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# Prediction for a Successful Induction of Labour

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# Pre-induction cervical length

## Prediction of vaginal delivery

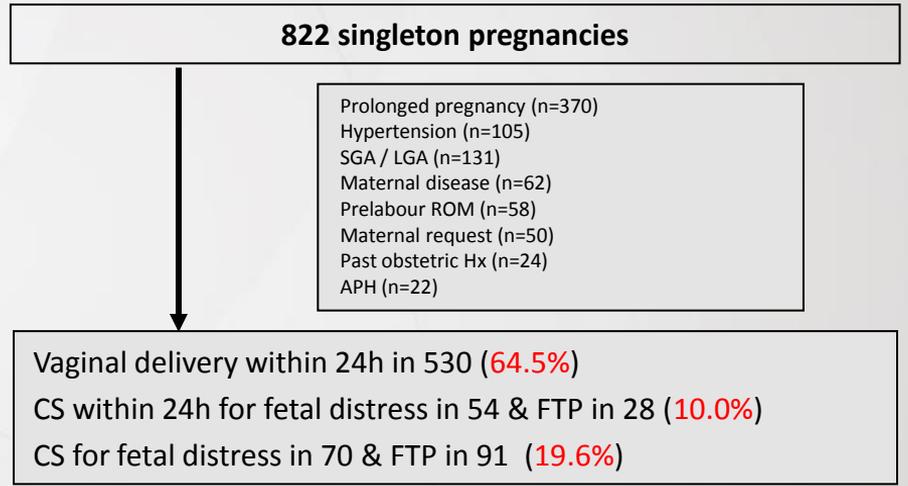


### Induction of labour at 35<sup>+0</sup> - 42<sup>+6</sup> wks

**Cervical length in mm**

Maternal factors:

- Parity
- Maternal age
- BMI
- Gestational age

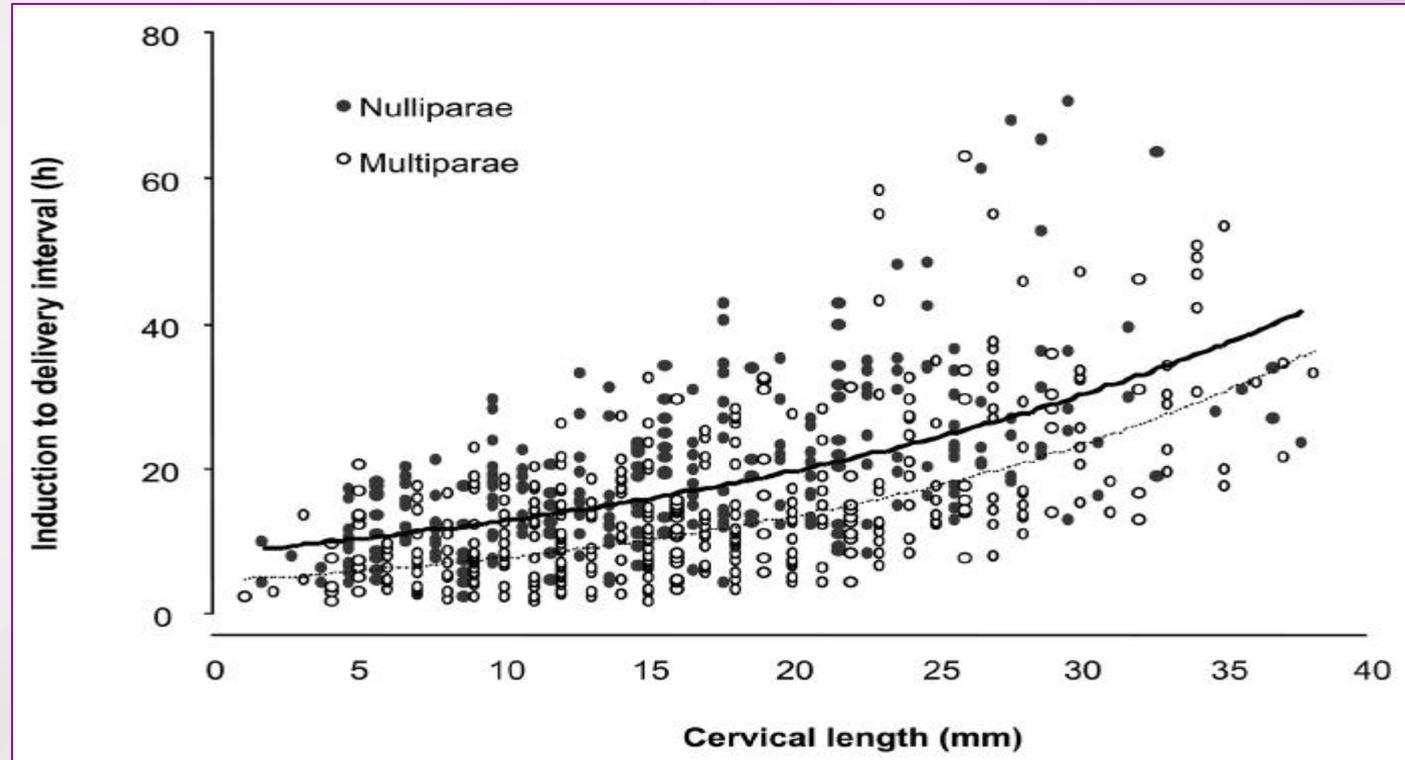


**Aims -** To examine the effect of gestational age, BMI, maternal age, pre-induction cervical length and parity on:

1. The induction-to-delivery interval
2. The likelihood of vaginal delivery within 24 hours
3. The risk for CS

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# Induction-to-delivery interval



# Pre-induction cervical length

## Prediction models

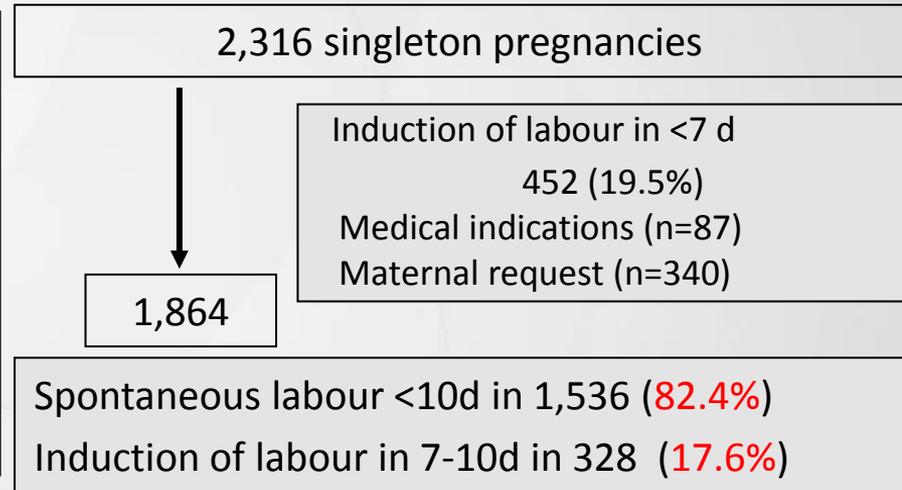


Outcome	Induction-to-delivery interval in 24h Hazard ratio (95% CI)	Vaginal delivery in 24h Odds ratio (95% CI)	Caesarean section for FTP Odds ratio (95% CI)
<b>Cervical length</b>	0.89 (0.88-0.90)	0.86 (0.84-0.88)	1.11 (1.07-1.14)
<b>Parity</b>			
Nullip	1.00	1.00	1.00
Multip	2.39 (1.98-2.88)	3.59 (2.47-5.22)	0.26 (0.15-0.43)
<b>GA</b>	1.13 (1.07-1.20)	1.19 (1.07-1.32)	0.83 (0.73-0.96)
<b>BMI</b>			
< 30			1.00
≥ 30			2.07 (1.27-3.37)
<b>Age</b>			1.05 (1.00-1.09)
<b>Birthweight</b>	0.995 (0.99-0.998)		



### Prolonged pregnancy clinic at 40<sup>+4</sup> - 41<sup>+6</sup> wks

Fetal presentation/lie  
Estimated fetal weight  
Amniotic fluid volume  
Umbilical artery Doppler  
Cervical length in mm



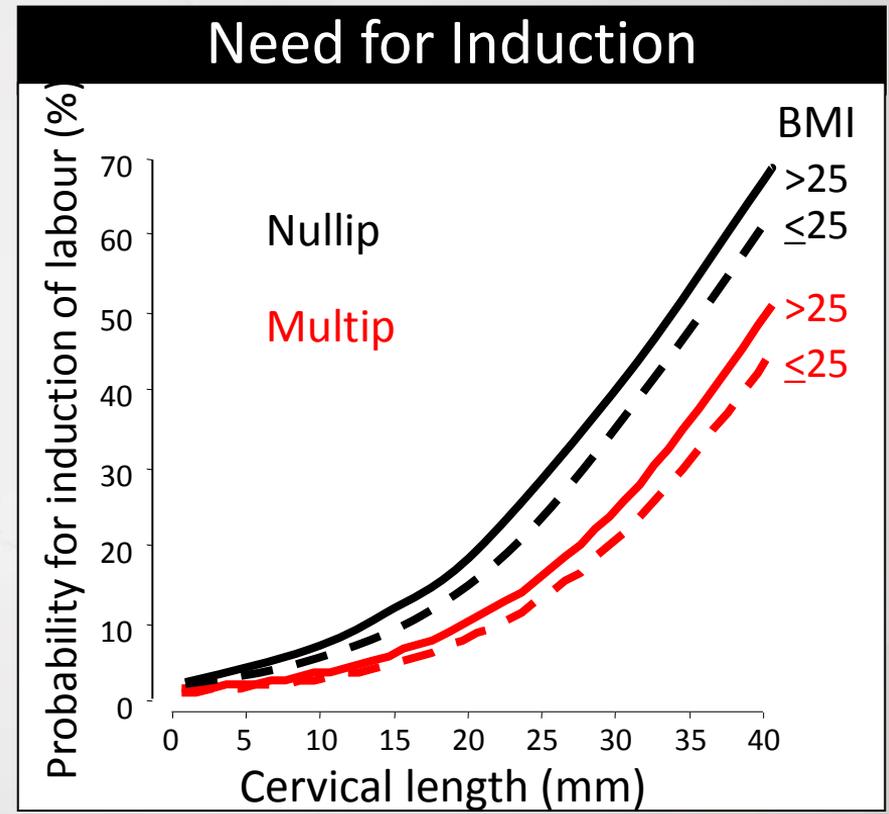
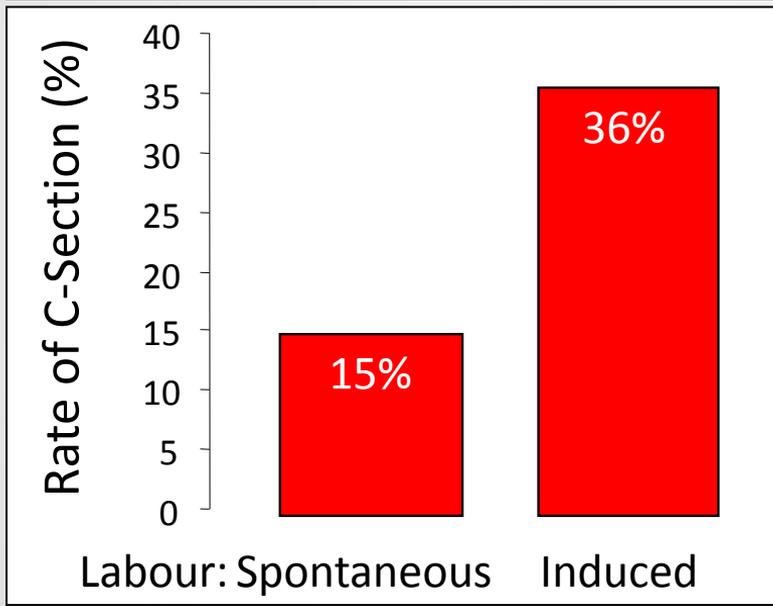
Aims - to predict the probability of :

1. Spontaneous onset of labour within subsequent 10 days
2. Vaginal delivery after spontaneous or induced labor

# Pre-induction cervical length

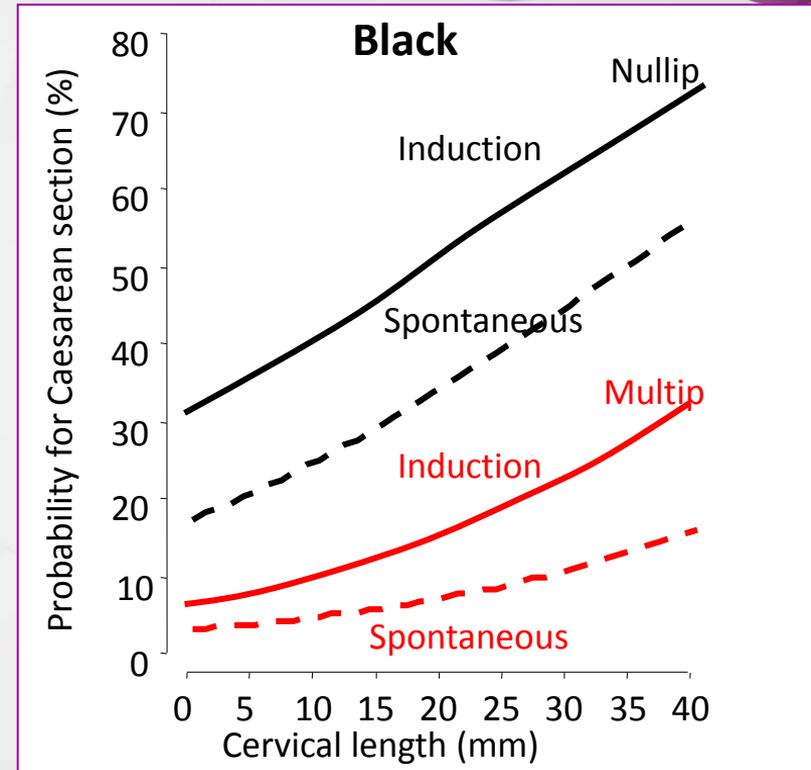
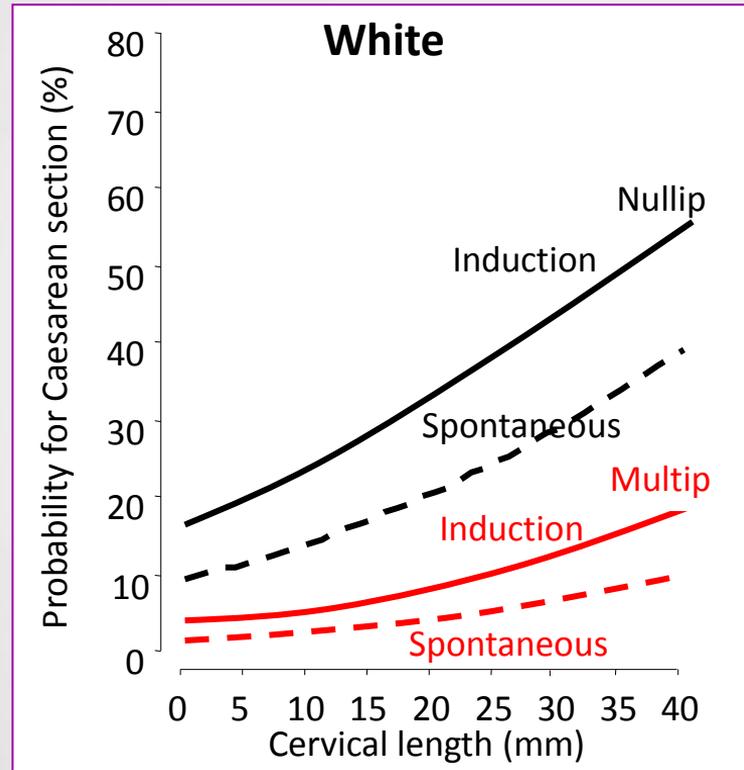
## Labour & delivery

Spontaneous labour <10d in **82.4%**  
Induction of labour in 7-10d in **17.6%**



# Pre-induction cervical length

## Prediction of CS





Spontaneous labour 80%

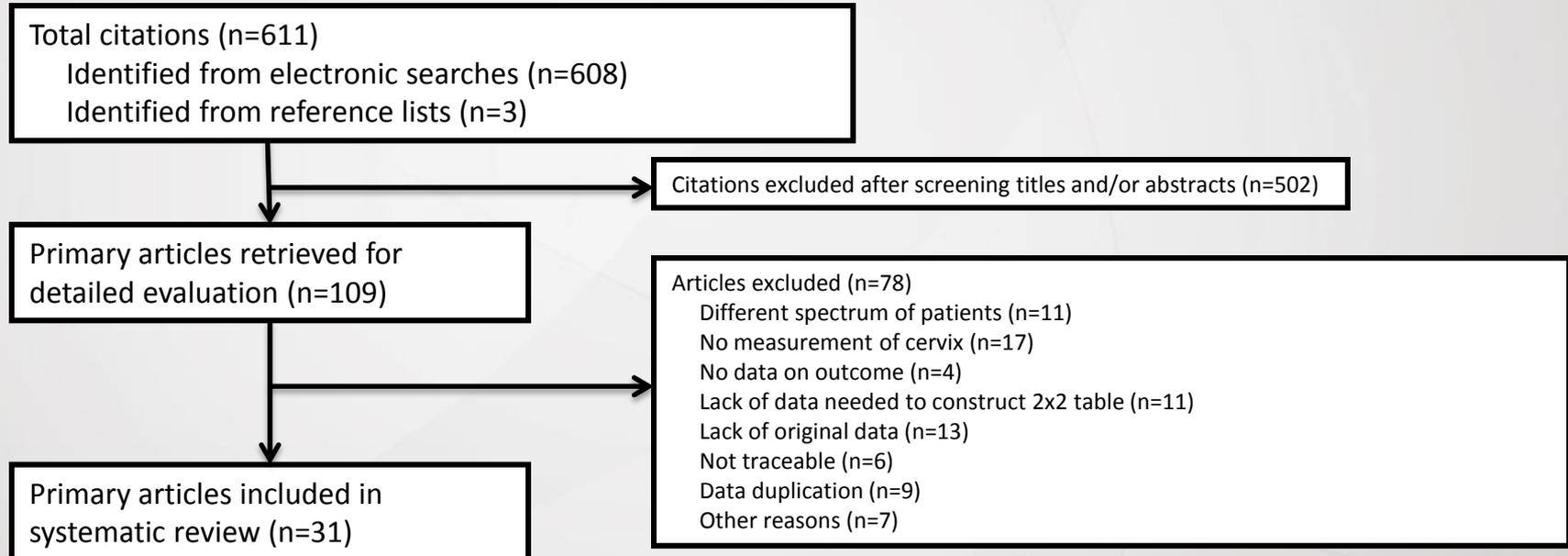
Short Cx, Multip, Thin

Caesarean section rate 20%

Long Cx, induced labour,  
Black, Nullip, Obese

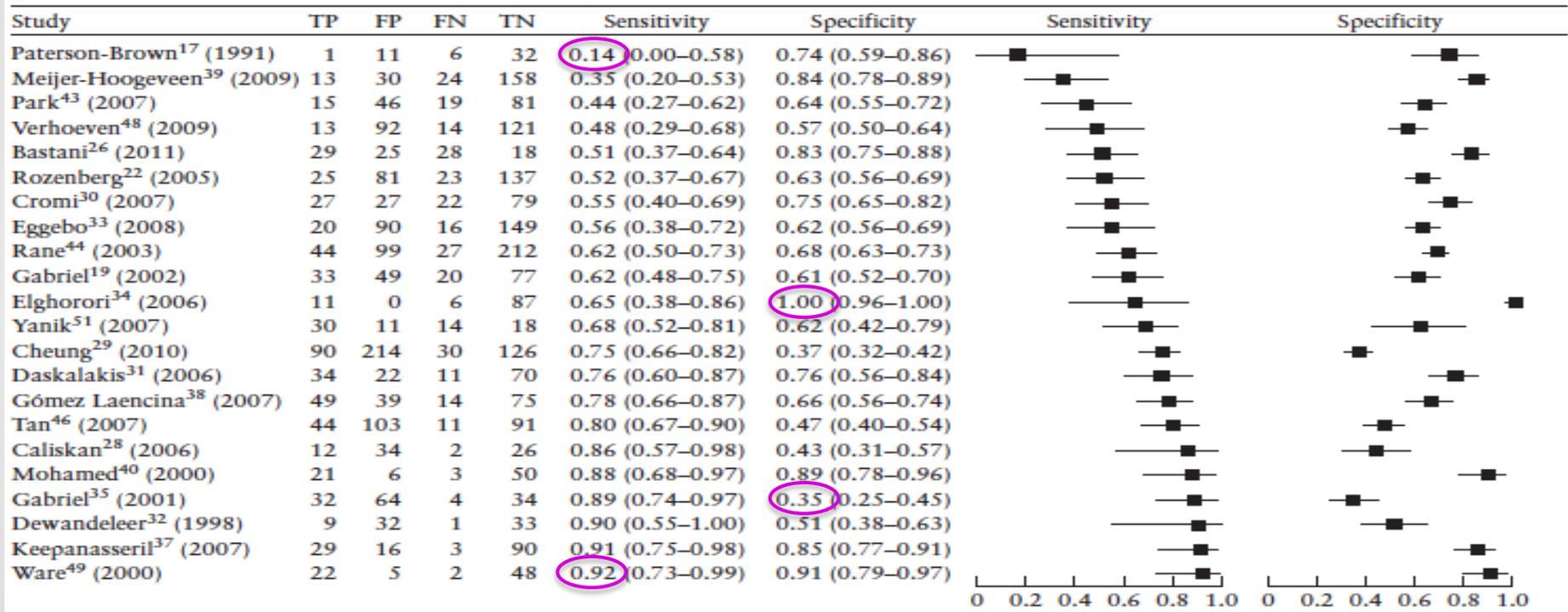


To perform a systematic review & meta-analysis to assess the predictive capacity of cervical length for the outcome of IOL



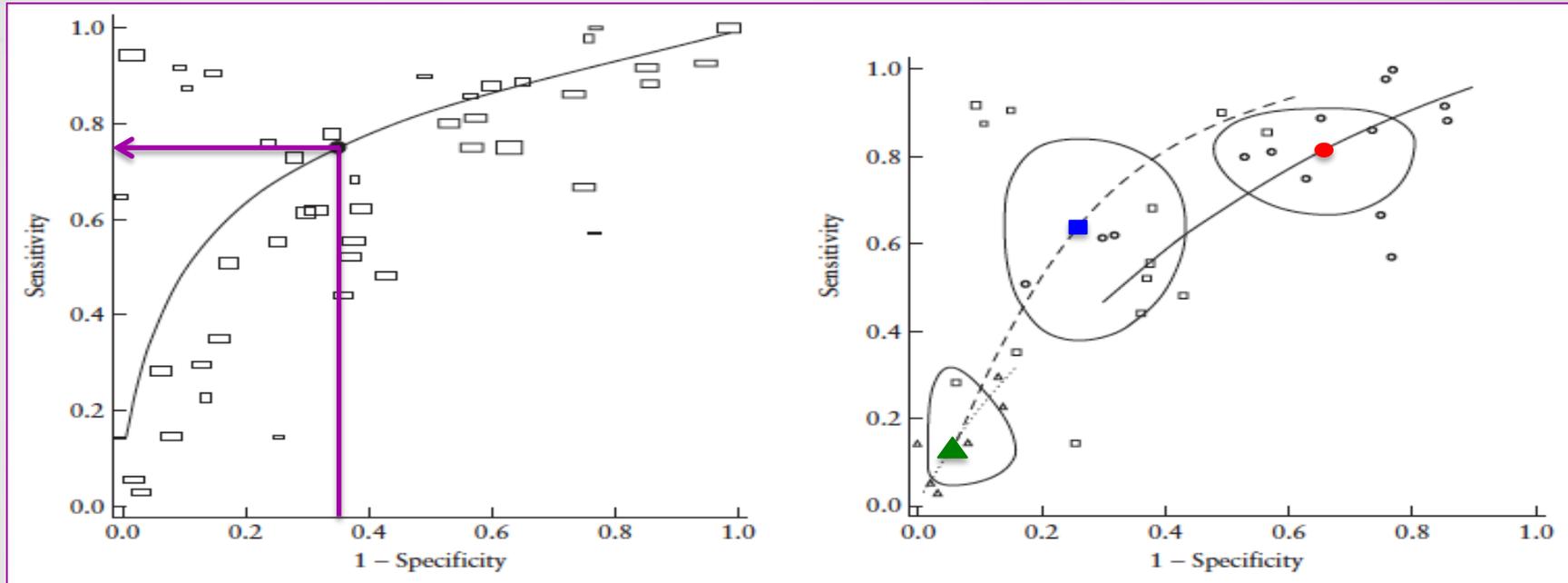
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## Prediction of CS



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## Prediction of CS



**Cx 20 mm: DR 82% FPR 66% LR+ 1.2 LR- 0.53**

**Cx 30 mm: DR 64% FPR 26% LR+ 2.5 LR- 0.49**

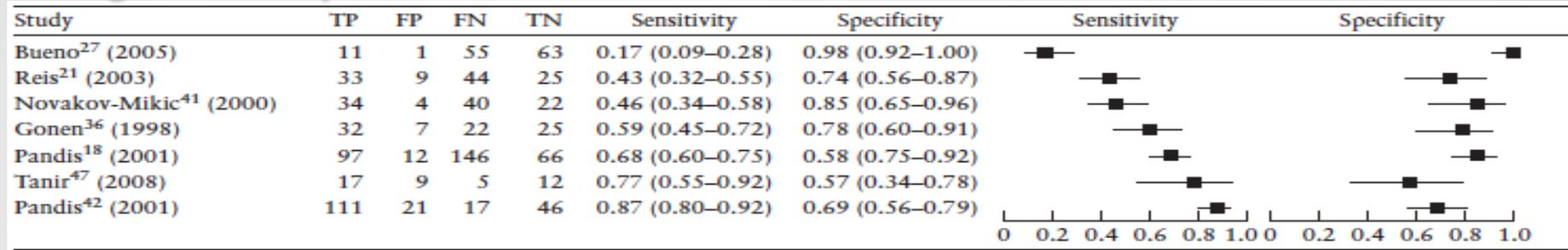
**Cx 40 mm: DR 13% FPR 5% LR+ 2.6 LR- 0.92**

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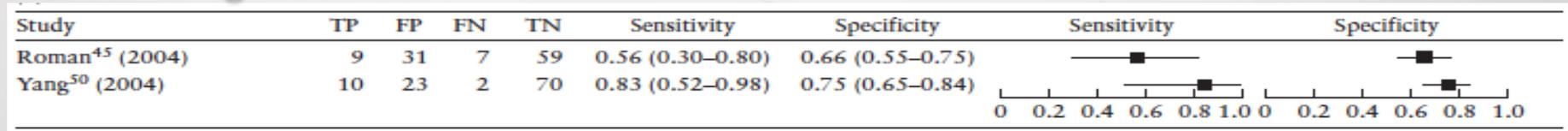
## Prediction of labour & delivery



### No vaginal delivery within 24h

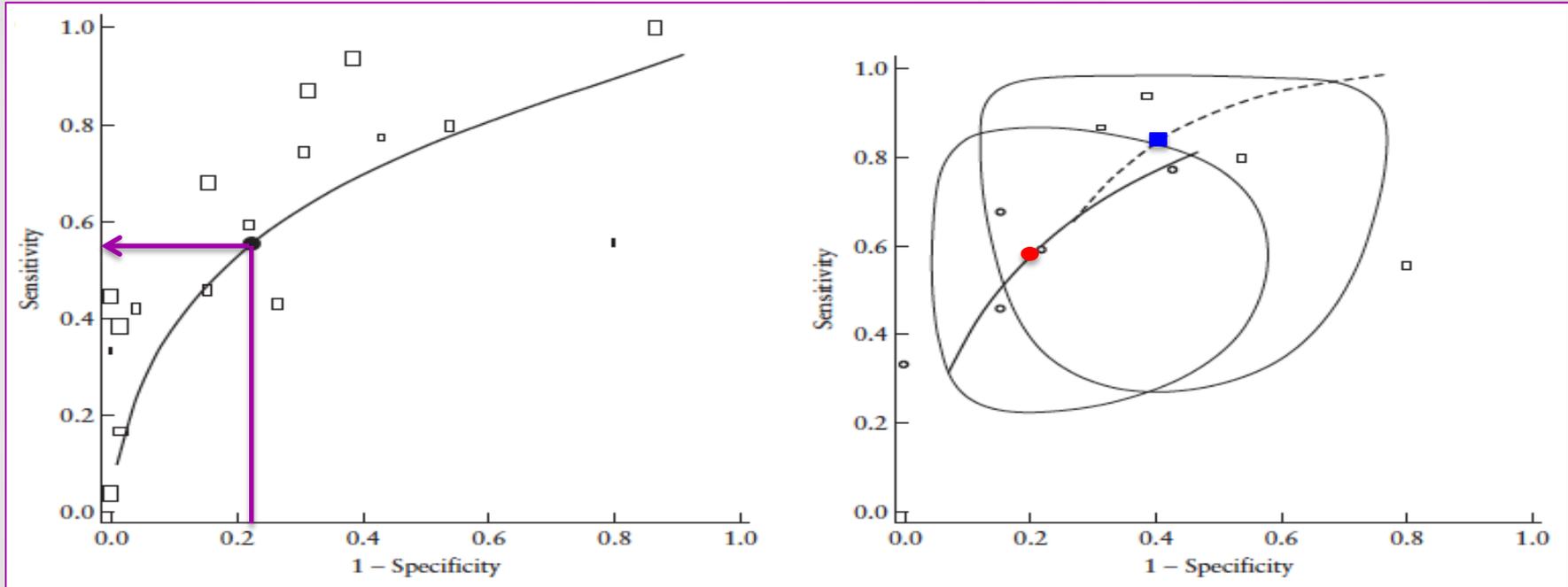


### Not achieving active labour



# Pre-induction cervical length

## Prediction of no vaginal delivery



**Cx 25 mm: DR 58% FPR 20% LR+ 2.9 LR- 0.53**

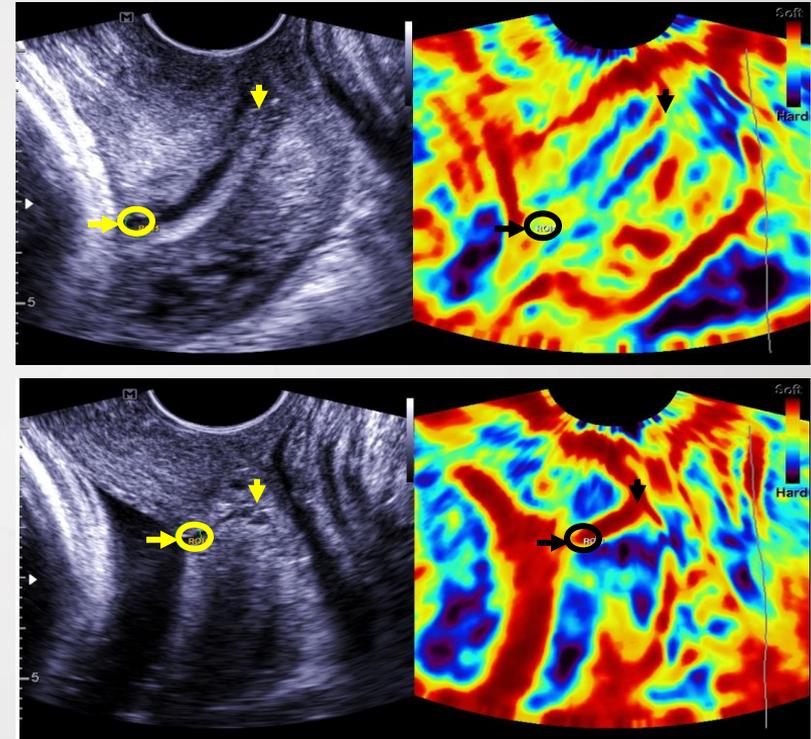
**Cx 32 mm: DR 84% FPR 40% LR+ 2.1 LR- 0.27**

# Pre-induction elastography

## Prediction of successful IOL



	Failed IOL	Successful IOL
<b>Swiatkowska-Freund 2011</b>		
	n=16	n=13
Elastography index		
Internal os	0.39	1.23 *
Cervical canal	1.17	1.13
External os	111	1.00
<b>Fruscalzo 2015</b>		
	n=4	n=73
Cervical tissue strain	0.6	0.8 *



# Pre-induction AOP

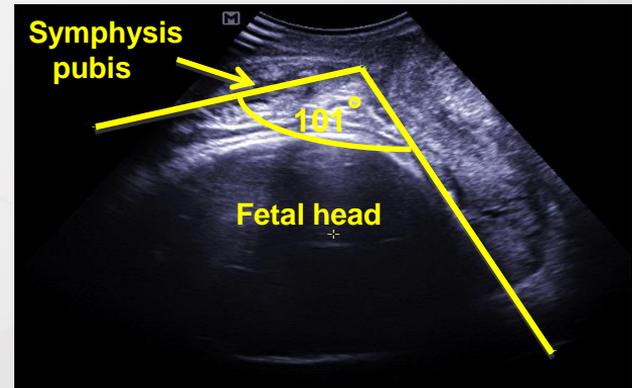
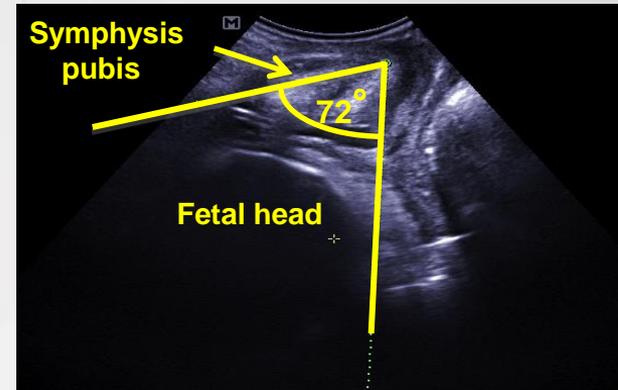
## Prediction of vaginal delivery

AOP provides a sonographic measure of head station

Several studies in labouring women reported a wide angle indicates a good chance of vaginal delivery

AOP measured in 100 nullip and 71 multip non-labouring women at 39-42 wks:

- In women who delivered vaginally (n=161), multip had a narrower AOP than nullip (98° vs 104°)
- In nullip, median AOP was narrower in those who went on to deliver by CS (90° vs 104°); an AOP  $\geq 95^\circ$  is associated with vaginal delivery in 99% and 89% of women who delivered by CS had an AOP  $< 95^\circ$





### Induction of labour at 35<sup>+0</sup> - 42<sup>+6</sup> wks

Cervical length in mm

Elastographic score

Angle of progression

Maternal factors

99 singleton pregnancies

Prolonged pregnancy (n=56)

Hypertension (n=17)

Diabetes (n=16)

Other (n=10)

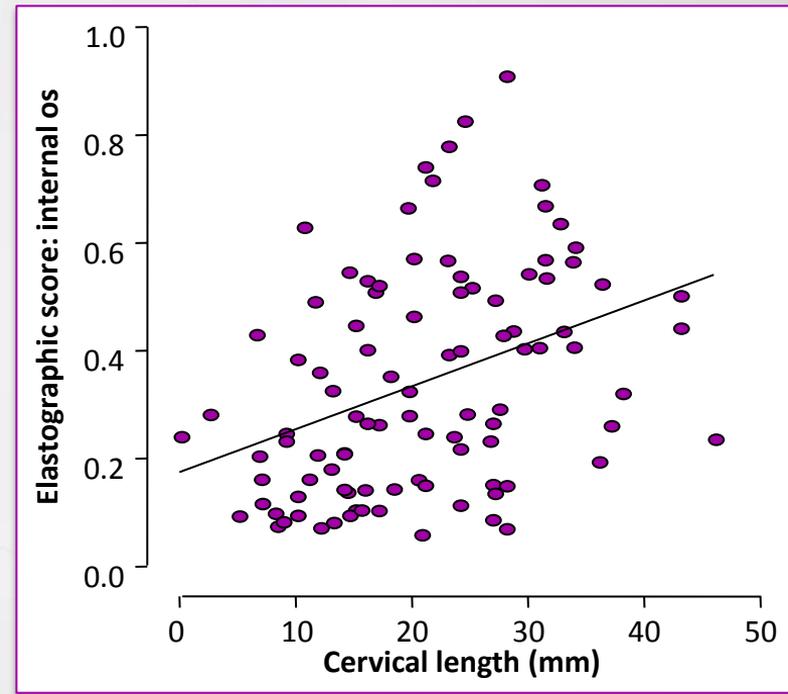
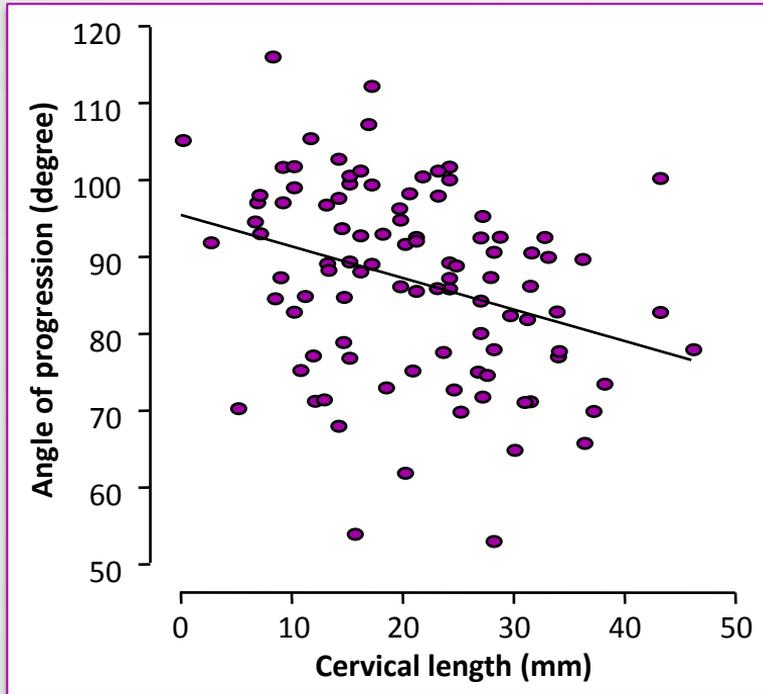
Vaginal delivery in 66 (66.7%)

CS in 33 (33.3%)

**Aim -** To examine the potential value of pre-induction cervical length, cervical elastography and angle of progression in prediction of successful vaginal delivery & induction-to-delivery interval

# Pre-induction AOP & elastography

## Relation with cervical length



- Significant correlation with cervical length
- AOP & elastography do not provide additional prediction for vaginal delivery



### Induction of labour at 37<sup>+0</sup> - 42<sup>+6</sup> wks

Bishop score  
Cervical score

131 singleton pregnancies

24 patients excluded for previous CS, APH and CPD etc

Active labour in 93 (86.9%)

- 86 had vaginal delivery
- 7 had CS (5 for FTP, 2 for fetal distress)

CS in 14 for failed IOL (13.1%)

Aims - To evaluate the role of pre-induction transvaginal sonographic cervical score in predicting labour outcome  
To compare its performance against Bishop score in women undergoing IOL

# Bishop score vs cervical score

## Prediction of IOL



### Modified Bishop score

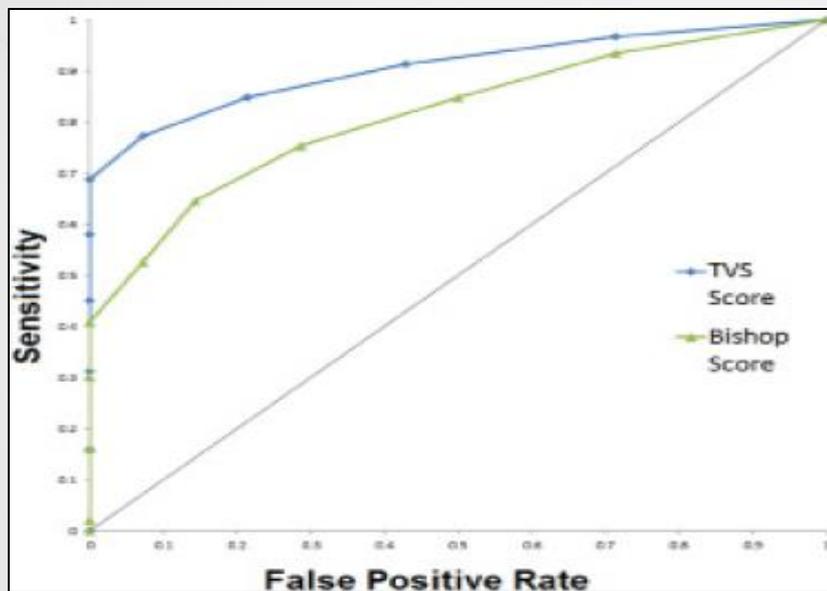
Score	0	1	2
Dilatation of cervix	< 1 cm	1- 2 cm	>1 cm
Cervical length	>2 cm	1- 2 cm	< 1 cm
Position of cervix	Posterior	Mid	Anterior
Consistency of cervix	Firm	Soft	Soft and stretchable
Station of Head	≥ -2	-1	≥0

### Cervical score

Score	0	1	2
Cervical length	>3 cm	2-3 cm	< 2 cm
Funnel length	Absent	≤ 0.5 cm	>0.5 cm
Funnel width	Absent	≤ 0.5 cm	>0.5 cm
Position of cervix	Curved	-	Straight
Distance of presenting part to external os	>3 cm	2-3 cm	< 2cm

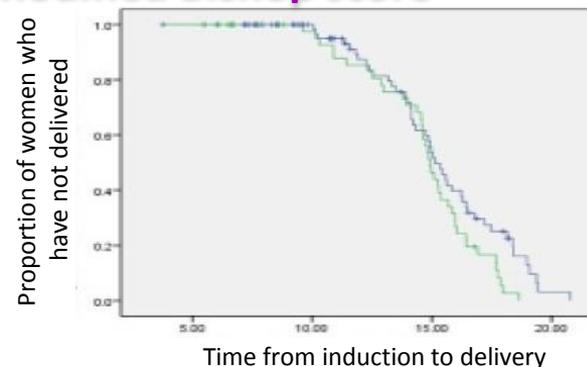
# Bishop score vs cervical score

## Prediction of active labour & vaginal delivery

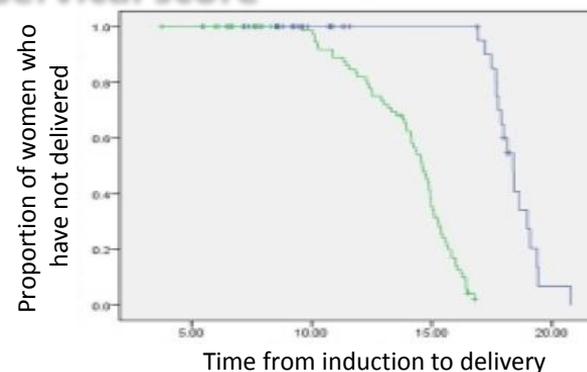


Scoring methods	DR (%)	FPR (%)	LR+	LR-	AUC
Bishop score >4	64.5	14.3	4.5	0.4	0.815
Cervical score >4	77.4	7.1	10.8	0.2	0.907

### Modified Bishop score



### Cervical score





## Conclusions

- Cervical length assessment has moderate capacity to predict outcome of delivery after IOL
- Cervical score assessment is superior to the Bishop score in predicting labour outcome
- Cervical elastography and AOP have limited clinical utility in predicting a successful IOL