



Regione Toscana



Convegno

Il sistema delle sorveglianze regionali e nazionali in ambito materno infantile

Salone delle Robbiane - Villa la Quiete, via di Boldrone 2, Firenze

9:00 - 13:30

Giovedì 28 Marzo 2019

Progetto SPITOSS

Premesse



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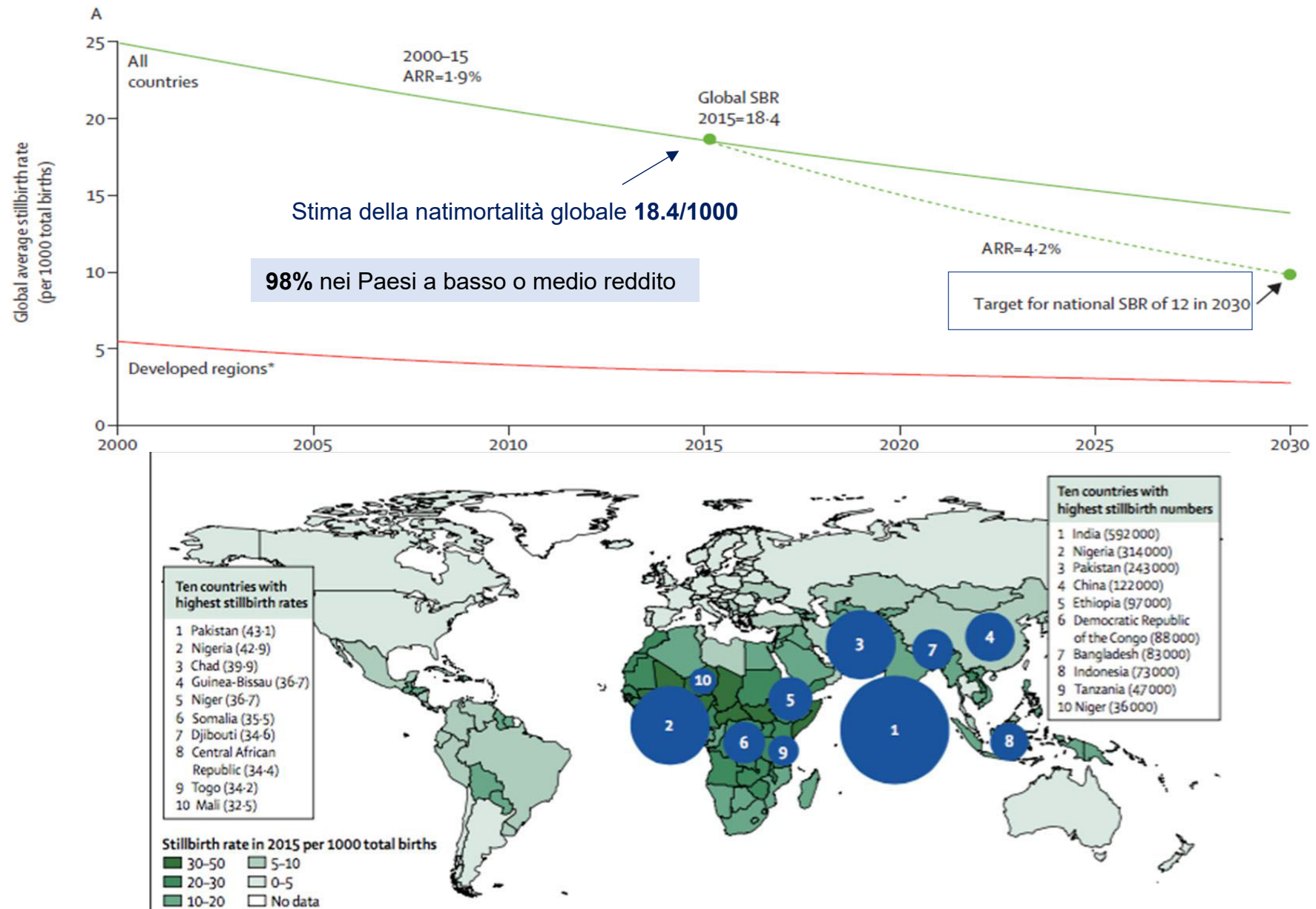
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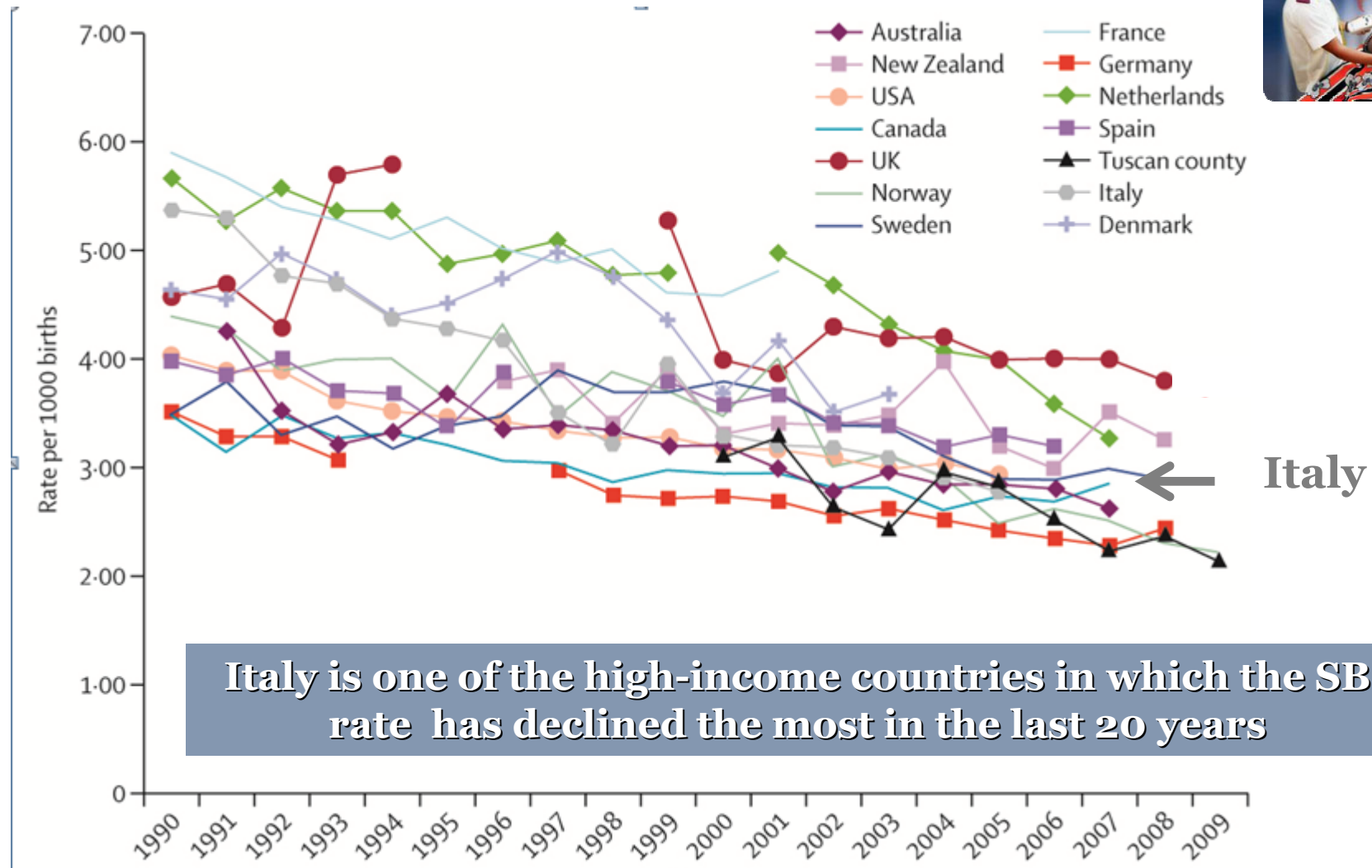
Implementare un modello di sorveglianza attiva per elaborare stime *population based* della mortalità perinatale e raccogliere informazioni utili a prevenire i decessi evitabili.

STILLBIRTH RATES REFLECT THE OVERALL LEVEL OF MATERNITY CARE IN VARIOUS COUNTRIES



Stillbirths in high-income countries

Stillbirths



Italy is one of the high-income countries in which the SB rate has declined the most in the last 20 years

Stillbirths: the vision for 2020

Goldenberg, Elizabeth M McClure, Zulfiqar A Bhutta, José M Belizán, Uma M Reddy, Craig E Rubens, Hillary Mabeya, Vicki Flenady, Armstrong, for The Lancet's Stillbirths Series steering committee*



High-income countries need to *eliminate* all preventable stillbirth

The goal is to reduce by 2020 the SB rate to fewer than 5/1000 births



- **DEMOGRAPHICS:**

- Maternal age >35 years

- **NON-COMMUNICABLE DISORDERS:**

- Overweight and obesity

- Maternal pre-existing diabetes

- Maternal pre-existing hypertension

- Pre-eclampsia/eclampsia

- Tobacco

- **FETAL DISORDERS:**

- Post-term pregnancy \geq 42 weeks

They explain less than 20% of the variance in the incidence of S

**Many fetal losses are associated with a failure in identifying
risk factors**

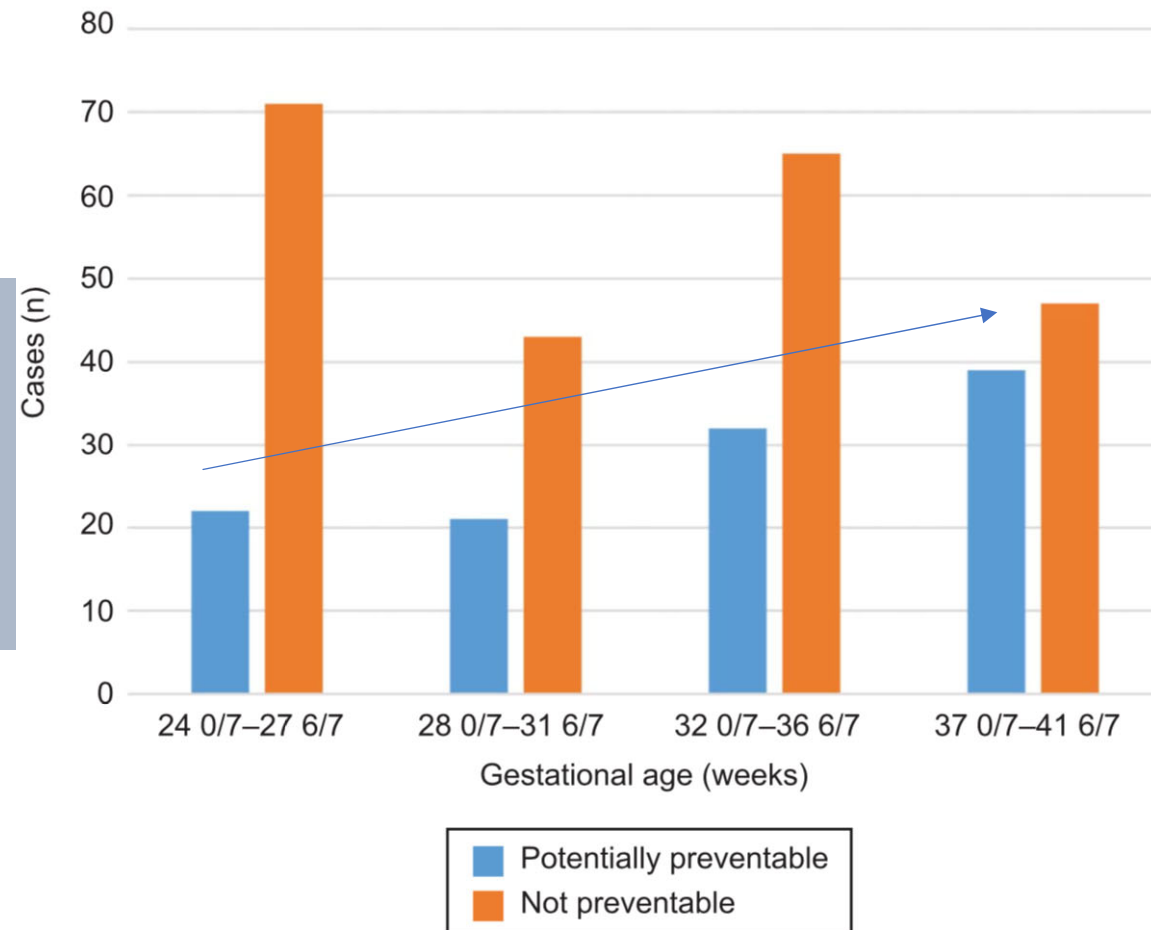
Potentially Preventable Stillbirth in a Diverse U.S. Cohort

M. Page, MD, Vanessa Thorsten, MPH, Uma M. Reddy, MD, MPH, Donald J. Dudley, MD, J. Rowland Hogue, PhD, George R. Saade, MD, Halit Pinar, MD, Corette B. Parker, DrPH, Leah Conway, MD, Barbara J. Stoll, MD, Donald Coustan, MD, Radek Bukowski, MD, PhD, Mel W. Varner, MD, Robert L. Goldenberg, MD, Karen Gibbins, MD, and Robert M. Silver, MD

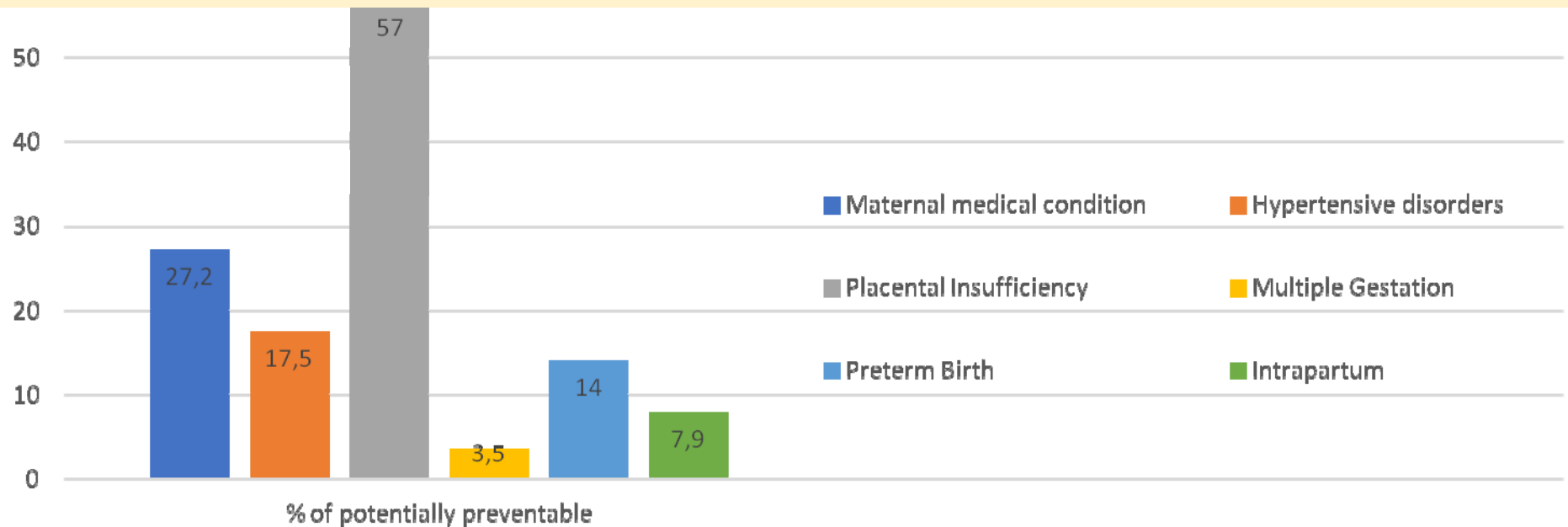
Obstet Gynecol 2018;0:1–8)

There is an increase in the proportion of potentially preventable stillbirths with increasing gestational age

Stillbirth cases (512)
-NOT PREVENTABLE (398)
- < 24 week of gestation
- Birthweight < 500 g
- Fetal anomalies or genetic conditions
-PREVENTABLE (104)



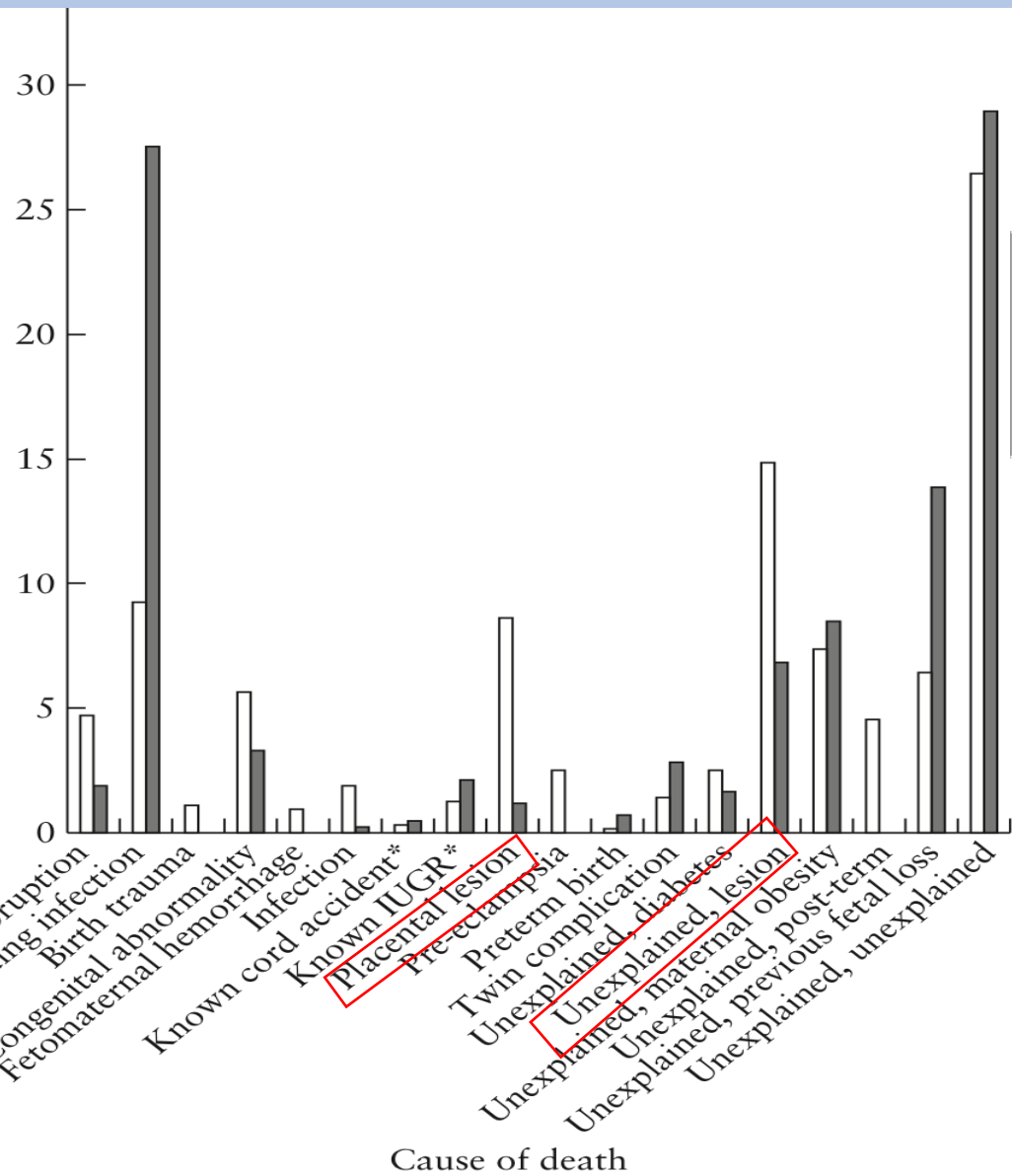
CATEGORIES OF POTENTIALLY PREVENTABLE STILLBIRTH >37 wks gestation



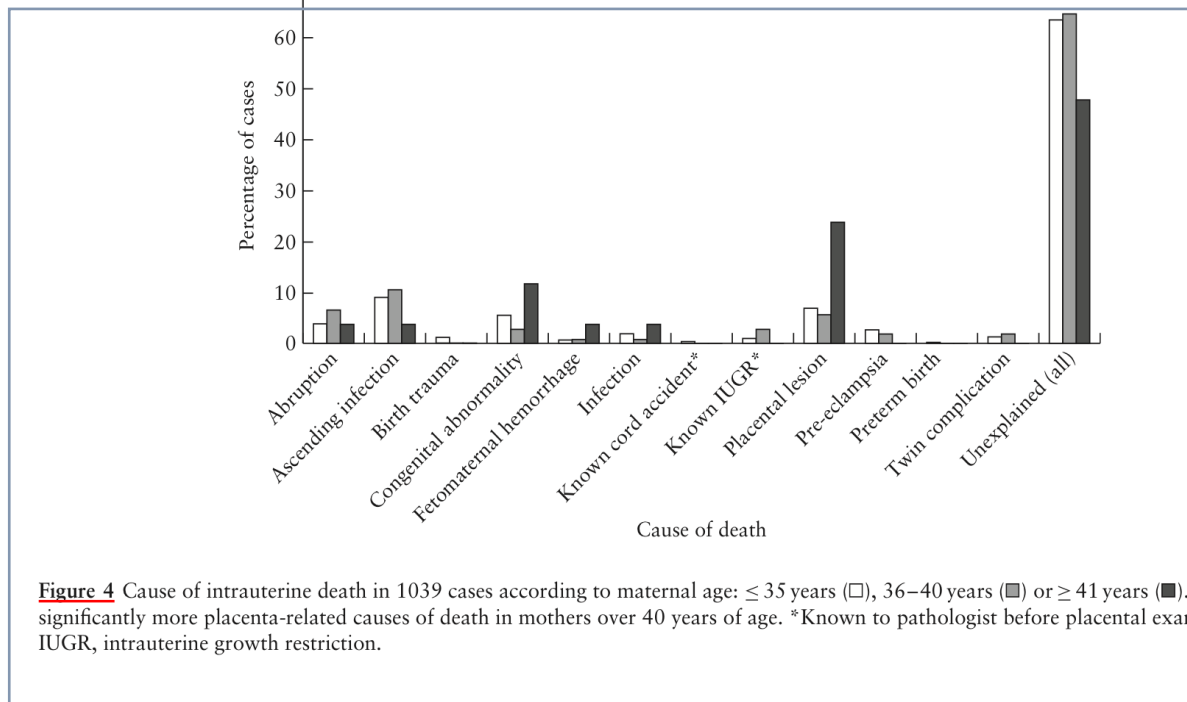
Category	Definition
Intrapartum	Fetal cardiac activity present on admission with stillborn fetus
Maternal medical complications	Diabetes mellitus, gestational diabetes, chronic hypertension, antiphospholipid syndrome, systemic lupus erythematosus
Hypertensive disorders of pregnancy	Gestational hypertension, preeclampsia
Placental insufficiency	Abnormal placental pathology findings (small, fibrin, infarcts, thrombotic vasculopathy), fetal growth restriction
Multiple gestation	Otherwise uncomplicated multiple gestation (excluded TTTS, TRAP, monoamniotic pregnancies)
Preterm birth	Preterm PROM, preterm labor, chorioamnionitis

TTTS, twin-twin transfusion syndrome; TRAP, twin reversed arterial perfusion syndrome; PROM, preterm prelabor rupture of membranes.

ed cause of death, based on autopsy findings, in 1064 cases of intrauterine death

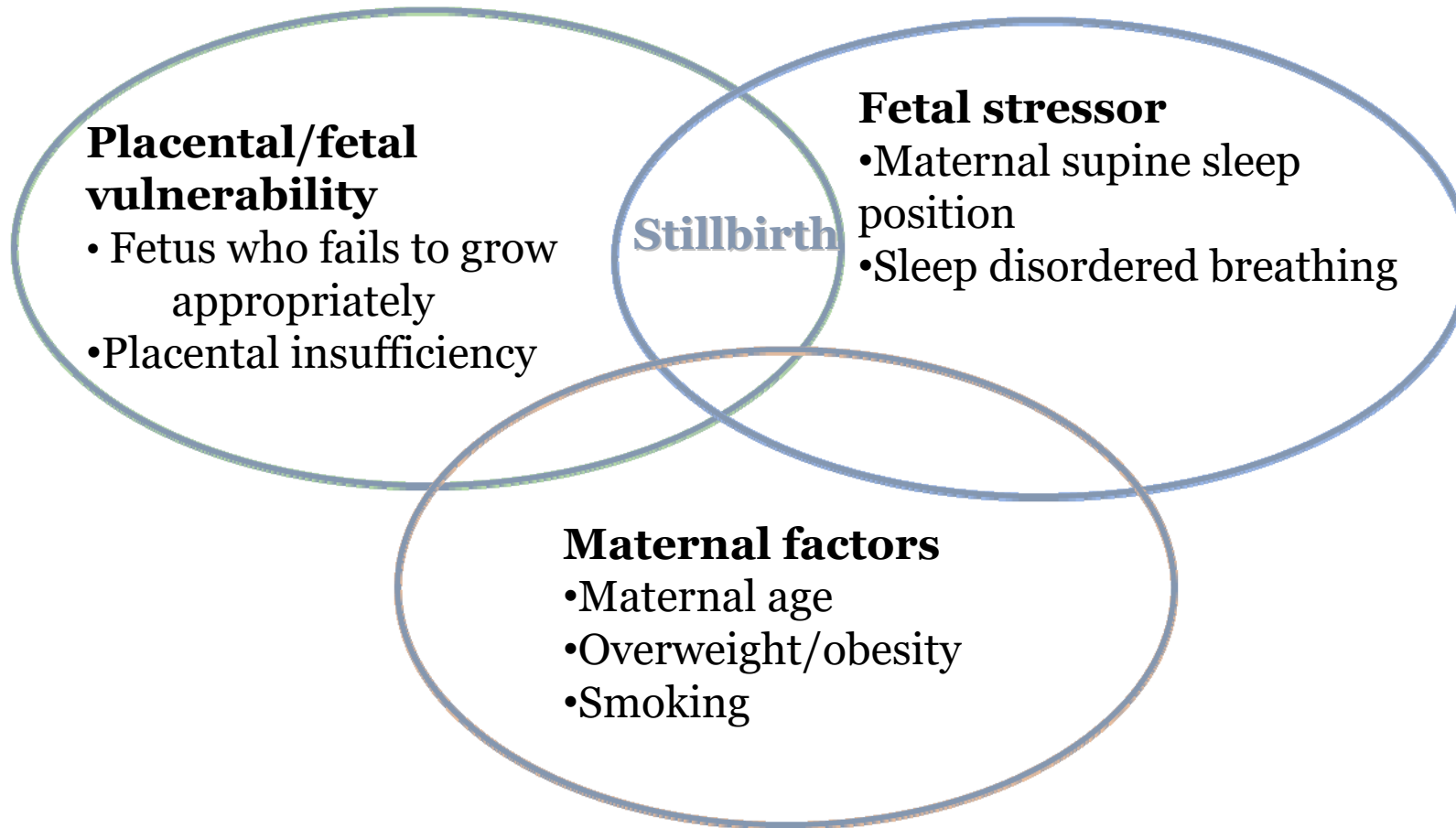


An impaired placenta might become a limiting element of fetal growth

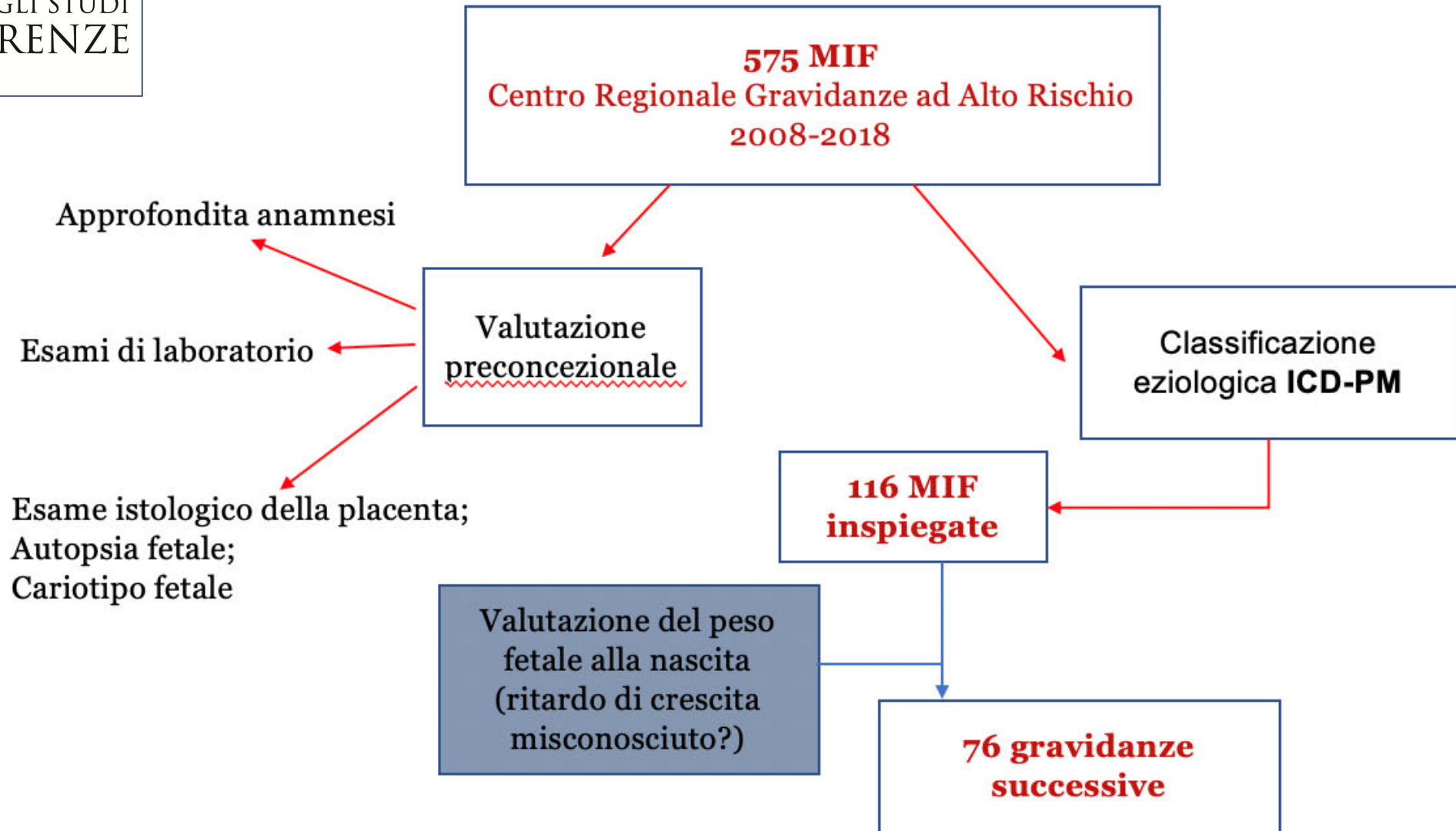


A triple risk model for unexplained late stillbirth

Warland and Mitchell *BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth* 2014,



La nostra esperienza

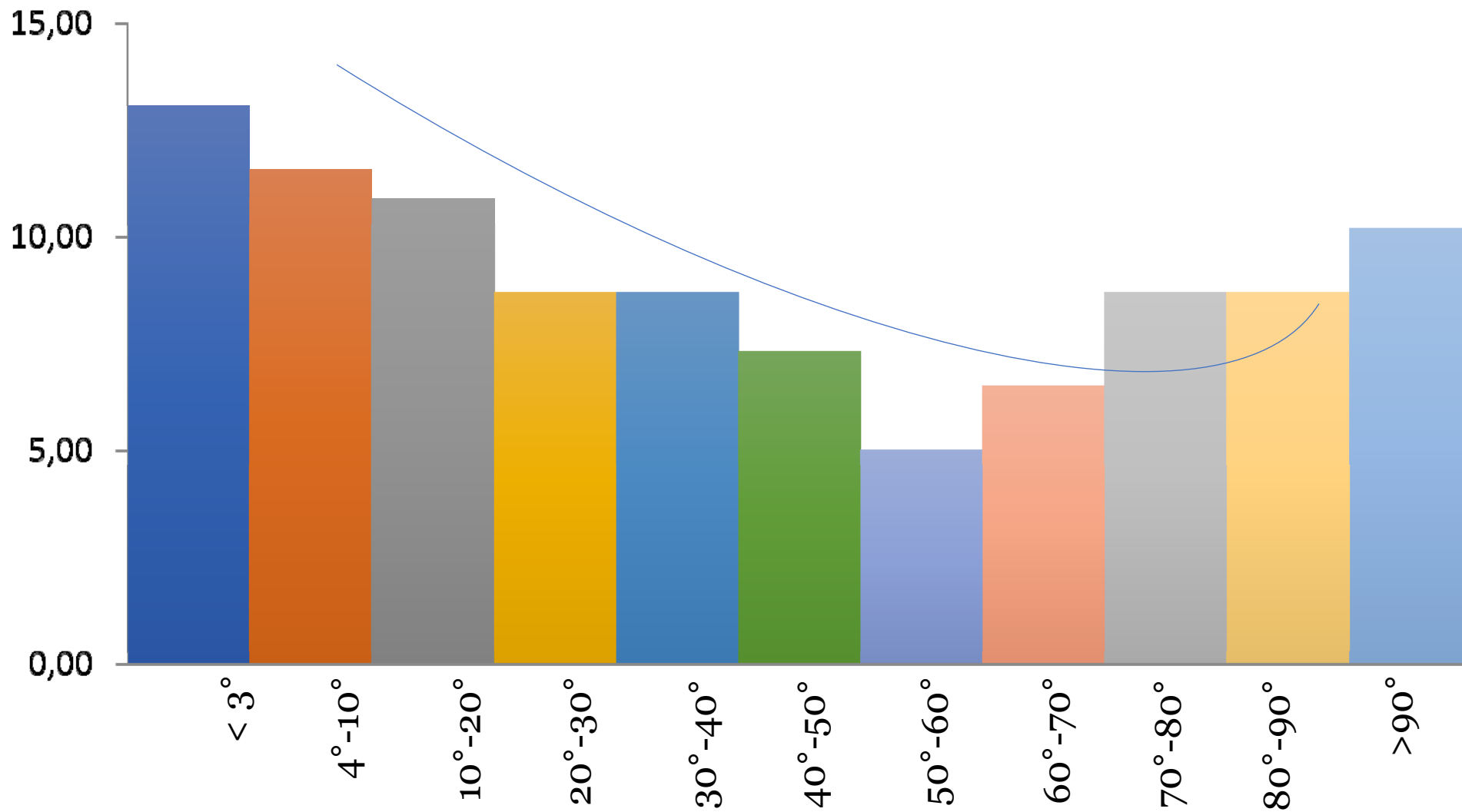


Valutazione MIF inspiegate

- **RITARDO DI CRESCITA**
- **BMI**
- **EPOCA GESTAZIONALE**



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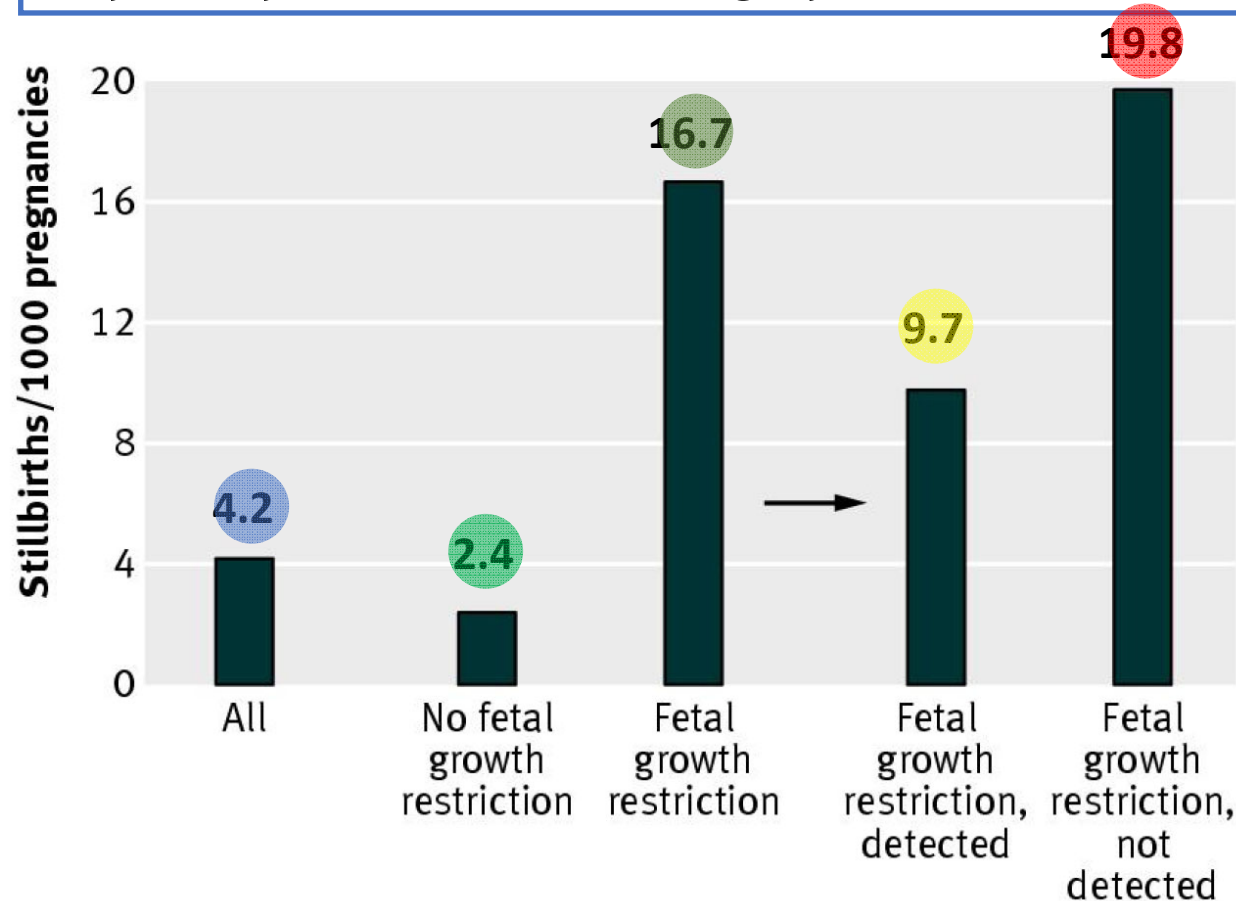


h weight percentile groups by customized curves in Stillbirth

Maternal and fetal risk factors for stillbirth: **BMJ** population based study

J. Gardosi, V. Madurasinghe, M. Williams, A. Malik, A. Francis. BMJ 2013

- Cohort study, 92 218 normally formed singleton pregnancies:
91 829 live births and 389 stillbirths (after 24th weeks)



The highest risk factor identified was:
undetected FGR



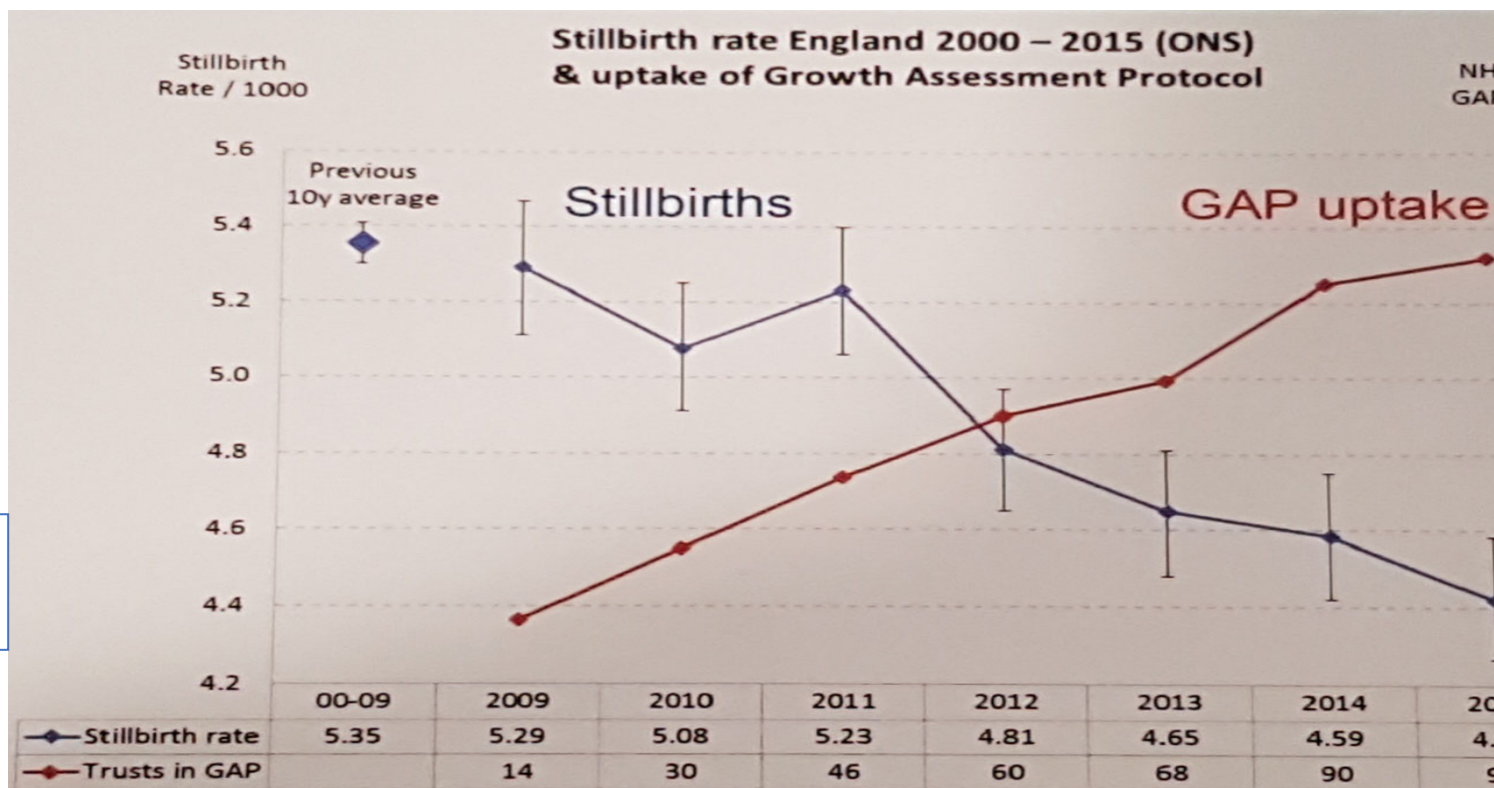
The Growth Assessment Protocol: a national programme to improve patient safety in maternity care

Sally Clifford, Sally Giddings, Michelle Southam, Mandy Williams, Jason Gardosi

programme of accreditation, training, and implementation of protocols in fetal growth assess

Standardised fundal height measurement
 Relying on customised charts
 Protocols and referral pathways
 Ultrasound scans for high risk pregnancy

Stillbirth rate have fallen again 2015



A 17% reduction
 compared to the previous 10 years

Ultrasound screening for fetal growth restriction at 36 vs 32 weeks' gestation: a randomized trial (ROUTE)

E. ROMA*, A. ARNAU†, R. BERDALA*, C. BERGOS*, J. MONTESINOS† and F. FIGUERAS‡

Ultras Obstet Gynecol October 2015

Table 4 Performance of ultrasound examination at 32 or 36 weeks' gestation for detection of fetal growth restriction (FGR) or severe FGR*

	32 weeks	36 weeks
Sensitivity (%)		
FGR	22.5 (15.7–31.1)	38.8 (31.2–47.3)
Severe FGR	32.5 (20.1–48.0)	61.4 (46.6–74.3)
Specificity (%)		
FGR	91.8 (89.8–93.5)	93.6 (91.8–95.0)
Severe FGR	91.3 (89.4–93.0)	91.5 (89.6–93.1)
PPV (%)		
FGR	25.8 (18.1–35.3)	48.2 (39.2–57.4)
Severe FGR	13.5 (8.1–21.8)	24.1 (17.1–32.8)
NPV (%)		
FGR	90.4 (88.3–92.2)	91.0 (88.9–92.6)
Severe FGR	97.0 (95.7–97.9)	98.2 (97.1–98.8)
LR+		
FGR	2.7	6.1
Severe FGR	3.7	7.2
LR–		
FGR	0.84	0.65
Severe FGR	0.74	0.40

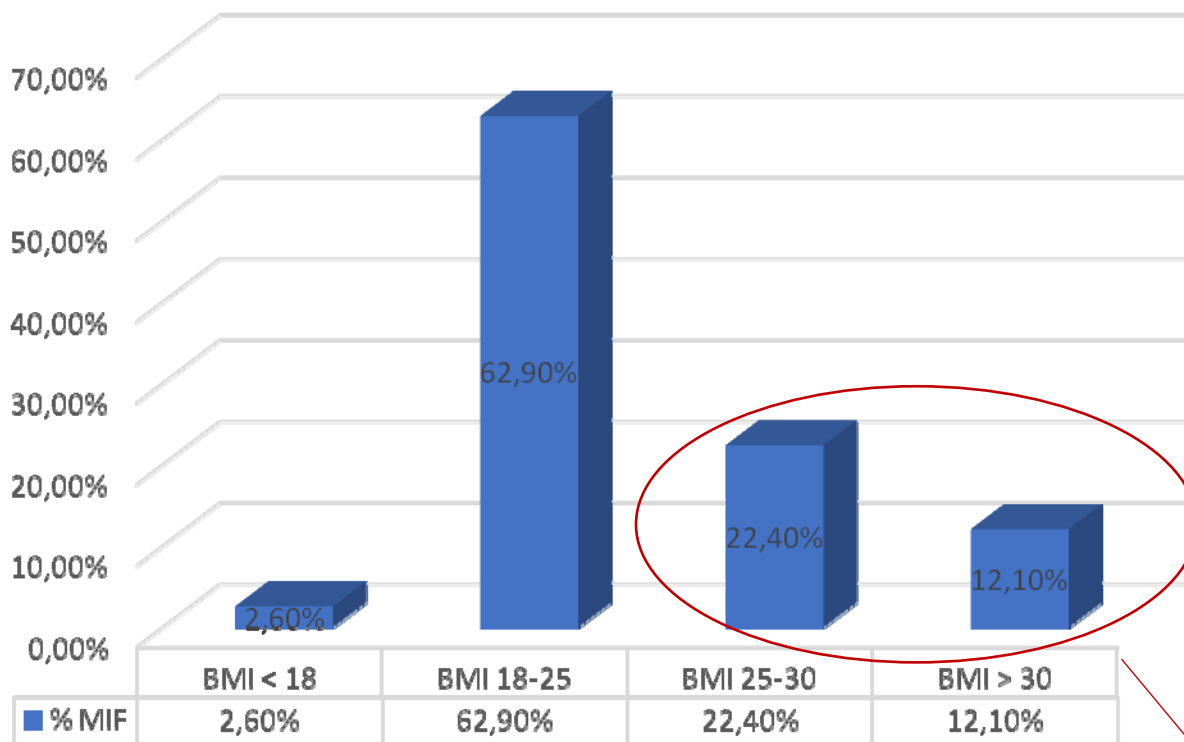
Gravidanze a basso rischio, ecografia a 32 wks (n=1272) vs 36 wks (n=1314)

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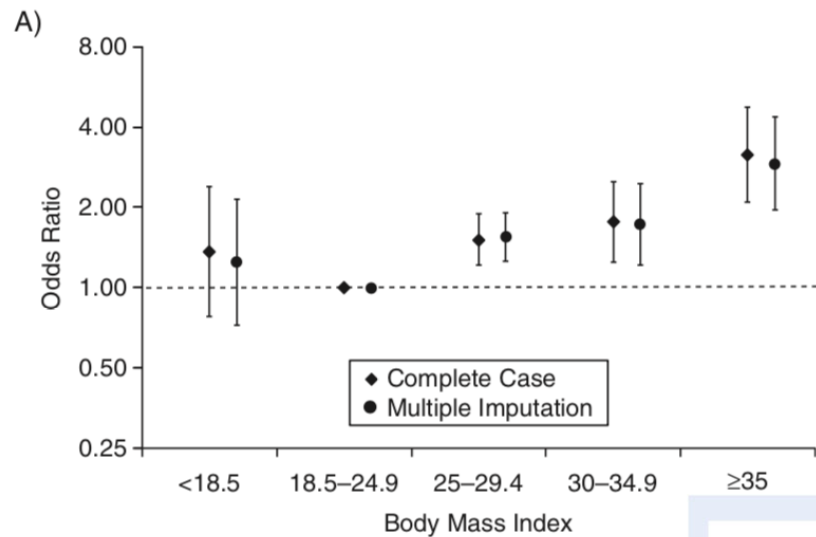
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VALUTAZIONE BMI



BMI > 25 nel 34,5 delle MIF inspiegate

Obesity and stillbirth



STILLBIRTH RISK

BMI 25-29.9 **OR 1.51** (95% CI 1.21-1.89)
 BMI 30-34.9 **OR 1.77** (95% CI 1.24-2.5)
 BMI > 35 **OR 3.16** (95% CI 2.10-4.76)

Tennant P.W.G. *Am J Obstet Gynecol* 2007

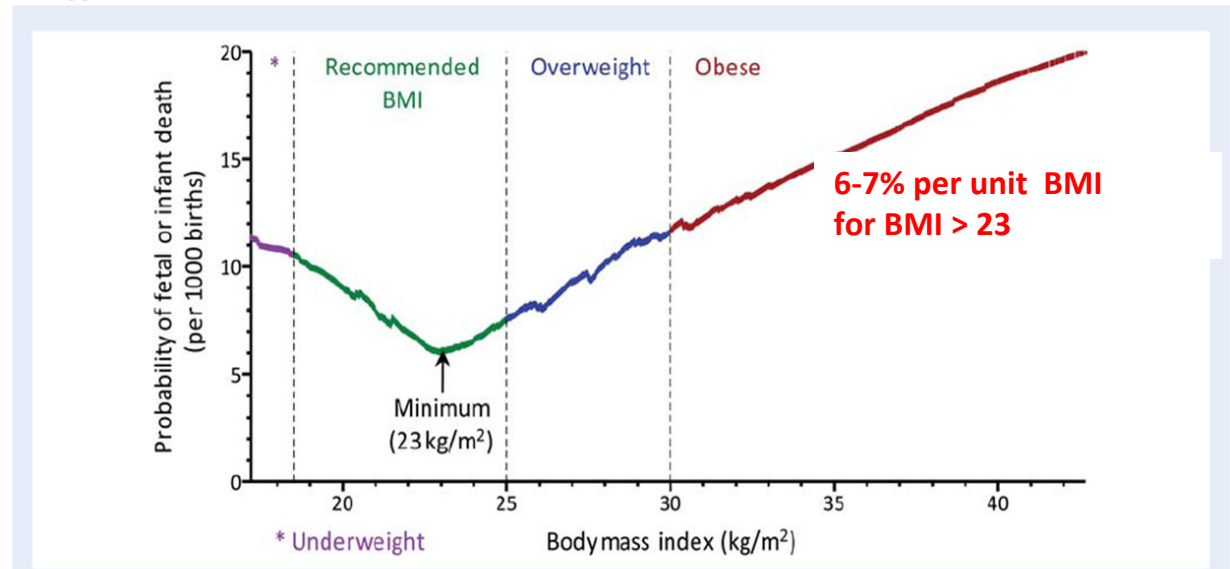


Figure 1 The association between maternal body mass index and the risk of a fetal or infant death, as estimated by locally weighted scatter plot regression.

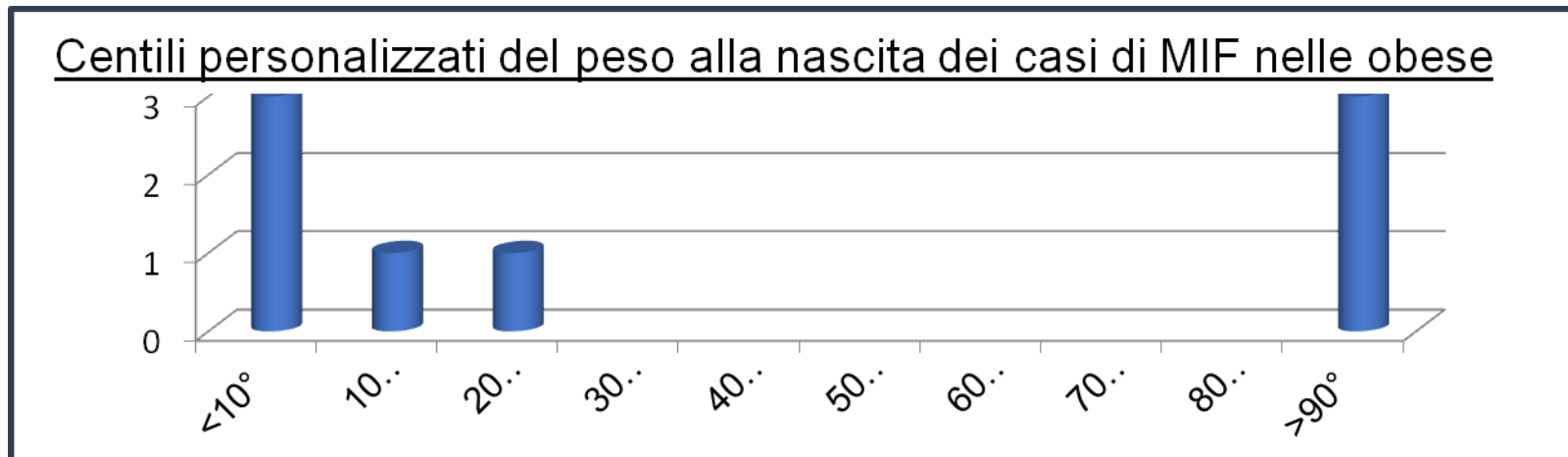
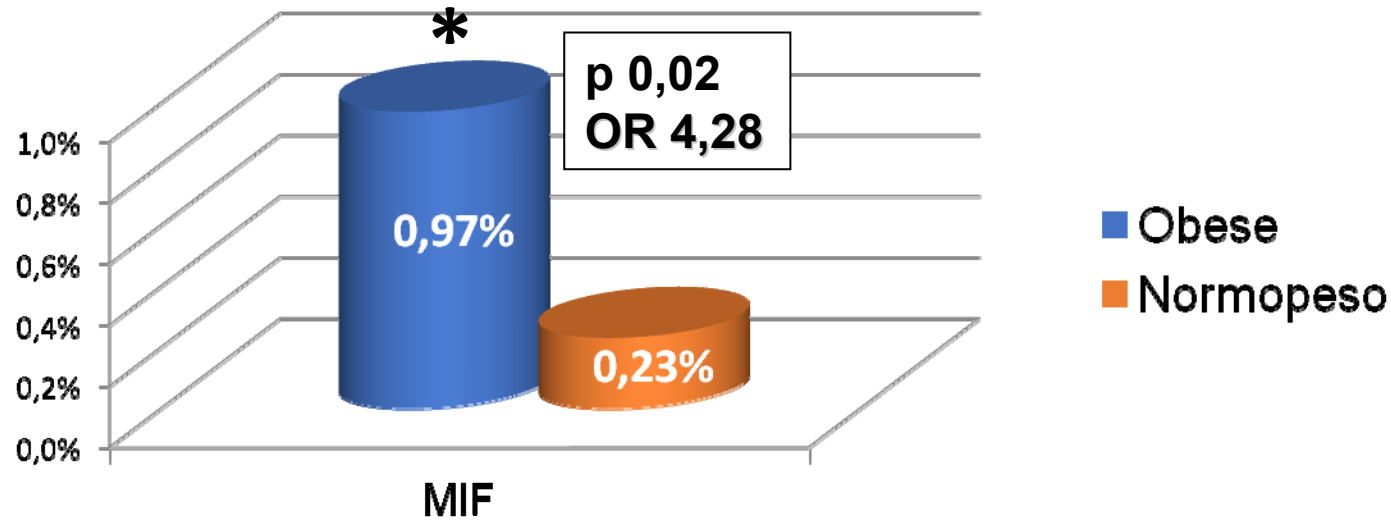
A Lindam et al. High maternal body mass index in early pregnancy and risks of stillbirth and infant mortality . A population-based Sibling study in Sweden. *American Journal of Epidemiology* 2016



OBESITY AND INTRAUTERINE FETAL DEATH

ANTEPARTUM

CAREGGI UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL 2010-2015
822 obese: 16511 deliveries



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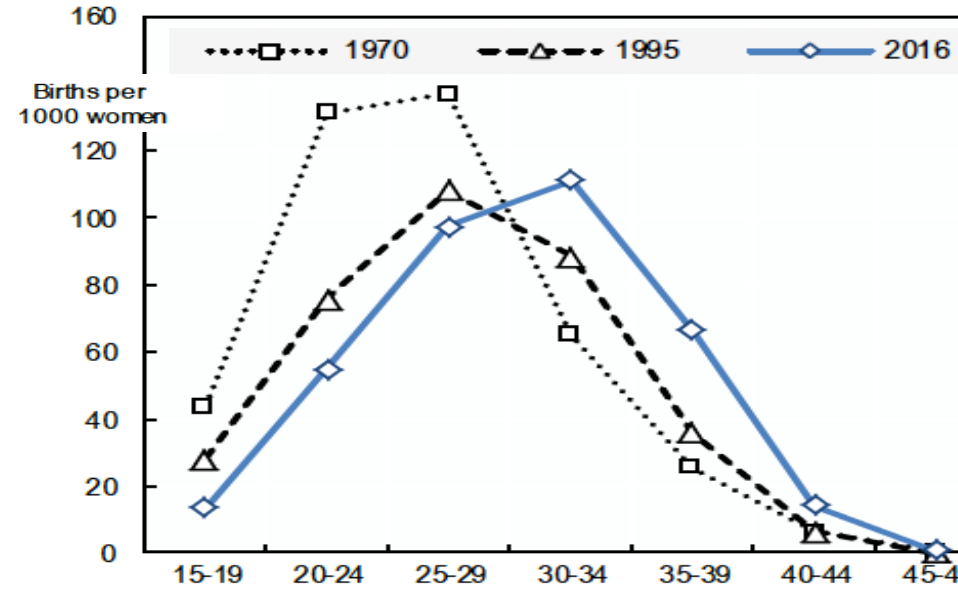
OBESITY EPIDEMIC



OBESITY AND OVERWEIGHT IS AN ESCALATING PROBLEM AMONG WOMEN IN REPRODUCTIVE AGE IN USA and EUROPE WITH MORE THAN 1 IN 10 PREGNANT WOMEN BEING OBESE, AND 1 IN 4 BEING OVERWEIGHT

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ADVANCED MATERNAL AGE



AGE AT CHILDBIRTH CONTINUES TO RISE IN EUROPE. RISK OF GDM INCREASES BY 74% AFTER AGE 40

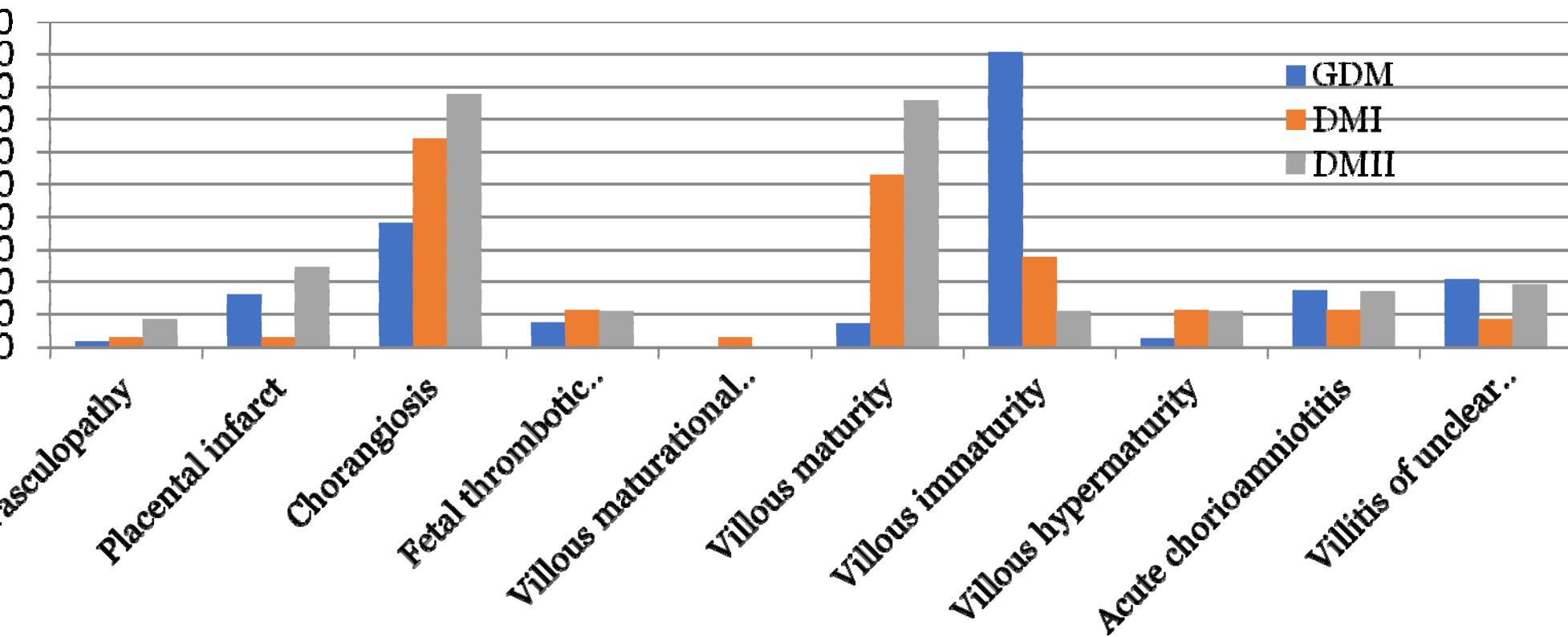
Eurostat Demographic Statistics 2017

A. Dietl et al. Geburtshilfe Frauenheilkd, 2015



HIP IS A MAJOR GLOBAL HEALTH PROBLEM

Differences in placental pathology according to diabetes types



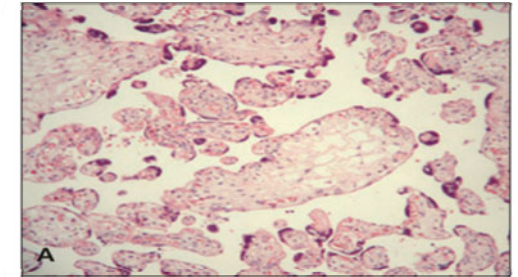
GDM is associated with a greater rate of villous immaturity

Clinical associations with a placental diagnosis of delayed villous maturation: retrospective study.

Higgins M¹, McAuliffe FM, Mooney EE.

Delayed villous maturation (DVM) is associated with an increased risk of stillbirth in the late third trimester

- decreased tertiary villus formation
- reduced vasculosyncytial membrane formation
- increased large bullous villi



A retrospective study on 175 placentas with DVM vs 175 controls

Pregestational diabetes (8% vs 2.8%, $P < 0.05$; relative risk 2.8)

Gestational diabetes (8.6% vs 3.4%, $P < 0.05$; relative risk 2.5)

Prenatal or intrapartum intrauterine death (8.6% vs 0%, $P < 0.05$)

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Stillbirths occurring *near term* are more likely to be *unexplained* than stillbirths occurring earlier in gestation

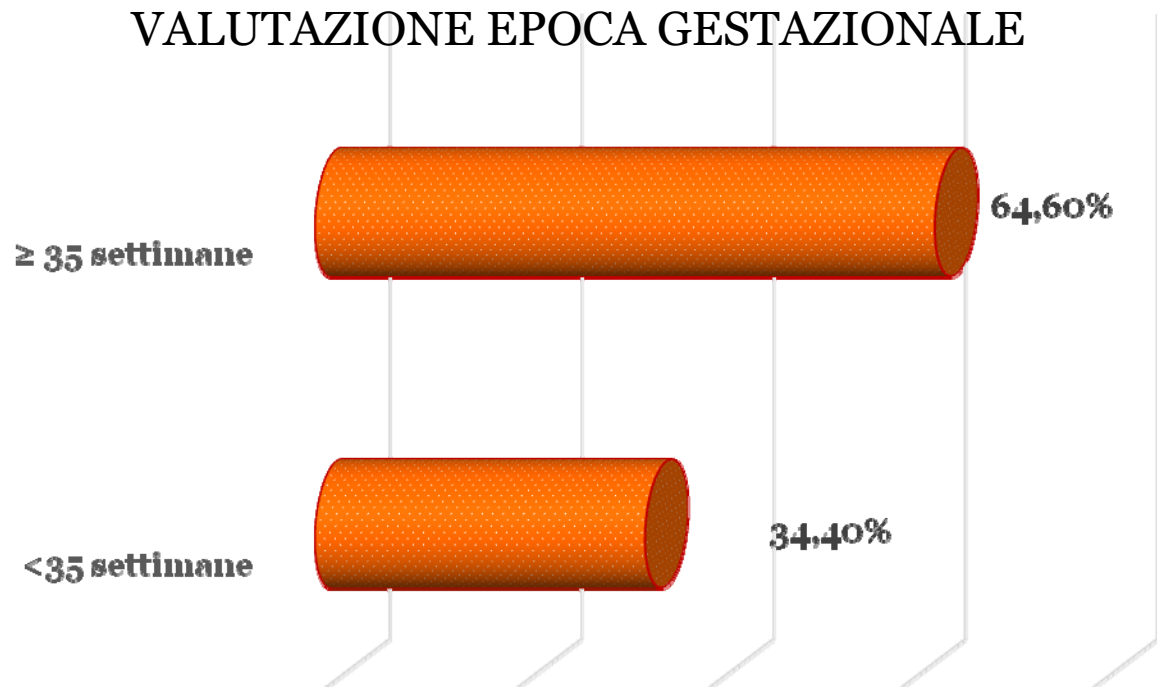


Two thirds of the unexplained fetal deaths **after 35 weeks'** gestation

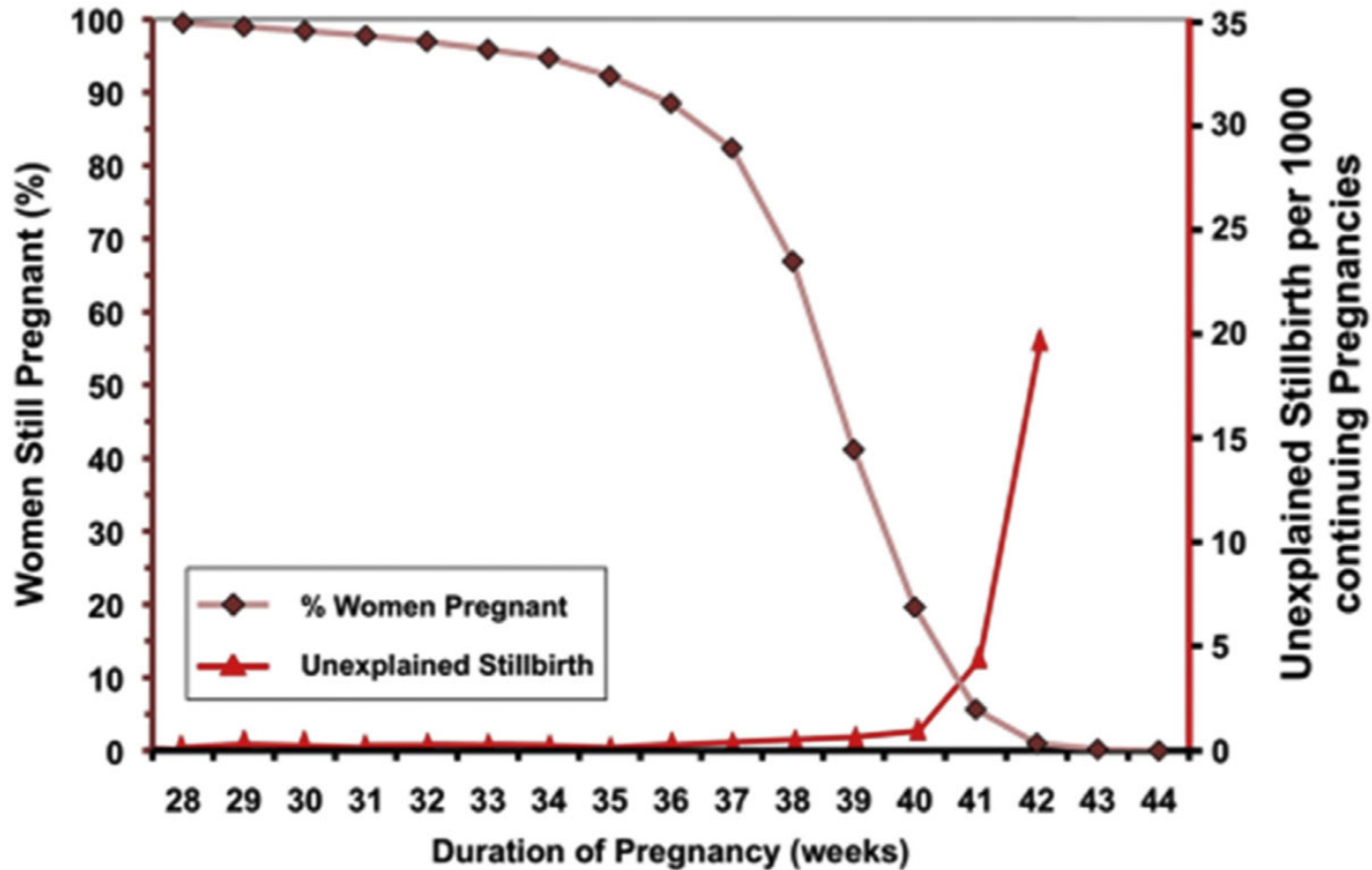
Yudkin PL et al. *Lancet*. 1987
Huang DY et al. *Obstet Gynecol*.

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VALUTAZIONE EPOCA GESTAZIONALE

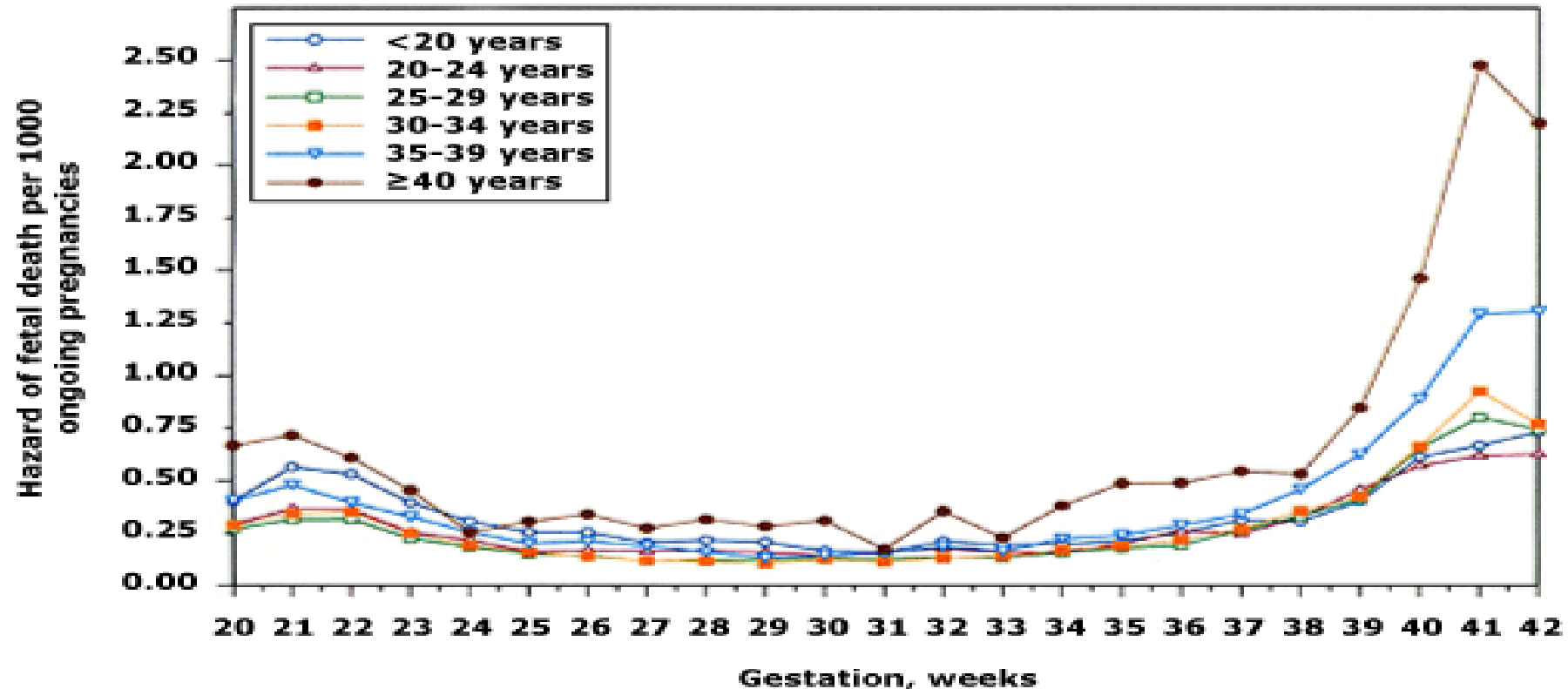


A role for aging in the etiology of stillbirth



Johnson FB et al. Molecular biology of aging. Cell 1999

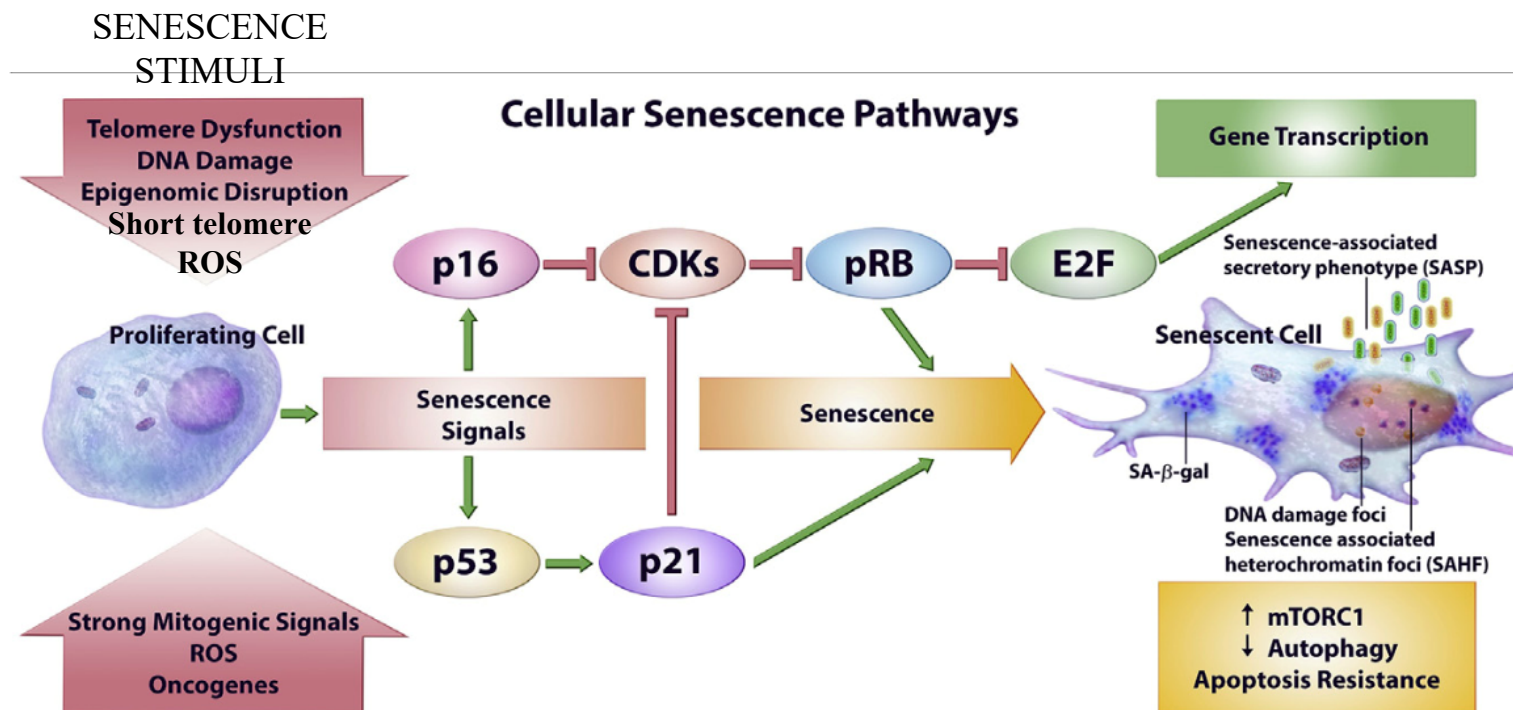
Hazard (risk) of stillbirth for singleton births without congenital anomalies by maternal age and gestational age, 2001-2002



Older women experience an increased risk of stillbirth at all gestational ages, and this risk is magnified at term.

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AN OVERVIEW OF CELLULAR SENESCENCE



SENESCENCE BIOMARKERS:

- Short and dysfunction telomeres
- ↑ expression of oncogenes deteriorating mitochondrial function
- ↑ DNA damage (oxidation)
- ↑ level of proinflammatory cytokine (IL-1 β and IL-6)

Management of post-date pregnancies and perinatal mortality

Danish national guidelines for management of post-date pregnancies.
Danish population studied: 102.167 pts

	The national guidelines in 2010	The national guidelines in 2012
Singleton uncomplicated pregnancies	Induction <i>at</i> GA 42 ⁺⁰	Induction <i>between</i> GA 41 ⁺² -41 ⁺⁶
Singleton pregnancies with risk factors: Maternal age > 40 years or BMI > 35 kg/m ²	Induction at GA 42 ⁺⁰	Induction at GA 41 ⁺⁰
Surveillance	<i>No</i> surveillance after GA 40+0	Surveillance <i>at</i> GA 41 ⁺⁰ (CTG and/or ultrasound)

Induction at 41 ws	28.2%	42.6%
Stillbirth	0.09%	0.005% ORa 0.50
Perinatal death	0.13%	0.08% ORa 0.62

A 50% decline in the risk of stillbirth

et al. Decline in stillbirths and perinatal mortality after implementation of a more aggressive induction policy in post-date pregnancies: a nationwide register study. Acta Obstet Gynecol Scand. 2017

*Stillbirth cannot
continue to be
invisible*



*Thank you for your
attention*