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Some evidence suggests that preterm infants may require fewer days of mechanical ventilation if they receive positive pressure ventilation with inflations of 5 seconds or more at the time of birth. Kirpalani and colleagues randomized 460 extremely preterm infants and found that sustained inflations at birth, compared with standard intermittent positive pressure ventilation, did not reduce the risk of bronchopulmonary dysplasia or death at 36 weeks’ postmenstrual age. In an Editorial, Perlman discusses the inherent complexities of intervention studies for the premature infant population.

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Delivery of mesenchymal precursor cells into failing hearts has been associated with improvement in the geometry and function of the left ventricle. In a randomized trial that enrolled 159 patients with advanced heart failure undergoing implantation of a left ventricular assist device, Yau and colleagues for the Cardiothoracic Surgical Trials Network found that intramyocardial injections of mesenchymal precursor cells did not facilitate temporary weaning from left ventricular assist device support at 6 months.

Birth Outcomes for Extremely Preterm Infants 1188
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