

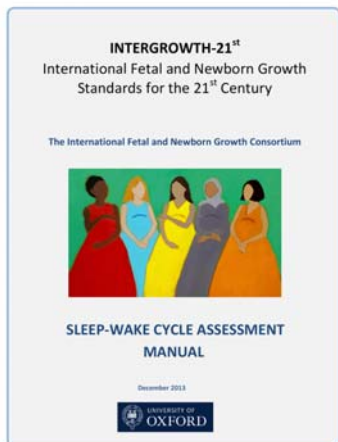
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ENGLISH-AIDED INTEGRATION IN THE BEST WORLD NEONATAL PRACTICE



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Evaluating a newborn's physical development is one of the key objectives of a neonatologist.

An adequate evaluation of weight and height measurements allows understanding the **metabolic state** of a fetus and developing a **program suitable for a newborn's nutrition**.



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Table 1 Standardised mortality ratios for coronary heart disease in 3,302 Finnish men during 1924–33

Birthweight kg [lb]	SMR (No. of deaths)
≤2.5 [5.5]	84 (11)
–3.0 [6.6]	83 (44)
–3.5 [7.7]	99 (124)
–4.0 [8.8]	76 (80)
>4.0 [8.8]	66 (27)
All	85 (286)
P value for trend	0.09

Term babies only Ponderal index at birth (kg/m ³)	SMR (No. of deaths)
≤25.0	44 (50)
–27.0	44 (50)
–29.0	44 (50)
>29.0	44 (50)
All	44 (50)
P value for trend	0.09

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Fetal programming and adult disease

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Abstract

Low birthweight is now known to be associated with heart disease and the related disorders stroke and type 2 diabetes. These associations have been found in different countries and are not the result of confounding factors across the normal range of birthweight and depend on the duration of gestation rather than the absolute birthweight. The associations are thought to be consequences of 'programming' of the fetus or insult at a critical, sensitive period of early life that affects fetal physiology and metabolism. Programming of the fetus is invoked when the materno-placental nutrient supply is inadequate to meet the demand. Although the influences that impair fetal development and adult cardiovascular disease remain to be defined, the importance of maternal body composition and diet during pregnancy is clear.

REVIEW ARTICLE

Prenatal Hypoxia and Cardiac Programming

Lubo Zhang, PhD

Epidemiologic studies have shown a clear association of adverse intrauterine environment and an increased risk of hypertension and coronary heart disease in the adult. Many studies have been focused on the effects of maternal undernutrition and fetal glucocorticoid exposure on fetal programming and later adult disease. Although it is relatively less clear, there is evidence that fetal exposure to hypoxia, alcohol, tobacco smoking, and cocaine may also cause in utero programming leading to an increased risk of adult disease. Chronic hypoxia during the course of pregnancy is thought to result in fetal intrauterine growth retardation. Among other effects, chronic hypoxia suppresses fetal cardiac function, alters cardiac gene expression, increases myocyte apoptosis, and results in a premature exit of the cell cycle of cardiomyocytes and myocyte hypertrophy. This review discusses recent evidence of an association of prenatal hypoxic exposure with an increased vulnerability of adult heart disease, and the possible mechanisms involved. (J Soc Gynecol Investig 2005;12:2–13) Copyright © 2005 by the Society for Gynecologic Investigation.

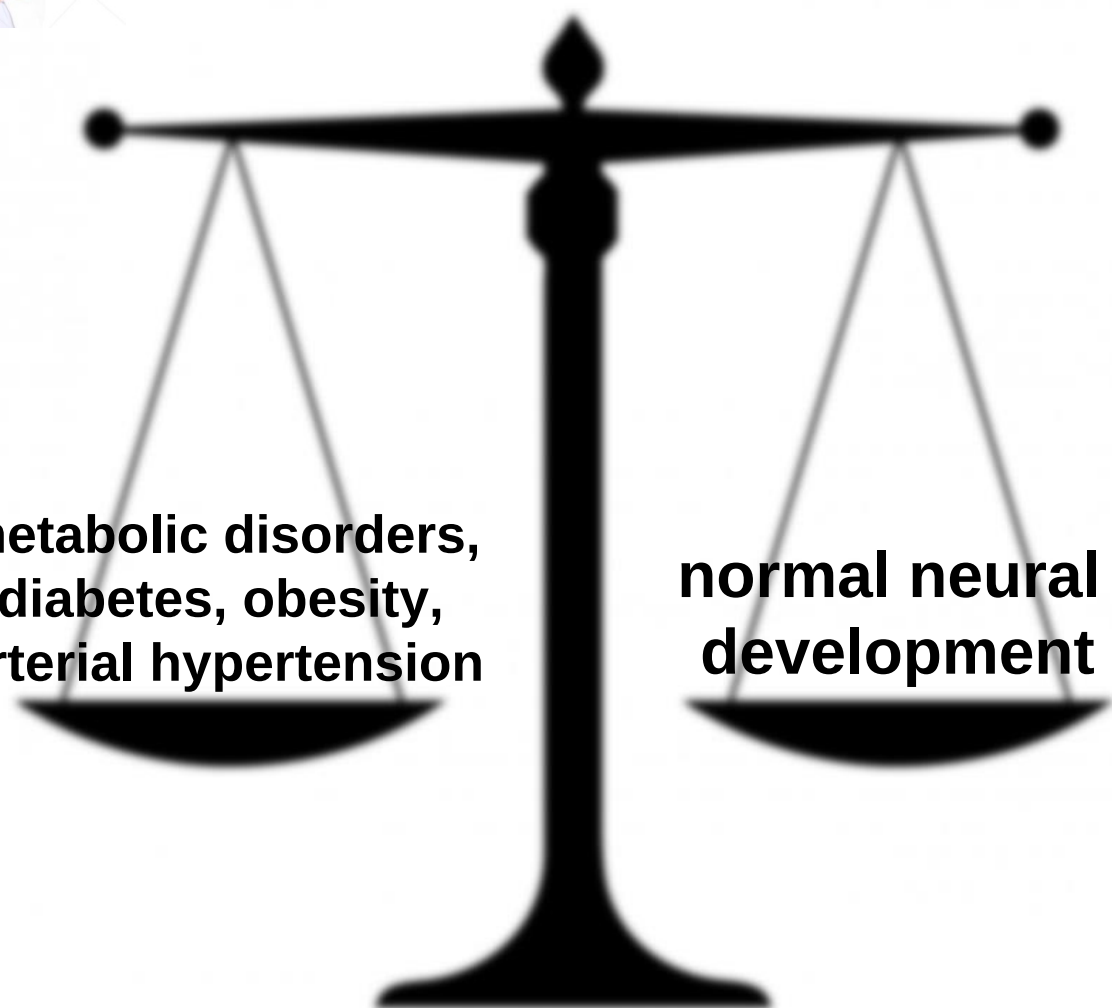
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Catch-Up Growth

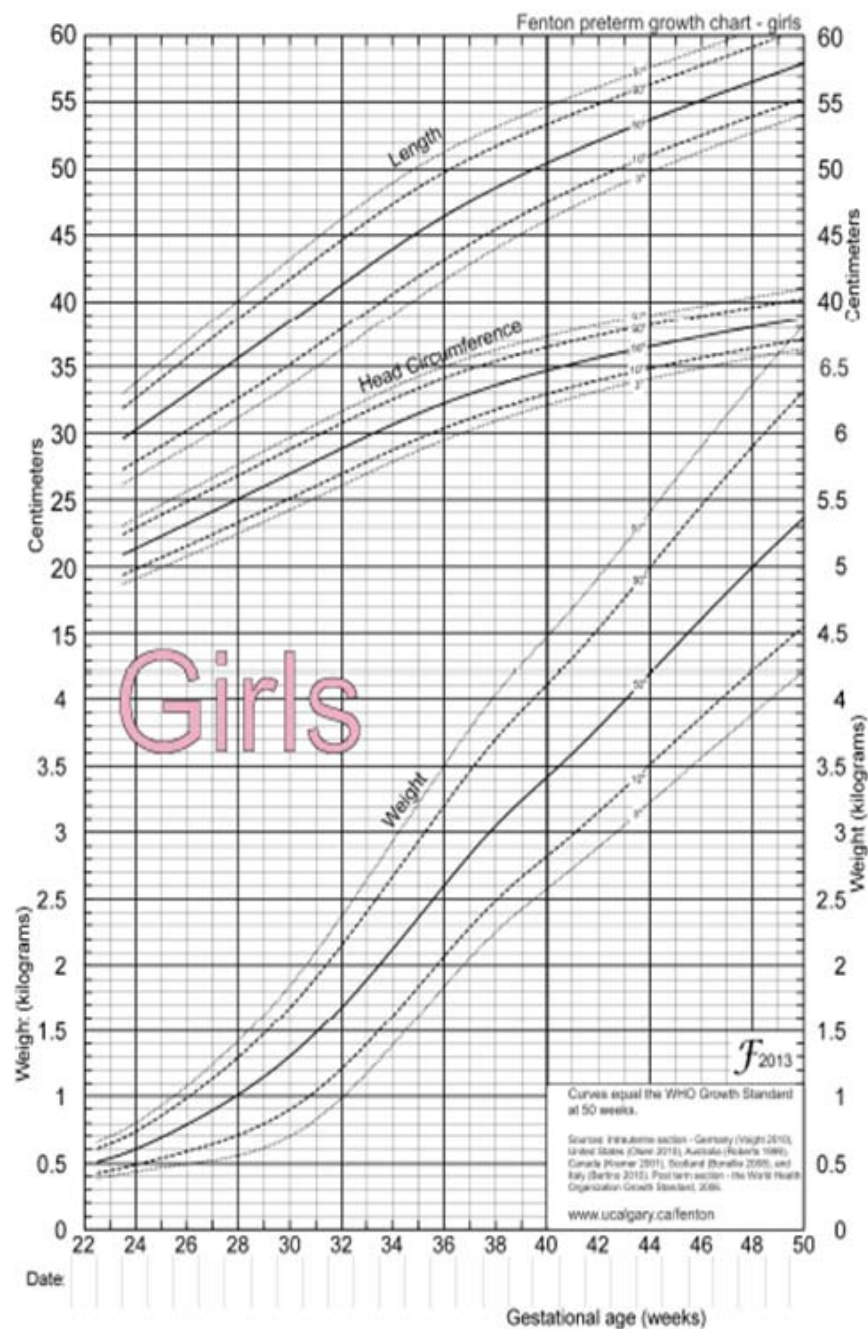
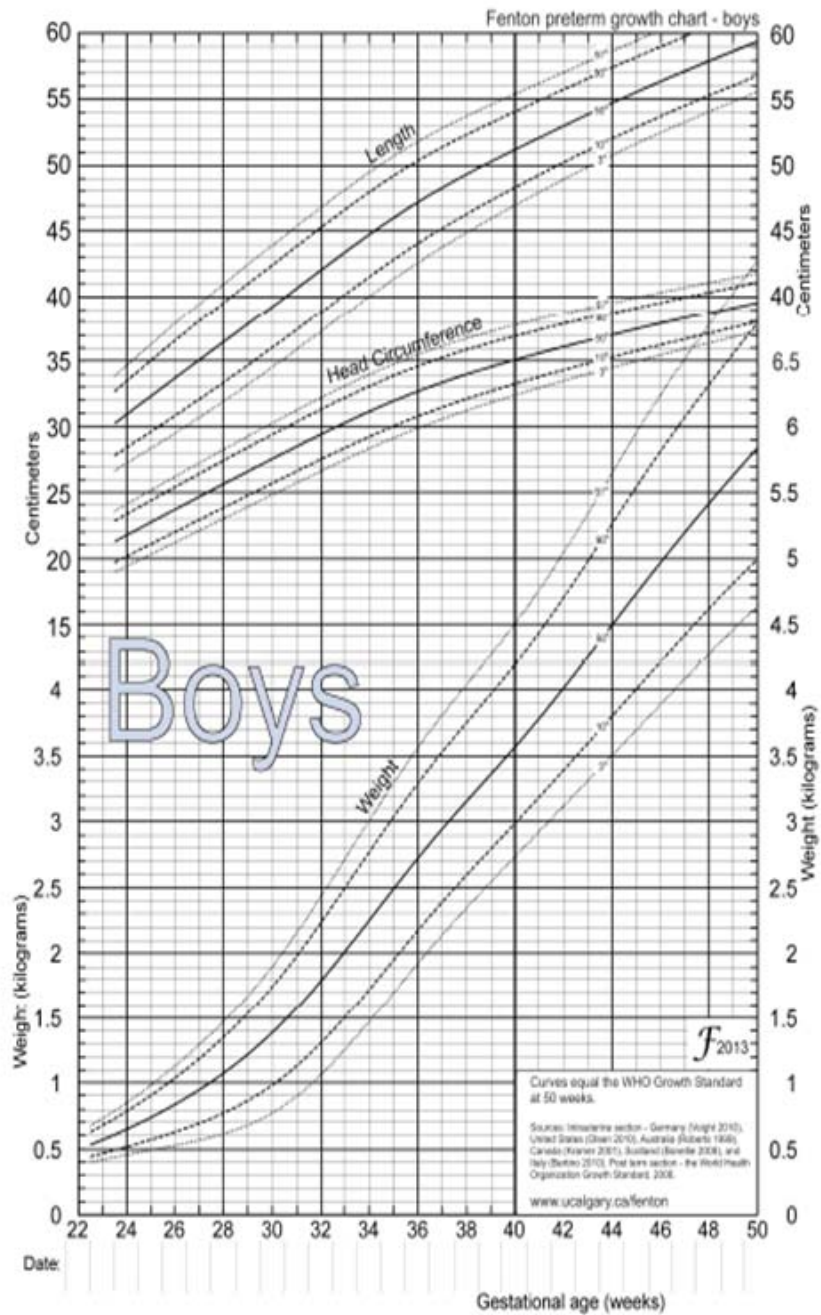
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Excess consumption of protein at an earlier age

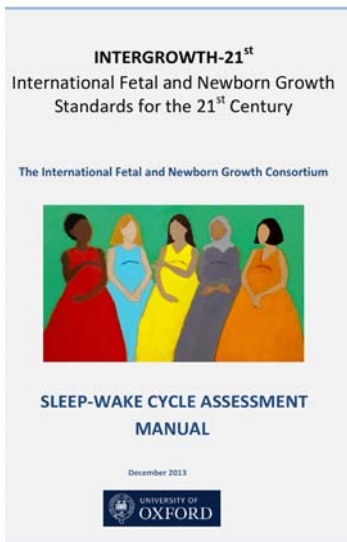
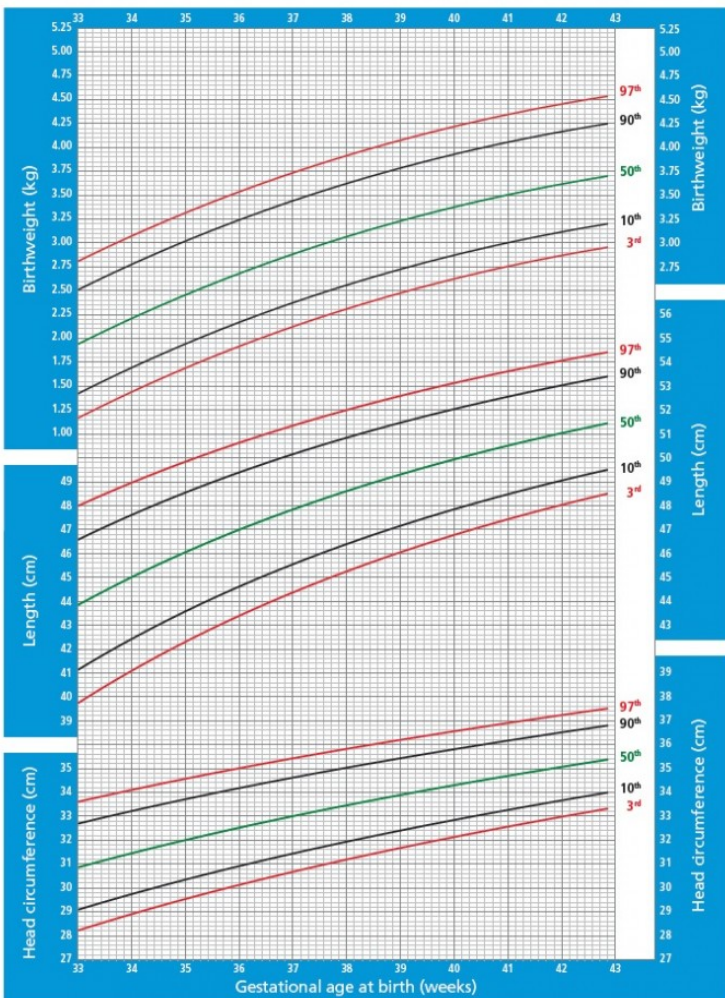


**metabolic disorders,
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arterial hypertension**

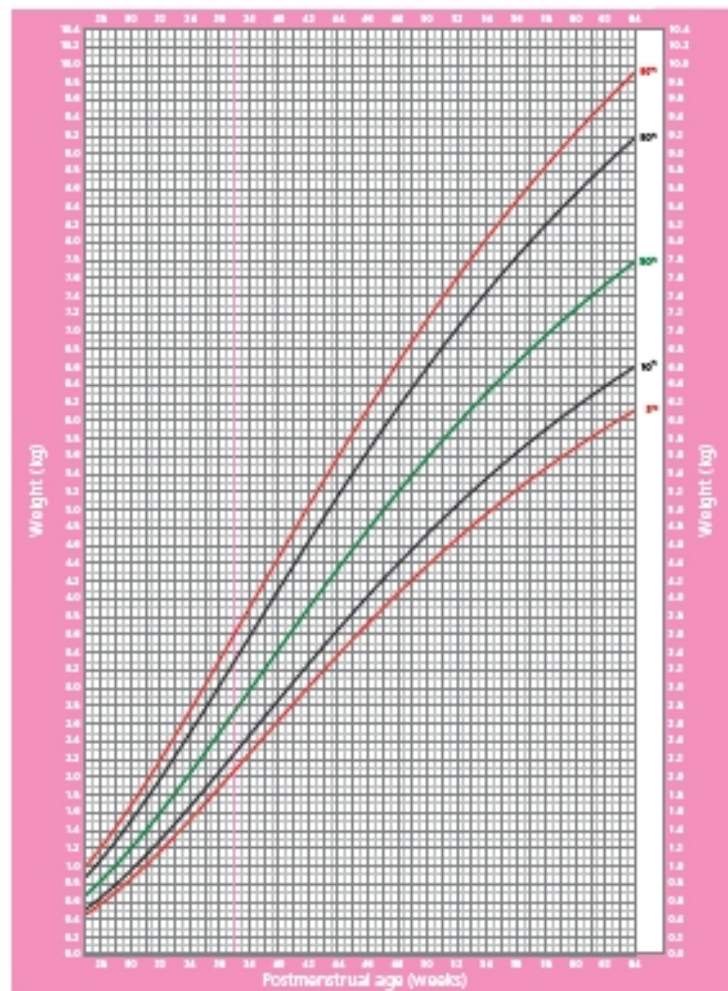
**normal neural
development**



International Standards for Size at Birth (Boys)



International Postnatal Growth Standards for Preterm Infants (Girls)



Materials and methods

A retrospective evaluating of physical development **of 315 newborns** has been performed using Fenton growth charts and INTERGROWTH standards of growth. Gestational age of newborns was **34-36 weeks**.

Results

gestational age, week	Weight $\pm$ SD, g	Body length $m \pm$ SD, cm	Head circumference $m \pm$ SD, cm
34	2071,9 $\pm$ 393,6	44,9 $\pm$ 2,8	30,8 $\pm$ 1,46
35	2353,3 $\pm$ 319,2	46,3 $\pm$ 1,8	31,6 $\pm$ 1,58
36	2496,6 $\pm$ 363,4	48,5 $\pm$ 2,2	31,6 $\pm$ 1,58



Weight

	appropriate for the gestational age	low birth weight	very low birth weight	high birth weight	very high birth weight
INTERGROWTH-21	50%	19%	8%	9%	14%
Fenton growth charts	63%	24%	6%	6%	1%



Length

	appropriate for the gestational age	low birth length	very low birth length	high birth length	very high birth length
INTERGRO WTH-21	51%	2%	17%	20%	10%
Fenton growth charts	69%	6%	16%	9%	0%



Head circumference

	appropriate for the gestational age	low birth head circumference	very low birth head circumference	high birth head circumference	very high birth head circumference
INTERGROWTH-21	57%	19%	10%	11%	3%
Fenton growth charts	61%	22%	2%	13%	2%



Conclusions

- As we can see in the data provided above there are **significant differences** in the results of evaluating anthropometric indicators using these methods.
- Given that unlike **Fenton growth charts**, that have been developed based on **retrospective analysis**, **INTERGROWTH21** standards of growth are based on **prospective studies**, in which the technique of evaluating anthropometric indicators is completely standardized and evaluating a **newborn's growth** rate is a continuation of studying **fetal growth**.
- Taking into account the differences in standards of growth provided in various methods, it is necessary to adopt common standards for evaluating physical development.
- In our opinion, **INTERGROWTH21** standards of growth is more beneficial, because the research as a result of which they have been developed, has a more high quality design