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IGF-1 DEFICIENCY



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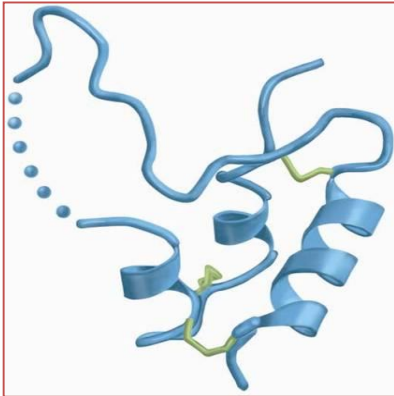
IGF-1 DEFICIENCY

PLAN OF PRESENTATION

- What is IGF-1?
- Factors that influence IGF-1 production
- Causes of IGF-1 deficiency
- Primary IGF-1 deficiency
- Treatment of IGF-1 deficiency

REGULATION OF IGF-1 SECRETION AND ACTION

Crystal structure of human insulin-like growth factor-1 (IGF-1)



- IGF-1 is a small (7.5 kDa) **intracellular protein** produced in response to growth hormone (GH)
- Nutrition, through insulin, regulates **IGF-1 synthesis in the liver**
- The **primary effect** of IGF-1 is to provide a signal to cells that adequate nutrient is available to:
 - avoid apoptosis
 - enhance cellular protein synthesis
 - enable cells to undergo hypertrophy in response to stimulus
- Each process is **regulated together with insulin** in the appropriate target tissue

METABOLIC ACTIONS OF IGF-1

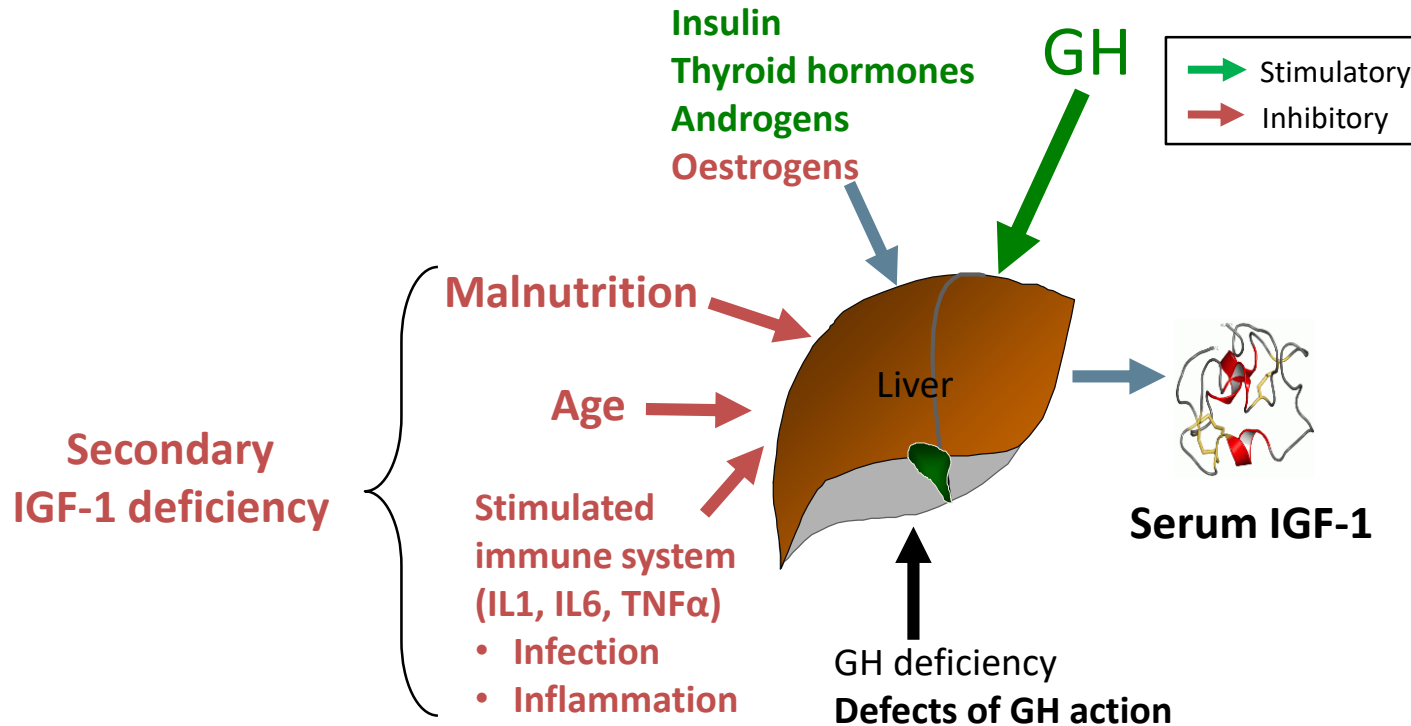
'IGF-1 has structural homology with insulin related to the evolution of proinsulin, IGF-1 and IGF-2 from a single precursor molecule.'

The function of the precursor molecule was to provide a chemical signal to cells within primitive organisms that adequate nutrient was present for protein synthesis and cell proliferation.

The primary variable regulating plasma IGF-1 concentrations is nutrient intake.'



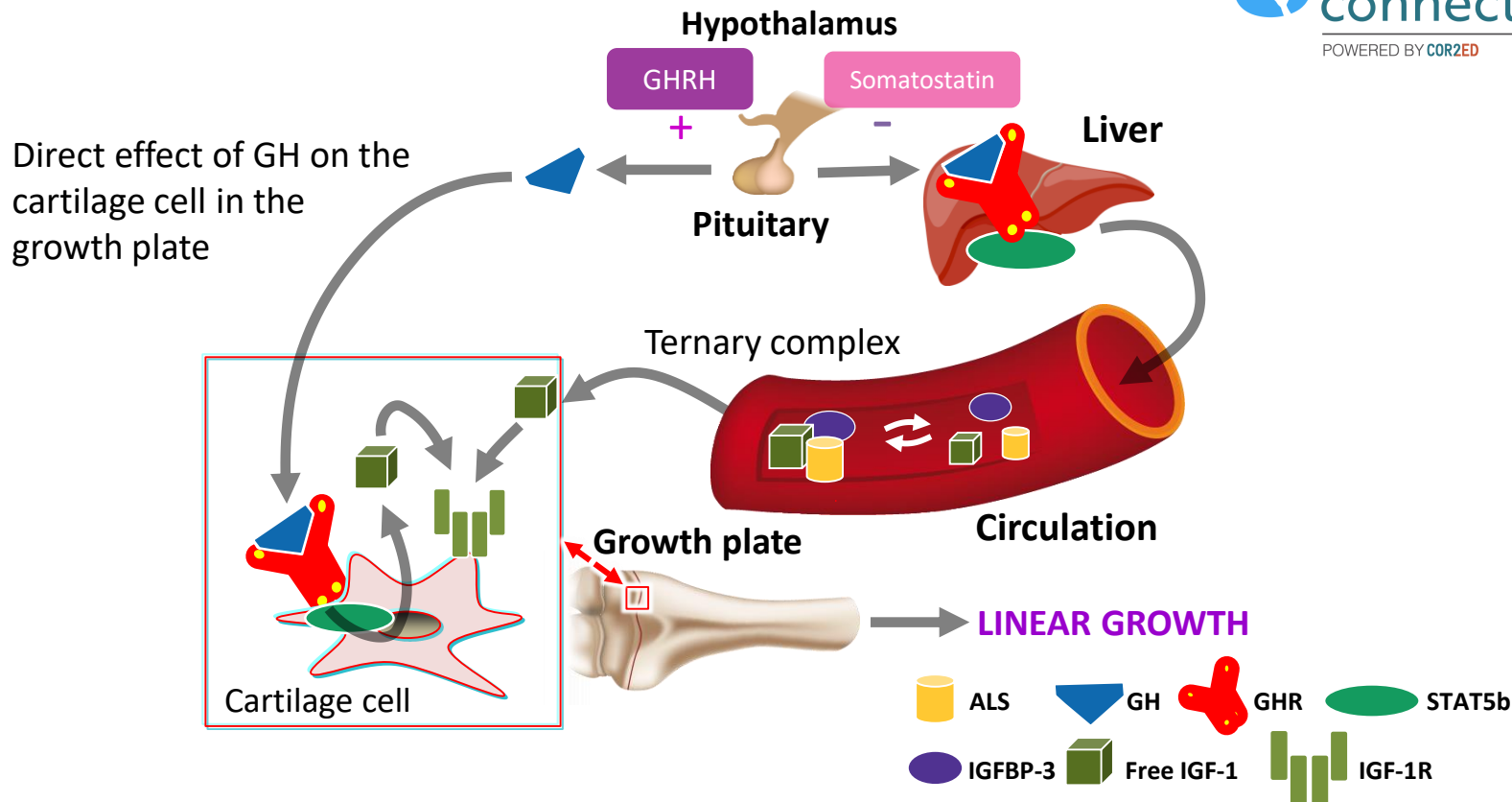
FACTORS THAT INFLUENCE SERUM IGF-1



GH, growth hormone; IGF-1, insulin-like growth factor-1; IL, interleukin; TNF α , tumour necrosis factor alpha

Adapted from Bogin B, et al. Int J Environ Res Public Health. 2015;12:4816-32

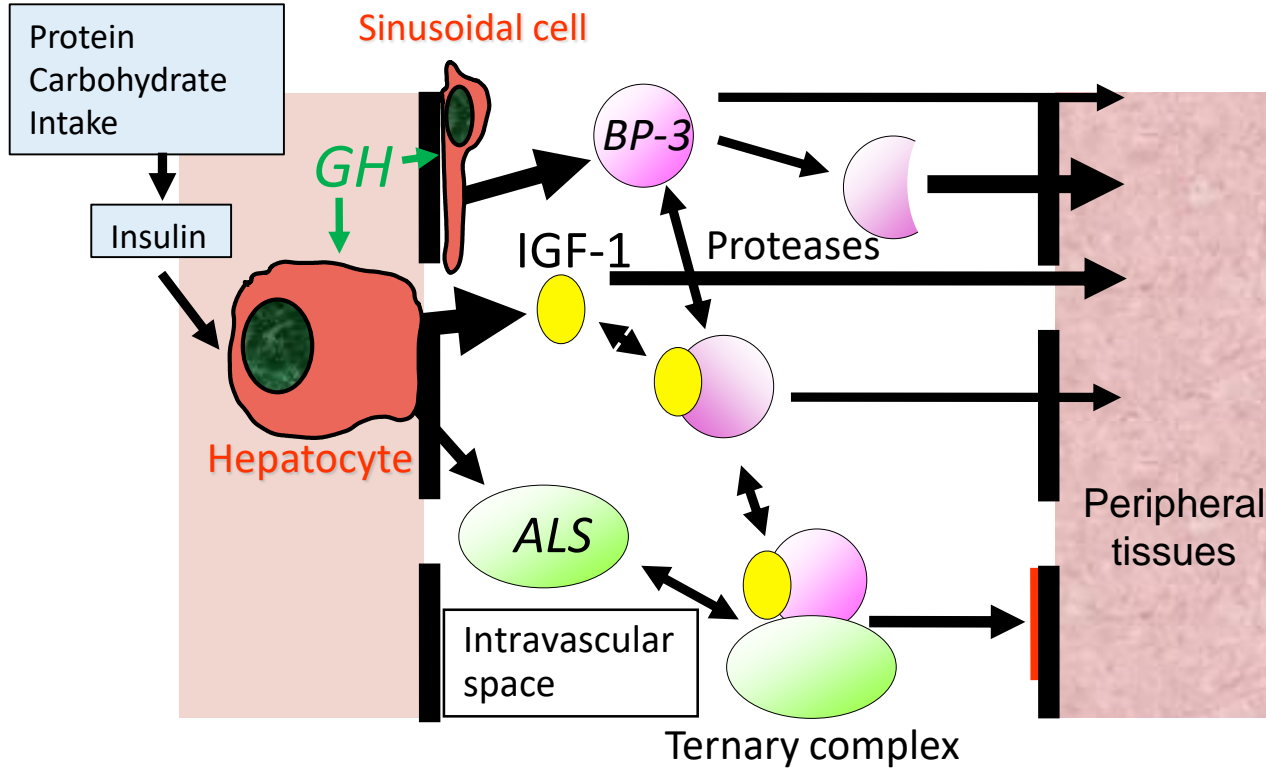
DIAGRAM OF THE GH-IGF-1 AXIS



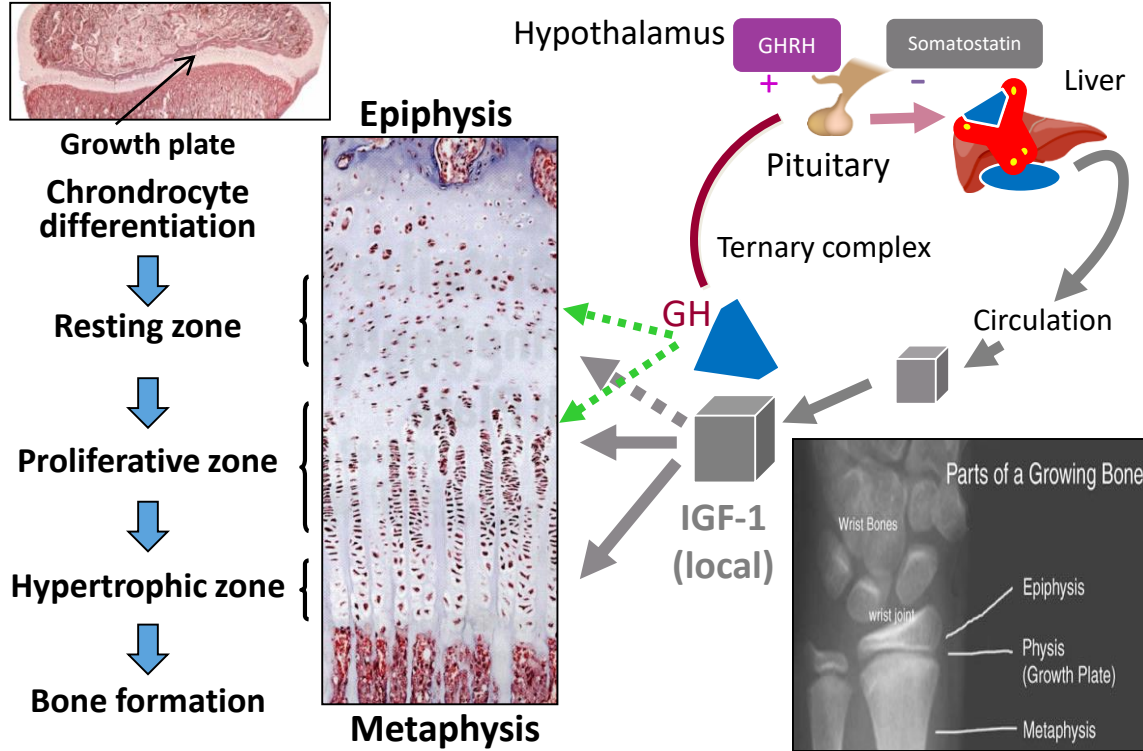
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Adapted from Bang P, et al. *Horm Res.* 2001;55 Suppl 2:84-93

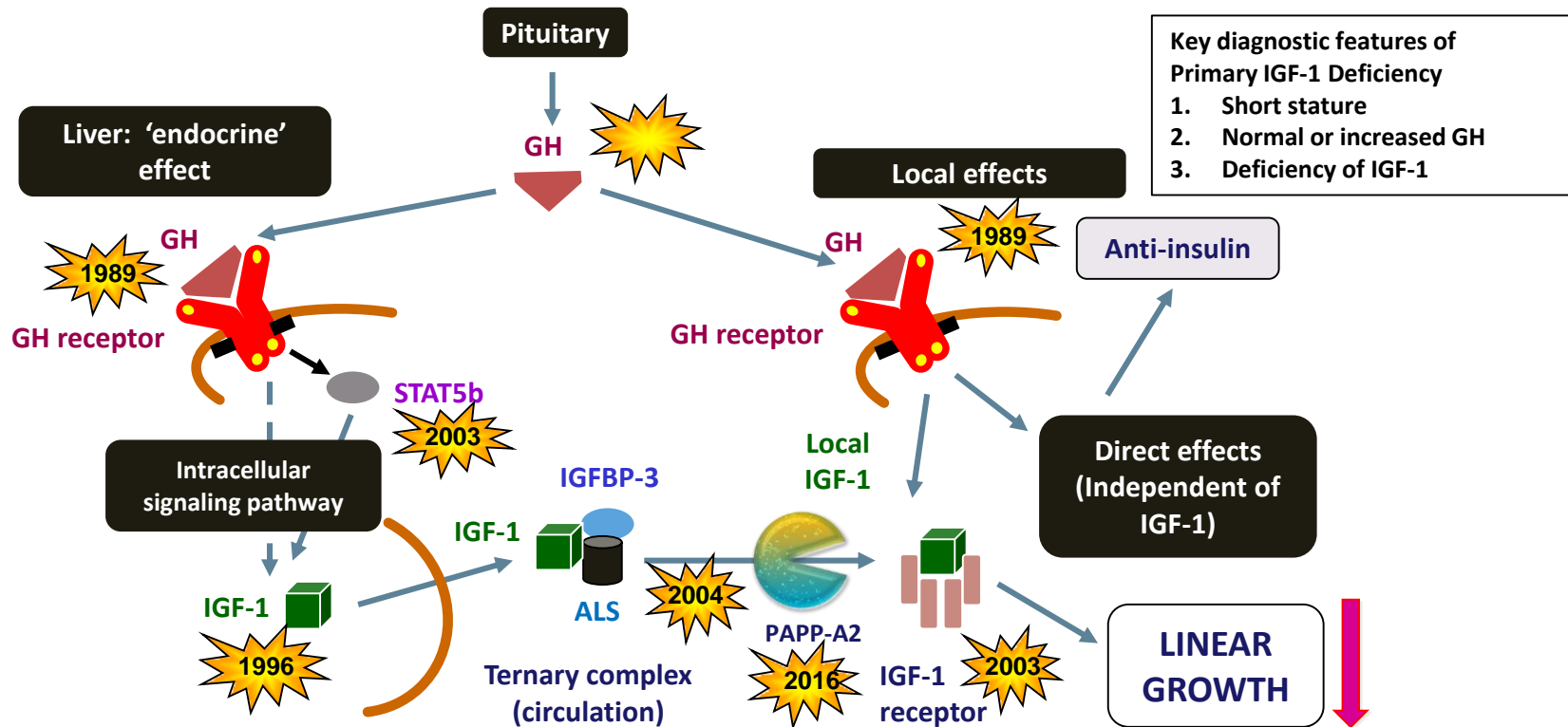
GH-STIMULATED GENERATION OF IGF-1 AND IGFBP-3



ACTIONS OF GH AND IGF-1 ON CHONDROCYTE DEVELOPMENT



GENETIC MUTATIONS INVOLVING KEY PROTEINS FOR NORMAL GH ACTION



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Adapted from Rosenfeld RG, et al. Horm Res. 2009; 71 Suppl 2:36-40

PRIMARY AND SECONDARY GH RESISTANCE (IGF-1 DEFICIENCY)

Primary IGF-1 Deficiency

1. GH receptor (*GHR*) mutations
Extracellular, transmembrane, intracellular mutations
2. GH signal transduction defects (*STAT5b*)
3. Mutations of *SHP-2* (encoded by *PTPN-11*), *K-RAS*, *H-RAS*
4. *IGF-1* gene mutations or deletions
 - a. Defects causing IGF-1 deficiency
 - b. Bio-inactive IGF-1
5. Acid-labile subunit mutations (*IGFALS*)
6. *PAPP-A2* mutations
7. GH neutralising antibodies in patients with *GH* gene deletion

Abnormal GHR or GH
signal transduction

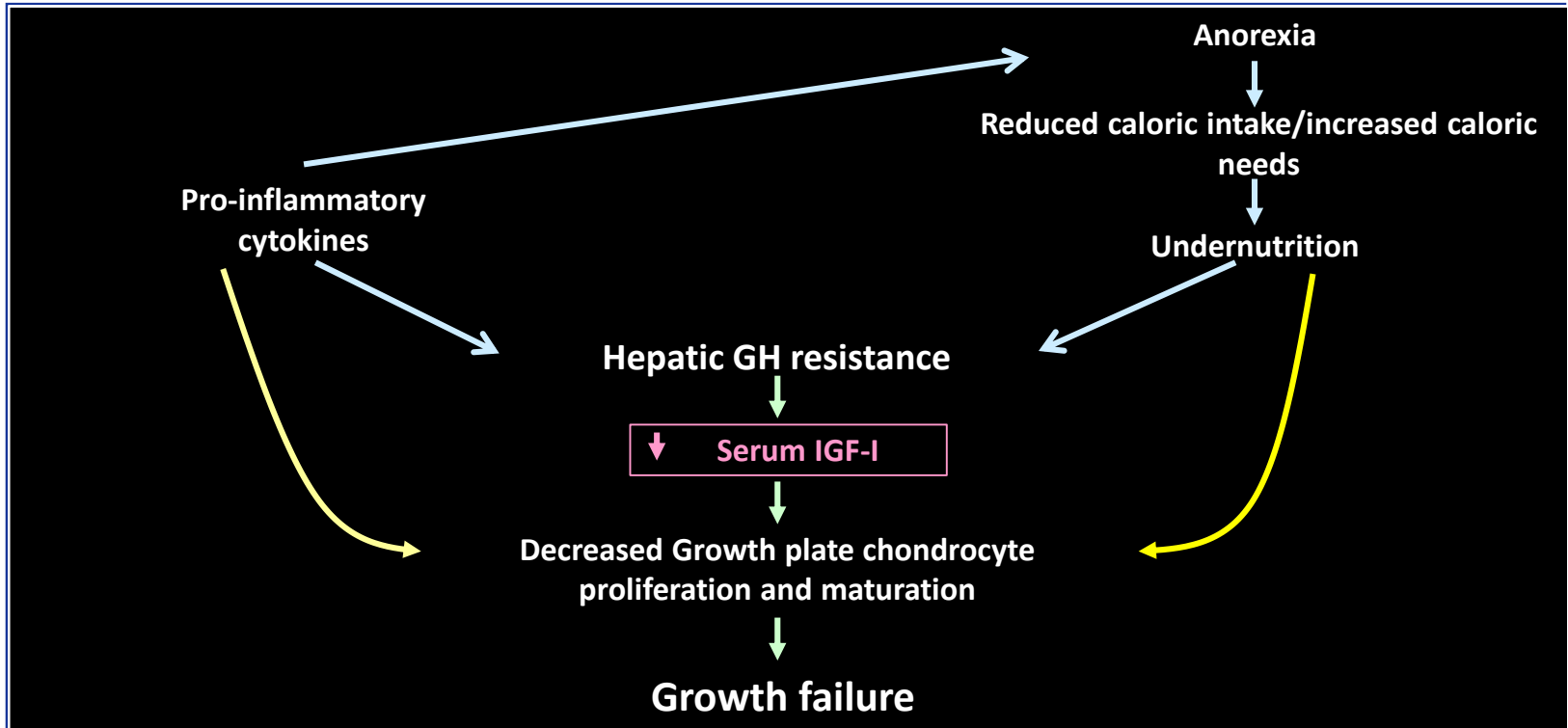
Abnormal IGF1 gene

Abnormal IGF-1
transport in the
circulation

Secondary IGF-1 Deficiency

1. GH deficiency, Acute illness, critical states
2. Chronic illness, inflammation, nutritional deficiency etc

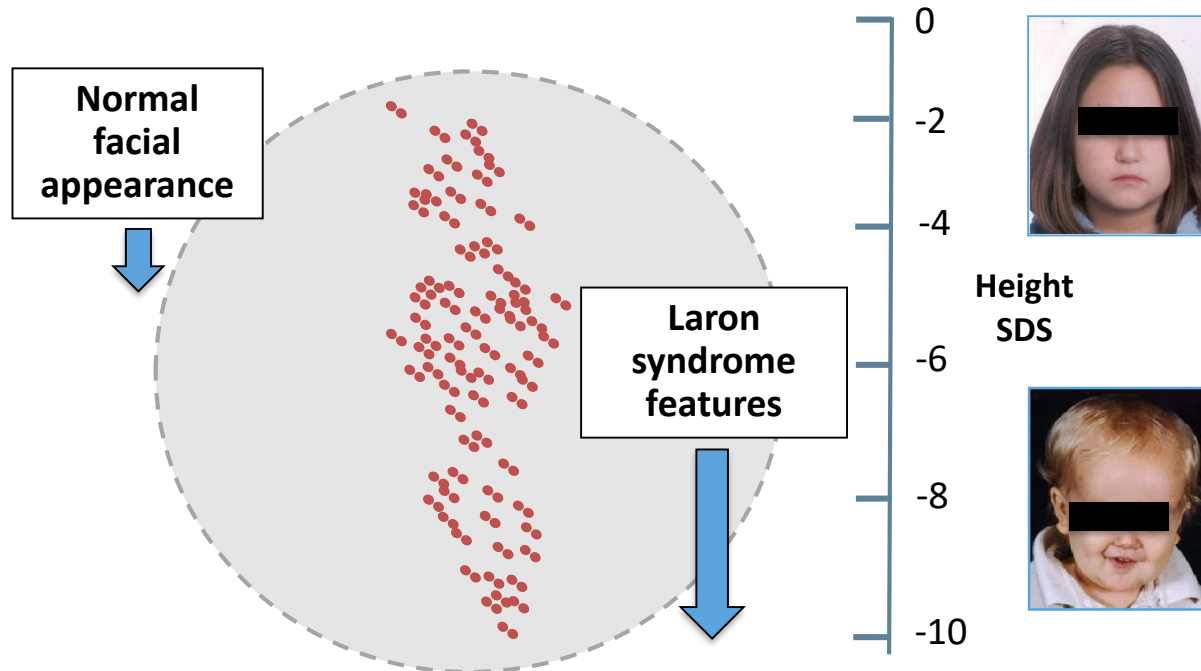
SECONDARY IGF-1 DEFICIENCY; EFFECTS OF NUTRITIONAL DEFICIENCY AND INFLAMMATION



PRIMARY IGF-1 DEFICIENCY

PRIMARY IGF-1 DEFICIENCY: A SPECTRUM OF PHENOTYPES FROM SEVERE TO MILD SHORT STATURE

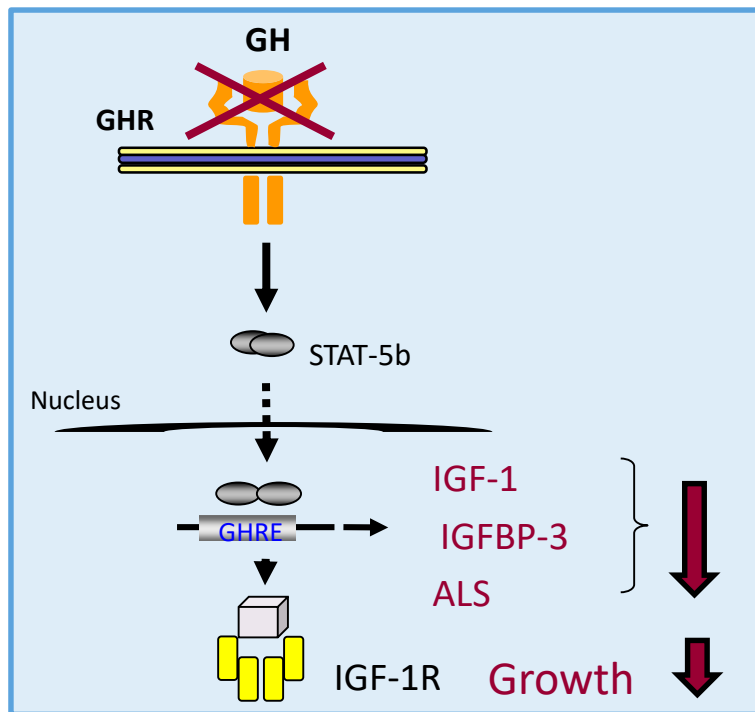
Heights of children with short stature and Primary IGF-1 Deficiency (n=70)



IGF-1, insulin-like growth factor-1; SDS, standard deviation score

1. David A, et al. Endocr Rev. 2011;32:472-97. 2. Storr HL et al. Endocr Rev. 2019;40:476-505

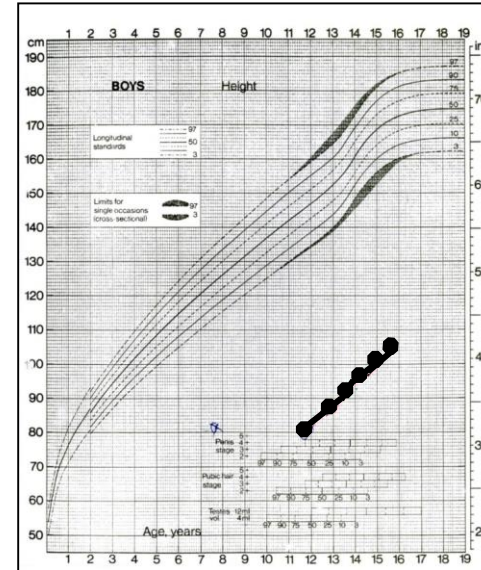
GH RECEPTOR DEFECT LEADS TO IGF-1, IGFBP-3 AND ALS DEFICIENCY AND IMPAIRED GROWTH



Severely disturbed physiology of the GH-IGF-1 axis

ALS, acid-labile subunit; GH, growth hormone; GHR, growth-hormone receptor; GHRE, external part of the growth-hormone receptor; IGF-1, insulin-like growth factor-1; IGF-1R, insulin-like growth factor receptor 1; IGFBP-3, insulin-like growth factor-binding protein 3; STAT5b, signal transducer and activator of transcription 5B

EVOLUTION OF THE SPECTRUM OF GH RESISTANCE

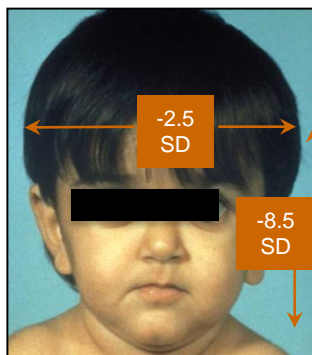


- Description of **GH insensitivity syndrome** (1966)¹
- GH receptor **mutation identified** (1989)²
- Identification of **severe and mild phenotypes** (2011; 2019)^{3,4}

GH, growth hormone; SD, standard deviation

1. Laron Z, et al. *Isr J Med Sci.* 1966;2:770-3. 2. Godowski PJ, et al. *Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A.* 1989;86:8083-7. 3. David A, et al. *Endocr Rev.* 2011;32:472-97. 4. Storr HL et al. *Endocr Rev.* 2019;40:476-505

CLASSICAL GH INSENSITIVITY SYNDROME



Homozygous *GHR* mutations with features of Laron syndrome, heights <-6 SDS

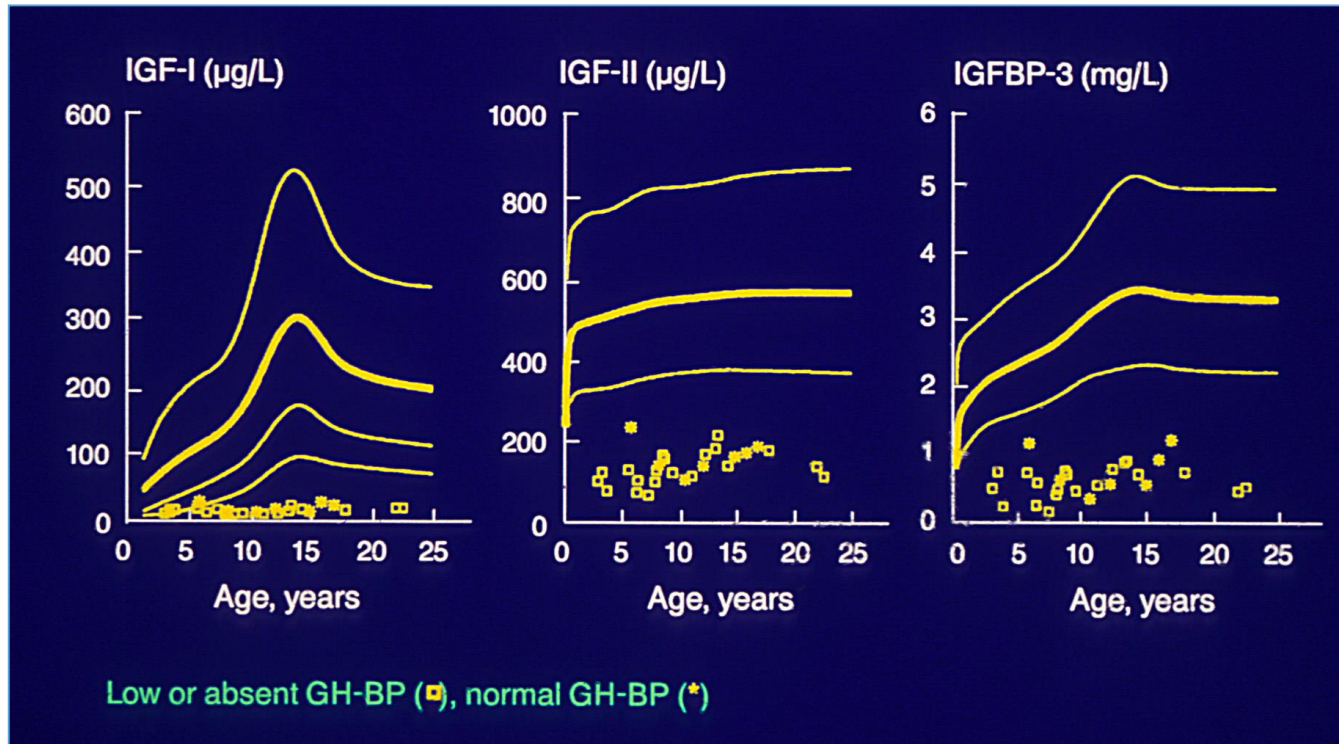
Severe Primary IGF-1 Deficiency



Mid-facial hypoplasia secondary to the effect of IGF-1 deficiency on the growth of the sphenoid bone



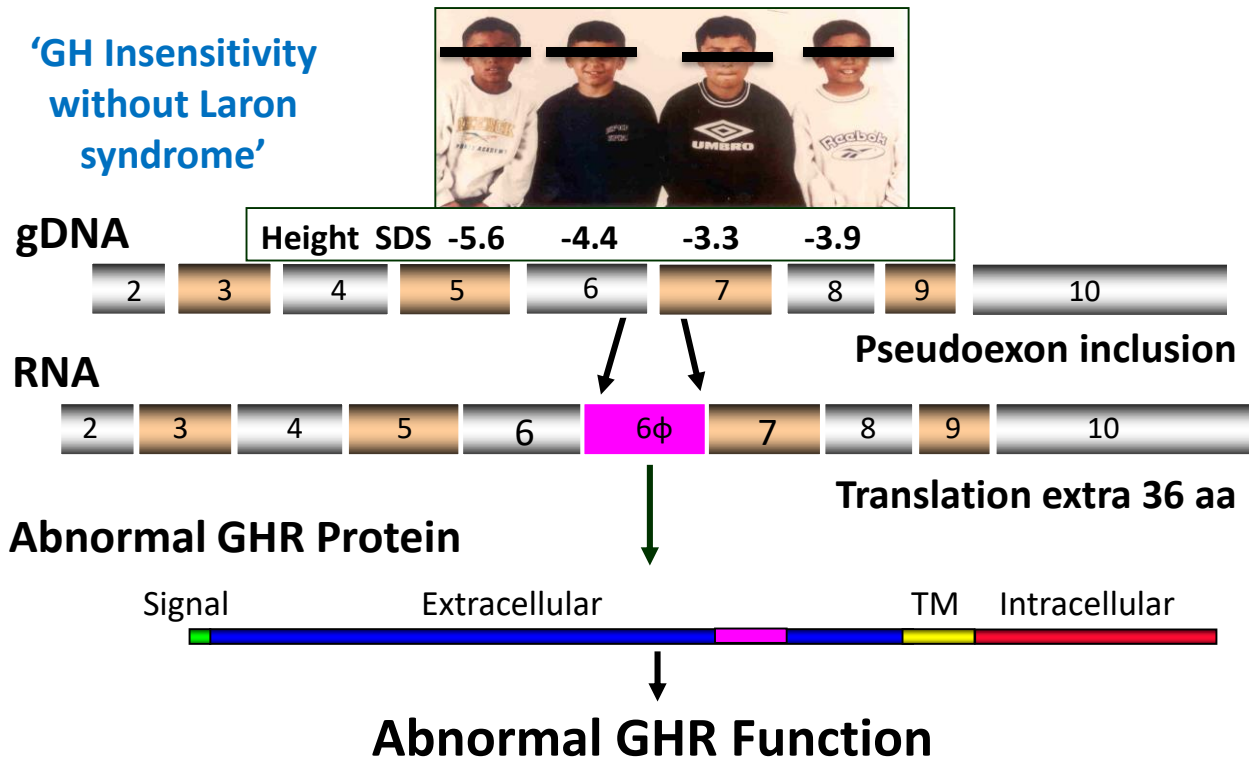
DEFICIENCIES OF IGF-1, IGF-2 AND IGFBP-3 IN CHILDREN WITH CLASSICAL GH RESISTANCE



GH, growth hormone; GH-BP, growth hormone-binding protein; IGF-1, insulin-like growth factor-1; IGF-2, insulin-like growth factor-2; IGFBP-3, insulin-like growth factor-binding protein

Savage MO, et al. JCEM 1993;77:1465-71

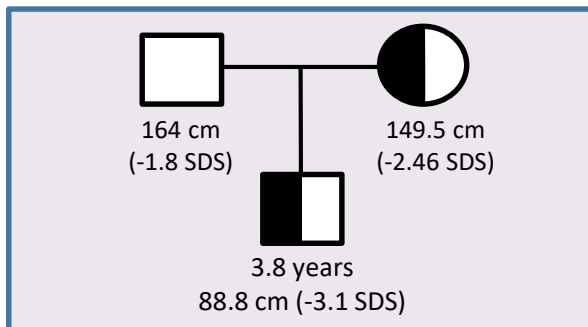
SHORT STATURE RELATED TO GH RECEPTOR PSEUDOEXON MUTATION



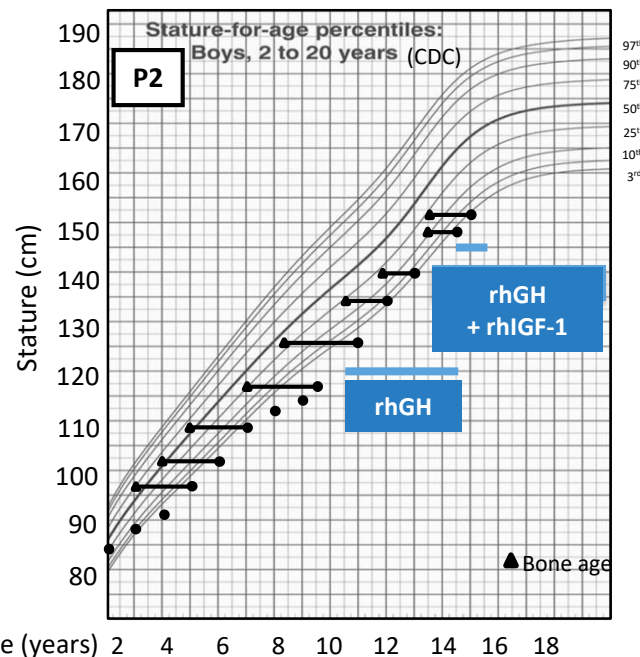
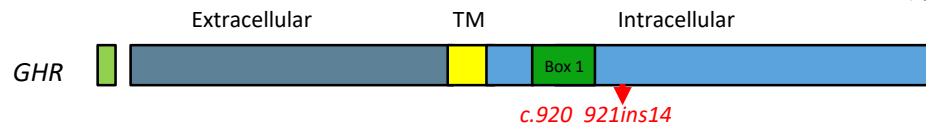
aa, amino acid; gDNA, genomic deoxyribonucleic acid; GH, growth hormone; GHR, growth-hormone receptor; RNA, ribonucleic acid; SDS, standard deviation score; TM, transmembrane domain

1. Metherell LA, et al. Am J Hum Genet. 2001;69:641-6. 2. Bjarnasson R, et al. Clin Endocrinol (Oxf). 2002;57:357-61

DOMINANT-NEGATIVE GHR MUTATION

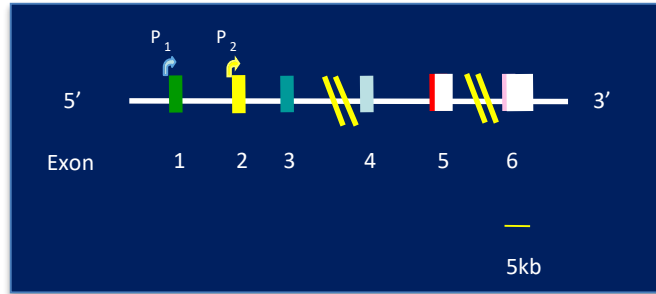


Sex	Male
Age, years	3.8
Height SDS	-3.1
GH max, ng/ml	8.8
IGF-1, ng/ml	69 (55–297)
IGFBP-3, mg/L	NA
ALS, mg/L	NA

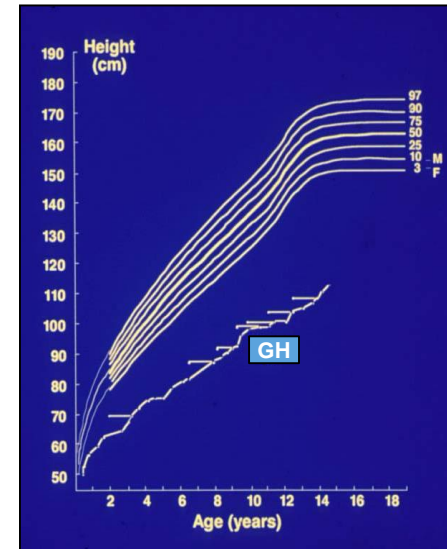
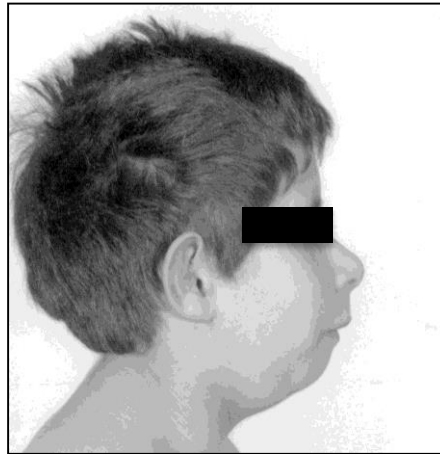


ALS, acid-labile subunit; CDC, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; GH, growth hormone; GHR, growth-hormone receptor; IGF-1, insulin-like growth factor-1; IGFBP-3, insulin-like growth factor-binding protein 3; NA, not available; rh, recombinant human; SDS, standard deviation score; TM, transmembrane domain



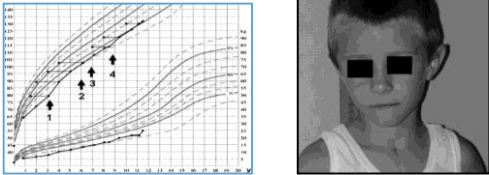
IGF-1 GENE DELETION



Deletion of exons 4 and 5
leading to a functionless
IGF-1 protein



IGF-1 GENE DEFECTS – CLINICAL FEATURES

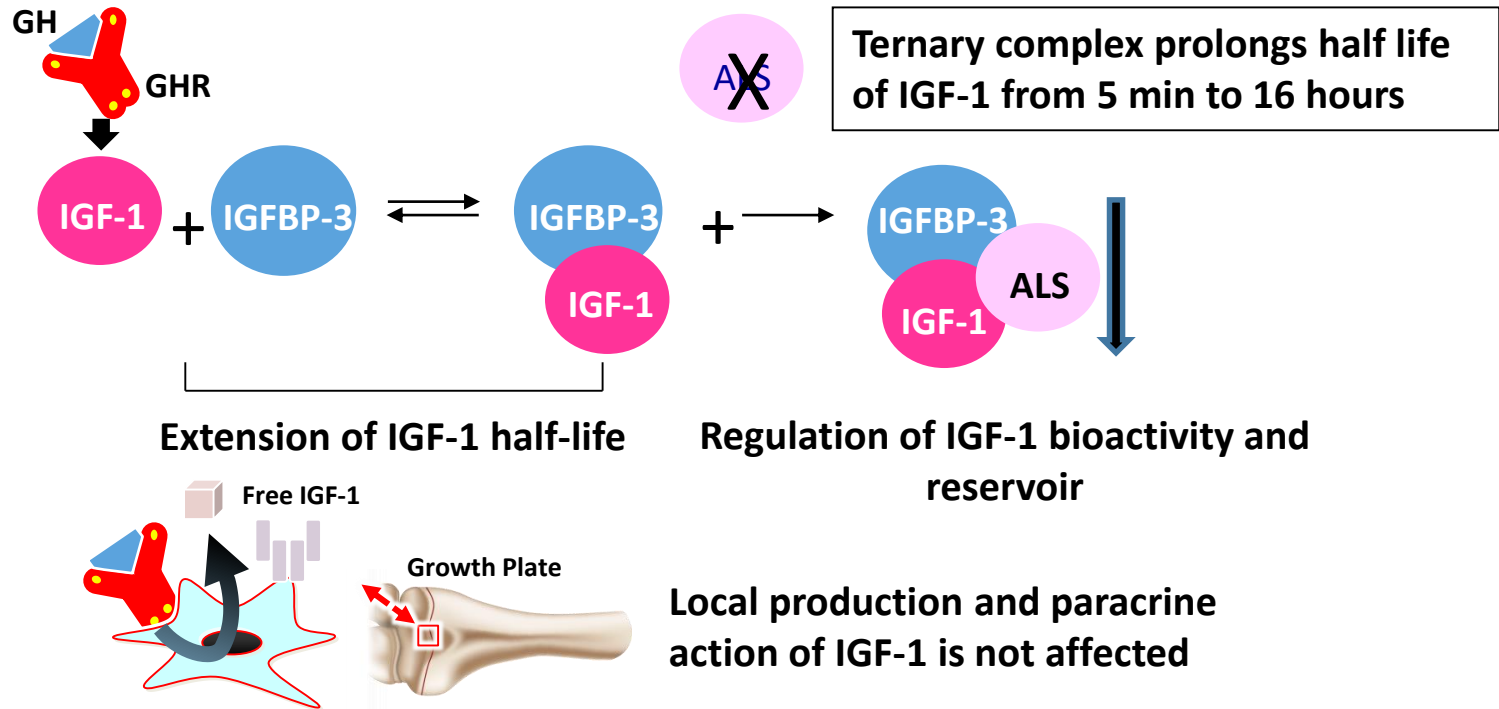
<u>Intrauterine growth retardation</u>		<u>birth weight</u>	<u>birth length</u>
IGF-1 deletion ¹		-3.9 SDS	-5.4 SDS
IGF-1 mutation ²		-3.9 SDS	-4.3 SDS
IGF-1 mutation ³		-3.7 SDS	-2.4 SDS
IGF-1 mutation ⁴	Homozygous missense variant IUGR, deafness, growth failure IGF-1-1.15 to 2.95 SDS		

IGF-1, insulin-like growth factor-1; IUGR, intrauterine growth restriction; SDS, standard deviation score

1. Woods KA, et al. *New Eng J Med.* 1996;335:1363-7. 2. Walenkamp MJ, et al. *J Clin Endocrinol Metab.* 2005;90:2855-64.

3. Netchine I, et al. *J Clin Endocrinol Metab.* 2009;94:3913-21. 4. Keselman AC et al. *Eur J Endocrinol.* 2019;181:K43-K53

FUNCTION OF ALS AND EFFECT OF IGFALS MUTATION



ALS, acid-labile subunit; GH, growth hormone; GHR, growth-hormone receptor; IGF-1, insulin-like growth factor-1; IGFALS, insulin-like growth factor binding protein, acid labile subunit; IGFBP-3, insulin-like growth factor-binding protein 3

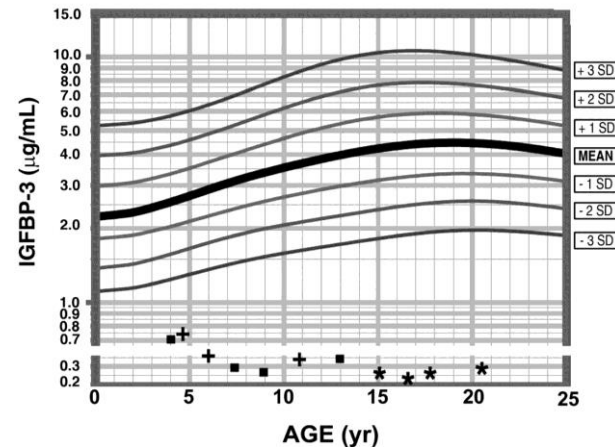
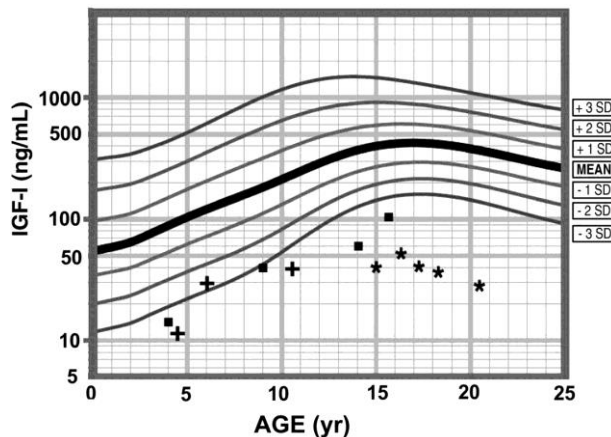
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SERUM IGF-1 AND IGFBP-3 CONCENTRATIONS IN THE THREE SUBJECTS WITH *IGFALS* MUTATIONS

Mismatch between serum IGF-1 and IGFBP-3 and height

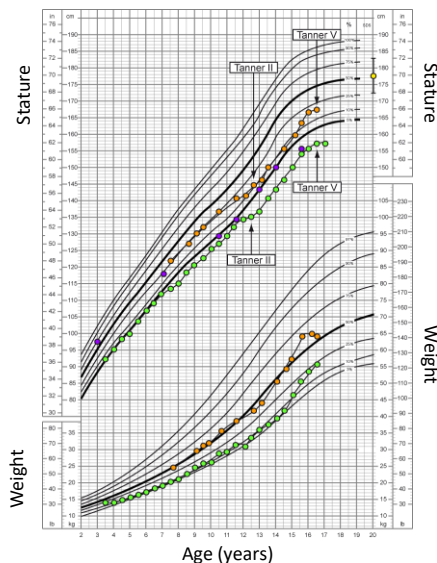
Heights

-3.9 to -2.4 SDS

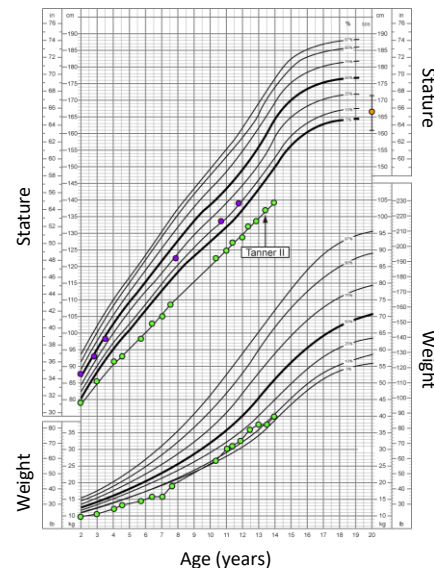
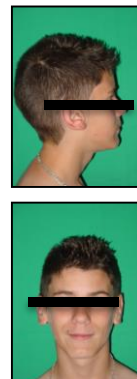


IGFALS MUTATION: MILD SHORT STATURE PHENOTYPE WITH SEVERE IGF-1 AND IGFBP-3 DEFICIENCY

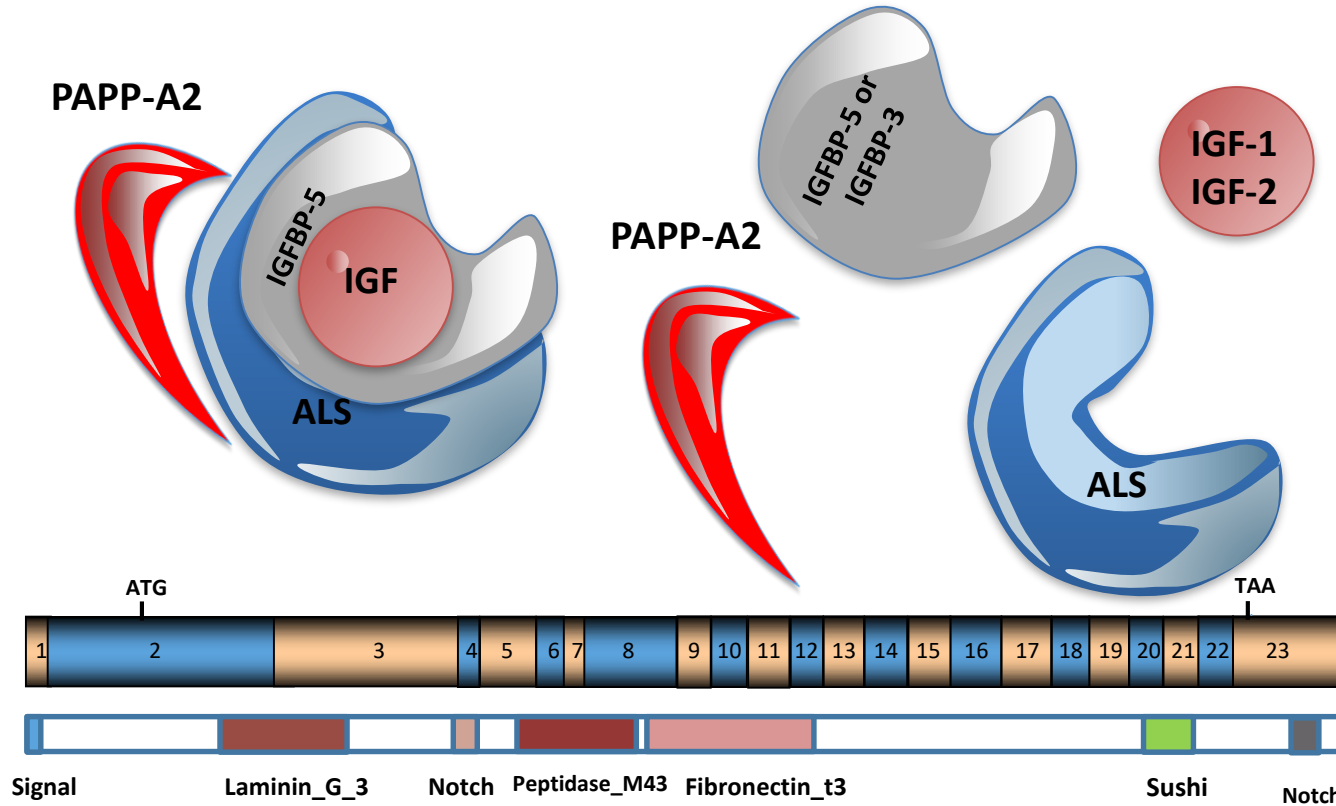
**Proband 1,
heterozygous
(pink circles) and
homozygous
(green circles)**



**Proband 2,
homozygous**



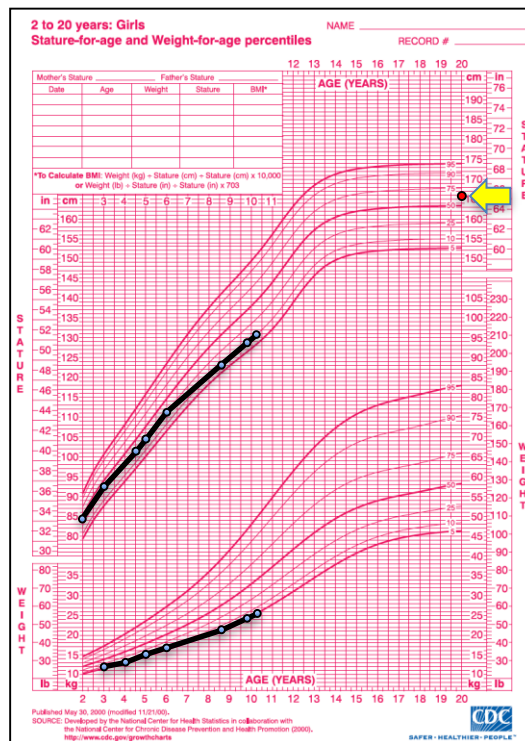
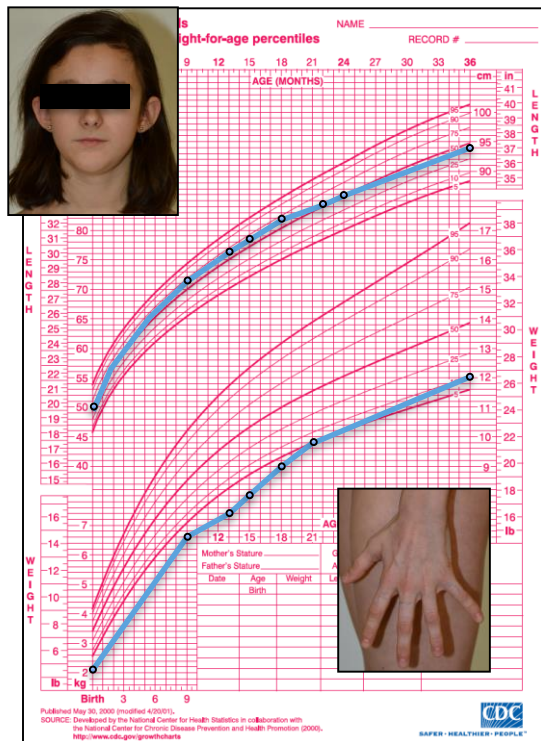
PAPP-A2 – A PROTEOLYTIC FACTOR



ALS, acid-labile subunit; IGF, insulin-like growth factor; IGFBP, insulin-like growth factor-binding protein; PAPP-A2, pregnancy-associated plasma protein-A 2

Dauber A, et al. EMBO Mol Med. 2016;8:363-74

HOMOZYGOUS PAPP-A2 DEFICIENCY

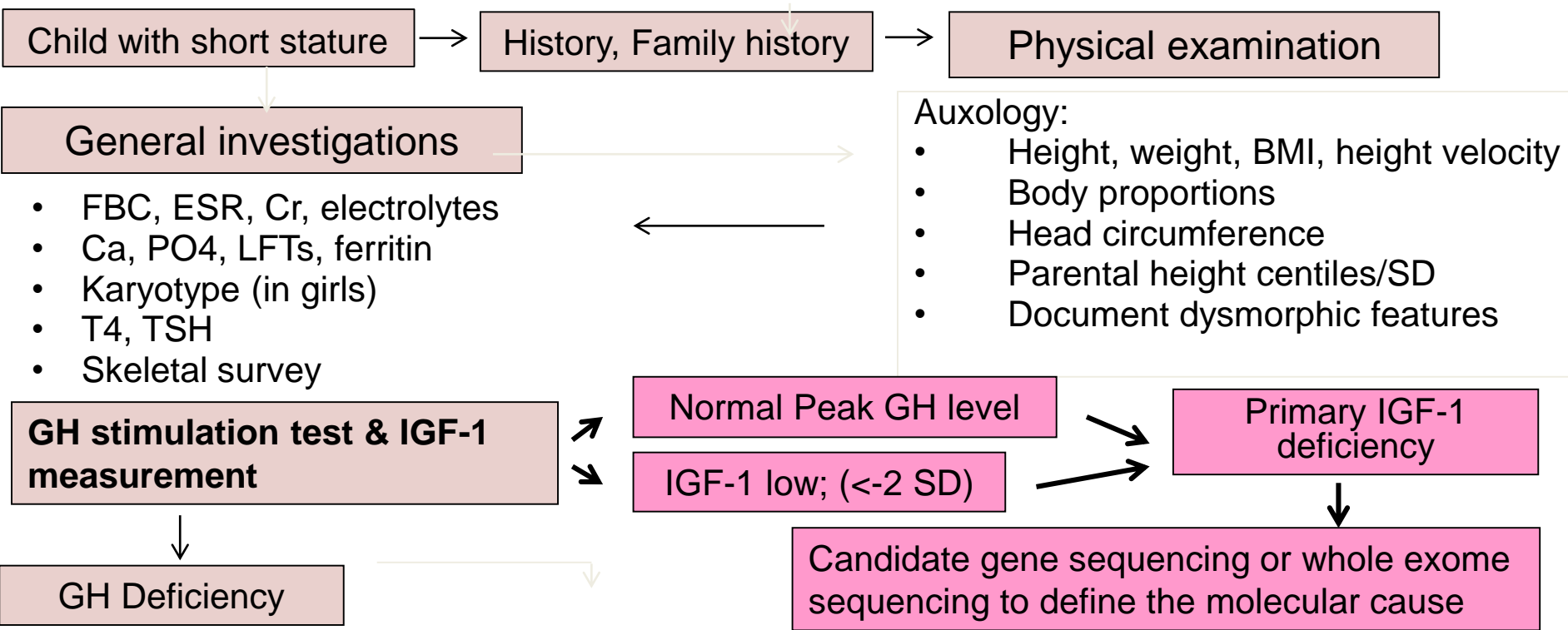


- **IGF-1:** 980-1200 ng/mL (> + 3 SD) ↑↑↑
- **IGFBP-3:** 5,912-6,834 ng/mL (≈ + 3 SD) ↑↑↑
- **ALS:** 3,745-3,945 mIU/mL (≈ + 3 SD) ↑↑↑

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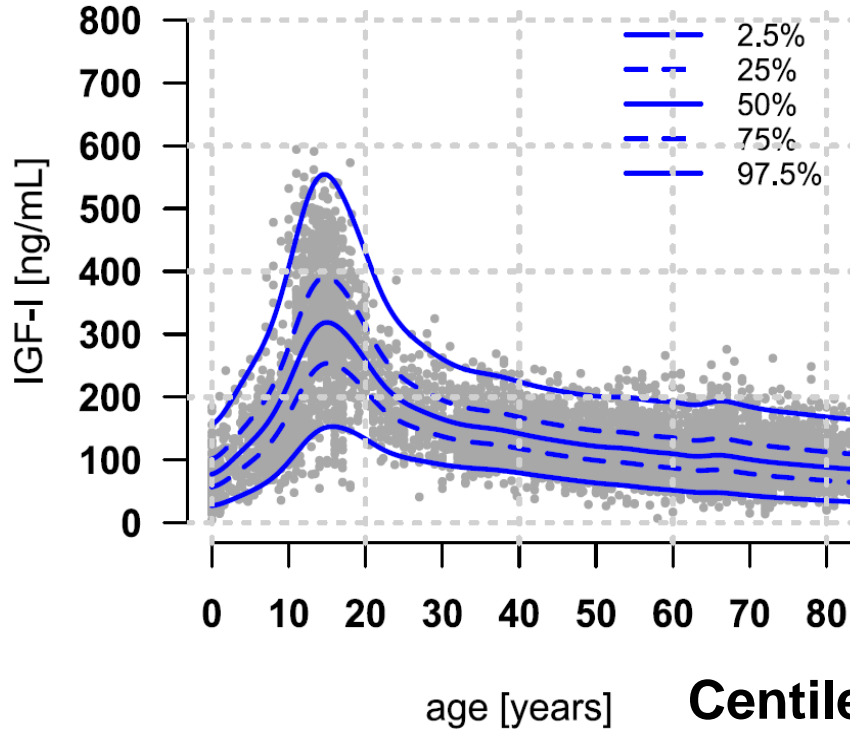
Photographs courtesy of Prof. J Argente, Madrid, Spain. Dauber A, et al. EMBO Mol Med. 2016;8:363-74.

DIAGNOSTIC ALGORITHM FOR PRIMARY IGF-1 DEFICIENCY

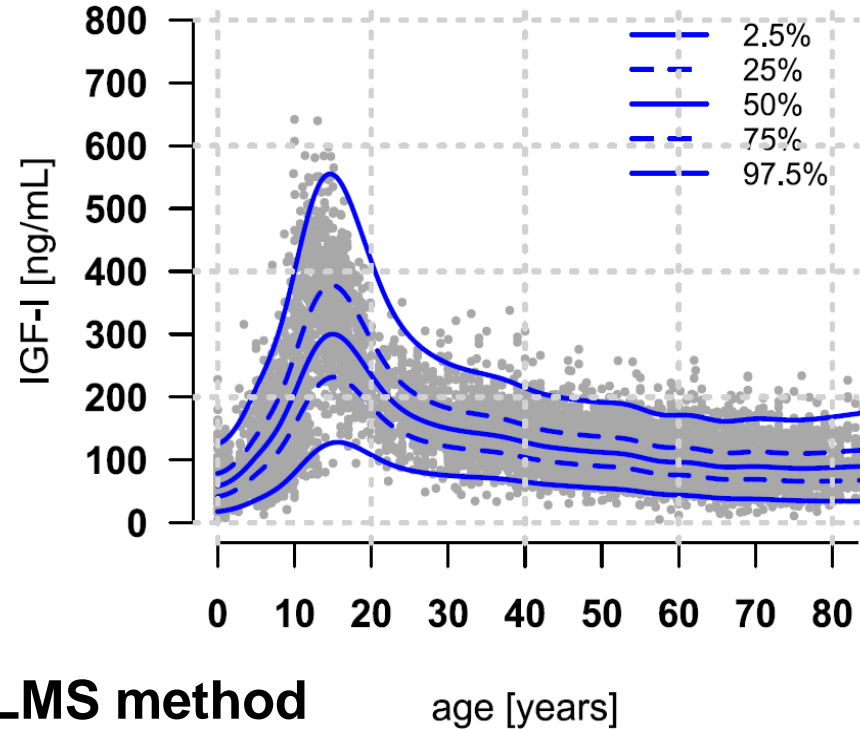


IGF-1 REFERENCE INTERVALS FOR THE IDS ISYS IGF-1 (*international multicentre study*)

Males (n=6697)



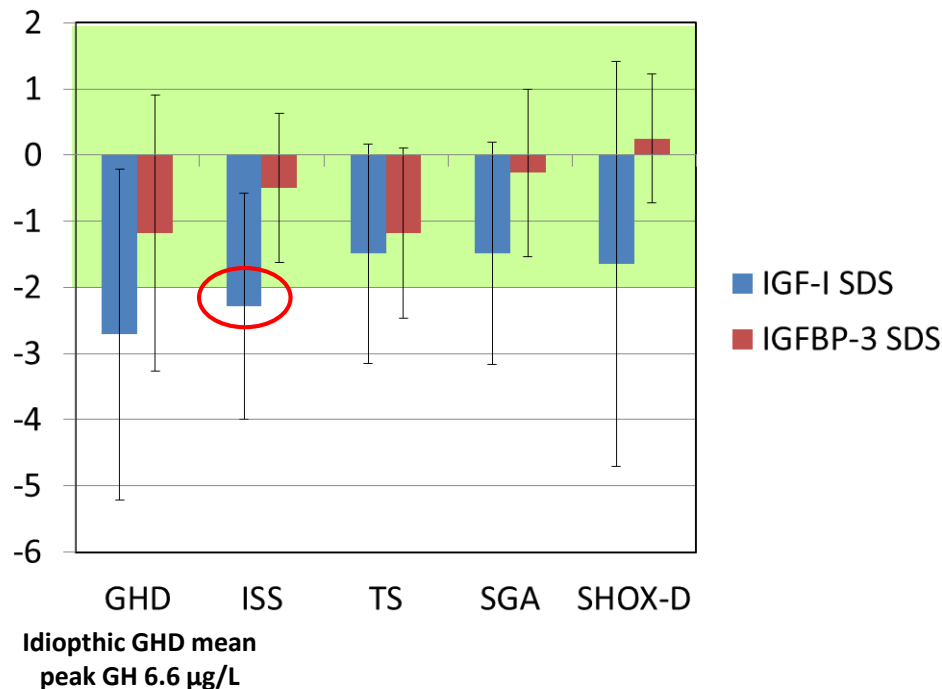
Females (n=8353)



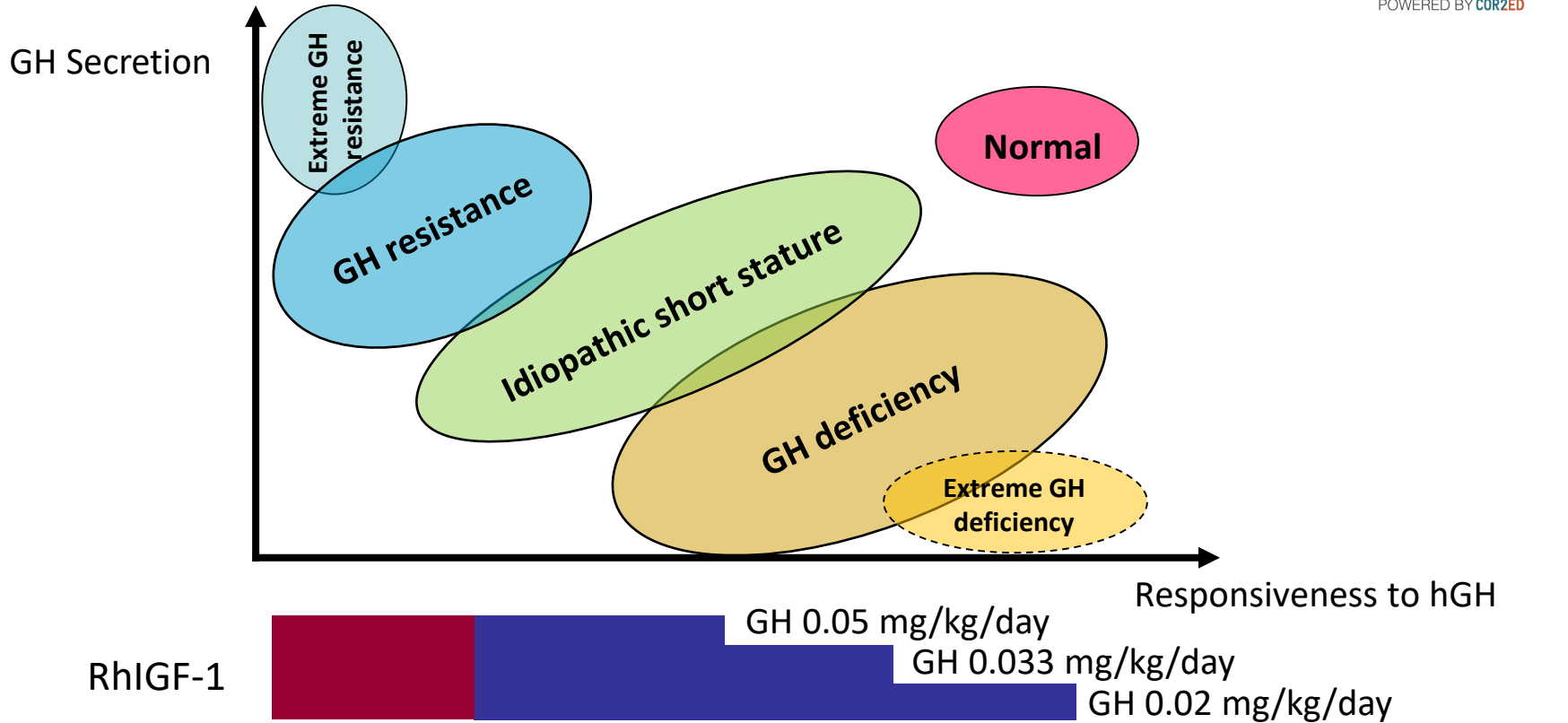
MEAN IGF-1 AND IGFBP-3 SDS VALUES IN VARIOUS GROUPS OF PATIENTS WITH SHORT STATURE

Point to note:

In mild GH deficiency, IGF-1 may be normal and IGFBP-3 is likely to be normal



CONTINUUM MODEL OF GH-IGF-1 DEFECTS: hGH AND RhIGF-1 THERAPY



APPROVAL OF rhIGF-1 FOR TREATMENT OF SEVERE PRIMARY IGF-1 DEFICIENCY

2002 Tercica Inc



rhIGF-1 (Increlex, mecasermin) received approval by the FDA in 2005 and by the EMEA in 2007
Tercica acquired by Ipsen Pharma in 2008



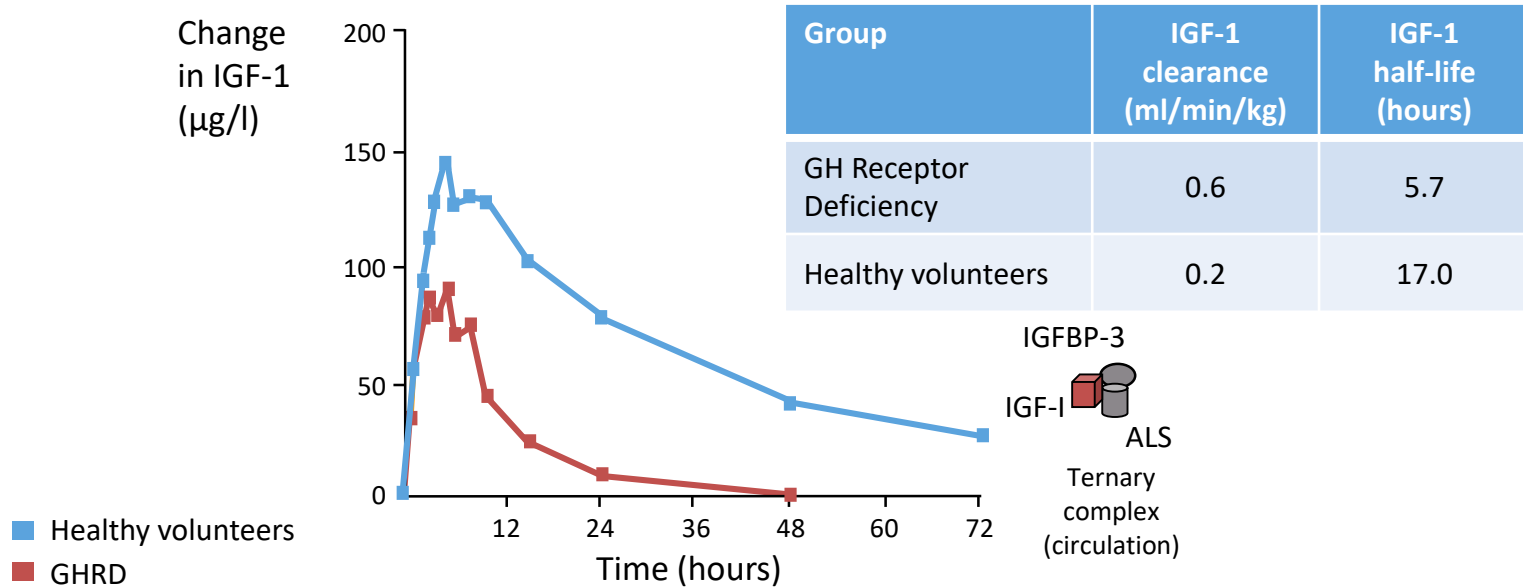
- Growth failure due to Severe Primary IGF-1 deficiency (SPIGFD)
- Height ≤ -3 SDS
- IGF-1 ≤ -3 SDS / $< 2.5^{\text{th}}$ centile
- GH normal

<https://www.ema.europa.eu/en/medicines/human/EPAR/increlex>;

<https://www.bsped.org.uk> GUIDELINES for SPIGFD

PHARMACOKINETICS OF rhIGF-1

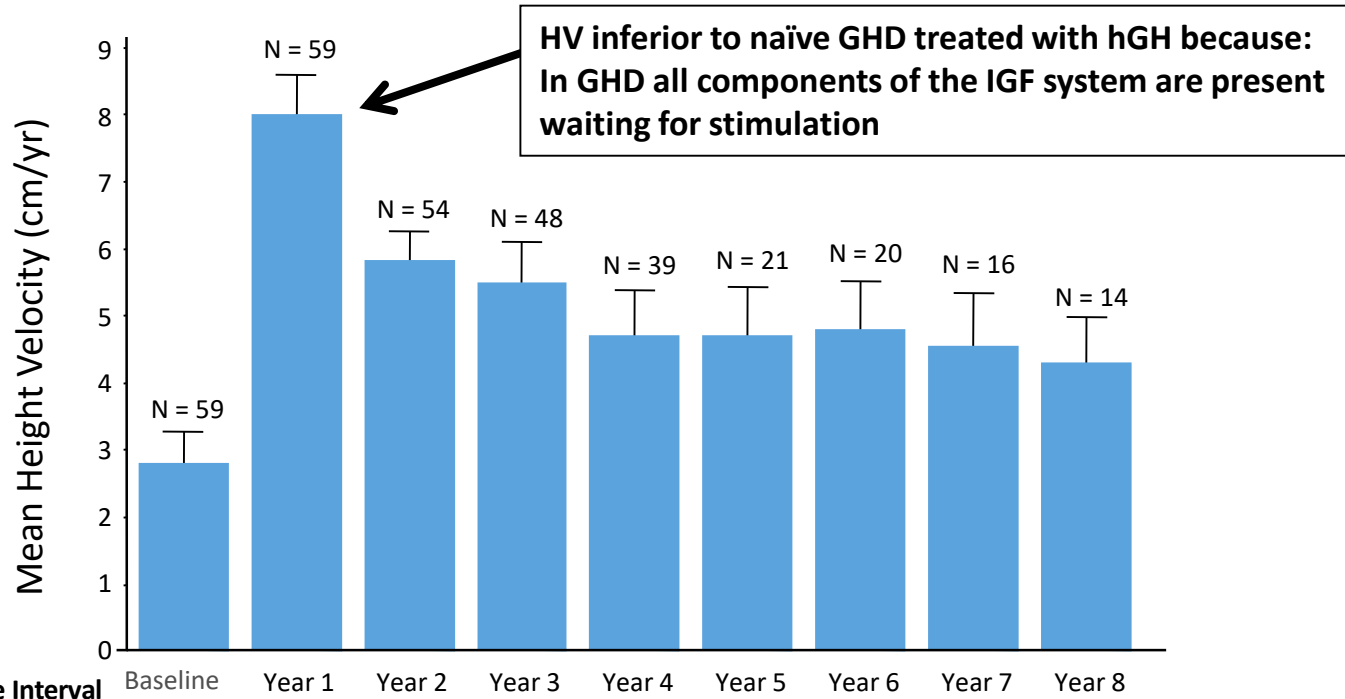
IGF-1 levels after a single sc injection of rhIGF-1 40 µg/kg in healthy volunteers and patients with Laron syndrome



ALS, acid-labile subunit; GHRD, growth hormone receptor deficiency; IGF-1, insulin-like growth factor-1; IGFBP-3, insulin-like growth factor-binding protein-3; rhIGF-1, recombinant insulin-like growth factor-1; sc, subcutaneous

Grahnén A, et al. Acta Paed Suppl. 82 Suppl 1993;391:9-13

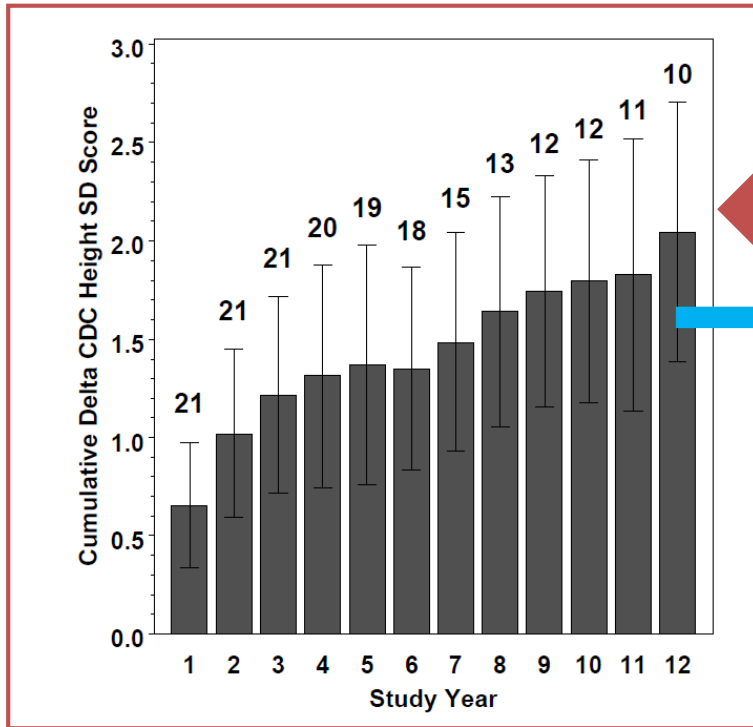
rhIGF-1 60-120 Mg/Kg IN SEVERE GH RESISTANCE PATIENTS (N=76)



bid, twice daily; GH, growth hormone; GHD, growth-hormone deficiency; hGH, human growth hormone; HV, height velocity; IGF, insulin-like growth factor; rhIGF-1, recombinant insulin-like growth factor-1

Chernausek S. et al. J Clin Endocrinol Metab. 2007; 92: 902-910

LINEAR GROWTH RESPONSE – HEIGHT SDS – TO ADULT HEIGHT



ΔHeight SDS for the 9 patients also treated with GnRH analogue therapy was +2 SDS

Better than non-GnRH
analogue-treated patients
(+1.6 SDS)

± 95% Confidence Interval

CDC, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; GnRH, gonadotropin-releasing hormone; SDS, standard deviation score

Baceljauw PF, et al. *Horm Res Paediatr.* 2013;80:47-56

IGF-1 DEFICIENCY

CONCLUSIONS

- IGF-1 is a metabolic hormone that informs the cell about the suitability for anabolism
- The serum concentration depends on nutritional status and absence of cytokine suppression which will over-ride the influence of GH stimulation
- Primary IGF-1 deficiency appears to be rare, being caused by single gene defects in the pathway of GH action
- Long-term difficulties with supply of rhIGF-1 have resulted in minimal data on optimisation of replacement therapy for IGF-1 deficiency
- RhIGF-1 therapy has not been studied in cases of secondary IGF-1 deficiency

Thank you !