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ARTICLES OF INTEREST – November 2020

[Methadone interrupts neural growth and function in human cortical organoids](#)

Lillie J, Boot L, Speggin S, et al. *Pediatr Crit Care Med*.

Using a human 3D-brain cortical organoid (hCO) model, the authors investigated the effect of methadone on neuronal growth, neural network activity, and synaptic transmission. They found that methadone dose-dependently halted the growth of hCOs, suppressed firing of spontaneous action potentials, and decreased the frequency and amplitude of excitatory postsynaptic currents in neurons. These findings indicate that methadone interrupts neural growth and function in early brain development.

[Individualized versus standard diet fortification for growth and development in preterm infants receiving human milk](#)

Fabrizio V, Trzaski JM, Brownell EA, et al. *Cochrane Database Syst Rev*.

To determine whether individualizing fortification of breast milk reduces mortality and morbidity and promotes growth and development compared to standard fortification in preterm infants, the authors analyzed data from 7 RCTs. They found moderate- to low-certainty evidence suggesting that individualized fortification in VLBWs increases growth velocity of weight, length, and head circumference during the intervention period compared with standard non-individualized fortification.

[Randomised trial of azithromycin to eradicate Ureaplasma in preterm infants](#)

Viscardi RM, Terrin ML, Magder LS, et al. *Arch Dis Child Fetal Neonatal Ed*.

This was a prospective, phase II b randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial, in 7 level III–IV US, academic NICU's, evaluating the efficacy of IV Azithromycin (D5W as placebo) in eradicating Ureaplasma from the respiratory tract in infants 24⁰–28⁶ weeks' gestation. The primary outcome measured was Ureaplasma-free survival. Secondary outcomes were all-cause mortality, Ureaplasma clearance, physiological BPD at 36 weeks' postmenstrual age, comorbidities of prematurity and duration of respiratory support. In 121 infants randomized (azithromycin: n=60; placebo: n=61), 44 (36%) were Ureaplasma positive (azithromycin: n=19; placebo: n=25). Ureaplasma-free survival was 92% for azithromycin and 61% for placebo. Mortality was similar among two treatment groups. In a subgroup analysis, physiological BPD-free survival was 5/10 (50%) in azithromycin-assigned infants with lower respiratory tract Ureaplasma colonization versus 2/11 (18%) in placebo-treated infants. Perinatal mortality and prolonged respiratory support were concentrated in ELGANs who had Ureaplasma in the lower respiratory tract. The authors concluded that results of this trial demonstrated the efficacy of azithromycin treatment in eradicating Ureaplasma in ELGAN, but phase III clinical trials are needed to determine clinical benefits.

[Earlier re-initiation of enteral feeding after necrotizing enterocolitis decreases recurrence or stricture: a systematic review and meta-analysis](#)

Patel EU, Wilson DA, Brennan EA, et al. *J Perinatol*.

In this systematic review and meta-analysis, the authors evaluated earlier vs later re-initiation of feeds after NEC on the incidence of recurrent NEC, post-NEC stricture or both, as a composite outcome. Three studies, none being randomized trials, met criteria for inclusion, totaling 79 infants in the earlier refeeding group (<5-7 d/median 4d) and 119 in later refeeding group (≥5-7d/median 10d). In a pooled analysis, earlier re-initiation reduced the incidence of the composite outcome of recurrent NEC and/or post-NEC stricture, without any difference in the individual outcomes of stricture or recurrence. The authors concluded that earlier enteral refeeding after NEC did not result in any increased negative outcomes, and in fact resulted in a significantly lower risk for the combined outcome of recurrent NEC and/or post-NEC stricture suggesting that it is safe and may be preferable to start enteral feeds <7 days after a NEC diagnosis.

[Exome sequencing for prenatal diagnosis in nonimmune hydrops fetalis](#)

Sparks TN, Lianoglou BR, Adami RA, et al. *N Engl J Med*.

Nonimmune hydrops fetalis (NIHF), a fetal abnormality that is often lethal, has numerous genetic causes; the extent to which exome sequencing can aid in its diagnosis is unclear. The authors evaluated a series of 127 consecutive unexplained cases of NIHF that were defined by the presence of fetal ascites, pleural or pericardial effusions, skin edema, cystic hygroma, increased nuchal translucency, or a combination of these conditions. The primary outcome was the diagnostic yield of exome sequencing for detecting genetic variants that were classified as either pathogenic or likely pathogenic according to the criteria of the American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics. In this large case series of 127 fetuses with unexplained NIHF, the authors identified a diagnostic genetic variant in approximately one third of the cases.

[Randomized controlled early versus late ventricular intervention study in posthemorrhagic ventricular dilatation: outcome at 2 years](#)

Cizmeci MN, Groenendaal F, Liem KD, et al. *J Pediatr*.

The Early vs Late Ventricular Intervention Study (ELVIS) trial randomized preterm infants with Grade 3 IVH to post-hemorrhagic hydrocephalus treatment at two different thresholds for intervention. Treatment began with serial lumbar punctures followed by use of a subcutaneous ventricular reservoir and, later, a VP shunt. This study reports on 2-year neurodevelopmental outcomes of 113 ELVIS patients. Adverse outcome was seen in 35% of the low-threshold group vs. 51% of the high-threshold group ($p=0.07$). In the adjusted model, low-threshold intervention was associated with a decreased risk of adverse outcome (aOR, 0.24; 95% CI, 0.07-0.87). In the low-threshold group, VP shunt placement was not associated with impaired neurodevelopmental outcome. In the high-threshold group, however, VP shunt placement was associated with lower cognitive scores and lower motor scores ($P<0.05$). The authors conclude that earlier intervention for post-hemorrhagic hydrocephalus is associated with lower odds of death or severe neurodevelopmental disability.

[Mechanical ventilation duration, brainstem development, and neurodevelopment in children born preterm: a prospective cohort study](#)

Guillot M, Guo T, Ufkes S, et al. *J Pediatr*.

Part of a larger prospective cohort study, 144 neonates born between 24 and 30 weeks were studied over a 7-year period. Clinical data from each NICU admission were collected. MRI was obtained at 32 weeks and at term that included regional brainstem volumes automatically segmented and white matter assessment with diffusion tensor imaging and tract-based spatial statistics (TBSS). Neurodevelopmental outcomes were assessed at 4.5 years. Each additional day of invasive mechanical ventilation correlated with lower motor developmental scores, but not lower cognitive scores. Duration of mechanical ventilation was also associated with smaller brainstem volume and defects in white matter development. Although the mechanism is unclear, the authors conclude that in very preterm infants prolonged invasive mechanical ventilation is associated with impaired brainstem development, impaired white matter development, and impaired motor development.

[Aerosolized calfactant for newborns with respiratory distress: a randomized trial](#)

Cummings JJ, Gerday E, Minton S, et al. *Pediatrics*.

This is a prospective, multicenter, randomized, unblinded comparison trial of aerosolized calfactant (Infasurf) compared to usual care, in newborns with signs of RDS that required noninvasive respiratory support. Up to 3 doses of nebulized calfactant (6ml/kg) were given orally using a Solarys nebulizer with a modified pacifier adapter. The study included 457 infants from 22 NICUs (GA 23-41; median 33wks, and birth weight 595 to 4802g; median 1960g), with 230 infants in the aerosol group. Intubation and surfactant instillation decreased from 50% in the usual care group to 26% in the aerosol group, showing a significant reduction ($P < .0001$). Respiratory outcomes up to 28 days of age were not different.

[Characteristics of newborns born to SARS-CoV-2-positive mothers: a retrospective cohort study](#)

Farghaly MAA, Kupferman F, Castillo F, et al. *Am J Perinatol*.

This is a single-center retrospective cohort study comparing the characteristics of newborns born to SARS-CoV-2-positive women with those mothers who tested negative from March to May 2020. Of the 79 mothers tested, 15(18.98%) were positive for SARS-CoV-2. Significant associations were noted with presence of symptoms, skin-to-skin contact ($p < 0.001$) and isolation ($p < 0.001$). Only one newborn tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 and was unstable in the NICU. Infant of SARS-CoV-2 positive mothers were three times as likely to have desaturations, four times more likely to have poor feeding, and more likely to be symptomatic at 2 week follow up, compared to newborns from negative mothers.

[Successful use of an artificial placenta-based life support system to treat extremely preterm ovine fetuses compromised by intrauterine inflammation](#)

Usuda H, Watanabe S, Saito M, et al. *Am J Obstet Gynecol*.

Authors report on the challenges faced in using artificial placenta based systems in extremely preterm lambs (approx. 24 weeks), after having been exposed to intrauterine inflammation using E.Coli LPS injections. Refractory hypotension, white matter injury and growth restriction were observed and are key challenges that need to be overcome in the development of artificial placenta based systems for the extremely preterm infants.

OTHER NOTEWORTHY PUBLICATIONS – November, 2020

COVID-19

Are clinical outcomes worse for pregnant women at ≥ 20 weeks' gestation infected with coronavirus disease 2019? A multicenter case-control study with propensity score matching

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/32730899>

Use of remdesivir for pregnant patients with severe novel coronavirus disease 2019

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/32771381>

Delaying pregnancy during a public health crisis — examining public health recommendations for Covid-19 and beyond

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/32997931>

Marketing of breastmilk substitutes during the COVID-19 pandemic

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33038948>

Association of SARS-CoV-2 test status and pregnancy outcomes

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/32965467>

COVID-19 poses pregnancy risks

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33170250>

Presence and duration of symptoms in febrile infants with and without SARS-CoV-2 infection

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33075219>

Fetal transient skin edema in two pregnant women with coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/32649505>

Obstetrical unit response to the COVID-19 pandemic: OUR study

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/32892329>

Characteristics of newborns born to SARS-CoV-2-positive mothers: a retrospective cohort study (PDF)

<https://www.thieme-connect.com/products/ejournals/pdf/10.1055/s-0040-1715862.pdf>

Clinical analysis of neonates born to mothers with or without COVID-19: a retrospective analysis of 48 cases from two neonatal intensive care units in Hubei province (PDF)

<https://www.thieme-connect.com/products/ejournals/pdf/10.1055/s-0040-1716505.pdf>

Breastfeeding in COVID-19: a pragmatic approach (PDF)

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7645812/pdf/10-1055-s-0040-1716506.pdf>

COVID-19: minimising contaminated aerosol spreading during CPAP treatment (PDF)

<https://fn.bmj.com/content/fetalneonatal/105/6/669.full.pdf>

Pediatrics

State and local government expenditures and infant mortality in the United States

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33077541>

Infant mortality in rural and nonrural counties in the United States

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33077539>

Breastfeeding and infections in early childhood: a cohort study

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33097658>

Long-term outcomes of individuals with metabolic diseases identified through newborn screening

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33051224>

Preoperative blood transfusions and morbidity in neonates undergoing surgery

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33087550>

Aerosolized calfactant for newborns with respiratory distress: a randomized trial

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33060258>

State-level public insurance coverage and neonatal circumcision rates

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33055226>

Population based birth prevalence of disease-specific perinatal stroke

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33115795>

AAP: Neonatal opioid withdrawal syndrome

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33106341>

AAP: Evaluation and management of the infant exposed to HIV in the United States

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33077537>

AAP: Routine neuroimaging of the preterm brain

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33106343>

Research briefs: COVID-19 and newborn care: April 2020

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/32848026>

Guidelines on deferred cord clamping and cord milking: a systematic review

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33087551>

State of the art review article: Patent ductus arteriosus of the preterm infant

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33093140>

A quality improvement initiative to optimize antibiotic use in a level 4 NICU

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33055227>

Journal of Pediatrics

The continuing problem of post-hemorrhagic ventricular dilation in infants born prematurely (PDF)

[https://www.jpeds.com/article/S0022-3476\(20\)31152-5/pdf](https://www.jpeds.com/article/S0022-3476(20)31152-5/pdf)

Preemie brains don't like mechanical ventilation! (PDF)

[https://www.jpeds.com/article/S0022-3476\(20\)30705-8/pdf](https://www.jpeds.com/article/S0022-3476(20)30705-8/pdf)

Is rapid exome sequencing standard of care in the neonatal and pediatric intensive care units? (PDF)

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Management of post-hemorrhagic ventricular dilatation in the infant born preterm

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Randomized controlled early versus late ventricular intervention study in posthemorrhagic ventricular dilatation: outcome at 2 years

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Outcomes following post-hemorrhagic ventricular dilatation among infants of extremely low gestational age

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Plasma and cerebrospinal fluid candidate biomarkers of neonatal encephalopathy severity and neurodevelopmental outcomes

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Cost-utility analysis of prophylactic dextrose gel vs standard care for neonatal hypoglycemia in at-risk infants

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Mechanical ventilation duration, brainstem development, and neurodevelopment in children born preterm: a prospective cohort study

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Hospital care cost and resource use of early discharge of healthy late preterm and term singletons: a population-based cohort study and cost analysis

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/32610167>

Epidemiology of birth defects in very low birth weight infants in Japan

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/32634406>

Family rooms in neonatal intensive care units and neonatal outcomes: an international survey and linked cohort study

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/32525041>

Oxygenation instability assessed by oxygen saturation histograms during supine vs prone position in very low birthweight infants receiving noninvasive respiratory support

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/32615194>

A randomized trial of parenteral nutrition using a mixed lipid emulsion containing fish oil in infants of extremely low birth weight: neurodevelopmental outcome at 12 and 24 months corrected age, a secondary outcome analysis

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/32590001>

Utility of neonatal ophthalmologic examination for detection of infectious etiologies for symmetric intrauterine growth restriction

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/32629012>

Heme catabolism and bilirubin production in readmitted jaundiced newborns

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/32526232>

Death after birth asphyxia in the cooling era

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Neighborhood inequality and emergency department use in neonatal intensive care unit graduates

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Association of early antibiotic exposure and necrotizing enterocolitis: causality or confounding bias? (PDF)

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Risk of bias in study on early antibiotics and necrotizing enterocolitis (PDF)

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Pediatric Research

Cyclic AMP in human preterm infant blood is associated with increased TLR-mediated production of acute-phase and anti-inflammatory cytokines in vitro

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Dose of budesonide with surfactant affects lung and systemic inflammation after normal and injurious ventilation in preterm lambs

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Serial assessment of fat and fat-free mass accretion in very preterm infants: a randomized trial

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Altered brain metabolism contributes to executive function deficits in school-aged children born very preterm

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Serum cytokine profiles in infants with infantile hemangiomas on oral propranolol treatment: VEGF and bFGF, potential biomarkers predicting clinical outcomes

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Randomised controlled trial: Can topical timolol maleate prevent complications for small superficial infantile haemangiomas in high-risk areas?

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/32357362>

Microbiome of the first stool after birth and infantile colic

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Stress as tool or toxin: physiologic markers and subjective report in neonatal simulation

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Maternal dietary fat intake and the risk of congenital heart defects in offspring

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Umbilical cord milking in preterm infants: a systematic review and meta-analysis (PDF)

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Comparison of the management recommendations of the Kaiser Permanente neonatal early-onset sepsis risk calculator (SRC) with NICE guideline CG149 in infants ≥ 34 weeks' gestation who developed early-onset sepsis

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/32170032>

Economic evaluation alongside the Speed of Increasing milk Feeds Trial (SIFT)

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Regional brain volumes, microstructure and neurodevelopment in moderate-late preterm children

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The practice of blood volume submitted for culture in a neonatal intensive care unit

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Corrective steps to enhance ventilation in the delivery room

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Low risk of necrotising enterocolitis in enterally fed neonates with critical heart disease: an observational study (PDF)

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Randomised trial of azithromycin to eradicate Ureaplasma in preterm infants (PDF)

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Developmental trajectories of infants born at less than 30 weeks' gestation on the Bayley-III Scales

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Blue LED phototherapy in preterm infants: effects on an oxidative marker of DNA damage

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Parent experience of caring for neonates with seizures

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Continuous neurally adjusted ventilation: a feasibility study in preterm infants

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Generating longitudinal growth charts from preterm infants fed to current recommendations

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/32451355>

Quality improvement programme to increase the rate of deferred cord clamping at preterm birth using the Lifestart trolley

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/32350065>

Resuscitation outcomes for weekend deliveries of very low birthweight infants

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Nasal insertion depths for neonatal intubation

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Provider visual attention on a respiratory function monitor during neonatal resuscitation

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Reflexes that impact spontaneous breathing of preterm infants at birth: a narrative review

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New-generation intravenous fat emulsions and bronchopulmonary dysplasia in preterm infants: a systematic review and meta-analysis

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Neonatal intestinal dysbiosis

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Improving perinatal regionalization: 10 years of experience with an Arkansas initiative

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The association of maternal hypertensive disorders with neonatal congenital heart disease: analysis of a United States cohort

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Endostatin and ST2 are predictors of pulmonary hypertension disease course in infants

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Novel biomarkers of bronchopulmonary dysplasia and bronchopulmonary dysplasia-associated pulmonary hypertension

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The effect of routine surveillance and decolonization on the rate of Staphylococcus aureus infections in a level IV neonatal intensive care unit

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Cost-effectiveness of probiotics for necrotizing enterocolitis prevention in very low birth weight infants

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A role for neonatal bacteremia in deaths due to intestinal perforation: spontaneous intestinal perforation compared with perforated necrotizing enterocolitis

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Clinical determinants of postoperative outcomes in surgical necrotizing enterocolitis

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Earlier re-initiation of enteral feeding after necrotizing enterocolitis decreases recurrence or stricture: a systematic review and meta-analysis (PDF)

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A comparison of macronutrient-based methods for deriving energy values in human milk

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Zinc deficiency limiting head growth to discharge in extremely low gestational age infants with insufficient linear growth: a cohort study

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Type of feeding provided with dextrose gel impacts hypoglycemia outcomes: comparing donor milk, formula, and breastfeeding

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Fish oil-containing multicomponent lipid emulsion vs soy-based lipid emulsion and neurodevelopmental outcomes of children born < 29 weeks' gestation

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Assuring safe patient care in a level III NICU in anticipation of hospital closure

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Management of chronic pulmonary hypertension in neonates with bronchopulmonary dysplasia: perspectives of neonatologists with hemodynamic expertise and pediatric cardiologists (PDF)

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Epidural-related fever and maternal and neonatal morbidity: a systematic review and meta-analysis (PDF)

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Agreement of cardiac output measurements between bioreactance and transthoracic echocardiography in preterm infants during the transitional phase: a single-centre, prospective study

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Dynamic light scattering: a new noninvasive technology for neonatal heart rate monitoring (PDF)

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Supratentorial brain metrics predict neurodevelopmental outcome in very preterm infants without brain injury at age 2 years

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Neonatal umbilical arterial catheter removal is accompanied by a marked decline in phlebotomy blood loss

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A comparison of UK preterm anthropometric charts and INTERGROWTH-21st: is it time to change growth charts?

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Postnatal corticosteroids policy for very preterm infants and bronchopulmonary dysplasia

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The thromboelastographic profile at birth in very preterm newborns with patent ductus arteriosus

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Effect of intrauterine growth restriction on cerebral regional oxygen saturation in preterm and term neonates during immediate postnatal transition

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Antenatal magnesium sulfate and preeclampsia differentially affect neonatal cerebral oxygenation (PDF)

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Delivery of positive end-expiratory pressure using self-inflating bags during newborn resuscitation is possible despite mask leak

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Differences in serum alkaline phosphatase levels in infants with spontaneous intestinal perforation versus necrotizing enterocolitis with perforation

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Improving the bilirubin management program in the newborn nursery: background, aims, and protocol

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Saliva for assessing vitamin A status in extremely preterm infants: a diagnostic study

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Ampicillin treatment increases placental interleukin-1 beta concentration and polymorphonuclear infiltration in Group B streptococcus-induced chorioamnionitis: a preclinical study

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A preterm infant with multiple anomalies diagnosed with atypical CHARGE syndrome after a novel CHD7 variant confirmed using whole-genome sequencing

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Neonatal dieulafoy lesion requiring massive transfusion protocol and surgical intervention

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Predictors of early preterm birth despite vaginal progesterone therapy in singletons with short cervix

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Induction of labor versus cesarean delivery in twin pregnancies

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Secretion management in tracheostomized infants using unconventional approaches and outcomes: a case series

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A multisite examination of everyday discrimination and the prevalence of spontaneous preterm birth in African American and Latina women in the United States

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Neonatal jaundice: the other side of the coin in the development of allergy

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Smoking during pregnancy and adverse birth and maternal outcomes in California, 2007 to 2016

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Historical Perspectives: Unsilencing suffering: promoting maternal mental health in neonatal intensive care units

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Intravascular hemolysis and complications during extracorporeal membrane oxygenation

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Perinatal arterial ischemic stroke

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Neonatal indirect hyperbilirubinemia

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Case 1: A 31-week fetus with intestinal atresia and sudden fetal hemorrhage

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Case 2: An uncommon peripherally inserted central catheter position with an uncommon diagnosis

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33139514>

Case 3: Hypoxia in a full-term neonate

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33139515>

Strip of the month: Intra-amniotic infection

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A large tortuous umbilical cord with superficial abdominal wall varicose veins in a newborn

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33139517>

Video: Endotracheal tube replacement in a neonate using an airway exchange catheter

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Association of prenatal acetaminophen exposure measured in meconium with risk of attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder mediated by frontoparietal network brain connectivity

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Association between maternal perinatal depression and anxiety and child and adolescent development: a meta-analysis

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