

**Acute hypoxaemic respiratory failure after treatment with lower tidal volume ventilation facilitated by extracorporeal carbon dioxide removal: long-term outcomes from the REST randomised trial**

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**Supplementary appendix**

**Table S1: Baseline characteristics of patients that did not respond to any questionnaires 1-year following randomisation**

|   | <b>Intervention</b><br>(n = 121) | <b>Standard care</b><br>(n = 130) |
|---|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>Age (years)</b>  | 61.6 [51.6, 71.7]                | 63.5 [50.8, 69.9]                 |
| <b>Female – N (%)</b>   | 33 (27%)                         | 47 (36%)                          |
| <b>Dependency prior to hospital admission – N (%)</b>         |                                  |                                   |
| Able to live without assistance                               | 92 (88%)                         | 98 (86%)                          |
| Minor assistance  | 10 (10%)                         | 14 (12%)                          |
| Major assistance  | 1 (1%)                           | 2 (2%)                            |
| Total assistance  | 1 (1%)                           | 0 (0%)                            |
| <b>Predicted body weight (kg) <sup>b</sup></b>                | 66.9 [59.7, 73.3]                | 66.0 [55.2, 71.5]                 |
| <b>ICU admission diagnostic category – N (%) <sup>c</sup></b> |                                  |                                   |
| Respiratory   | 108 (90%)                        | 111 (85%)                         |
| Sepsis  | 56 (47%)                         | 67 (52%)                          |
| Cardiovascular  | 28 (23%)                         | 32 (25%)                          |
| Kidney  | 25 (21%)                         | 27 (21%)                          |
| Gastrointestinal  | 14 (12%)                         | 17 (13%)                          |
| Central Nervous System  | 11 (9%)                          | 7 (5%)                            |
| Other   | 8 (7%)                           | 8 (6%)                            |
| Toxicology  | 4 (3%)                           | 6 (5%)                            |
| Haematology   | 6 (5%)                           | 9 (7%)                            |
| Orthopaedic   | 1 (1%)                           | 5 (4%)                            |
| <b>ARDS present at enrolment <sup>d</sup></b>                 | 76/120 (63%)                     | 86/127 (68%)                      |
| <b>Aetiology of ARDS – N (%) <sup>c</sup></b>                 |                                  |                                   |
| Pneumonia   | 64 (84%)                         | 71 (83%)                          |
| Sepsis  | 35 (46%)                         | 48 (56%)                          |
| Gastric content aspiration                                    | 4 (5%)                           | 9 (10%)                           |
| Other   | 4 (5%)                           | 6 (7%)                            |
| Pancreatitis  | 4 (5%)                           | 0 (0%)                            |
| Thoracic trauma   | 2 (3%)                           | 2 (2%)                            |
| Smoke / toxin inhalation                                      | 0 (0%)                           | 1 (1%)                            |
| <b>APACHE II score at ICU Admission <sup>e</sup></b>          | 19 [15,24]                       | 21 [16,24]                        |
| <b>SOFA score <sup>f</sup></b>                                | 10 [7,13]<br>n=117               | 10 [7,12]<br>n=122                |

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| <b>Mode of Ventilation</b> – N (%)                                 |                             |                             |
| Mandatory  | 90 (75%)                    | 97 (75%)                    |
| Mandatory and spontaneous breaths                                  | 28 (23%)                    | 26 (20%)                    |
| Spontaneous  | 2 (2%)                      | 6 (5%)                      |
| <b>Adjunctive ventilatory therapies</b> – N (%)                    |                             |                             |
| Neuro-Muscular Blocking Drugs                                      | 61 (51%)                    | 65 (50%)                    |
| Prone Positioning  | 16 (13%)                    | 19 (15%)                    |
| Inhaled Nitric Oxide   | 5 (4%)                      | 4 (3%)                      |
| Nebulized Epoprostenol   | 2 (2%)                      | 3 (2%)                      |
| <b>Tidal volume</b> (mL/kg PBW)                                    | 6.3 [5.9,7.0]<br>n=120      | 6.5 [5.9,7.0]<br>n=128      |
| <b>Respiratory rate</b> (breaths/min)                              | 24 [20,28]<br>n=120         | 24 [20,26]<br>n=129         |
| <b>PEEP</b> (cm H <sub>2</sub> O)                                  | 10 [8,12]<br>n=120          | 10 [8,12]<br>n=128          |
| <b>Plateau pressure</b> (cm H <sub>2</sub> O)                      | 27 [24,30]<br>n=99          | 27 [23,30]<br>n=103         |
| <b>Driving pressure</b> (cm H <sub>2</sub> O) <sup>g</sup>         | 15 [12,20]<br>n=99          | 16 [13,21]<br>n=103         |
| <b>PaO<sub>2</sub> / FiO<sub>2</sub> ratio</b> (mmHg) <sup>h</sup> | 117.8 [93.8,134.3]<br>n=119 | 116.3 [97.9,133.5]<br>n=124 |
| <b>PaCO<sub>2</sub></b> (mmHg)                                     | 53.3 [47.3,64.5]<br>n=119   | 55.2 [48.8,62.7]<br>n=125   |
| <b>pH</b>  | 7.30 [7.23,7.36]<br>n=119   | 7.30 [7.24,7.37]<br>n=124   |

Data presented as median [interquartile range] unless otherwise stated.

Abbreviations: ARDS, Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome; APACHE, Acute Physiology and Chronic Health Evaluation; SOFA, Sequential Organ Failure Assessment; PEEP, positive end-expiratory pressure; FiO<sub>2</sub>, fraction of inspired oxygen; PaO<sub>2</sub>, partial pressure of arterial oxygen; PaCO<sub>2</sub>, partial pressure of arterial carbon dioxide.

a. Baseline clinical data were collected in the 24 hours prior to randomisation unless stated otherwise. If more than one value was available for this 24-hour period, the value closest but prior to the time of randomisation was recorded.

b. The predicted body weight of male patients was calculated as equal to 50+0.91 (centimetres of height-152.4); that of female patients was calculated as equal to 45.5+0.91 (centimetres of height-152.4)

- c. Patients may have had more than one admission diagnostic category or cause of ARDS identified.
- d. The presence of ARDS was assessed by the treating physician.
- e. Scores on the Acute Physiology and Chronic Health Evaluation (APACHE) II range from 0 to 71, with higher scores indicating greater severity of illness.
- f. Scores on the Sequential Organ Failure Assessment (SOFA) scale range from 0 to 24, with higher scores indicating greater severity of disease.
- g. Driving Pressure = Plateau Pressure - PEEP
- h. Second qualifying PaO<sub>2</sub>/FiO<sub>2</sub> ratio.

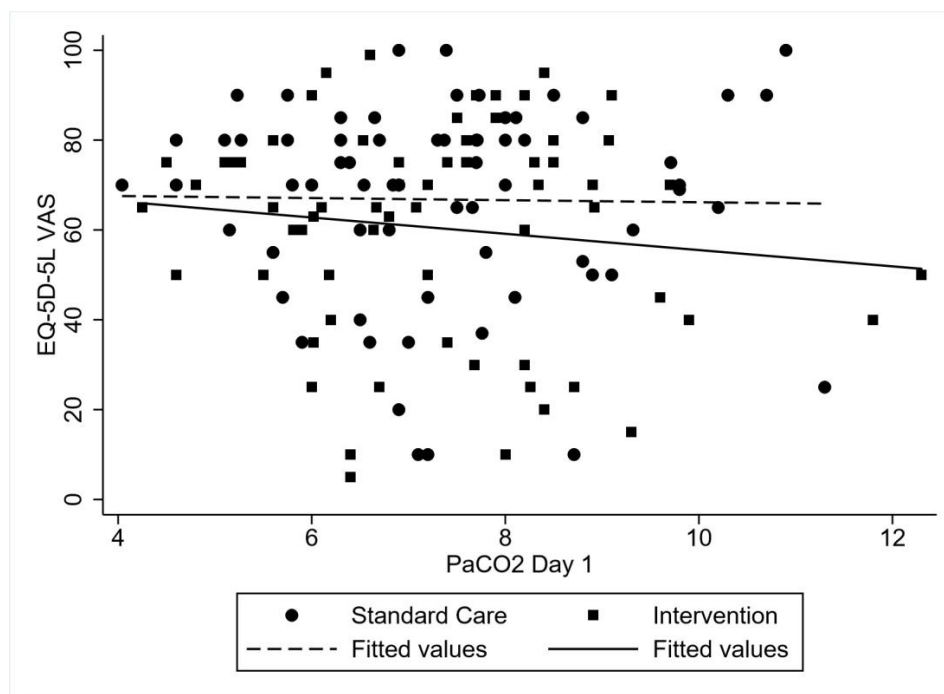
**Table S2: Daily ventilation parameters**

|   | <b>Intervention</b> | <b>Standard care</b> | <b>Mean Difference<br/>(95% CI)</b> |
|---|---------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Tidal volume mL/kg PBW</b>                       |                     |                      |                                     |
| Day 2   | 4.5(1.8) n= 81      | 6.5(1.8) n= 79       | 2.0(1.4, 2.6)                       |
| Day 3   | 4.4(2.0) n= 79      | 6.7(2.0) n= 76       | 2.3(1.7, 3.0)                       |
| Day 4   | 5.2(2.5) n= 79      | 7.0(1.8) n= 72       | 1.8(1.1, 2.5)                       |
| Day 5   | 5.7(2.4) n= 75      | 7.0(2.1) n= 70       | 1.3(0.6, 2.0)                       |
| Day 6   | 6.0(2.4) n= 70      | 7.1(2.1) n= 69       | 1.2(0.4, 1.9)                       |
| Day 7   | 6.3(2.6) n= 66      | 7.1(1.8) n= 65       | 0.8(0.0 1.6)                        |
| <b>PaO<sub>2</sub>/FiO<sub>2</sub> ratio (mmHg)</b> |                     |                      |                                     |
| Day 1   | 151.5(52.3) n= 81   | 144.3(41.6) n= 80    | -7.2(-22.0, 7.5)                    |
| Day 2   | 151.2(48.2) n=81    | 172.2(68.6) n= 79    | 21.1(2.6, 39.6)                     |
| Day 3   | 157.3(47.4) n= 79   | 177.7(66.8) n= 77    | 20.5(2.2, 38.7)                     |
| Day 4   | 166.4(58.5) n=79    | 182.9(64.9) n= 74    | 16.6(-3.2, 36.3)                    |
| Day 5   | 172.3(58.3) n= 75   | 186.8(60.8) n= 72    | 14.5(-4.9, 34.0)                    |
| Day 6   | 184.8(72.3) n= 73   | 201.4(72.3) n= 71    | 16.6(-7.2, 40.5)                    |
| Day 7   | 204.4(76.7) n= 69   | 201.0(68.3) n= 70    | -3.3(-27.7, 21.0)                   |
| <b>PEEP (cm H<sub>2</sub>O)</b>                     |                     |                      |                                     |
| Day 1   | 11.3 (2.8) n= 81    | 11.0 (3.0) n= 80     | -0.3(-1.2, 0.6)                     |
| Day 2   | 11.4 (3.0) n= 80    | 11.1 (2.8) n= 78     | -0.2(-1.2, 0.7)                     |
| Day 3   | 11.5(3.2) n= 78     | 10.1 (2.9) n= 76     | -1.3(-2.3, -0.4)                    |
| Day 4   | 11.1(3.4) n= 77     | 9.8(2.8) n= 71       | -1.3(-2.3, -0.2)                    |
| Day 5   | 10.4(3.5) n=71      | 9.4(2.5) n= 71       | -0.9(-1.9, 0.1)                     |
| Day 6   | 9.6(3.3) n= 68      | 9.3(2.6) n= 69       | -0.3(-1.3, 0.7)                     |
| Day 7   | 9.5(3.6) n= 62      | 9.0(2.5) n= 65       | -0.5(-1.6, 0.6)                     |
| <b>Plateau Pressure (cm H<sub>2</sub>O)</b>         |                     |                      |                                     |
| Day 1   | 24.7(4.8) n= 61     | 26.0(5.3) n= 57      | 1.4(-0.5, 3.2)                      |
| Day 2   | 22.9(5.2) n= 59     | 25.4(5.0) n= 59      | 2.6(0.7, 4.4)                       |
| Day 3   | 22.6(5.4) n=59      | 22.8(5.6) n= 58      | 0.1(-1.9, 2.2)                      |
| Day 4   | 22.2(5.9) n= 59     | 22.4(6.0) n= 44      | 0.3(-2.1, 2.6)                      |
| Day 5   | 22.3(6.0) n= 49     | 23.2(6.7) n= 40      | 0.9(-1.8, 3.6)                      |
| Day 6   | 21.7(5.6) n= 46     | 22.0(6.5) n=35       | 0.3(-2.4, 3.0)                      |
| Day 7   | 19.9(6.0) n= 38     | 21.6(6.5) n= 34      | 1.7(-1.3, 4.6)                      |
| <b>Driving Pressure (cm H<sub>2</sub>O)</b>         |                     |                      |                                     |

|                                | <b>Intervention</b> | <b>Standard care</b> | <b>Mean Difference<br/>(95% CI)</b> |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Day 1                          | 13.5(5.3) n= 61     | 15.2(4.9) n= 57      | 1.7 (-0.1, 3.6)                     |
| Day 2                          | 11.5(4.7) n= 58     | 14.3(5.5) n= 58      | 2.8 (0.9, 4.6)                      |
| Day 3                          | 11.1(4.8) n= 59     | 12.7(4.9) n= 57      | 1.6 (-0.2, 3.4)                     |
| Day 4                          | 10.8(5.5) n= 58     | 12.6(5.1) n= 43      | 1.8 (-0.4, 3.9)                     |
| Day 5                          | 12.0 (6.0) n= 48    | 13.8 (5.6) n= 40     | 1.9 (-0.6, 4.4)                     |
| Day 6                          | 12.2(5.6) n= 46     | 12.3(6.1) n= 35      | 0.1 (-2.5, 2.7)                     |
| Day 7                          | 10.6 (6.0) n= 38    | 12.2 (5.2) n= 34     | 1.6 (-1.1, 4.2)                     |
| <b>PaCO<sub>2</sub> (mmHg)</b> |                     |                      |                                     |
| Day 1                          | 54.3(12.3) n= 80    | 55.6(11.8) n= 80     | 1.2(-2.5, 5.0)                      |
| Day 2                          | 61.5(13.7) n= 81    | 53.1(11.2) n= 79     | -8.4(-12.3, -4.5)                   |
| Day 3                          | 61.2(14.7) n= 79    | 52.7(11.5) n= 77     | -8.5(-12.7, -4.3)                   |
| Day 4                          | 58.4(1.9) n= 79     | 51.7(11.8) n= 75     | -6.7(-11.3, -2.1)                   |
| Day 5                          | 55.5(17.7) n= 76    | 49.8(11.9) n= 73     | -5.7(-10.6, -0.7)                   |
| Day 6                          | 52.3(13.9) n= 74    | 47.9(11.6) n= 72     | -4.3(-8.5, -0.1)                    |
| Day 7                          | 50.2(14.0) n= 71    | 47.1(11.6) n= 71     | -3.1(-7.4, 1.1)                     |
| <b>Respiratory Rate</b>        |                     |                      |                                     |
| Day 1                          | 24.0(4.7) n= 81     | 24.1(5.6) n= 80      | 0.05 (-1.6, 1.7)                    |
| Day 2                          | 26.5(5.7) n= 81     | 24.8(6.2) n= 79      | -1.7(-3.5, 0.2)                     |
| Day 3                          | 27.4(6.3) n= 80     | 24.6(6.5) n= 77      | -2.8(-4.8, -0.8)                    |
| Day 4                          | 26.5(6.8) n= 80     | 24.7(7.0) n= 75      | -1.7(-3.9, 0.5)                     |
| Day 5                          | 25.3(7.4) n= 78     | 24.6(6.6) n= 74      | -0.7(-2.9, 1.6)                     |
| Day 6                          | 25.0(8.1) n= 75     | 24.8(7.4) n= 73      | -0.3(-2.8, 2.3)                     |
| Day 7                          | 25.8 (8.0) n= 73    | 24.5 (7.7) n= 70     | -1.3(-3.9, 1.3)                     |
| <b>pH</b>                      |                     |                      |                                     |
| Day 1                          | 7.3(0.09) n= 79     | 7.3(0.11) n= 80      | -0.02(-0.05, 0.01)                  |
| Day 2                          | 7.3(0.08) n= 76     | 7.3(0.08) n= 77      | 0.05(0.02, 0.07)                    |
| Day 3                          | 7.3(0.07) n= 74     | 7.4(0.08) n= 75      | 0.04(0.01, 0.06)                    |
| Day 4                          | 7.4(0.09) n= 79     | 7.4(0.09) n= 75      | 0.02(-0.01, 0.04)                   |
| Day 5                          | 7.4(0.1) n= 76      | 7.4(0.08) n= 73      | 0.01(-0.02, 0.04)                   |
| Day 6                          | 7.4(0.09) n= 74     | 7.4(0.08) n= 72      | 0.01(-0.01, 0.04)                   |
| Day 7                          | 7.4(0.08) n= 71     | 7.4(0.07) n= 71      | 0.01(-0.01, 0.04)                   |
| <b>Minute Volume</b>           |                     |                      |                                     |
| Day 1                          | 9.2(2.6) n= 81      | 9.8(2.3) n= 80       | 0.6(-0.2, 1.4)                      |

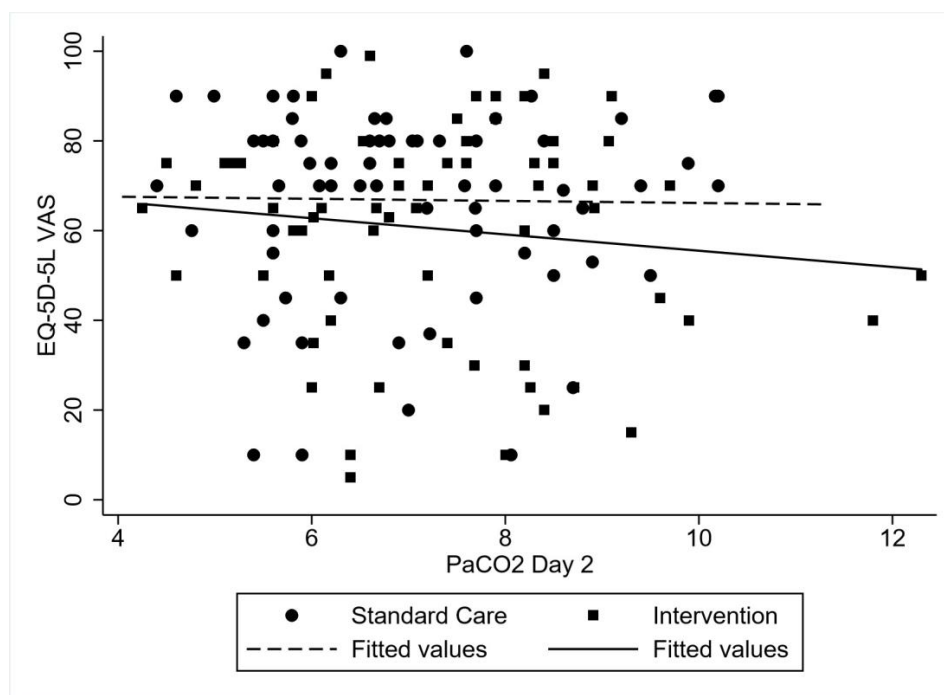
|   | <b>Intervention</b> | <b>Standard care</b> | <b>Mean Difference<br/>(95% CI)</b> |
|---|---------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Day 2                                     | 7.4(2.2) n=81       | 10.1(2.5) n= 79      | 2.7(2.0, 3.4)                       |
| Day 3                                     | 7.4(2.5) n=79       | 10.2(3.0) n= 76      | 2.8(1.9, 3.7)                       |
| Day 4                                     | 8.3(3.1) n= 79      | 10.7(3.1) n= 72      | 2.4(1.4, 3.4)                       |
| Day 5                                     | 8.6 (3.1) n= 75     | 10.9(3.6) n= 70      | 2.3(1.2, 3.4)                       |
| Day 6                                     | 8.8(3.0) n= 70      | 11.3(4.2) n= 69      | 2.5(1.3, 3.7)                       |
| Day 7                                     | 9.6(3.2) n= 66      | 10.8(3.3) n= 65      | 1.2(0.1, 2.3)                       |
| <b>CO<sub>2</sub> removal (ml/minute)</b> |                     |                      |                                     |
| Day 1                                     | 51.1(41.7) n=64     |                      |                                     |
| Day 2                                     | 82.8(37.2) n= 74    |                      |                                     |
| Day 3                                     | 86.8(36.5) n= 73    |                      |                                     |
| Day 4                                     | 74.9(40.9) n= 68    |                      |                                     |
| Day 5                                     | 66.2(44.4) n= 63    |                      |                                     |
| Day 6                                     | 54.2(46.2) n= 53    |                      |                                     |
| Day 7                                     | 44.1(44.1) n= 48    |                      |                                     |

Data presented as mean (SD) and analysed using independent samples t-test.

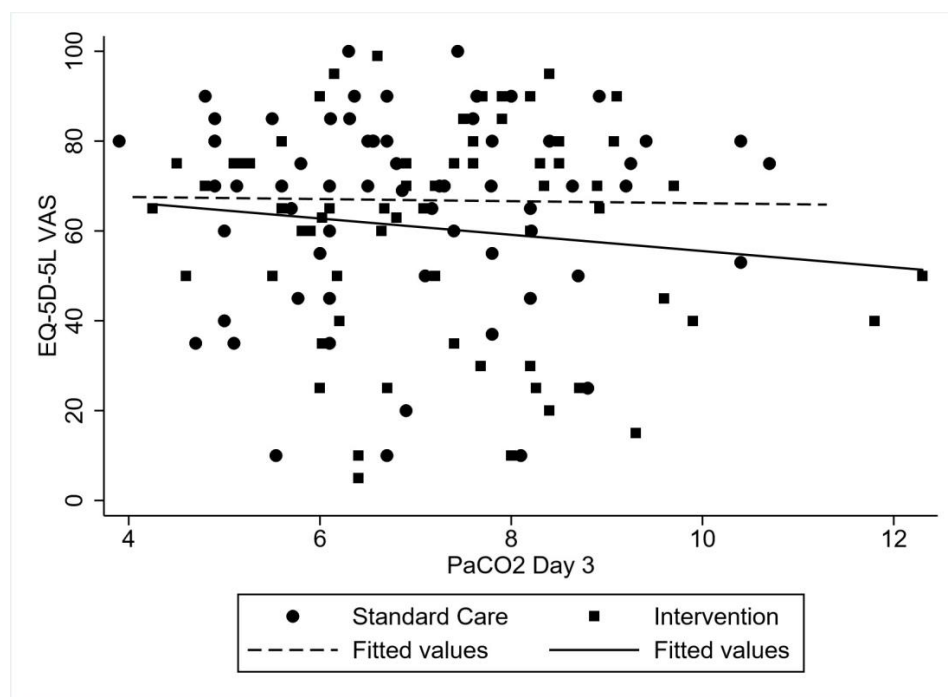


**eFigure 1: Correlation between day 1 PaCO<sub>2</sub> and EQ-5D-5L VAS score.** There was no correlation between day 1 PaCO<sub>2</sub> EQ-5D-5L VAS score (pearson R -0.08; p =0.38). Data analysed using Pearson's correlation coefficient.

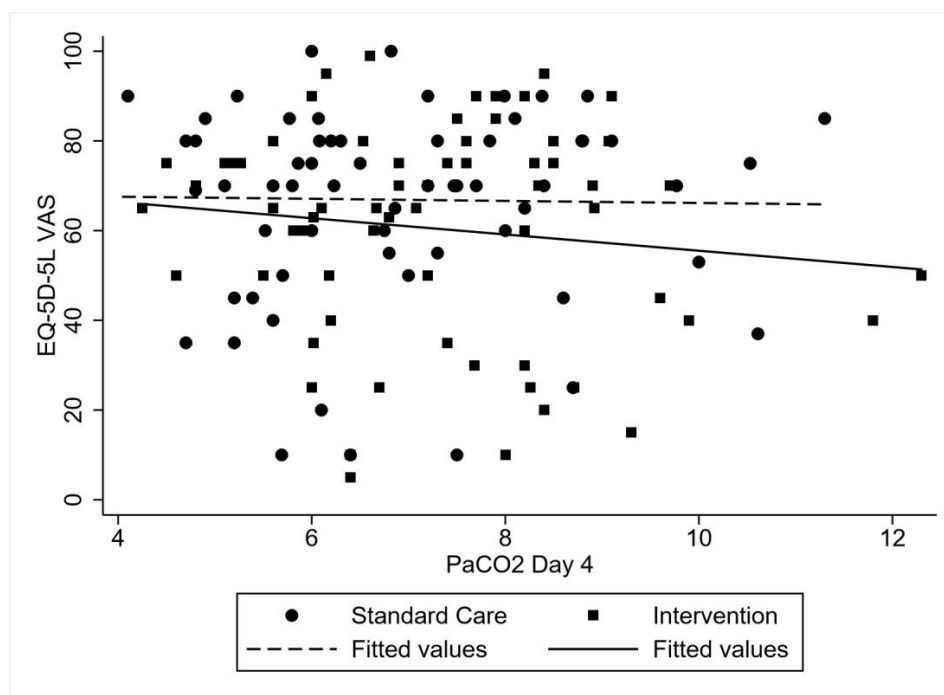




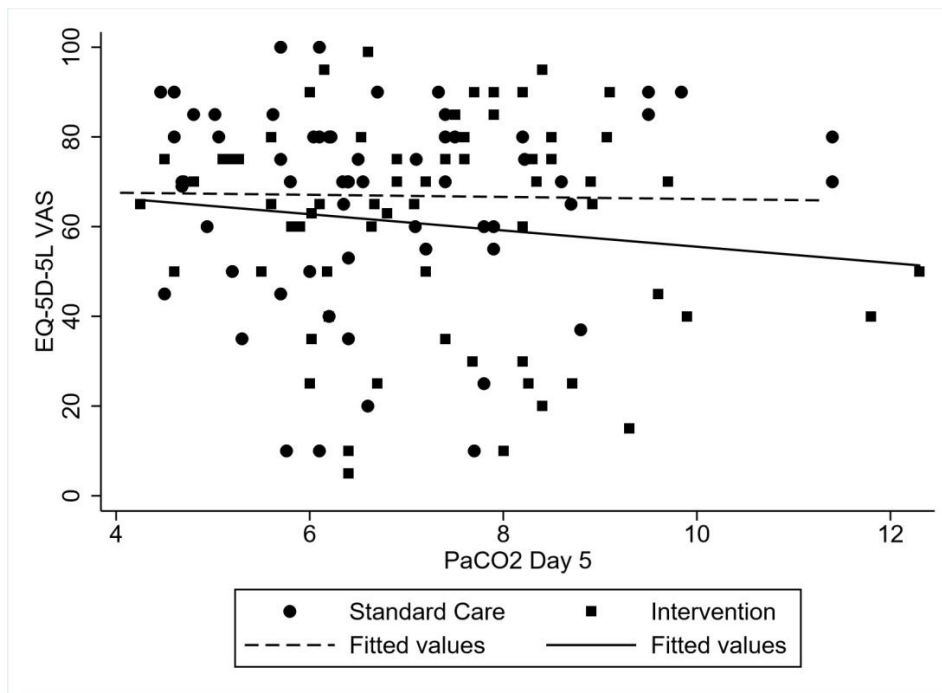
**eFigure 2: Correlation between day 2 PaCO<sub>2</sub> and EQ-5D-5L VAS score.** There was no correlation between day 2 PaCO<sub>2</sub> EQ-5D-5L VAS score (pearson R -0.02; p =0.86). Data analysed using Pearson's correlation coefficient.



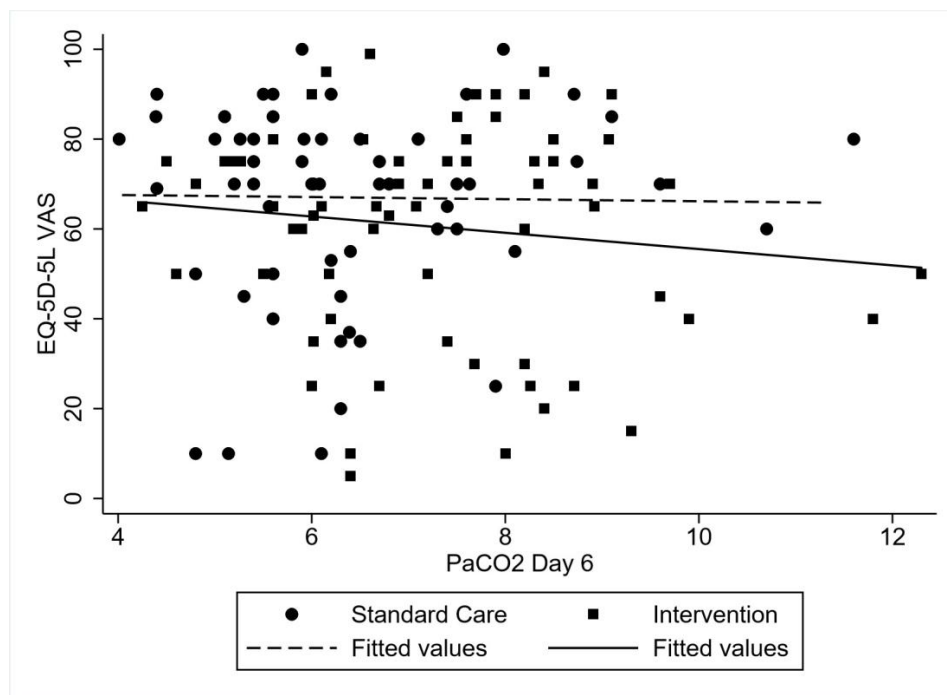
**Figure 3: Correlation between day 3 PaCO<sub>2</sub> and EQ-5D-5L VAS score.** There was no correlation between day 3 PaCO<sub>2</sub> EQ-5D-5L VAS score (pearson R -0.05; p =0.57). Data analysed using Pearson's correlation coefficient.



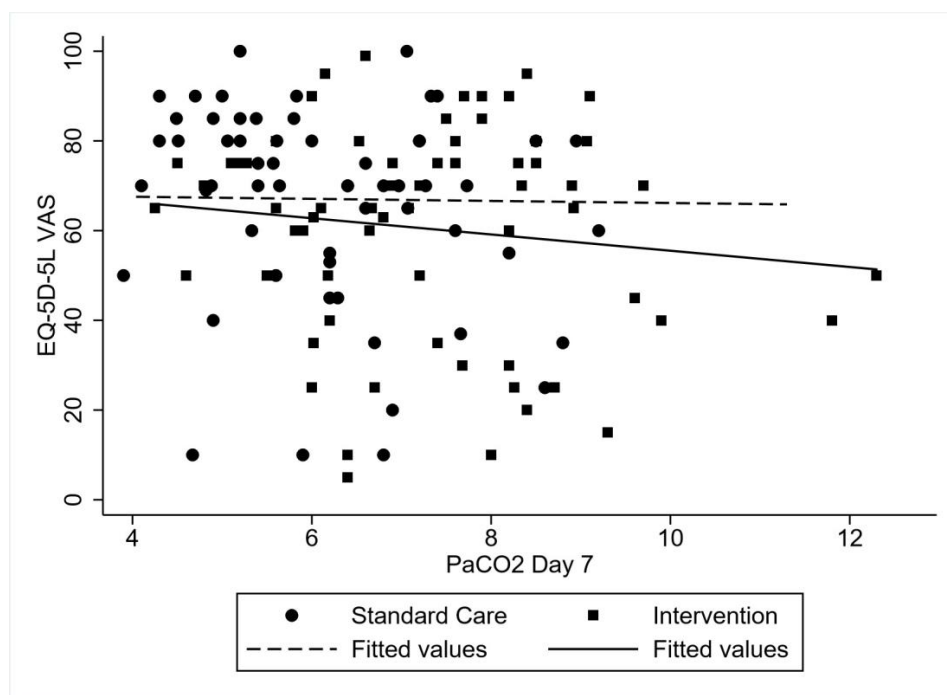
**eFigure 4: Correlation between day 4 PaCO<sub>2</sub> and EQ-5D-5L VAS score.** There was no correlation between day 4 PaCO<sub>2</sub> EQ-5D-5L VAS score (pearson R 0.06; p =0.53). Data analysed using Pearson's correlation coefficient.



**Figure 5: Correlation between day 5 PaCO<sub>2</sub> and EQ-5D-5L VAS score.** There was no correlation between day 5 PaCO<sub>2</sub> EQ-5D-5L VAS score (pearson R -0.01; p =0.88). Data analysed using Pearson's correlation coefficient.



**eFigure 6: Correlation between day 6 PaCO<sub>2</sub> and EQ-5D-5L VAS score.** There was no correlation between day 6 PaCO<sub>2</sub> EQ-5D-5L VAS score (pearson R -0.02; p =0.80). Data analysed using Pearson's correlation coefficient.



**Figure 7: Correlation between day 7 PaCO<sub>2</sub> and EQ-5D-5L VAS score.** There was no correlation between day 7 PaCO<sub>2</sub> EQ-5D-5L VAS score (pearson R -0.18; p =0.06). Data analysed using Pearson's correlation coefficient.