Supplementary file 2

Table 6 Performance of original and alternative alarm strategies

Strategy	Parameter setting	S _{early} (% of AEs preceded by TP _{early} alarms)	S _{total} (% of AEs with TP alarms)	Total alarm rate (alarms/ patient/ day)	False detectio n rate (% of alarms classified as false positive)	P-score
Original	Default	39	61	0.49	59	N.A.
I. Threshold individualization	CDF _{low} : 0.1% CDF _{high} : 99.9%	44	61	0.92	84	-1
	CDF _{low} : 0.5% CDF _{high} : 99.5%	50	67	1.44	84	0
	CDF _{low} : 1% CDF _{high} : 99%	56	78	1.81	83	0*
II. Postoperative elevation of upper thresholds	PO _{increase} : 5% for HR/RR PO _{increase} : 1% for T	33	56	0.42	45	-1*
	PO _{increase} : 10% for HR/RR PO _{increase} : 2.5% for T	28	56	0.40	40	-2
	PO _{increase} : 25% for HR/RR PO _{increase} : 5% for T	22	33	0.35	41	-2
III. Increase annunciation delay interval	Linterval: 12 samples	33	50	0.25	50	0*
	<i>L_{interval}</i> : 17 samples	28	44	0.16	50	-1
	<i>L_{interval}</i> : 22 samples	28	44	0.14	52	-1
IV. Daytime elevation of upper HR/RR thresholds	DT _{increase} : 5% for HR DT _{increase} : 15% for RR	33	50	0.35	66	-1*
	DT _{increase} : 10% for HR DT _{increase} : 25% for RR	28	50	0.32	67	-2
	<i>DT</i> _{increase} : 25% for HR <i>DT</i> _{increase} : 35% for RR	22	44	0.29	63	-2
V. Nighttime reduction of lower HR/RR thresholds	NT _{increase} : 5% for HR NT _{increase} : 15% for RR	39	61	0.46	55	1
	NT _{increase} : 10% for HR NT _{increase} : 25% for RR	39	61	0.45	55	1*
	NT _{increase} : 25% for HR NT _{increase} : 35% for RR	39	61	0.45	55	1
VI. Slope-based alarms	T _{slope} : 4 h	50	78	3.5	94	0*
	T _{slope} : 8 h	6	17	0.7	97	-4
	T _{slope} : 12 h	6	17	0.3	88	-2

For definition of alarm strategies (I–VI) and corresponding parameters see Table 1 of the manuscript. S_{total} : sensitivity for detection of adverse events, S_{early} : sensitivity for early detection of adverse events, P-score: performance score (for specification see Table 2 of manuscript), AE: adverse event (N=18), TP: True positive alarm, TP_{early}: true positive alarm presenting before presentation of the adverse event, N.A: Not applicable. *selected as setting with best performance

Table 7 Performance of combined alternative alarm strategies

Ι	П	III	IV	V	Searly (% of AEs preceded by TP _{early} alarms)	S _{total} (% of AEs with TP alarms)	Total alarm rate (alarms/ patient/ day)	False detection rate (% of alarms classified as false positive)	P-score
Х	х	х	х	х	56%	78%	2.33	91%	0
Х	х	Х	х		56%	78%	2.31	91%	0
Х	х	Х		х	56%	78%	2.12	92%	0
Х	х		х	х	67%	83%	3.03	91%	0
Х		х	х	х	44%	56%	0.85	80%	1
	х	х	х	х	56%	67%	0.55	75%	2
Х	х	Х			56%	78%	2.10	91%	0
Х	х			х	67%	83%	2.83	92%	0
Х			х	x	61%	72%	1.53	83%	0
		х	х	х	28%	44%	0.18	50%	-1
	х	Х	х		56%	67%	0.58	76%	2
Х		Х		х	56%	72%	1.03	81%	0
	х		х	х	61%	72%	0.65	74%	2
Х		Х	x		44%	56%	0.83	80%	1
Х	х		х		67%	83%	2.96	91%	1
	х	Х		X	61%	72%	0.59	70%	2
Х	х				67%	83%	2.75	91%	0
Х		х			56%	72%	1.01	81%	0
Х			Х		61%	72%	1.45	83%	0
Х				Х	61%	78%	1.89	84%	0
	х	х			61%	72%	0.62	71%	2
	Х		Х		61%	72%	0.69	76%	2
	X			Х	67%	78%	0.76	67%	1
		Х	Х		28%	44%	0.20	56%	-1
		Х		Х	33%	50%	0.23	45%	0
			Х	Х	33%	50%	0.30	60%	-1

I–V: number of alternative alarm strategy (for definition see Table 1 of manuscript) implemented using optimal parameter settings (as mentioned in Table of manuscript). The crosses indicate that the considering alternative alarm strategy was included in the combination. S_{total} : sensitivity for detection of adverse events, S_{total} : sensitivity for detection of adverse events, S_{early} : sensitivity for early detection of adverse events, P-score: performance score (for specification see Table 2 of manuscript), N.A: Not applicable