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PerCorso Endocrinologia Pediatrica 2

Sabato 10 novembre ore 10.30– 12.30

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Quando sospettare e come indagare un ritardo di sviluppo puberale

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mancata comparsa:

- **dell'aumento del volume testicolare** nel maschio
- **dello sviluppo del seno** nella femmina

ad un'età di oltre 2 DS in ritardo rispetto alla età media della popolazione generale

in pratica:

un maschio di età > 14 anni

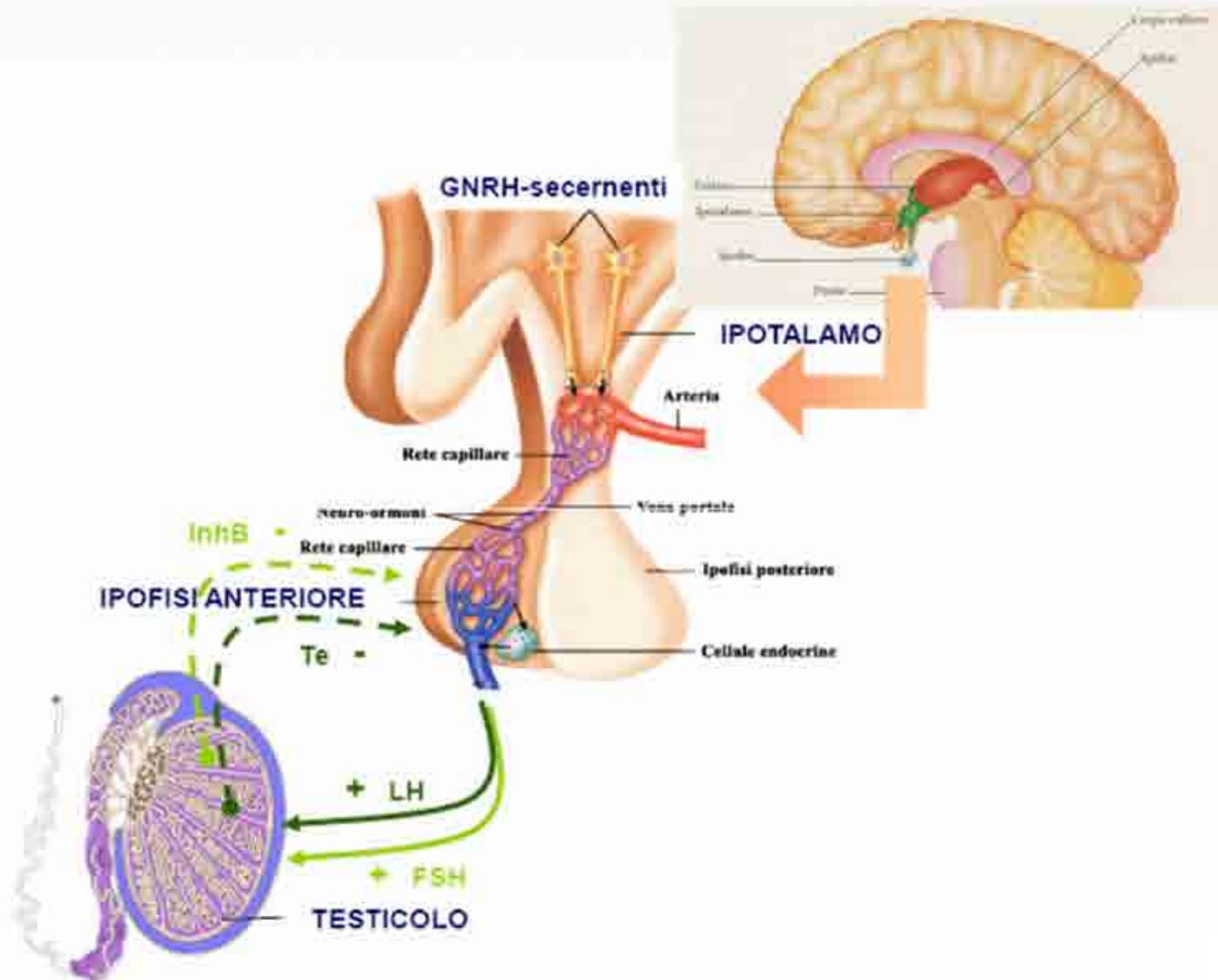
una femmina di età > 13 anni



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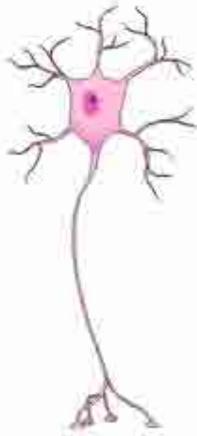
- **Un po' di fisiologia.....**

Rappresentazione schematica asse ipotalamo-ipofisi-gonadi



Secrezione di GnRH

Migrazione



per **GnRH** dal PLACODE OLFATTORIO
all'IPOTALAMO BASALE

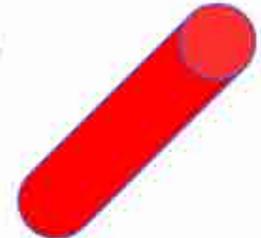


Regolata dal gene **KAL** (cr **X**)

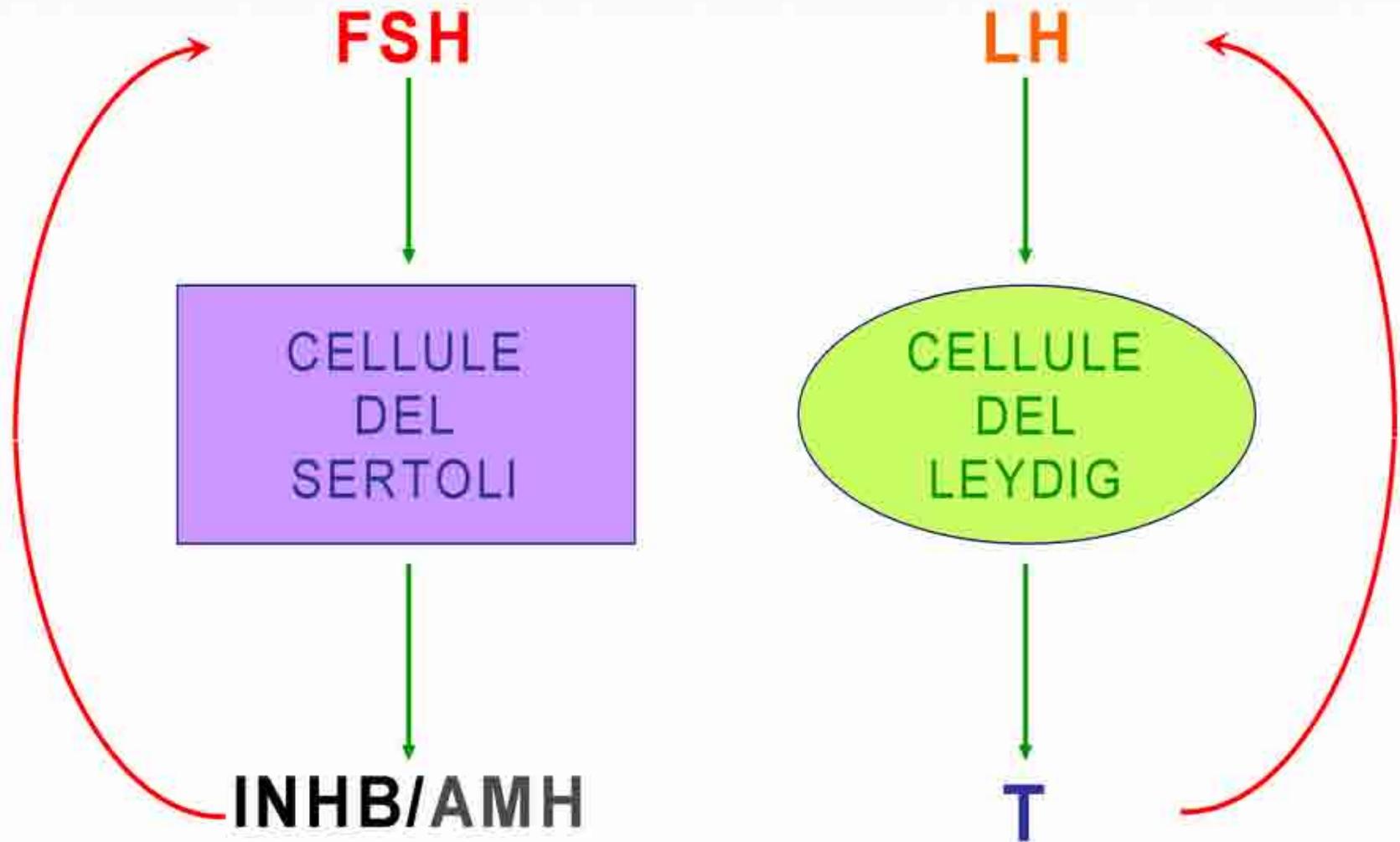
GnRH



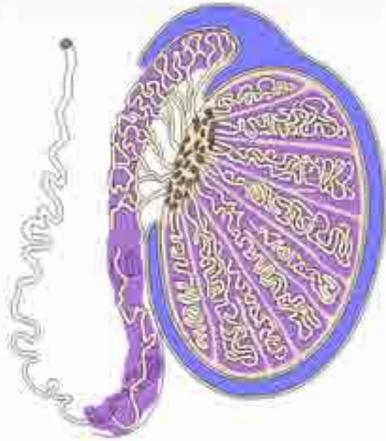
- Secrezione pulsatoria
- $T_{1/2} = 2-4\text{min}$



Funzioni della gonade maschile....



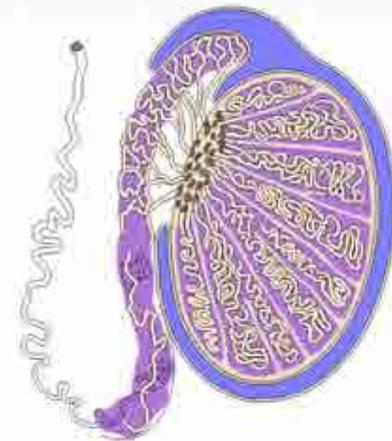
Stadi dello sviluppo testicolare



PREPUBERE



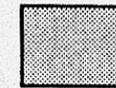
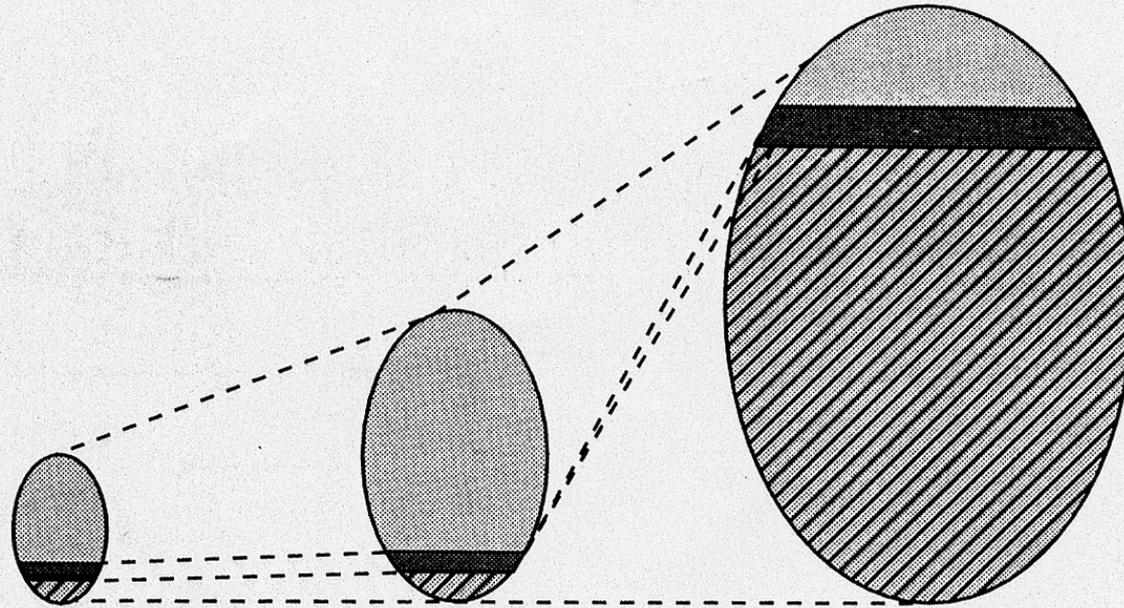
> Cellule del Sertoli



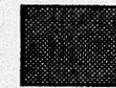
ADULTO



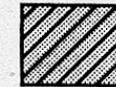
> Cellule germinali



Sertoli cells



Interstitial tissue



Germ cells

0.5 ml

1.5 ml

23 ml

Testicular
volume

Birth

9 years
Prepuberty

Late puberty
Adult



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- E di obiettività clinica.....

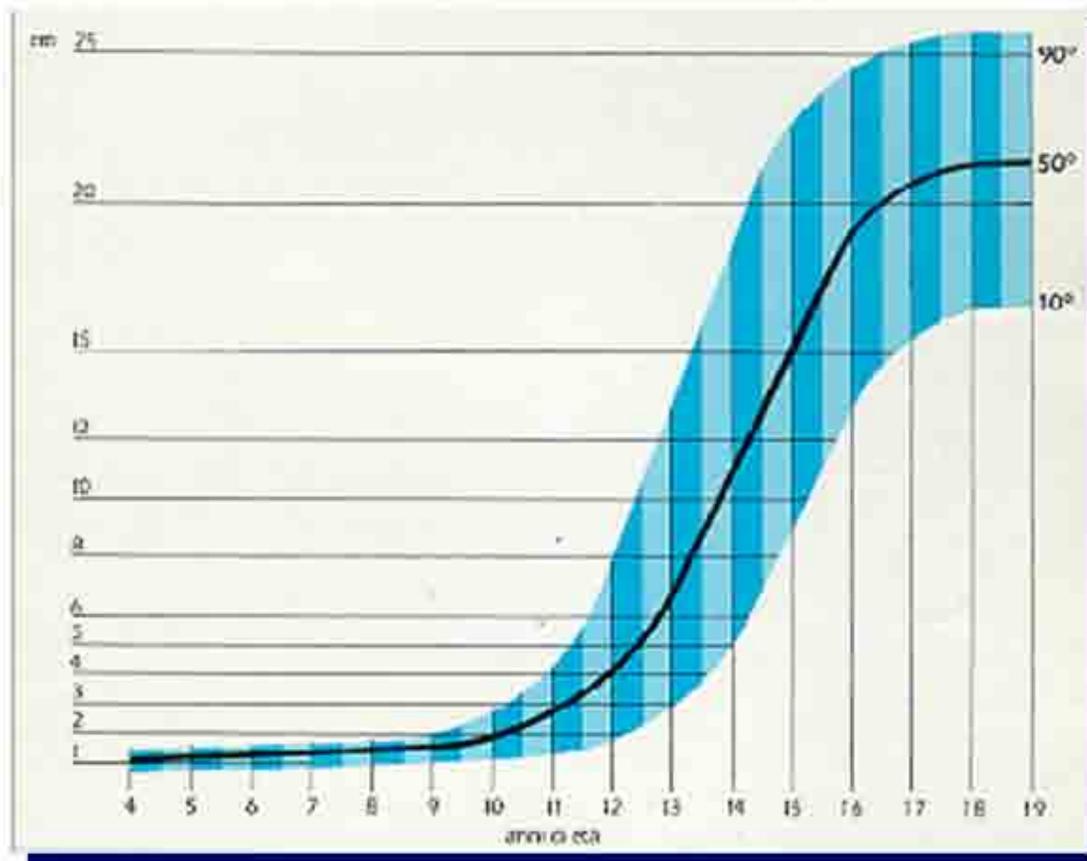
Stadi puberali



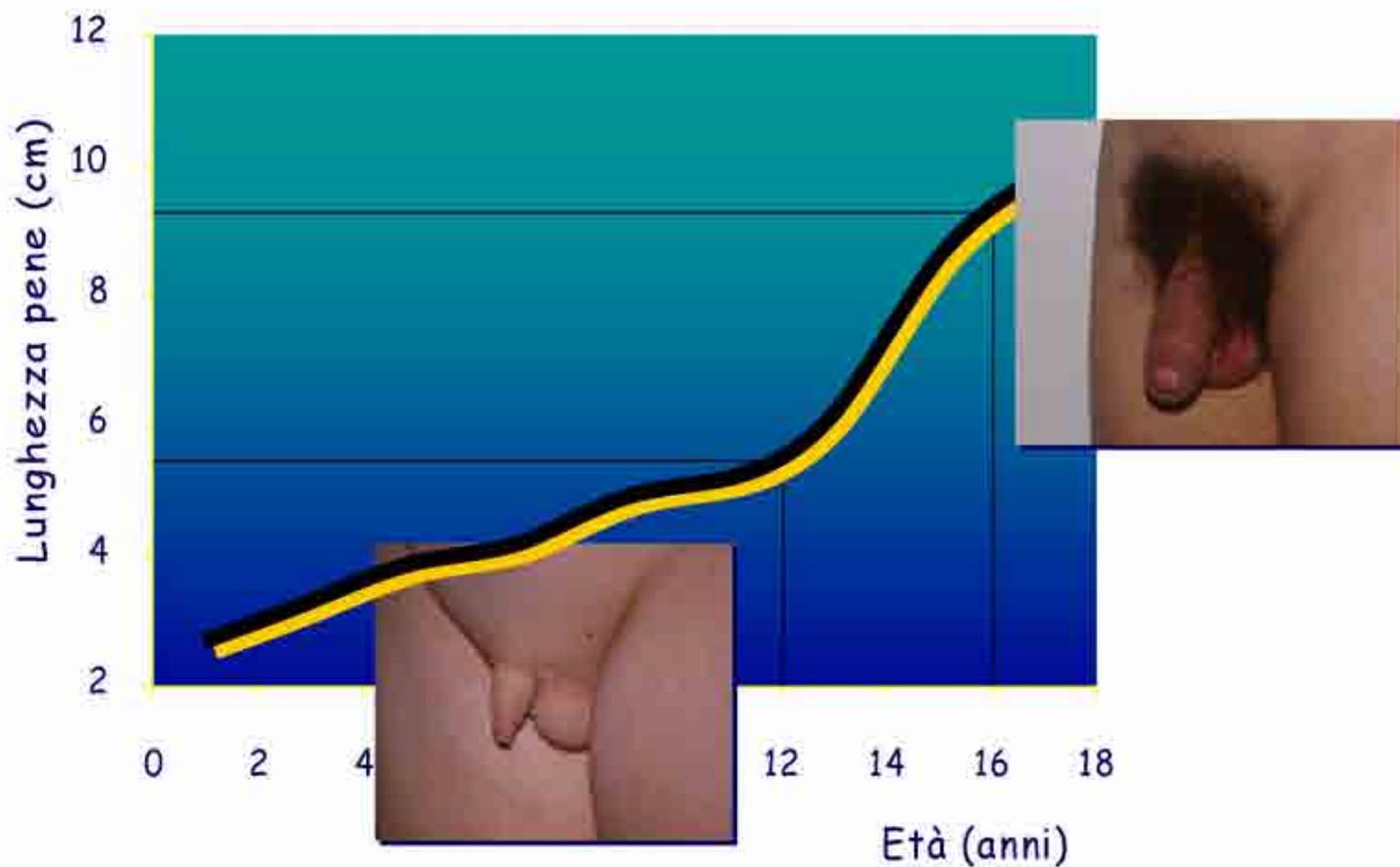
Curva di crescita del volume testicolare

dati orchidometrici

Olanda (van Wieringen '71), Svizzera (Zachmann '74), Svezia (Taranger '76)



Curva di crescita della lunghezza del pene

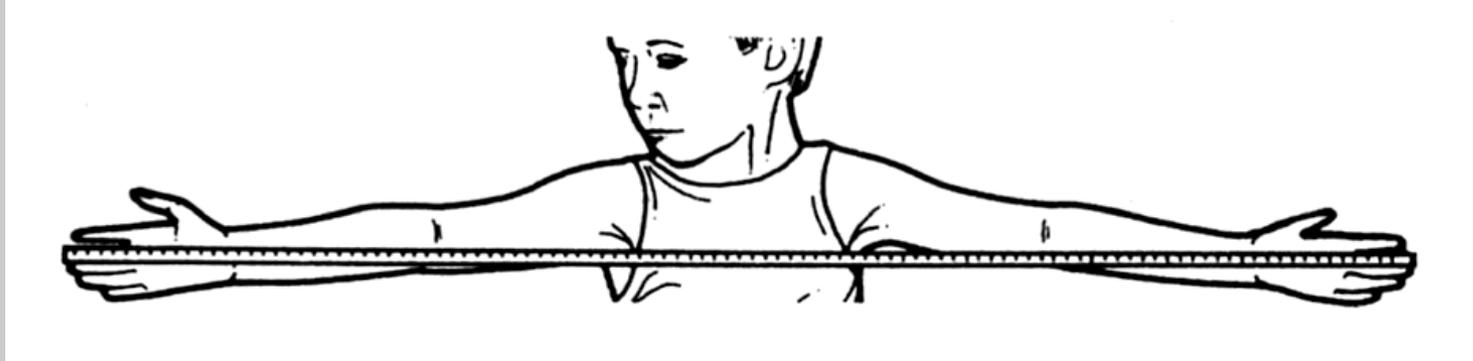




volume testicolare

- nel prepubere: 1-3 ml
- in pubertà: eguale o > 4 ml

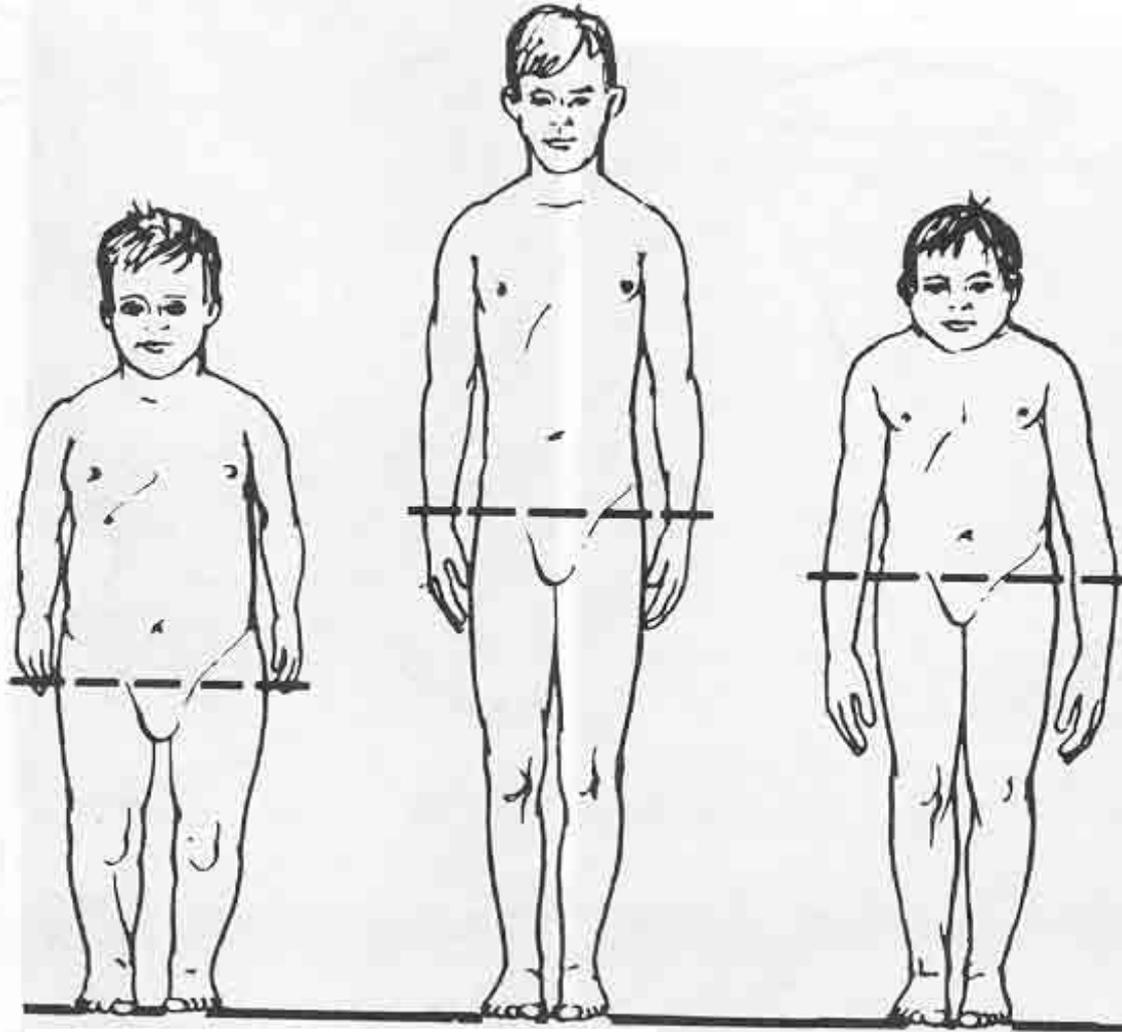
Lunghezza arto superiore totale



Arm span: distanza tra le due estremità del 3° dito, la misurazione verrà effettuata ponendosi anteriormente o posteriormente al soggetto.

Arm span vs Statura

- 1-2 cm < statura <10 aa maschio e <12 aa femmina
- = statura \geq 10 aa maschio e \geq 12 aa femmina
- (*arm span* superiore alla statura di almeno 5 cm e riduzione del rapporto segmento superiore / segmento inferiore)



U/L

1.25

1.00

0.80

Femmine

Inizio tra 8 e 13 anni

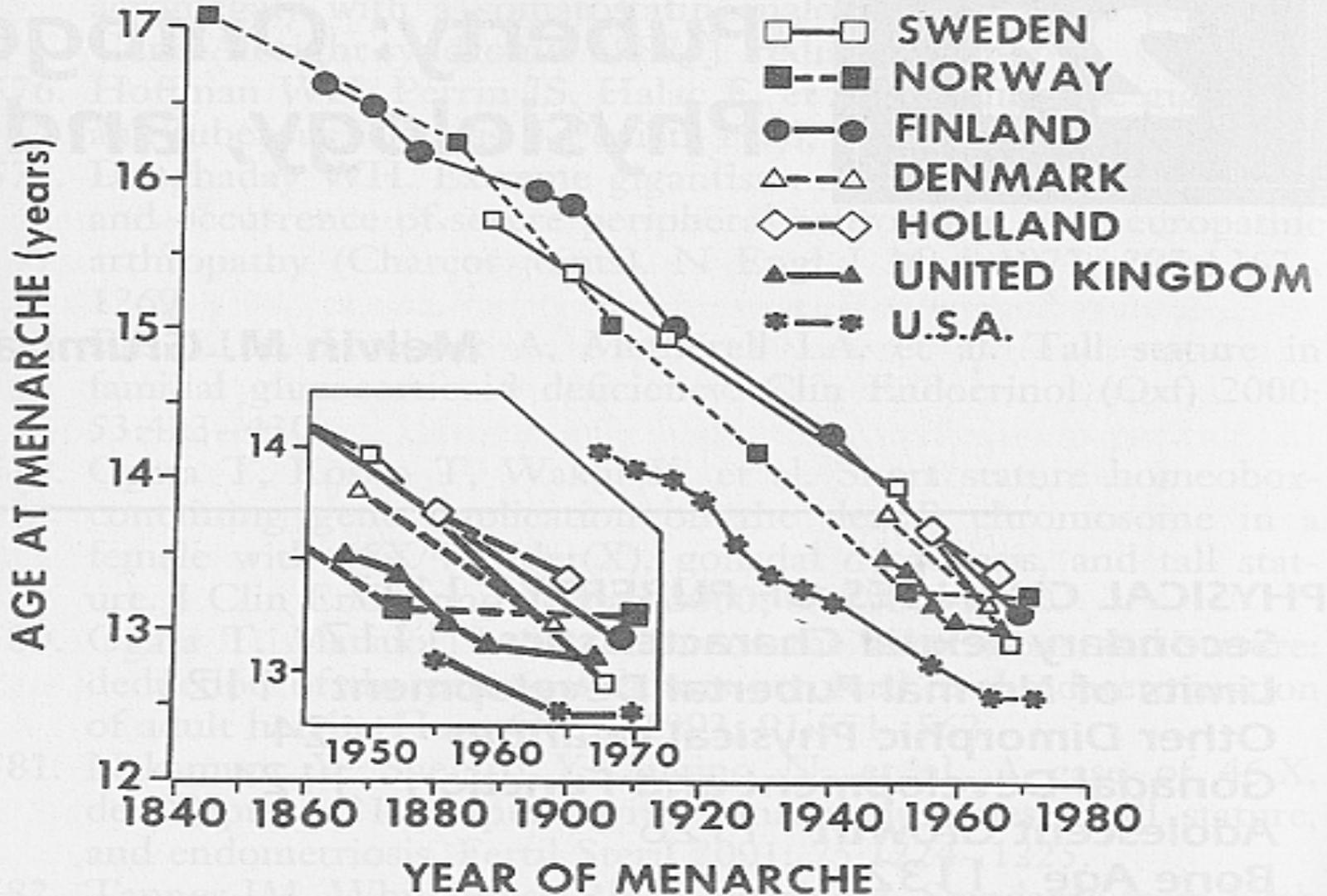
Menarca mediamente dopo 2 anni dal telarca

Spurt puberale B2/B3

Durata complessiva media 4.2 anni

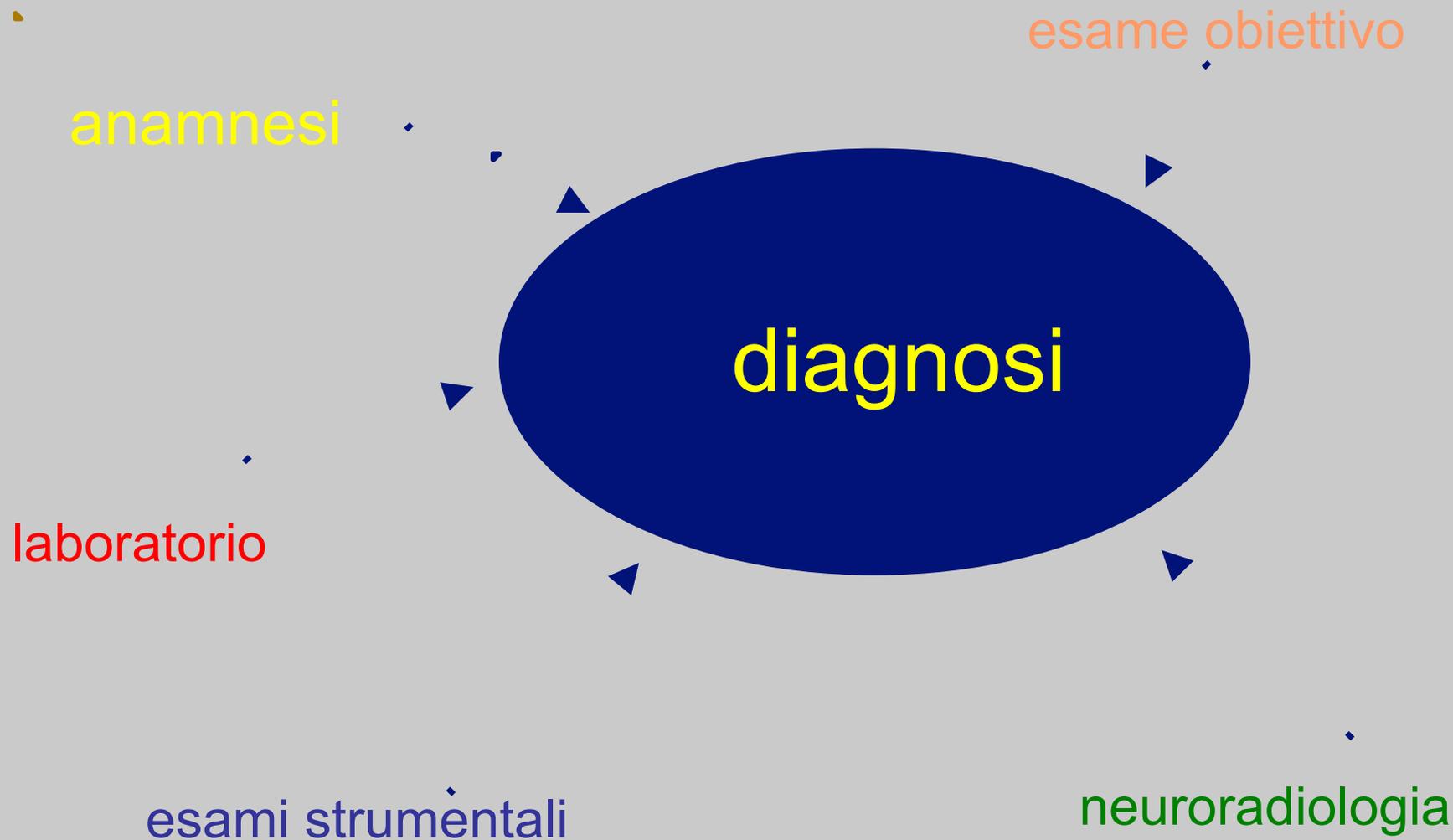
Maschi

- **Inizio tra 9,5 e 14 anni**
- **Spurt puberale G3/G4**
- **Durata complessiva media 4 anni**



Cause di ritardo puberale

- **Ritardo costituzionale di crescita e di maturazione (RCCM)**
- **Ipogonadismo ipogonadotropo funzionale**
Disfunzione ipotalamica transitoria
- **Ipogonadismo ipogonadotropo permanente**
- **Ipogonadismo ipergonadotropo**



Anamnesi

- ✓ età della madre, delle nonne e di eventuali sorelle al momento del menarca
- ✓ epoca della pubertà del padre e di eventuali fratelli e sorelle
- ✓ curva di crescita
- ✓ malattie croniche (eventuale radioterapia e/o chemioterapia)
- ✓ **stress**
- ✓ atteggiamento del ragazzo di fronte al problema
- ✓ **olfatto**

anamnesi

esame obiettivo

diagnosi

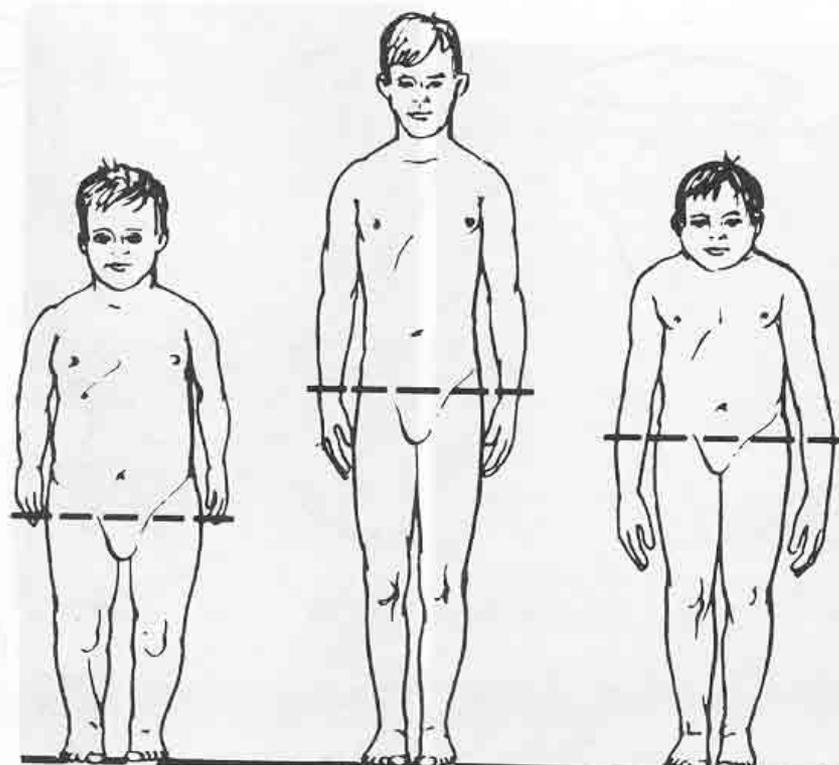
laboratorio

esami strumentali

neuroradiologia

Esame obiettivo

- ✓ statura e peso
- ✓ aspetto armonico o meno (abitus eunucoide, segni sindromici)
- ✓ caratteri sessuali secondari
- ✓ volume testicolare



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Ritardo costituzionale di crescita e di maturazione (RCCM)



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- È la causa più frequente di ritardo della pubertà nel maschio (63%), ma è meno comune nelle femmine (30%)

spesso la **pubertà tarda costituzionale** non è altro che la fase “puberale” del ritardo costituzionale di crescita e di maturazione

Ritardo costituzionale di crescita e di maturazione



**Bassa statura con velocità di crescita normale
con rallentamento prepuberale
(variante normale della crescita)**

Anamnesi familiare positiva per pubertà tarda

Età ossea ritardata ($< - 2$ DS)

Previsione statura definitiva normale

Pubertà tarda

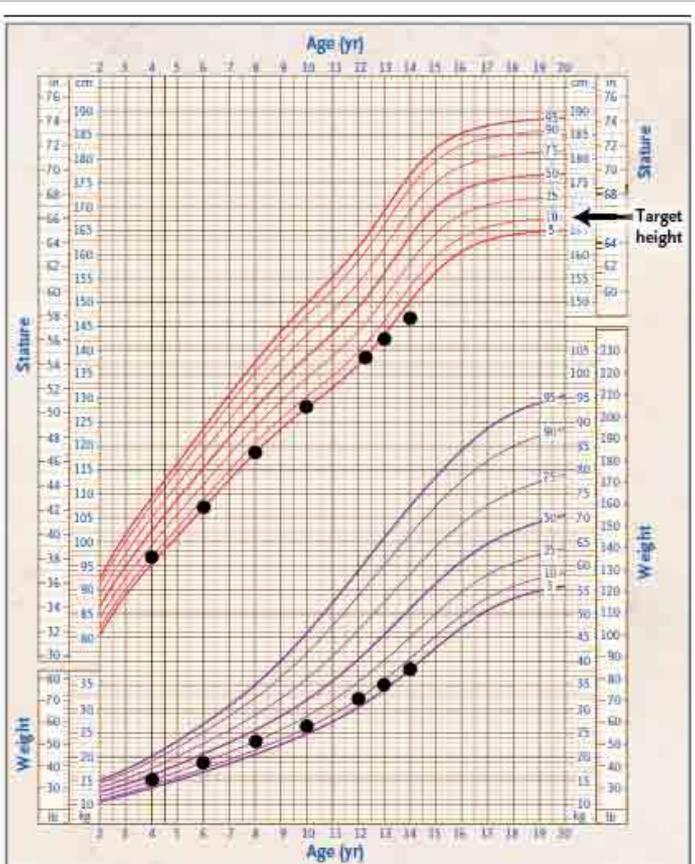


Figure 2. Linear Growth in Delayed Puberty.

In children with delayed puberty (data points), linear growth progresses with a normal preadolescent height velocity (>3 cm per year). Height relative to that of peers (height percentile) may decrease slightly before the usual adolescent age range, but this effect is accentuated when the child with delayed puberty does not undergo a growth spurt in concert with his or her peers. Consequently, the height percentile decreases in the early teenage years. In children with constitutional delay of growth and puberty, a late growth spurt will facilitate subsequent catch-up growth, but adult heights are often slightly shorter than expected on the basis of parental heights.

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Disfunzione ipotalamica transitoria:

alterazione funzionale della secrezione ipotalamica di GnRH
(alterata ciclicità e pulsatilità) dovuta a:

- malattie croniche (es. m. infiammatorie croniche dell'intestino, celiachia)
- anoressia nervosa, bulimia
- ipotiroidismo
- **attività agonistica**
- **stress psicologici ed emotivi**

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FSH- LH

test LHRH
test analogo

testosterone

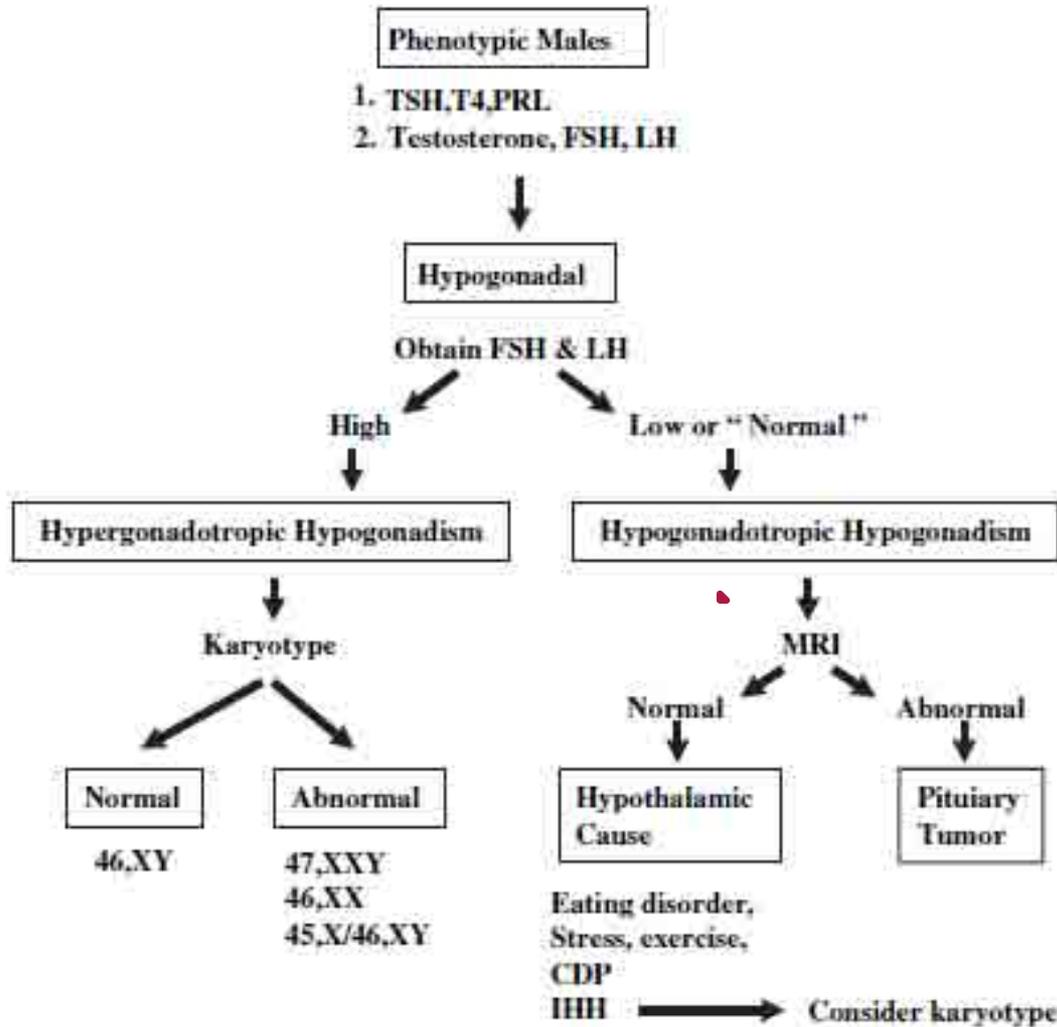
17 beta estradiolo

FT4, TSH

cariotipo

Inibina

Prolattinemia



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Hypogonadotropic Hypogonadism

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**Ma quale livello di
Gonadotropine deve essere
considerato come cut-off nei
vari stadi puberali ?**

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Diagnostic Value of Fluorometric Assays in the Evaluation of Precocious Puberty*

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Pubertal stage	Males			
	n	Chronological age (yr)	Basal LH (IU/L)	Basal FSH (IU/L)
Tanner 1	60	7.3 ± 2.9 ^c (2–11.9) ^b	0.6 ± 0.1 (<0.6 to 0.7)	1.1 ± 0.3 (<1 to 3)
Tanner 2	26	12.5 ± 1.2 (10.5–14.8)	0.9 ± 0.5 (<0.6 to 2.7)	1.7 ± 1 (<1 to 4.4)
Tanner 3	16	14 ± 0.9 (12.3–15)	1.5 ± 0.7 (<0.6 to 3.1)	2.3 ± 1.3 (<1 to 6.3)
Tanner 4–5 ^c	25	15.4 ± 1.5 (13–17.9)	2.2 ± 1.4 (<0.6 to 5.1)	2.8 ± 2 (<1 to 7.9)
Adults	35	27.3 ± 4.7 (23–37)	3.9 ± 1.8 (1.4–9.2)	2.7 ± 2 (<1 to 10.5)

Pubertal stage	Males	
	n	Testosterone (ng/dL)
Tanner 1	56	14.1 ± 0.8 ^a (<14 to 19) ^b
Tanner 2	25	36.8 ± 41.2 (<14 to 154)
Tanner 3	16	274.3 ± 172.4 (22–542)
Tanner 4–5 ^c	25	402.5 ± 182.4 (109–669)
Adults	9	624 ± 146.6 (444–845)

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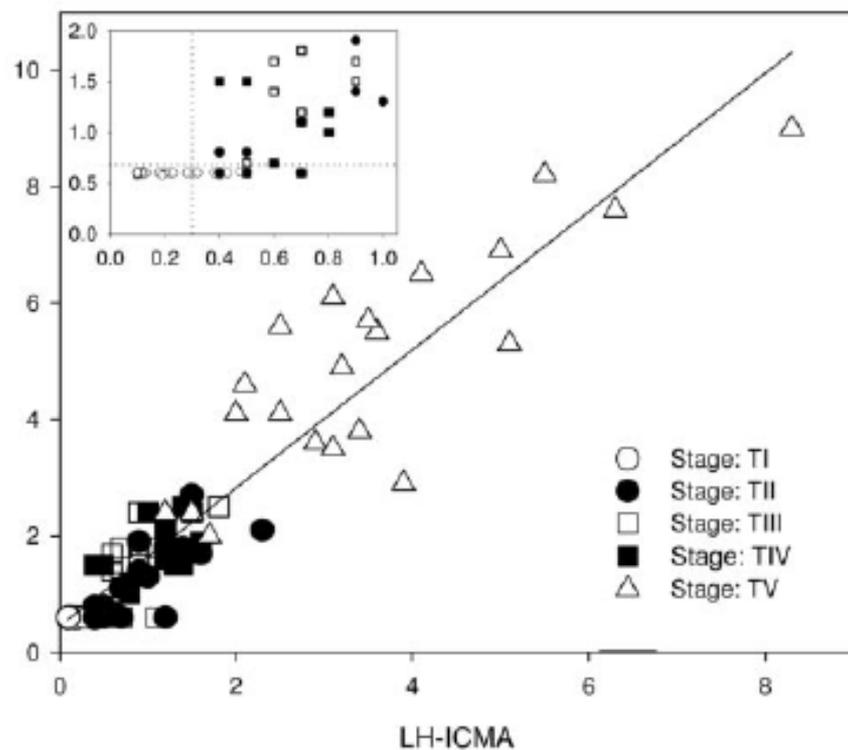
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Pubertal stage	n	Age (yr)	Males				n
			LH (IU/liter)		FSH (IU/liter)		
			ICMA	IFMA	ICMA	IFMA	
TI ₋₁	20	1.6 ± 0.7 (0.6–2.5)	0.1 ± 0.02 (0.1–0.2)	0.6 ± 0.0 ^a (0.6–0.6)	0.2 ± 0.3 (0.1–0.9)	1.0 ± 0.2 ^a (1.0–1.4)	25
TI ₋₂	82	7.1 ± 2.4 (2.7–12.0)	0.1 ± 0.1 (0.1–0.3)	0.6 ± 0.0 ^a (0.6–0.6)	0.3 ± 0.2 (0.1–0.9)	1.1 ± 0.2 ^a (1.1–1.6)	56
TII	17	12.5 ± 1.5 (10.1–14.8)	1.0 ± 0.5 (0.4–2.3)	1.3 ± 0.6 (0.6–2.7)	1.1 ± 0.8 (0.1–2.8)	1.8 ± 1.0 ^a (1.0–4.3)	13
THII	14	13.6 ± 1.1 (11.3–15.0)	0.8 ± 0.3 (0.5–1.8)	1.4 ± 0.5 ^a (0.6–2.5)	1.1 ± 0.8 (0.3–3.0)	2.1 ± 1.2 ^a (1.0–5.5)	12
TIV	16	14.7 ± 8.3 (12.9–16.1)	1.0 ± 0.4 (0.3–1.6)	1.6 ± 0.6 ^a (0.7–2.5)	1.4 ± 1.2 (0.4–5.0)	2.1 ± 1.3 ^a (1.0–5.2)	11
TV	21	22.1 ± 2.8 (18.3–27.0)	3.5 ± 1.7 (1.5–6.3)	4.7 ± 1.9 ^a (2.4–8.2)	2.3 ± 1.5 (0.6–5.0)	3.2 ± 1.7 ^a (1.2–5.7)	28

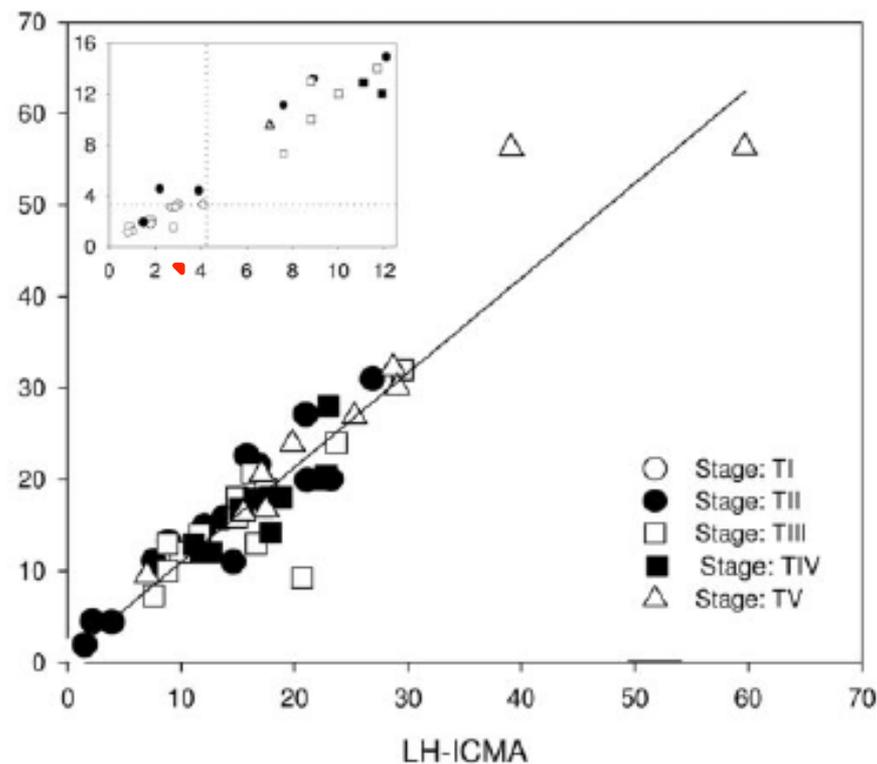
Pubertal stage	n	Males				n
		LH (IU/liter)		FSH (IU/liter)		
		ICMA	IFMA	ICMA	IFMA	
TI ₋₂	10	2.2 ± 1.09 (0.8–4.1)	2.2 ± 0.9 (1.1–3.3)	3.0 ± 4.9 (1.4–10.4)	5.7 ± 2.6 (2.4–10.6)	10
TII	14	13.5 ± 8.0 (1.5–26.9)	15.6 ± 8.7 (1.9–31.0)	2.5 ± 2.8 (0.8–9.2)	3.6 ± 2.4 (1.4–10.2)	10
THII	14	15.6 ± 6.2 (7.6–29.5)	16.1 ± 6.5 (7.3–32.0)	3.1 ± 3.3 (0.7–11.8)	4.2 ± 3.3 (1.1–13.0)	9
TIV	11	17.3 ± 4.3 (11.1–23.0)	17.3 ± 4.7 (12.0–28.0)	3.4 ± 4.1 (1.2–13.2)	4.8 ± 3.1 (1.7–12.0)	9
TV	10	25.9 ± 14.8 (7.0–59.7)	28.9 ± 15.9 (9.5–56.3)	4.9 ± 5.6 (1.0–16.7)	5.3 ± 3.9 (1.8–12.0)	9

A BOYS - BASAL



Overlap (%): IFMA = 11.8%; ICMA = 0.0%

B BOYS - PEAK



Overlap (%): IFMA = 5.9%; ICMA = 17.6%

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Serum luteinizing hormone

At low levels, values obtained on immunochemiluminometric (ICMA) assays are at least 50% lower than those obtained on immunofluorometric (IFMA) assays.²⁴ Values of <0.1 IU per liter are not specific for hypogonadotropic hypogonadism. Values of >0.2 IU per liter on ICMA or >0.6 IU per liter on IFMA are specific but not sensitive for the initiation of central puberty; some adolescents in early puberty have lower values.²⁴ In delayed puberty, elevated values suggest primary hypogonadism. In general, luteinizing hormone is a better marker of pubertal initiation than follicle-stimulating hormone.

Valori normali test GnRH

- prepubertà: picco LH <3-4 mU/ml;
- pubertà: picco LH 5-8 mU/ml

Valori normali del testosterone (nel maschio)

- prepubertà <20 ng/dl
- predittivi di un incipiente inizio della pubertà (12-15 mesi) >20 ng/dl
- adulto: 250-1000 ng/dl

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Distinguishing Constitutional Delay of Growth and Puberty from Isolated Hypogonadotropic Hypogonadism: Critical Appraisal of Available Diagnostic Tests

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Thus, the evidence-based literature regarding the available tests is insufficient to recommend any of them for routine clinical use. Further validation of previously published diagnostic thresholds as well as prospective studies focusing on prepubertal 14- to 15-yr-old adolescents are still needed



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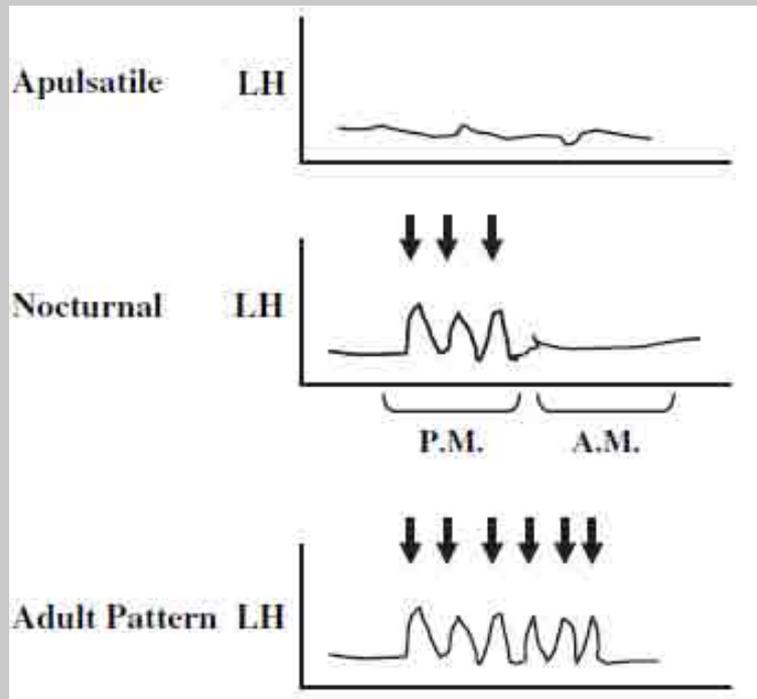
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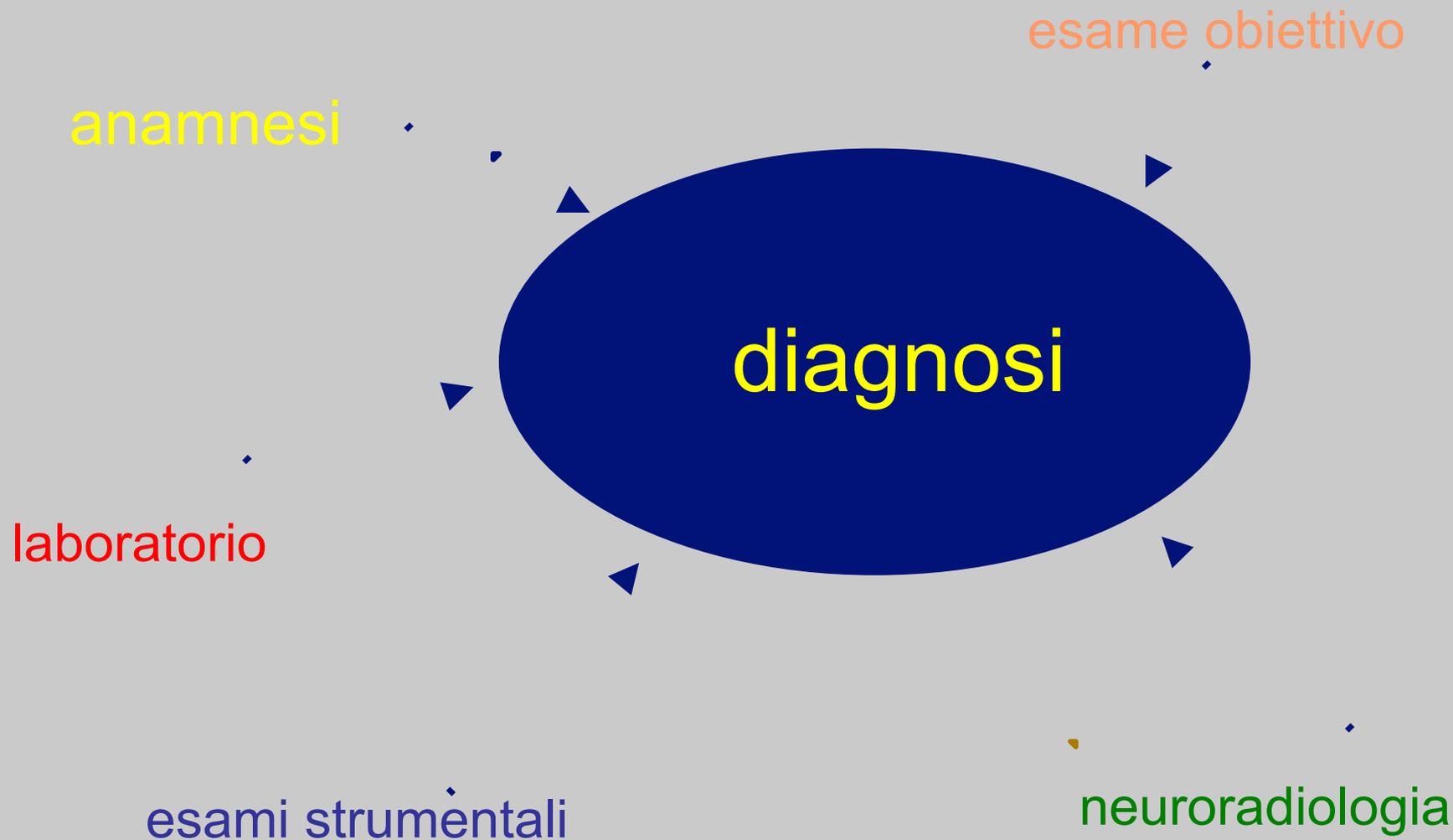
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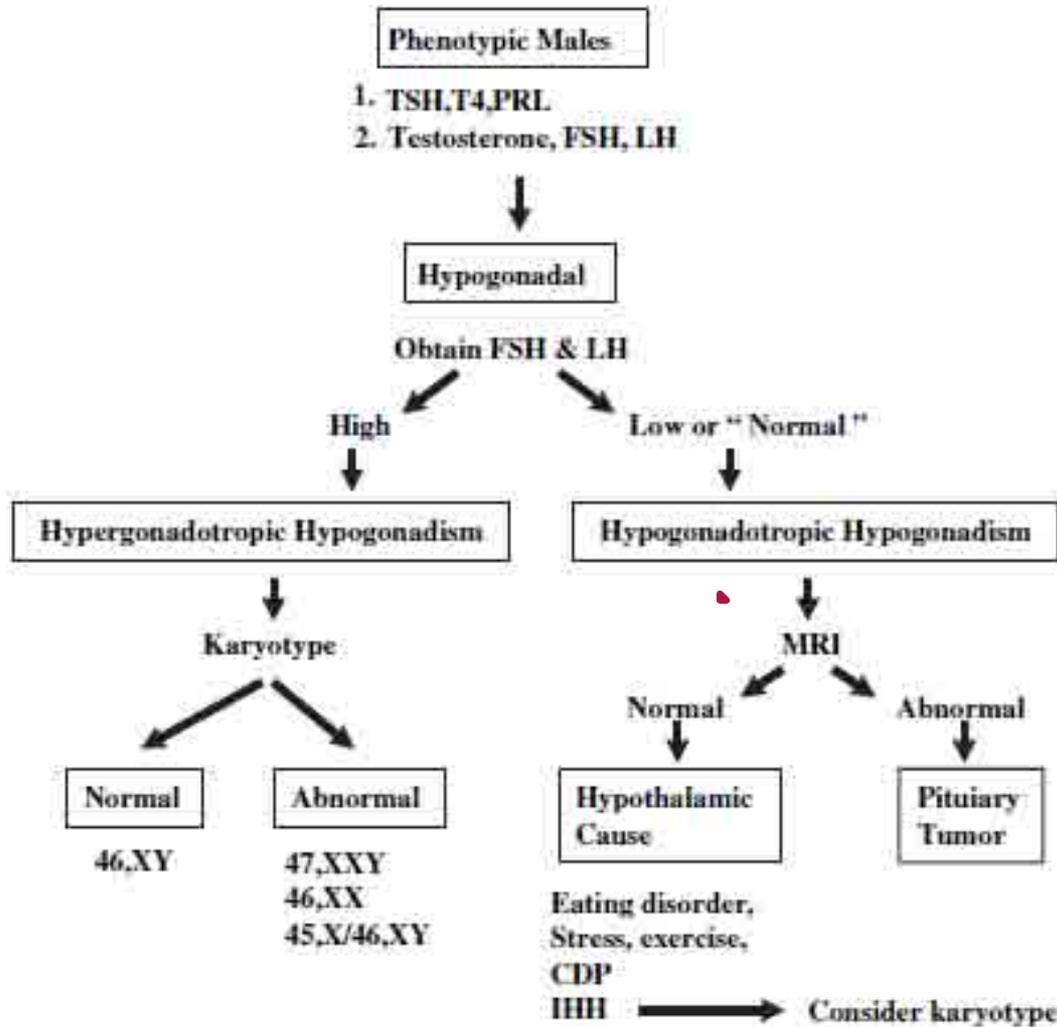


Box 1. Medical conditions associated with hypogonadotropic hypogonadism

Disorders

- Central nervous system (CNS) developmental abnormalities
- Parasitic diseases
- Head trauma
- Crohn's disease
- β -thalassemia/hemoglobinopathies
- Metabolic disorders, such as amino acidopathies and carbohydrate, lipid metabolism, or lysosomal storage disease
- Hemochromatosis
- Malignancy
- Pituitary tumors
- Autoimmune diseases
- Granulomatous disease
- HIV
- Lymphocytic hypophysitis





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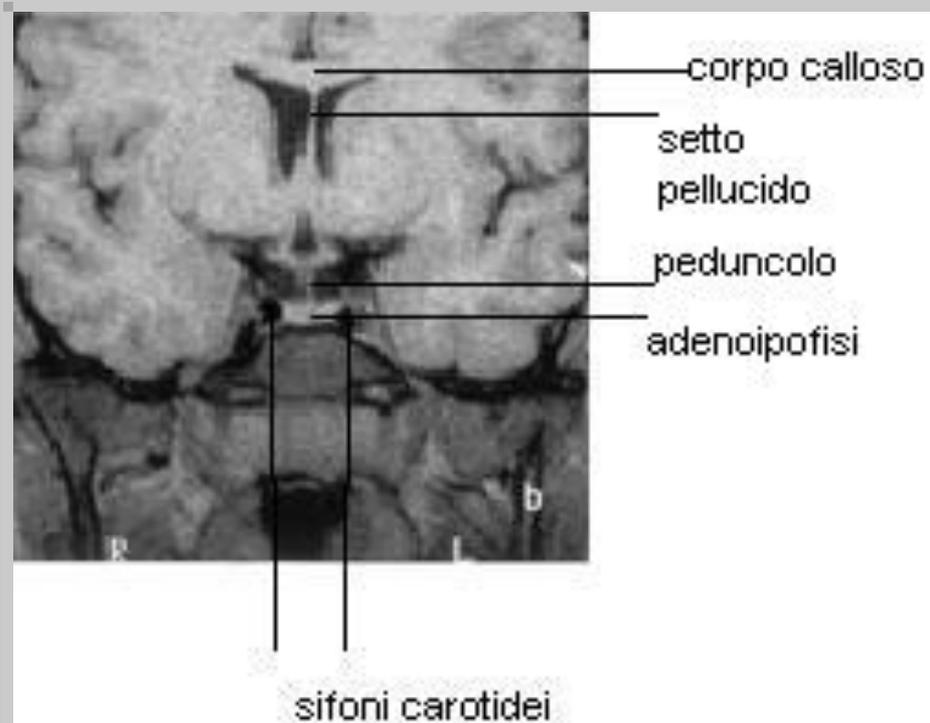
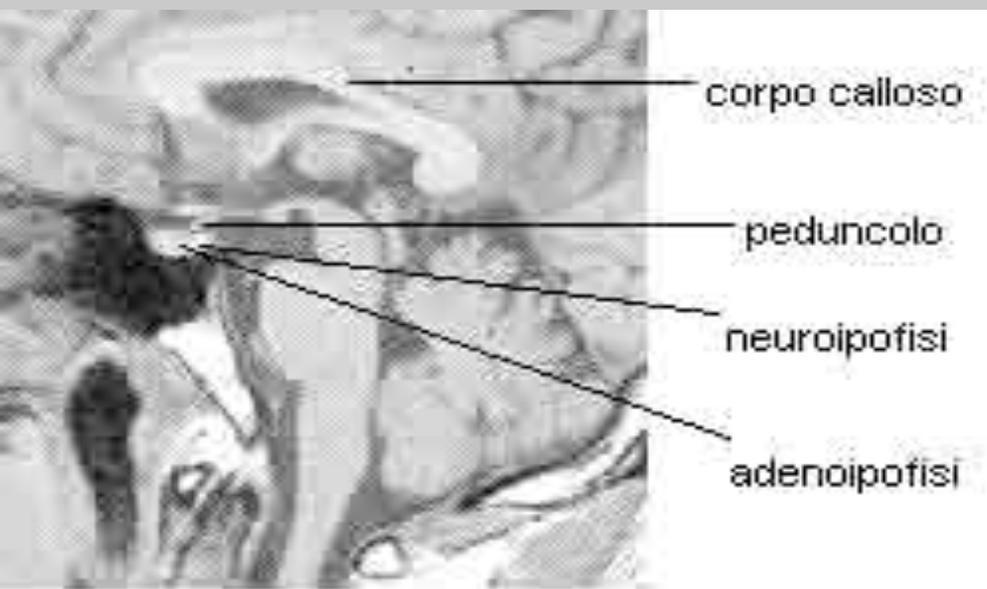
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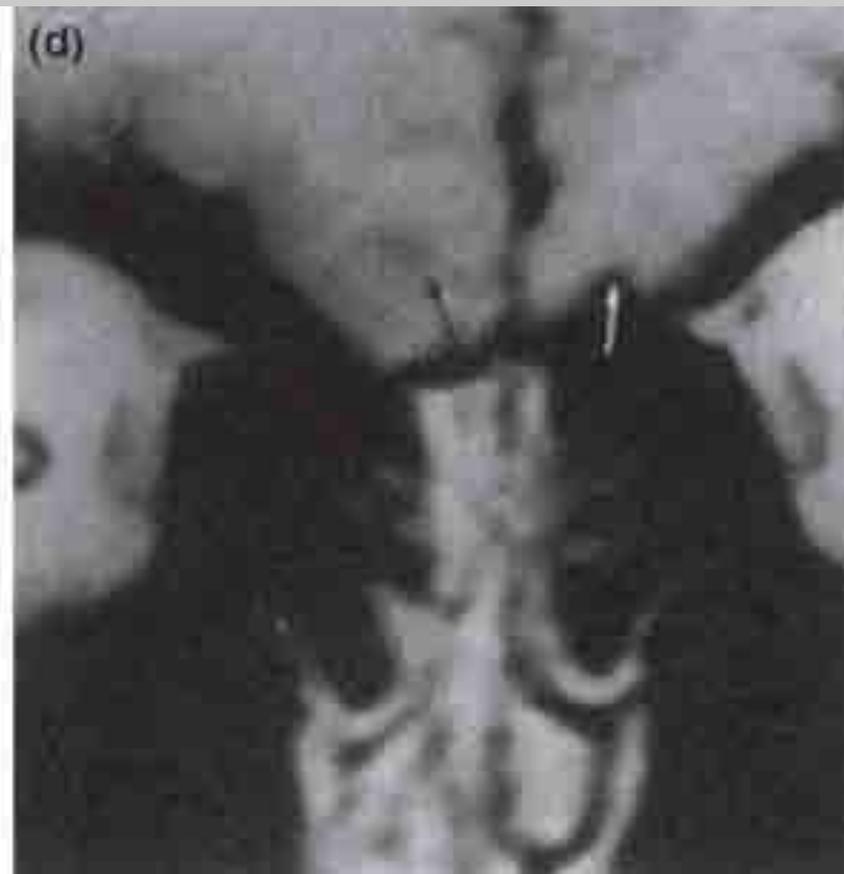
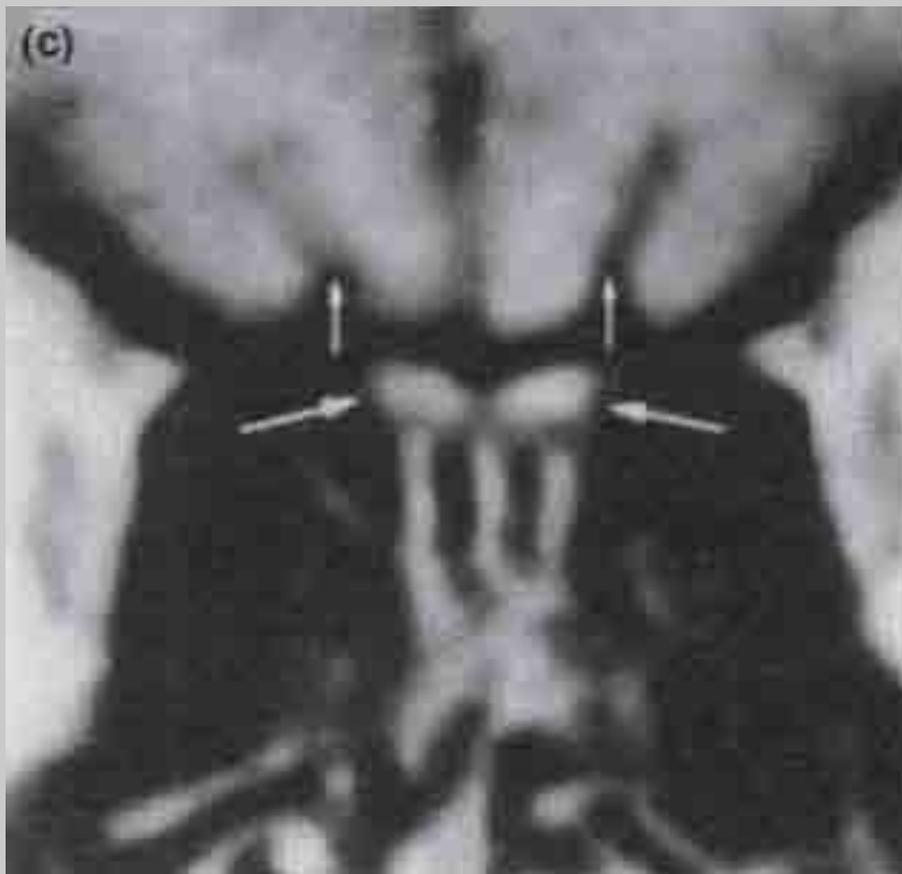
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