Figure 1: CONSORT flow diagram of the trial

Assessed for eligibility

Excluded
- Not meeting inclusion criteria
- Declined to participate
- Other reasons

Randomised (n = 152)

Allocated to dexamethason (n = 76):
- Received allocated intervention
  
  - Lost to follow-up
  - Discontinued intervention

Allocated to placebo (n = 76):
- Received allocated intervention
  
  - Lost to follow-up
  - Discontinued intervention

Analysed intention to treat:
- Excluded from analysis

Analysed per protocol:
- Excluded from analysis

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