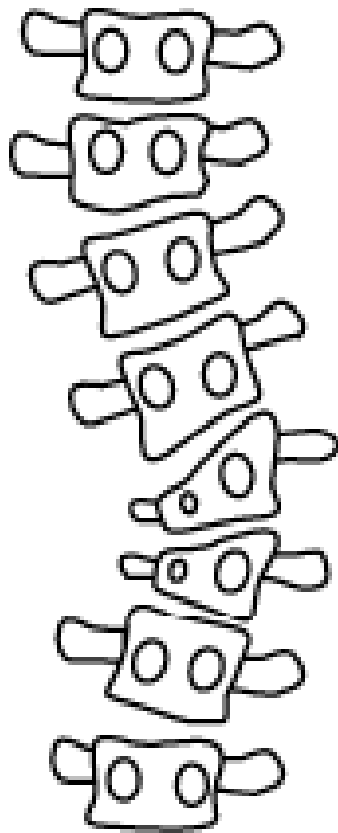


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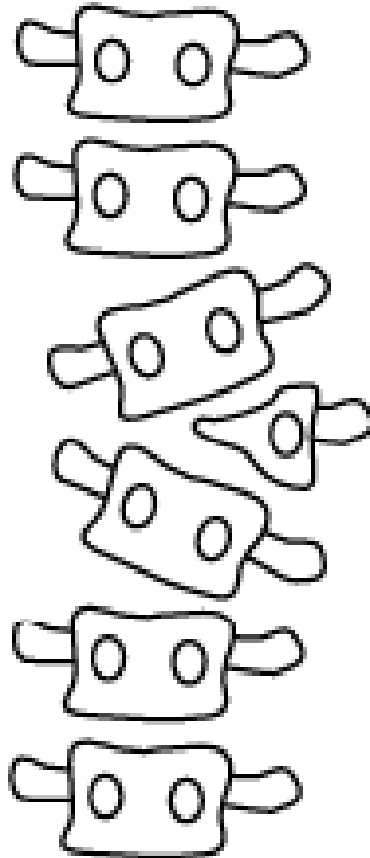
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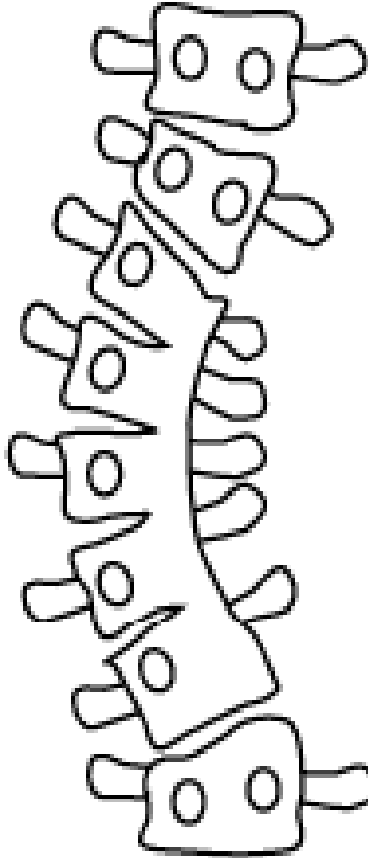
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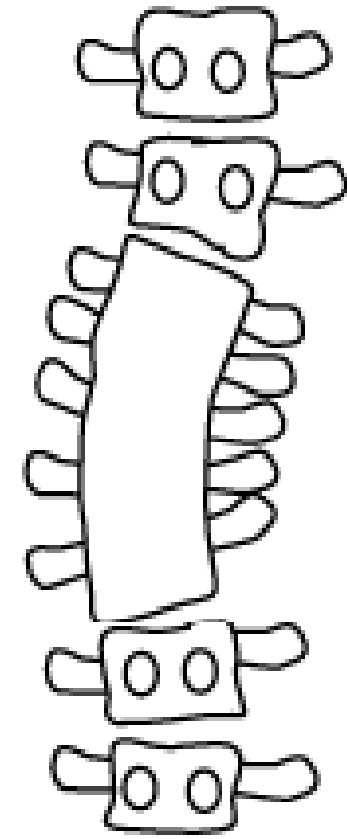
partial
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(wedge vertebrae)



complete
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(hemivertebra)



unilateral
failure of
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(congenital bar)

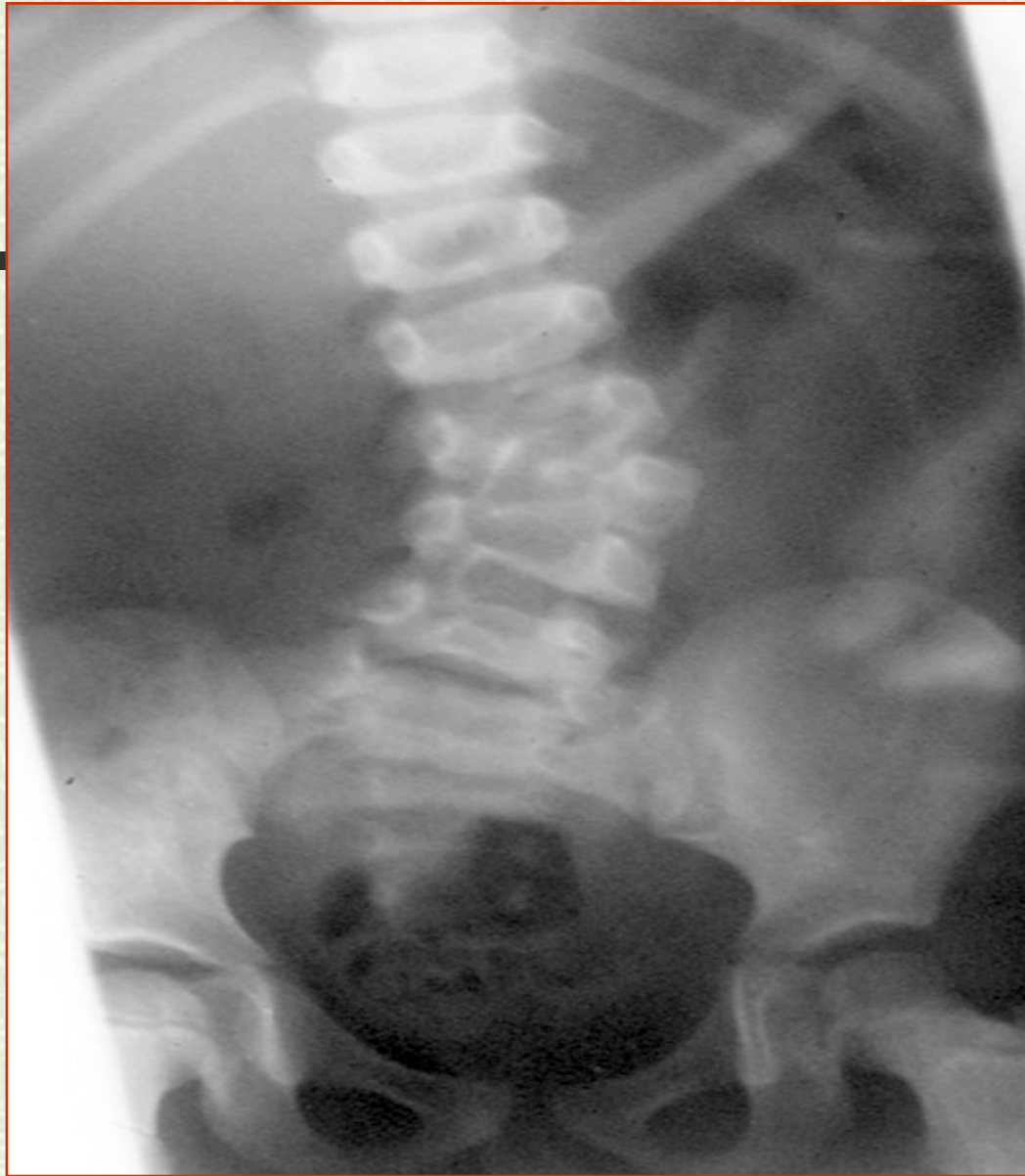


bilateral
failure of
segmentation
(block vertebra)

Congenital Scoliosis Classification:

According to the area of the spine affected

- Cervical, cervico-thoracic,**
- Thoracic**
- Lumbar**
- Lumbo-sacral spine**



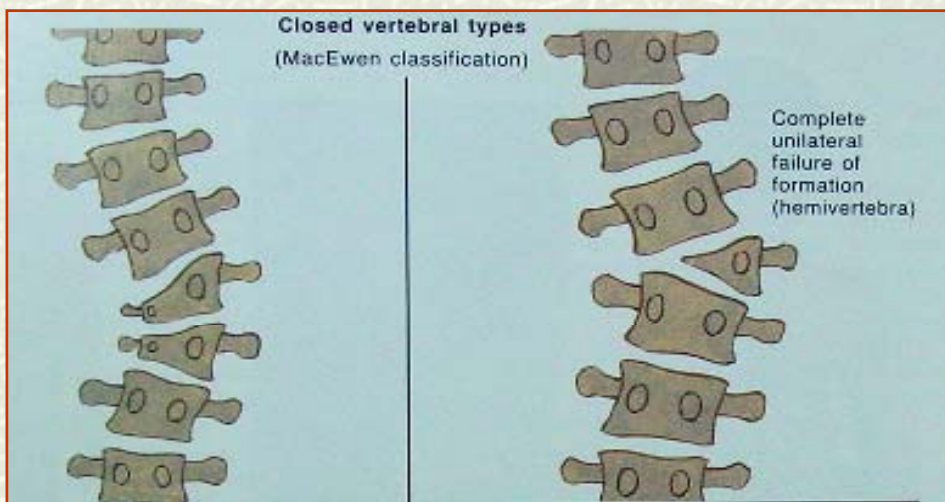
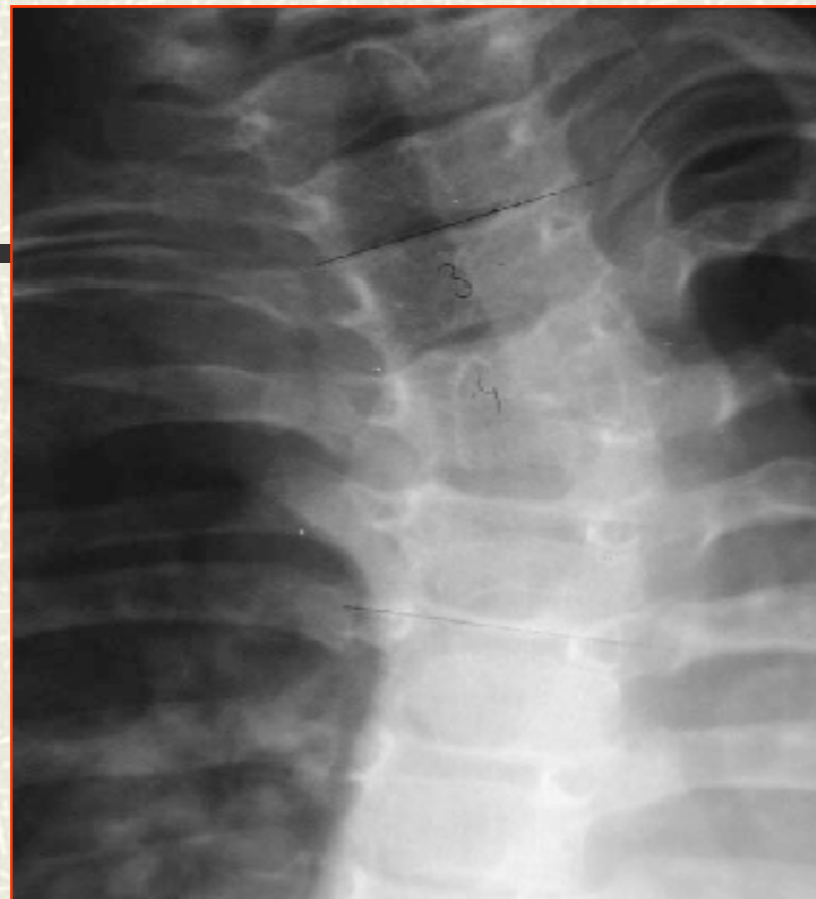
According to the pattern of deformity

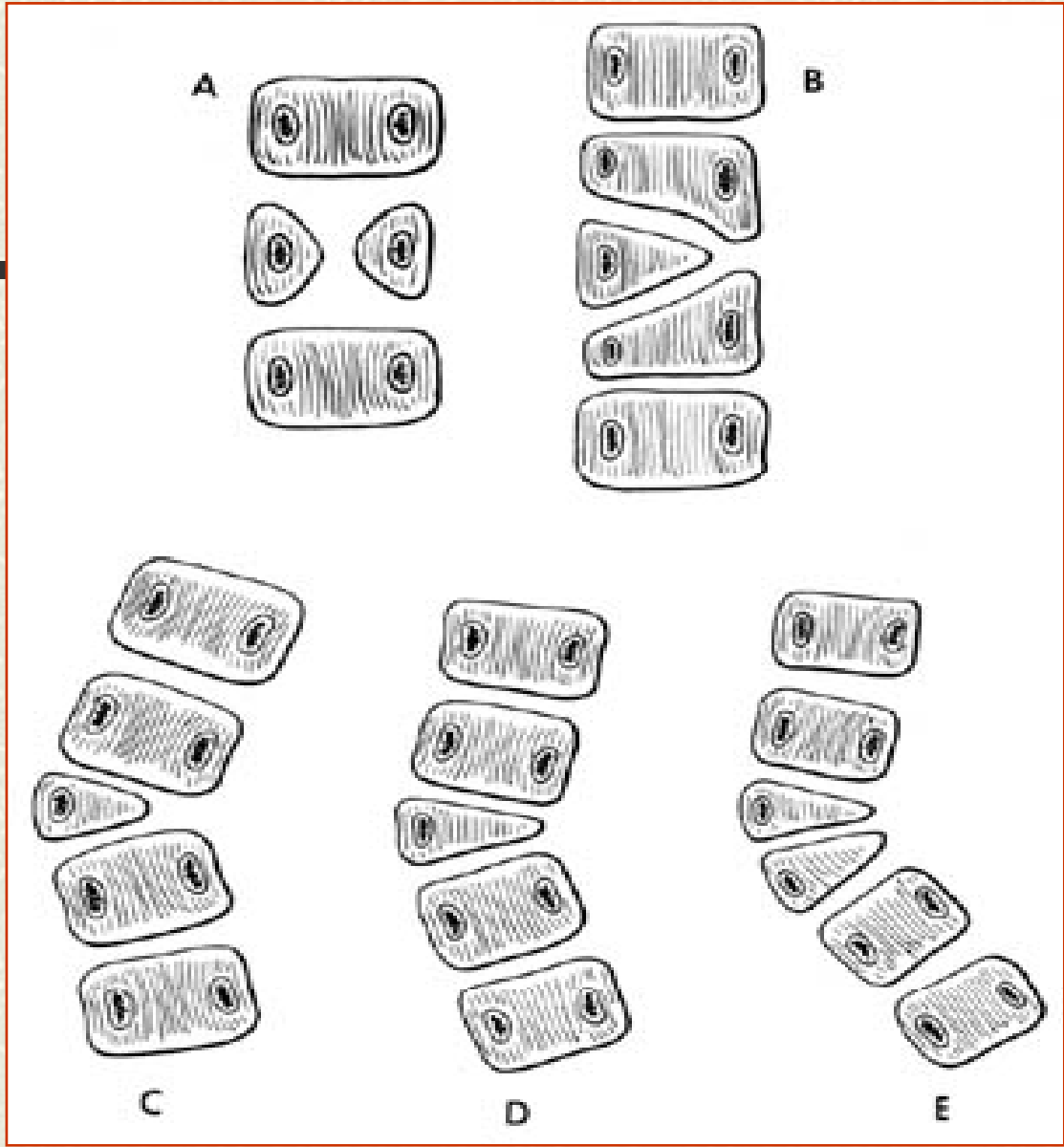
- **Kyphoscoliosis,**
- **Lordoscoliosis**

According to the basic type of malformation

- Failure of formation**
- Failure of segmentation**
- Combination of the above (scramble eggs)**

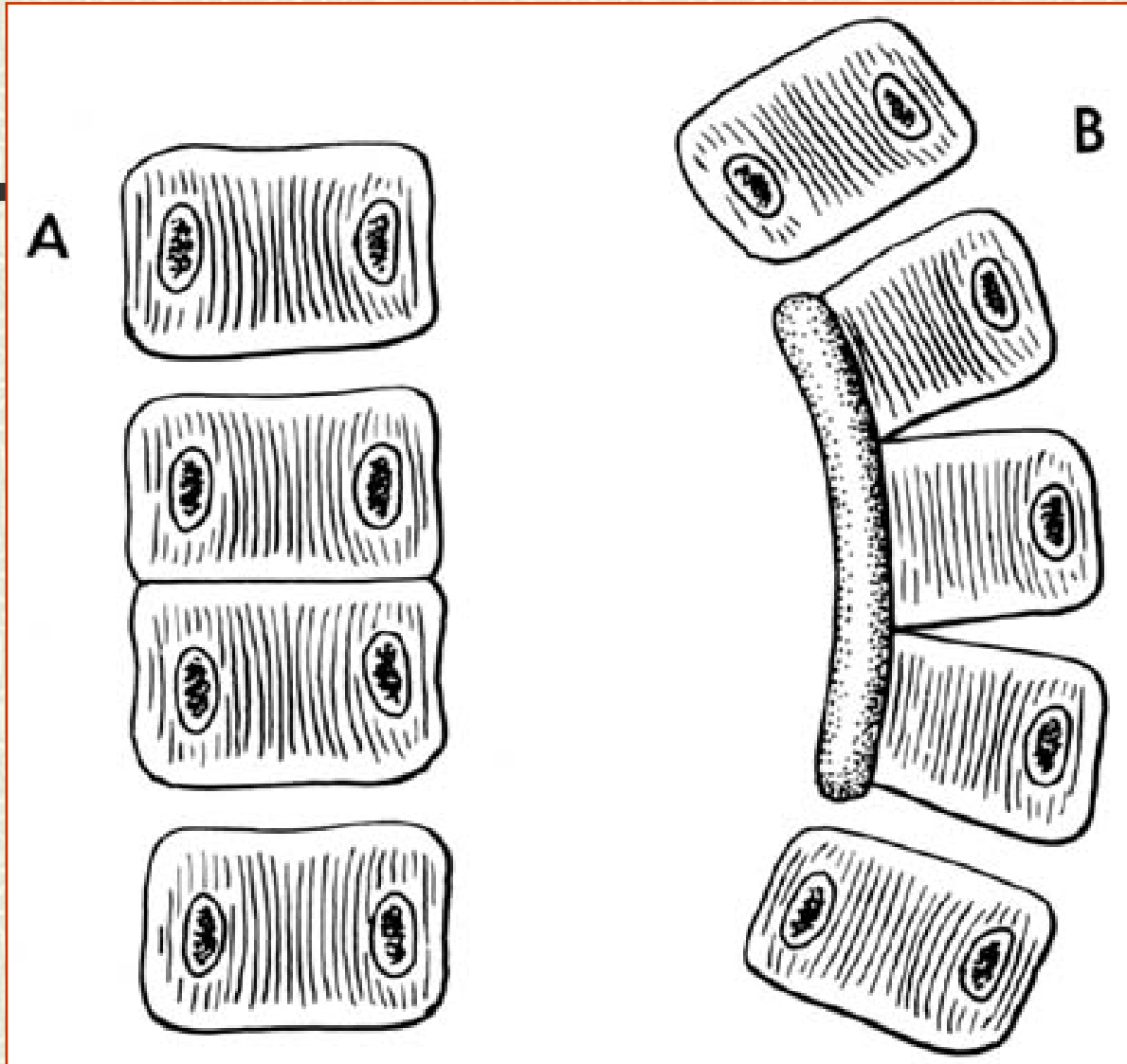
Failure of formation.







Failure of segmentation



Cervical spine

= **Klippel-Feil Syn.**

= **Sprengel's def.**

Scramble eggs



Questions

Is it hereditary?

No. Isolated hemivertebra carries no risk to subsequent siblings.

What is the best Treatment?

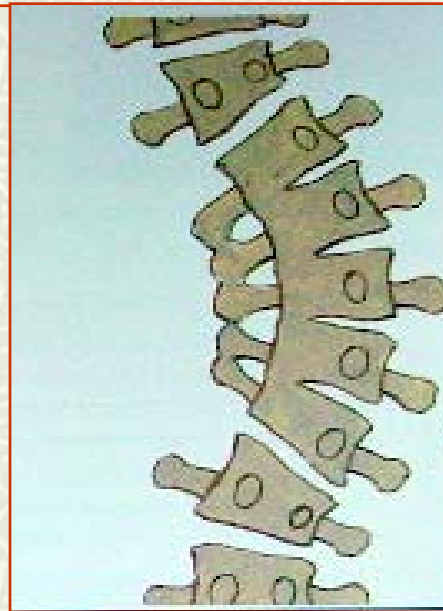
Early evaluation.

Early aggressive treatment.

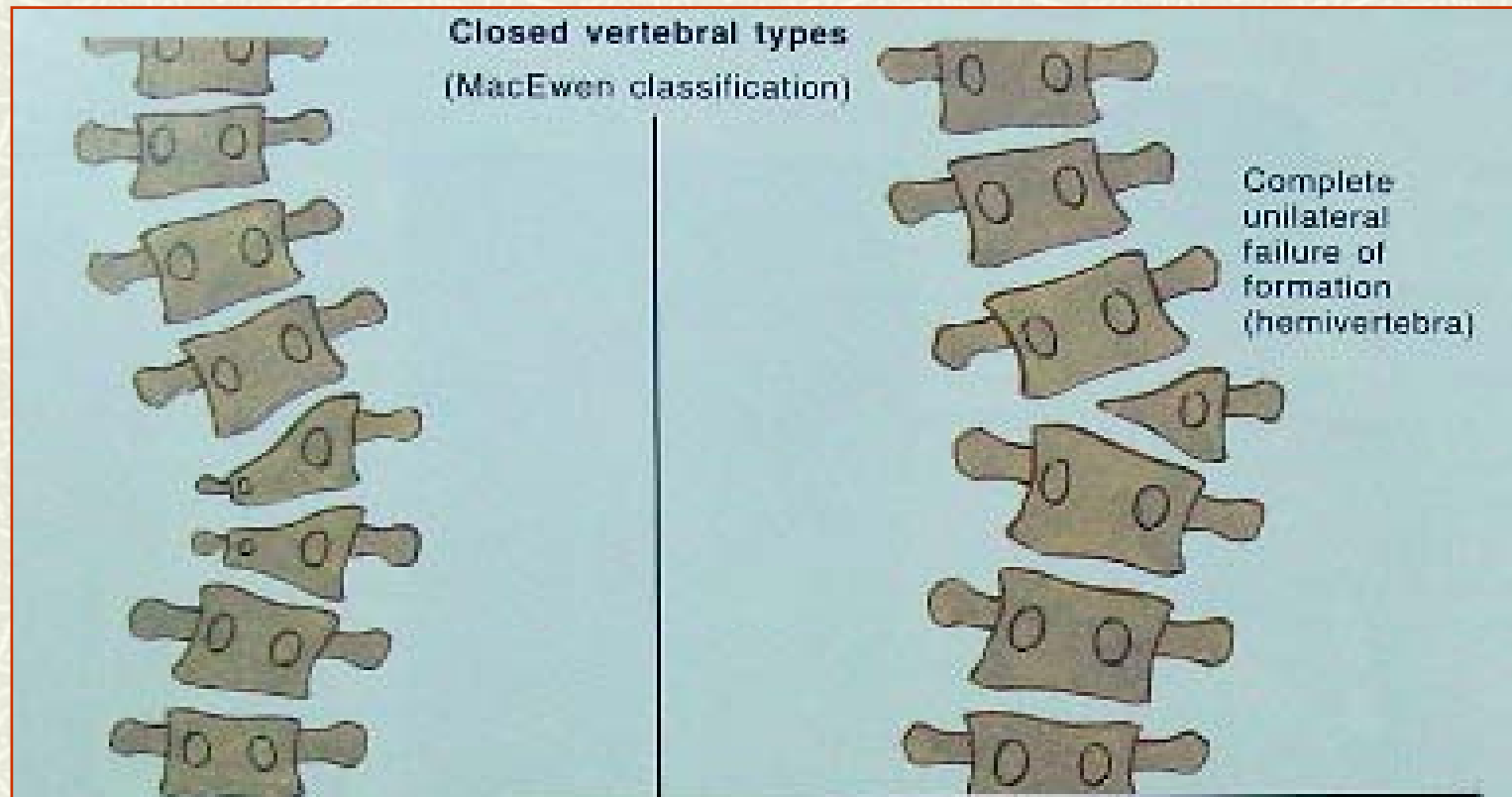
Factors affecting the progression

1- Specific anomalies.

A- unilateral unsegmented Bar. → worst progression.



B- Single hemivertebra or double unbalanced Hemivertebra → Progress slowly.



2-Area of affected spine

- 1- Cervico thoracic and lumbar less progressive**
- 2- Thoracic curve → progressive**
- 3- Thoracolumbar curve → progressive.**

Look for other anomalies

1- Spina bifida

2-Neurological defeciet

e.g small size of the foot

3-Spinal dysraphism

4-Other anomalies

**e.g heart & kidney, facial asymmetry,
sprengle's**



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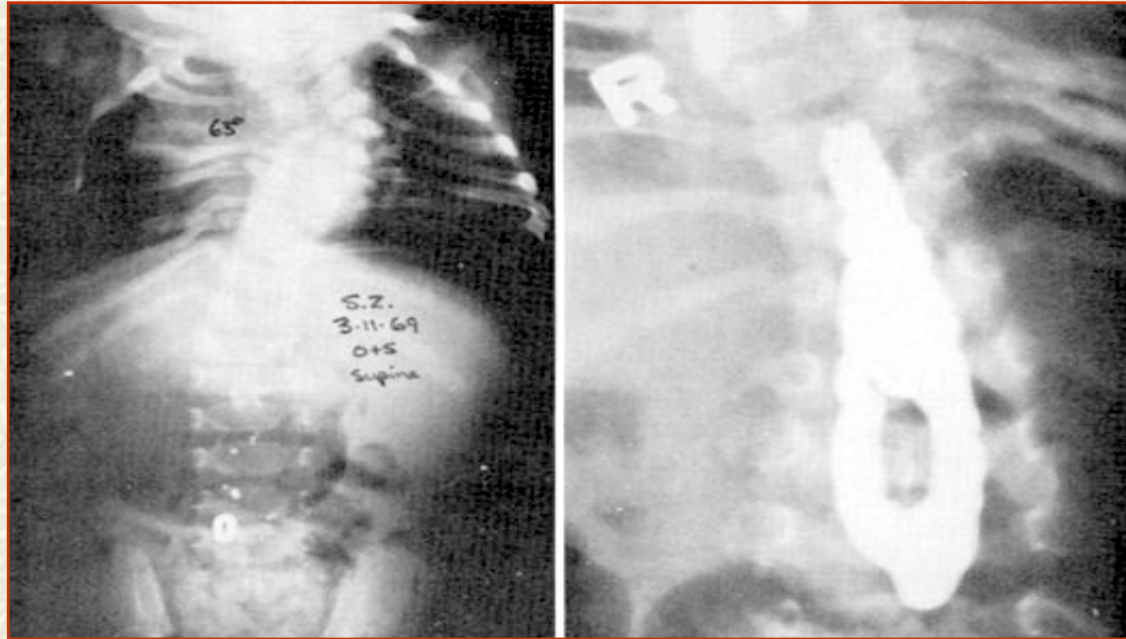
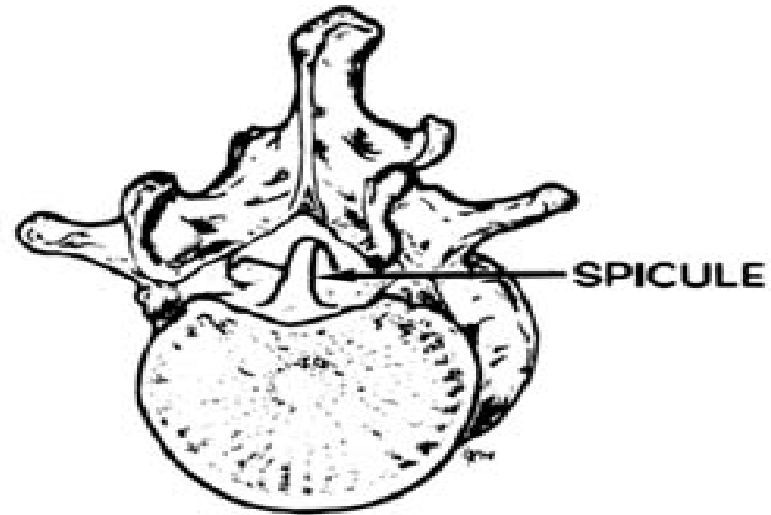
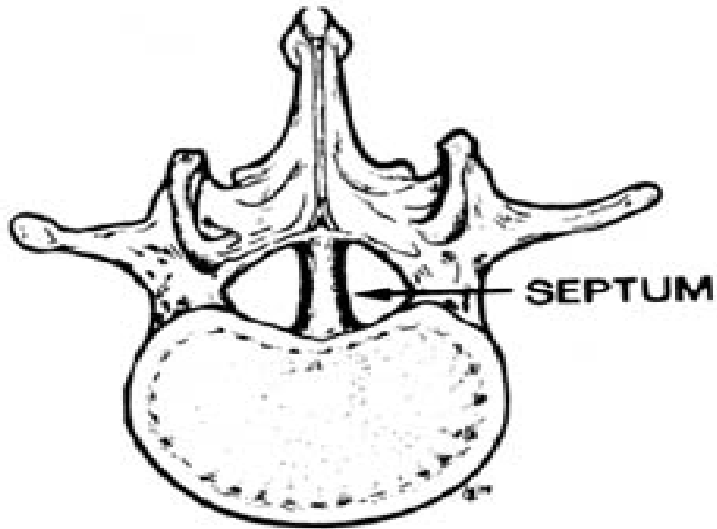
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Diagnosis by Sonogram

Can be done before birth

Can be done at birth or soon after

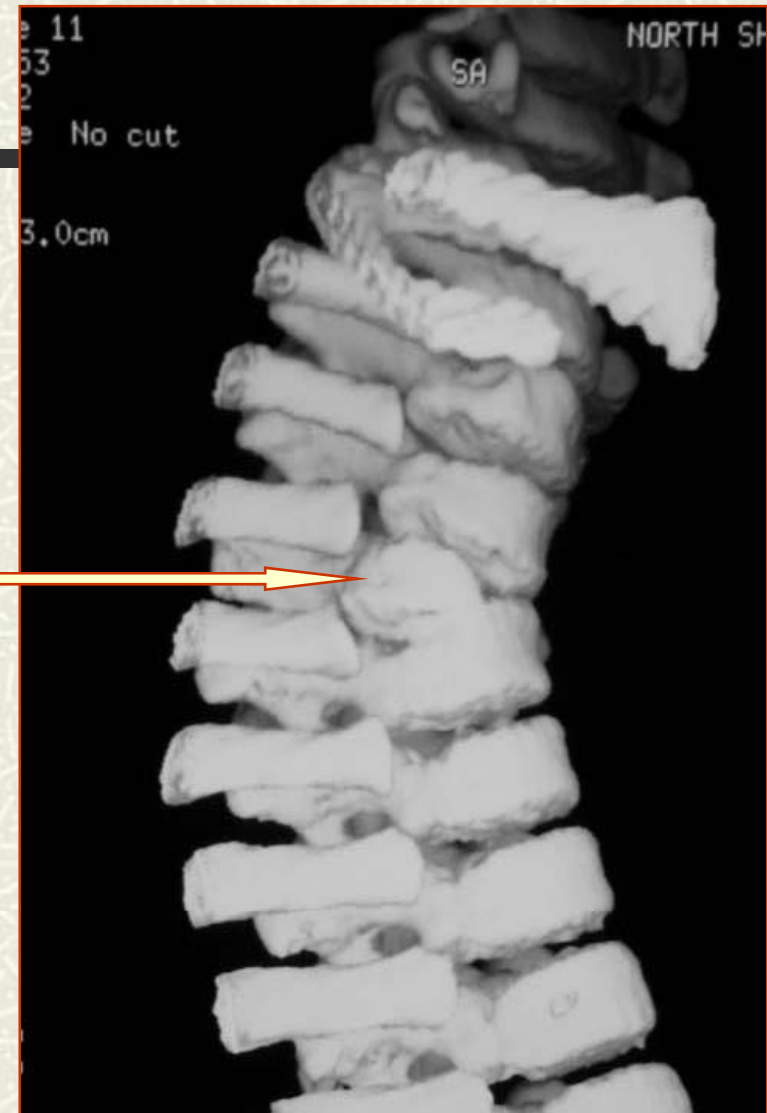
Clinical diagnosis

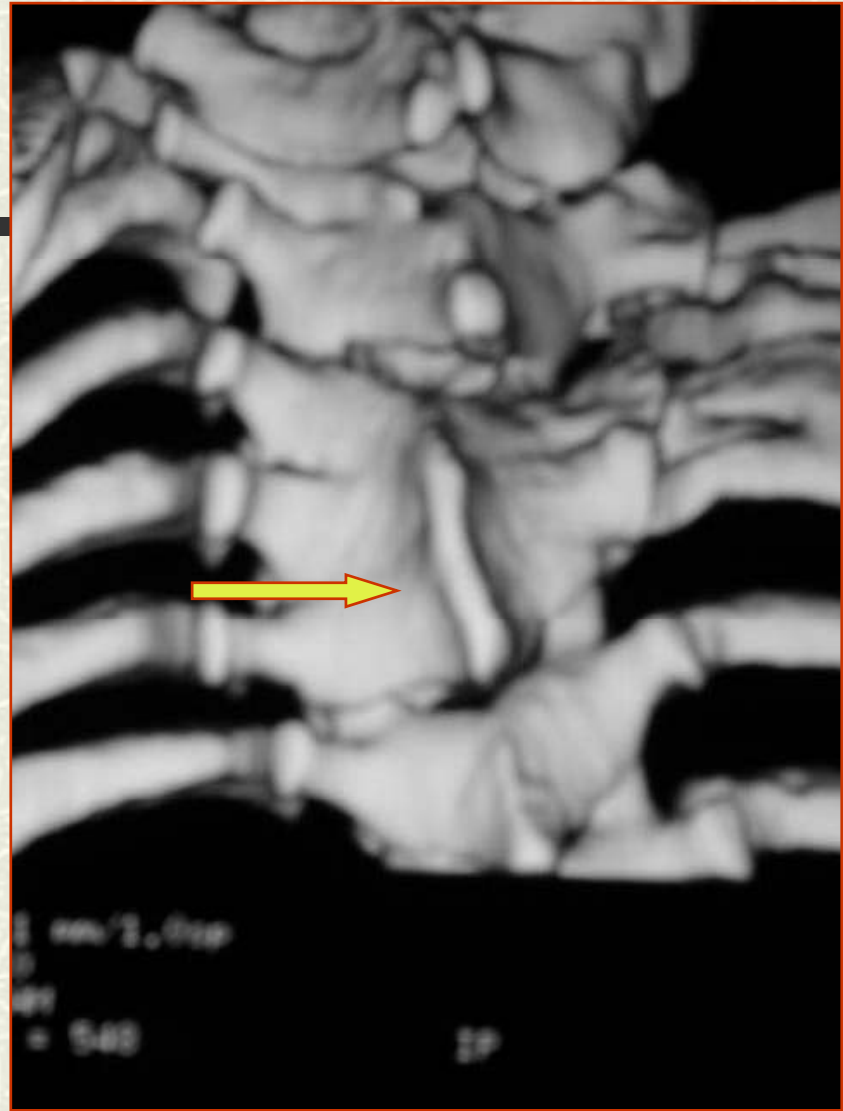
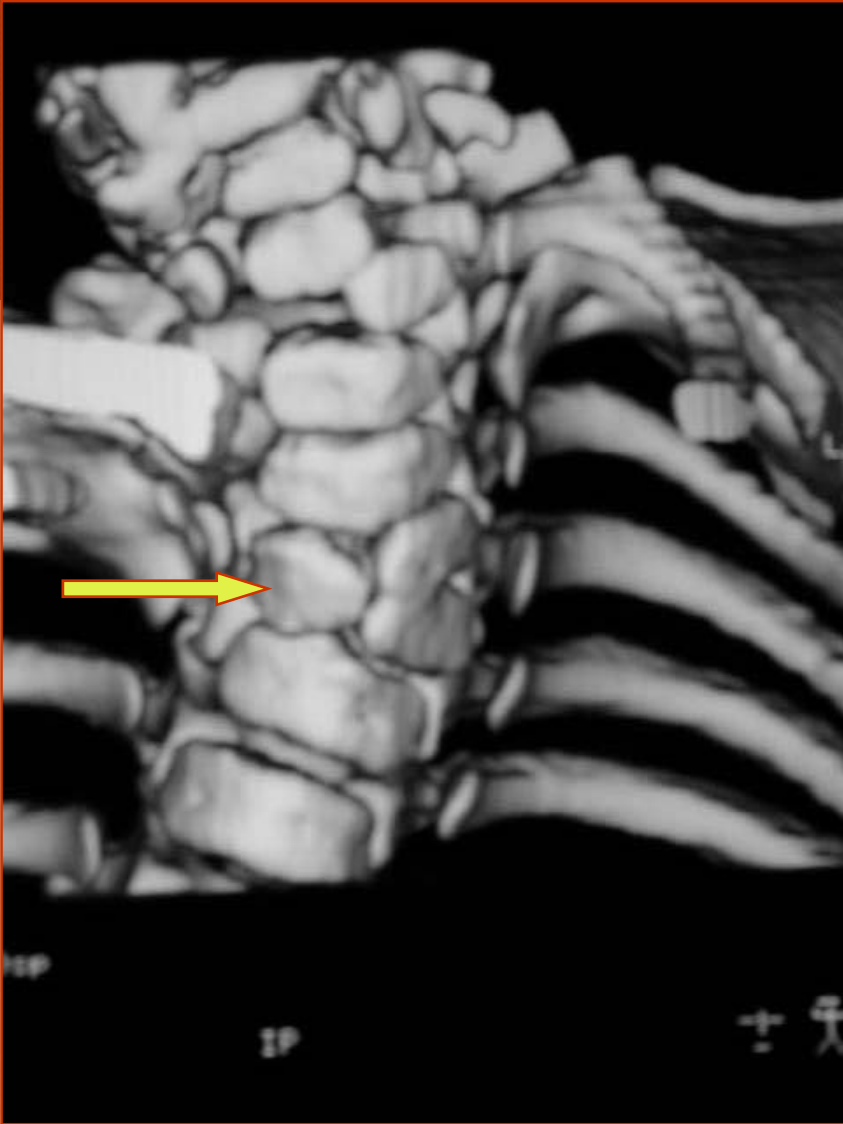
Deformity

Associated congenital problems.

Radiographic diagnosis

- 1-Simple PA and Lat. X- rays.**
- 2-CT scan with 3D reconstruction**
- 3-Myelography**
- 4-MRI**





Management

Conservative

Cast or brace (Milwaukee)

Indications

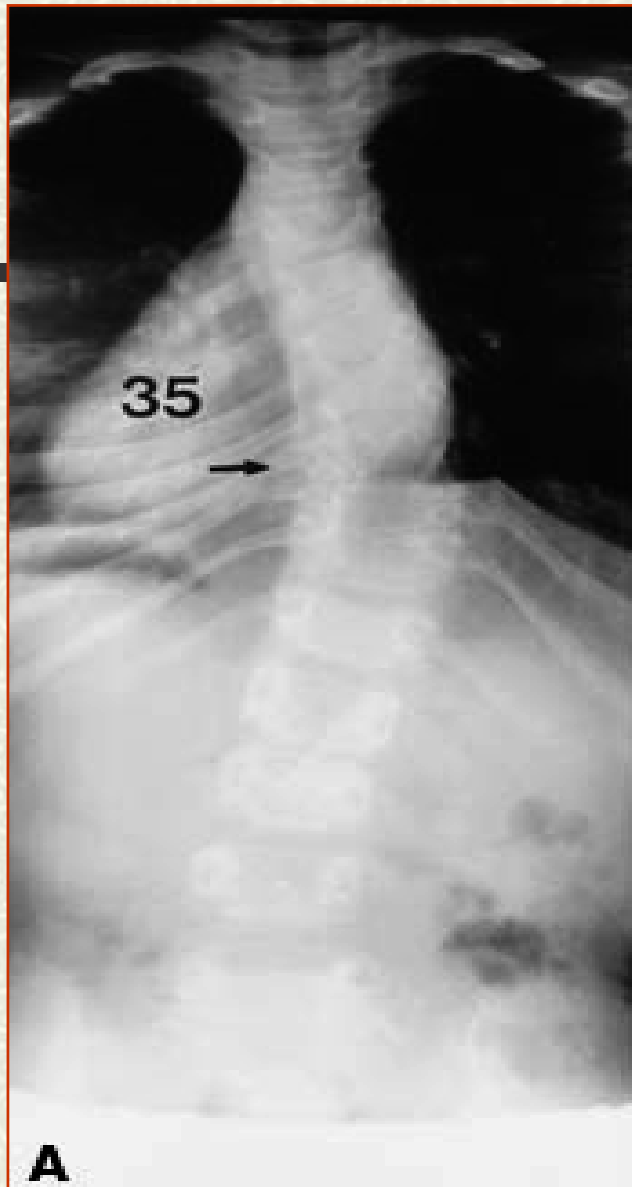
A- Flexible long curve

B- Skeletal immaturity

- **Control compensatory curve**
- **No evidence in affection the prognosis**
- **Can be fitted to 2 years old child.**



**Watching congenital scoliosis
grow is not the solution.**



Surgical treatment

1- Insitu ant. and post fusion

In minimal to moderate deformity

**2- Ant. and post unilateral epiphseodesis
on the convex side.**

**3- Staged correction of the curve followed
by fusion**

4- excision of the hemivertebra

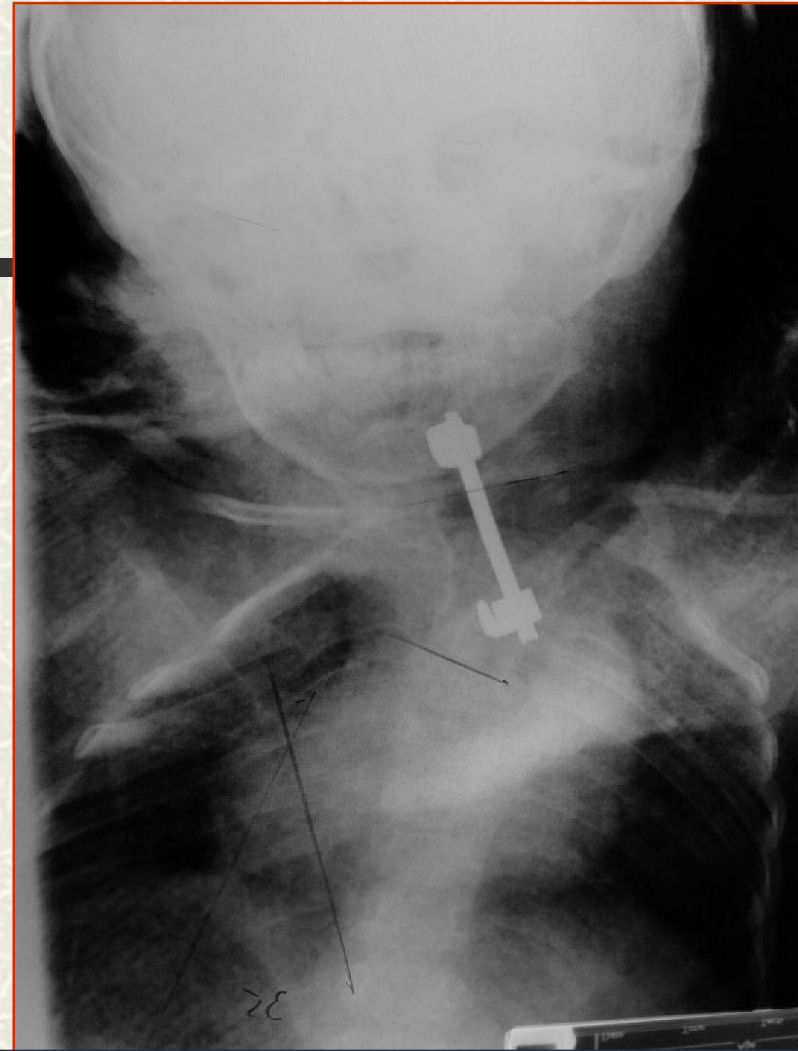


Post-operative radiographs

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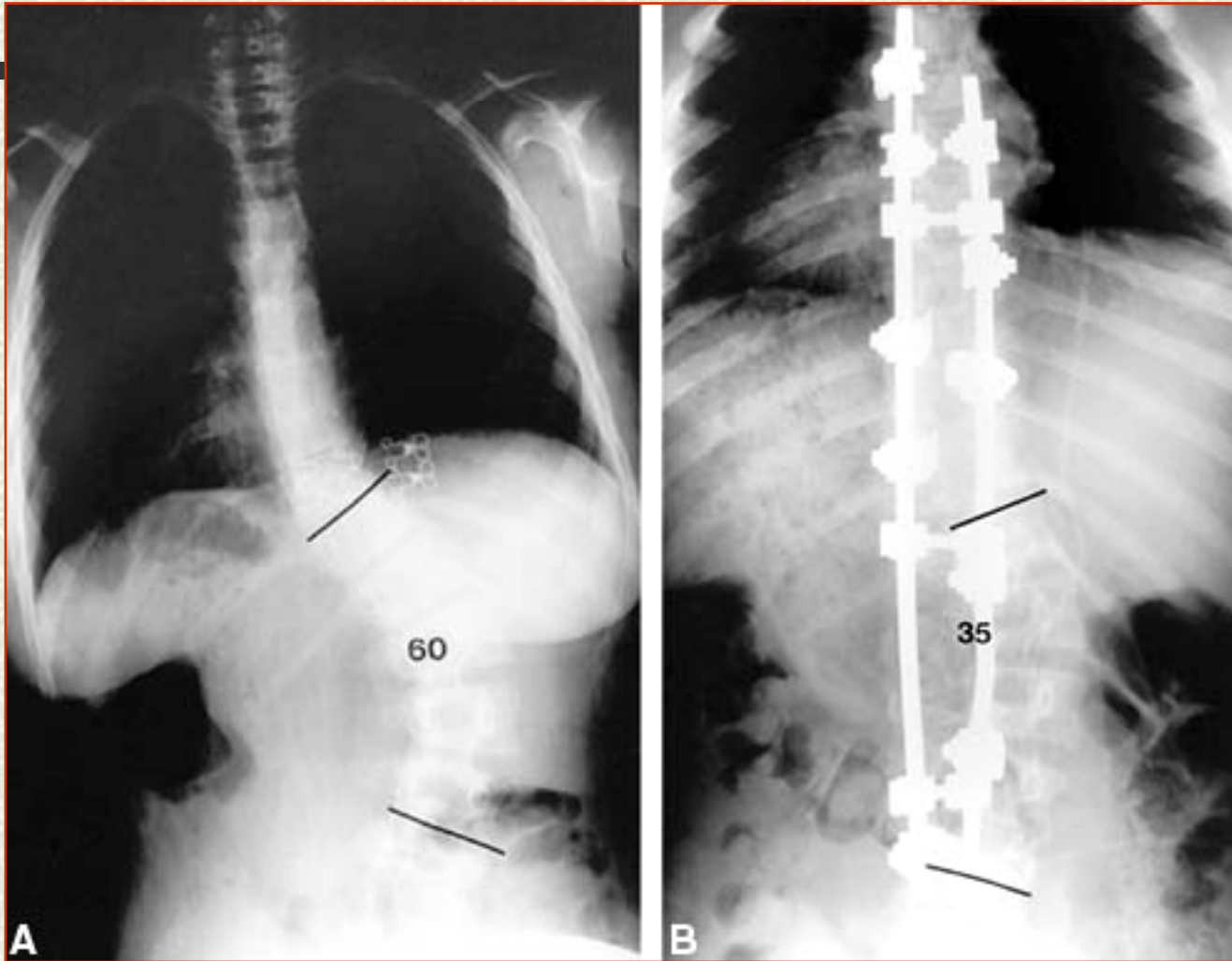
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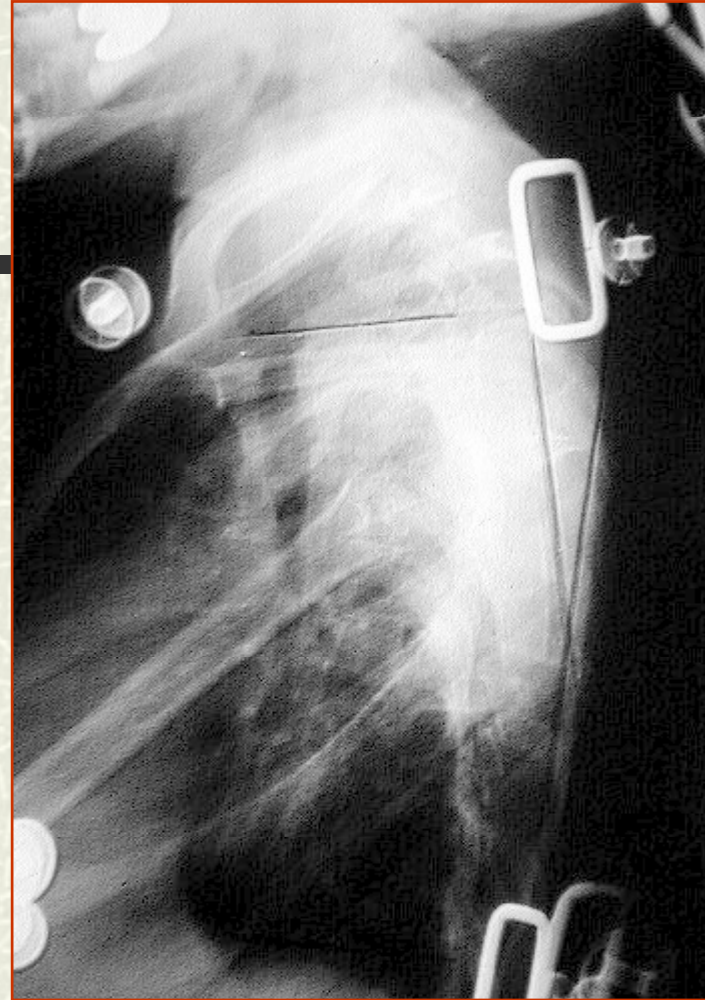
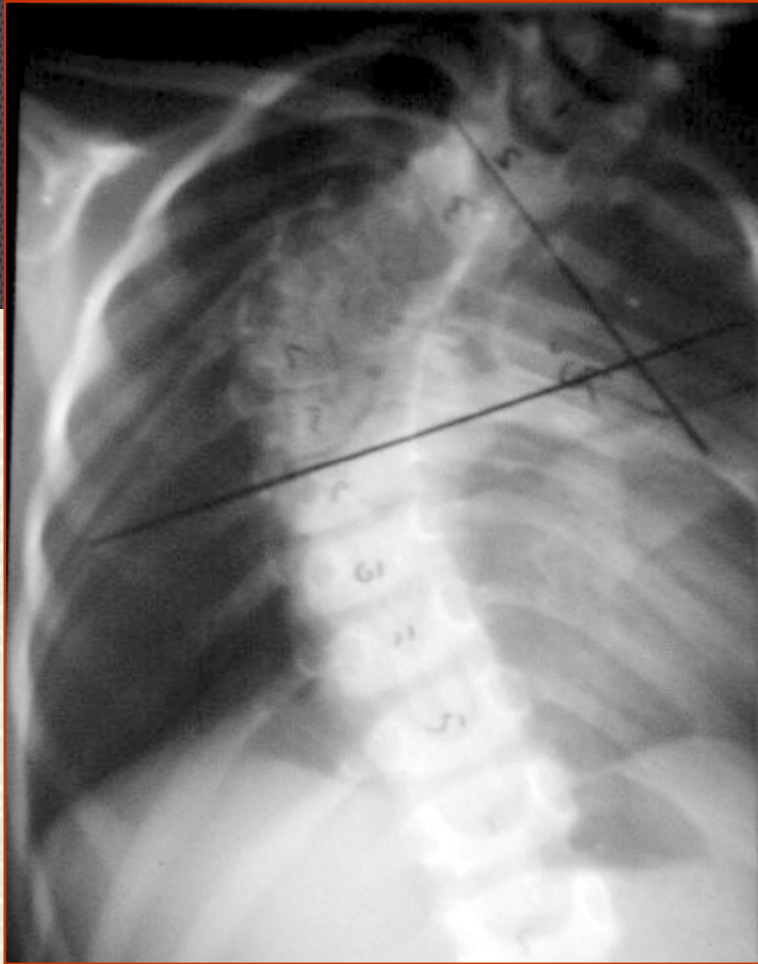
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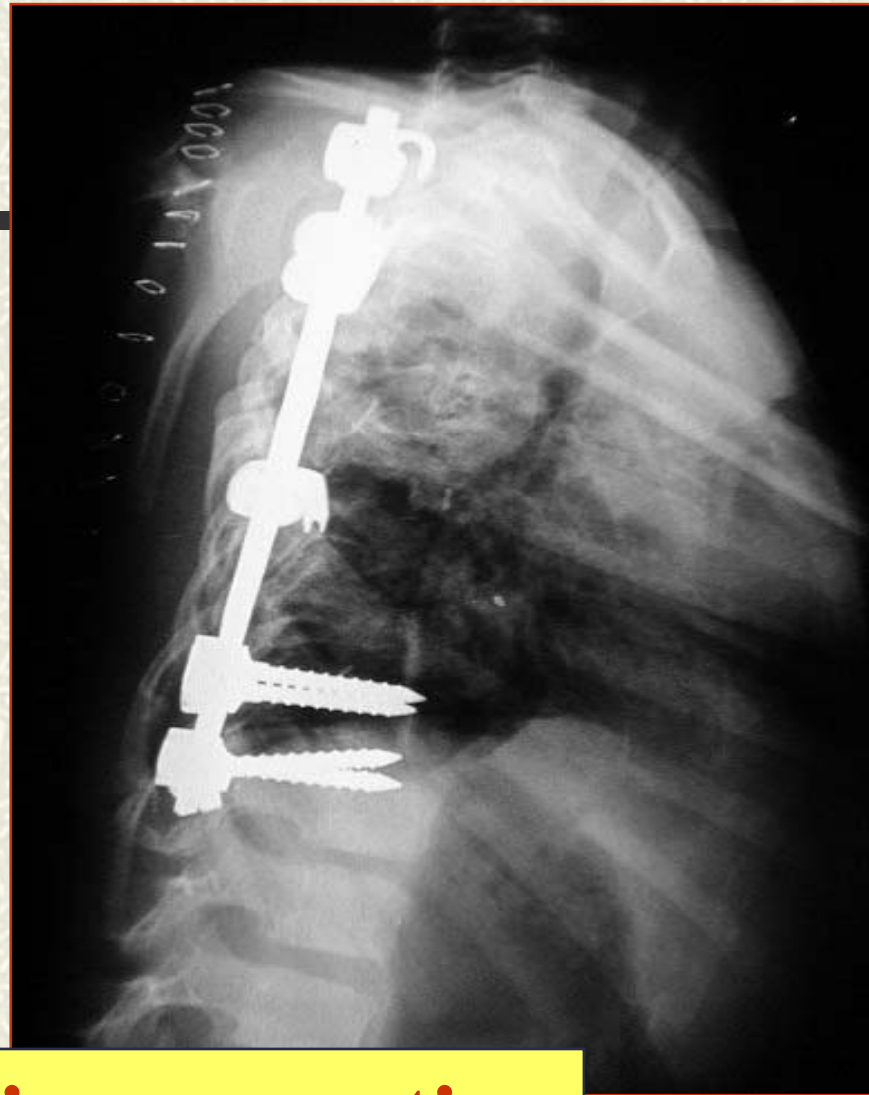
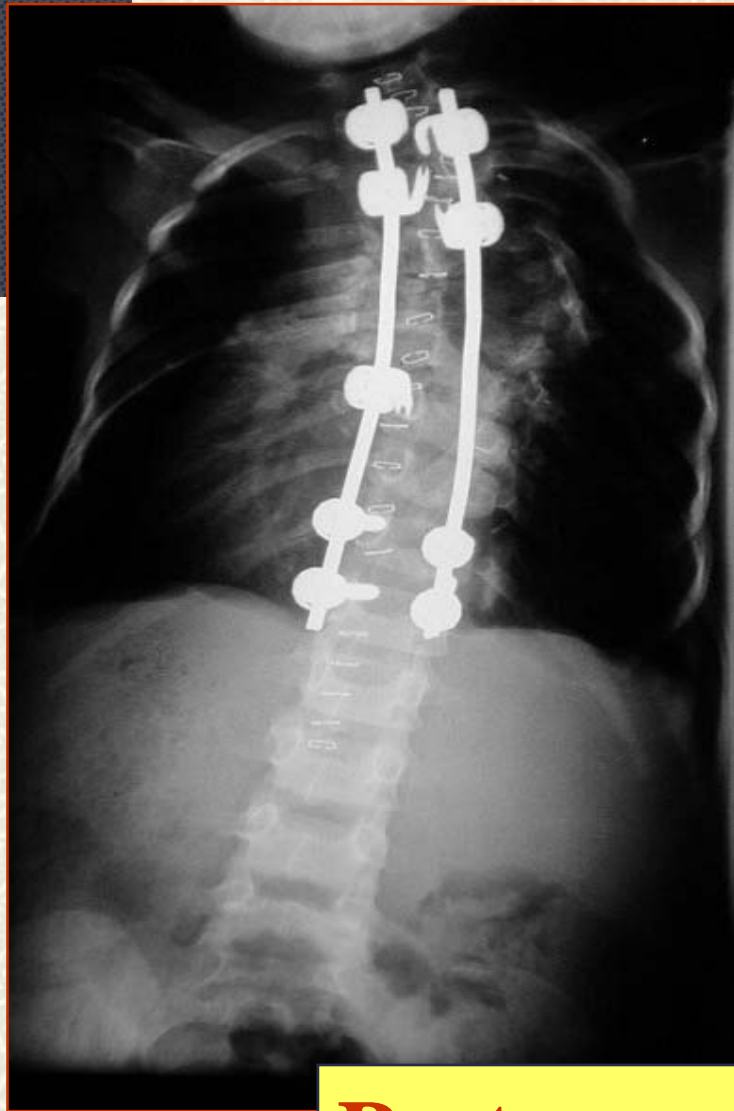
After anterior-posterior resection, fusion

VERTEBRAL EXCISION





Posterior “in situ” fusion sets the stage for “Crank Shaft Phenomenon”



Post-operative correction



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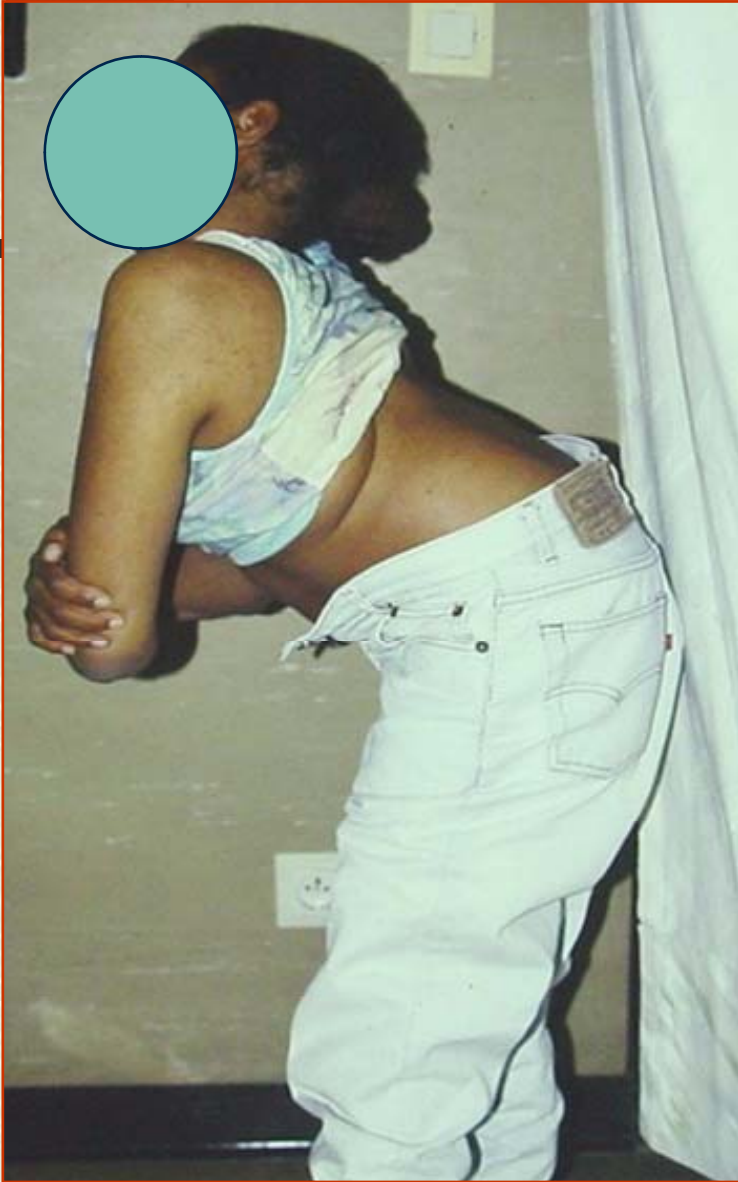


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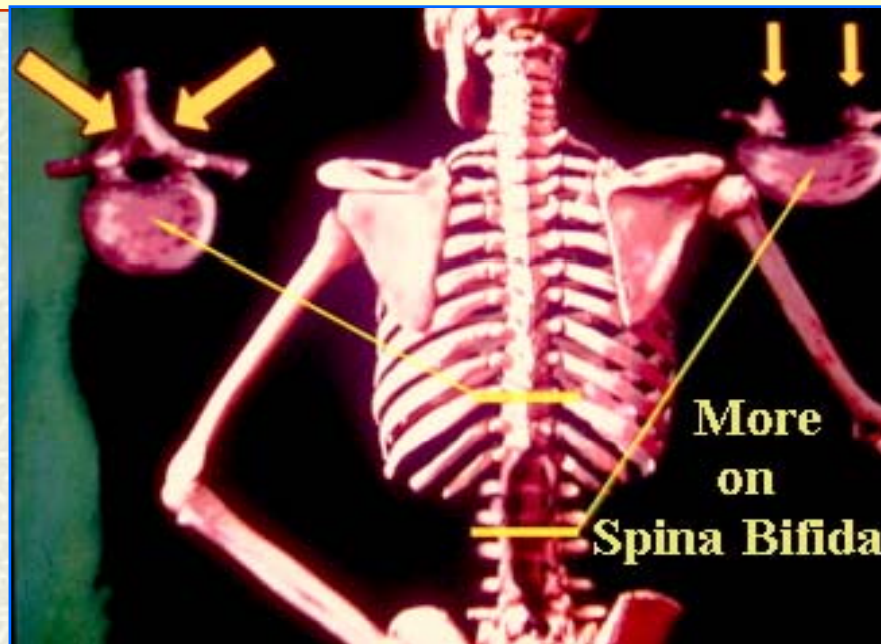


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SPINA BIFIDA

Spina Bifida refers to incomplete closure of the laminar arches of the spine.



Genetics

not known.

However, the risk of occurrence in first-degree relatives is slightly increased → 3.2%.

The incidence of spina bifida occulta is 2-3%.

Signs

Signs-local:

- 1- Dimple to hairy patch.**
- 2- Vascular marking.**
- 3- Fatty mass (lipomeningocele).**
- 4- Exposure of the meninges
(myelomeningocele)**



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Signs-distant

1-Motor weakness,

2-Atrophy of calf or thigh

3-Neurogenic bladder.

Classifications

1- Simple (occulta)

**At the L5, S1 with no neurologic deficit.
The only associated problem is a slightly
increased risk of spondylolisthesis.**



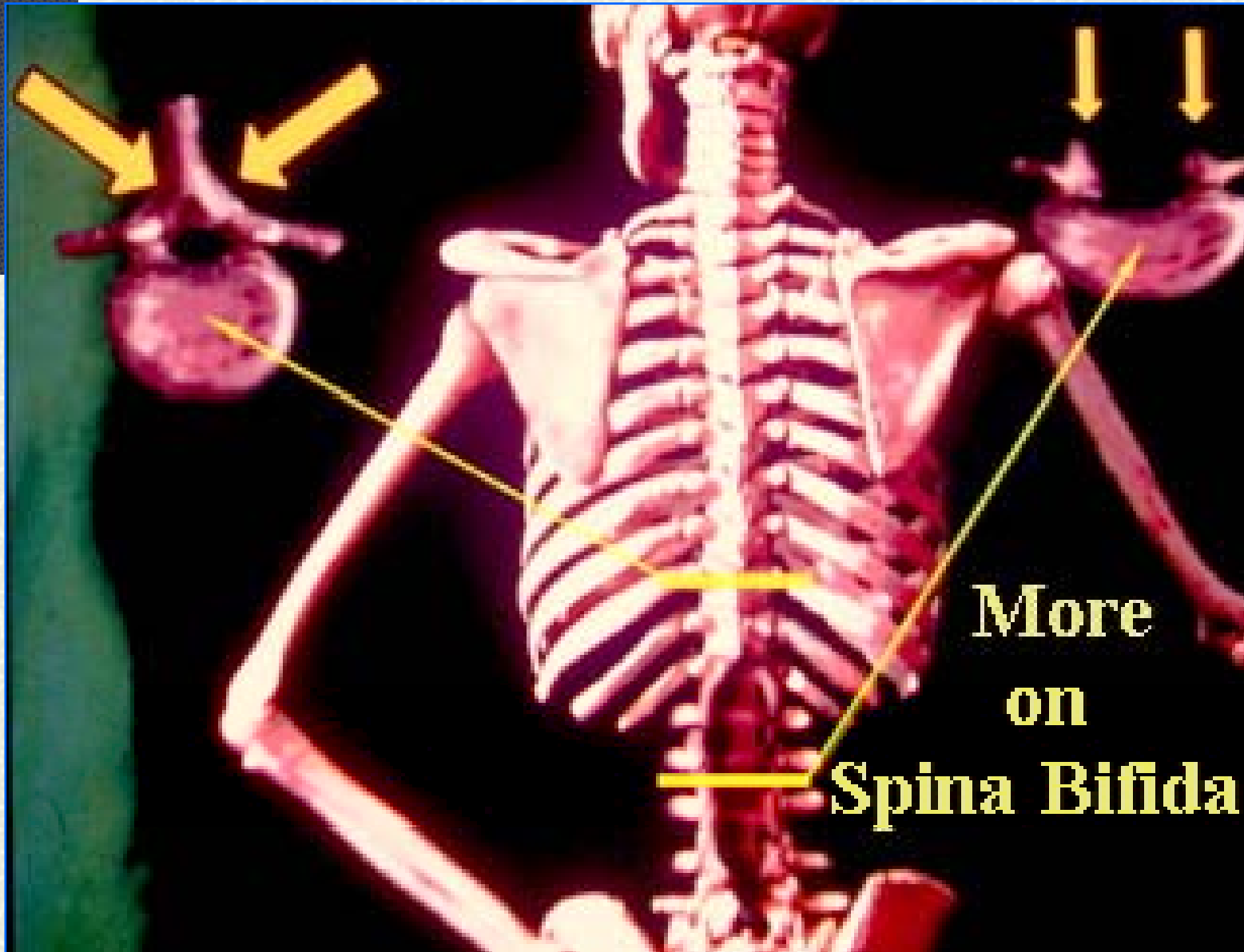
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2-Myelomeningocele:

Bony defect, usually involving several missing laminae, with exposed meninges and usually some neurologic deficit at the same level.



**More
on
Spina Bifida**

3-Lipomeningocele

Caudal fatty mass arising from spinal canal, palpable under the skin, with associated neurologic deficit but no significant risk of hydrocephalus



Lipomeningocele

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Causes

1- Unknown.

Involves either failure of closure of the neural tube or its late rupture.

2- Folate def.

3- Congenital defect

Overview of Care

At birth, the child should be seen by

- 1-Neurologist,**
- 2- Neurosurgeon,**
- 3-Orthopaedic surgeon**
- 4- Urologist .**

Also:

= Latex exposure should be avoided.

**= Genetic counseling should be offered
to the family**

Surgery

Clubfoot surgery

Lengthen tendons and realign bones to create a foot which will be flat on the ground.

Spine surgery

indicated if unbalanced and impairing sitting: straighten and fuse spine using implanted rods.



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General Measures

1-Monitor motor strength and sensory level and record throughout life in order to detect tethering or other complication.

General Measures

**2-Treat other deformities by stretching ,
bracing or surgery.**

3-Teach family how to protect skin.

**4-Hip subluxation do not need surgery:
especially if high and bilateral in a
nonambulator**

Complications of Spina bifida

1-Cord tether at site of opening causing weakness with growth.

2-Fracture- risk is higher with higher neurologic deficit.

Signs include low-grade fever, swelling, and warmth without much pain.

3-Pressure sore over insensate skin, especially of ischium, foot or trochanter.

4-Renal failure due to poor self-care.

NEUROMUSCULAR SCOLIOSIS

Neuromuscular diseases are a group of disorders characterized lack of normal function of the brain, spinal cord, peripheral nerves, neuromuscular junctions, or muscles.

Classification of neuromuscular spinal deformity

NEUROPATHIC

UMNL

Cerebral palsy

Friedreich ataxia

Charcot-Marie-Tooth

Syringomyelia

Spinal cord tumor

Spinal cord trauma

Classification of neuromuscular spinal deformity

LMNL

Poliomyelitis

Traumatic

Spinal muscle atrophy

Werdnig-Hoffmann

Kugelberg-Welander

Dysautonomia (Riley-Day syndrome)

Classification of neuromuscular spinal deformity

MYOPATHIC

Arthrogryposis

Muscular dystrophy

Duchenne

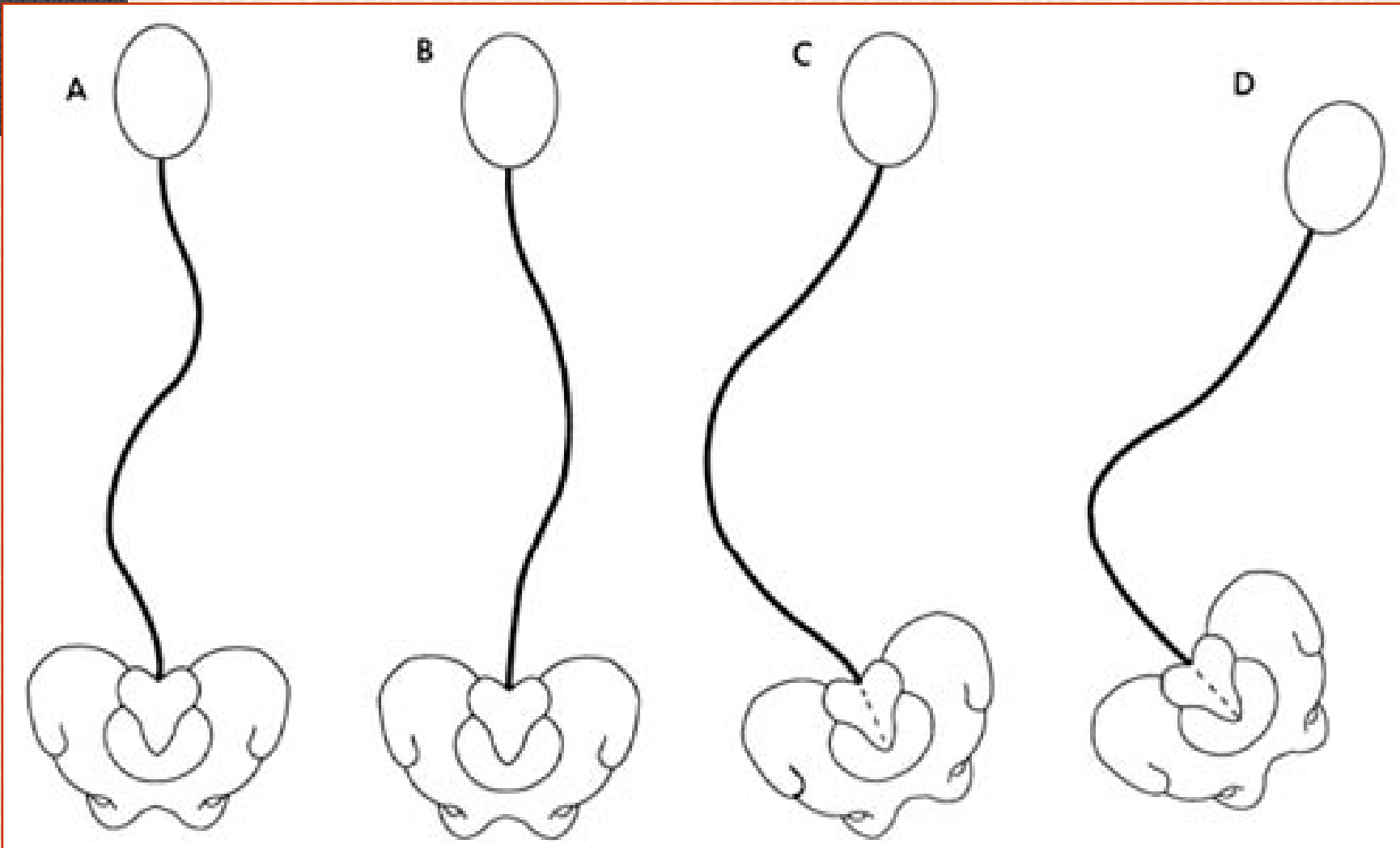
Limb-girdle

Facio-scapulo-humeral

Congenital hypotonia

Myotonia dystrophica

Neuromuscular curves



Pelvic obliquity

- 1-Loss of sitting balance**
- 2-Ribs impinge on the iliac crest**
- 3-Decubitus ulcers over the ischium**
- 4-Progressive pulmonary deficit due to chest deformity**
- 5-Hip contracture, subluxation, or dislocation**

Syringomyelia

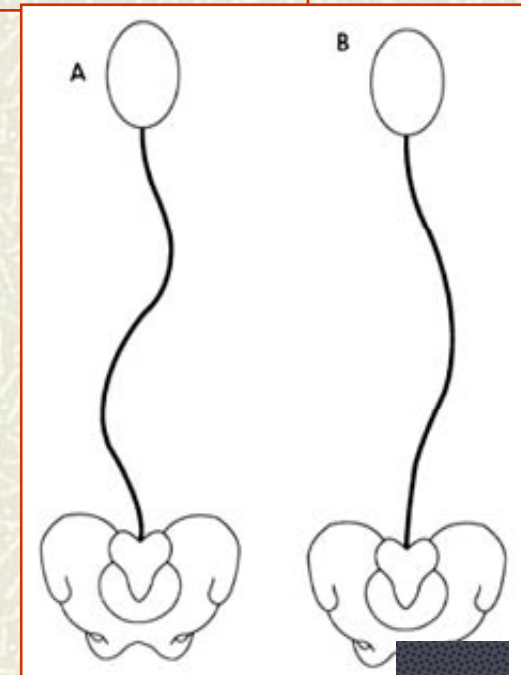


Treatment

Brace is not effective at all.

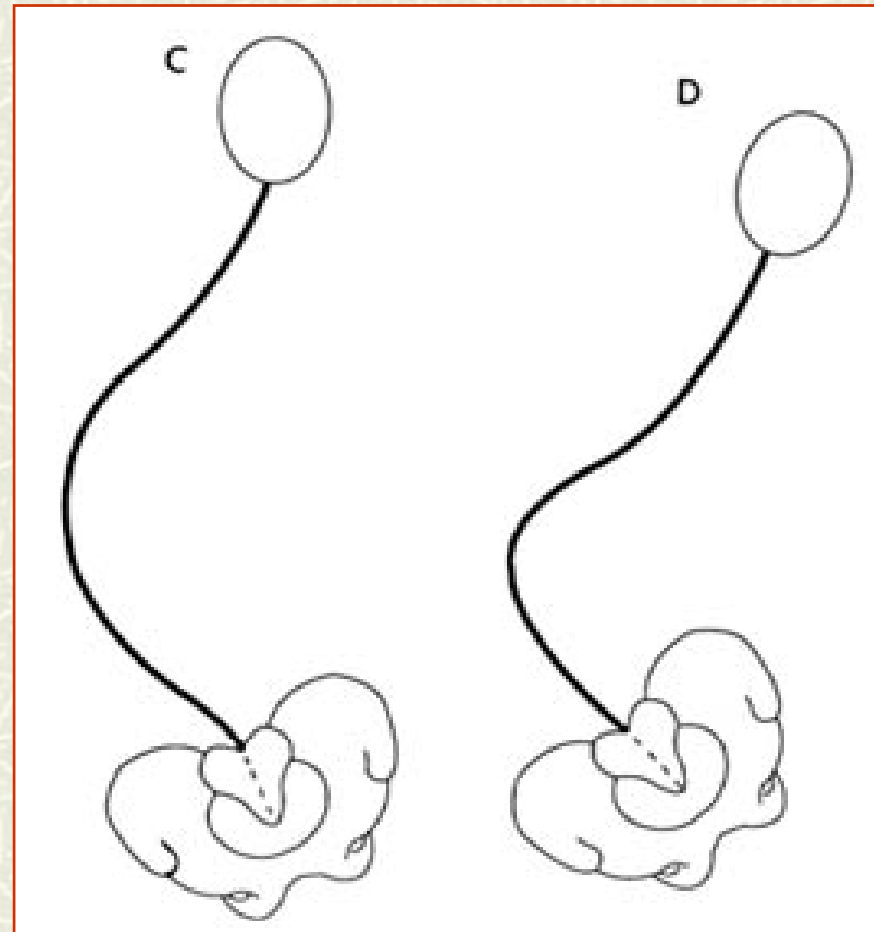
Operation if the curve > 25 degree

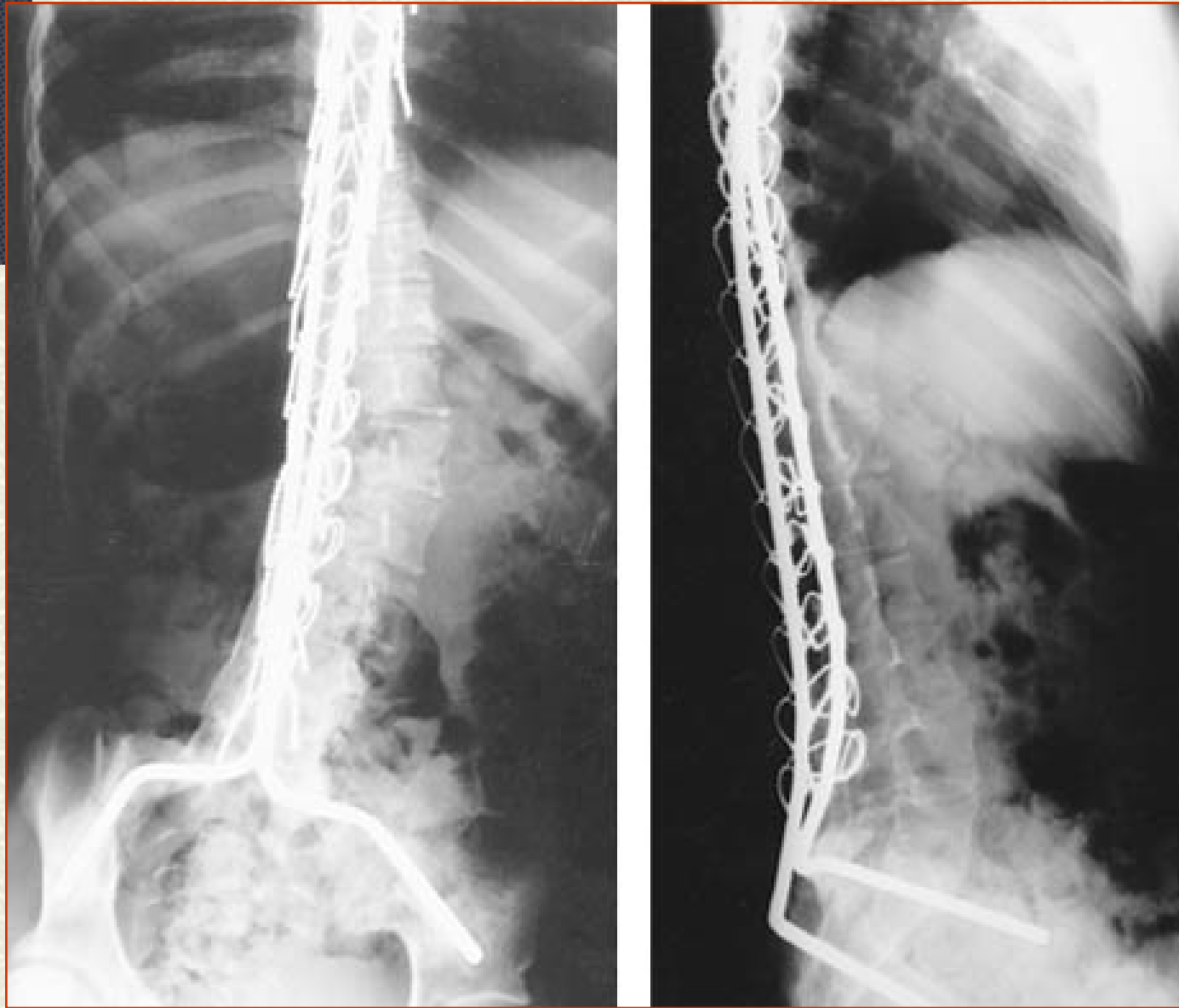
**If not involving the sacrum
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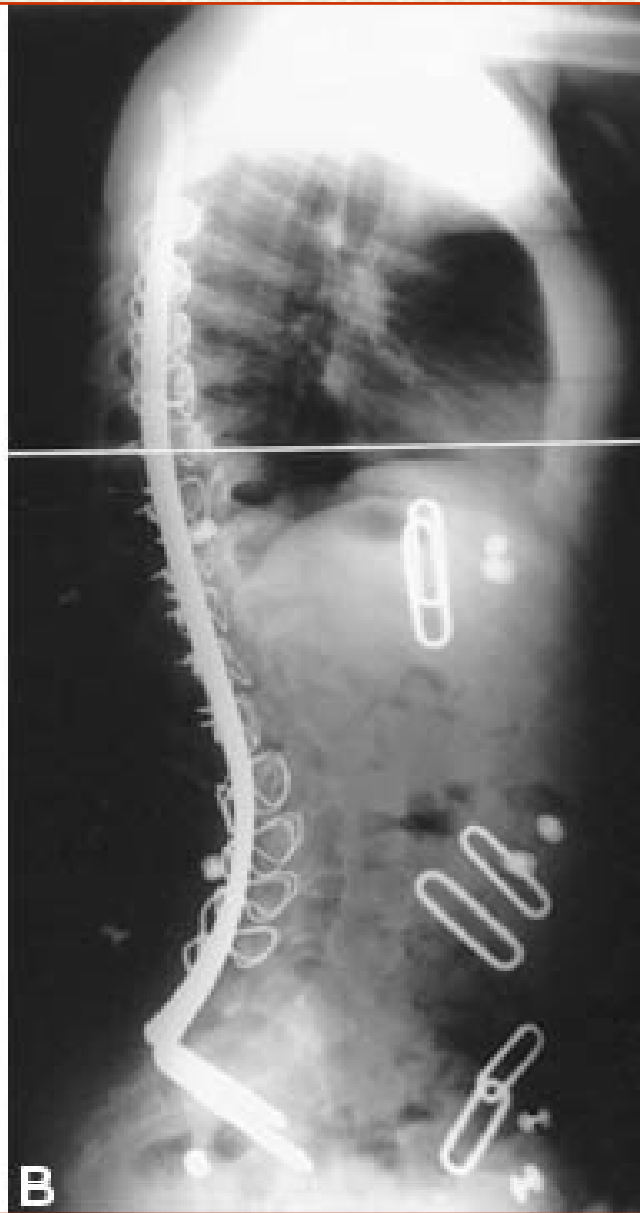
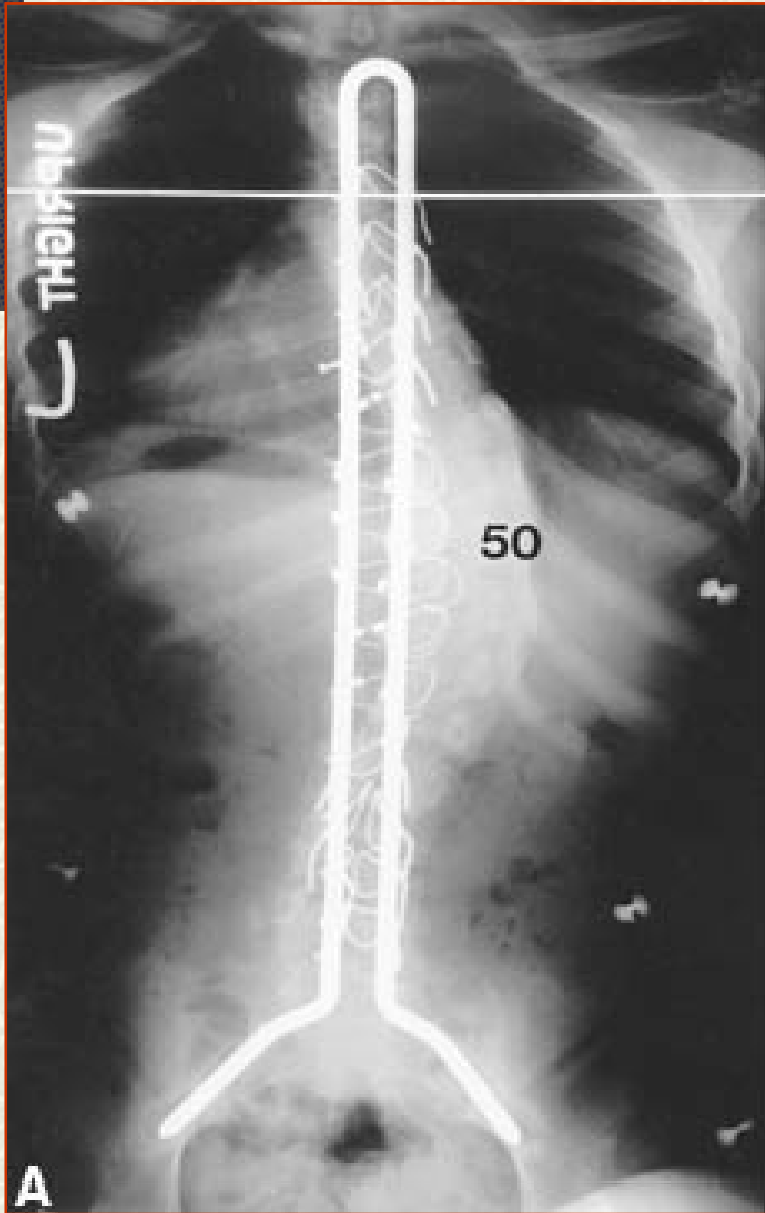


If involving the sacrum → pelvic obliquity

Fuse all the spine









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