

# Consideration of human relevance for developmental effects based on experimental data

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## Terminology of Developmental Abnormalities in Common Laboratory Mammals (Version 2)

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**ABSTRACT** This update (Version 2) of the *Terminology of Developmental Abnormalities in Common Laboratory Mammals (Version 1)* incorporates improvements and enhancements to both content and organization of the terminology to enable greater flexibility in its application, while maintaining a consistent approach to the description of findings. The revisions are the result of an international collaboration among interested organizations, advised by individual experts and the outcomes of several workshops. The terminology remains organized into tables under the broad categories of external, visceral, and skeletal observations, following the manner in which data are typically collected and recorded in developmental toxicity studies. This arrangement of the tables, as well as other information provided in appendices, is intended to facilitate the process of specimen evaluation at the laboratory bench level. Only the commonly used laboratory mammals (i.e. rats, mice, rabbits) are addressed in the current terminology tables. The inclusion of other species that are used in developmental toxicity testing, such as primates, is considered outside the scope of the present update. Similarly, categorization of findings as, for example, ‘malformation’ or ‘variation’ remains unaddressed, in accordance with the overall principle that the focus of this document is descriptive terminology and not diagnosis or interpretation.

The skeletal terms have been augmented to accommodate cartilage findings.

**Key Words:** developmental toxicology glossary, developmental toxicology nomenclature, developmental toxicology terminology, external abnormality, skeletal abnormality, visceral abnormality

### INTRODUCTION

This publication is the first update (i.e. Version 2) to the *Terminology of Developmental Abnormalities in Common Laboratory Mammals (Version 1)* by Wise *et al.* (1997). It builds upon past efforts to assemble an internationally harmonized source of common nomenclature for use in describing observations of fetal and neonatal morphology. Improvements and enhancements to the content and organization of the Version 1 terminology are provided to enable a greater degree of flexibility in its application, while maintaining a consistent approach to the description of findings. The terminology should be of particular use for submissions of developmental toxicity data to regulatory agencies, while also having broader applicability in research.

Version 1 was compiled under the auspices of the International Federation of Teratology Societies (IFTS), which included member groups from North America, Europe, and Asia. It was based on a



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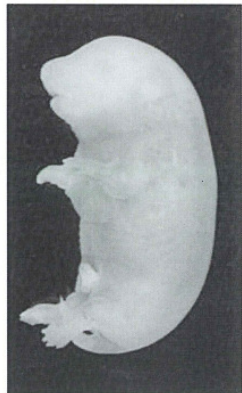
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| No | Id Number | Code Number  | Region Organ Structure | Observation                     | Synonym or Related Trem                 | Definition  | File |
|----|-----------|--------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|---|---|------|
| 1  | S002429   | <u>10002</u> | General                | General/Conjoined twins         | Omphalosite                             | Monozygotic twins with variable incomplete separation into two during cleavage or early stages of embryogenesis | o    |
| 2  | S002430   | <u>New</u>   | General                | General/Distended abdomen       |   | Abdomen appears larger than normal  | --   |
| 3  | S002435   | <u>10004</u> | General                | General/Subcutaneous hemorrhage | Petechia, Purpura, Ecchymosis, Hematoma | An accumulation of extravasated blood beneath the skin  | --   |
| 4  | S002431   | <u>New</u>   | General                | Fetus or pup/neonate/Discolored | Skin discolored                         | Generalized or localized region of abnormal color (other than pale)   | --   |
| 5  | S002432   | <u>New</u>   | General                | Fetus or pup/neonate/Large      |   |   | --   |
| 6  | S002433   | <u>New</u>   | General                | Fetus or pup/neonate/Pale       |   | Generalized absence of color when compared to a normal specimen   | --   |
| 7  | S002434   | <u>New</u>   | General                | Fetus or pup/neonate/Small      | Runt                                    |   | --   |
| 8  | S000003   | <u>10001</u> | General                | Subcutaneous edema/Generalized  | Anasarca                                | An accumulation of interstitial fluid in subcutaneous connective tissue   | o    |
| 9  | S002428   | <u>10005</u> | General                | Subcutaneous edema/Localized    |   | Localized accumulation of fluid   | --   |
| 10 | S002436   | <u>10003</u> | General                | Skin/Absent                     | Cutis aplasia                           | Localized region of no skin development   | --   |

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| Code Number                | 10001   |
| External/Visceral/Skeletal | External  |
| Region/Organ/Structure     | General   |
| Observation                | Subcutaneous edema/Generalized  |
| Synonym or Related Term    | Anasarca  |
| Non-Preferred Term         |   |
| Definition                 | An accumulation of interstitial fluid in subcutaneous connective tissue |
| Note                       |   |
| Registration date          | 2010/01/28  |
| Updated date               | 2010/11/26  |

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| 1  | S002909   | <a href="#">10328</a> | Kidney                 | Kidney | Cyst            |                         |            | --   |
| 2  | S002911   | <a href="#">10331</a> | Kidney                 | Kidney | Large           |                         |            | --   |
| 3  | S002914   | <a href="#">10337</a> | Kidney                 | Kidney | Misshapen       |                         |            | o    |
| 4  | S002915   | <a href="#">10339</a> | Kidney                 | Kidney | Small           |                         |            | --   |
| 5  | S002907   | <a href="#">10326</a> | Kidney                 | Kidney | Absent          |                         |            | o    |
| 6  | S002910   | <a href="#">10330</a> | Kidney                 | Kidney | Discolored      | Infarct                 |            | --   |
| 7  | S002913   | <a href="#">10336</a> | Kidney                 | Kidney | Malpositioned   |                         |            | --   |
| 8  | S002912   | <a href="#">10332</a> | Kidney                 | Kidney | Fused           |                         |            | --   |
| 9  | S002916   | <a href="#">10342</a> | Kidney                 | Kidney | Supernumerary   |                         |            | --   |
| 10 | S002908   | <a href="#">New</a>   | Kidney                 | Kidney | Altered texture |                         |            | --   |

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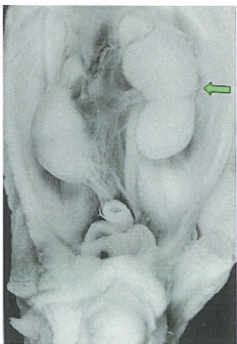
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| Code Number                | 10337            |
| External/Visceral/Skeletal | Visceral         |
| Region/Organ/Structure     | Kidney<br>Kidney |
| Observation                | Misshapen        |
| Synonym or Related Term    |                  |
| Non-Preferred Term         |                  |
| Definition                 |                  |
| Note                       |                  |
| Registration date          | 2010/04/19       |
| Updated date               | 2011/03/03       |

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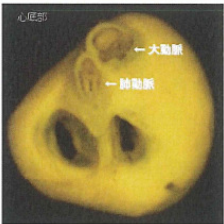
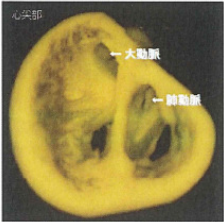
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| Observation                | Absent     |
| Synonym or Related Term    |            |
| Non-Preferred Term         |            |
| Definition                 |            |
| Note                       |            |
| Registration date          | 2010/04/19 |
| Updated date               | 2011/03/03 |

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| Code Number                | 10224  |
| External/Visceral/Skeletal | Visceral   |
| Region/Organ/Structure     | Great vessels<br>Great vessels   |
| Observation                | Transposition  |
| Synonym or Related Term    |  |
| Non-Preferred Term         |  |
| Definition                 | Origin of aorta from right ventricle and pulmonary trunk from left ventricle |
| Note                       |  |
| Registration date          | 2011/03/03   |
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| Code Number                | 10696  |
| External/Visceral/Skeletal | Skeletal   |
| Region/Organ/Structure     | Vertebra<br>Thoracic vertebra                          |
| Observation                | Hemivertebra   |
| Synonym or Related Term    |  |
| Non-Preferred Term         |  |
| Definition                 |  |
| Note                       | Absent arch and hemicentrum may be recorded separately |
| Registration date          | 2010/04/19   |
| Updated date               | 2011/03/04   |

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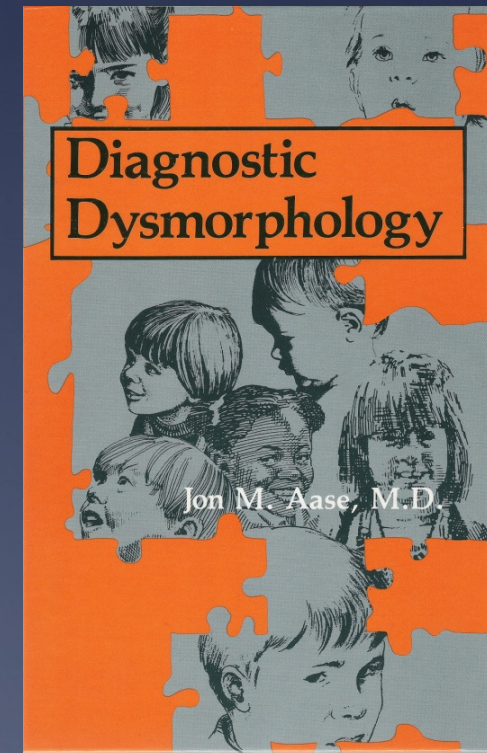
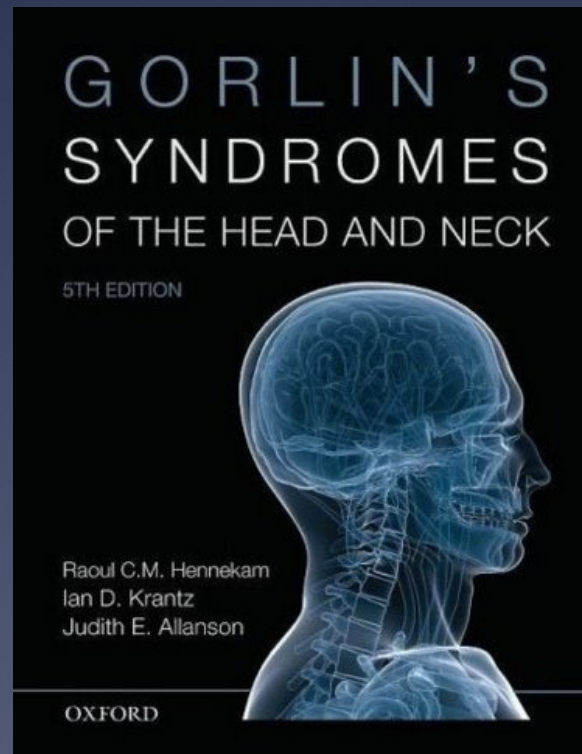
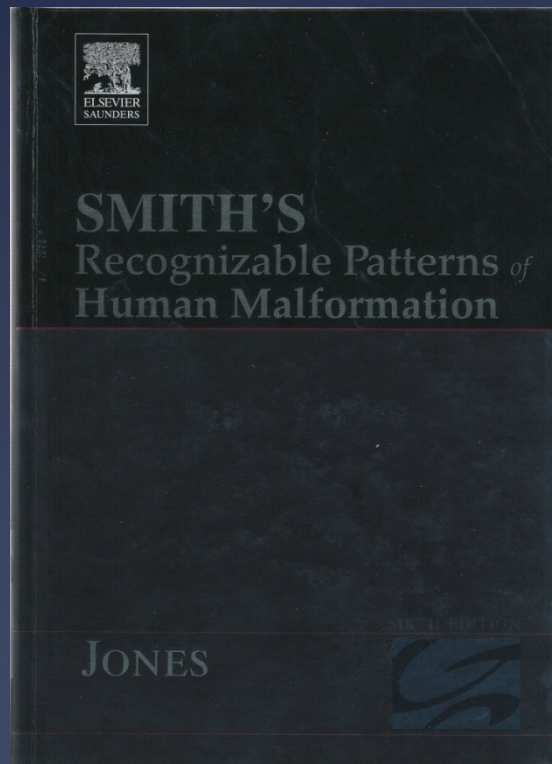
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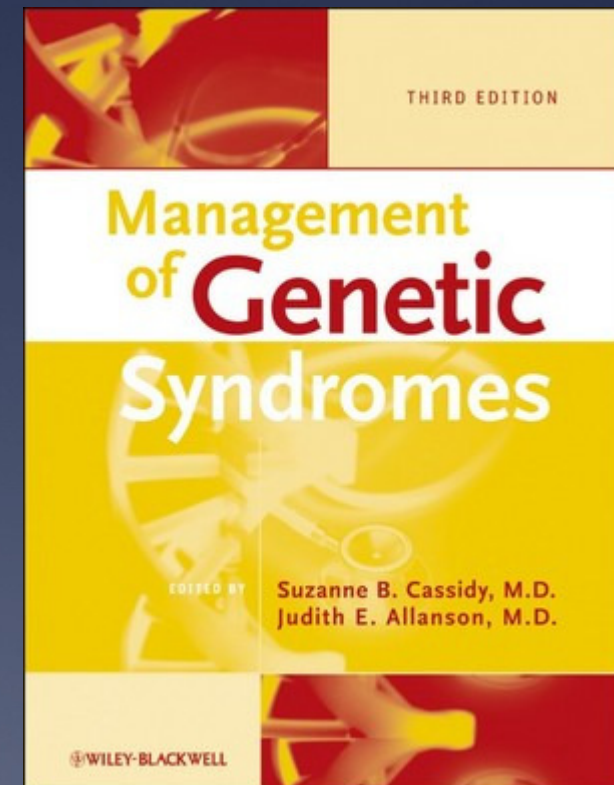
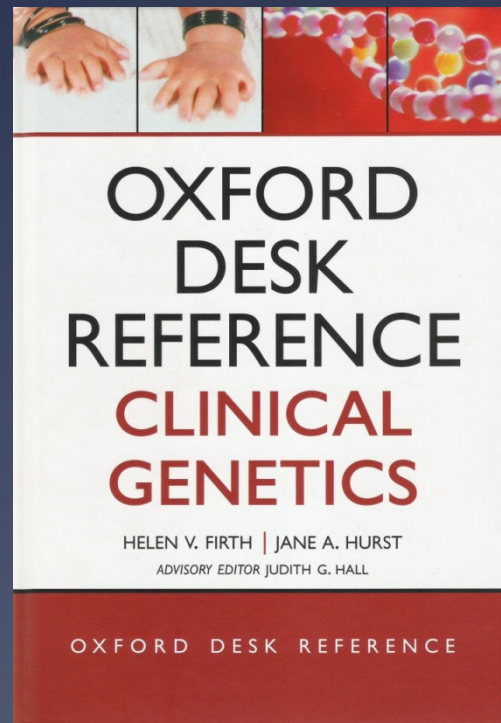
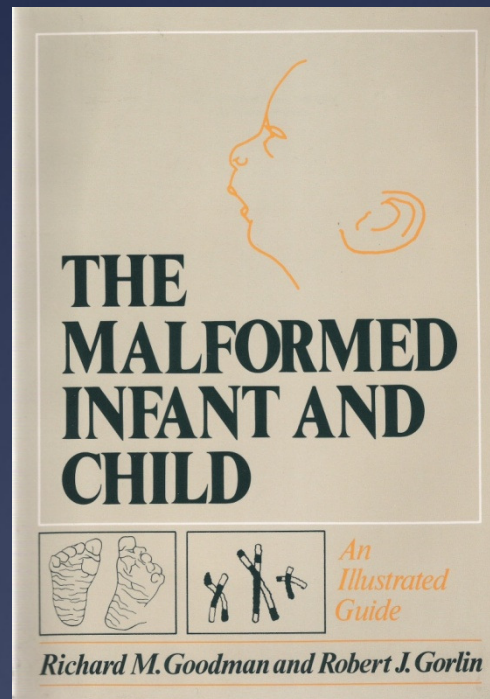
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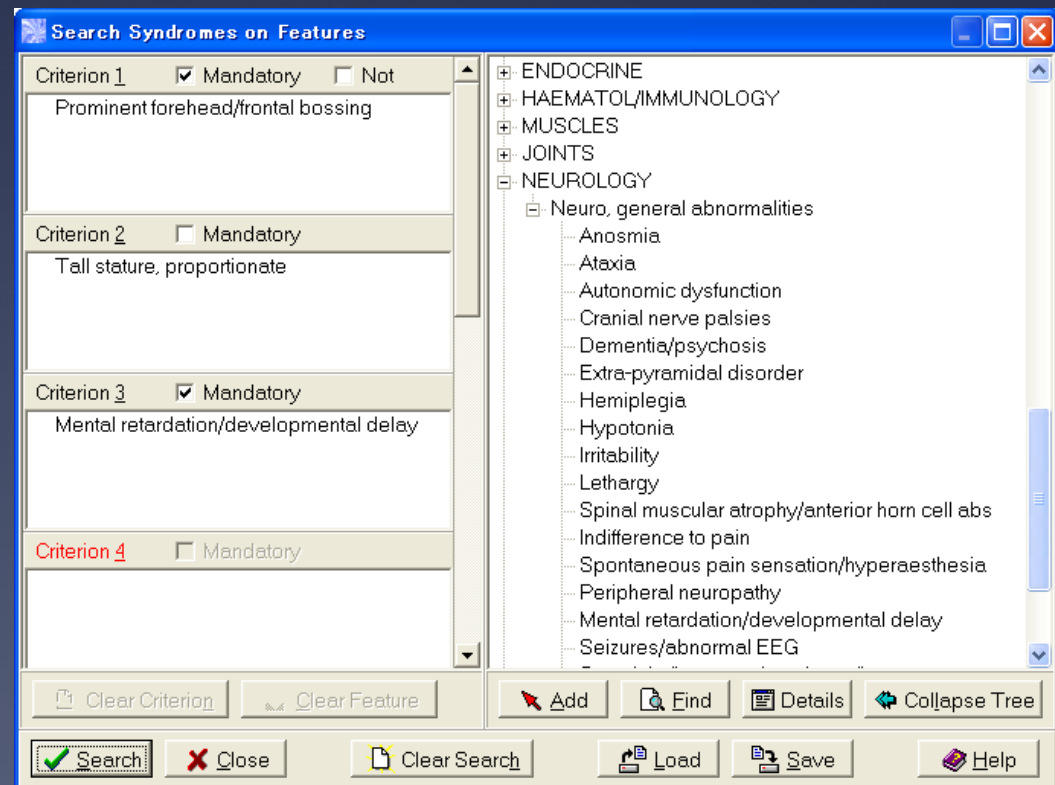
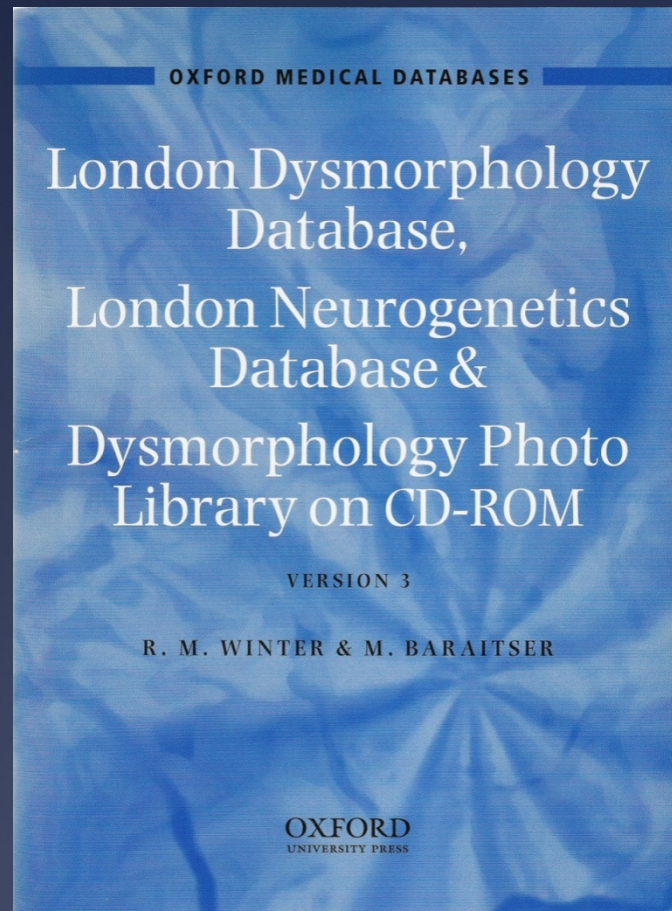
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- Marshall-Smith syndrome 3
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- Apert - acrocephalosyndactyly type I 2
- Armfield (1999) - short stature-small hands/feet-seizures-CP-glaucoma-MR 2
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| Tall stature, proportionate            | Over-folded ear helix, lop ear | Atlanto/axial/occipital ab |
| Prominent forehead/frontal bossing     | Hypertelorism                  | Vertebral interpedicular c |
| Mental retardation/developmental delay | Prominent eyes/proptosis       | Irregular end-plates to ve |
| High birth weight (> 90th centile)     | Macrocornea/megalocornea       | Narrow thorax/tunnel che   |
| Thin                                   | Optic atrophy                  | Atrial septum defect       |
| Short stature, proportionate           | Blue sclera                    | Congenital cardiac anorr   |
| Macrocephaly                           |                                |                            |
| Thick calvarium                        |                                |                            |
| Sclerosis of skull                     |                                |                            |
| Cerebellar abnormalitie                |                                |                            |
| Agenesis/hypoplasia c                  |                                |                            |
| Lissencephaly/pachygy                  |                                |                            |
| Generalized hirsutism/f                |                                |                            |
| Abnormal secondary s                   |                                |                            |
| Low-set ears                           |                                |                            |
| Narrow/atretic auditory                |                                |                            |

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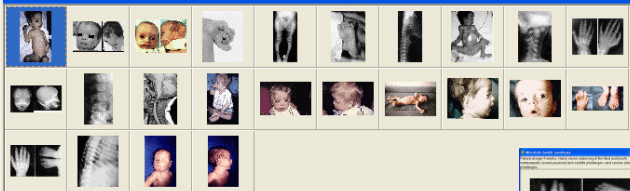
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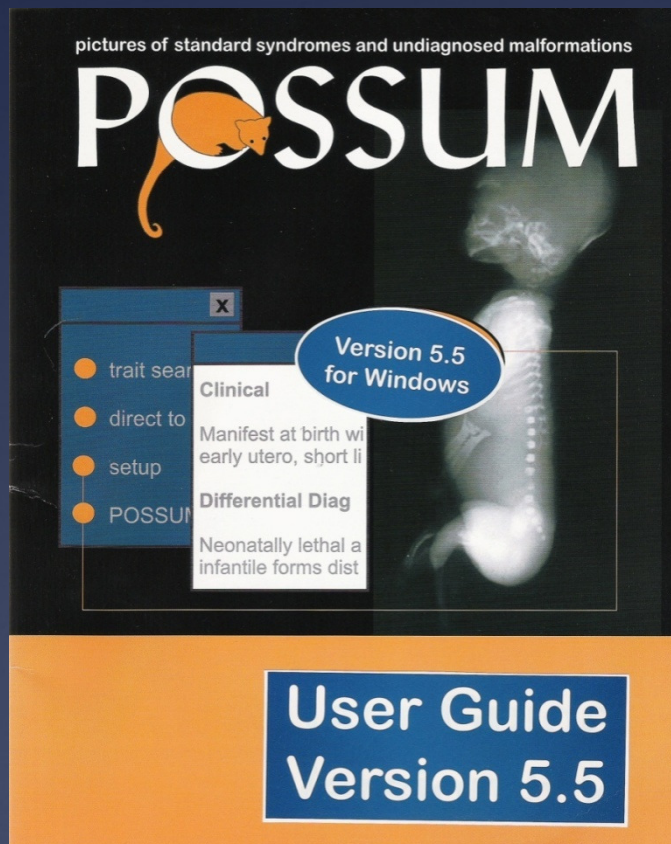
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□ Over 3,000 agents have been shown to have embryotoxic/teratogenic effects in one or more animal species.

□ □ Only a limited number of agents are embryotoxic/teratogenic in humans.

□ Many human teratogens were suspected by clinicians when they observed a small number of patients with birth defects



How accurately can preclinical animal studies predict the embryotoxic/teratogenic risk in humans □

## Causes of species difference in teratogenesis

- 1) Phylogenetic difference in reproduction and pregnancy
- 2) Different susceptibility of embryonic tissues to the exogenous agent
- 3) Species difference in pharmacokinetics in the mother-placenta-embryo complex  
Absorption, tissue distribution, metabolism and excretion
- 4) Conditions of exposure
  - Timing of exposure
  - Dose of exposure

## Comparison of pharmacokinetics between the human and laboratory animals\*

### Similarity to the human in terms of metabolic pattern

| Species                   | Good | Fair | Poor | Invalid |
|---------------------------|------|------|------|---------|
| Rat                       | 29%  | 12%  | 20%  | 42%     |
| Dog, Rabbit<br>Guinea pig | 32%  | 27%  | 9%   | 32%     |
| Rhesus monkey             | 73%  | 19%  | 4%   | 4%      |

\* Nau (1986)



## Teratogenicity of major human teratogens in laboratory animals

| Teratogenic agent   | Major anomalies induced in humans              | Species |     |            |         |        |                   |
|---------------------|--|---------|-----|------------|---------|--------|-------------------|
|                     |  | Mouse   | Rat | Giunea pig | Hamster | Rabbit | Nonhumana primate |
| Ethanol             | Craniofacial anomalies, cardiovascular defects | ++      | +   | +          |         | +      | ++                |
| Aminopterin         | Skeletal defects                               | +       | ++  |            |         | -      | -                 |
| Androgenic hormones | Masculinization in female babies               | ++      | ++  | ++         | ++      | ++     | ++                |
| Coumarin            | Nasal dysplasia, skeletal anomalies            | -       | -   |            |         | -      |                   |
| Diethylstilbestrol  | Uterine malformations                          | ++      | ++  |            | -       | -      | +                 |
| Methyl mercury      | Microcephaly, neurological disorders           | ++      | ++  |            | +       | -      | +                 |
| Streptomycin        | Inner ear anomalies                            | -       | ++  | -          |         | -      |                   |
| *<br>Valproic acid  | Neural tube defects, raniofacial anomalies     | ++      | +   | +          | +       | +      | +                 |
| Thalidomide         | Limb reduction defects                         | +       | +   | -          | +       | ++     | ++                |

-: Not teratogenic; +: Teratogenic; ++: Induces similar anomalies as in humans.

## Proof of teratogenesis\*

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1. Majority of epidemiological studies demonstrate an increased incidence of a particular group of malformations in exposed populations.
2. The incidence of patients prenatally exposed to the agent is significantly higher in the population having the particular group of malformations.
3. An animal model is developed which mimics the human situation.
4. The embryotoxic effects are dose-related.
5. The critical period and mechanism of teratogenesis are biologically plausible.

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\* Modified after Shepard.

*For better assessment of embryotoxicity/teratogenicity of exogenous agents*

- Well-designed laboratory studies
- Detailed, careful observation
- Description of observed results
- Proper data analysis
  
- Data interpretation and extrapolation to the human
- Assessment of human risk
  
- *Knowledge on normal and abnormal development*
- *Data on pharmacokinetics*

