

We all have mutations

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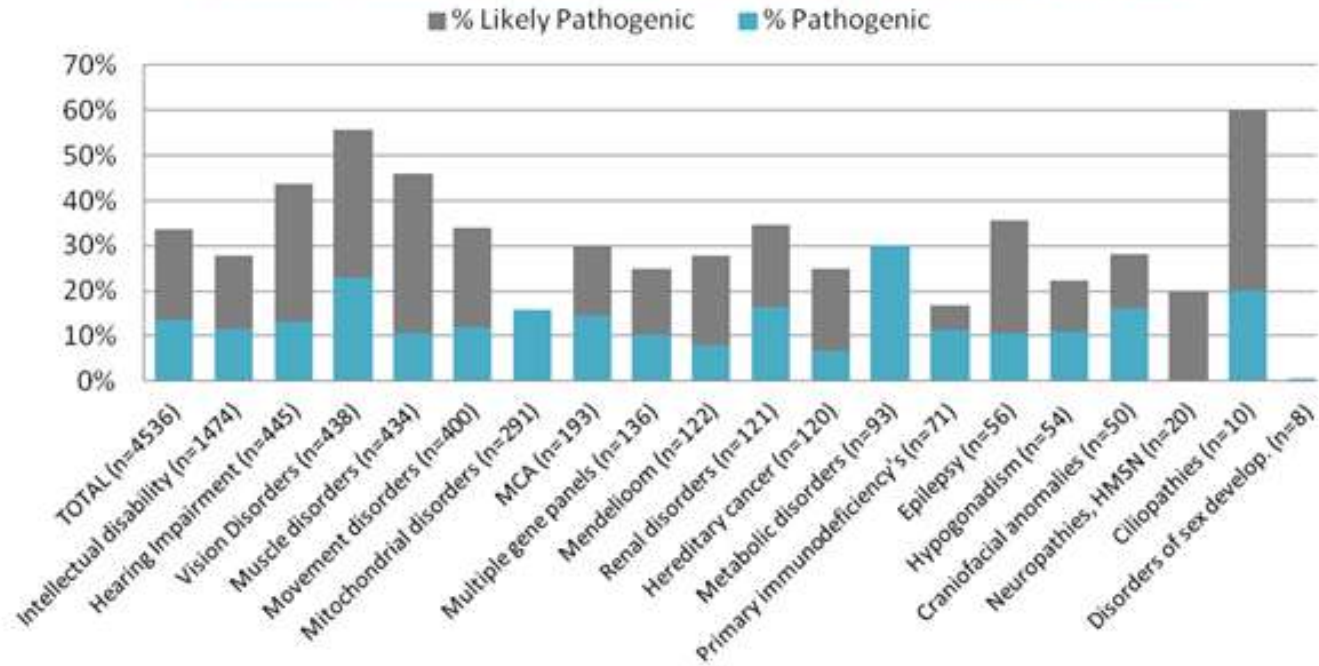
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Diagnostic yield of diagnostic exome sequencing per disease gene panel



An inconvenient truth

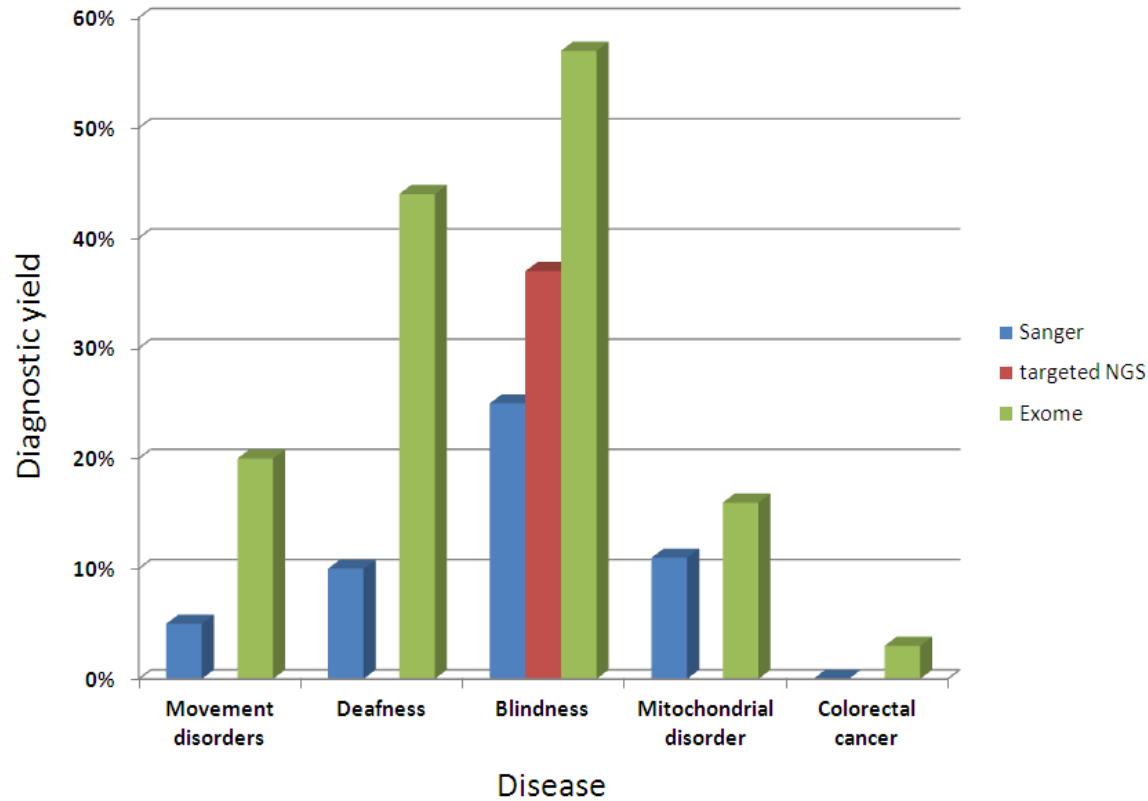
The hit rate of diagnostic exome sequencing
(including CNVs)

Clearly Exceeds

The current diagnostic standard of clinician driven
investigation



Targeted analysis across 5 diagnostic groups



Compare with clinical diagnostic practice 2011

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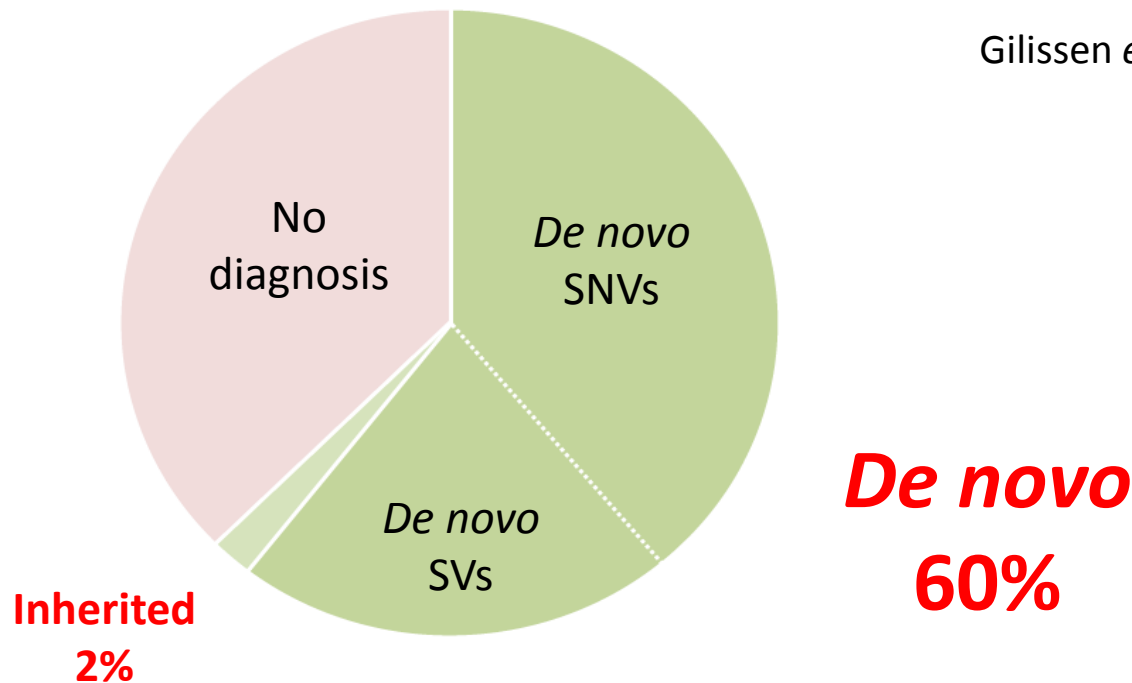


>60% of Intellectual disability is by *de novo* gene mutations

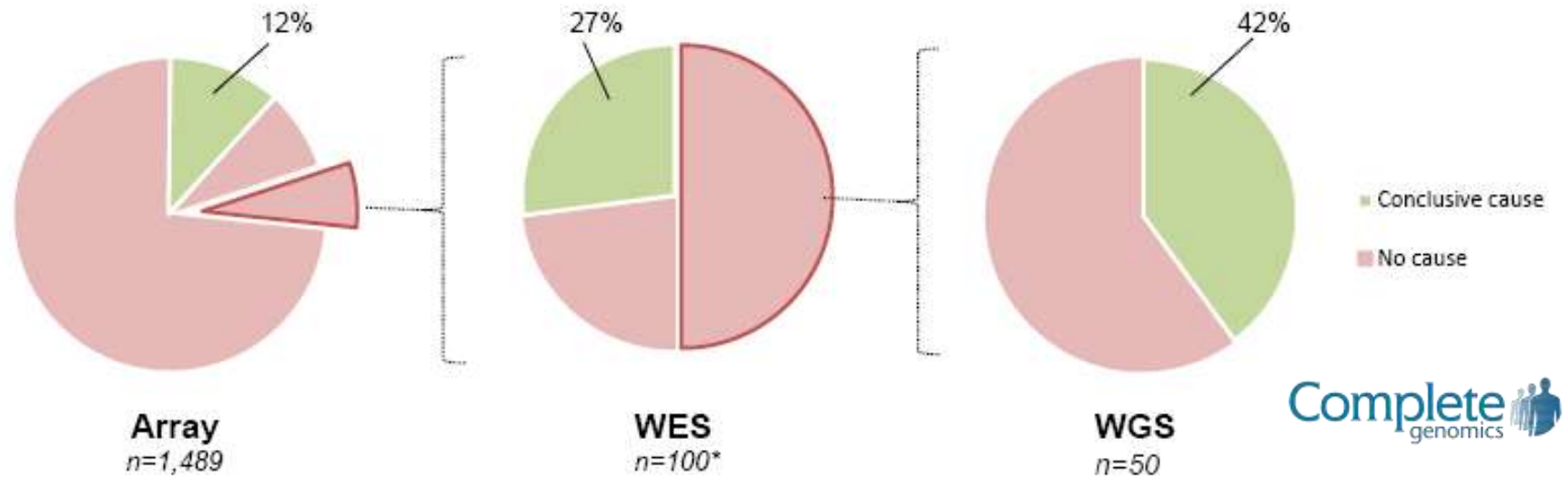
~1000 / 20.000 genes (5%) are **crucial** for the brain



Gilissen *et al.* Nature, 17 July 2014



New Genetic Technologies Elucidate Intellectual Disability



De Vries et al.
American Journal
Human Genetics 2006

De Ligt et al.
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of Medicine 2012

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***Nothing* non-coding that we understand!**

Majority of *new candidate ID* genes already confirmed

Additional mutations

YY1

DYNC1H1

DEAF1

CIC

TANC2

TNPO2

PHACTR

MTF1

GATAD2B

CTNNB1

PROX2

LRP1

RAPGEF1

DDX3X

No additional mutations

ZMYM6

GRIA1

PHIP

WAC

MIB1

PPP2R5D

KIF5C

COL4A3BP

EEF1A2

MYTL1

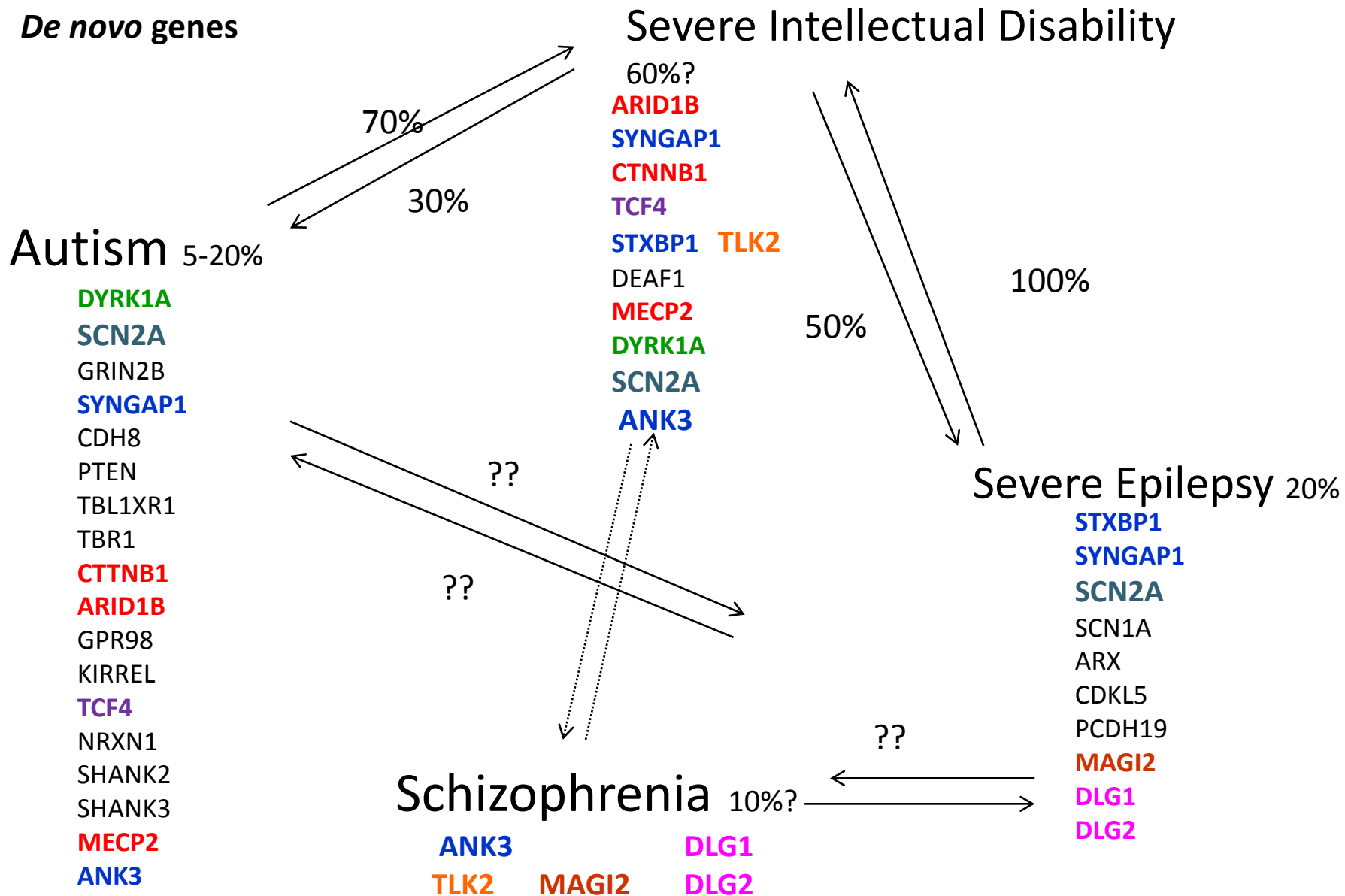
CAMI1KG

ASH1L

PSMA7

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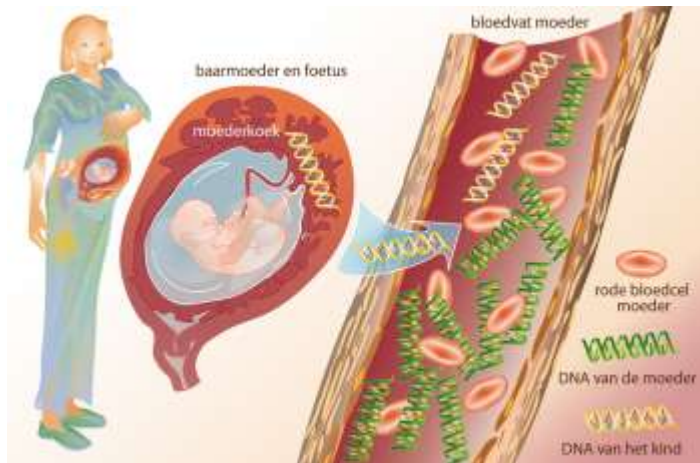
Genes do not respect diagnostic boundaries



An inconvenient truth

We cannot prevent *de novo* mutations

So should we offer prenatal testing to everyone?



Non invasive prenatal testing NIPT

Why offer this for Down syndrome (risk 1/1000)
and not for other forms of ID (risk 5/1000)?



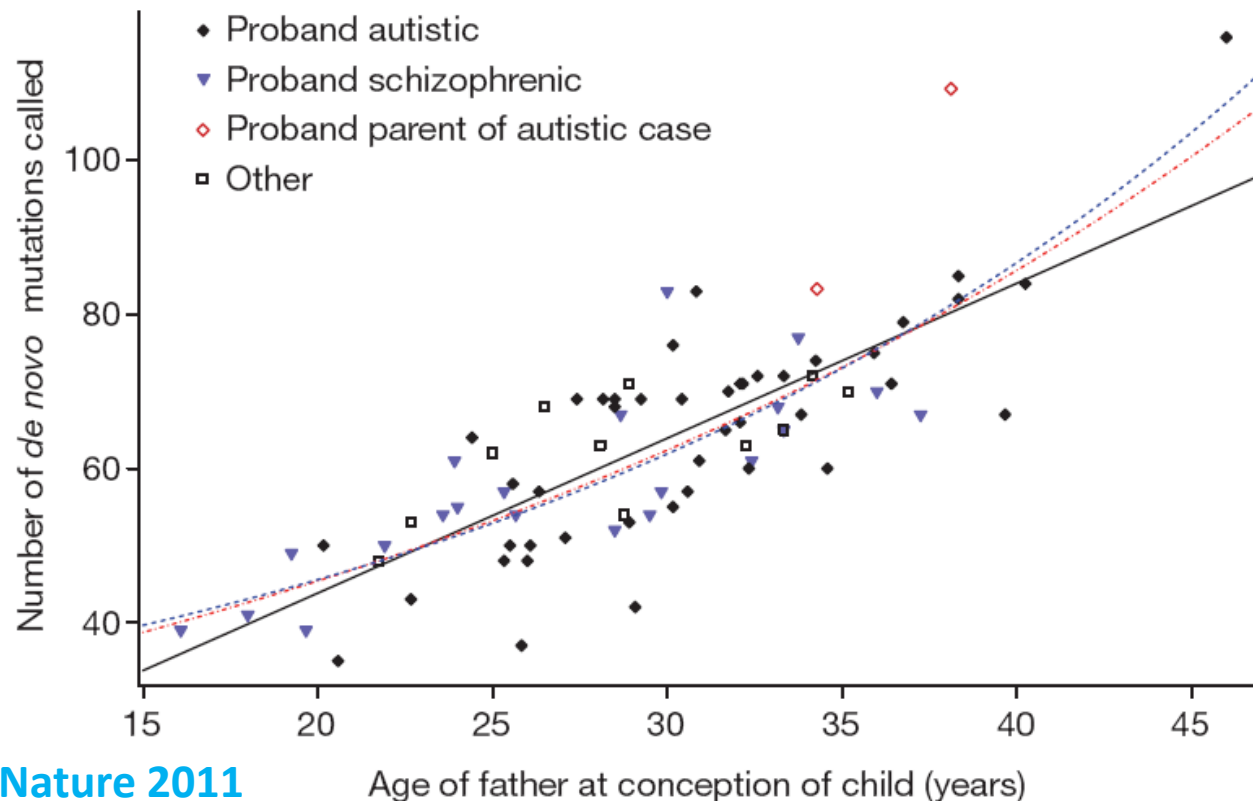
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There is **one known risk factor** for *de novo* mutations



Rate of *de novo* mutations and the importance of father's age to disease risk

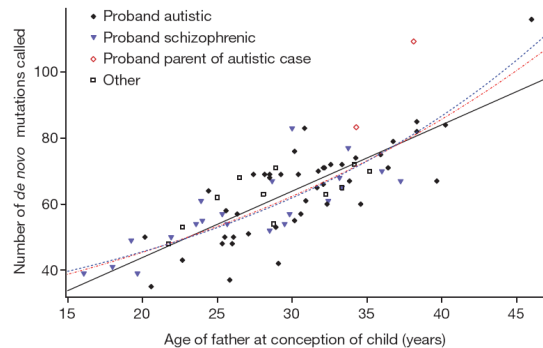
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A question to ponder

- Should we offer prenatal diagnosis to everyone?
- Should boys freeze their sperm at 17?



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