

## **Supplementary Materials:**

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**Table S1.** Bayesian model averaged (BMA) regression of the outcome death and/or major disability in the NeOProM trials (analyses with  $s = 1/2$ )

Outcome	All			Female			Male			BF <sub>10</sub>	BF <sub>rf</sub>	BF <sub>mod</sub>	BF <sub>Female</sub>	BF <sub>Male</sub>
	RR	95% CrI		RR	95% CrI		RR	95% CrI						
		Lower	Upper		Lower	Upper		Lower	Upper					
Death or major disability (primary analysis)	1.03	0.98	1.09	1.00	0.93	1.09	1.03	0.98	1.10	0.30	0.10	0.47	0.35	0.38
Death or major disability (supportive analysis)	1.04	0.98	1.10	1.00	0.92	1.09	1.04	0.98	1.11	0.35	0.12	0.58	0.42	0.46
Death or major disability (secondary analysis)	1.05	0.97	1.14	1.02	0.92	1.14	1.04	0.96	1.14	0.51	0.16	0.49	0.45	0.48
Death or major disability (trialist defined)	1.07	0.99	1.14	1.02	0.91	1.13	1.07	0.99	1.15	1.00	0.18	0.78	0.71	1.17
Major disability (primary analysis)	1.00	0.92	1.09	0.98	0.89	1.07	1.02	0.94	1.11	0.21	0.17	0.58	0.34	0.34
Major disability (supportive analysis)	1.01	0.93	1.09	0.97	0.89	1.07	1.03	0.95	1.12	0.21	0.17	0.67	0.40	0.39
Major disability (secondary analysis)	0.97	0.85	1.11	0.97	0.82	1.12	1.00	0.87	1.14	0.39	0.36	0.69	0.48	0.47
Major disability (trialist defined)	1.03	0.93	1.14	0.97	0.87	1.11	1.05	0.96	1.16	0.31	0.22	1.00	0.57	0.61
Death prior to 18-24 months' age corrected for prematurity	1.15	1.01	1.30	1.12	0.93	1.32	1.14	0.98	1.32	3.50	0.51	0.62	1.75	1.99
Death prior to 36 weeks' postmenstrual age	1.15	1.01	1.32	1.13	0.92	1.34	1.14	0.97	1.34	3.26	0.51	0.65	1.75	2.07
Death prior to discharge	1.14	1.01	1.29	1.11	0.91	1.30	1.14	0.98	1.32	3.04	0.46	0.67	1.50	1.94

The table show the analyses with  $s = 1/2$  (i.e., the expected difference of each moderator level corresponding to  $1/2$  of the mean effect size).

BF: Bayes factor; CrI: credible interval; RR: risk ratio.

RR>1 indicates higher risk with lower SpO<sub>2</sub> range (85-89% vs. 91-95%).

**Table S2.** Bayesian model averaged (BMA) regression of the outcomes related to neurodevelopmental impairment in the NeOProM trials (analyses with  $s = 1/2$ )

Outcome	All			Female			Male			BF <sub>10</sub>	BF <sub>rf</sub>	BF <sub>mod</sub>	BF <sub>Female</sub>	BF <sub>Male</sub>
	RR	95% CrI		RR	95% CrI		RR	95% CrI						
		Lower	Upper		Lower	Upper		Lower	Upper					
Cerebral palsy with GMFCS ≥ 2	1.01	0.81	1.26	1.01	0.82	1.26	1.00	0.82	1.23	0.55	0.59	0.84	0.63	0.64
Severe visual impairment (trialist defined)	1.05	0.74	1.51	1.00	0.73	1.45	1.06	0.77	1.51	0.83	0.99	1.08	0.95	0.94
Deafness requiring hearing aids or worse	1.00	0.76	1.32	0.97	0.74	1.27	1.04	0.80	1.32	0.67	0.96	1.09	0.81	0.79
Bayley-III language and/or cognitive <85	1.00	0.92	1.09	0.98	0.90	1.08	1.02	0.93	1.11	0.22	0.16	0.52	0.33	0.32
Bayley-III cognitive <85	1.04	0.91	1.20	1.01	0.88	1.19	1.03	0.90	1.19	0.41	0.44	0.65	0.48	0.48
Bayley-III language <85	1.03	0.94	1.13	0.99	0.88	1.11	1.04	0.95	1.15	0.29	0.31	0.70	0.45	0.47
Bayley-III language or cognitive <70	0.96	0.81	1.13	0.97	0.80	1.14	0.98	0.83	1.15	0.49	0.52	0.73	0.55	0.52
Bayley-III cognitive <70	1.02	0.82	1.30	1.03	0.83	1.30	1.00	0.82	1.25	0.58	1.00	0.89	0.64	0.64
Bayley-III language <70	1.00	0.84	1.19	0.99	0.83	1.17	1.01	0.86	1.19	0.43	0.44	0.76	0.55	0.53

The table show the analyses with  $s = 1/2$  (i.e., the expected difference of each moderator level corresponding to 1/2 of the mean effect size).

BF: Bayes factor; CrI: credible interval; GMFCS: Gross Motor Function Classification System; RR: risk ratio.

RR>1 indicates higher risk with lower SpO<sub>2</sub> range (85-89% vs. 91-95%).

**Table S3.** Bayesian model averaged (BMA) regression of secondary outcomes in the NeOProM trials (analyses with  $s = 1/2$ )

Outcome	All			Female			Male			BF <sub>10</sub>	BF <sub>rf</sub>	BF <sub>mod</sub>	BF <sub>Female</sub>	BF <sub>Male</sub>
	RR	95% CrI		RR	95% CrI		RR	95% CrI						
		Lower	Upper		Lower	Upper		Lower	Upper					
PDA medically or surgically treated	1.01	0.95	1.08	1.00	0.94	1.07	1.01	0.95	1.08	0.17	0.05	0.35	0.23	0.23
PDA surgically treated	1.13	0.97	1.33	1.11	0.93	1.35	1.09	0.90	1.33	1.35	0.39	0.71	1.03	0.92
Severe NEC	1.26	1.04	1.53	1.22	0.92	1.53	1.27	1.02	1.59	9.31	0.43	0.92	3.65	6.53
Treated ROP	0.81	0.65	1.03	0.85	0.65	1.12	0.82	0.63	1.07	3.33	8.78	0.90	1.90	2.25
Positive airway pressure with ETT at 36 weeks' PMA	0.99	0.82	1.19	0.93	0.77	1.14	1.06	0.87	1.25	0.48	0.65	1.42	0.89	0.84
Positive airway pressure without ETT at 36 weeks' PMA	0.91	0.81	1.02	0.92	0.79	1.06	0.94	0.81	1.09	1.33	0.72	0.60	0.97	0.83
Supplemental oxygen without positive airway pressure at 36 weeks' PMA	0.83	0.75	0.92	0.81	0.71	0.92	0.84	0.75	0.96	99.63	0.21	0.72	40.79	11.31
Moderate to severe BPD	0.89	0.82	0.95	0.84	0.76	0.95	0.95	0.83	1.04	19.74	0.70	4.43	17.44	0.54
Discharged home on oxygen	1.01	0.90	1.13	0.99	0.88	1.12	1.02	0.90	1.14	0.30	0.39	0.59	0.40	0.40
Readmission to hospital	1.01	0.95	1.08	0.98	0.91	1.06	1.03	0.96	1.10	0.17	0.25	0.60	0.32	0.33

The table show the analyses with  $s = 1/2$  (i.e., the expected difference of each moderator level corresponding to 1/2 of the mean effect size).

BF: Bayes factor; BPD: bronchopulmonary dysplasia; CrI: credible interval; ETT: endotracheal tube; NEC: necrotizing enterocolitis; PDA: patent ductus arteriosus; PMA: postmenstrual age; ROP: retinopathy of prematurity; RR: risk ratio.

RR>1 indicates higher risk with lower SpO<sub>2</sub> range (85-89% vs. 91-95%).

**Table S4.** Comparison between the Bayes Factor (BF) values of the Bayesian model averaged (BMA) analysis and the p-values of the original NeOProM frequentist analysis for the outcomes death and/or major disability.

Outcome	Overall		Female		Male		Interaction of sex	
	BF <sub>10</sub>	<i>Frequentist p-value</i>	BF <sub>Female</sub>	<i>Frequentist p-value</i>	BF <sub>Male</sub>	<i>Frequentist p-value</i>	BF <sub>mod</sub>	<i>Frequentist p-value</i>
Death or major disability (primary analysis)	0.30	0.210	0.45	0.724	0.48	0.150	0.76	0.543
Death or major disability (supportive analysis)	0.35	0.200	0.52	0.838	0.59	0.106	0.88	0.476
Death or major disability (secondary analysis)	0.51	0.156 <sup>a</sup>	0.53	0.489	0.55	0.217	0.75	0.852
Death or major disability (trialist defined)	1.04	0.031 <sup>a</sup>	0.85	0.632	1.19	0.030	1.06	0.383
Major disability (primary analysis)	0.21	0.950	0.43	0.479	0.42	0.521	0.84	0.338
Major disability (supportive analysis)	0.21	0.870	0.46	0.471	0.46	0.421	0.92	0.333
Major disability (secondary analysis)	0.38	0.661 <sup>a</sup>	0.54	0.418	0.53	0.857	0.89	0.529
Major disability (trialist defined)	0.32	0.367 <sup>a</sup>	0.57	0.589	0.63	0.186	1.14	0.258
Death prior to 18-24 months' age corrected for prematurity	3.60	0.010	2.17	0.130	2.45	0.029	0.84	0.840
Death prior to 36 weeks' postmenstrual age	3.33	0.010	2.08	0.156	2.26	0.037	0.86	0.814
Death prior to discharge	3.15	0.010	1.96	0.208	2.22	0.024	0.88	0.648

BF: Bayes factor; CrI: credible interval; RR: risk ratio.

<sup>a</sup>P-value not available in the original study and calculated by means of a random effects meta-frequentist meta-analysis.

**Table S5.** Comparison between the Bayes Factor (BF) values of the Bayesian model averaged (BMA) analysis and the p-values of the original NeOProM frequentist analysis for the outcomes related to neurodevelopmental impairment.

Outcome	Overall		Female		Male		Interaction of sex	
	BF <sub>10</sub>	<i>Frequentist p-value</i>	BF <sub>Female</sub>	<i>Frequentist p-value</i>	BF <sub>Male</sub>	<i>Frequentist p-value</i>	BF <sub>mod</sub>	<i>Frequentist p-value</i>
Cerebral palsy with GMFCS $\geq 2$	0.55	<i>0.880</i>	0.67	<i>0.826</i>	0.66	<i>0.972</i>	0.95	<i>0.862</i>
Severe visual impairment (trialist defined)	0.83	<i>0.730</i>	0.89	<i>0.222</i>	0.90	<i>0.161</i>	1.02	<i>0.076</i>
Deafness requiring hearing aids or worse	0.67	<i>0.790</i>	0.77	<i>0.208</i>	0.76	<i>0.220</i>	1.03	<i>0.094</i>
Bayley-III language and/or cognitive <85	0.22	<i>0.920</i>	0.40	<i>0.416</i>	0.39	<i>0.618</i>	0.77	<i>0.449</i>
Bayley-III cognitive <85	0.41	<i>0.524<sup>a</sup></i>	0.54	<i>0.540</i>	0.53	<i>0.668</i>	0.86	<i>0.844</i>
Bayley-III language <85	0.30	<i>0.451<sup>a</sup></i>	0.54	<i>0.530</i>	0.51	<i>0.353</i>	0.93	<i>0.395</i>
Bayley-III language or cognitive <70	0.48	<i>0.513<sup>a</sup></i>	0.58	<i>0.548</i>	0.58	<i>0.622</i>	0.91	<i>0.912</i>
Bayley-III cognitive <70	0.58	<i>0.703<sup>a</sup></i>	0.68	<i>0.615</i>	0.67	<i>0.729</i>	0.97	<i>0.456</i>
Bayley-III language <70	0.43	<i>0.947<sup>a</sup></i>	0.56	<i>0.865</i>	0.57	<i>0.888</i>	0.92	<i>0.901</i>

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**Table S6.** Comparison between the Bayes Factor (BF) values of the Bayesian model averaged (BMA) analysis and the p-values of the original NeOProM frequentist analysis for the secondary outcomes.

Outcome	Overall		Female		Male		Interaction of sex	
	BF <sub>10</sub>	Frequentist p-value	BF <sub>Female</sub>	Frequentist p-value	BF <sub>Male</sub>	Frequentist p-value	BF <sub>mod</sub>	Frequentist p-value
PDA medically or surgically treated	0.17	0.710	0.30	0.853	0.30	0.521	0.60	0.722
PDA surgically treated	1.35	0.046	1.06	0.141	1.06	0.156	0.90	0.989
Severe NEC	9.94	0.003	5.82	0.243	6.52	0.004	0.99	0.384
Treated ROP	3.36	<0.001	2.40	0.115	2.43	<0.001	0.98	0.212
Positive airway pressure with ETT at 36 weeks' PMA	0.47	0.966 <sup>a</sup>	0.73	0.118	0.72	0.273	1.15	0.055
Positive airway pressure without ETT at 36 weeks' PMA	1.32	0.065 <sup>a</sup>	1.07	0.032	0.99	0.282	0.83	0.369
Supplemental oxygen without positive airway pressure at 36 weeks' PMA	99.49	<0.001	49.31	<0.001	31.11	0.025	0.93	0.213
Moderate to severe BPD	14.44	0.001 <sup>a</sup>	12.32	<0.001 <sup>a</sup>	1.32	0.101 <sup>a</sup>	3.41	0.037 <sup>a</sup>
Discharged home on oxygen	0.30	0.866 <sup>a</sup>	0.46	0.783	0.46	0.638	0.83	0.536
Readmission to hospital	0.17	0.640	0.43	0.514	0.43	0.437	0.91	0.286

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