

**AUTOMATIC VERSUS MANUAL OXYGEN TITRATION USING A NOVEL NASAL
HIGH-FLOW DEVICE IN MEDICAL INPATIENTS WITH AN ACUTE ILLNESS: A
RANDOMISED CONTROLLED TRIAL**

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

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METHODS

Withdrawal criteria

- Sustained (> 10 minutes) requirement for >50% FiO₂ (92-96% group) or >40% FiO₂ (88-92% group) at rest
- Sustained (> 10 minutes) requirement for FiO₂ in excess of the maximum allowed limit to maintain target SpO₂. The maximum allowed limit is defined as the FiO₂ at the start of the randomized treatment plus 10
- An increase in FiO₂ of 10 is insufficient to maintain target SpO₂. This may be lower than the maximum allowed FiO₂ if the oxygen concentration has been decreased since the start of the randomised treatment.
- Requirement for a target SpO₂ range other than 88-92% or 92-96% as determined by the participant's medical team after enrollment
- Requirement for NIV, CPAP or endotracheal intubation
- Admission to ICU
- Ineligibility (either arising during the trial or retrospectively having been overlooked at screening)
- Significant protocol deviation
- Significant non-compliance with trial requirements
- An adverse event which requires discontinuation of the trial
- Any concern over participant safety

RESULTS**Table S1: Difference in blood gas parameters between interventions**

	Mean difference (automatic minus manual) adjusted for baseline (95% CI)	P value
pH	-0.001 (-0.02 to 0.02)	0.94
PCO₂ (mmHg)	0.50 (-2.0 to 3.0)	0.68
PO₂ (mmHg)	-3.1 (-14.7 to 8.6)	0.59