

Table 1. Description of study participant group structure and characteristics.

| Parameter | Study group | |
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| | % | n |
| Sample size | 100% | 74 |
| Parity | | |
| no prior pregnancy <i>vs</i> * | 91.9% | 68 |
| more than one and less than three prior pregnancies | 8.1% | 6 |
| Maternal age | | |
| under 35 years | 90.5% | 67 |
| 35 years and above | 9.4% | 7 |
| Gestational age at delivery (weeks) | | |
| < 41weeks (on-term pregnancy) | 66.3% | 49 |
| 41 – 41+6 weeks (late-term pregnancy) | 33.7% | 25 |
| Associated pathology | | |
| women <i>without</i> associated pathology | 56.7% | 42 |
| women <i>with</i> associated pathologies | 43.3% | 32 |
| Bishop score | | |
| 0 - 2 | 67.5% | 50 |
| 3 - 4 | 32.5% | 24 |
| Supplementary pharmacotherapy | | |
| Epidural anesthesia | 55.4% | 41 |
| Oxytocin | 75.6% | 56 |

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