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# **Diagnóstico genético en malformaciones del Sistema Nervioso Central**

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# Hoja de ruta



# Introducción

- 2-3% de fetos con alteraciones estructurales
- Las anomalías congénitas se asocian en 25% de los casos a alteraciones genéticas

12% de ingresos  
pediátricos

30% de muertes neonatales y  
50% de muertes neonatales e  
infantiles

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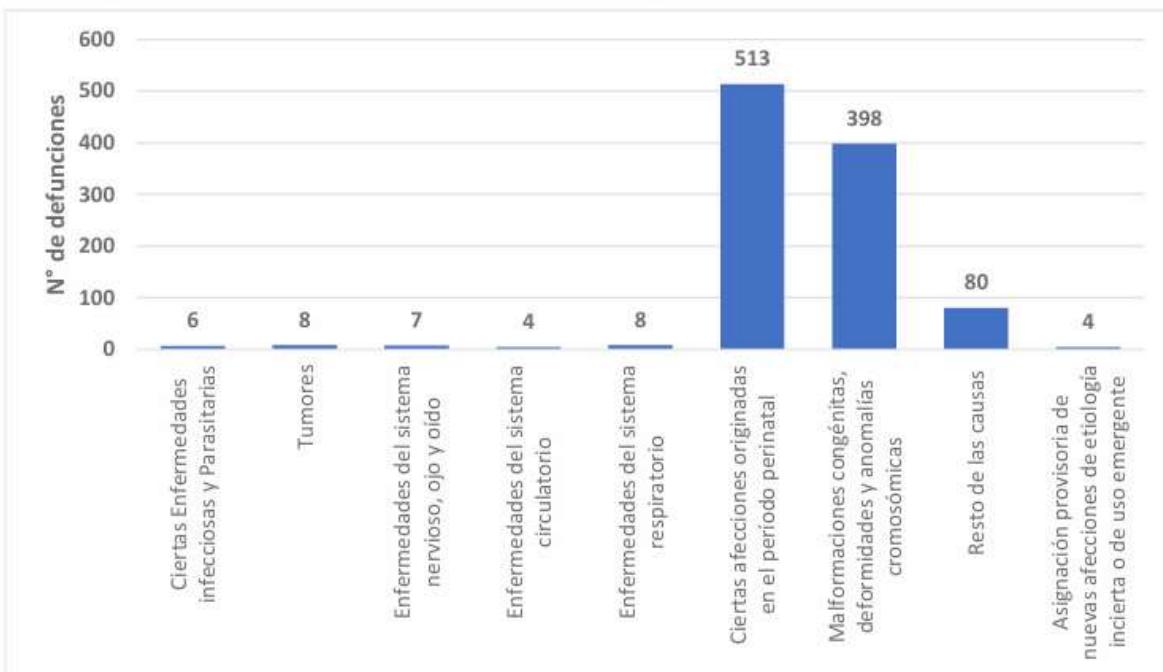
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# Introducción



38,7% de  
mortalidad infantil  
en Chile

Gráfico 20: Principales causas de muerte de las defunciones de menores de un año, 2021



Fuente: INE, en base a estadísticas vitales, 2021.

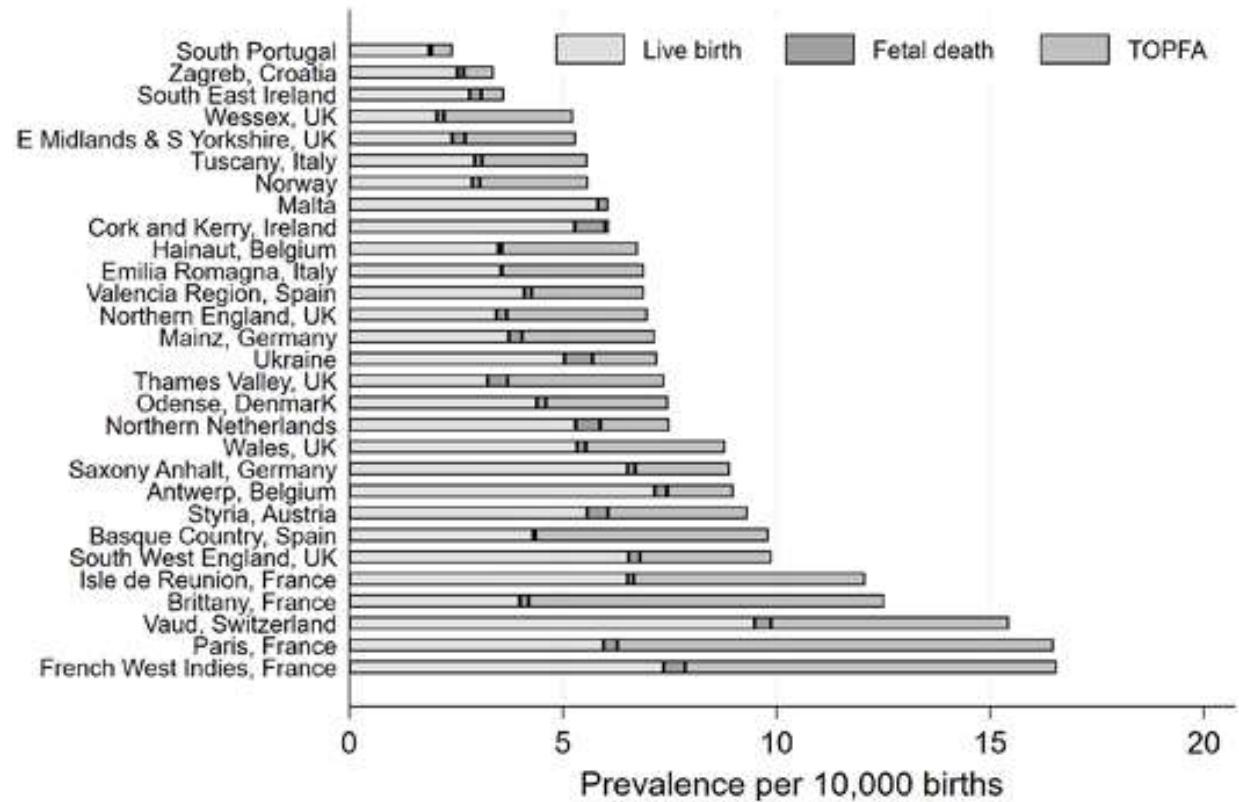
# Prevalencia de anomalías del SNC

- En Europa 9,5 (95% IC 8,5-11,2) por 10,000 partos

48% aisladas

25% anomalías no SNC

27% alteraciones genéticas



# Prevalencia de anomalías del SNC

**Table 3** Classification of congenital cerebral anomaly cases according to associated anomalies and genetic diagnosis; 29 EUROCAT registries, 2005–2014

ICD-10 code	Q04.2	Q04.1	Q04.4	Q04.5	Q04.3	Q04.0	Q04.8	Q04.6	Q04.9	Q04
Associated anomalies and genetic diagnoses, n (%)	Holoprosencephaly	Arhinencephaly	Septo-optic dysplasia	Megalencephaly	Other reduction deformities of brain	Congenital malformations of corpus callosum	Other specified congenital malformations of brain	Congenital cerebral cysts	Congenital malformation of brain, unspecified	All cases
Isolated cerebral anomaly	305 (35)	2 (6)	68 (72)	35 (71)	663 (47)	764 (52)	180 (47)	251 (67)	112 (46)	2380 (48)
Chromosomal	309 (36)	21 (46)	1 (1)	0 (0)	203 (14)	280 (16)	68 (12)	43 (8)	39 (14)	876 (18)
Patau syndrome	206 (24)	11 (33)	0 (0)	0 (0)	31 (2)	24 (2)	2 (1)	0 (0)	11 (5)	285 (6)
Edward's syndrome	31 (4)	1 (3)	0 (0)	0 (0)	50 (4)	55 (4)	10 (3)	24 (6)	7 (3)	178 (4)
Down's syndrome	3 (0)	0 (0)	1 (1)	0 (0)	23 (2)	17 (1)	11 (3)	1 (0)	6 (2)	62 (1)
Genetic syndrome	13 (2)	4 (12)	1 (1)	8 (16)	152 (11)	92 (6)	31 (8)	15 (4)	13 (5)	329 (7)
Teratogenic syndromes including maternal infections*	0 (0)	0 (0)	1 (1)	0 (0)	34 (2)	17 (1)	15 (4)	9 (2)	13 (5)	89 (2)
Multiple congenital anomaly	238 (28)	10 (30)	23 (24)	6 (12)	372 (26)	364 (25)	109 (28)	63 (17)	68 (28)	1253 (25)
With congenital heart defects	68 (8)	3 (9)	8 (9)	1 (2)	133 (9)	143 (10)	40 (10)	22 (6)	30 (12)	448 (9)
With congenital limb anomalies	42 (5)	2 (6)	4 (4)	3 (6)	125 (9)	94 (6)	26 (7)	13 (3)	17 (7)	326 (7)
With congenital eye anomalies	46 (5)	2 (6)	9 (10)	0 (0)	21 (1)	43 (3)	6 (2)	8 (2)	5 (2)	140 (3)

\*Under-reporting is likely to have occurred.

ICD-10, International Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision.

# Diagnóstico de anomalías del SNC



Fetal abnormality	Total	NT>95th percentile	Diagnosis			Outcome			First trimester detection in previous studies
			11–13 weeks	20–24 weeks	>24 weeks	TOP	Misc/ IUD	LB	
<b>Neural tube</b>									
Acrania/iniencephaly	29	8 (27.6%)*	29 (100%)	—	—	29	—	—	31/32 (96.9%)
Encephalocele	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2/2 (100%)
Open spina bifida	21	1 (4.7%)	3 (14.3%)	18	—	21	—	—	7/19 (36.8%)
Hemivertebrae	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	2/3 (66.7%)
Sacrococcygeal teratoma	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1/2 (50.0%)
<b>Brain</b>									
Microcephaly	1	—	—	—	1 <sup>a</sup>	—	—	1	0/1 (0.0%)
Craniosynostosis	1	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	0/1 (0.0%)
Corpus callosum agenesis	10	1 (10.0%)	—	10	—	7	1	2	0/1 (0.0%)
Ventriculomegaly	11	—	1 (9.1%)	9	1 <sup>b</sup>	9	—	2	3/19 (15.8%)
Holoprosencephaly	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7/9 (77.8%)
Alobar	2	—	2 (100%)	—	—	2	—	—	—
Semilobar	1	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—
Cerebellar hypoplasia	3	—	—	3	—	3	—	—	5/10 (50.0%)
Vermian agenesis	4	—	—	4	—	3	—	1	—

Defect	Total	NT > 95 <sup>th</sup> percentile	Detection			
			First trimester	Second trimester	Third trimester	Postnatal
<b>Central nervous system</b>						
Acrania	48	0 (0)	48 (100)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Alobar holoprosencephaly	10	2 (20.0)	10 (100)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Encephalocele	15	5 (33.3)*	15 (100)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Open spina bifida	59	6 (10.2)*	35 (59.3)	24 (40.7)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Hypoplastic cerebellum/vermis	15	0 (0)	2 (13.3)	13 (86.7)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Agenesis of corpus callosum	26	2 (7.7)	0 (0)	25 (96.2)	1 (3.8)	0 (0)
Schizencephaly	3	0 (0)	0 (0)	2 (66.7)	1 (33.3)	0 (0)
Septo-optic dysplasia	1	0 (0)	0 (0)	1 (100)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Microcephaly	9	0 (0)	0 (0)	1 (11.1)	8 (88.9)	0 (0)
Severe ventriculomegaly	18	0 (0)	0 (0)	14 (77.8)	4 (22.2)	0 (0)
Arachnoid cyst	14	1 (7.1)	0 (0)	5 (35.7)	9 (64.3)	0 (0)
Brain hemorrhage	2	0 (0)	0 (0)	1 (50.0)	1 (50.0)	0 (0)
Dural venous sinus thrombosis	2	0 (0)	0 (0)	2 (100)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Craniosynostosis	2	1 (50.0)	0 (0)	1 (50.0)	1 (50.0)	0 (0)
Occipital dermoid cyst	1	1 (100)*	0 (0)	1 (100)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Blake's pouch cyst	4	0 (0)	0 (0)	4 (100)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Brain tumor	2	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	2 (100)	0 (0)

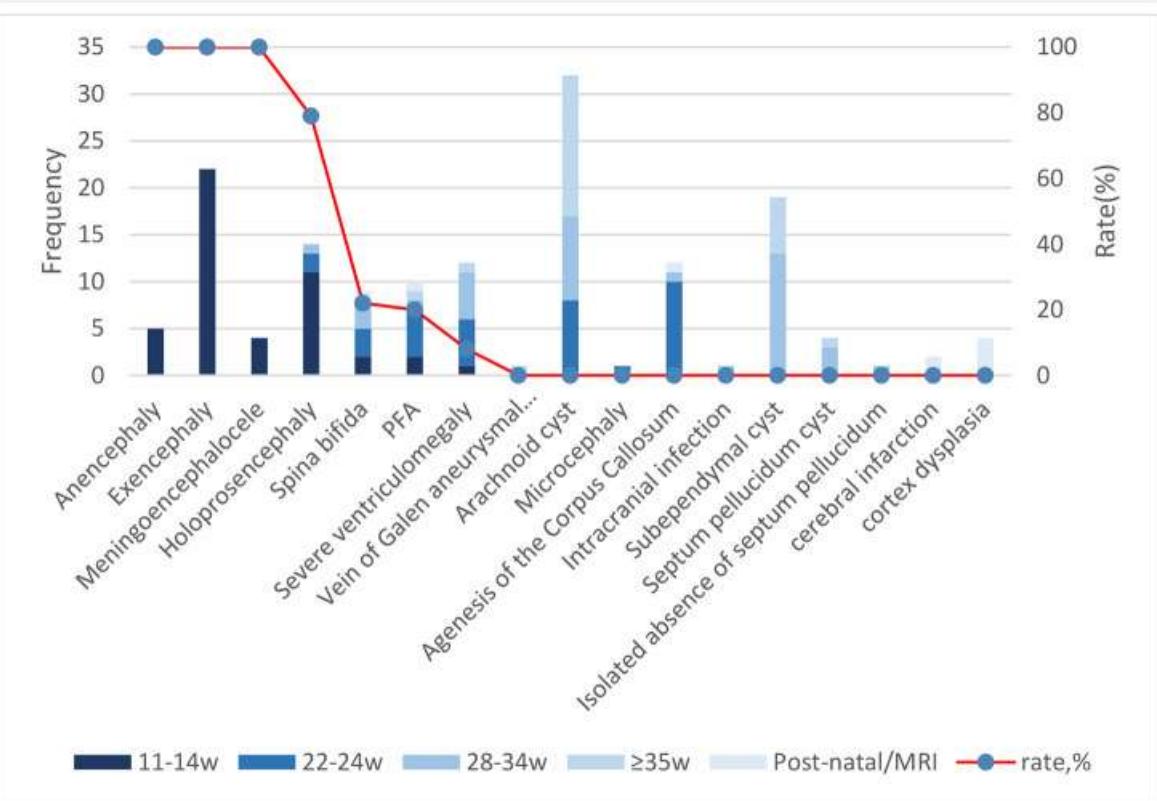
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# Diagnóstico de anomalías del SNC

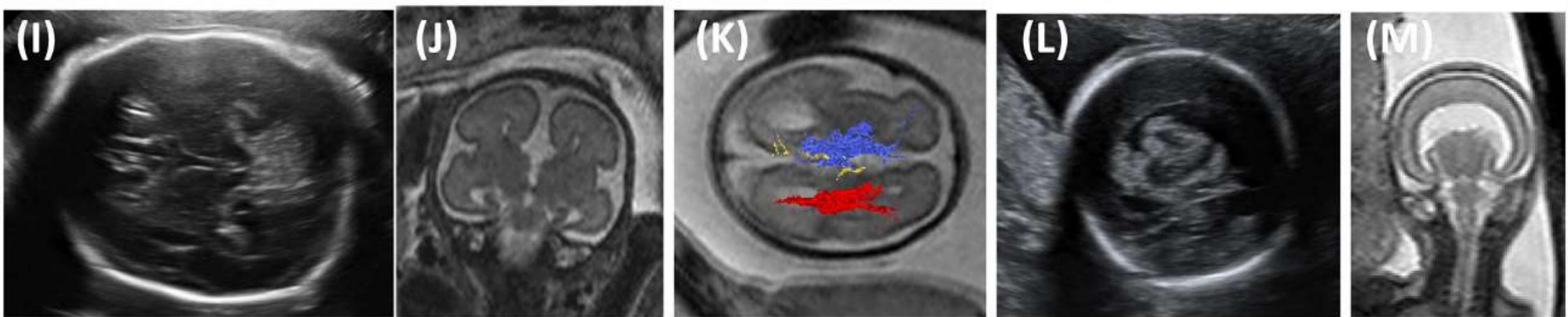
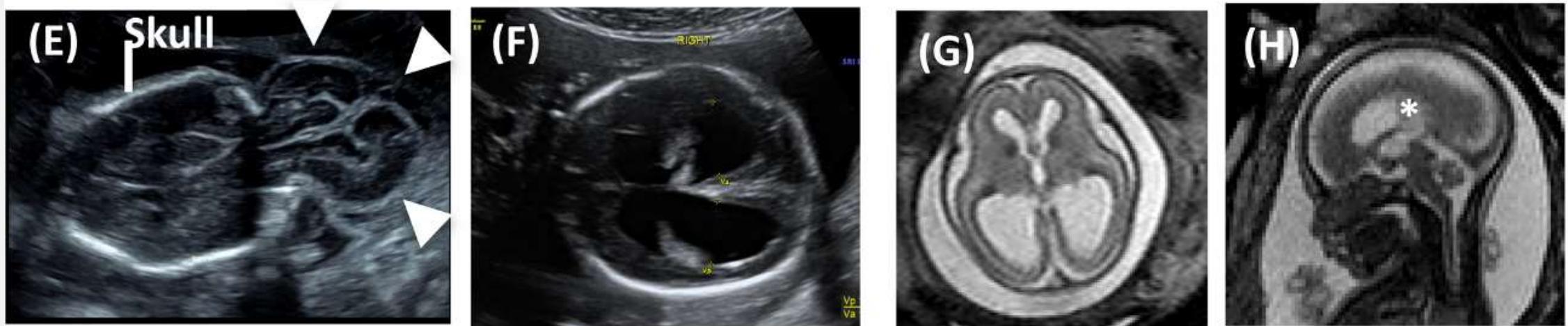
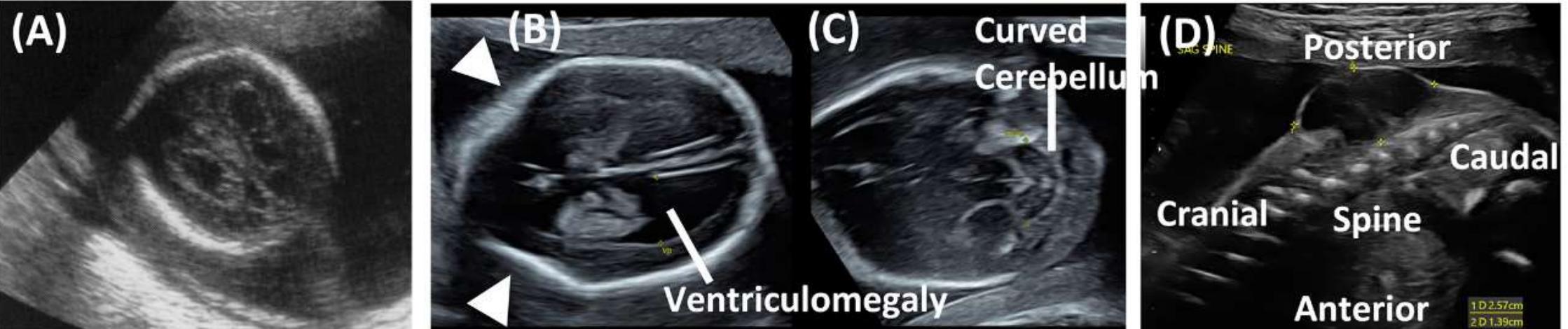
The pregnancy outcomes of the cases with CNS anomalies

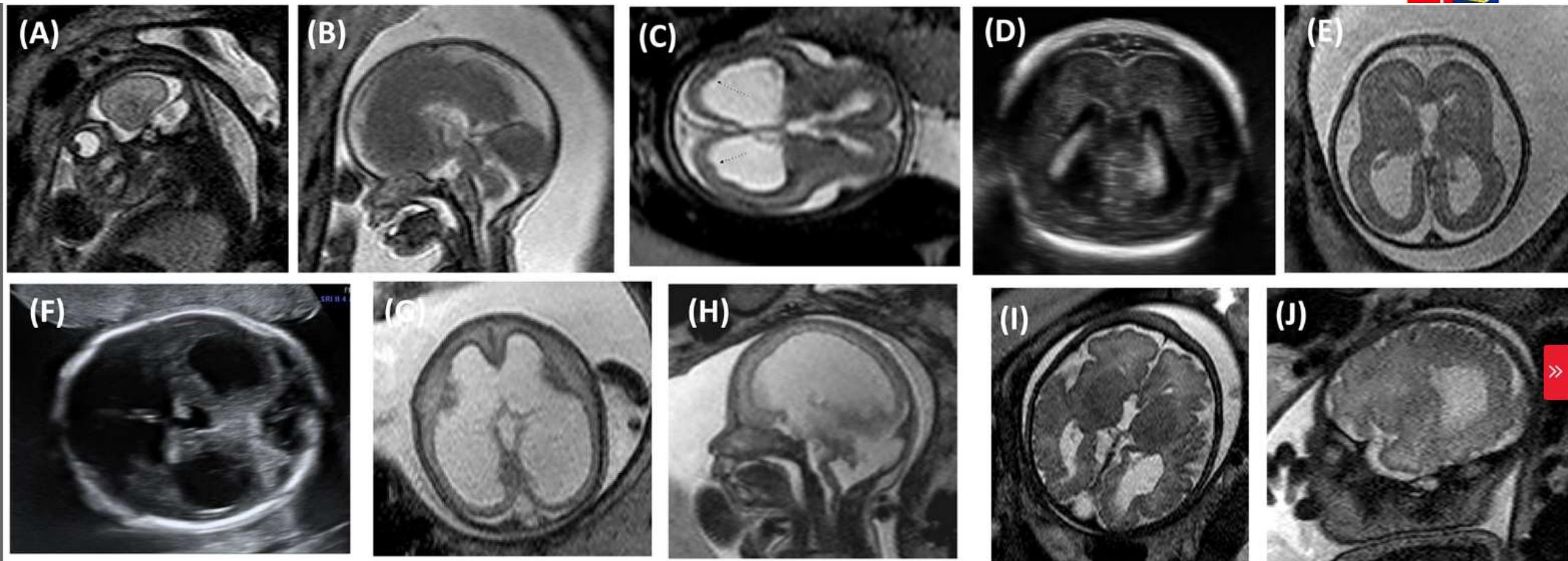
Gestational age of diagnosed or suspected abnormality	Number of cases with CNS anomalies (detection rate)	Pregnancy outcome		
		TOP	Misc/IUD	LB
1st trimester scan	45(32%)	43(96%)	2(4%)	0
2nd trimester scan	31(22%)	26(84%)	0	5(16%)
3rd trimester scan	35(25%)	5(14%)	0	30(86%)
Late 3rd trimester scan	23(16%)	0	0	23(100%)

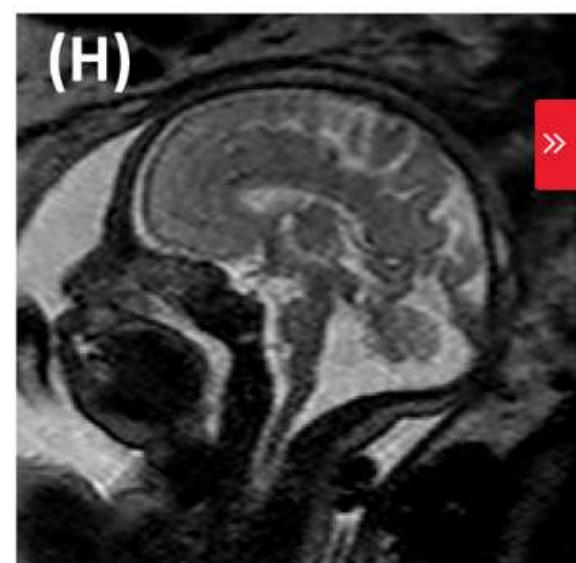
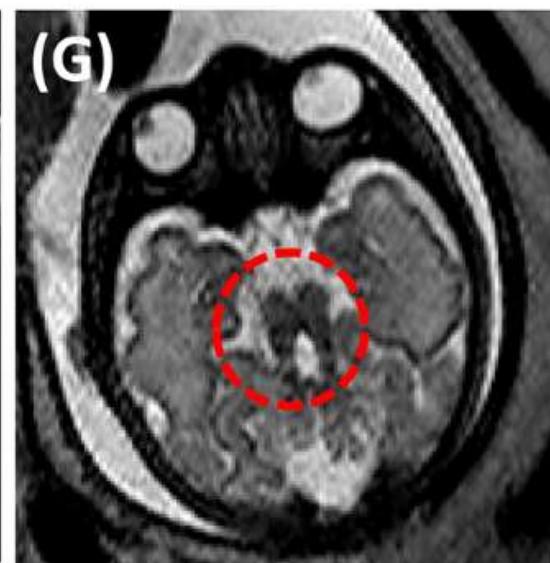
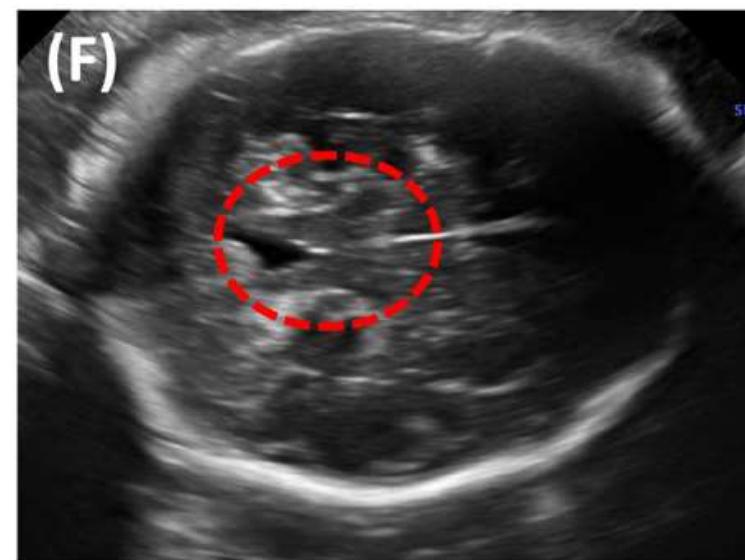
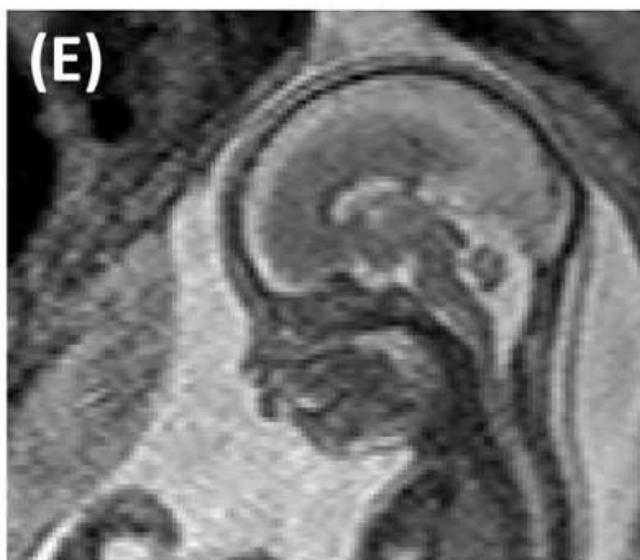
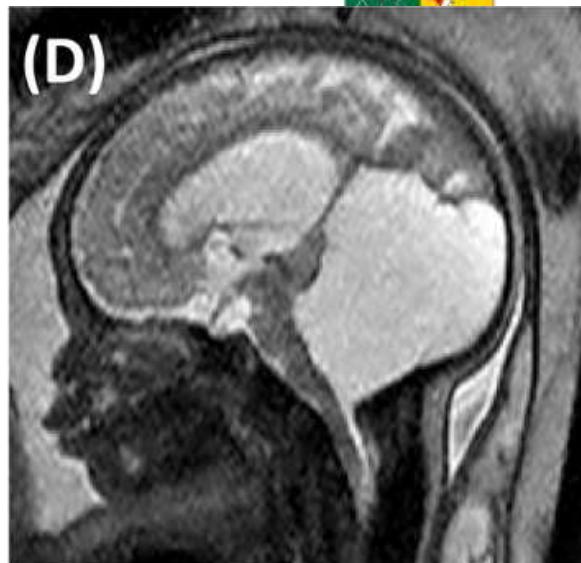
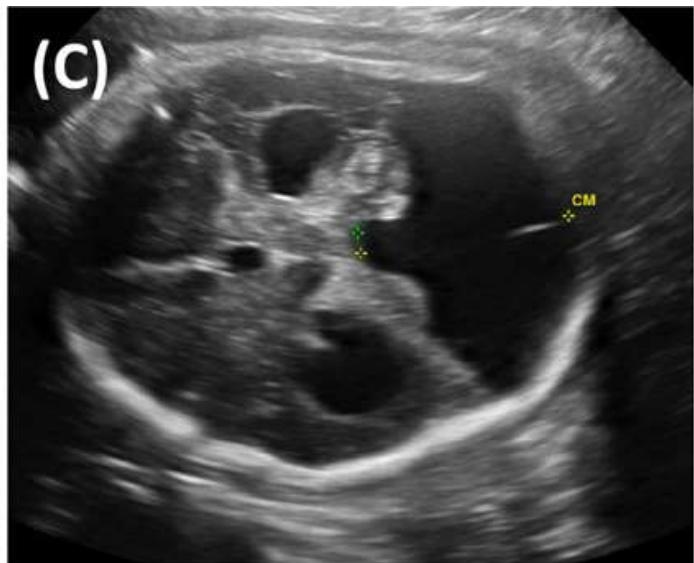
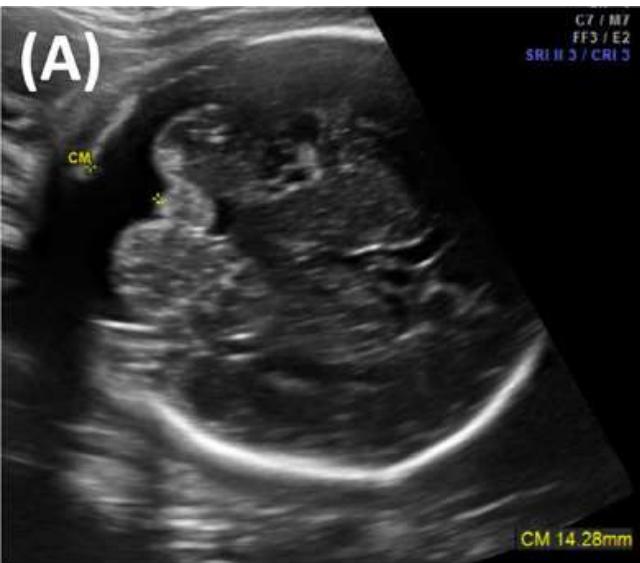


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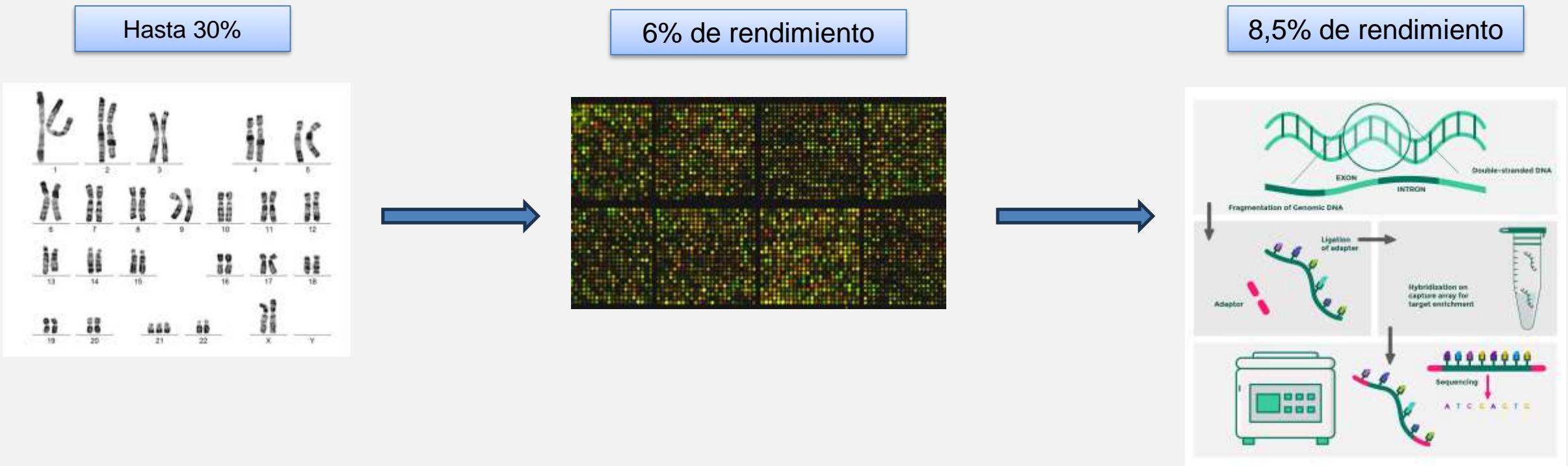




## NORMA TÉCNICA NACIONAL ACOMPAÑAMIENTO Y ATENCIÓN INTEGRAL A LA MUJER QUE SE ENCUENTRA EN ALGUNA DE LAS TRES CAUSALES QUE REGULA LA LEY 21.030

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# Detección de alteraciones genéticas en fetos con anomalías estructurales



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# Cariotipo en anomalías del SNC

Aislada 2.8%

11.3%

Múltiple 16,7%

Otros sistemas 25%

**TABLE 2** | The rates of chromosomal abnormalities in isolated CNS abnormalities and CNS abnormalities with other ultrasound abnormalities.

Classification	Number of fetuses	Number of chromosomal abnormalities	Trisomy 18	Trisomy 21	Trisomy 13	Other chromosome number abnormalities	Structural chromosomal abnormalities	p-values
Isolated CNS abnormalities	318	13 (4.1%)	2	5	1	1	4	-
CNS abnormalities with other ultrasound abnormalities	217	23 (10.6%)	9	3	2	1	8	-
Total	535	36 (6.7%)	11	8	3	2	12	0.003

*p* < 0.05 compared with isolated CNS anomalies and CNS anomalies with other ultrasound abnormalities via  $\chi^2$  test.

CNS, central nervous system.

Karyotyping	Total	Isolated CNS anomalies		n	Non-isolated CNS anomalies
		Single	Multiple		
Number	124	72	12	84	40
Normal karyotype	110	70	10	80	30
Abnormal karyotype (n, %)	14 (11.3)	2 (2.8)	2 (16.7)	4 (4.8)	10 (25.0)
$\chi^2$		4.375			11.081
P		0.036			0.001

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# Rendimiento de CMA por sobre Cariotipo

**TABLE 5 |** The rates of Pathogenic CNVs in isolated CNS abnormalities and CNS abnormalities with other ultrasound abnormalities.

Classification	Number of fetuses	Number of fetuses with abnormal CNVs	P CNVs	VUS CNVs	p-values
Isolated CNS abnormalities	318	26	8 (2.5%)	18 (5.7%)	-
CNS abnormalities with other ultrasound abnormalities	217	15	10 (4.6%)	5 (2.3%)	-
Total	535	41	18 (3.4%)	23 (4.5%)	0.187

*p > 0.05 compared with isolated CNS anomalies and CNS anomalies with other ultrasound abnormalities via  $\chi^2$  test.*

CNS, Central Nervous System; P, pathogenic; CNVs, copy number variations; VUS, uncertain clinical significance.

SNParray

CNV-seq	Total	Isolated CNS anomalies			Non-isolated CNS anomalies
		Single	Multiple	n	
Number	73	43	10	53	20
Normal	60	39	8	47	13
CNVs (n, %)	13 (17.8)	4 (9.3)	2 (20.0)	6 (11.3)	7 (35.0)
P/LP CNVs (n, %)	8 (11.0)	1 (2.3)	1 (10.0)	2 (3.8)	6 (30.0)
VUS (n, %)	5 (6.8)	3 (7.0)	1 (10.0)	4 (7.5)	1 (5.0)
Additional CNVs (n, %)	8 (11.0)	4 (9.3)	1 (10.0)	5 (9.4)	3 (15.0)
$\chi^2$		0.925		5.562	
P		0.336		0.018	

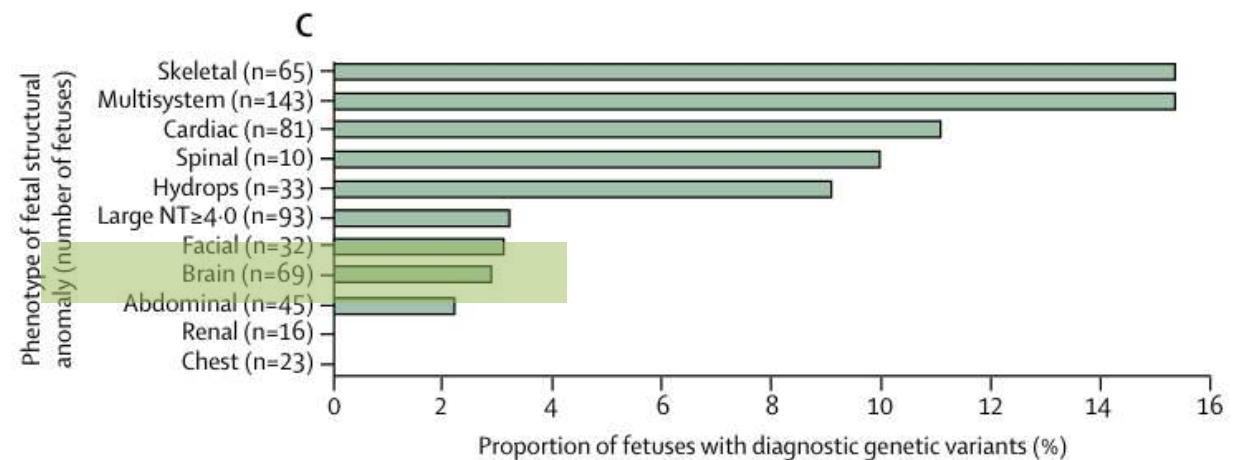
CNV-seq

# Rendimiento de exoma por sobre CMA

	Number of fetuses*	Diagnostic genetic variants (% trios)	Bioinformatic signatures (% trios)	Number of bioinformatic signatures that are also a diagnostic variant†
Heart	77 (49)	4 (5%)	17 (22%)	4 (24%)
Nuchal	51 (32)	6 (12%)	10 (20%)	4 (40%)
Central nervous system	49 (29)	11 (22%)	16 (33%)	9 (56%)
Skeletal	34 (12)	8 (24%)	8 (24%)	6 (75%)
Intrauterine growth restriction	29 (5)	3 (10%)	5 (17%)	3 (60%)
Renal	25 (13)	4 (16%)	6 (24%)	1 (17%)
Lymphatic or effusion	21 (5)	5 (24%)	3 (14%)	2 (67%)
Other isolated anomalies‡	15 (15)	0	0	..

Fetuses with several anomalies are counted several times. \*Number in brackets is the number of fetuses with a single structural anomaly in this anatomical system. †Frequencies reflect the proportion of diagnostic genetic variants that overlapped with a bioinformatic signature. ‡Abdominal wall (n=3), face (n=3), gastrointestinal tract (n=6), spine (n=1), and thorax (n=2).

Table 2: Distribution of diagnostic genetic variants and bioinformatic signatures across the anatomical systems of unselected fetuses with structural anomalies



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# Fetal central nervous system anomalies: When should we offer exome sequencing?



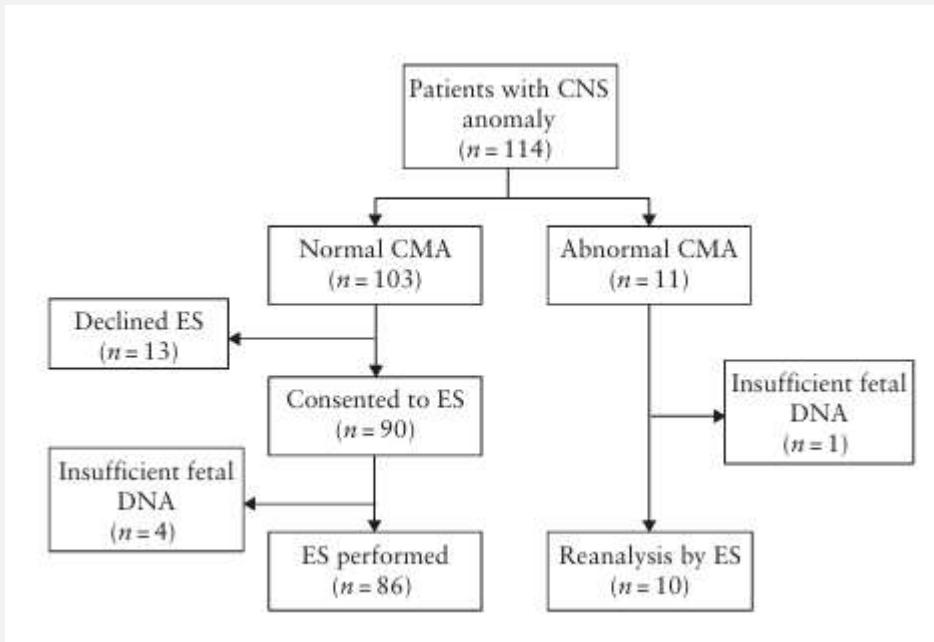
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TABLE 1 Rates of likely pathogenic variants on exome sequencing (ES) in fetuses with central nervous system (CNS) anomalies and the genes involved

	N	LP/p finding on ES (%)	Genes involved
Isolated, single CNS anomaly	97	7 (7.2)	
Mild ventriculomegaly	23	3 (13.0)	CHD7 <sup>a</sup> , B3GLCT <sup>a</sup> , ARID1A
Moderate ventriculomegaly	15		
Severe ventriculomegaly	18	1 (5.6)	KIDINS220
Unknown severity of ventriculomegaly	8		
Agenesis of the corpus callosum	10	3 (30.0)	L1CAM <sup>a</sup> , SHH, PTCH1
Cerebellar hypoplasia	2		
Dandy walker	5		
Encephalocele	3		
Holoprosencephaly	6		
Parenchymal defect	1		
Intracranial hemorrhage	1		
Other	5		
Multiple CNS anomalies	63	12 (19.0)	FLNA <sup>a</sup> , C5ORF42, CHD7 <sup>a</sup> , GPSM2, TUBB3, ARMC9, RAC1, OCRL, TUBA1A, ASPM, TUBB <sup>a</sup> , PIK3R2
Anomalies in multiple organ systems including CNS	108	18 (16.7)	TSC2 <sup>a</sup> , TMEM67 <sup>a</sup> , SCN2A <sup>a</sup> , COL4A1 <sup>a</sup> , CE0, CC2D2A, FLVCR2 <sup>a</sup> , FGFR2, PORCN, CPT2, TCTN2 <sup>a</sup> , TMEM67 <sup>a</sup> , PEX1, ISPD, CHD7, CDKN1C <sup>a</sup> , RAB23 <sup>a</sup> , TCTN3

- 30% de fetos con agenesia del cuerpo calloso presentaron una variante patogénica
- En alteración aislada del SNC el rendimiento fue de 7,2%
- Múltiples malformaciones del SNC 19%
- Otros sistemas comprometidos 16,7%

# ¿WES en lugar de CMA?



Clinical category	CMA	ES
Multisystem	5/40 (13)	14/32 (44)
Complex brain	5/32 (16)	14/24 (58)
MCD	0/11 (0)	3/9 (33)
Brain damage	0/14 (0)	3/9 (33)
Subependymal/arachnoid cysts	0/5 (0)	1/4 (25)
Midline anomaly	0/4 (0)	2/3 (67)
MBHB	1/6 (17)	0/3 (0)
Neural tube defect	0/2 (0)	1/2 (50)
Total	11/114 (10)	38/86 (44)

Data are given as *n/N (%)*. MBHB, midbrain–hindbrain malformation; MCD, malformation of cortical development.

44% DE RENDIMIENTO EN COMPARACIÓN CON CMA

# Problemas comunes

## Ventriculomegalia

Leve

1,5 a 5% asociadas a infecciones

Moderada

18% severas con otras alteraciones estructurales

Severa

- VM leve y moderada
- Anomalías detectadas en cariograma 9%
- Leve 9%; Severa 5%
- Aislada 3%, no aislada 13%
- Incremento diagnóstico de CMA 12%
- Exoma en VM severa
- Incremento diagnóstico 45%
- Aislada 35%; No Aislada 54%

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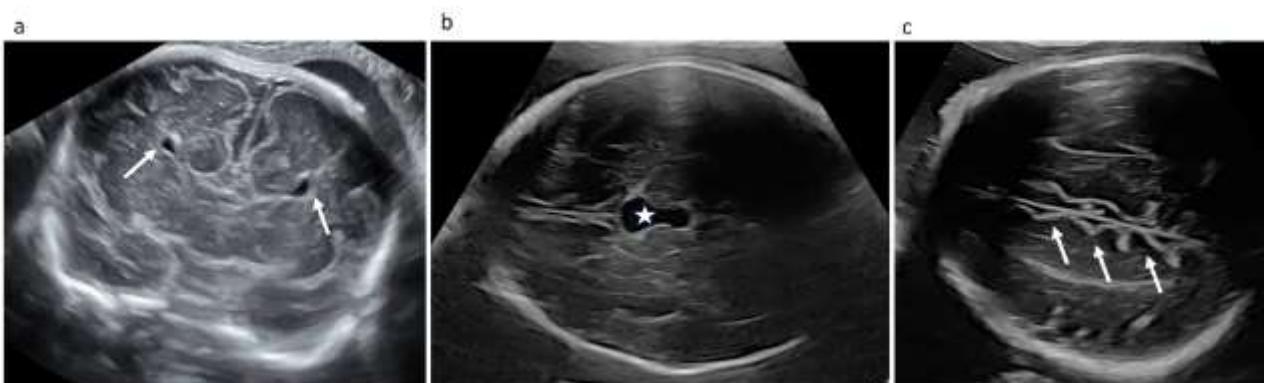
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# Problemas comunes

## Agenesia del Cuerpo Calloso

- Anomalía cerebral congénita más común hasta 1,8 por 10.000
- 60% de los casos la ACC total o parcial será concomitante a otras malformaciones del SNC
- En casos con agenesia completa del CC aislada
- Cariograma anormal 4,8%
- Rendimiento del CMA 5,74%



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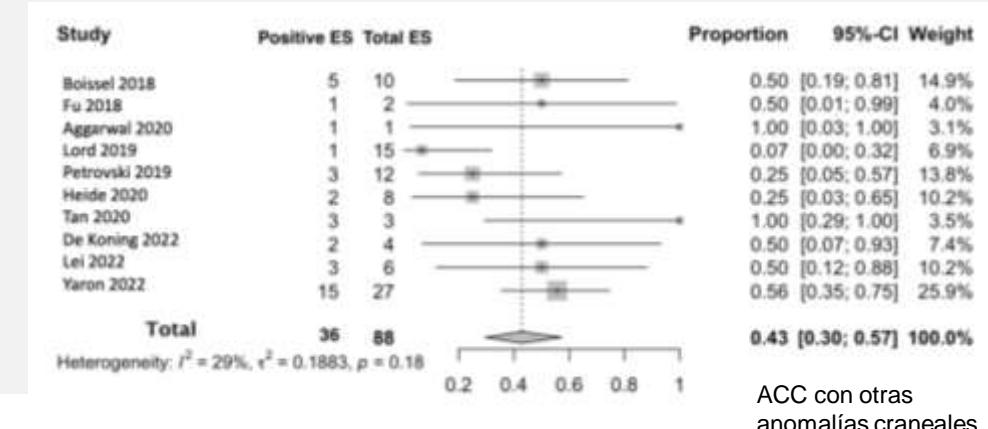
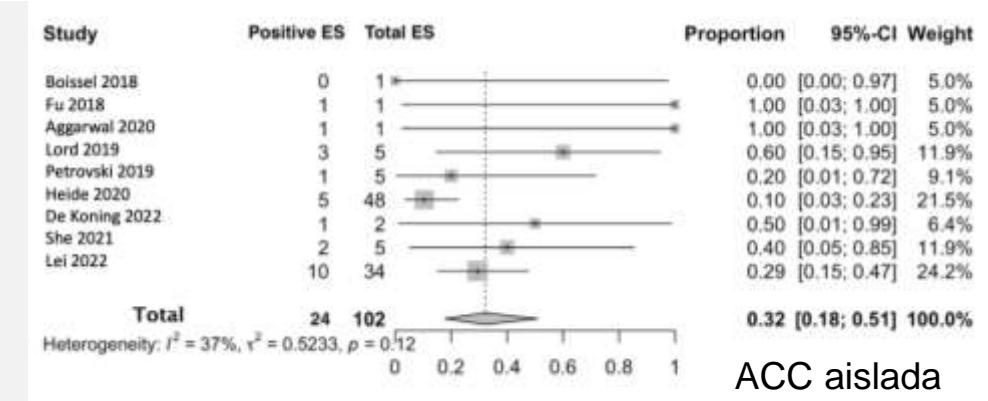
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# Problemas comunes

## Agenesia del Cuerpo Calloso

- El rendimiento diagnóstico de WES tanto en agenesia aislada como asociada a otras malformaciones confiere un rendimiento diagnóstico alto

Group	Studies (n)	P/LP (n)	ACC cases (n)	PP (95% CI) (%)	$I^2$ (%)
All ACC*	15	100	268	43 (31–56)	64
Isolated ACC†	9	24	102	32 (18–51)	37
ACC with other cranial anomalies	10	36	88	43 (30–57)	29
ACC with extracranial anomalies	12	35	66	55 (35–73)	41



ACC con otras  
anomalías craneales

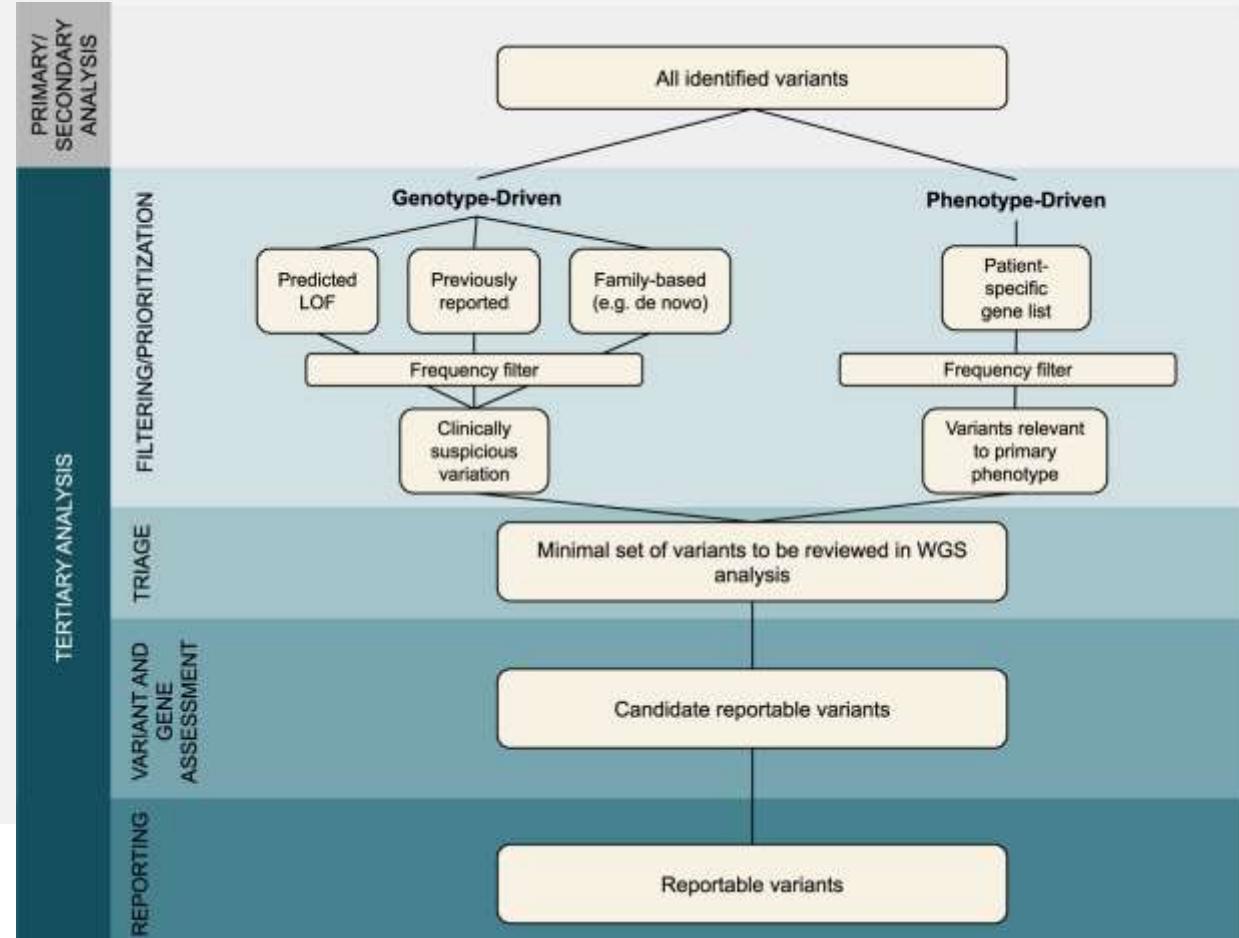
# Importancia del Fenotipo



The screenshot shows the HPO search interface. A search bar at the top contains the term "ventriculom". Below it, a message says "Showing best results. See all results for 'ventriculom'".

**Phenotypes - 5 of 5 displayed**

- HP:0002119 **Ventriculomegaly**
- HP:0010952 Mild fetal **ventriculomegaly**
- HP:0034214 Fetal intraventricular hemorrhage without ...



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# Conclusiones y recomendaciones

- 2-3% de fetos presentan anomalías estructurales
- Contribuyen al 12% de los ingresos a unidades pediátricas y al 50% de la mortalidad neonatal e infantil
- Las anomalías del Sistema nervioso central tienen una prevalencia de 9,5 por 10.000 partos
- Un 25% se encuentra asociado a alguna alteración genética
- El diagnóstico precoz es esencial para entregar una adecuada consejería
- Entre un 7 a 11% presentarán alteraciones cromosómicas numéricas o estructurales identificables en el cariograma convencional
- El rendimiento del CMA para detectar CNVs patológicas (o probablemente patológicas) es mayor cuando hay más de una anomalía del SNC o se encuentran otros sistemas comprometidos
- WES puede mejorar el rendimiento diagnóstico en 7,2% por sobre CMA, pero hasta 19% cuando existen múltiples malformaciones del SNC

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- Si bien el rendimiento del cariograma convencional es menor que en malformaciones de otros sistemas, este aumenta cuando se trata de malformaciones múltiples, aunque siempre debe ser la primera aproximación para el estudio genético
- Parece razonable, sobretodo en malformaciones múltiples o agenesia de CC aislada continuar con WES por sobre CMA

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