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Hello all,

Great news! The lung specialist we met with told us that Sophia is out of the woods! Now she can be considered a *regular* little baby. We will still see the lung specialist periodically throughout her childhood to make sure her lungs are developing normally.

We are still looking into the cause of why Sophia had (had, past-tense is a beautiful thing!) hydrops. The genetics department called us and said that all the genetics tests they ran came back normal. The infectious disease doctor ran tests; all of which came back negative. It might have something to do with the fact that I acquired Mono in my second trimester, however Mono has no known link to hydrops, so is still just a possibility, according to the doctors. We will be working with the infectious disease doctor over the next year to see if the Mono did actually cause the hydrops.

Rob and I are enjoying being stay at home parents this summer. (We are both high-school teachers.) Sophia is doing great and now up to about 8/8.5 pounds. Everyday we do a little bit of "tummy time". She is a strong little girl. She is lifting her head and trying to do little push-ups with her legs. She is doing great!

Thank you all so much for your prayer, thoughts, and support over the last couple of months. We are very grateful to you and God for healing our little baby.

God bless,  
Danielle, Rob, and Sophia





