

Table 1. Summary of background of the patients

Group	No. of pts.	Sex	Age group	Age at diagnosis of GHD (y.o.)	Height (cm)	Body weight (kg)	BMI (%)	Periods between diagnosi and GH introduction (months)	Thyroid suppl.	Steroid suppl.	Testosteron suppl.	Anti- hyperlipi- demia
A	34	M	<60	47.6±8.4	165.9±7.6	71.7±21.7	25±7.2	5.3±4.3	60%	70%	30%	30%
B	14	M	≥60	66±4.9	164.9±7.4	70.3±12.9	25.9±4.5	7.9±5.1	79%	71%	36%	36%
C	19	F	<60	47.3±11.3	156.4±5.1	62.1±8.9	25.4±3.3	8.6±13.1	89%	79%	0%	78%
D	16	F	≥60	67.2±5.8	153.4±5.8	55.5±11.5	23.6±4.6	7.9±7.5	81%	75%	0%	63%

Results are presented as mean ± SD.

A group: Male, under 60 years old; B group: Male, more than 60 years old; C group: Female, under 60 years old; D group: Female, more than 60 years old.

BMI: body mass index; GH: growth hormone; GHD: growth hormone deficiency; pts: patients; Suppl.: supplementation; y.o.: years old.