

**Table 1.** General characteristics.

	<b>DS (n=28)</b>	<b>Control (n=28)</b>	<b>p value</b>
<b>Sex: Male/Female</b>	19/9	19/9	
<b>Age (months)</b>	58.5 [23.8;94]	51 [32.5;74.5]	0.97
<b>Weight (Z-score)</b>	-1 [-1.5;0]	1 [-0.5;2]	<b>0.0003</b>
<b>Height (Z-score)</b>	-1.5 [-0.9;2]	1 [0;2]	<b>&lt; 0.0001</b>
<b>BMI (Z-score)</b>	1 [-1;2]	0 [-1;2]	0.73
<b>Cardiopathy (n, %)</b>	13 (46)		
<b>Ventricular septal defect (n)</b>	3		
<b>Atrial septal defect (n)</b>	3		
<b>Ventricular atrial communication (n)</b>	5		

Data are presented as median [IQR]. DS: Down syndrome; BMI: body mass index.

**Table 2.** Sleep study and gas exchange during the night.

	<b>DS</b>	<b>Control</b>	<b>p value</b>
<b>OAHI</b>	5 [3;10.2]	4.8 [2.3;11.5]	0.17
<b>Mean SpO<sub>2</sub> (%)</b>	96 [94.5;97]	96.5 [96;97]	<b>0.002</b>
<b>Minimum SpO<sub>2</sub> (%)</b>	91 [86.5;92.5]	90 [86.8;91.3]	0.60
<b>Desaturation index</b>	4.7 [2.1;9.4]	2.5 [0.6;4.6]	<b>0.03</b>
<b>% TST with a SpO<sub>2</sub> &lt; 90%</b>	0 (0;71)	0 (0;4)	0.09
<b>Mean PtcO<sub>2</sub></b>	77 [72;80.5]	82 [80;84.8]	<b>0.003</b>
<b>Minimum PtcO<sub>2</sub></b>	66.5 [62;69.3]	75 [70.5;78.5]	<b>0.007</b>
<b>Maximum PtcO<sub>2</sub></b>	84 [78;90.3]	89 [85.3;93]	<b>0.02</b>
<b>Mean PtcCO<sub>2</sub></b>	44 [43;46.5]	42 [41;44]	<b>0.001</b>
<b>Minimum PtcCO<sub>2</sub></b>	41 [39;44]	40 [37;41]	<b>0.02</b>
<b>Maximum PtcCO<sub>2</sub></b>	48 [46;50]	46 [44;47]	<b>0.006</b>
<b>% of TST with a PtcCO<sub>2</sub> &gt; 50 mmHg</b>	0 (0;65)	0 (0;28)	<b>0.02</b>
<b>Subjects with hypoventilation (n, %)</b>	5 (21%)	1 (4%)	

Data are presented as median [IQR] or (range). DS: Down syndrome; OAHI: obstructive apnea hypopnea index; SpO<sub>2</sub>: pulse oximetry; TST: total sleep time; PtcO<sub>2</sub>: transcutaneous partial pressure of oxygen (data available for 24 DS and 28 matching control); PtcCO<sub>2</sub>: transcutaneous partial pressure of carbon dioxide (data available for 27 DS and 28 matching control).

**Table 3. Detailed information on the subjects with nocturnal hypoventilation**

	Age (years)	BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	AHI	mean PtcCO <sub>2</sub> (mmHg)	% TST with PtcCO <sub>2</sub> > 50 mmHg	Cardiopathy (Yes/No)	Comorbidities	Treatment
<b>DS (n=5)</b>								
1	5.9	15.7	9	47	25	N		Methylphenidate
2	2.2	16.8	28	50	58	Y	Hypothyroidism asthma	L-Thyroxin
3	13	23	3.6	50	65	N	Turbinate hypertrophy	
4	3.4	16.8	3.4	49	59	N	Tonsillar hypertrophy Hypothyroidism	L-Thyroxin
5	8.1	20	26.6	49	45	N	Hirschprung disease tonsillar hypertrophy	
<b>Control (n=1)</b>								
	8.4	13.9	32	48	28	N	Adeno-tonsillar hypertrophy	

BMI: Body mass index; PtcCO<sub>2</sub>: transcutaneous partial pressure of carbon dioxide; TST: total sleep time. Patient number two initially presented with a ventricular atrial communication surgically treated, with normal echocardiography and no pulmonary hypertension.

**Table 4.** Awake daytime gas exchange.

	<b>DS (n=19)</b>	<b>control (n=15)</b>	<b>p value</b>
<b>SpO<sub>2</sub> (% , n=27)</b>	98 [97;98]	98 [98;99]	0.17
<b>Mean PtcO<sub>2</sub></b>	85 [80.5;91.5]	89 [83.5;93]	0.15
<b>Minimum PtcO<sub>2</sub></b>	83 [77;89.5]	88 [82;91.5]	0.11
<b>Maximum PtcO<sub>2</sub></b>	89 [84.5;93.5]	90 [85.5;94]	0.37
<b>Mean PtcCO<sub>2</sub></b>	39 [35.8;40]	35 [32;37]	<b>0.0006</b>
<b>Minimum PtcCO<sub>2</sub></b>	37 [35;39.3]	34 [31;36]	<b>0.0002</b>
<b>Maximum PtcCO<sub>2</sub></b>	40 [36;40.3]	35 [32.5;38]	<b>&lt; 0.0001</b>

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