

		S1 (n=163)	S2 (n=233)	OR (95%CI)	P-value
Primary outcome	Perinatal composite outcome (n, %)	59 (36)	84 (36)	0.99 (0.7-1.5)	0.98
	Perinatal death (n, %)	2 (1.2)	3 (1.3)	1.05 (0.2-5.7)	0.96
	NMV (n, %)	13 (8)	12 (5)	0.63 (0.3-1.4)	0.26
	Admission to NICU (n, %)	58 (36)	82 (35)	0.98 (0.6-1.5)	0.94
Secondary outcomes	Preterm Birth (n, %)	65 (40)	78 (33)	0.76 (0.5-1.2)	0.19
	RDS (n, %)	28 (17)	22 (9)	0.50 (0.3-0.9)	0.02
	Sepsis (n, %)	9 (6)	4 (2)	0.30 (0.09-0.9)	0.04
	NEC (n, %)	1 (0.6)	0 (0)	NS	0.41
	IVH (n, %)	2 (1.2)	2 (0.9)	NS	1

Table 2 Comparison of primary and secondary outcomes according to strategy

Perinatal composite outcome was considered positive when at least one of the following events occurred= NMV, need for NICU, or perinatal death. S1= Strategy 1, S2= Strategy 2. OR= odds ratio comparing Strategy 2 with 1. 95% CI: 95% confidence interval. NMV= need for mechanical ventilation. NICU= Neonatal Intensive Care Unit. RDS= Respiratory distress syndrome. NEC= necrotizing enterocolitis. IVH= intraventricular hemorrhage. The results are expressed with absolute and relative frequencies (%). NS= Not statistically significant.