Appendix 2 (as supplied by the authors): Demographic characteristics and ventilatory settings for patients in each study

Study*	Age, years		Weight, kg		Protocolized sedation	Protocolized weaning	Respiratory rate, per minute		Mode of ventilation		Inspired fraction of oxygen, %		Inspiratory/ expiratory ratio		Plateau airway pressure, cmH_2O		Duration of mechanical ventilation, h	
	PV	CV	PV	CV			PV	CV	PV	CV	PV	CV	PV	CV	PV	CV	PV	CV
Chaney et al., 2000 [1]	59 ± 12	68 ± 9	87 ± 13	81 ± 15	Yes	Yes	16	8	VCV	VCV	100	100	1:3	1:3	17.6 ± 4.8	21.8 ± 3.5	NR	NR
Koner et al., 2004 [2]	59 ± 10	57 ± 9.3	65 ± 4.4	70 ± 12	NR	NR	15	9	VCV	VCV	50	50	1:2	1:2	14.4 ± 2	17.5 ± 2	NR	NR
Wrigge et al., 2004 [3]	57.5 ± 15.5	60 ± 11.5	69 ± 8.5	65 ± 9	NR	NR	Adjusted by $PaCO_2$		Free	Free	30	30	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
Wrigge et al., 2005 [4]	67 ± 11	61 ± 10	66 ± 12	64 ± 9	Yes	NR	Adjusted by $PaCO_2$		Free	Free	Adjusted by ARDSnet		NR	NR	18 ± 3	22 ± 3	NR	NR
Zupancich et al., 2005 [5]	66.5 ± 9.8	68.7 ± 7.4	NR	NR	NR	NR	12-15	12-15	Free	Free	50	50	1:2	1:2	NR	NR	NR	NR
Michelet et al., 2006 [6]	61 ± 10	60 ± 8.5	NR	NR	NR	Yes	Adjusted by $PaCO_2$		Free	Free	50	50	NR	NR	20 ± 3.5	26 ± 3	NR	NR
Cai et al., 2007 [7]	37 ± 11	39 ± 11	58 ± 8	56 ± 5	NR	NR	Adjusted by $PaCO_2$		VCV	VCV	100	100	NR	NR	NR	NR	6.9 ± 2.2	7.4 ± 3.1
Determann et al., 2008 [8]	62 ± 9.8	61 ± 9.5	70 ± 9.5	69 ± 10.6	NR	NR	Adjusted by $PaCO_2$		VCV	VCV	40	40	1:2	1:2	NR	NR	NR	NR
Lin et al., 2008 [9]	55	54	55.3 ± 11.8	58.4 ± 15.7	NR	NR	Adjusted by $PaCO_2$		VCV	VCV	Adjusted by PaO_2		1:1	1:1.5	12.4 ± 2.1	21.5 ± 3.1	4.3 ± 0.9	4.2 ± 0.7
Weingarten et al., 2010 [10]	73.8	72.1	NR	NR	NR	NR	Adjusted by $PaCO_2$		VCV	VCV	50	50	1:2	1:2	NR	NR	5.1 ± 1.9	5.7 ± 1.7
Sundar et al., 2011 [11]	66 ± 11.7	66.5 ± 11	87 ± 20	85.1 ± 19.1	Yes	Yes	Adjusted by $PaCO_2$		Free	Free	Adjusted by ARDSnet		NR	NR	19.7 ± 3.6	20.4 ± 4.5	7.5	10.7
Yang et al., 2011 [12]	58 ± 12	60 ± 10	61 ± 17	59 ± 15	NR	NR	Adjusted by $PaCO_2$		PCV	VCV	50	100	1:2	1:2	16 ± 4	16 ± 4	3.9 ± 1	4.2 ± 1
Memtsoudis et al., 2012 [13]	60 ± 15	50 ± 12	NR	NR	NR	NR	Adjusted by $PaCO_2$		VCV	VCV	50	50	1:2	1:2	19 ± 2.3	23 ± 6	5.1 ± 1.1	4.6 ± 0.8
Treschan et al., 2012 [14]	68 ± 8	68 ± 9	79 ± 16	77 ± 12	NR	NR	Adjusted by $PaCO_2$		Free	Free	50	50	1:2	1:2	15 ± 3	17 ± 3	8.7 ± 5.2	8.7 ± 5.9
Futier et al., 2013 [15]	61.6 ± 11	63.4 ± 10	71.4 ± 14.2	71.3 ± 13.9	NR	NR	Adjusted by $PaCO_2$		VCV	VCV	Adjusted by PaO_2		NR	NR	15.2 ± 2.6	16.6 ± 3.5	5.3 ± 2.3	5.7 ± 2.1
Maslow et al., 2013 [16]	61.2 ± 14.4	69.6 ± 12.9	71.4 ± 16.8	73.9 ± 13.6	Yes	NR	14	7	VCV	VCV	Adjusted by PaO_2		1:1.7	1:1.7	NR	NR	NR	NR
Severgnini et al., 2013 [17]	65.5 ± 11.4	67 ± 9	NR	NR	NR	NR	Adjusted by $PaCO_2$		VCV	VCV	40	40	1:2	1:2	18	16	3.2 ± 1.1	3.7 ± 1.3
Shen et al., 2013 [18]	60.5 ± 7.3	57.2 ± 9.1	NR	NR	NR	NR	Adjusted by $PaCO_2$		Free	Free	Adjusted by PaO_2		NR	NR	NR	NR	3.6 ± 1.2	3.3 ± 1.5
Qutub et al., 2014 [19]	41	36	75.9 ± 9.4	77.8 ± 12.8	NR	NR	Adjusted by $PaCO_2$		Free	Free	50	50	1:2.5	1:2.5	NR	NR	2.3 ± 0.2	2.1 ± 0.3

Note: CV = conventional ventilation, NR = not reported, PCV = pressure controlled ventilation, PV = protective ventilation, VCV = volume-controlled ventilation.

*See next page for references.

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