

ART children – short and long term follow up



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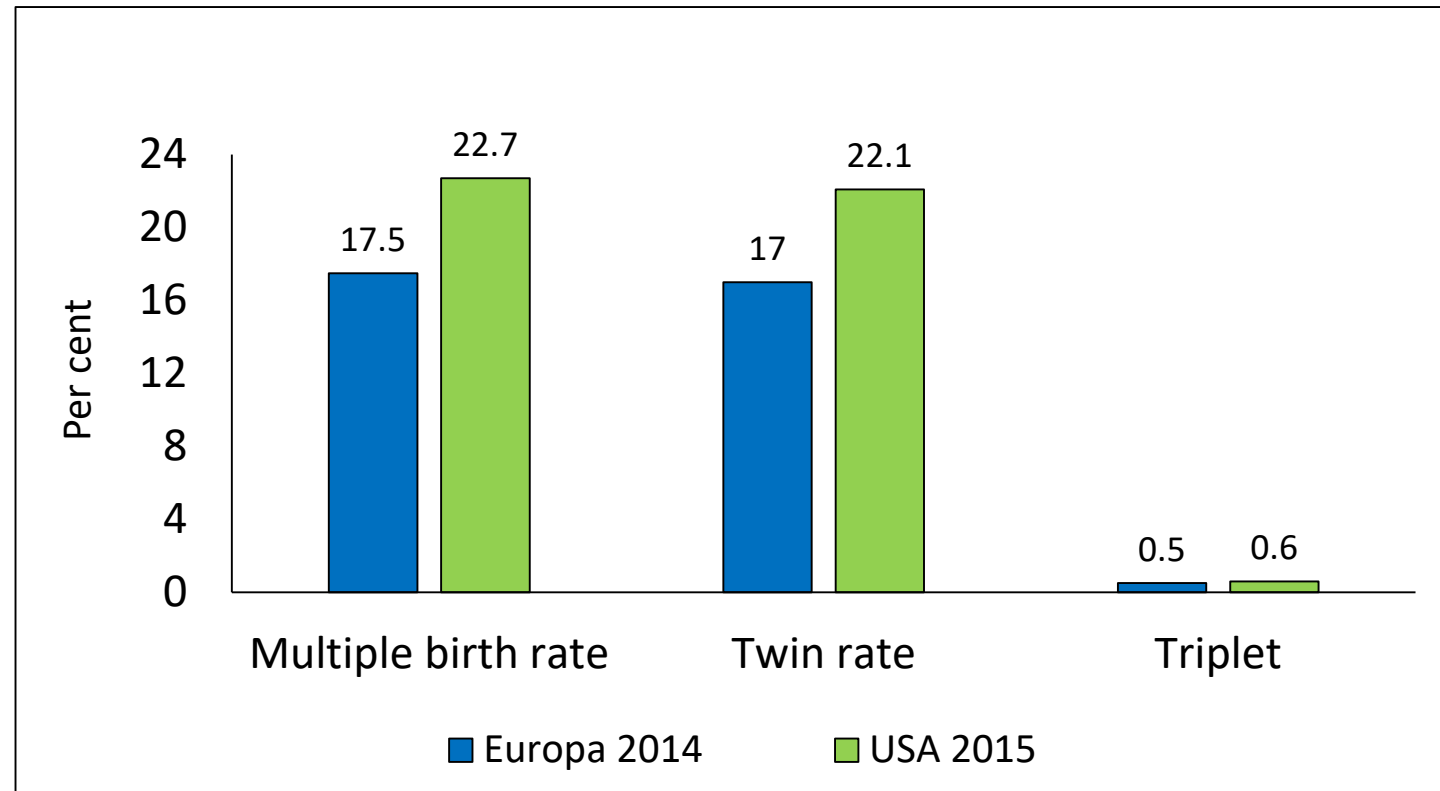
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Background



- >7 milj ART children born in the world
(de Geyter, ICMART/ESHRE 2018, Barcelona)
- Up to 6.4 % of national cohorts in Europa 2014
(ESHRE /EIM data, de Geyter et al, Hum Reprod, 2018)
- >70 000 children born in Sweden
(www.qivf.se)

Multiple birth after IVF in Europe and USA



*De Geyter 2018
CDC, 2017*

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Singletons: ART vs spontaneous conception

Systematic reviews and meta-analyses

AOR or RR, 95% CI	Helmerhorst 2004	Jackson 2004	McGovern 2004	McDonald 2009	Pandey 2012	Qin 2017
No of studies, no of children	12* 5361	14* 12 114	27 14 748	15* 31 032	22** 27 819	52 181 741
<37 w	2.0 (1.8-2.3)	2.0 (1.7-2.2)	2.0 (1.8-2.2)	1.8 (1.5-2.2)	1.5 (1.5-1.6)	1.7
<32 w	3.3 (2.0-5.3)	3.1 (2.0-4.8)	2.5 (0.9-7.2)	2.3 (1.7-3.0)	1.7 (1.5-1.9)	2.0
<2500 g	1.7 (1.5-1.9)	1.8 (1.4-2.2)	-	1.6 (1.3-2.0)	1.6 (1.6-1.8)	1.5
<1500 g	3.0 (2.1-4.4)	2.7 (2.3-3.1)	-	2.6 (1.8-3.8)	1.9 (1.7-2.2)	2.0
SGA	1.4 (1.2-2.7)	1.6 (1.3-2.0)	-	1.4 (1.0-2.0)	1.4 (1.3-1.5)	1.2

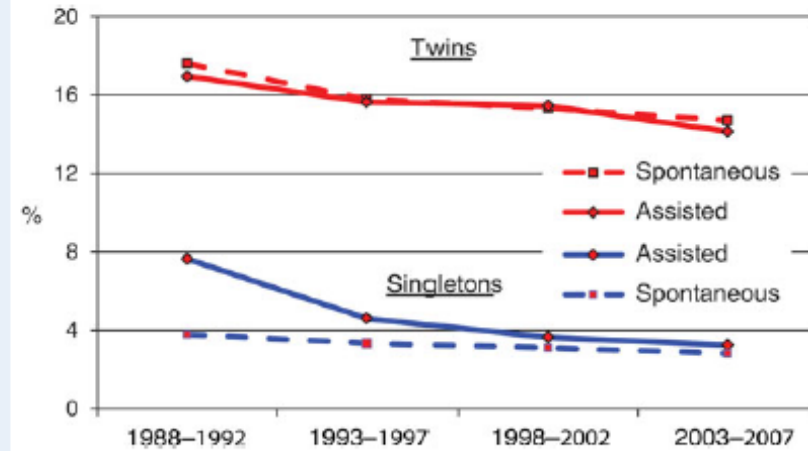
*Cohort studies, matched or adjusted for at least maternal age

Trends in perinatal health after assisted reproduction: a Nordic study from the CoNARTaS group

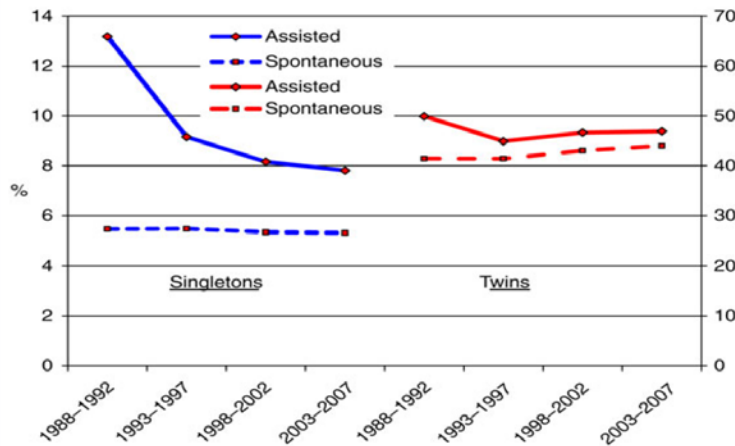
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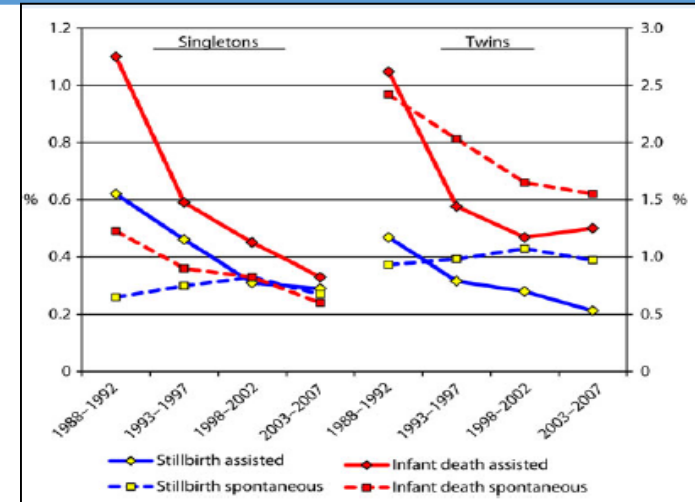
ART singleton and twins: SGA



ART singleton and twins : <37 weeks



ART singleton and twins: IUFD and death <1year



Is frozen embryo transfer better for mothers and babies? Can cumulative meta-analysis provide a definitive answer?

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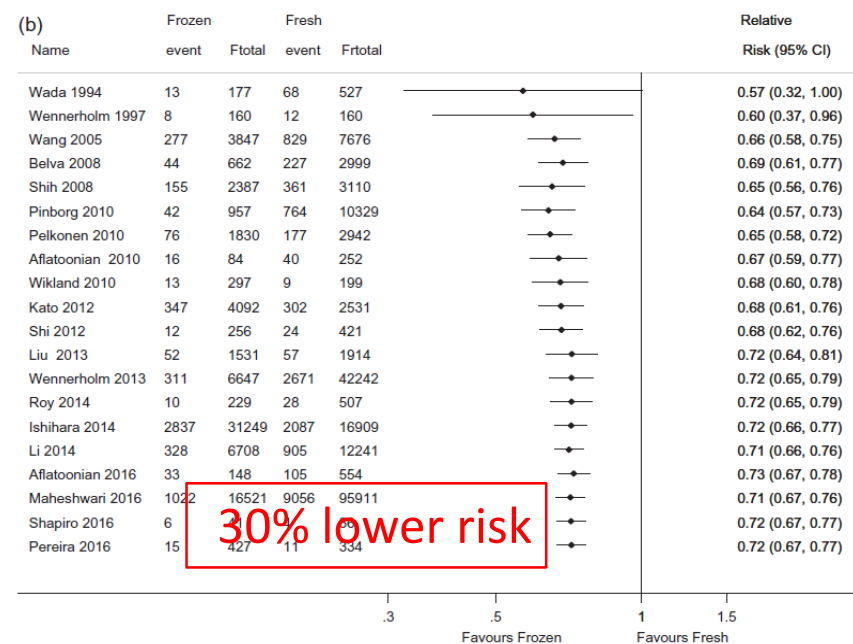


Figure 3 Low birth weight (less than 2500g): (a) meta-analysis and (b) cumulative meta-analysis.

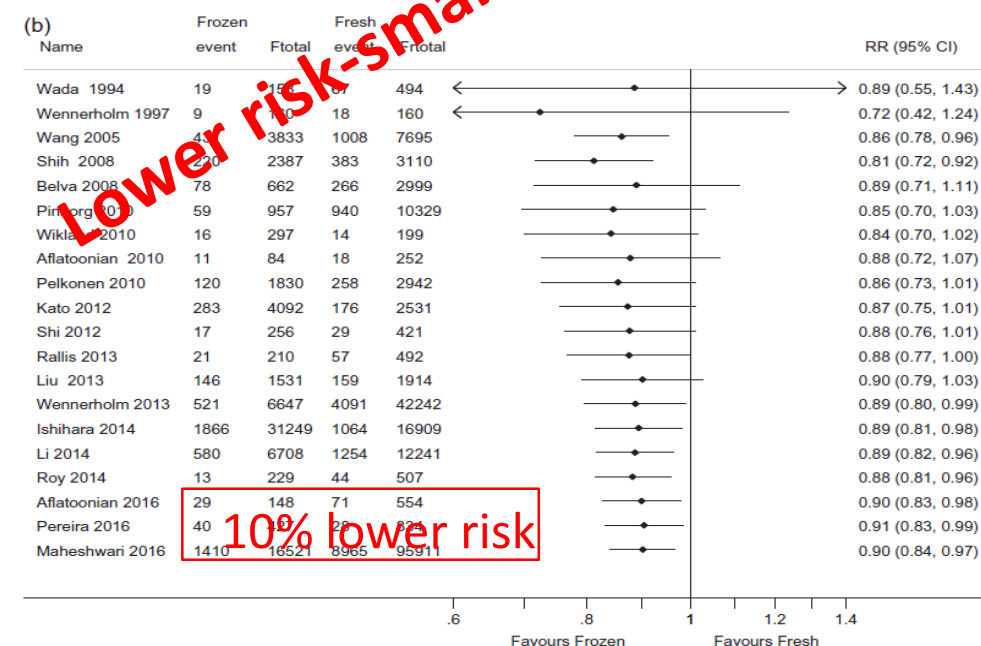


Figure 8 Preterm delivery (at less than 37 weeks): (a) meta-analysis and (b) cumulative meta-analysis.

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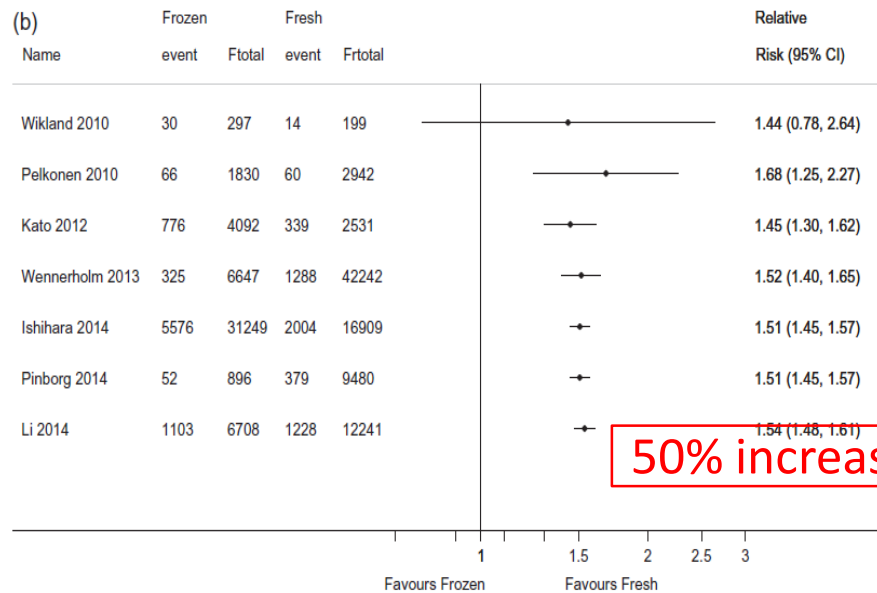


Figure 5 Large for gestational age: (a) meta-analysis and (b) cumulative meta-analysis.

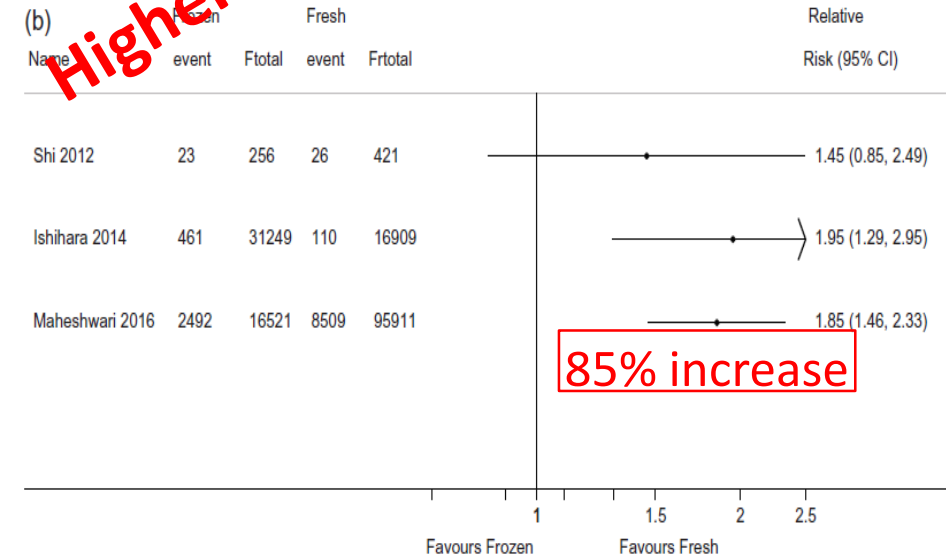


Figure 6 High birth weight (more than 4000g): (a) meta-analysis and (b) cumulative meta-analysis.

Birth defects

Singletons: ART vs spontaneous conception

Systematic reviews och meta-analyses

	Rimm 2004	Hansen 2005*	McDonald 2005	Pandey 2012*	Hansen 2013*	Qin 2016	Zhao 2019
No of studies and ART children	IVF: 82 064 ICSI: 63 948	15 13 059	7 4 031	7 4 382	23 48 944	28 77697	46 112 913
Birth defects AOR or RR (95% CI)	IVF: 1.5 (0.8-2.7) ICSI: 1.3 (0.9-2.0)	1.3 (1.2-1.5)	1.4 (1.1-1.9)	1.7 (1.3-2.1)	1.4 (1.3-1.4)	1.4 (1.3-1.5)	1.4 (1.3-1.5)

*Cohort studies, matched or adjusted

ART 30-70% increased risk

Trends over time in congenital malformations in live-born children conceived after assisted reproductive technology

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	ART N=61 281	SC N=350 811	AOR*	95% CI
Percent of children with serious birth defects**	3.4%	2.9%	1.2	1.1-1.2
Heart	0.63%	0.50%	1.3	1.1-1.4
Gastro-intestinal	0.28%	0.22%	1.3	1.1-1.5
Urogenital	0.24%	0.17%	1.4	1.2-1.7

*Adjusted for maternal age, parity, year of birth, country and gender

** Defined after Eurocat

Henningesen et al, 2018

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Table 2. Risk of any major malformation in different time periods according to mode of conception and plurality.

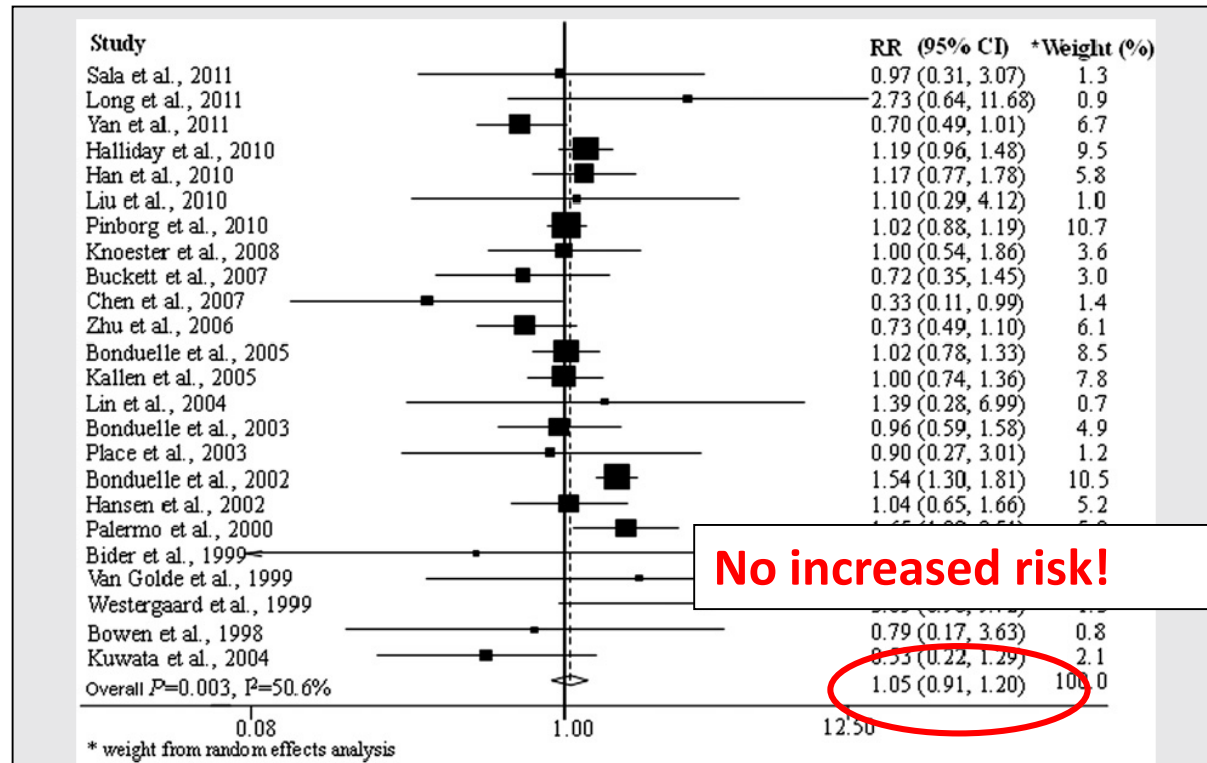
Any major congenital malformation						
1988-1992				1993-1997		
	ART, n(%)	SC, n(%)	aOR ^a [95%CI]	ART, n(%)	SC, n(%)	aOR ^a [95%CI]
Singletons	49 (2.22)	272 (1.69)	1.36 [0.96-1.91]	234 (2.22)	1340 (1.97)	1.04 [0.89-1.22]
Twins	32 (2.28)	406 (1.85)	1.19 [0.80-1.78]	236 (3.58)	1144 (3.67)	0.87 [0.74-1.02]
All	81 (2.25)	678 (1.79)	1.16 [0.90-1.50]	470 (2.75)	2484 (2.50)	1.02 [0.91-1.14]
1998-2002				2003-2007		
	ART, n(%)	SC, n(%)	aOR ^a [95%CI]	ART, n(%)	SC, n(%)	aOR ^a [95%CI]
Singletons	697 (3.57)	3734 (3.15)	1.13 [1.03-1.23]	1119 (3.87)	4858 (3.29)	1.16 [1.08-1.24]
Twins	634 (5.59)	1634 (4.95)	1.02 [0.91-1.14]	625 (6.53)	2288 (6.29)	0.91 [0.82-1.01]
All	1331 (4.31)	5368 (3.54)	1.17 [1.10-1.26]	1744 (4.53)	7146 (3.89)	1.12 [1.05-1.18]

^aAdjusted for parity (0 versus ≥1), year of birth, maternal age, child's sex and country.

ART, assisted reproductive technology; SC, spontaneous conception; aOR, adjusted odds ratio; CI, confidence interval.

No trend over time!

Birth defects: ICSI compared to IVF



24 studies, N=27 754 ICSI, N=46 890 IVF

Wen et al., Fertil Steril 2012

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Longterm follow up

- Growth
- Cognitive and psychomotor development
- Mental disorders
- Autism
- School performances
- Cancer
- Cardiovascular risks
- Diabetes mellitus
- Puberty development



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Systematic review

Childhood growth of singletons conceived following in vitro fertilisation or intracytoplasmic sperm injection: a systematic review and meta-analysis

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20 studies, 13 in meta-analysis

Max follow up-22 years

ART: 3972 children

SC: 11 012 children

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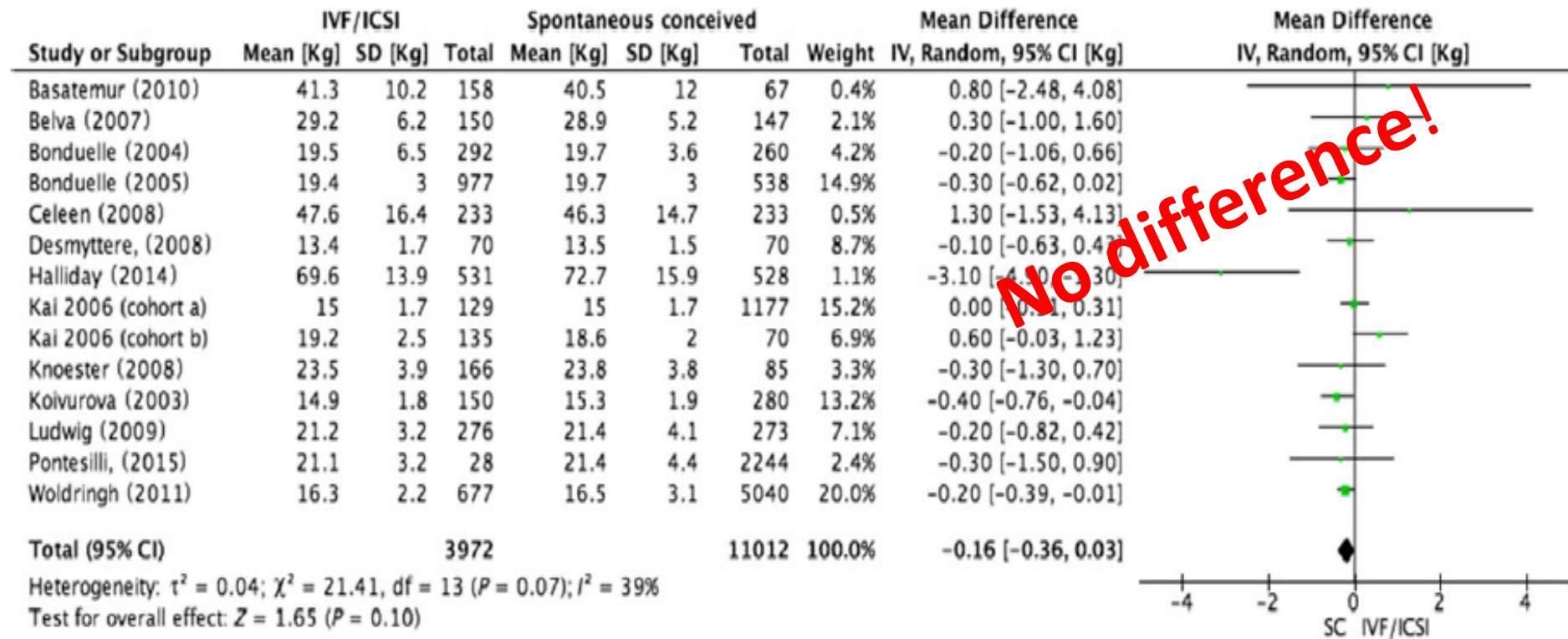


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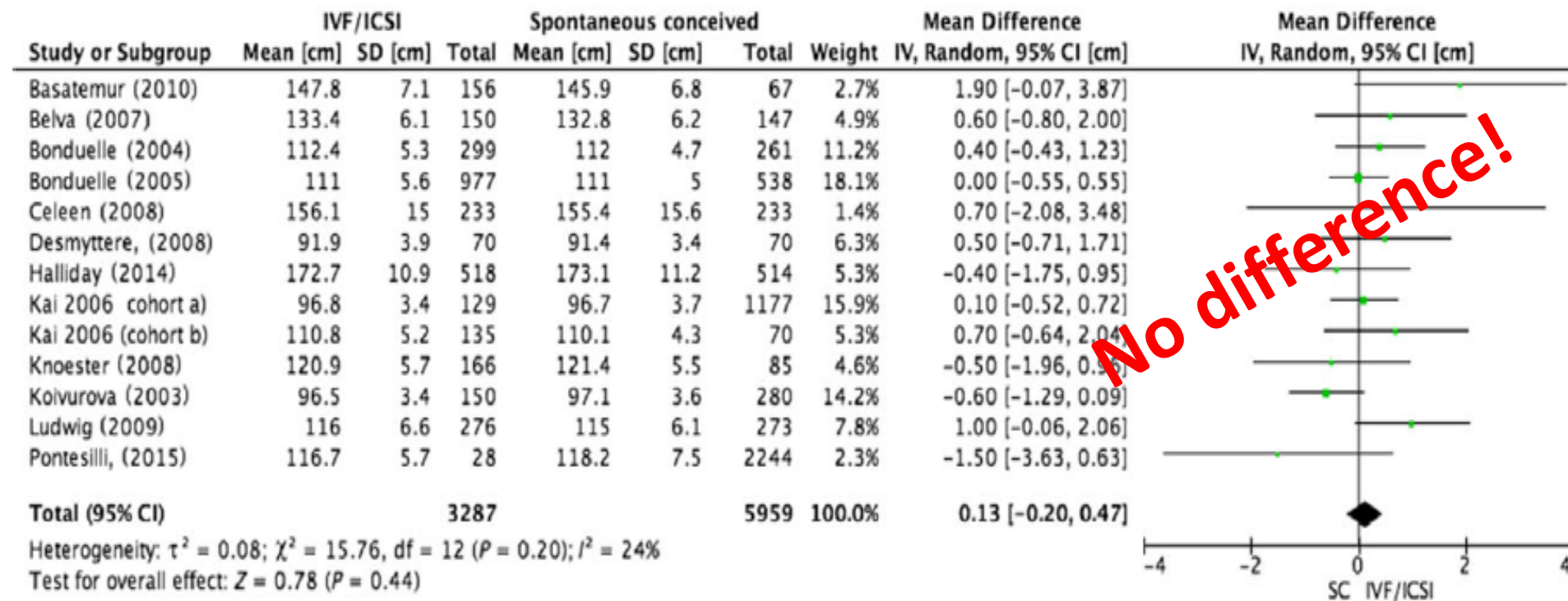


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Cognitive and psychomotor development

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Neuromotor, cognitive, language and behavioural outcome in children born following IVF or ICSI—a systematic review

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Assisted reproduction and child neurodevelopmental outcomes: a systematic review

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The longer-term health outcomes for children born as a result of IVF treatment. Part II—Mental health and development outcomes

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The impact of specific fertility treatments on cognitive development in childhood and adolescence: a systematic review

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Age ≥4 years, 35 studies

Conflicting results

IVF vs spontaneous conception

ICSI vs spontaneous conception and vs IVF

- disappeared after adjustment for multiples
- only observed in subgroups

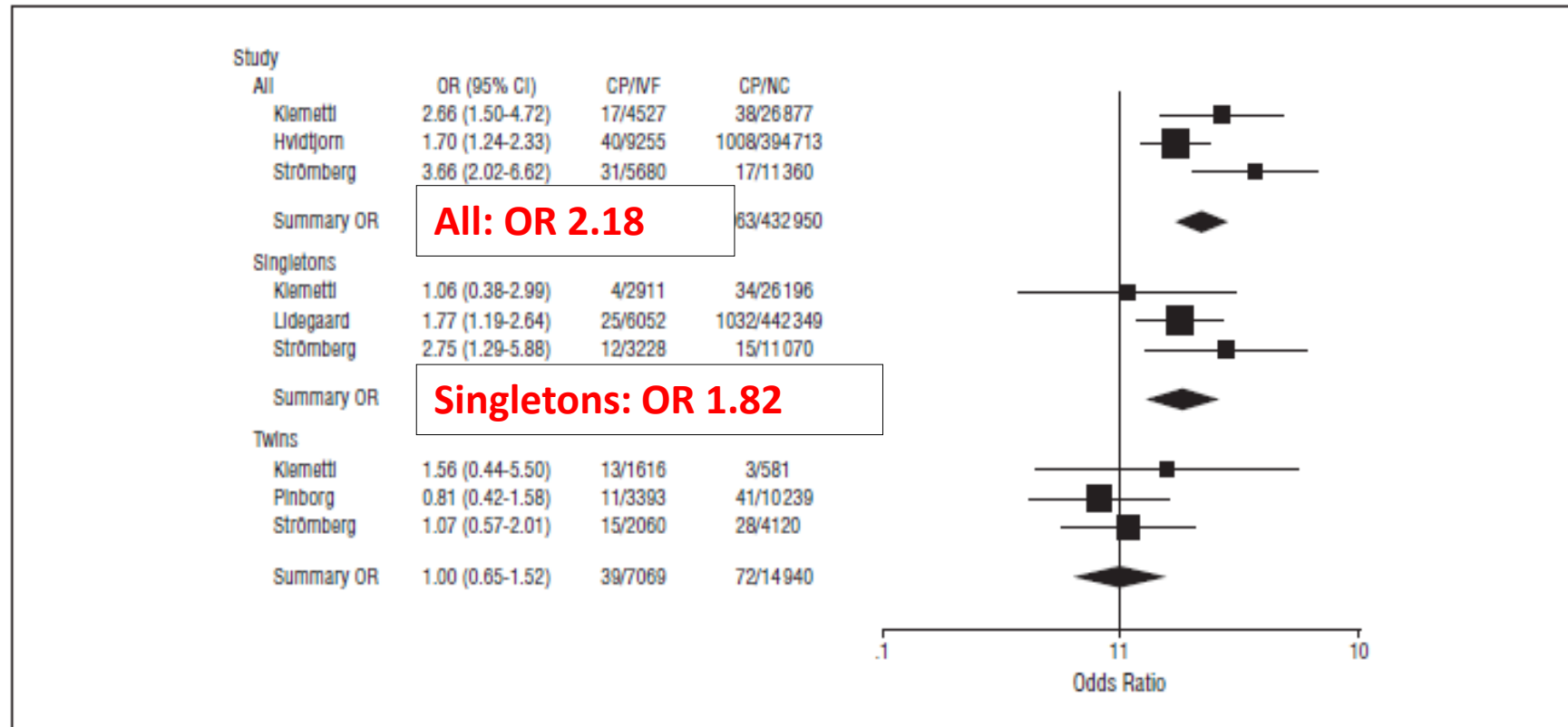
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ART and neurological impairment

Cerebral Palsy



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Cerebral palsy

In vitro fertilization in Sweden: child morbidity including cancer risk

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Crude OR: 1.89 (1.37-2.60)

Adjusted OR: 1.14 (0.72-1.81)

N=16 000 ART

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE Reproductive epidemiology

Multiplicity and early gestational age contribute to an increased risk of cerebral palsy from assisted conception: a population-based cohort study

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Crude OR: 2.34 (1.81-3.01)

Adjusted OR: 1.07 (0.78-1.47)

(adjusted for multiplicity and gestational age)

N=33 000 ART

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Cerebral palsy after assisted reproductive technology: a cohort study

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Table II: Birth prevalence and odds of cerebral palsy (CP) by conception type

	ART CP/ART (birth prevalence proportion per 1000 live births)	Naturally conceived CP/naturally conceived (birth prevalence proportion per 1000 live births)	ART compared with naturally conceived crude OR (95% CI)	ART compared with naturally conceived adjusted* OR (95% CI)
Whole group	21/2914 (7.2/1000 LB)	514/208 746 (2.5/1000 LB)	2.9 (1.9–4.6)	2.6 (1.6–4.0)
Singletons GA	10/1927 (5.2/1000 LB)	468/203 352 (2.3/1000 LB)	2.3 (1.2–4.2)	2.0 (1.1–3.9)
<32wks	6/47 (127.7/1000 LB)	81/1561 (51.9/1000 LB)	2.7 (1.1–6.5)	2.7 (1.0–6.9)
32–36wks	1/209 (4.8/1000 LB)	61/11 032 (5.5/1000 LB)	0.9 (0.1–6.3)	0.9 (0.1–6.8)
≥37wks	3/1671 (1.8/1000 LB)	326/190 748 (1.7/1000 LB)	1.1 (0.3–3.3)	1.0 (0.3–3.1)



Risk of autism spectrum disorders in children born after assisted conception: a population-based follow-up study

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Research

Original Investigation

Autism and Mental Retardation Among Offspring Born After In Vitro Fertilization

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IVF/ICSI: 30 959, SC: 2 541 125, 1982-2007

Follow up at 1.5-10 years. ICD 9, 10 diagnoses in Patient Registry

	per 100 000 person year		RR (95% CI)
Autism	19.0	15.6	1.14 (0.94-1.39)
Singleton	14.4	15.0	0.89 (0.68-1.17)
Mental retardation	46.3	39.8	1.18 (1.01-1.36)
Singleton	38.8	38.5	1.01 (0.83-1.24)

Association of assisted reproductive technology (ART) treatment and parental infertility diagnosis with autism in ART-conceived children

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1997-2006,
N=42 383 ART children, up to 5 years

Autism in ART Singleton: 0.8%
ICSI: adjusted HR 1.65 (1.08-2.56) (IVF as ref)

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No increase for IVF/ICSI!

Hazard rates and 95% CIs for mental disorders^{*†} in children aged 0–17 years according to type of infertility treatment, hormones, gametes and aetiology of infertility compared with spontaneously conceived children

	No of exposed	Any psychiatric diagnosis (n=23,278)	Mental retardation (n=3371)	Disorders of psychological development (n=11,794)	Behaviour and emotional disorders (n=16,432)	Other/unspecified psychiatry disorders (n=682)
Procedure[‡]						
OI/IUI	18,148	1.20 (1.11 to 1.31)	1.02 (0.81 to 1.28)	1.17 (1.05 to 1.31)	1.22 (1.11 to 1.34)	1.16 (0.72 to 1.87)
IVF	9532	1.01 (0.90 to 1.15)	0.88 (0.63 to 1.24)	0.98 (0.83 to 1.15)	1.06 (0.91 to 1.23)	1.14 (0.56 to 2.29)
ICSI	4201	1.08 (0.90 to 1.31)	0.81 (0.47 to 1.42)	1.17 (0.92 to 1.49)	1.10 (0.87 to 1.38)	0.33 (0.05 to 2.45)

*As defined by ICD-10 (applicable in study period); [†]adjusted for maternal age, parity, education al level, smoking in pregnancy, maternal psychiatric history, birth year, child's sex and multiplicity; [‡]specific type of treatment missing in 117 children in IVF/ICSI group; 163 had egg donation and 978 were fertilised with frozen egg without specification of treatment type (IVF or ICSI).

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School performance in singletons born after assisted reproductive technology

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1985-2001

N=8323 ART

1 499 667 SC

Singletons

Finishing 9th grade school-15-16 years

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Table II School performance in ninth grade for singletons born after assisted reproduction techniques (ART) and spontaneous conception (SC) and graduated 2000–2016.

	ART singletons			SC singletons		
	All n = 83 23	Male n = 4220	Female n = 4103	All n = 1 499 667	Male n = 767 554	Female n = 732 113
Total score*, all subjects, year of test						
All years, 2000–2016, mean score (SD) mean percentile (SD)	230.2 (57.2) 60.2 (27.7)	219.2 (56.9) 60.4 (27.9)	241.6 (55.4) 60.4 (27.5)	209.7 (63.9) 50.2 (29.0)	198.7 (62.0) 50.1 (28.9)	221.2 (63.9) 50.4 (29.1)
2000–2012, mean total score (SD) mean percentile (SD)	225.9 (59.1) 59.0 (28.4)	214.5 (58.7) 58.7 (28.8)	237.7 (57.1) 59.5 (28.0)	207.1 (64.5) 50.3 (29.0)	196.2 (62.4) 50.1 (28.9)	218.6 (64.7) 50.5 (29.1)
	n = 3914	n = 1995	n = 1919	n = 1 192 109	n = 609 326	n = 578 783
2013–2016, mean total score (SD) mean percentile (SD)	234.1 (55.3) 57.4 (28.3)	223.4 (54.9) 57.8 (28.3)	245.1 (53.6) 57.2 (28.6)	219.6 (60.5) 50.1 (29.0)	208.3 (59.1) 50.0 (28.8)	231.5 (59.6) 50.2 (29.0)
	n = 4409	n = 2225	n = 2184	n = 308 556	n = 153 222	n = 149 328
Mathematics**						
All years 2000–2016, mean score (SD) mean percentile (SD)	13.3 (4.6) 61.1 (28.4)	13.0 (4.7) 60.9 (28.4)	13.5 (4.5) 61.4 (28.5)	12.1 (4.8) 53.2 (28.7)	11.9 (4.8) 52.9 (28.4)	12.3 (4.8) 53.5 (29.0)
Swedish**						
All years, 2000–2016, mean score (SD) mean percentile (SD)	14.2 (4.4) 63.0 (28.3)	13.1 (4.2) 61.4 (27.2)	15.4 (4.2) 65.2 (29.0)	12.8 (4.9) 53.8 (29.6)	11.7 (4.7) 51.8 (27.9)	14.1 (4.8) 55.9 (30.8)
English**						
All years, 2000–2016, mean score (SD) mean percentile (SD)	15.1 (4.3) 66.4 (28.6)	14.9 (4.3) 66.4 (28.2)	15.4 (4.2) 66.5 (29.1)	13.5 (4.8) 55.0 (30.4)	13.1 (4.9) 54.2 (29.9)	13.9 (4.8) 55.8 (30.8)
Physical education**						
All years, 2000–2016, mean score (SD) mean percentile (SD)	14.6 (4.7) 62.2 (29.5)	14.8 (4.6) 62.1 (30.4)	14.4 (4.7) 62.4 (28.4)	13.6 (5.3) 56.2 (31.2)	14.0 (5.3) 57.1 (31.7)	13.2 (5.3) 55.3 (30.7)

Mean total score (0–320) and mean grades (0–20) for specific subjects.

* Total score 0–320.

** Score 0–20 (fail = 0 p, pass = 10 p, pass with distinction = 15 p, pass with special distinction = 20 p).

10% higher for ART!

Table IV School performance in ninth grade, children graduated 2000–2016.

	ART vs SC		Male	Female		
	All					
	Crude mean difference (95% CI), P-value	Adjusted* mean difference (95% CI), P-value	Crude mean difference (95% CI), P-value	Adjusted* mean difference (95% CI), P-value	Crude mean difference (95% CI), P-value	Adjusted* mean difference (95% CI), P-value
Total score, all subjects, all years 2000–2016	10.0 (9.4 to 10.6) P < 0.0001	−0.72 (−1.31 to −0.12) P = 0.018	10.3 (9.5 to 11.1) P < 0.0001	−0.36 (−1.21 to 0.49) P = 0.41	10.0 (9.2 to 10.8) P < 0.0001	−1.22 (−2.1 to −0.36) P = 0.005
Mathematics All years 2000–2016	7.9 (7.3 to 8.6) P < 0.0001	−0.56 (−1.19 to 0.06) P = 0.08	7.9 (7.1 to 8.8) P < 0.0001	−0.27 (−1.1 to 0.6) P = 0.54	7.9 (7.1 to 8.8) P < 0.0001	−0.90 (−1.8 to 0.002) P = 0.051
Swedish All years 2000–2016	9.2 (8.6 to 9.8) P < 0.0001	−0.51 (−1.1 to 0.09) P = 0.10	9.6 (8.8 to 10.4) P < 0.0001	0.11 (−0.74 to 0.95) P = 0.81	9.3 (8.4 to 10.2) P < 0.0001	−1.2 (−2.2 to −0.29) P = 0.01
English All years 2000–2016	11.4 (10.8–12.1) P < 0.0001	0.03 (−0.62 to 0.69) P = 0.92	12.2 (11.3 to 13.0) P < 0.0001	0.54 (−0.37 to 1.45) P = 0.24	10.7 (9.8 to 11.6) P < 0.0001	−0.47 (−1.43 to 0.48) P = 0.33
Physical education All years 2000–2016	6.0 (5.4 to 6.6) P < 0.0001	−0.48 (−1.2 to 0.23) P = 0.19	5.0 (4.1 to 5.9) P < 0.0001	−0.004 (−1.02 to 1.01) P = 0.99	7.1 (6.3 to 8.0) P < 0.0001	−0.98 (−1.95 to 0.002) P = 0.051

Crude and adjusted mean difference in total score, all subjects and in Mathematics, English, Swedish and physical education (percentiles, 1–100).

*Adjusted for maternal age, paternal age, parental region of birth, parity, smoking during pregnancy, parental level of education, socioeconomic status, year of birth.

Adjusted analysis-slightly lower!

School performance in singletons born after assisted reproductive technology

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	ART n=8323	SC n=1499667	aOR 95% CI
Approved in Mathematics, Swedish, English Qualified to enter secondary school	93.5%	88.8%	1.05 (0.95-1.17)
Poor school performance	7.2%	13.5%	0.98 (0.89-1.09)

Cancer risk among children born after assisted conception

Study period	Cohort size	Average follow-up	Observed cancers	Expected cancers	Risk	95% CI
1992-2008	106013	6.6y	108	109.7	SIR=0.98	0.81-1.19
Hepato-blastoma			6	1.8	SIR=3.64	1.34-7.93
Rhabdomyo-sarcoma			10	3.8	SIR=2.62	1.26-4.82

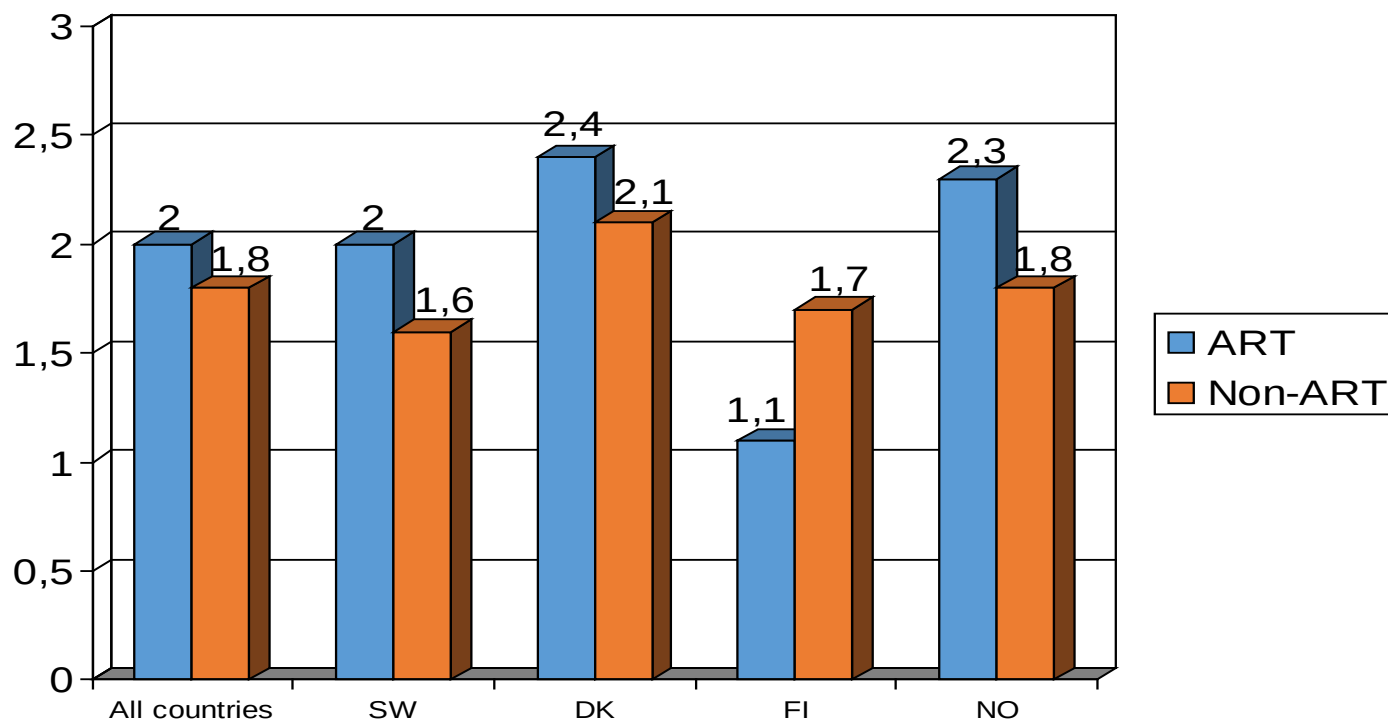
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Cancer in children and young adults born after assisted reproductive technology: a Nordic cohort study from the Committee of Nordic ART and Safety (CoNARTaS)

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Per 1000



ART: 91 796

SC:358 419

1982-2007

Follow up: 9.5 years

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Hazard ratio (95% CI) for cancer in children born after ART vs non-ART

	ART n	Non-ART n	Crude*	Adjusted**
Any cancer	181	638	1.16 (0.87-1.55)	1.14 (0.85-1.53)

* Age at diagnosis and time of follow-up incorporated

** Adjustment for country



Research

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Association of In Vitro Fertilization With Childhood Cancer in the United States

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	ART	Spontaneous conception
Children	275 686	2 266 847
Cancer/ 1000 000 person-year	251.9	192.7

Follow up:

ART: 4.5 years

SC: 4.7 years

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Table 2. Data on the Rates of Cancer by Study Group for All Children (Singleton and Multiple Births Combined)^a

Cancer	Cases, No.		Cancer Rate/1 000 000 Person-Years		HR (95% CI) ^b
	IVF	Non-IVF	IVF	Non-IVF	
Any cancer	321	2042	251.9	192.7	1.17 (1.00-1.36)
Leukemia	93	707	73.0	66.7	0.93 (0.70-1.22)
ALL	72	534	56.5	50.4	0.96 (0.71-1.32)
AML	13	108	10.2	10.2	0.74 (0.35-1.53)
Lymphoma	22	139	17.3	13.1	1.00 (0.56-1.80)
CNS cancer	59	383	46.3	36.1	1.26 (0.89-1.79)
Astrocytoma	34	197	26.7	18.6	1.50 (0.95-2.36)
Ependymoma	5	48	3.9	4.5	0.53 (0.16-1.72)
Intracranial embryonal tumors	13	83	10.2	7.8	1.41 (0.67-2.95)
Neuroblastoma	47	260	36.9	24.5	1.10 (0.74-1.65)
Retinoblastoma	14	127	11.0	12.0	1.11 (0.57-2.18)
Renal cancer	28	186	22.0	17.6	1.10 (0.66-1.84)
Hepatic cancer	23	60	18.1	5.7	2.46 (1.29-4.70)
Soft-tissue sarcoma	18	97	14.1	9.2	1.50 (0.81-2.84)
Germ cell tumors	11	43	8.6	4.1	2.13 (0.91-4.96)
Embryonal tumors ^c	131	746	102.8	70.4	1.28 (1.01-1.63)

Abbreviations: ALL, acute lymphoblastic leukemia; AML, acute myeloid leukemia; CNS, central nervous system; HR, hazard ratio; IVF, in vitro fertilization.

^a The final population included 275 686 children in the IVF group (1 274 070 person-years; 209 586 births) and 2 266 847 children in the non-IVF group (10 596 144 person-years; 2 230 378 births).

^b Adjusted for state of birth, maternal race and ethnicity, maternal educational

level (college graduate vs less than college graduate), maternal age, and child's sex; missing data for maternal race (4.3%) and educational level (2.2%) were replaced by a category labeled "missing" in each variable.

^c Neuroblastoma, retinoblastoma, nephroblastoma, hepatoblastoma, embryonal rhabdomyosarcoma, pulmonary and pleuropulmonary blastoma, medulloblastoma, primitive neuroectodermal tumor, medulloepithelioma, and atypical teratoid and rhabdoid tumor.

Risk of cancer in children and young adults conceived by assisted reproductive technology

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1980-2001, OMEGA, 21 years follow up

ART: 24269

SC:13761

Subfertile:9660

231 cancer (93, 92, 46)

ART vs subfertile: HR 1.0 (0.72-1.38)

ART vs general population: SIR:1.11 (0.90-1.36)

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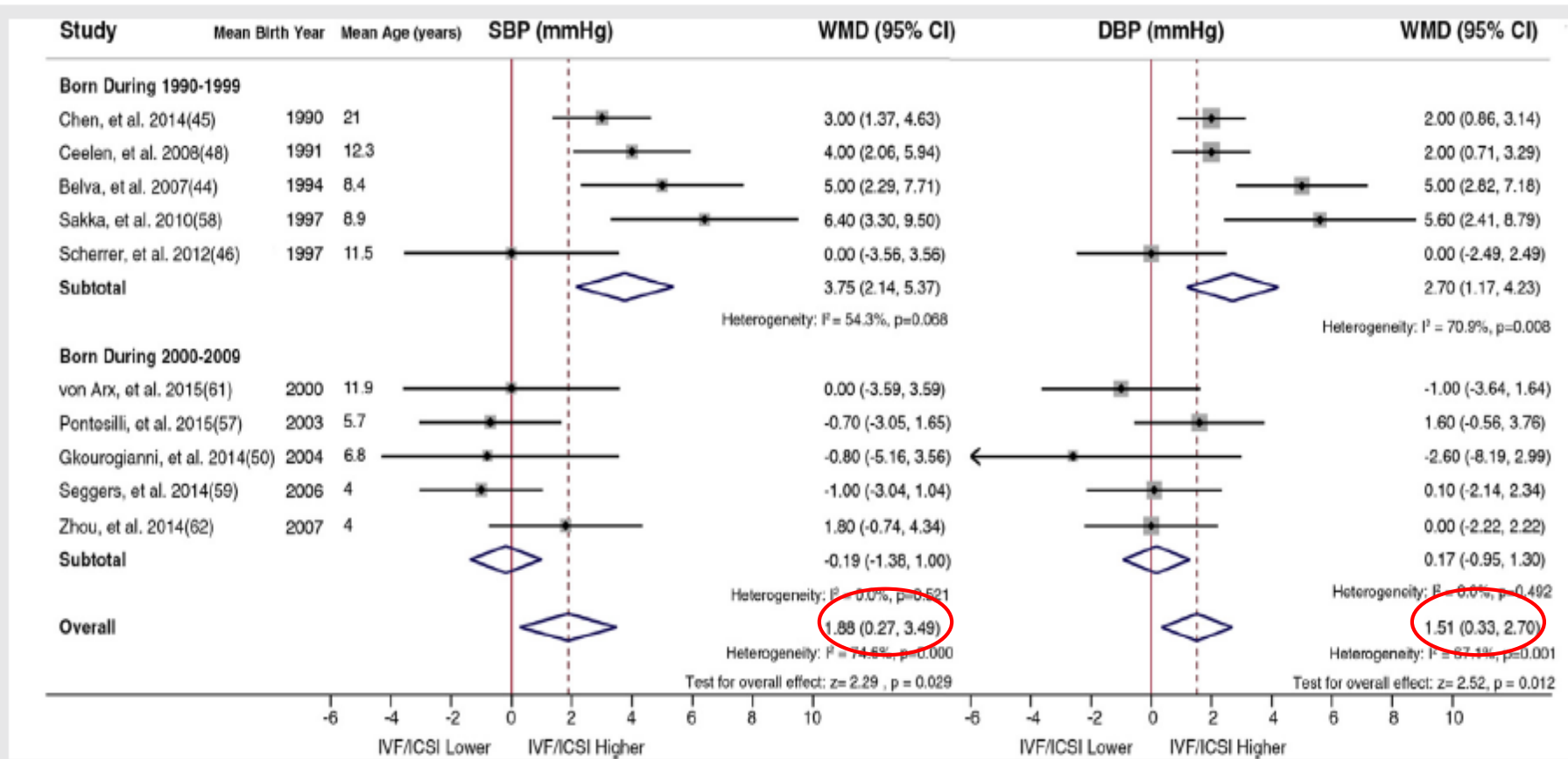
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19 studies

2,112 IVF/ICSI children

4,096 SC children

FIGURE 1

Systolic and diastolic blood pressure of 872 IVF-ICSI offspring versus 3,034 naturally conceived offspring. Studies are arranged and grouped by mean birth year of the children. Random effects model was used. CI = confidence interval; DBP = systolic diastolic blood pressure; SBP = systolic blood pressure; WMD = weighted mean difference.

Guo. Cardiometabolic profile of ART offspring. *Fertil Steril* 2016.

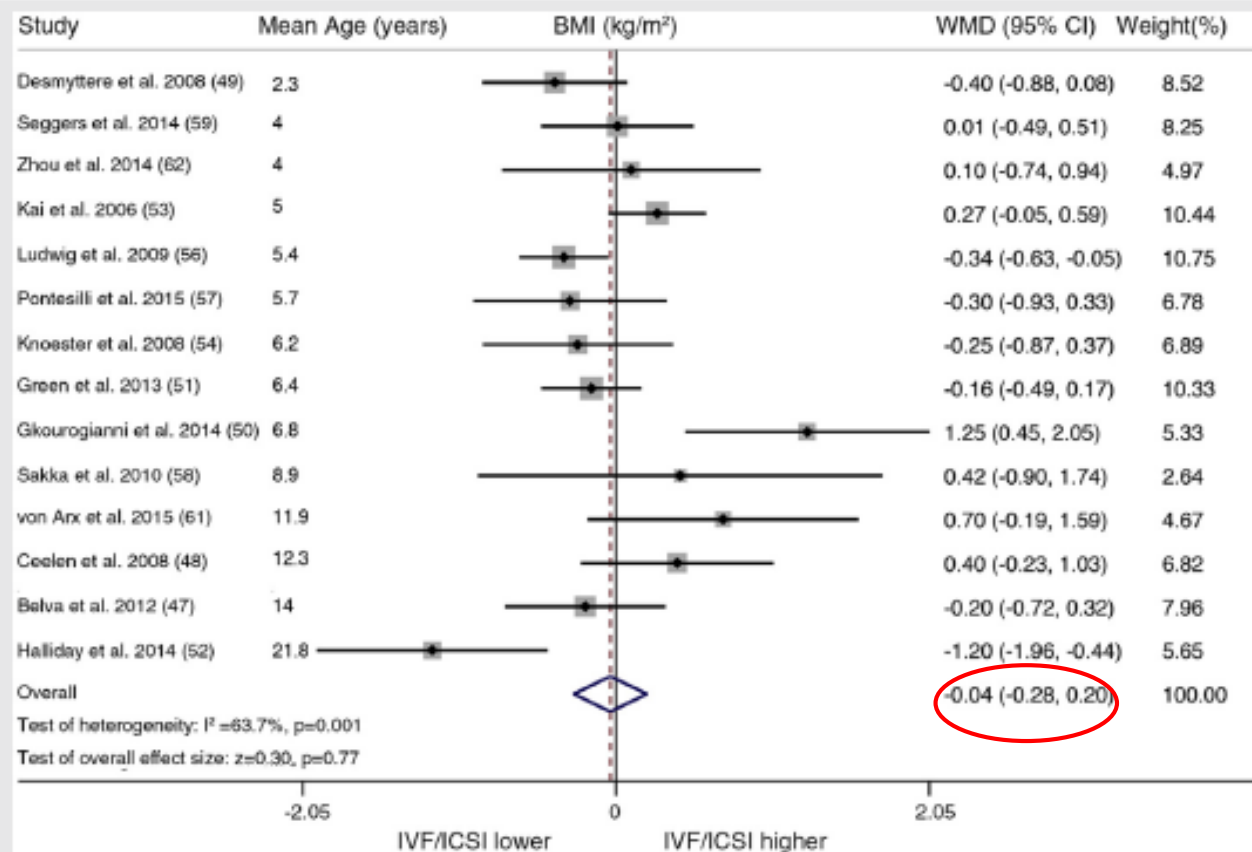
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FIGURE 2



Body mass index of 1,914 IVF-ICSI offspring versus 3,881 naturally conceived offspring. Studies are arranged according to mean age of the subjects. Random effects model was used. CI = confidence interval; WMD = weighted mean difference.

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Systemic and Pulmonary Vascular Dysfunction in Children Conceived by Assisted Reproductive Technologies

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- IVF singletons (n=65) and spontaneously conceived singletons (n=57)
- General vascular dysfunction in the systemic and pulmonary circulation
 - Intima thickness in the carotic artery ↑
 - Pressure in the pulmonary artery ↑

(Circulation 2012)

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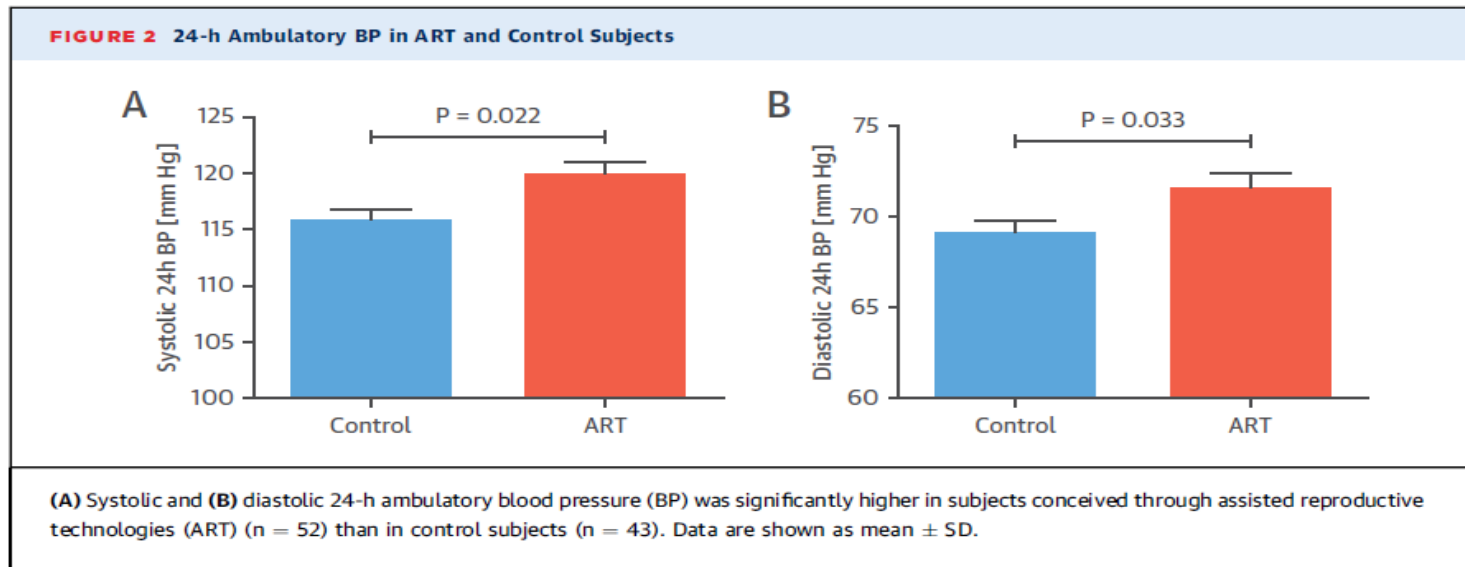
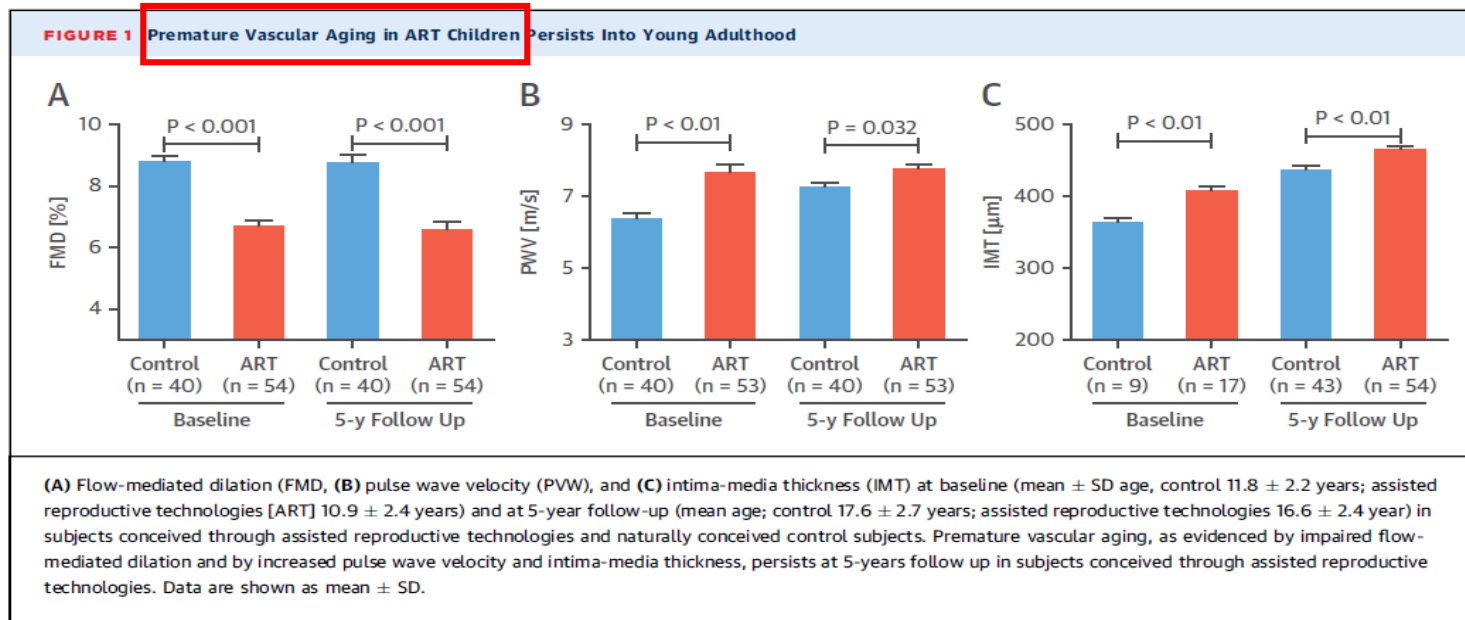
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54 ART, 43 SC singletons
5-year follow up (16-17 years old)

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Fertility treatment and childhood type 1 diabetes mellitus: a nationwide cohort study of 565,116 live births

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TABLE 2

Associations between types of fertility treatment and childhood type 1 diabetes mellitus in 565,116 singleton pregnancies, Denmark, 1995–2003.

Exposure	Pregnancies, n (%)	Diabetes, n (%)	Person-years at risk	HR	HR (95% CI) adjusted ^a
No fertility treatment	541,641 (95.9)	1,928 (0.4)	7,581,754	1.00 (reference)	1.00 (reference)
OI or IUI	14,985 (2.7)	54 (0.4)	202,015	1.06	1.01 (0.77–1.32)
IVF or ICSI	8,490 (1.5)	29 (0.3)	112,850	1.03	0.99 (0.67–1.45)

Note: CI = confidence interval; HR = hazard rate ratio; ICSI = intracytoplasmic sperm injection; IUI = intrauterine insemination; IVF = in vitro fertilization; OI = ovulation induction.

^a Adjusted for maternal age at birth, maternal smoking during pregnancy, maternal education, maternal ethnicity, maternal and paternal type 1 diabetes mellitus, and child's year of birth.

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Type 1 Diabetes in Children born after Assisted Reproductive Technology: a register based national cohort study

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	ART	SC
	n=47,938	n=3,090,602
DM1	202	17,916
per 100 000 person years	43.4	35.5

aHR (ART vs SC):1.07 (0.93-1.23)

aHR (FET vs fresh): 1.52 (1.08-2.14)

aHR (FET vs SC):1.41 (1.05 to 1.89)

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Reproductive health in ICSI

Pubertal development

- 116 ICSI boys and 115 SC boys, 14 years old
- Genital development and pubic hair development comparable
- 101 ICSI girls and 108 SC girls, 14 years old
- Mean (SD) age for menarche 13.1 (1.2) and 13.1 (1.4) years
- Pubic hair development comparable
- Breast development was less advanced in ICSI



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Reproductive health in ICSI

- 54 ICSI men and 57 SC men, 18-22 years old
- Reproductive hormones:
- FSH, LH, testosterone, and inhibin B comparable
- Semen parameters:
- **Lower semen parameters in ICSI cohort**
- Concentration <15 million/ml: AOR 2.7 (95% CI 1.1-6.7)
- Total count <39 million: AOR 4.3 (95% CI 1.7-11.3)

- 71 ICSI women and 81 SC women, 18-22 years old
- Reproductive hormones:
- AMH, FSH, LH, and DHEAS comparable
- Mean follicle count/ovary comparable



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KEY MESSAGES - short term outcomes

- Neonatal outcome (PTB, LBW) -increased rates
- Congenital birth defects - increased rate
- ICSI-IVF-No differences
- Cryopreservation-lower PTB/LBW, higher LGA

KEY MESSAGES – long term outcomes

- Growth-no difference
- Cancer no/small increased risk
- Neuro-developmental diseases- no increased risk
- Academic performance-reassuring
- Autism-reassuring
- SBP and DBP slightly higher
- Cardiac diastolic function suboptimal and vessels thickness was higher
- BMI and lipid metabolism similar
- Type 1 Diabetes-increased for FET

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Cardiometabolic differences in children born after IVF

(8-18 year-old, matched age and gender)

	IVF N=225	Controls (subfertile) N=225	P-value
SBT	109±11	105±1	<0.001
DBT	61±7	59±7	<0.001
Fasting glucose	5.0± 0.4	4.8±0.4	<0.005

Ceelen et al, 2008

Are ICSI adolescents at risk for increased adiposity?

(14-year old ICSI singletons and spontaneous conception, n=233)

Result: ICSI girls more central, peripheral and total adiposity

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Association between assisted reproductive technology and the risk of autism spectrum disorders in the offspring: a meta-analysis

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11 studies

N=46 249 ART children

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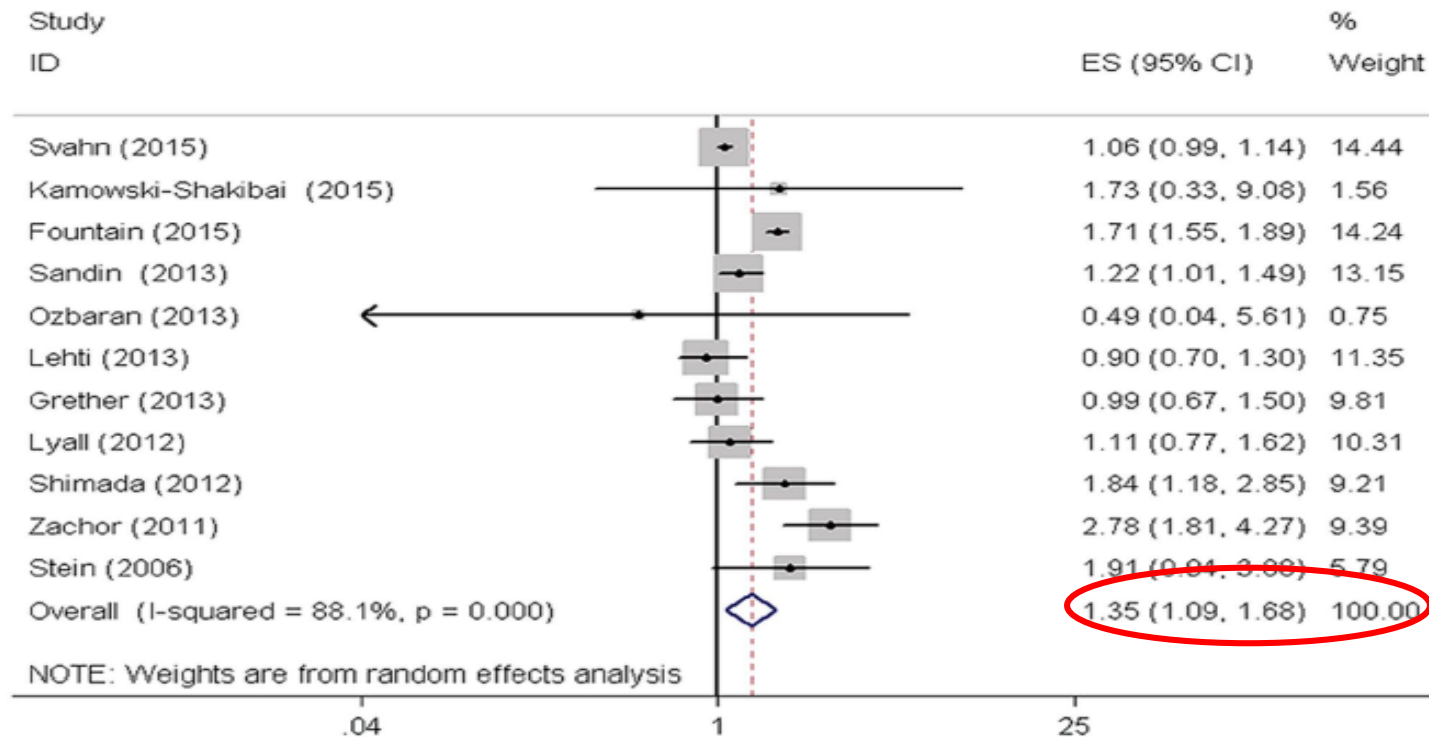


Figure 2. Forest plot of ASDs risk associated with ART using. ASDs, autism spectrum disorders; CI, confidence interval.

**No increase when
adjusted for multiplicity!**

Academic performance in adolescents born after ART—a nationwide registry-based cohort study

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- Small increase in SBP and DBP
- Cardiac diastolic function suboptimal and vessels thickness was higher
- Increased insulin levels, no difference in glucose
- No difference in BMI and lipid metabolism
- Indicates a certain risk of cardiovascular disease which calls for further investigation

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Long-Term Cardiovascular Morbidity in Children Born Following Fertility Treatment

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Population based cohort, Israel
Hospitalization up to age 13 years
Singletons: 2603 IVF, 237 863 Spontaneous
conception

CVD:15 (0.6%) vs 1476 (0.6%)
aHR 1.05 (0.63-1.74)



Type 1 diabetes risk in children born to women with fertility problems: a cohort study in 1.5 million Danish children

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Table 2. Relative risks (HRs) and 95% confidence intervals (95% CIs) for type 1 diabetes according to maternal fertility status.

	<i>N</i> _{cases}	<i>N</i> _{all}	HR ^a	(95% CI)	HR ^b	(95% CI)
Maternal fertility problems						
No	5176	1 440 126	1.00	—	1.00	—
Yes	313	110 393	1.09	(0.97–1.22)	1.01	(0.90–1.13)
Birth year						
1987–93						
No	2298	427 209	1.00	—	1.00	—
Yes	61	12 546	0.92	(0.72–1.19)	0.90	(0.70–1.16)
1994–2010						
No	2878	1 012 917	1.00	—	1.00	—
Yes	252	97 847	1.09	(0.96–1.24)	1.05	(0.92–1.19)
Age at diagnosis						
<1 years						
No	85	1 440 126	1.00	—	1.00	—
Yes	6	110 393	0.92	(0.40–2.11)	0.86	(0.37–1.99)
1–15 years						
No	4251	1 428 332	1.00	—	1.00	—
Yes	286	109 210	1.12	(1.00–1.27)	1.04	(0.92–1.17)
>15 years						
No	840	656 335	1.00	—	1.00	—
Yes	21	26 383	0.81	(0.52–1.25)	0.79	(0.51–1.21)

^aCrude unadjusted model.

^bAdjusted for birth year, sex and history of parental type 1 diabetes.



Type 1 Diabetes in Children born after Assisted Reproductive Technology: a register based national cohort study

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- Year of birth 1985 to 2015
- Singletons born after ART (n=47 938)
- Singletons born after SC (n=3 090 602)
- ART: 36 727 fresh embryo transfer, 11 211 frozen embryo transfer



National registries

IVF-registries

- Medical Birth Registry
- National Patient Registry
- SWEDIABKIDS
- National Diabetes Register
- Swedish Prescribed Drug Register
- SCB (Swedish Central Bureau)

Association between ART and type 1 diabetes in singletons born in Sweden between 1985 and 2015

	All ART n= 47 938	SC n= 3,090,602
Type 1 diabetes n, % (n= 18 118)	202	17 916
Person-years at risk	465 450	50 471 136
HR (95% CI) crude ART vs SC	1.23 (1.07 to 1.42)	1.00 (reference)
HR (95% CI) adjusted ^a ART versus SC	1.13 (0.98 to 1.30)	1.00 (reference)
HR (95% CI) adjusted ^b ART versus SC	1.07 (0.93 to 1.23)	1.00 (reference)

^aAdjusted for calendar year of birth

^bAdjusted for maternal age, sex, year of birth, maternal smoking, maternal country of birth and educational level, type 1 diabetes of the parents

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Association between frozen embryo transfer and type 1 diabetes in singletons born in Sweden between 1985 and 2015

	IVF/ICSI frozen N= 11,211	IVF/ICSI fresh N= 36,727	Spontaneous conception N= 3,090,602
Type 1 diabetes N=202 (%)	45 (0.40)	157 (0.43)	17,916 (0.58)
Person-years at risk	83,181	382,269	50,471,136
HR (95% CI) crude Frozen versus fresh IVF/ICSI	1.48 (1.06 to 2.07)	1.00 (reference)	
HR (95% CI) adjusted ^b Frozen versus fresh IVF/ICSI	1.52 (1.08 to 2.14)	1.00 (reference)	
HR (95% CI) crude Frozen IVF/ICSI versus SC	1.65 (1.23 to 2.21)		1.00 (reference)
HR (95% CI) adjusted ^b Frozen IVF/ICSI versus SC	1.41 (1.05 to 1.89)		1.00 (reference)

^bAdjusted for maternal age, sex, year of birth, maternal smoking, maternal country of birth and educational level, type 1 diabetes of the parents

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