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Patient is a 31 year old pregnant woman. Patient presents to family Medicine clinic, complaining of generalized mid-thoracic and upper cervical pain. Patient reports no recent falls or trauma. However, she is four months pregnant and believes that the additional pregnancy weight is pulling her upper thoracic spine and shoulders down. When questioned about her pain, the patient reports that by the third month of her pregnancy, she started to notice the achy, sore pain when she would be sitting at her desk at work. The patient does not believe any activities make the pain worse, but sitting upright in her desk chair at home provides some relief. In addition, she is fearful of using ibuprofen because of the effects it may have on her unborn child, so she uses a heating pack at night to decrease her symptoms.

The patient was questioned further about the nature of her work and workspace. Currently, the patient is the marketing director of a large business. She works long, stressful hours at her desk. The patient describes how her chair does not accommodate her height well, so often she finds herself leaning forward a lot throughout the day in order to get close enough to the monitor and rest her feet on the ground. Recently, the patient has been increasingly stressed at work because she is behind schedule with multiple upcoming project deadlines. The therapist asks the patient if she has noticed any other changes lately that could be increasing the stress. The patient reports that in the past few weeks, she has also started to experience severe throbbing headaches on the right side of her forehead and above the ear. Soon after the headache begins, she finds that she becomes very nauseous and occasionally gets dizzy. When asked about the nature of the dizziness, the patient reports that it lasts only as long as the headache, and does not increase with changes in position. The patient believes that her pregnancy has been causing the nausea, but she is concerned with the headaches because they are often so strong and painful that she cannot get any work done. When questioned further, the patient goes on to describe how the sunlight from her large window and staring at her screen makes the headache much worse, and sometimes even causes some ringing in her ears. In addition, the patient believes the glare on her computer may be the cause of her headache because she starts to see bright spots on the screen prior to the onset of the headache. Often, the pain is so extreme that she must leave work early to go home and rest. Normally, after sleeping an hour or two, the pain subsides. The patient is distressed because the prolonged back and neck pain, with the addition of the severe headaches have prevented her from fully participating in work and social activities.

- PMH=negative
- DH=negative
- HH=negative
- PSH=negative

# epidemiology

- 90 percent of headaches are primary
- Episodic tension type headache is the most frequent headache in studies
- Migraine is the most frequent diagnosis in patients presenting to primary care physicians
- Cluster headache remains an uncommon diagnosis because of its overall low prevalence (less than 1 percent)

# migraine

- It is a disorder of recurrent attacks. Its headache is often but not always unilateral
- Tends to have throbbing or pulsatile quality
- Accompanying features like nausea , vomiting ,phonophobia ,photophobia or osmophobia during attacks

TABLE 422-3 Simplified Diagnostic Criteria for Migraine				
REPEATED ATTACKS OF HEADACHE LASTING 4–72 h IN PATIENTS WITH A NORMAL PHYSICAL EXAMINATION, NO OTHER REASONABLE CAUSE FOR THE HEADACHE, AND:				
AT LEAST 2 OF THE FOLLOWING FEATURES:	PLUS AT LEAST 1 OF THE FOLLOWING FEATURES:			
Unilateral pain	Nausea/vomiting			
Throbbing pain	Photophobia and phonophobia			
Aggravation by movement				
Moderate or severe intensity				

Source Adapted from the International Headache Society Classification

#### Diagnostic criteria for migraine

A. At least five attacks fulfilling criteria B through D	
B. Headache attacks lasting 4 to 72 hours (untreated or unsuccessfully treated)	
C. Headache has at least two of the following characteristics:	
Unilateral location	
Pulsating quality	
Moderate or severe pain intensity	
Aggravation by or causing avoidance of routine physical activity (eg, walking or climbing stairs)	
D. During headache at least one of the following:	
Nausea, vomiting, or both	
Photophobia and phonophobia	
E. Not better accounted for by another ICHD-3 diagnosis	
Migraine with aura	
A. At least two attacks fulfilling criteria B and C	
B. One or more of the following fully reversible aura symptoms:	
Visual	
Sensory	
Speech and/or language	
Motor	
Brainstem	
Retinal	
C. At least three of the following six characteristics:	
At least one aura symptom spreads gradually over $\geq$ 5 minutes	
Two or more symptoms occur in succession	
Each individual aura symptom lasts 5 to 60 minutes	
At least one aura symptom is unilateral	
At least one aura symptom is positive*	
The aura is accompanied or followed within 60 minutes by headache	
D. Not better accounted for by another ICHD-3 diagnosis	
Features of migraine in children and adolescents	
Attacks may last 2 to 72 hours	
Headache is more often bilateral than in adults; an adult pattern of unilateral pain usually emerges in late adolescence o	rear
Photophobia and phonophobia may be inferred by behavior in young children	

\* Scintillations and pins and needles are examples of positive symptoms.

The evidence for untreated durations of less than 2 hours in children has not been substantiated.

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#### Irancell LTE

### Headache triggers

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#### Headache triggers

Diet	Stress		
Alcohol	Let-down periods		
Chocolate	Times of intense activity		
Aged cheeses	Loss or change (death, separation, divorce, job change)		
Monosodium glutamate			
Aspartame	Moving		
Caffeine	Crisis		
Nuts	Changes of environment or habits		
Nitrites, nitrates	Weather		
Hormones	Travel (crossing time zones) Seasons Altitude		
Menses			
Ovulation			
Hormone replacement	Schedule changes		
(progesterone)	Sleeping patterns		
Sensory stimuli	Dieting		
Strong light	Skipping meals		
Flickering lights			
Odors	Irregular physical activity		
Sounds, noise			

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# Clinical features

- Migraine prodrome The prodrome occurs in up to 77 percent of migraines and consists of affective or vegetative symptoms that appear 24 to 48 hours prior to the onset of headache .Frequently reported prodromal symptoms include increased yawning, euphoria, depression, irritability, food cravings, constipation, and neck stiffness.
- **Migraine aura** About 25 percent of people with migraines experience one or more focal neurologic symptoms called aura
- typical migraine auras are characterized by gradual development, duration no longer than one hour, a mix of positive and negative features, and complete reversibility

## MIGRAINE SUBTYPES

• Migraine with brainstem aura:

is an uncommon form of migraine with aura wherein the primary signs and symptoms are referable to the brainstem without weakness. The auras consist of some combination of vertigo, dysarthria, tinnitus, diplopia, ataxia.

## Migraine subtypes

• Hemiplegic migraine:

The primary feature that separates hemiplegic migraine from other types of migraine with aura is the presence of motor weakness as a manifestation of aura in at least some attacks.

## Migraine subtypes

• Vestibular migraine:

Vestibular migraine is a term used to describe episodic vertigo in patients with a history of migraines or with other clinical features of migraine (photophobia, phonophobia, visual aura, etc)

## Migraine subtypes

• Chronic migraine:

Chronic migraine is defined as headache occurring 15 or more days a month for more than three months, which has the features of migraine headache on at least eight days a month

# Tension type

- The typical presentation of a TTH attack is that of a mild to moderate intensity, bilateral, nonthrobbing headache without other associated features. Descriptions of TTH pain are characteristically nondescript: "dull," "pressure," "head fullness", "head feels large," or, more descriptively, "like a tight cap", "band-like," or a "heavy weight on my head or shoulders."
- The pain in TTH may infrequently be unilateral or pulsating
- Stress and mental tension are reported to be the most common precipitants for TTH

# Diagnostic criteria

- require at least 10 episodes of headache, each lasting 30 minutes to seven days, which fulfill the following conditions :
- • At least two of the following:
- Bilateral location
- • Pressing or tightening (non-pulsating) quality
- • Mild or moderate intensity
- Not aggravated by routine physical activity such as walking or climbing stairs
- •Both of the following:
- No nausea or vomiting
- •No more than one of photophobia or phonophobia

# subtypes

- The infrequent episodic TTH subform is diagnosed if the headache episodes occur on <1 day per month on average (<12 days per year)
- The frequent episodic TTH subform is diagnosed if the headache episodes occur on 1 to 14 days per month on average (≥12 and <180 days per year).
- The ICHD-3 criteria for chronic TTH require headache lasting hours to days, or unremitting, occurring on ≥15 days per month on average for more than three months (≥180 days per year)

## cluster

- Cluster headache belongs to a group of idiopathic headache entities, the trigeminal autonomic cephalalgias ;all of which involve unilateral, often severe headache attacks and typical accompanying autonomic symptoms. Cluster headache is characterized by attacks of severe unilateral orbital, supraorbital, or temporal pain accompanied by autonomic phenomena. Unilateral autonomic symptoms are ipsilateral to the pain and may include ptosis, miosis, lacrimation, conjunctival injection, rhinorrhea, and nasal congestion. Attacks usually last 15 to 180 minutes.
- Cluster headache may sometimes be confused with a life-threatening headache, since the pain from a cluster headache can reach full intensity within minutes. However, cluster headache is transient, usually lasting less than one to two hours

#### Clinical features and treatment of the trigeminal autonomic cephalalgias

	Cluster headache	Paroxysmal hemicrania	SUNCT* and SUNA	Hemicrania continua	
Sex predominance	Male (4:1)	No (1:1)	Female (1.7:1)	Female (2:1)	
Pain					
Туре	Stabbing	Stabbing or throbbing	Stabbing or burning	Stabbing, throbbing, burning, or aching	
Severity	Excruciating	Excruciating	Severe to excruciating	Mild to severe	
Site	Orbital or temporal	Orbital or temporal	Orbital or temporal	Orbital, frontal, and/or temporal	
Typical attack frequency	1 every other day to 8 daily	5 to 40 daily	1 to 200 daily	Continuous (with exacerbations)	
Duration of attack	15 to 180 minutes	2 to 30 minutes	1 second to 10 minutes	Months to years (untreated)	
Autonomic features? A	Yes	Yes	Yes (conjunctival injection and lacrimation prominent with SUNCT)	Yes	
Restlessness and/or agitation?	Yes	Yes	Sometimes	Yes	
Associated migrainous features?	Yes	Yes	Rare	Frequent	
Triggers	Alcohol	Stress, exercise, alcohol	Tactile stimuli (eg, touching face, shaving, brushing toeth)	Alcohol	
Indomethacin responsive?	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Abortive treatment	Triptans (intravenous or nasal) Oxygen	None	Lidocaine (intravenous) for frequent and debilitating symptoms	None	
Prophylactic treatment	Verapamil Glucocorticoids Galcanezumab Lithium	Indomethacin Verapamii NSAIDs	Lamotrigine Oxcarbazepine Topiramate Gabapentin	Indomethacin	

SUNCT: short-lasting unilateral neuralgiform headache attacks with conjunctival injection and tearing; SUNA: short-lasting unilateral neuralgiform headache attacks with cranial autonomic symptoms; NSAIDs: nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs.

\* Both conjunctival injection and lacrimation are present.

¶ May have either conjunctival injection or lacrimation but not both.

A Cranial autonomic symptoms: conjunctival injection, lacrimation, nasal congestion or rhinorrhea, facial sweating, miosis and/or ptosis, palpebral edema; symptoms are ipsilateral to the headache.

In Migraine-like features may include associated nausea, vomiting, photophobia, or phonophobia.

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# Diagnosing criteria

- Diagnostic criteria for cluster headache, according to the International Classification of Headache Disorders 3rd edition (ICHD-3), require all of the following]:
- • At least five attacks
- Attacks characterized by severe or very severe unilateral orbital, supraorbital and/or temporal pain lasting 15 to 180 minutes when untreated; during
  part (but less than half) of the time-course of cluster headache, attacks may be less severe and/or of shorter or longer duration
- • Either or both of the following:
- •At least one of the following symptoms or signs ipsilateral to the headache:
- -Conjunctival injection and/or lacrimation
- -Nasal congestion and/or rhinorrhea
- -Eyelid edema
- -Forehead and facial sweating
- -Forehead and facial flushing
- -Sensation of fullness in the ear
- -Miosis and/or ptosis
- A sense of restlessness or agitation
- • Attacks have a frequency between one every other day and eight per day for more than half of the time when the disorder is active
- • Not better accounted for by another ICHD-3 diagnosis

## Secondary headache

- Physicians who evaluate patients with headache should be alert to signs that suggest a serious underlying disorder
- **Danger signs** Paying attention to danger signs is important since headaches may be the presenting symptom of a space-occupying mass or vascular lesion, infection, metabolic disturbance, or a systemic problem. The following features in the history can serve as warning signs of possible serious underlying disease

# Danger signs

- The mnemonic SNNOOP10 is a reminder of the danger signs ("red flags") for the presence of serious underlying disorders that can cause acute or subacute headache:
- • Systemic symptoms including fever
- •Neoplasm history
- • Neurologic deficit (including decreased consciousness)
- • Onset is sudden abrupt onset
- • Older age (onset after age 50 years)
- • Pattern change or recent onset of new headache
- • Positional headache
- • Precipitated by sneezing, coughing, or exercise
- • Papilledema
- • Progressive headache and atypical presentations
- • Pregnancy or puerperium
- • Painful eye with autonomic features
- • Post-traumatic onset of headache
- • Pathology of the immune system such as HIV
- • Painkiller (analgesic) overuse (eg, medication overuse headache

# Indications for imaging studies

- Focal neurologic signs or symptoms
- Onset of headache with exertion, cough, or sexual activity
- Orbital bruit
- Onset of headache after age 40 years
- Recent significant change in the pattern, frequency, or severity of headaches
- Progressive worsening of headache despite appropriate therapy

 MRI is the preferred brain imaging modality for most patients because it is more sensitive than CT scan for detecting edema, vascular lesions, and other types of intracranial pathology, particularly in the posterior fossa. However, CT is more widely available and is therefore more useful in urgent or emergency care situations when there is concern for subarachnoid hemorrhage as the cause of thunderclap headache



## Headache emergencies

- •Sudden onset "thunderclap" headache Severe headache of sudden onset (ie, that reaches maximal intensity within a few seconds or less than one minute after the onset of pain) is known as thunderclap headache because its explosive and unexpected nature is likened to a "clap of thunder." Thunderclap headache requires urgent evaluation as such headaches may be harbingers of subarachnoid hemorrhage and other potentially ominous etiologies
- •Acute or subacute neck pain or headache with Horner syndrome and/or neurologic deficit – Cervical artery dissection is usually associated with local symptoms including neck pain or headache, and often results in ischemic stroke or transient ischemic attack. Horner syndrome is seen in approximately 39 percent of those with carotid and 13 percent of those with vertebral artery dissection
- Headache with suspected meningitis or encephalitis Fever, altered mental status, with or without nuchal rigidity may indicate central nervous system infection.

## Headache emergencies

- Headache with global or focal neurologic deficit or papilledema Headache is the primary symptom of increased ICP, which should be suspected when accompanied by bilateral papilledema, focal neurologic deficit, or repeated episodes of nausea and vomiting.
- Headache with orbital or periorbital symptoms Headache with visual impairment, periorbital pain, or ophthalmoplegia could indicate acute angle closure glaucoma, infection, inflammation, vascular congestion from a cavernous sinus thrombosis or draining arteriovenous malformation, or tumor involving the orbits.
- •Headache and possible carbon monoxide exposure Headache is a nonspecific symptom of carbon monoxide exposure; the intensity varies with the carbon monoxide level. The headache tends to be bilateral and mild at low levels of carbon monoxide, pulsating at levels of 20 to 30 percent, and severe with nausea, vomiting, and blurred vision at levels of 30 to 40 percent.





#### Etiologies of thunderclap headache

#### Most common causes of thunderclap headache:

Subarachnoid hemorrhage

Reversible cerebral vasoconstriction syndromes (RCVS)

#### Conditions that less commonly cause thunderclap headache:

Cerebral infection (eg, meningitis, acute complicated sinusitis)

Cerebral venous thrombosis

Cervical artery dissection

Spontaneous intracranial hypotension

Acute hypertensive crisis

Posterior reversible leukoencephalopathy syndrome (PRES)

Intracerebral hemorrhage

Ischemic stroke

#### Conditions that uncommonly or rarely cause thunderclap headache:

Pituitary apoplexy

Colloid cyst of the third ventricle

Aortic arch dissection

Aqueductal stenosis

Brain tumor

Giant cell arteritis

Pheochromocytoma

Pneumocephalus

Retroclival hematoma

Spinal epidural hematoma

Varicella zoster virus vasculopathy

Vogt-Koyanagi-Harada syndrome



Panel A shows a coronal section from the admission CT venogram, with a filling defect ('empty delta sign') seen in the superior sagittal sinus (black arrow). An axial section from the unenhanced CT scan performed approximately 6 hours later (Panel B) shows venous haemorrhage in the left frontal lobe (white arrow), with marked mass effect.



### Case 230: Pituitary Apoplexy (normal gland)

### Sagittal T1w pre

### **Coronal T1w post**

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## Other causes

- Giant cell (temporal) arteritis (GCA) is a chronic vasculitis of large and medium sized vessels. The disease seldom occurs before age 50 years, and its incidence rises steadily thereafter. A new type of headache occurs in two-thirds of affected individuals. The head pain tends to be located over the temporal areas but can be frontal or occipital in location. The headaches may be mild or severe. Other common symptoms can include fever, fatigue, weight loss, jaw claudication, visual symptoms, particularly transient monocular visual loss and diplopia, and symptoms of polymyalgia rheumatica. Laboratory testing may reveal an elevated erythrocyte sedimentation rate and/or serum C-reactive protein, or thrombocytosis, but these are not specific.
- The diagnosis of GCA is based on histopathology or imaging exams. Histopathologic evidence of GCA is most often acquired by temporal artery biopsy. Color Doppler ultrasound (CDUS) of the head, as performed by experienced operators, is an alternative diagnostic procedure. CDUS can visualize temporal artery abnormalities (eg, mural edema as shown by the "halo sign" and "compression sign") characteristic of GCA. When the diagnosis of GCA is still suspected in a patient who has had a negative temporal artery biopsy and/or CDUS, the possibility of large vessel involvement can be evaluated by imaging the torso with CT/CTA, MRI/MRA, or positron emission tomography (PET)

### **Giant-Cell Arteritis**



#### Key Lab Finding: High ESR, often >100 Lab findings sometimes present:

- Anemia
- Thrombocytosis
- Transaminitis

#### Anorexia/Fatigue:

Feelings of illness will not be subtle. Symptoms will be significant and uncomfortable.

**Treatment:** Steroids have been the mainstay. 1mg/kg/day or 60mg prednisone. Very long taper. Higher doses in acute setting if eye involvement. PMR alone treatment is lower dose: 15-20mg/day prednisone start.

Steroid sparing: Mixed data on agents such as methotrexate. New IL-6 inhibitor **Tocilizumab** is effective in reducing total steroid requirements.

### GIANT CELL (TEMPORAL) ARTERITIS

Giant cell arteritis, an autoimmune disease of unknown cause, presents with throbbing headache in patients over 60 often with general malaise. The involved vessel, usually the superficial temporal artery, may be tender, thickened, and but nonpulsatile.

# Neurological symptoms: strokes, hearing loss, myelopathy and neuropathy.

Jaw claudication: pain when chewing or talking due to ischaemia of the masseter muscles is pathognomonic.

Visual symptoms are common with blindness (transient or permanent) or diplopia. Associated systemic symptoms - weight loss, lassitude and generalised muscle aches -

polymyalgia rheumatica in one-fifth of cases. Duration: the headache is intractable, lasting until treated.

### Mechanism:

Large and medium-sized arteries undergo intense 'giant cell' infiltration, with fragmentation of the lamina and narrowing of the lumen, resulting in distal ischaemia as well as stimulating pain sensitive fibres. Occlusion of important end arteries, e.g. the ophthalmic artery, may result in blindness; occlusion of the basilar artery may cause brain stem or bilateral occipital infarction.

Diagnosis: ESR usually high. Blood film shows anaemia or



Thickened wall with giant cell infiltrate



### • **Trigeminal neuralgia** is defined by sudden, usually unilateral, severe, brief, stabbing or lancinating, recurrent episodes of pain in the distribution of one or more branches of the fifth cranial (trigeminal) nerve. The incidence increases gradually with age; most idiopathic cases begin after age 50 years. Once the diagnosis is suspected on clinical grounds, it is important to search for secondary causes. Patients with suspected trigeminal neuralgia or those with recurrent attacks of pain limited to one or more divisions of the trigeminal nerve and no obvious cause (eg, herpes zoster or trigeminal nerve trauma) should undergo imaging to help distinguish classic trigeminal neuralgia from secondary causes. MRI and MRA of the head without and with contrast tailored to evaluate the trigeminal nerve is the preferred imaging exam to evaluate for compression of the nerve by adjacent vessels or other structures



• • Acute herpes zoster and postherpetic neuralgia often involve cervical and trigeminal nerves. Pain is the most common symptom of zoster and approximately 75 percent of patients have prodromal pain in the dermatome where the rash subsequently appears. The major risk factors for postherpetic neuralgia are older age, greater acute pain, and greater rash severity. Acute herpes zoster is usually a clinical diagnosis based upon the characteristic vesicular lesions in a restricted dermatomal pattern. The diagnosis of postherpetic neuralgia is made when pain persists beyond four months in the same distribution as a preceding documented episode of acute herpes zoster

• **Brain tumor** should be considered as a possible cause of new-onset headaches in adults over age 50 years, as discussed above

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### **Primordial Prevention**

**Primary Prevention** 

**Secondary Prevention** 

**Tertiary Prevention** 

**Quaternary Prevention** 

### **Primordial prevention**

- آموزش صحيح به پزشكان و مراقبين سالمت جهت برخورد صحيح با سردرد و علل ايجاد آن
- آموزش های لازم در سطح جامعه در مورد اهمیت سردرد های ناگهانی با علل تهدید کننده حیات
  - اطلاع رسانی به تمام افراد جامعه برای تشکیل پرونده الکترونیک
     سلامت جهت ثبت اطلاعات و سوابق شخصی و خانوادگی
  - کاهش چاقی جمعیت و کنترل دیابت و فشارخون بعنوان عوامل دارای همراهی با میگرن

### **Primary prevention**

آموزش چهره به چهره به مادران باردار جهت مراجعه به پزشک و اطلاع
 وی در صورت بروزسردرد

• اطلاع به افراد با سابقه سردردهای اولیه درمورد عوامل برانگیزنده حملات سردرد و جلوگیری از وقوع انها

### **Secondary prevention**

• درمانهای پیشگیری کننده در مواقع دارای اندیکاسیون در افراد مبتلا به سر درد های اولیه

### **Tertiary prevention**

- درمان و پیگیری مناسب در افراد مبتلا به سردرد
- ارجاع جهت بستری و اقدامات تشخیصی مناسب در افراد دارای اندیکاسیون

### **Quaternary prevention**

- عدم انجام اقدامات تشخیصی و درمانی اضافی
- جلوگیری از بستری بی مورد در سردردهای خوشخیم اولیه
  - عدم تجویز نامناسب دارو، پروفیلاکسی و ...

## Thanks for your attention