

**Supplementary Table 3.** Pairwise and loop inconsistency estimates of the analysis for the survival to discharge

Comparison	Direct evidence		Indirect evidence		Inconsistency		P-value for incoherence
	logOR	SE of logOR	logOR	SE of logOR	IF	SE logarithm of IF	
Placebo control vs. prior to CA <sup>a)</sup>	-0.067	0.358	-0.918	0.879	0.851	0.949	0.369
Placebo control vs. during CPR <sup>a)</sup>	-0.092	0.399	0.872	1.387	-0.964	1.448	0.506
Placebo control vs. post-CA <sup>a)</sup>	0.668	0.338	-0.296	1.402	0.964	1.448	0.506
Prior to CA vs. during CPR	0.746	0.388	-0.661	0.576	1.407	0.696	0.043
Prior to CA vs. post-CA	0.484	0.514	1.258	0.633	-0.774	0.815	0.342

Direct and indirect estimates of effect and P-value for pairwise incoherence.

logOR, logarithm of odds ratio; SE, standard error; IF, inconsistency factor; CA, cardiac arrest; CPR, cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

<sup>a)</sup>All the evidence about these contrasts comes from the trials which directly compare them.