# CRANIOFACIAL DYSOSTOSIS (CROUZON SYNDROME)

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## Learning Objectives

At the end of the lecture student should be able to describe

Clinical features, oral manifestations,

radiographic features,& surgical management of

Craniofacial Dysostosis, Treacher Collins Syndrome,&

Down syndrome

#### Introduction

- Craniosynostosis syndromes constitute a group of conditions, each characterized by premature craniosynostosis occurring in association with a variety of other abnormalities
- Most common of Craniosynostosis syndromes without syndactyly is <u>Crouzon's Disease</u>



- Described in 1912 by Crouzon: as a variation of Craniofacial Dysostosis
- Caused by premature obliteration & ossification of two or more sutures, most often coronal and sagital

#### Clinical features:

- Due to early synostosis of sutures
  Facial deformity observed at birth
- Coronal and sagittal sutures obliterated, fontannels remain open
- Lateral and anteroposterior flattening of acrocranium observed: growth only in vertical axis



- Anteroposterior diameter smaller than transverse diameter: forehead is high & wide. Wide face & hypoplastic maxilla produce psuedoprognathism
- Deviation of nasal septum, narrowed ant nares, wide beaked nose



- Dysplasia of skeleton is caused by malformations of the mesenchyme & ectoderm
- Inherited as autosomal dominant pattern
- Mutation of FGFR- 2 and 3 gene could be responsible for this syndrome



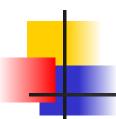
- Hypertelorism, divergent squint, eyelid seem antimongoloid, upper eyelid mimicking "frog face"
- Upper lip shortened, sometimes cleaved
- Progressing optic nerve atrophy due to intracranial hypertension leads to vision impairment



- Hearing impairment: middle ear disorders
- Malocclusion
- Short stature, dark skin
- Headache, convulsions, mental retardation

### Radiographic features:

- Skull, spine, hand radiographs are necessary to confirm diagnosis
- Skull X ray:
- obliterated sutures (mostly sagittal, coronal)
- Shallow eye sockets (exopthalmous clinically)
- Shortened ant cranial fossa
- Underdeveloped lateral nasal sinuses



- Tympanic mem fixed obliquely
- Narrowed ext auditory canals, small pyramids with sclerosis

## Treatment & Prognosis:

- Neurosurgery
- Plastic surgery of face: very effective cosmetic results
- Patient may lead normal life after treatment







- TCS is primarily affects structures developing from 1st branchial arch, but also involves 2nd arch to a minor degree
- TCS is transmitted by an autosomal dominant mode of inheritance
- Incidence : between 0.5 10 cases in 10,000 births

#### Clinical features:



- •Various degree of **hypoplasia** of max, mand, zygomatic process of temporal bone, external & middle ear
- •Notched or colobomas of the lower eyelid,
- Lower eye-lashes are absent
- •Malformation of external ear



Figure 15-23. A, Treacher Collins syndrome. Note the characteristic facial appearance, including downward sloping of the palpebral fissures and colobomas of the lower eyelids. B, Microtia, or underdeveloped ear, and a narrow extension of hair over the preauricular region, known as a "hair lick," are common in patients with Treacher Collins syndrome.



- Hair growth is *Tongue-shaped* in the region of preauricular area (known as "Hair-lick")
- Macrostomia, high palate, cleft palate & malocclusion of teeth
- Facial clefts & skeletal deformities are seen in few individuals
- Characteristic appearance are described as being "Bird like" or "Fish-like"



## Radiography:

- •Underdeveloped or complete agenesis of malar bones and also mandible are seen
- •Clefting may be seen
- •Paranasal sinuses are grossly underdeveloped







•DS is a disease associated with subnormal mentality in which an extremely wide variety of anomalies & functional disorders may occur (cranial & facial deformities)

## **Etiology:**

- Many factors like advanced me
  - Many factors like --- advanced maternal age, & uterine & placental abnormalities, have been regarded as causes of the disease.
  - Recent concept: chromosomal abnormality

#### Three forms of DS:

- 1. One in which there is a typical trisomy 21 with 47 chromosomes (95% cases)
- 2. Another is a translocation type, in which there appears to be 46 chromosomes, although the extrachromosomal material of no 21 is translocated to another chromosome (3% cases)
- 3. Another results from chromosomal mosaicism (2% cases)



of the joints,

•Flat face, large anterior fontanel, open sutures, small slanting eyes with epicanthal folds, eye defects (refractive errors, nystagmus, cataracts etc..); open mouth with frequent prognathism, sexual underdevelopment, cardiac abnormalities & hypermobility

Congenital heart diseases is commonly seen.



#### **Oral manifestations:**

- Hypoplasia of maxilla
- Macroglossia with protrusion of tongue, fissured tongue, open mouth, frequent mouth breathing causes drying & cracking of lips, palatal width is decreased & bifid uvula & cleft palate are seen
- Teeth: delayed eruption of permanent dentition, dental caries, microdontia, enamel hypocalcification, severe PDL destruction



FIGURE 1-18. Macroglossia. Large tongue in a patient with Downsyndrome. (Courtesy of Dr. Sanford Fenton.)

## Summary

 Clinical features, oral manifestations, radiographic features,& surgical management of Craniofacial Dysostosis, Treacher Collins Syndrome,& Down syndrome

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