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***LE VARIANTI
DELLA PUBERTA'***



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ATTIVITA' ENDOCRINOLOGIA PEDIATRICA CLINICA PEDIATRICA PARMA

CIRCA 3000 VISITE E 500 TEST FUNZIONALI / ANNO

- **Ambulatorio disturbi nutrizionali**
- **Centro regionale diabetologia pediatrica**
- **Anomala crescita staturale 40**
- **Alterazioni della pubertà 20**
- **Tireopatie 15**

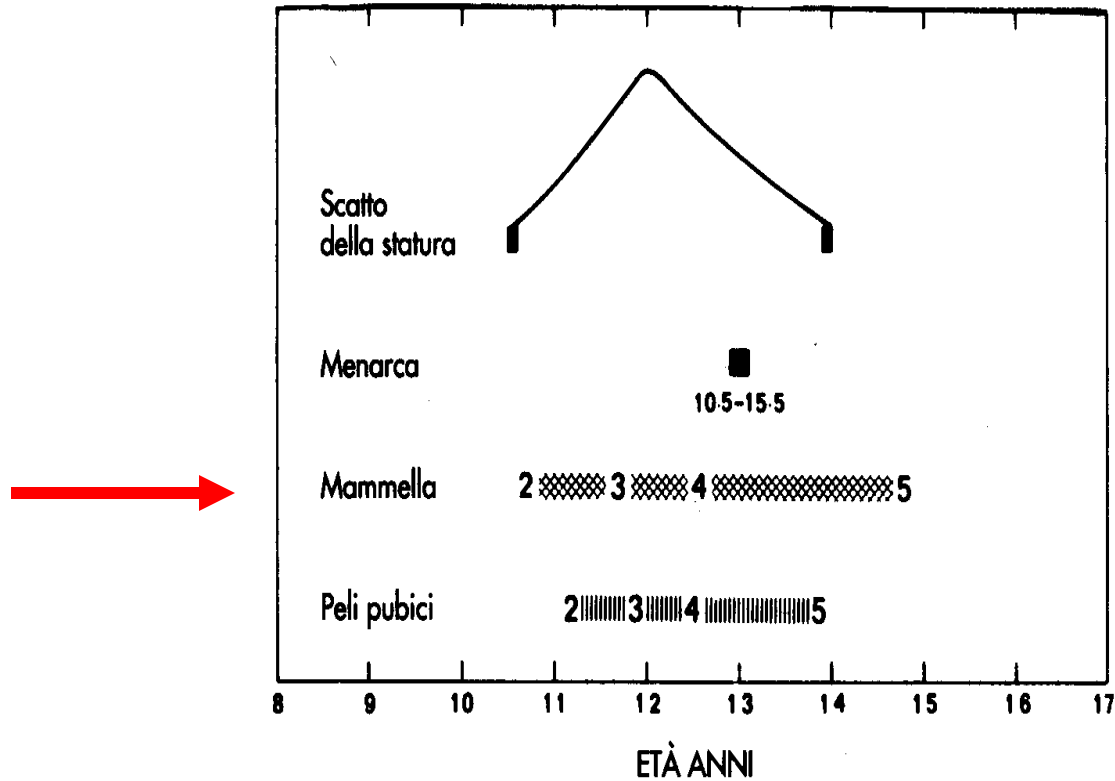


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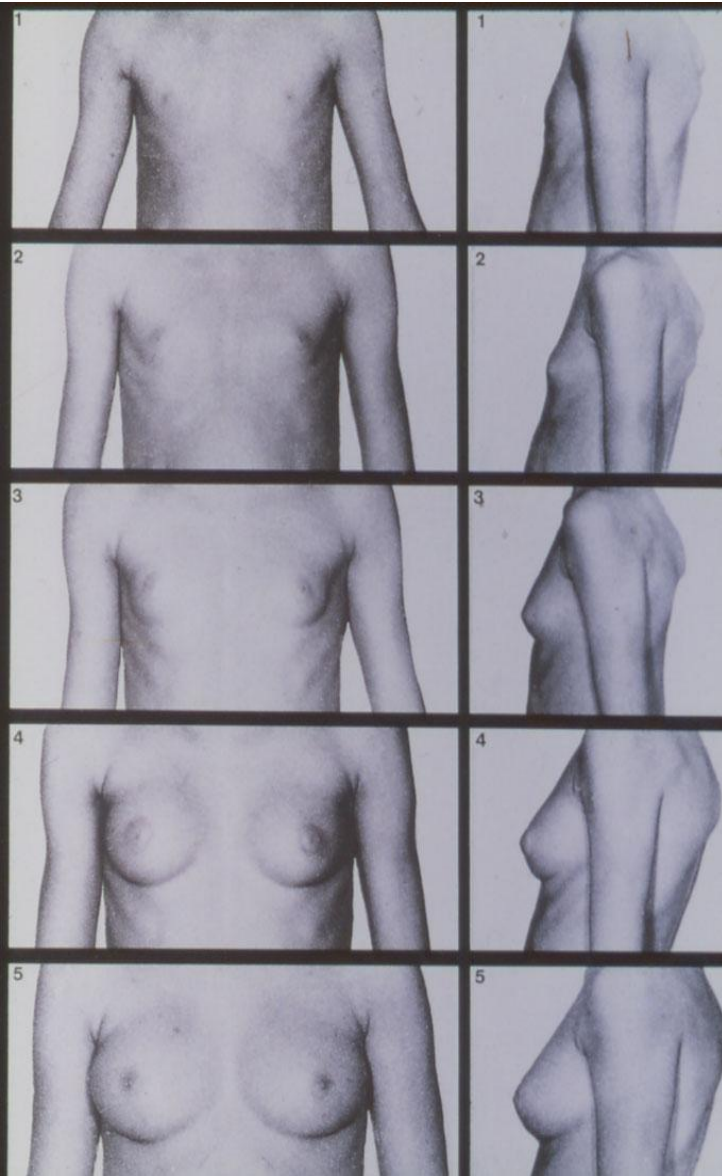
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Stadi puberali nella femmina secondo Tanner et al



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Stadio B1

PREPUBERE

→ *Stadio B2*: 11.1 aa
(range 8.0-13.2 aa)

Stadio B3: 12.1 aa
(range 10.0-14.3 aa)

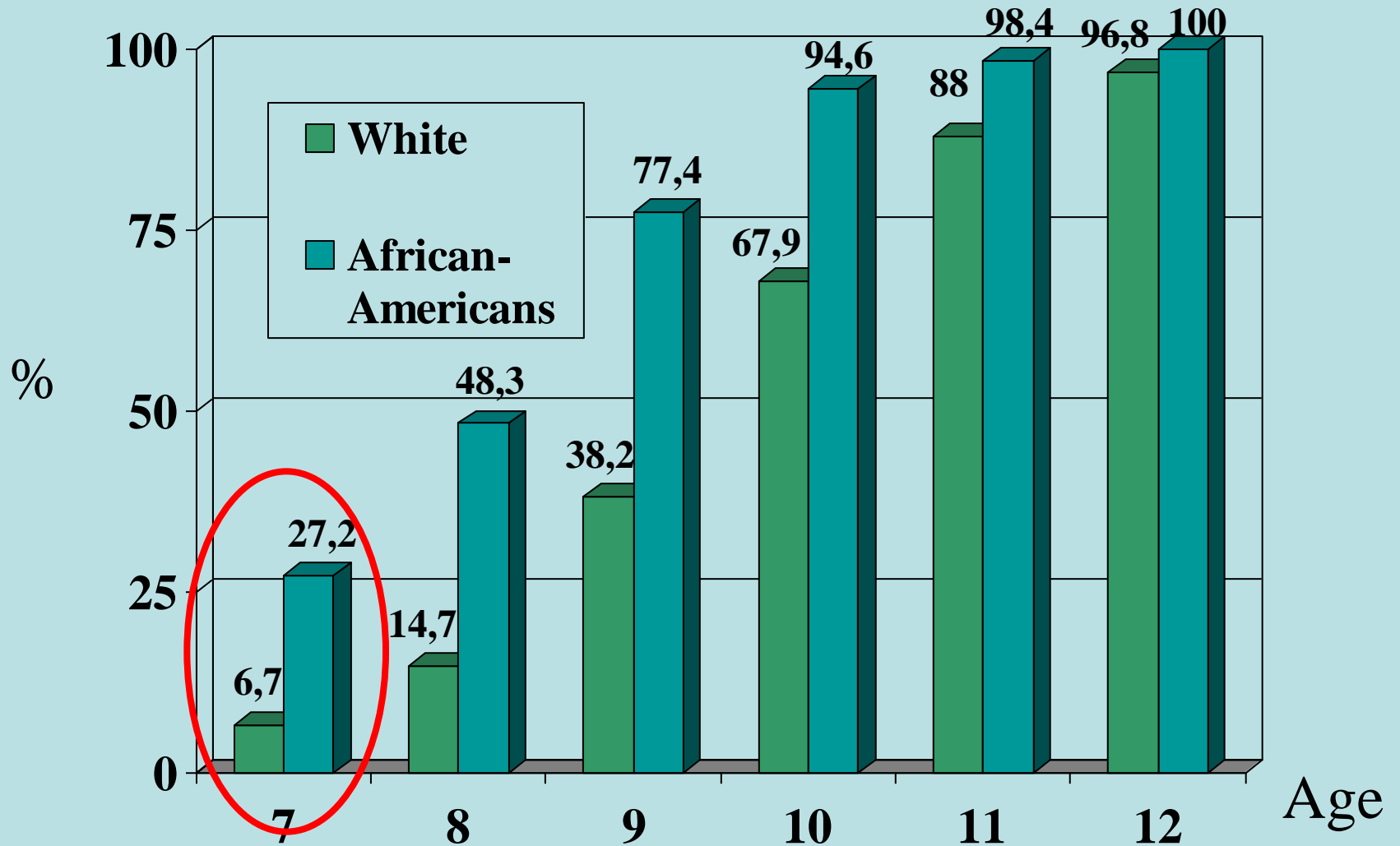
Stadio B4: 13.1 aa
(range 10.8-15.3 aa)

Stadio B5: 15.3 aa
(range 11.8-18.8 aa)

ADULTO

Secular trend

Prevalence of breast and/or pubic hair development at Tanner stage 2 or greater (17,077 girls)



Herman – Giddens ME et al., Pediatrics, 1997

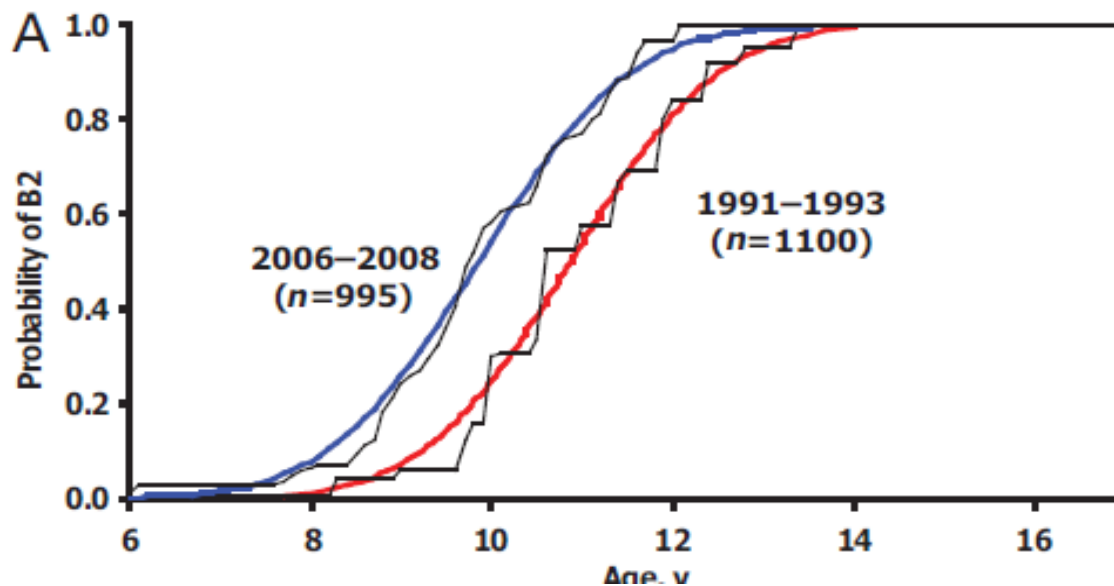
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Recent Decline in Age at Breast Development: The Copenhagen Puberty Study

Lise Aksglaede, Kaspar Sørensen, Jørgen H. Petersen, Niels E. Skakkebaek and

Anders Juul

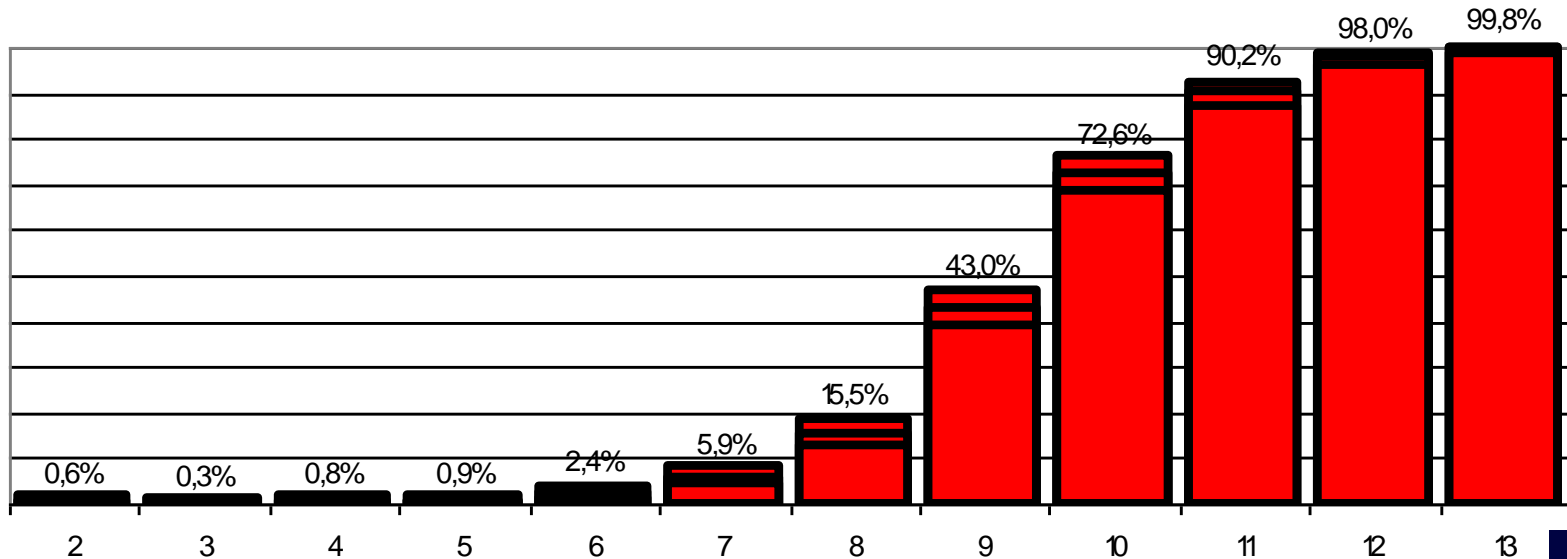
Pediatrics 2009;123:e932



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- 2 DS	media	+ 2 DS
7.09 aa	9.73 aa	12.36 aa

Prevalenza dello sviluppo puberale M stadio ≥ 2 (con IC al 95%)



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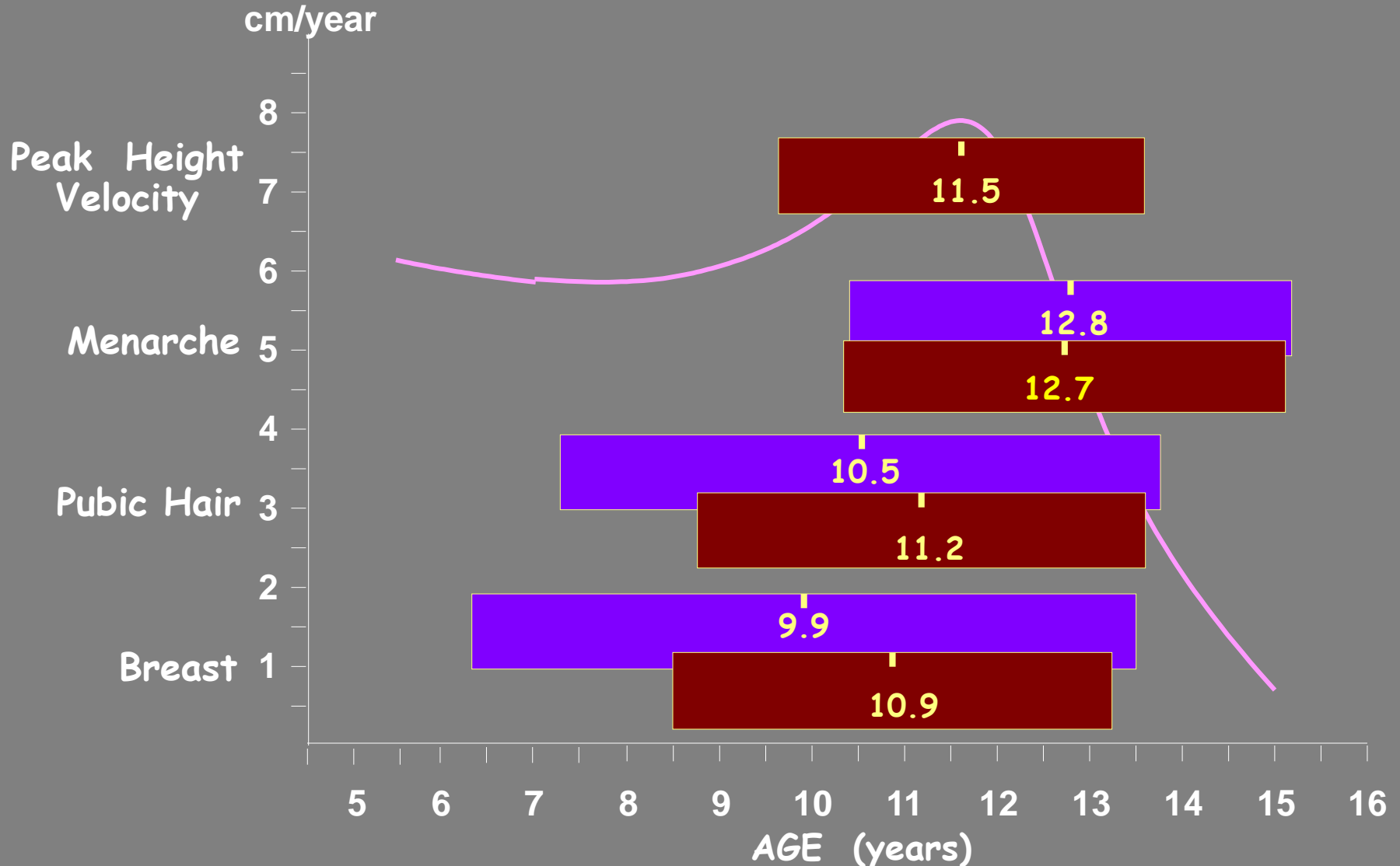
Are Pubertal Changes in Girls Before Age 8 Benign?
 L. Kurt Midyett, Wayne V. Moore and Jill D. Jacobson
Pediatrics 2003;111;47

TABLE 2. Diagnoses in 212 Girls, Between the Ages of 6 and 8, Who Were Referred to Pediatric Endocrine Subspecialists for Signs of Early Puberty

	Breast Development (n = 24)	Pubic Hair Development (n = 83)	Breast and Pubic Hair (n = 105)
Idiopathic	23 (95.80%)	70 (84.40%)	93 (88.55%)
Acanthosis Nigricans/hyperinsulinism	1 (4.20%)	7 (8.40%)	7 (6.70%)
Hypothyroidism	0	3 (3.60%)	1 (0.95%)
Neurofibromatosis type 1	0	0	1 (0.95%)
Growth hormone deficiency	0	1 (1.20%)	1 (0.95%)
Pituitary adenoma	0	0	1 (0.95%)
McCune-Albright syndrome	0	1 (1.20%)	1 (0.95%)
Congenital adrenal hyperplasia	0	1 (1.20%)	0



Comparison between "OLD" (■) & "NEW" (■) data on the Appearance and Sequence of Pubertal Signs in the Female



■ (Herman-Giddens et al Pediatrics 1997)

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Update on Age at Menarche in Italy: Toward the Leveling Off of the Secular Trend

Journal of Adolescent Health 2009

Franco Rigon, M.D.^a, Luigi Bianchin, M.D.^b, Sergio Bemasoni, M.D.^c, Gianni Bona, M.D.^d,
Mauro Bozzola, M.D.^e, Fabio Buzi, M.D.^f, Alessandro Cicognani, M.D.^g, Carlo De Sanctis, M.D.^h,
Vincenzo De Sanctis, M.D.ⁱ, Giorgio Radetti, M.D.^j, Luciano Tatò, M.D.^k, Giorgio Tonini, M.D.^l,
and Egle Perissinotto, Sc.D.^{m,*}

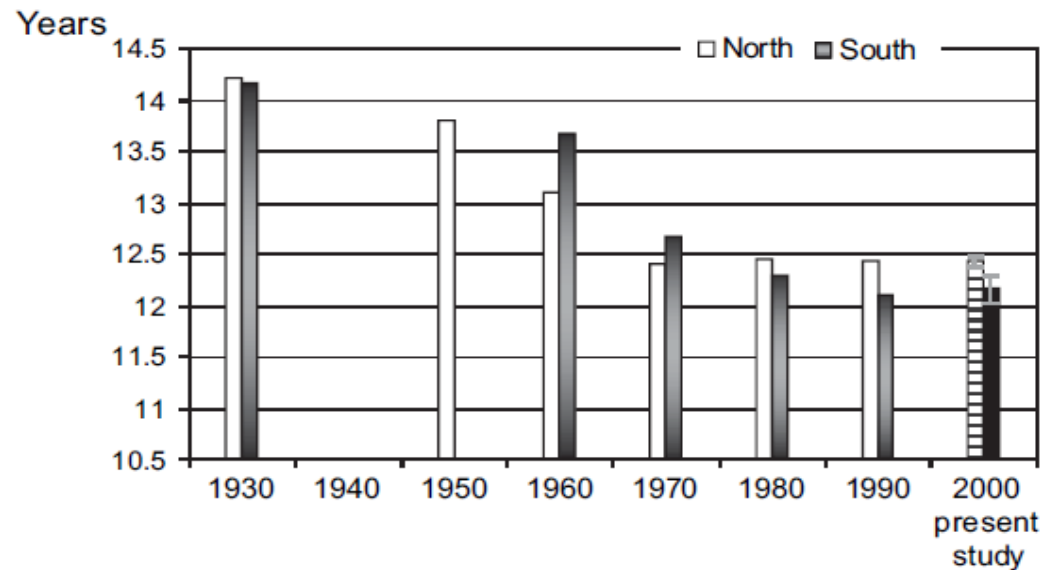


Figure 2. Secular trend for age at menarche in northern and southern Italy. Grey vertical lines represent 95% CI for the results of the present survey.



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Diagnostic Work-Up of 449 Consecutive Girls Who Were Referred to be Evaluated for Precocious Puberty

J Clin Endocrinol Metab 96: 1393–1401, 2011

Signe Sloth Mogensen, Lise Aksglaede, Annette Mouritsen, Kaspar Sørensen, Katharina M. Main, Peter Gideon, and Anders Juul

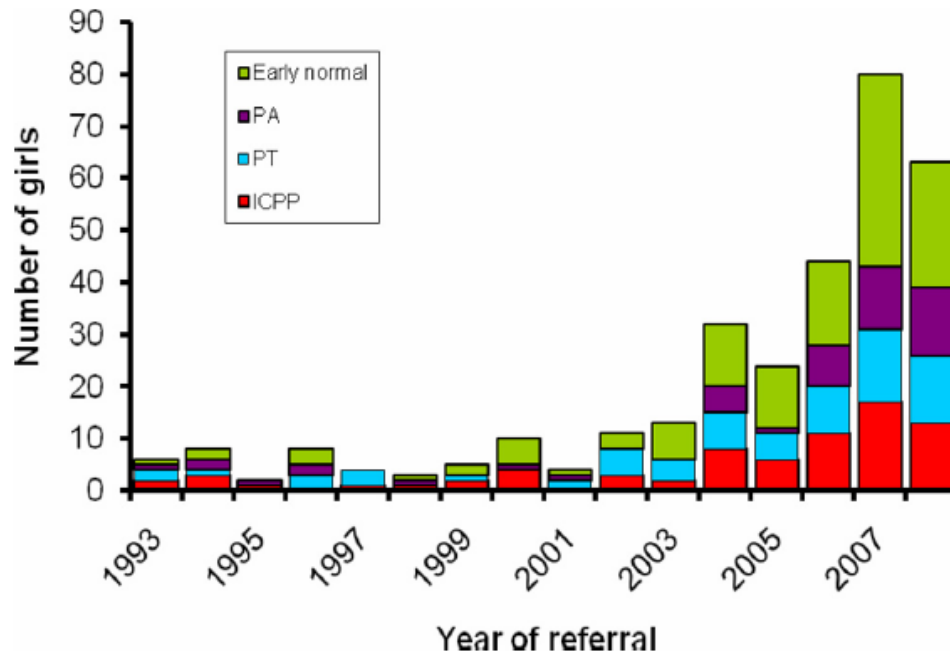


FIG. 2. Number of girls per year diagnosed with ENV puberty, PA, PT, and ICPP according to year of referral (1993–2008) in a single tertiary pediatric endocrine center.



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Weight Status in Young Girls and the Onset of Puberty

Pediatrics 2007

Joyce M. Lee, MD, MPH^{a,b}, Danielle Appugliese, MPH^c, Niko Kaciroti, PhD^d, Robert F. Corwyn, PhD^e, Robert H. Bradley, PhD^e, Julie C. Lumeng, MD^{d,f}

TABLE 1 Descriptives and Bivariate Comparisons for the Sample According to Puberty Status at Grade 4

Variable	Total (n = 354)	Earlier Puberty (Tanner Stage ≥ 2 ; n = 168)	Later Puberty (Tanner Stage < 2 ; n = 186)	P
Age, mean (SD), y	9.6 (0.1)	9.6 (0.1)	9.6 (0.1)	.36
Race, n (%)				.002
White	291 (82.2)	127 (75.6)	164 (88.2)	—
Nonwhite	63 (17.8)	41 (24.4)	22 (11.8)	—
Maternal education, mean (SD), y	14.6 (2.3)	14.3 (2.2)	14.8 (2.5)	.03
ITN ratio, mean (SD)	3.7 (3.1)	3.5 (3.2)	3.9 (3.2)	.21
Age of maternal menarche, mean (SD), y	12.7 (1.5)	12.5 (1.4)	12.9 (1.5)	.01
Weight status, n (%)				
Normal weight (BMI < 85 th percentile)	257 (72.6)	102 (60.7)	155 (83.3)	$< .0001$
At risk for overweight (85th \leq BMI < 95 th percentile)	52 (16.8)	30 (22.7)	22 (12.4)	.02
Overweight (BMI ≥ 95 th percentile)	45 (12.7)	36 (21.4)	9 (4.8)	$< .0001$



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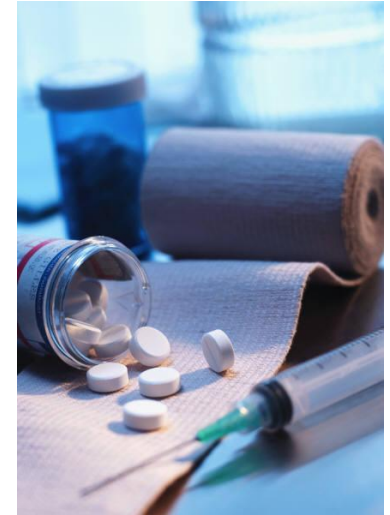
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	Tributyltin		Water
	Benomyl/carbendazium		
	Vinclazolin		
	Malathion	Insecticides	Foods: fruit/veg
	Carbaryl		
	DDT (and metabolites)		
	DDE, DDD)		
	Aldrin		
Industrial chemicals	<u>Bisphenol A</u>	Plastics Polystyrene	Plastic items Drinks Foods: packaging
	PCBs	Electrical: waste byproducts	Foods: fish/meat, dairy items
	Alkylphenols	Detergents Emulsifiers Fertilisers	Household items Water Foods: fish
	<u>Phthalates esters</u>	Plastics	Plastic items Drinks Foods: packaging
	Natural plant compounds	Phytoestrogens, eg genistein, coumestrol	Soya Legumes/ beans



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*Dove si trovano
gli ftalati?*



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Identification of Phthalate Esters in the Serum of Young Puerto Rican Girls with Premature Breast Development

Environ Health Perspect 2000

Ivelisse Colón,¹ Doris Caro,¹ Carlos J. Bourdony,^{2,3} and Osvaldo Rosario¹



Figure 1. Twenty-three-month-old Puerto Rican girl with premature breast development (thelarche).

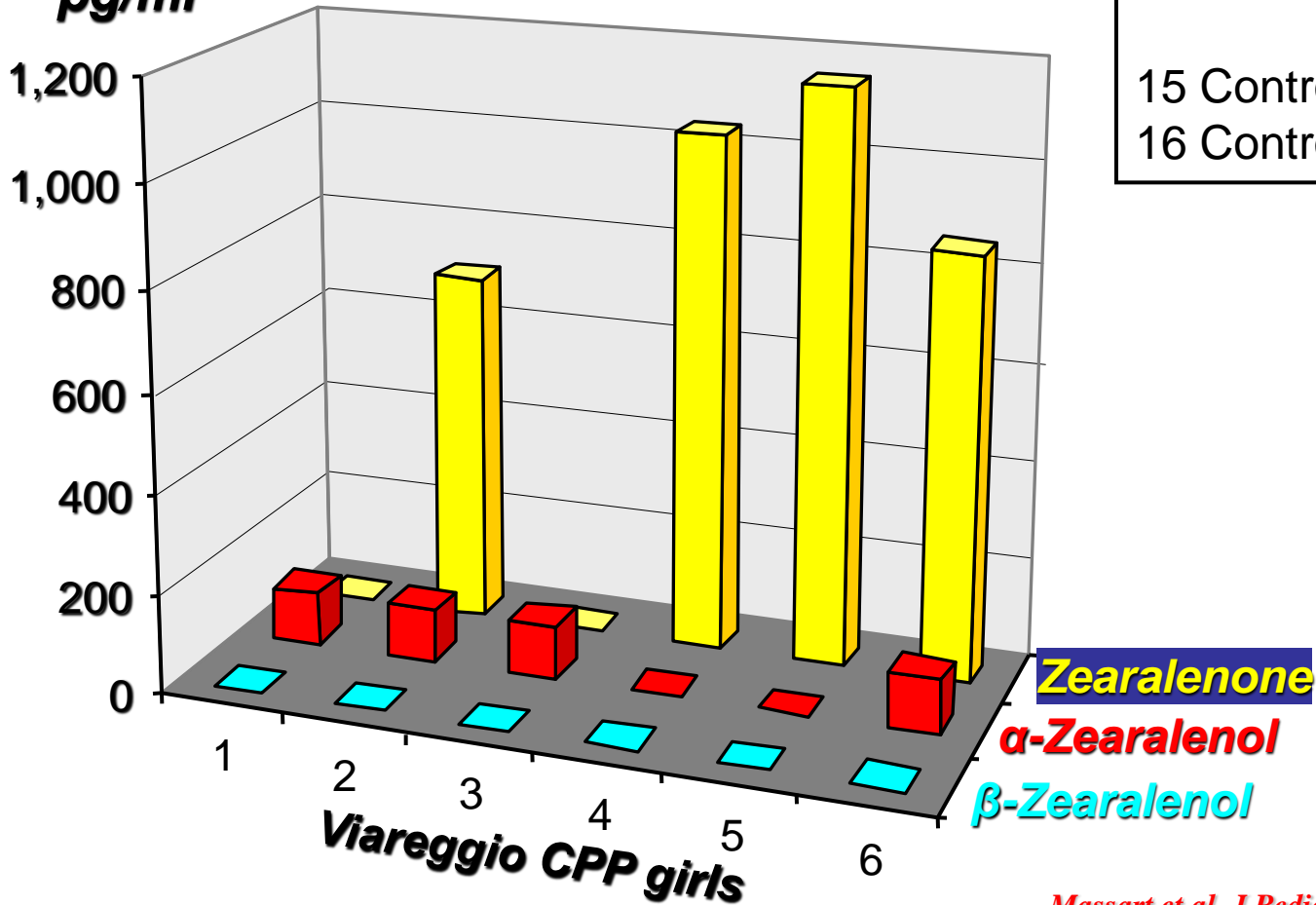
Phthalate esters were consistently detected at significant concentration levels (ranging from tens of parts per billion to units of parts per million) in 28 of 41 (68%) serum samples obtained from the thelarche patients.



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Mycoestrogens are only HPLC-detected in 6 CPP girls from Viareggio area

Serum levels at CPP diagnosis
pg/ml



17 CPP from Viareggio area
15 CPP not from Viareggio
vs.
15 Controls from Viareggio
16 Controls not from Viareggio

Zearalenone
 α -Zearalenol
 β -Zearalenol



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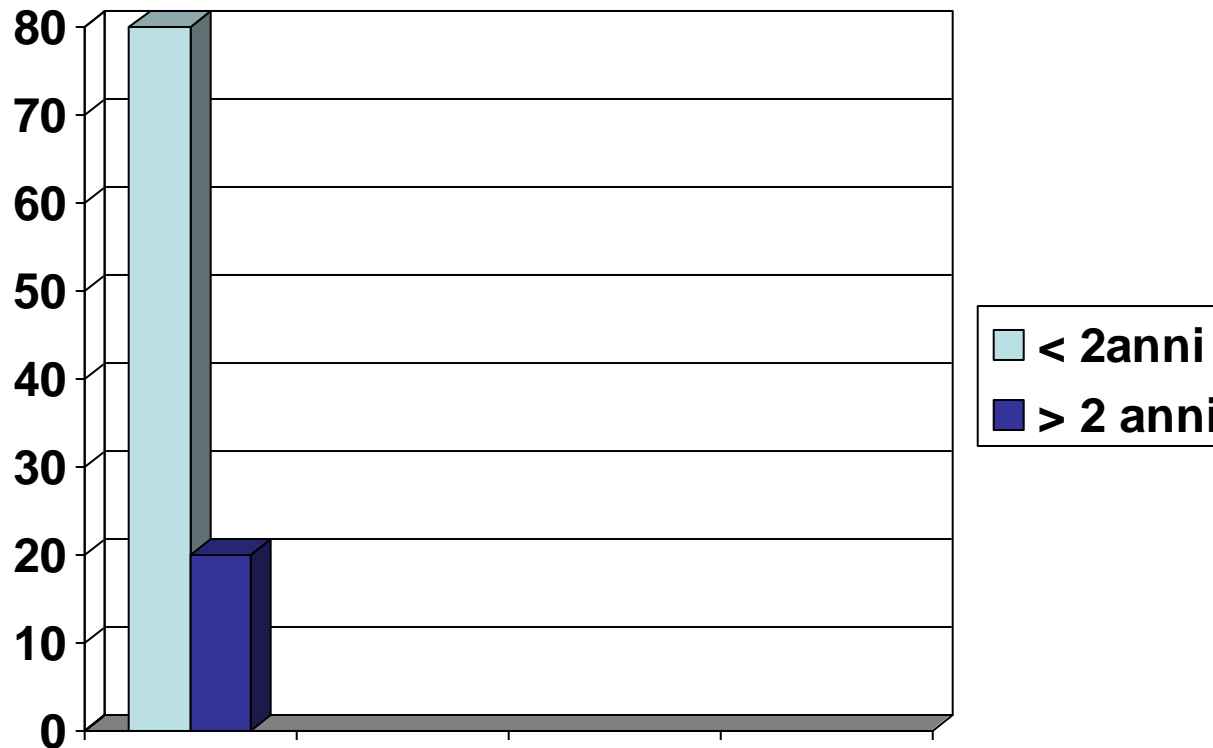
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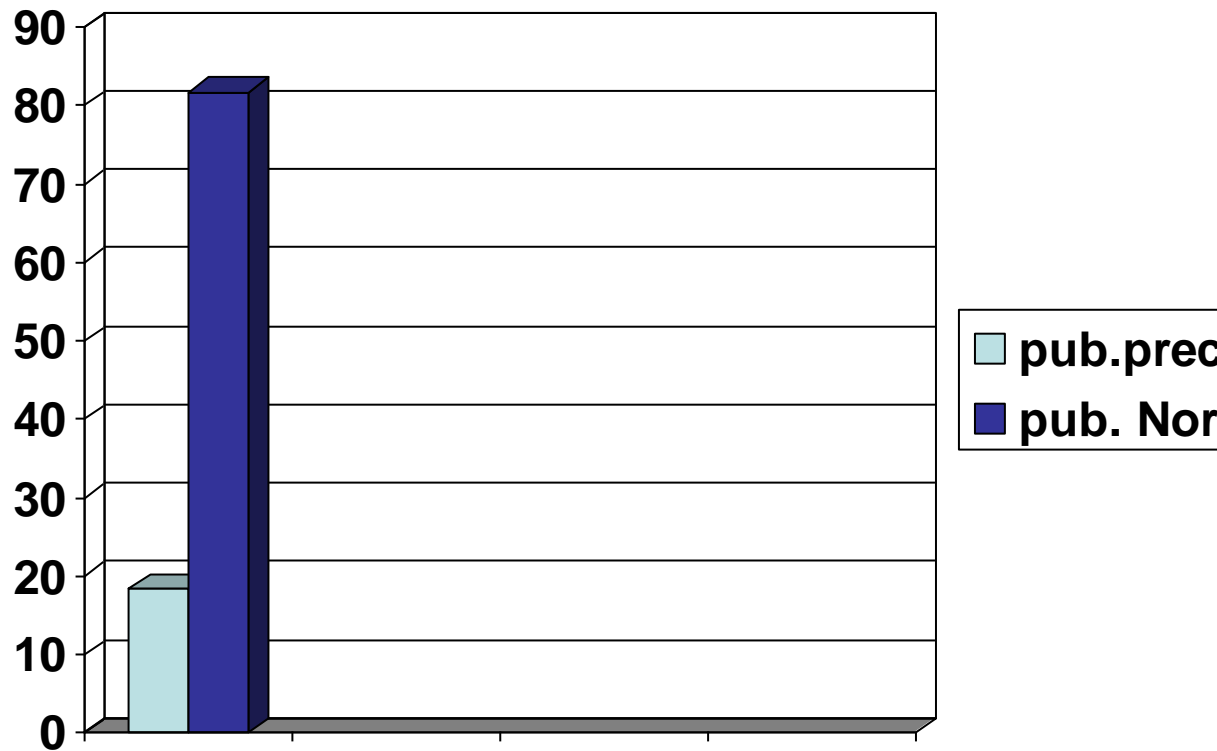
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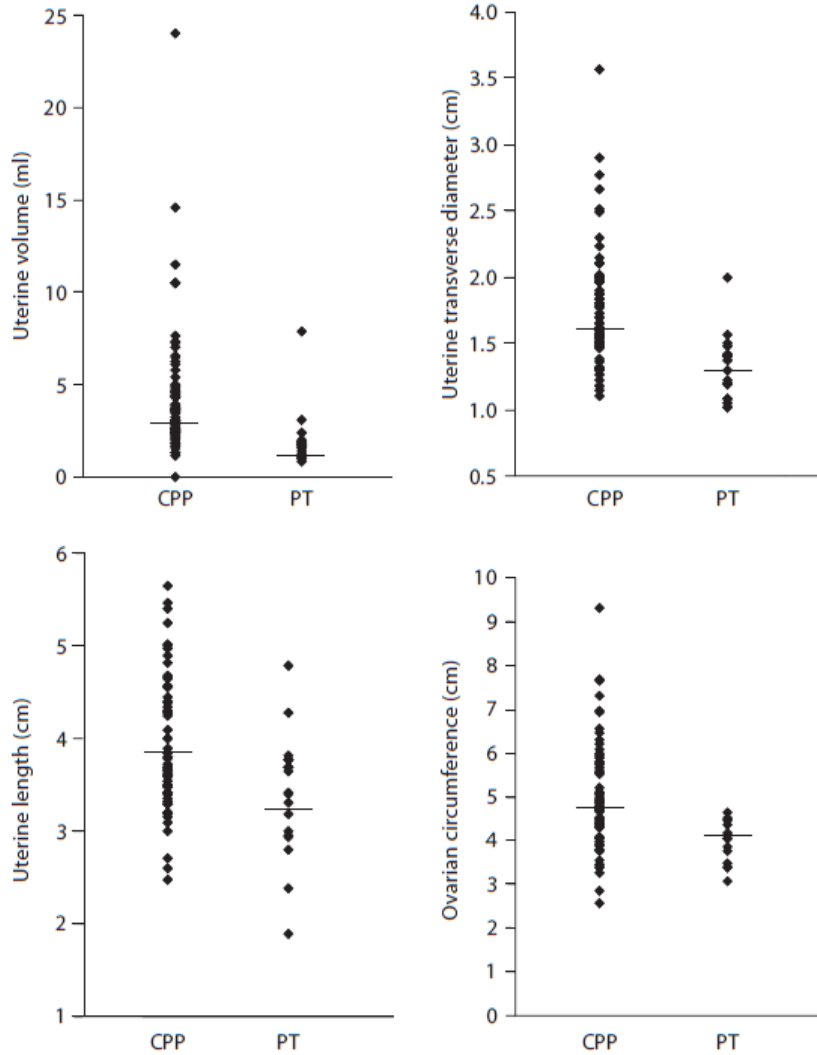


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Pelvic ultrasound alone is not always sufficiently reliable to differentiate one type of sexual precocity from another. However, the parameters measured by pelvic ultrasound may improve the diagnostic accuracy of GnRH-dependent PP and help clinicians to determine which girls need treatment. In contrast to other clinical parameters applied in the diagnosis of pubertal precocities, one ultrasound scan provides a combination of several objective parameters.

The presence of midline endometrial echo, a uterine length greater than 4 cm, a transverse diameter greater than 1.5 cm, or a uterine volume greater than 2.0 ml in a girl with premature breast development makes the diagnosis of precocious or early puberty very likely. Thus,

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