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Simposio 6: Time-lapse ¿A dónde podemos llegar?

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09:00 - 09:20 Time-lapse e IA en la selección embrionaria: perspectivas y resultados -

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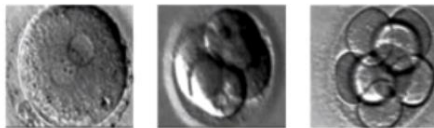
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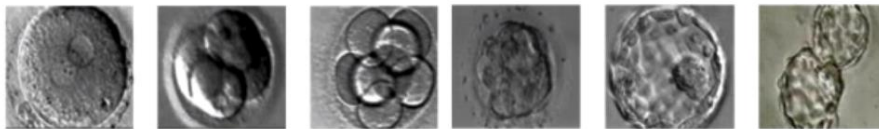
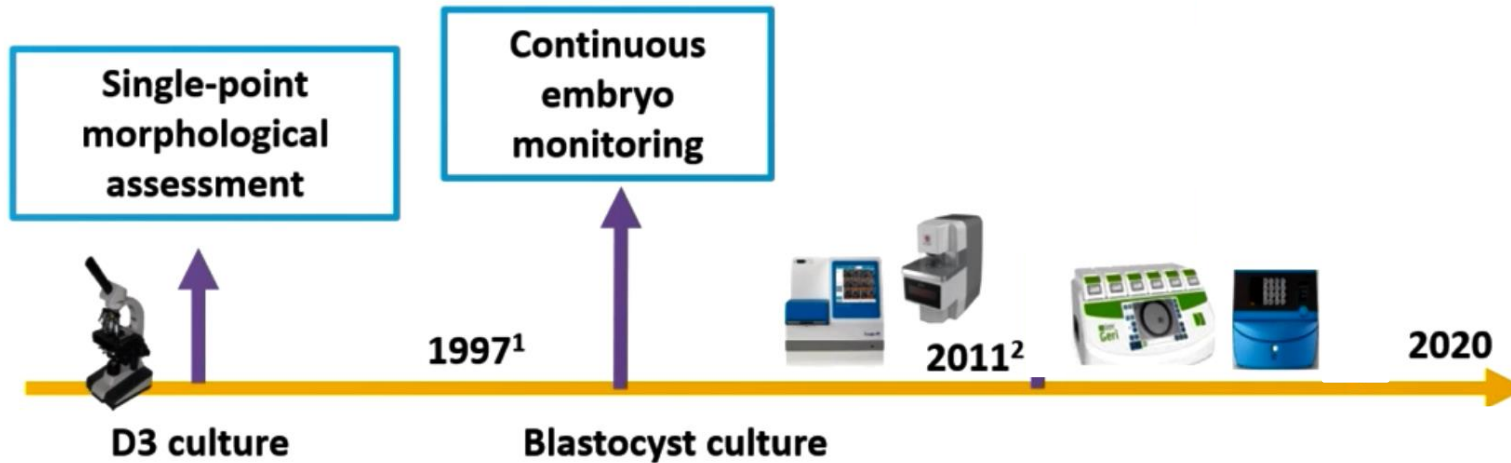


Single-point morphological assessment



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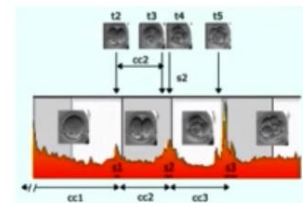
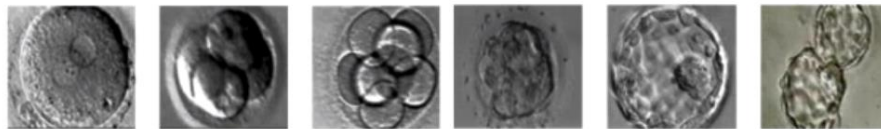
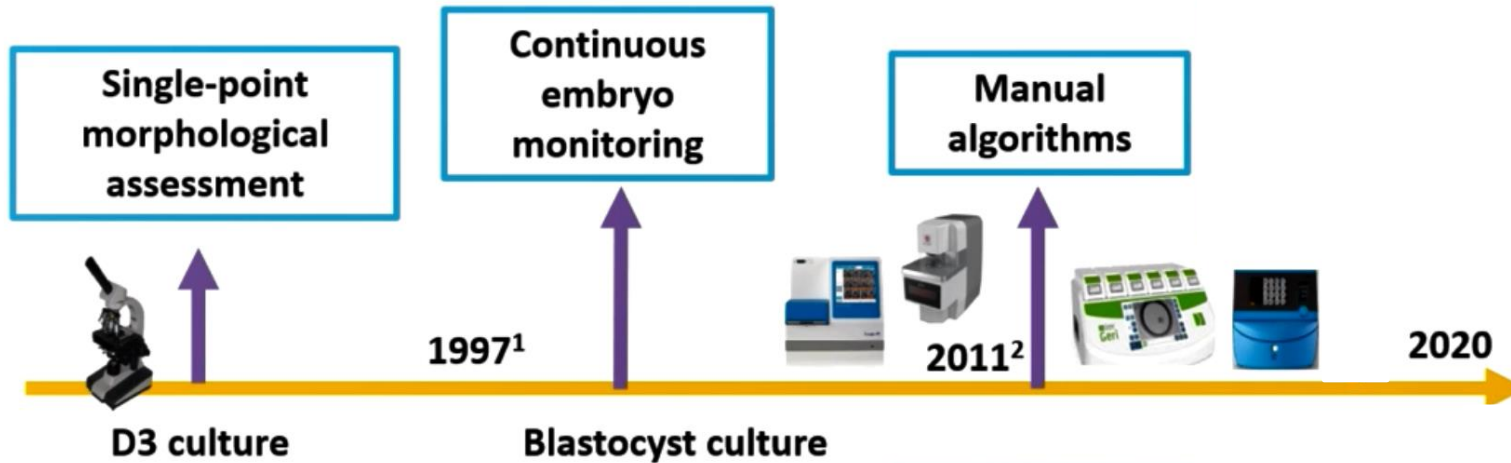
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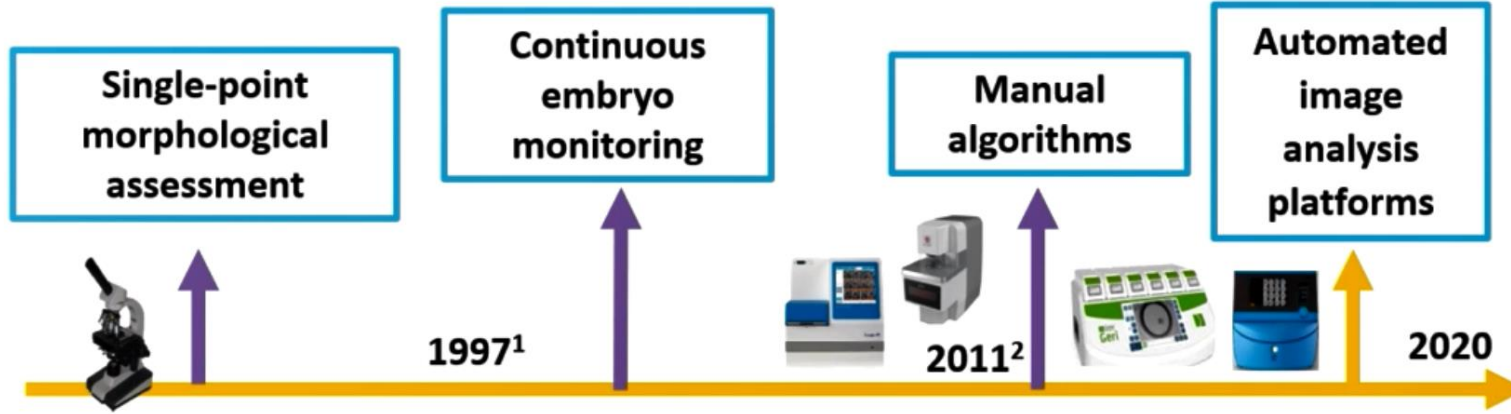
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Single-point morphological assessment

Continuous embryo monitoring

Manual algorithms

Automated image analysis platforms



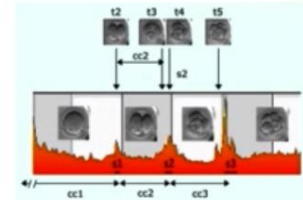
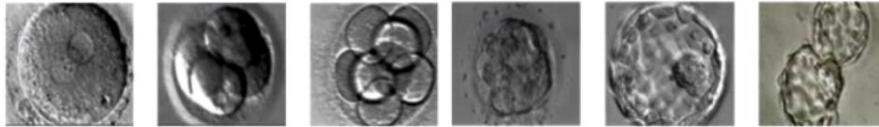
1997¹

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D3 culture

Blastocyst culture



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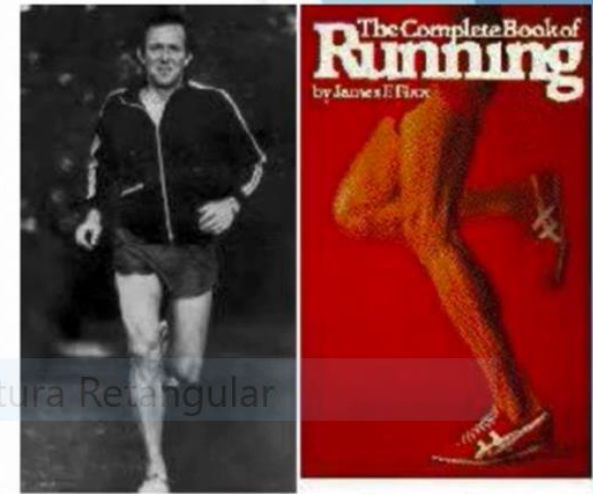
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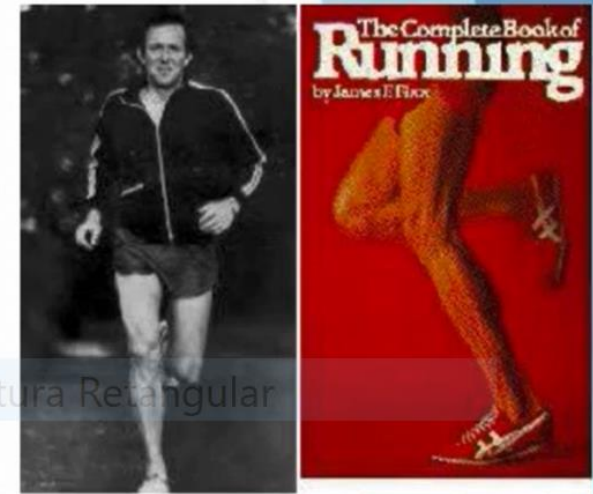
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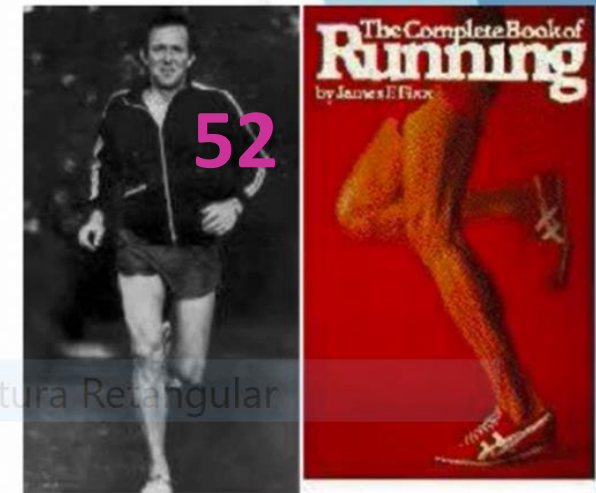
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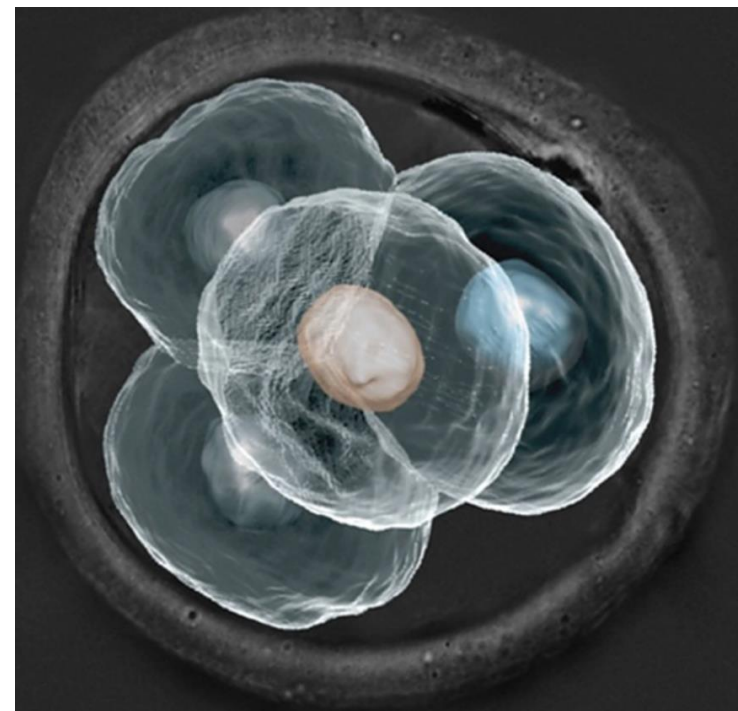


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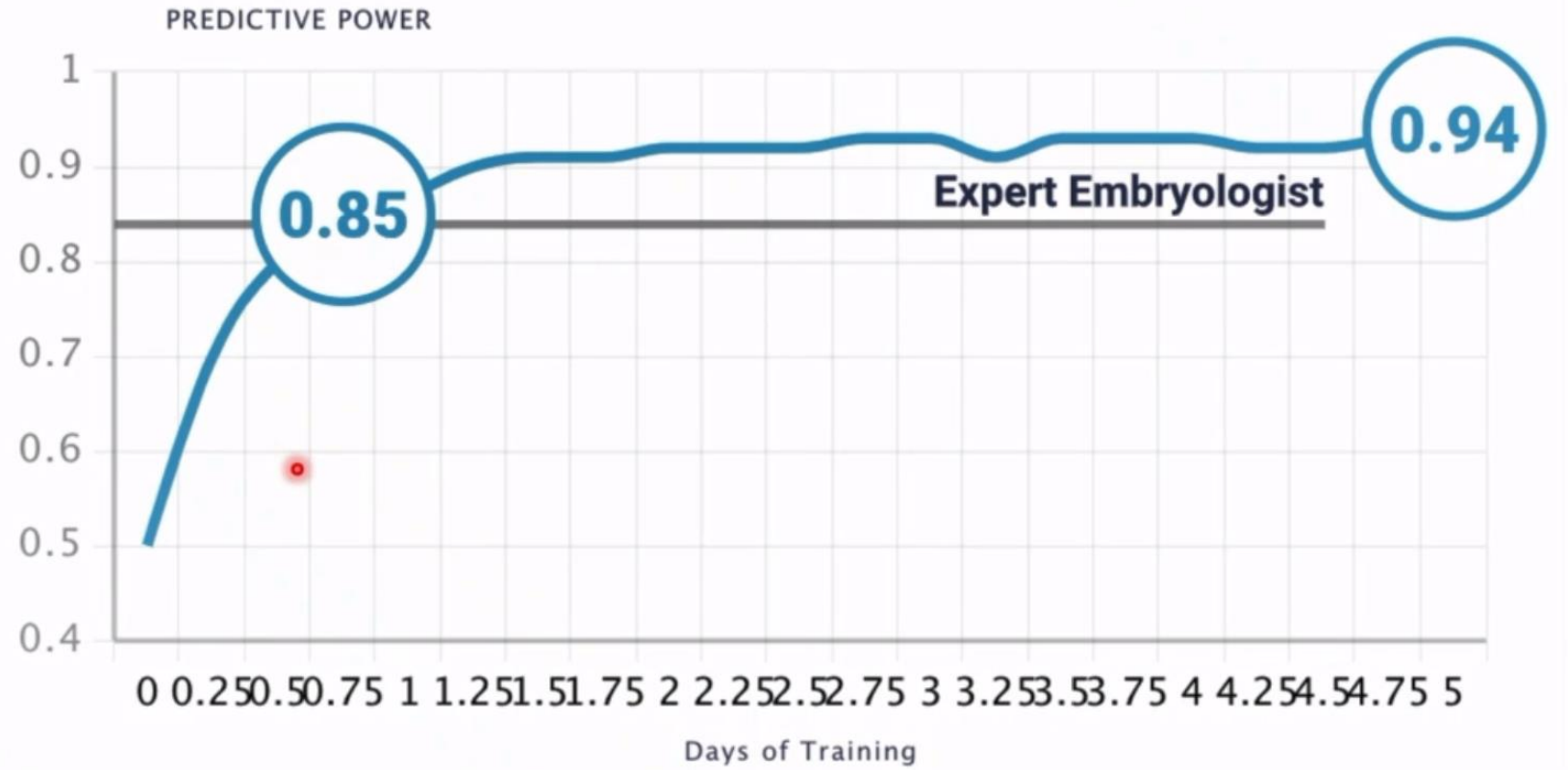
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IA and deep learning – embryo evaluation



AI technology **exceeded expert human embryologists after only one day** of training

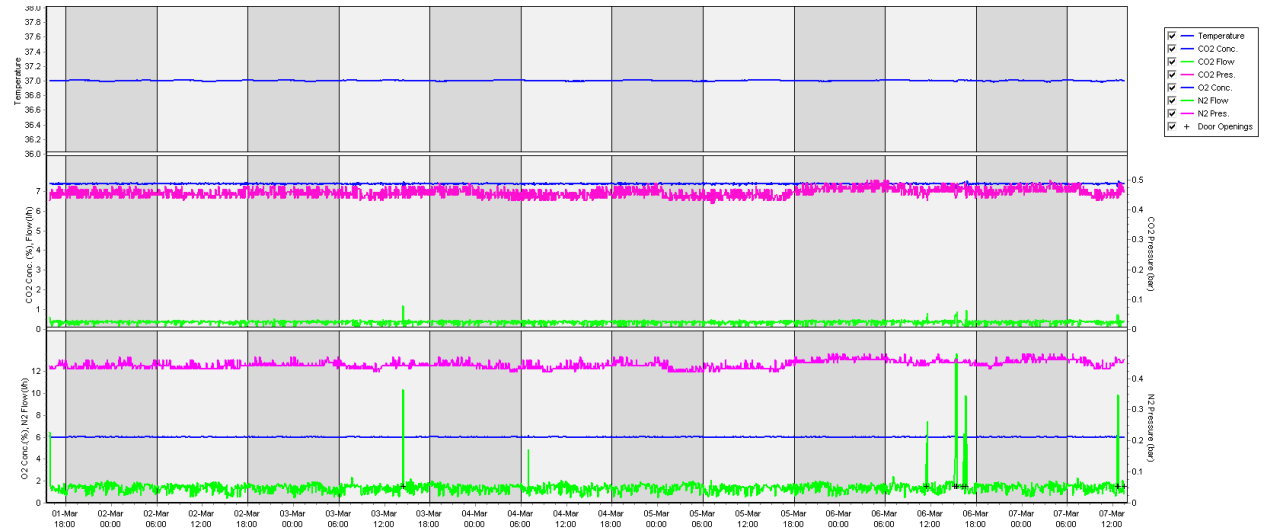


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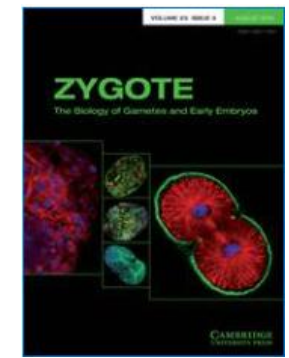
AMBIENTE DE CULTIVO SEGURO PARA OS EMBRIÕES



- Temperatura
- CO₂ / O₂
- pH
- VOC
- Coleção de imagens
- Alarme

Summary	Alarms	Warnings	Log	Other		
Variable	Unit	Average	Min	Max	StdDev	Set-Point
Temperature	C	37.00	36.98	37.02	0.007	37.0
CO2 Concentration	%	7.38	7.25	7.46	0.032	7.4
CO2 Flow	l/h	0.36	0.01	0.60	0.096	0.0
CO2 Pressure	bar	0.46	0.42	0.50	0.016	0.0
O2 Concentration	%	6.01	5.97	6.15	0.011	6.0
N2 Flow	l/h	1.38	0.45	6.45	0.361	0.0
N2 Pressure	bar	0.44	0.42	0.48	0.013	0.0

Improved embryonic development and utilization rates with EmbryoScope: a within-subject comparison versus a benchtop incubator



Edson Borges Jr. *et al*, 2022
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Table 2. Comparison of embryonic development between Control and TLI groups using GzLM followed by Bonferroni post hoc test

Variables	Control group (<i>n</i> = 71)	TLI group (<i>n</i> = 71)	<i>P</i> -value
Normal fertilization (%)	74.8 ± 2.7 (69.6–80.1)	77.4 ± 2.7 (72.2–82.6)	0.499
Abnormal fertilization (%)	6.2 ± 1.5 (3.1–9.2)	6.8 ± 1.5 (3.8–9.8)	0.767
Non-fertilization (%)	16.8 ± 2.1 (12.7–20.8)	11.9 ± 2.1 (7.8–15.9)	0.098
Oocyte degeneration post injection (%)	2.2 ± 1.3 (0.22–4.7)	3.9 ± 1.3 (1.4–6.3)	0.352
Day-2 non-cleavage (%)	3.8 ± 0.2 (3.3–4.3)	1.1 ± 0.1 (0.9–1.3)	<0.001
Cleavage (%)	85.3 ± 1.2 (83.0–87.7)	84.2 ± 1.3 (81.7–86.8)	0.521
Day-5 embryos (%)	62.4 ± 1.0 (60.5–64.3)	86.4 ± 1.1 (84.2–88.6)	<0.001
Blastocyst development (%)	40.9 ± 1.1 (38.8–43.1)	55.6 ± 1.3 (53.1–58.1)	<0.001
Frozen blastocyst (%)	31.8 ± 0.8 (30.3–33.3)	37.0 ± 0.9 (35.2–38.9)	<0.001
OUR	40.7 ± 1.0 (38.8–42.7)	50.2 ± 1.1 (48.0–52.4)	<0.001
EUR	52.4 ± 1.1 (50.3–54.7)	66.6 ± 1.2 (64.3–68.9)	<0.001

Note: Values are means ± standard error (95% confidence interval). EUR: embryo utilization rate; GzLM: generalized linear models; OUR: oocyte utilization rate; TLI: time-lapse imaging.

A close-up photograph of a hand holding a rolled-up white card on a red, textured surface. The card is partially unrolled, revealing the Ace of Clubs and the Ace of Diamonds. The background is a blurred red surface.

Is the Embryoscope score a predictive factor for the blastocist development rate?

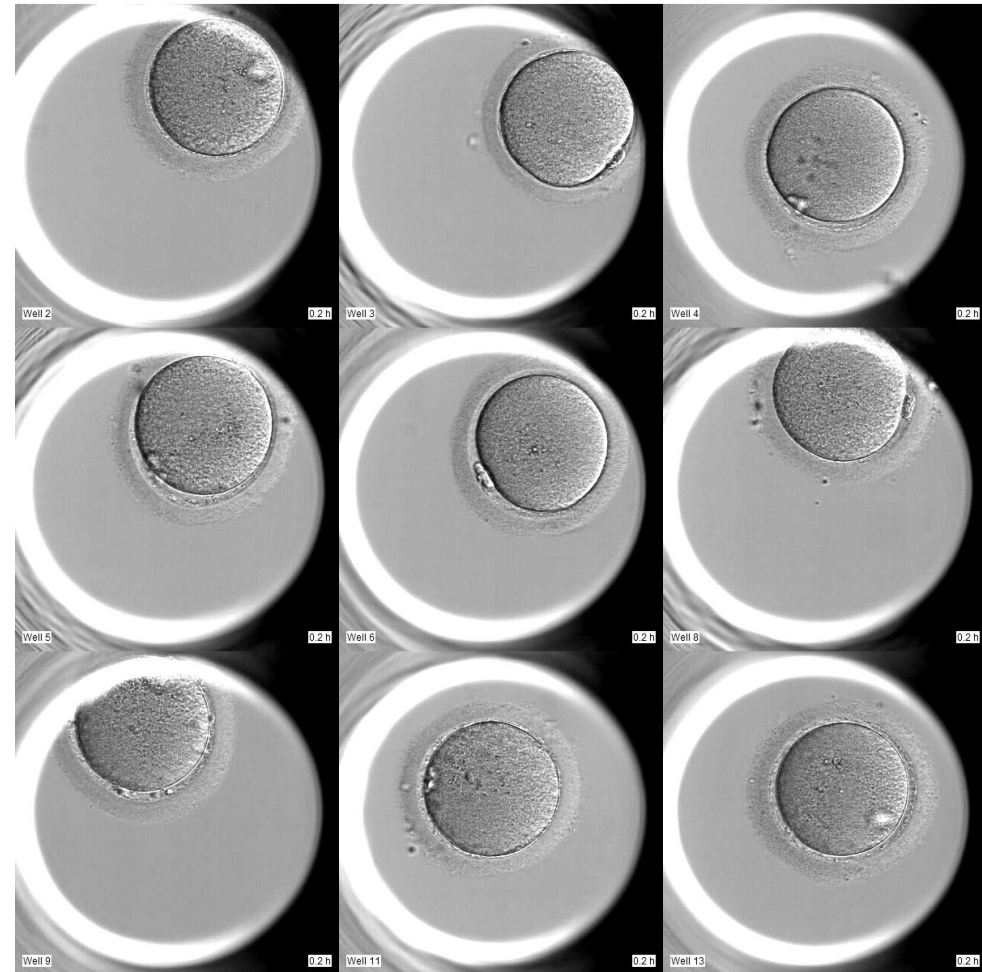
Embryoscope FERTILITY



- 427 ciclos
- 372 pacientes

- ✓ 3.020 ovócitos cultivados
- ✓ 2.398 2PN (79,4%)
- ✓ 1.488 blastocistos: **62,1% 2PN**

- 2018: **49,9% 2PN**



Is the Embryoscope score
correlated **with pregnancy
rate?**



EmbryoScope FERTILITY

ICSI e OVODON					
Variáveis	Convencional (n=764)		Embryoscope (n=119)		p
	Média	DP	Média	DP	
Taxa de fertilização (%)	76,5	25,0	74,4	26,5	0,255
Taxa de blastocisto (%)	59,2	25,0	66,0	25,4	0,003
Embriões transferidos (n)	2,0	0,6	1,2	0,9	<0,001
Taxa de implantação (%)*	24,5	37,3	36,4	42,2	0,006
Taxa de gestação (%)*	34,6		55,7		<0,001
Taxa de aborto (%)*	19,5		12,3		0,001

EmbryoScope FERTILITY

Resultado clínico estratificado por idade	n=504		n=681		
Até 35 anos	Convencional (n=182)		Embryoscope (n=181)		p
	Média	DP	Média	DP	
Taxa de implantação (%)	41.9	5.5	29.8	6.3	0.147
Taxa de gestação (%)	51.6		38.3		0.166
Taxa de aborto (%)	16.1		27.8		0.329
36 a 39 anos	Convencional (n=182)		Embryoscope (n=275)		p
	Média	DP	Média	DP	
Taxa de implantação (%)	29.7	4.9	24.4	4.4	0.421
Taxa de gestação (%)	32.9		37.3		0.576
Taxa de aborto (%)	12.5		7.4		0.542
≥ 40 anos	Convencional (n=140)		Embryoscope (n=225)		p
	Média	DP	Média	DP	
Taxa de implantação (%)	11.1	4.2	21.0	4.5	<0.001
Taxa de gestação (%)	14.1		28.8		0.045
Taxa de aborto (%)	31.3		32.0		0.915



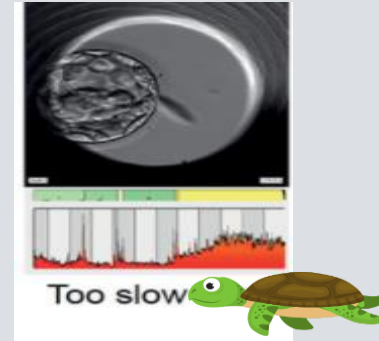
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EmbryoScope FERTILITY

KIDscore D5	$\leq 2,5$	2,6 – 5,0	5,1 – 7,5	$> 7,5$
Taxa de Implantação (%)	24,0 ^a	27,3 ^b	31,4 ^c	37,2 ^d

$a \neq b \neq c \neq d, p < 0,001$

General linear model, função Log linear, distribuição Poisson



DNA fragmentation can
interfere with the speed
and pattern of cell
divisions



Morphokinetic parameter comparison between embryos from couples with high or low sperm DNA fragmentation index

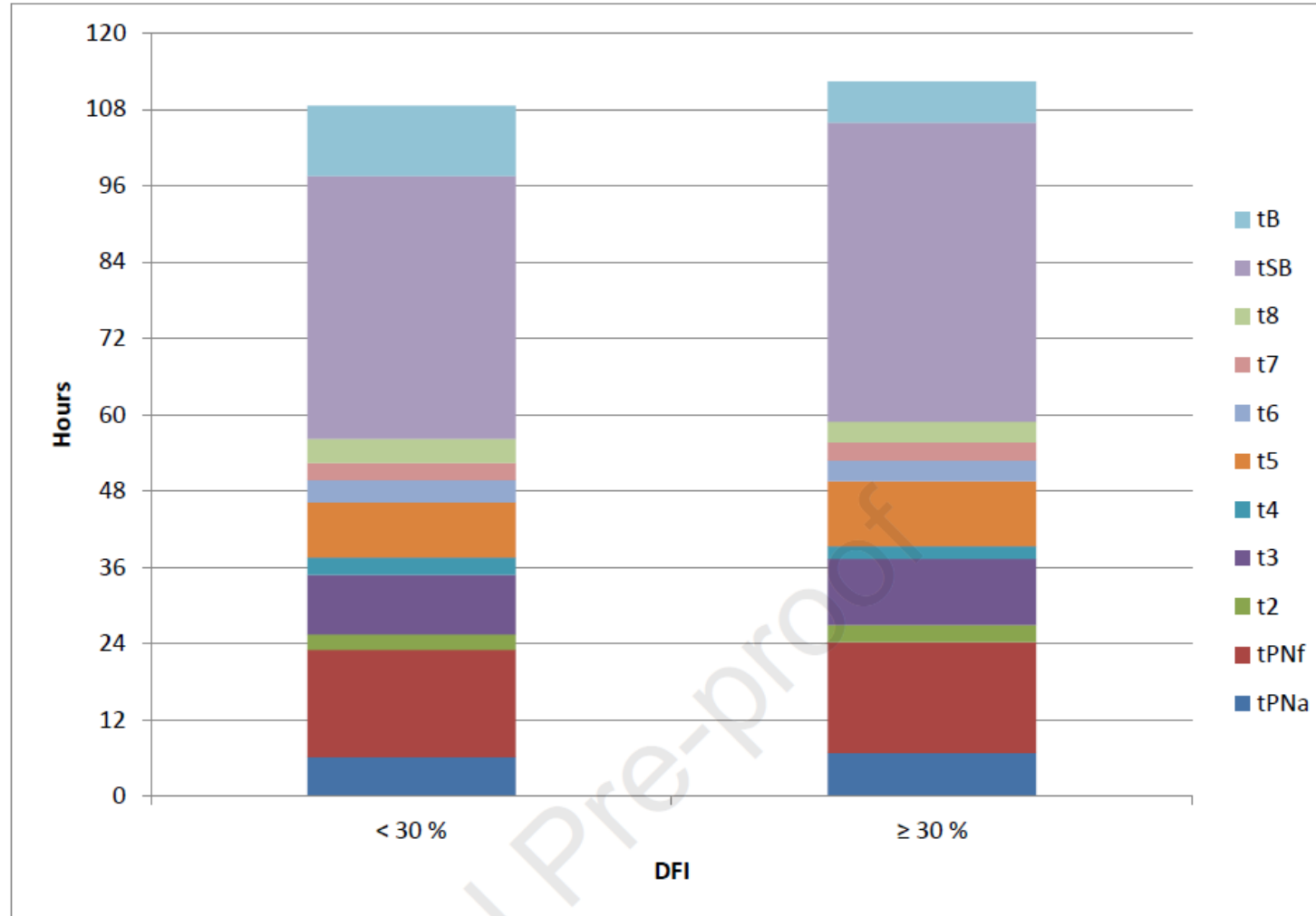
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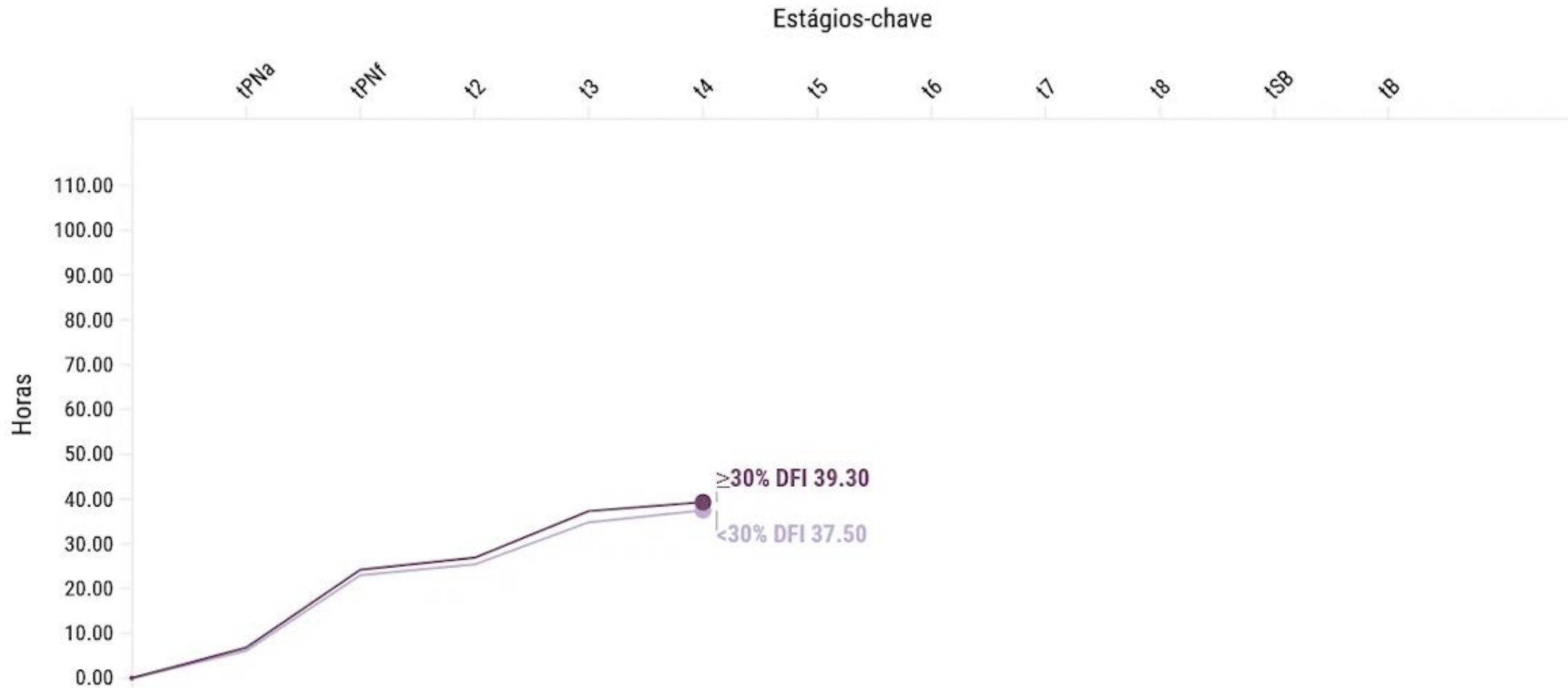
F&S Science (2021), doi: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.xfss.2021.10.001>

- ➔ 118 patients, 978 zygotes, ICSI cycles, idiopathic male factor
- ➔ Morphokinetic markers: time to pronucleus, appearance and disappearance (tPNa and tPNf), time to two (t2), three (t3), four (t4), five (t5), six (t6), seven (t7), and eight cells (t8), and time of onset (tSB) and blastulation (tB).
- ➔ Low (<30%) or high (≥30%) DFI (sperm DNA fragmentation index)
- ➔ Mixed generalized linear models adjusted for potential confounders, followed by *post hoc* Bonferroni test

Table 2. Results from multivariate linear regression analysis followed by Bonferroni post hoc for the comparison of embryo morphokinetics between DFI groups (n=978)

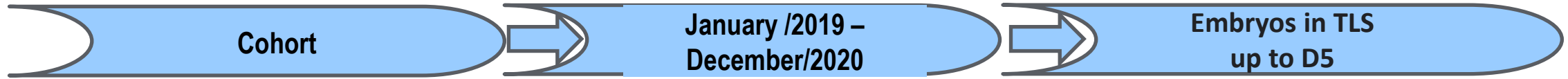


Morphokinetic markers



Use of epididymal spermatozoa in ICSI cycles impacts the morphokinetic of embryos: lessons of time-lapse system

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96 ICSI cycles

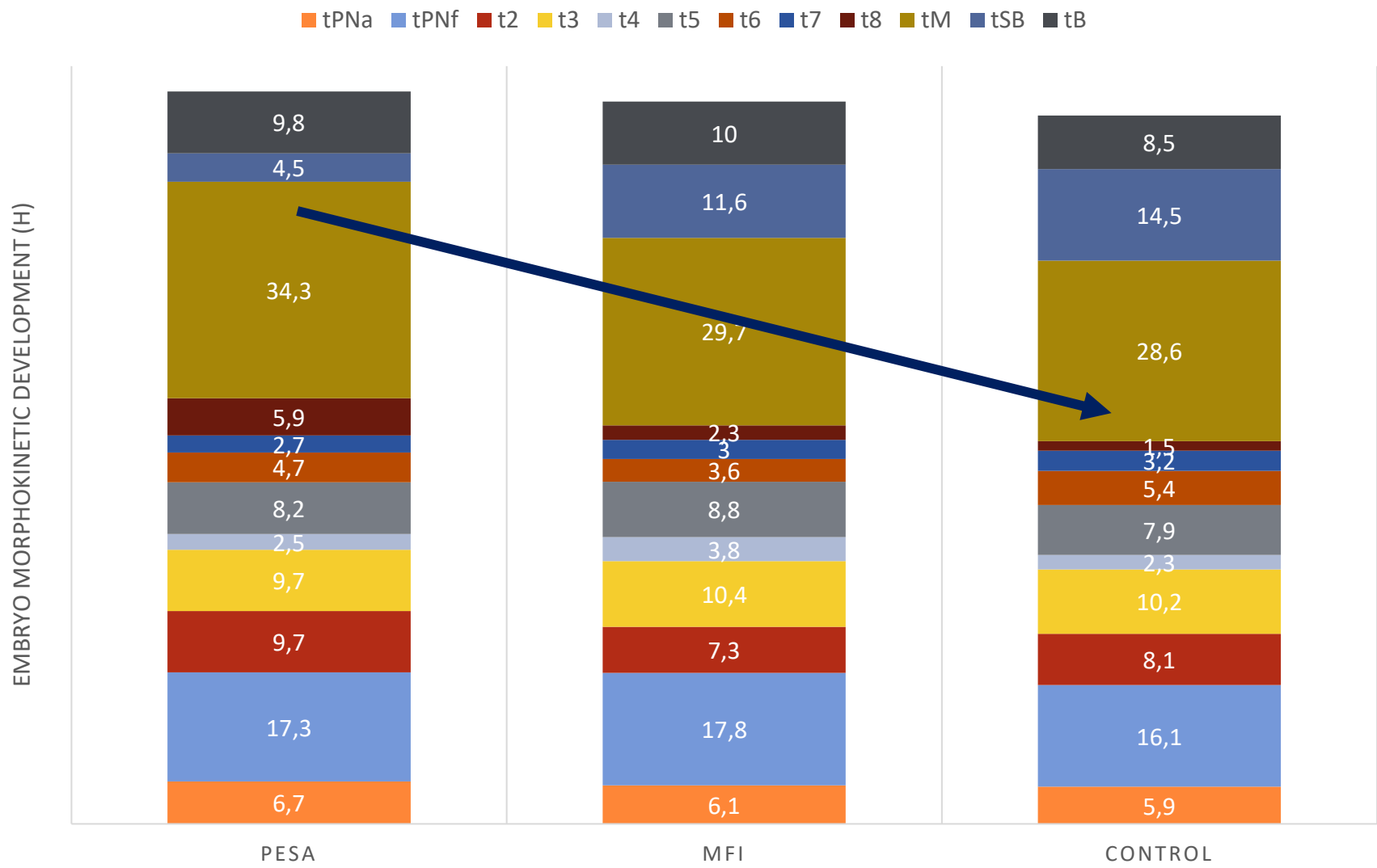
806 embryos

Pairing by maternal and paternal age, number of eggs retrieved and OCE protocol

PESA
32 cycles
276 embryos

Idiopathic MF
32 cycles
284 embryos

CONTROL
32 cycles
246 embryos



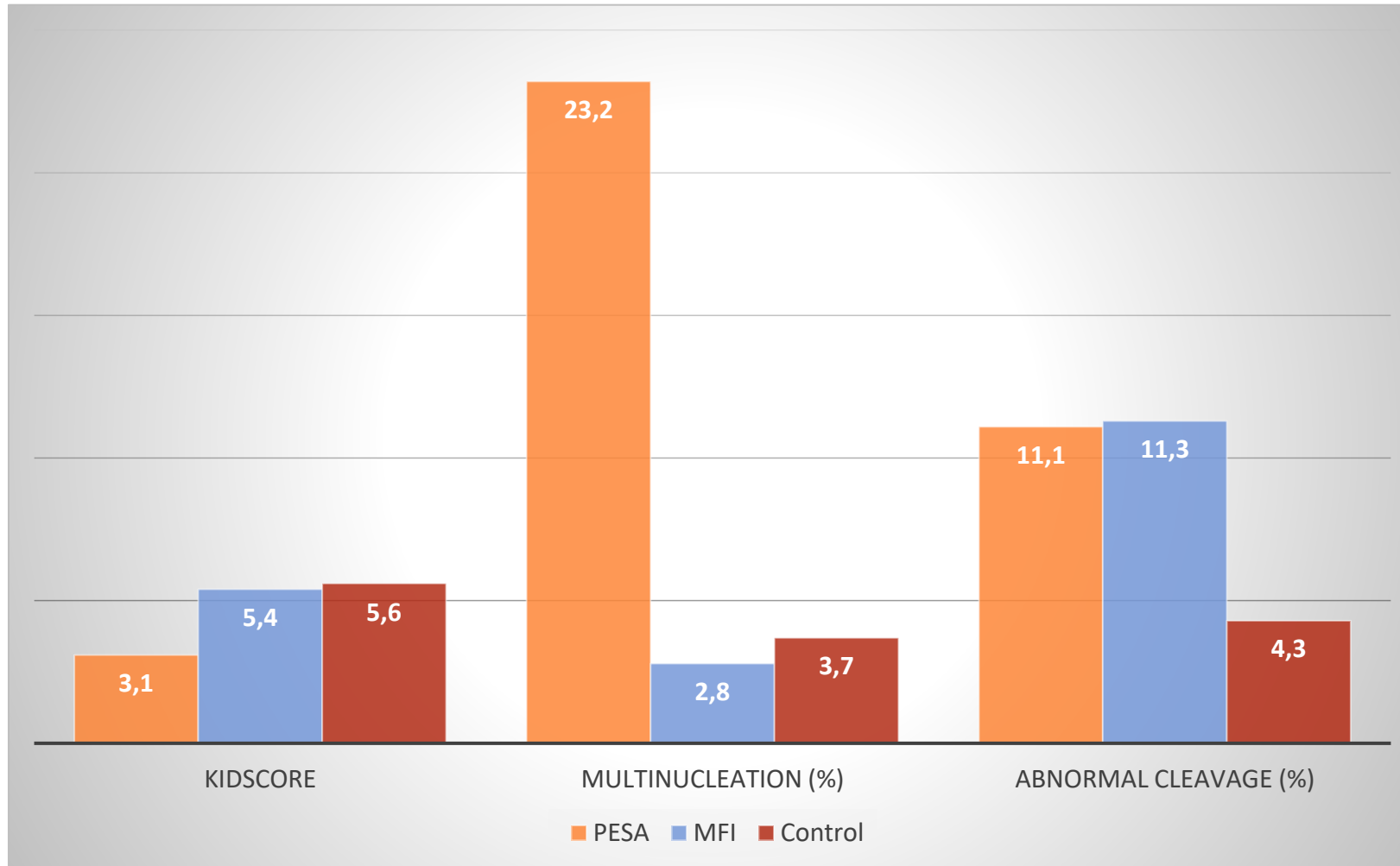
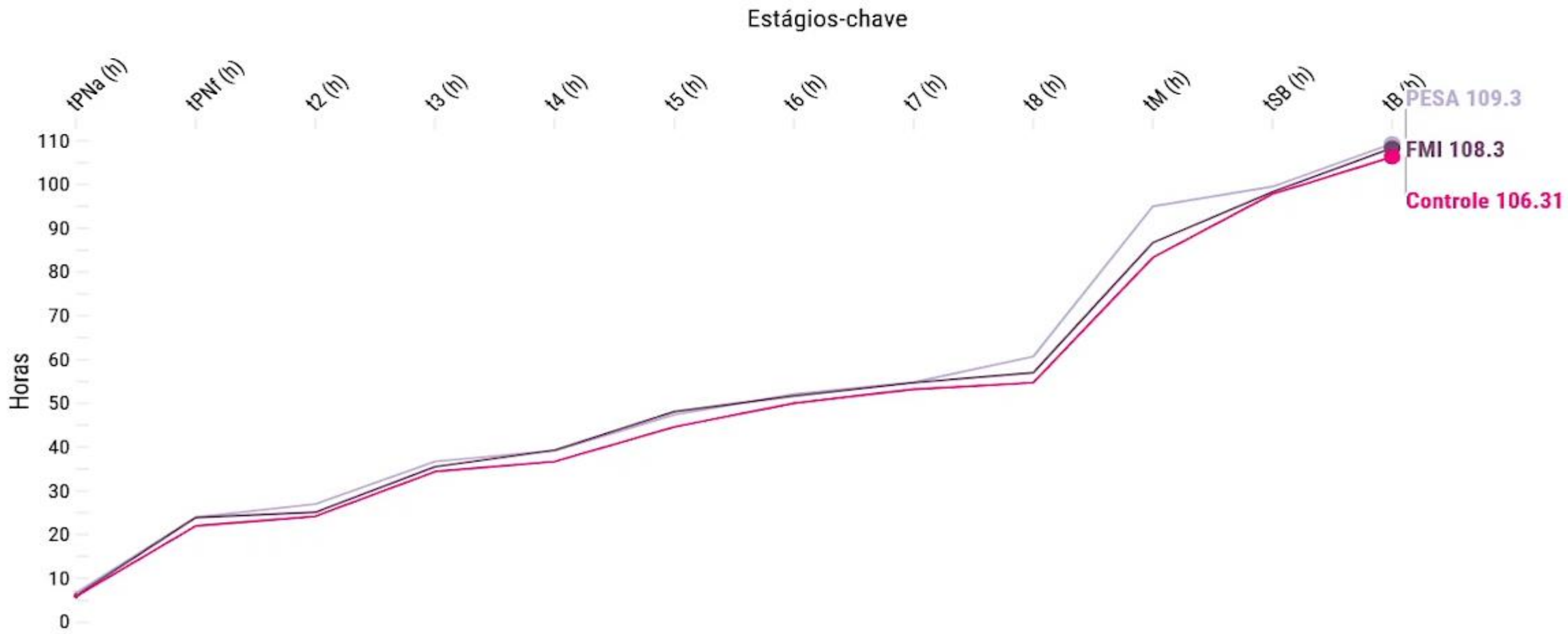


Figure 3. A comparison of KIDScore, and incidences of multinucleation and abnormal cleavage patterns in PESA, MFI and Control groups.

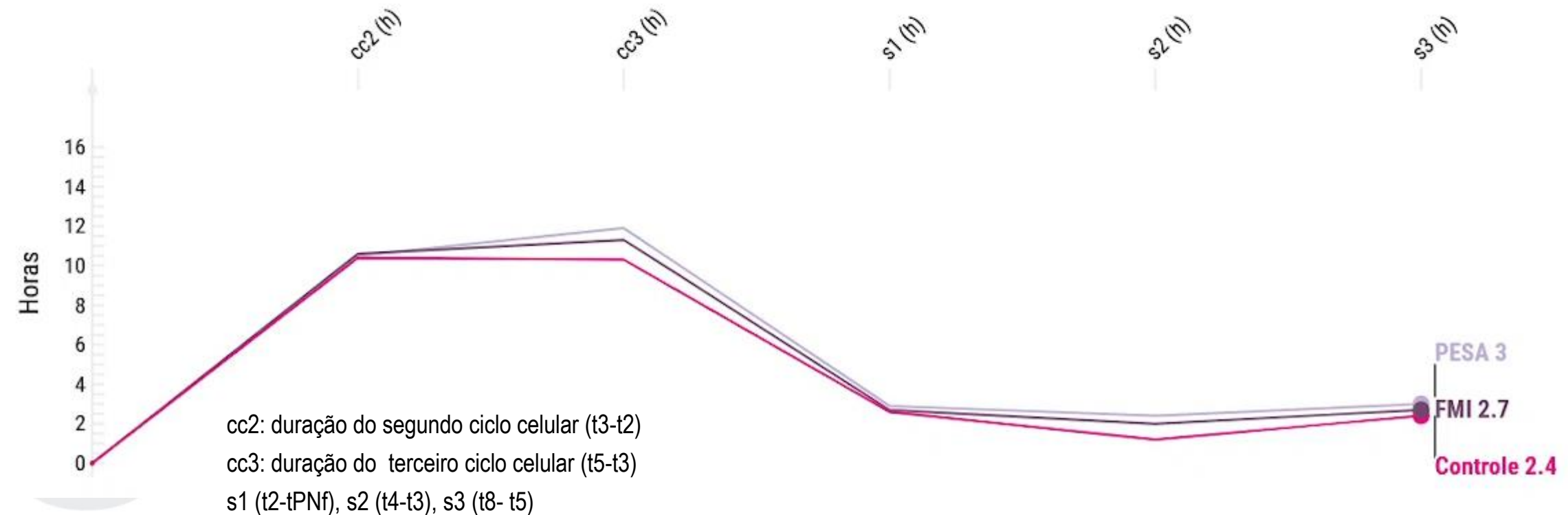
Note: KIDScore – known implantation diagnosis, PESA – percutaneous epididymal sperm aspiration, MFI – male factor infertility.

Behavior of embryos from the PESA, IFM and Control groups in relation to early and late morphokinetics events



Behavior of embryos from the PESA, FM and Control groups in relation to cell cycles and synchronous divisions

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Early and late paternal contribution to cell division of embryos in a time-lapse imaging incubation system

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RESULTS

Variable	Mean \pm SD
Semen analysis	
Male age (years)	41.3 \pm 6.8
Ejaculatory abstinence length (days)	3.2 \pm 2.5



RESULTS

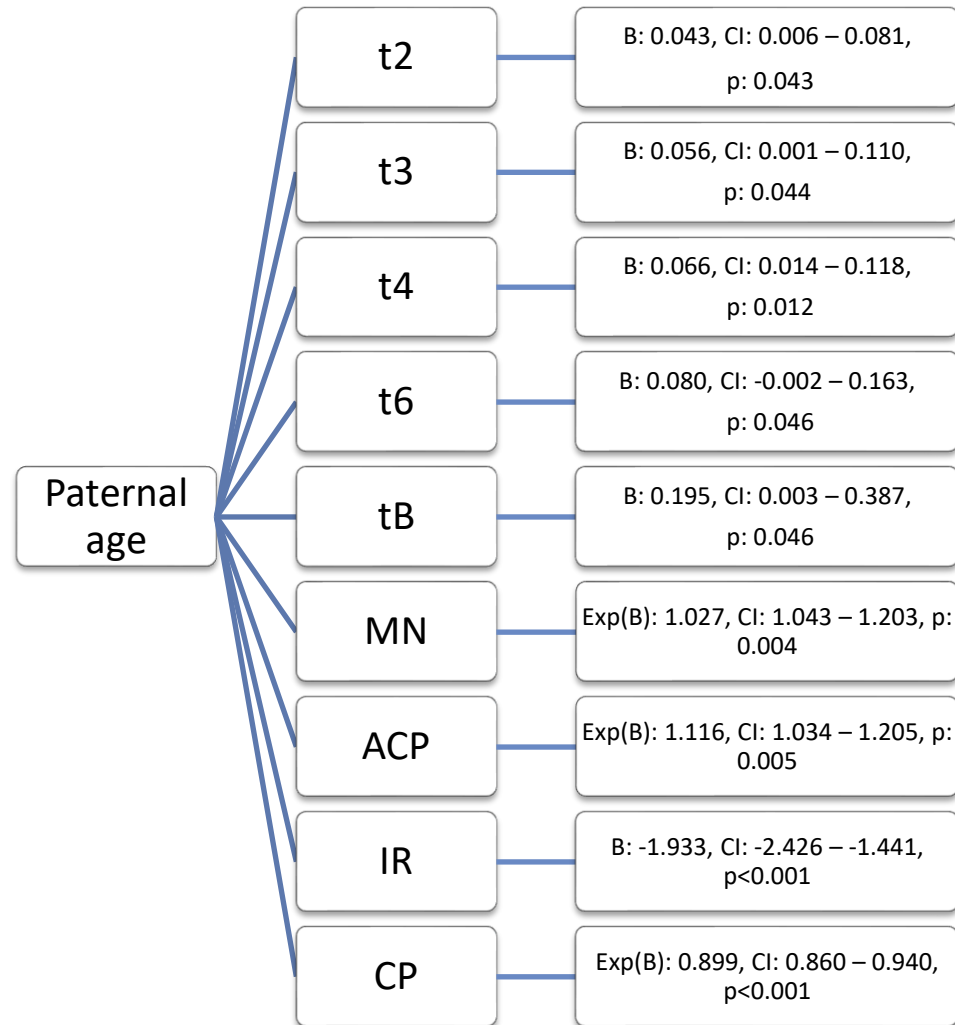


Table 3. Results from regression analysis for the influence of oocyte maturity rate on embryo morphokinetics (n=3368 embryos)

Morphokinetic parameters (h)	B	95% CI	p-value
tPNa	0.053	0.045 – 0.061	<0.001
tPNf	0.081	0.070 – 0.093	<0.001
t2	0.076	0.064 – 0.087	<0.001
t3	0.070	0.056 – 0.084	<0.001
t4	0.070	0.055 – 0.084	<0.001
t5	0.083	0.063 – 0.102	<0.001
t6	0.066	0.047 – 0.086	<0.001
t7	0.076	0.055 – 0.098	<0.001
t8	0.064	0.040 – 0.087	<0.001
tSB	0.090	0.014 – 0.165	0.020
tB	0.043	0.011 – 0.075	0.009
s1	-0.001	-0.004 – 0.003	0.725
s2	0.001	-0.008 – 0.009	0.887
s3	0.004	-0.015 – 0.0240	0.649
cc2	-0.003	-0.013 – 0.007	0.510
cc3	0.018	0.005 – 0.031	0.007

Note: Values are means \pm standard deviation, unless otherwise noted. h – hours, B – Beta coefficient, CI – confidence interval, tPNa – timing to pronuclei appearance, tPNf – timing to pronuclei fading, t2 – timing to two cells, t3 – timing to three cells, t4 – timing to four cells, t5 – timing to five cells, t6 – timing to six cells, t7 – timing to seven cells, t8 – timing to eight cells, tSB – timing to start blastulation, tB – timing to blastulation, s1 – timing to complete t2-tPNf synchronous divisions, s2 – timing to complete t4-t3 synchronous divisions, s3 – timing to complete t8-t5 synchronous divisions, cc2 – duration of the second cell cycle (t3-t2), cc3 – duration of third cell cycle (t5-t3).

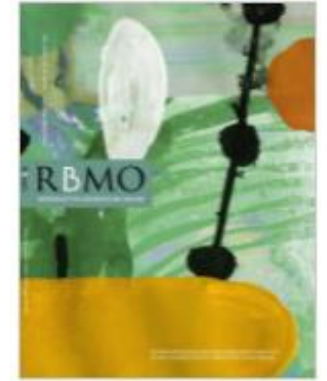
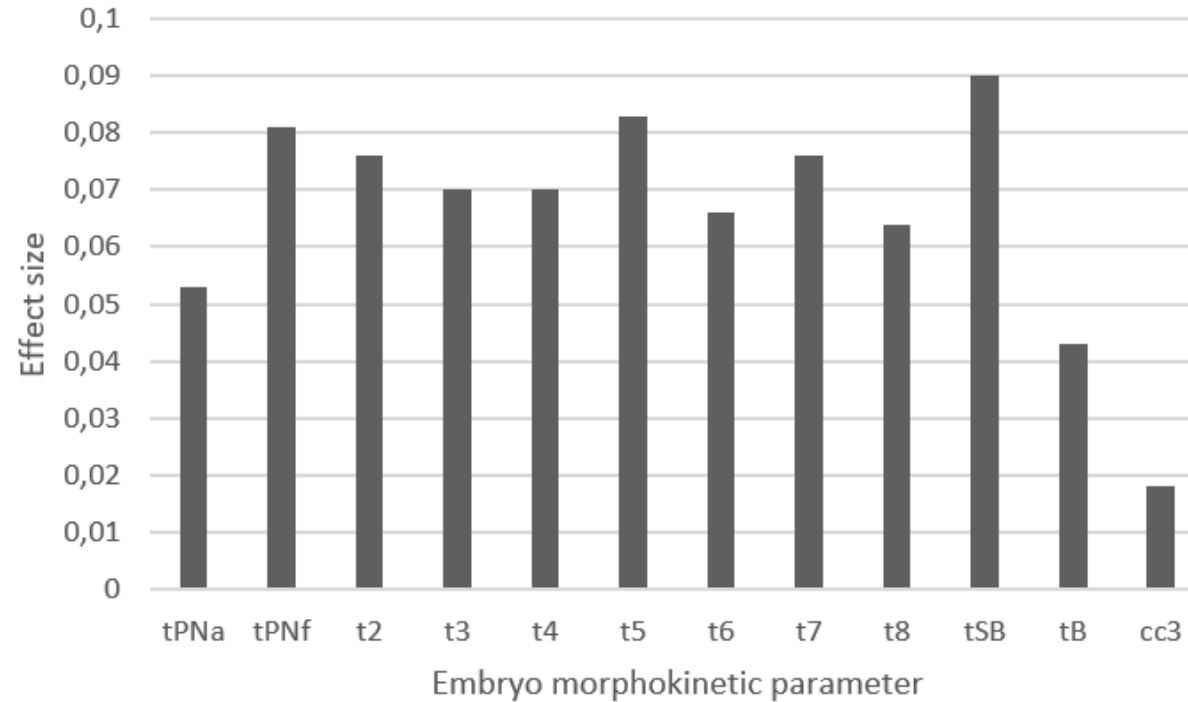


High oocyte immaturity rates affect embryo morphokinetics: lessons of time-lapse imaging system

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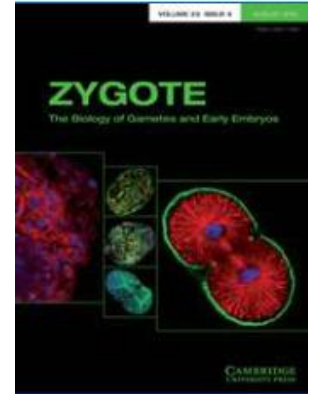
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Figure 2. Illustration of cumulative delayed morphokinetic development in MII inseminated oocytes derived from cohorts with high proportion of immature sibling oocytes.



Table 3. Results from regression analysis for the influence of serum AMH concentration levels on embryo morphokinetics (n=114 cycles and 902 embryos)

Morphokinetic parameters (h)	B	95% CI	p-value
tPNa	0.251	-0.315 – 0.816	0.385
tPNf	-0.047	-0.071 – -0.024	<0.001
t2	-0.028	-0.056 – 0.001	0.057
t3	-0.070	-0.102 – -0.039	<0.001
t4	-0.080	-0.114 – -0.046	<0.001
t5	-0.075	-0.123 – -0.028	0.002
t6	-0.105	-0.147 – -0.064	<0.001
t7	-0.120	-0.165 – -0.075	<0.001
t8	-0.170	-0.220 – -0.119	<0.001
tSB	-4.898	-12.208 – 2.412	0.189
tB	-0.153	-0.224 – -0.082	<0.001
s1	-0.274	-0.686 – 0.137	0.191
s2	-0.009	-0.027 – 0.009	0.344
s3	-0.086	-0.129 – -0.044	<0.001
cc2	-0.041	-0.062 – -0.019	<0.001
cc3	-0.005	-0.036 – 0.025	0.739



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Figure 1. Illustration of faster embryo morphokinetic development according to increased serum AMH concentration levels

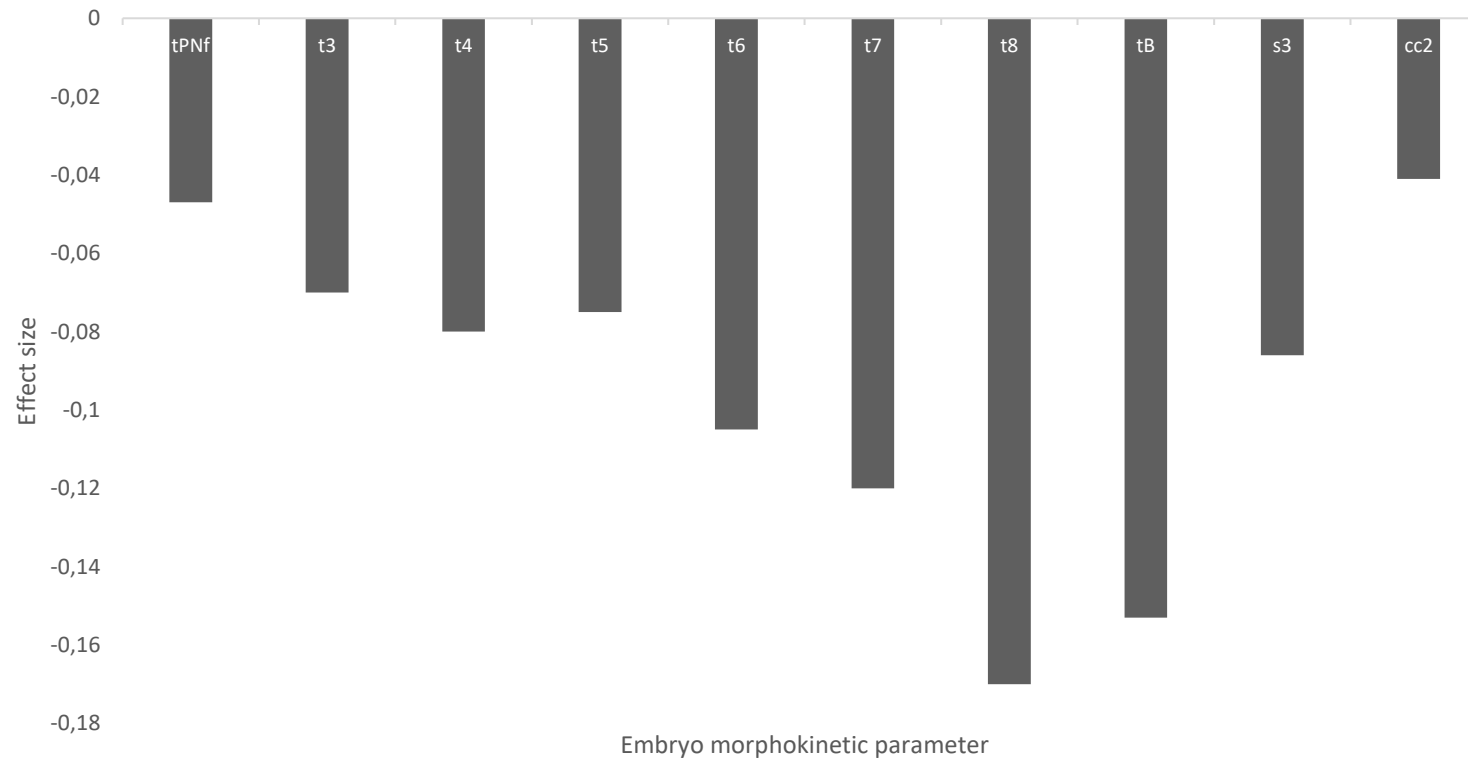


Figure 2. Illustration of the predictive value of AMH on embryos' KIDScore ranking (p=0.023)

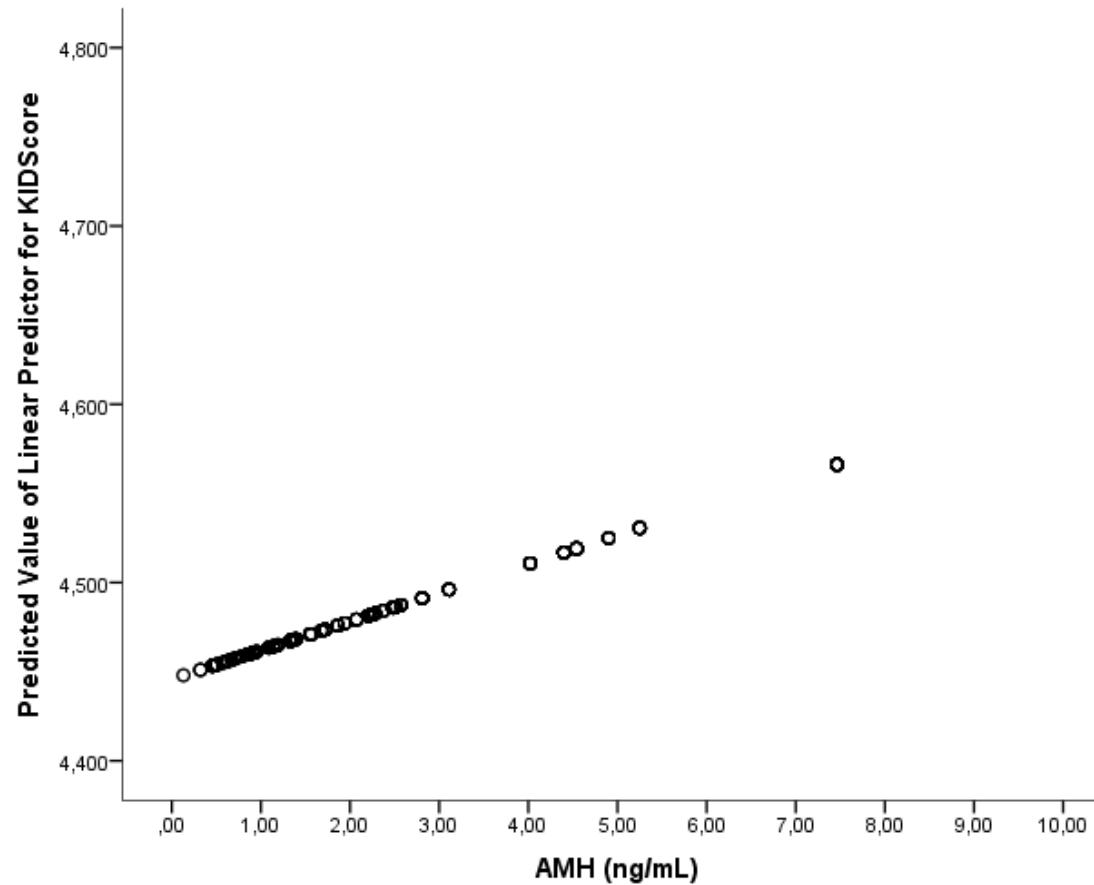
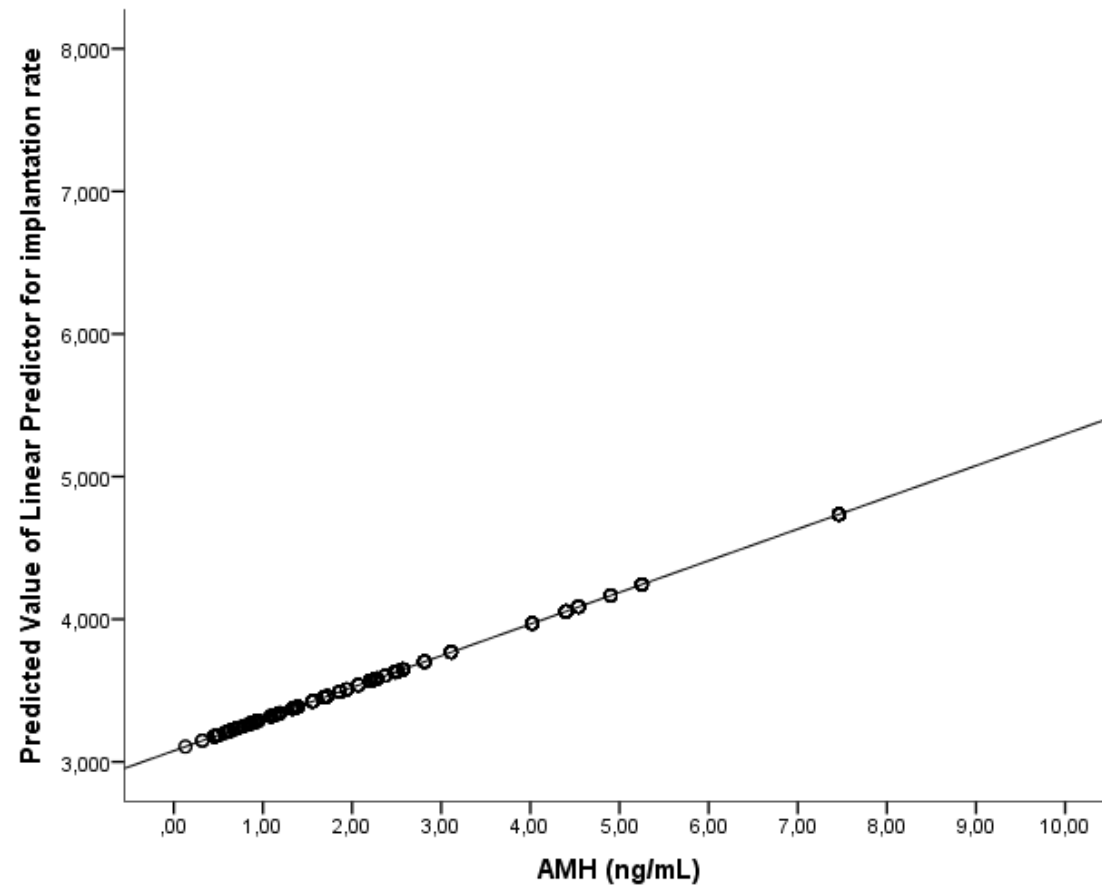
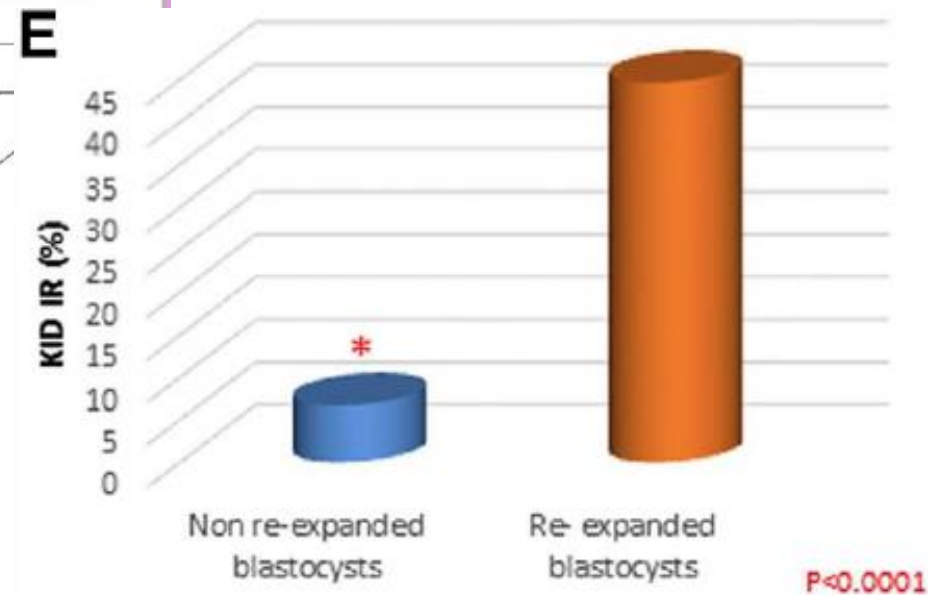
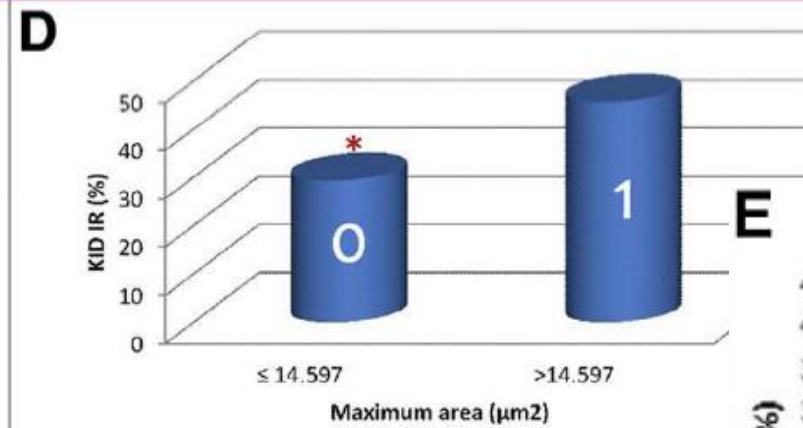
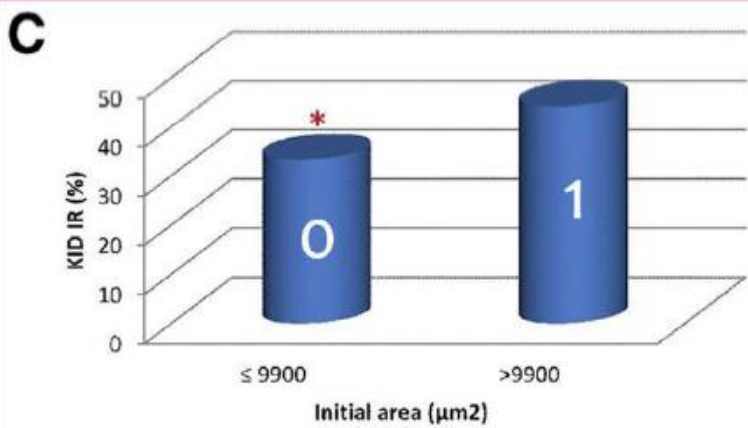
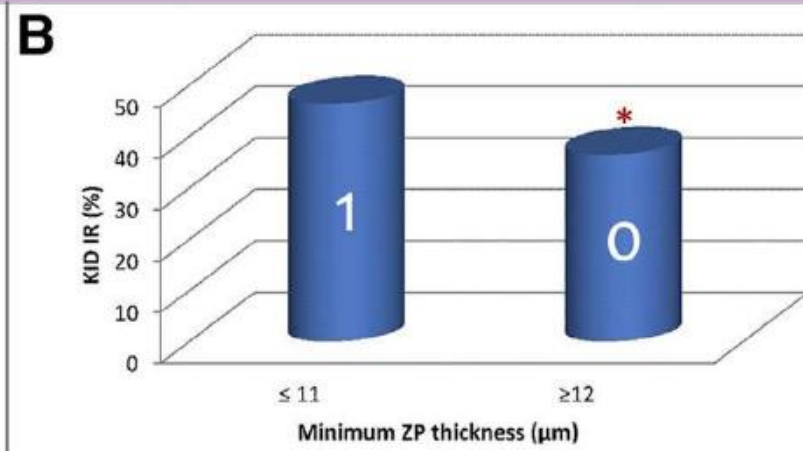
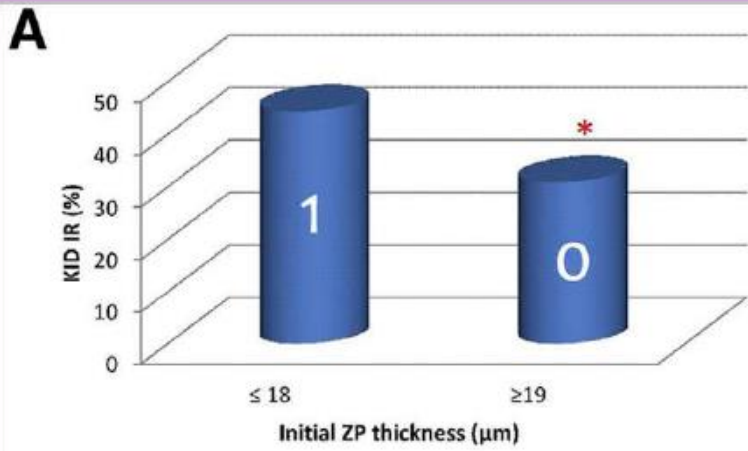


Figure 3. Illustration of the predictive value of AMH on embryos' implantation rate (p<0.001)



Use of the EMBRYOSCOPE in Thaw Embryos





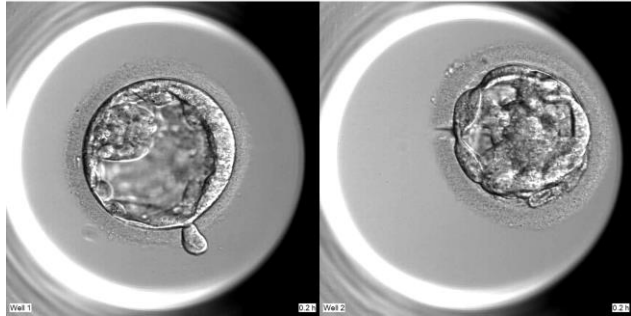
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Blastocyst thaw - EmbryoScope (Fertility)

182 embryos transfer

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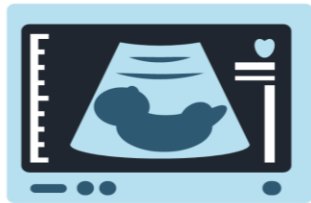
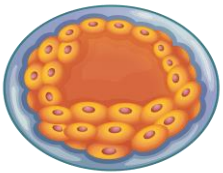


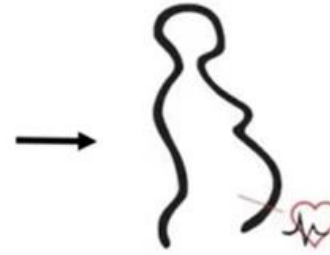
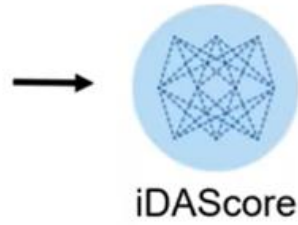
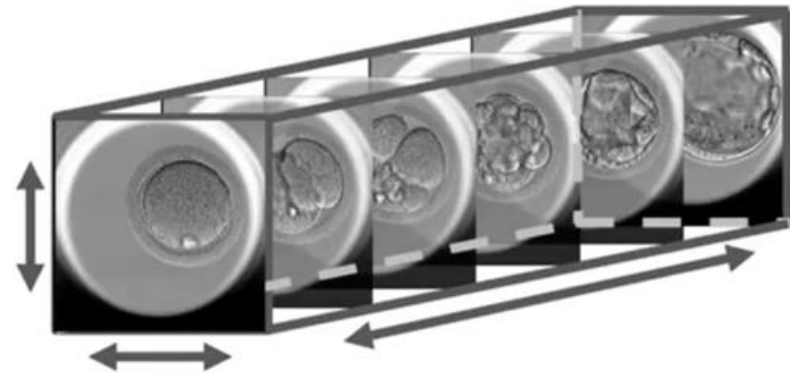
❖ *Post-thaw initial and final blastocyst zona pellucida thickness were negatively associated with implantation* (B: -0.024, CI: -0.029 - -0.018, $p < 0.001$, and B: -0.025, CI: -0.031 - -0.020, $p < 0.001$, respectively).

❖ *Implantation rates were significantly different when cut-off values of 0 or 1 (threshold $11\mu\text{m}$) were attributed to final ZP thickness* (0: $27.7\% \pm 0.4$ vs. 1: $33.8\% \pm 0.7$, $p < 0.001$).

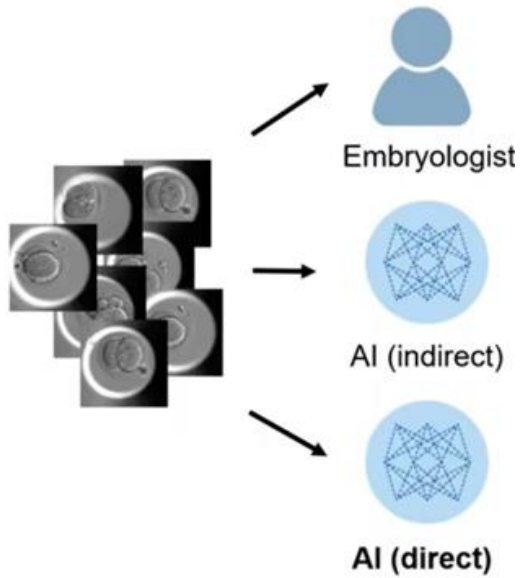
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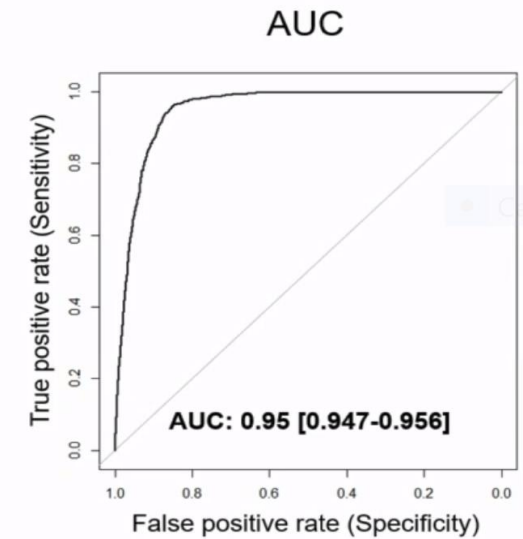




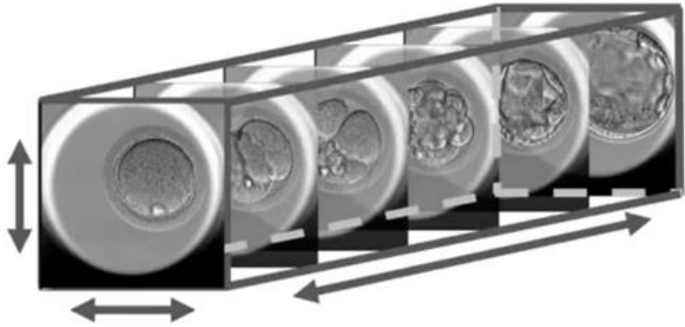
EVALUATING iDAScore



iDAScore	Test
Clinics	18
Embryos	17.249
Positive fetal heartbeat	661
Negative fetal heartbeat	1.551
Discards	15.037



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Make a Decision

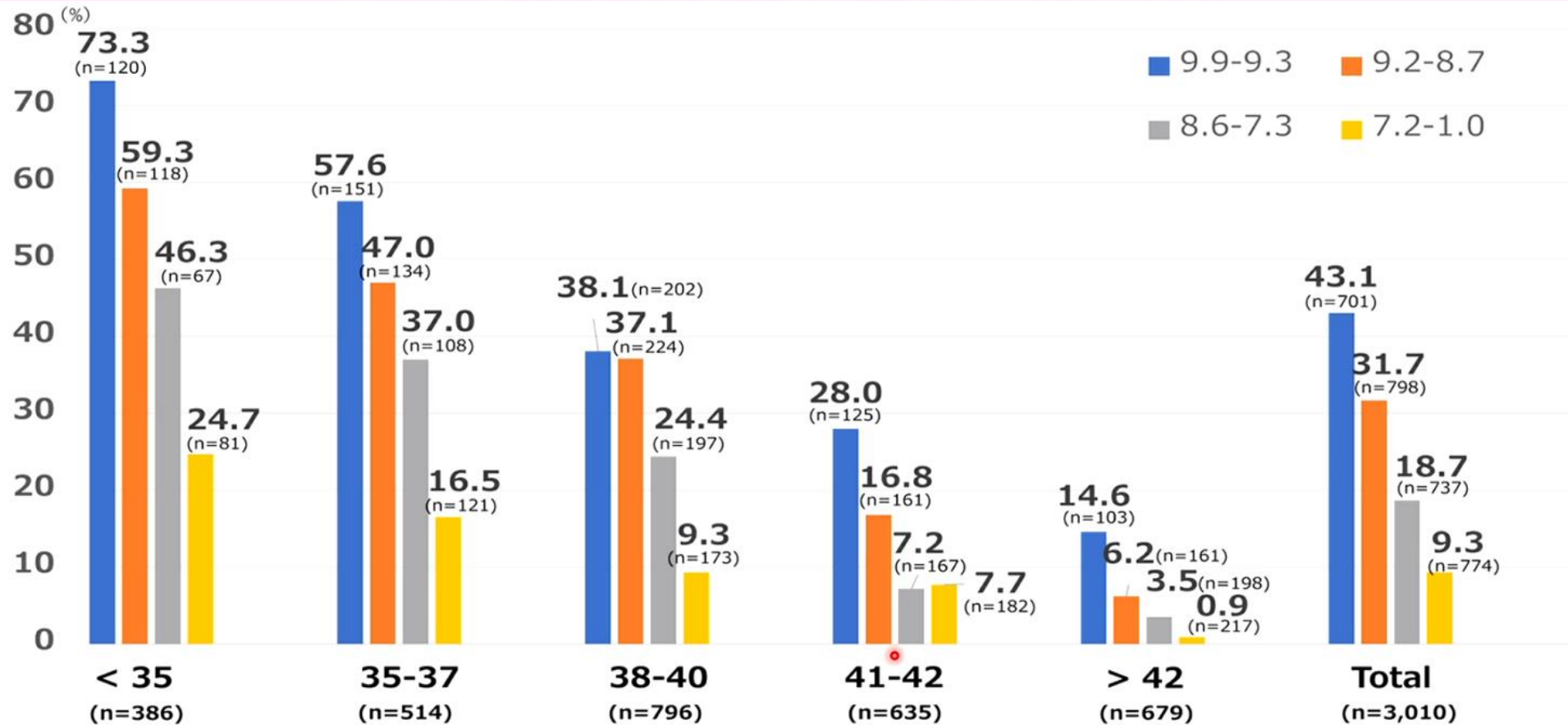
Finalise



Embryos

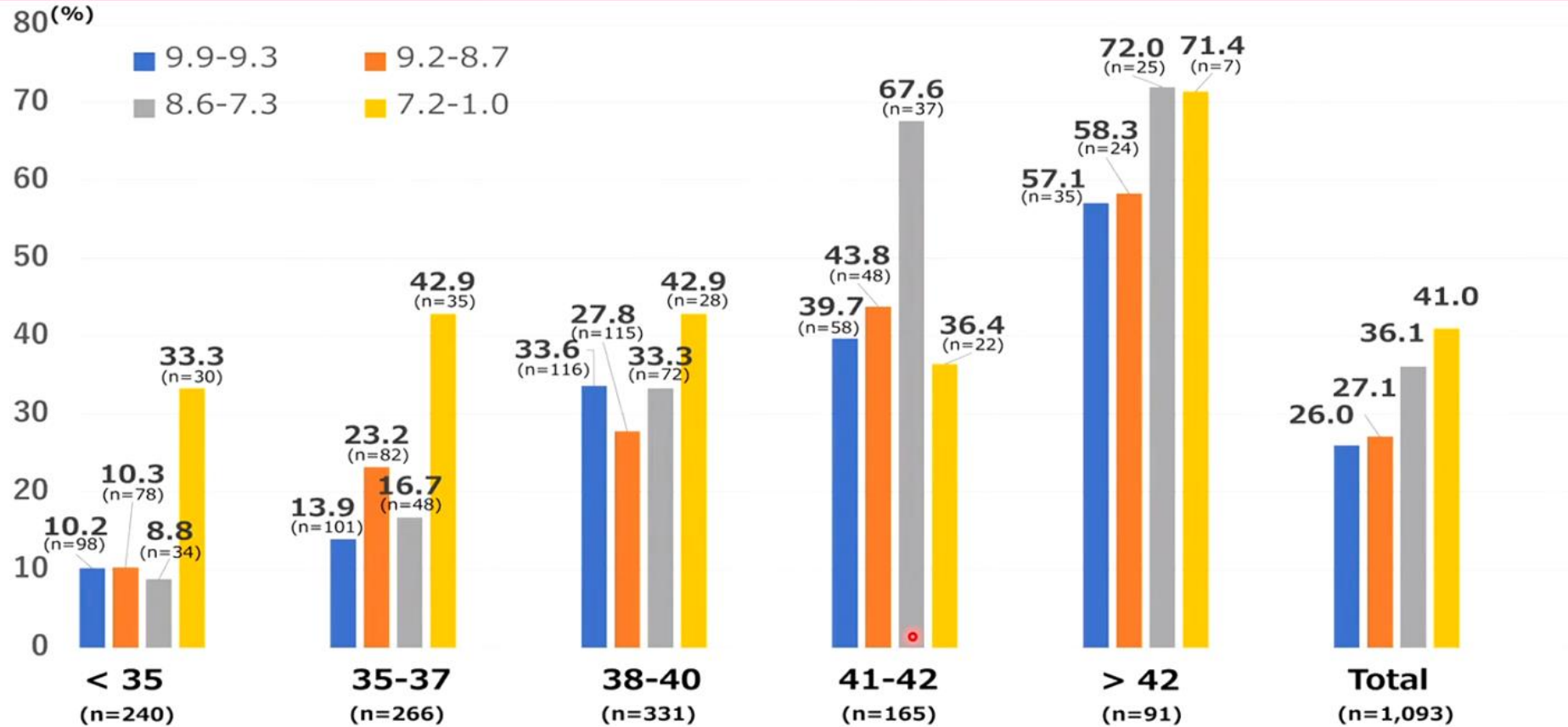
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The correlation between LB rates and each iDAScore group stratified by SART maternal age groups.



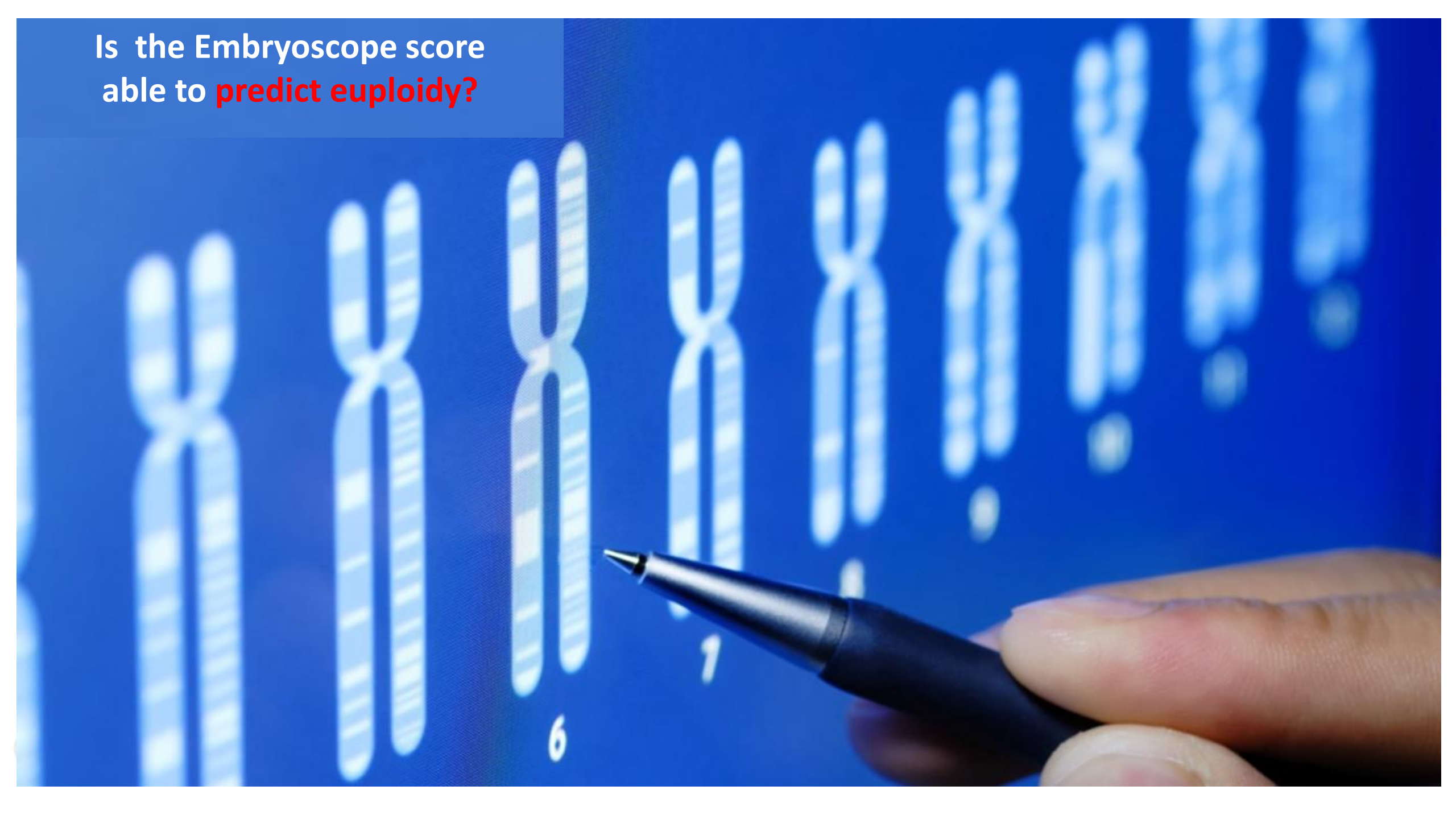
In each maternal age group, LB rates significantly decreased when the iDAScore group decreased (P<0.05)

The correlation between miscarriage rates and each iDAScore group stratified by maternal age

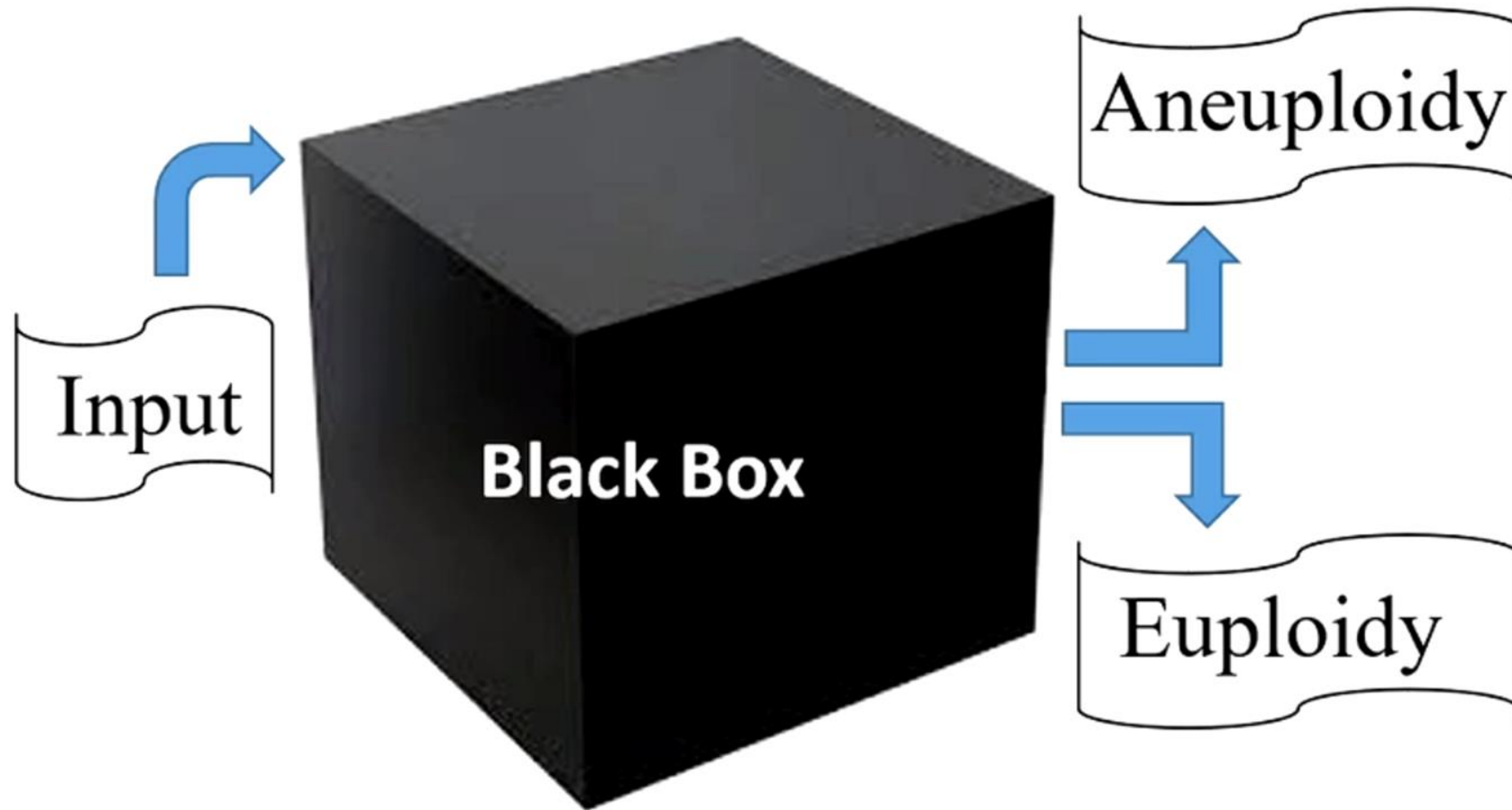


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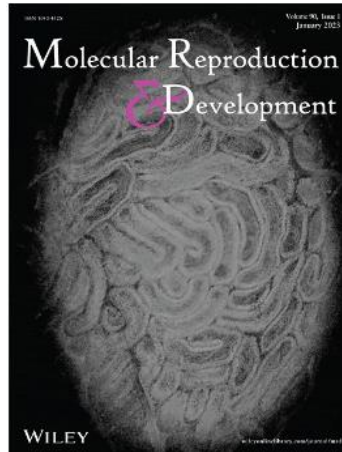
Is the Embryoscope score
able to **predict euploidy?**



● Noninvasive PGT: Current Status



Time-lapse monitoring: an adjunct tool to select embryos for preimplantation genetic testing



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Table 1: General characteristics of patients and laboratory ICSI cycle outcomes (n=316)

	Mean	Std. Deviation
Female age (years)	38.3	3.4
Male age (years)	40.2	5.5
Total dose of FSH	Follitropin alfa (IU)	2615.7
	Follitropin delta (μ g)	152.8
Oestradiol level on hCG trigger (pg/mL)	2127.9	2104.2
Follicles (n)	13.1	8.6
Retrieved oocytes (n)	10.0	7.1
Oocyte yield (%)	76.8	17.0
Mature oocytes (n)	7.7	5.9
Mature oocyte rate (%)	77.4	19.2
Fertilization rate (%)	77.7	19.0
Blastocyst development (%)	53.6	31.4

Note: ICSI – intracytoplasmic sperm injection; FSH– follicle stimulating hormone; hCG – human chorionic gonadotropin

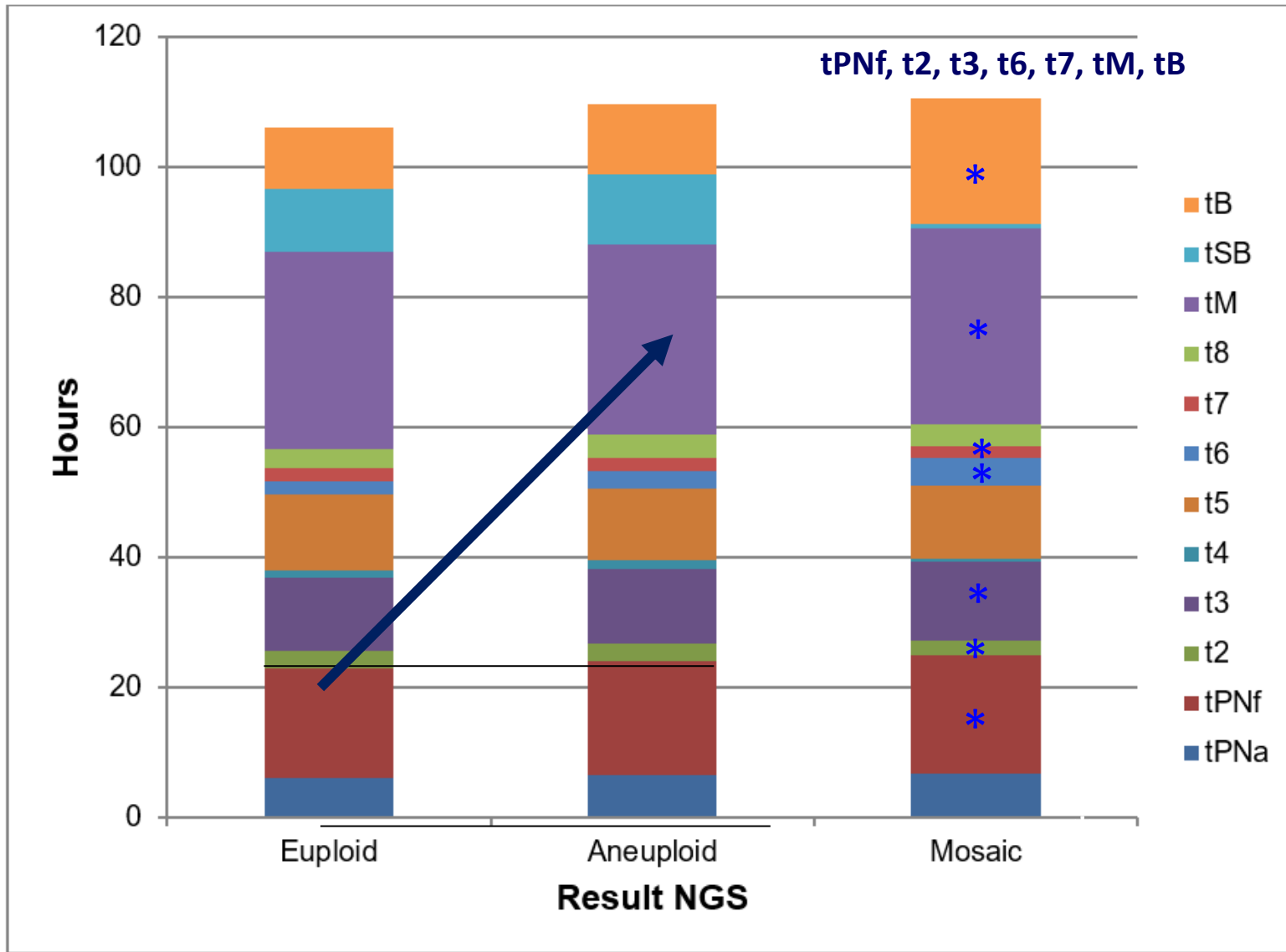


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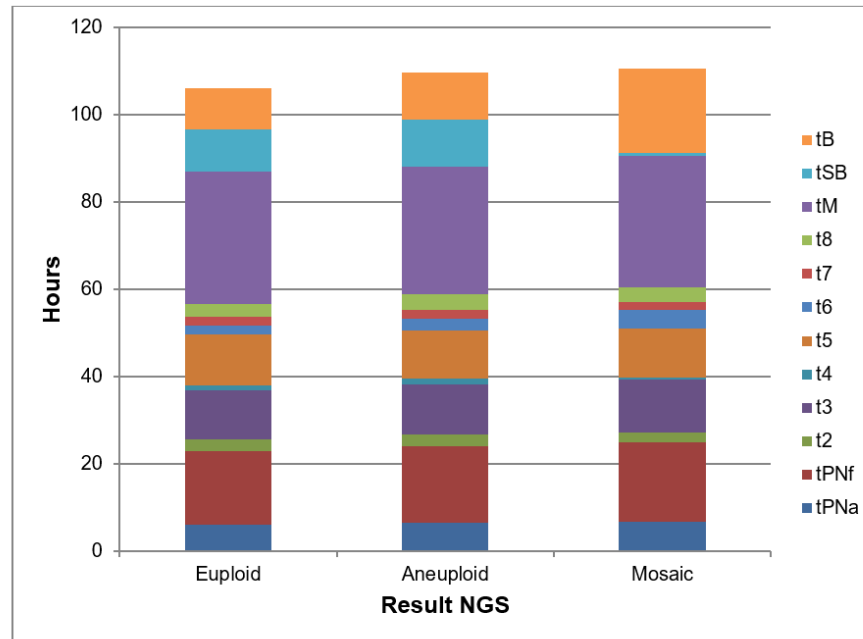


Figure 1: A comparison of the cumulative morphokinetic development of euploid, aneuploidy and mosaic embryos.

Morphokinetic data	Euploid embryos (n=352)	Aneuploid embryos (n=593)			Mosaic embryos (n=22)			p-value
KIDScore day 5	6.52±0.13 ^a	5.54±0.10 ^b	-0.97	-1.30 - -0.64	4.62±0.49 ^{a,b}	-1.89	-2.89 - -0.88	< 0.001

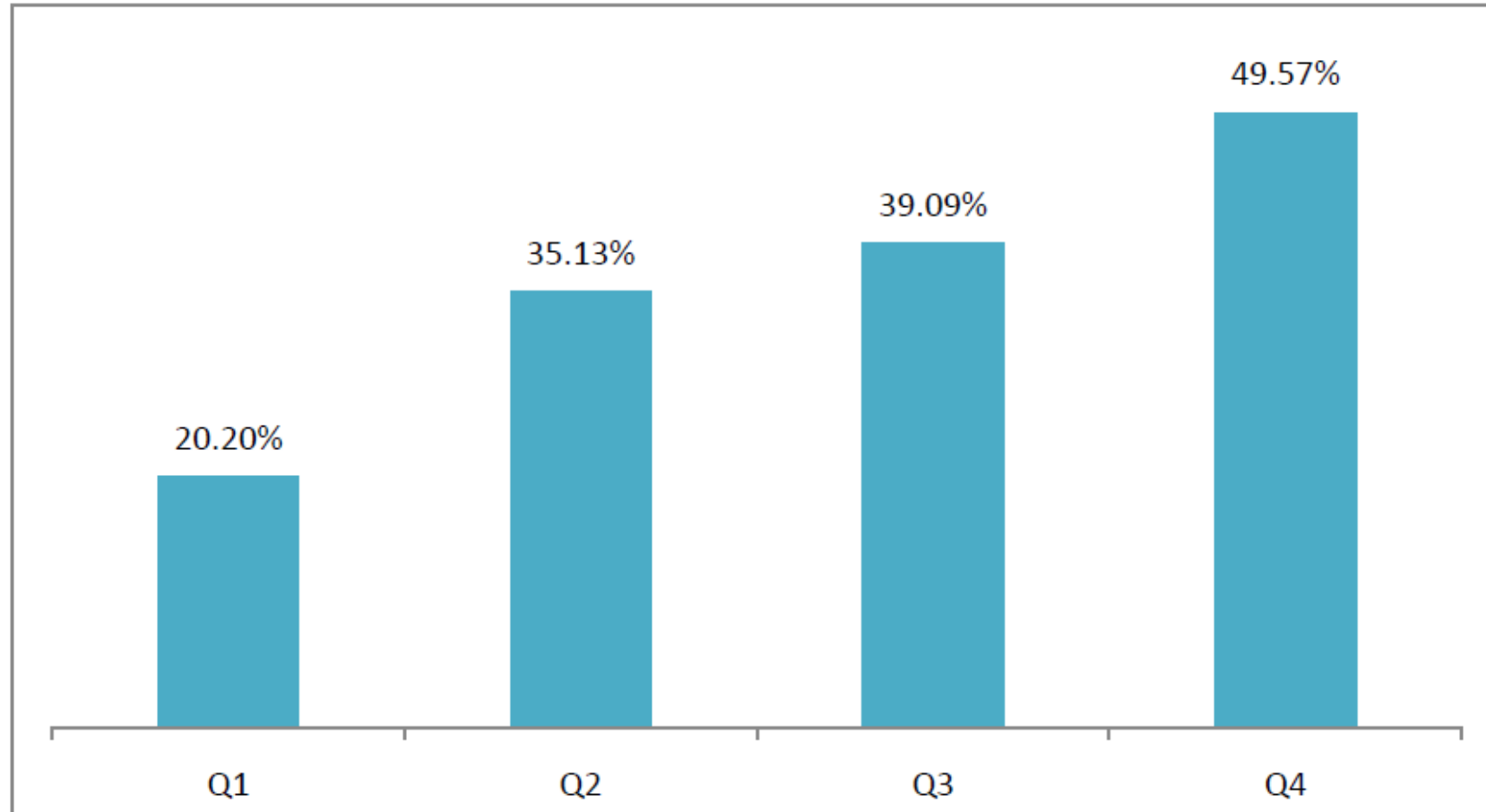


Figure 2: Distribution of the percentage of euploid embryos into the KIDScore D 5 categories, Q1 ≤ 3.9 , Q2, between 4 and 5.6, Q3 between 5.7 and 7.5, and Q4 ≥ 7.6



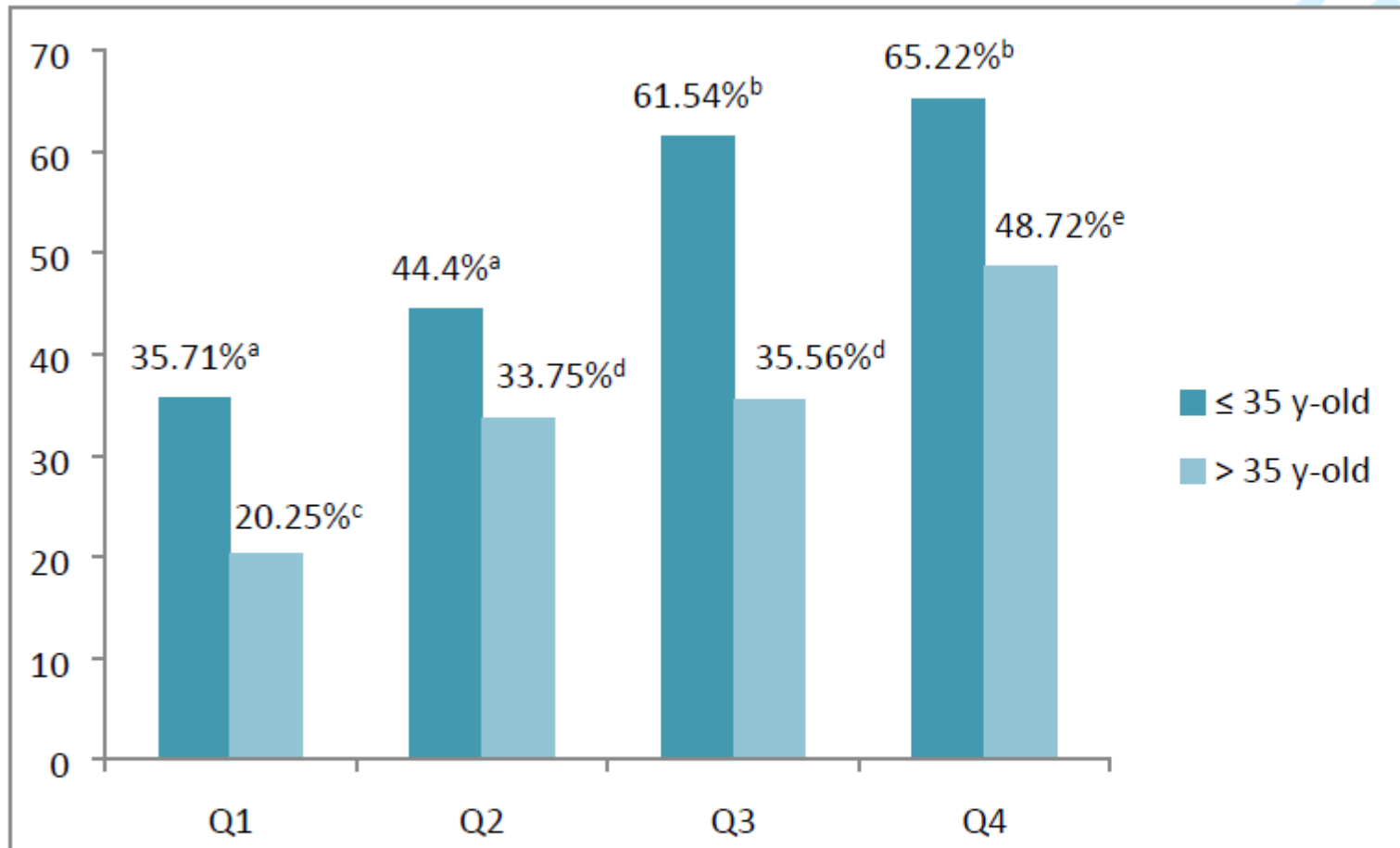


Figure 3: The distribution of the chance of being euploid according with the KIDScore D 5 category: Q1 ≤ 3.9 , Q2 between 4 and 5.6, Q3 between 5.7 and 7.5, and Q4 ≥ 7.6 . $a \neq b \neq c \neq d \neq e$.





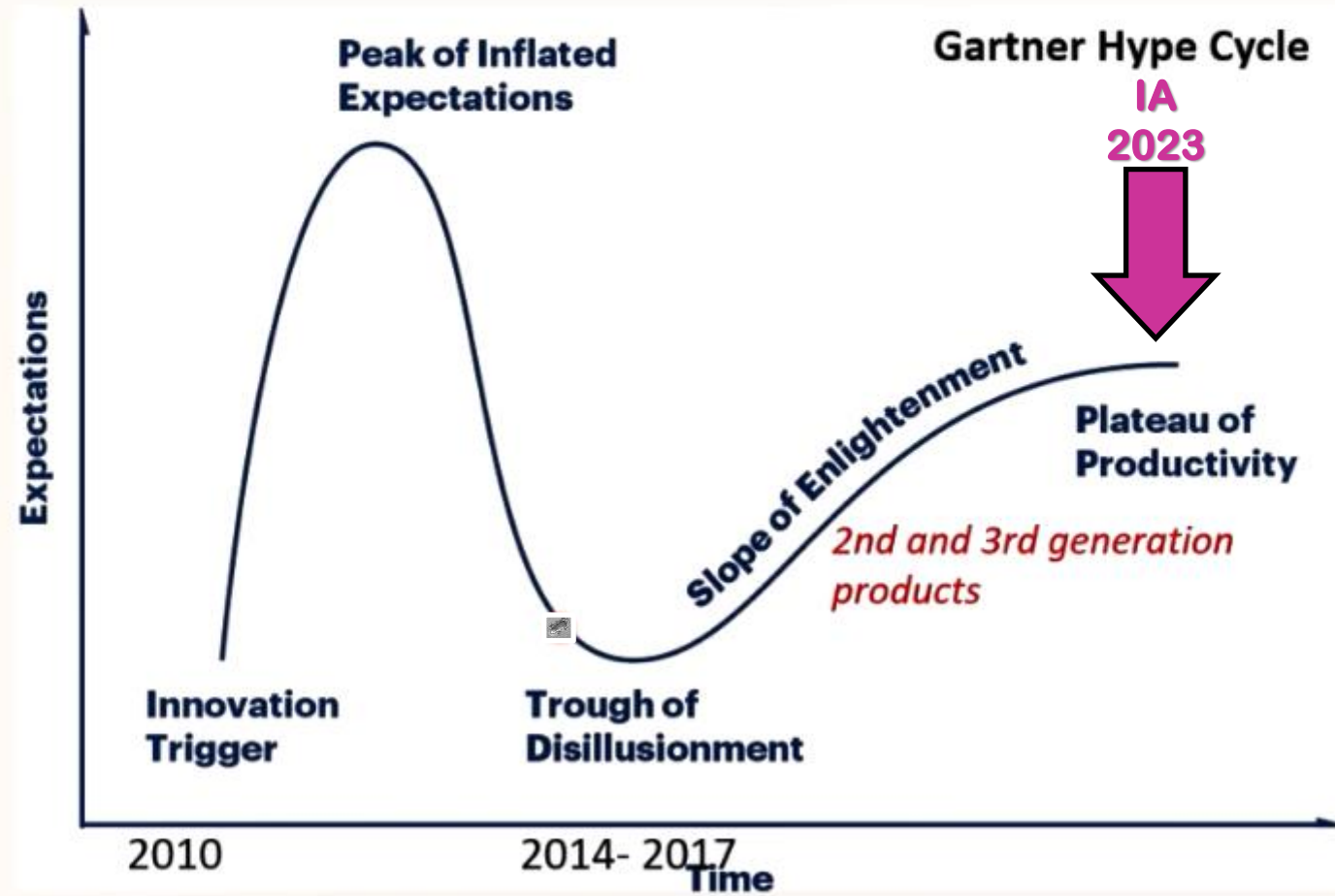
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Five key phases of a technology's life cycle



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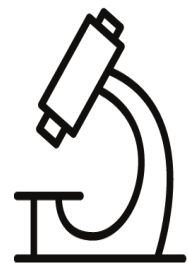
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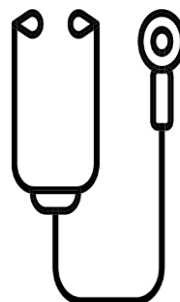
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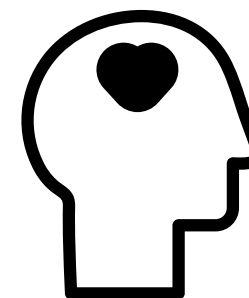
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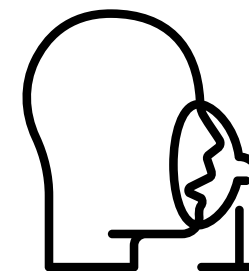
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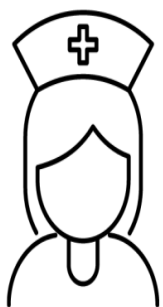
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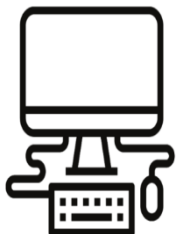
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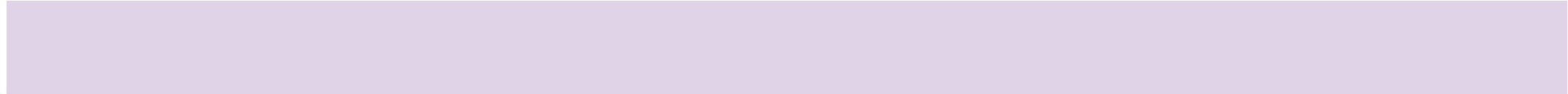
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