

Spinal Growth In Normal Children Between 3 And 11 Years Old Using 3D Reconstruction: A Longitudinal Study

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INTRODUCTION

- What do we know about normal growth?
 - Not a lot of studies
 - Difficult to have precise images
 - Radiological markings, imprecise measurements
 - Influence of pathology on normal
 - 3D Reconstruction data not existent

INTRODUCTION

- “Growth is a succession of acceleration and deceleration phases and a perfect knowledge of normal growth parameters is mandatory to understand the pathologic modifications induced on a growing spine by an early onset spinal deformity.”- Dimeglio A^[1]

[1] Dimeglio A, Canavese F, The growing spine: how spinal deformities influence normal spine and thoracic cage growth. Eur Spine J. 2012 Jan;21(1):64-70. doi: 10.1007/s00586-011-1983-3. Epub 2011 Aug 30.

Study Objectives

A) Measure normal values for:

- Total height
- Vertebral dimension
- Kyphosis
- Lordosis



3D
Visualisation

B) Calculate growth rate per month for the age categories

METHODS

- EOS Imaging x-rays of all patients seen between 2007 and 2014 at the spinal clinic were reviewed



METHODS

- All asymptomatic patients with a curve of less than 10° and more than one visit were identified,
- Absence of pathology with spinal growth influence
- PA and Lat calibrated radiographies were used for 3D reconstruction of the spine, using Idefx.

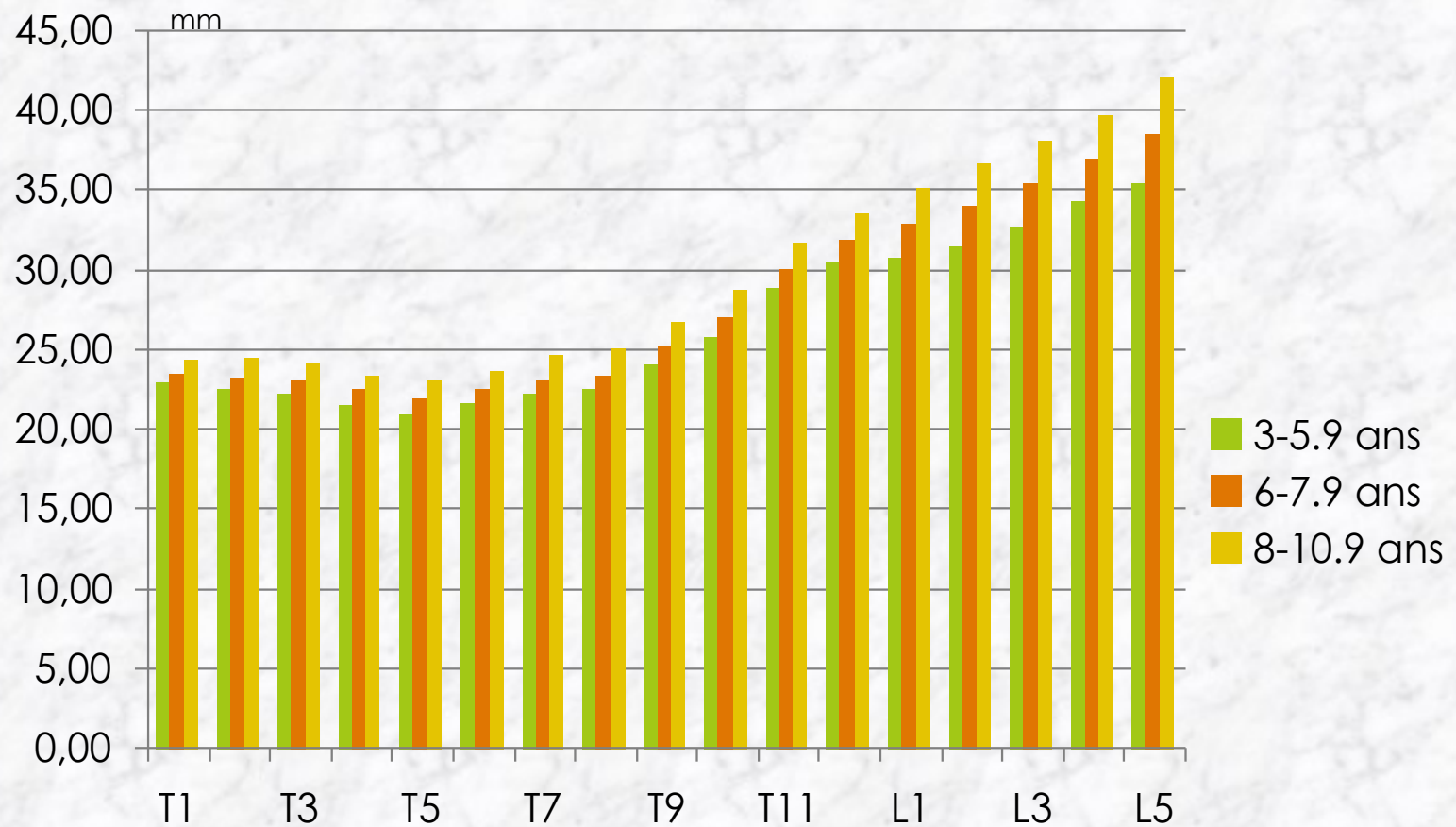
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- ▣ Values for total height, vertebral dimension, vertebral growth, kyphosis and lordosis were calculated.



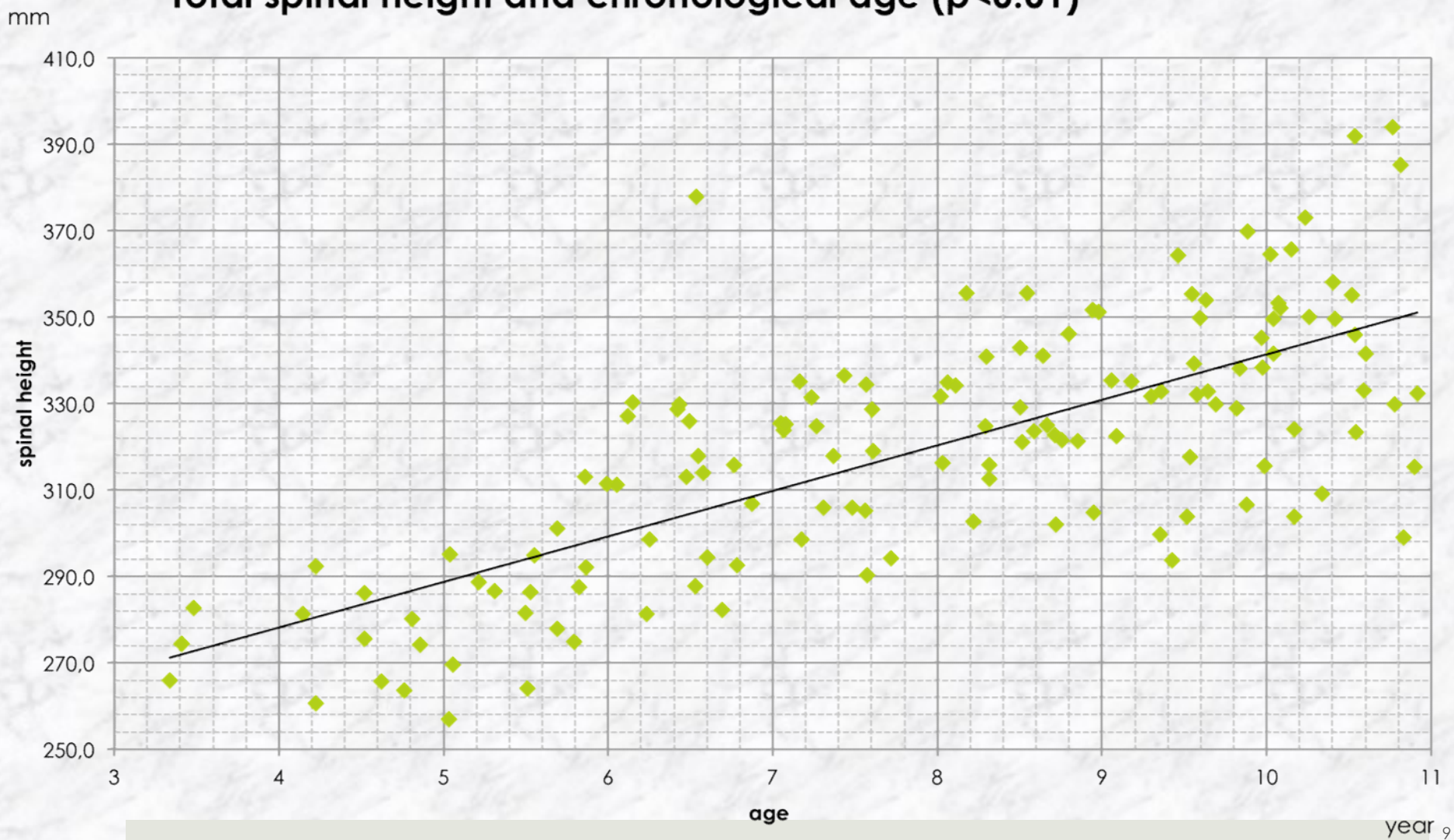
RESULTS

Vertebral heights at every level for each age category

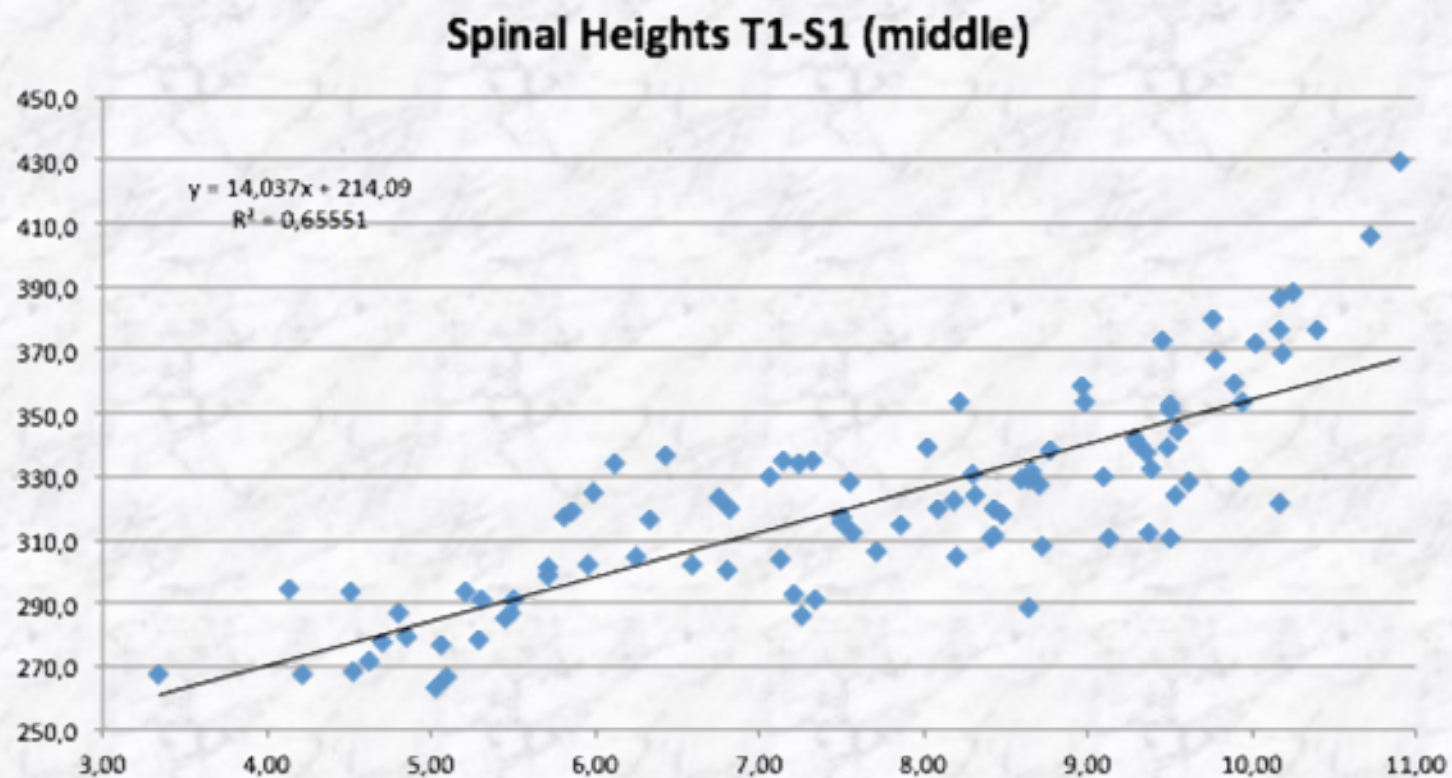


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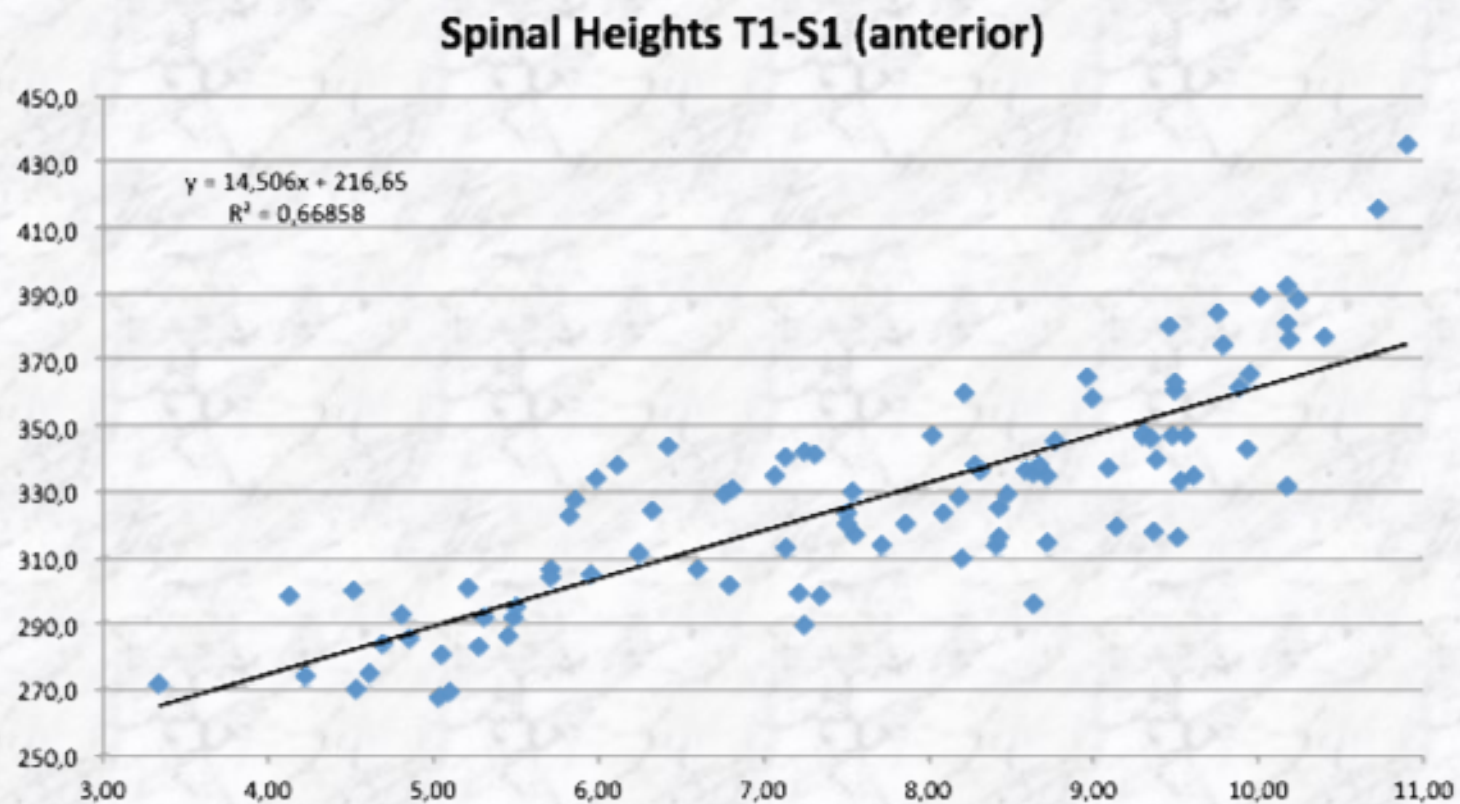
Total spinal height and chronological age ($p < 0.01$)



3D Height

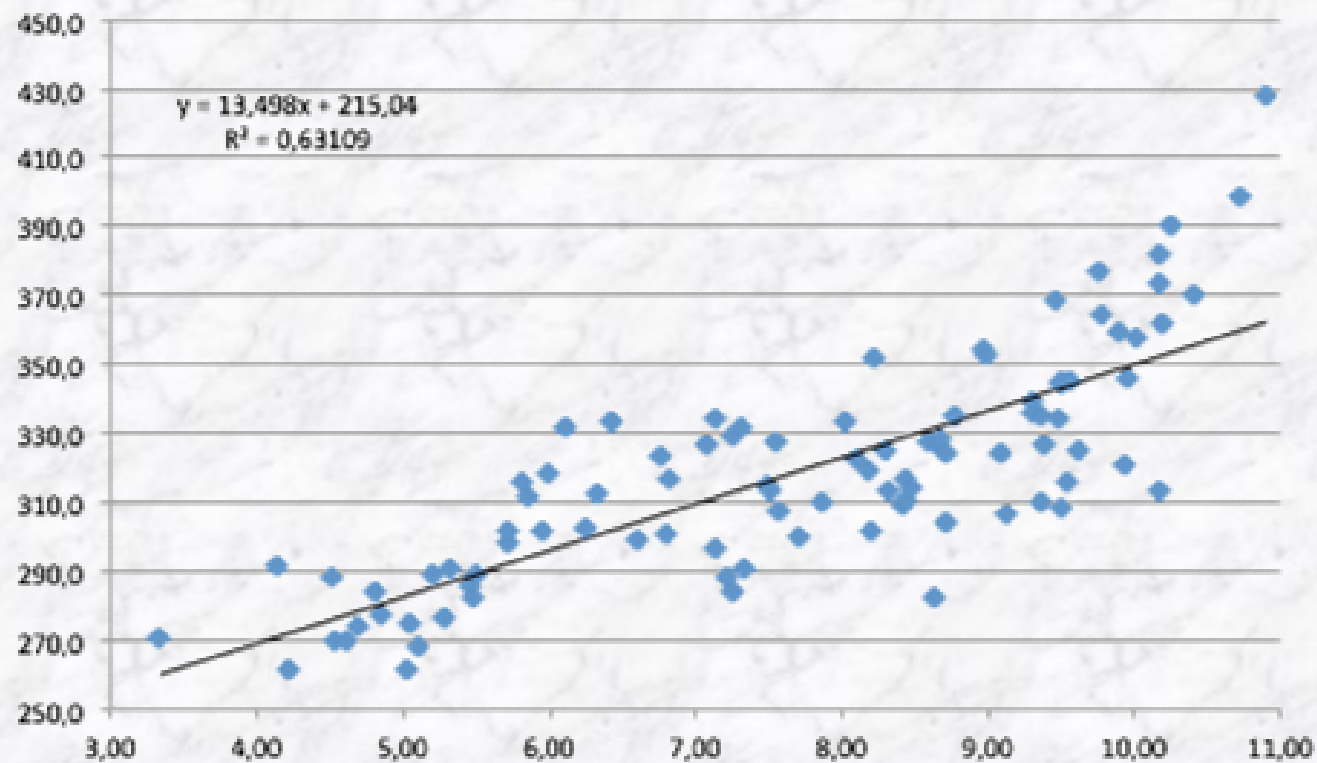


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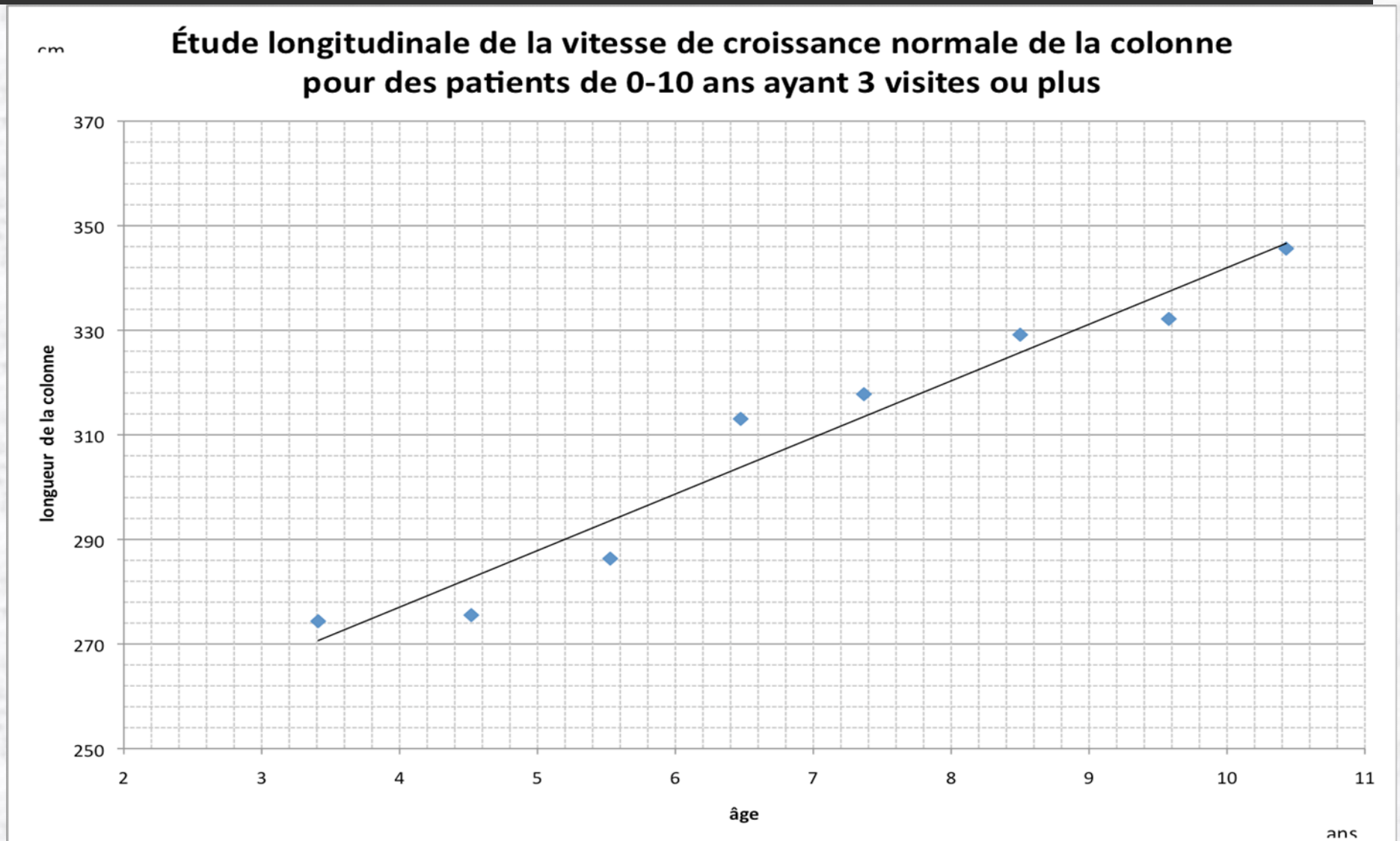


3D Height

Spinal Heights T1-S1 (posterior)



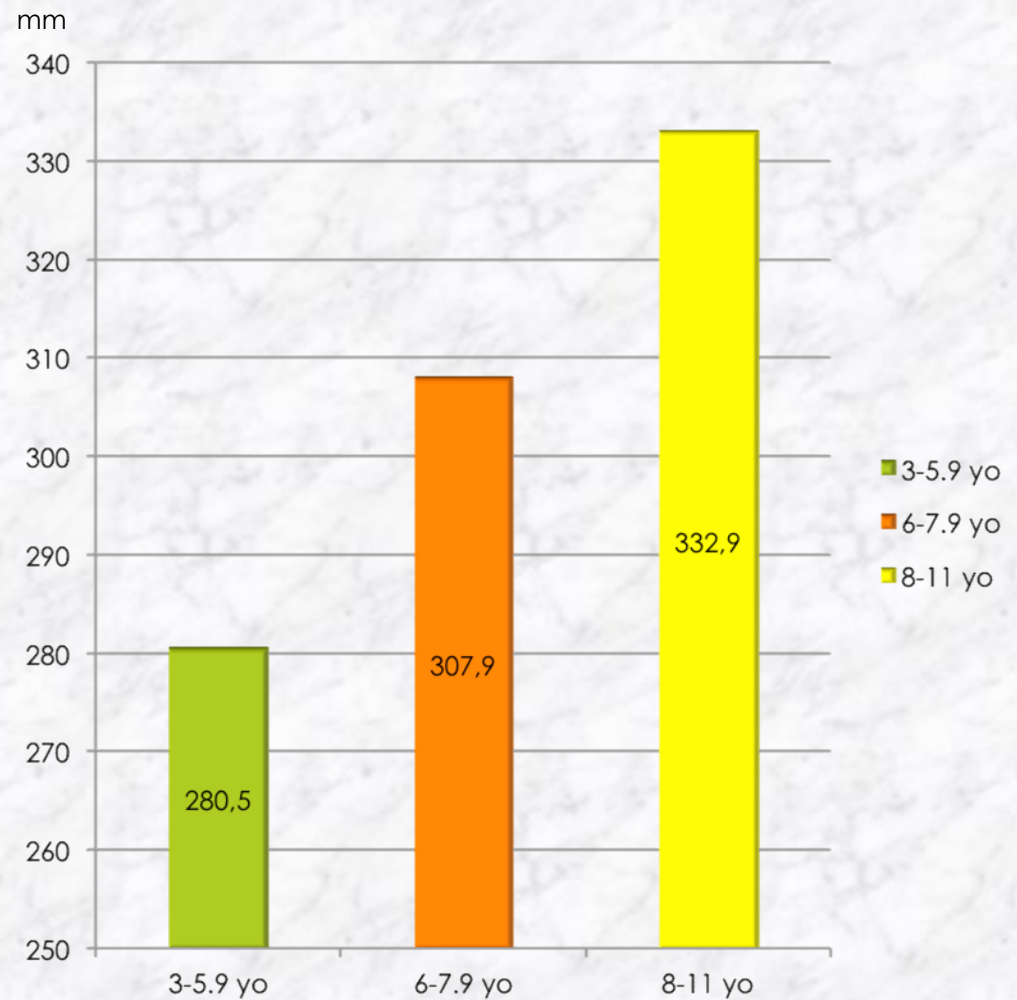
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■ Total height: ($p < 0.01$)

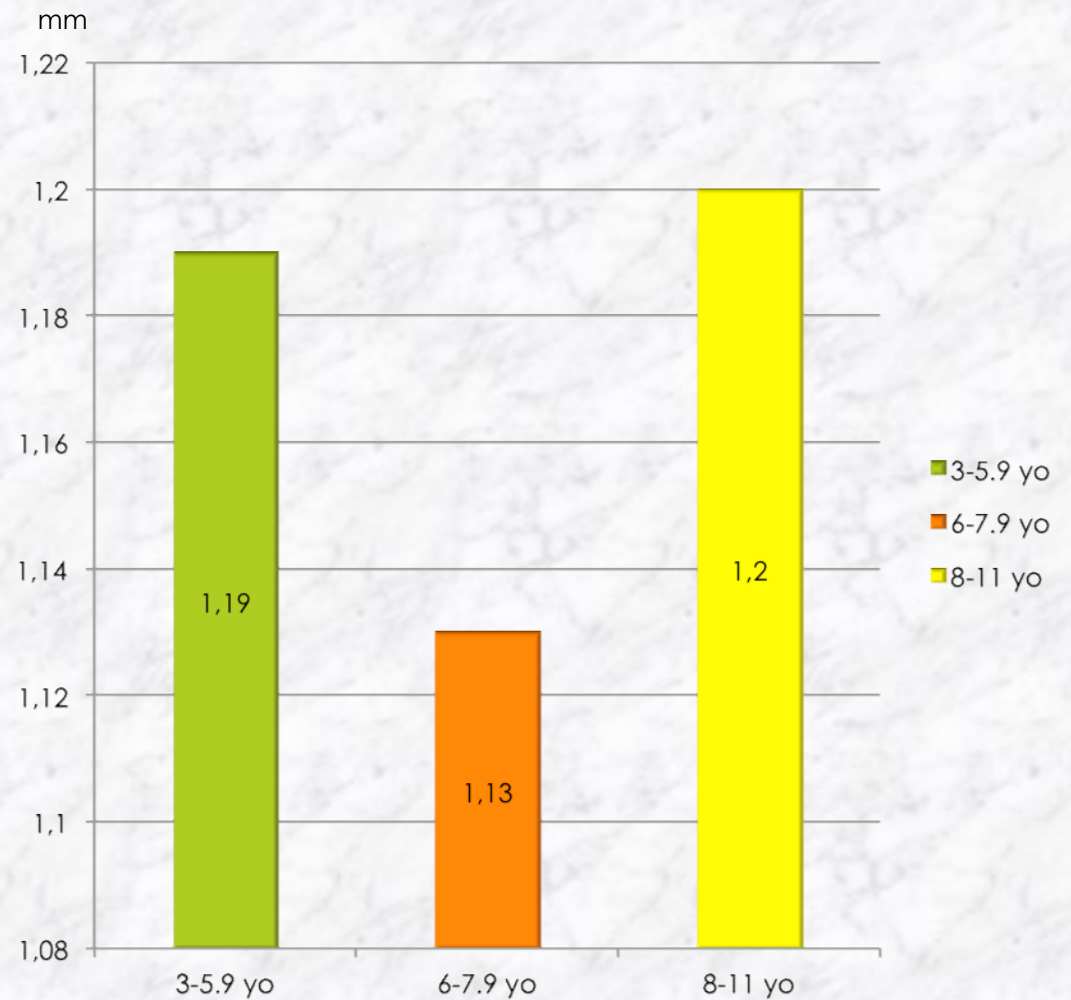
1. 3-5.9 yo: 280.5mm $\pm$ 14.8mm
2. 6-7.9 yo: 307.9mm $\pm$ 15.0mm
3. 8-11 yo: 332.9mm $\pm$ 26.1mm



RESULTS

▣ Growth rate/month:

1. 3-5.9 yo: 1.19mm $\pm$ 0.40mm
2. 6-7.9 yo: 1.13mm $\pm$ 0.23mm
3. 8-11 yo: 1.20mm $\pm$ 0.66mm

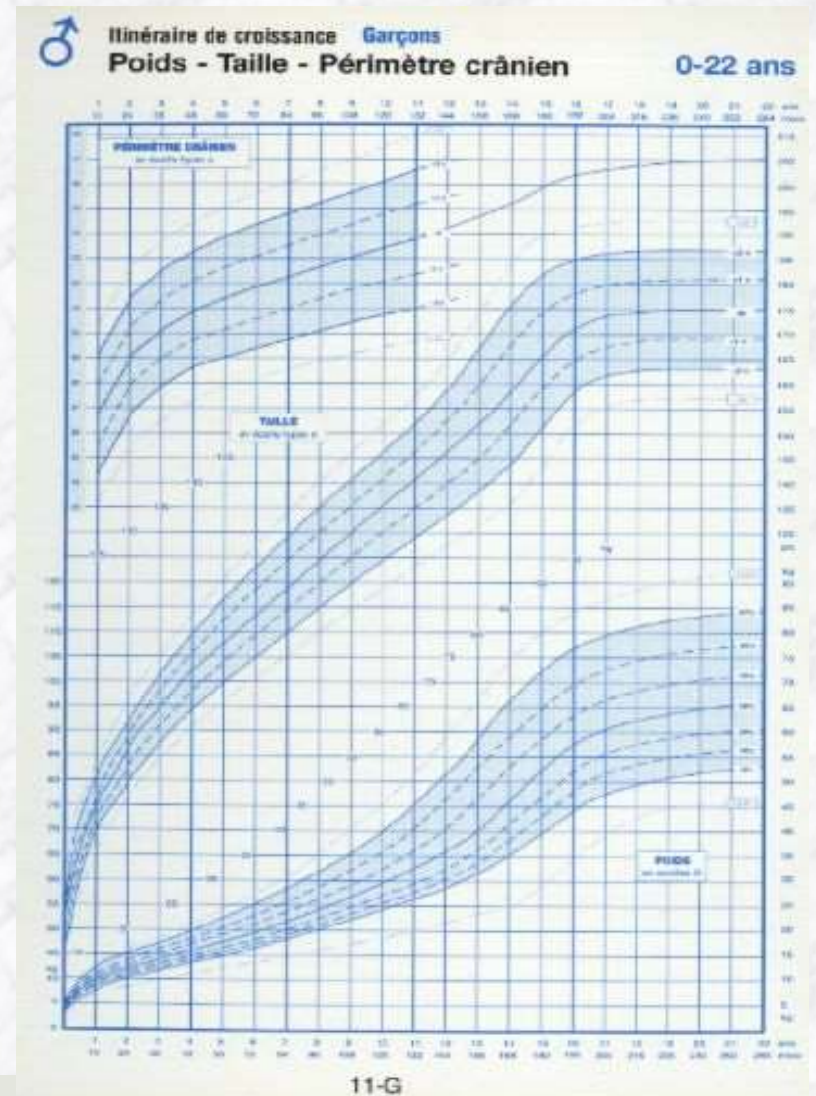


CONCLUSION

- First attempt to measure spinal growth in follow-up patients under the age of 11 years
- Normal database

CONCLUSION / Futur Objectives

- Help for the elaboration of a spinal standard growth curve
- predict spinal length at maturity
- spinal height changes in pathologic conditions.
- Evaluate impact of Tx on pathologic conditions



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