

Supplementary Table 1. Clinical characteristics of patients enrolled and not enrolled during the study period

Variable	Unenrolled patient (n = 52)	Enrolled patient (n = 13)	P-value
Age (yr)	66 (57–77)	70 (60–75)	0.35
Male sex	28 (54)	10 (77)	0.13
Body mass index (kg/m²)	23.2 (19.8–25.4)	24.9 (21.7–25.7)	0.23
APACHE II score	23 (17–30)	25 (20–35)	0.37
SOFA score	9 (5–13)	9 (5–12)	0.99
SAPS II	50 (34–70)	54 (39-66)	0.79
Reason for mechanical ventilation			0.26
Respiratory	37 (71)	9 (69)	
Cardiovascular	13 (25)	2 (15)	
Sepsis or septic shock	2 (4)	2 (15)	
Duration of mechanical ventilation (day)	3 (2-6)	5 (3-7)	0.17
Length of ICU stay (day)	6 (3–10)	8 (6–10)	0.27

Values are presented as median (interquartile range) or number (%).

APACHE: Acute Physiology and Chronic Health Evaluation; SOFA: Sequential Organ Failure Assessment; SAPS: Simplified Acute Physiology Score; ICU: intensive care unit.