



Validation of the Cobas/Ssdw system for trisomy 21 screening in the first trimester of pregnancy: Comparison with the Kryptor/ FastScreen combination

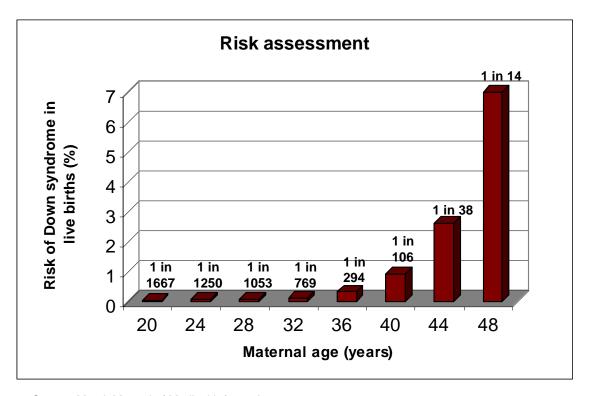
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Prenatal Screening

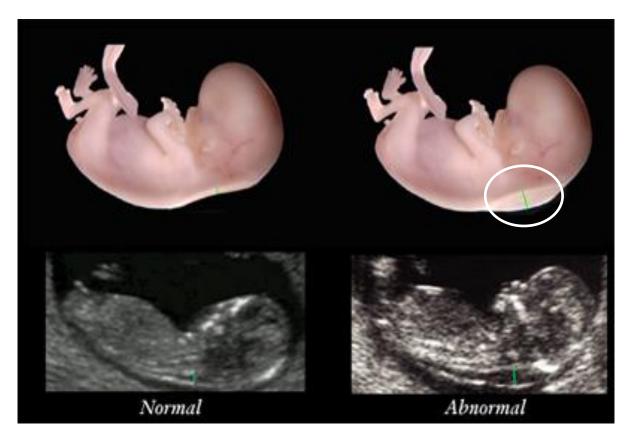
Increasing Down syndrome risk with increasing maternal age



Source: Merck Manual of Medical Information



Nuchal Translucency (NT)

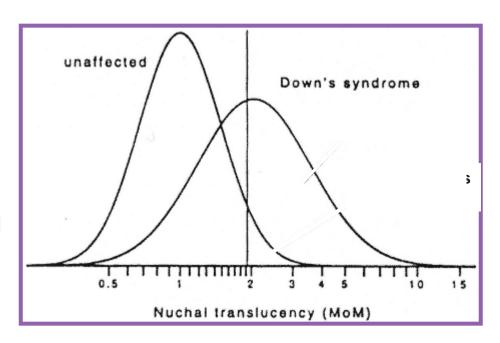




Nuchal Translucency (NT) is increased in case of Down Syndrome, congenital heart defects, other syndromes and conditions.

Sens = 77 % at Spec = 95 % (NT + maternal age, medians according to gestational age and embryo size)

Snijders et al., Lancet 1998;351:343.





Risk Assessment

Comparison of detection rates of different screening methods

Method of screening	DR (%)
Maternal age (MA)	30
MA and maternal serum biochemistry at 15–18 weeks	50-70
MA and fetal nuchal translucency (NT) at 11-13+6 wks	70–80
MA and fetal NT and maternal serum free β-hCG and PAPP-A at 11–13 ⁺⁶ wks	85–90
MA and fetal NT and fetal nasal bone (NB) at 11–13+6 wks	90
MA and fetal NT and NB and maternal serum free β-hCG and PAPP-A at 11–13 ⁺⁶ wks	95

Comparison of the detection rates (DR), for a false positive rate (FPR) of 5% of different screening methods for trisomy 21 in prenatal screening.

Source: FMF, London 2004



Instruments for free β-hCG and PAPP-A determination



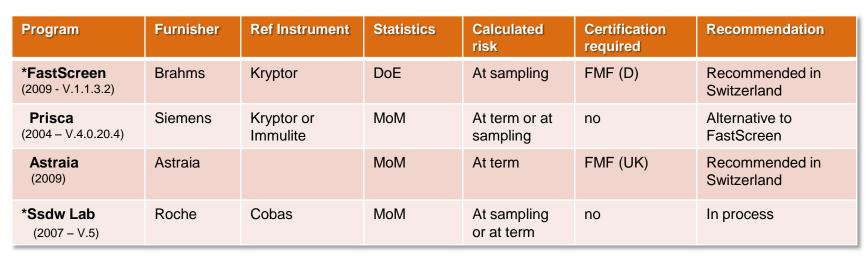
Kryptor (Brahms/Thermo)

(reference method)



(FMF certified since 2010)

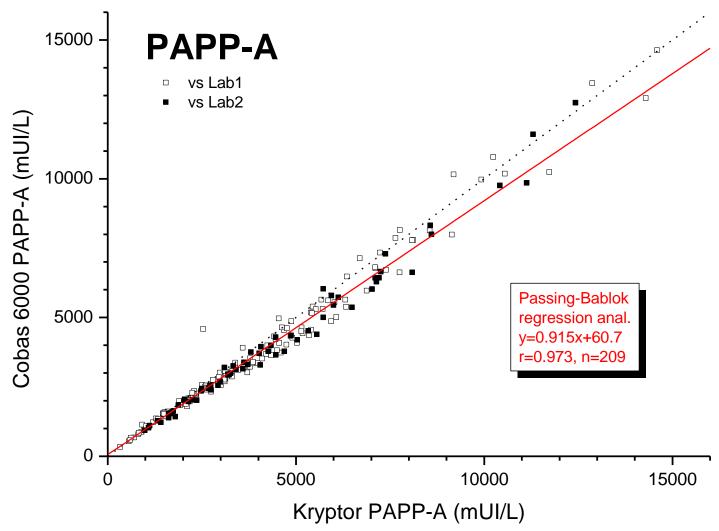
Softwares for risk assessment





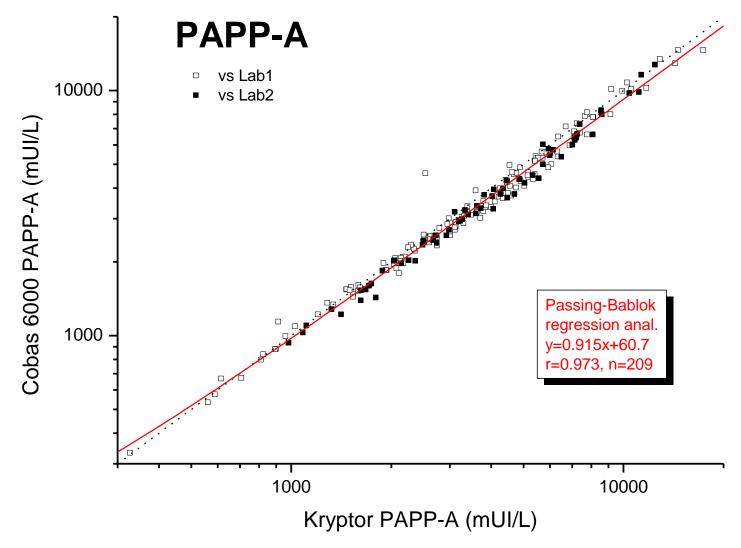


Instrument comparisons



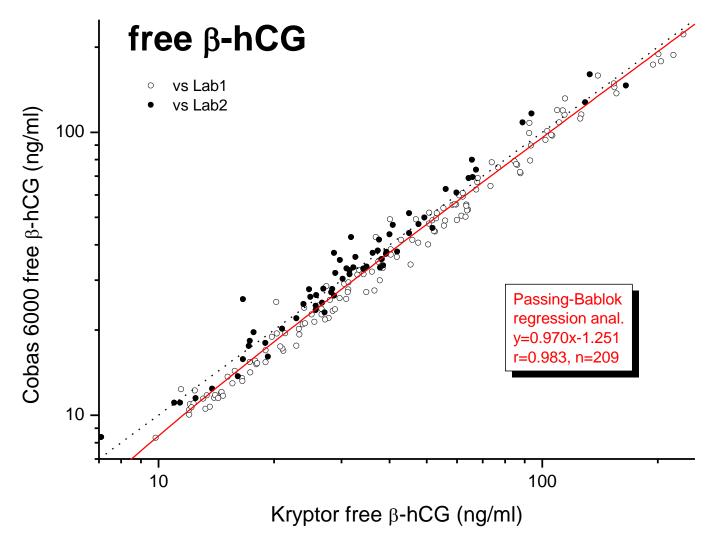


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Performance evaluation

Cohort: 143 pregnancies including

- 40 cases of trisomy 21, plus

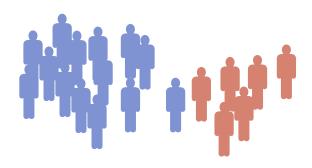
- 103 consecutive controls

Analysis: ROC curve characteristics

Sensitivity and specificity

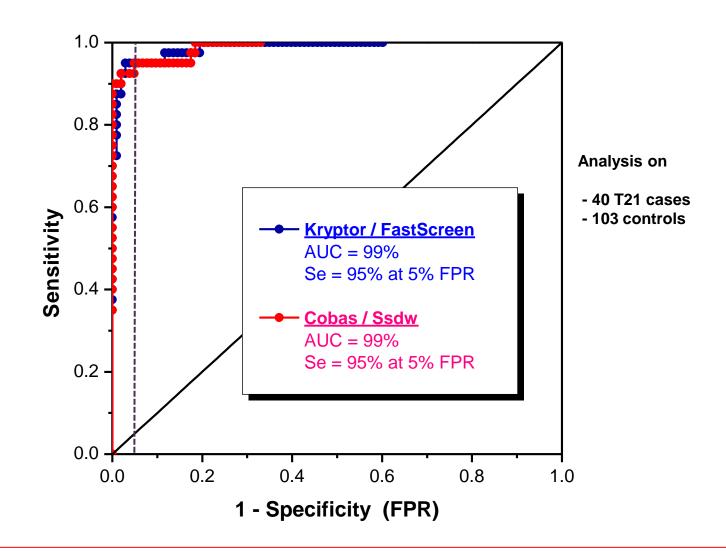
Illegitimate combinations

Influence of nuchal translucency



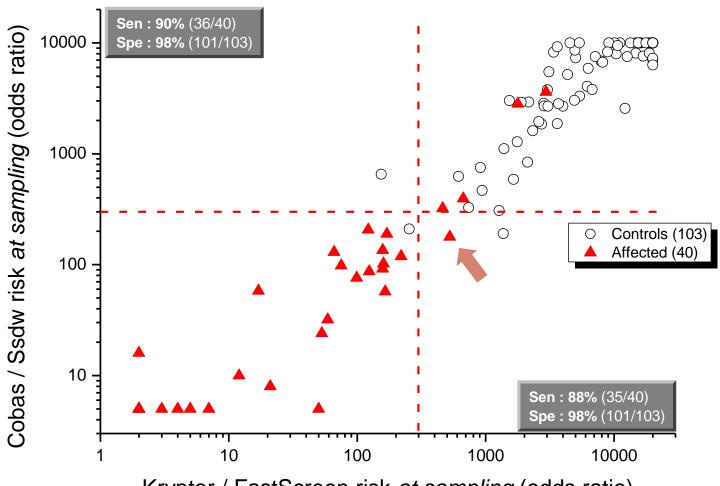


ROC curve analysis





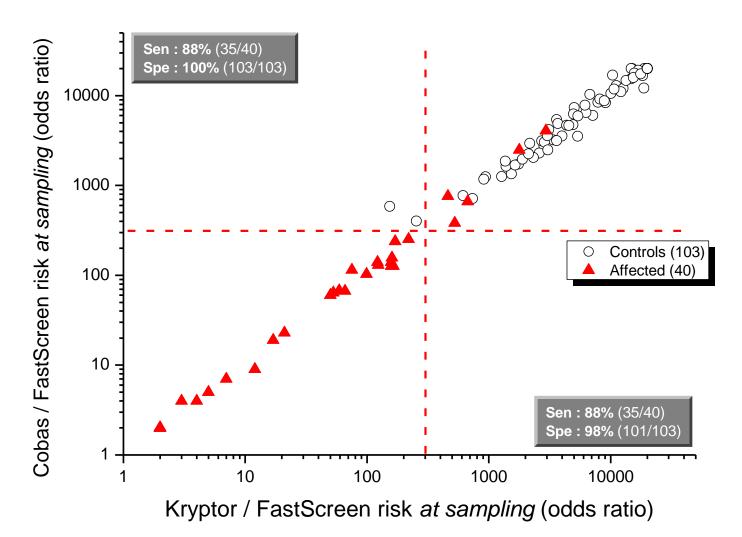
Comparison Kryptor/FastScreen and Cobas/Ssdw



Kryptor / FastScreen risk at sampling (odds ratio)

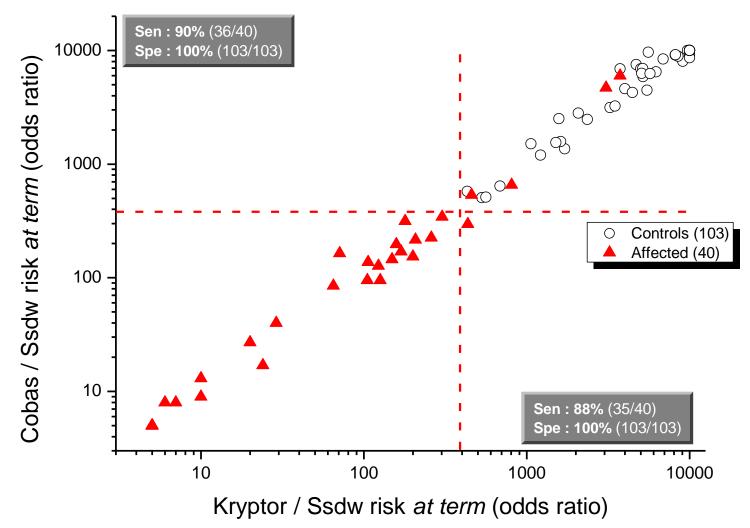


Comparison of instruments using FastScreen



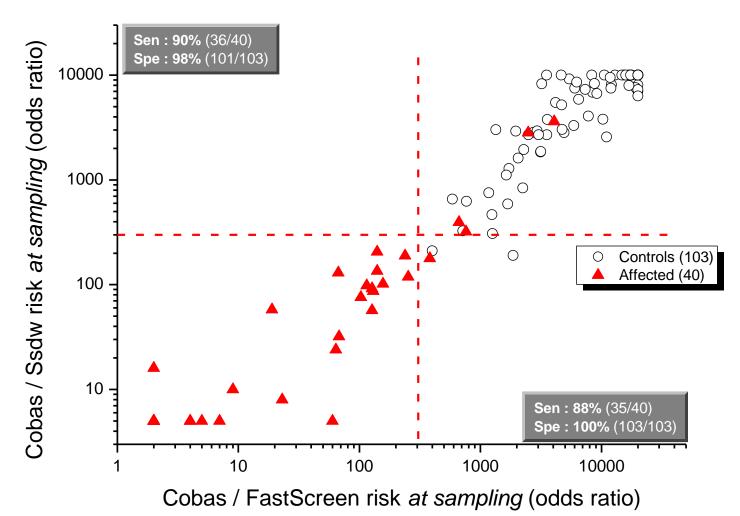


Comparison of instruments using Ssdw



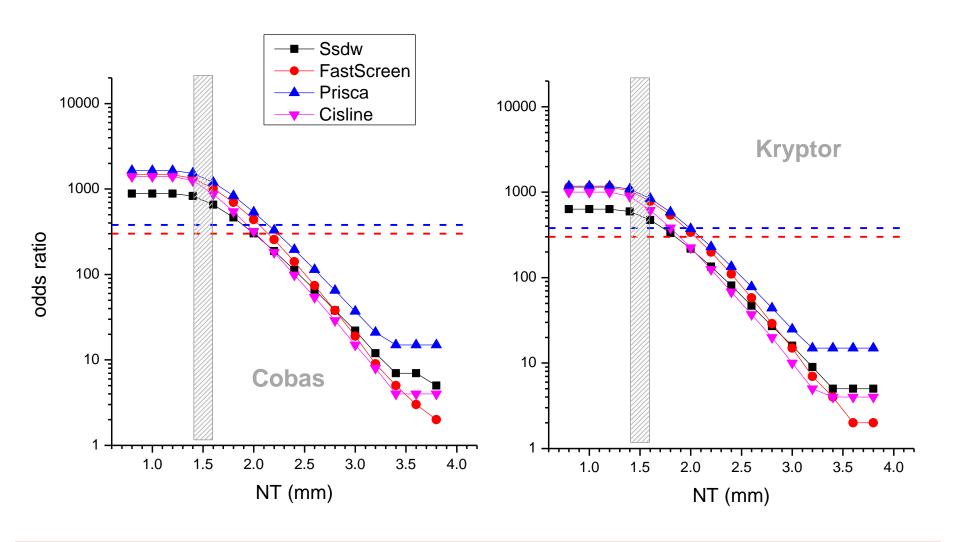


Comparison of softwares using Cobas



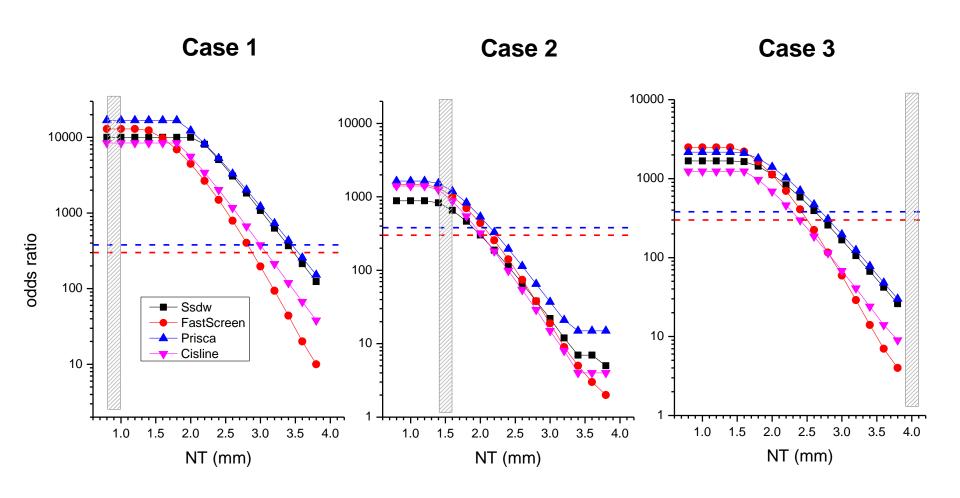


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Conclusion

PAPP-A and free β–hCG determinations in biological samples were similar with the Kryptor and the Cobas e-601

In our cohort, both systems predicted the presence of trisomy 21 with similar sensitivity and specificity

Variability between systems was mostly due to the software, not to the analytical instrument

The weight of the nuchal translucency in the risk assessment was similar in the four tested softwares

In our limited cohort, the Cobas/Ssdw system performed as well as the Kryptor/FastScreen system and therefore could be considered as a new alternative in Switzerland for risk assessment in the first trimester of pregnancy



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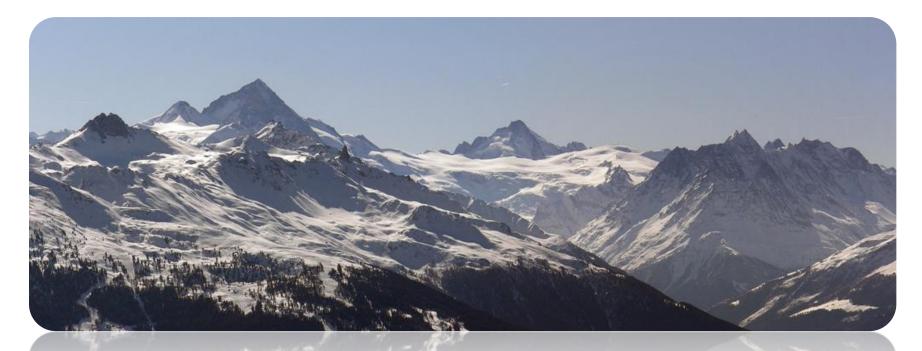
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