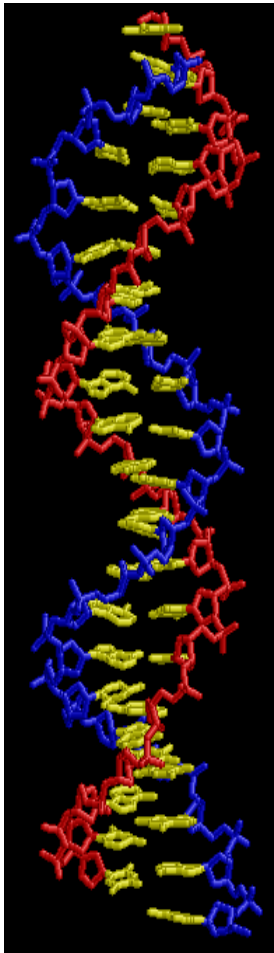


Preimplantation Genetic Diagnosis



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Indications PGD



Single Gene Defects

Gender Selection
X-Linked Diseases

PGD

Structural Chromosomal
Aberrations
Deletions
Translocations

HLA Typing

PGS=CCS

Aneuploidy
Advanced Maternal Age
Recurrent Pregnancy Loss
Multiple Failed IVF cycles

Screening vs. Diagnosis

TABLE 1

Screening versus diagnostic testing of chromosome copy number in preimplantation embryos.

Screening

All patients
Minimally invasive
All embryos
Rapid with fresh transfer

High efficiency
Direct or indirect
Accurate
 Low false negatives
 acceptable
Clinically effective
 Randomized control trials
Low cost

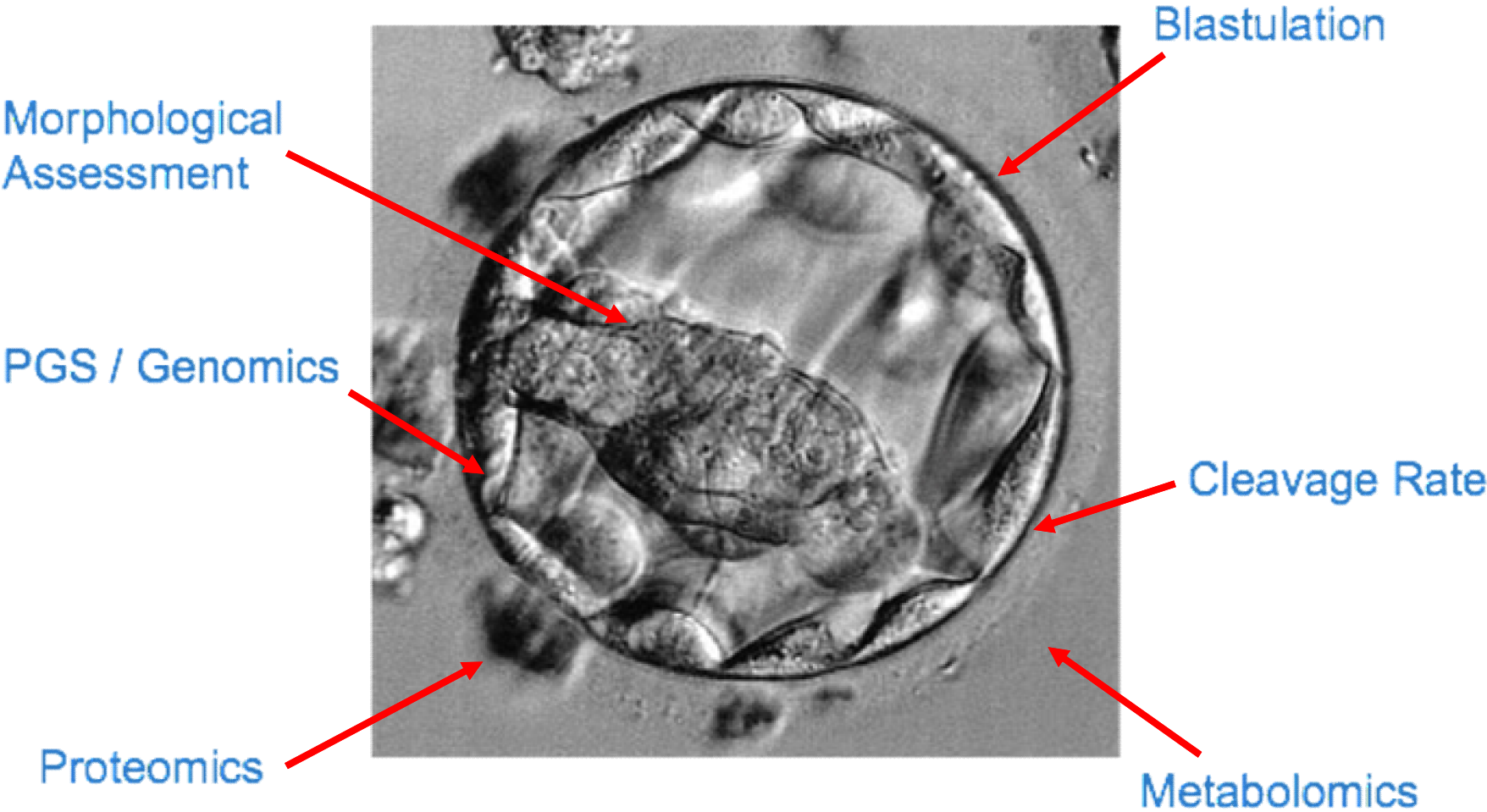
Diagnosis

Specific indications
Invasive
Good-quality embryos only
Rapid with fresh transfer, or not time
 limited with vitrification
Moderate efficiency
Direct
Highly accurate
 Tolerate false positives
 No false negatives
Validation of diagnostic accuracy

Medium to high cost

Handyside. 24-chromosome copy number analysis. Fertil Steril 2013.

Embryo Assessment



Embryo Development



Aneuploidy Rate

80%

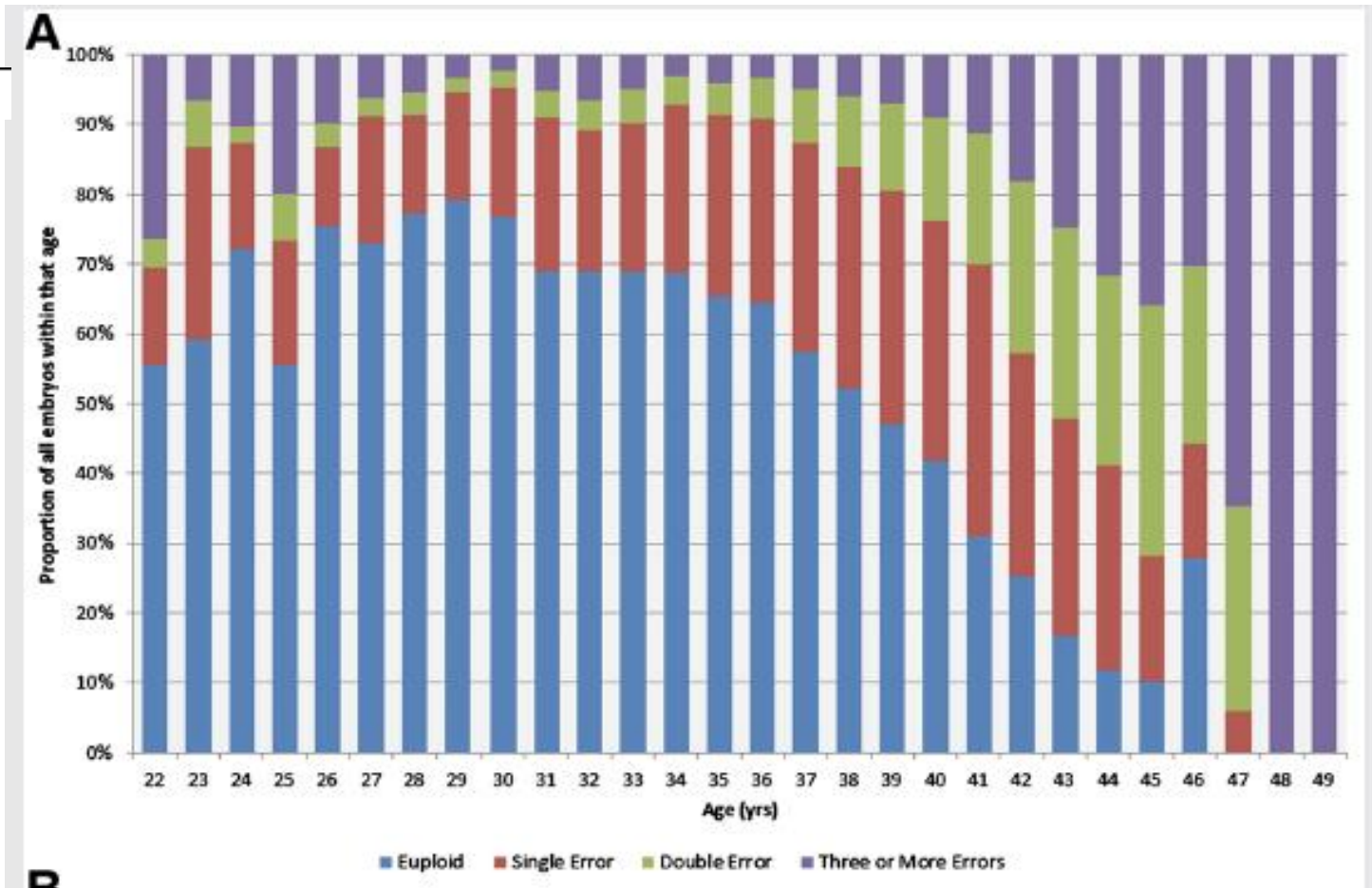
40%

Munne et al, 2013; Yang et al, 2012; Peterson, et al. GSN 2012

The nature of aneuploidy with increasing age of the female partner: a review of 15,169 consecutive trophoctoderm biopsies evaluated with comprehensive chromosomal screening

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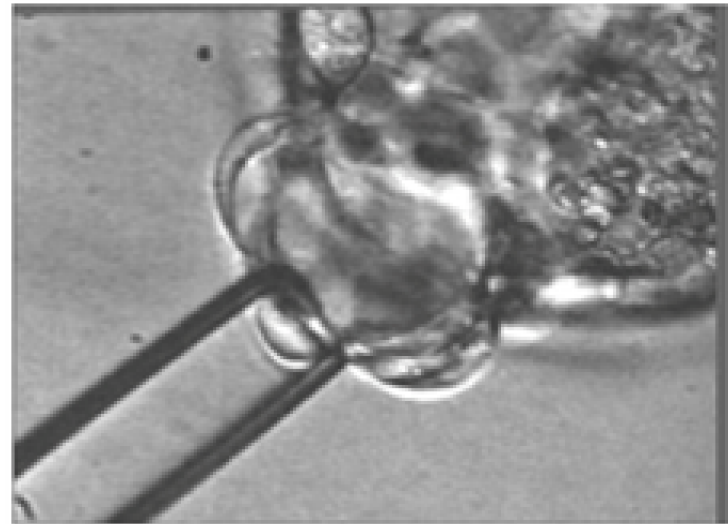


Trophectoderm Biopsy

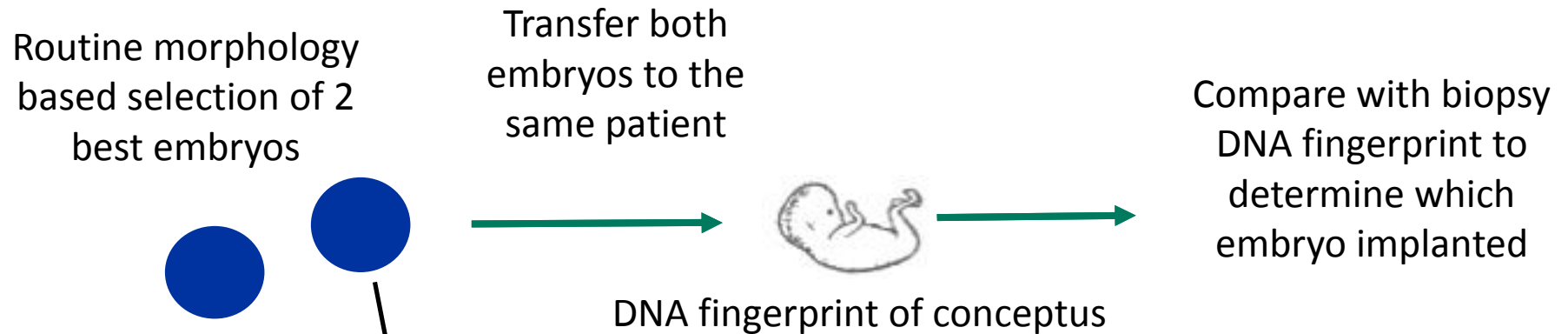


- Move away from D3 biopsy
- More Cells
- Biopsy only “viable” embryos
- More accurate testing

- Blastocyst biopsy
- D5/6
- Accurate determination of chromosomal component
- Multiple cells ripped/torn/cut from embryo
- May require embryo freezing/vitrification



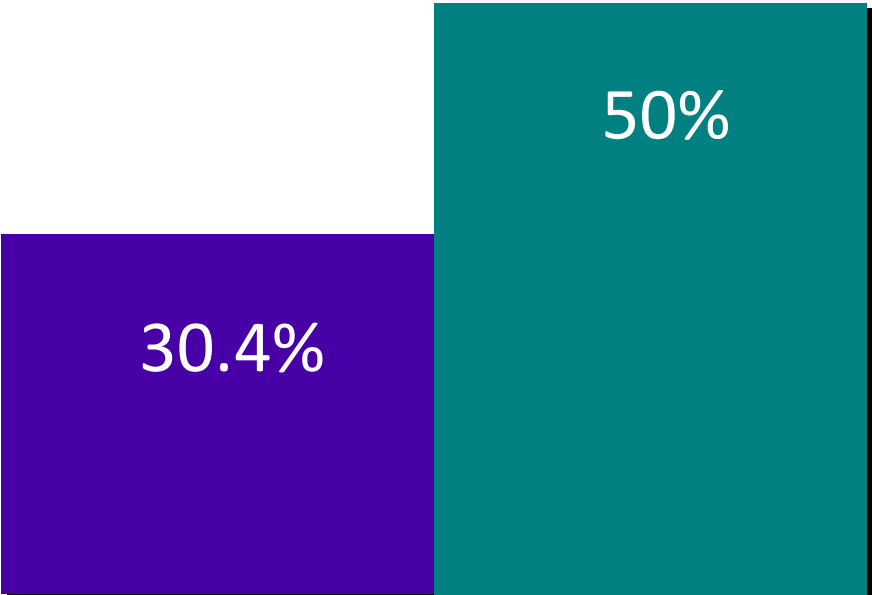
A Novel Study Design to Determine Impact of Biopsy



This design eliminates all known and unknown patient specific variables from the analysis of impact of biopsy.

Blastomere Biopsy

■ Biopsied ■ Non-Biopsied



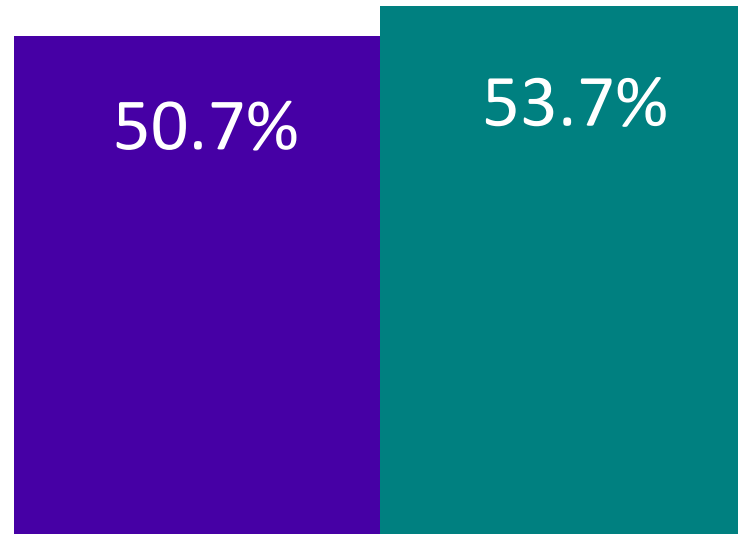
Reduction 39%

Mean maternal age 32 years



Trophectoderm Biopsy

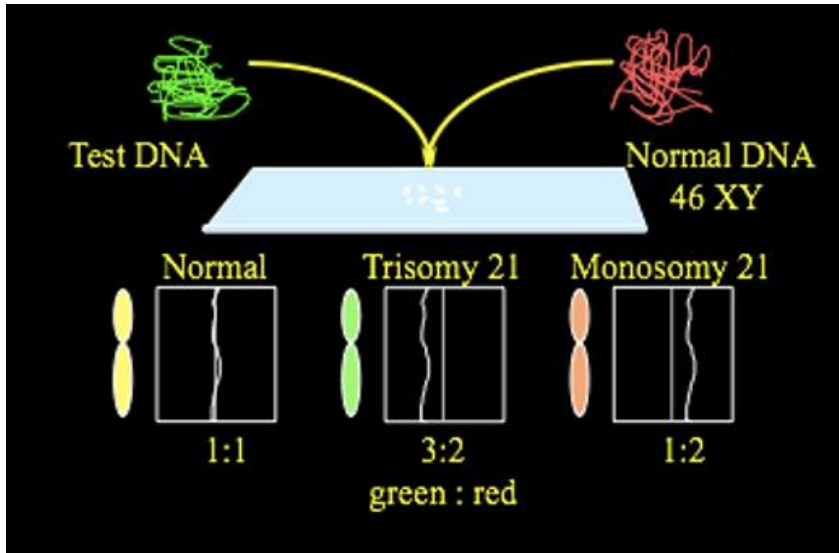
■ Biopsied ■ Non-Biopsied



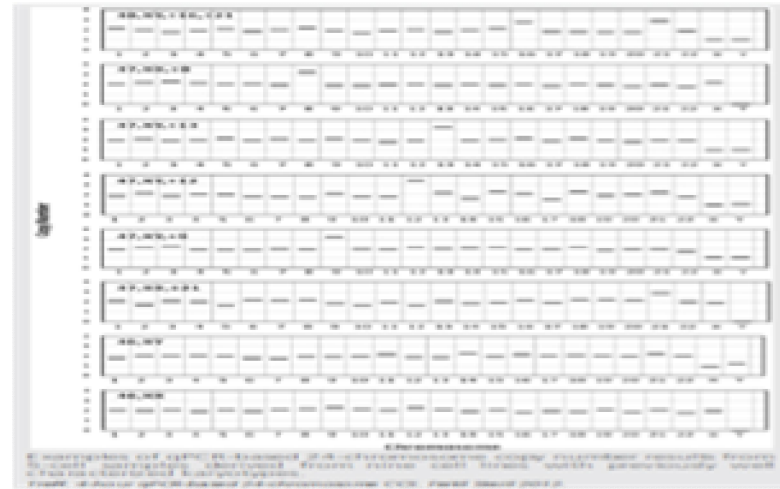
Non Significant

Implantation %

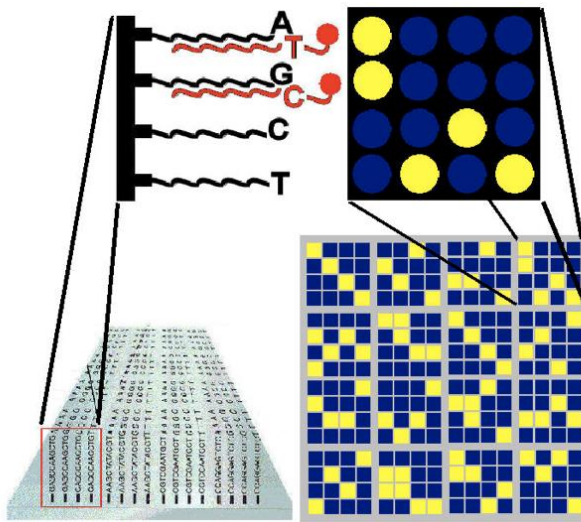




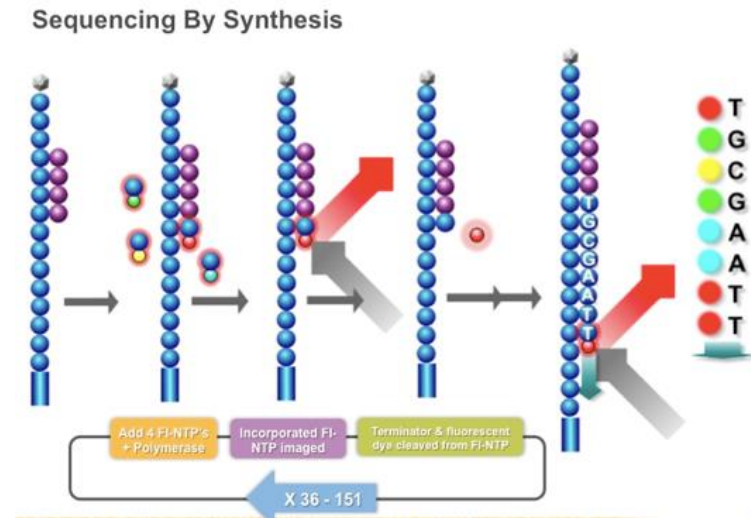
Comparative genome hybridization (CGH)



Quantitative PCR

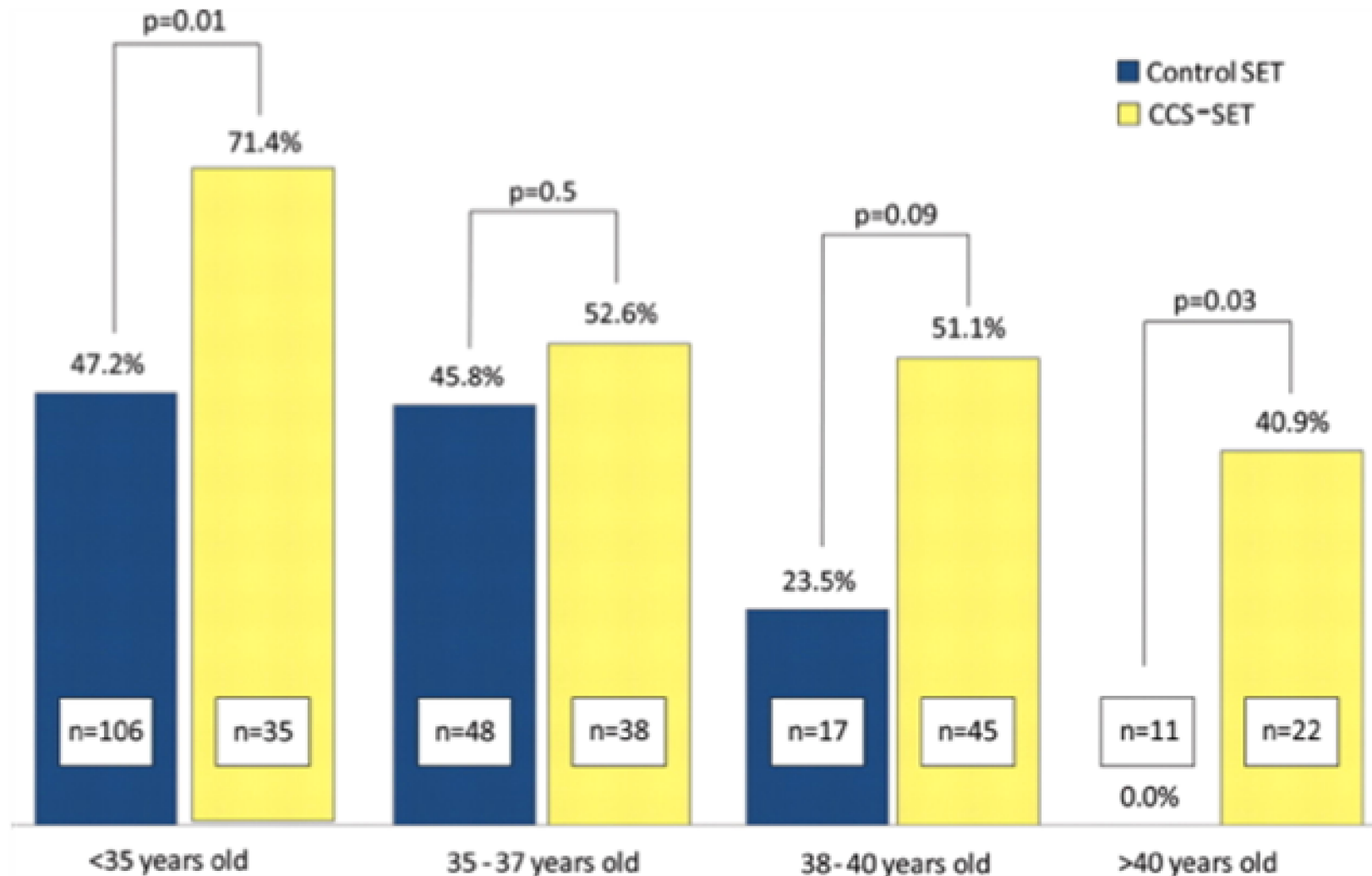


Single Nucleotide Polymorphism



Next Generation Sequencing

Ongoing Pregnancy SET vs. CCS SET

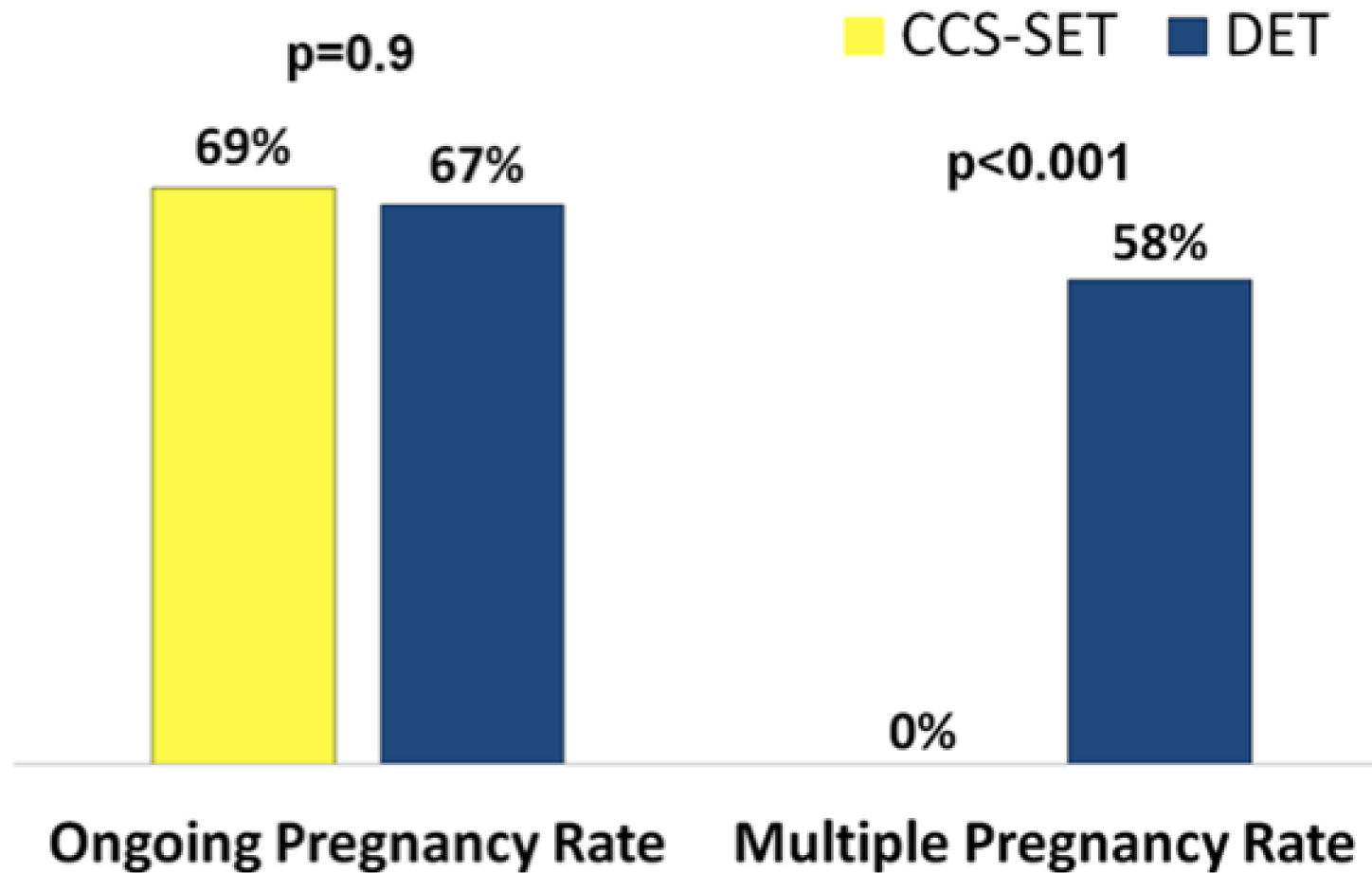


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human
reproduction

CCS-SET vs. DET RCT



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PGD with TBx

- Class I data demonstrates increased implantation and delivery rates and reduced multiple gestation rates by empowering more effective SET.
- Sustained IR of 60% or higher even in women in their early forties.

Diminished effect of maternal age on implantation after preimplantation genetic diagnosis with array comparative genomic hybridization

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Equivalent ongoing pregnancy rates

TABLE 3

Comparison of ongoing pregnancy rate per embryo biopsy cycle and per transfer between day 3 biopsy or blastocyst biopsy.

Age group (y)	Day 3 biopsy		Age group (y)	Day 5/6 biopsy	
	OP/BX cycle ^{a,b}	OP/transfer ^{c,d}		OP/BX cycle ^{a,b}	OP/transfer ^{c,d}
<35	43.4% (49/113)	48.5% (49/101)	<35	57.4% (85/148)	64.4% (85/132)
35–37	40.8% (31/76)	50.8% (31/61)	35–37	47.4% (46/97)	59.0% (46/78)
38–40	34.4% (44/128)	48.9% (44/90)	38–40	39.1% (45/115)	53.6% (45/84)
41–42	20.0% (16/80)	38.1% (16/42)	41–42	28.6% (18/63)	54.5% (18/33)
>42	9.3% (5/54)	5/20	>42	10.3% (4/39)	4/16

Note: OP = Ongoing pregnancy as determined by the presence of a fetal sac at ultrasound investigation.

^a The existence of an association between age and ongoing pregnancy per embryo biopsy cycle was tested using Contingency Chi Squared (2 X 2 X 5) analysis (χ^2). χ^2 was 64.3 with 9 degrees of freedom ($P < .01$). The significance of this χ^2 value indicates that there was a significant association of ongoing pregnancy per cycle start with age.

^b Associations between ongoing pregnancy per biopsy cycle and day 3 biopsy versus day 5/6 biopsy were tested using Chi Squared Analysis (2 X 5). χ^2 was 14.6 with 5 degrees of freedom ($.01 < P < .02$) when day 3 observations were tested using day 5/6 expectations. The significance of the χ^2 values indicates that the incidence of pregnancy per start was associated with biopsy day.

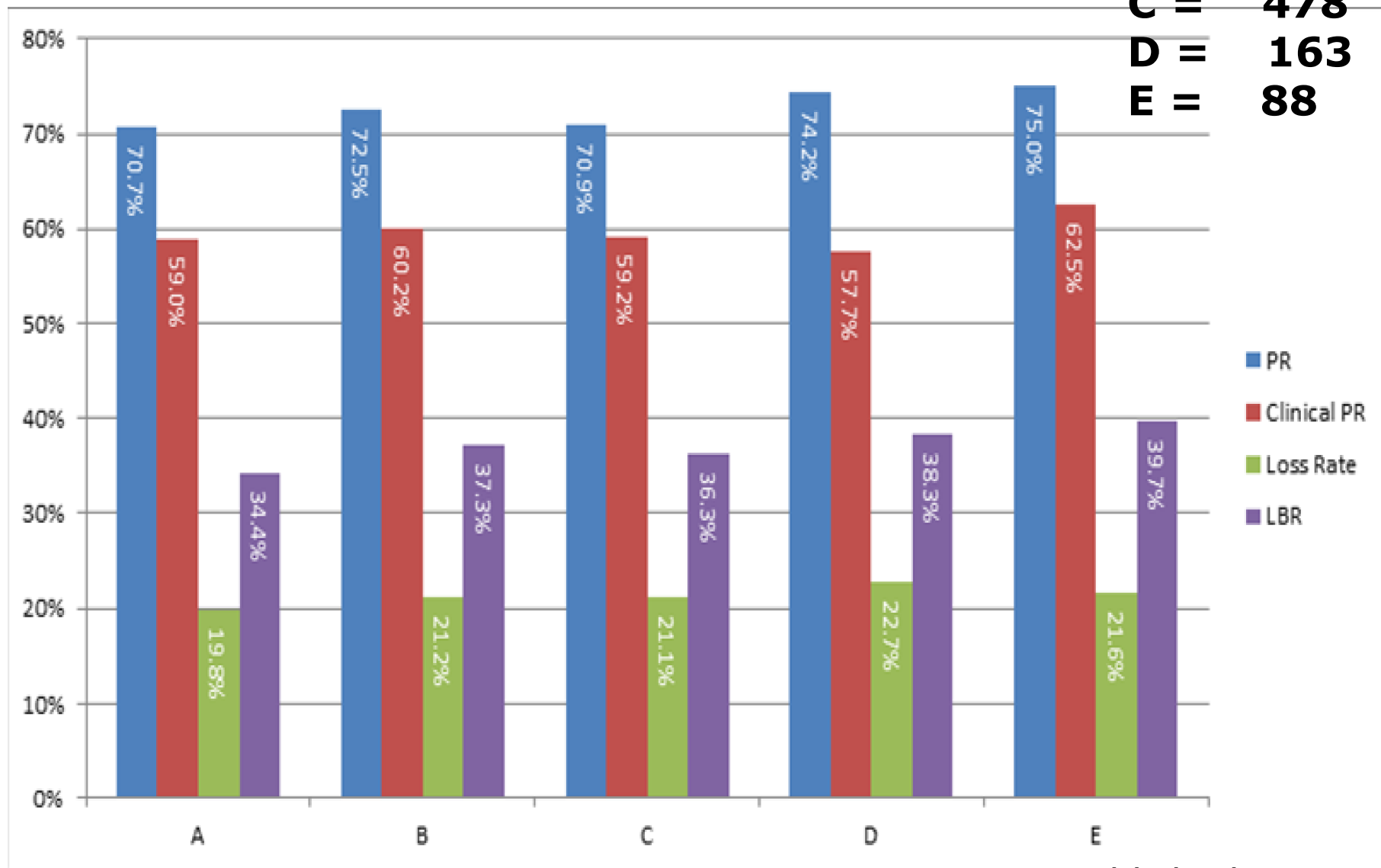
^c The existence of an association between age and ongoing pregnancy per transfer was tested using Contingency Chi Squared (2 X 2 X 5) analysis (χ^2). χ^2 was 15.9 with 9 degrees of freedom ($.05 < P < .10$). The lack of significance of this χ^2 value indicates that there was no significant association between the incidence of ongoing pregnancy per transfer and age groups.

^d Associations between incidence of pregnancy per transfer and day 3 biopsy versus day 5/6 biopsy were tested using Chi Squared Analysis (2 X 5). χ^2 was 18.2 with 5 degrees of freedom ($.0025 < P < .005$) when day 3 observations were tested using day 5/6 expectations. The significance of the χ^2 values indicates that the incidence of ongoing pregnancy per transfer was associated with biopsy day.

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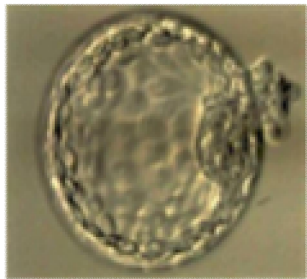
PGD Results RMA of NY

A = 646
B = 477
C = 478
D = 163
E = 88



Unpublished DATA

PGD Protocol at RMA NY



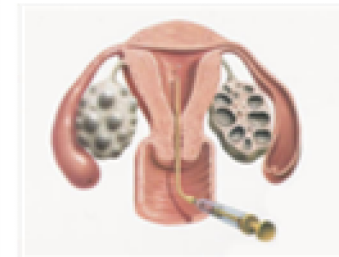
Blastocyst Stage



Embryo Biopsy



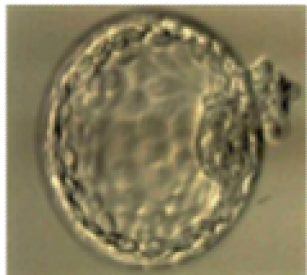
Quantitative PCR-CCS



Embryo Transfer

DAY 5

DAY 6

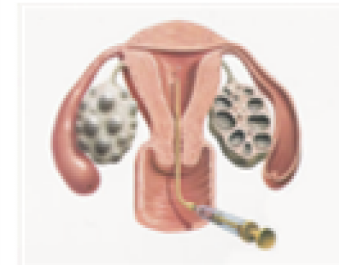


Blastocyst Stage



Embryo Biopsy

**Quantitative
PCR
aCGH
NGS**



Embryo Transfer

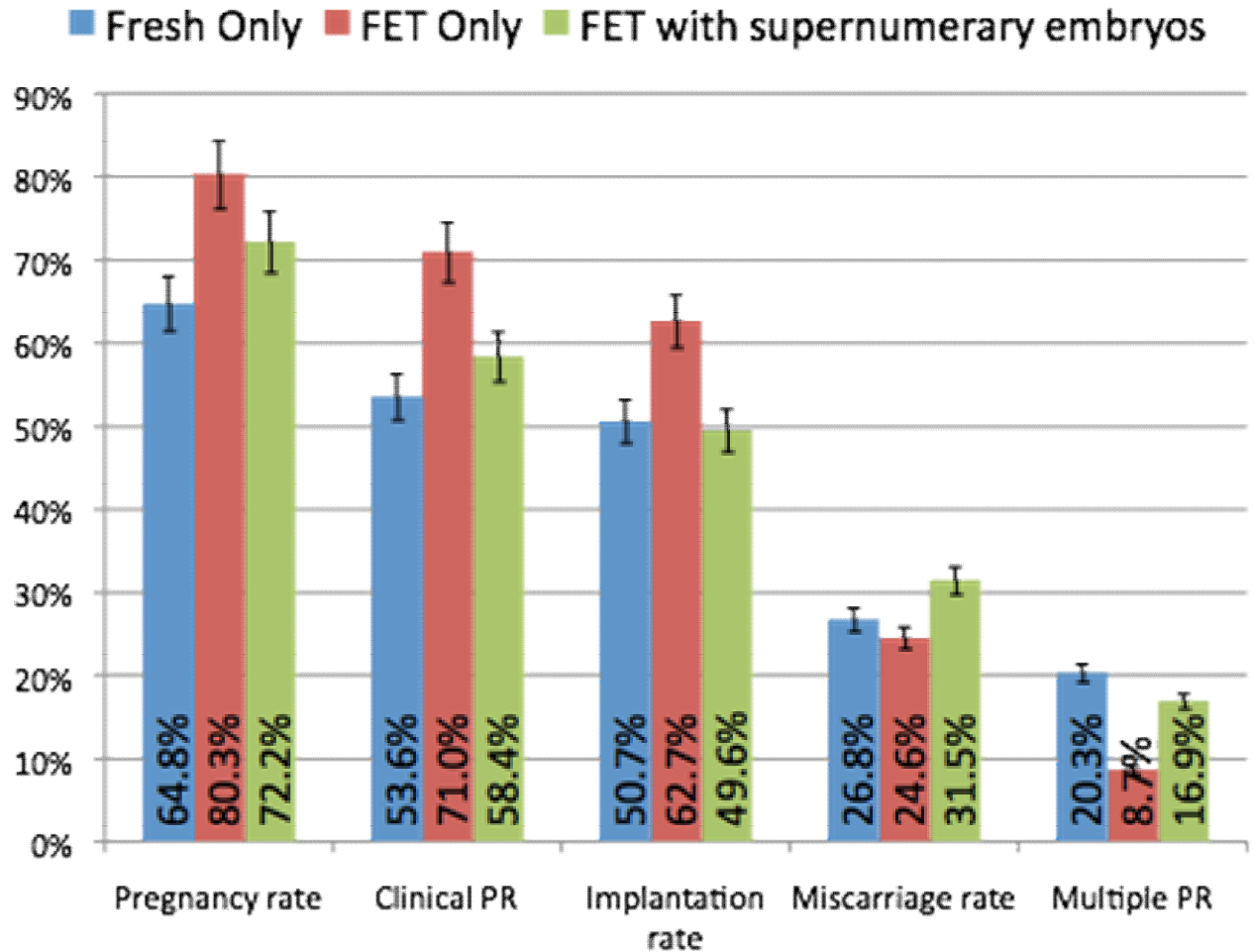
Days 5-6

VITRIFY ALL EMBRYOS

Synthetic FET

PGD Results RMA of NY

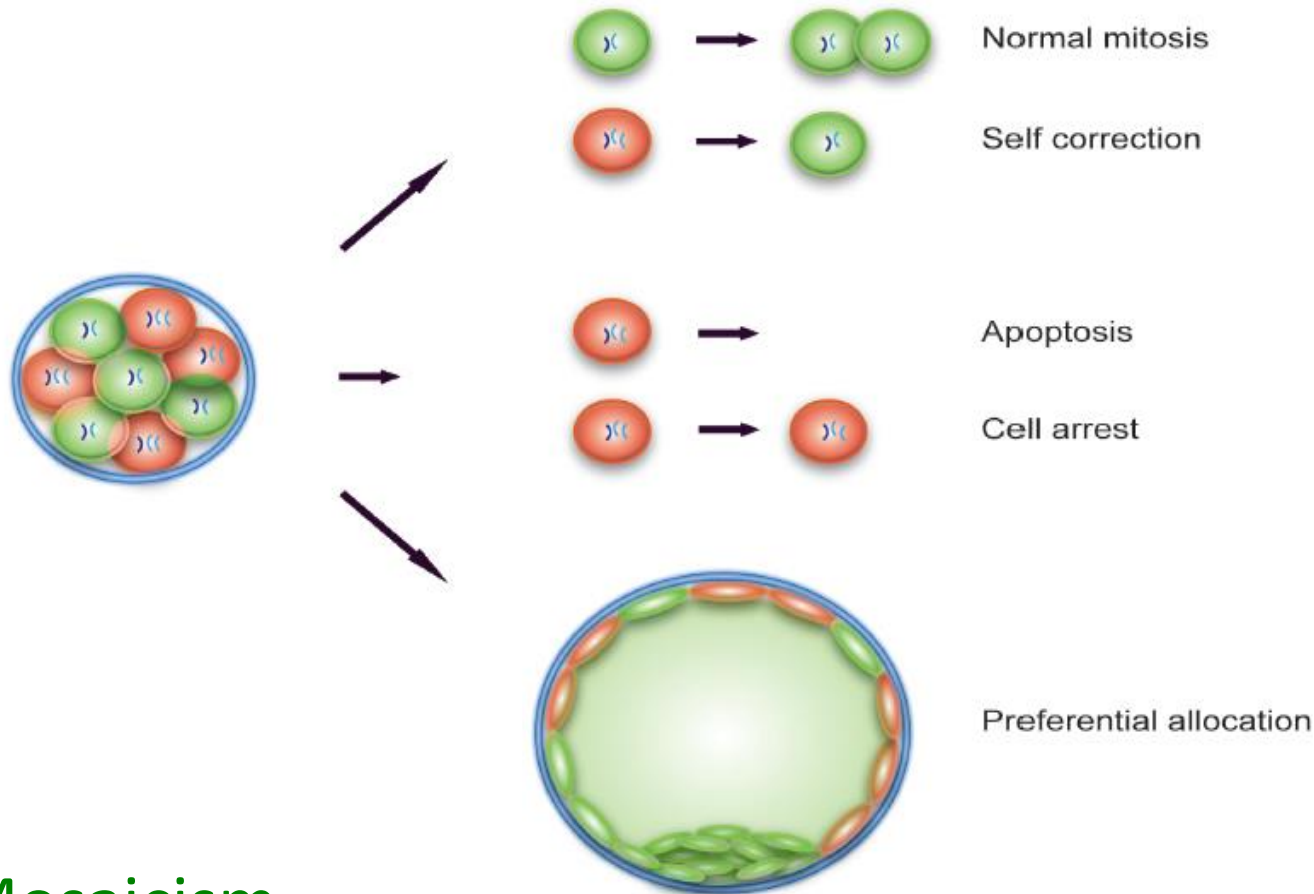
- IVF PGD Jan2011 - Dec 2014
- "FRESH only" (n=293) - results within 24 hrs
- "FET only " (n=290) - all embryos vitrified (no fresh ET)
- "FET after fresh ET" (n=101) - first fresh ET then FET from same cohort of embryos



Pitfalls with PGD TBx

- Remains disappointing that a large percentage of morphologically normal euploid blastocysts fail to implant
- Loss rate is not 0%
- Blastocysts must achieve a good enough morphological quality to undergo biopsy, hence early blastocysts or regular quality blastocysts will not undergo biopsy and will be discarded

Mosaicism



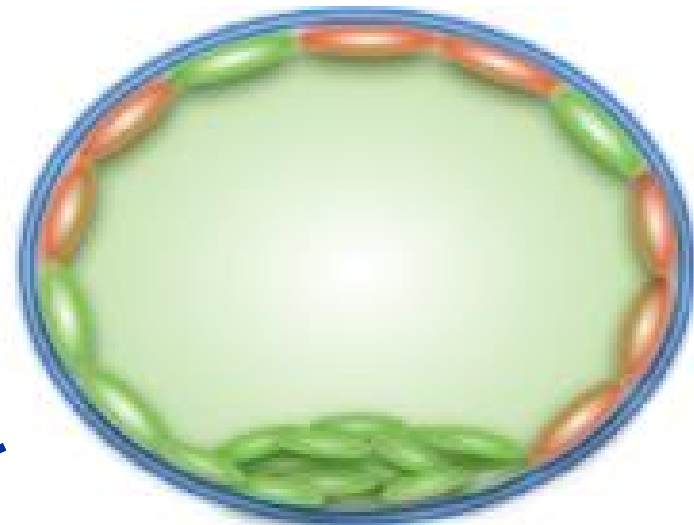
Mosaicism
Day 3 - 40-60%
Day 5 - 20%

How are these cells allocated within the trophectoderm?
Are they located randomly in clusters?
What is the probability of biopsying these cells?
When did the formation of these mosaic cells occur?

Mosaicism

“Pure Aneuploid”
False Abnormal
Lack of opportunity for
implanting

Sampling Errors



Euploid Embryo
False Normal
Failed Implantation

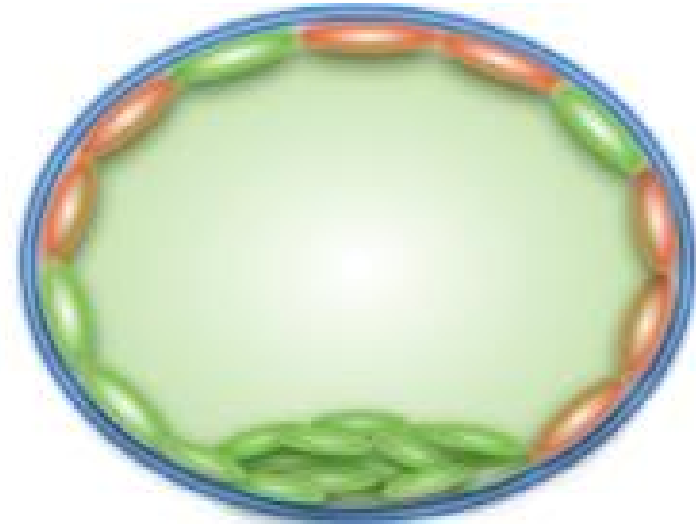


Mosaicism

Reciprocal Errors

Trisomy 13

Monosomy 13



Cells placed in a reaction tube and lysed



Frees DNA from all cells creating a mixture

Analyzed as a single sample

The amount of DNA from Chr 13 would be equal

Mosaicism undetected



Mosaicism

Current reporting
data

PGD result: 20% mosaic
To Transfer ?

ABNORMAL RESULT: Reciprocal errors -- 40%
monosomic and 60% trisomic cells
Difference = 20%

Indistinguishable from a sample that is
80% disomic and 20% trisomic



Mosaicism

A definite diagnosis as mosaic is not possible from a single trophectoderm in which all cells are lysed and the DNA analyzed in aggregates.

“At risk for mosaicism”

If a mosaic blast has reduced IR, then deselecting those embryos would remove some of the less competent ones from the pool of transferable embryos

Reproductive Potential ?

Given the reduced accuracy of this result, deselecting reproductively competent embryos may result in a reduced pregnancy rate per VOR

Healthy Babies after Intrauterine Transfer of Mosaic Aneuploid Blastocysts

Table 1. Clinical Outcomes of Single Mosaic Blastocysts Transferred.*

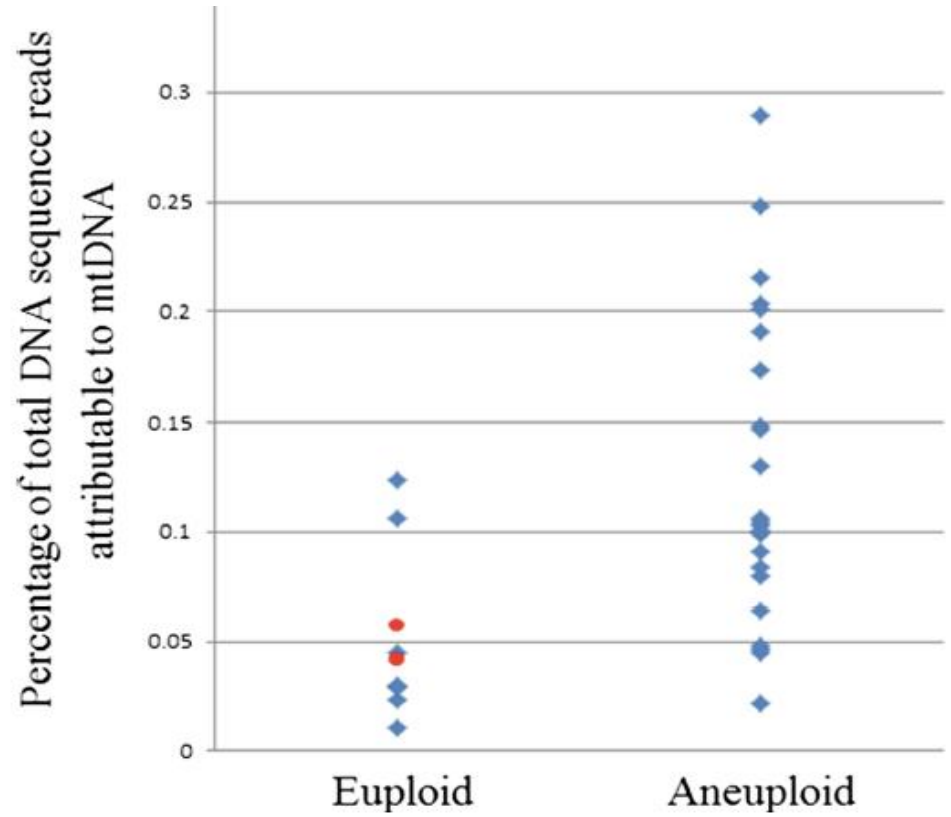
Patient No.	Chromosomal Constitution	Mosaicism† <i>percent</i>	Karyotype‡	Clinical Outcome
1	arr(4)x1,(10)x1	40	46,XX	Baby healthy at birth
2	arr(6)x1,(15)x1	50	46,XX	Baby healthy at birth
3	arr(2)x1	40	46,XX	Baby healthy at birth
4	arr(2)x1	35	46,XY	Baby healthy at birth
5	arr(5)x1	50	46,XX	Baby healthy at birth
6	arr(5)x1,(7)x1	40	46,XX	Baby healthy at birth
7	arr(11)x1,(20)x3,(21)x3	30	NA	No pregnancy
8	arr(1)x1,(6)x3,(10)x3,(12)x3,(13)x3,(14)x3,(21)x3	50	NA	No pregnancy
9	arr(3)x1,(10)x3,(21)x3	35	NA	No pregnancy
10	arr(1)x3	50	NA	Biochemical pregnancy§
11	arr 9p21.2q34.3(26,609,645-140,499,771)x3	45	NA	Biochemical pregnancy§
12	arr(15)x3	30	NA	No pregnancy
13	arr(18)x1	50	NA	No pregnancy
14	arr(18)x1	50	NA	No pregnancy
15	arr(18)x1	40	NA	No pregnancy
16	arr(4)x1	50	NA	No pregnancy
17	arr(5)x3	40	NA	No pregnancy
18	arr 10q21.3q26.3(67,216,644-134,326,648)x3	50	NA	No pregnancy

MtDNA NGS

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Clinical utilisation of a rapid low-pass whole genome sequencing technique for the diagnosis of aneuploidy in human embryos prior to implantation

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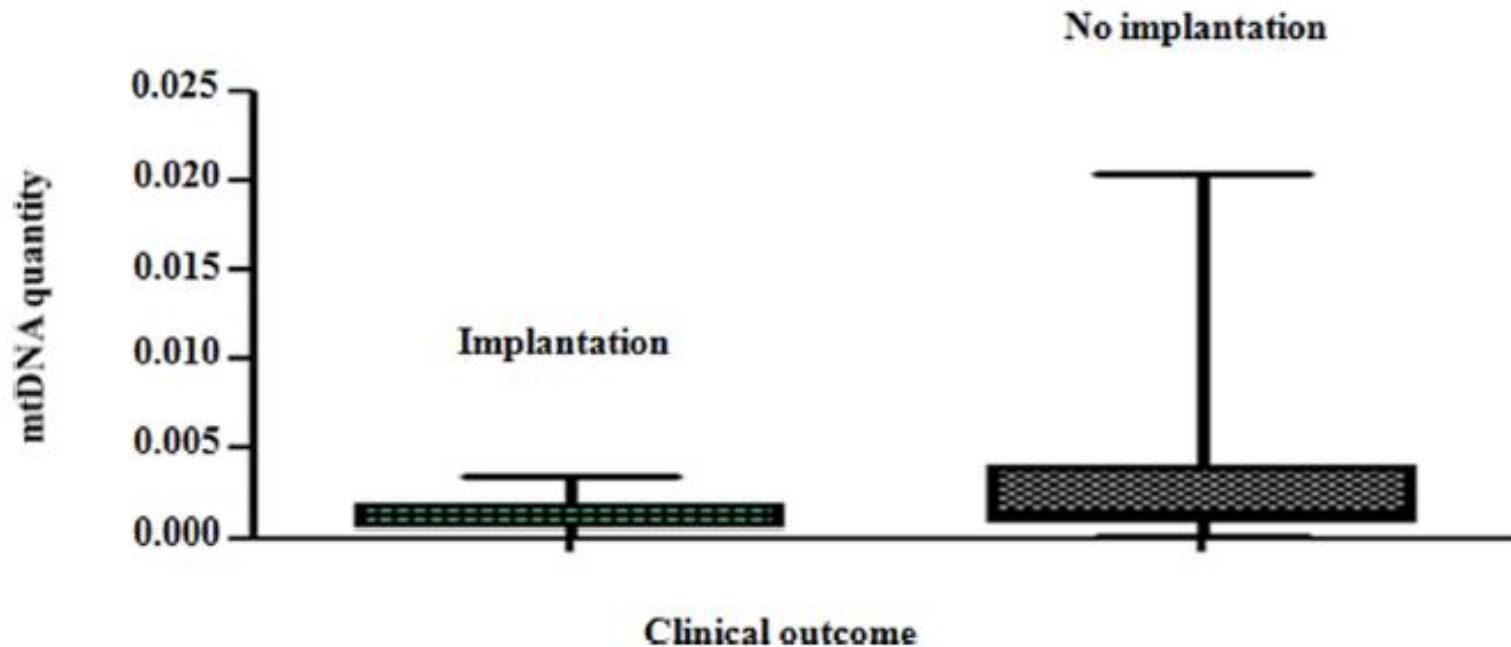
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Transferred Embryos Based on Euploidy Status by CGHa and NGS

Altered Levels of Mitochondrial DNA Are Associated with Female Age, Aneuploidy, and Provide an Independent Measure of Embryonic Implantation Potential

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For Discussion

- Because of these pitfalls, who should we offer PGD to?
 - RPL?
 - Advanced Maternal Age?
 - Multiple Failed IVF cycles?
 - ALL?

- With Mitochondrial DNA?

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