



Thrombelastometrie during IVIG for the prevention of recurrent Pre-eclampsia/HELLP- Syndrome

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Pregnancy and Hemostasis

■ Hypercoagulability:

- increased Coag Fact.:	II und V	+/-	
	Fibrinogen (I)	++	(100%)
	VII	++++	(1.000 %)
	VIII, X, XII, vWF	++	(100 %)
- increased Thrombin turn-over :	TAT	++	(100 %)
- increased Fibrinogen turn-over :	D-Dimer , FPA	+++	(400 %)

■ Reduced Coagulation Inhibition:

- reduced Inhibitors:	freies Protein S	--	(-50 %)
	acquired APC Resistance		40 %

■ Hypofibrinolysis (Coagulation Dissolution):

- increased Inhibitors:	PAI Type I und II	++	(150 %)
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■ Thrombozytopenia:

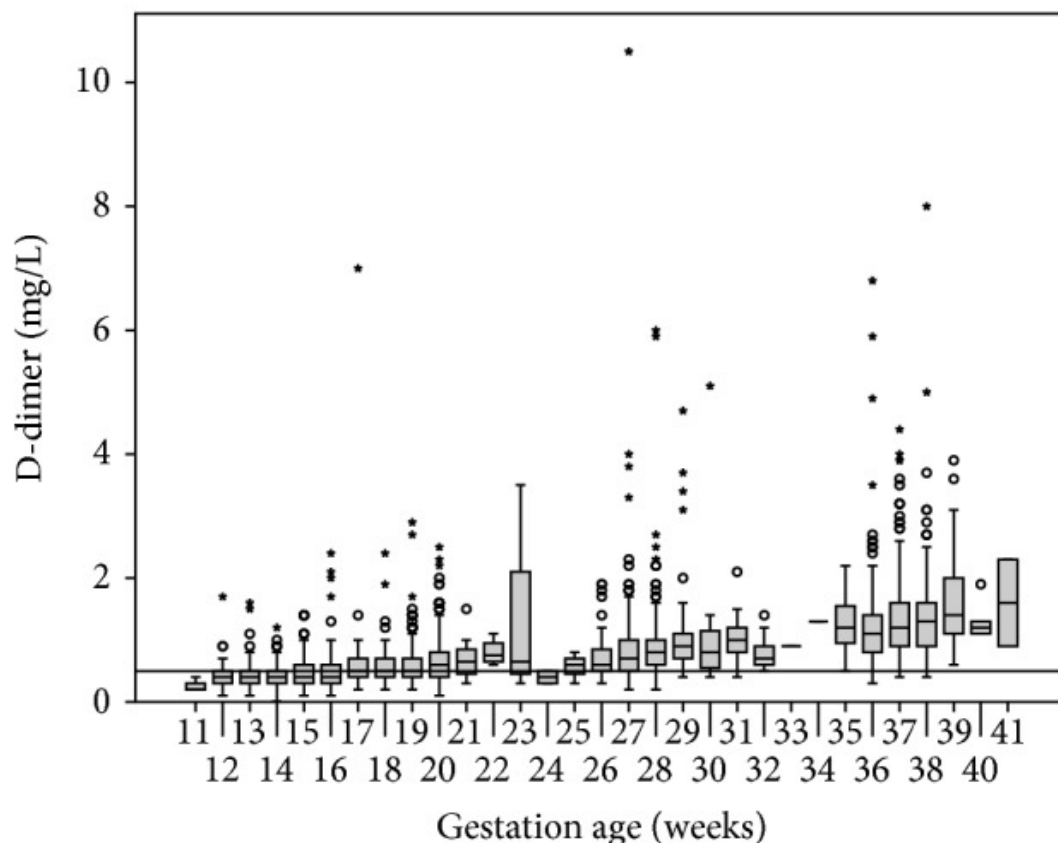
- 6-12 % of all pregnant women:	<150.000 – 100.000 / μ L	
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Large D-Dimer Fluctuation in Normal Pregnancy: A Longitudinal Cohort Study of 4,117 Samples from 714 Healthy Danish Women

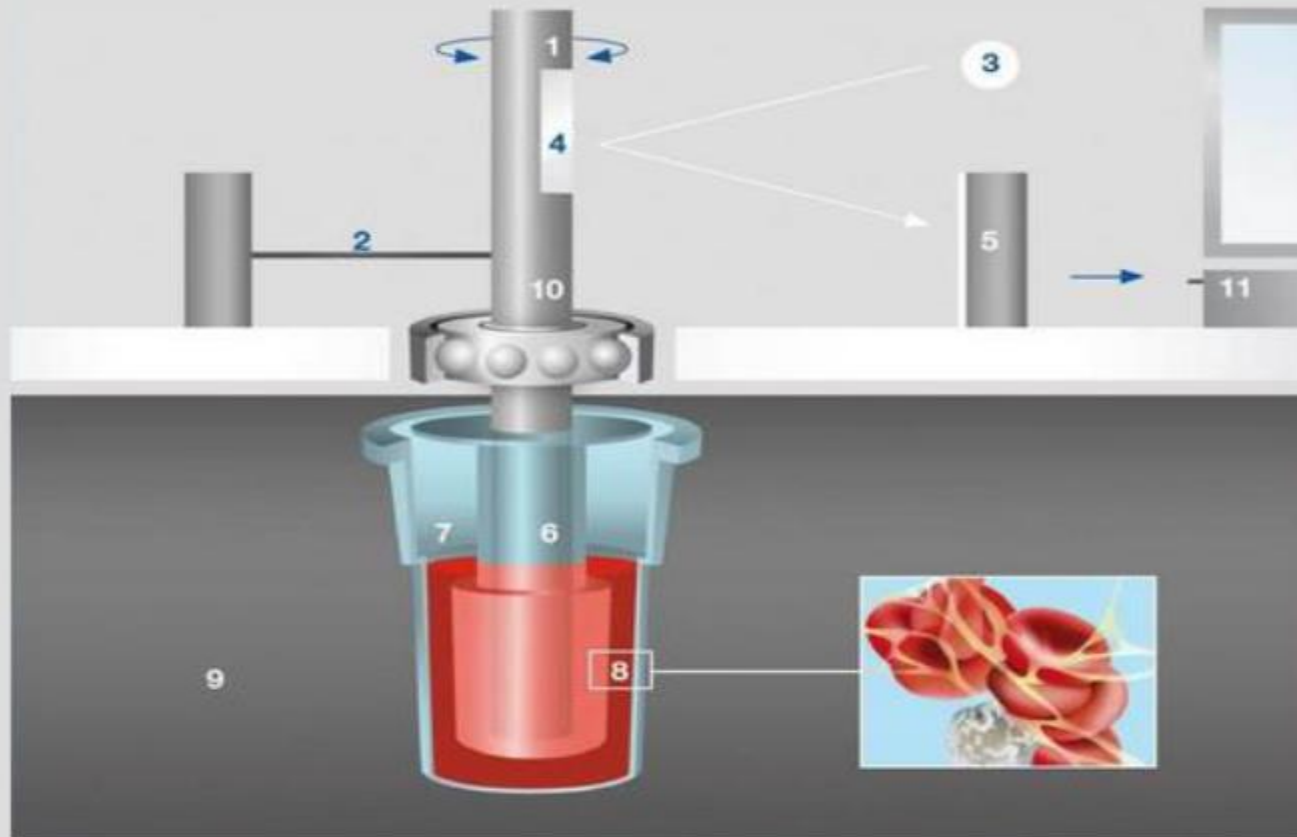
Hedengran et al. Obstet Gynecol Int. 2016.

Box Whisker Plots D-Dimer concentration during normal pregnancy





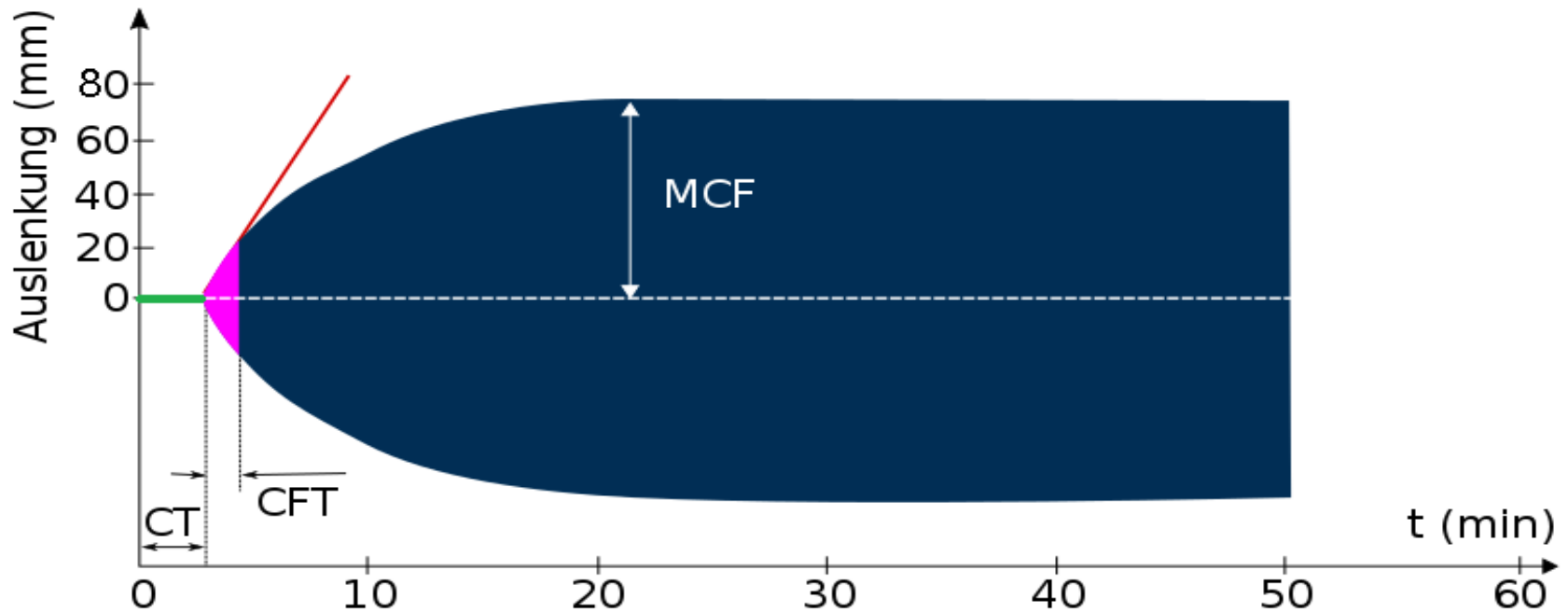
Principle of Rotem delta Thromboelastometry



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|---|---------------------------|----|--------------------------------------|
| 1 | oscillating axis | 7 | cuvette with blood sample |
| 2 | counterforce spring | 8 | fibrin strands & platelet aggregates |
| 3 | light beam from LED | 9 | heated cuvette holder |
| 4 | mirror | 10 | ball bearing |
| 5 | detector (electr. camera) | 11 | data processing unit |
| 6 | sensor pin | | |



ROTEM-Test



Clotting Time (CT): Time –point when formation starts

Clot Formation Time (CFT): Clotformation stabilization of 2 mm

Maximal Clot Firmness (MCF): maximal clott-firmness

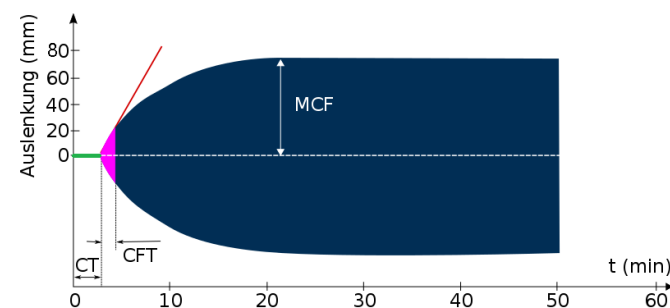
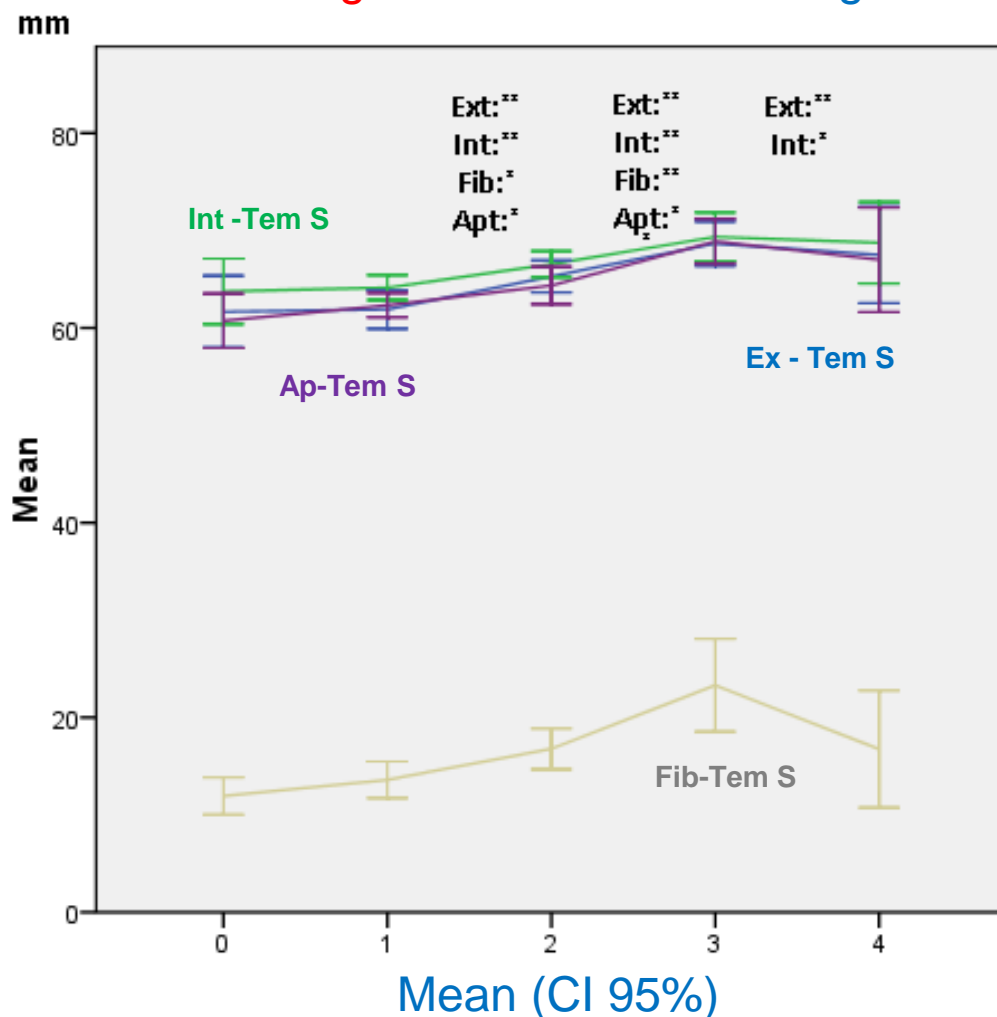




Thrombelastometric results and platelet function during pregnancy in women receiving low molecular weight heparin with a history of recurrent/late abortion-A retrospective analysis

von Tempelhoff et al. et al. Clin Hemorheol Microcirc. 2015;61:99-110.

Maximale Coagulation Firmness during normal pregnancy (MCF) – (n=82)



- 0: before pregnancy
- 1: 1st Trim (< 12 GW)
- 2: 2nd Trim (>13 < 28 GW)
- 3: 3rd Trim (> 28 GW)





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Thrombelastometric monitoring in

46 Patients with a history of Pre-eclampsia/HELLP- Syndrome for prevention of recurrence receiving pooled immunoglobulines during subsequent pregnancy for prevention of Gestosis.

and

67 women under surveillance during normal pregnancy.



Definition of Pre-eclampsia / HELLP Syndrome (DGGG)

Pre-eclampsia (Synonyma → Gestosis):

Gestational hypertension + proteinuria (≥ 300 mg/24h in 24-h-urine or > 30 mg/mmol Protein-Creatinin-Ratio in spontaneous urine) that manifests **after GW 20**.

HELLP - Syndrome:

Trias of:

(H) hemolysis

(EL) elevated liver enzymes → pathological increase in hepatic enzymes

(LP) low platelets → Thrombocytopenia ($< 100.000/\mu\text{l}$) or 50 % reduction of platelets.





Treatment during Pregnancy

when pregnancy was confirmed by positive HCG

- ASS 100 – 150 mg /d (recommandations ACOG, RCOG, DGGG....).
- IVIG (intravenous pooled immunoglobulins) 3g every 3 weeks.
- ASS and IVIG until 36_{th} gestational week.
- ASS + LMWH + IVIG in patients with APA-Syndrome.



Laboratory Monitoring in Patients and Controls

Patients:

- Before each IVIG Cycle

Controls:

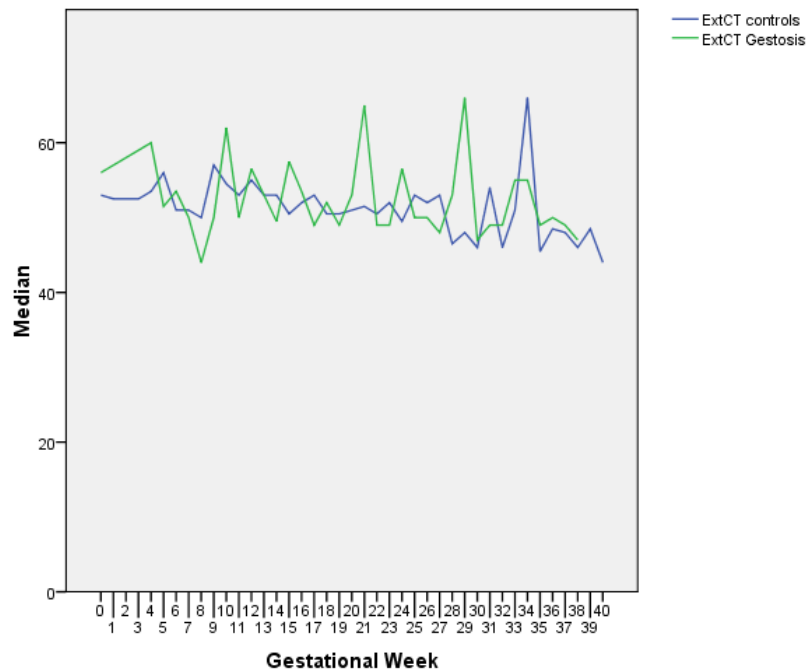
- when visiting for regular pregnancy check-ups.



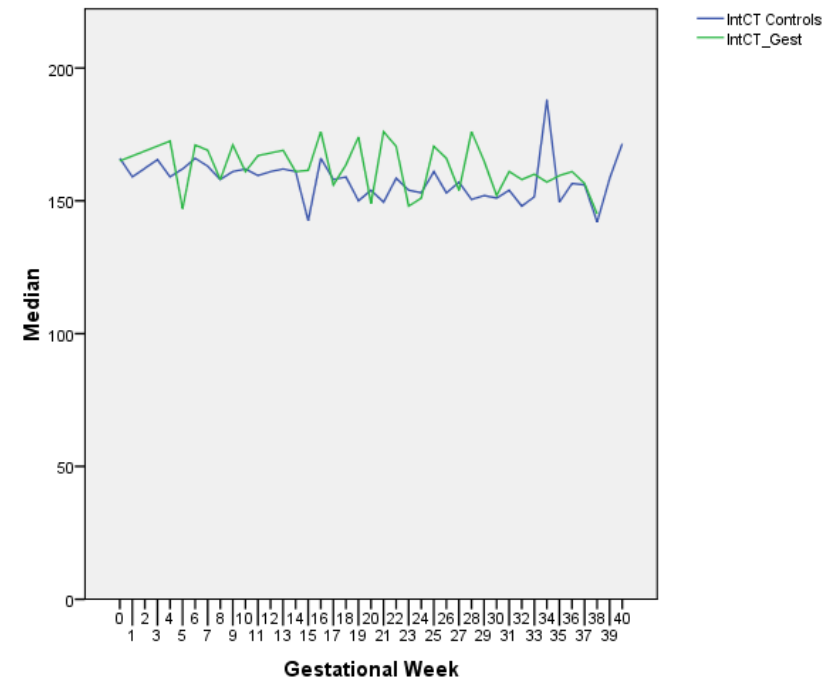
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Clotting Time

Extrinsic Coagulation Pathway (**EX-TEM**)



Intrinsic Coagulation Pathway (**IN-TEM**)



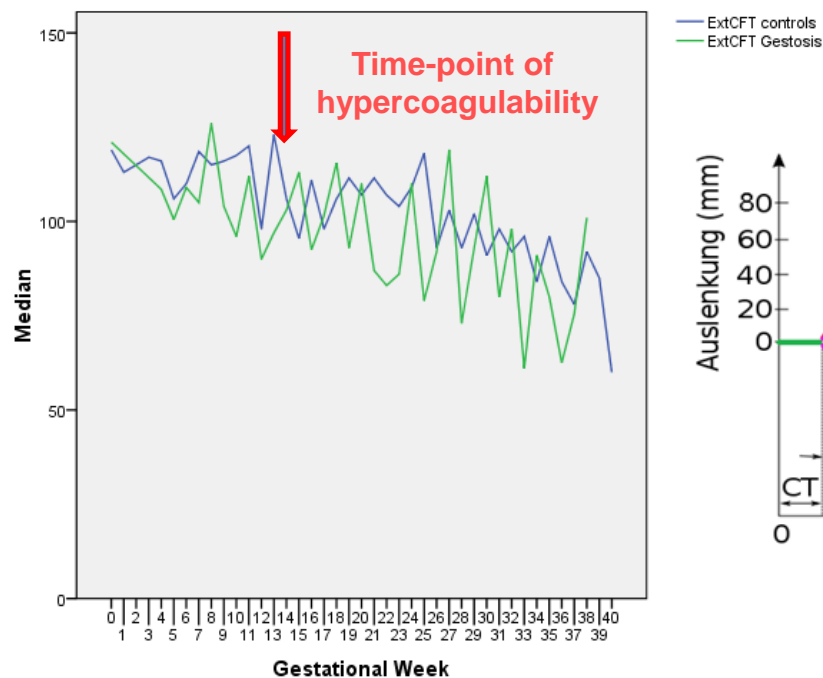
GW 0 → time of clarification consultation



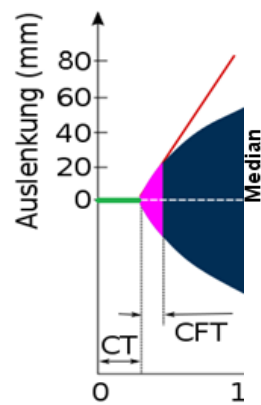
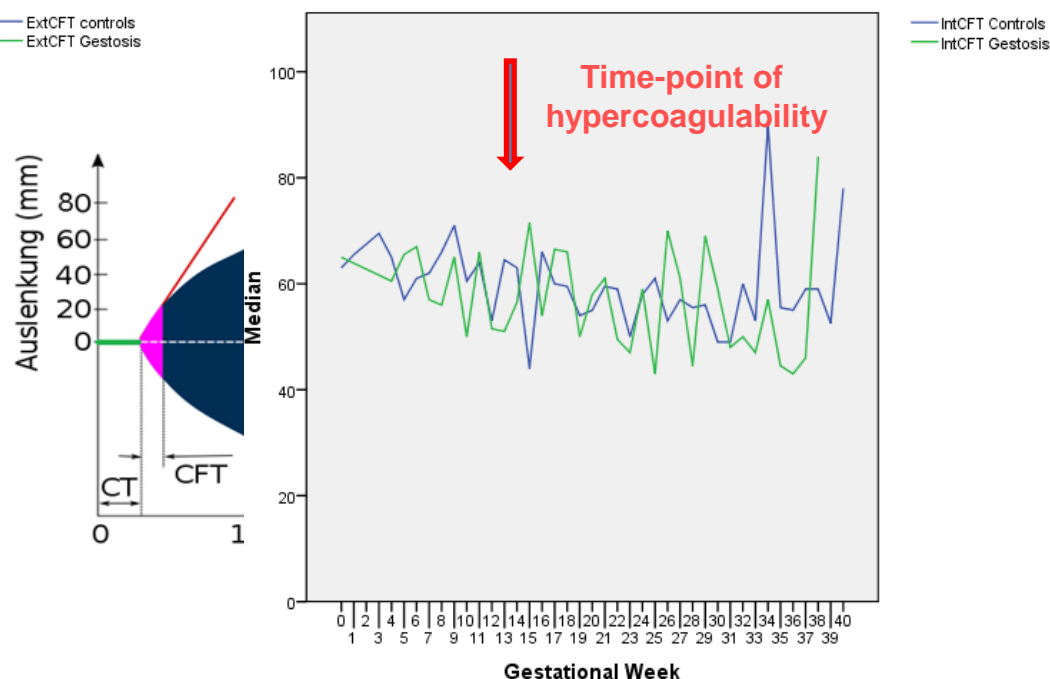
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Clott Formation Time

Extrinsic Coagulation Pathway (EX-TEM)



Intrinsic Coagulation Pathway (IN-TEM)



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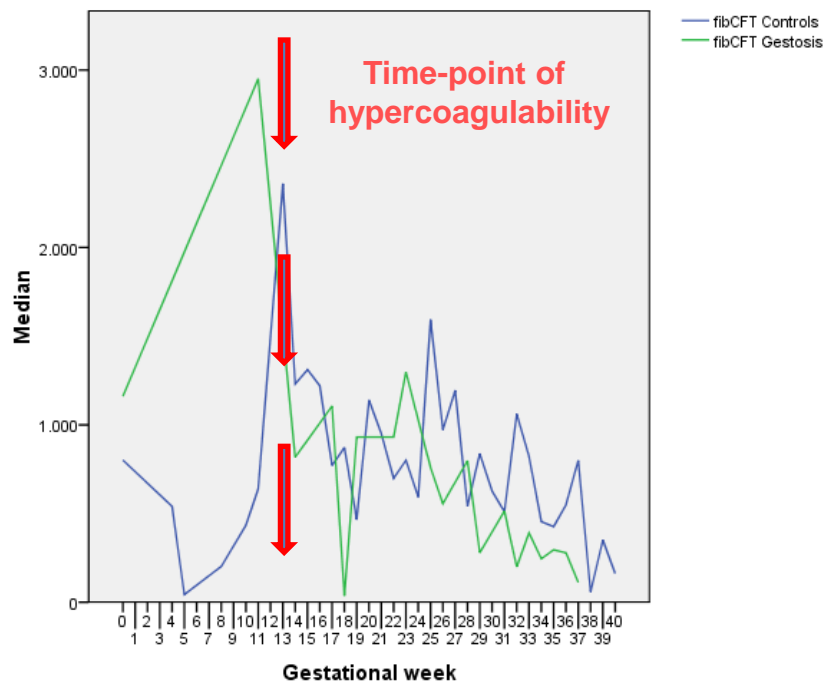




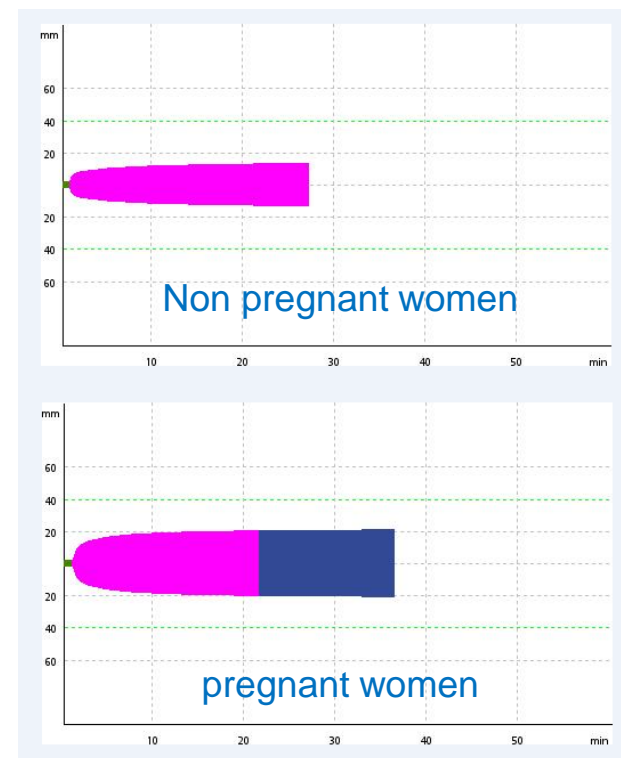
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Clott Formation Time

Platelet blocked Coagulation Pathway (FIB-TEM)



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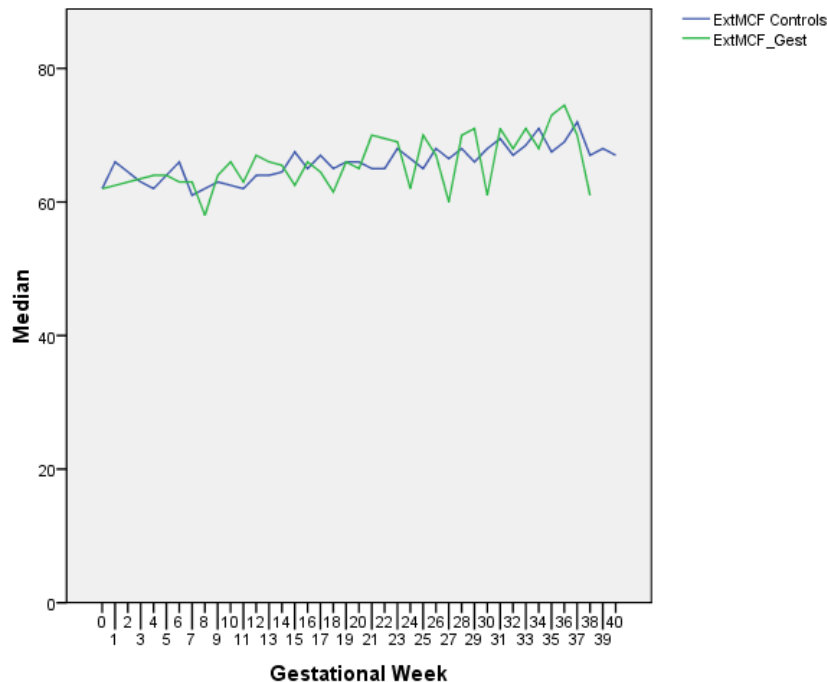




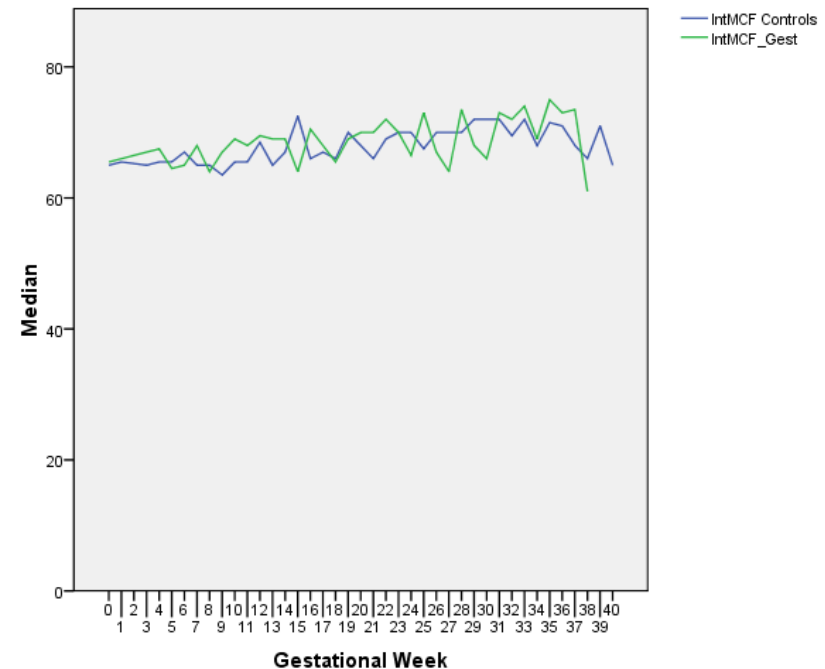
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Maximal Clot Firmness

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Intrinsic Coagulation Pathway (IN-TEM)



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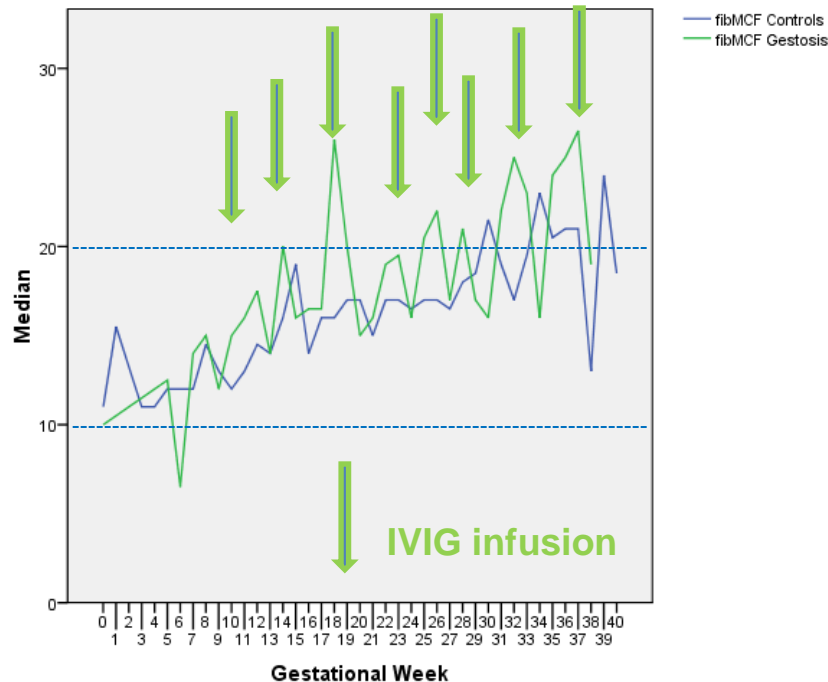




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Maximal Clot Firmness

Platelet blocked Coagulation Pathway (FIB-TEM)



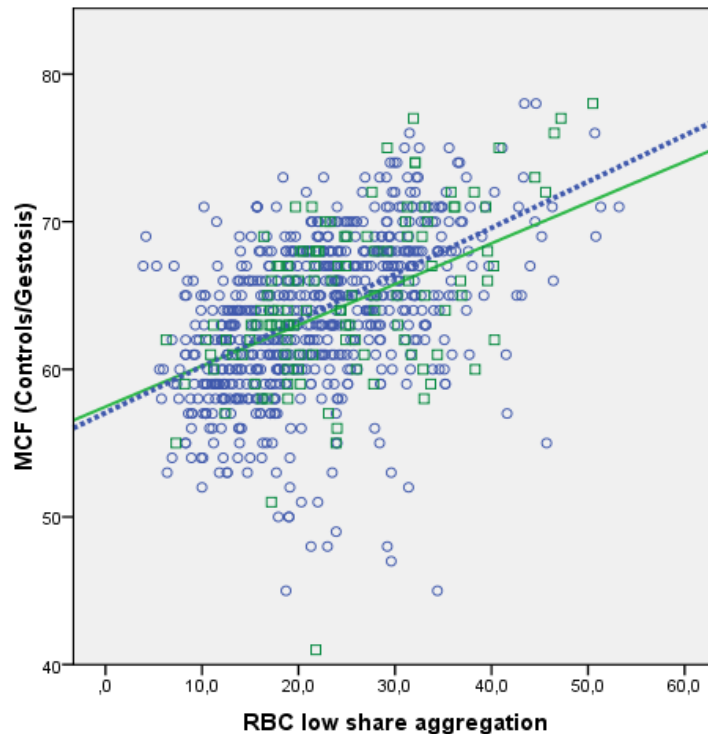
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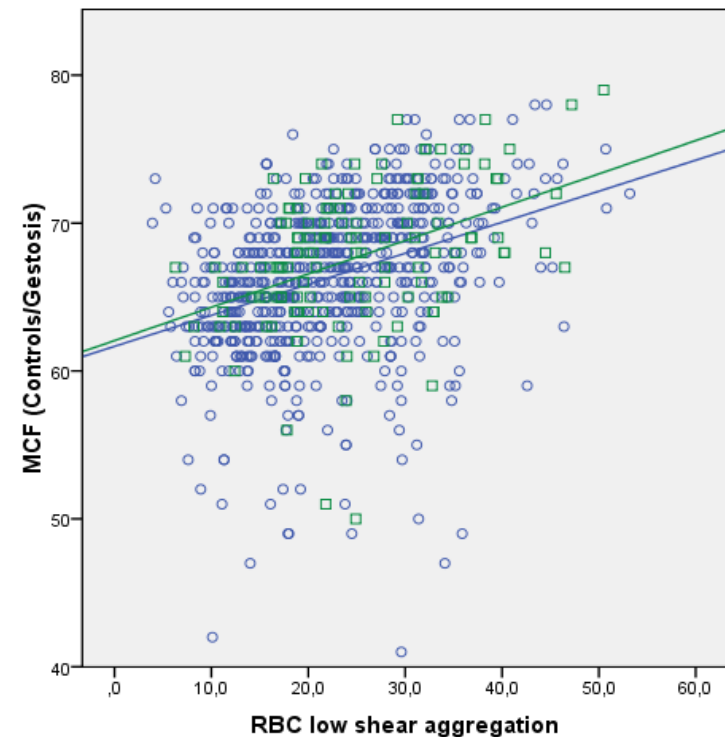
Correlation MCF and RBC low shear aggregation

Extrinsic Coagulation Pathway (**EX-TEM**)



Controls $r=0,46$; $p<0,001$
Gestosis $r=0,64$; $p<0,001$

Intrinsic Coagulation Pathway (**IN-TEM**)



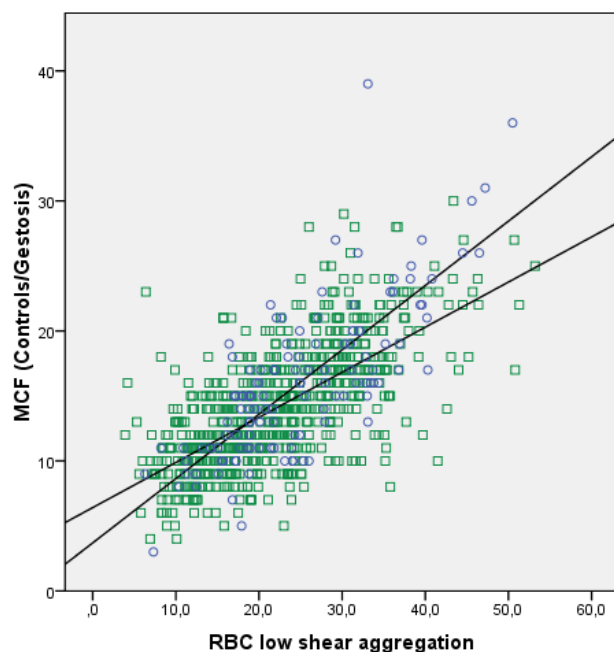
Controls $r=0,34$; $p<0,001$
Gestosis $r=0,27$; $p=0,05$



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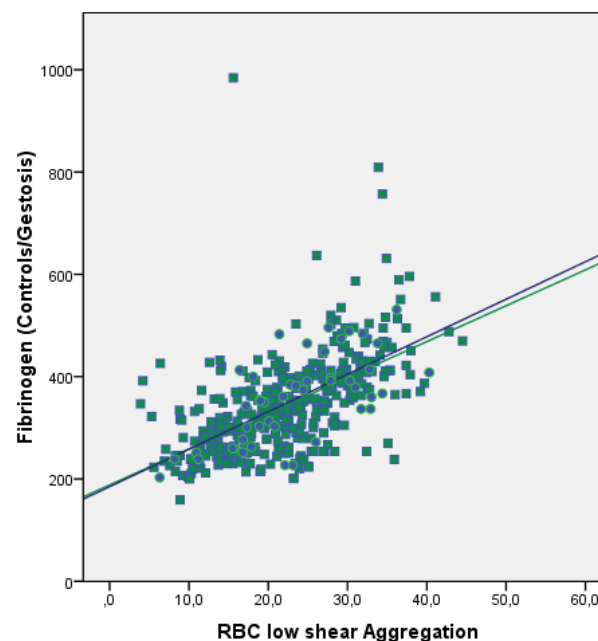
Correlation between MCF, Fibrinogen and RBC low shear aggregation

Platelet blocked Coagulation Pathway
(FIB-TEM)



Controls $r=0,51$; $p<0,001$
Gestosis $r=0,63$; $p<0,001$

Fibrinogen concentration



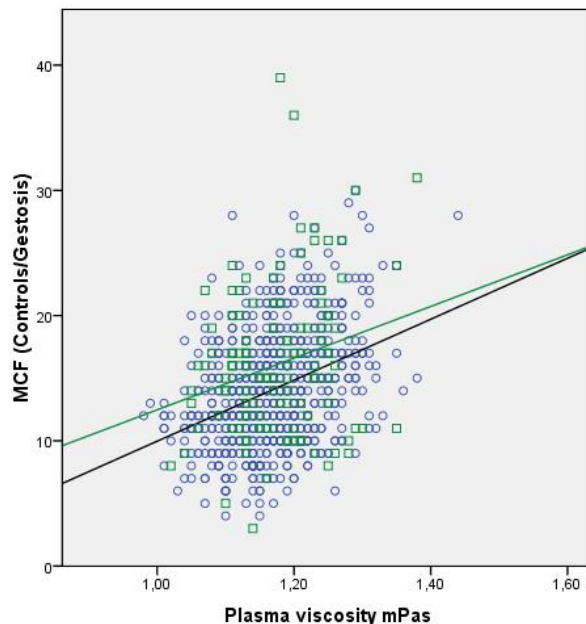
Controls $r=0,46$; $p<0,001$
Gestosis $r=0,48$; $p<0,001$



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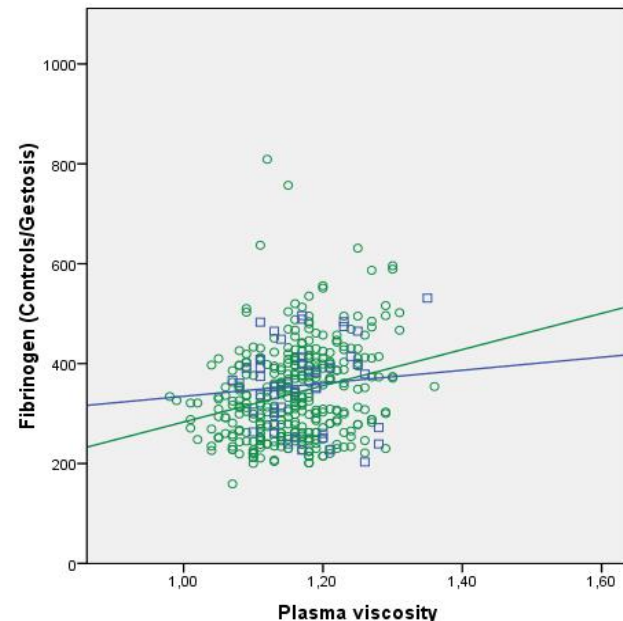
Correlation MCF and Plasma viscosity

Platelet blocked Coagulation Pathway



Controls $r=0,23$; $p<0,001$
Gestosis $r=0,12$; $p=0,06$

Correlation Fibrinogen and Plasma viscosity



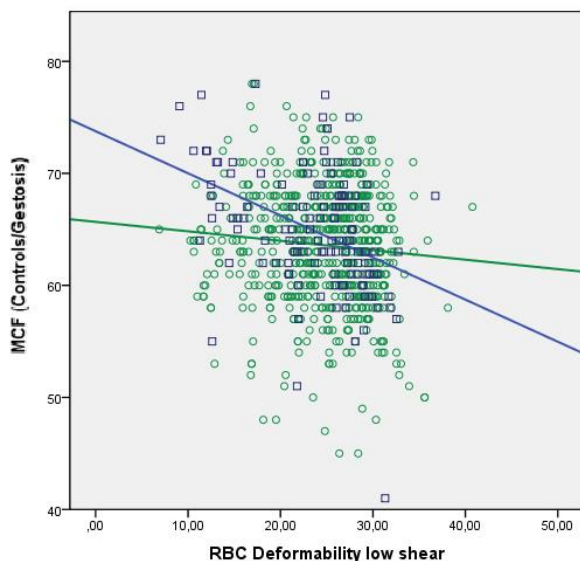
Controls $r=0,17$; $p<0,001$
Gestosis $r=0,02$; n.s



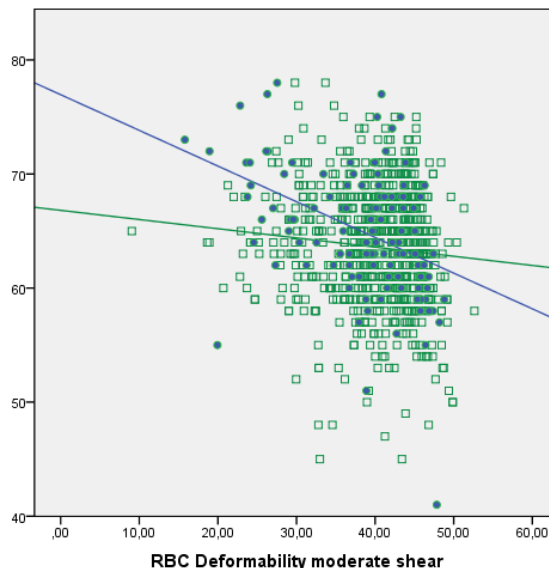
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Correlation MCF and RBC deformability

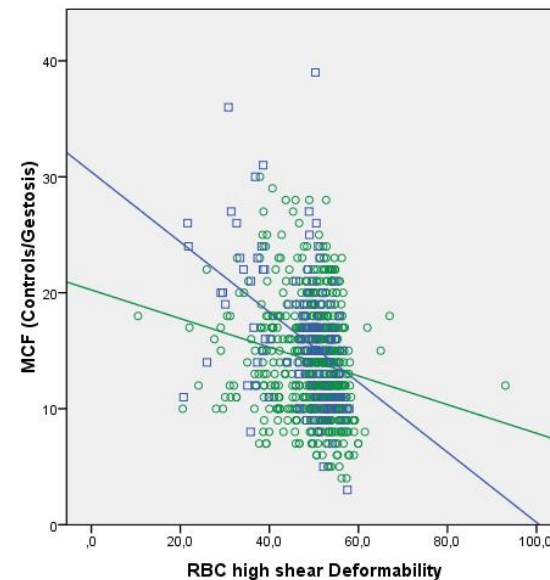
Extrinsic Coagulation Pathway (EX-TEM)



Controls $r = -0,06$; $p = 0,03$
Gestosis $r = -0,31$; $p < 0,001$



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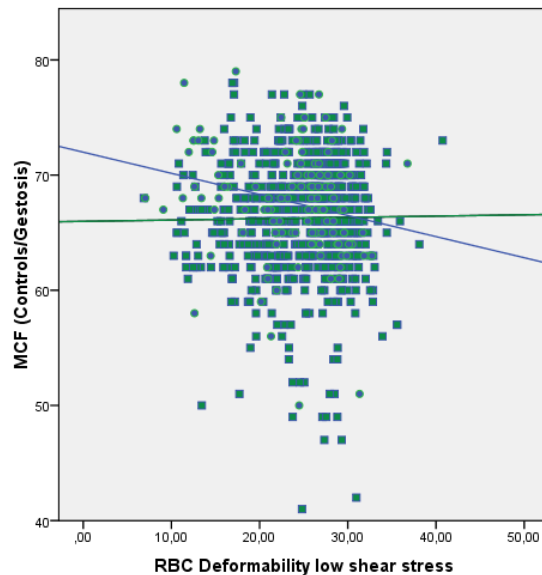
Controls $r = -0,1$; $p < 0,001$
Gestosis $r = 0,35$; $p < 0,001$



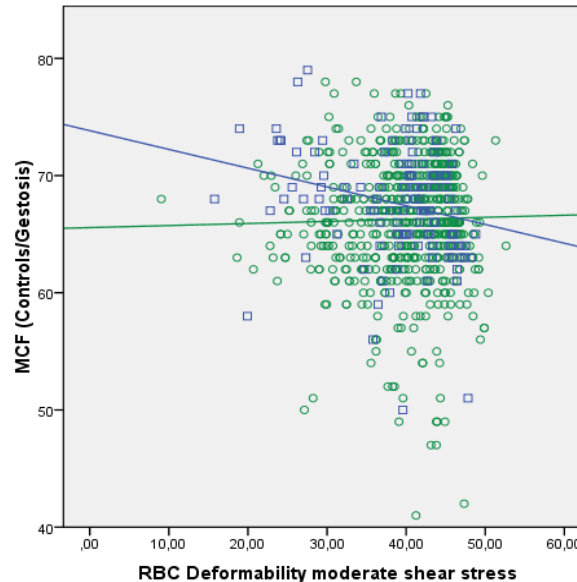
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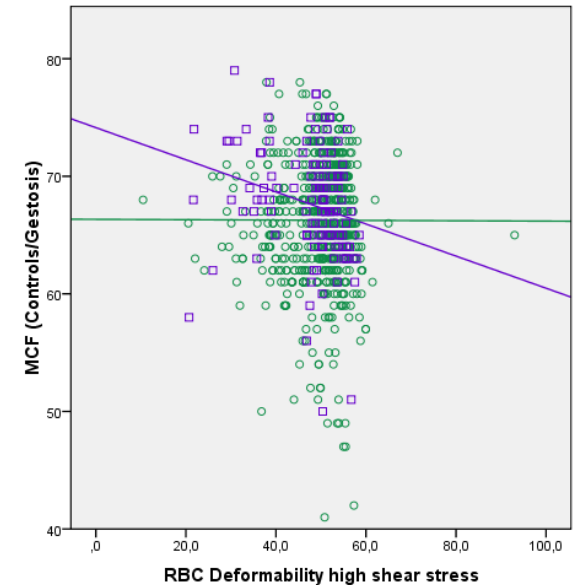
Intrinsic Coagulation Pathway (IN-TEM)



Controls $r=0,03$; n.s.
Gestosis $r= - 0,18$; $p=0,004$



Controls $r=0,03$; n.s.
Gestosis $r= - 0,19$; $p=0,003$



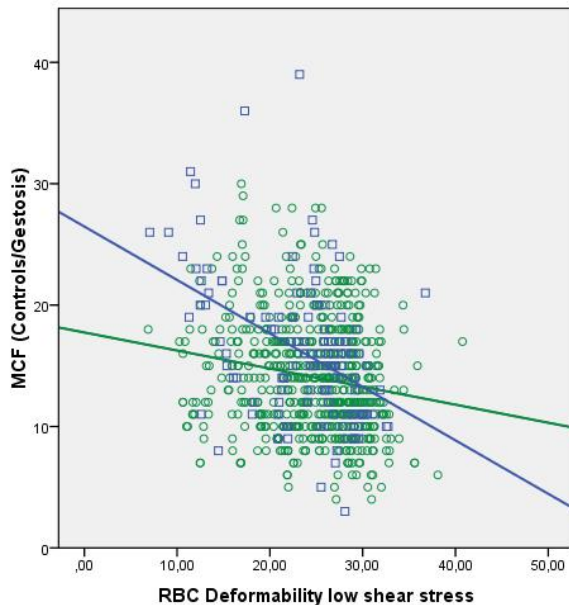
Controls $r= - 0,0$; n.s.
Gestosis $r= - 0,22$; $p=0,001$



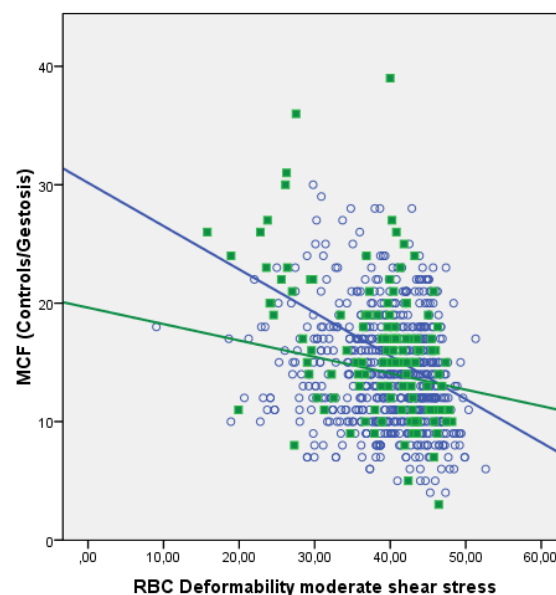
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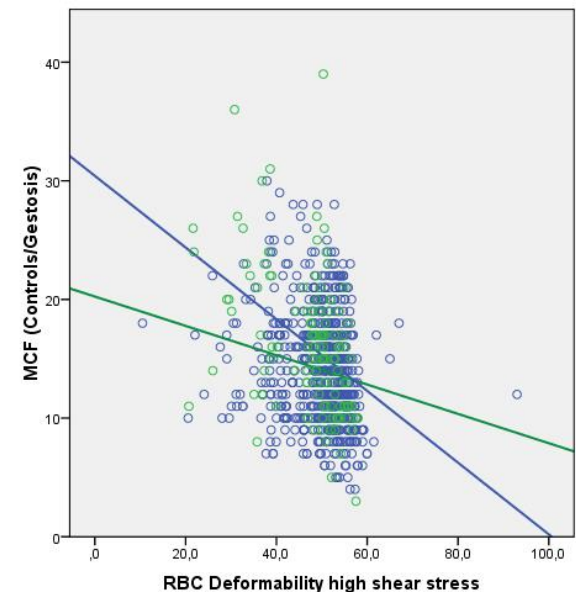
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Controls $r = -0,12$; $p < 0,001$
Gestosis $r = -0,31$; $p < 0,001$



Controls $r = -0,12$; $p < 0,001$.
Gestosis $r = -0,30$; $p < 0,001$



Controls $r = -0,15$; $p < 0,001$.
Gestosis $r = -0,32$; $p = 0,001$





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Summary

- Starting-point of significant coagulation activation is around the 12 GW marked by CFT in platelet suppressed coagulation activation (Fib-tem) that is not reached in non pregnant women. Clot firmness after intrinsic and extrinsic coagulation activation continuously increases with the gestational age and is not different in groups.
- MCF is strongly correlated with RBC aggregation during pregnancy and is most pronounced after platelet suppressed coagulation activation in patients receiving IVIG.
- Neither increased MCF nor Fibrinogen concentrations are accompanied by marked changes in Plasma viscosity
- MCF was significantly correlated with an increased RBC rigidity under all shear stress conditions in patients receiving IVIG and particularly pronounced after extrinsic path activation while no such association was found in normal pregnant women. .



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Remark

All patients included in this evaluation gave written informed consent for the anonymous use of there data for presentation and publication.