

	Mode of ventilation		
	MD-nCPAP (N=17)	bCPAP (N=15)	
Variable	Median (IQR)	Median (IQR)	<i>P</i> -value
Gestational age (weeks)	28.00 (27-29)	27.00 (26-28)	0.096
Age (days)	20.00 (14-28)	17.00 (15-25)	0.412
Corrected gestational age (weeks)	31.86 (31-33)	30.00 (29-31)	0.006*
Birth weight (g)	1015.00 (870-1300)	960.00 (855-1070)	0.324
Current weight (g)	1340.00 (1084-1490)	1137.00 (973-1367)	0.178
FiO2 (%)	21.00 (21-21)	21.00 (21-22)	0.941
PEEP (cm H2O)	5.00 (5-5)	5.00 (5-6)	0.941
Lung Ultrasound Score	2.00 (0-3)	2.00 (1-4)	0.757
Feeding volume (mL/feed)	25.00 (22-28)	21.00 (18-25)	0.105
Caloric intake (cal/oz)	24.00 (24-24)	24.00 (24-24)	0.478
Feeding duration (min)	60.00 (30-60)	60.00 (30-65)	0.941

**TABLE 1** Patient characteristics for continuous variables. \*Statistically significant difference.