

# VICTIM PATHOLOGIES OF THE PANDEMIC. SEVERE ACQUIRED HYPOTHYROIDISM

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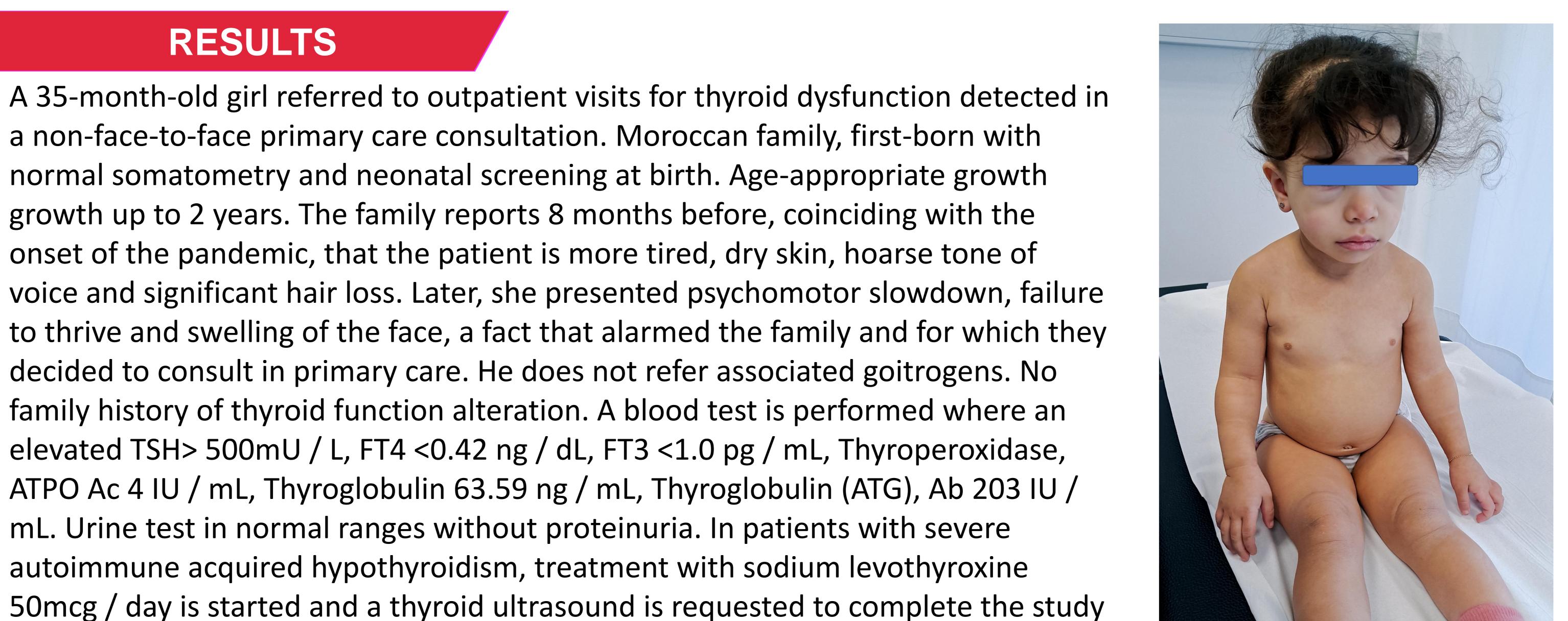


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#### INTRODUCTION

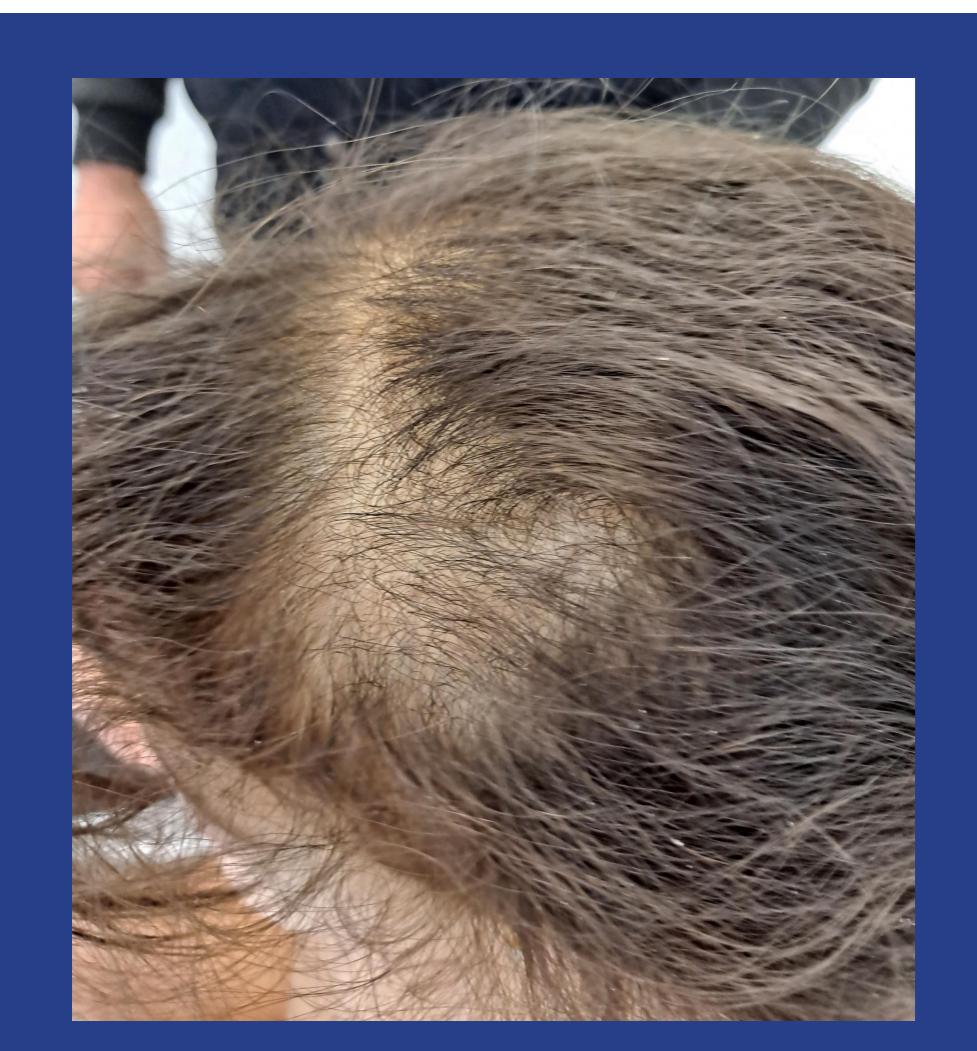
In the last year, the pediatric services have seen a reduction of up to 50% of the consultations and 1/3 of the admissions to the hospitalization ward; However, the existence of other pathologies cannot be forgotten despite the current situation, such as hypothyroidism, diabetic ketoacidosis, short stature, precocious puberty, etc., as far as endocrinology is concerned.

Difficulty in accessing primary care, non-contact visits, along with the fear of families to go to the health field, can lead to a delay in the diagnosis of important pathologies. According to INE 2020 (National Institute of Statistics), there is an increase in mortality in Spain not directly attributable to COVID19 infections.









## CONCLUSIONS

where findings compatible with thyroiditis are observed.

Acquired hypothyroidism is the most common cause of thyroid disease in childhood and adolescence. It is produced by several causes, among which are autoimmune processes, or iodine deficiency. Thyroid hormones are essential for most body functions to be carried out; therefore, early diagnosis of this pathology is crucial.

As pediatricians we must be attentive to alarm symptoms, be careful in the telematic assistance that is offered and, above all, assess if this is the most appropriate, since the essence of the "Lex artis" can be lost, observing and exploring our small patients..

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