

Supplementary Table 1.

Classification system<sup>a</sup> for primary cause of death - 302 singleton late stillbirths<sup>b</sup> and 255 singleton neonatal deaths<sup>b</sup> in 100,413 pregnancies included in The Danish National Birth Cohort.

Categories	Criteria	Stillbirth/neonatal death	Number of deaths
<b>Congenital malformations</b>	Chromosome abnormalities Neural tube defects Inborn errors of metabolism Heart defects Renal abnormalities Other abnormalities	Stillbirth and neonatal death	134
<b>Unexplained intrauterine death</b>	Unexplained death among fetuses that were normal weight for gestational age.	Only stillbirth	84
<b>Placental dysfunction<sup>c</sup></b>	Intrauterine growth retardation (IUGR) Infarction of placenta without IUGR Placental abruption Placenta previa	Stillbirth and neonatal death	106
<b>Umbilical cord complications<sup>d</sup></b>	Fetal entanglement Cord knot Perforation of the umbilical cord Vasa previa Thrombosis	Stillbirth and neonatal death	43
<b>Antepartum bleeding<sup>e</sup></b>	Excess bleeding of unknown origin	Stillbirth and neonatal death	< 3
<b>Maternal conditions</b>	Preeclampsia Hypertension Diabetes mellitus Rhesus isoimmunization Other maternal conditions	Stillbirth and neonatal death	22
<b>Intrapartum events</b>	Birth trauma Irregular fetal presentation Rupture of the uterus Aspiration of meconium Intrapartum asphyxia, unknown cause	Stillbirth and neonatal death	55
<b>Preterm birth</b>	Immature respiratory system Hyaline membrane disease (HMD) HMD with intraventricular bleeding HMD with infection Intracranial bleeding including Intraventricular bleeding	Only neonatal death	43
<b>Infections</b>	Necrotizing enterocolitis (NEC) Ante-, intra- and postpartum infection	Stillbirth and neonatal death	35
<b>Other specific conditions</b>	Specific conditions including sudden infant death.	Stillbirth and neonatal death	23
<b>Unclassifiable</b>	death from any cause not classifiable to any of the other categories or lack of information	Stillbirth and neonatal death	11

<sup>a</sup> A modified version of the classification suggested by Andersen KV et al in [Classification of perinatal and neonatal deaths. Fetal, obstetrical and neonatal causes]. Ugeskr Laeger 1991. 153;1494-1497. <sup>b</sup> Late stillbirth defined as stillbirths after 28 completed weeks of gestation, neonatal death as deaths within the first 28 days of life. <sup>c</sup> This category has been modified from the original system to include only placental dysfunction and both stillbirth and neonatal death. <sup>d</sup> This category was added to the original classification system. It was originally a subcategory in a category named 'fetal-placental dysfunction'. <sup>e</sup> This category has been modified from the original system: The subcategories 'Placental abruption' and 'Placenta previa' has been moved to the category 'Placental dysfunction'.