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Preeclampsia/ EPHGestosis/ Rippmann Syndrome

Millions of Dreams every year are broken by PE



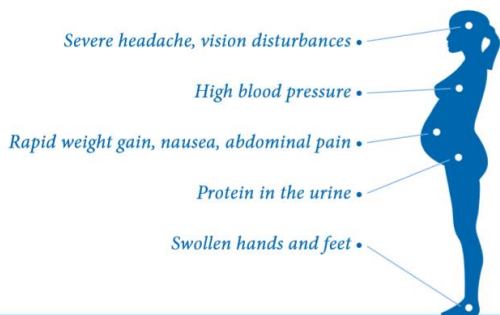
15%Preterm Birth

8,5 millions women/year globally

42% of Maternal Death

Diagnosis:BP/uP/E
standard of care
affected by poor
accuracy

What are the symptoms?



RISK FACTORS

Who is at risk?

The following factors increase the chances of preeclampsia³:

- A first time pregnancy
- Preeclampsia in a previous pregnancy
- A family history of preeclampsia
- A pregnancy at under 20 years old or over 35 years old
- A pregnancy of multiple babies (twins or triplets)
- Kidney disease or high blood pressure
- Obesity
- Diabetes

Diabetes in Pregnancy

6-7% Pregnancies complicated by Diabetes

Pre-Pregnancy
↓ Diabetes ↓

Type I

Type II

Gestational Diabetes

Manifest Diabetes

GDM

9,9 % complicated by Gestosis/PE

80% of women with suspected PE,
will never develop it

A simple blood test can predict :
sFlt1/PLGF Ratio cut off

Which women **WILL NOT**
develop preeclampsia in the next week
(99.3% confidence).



These women can be safely sent home.

Which women **WILL**
develop preeclampsia in the next
4 weeks (36.7% confidence).



These women should be closely monitored.



Cut hospitalisation by
56% In women with
suspected
preeclampsia.⁵

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BASICS OF EPH-GESTOSIS/RIPPMANN'S SYNDROME 1.



EPH-Gestosis/Rippmann's Syndrome is the most important complication, killer No. 1 for babies and mothers, it is important to know that the baby is 100 times more in danger than the mother. EPH-Gestosis is not a disease. It is a syndrome. The cardinal signs and symptoms edema(E), proteinuria (P) and hypertension(H) may appear simultaneously, or singly. The causes of E, P and H are



maynfold. Therefore it is illogical and even harmful to treat such a heterogeneous group in just one way. The causes of cardinal signs and symptoms vary greatly according to population group and its location. They should be discovered before a next pregnancy.

Over 100 names of this syndrome, more than 50 classifications and various techniques to assess the signs and symptoms make it possible to compare results worldwide. This confusion prevents the science from progress.

The OG, World OGASH Board and CSPP (http://gestosis.ge/eng/26_4.php) has suggested a sensible nomenclature, classifications and definitions, which could overcome this barrier.

Nomenclature EPH Gestosis (EPH-syndrome: EPH-Complex, Rippmann's Syndrome)

Pregnancy Gest ...

complicated osis by Edema (E) Proteinuria (P) and 1 hypertension(H) Classification:

Symptomatic: Pathogenetic

Mono EPH

Poly EP

EH

PH

EPH

1. Super imposed EPH-Gestosis

2. Transient/essential EPH-Gestosis

(no signs and symptoms after puerperium)

3. Concomittant Diseases

4. Unclassified EPH-Gestosis

EI (Eclampsia imminent)

EC (Eclampsia convulsiva)



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BASICS OF EPH-GESTOSIS/RIPPMANN's SYNDROME 2.

Definitions:

Edema Excessive(inadequate) increase of body-weight during Pregnancy, usually Due to fluid retention, i.e. more than 500g/week 2000g/month 13 kg/ entire pregnancy Demonstrable pretibial edema are of gestosis origine, if they are still present after night's bedrest

Proteinuria More than trace in one specimen. Preferably dipstick.

Hypertension Last normal reading 135/85 First pathological reading 140/90

In Hypertension Increase of 30 mmHg systolic Increase of 15 mmHg diastolic Since EPH-Gestosis/Rippmann's Syndrome is rampant in the developping countries with little or no facilities for prenatal care the methods to detect E, P and H have to be simple and for everybody to be understood and to be carried out.

EPH-gestosis means high risk pregnancy. It might just mean the pregnant patient has to be watched and monitored closely. Such EPH-Gestosis can be detected at a very early stage and treated adequately.

It is mandatory to examine each patient thoroughly two to three months after delivery to exclude all conditions which could lead to EPH-Gestosis again in a future pregnancy.



The Prognosis Study, 2016

PIGF
(bassa concentrazione)

sFlt-1
(alta concentrazione)

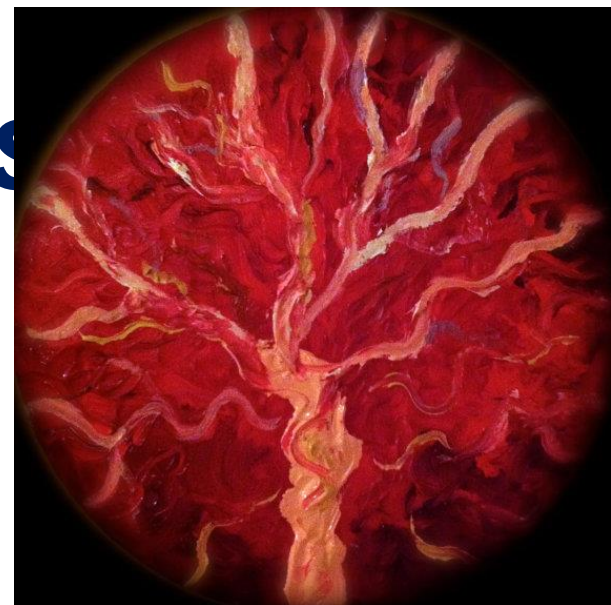
sFlt-1/ PIGF Ratio reflects antiangiogenic imbalance
in early or late PE

PROGNOSIS Study validated the CUT-OFF values
of Elecsys sFlt-1/PIGF Ratio, predictive/diagnostic of preeclampsia

Early-onset preeclampsia – gestational week 20 – 33+6 days			
sFlt-1/PIGF ≥ 85	Diagnosis	99.5% specificity the woman has preeclampsia Sensitivity: 88.0%	
sFlt-1/PIGF < 85 ≥ 38	Prediction rule-in within next 4 weeks	38.6% PPV the woman is at high risk to develop preeclampsia within the next 4 weeks	
sFlt-1/PIGF < 38	Prediction rule-out for the next 1 week	99.1% NPV the woman will not develop preeclampsia for the next 1 week	

Late-onset preeclampsia – gestational week 34 to end of pregnancy			
sFlt-1/PIGF ≥ 110	Diagnosis	95.5% specificity the woman has preeclampsia Sensitivity: 58.2%	
sFlt-1/PIGF < 110 ≥ 38	Prediction rule-in within next 4 weeks	38.6% PPV the woman is at high risk to develop preeclampsia within the next 4 weeks	
sFlt-1/PIGF < 38	Prediction rule-out for the next 1 week	99.1% NPV the woman will not develop preeclampsia for the next 1 week	

Placentomegalia and Diabetes



Hyperglycemia



Hyperinsulinism

Placentomegalia



Increased PIGF



*Underestimates
sFlt1/PIGF
Ratio*

Our Study



Study Group → **104 Diabetic Pregnancies**

Control Group → **80 Not Diabetic Pregnancies
at Risk for Other Gestosis /PE Risk
Factors**

Plasma Levels ✓ **PIGF**
✓ **sFLT-1**
✓ **RATIO sFLT-1/PIGF**



«Gold Standard» for Gestosis/Preeclampsia Diagnosis:

Proteinuria \geq 300 mg/24h Blood Pressure \geq 140/90 mmHg



Study Targets



To Evaluate the real match between clinical diagnosis and diagnostic value of the sFlt-1/PIGF Ratio

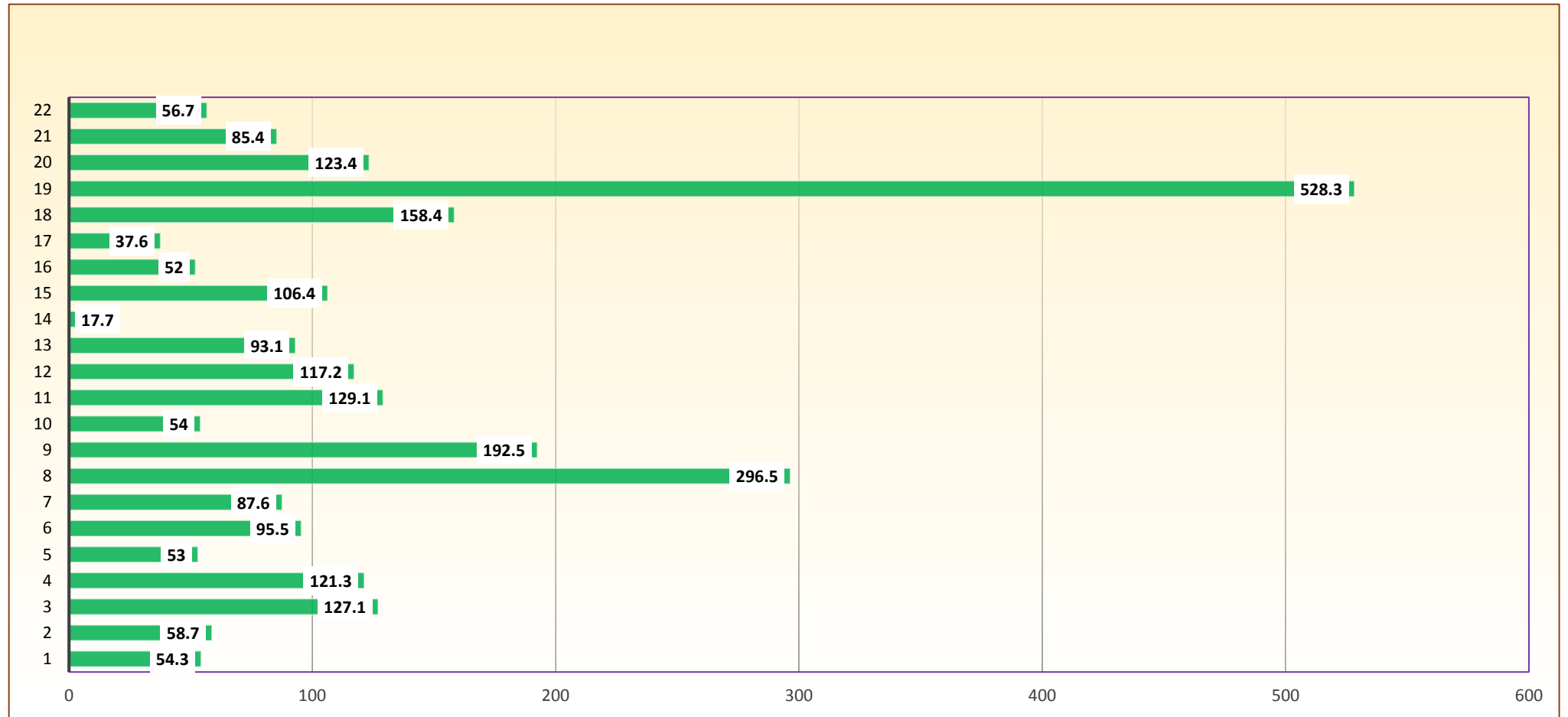


To Verify Diagnostic Sensibility of the sFlt-1/PIGF Ratio in Diabetic Pregnancies



To Identify a best diagnostic sFlt-1/PIGF Ratio cut-off, if any, in Pregnancies associated with Diabetes

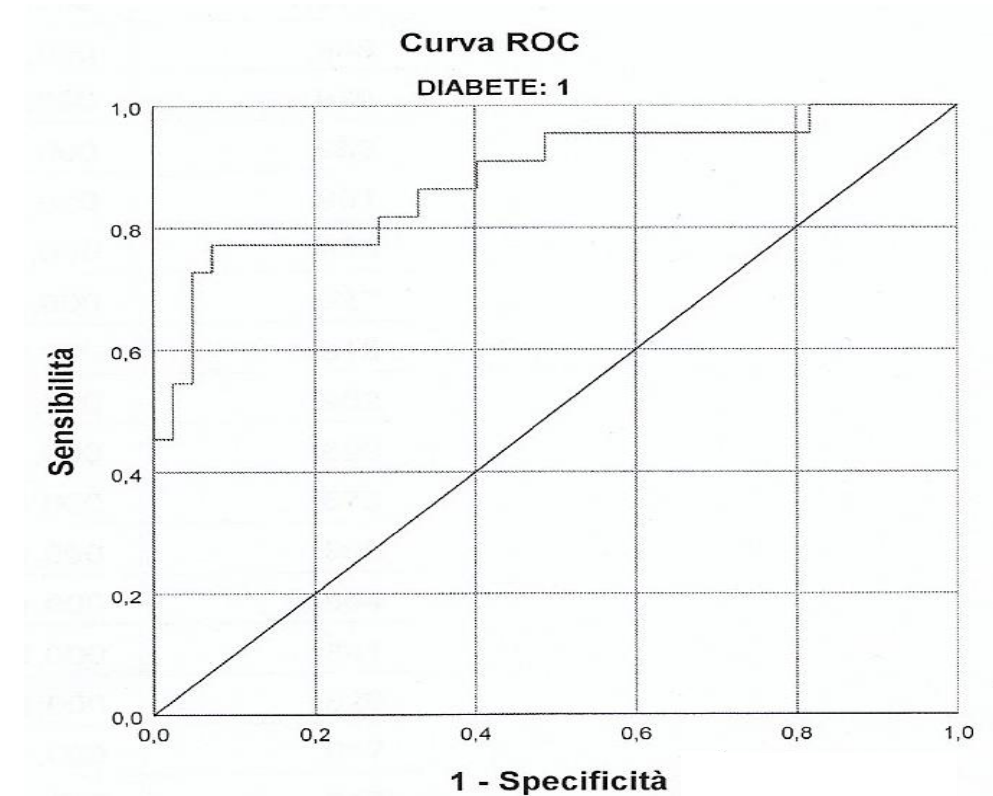
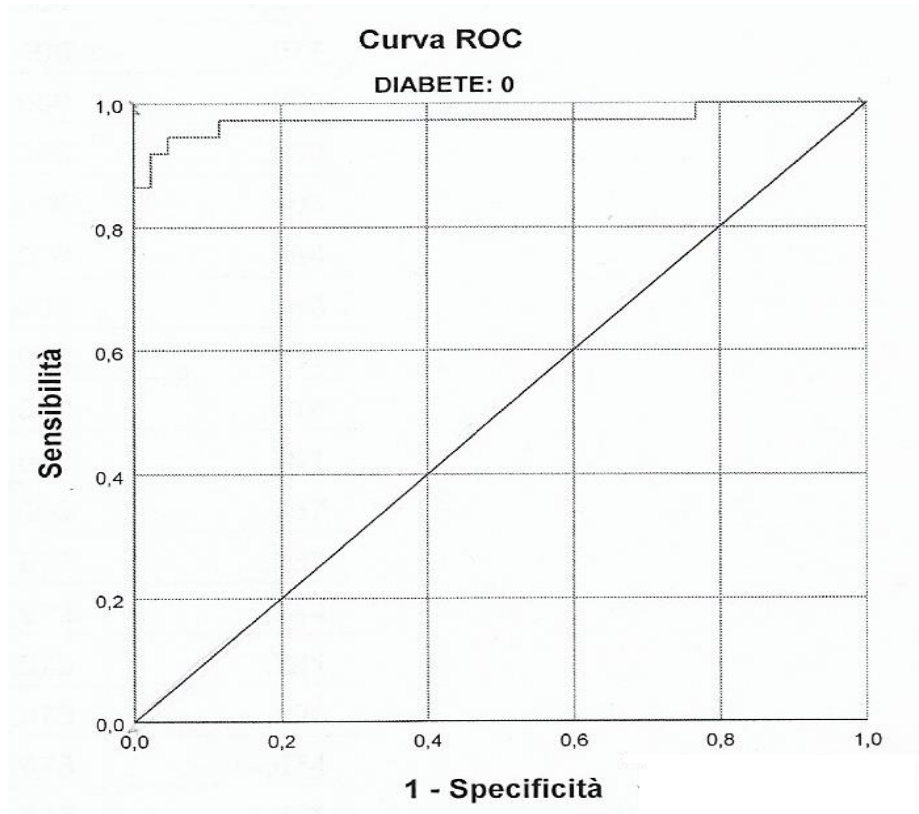
sFlt-1/PIGF Ratio in diabetic pregnancies complicated by Preeclampsia



ROC Curves

Not Diabetic Pregnant Women

Diabetic Pregnant Women



Ratio=110 ➡ **Sens 84% e Spec 100%**

Ratio=87 ➡ **Sens 95% e Spec 95%**

Ratio=110 ➡ **Sens 40,9% e Spec 100%**

Ratio=52 ➡ **Sens 72,7% e Spec 95,1%**

New Best cut-off ?



***NOT Diabetics
Pgs***

***Sensibility 86,5%
Specificity 100%***

Ratio=105

***Diabetics
Pgs***

***Sensibility 45,5%
Specificity 100%***

Concordance between Clinical Diagnosis /Ratio

OPTIMUM

K di Cohen=0,873

MODERATE

K di Cohen=0,568



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Conclusions

- It seems to emerge the need to use a different cut-off ratio, for early identification of Gestosis / PE Syndrome in the Diabetic Group Pregnancies
- Best cut-off corresponds to a ratio value of 105 which, maintaining a specificity of 100%, could significantly increase of 5% the test diagnostic sensibility in comparison with standard cut-off, by shifting from 40,9% to 45,5%.
- The increased sensibility of the new cut off ratio, seems to correlate significantly to increased diagnostic precocity, adequate and effective treatment and decreased fetal-maternal complications



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