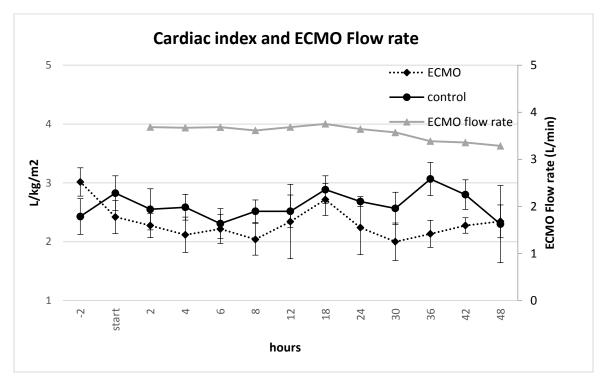
## **Appendix**

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**Suppl. Figure 1**. Mean (SEM) cardiac index levels during the initial 48 hours on ECMO (dotted line) or since hyperlactatemia in controls (solid line). Mean flow rate of ECMO during the initial 48 hours of observation (grey line).