

PROGNOSIS Asia: PRediction of short-term Outcome in preGNant wOmen with Suspected preeclampsla Study using the sFlt-1/PIGF ratio in an Asian population

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Objective

Current criteria for diagnosis of preeclampsia have limited clinical value for prediction of the onset of preeclampsia. PROGNOSIS, a prospective, multicenter study (14 Western countries) in pregnant women with suspected preeclampsia, demonstrated that a serum sFIt-1/PIGF ratio ≤38 rules out preeclampsia within 1 week with a 99. 3% negative predictive value (NPV). PROGNOSIS Asia was designed to validate the performance of this cut-off in the short-term prediction of preeclampsia in pregnant women in Asia.

Methods

PROGNOSIS Asia was a prospective, multicenter, blinded, non-interventional study including pregnant women at gestational week 20+0 days (18+0 days in Japan) - 36+6 days with suspected preeclampsia, conducted at 25 sites in Asia. The primary objectives were to validate the sFlt-1/PIGF ratio of ≤38 to predict the absence of preeclampsia within 1 week, and the sFlt-1/PIGF ratio of >38 to predict the presence of preeclampsia within 4 weeks.

Results

764 subjects were enrolled and data from 700 subjects (91. 6%) were evaluable for primary endpoint analysis. The prevalence of preeclampsia in this cohort was 14. 4%. An sFlt-1/PIGF ratio of ≤38 had an NPV of 98. 6% (95% confidence interval [CI], 97. 2–99. 4) for ruling-out preeclampsia within 1 week with 76. 5% sensitivity (95% CI, 58. 8–89. 3), 82. 1% specificity (95% CI, 79. 0–85. 0) and area under the curve (AUC) of 84. 3% (95% CI, 75. 6–91. 4). The positive predictive value (PPV) of an sFlt-1/PIGF ratio >38 for the diagnosis of preeclampsia within 4 weeks was 30. 3% (95% CI, 23. 0–38. 5), with 62. 0% sensitivity (95% CI, 49. 7–73. 2), 83. 9% specificity (95% CI, 80. 8–86. 7) and AUC of 81. 2% (74. 8–86. 6).

Conclusion

The clinical performance of the sFlt-1/PIGF ratio cut-off of 38 was validated in an Asian population. This study confirms the clinical utility of the sFlt-1/PIGF ratio to aid in the short-term prediction of preeclampsia in conjunction with other diagnostic and clinical information.