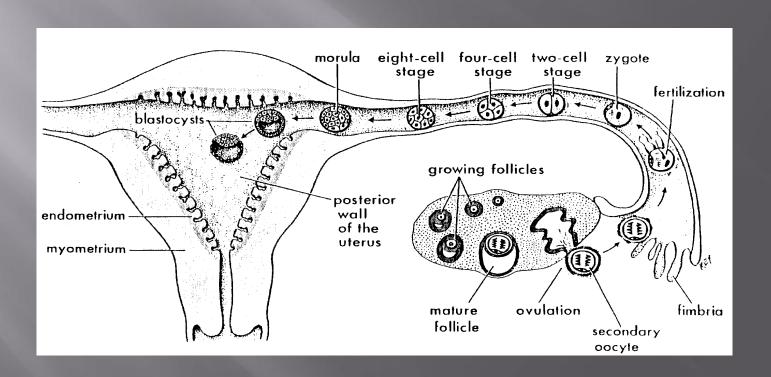
## BISPHENOL A AND REPRODUCTION

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#### Periconceptual Exposures: Development Begins at Fertilization





#### Human exposure



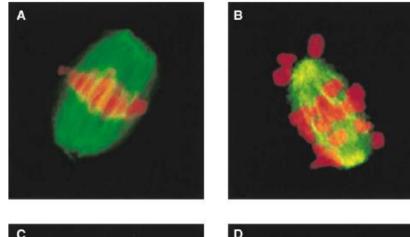
- Dietary intake
  - Plastic bottles (including baby bottles) & metalbased food & beverage cans
  - Cardboard Cartons
- Environment
  - Air, dust & water
  - Possible source
- Dental sealant
  - Short-term exposure
- Thermal receipts and paper \$\$
- Low levels of human exposure to BPA
  - Standardized toxicity tests

# Bisphenol A Exposure Causes Meiotic Aneuploidy in the Female Mouse

- In the course of meiotic studies of mouse oocytes in 1998, a sudden and dramatic increase in oocytes exhibiting gross disturbances in chromosomal alignment on the meiotic spindle (Congressional Failure)
- Typically, 1-2% of murine oocytes exhibit congressional failure at metaphase I
- In experiments conducted in August 1998, 40% of control oocytes exhibited congressional failure

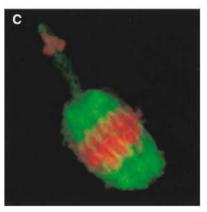
#### Normal and Abnormal Metaphase Configurations

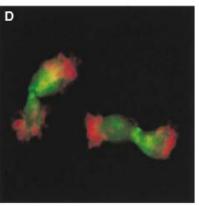
A. Normal MII Configuration



B. Congressional Failure in MII Oocyte

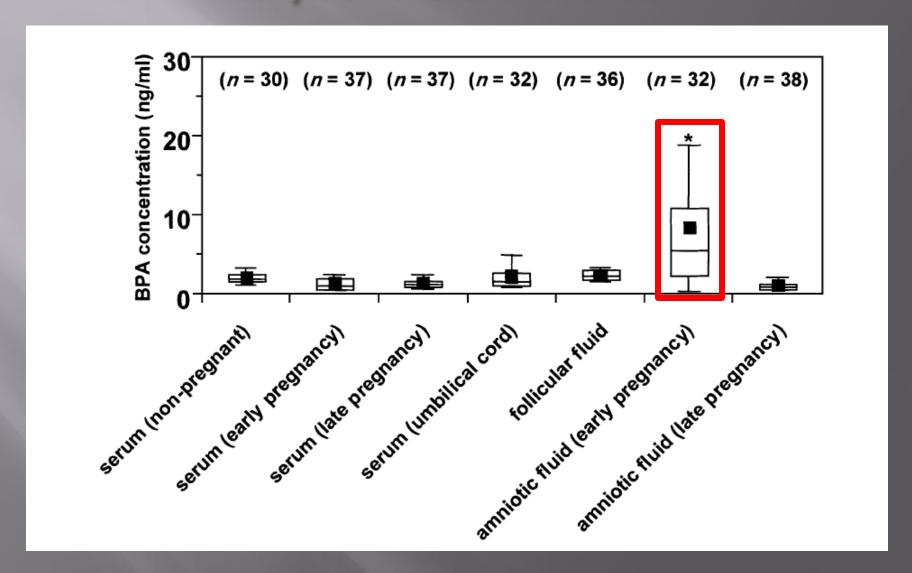
C. MI with chromosomes ejected from spindle





D. A cell that should be undergoing Meiosis I but two groups of chromosomes seen

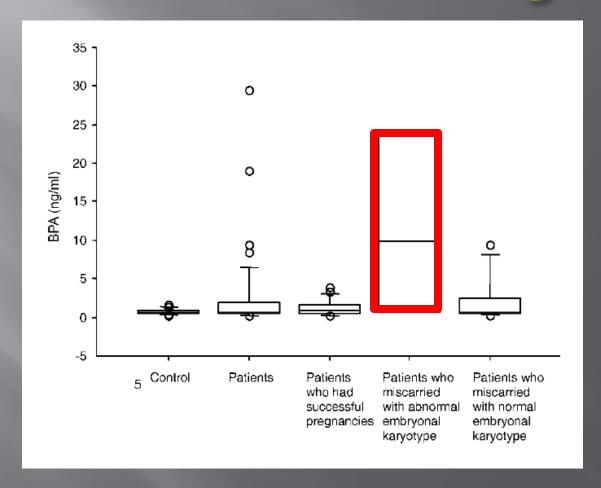
#### Bisphenol A levels in various Reproductive Fluids



### Bisphenol A exposure and Recurrent Miscarriage

	Patients $(n = 45)$	Controls $(n = 32)$	P-values
Age (years) No. of previous miscarriages	$31.6 \pm 4.4$ $4.0 \pm 1.7 0$	$32.0 \pm 4.8$	NS
BMI	$20.9 \pm 2.7$	$20.81 \pm 2.25$	NS
Place of residence Occupation	Nagoya	Nagoya	
	Housewives 20	Medical co-workers	
	Office workers 17		
	Teacher 3		
	Medical co-workers 3		
	Gardener 1		
	Worker in industry 1		
Bisphenol A			
Mean (SD)	$2.59 \pm 5.23$	$0.77 \pm 0.38$	0.024
Range	0.22-29.43	0.20 - 1.58	
Median	0.71	0.705	
Quartiles	1.403	0.415	
Values are means ± BMI = body mass in	2		

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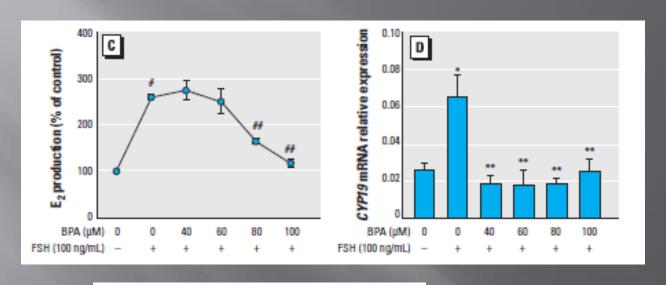
#### Bisphenol A exposure and number of oocytes retrieved during IVF

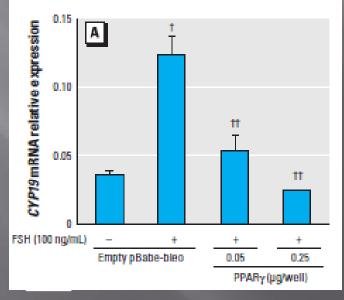
**Table 5** Poisson model for the association of urinary BPA concentrations with number of oocytes retrieved, after adjusting for age, BMI and day 3 FSH levels and accounting for multiple IVF cycles

Variable	Incidence Rate Ratio	95% Confidence Interval	<i>p</i> -value
Ln(SG-BPA)	0.88	(0.77, 0.96)	0.007
Age	0.99	(0.96, 1.01)	0.34
BMI	1.00	(0.98, 1.02)	0.92
Day 3 FSH	0.91	(0.86, 0.95)	<0.0001

Ln, natural logarithm; SG-BPA, specific gravity-adjusted bisphenol A; FSH, follicle-stimulating hormone; IVF, in vitro fertilization; BMI, body mass index.

#### Bisphenol A and Inhibition of Aromatase Activity in Human Granulosa Cell Line





Kwintkiewicz et al, Environ Health Perspect 118:400-406, 2010

# BISPHENOL A AND PERICONCEPTUAL EXPOSURES

These background studies prompted Dr.
Bloom and I to incorporate bisphenol A as an environmental contaminant of interest into our SMART (Study of Heavy Metals in Assisted Reproductive Techologies) study