

KNOW

**WHAT IS NOT RIGHT:
RECOGNIZING DYSMORPHIC FEATURES
AND WHAT THEY COULD MEAN!**

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WHAT YOU MAY SEE IN YOUR PEDIATRIC CLINIC . . .



SYNOPHRYS



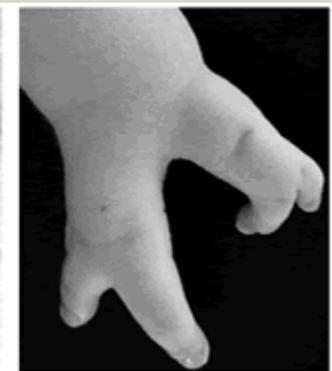
- May be seen in children with or without associated syndromes

SYNDROMES ASSOCIATED WITH SYNOPHRYS

- **Cornelia de Lange Syndrome**
- **Fetal Trimethadione Syndrome**
- **Sanfilippo Syndrome**
- **Waardenburg Syndrome**
- **Others:**
 - **Deletion 3p Syndrome**
 - **Deletion 9p Syndrome**
 - **Duplication 3q Syndrome**
 - **Duplication 4p Syndrome**

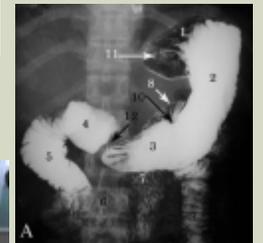
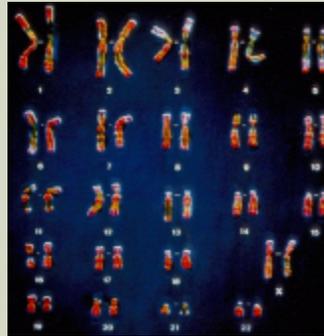
CORNELIA DE LANGE SYNDROME AKA BRACHMAN DE LANGE SYNDROME

- 1 in 10,000 live births
- Clinical diagnosis
 - 3 known mutations
- Low birth weight, short stature, microcephaly
- Developmental delay
- GERD
- Behavioral issues
 - self-injury
 - autistic-like behavior
 - anxiety
 - OCD
 - ADHD
- Facial features
 - synophrys
 - Short upturned nose
 - thin downturned lips
 - low-set ears
 - high-arched/cleft palate)
- Limb anomalies



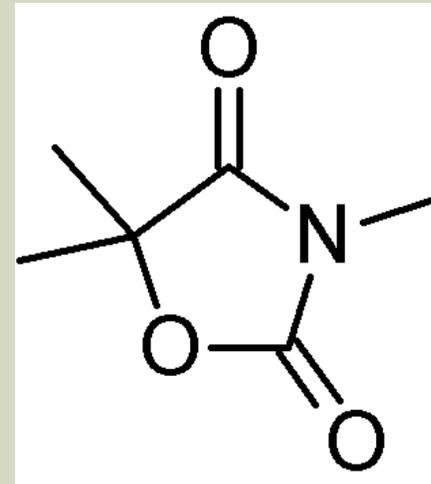
CORNELIA DE LANGE SYNDROME - MANAGEMENT

- At time of diagnosis:
 - Karyotype (typically normal)
 - Echocardiogram
 - Renal ultrasound
 - Ophthalmology referral
 - Hearing evaluation
 - Upper GI (R/O malrotation or reflux)
 - Evaluate for GERD
 - Developmental assessment (special development chart)
 - Early intervention services
 - Special growth charts, high calorie formulas
 - Support organization information for the family
 - Genetics counseling
- Later: behavioral or psychiatric assessment
- At risk for volvulus, malrotation, and GI necrosis



FETAL TRIMETHADIONE SYNDROME

- Trimethadione is a teratogenic anticonvulsant
- Rare disease
- High fetal loss rate
- Craniofacial features
 - microcephaly
 - flat midface
 - synophrys, v-shaped eyebrows
 - short nose
- Cardiac anomalies
- Absent kidney and ureter
- Meningocele
- Omphalocele
- Developmental delay



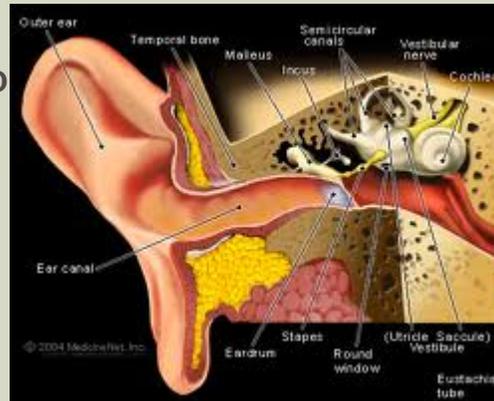
SANFILIPPO SYNDROME AKA MUCOPOLYSACCHARIDOSIS III

- Autosomal recessive lysosomal storage disease
- 1 in 24,000 live births
- Normal development until age 2, then progressive neurologic impairment, life expectancy 12-20
- Gene therapy trial in progress



WAARDENBURG SYNDROME

- Autosomal dominant
- Abnormal melanocyte distribution in embryogenesis
- 4 types
 - Type 1&2 - more common
 - Type 2 - more likely to be deaf
 - Type 4 - Hirschsprung
- Major criteria:
 - Sensorineural hearing loss
 - Congenital deafness in 20%
 - Iris pigmentary anomalies
 - Hair hypopigmentation
 - Dystopia canthorum
 - 1st degree relative
- Minor criteria:
 - skin hypopigmentation
 - synophrys
 - broad nasal root
 - hypoplasia alae nasi
 - premature graying



HEMIHYPERTROPHY



CLICK!

- Beckwith-Wiedeman Syndrome
- Russell- Silver Syndrome
- Proteus Syndrome
- Poland Anomaly
- Klippel-Trenaunay Syndrome



BECKWITH WIEDEMAN SYNDROME

- Gene map locus 11p15
- Characteristics: macrosomia, macroglossia, prominent eyes with infraorbital hypoplasia, ear creases, umbilical hernia/omphalocele
- hypoglycemia in early infancy due to pancreatic hyperplasia, neonatal polycythemia, organomegaly (liver, kidney, adrenal, pancreas)



WHAT TO THINK ABOUT

- Special feeding techniques or speech therapy due to the macroglossia.
- Surgical intervention for abdominal wall defects, leg length discrepancies, and renal malformations.

- increased risk for tumor formation!!
- 7.5%, further increased to 10% if hemihyperplasia is present
- Wilms' tumor, hepatoblastoma, neuroblastoma, rhabdomyosarcoma
- Important Screening Measures:
 - (1) Abdominal US q3 months until 8 years old
 - (2) Serum alpha-fetoprotein q6 weeks as a screen for hepatoblastoma until 3 years old

Interesting Fact: ART used 10-20xs more in BWS infants, risk after IVF 1 in 4000 (9 fold higher than general population)

RUSSELL SILVER SYNDROME

Characteristics:

- short stature
- triangular facies
- prominent forehead
- narrow chin
- small jaw
- down-turned corners of the mouth
- café-au-lait spots
- clinodactyly
- excess sweating
- asymmetry of limbs



RUSSELL SILVER SYNDROME

- Intrauterine growth retardation, postnatal growth retardation, normal head circumference
- liability to fasting hypoglycemia from 1-3 yo
- digestive system abnormalities
- associated with an increased risk of delayed development and learning disabilities.

PROTEUS SYNDROME

- rare (only a few hundred worldwide)
- mosaic mutation in a gene 'AKT1'
- asymmetric overgrowth of the extremities
- generalized thickness of skin and subcutaneous tissue (muscles and bones)
- pigmented epidermal nevi
- hamartomatous tumors
- macrodactyly
- hemihypertrophy
- syndromic hemimegalencephaly
- severe seizures, beginning in neonates, (uncommon)



General Criteria

Mosaic Distribution
Progressive Course
Sporadic Occurrence

Specific Criteria**Category A**

Cerebriform connective tissue nevus

Category B

Linear epidermal nevus

Asymmetric, disproportionate overgrowth of two of:

Limbs, skull, external auditory canal, vertebrae, or viscera

Specific tumors in the first decade of life:

Bilateral ovarian cystadenomas

Monomorphic parotid adenomas

Category C

Dysregulated adipose tissue

Vascular Malformations

Capillary, venous, and/or lymphatic

Lung bullae

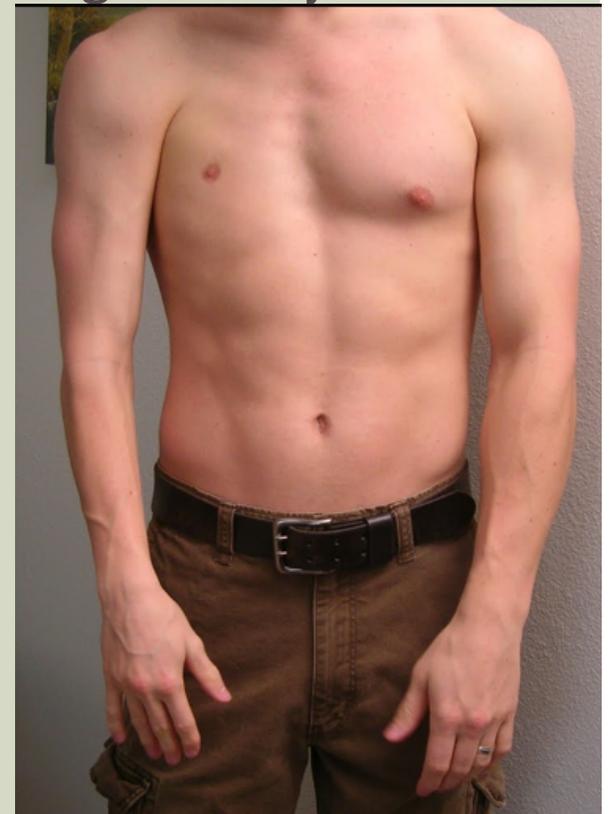
Facial phenotype:

Long face, dolichocephaly, down-slanted palpebral fissures, low nasal bridge, wide or anteverted nares, open mouth at rest

The diagnosis of Proteus syndrome requires all three general criteria, plus one criterion from category A, or two criteria from category B, or three criteria from category C.
(Adapted from Biesecker, 2006)

POLAND ANOMALY

- Unilateral features (75% right-sided)
- Hypoplasia/absence of pectoralis major muscle, nipple, areola
- Short, webbed fingers (symbrachydactyly), oligodactyly of ipsilateral hand
- Possible hemivertebrae, renal anomalies, Sprengel deformity
- Right > Left, Males > Females



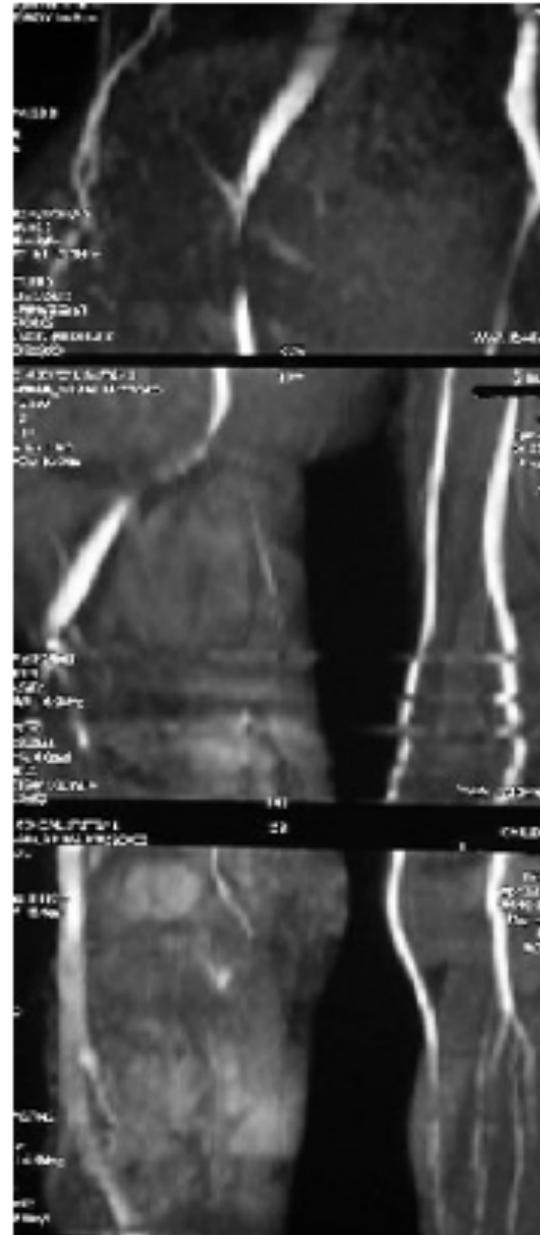
KLIPPEL TRANAUNEY SYNDROME

- 1) cutaneous vascular malformation 2) bony and soft tissue hypertrophy 3) venous abnormalities
- Present at birth, usually involves lower limb
- Capillary malformation localized to hypertrophied area
- Deep venous system absent or hypoplastic
- Thick-walled venous vasicosities ipsilateral to vascular malformation apparent after child begins to ambulate
- If associated AVM: KT –Weber Syndrome



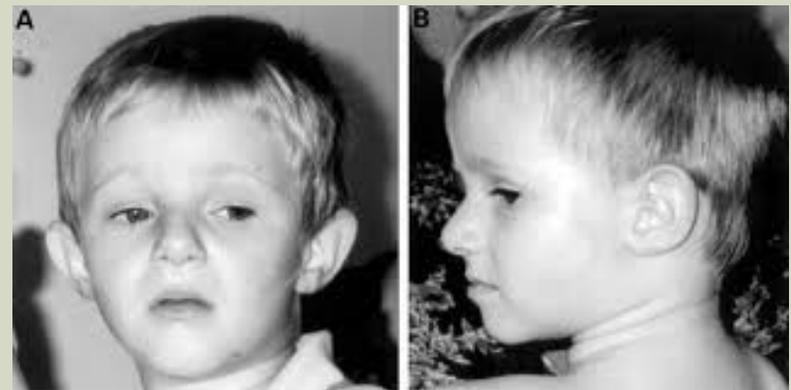
KLIPPEL TRANAUNEY SYNDROME

- Pain, limb swelling, cellulitis can occur
- Less frequently: thrombophlebitis, dislocation of joints, gangrene of affected extremity, heart failure, hematuria 2/2 to angiomatous involvement of urinary tract, rectal bleeding from lesions of GI tract, pulmonary lesions, malformation of lymphatic vessels
- Imaging: arteriograms, venograms, CT/MRI to determine extent of anomaly
- Surgical correction/palliation often difficult
- Doppler US guided percutaneous sclerotherapy can be helpful
- Supportive care: compression bandages for varicosities, orthotic devices for leg-length discrepancies



DOWNTURNED CORNERS OF THE MOUTH

- Cornelia de Lange Syndrome
- Escobar Syndrome
- Robinow Syndrome
- Russel-Silver Syndrome
- Others
 - Deletion 3p Syndrome
 - Deletion 4p Syndrome
 - Deletion 18p Syndrome
 - Deletion 18q Syndrome



ESCOBAR SYNDROME

- Autosomal recessive
- Dysfunction of acetylcholine receptor fetal gamma subunit
- Congenital arthrogryposis
- Pterygia (webbing) of neck, elbows, knees, axilla
- Respiratory distress



ROBINOW SYNDROME

- ~100 cases described
- "Fetal facies", small face, widely-spaced eyes
- Tented upper lip, dental crowding, gum hypertrophy
- Short-extremity dwarfism
- Vertebral and genital anomalies
- Autosomal dominant and autosomal recessive forms



Fig. 1 – 9 year 3 month-old boy with short limbs, typical facies and limited extension of the elbows and knees.

CRANIOSYNOSTOSIS

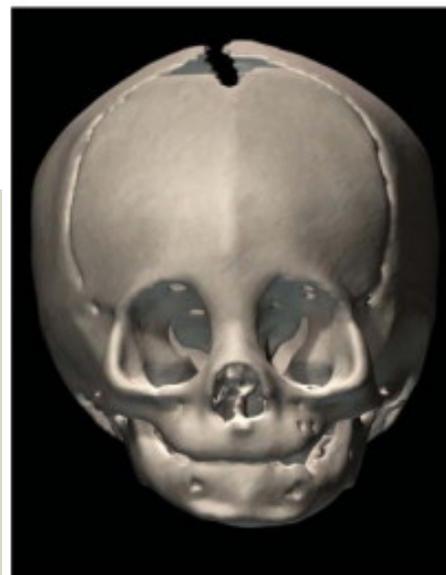
- Occurs in 1:1500 to 1:1900 live births
- Isolated nonsyndromic sagittal synostosis most common

Sagittal Synostosis = Scaphocephaly



MORE

- Metopic Synostosis = Trigonocephaly



WHAT TO LOOK OUT FOR

- Nonsyndromic, simple craniosynostosis vs. Syndromic Complex Craniosynostosis
- If >one suture → more rare, AD pattern
- Syndromes to Consider:
 - 1) Apert
 - 2) Crouzon
 - 3) Pfeiffer

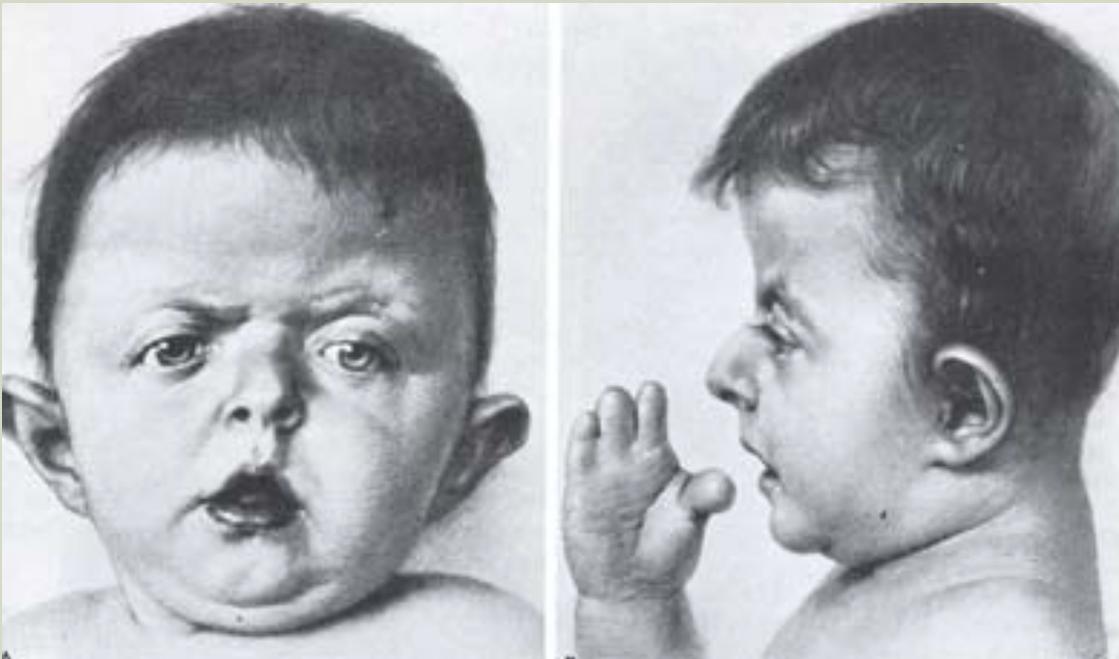
COMPLEX CRANIOSYNOSTOSIS

- Genetics --> mutations that result in patterns of suture fusion and systemic anomalies assoc. w/ >100 syndromic craniosynostosis
- Fibroblast Growth Factor Receptors (FGFR) responsible for restraining growth → various mutations in its gene associated with craniosynostotic syndromes

| GENE/PROTEIN | SYNDROME | CHROMOSOME |
|--------------|--|------------|
| FGFR1 | Pfeiffer | 8 |
| FGFR2 | Apert Crouzon Pfeiffer Jackson-Weiss Beare-Stevenson | 10 |
| FGFR3 | Muenke Crouzon with AN | 4 |

APERT SYNDROME

- AD with incomplete penetrance, majority new mutations
- 1) Craniofacial: coronal synostosis → brachycephaly and high cranium, full forehead with flat occiput, flat facies, shallow orbits, hypertelorism, small nose
- Limb anomalies: dymmetric syndactyly, short fingers



APERT SYNDROME

APERT SYNDROME: FEATURES AND FINDINGS

Craniofacial

Brachycephaly due to coronal suture synostosis
Hypertelorism
Proptosis
V-pattern exotropia
Midface hypoplasia
Choanal stenosis
Cleft palate
Stylohyoid calcification
Conductive hearing deficits

Extracranial Skeletal

Symmetrical syndactyly of the hands
Cervical spine fusion
Shortened humeri

Other

Cardiovascular anomalies
Hydronephrosis
Cryptorchidism
Tracheal anomalies
Obstructive sleep apnea
Diffuse acne



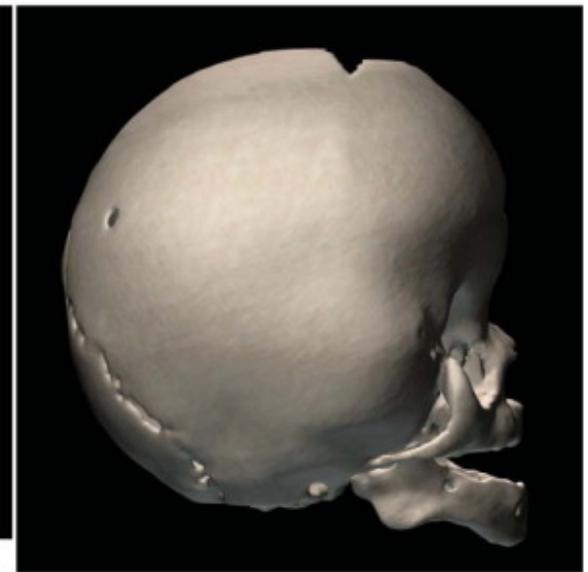
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WHAT TO CONSIDER

- significant eye injury (proptosis and exotropic)
- Strabismus → visual acuity problems
- More frequent middle ear infections
- Various intracranial anomalies (early baseline MRI, baseline CT scan and serial exams to eval intracranial htn)
- Developmental delays/cognitive deficits
- Correction of coronal sutures (age of operation affects intelligence)

CROUZON SYNDROME

- AD with variable expression; 60% new mutations
- Characteristics: ocular proptosis due to shallow orbits, hypertelorism, frontal bossing, maxillary hypoplasia, hearing loss, brachycephaly due to bilateral coronal craniosynostosis, bifid uvula, +/- cleft palate



WHAT TO CONSIDER

- Chiari I malformations present in 71% of cases (assoc with hindbrain herniation in small %) → due to early closure of lambdoid sutures
- Early MRI to eval hydrocephalus and provide baseline imaging
- Conductive hearing loss due to midface anomalies
- Possible neurosensory hearing loss
- Frequent OM due to impeded eustachian tube function
- Hearing evaluation and serial monitoring, ENT involvement



CROUZON SYNDROME: FEATURES AND FINDINGS

Craniofacial

Brachycephaly due to coronal suture synostosis
Hydrocephaly with Chiari I malformation
Hypertelorism
Proptosis
Midface hypoplasia
"Beaked" nose

Cleft palate

Stylohyoid calcification

Conductive and/or neurosensory hearing deficit

Extracranial Skeletal

Cervical spine fusion

Other

Acanthosis nigricans

PFEIFFER SYNDROME

- Characteristics: brachycephaly with craniosynostosis of coronal, with or without sagittal sutures; full high forehead, ocular hypertelorism, shallow orbits, proptosis, broad thumbs and toes, hearing loss (secondary to anatomic abnormalities)
- Etiology: autosomal dominant or sporadic; three types, type 2 associated with cloverleaf skull



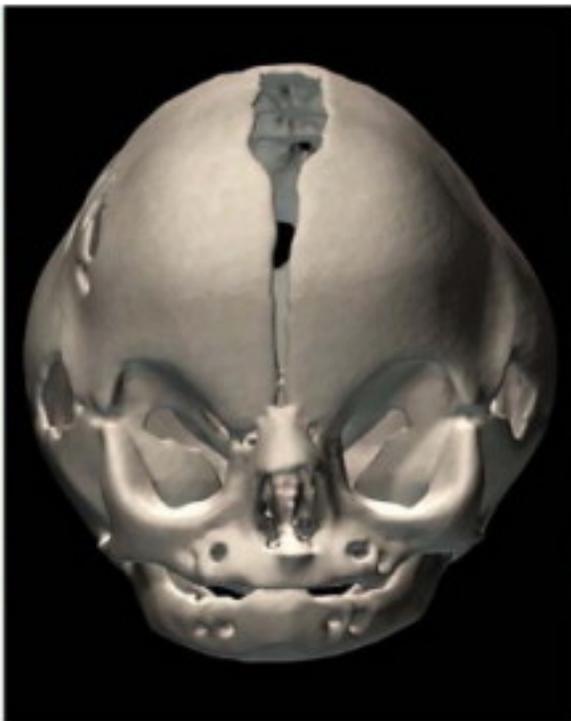
- 3 clinical subtypes: Type I – normal intelligence, good prognosis, Types II and III – mental retardation, poor prognosis
- strabismus
- Frequent OM
- Conductive hearing loss due to midface anomalies
- Hearing Eval and ENT involvement
- Visceral GI manifestations less common (pyloric stenosis, malpositioned anus)



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PFEIFFER SYNDROME: FEATURES AND FINDINGS

| | Type I | Type II | Type III |
|---|--------|---------|----------|
| Craniofacial | | | |
| Acrocephaly, or turribrachycephaly (oxycephaly,) due to coronal suture synostosis | + | | + |
| Kleeblattschädel sutural deformity | | + | |
| Hydrocephaly | | + | |
| Midface hypoplasia | + | ++ | ++ |
| "Beaked" nose | + | + | + |
| Hypertelorism | + | + | + |
| Proptosis | + | ++ | + |
| Blindness | | + | |
| Choanal atresia | | + | + |
| Mental retardation | | + | + |
| Extracranial Skeletal | | | |
| Broad, radially deviated thumbs | + | + | + |
| Broad, medially deviated great toes | + | + | + |
| Soft-tissue syndactyly | + | + | + |
| Elbow ankylosis | | + | + |



BLUE SCLERAE

- Osteogenesis Imperfecta Types 1 and 2
- Marshall-Smith Syndrome
- Roberts-SC Phocomelia
- Russel-Silver Syndrome



OSTEOGENESIS IMPERFECTA

- Autosomal dominant or recessive mutation in collagen-coding gene
- Multiple types
 - Type 1 is mildest and most common form (50%) – may have few symptoms
 - Type 2 (OI congenita) - most severe, cardiac defects, death in neonatal period
 - Type 3 (severe OI) – often wheelchair bound
 - Type 4 (moderately severe OI) - may need braces or crutches
- Manifestations
 - Blue sclera
 - Multiple fractures
 - Hearing loss
 - Joint hypermobility
 - Scoliosis, deformities
- Diagnosis: skin punch biopsy
- Treatment
 - Bisphosphonates
 - Growth hormone
 - Low impact exercise
 - Bracing or surgery
 - Support for body image concerns
 - Genetic counseling



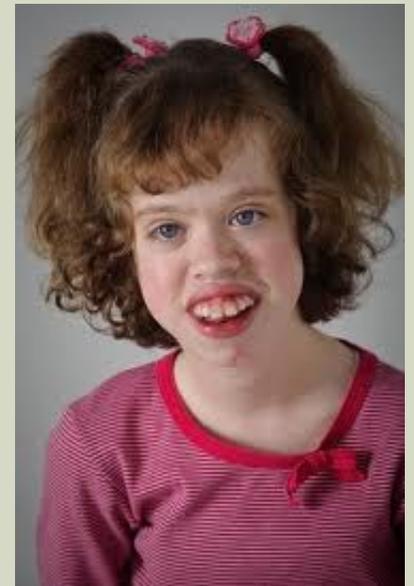
ROBERTS-SC PHOCOMELIA SYNDROME AKA PSEUDOTHALIDOMIDE SYNDROME

- ~150 reported cases
- Autosomal recessive tetraphocomelia
- Premature centromere separation
- Marked variability in expression
- Craniofacial anomalies (e.g. cleft lip/palate)
- Nose and ear anomalies
- Severe intellectual disability
- Clinical and cytogenetic diagnosis



MARSHALL-SMITH SYNDROME

- Very rare
- Advanced bone age at birth
- Wide prominent forehead
- Prominent eyes
- Micrognathia
- Uprturned nose
- Laryngeotracheal anomalies
- Feeding difficulties
- Developmental delay



ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- POSSUM (Pictures of Standard Syndromes and Undiagnosed Malformations)
- LDDB (London Dysmorphology Database)
- SYNDROC (Syndrome Congenital Malformation Database)

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