



Help! I've never heard of this  
syndrome....

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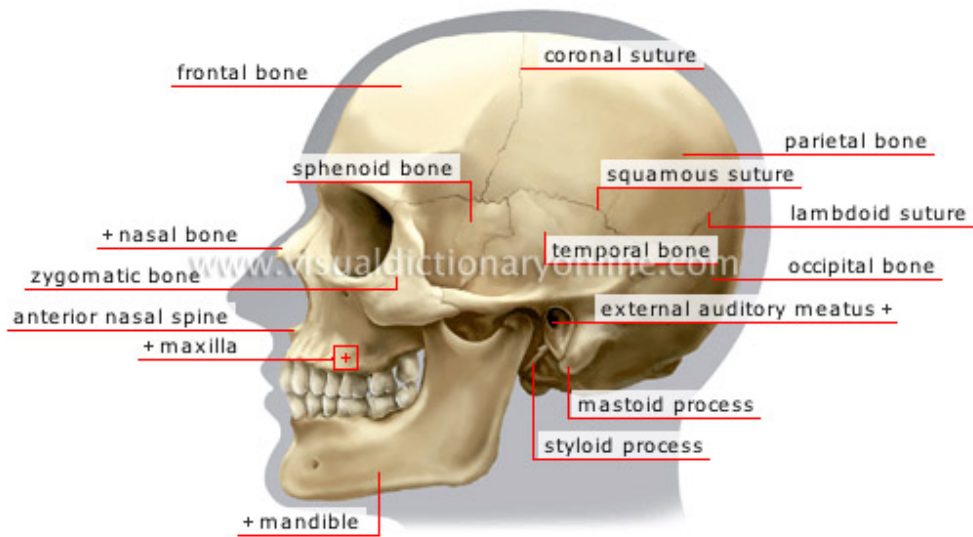
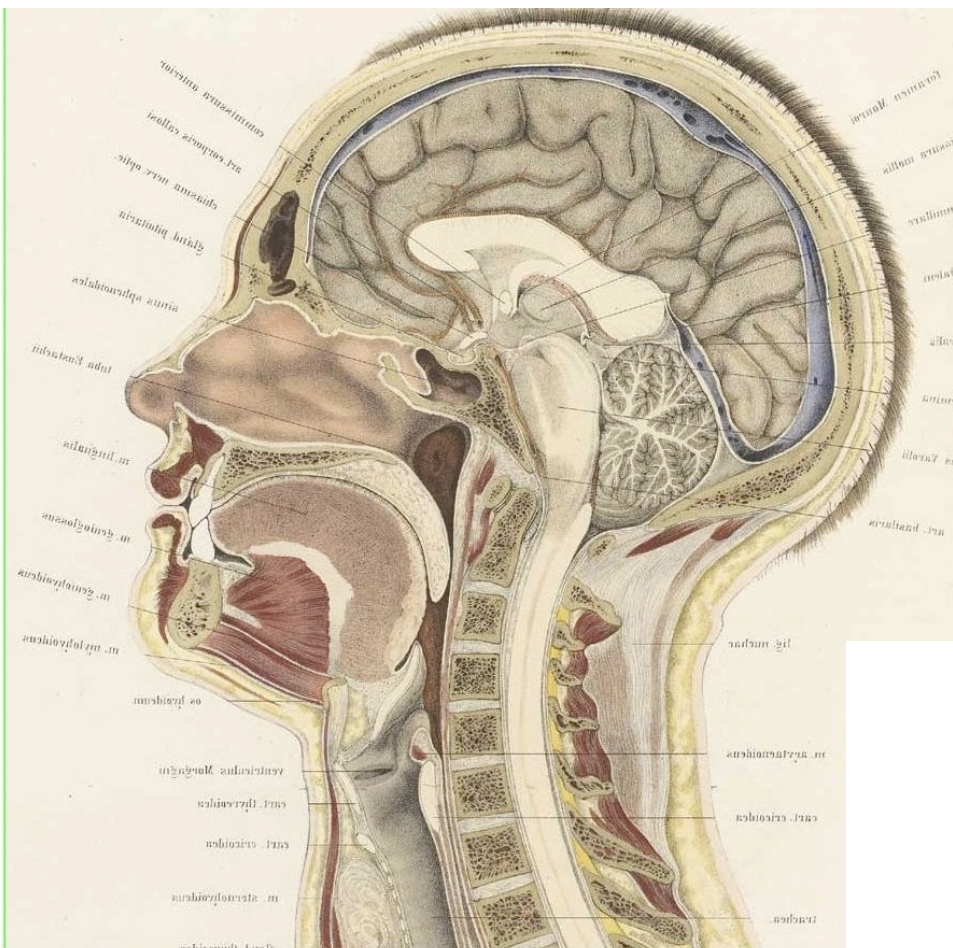
Chelsea and Westminster Hospital **NHS**  
NHS Foundation Trust

# Anytime, anywhere...

- Any geographical location
- Any hospital
- Elective/emergency
- Surgery/medical stabilisation
- For investigations
- In adulthood...

# NAP 4

- 13 paed case (7%)
- 3 deaths (A&E, ICU, theatres)
- 3 congenital abnormalities
- 9/13 < 4 years old



# Anatomical Segments

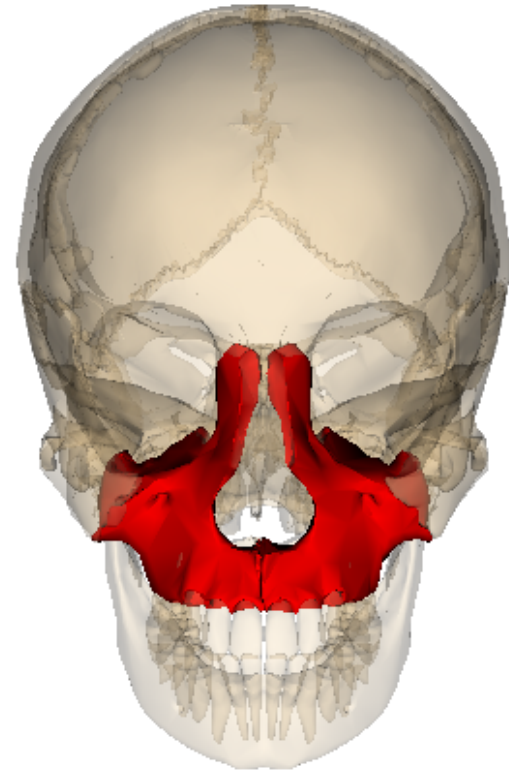
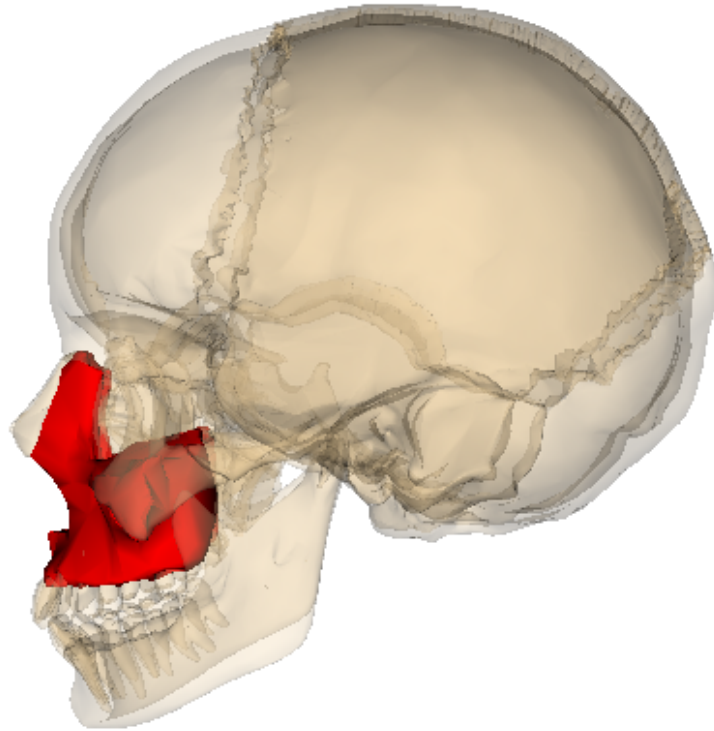
- 1 Maxillary Hypoplasia
- 2 Mandibular Hypoplasia
- 3 Combined maxillary and mandibular hypoplasia
- 4 Enlarged tongue

## **Airway Management in Children with Craniofacial Anomalies**

Jonathan A. Perkins, Kathleen C. Y. Sie, Henry Milczuk, Mark A. Richardson

*The Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Journal: March 1997, Vol. 34, No. 2, pp. 135-140.*

- 109 patients
- symmetric mid-face and/or mandibular hypoplasia
- airway intervention
  - Positioning
  - Nasopharyngeal airway
  - Tracheotomy
  - Other
  - None



# Mid-face Hypoplasia



42% airway intervention

- Crouzon
- Apert
- Pfeiffer
- Saethre-Chotzen
- CHARGE



# Maxillary Hypoplasia

- OSA 50%
- Palate high and arched
- Normal mandible
- Choanal stenosis
- Mouth breathers
- Tracheal ring abnormalities

# Maxillary Hypoplasia

- Mouth open for BVM
- Face mask fit may be tricky
- Laryngoscopy usually straightforward
- May require smaller tube

## Perioperative complications in children with Apert syndrome: a review of 509 anaesthetics

Sarah Barnett, Claire Moloney & Robert Bingham

Great Ormond Street Hospital, London, UK

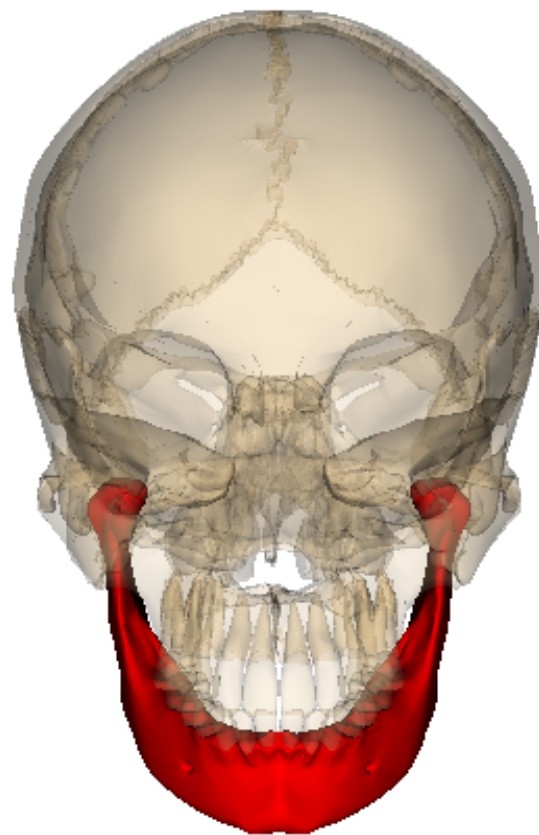
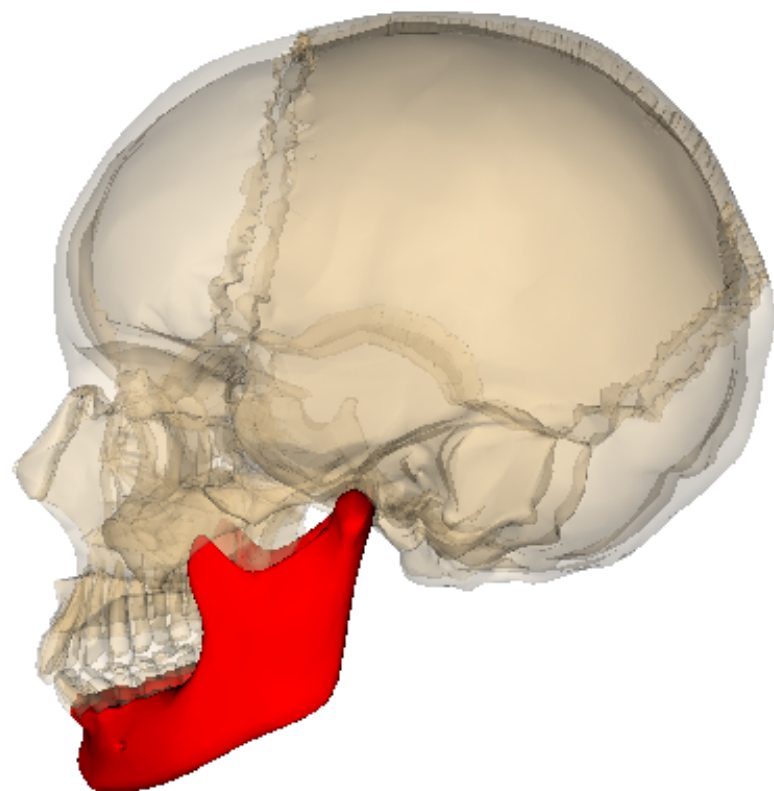
Facemask	68 (13%)
LMA	206 (40%)
Tracheal tube	199 (39%)
	<b>- 196 grade 1 or 2, 3 grade 3</b>
Tracheostomy	36 (7%)

Pre-operative OSA 50%

Supraglottic obstruction at induction 19 (4%)

**- ALL managed with simple airway manoeuvres**

No subglottic obstruction



# Mandibular Hypoplasia

- 72% airway intervention
- Pierre Robin Sequence
  - Stickler's
  - Nager

# Mandibular Hypoplasia



- Reduced anterior mandibular space
- High anterior larynx
- Nowhere for tongue to be displaced
- Often cleft palate

# Pierre Robin Sequence

- Micrognathia
- Glossoptosis
- Respiratory obstruction
- Cleft palate

## Airway Management for Intubation in Newborns With Pierre Robin Sequence

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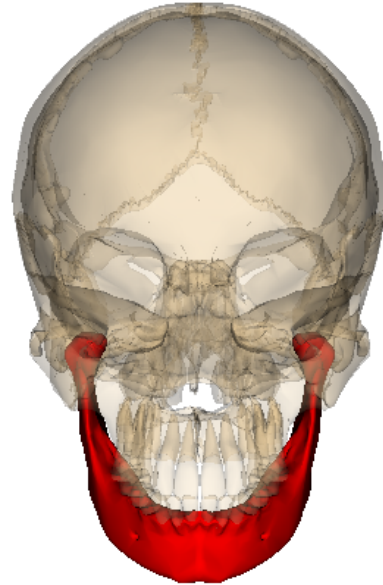
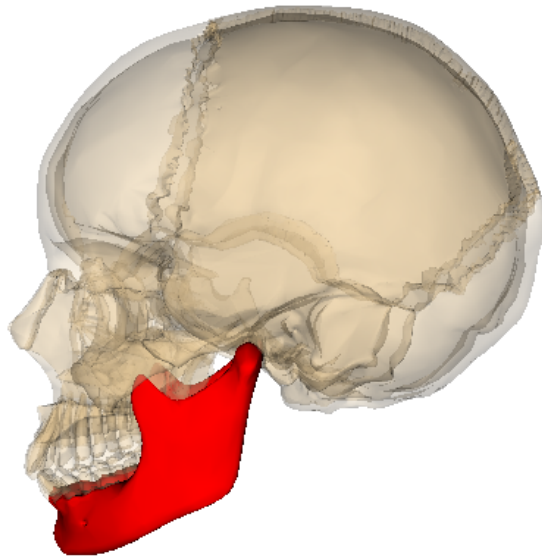
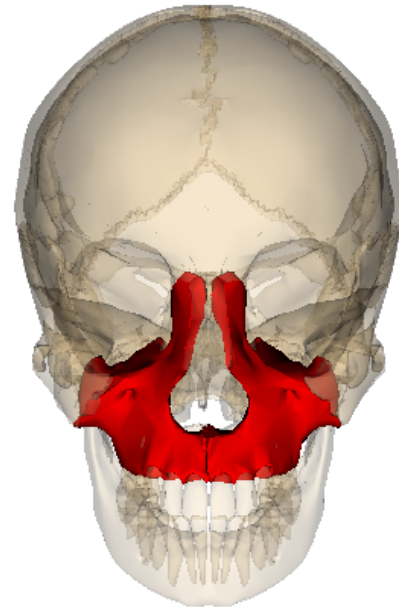
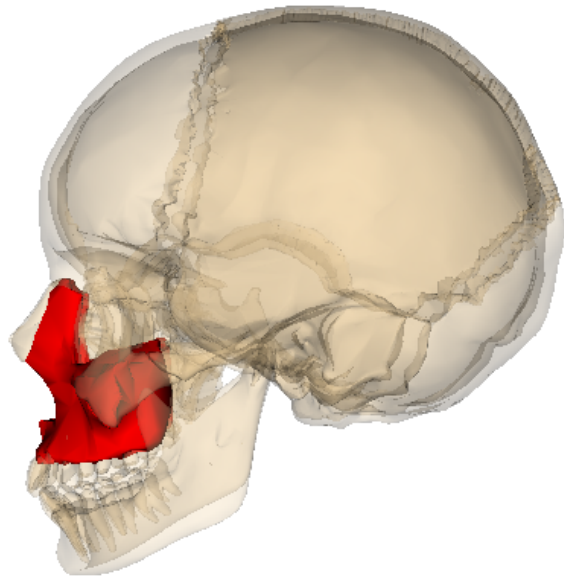
Alexander P. Marston, BA; Timothy A. Lander, MD; Robert J. Tibesar, MD; James D. Sidman, MD

- 33 PRS patients, 35 intubations
  - 13/35 (37%) direct laryngosocpy
  - 22/35 (63%) fibreoptic bronchoscope
- No problems BVM
- No tracheostomy



# Mandibular Hypoplasia

- Consider oral/  
pharyngeal airway
- ?OSA – mask ventilation
- Alternative airway  
techniques
- Fibreoptic
- Tracheotomy



# Hypoplastic Maxilla AND Mandible

71% airway intervention

- Treacher Collins
- Bilateral hemifacial microsomia

# Hypoplastic Maxilla AND Mandible



- Nasal obstruction
- OSA
- Reduced submandibular space

# Treacher-Collins Syndrome



- Mandibular/malar/zygomatic hypoplasia
- Down-slanting palpebral fissures
- Eyelid colobomas
- Malformation external pinna and ear canal
- Cleft palate/velopharyngeal

# Anesthesia for Treacher Collins syndrome: a review of airway management in 240 pediatric cases

Jane Hosking<sup>1</sup>, David Zoanetti<sup>1,2</sup>, Alison Carlyle<sup>3</sup>, Peter Anderson<sup>2,4</sup> & David Costi<sup>1,2</sup>

35 children, 240 anaesthetics

BVM      easy              63 (26%)

            difficult        22 (9%)

- **all** became easy with LMA

trache in situ    42 (17%)

no comment    113 (47%)

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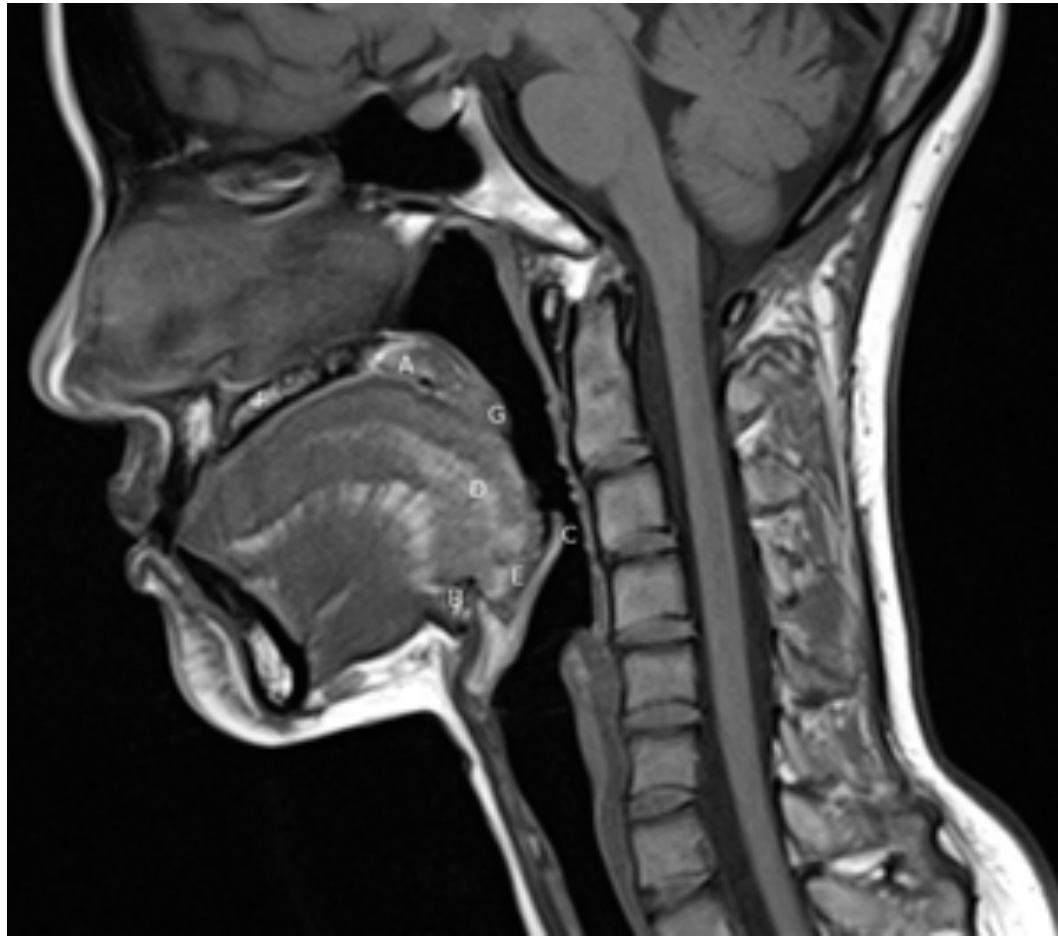
## Intubation:

- Failed intubation rate 5%
- 41% used alternative technique from direct laryngoscopy
- Increasing age associated with higher Cormack-Lehane Grade

# Hemifacial microsomia

- As severity mandibular deformation increases, intubation difficulty increases
- Often more difficult after surgery
- Tracheal intubation AND mask ventilation may be difficult



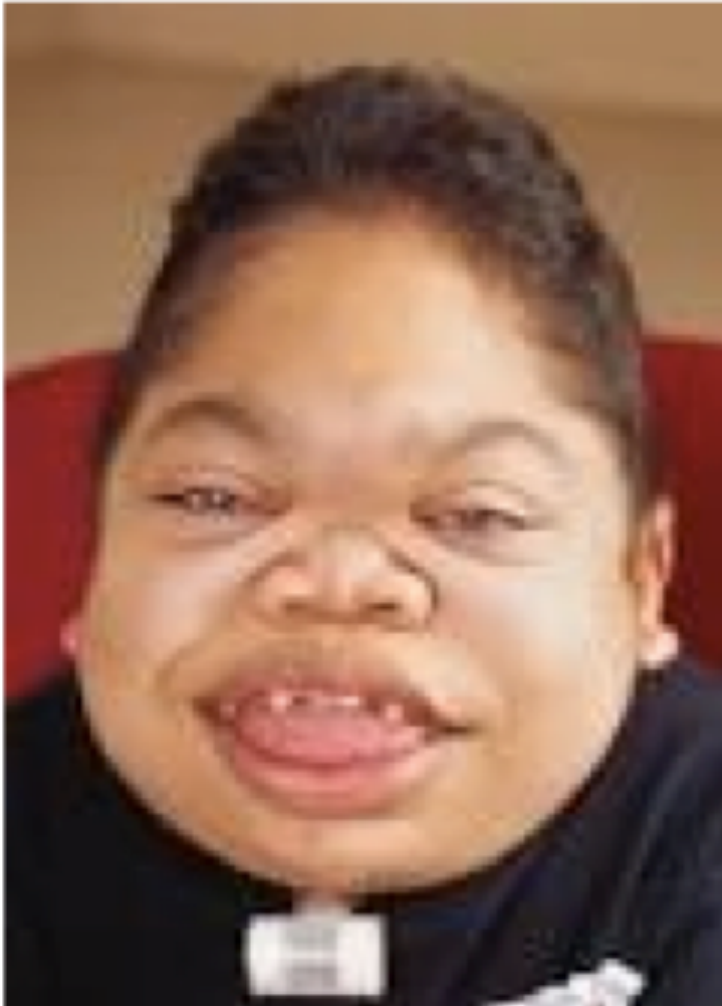


# Macroglossia



- Mucopolysaccharidoses (Hunter's/Hurlers)
- Beckwith-Wiedemann
- Down's

# Macroglossia



- Obstruct airway
- Hypoxia may lead to cor pulmonale
- Difficult BVM and intubation

# Mucopolysaccharidoses



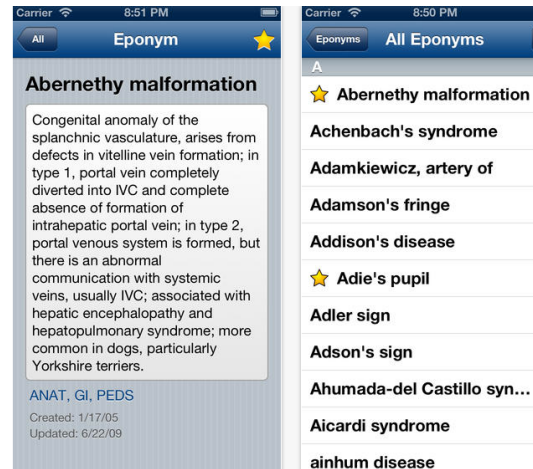
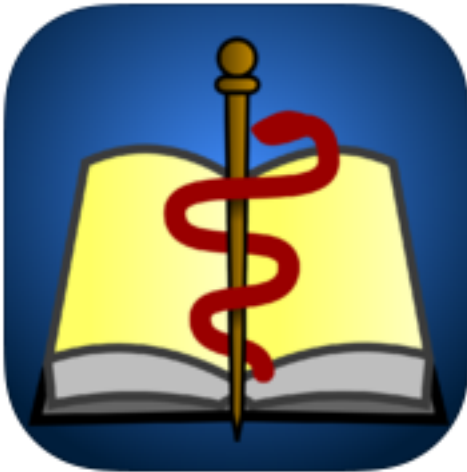
- Enlarged tongue
- Thickening soft tissue oropharynx, larynx
- Profuse secretions
- Blockage nasal passages
- Progressive airway obstruction
- Limited neck movement
- Learning disabilities

# Mucopolysaccharidoses – the bottom line!

- Difficult facemask ventilation – 14.2%
  - No Rx 26.7%, BMT 4.2%, ERT 12.5%
- Failed intubation – 1.4 - 3%
- Difficult intubation (all MPs ) – 28%
  - Odds ratio BMT 0.36, ERT 3.95
- BMT < 2year age decreases airway management problems compared ERT and no treatment

# Resources

- Eponyms app
- [www.orphananesthesia.eu](http://www.orphananesthesia.eu)



orphananesthesia

Anesthesia recommendations for patients suffering from  
**Apert-Syndrome**

Disease name: Apert Syndrome

ICD 10: Q87.0

Synonyms: ACS 1, Acrocephalosyndactyly type 1

Apert Syndrome was named after the French paediatrician Eugene Apert, who first described the collection of signs in 1906. It is a congenital disease that is a form of acrocephalosyndactyly, and is characterized by malformations of the skull, hands, feet and face.

It is a rare disease with an incidence of around 1 per 160,000 live births. It is an autosomal dominant complaint and affects both females and males equally. Interestingly however the vast majority of cases are due to sporadic mutations, but there is an association with increased paternal age.

It is thought that the affected chromosome is chromosome 10, and there are two main identified gene defects affecting fibroblast growth factor receptor 2 gene. The resultant abnormal receptor prevents apoptosis of cells, and so in the case of those affected by Apert syndrome, digits on both hands and feet may be fused. These fusions can be either cutaneous or bony. Receptors found in the cranium are also affected and thus cause premature fusion of sutures resulting in craniosynostosis.

Apert syndrome is always apparent at birth. This is due to the characteristic hand and foot deformities, although the facial deformity may be less obvious in some cases.

Medicine in progress

Perhaps new knowledge

Every patient is unique

Perhaps the diagnostic is wrong

Butler MG et al. **Specific Genetic Diseases at Risk for Sedation/Anesthesia Complications.** Special Article. Anesth Analg 2000;91:837-55

# Recommendations

- On-line, fast resources / apps
- Can often predict
- Think about anatomical segments
- Equipment – remember NP airways, LMAs
- Team – consider early ENT involvement
- Tracheostomy may be required
- Practice combined techniques