## Bipolar Minimally Invasive Technique



## Early Onset Scoliosis

## Surgical Management

## 3 Techniques:

1- Arthrodesis :
$\rightarrow$ Correction and definitive fixation of the spine (fusion)
2- Fusionless Instrumentation (TGR) :
$\rightarrow$ Correction et stabilisation provisoire de la colonne, en attente d'une arthrodèse
3- Early Minimally Invasive fusionless bipolar technique :
$\rightarrow$ Correction and stabilisation of the spine (delayed fusion)

## Arthrodesis

Developped by Prof Jean Dubousset at Saint Vincent de Paul (1984)

Remains the «Gold Standard» for the surgical treatment of scoliosis for children close to skeletal maturity


Hôpital Saint Vincent de Paul


## Athrodesis

High complication rates reported in the litterature in growing children : 30 à 60\% (*) :

1. Anesthesia
2. Hémorragia
3. Neurology
4. Infectious
5. Reanimation
6. Etc.

*Perioperative complications after surgical correction in neuromuscular scoliosis, Mohamad F, Parent S, Pawelek J, Marks M, Bastrom T, Faro F, Newton P. J Pediatr Orthop. 2007 Jun; 27(4): 392-7

DEFINITIVE SURGERY - STOP GROWTH !

## Fusionless TGR

Early Surgery but waiting for final arthrodesis surgery
Complication rate >50\% (*)

- Bulkiness of implants
- Weak implants (small rod diameters...)
- Weak anchorages to the spine

(*) Watanabe \& All, April 15, Spine 2013, Complications, all = 57\%, Implant dislodgement $=71 \%$ ( $95 \%$ proximal)


## Fusionless Minimally Invasive Technqiue

1/ Instrumentation definitive without fusion
2/ Progressive correction with time
3/ Less aggressive for biology - Shorter surgery


## BIPOLAR TECHNIQUE is based on 40Y clinical Observation Key Principles



Spine is a visco-elastic structure which accomodates to load over time

Traction
Relaxation
Detorsion
Progressive treatment with time
Correction of the spine can be global

No need for intermediate fixation
No need of extreme rigidity


Apex must remain unviolated
Preserve biology and do not burn bridges


Bipolar Anchorages must resist to time
Limit challenging revision


Must hold until skeletal maturity

## Example of a bipolar construct extending to the pelvis

(End of growth view)


## Example, CP Patient, 11Y



Initial
PO
2Y PO (Post RT)

## Example



11ans


Fusionless bipolar technique allows :

- Growth preservation
- Progressive correction of the spine


Initiale 9a


PO


18m PO (RT1)


3a PO (RT2)


Allows a progressive remodelling of bone


Spine progressively ankyloses and creates a stable fused spine after time


2Y Post
H4Sacrum


5y Post H3S2


Progressive ankylosing of spine with time (Scanner)

## But...

- PROMISSING RESULTS


Initial 7Y
5Y PO + 6 Lengthenings

- BUT REQUIRES ITERATIVE SURGERIES
- Annual lengthening surgery -2 to 3 days hospitalization
- Effect of repeated anesthesia and X-Ray Exposure
- Infection risk increase by 24\% for any additional surgery
- Bone Anchorages are highly stressed during extension surgeries
- Mechanical complications are frequent

Remains an heavy treatment for the patients and the parents
Risks +++

- Mechanical
- Neurological
- Infections

NEMOST Growing Domino

## Description

- The desired effect is an elongation of the device following natural growth and daily movements / manipulations while preventing its shrinkage.
- Used passively: growth
- Actively used: External traction
- Avoiding iterative construct elongation surgeries
- CE Mark since July 2013
- 250 + Patients operated since 2016
- Neuromuscular scoliosis
- Syndromic cases



## NEMOST ${ }^{\oplus}$ growing domino

## Automatic lengthening

- Made up of two rods pre-assembled on a double tunnel domino:
- Standard Biocompatible material (TA6V et PEEK)
- MRI, CT Scan compatibility
- Simple mechanism :
- Minimal number of components
- Limited metal / metal contacts
- Reduced overall profile

- Notched rod - Growth « reservoir »
- 50 mm or 80 mm



## Independent clinical study Hôpital Necker - Paris

$75 \%$ spontaneous growth reported

ANSM : DMTCOS/DMTCHIR/LAB/2014-A01043-44-A ClinicalTrial.gov : NCT02266667

NEMOST implanted from 2016 to 2019
20 patients:
$>10$ unilateral constructs $\rightarrow 5$ cases did grow (50\%)
$>10$ bilateral constructs $\rightarrow$ All cases grew (100\%)
$\quad \ddagger$ Recommandation $=$
Bilateral construction is mandatory


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Example 1 (ISA, 7Y)



Exemple 2 (ISA, 10Y)


Initial


PO

$2 Y$ PO


4Y PO

Exemple 2


## Progressive

 correction remainsSpontaneous improvement of the residual deformity

Spontaneous improvement of the pelvic obliquity
 artrodesi: una tecnica innovativa Surgical treatment of newromuscular spine deformity with minimally invasive fusionless surgery, an innovative technique




Figura 5. (A-B) Paz. di anni 11. Grave cifoscoliosi in atrofia muscolare spinale di tipo 2. (C) Operata di osteosintesi mininvasiva senza artrodesi con sistema di auto allungamento della strumentazione. La radiografia in proiezione anteroposteriore postoperatoria (sin) confrontata con quella ad un anno (centro) e a 3 anni (destra). (D) la radiografia in proiezione laterale a distanza di 3 anni. (E) Quadro clinico preoperatorio. (F) Quadro clinico post operatorio. (G) Quadro clinico a 3 anni.

## NEMOST Experience in idiopathic

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