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## Abstract

**Objective**—To determine the effects of late surfactant on respiratory outcomes determined at one-year corrected age in the Trial of Late Surfactant (TOLSURF), which randomized extremely low gestational age newborns (ELGAN, 28 weeks' gestational age) ventilated at 7–14 days to late surfactant and inhaled nitric oxide versus inhaled nitric oxide-alone (control).

**Study design**—Caregivers were surveyed in a double-blinded manner at 3, 6, 9 and 12 months corrected age to collect information on respiratory resource utilization (infant medication use, home support and hospitalization). Infants were classified for composite outcomes of Pulmonary Morbidity (No PM, determined in infants with no reported respiratory resource utilization) and Persistent PM (determined in infants with any resource utilization in 3 surveys).

**Results**—Infants (n=450, late surfactant n=217, control n=233) were 25.3±1.2 weeks' gestation and 713±164g at birth. In the late surfactant group, fewer infants received home respiratory support than in the control group [35.8% versus 52.9%, Relative Benefit (RB) 1.28 (1.07, 1.55)]. There was no benefit of late surfactant for No PM versus PM (RB 1.27; 95% CI 0.89, 1.81) or No Persistent PM versus Persistent PM (RB 1.01; 95% CI 0.87, 1.17). After adjustment for imbalances in baseline characteristics, relative benefit of late surfactant treatment increased: RB 1.40 (95% CI 0.89, 1.80) for No PM and RB 1.24 (95% CI 1.08, 1.42) for No Persistent PM.

**Conclusion**—Treatment of ELGAN with late surfactant in combination with inhaled nitric oxide decreased use of home respiratory support and may decrease persistent pulmonary morbidity.

**Trial registration**—ClinicalTrials.gov: NCT01022580

## Keywords

bronchopulmonary dysplasia; prematurity; pulmonary morbidity; wheeze

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Extreme prematurity carries a risk of ongoing pulmonary morbidity and resource utilization following hospital discharge (1–4). Interventional trials of both drugs and respiratory support strategies in extremely low gestational age newborns (ELGAN) focus on decreasing the rate of bronchopulmonary dysplasia (BPD) at 36 weeks' post-menstrual age (PMA) (5–8). Although BPD is an imperfect predictor of later pulmonary morbidity (1, 4, 9), clinical trials have not reported broadly accepted later respiratory outcomes. Outcomes previously evaluated at 1–2 years of age include respiratory symptoms, medication use, respiratory exacerbations and hospitalizations due to respiratory disease (2–4, 10–12).

The Trial of Late Surfactant (TOLSURF) was a randomized, controlled, masked clinical trial in which ELGAN at high risk for BPD who remained intubated in the second week of life were randomized to late surfactant (up to 5 doses) and inhaled nitric oxide (iNO) versus iNO-alone (13). We found no difference in the primary outcome of survival without BPD at 36 weeks' PMA. However, a potential benefit of treatment with late surfactant emerged with a later respiratory assessment at 40 weeks' PMA (term). Data on respiratory resource utilization after hospital discharge were collected. We sought to determine if there were effects of late surfactant on several clinically-relevant respiratory outcomes determined through one-year corrected age. We hypothesized that late surfactant and iNO would improve respiratory outcomes compared to iNO-alone.

## METHODS

The TOLSURF study (ClinicalTrials.gov: NCT01022580) has been described in detail (13). Parental informed consent for participation was obtained under institutional review board approval at 25 US hospitals. In brief, 511 infants 28 0/7 weeks' gestational age (GA) underwent stratified randomization (< 26 weeks' GA or ≥ 26 weeks' GA) by site to late surfactant and iNO versus iNO-alone at 7–14 days (n = 252 and 259, respectively). Calfactant (Infasurf, ONY Inc, Amherst NY) was administered in standard doses every 1–3 days for up to 5 doses in the late surfactant group. Control (iNO-alone) infants had no intervention (sham procedure behind a screen to maintain blinding). All infants received iNO for a 25-day course, per the protocol of our prior study of Inhaled Nitric Oxide to Prevent Chronic Lung Disease (NO CLD) (14, 15). The primary outcome of TOLSURF was survival without BPD, determined by oxygen/flow reduction challenge at 36.0±1 weeks' PMA. Infants on nasal cannula support with effective  $FiO_2 < 0.30$  who remained hospitalized at 40 weeks' PMA had a repeat assessment. No statistically significant differences were identified in primary or secondary outcomes during the neonatal hospitalization (13). Clinical study personnel and families remained blinded to treatment group assignment through the follow-up period (completed February 2016). Unblinded outcomes were periodically reviewed by an NIH-appointed Data Safety Monitoring Board.

Parents/caregivers were surveyed at 3, 6, 9 and 12 months corrected age (for prematurity) for interval events since discharge or last contact. Responses to questions regarding respiratory medication prescription, hospitalization for respiratory illness and home respiratory support (supplemental oxygen by nasal cannula or tracheostomy with or without assisted ventilation/oxygen) were collated. Specific respiratory medication categories queried were inhaled bronchodilators (BD), inhaled corticosteroids (ICS), diuretics, systemic steroids and pulmonary vasodilators. We also asked caregivers if they had been told by a medical professional that their child had wheeze on auscultation. These questions were posed over the same time interval, since the last contact.

### Respiratory outcomes at one-year corrected age

We focused the analysis of pulmonary morbidity following neonatal discharge on caregiver-reported health resource utilization for respiratory indications in three domains (medications, hospitalization, and home support), using a short recall interval. We pre-determined several

outcomes to quantify the degree and type of morbidity experienced by these infants. Our primary outcomes were Pulmonary Morbidity (PM) and Persistent Pulmonary Morbidity. We assigned an outcome of No PM to infants whose caregivers reported no medications, hospitalizations or home respiratory support on any survey through 12 months corrected age.

We assigned an outcome of Any PM to all other infants. We defined Persistent PM in infants with morbidity on any domain on at least 3 surveys. Infants with morbidity on two or fewer surveys were classified as No Persistent PM. A committee of investigators who remained blinded to treatment assignment (RLK, EER, RAB) evaluated 37 infants with incomplete survey data who were unclassified for one or both outcomes, for adjudication of missing outcomes. Using simple imputation when data were missing between two other time points (*e.g.*, no resource utilization reported), and additional respiratory resource utilization data collected during follow up visits in the second year of life and among infants with prolonged neonatal hospitalizations beyond 3 months corrected age, we were able to impute either missing PM or PPM for eight infants, and both for one infant. Four infants had no follow up data, two had insufficient data for both outcomes (but contributed other data on resource utilization), and the remainder were unable to be classified for one missing outcome (Figure 1; available at [www.jpeds.com](http://www.jpeds.com)). Infants were classified as a wheezing phenotype if caregivers reported any ICS or BD use, or wheeze (versus no wheezing phenotype). They were sub-classified into four ordered categories of wheezing phenotype: Likely (ICS with/without BD use), Probable (BD use with/without wheeze), Possible (Wheeze without BD/ICS use), or None (no ICS, BD or wheeze).

### Statistical analyses

To estimate treatment effect, we used generalized estimating equations (GEE) to account for clustering of siblings. Analyses of baseline characteristics and potential modifiers of infant lung disease did not account for clustering. All analyses were by intent-to-treat, based on initial randomized allocation. Due to known impact of sociodemographic factors in post-discharge outcomes among extremely preterm infants, we planned *a priori* to adjust estimations of treatment effect for our primary outcomes (PM and Persistent PM) for differences ( $P<0.05$ ) in baseline characteristics noted between groups.

## RESULTS

Of 471 infants alive at 36 weeks' PMA and enrolled January 2010 and September 2013, 455 who remained in the study were discharged alive and 5 infants died after discharge without further follow-up data collected (Figure 1). Consistent with characteristics of the original study participants, infants with one-year follow up were predominantly male and averaged  $25.3\pm 1.2$  weeks' gestation, with birth weight  $713\pm 164$  grams (Table I) (13). The duration of mechanical ventilation was prolonged; 65% of infants had a diagnosis of BPD at 36 weeks' PMA and 37% had a diagnosis of BPD at 40 weeks' PMA. Eleven infants had undergone tracheostomy, six were receiving assisted ventilation at home and one was lost to follow up. There were significant baseline differences between late surfactant treated and control infants. Namely, infants in the late surfactant group had mothers who were 2 years younger

(with a trend to lower educational attainment), and there were fewer products of multiple gestation.

We also evaluated for differences in potential modifiers of infant lung disease identified from the caregiver discharge survey. These included potential environmental tobacco smoke exposure, anticipated breast milk feeding, furry pet exposure, private insurance status and parental history of asthma. There were no significant differences by treatment group, although there was a trend toward a lower proportion of parents with asthma in the late surfactant group (14.5% versus 21.9%,  $P=0.05$ ) (Table II; available at [www.jpeds.com](http://www.jpeds.com)).

Surveys were completed near the target dates ( $3.2\pm 0.6$ ,  $6.2\pm 0.7$ ,  $9.1\pm 0.6$ , and  $12.3\pm 0.8$  months corrected age), with 421, 423, 413 and 414 fully completed surveys at 3, 6, 9 and 12 months corrected age, respectively. We were able to classify 439 infants (97.6%) for Pulmonary Morbidity (No PM versus Any PM) and 426 infants for Persistent PM (No Persistent PM versus Persistent PM); 25% (110/439) of the infants had No PM, and 36% (153/426) had Persistent PM. Of infants who reported resource utilization, 96 had morbidity at only one survey, 80 at two surveys, 73 at three surveys, and 80 at four surveys. The distribution of respiratory outcomes of interest at one-year corrected age by treatment group is shown (Table III). No benefits of late surfactant on composite outcomes were seen in unadjusted analyses: Relative Benefit (RB) of treatment with late surfactant 1.27 (95% CI 0.89, 1.81;  $P=0.19$ ) for No PM and 1.01 (95% CI 0.87, 1.17;  $P=0.91$ ) for No Persistent PM. After adjustment for baseline imbalances (maternal age and multiple gestation status), the relative benefit of treatment with late surfactant increased to RB 1.40 (95% CI 0.96, 2.04;  $P=0.08$ ) for No PM, and RB 1.24 (95% CI 1.08, 1.42;  $P=0.003$ ) for No Persistent PM. With adjustment for parental history of asthma in sensitivity analyses, there were no significant benefits of treatment for either No PM nor No Persistent PM. There was also no difference between groups for our definition of wheezing phenotype.

To further describe the relationship of treatment to post-discharge domains of pulmonary morbidity, we plotted overall resource utilization and utilization in each domain (medications, home support and hospitalizations) at each survey time point by treatment group (Figure 2, AD). Resource utilization was higher in the control group at all time points except 9 months. The treatment effect on these domains was limited. However, the overall proportion of infants in the late surfactant group that received home respiratory support (predominantly home oxygen use) over the follow-up period was lower (RB 1.28, 95% CI 1.07, 1.55; Table III), consistent with the observed pattern of less support at each time point. We also evaluated the relationship of reported exposures to respiratory medication classes (diuretics, bronchodilators, inhaled corticosteroids, systemic steroids) and treatment group, at each survey (Figure 2, E–H). Diuretic use tended to be higher in controls and bronchodilator use tended to be higher in the late surfactant group. Only 9 infants reported pulmonary vasodilator therapy, so this exposure was not evaluated further.

## DISCUSSION

We demonstrated no substantial benefit of late surfactant as administered in TOLSURF on novel respiratory outcomes determined at one-year corrected age. However, there was

significantly less use of home respiratory support over the first year in infants in the late surfactant group, consistent with the trend previously shown toward decreased need for oxygen at 40 weeks' PMA (13). As no substantial adverse effects of late surfactant were found during the neonatal hospitalization, the current data further support the safety of late surfactant therapy in high risk ELGAN.

Many randomized trials in ELGAN aim to improve infant respiratory status during the neonatal hospitalization. A number of these have failed to identify benefit in the neonatal period but have subsequently demonstrated advantage in at least one measure of respiratory status at follow-up (4–6, 10, 12, 16). Although Zivanovic et al found no difference in symptomatic lung disease at follow-up, measures of air flow obstruction and diffusing capacity were less compromised in children who were randomized to primary high frequency ventilation compared to conventional mechanical ventilation (16). Davis et al demonstrated a trend toward fewer respiratory exacerbations requiring asthma medications by one-year corrected age in preterm infants receiving antioxidant therapy with recombinant human superoxide dismutase compared to controls (10). Similarly, Stevens et al demonstrated fewer respiratory exacerbations by 22 months corrected age in children randomized at birth to primary nasal continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) versus intubation with surfactant administration and mechanical ventilation (4). Akin to our findings, infants who were intubated and mechanically ventilated at 14 days of age and received a single dose of poractant alpha (Curosurf, Chiesi USA Inc., Cary NC) had lower rates of respiratory hospitalization by 9½ months corrected age, although there were no other significant differences in respiratory status during the neonatal hospitalization or among other follow-up outcomes (12).

The choice of respiratory outcomes after neonatal discharge in these and other studies has varied broadly, and has included symptoms, respiratory resource utilization (medications, hospitalization and home respiratory support) and measures of pulmonary function. Early and persistent decreases in pulmonary function are likely to have repercussions throughout life, even in the absence of symptoms (17, 18). Thus, pulmonary function testing can yield data that are relevant to clinicians and families. However, there is also a burden on children and families associated with persistent clinically symptomatic lung disease, related to repeated hospitalizations, exposures to multiple medications with potentially adverse effects, cost and other effects (1–4). For some clinical trials, multiple single areas (domains) of symptoms or resource utilization have been evaluated (2, 4). The NO CLD trial, for instance, showed benefit of iNO therapy in high-risk preterm infants both with neonatal respiratory outcomes and in multiple domains of post-discharge respiratory resource utilization at one-year corrected age, including medication use and home respiratory support (2). However, the SUPPORT trial, which investigated primary delivery room management with CPAP, did not show an effect on diagnosis of BPD at 36 weeks' PMA, but did demonstrate lower rates of wheeze and respiratory exacerbations at 6–22 months corrected age (4). Composite outcomes of respiratory status have had limited application in neonatal clinical trials, and prospective data collection toward outcomes as we have developed and analyzed in the current study have not been employed (9). Although both resource utilization and symptom reporting can be affected by socioeconomic status, biological variables also demonstrate associations with these later outcomes, making them plausible primary or secondary trial

outcomes (19–24). This is analogous to the use of neurodevelopmental impairment as an outcome, which is often assessed at 18–24 months corrected age, and is also influenced by socioeconomic status (25).

Given the young age of our cohort at the time of analysis, we explored a limited “wheezing phenotype” in this study, derived only from reported inhaled medication exposure and wheeze. We did not see a signal for treatment effect on this outcome, nor for the medication components of the outcome. This observation suggests that any effect of late surfactant with iNO on persistent lung disease may be distinct from wheezing illness commonly present in former preterm infants (which occur across the spectrum of preterm birth) (26). Earlier studies evaluating childhood respiratory outcomes prior to and following the advent of surfactant replacement therapy showed mild improvements or no change in prevalence of wheezing illness or airway obstruction in the surfactant era, despite an increase in survival of more immature infants (27, 28). These findings are in contrast to our prior findings with iNO-alone, wherein beneficial effects of iNO in the NO CLD study were seen on both classes of inhaled medications (2). Finally, although data supporting the association of parental asthma and preterm respiratory outcomes are variable, we did plan a sensitivity analysis as this characteristic is of interest with respect to childhood wheezing illness (29, 30).

With lack of effect on our wheezing phenotype, it is of interest that the treatment effect we did demonstrate was on the use of home respiratory support. In contrast to wheezing illness, the use of home oxygen is more specific to extremely preterm infants than to the broader population of preterm infants as a whole (31). Thus, the effect of late surfactant may be more specific to the perturbed lung development of ELGAN. Diuretics similarly are more common in this population, although we failed to show a significant benefit of late surfactant on diuretic exposure (32). Notably, the results of the current study represent the effects of late surfactant in infants receiving iNO, which, when administered by this protocol in the NO CLD study, decreased home oxygen use and respiratory medication exposure from all drug classes. Thus, the effects of late surfactant administration alone (without iNO), as administered by Hascoet et al, may differ from the effects seen in the current study (12).

The data for the current study were collected by caregiver recall, which may raise concerns regarding its accuracy. However, prior studies have shown that parents can report important events from the last 12 months (such as hospitalizations and medical visits for asthma and bronchitis), with moderate-to-substantial (85–95%) agreement with medical records (33, 34). In addition, test-retest reliability for questions related to respiratory illness administered to parents of preterm infants at 6 months corrected age revealed substantial-to-perfect agreement over the two tests, and strong internal consistency (35). Thus, within the short time frame of surveys for the current study, we would expect good accuracy and reliability of parent responses.

In conclusion, compared to iNO-alone, late surfactant decreases use of home respiratory support following initial hospital discharge. Unfortunately, we did not demonstrate a substantial benefit of late surfactant on our novel, composite respiratory outcomes. One possible explanation for the lack of benefit is that we didn't treat with late surfactant

frequently enough to achieve a persistent effect on lung function (13, 36). Regardless, these novel respiratory outcomes are clinically relevant and should be considered for assessment of the effects of interventions in neonatal clinical trials. Neurodevelopmental outcomes for this trial will be reported separately, however, from the current data, late surfactant with iNO appears to be a safe intervention, with no adverse effects demonstrated at one-year corrected age. These data are reassuring as we consider using surfactant as a vehicle for instillation of local corticosteroids to the lung, which may prove an effective therapy to prevent BPD in high risk ELGAN (37).

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## Abbreviations

<b><i>BD</i></b>	bronchodilator
<b><i>BPD</i></b>	bronchopulmonary dysplasia
<b><i>ELGAN</i></b>	extremely low gestational age newborn
<b><i>GA</i></b>	gestational age
<b><i>ICS</i></b>	inhaled corticosteroids
<b><i>iNO</i></b>	inhaled nitric oxide
<b><i>PM</i></b>	pulmonary morbidity
<b><i>PMA</i></b>	post-menstrual age
<b><i>TOLSURF</i></b>	Trial of Late Surfactant

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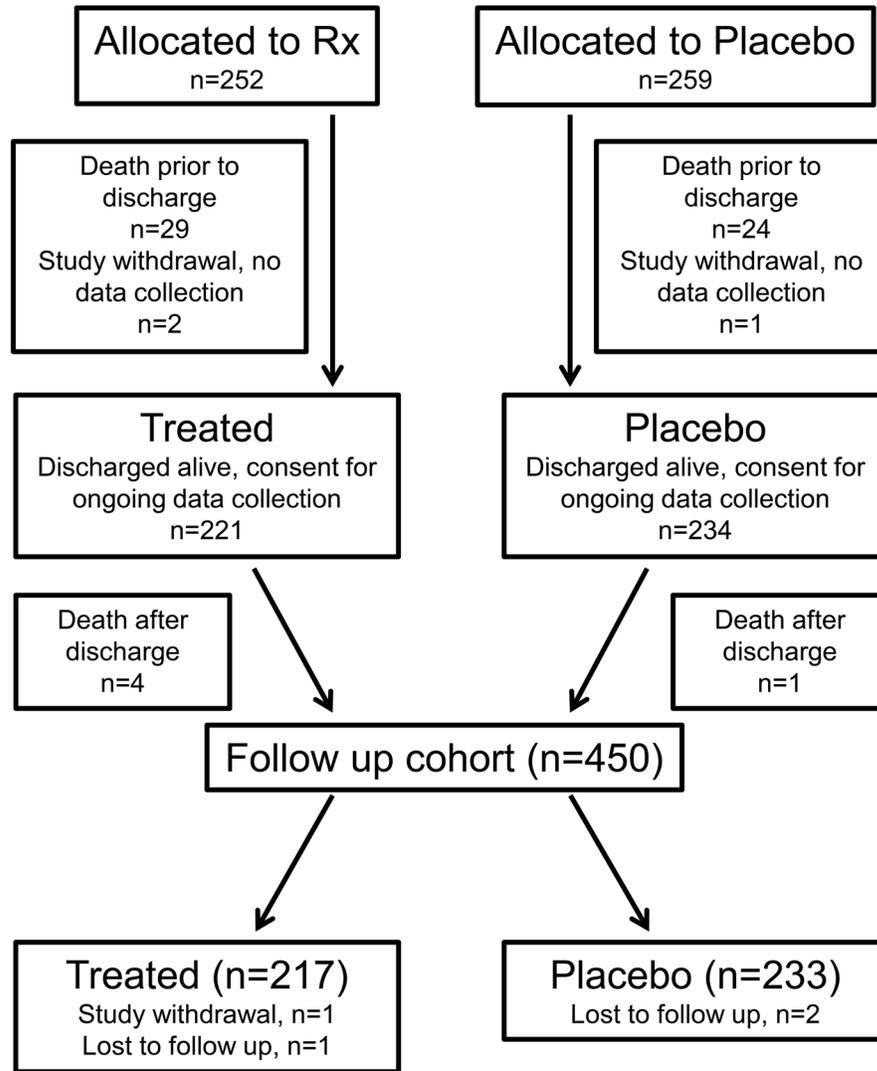
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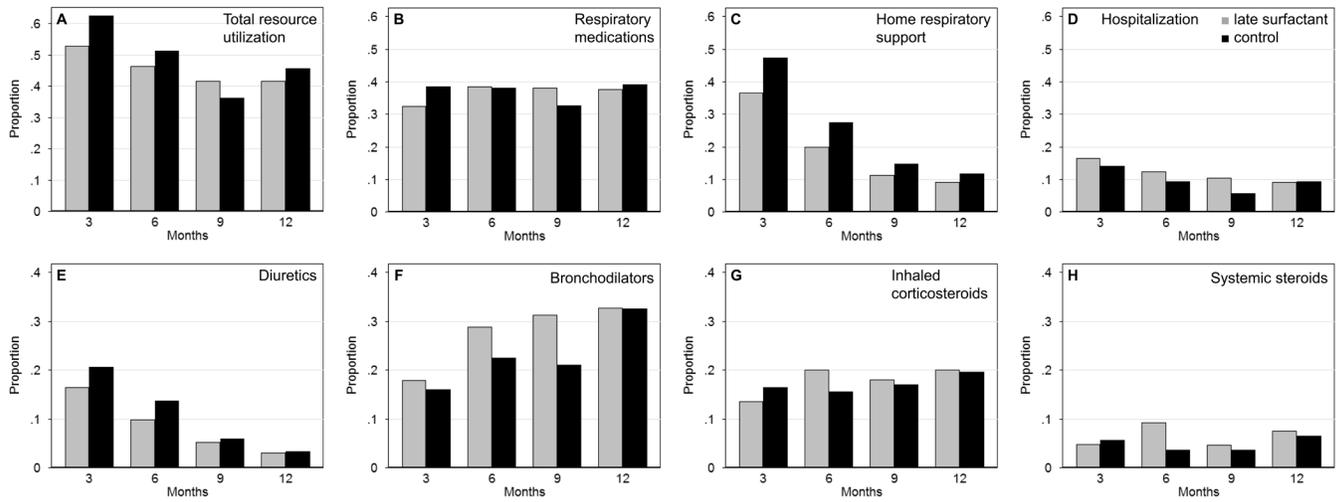
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**Figure 1.** (online only): Patient flow diagram. Deaths and study withdrawals prior to neonatal discharge detailed in Ballard *et al*, 2016 (13).



**Figure 2.** Proportion of infants with respiratory resource utilization at each survey time point, 3, 6, 9 and 12 months corrected age, in late surfactant and control groups: **A**, Total resource utilization, **B**, Respiratory medication exposure, **C**, Home respiratory support, **D**, Hospitalization for respiratory cause, and **E**, Diuretic, **F**, Bronchodilator, **G**, Inhaled corticosteroid and **H**, Systemic steroid exposure.

Table 1  
 Baseline characteristics and neonatal respiratory outcomes of infants discharged alive by treatment group (late surfactant versus control)

	Follow-up cohort (n=450)	Late surfactant (n=217)	Control (n=233)	P value
GA (weeks)	25.3±1.2	25.3±1.2	25.3±1.2	0.90
< 26 0/7 weeks*	310 (68.9)	148 (68.2)	162 (69.5)	0.76
Birth weight (g)	713±164	715±174	711±154	0.81
Intrauterine growth restriction	73 (16.2)	40 (18.4)	33 (14.2)	0.22
Antenatal steroids	388 (86.2)	184 (84.8)	204 (87.6)	0.11
Male sex	248 (55.1)	124 (57.1)	124 (53.2)	0.40
Multiple gestation	139 (30.9)	56 (25.8)	83 (35.6)	0.02
Multiple siblings enrolled	102 (22.7)	41 (18.9)	61 (26.2)	0.07
<i>Maternal characteristics</i>				
Race/ethnicity				0.47
White, non-Hispanic	220 (48.9)	101 (46.5)	119 (51.1)	
African American	159 (35.3)	82 (37.8)	77 (33.0)	
Hispanic	50 (11.1)	21 (9.7)	29 (12.4)	
Asian	13 (2.9)	5 (2.1)	8 (3.7)	
Other	8 (1.8)	5 (2.3)	3 (1.3)	
Age (y)	28.8±6.4	27.8±6.1	29.8±6.6	0.0007
Education				0.06
High school not complete	56 (12.4)	23 (10.6)	33 (14.2)	
High school graduate or some college	227 (50.4)	123 (56.7)	104 (44.6)	
College graduate ± graduate school	166 (36.9)	71 (32.7)	95 (40.8)	
Unknown	1 (0.2)	0	1 (0.4)	
<i>Neonatal respiratory outcomes</i>				
BPD at 36 weeks* PMA	291 (64.7)	140 (64.5)	151 (64.8)	0.95
BPD at 40 weeks* PMA	165 (36.7)	71 (32.7)	94 (40.3)	0.09
Duration of mechanical ventilation (d)	41.9±30.4	42.3±30.6	41.4±30.3	0.77

Data are mean ± standard deviation or n (%)

P value by t-test or chi-square

Intrauterine growth restriction 10<sup>th</sup> percentile for gestational age per fetal growth curves derived from Fenton and Kim, 2013 (38).

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**Table 2**

Potential modifiers of post-discharge pulmonary morbidity by treatment group (late surfactant versus control)

	Follow-up cohort (n=432)*	Late surfactant (n=211)	Control (n=221)	P value
Breast milk (full or partial) anticipated	195 (45.1)	91 (43.1)	104 (47.1)	0.41
Furry pet in home	178 (41.2)	85 (40.3)	93 (42.1)	0.70
Young child exposure anticipated	228 (52.8)	115 (54.5)	113 (51.1)	0.48
Potential ETS exposure	105 (24.3)	51 (24.2)	54 (24.4)	0.95
Private insurance	170/430 (39.5)	78/210 (37.1)	92/220 (41.8)	0.32
Asthma in parent	77/422 (18.2)	30/207 (14.5)	47/215 (21.9)	0.05

Data are n/N (%)

\* Missing data for infants not discharged to their biological parents' care (family history), and those discharged from non-study hospitals

P value by chi-square

*ETS*, environmental tobacco smoke

"Young child exposure anticipated" was classified as Yes if caregiver reported another child < 5 years in the home or anticipated a young child at day care.

"Potential ETS exposure" was classified as Yes if caregiver reported 1) a parent smokes, 2) there is a smoker living in the home, 3) smoking is allowed in home, or 4) the child will travel in vehicle where smoking is permitted.

"Breast milk anticipated" was classified as Yes if caregiver reported either a breast milk only diet or combination of breast milk and formula at discharge.

**Table 3**

Respiratory outcomes at one-year corrected age by treatment group.

	Follow-up cohort	Late surfactant	Control	Relative benefit (95% CI)
No pulmonary morbidity	110/439 (25.1)	59/210 (28.1)	51/229 (22.3)	1.27 (0.89, 1.81)
Persistent pulmonary morbidity	153/426 (35.9)	74/208 (35.6)	79/218 (36.2)	1.01 (0.87, 1.17)
Wheezing phenotype				
<i>Dichotomous</i>				
Any	291/436 (66.7)	140/210 (66.7)	151/226 (66.8)	0.99 (0.74, 1.31)
<i>Ordered*</i>				
Inhaled corticosteroid ± bronchodilator	134/436 (30.7)	66/210 (31.4)	68/226 (30.1)	
Bronchodilator ± wheeze	108/436 (24.8)	51/210 (24.3)	57/226 (25.2)	
Wheeze only	49/436 (11.2)	23/210 (11.0)	26/226 (11.5)	
None	145/436 (33.3)	70/210 (33.3)	75/226 (33.3)	
Post-discharge morbidity domains				
Respiratory hospitalization	121/428 (28.3)	60/205 (29.3)	61/223 (27.4)	0.97 (0.85, 1.10)
Home respiratory support	198/431 (45.9)	80/208 (38.5)	118/223 (52.9)	1.28 (1.07, 1.55)
Any respiratory medication exposure	277/438 (63.2)	132/211 (62.6)	145 (63.9)	1.07 (0.82, 1.40)
Diuretic	89/430 (20.7)	40/207 (19.3)	49/223 (22.0)	1.04 (0.94, 1.15)
Bronchodilator	221/435 (50.8)	110/210 (52.4)	111/225 (49.3)	0.95 (0.77, 1.16)
Inhaled corticosteroid	134/430 (31.2)	66/208 (31.7)	68/222 (30.6)	0.99 (0.87, 1.13)
Systemic steroid	70/430 (16.3)	37/208 (17.8)	33/222 (16.3)	0.97 (0.89, 1.06)

Data are n/N (%) and Relative benefit (95% confidence interval)

Relative benefit by generalized estimating equation, accounting for clustering of siblings

\* P value 0.97 by chi-square