Table 3Characteristics of infants in relation to the primary outcome BPD

Characteristic	No BPD	BPD	P
Birth weight (g; median [range])	975 (532 to 1,360)	695 (460 to 1,080)	< 0.005
Gestational age $<$ 27 weeks (n [%])	13 (38.2)	15 (75)	0.009
Male (n [%])	19 (55.9)	12 (60)	0.497
Sepsis (suspected or confirmed; n [%])	2 (5.9)	3 (15.8)	0.239
PDA (suspected or definite; n [%])	24 (72.7)	14 (73.7)	0.603
ROP (n [%])	13 (38.2)	13 (68.4)	0.03
Supplemental oxygen (days; median [range])	31.5 (2 to 88)	68 (37 to 91)	< 0.005
Mechanical ventilation (days; median [range])	3 (0 to 38)	37 (1 to 77)	< 0.005

BPD, bronchopulmonary dysplasia; ROP(Retinopathy of Prematurity, a disease that affects immature vasculature in the eyes of premature babies leading to significantly decreased vision). PDA (Patent Ductus Arteriosus, a persistent connection between the aorta and the pulmonary artery).

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