Prenatal Genomics Symposium



1. Please provide other key issues that you/your institution wish to explore at the symposium.

		Which job role describes you best?				
	Clinical Geneticist	Cytogeneticist/Molecular Genetic Fetal Medicine				
	7 replies	6 replies	5 replies	1 reply	18	
answered question	7	6	5	1	18	
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2. Which job role describes you best?

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	Clinical Geneticist	Laboratory Cytogeneticist/Molecular Geneticist	Clinical Genetic Counsellor	Obstetrician/Maternal Fetal Medicine Specialist	Response Totals	
Clinical Geneticist	100.0% (16)	21.4% (3)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	40.0% (16)	
Laboratory Cytogeneticist/Molecular Geneticist	18.8% (3)	100.0% (14)	0.0%	0.0%	35.0% (14)	
Genetic technologist	0.0%	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0%	0.0%	
Clinical Genetic Counsellor	0.0%	0.0% (0)	100.0% (11)	0.0%	27.5% (11)	
Laboratory Genetic Counsellor	0.0%	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0%	
Obstetrician/Maternal Fetal Medicine Specialist	0.0%	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	100.0% (2)	5.0%	
Bioethicist	0.0%	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0%	
Other (please specify)	0 replies	0 replies	0 replies	0 replies	0	
answered question	16	14	11	2	40	
				skipped question	0	

3. Which institution do you work for ? (please answer to your comfort level -if you wish to maintain anonymity, please consider indicating Province only or may leave blank)

		Which job role describes you best?				
	Clinical Geneticist	Cytogeneticist/Molecular Genetic Fetal Medicine				
	7 replies	9 replies	6 replies	0 replies	20	
answered question	7	9	6	0	20	
				skipped question	20	

4. How often do you order prenatal chromosomal microarray or report out a prenatal microarray?

		Which job role describes you best?				
	Clinical Geneticist	Laboratory Cytogeneticist/Molecular Geneticist	Clinical Genetic Counsellor	Obstetrician/Maternal Fetal Medicine Specialist	Response Totals	
Extremely often- every day	12.5% (2)	21.4% (3)	9.1% (1)	0.0% (0)	15.0% (6)	
Very often-one or more a week	50.0% (8)	21.4% (3)	45.5% (5)	0.0% (0)	37.5% (15)	
Moderately often-one or more times a month	18.8% (3)	14.3% (2)	18.2% (2)	50.0% (1)	17.5% (7)	
Slightly often-less than once a month	18.8%	21.4% (3)	18.2% (2)	0.0%	17.5% (7)	
Not at all	0.0%	21.4% (3)	9.1% (1)	50.0% (1)	12.5% (5)	
answered question	16	14	11	2	40	
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5. Do you think all pregnant women, irrespective of their a priori risk assessment, should be offered an invasive procedure, assuming adequate counselling regarding risks and benefits has been provided?

		Which job role describes you best?				
	Clinical Geneticist	Laboratory Cytogeneticist/Molecular Geneticist	Clinical Genetic Counsellor	Obstetrician/Maternal Fetal Medicine Specialist	Response Totals	
yes	18.8% (3)	28.6% (4)	27.3% (3)	0.0%	25.0% (10)	
no	68.8% (11)	57.1% (8)	54.5% (6)	100.0% (2)	62.5% (25)	
not sure	12.5% (2)	14.3% (2)	18.2% (2)	0.0%	12.5% (5)	
why?	11 replies	10 replies	5 replies	1 reply	27	
answered question	16	14	11	2	40	
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6. At your institution, when do you currently offer prenatal chromosomal microarray after normal QFPCR/FISH aneuoploidy screen ? choose all that apply

		Which job role des	cribes you be	st?	
	Clinical Geneticist	Laboratory Cytogeneticist/Molecular Geneticist	Clinical Genetic Counsellor	Obstetrician/Maternal Fetal Medicine Specialist	Response Totals
We DO NOT offer prenatal chromosome microarray for any indication	0.0% (0)	7.7% (1)	0.0%	0.0% (0)	2.6%
When a parent is a carrier of a cryptic chromosomal rearrangement or had previous pregnancy/child with a microarray abnormality	100.0% (16)	69.2% (9)	90.9% (10)	100.0% (1)	86.8% (33)
When there is a fetal structural anomaly identified on ultrasound	87.5% (14)	69.2% (9)	100.0% (11)	100.0% (1)	86.8% (33)
Increased nuchal translucency	43.8% (7)	46.2% (6)	54.5% (6)	0.0%	47.4% (18)
Cystic hygroma	62.5% (10)	53.8% (7)	81.8% (9)	0.0%	68.4% (26)
Soft marker for aneuploidy	6.3% (1)	7.7% (1)	0.0% (0)	0.0%	5.3% (2)
Positive screen for common aneuploidy	6.3% (1)	7.7% (1)	0.0% (0)	0.0%	5.3% (2)
Advanced maternal age (greater than 35)	6.3% (1)	0.0% (0)	0.0%	0.0%	2.6%
Maternal anxiety	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
ANY indication	0.0%	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0%
I do not work in a prenatal setting	0.0%	23.1% (3)	0.0% (0)	0.0%	7.9% (3)

Other (please specify)	3 replies	6 replies	4 replies	1 reply	14
answered question	16	13	11	1	38
				skipped question	2

7. When do you think we should order a prenatal microarray (assume normal QFPCR/FISH for aneuoploidy)? Select all which apply.

			Which job role describes you best?					
		Clinical Geneticist	Laboratory Cytogeneticist/Molecular Geneticist	Clinical Genetic Counsellor	Obstetrician/Maternal Fetal Medicine Specialist	Response Totals		
Not for any indication	yes	10.0% (1)	27.3% (3)	0.0%	0.0% (0)			
	no	90.0% (9)	72.7% (8)	83.3% (5)	100.0% (2)			
	not sure	0.0%	0.0% (0)	16.7% (1)	0.0% (0)			
		10	11	6	2	27		
When a parent is a carrier of a cryptic	yes	93.8% (15)	85.7% (12)	90.9% (10)	100.0% (2)			
chromosomal rearrangement or had previous	no	6.3%	7.1% (1)	0.0%	0.0% (0)			
pregnancy/child with a microarray abnormality	not sure	0.0%	7.1% (1)	9.1% (1)	0.0% (0)			
		16	14	11	2	40		
When there is a fetal structural anomaly	yes	87.5% (14)	100.0% (14)	90.9% (10)	100.0% (2)			
identified on ultrasound	no	6.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0% (0)			
	not sure	6.3%	0.0% (0)	9.1% (1)	0.0% (0)			

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Increased nuchal translucency	yes	57.1% (8)	76.9% (10)	54.5% (6)	50.0% (1)	
	no	14.3% (2)	15.4% (2)	27.3% (3)	0.0%	
	not sure	28.6% (4)	7.7% (1)	18.2% (2)	50.0% (1)	
		14	13	11	2	38
Cystic hygroma	yes	68.8% (11)	78.6% (11)	90.9% (10)	100.0% (2)	
	no	0.0%	7.1% (1)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
	not sure	31.3% (5)	14.3% (2)	9.1% (1)	0.0%	
		16	14	11	2	40
Soft marker for aneuploidy	yes	0.0%	46.2% (6)	10.0%	0.0% (0)	
	no	72.7% (8)	46.2% (6)	70.0% (7)	0.0%	
	not sure	27.3% (3)	7.7% (1)	20.0%	100.0% (2)	
		11	13	10	2	34
Positive screen for common	yes	8.3% (1)	46.2% (6)	10.0% (1)	0.0%	
aneuploidy	no	75.0% (9)	46.2% (6)	80.0% (8)	33.3% (1)	
	not sure	16.7% (2)	7.7% (1)	10.0% (1)	66.7% (2)	
		12	13	10	3	35
Advanced maternal age (greater than 35)	yes	8.3% (1)	23.1% (3)	10.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	

	no	66.7% (8)	53.8% (7)	80.0% (8)	0.0%	
	not sure	25.0% (3)	23.1% (3)	10.0% (1)	100.0% (2)	
		12	13	10	2	35
Maternal anxiety	yes	8.3% (1)	23.1% (3)	0.0% (0)	0.0%	
	no	66.7% (8)	69.2% (9)	80.0% (8)	50.0% (1)	
	not sure	25.0% (3)	7.7% (1)	20.0% (2)	50.0% (1)	
		12	13	10	2	35
ANY indication	yes	0.0%	23.1% (3)	0.0%	0.0%	
	no	88.9% (8)	69.2% (9)	77.8% (7)	100.0% (2)	
	not sure	11.1% (1)	7.7% (1)	22.2% (2)	0.0%	
		9	13	9	2	31
Other (please s	pecify)	8 replies	4 replies	3 replies	1 reply	16
answered qu	estion	16	14	11	2	40
					skipped question	0

8. Under which circumstances do you think a reflex prenatal karyotype is warranted?

			Which job role des	cribes you be	st?	
		Clinical Geneticist	Laboratory Cytogeneticist/Molecular Geneticist	Clinical Genetic Counsellor	Obstetrician/Maternal Fetal Medicine Specialist	Response Totals
all indications when microarray with SNP is normal	yes	13.3% (2)	0.0% (0)	30.0% (3)	0.0% (0)	
mar era le normal	no	80.0% (12)	100.0% (13)	50.0% (5)	50.0% (1)	
	not sure	6.7% (1)	0.0% (0)	20.0% (2)	50.0% (1)	
		15	13	10	2	37
parental balanced translocation when microarray with SNP is normal	yes	33.3% (5)	57.1% (8)	60.0% (6)	50.0% (1)	
	no	53.3% (8)	42.9% (6)	30.0%	0.0%	
	not sure	13.3% (2)	0.0% (0)	10.0% (1)	50.0% (1)	
	-	15	14	10	2	38
unbalanced fetal microarray	yes	68.8% (11)	41.7% (5)	54.5% (6)	50.0% (1)	
revealing a deletion/duplication	no	18.8% (3)	41.7% (5)	45.5% (5)	0.0%	
	not sure	12.5% (2)	16.7% (2)	0.0%	50.0% (1)	
		16	12	11	2	38
abnormal QFPCR indicating common anueoploidy (note some centres considering parental karyotypes to	yes	87.5% (14)	76.9% (10)	90.9% (10)	0.0% (0)	
	no	6.3% (1)	23.1% (3)	9.1% (1)	50.0% (1)	

avoid need for prenatal cell cultures in such cases)	not sure	6.3%	0.0% (0)	0.0%	50.0% (1)	
		16	13	11	2	39
Other (please s	pecify)	3 replies	4 replies	1 reply	0 replies	8
answered qu	estion	16	14	11	2	40
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9. If prenatal microarray is to be done, should there be a consent form? And if so, what key issues/points should be addressed?

		Which job role describes you best?					
	Clinical Geneticist	Laboratory Cytogeneticist/Molecular Geneticist	Clinical Genetic Counsellor	Obstetrician/Maternal Fetal Medicine Specialist	Response Totals		
no	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		
yes-please comment on key points below	87.5% (14)	100.0% (14)	81.8% (9)	100.0% (2)	90.0% (36)		
not sure	12.5% (2)	0.0% (0)	18.2% (2)	0.0%	10.0% (4)		
why? and if yes, key points	14 replies	13 replies	11 replies	2 replies	40		
answered question	16	14	11	2	40		
				skipped question	0		

10. Should patients have the opportunity, through the consent process, to select what kind of data, if any, they would like withheld from the report? If yes, check all which apply.

	Which job role describes you best?					
	Clinical Geneticist	Laboratory Cytogeneticist/Molecular Geneticist	Clinical Genetic Counsellor	Obstetrician/Maternal Fetal Medicine Specialist	Response Totals	
no	0.0%	14.3% (2)	0.0%	0.0%	5.0% (2)	
yes-can elect to withhold Variants of Unknown Significance (VOUS)	68.8% (11)	50.0% (7)	63.6% (7)	100.0% (2)	60.0% (24)	
yes-can elect to withhold findings associated only with adult onset conditions for which their is no treatment	100.0% (16)	71.4% (10)	72.7% (8)	100.0% (2)	82.5% (33)	
yes- can elect to withhold findings only revealing an autosomal recessive carrier state	56.3% (9)	35.7% (5)	36.4% (4)	100.0% (2)	50.0% (20)	
yes- can elect to withhold findings only disclosing the possibility of non- paternity	75.0% (12)	35.7% (5)	36.4% (4)	100.0% (2)	52.5% (21)	
yes- can elect to withhold findings only disclosing the possibility of consangunity	50.0% (8)	28.6% (4)	18.2% (2)	100.0% (2)	37.5% (15)	
yes- can elect to withhold findings only related to uniparental disomy	12.5% (2)	14.3% (2)	18.2% (2)	100.0% (2)	20.0% (8)	
yes-other: please comment	6.3% (1)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.5% (1)	
not sure	18.8%	14.3% (2)	27.3% (3)	0.0%	20.0%	
Why?	5 replies	6 replies	5 replies	1 reply	17	

answered question	16	14	11	2	40
			skipped question		0

11. Regarding Variants of Unknown Significance (VOUS) and Copy Number Variants (CNV), unwhich circumstances should they be reported? NOTE: IF the format of this question does not show you would wish to respond, please feel free to comment using the text box below.

			Which job role describes you best?				
		Clinical Geneticist	Laboratory Cytogeneticist/Molecular Geneticist	Clinical Genetic Counsellor	Obstetrician/Maternal Fetal Medicine Specialist	Re	
benign CNV	always	7.1% (1)	7.1% (1)	20.0%	0.0% (0)		
	only if patient consents to knowing this information	14.3% (2)	0.0% (0)	20.0% (2)	0.0% (0)		
	only if there is a structural anomaly (hard finding) on ultrasound	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)		
	only if a post-natal concern is raised	7.1% (1)	0.0% (0)	0.0%	0.0% (0)		
	not sure	0.0%	0.0%	10.0% (1)	100.0% (2)		
	never	71.4% (10)	92.9% (13)	50.0% (5)	0.0%		
		14	14	10	2		
pathogenic CNV (within targeted	always	85.7% (12)	86.7% (13)	66.7% (8)	0.0%		

region or based on size/genetic content predicted to be pathogenic)	only if patient consents to knowing this information	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	16.7% (2)	0.0% (0)
	only if there is a structural anomaly (hard finding) on ultrasound	0.0% (0)	6.7% (1)	8.3% (1)	0.0% (0)
	only if a post-natal concern is raised	14.3% (2)	6.7% (1)	8.3% (1)	0.0% (0)
	not sure	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0% (2)
	never	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
		14	15	12	2
likely pathogenic CNVs (based on	always	78.6% (11)	60.0% (9)	80.0% (8)	0.0%
size/gene content predicted to have ability to be pathogenic)	only if patient consents to knowing this information	7.1% (1)	26.7% (4)	10.0% (1)	0.0% (0)
	only if there is a structural anomaly (hard finding) on ultrasound	0.0% (0)	6.7% (1)	10.0% (1)	0.0% (0)
	only if a post-natal concern is raised	14.3% (2)	6.7% (1)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)

	not sure	0.0%	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	100.0% (2)
	never	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0% (0)
		14	15	10	2
VOUS-with genes not known to be	always	7.1% (1)	0.0% (0)	23.1% (3)	0.0% (0)
associated with a genetic disorder	only if patient consents to knowing this information	42.9% (6)	35.7% (5)	38.5% (5)	0.0% (0)
	only if there is a structural anomaly (hard finding) on ultrasound	7.1% (1)	7.1% (1)	15.4% (2)	0.0% (0)
	only if a post-natal concern is raised	7.1% (1)	7.1% (1)	7.7% (1)	0.0% (0)
	not sure	28.6% (4)	7.1% (1)	7.7% (1)	100.0% (2)
	never	7.1% (1)	42.9% (6)	7.7% (1)	0.0%
		14	14	13	2
VOUS-with genes associated with a disorder but not	always	28.6% (4)	6.7% (1)	20.0% (3)	0.0% (0)
known if expression is affected e.g. partial gene duplication or duplication found but disorder	only if patient consents to knowing this information	28.6% (4)	33.3% (5)	40.0% (6)	0.0% (0)
associated with deletion only	only if				

	there is a structural anomaly (hard finding) on ultrasound	0.0% (0)	6.7% (1)	13.3% (2)	0.0% (0)
	only if a post-natal concern is raised	7.1% (1)	6.7% (1)	13.3% (2)	0.0% (0)
	not sure	21.4% (3)	26.7% (4)	13.3% (2)	100.0% (2)
	never	14.3% (2)	20.0% (3)	0.0%	0.0%
		14	15	15	2
CNVs known to be only associated with a predisposition	always	25.0% (4)	26.7% (4)	33.3% (3)	0.0% (0)
to neurodevelopmental disorders (eg autism)	only if patient consents to knowing this information	56.3% (9)	40.0% (6)	66.7% (6)	0.0% (0)
	only if there is a structural anomaly (hard finding) on ultrasound	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)
	only if a post-natal concern is raised	0.0% (0)	6.7% (1)	0.0%	0.0%
	not sure	18.8% (3)	13.3% (2)	0.0% (0)	100.0% (2)
	never	0.0% (0)	13.3% (2)	0.0% (0)	0.0%
		16	15	9	2

CNVs known to be only associated with an adult onset	always	7.1% (1)	7.7% (1)	8.3%	0.0% (0)
condition (no current treatment exists)	only if patient consents to knowing this information	57.1% (8)	46.2% (6)	66.7% (8)	0.0% (0)
	only if there is a structural anomaly (hard finding) on ultrasound	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0%
	only if a post-natal concern is raised	0.0%	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0%
	not sure	14.3%	30.8% (4)	8.3% (1)	100.0% (2)
	never	21.4%	15.4% (2)	16.7% (2)	0.0%
		14	13	12	2
CNVs revealing an autosomal recessive condition	always	26.7% (4)	13.3% (2)	38.5% (5)	0.0% (0)
recessive condition	only if patient consents to knowing this information	40.0% (6)	33.3% (5)	30.8% (4)	0.0% (0)
	only if there is a structural anomaly (hard finding) on ultrasound	0.0% (0)	13.3% (2)	7.7% (1)	0.0%
	only if a post-natal	0.0%	6.7%	7.7%	0.0%

	concern is raised	(0)	(1)	(1)	(0)
	not sure	20.0%	13.3% (2)	7.7% (1)	100.0% (2)
	never	13.3% (2)	20.0%	7.7% (1)	0.0%
		15	15	13	2
CNVs with only involving genes on the American	always	30.8%	23.1% (3)	18.2% (2)	0.0% (0)
College of Medical Genetics incident findings list	only if patient consents to knowing this information	23.1% (3)	23.1% (3)	45.5% (5)	0.0% (0)
	only if there is a structural anomaly (hard finding) on ultrasound	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0%
	only if a post-natal concern is raised	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0%	0.0%
	not sure	38.5% (5)	46.2% (6)	36.4% (4)	100.0% (2)
	never	7.7% (1)	7.7% (1)	0.0%	0.0%
		13	13	11	2
PI	ease comment	6 replies	3 replies	2 replies	0 replies
answ	ered question	14	14	10	2
					skipped question

12. Should a Canadian guideline for prenatal reporting of Variants of Unknown Significance be developed?

	Which job role describes you best?					
	Clinical Geneticist	Laboratory Cytogeneticist/Molecular Geneticist	Clinical Genetic Counsellor	Obstetrician/Maternal Fetal Medicine Specialist	Response Totals	
yes	81.3% (13)	92.9% (13)	81.8% (9)	100.0% (2)	85.0% (34)	
no	6.3% (1)	7.1% (1)	0.0%	0.0% (0)	5.0% (2)	
not sure	12.5% (2)	0.0%	18.2% (2)	0.0%	10.0%	
Why?	9 replies	8 replies	5 replies	1 reply	23	
answered question	16	14	11	2	40	
				skipped question	0	

13. Any other issues you would like to have addressed? Comments?

		Which job role describes you best?					
	Clinical Geneticist	Laboratory Cytogeneticist/Molecular Geneticist	Clinical Obstetrician/Maternal Genetic Fetal Medicine Counsellor Specialist		Response Count		
	3 replies	4 replies	1 reply	0 replies	8		
answered question	3	4	1	0	8		
				skipped question	32		