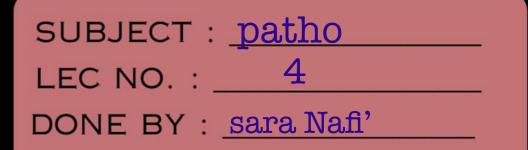
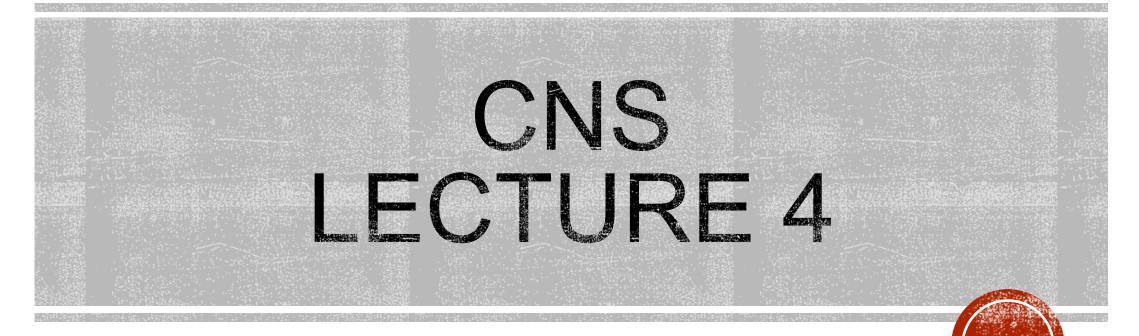




## CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM



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CEREBROVASCULAR DISEASES

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#### SUBARACHNOID HEMORRHAGE

#### Causes:

Rupture saccular (berry) aneurysm

Vascular malformations

Trauma

Coagulopathies

Tumors



### VASCULAR MALFORMATIONS

#### **Classified into four principal types:**

└─> the most common

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- Arteriovenous malformations (AVMs)
- $Cavernous\ malformations \rightarrow {\tt abnormal}\ {\tt perforation}\ {\tt of}\ {\tt the}\ {\tt vessels}$
- أشياء صغيرة كثير Capillary telangiectasias within the capillaries أشياء صغيرة كثير
- زي مبدأ الدوالي Venous angiomas
- <u>AVMs and Cavernous malformations</u> are the types associated with risk of hemorrhage and development of neurological symptoms.
- <u>Capillary telangiectasias and venous angiomas</u> are unlikely to bleed or to cause symptoms, and most are incidental findings

#### vascular malformations :

ممكن تعمل subarachnoid hemorrhage وكمان ممكن تعمل intraparenchymal hemorrhage بتعتمد وين موجود الvascular malformation



## ARTERIOVENOUS MALFORMATIONS (AVM)

 $\rightarrow$ +The most dagerous

The most common type

More common in Males

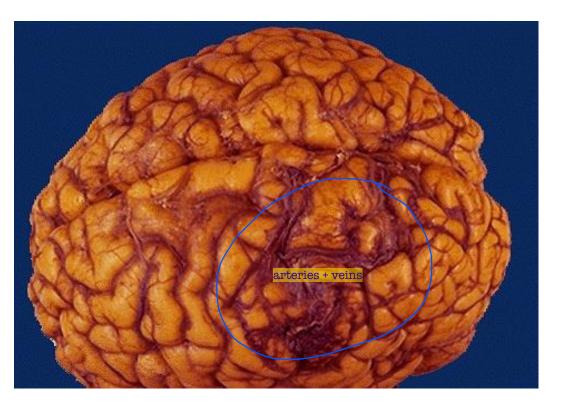
□ Common age (10 and 30 years)

it's dangerous because the pressure of artery is putted direct inside the vain so the risk of rupture is high

- May involve subarachnoid vessels extending into brain parenchyma or occur exclusively within the brain
- Can cause intracerebral hemorrhage, or a subarachnoid hemorrhage, and neurological symptoms (seizures)
- The risk for bleeding makes AVM the most dangerous type of vascular malformation.
- Multiple AVMs can be seen in the setting of hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia (AD disease)

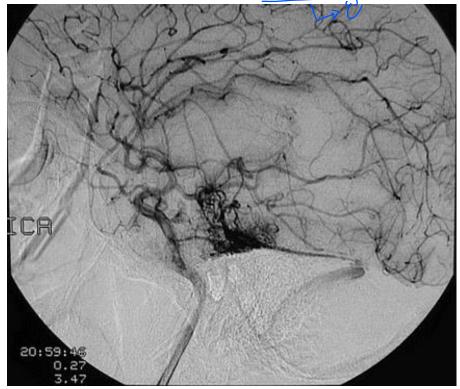


### ARTERIOVENOUS MALFORMATIONS (AVM) بستعمل vascular prblem



Morphology: a mass of irregular, tortuous vessels (wormlike-vascular channels)

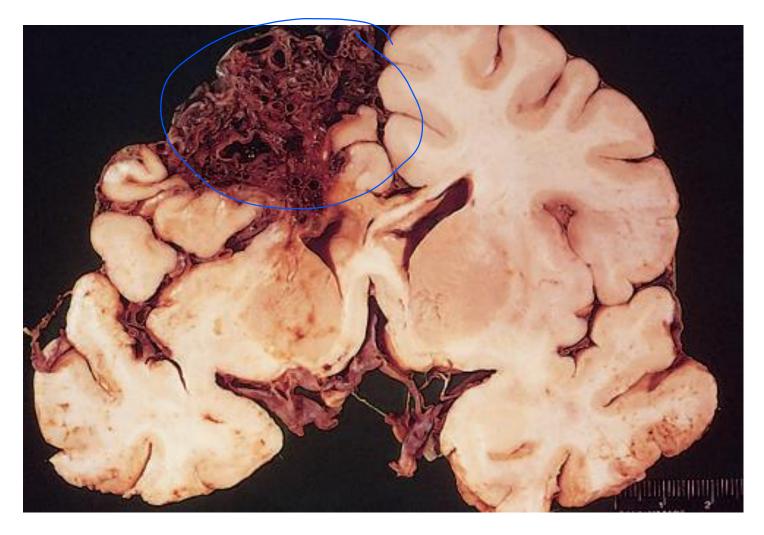
كيف أشخص أي vascular prblem في الجسم؟ angiogram بستعمل MRI او ct <u>scan</u> او



This angiogram demonstrates a tortuous collection of irregular small vessels

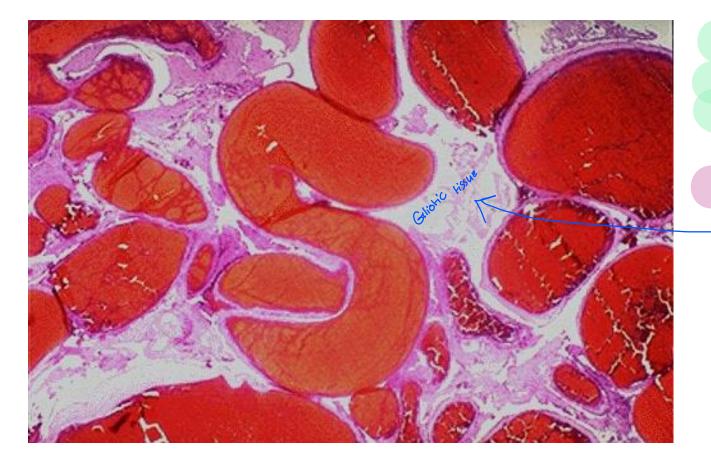


### ARTERIOVENOUS MALFORMATIONS (AVM)





### ARTERIOVENOUS MALFORMATIONS (AVM)



**Histology:** dilated, tortuous, worm-like vascular channels filled with blood (and appearing red). The vessels are separated by gliotic tissue.

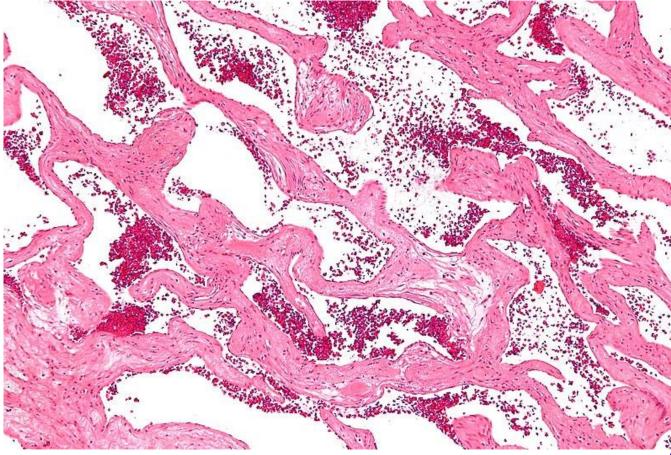
> حكت هي المعلومة مهمة لإنها راح تميز ها عن الcavernous hemangioma

Such lesions may bleed a small amount and be the cause for a seizure disorder.



# فيها bleeding اس أقل AVM من المNOUS MALFORMATIONS

العديمة connections مع بعضها البعض الveins والorteries والarteries والarteries وال



 Dilated thin-walled vascular channels devoid of intervening brain tissue.

 They occur most often in the cerebellum, pons, and subcortical regions, and have a low blood flow without significant arteriovenous shunting

ما فيها كثير significant pressure زي الAVM لانه مافي blood of arteries بتروح عال

#### CAPILLARY TELANGIECTASIAS AND VENOUS ANGIOMAS (VARICES)

 Capillary telangiectasias are microscopic foci of dilated thin-walled vascular channels separated by relatively normal brain parenchyma that occur most frequently in the pons.

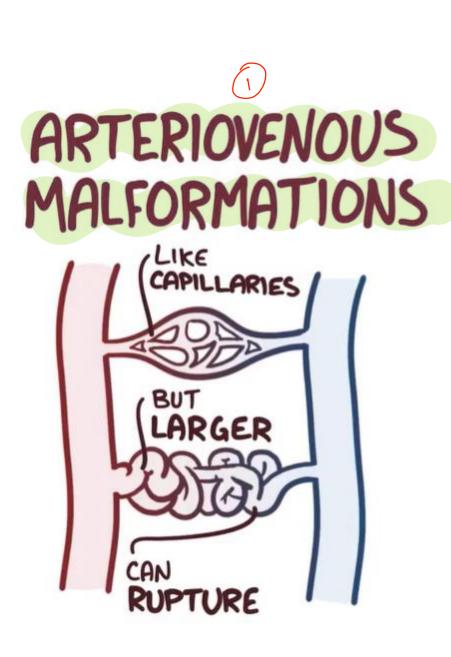
Venous angiomas (varices) consist of aggregates of ectatic venous channels.



Location	Etiology	Additional Features
Epidural space	Trauma	Usually associated with a skull fracture (in adults); rapidly evolving neurologic symptoms requiring intervention
Subdural space	Trauma	Level of trauma may be mild; slowly evolving neurologic symptoms, often with a delay from the time of injury
Subarachnoid space	Vascular abnormalities (arteriovenous malformation or aneurysm) Trauma	Sudden onset of severe headache, often with rapid neurologic deterioration; secondary injury may emerge due to vasospasm Typically associated with underlying contusions
<b>∛ I</b> ntraparenchymal	Trauma (contusions) Hemorrhagic conversion of an ischemic infarction Cerebral amyloid angiopathy	Selective involvement of the crests of gyri where the brain contacts the skull (frontal and temporal tips, orbitofrontal surface) Petechial hemorrhages in an area of previously ischemic brain, usually following the cortical ribbon "Lobar" hemorrhage, involving cerebral cortex, often with extension into the subarachnoid space
Most common cause of $\checkmark$	Hypertension	Centered in the deep white matter, thalamus, basal ganglia, or brain stem; may extend into the ventricular system
	Tumors (primary or metastatic)	Associated with high-grade gliomas or certain metastases (melanoma, choriocarcinoma, renal cell carcinoma)

#### Table 23.1 Patterns of Vascular Injury in the Central Nervous System





• other causes of intraparenchymal hemorrhage :

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L INFLAMMATION of BLOOD

\* VASCULAR TUMORS

\* CEREBRAL AMYLOID

L PROTEIN DEPOSITS IN WALLS

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Le.g. HEMANGIOMA

\* VASCULITIS

VESSEL WALLS

ANGIOPATHY

AND ALSO

#### CEREBRAL AMYLOID ANGIOPATHY AND VASCULITIS

أهم معلومة انها associated مع الzeheimer disease

Cerebral amyloid angiopathy (CAA): AB amyloid plaques (Alzheimer disease) deposit in the walls of medium- and small-caliber meningeal and cortical vessels.

- Amyloid deposition weakens vessel walls and increases the risk for hemorrhages
- CAA-associated hemorrhages often occur in the lobes of the cerebral cortex (lobar hemorrhages)

**Vasculitis:** inflammation and destruction of vessel walls >> compromise blood flow

 (Causes: infections; syphilis, aspergillosis, herpes zoster, or CMV, or systemic vasculitis; polyarteritis nodosa PAN)



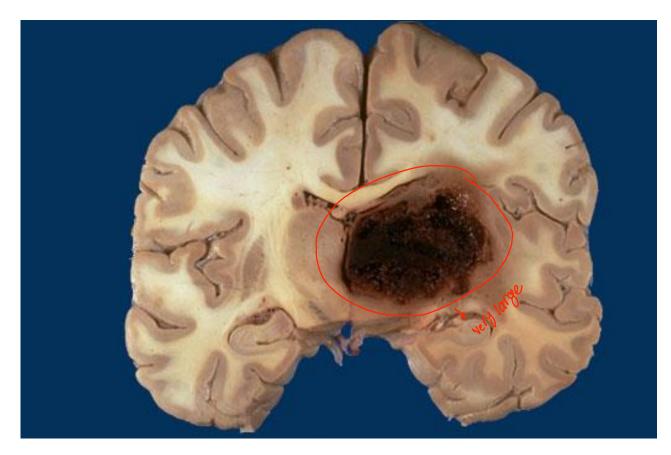


Is the commonest cause of intraparenchymal hemorrhage (50%)

- Accounts for approx. 15% of deaths among patients with chronic hypertension
- Intracerebral hemorrhage can affect large portions of the brain (devastating), or extends into the ventricular system; It can affect small regions and be (clinically silent).

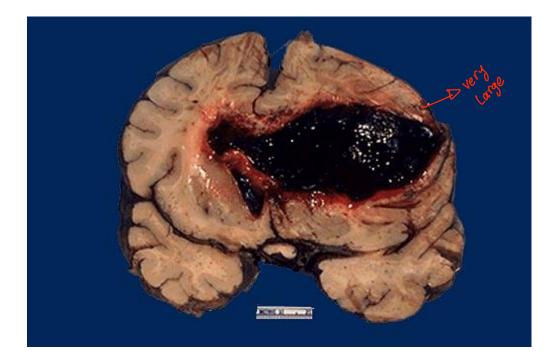
Typically occur in the basal ganglia (mainly putamen), thalamus, pons, and cerebellum.

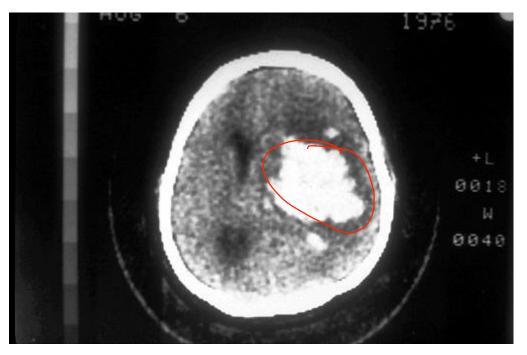
 If patients survives the acute event, gradual resolution of the hematoma ensues, with clinical improvement.
 دا کان ال hemorrhage قلیل ممکن یصیر resolution ویعیش المریض neurological symptoms نتیجة ال death



Hemorrhages involving the basal ganglia area (the **putamen** in particular) are usually caused by hypertension, which damages and weakens the small penetrating arteries.

A mass effect with midline shift, often with secondary edema, may lead to herniation





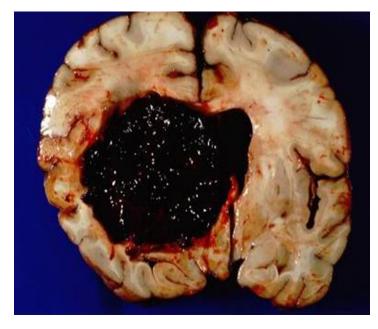
The large hemorrhage in this adult brain arose in the basal ganglia region of a patient with hypertension. This is one cause for a "stroke". This computed tomographic (CT) scan of the head demonstrates an area of hemorrhage in a patient with a history of hypertension.

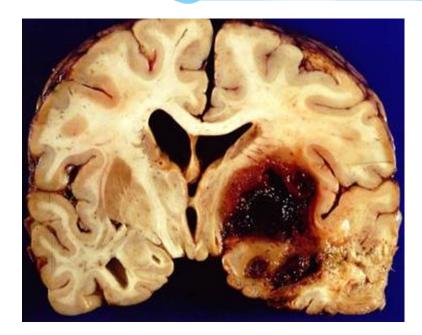


#### Intracerebral hemorrhage in hypertension:

Acute: Extravasation of blood with compression of adjacent parenchyma Old: Cavitary destruction of brain with a rim of brown discoloration.

resolution of blood







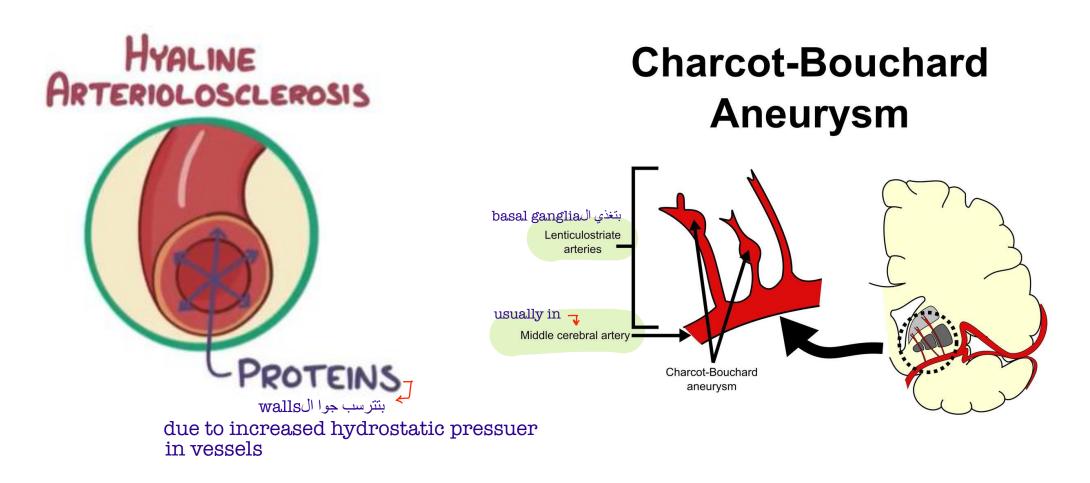
, due to hypertension or DM

- Hypertension causes <u>hyaline arteriolar sclerosis</u> of the deep penetrating arteries and arterioles.
- Affected arteriolar walls are weakened and are more vulnerable to rupture.

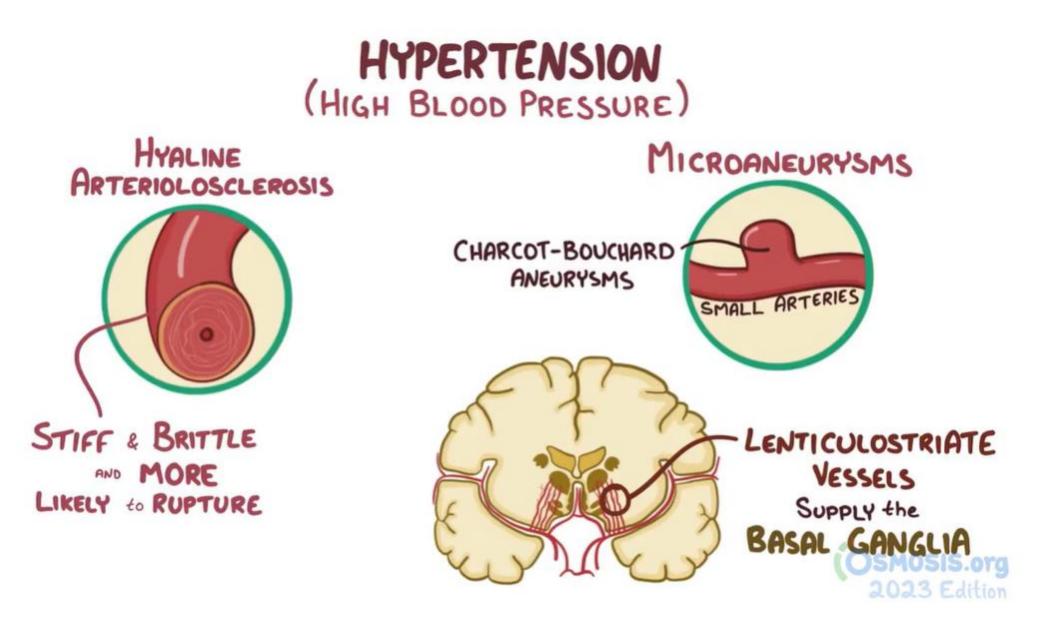
#### **Other vascular lesions in HTN:**

- Atherosclerosis in larger arteries
- Arteriolosclerosis in vessels  $\leq 150 \ \mu m \rightarrow$  lacunar infarcts very tiny small vessels
- Minute aneurysms (Charcot-Bouchard microaneurysms) form in vessels (< 300 µm in diameter)</li>
- Rupture of the small-caliber penetrating vessels  $\rightarrow$  **Slit-like hemorrhage** (slit-like cavity after resorption)

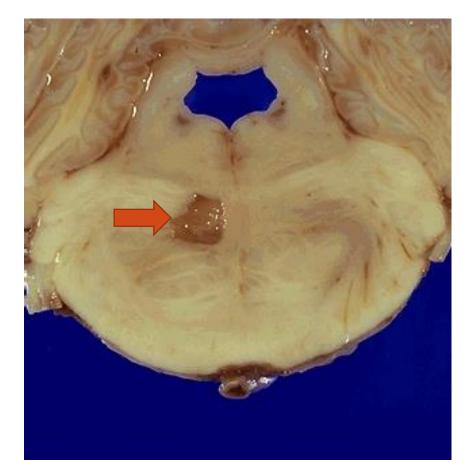








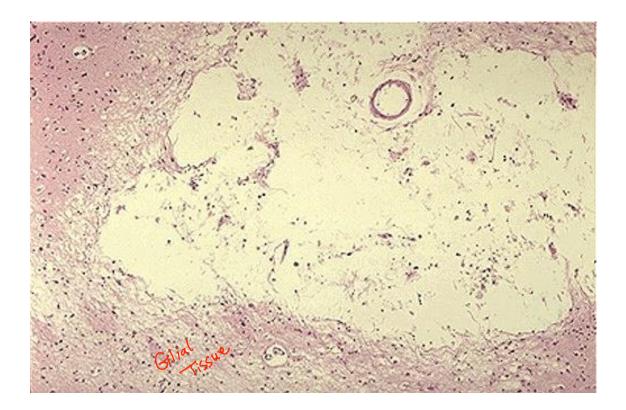




The arteriolar sclerosis that results from chronic hypertension leads to small **lacunar infarcts, or "lacunes".** <sup>Cyst Like space</sup> A remote, small lacunar infarct is seen here in the pons "arrow" Such lesions are most common in basal ganglia, deep white matter, and brain stem.

Asymptomatic or severe neurologic impairment





This is the microscopic appearance of a **lacunar infarct**.

Note that it is a cystic space from the resolved liquefactive necrosis.



### ACUTE HYPERTENSIVE ENCEPHALOPATHY

- A high pressure inside blood vessels
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  A high pressure inside blood vessels
  - Acute hypertensive encephalopathy most often is associated with sudden sustained increases in diastolic blood pressure >130 mm Hg.
  - It is characterized by <u>increased intracranial pressure</u> and global cerebral dysfunction.
  - Headaches, confusion, vomiting, convulsions, and sometimes coma.

Treatment: rapid intervention to reduce the blood pressure

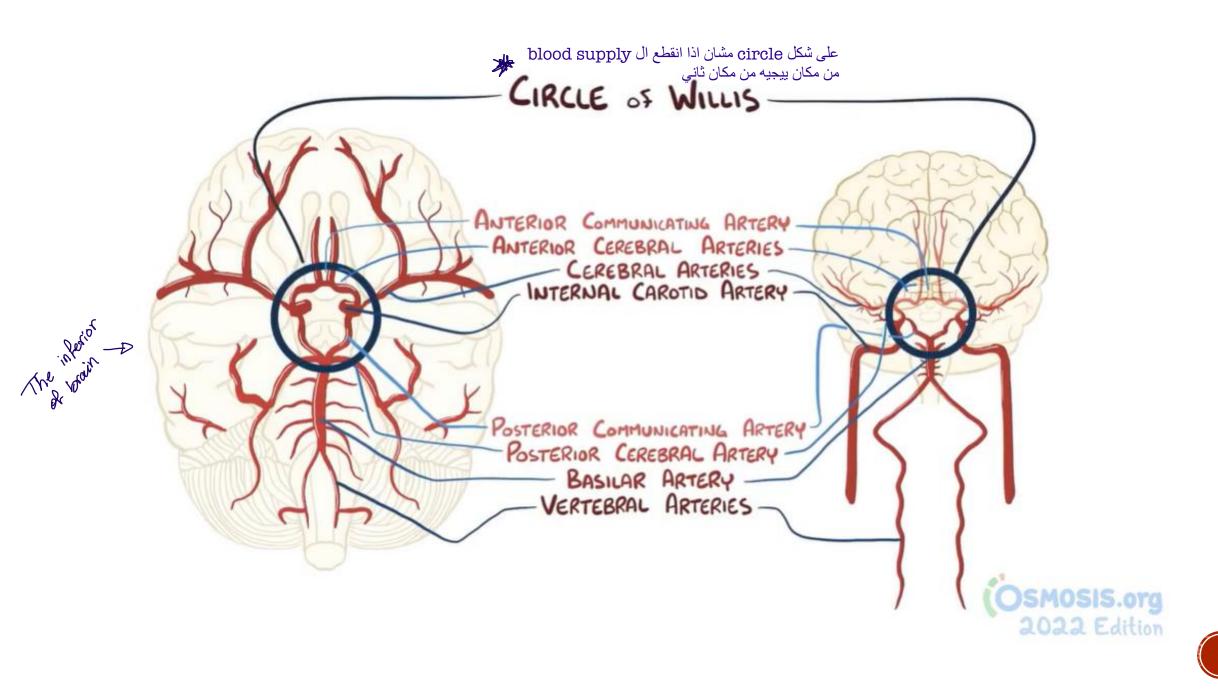
 Postmortem morphology: brain edema +/- herniation. Petechial and fibrinoid necrosis of arterioles in gray and white matter

treatment: بسرعة ننزل blood pressure



# HYPOXIA, ISCHEMIA, AND INFARCTION





### HYPOXIA, ISCHEMIA, AND INFARCTION

- The brain is a highly oxygen-dependent tissue
- Receives 15% of cardiac output and is responsible for 20% of total body oxygen consumption.
- Cerebral blood flow remains stable over a wide range of blood pressure and intracranial pressure
- The brain may be deprived of oxygen by two general mechanisms:
- Functional hypoxia: (e.g., severe anemia, carbon monoxide poisoning)
- Ischemia: either transient or permanent, due to tissue <u>hypoperfusion</u>
  - (e.g. hypotension, vascular obstruction)



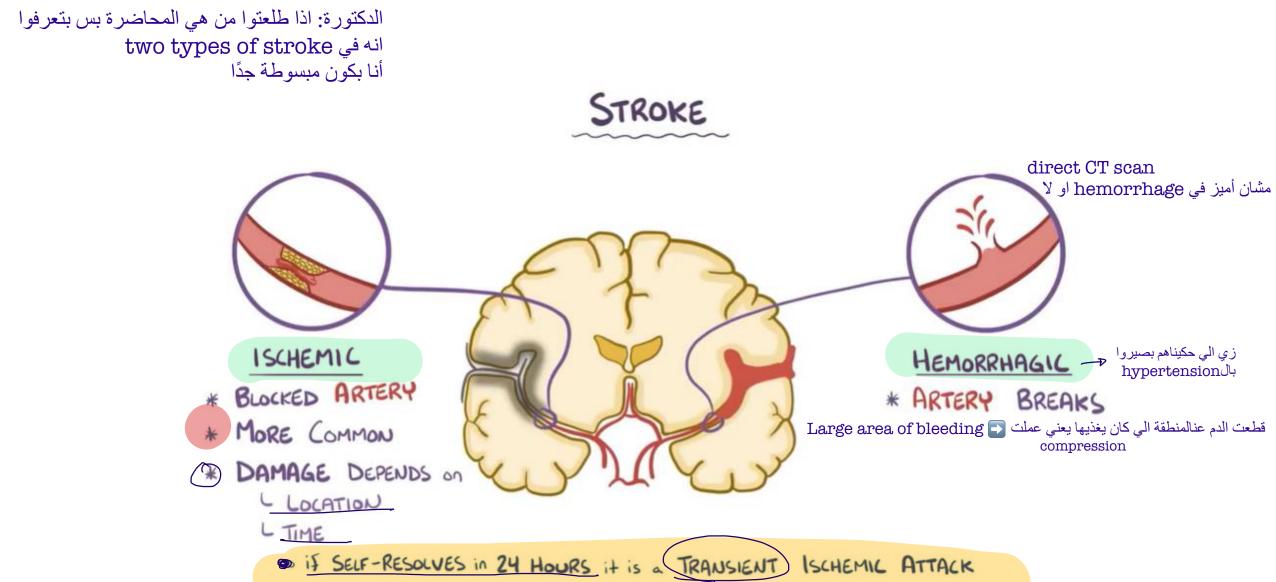
#### HYPOXIA, ISCHEMIA, AND INFARCTION

•  $\downarrow$  BP  $\leq$  50 mm.Hg is critical  $\rightarrow$  Hypoxia & ischemia





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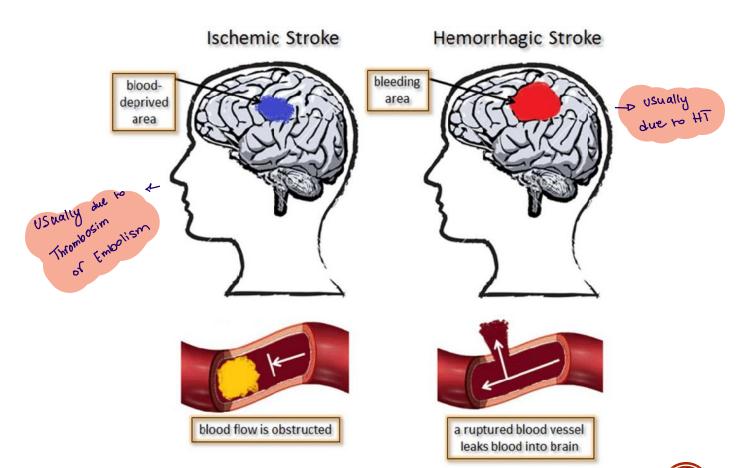


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## STROKE

#### STROKE:

The clinical term of acute neurological dysfunction occurring as a result of hemorrhagic or obstructive vascular lesions, causing irreversible damage or death.



### TYPES OF ISCHEMIC STROKE

Global Cerebral Ischemia

- ✓ Due to <u>generalized</u> decrease in cerebral blood flow
- Causes: severe hypotension, cardiac arrest, and shock
- ✓ Symptoms vary from transient mild confusion to irreversible damage



- Focal brain liquefactive necrosis due to complete and prolonged ischemia
- Causes: thrombosis or embolism (Infarction)



### GLOBAL CEREBRAL ISCHEMIA

• neurons die before glial cells

Neurons are much more sensitive to hypoxia than are glial cells.

- \* Selective Vulnerability of neurons in certain locations:
- Pyramidal cells of hippocampus
- Durkinje cells of the cerebellum
  - 3 Cortical pyramidal neurons

very sensetive to hypoxia generalized ischemia اذا صار هم اول شي راح يصير فيهم

 In severe global cerebral ischemia, widespread neuronal death occurs irrespective of regional vulnerability.



#### GLOBAL CEREBRAL ISCHEMIA MORPHOLOGY

- The brain is swollen, with wide gyri and narrowed sulci.
- The cut surface shows poor demarcation between gray matter and white matter

#### **Microscopic changes:**

**Acute:** 12-24 hrs: RED NEURONS >> Infiltration by neutrophils

Subacute changes: 24 hrs – 2 weeks>> tissue necrosis, influx of macrophages, vascular proliferation & gliosis

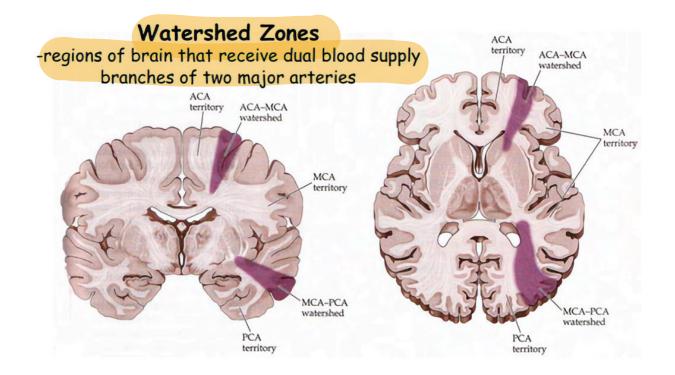
**Repair:** after 2 weeks>>removal of necrotic tissue and gliosis



#### GLOBAL CEREBRAL ISCHEMIA MORPHOLOGY

## Border zone ("watershed") infarcts:

- Regions of brain at the most distal reaches of arterial blood supply, border zones between arterial territories
- The border zone between the <u>anterior and the middle</u> <u>cerebral artery distributions</u> <u>is at greatest risk</u>.





### FOCAL CEREBRAL ISCHEMIA

- Cerebral arterial occlusion leads first to focal ischemia and then to infarction in the distribution of the compromised vessel.
- The size, location, and shape of the infarct and the extent of tissue damage that results may be modified by collateral blood flow.

Infarcts can be divided into two broad groups:

 Non-hemorrhagic infarcts result from acute vascular occlusions and may evolve into hemorrhagic infarcts when there is reperfusion of ischemic tissue, either through collaterals or after dissolution of emboli.



## FOCAL CEREBRAL ISCHEMIA

Embolic occlusion: hemorrhagic/red

- Source: heart or atherosclerosis in carotid arteries
- Middle Cerebral artery most affected

Thrombotic occlusion, mainly due to atherosclerosis : Ischemic/pale

Carotid bifurcation

- Origin of middle cerebral artery
- Basilar artery at either end



#### FOCAL CEREBRAL ISCHEMIA MORPHOLOGY

- No gross change before 48 hrs
- Soft swollen pale or hemorrhagic wedge-shaped infarct involving grey & white matter.
- Red infarcts: surrounding hemorrhage due to reperfusion of damaged vessels and tissue

After 10 days-3 weeks : liquefaction - necrosis

Cavity formation within 1- 6 months

Microscopic: Very similar to global ischemia but more regional.



#### STROKE CLINICAL FEATURES

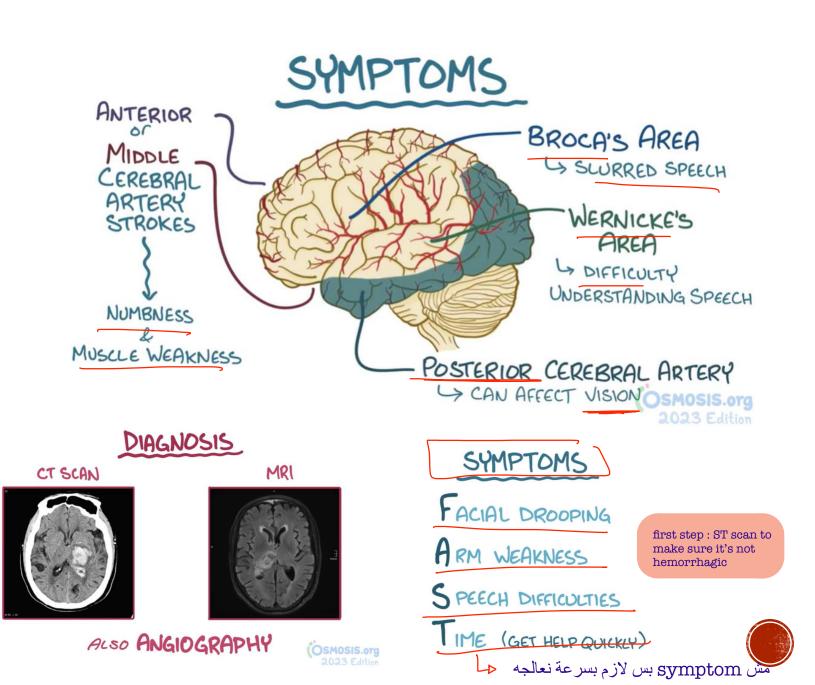
**Clinical picture**: linked to site of infarction

**Contralateral hemiparesis** 

Loss of sensation

Visual field abnormalities

Aphasia ..... etc





This is an intermediate to remote infarct in the distribution of the middle cerebral artery.





A thrombosis of the internal carotid artery is seen here above the arrowhead.

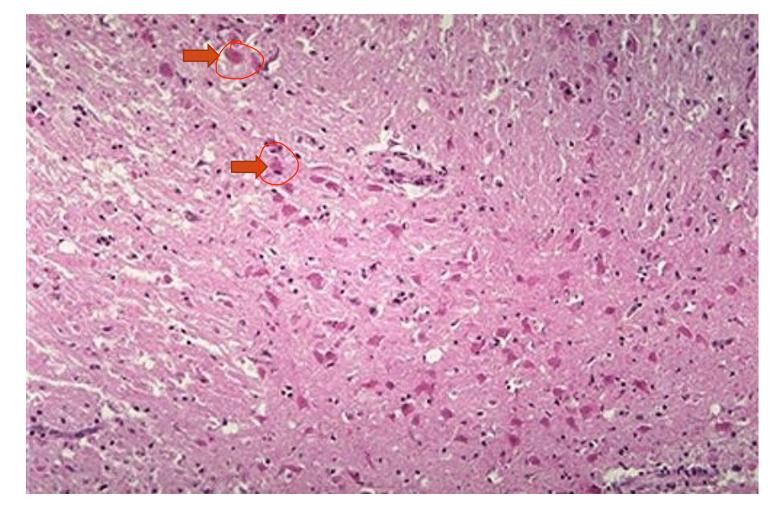




This subacute (intermediate, partially liquefied) infarct of the frontal lobe shows liquefactive necrosis with formation of cystic spaces as time passes and the process of resolution begins.



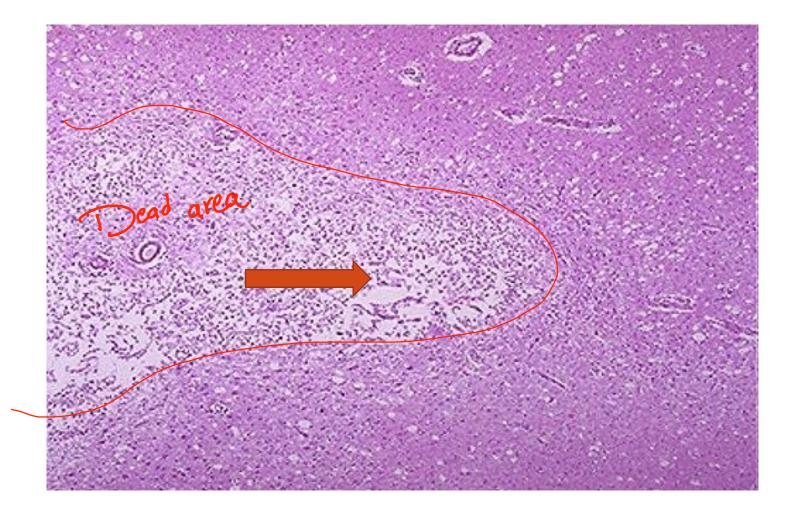
#### global ischemia



The neurons are the most sensitive cells to anoxic injury. Seen here are **red neurons** which are dying as a result of hypoxia.

One of the most sensitive areas in the brain to hypoxic injury is the hippocampus, as seen below.





Resolution of the liquefactive necrosis by an influx of blood monocytes to become tissue macrophages in a cerebral infarction over weeks leads to the formation of a cystic space.

