

# Traumatic **BRAIN INJURY**

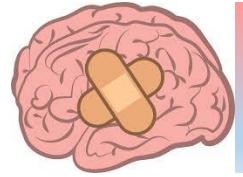
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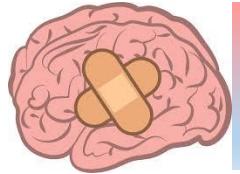
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# OUTLINES

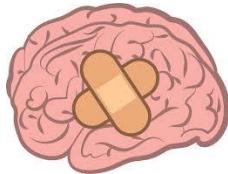
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# DEFINITION OF TBI

Non-degenerative, non-congenital insult to the brain from an external mechanical force, possibly leading to temporary or permanent impairment of cognitive, physical and psychosocial functions, with an associated diminished or altered state of consciousness

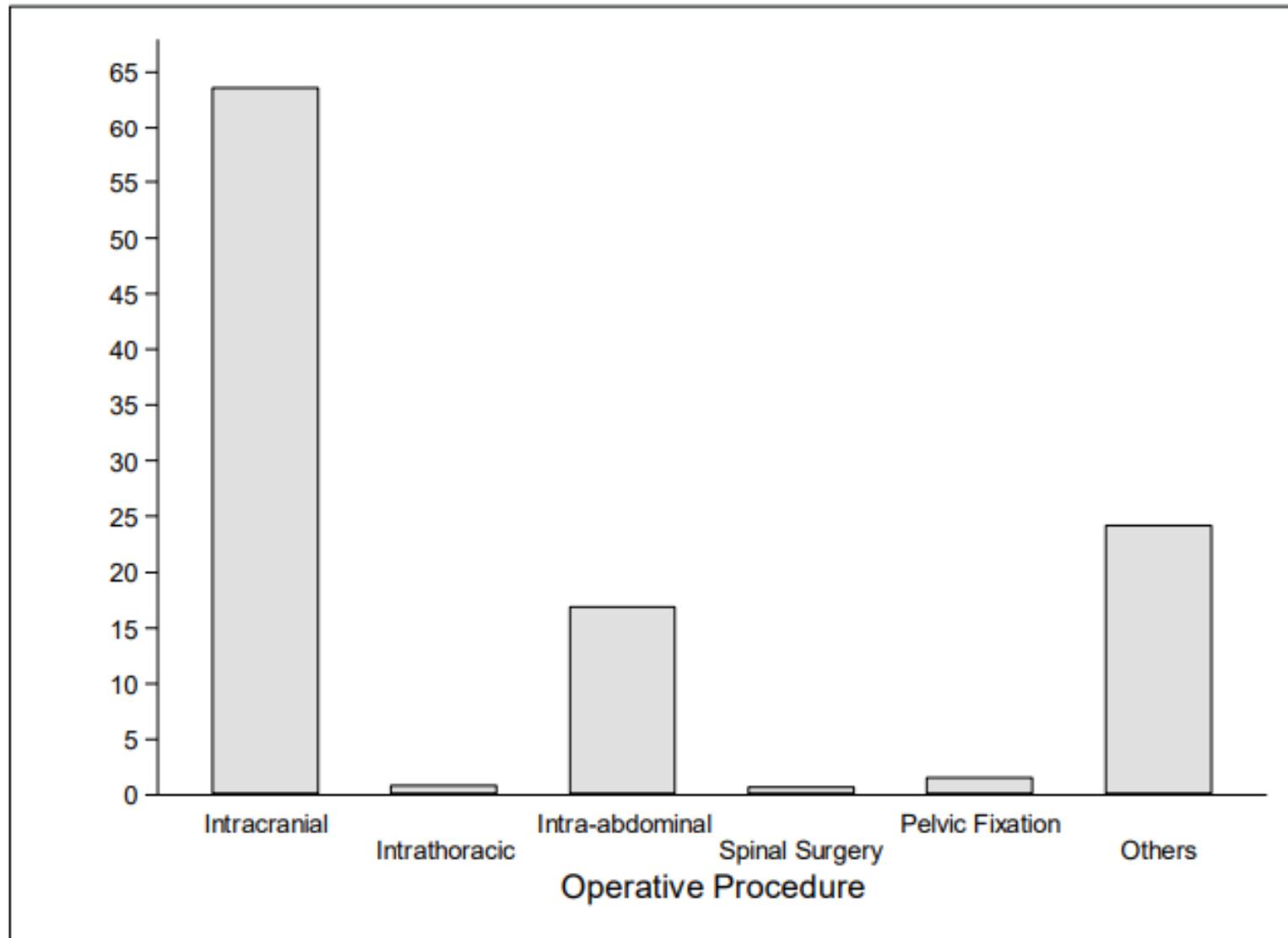
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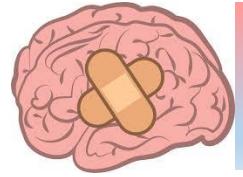


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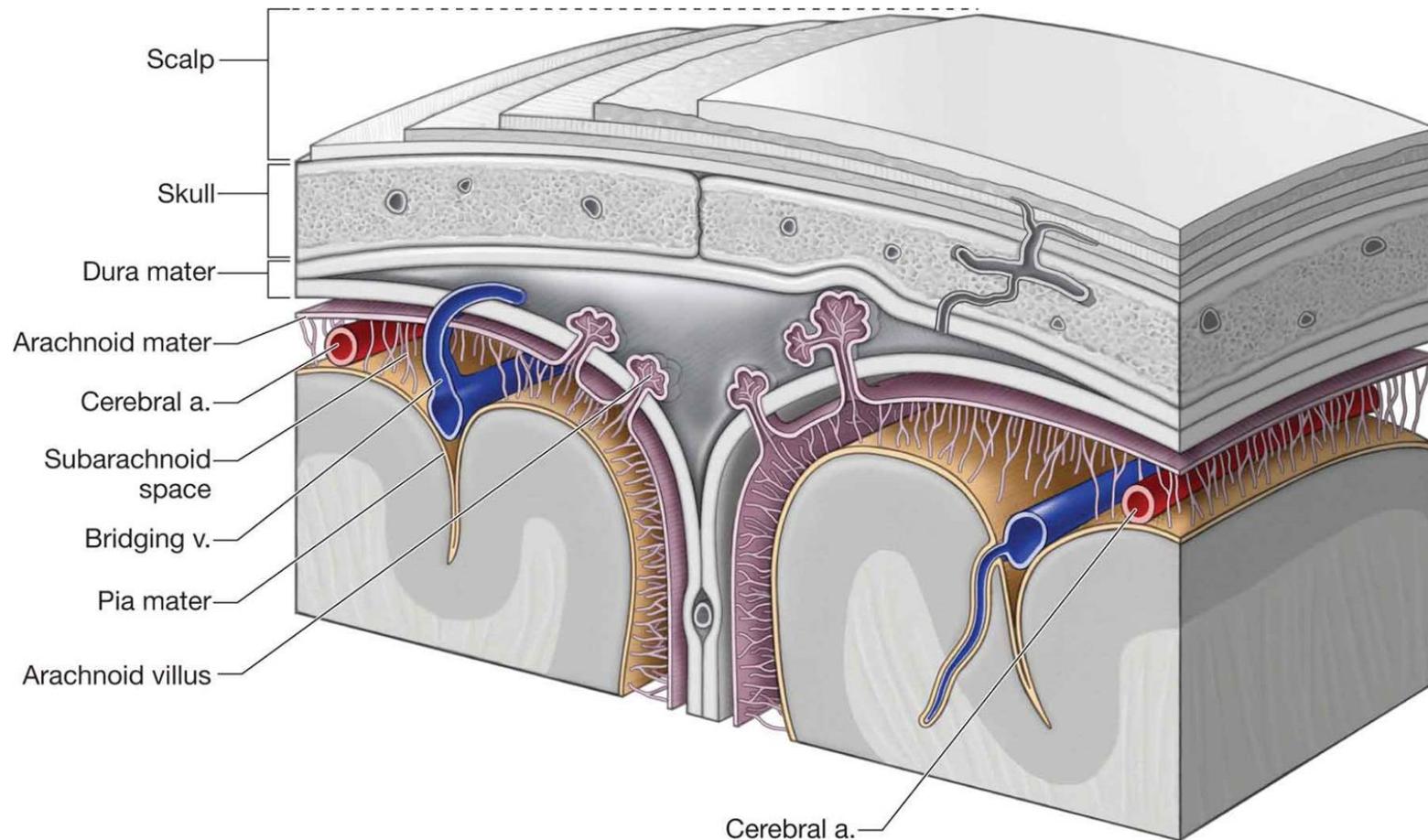
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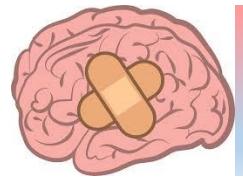
Figure 3.3. Operative Procedure for Major Trauma Cases



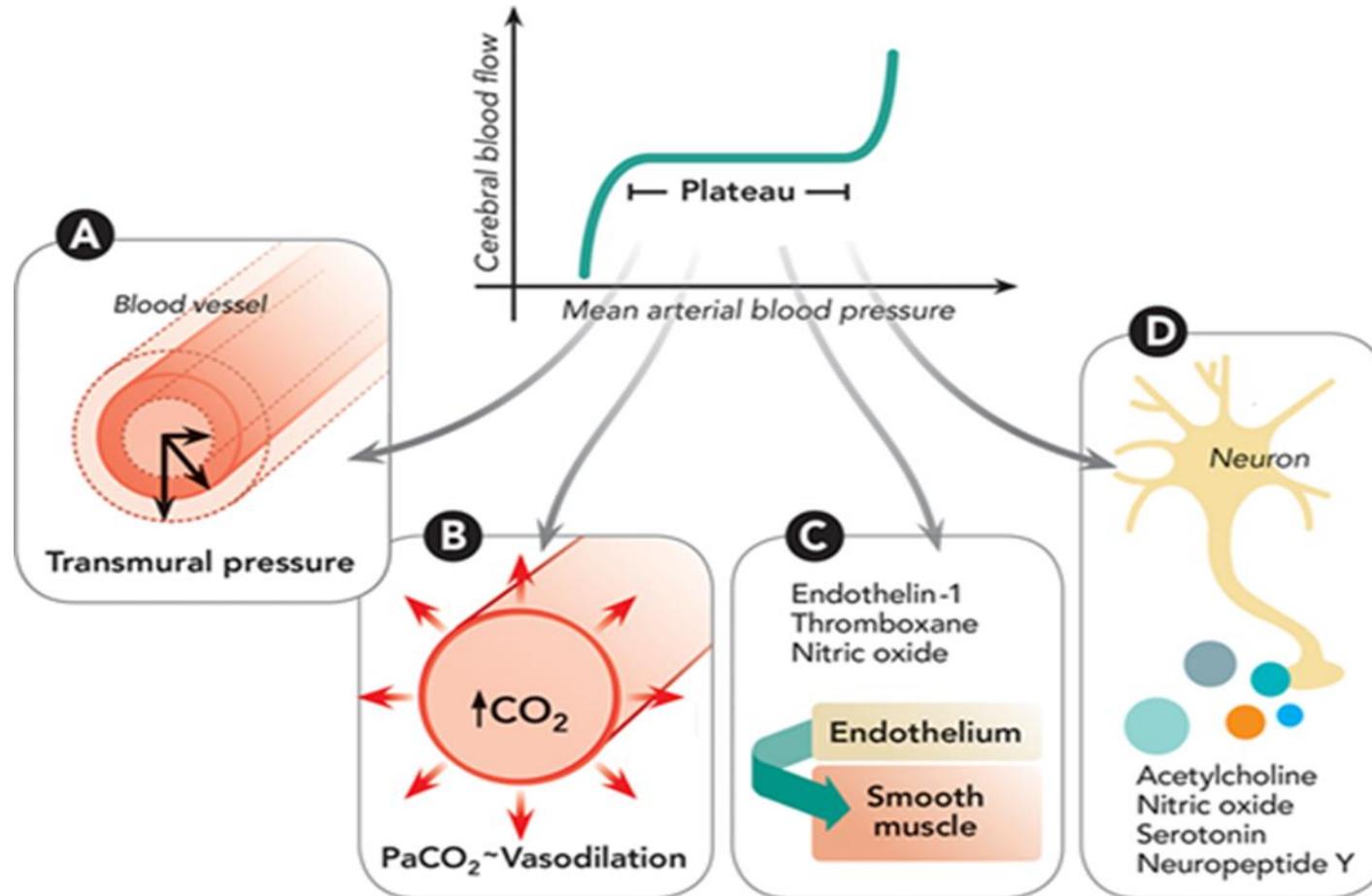


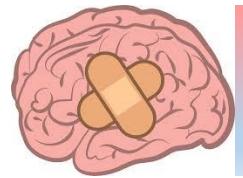
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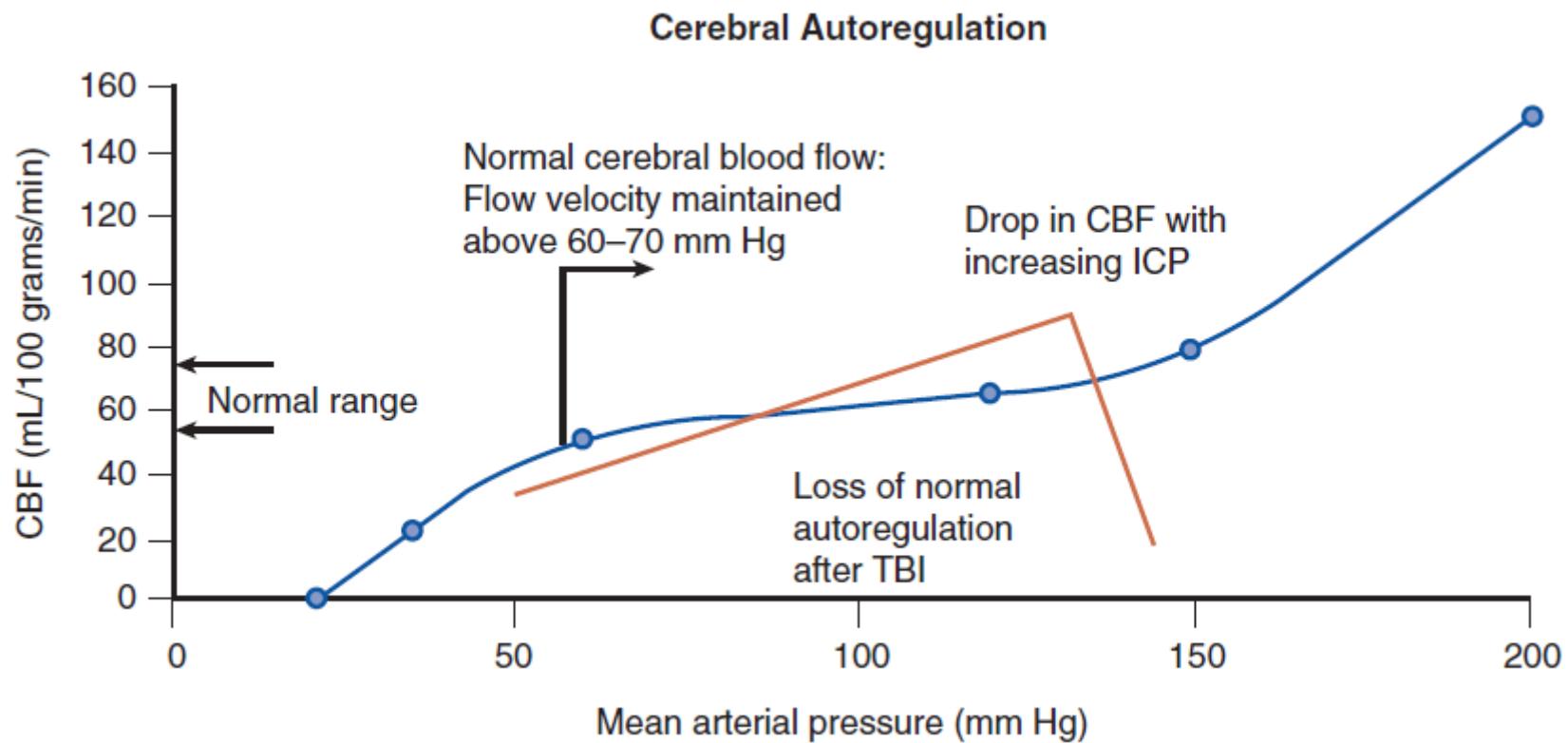


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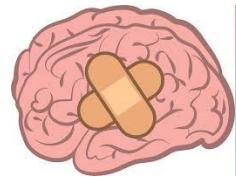




# PHYSIOLOGY



$$\text{CPP} = \text{MAP} - \text{ICP}$$



# PATHOPHYSIOLOGY

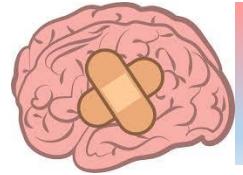
$$\text{MAP} - \text{ICP} = \text{CPP}$$

Normal	90	10	80
Cushing's Response	100	20	80
Hypotension	50	20	30

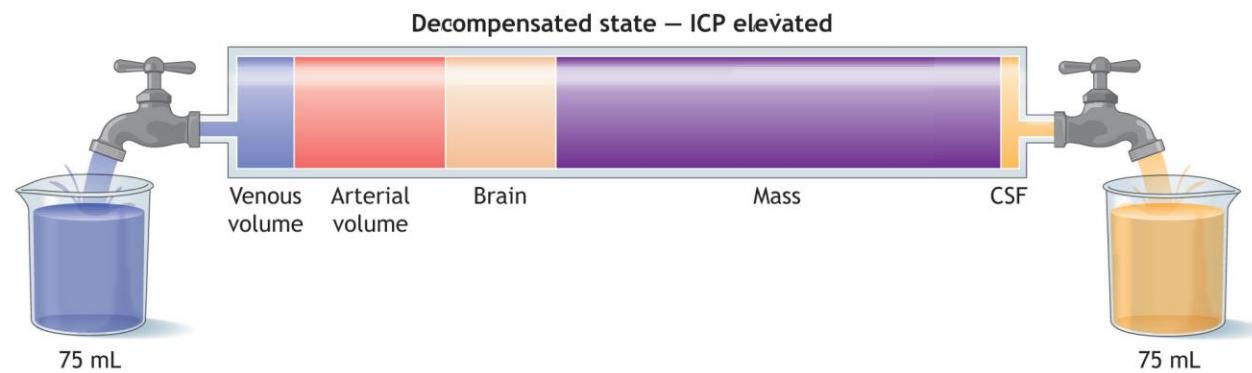
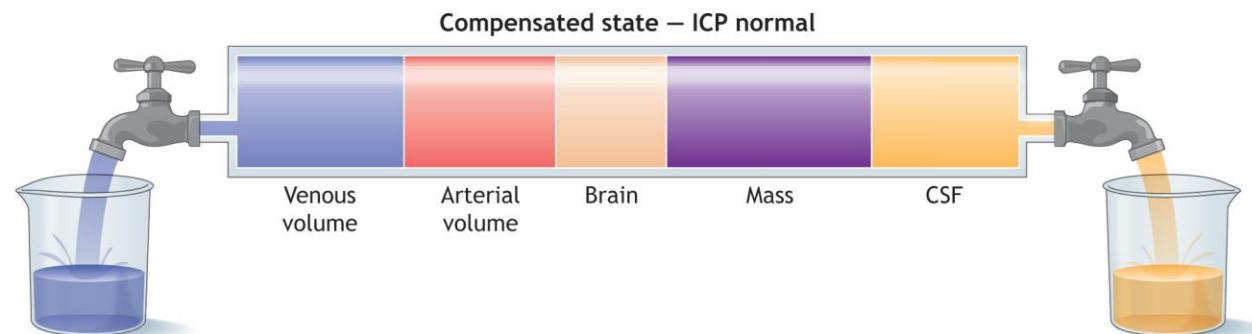
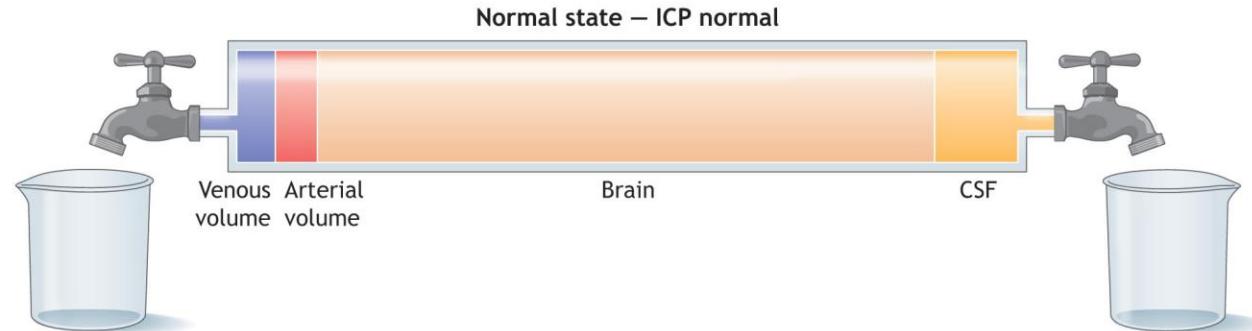
10 mm Hg	=	Normal
>20 mm Hg	=	Abnormal
>40 mm Hg	=	Severe

**TABLE 257-2** Intracranial Pressure by Age Group

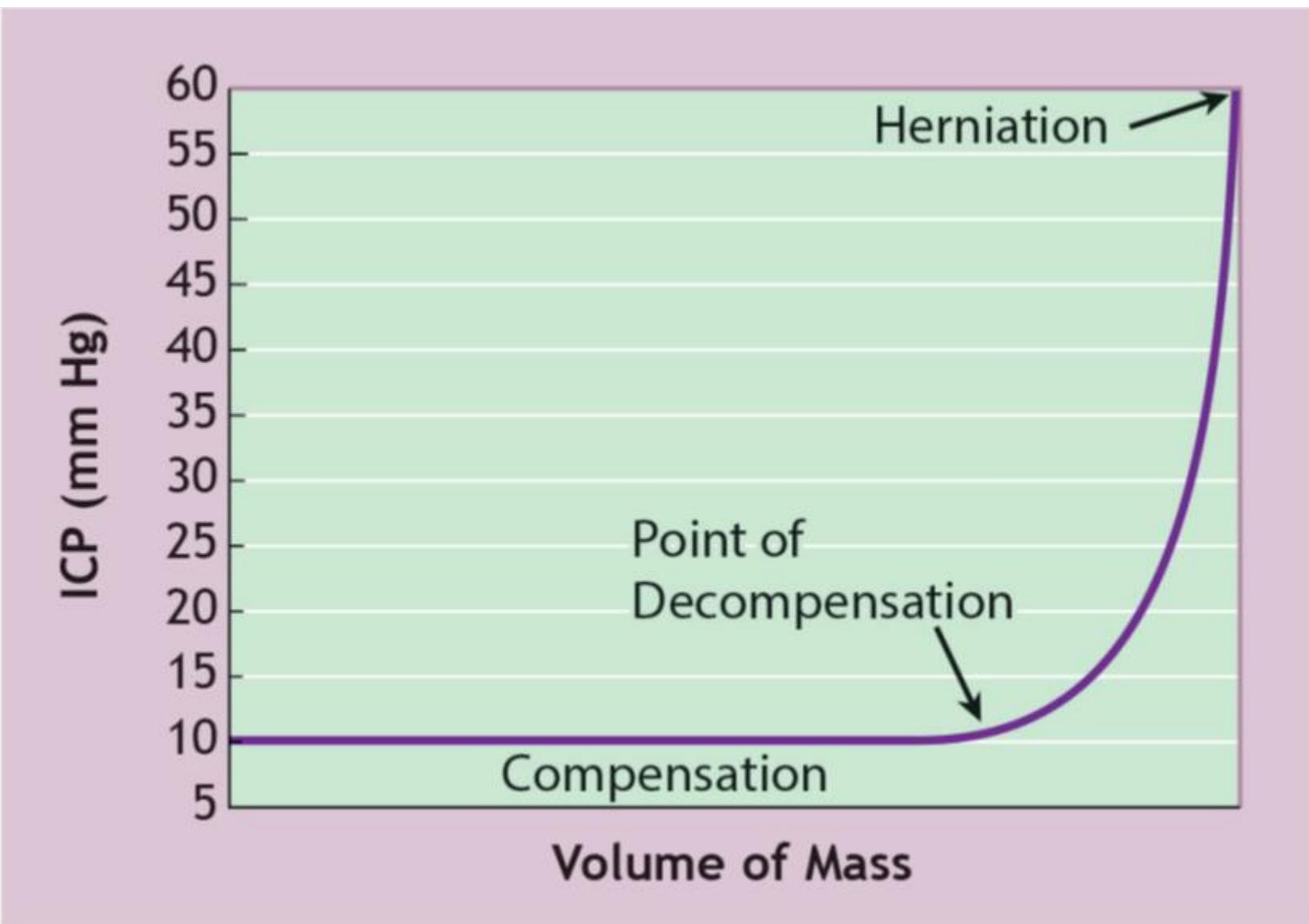
Age Group	Intracranial Pressure (mm Hg)
Adults	<10–15
Young children	3–7
Infants	1.5–6.0

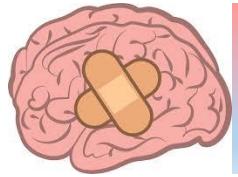


# MONROE-KELLIE DOCTRINE



# Volume-Pressure curve





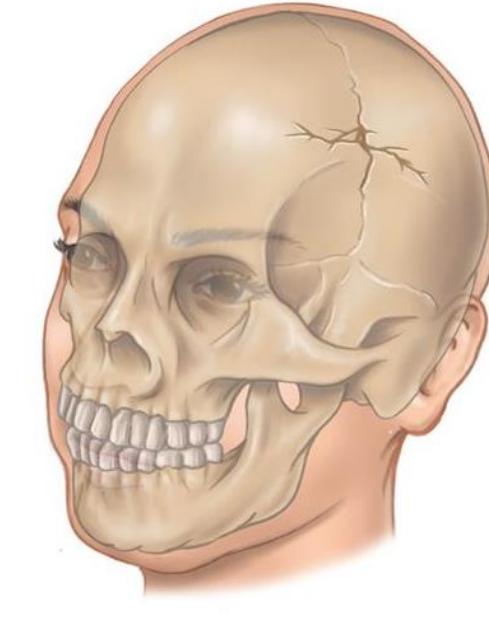
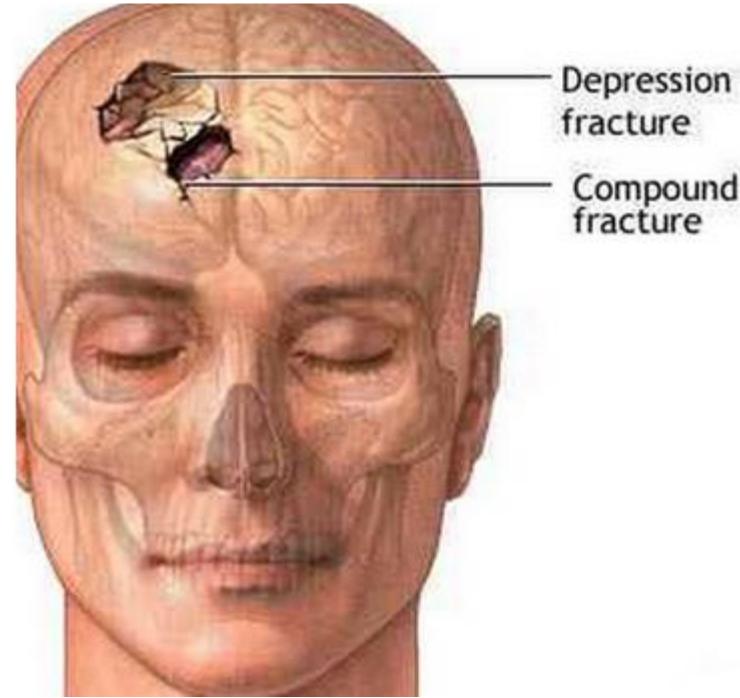
# CLASSIFICATIONS OF HEAD INJURY

## GLASGOW COMA SCALE ([glasgowcomascale.org](http://glasgowcomascale.org))

ORIGINAL SCALE	REVISED SCALE	SCORE
<b><u>EYE OPENING (E)</u></b>	<b><u>EYE OPENING (E)</u></b>	
Spontaneous	Spontaneous	4
To speech	To speech	3
To pain	To pain	2
None	None	1
	Non-testable	NT
<b><u>VERBAL RESPONSE (V)</u></b>	<b><u>VERBAL RESPONSE (V)</u></b>	
Oriented	Oriented	5
Confused	Confused	4
Inappropriate words	Inappropriate words	3
Incomprehensible sounds	Incomprehensible sounds	2
None	None	1
	Non-testable	NT
<b><u>BEST MOTOR RESPONSE (M)</u></b>	<b><u>BEST MOTOR RESPONSE (M)</u></b>	
Obeys commands	Obeys commands	6
Localizes pain	Localizes pain	5
Flexion withdrawal to pain	Flexion withdrawal to pain	4
Abnormal flexion (decorticate)	Abnormal flexion (decorticate)	3
Extension (decerebrate)	Extension (decerebrate)	2
None (flaccid)	None (flaccid)	1
	Non-testable	NT

## Skull fracture

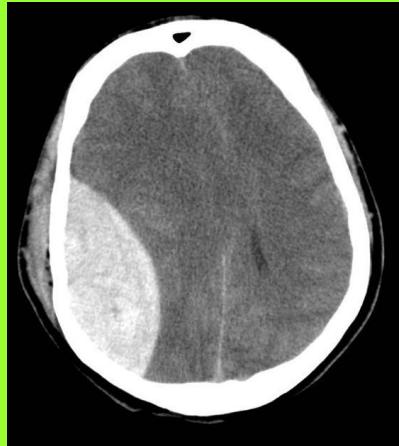
- Location: vault vs basilar
- Pattern: linear, depressed, comminuted
- Open vs closed



# Intracranial lesions

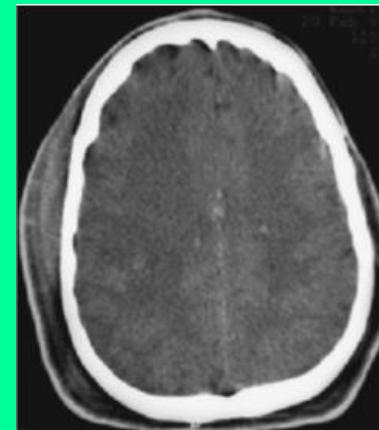
## Focal

- Epidural
- Subdural
- Intracerebral

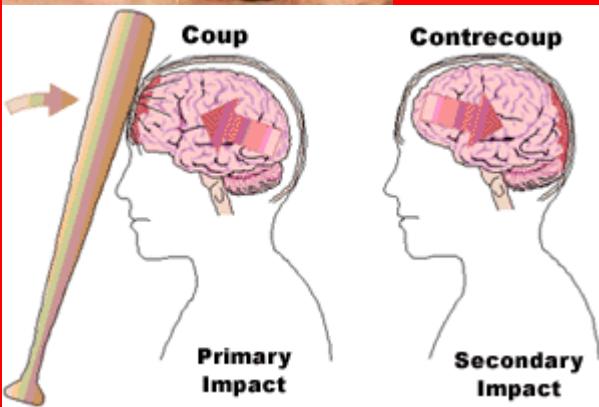


## Diffuse

- Concussion
- Multiple contusions
- Hypoxic/ischemic injury
- Axonal injury



## Blunt trauma



## Penetrating trauma



# Pathophysiology

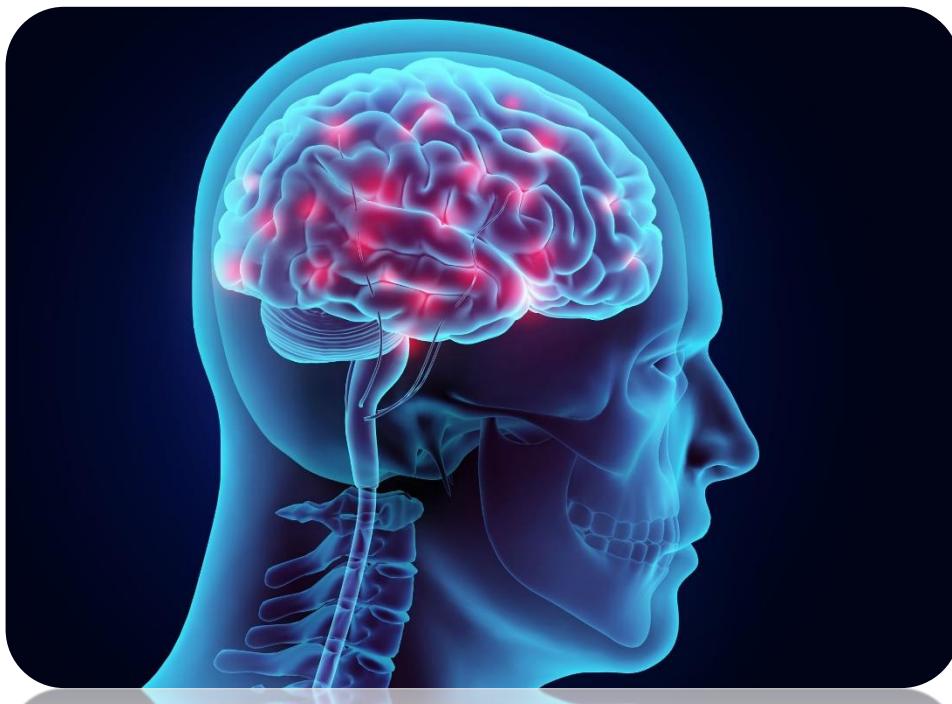
## Primary

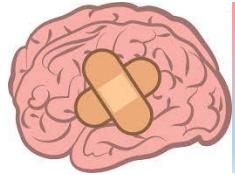
- initial insult due to mechanical forces that produce high levels of direct damage and strain to the brain parenchyma
  - Contusions
  - Hematoma (subdural, epidural, intraparenchymal, intraventricular, subarachnoid)
  - Diffuse axonal injury (stress or damage to axons)

## Secondary

- Results by **secondary neurotoxic cascade** due to secondary insults (hypotension, hypoxemia, hyperglycemia) resulting in
  - Cerebral edema
  - Cerebral herniation

# APPROACH TO TBI MANAGEMENT

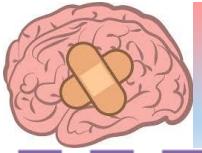




# PREHOSPITAL CARE

- ABCDE
  - Minimize secondary brain injury
  - Administer oxygen
  - C-spine protection
  - Maintain normal blood pressure
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- Initial clinical findings and physical exam as reported by EMS are an essential component of triaging and managing TBI





# TRIAGE

## STEP 1

### Measure vital signs and level of consciousness

- Airway obstruction
- GCS <13
- RR <10 or >30 breaths/minute
- SBP <90 mmHg
- HR <60 beats/minute or >110 beats/minute
- SpO<sub>2</sub> <90% on room air

NO

YES

**RED ZONE**  
Steps 1 and 2 attempts to identify the most injured patients

## STEP 2

### Assess anatomy of injury

- All penetrating injuries to head, neck, torso and extremities proximal to elbow and knee
- Chest wall instability/deformity (flail chest)
- Two or more proximal long-bone fractures
- Crushed, degloved or mangled or pulseless extremity
- Amputation proximal to wrist and ankle
- Pelvic fractures
- Open or depressed skull fracture
- Paralysis

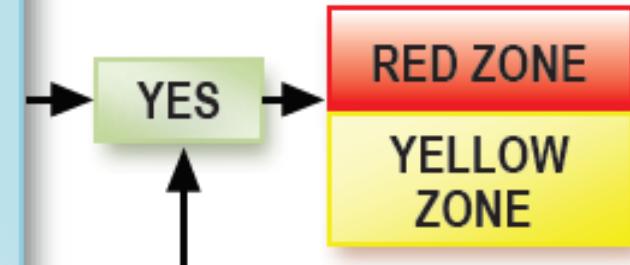
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### STEP 3

#### Assess mechanism of injury and evidence of high-energy impact

- Falls
  - >6 metres (one storey is equal to 3 metres)
- High-risk auto crash
  - Intrusion: >30 cm occupant site or >46 cm any site
  - Ejection (partial or complete) from vehicle
  - Death in same passenger compartment
  - Vehicle telemetry data consistent with high risk of injury
- Auto vs pedestrian/bicyclist
- Thrown, run over, or with significant (>30 km/h) impact
- Motorcycle crash >30 km/h

NO



### STEP 4

#### Assess special patients or system considerations

- Older adults:
  - Risk of injury/death increases with age  $\geq 65$  years
  - SBP <110 mmHg might represent shock after age of 65 years old
  - Low impact mechanisms (e.g. ground level falls) might result in severe injury
- Anticoagulation and bleeding disorders
- Burns
- Pregnancy >20 weeks
- Emergency Medical Staff clinical judgement



**A**

**B**

AIRWAY

BREATHING

- Airway Protection
  - Endotracheal intubation if severe TBI
- Prevent hypoxaemia
- Maintain a PCO<sub>2</sub> of approximately 35 mm Hg.
  - Prolonged hyperventilation with PCO<sub>2</sub> < 25 mm Hg is not recommended
- Maintain cervical in-line immobilization all the time



# C

## CIRCULATION

- Treat primary source of hypotension
- Prevent hypotension:
  - Maintain systolic blood pressure (SBP)
    - $\geq 100$  mmHg for patients 50 to 69 years OR
    - $\geq 110$  mm Hg for patients 15 to 49 years OR  $> 70$  years
- (ATLS 10<sup>th</sup> Edition)
- Ringer's lactate solution or normal saline is recommended
- Hyponatremia is associated with brain edema and should be prevented.

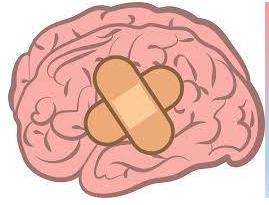
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## DISABILITY

- GCS, pupillary response and neurological deficit
- If emergency intubation is necessary, obtain pre-intubation GCS

UNRESPONSIVE PATIENT WITH	MAY SUGGEST
Single fixed and dilated pupils	Intracranial hematoma with uncal herniation
Bilateral fixed and dilated pupils	Increased ICP with poor brain perfusion Bilateral uncal herniation Drug effect (eg: Atropine) Severe hypoxia
Bilateral pinpoints pupils	Central pontine lesion Opiate exposure

**Don't forget to complete  
your secondary survey**



# DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING

# Canadian CT Head Rule

CT head is only required for minor head injury patients with any one of these findings:

## High Risk (for Neurological Intervention)

1. GCS score < 15 at 2 hrs after injury
2. Suspected open or depressed skull fracture
3. Any sign of basal skull fracture\*
4. Vomiting ≥ 2 episodes
5. Age ≥ 65 years

## Medium Risk (for Brain Injury on CT)

6. Amnesia before impact ≥ 30 min
7. Dangerous mechanism \*\* (pedestrian, occupant ejected, fall from elevation)

### \*Signs of Basal Skull Fracture

- hemotympanum, 'raccoon' eyes, CSF otorrhea/rhinorrhea, Battle's sign

### \*\* Dangerous Mechanism

- pedestrian struck by vehicle
- occupant ejected from motor vehicle
- fall from elevation ≥ 3 feet or 5 stairs

\*Sensitivity 100%, Specificity 50.6%

### Rule Not Applicable If:

- Non-trauma cases
- GCS < 13
- Age < 16 years
- Coumadin or bleeding disorder
- Obvious open skull fracture

## New Orleans Criteria

- Recommend CT after minor TBI if:
- GCS=15 and one of the following
  - Headache
  - Vomiting
  - Age >60 years
  - Drug or alcohol intoxication
  - Deficits in short term memory
  - Seizure
  - Evidence of injury above clavicle
- 100% Sensitive

\*Sensitivity 100%, Specificity 12.7%

\*Source: JAMA. 2005;294(12):1511-1518. doi:10.1001/jama.294.12.1511 on  
Comparison of the Canadian CT Head Rule and the New Orleans Criteria in Patients  
With Minor Head Injury



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# Pediatric Head Trauma CT Decision Guide

Children 2 years and older

**2 YEARS  
&  
OLDER**

- GCS < 15
- Signs of basilar skull fracture
- AMS (agitation, somnolence, slow response, repetitive questions)

NO

- Vomiting
- LOC
- Severe headache
- Severe mechanism of injury
  - Fall > 5 ft
  - MVA w/ejection, rollover, or fatality
  - Bike/ped vs. vehicle w/o helmet
  - Struck by high-impact object

YES  
TO  
ANY

**Intermediate Risk – 0.8%**

**Observation vs. CT  
using shared  
decision-making**

YES TO ANY

CT

**High Risk –  
4.3% risk of ci-TBI\***

NO

CT not indicated,  
**Observe**

**Low Risk – < 0.05%**

Clinical factors used to guide decision-making:

- Multiple vs. isolated factors
- Worsening findings during observation (AMS, headache, vomiting)
- Physician experience
- Parental preference

\*ci-TBI: risk of clinically important TBI needing acute intervention, based on PECARN validated prediction rules

\*Sensitivity 100%, Specificity 62%



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# Pediatric Head Trauma CT Decision Guide

Children younger than 2 years

**UNDER  
2 YEARS**

- GCS < 15
- Palpable skull fracture
- AMS (agitation, somnolence, slow response, repetitive questioning)

NO

- Scalp hematoma (excluding frontal)
- LOC > 5 seconds
- Not acting normally per parent
- Severe mechanism of injury
  - Fall > 3 ft
  - MVA w/ejection, rollover, or fatality
  - Bike/ped vs. vehicle w/o helmet
  - Struck by high-impact object

YES TO ANY

CT

**High Risk –  
4.4% risk of ci-TBI\***

**Intermediate Risk – 0.9%**

**Observation vs.  
CT using shared  
decision-making**

Clinical factors used to guide decision-making:

- Multiple vs. isolated factors
- Worsening findings during observation (AMS, headache, vomiting)
- Physician experience
- Parental preference
- < 3 months old

NO

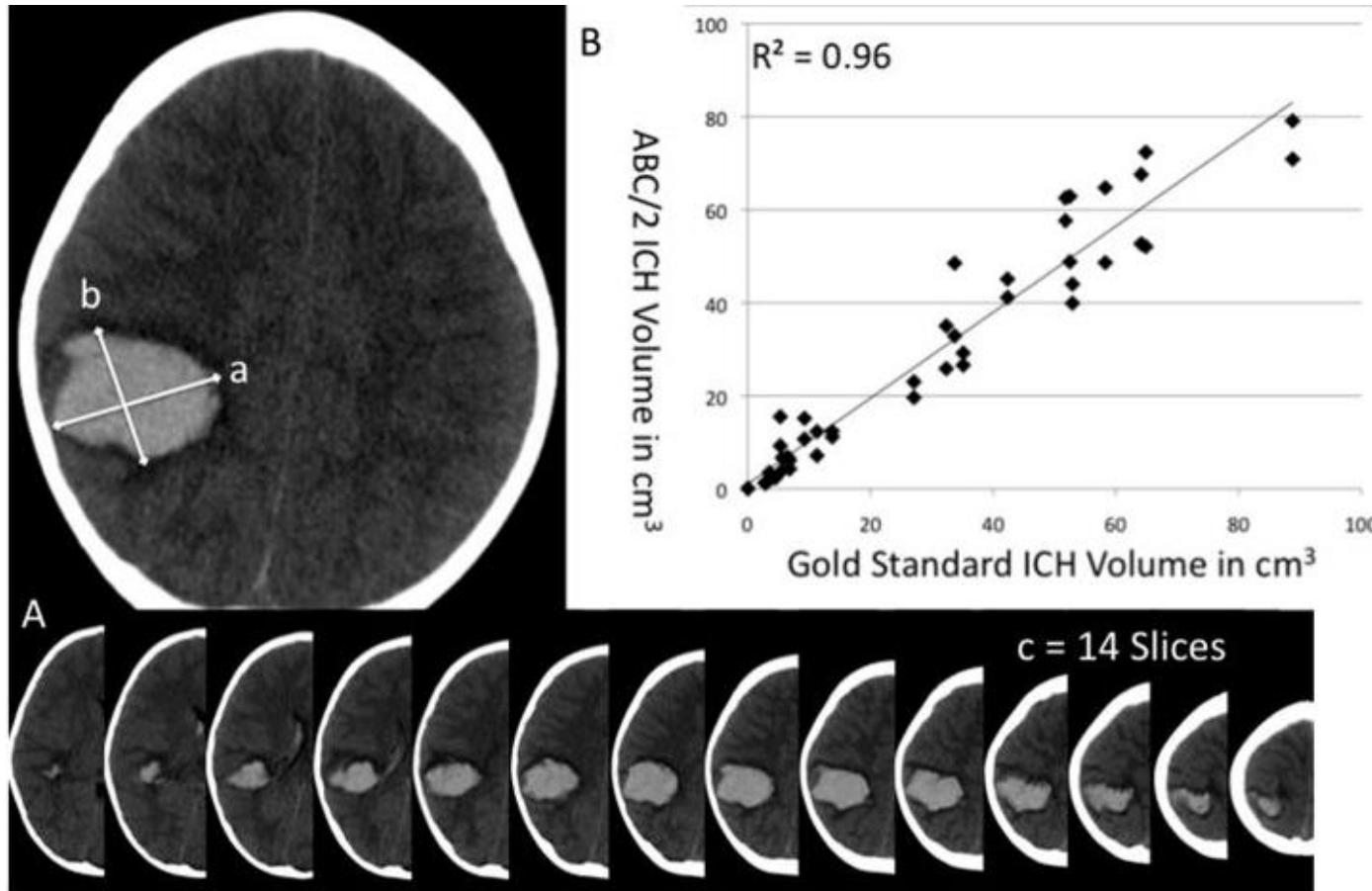
CT not indicated,  
**Observe**

**Low Risk – < 0.02%**

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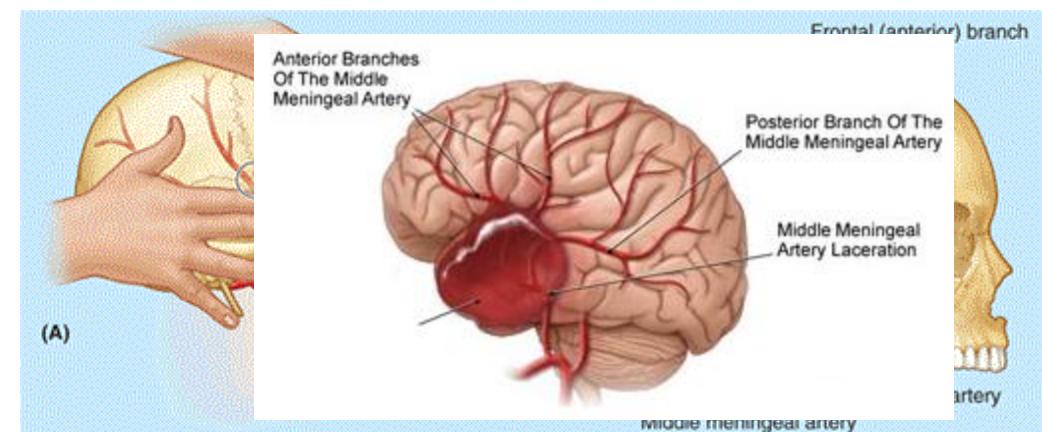
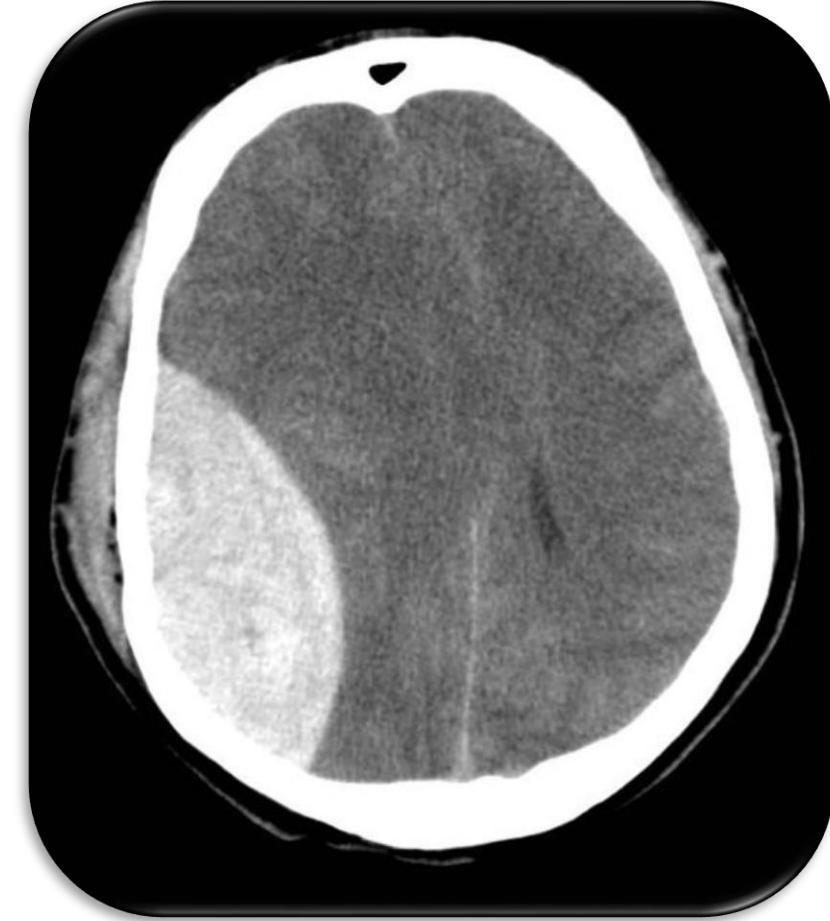
# How to calculate bleed size?



**ABC/2:** A baseline intracerebral haemorrhage volume of >50-60 mL is a poor prognostic marker!

# EPIDURAL HEMATOMA

- Blood in between skull and dura mater
- Classic: middle meningeal artery tear
- Lenticular / biconvex
- Lucid interval
- Can be rapidly fatal
- Early evacuation essential



# SUBDURAL HEMATOMA

- Sudden acceleration-deceleration → tearing of bridging dural veins/ brain laceration
- Venous origin hence collect more slowly
- Susceptible for elderly/ chronic alcoholics/ children < 2years
- \*Rapid surgical evacuation recommended, especially if thickness >10mm or > 5 mm shift of midline

\*Source: UpToDate Neurosurgery.2006;58(3Suppl): S16 on Surgicalmanagement of acute subdural hematomas



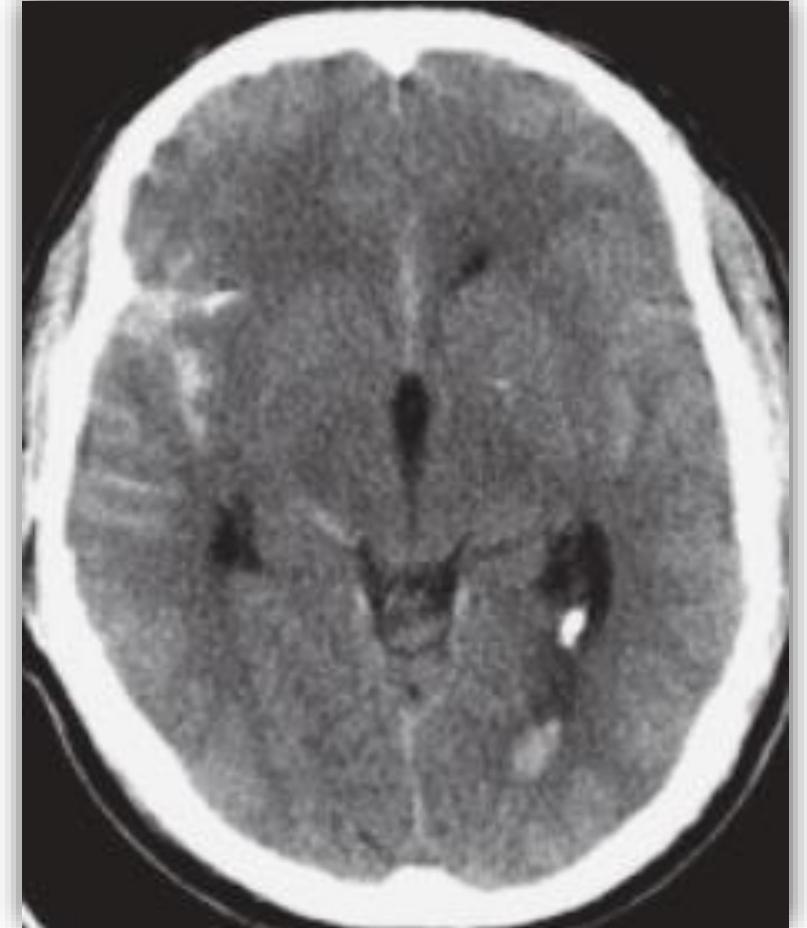
# CEREBRAL CONTUSION/ INTRACEREBRAL HEMATOMA

- Most common: frontal / temporal lobes
- Coup / contracoup injuries
- Most conscious patients: no operation



# SUBARACHNOID HEMORRHAGE

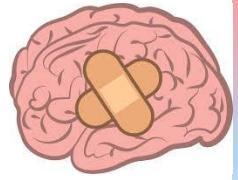
- Disruption of parenchyma and subarachnoid vessels → blood in CSF
- Headache, photophobia, meningeal signs
- Traumatic SAH vs non traumatic has 3x higher mortality risk (42% vs 14%)



# DIFFUSE AXONAL INJURY

- Disruption of axonal fibers in white matter and brainstem
- Range from mild concussion to severe ischemic insult
- Severe DAI, edema can develop rapidly → irreversible neurologic deficits
- CT findings: Normal but classic punctuate hemorrhagic injury along grey-white junction of cerebral cortex and within deep structure of brain



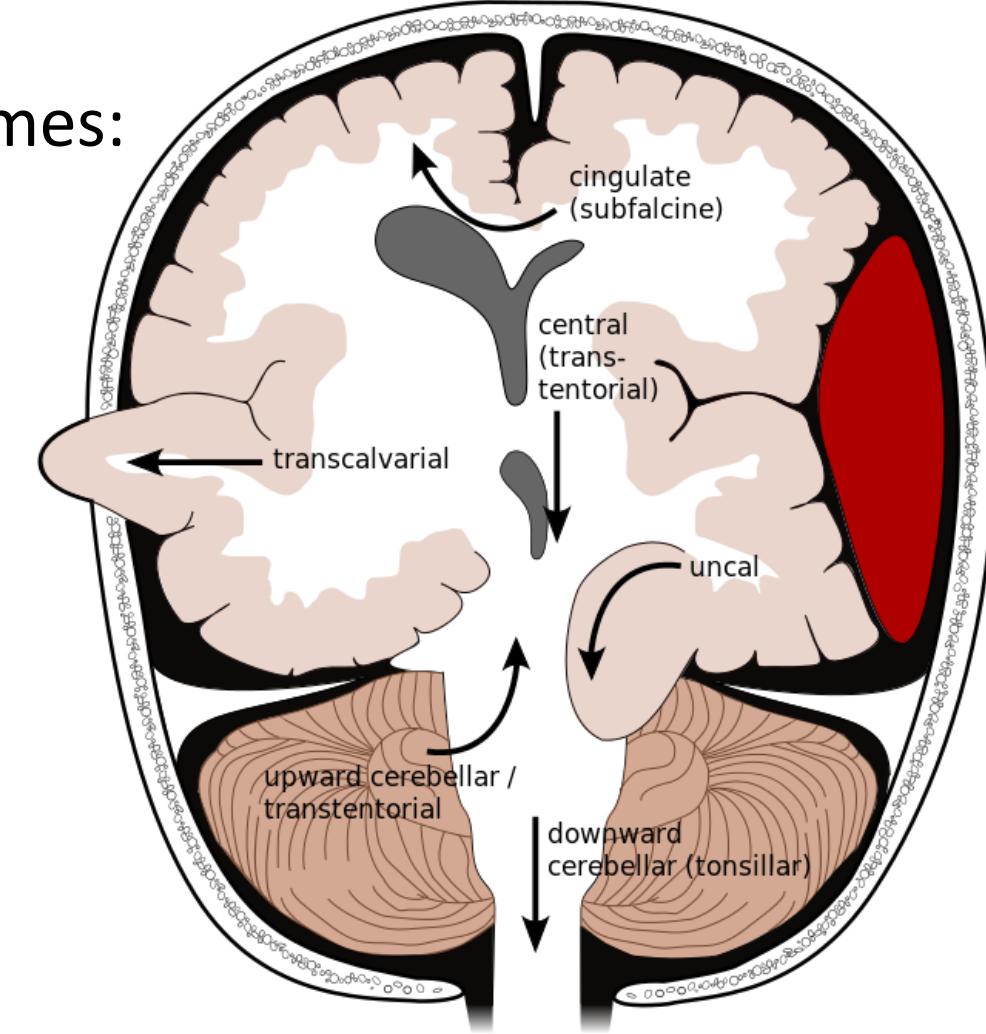


# ACUTE COMPLICATIONS

# BRAIN HERNIATION

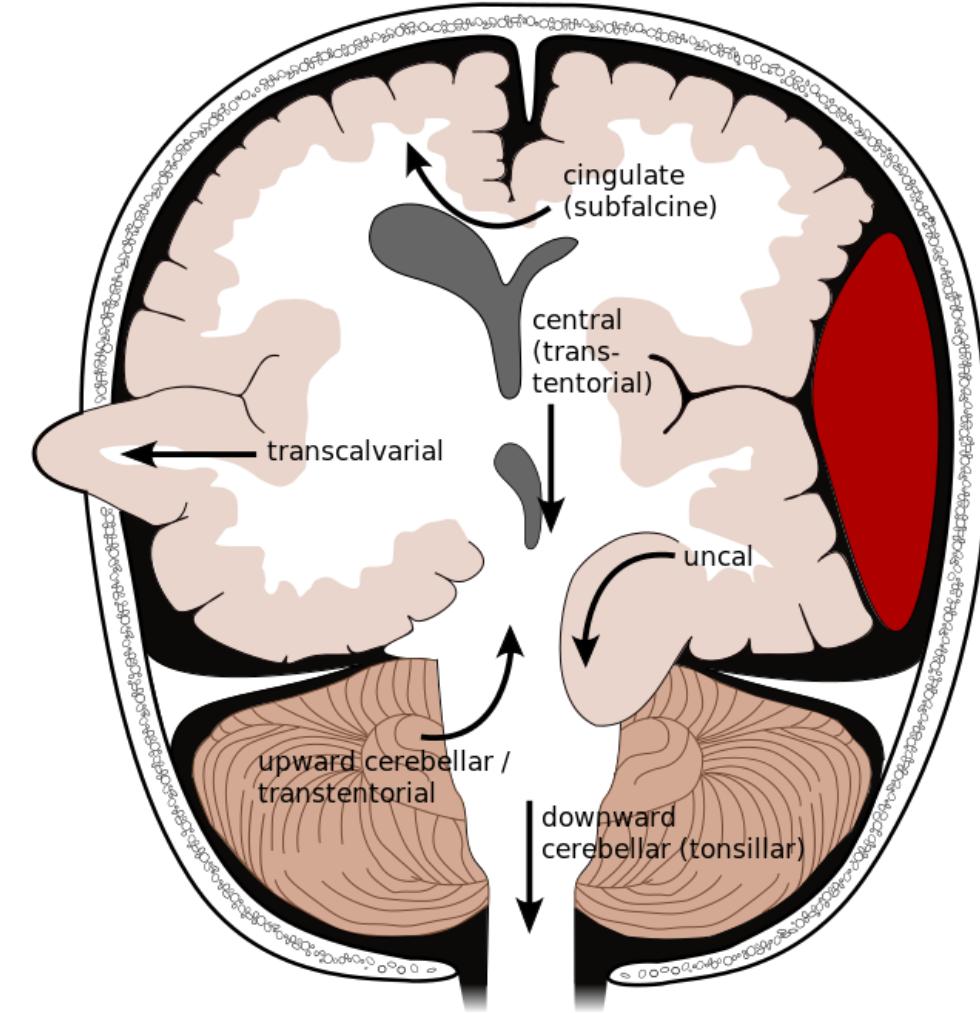
- There are 5 major brain herniation syndromes:

- Uncal transtentorial
- Central transtentorial
- Cerebellotonsillar
- Upward posterior fossa
- Subfalcine



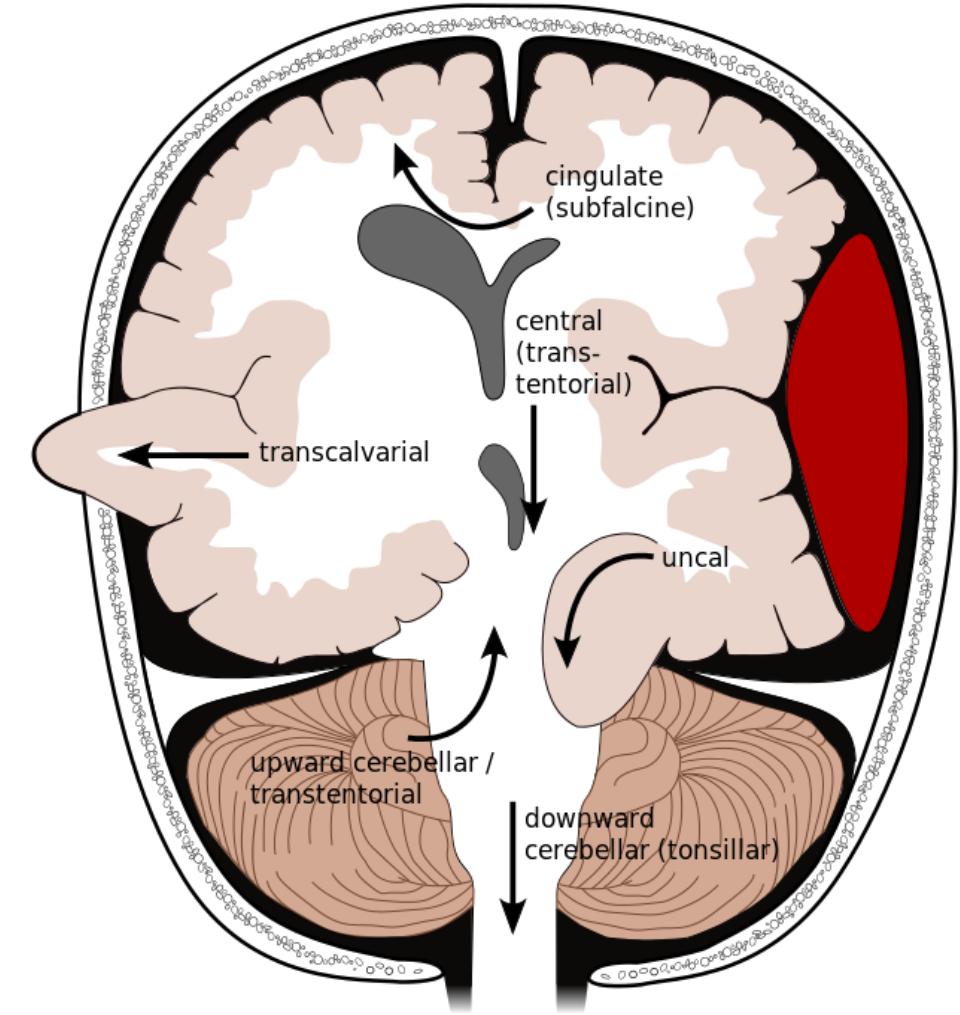
# UNCAL TRANSTENTORIAL

- Uncus of the temporal lobe is displaced inferiorly through the medial edge of the tentorium.
- Due to an expanding lesion in the temporal lobe or lateral middle fossa.
- Cx:Ipsilateral fixed & dilated pupil due to compression of parasympathetic fibers running with the 3<sup>rd</sup> cranial (oculomotor) nerve.
- Compresses the pyramidal tract, results in contralateral motor paralysis.



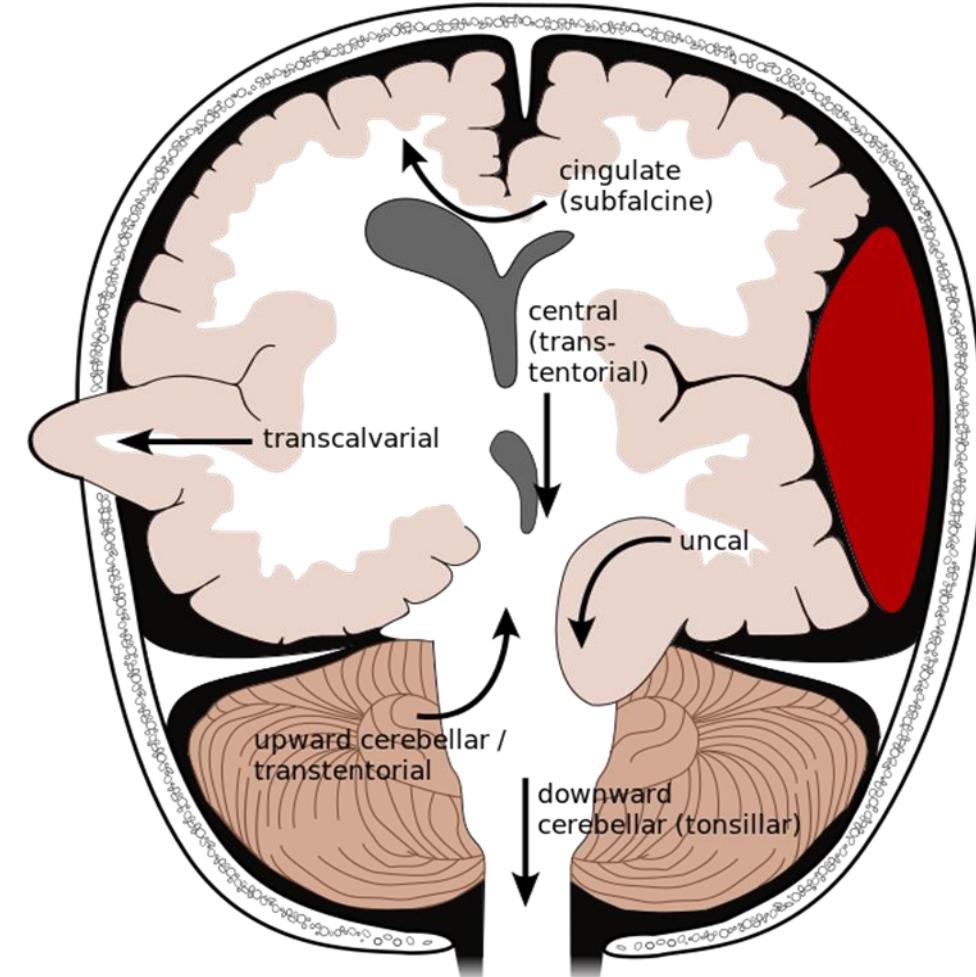
# SUBFALCINE

- Unilateral SOL pushes across the midline under the inferior “free” margin of falx, extending to contralateral side
- Ipsilateral ventricle appears compressed and displaced across midline
- Complications:
  - Obstructive hydrocephalus
  - Secondary ACA infarct



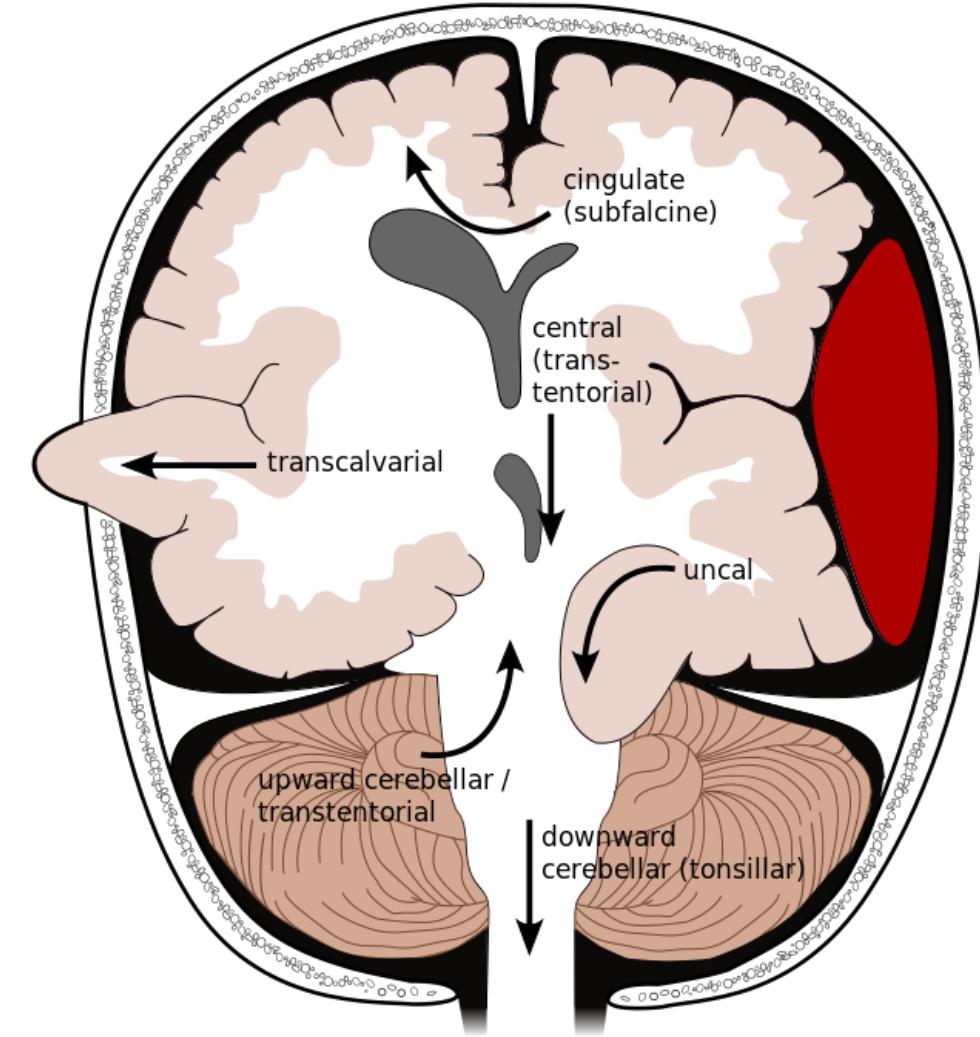
# CENTRAL TRANSTENTORIAL

- Midline lesion or diffuse swelling of cerebral hemisphere results in vertical displacement of the midbrain and diencephalon through tentorial hiatus.
- Most prominent symptoms are bilateral pinpoint pupils, bilateral Babinski's signs, and increased muscle tone.
- Fixed pinpoint pupils follow along with prolonged hyperventilation and decorticate posturing.



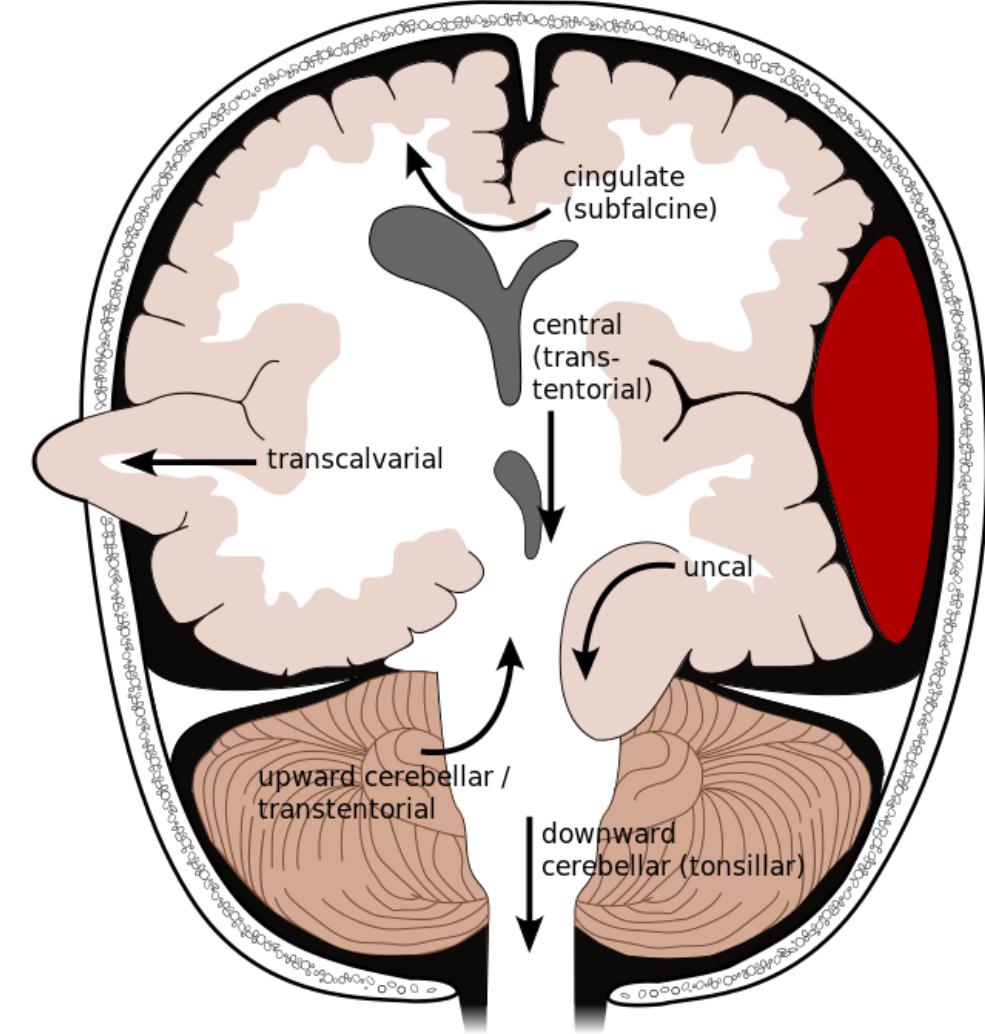
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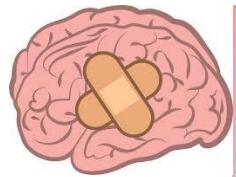
- Cerebellar tonsils are displaced inferiorly and become impacted into foramen magnum
- pinpoint pupils, flaccid paralysis, and sudden death.



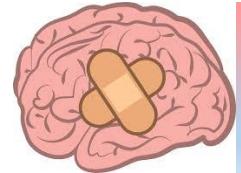
# UPWARD CEREBELLAR TRANSTENTORIAL

- Caused by expanding posterior fossa mass
- Cerebellum move up through the tentorial opening
- Conjugate downward gaze with absence of vertical eye movements and pinpoint pupils.





# **SEVERE TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY**



# CEREBRAL RESUSCITATION

## Principles

Restoring cerebral blood flow and preventing secondary insult

- Physical
- Physiological
- Pharmacological
- Surgical



# PHYSICAL

- Head elevation 30°
- Avoid excessive flexion of the head or pressure around the neck that may impair cerebral venous drainage
- Insertion of orogastric tube (in basal skull #)
- Insertion of urinary catheter (if no bladder injury)

# PHYSIOLOGICAL

- Ensure normovolemia, maintain SBP>100mgHg to ensure adequate CPP
- Ensure normothermia (aim 36-37°C)
- Adequate oxygenation
- Ensure normocapnia, aim 35-45mmHg
- Maintain glycemic control 4-8mmol/l

# PHARMACOLOGICAL

- Control epileptic activity with anti epileptic
- Consider RSI with cerebroprotective advantages.
- Ensure adequate sedation and analgesic

# Pharmacotherapy for Drug-Assisted Intubation

- Propofol is recommended for the control of ICP
- Short acting IV benzodiazapines, such as midazolam, may be used for sedation and reversed with flumazenil

(ATLS 10<sup>th</sup> Edition, BrainTraumaFoundation.org 4<sup>th</sup> Edition)



- Post-intubation sedation and analgesia

DRUG	DOSAGE
SEDATION	
Benzodiazepine Midazolam	IV Infusion 0.05 – 0.1mg over at least 2 – 5 mins
ANALGESIA	
Opioids Fentanyl Morphine	0.5 - 2µg/kg/h continuous infusion 0.05 – 0.1mg/kg/hr continuous infusion

(CPG Early Management of Head Injury in Adults 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition 2015)

DRUGS	ADVANTAGES	DISADVANTAGES
FENTANYL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attenuate rises in BP &amp; HR</li> <li>• Neuroprotective in patient with raised ICP.</li> </ul>	
LIDOCAINE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bronchodilator effect</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Caused hypotensive</li> </ul>
ETOMIDATE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduced ICP</li> <li>• Rarely reduced BP</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No analgesic property</li> <li>• Can decreased seizure threshold, myoclonic jerks</li> </ul>
KETAMINE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increased BP-Neuroprotective (suited in TBI with normal/reduced BP)</li> <li>• Bronchodilator</li> <li>• Dissociative amnesia</li> </ul>	<p>Increased ICP Increased secretions</p>
PROPOFOL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stop seizure</li> <li>• Bronchodilation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No analgesic</li> <li>• Cause hypotensive → reduced CBF</li> </ul>
MIDAZOLAM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anticonvulsant</li> <li>• Reversible</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lack of analgesic</li> <li>• Apnea</li> </ul>
SUCCINYLCHOLINE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Short acting</li> </ul>	
ROCURONIUM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ideal in patient status epilepticus (due to long action of paralysis)</li> </ul>	

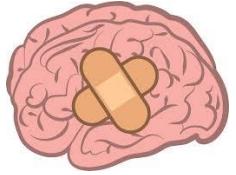
# SURGICAL

- Decompression craniectomy
- Surgical drainage of hematoma

# Other clinical parameters

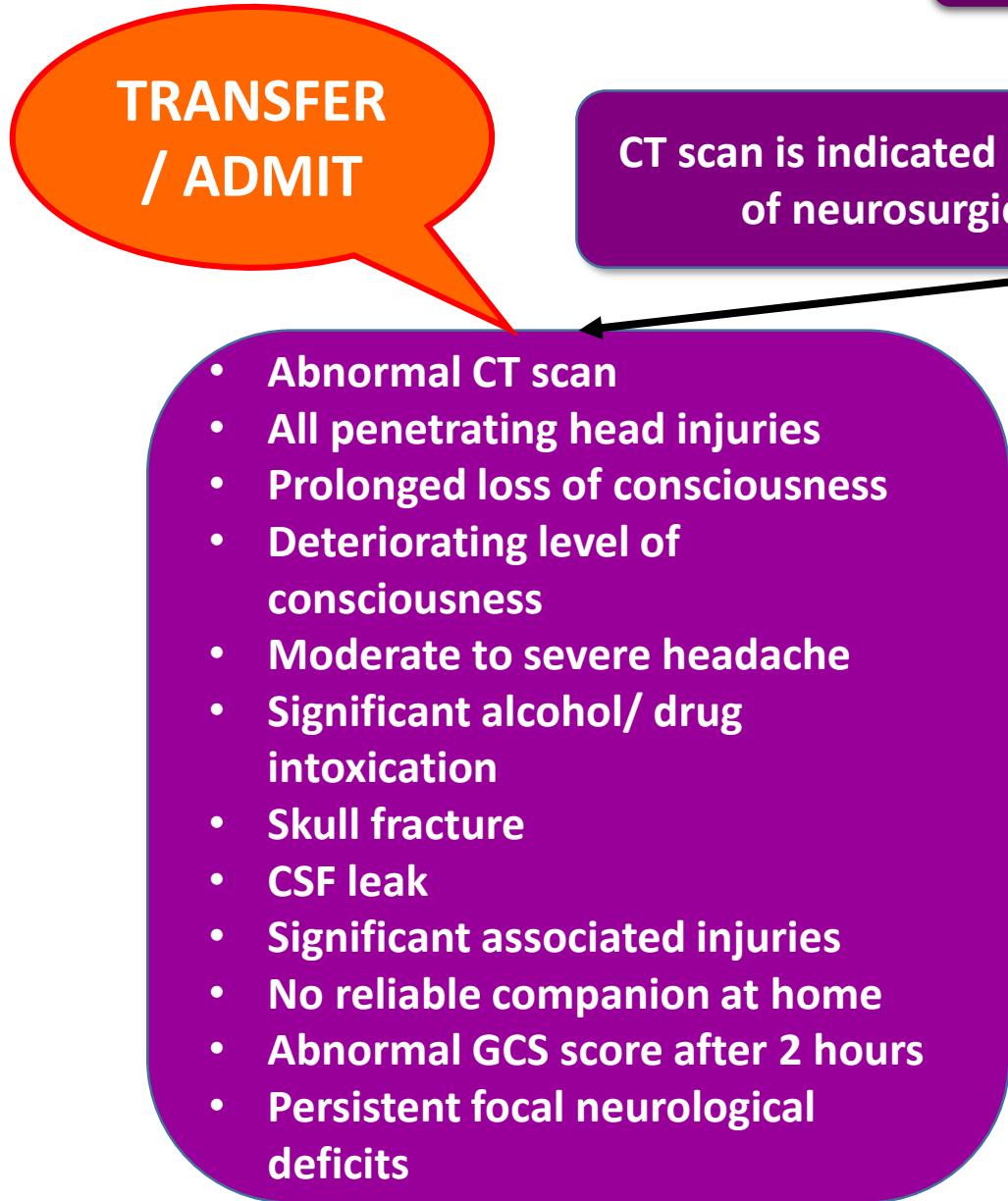
PARAMETERS	RANGE	PARAMETERS	RANGE
Temperature	<b>36–38°C</b>	PaO <sub>2</sub>	<b>≥ 100 mm Hg</b>
Glucose	<b>80–180 mg/dL</b>	PaCO <sub>2</sub>	<b>35–45 mm Hg</b>
Hemoglobin	<b>≥ 7 g/dL</b>	pH	<b>7.35–7.45</b>
Platelets	<b>≥ 75 X 10<sup>3</sup>/mm<sup>3</sup></b>	CPP	<b>≥ 60 mm Hg*</b>
INR	<b>≤ 1.4</b>	Intracranial pressure	<b>5–15 mm Hg*</b>
Na	<b>135–145 meq/dL</b>	PbtO <sub>2</sub>	<b>≥ 15 mm Hg*</b>
Pulse oximetry	<b>≥ 95%</b>		

*Data from ACS TQIP Best Practices in the Management of Traumatic Brain Injury. ACS Committee on Trauma, January 2015.*



# MILD TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY

- Post resuscitation GCS 13 – 15
- Often sustained a concussion; transient loss of neurologic function following a head injury
- Can be confounded by alcohol or other intoxicants
- Physical findings in isolated mild TBI are often normal
- Indications for CT Brain are based on Canadian CT Head Rules/ New Orleans



Mild TBI

CT scan is indicated if criteria of high or moderate risk of neurosurgical intervention are present

**DISCHARGE**

Patient does not meet criteria for admission

Observe in ED at least 6 hours

Discuss need to return if any problems develop and issue a “warning sheet”

Sekiranya terdapat sebarang  
kemusyilan atau ketika  
kecemasan,  
sila hubungi kami di telan  
088.522.699 atau 522.534

Terdatangan Pegawai Perintah

JABATAN KECEMARAH DAN TRAUMA  
HOSPITAL WANITA DAN KANAK-KANAK  
SABAH



ARAHAH AMARAN DISCAJ BAGI  
PESAKIT YANG MENGALAMI  
KECEDERAAN OTAK YANG  
RINGAN  
  
(MILD TRAUMATIC BRAIN  
INJURY; WARNING DISCHARGE  
INSTRUCTION)

Nama Betuk:

No Kad Pengenalan:

Tarikh:

JABATAN KECEMASAN DAN TRAUMA  
Hospital Wanita dan Kanak-Kanak Sabah  
Bog berkuensi s/ri: Wong Kong Katalu, Sabah

## ARAHAH AMARAN DISCAJ

Arahan aran discaj bagi pesakit yang mengalami kecederaan otak yang ringan  
(Mild/Traumatic Brain Injury; Warning Discharge Instruction)

TANDA-TANDA YANG PERLU DI AMBIL  
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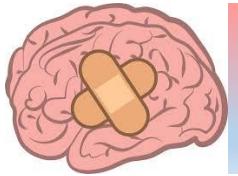
1. Mengantuk atau sukar dikehujan daripada tidur
2. Loya dan Muntah
3. Sawan
4. Pendarahan atau keluar cecair dari rongga hidung atau telinga
5. Sakit kepala yang berterusan
6. Lemah atau kebas pada tangan dan kaki
7. Keliru dan tingkahlaku yang pelik
8. Saiz anak mata yang tidak sama di kedua belah mata, pergerakan mata yang tidak biasa, imej penglihatan nampak dua (double vision) dan lain-lain masalah berkaitan penglibatan.
9. Nadi yang perlu cepat atau terlalu perlahan atau pernafasan yang tidak normal.

Sekiranya ada kebengkakan pada bahagian yang tercedera, letakkan bungkusan ais. Pastikan bahagian tersebut dilapis i dengan tuaia atau kain di antara permukaan kulit dan bungkusai ais. Sekiranya bengkakan itu semakin membesar, sila hubungi kami atau datang ke hospital yang berdekatan dengan segera.

Anda boleh makan dan minum seperti biasa. Namun elakkan minuman beralkohol sekurang-kurangnya 3 hari selepas kecederaan.

Elakkan mengambil ubat tidur atau ubat penahanan kesakitan yang lebih kuat daripada Acetaminophen (paracetamol) dalam tempoh 24 jam.

Elakkan mengambil ubatan yang mengandungi aspirin



# CASE STUDY



# DOES SKULL XRAY HAS ROLE IN SUSPECTED TBI?

NICE Guidance - Head injury: assessment and early management (last updated on 2017)

When compared with autopsy, X-ray missed 19.1% of fractures while 11.9% fractures

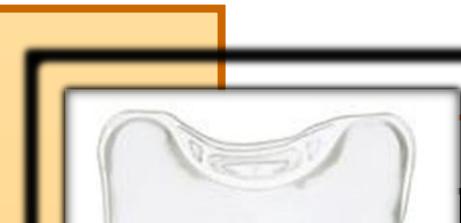
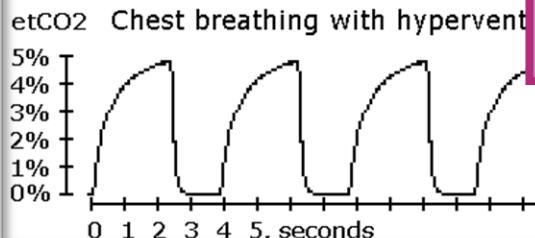
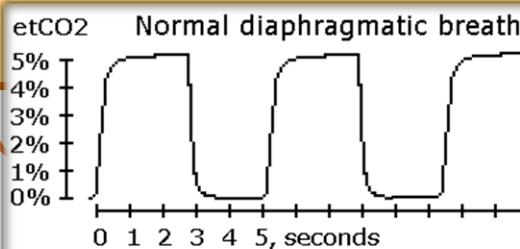
Head CT is the investigation of choice to identify ICH following head injury. The plain skull Xray **is ineffective screening tool** in predicting ICH in MHI with a mean sensitivity of 50.0% and a mean specificity of 97%. It is confirmed that **skull radiography is of little value in the clinical assessment of mild TBI**

\* CPG Early Management of Head Injury in Adults 2015

\*<http://jnnp.bmjjournals.org/content/68/4/416>: Value of radiological diagnosis of skull fracture in the management of mild head injury: meta-analysis

## HYPERVENTILATION

- Hyperventilation acts as a protective mechanism by causing cerebral vasoconstriction
- This risk is particularly important when PaCO<sub>2</sub> is allowed <30 mmHg
- Hypercarbia (PCO<sub>2</sub>) is a potent stimulus that promotes vasodilation and increases intracranial pressure



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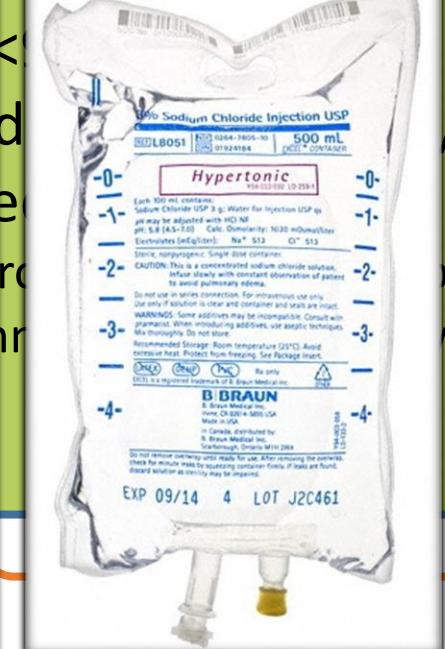
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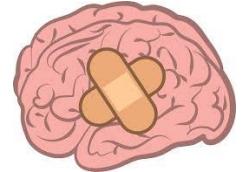
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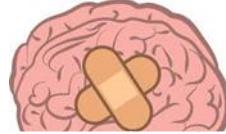
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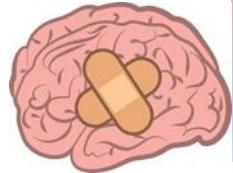
# VERDICT

- Brief periods of hyperventilation
  - PaCO<sub>2</sub> of 25 to 30 mm Hg may be necessary to manage acute neurological deterioration while other treatments are initiated (craniotomy)
- Mannitol can be used in increased ICP, provided no hypotension
- Hypertonic saline is preferred in hypotensive patient



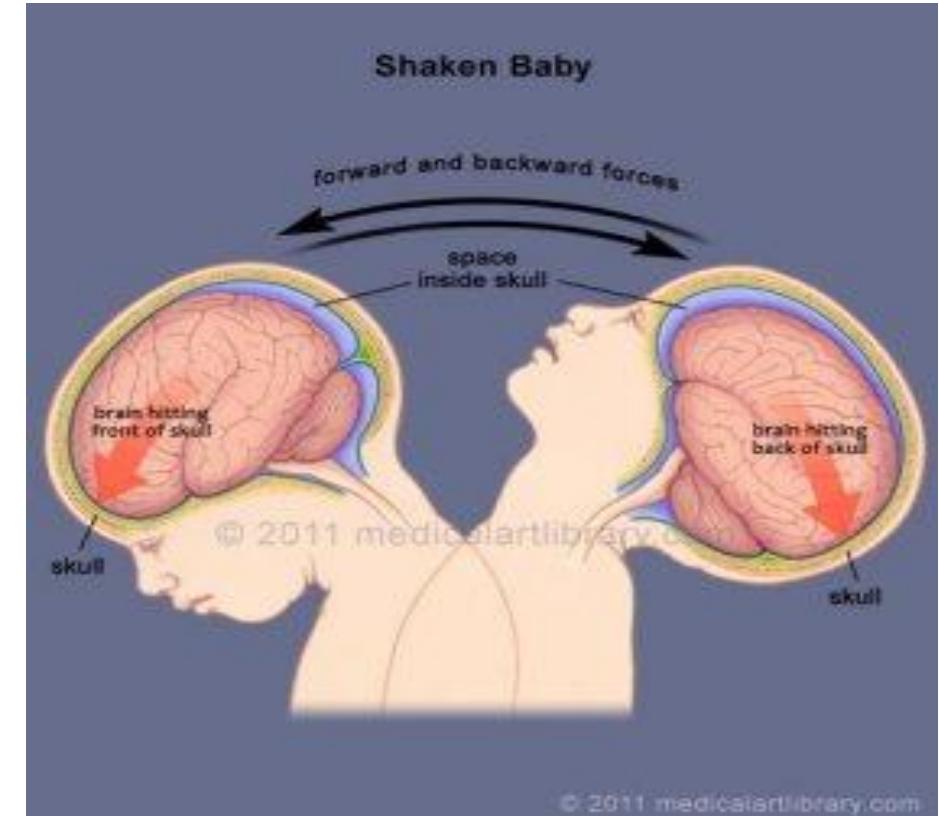
## PAEDIATRIC TRAUMA

NEWBORNS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Delivery head injury</li><li>• Cephalohematoma</li><li>• Subgaleal hematoma</li><li>• Intracranial hemorrhage</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Caused by head compression and traction through the birth canal (vagina delivery) with obstetric instruments</li><li>• Premature baby are risk factor for intracranial haemorrhage.</li></ul>
INFANTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Accidental head injury</li><li>• Abusive head trauma</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Caused by inappropriate childcare practise</li><li>• If mechanism of injury is not clear, consider for child abuse.</li><li>• AHT is the most common cause of TBI related hospitalisation and death</li></ul>
TODDLERS & SCHOOL CHILDREN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Accidental head injury</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Caused by accidents increase as child develop motor ability</li><li>• Pedestrian injury also increases In this age group.</li></ul>
ADOLESCENTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bicycle and motorcycle related accidents</li><li>• Sports related head injuries</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Trainers and players those involved in contact sports will require education about concussion.</li></ul>



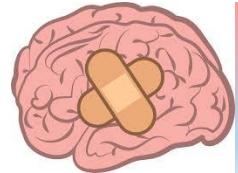
# SHAKEN BABY SYNDROME

- Most common cause of NAI/abuse
- Large heavy head
- Weak neck muscle
- Fragile central nervous system



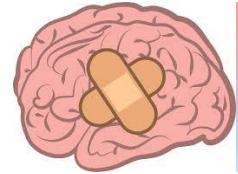
## COMMON PRESENTATION

- Lethargy/poor muscle tone
- Decreased appetite, poor feeding/sucking, vomiting
- Extreme irritability
- Grab type bruises on arm or chest
- Seizures
- Difficulty breathing
- Broken bones
- Mental retardation



# SUMMARY

- Primary goal of treatment is to prevent secondary brain injury
- Ensure adequate oxygenation and prevent hypotension
- Know the indications for CT brain imaging
- Skull X-ray has no role as diagnostic imaging



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