

**PELVIC VEIN INSUFFICIENCY  
IN WOMEN PRESENTING WITH PERINEAL VARICES**

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# Pelvic vein syndrom

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**Pelvic pain**  
**Pelvic heaviness**  
**Irritabilité vésicale**  
**Constipation**  
**Varices vulvaires**  
**Hémorroïdes**

2

**Dyspareunya**

3

**varice pain**

**Just before or  
During the  
periods**

**Just after  
intercourse**

# **3 precise clinical signs :**

**Analogic scale 0.....10**

**1/ pelvic pain just before or  
during the periods**

**+ 0.....10**

**2/ Dyspareunya**

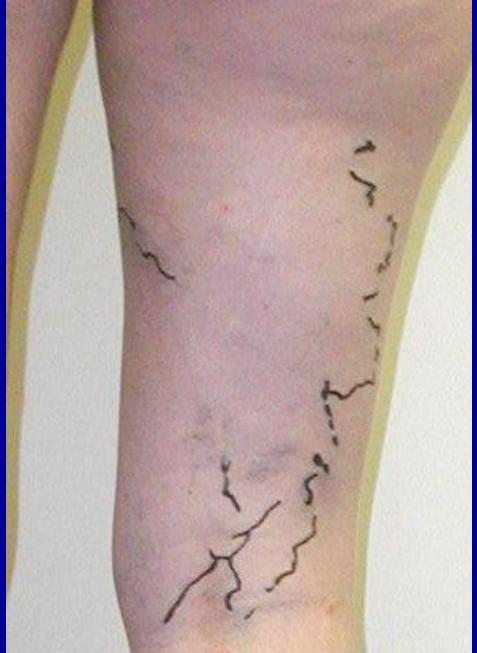
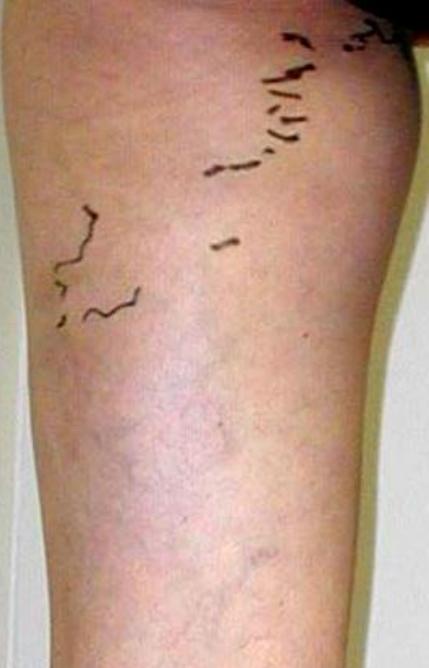
**+ 0.....10**

**3/ varice pain just before or  
during the periods**

**+ 0.....10**

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**PVI clinical score = 0.....30**



**Types of varices:**

**n=34**

**Perineal veins R/L**

**32**

**Sciatic vein**

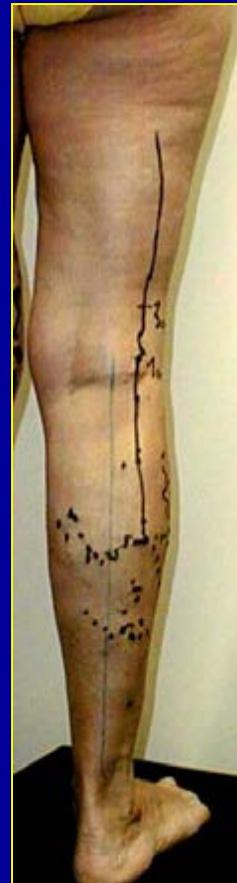
**1**

**Perforators on the buttock**

**1**

# Other varices associated With perineal varices :

<b>High perforators thigh buttock</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Sciatic veins</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Insufficiency of the SFJ + trunk</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Short saphenous</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Lymphoganglioni c veins</b>	<b>2</b>



**14 perineal veins + recurrences**  
**-13 in the same territory GSV**  
**-1 SSV**



**Angiome lateral aspect of the thigh : 2**

**Hémorroïdes : 72%**

**Varices vulvaires à l'accouchements : 45%**



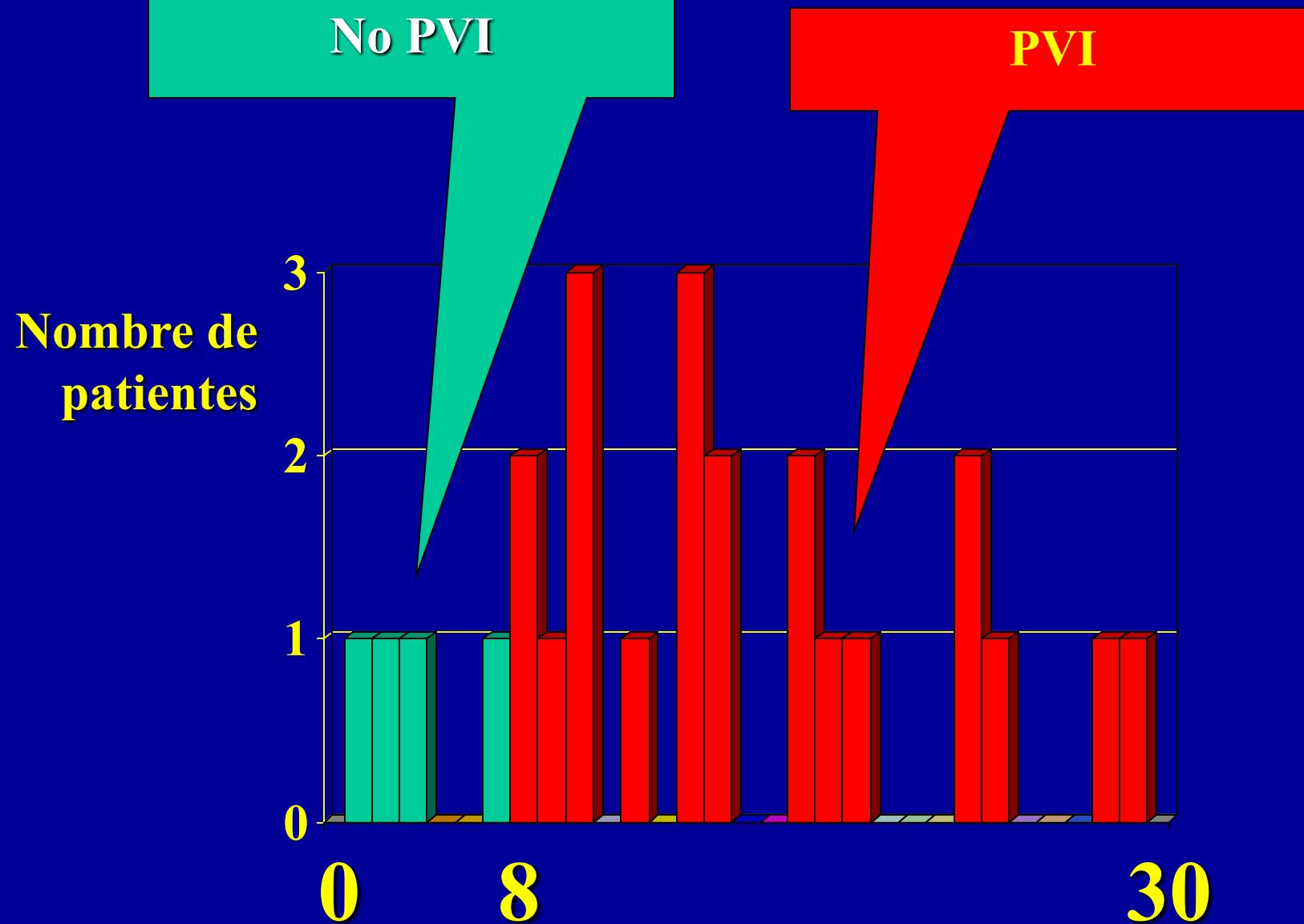
**Varices bilaterals 13**  
**Varices Left 10**  
**Varices Right 11**



# Correlation between clinical score, l'activité génitale and pelvic vein insufficiency

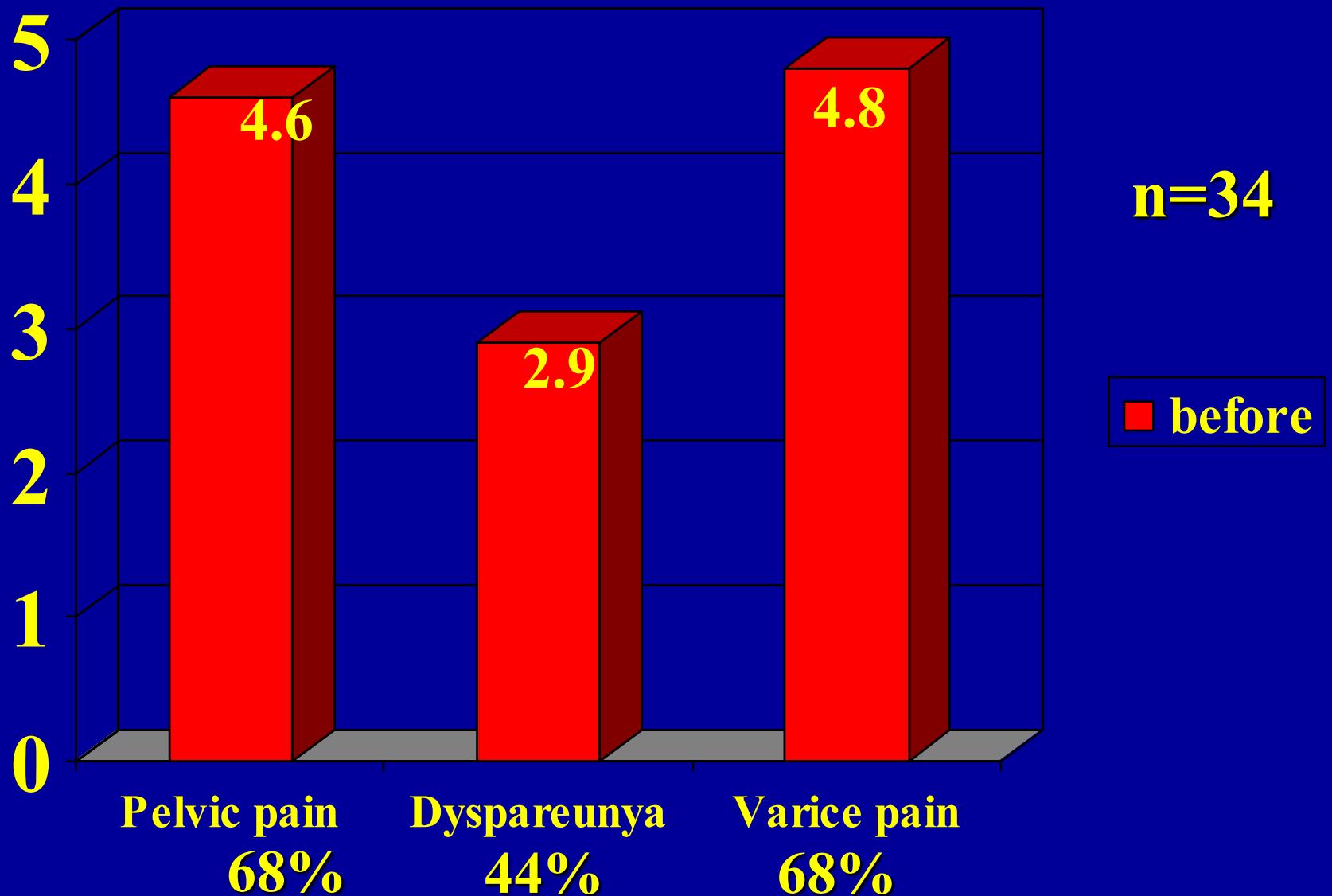
All = non-saphenous perineal veins

Women	n	age	score	Pelvic vein insufficiency	P
young	23	41	13.8	Yes	<.0094
young	4	37	4.7	No	
menopause	6	53	0.8	Yes	



Score clinique d'insuffisance veineuse pelvienne  
des femmes en activité génitale

## Score on the analogic scale (0/10)

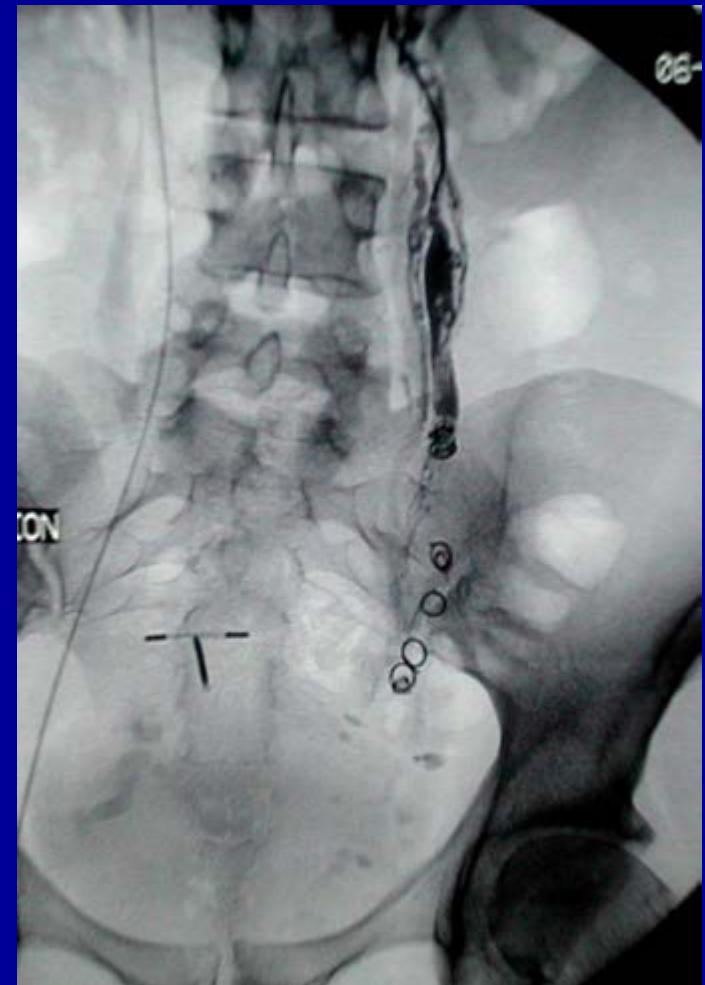


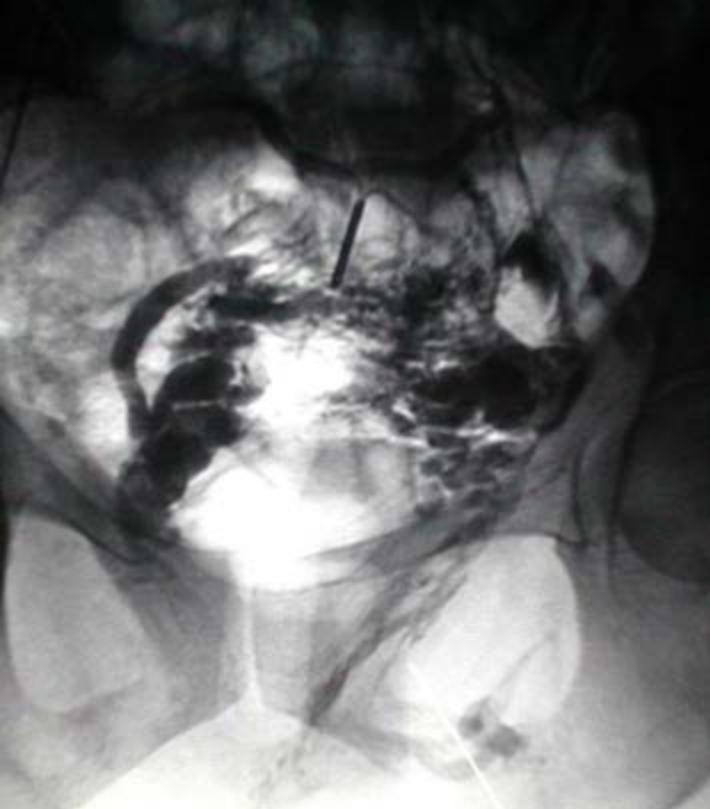


Pelvic vein exploration  
Salle angiographie  
Local anesthesia  
Femoral R : 24  
Femoral L : 4  
Femoral RL : 2  
6 coils



# Embolization of the left ovarian vein





**Reflux**

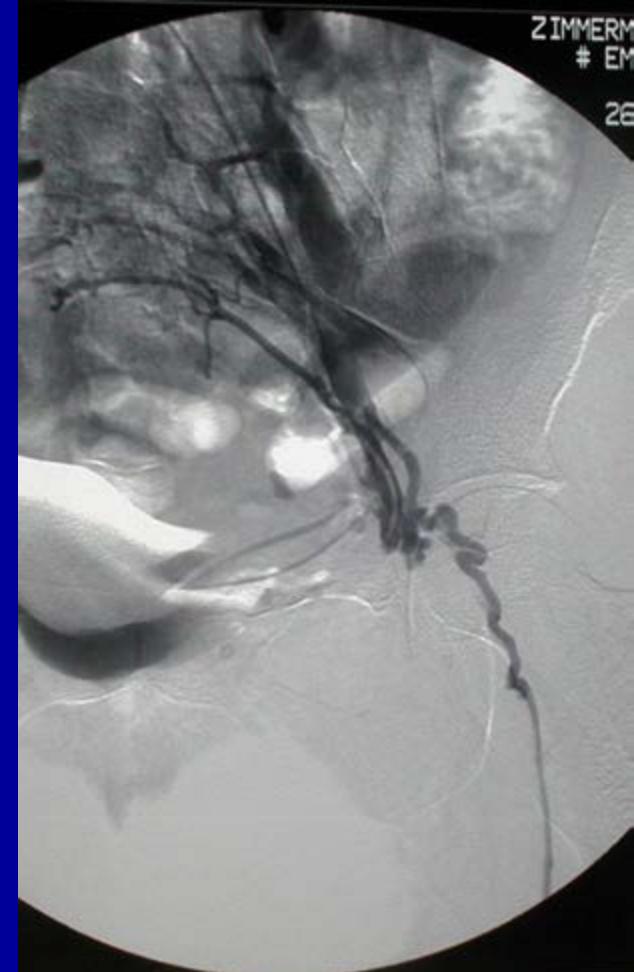
**Left ovarian vein :  
Enormous dilatation**

insufficiency  
Hypogastric  
R and L

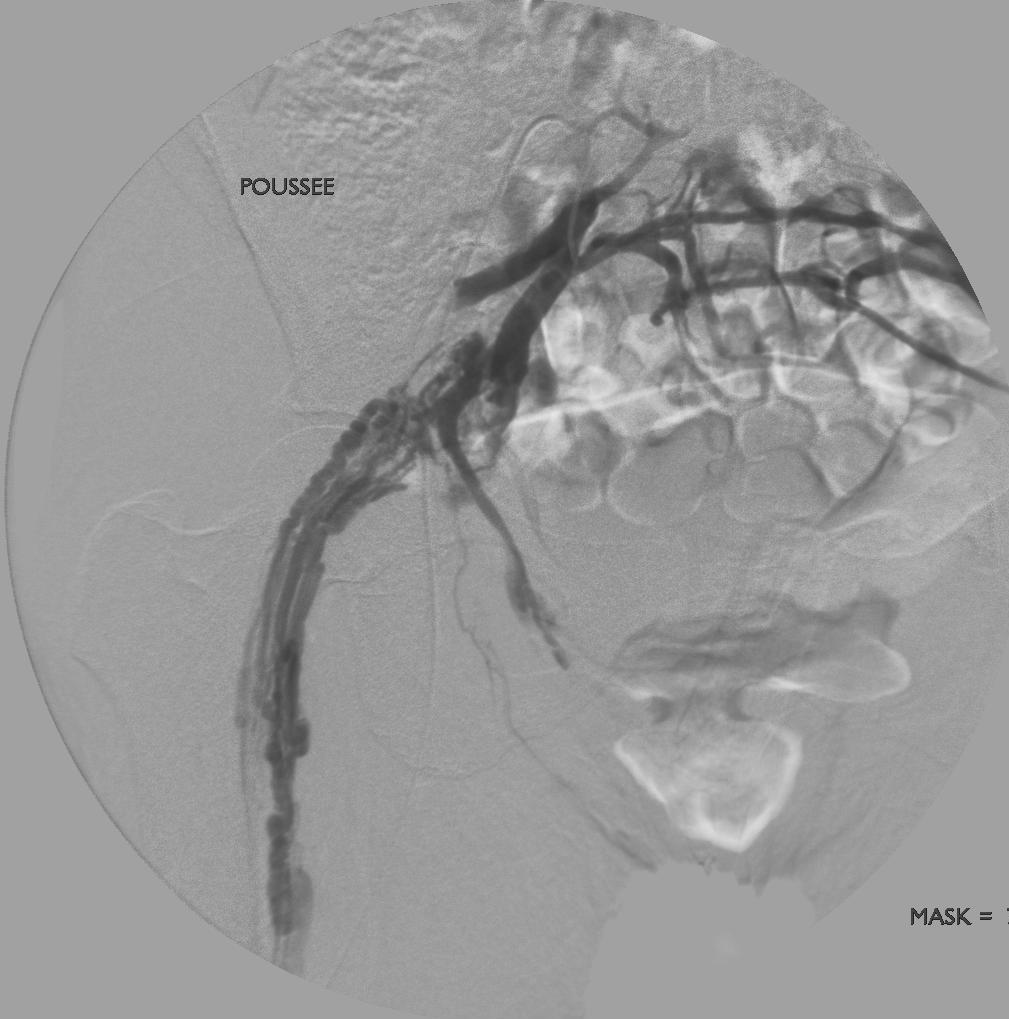


R

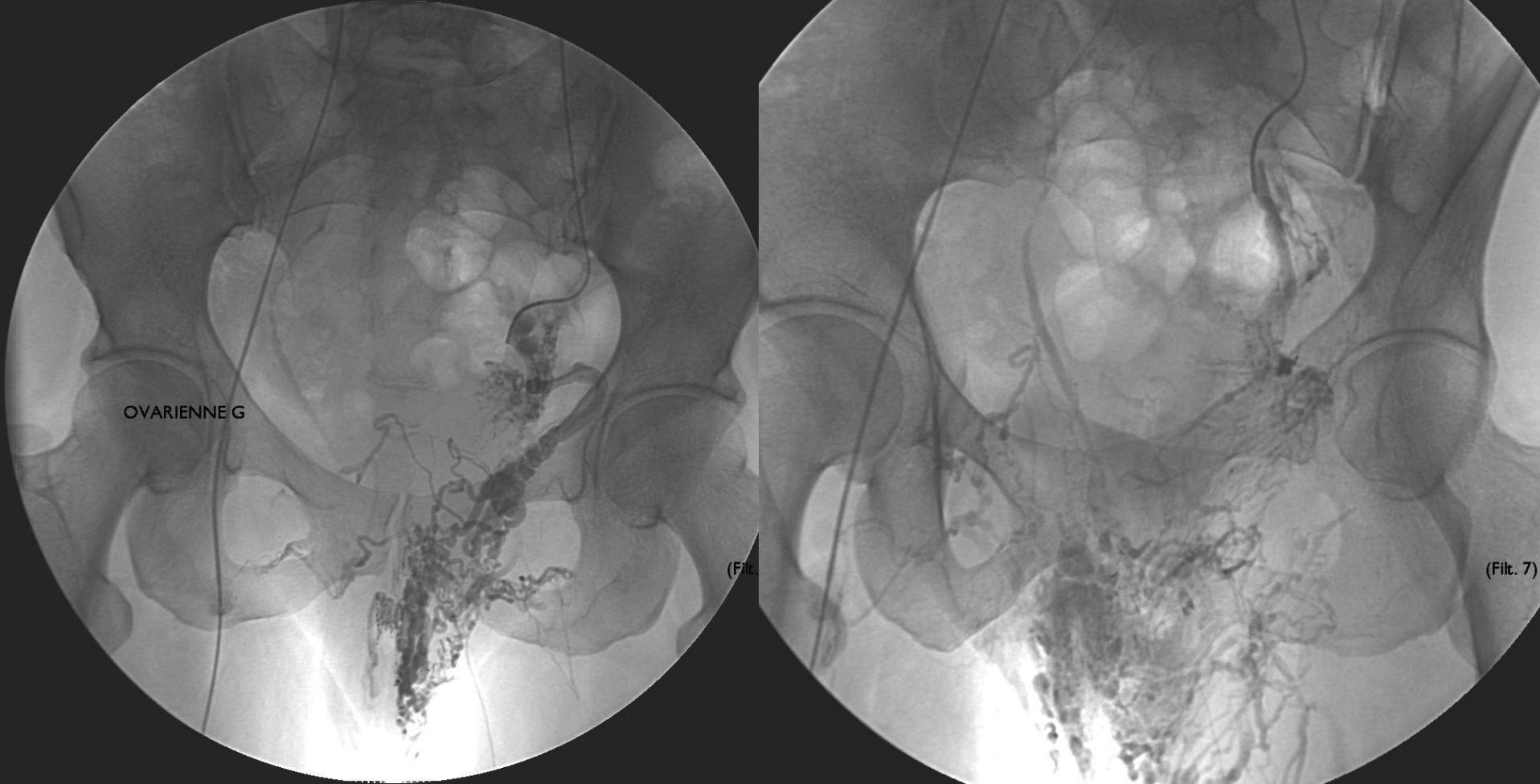
Perineal varices



L

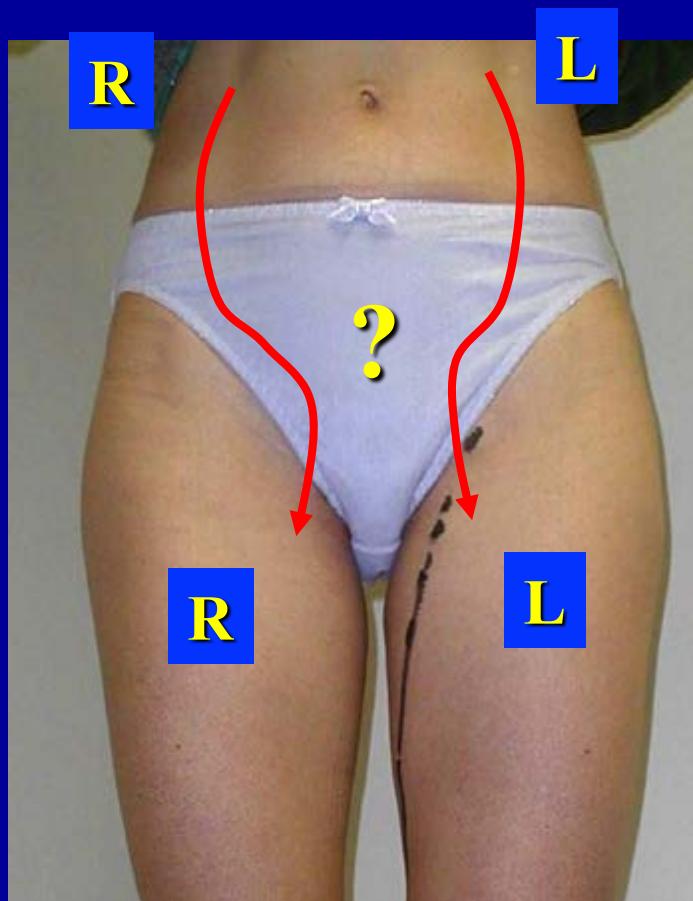


**Insufficiency of the sciatic vein  
Fed by the hypogastric vein**



# Vulvar varices

Could we guess the side and the type of PVI  
responsible for The perineal thigh varices ???



# Clinical corelation acording to the side of PVI

PVI

4 right

2 on both sides

29 left

4 R

10 R

2 R

7 on both sides

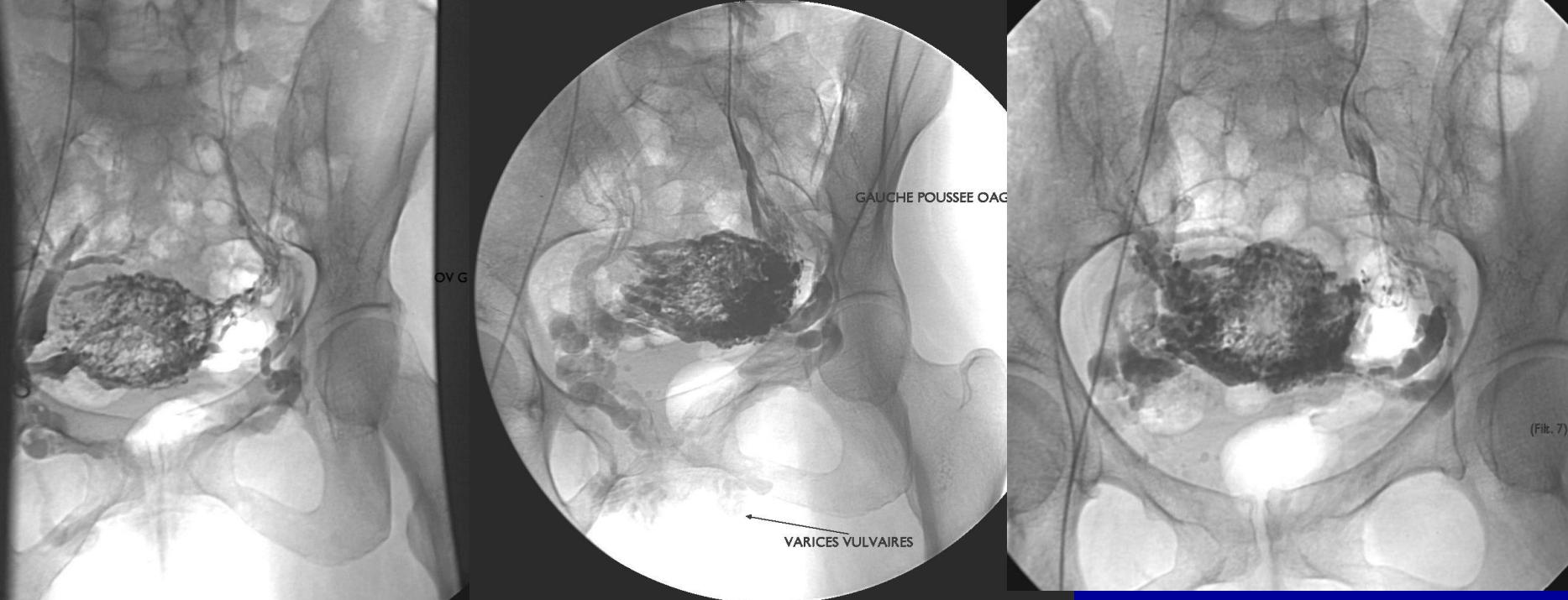
1 L

12 L

Perineal veins

## Clinical corelation according to the side of the PVI

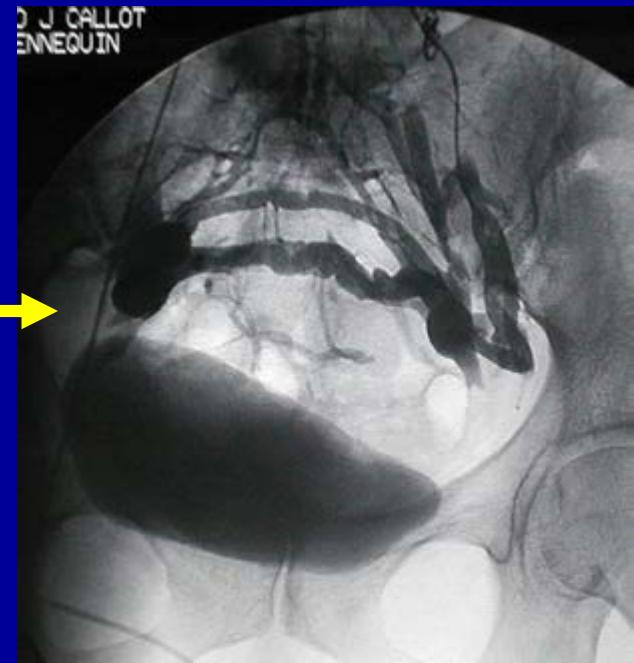
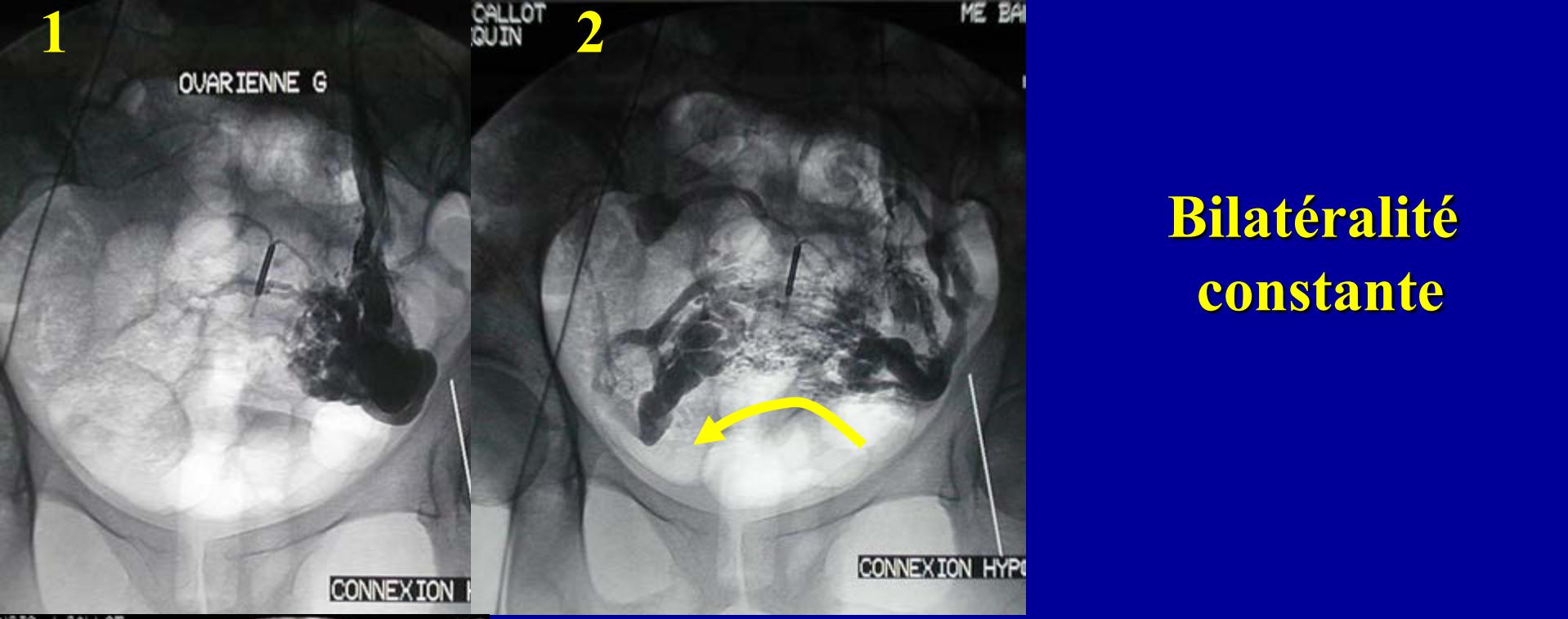
Side	Left varices	Right varices	Varices on both sides
29 Left PVI	12	10	7
4 right PVI	1	4	0
2 IVP on both sides	0	2	0



**Enormous left varicocele**

**Crossing to the left**

Pieri A. et al. *Phlébologie* 1999;5:45-51



# Corrélation anatomo-clinique en antéro-postérieure ?

Veine périnéale D

VOG 7  
VOD  
VOG + Hypo D  
Hypo D

Veine périnéale G

VOG 1+ Hypo G  
Hypo D  
VOG 5  
Hypo G

Veine périnéale D+G

VOG + Hypo G  
VOG 3  
Hypo D+G  
Hypo G

Sciatique G

VOG+Hypo G

Sciatique D

Hypo D

Hypo D

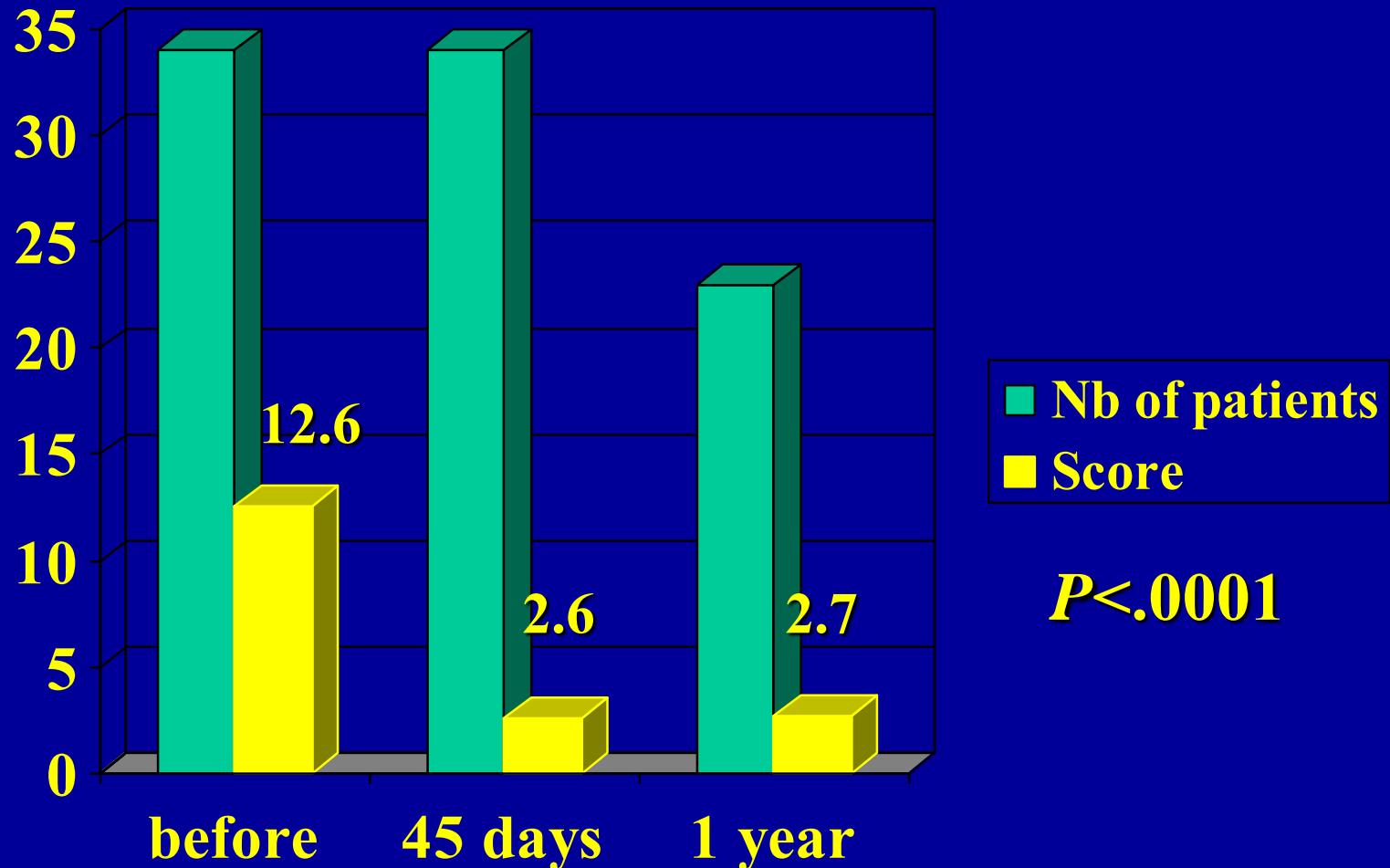
# Clinical corelation according to the anterior and posterior side (ovaric or hypogastric)

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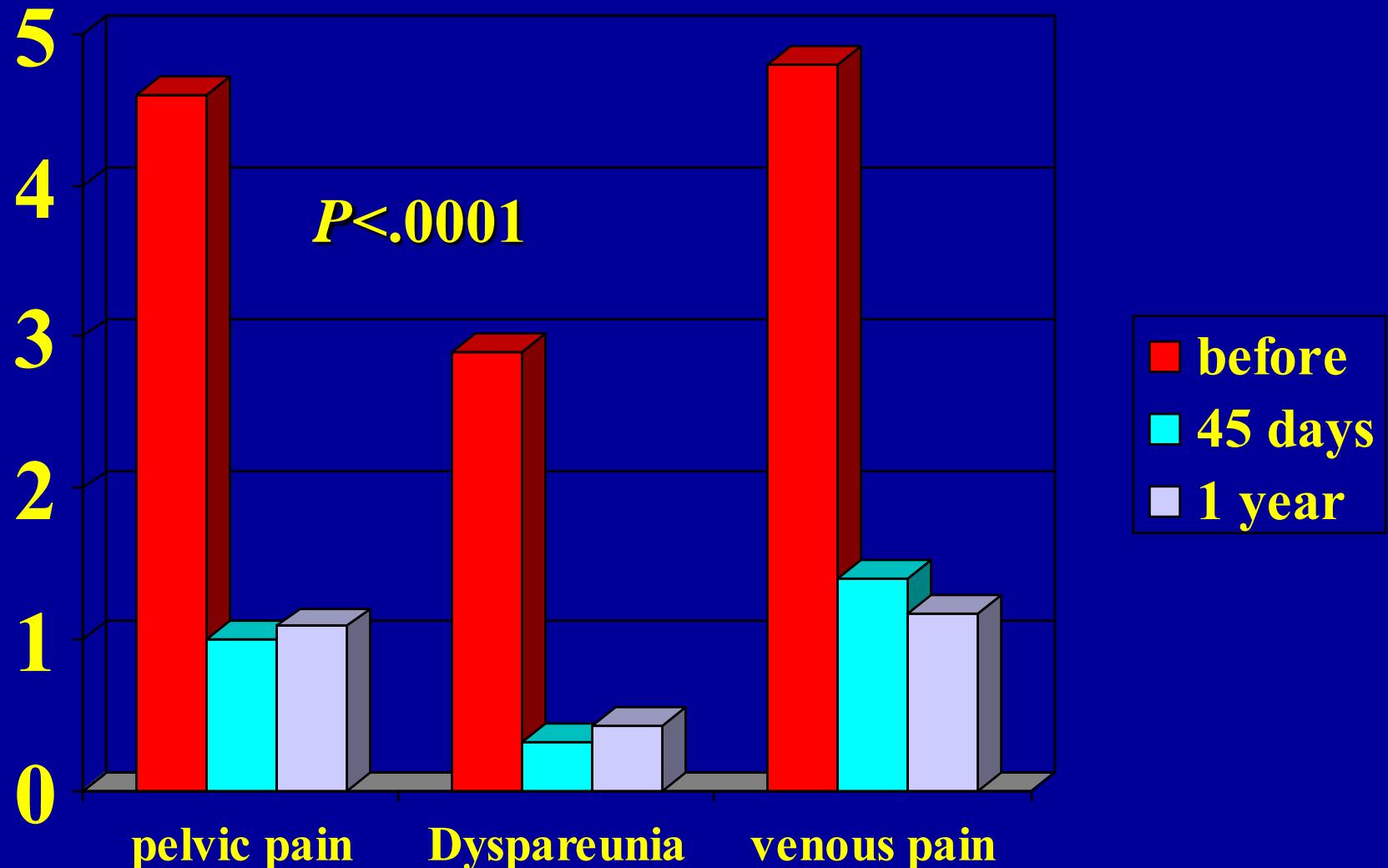
Varices	Ovaric source	Hypogastric source	Ovaric + hypogastric source
8 L perineal V	5	2	1
10 R perineal V	8	1	1
6 R+L perineal V	3	2	1
1 R sciatic vein		1	
2 L sciatic V		1	1

# Result clinical Score

Clinic and duplex examination : same analogic scale



# Clinical evaluation on analogic scale



# Conclusion

Non-saphenous varices thigh

1 pelvic pain before / periods  
2 varices pain before / periods

3 Dyspareunia

Clinical score > 8

certainly pelvic vein insufficiency



**symptoms** are good signs of pelvic vein insufficiency in young women

There is **NO** anatomo-clinical correlation  
Between **Varices** and **pelvic vein insufficiency**

The **4 pelvic vein wayS** should be systematically explored

**Multiple embolizations** proved to be **more effective**

**Results** very **satisfying** on the symptoms

**Results on the recurrences** no assessed