



Early Results Of The Shilla Growth Guidance Technique For Early Onset Scoliosis

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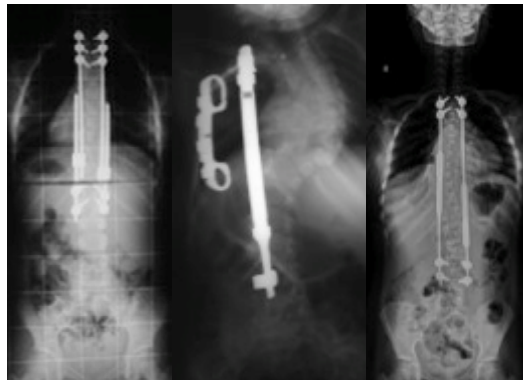
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Growth-sparing Surgical Techniques

New Growth Modulation Technology

Forces Applied

Posterior implants



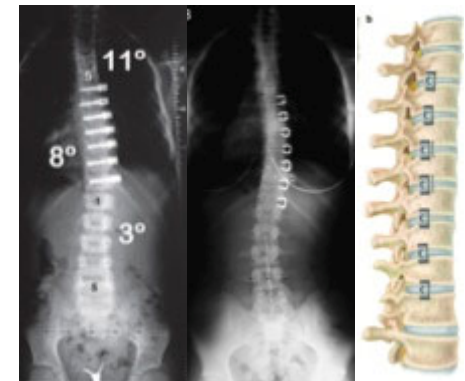
Concavity
Distraction



Active
Growth & correction



Anterior implants



Convex
Tether



Passive

Classification of Growth Friendly Techniques (Non-fusion Techniques)

Distraction Based Systems

<8 y, all etiology

Growing Rod

VEPTR

MCGR

Posterior Guided Growth

<9-10 y, all etiology

Shilla

Luque trolley

Compression Based Systems (Tether)

≥8 y, congenital Ø

Stapling

Tethers

Skaggs, Witale et al

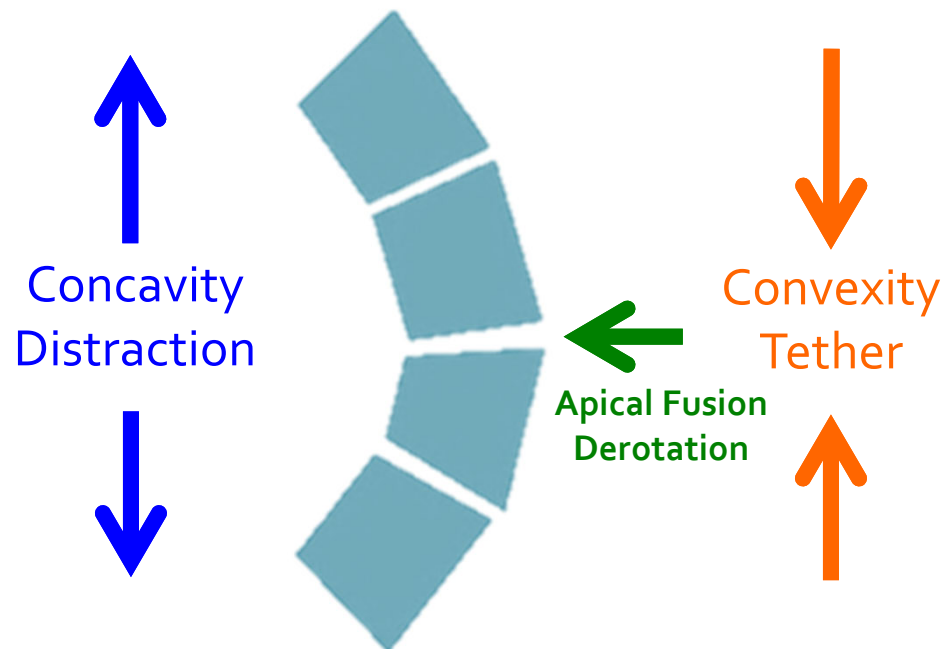
Growth Guidance Technique - Shilla

Posterior Guided Growth
<9-10 yr, all etiologies

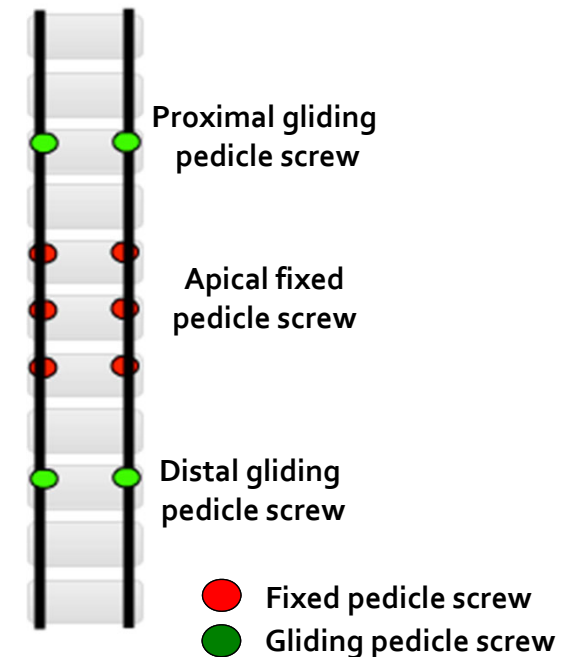
Shilla

Shilla growth guidance technique is one of the growth friendly techniques that are described to control the development of the deformity without impairing the spinal growth, in the treatment of early onset scoliosis (EOS).

Apical translation

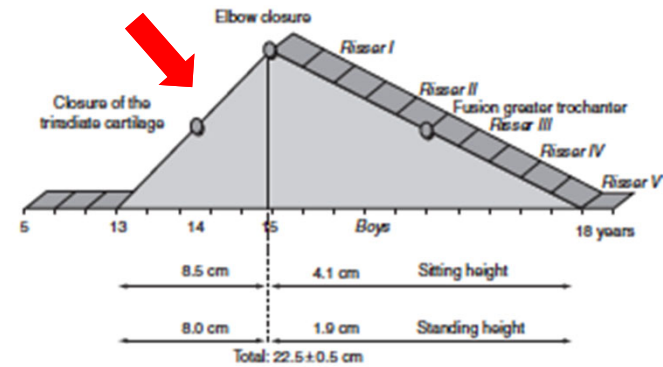
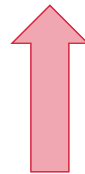


Shilla Construct



Purpose

- In the spine surgery directing the growth
 - The purpose is to increase
 - the length of the spine
 - the movability of the spine
 - the thoracic function of it
 - and to decrease
 - the number of surgeries
 - risks
- In our study, we aimed to present the early results of the Shilla in patient with insufficient conservative surgical treatments having EOS



Spinal Growth Modulation: Second growth spur



Yazıcı M, Emans J: Fusionless instrumentation systems for congenital scoliosis: Expandable spinal rods and vertical expandable prosthetic titanium rib in the management of congenital spine deformities in the growing child. Spine 2009;34(17):1800-1807

Spinal Growth Modulation: Shilla

Locked pedicle screws to apical vertebra

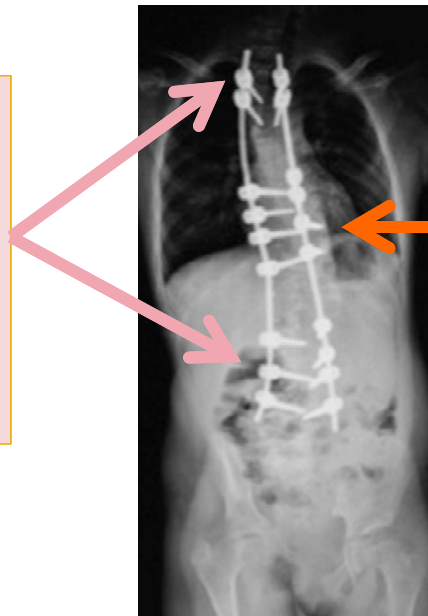
- The rotation is corrected, the rods are locked, and fusion applied

Un-locked pedicle screws to distal and proximal vertebra are applied

- They are fixed subperiostally and rods are left movable inside

Growth guidance pedicle screw:

- Fusion Ø (≈ 2 segments)
- Preserved facet joints and subperiosteal tissue
- As multiaxial sliding rod



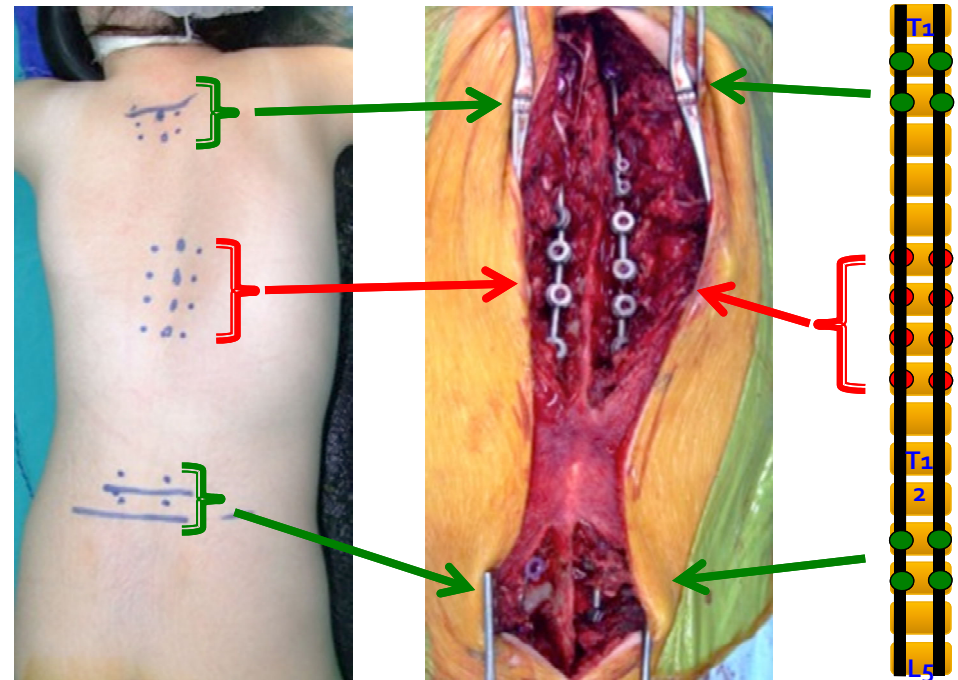
Locked pedicle screw:

- Fusion + (≈ 3 segment)
- Compression, Distraction, Derotation

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McCarthy

Method

- 7 patients (6 F, 1 M)
 - Open triradiate cartilage, Risser 1 \geq
 - AP Cobb angle $\geq 50^\circ$
 - Age 10.2 (10-11)
 - Failed Previous treatment
- Etiology
 - Idiopathic (3)
 - Congenital (2)
 - Neuromuscular (Tumor) (1)
 - Down syndrome (1)
- Preoperative X-ray, MRI, and 3DCT
- Neuromonitorisation (SSEP and MEP)
- Surgery 3.5 h
- Postoperative 3 m with TLSO brace
- Length of the hospital stay 5.6 d (4-7)
- FU @ 7.2 m (1.5-14)

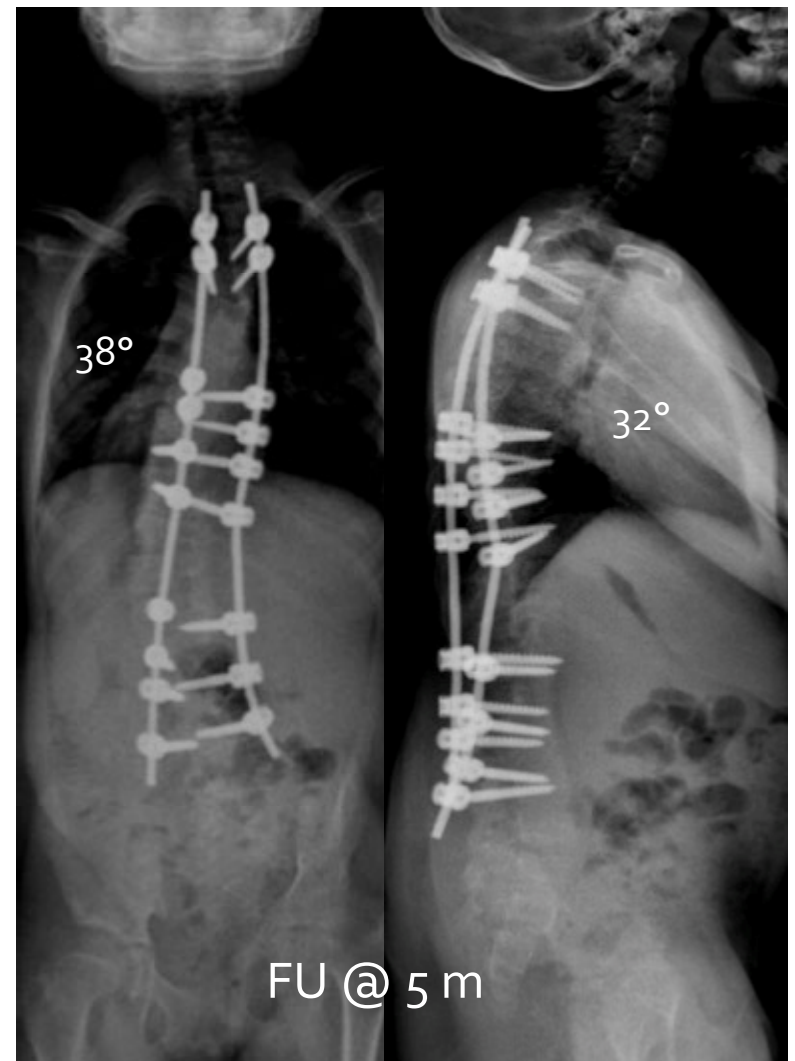
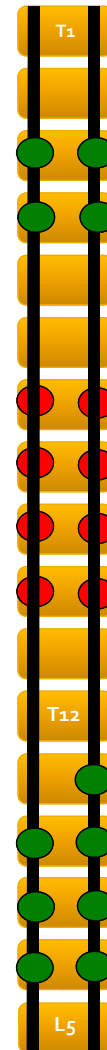
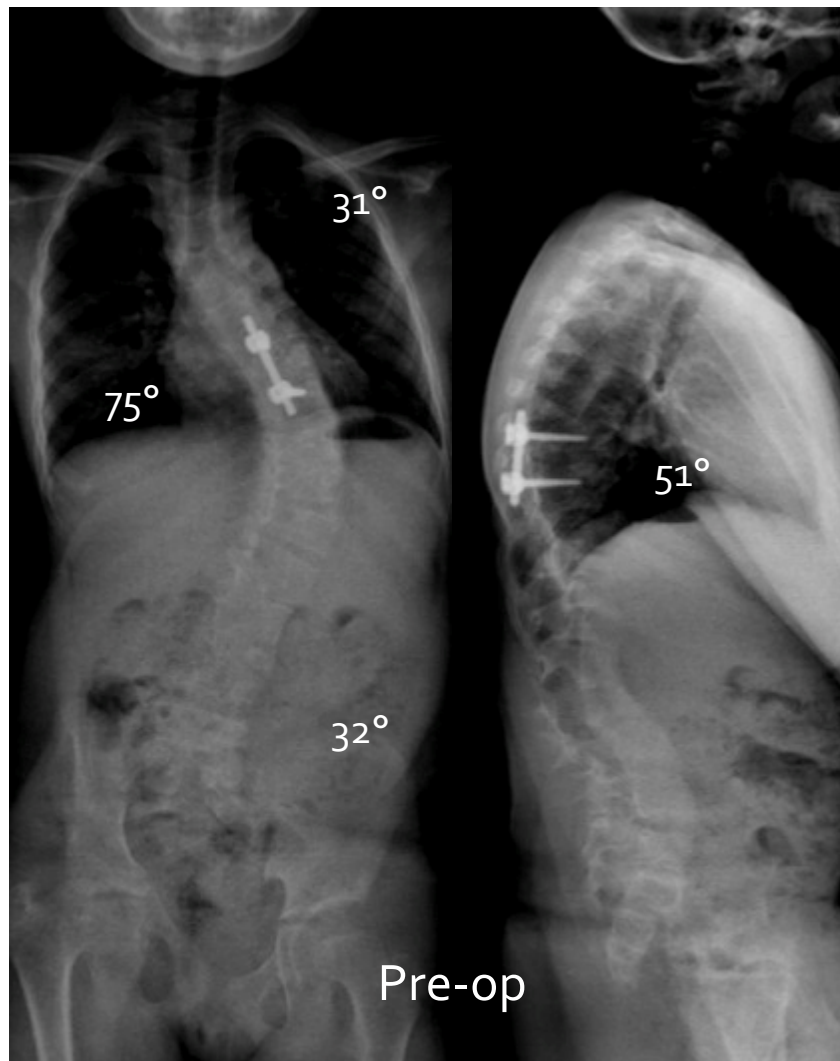


RESULTS

| | Coronal Cobb (Major Curve) | Coronal Cobb (Minor Curve) | Sagittal (Kyphosis) Cobb | Sagittal (Lordosis) Cobb |
|--------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Preoperative | 69.4° (54-100°) | 60° (18°-53°) | 63.8° (33°-87°) | 50.5° (0-74°) |
| Last control | 28.7° (7.5°-50°) | 20.9° (7°-28°) | 30.5° (15°-44°) | 31.5° (6°-39°) |
| Correction | 58.6% | 65.2% | 52.2% | 37.6% |

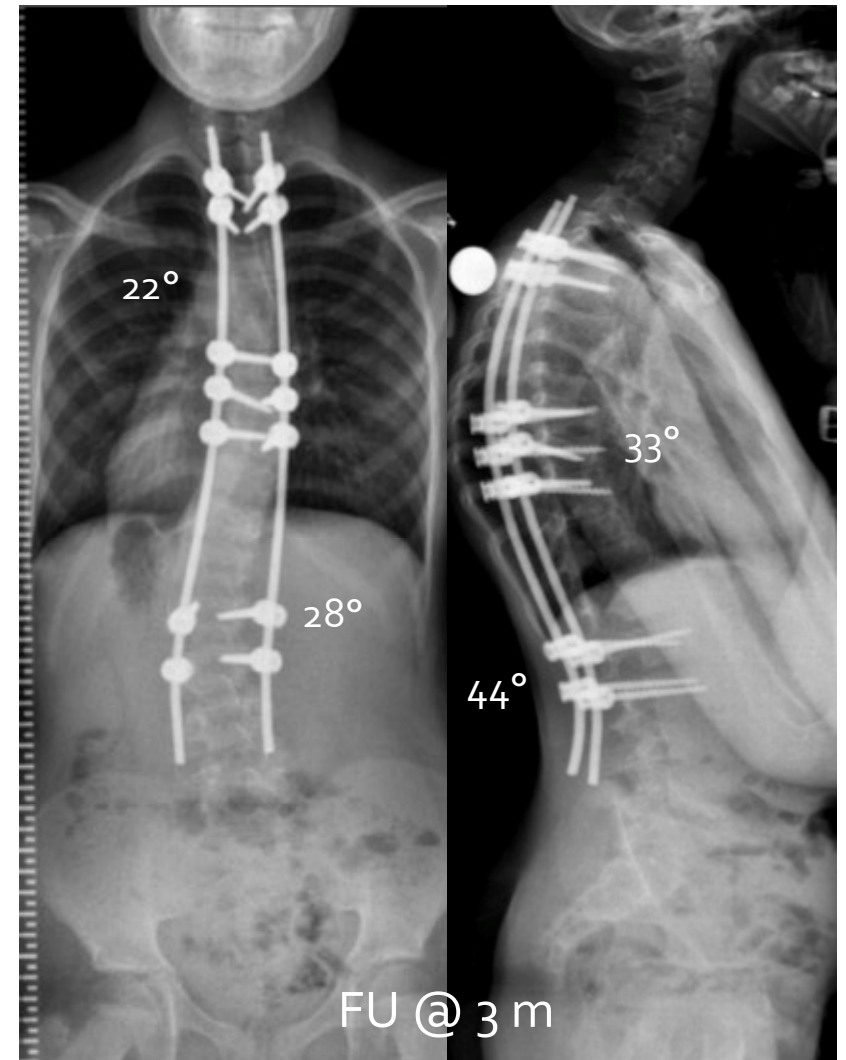
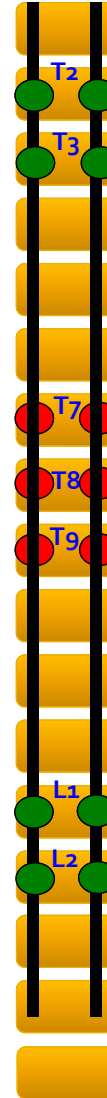
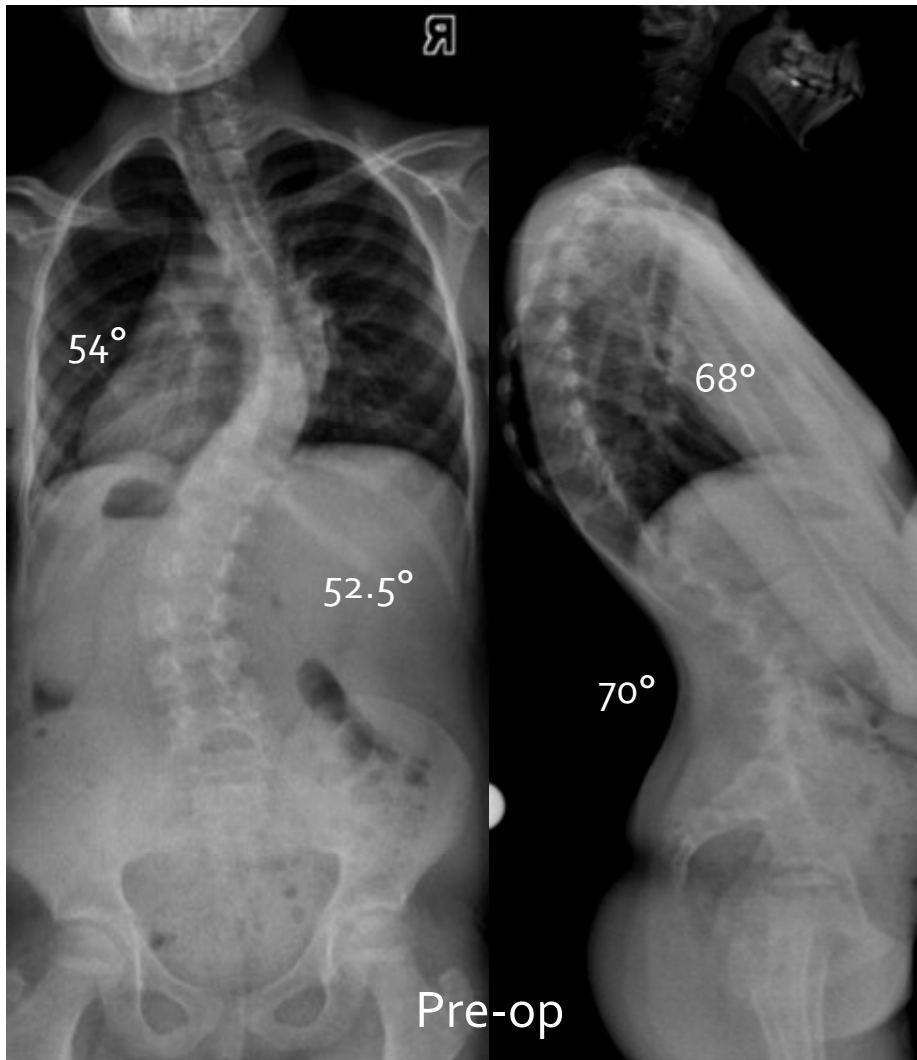
| No | Sex | Etiology | Risser / Y Cartilage | Age of Surgery time (y) | Duration of Surgery (h) | Hospital stay (d) | FU (m) | AP-Preop Cobb | AP-Postop Cobb | LAT-Preop Cobb (K/L) | LAT-Postop Cobb (K/L) |
|----|-----|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 | F | Congenital | 0 / Open | 10 | 3.45 | 7 | 5 | 34°/66° | 27°/38° | 51°/0° | 32°/6° |
| 2 | F | Down Syndrome | 0 / Open | 10 | 3 | 7 | 12 | 55°/18° | 35°/15° | 33°/21° | 15°/17° |
| 3 | M | Idiopathic | 1 / Open | 11 | 6 | 4 | 14 | 100° | 50° | 87°/62° | 44°/39° |
| 4 | F | Neuromuscular | 1 / Open | 10 | 6.15 | 4 | 13 | 25°/57° | 24°/28° | 67°/66° | 34°/39° |
| 5 | F | Idiopathic | 0 / Open | 9.8 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 54°/52.5° | 22°/28° | 68°/70° | 33°/44° |
| 6 | F | Idiopathic | 0 / Open | 9 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 46°/71°/33° | 27°/26°/8° | 54°/67° | 36°/41° |
| 7 | F | Congenital | 1 / Open | 12 | 5.30 | 6 | 1.5 | 53°/80° | 35°/21° | 79°/61° | 21°/39° |
| | | | | 10.25 | 4.1 (1-6.15) | 5.6 (4-7) | 7.2 (1.5-14) | | | | |

EOS (Congenital Scoliosis) F / Age @ 10 y

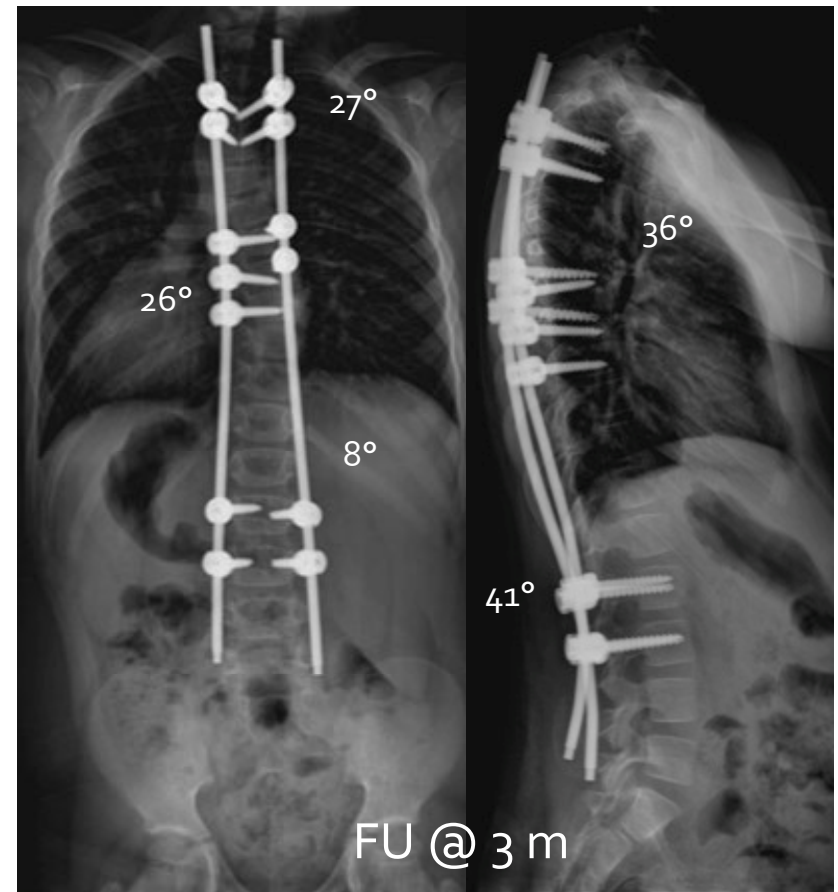
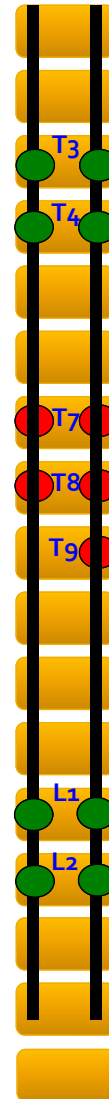
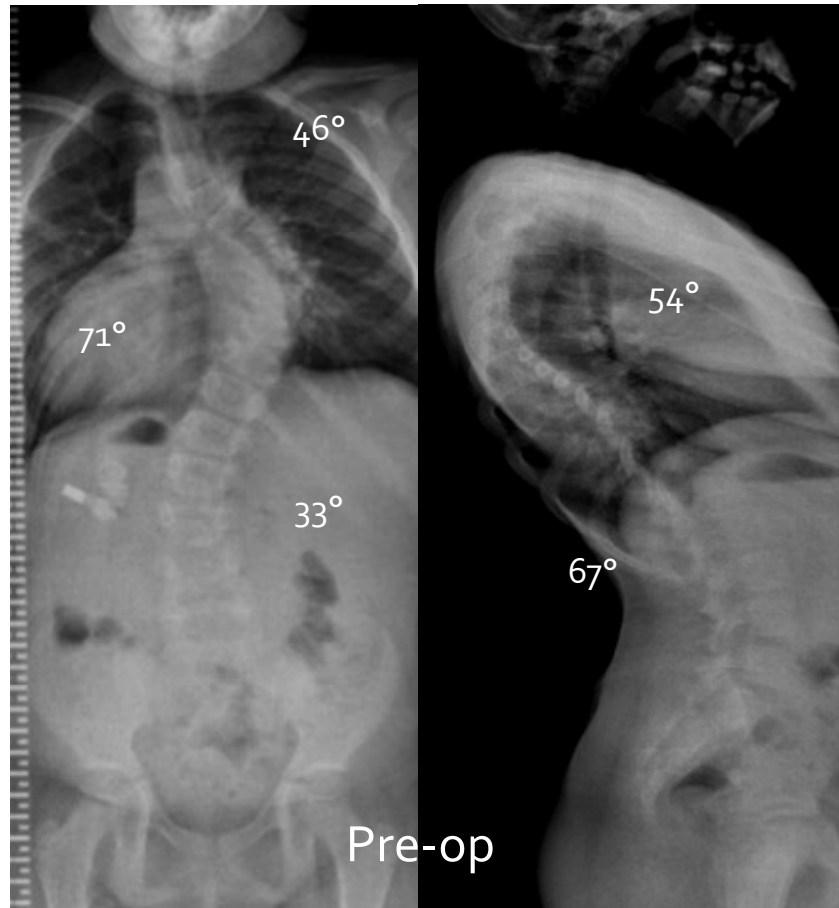


EOS (Idiopathic Scoliosis)

F / Age @ 9+8 y



EOS (Idiopathic Scoliosis) F / Age @ 9 y



Results

- **Problems due to repetitive surgeries constitute important problems**
- **With the application of Shilla technique in convenient patients**
 - *The spine growth may be maintained*
 - *The apical vertebra rotation can be corrected*
 - *The number of repetitive surgeries can be decreased*
- **The limitations of our study**
 - *The number of patients was less.*
 - *The application was in a relatively late age*
 - *The follow-up period was short*
- **The Shilla technique needs to be evaluated using a higher number of patients with a longer follow-up period**