

## Supplemental Digital Content 2: Description of the method of calculation of dose of desaturation

The total dose of desaturation experienced by each child was computed as follows:

$$\text{total dose of SctO}_2 \text{ desaturation} = \int_0^{t_{max}} f(s(t))$$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \text{threshold} - s(t) & s(t) < \text{threshold} \\ 0 & s(t) \geq \text{threshold} \end{cases}$$

Where:

- **threshold:** 65% (desaturation threshold)
- **s:** SctO<sub>2</sub> signal, s(t) refers to the value of the signal at time t
- **tmax:** 720 minutes (12 hours) or 1440 minutes (24 hours) , it refers to the maximum duration of the window from which the total dose of SctO<sub>2</sub> desaturation is extracted