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# MANEIG CLÍNIC DE LA PREECLAMPSIA



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# Preeclampsia

## Endothelial dysfunction

#Sensitivity to angiotensin II and norepinephrine

- PGI2/TXA2
- NO

Platelet aggregation

#Endothelial cell permeability

Vasoconstriction

Coagulation activation

Intravascular hypovolemia

Arterial hypertension



CEREBRAL  
Headaches Blurred vision  
Eclampsia



Thrombocytopenia  
Hemolysis



KIDNEY  
Proteinuria

FETAL  
Growth restriction  
Hypoxia



LIVER  
Abnormal liver enzymes  
Epigastric pain



NO, nitric oxide; PGI2, prostacyclin; TXA2, Thromboxane A2

American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists Task Force on Hypertension in Pregnancy: Hypertension in Pregnancy 2013



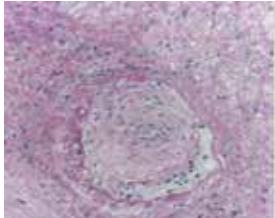
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hypertension



KIDNEY  
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# Clinical and pathophysiological features



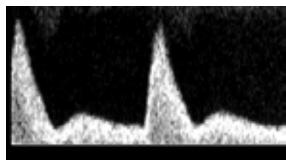
Stage 1  
DECIDUA

Deficient pro-angiogenic factor expression (VEGF, PIGF)  
Low HO1 activity

Abnormal remodelling spiral arteries and trophoblast invasion  
**IMPARED PLACENTAL PERfusion**



Stage 2  
PLACENTA



Stage 3  
PERIPHERAL  
VASCULATURE

Hypoxia-reoxygenation

Oxidative damage

•Apoptosis

•sFlt-1  
•sEng

•Cytokines

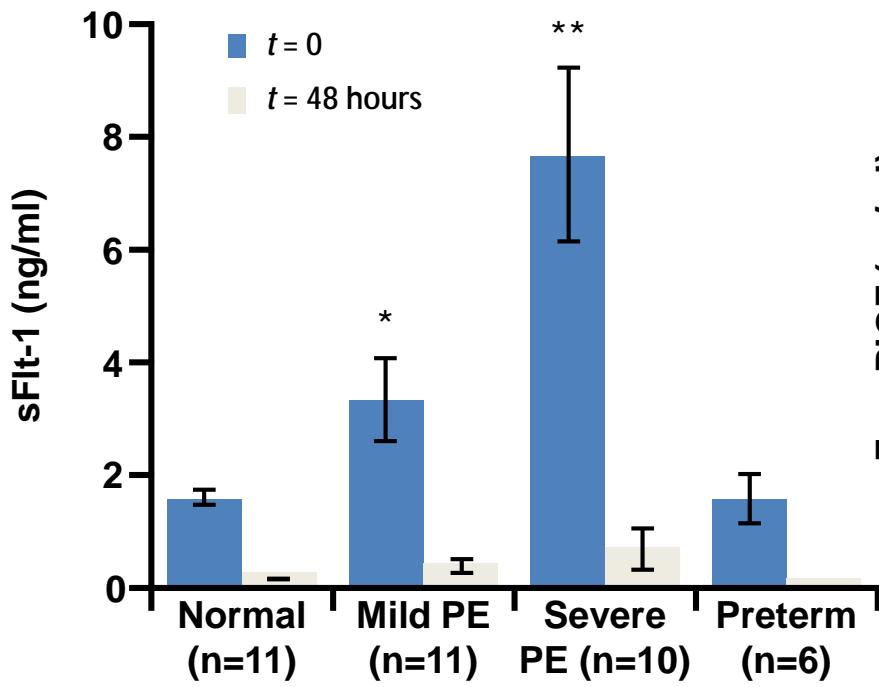
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Preeclampsia

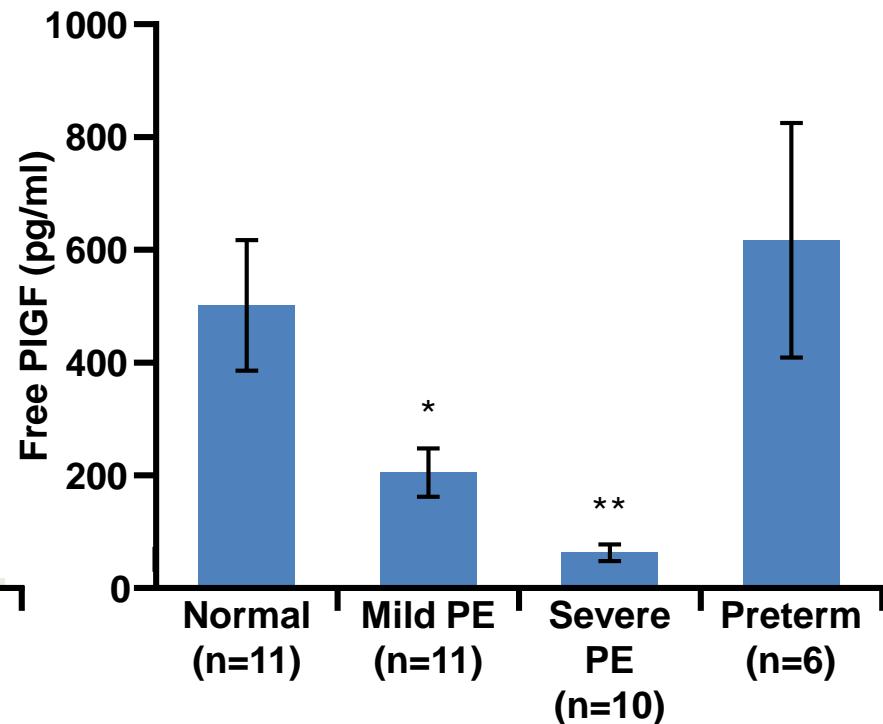
HO1, heme oxygenase-1; PIGF, placental growth factor; sEng, soluble endoglin;  
sFlt-1, soluble fms-like tyrosine kinase 1; VEGF, vascular endothelial growth factor

# Excess placental sFlt-1 may contribute to endothelial dysfunction, hypertension, and proteinuria in preeclampsia

Placental sFlt-1 Expression



Circulating PIGF

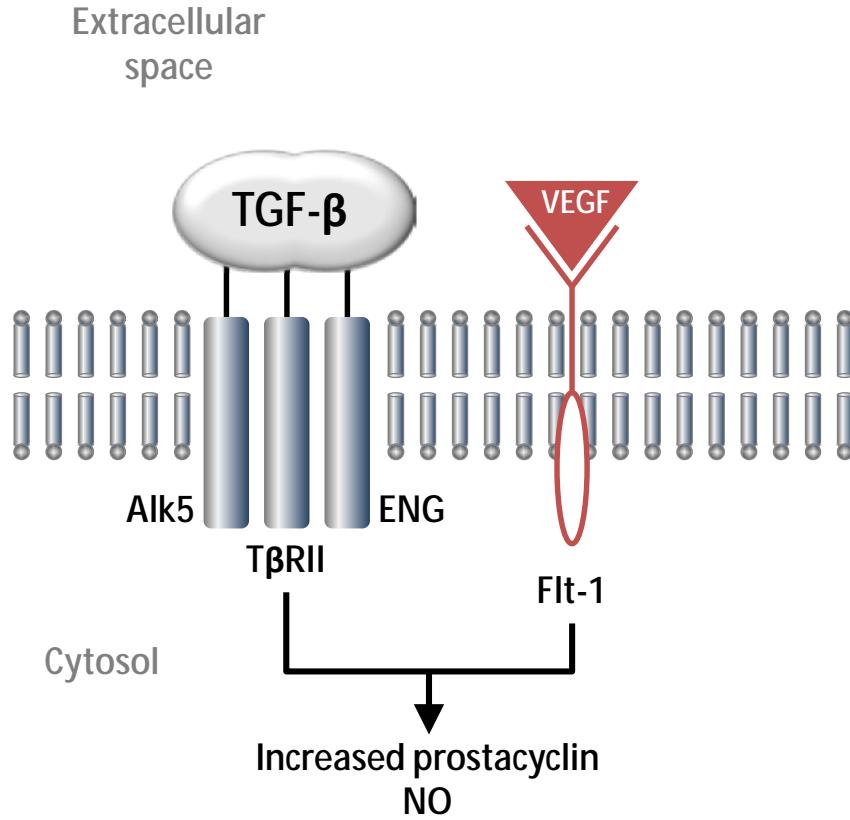


\* $P < 0.05$  and \*\* $P < 0.01$  as compared with normotensive controls. PE, preeclampsia

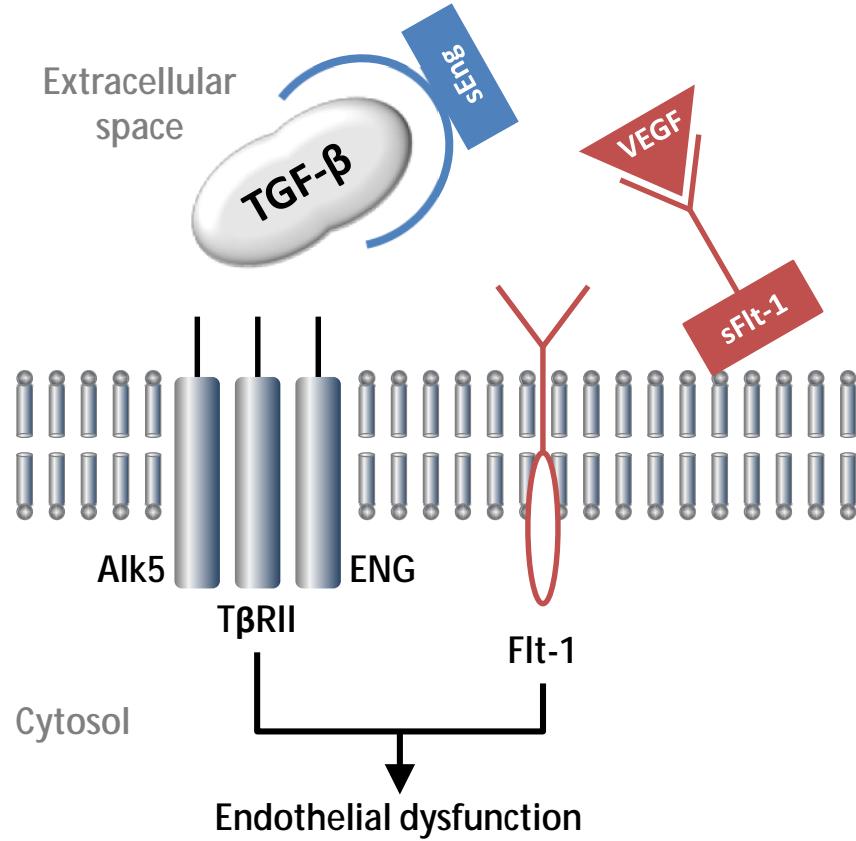
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# Preeclampsia Endothelial dysfunction

## Normal pregnancy



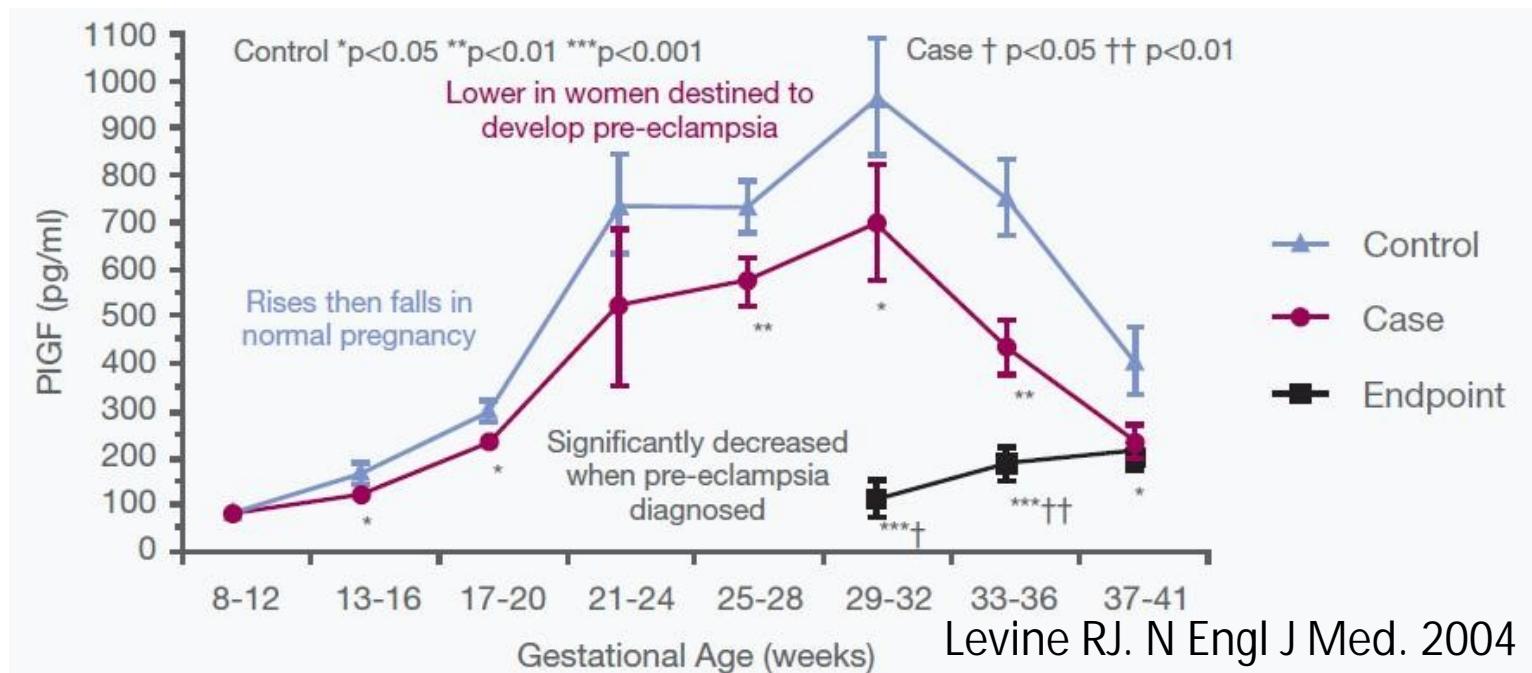
## Preeclampsia



ENG, endoglin; Flt-1, fms-like tyrosine kinase 1;  
TGF- $\beta$ , tumor growth factor beta;  
T $\beta$ RII, TGF- $\beta$ 2 binding receptor

Adapted from Karumanchi SA, Epstein FH. Kidney Int 2007;71:959–961

# PREECLAMPSIA



Levine RJ. N Engl J Med. 2004

sFlt1/PIGF ratio



1 TRIMESTER  
PREDICTION



DIAGNOSIS  
AND  
MANAGEMENT

## Preeclampsia 2<sup>nd</sup> cause maternal deaths

1

Selection of cases than  
need surveillance

2

Prediction of adverse  
outcome

# PREECLAMPSIA: CLINICAL SCENARIOS

## Suspicion of PE



BP/proteinuria/platelets/AST/uric acid  
to predict preeclampsia

## PROGNOSIS STUDY

## Established PE



BP plus proteinuria to predict  
preeclampsia-related adverse  
outcomes

## DIAGNOSIS

## Severe early-onset PE



PIERS to predict SEVERE  
preeclampsia-related adverse  
outcomes (48H)

## MANAGEMENT

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PPV=~20%

BP/proteinuria/platelets/AST/uric acid to predict preeclampsia

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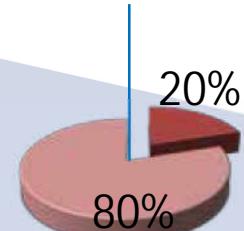
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# PROGNOSIS *Prediction of short-term outcome in pregnant women*

SUSPICION OF PE  
sFlt1/PIGF ratio?

- New onset HTA
- Aggravation HTA
- New onset PROT
- PE-related symptoms
- PE-related findings

Visits/week  
4mL serum



No-PE or adverse  
outcome within one week



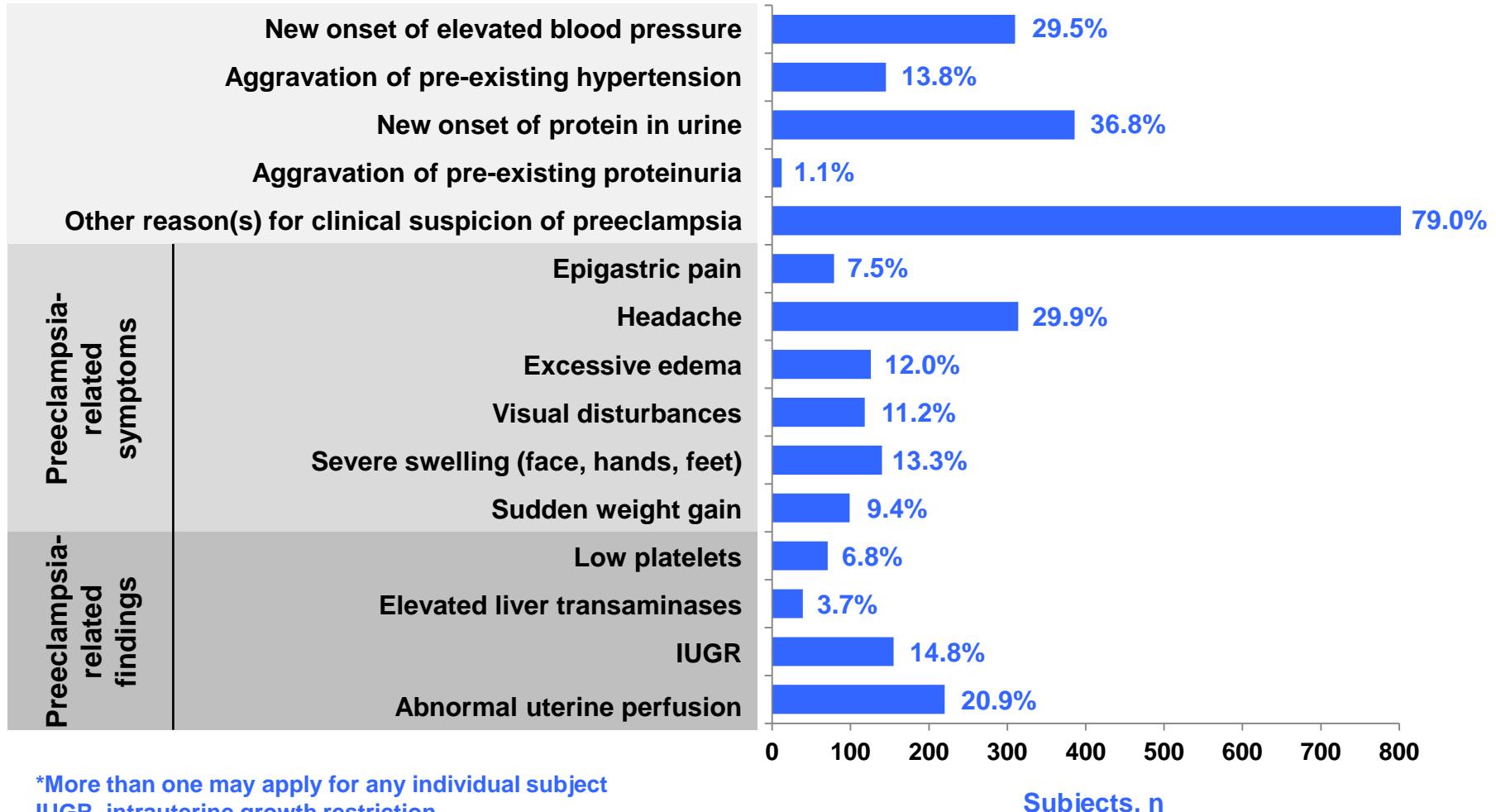
sFlt1/PIGF  
ratio

PE/adverse outcome  
within 4 weeks



- Study samples (4 ml serum/5 ml urine) for biomarker testing were collected, frozen and shipped to an independent laboratory for sFlt-1/PIGF testing

# Reasons for suspicion of preeclampsia\*

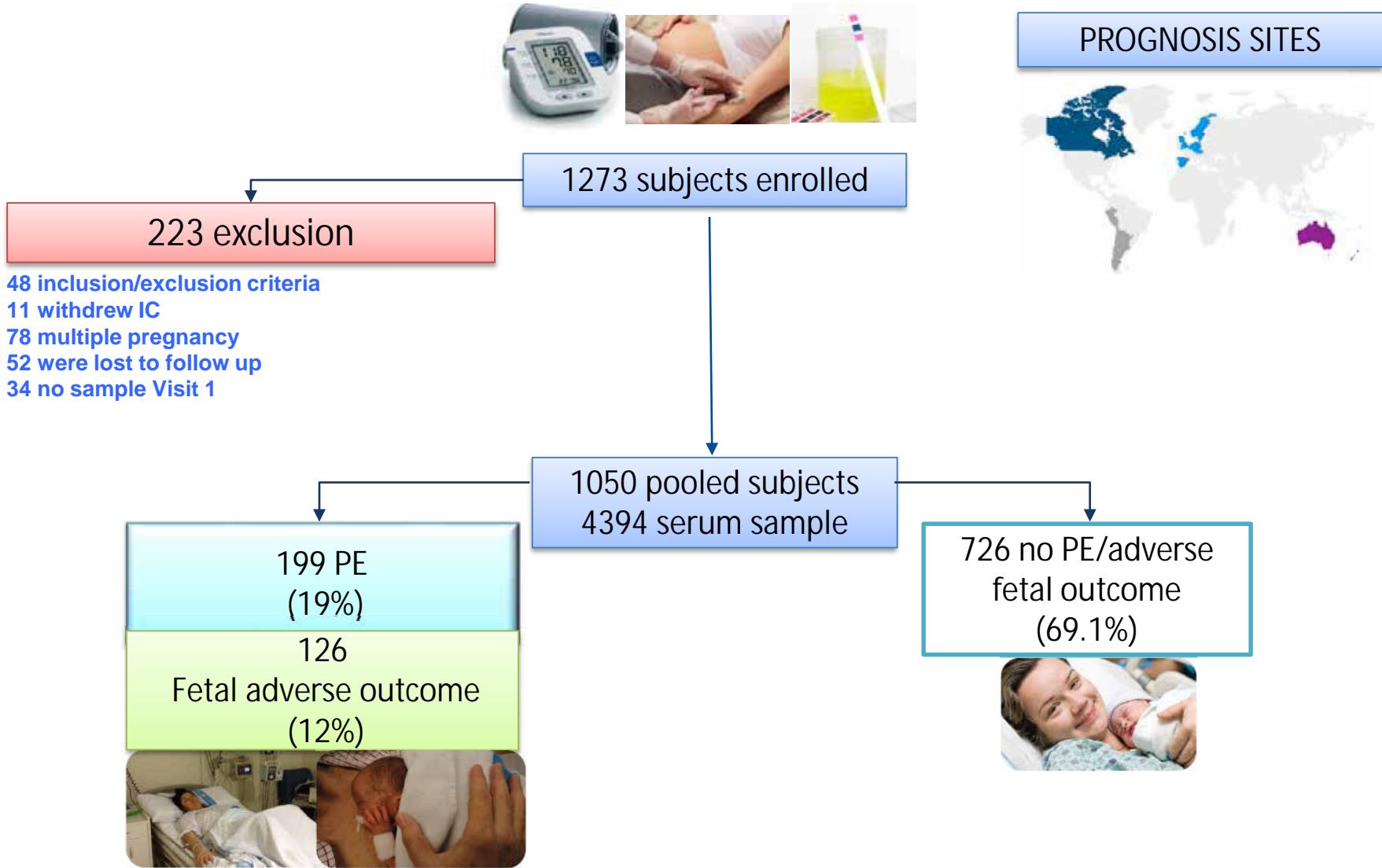


\*More than one may apply for any individual subject

IUGR, intrauterine growth restriction

# PROGNOSIS

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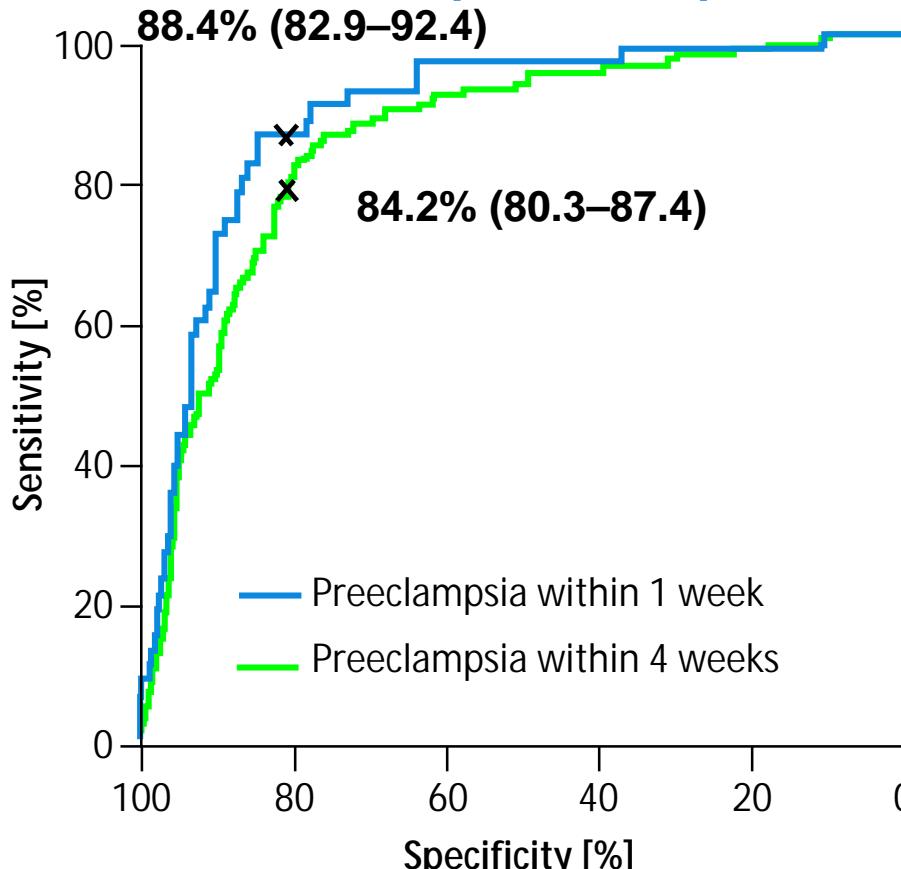


# **PROGNOSIS feasibility study**

- The single cutoff model was selected for both rule-out and rule-in
- Feasibility testing showed no superiority for other models
  - Global sFlt-1/PIGF cutoff = 38
    - For all gestational ages
    - For both prediction claims  
(1-week rule out and 4-week rule in)

# PROGNOSIS: Prediction of preeclampsia

sFlt-1/PIGF ratio cut-off of 38  
(rule-out and rule-in)  
(n=1,050)



Preeclampsia within 1 week:

Estimate	
NPV	99.1% (98.2–99.6)
Sensitivity	85.7% (72.8–94.1)
Specificity	79.1% (76.5–81.6)

Preeclampsia within 4 weeks:

Estimate	
PPV	38.6% (32.6–45.0)
Sensitivity	70.3% (61.9–77.8)
Specificity	83.1% (80.5–85.5)

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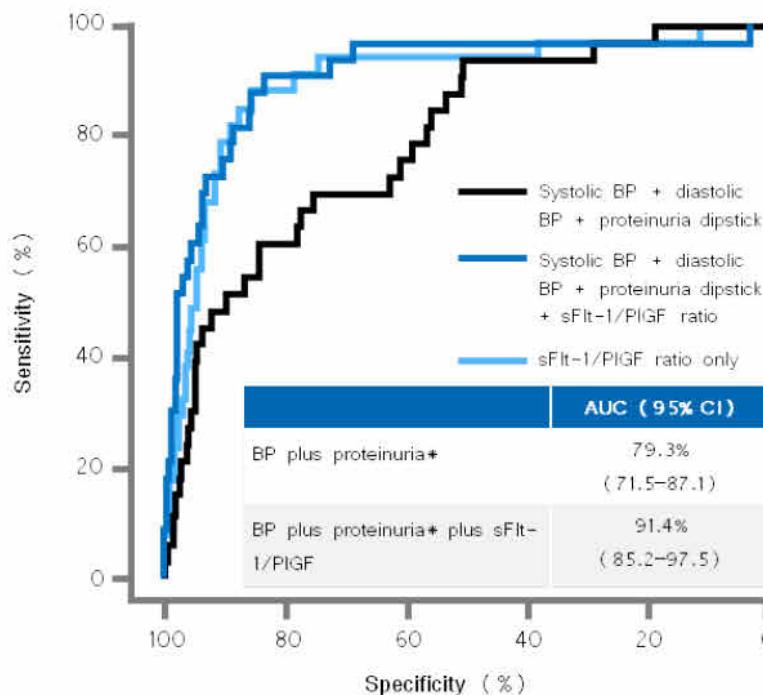
**sFlt-1/PIGF ratio cut-off of 38  
(rule-out)**

Estimate	Within 1 week	Within 2 weeks	Within 3 weeks	Within 4 weeks
% (95% CI)	99.3 (97.9–99.9)	97.9 (96.0–99.0)	95.7 (93.3–97.5)	94.3 (91.7–96.3)
NPV	80.0 (51.9–95.7)	78.0 (62.4–89.4)	70.0 (56.8–81.2)	66.2 (54.0–77.0)
Sensitivity	78.3 (74.6–81.7)	81.1 (77.5–84.4)	82.4 (78.8–85.7)	83.1 (79.4–86.3)

# The sFlt-1/PIGF ratio enabled better prediction of preeclampsia than clinical data alone

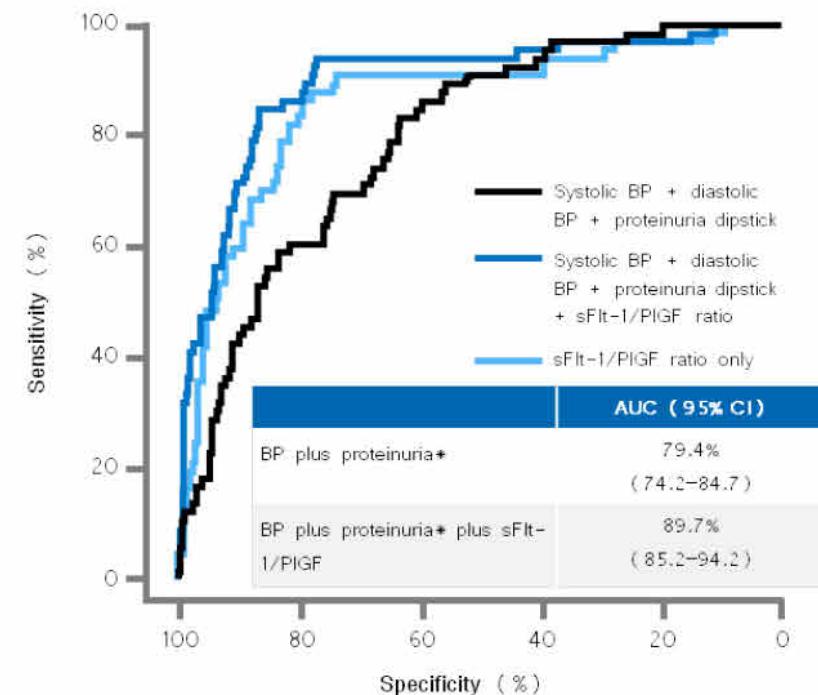
Rule out preeclampsia within

1 week



Rule in preeclampsia within

4 weeks

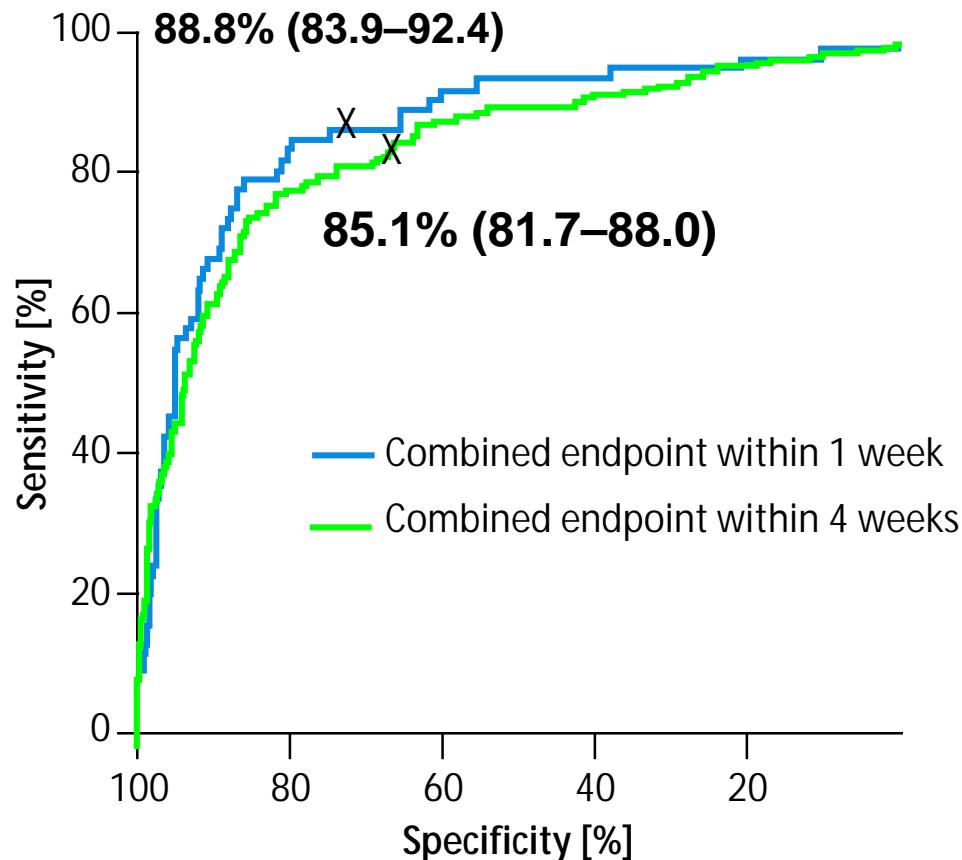


\*Systolic BP plus diastolic BP plus proteinuria dipstick

AUC = area under the curve; BP = blood pressure; CI = confidence interval; PIGF = placental growth factor sFlt-1 = soluble fms-like tyrosine kinase-1

# Prediction maternal/fetal adverse outcomes

sFlt-1/PIGF ratio cut-off of 38  
(rule-out and rule-in)



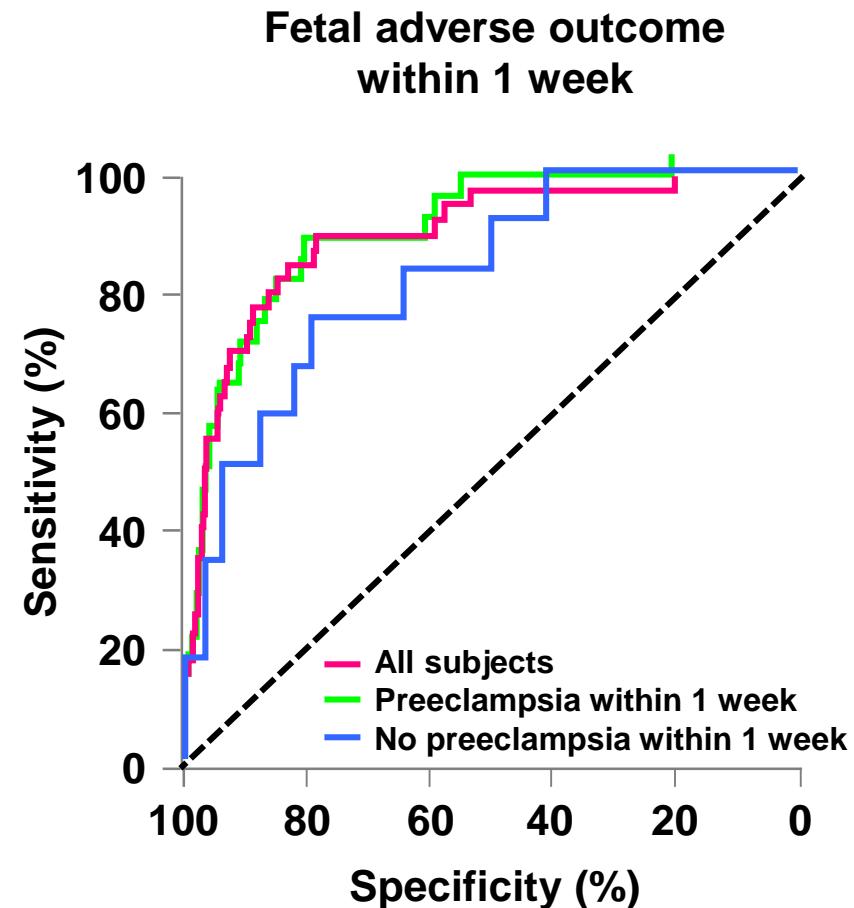
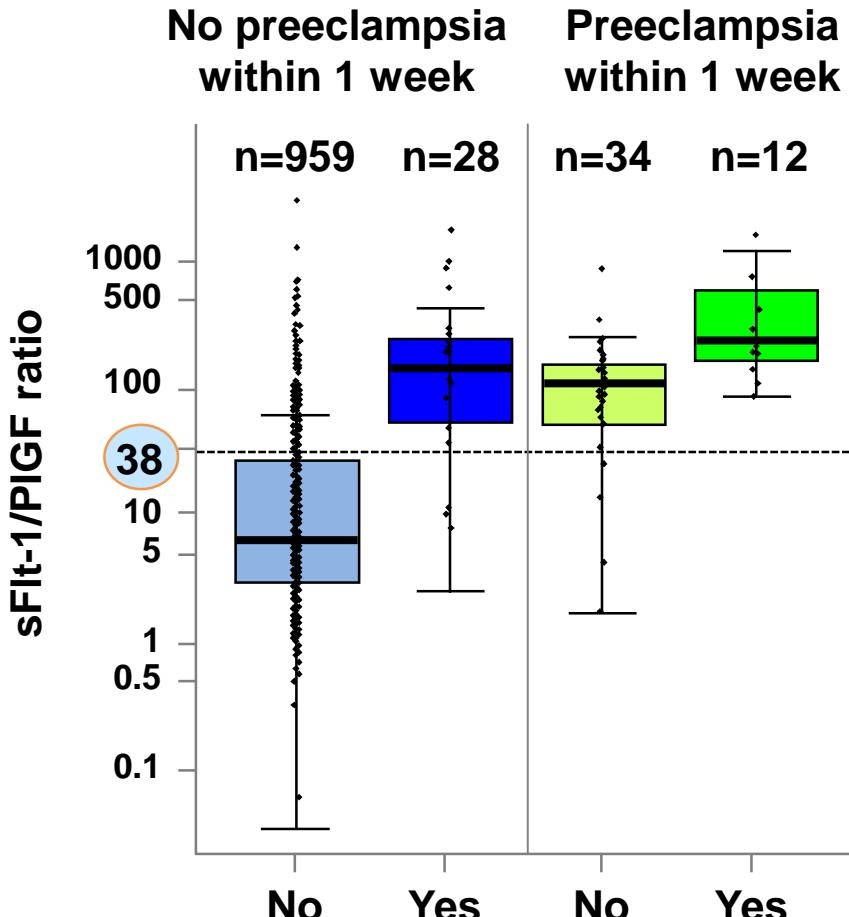
Combined endpoint within 1 week

	Estimate
NPV	98.5% (97.4–99.2)
PPV	24.9% (19.5–30.9)
Sensitivity	83.1% (72.3–91.0)
Specificity	81.4% (78.7–83.8)

Combined endpoint within 4 weeks

	Estimate
PPV	61.6% (55.1–67.8)
NPV	90.5% (88.2–92.4)
Sensitivity	66.1% (59.4–72.3)
Specificity	88.7% (86.3–90.8)

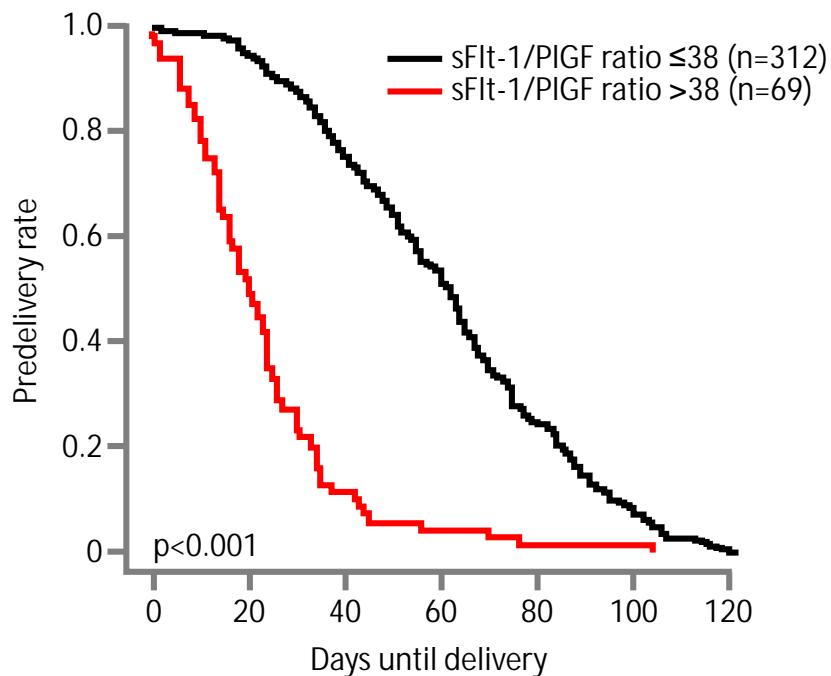
# Fetal adverse outcomes within 1 week



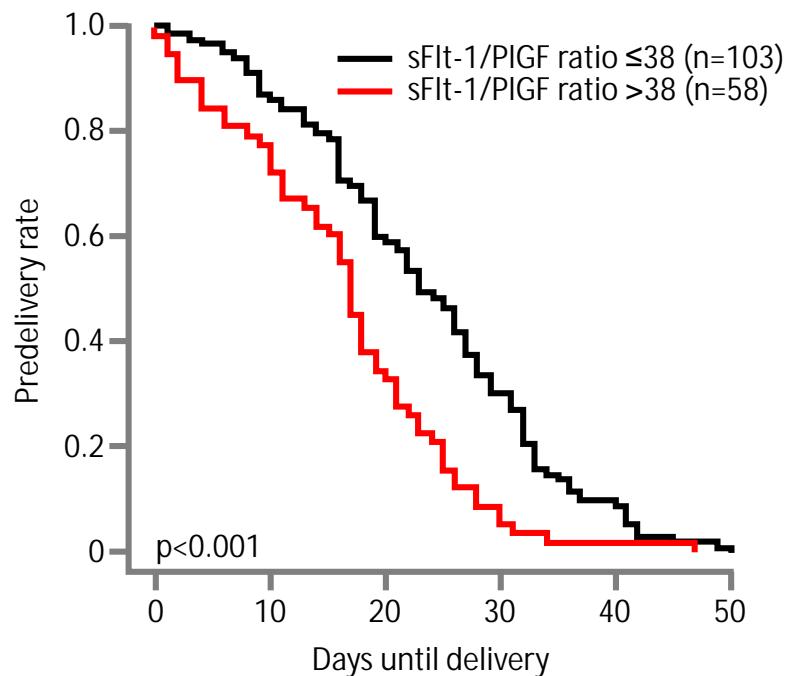
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# Time to delivery for women with suspicion of preeclampsia (sFlt-1/PIGF ratio of >38)

Visit 1 at early gestational phase



Visit 1 at late gestational phase

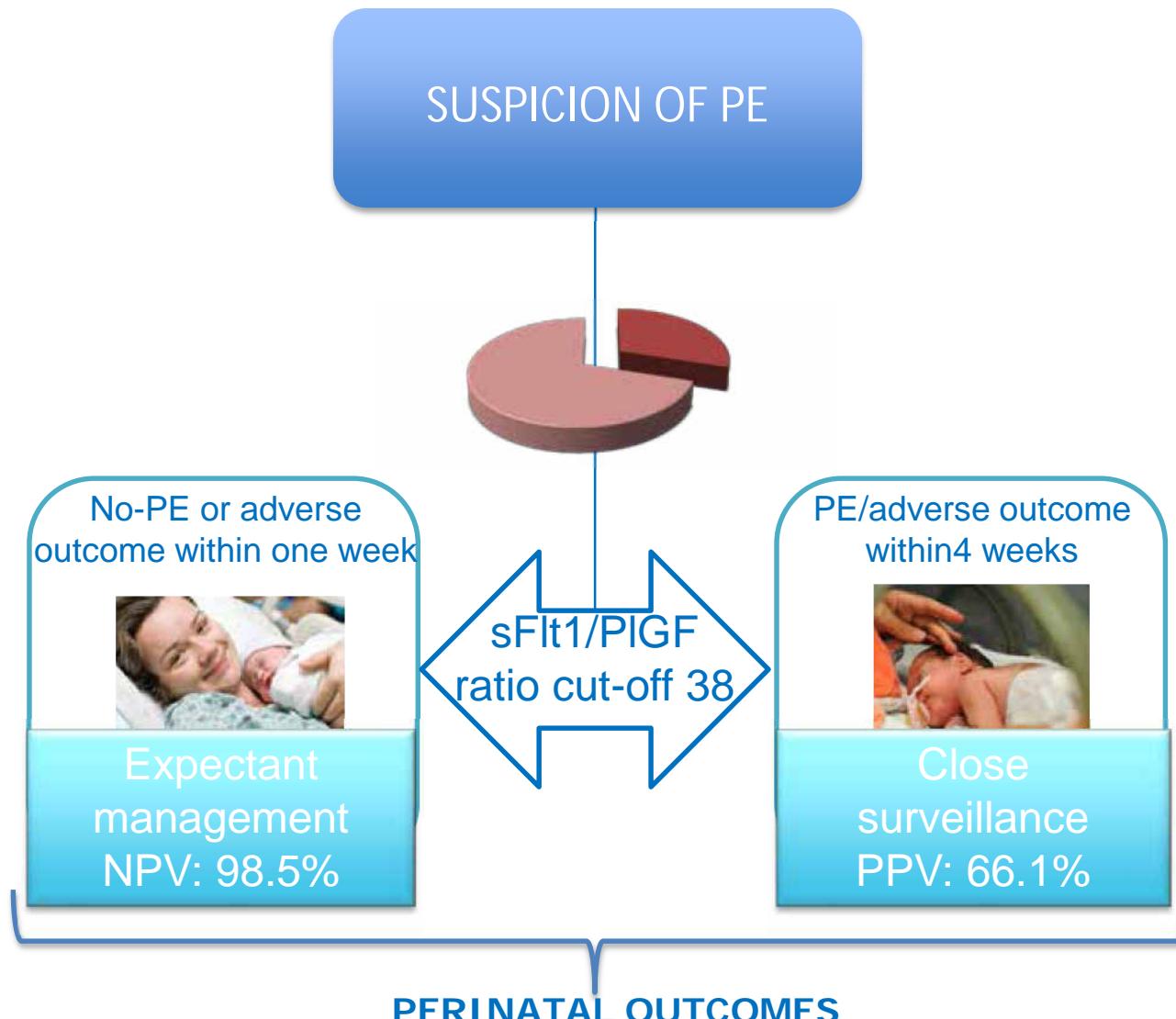


\*P values were calculated using a log rank test

Early gestational phase = 24 weeks plus 0 days to 33 weeks plus 6 days; Late gestational phase = 34 weeks plus 0 days onwards

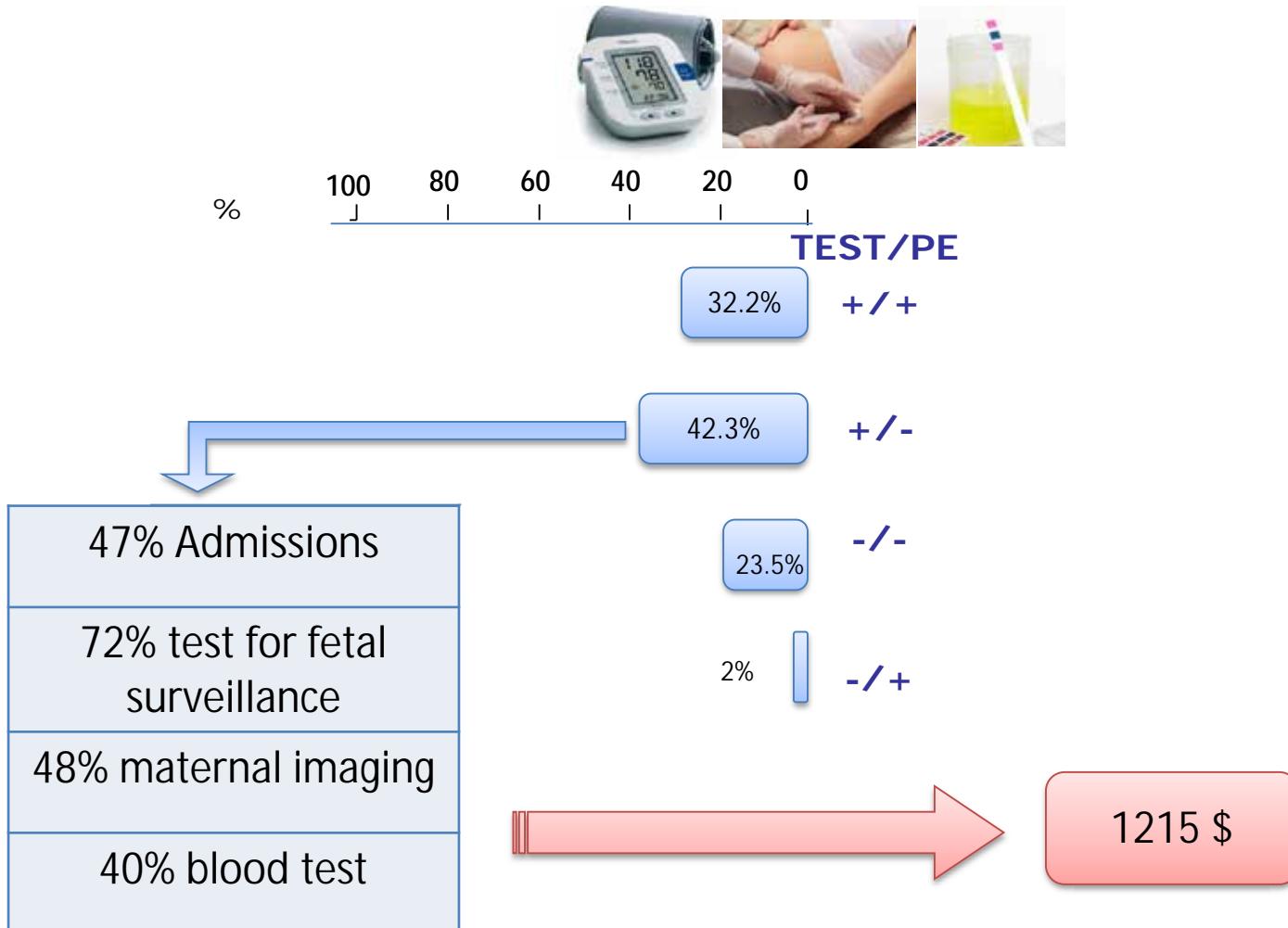
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## SUSPICION OF PREECLAMPSIA



# PreOS: Influence of sFlt-1 and PIGF on decision making of physicians in pregnant women with suspicion of preeclampsia

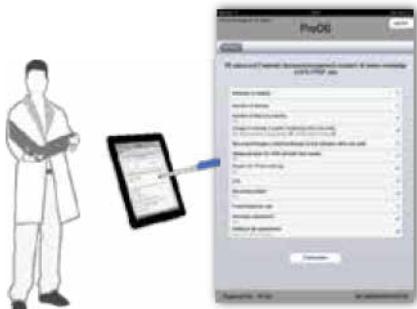
On behalf of the PreOS investigators

## Primary objective

To assess the influence of the sFlt-1/PIGF ratio on the decision making of physicians to hospitalize pregnant women with suspicion of preeclampsia

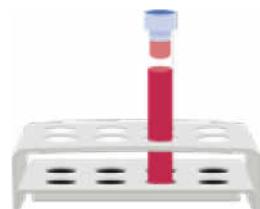
# PreOS study design

**Clinical decisions before  
knowledge of sFlt-1/PIGF ratio**



Medical data  
(except sFlt-1/PIGF ratio)  
available

Investigator decisions  
recorded using iPad®



Collection of serum for  
sFlt-1/PIGF measurement

Date/time of test result  
recorded

**Clinical decisions guided by  
knowledge of sFlt-1/PIGF ratio**



sFlt-1/PIGF ratio available  
to investigator

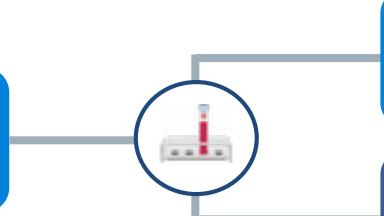
Revised or confirmed  
decisions recorded using  
iPad®

# Primary endpoint: Decision to hospitalize

## Hospitalization decision before test result known

Hospitalization  
n=40

No hospitalization  
n=78



## Hospitalization decision after test result known

Hospitalization  
n=27

No hospitalization  
n=13

Hospitalization  
n=7

No hospitalization  
n=71

Ü p=0.0002

Ü p=0.0156

A blue stick figure icon pointing right.

35.0 weeks at decision change

32.6 weeks at decision change

ÜAll changed decisions were appropriate as assessed by adjudication committee  
McNemar p value for any change was p<0.0001

# PREECLAMPSIA: CLINICAL SCENARIOS

Established PE



PPV= ~30%

BP plus proteinuria to predict preeclampsia-related adverse outcomes

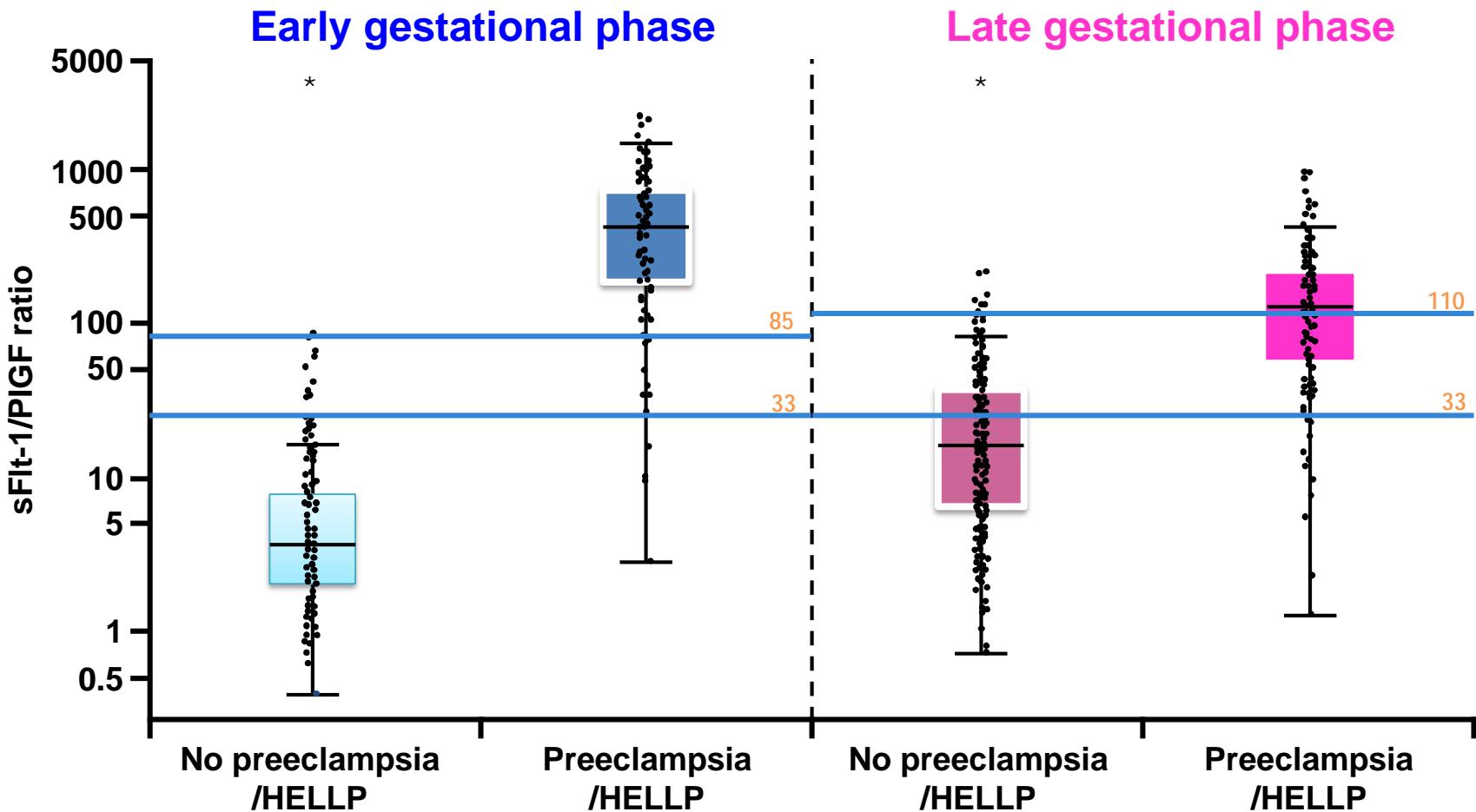
DIAGNOSIS

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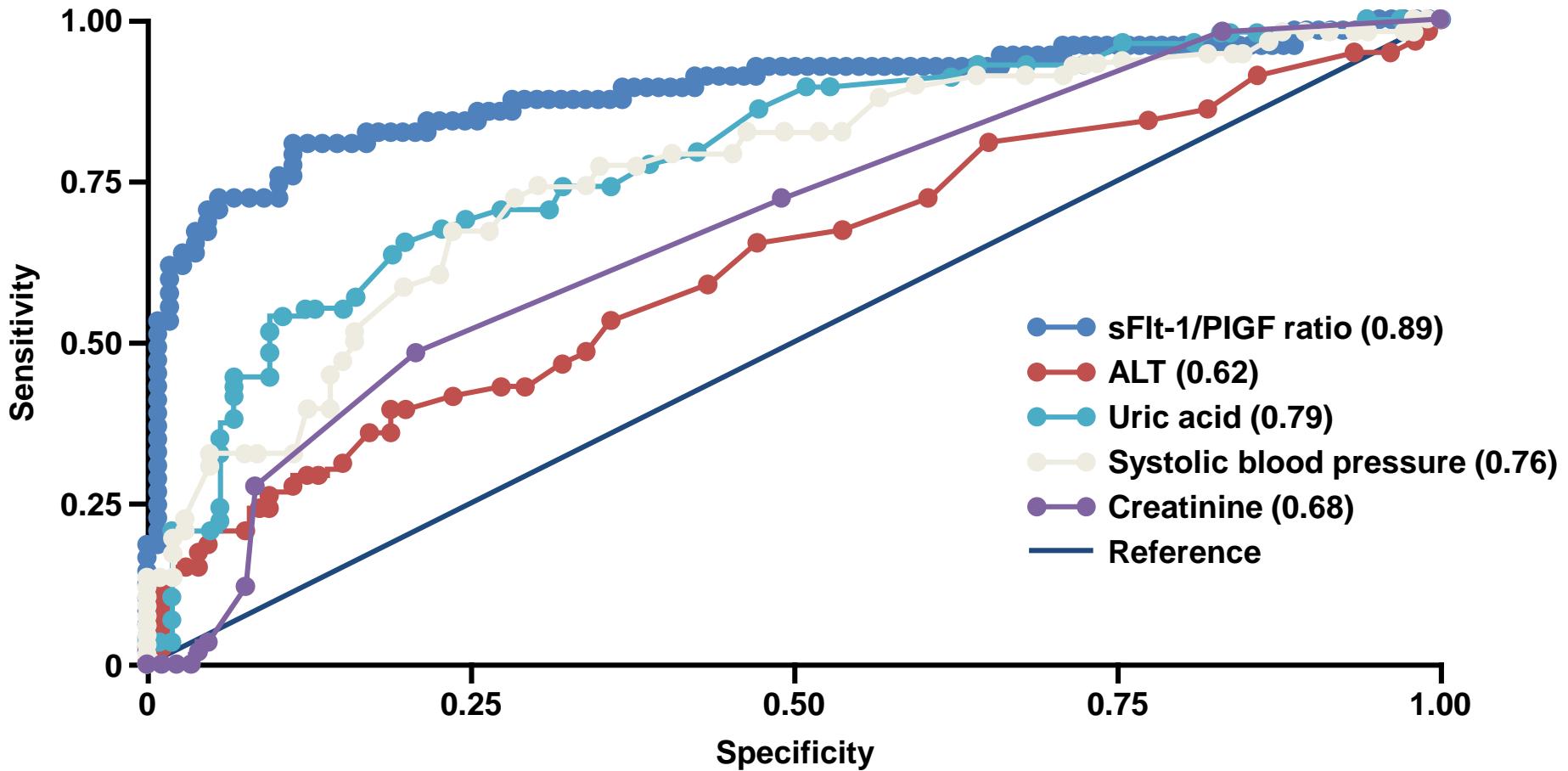
# sFlt-1/PIGF ratio for aid in diagnosis of preeclampsia



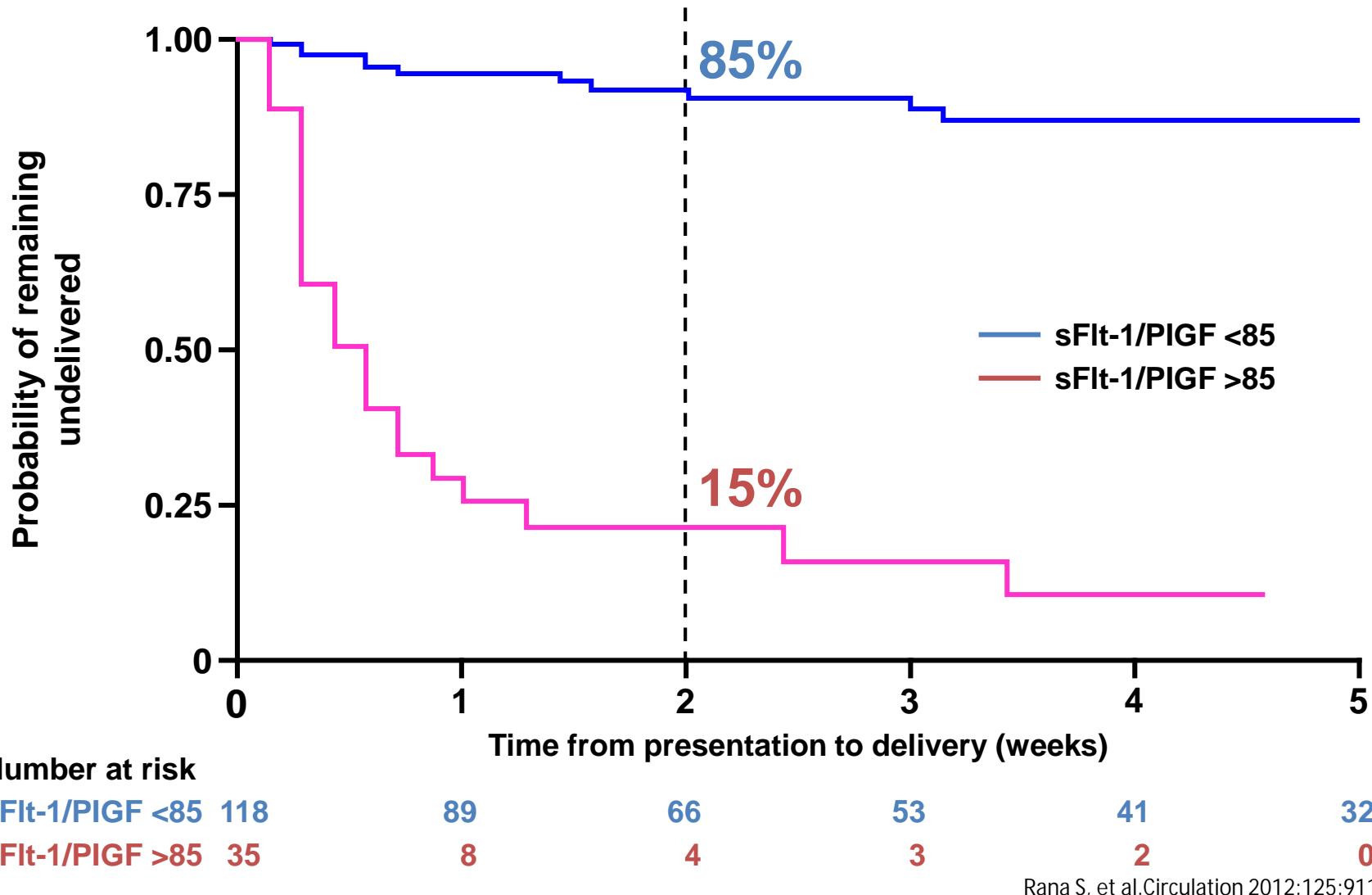
\* $p<0.001$  for the comparison preeclampsia HELLP vs no preeclampsia/HELLP  
HELLP, hemolysis, elevated liver enzymes, low platelets syndrome

Verloren S, et al. Hypertension, 2014;63:346–52

# sFlt-1/PIGF ratio for prognosis in patients with established preeclampsia



# sFlt-1/PIGF ratio and remaining pregnancy duration



# PREECLAMPSIA: CLINICAL SCENARIOS

Severe early-onset PE



PIERS to predict SEVERE  
preeclampsia-related adverse  
outcomes (48H)

MANAGEMENT

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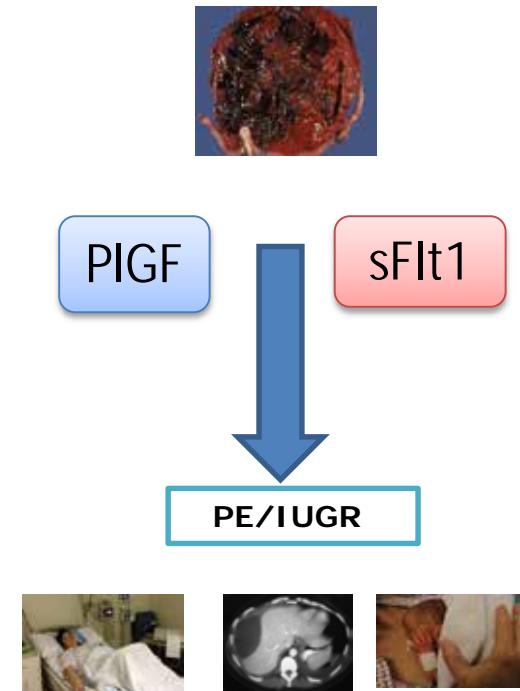
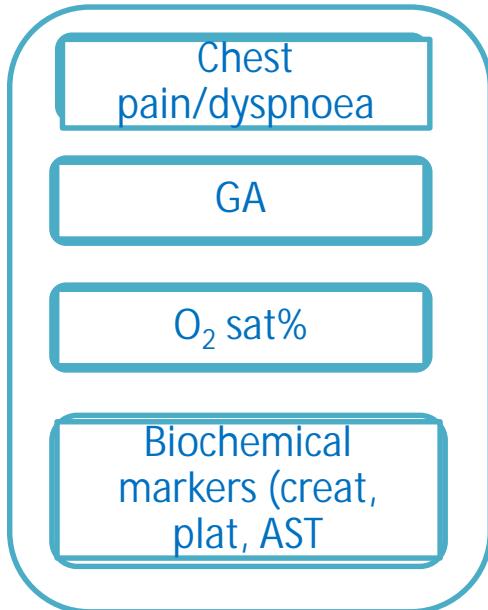
Severe early-onset PE/IUGR < 34w

Difficult prediction of adverse outcomes



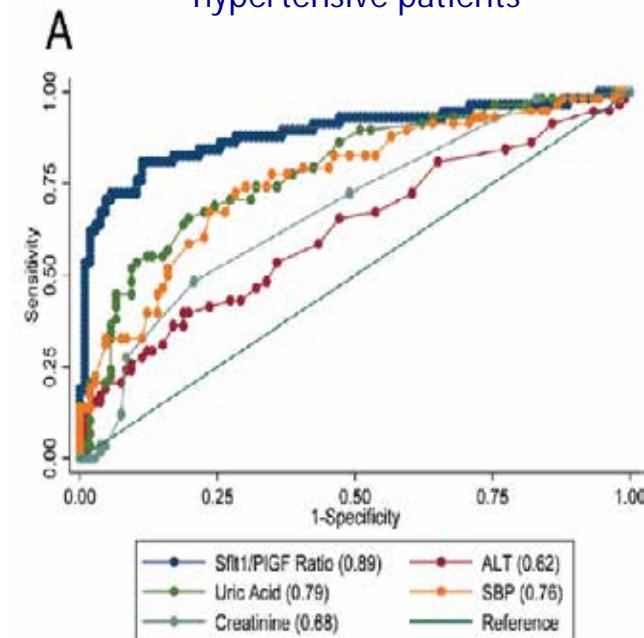
## PROPOSED APPROACHES

### Pre-eclampsia Integrated Estimate of RiSk (PIERS)



Levine RJ. N Engl J Med. 2004

Mixed population of hypertensive patients



Rana S, Circulation, 2012

# Aim: evaluate the predictive value of angiogenic factors in severe early-onset preeclampsia

## OBJECTIVE 1:

Association of sFlt1/PIGF ratio at admission

## OBJECTIVE 2:

Association Ratio progression from admission to delivery

## OBJECTIVE 3:

Predictive performance of sFlt1/PIGF ratio

with adverse maternal or fetal outcome

## Study design:

n= 46

severe early-onset PE +/-IUGR at 24.0-32.6 w  
sFlt-1/pIGF at admission and delivery



Admission to delivery interval: 6 d [5.8]

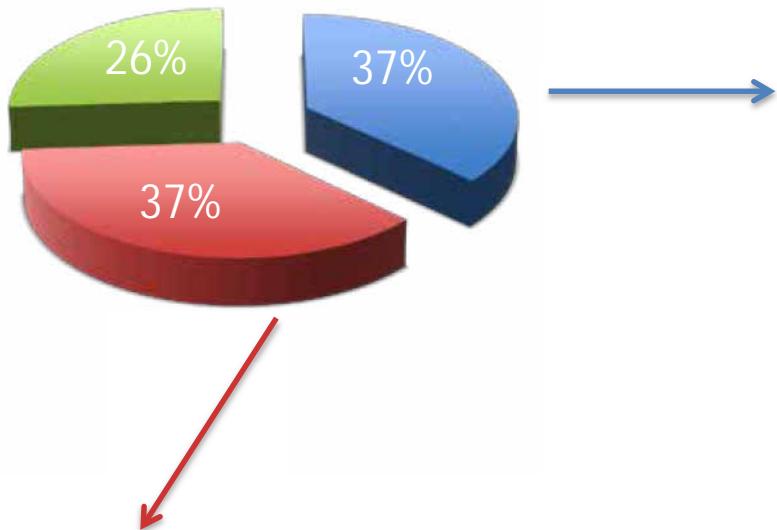
GA admission (w)	29 (2.8)
GA delivery (w)	30.5 (3)
PIERS >5%	7 (15%)
Birth weight (gr)	1194 (472)
Apgar 1'	6.4 (1.9)
Apgar 5'	8.5 (1.2)
Arterial Ph	7.21 (0.1)



# RESULTS

## ADVERSE OUTCOME

■ Maternal ■ Fetal ■ No complications

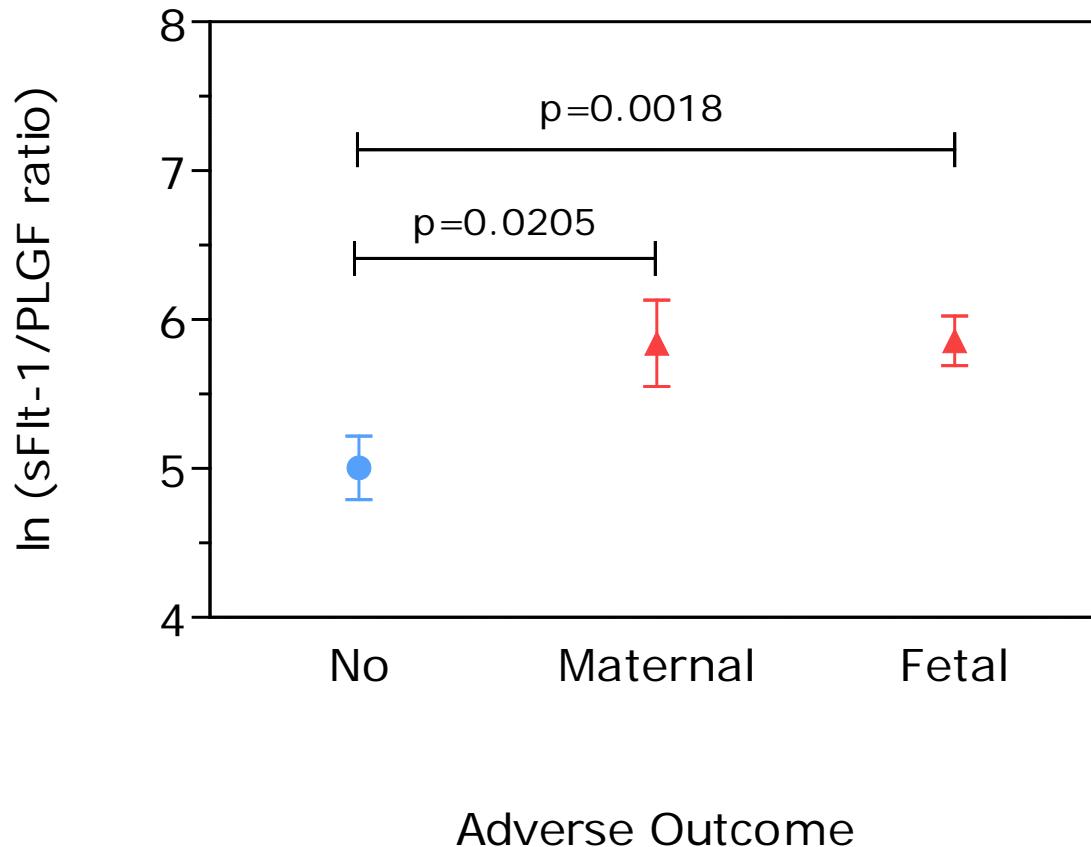


• Abruptio placenta	5 (10.8%)
• Severe HELLP	3 (6.5%)
• Pulmonary embolism	1 (2.1%)
• Cerebral haemorrhage	1 (2.1%)
• Severe headache or/and visual disturbances/severe hypertension	7 (15.2%)

• Non-reassuring fetal CTG	8 (17.3%)
• Reverse AU or absent/rev DV Doppler	9 (19.5%)

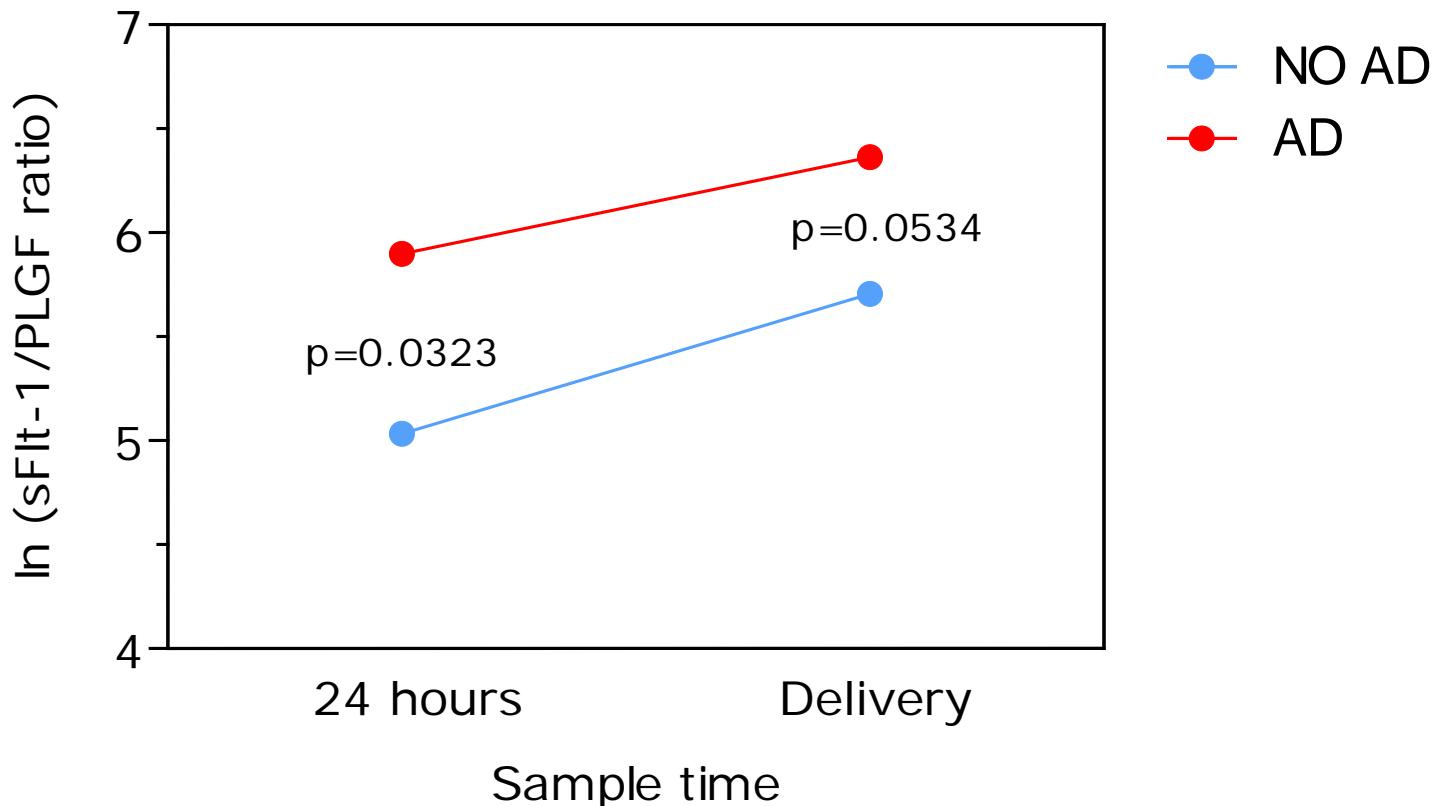
## RESULTS:

sFlt1/PIGF ratio at admission according to the presence or absence of adverse outcome



- Ü Circulating sFlt1/PIGF ratio was higher in those women with maternal or fetal adverse outcomes

## RESULTS: sFlt-1/PIGF Ratio progression and outcome

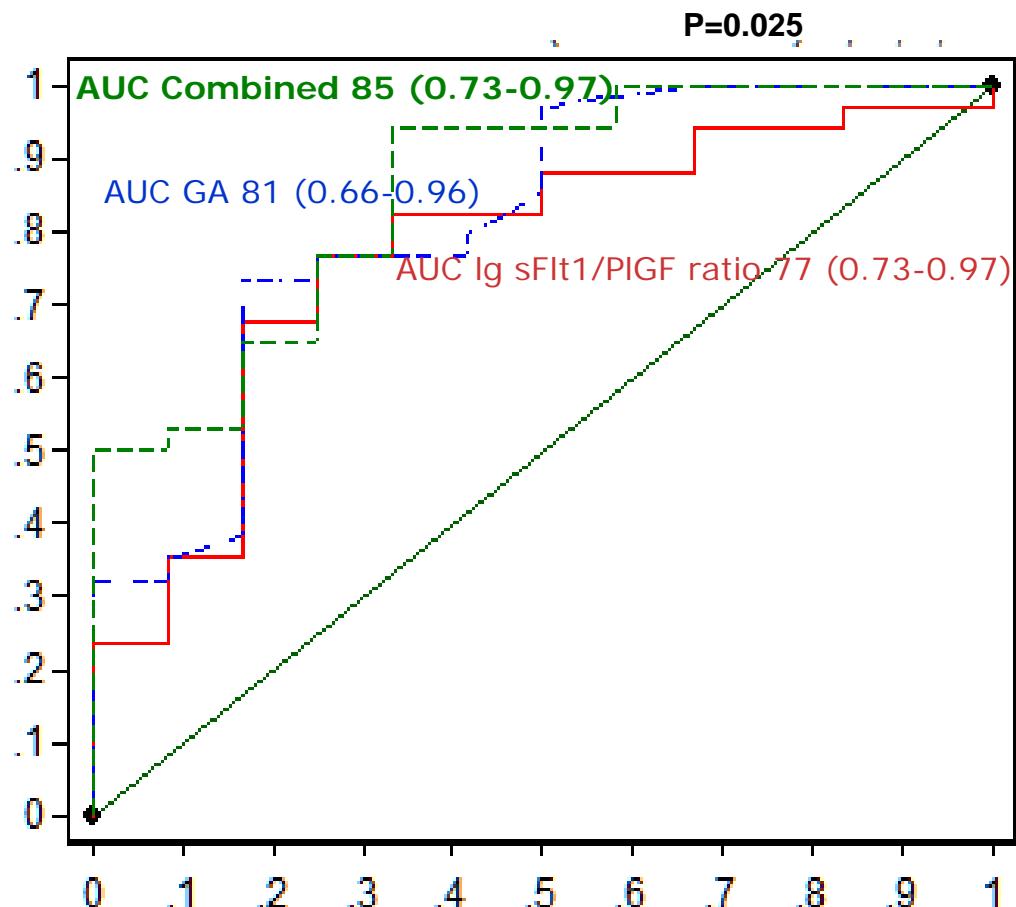


- Ü No differences in the ratio progression were observed according to the outcome.

## RESULTS:

### Predictive performance of sFlt1/PIGF ratio – Logistic regression

Screening test	OR	(95% CI)	P-value
GA	0.56	(0.37; 0.83)	0.004
sFlt1/PIGF	3.04	(1.21; 7.62)	0.017
Blood pressure	1.01	0.97; 1.06	0.62
Creat	2.16	0.10; 6.61	0.34
ALT	0.95	(0.98; 1.00)	0.34
LDH	1.01	(1.00; 1.01)	0.13



- Ü sFlt-1/PIGF ratio in combination with gestational age may be useful for the prognostic assessment of maternal and fetal complications at the time of diagnosis of early-onset PE.

## TAKE HOME MESSAGES

Se recomienda centrar esfuerzos en las pacientes con sospecha clínica de preeclampsia, donde existen más riesgo de acontecimientos adversos maternos y fetales.

El ratio sFlt1/PIGF ha demostrado su utilidad en discriminar aquellas pacientes con riesgo de desarrollar la enfermedad respecto a las pacientes que no van a desarrollar la enfermedad en las próximas 1 y 4 semanas.

El ratio sFlt1/PIGF es más eficaz que los signos y síntomas clásicos de la enfermedad para determinar aquellas pacientes con mayor riesgo de complicaciones maternas y/o fetales

En el futuro, los factores angiogénicos se incorporarán a la definición, pronóstico y monitorización de la PE

PIGF-based testing to help diagnose suspected pre-eclampsia (Triage PIGF test, Elecsys immunoassay sFlt-1/PIGF ratio, DELFIA Xpress PIGF 1-2-3 test, and BRAHMS sFlt-1 Kryptor/BRAHMS PIGF plus Kryptor PE ratio)

Diagnostics guidance

Published: 11 May 2016  
[nice.org.uk/guidance/dg23](http://nice.org.uk/guidance/dg23)

# Recomendaciones

- 1.-The Triage PIgf test and the Elecsys immunoassay sFlt-1/PIgf ratio, used with standard clinical assessment and subsequent clinical follow-up, are recommended to help **rule-out** pre-eclampsia in women presenting with **suspected pre-eclampsia between 20 weeks and 34 weeks plus 6 days of gestation.**
- 2.-The Triage PIgf test and the Elecsys immunoassay sFlt-1/PIgf ratio, used with standard clinical assessment and subsequent clinical follow-up, show promise in helping to diagnose (**rule-in**) pre-eclampsia in women presenting with **suspected pre-eclampsia between 20 weeks and 34 weeks plus 6 days of gestation.** However, there is currently **insufficient evidence** to recommend their routine adoption for diagnosing pre-eclampsia in the NHS

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Expediente N°  
PI16/00375

**TITULO:** Incorporación del ratio sFlt1/PIGF en el diagnóstico y clasificación de preeclampsia: Ensayo clínico randomizado (EuroPE estudio)

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Sospecha clínica  
(criterios PROGNOSIS)

PE clínica  
(gold standard: definición  
ISSHP)

## RANDOMIZACIÓN

Grupo Estudio (RATIO)

Grupo Control (No-RATIO)

<38

38-84

>85

No PE –  
reevaluar en 4  
semanas

No PE –  
reeevaluar en 1  
semana

TA>140/90 y  
labstix 2+ / >  
300mg/d  
Prot.  
+  
>210

TA >140/90 y  
labstix 2+ / >  
300mg/d Prot.  
+  
>600

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300mg/d Prot.

TA <140/90 Y  
labstix ≤1+ /  
<300mg/d Prot.

Diagnóstico  
de PE  
(manejo según  
protocolo)

Diagnóstico  
de PE grave  
(manejo según  
protocolo)

Finalizar  
gestación

Diagnóstico  
de PE  
(manejo según  
protocolo)

Objetivo 1ario: mejores resultados materno-fetales en grupo RATIO



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## MULTIPLE PREGNANCIES

The Elecsys® immunoassay sFlt-1/PIGF ratio, sFlt-1, and PIGF reference ranges in normal multiple pregnancies

Median (5th–95th percentile)	Gestational age (w+d)					
	10+0–14+6	15+0–19+6	20+0–23+6	24+0–28+6	29+0–33+6	34+0–36+6
	Multiple					
	n=75	n=201	n=180	n=192	n=77	n=33
sFlt-1/PIGF ratio	30.73 (6.84–50.22)	6.35 (2.29–14.82)	3.82 (1.34–11.62)	4.31 (1.32–43.68)	41.56 (4.53–152.53)	72.97 (24.15–98.22)
sFlt-1	1993 (1009–4457)	2461 (1291–5090)	2560 (1287–4815)	2982 (1483–10135)	8909 (2483–25605)	11958 (6492–56670)
PIGF	71 (31–321)	400 (195–201)	637 (280–1637)	665 (167–1796)	255 (87–858)	213 (93–395)

**Table. NPV using the sFlt-1/PIGF ratio cut-off value of 38 to rule out preeclampsia within one, two, three, and four weeks after testing**

% (95% CI)	Within 1 week	Within 2 weeks	Within 3 weeks	Within 4 weeks
<b>NPV</b>	99.3 (97.9–99.9)	97.9 (96.0–99.0)	95.7 (93.3–97.5)	94.3 (91.7–96.3)
<b>Sensitivity</b>	80.0 (51.9–95.7)	78.0 (62.4–89.4)	70.0 (56.8–81.2)	66.2 (54.0–77.0)
<b>Specificity</b>	78.3 (74.6–81.7)	81.1 (77.5–84.4)	82.4 (78.8–85.7)	83.1 (79.4–86.3)