

Altogether
to Beat
Cushing's
Syndrome

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Viaggio alla
(ri)scoperta
della Sindrome
di Cushing

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LA SINDROME DI CUSHING IN CONDIZIONI PECULIARI

SESSIONE 1. IL CUSHING IN ETA' PEDIATRICA

La terapia con GH ricombinante

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Classificazione



☐ ACTH-indipendente

- ✓ Glucocorticoidi esogeni
- ✓ Adenoma o carcinoma surrenalico
- ✓ Iperplasia surrenalica
 - malattia nodulare pigmentata (PPNAD)
 - iperplasia macronodulare (AIMAH)
 - sindrome McCune–Albright

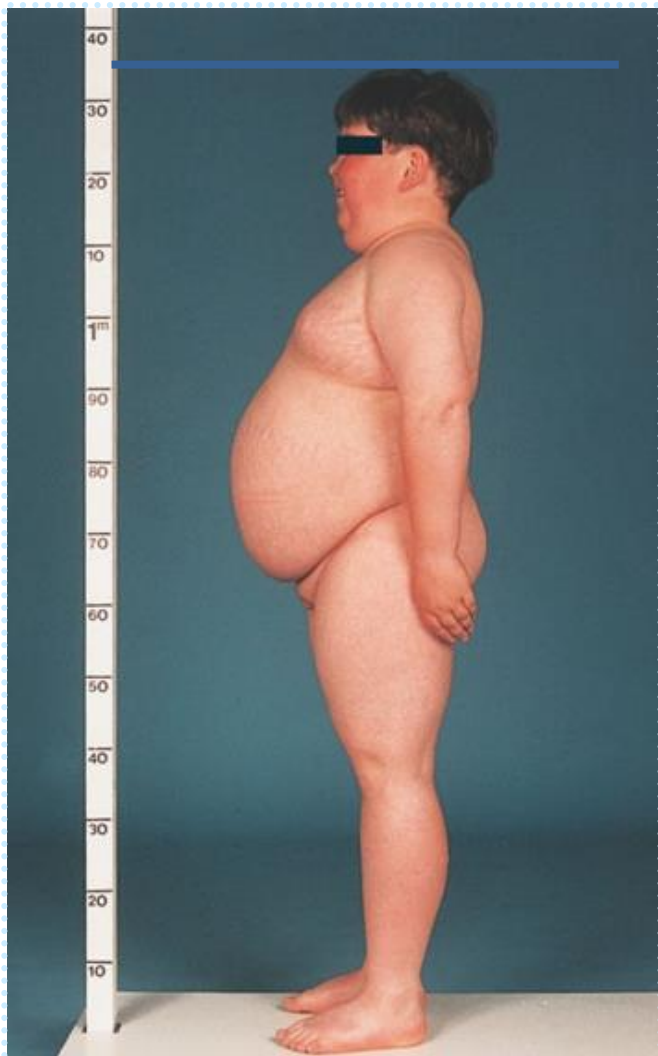
☐ ACTH-dipendente

- ✓ Malattia di Cushing
- ✓ Sindrome ACTH-ectopico

NIH - USA

St. Bartolomew - UK

all'arresto della crescita



Review

Growth and growth hormone secretion in paediatric Cushing's disease

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altezza media
velocità di crescita

prima e dopo la remissione dell'ipercortisolismo

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✓ obesità centripeta
100%

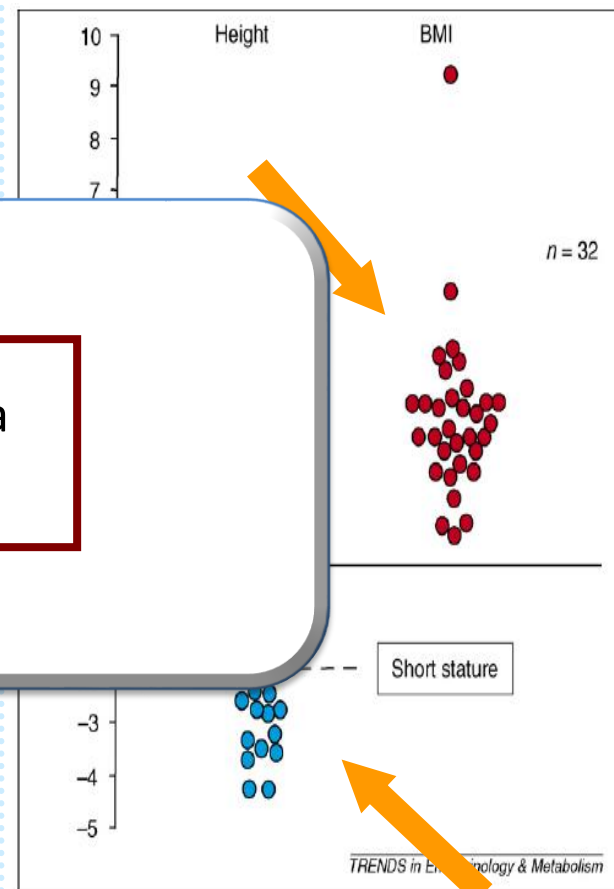
✓

durata media del quadro clinico prima
della diagnosi: 2.5 aa (0.5-6.6 aa)

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• età ossea



IPERCORTISOLISMO & CRESCITA LINEARE



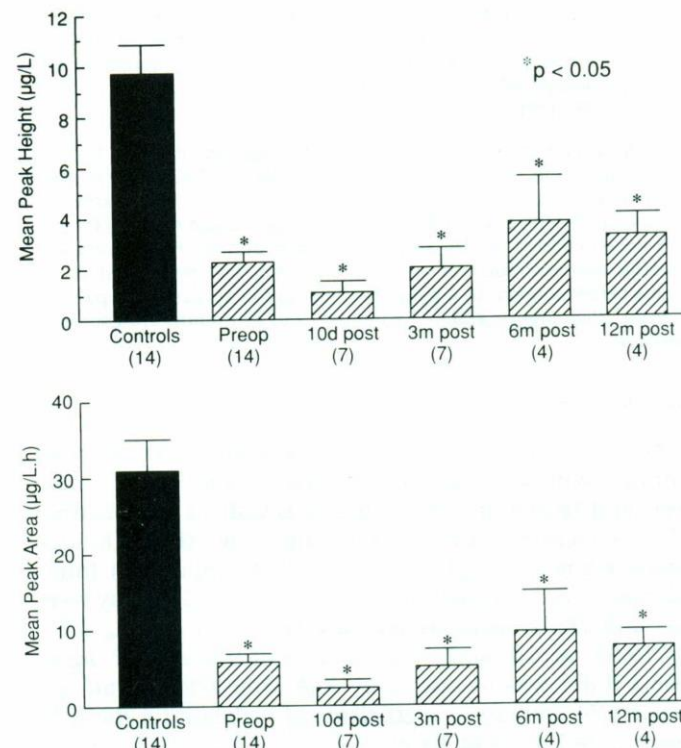
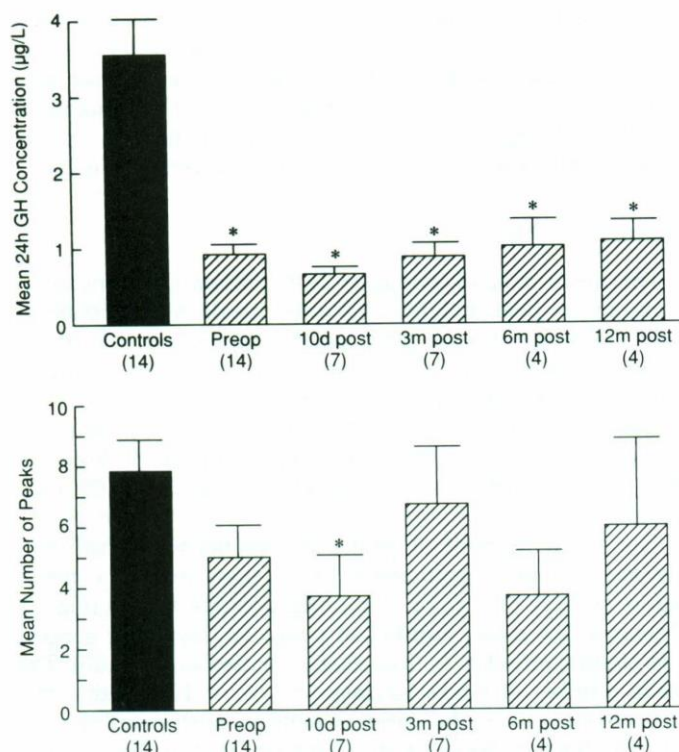
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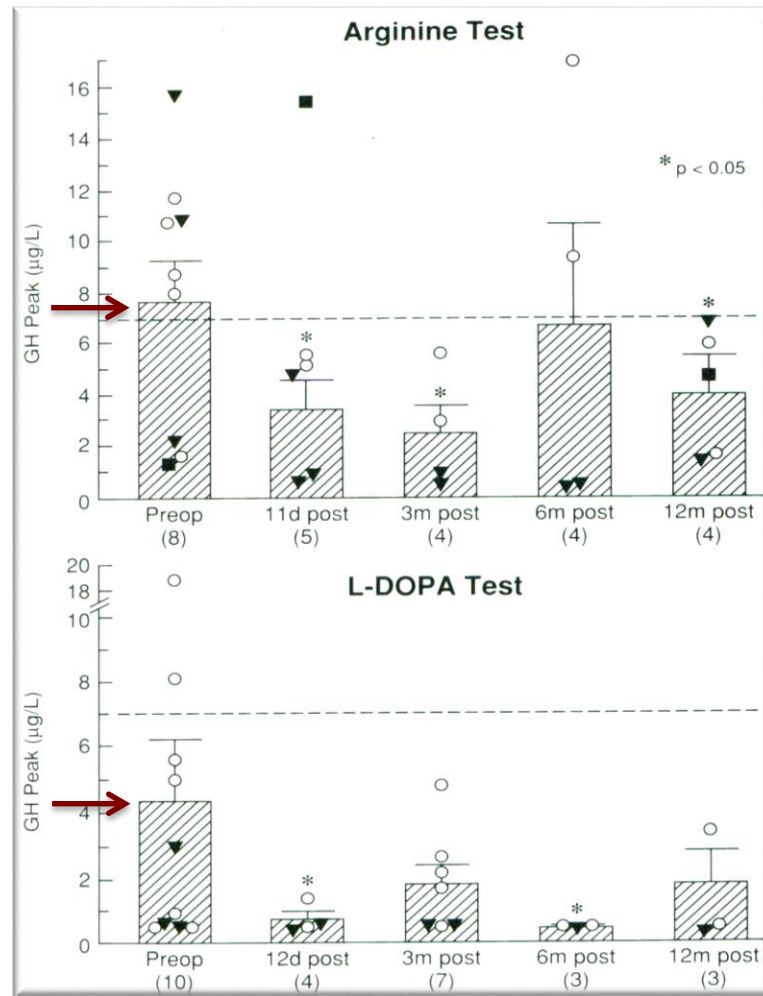
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effetto sul GH



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TABLE 3. Plasma concentrations of IGF-I, GHBP, and IGFBP-3 in patients with Cushing's syndrome before and after Cushing surgery

	IGF-I (ng/mL)	IGF-I (SD)	GHBP (pmol/L)	GHBP (SD)	IGFBP-3 (mg/L)	IGFBP-3 (SD)
Preop	353.4 ± 48.3	1.0 ± 0.5	1229.4 ± 93.9	0.3 ± 0.2	3.3 ± 0.3	0.7 ± 1.4
3 months post	252.4 ± 43.5	0.3 ± 0.4	1227.6 ± 111.4	0.3 ± 0.2	2.6 ± 0.2 ^a	−0.7 ± 0.4 ^a
6–12 months post	276.2 ± 37.0	0.5 ± 0.4	983.5 ± 120.8	−0.2 ± 0.2	2.4 ± 0.2 ^a	−0.9 ± 0.2 ^a

IGF-I
GHBP
IGFBP-3

Ridotta
attività
biologica
IGF-I

Resistenza
periferica
IGF-I

effetto sui fattori di crescita



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effetto sui fattori di crescita

REVIEW ARTICLE

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Suppression of growth plate chondrocyte proliferation by corticosteroids



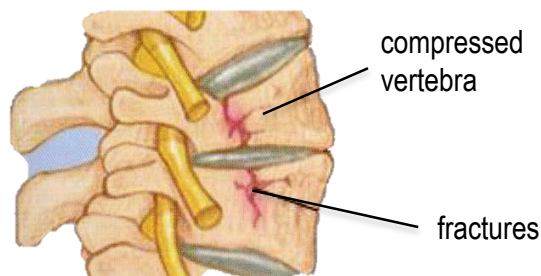
condrociti
epifisi

Alterazione microcircolo
cartilagine coniugazione

effetto sulla cartilagine di coniugazione

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CONDIZIONE PRE-OPERATORIA



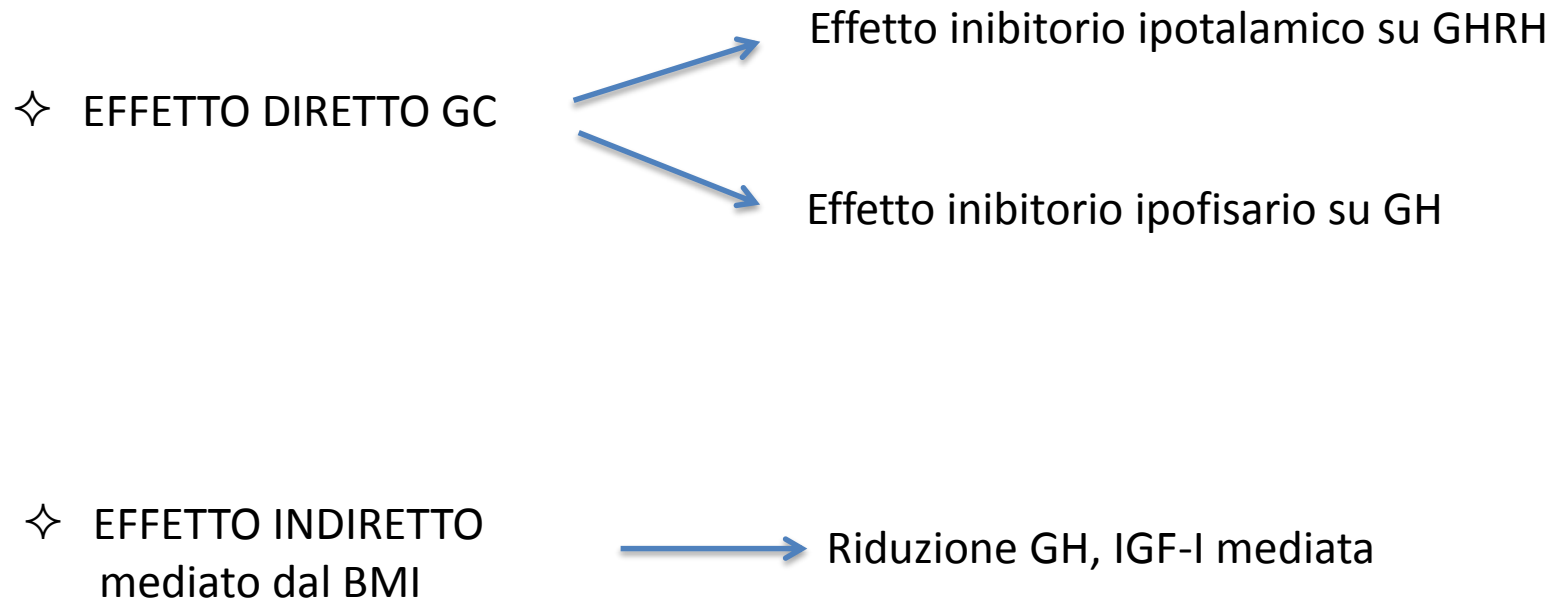
CONDIZIONE POST-OPERATORIA



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Ipotesi meccanismi d'azione pre-trattamento



Ipotesi meccanismi d'azione post-trattamento

- ✧ Danno chirurgico regione sellare
- ✧ Effetto persistente GC
- ✧ Alterazione processi metabolici: lipolisi, aumento massa magra
- ✧ Resistenza tessuti target a IGF-I
- ✧ Maggiore disponibilità di IGF-I *free* (riduzione relativa IGFBP-3)

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Età ossea vs età cronologica:

casistica	normale o aumentata	ridotta
Studio (10 pz)	67%	33%
NIH (59 pz)	89%	11%

AUMENTATA MATURAZIONE OSSEA: IPOTESI

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Eccesso androgeni

- ❖ concomitante all'ipercortisolismo nella sindrome di Cushing
- ❖ compromettente il potenziale di crescita



Picasso

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- ✧ Deficit GH maggiore in età pediatrica
- ✧ Deficit ipofisari multipli e radioterapia maggiore probabilità deficit GH
- ✧ Persistenza deficit per molti anni post-terapia (maggiore remissione dopo TSS)
- ✧ Comparsa deficit a tempi diversi, necessità di testare in tempi brevi l'asse GH / IGF-I



CUT- OFF

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Definizione deficit GH in età pediatrica controversa

- ✧ DEFICIT SEVERO GH → Picco di risposta GH a test di stimolo < 9 mU/L
- ✧ RISPOSTA NORMALE → Picco di risposta GH a test di stimolo > 30 mU/L
- ✧ RISPOSTA SUBNORMALE → Picco di risposta GH a test di stimolo > 9 mU/L
> 7 mU/L

Test di stimolo → ipoglicemia insulinica
→ glucagone

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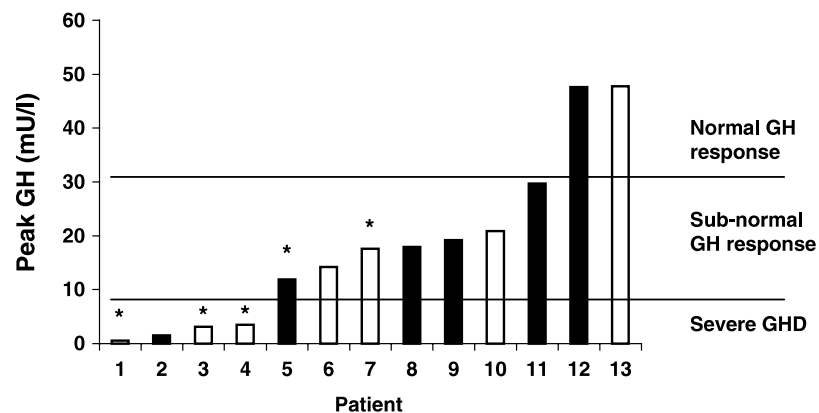
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Casistica: 10 maschi, 3 femmine

Terapia: TSS (54%) + radio- (46%)

Risultati: deficit severo 31%
risposta normale 15%
risposta subnormale 54%



* denotes patients that require glucocorticoid supplementation

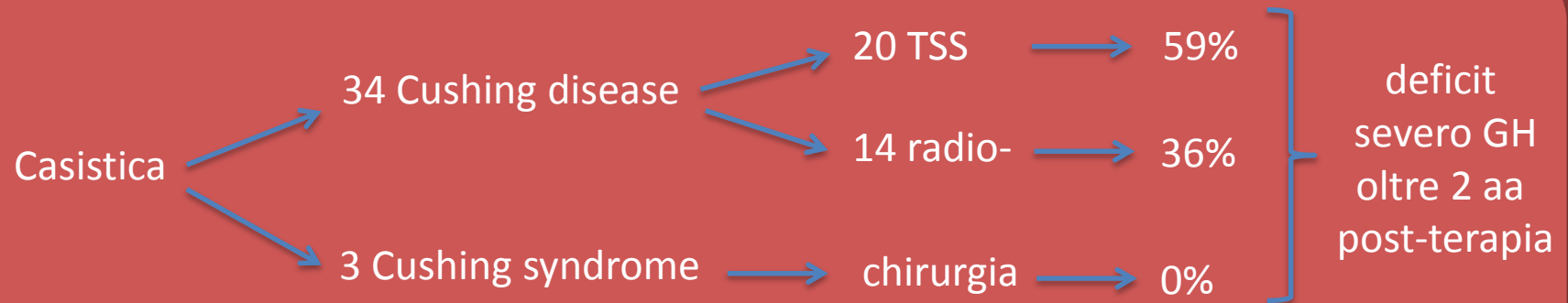
□ Treatment with transsphenoidal hypophysectomy alone

■ Irradiation in addition to transsphenoidal hypophysectomy

Growth hormone status following treatment for Cushing's syndrome

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Clinical Endocrinology (1999) **51**, 61–66



- ✧ Deficit severo di GH molto comune negli altri deficit ipofisari e probabilmente più persistente
- ✧ Test riserva GH almeno dopo 2 aa dalla remissione del Cushing



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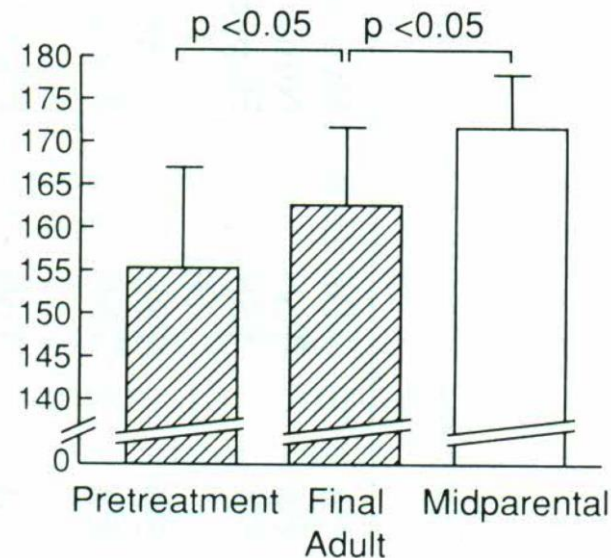
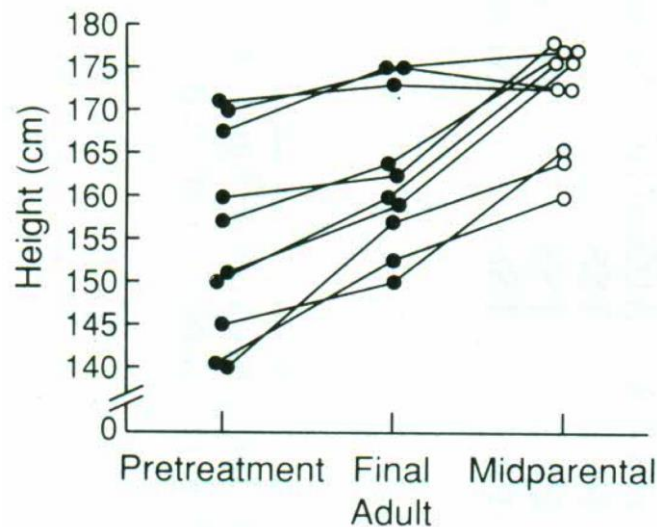
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ABSTRACT

Growth retardation to complete growth arrest is the hallmark of Cushing's syndrome in children and growing adolescents; however, the effect of endogenous hypercortisolism on the final adult stature of these patients is not known. We examined this in 10 children and adolescents with endogenous Cushing's syndrome who were evaluated and successfully treated at the NIH Clinical Center before having completed their growth. The bone age was consistent with the chronological age or accelerated in four of six (67%) and delayed in two of six patients (33%). The pretreatment height of patients with Cushing's syndrome in SD units was -1.7 ± 1.3 (mean $\pm$ SD), the final adult height -1.3 ± 0.9 , and the midparental height was 0 ± 0.8 . All patients had a

compromised final adult stature compared to their midparental height (162.8 ± 9.0 vs. 171.7 ± 6.3 cm; $P < 0.05$). The mean (midparental height - final adult height) $\pm$ SD was 8.9 ± 7.3 cm. The final adult height in both centimeters and SD units was significantly lower than the midparental height ($P < 0.05$), whereas it did not differ significantly from the predicted heights by the Bayley-Pinneau and Roche-Wainer-Thissen methods. We conclude that the growth retardation caused during the hypercortisolemic state of Cushing's syndrome is associated with a compromised final adult height, possibly as a result of inadequate postcure catch-up growth. (*J Clin Endocrinol Metab* 79: 1082-1085, 1994)



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TERAPIA rh GH

&

CRESCITA

Obiettivi

- ✓ regressione del ritardo di crescita
- ✓ recupero altezza lineare
- ✓ ottimizzazione pubertà in associazione ad analoghi GnRH o inibitori dell'aromatasi
- ✓ miglioramento della composizione corporea

Linear Growth and Final Height after Treatment for Cushing's Disease in Childhood

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(*J Clin Endocrinol Metab* 85: 3262–3265, 2000)

Casistica: 10 pz con storia > 2 aa

5 TSS

5 TSS + radio-

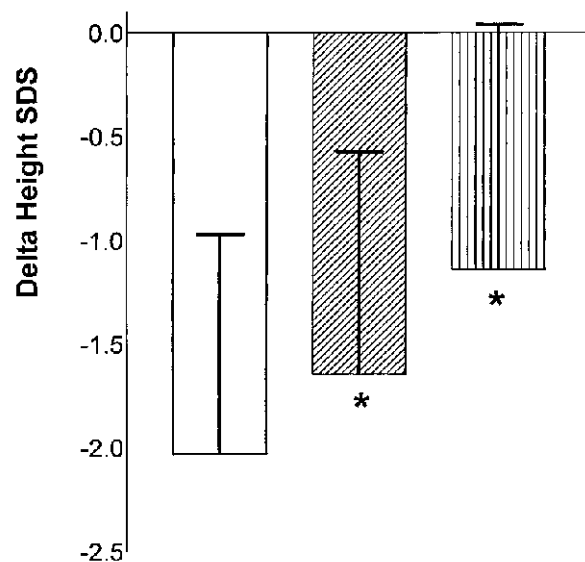


FIG. 1. Evaluation of growth [change (Δ) in height sd score] in eight patients during hGH treatment.

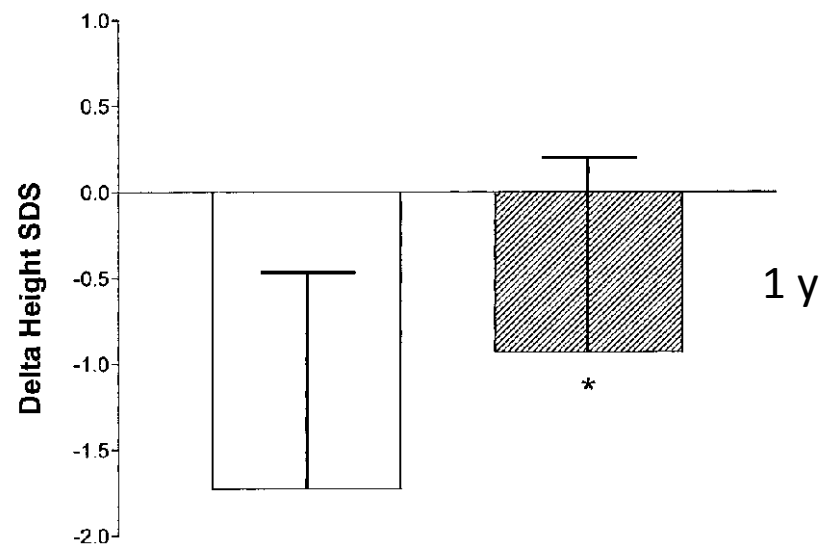


FIG. 2. Height at presentation and at final height or latest assessment compared to target height.

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studio	età pz	h iniziale	h finale	terapia Cushing	terapia post-trattamento
UK	12.92 ± 3.4	- 2.2 SD	- 1.6 SD	TSS / TSS + radio-	GH + analoghi GnRH
USA	15.5 ± 2.3	- 1.7 SD	- 1.3 SD	TSS	No

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- ❖ 80% pz trattati con rh GH (14 UI/m²/sett) per periodi compresi tra 1-4 anni: altezza finale soddisfacente

- ✧ Deficit GH comune e persistente post-terapia
- ✧ La radioterapia non necessariamente esita nel deficit di GH a breve termine
- ✧ Test secrezione GH
- ✧ Follow up nella risposta subnormale
- ✧ Continuazione terapia con GH oltre il raggiungimento dell'altezza finale

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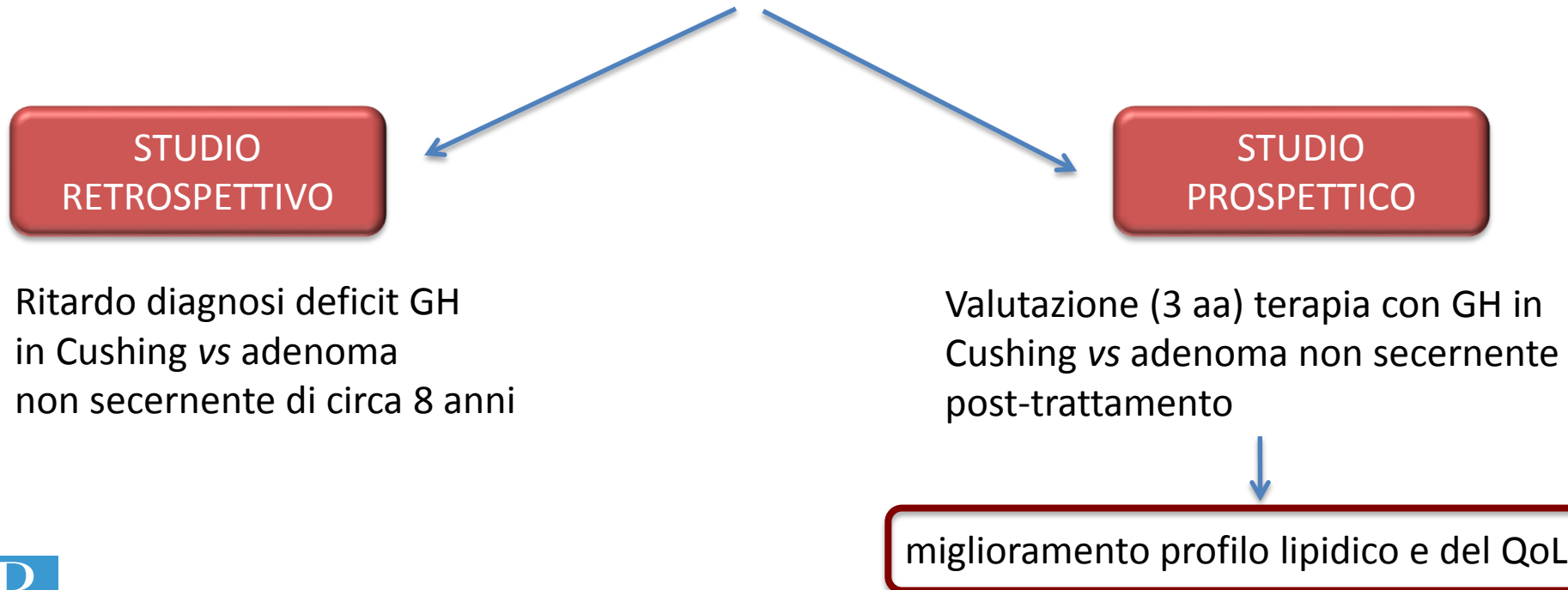
- ✧ Testare la riserva di GH ad intervalli regolari dopo la remissione clinica del Cushing
- ✧ Ulteriore valutazione della riserva di GH al completamento della crescita lineare: sospensione terapia con GH in pz con secrezione recuperata; continuazione terapia con GH in pz con secrezione non recuperata
- ✧ Prolungamento periodo di follow up in pz sottoposti a radioterapia
- ✧ Terapia con GH su base individuale nei casi di risposta subnormale in considerazione del deficit di GH nell'adulto

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Valutazione deficit GH e valutazione del trattamento con GH
nella malattia di Cushing In pazienti adulti



QUANDO INIZIARE LA TERAPIA CON rhGH?

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✓ Precocemente, quando diagnosticato un deficit severo di GH post-trattamento

QUANDO TERMINARE LA TERAPIA CON rh GH?

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- ✓ Oltre il raggiungimento dell'altezza finale, dopo retesting asse GH/IGF-I

ANALOGHI GnRH

A Randomized Controlled Trial of Three Years Growth Hormone and Gonadotropin-Releasing Hormone Agonist Treatment in Children with Idiopathic Short Stature and Intrauterine Growth Retardation*

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We conclude that 3 yr treatment with GnRHa was effective in suppressing pubertal development and skeletal maturation, whereas the addition of GH preserved growth velocity during treatment. This resulted in a considerable gain in predicted adult height, without demonstrable side effects. Final height results will provide the definite answer on the effectiveness of this combined treatment. (*J Clin Endocrinol Metab* **86**: 2969–2975, 2001)

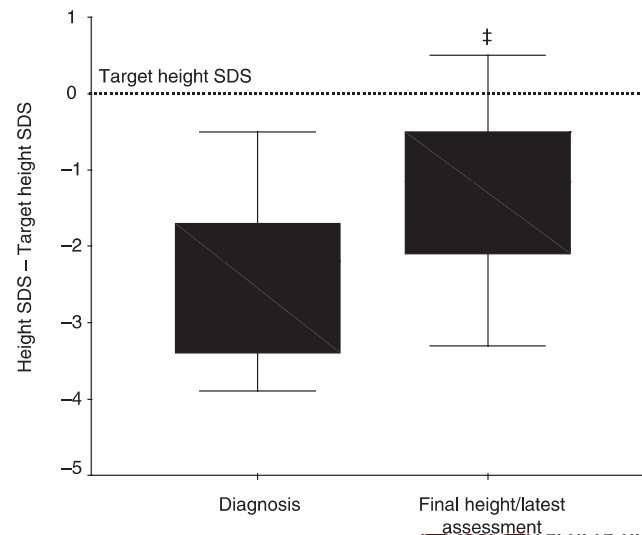
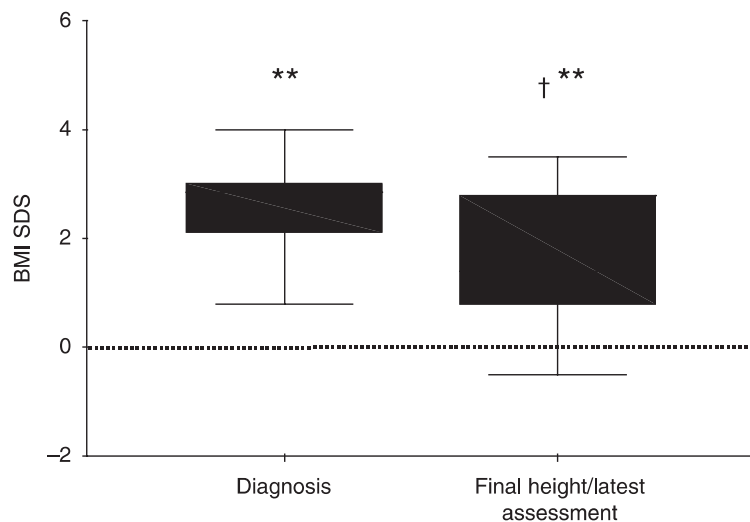
✧ Posporre la pubertà nel Cushing può avere un vantaggio nell'altezza finale

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Final adult height and body mass index after cure of paediatric Cushing's disease

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- ✧ Casistica retrospettiva: 10 maschi, 4 femmine trattati con TSS e radio-
- ✧ Post-trattamento: 13 deficit GH
- ✧ Terapia: 9 GH, 4 GH + analoghi GnRH



ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Treatment with a Luteinizing Hormone–Releasing Hormone Agonist in Adolescents with Short Stature

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and Gordon B. Cutler, Jr., M.D.

N ENGL J MED 348;10 WWW.NEJM.ORG MARCH 6, 2003

CONCLUSIONS

Treatment with an LHRH agonist for 3.5 years increases adult height by 0.6 SD in adolescents with very short stature but substantially decreases bone mineral density. Such treatment cannot be routinely recommended to augment height in adolescents with normally timed puberty.

Final Height Outcome after Three Years of Growth Hormone and Gonadotropin-Releasing Hormone Agonist Treatment in Short Adolescents with Relatively Early Puberty

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Conclusion: Given the expensive and intensive treatment regimen, its modest height gain results, and the possible adverse effect on peak bone mineralization in males, GH plus GnRHa cannot be considered routine treatment for children with idiopathic short stature or persistent short stature after being born small for gestational age. (*J Clin Endocrinol Metab* 92: 1402–1408, 2007)

- ✧ La somma dell'effetto dei GC e degli agonisti GnRH può essere svantaggiosa sulla densità minerale ossea nel Cushing

INIBITORI AROMATASI

Inhibition of Estrogen Biosynthesis with a Potent Aromatase Inhibitor Increases Predicted Adult Height in Boys with Idiopathic Short Stature: A Randomized Controlled Trial

Matti Hero, Ensio Norjavaara, and Leo Dunkel

Conclusions: Treatment with the aromatase inhibitor Lz delays

Limitare l'azione estrogenica:



maturazione ossea



altezza finale

Adolescent Males Treated with Growth Hormone: A Randomized, Placebo-Controlled, Multicenter Trial for One to Three Years

Nelly Mauras, Lilliam Gonzalez de Pijem, Helen Y. Hsiang, Paul Desrosiers, Robert Rapaport, I. David Schwartz, Karen Oerter Klein, Ravinder J. Singh, Anna Miyamoto, and Kim Bishop

Conclusions: Anastrozole increases adult height potential of adolescent boys on GH therapy while maintaining normal pubertal progression after 2–3 yr. This treatment offers an alternative in promoting growth in GH-deficient boys in puberty. Long-term follow up is needed to elucidate fully the safety and efficacy of this approach. (*J Clin Endocrinol Metab* 93: 823–831, 2008)

CASE REPORT

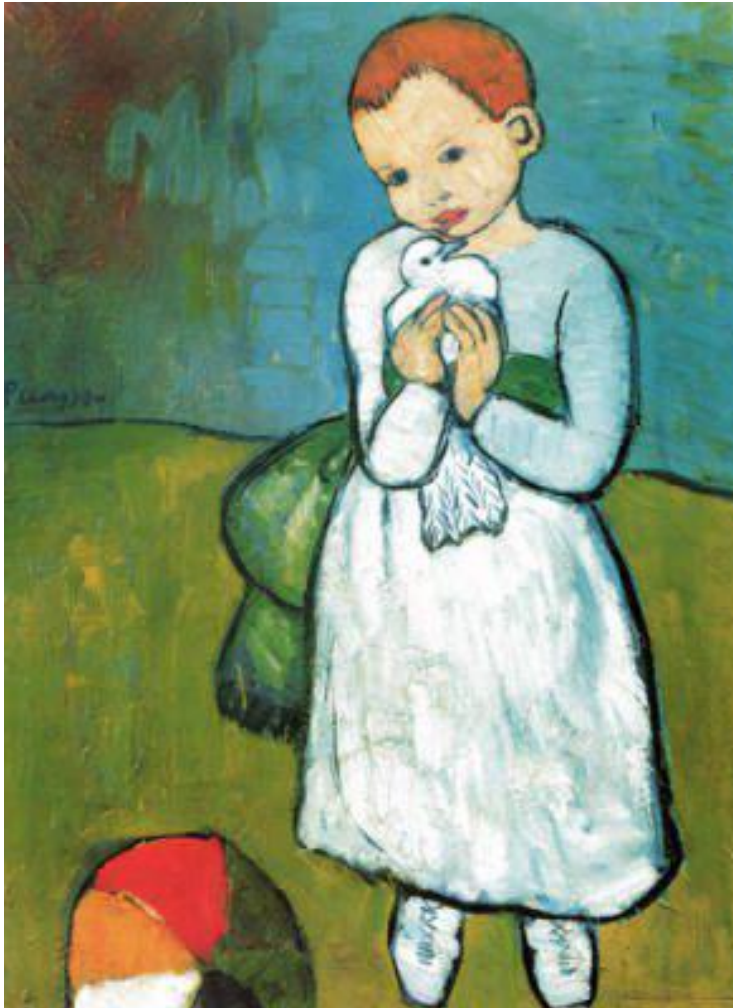
Combined treatment with GH and anastrozole in a pubertal boy with Cushing's disease and postsurgical GH deficiency

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Case report:

- ❖ trattamento combinato GH + anastrozole per 2.5 anni
- ❖ riduzione maturazione ossea
- ❖ altezza finale soddisfacente
- ❖ raggiungimento pubertà in età consona
- ❖ miglioramento densità minerale ossea





CONCLUSIONI

- ✧ Iniziare precocemente la terapia con rh GH per evitare di compromettere la crescita finale anche nel deficit “subnormale”
- ✧ Considerare la terapia con GH in associazione ad agonisti GnRH in età puberale valutando la densità minerale ossea
- ✧ Testare la riserva di GH per almeno 2 aa post-terapia

- ✧ Indagare sempre il deficit di GH dopo trattamento chirurgico e/o radioterapico
- ✧ Impostare un trattamento precoce con rh GH nel deficit accertato fino a raggiungimento altezza finale e a nuova valutazione livelli GH

PROBLEMATICHE APERTE

- ✧ Dati statistici insufficienti per stabilire rapporti tra severità, durata e variabilità di risposta alle diverse forme di ipercortisolismo per esiguità casistiche
- ✧ No studi su crescita a lungo termine e altezza finale
- ✧ Impiego rhGH
- ✧ Impiego analoghi GnRH
- ✧ Impiego inibitori aromatasi

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