

Risk factors for the deterioration of periventricular-intraventricular hemorrhage in preterm infants

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Supplementary Table 1. The PV-IVH deterioration in different gestational groups [% (n)].

| | < 28 weeks n=495 | 28~30 weeks n=1,558 | 30~32 weeks n=4,044 | 32~37 weeks n=18,179 |
|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| PV-IVH, % (n) | 55.6 (275) | 40.1 (625) | 28.1 (1,133) | 9.6 (1,750) |
| PV-IVH deterioration, % (n) | 2.4 (12) | 1.6 (25) | 0.19 (8) | N |
| PV-IVH deterioration within first week, % (n) | 2.4 (12) | 1.6 (25) | 0.12 (5) | N |

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Supplementary Table 2. Correlation analysis.

| | | Lower genital tract | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|---|----------------------|----------|-----------|----------|-------------|---------------|----------|----------|-----------|-------------|
| | | Invasive respiratory | | | | | genital tract | | | | |
| | | Intrauterine | | | | | | | | | |
| | | GA | BW | infection | Asphyxia | Primiparity | support | PS | Dopamine | infection | Antibiotics |
| GA | r | 1.000 | 0.625** | -0.152** | -0.196** | 0.013 | -0.363** | -0.156** | -0.229** | -0.166** | 0.134** |
| | p | | 0.000 | 0.001 | 0.000 | 0.769 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.002 |
| BW | r | 0.625** | 1.000 | -0.197** | -0.158** | 0.066 | -0.488** | -0.187** | -0.366** | -0.303** | 0.171** |
| | p | 0.000 | | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.132 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Intrauterine | r | -0.152** | -0.197** | 1.000 | -0.022 | -0.015 | 0.196** | 0.122** | 0.197** | 0.434** | -0.261** |
| | p | 0.001 | 0.000 | | 0.623 | 0.738 | 0.000 | 0.006 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Asphyxia | r | -0.196** | -0.158** | -0.022 | 1.000 | -0.073 | 0.076 | 0.020 | 0.175** | -0.012 | -0.044 |
| | p | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.623 | | 0.098 | 0.086 | 0.653 | 0.000 | 0.779 | 0.319 |
| Primiparity | r | 0.013 | 0.066 | -0.015 | -0.073 | 1.000 | -0.096* | -0.032 | -0.082 | -0.096* | 0.075 |
| | p | 0.769 | 0.132 | 0.738 | 0.098 | | 0.029 | 0.472 | 0.065 | 0.030 | 0.088 |
| Invasive | r | -0.363** | -0.488** | 0.196** | 0.076 | -0.096* | 1.000 | 0.110* | 0.300** | 0.353** | -0.200** |
| | p | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.086 | 0.029 | | 0.012 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| respiratory support | | | | | | | | | | | |

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|-------------------------------|---|----------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| PS | r | -0.156** | -0.187** | 0.122** | 0.020 | -0.032 | 0.110* | 1.000 | 0.295** | 0.244** | -0.099* |
| | p | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.006 | 0.653 | 0.472 | 0.012 | | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.025 |
| Dopamine | r | -0.229** | -0.366** | 0.197** | 0.175** | -0.082 | 0.300** | 0.295** | 1.000 | 0.511** | -0.304** |
| | p | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.065 | 0.000 | 0.000 | | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Lower genital tract infection | r | -0.166** | -0.303** | 0.434** | -0.012 | -0.096* | 0.353** | 0.244** | 0.511** | 1.000 | -0.506** |
| | p | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.779 | 0.030 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | | 0.000 |
| Antibiotics | p | 0.002 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.319 | 0.088 | 0.000 | 0.025 | 0.000 | 0.000 | |

* P < 0.05 between the two variables.

** P < 0.01 between the two variables.

GA: gestational age; BW: birth weight; PS: pulmonary surfactant.

Supplementary Table 3. Stepwise regression.

| | Variables | β | SE | Wals | P | OR | 95%CI | |
|--------|-------------------------------|----------|-------|--------|------|------|-------|------|
| Step 1 | BW | -0.001 | 0.001 | 2.125 | 0.14 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| | Intrauterine infection | -0.124 | 0.398 | 0.098 | 0.75 | 0.88 | 0.41 | 1.93 |
| | Asphyxia | 0.567 | 0.375 | 2.293 | 0.13 | 1.76 | 0.85 | 3.68 |
| | Primarity | -0.290 | 0.358 | 0.655 | 0.42 | 0.75 | 0.37 | 1.51 |
| | Invasive respiratory support | 0.183 | 0.397 | 0.213 | 0.64 | 1.20 | 0.55 | 2.62 |
| | PS | 0.366 | 0.394 | 0.863 | 0.35 | 1.44 | 0.67 | 3.12 |
| | Dopamine | 0.053 | 0.439 | 0.015 | 0.90 | 1.05 | 0.45 | 2.49 |
| | Antibiotics | -0.470 | 0.728 | 0.416 | 0.52 | 0.63 | 0.15 | 2.60 |
| | Lower genital tract infection | 0.776 | 0.743 | 1.091 | 0.30 | 2.17 | 0.51 | 9.33 |
| | GA | -0.467 | 0.139 | 11.343 | 0.00 | 0.63 | 0.48 | 0.82 |
| Step 2 | BW | -0.001 | 0.001 | 2.178 | 0.14 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| | Asphyxia | -0.129 | 0.396 | 0.106 | 0.74 | 0.88 | 0.40 | 1.91 |
| | Primarity | 0.579 | 0.363 | 2.541 | 0.11 | 1.78 | 0.88 | 3.64 |
| | Invasive respiratory support | -0.290 | 0.358 | 0.658 | 0.42 | 0.75 | 0.37 | 1.51 |
| | PS | 0.185 | 0.397 | 0.217 | 0.64 | 1.20 | 0.55 | 2.62 |

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|--------|-------------------------------|--------|-------|--------|------|------|------|------|
| | Dopamine | 0.374 | 0.388 | 0.932 | 0.33 | 1.45 | 0.68 | 3.11 |
| | Antibiotics | -0.475 | 0.724 | 0.431 | 0.51 | 0.62 | 0.15 | 2.57 |
| | Lower genital tract infection | 0.802 | 0.710 | 1.278 | 0.26 | 2.23 | 0.56 | 8.96 |
| | GA | -0.468 | 0.139 | 11.388 | 0.00 | 0.63 | 0.48 | 0.82 |
| Step 3 | BW | -0.001 | 0.001 | 2.197 | 0.14 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| | Asphyxia | 0.585 | 0.363 | 2.606 | 0.11 | 1.80 | 0.88 | 3.66 |
| | Primarity | -0.302 | 0.356 | 0.718 | 0.40 | 0.74 | 0.37 | 1.49 |
| | Invasive respiratory support | 0.184 | 0.396 | 0.216 | 0.64 | 1.20 | 0.55 | 2.62 |
| | PS | 0.373 | 0.387 | 0.926 | 0.34 | 1.45 | 0.68 | 3.10 |
| | Antibiotics | -0.456 | 0.728 | 0.393 | 0.53 | 0.63 | 0.15 | 2.64 |
| | Lower genital tract infection | 0.766 | 0.707 | 1.175 | 0.28 | 2.15 | 0.54 | 8.61 |
| | GA | -0.464 | 0.138 | 11.370 | 0.00 | 0.63 | 0.48 | 0.82 |
| Step 4 | BW | -0.001 | 0.001 | 2.788 | 0.09 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| | Asphyxia | 0.584 | 0.363 | 2.590 | 0.11 | 1.79 | 0.88 | 3.65 |
| | Primarity | -0.307 | 0.356 | 0.746 | 0.39 | 0.74 | 0.37 | 1.48 |
| | Invasive respiratory support | 0.347 | 0.383 | 0.822 | 0.36 | 1.42 | 0.67 | 3.00 |
| | PS | -0.482 | 0.721 | 0.446 | 0.50 | 0.62 | 0.15 | 2.54 |

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|--------|-------------------------------|--------|-------|--------|------|------|------|------|
| | Lower genital tract infection | 0.810 | 0.697 | 1.349 | 0.25 | 2.25 | 0.57 | 8.81 |
| | GA | -0.467 | 0.137 | 11.590 | 0.00 | 0.63 | 0.48 | 0.82 |
| Step 5 | BW | -0.002 | 0.001 | 2.910 | 0.09 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| | Asphyxia | 0.591 | 0.362 | 2.661 | 0.10 | 1.81 | 0.89 | 3.67 |
| | Primarity | -0.345 | 0.351 | 0.964 | 0.33 | 0.71 | 0.36 | 1.41 |
| | PS | 0.352 | 0.383 | 0.845 | 0.36 | 1.42 | 0.67 | 3.01 |
| | Lower genital tract infection | 1.201 | 0.394 | 9.318 | 0.00 | 3.33 | 1.54 | 7.19 |
| | GA | -0.459 | 0.136 | 11.326 | 0.00 | 0.63 | 0.48 | 0.83 |
| Step 6 | BW | -0.002 | 0.001 | 3.068 | 0.08 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| | Asphyxia | 0.546 | 0.360 | 2.302 | 0.13 | 1.73 | 0.85 | 3.49 |
| | Primarity | -0.342 | 0.351 | 0.947 | 0.33 | 0.71 | 0.36 | 1.41 |
| | Lower genital tract infection | 1.262 | 0.388 | 10.585 | 0.00 | 3.53 | 1.65 | 7.56 |
| | GA | -0.463 | 0.137 | 11.410 | 0.00 | 0.63 | 0.48 | 0.82 |
| Step 7 | BW | -0.002 | 0.001 | 3.162 | 0.08 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| | Asphyxia | 0.545 | 0.360 | 2.297 | 0.13 | 1.72 | 0.85 | 3.49 |
| | Lower genital tract infection | 1.300 | 0.386 | 11.337 | 0.00 | 3.67 | 1.72 | 7.82 |
| | GA | -0.465 | 0.136 | 11.623 | 0.00 | 0.63 | 0.48 | 0.82 |

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|--------|-------------------------------|--------|-------|--------|------|------|------|------|
| Step 8 | BW | -0.002 | 0.001 | 4.296 | 0.05 | 0.99 | 0.99 | 1.00 |
| | Lower genital tract infection | 1.315 | 0.387 | 11.566 | 0.00 | 3.73 | 1.75 | 7.95 |
| | GA | -0.483 | 0.134 | 12.948 | 0.00 | 0.62 | 0.48 | 0.80 |

GA: gestational age; BW: birth weight; PS: Pulmonary surfactant.

Supplementary Table 4. Collinearity analysis – VIF.

| Model | Standardized Coefficients | | | Collinearity Statistics | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|--------|------|-------------------------|------|
| | β | t | P | Tolerance | VIF |
| Constant | -- | 5.324 | 0.00 | -- | -- |
| Birth weight | -0.067 | -1.225 | 0.22 | 0.59 | 1.70 |
| Gestational age | -0.221 | -4.204 | 0.00 | 0.64 | 1.57 |
| Lower genital tract infection | 0.132 | 2.990 | 0.00 | 0.90 | 1.12 |

VIF less than 10 indicates no collinearity.

Supplementary Table 5. Demographic features of preterm infants with mild PV-IVH deterioration and severe PV-IVH deterioration.

| Variables | Severe | Mild | P |
|--|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| | Deterioration n=5 | Deterioration n=37 | |
| Gestational age (weeks, mean±SD) | 29.7±1.6 | 28.3±1.6 | 0.04 |
| Birth weight (gram, mean±SD) | 1256.7±398.9 | 1113.1±209.3 | 0.18 |
| Male (n, %) | 3 (60.0) | 18 (48.6) | >0.99 |
| History of fetal abnormalities (n, %) | 1 (20.0) | 6 (16.2) | >0.99 |
| Primigravidity (n, %) | 4 (80.0) | 26 (70.2) | >0.99 |
| Primiparity (n, %) | 4 (80.0) | 14 (37.8) | 0.23 |
| Multiple gestations (n, %) | 0 (0) | 19 (51.4) | 0.05 |
| Vaginal delivery (n, %) | 3 (60.0) | 26 (70.3) | 0.64 |
| In vitro fertilization (n, %) | 0 (0) | 2 (5.4) | >0.99 |
| Gestational hypertension (n, %) | 0 (0) | 5 (13.5) | >0.99 |
| Intrauterine infection (n, %) | 2 (40.0) | 13 (35.1) | >0.99 |
| Premature rupture of membranes (n, %) | 1 (20.0) | 7 (18.9) | >0.99 |
| Placental abnormality (n, %) | 2 (40.0) | 9 (24.3) | 0.59 |
| Intrahepatic cholestasis of pregnancy (n, %) | 1 (20.0) | 8 (88.9) | >0.99 |

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|---------------------------------------|----------|-----------|-------|
| Anemia (n, %) | 2 (14.0) | 13 (35.1) | >0.99 |
| Lower genital tract infections (n, %) | 4 (80.0) | 26 (70.3) | >0.99 |
| Amniotic fluid contamination (n, %) | 1 (20.0) | 6 (16.2) | >0.99 |
| Fetal intrauterine distress (n, %) | 2 (40.0) | 6 (16.2) | 0.24 |

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Supplementary Table 6. Complications of preterm infants with mild PV-IVH deterioration and severe PV-IVH deterioration.

| Variables | Severe | Mild | P |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-------|
| | Deterioration n=5 | Deterioration n=37 | |
| Asphyxia (n, %) | 4 (80.0) | 21 (56.8) | 0.63 |
| Pneumonia (n, %) | 4 (80.0) | 31 (83.8) | >0.99 |
| Respiratory distress syndrome (n, %) | 3 (60.0) | 22 (59.5) | >0.99 |
| Apnea (n, %) | 3 (60.0) | 16 (43.2) | 0.64 |
| Patent ductus arteriosus (n, %) | 1 (20.0) | 9 (24.3) | >0.99 |
| Scleredema (n, %) | 1 (20.0) | 6 (16.2) | >0.99 |
| Anemia (n, %) | 2 (40.0) | 20 (54.1) | 0.66 |
| Sepsis (n, %) | 0 (0.0) | 6 (16.2) | >0.99 |

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Supplementary Table 7. Laboratory test and treatment in preterm infants with mild PV-IVH deterioration and severe PV-IVH deterioration.

| Variables | Severe | Mild | P |
|--|---------------|---------------|-------------|
| | Deterioration | Deterioration | |
| | n=5 | n=37 | |
| WBC >25×10 ⁹ /L *(n, %) | 5 (100.0) | 10 (27.0) | 0.00 |
| CRP>8mg/L (n, %) | 4 (80.0) | 10 (27.0) | 0.04 |
| Progressive decrease in platelets (n, %) | 1 (20.0) | 3 (8.1) | 0.41 |
| Abnormal coagulation (n, %) | 0 (00.0) | 7 (18.9) | 0.57 |
| Blood glucose < 2.2mmol/L (n, %) | 1 (20.0) | 0 (0.0) | 0.12 |
| Albumin<30g/L (n, %) | 1 (20.0) | 14 (37.8) | 0.64 |
| Invasive respiratory support (n, %) | 3 (60.0) | 23 (62.2) | >0.99 |
| Non-invasive respiratory support (n, %) | 0 (0.0) | 2 (5.4) | >0.99 |
| Pulmonary surfactant (n, %) | 3 (60.0) | 26 (70.3) | >0.99 |
| Dopamine support (n, %) | 1 (20.0) | 19 (51.4) | 0.35 |
| Antibiotics (n, %) | 1 (20.0) | 10 (27.0) | >0.99 |
| Plasma transfusion (n, %) | 0 (0.0) | 2 (5.4) | >0.99 |
| Intravenous immunoglobulin (n, %) | 0 (0) | 2 (5.4) | >0.99 |

*Baseline values were tested before or within 24 hours of the initial PV-IVH diagnosis. PV-IVH: periventricular - intraventricular hemorrhage; WBC: white blood cell; CRP: C-reactive protein