

## Positive Predictive Value of a High-Risk Noninvasive Prenatal Screening Result for Various Increased Pretest Risk Levels and for Various Gestational Ages and Maternal Ages

### PPV for Trisomy 21, 18, and 13 at Increased Risk Levels<sup>a,b</sup>

| Pretest Risk | PPV (%)    |            |            |
|--------------|------------|------------|------------|
|              | Trisomy 21 | Trisomy 18 | Trisomy 13 |
| 1/5          | 98.9       | 99.4       | 99.1       |
| 2/3          | 99.9       | 99.9       | 99.9       |
| 1/10         | 97.6       | 98.6       | 97.9       |
| 1/15         | 96.3       | 97.8       | 96.8       |
| 1/25         | 93.9       | 96.3       | 94.6       |
| 1/50         | 88.2       | 92.7       | 89.5       |
| 1/75         | 83.2       | 89.4       | 84.9       |
| 1/100        | 78.7       | 86.3       | 80.8       |
| 1/150        | 71.1       | 80.8       | 73.7       |
| 1/200        | 64.8       | 75.9       | 67.7       |
| 1/250        | 59.5       | 71.5       | 62.6       |
| 1/500        | 42.3       | 55.6       | 45.5       |

<sup>a</sup>Data are not sufficient to calculate sensitivity, specificity, PPV, and NPV for every condition.

<sup>b</sup>PPV are calculated based on sensitivity and specificity<sup>1</sup> as  $\text{incidence} \times \text{sensitivity} / \{[\text{incidence} \times \text{sensitivity}] + [(1 - \text{incidence}) \times (1 - \text{specificity})]\}$ . The PPV is greatly affected by an individual's pretest risk for each of the screened conditions, which varies based on gestational age and maternal age.

NPV, negative predictive value; PPV, positive predictive value

### PPV for Trisomy 21, 18, and 13 at Various Gestational Ages and Maternal Ages<sup>a,b</sup>

| Gestational Age | Maternal Age at EDD    |        |        |        |        |        |
|-----------------|------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
|                 | 20 yrs                 | 25 yrs | 30 yrs | 35 yrs | 40 yrs | 44 yrs |
|                 | PPV (%) for Trisomy 21 |        |        |        |        |        |
| 10 wks          | 27.2                   | 29.7   | 38.9   | 61.6   | 85.7   | 95.1   |
| 12 wks          | 25.6                   | 27.9   | 37.0   | 59.6   | 84.5   | 94.8   |
| 14 wks          | 24.3                   | 26.7   | 35.5   | 58.0   | 83.8   | 94.3   |
| 16 wks          | 23.4                   | 25.7   | 34.3   | 56.8   | 83.0   | 94.1   |
| 20 wks          | 22.1                   | 24.2   | 32.6   | 54.9   | 81.9   | 93.6   |
| 30 wks          | 20.9                   | 23.0   | 31.1   | 53.1   | 80.8   | 93.1   |

**PPV for Trisomy 21, 18, and 13 at Various Gestational Ages and Maternal Ages<sup>a,b</sup>**

| Gestational Age | Maternal Age at EDD    |        |        |        |        |        |
|-----------------|------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
|                 | 20 yrs                 | 25 yrs | 30 yrs | 35 yrs | 40 yrs | 44 yrs |
|                 | PPV (%) for Trisomy 18 |        |        |        |        |        |
| 10 wks          | 23.9                   | 26.2   | 34.9   | 57.4   | 83.3   | 94.1   |
| 12 wks          | 20.1                   | 22.1   | 30.1   | 51.9   | 80.0   | 92.7   |
| 14 wks          | 17.2                   | 19.0   | 26.2   | 47.1   | 76.7   | 91.4   |
| 16 wks          | 14.8                   | 16.4   | 22.9   | 42.8   | 73.4   | 89.8   |
| 20 wks          | 11.3                   | 12.6   | 17.9   | 35.4   | 66.9   | 86.6   |
| 30 wks          | 6.2                    | 6.9    | 10.1   | 22.0   | 51.0   | 76.8   |
|                 | PPV (%) for Trisomy 13 |        |        |        |        |        |
| 10 wks          | 6.2                    | 6.9    | 10.1   | 22.0   | 51.0   | 76.8   |
| 12 wks          | 5.1                    | 5.7    | 8.3    | 18.6   | 45.8   | 72.9   |
| 14 wks          | 4.3                    | 4.8    | 7.0    | 16.0   | 41.3   | 69.1   |
| 16 wks          | 3.6                    | 4.1    | 6.1    | 13.9   | 37.4   | 65.6   |
| 20 wks          | 2.8                    | 3.1    | 4.6    | 10.9   | 31.0   | 58.9   |
| 30 wks          | 1.6                    | 1.8    | 2.7    | 6.4    | 20.2   | 44.6   |

<sup>a</sup>Data are not sufficient to calculate sensitivity, specificity, PPV, and NPV for every condition.

<sup>b</sup>PPV ranges are calculated based on sensitivity and specificity<sup>1</sup> and the prevalence<sup>2,3</sup> in a low-risk group (20 years of age, 30 weeks gestational age) through the prevalence<sup>2,3</sup> in a high-risk group (44 years of age, 10 weeks gestation). PPV is greatly affected by an individual's pretest risks for each of the screened conditions, which varies based on gestational age and maternal age.

EDD, estimated date of delivery

For more details about noninvasive prenatal testing (NIPT) and a description of the spectrum of prenatal genetic testing, please refer to the [ARUP Consult Prenatal Testing for Chromosomal Abnormalities and Neural Tube Defects](#) topic. For more information about maternal serum screening, refer to ARUP's [First and Second Trimester Screening Options](#).

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