**Supplementary Table**

**Table S1. Linear regression analysis evaluating influence of covariates on secondary outcome.**

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| *Covariates* | B | Std. Err. | β |
| **Overall** | Model 1 | *Gender* | 0.873 | 4.111 | 0.012 |
| *GA* | -5.259 \* | 0.888 | -0.368 |
| *Antenatal steroidsa* | 11.497 \* | 4.507 | 0.144 |
| *hs-PDA* | 12.062 \* | 5.020 | 0.150 |
| Model 2 | *Gender* | 2.329 | 4.046 | 0.032 |
| *BW* | -0.040 \* | 0.006 | -0.394 |
| *Antenatal steroidsa* | 12.440 \* | 4.430 | 0.156 |
| *hs-PDA* | 14.508 \* | 4.689 | 0.181 |
| **Gestational Age ≤ 28 weeks and Birth Weight** **≤ 1000 grams** | Model 1 | *Gender* | 1.006  | 14.949  | 0.009  |
| *GA* | -1.895  | 4.981  | -0053  |
| *Pregnancy-induced hypertension* | 31.294  | 18.823  | 0.239  |
| *hs-PDA* | 25.172  | 16.710  | 0.209  |
| Model 2 | *Gender* | 1.708  | 14.808  | 0.015  |
| *BW* | 0.021  | 0.052  | 0.054  |
| *Pregnancy-induced hypertension* | 29.976  | 18.184  | 0.229  |
| *hs-PDA* | 26.404  | 16.595  | 0.219  |

**Notes.** GA: Gestational Age; hs-PDA: hemodynamically significant Patent Doctus Arteriosus; BW: Birth weight; (a) Intramuscular steroid cycle in two doses of 12 mg over a 24-hour period; \* *p* < 0.05.