

## SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

**Supplementary Table 1: Correlations between hospital characteristics**

	$\beta$	$r^2$	$p$
Hospital propensity to pursue BAS vs. propensity for mechanical ventilation	0.05	0.01	0.56
Hospital propensity for BAS vs. propensity for PGE	-0.01	0.0004	0.90
Hospital propensity for BAS vs. average age at ASO	0.03	0.20	0.004
Hospital propensity for BAS vs. annual CT surgical volume (per 100 cases)	-0.02	0.05	0.18
Hospital propensity for mechanical ventilation vs. propensity for PGE	0.30	0.09	0.06
Hospital propensity for mechanical ventilation vs. average age at ASO	-0.007	0.004	0.69
Hospital propensity for mechanical ventilation vs. annual CT surgical volume (per 100 cases)	0.05	0.08	0.07
Hospital propensity for PGE vs. average age at ASO	-0.02	0.02	0.33
Hospital propensity for PGE vs. annual CT surgical volume (per 100 cases)	0.02	0.01	0.46
Hospital average age at ASO vs. annual CT surgical volume (per 100 cases)	-0.58	0.13	0.02

*Abbreviations: ASO arterial switch operation, BAS balloon atrial septostomy, CT cardiothoracic, PGE prostaglandin*

**Supplementary Table 2: Multivariable model of preoperative factors associated with post-operative hospital length of stay**

	<b>Ratio (95% CI)</b>	<b>p</b>
<b>Age at ASO (per day)</b>	1.01 (1.01 to 1.02)	<0.001
<b>Genetic condition</b>	2.14 (1.74 to 2.63)	<0.001
<b>Prematurity</b>	1.41 (1.27 to 1.56)	<0.001
<b>Preoperative prostaglandin infusion</b>	1.00 (0.94 to 1.07)	0.93
<b>Preoperative inotrope infusion</b>	1.12 (0.84 to 1.50)	0.43
<b>Preoperative mechanical ventilation</b>	1.16 (1.09 to 1.24)	<0.001
<b>Balloon atrial septostomy</b>	0.78 (0.74 to 0.82)	<0.001

*Abbreviations: ASO arterial switch operation*

**Supplementary Table 3: Multivariable model for risk of death and hospital average age of ASO**

	<b>Odds ratio (95% CI)</b>	<b>p</b>
<b>Hospital average age of ASO</b>	1.15 (1.02 to 1.29)	0.03
<b>Age at ASO (per day)</b>	1.01 (0.96 to 1.05)	0.81
<b>Genetic condition</b>	5.85 (2.20 to 15.55)	<0.001
<b>Prematurity</b>	2.92 (1.47 to 5.80)	0.002
<b>Preoperative PGE infusion</b>	0.76 (0.44 to 1.31)	0.33
<b>Preoperative inotrope infusion</b>	5.04 (1.05 to 24.13)	0.04
<b>Preoperative mechanical ventilation</b>	1.15 (0.66 to 2.03)	0.61
<b>Preoperative balloon atrial septostomy</b>	0.30 (0.16 to 0.54)	<0.001

*Abbreviations: ASO arterial switch operation, CI confidence interval, PGE prostaglandin*

**Supplementary Table 4: Multivariable model for risk of death and hospital propensity for mechanical ventilation**

	<b>Odds ratio (95% CI)</b>	<b>p</b>
<b>Hospital propensity for mechanical ventilation</b>	1.18 (0.35 to 4.00)	0.79
<b>Age at ASO (per day)</b>	1.02 (0.98 to 1.07)	0.31
<b>Genetic condition</b>	5.97 (2.29 to 15.58)	<0.001
<b>Prematurity</b>	2.84 (1.44 to 5.58)	0.002
<b>Preoperative PGE infusion</b>	0.73 (0.43 to 1.26)	0.26
<b>Preoperative inotrope infusion</b>	4.79 (1.00 to 22.97)	0.05
<b>Preoperative mechanical ventilation</b>	1.08 (0.58 to 2.02)	0.80
<b>Preoperative balloon atrial septostomy</b>	0.32 (0.17 to 0.59)	<0.001

*Abbreviations: ASO arterial switch operation, CI confidence interval, PGE prostaglandin*

**Supplementary Table 5 Multivariable model for risk of death and hospital propensity for BAS**

	<b>Odds ratio (95% CI)</b>	<b>p</b>
<b>Hospital propensity for BAS</b>	0.85 (0.11 to 6.81)	0.88
<b>Age at ASO (per day)</b>	1.02 (0.98 to 1.07)	0.31
<b>Genetic condition</b>	5.99 (2.30 to 15.62)	<0.001
<b>Prematurity</b>	2.83 (1.44 to 5.57)	0.003
<b>Preoperative PGE infusion</b>	0.74 (0.43 to 1.26)	0.27
<b>Preoperative inotrope infusion</b>	4.84 (1.00 to 23.37)	0.05
<b>Preoperative mechanical ventilation</b>	1.12 (0.64 to 1.97)	0.68
<b>Preoperative balloon atrial septostomy</b>	0.32 (0.17 to 0.60)	<0.001

*Abbreviations: ASO arterial switch operation, BAS balloon atrial septostomy, CI confidence interval, PGE prostaglandin*

**Supplementary Table 6: Multivariable model for risk of death and hospital propensity for PGE**

	<b>Odds ratio (95% CI)</b>	<b>p</b>
<b>Hospital propensity for PGE</b>	0.46 (0.14 to 1.53)	0.21
<b>Age at ASO (per day)</b>	1.02 (0.98 to 1.07)	0.38
<b>Genetic condition</b>	6.36 (2.44 to 16.58)	<0.001
<b>Prematurity</b>	2.85 (1.45 to 5.60)	0.002
<b>Preoperative PGE infusion</b>	0.88 (0.48 to 1.59)	0.66
<b>Preoperative inotrope infusion</b>	4.80 (0.98 to 23.49)	0.05
<b>Preoperative mechanical ventilation</b>	1.14 (0.65 to 2.00)	0.65
<b>Preoperative balloon atrial septostomy</b>	0.32 (0.17 to 0.59)	<0.001

*Abbreviations: ASO arterial switch operation, CI confidence interval, PGE prostaglandin*

**Supplementary Table 7: Multivariable model for risk of death and hospital CT surgical volume**

	<b>Odds ratio (95% CI)</b>	<b>p</b>
<b>Annual CT surgical volume (per 100 cases)</b>	0.83 (0.70 to 0.99)	0.04
<b>Age at ASO (per day)</b>	1.02 (0.97 to 1.06)	0.49
<b>Genetic condition</b>	5.56 (2.12 to 14.62)	<0.001
<b>Prematurity</b>	2.78 (1.41 to 5.48)	0.003
<b>Preoperative PGE infusion</b>	0.72 (0.42 to 1.24)	0.24
<b>Preoperative inotrope infusion</b>	4.38 (0.90 to 21.45)	0.07
<b>Preoperative mechanical ventilation</b>	1.23 (0.70 to 2.19)	0.47
<b>Preoperative balloon atrial septostomy</b>	0.30 (0.16 to 0.55)	<0.001

*Abbreviations: ASO arterial switch operation, CI confidence interval, CT cardiothoracic, PGE prostaglandin*

**Supplementary Table 8: Multivariable model of preoperative and hospital factors associated with post-operative length of stay**

	<b>Ratio (95% CI)</b>	<b>p</b>
<b>Age at ASO (per day)</b>	1.01 (1.00 to 1.02)	<0.001
<b>Genetic condition</b>	2.07 (1.68 to 2.54)	<0.001
<b>Prematurity</b>	1.27 (1.18 to 1.36)	<0.001
<b>Preoperative prostaglandin infusion</b>	1.01 (0.94 to 1.07)	0.86
<b>Preoperative inotrope infusion</b>	1.15 (0.86 to 1.54)	0.33
<b>Preoperative mechanical ventilation</b>	1.17 (1.10 to 1.25)	<0.001
<b>Balloon atrial septostomy</b>	0.79 (0.75 to 0.84)	<0.001
<b>Hospital average age at ASO (per day)</b>	1.05 (1.01 to 1.09)	0.02
<b>Hospital propensity to pursue BAS</b>	0.72 (0.39 to 1.34)	0.30
<b>Hospital propensity for mechanical ventilation</b>	1.04 (0.73 to 1.46)	0.84
<b>Hospital propensity for prostaglandin</b>	0.89 (0.64 to 1.24)	0.49
<b>Hospital CT surgical volume (per 100 cases)</b>	0.95 (0.90 to 1.00)	0.07

*Abbreviations: ASO arterial switch operation, BAS balloon atrial septostomy, CI confidence interval, CT cardiothoracic, PGE prostaglandin*



**Supplementary Table 9: Results of multivariable models evaluating the association of prematurity and mortality, length of stay, and cost**

	Mortality		Length of stay		Cost	
	Odds ratio (95% CI)	<i>p</i>	Ratio (95% CI)	<i>p</i>	Ratio (95% CI)	<i>p</i>
<b>Gestational age</b>						
>=37 weeks	1	n/a	1	n/a	1	n/a
35-36 weeks	2.26 (0.96 to 5.35)	0.06	1.24 (1.12 to 1.38)	<0.001	1.20 (1.08 to 1.33)	<0.001
31-35 weeks	2.86 (0.94 to 8.70)	0.06	1.48 (1.28 to 1.72)	<0.001	1.40 (1.21 to 1.62)	<0.001
<=30 weeks	21.08 (3.21 to 138.25)	0.001	1.30 (0.82 to 2.05)	0.27	1.22 (0.77 to 1.93)	0.39

*Abbreviations: CI confidence interval*