



# The Southern Ontario Obstetric Network – Past Present and Future

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# Research: Timing of delivery in GDM.

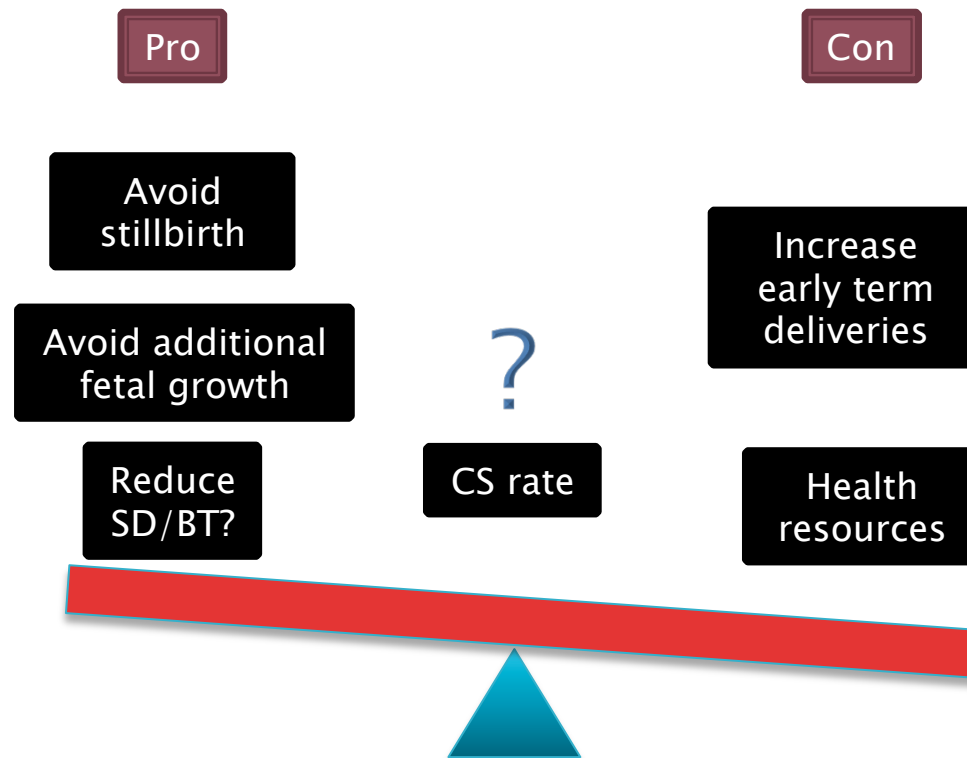
Gestational age, wk	RR of stillbirth (95% CI)
36	1.57 (1.2–2.0)
37	1.84 (1.5–2.3)
38	1.45 (1.1–1.9)
39	1.56 (1.2–2.0)
40	1.29 (0.92–1.8)
41	1.35 (0.85–2.13)
42	0.83 (0.37–1.9)
Overall	1.34 (1.2–1.5)

CI, confidence interval; RR, relative risk.

Rosenstein. Risk of stillbirth, infant death, and expectant management in women with gestational diabetes. *Am J Obstet Gynecol* 2012.



# Routine delivery at 38/39 weeks?



# Evidence?

- ▶ Until 2016 –> One small RCT Kjos et al

*Am J Obstet Gynecol. 1993 Sep;169(3):611–5*

- ▶ Recently a European RCT was published – underpowered for all outcomes.

*BJOG. 2017 Mar;124(4):669–677*

- ▶ IOL for macrosomia? (10% were GDM on diet)

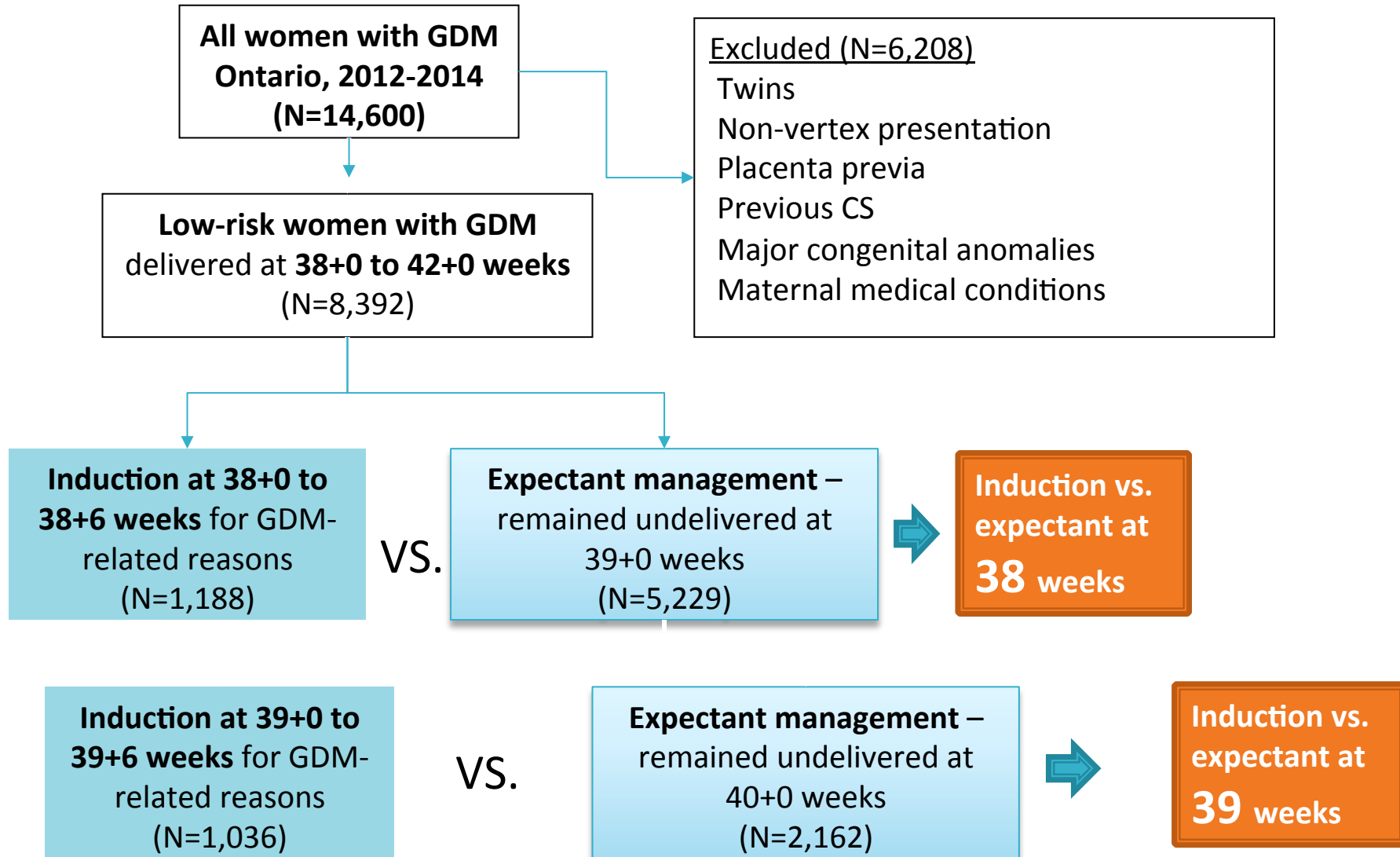
*Lancet. 2015 Jun 27;385(9987):2600–5*

**No increase in CS rates**



## Induction of labor before 40 weeks is associated with lower rate of cesarean delivery in women with gestational diabetes mellitus

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# Results

	38 weeks			39 weeks		
Outcome	Induction (N=1,188)	Expectant management (N=5,229)	p-value	Induction (N=1,036)	Expectant management (N=2,162)	p-value
Hypertensive complications	-	293 (5.6)	N/A	-	103 (4.8)	N/A
Induction	1,188 (100.0)	2,484 (47.5)	<0.001	1,036 (100.0)	1,044 (48.3)	<0.001
CS	198 (16.7)	1,114 (21.3)	<0.001	203 (19.6)	494 (22.9)	0.04
Shoulder dystocia	36 (3.0)	149 (2.8)	0.7	41 (4.0)	61 (2.8)	0.09
Anal sphincter injury	27 (2.3)	197 (3.8)	0.01	40 (3.9)	94 (4.4)	0.5
NICU admission	165 (13.9)	567 (10.8)	0.002	103 (9.9)	247 (11.4)	0.2
Respiratory morbidity ‡	36 (3.0)	188 (3.6)	0.3	27 (2.6)	89 (4.1)	0.03
Jaundice requiring phototherapy	59 (5.0)	178 (3.4)	0.01	39 (3.8)	70 (3.2)	0.4
Hypoglycemia	74 (6.2)	211 (4.0)	<0.001	49 (4.7)	77 (3.6)	0.1



	Induction vs. expectant management	
	Adjusted OR (95% CI) *	
Outcome	At 38 weeks	At 39 weeks
Cesarean section	<b>0.73 (0.52-0.90)</b>	<b>0.73 (0.58-0.93)</b>
Instrumental delivery	1.10 (0.89-1.46)	1.19 (0.89-1.57)
Anal sphincter injury	0.97 (0.61-1.55)	1.16 (0.72-1.87)
Composite neonatal morbidity	1.10 (0.93-1.30)	0.84 (0.69-1.03)
NICU admission	<b>1.36 (1.09-1.69)</b>	0.83 (0.61-1.11)

\* Adjusted for : maternal age, nulliparity, insulin treatment, BMI, BW>4000g

**A cluster RCT is needed –  
better SOONer than later!**



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## 1. DOH\* components and perinatal outcomes

BORN/ICES data

A

Crude and adjusted risks for individual short term maternal fetal outcomes.  
Adjusted and quantified for each DOH component and combinations.

Mixed methods

B

Assessment of potential modifiers: baseline analysis of GWG, Diabetic control, Diet and Physical activity, ASA in DOH group

## 2. Individual studies of DOH components

1. Hypertension–
  1. Timing of delivery
  2. ASA use
2. GDM:
  1. CPR in GDM
  2. Timing of delivery
3. Obesity:
  1. GWG in DOH
  2. ASA in obese women
4. Stillbirth in DOH
5. Cluster RCT TBD

Intervention studies:  
based on A & B

\*Diabetes Obesity Hypertension

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