

Review of: "Delayed vs Early Umbilical Cord Clamping in 100 Preterm Infants: an RCT from Bhavnagar, Gujarat"

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1. Usually early cord clamping is soon after birth. Most studies have used one minute time after birth as delayed clamping. Authors included preterm babies from 28-37 weeks. Two minute time may be more for very preterm infants.
2. RCTs are registered with clinical trial registry of India. Why did the authors register with DCGI?. Only trials requiring regulatory approval only need to be registered with CDSCO.
3. Authors used percentage of preterm births for calculating sample size. They should have used the outcome for sample size calculation
4. After sample size calculation as 95, next flow chart shows 16 infants. Later flow charts show 100 infants. What is this 16 in Fig.3
5. Why the authors did not use PCV in place of hemoglobin? (PCV will be more ideal.)
6. Manuscript requires major revision