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# Point of care ultrasound to diagnose real-time intraventricular hemorrhage in a crashing extremely preterm newborn



Ecografia a pie de cama para diagnosticar en tiempo real una hemorragia intraventricular en un neonato prematuro extremo shockado

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Figure 1

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Figure 2

A male 24 was born at  $24^{6/7}$  weeks of gestation. Newborn weighed 540 g and Apgar score 4/6/7. He was intubated in the delivery room due respiratory effort and during the first hours of life received endotracheal surfactant. Child remain stable without need of inotropic support and FiO<sub>2</sub> of 25%. According to the unit protocol was monitored with a cerebral near-infrared spectroscopy (NIRS) and at 36 h there was a sudden drop from values of 80 to 40. Diagnosis of shock was made and inotropic support and increase in ventilator settings. A cranial point of care ultrasound revealed a real time bilateral bleeding from the germinal matrix-intraventricular hemorrhage (videoclip 1 available online, Supplementary Fig. 1) with blood inside both lateral ventricles and the occipital horns (Figs. 1 and 2). Emergency transfusion was given and NIRS improved to 75 allowing to decrease inotropic support and respiratory support.

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### Appendix A. Supplementary data

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