b>
<b>EQUIPMENT DESIGN .....</b>	<b>8.4</b>
<b>EQUIPMENT CLASSIFICATIONS.....</b>	<b>8.5</b>
<b>FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION (FCC) NOTICE .....</b>	<b>8.5</b>
<b>ELECTROMAGNETIC COMPATIBILITY .....</b>	<b>8.6</b>
<b>TRANSPORT BETWEEN HOSPITALS .....</b>	<b>8.10</b>
Guidelines for Patient Transport.....	8.10
Important Transport Considerations.....	8.10
FAA Advisory.....	8.11
<b>TRANSPORT WITHIN THE HOSPITAL .....</b>	<b>8.11</b>
<b>SLAVE MONITOR CONNECTION .....</b>	<b>8.11</b>
<b>ALARM DELAY INFORMATION .....</b>	<b>8.12</b>
<b>PATIENT ENVIRONMENT .....</b>	<b>8.12</b>
<b>WHITE CONNECTOR CABLE.....</b>	<b>8.13</b>
<b>IMPELLA RP CATHETER PARAMETERS .....</b>	<b>8.13</b>
<b>CLEANING .....</b>	<b>8.14</b>
<b>STORING THE AUTOMATED IMPELLA CONTROLLER.....</b>	<b>8.14</b>
<b>RETURNING AN IMPELLA RP CATHETER TO ABIOMED (UNITED STATES) .....</b>	<b>8.14</b>

## TERMINOLOGY, ABBREVIATIONS, AND SYMBOLS
















**Table 8.1 Terminology and Abbreviations**

<b>Catheter serial number</b>	Identification number of the Impella RP Catheter; stated on the package label, on the blue Impella plug, and the Automated Impella Controller display screen
<b>Dextrose and Glucose</b>	The terms “dextrose” and “glucose” are used interchangeably to refer to the solution used as purge fluid for the Impella RP System
<b>Hz</b>	Hertz
<b>Motor housing</b>	Enclosure of the Impella RP Catheter motor
<b>Pump</b>	Central delivery unit of the Impella RP Catheter, consisting of the motor, motor housing, cannula with inlet and outlet, and pigtail at the tip
<b>Purge pressure</b>	Pressure present in the Impella RP Catheter and in the infusion line
<b>Purge system</b>	Impella purge cassette used for rinsing the Impella RP Catheter
<b>Retrograde flow</b>	Reverse flow through the cannula when the Impella RP Catheter is at a standstill (eg, regurgitation)
<b>V</b>	Volt
<b>VA</b>	Volt ampere (Watt)

**Table 8.2 Symbols**

	Caution; consult instructions for use
	Defibrillator-proof type CF equipment
	Keep dry
	Storage temperature (eg, 10°C to 30°C)
	Declares conformity with directive 93/42/EEC for medical devices
 2014-10-01	Date of manufacture (eg, October 1, 2014)
	Protect from sunlight
	Symbol for lot designation; the manufacturer's lot designation must be stated after the LOT symbol

**Table 8.2 Symbols (continued)**

<b>REF 123456</b>	Abiomed part number (eg, part number 123456)
<b>SN 123456</b>	Manufacturer's serial number (eg, serial number 123456)
<b>Non Sterile!</b>	The product is not sterile
 <b>2016-06-01</b>	Use-by date (eg, use before June 1, 2016)
	Do not reuse
	Sterilized using ethylene oxide
	Electric scrap; must be disposed of separately. Must not be disposed of as domestic waste.
	Protective Earth
	ON / OFF
	Alternating current (AC) only
	Equipotentiality
	Fuse
	Non-ionizing electromagnetic radiation
	USB port
	CAT 5 Port (Ethernet)
	MR Unsafe
 <b>Do Not Flush</b>	Do Not Flush
 <b>Glucose</b>	Glucose

## AUTOMATED IMPELLA CONTROLLER MECHANICAL SPECIFICATIONS

**Table 8.3 Mechanical specifications for the Automated Impella Controller**

Parameter	Specification	
<b>Temperature</b>	Operating:	10°C to 40°C (50°F to 104°F)
	Storage:	–15°C to 50°C (5°F to 122°F)
<b>Relative Humidity</b>	Operating:	95%
	Storage:	95%
<b>Atmospheric Pressure</b>	Operating:	8000 ft (750 hPa) to –1000 ft (1050 hPa)
	Storage:	18,000 ft (500 hPa) to –1000 ft (1050 hPa)
<b>Dimensions</b>	Height:	351 mm (13.8 in)
	Width:	443 mm (17.4 in)
	Depth:	236 mm (9.3 in)
<b>Dimensions – Packaged</b>	Height:	508 mm (20.0 in)
	Width:	559 mm (22.0 in)
	Depth:	406 mm (15.0 in)
<b>Weight</b>	Maximum:	11.8 kg (26.1 lbs)
<b>Weight – Packaged</b>	Maximum:	13.6 kg (30 lbs)
<b>Maintenance and repair interval</b>	12 months (Work must be performed by technicians authorized by Abiomed)	

## AUTOMATED IMPELLA CONTROLLER ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS

**Table 8.4 Electrical specifications for the Automated Impella Controller**

<b>AC operation</b>	100-230 V AC (nominal); 47-63 Hz; 1.1 A
<b>Internal battery operation</b>	14.4 V DC (nominal); lithium ion
<b>Characteristic values</b>	
Max. power consumption under load	120 VA
9.7 fuses	2 Amp. 250 V. 5 mm x 20 mm, slow-blow fuses
Running time without AC power with fully charged batteries	At least 60 minutes (charging duration of at least 5 hours)
<b>Electrical system</b>	Installation in accordance with pertinent regulations is required for use in medical facilities (eg, IEC stipulations).



---

## EQUIPMENT DESIGN

The Automated Impella Controller conforms to the applicable requirements of the following standards:

- #IEC 60601-1  
Issued:2005/01/01 Ed:3 Medical electrical equipment Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance
- CSA C22.2#60601-1 (2008) Ed:3 Medical Electrical Equipment - Part 1: General requirements for basic Safety and essential performance
- CENELEC EN60601-1 (2006) Medical Electrical Equipment Part 1: General Requirements for Basic Safety and Essential Performance. Included when concurrent with IEC 60601
- #AAMI ES60601-1 (2005) Medical electrical equipment Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance
- UL 60601-1 (2003), +Revision (2006) 1st Edition 'Medical Electrical Equipment, Part 1: General Requirements for Safety'
- CAN/CSA C22.2 No 601.1-M90 (1990; Reaffirmed 2005) + Amendment 2 (2006), 'Medical Electrical Equipment, Part 1: General Requirements for Safety'
- #IEC 60601-1 (1998) 2nd Edition Medical Electrical Equipment Part 1: General Requirements for Safety + (Amd. 1-1991) (CENELEC EN 60601-1: 1990) + (Amd. 2-1995) (Corrigendum-1995)
- \*IEC 60601-1-1 (2000), 2nd Edition Medical Electrical Equipment, Part 1-1: General Requirements for Safety – Collateral Standard: Safety Requirements for Medical Electrical Equipment
- \*IEC 60601-1-4 (2000), Edition 1.1 Consolidated Edition, 'Medical Electrical Equipment Part 1-4: General Requirements for Safety - Collateral Standard: Programmable Electrical Medical Systems'
- IEC 60601-1-2:2007 Edition 3, Medical electrical equipment - Part 1-2: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance - Collateral standard: Electromagnetic compatibility - Requirements and tests
- IEC 60601-1-2 (2001), Medical Electrical Equipment, Part 1-2: General Requirements for Safety – Collateral Standard: Electromagnetic Compatibility – Requirements and Tests
- #IEC 60601-1-6 (2010) 3rd Edition Medical electrical equipment - Part 1-6: General requirements for safety — Collateral Standard: Usability
- \*IEC 60601-1-6 (2004) 'Medical electrical equipment — Part 1-6: General requirements for safety — Collateral standard: Usability'
- #IEC 60601-1-8 (2006) 2nd Edition Medical Electrical Equipment - PART 1-8: general requirements for basic Safety and essential performance - general requirements, Tests and guidance for alarm systems in medical electrical Equipment and medical electrical systems
- \*IEC 60601-1-8 (2003) 'Medical electrical equipment — Part 1-8: General requirements for safety — Collateral standard: General requirements, tests and guidance for alarm systems in medical electrical equipment and medical electrical systems'

## EQUIPMENT CLASSIFICATIONS

**Table 8.5 Equipment classifications**

Type of protection against electric shock	IEC 60601-1: Class I degree of protection: CF defibrillation-proof and internally powered. Relies not only on basic insulation against shock but also includes additional protection. Accomplished by providing means for connecting the equipment to the protective earth conductor of the fixed wiring of the installation in a way that prevents accessible metal parts from becoming live if basic insulation fails.
Degree of protection against electric shock for Automated Impella Controller	Class I Equipment
Mode of operation	Continuous
Degree of protection against explosion hazard	Not suitable for use in the presence of a flammable anesthetic mixture with air or with oxygen or nitrous oxide. Also not suitable for use in an oxygen-enriched atmosphere.
Degree of protection against harmful ingress of water	IEC 60529: IPX1 protected against dripping water.

## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION (FCC) NOTICE

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

1. This device may not cause harmful interference.
2. This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Changes or modifications not expressly approved by Abiomed, Inc. could void the user's authority to operate this device.

## ELECTROMAGNETIC COMPATIBILITY



Medical electrical equipment needs special precautions regarding EMC and needs to be installed and put into service according to the electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) information provided in this document.



Portable and mobile RF communications equipment can affect medical electrical equipment.



The equipment or system should not be used adjacent to or stacked with other equipment. If adjacent or stacked use is necessary, the equipment or system should be observed to verify normal operation in the configuration in which it will be used.



Use of cables, other than those sold by Abiomed, may result in increased emissions or decreased immunity of the Automated Impella Controller.



The Automated Impella Controller uses RFID (radio frequency identification) to identify and communicate with the purge cassette. Other equipment may interfere with the Automated Impella Controller even if that other equipment complies with CISPR emission requirements.



During transport, the Automated Impella Controller may be exposed to stronger electromagnetic disturbance than during in-hospital use. Strong electromagnetic disturbance may cause the Automated Impella Controller to display soft button menu selections that were not selected by the user. Operators should be aware that, under these conditions, the operating parameters are not affected. No user intervention is required. Monitor Impella RP Catheter flow and patient hemodynamics to confirm normal operation. The condition will resolve itself once the Automated Impella Controller is no longer exposed to the disturbance.

**NOTE:** The EMC tables and other guidelines that are included in this manual provide information to the customer or user that is essential in determining the suitability of the equipment or system for the electromagnetic environment of use, and in managing the electromagnetic environment of use permit the equipment or system to perform to its intended use without disturbing other equipment and systems or non-medical electrical equipment.

**Table 8.6 Guidance and manufacturer's declaration - emissions, all equipment and systems**

The Automated Impella Controller is intended for use in the electromagnetic environment specified below. The customer or user of the Automated Impella Controller should ensure that it is used in such an environment.

Emissions Test	Compliance	Electromagnetic Enforcement – Guidance
RF Emissions CISPR 11	Group 1 Class A	The Automated Impella Controller uses RF energy only for its internal function. Therefore, its RF emissions are very low and are not likely to cause any interference in nearby electronic equipment.
Harmonics IEC 61000-3-2	Class A	The Automated Impella Controller is suitable for use in all establishments other than domestic and those directly connected to the public low-voltage power supply network that supplies buildings used for domestic purposes.
Flicker IEC 61000-3-3	Complies	

**Table 8.7 Guidance and manufacturer's Declaration - Immunity**

The Automated Impella Controller is intended for use in the electromagnetic environment specified below. The customer or user of the Automated Impella Controller should ensure that it is used in such an environment.

<b>Immunity Test</b>	<b>IEC 60601 Test Level</b>	<b>Compliance Level</b>	<b>Electromagnetic Environment – Guidance</b>
Electrostatic Discharge (ESD) IEC 61000-4-2	±6 kV contact ±8 kV air	±8 kV contact ±15 kV air	Floors should be wood, concrete, or ceramic tile. If floors are synthetic, the relative humidity should be at least 30%.
Electrical Fast Transient/burst IEC 61000-4-4	±2 kV Mains ±1 kV for input/output lines	±2 kV Mains ±1 kV for input/output lines	Mains power quality should be that of a typical commercial or hospital environment.
Surge IEC 61000-4-5	±1 kV Differential ±2 kV Common	±1 kV Differential ±2 kV Common	Mains power quality should be that of a typical commercial or hospital environment.
Voltage dips, short interruptions and voltage variations on power supply input lines IEC 61000-4-11	> 95% dip for 0.5 cycle 60% dip for 5 cycles 30% dip for 25 cycles > 95% dip for 5 seconds	> 95% dip for 0.5 cycle 60% dip for 5 cycles 30% dip for 25 cycles > 95% dip for 5 seconds	Mains power quality should be that of a typical commercial or hospital environment. If the user of the Automated Impella Controller requires continued operation during power mains interruptions, it is recommended that the Automated Impella Controller be powered from an uninterruptible power supply or battery.
Power Frequency 50/60 Hz Magnetic Field IEC 61000-4-8	3 A/m	3 A/m	Power frequency magnetic fields should be that of a typical location in a typical commercial or hospital environment.

**Table 8.8 Guidance and manufacturer's declaration - emissions, equipment and systems that are life-supporting**

The Automated Impella Controller is intended for use in the electromagnetic environment specified below. The customer or user of the Automated Impella Controller should ensure that it is used in such an environment.

Immunity Test	IEC 60601 Test Level	Compliance Level	Electromagnetic Environment – Guidance
			Portable and mobile RF communications equipment should be separated from the Automated Impella Controller by no less than the recommended separation distances calculated/listed below:
Conducted RF IEC 61000-4-6	10 Vrms 150 kHz to 80 MHz	10 Vrms	$d = 0.35\sqrt{P}$
Radiated RF IEC 61000-4-3	10 V/m 80 MHz to 2.5 GHz	20 V/m	$d = 0.6\sqrt{P}$ 80 to 800 MHz  $d = 1.2\sqrt{P}$ 800 MHz to 2.5 GHz  Where P is the maximum power rating in watts and d is the recommended separation distance in meters.  Field strengths from fixed transmitters, as determined by an electromagnetic site survey <sup>(a)</sup> , should be less than the compliance level in each frequency range. <sup>(b)</sup>  Interference may occur in the vicinity of equipment marked with the following symbol:



NOTE 1: At 80 MHz and 800 MHz, the higher frequency range applies.

NOTE 2: These guidelines may not apply in all situations. Electromagnetic propagation is affected by absorption and reflection from structures, objects, and people.

<sup>(a)</sup> Field strengths from fixed transmitters, such as base stations for radio (cellular/cordless) telephones and land mobile radios, amateur radio, AM and FM radio broadcast and TV broadcast cannot be predicted theoretically with accuracy. To assess the electromagnetic environment due to fixed RF transmitters, an electromagnetic site survey should be considered. If the measured field strength in the location in which the Automated Impella Controller is used exceeds the applicable RF compliance level above, the Automated Impella Controller should be observed to verify normal operation. If abnormal performance is observed, additional measures may be necessary, such as re-orienting or relocating the Automated Impella Controller.

<sup>(b)</sup> Over the frequency range 150 kHz to 80 MHz, field strengths should be less than 10 V/m

**Table 8.9 Recommended separation distances between portable and mobile RF communications equipment and the Automated Impella Controller, equipment and systems that are life-supporting**

The Automated Impella Controller is intended for use in the electromagnetic environment in which radiated disturbances are controlled. The customer or user of the Automated Impella Controller can help prevent electromagnetic interference by maintaining a minimum distance between portable and mobile RF communications equipment and the Automated Impella Controller as recommended below, according to the maximum output power of the communications equipment.

Rated Maximum Output Output Power of Transmitter (Watts)	Recommended Separation Distances for the Automated Impella Controller (m)		
	150 KHz to 80 MHz $d = 0.35\sqrt{P}$	80 to 800 MHz $d = 0.6\sqrt{P}$	800 MHz to 2.5 GHz $d = 1.2\sqrt{P}$
0.01	0.04	0.06	0.12
0.1	0.11	0.19	0.38
1	0.35	0.6	1.2
10	1.11	1.9	3.8
100	3.5	6.0	12

For transmitters rated at a maximum output power not listed above, the recommended separation distance (d) in meters (m) can be determined using the equation applicable to the frequency of the transmitter, where P is the maximum output power rating of the transmitter in watts (W) according to the transmitter manufacturer.

NOTE 1: At 80 MHz and 800 MHz, the separation distance for the higher frequency range applies.

NOTE 2: These guidelines may not apply in all situations. Electromagnetic propagation is affected by absorption and reflection from structures, objects, and people.

**Table 8.10 RFID transmitter / receiver specifications**

RFID Transmitter / Receiver Specifications	
Frequency	13.56 MHz
Receiver bandwidth	14 kHz
Effective radiated power	30 nW
Modulation	ASK

## TRANSPORT BETWEEN HOSPITALS



During transport, the Automated Impella Controller may be exposed to stronger electromagnetic disturbance than during in-hospital use. Strong electromagnetic disturbance may cause the Automated Impella Controller to display soft button menu selections that were not selected by the user. Operators should be aware that, under these conditions, the operating parameters are not affected. No user intervention is required. Monitor Impella Catheter flow and patient hemodynamics to confirm normal operation. The condition will resolve itself once the Automated Impella Controller is no longer exposed to the disturbance.

### GUIDELINES FOR PATIENT TRANSPORT

Intra-hospital transport may be required if a patient requires additional resources and specialized teams located at another hospital. The patient may be transferred to such a location using the Automated Impella Controller for hospital-to-hospital transport via ambulance, helicopter, or fixed-wing aircraft.

Maintaining optimal patient hemodynamic status and correct Impella Catheter position are two key factors in managing patients supported with the Impella System during transport. Steps should be taken to eliminate or minimize any aspect of the transport that might adversely affect these factors.

The Automated Impella Controller is designed to operate for 60 minutes on battery power. Transport teams should take this into consideration when planning the transport. If the total transport time is expected to include more than 60 minutes during which the system will be disconnected from AC power, arrangements should be made to use a vehicle with a built-in DC to AC power inverter.

### IMPORTANT TRANSPORT CONSIDERATIONS

1. Planning is critical to success. Abiomed representatives can help with planning for transport. They can be contacted 24 hours a day at 1-800-422-8666.
2. The Automated Impella Controller should be fully charged prior to transport. Keep the Automated Impella Controller connected to AC power (or an AC inverter) whenever possible.
3. Do not stress the connector cable from the controller to the Impella Catheter. Such tension could move the catheter out of correct position and compromise patient circulatory support.
4. Carefully monitor purge pressures during changes in altitude.
5. The Automated Impella Controller should be positioned to allow easy access to the display screen and soft buttons to view alarms and make any necessary changes.
6. Maintain ACTs between 160 and 180 or at the level recommended by the physician responsible for the patient.

## FAA ADVISORY

The Automated Impella Controller has been subjected to, and passed, the EMC/EMI tests as specified in IEC 60601-1-2 (General requirements for safety—Collateral standard: Electromagnetic compatibility—Requirements and tests). The Automated Impella Controller does not, however, meet the requirements for conducted emissions of RTCA/DO-160G section 21.4 and has not been tested for radiated emissions per RTCA/DO-160G section 21.5. Abiomed recommends that air transport carriers follow the guidance FAA Advisory Circular AC No: 91-21.1B. Section 8-a of FAA Advisory Circular AC No: 91-21.1B states:

“Equipment tested and found to exceed the section 21, Category M, emission levels are required to be evaluated in the operator’s M-PED selected model aircraft for electromagnetic interference (EMI) and radio frequency interference (RFI). All navigation, communication, engine, and flight control systems will be operating in the selected aircraft during the evaluation.”

## TRANSPORT WITHIN THE HOSPITAL

Patients supported with the Impella System may require transport within the hospital.

Considerations for transport within the hospital:

- The Automated Impella Controller and Impella Catheter are designed to operate on battery power for at least 1 hour.
- Confirm that the battery capacity displayed on the controller is 100%.
- If transport time might be longer than 1 hour, bring an extension cord or confirm that you will be able to connect the controller to AC power once you arrive at your destination.
- When rolling the Automated Impella Controller cart across a threshold, firmly grasp the cart handle and pull it over the threshold.
- Pay close attention to all system components and connections when rolling the Automated Impella Controller cart over thresholds and through elevator doors.
- Do not stress the connector cable from the controller to the Impella Catheter.

## SLAVE MONITOR CONNECTION

If equipped with a VGA connector, the Automated Impella Controller can be connected to a monitor to display the information from the controller to another screen at a resolution of 800 x 600 pixels. The connection between the controller and the monitor can be made using a cable up to 20 feet in length.



## ALARM DELAY INFORMATION

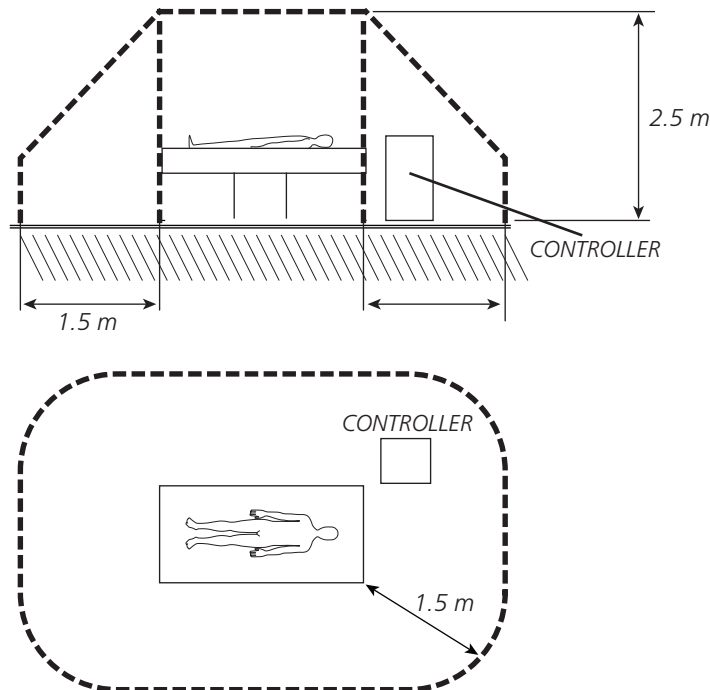
For some Automated Impella Controller alarms, there is a short delay between the triggered event and the audible annunciation and visual display of the alarm.

**Table 8.11 Alarm Delay Information**

<b>Impella Defective</b>	8 second delay
<b>Controller Error</b>	12±3 second delay
<b>Emergency Shutdown Imminent</b>	15±1 second delay
<b>Battery Failure</b>	28±8 second delay
<b>Controller Failure</b>	38±8 second delay
<b>Battery Comm. Failure</b>	40±10 second delay
<b>Purge System Blocked</b>	75±45 second delay

## PATIENT ENVIRONMENT

The Automated Impella Controller and the components of the Impella RP System are approved for use within the patient environment defined in IEC 60601-1: 3rd edition and in the figure below.



**Figure 8.1 Automated Impella Controller Patient Environment**

## WHITE CONNECTOR CABLE

<b>Length</b>	2.5 m
<b>Service life</b>	Single use only

## IMPELLA RP CATHETER PARAMETERS

**Table 8.12 Impella Catheter Parameters**

<b>Speed range</b>	0 to 33,000 rpm
<b>Power consumption</b>	Less than 23 W
<b>Voltage</b>	Max. 20 V DC
<b>Flow-Maximum</b>	4.0 L/min
<b>Purging the Impella RP Catheter</b>	
Recommended purge fluid	5% dextrose solution with heparin concentration of 50 IU per mL
Dextrose concentration	5% to 40%
Purge pressure	300 to 1100 mmHg
Purge flow	2 to 30 mL/hr
<b>Maximum duration of use</b>	
US	Up to 14 days
<b>Dimensions of Impella RP Catheter</b>	
Length of invasive portion (without catheter)	Approx 238 mm
Diameter	Max. 7.6 mm
<b>Classification per DIN EN 60601-1</b>	Protection class I, degree of protection: CF (Automated Impella Controller and Impella RP Catheter)
<b>Classification per directive 93/42/EEC</b>	Class III
<b>Latex content</b>	Not made with natural rubber latex

### Latex

*The Automated Impella Controller and Impella RP Catheter, including all accessories, are not made with natural rubber latex.*

### **Alcohol Warning**

*Do NOT clean the Impella Catheter infusion filter or pressure reservoir with alcohol and AVOID exposing these components to products containing alcohol.*

## **CLEANING**

- Clean the Automated Impella Controller keypad and display with either 70% isopropyl alcohol or soap and water. (NOTE: Be aware that soft buttons may be activated when you spray or wipe the display.)
- Clean the Automated Impella Controller housing with mild detergent.
- Do not allow any fluids to enter the connector sockets.
- Clean the connector cable with 70% isopropyl alcohol.

### **Storing the Controller**

*To keep the Automated Impella Controller battery charged, the controller should be plugged into an AC outlet. When plugged into an AC outlet, the controller battery will charge whether the controller is on or off.*



The Li-Ion batteries must be charged for 5 hours prior to system operation in order to meet the runtime requirement of 1 hour. Failure to do so will yield a shorter runtime. After being unplugged, the Automated Impella Controller will operate for at least 60 minutes after the batteries have been fully charged.

- Place the Automated Impella Controller on a horizontal surface to prevent falling.
- Connect the AC power cord to an AC outlet.
- The battery may be destroyed if the Automated Impella Controller is stored with a depleted battery.

## **RETURNING AN IMPELLA RP CATHETER TO ABIOMED (UNITED STATES)**

To return an Impella RP Catheter to Abiomed, contact your local Clinical Consultant for an Abiomed-approved return kit.\* The kit includes instructions for returning the Impella RP Catheter to Abiomed.

*\* Only available in the United States*



APPENDIX A: AUTOMATED IMPELLA CONTROLLER MENU STRUCTURE ... A.1

Overview .....A.1

MUTE ALARM .....A.1

FLOW CONTROL.....A.1

DISPLAY ..... A.2

PURGE SYSTEM ..... A.2

MENU ..... A.3

## APPENDIX A: AUTOMATED IMPELLA® CONTROLLER MENU STRUCTURE

### OVERVIEW

The soft buttons on the Automated Impella Controller provide access to the controller menu structure. The menu structure has 6 main elements:

- **MUTE ALARM**
- **FLOW CONTROL**
- **DISPLAY**
- **PURGE SYSTEM**
- **MENU**

This Appendix provides an overview of the Automated Impella Controller menu structure. Many of the functions accessed through this menu structure are also discussed elsewhere in this manual.

### MUTE ALARM

The **MUTE ALARM** soft button mutes (silences) active alarms. It does not open another menu.

When you press **MUTE ALARM**, a bell icon with an X through it replaces the words "MUTE ALARM" in the upper right of the display screen. If no alarms are active, no bell icon is displayed. When you press **MUTE ALARM** it acknowledges all active alarms and silences the audible alarm indicator for 2 minutes (for red or yellow alarms) or 5 minutes (for white alarms). (Refer to section 7 of this manual for more information about Automated Impella Controller Alarms.)

### FLOW CONTROL

The **FLOW CONTROL** soft button opens the performance level icon enabling you to select the desired performance level. The procedure for setting performance level is described in "Positioning and Starting the Impella RP Catheter" in section 5.

## DISPLAY

The **DISPLAY** soft button opens a menu that includes the following options for viewing waveforms and navigating to other screen displays:

- **Y-axis Scale**—opens a menu from which you can select a waveform and change its appearance by adjusting the scale of the y-axis.

Once the waveform is selected, turn the selector knob clockwise to increase the y-axis scale and counterclockwise to decrease the y-axis scale.

Select **OK** to accept the new y-axis scale.

Select **Restore** to return to the default y-axis scale.

Select **Initial** to set the y-axis to the previously set scale.

Select **Center Signal** to center the waveform.

Select **Cancel** to exit the tool.
- **Time Scale**—allows you to apply different time scales to the currently displayed waveforms.
- **Center**—automatically centers the motor current waveform and adjusts the range accordingly.
- **Infusion**—opens the infusion history screen. The infusion history screen, which is discussed in section 4 of this manual, shows the volume and the amount of heparin and dextrose delivered. The top entry in the table shows the volume and amount of heparin and dextrose infused from the top of the hour through the current time.
- **Purge**—displays the purge system waveforms and pressure and flow values.
- **Placement**—opens the placement signal/motor current screen (described in section 4 under “Placement Screen”).
- **Display Speed Pulse**— allows you to see the speed pulses in the motor current.

## PURGE SYSTEM

The **PURGE SYSTEM** soft button opens a menu that includes the following purge system procedure options:

- **Change Purge Fluid**—starts the procedure to change the purge fluid
- **Change Purge Cassette**—starts the procedure to replace the purge cassette
- **Change Purge System**—starts the procedure to change both the purge fluid and purge cassette
- **De-air Purge System**—starts the de-air procedure

These procedures are described in section 5 of this manual.

## MENU

The **MENU** soft button opens a menu of options related to controller settings, alarm history, repositioning, offset adjustment, and starting a procedure. The menu includes the following options:

- **Settings / Service**

### Service

**System Information.** Opens the System Information table. This provides information about the software version, IP addresses, current type of Impella Catheter, and current catheter runtime.

**Set Date/Time.** Displays the menu for changing the date and time

**Service Timers.** Displays the Service Timers menu. Console operating time and purge motor operating time are displayed in hours.

**Screen Brightness.** Opens the Screen Brightness selection box. The brightness of the screen display can be set from 50% to 100%. Select **OK** to confirm selection. Select **Cancel** to cancel selection.

**Language.** Opens the Language selection box. Use the selector knob to select German, English, French, Italian, Spanish, or Dutch. The system will immediately change the language on the controller for all displayed text. This language will be used after system restart unless another language is selected.

### Disable (Enable) Retrograde Flow Control.

**Disable (Enable) Audio—Placement Signal not Reliable.** Allows you to enable or disable audio for the Impella Placement Signal not Reliable alarm. This selection is available only if an Impella Placement Signal not Reliable alarm is active or the audio has been disabled for this alarm.

**Disable (Enable) Audio—Purge Pressure High / System Blocked.** Allows you to enable or disable audio for the Purge Pressure High or Purge System Blocked alarms. This selection is only available if one of these two alarms is active or the audio has been disabled for one of these alarms.

**Disable (Enable) Audio - Suction.** Allows you to enable or disable audio for Suction alarms. This selection is available only if a Suction alarm is active or the audio has been disabled for this alarm.

**Enable (Disable) Purge Flow Change Notifications.** Allows you to enable or disable the purge flow notification white alarms ("Purge Flow Increased" and "Purge Flow Decreased").

**Enable (Disable) Surgical Mode.** Allows you to enable or disable Surgical Mode. If Surgical Mode is enabled, the "Impella Stopped" alarm is silenced at P-0.

- **Alarm History**—opens the Alarm History table. This provides a visual display of the chronology of stored alarm messages. The most recently occurring alarm message is displayed at the top of the list. For each message, the date and time it occurred and the alarm message heading is displayed. You can use the selector knob to select individual alarm messages and an explanation for the selected alarm message will be displayed in the failure description box. Press **EXIT** to exit the alarm history analysis.
- **Start Data Snapshot**—starts the timed data recording function to save real-time operating data for later analysis.
- **Start Manual Zero**—opens the procedure for manually zeroing the differential pressure sensor.
- **Case Start**—begins the case procedure. Case Start is described in section 5 of this manual under "Case Start."



---

# INDEX

## Index

### A

#### Abbreviations, 8.1

#### Adverse events (potential), 1.2

#### Alarms

- Advisory (white) alarms
  - Description, 7.1
  - Messages, actions, and causes, 7.3

#### Alarm delay information, 8.12

#### Alarm display, 7.2

#### Alarm history screen, 7.2, A.4

#### Alarm levels,

#### Alarm messages, 7.3

#### Alarm window, 4.5

(figure), 7.2

#### Critical (red) alarms

Description, 7.1

Messages, actions, and causes, 7.3

#### Handling alarms, 7.3

#### High purge pressure, 5.19

#### Low purge pressure, 5.18

#### Mute alarm function, 7.2

#### Mute alarm indicator, 4.6

(figure), 7.2

#### Overview,

#### Purge flow low, 5.19

#### Serious (yellow) alarms

Description, 7.1

Messages, actions, and causes, 7.3

#### Anchoring ring (See Catheter: Catheter components:

Repositioning unit)

#### Anticontamination sleeve (See Catheter: Catheter components: Repositioning unit)

#### Automated Impella Controller (See Controller)

### B

#### Battery switch, 4.1

### C

#### Catheter

##### Catheter components

##### Blue Impella plug, 3.4

(figure), 3.3

Memory, 3.4

##### Cannula, 3.3

(figure), 3.3

##### Catheter shaft, 3.4

(figure), 3.3

##### Check valve, 3.4

(figure), 3.3

##### Clear sidearm, 3.4

(figure), 3.3

##### Differential pressure sensor, 3.3

(figure), 3.3

##### Infusion filter, 3.4

(figure), 3.3

##### Inlet area, 3.4

(figure), 3.3

##### Motor housing, 3.4

(figure), 3.3

##### Outlet area, 3.3

(figure), 3.3

##### Pigtail, 3.3

(figure), 3.3

##### Pressure reservoir, 3.4

(figure), 3.3

##### Repositioning unit, 3.4

(figure), 3.3

##### Catheter shaft

Differential pressure measurement cable, 3.4

Electrical cable, 3.4

Purge lumen, 3.4

##### Description, 3.3

(figure), 3.3

##### Differential pressure sensor, 3.4

Parameters, 8.13

##### Returning an Impella 5.0 Catheter to Abiomed (US), 8.14

##### Using the catheter

Inserting the catheter, 5.10

Positioning and starting the catheter, 5.11

(figure), 5.12

Preparing the catheter, 5.10

(figure), 5.6

#### Catheter operation icon, 4.7

#### Catheter serial number

Definition, 4.5

(figure), 4.5

#### Cautions, 2.3

#### Connector cable

Connecting the connector cable, 5.6

(figure), 5.6

Description, 3.8

(figure), 3.8

Specifications, 8.13

#### Contraindications, 1.1

#### Controller

AC fuses, 4.4

(figure), 4.3

AC plug, 4.4

(figure), 4.3

Alarm history screen, 7.2

Alarms,

Battery power, 3.5, 4.11

Battery switch, 4.1

Bed mount, 4.4

(figure), 4.3

Catheter plug, 4.2

(figure), 4.1

Description, 3.5, 4.1

(figure), 3.2, 3.5, 4.1, 4.3

Display options, 4.2

Display screen

Alarm window, 4.5

Catheter serial number, 4.5

Central display area, 4.7

Description, 4.2

(figure), 4.1, 4.3

Flow area, 4.7

Mute alarm indicator, 4.6

Purge system area, 4.7

Soft buttons, 4.6

System date and time, 4.5

System power area, 4.6

Equipotential ground stud, 4.4

(figure), 4.3

Ethernet jack, 4.4

(figure), 4.3

Home screen

(figure), 4.5

Infusion history screen

Description, 4.10

(figure), 4.11

Menu structure overview, A.1

Mobile operation, 4.11

Motor current screen, 4.9

(figure), 4.8

Placement screen

Description, 4.8

(figure), 4.8

Motor current waveform, 4.9

(figure), 4.8

Placement signal waveform, 4.8

(figure), 4.8

Placement signal screen

Confirming placement of Impella 5.0 Catheter

(figure), 5.12

Power indicator, 4.2

(figure), 4.1

Power switch, 4.4

(figure), 4.3

Purge cassette door, 4.2

(figure), 4.1

Purge cassette release button, 4.4

(figure), 4.3

Purge screen

Description, 4.9

(figure), 4.9

Purge flow, 4.10

Purge pressure, 4.10

RS-232 service jack

(figure), 4.3

Selector knob, 4.2

(figure), 4.1

Slave monitor connection, 4.2

Soft buttons

BACK, 4.6

Description, 4.2, 4.6

(figure), 4.1, 4.5

DISPLAY, 4.6

Center, A.2

Infusion, A.2

Placement, A.2

Purge, A.2

Time scale, A.2

Y-axis scale, A.2

EXIT, 4.6

Exit repositioning guide, 4.6

MENU, 4.6

Alarm history, A.4

Case start, A.4

Disable/Enable Audio-Impella Sensor Failure, A.3

Disable/Enable Audio-Purge Flow Low/System Blocked, A.3

Disable/Enable placement monitoring, A.3

Disable/Enable reverse flow control, A.3

Language, A.3

Screen brightness, A.3

Service timers, A.3

Set date/time, A.3

Settings/Service, A.3

Start offset adjustment, A.4

System information, A.3

Timed data recording, A.4

MUTE ALARM, 4.6

NEXT, 4.6

P-LEVEL, 4.6

PURGE SYSTEM, 4.6

Change purge cassette, A.2

Change purge fluid, A.2

---

# INDEX

- Change purge system, A.2
  - De-air purge system, A.2
  - Specifications
    - Electrical, 8.3
    - Electromagnetic compatibility, 8.6
      - RFID transmitter / Receiver specifications, 8.9
    - Equipment classification, 8.5
    - Equipment design, 8.4
    - Mechanical, 8.3
    - Patient environment, 8.12
      - (figure), 8.12
  - Startup screen, 5.3
    - (figure), 5.3
  - Storage, 8.14
  - USB connector, 4.4
    - (figure), 4.3
  - VGA/RS-232 jack, 4.4
- Controller cart, 3.9**  
(figure), 3.9
- D**
- Dextrose solution**  
Description, 3.9
  - (figure), 3.2, 3.9Heparin, 3.9
- Infusion history, 4.10
- Purge fluid recommendation, 8.13
- Purge solution bottles, 5.5, 5.16
- Setting dextrose concentration, 5.8
- Diagnostic catheters**  
AL1, 5.1
- Multipurpose (MP), 5.1
- Pigtail, 5.1
- Differential pressure sensor** (See Catheter: Differential pressure sensor)
- F**
- Fluoroscopy**  
Use in Impella 5.0 Catheter placement, 5.11
- G**
- Glucose solution, 8.1** (See also Dextrose solution)
- Guidewires**  
0.025 inch, 260 cm placement guidewire
  - (figure), 3.8
- H**
- Heparin**  
Infusion history, 4.10
- Purge fluid recommendation, 8.13
- Setting heparin concentration, 5.8
- Home screen** (See Controller: Home screen)
- I**
- Impella RPCatheter** (See Catheter)
- Impella RP System**  
Abbreviations, 8.1
- Accessories, 3.8
- Cleaning, 8.14
  - Cleaning the connector cable, 8.14
  - Cleaning the controller, 8.14
- Components (See also Catheter; See also Controller; See also Purge cassette)
  - (figure), 3.2
- Controller menu structure, A.1
- Overview, 3.1
  - (figure), 3.1, 3.2, 3.5
- Pre-support evaluation, 5.1
- Removing the Impella 5.0 Catheter, 5.20
- Returning an Impella 5.0 Catheter to Abiomed (United States), 8.14
- Reusable components, 3.2
- Single-use components, 3.2
- Storage, 8.14
- Symbols, 8.1
- System configuration, 3.2
  - (figure), 5.10
- Terminology, 8.1
- Using the system (See also index entries for individual system components)  
Case start, 5.4
  - (figure), 5.4
- Change purge cassette, 5.17
- Change purge fluid, 5.16
- Change purge system, 5.15
- Connecting the connector cable, 5.6
  - (figure), 5.6
- Connecting the luer, 5.7
- De-air the purge system, 5.17
- Entering purge fluid data, 5.7
  - (figure), 5.8, 5.9
- Inserting the catheter, 5.10
- Inserting the purge cassette, 5.5
  - (figure), 5.5
- Positioning and starting the catheter, 5.11
  - (figure), 5.12
- Preparing the catheter
  - (figure), 5.6
- Priming the purge cassette
  - (figure), 5.4
- Purge system troubleshooting, 5.18
- Securing the purge tubing, 5.9
- Selecting performance level, 5.14
- Startup, 5.1
  - Startup screen, 5.3
- Supplies needed, 5.1
- Turning on the Automated Impella Controller, 5.2
- Warranty (See Warranty)
- Weaning, 5.20
- Impella Controller** (See Controller)
- Impella Controller cart** (See Controller cart)
- Indications, 1.1**
- Infusion history screen** (See Controller: Infusion history screen)
- L**
- Language, A.3**
- M**
- Maintenance and repair** (See Impella 5.0 System: Maintenance and repair)
- Motor housing** (See Catheter: Catheter components: Motor housing)
- P**
- Patient management**  
Infusion history, 4.10
  - (figure), 4.11
- Transport between hospitals, 8.10
- Transport within the hospital, 8.11
- Performance level**  
Flow rates, 5.14
- Power**  
Power switch
  - (figure), 5.2
- System power area of display screen, 4.6
- Pump**  
Definition, 8.1
- Pump housing** (See Catheter: Catheter components: Motor housing)
- Purge cassette**  
Components
  - Purge cassette, 3.7
    - (figure), 3.6
  - Purge fluid spike, 3.7
    - (figure), 3.6
  - Purge pressure transmitter, 3.7, 4.2
    - (figure), 3.6, 4.1
  - Purge tubing, 3.7
    - (figure), 3.6
  - Supply line, 3.7
    - (figure), 3.6
  - Y connector, 3.7 (See also Y connector)
    - (figure), 3.6
  - Yellow luer connector, 3.7
    - (figure), 3.6
- Description, 3.6, 4.2
  - (figure), 3.6, 4.1
- Priming the purge cassette
  - (figure), 5.4
- Purge cassette procedures, 5.15
- Purge fluid**  
Entering purge fluid information
  - (figure), 5.8, 5.9
- Purge lumen**  
Priming the purge lumen, 5.7
- Purge pressure**  
Definition, 8.1
- Purge system**  
Connecting purge tubing to connector cable
  - (figure), 5.9
- Purge cassette procedures, 5.15
- Purge flow display
  - Description, 4.10
    - (figure), 4.9
- Purge pressure display
  - Description, 4.10
    - (figure), 4.9
- Purge system area on display screen, 4.7
- Troubleshooting, 5.18
  - High purge pressure, 5.19
  - Low purge pressure, 5.18
  - Purge system blocked, 5.19
  - Purge system open, 5.18
- R**
- Retrograde flow, 5.14**  
Definition, 8.1
- Returning an Impella 5.0 Catheter to Abiomed (United States), 8.14**
- S**
- Screen brightness, A.3**
- Selector knob function, 4.1**
- Startup screen** (See Controller: Startup screen)
- Symbols, 8.1**
- System information, A.3**
- T**
- Target flow**  
Selecting target flow, 5.12
- Terminology and abbreviations, 8.1**
- Transesophageal echocardiography (TEE)** (See Echocardiography)
- Transthoracic echocardiography (TTE)** (See Echocardiography)
-

---

## INDEX

### W

Warnings, 2.1

White connector cable (See Connector cable)

### Y

Y connector (See also Purge cassette: Components)

Disconnecting and discarding the Y connector, 5.5,  
3.6, 5.7

(figure), 3.2

### Z

Zeroing differential pressure sensor (See Impella 5.0

System: Using the system: Zeroing the differential  
pressure sensor)

---



Clinical support 24 hours per day, 7 days a week:

**1-800-422-8666 (US)**

**+49 (0) 1805 2246633 (EU)**

[www.abiomed.com](http://www.abiomed.com)

**Abiomed, Inc.**  
22 Cherry Hill Drive  
Danvers, Massachusetts 01923 USA  
Voice: 978-777-5410  
Facsimile: 978-777-8411  
Email: [clinical@abiomed.com](mailto:clinical@abiomed.com)

**Abiomed Europe GmbH**  
Neuenhofer Weg 3  
52074 Aachen, Germany  
Voice: +49 (241) 8860-0  
Facsimile: +49 (241) 8860-111  
Email: [europe@abiomed.com](mailto:europe@abiomed.com)