

Assisted Reproduction Techniques for avoiding inherited diseases

Practical aspects of PGD and Results

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Reporting Outcome of PGD

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Figure 42: PGD treatment numbers for UK

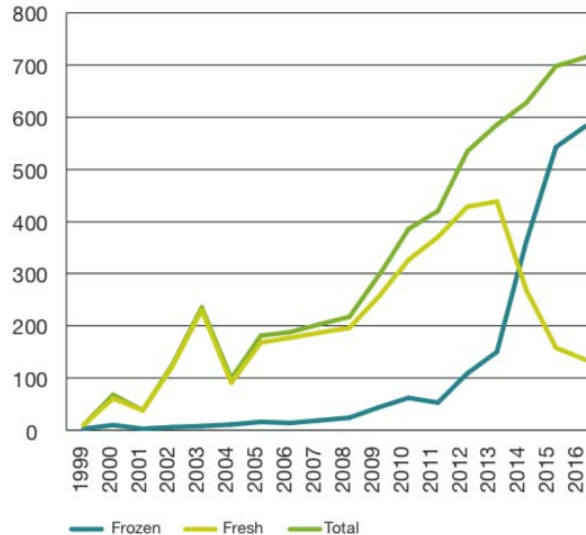
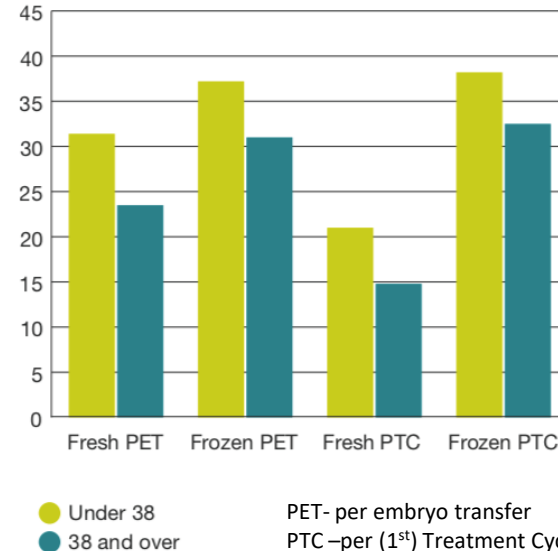
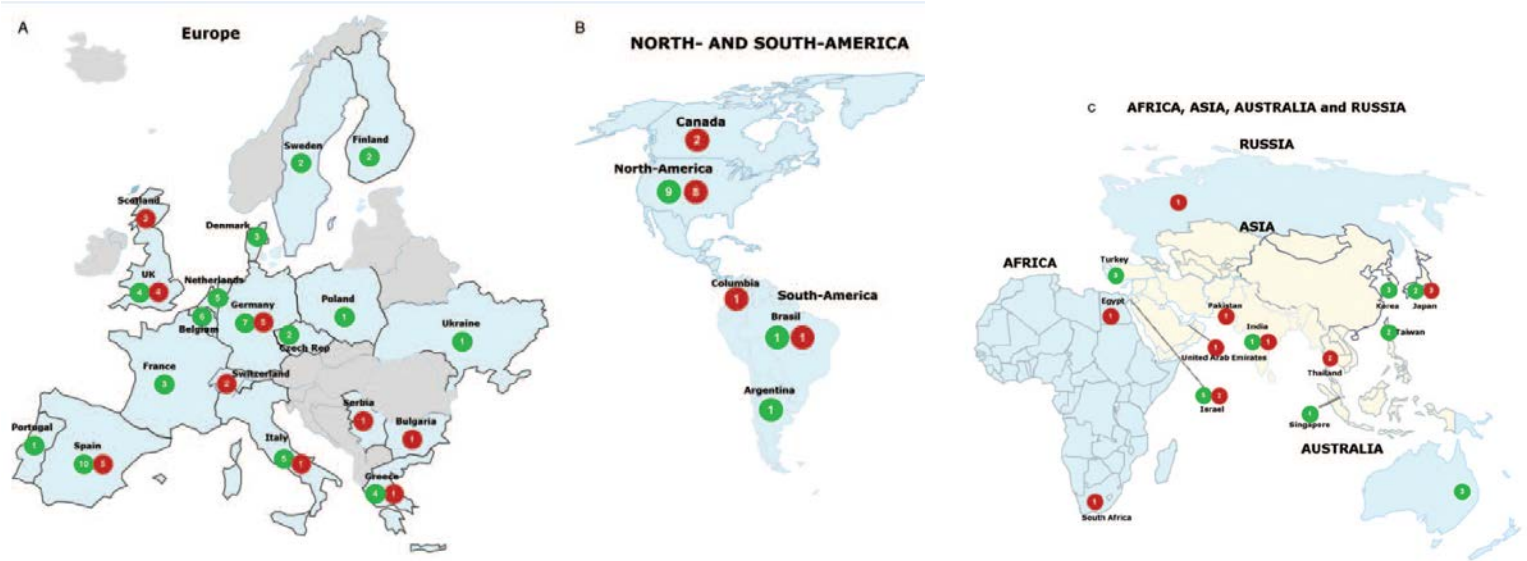


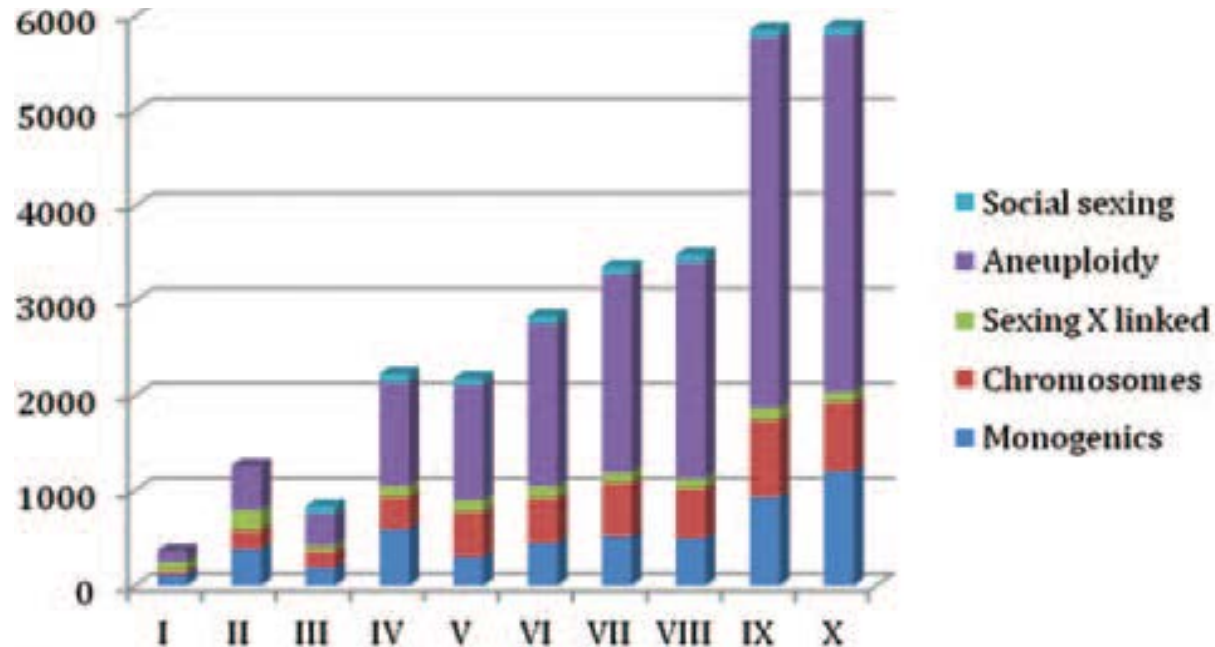
Figure 45: PGD birth rates by age, 2016



Data from ESHRE PGD Consortium



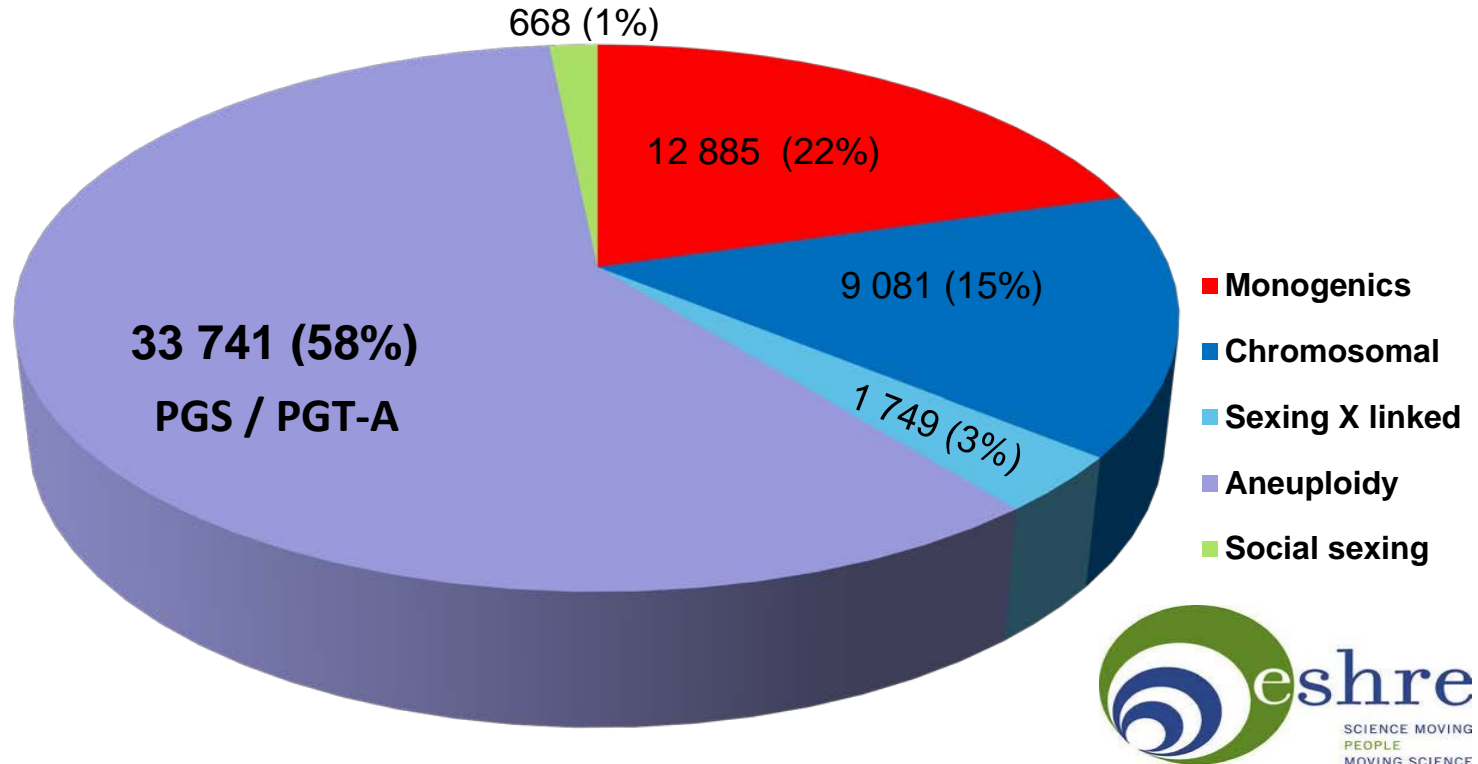
The ESHRE PGD Consortium: 10 years of data collection



REASONS FOR EMBRYO BIOPSY

ESHRE Consortium data I-XV

Based on 54,589 cycles



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Table 1 Ten years of PGD Consortium data.

	Cycles to OR	No. embryos biopsied	No. embryos transferred (mean/ET)	Embryo transfer procedures	Clinical pregnancy rate (per OR and per ET)
Single genes	4733	27980	7035 (1.9)	3727	22% per OR 29% per ET
Structural chromosome abnormalities	4253	27068	4775 (1.7)	2731	17% per OR 26% per ET
Sexing X-linked	1167	7317	1598 (1.8)	880	19% per OR 26% per ET
Aneuploidy	16806	90404	21543 (1.8)	12071	19% per OR 27% per ET
Social sexing	671	4285	993 (2.0)	492	21% per OR 29% per ET

OR, oocyte retrieval; ET, embryo transfer procedure.

Table IVa

Cycles performed for single gene disorders, data collection I–XIII.

Indication	X-linked	Autosomal recessive	Autosomal dominant
Cycles to OR	1330	2838	3114
Clinical outcome			
Cycles to ET	1002	2396	2402
hCG positive	364	977	878
Positive heartbeat	294	776	684
Clinical pregnancy rate (% per OR/% per ET)	22/29	27/32	22/28

Reporting Outcome of PGD

- Most clinics and registries report outcome based on the IVF and the PGD as per 1st transfer cycle
- **This does not inform patients of the likelihood of having an unaffected child when they complete a full PGD cycle (including the transfer of any tested embryos that remain frozen)**
- **It is important for patients to know the chance of having an unaffected child after one hormonal stimulation for PGD (intention to treat – ITT)**

Cumulative Livebirth Rate

The likelihood of attaining a live birth after completing a full stimulation, IVF, and PGD cycle

- Includes fresh and related frozen transfers**
 - Number of frozen cycles may vary (1-6)**
 - Counted up to the first successful delivery**
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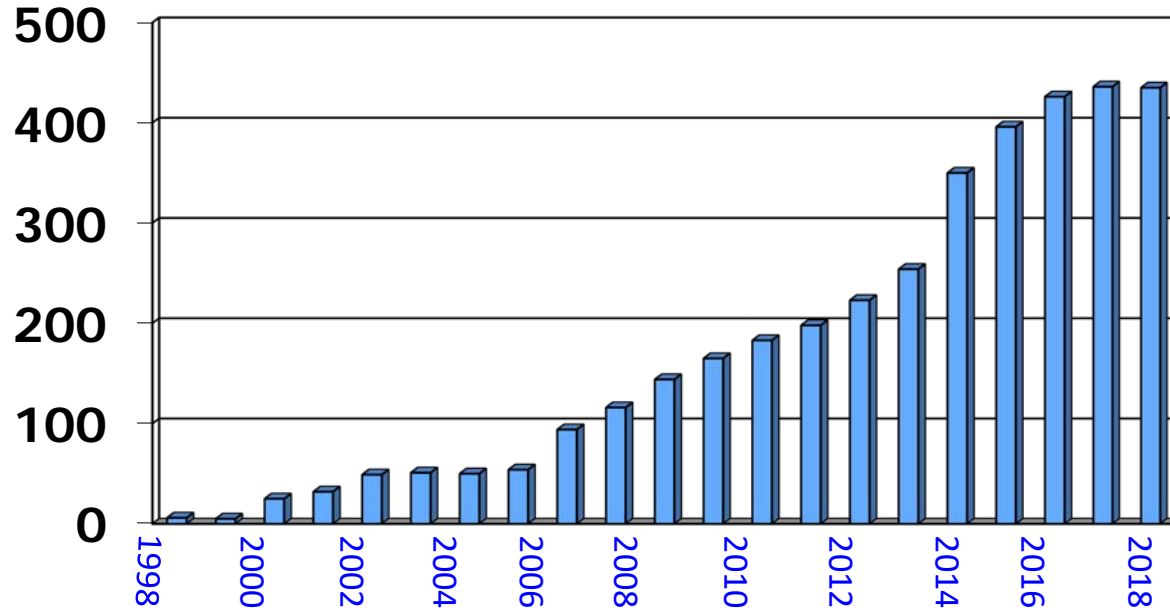
Value of Cumulative Rate

- Improves patient counselling (realistic expectations)
 - Better awareness of possible reasons for a cycle not progressing or the need for multiple transfer cycles
 - Better control of multiple pregnancy (one at a time)
 - Clear target for funding and service provision
 - Needed for comparison of other modalities of avoiding genetic disease
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Likelihood of success

- **Type of genetic inheritance**
 - **Age of woman**
 - **Response to stimulation**
 - **Number and quality of embryos that develop**
 - **Number of blastocysts available for biopsy**
 - **Quality of the laboratory handling ICSI, biopsy, and cryopreservation and thaw**
 - **Veracity of the molecular testing result**
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Annual number of stimulation cycles started for PGD at one UK centre



UK PGD cycles

HFEA 3 year aggregate data

ACU, Guy's Hospital

UCH, London

CARE, Nottingham

The Bridge Centre, London

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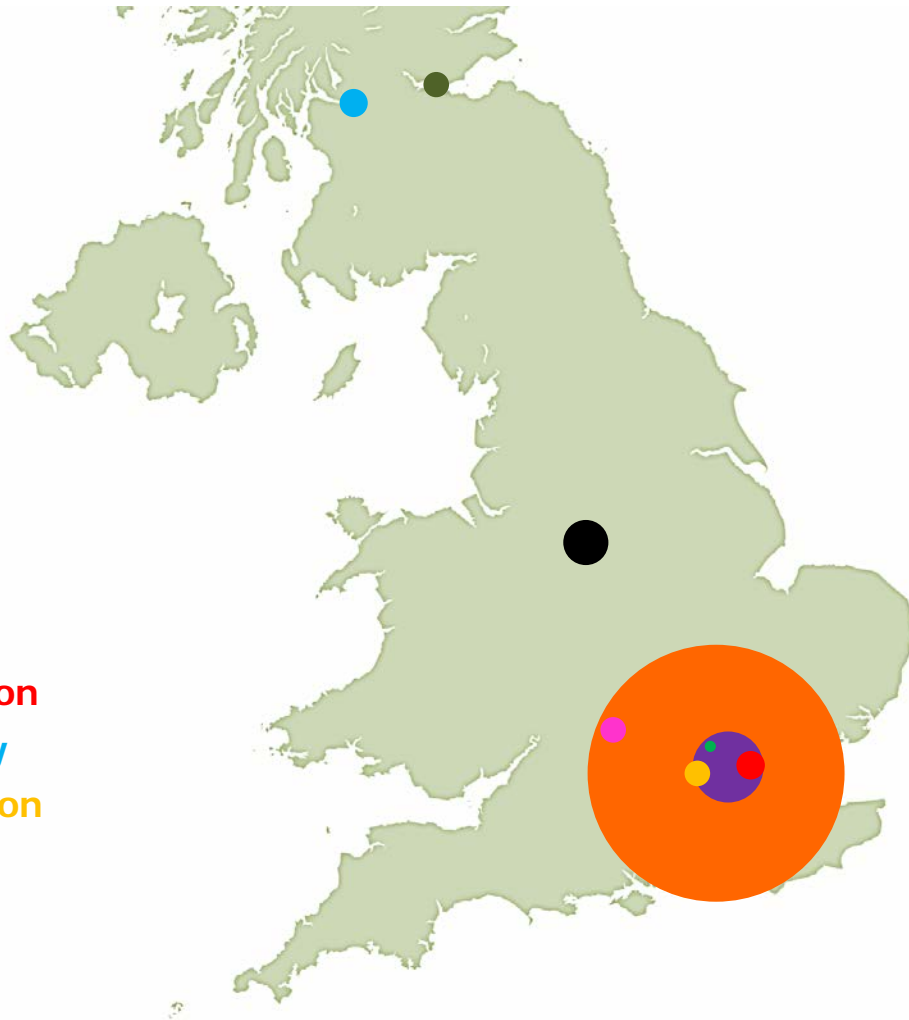
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Types of PGD cases

NO PGS (PGT-A) undertaken

No (%)	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Rearrang (FISH)	75 (41)	75 (37)	74 (33)	79 (32)	28 (8)	14 (4)	10	0	0
Rearrang (CGH)					73 (21)	73 (18)	90	102 (23)	84 (19)
Single Gene PGH	106 (58)	120 (61)	144 (65)	167 (65)	240 (69)	303 (76)	323	300 (69)	351 (81)

Change to Trophoblast
Biopsy

Main conditions in 2011-2018

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
CF	39	28	29	28	25	44	39	34
HD	32	26	39	40	40	39	38	44
DMD	5	9	16	12	13	6	6	8
Fragile X	5	10	11	12	11	6	5	5
Hb'pathy	4	11	9	9	22	29	25	16
MD	3	8	6	9	13	7	19	14

Range of SGD cases

2018: 272 biopsy cases

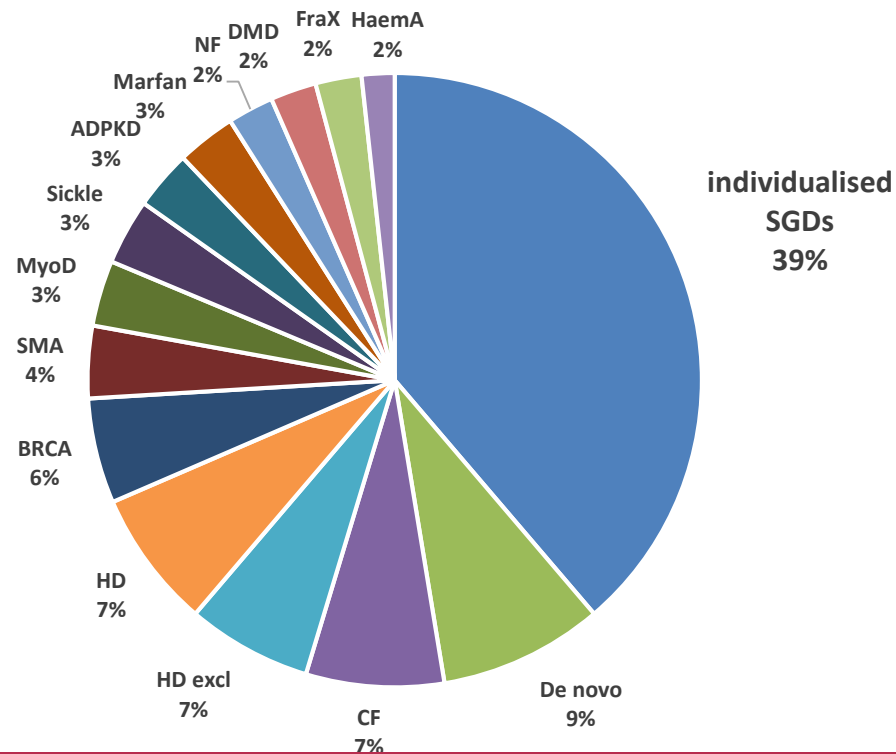
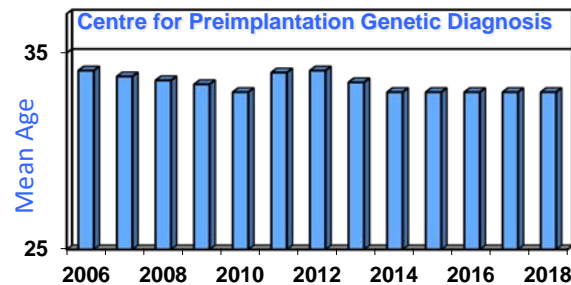
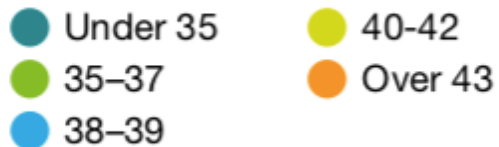
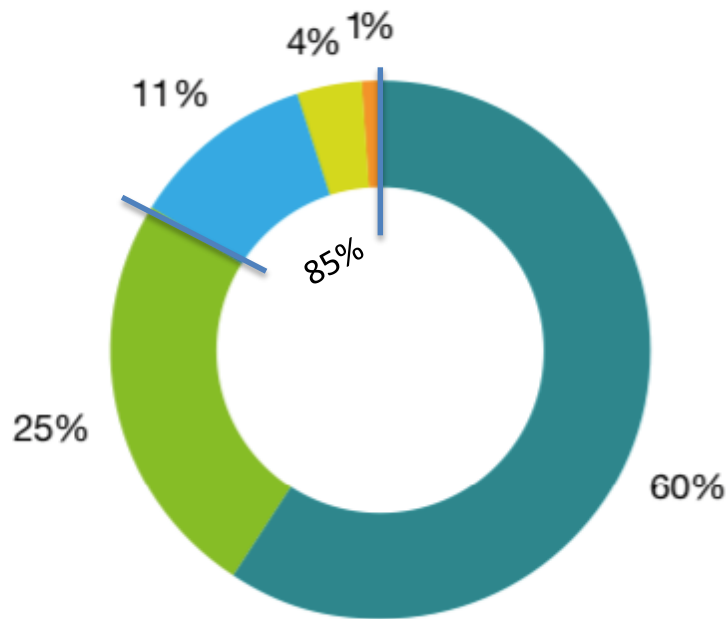
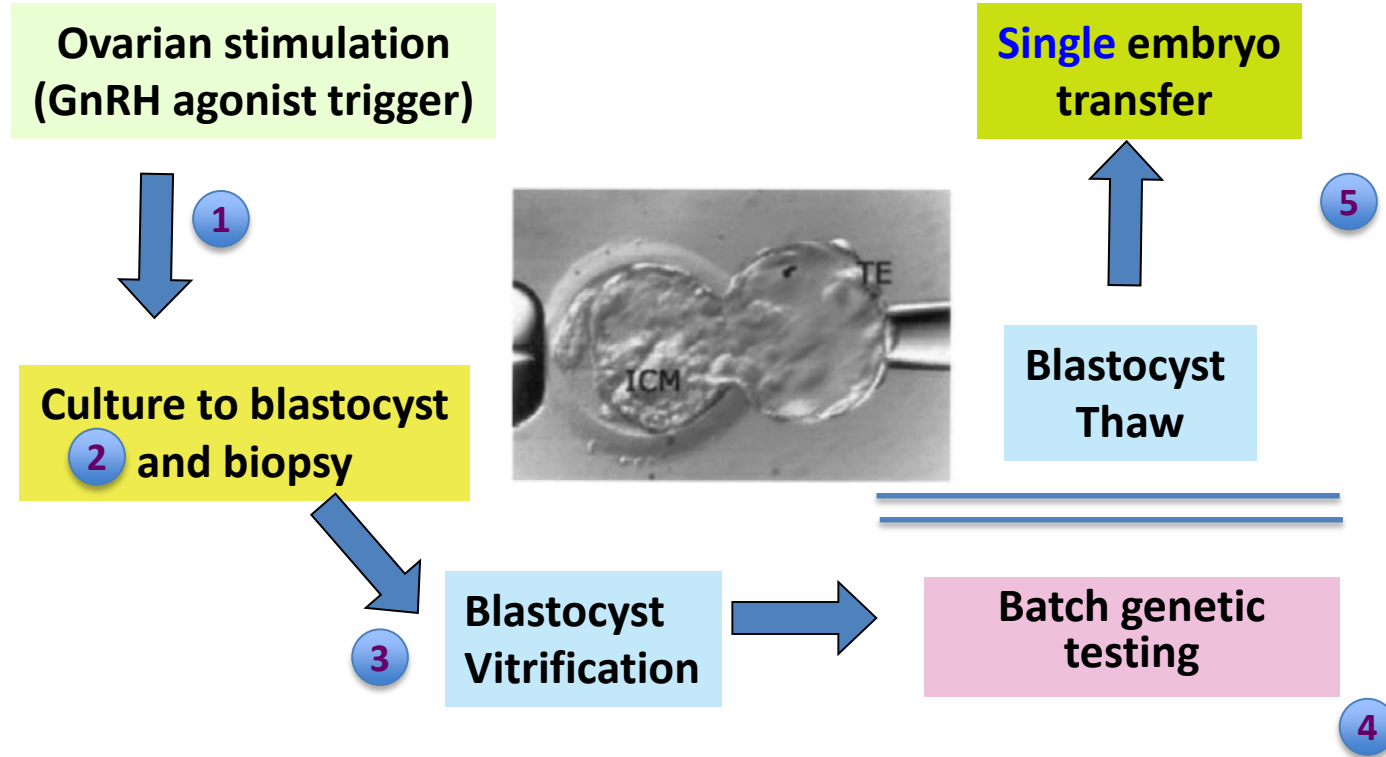


Figure 43: PGD treatments by age, 2016

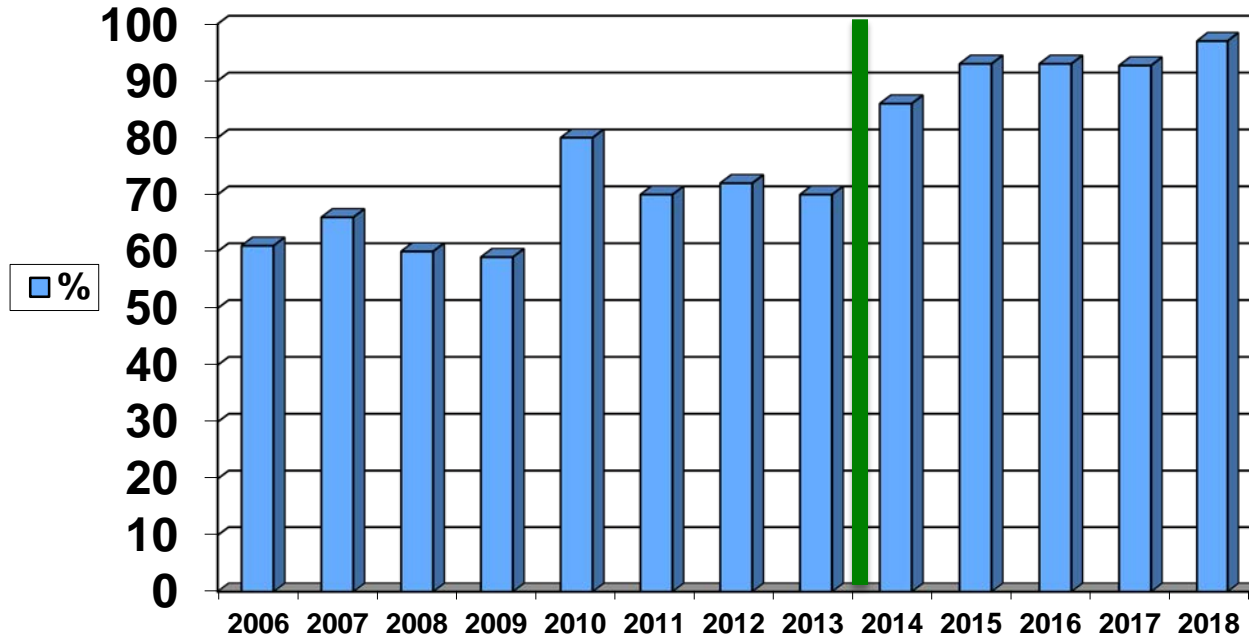
HFEA Report



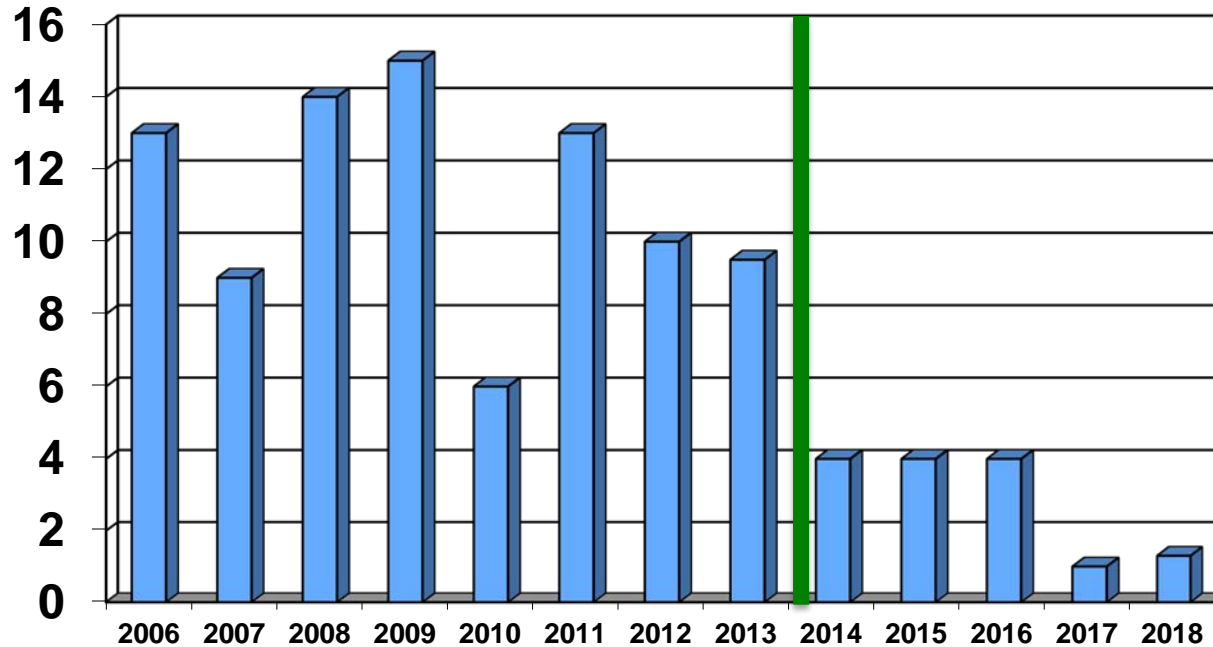
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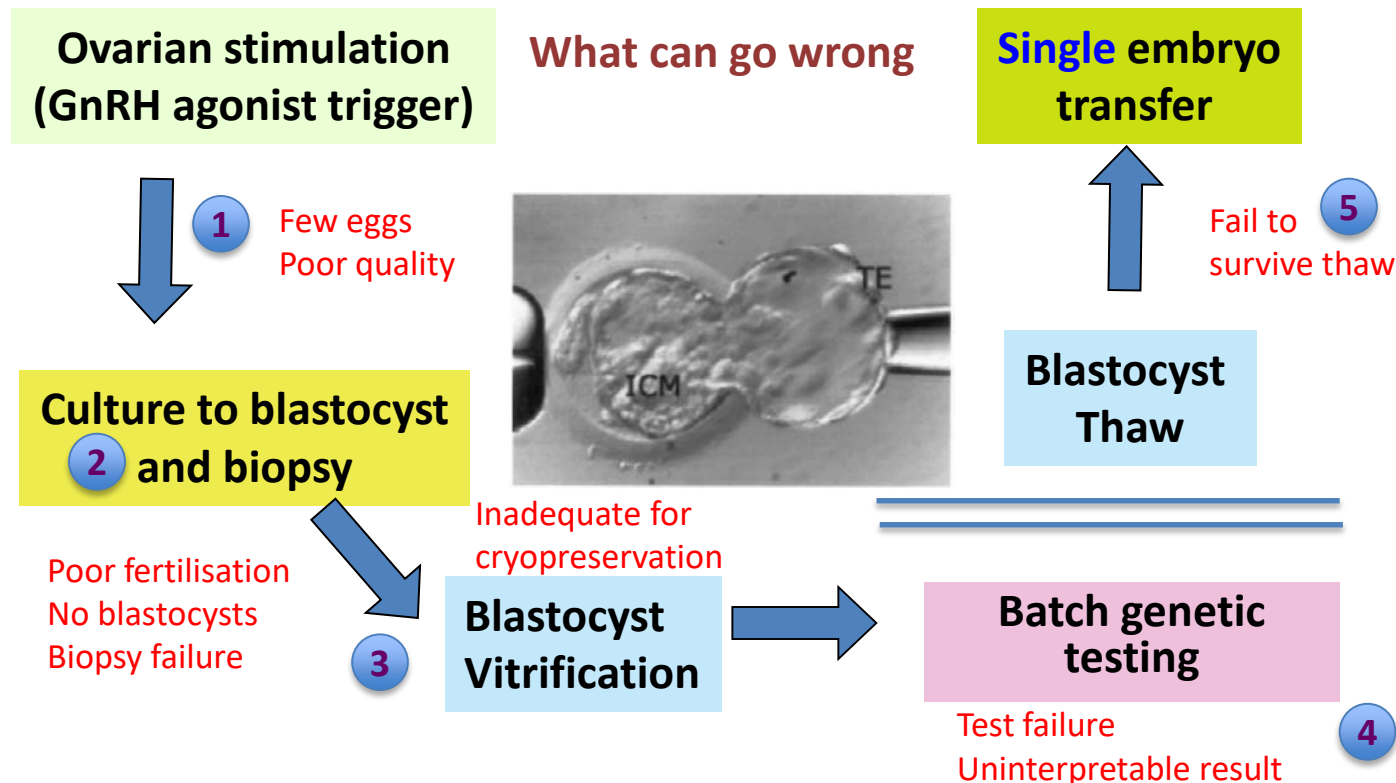
SET is the norm at Guy's



Multiple pregnancy rate has fallen dramatically



PGD Cycle Dislocation



Cumulative LBR after TBx FOR SGD

In 2016, 319 couples started treatment

89 couples
had no ET (28%)

82 couples
had one FET

148 couples
Had two or more FET

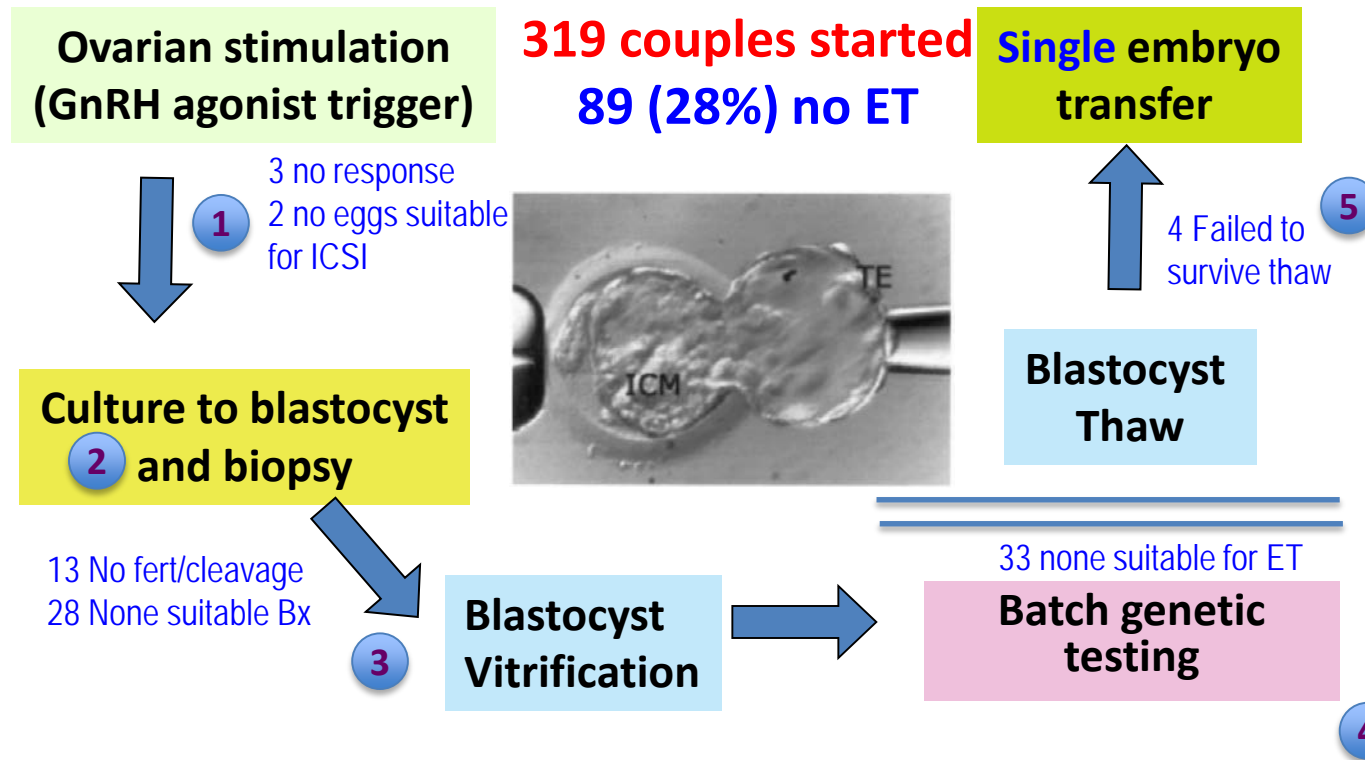
20 had a LB (27%)

103 had an LB (70%)

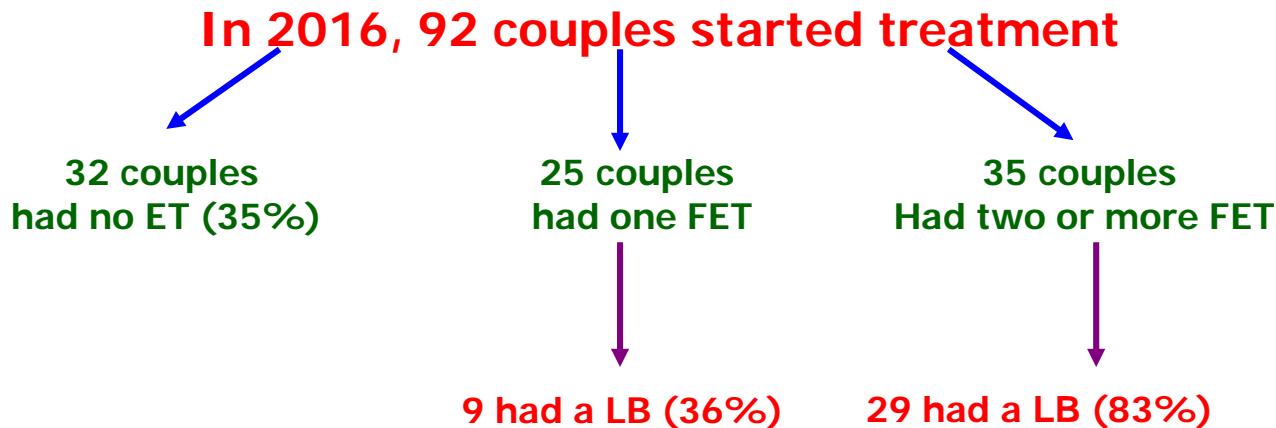
Total no. of LB = 123

39% per couple starting
54% per couple reaching transfer

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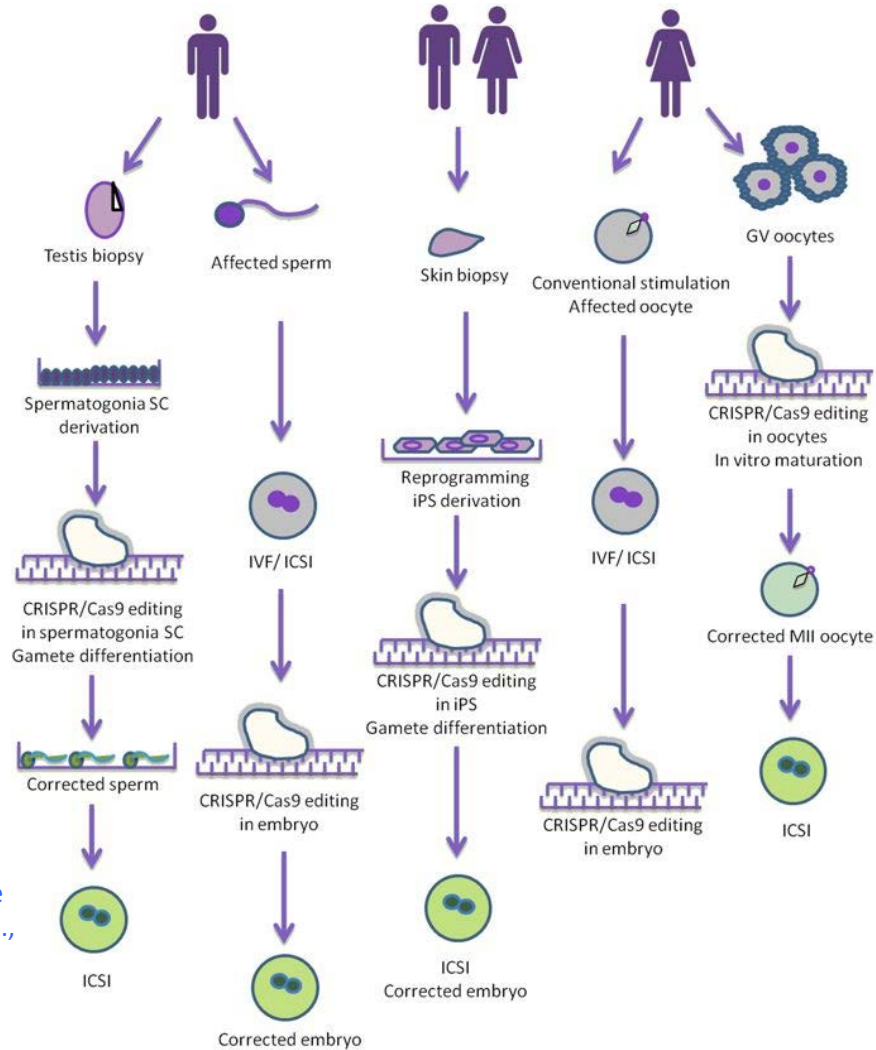
Cumulative LBR for rearrangements



Total no. of LB = 38

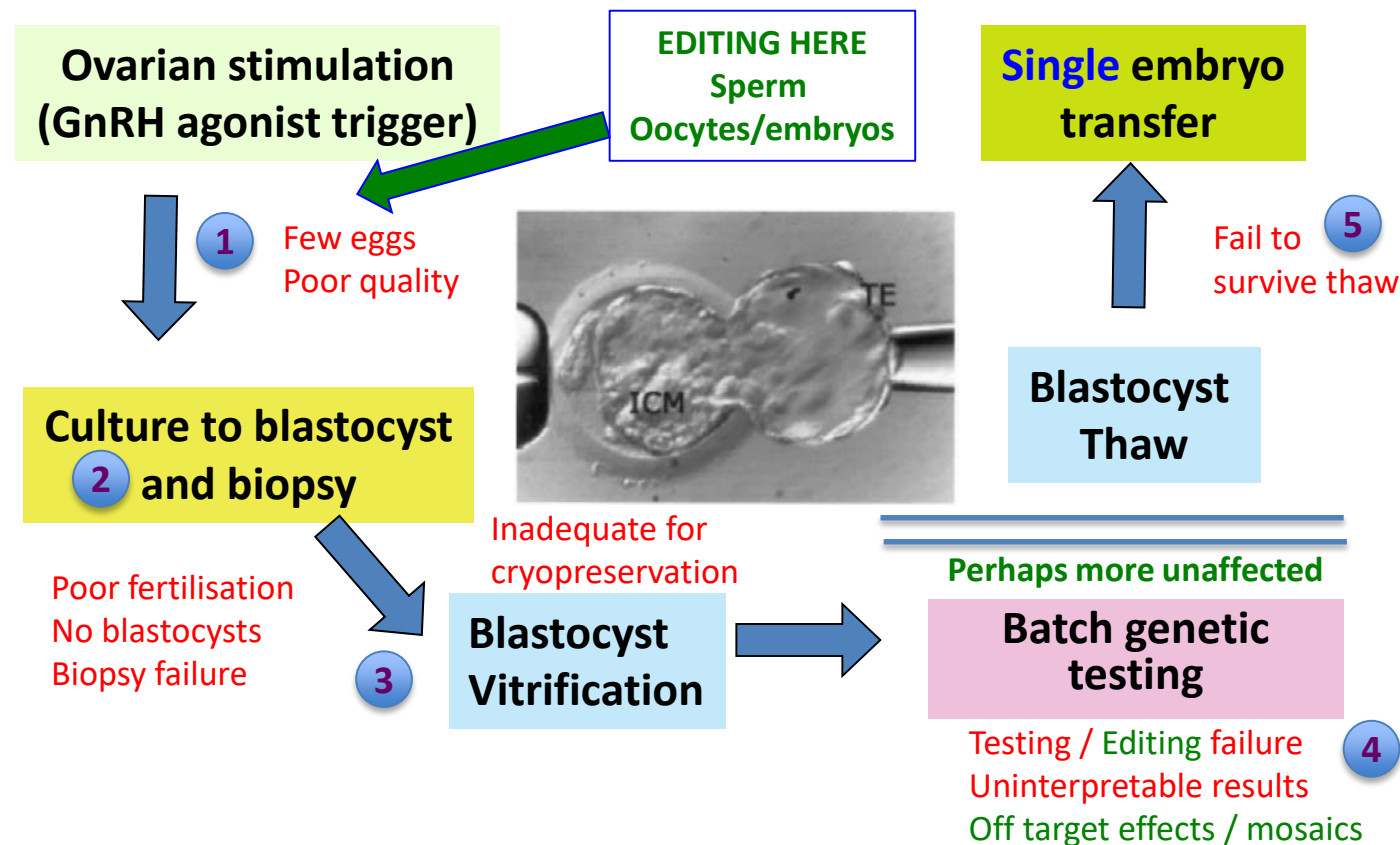
42 % per couple starting
63 % per couple reaching transfer

Using Genome Editing in ART



From:
Responsible innovation in Human Germline
Gene Editing: ESHG & ESHRE. De Wert et al.,
Eur J Human Genetics 26, 450-470 (2018)

Gene Editing Cycle



Balance of Editing over PGD

Advantages of editing:

- Perhaps more embryos to biopsy
- Perhaps more unaffected for transfer

Disadvantages of editing

- Efficiency of editing will have to be checked
- Reliability of the edit will have to be confirmed
- Off target effects will have to be measured and controlled

Precision & Reliability

Genome Editongue



Summary: PGD vs Editing

- **There are very few inherited conditions where PGD does not offer hope of an unaffected livebirth**
- **At present PGD can be effective if done well and using modern testing methods and without PGS**
- **Factors limiting PGD success generally will be the same as those encountered if gene edited ART undertaken**
- **The possibility of more edited unaffected embryos at the start is likely to be outweighed by the unknown or unintended effects of the edit and risks to the child and future generations**

