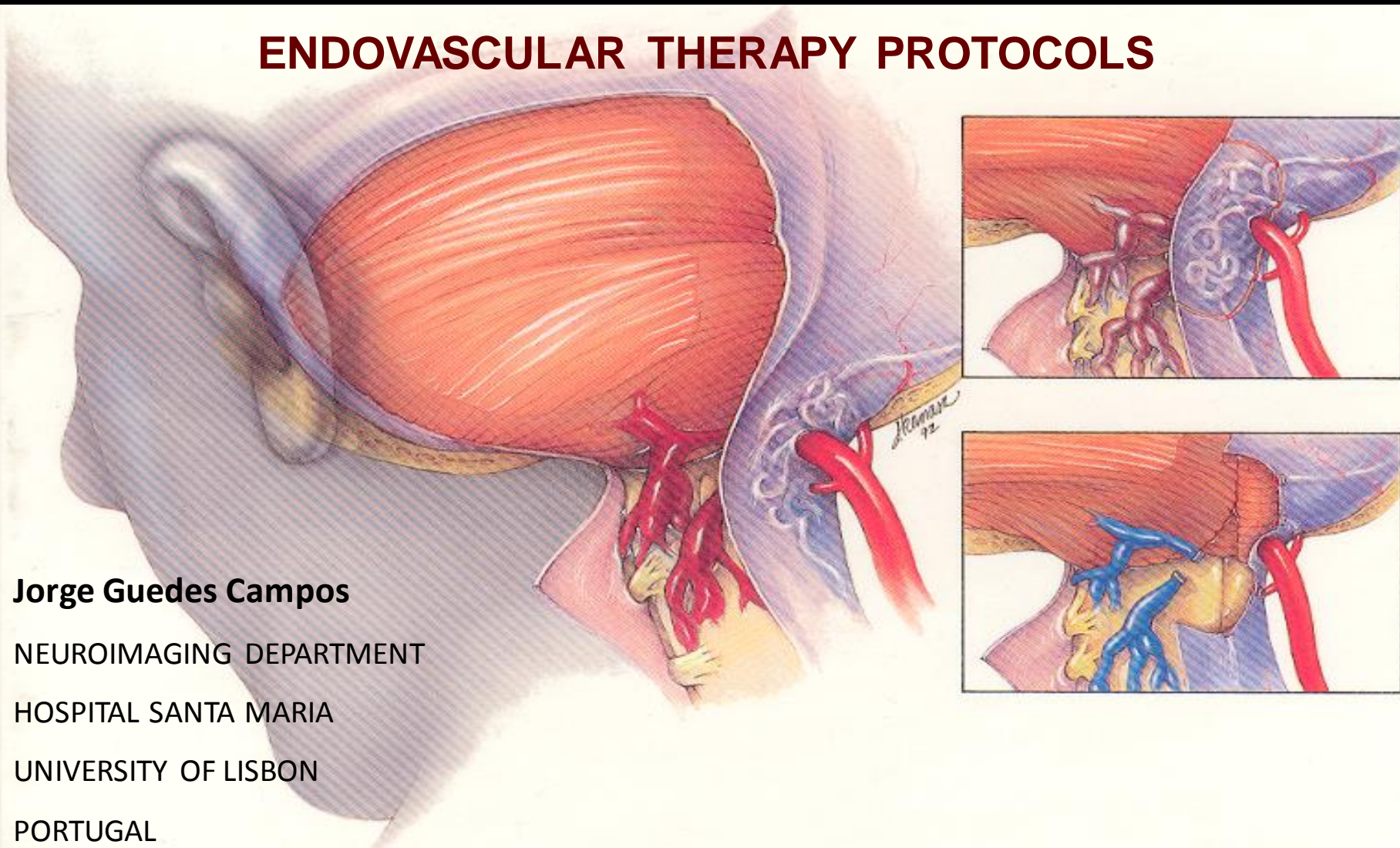


Dural Arteriovenous Malformations and Fistulae (DAVM'S – DAVF'S)

ENDOVASCULAR THERAPY PROTOCOLS



Dural Arteriovenous Malformations and Fistulae (DAVM'S – DAVF'S)

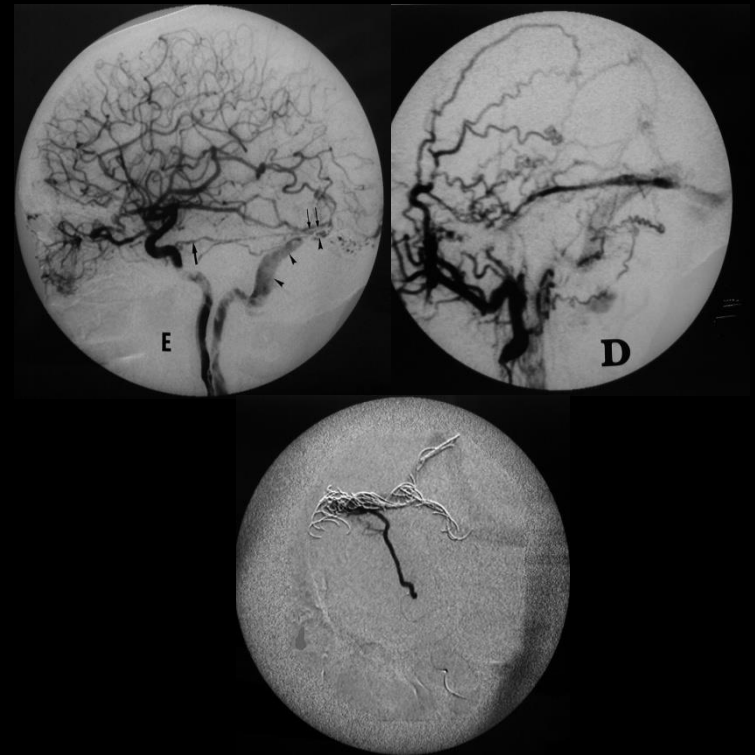
DEFINITION

- region of arteriovenous shunting confined to a leaflet of pachymeninges often adjacent to a major dural sinus
- 10 to 15% of all AVM's
- older population; female predominance

Dural Arteriovenous Malformations and Fistulae (DAVM'S – DAVF'S)

ANGIO-ARCHITECTURE

- meningeal arterial feeders related to the location
- pial supply and transosseous extracranial arterial collaterals can be recruited
- nidus or single hole fistula
- venous drainage type



Lateral sinus DAVM

Dural Arteriovenous Malformations and Fistulae (DAVM'S – DAVF'S)

ETIOLOGIC FACTORS

- trauma
- surgery
- vascular diseases
- tumor
- infection
- hormonal effects
- congenital origin



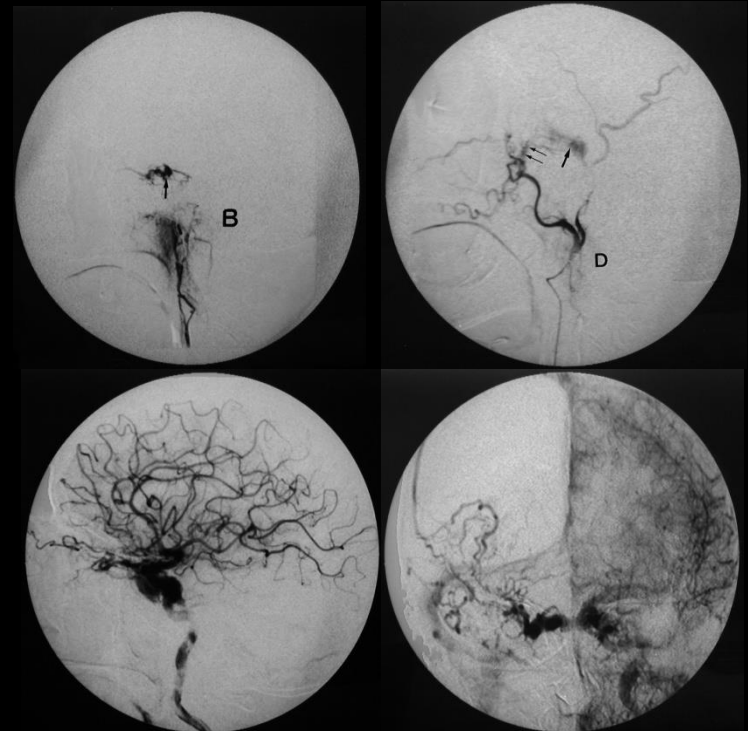
Congenital middle cranial fossa DAVM
(right paracavernous sinus)

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PATHOPHYSIOLOGY

- Unlike pial AVM'S regarded as congenital lesions the pathogenesis of DAVM's is controversial with arguments for congenital and acquired etiology

- Importance of venous thrombosis



Left Cavernous sinus DAVM type II

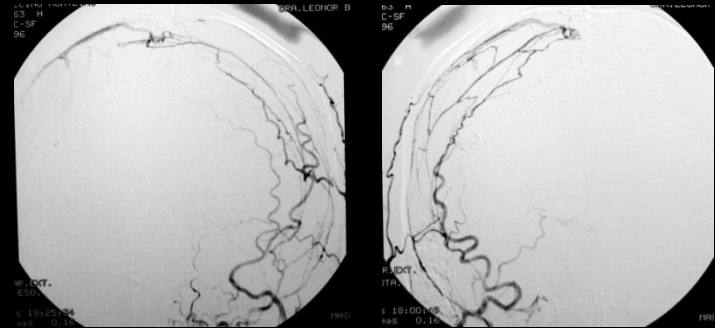
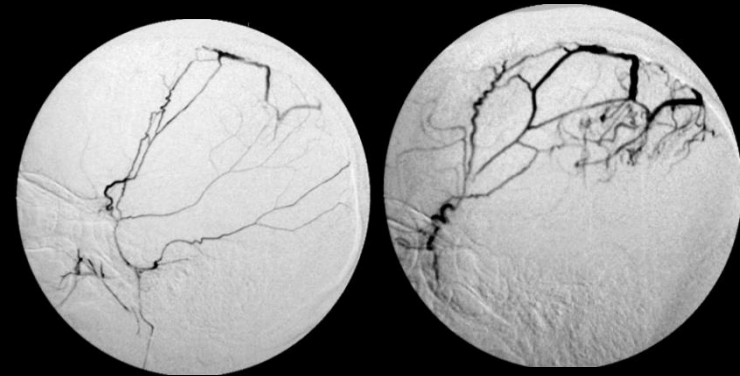
(arterial pedicles from left ICA and ECA, thrombosis of both ophthalmic veins and inferior petrosal sinus)

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CLASSIFICATION

Location / Topography

- cavernous sinus
- transverse-sigmoid sinus
- superior sagittal sinus
- tentorial
- anterior fossa



Superior sagittal sinus DAVM type III

Unusual

- deep straight sinus / vein of Galen
- middle cranial fossa
- torcula and posterior fossa

Dural Arteriovenous Malformations and Fistulae (DAVM'S – DAVF'S)

CLASSIFICATION

Venous Drainage pattern

(Djindjian)

I – into a sinus with normal direction of flow

II – into a sinus with reflux to cortical veins

III – into a cortical vein with retrograde flow

IV – presence of venous lake

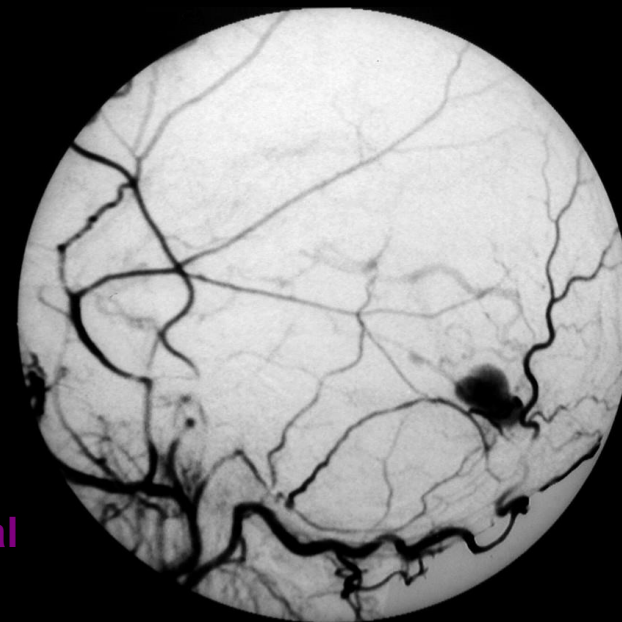
(Cognard)

IIa – only into sinus

II b – only into cortical veins

IIa+b – into sinus and cortical veins

V – into perimedullary veins



Right lateral sinus DAVM
type IV

High hemorrhagic risk

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CLINICAL SPECTRUM

Clinical presentation is related to the venous drainage pattern, flow, topography and rarely arterial symptoms



Right lateral sinus DAVM type III

Anterior fossa		Cavernous sinus		Tentorium		Lateral sinus	
SAH	63%	Proptosis	83%	SAH	80%	Bruit	70%
ICH	50%	CNP	44%	ICH	60%	Headache	40%
SDH	25%	Bruit	42%	CNS	42%	ICH	15%
						CNS	13%

DAVM's in children – high flow – cardiac disorders

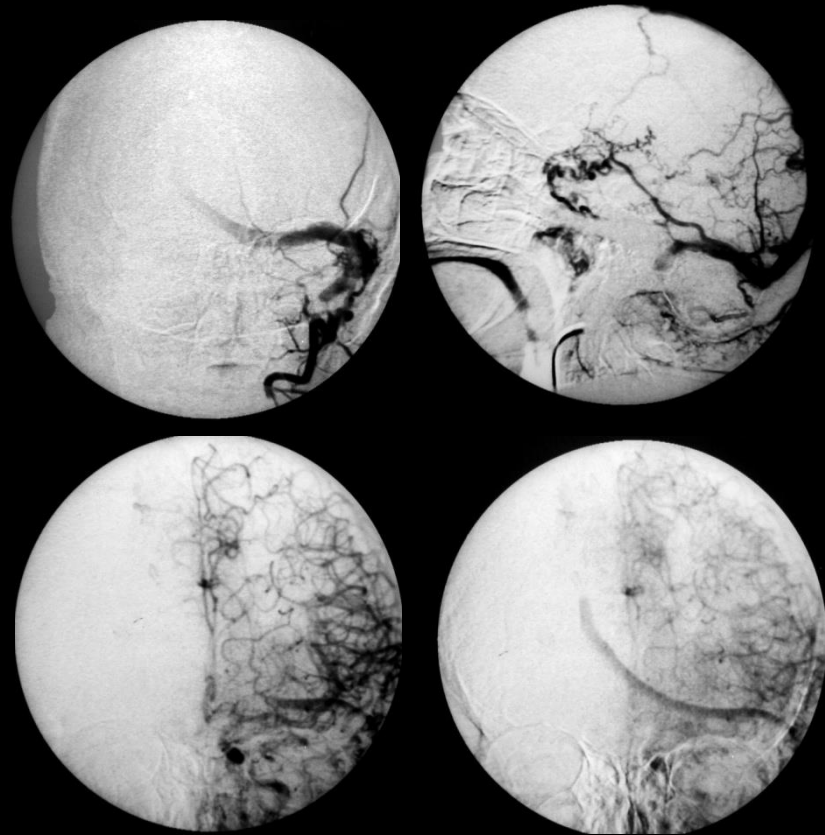
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CLINICAL SPECTRUM

Dynamic nature of DAVM'S

Agressive clinical course

- risk of hemorrhage
- focal neurological symptoms
- hydrocephalus and papilledema
- visual loss
- intractable pain
- dementia



Left lateral sinus DAVM type II

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IMAGING

Plain Skull Films

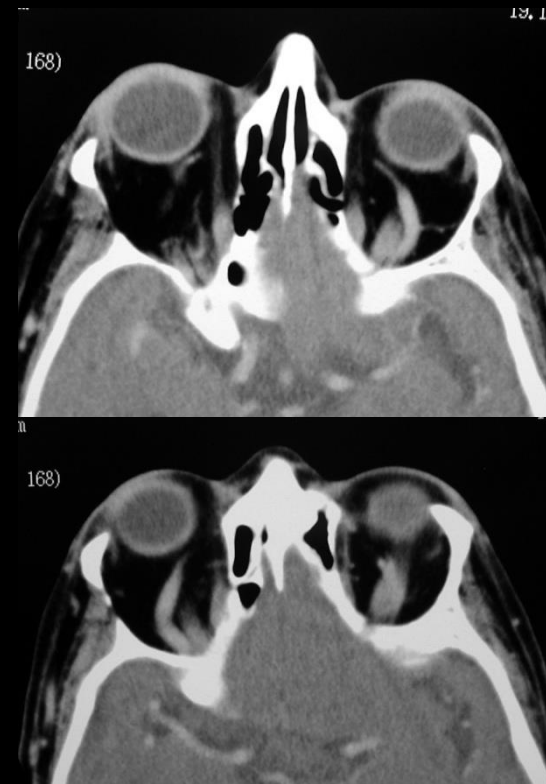
Increased vascular markings or
bone density

CT (nonenhanced, enhanced)

DAVM itself is rarely detected

Epiphenomena may be detected

- thrombosed sinus
- dilated veins
- hemorrhage (acute)
- hydrocephalus



Cavernous dural AV Fistulae
(Enhanced CT – dilated supra-ophthalmic veins)

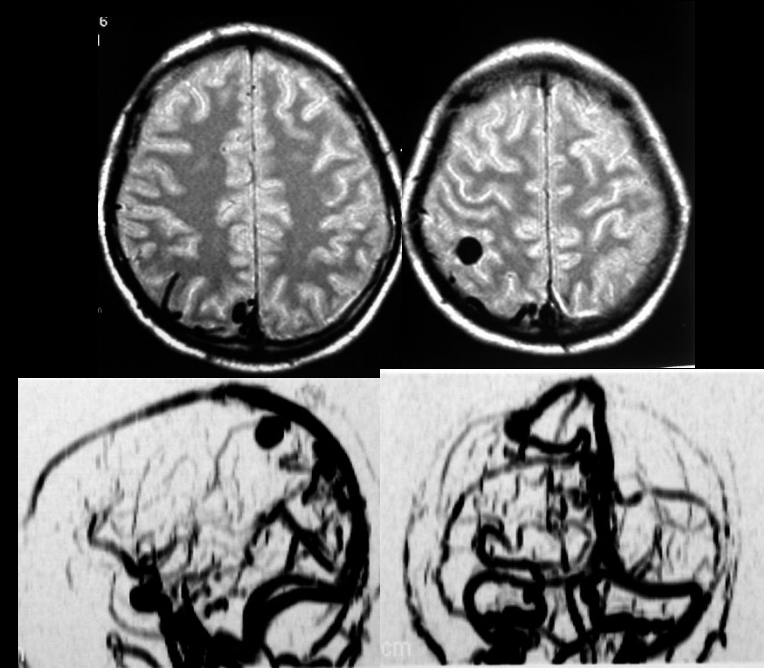
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IMAGING

MRI plain and Gad-enhanced
same problems as CT in
demonstrating DAVM

Angio-MR
Arterial / Venous is important

Angiography
Indispensable to diagnose and to evaluate a DAVM in order
to plan the treatment



Superior sagittal sinus DAVM

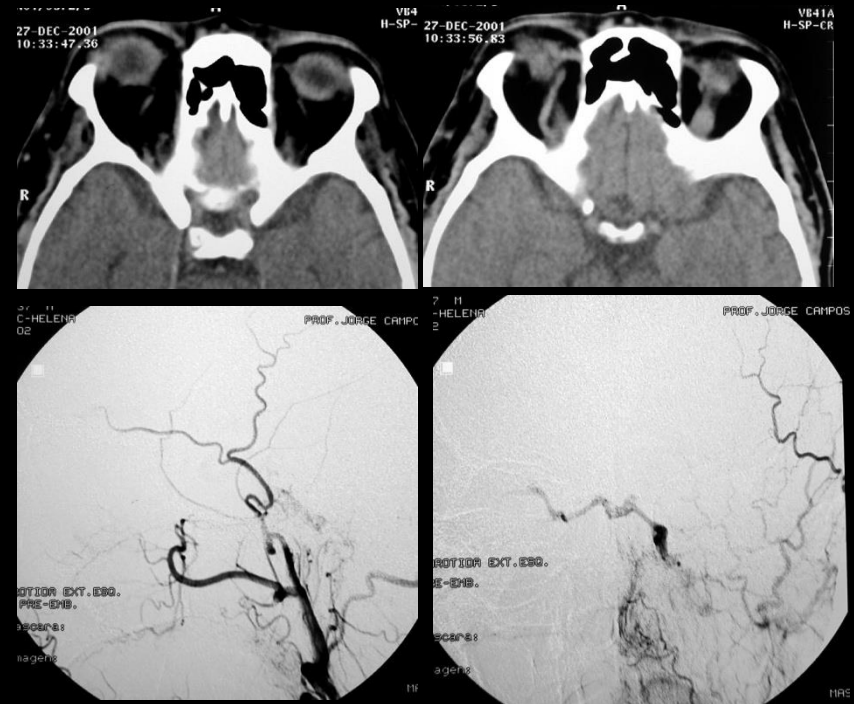
feeding arteries – nidus – venous drainage and functional
hemodynamic analysis

Dural Arteriovenous Malformations and Fistulae (DAVM'S – DAVF'S)

ENDOVASCULAR THERAPY PROTOCOLS INTRA-ARTERIAL EMBOLIZATION

PARTICLES - PVA

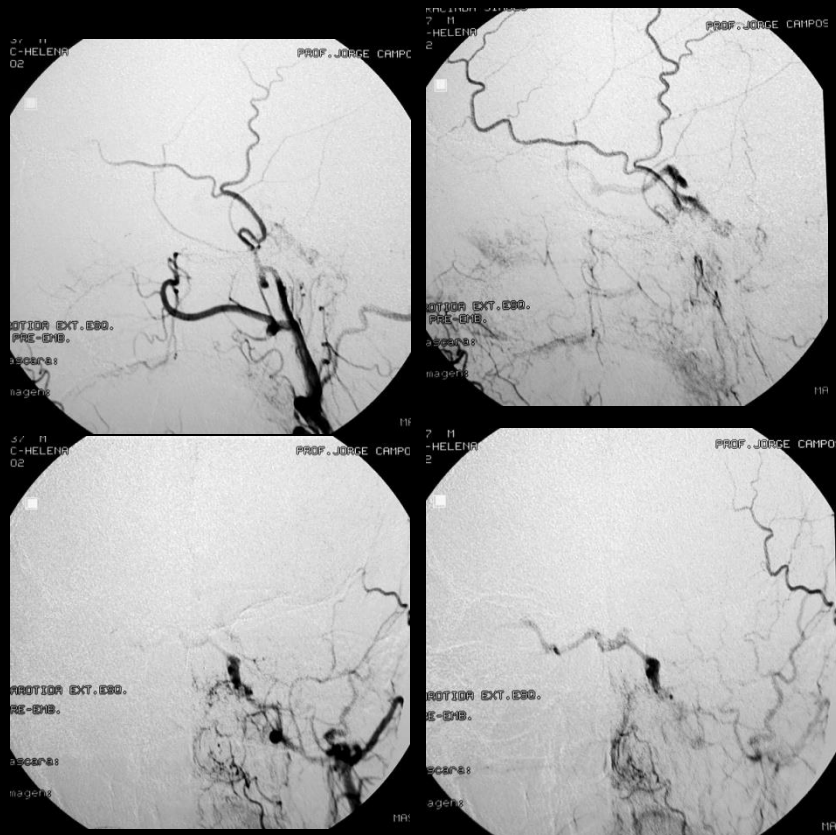
- proximal meningeal arteries supplying cranial nerves in the skull base
- low flow shunts
- low risk patients
- Low number of arterial feeders
- Frequently in cavernous sinus, lateral sinus type I/II shunts
- Rare in other locations



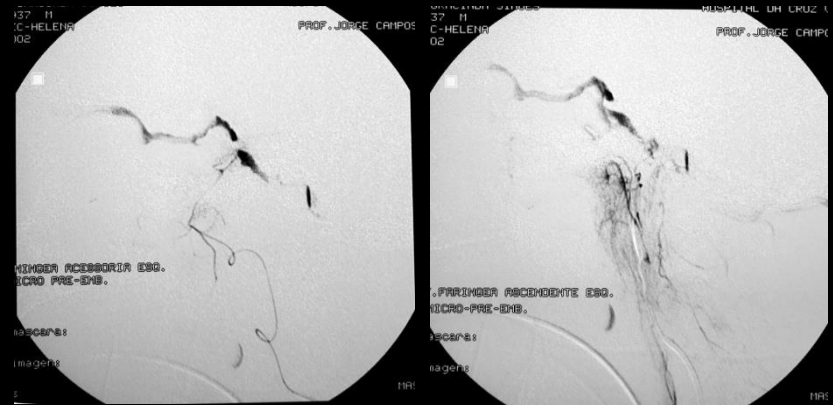
Left cavernous sinus DAVM type I

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Left cavernous sinus DAVM type I

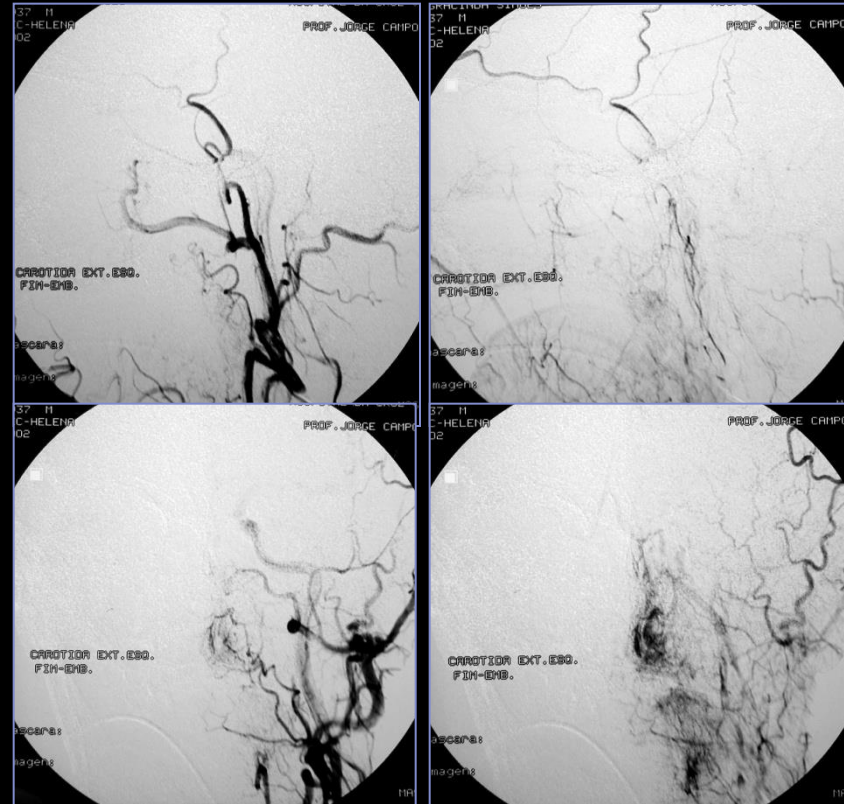
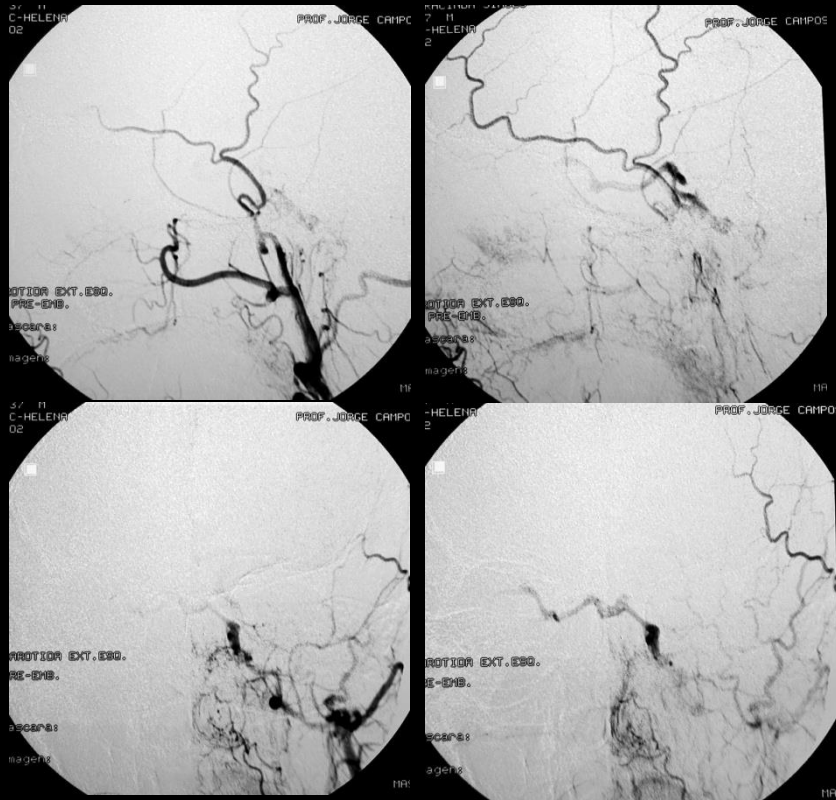


Intra-arterial embolization -
particles PVA – left accessory
meningeal and ascending
pharyngeal arteries

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Left cavernous sinus DAVM type I

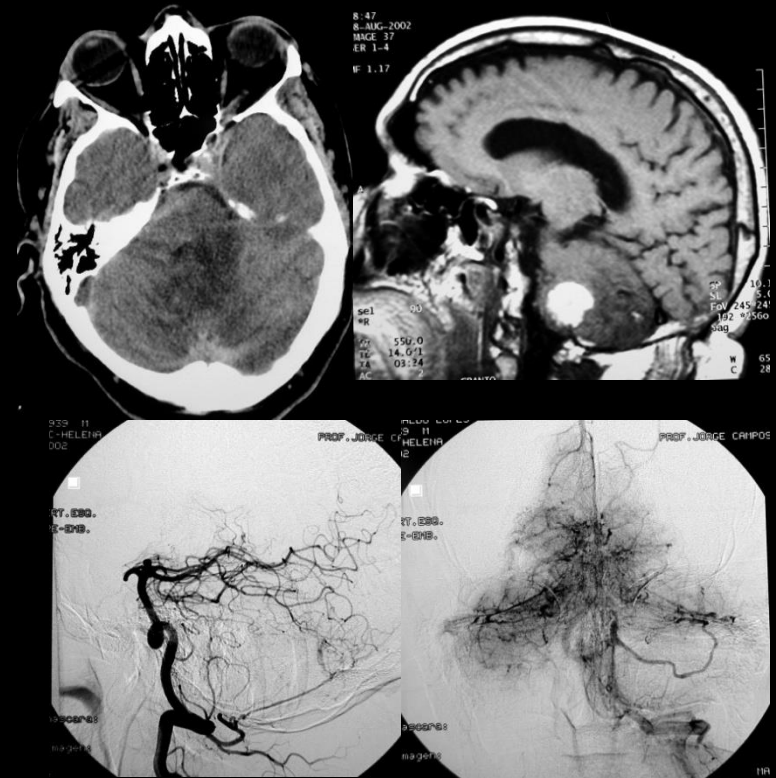


Dural Arteriovenous Malformations and Fistulae (DAVM'S – DAVF'S)

ENDOVASCULAR THERAPY PROTOCOLS INTRA-ARTERIAL EMBOLIZATION

GLUE - NBCA

- distal meningeal arteries
- high risk patients
- high flow fistula
- Low number of arterial feeders
- Frequently superior sagittal sinus, lateral sinus, posterior fossa type II / III / IV shunts
- Also tentorial e anterior fossa

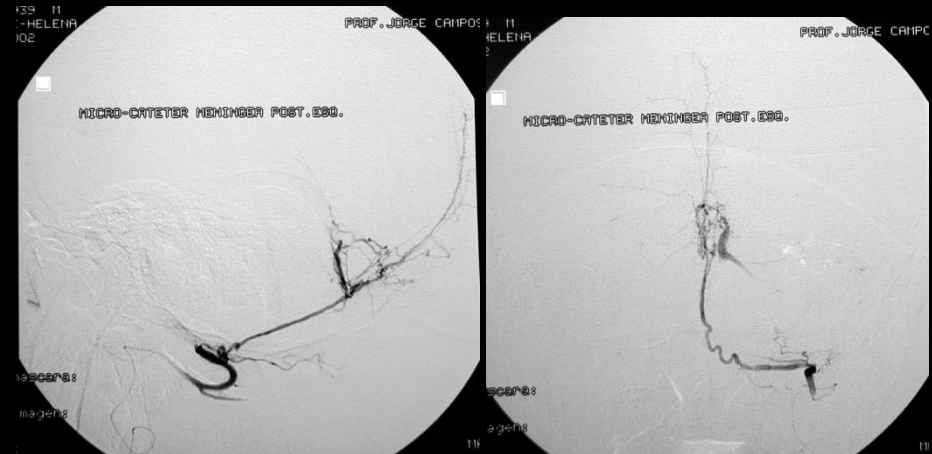
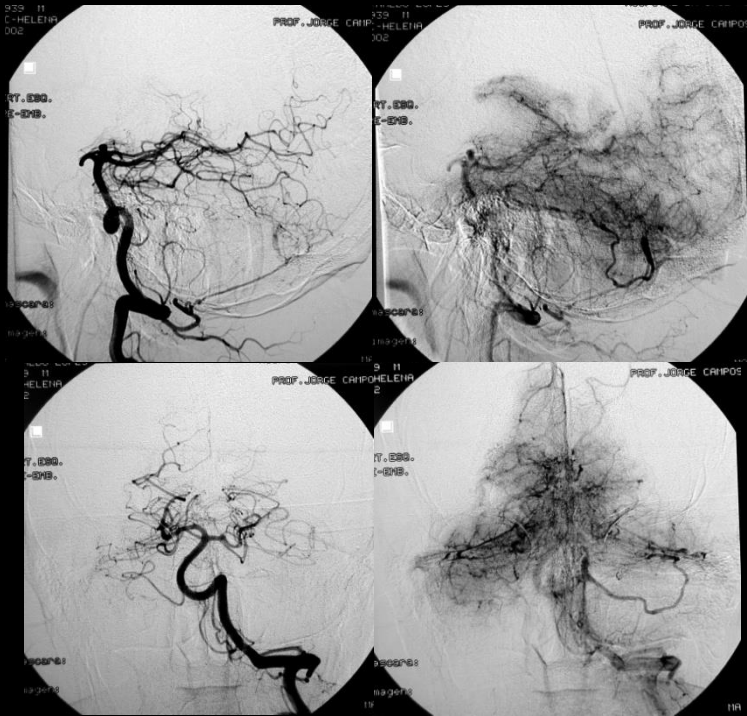


Posterior fossa DAVM type III

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Posterior fossa DAVM type III

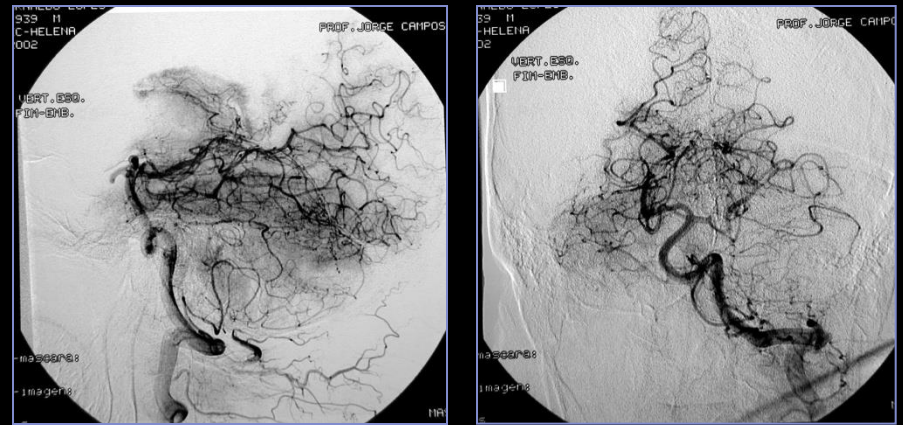
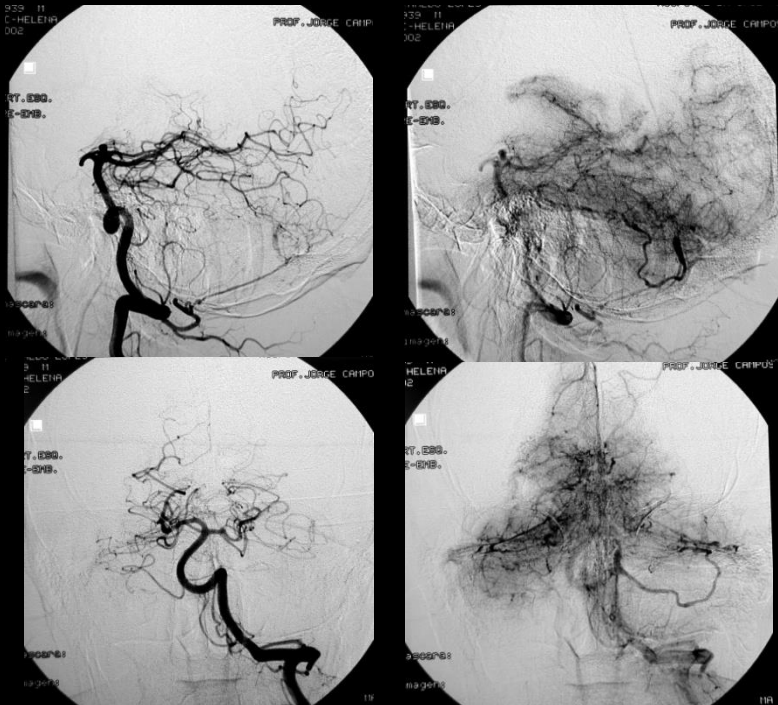


Intra-arterial embolization with
GLUE – left posterior meningeal
artery

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Posterior fossa DAVM type III

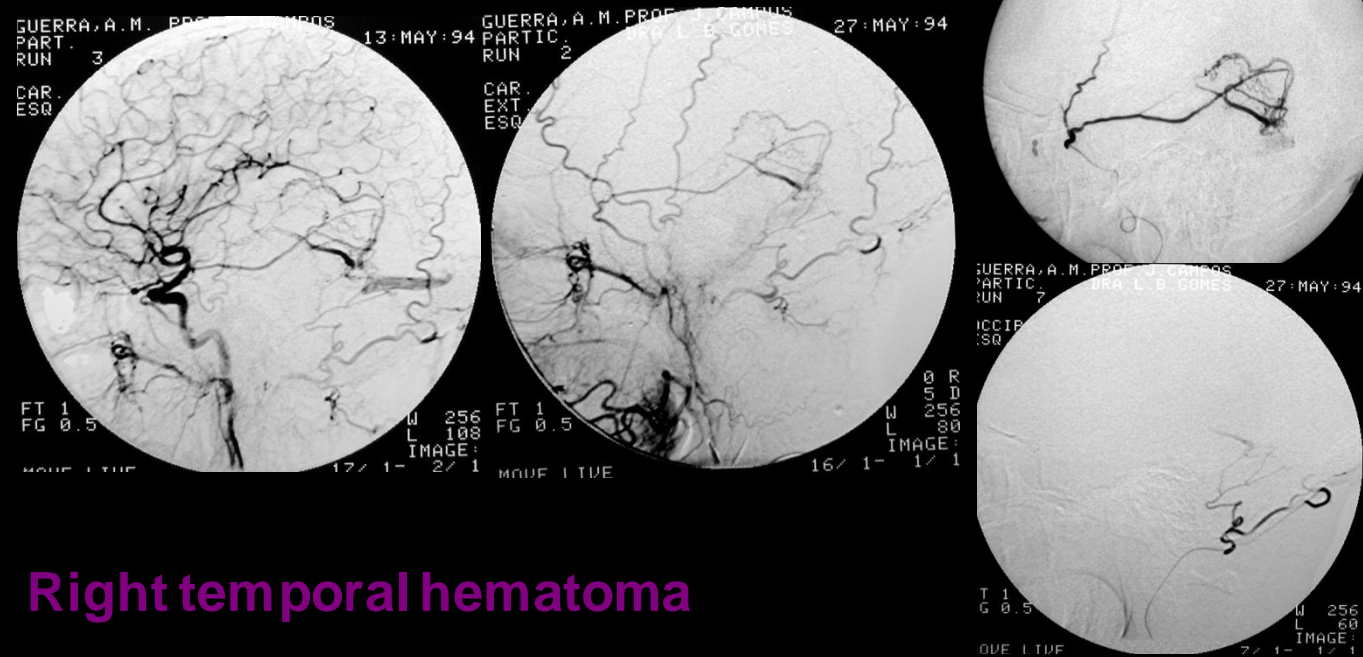


Left vertebral artery Post-Emb

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Right lateral sinus DAVM type III



Right temporal hematoma

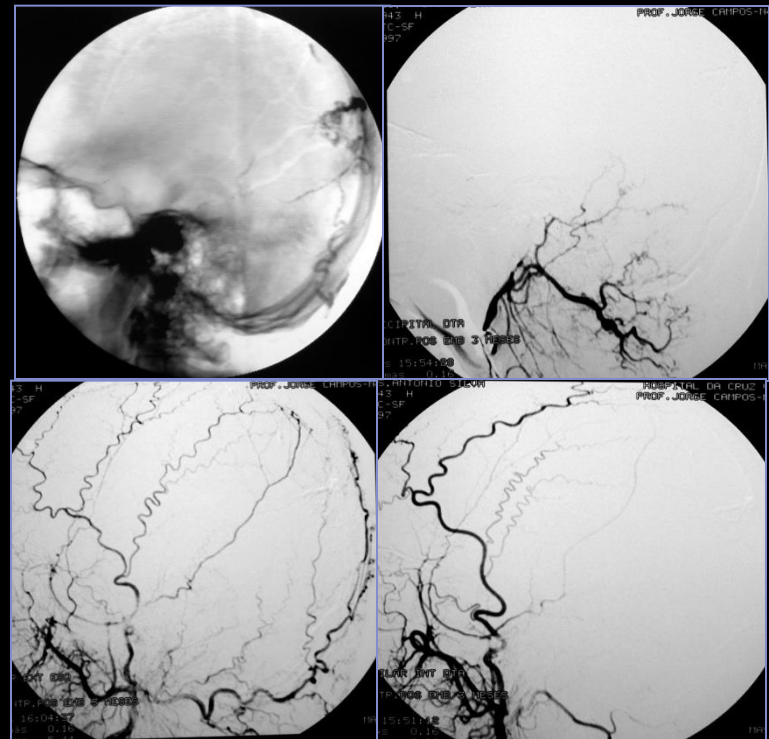
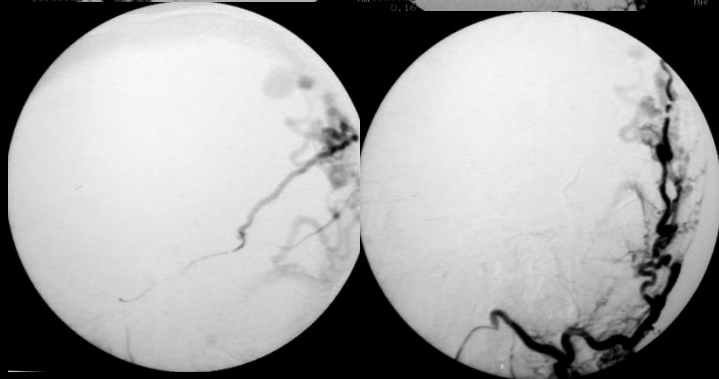
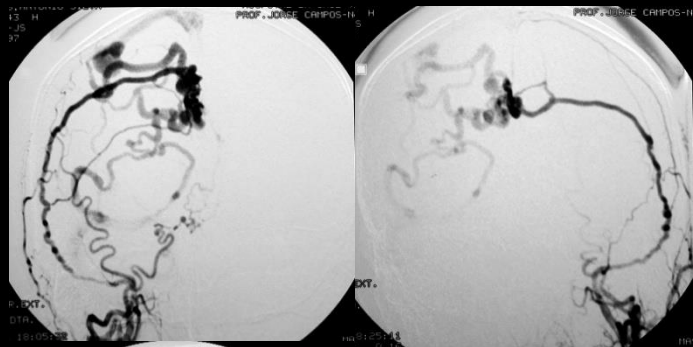
Intra-arterial embolization with GLUE of left middle meningeal and occipital arteries

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ENDOVASCULAR THERAPY PROTOCOLS INTRA-ARTERIAL EMBOLIZATION

Superior sagittal sinus DAVM type IV

epilepsy



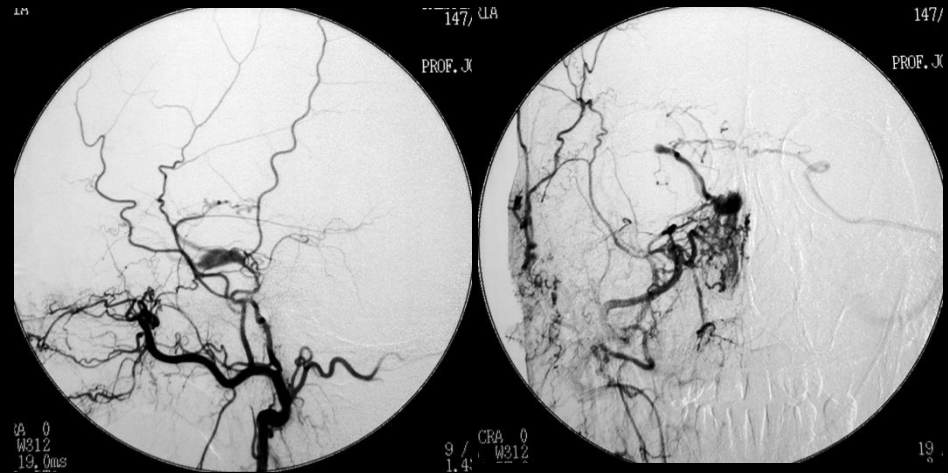
Intra-arterial embolization with GLUE
right and left middle meningeal arteries
and right occipital artery

Dural Arteriovenous Malformations and Fistulae (DAVM'S – DAVF'S)

ENDOVASCULAR THERAPY PROTOCOLS INTRA-ARTERIAL EMBOLIZATION

PARTICLES PVA + GLUE - NBCA

- Multiple shunts – high and low flow feeders
- different type of arterial feeders
- Frequently lateral sinus and cavernous sinus type I / II

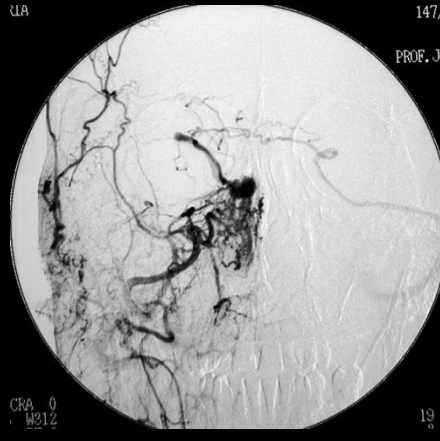
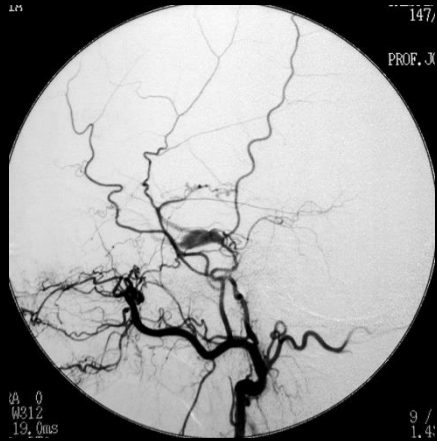


Right cavernous sinus DAVM type II

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Right cavernous sinus DAVM type II



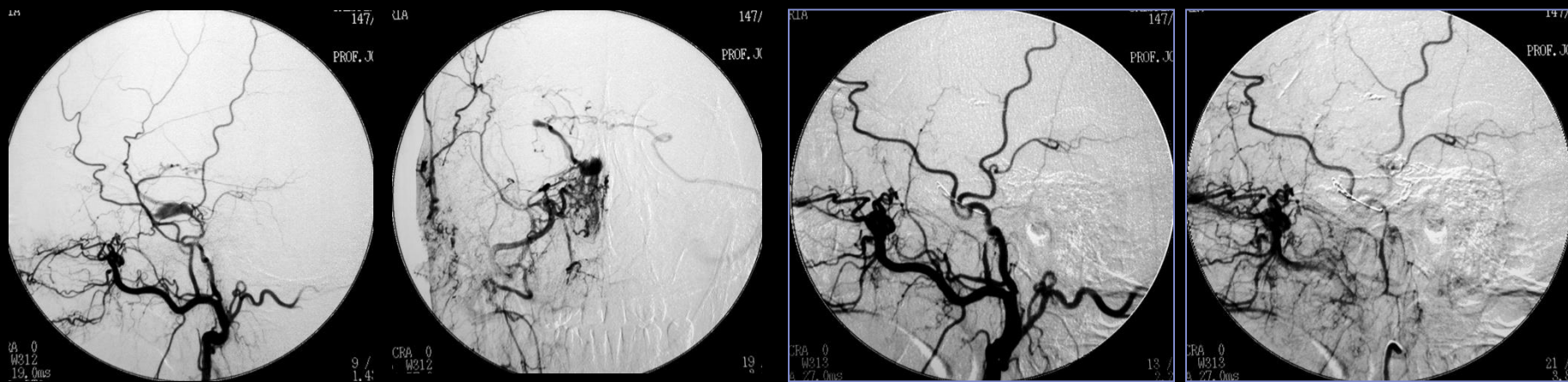
Distal internal maxillary artery with PVA

Middle meningeal artery with COIL and GLUE

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Right cavernous sinus DAVM type II



Distal internal maxillary artery with PVA

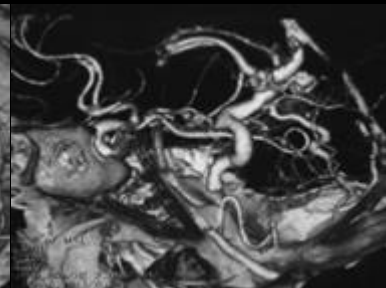
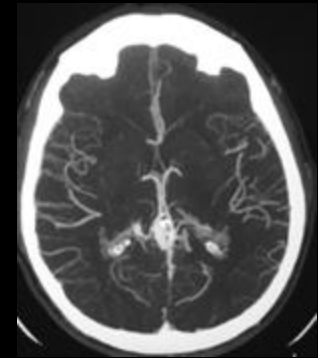
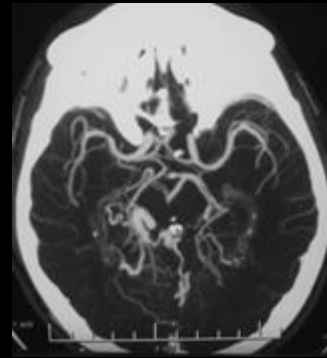
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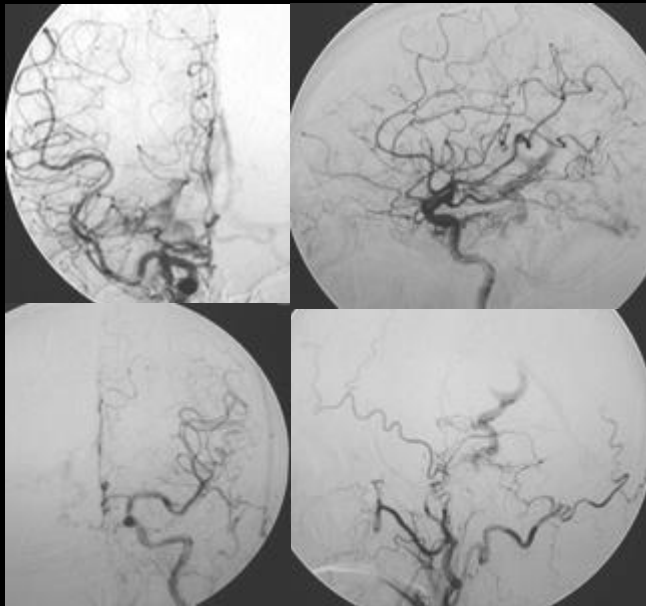
ONYX / SQUID / PHIL

- impossible microcatheterisation of some arterial feeders
- alternative to venous approach
- type I / II complex DAVF'S with multiple AV shunts and high number of arterial feeders
- type III-IV lesions
- Frequently lateral sinus, superior sagittal sinus and tentorial



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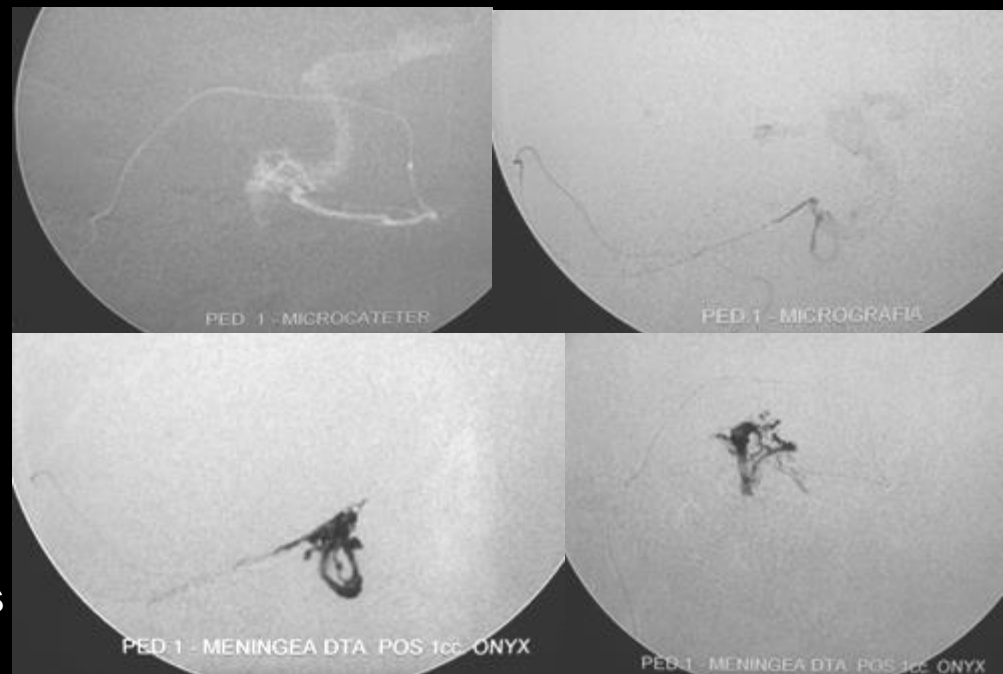
PRE – EMB

Right and left internal carotid – cavernous meningeal branches

Right external carotid – middle meningeal, ascending pharyngeal and occipital arteries

Tentorial DAVF Type III 25th SIMI – Buenos Aires 2016

ONYX – right middle meningeal artery

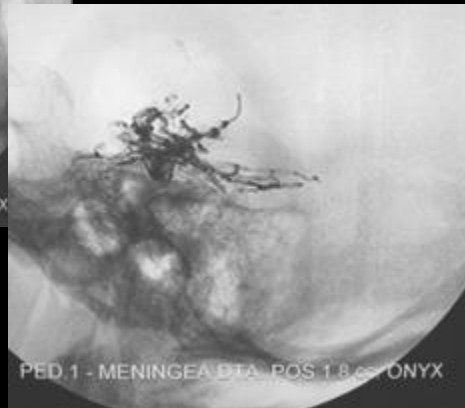
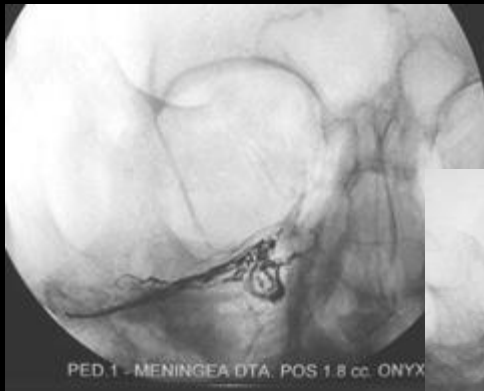


Right distal middle meningeal artery
ONYX CAST

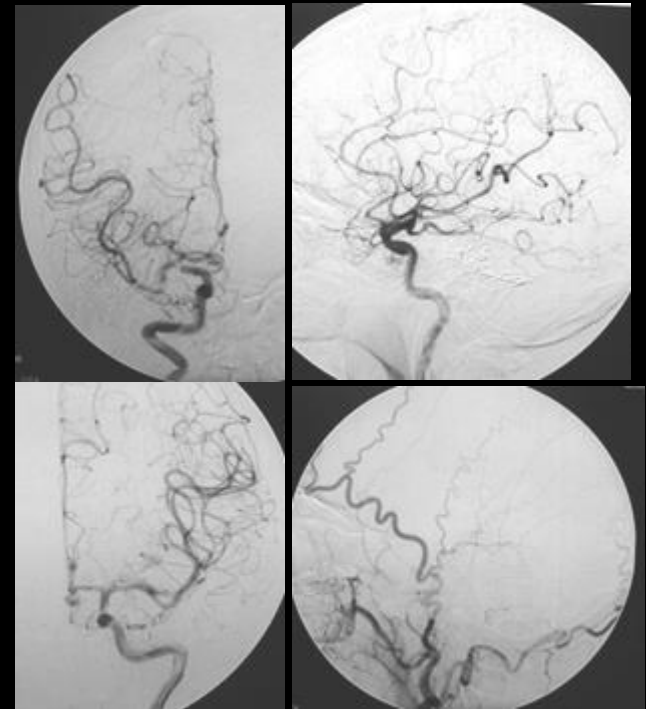
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ONYX



ONYX CAST



Dural Arteriovenous Malformations and Fistulae (DAVM'S – DAVF'S)

ENDOVASCULAR THERAPY PROTOCOLS INTRA-ARTERIAL EMBOLIZATION

Right lateral sinus DAVM type II

2007 right lateral sinus thrombosis

2009 Headache + right bruit + seizures

**right and left middle meningeal and occipital arteries;
right posterior auricular artery; left posterior meningeal
artery; right meningo-tentorial artery**

ONYX

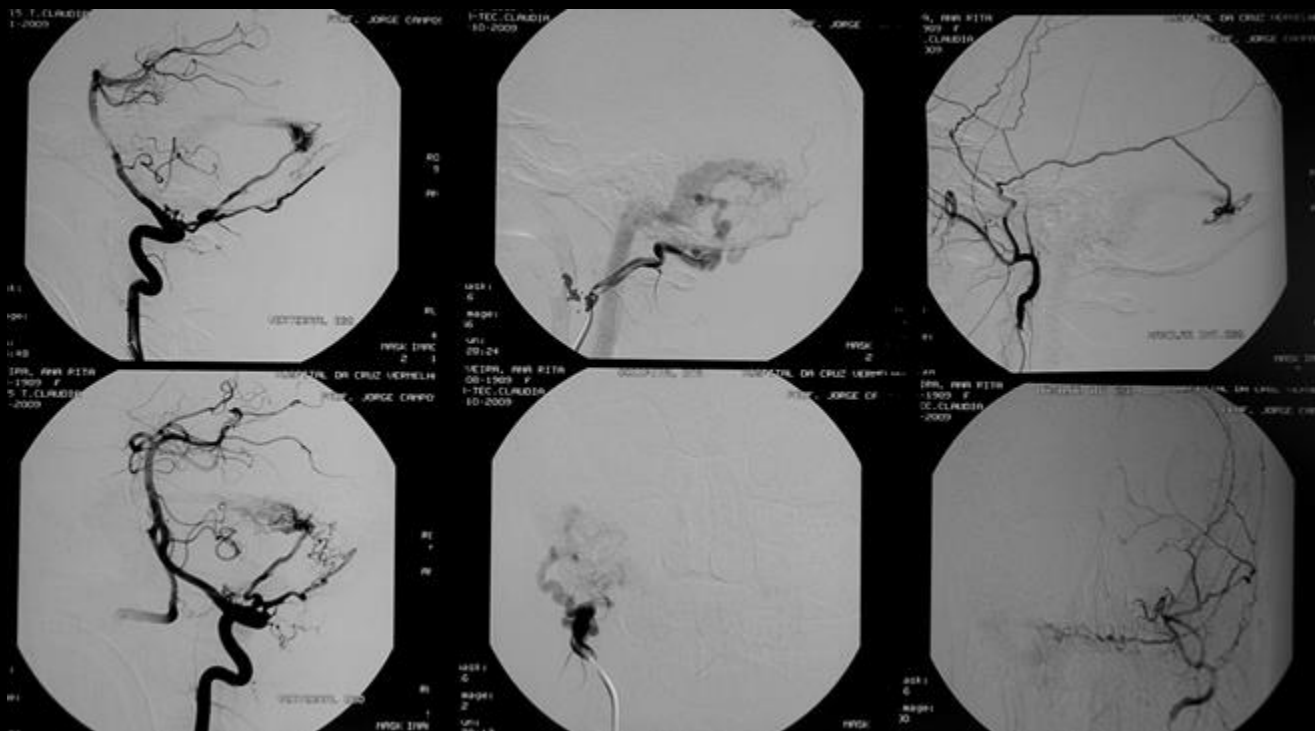
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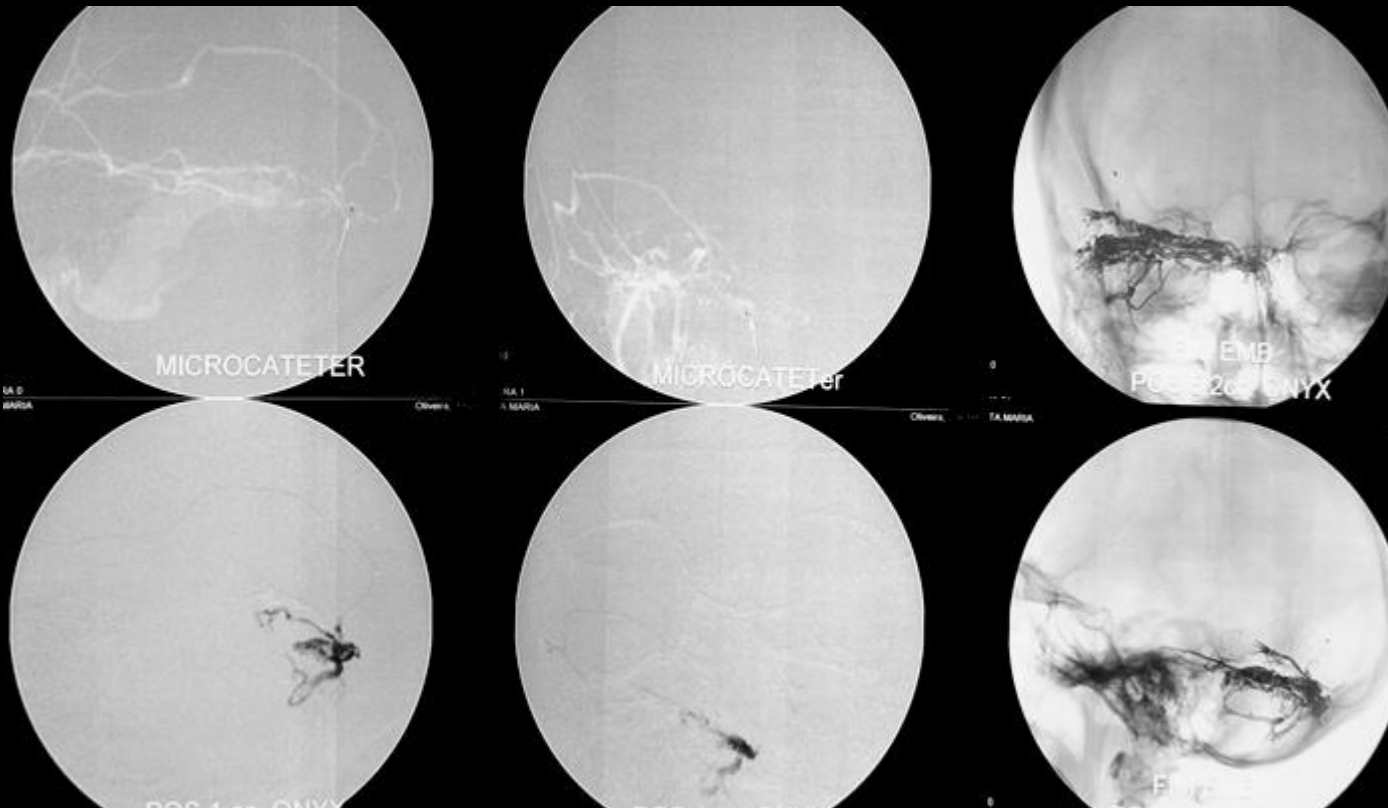
Right lateral sinus DAVM type II

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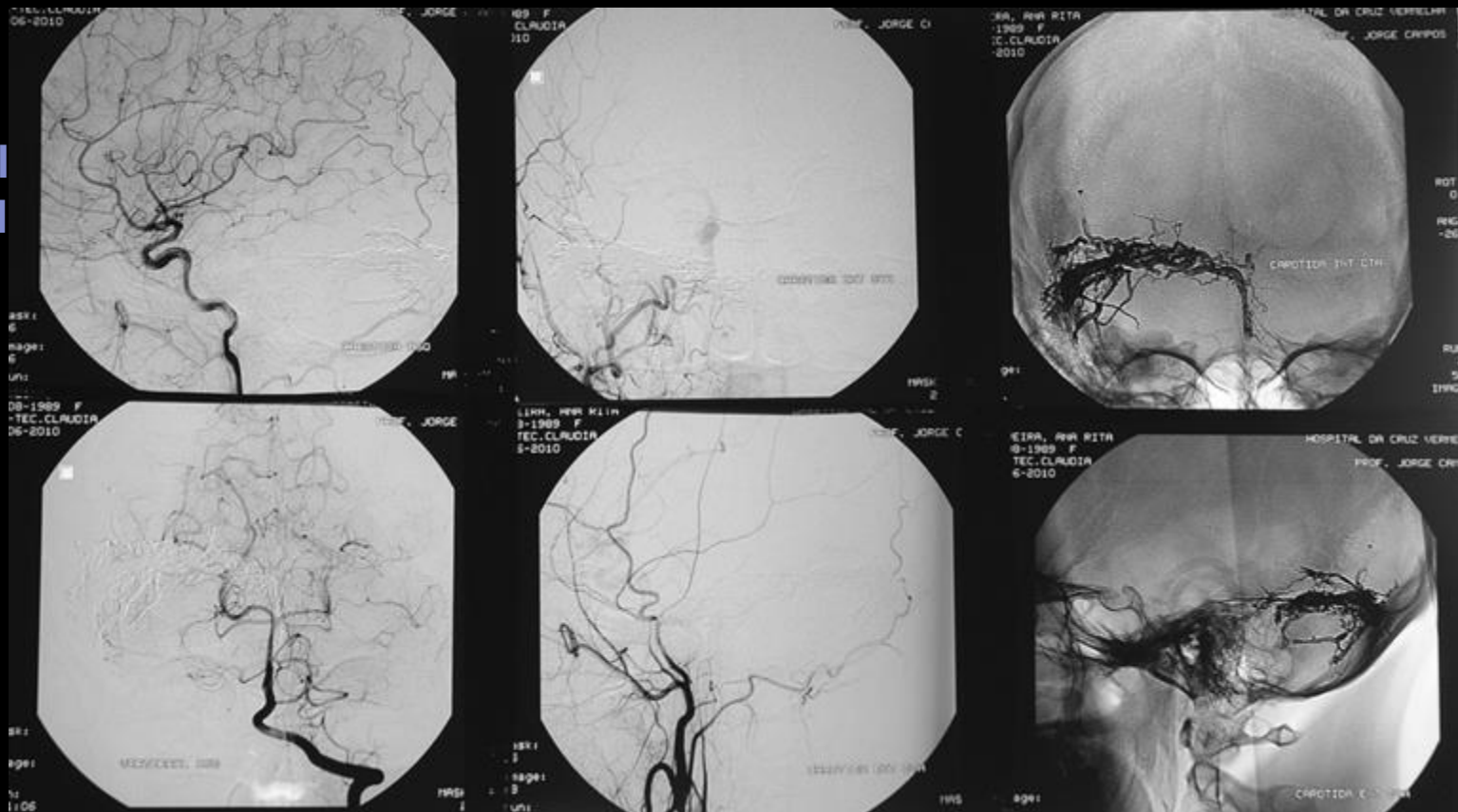
Right middle
meningeal artery
microcatheter
and ONIX cast
(5.2 cc)

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Right lateral
sinus DAVM
type II

Multiple
shunts



5 months follow-up – arterio-venous shunt exclusion

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DAVM type II torcular region

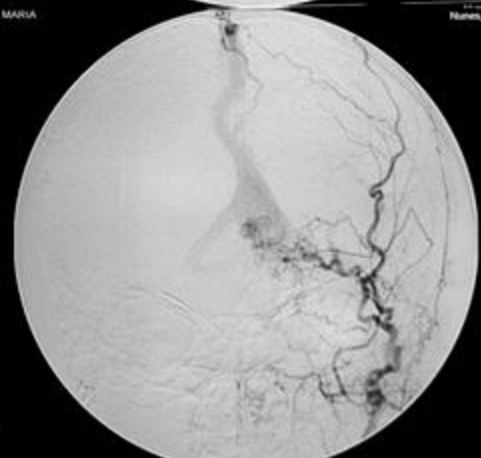
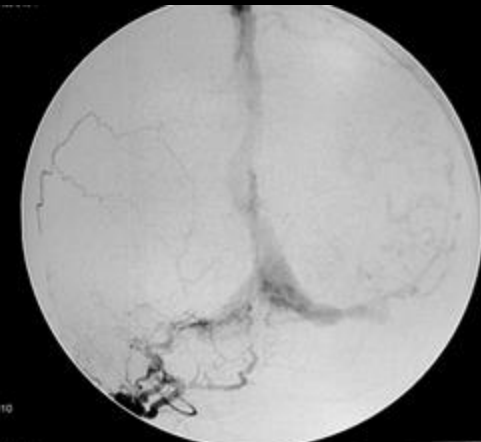
72 y with dementia

right and left middle meningeal
and occipital arteries

exclusion of both lateral sinus

ONYX

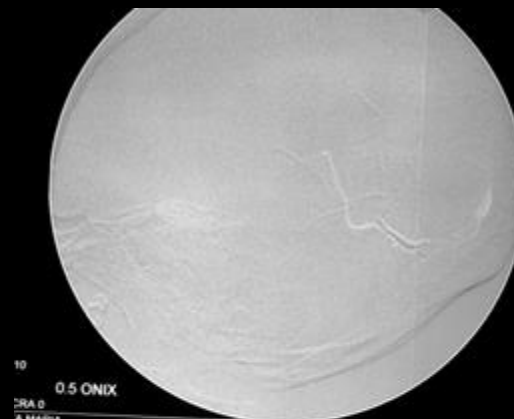
PRE-EMB right and left
external carotid angiograms



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DAVM type II torcular region



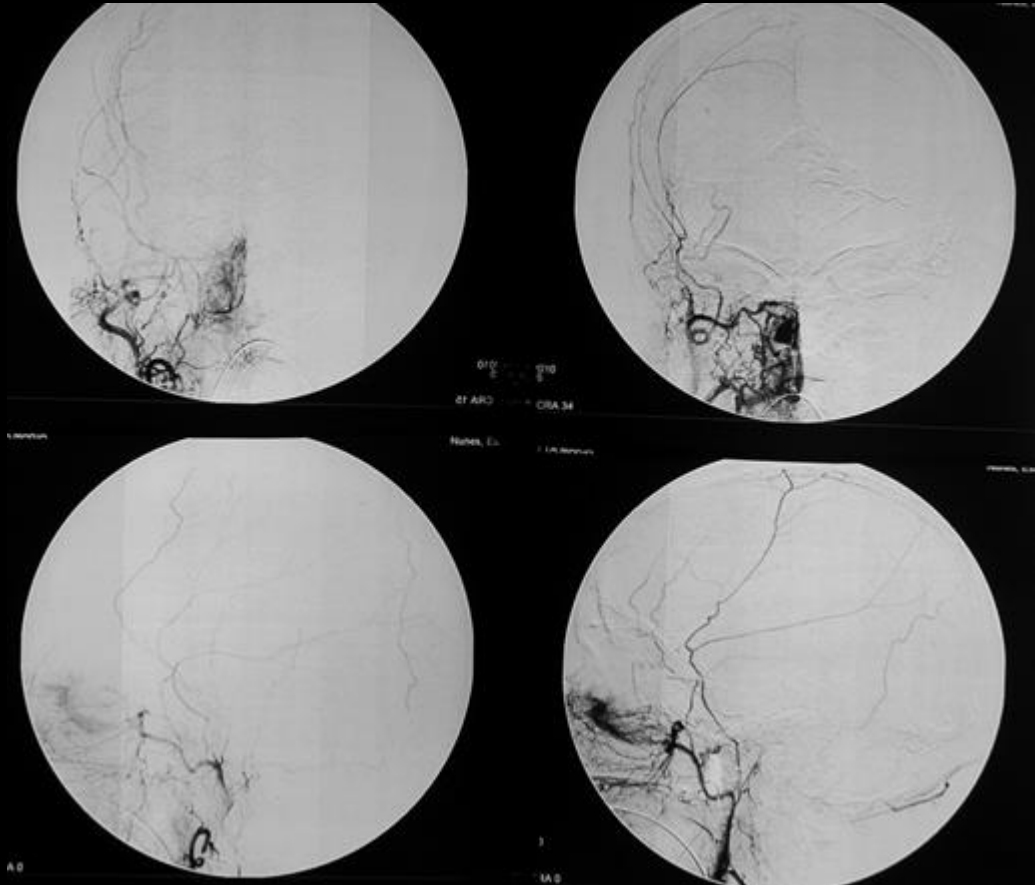
Left middle meningeal artery
ONYX cast – final result



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DAVM type II torcular region



Follow-up right and left
ext. carotid angiograms
Arterio-venous shunt
exclusion – clinical
improvement

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SQUID

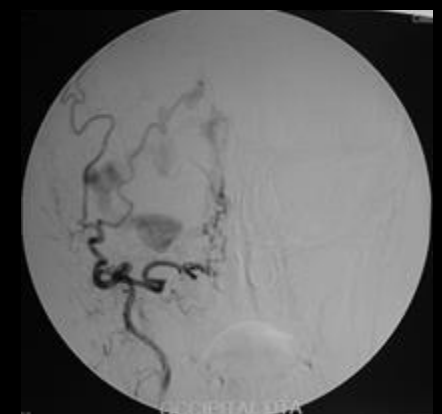
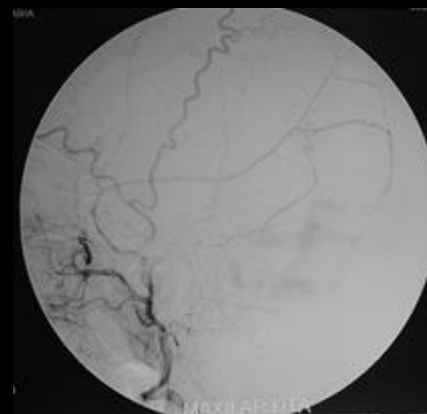
60 y. o.

Cerebellar hematoma

DAVF type IV falx cerebelli

right and left middle
meningeals, ascending
pharyngeals and occipitals

Right meningotentorial branch
of right ACI



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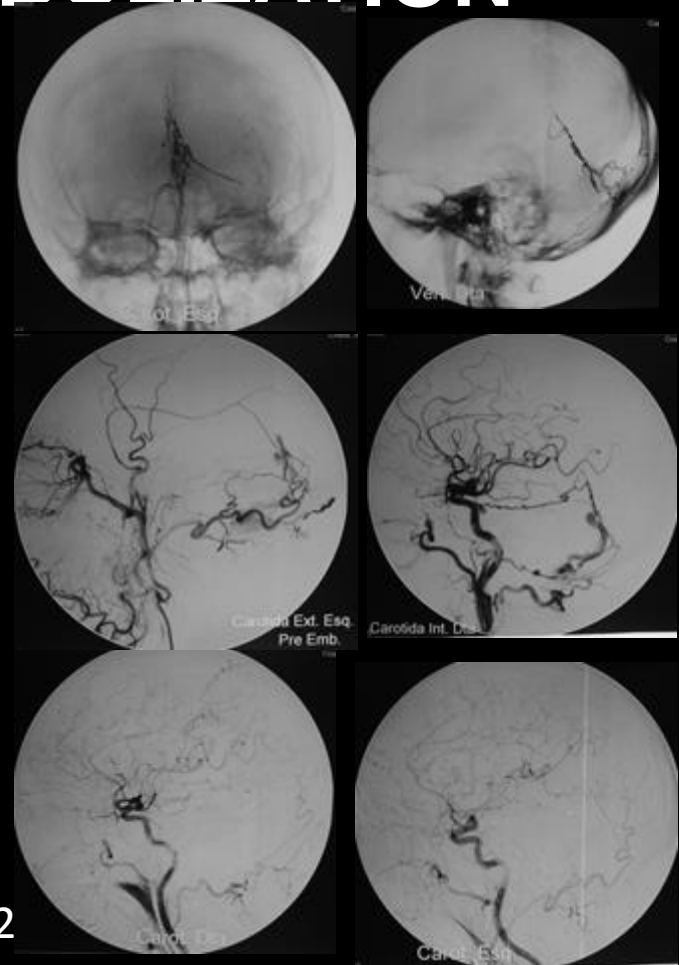
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DAVF type IV falx cerebelli

**right and left middle
meningeals, ascending
pharyngeals and occipitals**

**Right meningotentorial branch
of right ACI**

**SQUID injection – left and right
middle meningeals and left
ascending pharyngeal**

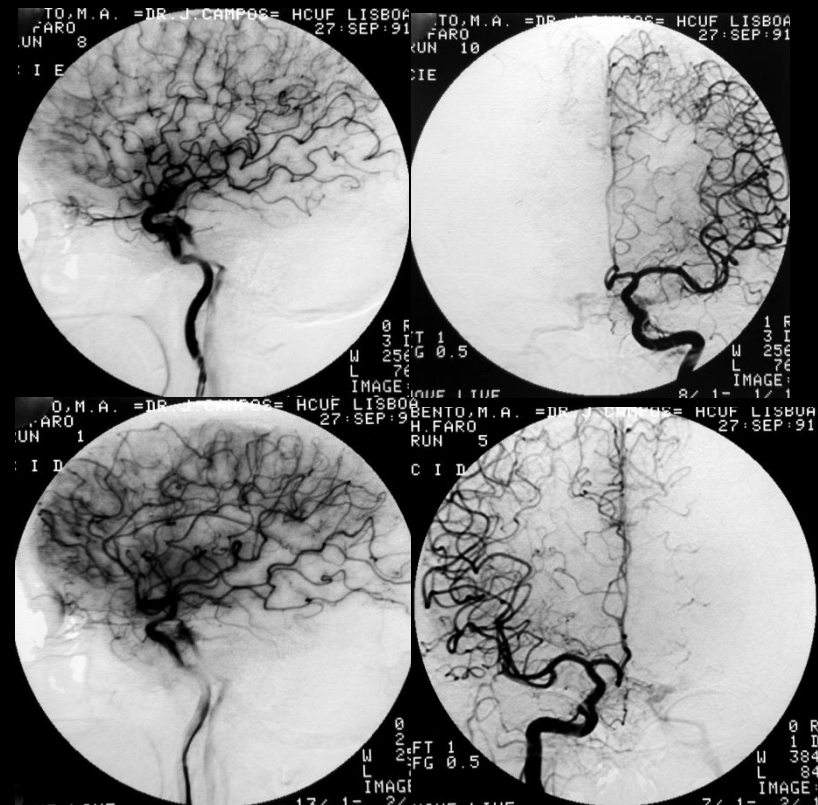


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ENDOVASCULAR THERAPY PROTOCOLS INTRA-VENOUS EMBOLIZATION

SINUS OCCLUSION (Coils)

- type I / II
- multiple shunts
- high number of arterial feeders
- alternative to intra-arterial embolization with Glue / ONYX / SQUID / PHIL or PVA
- frequently cavernous sinus and lateral sinus

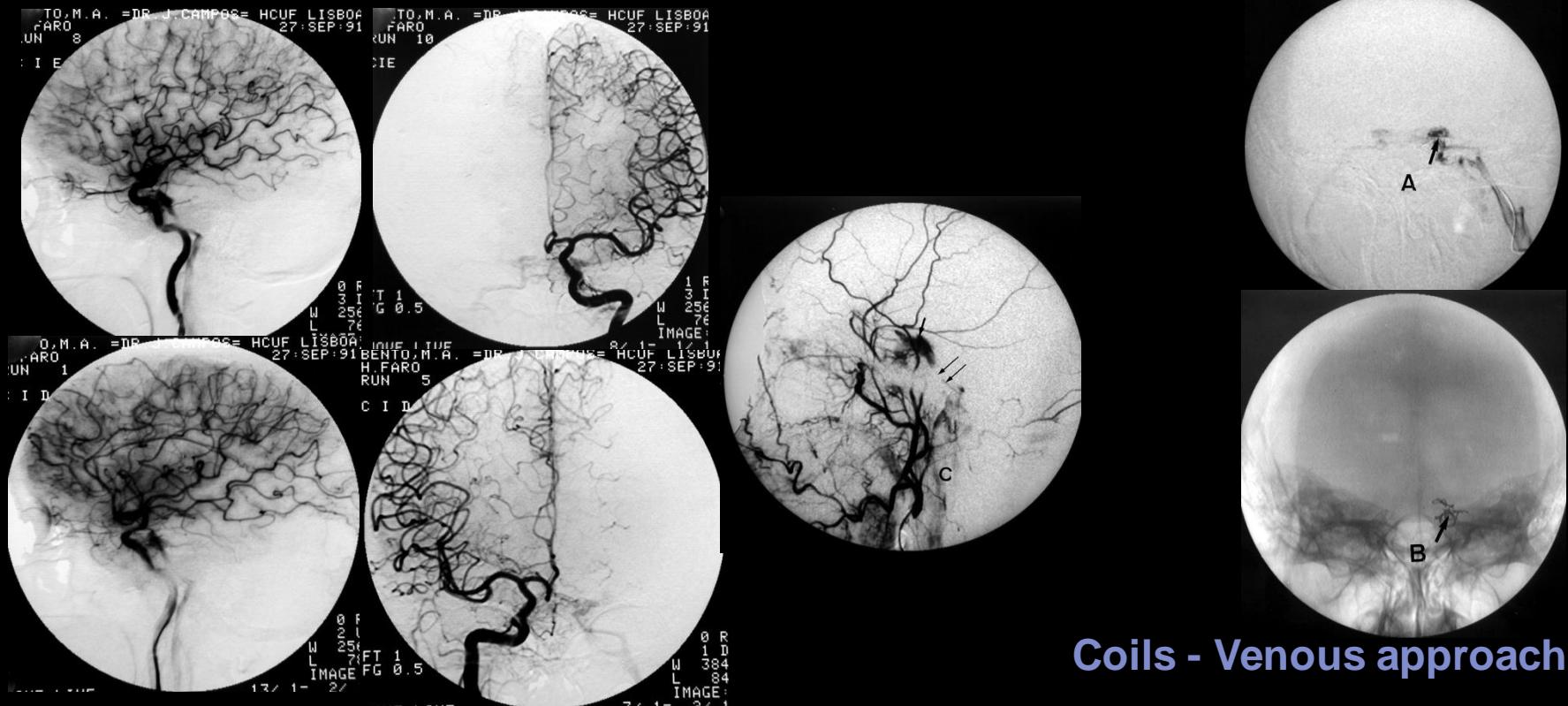


Left cavernous sinus DAVM type I

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Left cavernous sinus DAVM type I

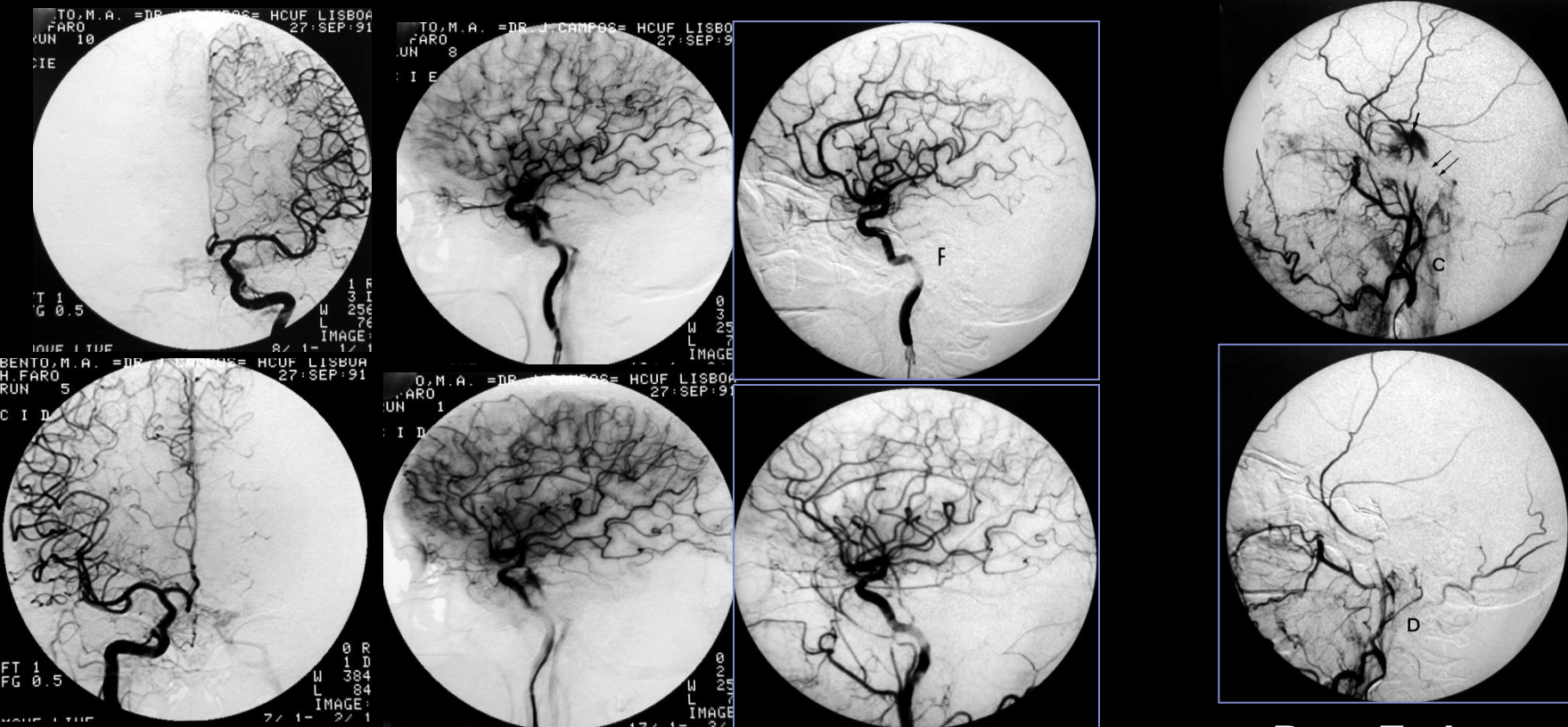


Coils - Venous approach

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Left cavernous sinus DAVM type I



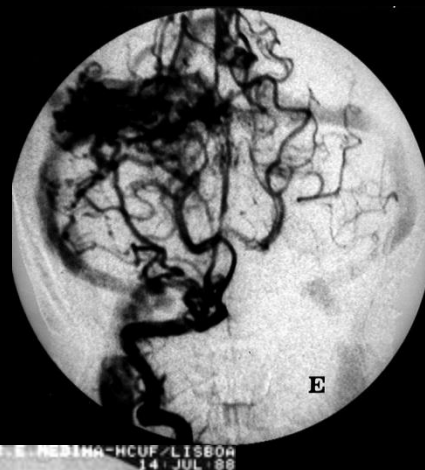
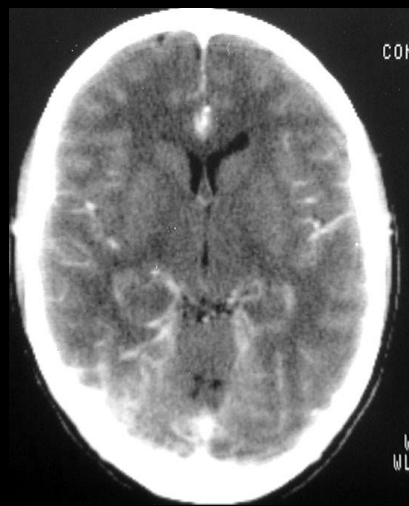
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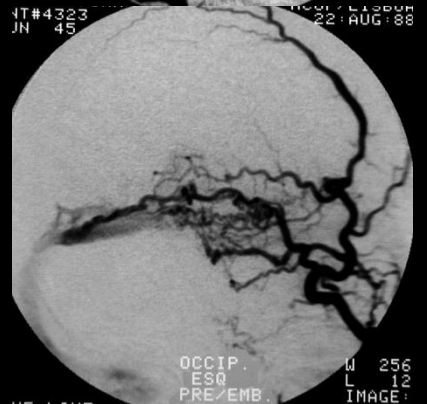
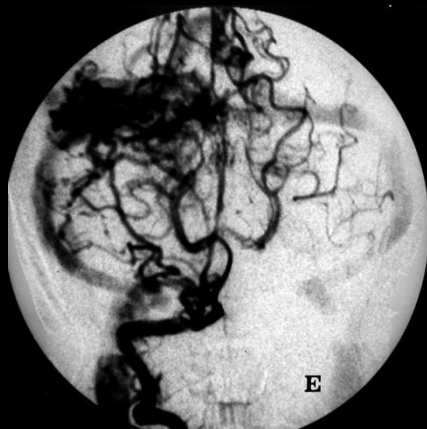
Right lateral sinus DAVM type I



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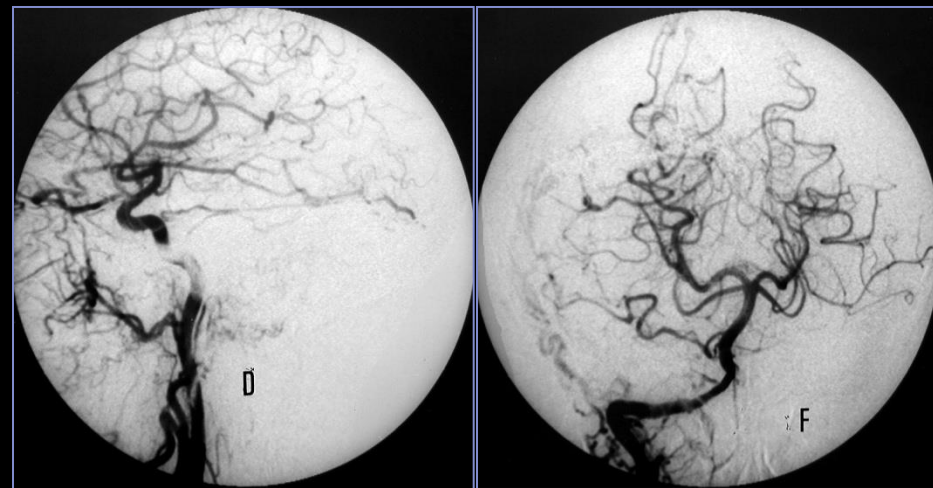
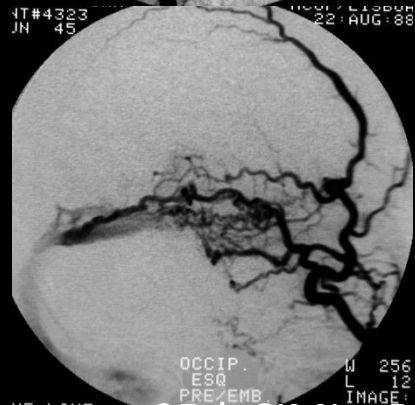
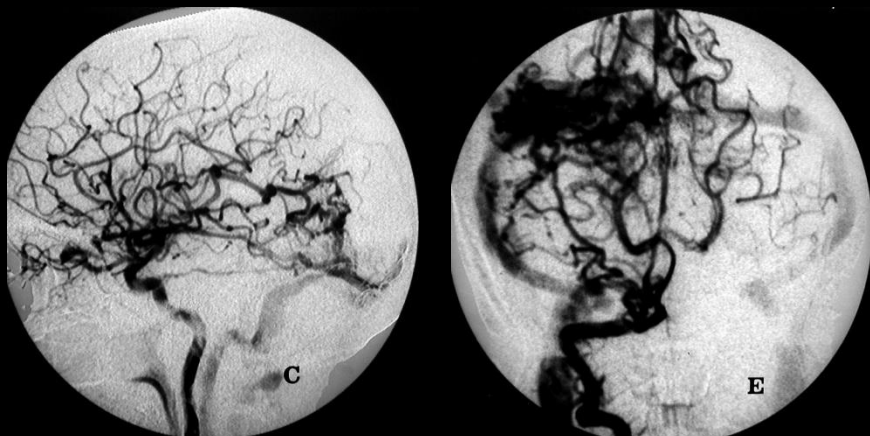


Coils - Venous approach

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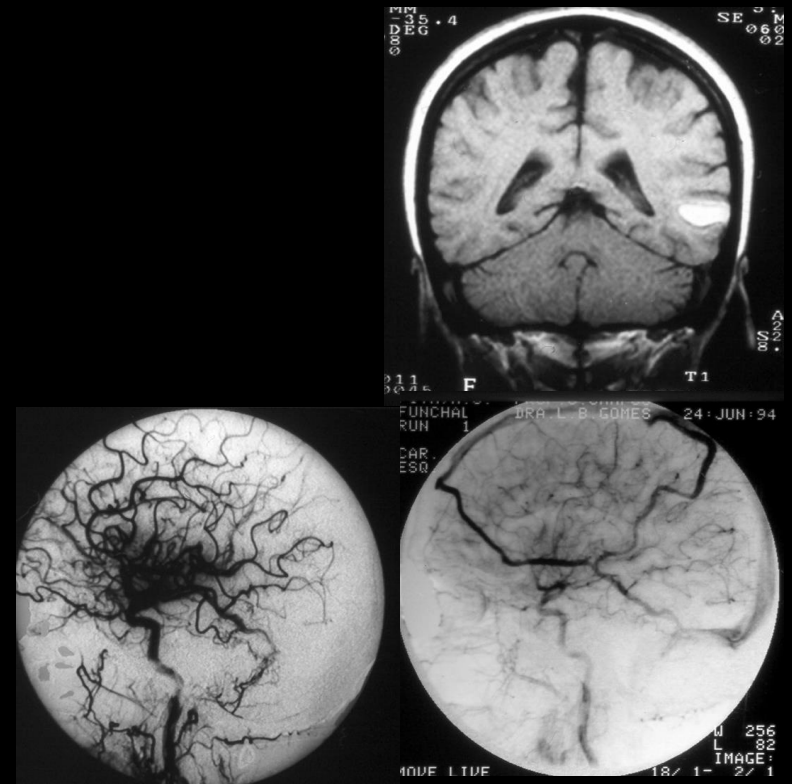
Right carotid and vertebral arteries
POST – EMB

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ENDOVASCULAR THERAPY PROTOCOLS INTRA-VENOUS EMBOLIZATION

DRAINAGE VEIN OCCLUSION (Coils)

- type III / IV DAVF
- impossible microcatheterization of arterial feeders
- alternative to intra-arterial embolization
 - GLUE, ONYX, SQUID and PHIL

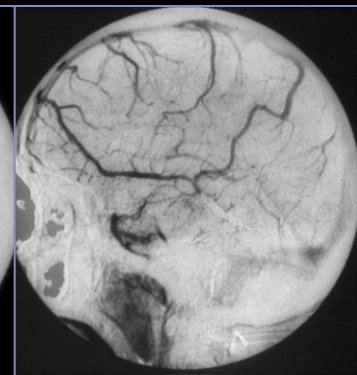
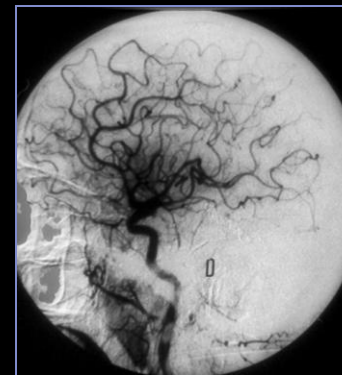
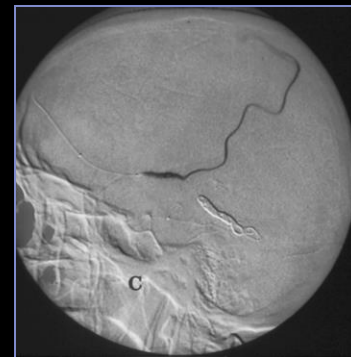
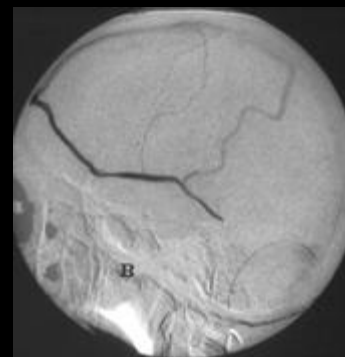
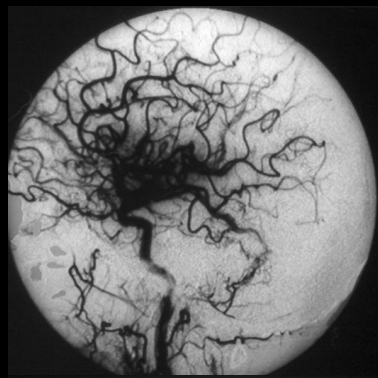


Left lateral sinus DAVM type III

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Left lateral sinus DAVM type III



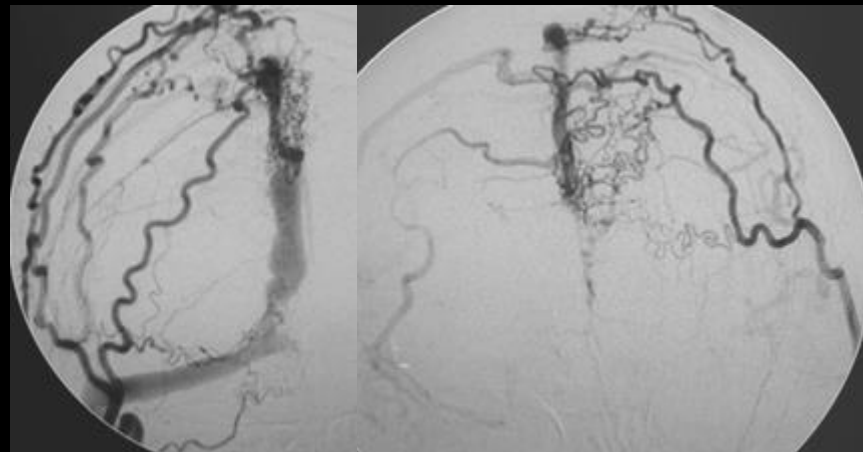
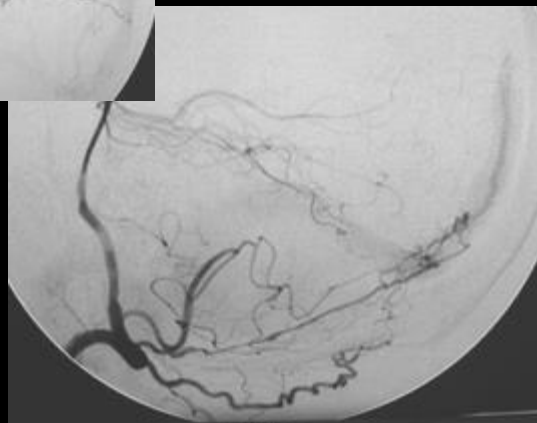
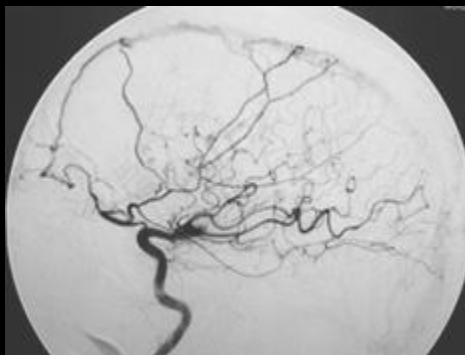
Left carotid angiogram
POST – EMB

Dural Arteriovenous Malformations and Fistulae (DAVM'S – DAVF'S)

ENDOVASCULAR THERAPY PROTOCOLS UNUSUAL INTRAVENOUS EMBOLIZATION

Superior Longitudinal Sinus Occlusion

Male, 74 years, right parietal haemorrhagic
stroke + dementia

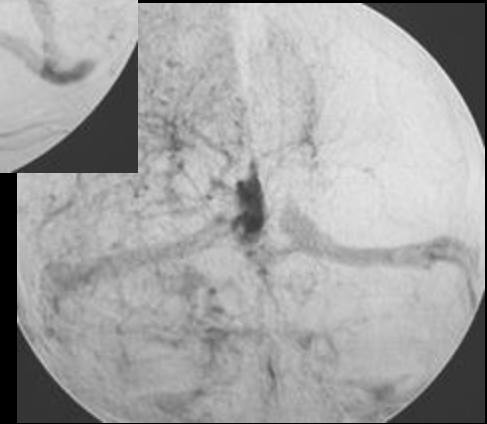
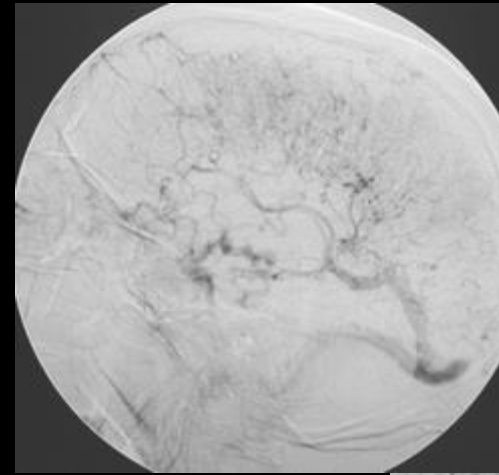
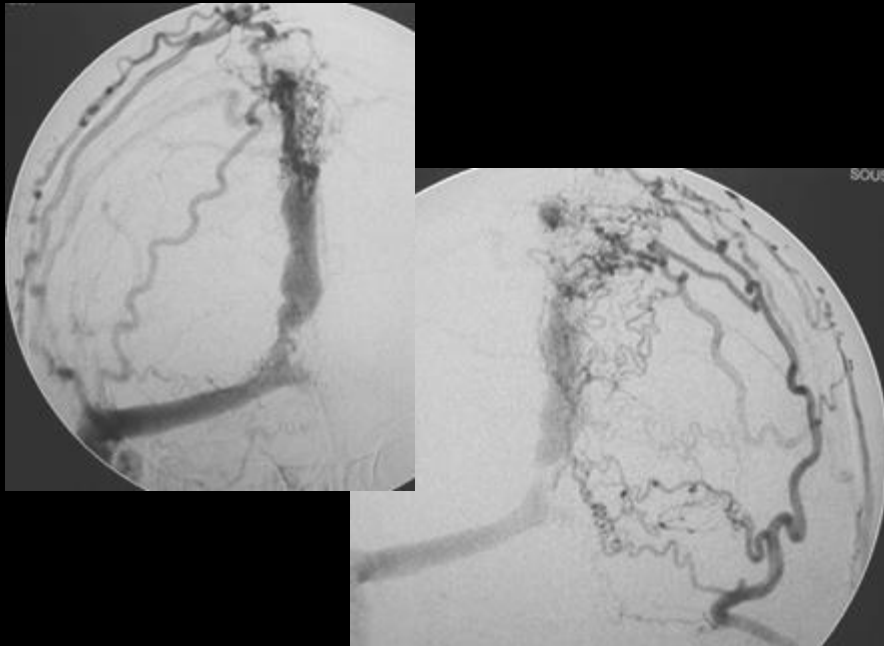


Superior sagittal sinus DAVF type II
Multiple shunts – arterial feeders:
Left anterior and posterior meningeal, right and
left superficial temporal and occipital arteries
(transosseous branches)

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ENDOVASCULAR THERAPY PROTOCOLS UNUSUAL INTRAVENOUS EMBOLIZATION

Superior Longitudinal Sinus Occlusion with Coils

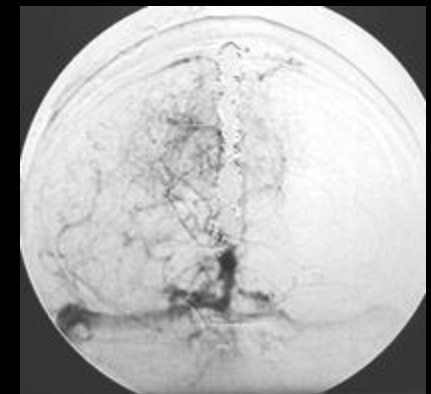
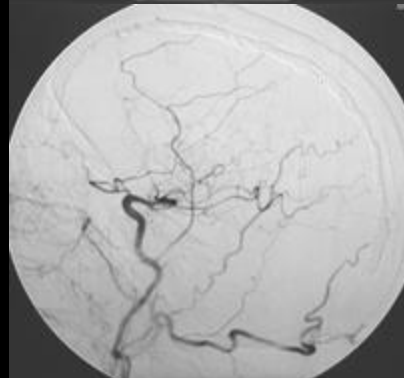
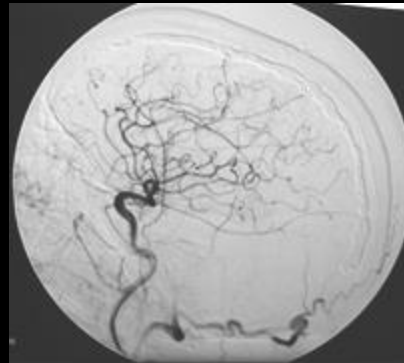
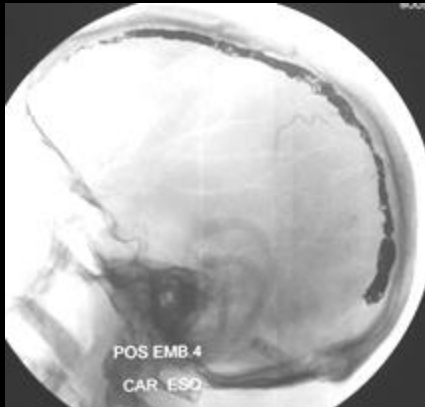


Pre-emb angiogram - DAVF type II
Functional exclusion of the SLS

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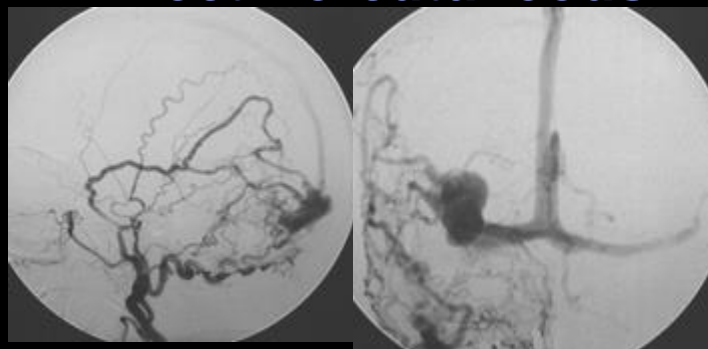
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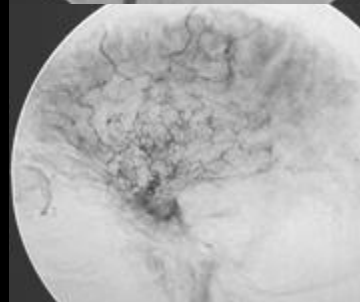
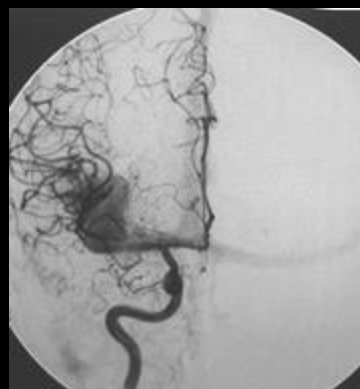
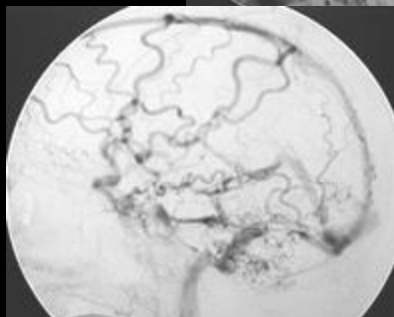
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ENDOVASCULAR THERAPY PROTOCOLS UNUSUAL INTRAVENOUS EMBOLIZATION

Direct Percutaneous Venous Puncture - Coil Embolization



Female, 60 years, lytic occipital skull lesion
+ dementia



Right lateral sinus DAVF type IV

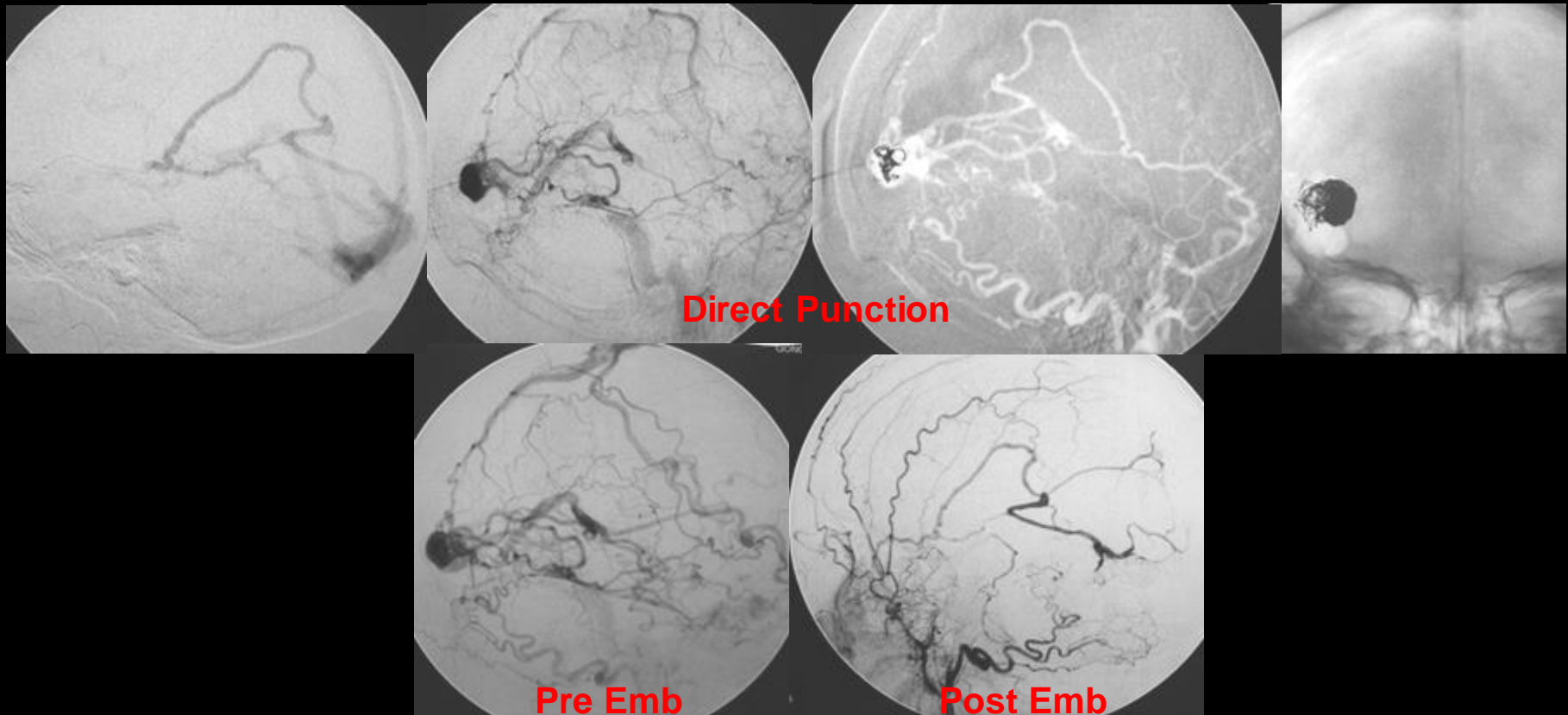
Arterial feeders: Right middle meningeal and
right occipital arteries

Venous hypertension pattern

25th SIMI – Buenos Aires 2016

Dural Arteriovenous Malformations and Fistulae (DAVM'S – DAVF'S)

ENDOVASCULAR THERAPY PROTOCOLS UNUSUAL INTRAVENOUS EMBOLIZATION Direct Percutaneous Venous Puncture - Coil Embolization



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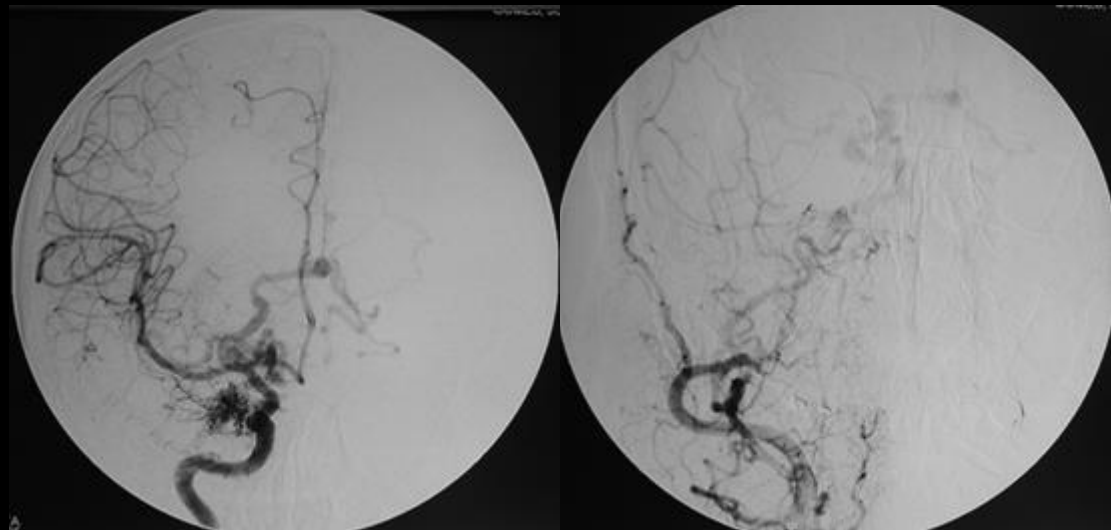
ENDOVASCULAR THERAPY PROTOCOLS INTRA-ARTERIAL EMBOLIZATION

Intra-arterial embolization and Radiosurgery

**Post. Embolization residual
high risk shunts**

**Problematic surgery
(craniotomy)**

Frequently tentorial



Dural Arteriovenous Malformations and Fistulae (DAVM'S – DAVF'S)

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Intra-arterial embolization and Radiosurgery

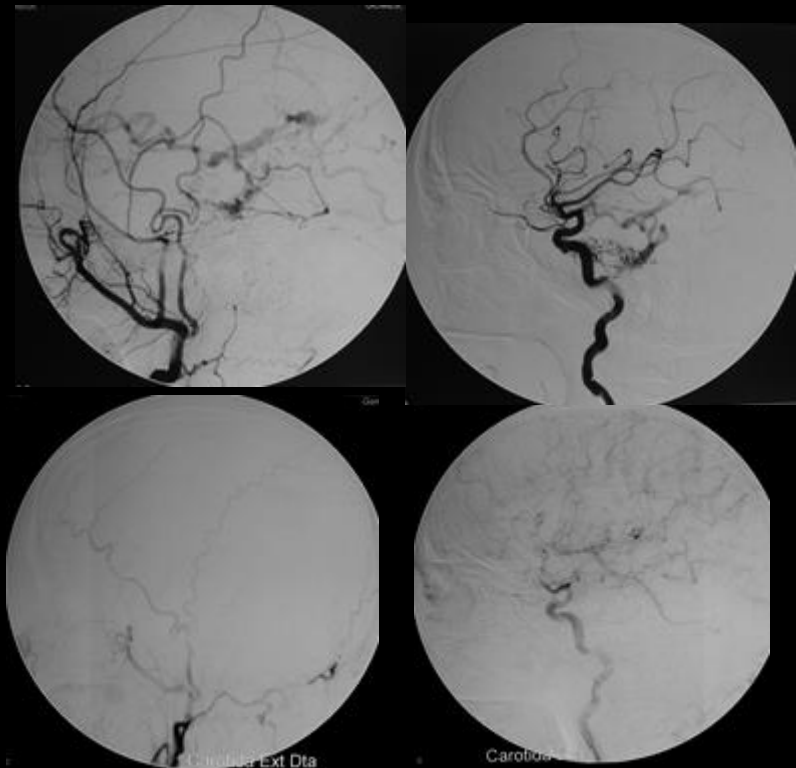
Male 46 y.o.

Headache and Bruit ++ Right

DAVF type III – right middle meningeal, right occipital, meningeal branches of petrous and cavernous segm. of right ICA

5 previous intra-arterial embolizations and PVA – 2007/2008

Residual shunt



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ENDOVASCULAR THERAPY PROTOCOLS INTRA-ARTERIAL EMBOLIZATION

Intra-arterial embolization and Surgery

Residual shunt

Low surgical risk

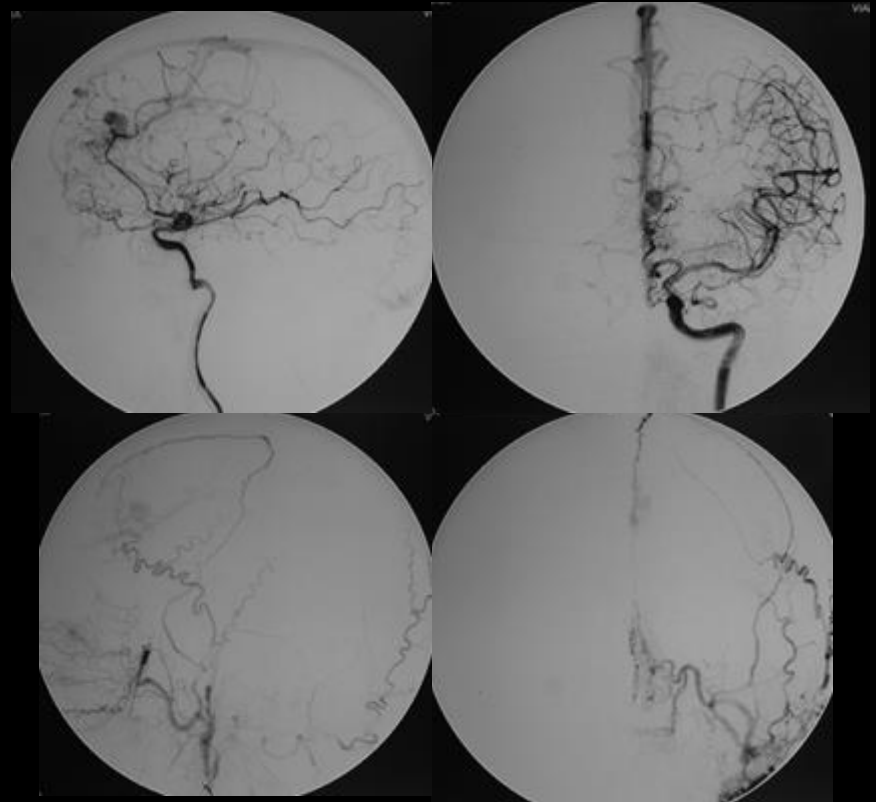
Frequently anterior fossa

Male 51 y.o.

SAH

DAVF type IV left anterior fossa

**2 previous intra-arterial
embolizations left middle meningeal
(PVA), left anterior ethmoidal (Glue)**



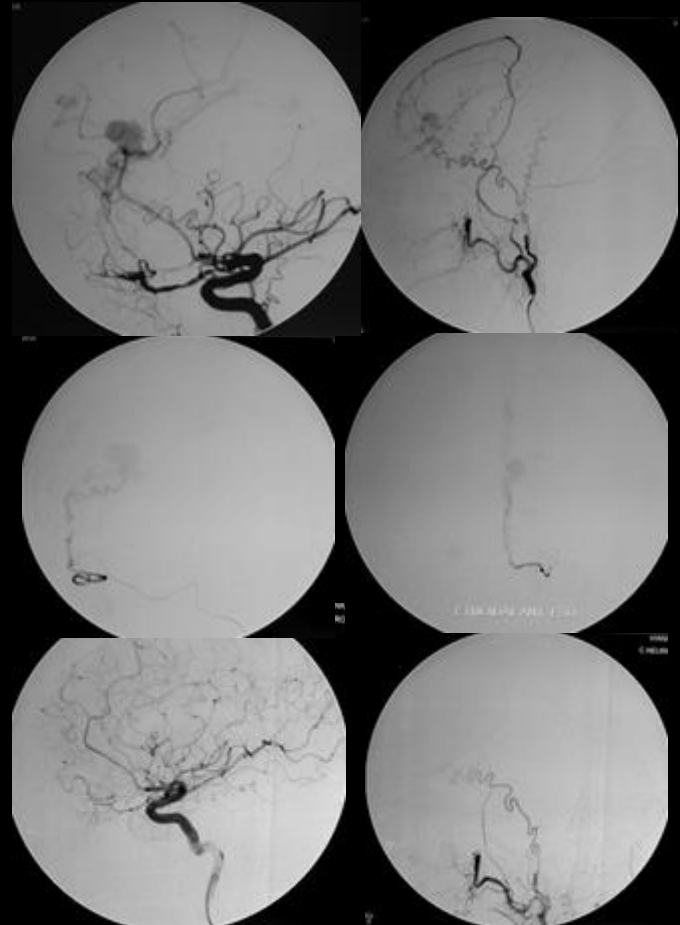
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ENDOVASCULAR THERAPY PROTOCOLS

INTRA-ARTERIAL EMBOLIZATION

Intra-arterial embolization and Surgery (craniotomy)

DAVF type IV left anterior fossa
left middle meningeal (PVA),
left anterior ethmoidal (GLUE)



Post-surgery follow up
Exclusion of the shunt

Dural Arteriovenous Malformations and Fistulae (DAVM'S – DAVF'S)

ENDOVASCULAR SURGERY RISKS AND COMPLICATIONS

ISCHEMIA

- cerebral embolism – anastomosis ECA – ICA / ECA – VA
- cranial nerves palsy

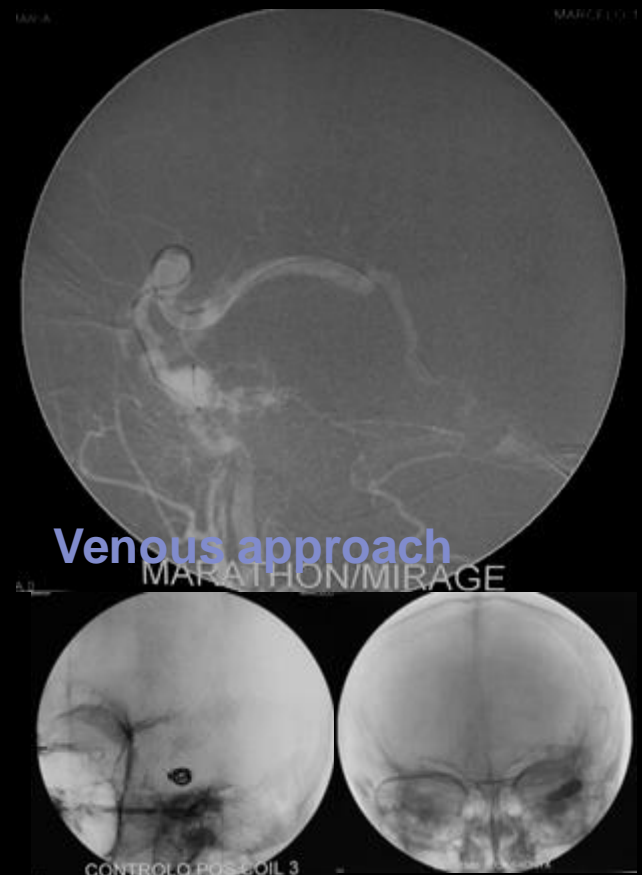
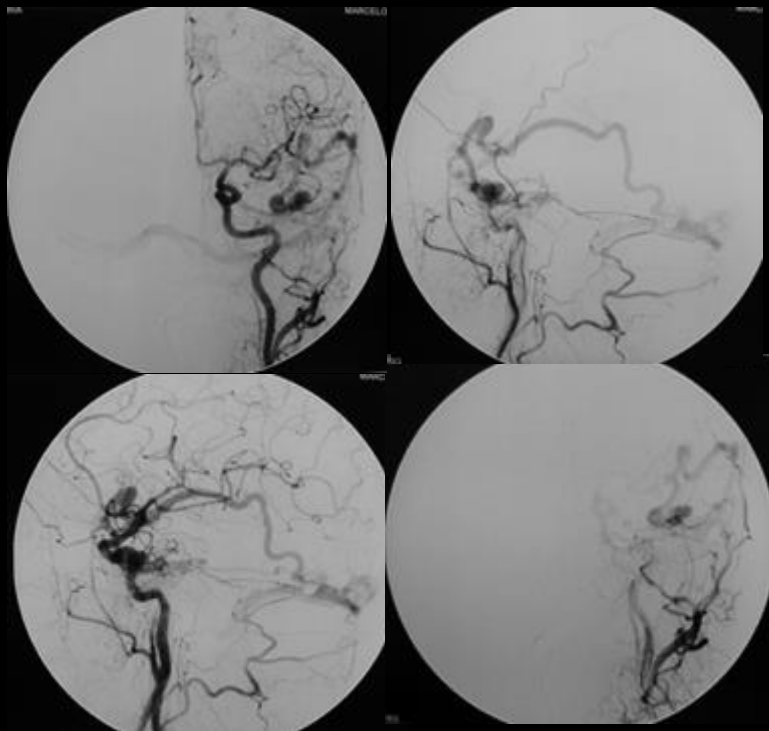
HEMORRHAGE

- intracranial hemorrhage – arterial rupture or venous outflow occlusion without complete embolization of the AV shunt
- transformation of a benign DAVM (type I/II) into a high risk lesion (type III/IV)

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ENDOVASCULAR SURGERY RISKS AND COMPLICATIONS

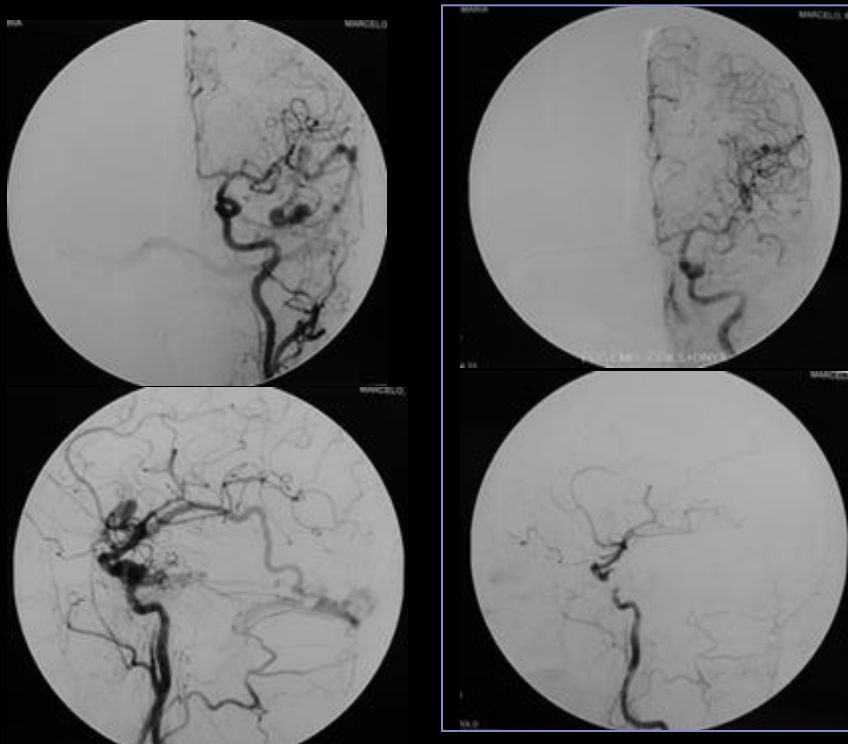
Right temporal fossa DAVM type IV



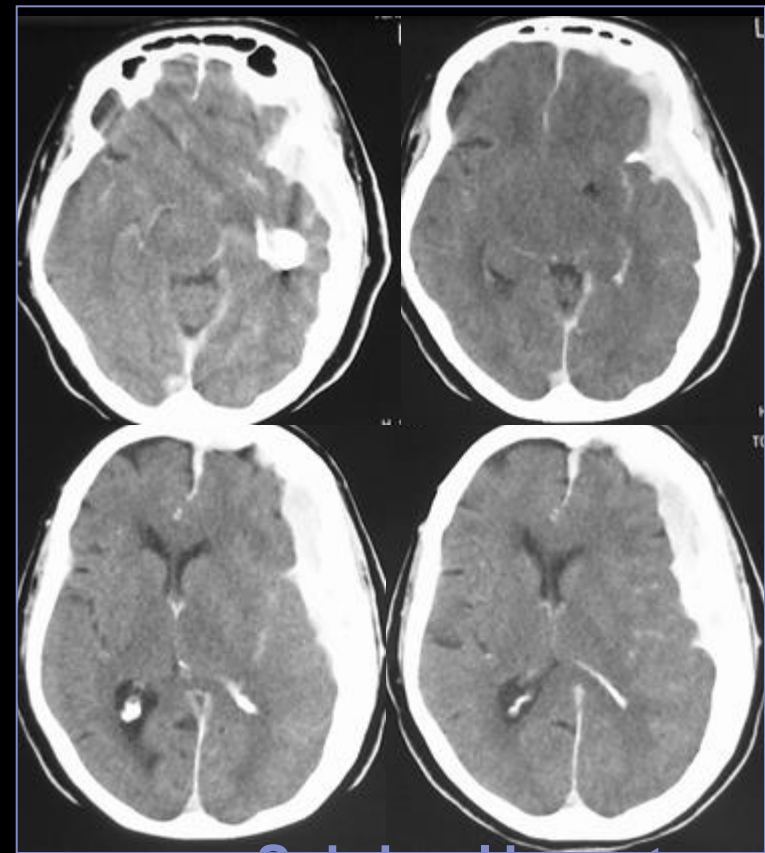
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ENDOVASCULAR SURGERY RISKS AND COMPLICATIONS

Right temporal fossa DAVM type IV



Post
Emb



Subdural hematoma
after embolization

Dural Arteriovenous Malformations and Fistulae (DAVM'S – DAVF'S)

Endovascular embolization - RESULTS

119 patients

Cavernous sinus	51	tentorial	4
lateral sinus	42	anterior fossa	1
SLS	11	temporal fossa	4
Skul base / posterior fossa	6		

COMPLETE ARTERIOVENOUS SHUNT EXCLUSION – 87 %

(6 patients remain in treatment and 5 abandoned the therapeutic protocol)

Clinical improvement or cure – 97 %

Dural Arteriovenous Malformations and Fistulae (DAVM'S – DAVF'S)

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Endovascular embolization - RESULTS

119 patients

CLINICAL COMPLICATIONS 2%

1 right internal carotid embolism

1 left subdural hematoma (venous approach)

MORTALITY 0 %

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ENDOVASCULAR SURGERY

CONCLUSIONS

- Endovascular surgery is the first treatment modality in DAVF with excellent clinical results and arteriovenous shunt occlusion.
- Presents a low morbidity and mortality.
- We should avoid a dogmatic attitude and according to the location and angioarchitecture of the lesion make use of different therapeutic techniques – venous and arterial approach; different embolic materials (PVA particles, Coils, GLUE and ONYX / SQUID / PHIL).

Dural Arteriovenous Malformations and Fistulae (DAVM'S – DAVF'S)

CONCLUSIONS

ENDOVASCULAR SURGERY

The therapeutic options and results depend mainly:

- detailed angioarchitecture and functional haemodynamic analysis
- clinical criteria
- some cases need emergent therapy
- personal experience