



Imaging with EOS, how does 3D help us with early onset deformity outcomes

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Introduction

First Visit

- Prediction of scoliosis progression remains challenging in patients with spinal deformities
- Even more difficult in Early Onset Scoliosis (EOS)
 - Different pathologies
 - Significant growth remaining

CONSEQUENCES

- Multiple clinical visits
- Serial radiographs
- Psychological stress
- Difficult to determine which patients will need interventions (and what type of intervention)



Introduction

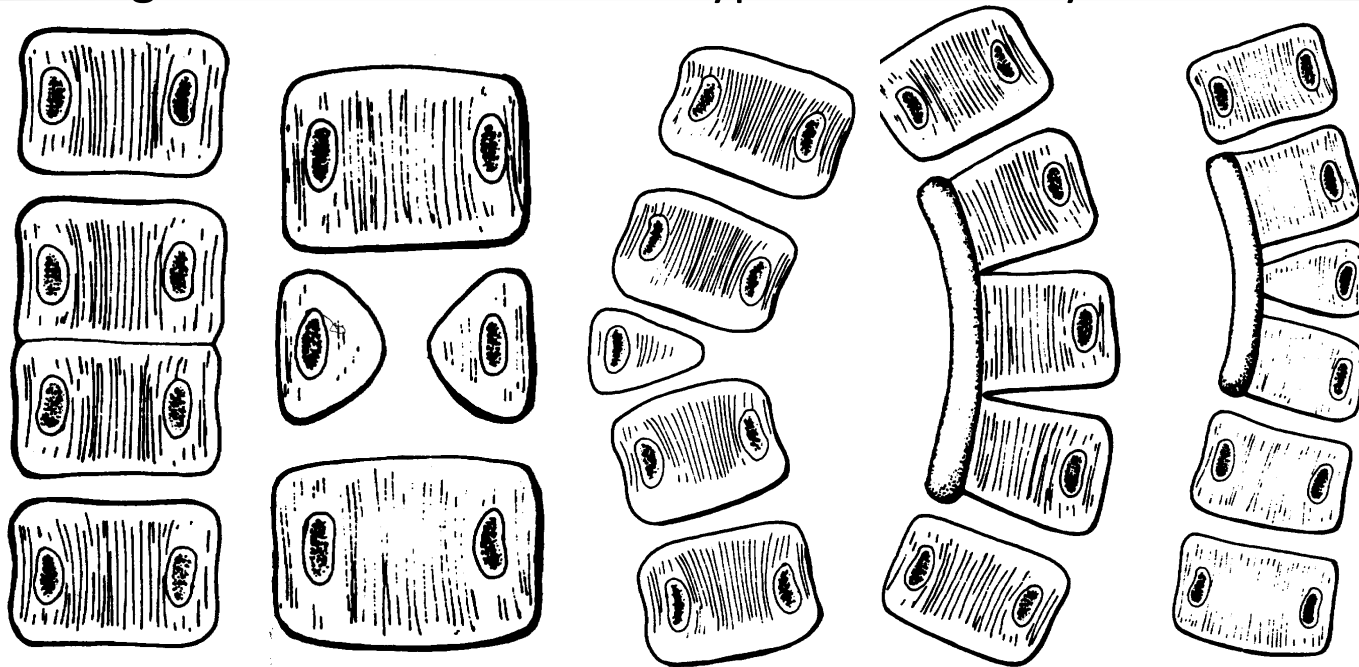
Known Predictive factors for curve progression

- Type of curve
- Age
- Maturity
- Severity of deformity at presentation
- These are classical factors for AIS
 - EOS is more complicated



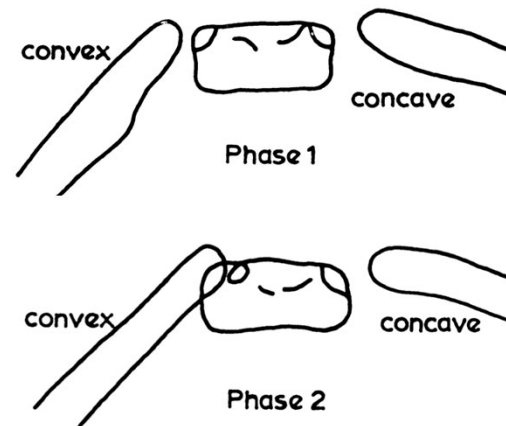
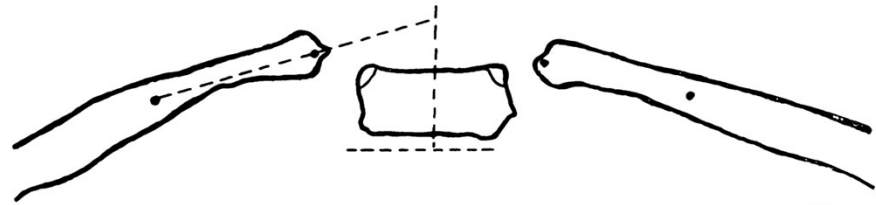
Congenital Scoliosis

- The problem is asymmetric growth
- They can become very severe.
- Two basic types – failures of formation or segmentation
- Progression is based on the type of deformity



Idiopathic EOS- Separating Resolving from Progressive

- We have 3 Criteria:
- Curve Progression
- RVAD or RVAD Progression
- Rib Phase



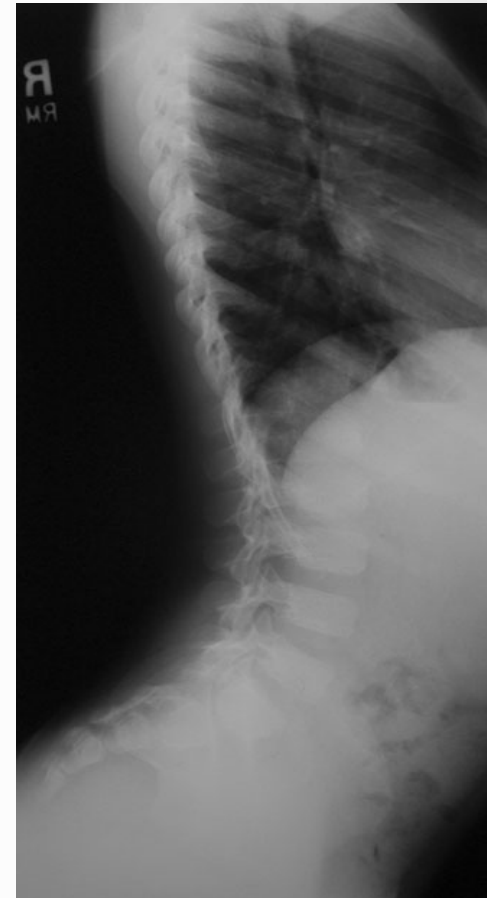
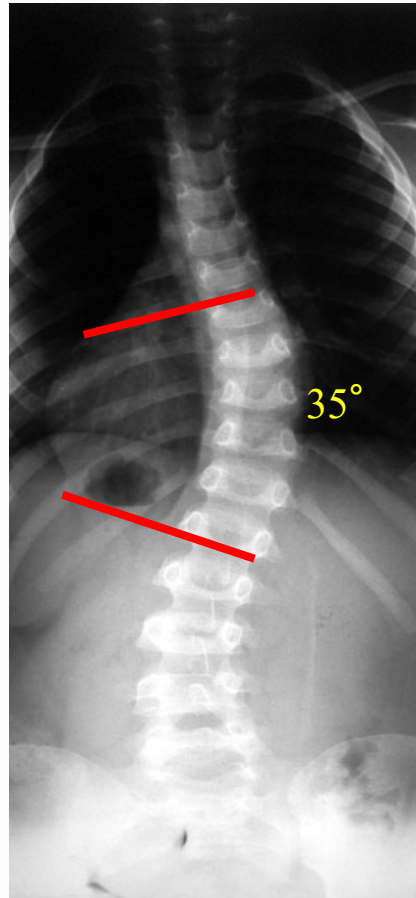
Illustrative case

Idiopathic EOS

- 8 years old boy
- Otherwise healthy
- Referred for treatment
- Neuro exam normal



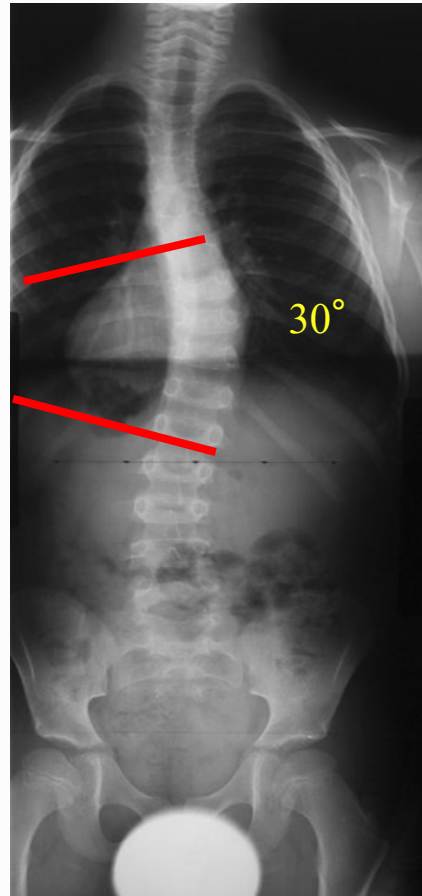
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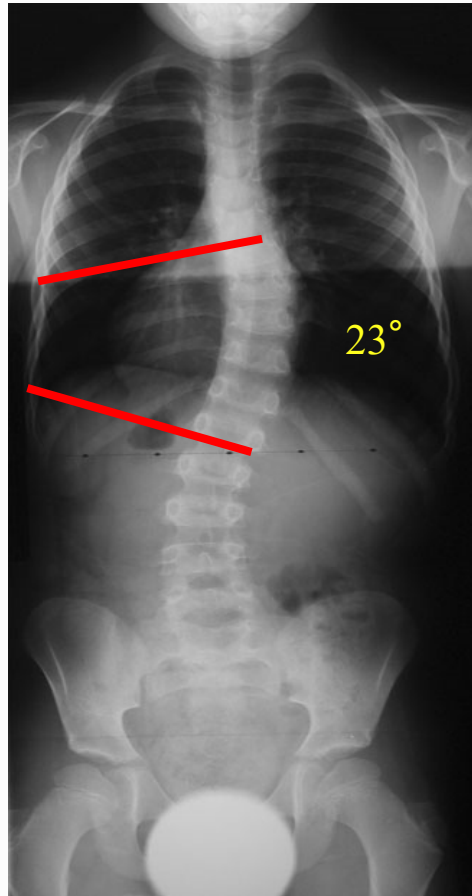
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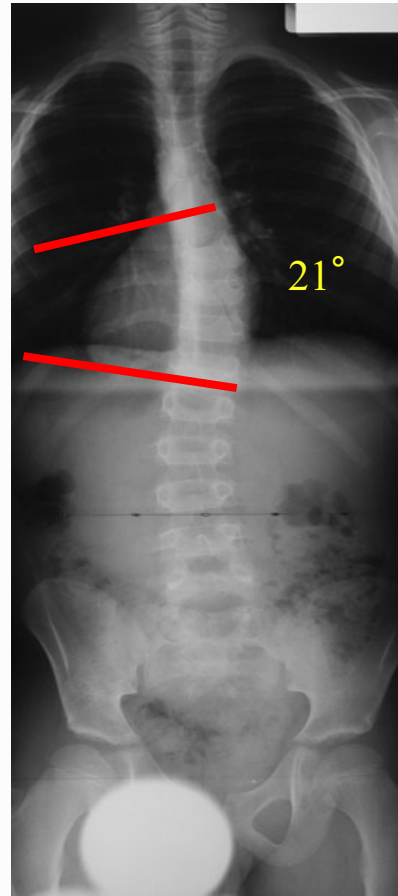
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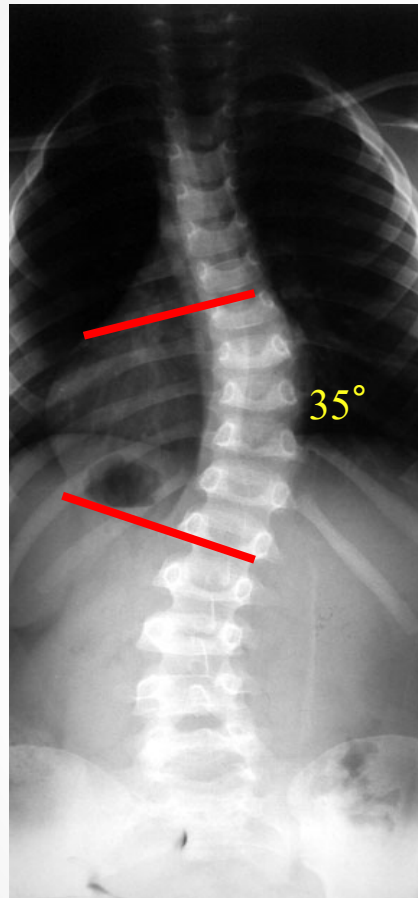


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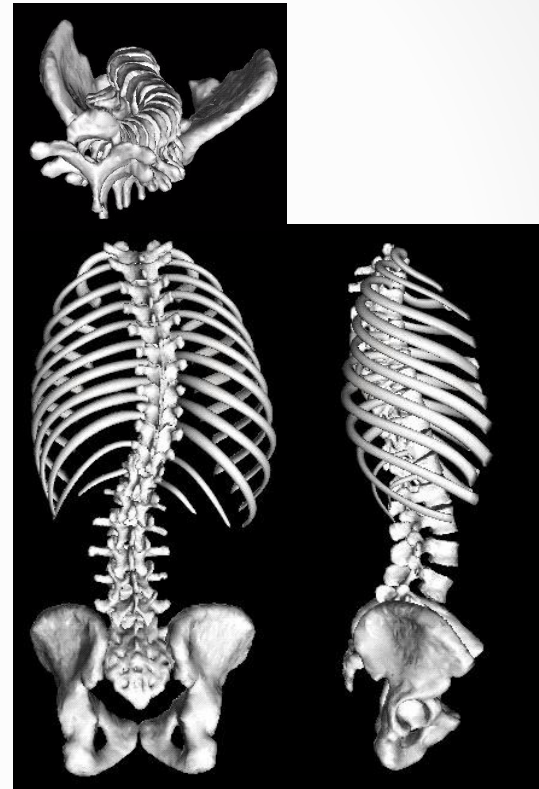
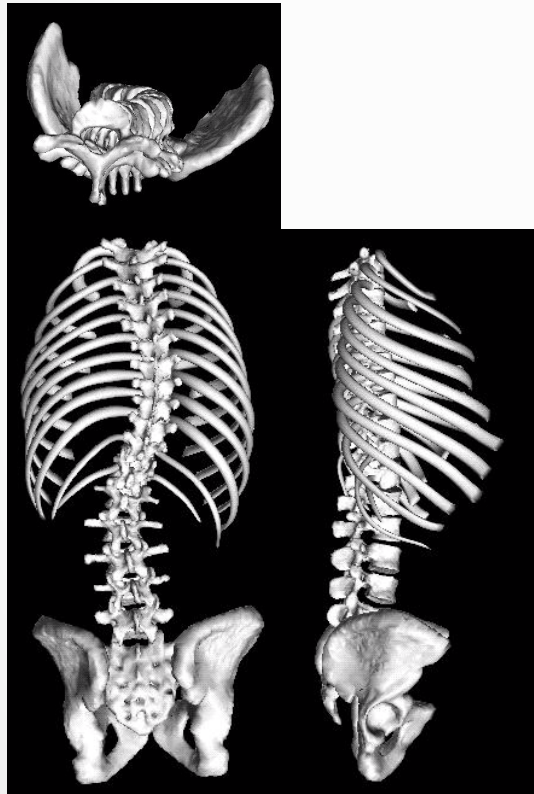


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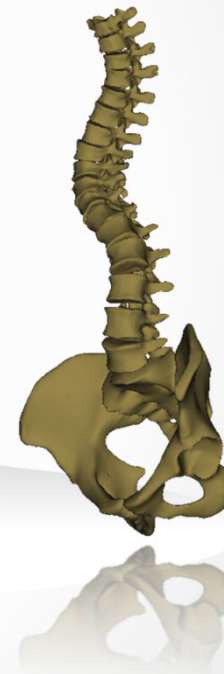
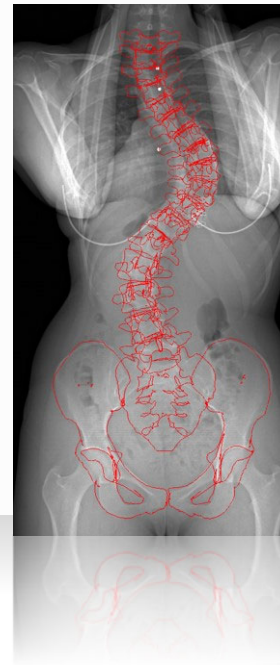
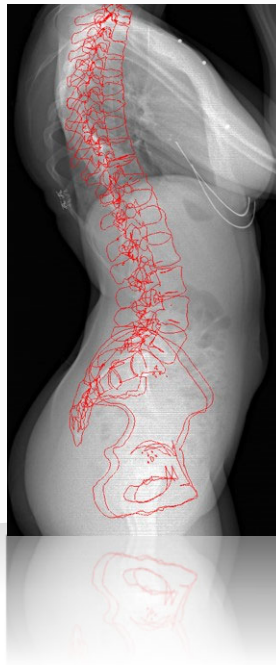
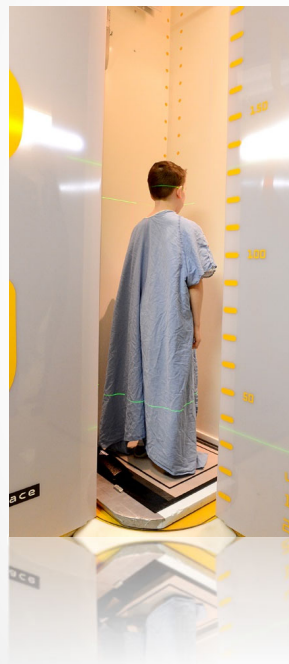




Why 3D?



3D reconstructions with EOS system



Why is EOS™ so different

- Only method to acquire simultaneous radiographs
- Calibrated environment
 - Possible to know exactly where the patient is in space
- Rapid 3D reconstruction
- 3D parameters calculated specifically for each patient



How can we use this information?

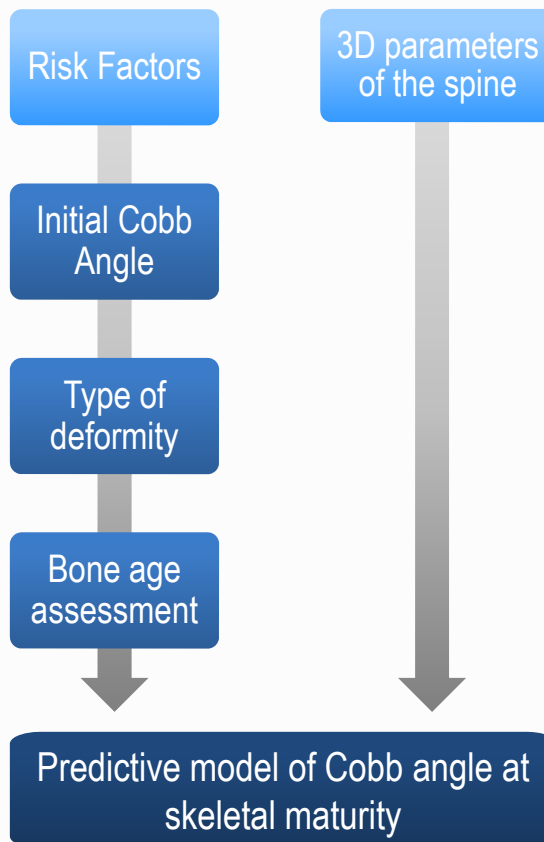
- Every patient is different
- Every patient's anatomy is unique
- Specific 3D parameters may have an impact on progression of the deformity
 - Some spines may be inherently more stable
 - Some spines may be more prone to progression



Prospective model - Methods

- Prospective cohort – Single center
- Statistical model
- Outcome: Final deformity at the end of growth
- Complete model:
 - 3D spine parameters as predictors
 - Skeletal maturity
 - Type of curve
 - Initial Cobb angle





Predictive model

- Predictive model includes:

- Skeletal maturity system
- Type of curvature
- Initial deformity severity
- Angle of the plane of maximal curvature
- 3D wedging of two specific disk levels
- Apical intervertebral rotation

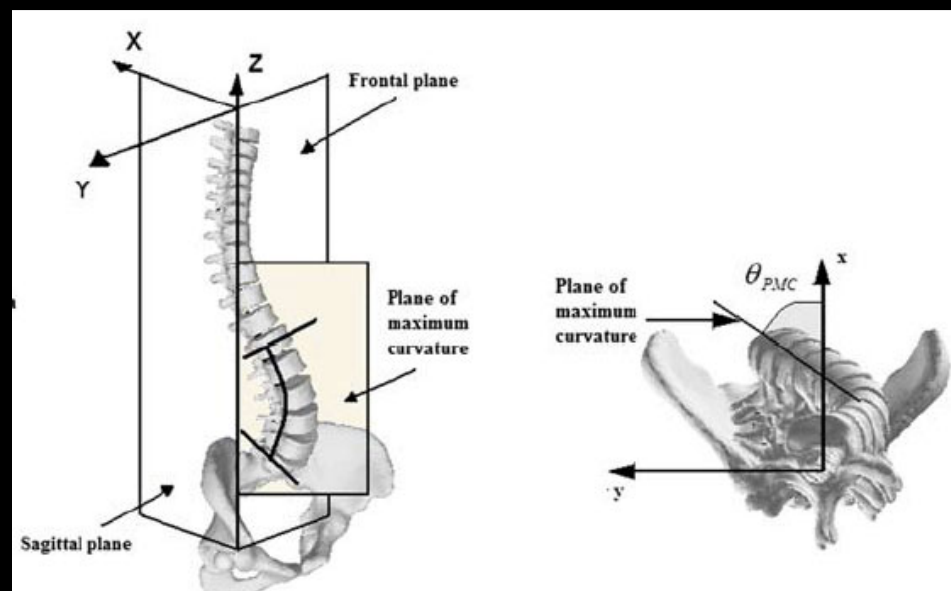
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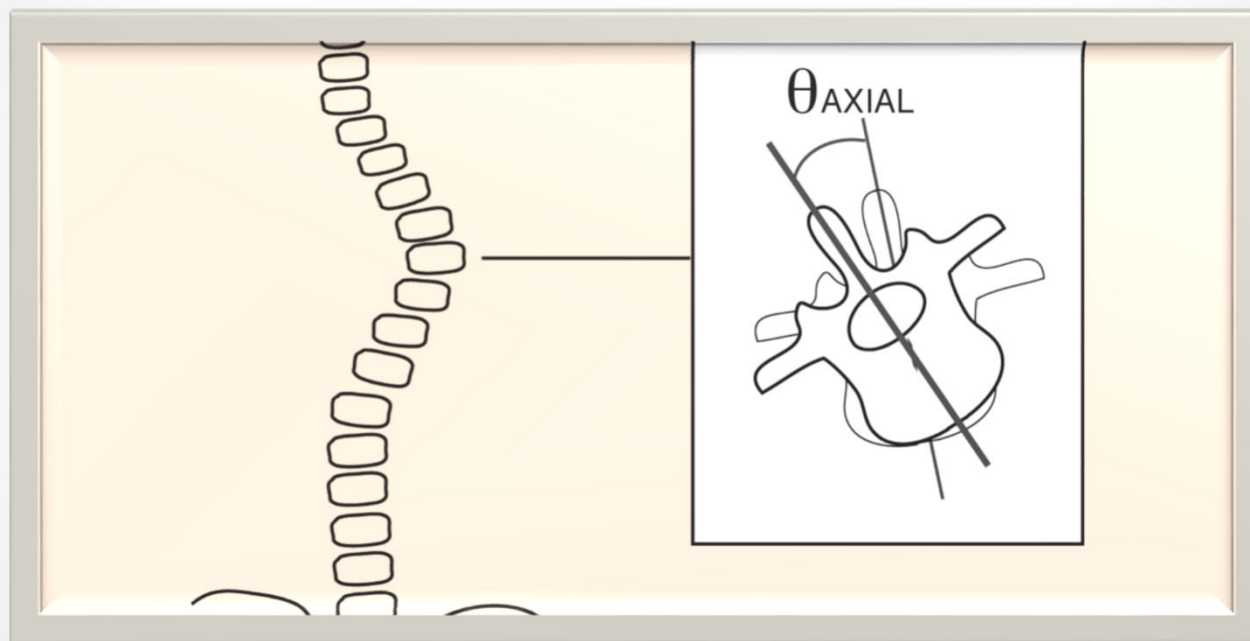
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Plane of Maximal deformity

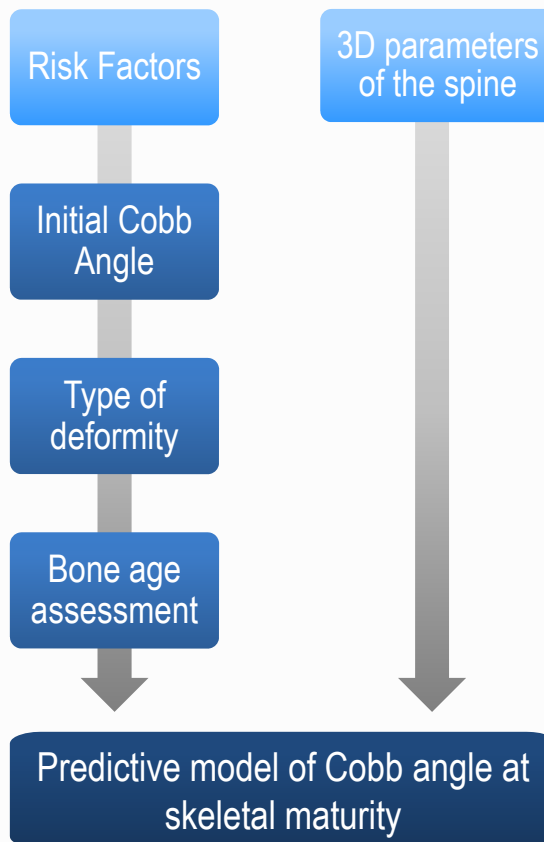


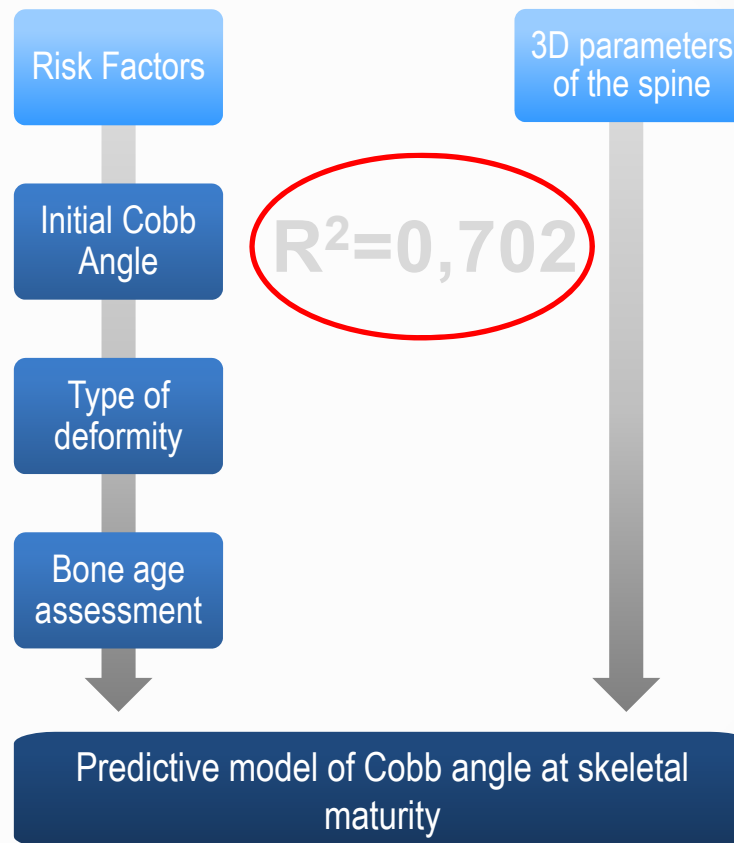
Apical Vertebral Rotation



Peri-apical disk wedging







What about linear measurements?

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- Spine length measured on PA radiographs does not take into account sagittal deformity
- The greater the kyphosis, the less reliable the spine length is
- How about in 3D?



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



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Study Objectives

A) To measure reference values for:

- Total spinal height
- Vertebral dimension
- Kyphosis
- Lordosis



3D
Visualisation

B) To calculate growth rate per month for the age categories

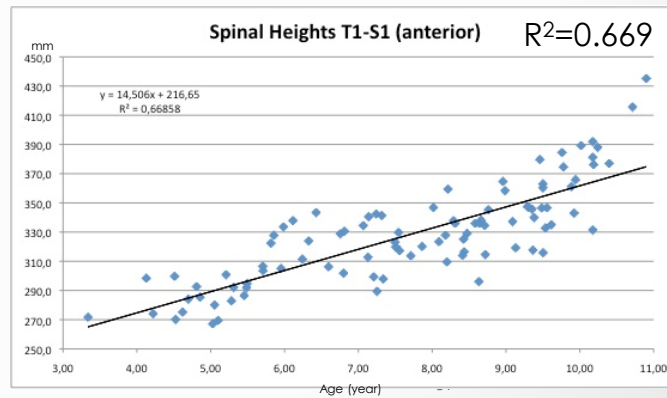
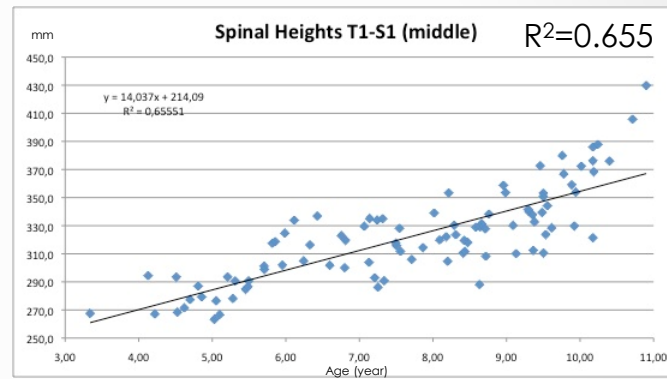
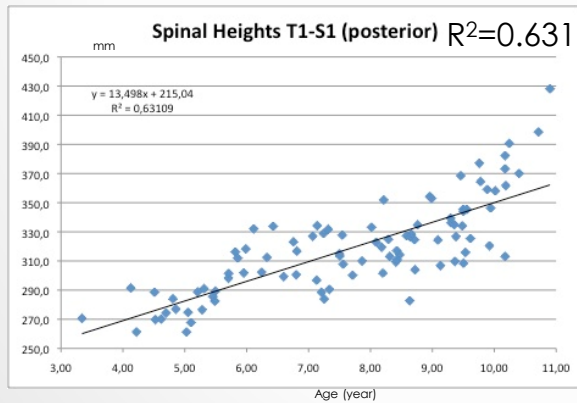
METHODS



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

3D Height

- 3D evaluation allows calculation of spinal heights from different perspectives: posterior, middle or anterior side of the spine.
- Spinal heights increase as the child ages.



What is the significance of RVAD?

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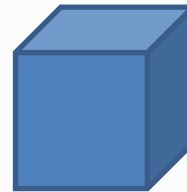
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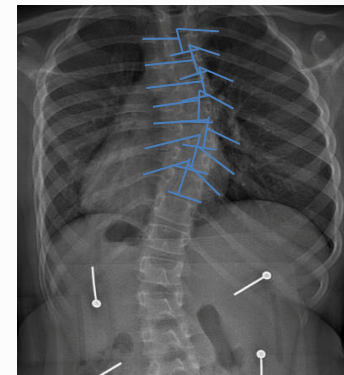
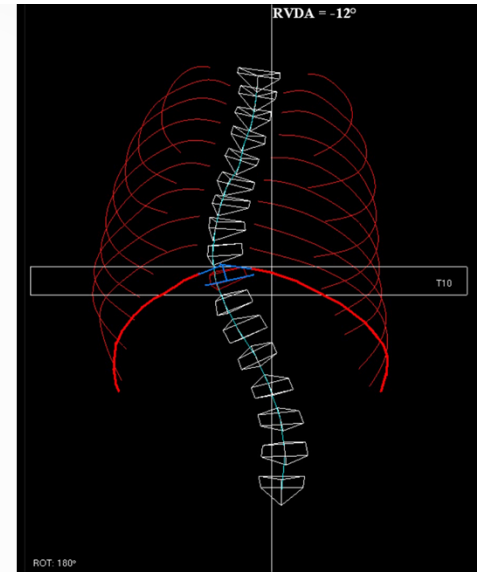
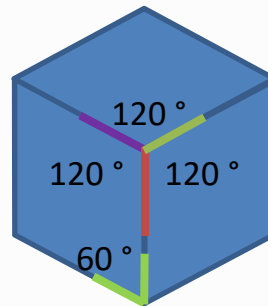
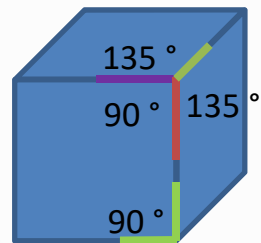
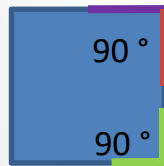
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3D : all angles of a cube = 90°



2D Projection of 3D angles

2D : angles vary according to the position of the observer

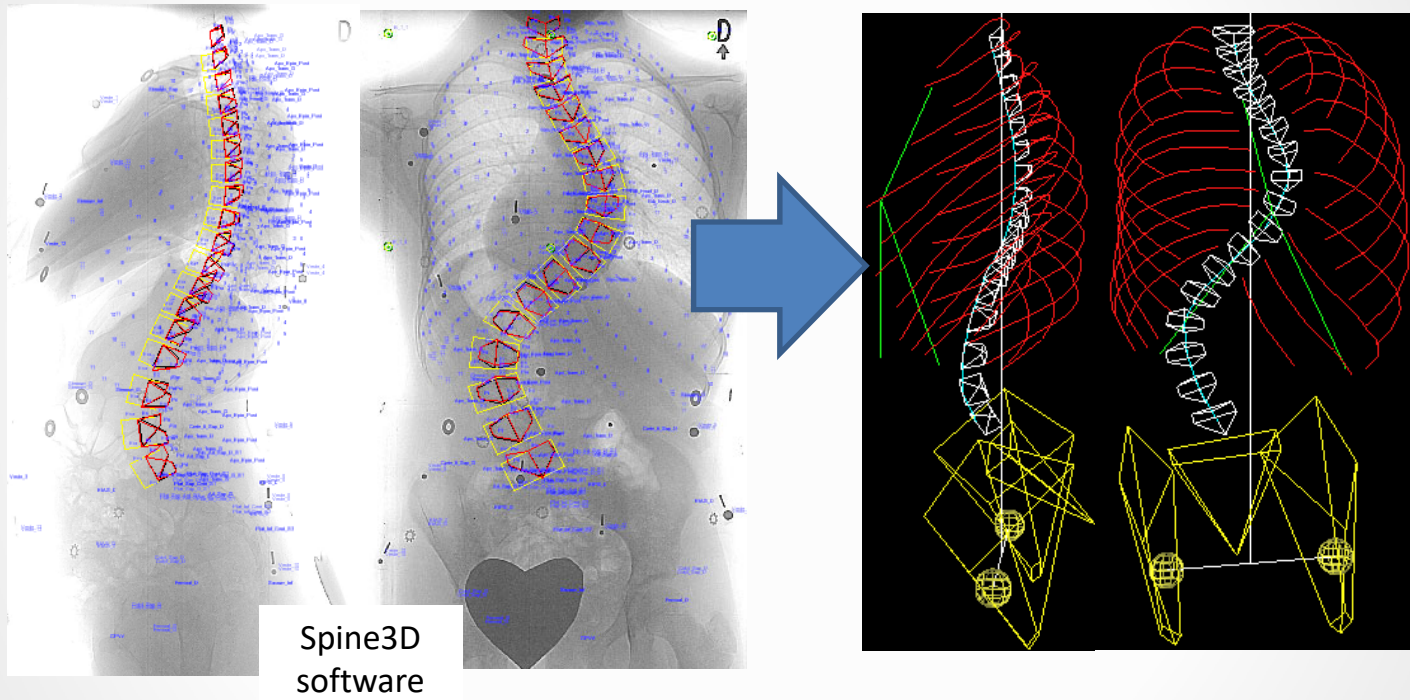


Patient data

- **42** Early Onset Scoliosis patients (26 females, 16 males)
- Age : 5.4 ± 2.3 years
- Cobb : $43.3^\circ \pm 19.9^\circ$
- 18 Phase I, 24 Phase II

Sites	# of Patients
CHU Sainte-Justine (QC)	27
University of Rochester (NY)	5
Texas Scottish Rite Hospital (TX)	5
Shriners Hospitals for Children (UT)	5

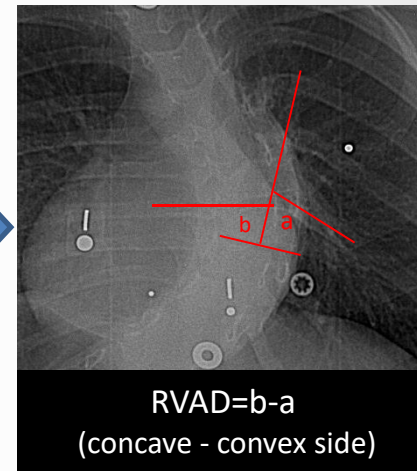
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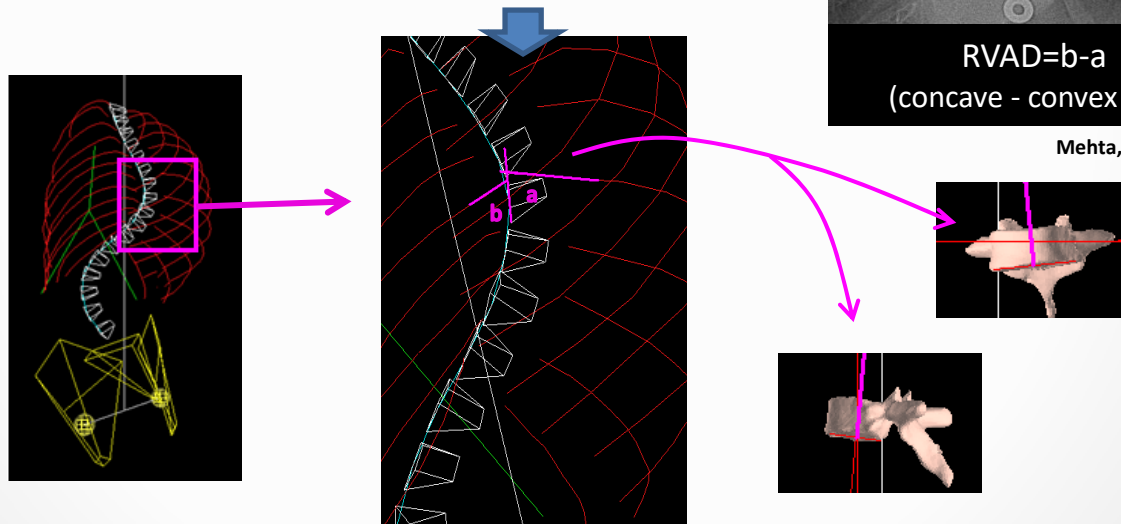
Measurement methods

■ From T4-T10:

- **RVAD** (measured on PA radiograph, Mehta's method) ➡
- « True » **RVAD3D**: Computed in 3D

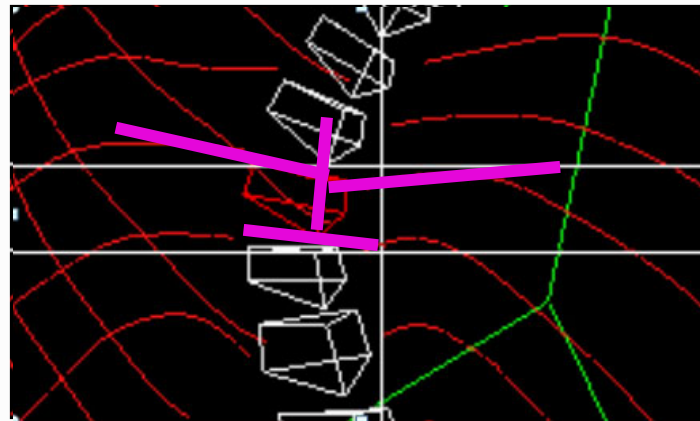
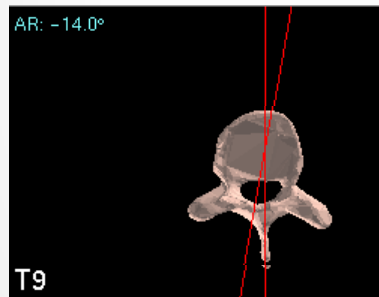


Mehta, 1972



Measurement methods (cont'd)

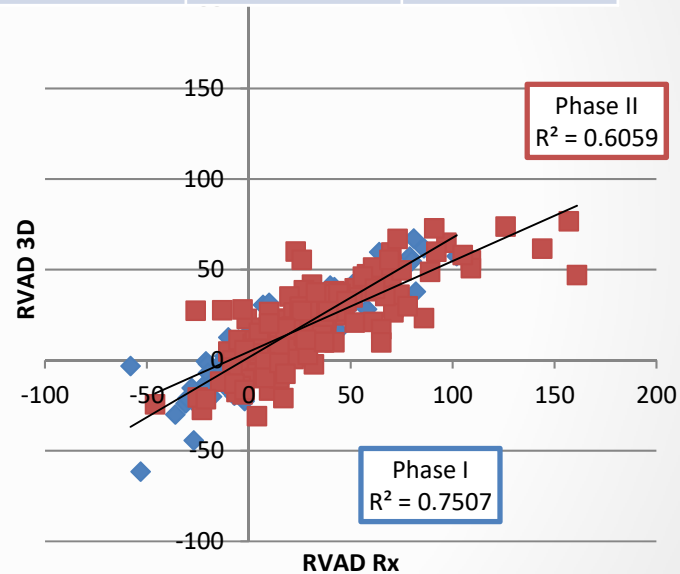
- **Axial vertebral rotation (Stokes' method)**
- **Local RVAD**
 - Measured in the local plane of the vertebra (similarly to Stagnara's plan d'election) using the 3D reconstruction



Results

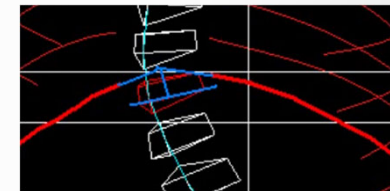
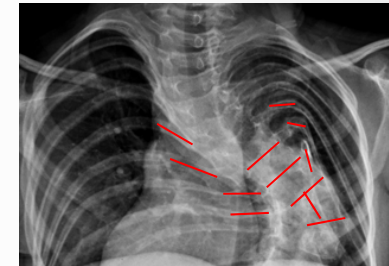
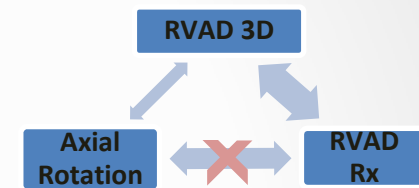
	Apex level		Maximum	
	RVAD	RVAD 3D	RVAD	RVAD 3D
Phase I	$12 \pm 9^\circ$	$2 \pm 12^\circ$	$38 \pm 24^\circ$	$29 \pm 15^\circ$
Phase II	$22 \pm 19^\circ$	$7 \pm 22^\circ$	$61 \pm 39^\circ$	$40 \pm 16^\circ$

- ▶ RVAD varies depending of the measurement technique, but are correlated
- ▶ Phase II > Phase I
- ▶ The RVAD not associated w/ spinal axial rotation at apex, but correlated at max. level



Discussion and Conclusion

- ▶ RVAD is a projection of 3D geometry of chest wall/spine
 - Not true representation of 3D nature of deformity
 - Compound of factors : Projection, axial rotation, chest wall/spine asymmetry
 - RVAD is really a spine to rib (chest wall) measure and not a rotation measure
 - Challenge to measure on deformed/curved ribs
- ▶ **RVAD 3D**
 - True deformation of rib cage in relation to spine



Summary

- Predicting outcomes in EOS = challenge
- Current knowledge mostly based on 2D information
 - RVAD, Cobb Angle, type of deformity
- This is a true 3D deformity
- Probably best evaluated in 3D but still needs work to determine which parameters can be used in prediction

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