

## Appendix SA

### Search Terms

#### PubMed Search Terms:

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(((((brain ultrasound[MeSH Terms])) OR (cranial ultrasound[MeSH Terms])) OR (echoencephalography[MeSH Terms]))) OR ((intracranial hemorrhage[MeSH Terms]) OR (periventricular leucomalacia[MeSH Terms]) OR (intraventricular haemorrhage) OR (intraventricular hemorrhage) OR (intracranial pathology) OR (intracranial haemorrhage) OR (intracerebral haemorrhage) OR (intracerebral hemorrhage) AND ((((((fetal growth retardation[MeSH Terms]) OR (retardation, intrauterine growth[MeSH Terms])) OR (infant, small for gestational age[MeSH Terms])) OR ("growth restriction")) OR ("fetal growth restriction")) OR ("intrauterine growth restriction")) AND ((humans[Filter]) AND (english[Filter]))
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#### MEDLINE Search Terms:

- 1 Infant, Newborn/ or Infant, Premature/ or Obstetric Labor, Premature/ or Premature Birth/
- 2 (Late Pre?term or moderate Pre?term or pre?mature\* or term or neonate\* or newborn\*).tw.
- 3 Infant, Low Birth Weight/ or "Infant, Small for Gestational Age"/ or Infant, Very Low Birth Weight/

- 4 ((infant\* or neonate\*newborn\*) adj3 (low birth weight or small for gestational age)).tw.
- 5 \*Fetal Growth Retardation/ or \*Infant, Premature, Diseases/ or Intensive Care, Neonatal/ or Intensive Care Units, Neonatal/
- 6 (((fetal or foetal) adj (growth retardation or growth restriction)) or FGR).tw.
- 7 ((intrauterine adj (growth retardation or growth restriction)) or IUGR or 'growth restriction').tw.
- 8 Echoencephalography/ or Neonatal Screening/ or cranial ultrasound.tw. or CUS.tw. or brain ultrasound.tw.
- 9 \*Cerebellar Hemorrhage/ or \*Cerebral Hemorrhage/ or \*Cerebral Intraventricular Hemorrhage/ or \*Leu?omalacia, Periventricular/
- 10 ((h?emorrhage adj (intraventricular or periventricular or intracerebral or cerebellar)) or IVH or PIVH or periventricular leu?omalacia or PVL or intracranial h?emorrhage or intracranial pathology or intracerebral h?emorrhage).tw.
- 11 1 or 2
- 12 3 or 4 or 5 or 6 or 7
- 13 9 or 10
- 14 8 and 13
- 15 11 and 12 and 14
- 16 limit 15 to humans

EMBASE Search Terms:

- 1 Infant, Low Birth Weight/ or "Infant, Small for Gestational Age"/ or Infant, Very Low Birth Weight/
- 2 ((infant\* or neonate\*newborn\*) adj3 (low birth weight or small for gestational age)).tw.
- 3 \*Fetal Growth Retardation/ or \*Infant, Premature, Diseases/ or Intensive Care, Neonatal/ or Intensive Care Units, Neonatal/
- 4 (fetal growth retardation or fetal growth restriction or FGR).tw.
- 5 (intrauterine growth retardation or intrauterine growth restriction or IUGR).tw.
- 6 1 or 2 or 3 or 4 or 5
- 7 Echoencephalography/ or cranial ultrasound.tw. or CUS.tw. or brain ultrasound.tw.
- 8 (Echoencephalography/ or cranial ultrasound.tw. or CUS.tw. or brain ultrasound.tw.) and (abnormalit\* or defect\*).tw.
- 9 \*Cerebellar Hemorrhage/ or \*Cerebral Hemorrhage/ or \*Cerebral Intraventricular Hemorrhage/ or \*Leu?omalacia, Periventricular/
- 10 ((h?emorrhage adj (intraventricular or periventricular or intracerebral or cerebellar or intracranial)) or IVH or PIVH or periventricular leu?omalacia or PVL or intracranial pathology).tw.
- 11 7 and 9
- 12 7 and 10
- 13 7 or 8 or 11 or 12
- 14 6 and 13
- 15 limit 14 to human

## Appendix SB



### Data collection form

#### Intervention review – RCTs and non-RCTs

Adopted from: *Effective Practice and Organisation of Care (EPOC). Data collection form. EPOC Resources for review authors. Oslo: Norwegian Knowledge Centre for the Health Services; 2013. Available at: <http://epoc.cochrane.org/epoc-specific-resources-review-authors>*

<b>Review title or ID</b>

<b>Study ID</b> ( <i>surname of first author and year first full report of study was published e.g. Smith</i> )

<b>Report IDs of other reports of this study</b> ( <i>e.g. duplicate publications, follow-up studies</i> )

#### General Information

1. Date form completed	
2. Name/ID of person extracting data	
3. Report title	
4. Reference details	
5. Report author contact details	
6. Publication type	
7. Study funding source	
8. Possible conflicts of interest	
9. Notes:	

#### Eligibility

Study Characteristics	Review Inclusion Criteria	Yes/ No / Unclear	Location in text (pg & ¶/fig/table)
10. Type of study	Case Control	...	
	Cohort Study	...	

Study Characteristics	Review Inclusion Criteria	Yes/ No / Unclear	Location in text (pg & ¶/fig/table)
	Descriptive Study	...	
	Other design (specify): •	...	
11. Participants	...	...	
12. Subgroup analysis present for gestation		...	
13. Subgroup analysis present for weight criteria- SGA/FGR			
14. Cranial ultrasound performed postnatally			
15. Decision:			
16. Reason for exclusion			

**DO NOT PROCEED IF STUDY EXCLUDED FROM REVIEW**

## Population and setting

	Description	Location in text (pg & ¶/fig/table)
17. Population description		
18. Setting		
19. Inclusion criteria		
20. Exclusion criteria		
21. Method/s of recruitment of participants		

## Methods

	Descriptions as stated in report/paper	Location in text (pg & ¶/fig/table)
22. Aim of study		
23. Design		
24. Start date		
25. End date		

## Risk of Bias assessment

Domain	Risk of bias <i>Low/ High/Unclear</i>	Support for judgement	Location in text (pg & ¶/fig/table)
26. Incomplete outcome data	...		
27. Selective outcome reporting?	...		
28. Other bias	...		

## Participants

Provide overall data and, if available, comparative data for each intervention or comparison group.

	Description as stated in report/paper	Location in text (pg & ¶/fig/table)
29. Total no. infants included		

	Description as stated in report/paper	Location in text (pg & ¶/fig/table)
30. <b>Withdrawals and exclusions</b> <i>(if not provided below by outcome)</i>		
31. <b>Gestation included</b>		
32. <b>Gestation relevant to subgroup analysis</b>		
33. <b>Sex</b>		
34. <b>Co-morbidities</b>		
35. <b>Subgroups measured</b>		
36. <b>Subgroups reported</b>		
37. <b>Notes:</b>		

## Outcomes

	Description as stated in report/paper	Location in text (pg & ¶/fig/table)
38. <b>Outcome name</b>	Cranial ultrasound abnormalities	
39. <b>Time points measured</b>		
40. <b>Time points reported</b>		
41. <b>Outcome definition</b>		
42. <b>Person performing imaging</b>		
43. <b>Person reporting imaging</b>		

## Results

	Description as stated in report/paper				Location in text (pg & ¶/fig/table)
44. <b>Comparison</b>					
45. <b>Outcome</b>					
46. <b>Subgroup (with definition)</b>					
47. <b>Results</b>	<b>FGR/SGA Infants</b>		<b>AGA Infants</b>		
	No. events	No. participants	No. events	No. participants	

	Description as stated in report/paper	Location in text (pg & ¶/fig/table)
48. No. missing participants and reasons		
49. Key findings of study		
50. Statistical methods used and appropriateness of these methods		

### Applicability

51. Have important populations been excluded from the study?	... <i>Yes/No/Unclear</i>	
52. Does the study directly address the review question?	... <i>Yes/No/Unclear</i>	
53. Notes:		

### Other information

	Description as stated in report/paper	Location in text (pg & ¶/fig/table)
54. Key conclusions of study authors		
55. References to other relevant studies		
56. Correspondence required for further study information		
57. Further study information requested		
58. Correspondence received		

## Appendix SC

### Newcastle Ottawa Scale

#### COHORT STUDIES

Note: A study can be awarded a maximum of one star for each numbered item within the Selection and Outcome categories. A maximum of two stars can be given for Comparability

#### Selection

1. Representativeness of the exposed cohort
  - a. truly representative of the average neonatal population ★
  - b. somewhat representative of the average neonatal population ★
  - c. selected group of users eg nurses, volunteers
  - d. no description of the derivation of the cohort
2. Selection of the non exposed cohort
  - a. drawn from the same community as the exposed cohort ★
  - b. drawn from a different source
  - c. no description of the derivation of the non exposed cohort
3. Ascertainment of exposure
  - a. secure record (eg surgical records) ★
  - b. structured interview ★
  - c. written self report
  - d. no description
4. Demonstration that outcome of interest was not present at start of study
  - a. yes ★
  - b. no

#### Comparability

1. Comparability of cohorts on the basis of the design or analysis
  - a. study controls for weight ★
  - b. study controls for any additional factor ★ FGR vs SGA, steroid use, chorioamnionitis etc

#### Outcome

1. Assessment of outcome
  - a. independent blind assessment ★
  - b. record linkage ★
  - c. self report
  - d. no description
2. Was follow-up long enough for outcomes to occur
  - a. yes - US within the 1st week of life ★
  - b. no
3. Adequacy of follow up of cohorts
  - a. complete follow up - all subjects accounted for ★

- b. subjects lost to follow up unlikely to introduce bias - small number lost - > 80 % follow up, or description provided of those lost) ★
- c. follow up rate < 79% (select an adequate %) and no description of those lost
- d. no statement

**Newcastle Ottawa Scale: COHORT STUDIES**

	<u>Selection</u>				<u>Comparability</u>	<u>Outcome</u>			<u>Total</u>
	<b>Representativeness of the Exposed Cohort</b>	<b>Selection of the Non-Exposed Cohort</b>	<b>Ascertainment of Exposure</b>	<b>Demonstration That Outcome of Interest Was Not Present at Start of Study</b>	<b>Comparability of Cohorts on the Basis of the Design or Analysis</b>	<b>Assessment of Outcome</b>	<b>Was Follow-Up Long Enough for Outcomes to Occur</b>	<b>Adequacy of Follow Up of Cohorts</b>	
Berger, 1997	★ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>90% of infants born between 1984-1988 were included in the study</li> </ul>	★ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Same cohort analysed</li> </ul>	★ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Record based</li> </ul>	-	★ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Controlled for weight</li> </ul>	★ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Record linkage</li> </ul>	- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ultrasound performed day 5-8</li> </ul>	★ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>~90% of infants included</li> </ul>	★★★★★  Moderate Risk
Mercuri, 1998	- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Selected group → infants on PNW deemed as 'normal'</li> </ul>	★ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Same cohort analysed</li> </ul>	★ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Record based</li> </ul>	- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Unknown</li> </ul>	★ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Controlled for weight</li> </ul>	★ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Record linkage</li> </ul>	- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No infants enrolled when 6-48 hours of life, unknown timepoint for ultrasound to be performed</li> </ul>	- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>~ 32% of infants lost to follow up</li> </ul>	★★★★  Moderate Risk
Gilbert, 2003	★ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State-wide database in California used</li> <li>1.4 million deliveries over a 2-year period</li> </ul>	★ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All from same database</li> </ul>	★ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ICD-9 codes used</li> </ul>	- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Congenital malformations not excluded from</li> </ul>	★ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FGR vs non FGR</li> </ul>	★ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Record linkage</li> </ul>	- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Unknown</li> </ul>	★ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.9% of data from database excluded due to inconsistency</li> </ul>	★★★★★  Moderate Risk

	<p>included</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• &lt; 2% of deliveries in California not captured in database</li> <li>• 97.9% of reported singleton deliveries linked with records</li> </ul>			<p>database</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Given this, unlikely CUAs known antenatally would have been excluded</li> </ul>				<p>ncy with reported gestational age and birth weights</p>	
Baschat, 2007	<p>-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Selected group → multicentre- 12 academic perinatal centres with tertiary NICU.</li> <li>• Inclusion- normal fetal anatomy, AC &lt;5<sup>th</sup> centile, Abnormal UA doppler flow, normal fetal karyotype, intact membranes without evidence of chorioamnionitis and/or perinatal infection.</li> </ul>	<p>-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No non-exposed cohort included</li> </ul>	<p>★</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Records</li> </ul>	<p>★</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Normal fetal anatomy was an inclusion criterion</li> </ul>	<p>-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outcome of interest not controlled for</li> </ul>	<p>★</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Record linkage</li> </ul>	<p>-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unknown</li> </ul>	<p>-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No statement</li> </ul>	<p>★★★</p> <p>High Risk</p>
Valcamonico, 2007	<p>-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Selected group → &lt; 1000g and ≤ 34 weeks, without any morphological and/or chromosomal anomalies over a</li> </ul>	<p>-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No non-exposed cohort</li> </ul>	<p>★</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Record based</li> </ul>	<p>★</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Congenital malformations excluded from cohort</li> </ul>	<p>-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outcome of interest not controlled for</li> </ul>	<p>★</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Record linkage</li> </ul>	<p>-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unknown</li> </ul>	<p>-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No statement</li> </ul>	<p>★★★</p> <p>High Risk</p>

	5 year period and born in Brescia								
Marsoosi, 2012	- • Selected group-FGR infants admitted to the perinatology warn in Tehran	- • No non-exposed cohort included	★ • Record based	★ • Exclusion criteria- Intrauterine IVH and structural or chromosomal anomalies	★ • All infants given steroids	★ • Record linkage	★ • Ultrasounds performed until day 7	★ • 5% of infants did not have ultrasounds performed	★★★★★★ Moderate Risk
Ballardini, 2014	★ • All infants born at University Hospital in Italy between 33-36 <sup>+6</sup> weeks included	★ • Same cohort analysed	★ • NEOCARE database used	★ • Data on known malformations collected	★ • Controlled for weight <10 <sup>th</sup> and < 3 <sup>rd</sup> centiles	★ • Record linkage	- • Screened between 3-7 <sup>th</sup> day and repeated depending on result and gestational age	★ • No infants lost to follow up	★★★★★★ ★ Low Risk
Tul, 2015	★ • National registry used with birth data collected over a 10-year period	★ • Same cohort analysed	★ • Record based	- • Unknown	★ • Controlled for weight	★ • Record linkage	- • Unknown	★ • All infants in dataset were included	★★★★★★ Moderate Risk
Starcevic, 2016	- • Selected group → 60 infants with late onset FGR	- • No non-exposed cohort included	★ • Record based	★ • Congenital anomalies excluded	- • Outcome of interest not controlled for	★ • Record linkage	★ • Ultrasounds performed on day 1,3 and 7	★ • All subjects accounted for	★★★★★★ Moderate Risk

Krishnamurthy, 2017	- • Selected group → Infants < 10 <sup>th</sup> centile over a 4 year period in a tertiary hospital in Melbourne	- • No non-exposed cohort included	★ • Record based	- Congenital malformations not separated from results	- • Outcome of interest not controlled for	★ • Record linkage	- • Unknown	★ • 1% of study population excluded due to incomplete information	★★★ High Risk
Stimac, 2019	- • Selected group → Croatian hospital database used – tertiary centre which cares for population of 500,000 • 7 year period of deliveries included • Infants < 5 <sup>th</sup> centile based on Croatian standard birth weights included	- • No non-exposed cohort included	★ • Records from database	- • Unknown	- • Outcome of interest not controlled for	★ • ICD-10 codes from records used	- • Unknown	- • No statement	★★ High Risk
Medina-Alva, 2019	-	- • No non-exposed cohort	★ • Record based	★	- • Outcome of interest not controlled for	★	★	-	★★★★ Moderate Risk
Turcan, 2020	★ • Hospital based database (in Bucharest) over 3	★ • Same cohort analyse	★ • Record based	- • Congenital malformations not	★ • Controlled for weight	★ • Record linkage	★ • Unknown	- • No statement	★★★★★★ Moderate

	years	d		separated from results					Risk
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## Newcastle Ottawa Scale

### CASE CONTROL STUDIES

Note : A study can be awarded a maximum of one star for each numbered item within the Selection and Exposure categories. A maximum of two stars can be given for Comparability

#### Selection

1. Is the case definition adequate?
  - a. yes, with independent validation ★
  - b. yes, eg record linkage or based on self-reports
  - c. no description
2. Representativeness of the cases
  - a. consecutive or obviously representative series of cases ★
  - b. potential for selection biases or not stated
3. Selection of Controls
  - a. community controls ★
  - b. hospital controls
  - c. no description
4. Definition of Controls
  - a. no history of disease (CUAs) ★
  - b. no description of source

#### Comparability

1. Comparability of cases and controls on the basis of the design or analysis
  - a. study controls for weight ★
  - b. study controls for any additional factor ★ (Steroid use)

#### Exposure

1. Ascertainment of exposure
  - a. secure record ★
  - b. structured interview where blind to case/control status ★
  - c. interview not blinded to case/control status
  - d. written self-report or medical record only
  - e. no description
2. Same method of ascertainment for cases and controls
  - a. yes ★
  - b. no
3. Non-Response rate
  - a. same rate for both groups ★
  - b. non respondents described
  - c. rate different and no designation

**Newcastle Ottawa Scale: CASE CONTROL STUDIES**

	<u>Selection</u>				<u>Comparability</u>	<u>Exposure</u>			<u>Total</u>
	<b>Is the Case Definition Adequate</b>	<b>Representativeness of the Cases</b>	<b>Selection of Controls</b>	<b>Definition of Controls</b>	<b>Comparability of Cases and Controls on the Basis of the Design or Analysis</b>	<b>Ascertainment of Exposure</b>	<b>Same method of ascertainment for cases and controls</b>	<b>Non-Response Rate</b>	
Rocha, 2010	★ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Infants &lt; 10<sup>th</sup> centile based on American growth charts born 34-36 weeks</li> </ul>	- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Potential for selection bias not stated</li> </ul>	- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hospital based controls</li> </ul>	★ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Infants born at the same gestation with weight between 10-89<sup>th</sup> centile</li> </ul>	★ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Study controls for weight</li> </ul>	★ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medical records used</li> </ul>	★ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Retrospectively recruited for both</li> </ul>	- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No statement</li> </ul>	★★★★★  ★ Moderate Risk

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