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CHAPTER 1

Normal and Abnormal Growth

■ NORMAL GROWTH M

- Growth refers to **increase in physical size** of an organ or body
- **Anthropometric parameters** are used to assess growth like: **Weight, Height, Head circumference**, body mass index, skin fold thickness
- To know whether growth of a child is appropriate for his age or not, we need to **compare it with a standard** (expected value).

Devices used for assessment of growth M

Name of parameter	Device used
Length	Infantometer ^Q
Height	Stadiometer ^Q
Head circumference	Non-stretchable measuring tape
Skin fold thickness	Harpenden Callipers ^Q



QUESTION 1

What is this instrument used for?



- Measure weight
- Measure height
- Measure length
- Measure upper segment: lower segment ratio

GROWTH CHARTS M

- Growth standards are **norms of growth** presented in tabular or graphical manner
- Initial growth charts in 1977, were developed by **NCHS (National Centre for Health Statistics)**
- Followed by **CDC growth charts in 2000^Q**. (Based on formula-fed US children)
- **WHO growth charts are preferred for under-5 children all over the world.** It is based on breast-fed babies & it first came into use in 2006^Q.



M NEMONIC

- **WHO growth charts** are based on multicentre growth reference study (MGRS)^Q conducted in six different countries: **Brazil, Oman, Norway, Ghana, US, India** and (Mnemonic: 'BONGUI').

WHO growth chart for 'Height for age' for boys





High Yield Points

- Birth weight of an average Indian baby is 2.8 kg^Q
- A term newborn loses up to 10% of its birth weight in 3–5 days after birth, regained by day 10 of life
- Birth weight doubles by 5 months of age
- Birth weight triples by 1 year & quadruples by 2 years



High Yield Points

- Maximum increase in height occurs in 1st year^Q followed by puberty^Q
- Physiological hypertrophy of lymphoid tissue is seen between 4 and 8 years^Q



High Yield Points

- Length increases by 50% in the first year of life^Q
- Height doubles at around 4 years^Q
- Height becomes triple of the height at birth by 12 years



QUESTION 2

Identify the syndrome this child with short stature has?



- Seckel syndrome
- Turner syndrome
- Cornelia de Lange syndrome
- Rubinstein-Taybi syndrome



High Yield Points

- Most common cause of short stature in childhood is constitutional delay in growth & puberty (CDGP)
- In CDGP, the final adult height attained is normal
- 20% of IUGR babies remain short throughout life

NORMAL ANTHROPOMETRIC PARAMETERS

I. WEIGHT

Increase in weight with age ^M

Age	Weight (kg)	Description
Birth	w	Birth weight
5 months	2 w	Twice of birth weight ^Q
1 year	3 w	Thrice of birth weight ^Q
2 years	4 w	Four times the birth weight
3 years	5 w	Five times the birth weight
5 years	6 w	Six times the birth weight
7 years	7 w	Seven times the birth weight
10 years	10 w	Ten times the birth weight

If birth weight is not known, following formula can be used to calculate expected weight of a child at different ages:

For age group	Expected weight (kg)
Infants (age < 1 year)	$\frac{x + 9}{2}$, where x is age in months
1–6 years	2 x + 8, where x is age in years
7–12 years	$\frac{7x - 5}{2}$, where x is age in years

II. HEIGHT

- If a child < 2 years old, measure recumbent length.
- If ≥ 2 years age & able to stand, measure standing height.
- Standing height is about 0.7 cm less than recumbent length.

Increase in length or height with age ^M

Age	Birth	1 year	2 years	4 years	12 years
Height	50 cm	75 cm	90 cm	100 cm	150 cm

Formula for calculating expected height for age group 2–12 years:
 Expected Height = 6x + 77 cm, where x is the age in years.

III. UPPER SEGMENT:LOWER SEGMENT RATIO (US:LS) ^M

- Upper segment is measured from vertex to symphysis pubis
- Lower segment is measured from pubic symphysis to heel (sole).

Normal upper segment to lower segment ratio in children:

Age	Newborn	3 years	7–10 years
US : LS	1.7–1.9 : 1 ^Q	1.3 : 1	1 : 1 ^Q

SHORT STATURE ^M

Definition

Height < 3rd percentile^Q or - 2 SD^Q below the median height for that age & sex.

Types

- Proportionate: US:LS normal
- Disproportionate: US:LS altered
 - Short trunk dwarfism: US:LS ratio decreased
 - Short limb dwarfism: US:LS ratio increased.

Important Causes of Proportionate Short Stature ^M

Normal variants	Intrauterine causes	Acquired causes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Familial • Constitutional delay in growth & puberty (CDGP)^Q 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small for gestational age (SGA) • Congenital infections: TORCH • Genetic: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Turner syndrome – Down syndrome – Seckel syndrome 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Under nutrition • Chronic systemic illness, e.g. chronic kidney disease • Endocrine causes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – GH deficiency – Cushing syndrome – Precocious or delayed puberty • Psychosocial dwarfism



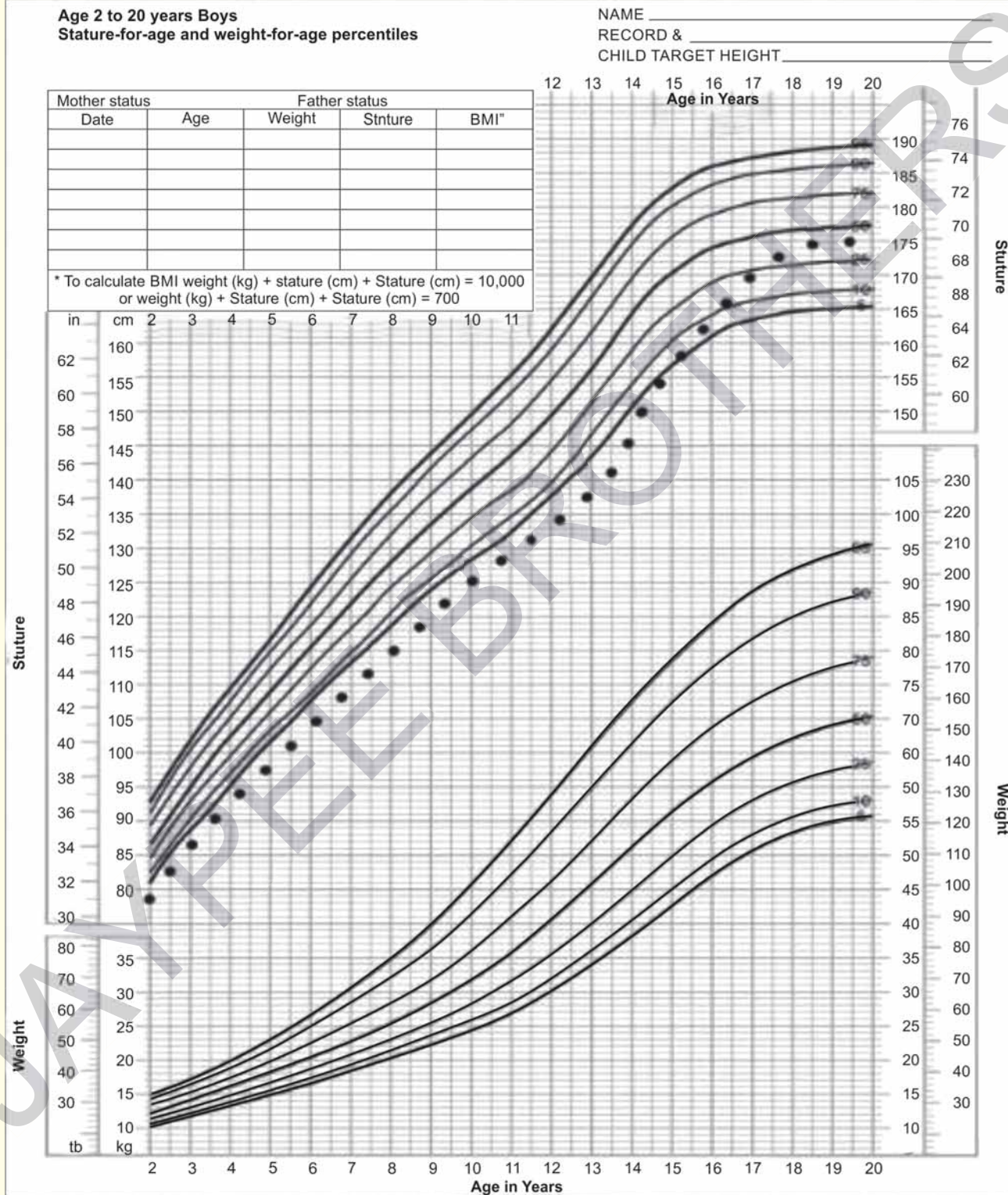
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"T-D-S"



QUESTION 3

The growth chart of Rahul is shown from his early childhood till he becomes an adult. He had short stature during childhood. What could be the underlying cause for the same?



- a. Familial short stature
- b. Growth hormone deficiency
- c. Constitutional delay in growth & puberty
- d. Achondroplasia



QUESTION 4

Identify the abnormality this child is suffering from:



- a. Osteogenesis imperfecta
- b. Achondroplasia
- c. Mucopolysaccharidosis
- d. Rickets



High Yield Points

- In **familial short stature**, the **final height attained is less** than the expected height according to age & sex, **but it is normal as per the child's target height**
- **Mid parental height** for:

$$\frac{\text{Father's height} + \text{Mother's height} + 13}{2} \text{ cm}$$
 - Boys = _____ cm
$$\frac{\text{Father's height} + \text{Mother's height} - 13}{2} \text{ cm}$$
 - Girls = _____ cm



High Yield Points

- Bone age is **equal to chronological age** in **familial short stature**
- In **constitutional growth delay**, **under nutrition** hypothyroidism & GH deficiency, **bone age is less** than chronological age



M NEMONIC

Causes of large anterior fontanel in children: "AAP CCHOR"

- Achondroplasia
- Apert syndrome
- Prematurity
- Cleidocranial dysostosis
- Congenital rubella syndrome
- Hypophosphatasia
- Osteogenesis imperfecta
- Rickets

Important Causes of Disproportionate Short Stature

Short trunk dwarfism	Short limb dwarfism
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spondyloepiphyseal dysplasia • Mucopolysaccharidosis^Q • Mucopolidosis • Caries spine^Q • Hemivertebrae (congenital vertebral defect) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rickets^Q • Osteogenesis imperfecta^Q • Hypothyroidism^Q • Achondroplasia^Q • Hypochondroplasia • Chondrodysplasia punctata • Chondroectodermal dysplasia • Metaphyseal chondrodysplasia



M NEMONIC

"Short Man May Climb High"

Comparison of Important Causes of Proportionate Short Stature

Cause	Birth weight & length	Skeletal maturation	Timing of puberty	Other features	Treatment
Familial short stature	Normal	Normal	Normal	Normal growth velocity	Not required/ Assurance
Constitutional growth delay	Normal	Delayed	Delayed	Normal growth velocity	Not required/ Assurance
Growth hormone deficiency	Normal weight Slightly reduced length	Delayed	Normal	Hypoglycemia Hypothyroidism Micropenis Truncal adiposity	Subcutaneous recombinant GH

TALL STATURE

Important causes of tall stature in childhood are:

Fetal overgrowth	Nonendocrine causes	Endocrine causes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maternal diabetes mellitus • Cerebral gigantism (Sotos syndrome) • Weaver syndrome • Beckwith-Wiedemann syndrome 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Familial/constitutional • Exogenous obesity • Marfan syndrome • Fragile X syndrome • Klinefelter syndrome (XXY) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excess GH secretion • McCune-Albright syndrome • Precocious puberty • Hyperthyroidism

HEAD CIRCUMFERENCE (HC)



High Yield Points

- Total **brain volume doubles in 1st year of life**
- Total brain volume at age 1 month is 36% of adult volume, at **1 year is 72%**, while it is **83% of adult brain size by 2 years**
- Rapid increase in head circumference suggests a tumor or hydrocephalus

- It is measured through the **occipital protuberance & supraorbital ridge**
- A **non-stretchable measuring tape** taken
- Measurement is repeated thrice & maximum value is taken
- Normal Head circumference in a newborn is **33-35 cm^Q**.

Rate of increase in head circumference

Time after birth	Age	Increase in HC (cm)
1 st 3 months	1-3 months	2 cm/month
Next 3 months	4-6 months	1 cm/month
Next 6 months	7-12 months	0.5 cm/month
Next 2 years	1-3 years	0.2 cm/month



QUESTION 5

Identify this syndrome in which the following are seen:



A



B



C

- a. Down syndrome
- b. Patau syndrome
- c. Edward syndrome
- d. Turner syndrome



High Yield Points

- **Microcephaly^Q**: Head circumference < -3 SD below the mean for age and sex
- **Macrocephaly^Q**: Head circumference > 95th percentile for age and sex

Important Causes of Microcephaly

Primary causes	Secondary causes ^M
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cornelia de Lange syndrome • Smith-Lemli-Opitz syndrome • Patau syndrome^Q • Edward syndrome^Q • Familial • Rubinstein-Taybi syndrome • Cri du chat syndrome 	<p>Congenital infections^Q: CMV, Rubella, Toxoplasmosis</p> <p>Maternal causes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alcohol • Smoking • Phenytoin • Radiation • Phenylketonuria^Q • Diabetes <p>Infections in infancy: Meningitis, Encephalitis</p> <p>Malnutrition Perinatal asphyxia/HIE</p> <p>Acquired microcephaly:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rett syndrome^Q • Angelman syndrome • Seckel syndrome



M NEMONIC

“Cannot See PEFR in Child”

Important Causes of Large Head (Macrocephaly)

A. Thickened Cranium

- Chronic anemia
- Rickets
- Osteogenesis imperfecta.

B. Chronic Subdural Collection

- Can present as chronic subdural **hematoma** or subdural effusion
- **Most common cause** of subdural fluid collection in children is **meningitis^Q**.

C. Megalencephaly

- **Benign familial megalencephaly^Q**
- Lysosomal storage disorders (Tay -Sachs, GM1 gangliosidosis, Mucopolysaccharidosis)
- Aminoacidurias (**Maple syrup urine disease, Glutaric aciduria type I**)
- Carbohydrate disorder: Galactosemia
- Neurocutaneous: Neurofibromatosis, Tuberous sclerosis
- Achondroplasia
- Leukodystrophies (**Alexander ds, Canavan ds^Q, Metachromatic leukodystrophy**)
- Cerebral gigantism (**Sotos syndrome^Q**).



High Yield Points

Newborn^Q	First 4 weeks after birth
Infancy	First year
Toddler	1–3 years
Preschool child	3–6 years
School age child	6–12 years
Adolescence : 10–19 years	
• Early^Q	10–13 years
• Middle^Q	14–16 years
• Late^Q	17–19 years

QUESTION 6 M

The given picture of a child with recurrent fractures is suggestive of:



- Ehler Danlos syndrome
- Osteogenesis imperfecta
- Bitot's spots
- Alkaptonuria

QUESTION 7 M

What is the most probable cause of large head in this child?

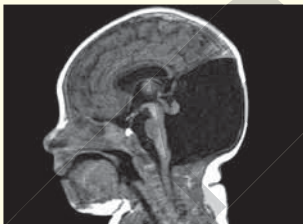


- Osteogenesis imperfecta
- Mucopolysaccharidosis
- Hydrocephalus
- Cerebral gigantism



QUESTION 8

Identify the abnormality seen in the MRI given:



- Vein of Galen malformation
- Arnold Chiari malformation
- Dandy-Walker malformation
- Choroid plexus papilloma

D. Hydranencephaly

- Cerebral hemispheres are absent or represented by membranous sacs
- Midbrain & brainstem is intact; but there is no cognitive development
- Transillumination shows absent cerebral hemispheres.

E. Hydrocephalus M

- Caused by impaired circulation &/or absorption of CSF, rarely by increased production
- Ventriculoperitoneal shunt^Q is the shunt of choice for treatment of hydrocephalus in children.

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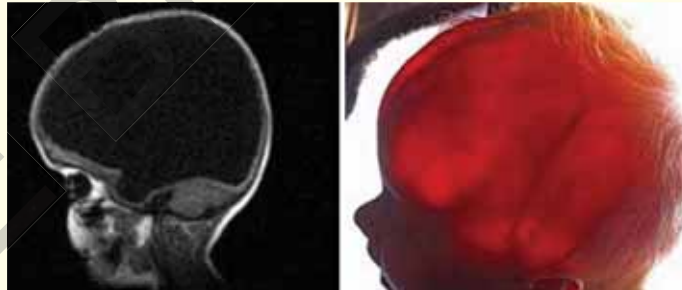
Causes of Hydrocephalus

Communicating	Non-Communicating
"C-A-M-P"	"M-A-A-A-D H-I-V"
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Choroid plexus papilloma Achondroplasia^Q Meningeal malignancy Post-hemorrhagic 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mass lesions Aqueductal stenosis^Q Arnold Chiari malformation^Q Abscess Dandy-Walker malformation^Q Hematoma Infections (Toxoplasmosis, Mumps, Neurocysticercosis) Vein of Galen malformation



QUESTION 9

Identify this defect in a baby with large head:



- Encephalocele
- Hydranencephaly
- Hydrocephalus
- Anencephaly

V. CHEST CIRCUMFERENCE (CC) M

- It is usually measured at the level of nipples (4th Intercostal space)
- At birth, HC > CC but difference between CC & HC is usually < 3 cm^Q
- HC = CC by the age of 9 months to 1 year.^Q
- If even after 1 year age, CC < HC it indicates malnutrition.

VI. MID ARM CIRCUMFERENCE (MAC) M

- It is measured in the middle of arm, using a non-stretchable measuring tape
- Overlapping technique is to be used for measurement
- Shakir's tape is used by Health workers to measure MAC
- Shakir's tape is divided into 3 colored zones:
 - Green zone is for MAC > 12.5 cm → normal nutritional status
 - Yellow zone for MAC 11.5–12.5 cm → borderline malnutrition
 - Red zone is for MAC < 11.5 cm → severe malnutrition.



QUESTION 10

What is this instrument used to measure?



- a. Body mass index
- b. Skin fold thickness
- c. Upper segment : lower segment ratio
- d. Mid arm circumference

VII. AGE INDEPENDENT ANTHROPOMETRIC INDICES

Used to assess nutritional status when child's age is not known.

Name of index	Formula	Normal value	In malnutrition
Kanawati & Mc Laren's index	Mid arm circumference / Head circumference (cm)	0.32 – 0.33	< 0.25
Rao & Singh's index	Weight (kg) / height ² (cm) × 100	> 0.14	0.12 – 0.14
Dugdale's index	Weight (kg) / height ^{1.6} (cm × 100)	0.88 – 0.97	< 0.79
Quaker arm circumference measuring stick (quac stik)	Mid arm circumference expected for a given height	75 – 85% < 75%	Malnourished Severely malnourished
Jeliff's ratio	Head circumference / Chest circumference	< 1 in a child > 1 year age	Ratio > 1 in a child > 1 year indicates Malnourished child

DENTITION ^M

Characteristics	Primary dentition	Secondary dentition
Also called	Milk teeth or temporary teeth	Permanent teeth
Begins at	6–7 months ^Q	6 years ^Q
Completes at	3 years	12 years (except for 3rd molar)
Total number of teeth	20	28–32 (depending on number of 3rd molars erupted)
1st tooth	Lower Central incisors^Q	First molars^Q
Last tooth	Second molars	Third molars
Sequence	Central incisors (appear first)^Q Lateral incisors First molars Canines Second molars (appears last)^Q	First molars (appear first)^Q Central incisors Lateral incisors First premolars Second premolars Canine Second molars Third molars (appear last)^Q



High Yield Point

Delayed Dentition is considered when there are **no teeth** by the age of **13 months**



M NEMONIC

For **sequence of teeth eruption in secondary dentition:**

"Mama Is In Pain Papa Can Make Medicine"

- **M**olars (first)
- **I**ncisors (Central)
- **I**ncisors (Lateral)
- **P**remolars (First)
- **P**remolars (Second)
- **C**anine
- **M**olars (Second)
- **M**olars (third)



LATEST UPDATES

- Previously **mid arm circumference was considered to be an age independent anthropometric index**, with a constant value of ~ 16 cm between 1 and 5 years
- Now we know that even MAC varies with age
- Mid arm circumference for age **charts are available** for boys and girls in **WHO** growth charts



M NEMONIC

Causes of Natal teeth

- S:** Soto's syndrome
- E:** Ellis-van Creveld syndrome
- E:** Epidermolysis bullosa, lethal acantholytic variety
- P:** Pierre Robin syndrome

**High Yield Points**

- **Advanced dentition** is seen in **precocious puberty and hyperthyroidism**
- **Supernumerary** teeth (more than normal number) are seen in: **Cleft lip, cleft palate, cleidocranial dysplasia, Gardner syndrome**
- Natal teeth refer to teeth already present at time of birth

**M NEMONIC****Causes of Delayed Dentition****'FRIED ChoP'**

- **F**amilial
- **R**ickets
- **I**diopathic; Incontinentia pigmenti
- **E**ndocrine causes: Hypothyroidism, hypoparathyroidism, hypopituitarism
- **D**own syndrome
- **C**leidocranial dysplasia
- **P**rogeria

**QUESTION 11**

What is the diagnosis in this child with delayed dentition?



- | | |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| a. Rickets | b. Achondroplasia |
| c. Cleidocranial dysostosis | d. Incontinentia pigmenti |

**QUESTION 12**

What is this teeth abnormality?



- | | |
|-----------------------|------------------------|
| a. Mulberry molars | b. Natal teeth |
| c. Hutchinson's teeth | d. Supernumerary teeth |

**High Yield Points**

- For 1–6 years, Formula for **number of carpal centers seen is: Age (in years) + 1**
- 1st carpal bone to appear in a child is capitate
- X-ray wrist and hand is best to assess bone age in a child.

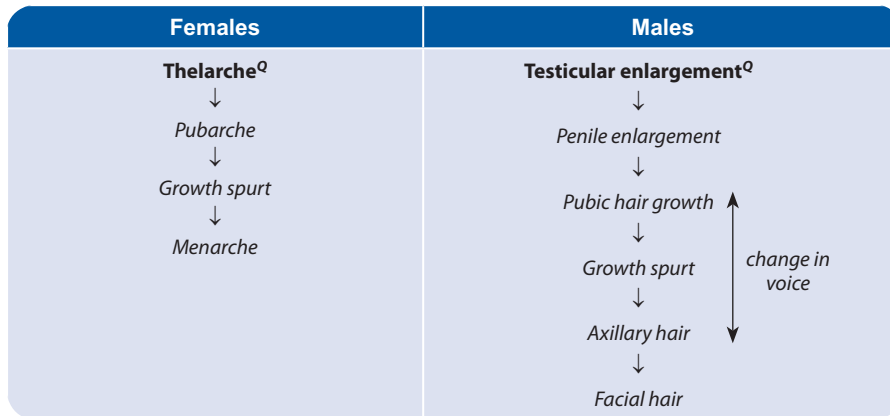
BONE DEVELOPMENT

- **Earliest ossification center** to develop in a fetus is of **calcaneus**^Q
- Other centers seen at birth are distal end of femur, proximal end of tibia, head of humerus, talus & cuboid.

NORMAL PUBERTY

- The term **adolescence** is derived from the latin word *adolescere*, meaning to **grow, to mature**; **Adolescent age group is 10–19 yrs age**
- 'Puberty' is the biologic process in which a child becomes an adult
- During the growth spurt that occurs in puberty, the increase in height seen in boys is 20–30 cm, while in girls, it is 16–28 cm.

Sequence of Changes in Puberty in Females and Males ^M



High Yield Points

WHO/UN definitions

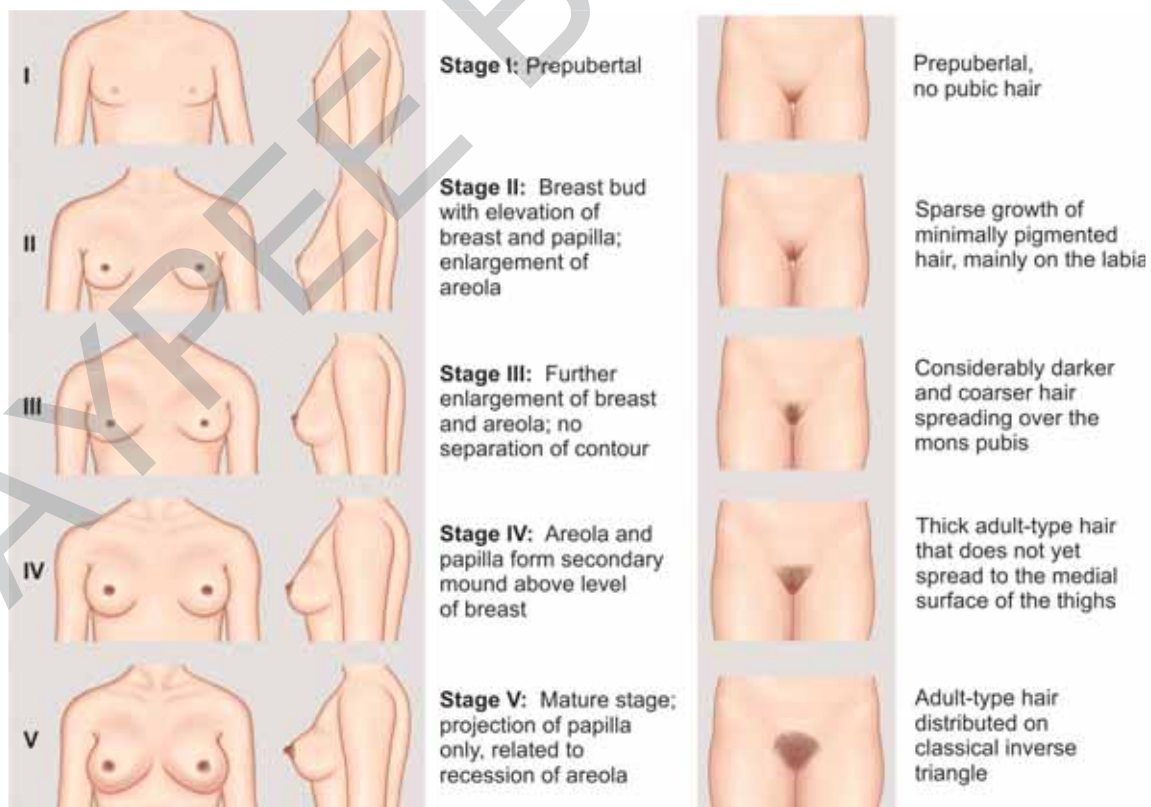
- Adolescent → 10–19 yrs^Q
- Youth → 15–24 yrs
- Young people → 10–24 yrs

Pubertal status of a child/adolescent is assessed using sexual maturity rating (SMR), or Tanner stages^Q.

High Yield Points

- In girls, **1st visible sign of puberty** & hallmark of SMR2 is appearance of breast buds or **thelarche**
- Thelarche usually occurs between 8–12 yrs of age in girls
- Menses typically begins 2–2½ yrs later, during SMR 3–4
- **Peak growth (growth spurt) occurs in females in Tanner's stage 3**

Tanner's Staging in Females





QUESTION 13

Identify the instrument:



- a. Growth assessment tool
- b. Urometer
- c. Stool assessment tool
- d. Orchidometer



QUESTION 14

What is the SMR staging based on the following findings in a female?



- a. 2
- b. 3
- c. 4
- d. 5



High Yield Points

- In boys, the 1st visible sign of puberty and the hallmark of SMR 2 is **testicular enlargement**
- Testicular enlargement begins around 9–10 yrs
- Testicular volume is assessed using an **'orchidometer'**
- Peak growth occurs in boys when testis volumes reach approximately 9–10 cm³ during SMR 4

Tanner's Staging in Males



Stage 1: Prepubertal; no pubic hair and genitals proportionally the same as in childhood. Testicular size less than 4 cc in volume and 2.5 cm in longest dimension

Stage 2: Sparse hair growth at the base of the penis - slightly darkened. Scrotum and testes enlarge; scrotum thins and reddens. Growth of testes to 4 cc or greater in volume

Stage 3: Hair growth darker more coarse and curled across the mons pubic. Penis grows in length and testes and scrotum continue to grow.

Stage 4: Hair growth more dense: coarse and curly like in an adult, but not yet spread to inner thighs. Penis continues to grow; the glans (head) of the penis becomes more prominent. The scrotum darkens.

Stage 5: Hair growth extends to inner thighs. Genitalia reach adult size and shape.

■ GYNECOMASTIA

- Benign^Q subareolar glandular breast enlargement seen in up to 65% adolescent males
- Typically appears at least 6 months after onset of secondary sex characteristics
- Peak incidence is during SMR 3 and 4.^Q

Difference between True & Pseudo Gynecomastia

- In true gynecomastia, glandular tissue is present^Q, which is palpable as a fibro-glandular mass located concentrically beneath the nipple areolar complex.

When to Evaluate?

- If patient is Pre-pubertal, has eccentric breast mass with rapid progression
- Any stigmata of chronic liver disease, thyroid or renal disease, hypogonadism.
- History of drug use or sexual dysfunction or visual field defects.



High Yield Points

- Pubertal gynecomastia usually regresses within 1–3 yrs^Q, as it is caused by a transient imbalance between estrogens and androgens

Answer Keys for Image-Based Questions

Answers	Explanations/Identifying features
1. Ans. c. Measure length	The instrument shown in the picture is an 'Infantometer'. Infantometer is a horizontal rod with a ruler with 2 vertical boards on 2 ends (one fixed and other moveable), used to measure length of an infant.
2. Ans. d. Rubinstein-Taybi syndrome	beaked nose (A), highly-arched eyebrows, retrognathia and broad thumbs (B) and great toes which are often deviated medially.
3. Ans. c. Constitutional delay in growth and puberty	He had short stature during childhood, but the final adult height attained is normal.
4. Ans. b. Achondroplasia	A → Short child with mainly short limbs ; B → Trident hand present C → Champagne glass pelvis All these are features of Achondroplasia It is due to mutation in <i>FGFR3</i> gene
5. Ans. c. Edward syndrome	A. Shows microcephaly, limb defects & rocker-bottom feet B. Shows overlapping fingers C. Shows rocker-bottom foot (convexity of soles, like a rocking chair) These features suggest a diagnosis of Edward syndrome or Trisomy 18 (Eighteen) [E-E].
6. Ans. b. Osteogenesis imperfecta	Blue sclera in a child with recurrent fractures suggests a diagnosis of Osteogenesis imperfecta .
7. Ans. c. Hydrocephalus	Large head in an infant with venous prominences over scalp and presence of ' setting-sun sign ', suggest hydrocephalus .
8. Ans. c. Dandy-Walker malformation	MRI brain shows dilated 4th ventricle with Cerebellar hypoplasia , suggestive of Dandy-Walker syndrome .
9. Ans. b. Hydranencephaly	Both cerebral hemispheres are absent & replaced by fluid filled sacs; Transillumination is positive.
10. Ans. d. Mid arm circumference	A measuring tape with cm markings (from 6 to 26 cm) with 3 colored zones (red, yellow & green) is a Shakir's tape .
11. Ans. c. Cleidocranial dysostosis	Large head with bilateral absent clavicles, such that the child can touch both his shoulders with each other.
12. Ans. c. Hutchinson's teeth	Notched incisors, as seen in this image are known as Hutchinson's teeth. They are seen in congenital syphilis.
13. Ans. d. Orchidometer	A string with ovoid bodies of different sizes with volume (in mL) written on each; This instrument is an Orchidometer .
14. Ans. b. 3	Developed breast and areola, but no contour separation, no secondary mound; dark pubic hairs present, but not curled ; These are features of Tanner's stage 3 .

Review of PEDIATRICS & Neonatology

Students' Review

I am Kavan Parikh AIR 21 in NEET PG 2020. I read Review of Pediatrics and Neonatology by Taruna Mam and Apurv Sir for my pediatrics preparation. The lucid format of the book appealed me at the onset. The content is highly authentic and updated with the recent guidelines. The book is a beautiful blend of theoretical and practical high yield points with ample of images and image based questions. The segregated high yield points are very handy for quick revisions. The content has been arranged in a very palatable manner-pointwise, without unnecessary text and boring sentence format. In a nutshell, it is a concise as well as precise source for pediatrics which any PG aspirant would be in search of.
—Kavan Parikh AIR 21 in NEET PG 2020

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—Sharang Gupta Secured AIR 499 In NEET PG 2020

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—Dr. Jaymin Gupta, AIR 1012 NEET PG 2020

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