

Supplemental Table 1 Randomized clinical trial: paracetamol vs. indomethacin

| References | Drug | Admin | Dosage | N | Closure rate % | Renal impairment | | | |
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| | | | | | | Renal dysfunction % | Urine output mL/kg/h | BUN mg/dL | Creatinine mg/dL |
| Davidson 2021 | Paracetamol | IV | 15 mg/kg/6 h | 17 | N/A | N/A | No difference | N/A | No difference |
| | Indomethacin | IV | 0.2–0.2 –0.2 mg/kg | 21 | | | | | |
| | | | 0.2–0.25–0.25 mg/kg | | | | | | |
| El-Mashad 2017 | Paracetamol | IV | 15 mg/kg/6 h | 100 | 88 | N/A | 2.24 ± 0.37 | 20.60 ± 2.80 | 0.55 ± 0.05 |
| | Indomethacin | IV | 0.2–0.2–0.2 mg/kg | 100 | 87 | | 1.10 ± 0.37 | 32.00 ± 3.62 | 0.90 ± 0.19 |
| | Ibuprofen | IV | 10–5–5 mg/kg | 100 | 83 | | 1.69 ± 0.60 | 22.10 ± 3.04 | 0.69 ± 0.16 |
| Meena 2020 | Paracetamol | IV | 15 mg/kg/6 h | 35 | 71 | N/A | N/A | 30.34 ± 10.23 | 0.76 ± 0.23 |
| | Indomethacin | Oral | 0.2–0.1 –0.1 mg/kg | 35 | 68 | | | 43.42 ± 7.30 | 1.01 ± 0.26 |
| | | | 0.2–0.25–0.25 mg/kg | | | | | | |
| Dash 2015 | Paracetamol | Oral | 15 mg/kg/6 h | 38 | 100 | 3 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| | Indomethacin | IV | 0.2–0.2–0.2 mg/kg | 39 | 95 | 0 | | | |

Supplemental Table 2 Trial synopsis

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| Study title | Randomized controlled trial to evaluate the safety and efficacy of intravenous PARacetamol for treatment of Patent ductus arteriosus in Preterm infants |
| Study aims | To examine the safety of intravenous paracetamol therapy for hsPDA in premature infants |
| Outcomes | Primary: Incidence of renal dysfunction from the start of treatment to 48 hours from the last dose of the study drug Secondary: Percentage of DA closure at 24 hours from the last dose of the study drug; Percentage of successful treatment at 24 hours from the last dose of the study drug; Percentage of reopening of DA between 24 and 48 hours from the last dose of the study drug; Adverse events from the start of treatment to 48 hours from the last dose of the study drug; Changes in the laboratory values from the start of treatment to 24 or 48 hours from the last dose of the study drug |
| Design | Open-label, controlled, parallel, two-arm, randomized, phase III multi-center trial, stratified by GA and history of prophylactic indomethacin for the prevention of IVH |
| Inclusion criteria | 1. Born with GA of 24–35 weeks and BW of 500–2,000 g 2. 24 hours to 7 days old 3. Diagnosed with hsPDA 4. Informed parental consent |
| Exclusion criteria | 1. History of drug therapy for PDA; 2. History of systemic administration of steroids; 3. Congenital heart disease; 4. Congenital malformation; 5. Fetal hydrops; 6. Severe infection; 7. Pulmonary hypertension; 8. IVH; 9. Hyperbilirubinemia; 10. Necrotizing enterocolitis; 11. Perforation of the stomach or gastrointestinal tract; 12. Bleeding tendency; 13. Serum creatinine level >1.5 mg/dL; 14. Urine output <1 mL/kg/H for 24 hours before enrollment or <0.5 mL/kg/H for 24 hours after birth; 15. Platelet count <50,000/ul; 16. Increase in ALT or AST; 17. Judged to be ineligible for participation in this study by the investigators |
| Intervention | Intervention: Intravenous paracetamol 15 mg/kg every 6 hours for 3 days Control: Intravenous indomethacin 0.1–0.2 mg/kg intravenous every 24 hours for 3 days |
| Study product | Active: Paracetamol 10 mg/mL Control: Indomethacin 1 mg |
| Schedule | Vital signs to be measured during the screening period and on Days 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, and 14 Urine output (24 hours) will be measured for Days 1, 2, and 3 Patient to be weighed during the screening period and on Day 1 Ultrasound examinations to be performed during the screening phase, Day 1, 2, 3, and 24 and 48 hours from the last dose of the study drug Chest x-ray examinations to be performed during the screening phase Laboratory tests to be performed during the screening phase and on Days 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, and 14 Acetaminophen blood levels to be measured 24 hours from the last dose of the study drug NTproBNP measurements to be performed on Day 1 and 24 hours from the last dose of the study drug |
| Preparation | Paracetamol (10 mg/mL) to be administered without dilution |

Indomethacin (1 mg) to be diluted to 0.1 mg/mL in 10 mL of solutions

Sample size **n = 110**; 55/group; assuming that approximately 25% of infants would have renal dysfunction by intravenous indomethacin, a sample size of at least 49 infants per group would be required to detect a 20% reduction in the rate of renal dysfunction, with 95% CI and power of 80%

DA, ductus arteriosus; PDA, patent ductus arteriosus; hsPDA, hemodynamically significant PDA; GA, gestational age; BW, birth weight; IVH, intraventricular hemorrhage; ALT, alanine aminotransferase; AST, aspartate aminotransferase