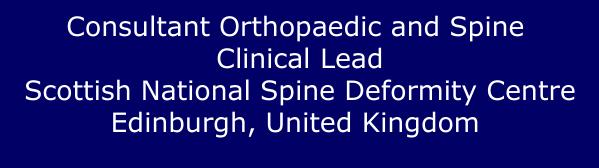
Early short segment fusion is never definitive: yes or not?

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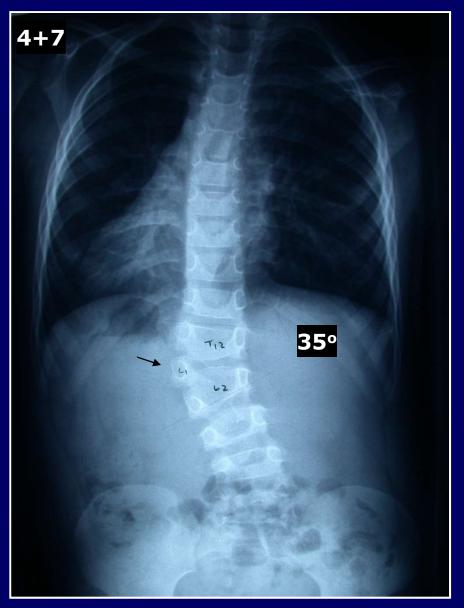


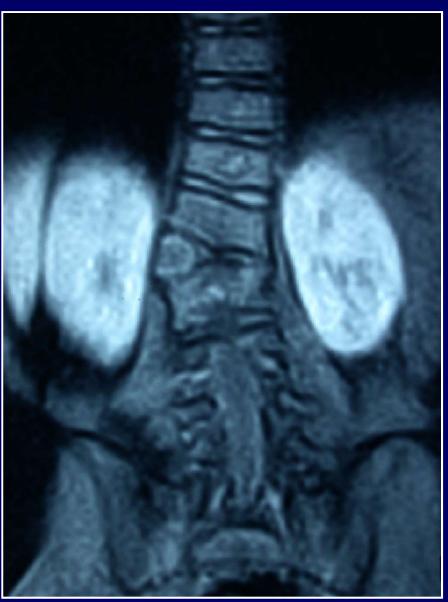


Early fusion may need revision

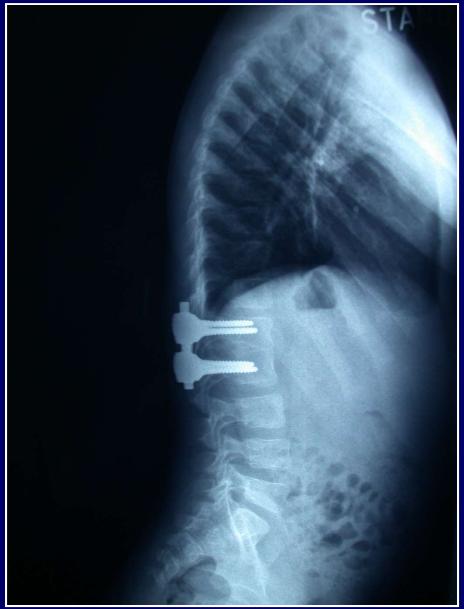
- segmental fusion after hemivertebra resection (add-on levels)
- congenital scoliosis or kyphosis (localised in situ fusion):
 - -non-union (higher risk in kyphosis and above age 5 yrs)
 - -short initial fusion/add-on deformity

Hemivertebra resection

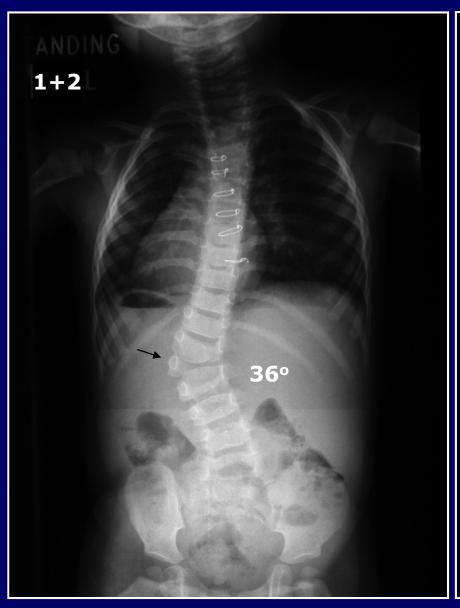


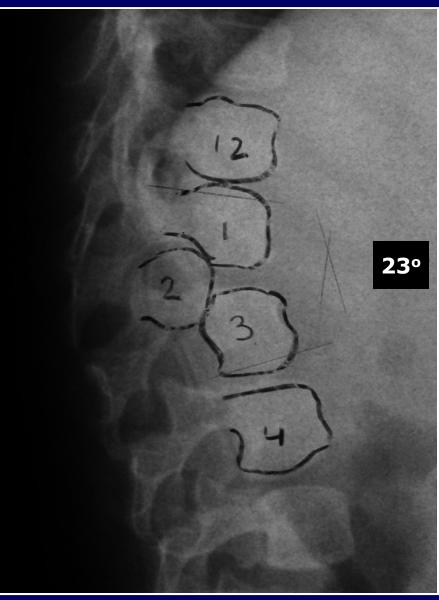






Hemivertebra resection





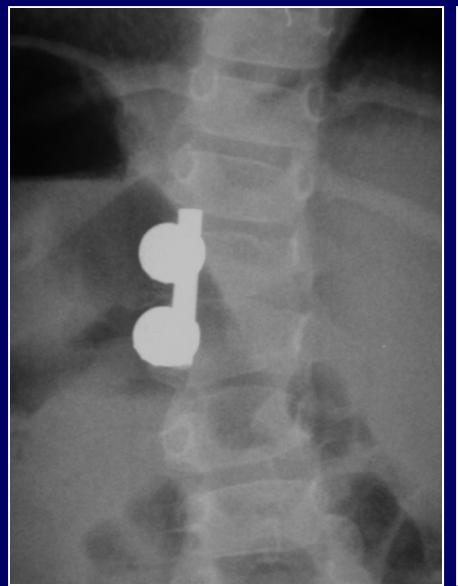


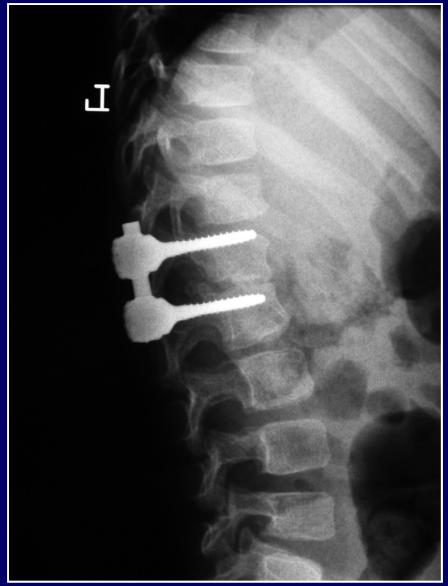










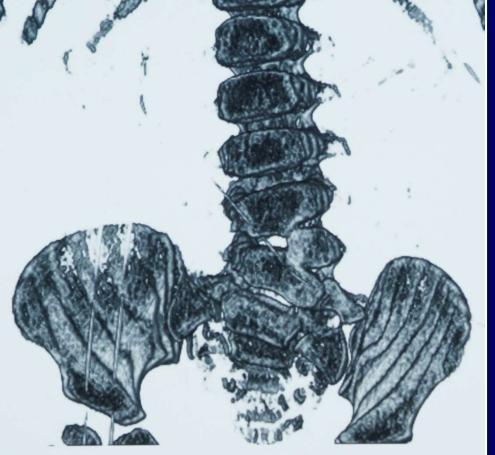


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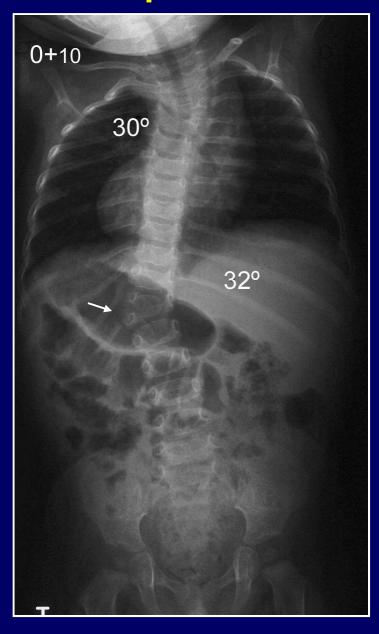


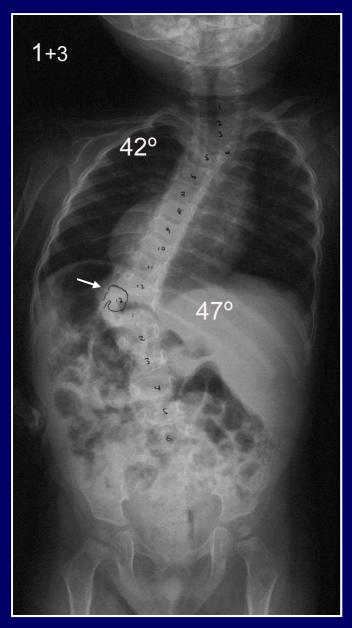


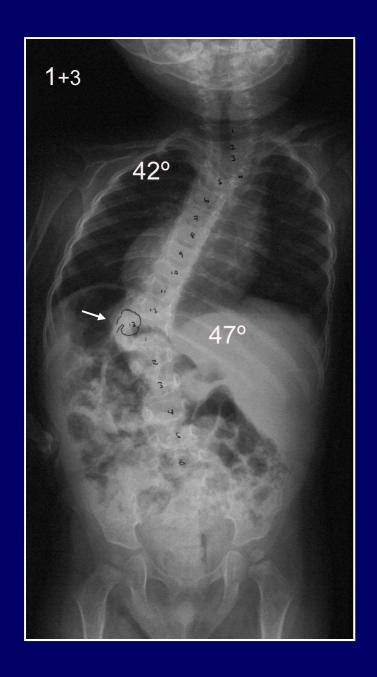




Complex vertebral anomalies





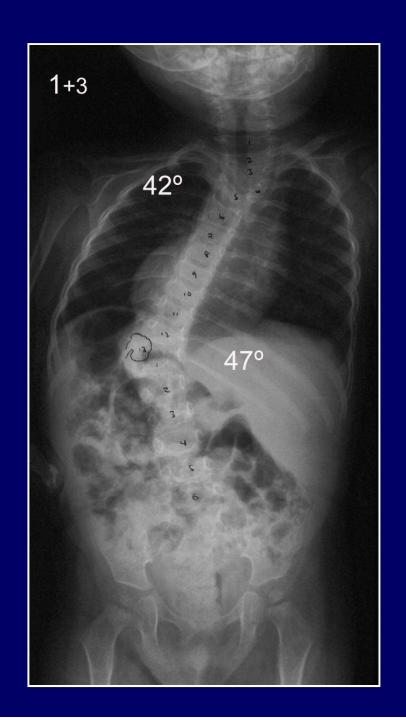


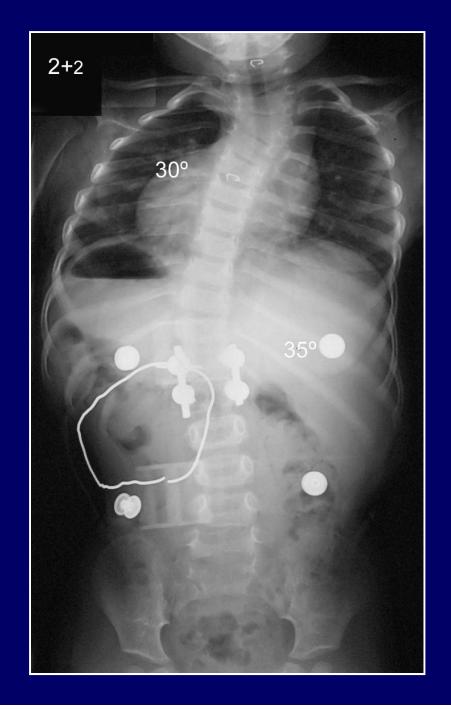






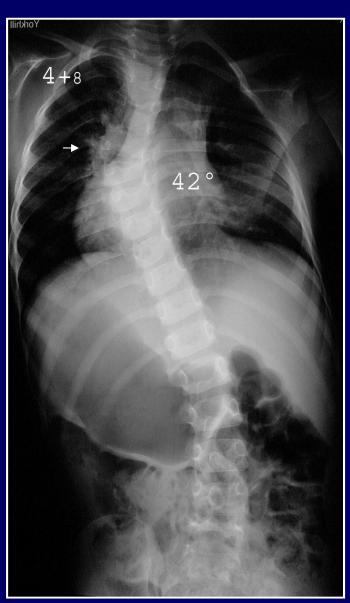






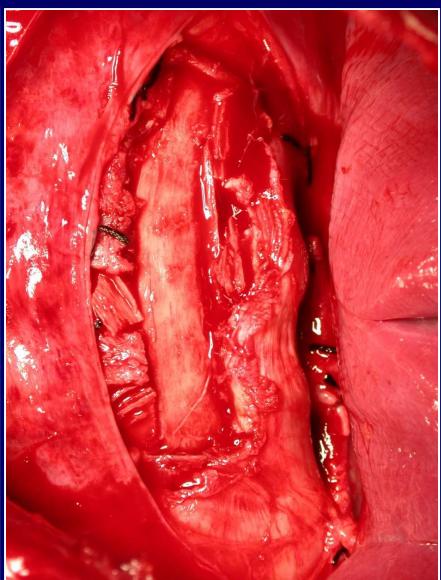
A/P convex growth arrest-GR

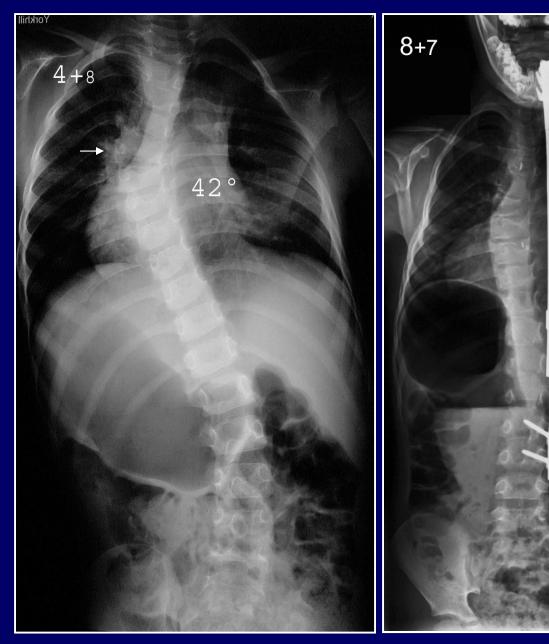


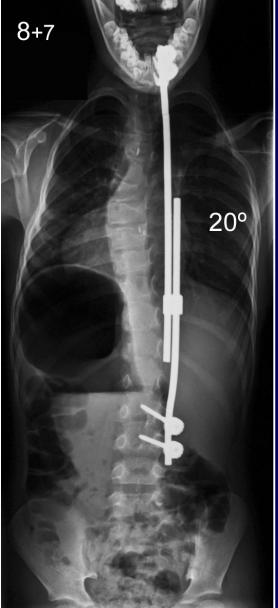










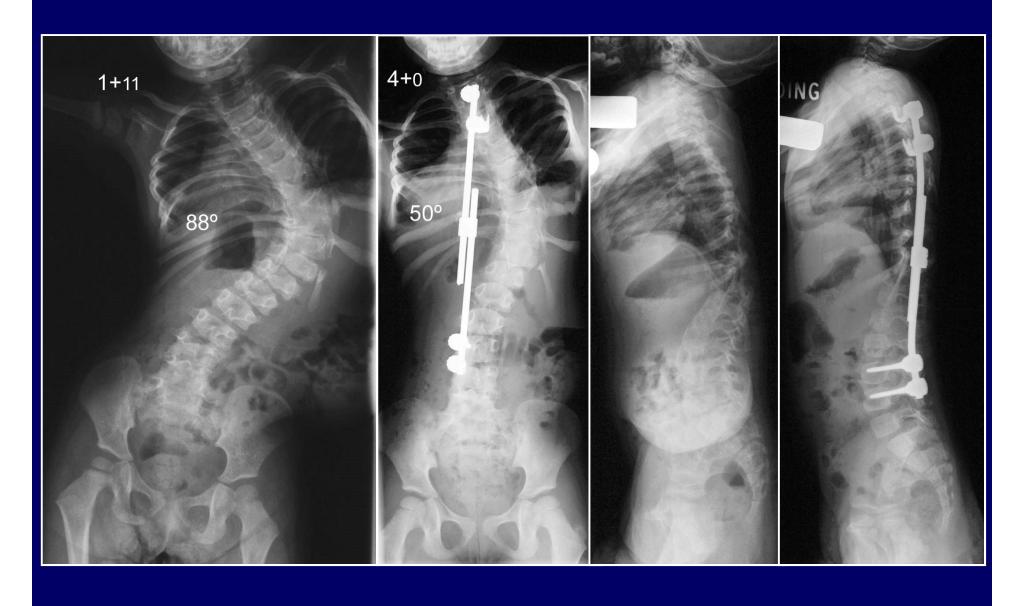




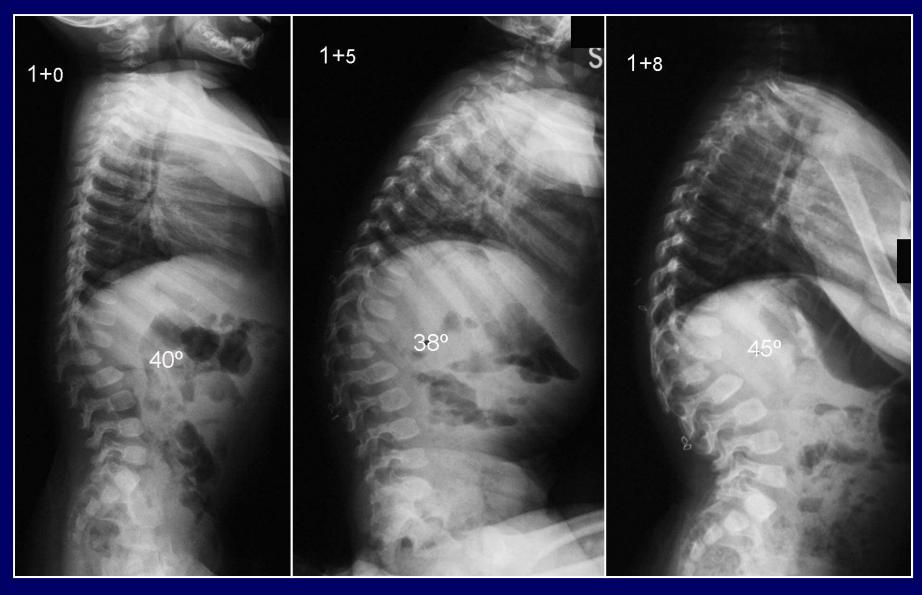
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Anterior convex fusion



Prophylactic PSF



preoperative postoperative pseudarthrosis

pseudarthrosis





preoperative

1+0

follow-up



