

Trial flow

Enrollment

Assessed for eligibility (n=260)

Excluded (n= 132)
Not meeting inclusion criteria (n=120)
Declined to participate (n=8)
Other reasons (n=4)

Randomized (n=128)

Allocation

Allocated to intervention (n=75)
Did not received allocated intervention
(residual gastric volume greater than 500 ml/24 h) (n=21:
abdominal surgery =11, neurosurgery =2, trauma =8)

Allocated to control group (n=53)

Received allocated intervention (n=53)

Follow-Up

Lost to follow-up (ICU stay < 48 hours) (n=5)
Discontinued intervention (n=0)

Lost to follow-up (ICU stay < 48 hours) (n=3)
Discontinued intervention (n=0)

Analysis

Analysed (n=49)
Excluded from analysis (n=0)

Analysed (n=50)
Excluded from analysis (n= 0)