

Table 1 Characteristics of case patients receiving metoclopramide and control patients

Factor	Cases (<i>n</i> = 68)		Controls (<i>n</i> = 152)		df	Test statistic	<i>P</i> -value
	No.	%	No.	%			
<i>Age (years)</i>							
< 30	30	44.1	50	32.9	3	3.283	0.350
30-39	8	11.8	19	12.5			
40-49	5	7.4	9	5.9			
≥ 50	25	36.7	74	48.7			
<i>Sex</i>							
Female	19	27.9	57	37.5	1	1.898	0.168
Male	49	72.1	95	62.5			
<i>Tracheal intubation</i>							
No	31	45.6	46	30.3	1	4.850	0.028
Yes	37	54.4	106	69.7			
<i>Underlying problem</i>							
Neurosurgery	49	72.1	70	46.1	2	14.873	0.001
Laparotomy	11	16.2	30	19.7			
Other	8	11.8	52	34.2			

df = degrees of freedom.