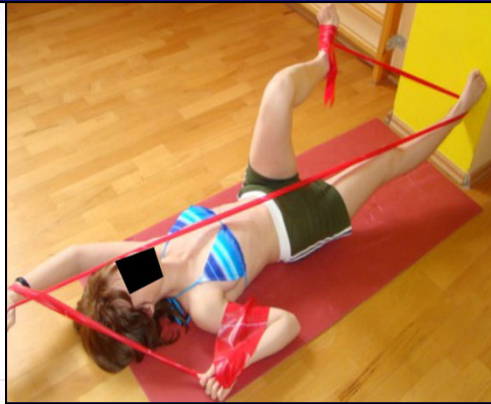
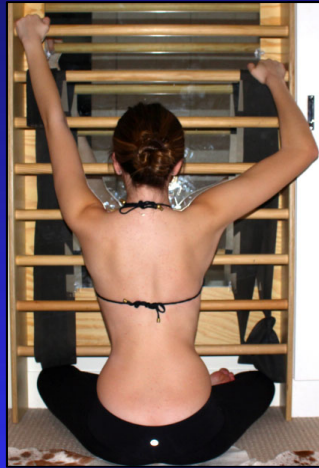
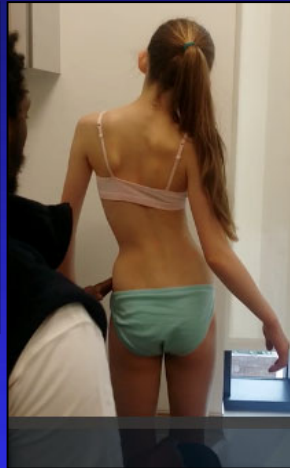


Scoliosis Specific Exercises in Early Onset Scoliosis



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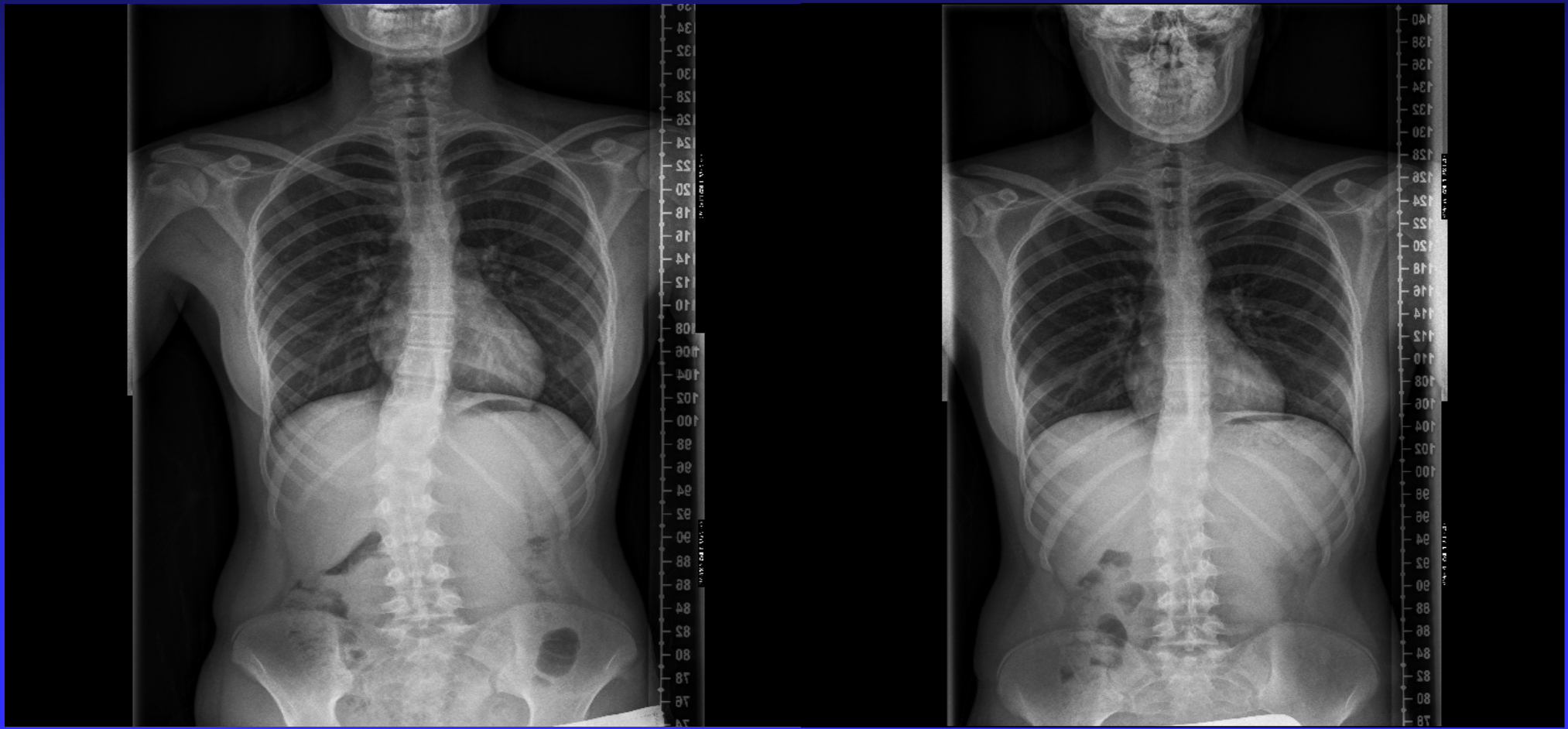
Conservative Treatment

Resurgence of Interest in “Aggressive Bracing” and Scoliosis-Specific PT

- **Center for Conservative Treatment of Scoliosis**
 - **Scoliosis Specific PT**
 - **RSC Smart Bracing**

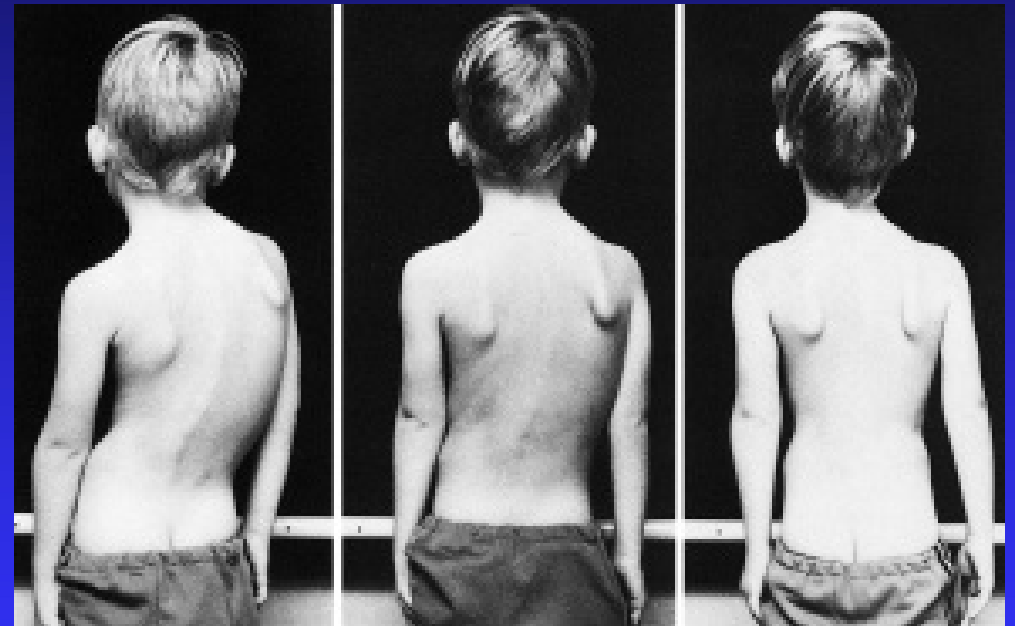
Empiricism via a Case Report

8 y/o after 6 months of Schroth NO Brace



Rationale for SSE

- **Emerging Evidence**
- **Patient Demand**
- **Relationship Build**
- **Prehab and Post op Rehab**



5 year old patient compliant with Schroth Exercises

Day 1



Week 1



Week 8



Postural Control at 8 weeks

Febr 2009

April 2009



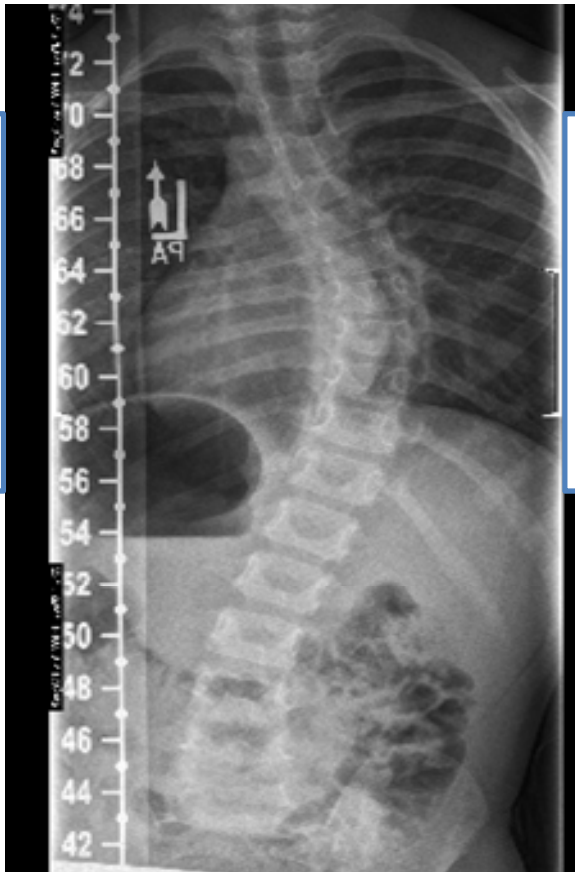
X ray at 8 Weeks

Improvement of Cobb angle: 16°

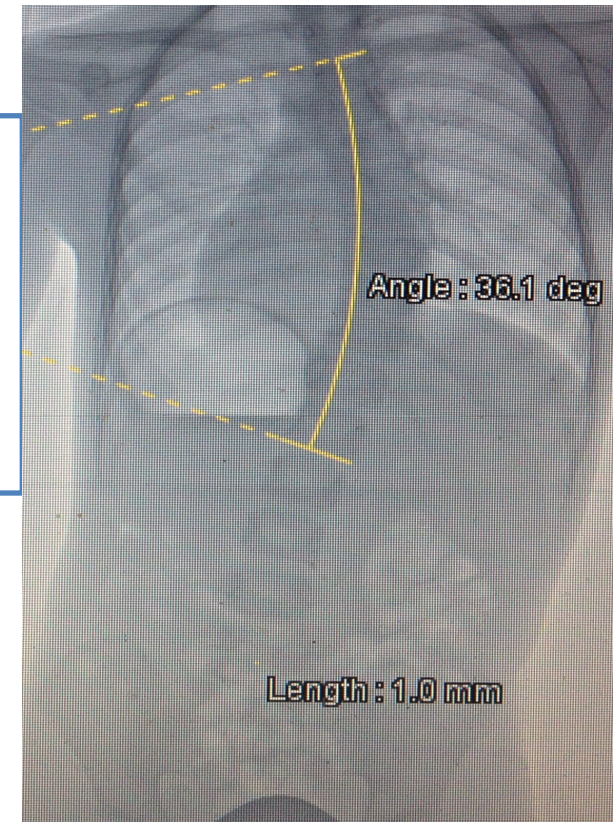
Initial X-ray 52° Cobb

X-ray before bracing 36° Cobb

First X-ray
October 2008
CHEO

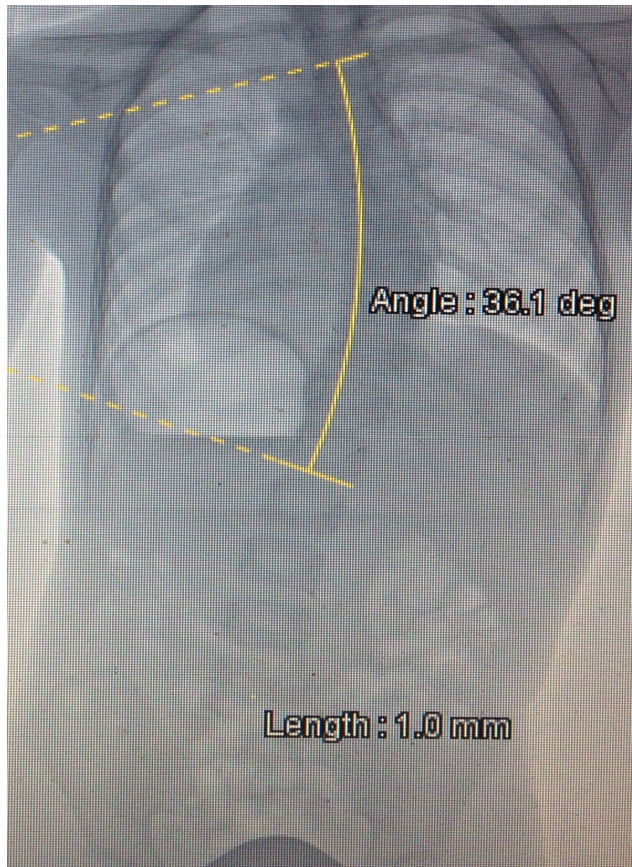


Second X-ray April
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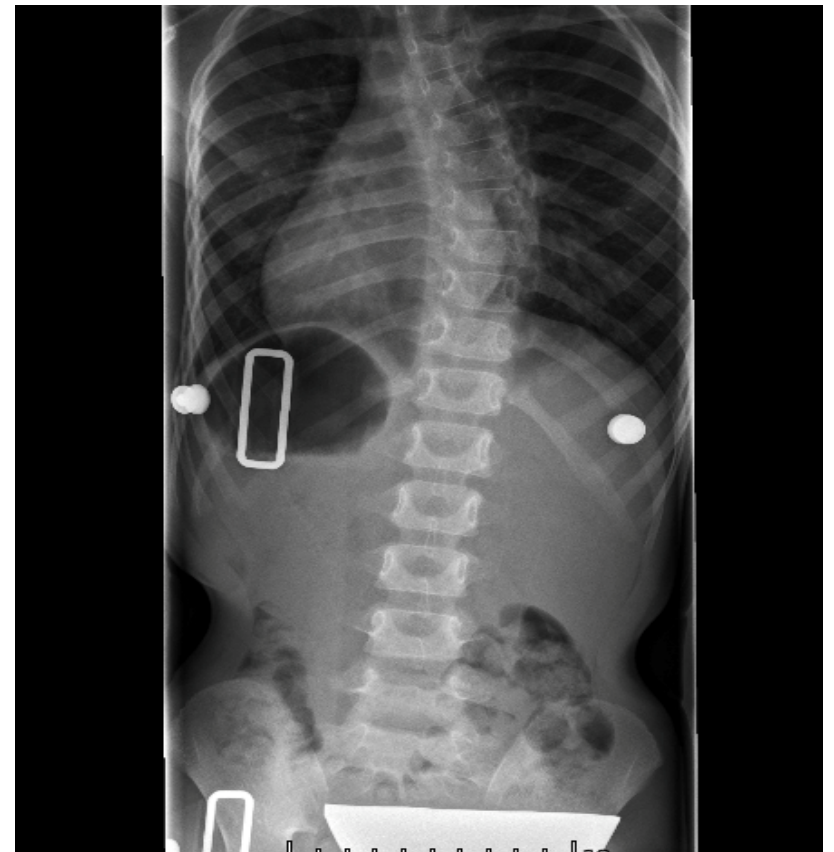


Before bracing: 36°

In Boston Brace: 32°



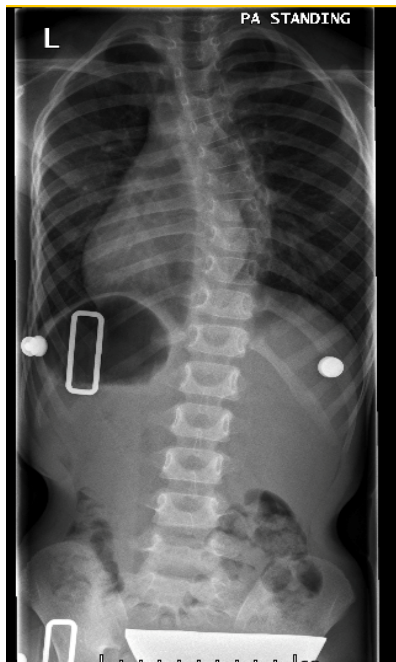
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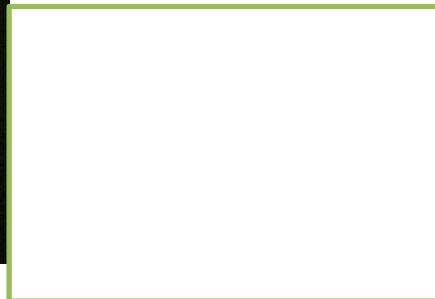
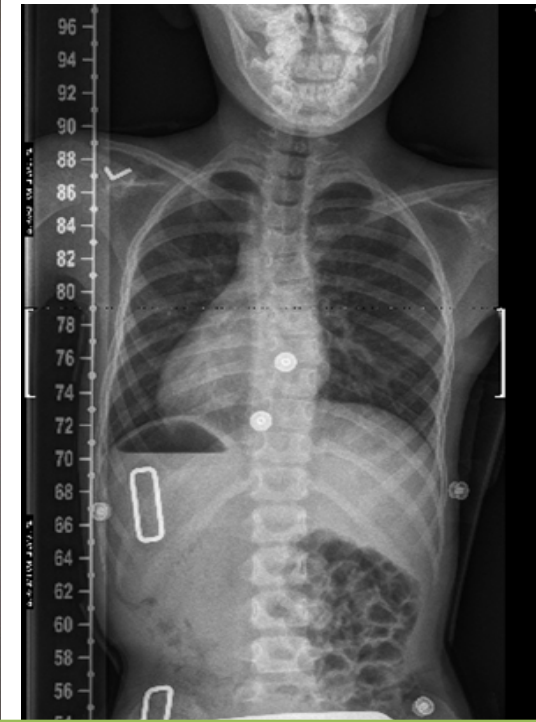
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In Brace Correction: Boston Brace - 32° Change to Rigo-Cheneau - 8°

In brace X-ray
June 2009



In brace X-ray Feb 2010



Radiographic Follow up over Time

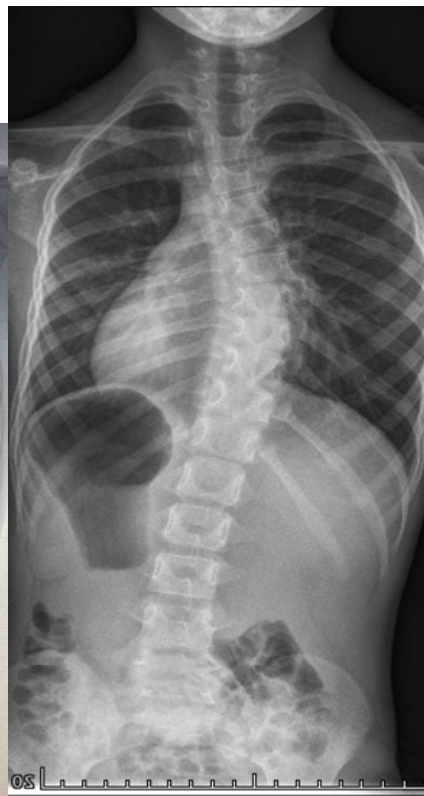
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36°

34°

20°

16°



2008/10/22

2009/03/34

2010/07/22,

2011/09/01,

2012/09/20

Evidence Supporting Schroth for AIS

4 RCT

Monticone et.al. 2013 - RCT

Study: To evaluate the effect of active self elongation and task-oriented exercises on spinal deformities and quality of life

- Experimental (SSE) and control (traditional spinal exercises)
- N = 55 each group
- Cobb
- Quality of life (SRS 22)
- Angle of Trunk Rotation (ATR)
- Analysis at skeletal maturity and 1 year after

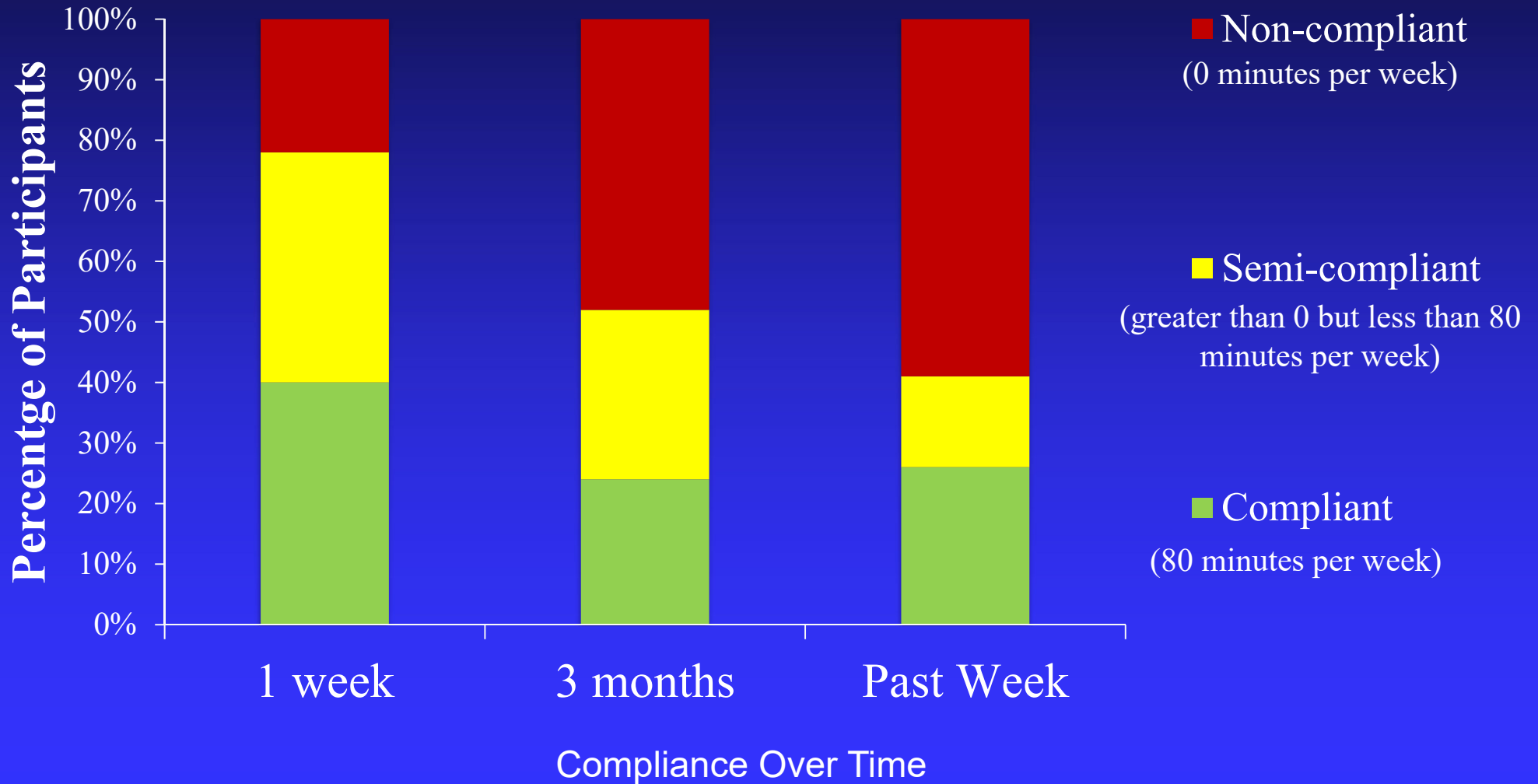


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	Group	pre-training	Post-training	1 year follow-up
Cobb (degrees)	Experimental	19.3	14.0	14.3
	Control	19.2	20.9	22.0
ATR (degrees)	Experimental	7.1	3.6	3.3
	Control	6.9	6.6	6.5

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Compliance with Schroth is a Challenge and Opportunity



Conclusions

- Conservative therapy for AIS includes **observation, bracing and/or physical therapy**
- Schroth has emerging high-quality evidence to recommend it for primary treatment of AIS, maybe select cases of JIS/EOS
- Need compliant patient and family
- Potential benefit in patient-based outcomes

Thank You

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