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- MS is a chronic inflammatory demyelinating disease. Its cause is still unknown.
- Pathophysiology is immune mediated damage to the CNS, in particular the axons of nerves, caused by disruption of the BBB and inflammation which leads to focal demyelination.
- Childhood MS or pediatric MS, is apperance before the age of 18, 19, or 21. There is still no consensus.
 - It is accepted to divide MS into 3 age groups:

Childhood MS <12
Juvenile MS 12-18
Adult MS >18

- Until a decade ago it was a largely unknown disease. Awareness is growing nowadays.
- There have been cases reported as young as 4 y.o.

- 2.7-5% have an onset in the pediatric age range, with onset generally being in the teenage years. Under age 10 represent about 0.2% to 0.9% of the total number of cases.
- The incidence in Israel is 0.1/100,000.
- Similar to adults with MS, girls are disproportionately represented, though ratios vary with age. Female-to-male ratios:

Children, in contrast to adults, almost exclusively present with relapsing-remitting disease.

Is the disease less or more aggressive in children?

- Progress to significant disability is much slower in children in the same follow up time.
- There is a more active inflammatory process. Second attack at a shorter time interval and <u>higher relapse rate during first years.</u>
- Recovery from relapse is also more rapid.
- Brain plasticity in children allows better recovery from damage.





We don't know who will progress and how soon

First neurological event

CIS





Second neurological event

MS



Why do we want to know who will progress and who won't?

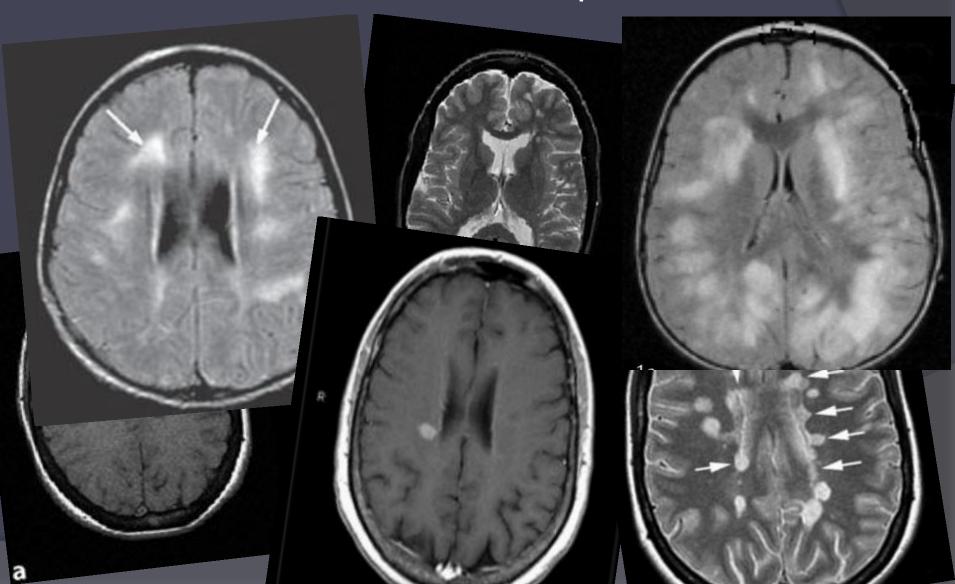
Diagnose & treat early

Children progress slowly, but they become disabled at a younger age. Starting sooner makes them gain disability in their 20's-40's.



Currently, for the child who presents with a first inflammatory demyelinating event, we are <u>unable to</u> <u>predict</u> if he will subsequently remain asymptomatic or develop the lifelong disease of MS.

Our study is looking for parameters in MRI that can answer these questions



The study

MRI – why?



The study



• MRI is a <u>sensitive, non-invasive, no radiation</u> means of tracking MS pathology. Pediatric patients are scanned periodically, what makes these characteristics to be of such value.

- The questions we want to answer:
 - What are the differences in the MRI of children that developed RRMS to those who did not?
 - 2. What can the first MRI of a patient tell us about his future?

1st Stage

Patients between 0-20 y/o since 1995

127 patients

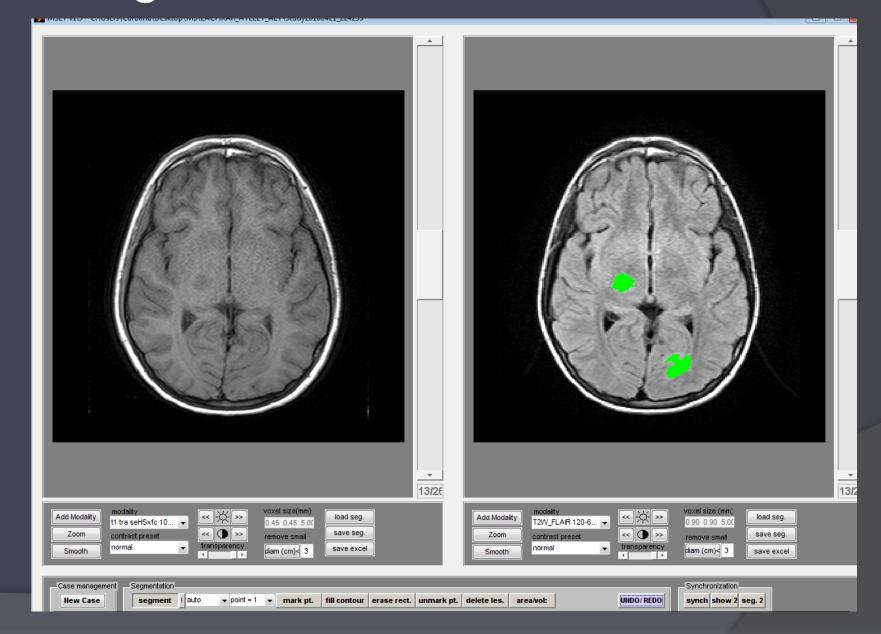
High quality MRI's since 2007

62 patients

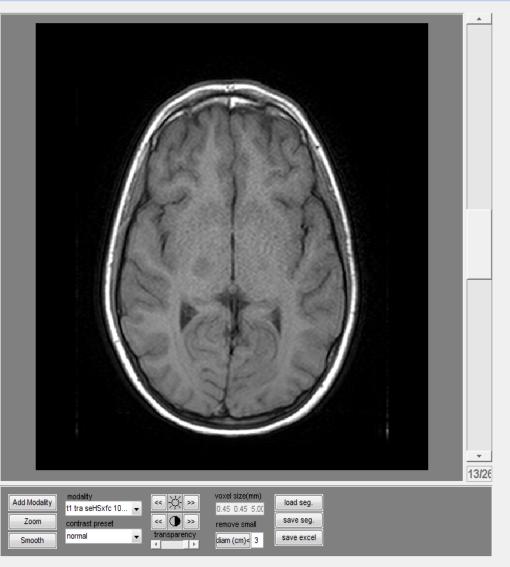
Analysis of 2 scans for each patient:

- 1. MRI around CIS diagnosis
- 2. MRI around MS diagnosis

2nd Stage





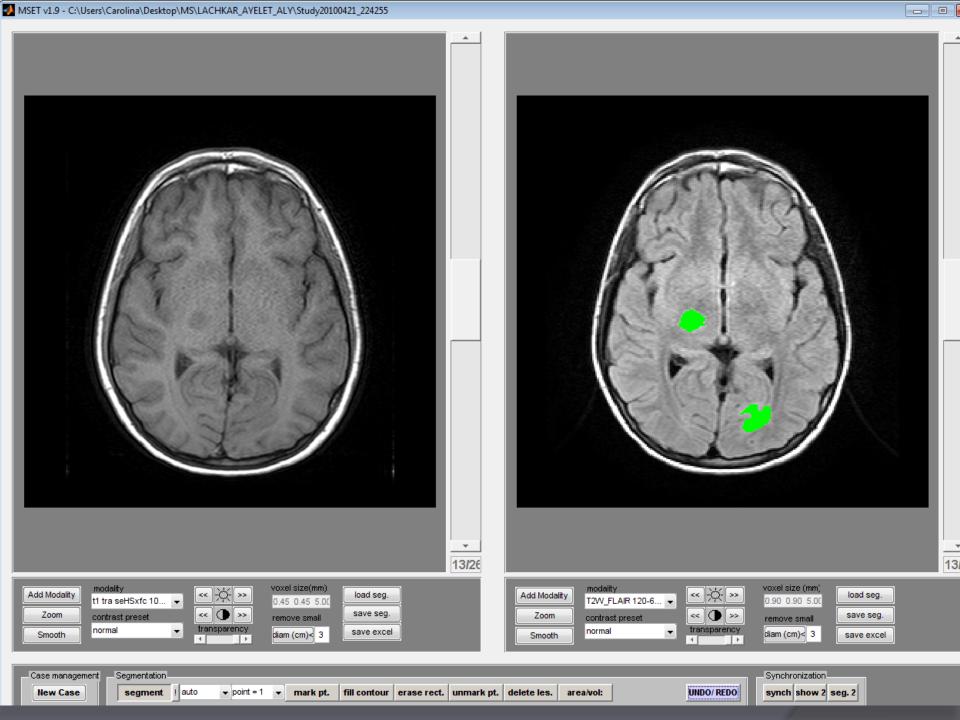


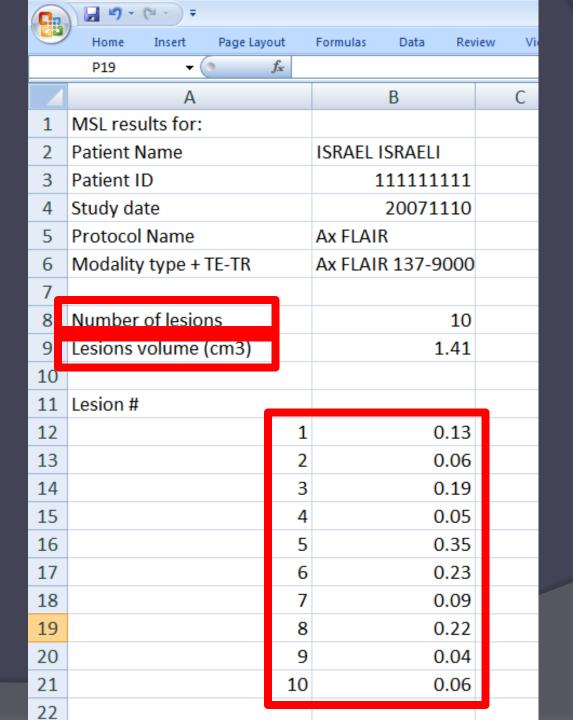












Lesion count - manual

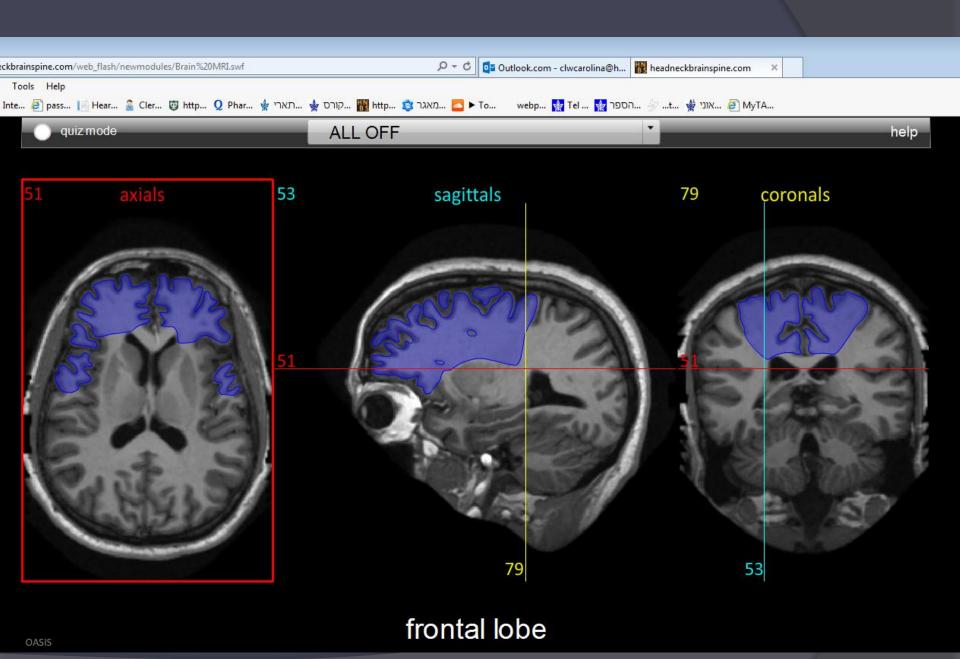
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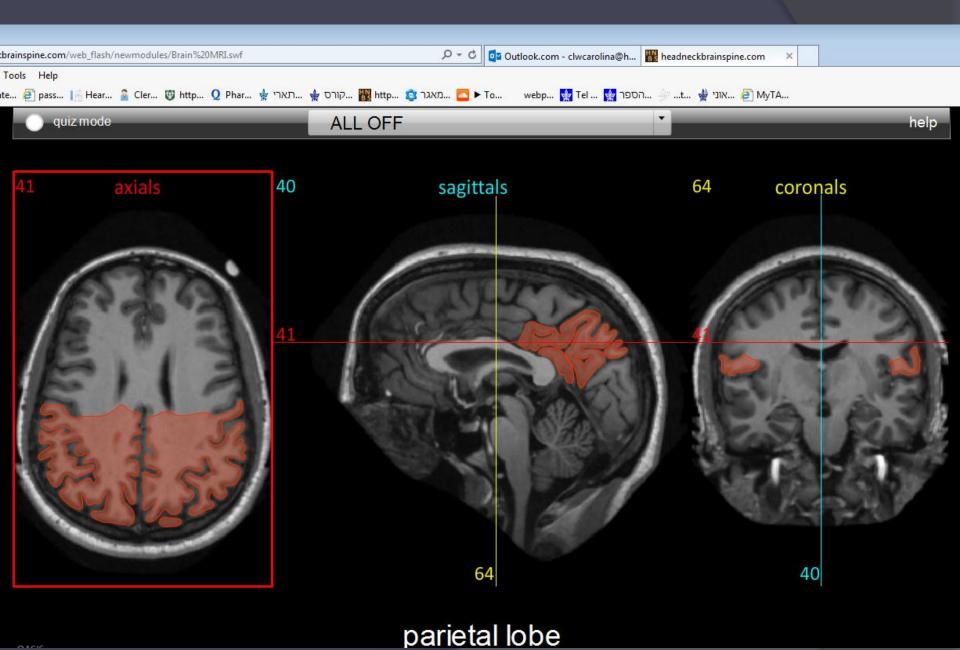
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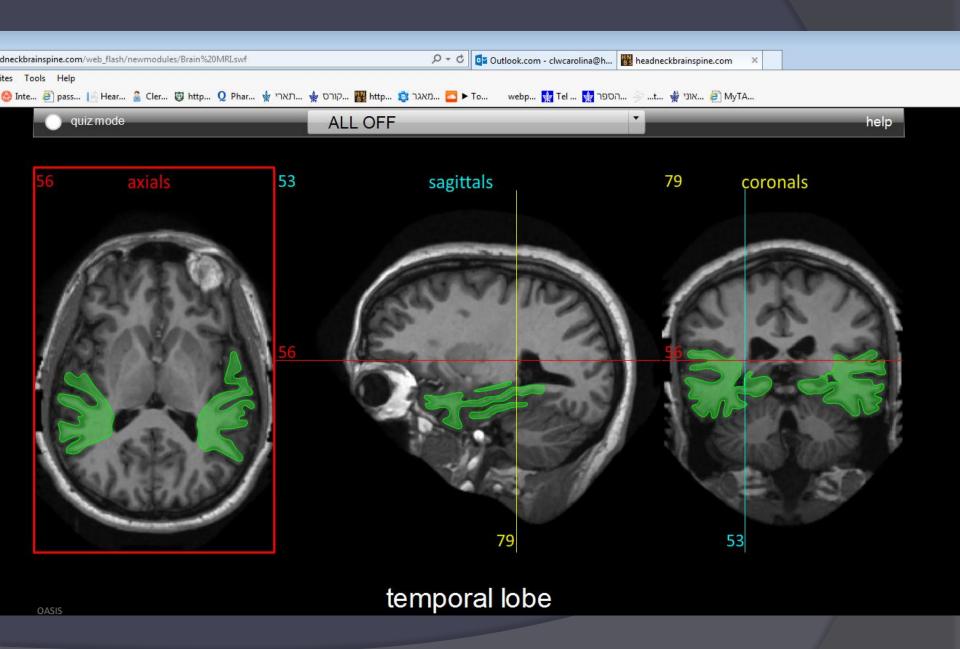


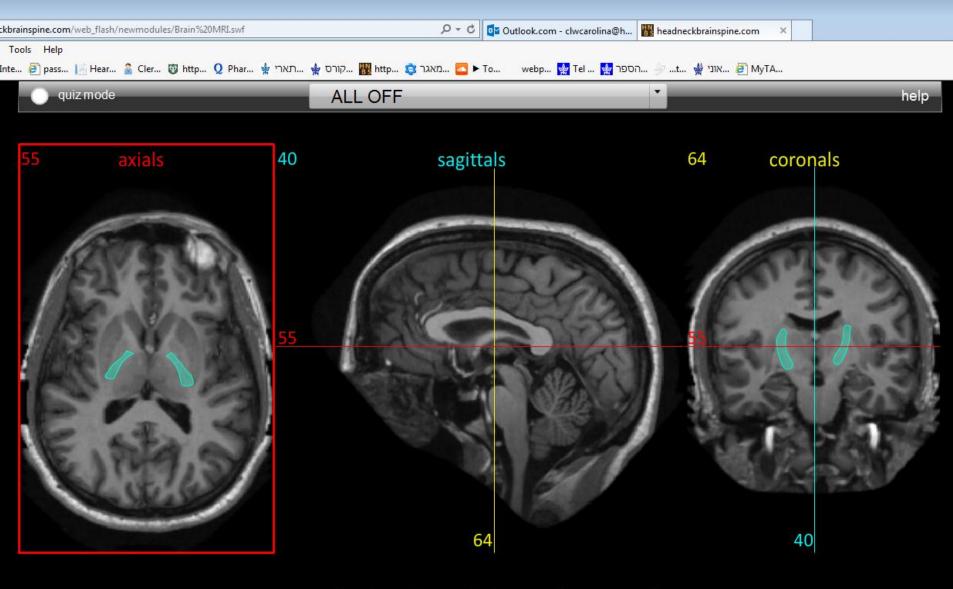
How can we know the lesion location?



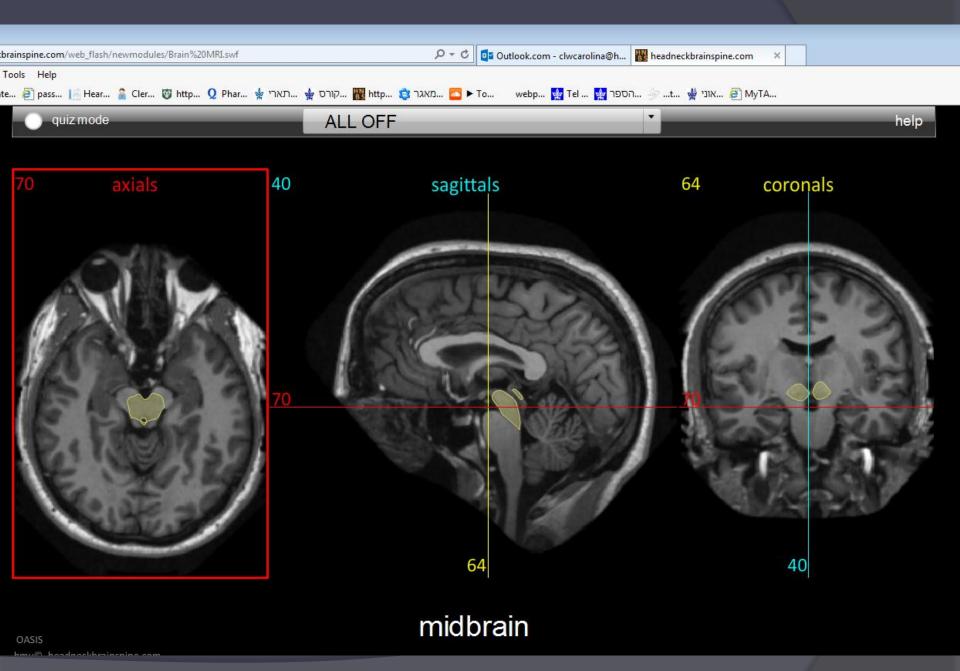








posterior limb internal capsule

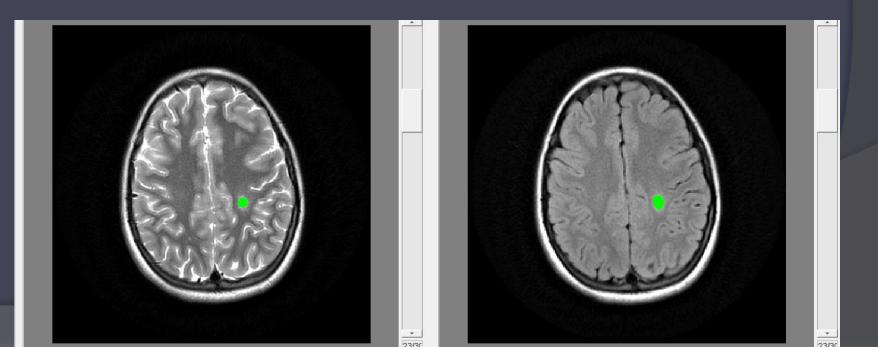


Assesing the degree of accuracy

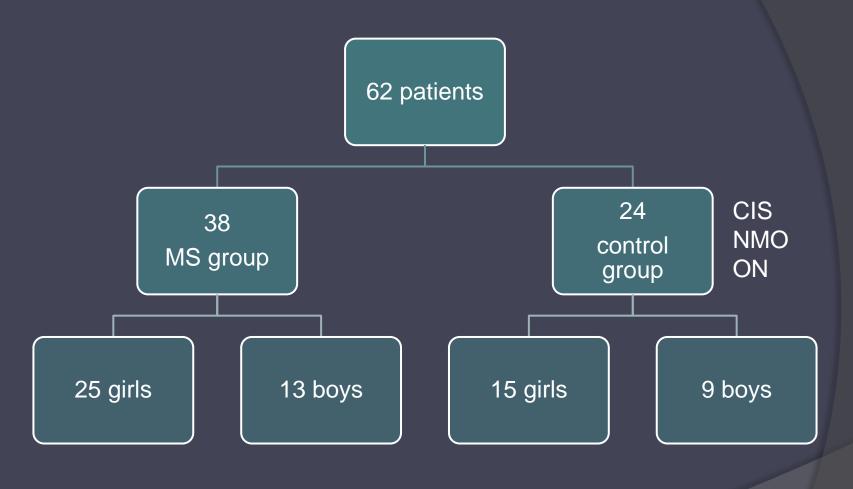
- 1. Comparison to MSET count.
- Comparison to the radiologists analysis.
- 3. Review of a random sample of patients.
- 4. Comparison to the count of the technician at the MS Center.

What data do we have?

- 1. Number of lesions
- Location of lesions
- 3. Volume of each lesion and total volume of lesions



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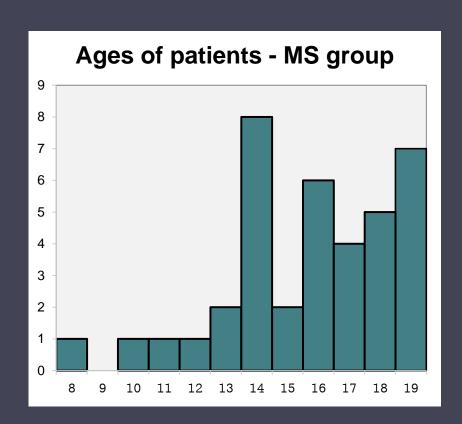


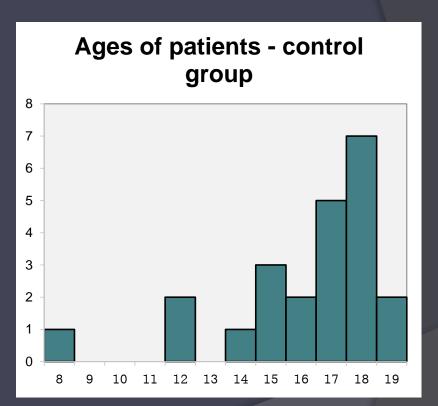
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How do we know if our groups are comparable?

How to normalize data?

Age at CIS

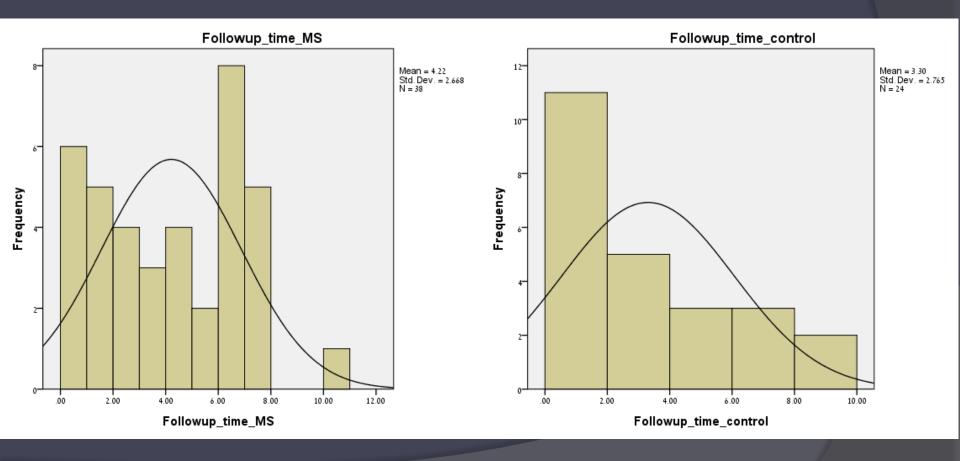




Follow up time

MS group

control group

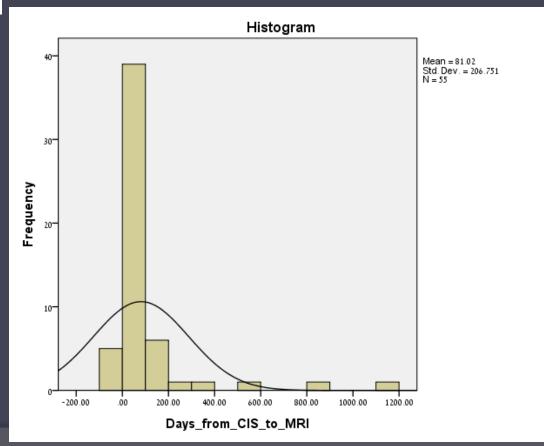


Time from CIS to 1st MRI

CIS

6 months 1 year

Is the first MRI close enough to CIS?



Normalizing – difficulties

Patient O.

12 y.o. girl presented with unspecific symptoms (vertigo) that resumed after fluid reconstitution and rest.

This is her MRI:



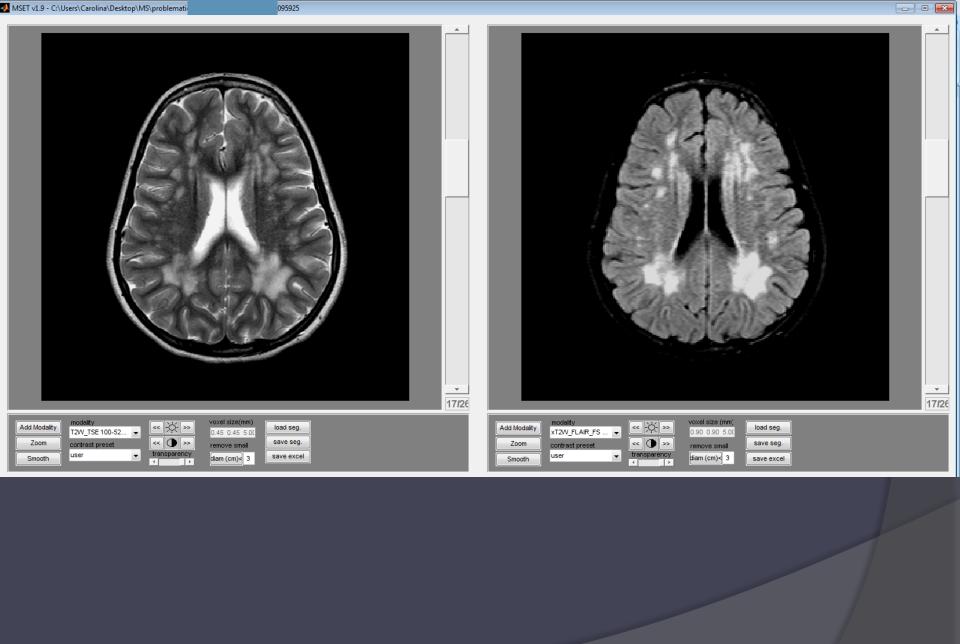














Do these lesions look like MS?

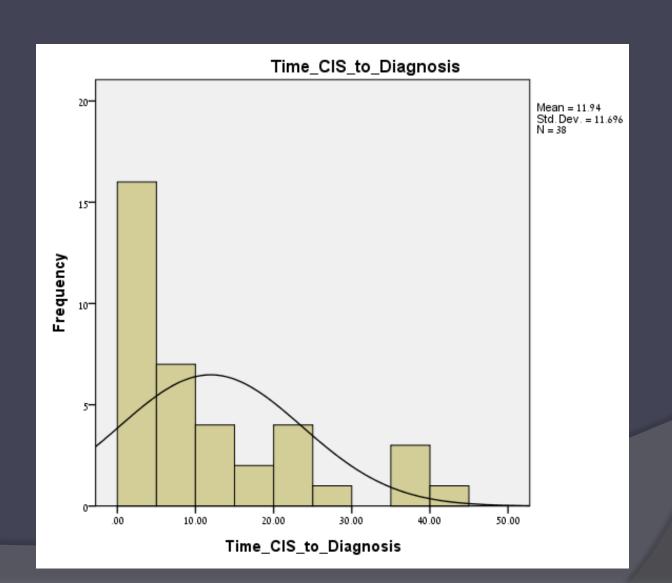
What does it look like?

Leukodystrophy?

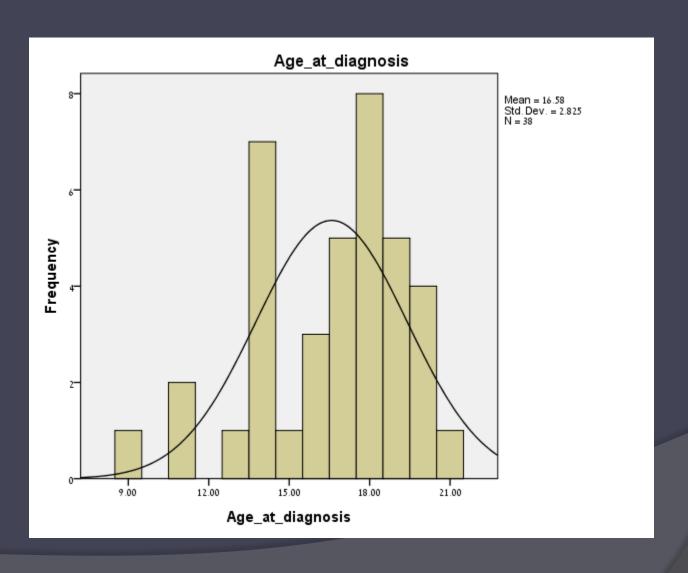
Metabolic disease?

Patient was taken out of study.

How quick is progression?



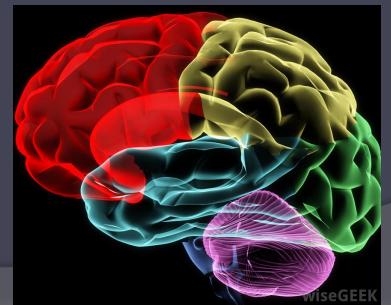
Age at MS diagnosis



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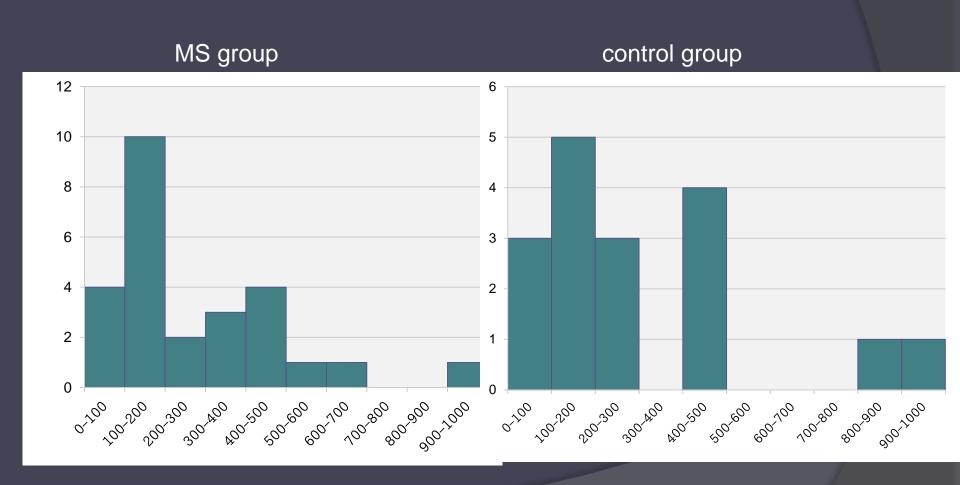
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J	ממוצע בדיקה שנייה בביקורת	6	1	2	3	0	1	1	7	1	2	3	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
רת	ממוצע בדיקה ראשונה בביקוו	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
J	ממוצע בדיקה שנייה בביקורת	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

		T2 Total		T1 Total	Gad Total	
	ממוצע כל בדיקות החולים	12.6	13.0	1.9	2.1	
	ממוצע כל בדיקות הביקורת	4.1	4.0	0.7	0.1	
D	ממוצע בדיקה ראשונה בחולי	11	11	2	2	
J	ממוצע בדיקה שנייה בביקורו	13	14	2	2	
רת	ממוצע בדיקה ראשונה בביקו	5	5	1	0	
J	ממוצע בדיקה שנייה בביקורן	3	3	1	0	

Time from MRI #1 to MRI #2



Something to think about...

Little is known about the ethiology of MS. Because children may be closer to the inciting events in MS, research pediatric MS may hold the key to understanding the cause of the disease itself.

Thank you for listening.