



STROKE 2024

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Stroke Treatments

If you are having a stroke it is important to get immediate medical attention—**Call 9-1-1**. The sooner you get treatment the better. Immediate treatment may help minimize the long-term effects of stroke and improve recovery outcomes.

Can Stroke Be Treated?

There are several treatment options for stroke depending on the cause of your stroke. If you are having an ischemic stroke or a stroke that is caused by a blood clot your healthcare professional may recommend drug treatment.

Drug Treatment

There is only one Food & Drug Administration (FDA) approved drug treatment for acute ischemic stroke. Tissue plasminogen activator (tPA) is given via intravenous therapy (IV) and works by dissolving the clot and improving blood flow to the part of the brain being deprived of blood flow. tPA should be given within three hours (and up to 4.5 hours in certain eligible patients) of the time symptoms first started.

Mechanical Devices

Some ischemic strokes are treated with small mechanical devices that remove or break up blood clots. If clot-busting drugs are ruled out, another option one of the many FDA approved mechanical devices. A surgeon inserts a small mechanical device into the blocked artery using a thin tube. Once inside, the tool traps the clot, and either breaks it up or the surgeon pulls it out of the brain, reopening the blocked blood vessel in the process.

A hemorrhagic stroke (sometimes called a bleed) occurs if an artery in your brain leaks blood or ruptures (breaks open). The first steps in treating a hemorrhagic stroke are to find the cause of bleeding in the brain and then control it. Some of the options for treatments include surgical clips or coils inserted in aneurysms (weaknesses in the blood vessel wall), controlling high blood pressure, and surgery to remove the bleeding vessel and blood that has spilled into the brain.

Medical advances have greatly improved survival rates and recovery from stroke during the last decade. Your chances of survival and recovery outcomes are even better if the stroke is identified and treated immediately.



HOW DID WE GET HERE?

t-PA

In 1995 published in the NEJM the Thrombolytic therapy trial for acute ischemic stroke utilizing t-PA was published.

The trial has 2 parts. Part 1 tested whether t-PA improved NIHSS by at least 4 points or had resolution of neurologic deficit within 24 hours. Part 2 used global test statistic to assess clinical outcome at 3 months according to mRS, Glasgow outcome scale, NIHSS, and Barthel index.

t-PA

Part One-No improvement

Part Two-All 4 outcome measures improved (global odds ratio for favorable outcome, 1.7; 95% confidence interval, 1.2 to 2.6) as compared with patients given placebo, patients given t-PA were 30% more likely to have minimal to NO disability at 3 months.

t-PA

These results in spite of 6.4% hemorrhage rate with t-PA vs 0.6% placebo

ECASS III

In 2008, European Cooperative Acute Stroke Study III demonstrated benefit of IV t-PA up to 4.5 hours, extending window of treatment.

ENDOVASCULAR TREATMENT FOR ACUTE ISCHEMIC STROKE

NEJM in 2013 published study comparing endovascular treatment alone vs. standard IV t-PA treatment of stroke within 4.5 hours onset.

ENDOVASCULAR TREATMENT FOR ACUTE ISCHEMIC STROKE

A total of 181 patients assigned to each treatment group. At 3 months there was no statistical difference in alive without disability, fatal or non-fatal intracranial hemorrhage, fatality rate.

ENDOVASCULAR TREATMENT FOR ACUTE ISCHEMIC STROKE

2 other studies of 2013, the IMSIII and the MR
Rescue also failed to show benefit

No Harm, Just No Benefit



MR CLEAN (2014)

Question:

In the subset of patients with large proximal anterior circulation strokes, does intra-arterial intervention in addition to usual care offer improvement?

MR CLEAN (2014)

**Bottom Line:
YES.**

Patients with large proximal anterior circulation strokes, intra-arterial therapy within 6 hours improved functional independence at 90 days without increase ICH or mortality.

THE RIGHT QUESTION WAS ASKED!

MR CLEAN (2014)

Large artery occlusions of proximal anterior circulation (ICA, M1, M2, A1, AZ) account for about one-third of anterior ischemic strokes.

However, conventional IV t-PA is able to achieve recanalization in less than one-fifth of patients.

MR CLEAN (2014)

MR CLEAN randomized 500 patients with a radiographically confirmed proximal arterial occlusion in anterior circulation to treatment with IA intervention within 6 hours of symptoms vs. standardized care.

Both groups received IV t-PA.

MR CLEAN (2014)

MR CLEAN demonstrated that IA intervention arm had significantly improved 90 day outcomes (mRS) compared with usual care arm (OR 1.67, 95% CI 1.21-2.3).

No difference in ICH or mortality.

33% functional independence IA vs. 19% standard treatment

MR CLEAN (2014)

With this data, the other worldwide studies Canadian ESCAPE, Australia EXTEND-IA, Spain REVASCAT, and SWIFT PRIME were all terminated early due to their ethical clauses.

All showed identical results to MR CLEAN.

MR CLEAN (2014)

Thus, it became UNETHICAL to NOT treat with intervention.



OH BOY!

Game On.....



MS STROKE SYSTEM SETUP



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STROKE LEVEL I REQUIREMENTS

- **Stroke Level I**
- Consists of a core team of personnel, infrastructure, and expertise to diagnose and treat stroke patients who require intensive medical, surgical, and interventional vascular care. The team consists of a neurologist, neurosurgeon, and endovascular specialists.
- Fully equipped Emergency Department (ED) for rapid diagnosis and treatment using standard CT imaging within 25 minutes and ability to have results reported within 45 minutes of test completion.
- Lab services available 24/7 with appropriate result reporting.
- Neurology, Neurosurgery, and Endovascular specialists available 24/7.
- Intensive Care capability available with critical care specialist available 24/7.
- Complete rehabilitation services (physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech therapy) staffed by trained professionals and available for all patients within 24 to 48 hours of admission.
- Readily available for transfer of patient from field or lower care facility.
- Maintenance of adequate helicopter landing site on campus.
- Operating room and appropriate support staff available 24/7 for emergency surgery when necessary.
- Radiologic and diagnostic imaging with expedited reporting available 24/7, this should include angiography with endovascular capabilities.
- Must participate in the American Heart Association (AHA) “Get With The Guidelines” - Stroke Registry. A multi-disciplinary quality improvement team, should meet at least quarterly to review data and lead quality improvement initiatives.
- Stroke Medical Education (CME) annually.
- Community and professional educational projects should be ongoing.

STROKE LEVEL 2 REQUIREMENTS

- **Stroke Level 2** -- (must have all of the requirements of Level 1 EXCLUDING endovascular capabilities)
- Consists of a core team of personnel, infrastructure, and expertise to diagnose and treat stroke patients who require intensive medical and surgical care.
- The team consists of a diagnostic radiologist, neurologist, and neurosurgeon. Fully equipped ED for rapid diagnosis and treatment using standard CT imaging within 25 minutes and ability to have results reported within 45 minutes of test completion.
- Lab services available 24/7 with appropriate result reporting.
- Radiology and Neurology specialists available 24/7.
- Intensive Care capability available with critical care specialist available 24/7.
- Complete rehab services (physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech therapy) staffed by trained professionals and available for all patients within 24 to 48 hours of admission.
- Readily available for transfer of patient from field or lower care facility.
- Maintenance of adequate helicopter landing site on campus.
- Operating room and appropriate support staff available 24/7 for emergency surgery when necessary.
- Radiologic and diagnostic imaging with expedited reporting available 24/7.
- Must participate in the AHA Get With The Guidelines® - Stroke Registry. A multi-disciplinary quality improvement team should meet to review data and lead quality improvement initiatives at least quarterly.
- Stroke team members must document at least eight hours of CME annually.
- Community and professional educational projects should be ongoing.

STROKE LEVEL 3 REQUIREMENTS

- **Stroke Level 3** -- (must have the ability to diagnose and stabilize patient for transfer to Level 1 or 2 Referring Center)
- ED physician, other qualified physician, or physician extender available 24/7 to diagnose and initiate appropriate treatment.
- Rapid diagnosis and treatment using standard CT imaging within 25 minutes and ability to have results reported within 45 minutes of test completion.
- Lab services available 24/7 with appropriate result reporting.
- Acute stroke-trained providers should be available 24/7 to direct IV
- Alteplase (t-PA) administration.
- Transition plans must be established for rapid transfer of patient to Level 1
- or 2 Stroke Center. Factors that may necessitate transfer include:
 - Consider utilizing “Drip and Ship” after initiation of Alteplase if neurosurgery coverage is not available.
 - Patients with rapid clinical decline.
 - Patients without response to IV Alteplase or outside IV
 - Alteplase window who may benefit from neuro intervention.
 - Other factors as clinically necessary.
- Must participate in the Get With The Guidelines® - Stroke Registry. A multi- disciplinary quality improvement team should meet to review data and lead quality improvement initiatives at least quarterly.
- Community and professional educational projects should be ongoing.

PROTOCOL

St. Dominic-Jackson Memorial Hospital

Title: Stroke Alert

Applies To: St. Dominic Hospital	Category: Clinical
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Purpose:

To describe the procedure for activation and response to a stroke alert

Definitions:

- Acute stroke:** current or recent (within hours) loss of perfusion to vascular territory of the brain
- Last Known Well:** the time at which the patient was last known to be without the signs and symptoms of the current stroke or at his/her prior baseline
- Stroke Alert:** the term used for urgent notification that a patient has signs and symptoms of an acute stroke

Procedure:

- "Stroke Alert"** is initiated when a patient is found to have signs and symptoms of an acute stroke.
- When the patient is in the Emergency Department, a clinician initiates a Stroke Alert when last known well is \leq 8 hours from presentation to the Emergency Department.
- If the patient is on the St. Dominic Hospital South Campus but not in critical care, any staff member initiates a PERT.
 - A clinician on the PERT may initiate a Stroke Alert.
- If the patient is in critical care, a clinician initiates a Stroke Alert.

- An Emergency Department physician initiates a Stroke Alert upon the arrival of the patient who has been transferred from another facility after receiving a tissue plasminogen activator (tPA).
- An Emergency Department physician initiates a Stroke Alert when the patient arrives with symptoms of a wake-up stroke.
- If the patient is at Dominican Plaza, Cancer Center, Behavioral Health Services North Campus and such locations that are not part of St. Dominic Hospital South Campus, 911 is called.
- A Stroke Alert is initiated by using the PULSARA STOP STROKE app as outlined on Phase 1 Hyper-Acute Stroke order set and Wake Up Orders for Pt Outside of IV TPA Window.
- This procedure is used 24 hours per day every day.
- For additional information regarding the stroke alert team, contact the Stroke Program Coordinator or the nurse practitioner assigned to neurology.

Related Documents:

- Acute Stroke Patient Transfers from Another Facility, St. Dominic Hospital procedure
- Code 99, St. Dominic Hospital guideline
- Patient Evaluation Response Team (PERT), St. Dominic Hospital guideline

References:

- Phase 1 Hyper-Acute Stroke order set, <https://www2.stdom.com/SSI/WebPages/DoctorOrderForms/index.cfm>
- Wake Up Orders for Pt Outside of IV TPA Window order set, <https://www2.stdom.com/SSI/WebPages/DoctorOrderForms/index.cfm>

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	1) General <input type="checkbox"/> Discharge <input type="checkbox"/> Discharge Diagnosis is in active Diagnosis list <input type="checkbox"/> Discharge Diagnosis is not available in Diagnosis list <input type="checkbox"/> Discharge Instructions: _____	
	2) Condition at Discharge <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Stable	
	3) Diet <input type="checkbox"/> Regular <input type="checkbox"/> Coumadin diet <input type="checkbox"/> Heart Healthy <input type="checkbox"/> Heart Healthy ADA _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Na restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Other Diet _____	
	4) Social Worker Consult: Please arrange for home services through primary care provider <input type="checkbox"/> St Dominic's Outpatient 601-200-4920 <input type="checkbox"/> PT <input type="checkbox"/> OT <input type="checkbox"/> ST <input type="checkbox"/> Outpatient Rehab <input type="checkbox"/> PT <input type="checkbox"/> OT <input type="checkbox"/> ST <input type="checkbox"/> Home Health - Stroke - Transition of Care Program (Sign Face to Face form) <input type="checkbox"/> PT <input type="checkbox"/> OT <input type="checkbox"/> ST <input type="checkbox"/> RN <input type="checkbox"/> Aide <input type="checkbox"/> Home Health Other: _____ (Sign Face to Face form) <input type="checkbox"/> PT <input type="checkbox"/> OT <input type="checkbox"/> ST <input type="checkbox"/> RN <input type="checkbox"/> Aide <input type="checkbox"/> Home oxygen at ___ L/min via cannula: <input type="checkbox"/> continuous <input type="checkbox"/> intermittent <input type="checkbox"/> Durable Medical Equipment <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	

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Date & Time	Acute Stroke Discharge Orders	Page 2 of 3
	5) Activity: <input type="checkbox"/> As tolerated <input type="checkbox"/> No lifting <input type="checkbox"/> No Driving <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
	6) Schedule the following outpatient studies: <input type="checkbox"/> INR <input type="checkbox"/> CBC w/ diff <input type="checkbox"/> BMP <input type="checkbox"/> Radiology: <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	
	7) Schedule follow-up appointment: <input type="checkbox"/> With Primary care provider <input type="checkbox"/> With neurologist _____ in _____ weeks. <input type="checkbox"/> With Stroke clinic in 2 weeks <input type="checkbox"/> With Stroke clinic in 2 weeks AND 90 days for patients who received IV TPA or Endovascular Stroke Treatment <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	
	8) Provide Stroke education: <small>Stroke Risk Factors, Stroke Warning Signs and Symptoms; FAST; How to Activate EMS-911; Need for Follow up after Discharge; Prescribed Medications; Smoking Cessation; Diet Instructions Complete home assessment tool, obtain signatures and place on chart Provide individualized education for each risk factor Provide information regarding respite care</small>	
	9) Medications: <input type="checkbox"/> Per Discharge medication reconciliation	

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	9) Core Measure Discharge Checklist <input type="checkbox"/> NIHSS at discharge: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> MRS at discharge: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Antithrombotic at discharge: • Yes • No, contraindicated, _____ <input type="checkbox"/> If patient has Atrial Fibrillation/Atrial Flutter discharged on Coumadin? If not why? _____ <input type="checkbox"/> LDL > 100 discharged on statin? If not why? _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Hunt and Hess Score (SAH) <input type="checkbox"/> ICH score (ICHs) <input type="checkbox"/> Stroke education has been continuous throughout admission <input type="checkbox"/> VTE prophylaxis has been continuous throughout admission	

_____/_____/_____
 Date Time Physician Signature



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Date & Time	Post IA TPA - Mechanical Thrombectomy	Page 1 of 2
	1. Admit to ICU to Dr. _____ as inpatient	
	2. Diagnosis:	
	3. Vital signs with neuro checks: q15min x 2 hrs, q30min x 6hrs, q 1 x 24 hrs then routine	
	4. Code Status:	
	5. Consults:	
	6. If arterial sheath is in place:	
	A. Bed rest; keep _____ straight; HOB no higher than 30 degrees; may log roll PRN.	
	B. Keep sheath dripping at TKO with 1000 units Heparin per 500 mL NS.	
	C. Keep sheath pressure bag pumped to greater than 300 mmHg at all times.	
	D. Change sheath flush bag PRN. Keep flush bag above heart level at all times including transport. No air in sheath flush line.	
	E. Check _____ puncture site and distal pulses with vital sign checks.	
	7. If arterial sheath recently removed:	
	A. Bed rest; keep _____ straight; HOB no higher than 30 degrees; may log roll PRN. beginning 2 hrs after sheath out until _____	
	B. Vital signs q 15 min x 2 hr, then q 30 min x 6 hrs, and then q 1 hr x 24 hrs then routine.	
	C. Check _____ puncture site and distal pulses with vital sign checks until _____	
	8. If arterial puncture site has been secured with Angio-Seal:	
	A. Bed rest; keep _____ straight; HOB no higher than 30 degrees; may log roll PRN until _____	
	B. Vital signs q 15 min x 2 hr, then q 30 min x 6 hrs, and then q 1 hr x 24 hrs then routine.	
	C. Check _____ puncture site and distal pulses with vital sign checks until _____	
	9. Foley to gravity. A-Line to monitor. Discontinue and A-Line in AM. Discontinue foley in a.m.	
	10. Call physician for: Systolic blood pressure > _____ or < _____ Diastolic blood pressure > _____ or < _____ Pulse > _____ or < _____ Resp distress New neurologic deficits, puncture site hematoma or bleeding and/or loss or decrease of pulses at or distal to puncture site.	
	11. If bleeding or hematoma suspected, immediately hold pressure for 15 minutes and notify Physician at 6150	

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Date & Time	Post IA TPA - Mechanical Thrombectomy	Page 2 of 2
	Pharmacy Mnemonic: PIATPAMT	
	12. Diet: <input type="checkbox"/> NPO until dysphasia screen passed	
	13. IV:	
	14. Lab:	
	15. Studies:	
	16. Medication: Administer medication utilizing range order guideline.	
	<input type="checkbox"/> IV Heparin 25,000 units in 250 mL 0.45% sodium chloride; Initiate Cardiac Heparin Order Set	
	<input type="checkbox"/> IV Heparin 25,000 units in 250 mL 0.45% sodium chloride; Begin at _____mL/hr. Check PTT at _____	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Plavix (clopidogrel) 75 mg PO daily	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Morphine sulfate _____ mg IV q 2 hrs PRN severe pain (6 - 10 on the numeric pain intensity scale)	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Norco -7.5 (hydrocodone/acetaminophen 7.5/325) one tab PO q 4 hrs PRN moderate pain (3.1 - 5.9 on the numeric pain intensity scale)	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Tylenol ES (acetaminophen) 500 mg one tab PO q 6 hrs PRN mild pain (0.1 - 3 on the numeric pain intensity scale)	
	Do not exceed 3 grams of acetaminophen in 24 hrs.	
	If both selected, give Zofran first. If it is ineffective then give Phenergan.	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Zofran (ondansetron) 4 mg IV q 6 hrs PRN nausea or vomiting	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Phenergan (promethazine):	
	<input type="checkbox"/> 12.5 IM q 6 hrs PRN nausea or vomiting (patient is less than or equal to 120lbs)	
	OR <input type="checkbox"/> 25 IM q 6 hrs PRN nausea or vomiting (patient is greater than 120lbs)	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Restoril (temazepam) 15 mg PO q hs PRN insomnia	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Maalox Plus (aluminum-magnesium hydroxide): <input type="checkbox"/> 10 mL <input type="checkbox"/> 20 mL PO q 6 hrs PRN indigestion	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Milk of Magnesia concentrate (magnesium hydroxide) 10 mL PO daily PRN constipation	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Colace (docusate) 100 mg PO bid	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacy to identify and list home meds	
	17. Notify attending physician of room# on arrival to ICU for further orders.	

Date / Time Physician Signature

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Date / Time	Ischemic Stroke (receiving r-tPA/Alteplase) Phase 2 Page 1 of 2 Pharmacy Mnemonic: ISTEPAP1
	1. Admit to Neuro ICU as inpatient for Dr.
	2. CM: Stroke (Nursing order- do not delete)
	3. IV Access: Sodium Chloride 0.9% 1000ml at _____ ml/hr
	4. Vital Signs and Neuro Checks: Measure blood pressure and perform neurological assessments every 15 minutes during and after IV TPA infusion for 2 hours, then every 30 minutes for 6 hours, then hourly until 24 hours after IV TPA treatment. Increase the frequency of blood pressure measurement if systolic blood pressure is >180mmHg or if diastolic blood pressure is > 105 mmHg. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Continuous cardiac monitoring for 24 hrs <i>This vital sign order must be followed for 24 hours after its initiation. This order supersedes any other vital sign order placed before this order has been followed and completed.</i>
	5. Diet: Keep NPO until nursing swallow screening completed and passed
	6. Seizure Precautions
	7. <input type="checkbox"/> Foley catheter to bedside drainage for strict I&O
	8. Fall Precautions
	9. Activity: Strict bed rest until rehab assessment, then activity level as directed
	10. Aspiration Precautions: Keep head of bed elevated 30-45 degrees at all times
	11. Notify MD of Neurological changes
	12. <input type="checkbox"/> Initiate Glycemic Control orders
	13. O2 via nasal cannula and face mask to keep SPO ₂ >94%
	14. Initiate and complete Pneumonia/Influenza Screen on transfer from ICU
	15. No routine needle venous or arterial punctures for 24 hours except for emergency and with MD Order
	16. LABS: 24 hours post tPA infusion
	<input type="checkbox"/> CBC w/diff in AM once <input type="checkbox"/> Once daily x 3
	<input type="checkbox"/> PT/INR in AM once <input type="checkbox"/> Once daily x 3
	<input type="checkbox"/> Basic Metabolic Profile in AM once <input type="checkbox"/> Once daily x 3
	Fasting Lipid Profile in AM once
	Hgb A1C in AM once
	<input type="checkbox"/> UA STAT once <input type="checkbox"/> Urine C&S STAT once
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
	17. Consults:
	a. <input type="checkbox"/> Consult Nutrition Services for evaluation and dietary education – Stroke Patient
	b. Consult Speech Therapy – Stroke Patient – include cognitive screen
	c. <input type="checkbox"/> Consult Diabetic Nurse – (for diabetic patients only)
	d. <input type="checkbox"/> Consult Respiratory Therapy – Stroke Patient
	e. Consult Social Services and Case Manager for discharge planning and Smoking Cessation
	f. Consult Rehab Services: OT, PT, evaluate and treat - Stroke Patient OT:-include depression screen
	g. <input type="checkbox"/> Patient is ineligible to receive rehab services because symptoms resolved.
	18. Physician Consults: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Level 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Level 2
	19. Provide Stroke Education: Individualized education regarding stroke Risk Factors, Stroke Warning Signs and Symptoms; FAST; How to Activate EMS:911; Need for Follow up after Discharge; Prescribed Medications; Smoking Cessation; Diet Instructions

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Date / Time	Ischemic Stroke (receiving r-tPA/Alteplase) Phase 2 Page 2 of 2
	20. Complete and document NIHSS 24 hours post-tPA or endovascular procedure.
	21. Diagnostics: *Indication needed to process order
	<input type="checkbox"/> MRI Brain & MRA Brain and Neck without contrast: *Indication _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> MRI Brain without contrast, without MRA *Indication _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> CT of Brain without contrast for stroke, *Indication post tPA in 24 hrs _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> CTA brain and neck for *Indication _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> Echocardiogram *Indication _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> Carotid Duplex Ultrasound for * Indication _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ *Indication _____
	22. Blood Pressure Management:
	Systolic Blood Pressure greater than or equal to 220 OR Diastolic Blood Pressure greater than 120 on 2 or more consecutive BP checks at least 10 minutes apart
	1. Notify MD IMMEDIATELY
	2. Give Labetalol 10mg IV over 1-2 minutes every 4 hr PRN other (see comment)
	3. Continuous blood pressure monitoring
	4. HOLD LABETALOL FOR ACUTE ASTHMA OR CHF EXACERBATION OR FOR HEART RATE LESS THAN 50 OR FOR RHYTHM OF 2ND OR 3RD DEGREE HEART BLOCK.
	Initial Diastolic Blood Pressure > 140
	1. Notify MD immediately
	2. Begin Nicardipine 20 mg in 200ml sodium chloride IV infusion at _____. Increase by 2.5 mg/hr every 15 minutes for MAP of _____. Max rate is 15 mg/hr
	3. Continuous Blood Pressure Monitoring
	Medications: tPA completion date/time: _____ DO NOT ADMINISTER WITHIN 24 HOURS OF COMPLETING r-TPA INFUSION : ASPIRIN HEPARIN TICLOPIDINE (TICLID) WARFARIN (COUMADIN) CLOPIDOGEL (PLAVIX) AGGRENOX (DIPYRIDAMOLE-ASPIRIN) NON STEROIDAL ANTI INFLAMMATORIES ANTI PLATELETS OR ANTI COAGULANTS ANTIPLATELET THERAPY AFTER FIRST 24 HOURS
	<input type="checkbox"/> Aspirin 81 mg po daily
	<input type="checkbox"/> Aspirin 325 mg po daily
	<input type="checkbox"/> Plavix (clopidogrel) 75 mg po daily
	<input type="checkbox"/> Aggrenox (25mg aspirin/200mg dipyridamole) one cap po BID
	<input type="checkbox"/> Warfarin (coumadin) _____ mg po Daily <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Coumadin Education (if applicable)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Ativan (lorazepam) 1 mg IV 30min prior to imaging procedure for agitation. May repeat x _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> STATIN:
	<input type="checkbox"/> (Consider STATIN for LDL ≥ to 100mg/dL; For Diabetic patients LDL > 70)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Laxative: _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> Nausea/Vomiting: If IV and PO are selected, give by the oral route unless patient is unable to take PO meds. If unable to take PO meds, give by the IV route. <input type="checkbox"/> Zofran (ondansetron) 4m IV every 6hrs PRN vomiting (Give 4mg IV Push over 2 to 5 minutes)
	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Zofran (ondansetron) 4mg PO every 6hrs PRN vomiting
	<input type="checkbox"/> Tylenol (acetaminophen) 325mg two tablets PO q 6 hrs PRN temp > 100.4° or for headache not to exceed 3 grams in 24hr. If PO and PR are selected, give by the oral route unless patient is unable to take PO meds. If unable to take PO meds, administer suppository per rectum.
	<input type="checkbox"/> Tylenol (acetaminophen) 650 mg suppository per rectum q 6 hrs PRN temp > 100.4° or for headache not to exceed 3 grams in 24hr

Date

Time

Physician Signature

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TIA or Ischemic Stroke (Non r-tPA/Alteplase)
Phase 2**

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Pharmacy Mnemonic: ISNOTPA1

Date & Time	
1. Admit to _____	
2. CM: Stroke (Nursing order- do not delete)	
3. IV Access: <input type="checkbox"/> INT <input type="checkbox"/> Sodium Chloride 0.9% 1000ml at _____ ml/hr	
4. Vital Signs and Neuro Checks: For ICU patients; 15 min x4, 30 min x 2, 2 hrs x 24, then routine or more often as needed. For non ICU patients; Every 1 hr x 4 hrs then every 4 hours or more often as needed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Continue cardiac monitoring	
5. Diet: Keep NPO until nursing swallow screening completed	
6. Seizure Precautions	
7. Obtain post void residual	
8. Fall Precautions	
9. Activity: Strict bed rest until rehab assessment, then activity level as directed No lifting or pulling of shoulder on affected side, HOB elevated 30 degrees, Turn every 2 hours	
10. Aspiration Precautions: Keep head of bed elevated 30-45 degrees at all times	
11. Notify MD of Neurological changes	
12. <input type="checkbox"/> Initiate Glycemic Control Orders	
13. O2 via nasal cannula and face mask to keep SPO2 >94%	
14. Initiate and complete Pneumonia/Influenza Screen on admission or on transfer from ICU	
15. DVT Prophylaxis: Place SCD's until ambulatory	
16. LABS: (Do not repeat if done in ED)	
<input type="checkbox"/> CBC w/diff STAT once <input type="checkbox"/> Once daily x 3	
<input type="checkbox"/> PT/INR STAT once <input type="checkbox"/> Once daily x 3	
<input type="checkbox"/> Basic Metabolic Profile STAT once <input type="checkbox"/> Once daily x 3	
<input type="checkbox"/> Fasting Lipid Profile STAT once	
<input type="checkbox"/> Hgb A1C STAT once	
<input type="checkbox"/> UA STAT once <input type="checkbox"/> Urine C&S STAT once	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
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b. <input type="checkbox"/> Consult Speech Therapy – Stroke Patient - include cognitive screen	
c. <input type="checkbox"/> Consult Diabetic Nurse – (for diabetic patients only)	
d. <input type="checkbox"/> Consult Respiratory Therapy – Stroke Patient	
e. <input type="checkbox"/> Consult Social Services and Case Manager for discharge planning and Smoking Cessation	
f. <input type="checkbox"/> Consult Rehab Services: OT, PT, evaluate and treat - Stroke Patient OT: include depression screen	
g. <input type="checkbox"/> Patient is ineligible to receive rehab services because symptoms resolved.	
18. Physician Consults:	<input type="checkbox"/> Level 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Level 2

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TIA or Ischemic Stroke (Non r-tPA/Alteplase) Phase 2**

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Pharmacy Mnemonic: ISNOTPA2

19. Provide Stroke Education: Stroke Risk Factors, Stroke Warning Signs and Symptoms; FAST; How to Activate EMS:911; Need for Follow up after Discharge; Prescribed Medications; Smoking Cessation; Diet Instructions	
20. Diagnostics: *Indication needed to process order <input type="checkbox"/> Indicate risk factors	
<input type="checkbox"/> MRI Brain & MRA Brain and Neck without contrast: *Indication	
<input type="checkbox"/> MRI Brain without contrast, without MRA *Indication	
<input type="checkbox"/> CT of Brain without contrast for stroke, *Indication	
<input type="checkbox"/> CTA brain and neck for *Indication	
<input type="checkbox"/> Carotid Duplex Ultrasound for * Indication	
<input type="checkbox"/> Echocardiogram *Indication	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ *Indication	
21. Blood Pressure Management	
Systolic Blood Pressure greater than or equal to 220	1. Notify MD IMMEDIATELY
OR	2. Give Labetalol 10mg IV over 1-2 minutes every 4 hr PRN other (See comment)
Diastolic Blood Pressure greater than 120 on 2 or more consecutive BP checks at least 10 minutes apart	3. Continuous blood pressure monitoring
	4. HOLD LABETALOL FOR ACUTE ASTHMA OR CHF EXACERBATION OR FOR HEART RATE LESS THAN 50 OR FOR RHYTHM OF 2ND OR 3RD DEGREE HEART BLOCK.
Initial Diastolic Blood Pressure > 140	1. Notify MD immediately
	2. Begin Nicardipine 20 mg in 200ml sodium chloride IV infusion at _____. Increase by 2.5 mg/hr every 15 minutes for a MAP of _____. Max rate is 15 mg/hr
	3. Continuous Blood Pressure Monitoring
22. Medications: Do not to exceed 3 grams of acetaminophen in 24 hours	
<input type="checkbox"/> ANTIPLATELET THERAPY <input type="checkbox"/> Not indicated due to _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Aspirin 81 mg po daily	
<input type="checkbox"/> Aspirin 325 mg po daily	
<input type="checkbox"/> Plavix (clopidogrel) 75 mg po daily	
<input type="checkbox"/> Aggrenox (25mg aspirin/200mg dipyridamole) one cap po BID	
<input type="checkbox"/> Warfarin (coumadin) _____ mg po Daily <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Coumadin Education (if applicable)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Ativan (lorazepam) 1 mg IV 30min prior to imaging procedure for agitation. May repeat X _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> STATIN: (Consider STATIN for LDL \geq to 100mg/dL; For Diabetic patients LDL > 70)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Laxative of choice	
<input type="checkbox"/> Nausea/Vomiting: If IV and PO are selected, give by the oral route unless patient is unable to take PO meds. If unable to take PO meds, give by the IV route.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Zofran (ondansetron) 4mg IV every 6hrs PRN nausea/vomiting (Give over 2 to 5 minutes)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Zofran (ondansetron) 4mg PO every 6hrs PRN nausea/vomiting	
<input type="checkbox"/> Temp > 100.4° or Headache:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Tylenol (acetaminophen) 325mg two tablets PO q 6 hrs PRN. If PO and PR are selected, give by the oral route unless patient is unable to take PO meds. If unable to take PO meds, administer suppository per rectum.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Tylenol (acetaminophen) 650 mg suppository per rectum q 6 hrs PRN temp > 100.4° or headache	

Date / Time

Physician Signature

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Phase 1 Hyper-Acute Stroke Pharmacy Mnemonic: I**STROKE**1

Date / Time	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Vital Signs/Neuro checks every 15 min x 4, every 30 min x 2, then every 2 hrs x 24 hrs then routine. More often as needed. Notify MD of any Neurological changes. <i>This vital sign order must be followed for 24 hours after its initiation. This order supersedes any other vital sign order placed before this order has been followed and completed.</i> Oxygen 2L Nasal Cannula or mask to keep O₂ sat ≥ 94 % Continuous cardiac monitoring 12 lead EKG IV access: <input type="checkbox"/> INT <input type="checkbox"/> Sodium Chloride 0.9% 1000 ml at _____ ml/hr Nurse to complete NIH Stroke Scale immediately upon arrival and place in progress notes. Diet: NPO until swallow screen completed and passed Precautions: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Strict bedrest <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Keep head of bed elevated 30-45 degrees at all times. (a.) Use PULSARA app to activate team <input type="checkbox"/> Insert foley catheter for strict I/O prior to r (PA CM: Stroke Patient (Nursing order-do not delete) LABS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> CBC w/diff STAT once <input type="checkbox"/> Blood Alcohol once STAT <input type="checkbox"/> Accucheck glucose STAT once <input type="checkbox"/> Cardiac marker (troponin) once STAT <input type="checkbox"/> CMP STAT once <input type="checkbox"/> Serum Pregnancy Test STAT once (from menarche to menopause unless history of BTL or hysterectomy) <input type="checkbox"/> PT/INR STAT once <input type="checkbox"/> Urine Drug Screen once STAT <input type="checkbox"/> PTT STAT once <input type="checkbox"/> UA once STAT Portable chest x-ray Indication: <input type="checkbox"/> Initiate Glycemic Control protocol 15. DIAGNOSTICS: CT Head without contrast Stroke Protocol STAT once Indication: Sudden onset of: <input type="checkbox"/> Dizziness <input type="checkbox"/> Weakness <input type="checkbox"/> Confusion <input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty Speaking <input type="checkbox"/> Visual Disturbance <input type="checkbox"/> Severe Headache <input type="checkbox"/> Numbness <input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty walking 16. Blood Pressure Management: Systolic Blood Pressure ≥ 220 OR Diastolic Blood Pressure > 120 on 2 or more consecutive BP checks at least 10 minutes apart 1. Notify MD IMMEDIATELY 2. Give Labetalol 10mg IV over 1-2 minutes every 4 hr PRN other (see comments) 3. Continuous blood pressure monitoring 4. HOLD LABETALOL FOR ACUTE ASTHMA OR CHF EXACERBATION OR FOR HEART RATE LESS THAN 50 OR FOR RHYTHM OF 2ND OR 3RD DEGREE HEART BLOCK. Initial Diastolic Blood Pressure > 140 1. Notify MD immediately 2. Begin Nicardipine 20 mg in 200ml sodium chloride IV infusion at _____. Increase by 2.5 mg/hr every 15 minutes for a MAP of _____. Max rate is 15 mg/hr. 3. Continuous Blood Pressure Monitoring
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CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	INITIAL SCORE	HANDOFF #1	HANDOFF #2	24 HOUR
LOC	0=alert 1=drowsy 2=stuporous 3=coma				
LOC-Questions *month *age	0=answers both correctly 1=answers one correctly 2=both incorrect				
LOC-Commands *open / close eyes *squeeze / let go	0=obeys both correctly 1=obeys one correctly 2=both incorrect				
Best Gaze- Horizontal eye movement	0=normal 1=partial gaze palsy 2=forced deviation				
Visual Field- Finger count / moving fingers	0=no visual loss 1=partial hemianopia 2=complete hemianopia 3=bilateral hemianopia				
Facial Palsy *show teeth *raise eyebrows	0=normal 1=minor 2=partial 3=complete				
Motor- elevate arm to 90 degrees *hold 10 seconds RIGHT arm	0=no drift 1=drift 2=can't resist gravity 3=no effort against gravity 4=no movement				
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Sensory	0=normal 1=partial loss 2=severe loss				
Language *describe picture *name objects *read sentences	0=normal 1=mild to mod aphasia 2=severe aphasia 3=mute				
Dysarthria *read or repeat word list	0=normal 1=mild to moderate dysarthria 2=near unintelligible N=intubated				
Extinction / Inattention	0=no neglect 1=partial neglect 2=complete neglect				
TOTAL SCORE					
Nurse Signature / Date / Time:					
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You know how.
Down to earth.
I got home from work.
Near the table in the dining room.
They heard him speak on the radio last night.



MAMA
TIP – TOP
FIFTY – FIFTY
THANKS
HUCKLEBERRY
BASEBALL PLAYER

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Stroke Orders for Pt Outside of IV TPA Window Includes Wake-Up Stroke and Unknown Last Known Well

Date / Time		
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	1. Vital Signs/Neuro checks every 1 hour x 4 hours or more often as needed. Notify MD of any Neurological changes.	
	2. Oxygen 2L Nasal Cannula or mask to keep O ₂ sat > 94 %	
	3. Continuous cardiac monitoring	
	4. 12 lead EKG	
	5. IV access: <input type="checkbox"/> INT <input type="checkbox"/> Sodium Chloride 0.9% 1000 ml at _____ ml/hr	
	6. Nurse to complete NIH Stroke Scale immediately upon arrival and place in progress notes.	
	7. Diet: Keep NPO until nursing swallow screening completed and passed	
	8. Precautions: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Strict bedrest <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Keep head of bed elevated 30-45 degrees at all times.	
	9. Use PULSARA app to activate team. Nurse Practitioner to contact interventionalist.	
	10. CM: Stroke Patient (Nursing order-do not delete)	
	11. LABS:	
	<input type="checkbox"/> CBC w/diff STAT once	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Blood Alcohol once STAT	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Accucheck glucose STAT once	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Cardiac marker (troponin) once STAT	
	<input type="checkbox"/> CMP STAT once	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Serum Pregnancy Test STAT once (from m enarche to menopause unless history of BTL or hysterectomy)	
	<input type="checkbox"/> PT/INR STAT once	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Urine Drug Screen once STAT	
	<input type="checkbox"/> PTT STAT once	
	<input type="checkbox"/> UA once STAT	
	12. Portable chest x-ray Indication: _____	
	14. <input type="checkbox"/> Initiate Glycemic Control protocol	
	15. DIAGNOSTICS: ED staff to transport patient to Radiology. CT Stroke Protocol STAT. <input type="checkbox"/> MRI diffusion / FLAIR/ T1 Indication: Sudden onset of: <input type="checkbox"/> Dizziness <input type="checkbox"/> Weakness <input type="checkbox"/> Confusion <input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty Speaking <input type="checkbox"/> Visual Disturbance <input type="checkbox"/> Severe Headache <input type="checkbox"/> Numbness <input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty walking	
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		3. Continuous Blood Pressure Monitoring
	Based on Findings:	Intervention Indicated:
	No Intervention Indicated:	Prepare patient for procedure
	Return patient to ED for routine care	Transfer patient care to IR team
		Obtain consent
		IR Physician to call intensivist/hospitalist to transfer care for admission

Date Time Physician Signature

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You know how.
Down to earth.
I got home from work.
Near the table in the dining room.
They heard him speak on the radio last night.



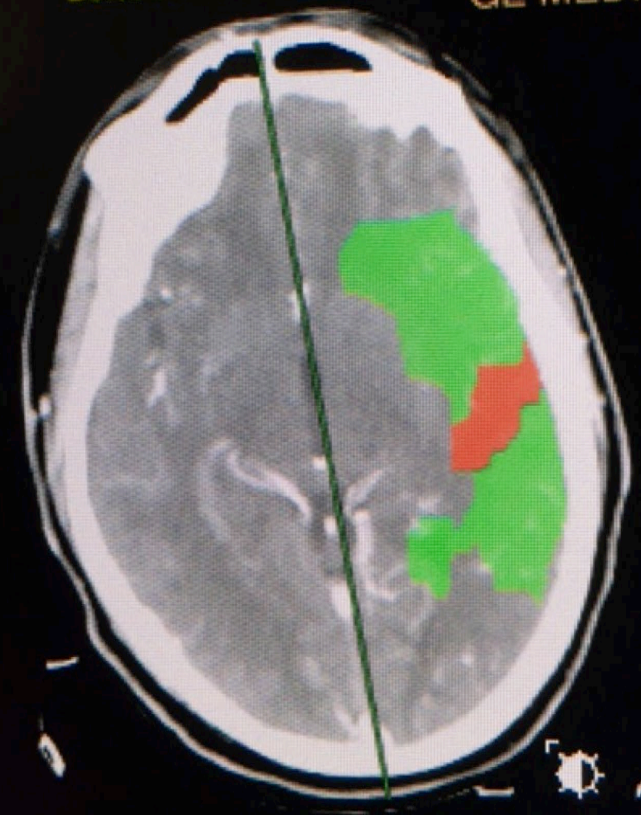
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CASE STUDIES

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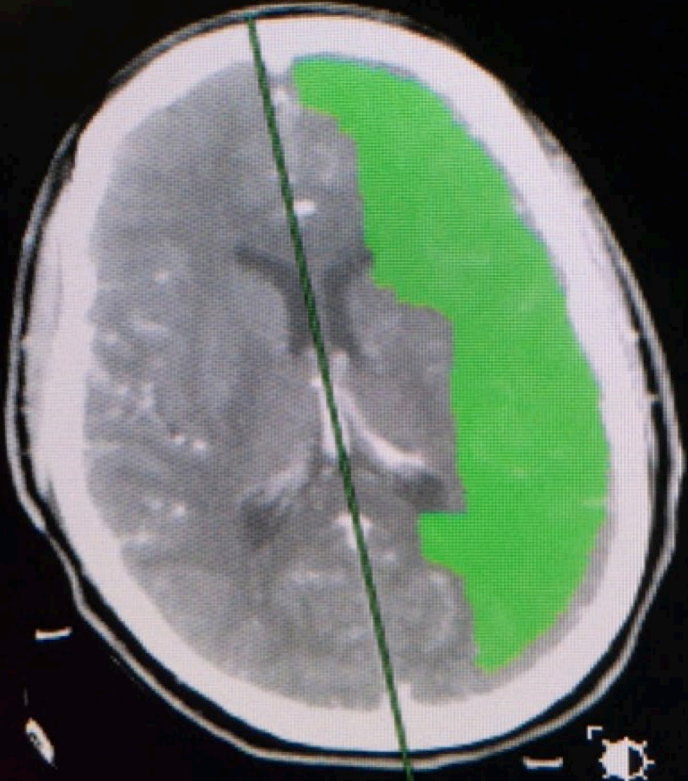
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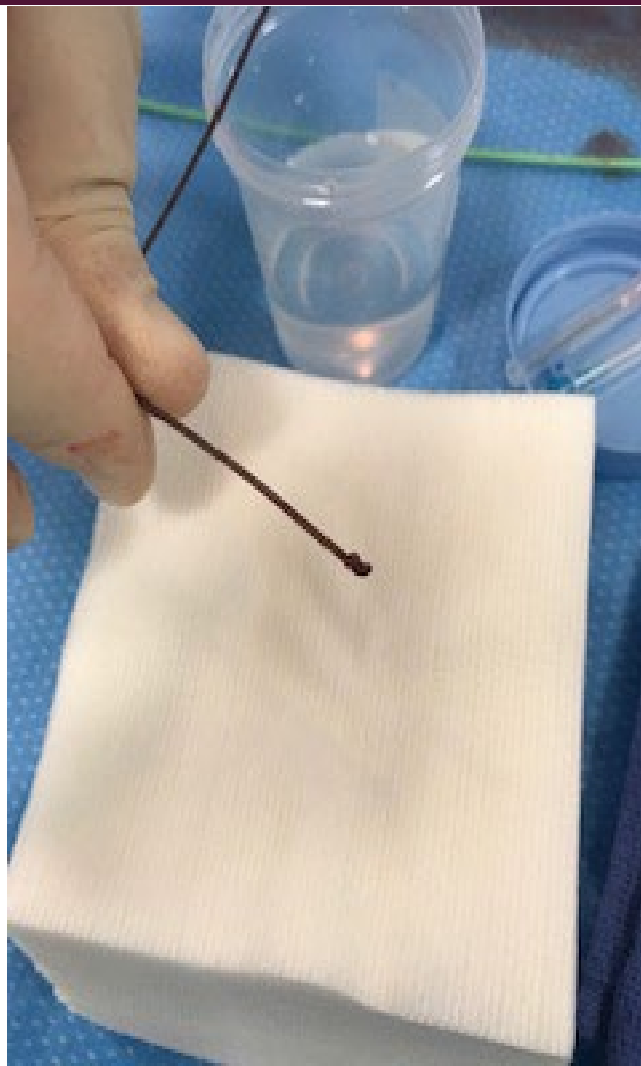
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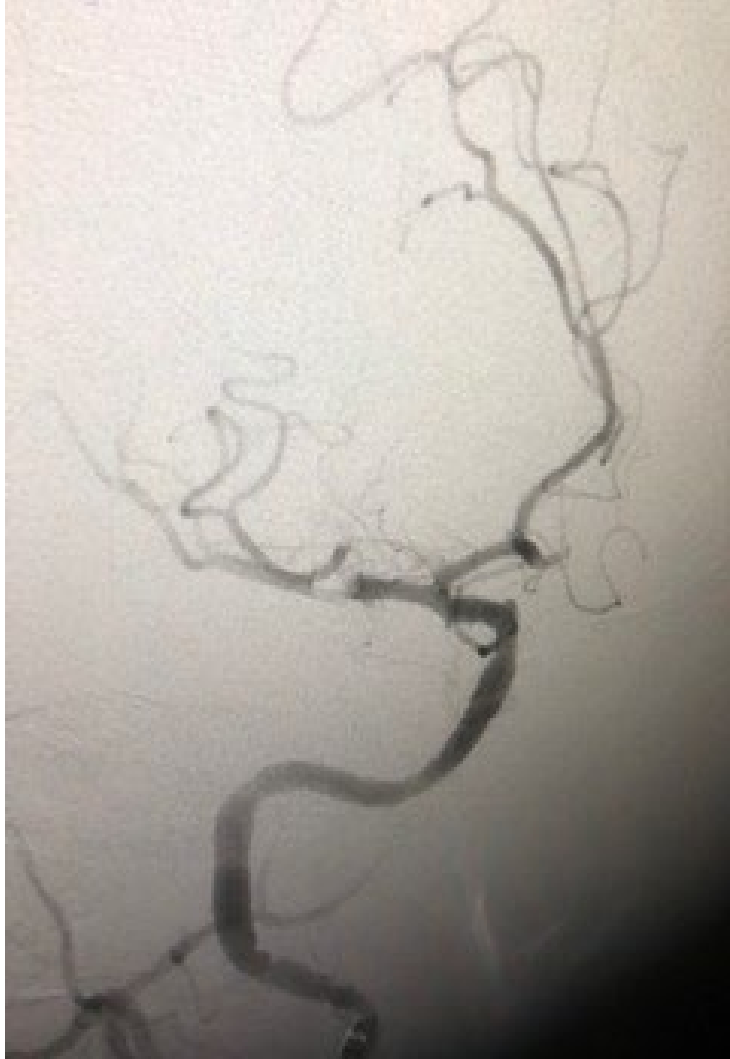
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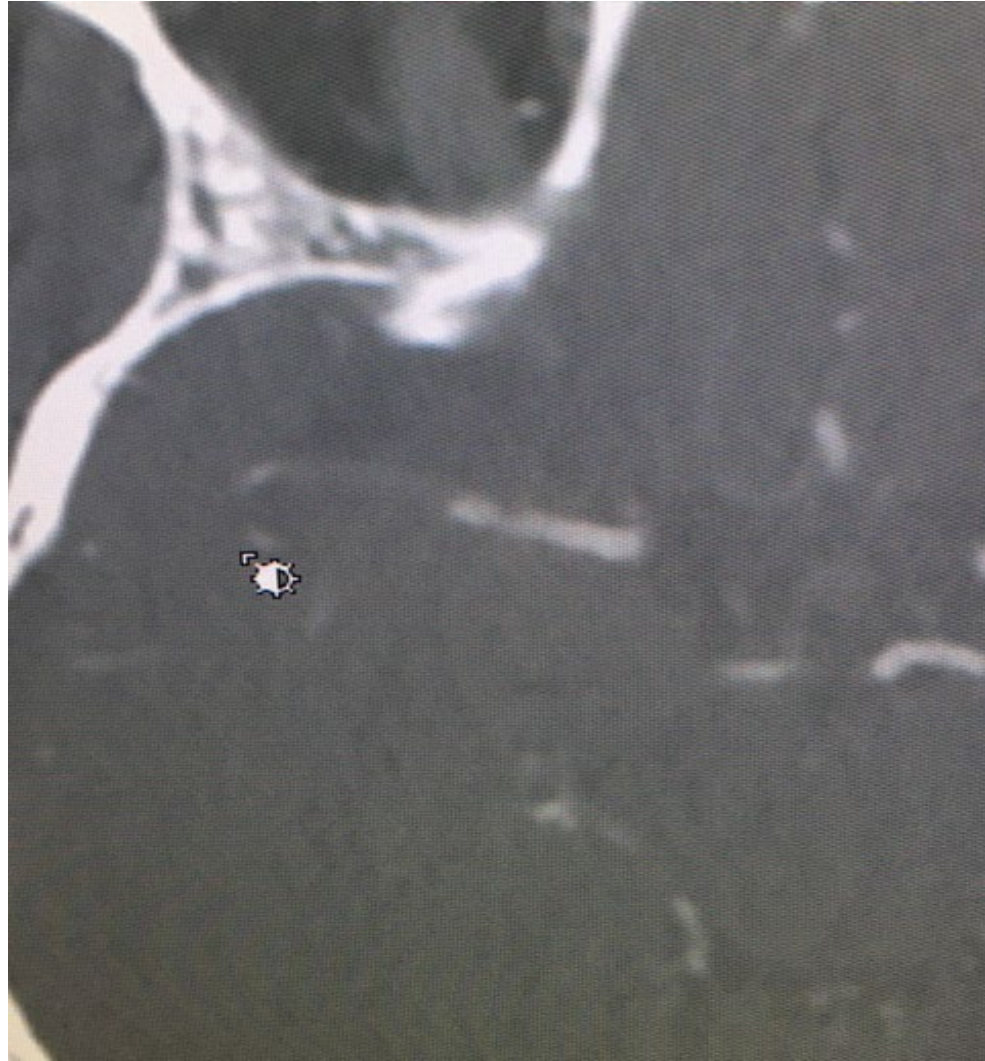
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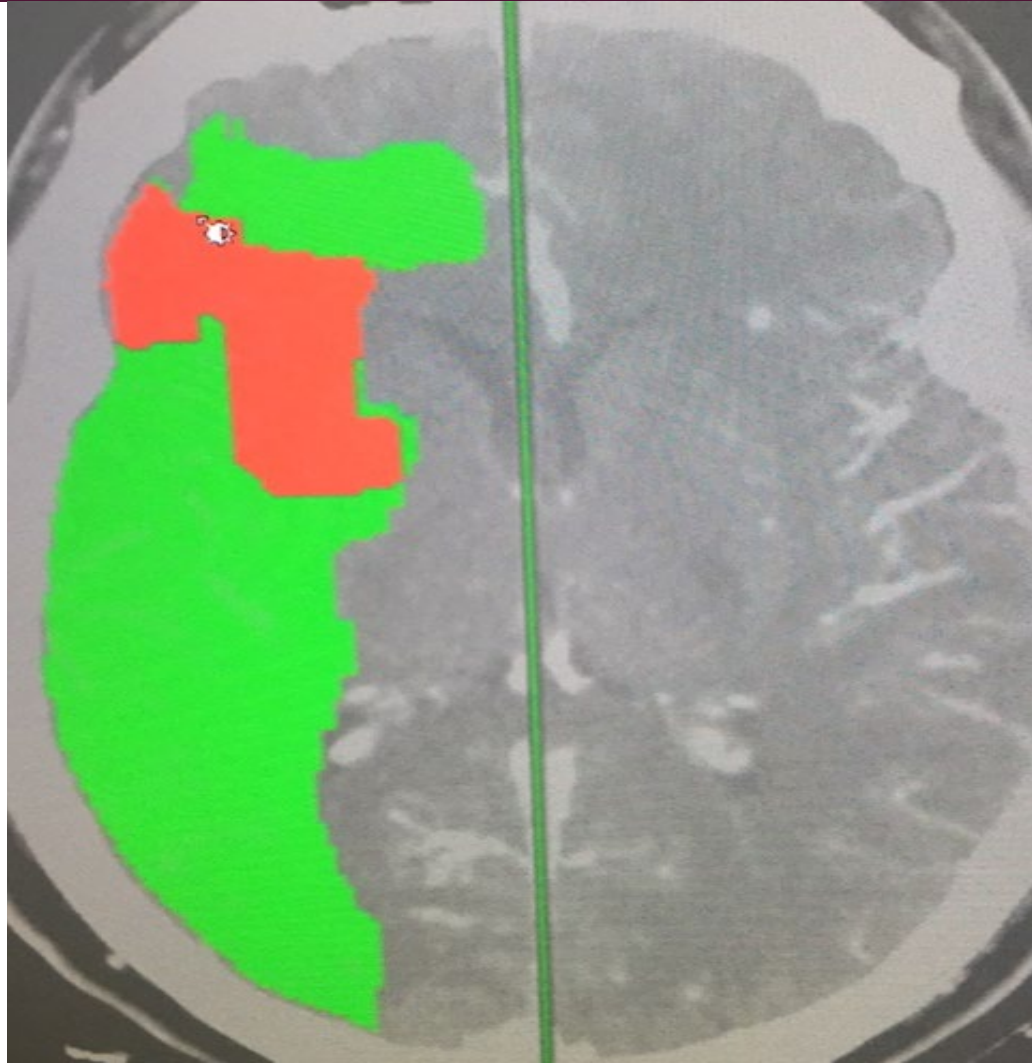




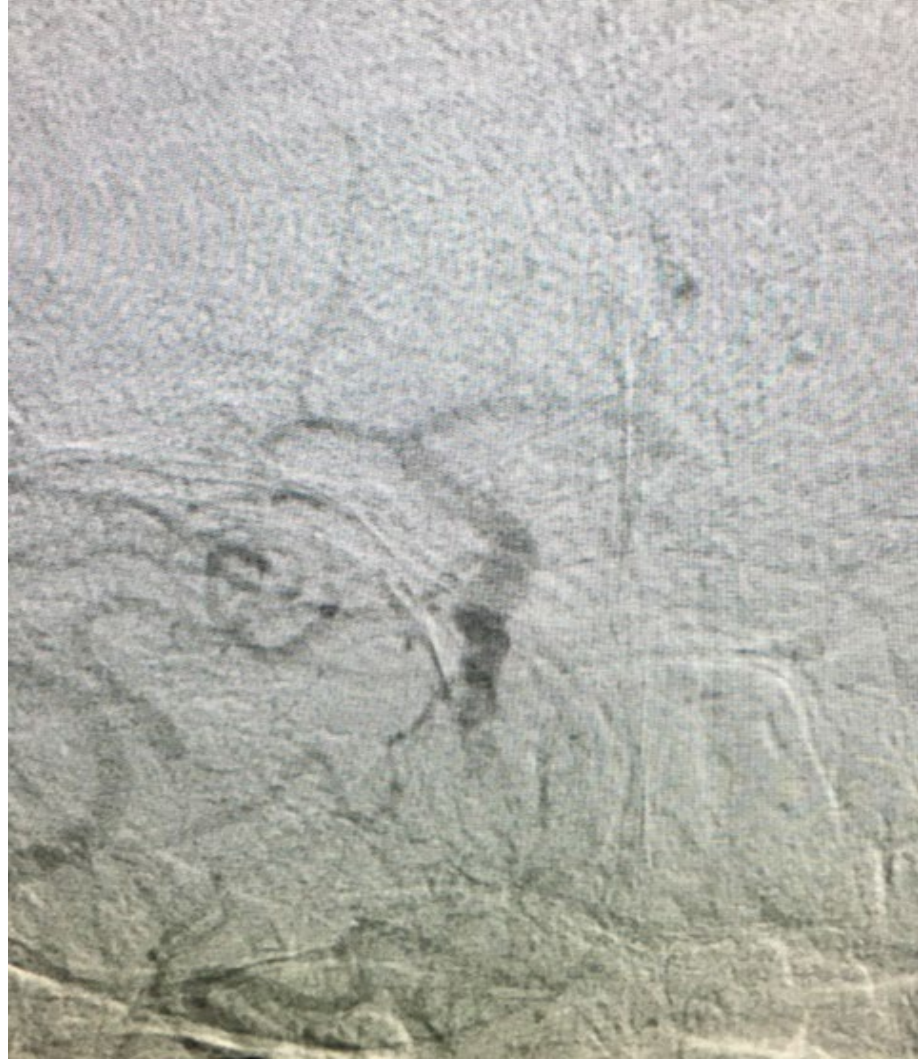












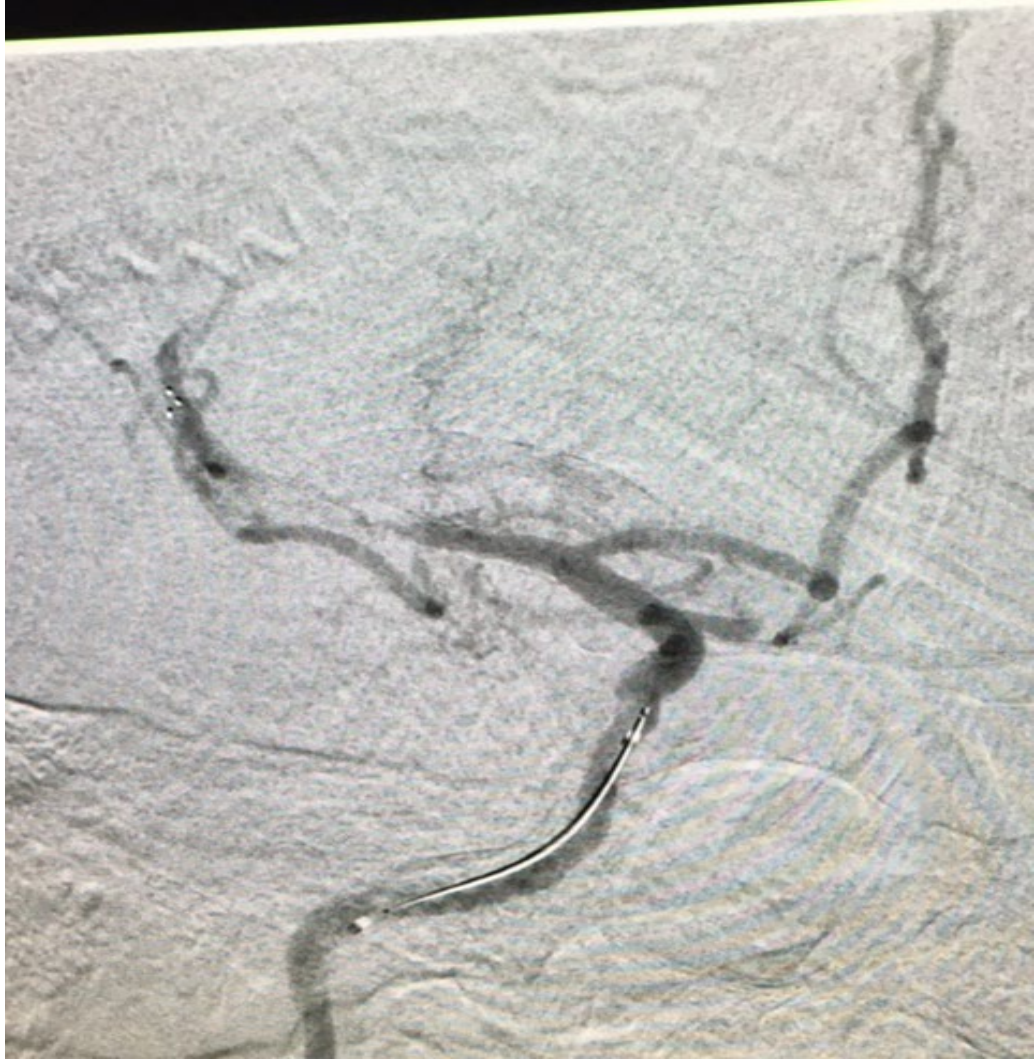




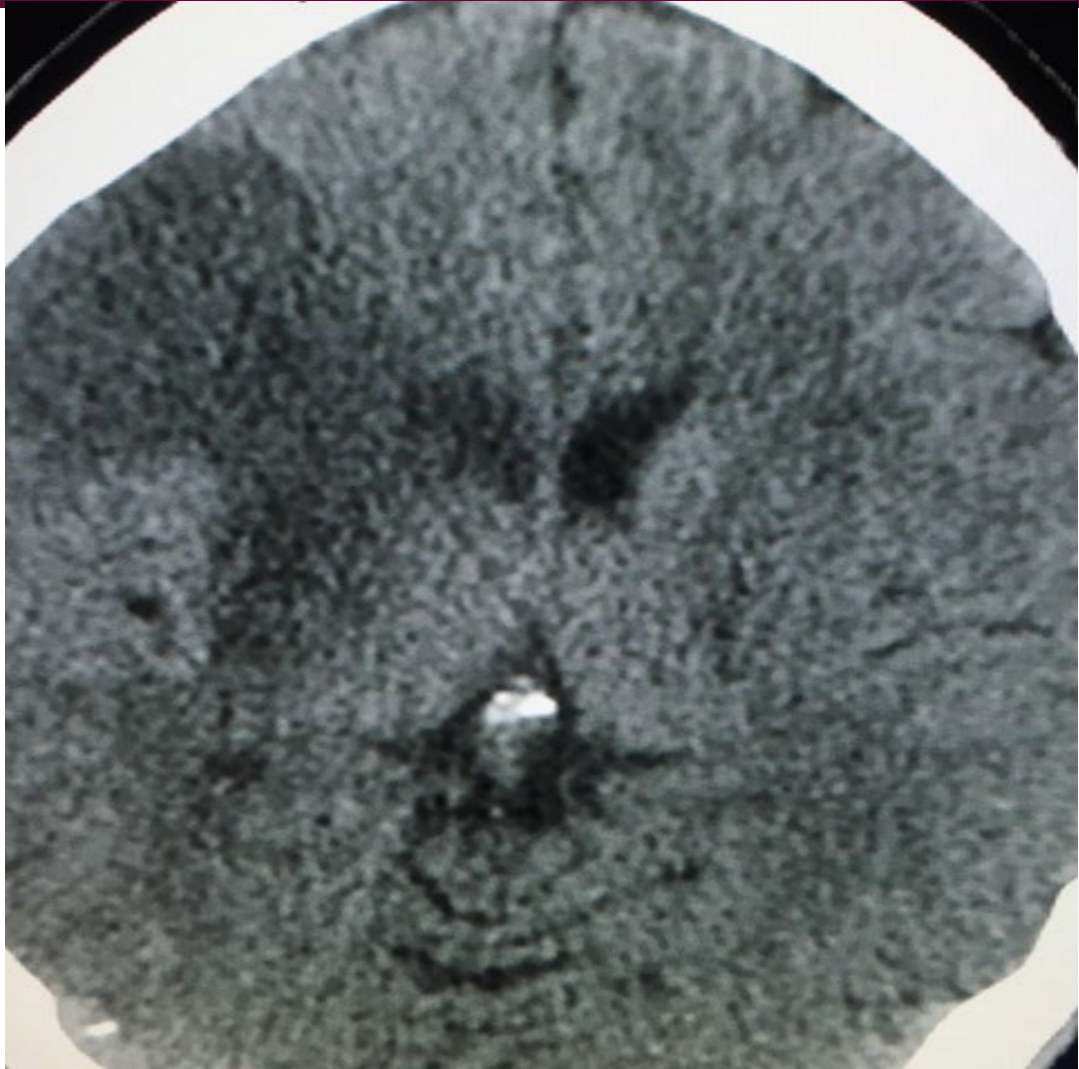


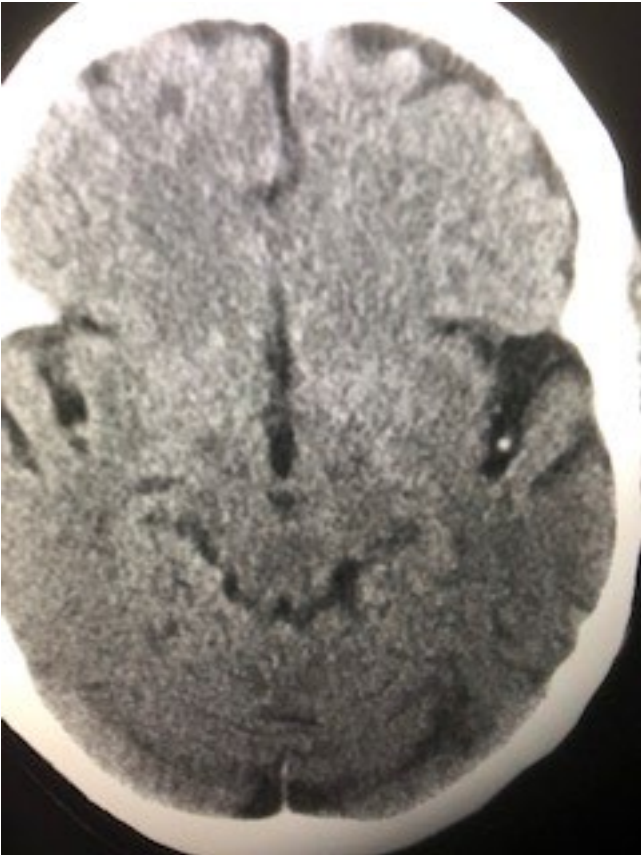


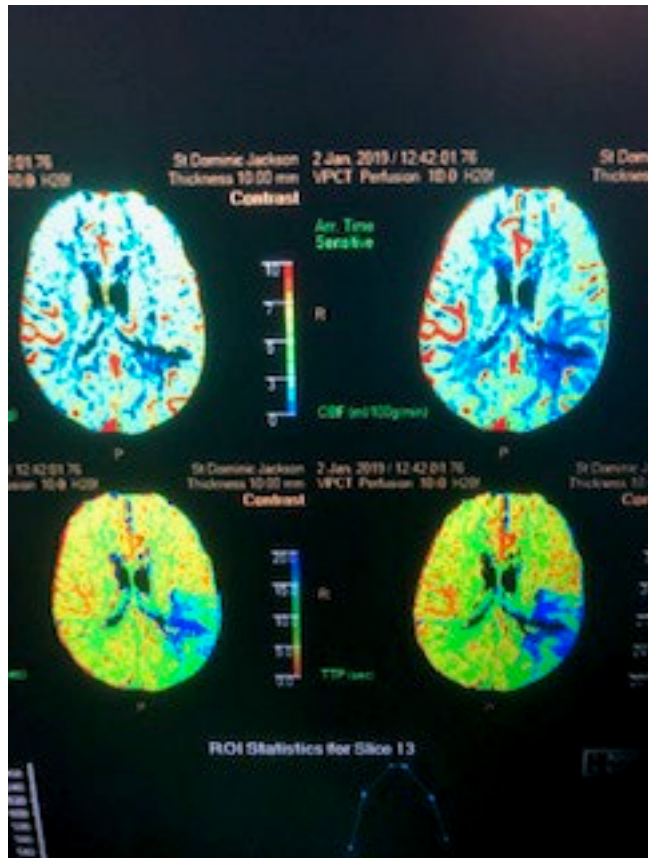














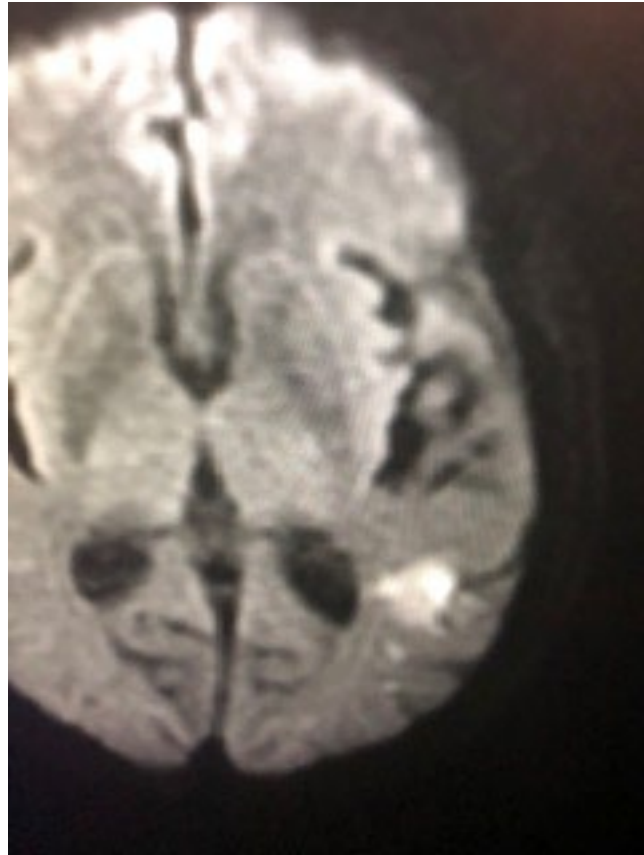




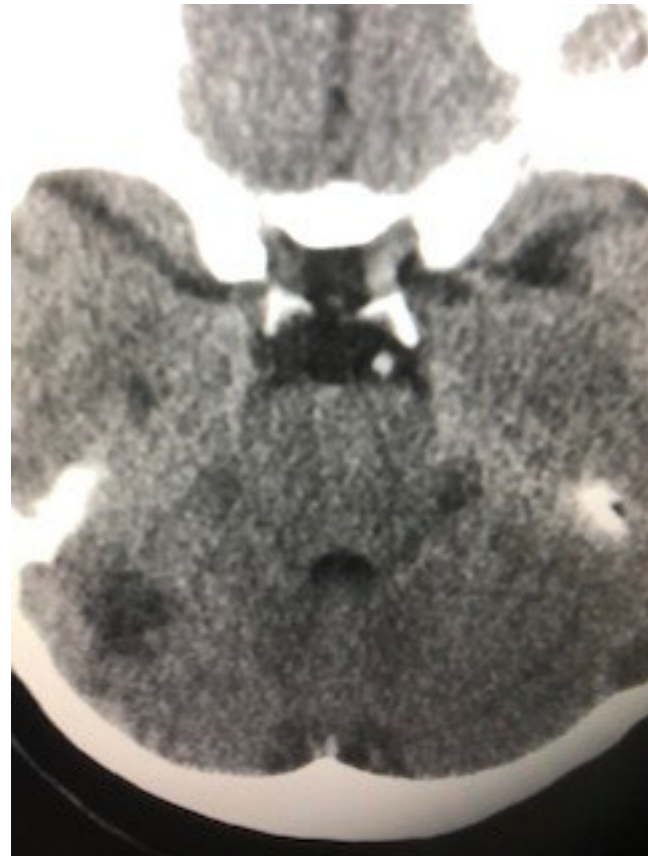


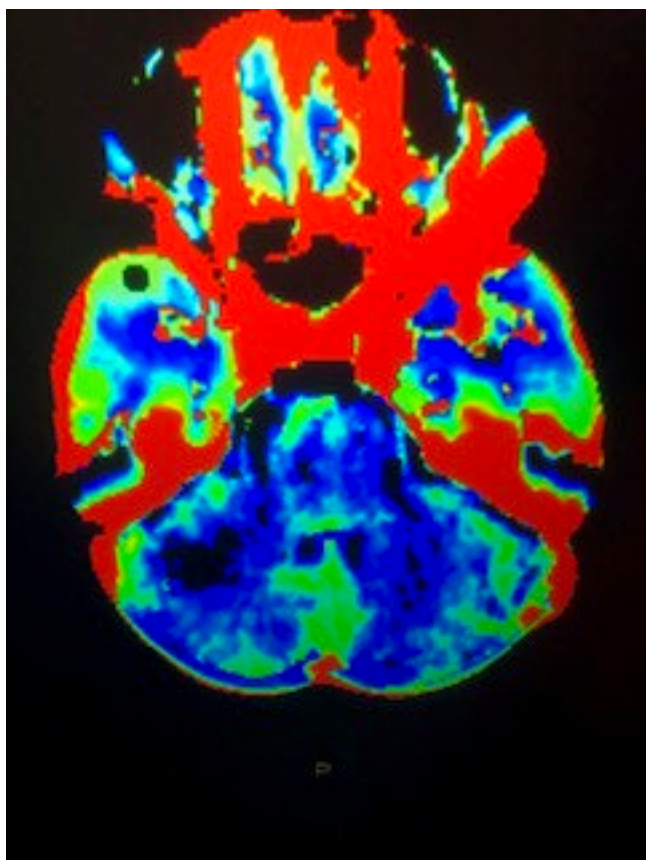


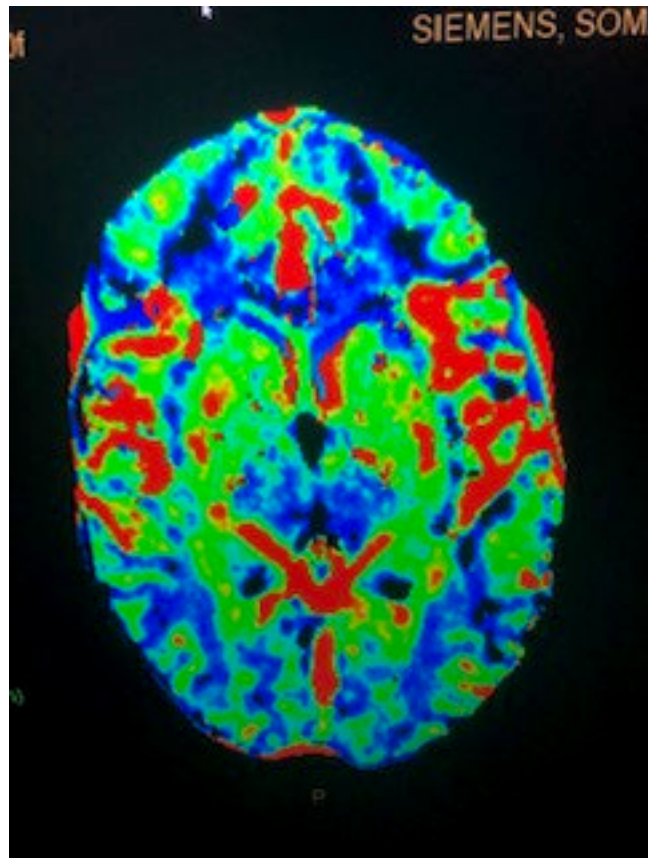


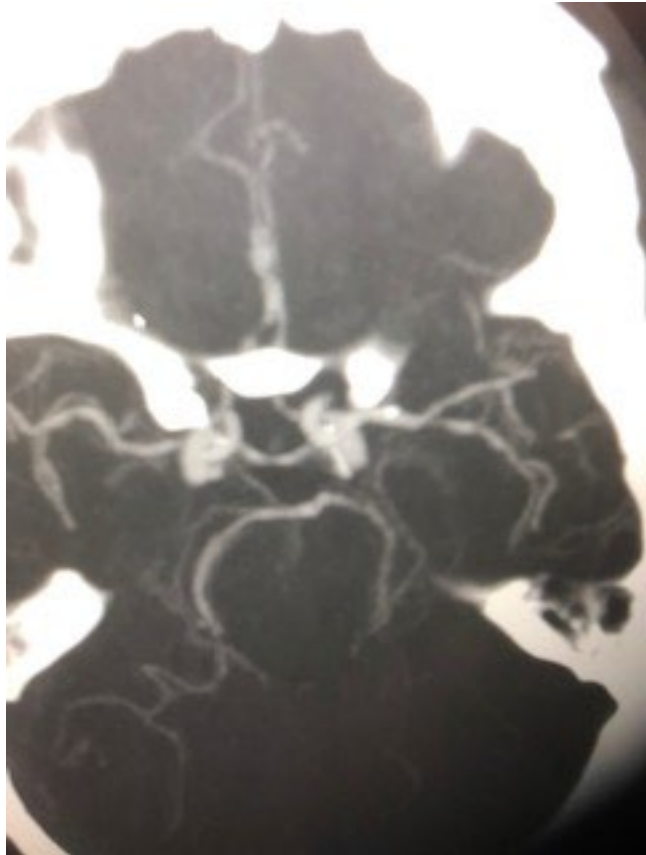
















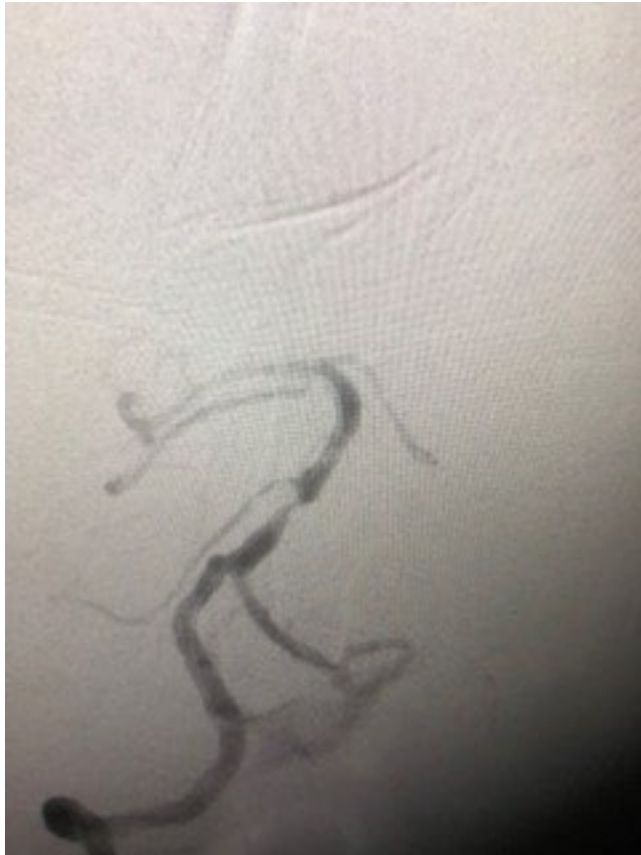


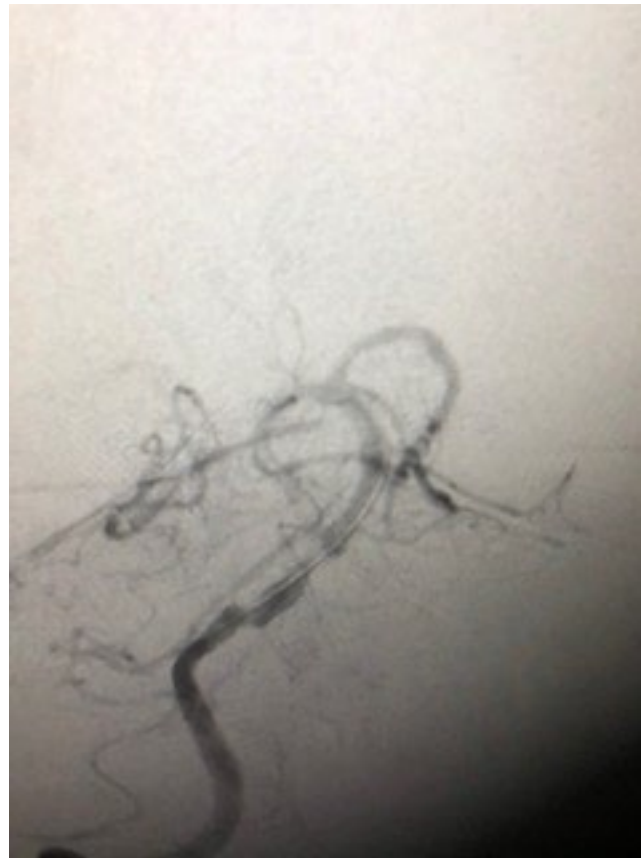




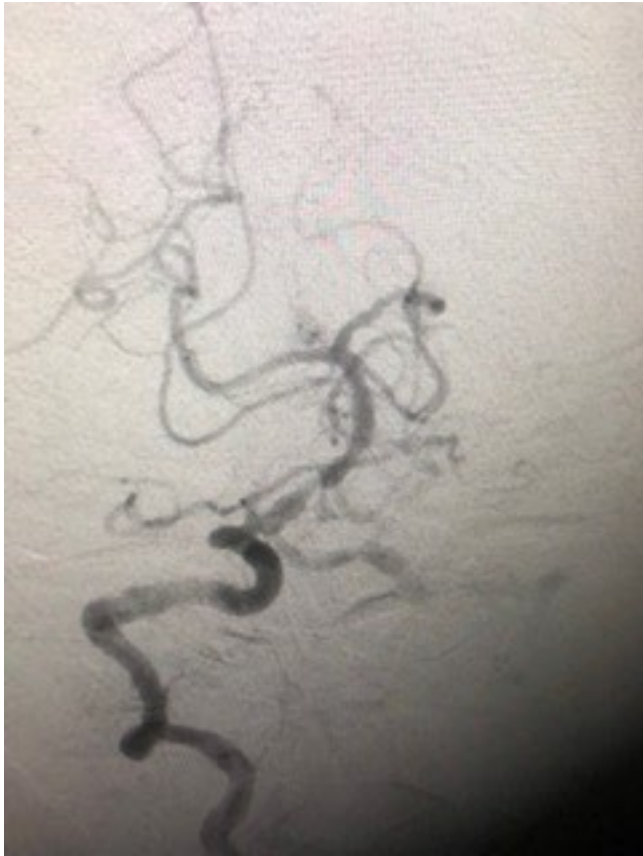


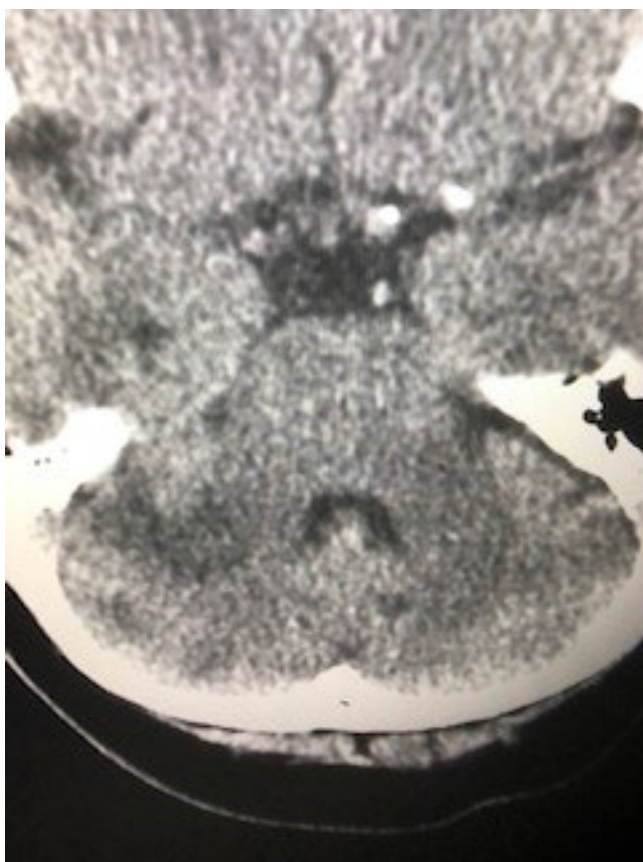


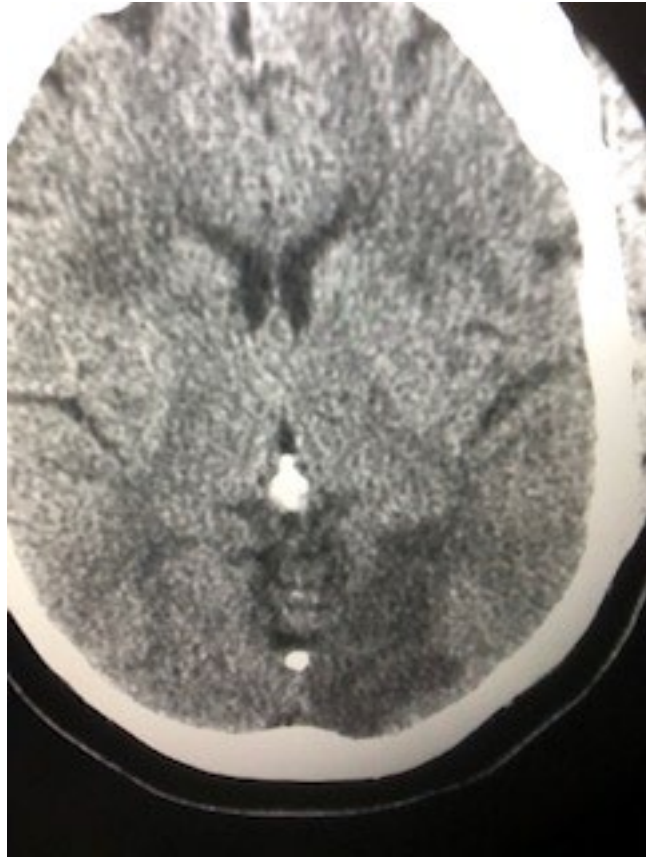














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What about beyond 6 hours?

DAWN Study published 2018 addressed that question.

DAWN

206 patients were studied. Patients had occlusion of intracranial internal carotid artery or proximal middle cerebral artery. Last know well was 6-24 hours. Patients had mismatch between the severity of clinical deficit and infarct volume. Patients randomly assigned to thrombectomy plus standard care or standard care. Endpoint mRS at 90 days.

DAWN

The results again were astonishing. The rate of functional independence was 49% thrombectomy group vs. 13% controlled. (Adjusted difference 2, 95% credible interval 1.1 to 3)

No difference in hemorrhage or mortality.

RECENT ENDOVASCULAR TRIALS REVIEW

- In 2015 the HERMES meta-analysis of the 2010-2014 Endovascular acute ischemic trials was published. These studies powerfully concluded Endovascular treatment was superior to standard treatment up to 12 hours after symptoms onset. Dramatic improvement of MRS at 90 days.
- In 2018 DAWN trial proved the improvement extended to 24 hours.
- These studies were of anterior circulation strokes with NIHSS>6 and CT ASPECTS >6. DAWN study also included CT perfusion data.

NEW TRIALS

Large Ischaemic Core Strokes

A prespecified secondary analysis of the SELECT study reviewed ASPECTS <5 and core of >50 cm³ on CT perfusion. 31% of patients in EVT group achieved independence at 90 days vs 14% of medical treated group.

More studies TESLA (aspects 2-5 within 24 hours) and TENSION (aspects 3-5 within 12 hours), SELECT 2 (aspects 3-5, core >50cm³) and others have confirmed this data.



Posterior Circulation

Initial trial BASICS revealed slightly favorable outcomes of EVT vs medical management. The BAOICHE and ATTENTION trials did reveal substantial benefit with BAOICHE trial stopped due to interval analysis strongly favoring EVT.

EVT data at 90 days was MRS 0-3 46% and mortality 37%. Bad disease.



Mild stroke with Proximal Occlusion

LVO but mild NIHSS of 0-5

No randomized data. Outcomes observational appear to be similar in medical and EVT groups.



TANDEM LESIONS

No randomized study.

Newer data from EVT studies shows the use of extracranial stenting (with need of antiplatelets) is associated with better reperfusion without excess risk of sICH mortality when compared to original HERMES data.



Distal Medium-Vessel Occlusion

Meta-analysis of HERMES data confirms proximal M2 segment occlusions benefit from EVT.

No randomized data for anterior cerebral, M3, PCA.

QUESTION

What is the time frame for IR Stroke Treatment?

ANSWER

- 4 Hours
- 8 Hours
- 24 Hours

CORRECT ANSWER

4 Hours

8 Hours

24 Hours