



UK Obstetric Surveillance System

## Single intrauterine fetal death in monochorionic twins study (Single Twin Demise)

### Study 04/16

Data Collection Form - CASE

#### Case Definition:

**Please report any woman in the UK with a monochorionic twin pregnancy presenting between 1st July 2016 and 30th June 2017 with single twin demise after the first trimester dating scan, defined as:**

a) Monochorionic twin pregnancy – chorionicity confirmed at first trimester scan (<14 weeks) due to ultrasonic absence of the lambda sign (an echogenic V-shaped chorionic projection of tissue in dichorionic placentation).

AND

b) Single intrauterine fetal death – intrauterine death of one twin (including spontaneous single twin demise or selective feticide) after the first trimester dating scan performed between 10-14 weeks.

**Exclude:** Higher order multiple pregnancies where multifetal pregnancy reduction has taken place.

**Please denote the dead twin as TWIN B and the alive twin as TWIN A throughout, regardless of birth order.**



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Please return the completed form to:  
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Case reported in: \_\_\_\_\_

## Instructions

1. Please do not enter any personally identifiable information (e.g. name, address or hospital number) on this form.
2. Please record the ID number from the front of this form against the woman's name on the Clinician's Section of the blue card retained in the UKOSS folder.
3. Fill in the form using the information available in the woman's case notes.
4. Tick the boxes as appropriate. If you require any additional space to answer a question please use the space provided in section 7.
5. Please complete all dates in the format DD/MM/YY, and all times using the 24hr clock e.g. 18:37
6. If codes or examples are required, some lists (not exhaustive) are included on the back page of the form.
7. If the woman has not yet delivered, please complete the form as far as you are able, excluding delivery and outcome information, and return to the UKOSS Administrator. We will send these sections again for you to complete two weeks after the woman's expected date of delivery.
8. **If you do not know the answers to some questions, please indicate this in section 7.**
9. If you encounter any problems with completing the form please contact the UKOSS Administrator or use the space in section 7 to describe the problem.

### Section 1: Woman's details

1.1 Year of birth:

YYYY

1.2 Ethnic group:<sup>1\*</sup> (enter code, please see back cover for guidance)

1.3 Was the woman in paid employment at booking?

Yes  No

If Yes, what is her occupation:

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If No, what is her partner's (if any) occupation:

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1.4 Height at booking:

 cm

1.5 Weight at booking:

 .  kg

1.6 Smoking status:

never  gave up prior to pregnancy   
current  gave up during pregnancy

## Section 2: Previous Obstetric History

### 2.1 Gravidity

Number of completed pregnancies beyond 24 weeks:

Number of pregnancies less than 24 weeks:

If no previous pregnancies, please go to section 3

2.2 Does this woman have any history of previous preterm birth? Yes  No

If Yes, please specify number of pregnancies resulting in preterm birth:

and gestation at delivery of each: \_\_\_\_\_

2.3 Have any of this woman's children died in the neonatal period (up to 28 days of age)? Yes  No

If Yes, please specify gestation at delivery/age at death of all babies who died if known:

\_\_\_\_\_

2.4 Did the woman have a previous history of multiple pregnancy? Yes  No

If Yes, please give details: \_\_\_\_\_

2.5 Did the woman have any other previous pregnancy problems?<sup>2\*</sup> Yes  No

If Yes, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

## Section 3: Previous Medical History

3.1 Did the woman have any other pre-existing medical problem?<sup>3\*</sup> Yes  No

If Yes, please give details: \_\_\_\_\_

## Section 4a: This Pregnancy

4a.1 Final Estimated Date of Delivery (EDD):<sup>4\*</sup>  /  /

4a.2 Was this a confirmed monochorionic pregnancy? Yes  No

If No, this pregnancy is not eligible for this UKOSS survey

If Yes, how was monochorionicity confirmed: USS  Other

If Other, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

4a.3 What date was single twin demise diagnosed?  /  /

4a.4 Was the single twin demise: (please tick one) Spontaneous  OR Iatrogenic (feticide)

If Iatrogenic, please give the indication: \_\_\_\_\_

4a.5 Was this an assisted conception pregnancy? Yes  No

If Yes, please specify the type of artificial reproductive technique (e.g. IVF, ICSI, clomiphene):

\_\_\_\_\_

\*For guidance please see back cover

## Section 4b: Pregnancy complications

### 4b.1 Was twin to twin transfusion syndrome diagnosed?

Yes  No

If Yes, what was the date of diagnosis?

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What was the Quintero stage<sup>5</sup> at diagnosis?

Was Twin B (died) donor or recipient (*please tick one*)

Donor  **OR** Recipient

### 4b.2 Was selective IUGR noted (>20% difference in estimated fetal weights or birthweights)?

Yes  No

If Yes, what date was this diagnosed?

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What was the greatest estimated disparity in fetal weights?

%

Please give the estimated fetal weights at this assessment

Twin A:     g

Twin B:     g

Were any Doppler abnormalities<sup>6</sup> noted?

If Yes, please state which vessel and for which twin in the following table:

	TWIN A	TWIN B
Umbilical artery	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Middle cerebral artery	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Ductus venosus	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

### 4b.3 Were any chromosomal or structural anomalies identified in either twin?

Yes  No

If Yes, please complete the table below to show anomalies present in each twin and method of diagnosis (e.g. amniocentesis, ultrasound) and date of diagnosis. If no anomalies in one twin, please state none.

	Anomaly present	Method of diagnosis
TWIN A		
TWIN B		

### 4b.4 Was amniocentesis performed?

Yes  No

If Yes, which sac was drained?

Twin A  **OR** Twin B

### 4b.5 Were any other antenatal interventions performed?

Yes  No

If Yes, please state intervention: \_\_\_\_\_

And date performed:

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### 4b.6 Was an antenatal ultrasound performed to look for neurological damage?

Yes  No

If Yes, please give date:

/   /

Please specify findings: \_\_\_\_\_

### 4b.7 Was an antenatal MRI performed to look for neurological damage?

Yes  No

If Yes, please give date:

/   /

Please specify findings: \_\_\_\_\_

### 4b.8 Were there any other problems in this pregnancy?<sup>2</sup>

Yes  No

If Yes, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

## Section 5: Delivery

**5.1 Did this woman have a miscarriage?**

Yes  No

If Yes, please specify date:

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and cause (if known): \_\_\_\_\_

**5.2 Did this woman have a termination of pregnancy?**

Yes  No

If Yes, please specify date:

/   /

and reason (if known): \_\_\_\_\_

**If Yes to 5.1 or 5.2, please go to sections 6a, 7 and 8**

**5.3 Is this woman still undelivered?**

Yes  No

If Yes, will she be receiving the rest of her antenatal care from your hospital?

Yes  No

If No, please indicate name of hospital providing future care:

\_\_\_\_\_

Will she be delivered at your hospital?

Yes  No

If No, please indicate name of delivery hospital, then *go to Section 7*

\_\_\_\_\_

**5.4 Was delivery induced?**

Yes  No

If Yes, please state indication: \_\_\_\_\_

**5.5 Did the woman labour?**

Yes  No

**5.6 Was delivery by caesarean section?**

Yes  No

If Yes, please state:

Grade of urgency:<sup>7\*</sup>

Indication for caesarean section: \_\_\_\_\_

Method of anaesthesia:

Regional

General anaesthetic

## Section 6: Outcomes

### Section 6a: Woman

**6a.1 Was the woman admitted to ITU (critical care level 3)?**

Yes  No

If Yes, duration of stay:

days

OR Tick if woman is still in ITU (critical care level 3):

OR Tick if woman was transferred to another hospital:

**6a.2 Did any other major maternal morbidity occur?<sup>8\*</sup>**

Yes  No

If Yes, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**6a.3 Did the woman die?**

Yes  No

If Yes, please specify date and time of death

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What was the primary cause of death as stated on the death certificate?

(Please state if not known) \_\_\_\_\_

## Section 6b: Infant B (Twin B dead)

**NB:** Please denote twin B as dead twin (or the first to die when both have died) and twin A as alive twin (or second to die) regardless of birth order.

**6b.1 Date and time of delivery:**

/   /   :   24hr

**6b.2 Mode of delivery:** Spontaneous vaginal  Ventouse or Forceps  Breech   
Pre-labour caesarean section  Caesarean section after onset of labour

**6b.3 Birthweight:**     g

**6b.4 Sex of infant:** Male  Female  Indeterminate

**6b.5 Were there any abnormal features noted at external examination?** Yes  No

If Yes, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

**6b.6 Was a stillbirth certificate completed (i.e. for births >24 weeks)?** Yes  No

If Yes, what was the primary cause of death as stated on the death certificate?  
\_\_\_\_\_

**6b.7 Was a post mortem examination undertaken?** Yes  No

If Yes, did the examination confirm the certified cause of death/diagnosis? Yes  No

Not known

If No, what was the stated cause of death? \_\_\_\_\_

## Section 6c: Infant A (Twin A alive)

**6c.1 Date and time of delivery:**

/   /   :   24hr

**6c.2 Mode of delivery:** Spontaneous vaginal  Ventouse or Forceps  Breech   
Pre-labour caesarean section  Caesarean section after onset of labour

**6c.3 Birthweight:**     g

**6c.4 Sex of infant:** Male  Female  Indeterminate

**6c.5 Was the infant stillborn?** Yes  No

If Yes, please specify date of death:

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Was this: (please tick one):

Prior to labour  **OR** During labour

What was the presumed cause of death? \_\_\_\_\_

Please now go to section 7 if the infant was stillborn.

**6c.6 5 min Apgar**

**6c.7 Was the infant admitted to the neonatal unit?** Yes  No

If Yes, please state reason for admission: \_\_\_\_\_

**6c.8 Did any other major infant complications occur?<sup>9\*</sup>** Yes  No

If Yes, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**6c.9 Was there any ultrasound or MRI evidence of neurological damage in the surviving twin postnatally?** Yes  No  Not known

If Yes, please give details i.e. date of imaging, type of imaging, type of abnormality:  
\_\_\_\_\_

**6c.10** Were there any abnormal neurological signs noted in the neonatal period prior to discharge?

Yes  No  Not known

If Yes, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**6c.11** Did this infant die in the neonatal period?

Yes  No

If Yes, please specify date and time of death

/   /    :   24hr

What was the primary cause of death as stated on the death certificate?  
(Please state if not known) \_\_\_\_\_

Was a post mortem examination undertaken?

Yes  No

If Yes, did the examination confirm the certified cause of death/diagnosis?

Yes  No

Not known

If No, what was the stated cause of death? \_\_\_\_\_

**6c.12** Has this infant been discharged from your hospital?

Yes  No

If Yes, was this to:

Home  Another hospital

What was the date of discharge from your hospital:

/   /

Was there any planned imaging in the surviving twin or planned follow-up after discharge?

Yes  No  Not known

If Yes, please specify what imaging was planned: \_\_\_\_\_

Please specify timing of any planned follow-up visit: \_\_\_\_\_

## Section 7:

Please use this space to enter any other information you feel may be important

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## Section 8:

**8.1** Name of person completing the form: \_\_\_\_\_

**8.2** Designation: \_\_\_\_\_

**8.3** Today's date:   /   /

You may find it useful in the case of queries to keep a copy of this form.

## Definitions

### 1. UK Census Coding for ethnic group

#### WHITE

01. British
02. Irish
03. Any other white background

#### MIXED

04. White and black Caribbean
05. White and black African
06. White and Asian
07. Any other mixed background

#### ASIAN OR ASIAN BRITISH

08. Indian
09. Pakistani
10. Bangladeshi
11. Any other Asian background

#### BLACK OR BLACK BRITISH

12. Caribbean
13. African
14. Any other black background

#### CHINESE OR OTHER ETHNIC GROUP

15. Chinese
16. Any other ethnic group

### 2. Previous or current pregnancy problems, including;

Thrombotic event  
Amniotic fluid embolism  
Eclampsia  
3 or more miscarriages  
Preterm birth or mid trimester loss  
Neonatal death  
Stillbirth  
Baby with a major congenital abnormality  
Small for gestational age (SGA) infant  
Large for gestational age (LGA) infant  
Infant requiring intensive care  
Puerperal psychosis  
Placenta praevia  
Gestational diabetes  
Significant placental abruption  
Post-partum haemorrhage requiring transfusion  
Surgical procedure in pregnancy  
Hyperemesis requiring admission  
Dehydration requiring admission  
Ovarian hyperstimulation syndrome  
Severe infection e.g. pyelonephritis

### 3. Previous or pre-existing maternal medical problems, including:

Cardiac disease (congenital or acquired)  
Renal disease  
Endocrine disorders e.g. hypo or hyperthyroidism  
Psychiatric disorders  
Haematological disorders e.g. sickle cell disease, diagnosed thrombophilia  
Inflammatory disorders e.g. inflammatory bowel disease  
Autoimmune diseases  
Cancer  
HIV

### 4. Estimated date of delivery (EDD)

Use the best estimate (ultrasound scan or date of last menstrual period) based on a 40 week gestation

### 5. Twin to twin transfusion syndrome, please state which twin donor and which twin recipient and then state Quintero stage:

- Stage I. Poly/Oligohydramnios with bladder of the Doner still visible  
Stage II. Bladder of the Doner not visible  
Stage III. Presence of either AEDFV in the UA, reverse flow in the DV, or pulsatile UV in either twin  
Stage IV. Hydrops in either twin  
Stage V. Demise of one or both twins

### 6. Doppler abnormalities:

UMBILICAL ARTERY DOPPLER – pulsatility index (PI) or resistance index (RI) >95th centile, absent end diastolic flow, reversed end-diastolic flow

MIDDLE CEREBRAL ARTERY DOPPLER – PI <5th centile or >95th centile, absent end diastolic flow, MCA peak systolic velocity (PSV) >95th centile

DUCTUS VENOSUS – absent a wave, reversed a wave, peak velocity index for veins (PVIV) >95th centile

### 7. RCA/RCOG/CEMACH/CNST Classification for urgency of caesarean section:

1. Immediate threat to life of woman or fetus
2. Maternal or fetal compromise which is not immediately life-threatening
3. Needing early delivery but no maternal or fetal compromise
4. At a time to suit the woman and maternity team

### 8. Major maternal medical complications, including:

Persistent vegetative state  
Cardiac arrest  
Cerebrovascular accident  
Adult respiratory distress syndrome  
Disseminated intravascular coagulopathy  
HELLP  
Pulmonary oedema  
Mendelson's syndrome  
Renal failure  
Thrombotic event  
Septicaemia  
Required ventilation

### 9. Fetal/infant complications, including:

Respiratory distress syndrome  
Intraventricular haemorrhage  
Necrotising enterocolitis  
Neonatal encephalopathy  
Chronic lung disease  
Severe jaundice requiring phototherapy  
Major congenital anomaly  
Severe infection e.g. septicaemia, meningitis  
Exchange transfusion