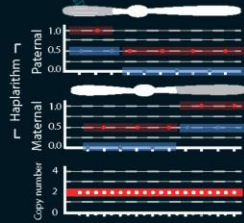


All-in-one PGT



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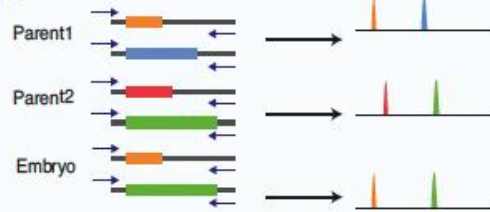
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Traditional PGT – nuclear DNA

PGT-M Methods

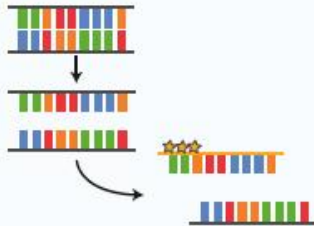
PCR-STR marker



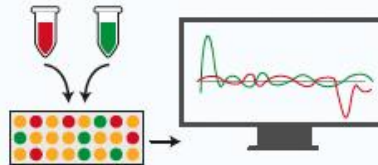
- Locus-specific pathogenic variant detection protocol
- Family and locus-specific protocol

PGT-SR Methods

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FISH

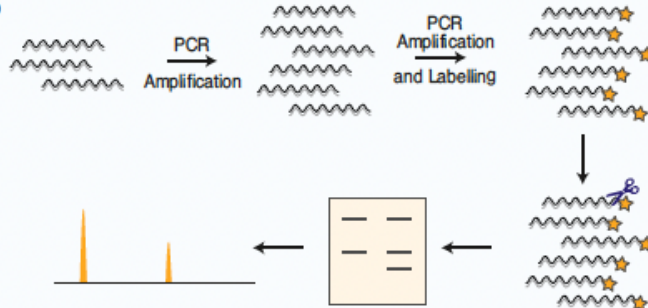
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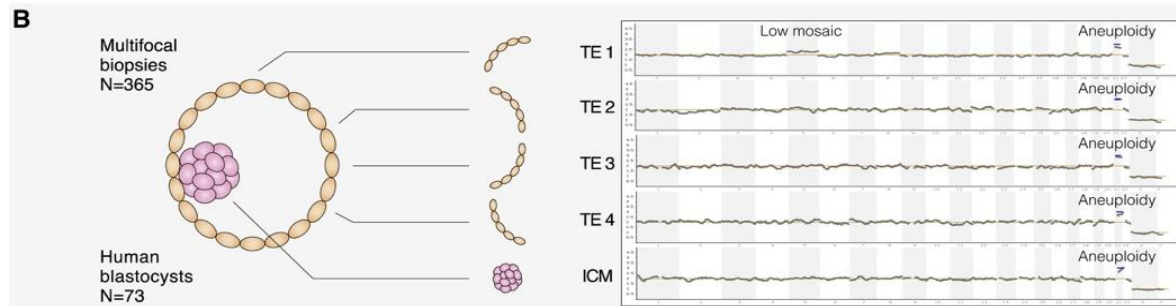
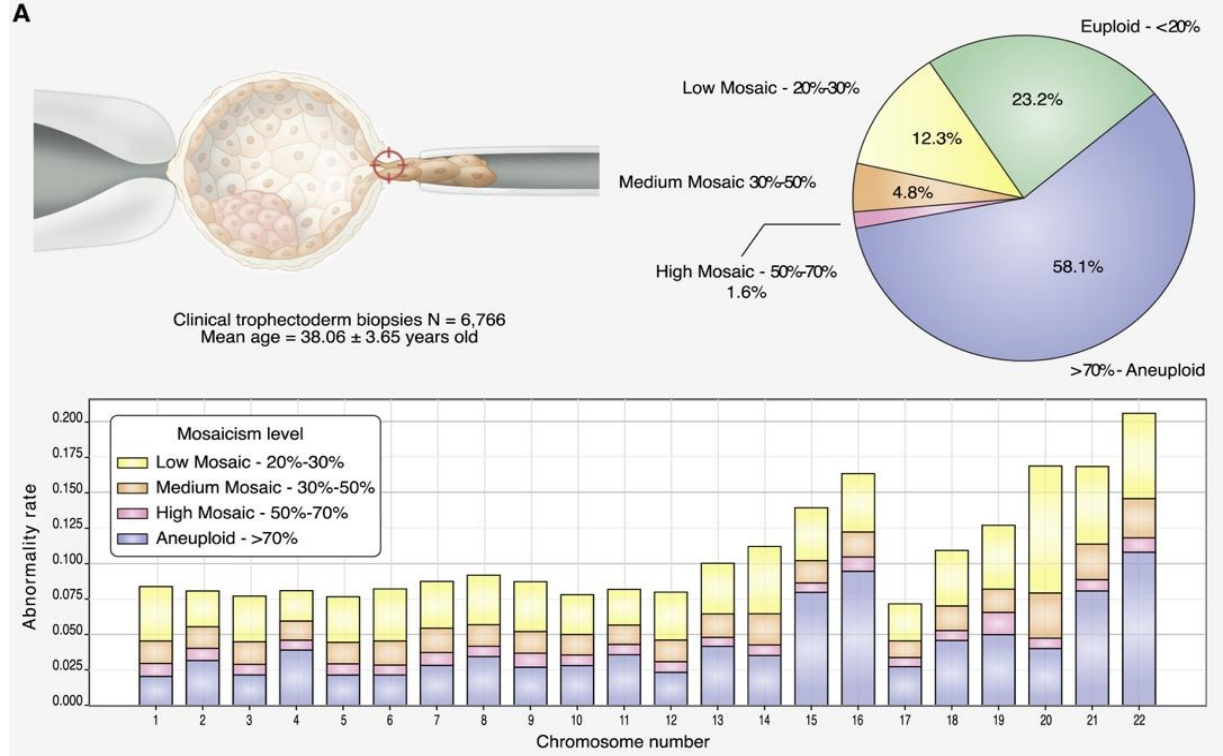
- + Flexible PGT-SR
- No breakpoint detection
- No normal vs balanced translocation

Traditional PGT – mitochondrial DNA

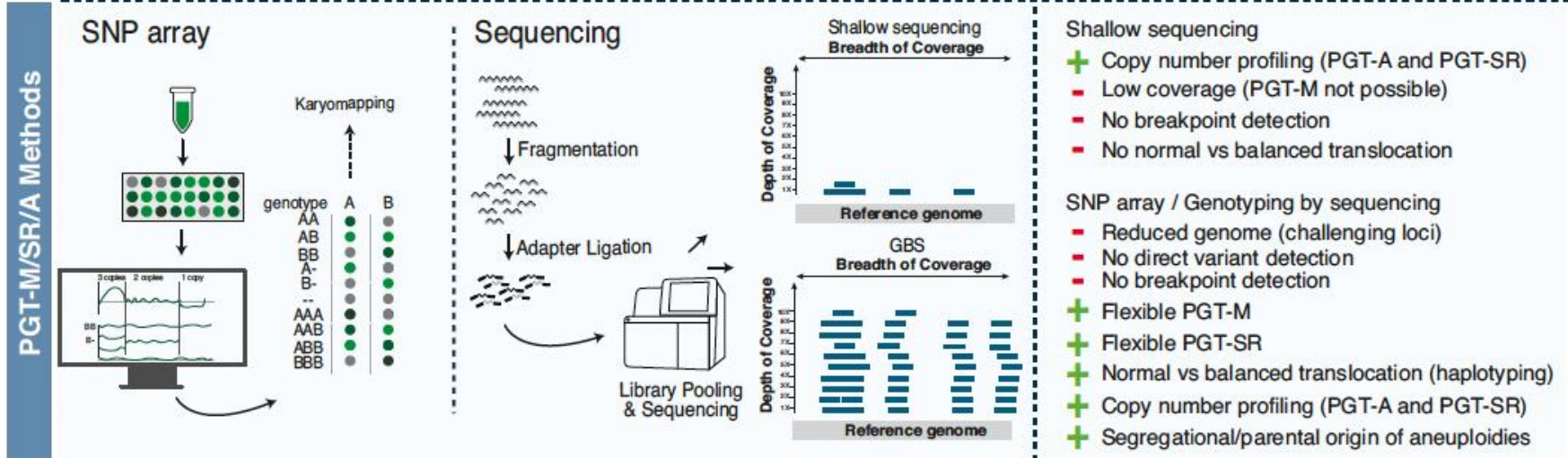
PCR-RFLP



- Family and locus-specific protocol
- Protocol duration of 2 days
- Day-3 biopsy
- Calibration curve needed for signal quantification (indirect method)



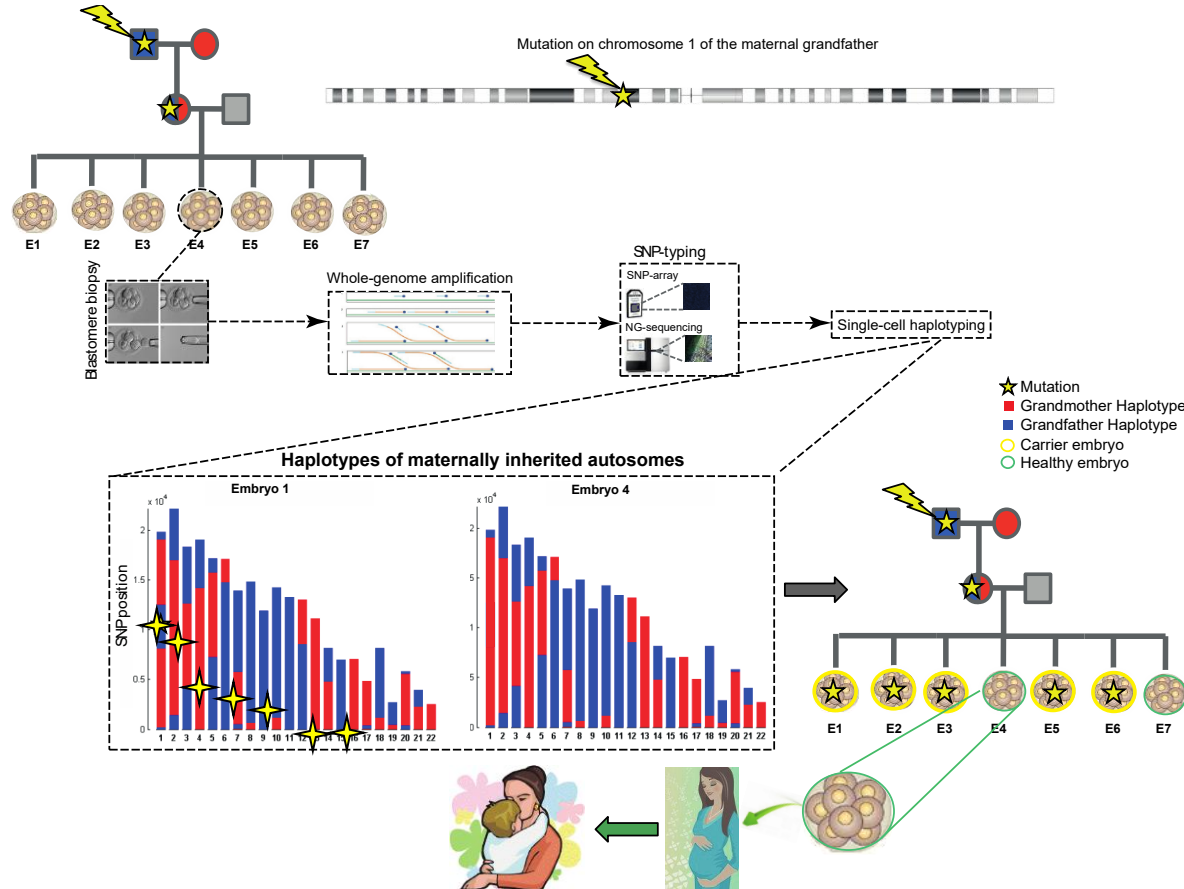
SNP + copy-number profiling



Karyomapping (Handyside et al. 2009) **Haplotyping**

Haplarithmisis (Zamani Esteki et al. 2015) **Haplotyping + copy-number typing**

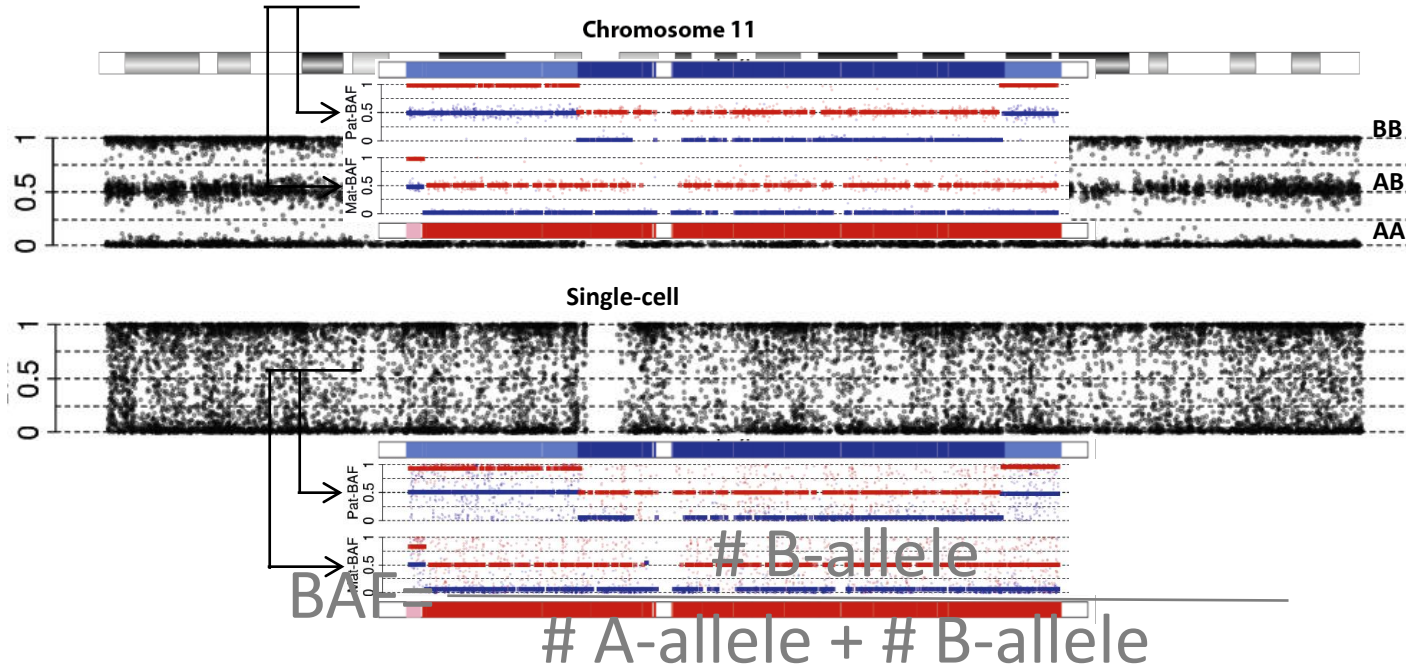
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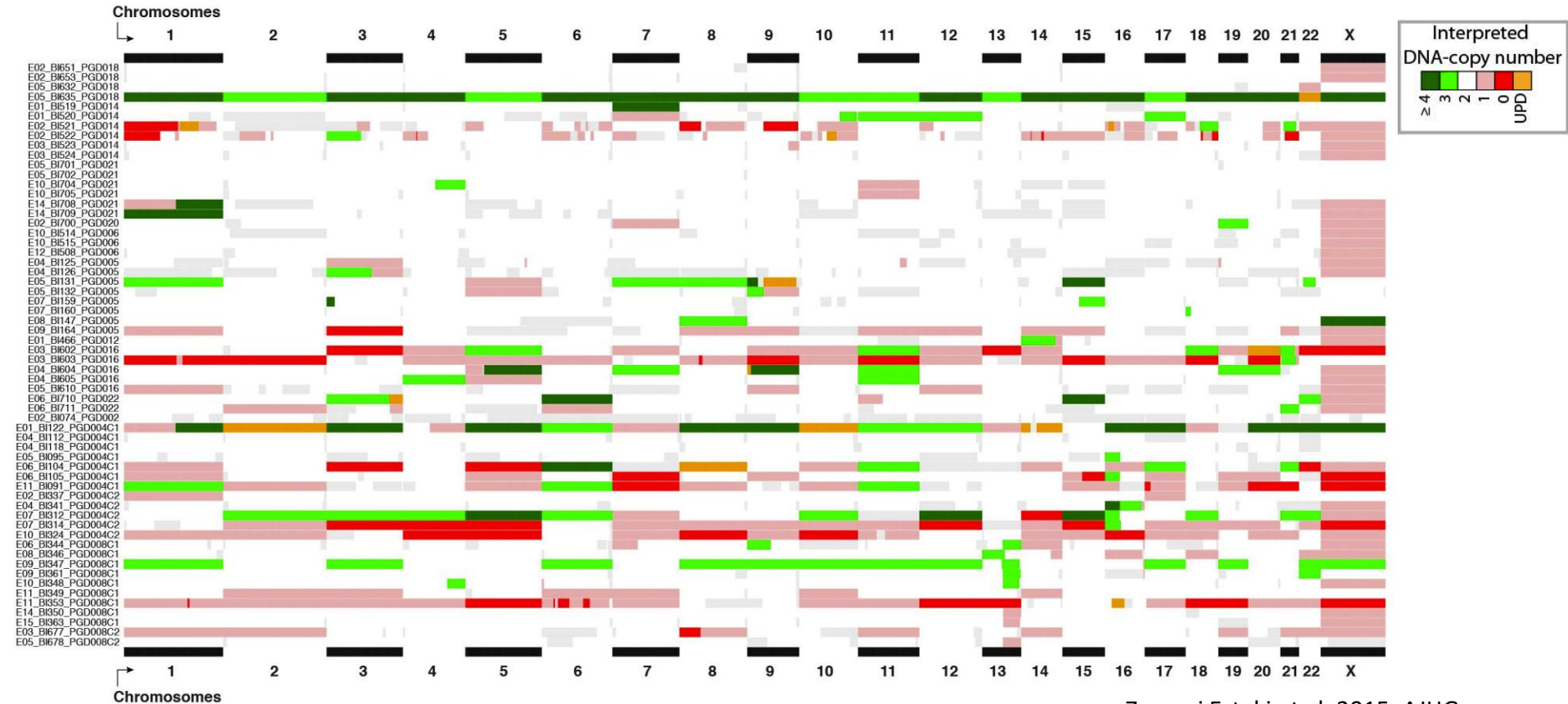
Single-Cell SNP-Balancing

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(Haplotype numbering)



Chromosome anomalies in >80% of the IVF embryos



All forms of PGT via massively parallel sequencing

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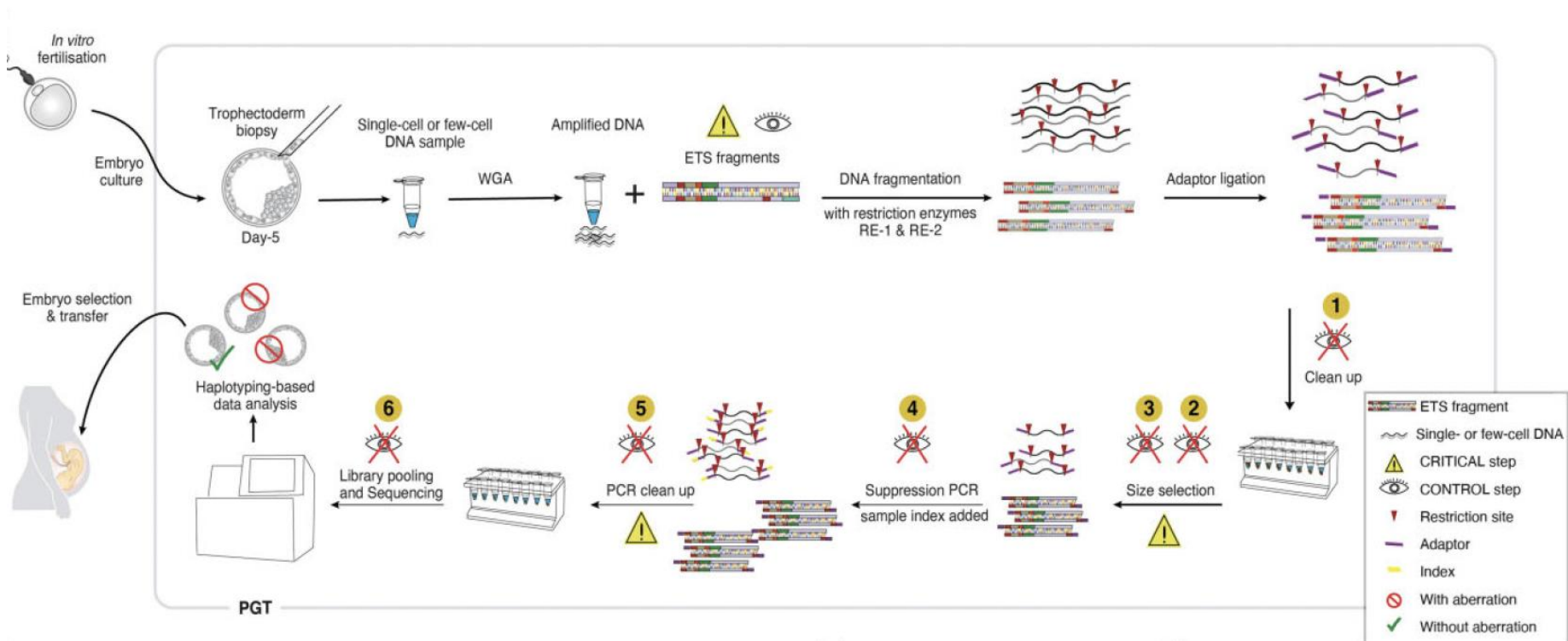
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Towards automation of genotyping-by-sequencing

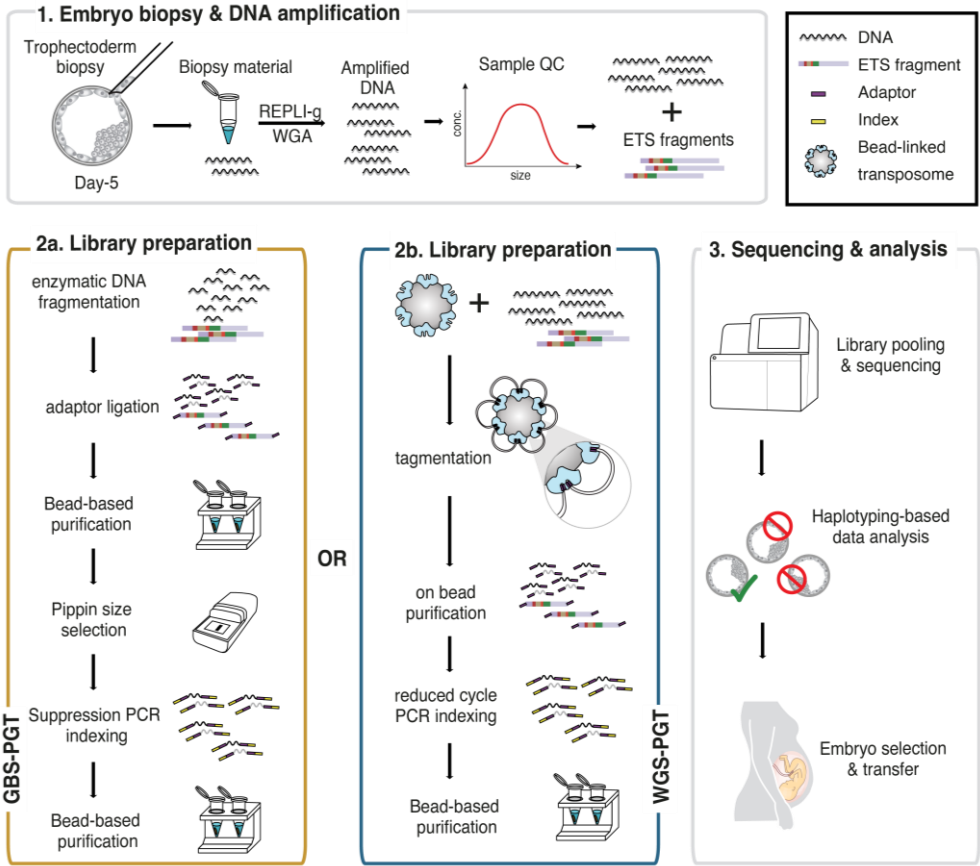


Clinical-grade whole genome sequencing-based haplarithmism enables all forms of preimplantation genetic testing

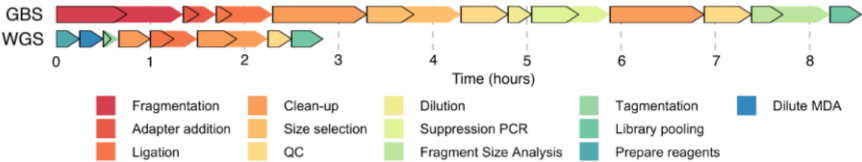
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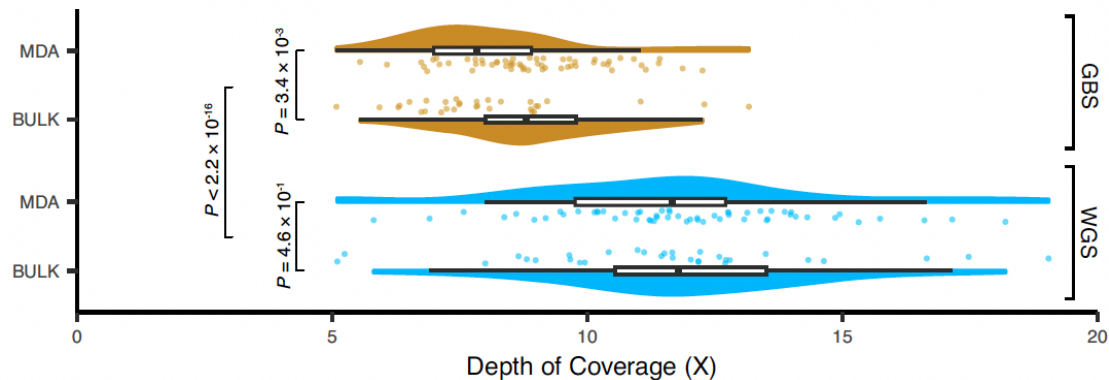
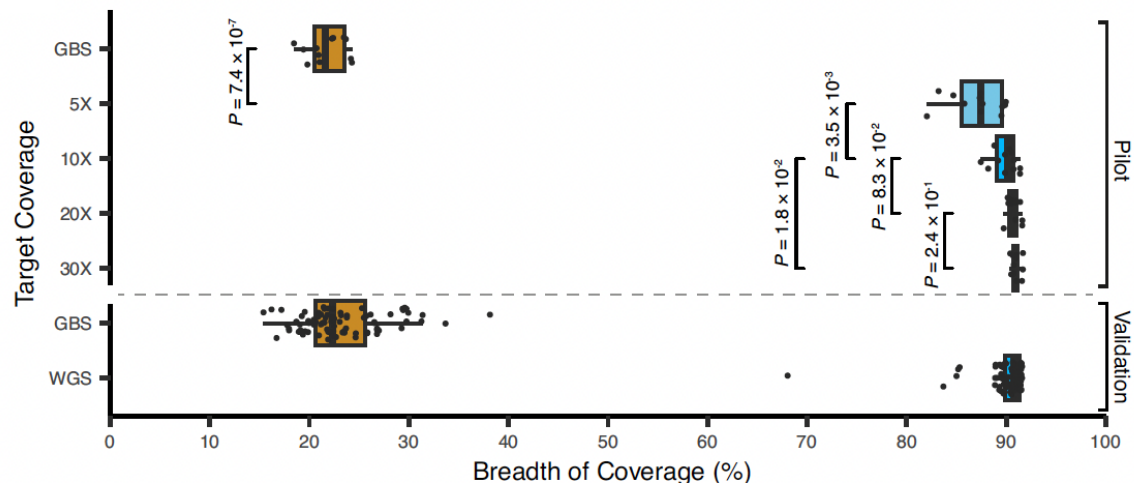
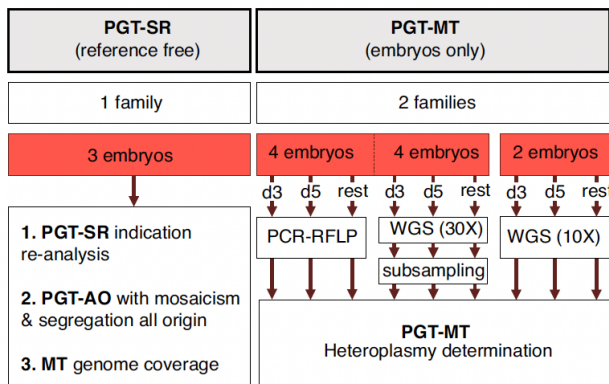
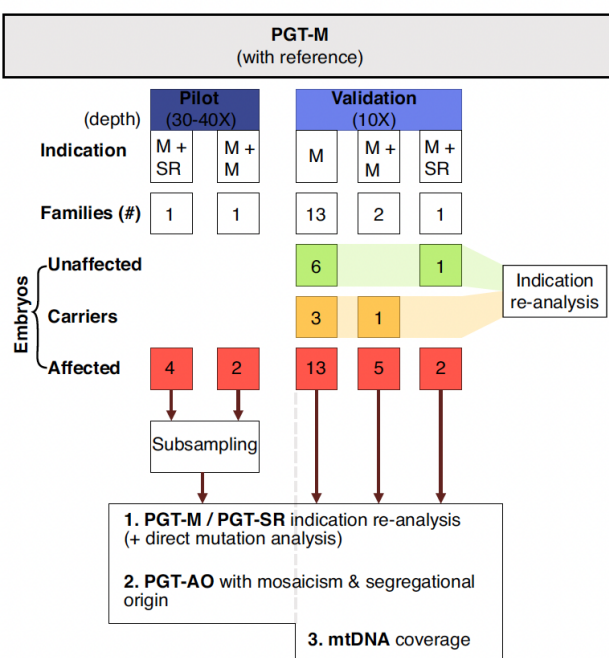
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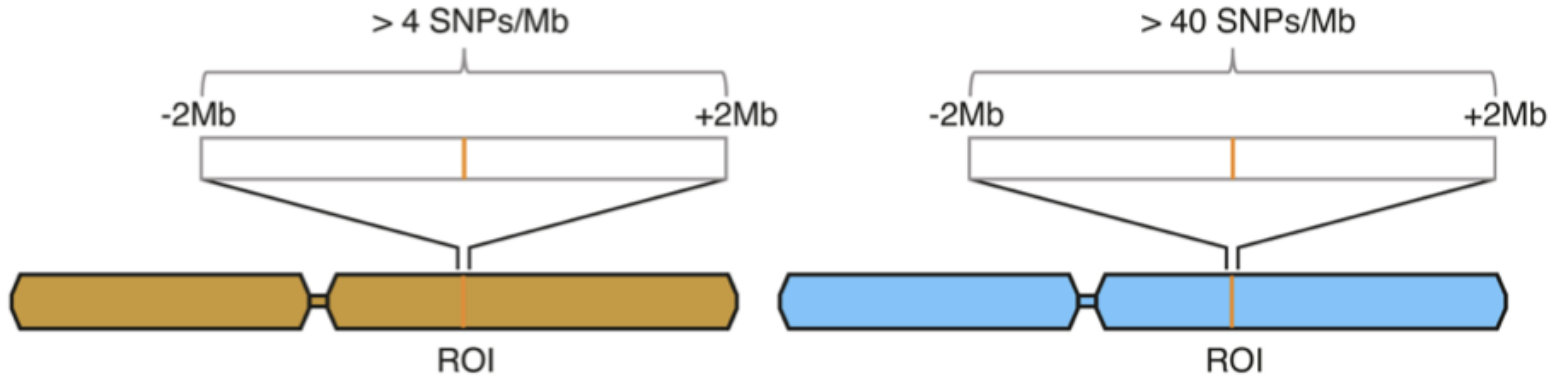


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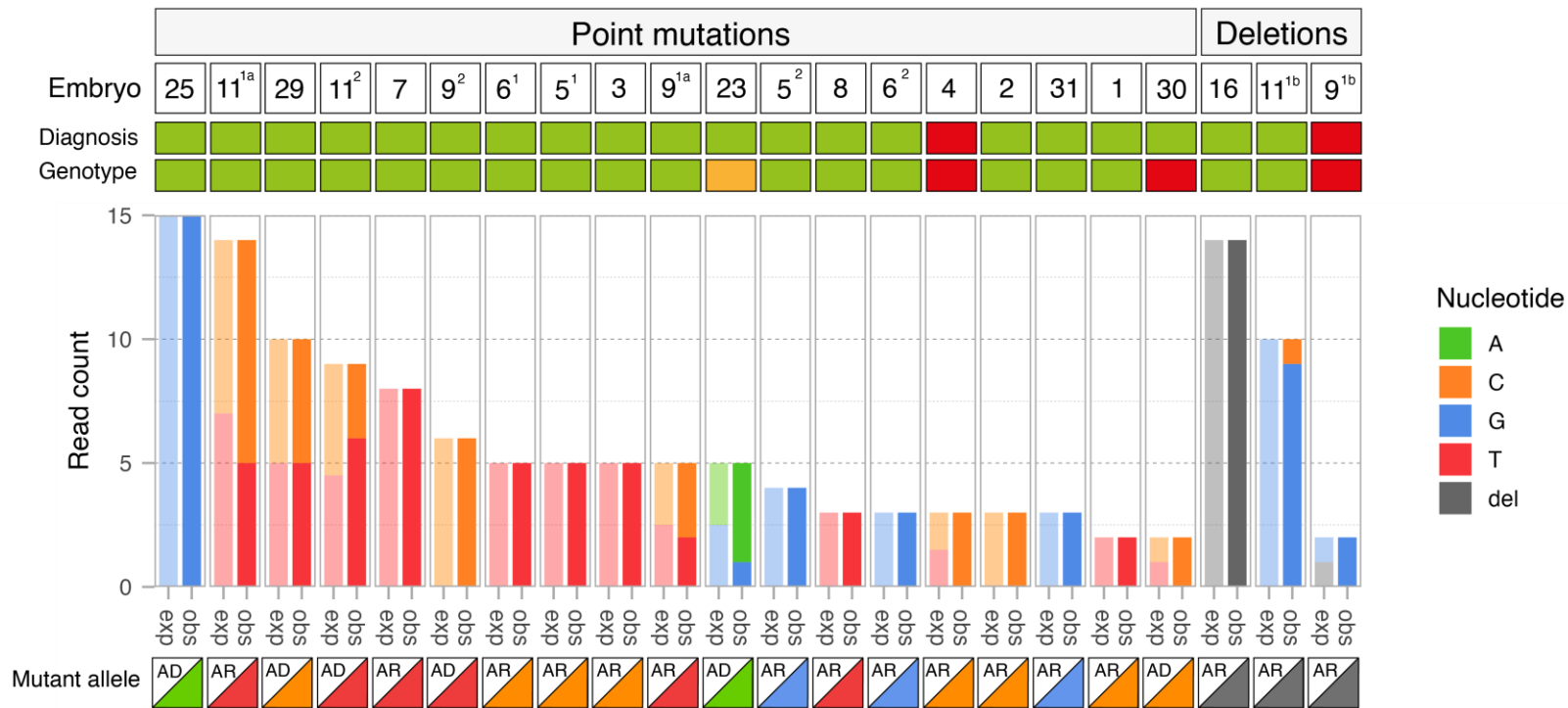
PGT-M with extreme accuracy



$$P(X = k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1 - p)^{n-k}$$

$$P = 4.77 \times 10^{-74}$$

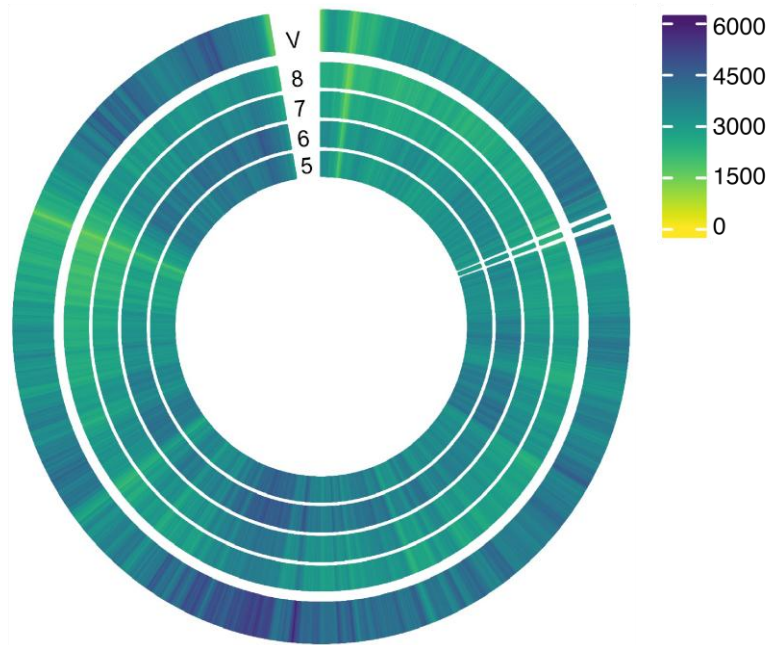
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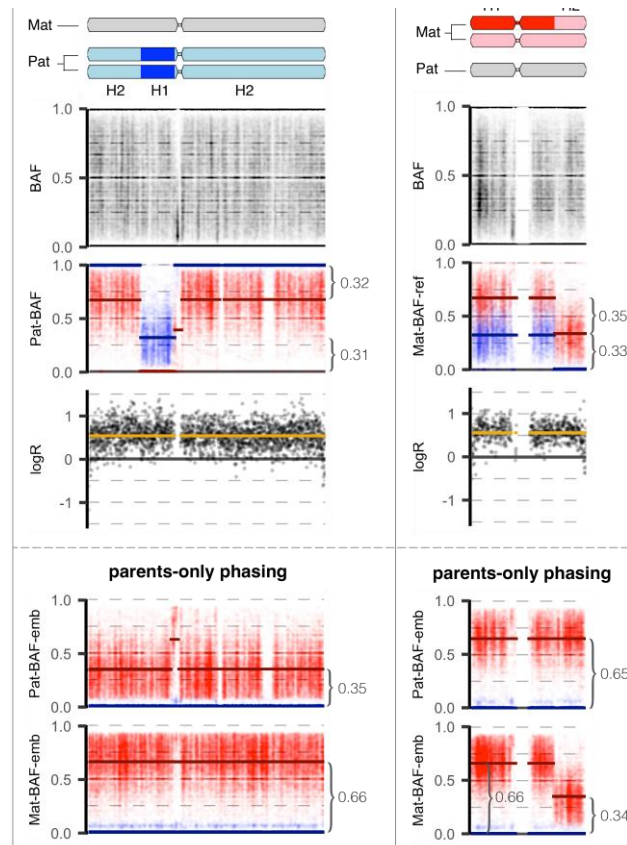
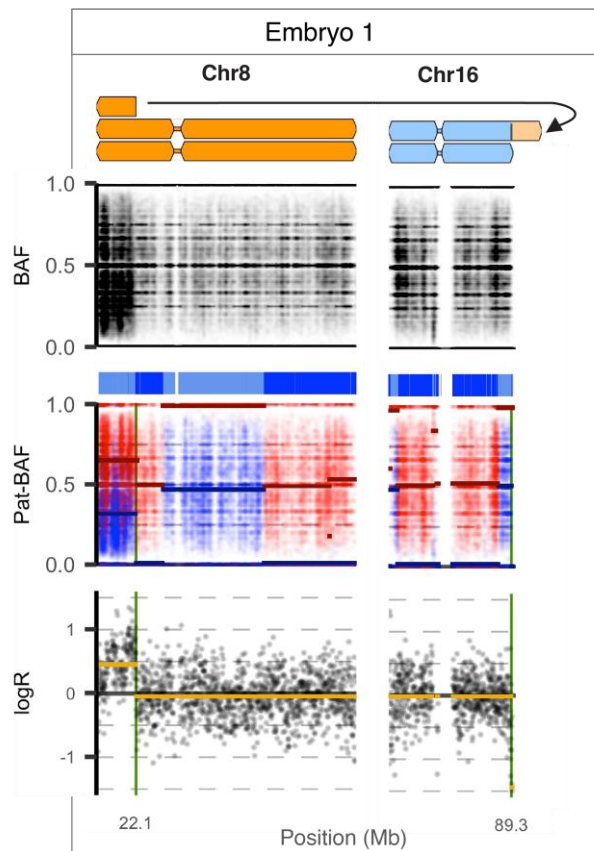
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PGT-MT heteroplasmy

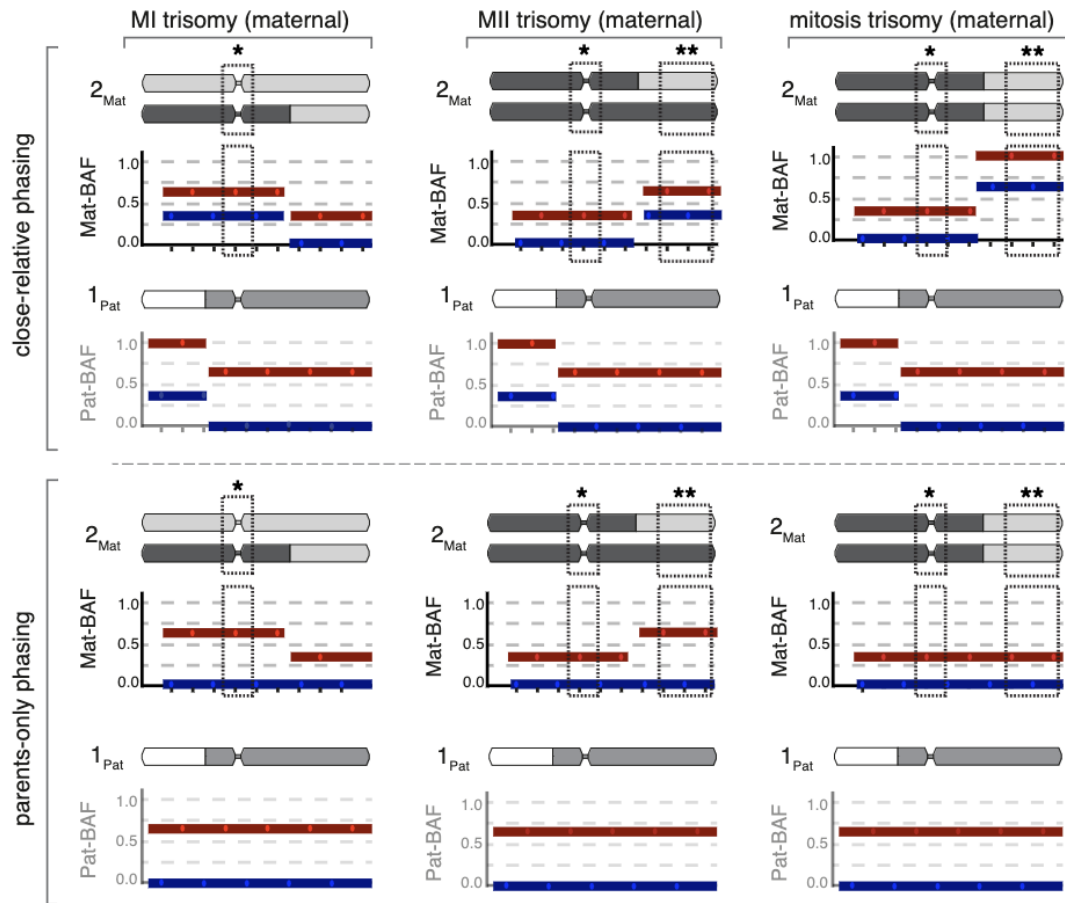
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41	38%	PCR	35%	38%
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44	78%		74%	77%
45	48%	WGS	49.6%	49.9%
46	64%		67.3%	67.6%
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Clinical whole-genome sequencing for PGT-SR

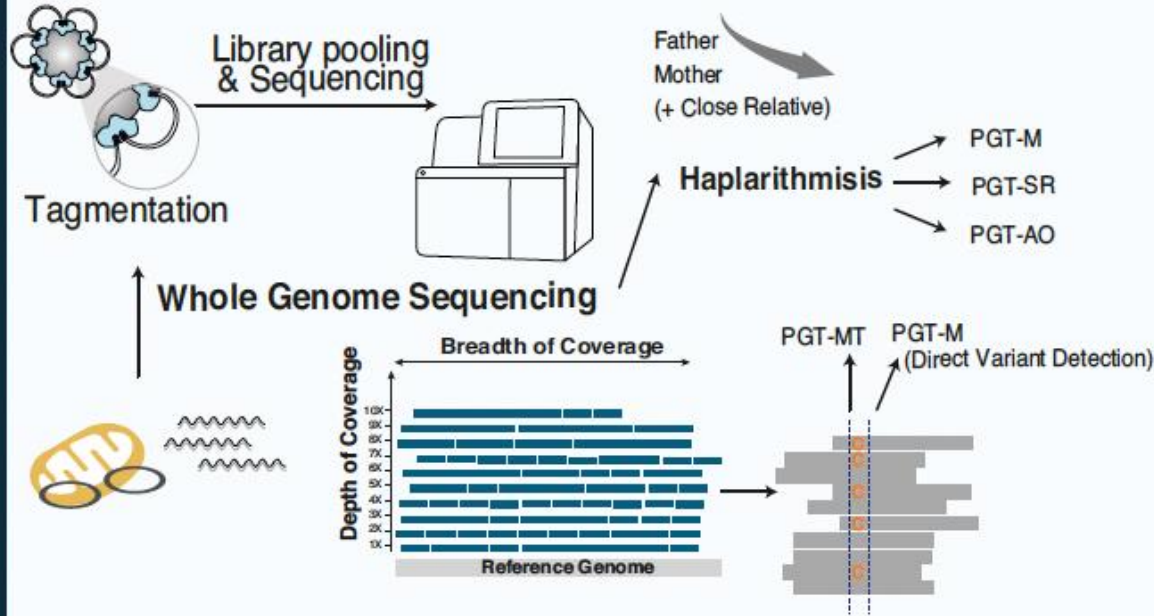


Parents-only PGT for aneuploidy origin (PGT-AO)



All-in-one PGT

Method



characteristics

- + Flexible PGT-M
- + Generic pathogenic variant detection at base resolution
- + Flexible PGT-SR
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- + Breakpoint detection at base resolution
- + Copy number profiling (PGT-A)
- + Segregational/parental origin of aneuploidies
- + Level of mosaicism of aneuploidies
- + Mitochondrial DNA (heteroplasmy level)

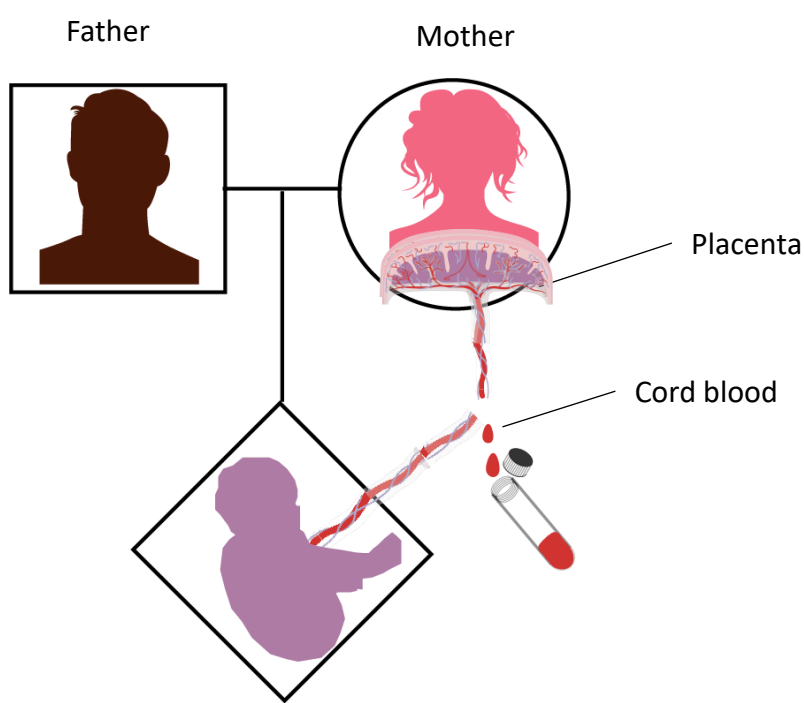
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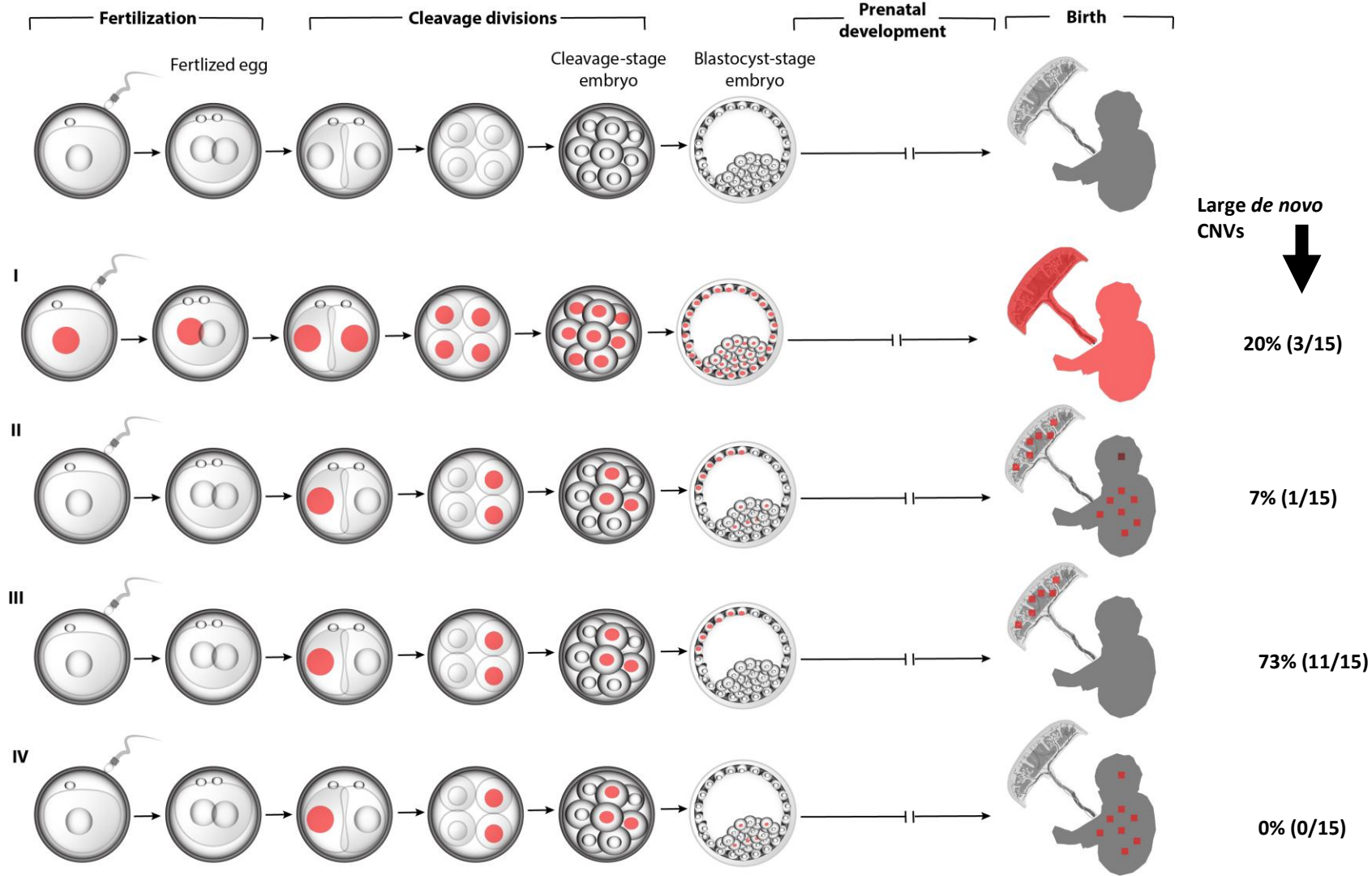
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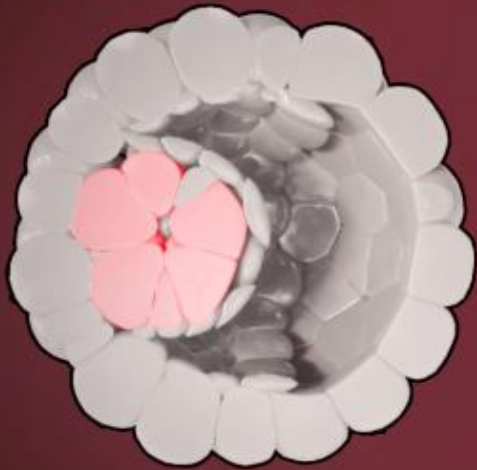


Maternal

Fetal

48 IVF vs **50 naturally-conceived** AGA neonates
16 naturally-conceived SGA neonates





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Fetal Development
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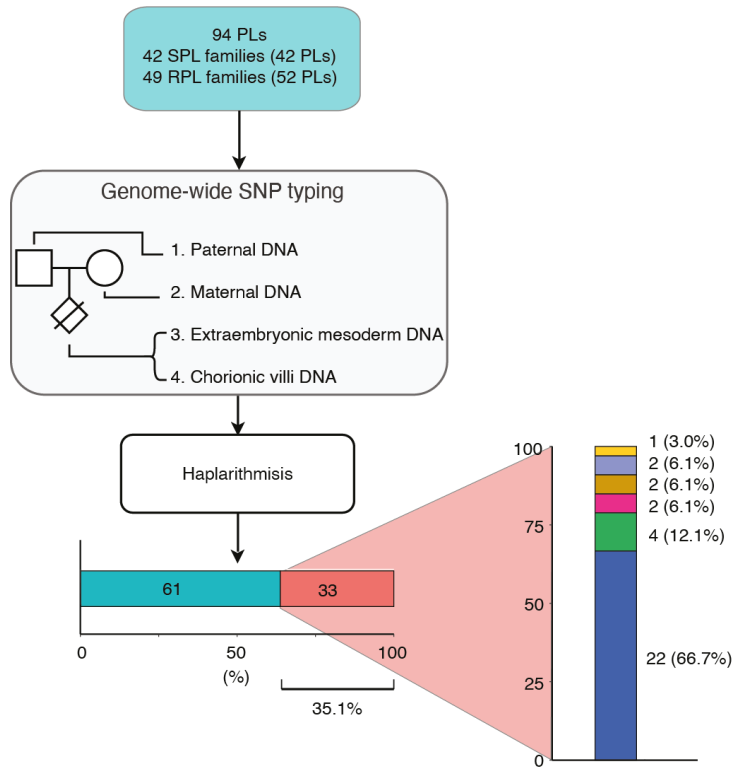
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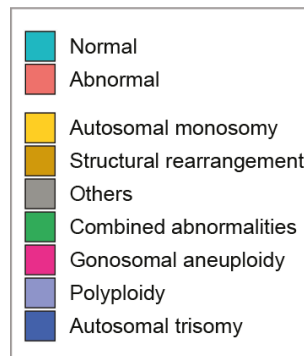


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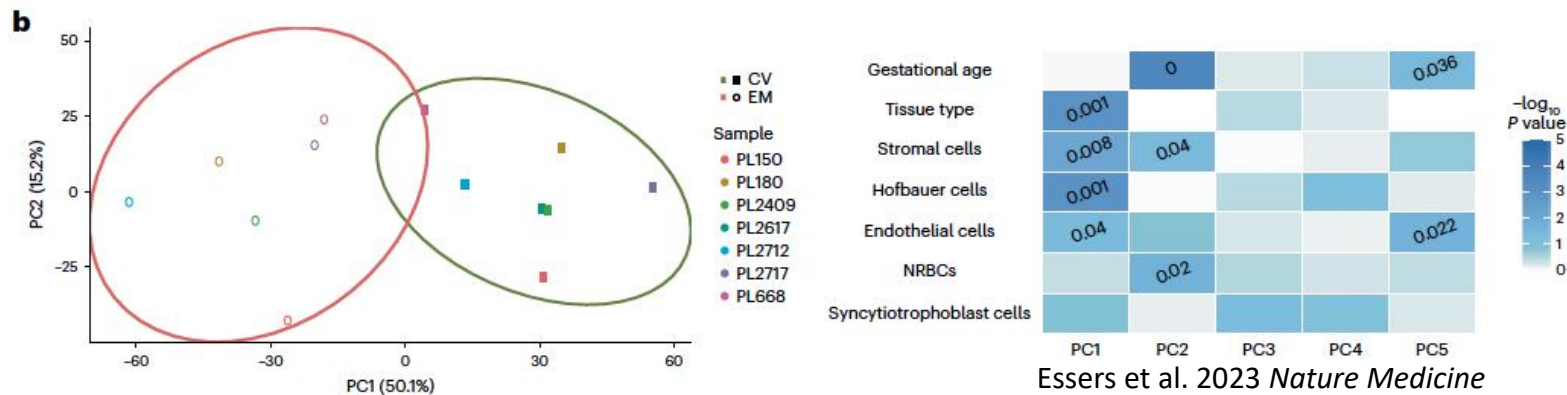
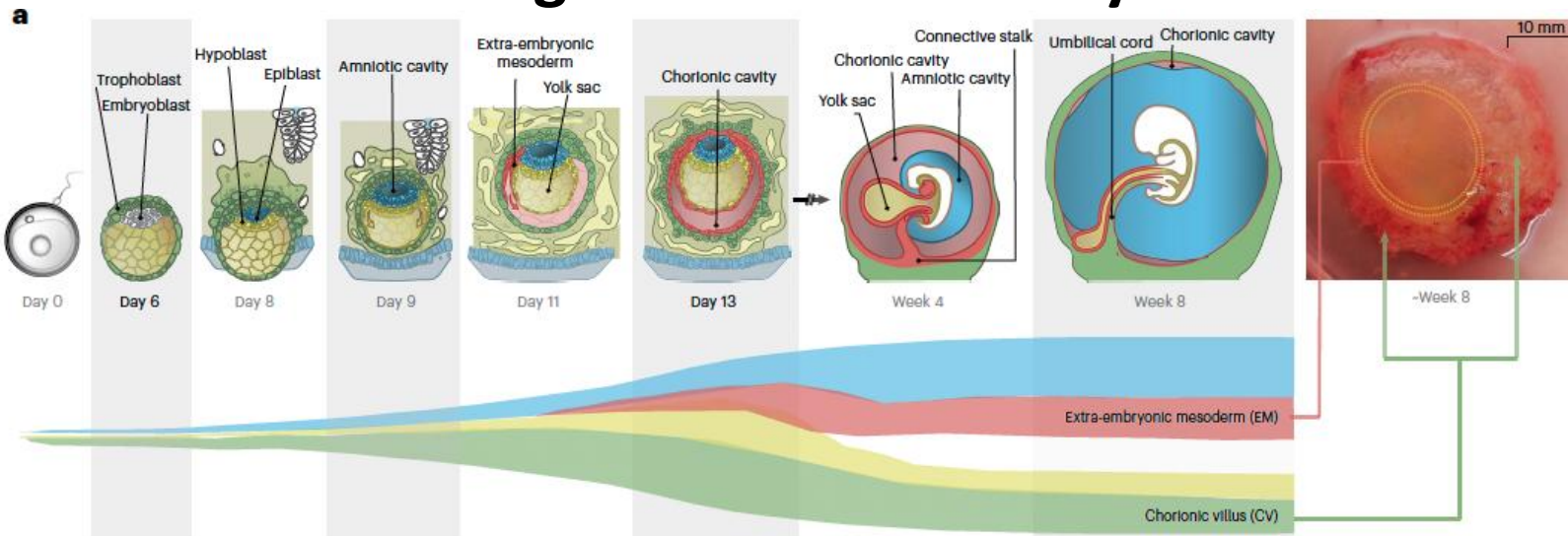


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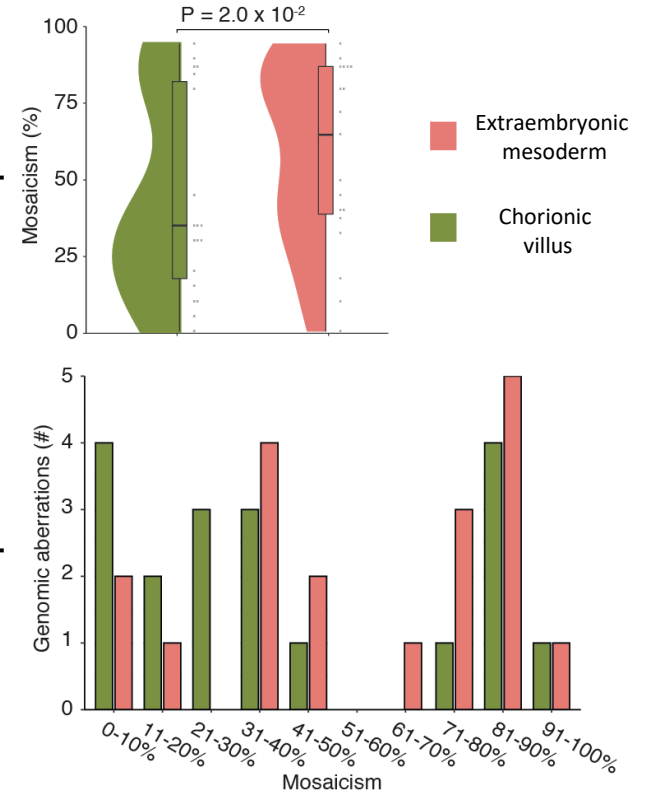
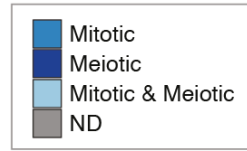
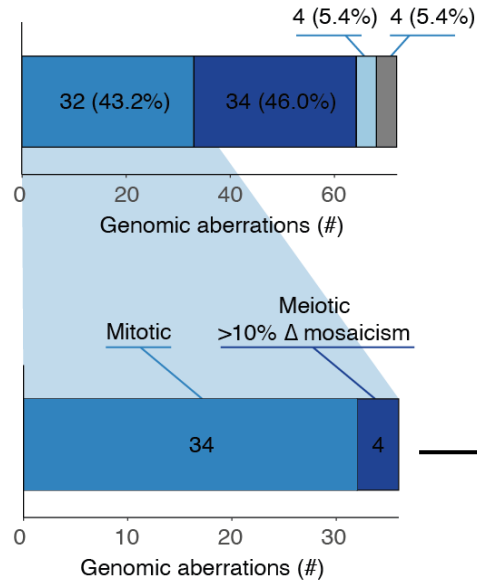
50.4% → 67.8%



Cell lineages in human embryos



Genetic abnormalities likely less tolerated in fetal lineage



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Ongoing PGT-A debate in the field

Not effective

Effective

[Intervention Review]

Preimplantation genetic testing for aneuploidies (abnormal number of chromosomes) in in vitro fertilisation

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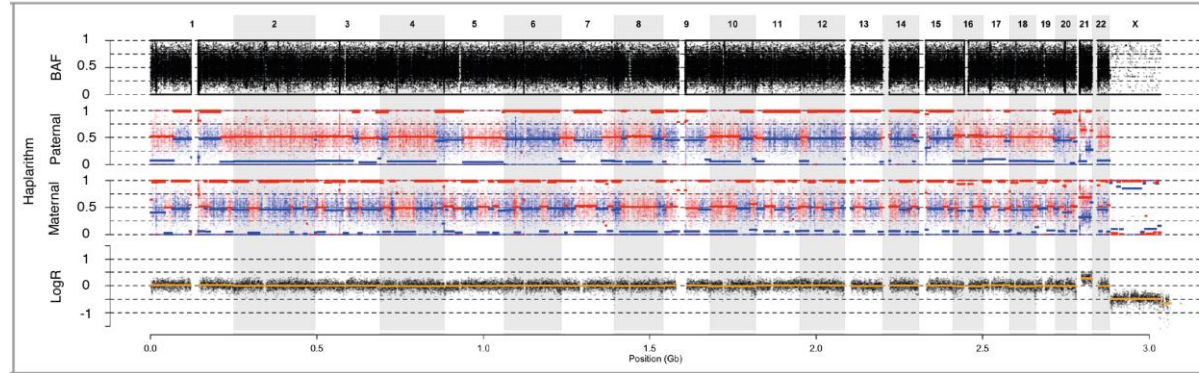
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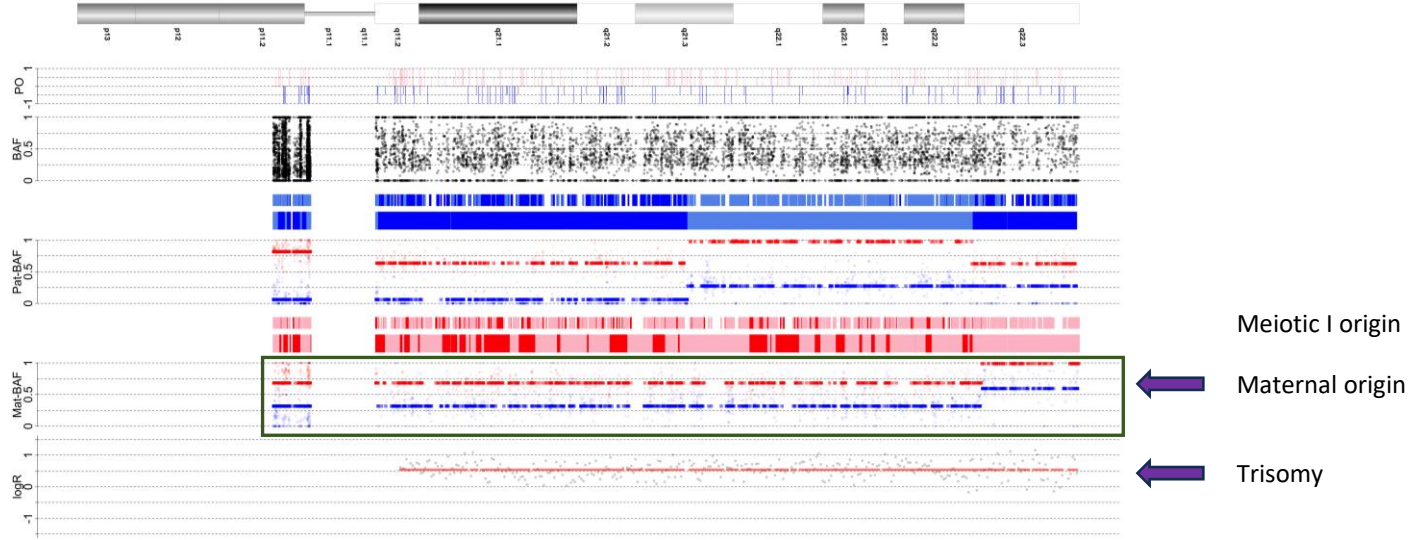
Termination of pregnancy after PGT

5 termination of pregnancy cases

- 1 T18
- 4 T21
 - 2 meiotic I
 - 2 meiotic II



Chromosome 21

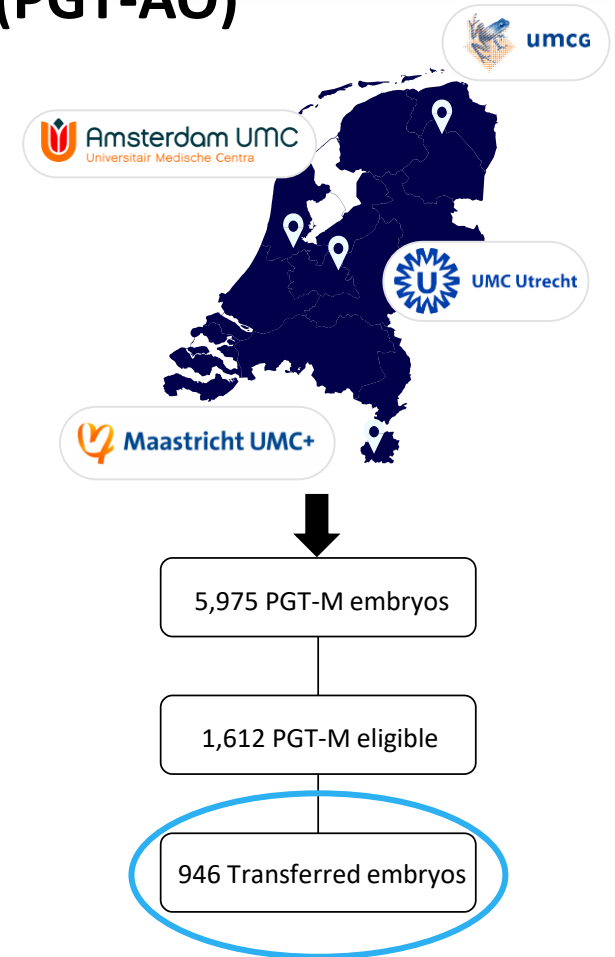


PGT Aneuploidy Origin (PGT-AO)

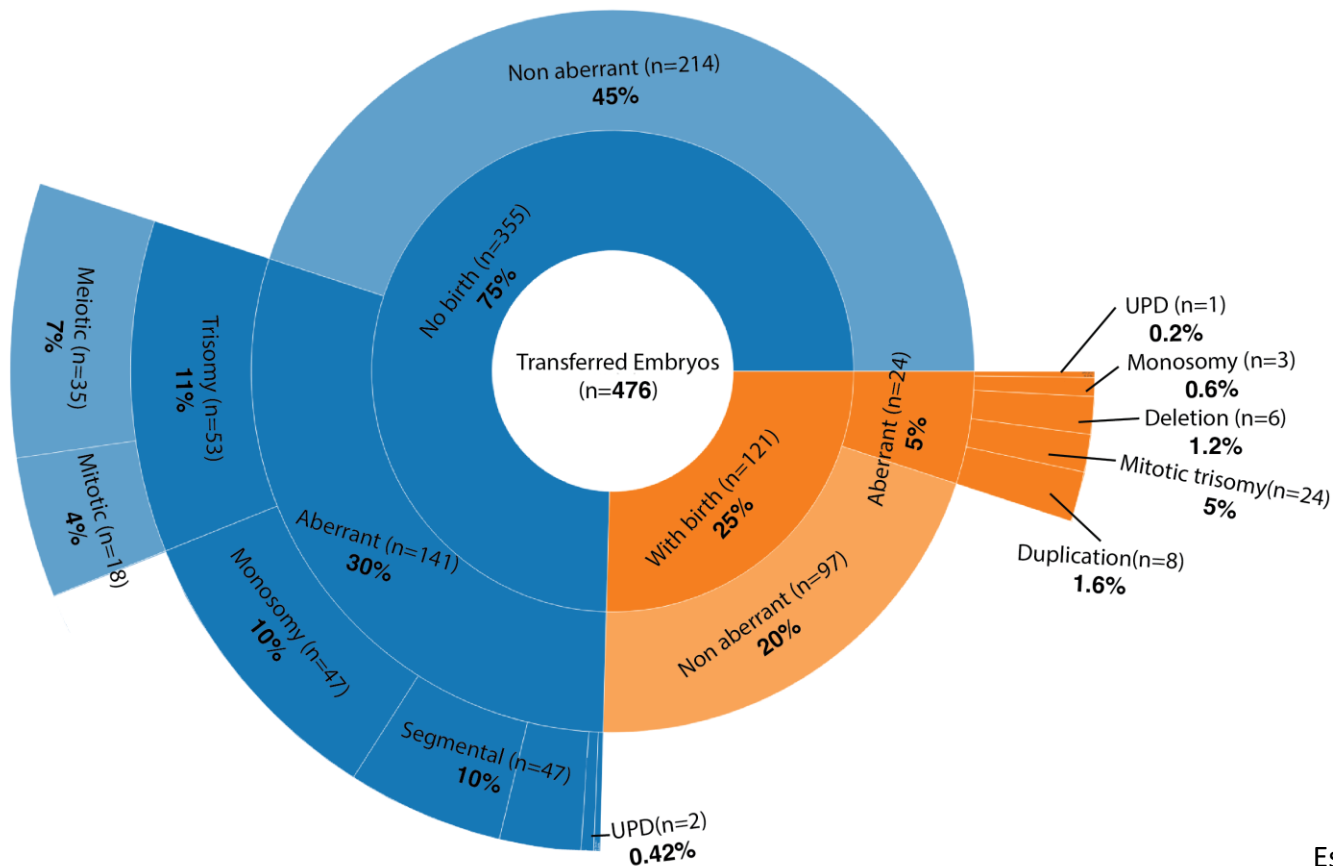
- Retrospective study of PGT-M embryos
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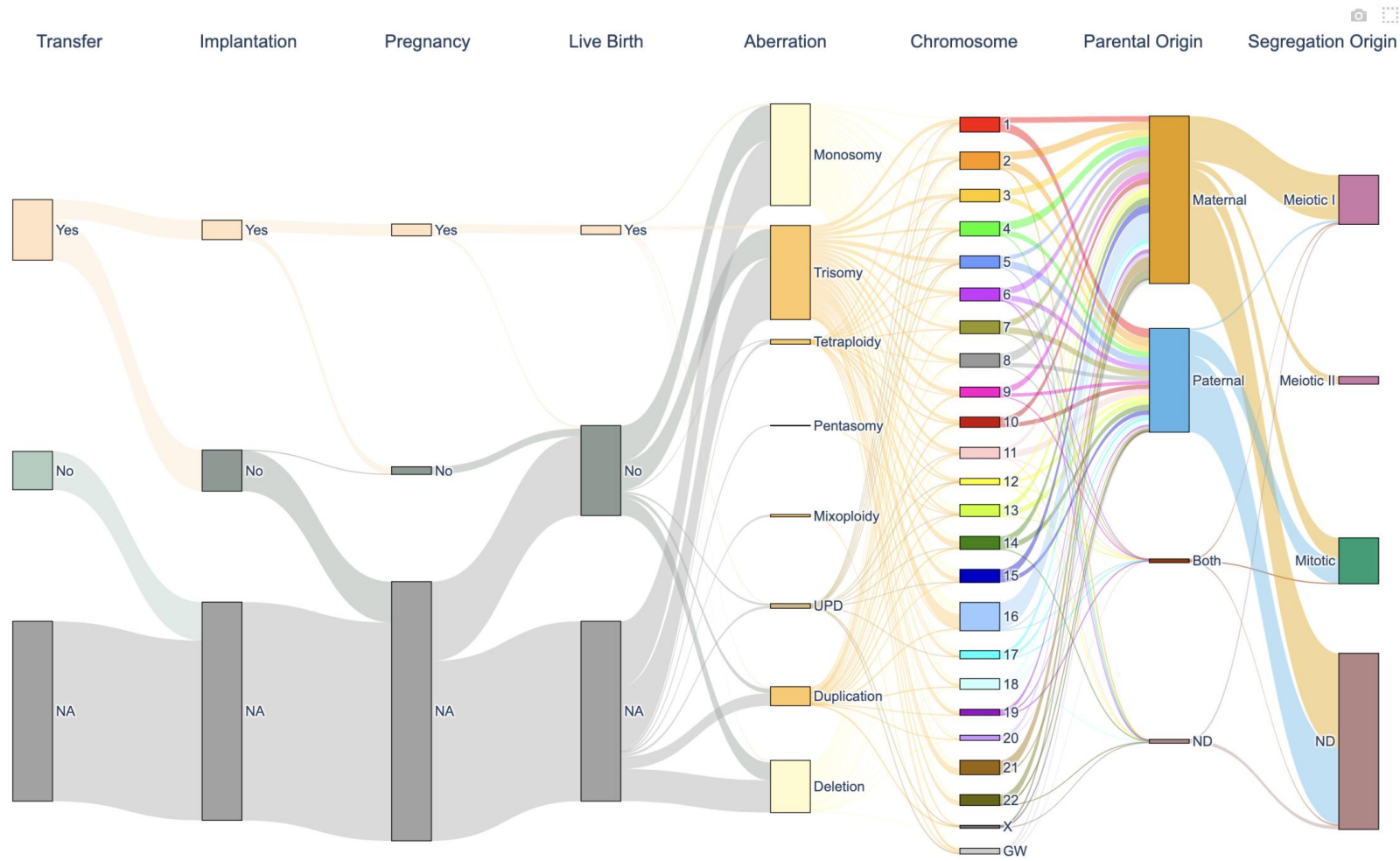
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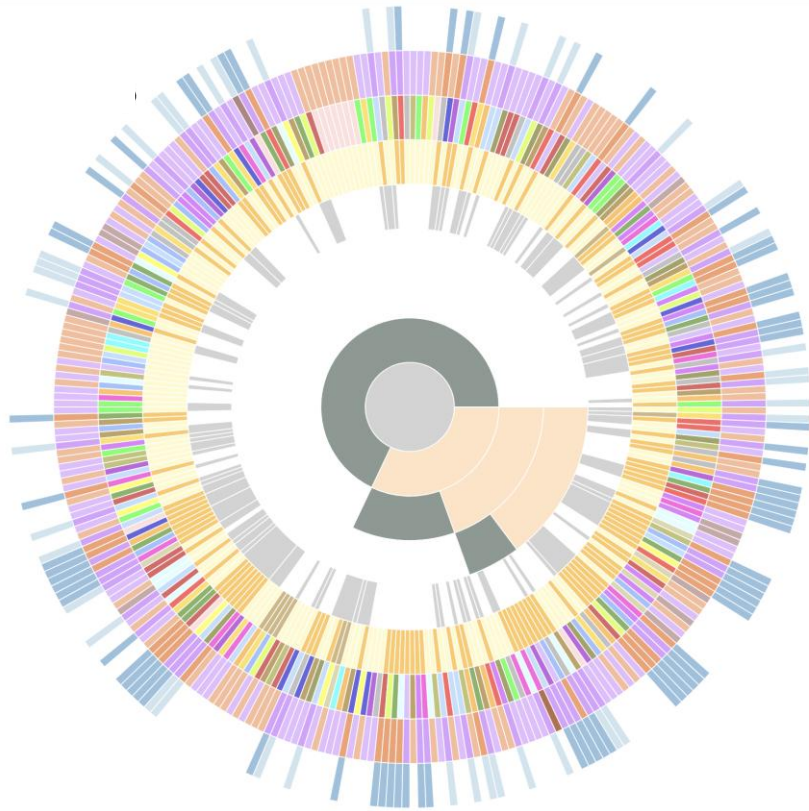
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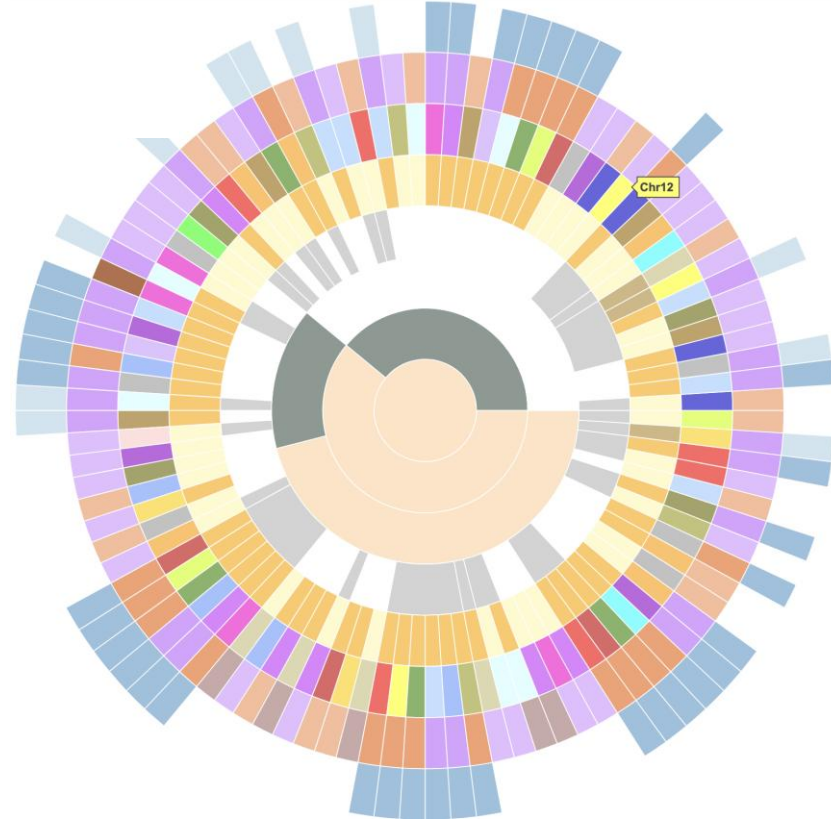
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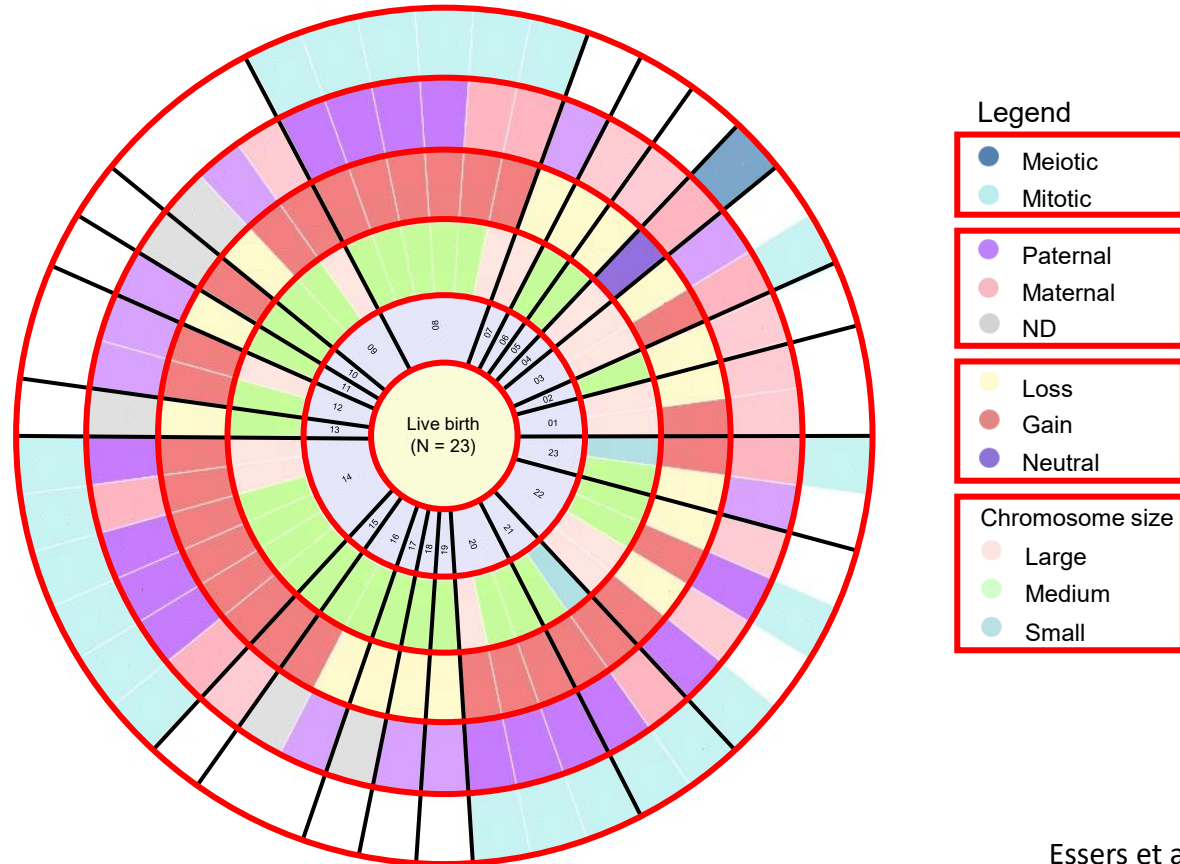
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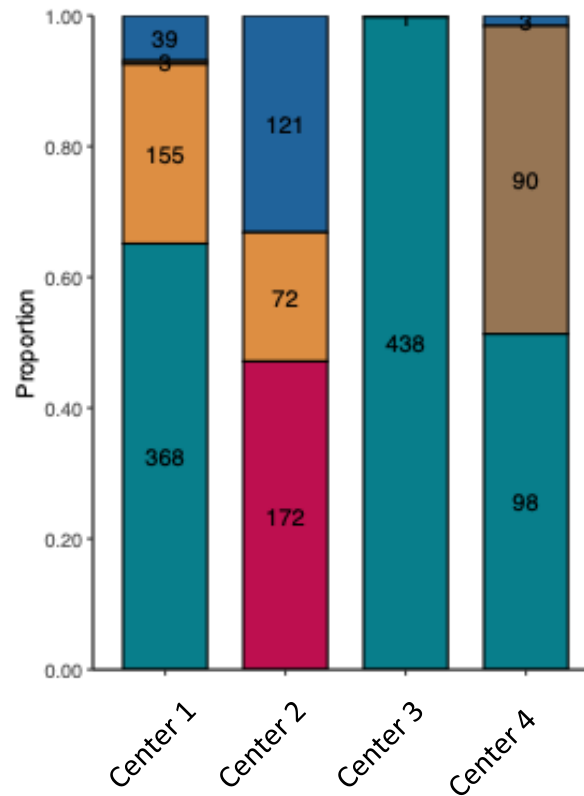
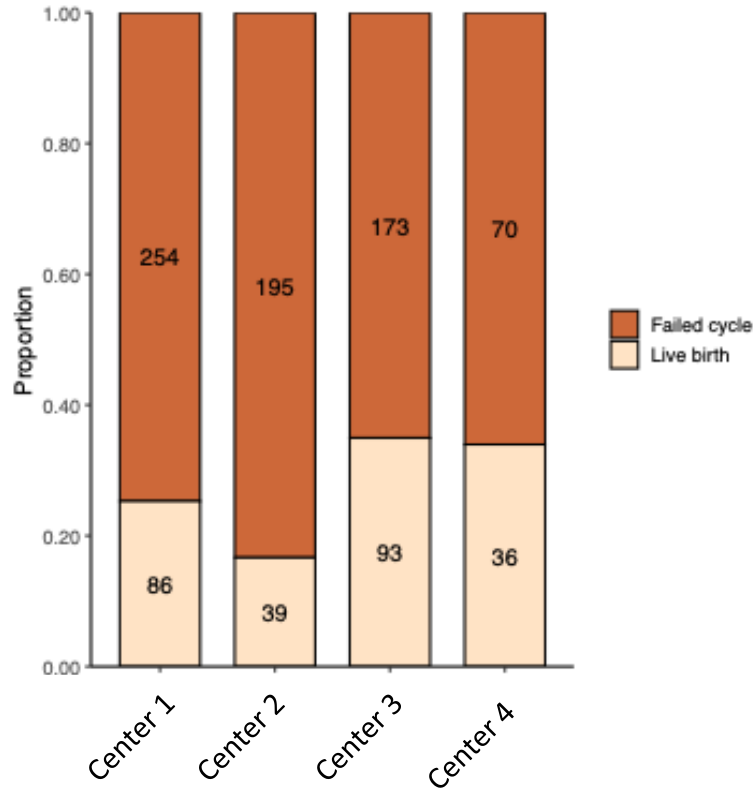
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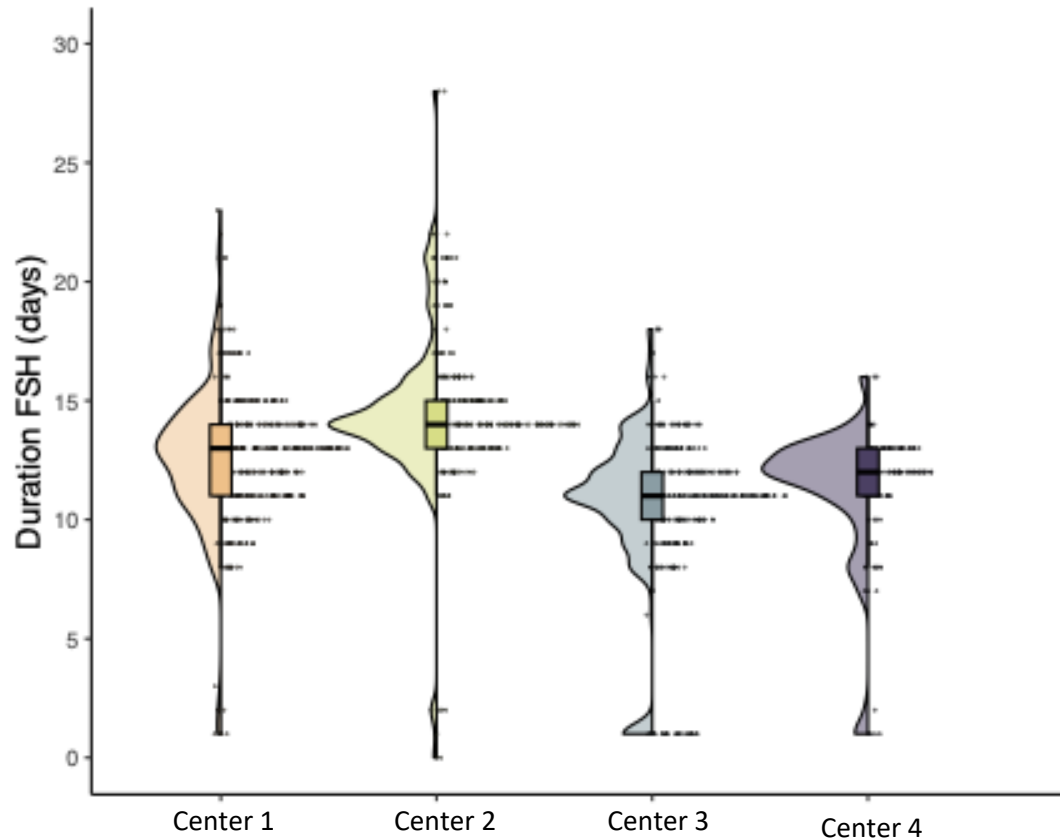
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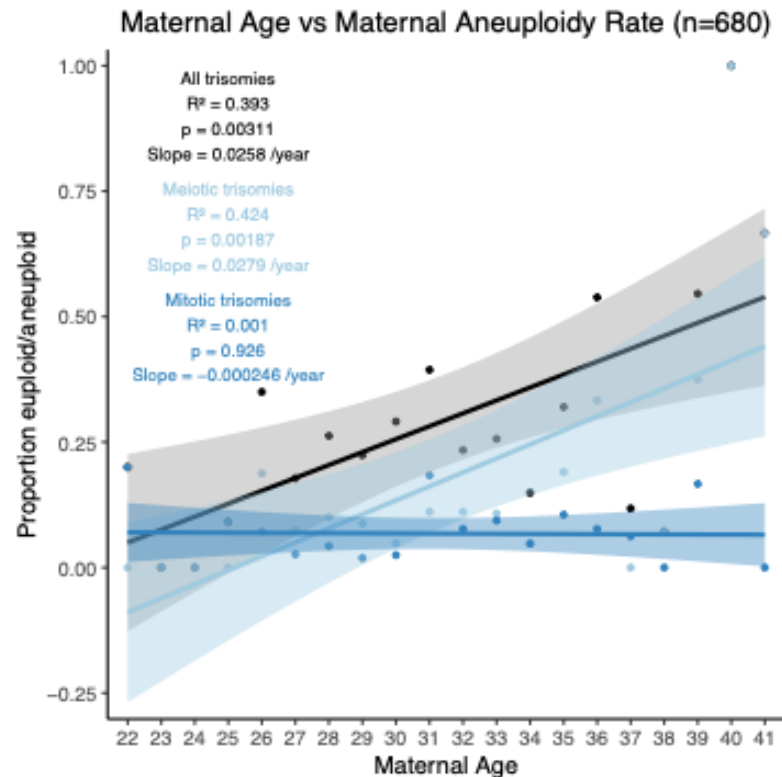
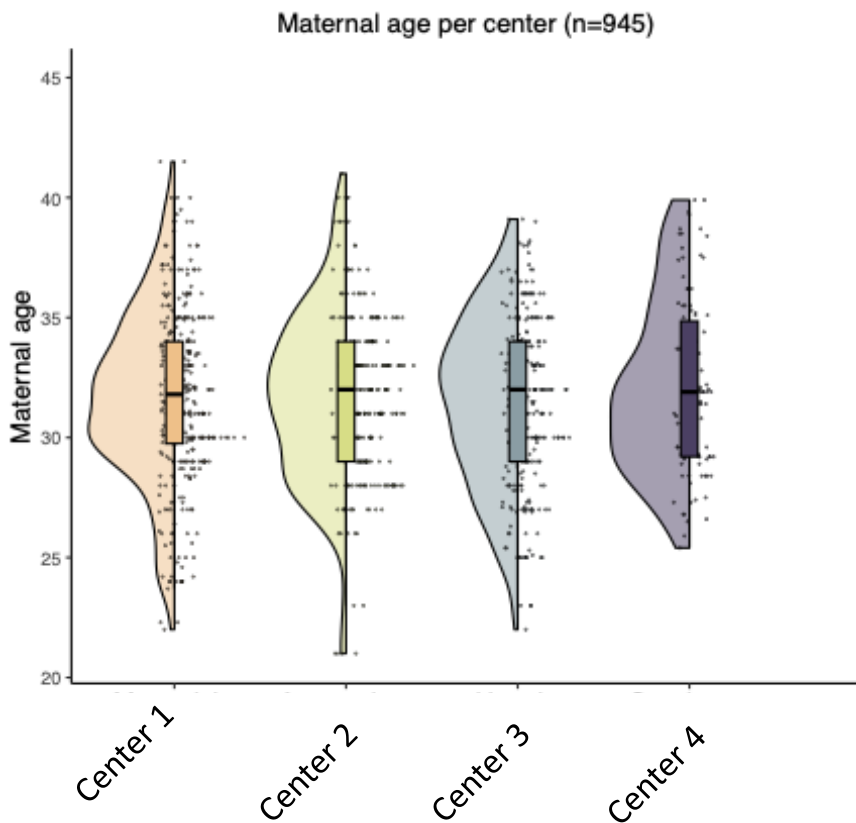
Birth status vs. centers & medication



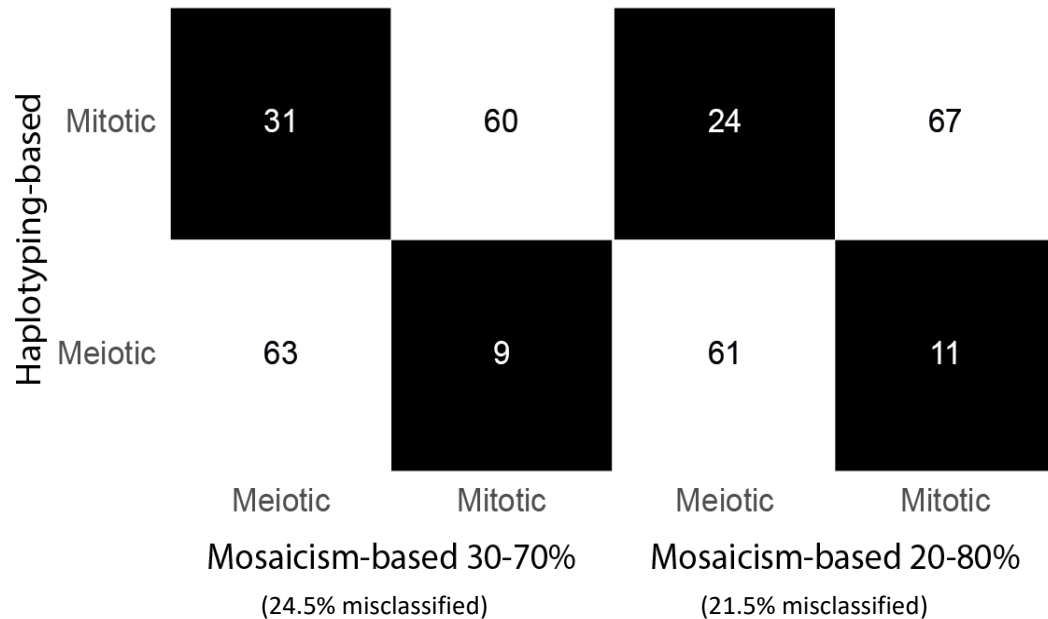
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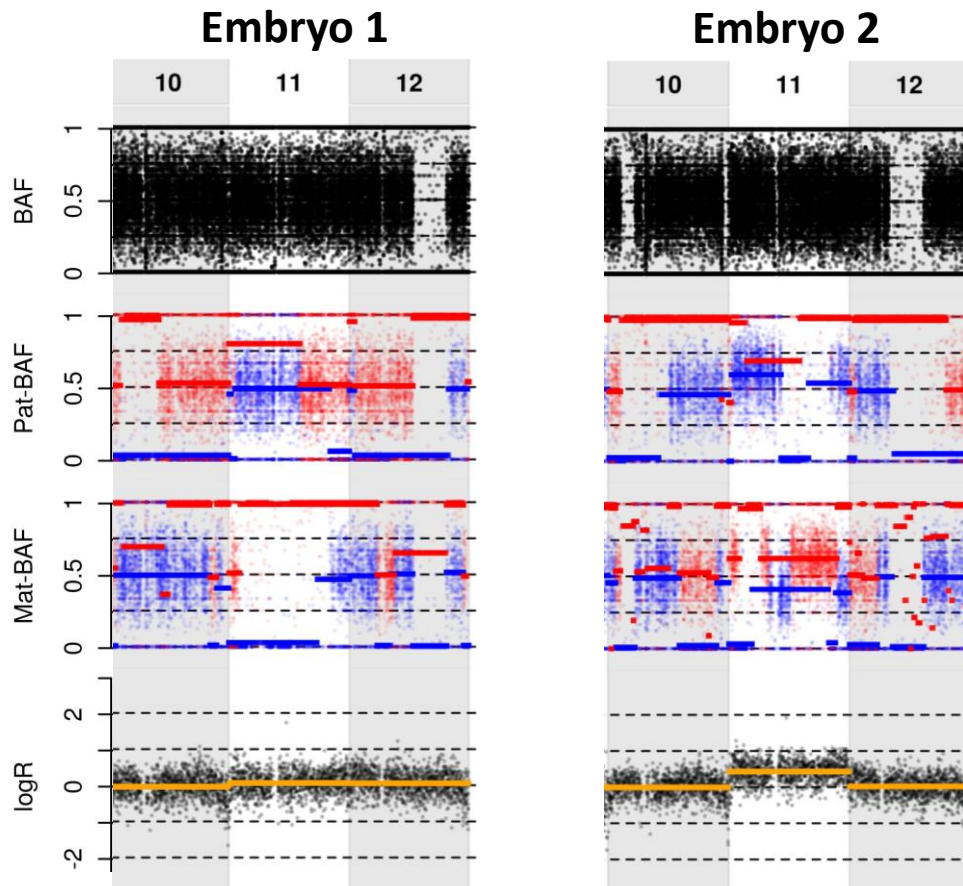
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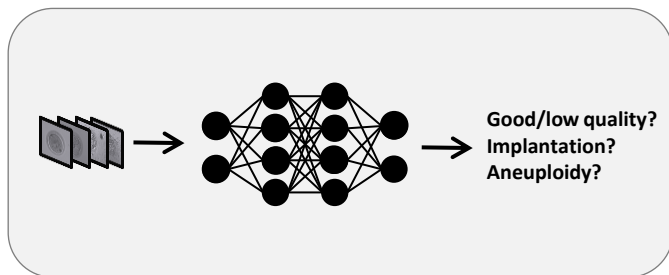
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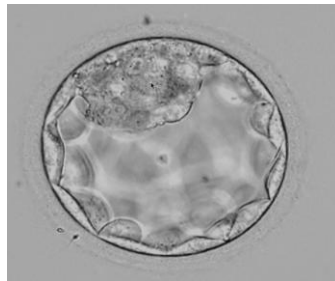
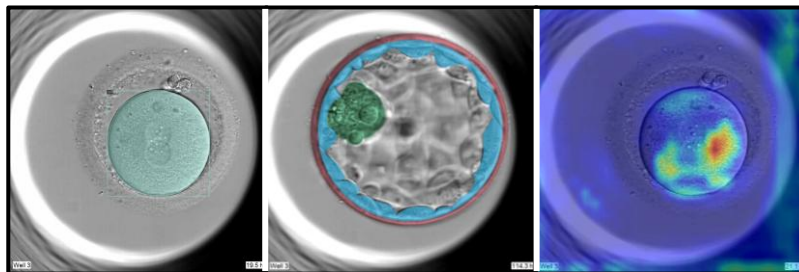
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Multimodal deep learning for embryo selection in assisted reproduction

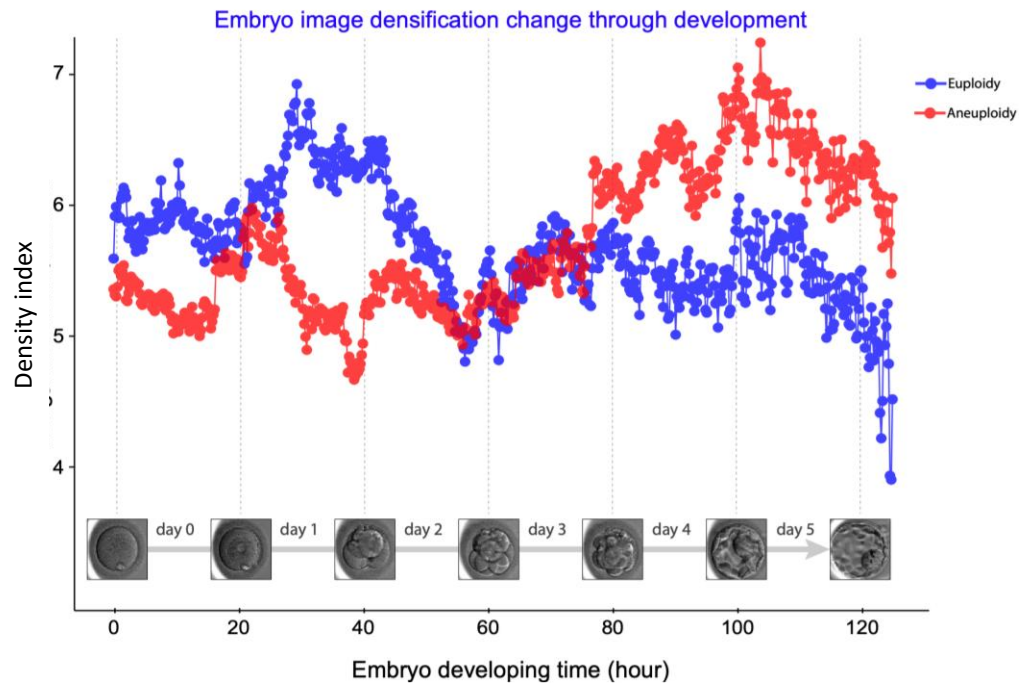
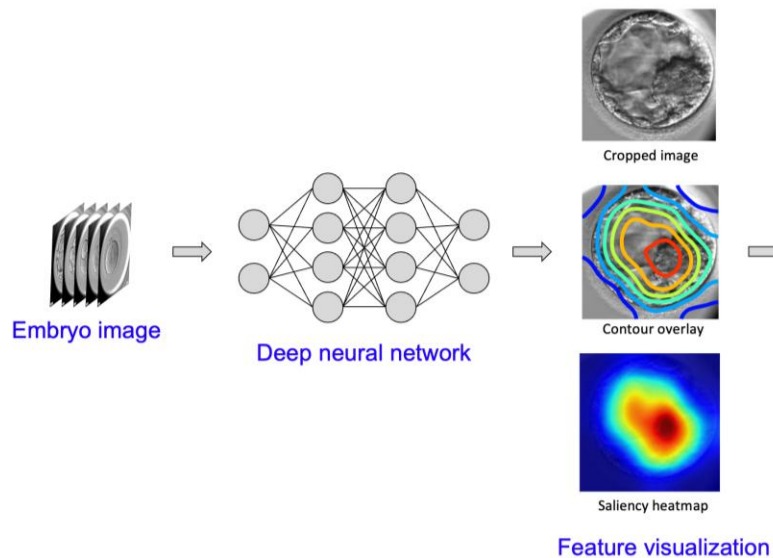


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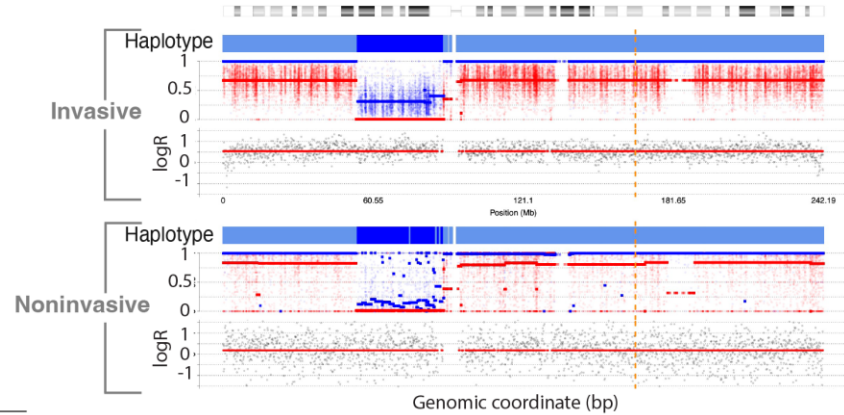
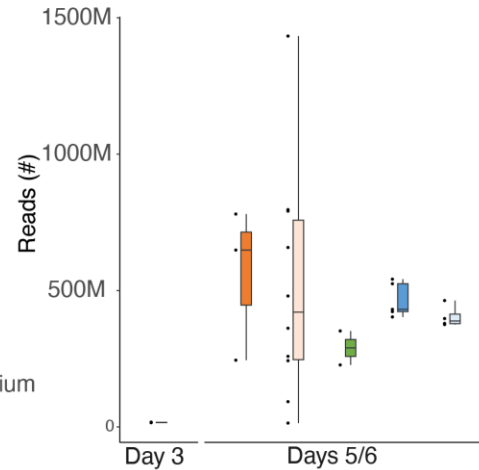
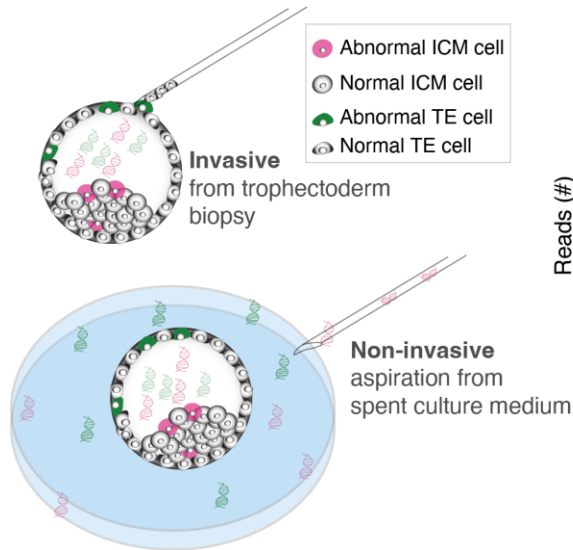
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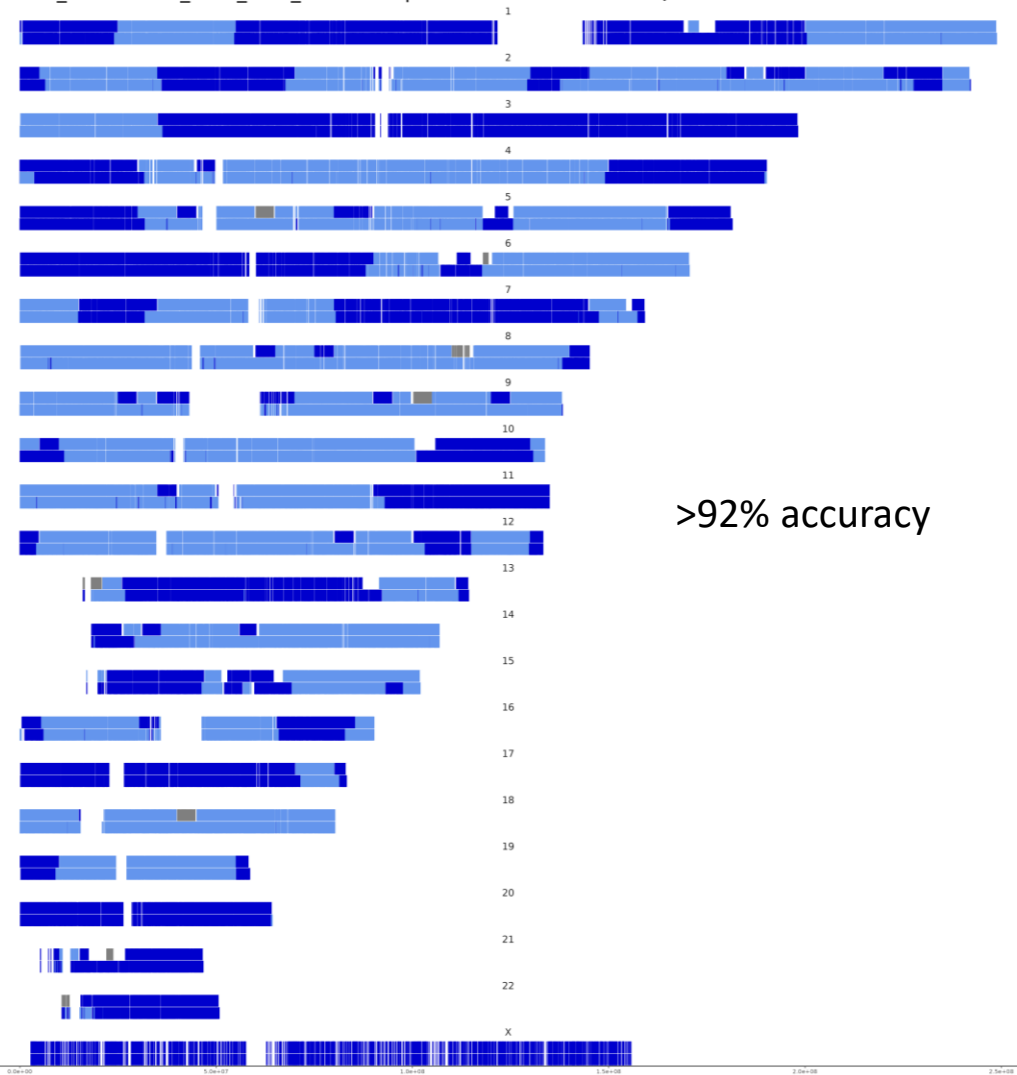


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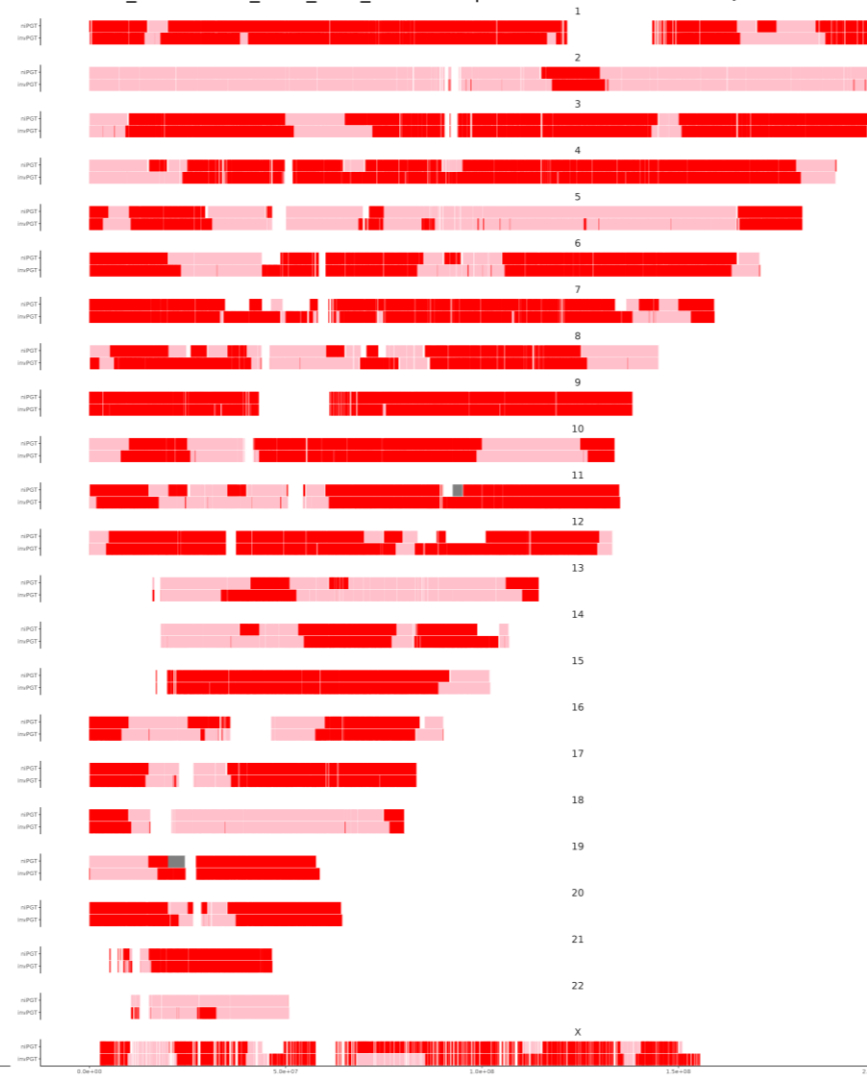


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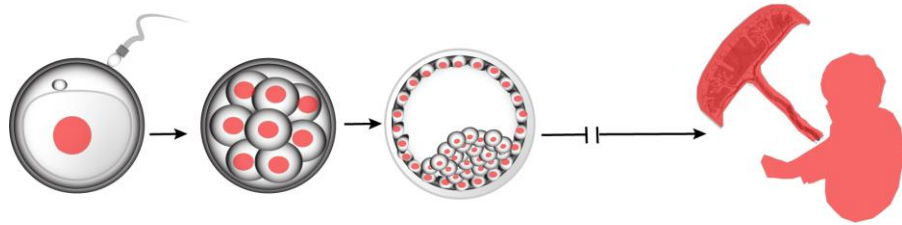




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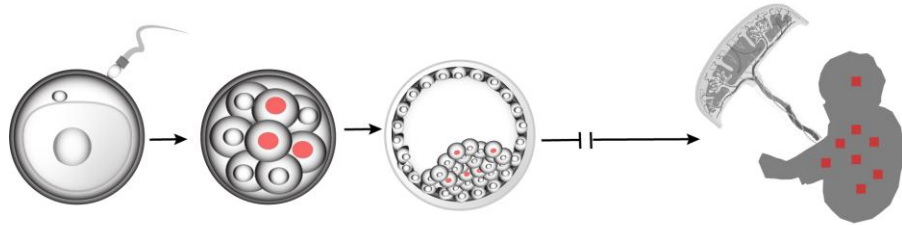
Conclusions (impact of PGT-AO)



Before fertilization, everywhere → **Failed Implantation**

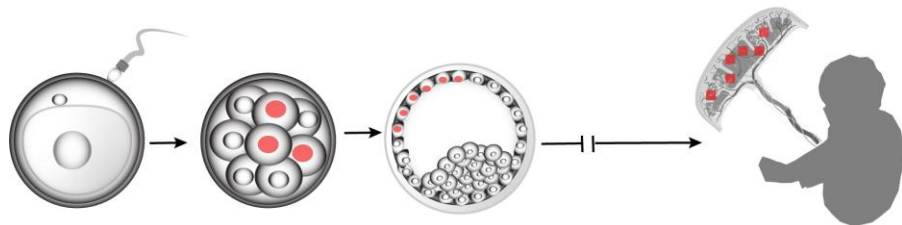
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Miscarriage



After fertilization, fetus only → **Miscarriage**

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After fertilization, placenta only → **Healthy newborns**

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Summary & Conclusions

All-in-one haplarithmisis-based PGT

Simplified workflow with automation

1. **PGT-M: Enhanced sequencing by even coverage**

- Better testing in proximity of complex genomic regions
- Direct mutation detection at base resolution

2. **PGT-AO: Parent's only PGT for aneuploidy origin**

- Segregational origin: Identification origin of trisomies and UPDs

3. **PGT-SR: Differentiation between balanced and chromosomally normal embryos at base resolution**

4. **PGT-MT: Mitochondrial heteroplasmy detection after WGA**

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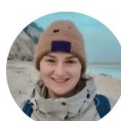
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