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**Is the use of PGT-A effective in patients over 40 years of age?
Analysis of 20,807 cycles of the national registry in Spain.**



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Introduction

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The use of preimplantation genetic testing for aneuploidy: a committee opinion

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American Society for Reproductive Medicine, Washington, D.C

Society for Assisted Reproductive Technology (SART): the proportion of IVF cycles using PGT:

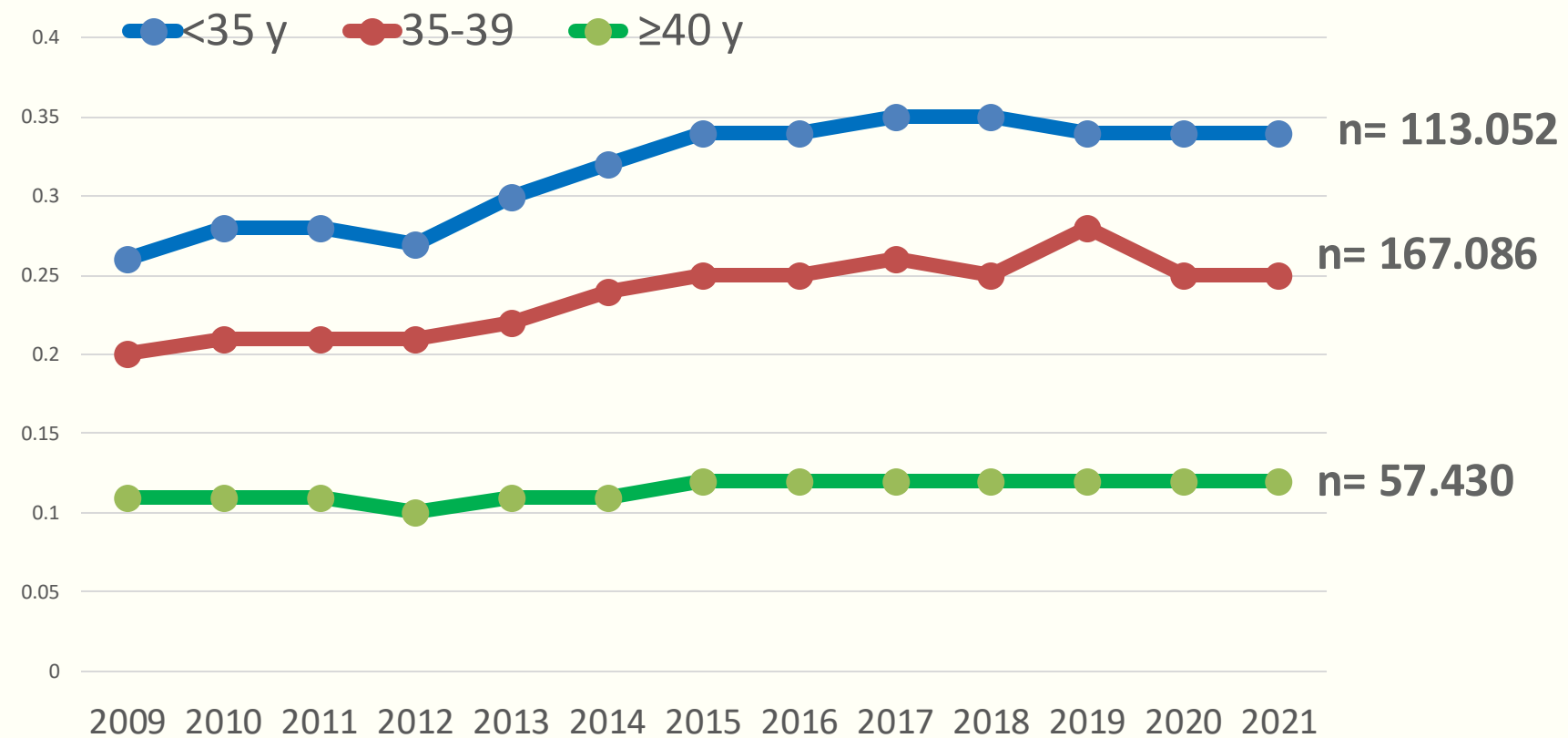
14% in 2014 to 44% in 2019



In Spain, (SEF) the proportion of IVF cycles using PGT has increased from **5% in 2009 to 38,5 in 2021.**

Introduction

Live birth rate per transfer



Advanced maternal age was the cause of PGT-A indication in 60,2% of cases in 2021.

Registro SEF 2021

La edad materna avanzada fue la causa de indicación en el 60,2% de las indicaciones.

| PGT: Indicaciones | |
|----------------------------|------------------------|
| | N (%) |
| Enfermedades moleculares | 970 (7,0%) |
| Enfermedades citogenéticas | 708 (5,1%) |
| Abortos de repetición | 824 (5,9%) |
| Edad materna avanzada | 8.380 (60,2%) |
| Fallo de implantación | 849 (6,1%) |
| Otras | 2.188 (15,7%) |
| Total indicaciones | 13.919 (100,0%) |

Objective

The aim of this study was to analyze data from the Spanish Fertility Society Registry and compare delivery outcomes between NGS-based PGT-A and non-PGT-A groups in women of advanced maternal age.

Methods

Live birth outcomes from the Spanish National Assisted Reproduction Registry between 2019 and 2021, including all ovarian stimulation cycles with autologous gametes in women over 40 years old:

20,807 cycles PGT-A

27,494 cycles IVF/ICSI

Comparisons were made using Chi2 test ($p < 0,05$ indicated statistically significant)

<https://www.registrosef.com/index.aspx#Anteriores>

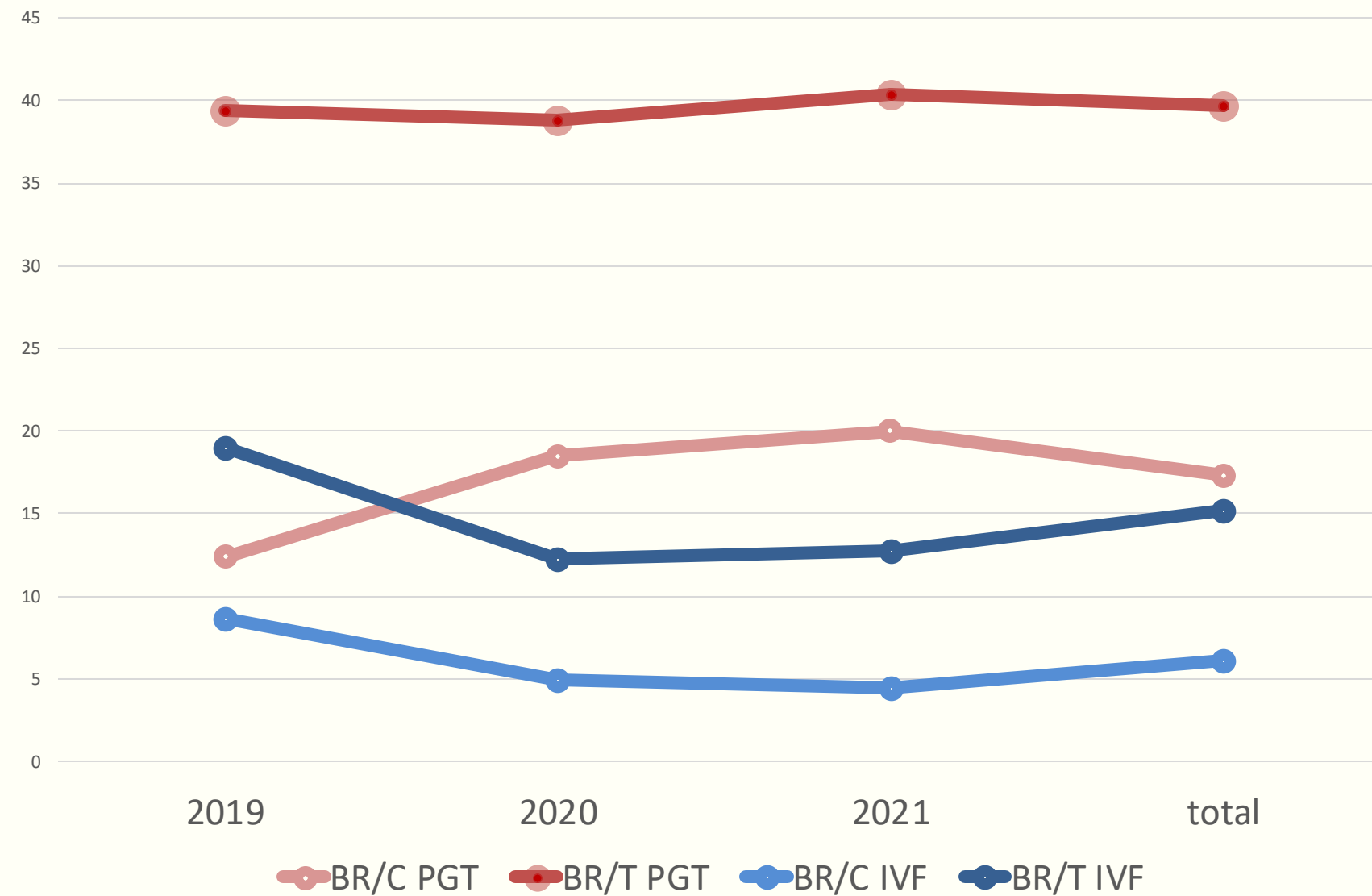
Results

Cycles and transfers in patients over 40 years

| | PGT | | | IVF/ICSI | | |
|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| | Cycles | Transfers | % | Cycles | Transfers | % |
| 2019 | 6270 | 1984 | 31,6 | 9811 | 4525 | 46,12 |
| 2020 | 6220 | 2976 | 47,8 | 8390 | 3350 | 39,9 |
| 2021 | 8380 | 4159 | 49,6 | 9293 | 3274 | 35,2 |
| Total | 20870 | 9119 | 43,6 | 27494 | 11149 | 40,5 |

Results

Live birth rate per cycle and per transfer in patients over 40 years

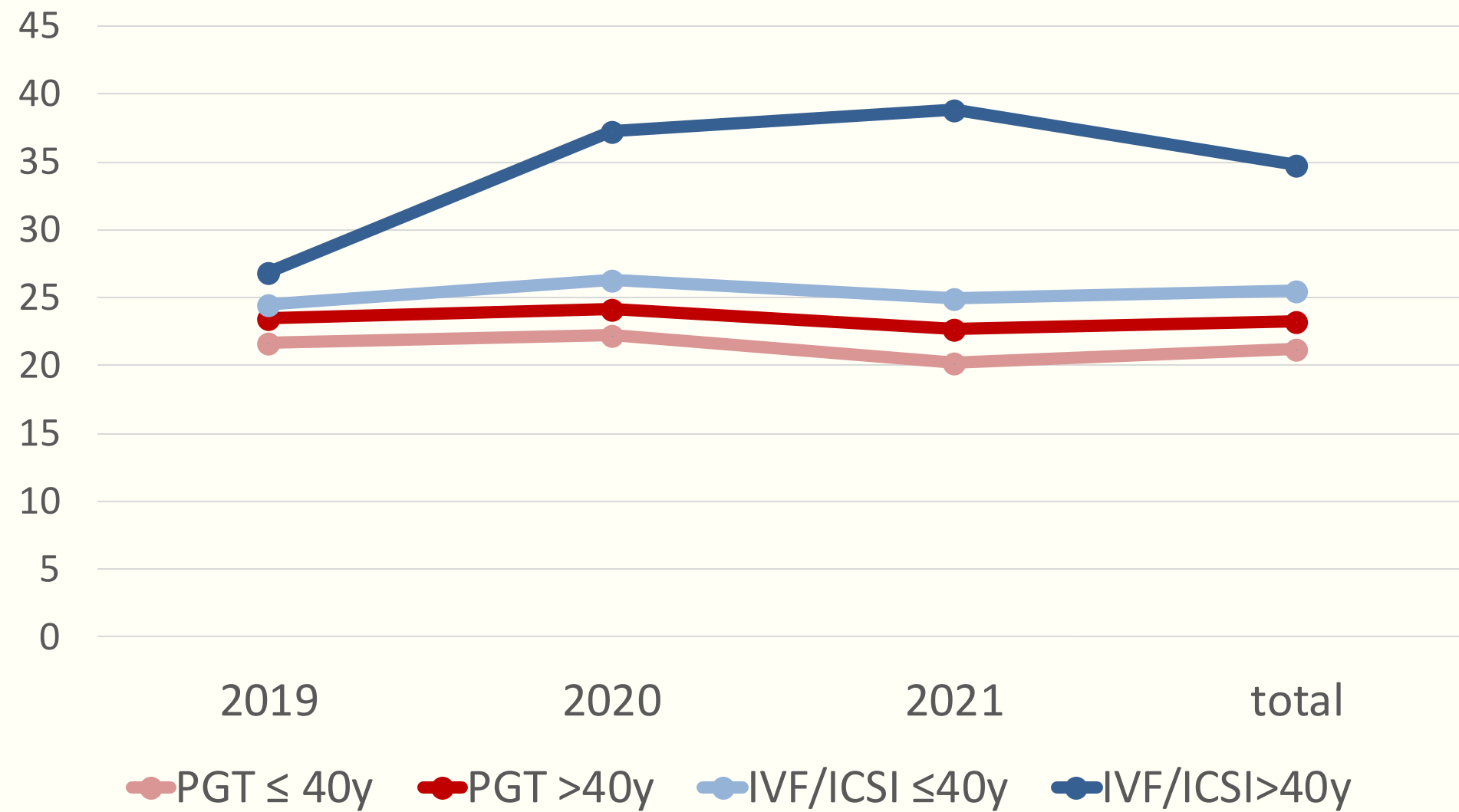


| | PGT | | IVF/ICSI | |
|-------|--------|-------|----------|-------|
| | LBR/ C | LBR/T | LBR/C | LBR/T |
| 2019 | 12,4 | 39,4 | 8,7 | 19 |
| 2020 | 18,5 | 38,8 | 4,9 | 12,3 |
| 2021 | 20 | 40,4 | 4,5 | 12,8 |
| total | 17,3 | 39,7 | 6,16 | 15,2 |

p < 0.01

Results

Miscarriage rate in patients older and younger than 40y



| | PGT | | IVF/ICSI | |
|-------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| | ≤ 40y | >40y | ≤40y | >40y |
| 2019 | 21,7 | 23,46 | 24,5 | 26,93 |
| 2020 | 22,3 | 24,16 | 26,3 | 37,28 |
| 2021 | 20,22 | 22,68 | 25,2 | 38,90 |
| total | 21,24 | 23,30 | 25,3 | 34,8 |

p < 0.01

Results

Number of transfers needed to obtain each live birth

| | PGT | | IVF/ICSI | |
|--------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|
| | ≤ 40y | >40y | ≤40y | >40y |
| 2019 | 2,38 | 2,53 | 3,30 | 5,56 |
| 2020 | 2,52 | 2,58 | 3,20 | 6,03 |
| 2021 | 2,33 | 2,47 | 3,20 | 5,33 |
| total | 2,4 | 2,52 | 3,2 | 5,6 |

p < 0.01

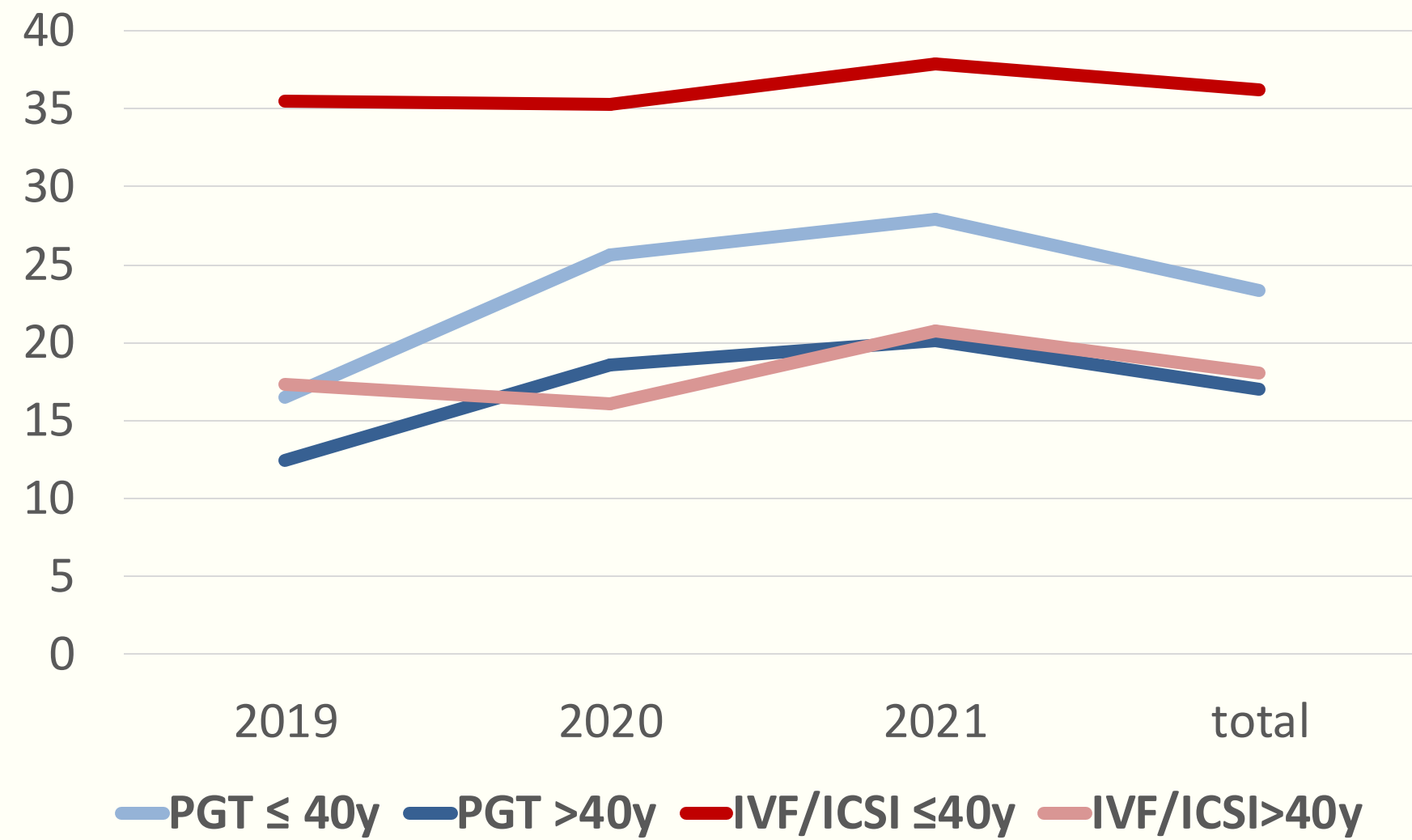
Number of stimulations per live birth achieved

| | PGT | | IVF/ICSI | |
|--------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | ≤ 40y | >40y | ≤40y | >40y |
| 2019 | 6,07 | 8,01 | 2,81 | 5,76 |
| 2020 | 3,9 | 5,39 | 2,83 | 6,19 |
| 2021 | 3,58 | 4,98 | 2,64 | 4,82 |
| total | 4,5 | 5,14 | 2,76 | 5,38 |

p:0,049

Results

Cumulative birth rate



| | PGT | | IVF/ICSI | |
|-------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| | ≤ 40y | >40y | ≤40y | >40y |
| 2019 | 16,48 | 12,49 | 35,5 | 17,3 |
| 2020 | 25,6 | 18,57 | 35,3 | 16,1 |
| 2021 | 27,9 | 20,1 | 37,9 | 20,7 |
| total | 23,3 | 19,45 | 36,2 | 18,58 |

p:0,049

Conclusion

A hand is shown writing on a prescription slip. The slip has the word 'PRESCRIPTION' printed on it. The background is a light, neutral color.

This study confirmed that next-generation sequencing-based preimplantation genetic testing for aneuploidies improve the achievement of a live birth and reduces the abortion rate in women over 40 years old, compared to those achieved with IVF/ICSI.

Limitations, reasons for caution

One of the main weaknesses of the study is that we do not know the number of embryos obtained in PGT-A cycles.



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