

**Table 1: Comparison between NIV success and failure groups regarding demographic data**

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Total N=126</b>	<b>NIV Success group N=79</b>	<b>NIV Failure group N=47</b>	<b>P value</b>
<b>Age/year</b>				
Mean ± SD	57.76±13.37	49.38±8.91	71.85±5.27	<b>&lt;0.0001</b>
(range)	(29-82)	(29-62)	(64-82)	
<b>Gender</b>				
Female	62 (49.21%)	38 (48.10%)	24 (51.06%)	0.75
Male	64 (50.79%)	41 (51.90%)	23 (48.94%)	
<b>Pregnancy</b>				
No	58 (93.54%)	34 (89.47%)	24 (100%)	0.29
Yes	4 (6.45%)	4 (10.50%)	0	
<b>BMI</b>				
Mean ± SD	24.33±1.38	24.27±1.32	24.43±1.50	0.55
(range)	(20.91-27.21)	(20.91-27.21)	(20.91-27.21)	

*NIV: Non-invasive ventilation**BMI: Body mass index*

**Table 2: Comparison between NIV success and failure groups regarding the clinical criteria**

<b>Variable</b> No (%)	<b>Total</b> No (126)	<b>NIV Success</b> No (79)	<b>NIV Failure</b> No (47)	<b>P value</b>
<b>Pneumonia</b>				
Bacterial	49 (38.89%)	29 (36.71%)	20 (42.55%)	<b>0.01</b>
Viral	77 (61.11%)	50 (63.29%)	27 (57.45%)	
<b>Causative organism</b>				
K. Pneumoniae	12 (9.52%)	5 (6.33%)	7 (14.89%)	<b>0.03</b>
MRSA	9 (7.14%)	3 (3.80%)	6 (12.77%)	
MSSA	10 (7.94%)	7 (8.86%)	3 (6.38%)	
Pneumococci	18 (14.29%)	14 (17.72%)	4 (8.51%)	
Influenza virus	7 (5.56%)	2 (2.53%)	5 (10.64%)	
SARS-COV-2	70 (55.56%)	48 (60.76%)	22 (46.81%)	
<b>ARDS severity</b>				
Mild	50 (39.60%)	38 (48.10%)	12 (25.53%)	<b>&lt;0.0001</b>
Moderate	57 (45.24%)	38 (48.10%)	19 (40.43%)	
Severe	19 (15.08%)	3 (3.80%)	16 (34.04%)	
<b>Septic shock</b>				
No	109 (86.51%)	72 (91.14%)	37 (78.72%)	<b>0.04</b>
Yes	17 (13.49%)	7 (8.86%)	10 (21.28%)	
<b>DM</b>				
No	104 (82.54%)	68 (86.08%)	36 (76.60%)	0.18
Yes	22 (17.46%)	11 (13.92%)	11 (23.40%)	
<b>Hypertension</b>				
No	114 (90.48%)	74 (93.67%)	40 (85.11%)	0.13
Yes	12 (9.52%)	5 (6.33%)	7 (14.89%)	

*ARDS: Acute respiratory distress syndrome*

*DM:*

*Diabetes mellitus*

*MRSA: methicillin resistant staphylococcus aureus*

*MSSA: methicillin sensitive staphylococcus aureus*

*SARS-COV-2: severe*

*acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2*

**Table 3: Baseline clinical parameters of studied patients in relation to NIV outcome**

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Total N=126</b>	<b>NIV Success N=79</b>	<b>NIV Failure N=47</b>	<b>P value</b>
<b>GCS</b>				
Mean ± SD	14.21±0.91	14.61±0.63	13.55±0.93	<b>&lt;0.0001</b>
(range)	(12-15)	(13-15)	(12-15)	
<b>Heart rate (bpm)</b>				
Mean ± SD	114.39±11.67	107.33±8.59	126.26±11.67	<b>&lt;0.0001</b>
(range)	(110-154)	(89-125)	(110-154)	
<b>SBP (mmHg)</b>				
Mean ± SD	106.07±21.82	113.86±17.63	92.98±22.08	<b>&lt;0.0001</b>
(range)	(40-150)	(60-150)	(40-120)	
<b>DBP (mmHg)</b>				
Mean ± SD	66.23±16.18	70.57±14.46	58.94±16.45	<b>0.0001</b>
(range)	(20-80)	(20-95)	(20-80)	
<b>Respiratory rate (cpm)</b>				
Mean ± SD	34.50±6.41	30.68±3.10	40.94±5.28	<b>&lt;0.0001</b>
(range)	(23-60)	(23-38)	(34-60)	
<b>Temperature (°C)</b>				
Mean ± SD	37.46±2.90	37.71±0.78	37.68±0.81	0.81
(range)	(36.4-39)	(36-39)	(36.5-39)	
<b>Patrick scale</b>				
Mean ± SD	1.51±1.29	0.67±0.55	2.91±0.90	<b>&lt;0.0001</b>
(range)	(0-4)	(0-2)	(1-4)	

*GCS: Glasgow Coma Scale  
Diastolic blood pressure  
per minute*

*SBP: Systolic blood pressure  
bpm: beat per minute  
°C: degree Celsius*

*DBP:  
cpm: cycle*

**Table 4: Baseline ABG parameters in relation to NIV outcome**

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Total N=126</b>	<b>NIV Success N=79</b>	<b>NIV Failure N=47</b>	<b>P value</b>
<b>pH</b>				
Mean ± SD	7.45±0.05	7.45±0.05	7.44±0.05	0.30
(range)	(7.35-7.59)	(7.35-7.59)	(7.36-7.5)	
<b>SaO<sub>2</sub> (%)</b>				
Mean ± SD	80.47±4.19	81.47±3.40	78.79±4.86	<b>0.004</b>
Median (range)	(68-86)	(71-86)	(68-86)	
<b>PaO<sub>2</sub> (mmHg)</b>				
Mean ± SD	47.53±3.78	48.42±3.20	46.04±4.21	<b>0.005</b>
(range)	(38-53)	(40-53)	(38-53)	
<b>PaCO<sub>2</sub> (mmHg)</b>				
Mean ± SD	32.02±4.52	31.96±4.57	32.11±4.47	0.86
(range)	(24-40)	(24-40)	(25-40)	
<b>P/F ratio</b>				
Mean ± SD	94.75±7.38	96.44±6.43	91.89±8.04	<b>0.0007</b>
(range)	(76-107)	(80-107)	(76-107)	
<b>HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> (mEq/L)</b>				
Mean ± SD	23.37±2.37	23.27±2.39	23.55±2.37	0.51
(range)	(20-27)	(20-27)	(20-27)	

*ABG: Arterial blood gas**pH: Power of Hydrogen ion**SaO<sub>2</sub>: Oxygen saturation of arterial blood**HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>: Bicarbonate ions**PaO<sub>2</sub>:**Partial pressure of oxygen O<sub>2</sub> in arterial blood**PaCO<sub>2</sub>: Partial pressure of carbon dioxide CO<sub>2</sub> in arterial blood**P/F ratio: Ratio of pressure of O<sub>2</sub> in arterial blood PaO<sub>2</sub> to fraction of inspiratory oxygen concentration FiO<sub>2</sub>*

**Table 5: APACHE II score, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> day SOFA score in relation to NIV outcome**

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Total N=126</b>	<b>NIV Success N=79</b>	<b>NIV Failure N=47</b>	<b>P value</b>
<b>APACHE II score</b>				
Mean ± SD	23.33±4.77	20.30±2.53	28.43±2.96	<b>&lt;0.0001</b>
(range)	(17-33)	(17-26)	(23-33)	
<b>SOFA score on 1<sup>st</sup> day</b>				
Mean ± SD	2.52±1.54	1.66±0.77	3.96±1.44	<b>&lt;0.0001</b>
(range)	(2-8)	(1-4)	(2-8)	
<b>SOFA score on 2<sup>nd</sup> day</b>				
Mean ± SD	0.93±1.36	0.52±0.60	4.56±0.53	<b>&lt;0.0001</b>
(range)	(0-5)	(0-2)	(4-5)	
<b>SOFA score on 3<sup>rd</sup> day</b>				
Mean ± SD	0.38±0.90	0.23±0.45	4.33±0.58	<b>0.0001</b>
(range)	(0-5)	(0-2)	(4-5)	
<b>SOFA score before weaning</b>				
Mean ± SD		0.20±0.40		
(range)		(0-1)		

*APACHE II: Acute physiology and chronic health evaluation*

*SOFA: Sequential organ failure assessment*

**Table 6: Baseline laboratory investigations in relation to NIV outcome:**

Variable	Total N=126	NIV success N=79	NIV Failure N=47	P value
<b>WBCs (thousand/cc)</b> Mean ± SD (range)	14.46±10.43 (3.5-40)	12.85±9.27 (3.5-36)	17.16.5±11.74 (3.8-40)	0.06
<b>HGB (gm/dl)</b> Mean ± SD (range)	12.53±1.77 (3.5-16)	12.39±1.92 (3.5-15)	12.76±1.47 (9.8-16)	0.26
<b>PLTs (thousand/cc)</b> Mean ± SD (range)	375.12±122.75 (152-678)	358.0±116.84 (158-625)	403.9±128.2 (152-678)	0.09
<b>Creatinine (mg/dl)</b> Mean ± SD (range)	1.19±0.76 (0.4-4)	1.01±0.50 (0.4-2.8)	1.49±1.0 (0.4-4)	<b>0.002</b>
<b>Na<sup>+</sup> (mEq/L)</b> Mean ± SD (range)	134.88±7.00 (120-147)	135.2±6.72 (120-147)	134.34±7.49 (120-147)	0.51
<b>K<sup>+</sup> (mEq/L)</b> Mean ± SD (range)	3.67±0.84 (1.9-5.1)	3.64±0.84 (1.9-5.1)	3.72±0.85 (2.4-5.1)	0.60
<b>Ca<sup>2+</sup> (mmol/L)</b> Mean ± SD (range)	1.0±0.11 (0.8-1.2)	1.00±0.11 (0.8-1.2)	0.995±0.11 (0.8-1.2)	0.75
<b>AST (IU/L)</b> Mean ± SD (range)	31.70±10.47 (15-52)	33.47±10.57 (15-52)	28.74±9.72 (15-51)	0.05
<b>ALT (IU/L)</b> Mean ± SD (range)	34.52±11.72 (15-52)	34.00±11.00 (20-52)	35.40±10.28 (15-52)	0.48
<b>Total bilirubin (mg/dl)</b> Mean ± SD (range)	1.25±0.42 (0.5-2.5)	1.21±0.38 (0.6-2.5)	1.31±0.47 (0.5-2.5)	0.28
<b>Albumin (g/dl)</b> Mean ± SD (range)	3.73±0.57 (2.5-5)	3.86±0.56 (2.7-5)	3.52±0.53 (2.5-4.3)	<b>0.001</b>
<b>Total protein (g/dl)</b> Mean ± SD (range)	6.21±0.45 (5.5-7)	6.22±0.47 (5.5-7)	6.18±0.43 (5.5-6.8)	0.61
<b>CRP (mg/dl)</b> Mean ± SD (range)	70.96±37.01 (18-154)	58.46±30.69 (20-140)	91.98±37.48 (18-154)	<b>&lt;0.0001</b>

*WBCs: White blood cells.*

*Na: serum sodium ions.*

*calcium ions.*

*Alanine transaminase.*

*HGB: Hemoglobin.*

*K: serum potassium ions.*

*AST: Aspartate transaminase.*

*CRP: C reactive protein.*

*PLTs: Platelets.*

*Ca: serum*

*ALT:*

**Table 7: Time of NIV failure**

Time of NIV failure (hour)	Number (%)
2	20 (42.55%)
6	6 (12.77%)
12	13 (27.66%)
24	4 (8.51%)
48	3 (6.38%)
72	1 (2.13%)

**Table 8: Causes of NIV failure**

Causes of NIV failure	Number (%)
Refractory hypoxemia	23 (48.94%)
Excessive work of breathing	12 (25.53%)
Hemodynamic instability	9 (19.15%)
DCL (GCS<12)	3 (6.38%)

*DCL: Disturbed conscious level*

*GCS: Glasgow coma scale*

**Table 9: Relation between time of NIV failure and cause of failure**

Causes of NIV failure	Number	Time of NIV failure	
		Time/hour	Number (%)
Refractory hypoxemia	23	2	19 (82.61%)
		6	3 (13.04%)
		12	1 (4.35%)
Excessive work of breathing	12	6	3 (25.00%)
		12	9 (75.00%)
Hemodynamic instability	9	2	1 (11.11%)
		12	3 (33.33%)
		24	3 (33.33%)
		48	2 (22.22%)
DCL (GCS<12)	3	24	1 (33.33%)
		48	1 (33.33%)
		72	1 (33.33%)

*DCL: Disturbed conscious level*

*GCS: Glasgow coma scale*

**Table 10: MV duration and ICU length of stay in relation to NIV outcome**

Variable	Total N=126	NIV Success N=79	NIV Failure N=47	P value
<b>Duration of mechanical ventilation in days</b> Mean ± SD (range)	5.96±3.28 (2-14)	3.81±1.37 (2-7)	9.60±2.15 (6-14)	<b>&lt;0.0001</b>
<b>ICU Length of stay</b> Mean ± SD (range)	7.62±3.06 (4-16)	5.73±1.32 (4-9)	10.78±2.47 (6-16)	<b>&lt;0.0001</b>