



تازه های تیروئید و بارداری

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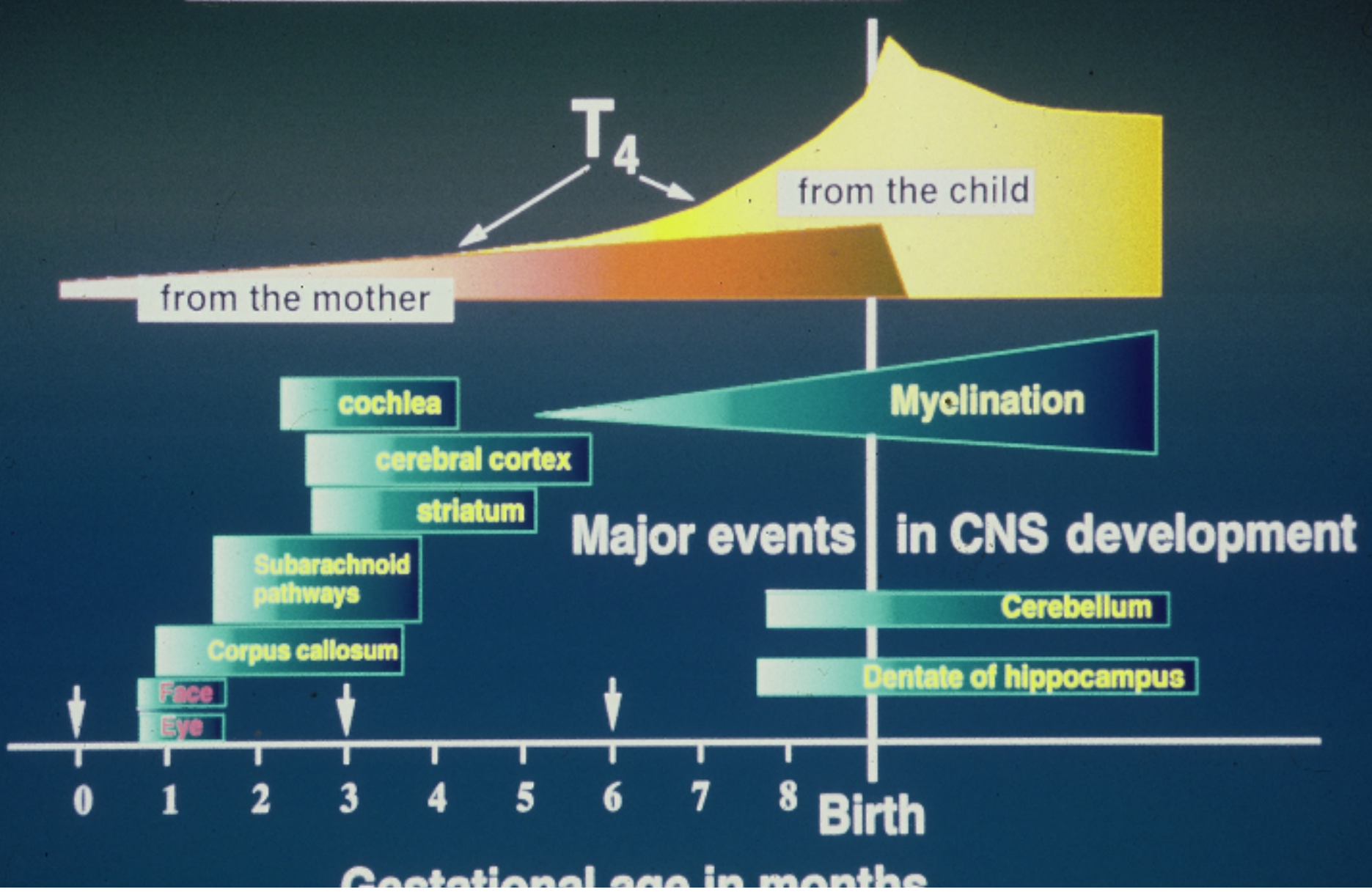
Important and/or Controversial Issues in Pregnancy:

- 1. The importance of iodine**
- 2. Thyroid function tests**
- 3. Screening for thyroid Dysfunction**
- 4. Management of hyperthyroidism**

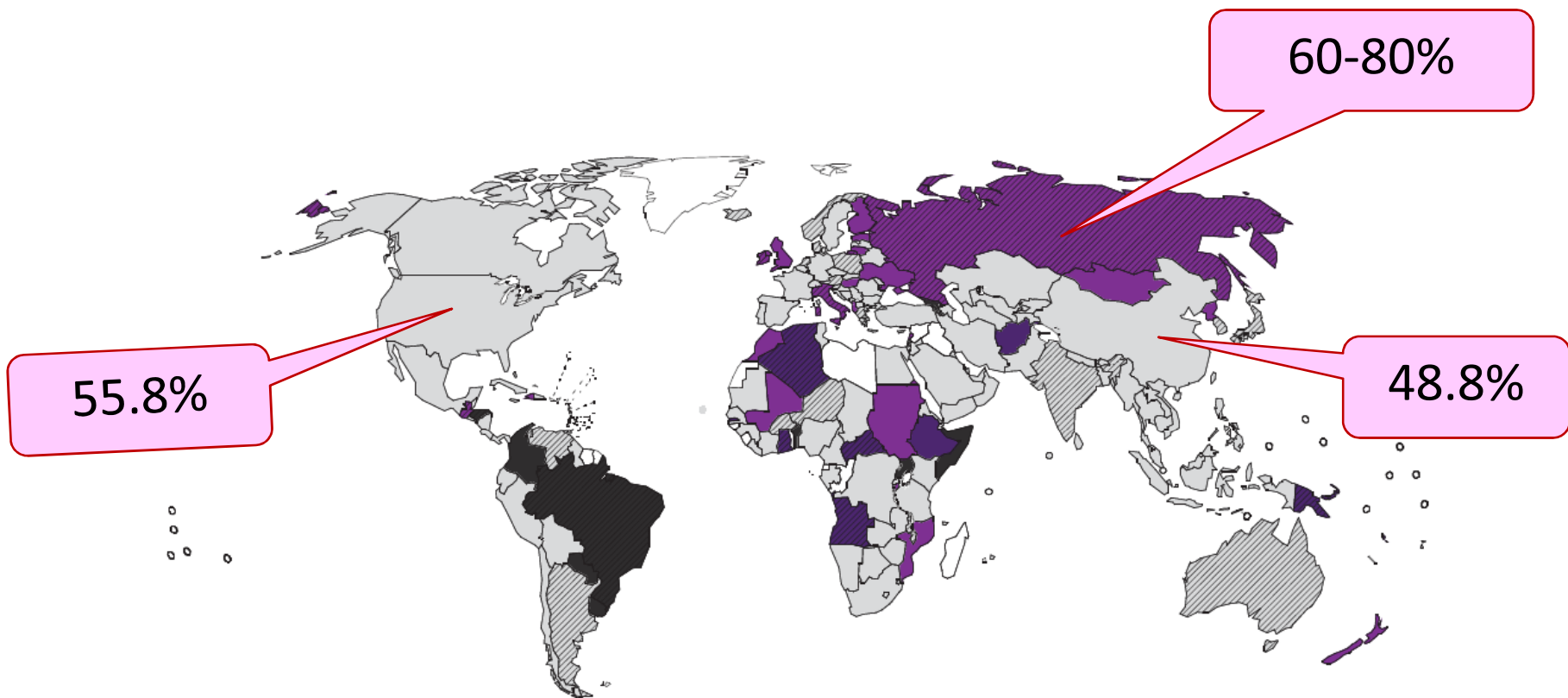
Likely insults to the CNS in:

congenital hypothyroidism

severe iodine deficiency



Prevalence of Iodine Deficiency in Pregnancy



- Moderate iodine deficiency (UIC 20-49 µg/L)
- Mild iodine deficiency (UIC 50-99 µg/L)
- Adequate iodine nutrition (UIC 100-299 µg/L)
- Excess iodine intake (UIC ≥ 300 µg/L)
- ▨ Subnational data^a
- No data

Iodine Status in the World in 2013

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Importance of iodine and thyroid hormones in brain development

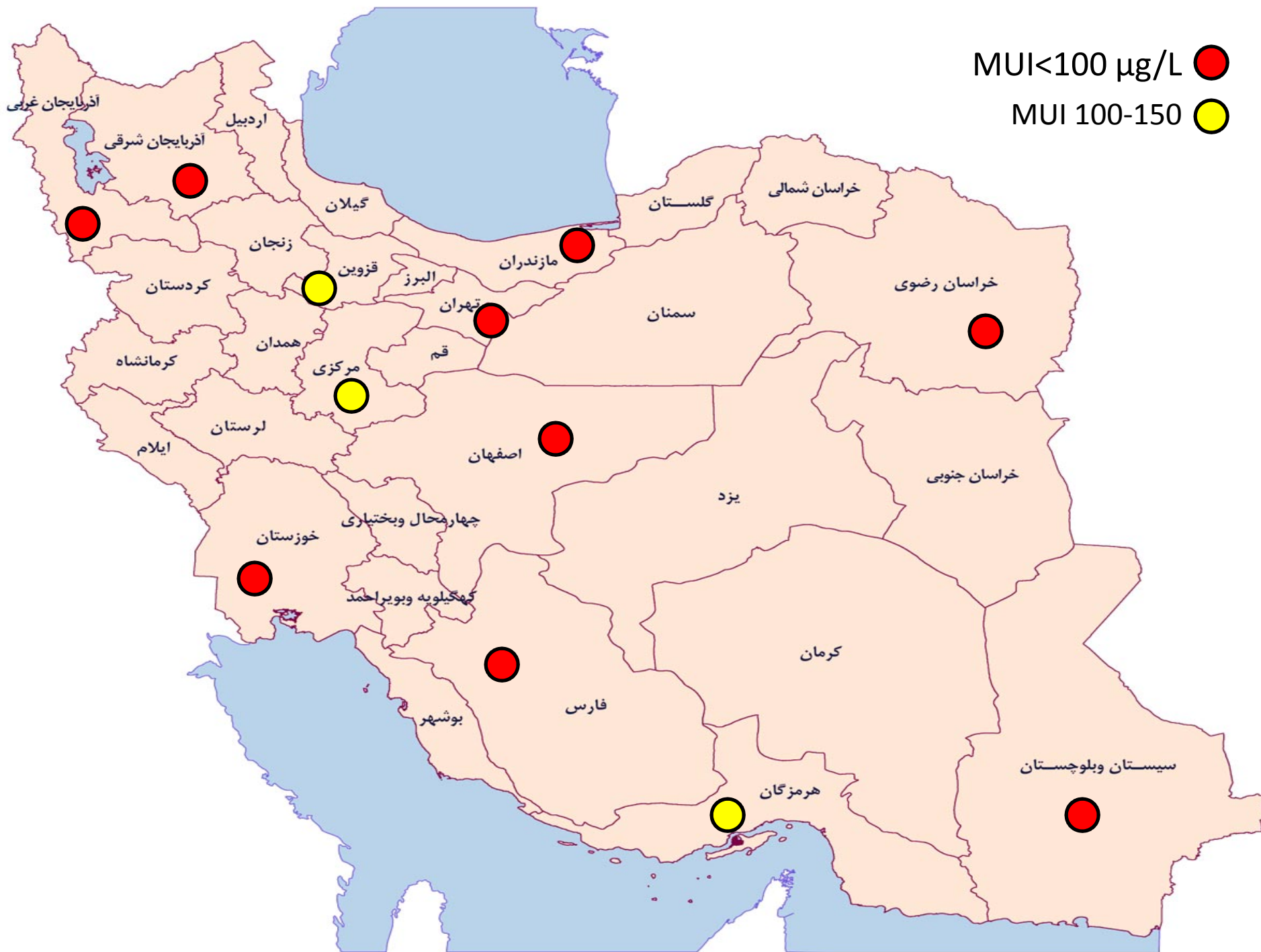
- **50,000 brain cells produced/second in developing fetal brain**
- **100 billion brain cells in adult**
- **One million billion connections between these brain cells:
Determine IQ**



Iodine Requirement in Pregnancy ($\mu\text{g}/\text{day}$)

During pregnancy

Basal	150
40-50 % increased T4 requirements	50-100
Transfer of T4 and I from mother to fetus	50
Increased renal clearance of I	50
Total requirement	250-300



How much iodine we get from iodized salt?

(numbers in red are daily iodine intake)*

Daily salt intake (gm)	Amount of iodine in table salt		
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* Daily requirement of pregnant women: 200-300 $\mu\text{g}/\text{day}$

Iodine Supplementation in Pregnancy

Before conception & First trimester:

Folic Acid + Iodine 150 µg

Second and third trimesters:

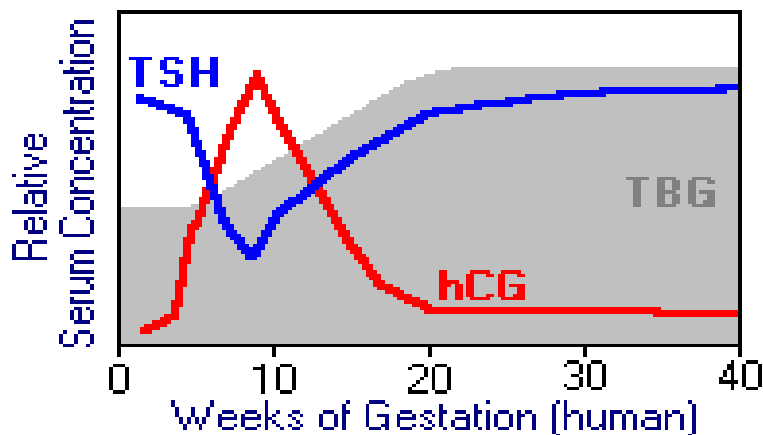
Multivitamins + Iodine 150 µg

or Folic Acid + Iodine 150 µg



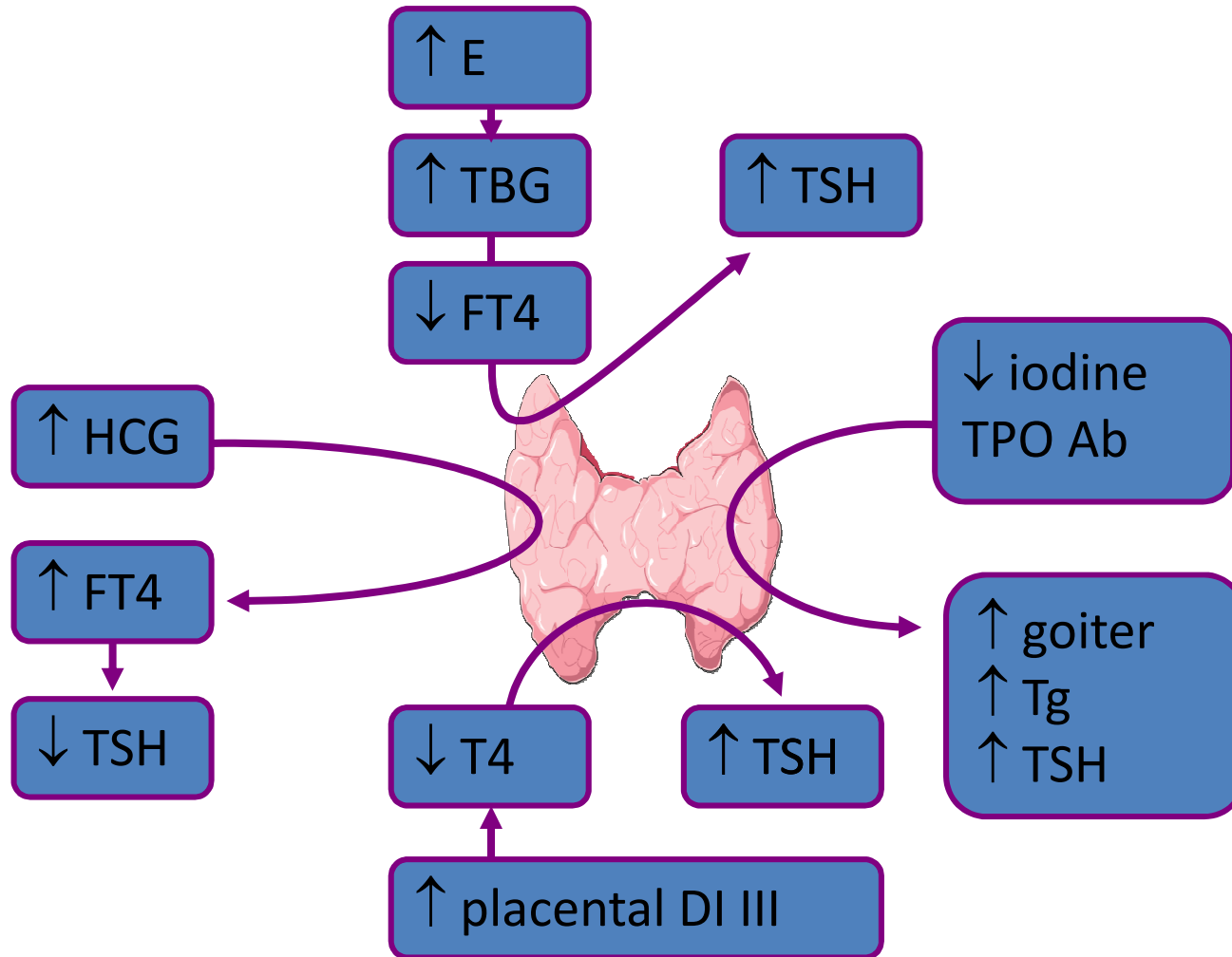
بیان مسئله

- بدنبال تغییرات فیزیولوژیک و هورمونی ناشی از بارداری و گنادوتروپین جفتی انسانی (HCG) تولید تیروکسین (T4) و تری یدوتریونین (T3) تا ۵۰ درصد افزایش یافته و منجر به افزایش ۵۰٪ در نیازهای روزانه ید در زن می گردد، در حالی که سطح تیروتروپین (TSH) به ویژه در سه ماهه اول کاهش می یابد، در سه ماهه دوم و سوم حاملگی با کاهش غلظت



hCG ، مقدار تیروکسین
محدوده طبیعی برمیگردند.

Factors for thyroid stimulation during pregnancy

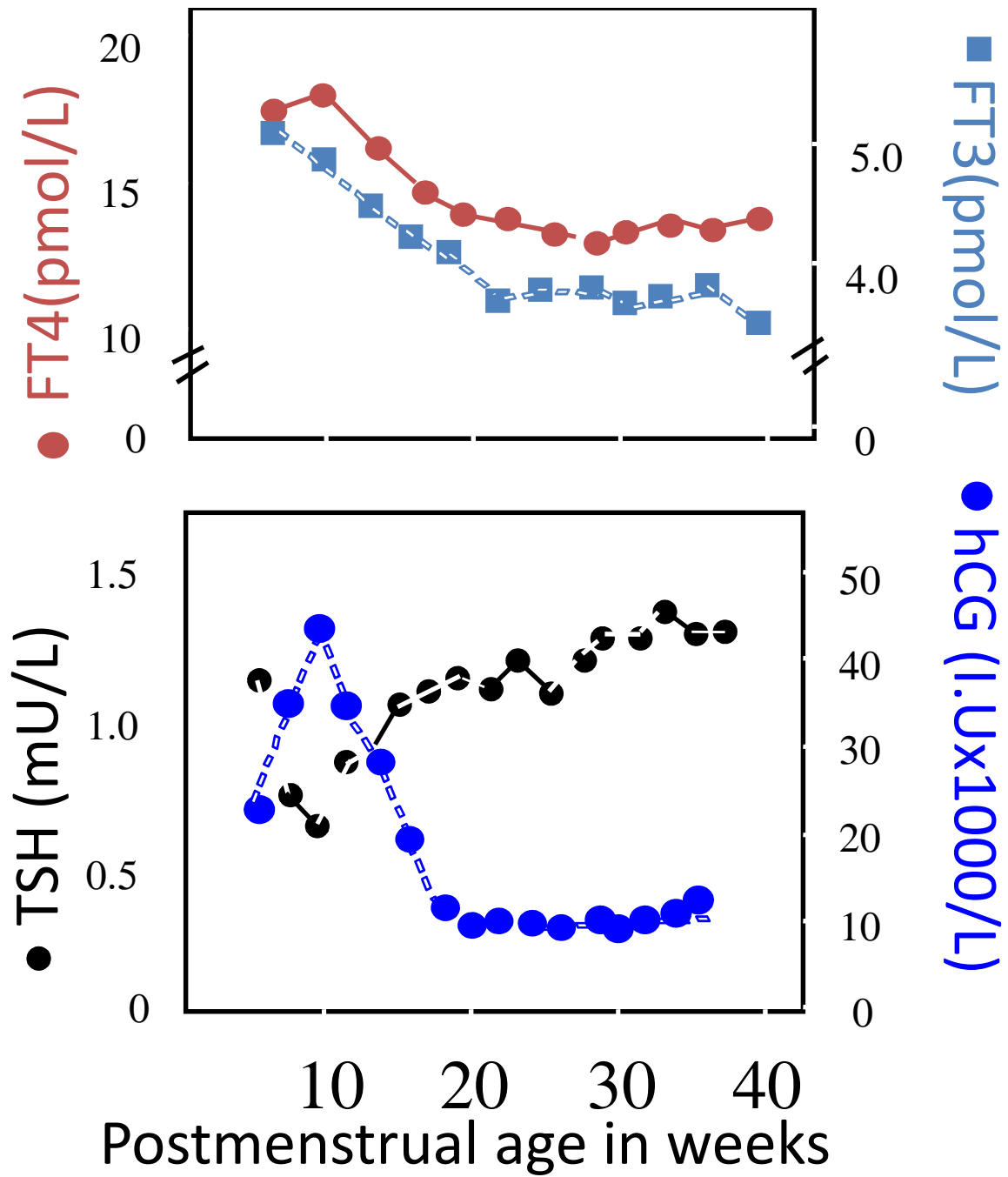


Thyroid

function tests

In pregnancy

A 25 year-old woman in the 8th week of pregnancy has serum TSH of 0.1 mU/L (normal 0.5-4.0) and serum free T4 of 2.5 and 1.4 ng/dl normal (0.8-1.9) by two different laboratories. Pulse rate is 90/min, thyroid is not enlarged and there are no physical findings for Graves' disease or hyperthyroidism.



Recommendation 26

Pregnancy-specific TSH reference range :

- ❖ When available, **population and trimester-specific reference ranges** for serum TSH during pregnancy
- ❖ If internal or transferable pregnancy-specific TSH reference ranges are not available, an upper reference limit of **~ 4.0 mU/l** may be used.

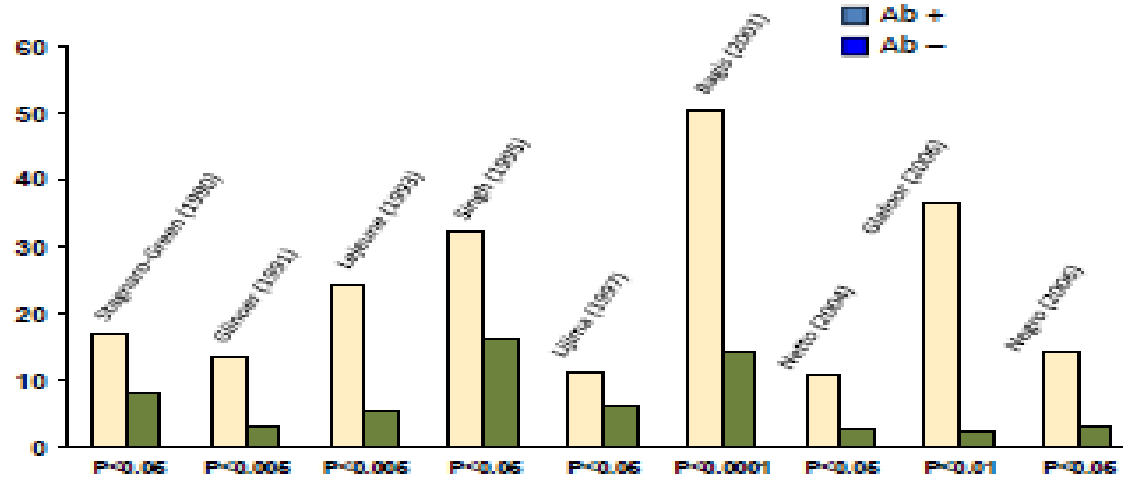
Screening for thyroid dysfunction in Pregnancy

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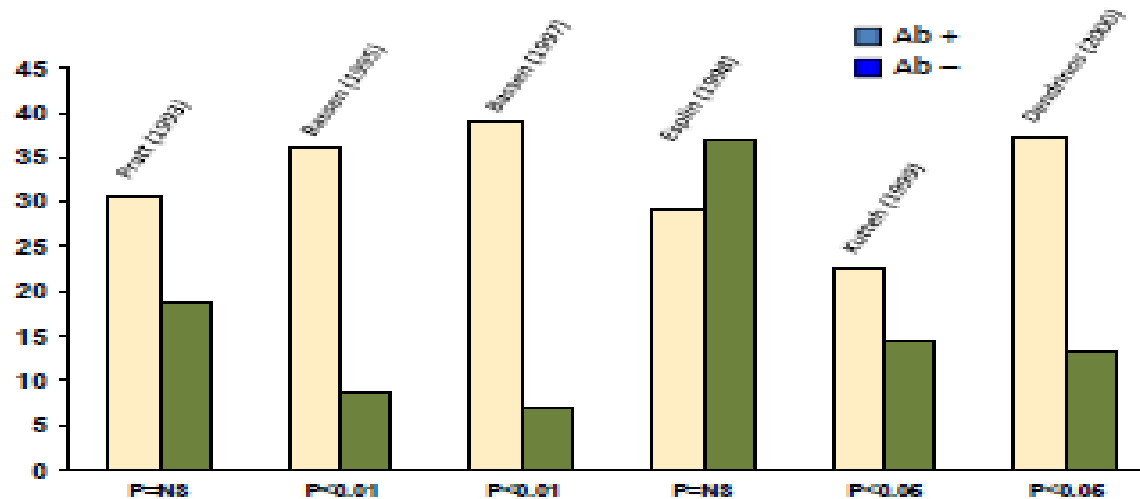
Issues of thyroid screening in pregnancy

- ❖ **Overt hypothyroidism: Rare, clinical evidences**
- ❖ **Clinical hyperthyroidism: Rare, clinical evidences**
- ❖ **Subclinical hyperthyroidism: Harmless**
- ❖ **Subclinical hypothyroidism:**
 - **Effect on fetus and offspring: none**
 - **Effect on pregnancy outcome: mostly in TPOAb+ woman**

Thyroid Antibodies and Spontaneous Miscarriage



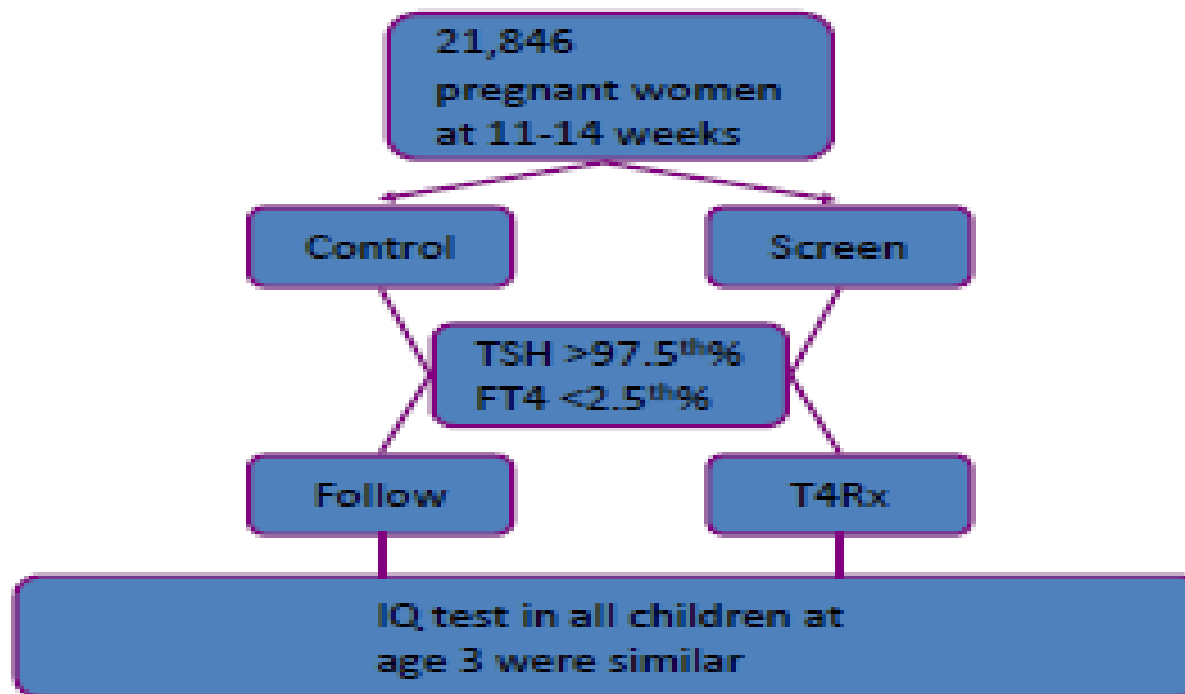
Recurrent Abortion and Thyroid Antibodies



Antenatal thyroid screening and childhood cognitive function

John H. Lazarus, M.D., Jonathan P. Bestwick, M.Sc., Sue Channon, D.Clin.Psych., Ruth Paradice, Ph.D., Aldo Maina, M.D., Rhian Rees, M.Sc., Elisabetta Chiusano, M.Psy., Rhys John, Ph.D., Varvara Guaraldo, M.S.Chem., Lynne M. George, H.N.C., Marco Perona, M.S.Chem., Daniela Dall'Amico, M.D., Arthur B. Parkes, Ph.D., Mohammed Joomun, M.Sc., and Nicholas J. Wald, F.R.S.

N Engl J Med 2012; 366:493-501



**Standardized Full-Scale Child IQ and Scores on the Child Behavior Checklist (CBCL)
and the Behavior Rating
Inventory of Executive Function, Preschool Version (Brief-P), According to Study
Group***

Test	Screening Group (N = 390)	Control Group (N = 404)	Difference (95% CI) (Control Group – Screening Group)†	P Value
IQ				
Mean	99.2±13.3	100.0±13.3	0.8 (–1.1 to 2.6)	0.40
<85 (% of children)	12.1	14.1	2.1 (–2.6 to 6.7)	0.39
CBCL T score‡				
Mean	44.4±12.4	45.1±13.6	0.7 (–1.2 to 2.5)	0.49
Brief-P T score§				
Median	40	40	0	0.59
Interquartile range	47–55	47-55		

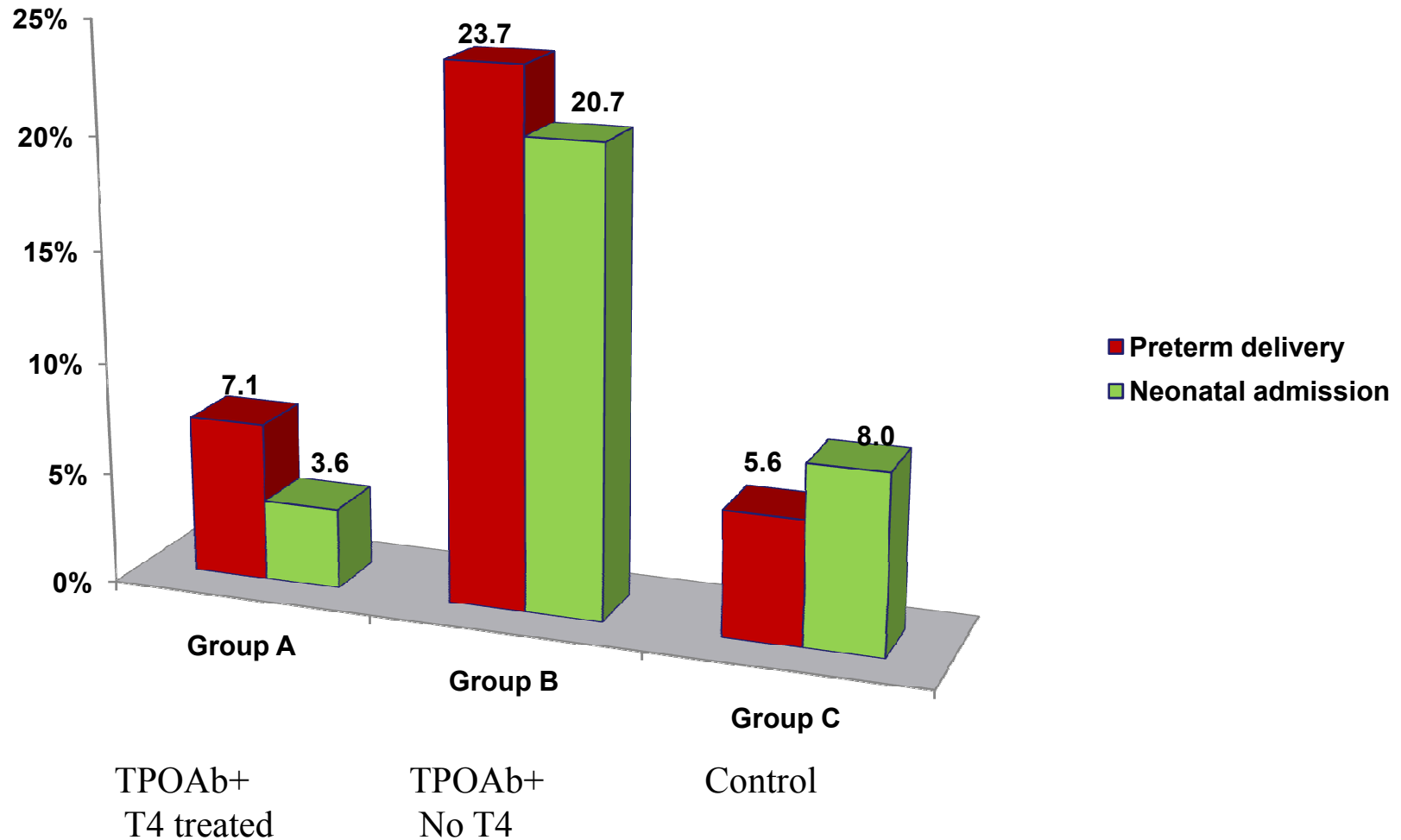
* Plus–minus values are means ±SD. The full-scale child IQ test was standardized so that for each psychologist, the mean score among the children in the control group whom they tested was 100. In the screening group, the women were assigned to treatment with levothyroxine.

† For percentages of children with an IQ below 85, the absolute (percentage-point) differences are shown.

‡ For the CBCL, a T score above the 98th percentile is indicative of a clinically significant problem.

§ For the Brief-P, a T score above 65 is indicative of a clinically significant problem.

Preterm delivery and neonatal admission among study groups



Indications for treatment with levothyroxine during pregnancy

TPOAb	Serum TSH mU/L	LT4 therapy
Positive	>10	Strongly recommended
	4-10	Recommended
	2.5-4	May be considered
	<2.5	Not recommended
Negative	>10	Strongly recommended
	4-10	Recommended
	2.5-4	Should not be used
	<2.5	Not recommended

Recommendation 96 & 97

All pregnant women should be verbally screened at the initial prenatal visit for any history of thyroid dysfunction, and prior or current use of either thyroid hormone (LT4) or anti-thyroid medications (MMI, carbimazole, or PTU).

All patients seeking pregnancy, or newly pregnant, should undergo **clinical evaluation. If any of the following risk factors are identified, testing for serum TSH is recommended.**

- 1. A **history** of hypothyroidism/hyperthyroidism or current symptoms/signs of thyroid dysfunction**
- 2. Known thyroid **antibody positivity** or presence of a **goiter****
- 3. History of head or neck **radiation** or prior thyroid **surgery****
- 4. **Age** >30 years**
- 5. **Type 1 diabetes** or other autoimmune disorders**
- 6. **History of pregnancy loss, preterm delivery, or infertility****
- 7. Multiple prior pregnancies (≥ 2)**
- 8. Family history of autoimmune thyroid disease or thyroid dysfunction**
- 9. Morbid obesity (BMI ≥ 40 kg/m²)**
- 10. Use of amiodarone or lithium, or recent administration of iodinated radiologic contrast**
- 11. Residing in an area of known moderate to severe iodine insufficiency**

The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists

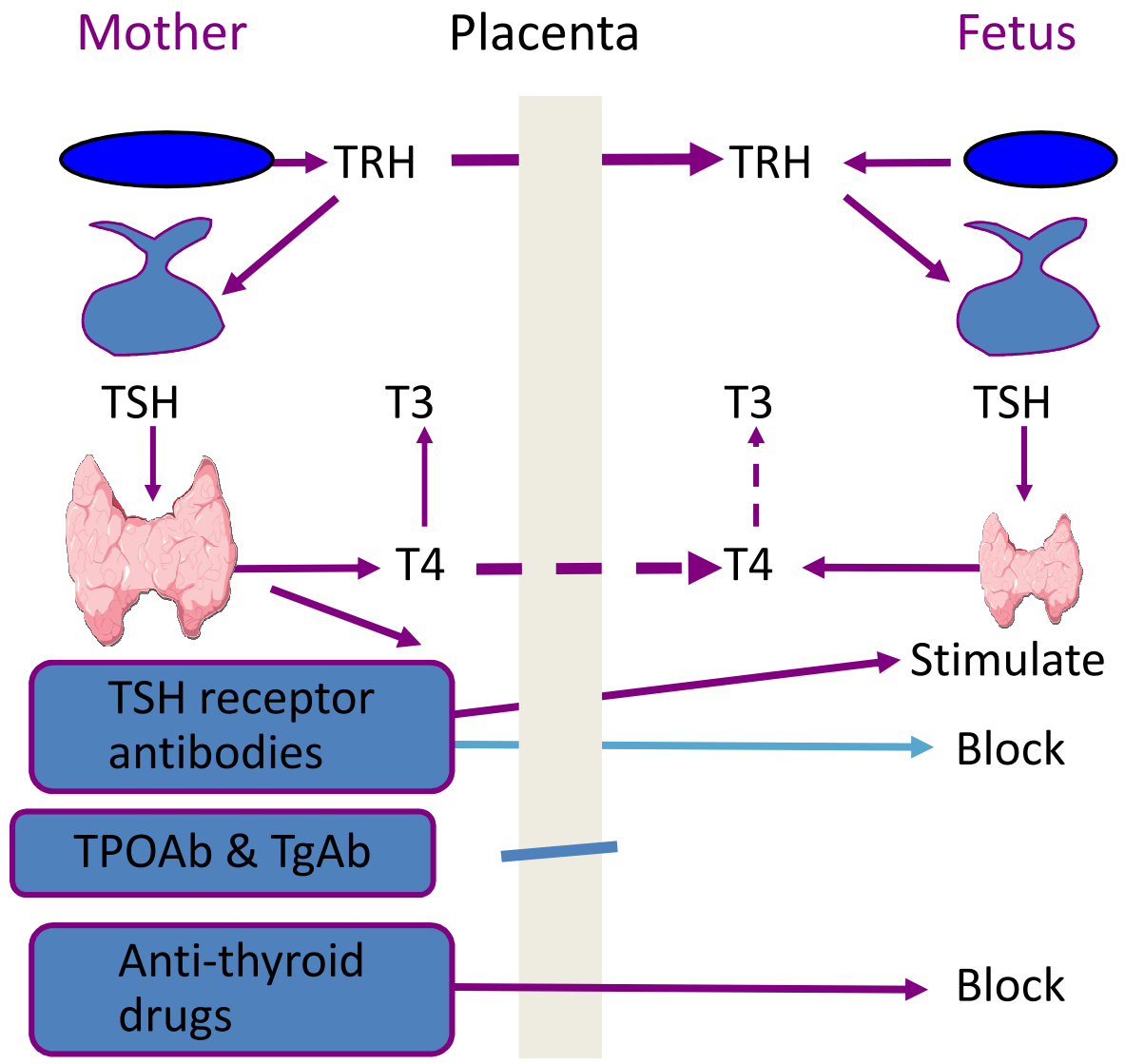
- **Universal screening for thyroid disease in pregnancy is not recommended because identification and treatment of maternal subclinical hypothyroidism has not been shown to result in improved neurocognitive function in offspring.**
- **The first-line screening test used to assess thyroid status in patients is measurement of the TSH level.**

**Management of
hyperthyroidism in
pregnancy**

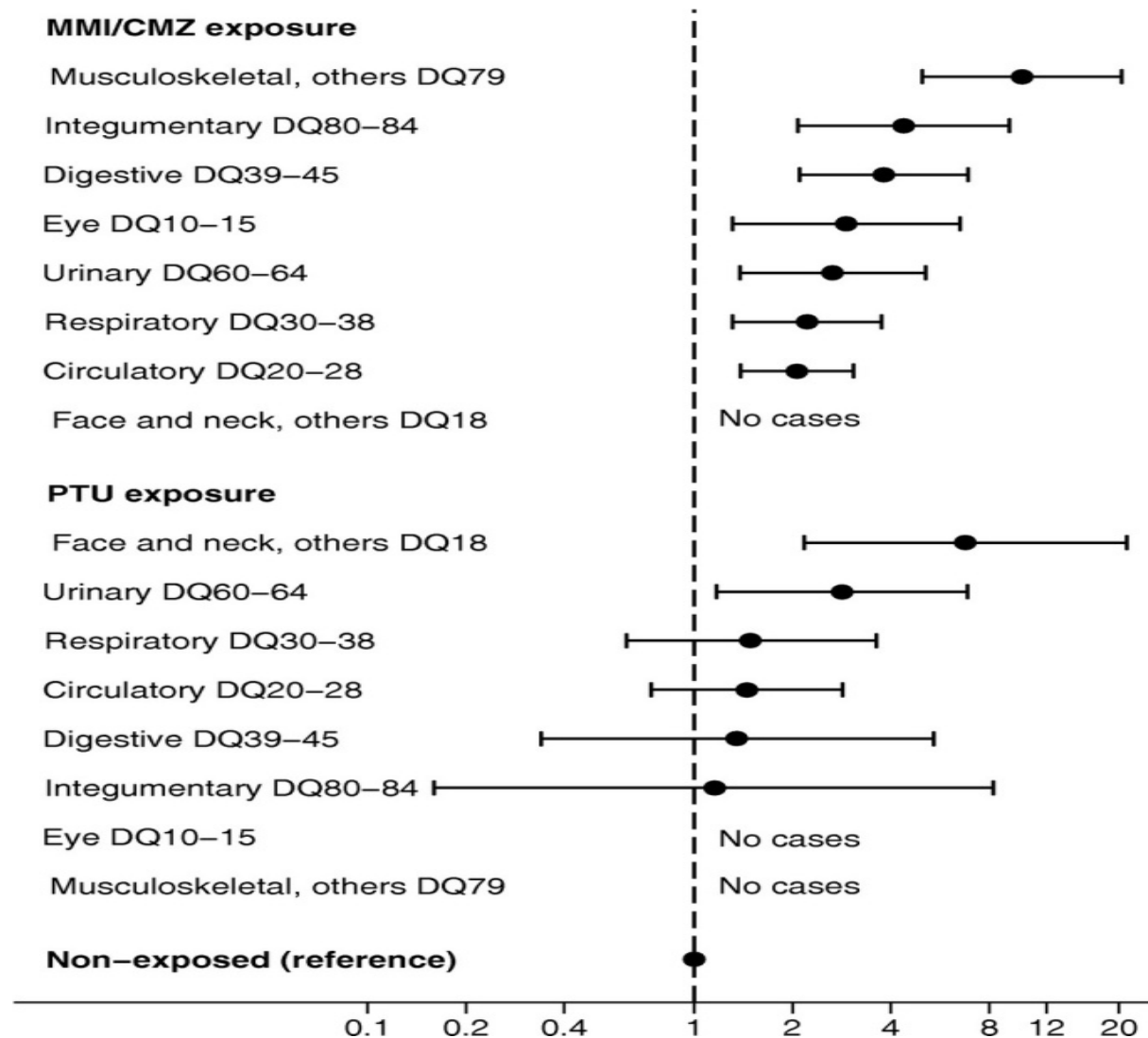
Thyrotoxicosis in pregnancy

- Occurs in 0.2-0.4% of women
- Mostly caused by Graves' disease

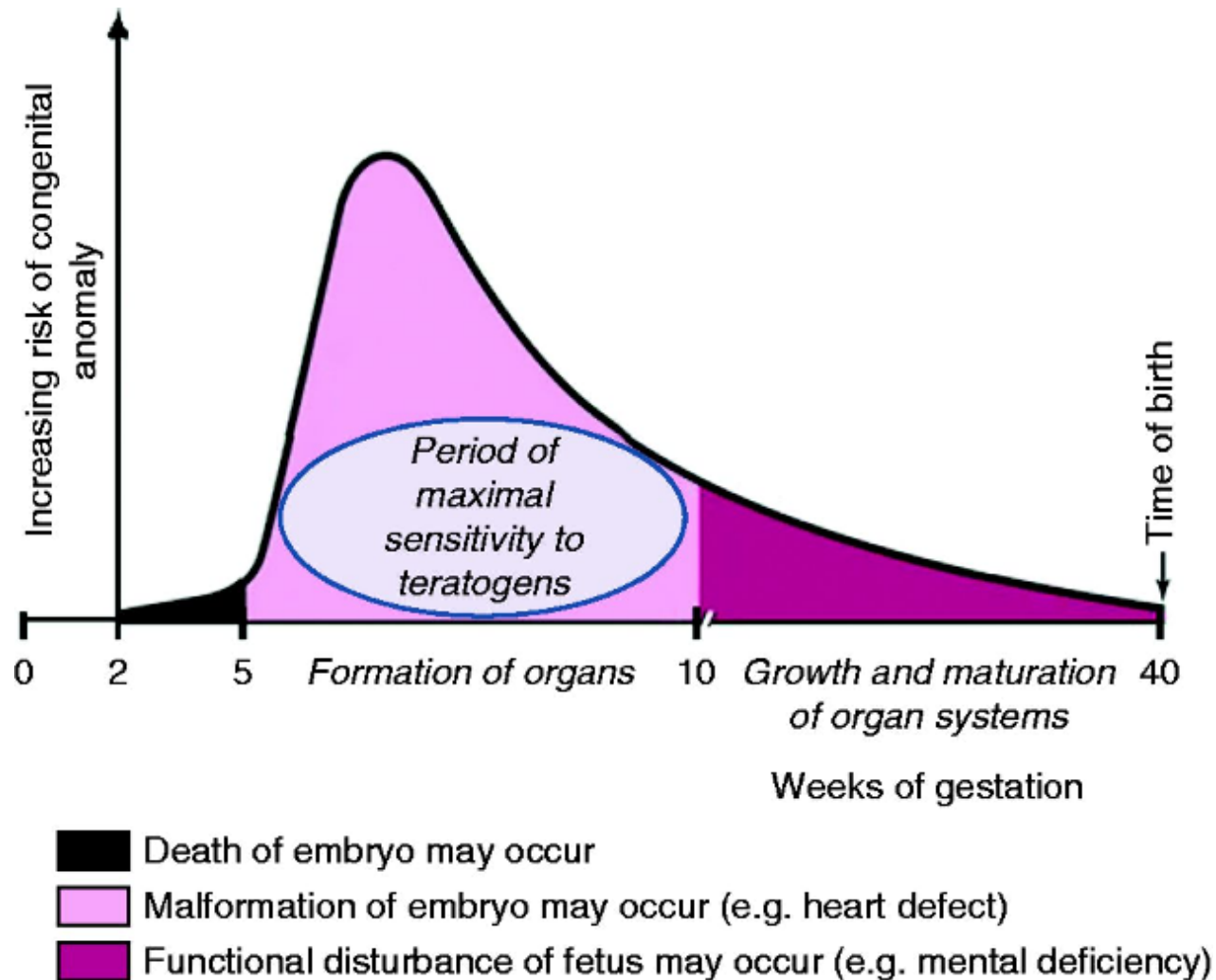




Subgroups of birth defects with significant association to antithyroid drug (ATD)



Schematic illustration showing the time period in gestational weeks of maximal sensitivity to abnormal development in humans



Ways to restrict the teratogenic effect of ATD in early pregnancy

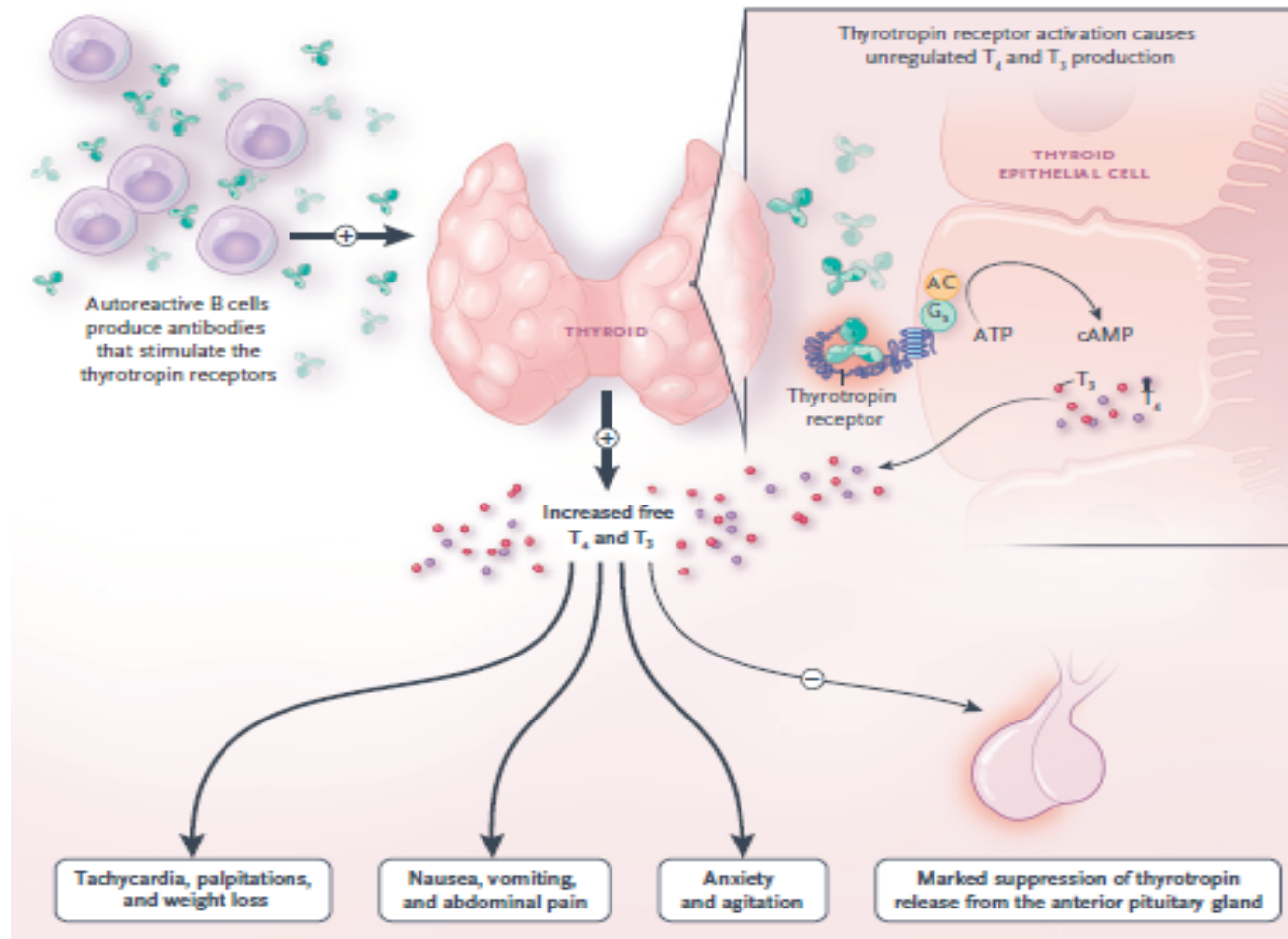
- 1. To advocate **ablative therapy before** attempting conception**
- 2. Change **MMI to PTU before** planning for pregnancy**
- 3. **Early detection of pregnancy (<5 wk)** and change to PTU**
- 4. Early detection of pregnancy, **withdraw ATD** and weekly**

TFT's

Recommendation 46

The **decision** to stop medication should take into account the disease **history, goiter size, duration of therapy,** results of recent **thyroid function tests, TRAb** measurement, and other clinical factors.

Production of Thyroid-Stimulating Immunoglobulin and Clinical Manifestations of Graves' Disease

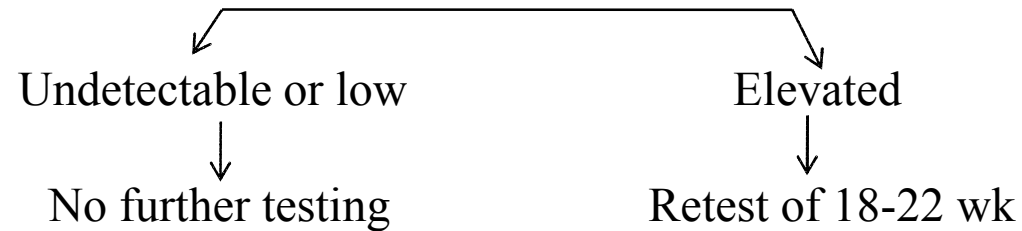


[Chiappa V, et al. N Engl J Med. 2019 Aug 8;381\(6\):581-582.](#)

TSAbs, like TSH, bind primarily to the large amino terminal ectodomain of the TSH-R and activate the cAMP signal transduction pathway leading to stimulation of thyroid hormone production and proliferation of thyrocytes.

TSH receptor antibody (TRAb) testing in hyperthyroidism

Early pregnancy: 1) Past history of GD treated with radioiodine or surgery



2) GD patients on ATD treatment

*Midpregnancy: Continuous ATD therapy:
TRAb at 18-22 WK*

*Third trimester: Elevated TRAb at 18-22 wk
and GD patients on ATD:
TRAb at 30-34 wk*

Conclusion

- **Thyroid dysfunction is rather common during pregnancy and postpartum and influence the health of mother, fetus and infant.**
- **Effective evidence based strategies for both detection and management should be developed for the benefit of both mother and child.**
- **Prompt and appropriate treatment of thyroid disease could dramatically improve the pregnancy outcome and ensure health promotion for mother and infant.**



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Recommendation 6 & 8

Women who are planning pregnancy or currently pregnant, should supplement their diet with a daily oral supplement that contains 150 μg of iodine in the form of potassium iodide. This is optimally started 3 months in advance of planned pregnancy.

There is no need to initiate iodine supplementation in pregnant women who are being treated for hyperthyroidism or who are taking LT4.

Iodine Supplementation in Pregnancy

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Folic Acid + Iodine 150 µg

Second and third trimesters:

Multivitamins + Iodine 150 µg

or Folic Acid + Iodine 150 µg