

# ***Preeclampsia – Screening and prevention?***

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# Preeclampsia

- Preeclampsia ( PE) is a syndrome of multiple dysfunctional organ due to reduced blood perfusion to sustain the growing fetus, after vasoconstriction and activate intravascular factors
- Incidence 2-6%, Vietnam: 2,34- 4%

# Preeclampsia

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## Mother

Eclampsia  
HELLP syndrome  
Acute pulmonary edema  
cerebral hemorrhage  
liver rupture  
Acute renal failure  
Heart disease  
Placental abruption

## Fetus

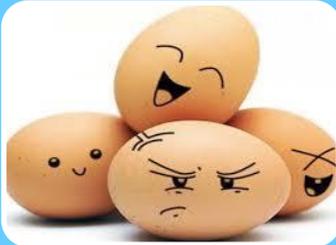
Fetal growth  
retardation  
Preterm birth  
Respiratory failure  
Infection  
Stillbirth

# Preclampsia

- PE is main cause of maternal mortality of 16% in developing countries, 29% in Vietnam (2011), 25% in 32 Southern provinces (2013)
- More than 50% of PE mortality can be prevented (*Berg et al 2005*)
- Perinatal death by Preeclampsia: 25%

■ 32 provinces in the south 25%

# Prevention



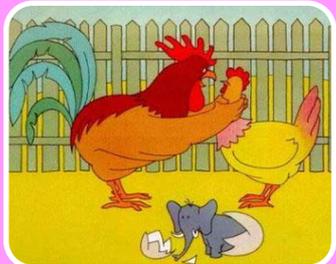
## Level 1: Screening

- identification of high-risk PE pregnancies
- Early screening



## Level 2: Early prediction of PE – Prevent to severe PE

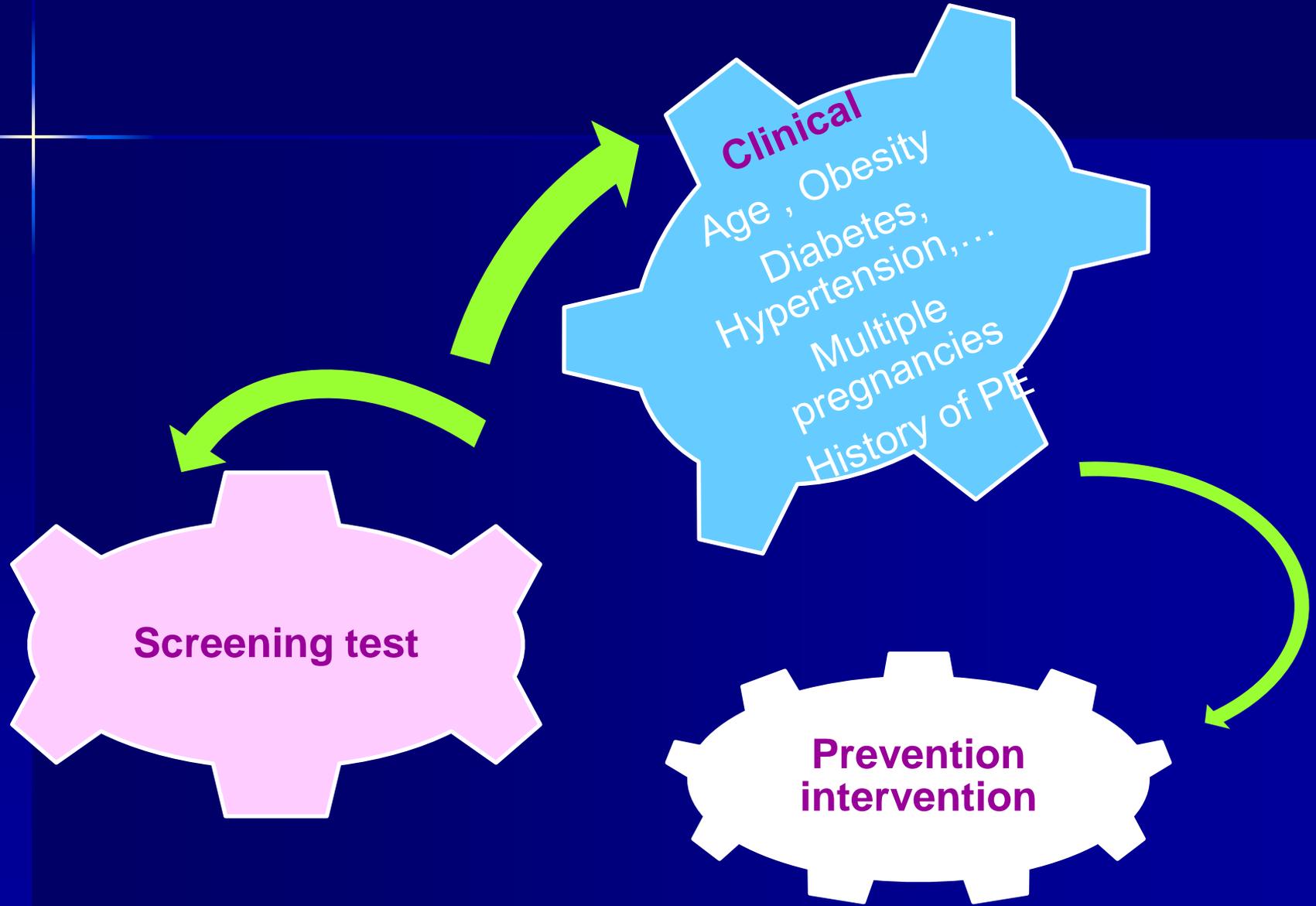
- Regular check-ups
- Intensified monitoring and handle appropriately, timely



## Level 3: Effective treatment – Complication Prevention

- Termination
- Supportive treatment
- Admission to specialised perinatal care hospital safely

# Level 1 prevention



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- Early screening

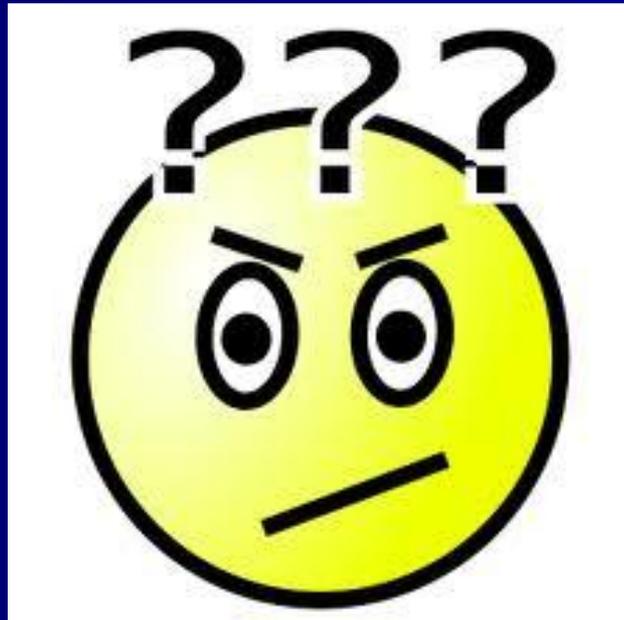
# Level 1 prevention

- WHO recommendation 2012 on level 1 prevention

Low dosage of Aspirine, before 20 gestional week

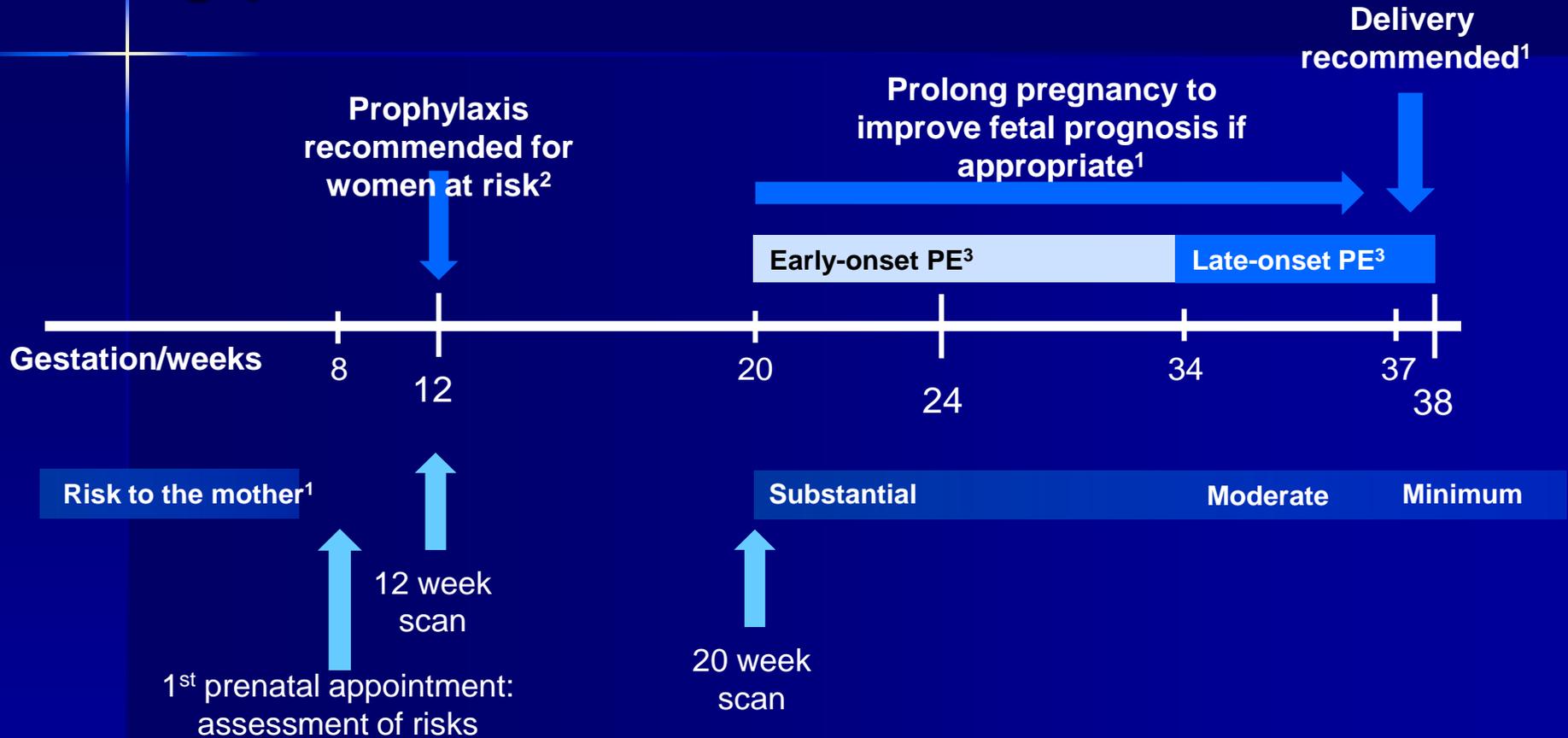
**Level 2 prevention:** Early PE diagnosis, early prediction of severe PE

The diagnosis of mild PE and severe PE may be **WRONG** because the symptoms of mild PE may progress rapidly to severe PE



# Đánh giá lâm sàng trên thai phụ

## Quyết định lâm sàng trong quản lý tiền sản giật

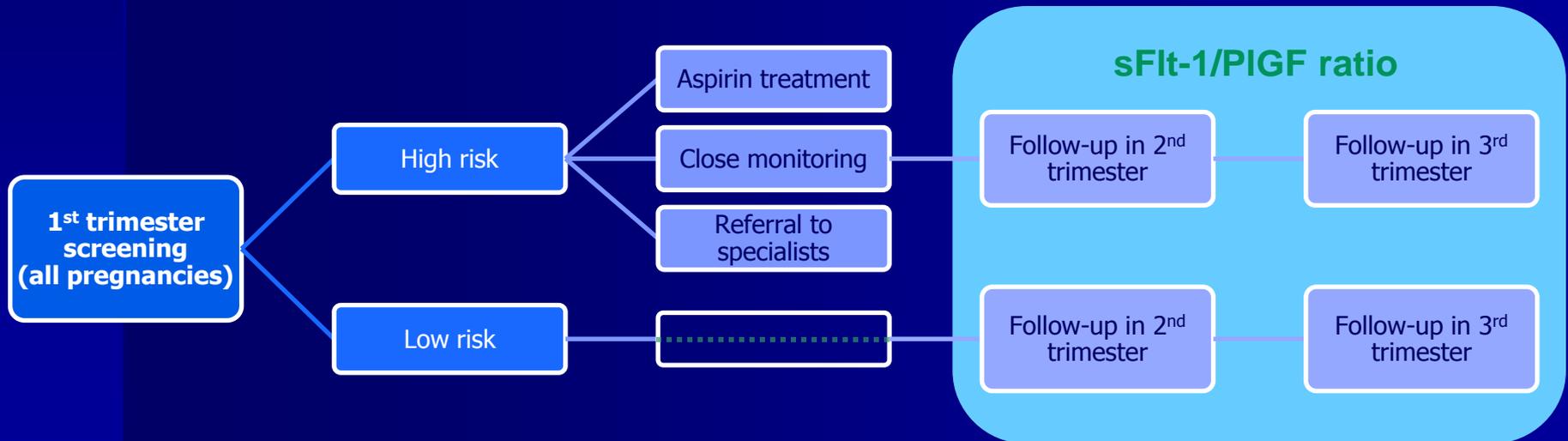


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<sup>2</sup> Hypertension in pregnancy: the management of hypertensive disorders during pregnancy, 2011, NICE guidelines

# Level 1 prevention be an additional testing step for level 2,3 prevention

- Level 1 prevention be an additional testing step for level 2, 3 to identify high risk patients they will receive a closer follow-up or will be referred to a higher level of care
- **Level 2,3 prevention remain useful independently from the level 1 prevention results whenever there is a suspicion of Preeclampsia**



# Improved preeclampsia diagnosis and risk stratification with the Roche sFlt-1/PlGF assay

- Providing health economic benefits for pregnancies

# PE management

*Diagnosis based on non-specific symptoms is insufficient for the correct management of patients with PE*

PE is a **leading cause of maternal and fetal/neonatal morbidity and mortality worldwide**<sup>1</sup>

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**Clinical diagnosis** is based currently on the determination of **blood pressure** and **proteinuria**<sup>1</sup>



- Proteinuria testing is prone to inaccuracies and PE complications can occur prior to the appearance of proteinuria<sup>1</sup>
- Since 2013 guidelines have been updated to support the diagnosis of PE on the basis of hypertension and other symptoms of maternal organ dysfunction (including ACOG<sup>2</sup>, ISSHP<sup>3</sup>)

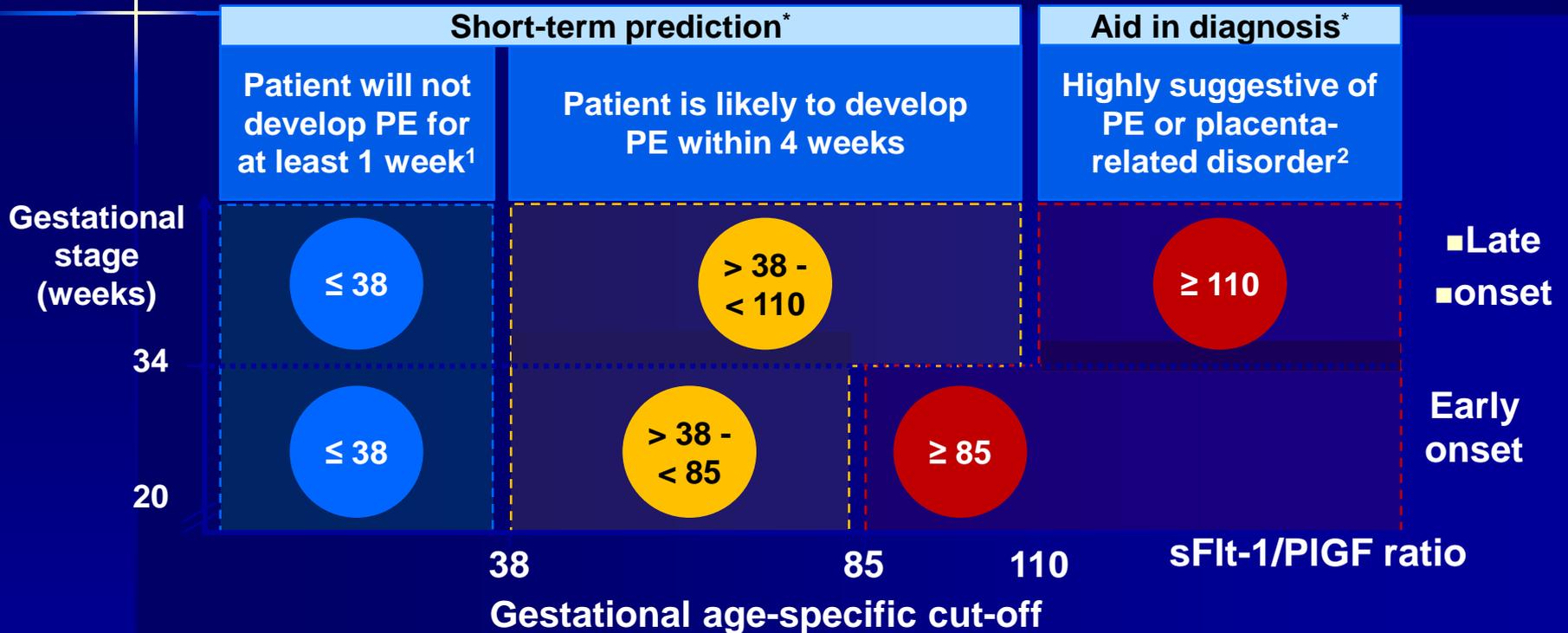
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ISSHP: International society for the study of hypertension in pregnancy; ACOG: American college of obstetricians and gynecologists

# The sFlt-1/PIGF ratio gestational age-specific cut-offs for the short-term prediction and diagnosis of preeclampsia



1. Zeisler, H., et al. (2016). *N Engl J Med* 374(1), 13-22
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# The sFlt-1/PIGF ratio supports the rule-out of PE within 1 week in women with suspected PE

*Allowing cost-savings*

**A cut-off of 38 allows the 'rule-out' of PE within 1 week of start visit:**

- **reassuring patients and the physicians**
- **saving resources and hospitalisation costs**

Short-term prediction of PE / eclampsia / HELLP syndrome  
Rule-out within 1 week  
(Validation cohort, n = 550)<sup>2\*</sup>

<b>cut-off sFlt-1/PIGF</b>	<b>38</b>
<b>NPV (95% CI)</b>	<b>99.3% (97.9 – 99.9)</b>
<b>Sensitivity (95% CI)</b>	<b>80.0% (51.9 - 95.7)</b>
<b>Specificity (95% CI)</b>	<b>78.3% (74.6 - 81.7)</b>

CI: Confidence interval; NPV: Negative predictive value; HELLP: Hemolysis, elevated liver enzymes, low platelets

\* Complete data results (1,050 subjects)

1. Hund, M., et al. (2014). *BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth* 14, 324

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# The sFlt-1/PIGF ratio supports the rule-in of PE within 4 weeks in women suspected of PE

*Allowing timely patient management*

■ A cut-off of 38 allows the 'rule-in' of PE within 4 weeks – enabling focus on the right patients

Short-term prediction of PE / eclampsia / HELLP syndrome  
Rule-in within 4 weeks  
(Validation cohort, n = 550)<sup>1\*</sup>

sFlt-1/PIGF ratio cut-off	38
PPV (95% CI)	36.7% (28.4-45.7)
Sensitivity (95% CI)	66.2% (54.0-77.0)
Specificity (95% CI)	83.1% (79.4–86.3)

CI: Confidence interval; PPV: Positive predictive value;  
\* Complete data results (1,050 subjects)

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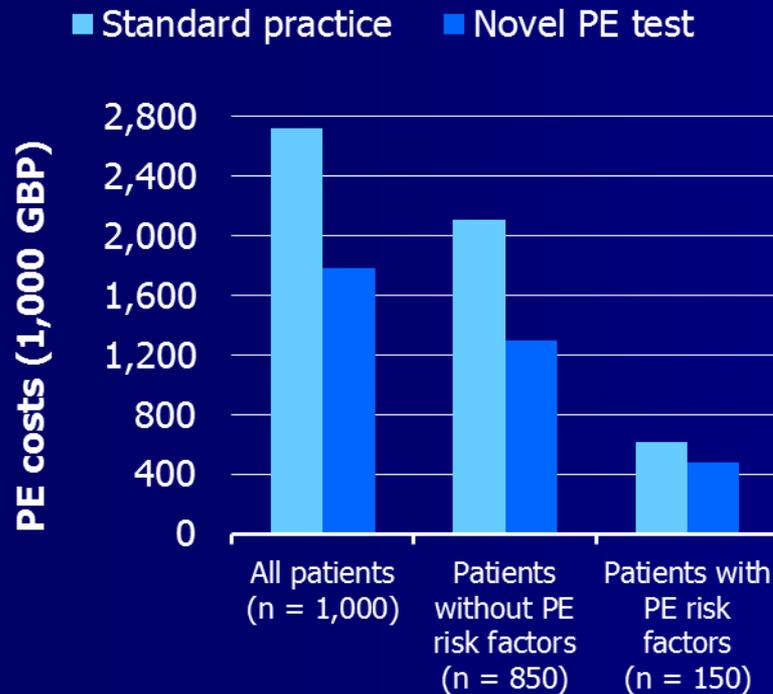
# Early diagnosis of PE might have clinical and health economic benefits

## Methods and standard of care

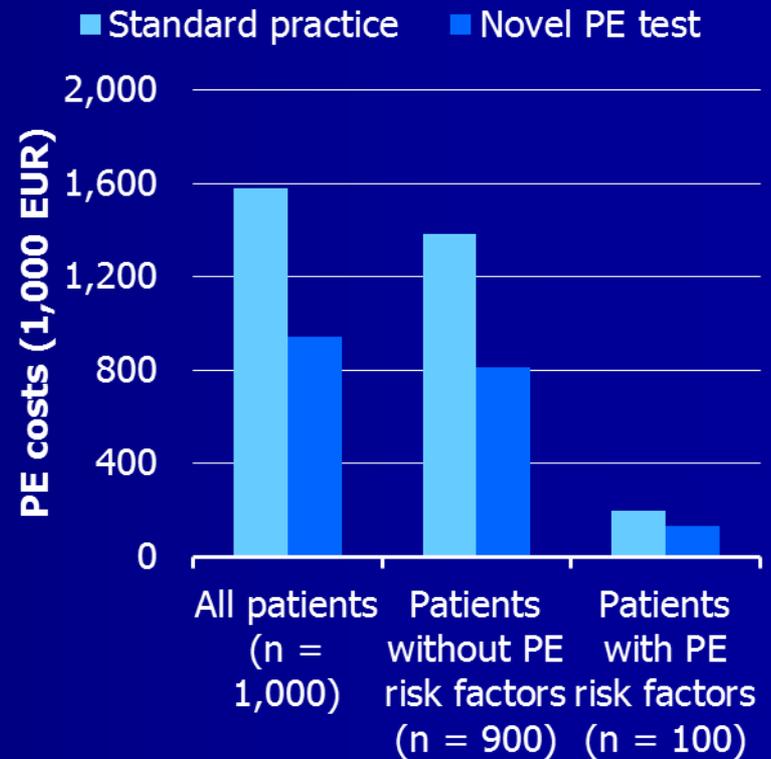
- Budget impact model, a decision-analytic software tool comparing two PE testing paradigm scenarios:
  - UK/German standard practice including blood test, urine tests, blood pressure measures and uterine artery Doppler ultrasound
  - UK/German standard practice + measures of PIGF, sFlt-1 (Elecsys® platform) from week 20
- Both the NICE and DGGG guidelines require that physicians stratify patients as high risk for PE when the patient's pregnancy is confirmed and health status assessed
- Patients at high risk of PE are more frequently controlled until PE can be diagnosed starting from week 20

# By using the novel PE test in the UK, the NHS could save GBP 730 million annually and in Germany, national savings could reach EUR 436 million annually

Budget impact of novel PE test in the UK



Budget impact of novel PE test in Germany



# Economic assessment of the sFlt-1/PlGF ratio in preeclampsia

A UK NHS payer perspective

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## The sflt-1/plgf ratio test in pre-eclampsia: an economic assessment for the UK

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# Level 3 prevention

- Severe PE treatment to prevent effectively maternal and fetal complications

# When termination??



# Clinical study

- **The value of the ratio sFlt-1 / PlGF in prediction pregnant outcome of early –onset preeclampsia in 28-32 gestational week**

Principle investigator: Diem Tuyet Hoang

Quang Thanh Le

Study site: Tudu hospital

# Trial design

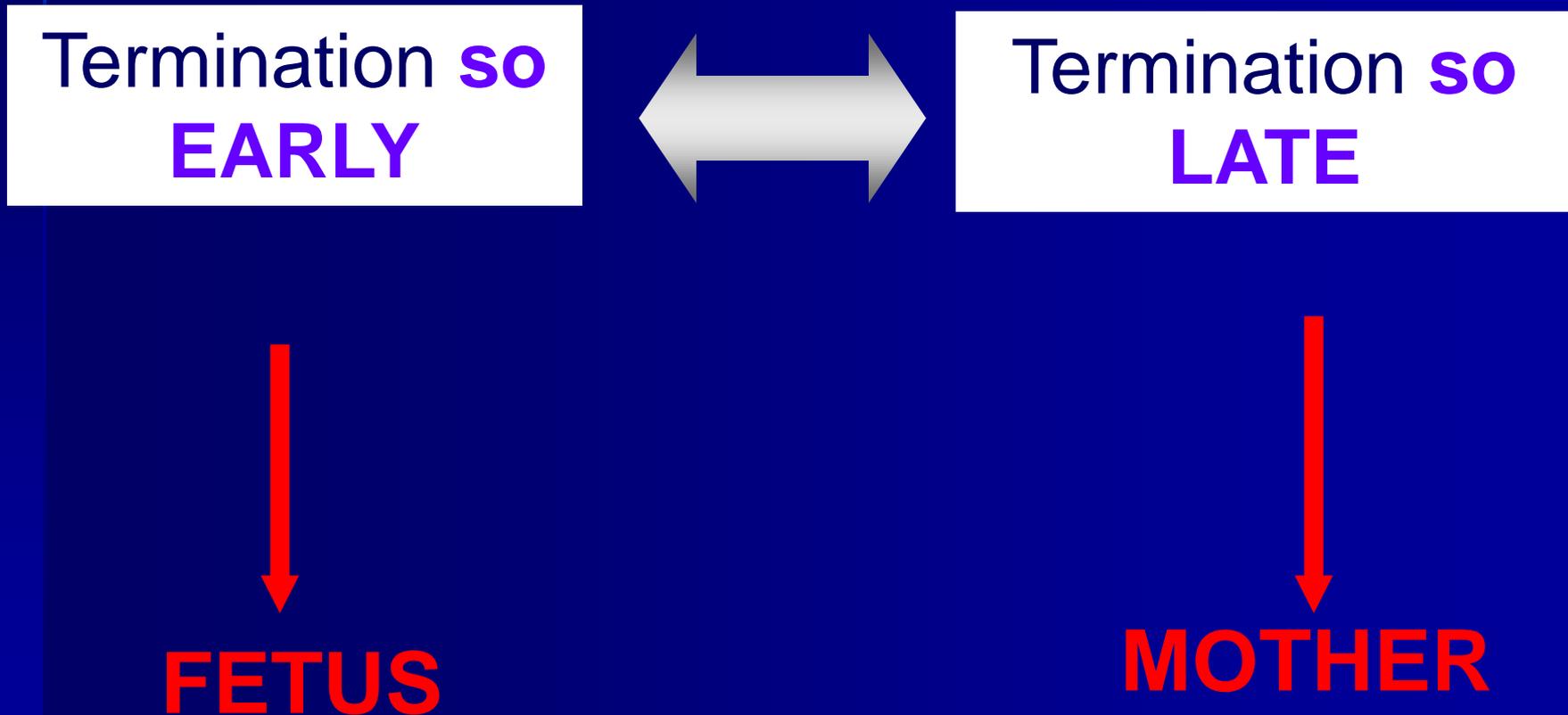
- Prospective cohort study
- Sample size: 342
- Gestation age : 28-32 week

# Conclusion

- In women with PE presenting at <32 weeks, circulating sFlt-1/PIGF ratio predicts adverse outcomes occurring within 1-7 weeks. The accuracy of this test is substantially better than that of current approaches and may be useful in risk stratification and management.
- Pregnancy can prolong within 1.2 weeks in women group with sFlt-1/PIGF ratio  $\geq 85$
- Pregnancy can prolong 7.48 weeks in women group with sFlt-1/PIGF ratio  $< 85$

# PE – E treatment

Termination is the best way



	Mother	Fetus
<p><b>Immediately intervention</b> (within 72 hours) <i>One of these symptoms</i></p>	<p>Uncontrolled hypertension Eclampsia Platelets &lt;100,000 AST, ALT &gt; 2 times higher + epigastric pain, Lower right flank, Acute Pulmonary edema renal failure Headache, , visual disturbances Placental abruption</p>	<p>Late downturn Biophysical profile &lt;4, two occasions <math>\geq 4</math> hour apart Amniotic fluid index &lt;2 Impaired fetal growth &lt;5th gestational weight Reversed diastolic wave of the umbilical artery</p>
<p><b>Monitoring</b> <i>One of these symptoms</i></p>	<p>controlled hypertension Oliguria be solved merely by infusion AST, ALT increase 2 times higher than normal but no epigastric pain, Lower right flank</p>	<p>Biophysical profile &gt; 6 Amniotic fluid index &gt;2 Impaired fetal growth &gt;5th gestational weight</p>

# Summary

- PE is obstetric complication
- Main cause of maternal and perinatal mortality
- Morethan 50% of PE mortality can be prevented
- Preventing and predicting PE well help to reduce maternal and perinatal mortality in Vietnam

Thank you

