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## 10840 Neonatal Life-Saving Technologies – an Overview

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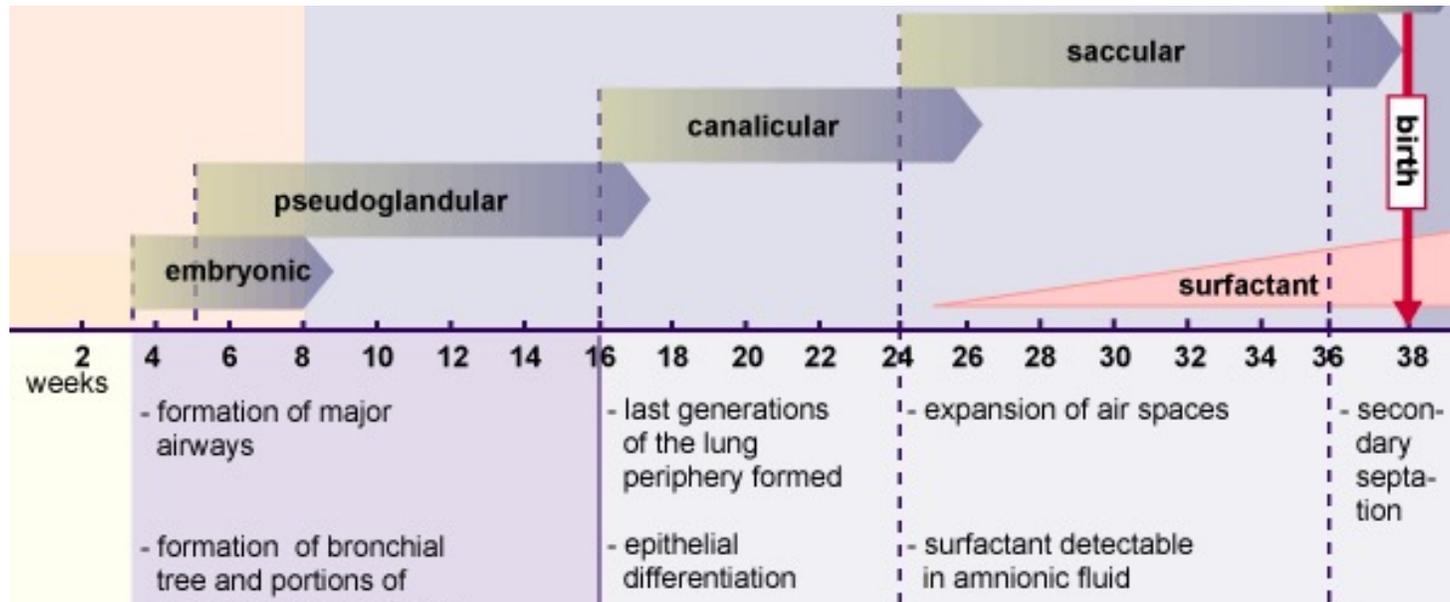
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# Description

The main causes of mortality in premature infants revolve around issues with the underdeveloped heart and lungs. To prevent premature births, numerous drugs and been developed to reduce the occurrence of preterm labor. These drugs, however, do not always work. What happens if the infant is born prematurely?

# Biweekly Lung Development in Utero



# Average Likelihood of Infant Survival by Gestational Age

<b>Gestational Age</b>	<b>Likelihood of Survival</b>
22 weeks	0%
23 weeks	17%
24 weeks	39%
25 weeks	50%
26 weeks	80%
27 weeks	90%
28-31 weeks	90-95%
32-33 weeks	95%
34+ weeks	95-100%

# Goals of the project and final users that will benefit

This study investigated current biologics and technologies being used in neonatal intensive care units, as well as life-saving technologies currently still under development.

# Results

An artificial womb has a potential to provide a shift in how we treat and support premature infants. Further research, as well as review of ethical implications, in this and other potentially life-saving technologies is warranted.

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