

Final overall rates of misclassifications obtained with the decision rule, according to the function used to define the thresholds at each successive interim analysis.

Function applied to define the thresholds τ_j^l ¹	Class of misclassification ²	Event			
		Death	IVH ³	NEC ³	Retinopathy
Uniform ¹	Class A	0.31	0.33	0.24	0.27
	Class B	<0.01	0.03	0.12	0.15
Linear ¹	Class A	0.11	0.12	0.14	0.12
	Class B	<0.01	0.06	0.17	0.23
Linear with logarithm transformation ¹	Class A	0.14	0.16	0.17	0.16
	Class B	<0.01	0.05	0.14	0.20
Linear with exponential transformation ¹	Class A	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.10
	Class B	<0.01	0.07	0.20	0.27

¹ τ_j^l : Thresholds to apply in the Bayesian decision rule for the event j , at the l interim analysis: the rule will conclude that there is an unacceptable excess if $P(\delta_j^l) \geq \tau_j^l$. Four functions have been compared: (i) A uniform function: $\tau_j^l = \tau_j^{*11}$ for all $l \in (1, 11)$; (ii) A linear function: $\tau_j^l = a \times l + b$; (iii) A linear function with a logarithm transformation: $\tau_j^l = a \times \log(l) + b$; (iv) A linear function with an exponential transformation: $\tau_j^l = a \times \exp^l + b$.

²Class a misclassification: Trials that conclude that the difference between arms is *Unacceptable*, while it is not true; Class b misclassification: Trials that conclude that the difference between arms is *Acceptable*, while it is not true.

³NEC: Necrotizing enterocolitis; IVH: Intraventricular hemorrhage