Senegal



Country report card - children

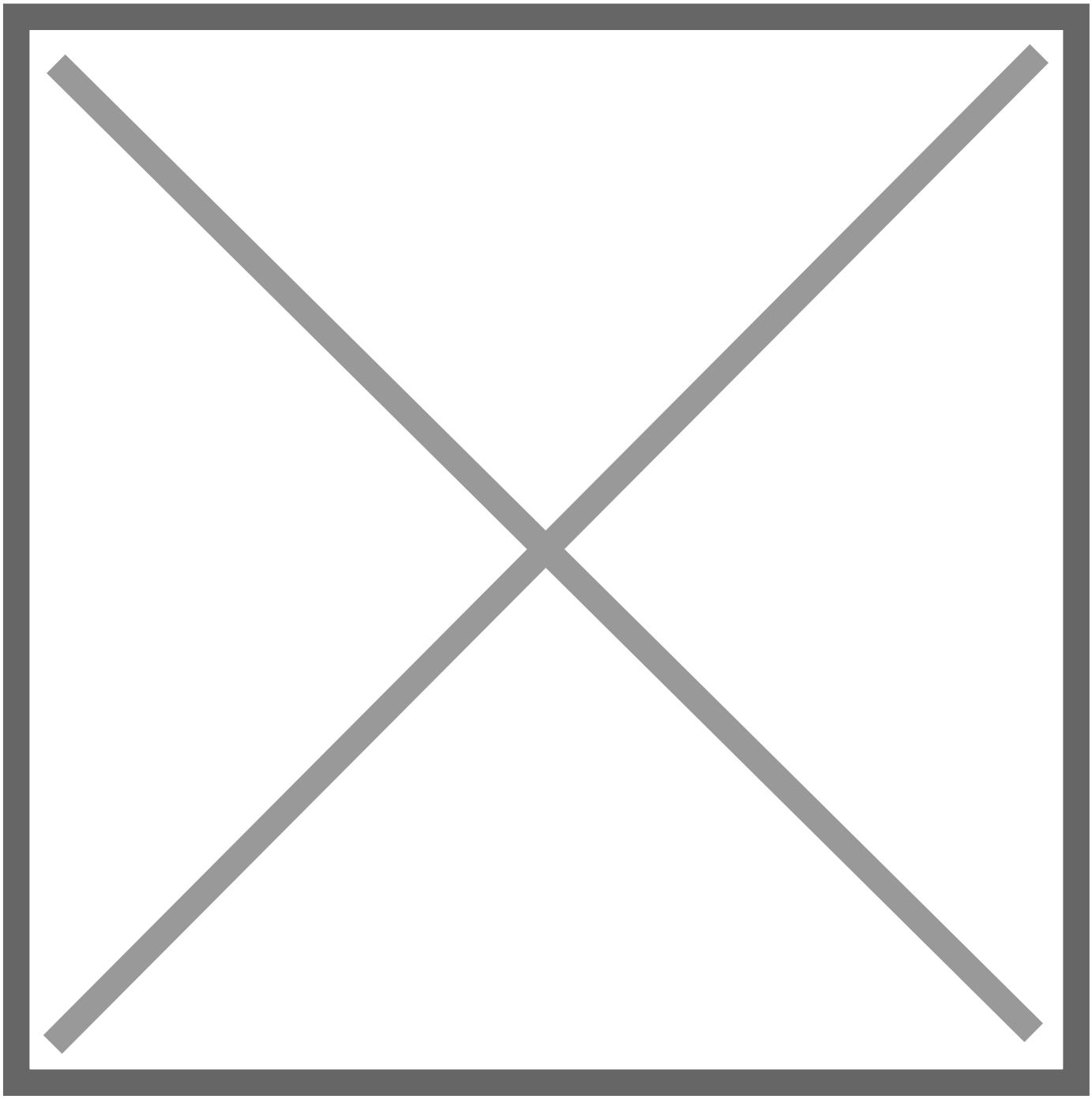
This report card contains the latest data available on the Global Obesity Observatory on overweight and obesity for children, including adolescents (aged 5 to 18 years). Where available, data on common and relevant obesity drivers and comorbidities are also presented.

View the latest version of this report on the Global Obesity Observatory at https://data.worldobesity.org/country/senegal-187/.

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Obesity prevalence

Children, 2021

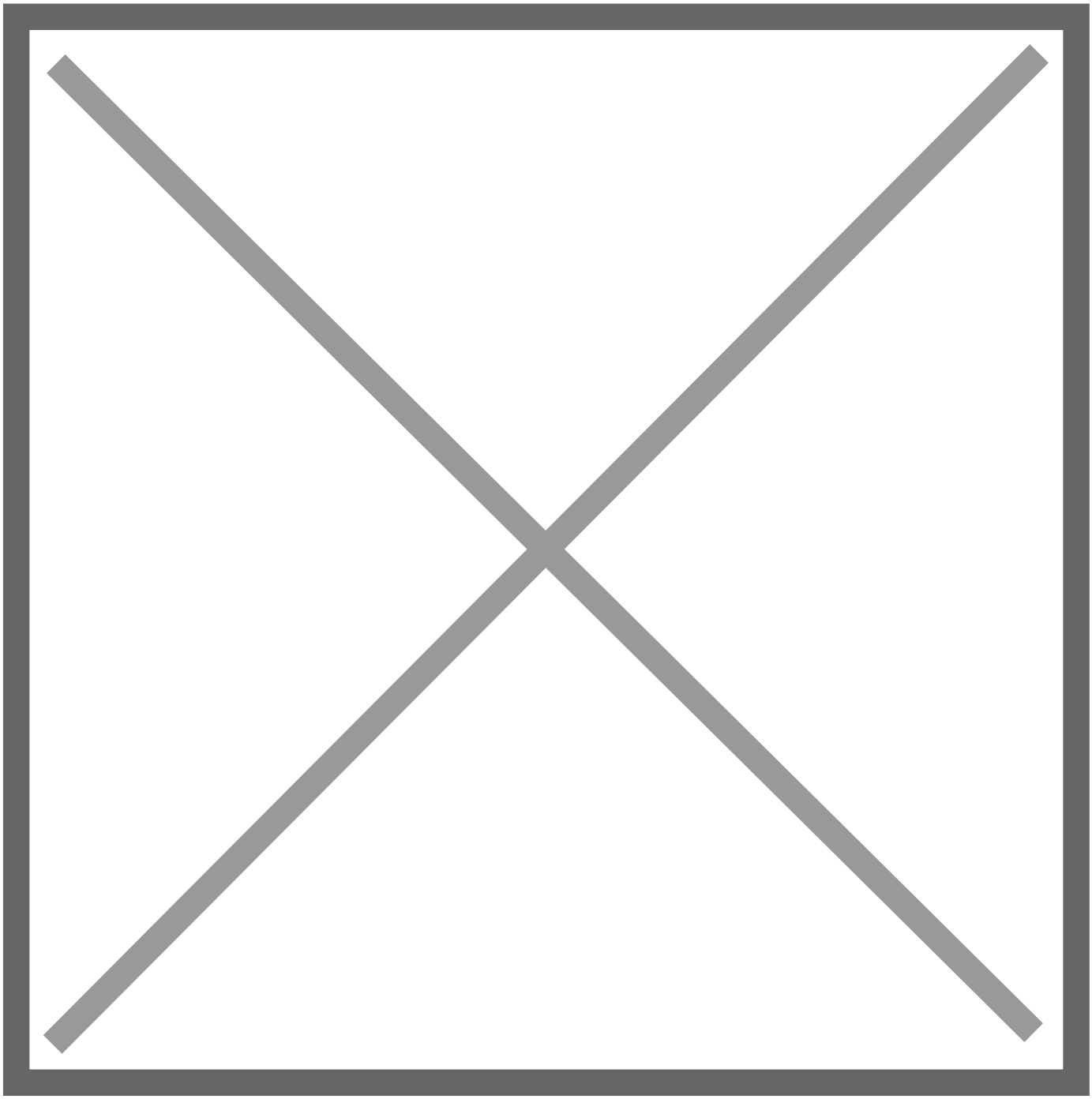


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Cutoffs:	WHO 2007

Overweight/obesity by education

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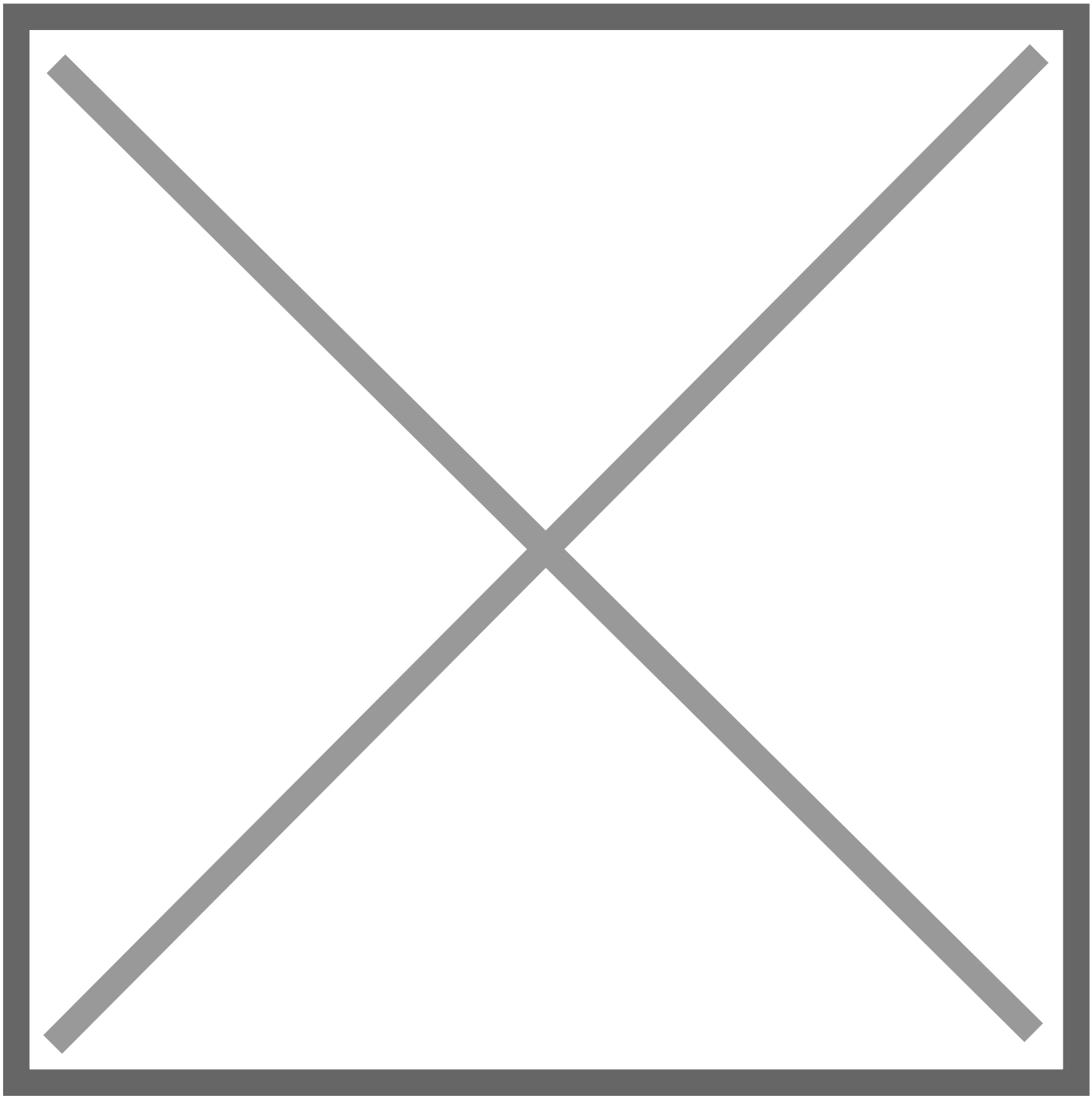


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Notes:	Child's level of education
Cutoffs:	WHO 2007

Overweight/obesity by age

Children, 2021

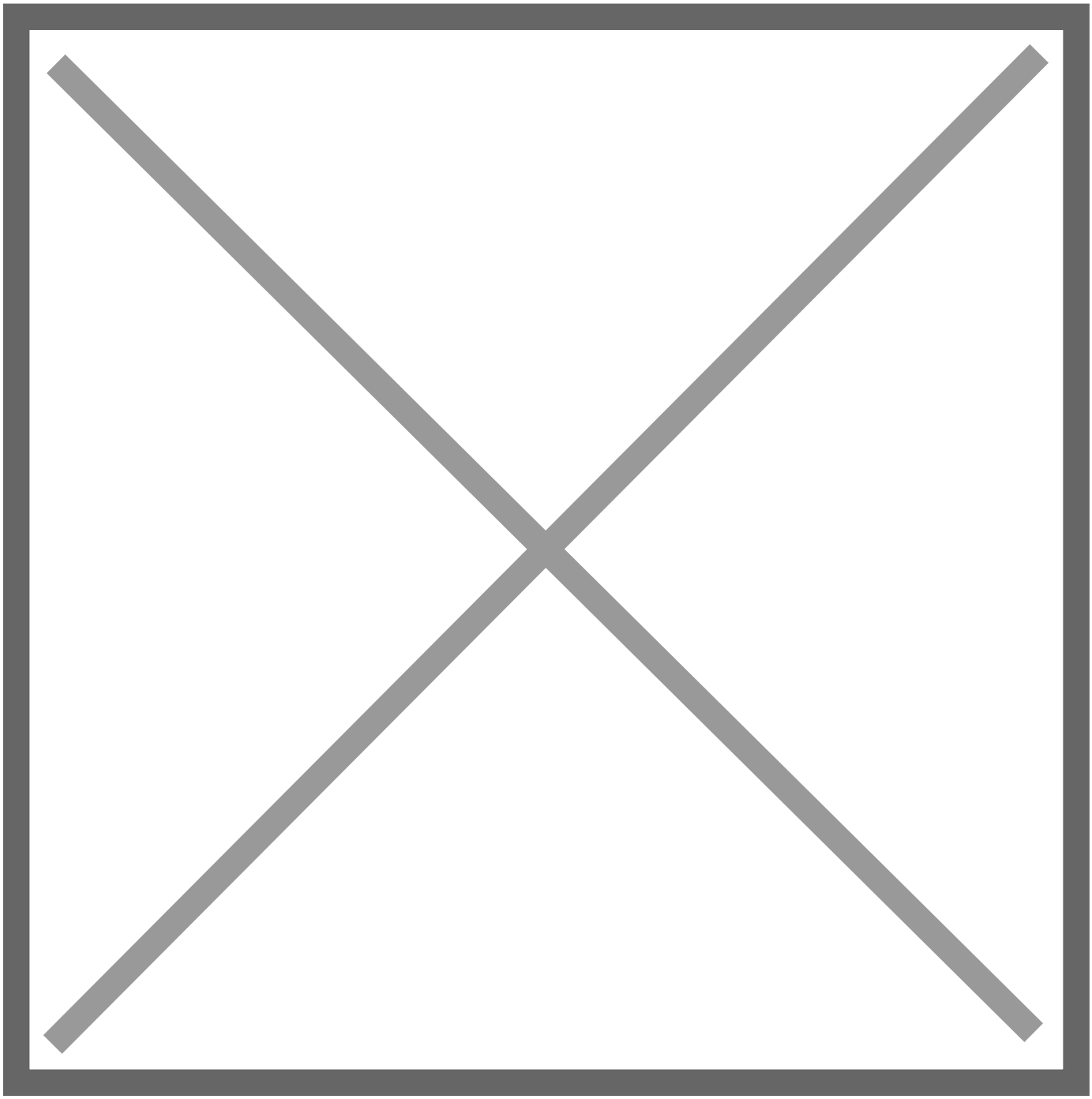


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Overweight/obesity by region

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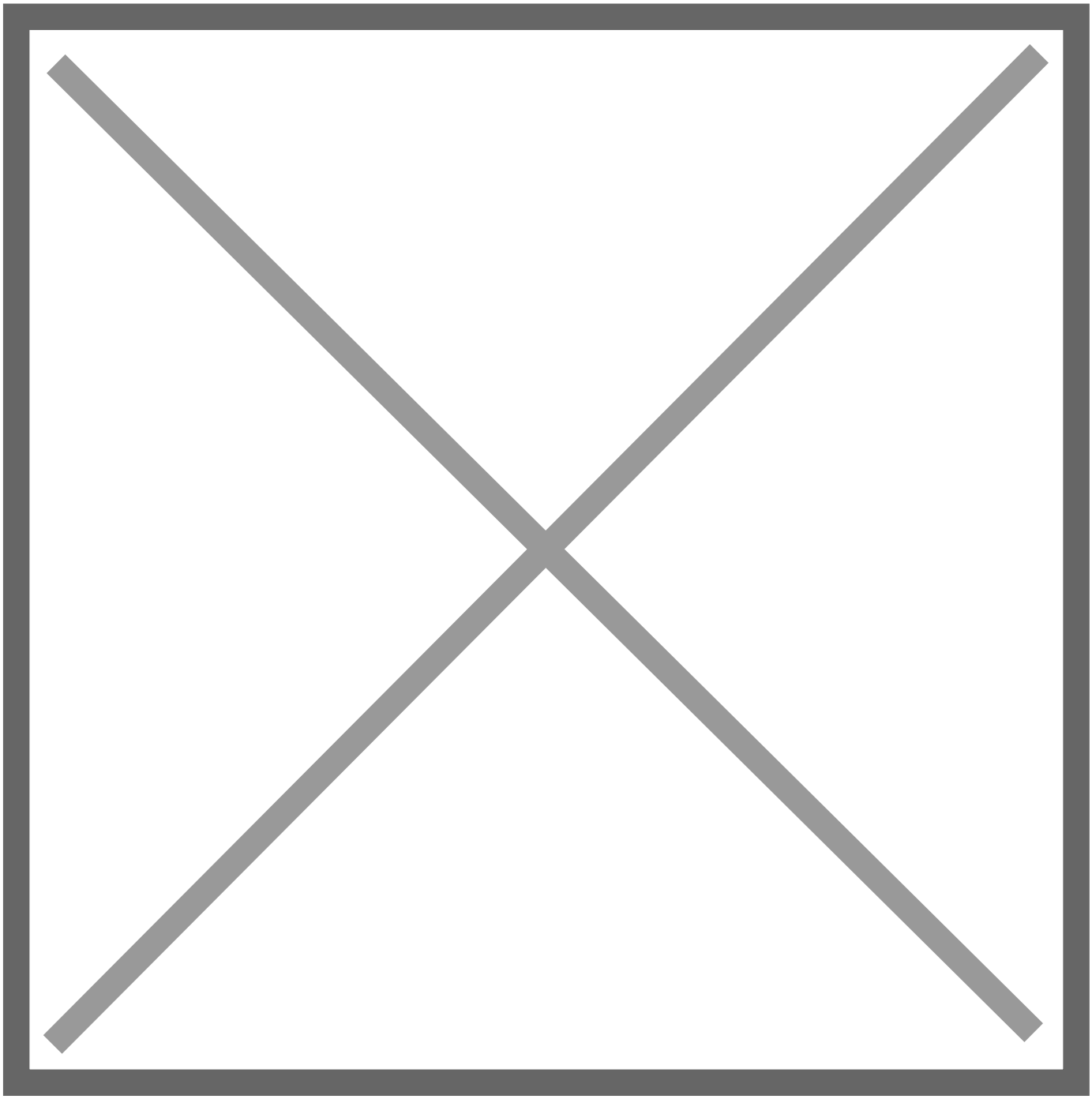


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Overweight/obesity by socio-economic group

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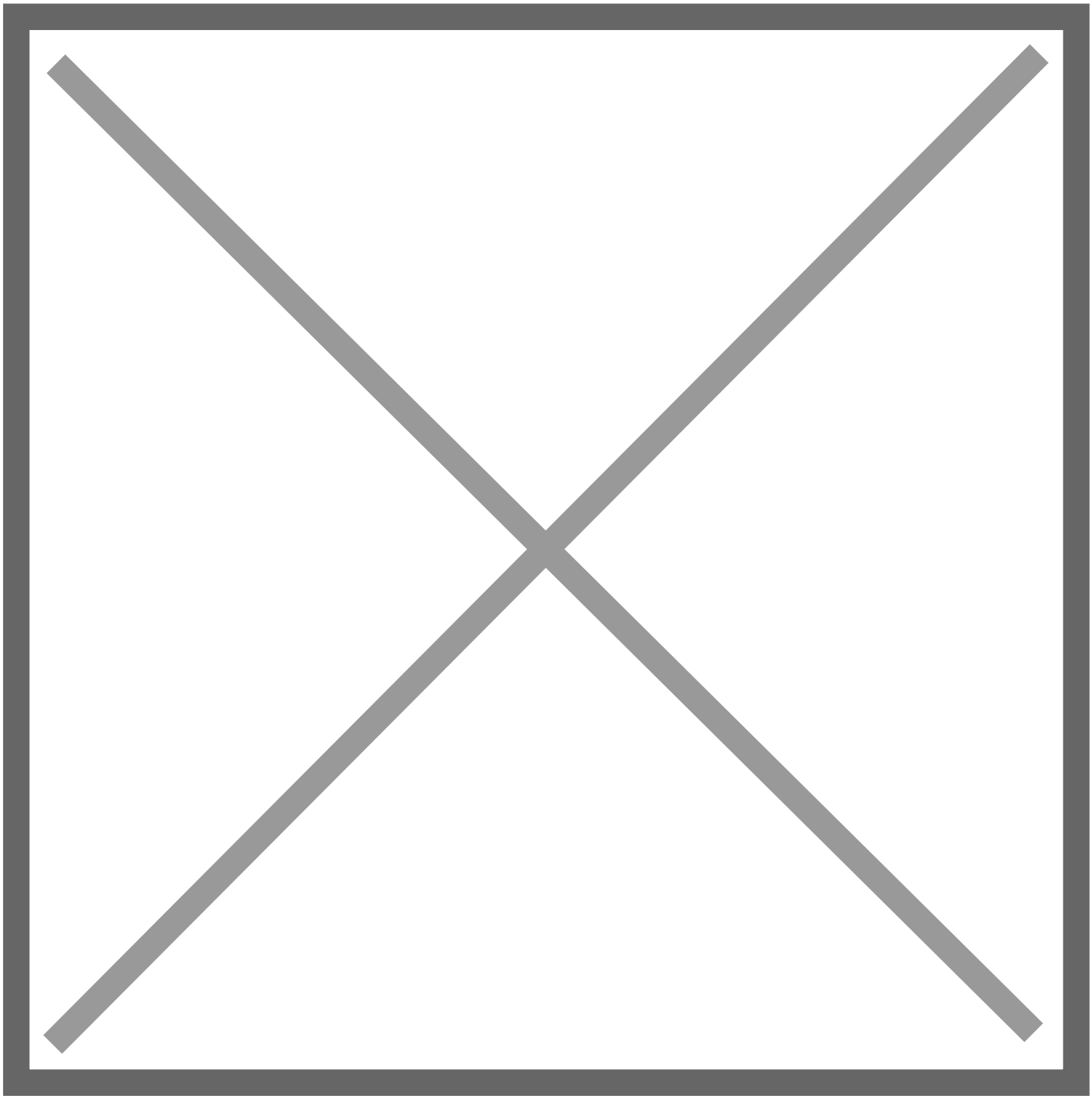


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Double burden of underweight & obesity

Children, 2022

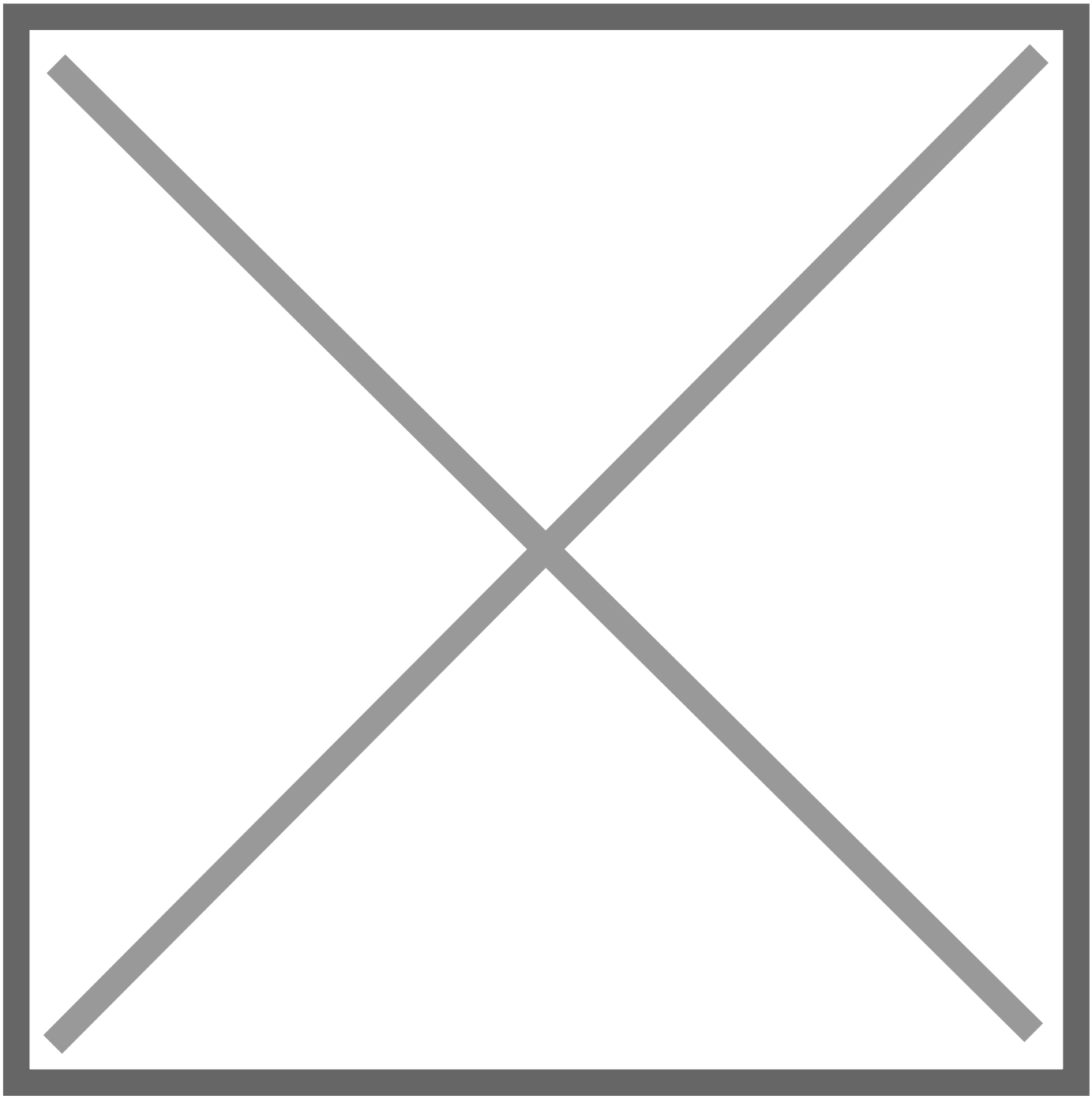


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References:	NCD Risk Factor Collaboration (NCD-RisC). Worldwide trends in underweight and obesity from 1990 to 2022: a pooled analysis of 3663 population representative studies with 222 million children, adolescents, and adults. Lancet 2024; published online Feb 29. https://doi.org/10.1016/S0140-6736(23)02750-2.
Notes:	Age standardised estimates

Definitions:	Combined prevalence of BMI < -2SD and BMI > 2SD (double burden of thinness and obesity)
Cutoffs:	BMI < -2SD and BMI > 2SD

Insufficient physical activity

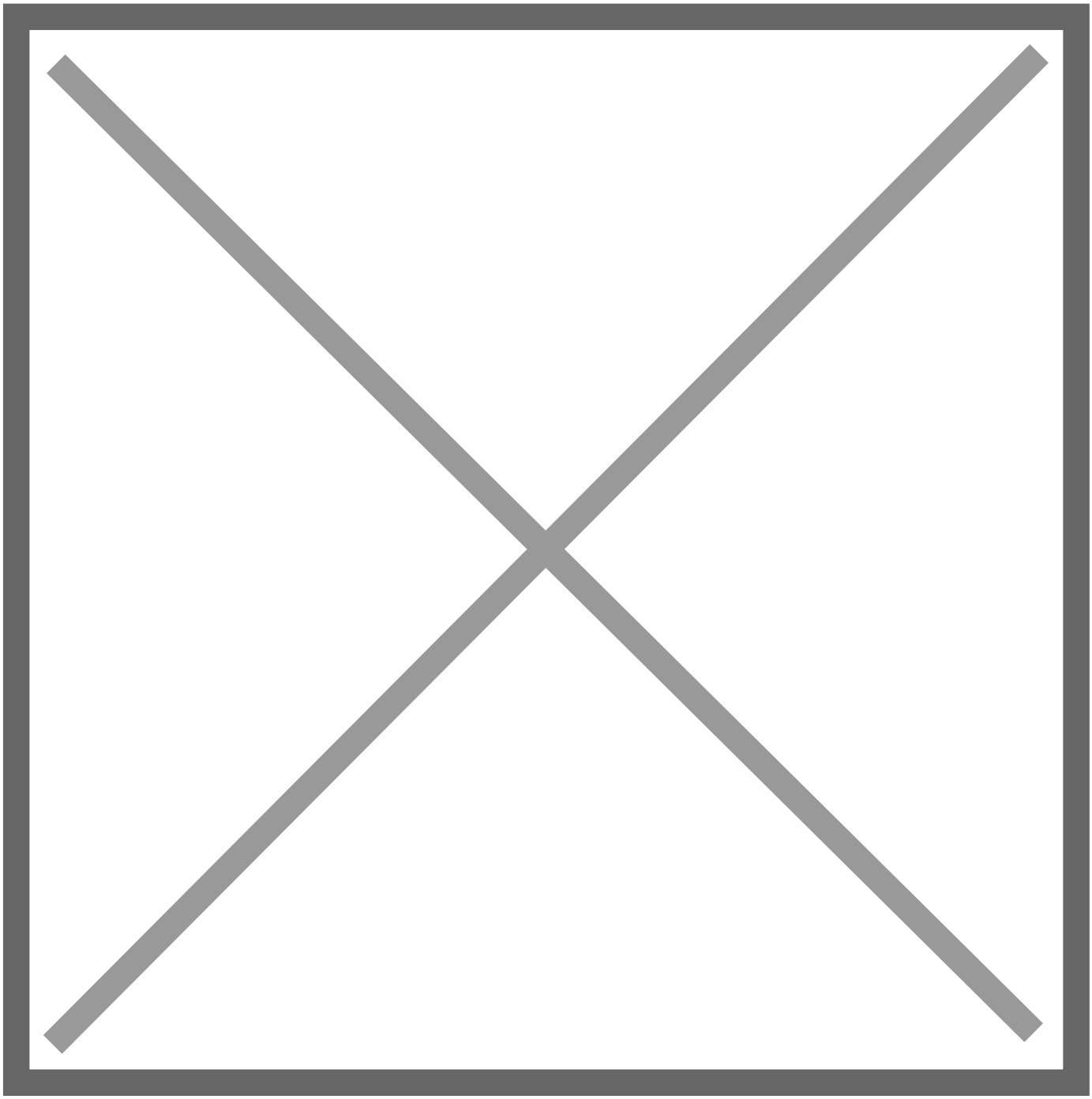
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Definitions:	% Adolescents insufficiently active (age standardised estimate)

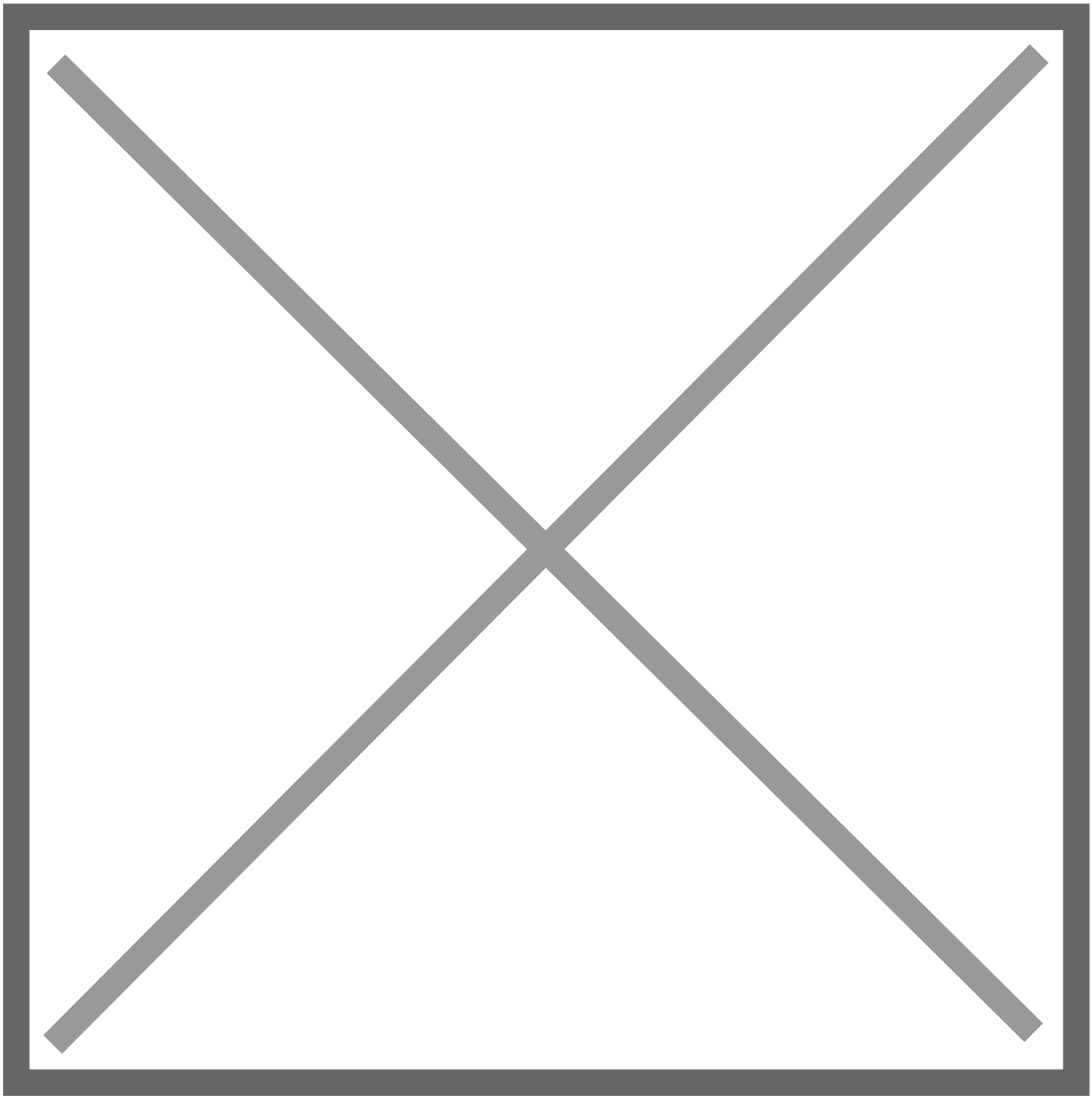
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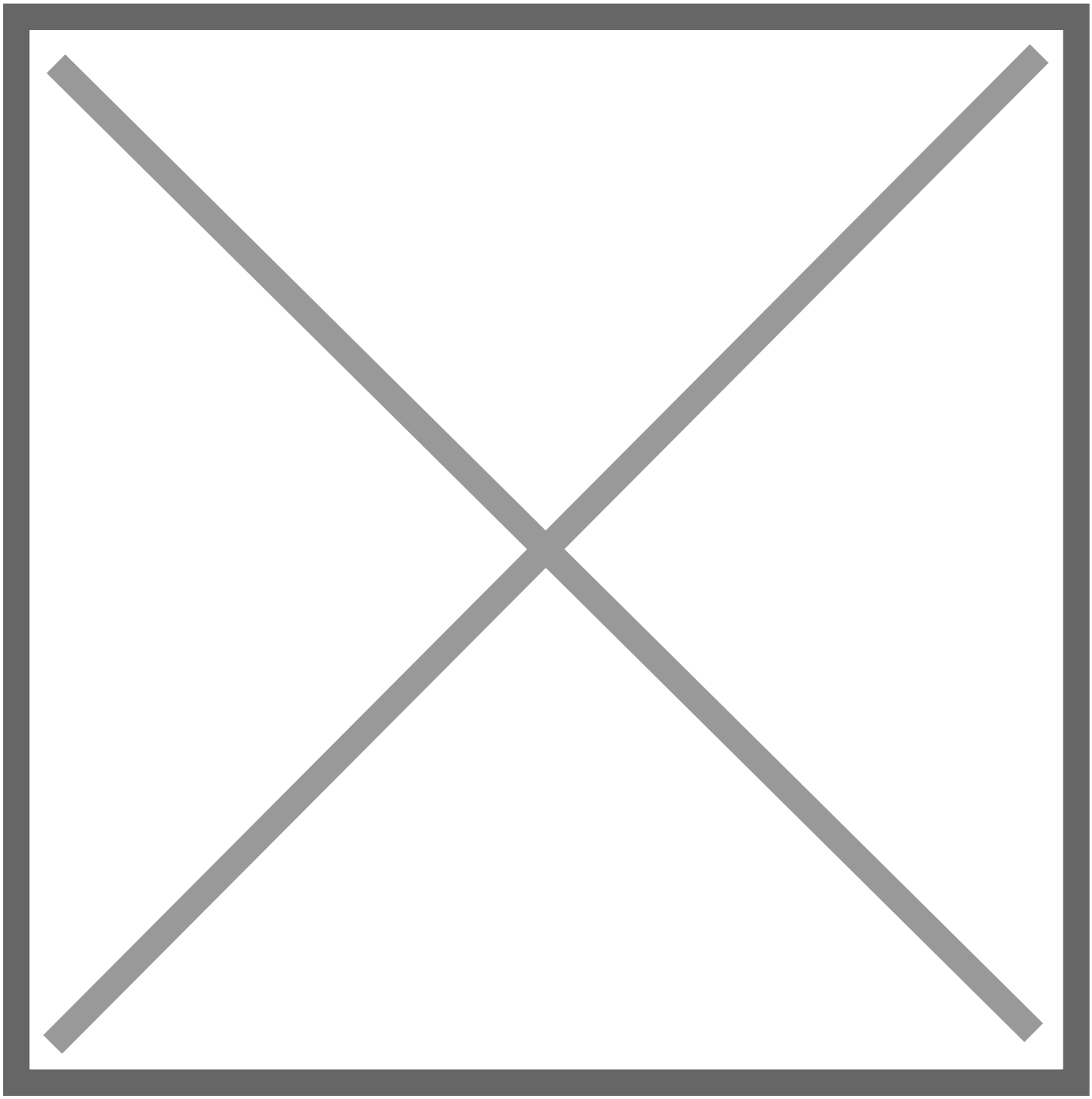


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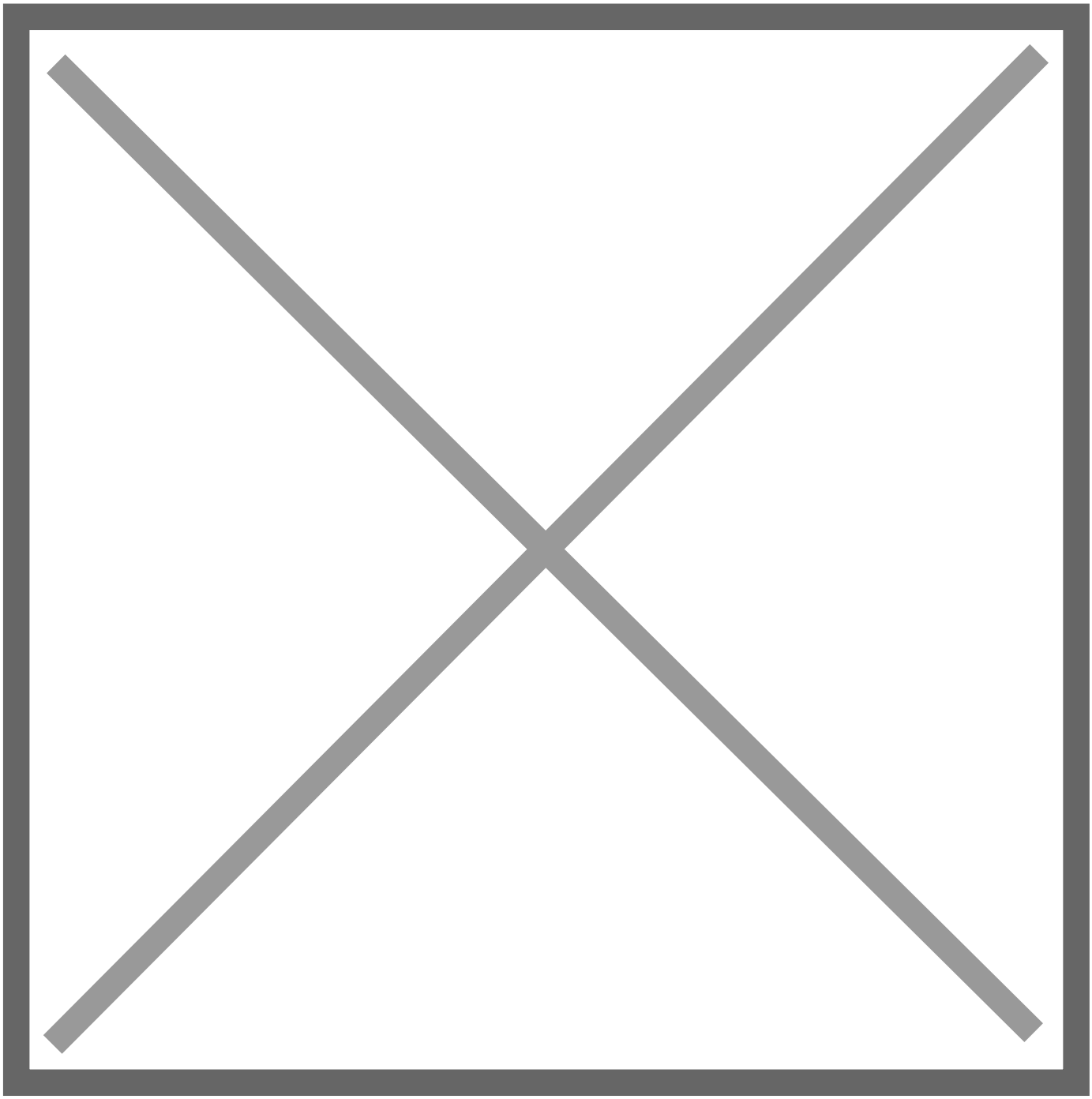
Mental health - depression disorders

Children, 2023



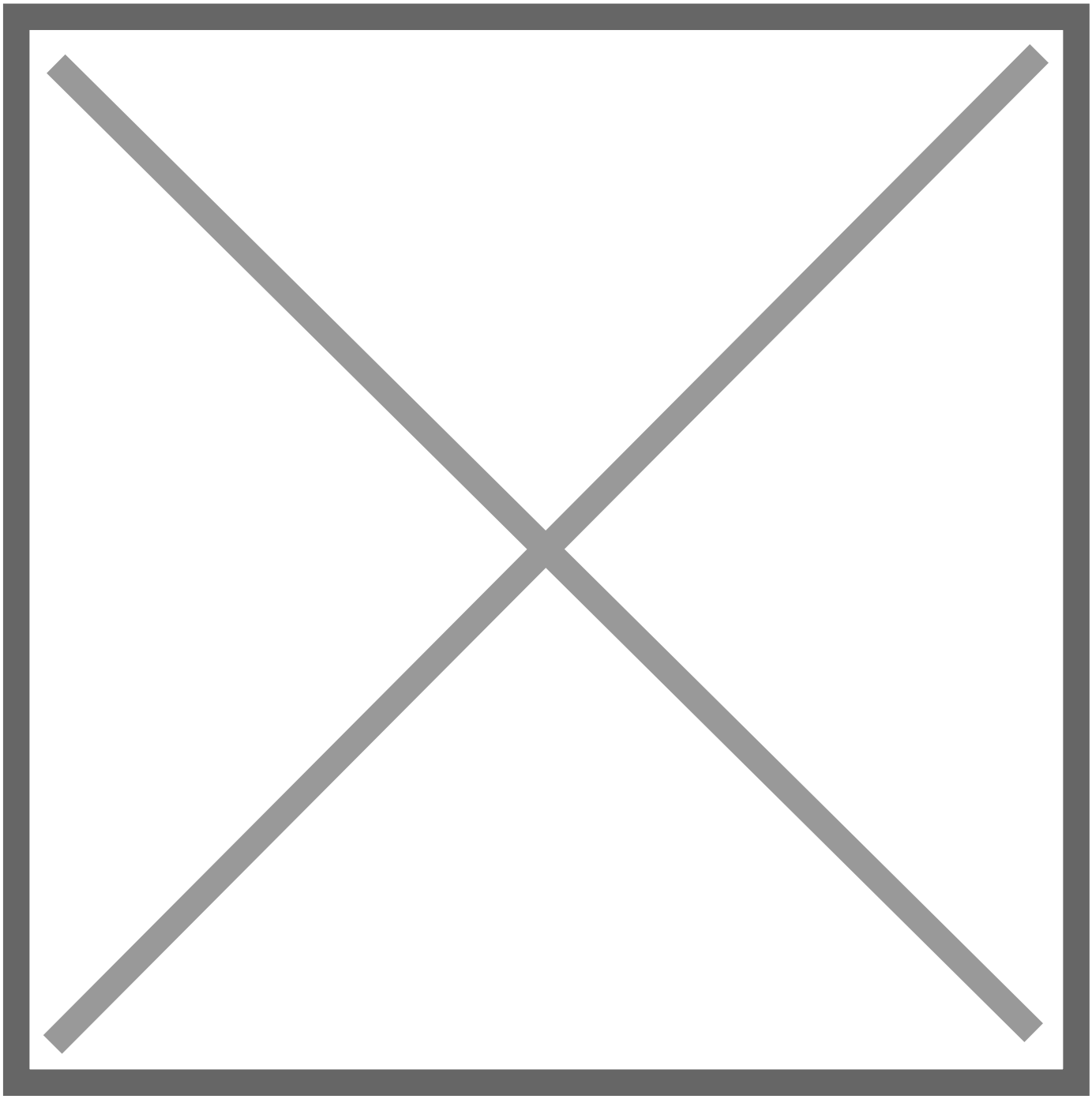
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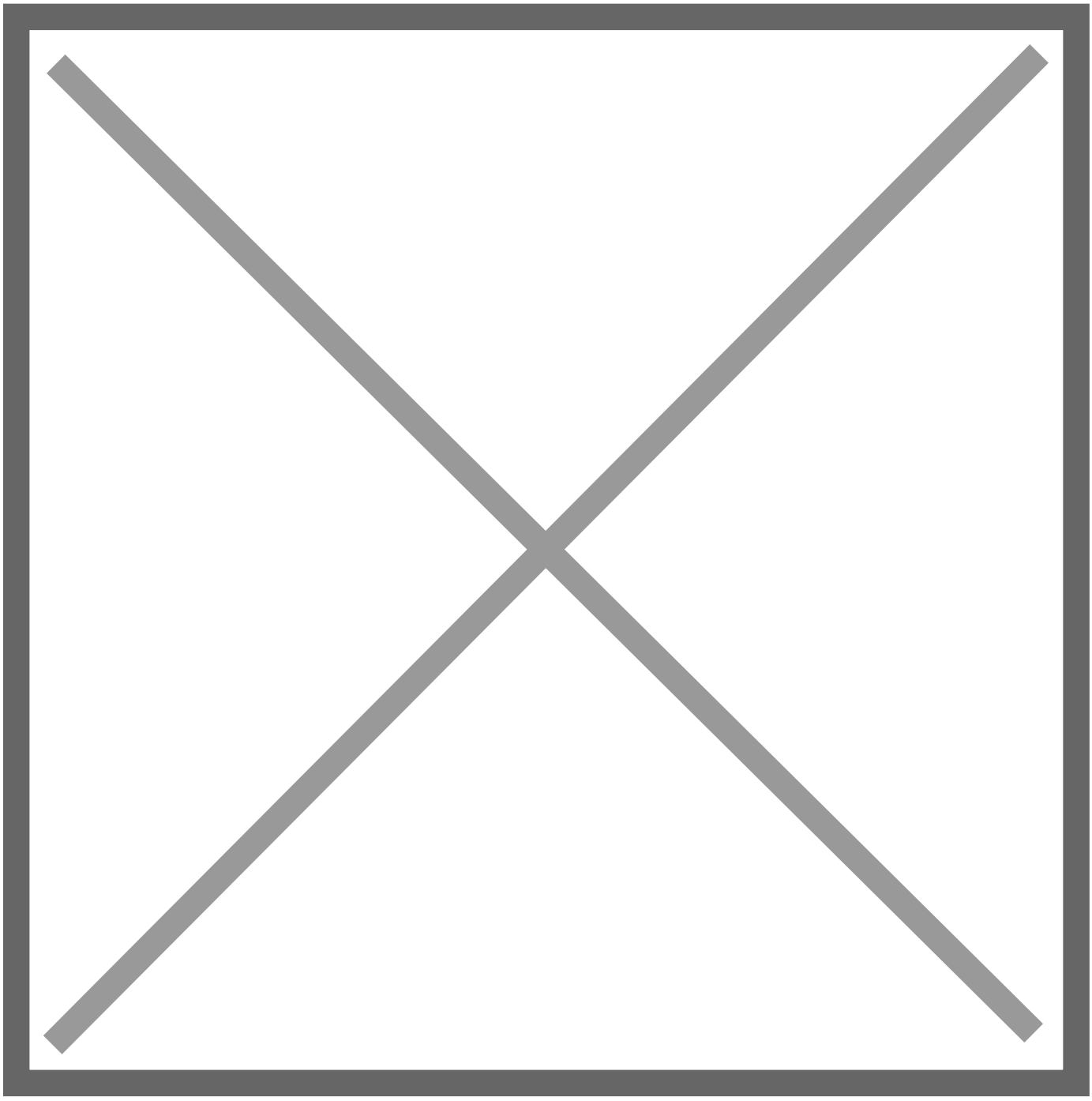
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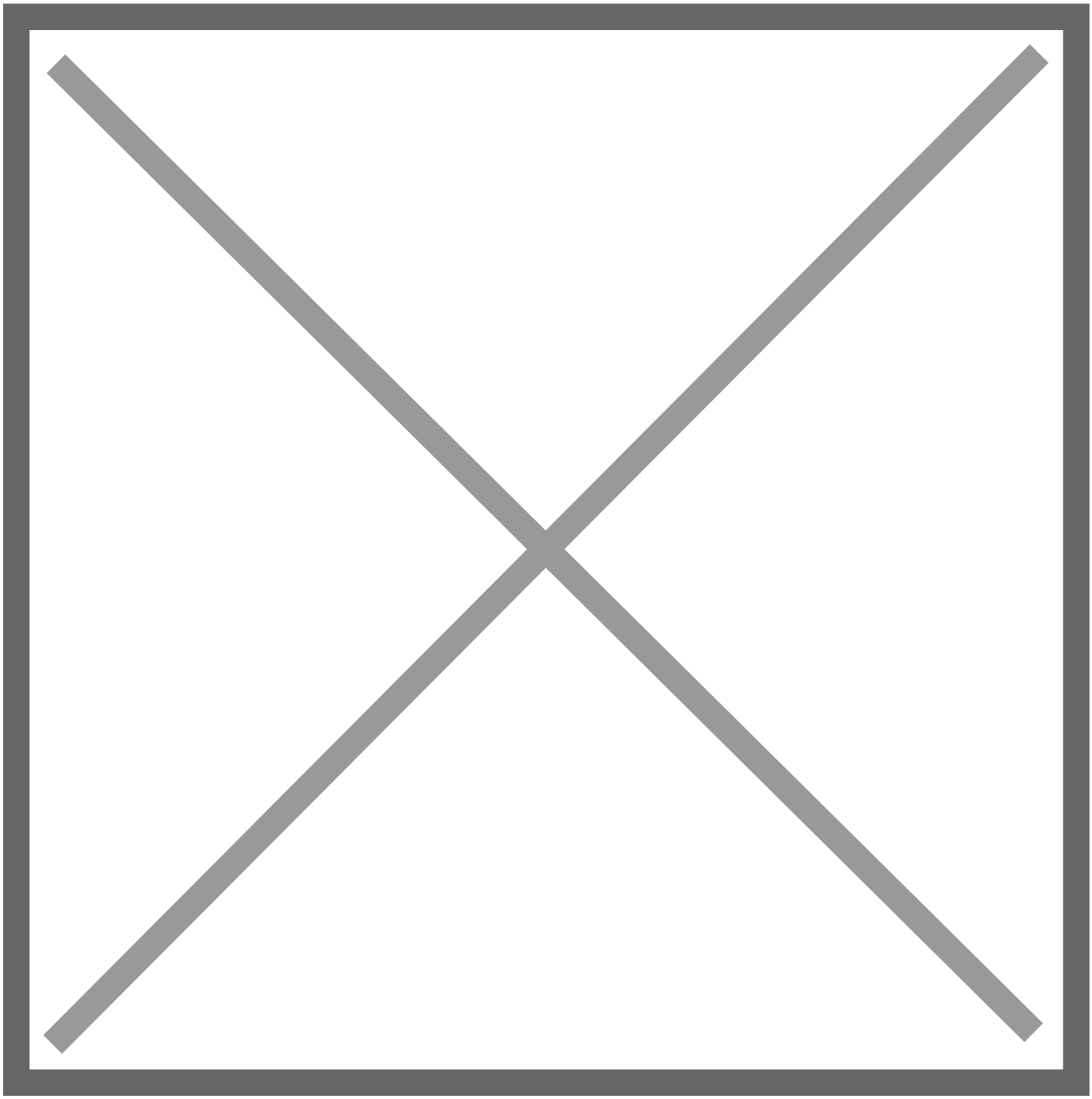
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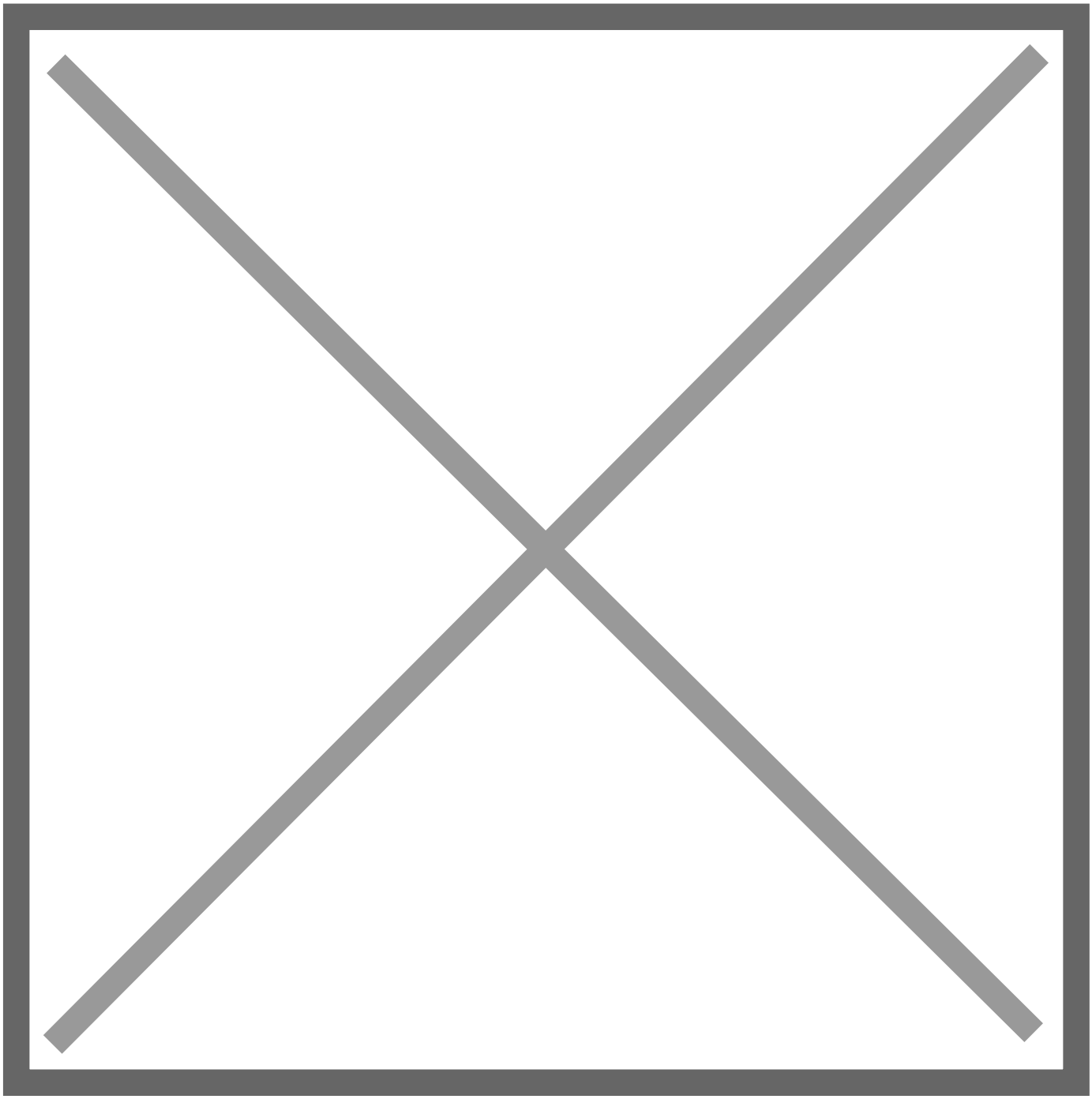
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