



## CONVEGNO ACAR 2019

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# OVERVIEW

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- Introduction to EOS System
- EOS indications and limits
- Post-processing and clinical applications
- Conclusions



40% of the population will undergo  
a hip, knee or spine surgery

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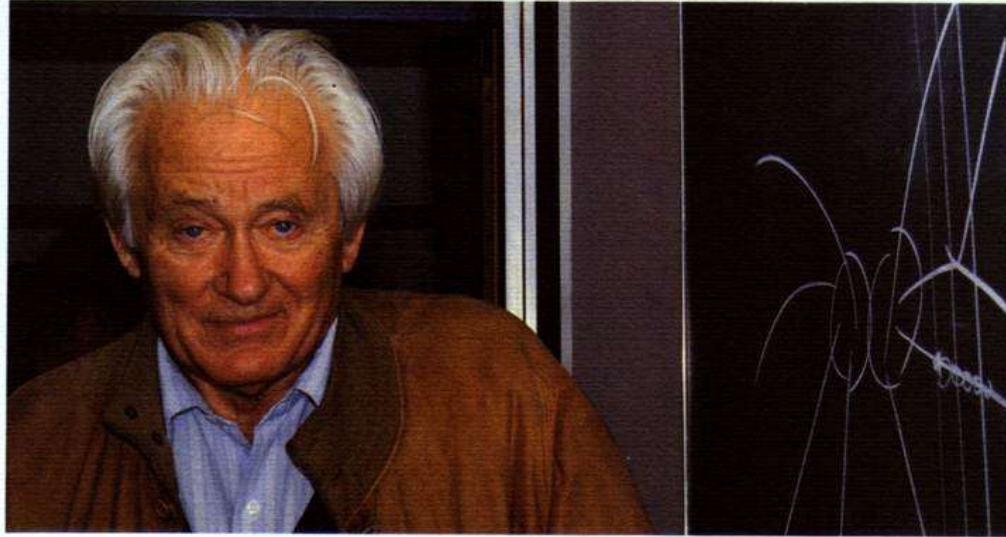
## Osteo-articular pathologies & orthopedics

**Lifestyle changes**

**Aging population**

**Obesity**

# WHAT IS EOS SYSTEM?



**Georges Charpak**, 1992 Physics Nobel Prize  
Founder of EOS imaging

- Is a sophisticated radiological French aerospace agency product created after the discovery of **Georges Charpak**, awarded the Nobel Prize for physics in 1992
- Main feature is to perform an X-ray of the skeleton in the **upright** position, in few seconds with very low radiation dose

# Current solutions for osteo-articular imaging are

## Bone orthopedic imaging

### 2D radiographs



- X-ray (2D radiographs) are **local and in two dimensions (projected)**

### CT Scanner



- CT Scanner has more limited use due to **dose and recumbent position**

## Ligaments, disks and cartilages

### Ultrasound



### MRI



Techniques used to visualize soft tissues

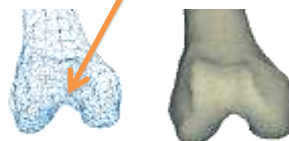
# 2D and 3D MSK imaging in one single exam



Takes two simultaneous digital planar radiographs in the standing position with very low dose :

## 2D

**DETECTION TECHNOLOGY ALLOWING FULL BODY LOW DOSE 2D**



Creates a three dimensional bone envelope weight bearing image :

## 3D

**3D VISUALISATION AND AUTOMATIC CALCULATION OF CLINICAL PARAMETERS**

# Low dose

One day  
9  $\mu\text{Sv}$ \*

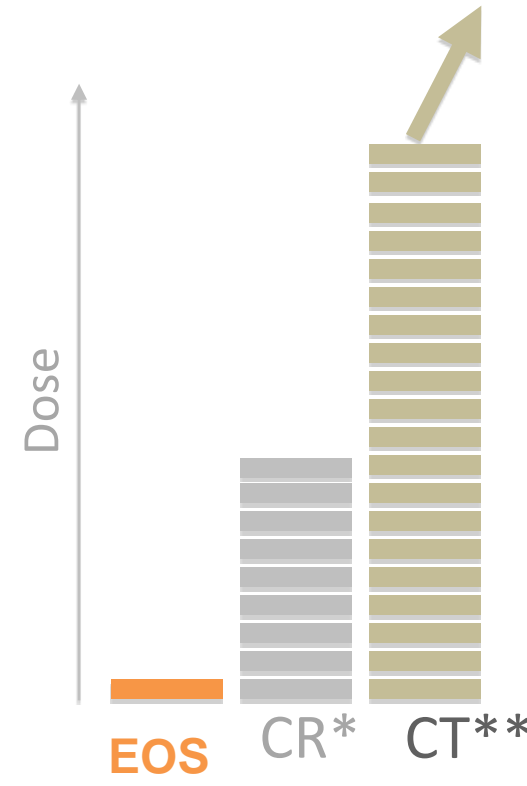


One week  
63  $\mu\text{Sv}$ \*

EOS vs CR: **>85%** dose reduction \*

EOS vs CT: **>95%** dose reduction \*\*

- **Linear detector**: no scatter detected, noise suppressed  
→ **Signal to noise improvement for same dose**
- **Unique detector principle** : Cascade reaction between photons and pressurised gas  
→ **Signal amplified internally with a non-linear, self adjustable gain allowing extreme efficiency at very low dose**



**1.4  $\mu\text{Gy}$**   
extreme dose  
reduction  
possible for  
bone length  
studies

\* S. Parent et al., "Diagnostic imaging of spinal deformities: Reducing patients radiation dose with a new slot-scanning x-ray imager" – Spine April 2010, 35 (9): 989.

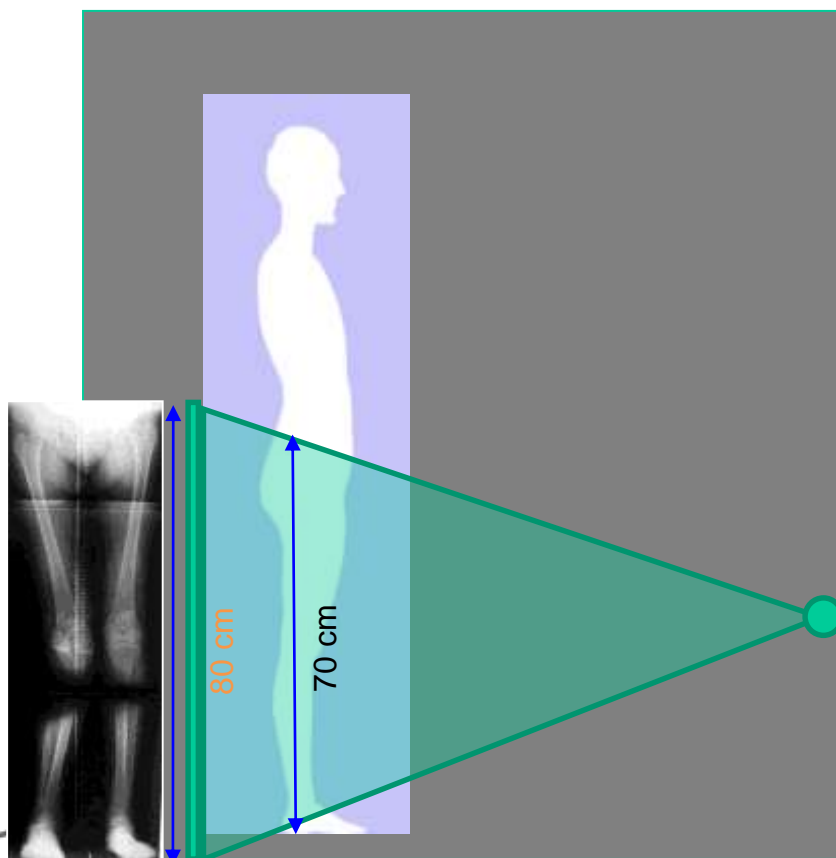
\*\* D. Folinais et al., "Lower Limb Torsional assessment: comparison EOS/CT Scan" – JFR 2011

# Full body

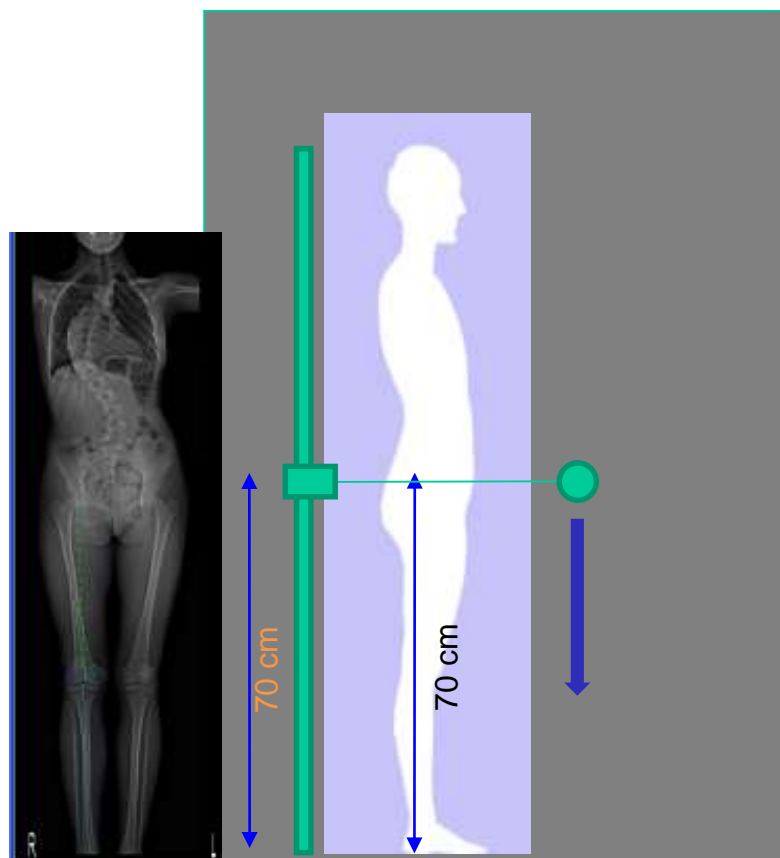
Scanning suppresses projection zoom errors

Full body in one take of 20s or less

## CR/DR



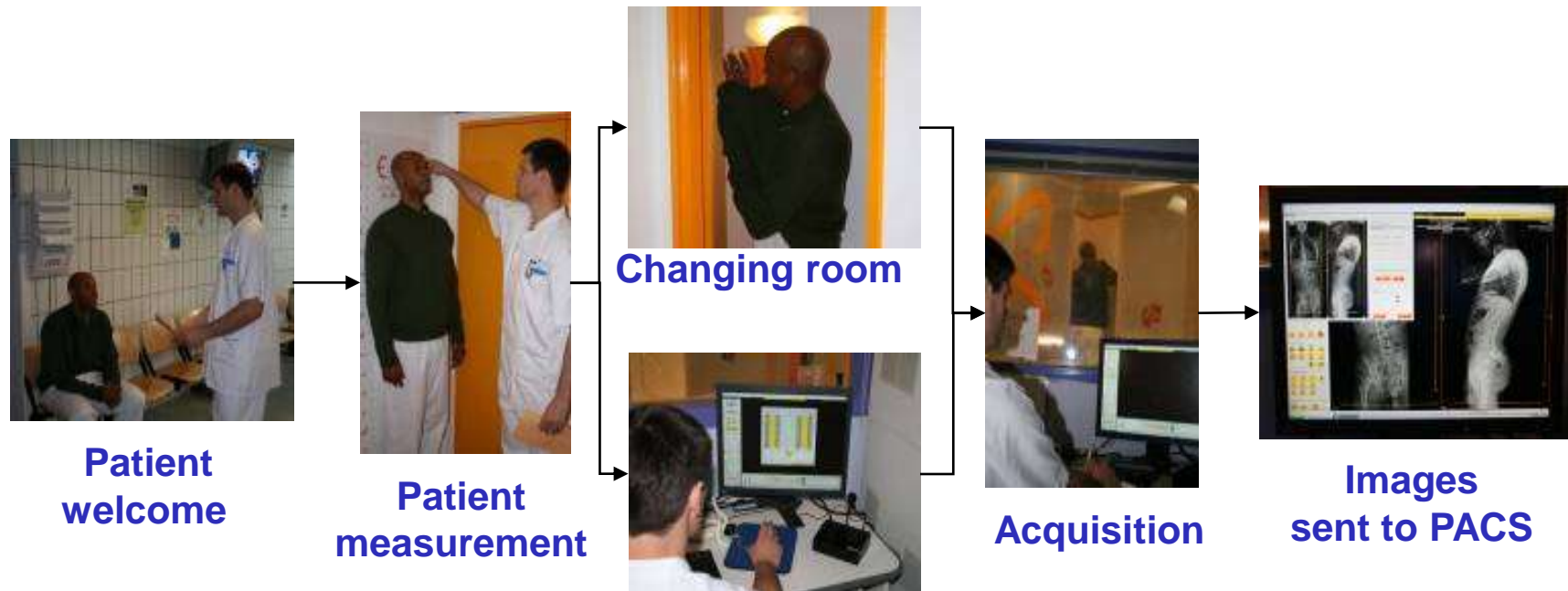
## EOS





# High throughput

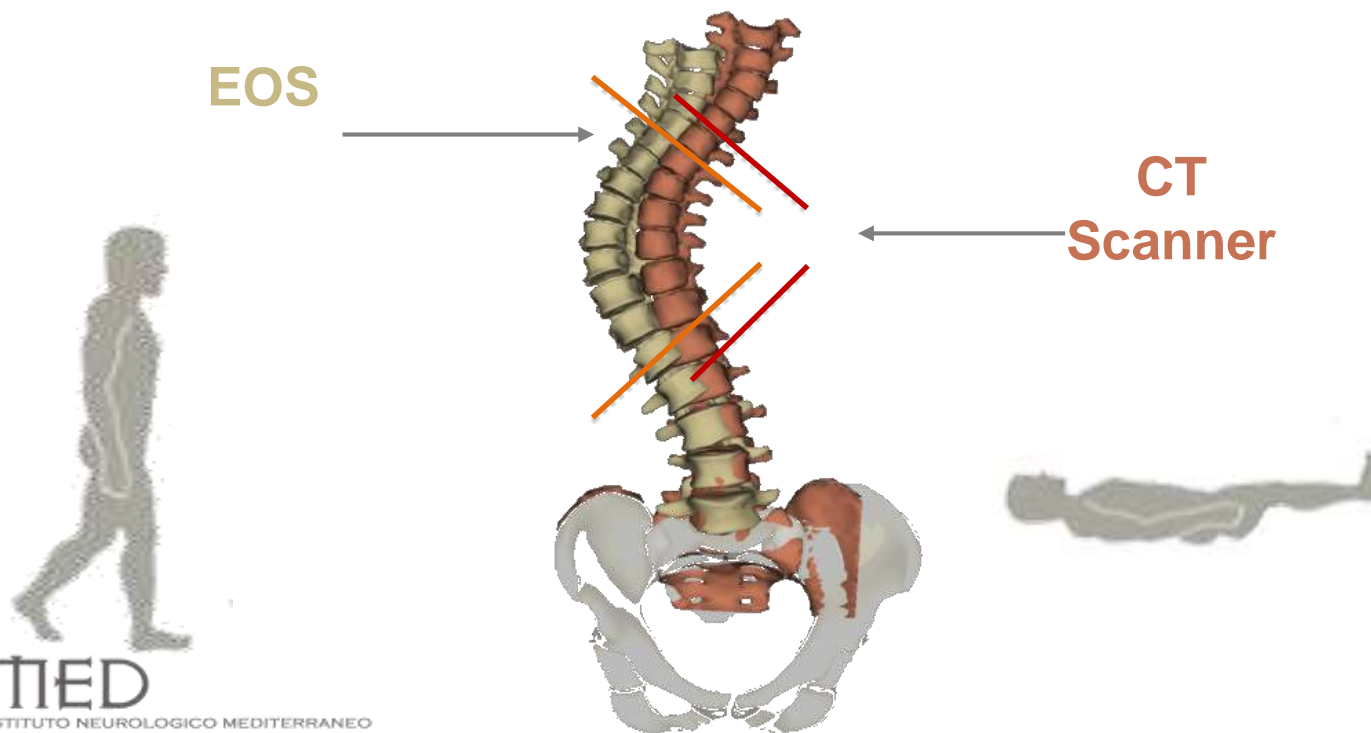
- 3min 40sec average for complex spine exams



# Weight bearing 3D: until now unavailable

- Diagnosis and surgery planning must be carried in the **functional, weight bearing position**

## EOS vs. CT Scanner





# EOS limits

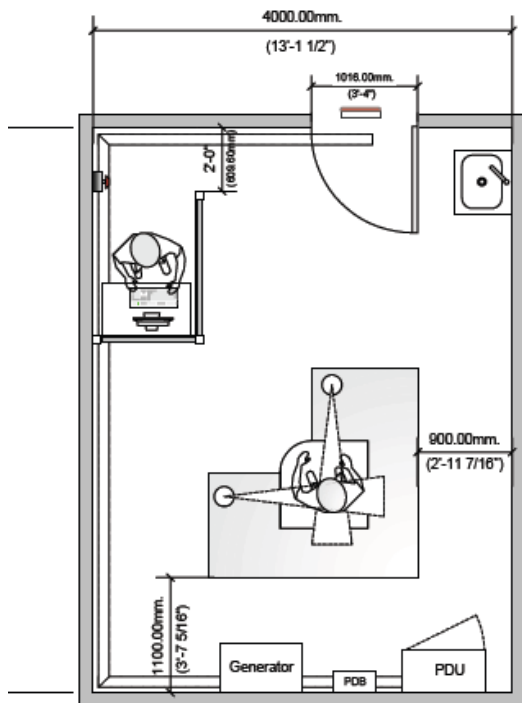
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- ✓ Limited applicability to patients with underlying neurologic or neuromuscular disorders
- ✓ The 2D images on X-ray films presents less contrast compared to conventional digital radiography
- ✓ 3D reconstructions is semi-automatic (increase risk of error without adequate operator shaping adjusts)
- ✓ Available software packages do not allow 3D reconstruction for children below the age of 5-6 years, because they were originally conceived for adult bones
- ✓ 3D reconstruction involves just the outer bone surface (“envelope”); the inner structure or architecture of the bone is not considered because the reconstruction is based on only two radiographies, unlike the CT scan.

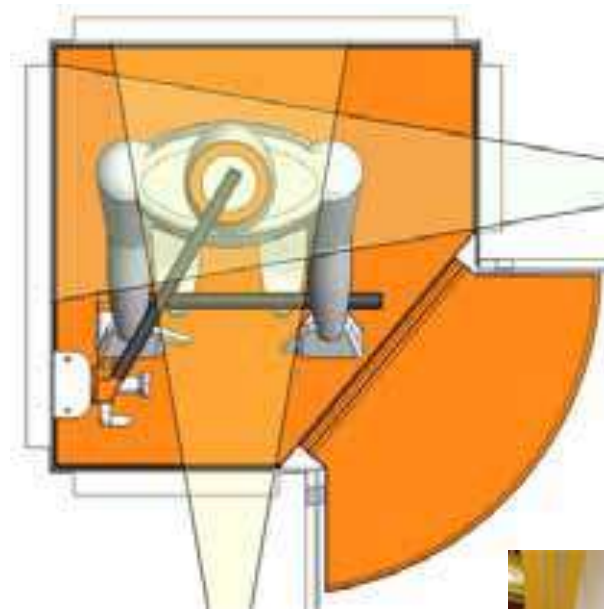
# EOS examination

- *Correct positioning of the patient is very important.*
- Examination lasts few seconds.
- **Post-processing** almost an **hour**.
- 2D and 3D images are obtained (accurate measurement of the angles of the spine and pelvis)





Minimum ceiling height = 275 cm (9 feet)



X-ray



Past.....FUTURE

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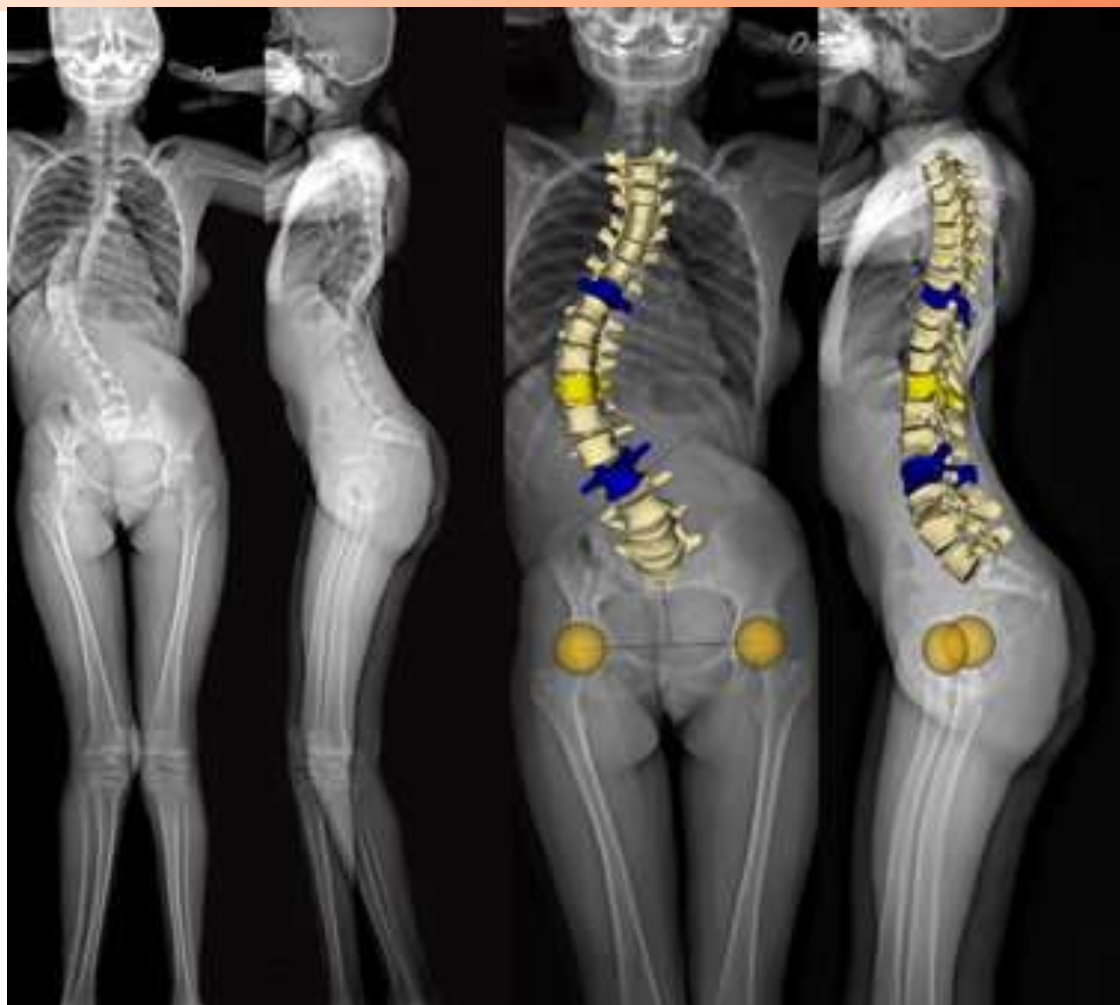




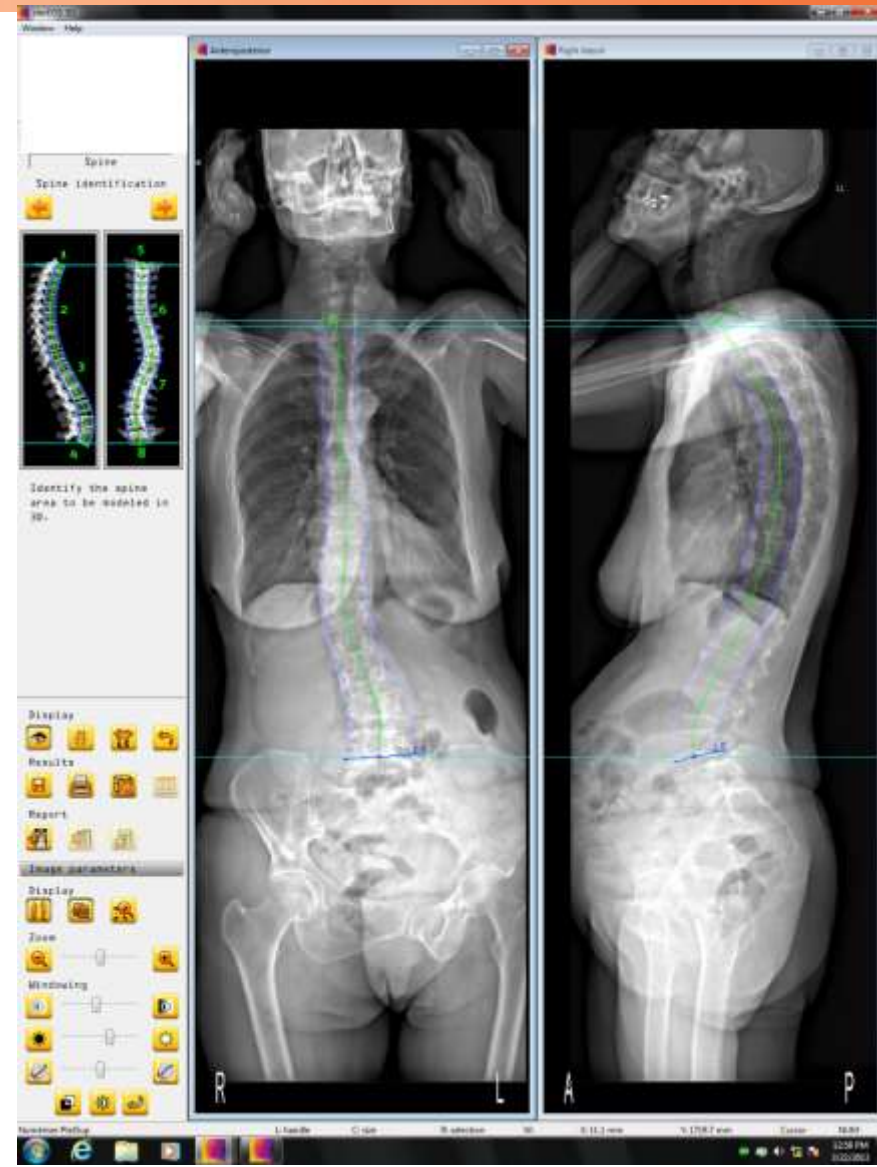
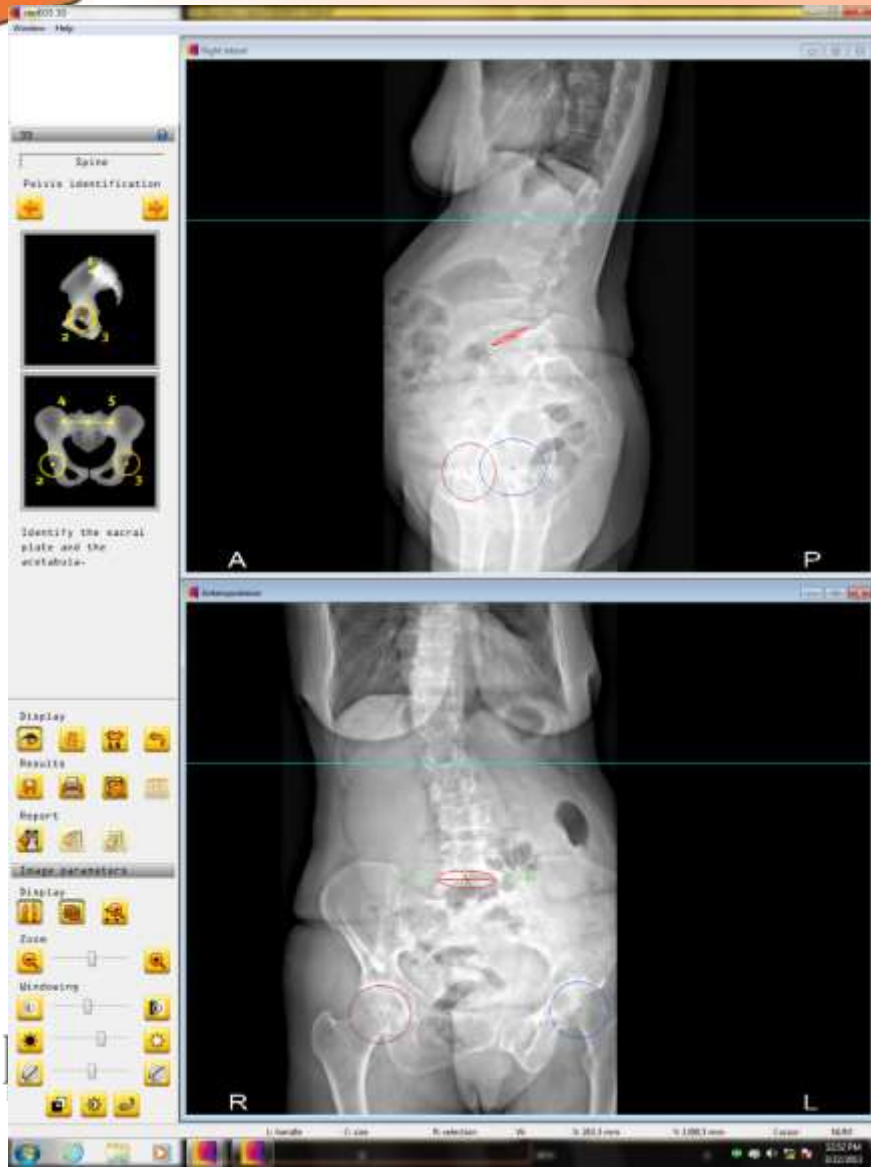


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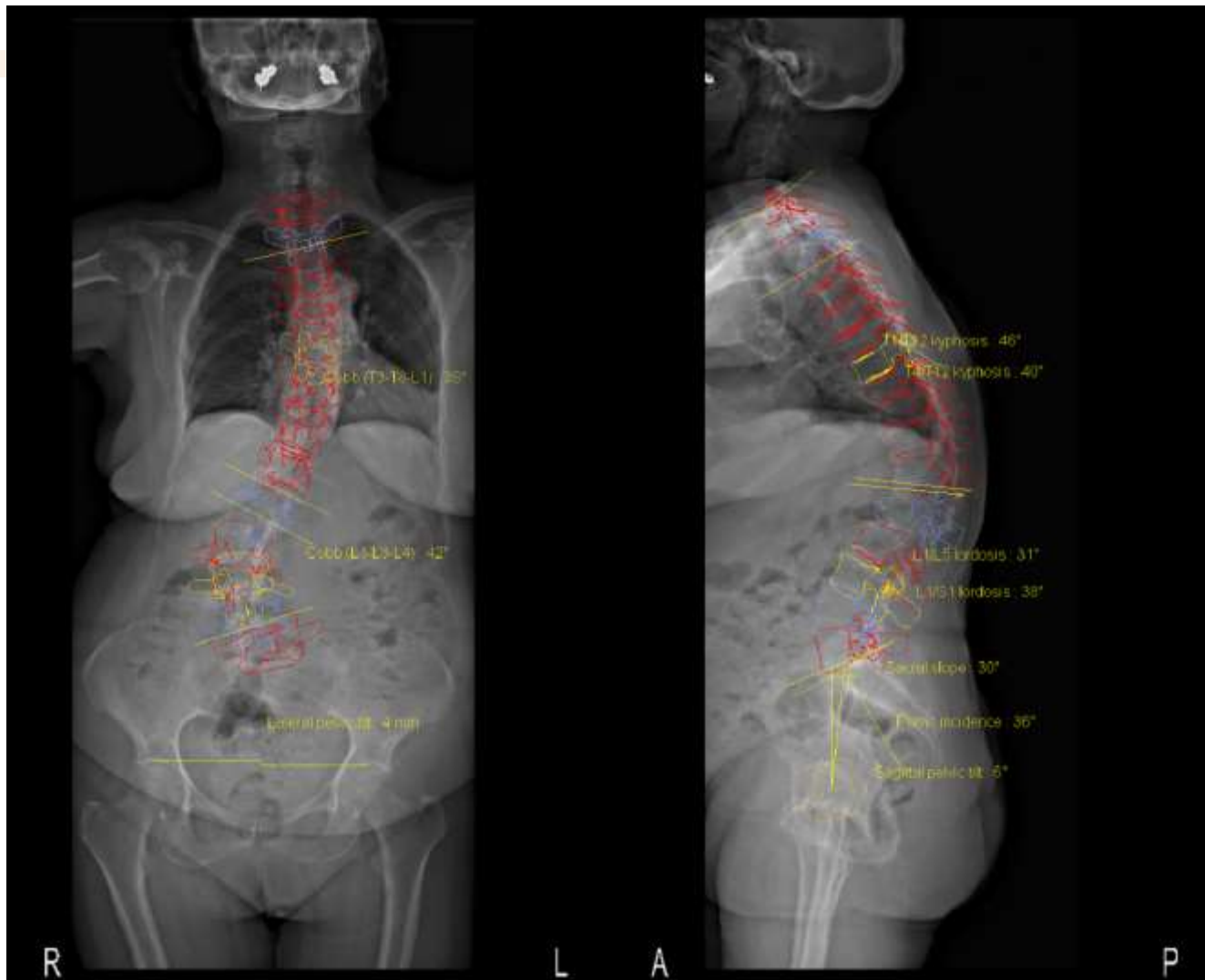
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# EOS SPINE post-processing

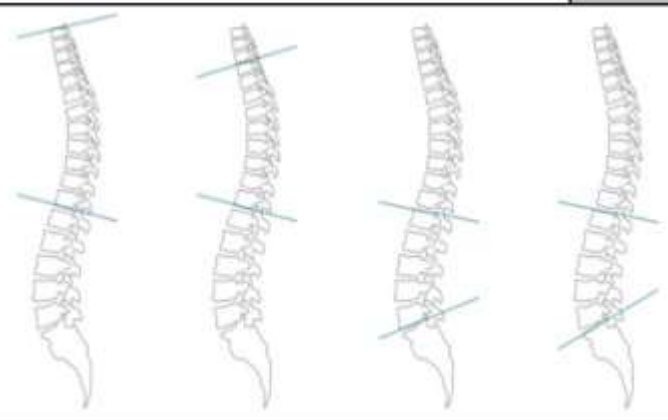






# Radiological Report

T1/T12 kyphosis	46°
T4/T12 kyphosis	40°
L1/L5 lordosis	31°
L1/S1 lordosis	38°



Curve (L1-L3-L4)	Cobb (L1-L3-L4)	42°
	Axial rotation of apical vertebra L3	6°
Curve (T3-T8-L1)	Cobb (T3-T8-L1)	38°
	Axial rotation of apical vertebra T8	0°



Pelvic incidence (1)	36°	
Sacral slope (1)	30°	
Sagittal pelvic tilt (1)	6°	
Lateral pelvic tilt (1)	4 mm	
Pelvis axial rotation (2)	-1°	

# Radiological Report



Vertebrae axial rotations

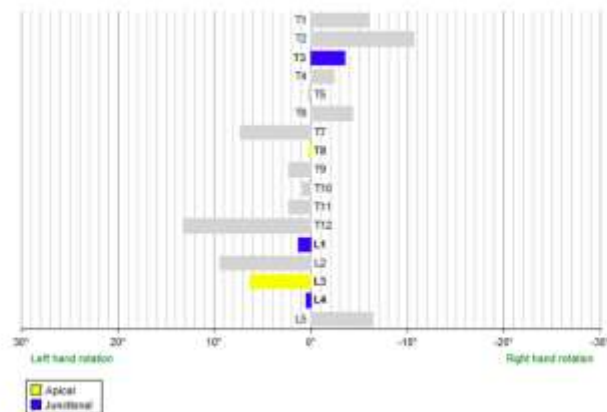
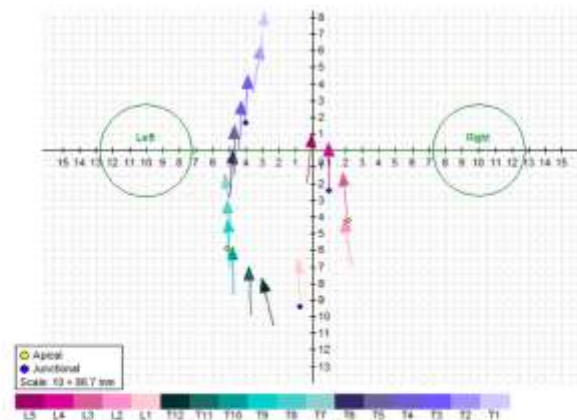


Diagram of vertebrae axial rotations (calculated in relation to the pelvis).



# EOS Lower Limb post-processing

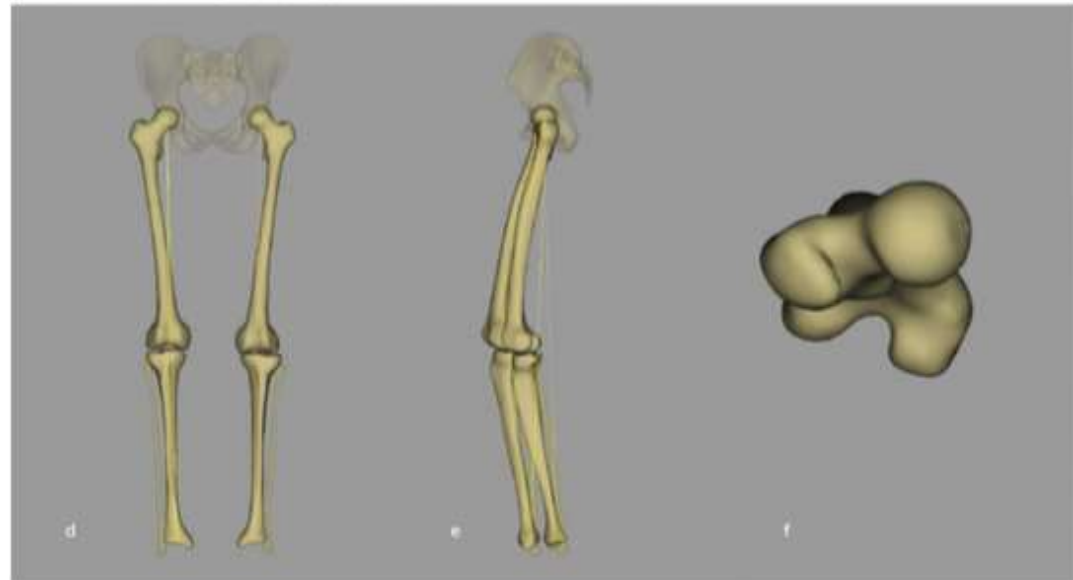
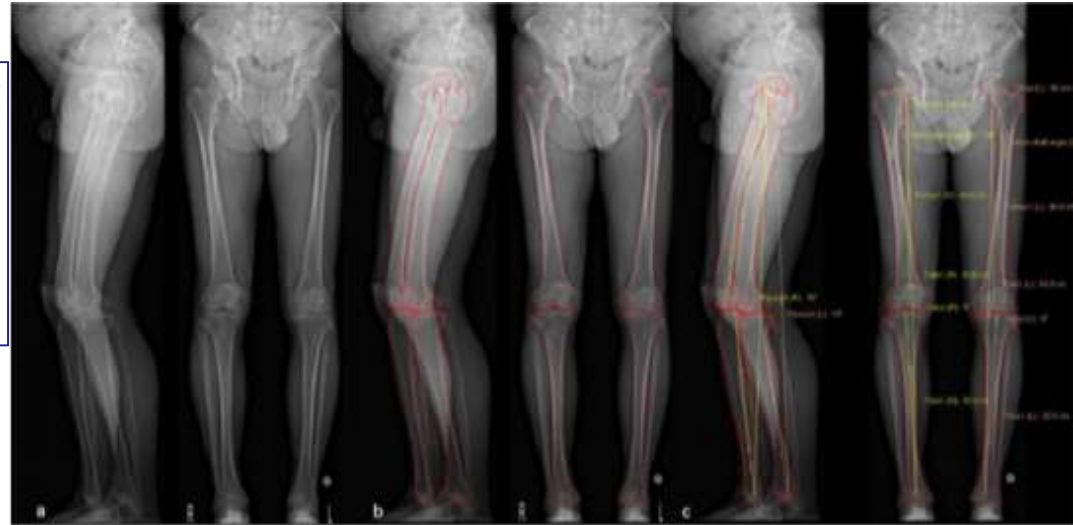
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CURRENT CONCEPT REVIEW

## EOS® biplanar X-ray imaging: concept, developments, benefits, and limitations

Elias Melhem<sup>1</sup> · Ayman Assi<sup>2</sup> · Rami El Rachkidi<sup>1</sup> · Ismat Ghanem<sup>1,2</sup>





# Clinical applications

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## Axial skeleton pathologies:

- Deformative and degenerative spine
- Hip and knee pathologies & arthroplasty
- Lower limb deformity
- Global posture assessment
- Rheumatology



# Spine 2D

## Pediatric



## Degenerative

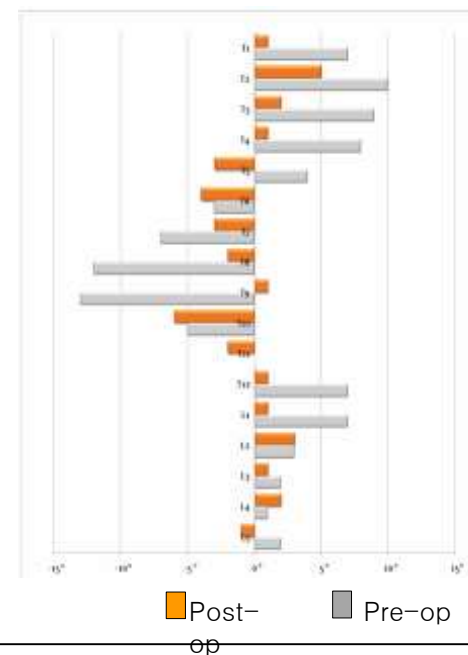




# Spine 3D pre-, post op



Axial Vertebral Rotation



Post-op 3D reconstruction allows 3D control of scoliosis reduction\*

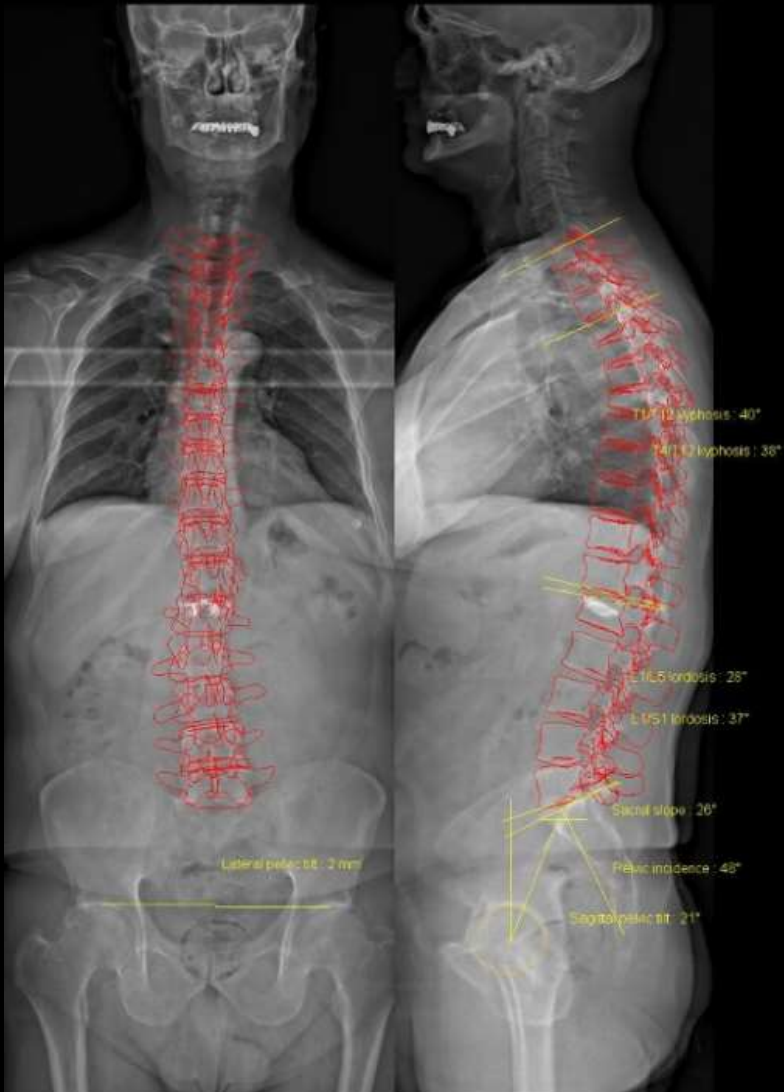
# Vertebral Fracture



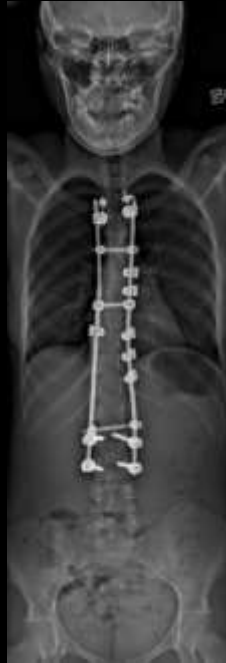








# Paediatric- Spine



Brace



Bending

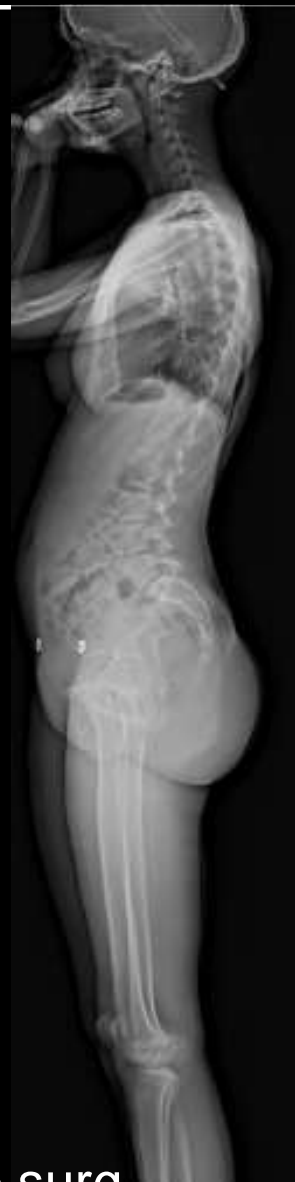
# Adult Cervicals

## Bending & No bending



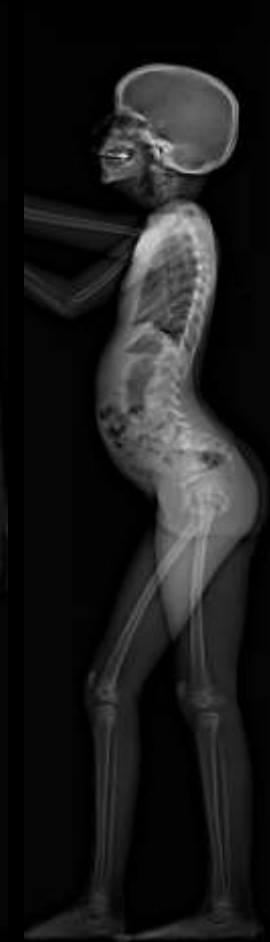


# Full Body

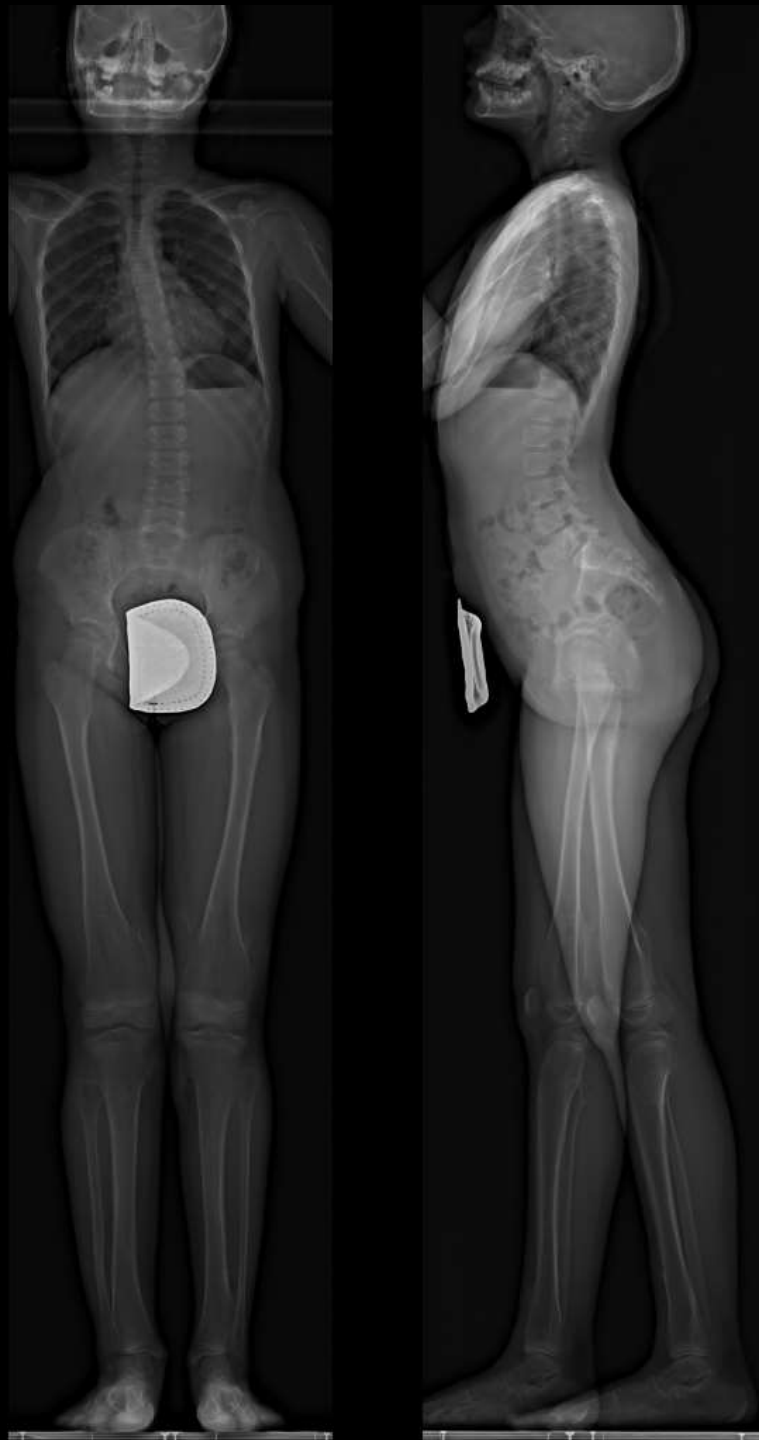


Pre surg

Post surg



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Jan 10 2019 11:52:26  
antero-posterior  
400mA 7173ms  
61.0kV

1.493dGy cm2  
Processed



WW: 6







DX

AP





WW: 65535WL: 32767



# CONCLUSIONS

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- EOS is an innovative study of the skeleton in the upright, particularly the spine and pelvis
- The radiation dose administered to the patient is very low
- Are obtained 2D and 3D images
- The measurement of the bending angles of kiphosis and lordosis, as well as all parameters relating to the sagittal balance are performed automatically.



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