



MIXEDEMUL CONGENITAL : CUM SA-L RECUNOASTEM SI CUM SA-L TRATAM?

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THE TRUTH IS OUT THERE

MOST COMMON
PREVENTABLE CAUSES OF
MENTAL RETARDATION

TERMINOLOGIE

mixedem-hipotiroïdie congenitala

- **MIXEDEM PRIMAR**
- **MIXEDEM SECUNDAR (hipotiroïdie centrală)**
- **HIPOTIROIDISM PERIFERIC** (defect de transport, metabolism sau actiune)
- **HIPOTIROIDIE PERMANENTA**
- **HIPOTIROIDIE TRANZITORIE**
- **HIPOTIROIDIE SINDROMICA**



	1. Primary hypothyroidism
	<p>Thyroid dysgenesis: hypothyroidism due to a developmental anomaly (Thyroid ectopia, athyreosis, hypoplasia, hemiagenesis)</p> <p>Associated mutations: (these account for only 2% of thyroid dysgenesis cases; 98% unknown)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> TTF-2, NKX2.1, NKX2.5 PAX-9
	<p>Thyroid dyshormonogenesis: hypothyroidism due to impaired hormone production</p> <p>Associated mutations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sodium-iodide symporter defect Thyroid peroxidase defects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hydrogen peroxide generation defects (DUOX2, DUOXA2 gene mutations) Pendrin defect (Pendred syndrome) Thyroglobulin defect Iodotyrosine deiodinidase defect (DEHAL1, SECISBP2 gene mutations)
	<p>Resistance to TSH binding or signaling</p> <p>Associated mutations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> TSH receptor defect G-protein mutation: pseudohypoparathyroidism type 1a
	2. Central hypothyroidism (syn: Secondary hypothyroidism)
	<p>Isolated TSH deficiency (TSH β subunit gene mutation)</p> <p>Thyrotropin-releasing hormone deficiency <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isolated, pituitary stalk interruption syndrome (PSIS), hypothalamic lesion, e.g. hamartoma </p> <p>Thyrotropin-releasing hormone resistance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> TRH receptor gene mutation </p> <p>Hypothyroidism due to deficient transcription factors involved in pituitary development or function <ul style="list-style-type: none"> HESX1, LHX3, LHX4, PIT1, PROP1 gene mutations </p>
	3. Peripheral hypothyroidism
	<p>Resistance to thyroid hormone <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thyroid receptor β mutation </p> <p>Abnormalities of thyroid hormone transport <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allan-Herndon-Dudley syndrome (monocarboxylate transporter 8 [MCT8] gene mutation) </p>
	4. Syndromic hypothyroidism
	<p>Pendred syndrome - (hypothyroidism- deafness - goiter) Pendrin mutation</p> <p>Bamforth-Lazarus syndrome - (hypothyroidism - cleft palate - spiky hair) TTF-2 mutation</p> <p>Ectodermal dysplasia - (hypohidrotic - hypothyroidism - ciliary dyskinesia)</p> <p>Hypothyroidism - (dysmorphism - postaxial polydactly - intellectual deficit)</p> <p>Kocher - Deber - Semilange syndrome - (muscular pseudohypertrophy- hypothyroidism)</p> <p>Benign chorea - hypothyroidism</p> <p>Choreoathetosis - (hypothyroidism - neonatal respiratory distress) NKX2.1 /TTF-1 mutation</p> <p>Obesity - colitis - (hypothyroidism - cardiac hypertrophy - developmental delay)</p>

DEBUT IN PRIMA LUNA DE VIATA

- Cianoza periferica
- Detresa respiratorie
- Tulburari de supt
- Absenta cresterii in greutate
- Incetinirea tranzitului intestinal
- Activitate diminuata
- Letargie

DEBUT IN PRIMELE 3 LUNI

- Hernie ombilicala
- Constipatie
- Piele uscata si rece
- Macroglossie
- Edeme generalizate
- Strigat scurt si ragusit

- Nu tine capul la 2 luni
- Nu sta in sezut la 6 luni
- Nu merge la 10-12 luni
- Probleme de comunicare
- Retard mental ireversibil



ALTE SEMNE SI SIMPTOME

- Malformatii cardiace (defect septal atrial)
- 14% din copiii cu mixedem congenital prezinta malformatii cardiace si alte boli care se insotesc de intarziere psihomotorie
- Fetele cu mixedem congenital prezinta mai frecvent malformatii cardiace, anomalii congenitale ale SNC, muscular, gastrointestinal si urinar.

HIPOTIROIDIA CONGENITALA

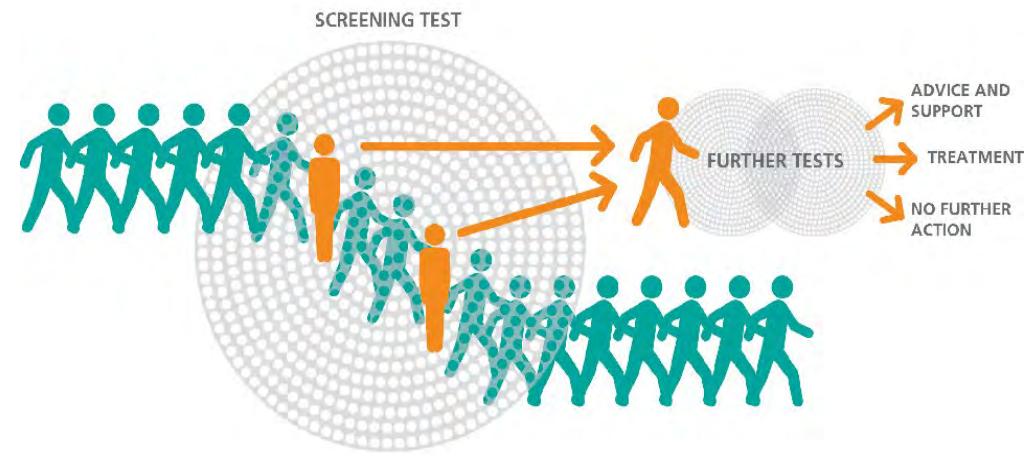
doua scenarii

NORMOTHYROID MOTHER & HYPOTHYROID FETUS	HYPOTHYROID MOTHER & HYPOTHYROID FETUS
Ex: Thyroid dysgenesis	Ex: Iodine deficiency
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Transplacental passage of hormones and2. Increased Type-2 Deiodinase activity in fetal brain confer neuro protection.	These mechanisms are impaired.
Near normal cognitive outcome is possible if post natal therapy is initiated early.	Significant neuro-intellectual impairment occurs.



SCREENING

- Implementarea screening-ului universal al nou-nascutilor a inceput in anii '70.
- Detectarea cazurilor cu mixedem moderat a determinat o crestere dramatica a incidentei de la 1:4000 la 1:2000 de nou-nascuti in ultimii 20–30 de ani.



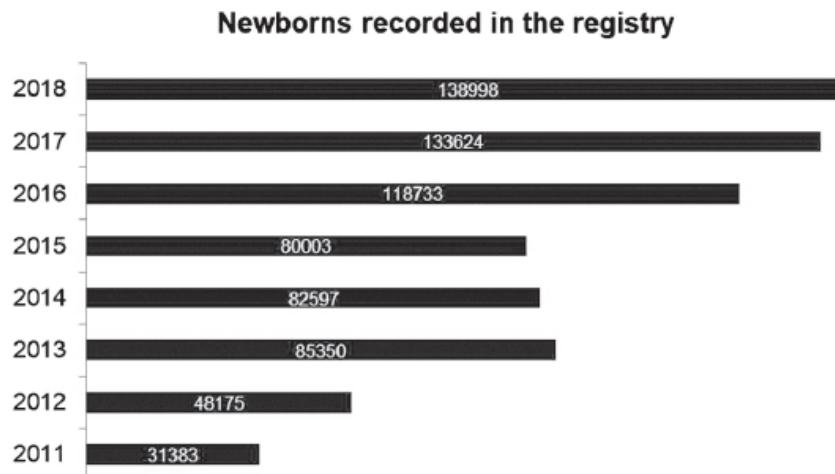
Organization of the neonatal screening program for congenital hypothyroidism in Romania (Infant neonatal screening test for hypothyroidism, are included in the national register MEDILOG).

The information system MEDILOG was created by a team from “Alessandrescu-Rusescu” National Institute of Mother and Child Health in 2010



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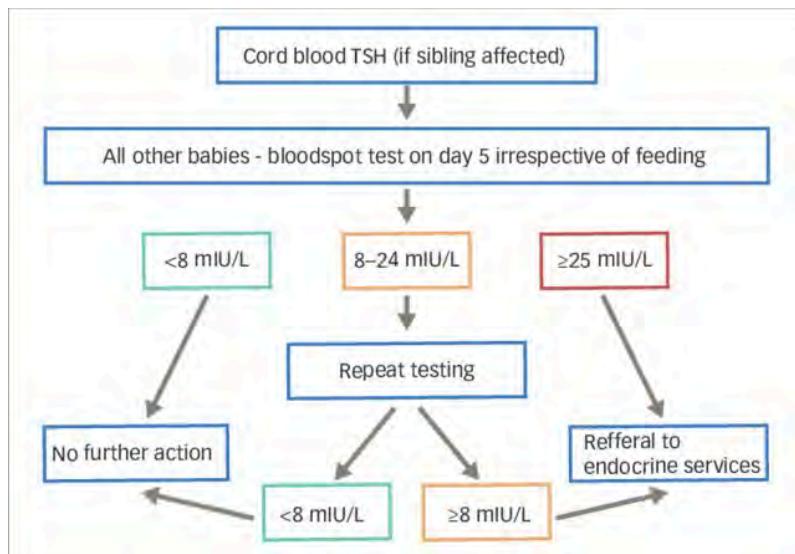
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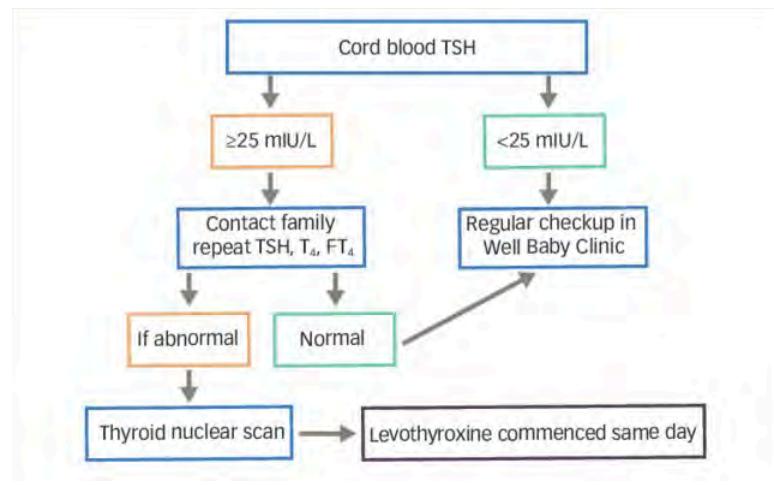
Year 2018	CH Confirmed	Total number of tested kids	Incidence
Cluj Regional Center	Data not available	27011	-
Iași Regional Center *	6	28474	1/4746
Mureș Regional Center **	2	8167	1/4083
Timiș Regional Center **	2	8679	1/4339
INSMC Bucharest Regional Center *	24	85841	1/3576

* MEDILOG data.

** Data reported at the Management Technical Assistance Unit Programme (UATMP) from INSMC.



**Screening protocol (primary blood spot TSH)-
National Health Service, Scotland**



Screening protocol (cord blood TSH)- Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore

TSH CRESCUT. CAUZE

1. Permanent hypothyroidism

Primary hypothyroidism (thyroid origin)

Dysgenesis (agenesis, hypogenesis, ectopic thyroid gland, etc.)

Dyshormonogenesis

Peripheral thyroid hormone insufficiency

Thyroid hormone resistance, thyroid hormone transporter abnormality (MCT8 defects), etc.

Subclinical congenital hypothyroidism

Others

Loss of function mutations of TSH receptor gene

Pseudohypoparathyroidism

2. Transient hypothyroidism (primary)

Severe iodine deficiency

Iodine excess

Administration of anti-thyroid drugs to mother

Loss of function mutations of DUOX2 gene, loss of function mutations of DUOXA2 gene

3. TSH-producing pituitary adenoma

4. Transient infantile hyperthyrotropinemia

5. Interference for TSH measurements

Anti-TSH antibody, anti-mouse IgG antibody (HAMA), etc.

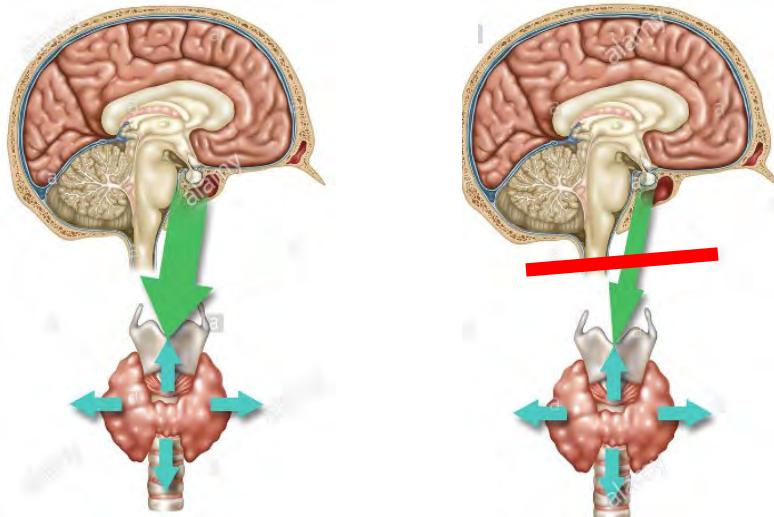
**Table 3.1**Thyroid Hormone Reference Ranges (Mean \pm SD) for Full Term and Preterm Neonates

Gestational age (wks)	Age			
	Birth	7 days	14 days	28 days
Total T ₄ (mcg/dL)				
23–27	5.4 \pm 2.0	4.0 \pm 1.8	4.7 \pm 2.6	6.1 \pm 2.3
28–30	6.3 \pm 2.0	6.3 \pm 2.1	6.6 \pm 2.3	7.5 \pm 2.3
31–34	7.6 \pm 2.3	9.4 \pm 3.4	9.1 \pm 3.6	8.9 \pm 3.0
\geq 37	9.2 \pm 1.9	12.7 \pm 2.9	10.7 \pm 1.4	9.7 \pm 2.2
Free T ₄ (ng/dL)				
23–27	1.3 \pm 0.4	1.5 \pm 0.6	1.4 \pm 0.5	1.8 \pm 0.5
28–30	1.4 \pm 0.4	1.8 \pm 0.7	1.6 \pm 0.4	1.7 \pm 0.5
31–34	1.5 \pm 0.3	2.1 \pm 0.6	2.0 \pm 0.4	1.8 \pm 0.6
\geq 37	1.4 \pm 0.4	2.7 \pm 0.6	2.0 \pm 0.3	2.1 \pm 2.5
Total T ₃ (ng/dL)				
23–27	19.5 \pm 14.9	32.6 \pm 20.2	41.0 \pm 24.7	63.1 \pm 27.3
28–30	28.6 \pm 20.8	56.0 \pm 24.1	72.3 \pm 28.0	87.2 \pm 31.2
31–34	35.2 \pm 23.4	91.8 \pm 35.8	109.4 \pm 41.0	119.8 \pm 40.1
\geq 37	59.9 \pm 34.5	147.8 \pm 50.1	167.3 \pm 31.2	175.8 \pm 31.9
TSH (mU/L)				
23–27	6.8 \pm 2.9	3.5 \pm 2.6	3.9 \pm 2.7	3.8 \pm 4.7
28–30	7.0 \pm 3.7	3.6 \pm 2.5	4.9 \pm 11.2	3.6 \pm 2.5
31–34	7.9 \pm 5.2	3.6 \pm 4.8	3.8 \pm 9.3	3.5 \pm 3.4
\geq 37	6.7 \pm 4.8	2.6 \pm 1.8	2.5 \pm 2.0	1.8 \pm 0.9

(continued)

ALTE TIPURI DE SCREENING

- În Olanda TSH, T₄ și TBG a dus la diagnosticarea hipotiroidiei congenitale centrale → 1:16000 nn
- Avantaje: prevenirea hipoglicemiei severe (co-existenta deficit GH și/sau ACTH) și permite inițierea precoce a tratamentului cu levotiroxina.



HIPOTIROIDISMUL CONGENITAL TRANZITORIU

- TSH ↑, fT4 si fT3 ↓
- Incidenta SUA intre 5% si 10% din copiii decelati prin screening (1:50000).
- Incidenta Franta 40% din copiii decelati prin screening
- Cauze: deficit de iod, ATS la mama, greutatea mica la nastere, exces de iod, transfer de la mama de TRAb.

TSH ↑ TRANZITOR

- TSH ↑, fT4 si fT3 normale
- Crestere indusa de frig (in ziua 1 si 2 de viata)
- TSH se normalizeaza in perioada de sugar
- Nu se deceleaza nici o cauza de hipotiroidism
- Tiroida normala ecografic si scintigrafic

HIPERTIROTROPINEMIA IZOLATA

- TSH↑ și T4 normal
- Indica o producție inadecvată de hormoni tiroizi.
- Este mai frecventă la prematuri.
- Cauze: deficit iodat, medicatie la mama, disgenezii tiroiziene.
- Valorile crescute ale TSH (cu fT4 normal) pot persista ani de zile.

HIPOTIROXINEMIA

- $T4 \downarrow$ si TSH normal
- Mai frecvent la copii prematuri (la 50% din cei nascuti sub 30 saptamani).
- Fractia libera este mai putin afectata decat $T4$
- Cauze: imaturitate ax hipotalamo-hipofizar, $TBG \downarrow$ (maladie genetica X-linkata), conversie $\downarrow T4-T3$
- Alte cauze: euthyroid sick syndrome (denutritie, imaturitate hepatica), eroare de laborator, hipotiroïdie centrala.

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1.3 Screening in special categories of neonates at risk of CH

- A strategy of second screening should be considered for the following conditions: preterm neonates; low-birth weight (LBW) and very low-birth weight (VLBW) neonates; ill and preterm newborns admitted to neonatal intensive care units (NICU); specimen collection within the first 24 hours of life; and multiple births (particularly same-sex twins); (2|⊕⊕○).

Repetarea testului la varsta de 14 zile sau la 14 zile dupa primul test (toate valorile trebuie analizate in functie de metoda folosita, valorile normale pentru fiecare parametru-TSH, fT4, varsta copilului si varsta gestationala).

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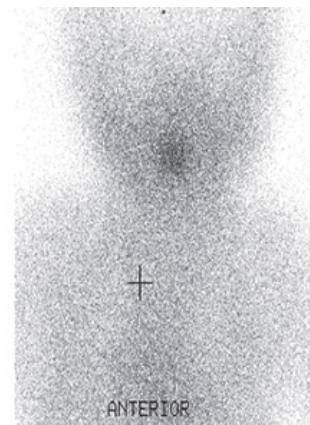
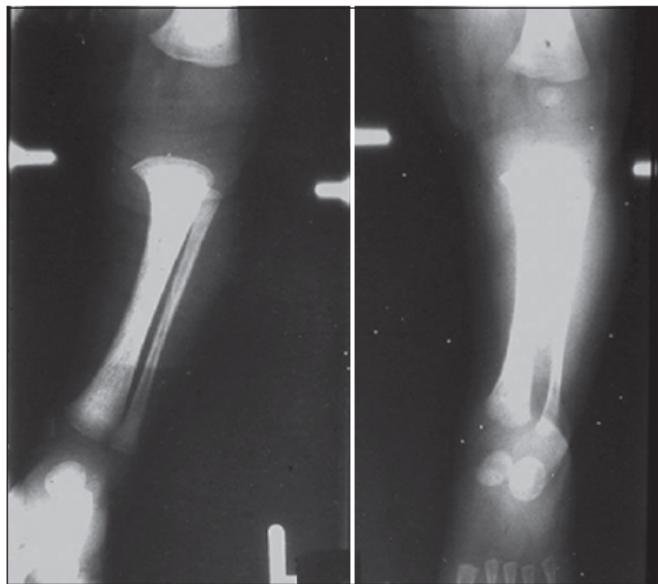
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2.4 Use of imaging in assessing the severity and cause of CH

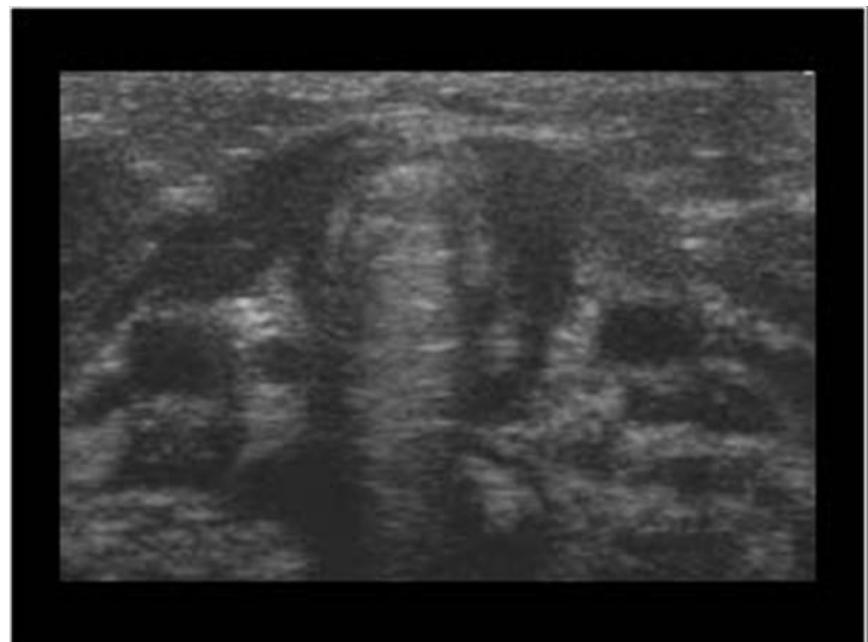
- X-ray of the knee may be carried out to assess the severity of intrauterine hypothyroidism by the presence or absence of femoral and tibial epiphyses (2|⊕⊕⊕).
- The thyroid gland should be imaged using either radioisotope scanning (scintigraphy) with or without the perchlorate discharge test; or ultrasonography; or both (1|⊕⊕○).
- Imaging should never be allowed to delay the initiation of treatment (1|⊕⊕○).

2.5 Associated malformations and syndromes

- All neonates with high TSH concentrations should be examined carefully for congenital malformations (particularly cardiac) and for dysmorphic features (1|⊕⊕⊕).



The left lower extremity of two infants; absent distal femoral epiphysis on left while in the normal infant on the right the distal femoral epiphysis is present



Age of the children	Thyroxine dose, µg/kg/day (µg/day)
CH	10-15 (~37.5-50)
Before 6 months	8-10 (~25-37.5)
After 6 months	
6-12 months	6-8 (~50-75)
1-5 years	5-6 (~75-100)
6-12 years	4-5 (~75-125)
12 years to adult	1-3 (~100-200)
Infantile CH	8-10 (~25-37.5)
Juvenile and adult CH	1.3

- Atât levotiroxina sub forma de tabletă sau lichida normalizează fT₄ în 7-10 zile de la administrare.
- La noi-nascutii cu forme severe și moderate forma lichida este absorbită mai bine comparativ cu tb (Yue et al. concentrație maxima la 30 min după administrare).
- Formula lichida este mai ușor de administrat și doza poate fi individualizată cu mai mare usurință.



Follow-up treatment	AAP	ESPE	APEG	La Franchi, 2011 ^[29]
Initiation of treatment	2-4 weeks	1-2 weeks	2-6 weeks	2-4 weeks
During 1 st year	1-2 months	1-3 months	3 months interval	Every 1-2 months
During 2 nd and 3 rd year	Every 2-3 months	Every 2-4 months	3 months interval	Every 2-3 months
Thereafter or until growth complete	3-12 months until growth and puberty complete	Every 3-12 months	4 months	6-12 months

AAP: American Academy of Pediatrics, ESPE: European Society for Pediatric Endocrinology, APEG: Australian Pediatric Endocrine Group

TRATAMENTUL IN HIPOTIROIDIA CONGENITALA CENTRALA

- Doza substitutiva de tiroxina se va administra in functie de valoarea fT4.
- fT4 trebuie mentinut in intervalul de jumatea superioara a normalului
- Dozarea fT3 este mai sensibila in decelarea celor supradoxati

Abnormal Thyroid Function Tests at Birth

- Indicators of Permanent Hypothyroidism
- Family history of Congenital Hypothyroidism
- Absent/Ectopic Thyroid gland on Imaging
- Initial TSH >40
- Midline facial abnormalities
- Multiple Pituitary abnormalities

Present

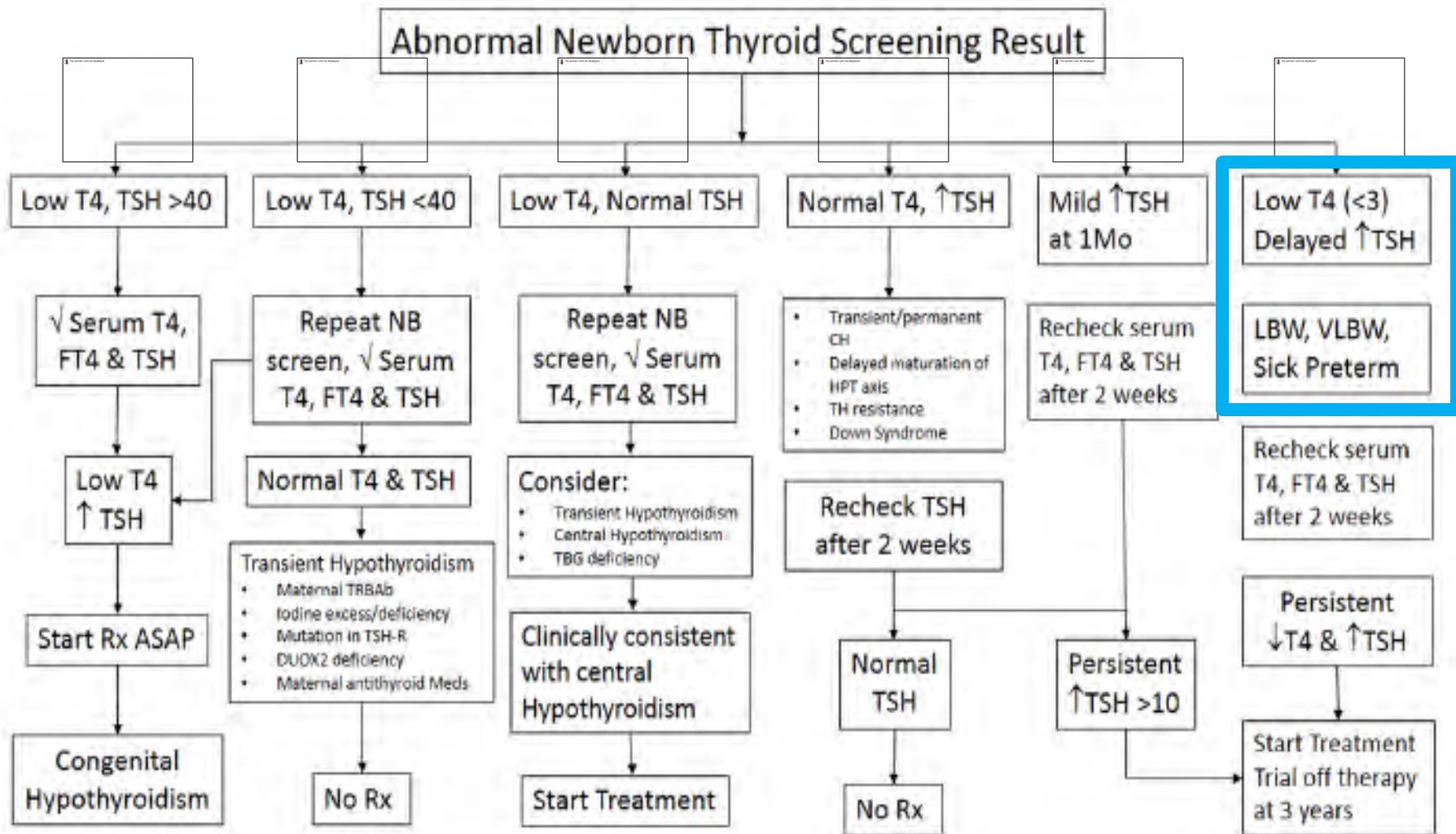
Lifelong therapy with Levothyroxine
starting at a dose of 10-15 mcg/kg/day

- Risk for Transient Congenital Hypothyroidism
- Iodine deficiency
- Iodine Excess
- Maternal Hypothyroidism
- Maternal PTU, Methimazole use
- Prematurity
- Low Birth weight & IUGR
- Use of Dopamine or Steroids
- Critically Ill infant

Repeat TFT's in 2 weeks and again after 4 weeks

- TSH persistently elevated
- Free T4 persistently low
- Unable to decide permanence

Start Rx with 10-15 mcg/kg/d of
Levothyroxine and reassess at 3
years of age



INTREBAREA 1

Fetele cu mixedem congenital prezinta mai frecvent:

a. malformatii cardiace?

sau

b. malformatii ale organelor genitale?

INTREBAREA 2

Care sunt categoriile speciale de nou-nascuti la care se recomanda al doilea screening pentru mixedemul congenital?

- a. Prematuri
- b. NN cu greutate mare la nastere
- c. NN proveniti din sarcini supramaturate
- d. NN cu greutate mica la nastere
- e. Gemeni de acelasi sex

CONCLUZII

- În ultimii 50 de ani s-au obținut rezultate extraordinare în ceea ce privește: diagnosticul, tratamentul și evolutia pacientilor cu mixedem congenital.
- Patogenia ➡ ➡ componenta genetica (multiple variante ale genelor implicate în fiziologia și morfologia tiroidiana).
- Ghidurile existente trebuie perfeționate în ceea ce privește managementul hipotiroidiei congenitale moderate.

