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This is joint work with E. Jaligot. Cherlin and Zilber have conjectured that simple infinite groups of finite Morley rank are algebraic. A crucial step before tempting an inductive approach is the identification of "small" groups of finite Morley rank, smallness understood in a sense very reminiscent of finite group theory. We shall discuss current results of identification of such groups. (Received July 29, 2008)