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Should we diagnose and treat early GDM?

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Should we diagnose and treat early GDM?

- Where Im from!
- The 24-28 weeks centric view
- GDM as part of a lifecourse condition
- Evidence for early (<20 weeks') GDM
- Evidence for treating GDM
- Conclusion!



Where is Campbelltown?









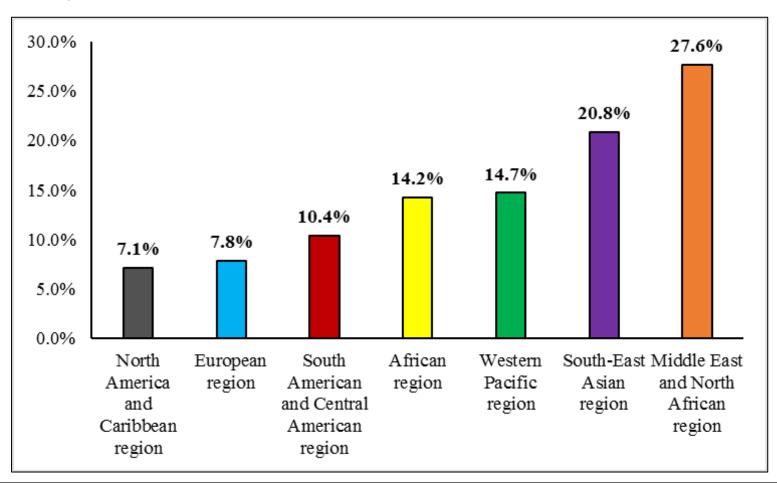
NSW's most multicultural city is in Sydney's southwest

IT'S official: Census figures have uncovered NSW's most multicultural city.



Gestational diabetes

Global prevalence: 14% (standardized to IADPSG criteria)



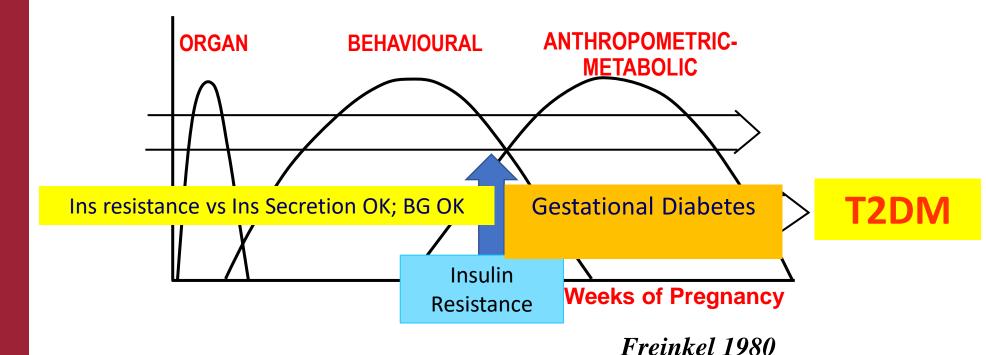
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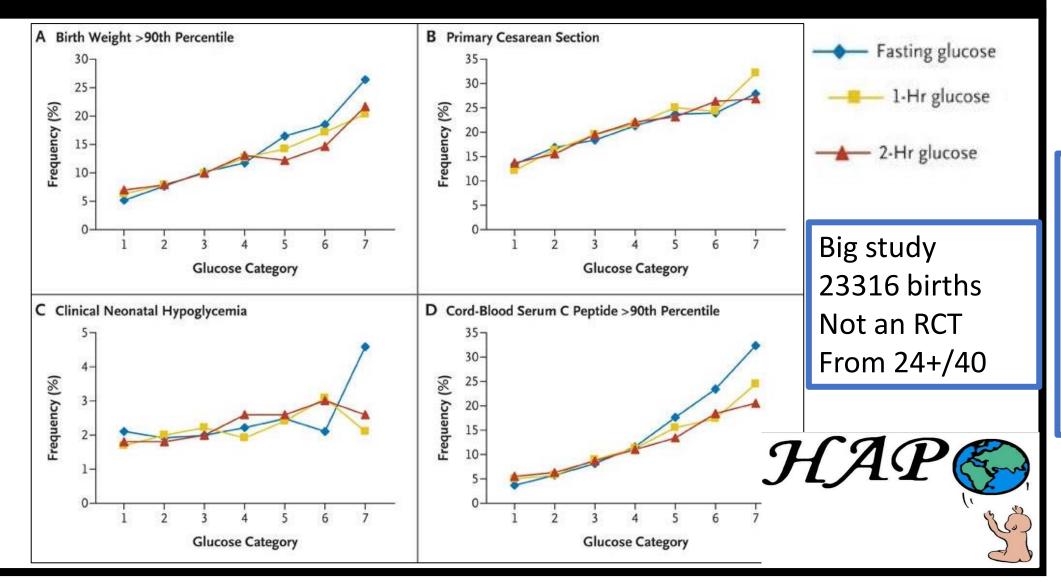
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Maternal glucose - perinatal outcomes



24+/40 RCTs

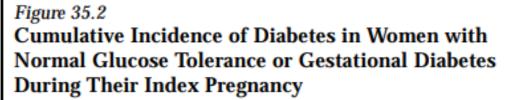
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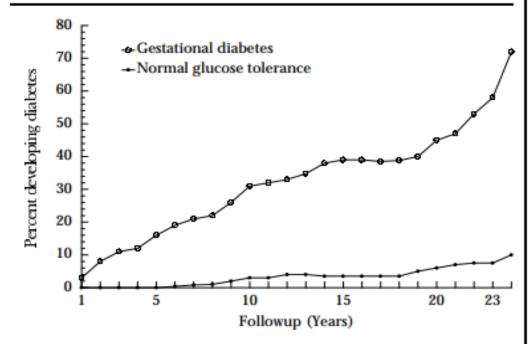


O Sullivan and Mahan From 1964

Cohort of 752 women in 2nd-3rd trimester

- 100g OGTT-3 hours
- 2+/4 tests to avoid reliance on one time point
- Thresholds decided
 - using life tables for mother to develop T2DM in 7-8 years
 - Related to diabetes prevalence (2% at the time)





United States Public Health Service criteria were used to diagnose diabetes during the followup.

Source: Reference 81

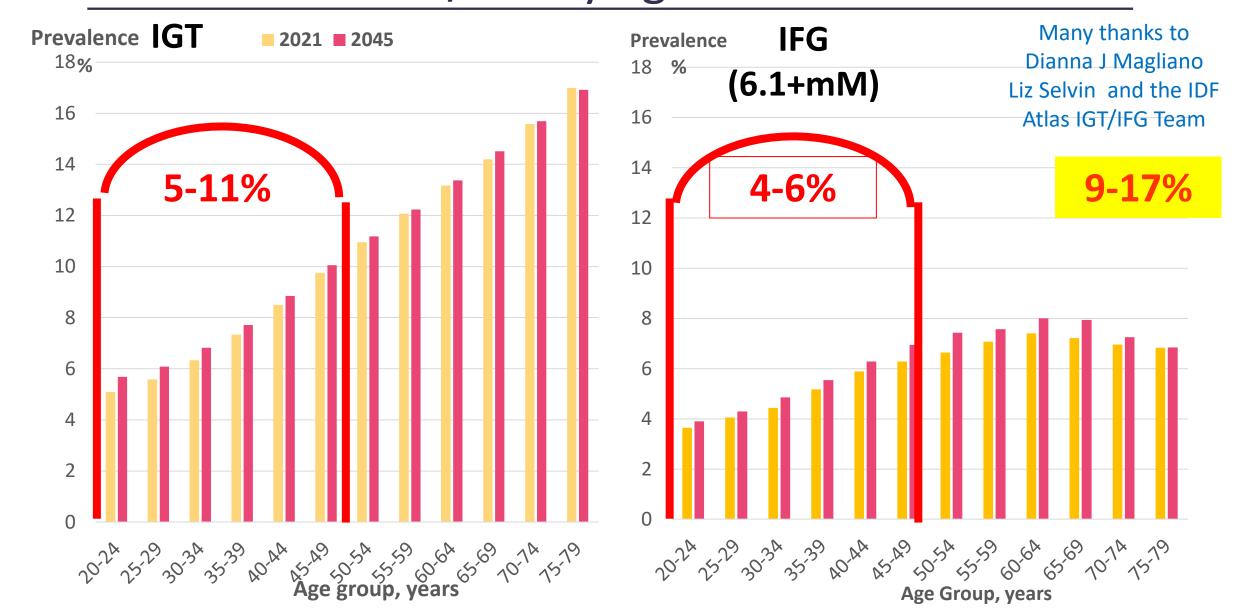


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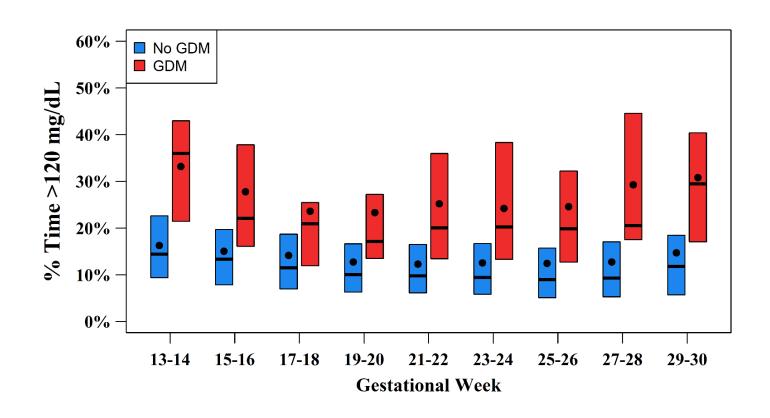
Prevalence of IGT/IFG by age in 2021 & 2045 international Diabetes Federation







Percent Time >120 mg/dL by Gestational Week and GDM Status





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Ins resistance vs Ins Secretion not OK; BG OK

Early Gestational Diabetes

Insulin
Resistance

Weeks of Pregnancy

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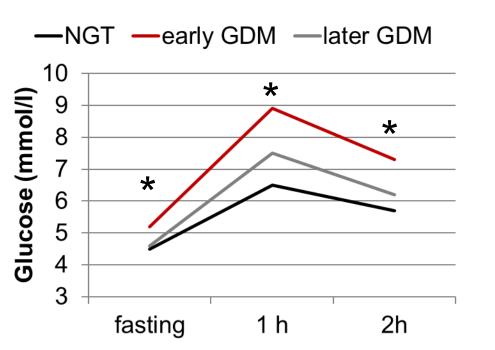
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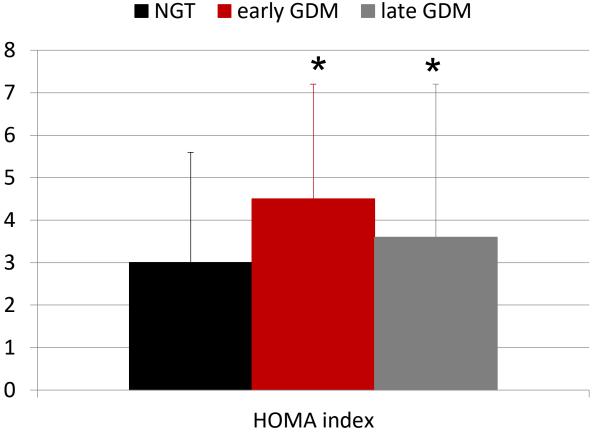
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What is actually happening:



Maternal Metabolic Characteristics





■ late GDM

- Women with early GDM:
 - Higher first and second phase insulin response
 - Higher Waist, BP, triglycerides and free fatty acids

Harreiter et al. Diabetes Care 2016; 39: e90-e92; Egan et al. Diabetologia 2017; 60;1913-1921

Prevalent (Early) GDM: Comparison of pregnancy outcomes with late onset GDM women

Outcome Measure	No of studies (participants)	RR (95% CI) Random effect	
Large for gestational age	7(9622)	1.07 (0.86 to 1.35)	*
Perinatal mortality	7 (9130)	3.58 (1.91 to 6.71)	20.70
Neonatal hypoglycemia	7(6818)	1.61 (1.02 to 2.55)	30-70
Neonatal intensive care unit admission	5(7992)	1.16 (0.90 to 1.49)	All treate
Insulin use	11(8103)	1.71 (1.45 to 2.03)	this is a
Small for gestational age	5(5900)	1.27 (0.92 to 1.75)	treatm
Hypertensive disorders in	10(10091)	1.34(0.98 to 1.82)	
pregnancy			Differe
Preterm delivery	7(7039)	1.16 (0.84 to 1.61)	
Cesarean delivery	9(9685)	1.09(0.94 to 1.26)	OGTT cri
Shoulder dystocia	2(2936)	1.76(0.96 to 3.24)	(but all ι



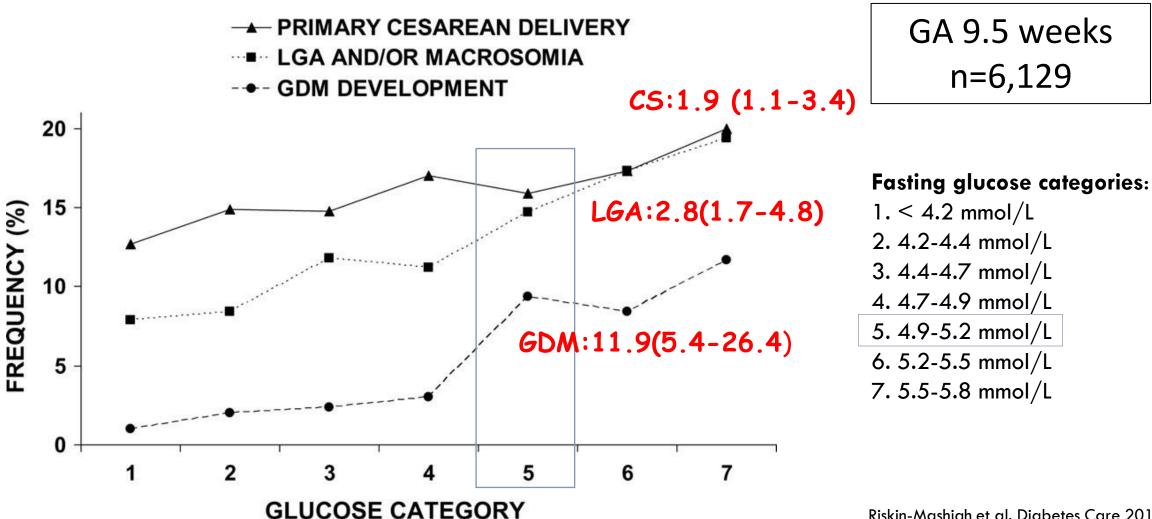
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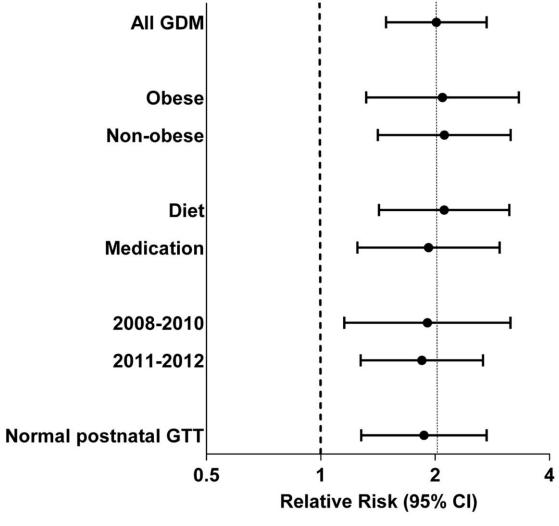
Immanuel, Simmons. Curr Diab Rep. 2017;17:115

The relationship between maternal first trimester glucose and frequency of adverse pregnancy outcomes



Riskin-Mashiah et al. Diabetes Care 2010

Stratified analysis of the association between GDM and abdominal circumference (AC) >90th percentile at 28 wkGA: 28/40 too late



But will treatment improve outcomes?

Ulla Sovio et al. Dia Care 2016;39:982-987



Treatment Of BOoking Gestational diabetes Mellitus Study TOBOGM Hypothesis

Treatment of 'booking GDM'

 Reduces the sequelae of maternal 'hyperglycaemia'





N Engl J Med 2023; 388:2132-2144 DOI: 10.1056/NEJMoa2214956

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Treatment of Gestational Diabetes Mellitus Diagnosed Early in Pregnancy

D. Simmons, J. Immanuel, W.M. Hague, H. Teede, C.J. Nolan, M.J. Peek, J.R. Flack, M. McLean, V. Wong, E. Hibbert, A. Kautzky-Willer, J. Harreiter, H. Backman, E. Gianatti, A. Sweeting, V. Mohan, J. Enticott, and N.W. Cheung, for the TOBOGM Research Group*

This well-conducted trial provides much needed information regarding the benefits and harms of screening for and treating gestational diabetes in early pregnancy.

N Engl J Med 2023; 388:2132-2144 DOI: 10.1056/NEJMoa2214956 International (India, Sweden, Austria, Australia)

Multicentre single blinded RCT of treating early GDM from "booking" or from OGTT results at 24-28 weeks' gestation

TOBOGM Sites





17th May 2017 through 31st March 2022, Last birth October 10th 2022 n=802 in RCT

Participants

Included

- Multicentre study-17 sites-Oz, Swe, India, Austria
- Women aged ≥18 years, Singleton pregnancy
- Risk factor for hyperglycemia in pregnancy
- OGTT between 4 and 19⁺⁶ weeks' gestation

Excluded from the RCT:

- Women with pre-existing diabetes, No GDM
- FBG 6.1+mM/2HBG 11.1+mM
- Major active medical disorders





TOBOGM Study Design

OGTTs performed before 20 weeks n=3672

DIP, FBG≥110 mg/dl Excluded From RCT

Early GDM Randomised into trial n=802

GDM Treatment
Rx Booking
GDM

(Intervention)

n=406

Clinical team and patient notified of GDM diagnosis, early RX commenced

24-28/40 Rx: Birth outcomes Birth measures No Treatment

No Rx Booking GDM (Controls)

n=396

Clinical team and patient notified that GDM Rx is not required but that they have been selected to continue in the study

Rx if 24-28/40 GDM on OGTT

Birth outcomes

Birth measures (includes heelprick)



Results-Baseline data

Variables	Booking GDM-Intervention (N=400)		Booking GDM-Control (N=393)	
	n/N	%/	n/N	%/
Age (years)	400	32.1 ±4.8	393	32.6 ± 4.9
Ethnicity				
White European	150/399	37.6	166/391	42.5
South Asian	129/399	32.3	106/391	27.1
East Asian/SE Asian	51/399	12.8	60/391	15.3
Middle Eastern	32/399	8.0	17/391	4.3
Māori and Pacific	24/399	6.0	22/391	5.6
Islands Other (Aboriginal/				
African/South American)	13/399	3.3	20/391	5.1



Results

Variables	Booking GDM-Intervention (N=400)		Booking GDM-Control (N=393)	
	n/N	%/	n/N	%/
BMI at first visit (kg/m²)	399	32.1 ± 7.7	390	32.9 ± 8.4
OGTT < 14+0 weeks' gestation	104/400	26.0%	80/393	20.4%
HbA1c at 1 st OGTT (%) (mmol/mol)	388	5.2 ± 0.3 (33.4 ± 3.7)	384	5.2 ± 0.3 (33.3 ± 3.4)



PO1: composite of

- Birth <37⁺⁰ weeks' gestation
- Birthweight ≥4500g
- Birth trauma (IADPSG criteria)
- Neonatal respiratory distress
- Need for phototherapy
- Stillbirth/neonatal death
- Shoulder dystocia

Higher=O.R 2.0 =5.3/10.6/9.0 mmol/L

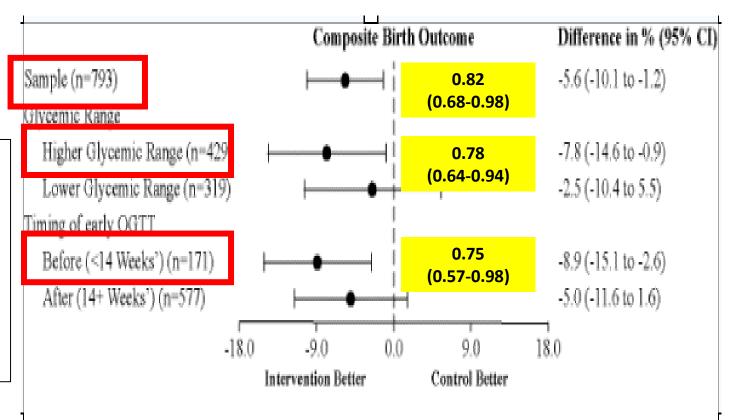
Lower = O.R 1.75 not 2.0 Fasting BG 5.1–5.2mM 1-Hr glucose 10.0–10.5mM 2-Hr glucose 8.5–8.9 mM

TOBOGM Results

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OBOGM Study

GTT performed before 20 weeks and at 24-28 weeks



NNT=18

NNT=13

NNT=11

Vs 24-28 weeks gestation Treatment RCTs

GDM at 24+/40	Definition	Treated	Control
MFMUN	Not defined	1.9%	2.9%
ACHOIS	Need for supplemental oxygen in the neonatal nursery beyond four hours after birth	5%	4%
GEMS	Use of respiratory support	5.1%	5.6%
CDC4G	ICD-Respiratory distress (at least 4 hours' respiratory support with supplemental oxygen, continuous positive airway pressure, and/or intermittent positive pressure ventilation in the first 24 h after delivery)	0.83%	0.65%
CLS 02-08	Respiratory distress syndrome [RDS], Transient Tachypnea of newborn [TTN] (not defined) RDS 4.0%+TTN 5.1%=9.1%		
TOBOGM	warranting ≥4 hrs of respiratory support with supplemental O2	9.8%	17.0%
More severe	Neonatal respiratory distress as above+ Stay in NICU>24 hours	6.3%	9.9%
RDS	Respiratory Distress with admission to neonatal intensive care unit for ≥24 hours with positive pressure ventilatory support for >4 hours.	1.8%	2.0%

Simmons et al. BJOG 2024

GDM Treatment	Intervention (n=400)	Control (n=393)
No Neonatal	52.3%	47.7%
Respiratory	N=363	N=331
distress		
Neonatal	34.3%	65.7%
Respiratory	N=12	N=23
distress-No or ≤1		
day in NICU/SCN		
Neonatal	39.1%	60.9%
Respiratory	N=25	N=39
distress >1 day in		
NICU/SCN		



P=0.019

NICU Bed days

Adjusted			
Treatment effect			
Mean (95% CI)			
-0.78 Bed Days			
(-1.27 to -0.30)			

NICU Bed days/Baby

Adjusted
Treatment effect
%RR (95% CI)
0.60
(0.41 to 0.89)

Total NICU Bed days

No Difference

- Neonatal hypoglycaemia
- LGA
- Lean mass

- PO2: hypertension in pregnancy- composite of:
 - Preeclampsia
 - Eclampsia
 - Gestational hypertension



Neonatal anthropometry

Perineal Injury

Variables	Adjusted	
	Treatment effect	
	Mean (95% CI)	
Birthweight (g)	-72	
	(-128 to -17)	
Sum of neonatal	-1.4	
callipers (mm)	(-2.2 to -0.5)	

Adjusted treatment effect as difference in % (95% CI)

-2.79 (-4.12 to -1.46)

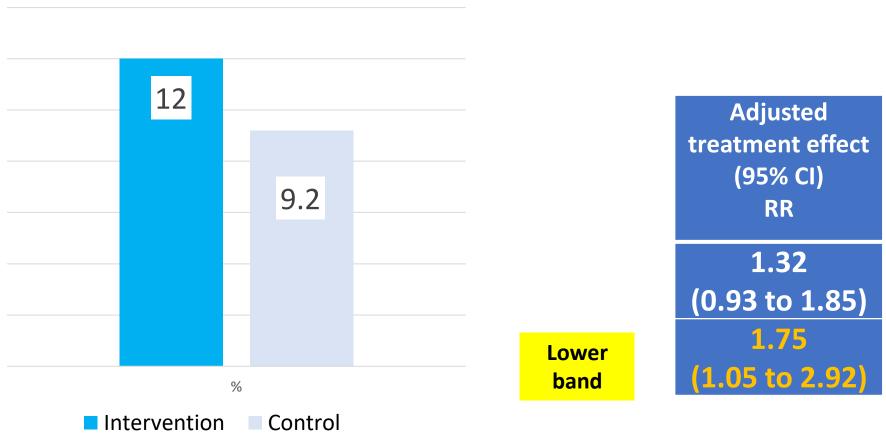
Adjusted treatment effect (95% CI) RR

0.23 (0.10 to 0.51)



(IADPSG: 3rd or 4th degree tear)

SGA





Using GROW to adjust for ethnicity, gestation, height, weight, parity

Increase (sig)

Early OGTT
SBGM, Meds
Endo, CDE, dietitian
OBGYN, ED

Decrease (non-sig)

Delivery NICU/SCN



Cost-effectiveness within the RCT



*P<0.05

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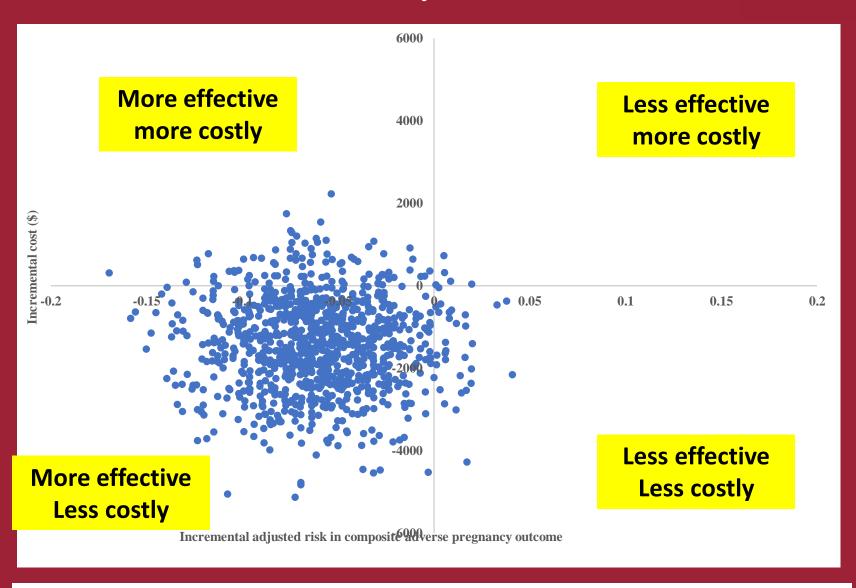
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Difference

https://www.thelancet.com/pdfs /journals/eclinm/PIIS2589-5370(24)00189-5.pdf

pregnancy), more effective

Cost-effectiveness plane within the RCT





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Breastfeeding is improved to background with early treatment vs late

Adjusted for all confounders including birth/neonatal

• No GDM

• Treated early GDM 0.96(0.66-1.38)

• Treated as late GDM 0.62(0.47-0.83)



Some outcomes can not be reversed with late treatment

Mean (95%CI shown)	GDM on early and late OGTT and Rx late	GDM only on late OGTT and Rx'd	No Late GDM
Composite outcome	1.59(1.18-2.12)	1.19(0.94-1.50)	1

No difference in LGA, Ht in pregnancy, LSCS, phototherapy

Adjusting for prespecified factors of site, age, pre-pregnancy BMI, ethnicity, current smoking, primigravidity, tertiary qualifications;

Simmons D et al, Diabetes Care. 2024 Feb 29:dc231667. doi: 10.2337/dc23-1667. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 38421672.

Summary-Early OGTT and Treatment if GDM

- ↓ 25% Composite (From 10-13+6/40)
 - Birth <37⁺⁰/40; Birthweight ≥4500g; Shoulder dystocia;
 - Birth trauma; Neonatal respiratory distress; Need for phototherapy; death
- ↓77% Perineal Injury (3rd/4th Deg' tears)
- ↓0.8 bed days NICU/SCN
- 个73% SGA with lower glucose band
- ↑Quality of Life at 24-28/40
- ↑56% Breastfeeding initiation
- A\$5548 saved per woman tested if before 14/40

Conclusion

- Treatment of gestational diabetes among women with risk factors before 20 weeks' gestation was effective especially 10-14 weeks' gestation and at
 - Fasting glucose 5.3–6.0 mmol/L
 - 1-hour glucose ≥10.6 mmol/L
 - 2-hour glucose 9.0–11.0 mmol/L
- Harm was suggested in the lower band (5.1mM, 10mM, 8.5mM)
- ADDRESSES neonatal metabolic consequences of early maternal hyperglycaemia not addressed by late treatment
- Follow up study needed-mother and offspring



For the 30-70% of women with early GDM, 24-28 weeks is too late-Yes! We should diagnose and treat!

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