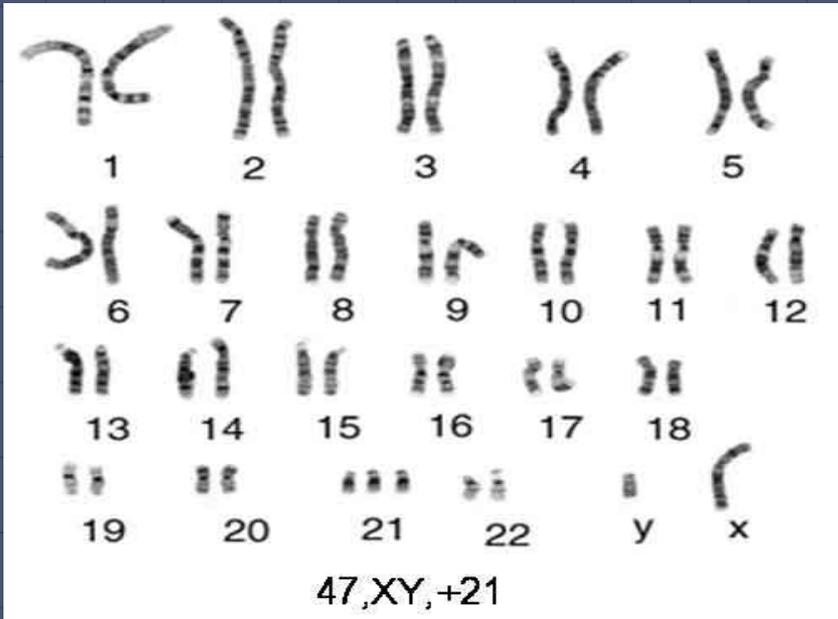
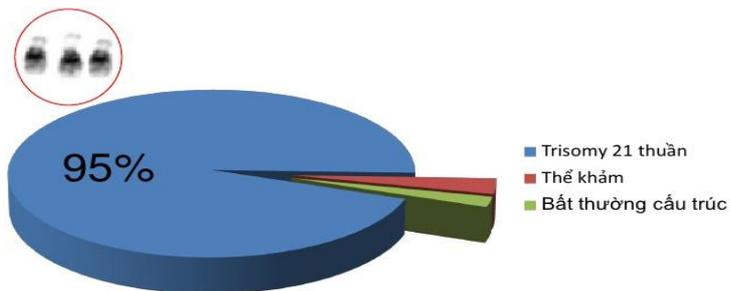


**EVALUATION ON THE PRENATAL  
SCREENING RESULTS DETECT DOWN  
SYNDROME FROM CELL FREE FETAL DNA  
IN THE MATERNAL PLASMA**

# DOWN SYNDROME



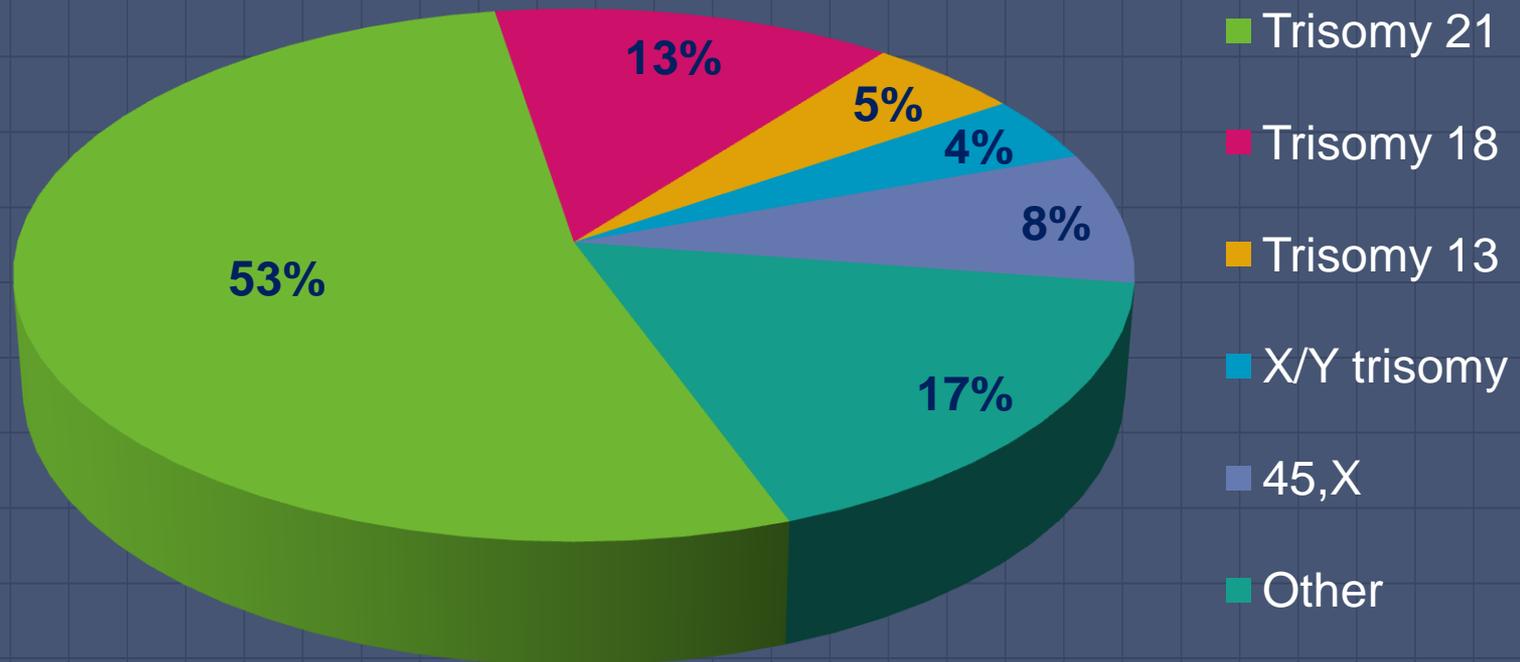
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- The most common cause of prenatal chromosome abnormalities
- Frequency: 1:700

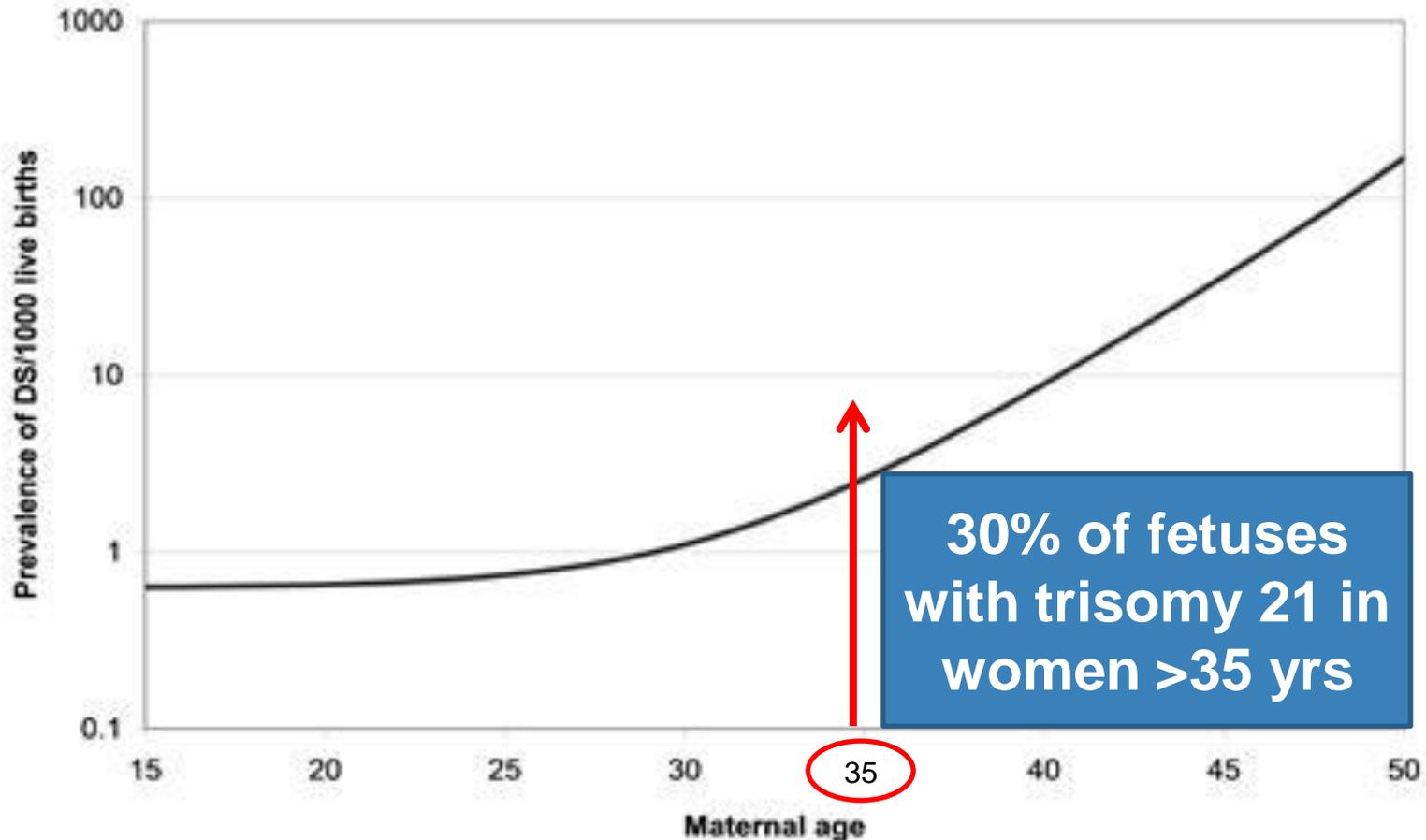
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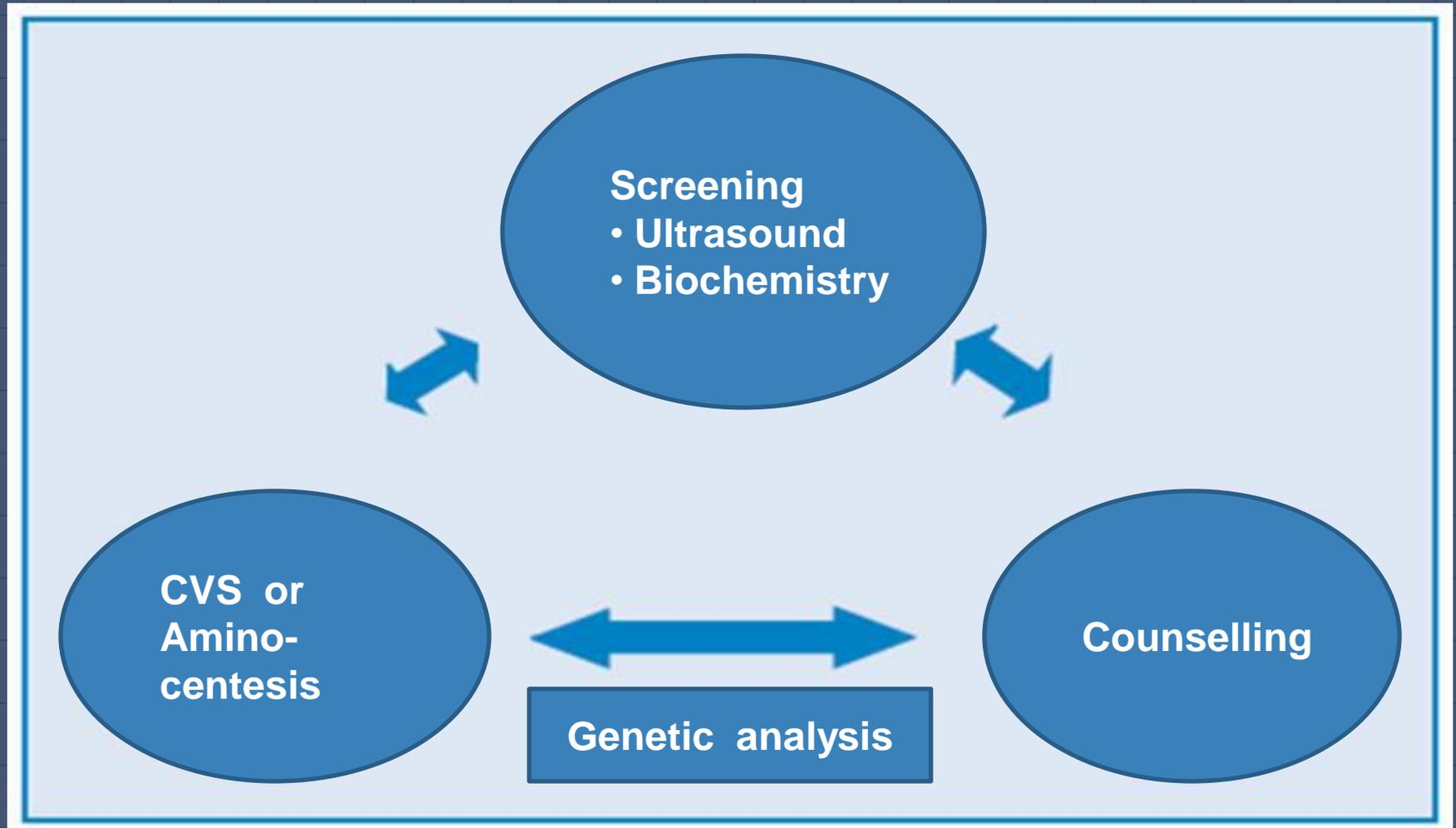


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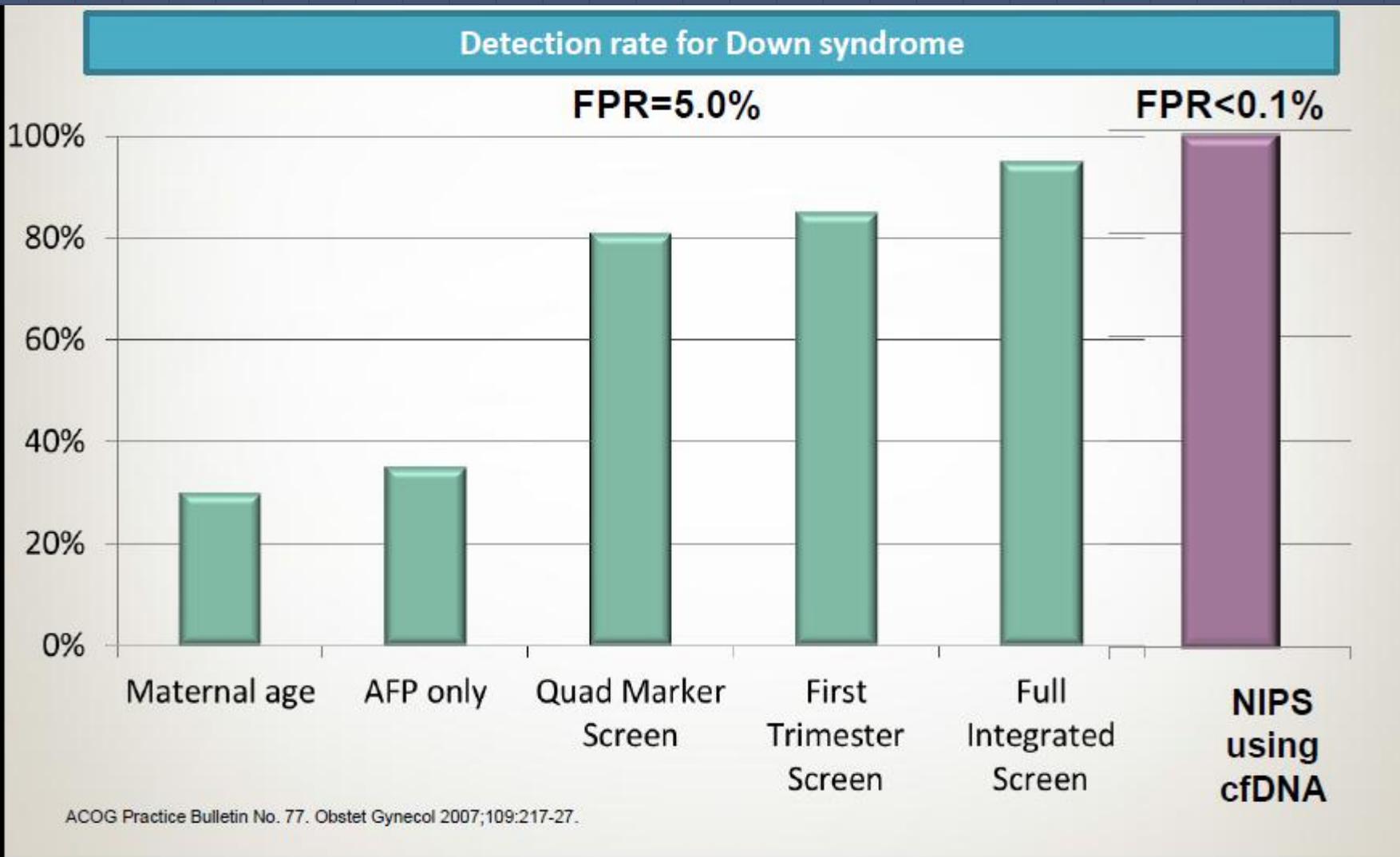
# RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN MATERNAL AGE AND THE PREVALENCE OF DOWN SYNDROME



# PRENATAL SCREENING FOR COMMON ANEUPLOIDIES: CURRENT PRACTICE



# DETECTION RATE AND FPR BY CURRENT SCREENING PRACTICE FOR TRISOMY 21



# THE RISK OF FETAL LOSS ASSOCIATED WITH CVS/AC

## Original Paper

### The risk of fetal loss associated with invasive testing following combined first trimester risk screening for Down syndrome – a national cohort of 147 987 singleton pregnancies

Camilla Bernt Wulff<sup>1,2</sup>, Thomas Alexander Gerds<sup>3</sup>, Line Rode<sup>1,4</sup>, Charlotte Kvist Ekelund<sup>1</sup>, Olav Bjørn Petersen<sup>5</sup>, Ann Tabor<sup>1,2</sup> and the Danish Fetal Medicine Study Group

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**Average rate of miscarriage: 0,86% (0,55% miscarriage & 0,31% stillbirth)**



*Wulff CB et al. Risk of fetal loss associated with invasive testing following combined first-trimester screening for Down syndrome: a national cohort of 147,987 singleton pregnancies. Ultrasound Obstet Gynecol. 2016 Jan;47(1):38-44. doi: 10.1002/uog.15820*

## Abstract

### Objectives

To prospectively assess the risk of fetal loss associated with chorion villus sampling (CVS) and amniocentesis (AC) following combined first trimester screening (cFTS).

### Methods

A nationwide population-based study (Danish Fetal Medicine Database, 2008-2010) included 147987 singleton pregnant women who received cFTS. Propensity score stratification was used to assess the risk of fetal loss with and without invasive test.

Analyses were performed from 3 to 21 days after cFTS for CVS and from 28 to 42 days after cFTS for AC. Results were reported as average risk differences with 95% confidence limits.

### Results

The risk of miscarriage and stillbirth was not higher in women exposed to CVS or AC compared with unexposed women independent of the analysis time point. The average effect of CVS on risk of miscarriage was -0.08% (95% CI: -0.64; 0.47) for 3 days and -0.21% (-0.58; 0.15) for 21 days, while the effect on risk of stillbirth was -0.18% (-0.50; 0.13) for 3 days and -0.27% (-0.58; 0.04) for 21 days after cFTS, respectively.

The analysis 28 days after cFTS showed a non-significant average effect of AC on risk of miscarriage of 0.56% (-0.21; 1.33), while the effect of AC on risk of stillbirth was 0.09% (-0.39; 0.58) for 42 days after cFTS.

### Conclusion

CVS or AC was not associated with increased risks of miscarriage and stillbirth. The findings of this study support that the procedure-related risk of CVS and AC is very low and correlates with the indication for the procedure.

# NEXT GENERATION SEQUENCING

**Sequencing of 1 – 43 billions short DNA reads (Massive Parallel Sequencing)**

**Aneuploidy Detection and Single-gene genetic disorders**

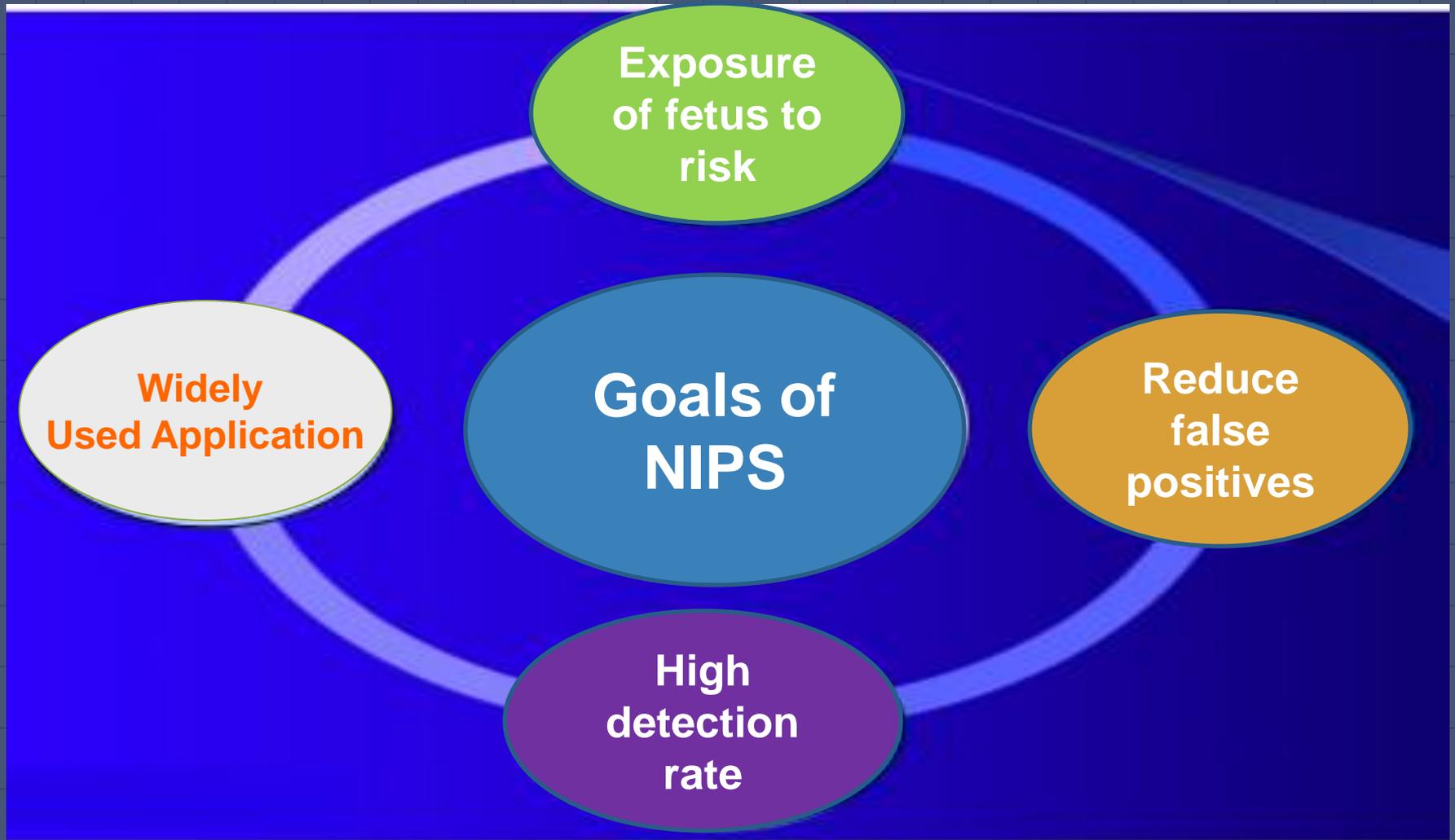
**2011: Introduction of NIPS**

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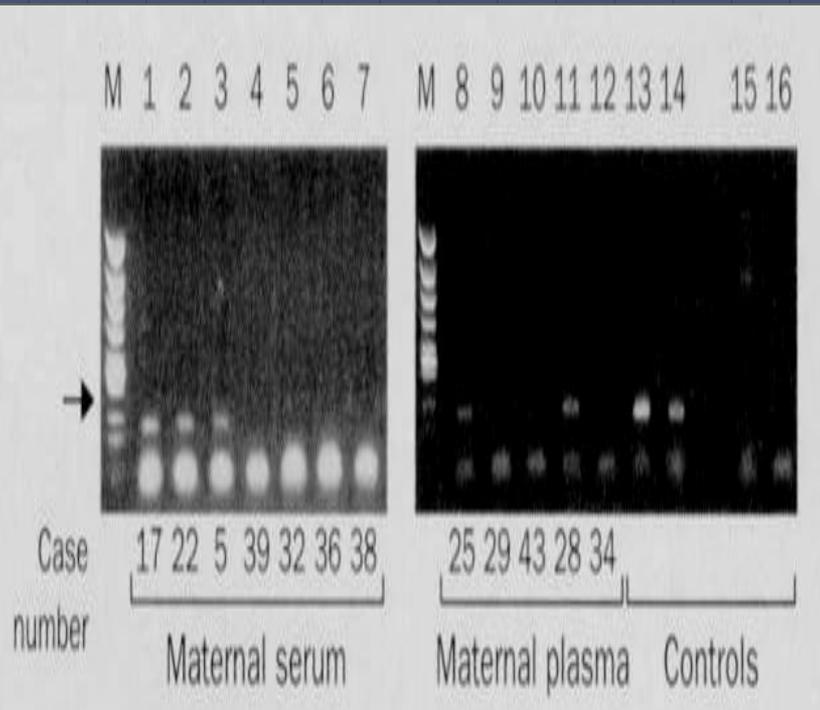
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# NONINVASIVE PRENATAL SCREENING (NIPS)

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# NIPS: FETAL CELL FREE DNA (cffDNA)



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**Les acides nucléiques du plasma sanguin chez l'homme.**

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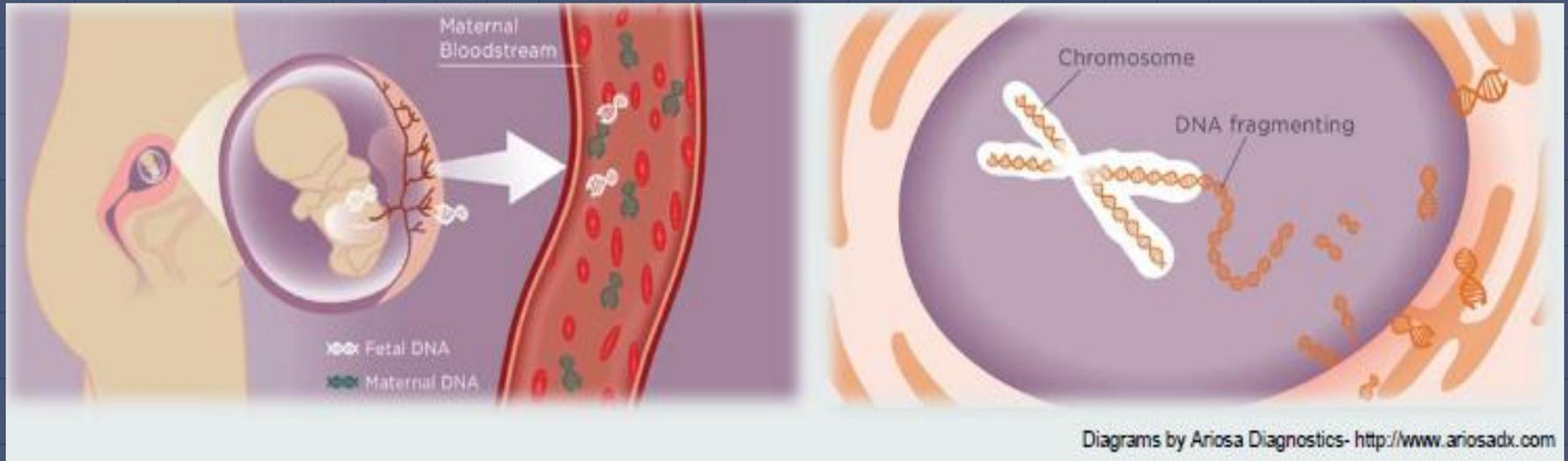
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# FETAL CELL FREE DNA



**Originates from cells of the trophoblast (placenta)**

**Released into bloodstream as small DNA fragments (150-200 bp)**

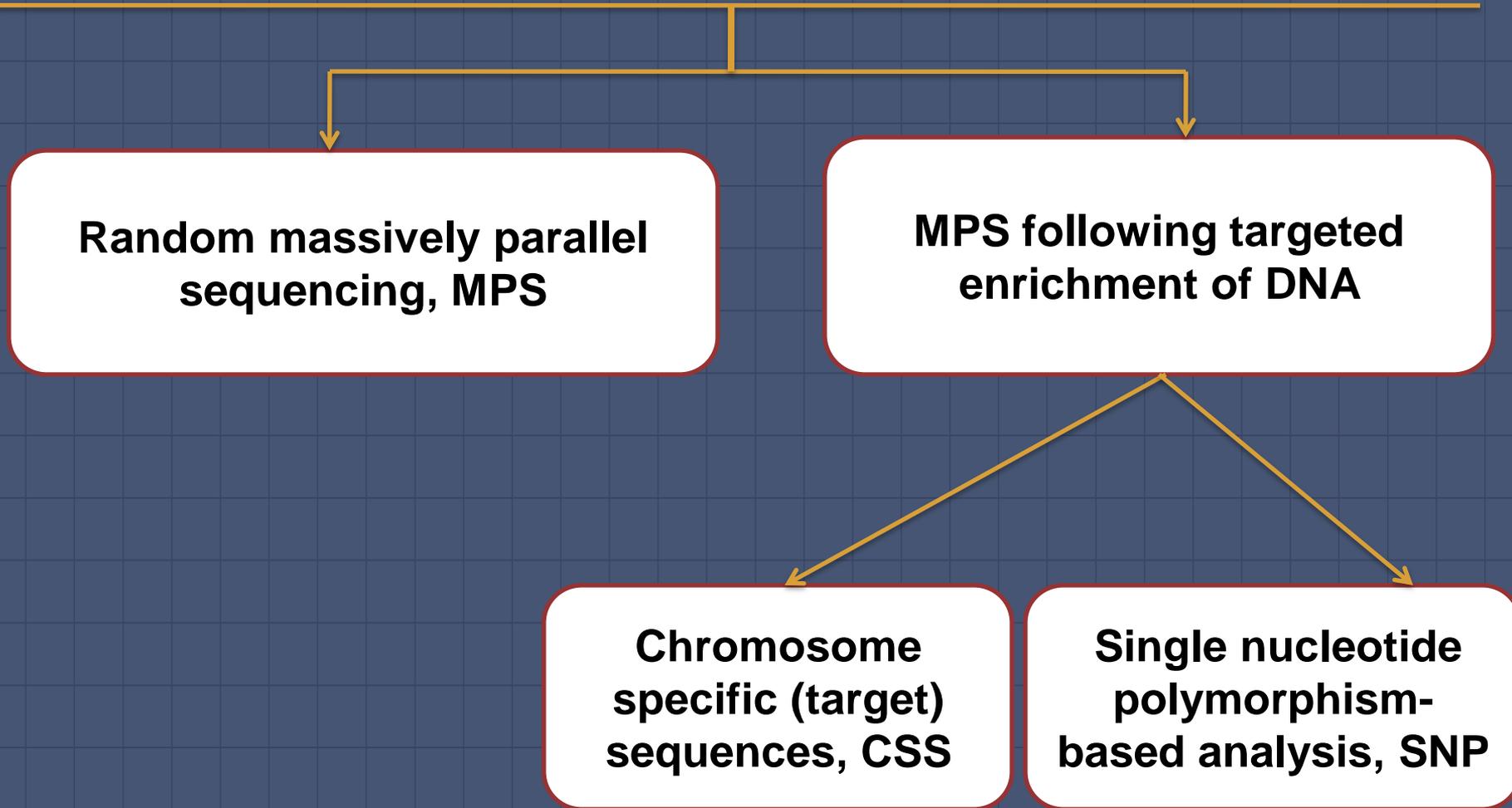
**3-13% of total cell free DNA in maternal plasma**

**Reliably detected >9-10 weeks gestation**

**Short half life (16.3 min), undetectable by 2 hrs postpartum**

*(Ehrich et al, AJOG 2011)*

# NIPS METHODS



# DNA SEQUENCING USING CELL FREE DNA

MATERNAL BLOOD SAMPLE



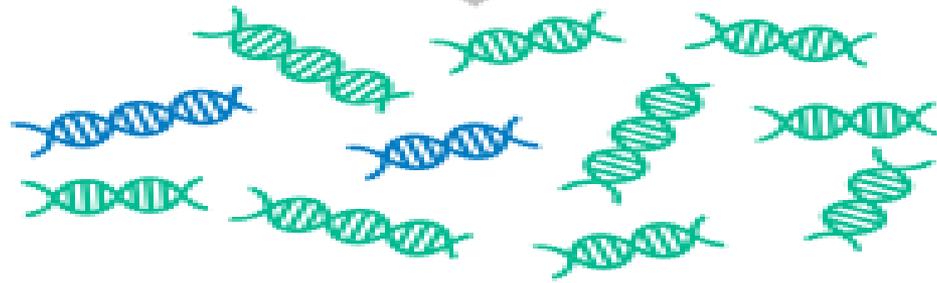
MATERNAL AND FETAL CELL-FREE DNA



CELL-FREE DNA SEQUENCED VIA MASSIVELY PARALLEL SEQUENCING (MPS)



ALIGNMENT AND COUNTING



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AACGTACGTAAAAACGGGGTCAAAGGTTCCC  
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Chromosome 21  
No Aneuploidy

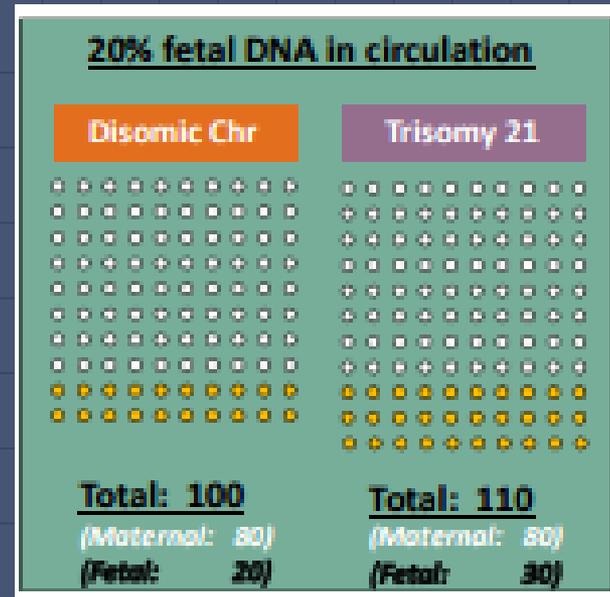
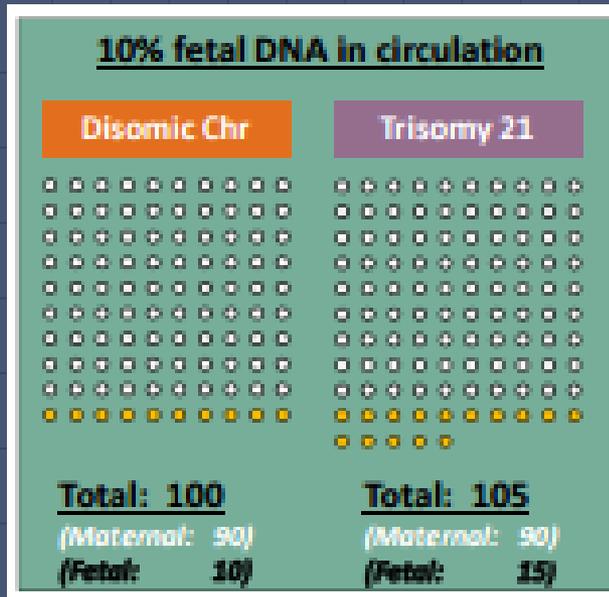


Chromosome 21  
Aneuploidy

# IMPORTANCE OF cffDNA

Trisomy detection via cffDNA depends on fraction of DNA that is fetal

The higher the fetal fraction, the easier it is to detect trisomy



# EVALUATION OF NIPS (37 studies, n=21.608)

Aneuploidy	n	DR (%)	FPR (%)
Trisomy 21	1.051	99,2	0,09
Trisomy 18	389	96,3	0,13
Trisomy 13	139	91	0,13
Monosomy X	177	90,3	0,23
Other	56	93	0,14
Trisomy 21 (twin pregnancies)		93,7	0,23

Reduced risk

# ACOG Committee Opinion on NIPT



- *“Cell free fetal DNA appears to be the most effective screening test for aneuploidy in high risk women... is one option that can be used as a primary screening test in women at increased risk of aneuploidy”*
- *“[NIPT] should be an informed patient choice after pretest counseling”*
- *“[NIPT] should not be offered to low-risk women or women with multiple gestations”*
- *“A patient with a positive test result should be referred for genetic counseling and should be offered invasive prenatal diagnosis for confirmation of test results.”*

**Also supporting NIPT for high risk pregnancies:**



# OBJECTIVES

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**Evaluation of NIPS: Down Syndrome Detection  
using NGS and cfDNA in maternal plasma**

# SUBJECTS

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## Sample collection and recruitment criteria

Singleton  $\geq 10$  weeks with at least one criteria:

- ❖ Maternal age  $\geq 35$ .
- ❖ High risk biochemical screening  $>1/250$ .
- ❖ Abnormal ultrasound.
- ❖ Previous affected pregnancies: Aneuploidy, miscarriages, still births,...
- ❖ Pregnant women agreeing to participate

# SUBJECTS

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## Not included:

- ❖ < 10 weeks pregnancies, multiple pregnancy
- ❖ Pregnant women gone through transplant or stem cell treatment
- ❖ Pregnant women gone through blood transfusion less than 30 days
- ❖ Pregnancy from egg donor, cancer
- ❖ Pregnant women with chromosomal abnormality

# METHODS

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**Study design:** Prospective Study

**Patients and samples:** 463 samples

**Facilities:**

- Department of Biochemistry, Hanoi Medical University
- Center of Prenatal Diagnosis, Hanoi Hospital O & G

**Timeline :** 5/2016 – 3/2017

**Data analysis:** SPSS 16.0, statistical analysis,...

# MATERIALS

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## **Sample:**

10ml whole blood collected in Streck tube

## **Equipments :**

Reagent and instruments provided at center screening, prenatal diagnosis and newborn, HN O&G hospital

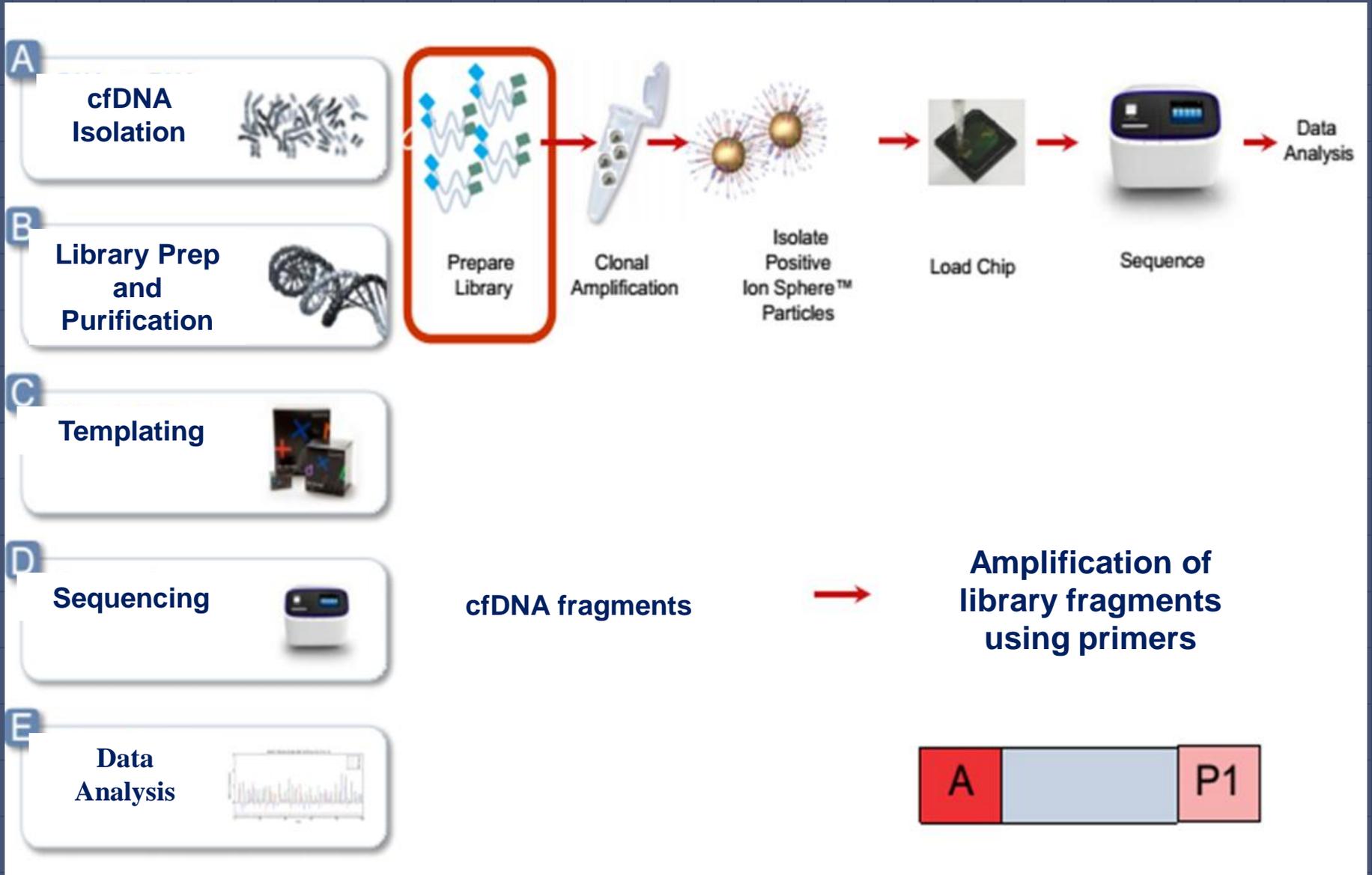
## **Chemicals:**

cfDNA Extraction: PerkinElmer

Library Preparations and Templation: ThermoFisher

Sequencing: PI chip on Ion Proton - ThermoFisher

# METHODS



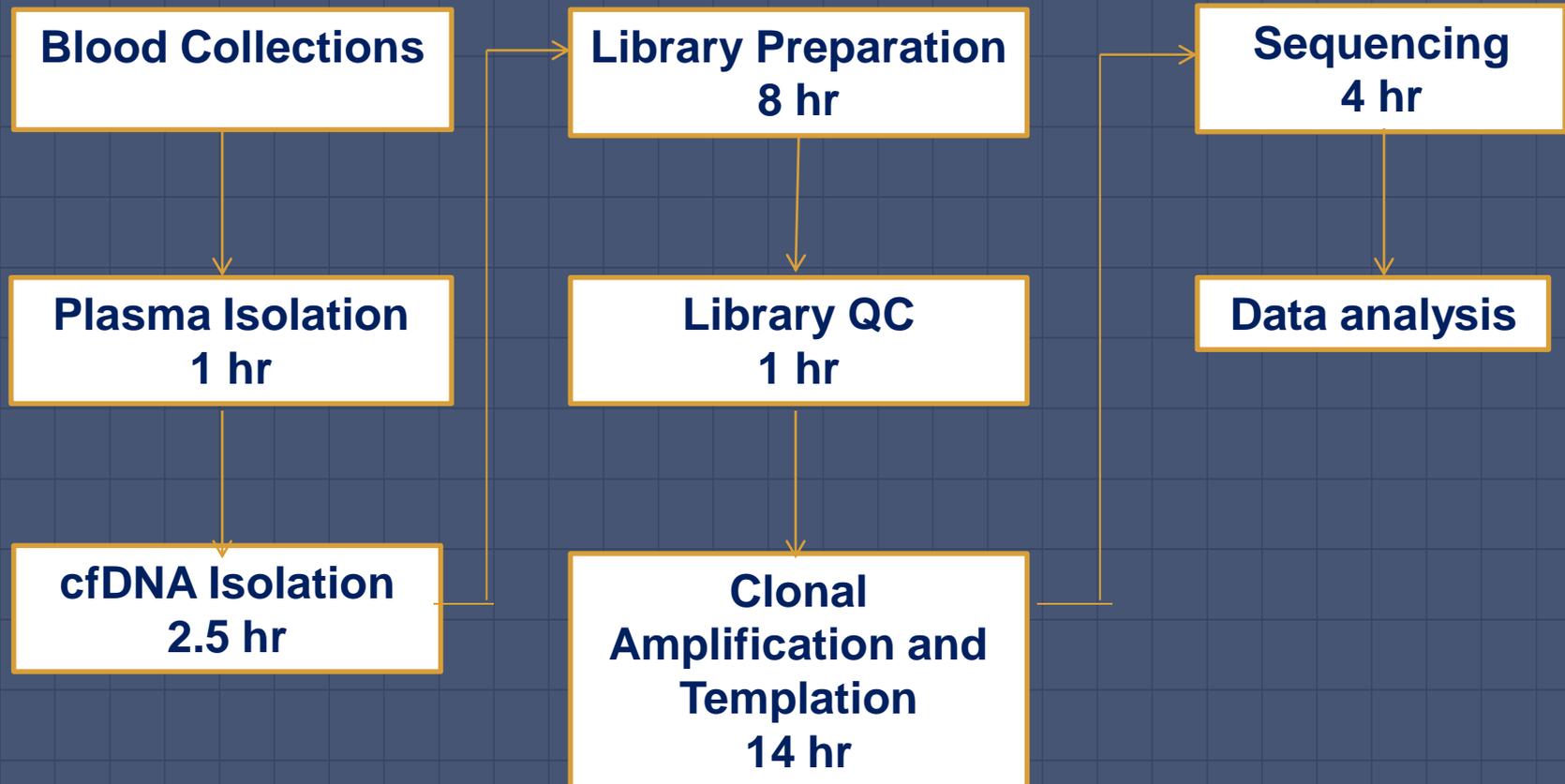
# NGS METHOD - TIMELINE

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Day 1

Day 2

Day 3



# **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

# 1. SUBJECTS

Maternal Age	Quantity	
	n	%
18-24	20	4.32
25-29	102	22.03
30-34	113	24.41
35-39	165	35.64
≥ 40	63	13.6
Total	463	100
X ±SD	33.6 ± 5.4	
Range	19 - 46	

*Shan Dan, Wei Wang, et al (2012). Clinical application of massively parallel sequencing-based prenatal noninvasive fetal trisomy test for trisomies 21 and 18 in 11105 pregnancies with mixed risk factors. Prenatal Diagnosis,*

# 1. SUBJECTS

Gestation	Quantity		%cffDNA ±SD
	n	%	
10 – 13 weeks 6 days	142	30.7	7.04±0.02
14 – 20 weeks 6 days	295	63.7	7.13±0.03
≥ 21 weeks	26	5.6	9.53±0.03
Total	463	100	
X ±SD	16±3.6		



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## 2. cffDNA

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cffDNA	Quantity	
	n	%
< 3.5%	19	4.1
> 3.5%	444	95.9
Total	463	100.0

- **Gil MM, Quezada MS, Revello R, Akolekar R, Nicolaides KH (2015).** Analysis of cell-free DNA in maternal blood in screening for fetal aneuploidies: updated meta-analysis. *Ultrasound Obstet Gynecol*
- **Saskia Tamminga, Merel van Maarle, et al (2016).** Maternal Plasma DNA and RNA Sequencing for Prenatal Testing. *Advances in Clinical Chemistry*

# 3. DOWN SYNDROME DETECTION

No	Maternal Age	Gestational Age	T21 Assessment	z-score	Sex	NIPS	Karyotype
1	27	17w	TT: 1/38	6.18	Male	T21	47,XY,+21
2	43	20w	TM	9.16	Male	T21	47,XY,+21
3	25	13w3d	CB: 1/13	4.87	Female	T21	47,XX,+21
4	40	16w4d	TT: 1/50	6.8	Female	T21	47,XX,+21
5	41	18w5d	CB: 1/151	10.02	Female	T21	47,XX,+21
6	34	16w	CB: 1/9; NT:3.2	16.06	Male	T21	47,XY,+21
7	36	17w3d	TM	8.97	Male	T21	47,XY,+21
8	41	10w6d	TM	4.61	Female	T21	Abortion

*TM: Maternal age; TT: triple test; CB: Combined test; NT: Nuchal translucency ; T21: Trisomy 21 high risk*

### 3. DOWN SYNDROME DETECTION

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Risk	Quantity	
	n	%
High risk	8	1,73
Low risk	455	98,27
Total	463	100

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# SUMMARY

**Down Syndrome  
Detection using NGS  
and cfDNA in maternal  
plasma**

**Increased Detection Rate**

**Decreased FPR**

**Decreased miscarriages**

**98.27% reduction of invasive procedures (CVS or  
amniocentesis)**

***Invasive testing to confirm high-risk NIPS results***



***THANK YOU***