Fibrin Glue Injection for Cavernous Sinus Hemostasis Associated

with Cranial Nerve Deficit: A Case Report.

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Abstract:

Fibrin glue injection has been used to control intraoperative cavernous sinus (CS) venous bleeding.

There have been no reported complications related to this maneuver. We present a case where a

patient developed a sensory trigeminal nerve deficit after injection of fibrin glue into the posterior CS

during resection of a petrosal meningioma. We believe that this deficit was due to the compression

of the trigeminal ganglion similar to balloon compression procedures. Although fibrin glue injection

may achieve satisfactory cavernous sinus homeostasis, the volume and rate of injection should be

kept in mind to avoid a compressive lesion on traversing cranial nerves and surrounding structures,

or retrograde filling of the venous tributaries.

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