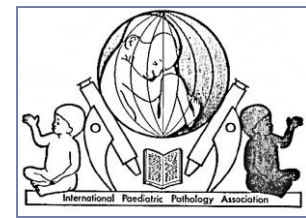


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COMMON and UNCOMMON SKELETAL DYSPLASIAS and DYSOSTOSES

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COMMON and UNCOMMON SKELETAL DISORDERS

viewed from a differential diagnostic point of view
after specific appearances

PART 1

- ✓ **FRACTURED BONES**
- ✓ **SLENDER BONES**
- ✓ **ANGULATED BONES**

PART 2

- **STIPPLED BONES**
- **ABSENT BONES**
- **DYSOSTOSES**



STIPPLED BONES (epiphyses)

- Chondrodysplasia Punctata (CDP)
 - Rhizomelic CDP, AR
 - CDP Conradi – Hünemann type, X-linked dominant
 - CDP Brachytelephalangi type, X-linked recessive
- Greenberg/HEM dysplasia
- Zellweger syndrome
- Binder phenotype (maxillofacial dysostosis) (late USS).

TOP due to short limbs or other abnormalities rather than stippling (but may be seen on

Stippling may be seen in:

- Smith-Lemli-Opitz syndrome
- Chromosomal abnormalities (tris18; tris 21)
- Metabolic disorders (lysosomal storage)
- Drug-induced embryopathies (warfarin; hydantoin; alcohol;

phenacetin)



▶ Chondrodysplasia Punctata



▶ stippling



stippling



▶ Epiphyseal stippling

STIPPLED BONES

Chondrodysplasia Punctata Rhizomelic **AR**

Deficiency of multiple or isolated peroxisomal enzymes

3 genotypes with a similar phenotype

High mortality rate in infancy

X-ray

Symmetric rhizomelic shortening

Flared metaphyses

Coronal clefting of vertebrae on lateral view

No stippling on the spine



Image from
Chondrodysplasia punctata: a clinical diagnostic and radiological review.
Irving, Melita; Chitty, Lyn; Mansour, Sahar; Hall, Christine

Clinical Dysmorphology. 17(4):229-241, October 2008.
DOI: 10.1097/MCD.0b013e3282fdcc70

STIPPLED BONES

Chondrodysplasia Punctata

Conradi - Hünemann **X-linked dominant**

Exclusively **female** patients (incompatible with life in males)

Prognosis is good.

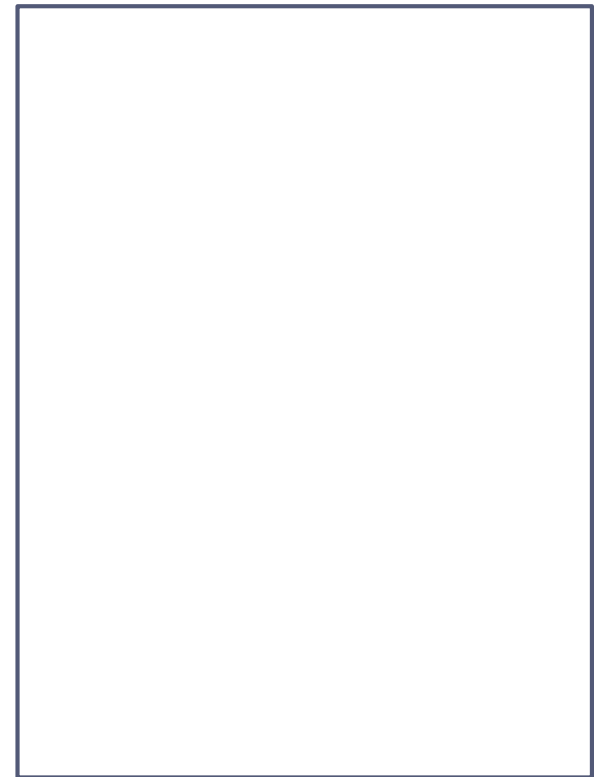
Ichthyosiform erythroderma

25% of CDP patients are the C-H type.

X-ray

Asymmetric rhizomelic shortening

Stippling in many epiphyseal areas



CDP – CH type



Rhizomelic/lethal type

Inheritance: Autosomal recessive

Symmetric rhizomelic limb shortening

Stippling in spine absent/coronal clefts present

Stippling noted in large joints, sparing hands and feet Laryngeal and tracheal cartilage stippling also present

Mental retardation present and death in infancy

Conradi-Hunermann type

Inheritance: X-linked dominant

Asymmetric and occasional limb shortening

Spine: stippling present at endplates and bodies, later leads to kyphoscoliosis

Hands and feet also involved in addition to large joints. No extracartilaginous stippling

Compatible with normal intelligence and normal life span

Differences between Rhizomelic and Conradi-Hunermann type Chondrodysplasia punctata

World J Radiol.2014 October 28; 6(10): 808-825.

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STIPPLED BONES

Chondrodysplasia Punctata

Brachytelephalangic X-linked recessive
mutations in the arylsulfatase E gene

Exclusively **male** patients

Polyhydramnios described

Spinal cord compression and respiratory problems
in some severe cases

X-ray

Stippling in multiple epiphyses

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Paravertebral and laryngotracheal
regions

Stippling not seen at 14/40w and
22/40w in fetuses with proven CDP-
XR.



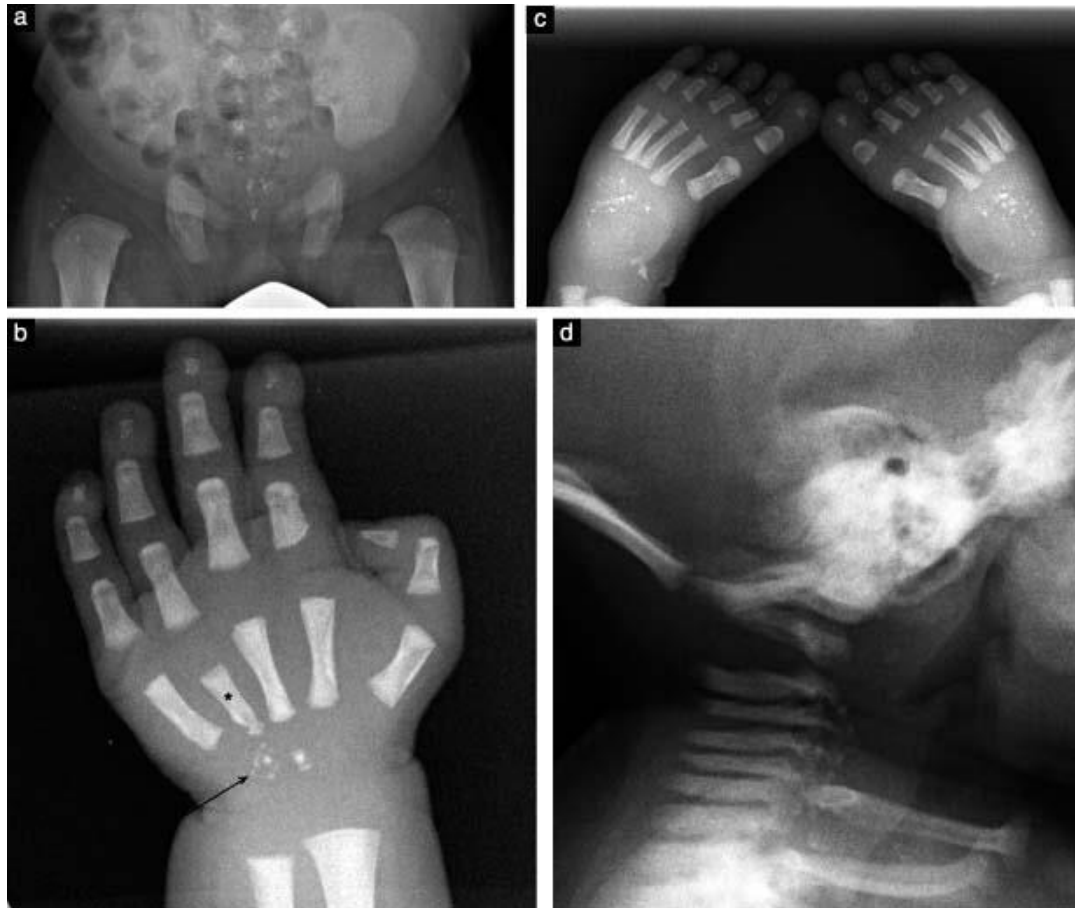
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▶ laryngotracheal stippling

Prenatal diagnosis of brachytelephalangi chondrodysplasia punctata: case report



hypoplastic
4th
metacarpal

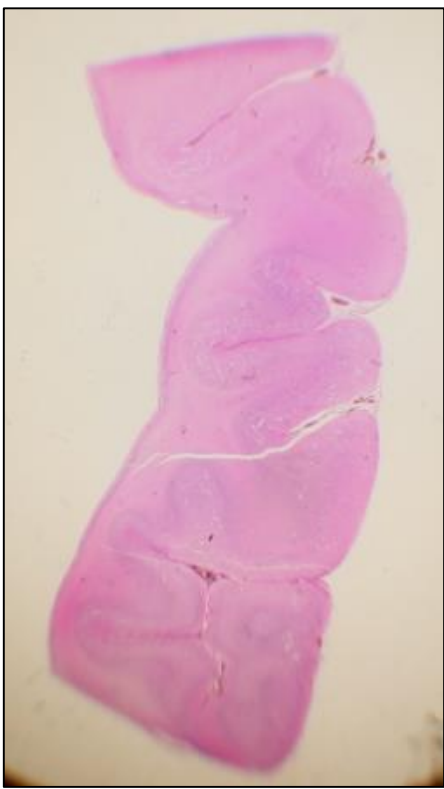
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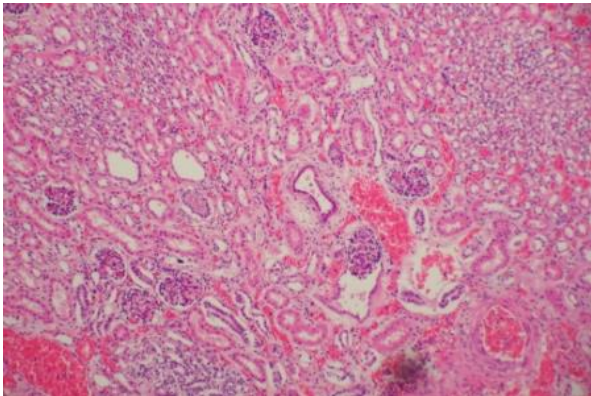
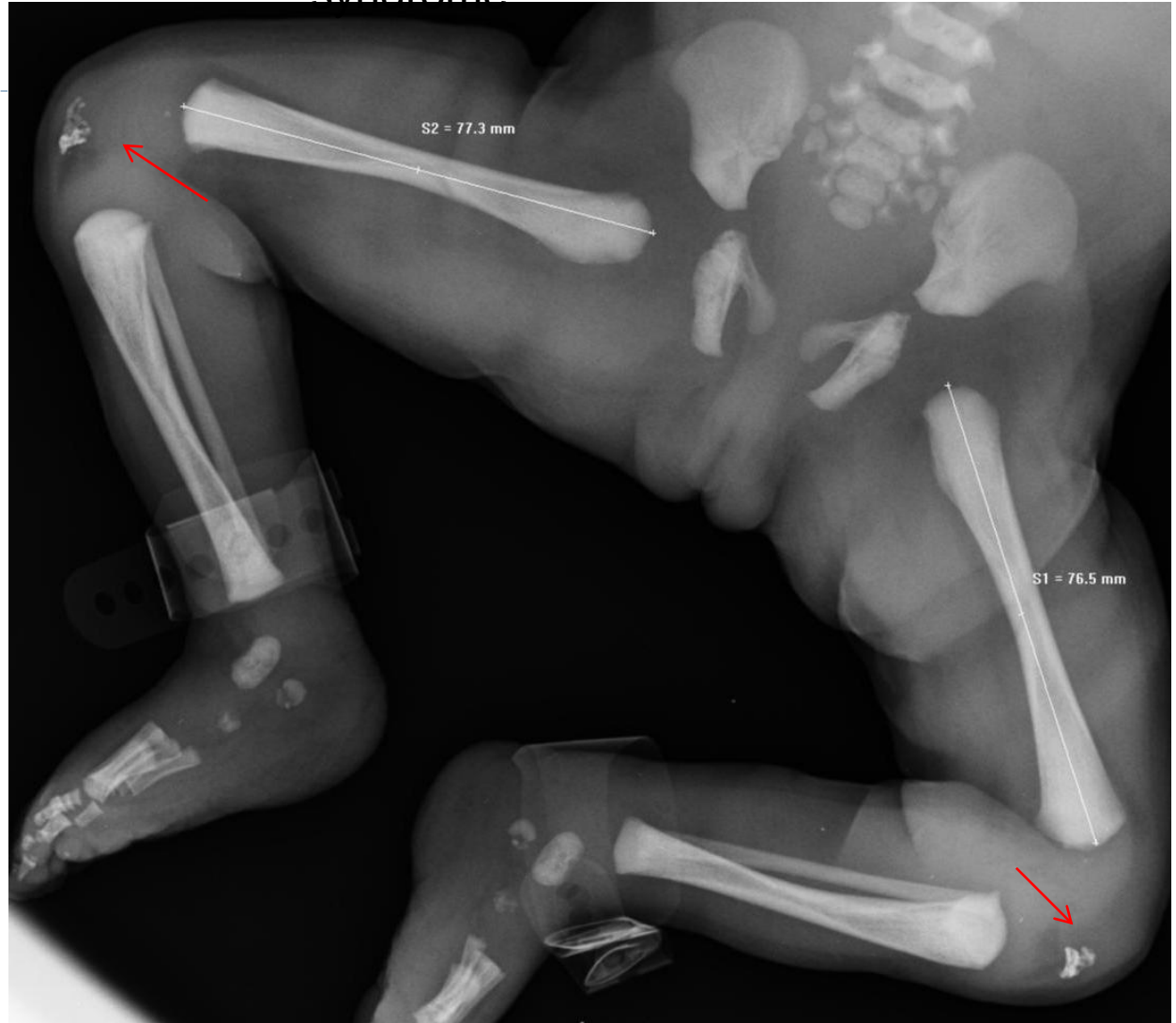
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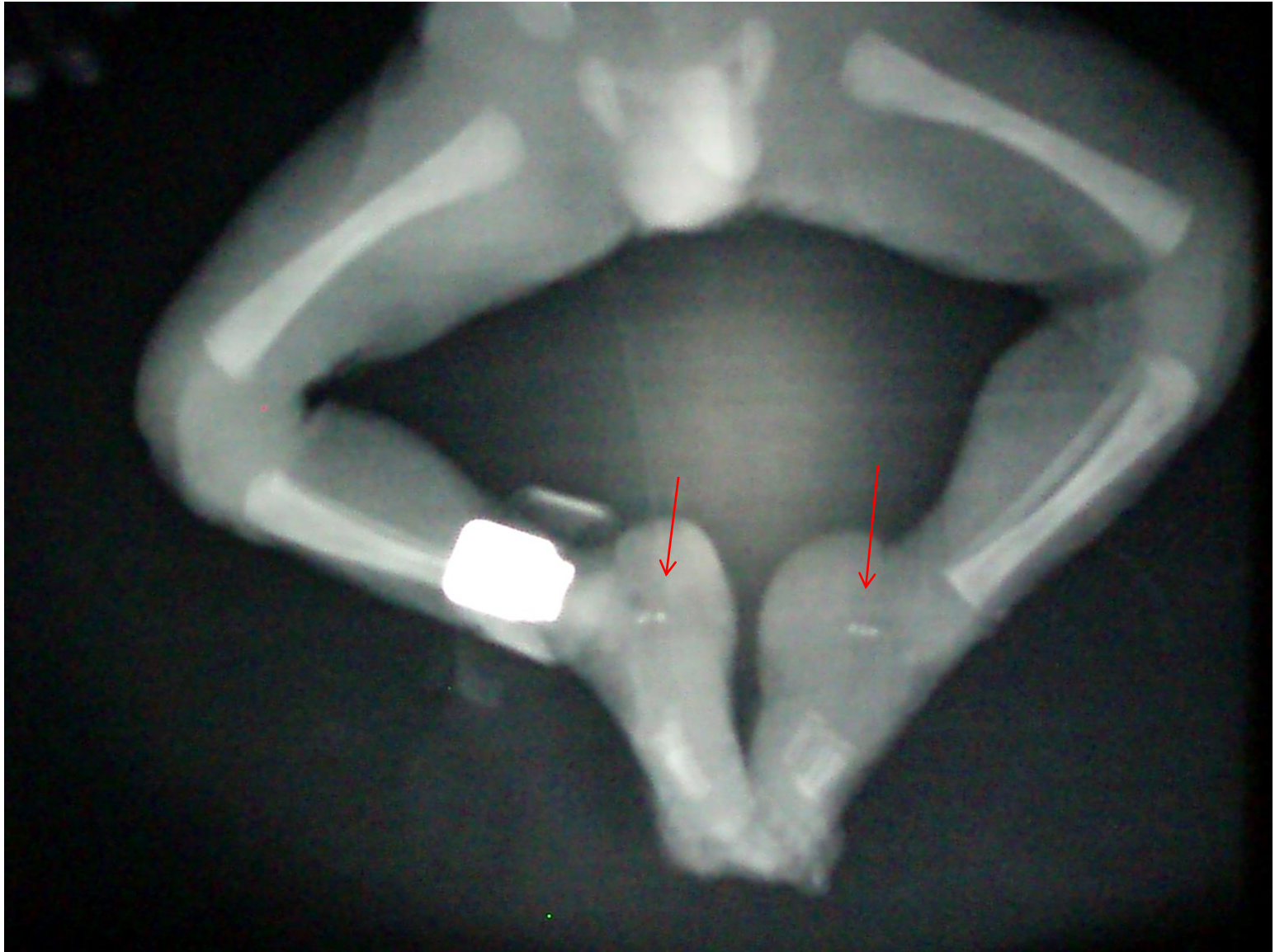
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Stippling in Zellweger syndrome

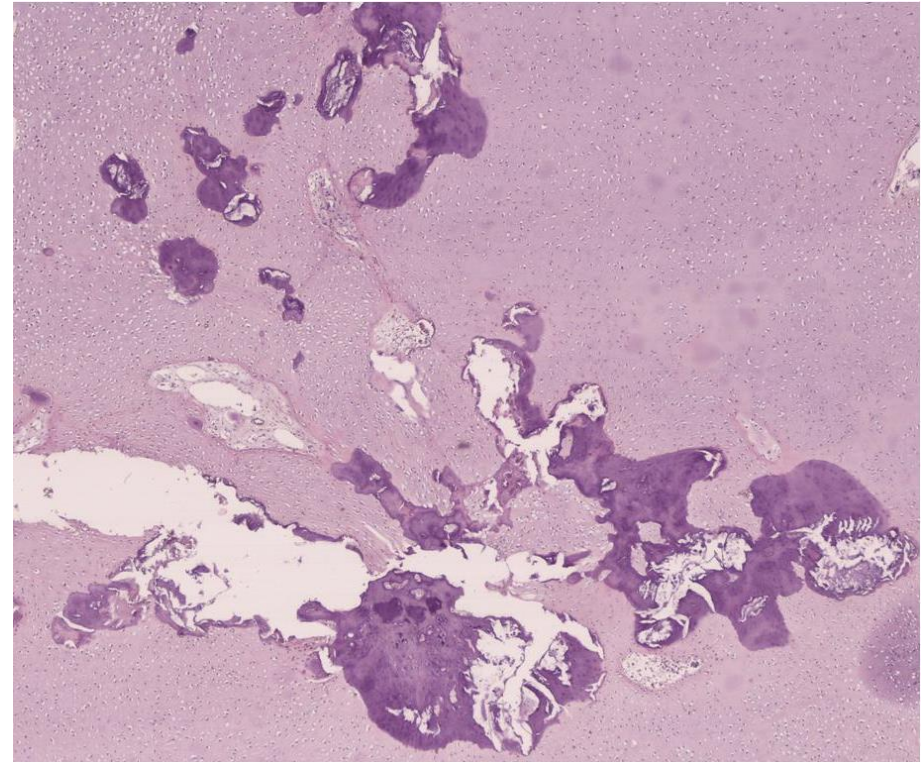
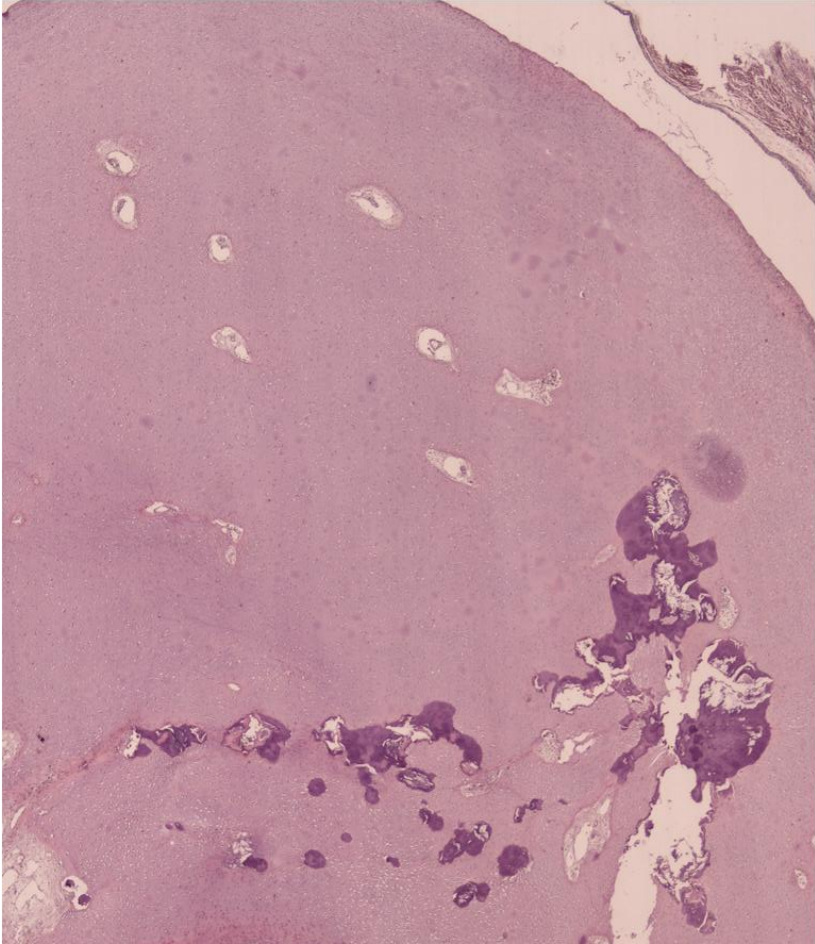


Abnormal patella calcification

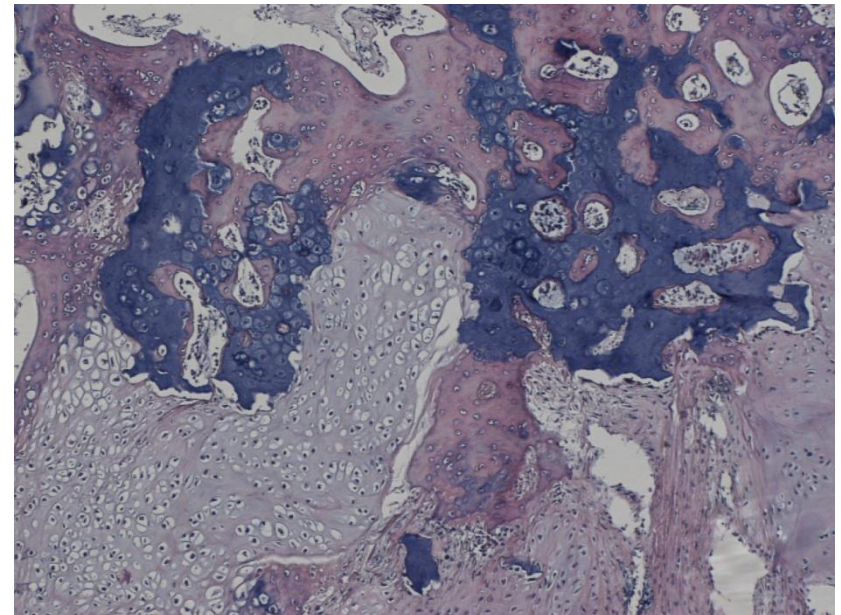
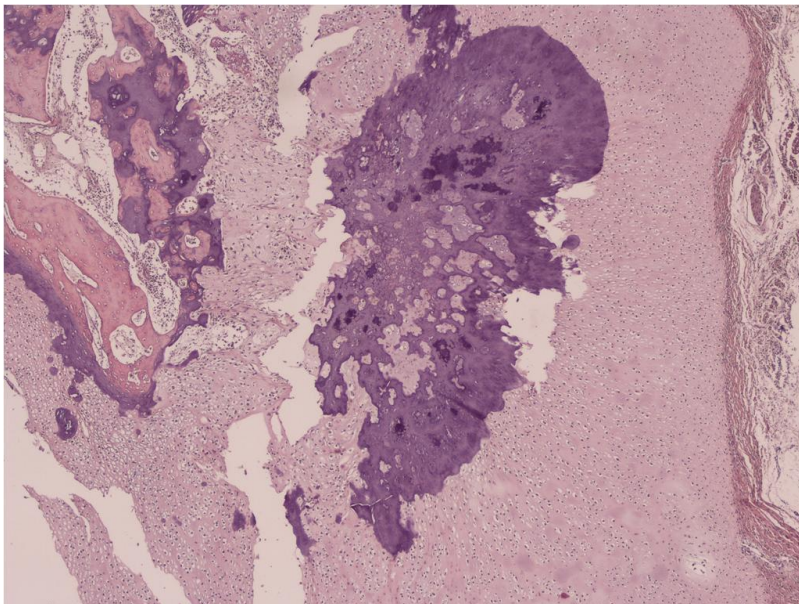
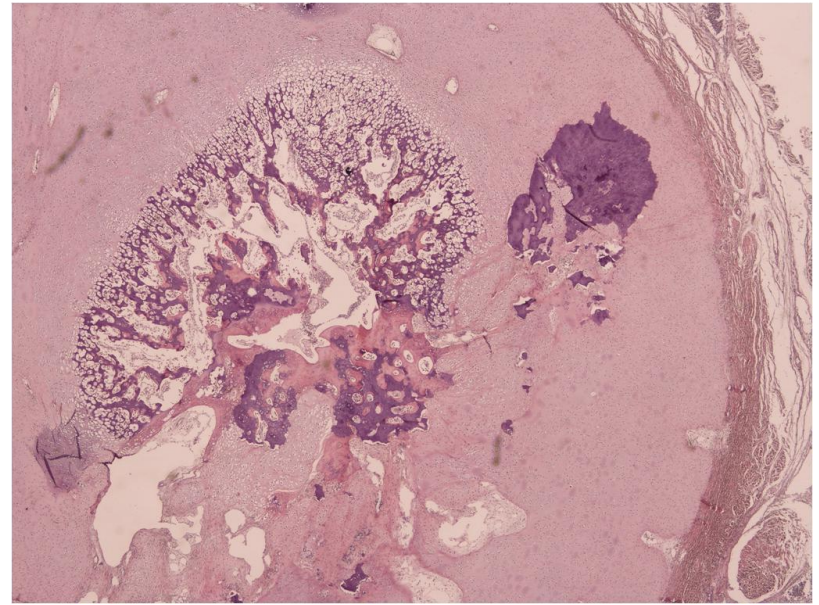
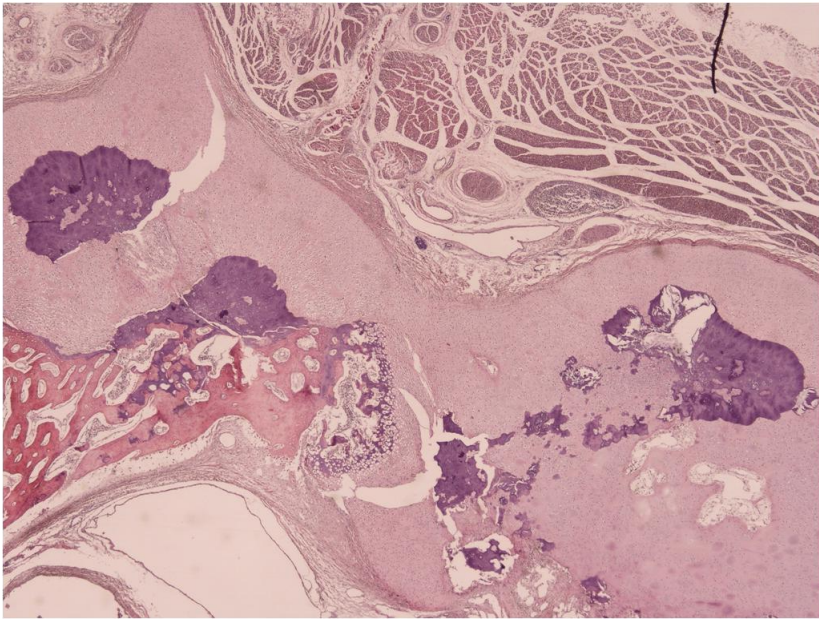


▶ Stippled tarsal bones in maternal
21.5

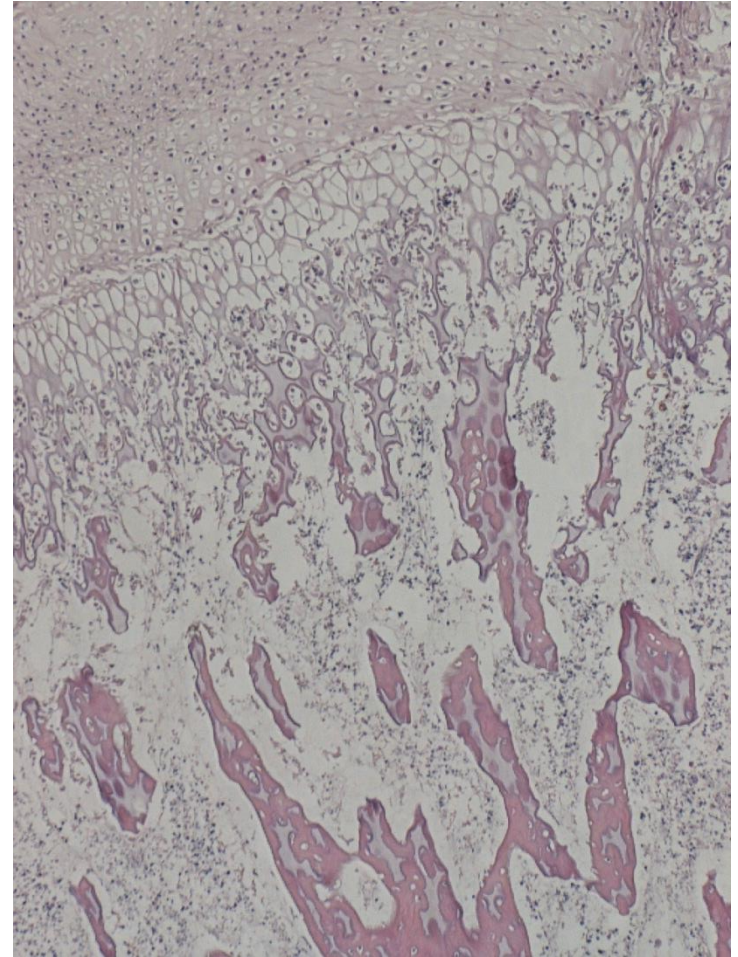
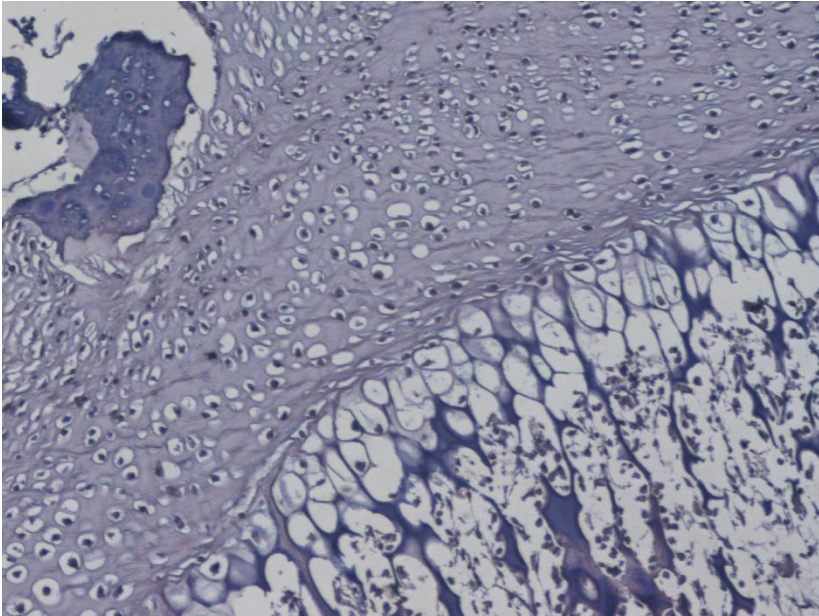
CDP Histology



▶ **Stippling:** abnormal calcification in the resting cartilage of the femoral head



Abnormal ossification and stippling of the vertebrae



Femur: severely retarded physeal growth plate

STIPPLED BONES

Binder Phenotype in Chondrodysplasia Punctata

Maxillonasal dysplasia/dysostosis

a flat profile without nasal eminence,
contrasting with nasal bones of normal
length

- midface hypoplasia
- absence of anterior nasal spine
- flat profile with convex upper lip
- flat or depressed nasal bridge
- obtuse or flat fronto-nasal angle
- short columella with normal philtrum
- acute naso-labial angle with peri-alar flatness



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- ▶ Binder phenotype is associated with CDP of various types, more so with the brachytelephalangic type.



► Binder phenotype



▶ Binder phenotype



► Binder phenotype on USS



▶ Binder phenotype on 3-D
USS

STIPPLED BONES

HEM / Greenberg Dysplasia

HEM: Hydrops - Ectopic calcification - Moth-eaten dysplasia

AR mutations in *LBR* gene encoding lamin B receptor

Lethal *in utero*

Gross:

Fetal hydrops

Severe micromelia

(can be confused with Achondrogenesis)

Patient fibroblasts show increased levels of cholesta-8,14-dien-3-beta-ol, suggesting

a defect of sterol metabolism. (Summary by Konstantinidou et al. *Prenatal Diag.* 28: 309-312, 2008)



Greenberg Dysplasia

X-ray

Severe shortening of all long bones
with a moth-eaten radiographic
appearance

Platyspondyly

D/d from Achondrogenesis

Greenberg Dysplasia

Histology: Disorganization of chondroosseous calcification and ectopic ossification centers

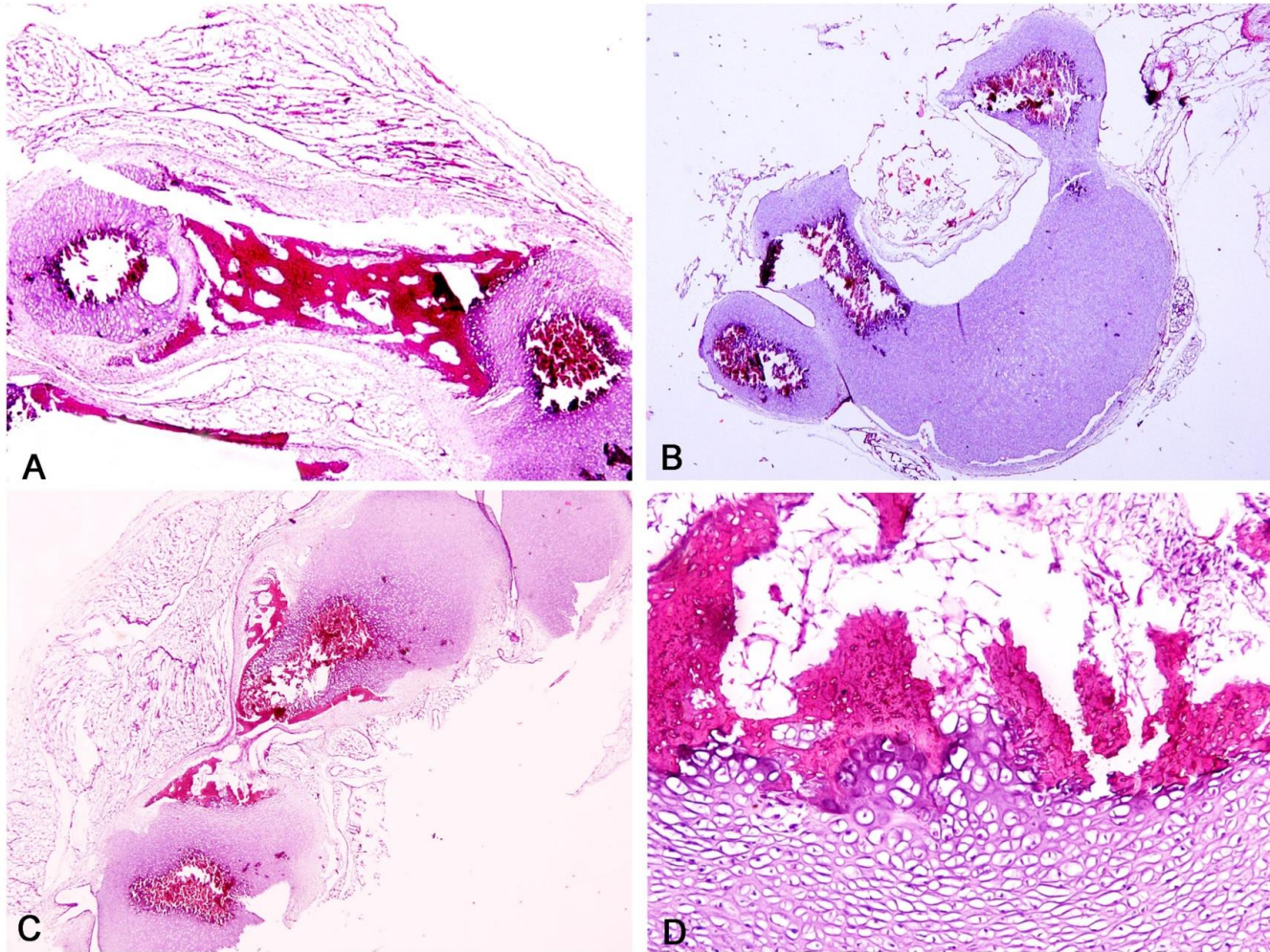


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ABSENT BONES

Limb hypoplasia - reduction defects

- Terminal transverse LRD
- Cornelia de Lange syndrome
- Split hand – foot malformation group
- Roberts syndrome
- Tetra-amelia syndrome

Other :

- Filamin B disorders
- Grebe dysplasia
- Femoral hypoplasia group
- Radial aplasia disorders
- Ulnar, Fibular ,Tibial aplasia disorders

▶ The list is not exhaustive ...

ABSENT BONES

Limb Reduction defects (LRD)

Terminal Transverse LRD

Usually sporadic

Secondary etiology

- Amniotic bands
- Vascular

disrup



▶ When there is a constricted stump ("nubbin"), the defect is considered

de Lange syndrome **AD**

Cornelia de Lange syndrome

Brachmann - de Lange syndrome

“Cohesinopathy”

Mutations in *NIPBL* gene, encoding protein delangin, involved in the chromosome cohesion apparatus

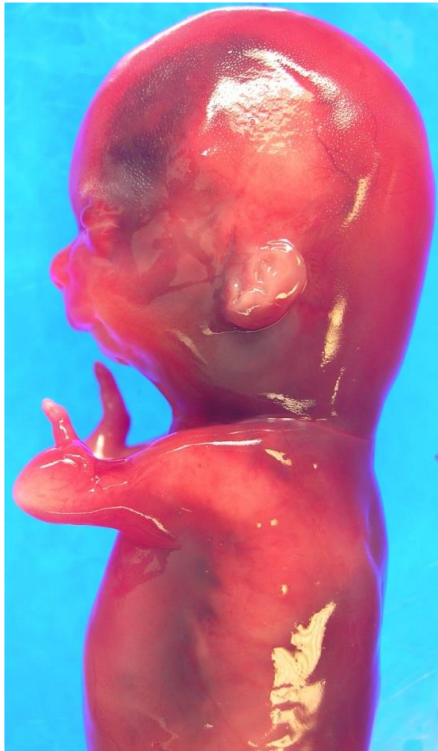
more often than core cohesion subunits SMC1A and SMC3.

intellectual
disability

Limb defect:

“*Chicken wing*” short arms with a single digit (monodactyly) representing the hand bilaterally

Pterygium formation on the inner part of the elbows



Typical facial features:

long philtrum, retrognathia, hypertelorism, synophrys, eyelashes may be visible.



Cornelia de Lange syndrome

Image from:

*Skeletal Dysplasias. In: The Pediatric and Perinatal Autopsy Manual
edited by Marta C. Cohen, Irene Scheimberg. Cambridge University Press 2014*

Split hand – foot malformation group (SHF)

Split hand – foot malformation isolated (SHFM

1-5)

Split hand – foot malformation with long bone deficiency

(SHFLD 1-3)

AD



cleft hand
“lobster claw” shaped



Split hand – foot malformation with long bone deficiency

(SHFLD)



Split right hand, bifid left femur, transverse left limb defect, and hypoplasia of other long bones

The full-blown syndrome: bilateral aplasia of the tibiae and split-hand/split-foot deformity

Various combinations may occur.

Long bone deficiency: usually **tibial** hypoplasia / aplasia

- ▶ Distal hypoplasia or bifurcation of the femurs, hypo- or aplasia of the ulnas, and hypoplastic toes may be included; fibular hypoplasia/aplasia has also been reported.

Split right hand, hypoplastic angulated femurs, bilateral tibial and radial hypoplasia, fibular and ulnar aplasia, and hypoplasia of long bones in feet

Phocomelias

(Greek *phoka* = seal, *melos* = limb; *phocomelia* = seal limb)

Roberts syndrome (RS) **AR** Roberts Phocomelia

Autosomal Recessive “Cohesinopathy”
mutations in *ESCO2* gene, encoding a protein required for the establishment of sister chromatid cohesion during S phase

In 50% of cases the chromosomes present the typical RS effect with centromere puffing and sister chromatid separation in areas of constitutive heterochromatin.

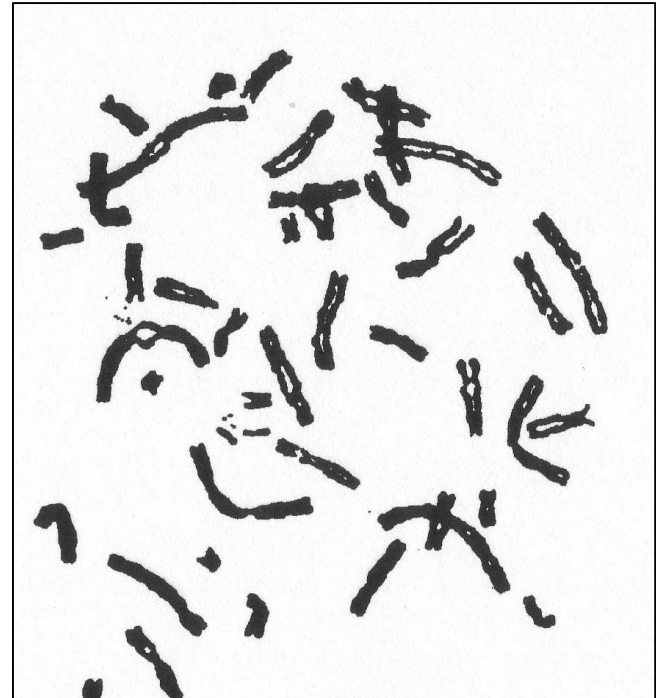


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Pavlopoulos PM, Konstantinidou AE, et al.
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Roberts syndrome (RS)

AR

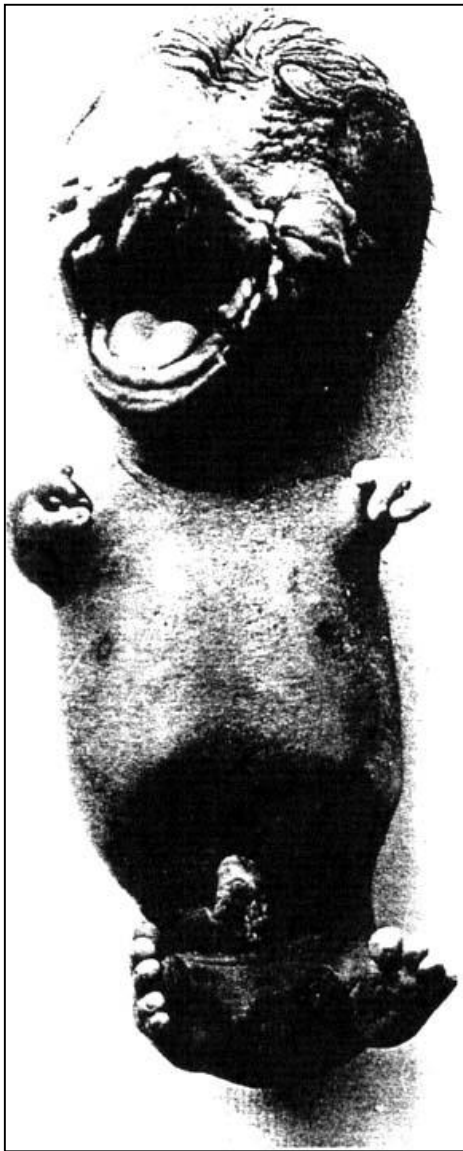
Alternatively the syndrome is called

“Long bone deficiencies associated with cleft lip-palate”

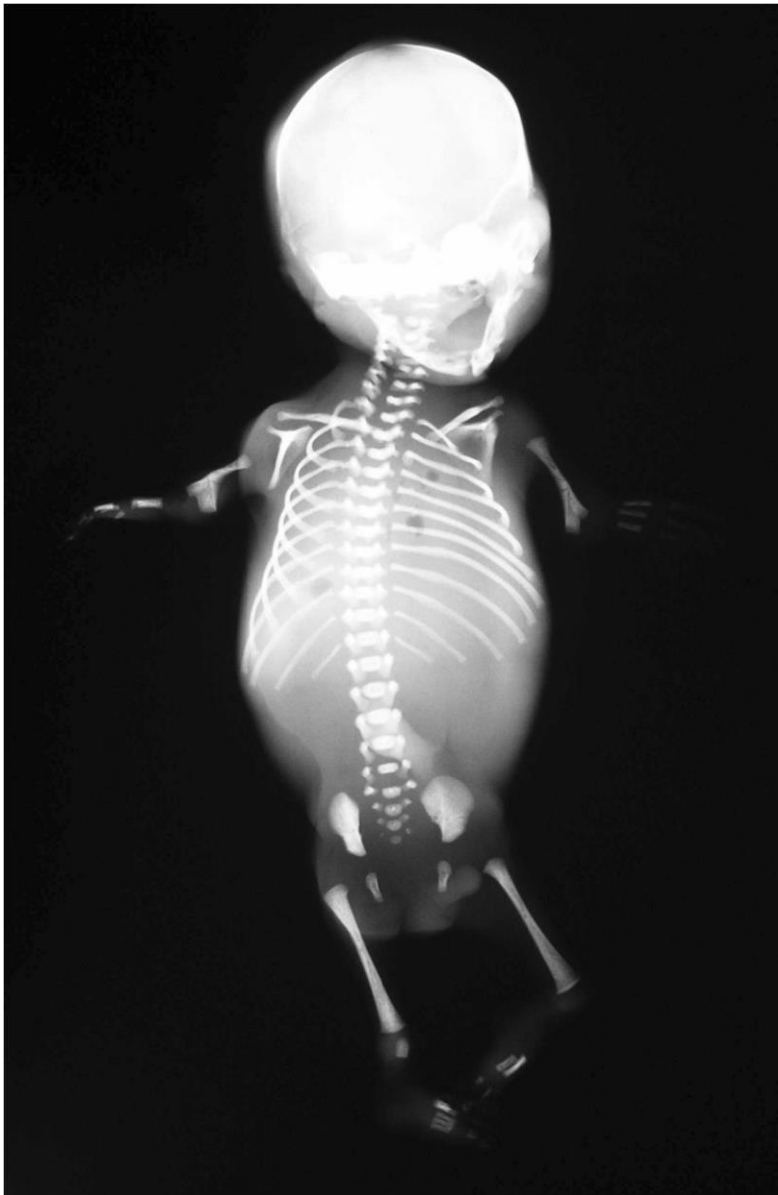
or

“Pseudothalidomide syndrome”.

- Facial clefting
- Symmetrical limb defects resulting in tetraphocomelia in most cases
- hypertelorism,
- facial hemangioma
- clitoral or penile enlargement



A severely affected fetus with RS exhibiting tetraphocomelia and meningocele herniating through a large craniofacial bony defect.



Milder form of RS

Flaring of the distal humerus bilaterally

Absent thumbs

Poorly developed or absent mesomelic bones bilaterally

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Tetra-amelia syndrome **AR**

WNT3 gene mutations

Absence of all 4 limbs *(Greek: tetra = four)*



- ▶ Craniofacial, urogenital, cardiopulmonary, CNS, and skeletal malformations. The lungs are severely hypoplastic or aplastic.

ABSENT BONES

Longitudinal bone reduction defects

Atelosteogenesis (AO) type 1 and 3 Spondylo-humero-femoral hypoplasia

Boomerang Dysplasia

very rare

Allelic disorders

Continuous pathological spectrum

Filaminopathies

Mutations in *FLMNB* gene

Filamin B cytoskeletal protein

Severity

Boomerang >AO1> AO3> Larsen
syndrome





AO1:
brachydactyly

Severe micromelia
Bowed limbs
Thoracic hypoplasia
Severe talipes (frog-like
position)
Micrognathia +/- Cleft palate
(Hydrops – polyhydramnios)



AO1



AO/Boomerang

X-ray

- Abnormal spinal ossification
- Hypoplastic/absent humeri
- Hypoplastic/absent femurs
- Absent fibulae
- Absent bones in hands and feet

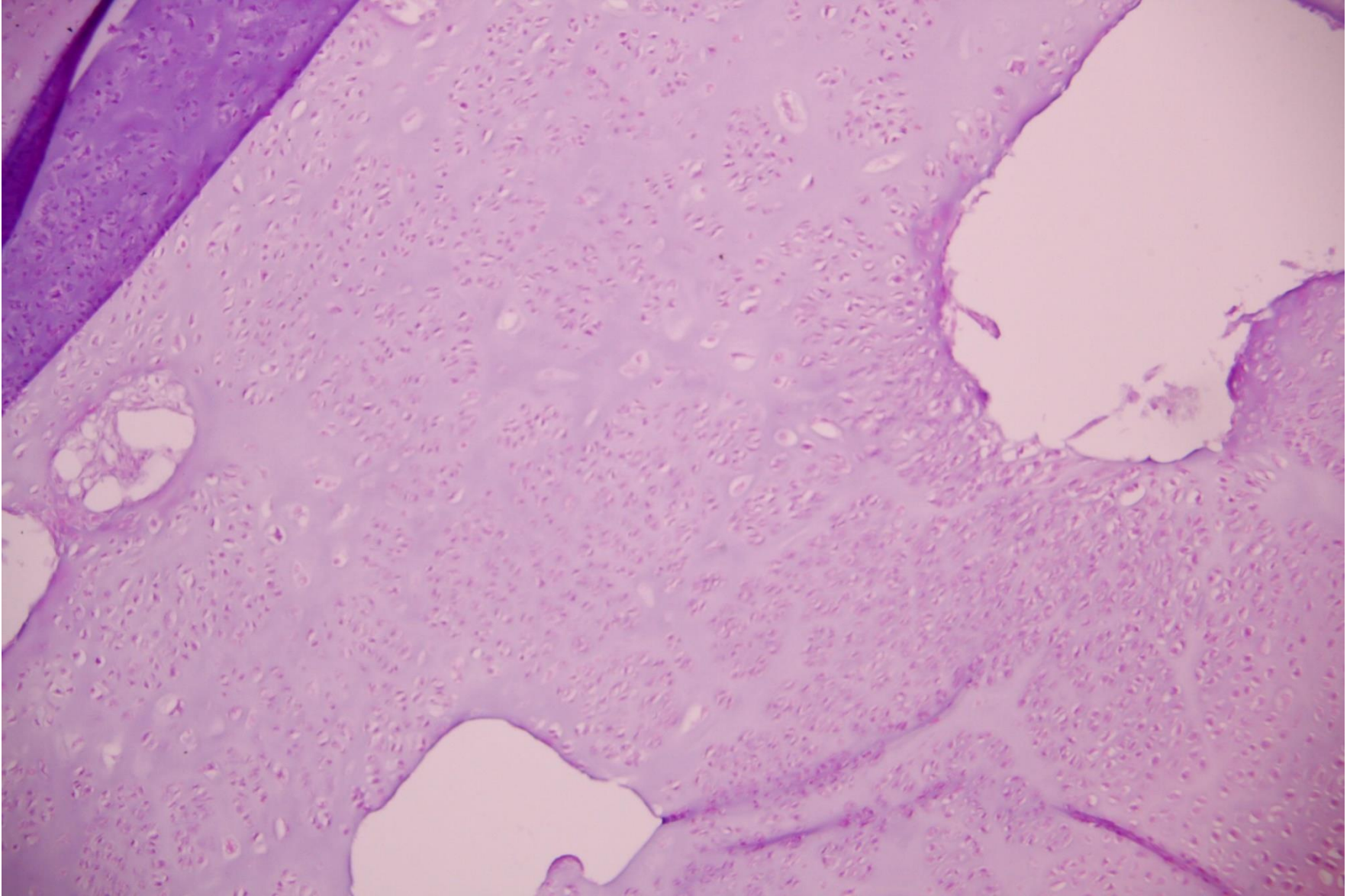
Note:

Distal tapering
(also seen in AO2)
Bizarre shapes, e.g. block shaped

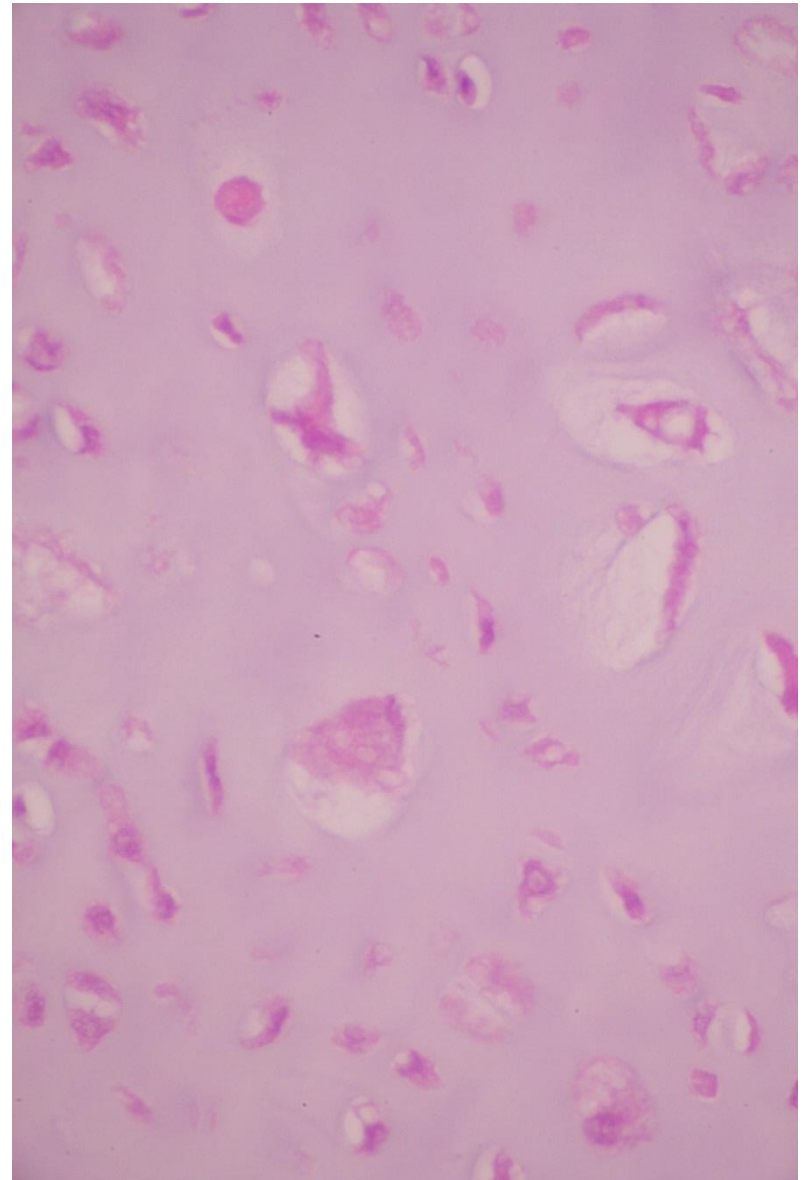
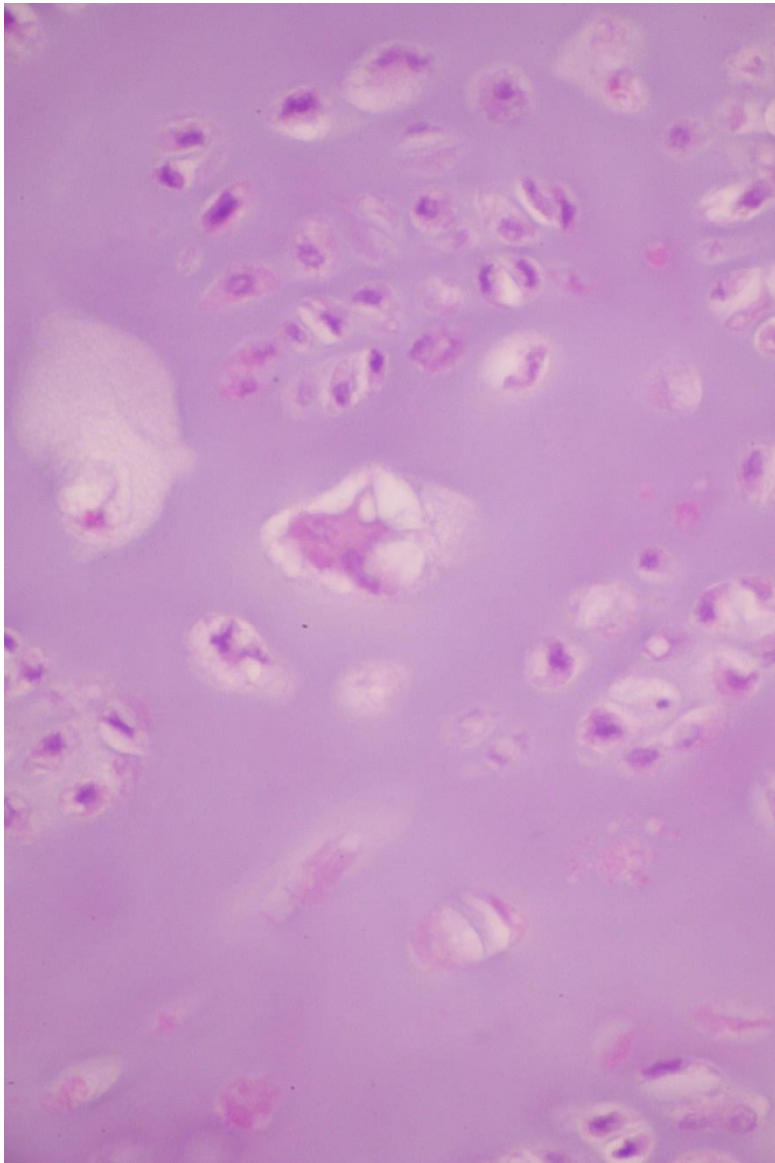


▶ *Absent bones*: humerus, femur, carpal, metacarpal, metatarsal, proximal and middle phalanges

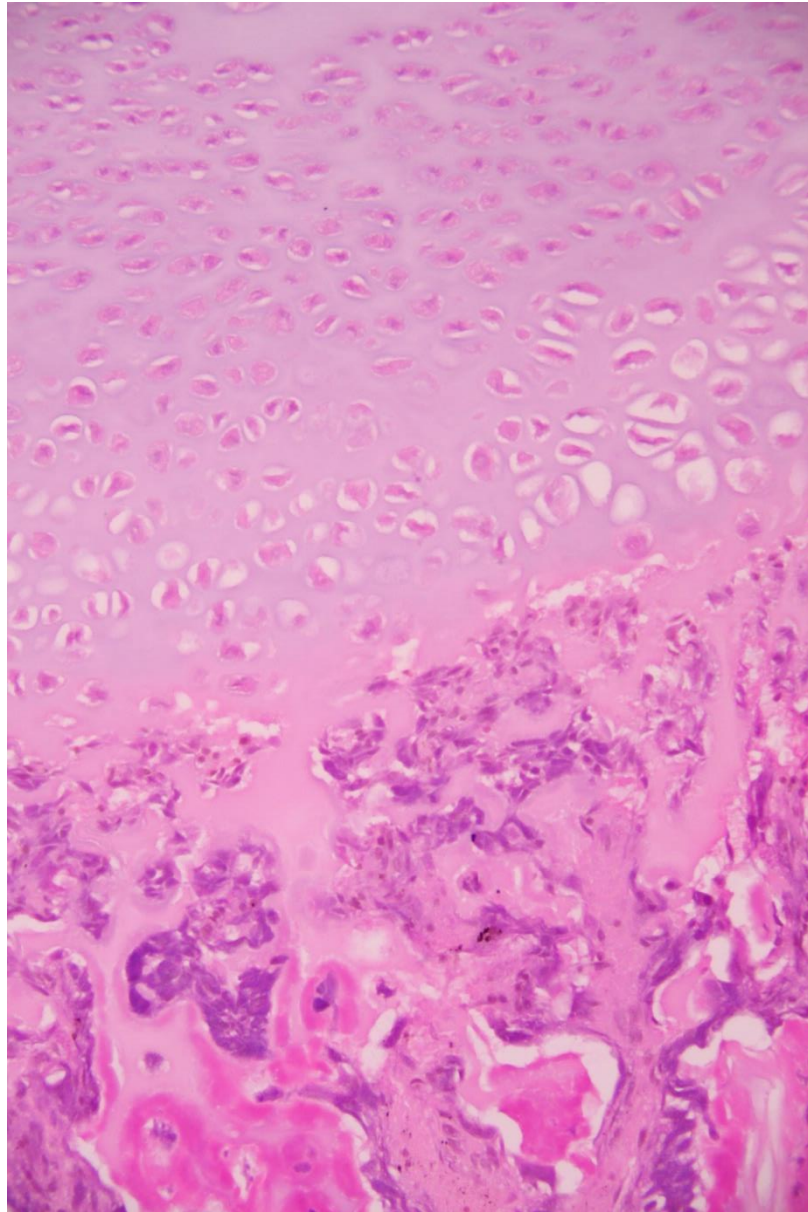
Histology



▶ Hypocellular areas interspersed with normal cellularity



▶ AO1 and Boomerang: "Giant" multinucleated chondrocytes



Severely retarded, focally disorganised physeal growth plate

ABSENT BONES

Longitudinal bone reduction defects

Grebe dysplasia **AR**
(du Pan Brachydactyly – Fibular aplasia)

GDMP1 (GDF5) mutations

TOP at 22/40 weeks

On USS:

Bilateral talipes. Both fibulas missing.
Short long bones (under 5th c.)



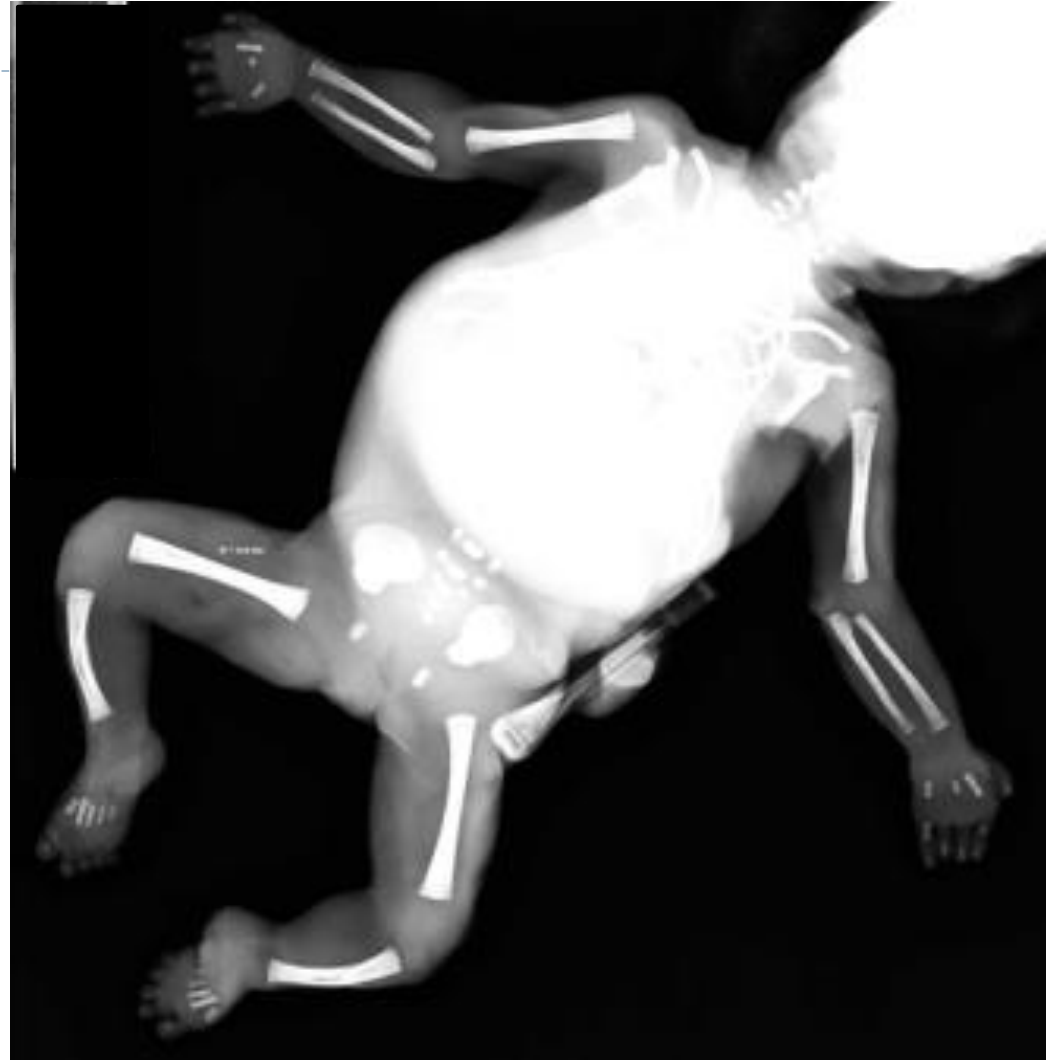
brachydactyly



Grebe dysplasia – X-ray



Missing fibula
Short, slightly bent tibia



Irregular and missing metacarpal
bones

Grebe dysplasia

(du Pan Brachydactyly – Fibular aplasia): [Acro-mesomelic dysplasia](#)

ABSENT BONES

Longitudinal bone reduction defects

- Femoral hypoplasia group (presented under “angulated bones”)
- Tibial aplasia /hypoplasia: sporadic or AR (tibial hemimelia), also seen with the SHFLD group as AD
- Fibular aplasia /hypoplasia: relatively common, mostly sporadic, also seen in the “femoral hypoplasia group”
- Ulnar aplasia /hypoplasia: rare, associated with craniosynostosis syndromes
- Radial aplasia /hypoplasia disorders: radial ray anomaly, most common LRD



Radial aplasia / hypoplasia / Radial ray (Rr) disorders

VACTERL association

Trisomy 18 and tris13 (occasionally)

Thrombocytopenia – Absent Radius (TAR)

Fanconi anaemia groups

Holt-Oram syndrome

de Lange syndrome

Recognisable constellation of defects

Multiple defects

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Rr +genitourinary +cardiac

+hydrocephalus

Heart + Hand defects

Upper limb LRD + typical facies

Phocomelia + cleft lip palate

Various defects

SP

Chromo

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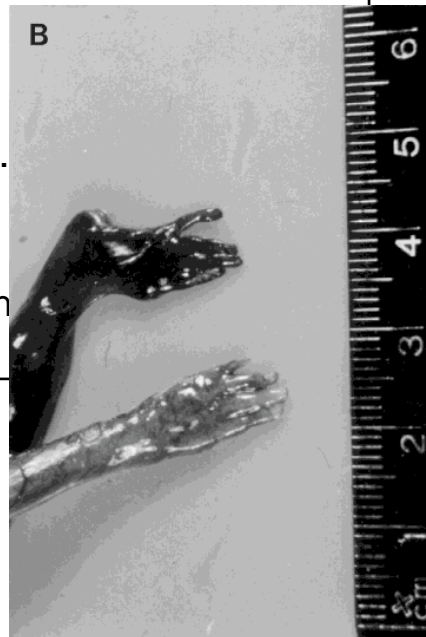
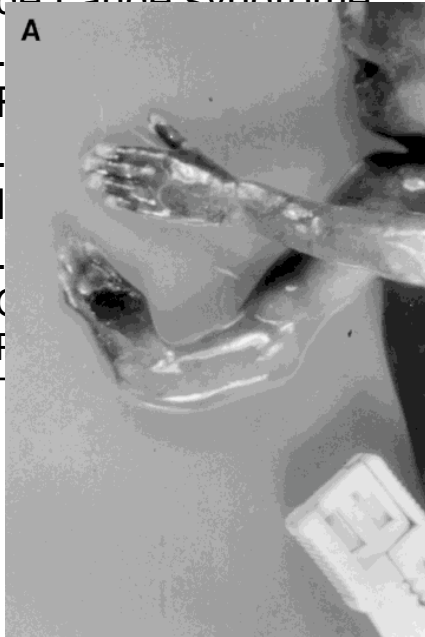
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AD

AD

AR



Radial ray field defect:

Radius: short to hypoplastic to absent

Thumb: hypoplastic to absent

Cox PM et al.

VACTERL With Hydrocephalus in Twins Due to Fanconi Anemia (FA):

Mutation in the FAC Gene. *Am J Med Genet* 68:86–90 (1997)

DYSOSTOSES

A dysostosis affects one or a few skeletal elements while the other bones remain normal.

Dysostoses can be of predominantly **craniofacial**, **axial** or **acral** involvement.

These disorders can be asymmetric.

There is usually no dwarfism.

Chondro-osseous histology is often normal.



Axial Costovertebral Dysostoses

Spondylocostal dysostosis (SCD)

Spondylothoracic dysostosis (STD)

Former **Jarcho-Levin syndrome**:

A heterogeneous group of disorders characterized by multiple spinal malsegmentation.

The label “Jarcho-Levin syndrome” is to be avoided and spared only for SCD type 1.

Fusion of ribs is necessary for the diagnosis of both SCD and STD.

It has been suggested that mild thoracic asymmetry with mild scoliosis characterises Spondylocostal dysostosis, whereas a very short but overall symmetric thorax is a feature of Spondylothoracic dysostosis.



Spondylocostal dysostosis type 1 (true Jarcho-Levin syndrome)

The **Autosomal Recessive Spondylocostal dysostosis type 1** is linked to ***DLL3*** gene defects and is likely to present **in the fetal and perinatal period**.

Patients with the early lethal form of Spondylocostal Dysostosis die perinatally with respiratory complications; other forms of the syndrome allow survival to a later age.

Major visceral malformations (neural tube defects such as spina bifida and meningomyelocele, hindbrain malformations, cardiovascular and urogenital malformations) have been associated with the former heterogeneous Jarcho-Levin syndrome. These appear to be more common in **sporadic** cases of spinal malsegmentation rather than familial cases.





First published in INTECH.

- ▶ The baby with Spondylocostal dysostosis has a short neck with low frontal and occipital hairline, hirsutism, a short distended trunk in contrast to extremities of normal length. Mild scoliosis may be present

X-ray



SCD type 1



First published in INTECH.

Multiple vertebral segmentation defects (pebble head appearance), accompanied by deformity of ribs.

The ribs are focally fused, some may be missing, others overgrown. There is some left/right asymmetry.

Spondylothoracic dysostosis (STD)

(Lavy-Moseley syndrome)

Autosomal
Recessive
MESP2 gene defects



Small symmetrical thorax

The thoracic spine is fused.

The ribs are fused posteriorly creating a fan-like or “crab” configuration.

Mild scoliosis may be present, but is uncommon.

The entire cervical spine is fused with the occiput of the skull fused to C1.

- ▶ In **STD**: inguinal and umbilical hernia, urogenital abnormalities and imperforate anus are occasionally seen.

Berdon W.E. et al.

Pediatr Radiol (2011) 41:384–388

SCD / J-L



STD / L-M

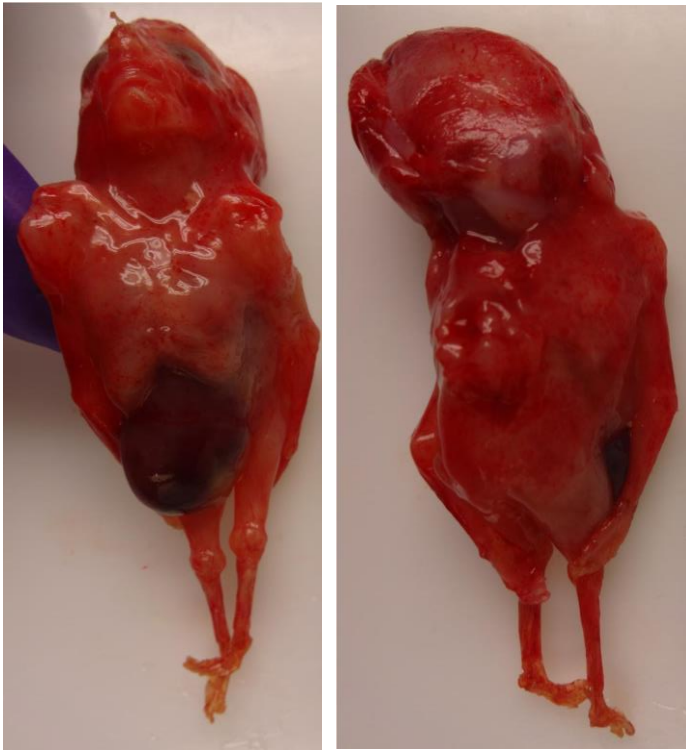


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***Clinical and radiological distinction between
spondylothoracic dysostosis (Lavy-Moseley syndrome)
and spondylocostal dysostosis (Jarcho-Levin syndrome)***
Pediatr Radiol (2011) 41:384–388

▶ Fusion of ribs is essential for both SCD and STD.

Many other conditions may cause spinal malsegmentation with normal limbs.



? O.E.I.S
complex

Associated major visceral malformations appear to be more common in **sporadic** cases of spinal malsegmentation rather than familial cases.



Craniofacial Dysostoses

Mandibulofacial dysostosis Treacher-Collins syndrome (TCS)

Treacher Collins syndrome is the most common mandibulofacial dysostosis.

Autosomal Dominant character in **types 1 and 2** (TCS1, TCS2)

Autosomal Recessive character in **type 3** (TCS3)

TCS1: 95% of TCS ***TCOF1*** gene mutations

There is an extreme inter- and intrafamilial **phenotypic variation**, ranging from cases with **perinatal death** due to airway obstruction by severe orofacial malformations to those that remain **clinically undiagnosed**.

▶ At present there is no clear genotype–phenotype correlation to discern between dominant and recessive types, sporadic and familial mutations or to predict disease



TSC 1



Mandibular hypoplasia (severe retromicrognathia)

Midface hypoplasia

Large frontal vault

Hypertelorism – Protruding eyes

Down slanting palpebral fissures

Flat nose

Bilaterally malformed ear lobes

Atresia of external auditory canal

Flat face

Flat occiput





U-shaped soft palate cleft



bilaterally malformed ears

► **Pierre-Robin sequence:** Severe retromicrognathia + U-shaped cleft of the soft palate



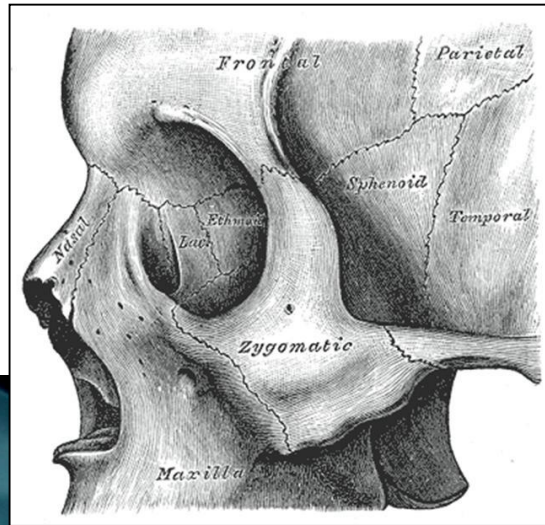
Smith's
*Recognizable Patterns
of Human Malformations*

coloboma of the lower lid

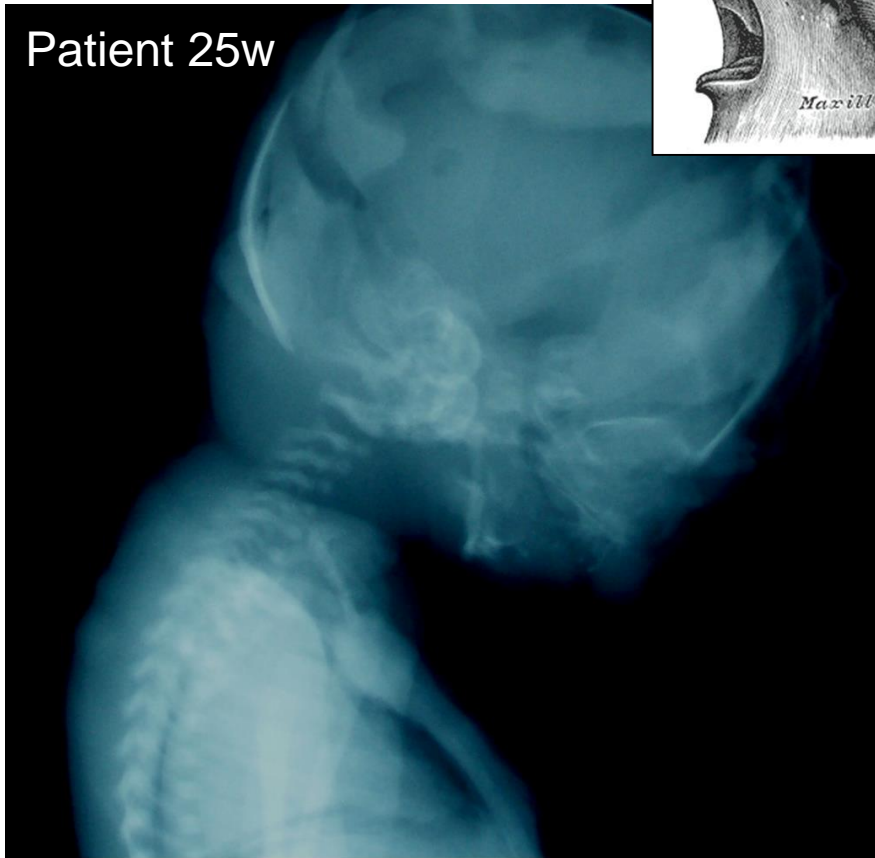


*Konstantinidou et al.
Mandibulofacial Dysostosis (Treacher-Collins Syndrome) in the Fetus:
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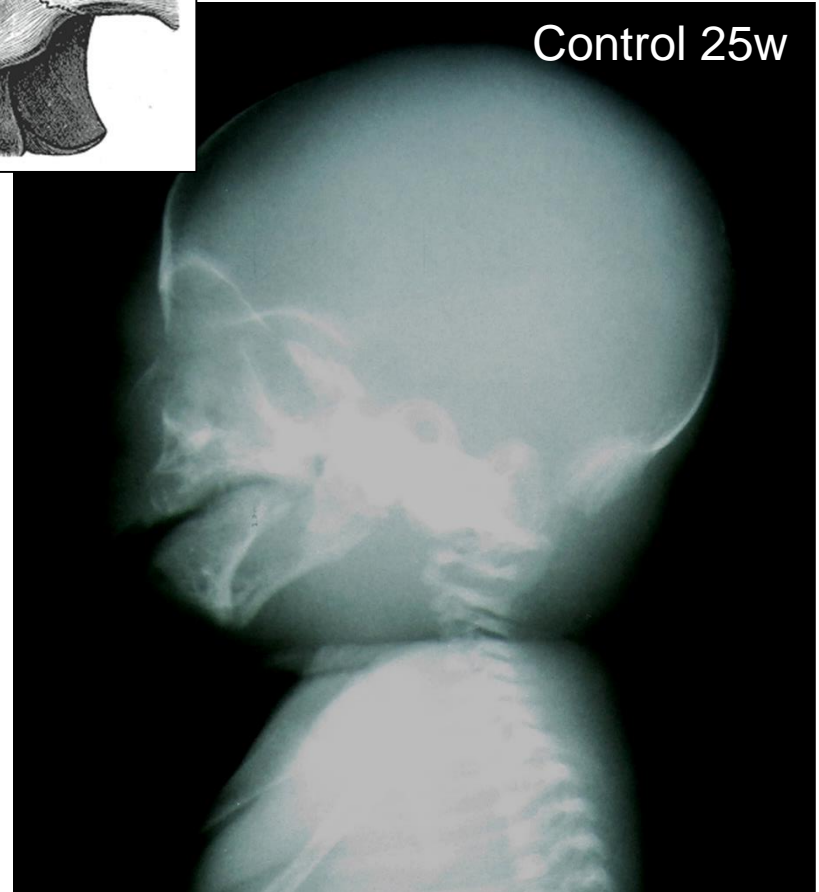




Patient 25w



Control 25w

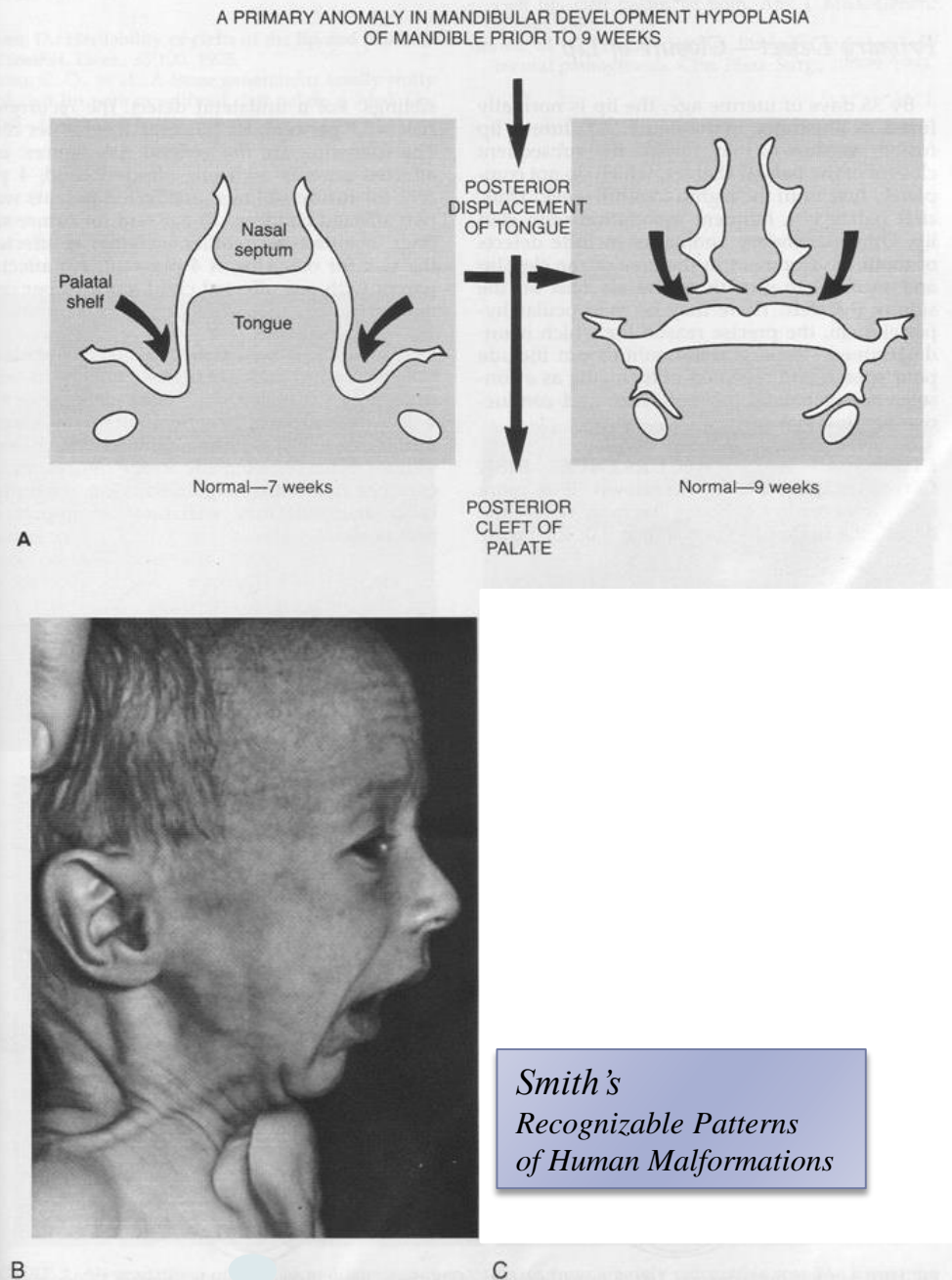


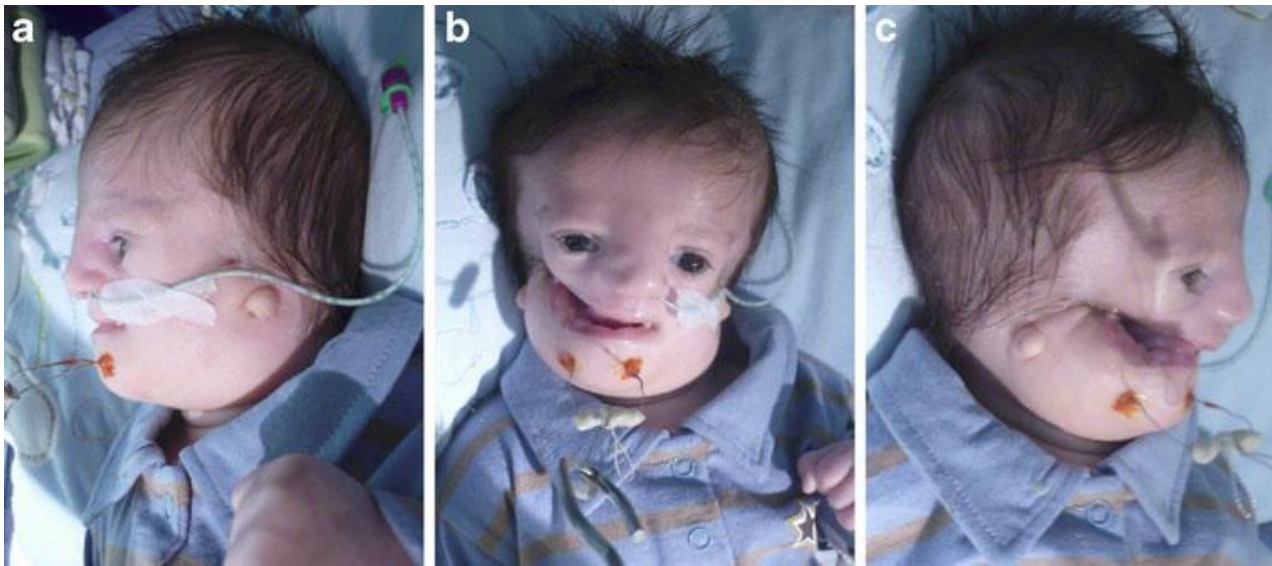
Midface hypoplasia: hypoplastic zygomatic and maxilla

Pierre-Robin sequence

The primary anomaly is that in the development of the mandible that causes mandibular hypoplasia and consequently a displacement of the tongue towards the posterior part of the oral cavity that causes in turn the clefting of the palate.

These babies suffer respiratory distress due to the obstruction of upper airways caused by glossoptosis.





“TCS presenting in its severest manifestation, may be a primary cause of infant mortality and have serious lifetime functional, aesthetic and social consequences that are devastating to both children and parents alike”.

Schlump JU, et al. Treacher Collins syndrome: clinical implications for the paediatrician. Eur J Pediatr 2012

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Craniofacial Dysostoses

Hemifacial microsomia

Goldenhar syndrome

Oculo-auriculo-vertebral spectrum

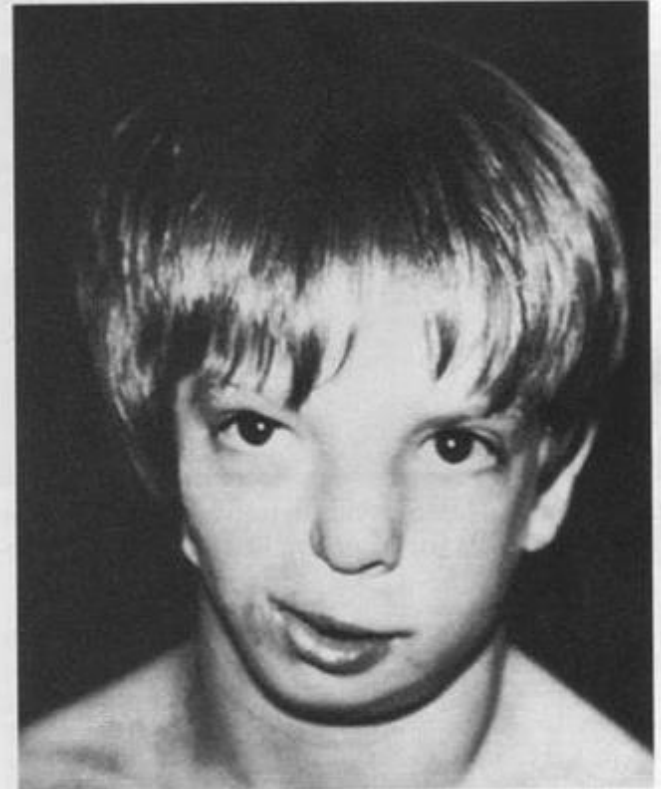
Hemifacial microsomia is a common birth defect involving first and second branchial arch derivatives.

Genetically heterogeneous SP / AD

Phenotype highly variable

Craniofacial anomalies
(Vertebral malsegmentation)

Cardiac defects
CNS defects



Smith's
Recognizable Patterns of Human Malformations



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Facial asymmetry:

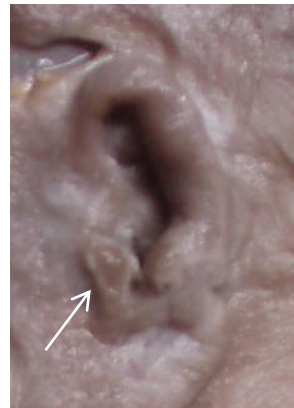
Unilateral midface hypoplasia with ipsilateral deformity of the auricle

- asymmetrical microphthalmia
- coloboma of the upper eyelid



Ears

- preauricular tags (ipsi- or contralateral)
- atresia of the external auditory canal
- anomalies in the size and shape of the auricle



End of Part 2 of Skeletal Stuff



Rome - Cemetery of the Capuchins - 5th chapel