

What can I learn from the Harmony test?

How does Harmony differ from other Down syndrome screening tests?

What are the advantages of using Harmony rather than traditional tests?

Do you offer the Harmony test in your practice or through a laboratory?

How can I find out how much the Harmony test costs?

When and how will you notify me of the Harmony test result?



Visit us at **harmonytest.com**, where you can find more questions to ask your doctor about Harmony.

## Three Simple Steps to Clarity



**1.** At 10 weeks or later, you get a simple blood screening test.



**2.** Your blood sample is sent to the Harmony laboratory, where it is analyzed.



**3.** Your results are sent to your healthcare provider in about seven business days.

### Your Results

Harmony is a screening test. It screens for conditions listed in this brochure. As with all screening tests, false-positives and false-negatives may occur.

Once you have your Harmony test results, you can discuss your pregnancy care with your healthcare provider.

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# Clear **ANSWERS** to Questions that Matter



HARMONY PRENATAL TEST is a DNA-based blood screening test for Down syndrome. Harmony is more accurate than traditional tests and can be performed as early as 10 weeks in pregnancy.<sup>1</sup>

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# **CONGRATULATIONS**

on your pregnancy! Now that you are pregnant, supporting your baby's development is your top priority.



## Introduction

During your pregnancy, your healthcare providers will offer various screening tests to help you assess the baby's health.

As part of your care, you will be given the option to screen for Down syndrome, a rare genetic condition that affects physical and mental development.

### **Experts Support Down Syndrome Screening**

Some genetic conditions run in families. Others, like Down syndrome, typically do not. They can happen in any pregnancy.

Although the risk of Down syndrome increases with age, most babies with Down syndrome are born to women under 35 years of age.<sup>2</sup>

The Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists welcomes the news that non-invasive prenatal testing has been recommended for high-risk women on the NHS and states that it reduces unnecessary invasive procedures.<sup>3</sup>

# What is the Harmony Prenatal Test?

When you're pregnant, your blood contains fragments of your baby's DNA.

Harmony Prenatal Test is a new type of screening test that analyzes this DNA in a sample of your blood to assess the risk of Down syndrome (trisomy 21) and two other genetic conditions, trisomy 18 (Edwards syndrome) and trisomy 13 (Patau syndrome).<sup>4</sup>

### For Women of Any Age or Risk Category

Traditional blood tests can miss as many as 20% of Down syndrome cases in pregnant women.<sup>1</sup>

The Harmony Prenatal Test was developed to be a more accurate prenatal Down syndrome screening test for women of any age or risk category. It is a DNA-based blood test that has been extensively tested in both the under 35 and over 35 age groups, studies have included pregnant women ages 18-48 for trisomy 21.<sup>1,5</sup>

### **A More Accurate Screening Test**

Harmony has been demonstrated in a clinical study to be superior to the first trimester screening test for women of any age or risk categories<sup>1</sup>

#### Harmony versus Traditional Down Syndrome Tests<sup>1</sup>

	FALSE-POSITIVE RATE*	DETECTION RATE**
<b>HARMONY</b> Prenatal Test	Less than 1 in 1,600	More than 99 in 100
TRADITIONAL First Trimester Screening***	1 in 20	79 in 100

- \* Reports a high risk for Down syndrome when it is NOT actually present
- \*\* Correctly indicates a high risk for Down syndrome when it IS present
- \*\*\*Serum PAPP-A, total or free ß-hCG & Nuchal Translucency

### **Clarity Early**

Harmony Prenatal Test requires a single blood draw and can be done as early as 10 weeks or later in pregnancy.

Results are usually available in about seven business days. Other commonly used screening tests for Down syndrome are performed later in pregnancy and may require multiple healthcare visits.

### **Minimizes Need for Follow-up Tests**

The greater accuracy and low false-positive rate of Harmony compared to traditional tests may minimize the chance that further testing would be recommended due to a false-positive result. Follow-up testing might include an invasive procedure, such as amniocentesis.

### **Additional Testing Options**

In addition to screening for the risks of trisomy 21 (Down syndrome), trisomy 18 and 13, the following opt-in tests are available during the same blood-draw:

- Fetal Sex
- X and Y chromosome conditions<sup>6</sup>



Contact your healthcare provider for more information related to these tests.