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Reproducibility of facial landmarks and dosage measurements

for EOS®- a low dosage X-ray

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EOS[®]: The 1992 Nobel Prize for Physics was awarded

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to : Professor **Georges Charpak**, France, École Supérieure de Physique et Chimie, Paris and CERN, Geneva, Switzerland, for a high energy particle detector.

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Digital cephalometric imaging device: CS 9300, Carestream- (CBCT and panoramic) with additional Cephalometric feature.

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The digital cephalometric imaging feature:

Part of the CS 9300, Carestream, Rochester New York, USA



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Protocol CS 9300



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EOS[®] captures simultaneous frontal and lateral headto-toe images of patients in the upright, weight-

bearing position.

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- Universitätsspital Basel EOS® uses two perpendicular X-ray beams collimated in two very thin, horizontal, fanshaped beams allong with two detectors.





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48 biplanar radiographs intended previously for the study of scoliosis with different positions of the upper extremities.

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To two observers identified 38 landmarks two times with at least a time interval of two weeks. (2-2-2)

The landmarks were placed digitally in a 2D reference system.

Intraoperator repeatability and interoperator reproducibility were evaluated for each landmark. Furthermore, intraclass correlation coefficients (ICC) were calculated for each landmark.

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Posteroanterior view

(SF): where the smaller wing of the sphenoid bone crosses the medial orbital ridge
(ANS) Anterior nasal spine: the centre point at the base of the nose
(J) Jugulare: the most superior and medial point of the zygomatic buttress
(M) Mastoid: the most inferior point of the mastoid point
(A): the contact area between the maxillary incisors
(B): the contact area between the mandibular incisior
(Go) Gonion: the most inferior posterior point at the angle of the mandible
(Me) Menton: the most inferior point at the anterior mandibular area
(CH): the most inferior lateral point on the anterior inferior border of the mandible
(C2): upper border of the odontoid process
Lateral view
(G) Glabella: the most anterior point of the frontal bone
(N) Nasion: the most anterior point on the frontal nasal suture in the midsagittal plane
(Or) Orbitale: the lowest point on the inferior orbital rim
(S) Sella: the centre of the sella turcia, as on the lateral cephalogram, which is located by inspection
(Ptm) Pterygomaxillare: the apex of the teardrop-shaped pterygomaxillary fissure (lowest point of opening)
(ANS) Anterior nasal spine: anterior tip of the nasal spine
(PNS) Posterior nasalspine: the most posterior aspect of the palate bone
(A)-point or subspinale: the most posterior midline point in the concavity where the lower anterior adage of the anterior nasal spine meets the alveolar bone overlying the maxillary incisor
(B)-point, or supramentale: the most posterior midline point in the concavity of the mandible between the alveolar bone overlying the mandible incisors (infradentale) and the pogonion Pogoinion (Pog): the most anterior point of the chin
(Go) Gonion: the point defined by using two lines, one tangent to the inferior border of the ramus; found
by bisecting the angle formed by the two lines and extending the bisectors through the curvature of the mandible
(Gn) Ganthion: the lowest, most anterior midline point on the symphysis of the mandible (midway between the menton and the pogonion)
(Me) Menton: the most inferior point on the symphysis of the mandible in the midline
(Po) Porion: the most superior point of the external auditory meatus; the machine porion is the uppermost point on the outline of the rods of the cephalometer
(Co) Condylion: the most posterosuperior point on the head of the condyle
(C2): upper border of the odontoid process

Landmarks according to the description provided in Reyneke JP (2003) Essentials of Orthognathic Surgery, Quintessence Publishing Co, pp 43-60; for both views, the landmark 'C2' was added to represent the odontoid process.

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Full spine Protocol:

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- Universitätsspital Basel Frontal tube voltage 90 kV Frontal tube current 250 mA Frontal DAP 716 mGy cm2 Lateral tube voltage 105 kV Lateral tube current 320 mA Lateral DAP 1082 mGy cm2 Morphology Adult Scanned length 76 cm Scanning speed 5 Acquisition time 12.5 s



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Scoliosis, reason why the images were acquired

EOS® image. Posteroanterior and lateral images with landmarks of a patient. The orthodontic device is clearly visible without artefacts.

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Interoperator and intraoperator test-retest reliability was overall greater than 0.91, except for the lateral orbital which was 0.86.

- Other landmarks showed slightly lower but still very good repeatability.
- Assessment of the facial skeleton's anatomical landmarks using the EOS[®] system is precise and radiological diagnostics of the facial skeleton is well possible.

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EOS imaging system can be considered a valuable option for the assessment of facial skeletal deformities or trauma.

EOS[®] Aim für the future: 3D

\rightarrow Today \rightarrow low dosage 3D \rightarrow CBCT



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→ Universitätsspital Basel The EOS[®] imaging for the spine can also be used for assessing the facial skeleton.

Reduction of radiation is essential since the radiation dosage accumulates through a lifetime. Especially children with scoliosis accumulate high dosages. Children who need continuous followups with imaging (e.g. idiopathic scoliosis) show more often asymmetric features of malocclusion.

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Part B

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Dosage measurements: performed with the Alderson Phantom

Alderson Phantom: molded of tissue-equivalent material



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Small thin-layer thermoluminescence dosimeter pills which were embedded in available openings and on

the facial surface.

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The analysis of the dosimeter was performed by the SUVA (Swiss National Accident Insurance).

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Dosage measurements of the EOS[®] showed higher dosage measurements in comparison to the CS 9300 cephalometric imaging.

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20,0 18,0 16,0 14,0 12,0 FRS 10,0 EOS sag EOS sag&cor 8,0 6,0 4,0 2,0 0,0 2 3 5 6 7 8 9 10 1 4

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FRS: 0,02, E s&c: 0,453 E s: 0,413



FRS: 0,02 E s&c: 0,453 E s: 0,413

FRS: 0,01 E s&c: 0,223 E s: 0,140

FRS: 0,017 E s&c: 0,203 E s: 0,157

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Measurements in msV

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FRS: 0,127

EOS s: 0,467

EOS s& c: 0,493

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FRS: 0,037 EOS s& c: 0,117 EOS s: 0,110

Measurements in msV

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- The EOS[®] proofed to be precise for the assessment of facial anatomical landmarks.
 Available scans of the captured face (e.g. due to
 - orthopaedic imaging of the spine) should be forwarded to the treating dentist, orthodontist or maxillofacial surgeon.
- Due to the higher dosage, it shouldn't be first choice
 - for lateral cephalometric imaging.

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Thank you very much for your attention!

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"Judging by your X-rays, I'd say you've been exposed to too much radiation."

