

Brain ventricles, cerebrospinal fluid, Coverings and blood vessels of the brain

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Cerebrospinal fluid

production – choroid plexus

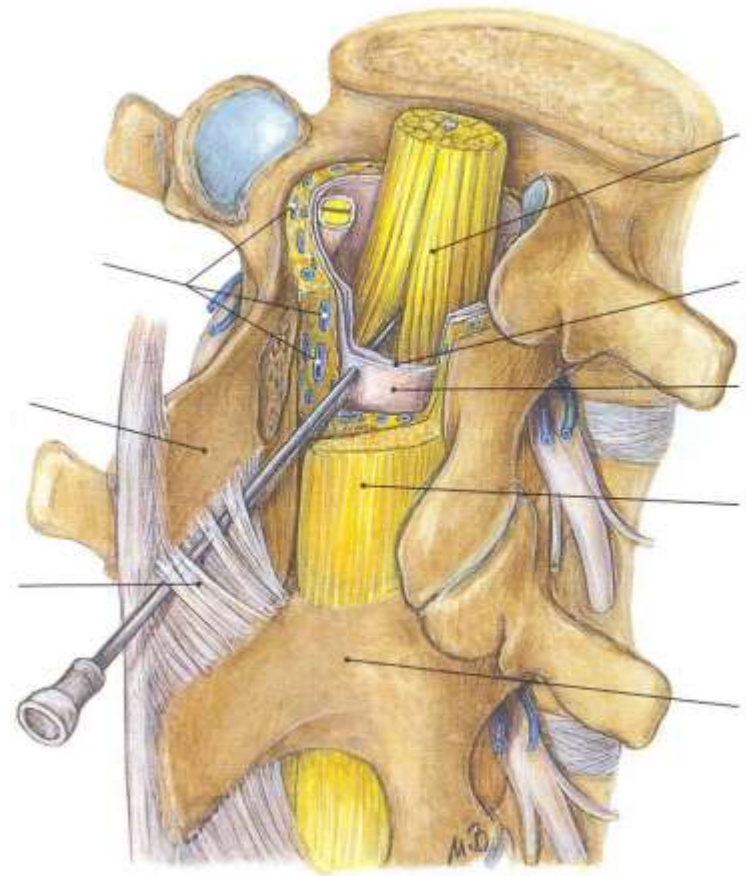
absorption – arachnoid granulations

Ventricles and subarachnoidal space 140 ml

Daily 500 ml

Mechanic support of the brain („it floats“)

Chemical communication in the CNS (neurons-
CSF-wall of ventricles– neurons)



Ventricles

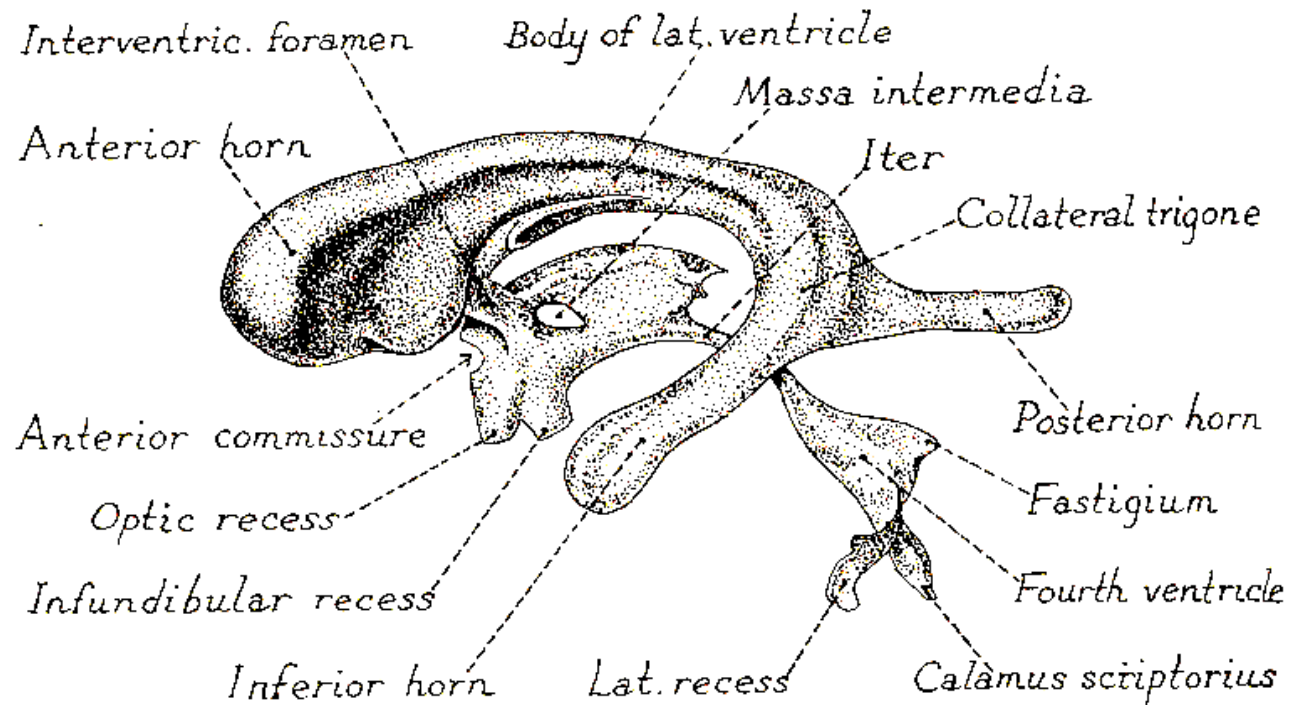
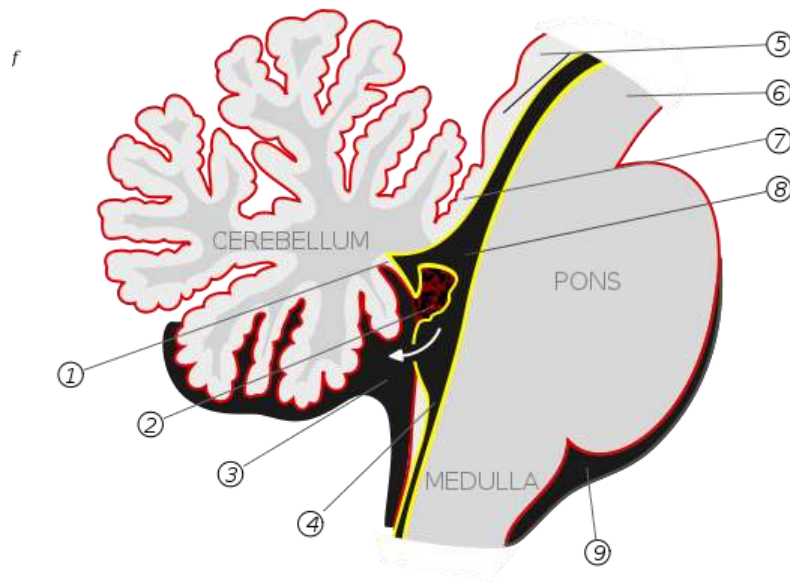


FIG. 305. Cast of the brain ventricles, viewed from the side. Only the left lateral ventricle is represented. (After Rauber-Kopsch.)

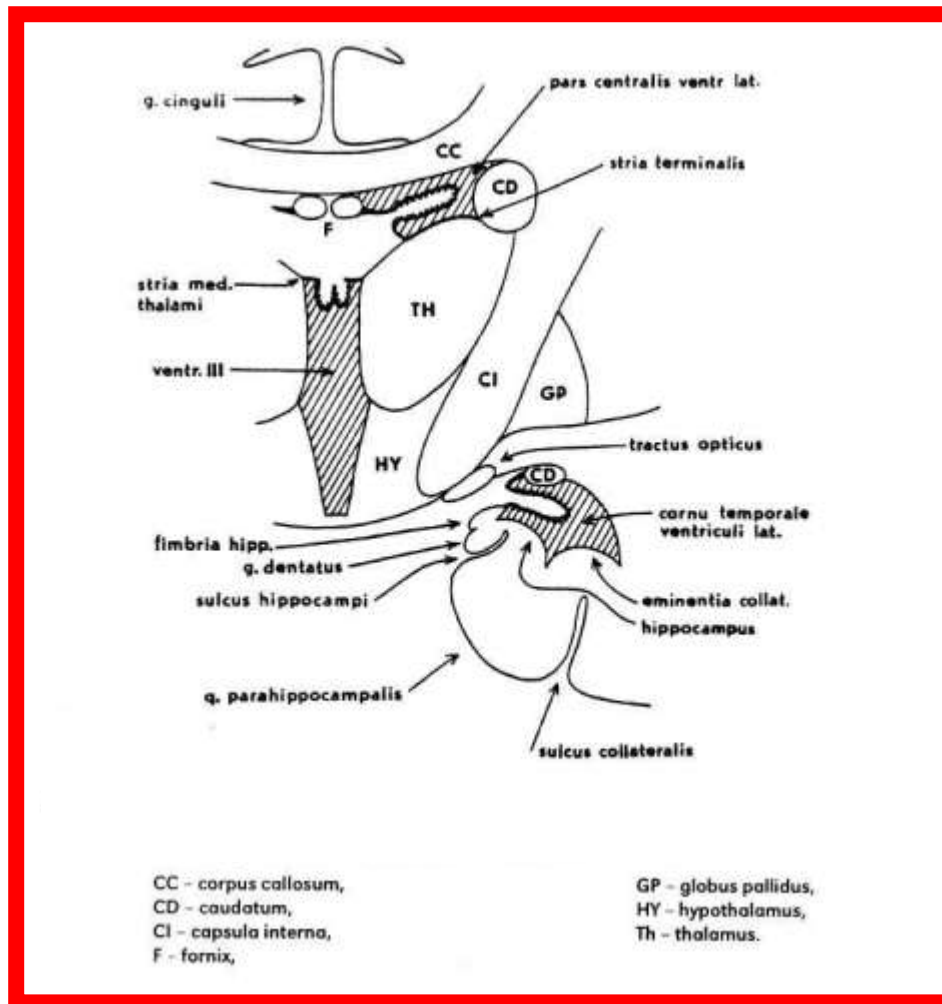
CSF comes from ventricles to subarachnoid space through:

A) Median aperture of the IV.ventricle③
= **foramen Magendi**

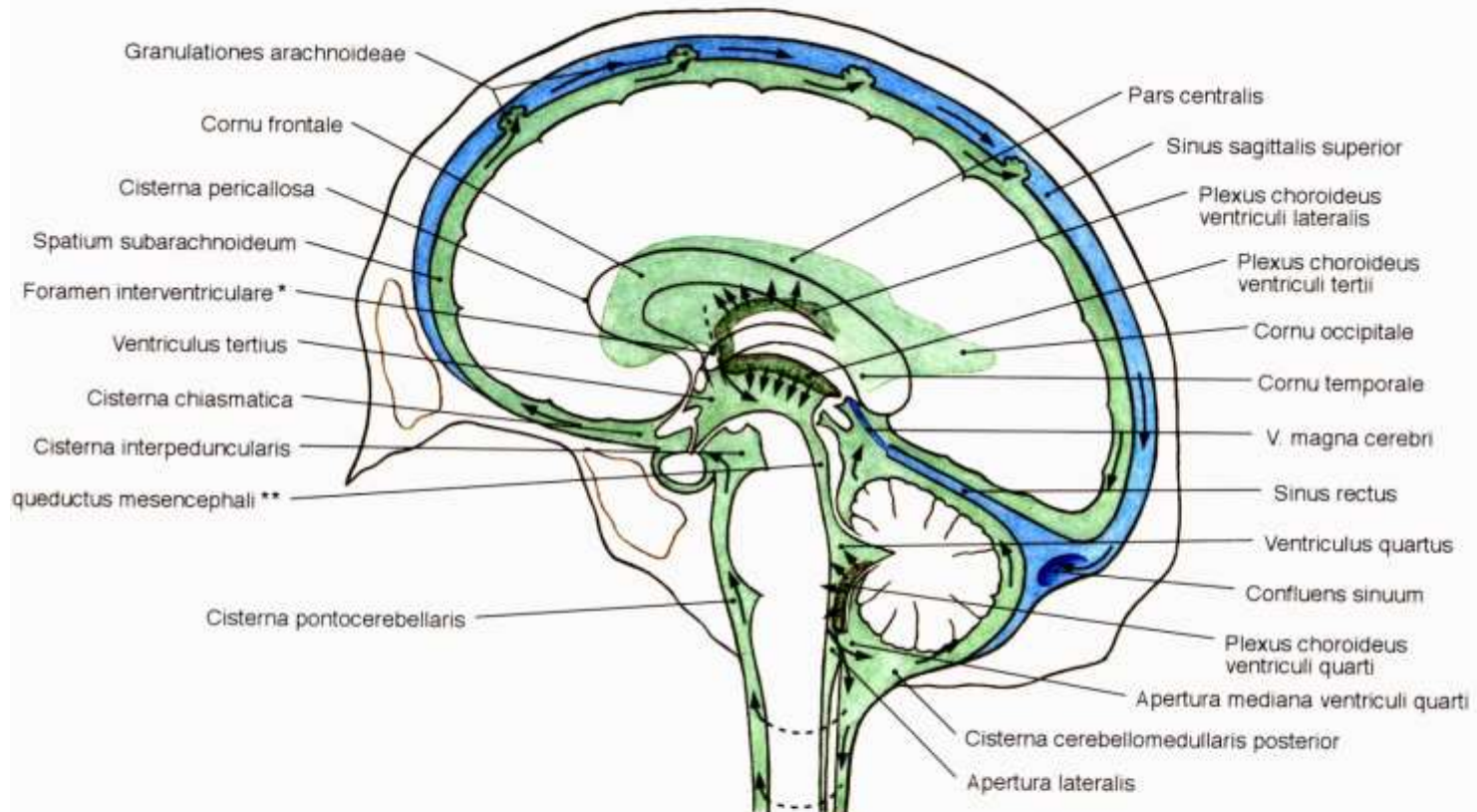


B) Lateral apertures of the IV.ventricle
= **Foramina Luschkae**
Laterally in the **tela choroidea ventriculi quarti**

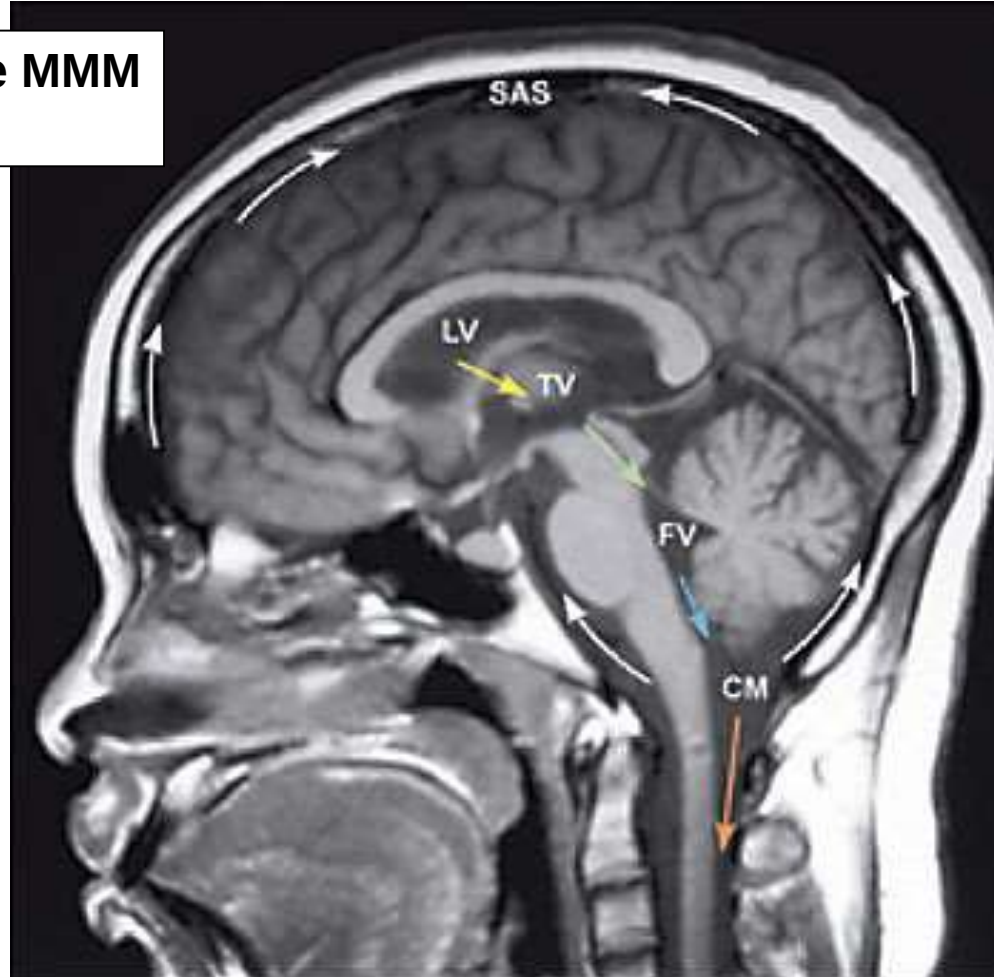
Frontal section through the ventricles



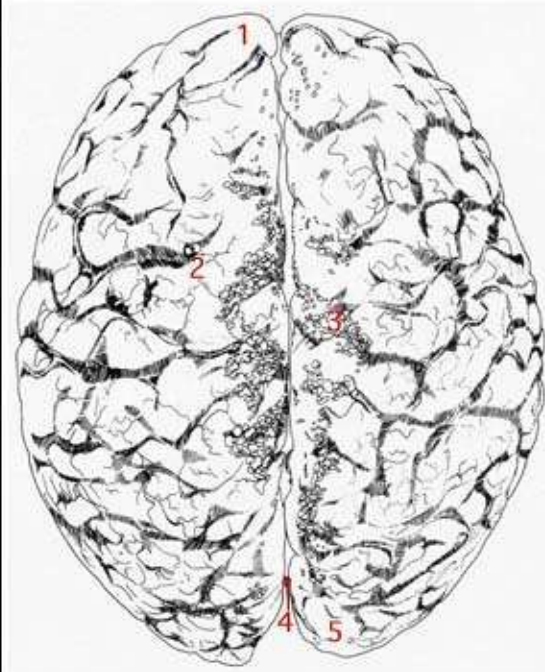
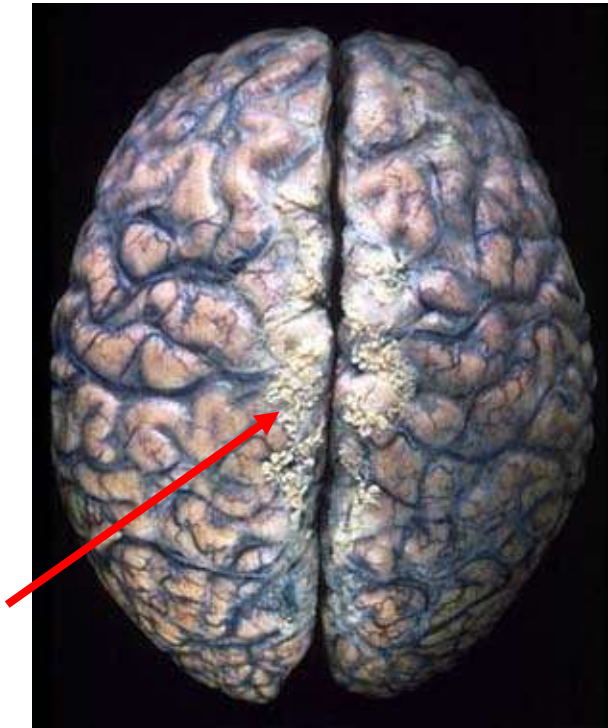
Lateral ventricles, interventricular foramen , III. ventricle, aqeductus mesencephali, IV. ventricle, apertura mediana + aperturae laterales



**Cirkulace MMM
MR**

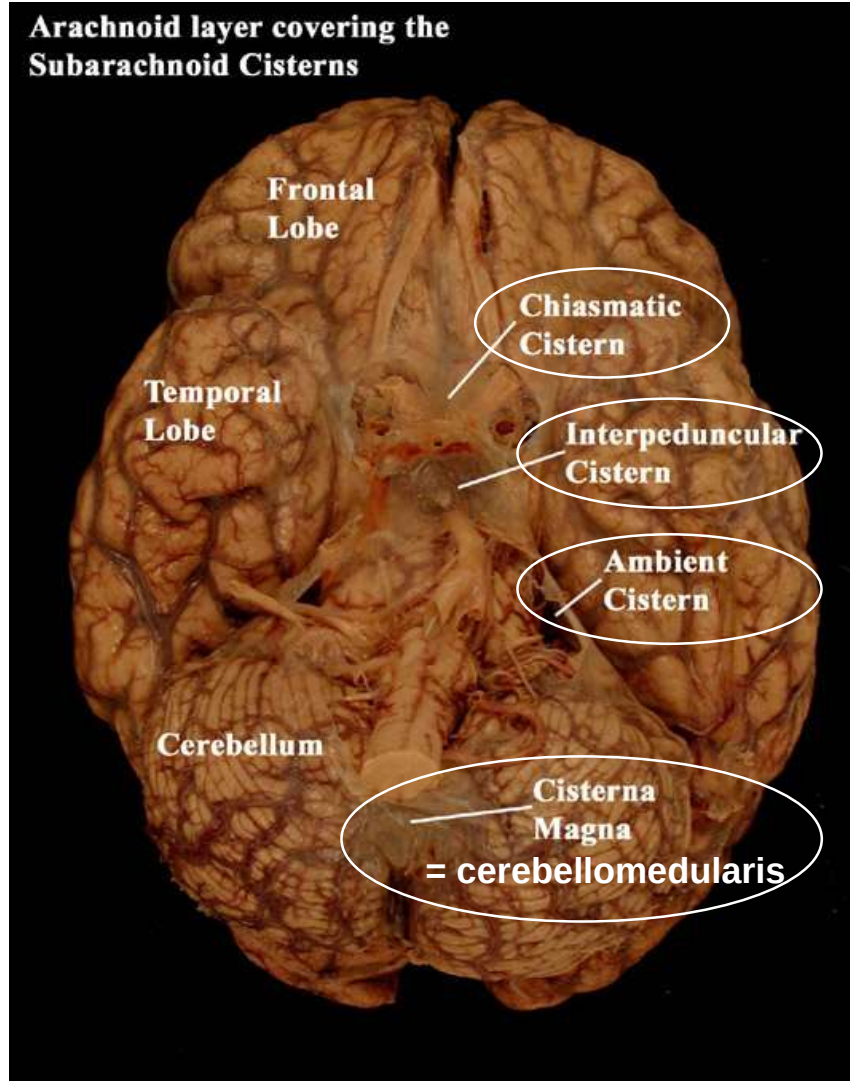


Granulationes arachnoidales
absorbtion to sinus sagittalis superior



Cisternae subarachnoidales

Between pia mater and arachnoid



Other cisterns:

Cisterna fossae lateralis cerebri

Cisterna pontis

Cisterna laminae quadrigeminae

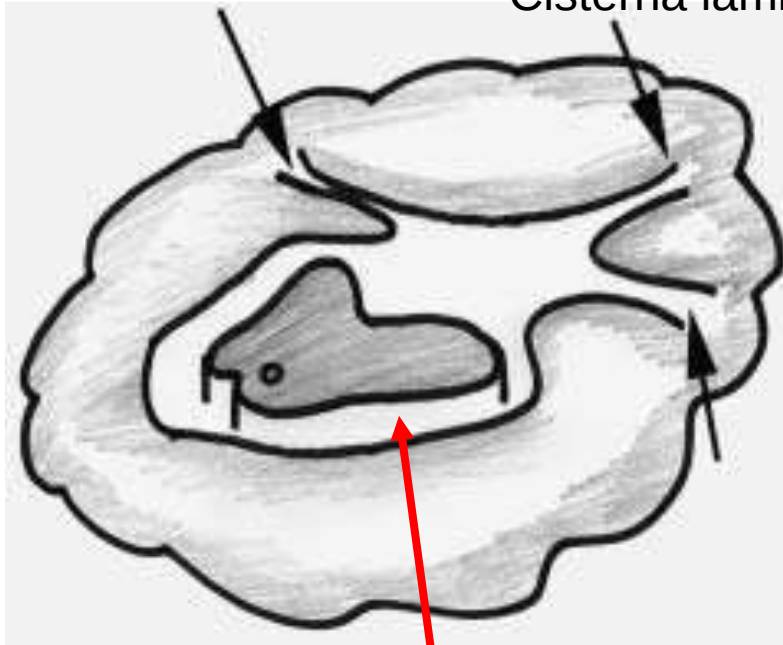
Cisterna corporis callosi

Cisterna ambiens

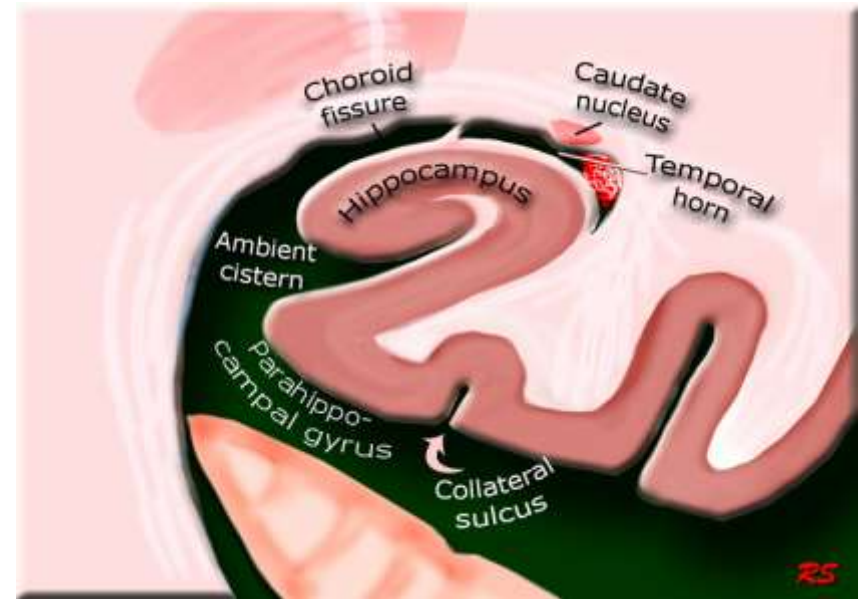
Between quadrigeminal and interpeduncular cistern

Cisterna fossae lateralis

Cisterna laminae terminalis



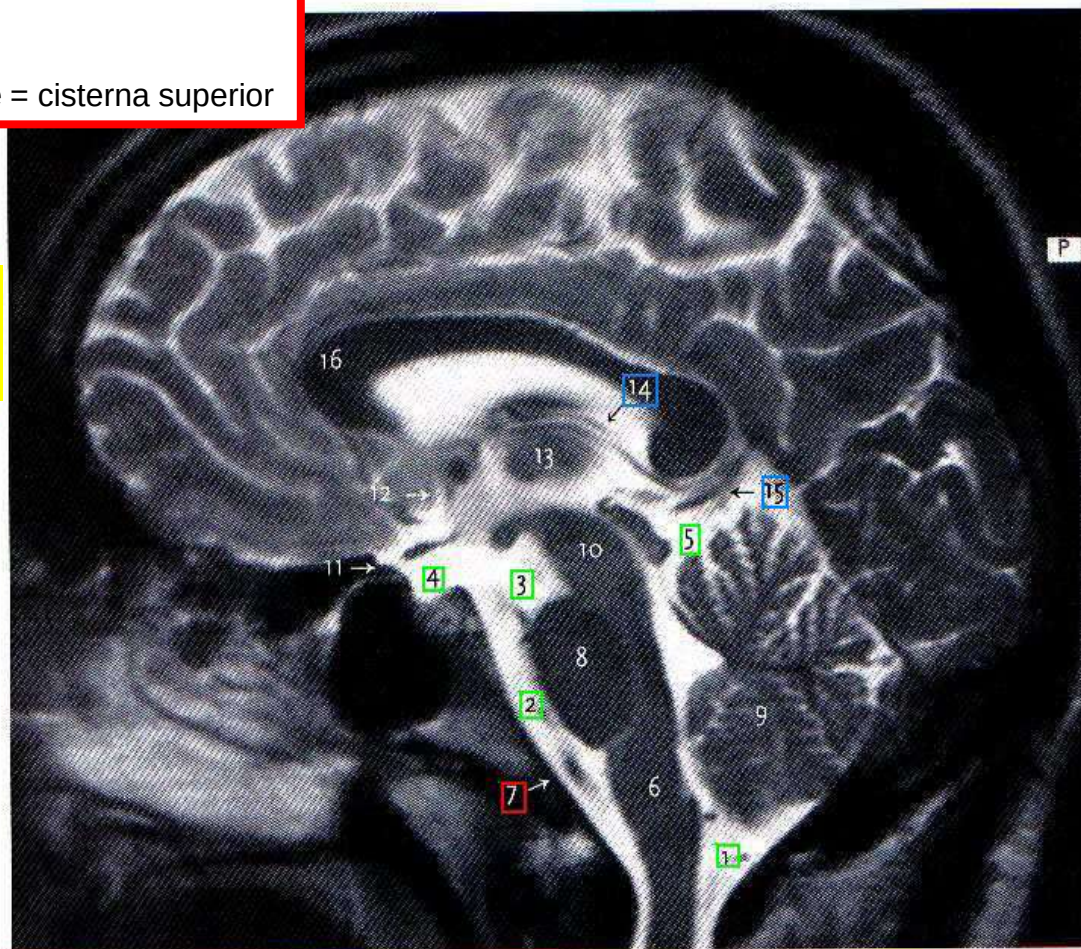
Cisterna ambiens

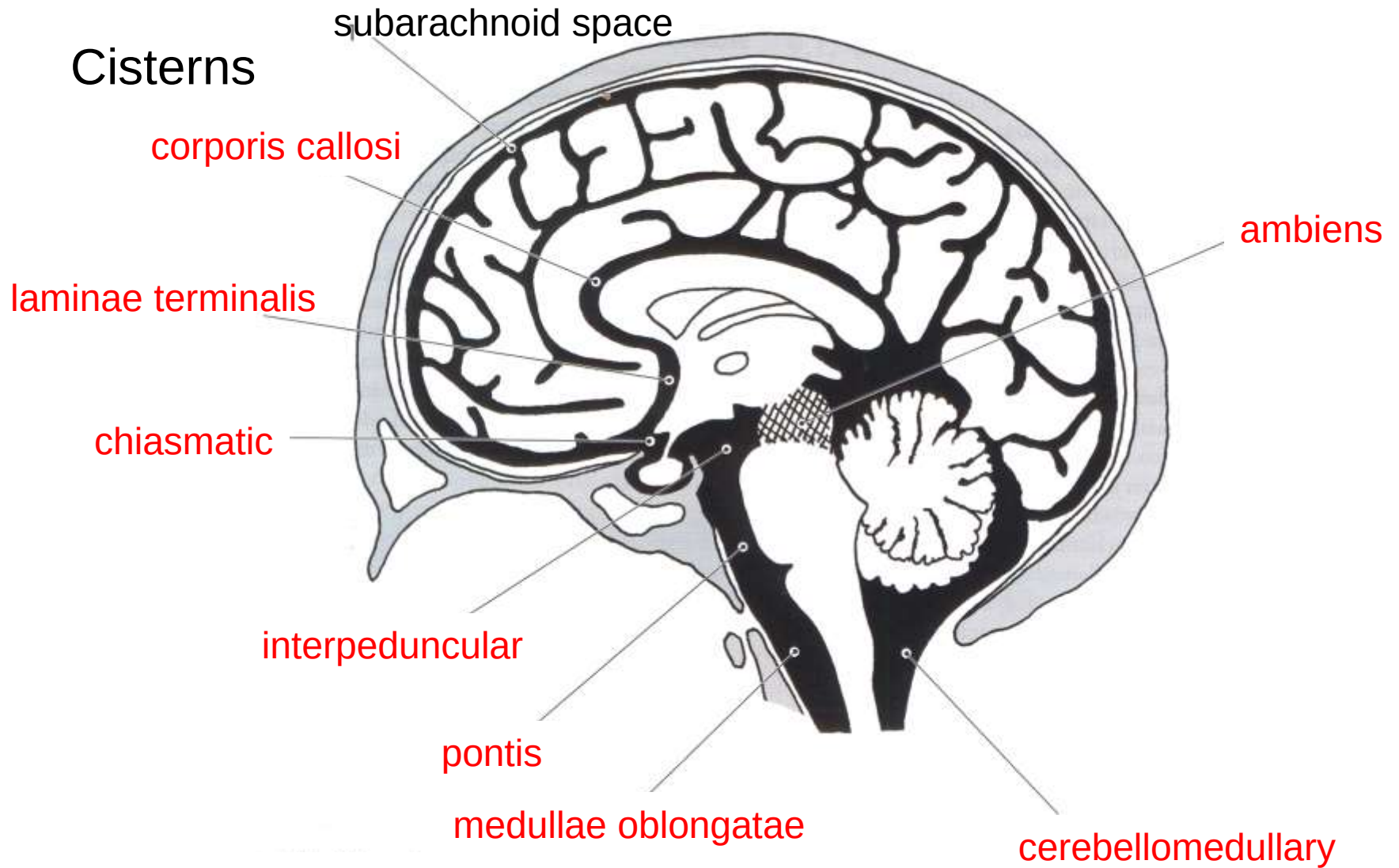


- 1 Cisterna cerebellomedullaris
- 2 Cisterna pontis
- 3 Cisterna interpeduncularis
- 5 Cisterna laminae quadrigeminae = cisterna superior

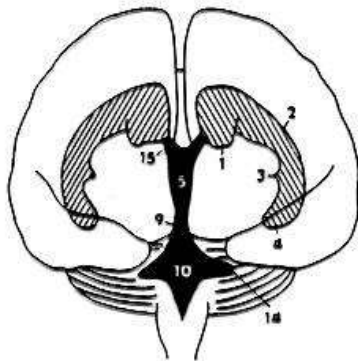
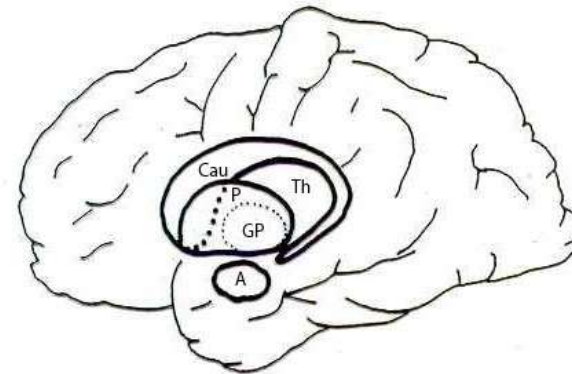
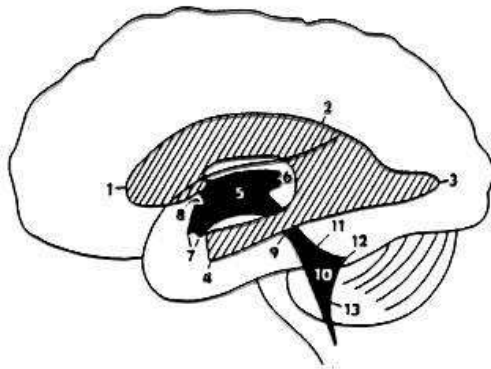
MRI – T2W
CSF is white

1 cisterna cerebellomedullaris;
2 cisterna pontis;
3 cisterna interpeduncularis; 4 cisterna chiasmatis; 5 cisterna superior; 6 medulla oblongata; 7 a. basilaris; 8 pons; 9 cerebellum; 10 mesencephalon; 11 n. opticus; 12 commissura anterior; 13 thalamus; 14 v. cerebri interna; 15 v. cerebri magna; 16 corpus callosum.



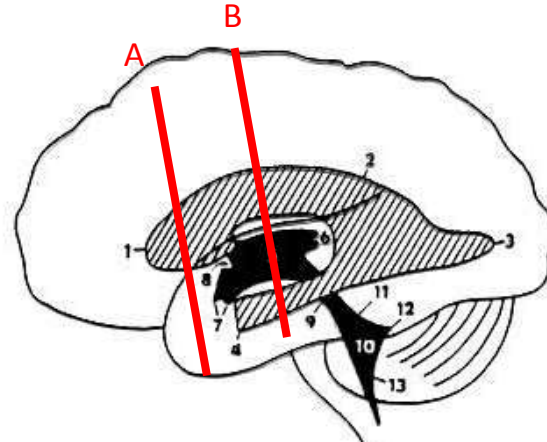
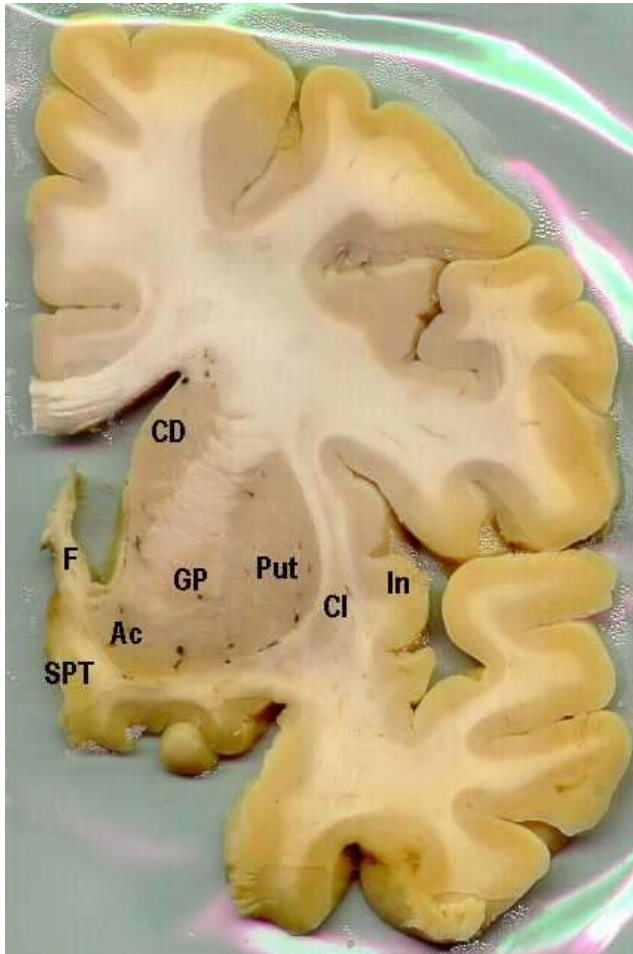


Ventricles and basal ganglia



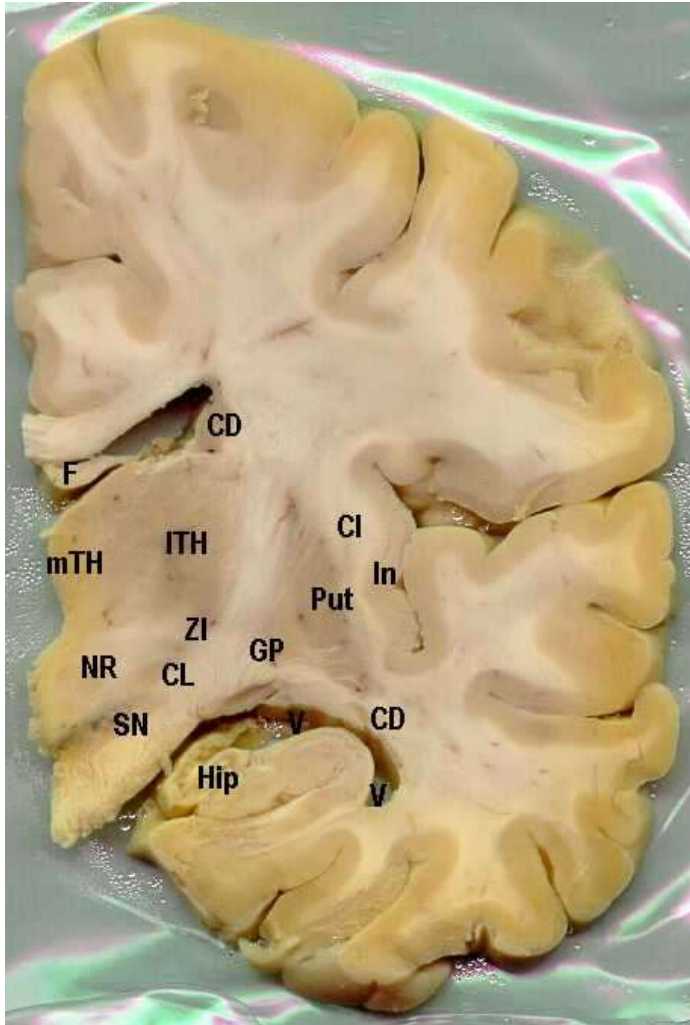
Cornu frontale ventriculi lateralis

A

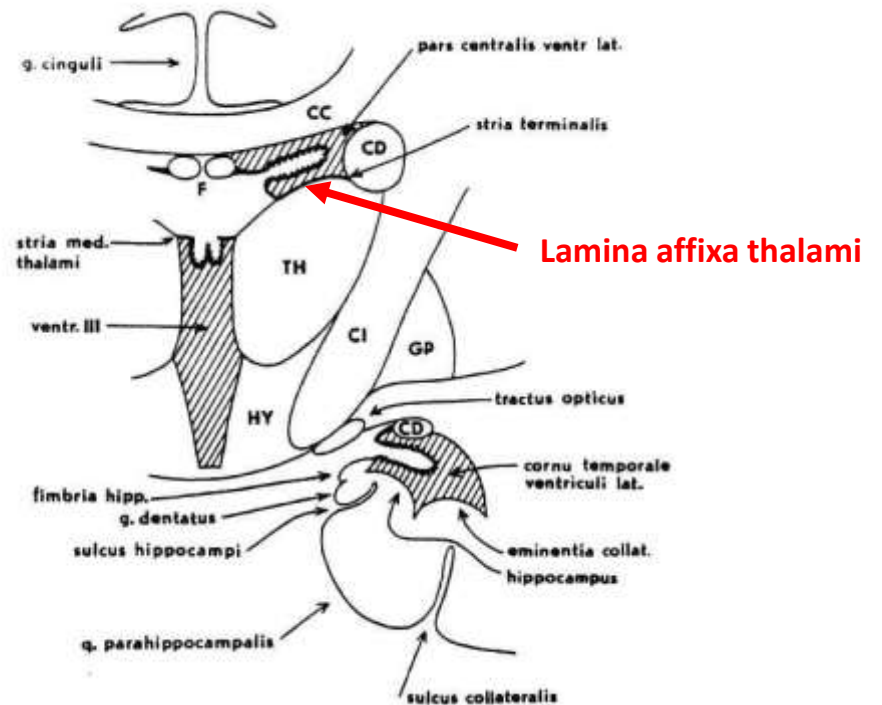


Pars centralis and cornu temporale

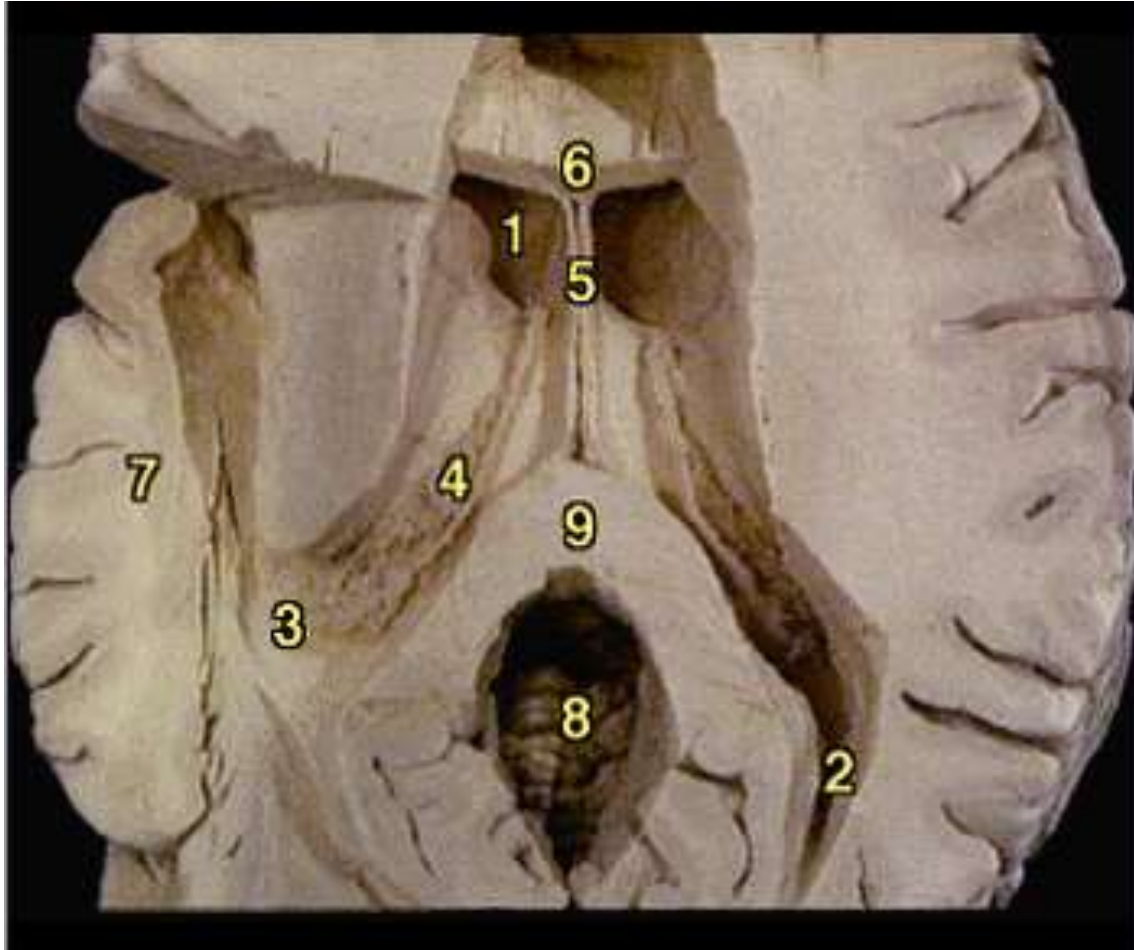
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Tela choroidea between fornixem and ncl. caudatus

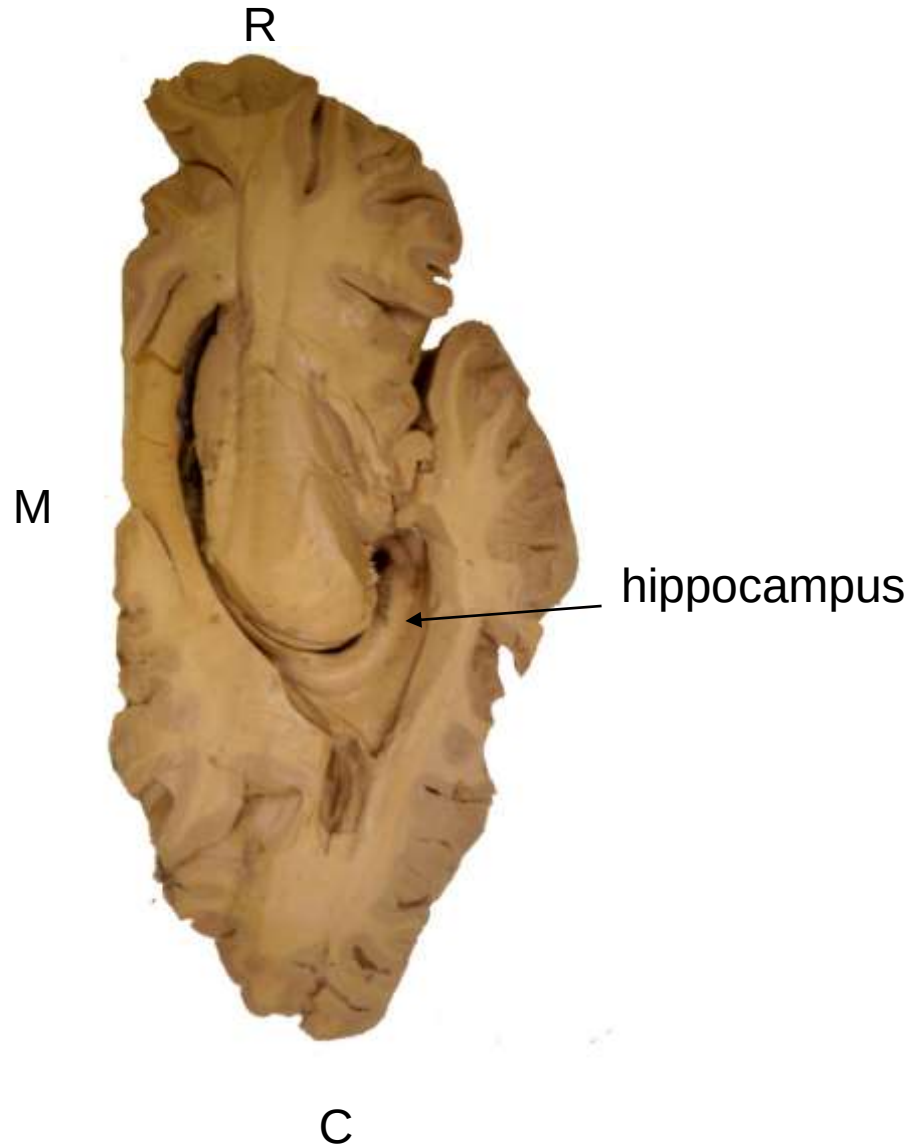


Dorsal aspect of ventricles

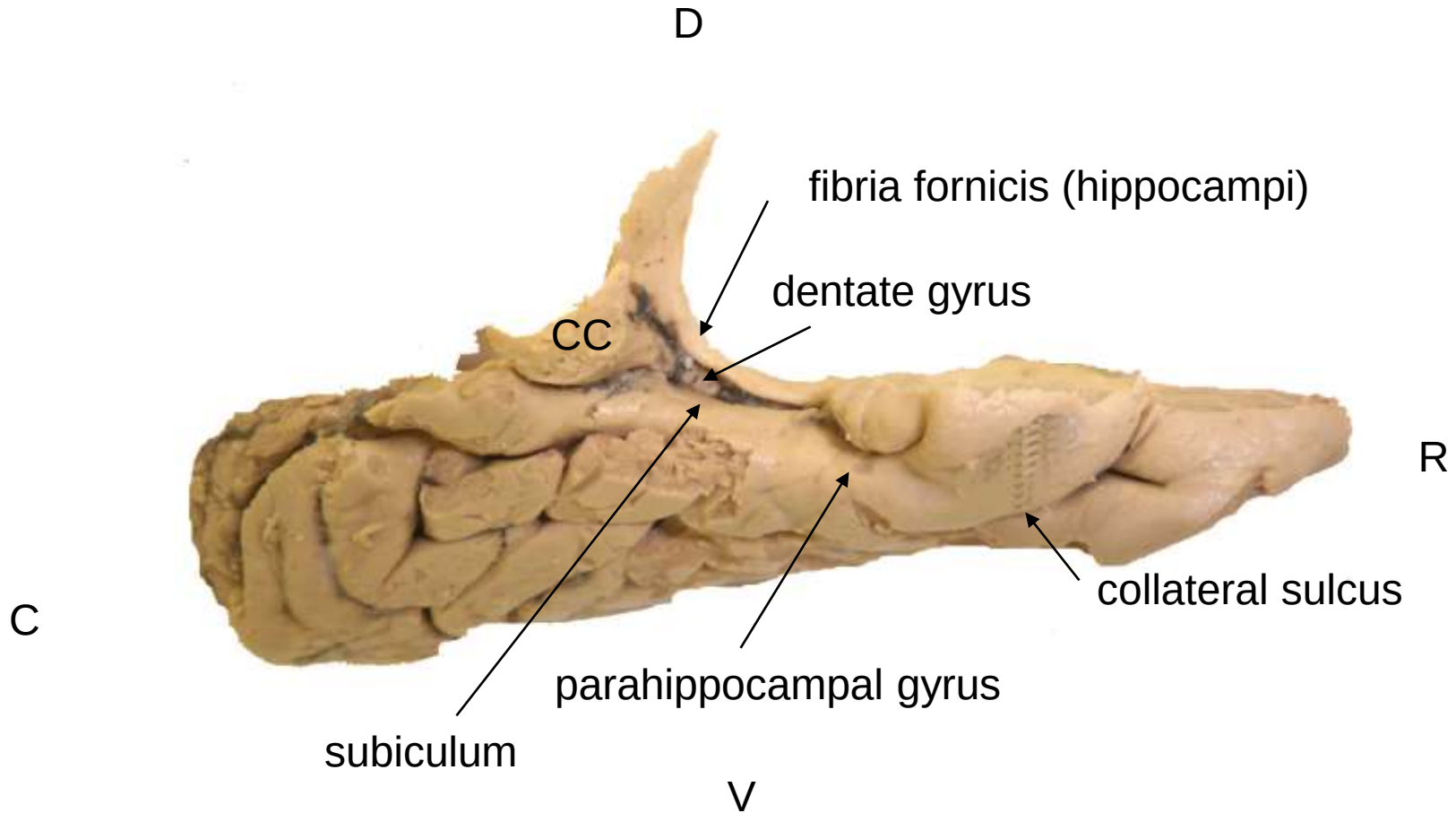


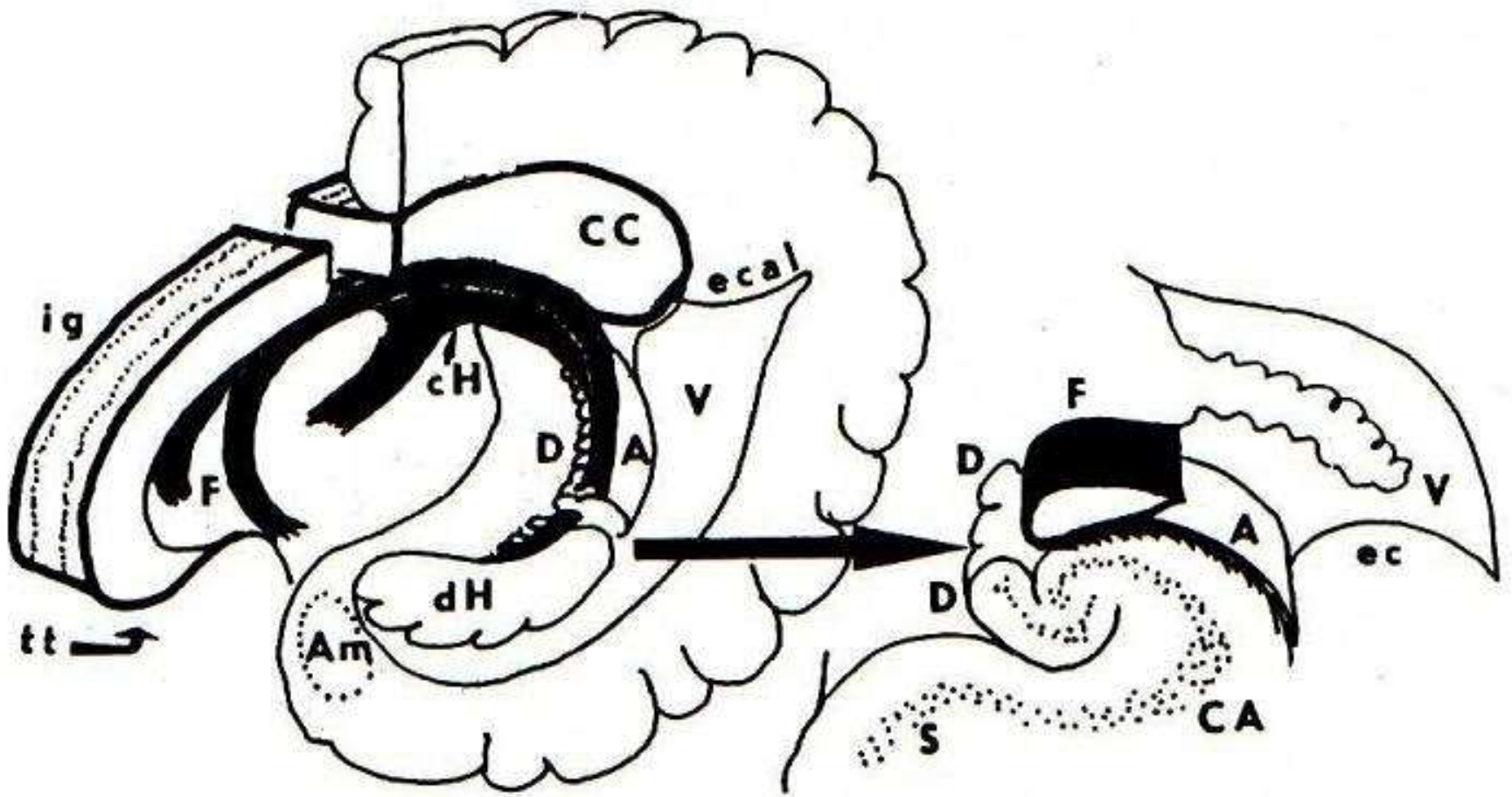
- 1- cornu frontale
- 2-cornu occipitale
- 3-fornix+ hippocampus
- 4-plexus choroideus VL
- 5-septum pellucidum
- 6- forceps ant
- 7-temporal lobe
- 8-cerebellum
- 9-forceps post

Lateral ventricle – dorsal aspect,



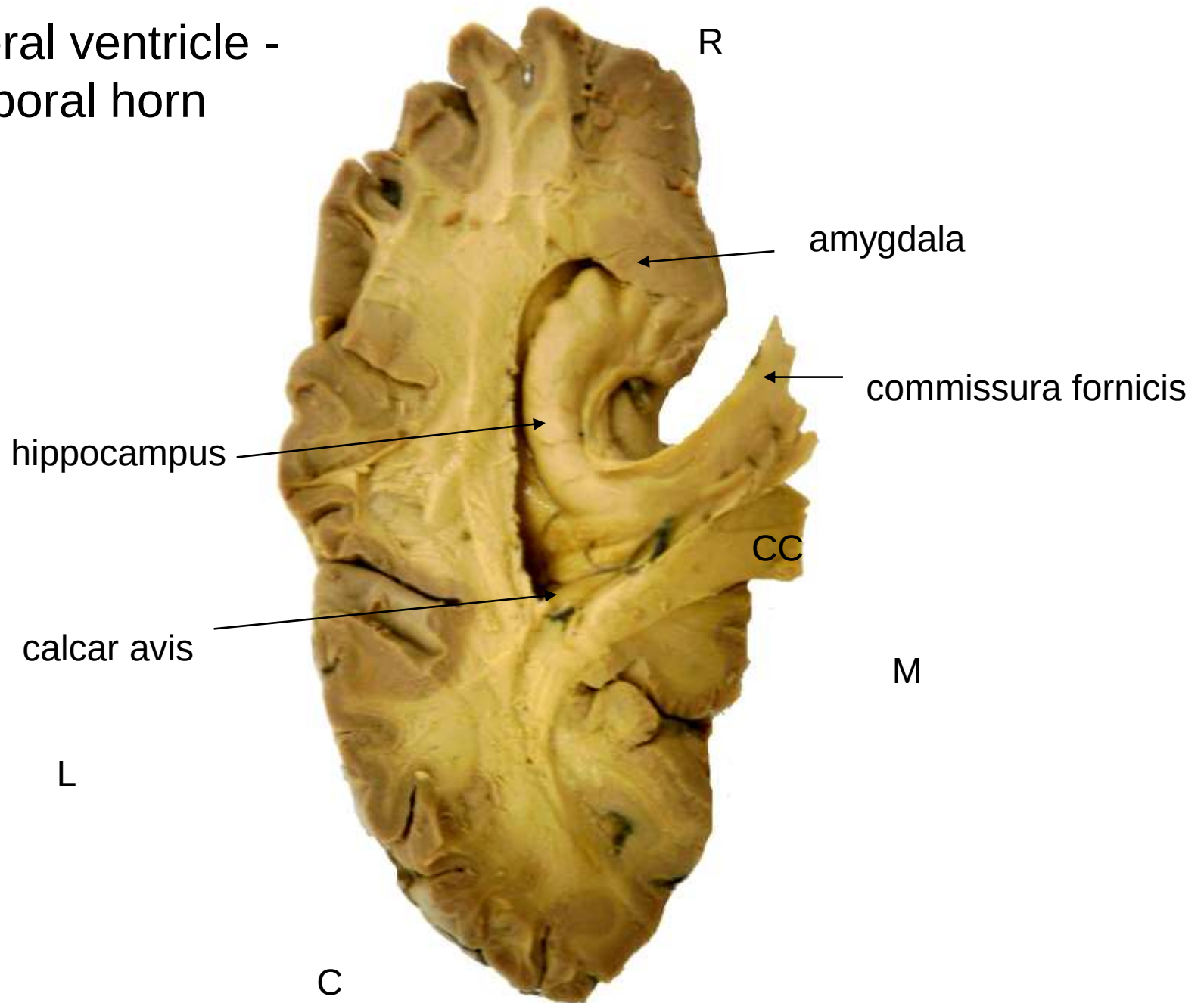
Temporal lobe medial aspect



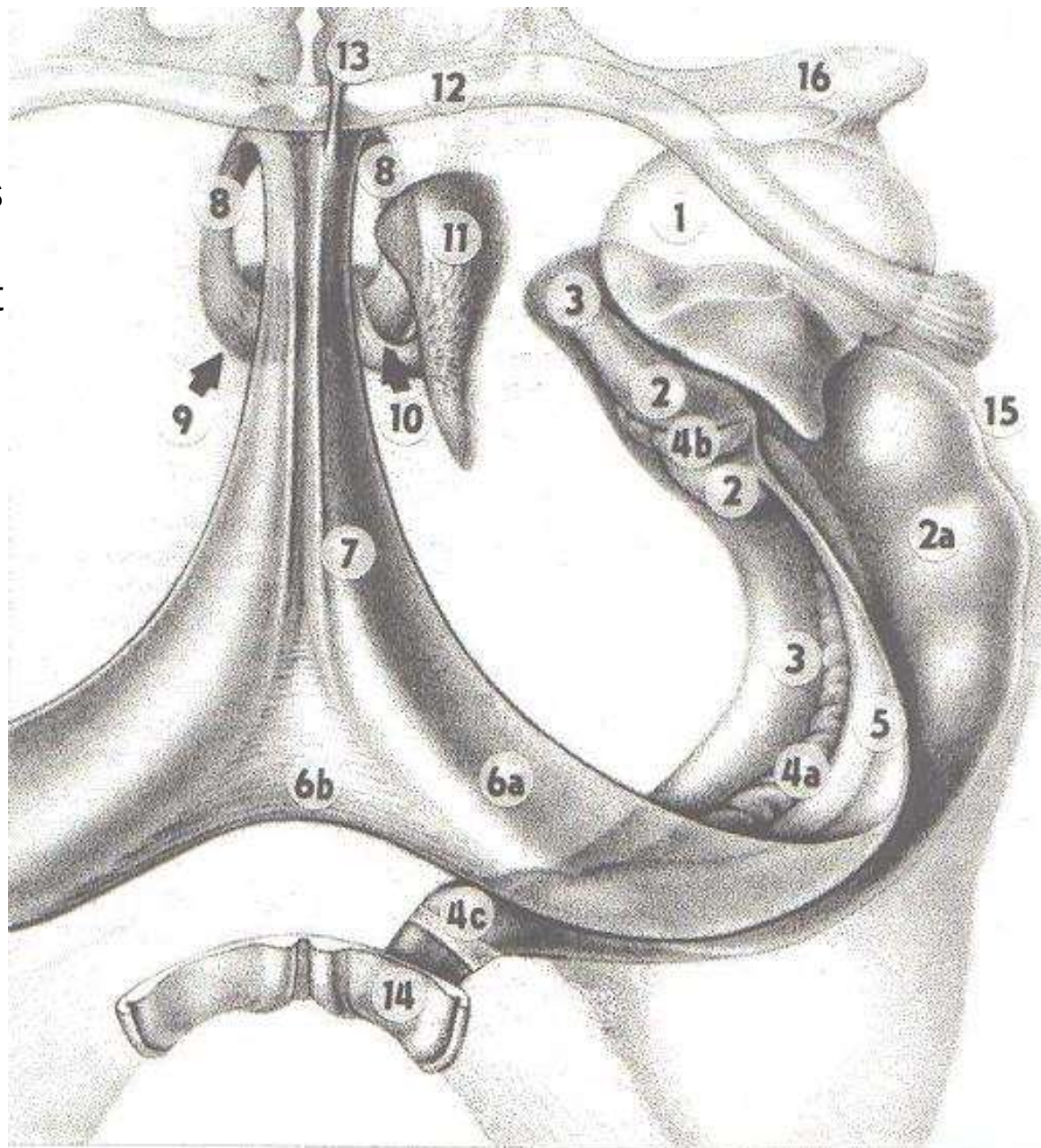


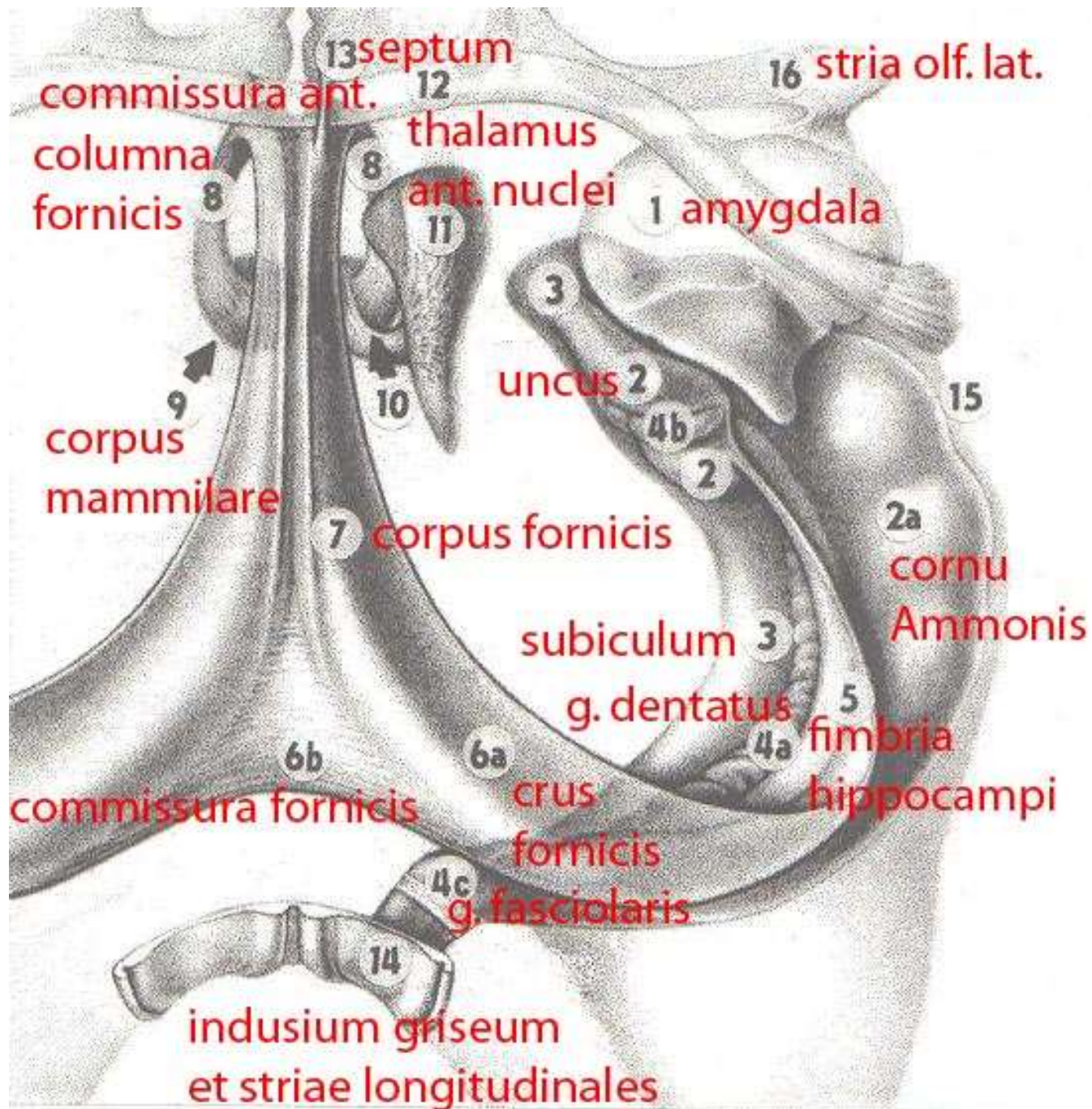
View of excised **hippocampus** and its cutout

Lateral ventricle - temporal horn

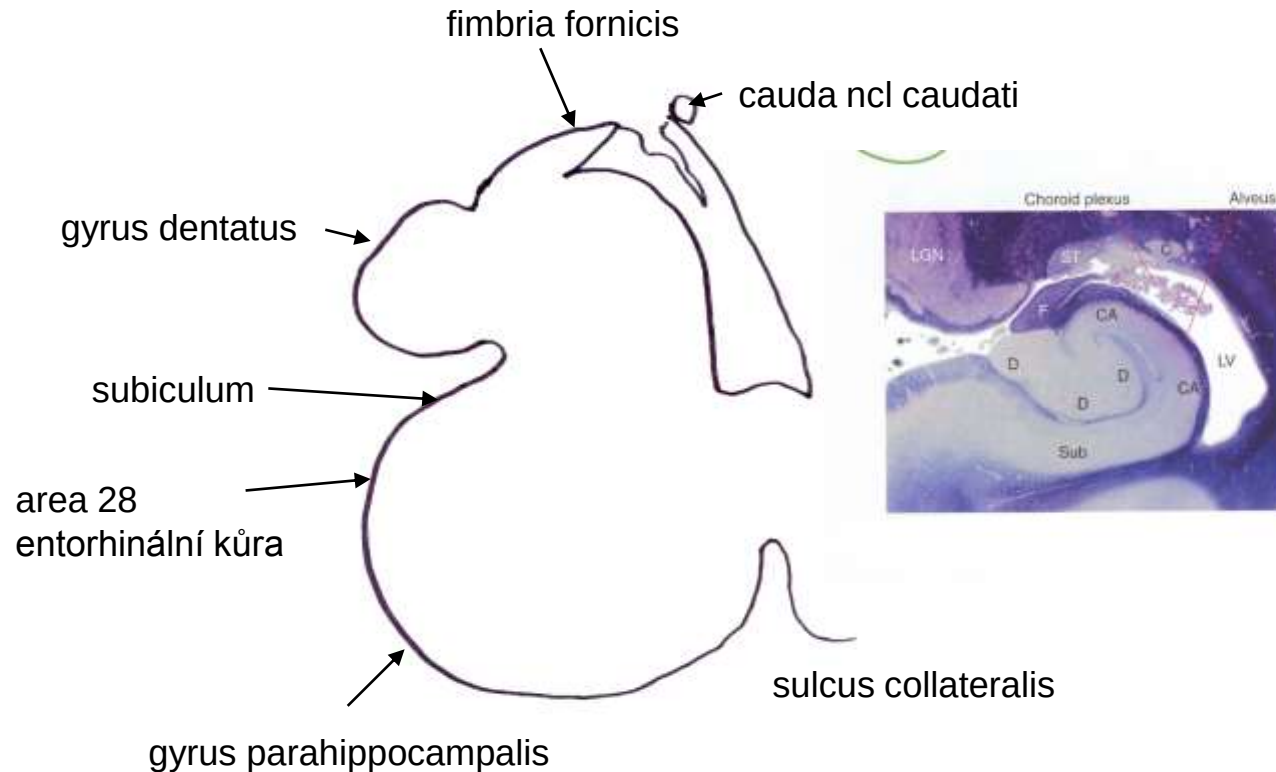


Hippocampus
and fornix
Dorsal aspect





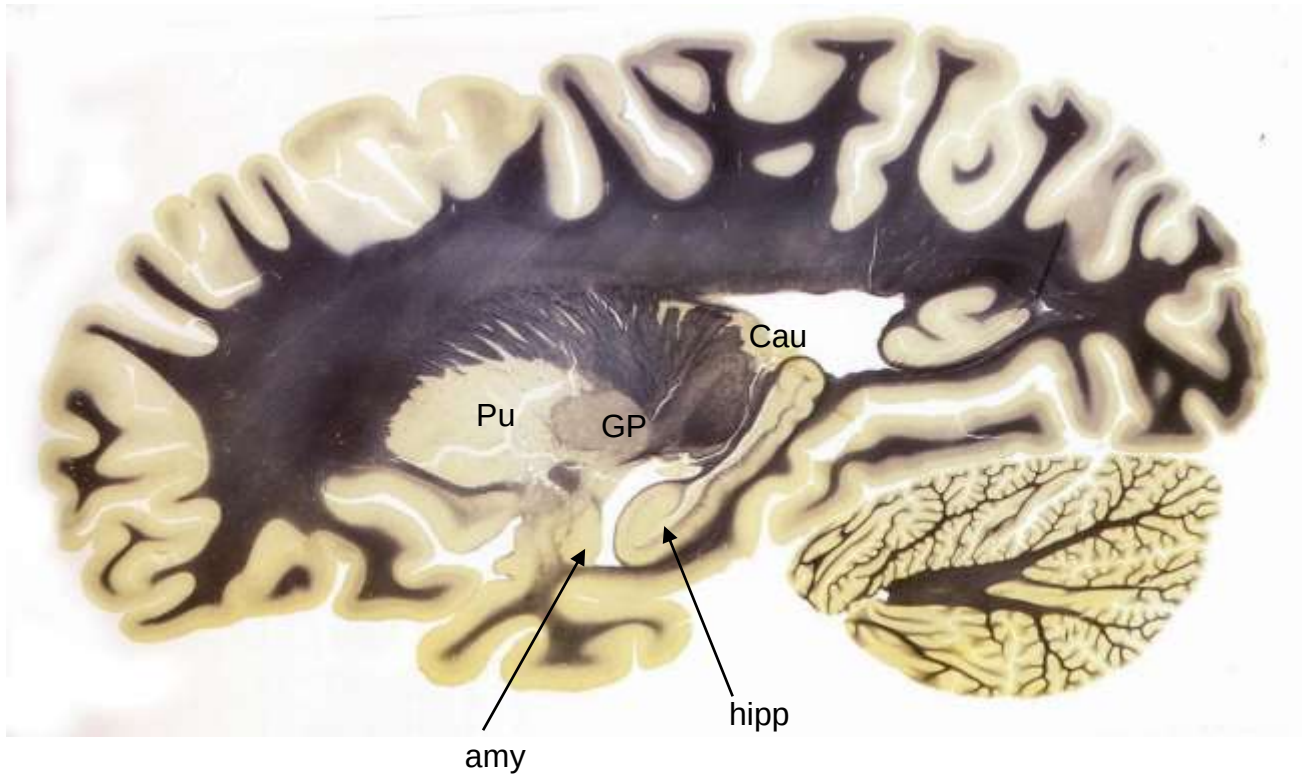
Frontal section of the hippocampus

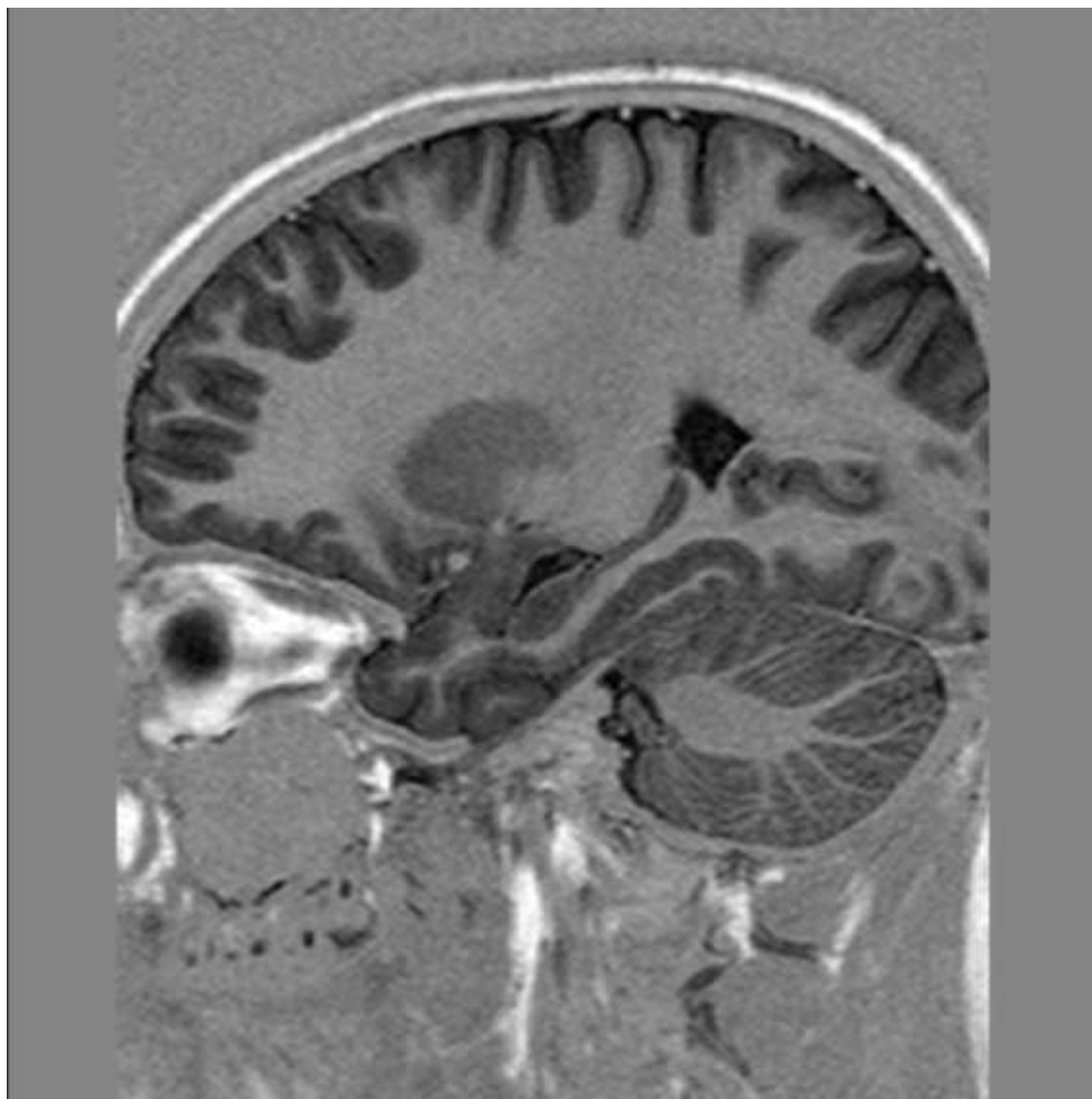


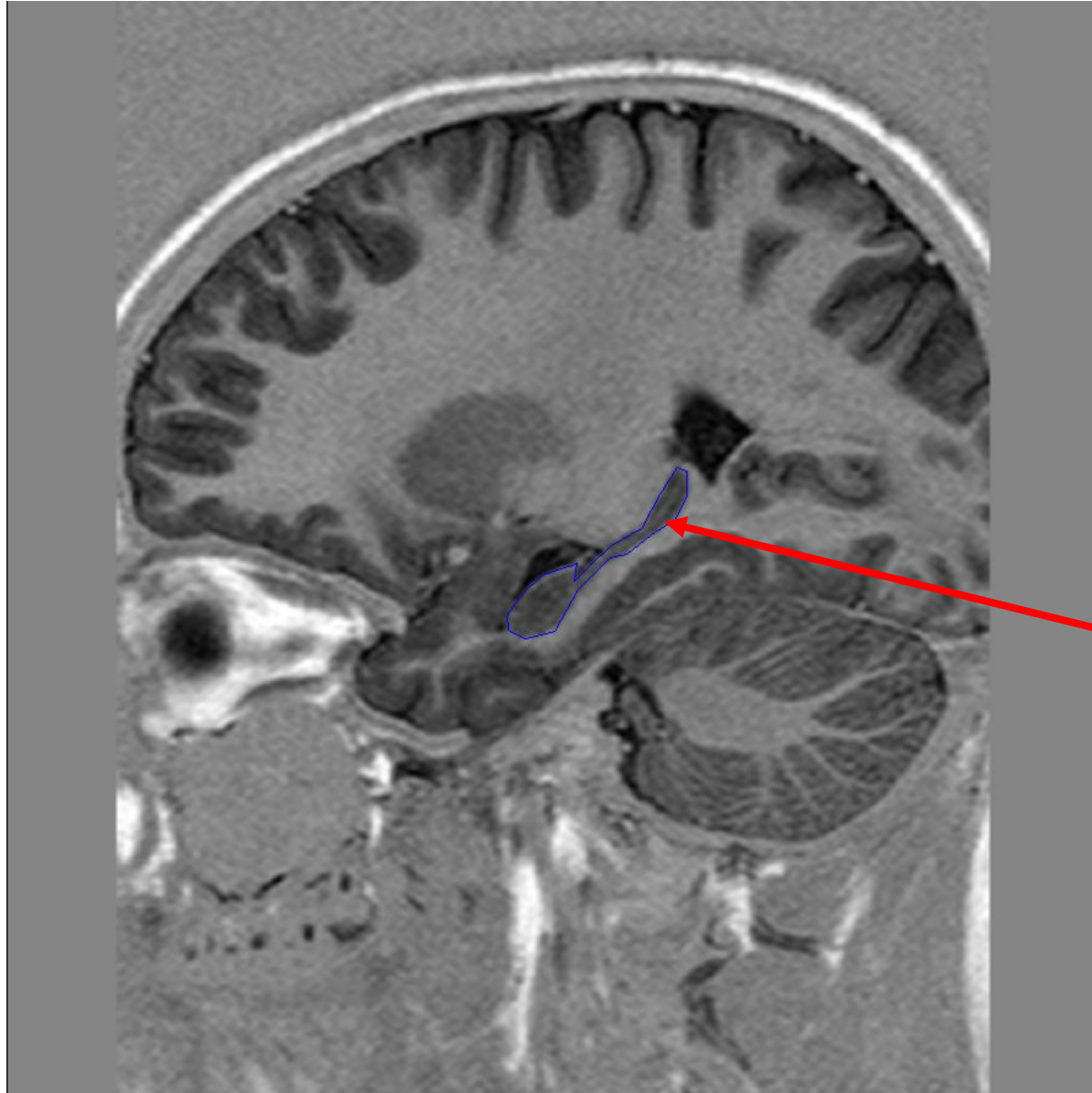
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Sagittal section of the brain – silver impregnation

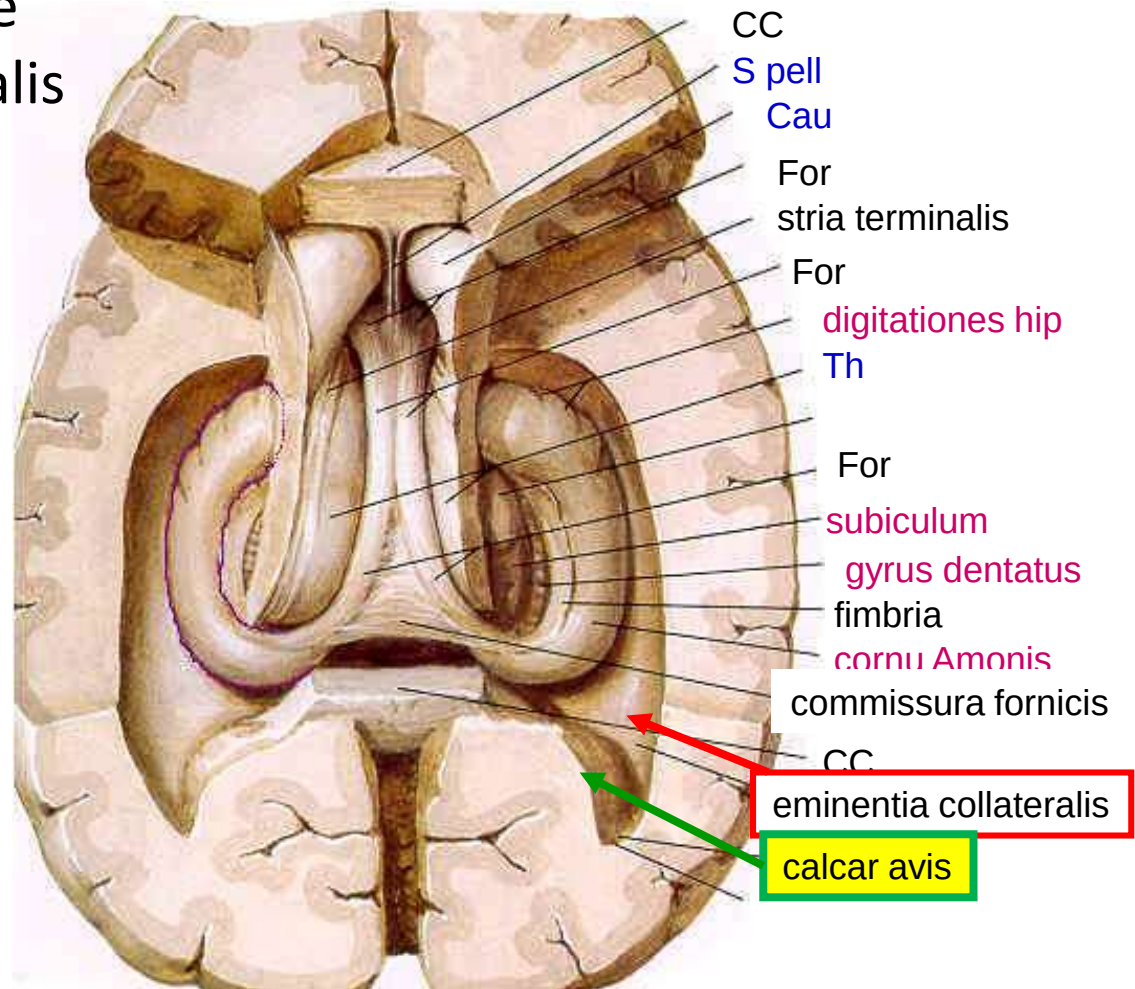




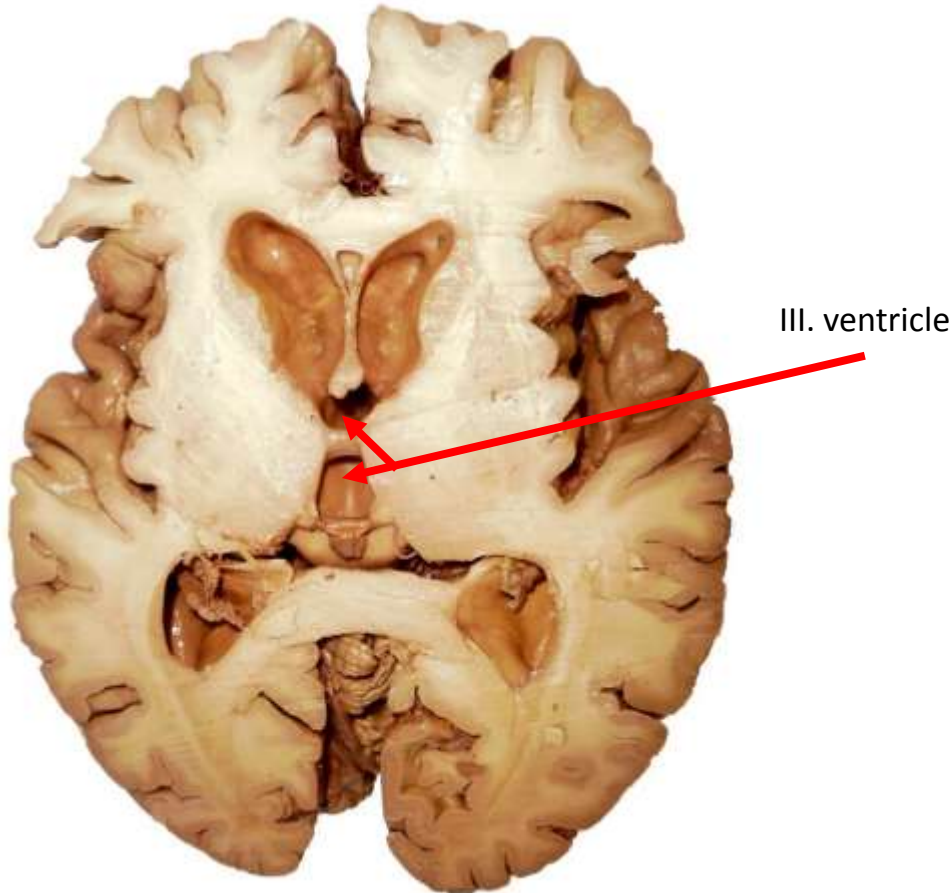


HIPPOCAMPUS

Cornu temporale and cornu occipitale ventriculi lateralis



Horizontal section through the interventricular foramen



III. ventricle

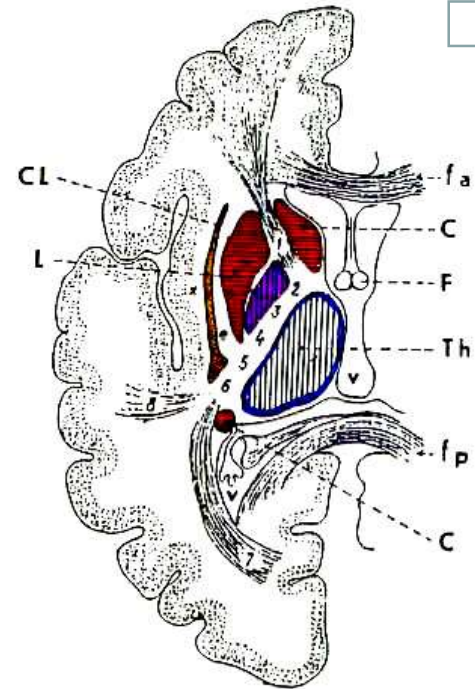


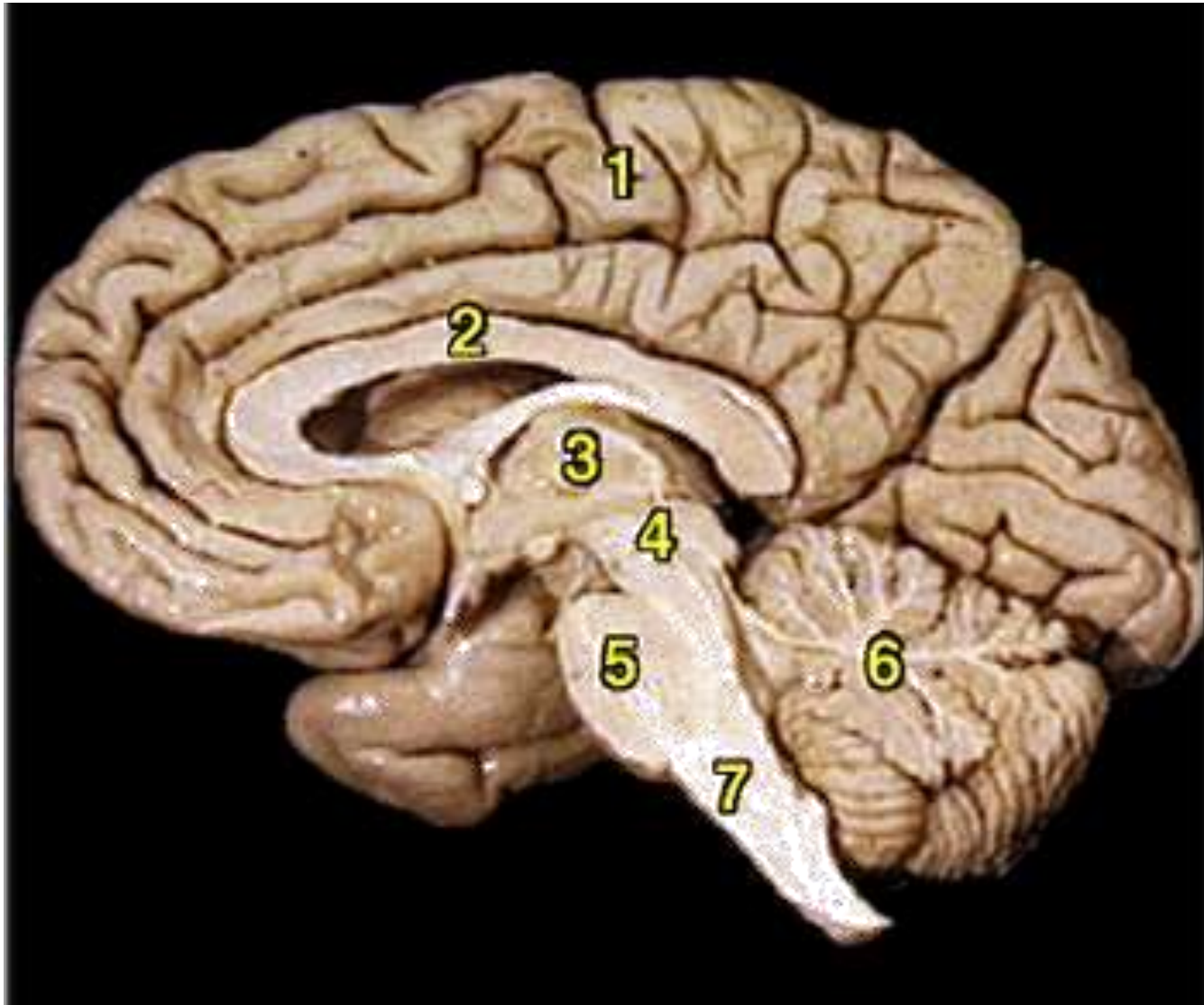
Fig. 56: Internal capsule in horizontal section through cerebrum

Internal capsule and its fibres are designated by numbers

- 1 - tr. fronto-pontinus (fills anterior ramus of the capsule).
- 2 - tr. cortico-nuclearis (in genu of the capsule).
- 3 - tr. cortico-spinalis for spinal centres of the upper limb.
- 4 - tr. cortico-spinalis for spinal centres of the lower limb.
- 5 - tr. thalamo-corticalis (sensory pathways).
- 6 - tr. parieto-occipito-temporo-pontinus.
- 7 - tr. geniculo-corticalis (radiatio optica, from corpus geniculatum laterale).
- 8 - tr. geniculo-corticalis (radiatio acustica, from corpus geniculatum mediale).

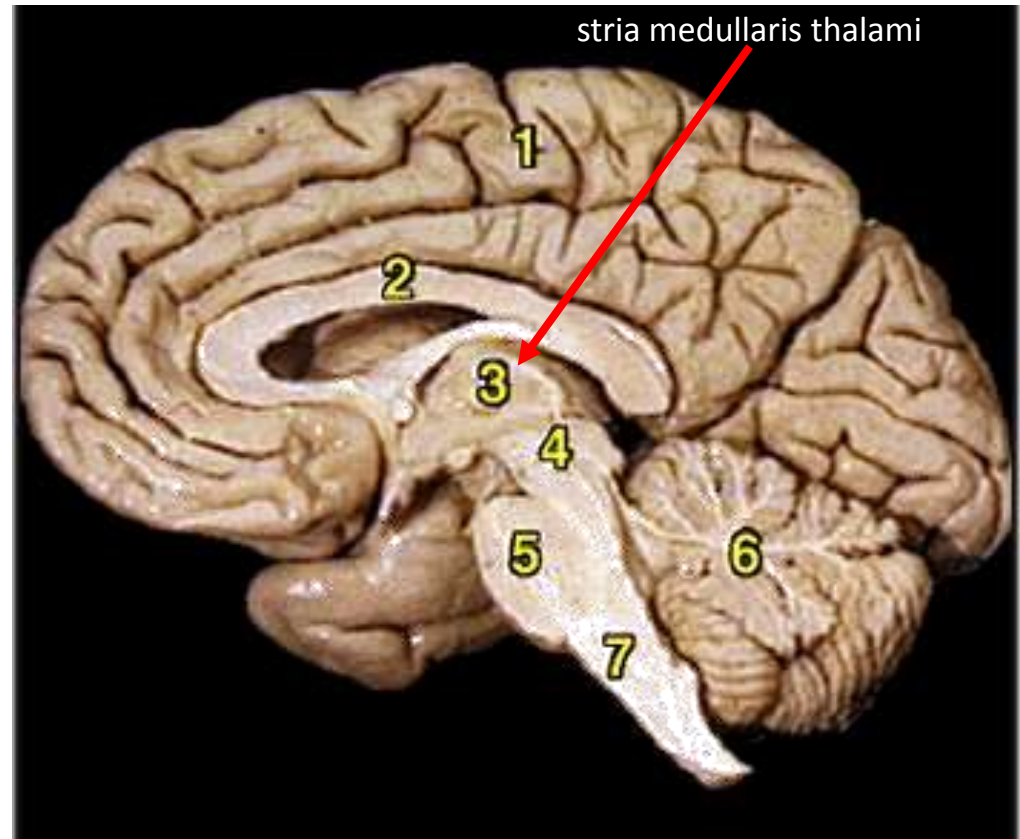
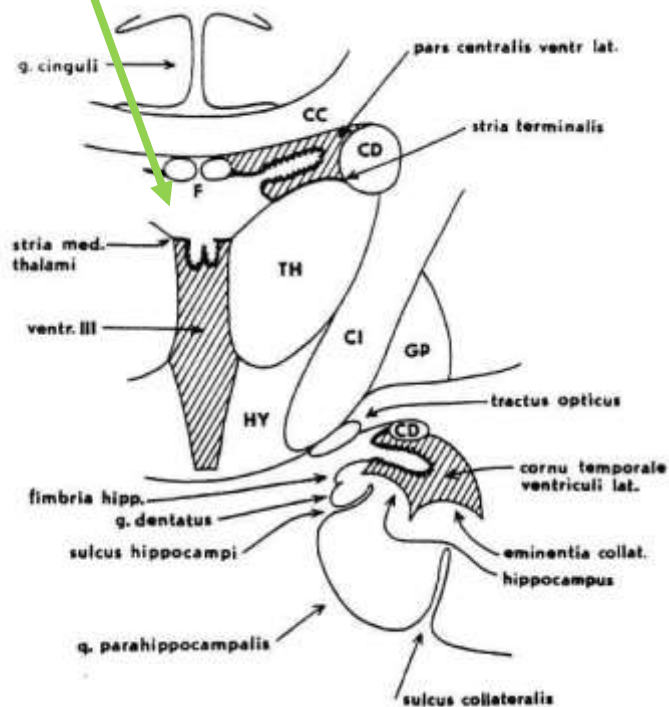
- C - ncl. caudatus,
 CL - claustrum,
 e - capsula externa,
 F - fornix,
 fa - forceps anterior,
 fp - forceps posterior,
 L - ncl. lentiformis,
 Th - thalamus,
 v - ventriculus,
 x - capsula extrema.

III. ventricle - inside of diencephalon



III. ventricle – sagittal fissure,
a roof of it is attached to stria medullaris thalami

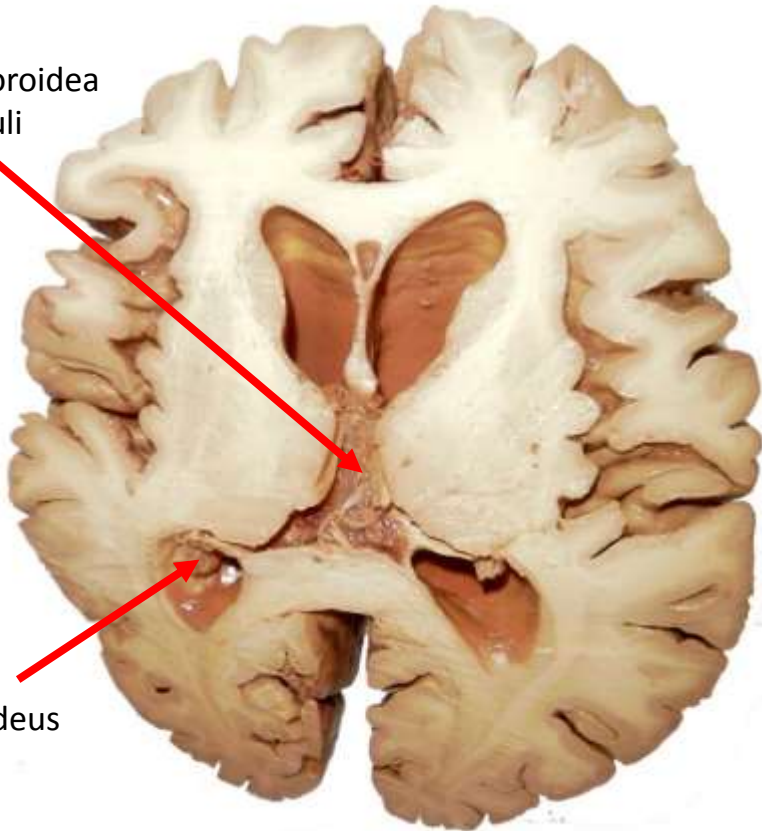
Fissura telodiencephalica



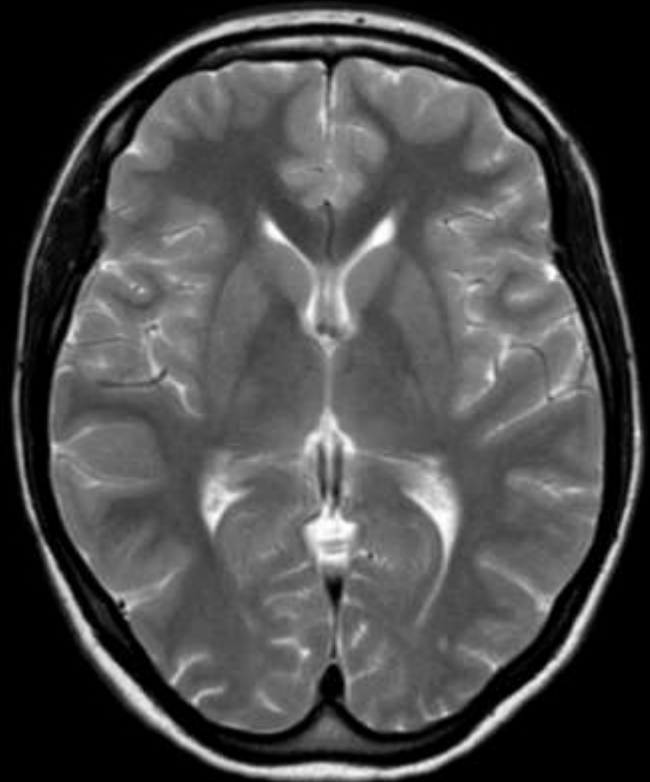
Horizontal section

Tela choroidea
ventriculi
tertii

Plexus
choroideus



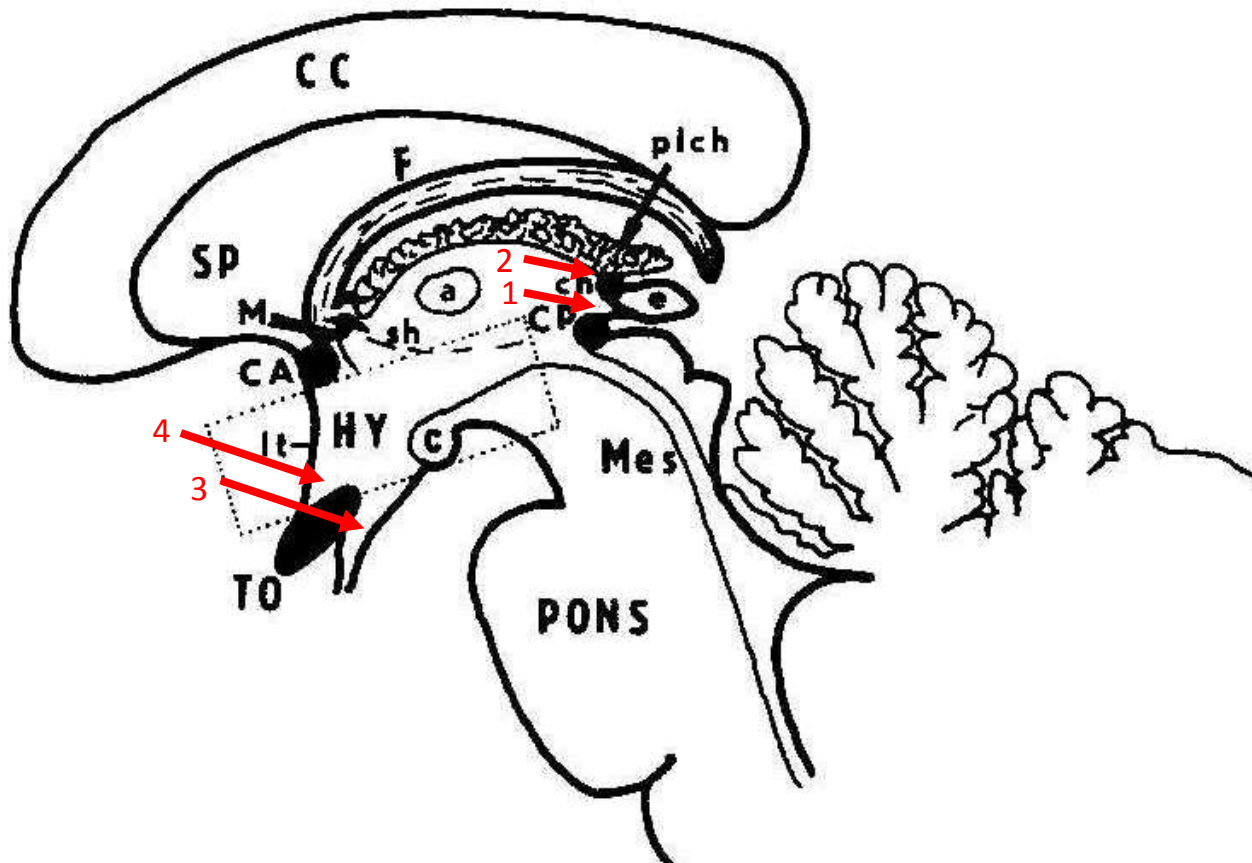
T2W



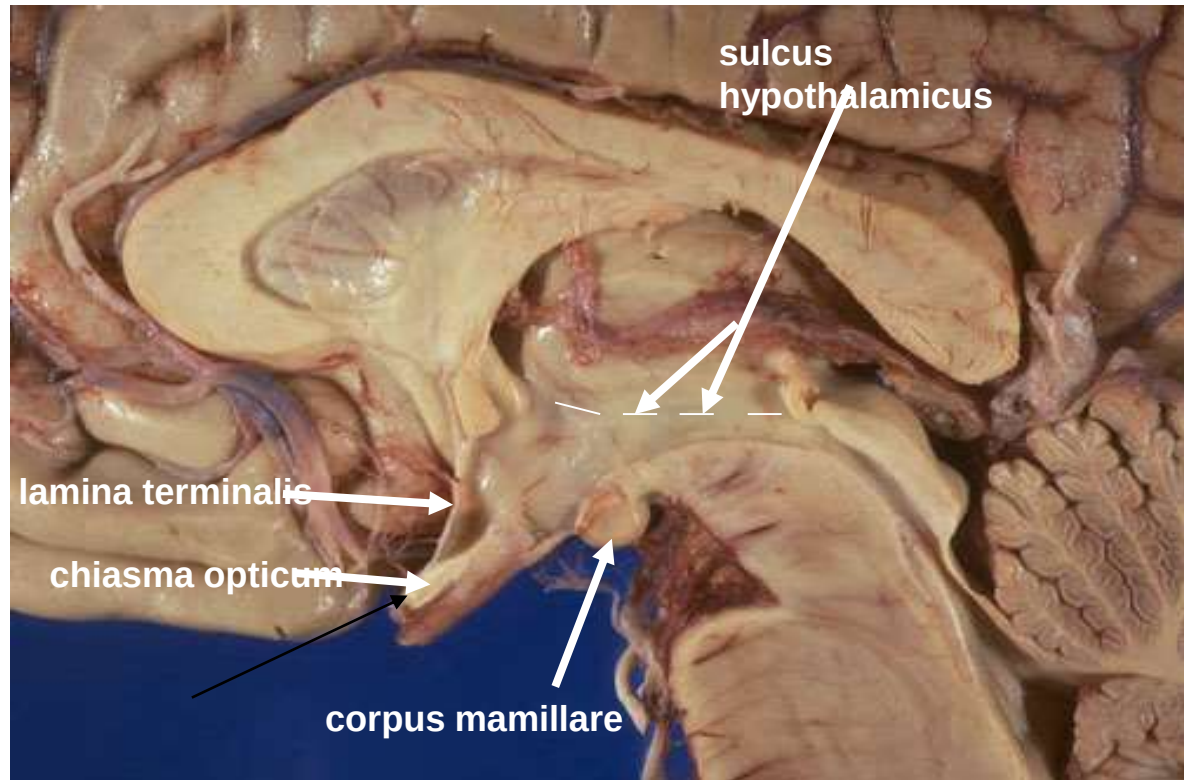
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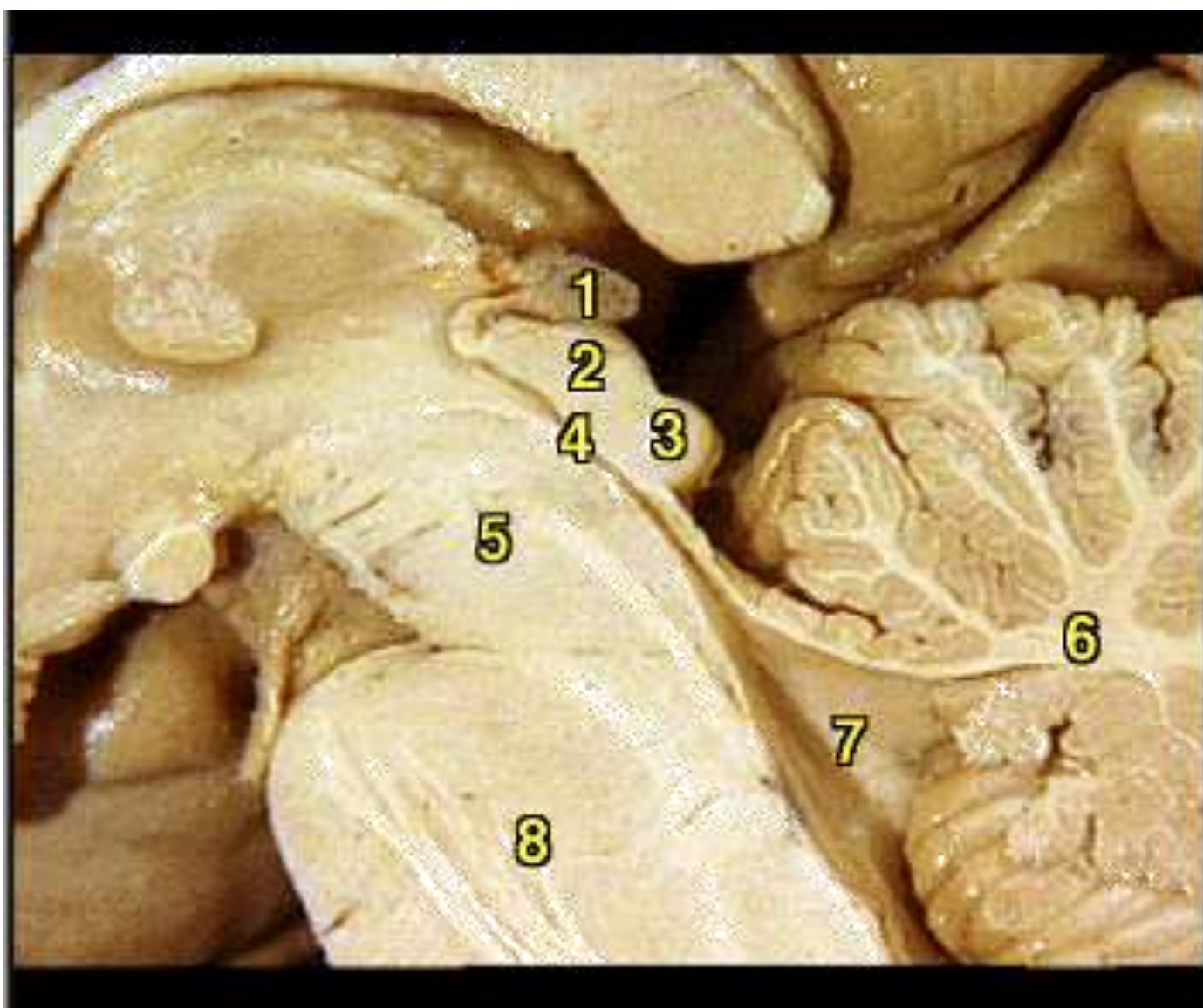
Recesses of the III. ventricle

- 1 pineal 2 suprapineal, 3 infundibular, 4 suprachiasmatic

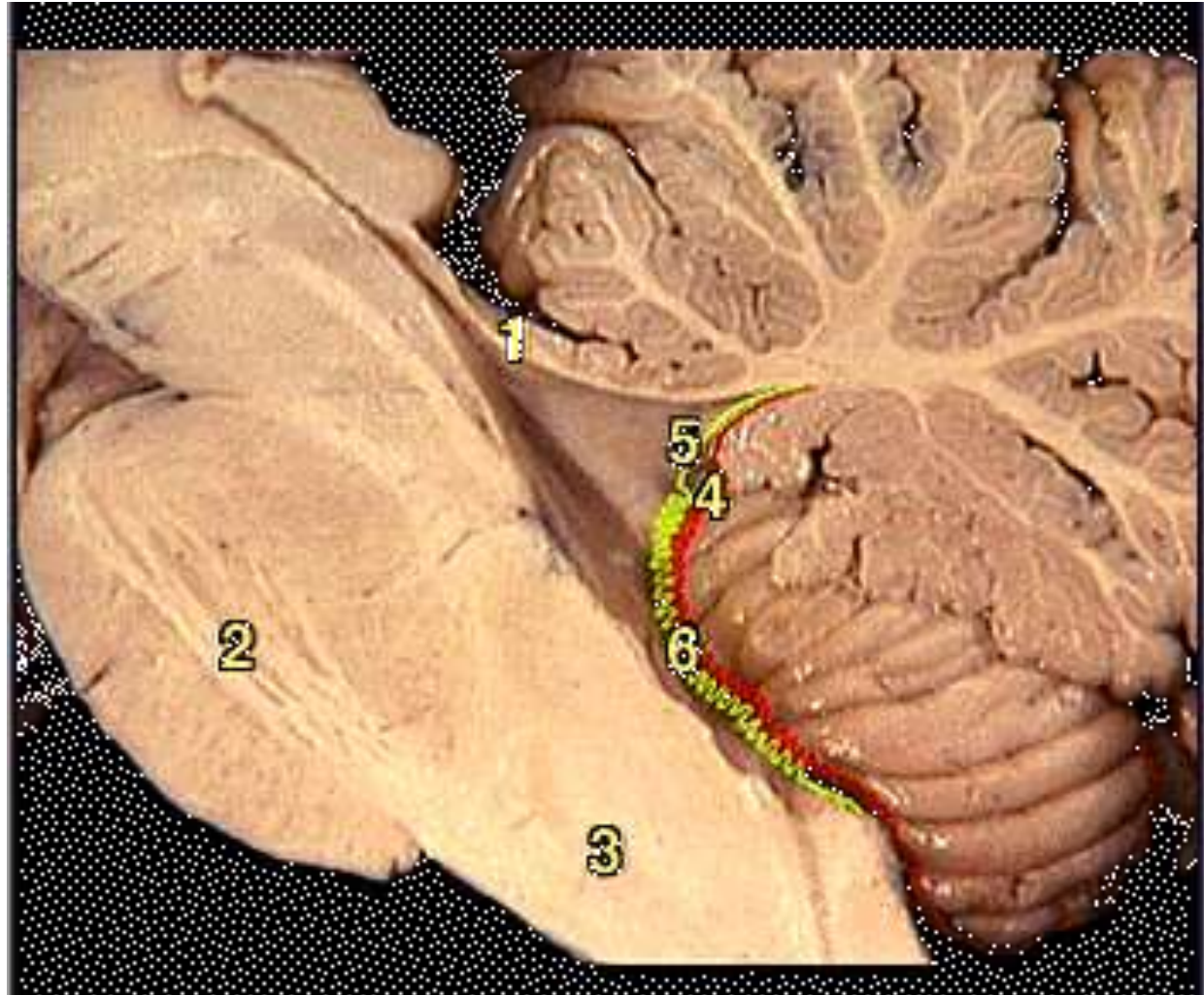


III. ventricle



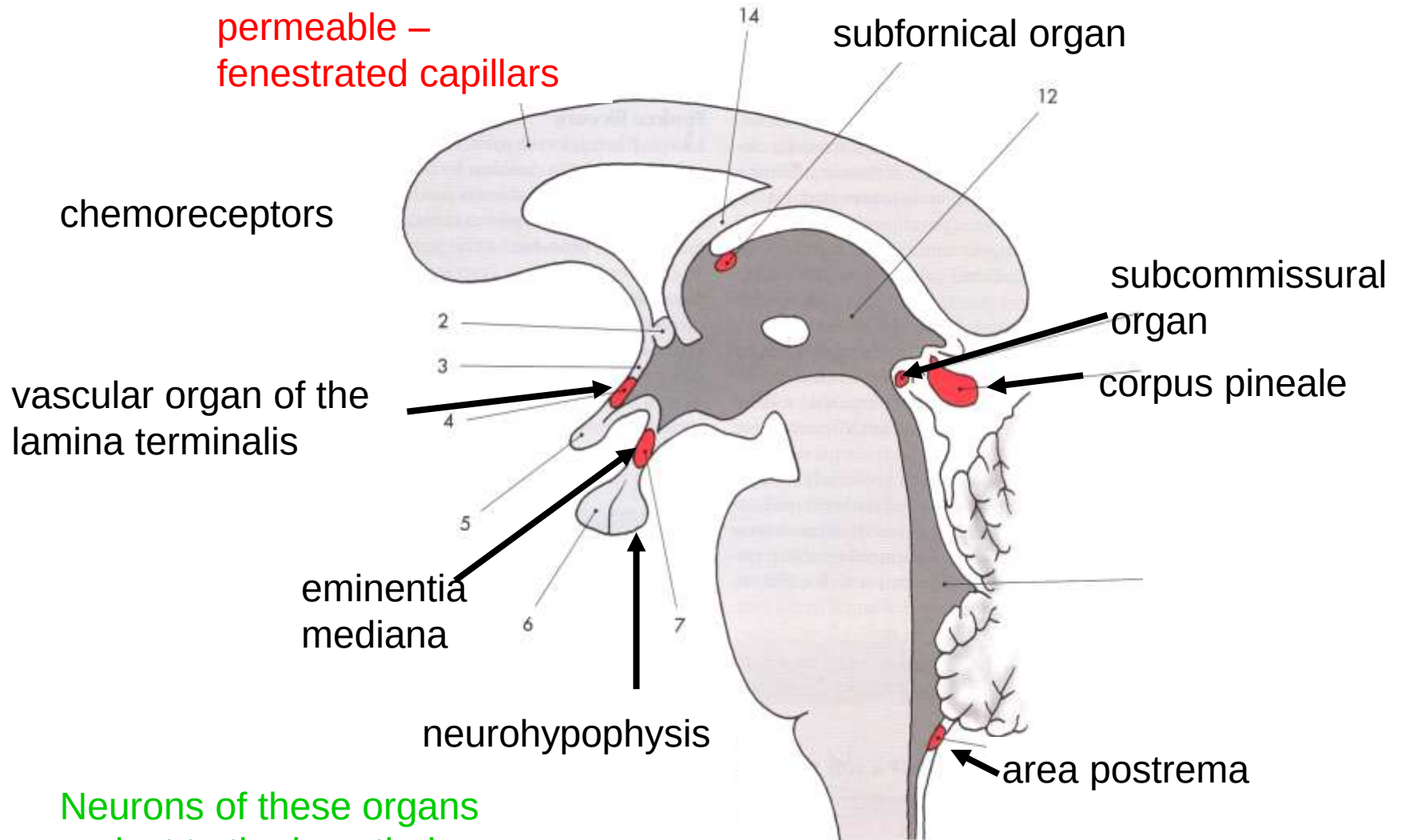


Aquaeduct + IV. ventricle



Circumventricular organs

Blood-brain barrier is permeable – fenestrated capillars

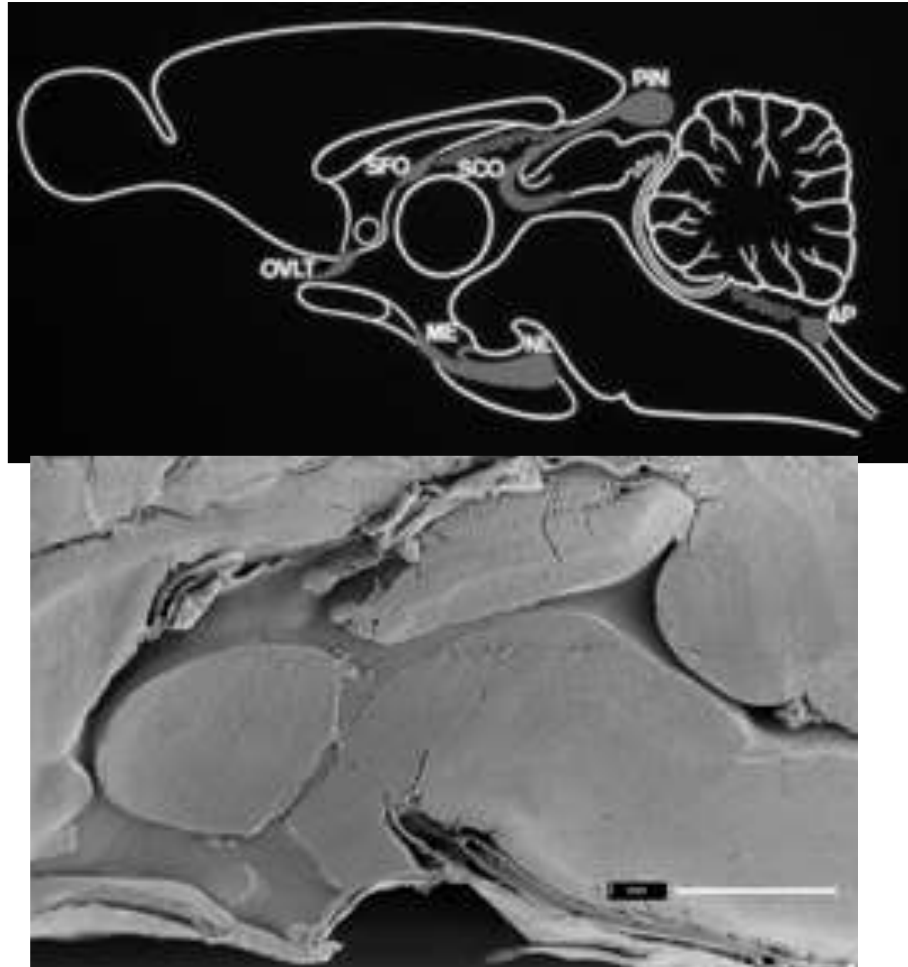


Neurons of these organs project to the hypothalamus

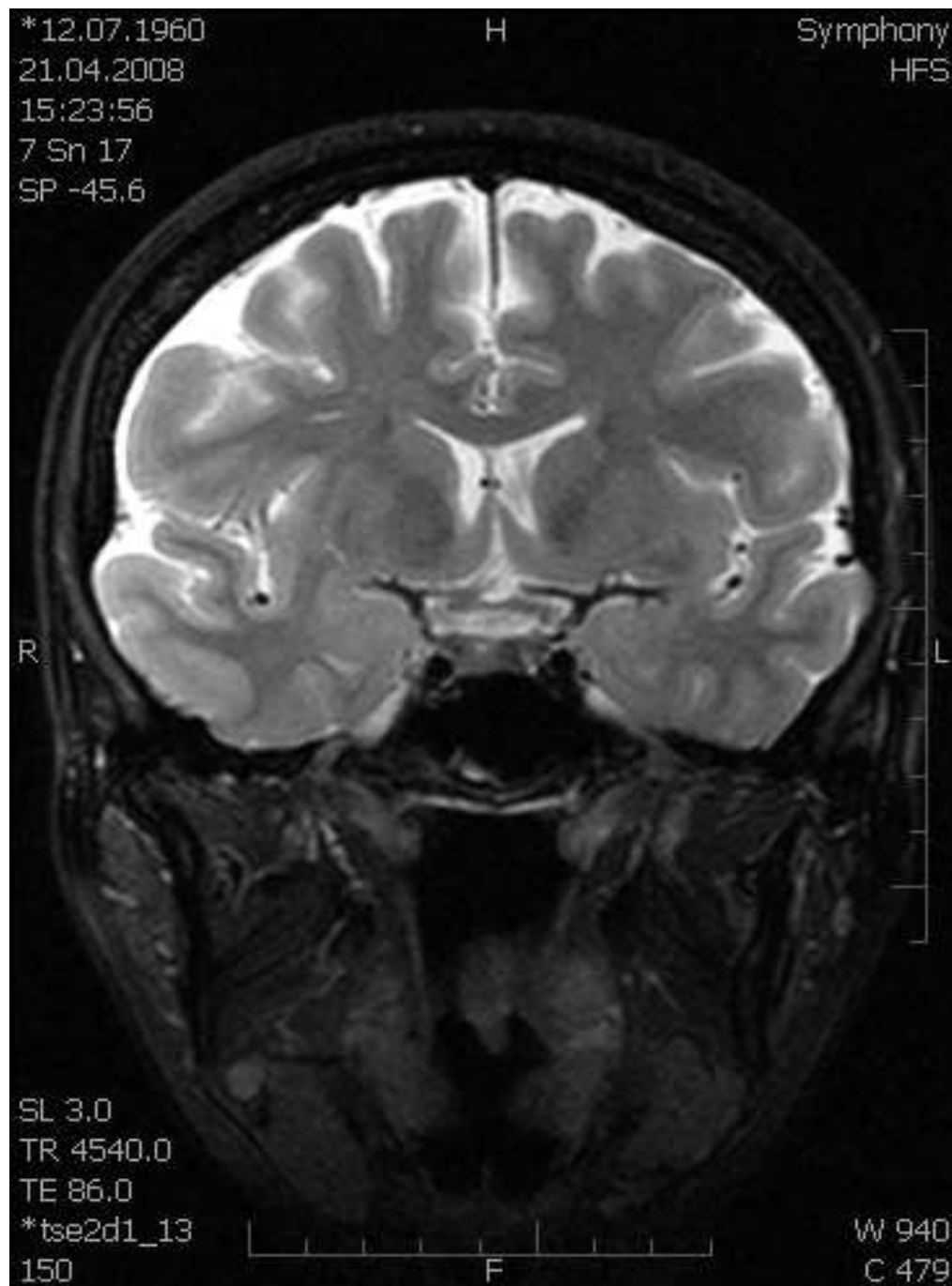
Circumventricular organs in the rat brain

chemoreception

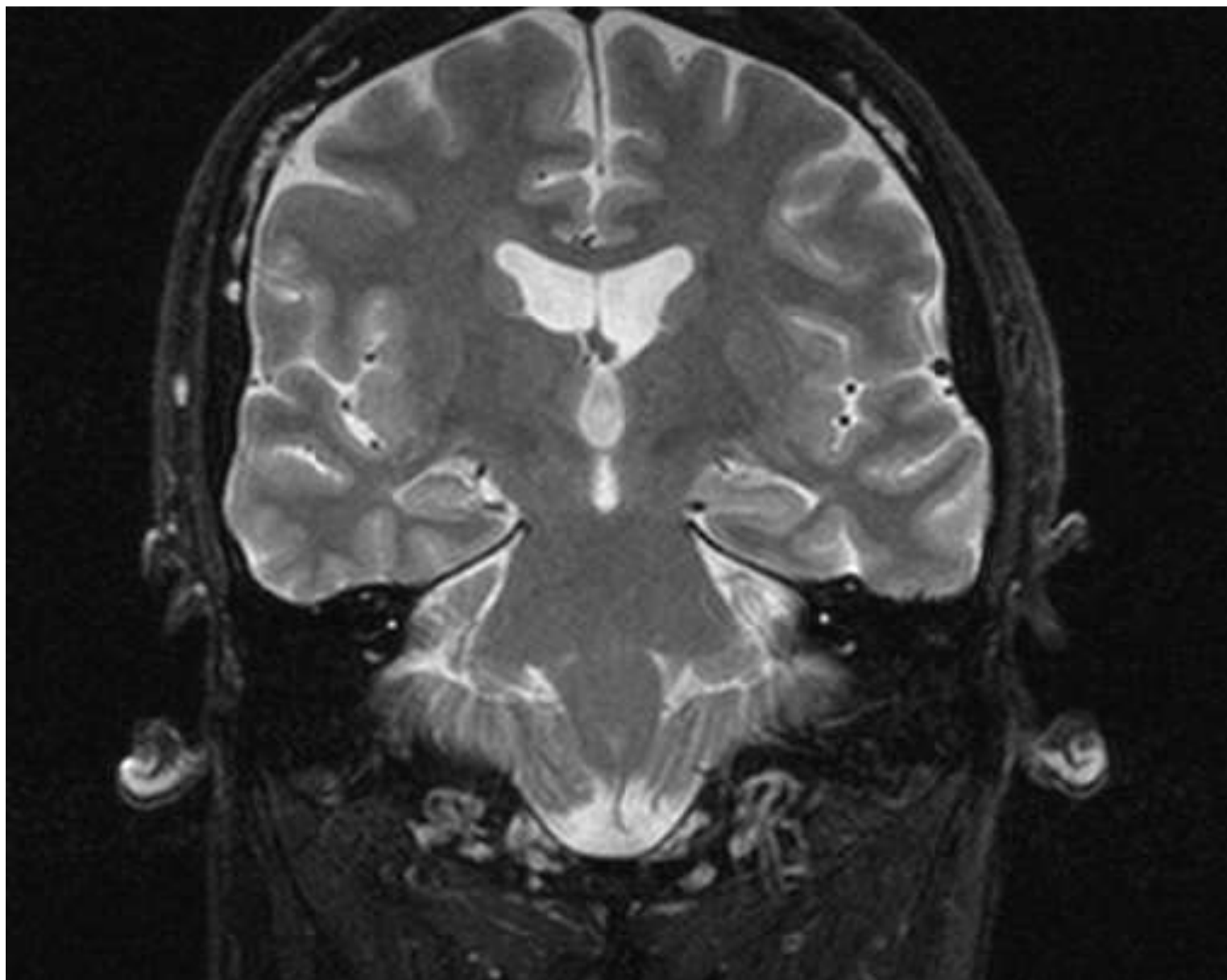
area postrema
organum subfornicale
organum subcommissurale
eminentia mediana
neurohypophysis
corpus pineale
organum vasculosum laminae terminalis



MR – T2



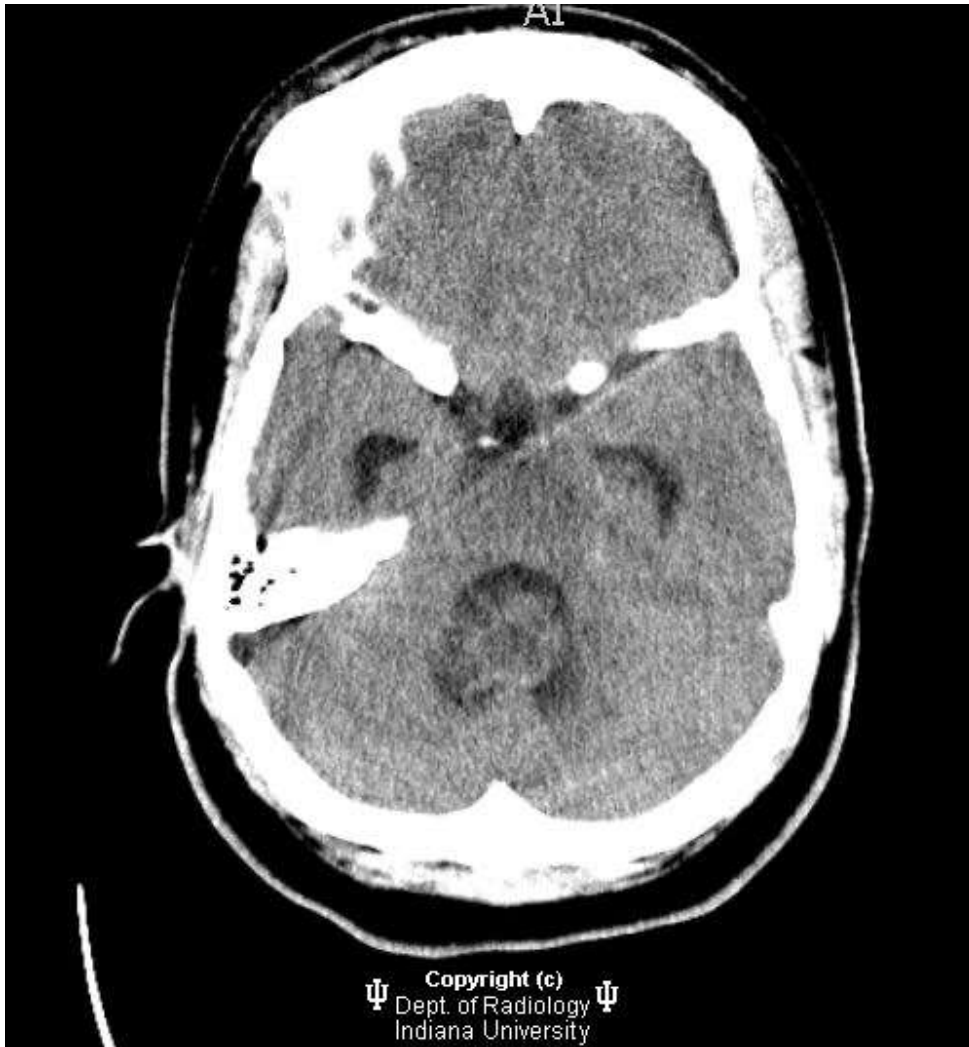
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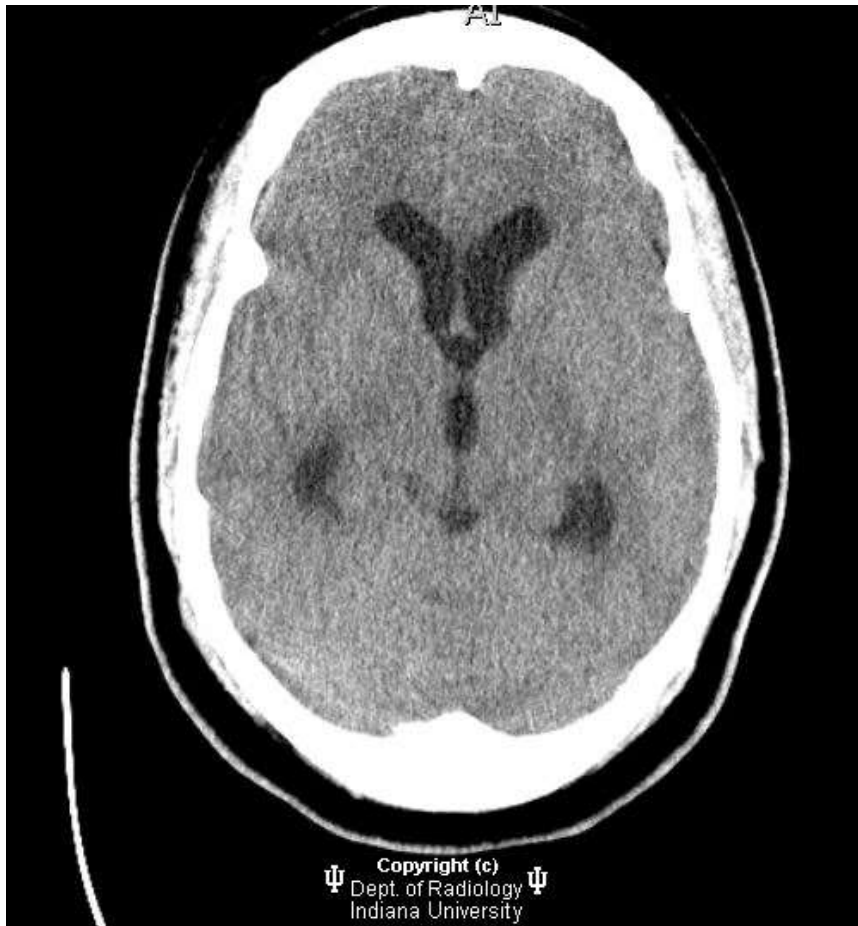


Woman with headaches



- **CT:**
Heterogeneous
2 cm mass
within the
fourth ventricle
causing
hydrocephalus

Significant dilation of the bilateral lateral ventricles and third ventricles secondary to the tumor filling the distended fourth ventricle and outlet foramina



MRI

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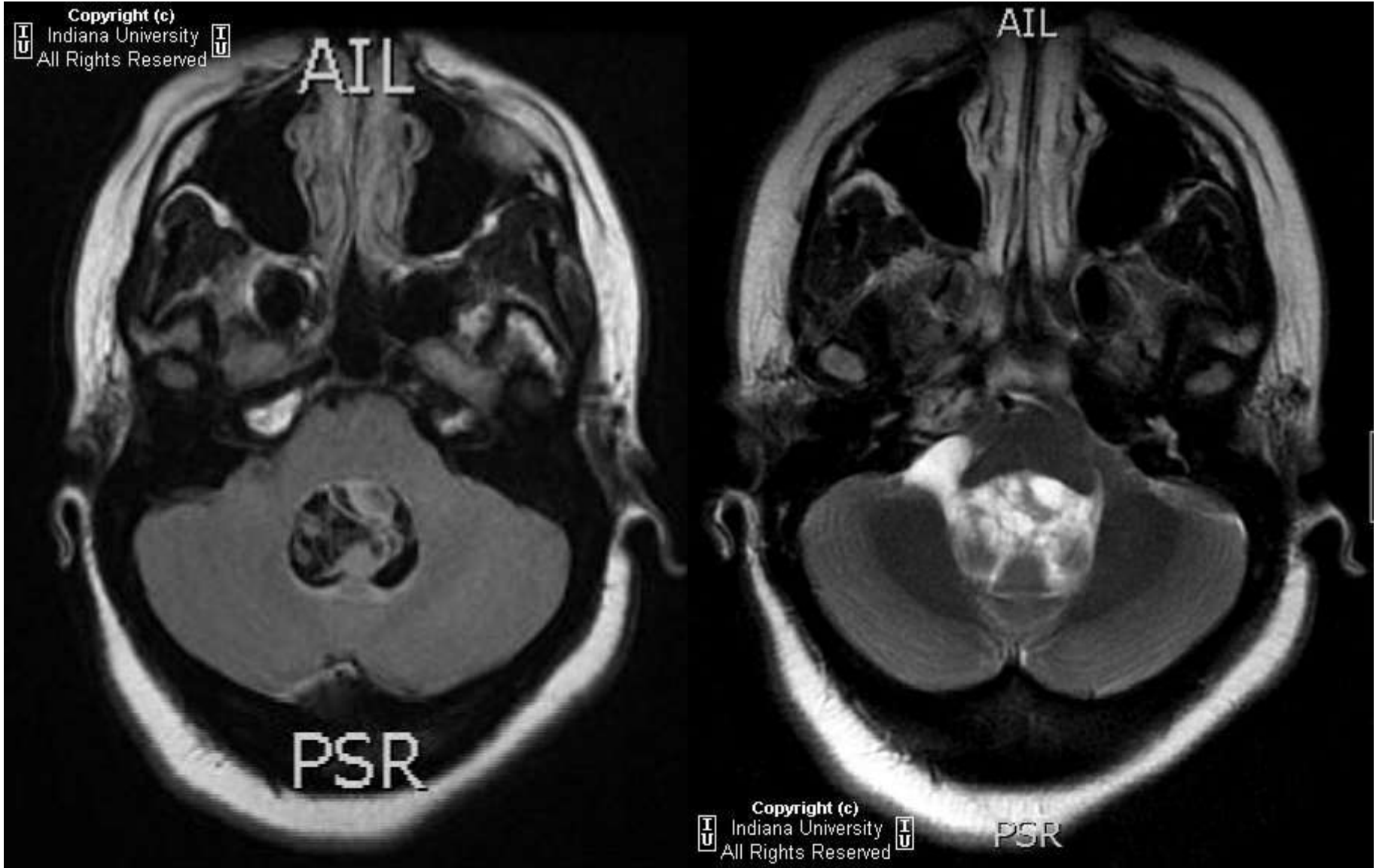
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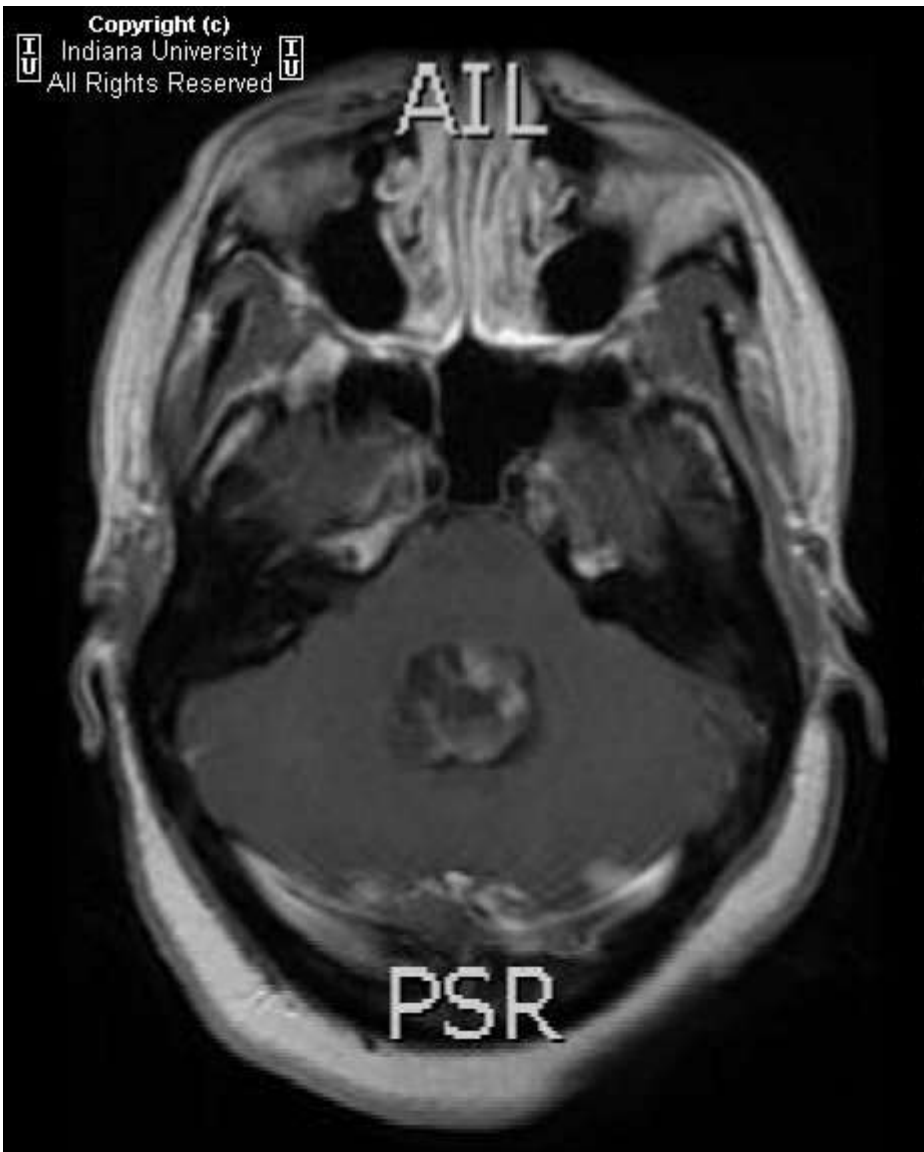
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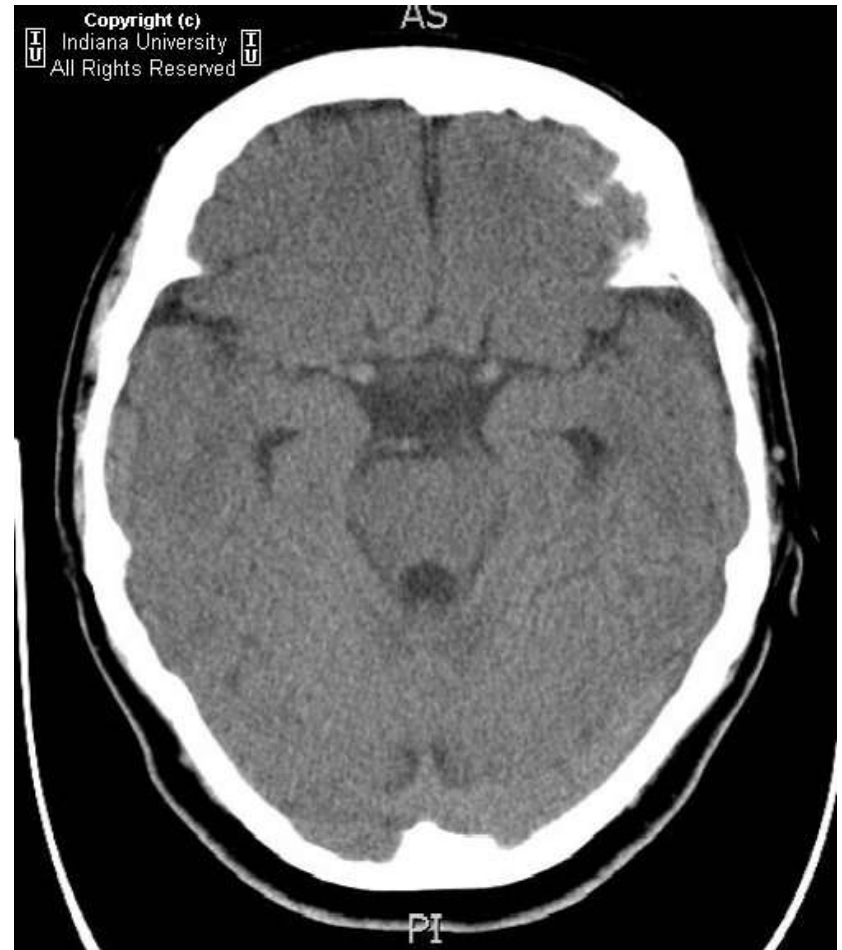


MRI: Large **mixed solid and cystic mass predominantly T1 isointense and T2 hyperintense**) centered within the fourth ventricle with indistinct interface along the 4th ventricular floor. The small solid components of the intraventricular mass enhance avidly. A moderate degree of obstructive hydrocephalus is present, with significant **dilation of the bilateral lateral ventricles and third ventricles secondary to the tumor filling the distended fourth ventricle and outlet foramina.**

Ependymoma:

- Arise from ependymal cells or ependymal cell rests.
- > 60% are located in the fourth ventricle
- More common in children than adults
- "Soft" tumor which accommodates to shape of cisterns or ventricles and often extends into cerebellar pontine angle or cisterna magna.
- Heterogeneous on CT often with calcifications
- On MRI is T1 isointense and T2 hyperintense
- Generally contains enhancing portions, but variable
- Can be associated the NF2 (chromosome 22 defect)
- Most common presentation is child with headache and vomiting.
- Bimodal age distribution: 5 and 30.
- Treatment: surgical resection +/- chemo/radiation therapy
- 5 year survival 60-70%.
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60-year woman with worsening cognitive impairment and gait disturbance







**Substantial enlargement of the 3rd, 4th, and lateral ventricles.
Relative normal appearance of sulci for age.
No evidence of substantial vascular pathology.**

Normal pressure hydrocephalus

- Classical clinical triad of **dementia, gait disturbance, and urinary incontinence** is seen with normal pressure hydrocephalus.
- Symptoms result from distortion of white matter by distended ventricles.
- Patients commonly have a history of prior SAH or meningeal infection.
- Gradient between ventricular system and subarachnoid space due to incomplete subarachnoid block.
- **Radiographic key: Diffuse ventriculomegaly out of proportion to sulcal prominence.**
- **Not a radiographic diagnosis. Diagnosis made by improvement of symptoms after shunting.**
- **Radioisotope cisternogram shows early entry into the lateral ventricles with persistence at 24-48 hours and delayed ascent to parasagittal regions.**
- **Flow void can be seen through the aqueduct of Sylvius on MR due to increased flow velocity**

Normal pressure hydrocephalus

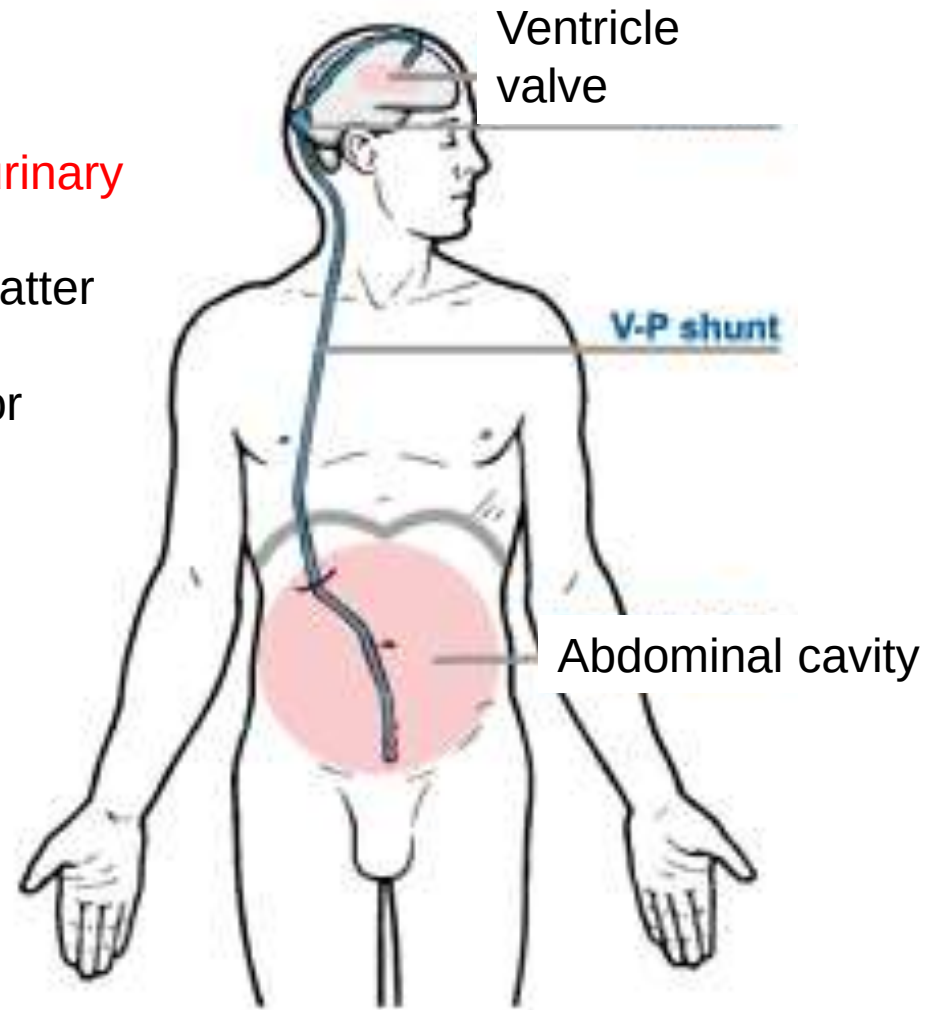
From decreased absorption

Trias: Dementia, gait abnormalities, urinary incontinence

From the compression of the white matter by enlarged ventricles

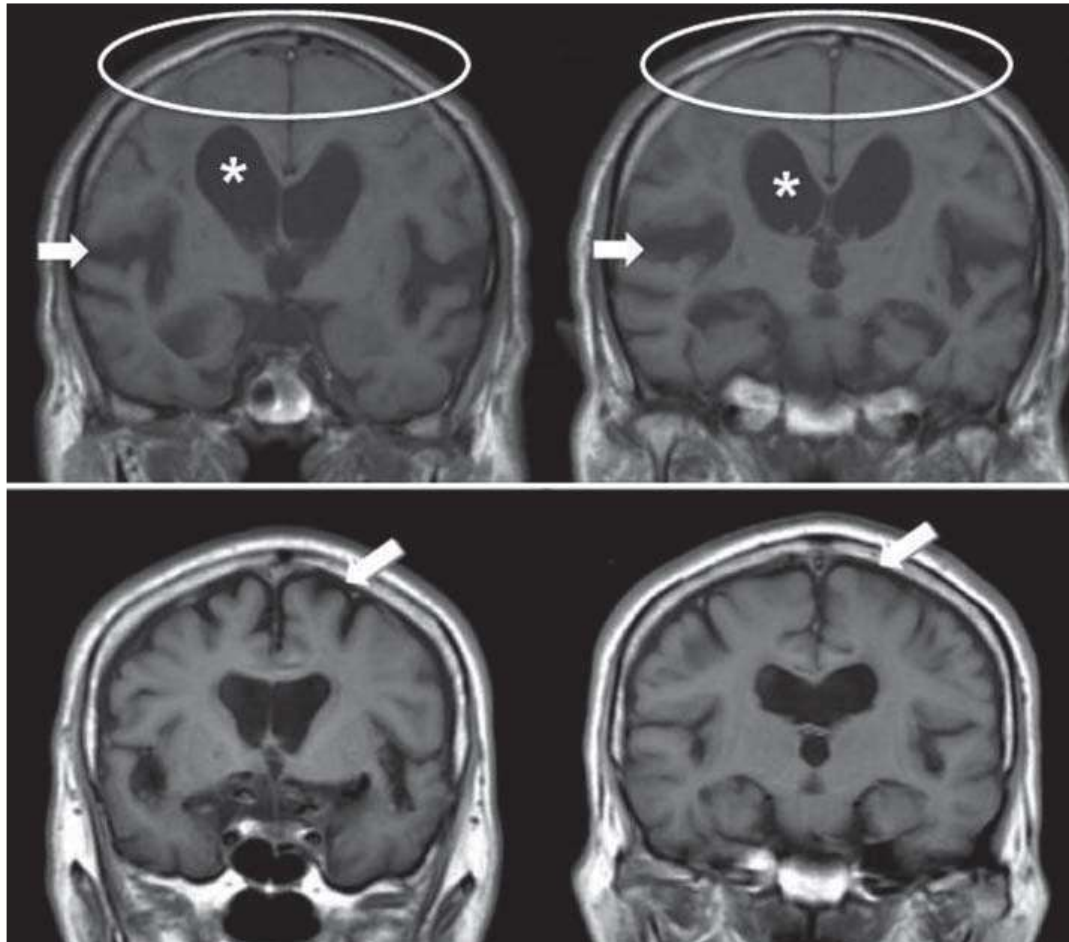
Often after subarachnoid hemorrhage or meningitis

The only treatable dementia



Sameš, Ústí nad Labem

Normal pressure hydrocephalus (NPH)



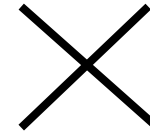
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Upper figures

Typical MRI in NPH coronal plane T1W

Dilated ventricles (*), flattened gyri and no sulci (oval) and increased Sylvian fissura (arrow).

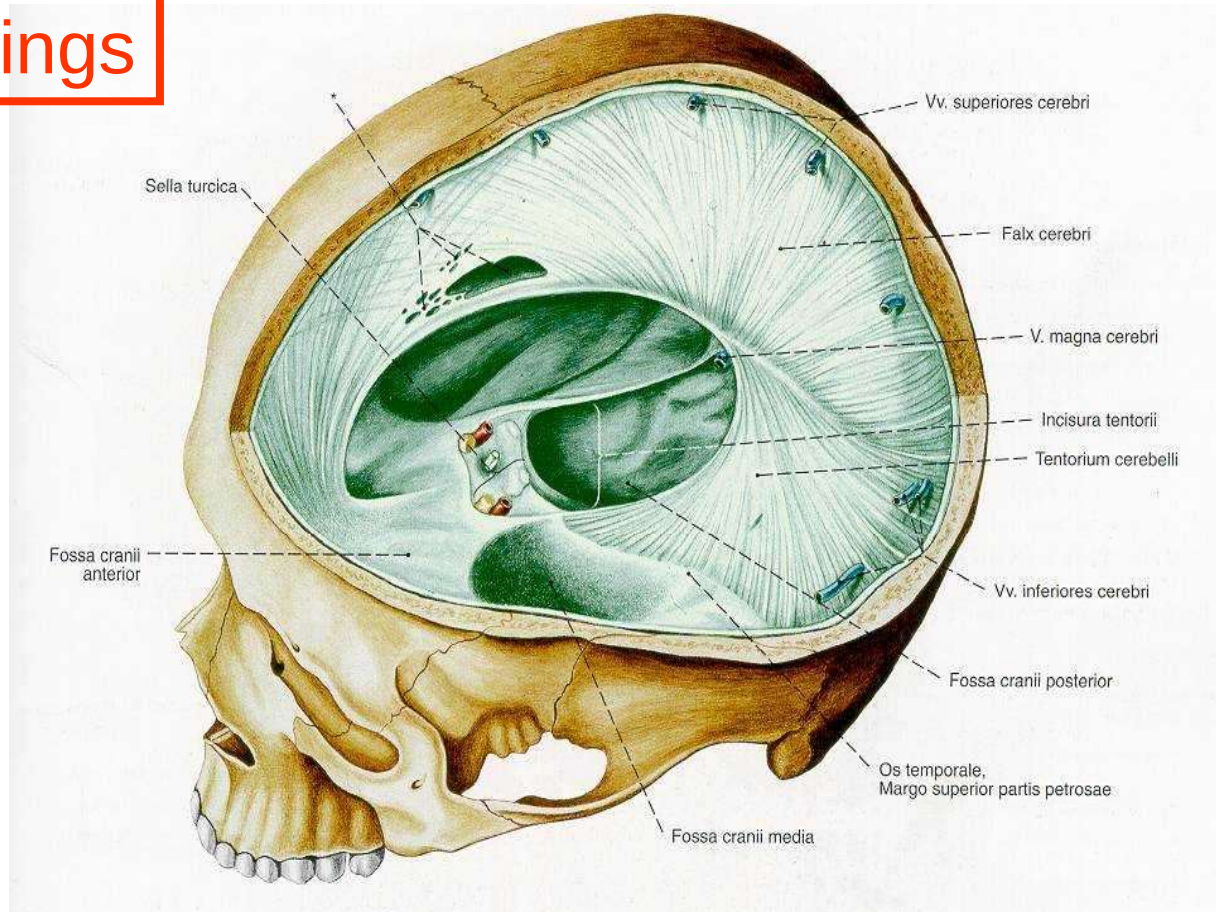


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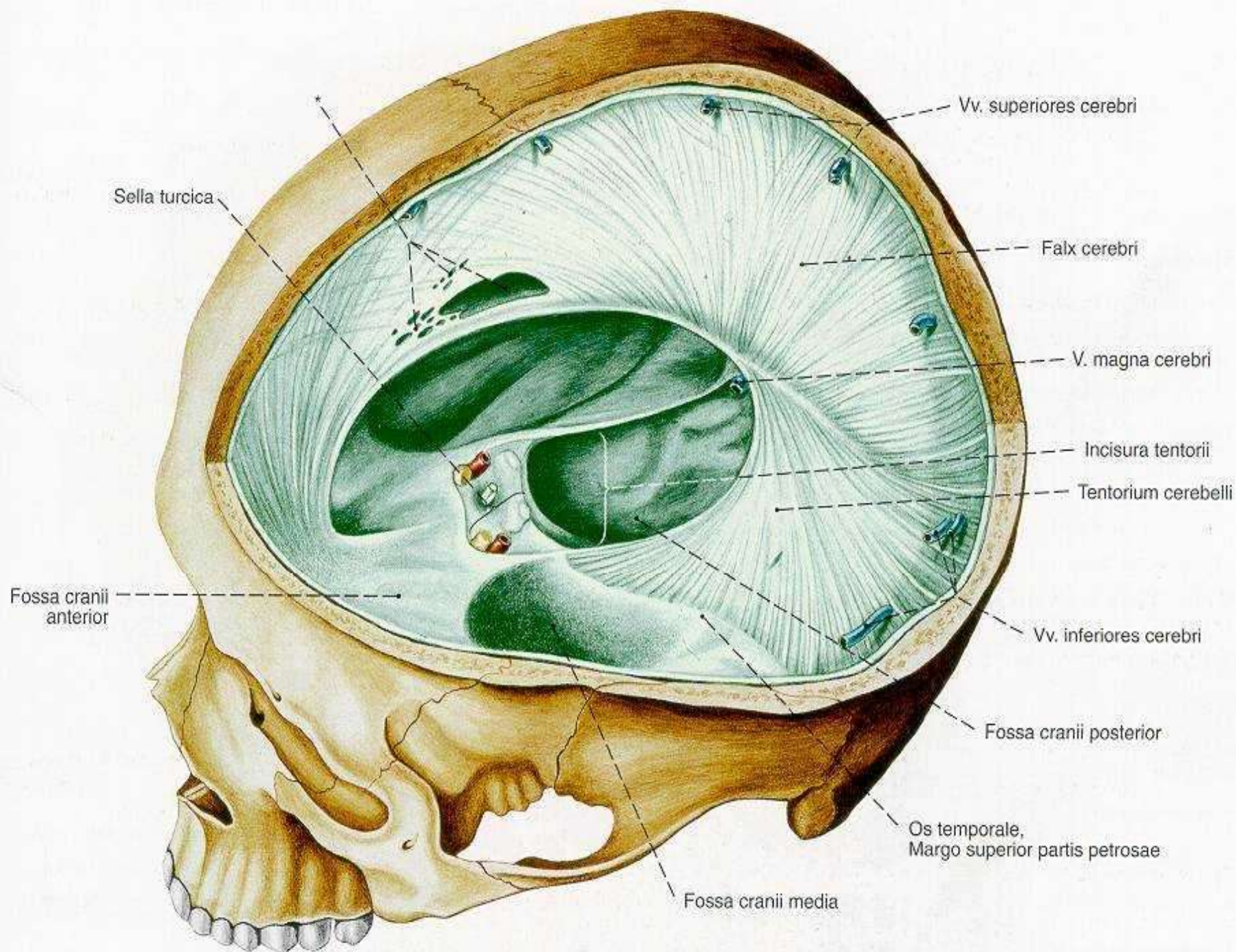
diffuse dilatation of subarachnoid spaces (arrow) and enlarged ventricles

Brain atrophy

Coverings

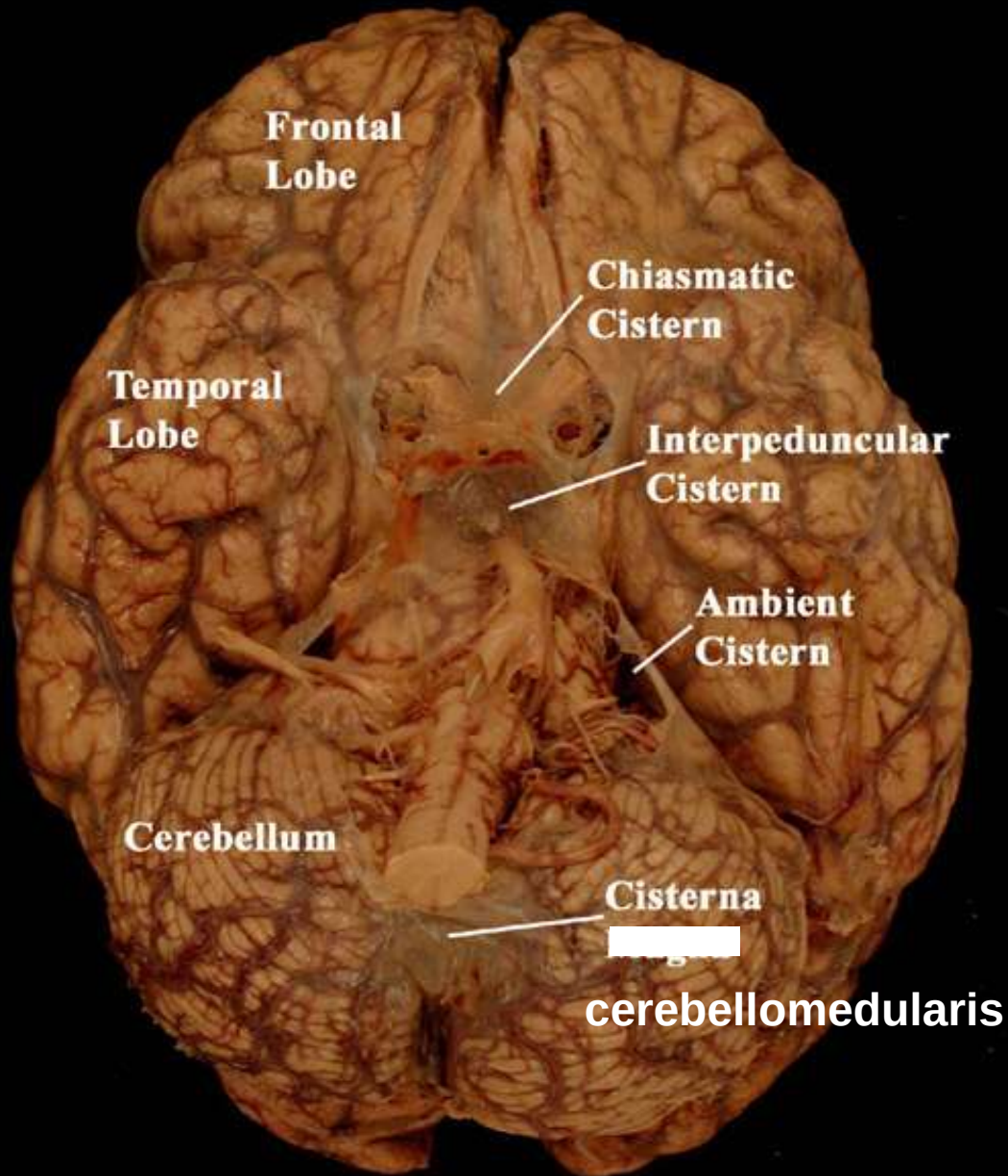


Dura mater outermost layer
closely attached to the periosteum
Makes a wall of sinuses
Divides the hemispheres
Divides the cerebellum and occipital lobes
Divides subdural and epidural space





Arachnoid layer covering the Subarachnoid Cisterns



ARACHNOID

thin avascular membrane
not reaching the deeper fissures
Divides subdural and
subarachnoidal space

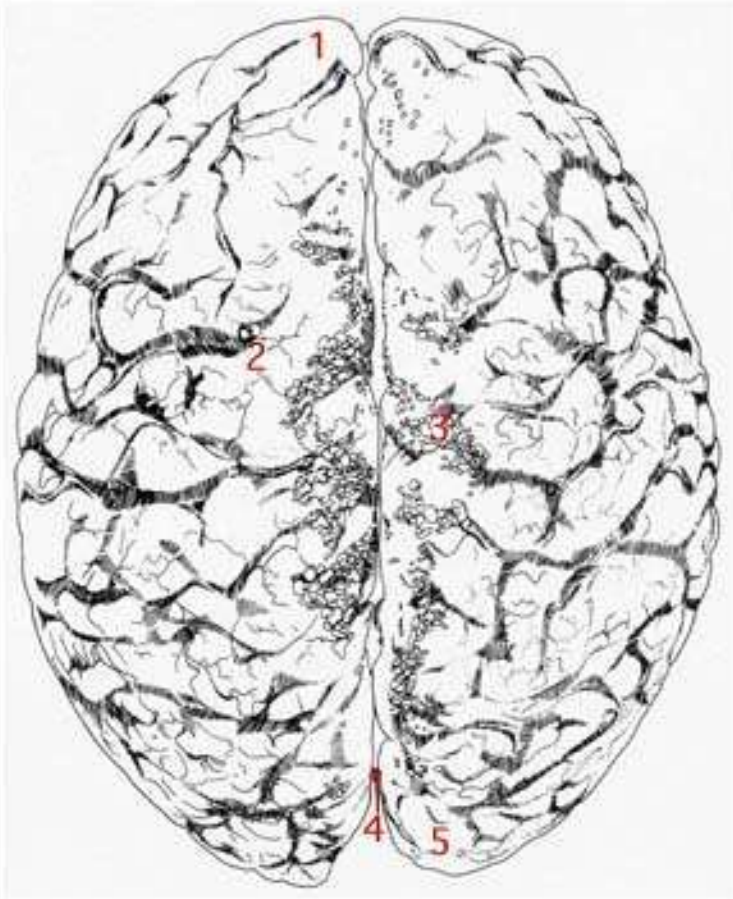
PIA MATER

Vascular layer closely attached to
the brain surface

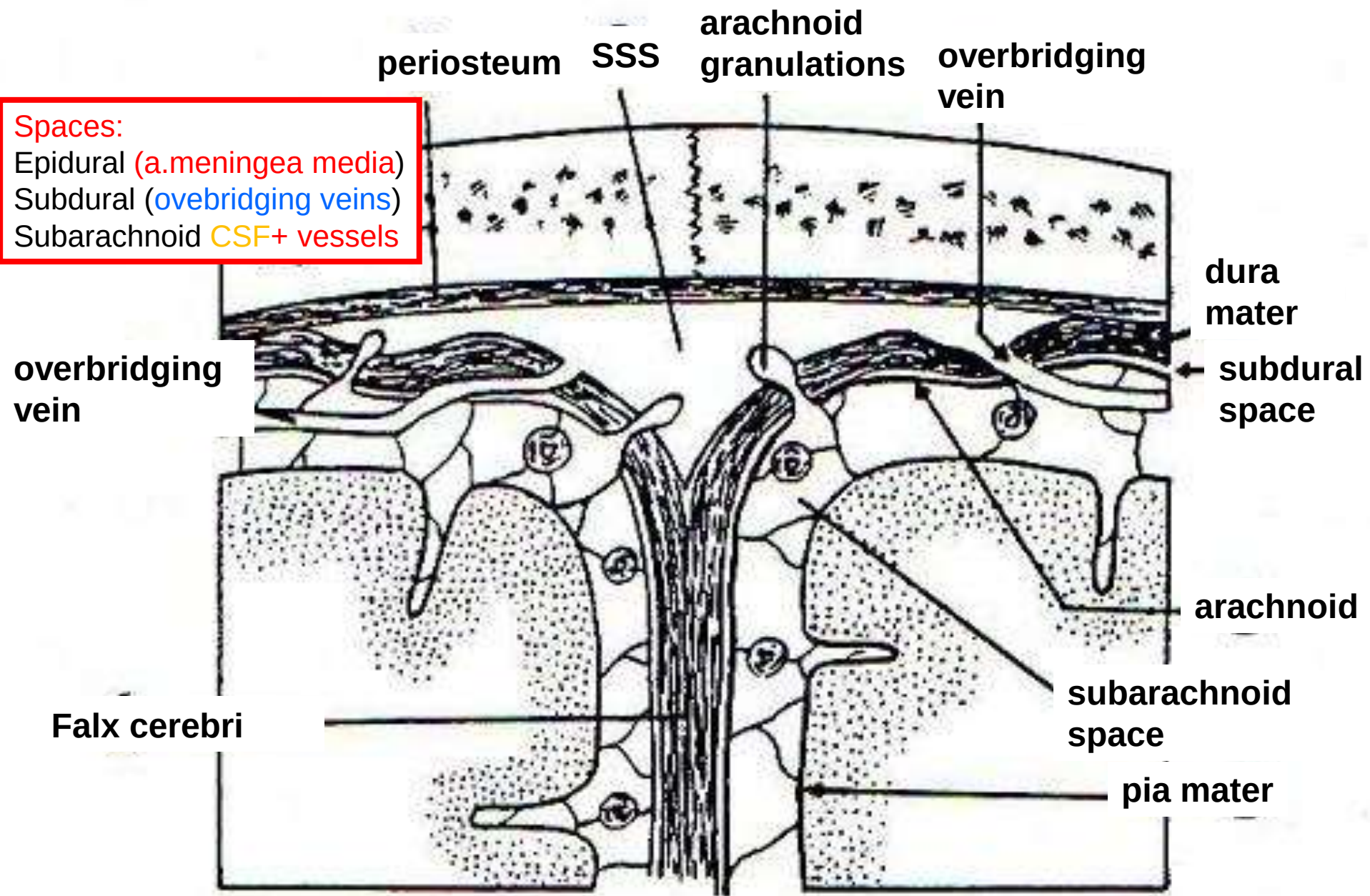
Cisternae subarachnoidales

Cisterna fossae lateralis cerebri
Cisterna pontis
Cisterna laminae quadrigeminae
Cisterna corporis callosi

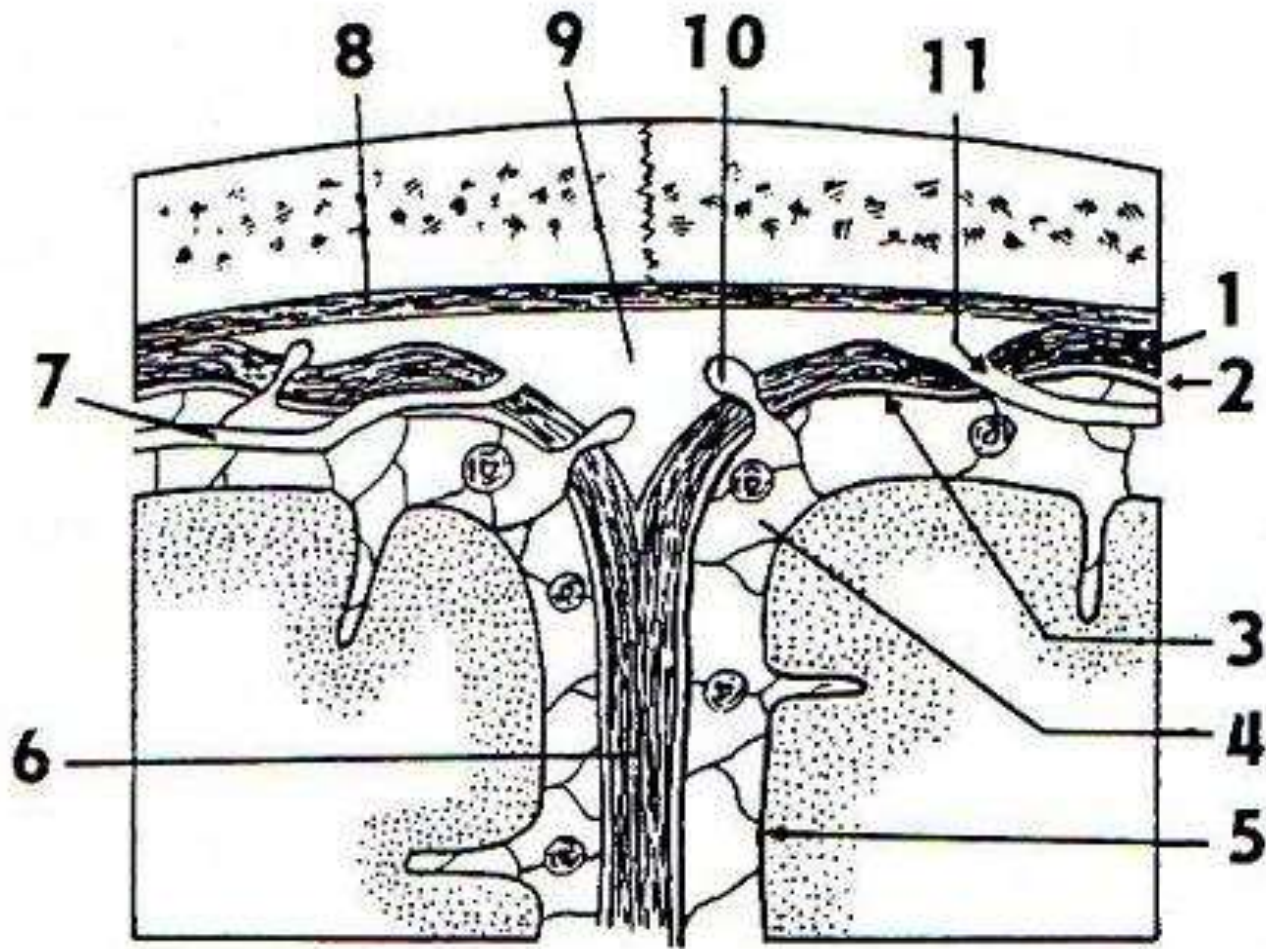
Granulationes arachnoidales

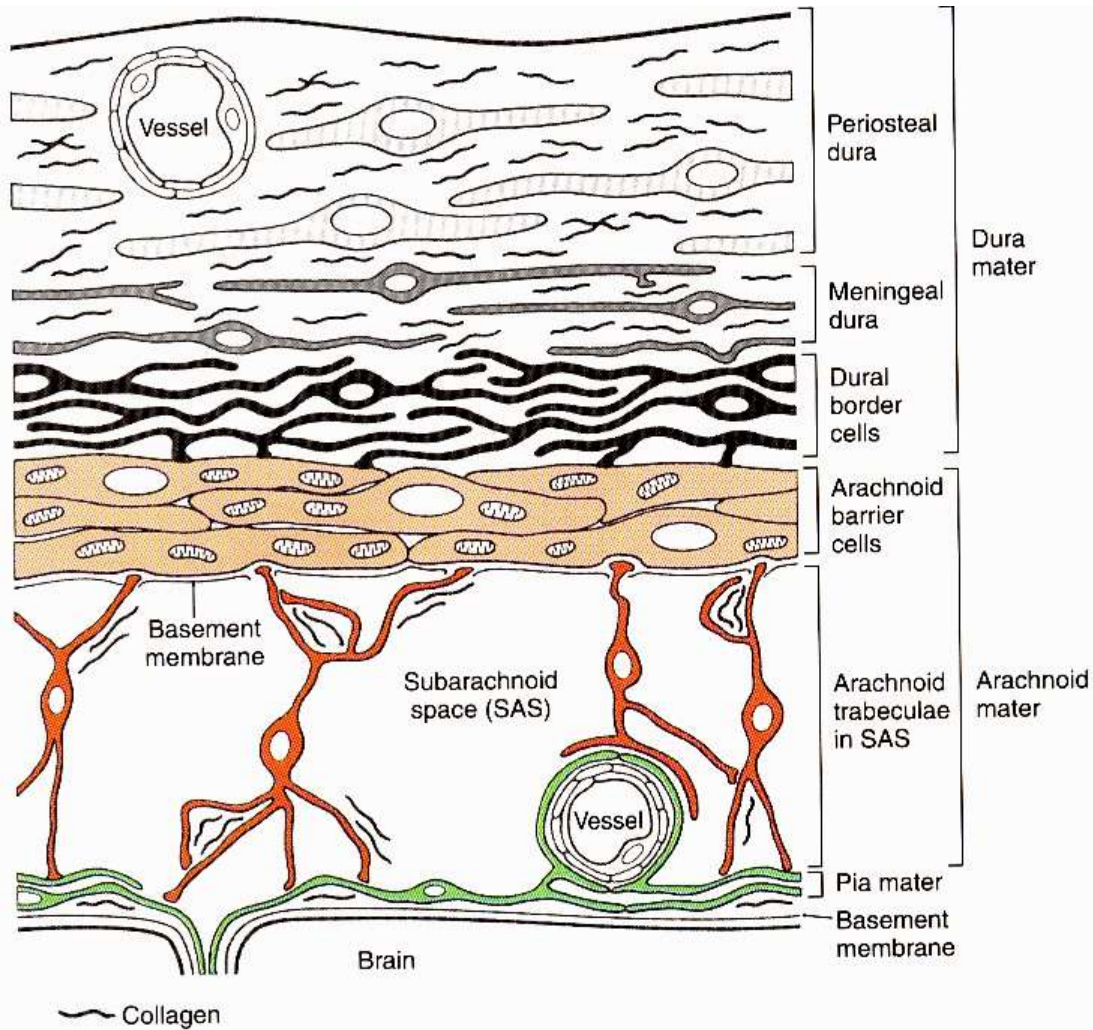


Spaces:
Epidural (a.meningea media)
Subdural (overbridging veins)
Subarachnoid CSF+ vessels



Repetition





Dura mater
 Arachnoidea
 Pia mater

Spinal cord - meninges

Endorhachis

Cavitas epiduralis – žilní pleteně

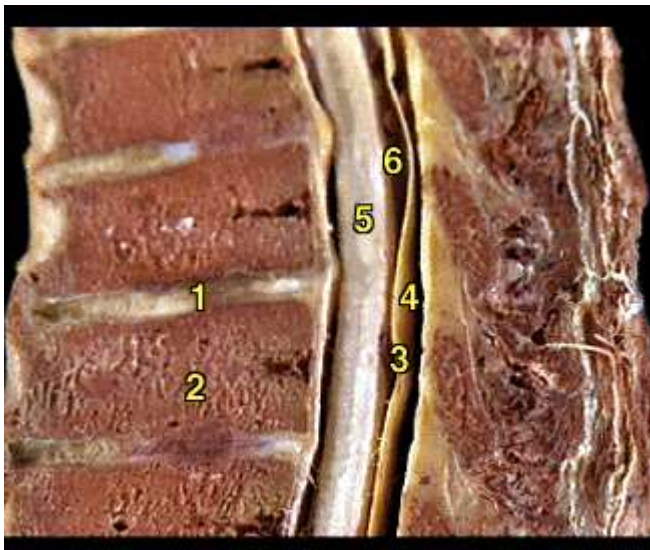
Dura mater spinalis

Cavum subdurale

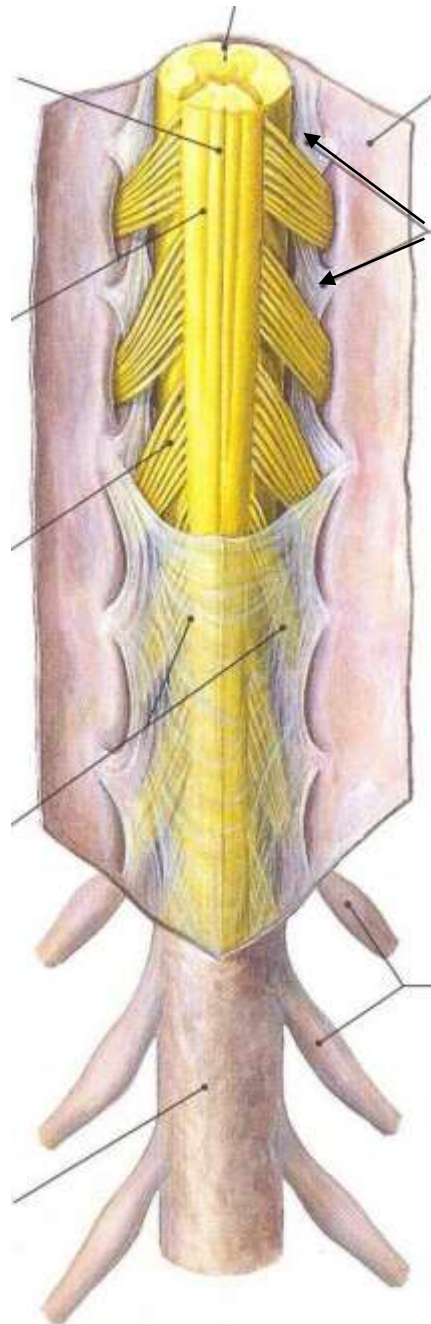
Arachnoidea – lig. denticulatum

Cavitas subarachnoidalis

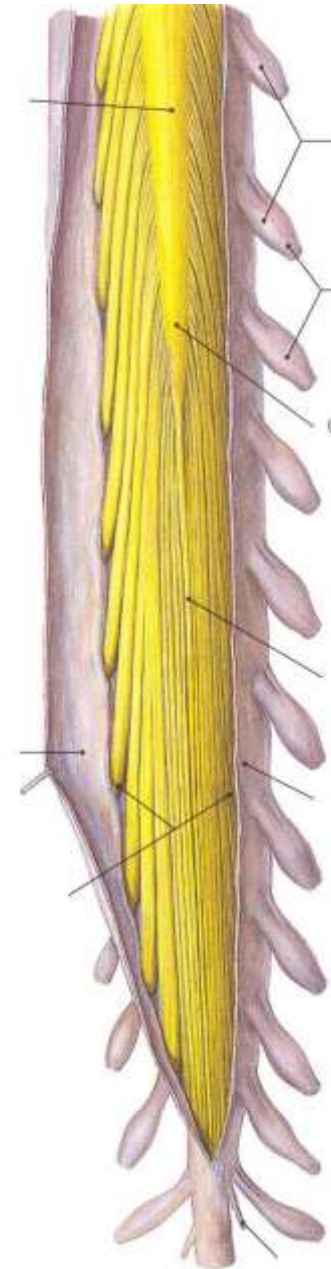
Pia mater spinalis



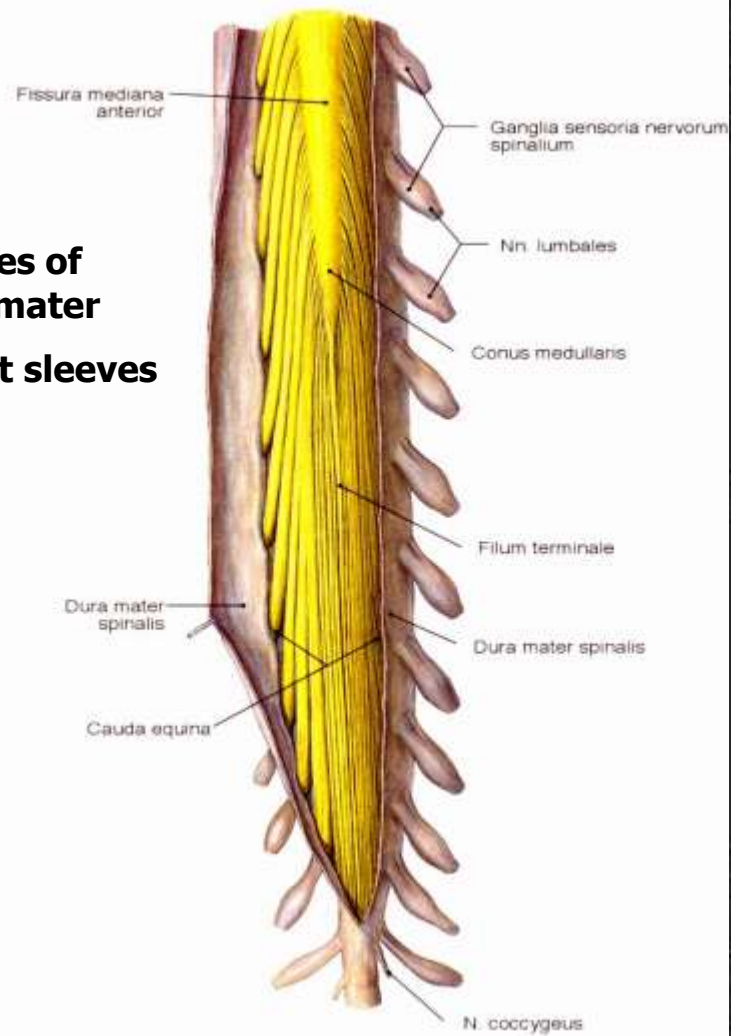
Spinal cord
meninges



Denticulate
ligament



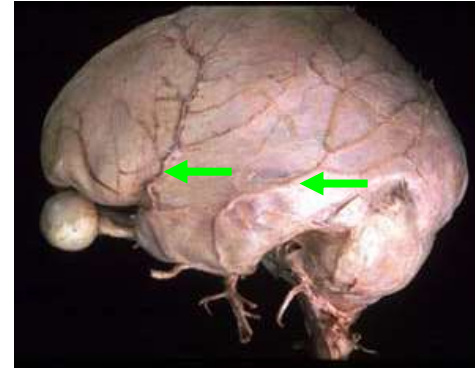
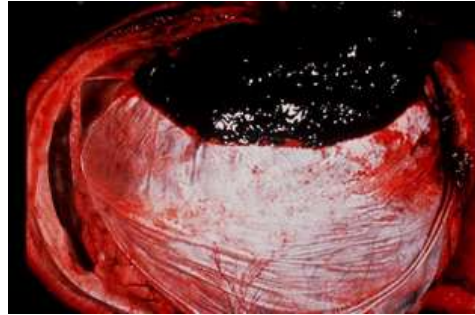
**Sleeves of
dura mater
= root sleeves**



Intracranial hemorrhage

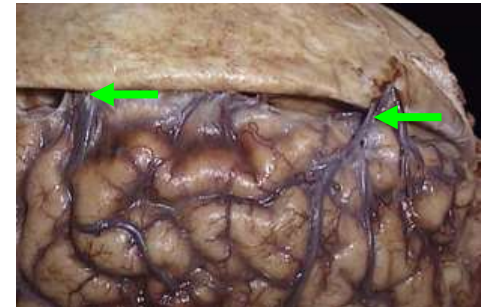
Epidural

From middle meningeal artery.



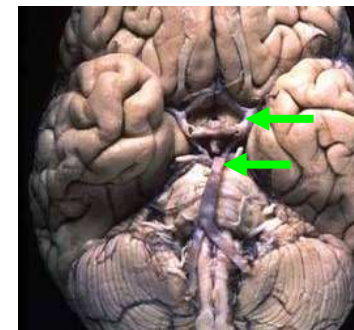
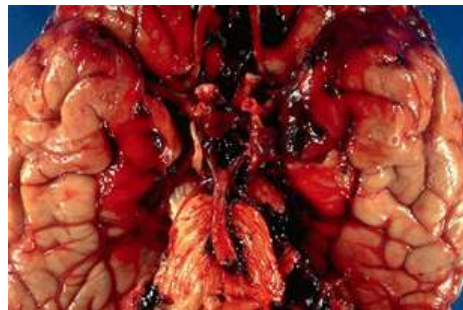
Subdural

From bridging veins



Subarachnoid

From Willis circuit



Blood supplying

Vertebrobasilar system

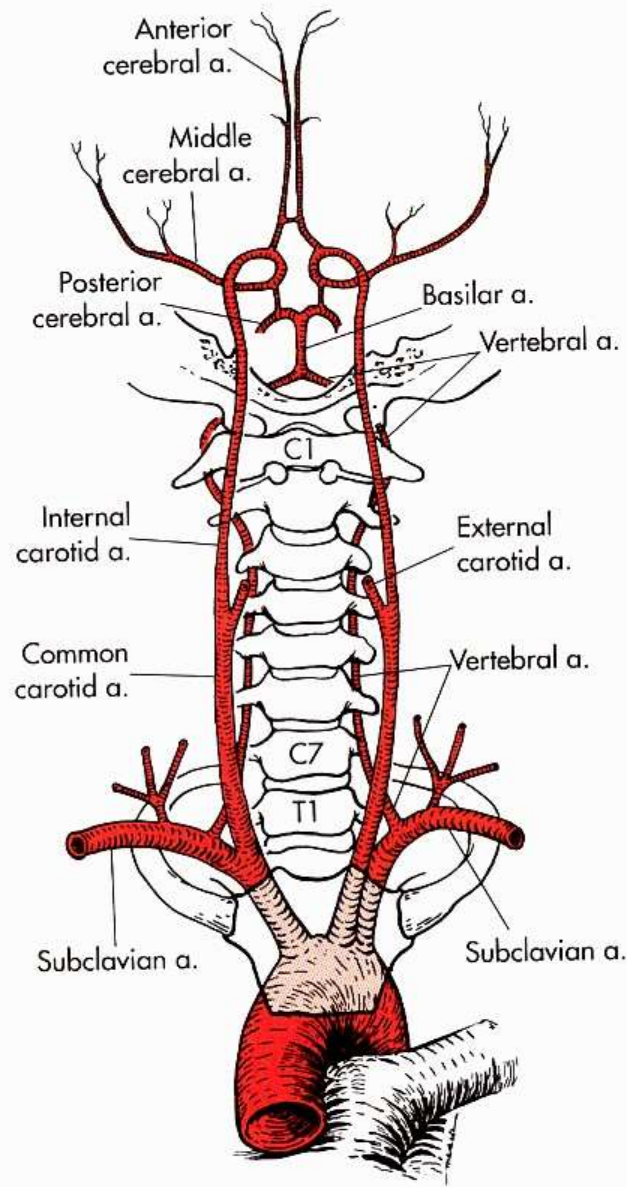
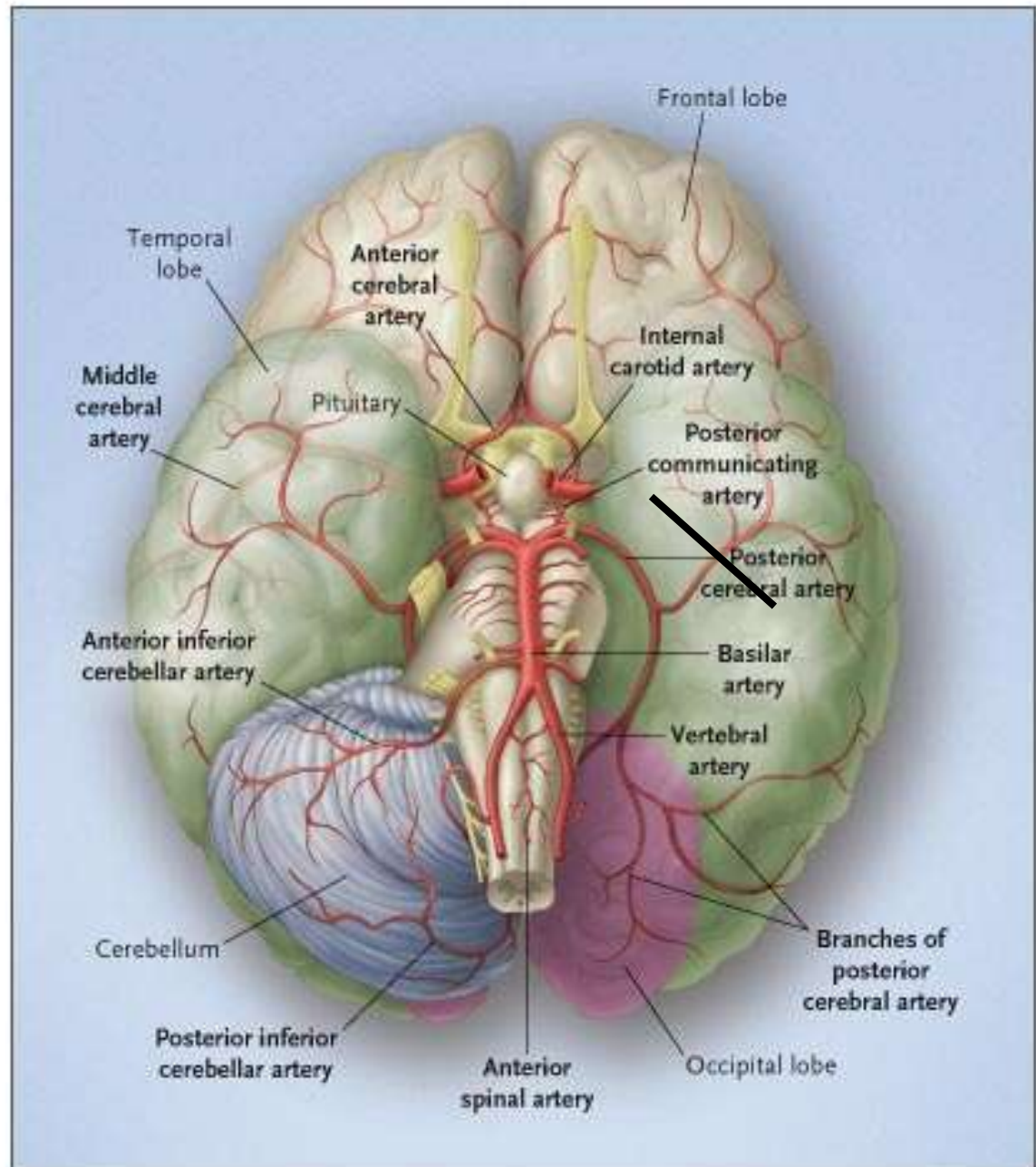


FIGURE 6-2

Origins of the arterial supply of the brain. a, Artery. (From Osborn AG: *Introduction to cerebral angiography*, Hagerstown, 1980, Harper & Row.)

Brain arteries (Willis circuit

- Communication between vertebral and a. carotis interna systems
- **Anterior and posterior communicating arteries** allow blood to flow between both systems (PCA) or between right and left vessels (ACA)

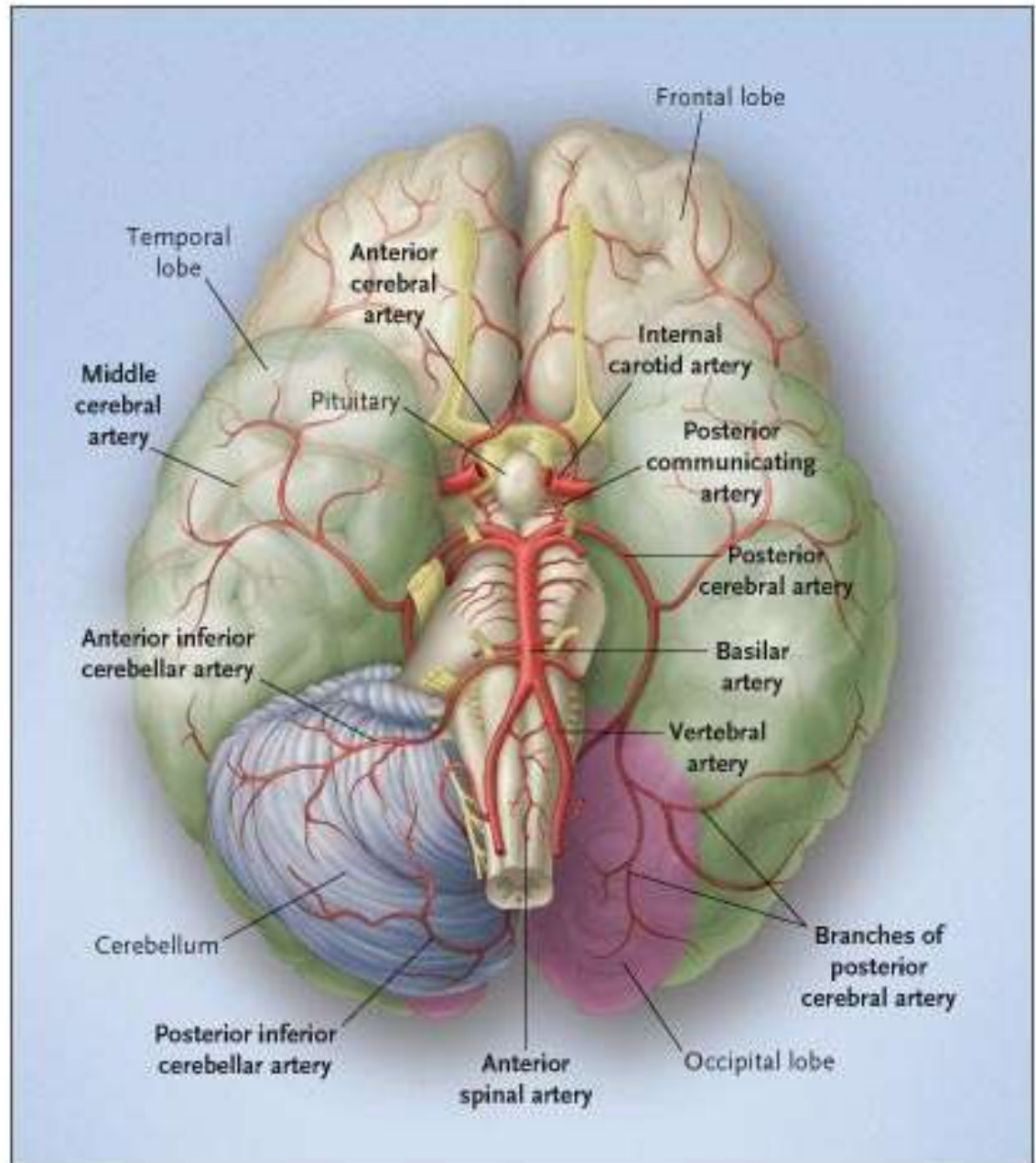


**ARTERIA CAROTIS
INTERNA
ARTERIA VERTEBRALIS**

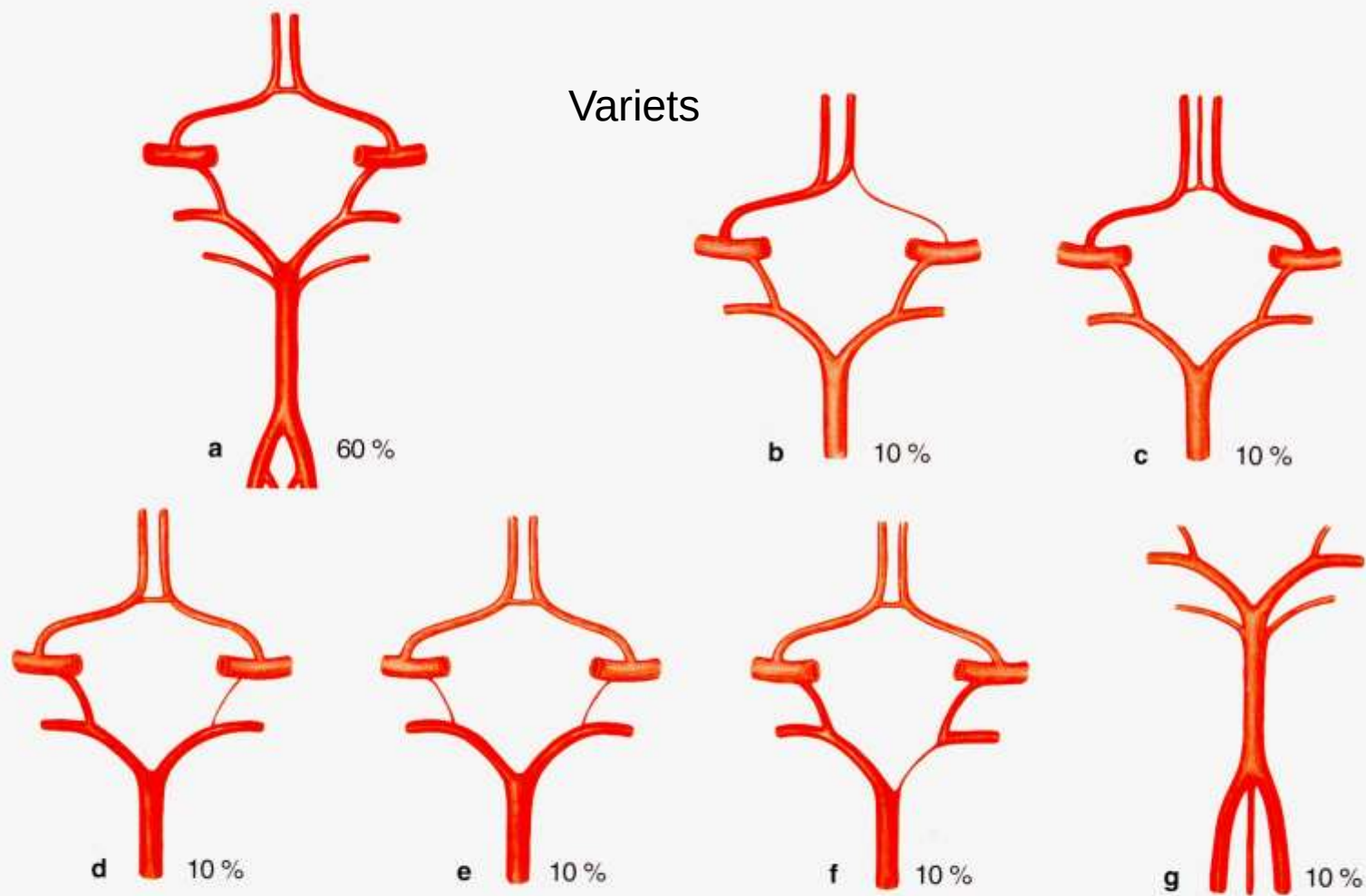
Willis circuit

Arteriae centrales (peforatores)- groups:

Anteromedial
Anterolateral
Posteromedial
Posterolateral

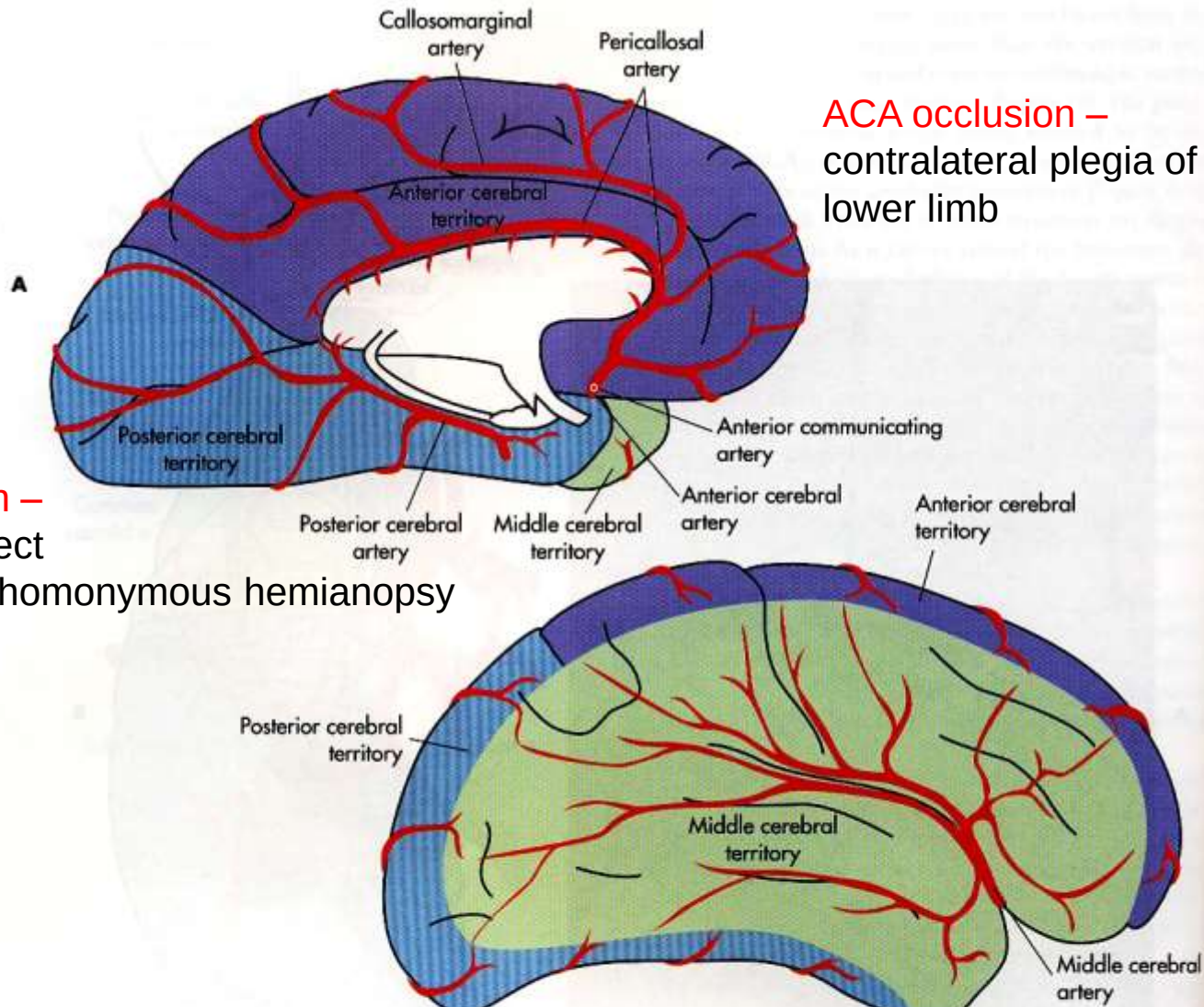


Variets



Obr. 564 a-g Willisův arteriální okruh,
 circulus arteriosus cerebri.
a-c variety předního oddílu
d-f variety zadního oddílu
g kaudální spojení vertebrálních arterií



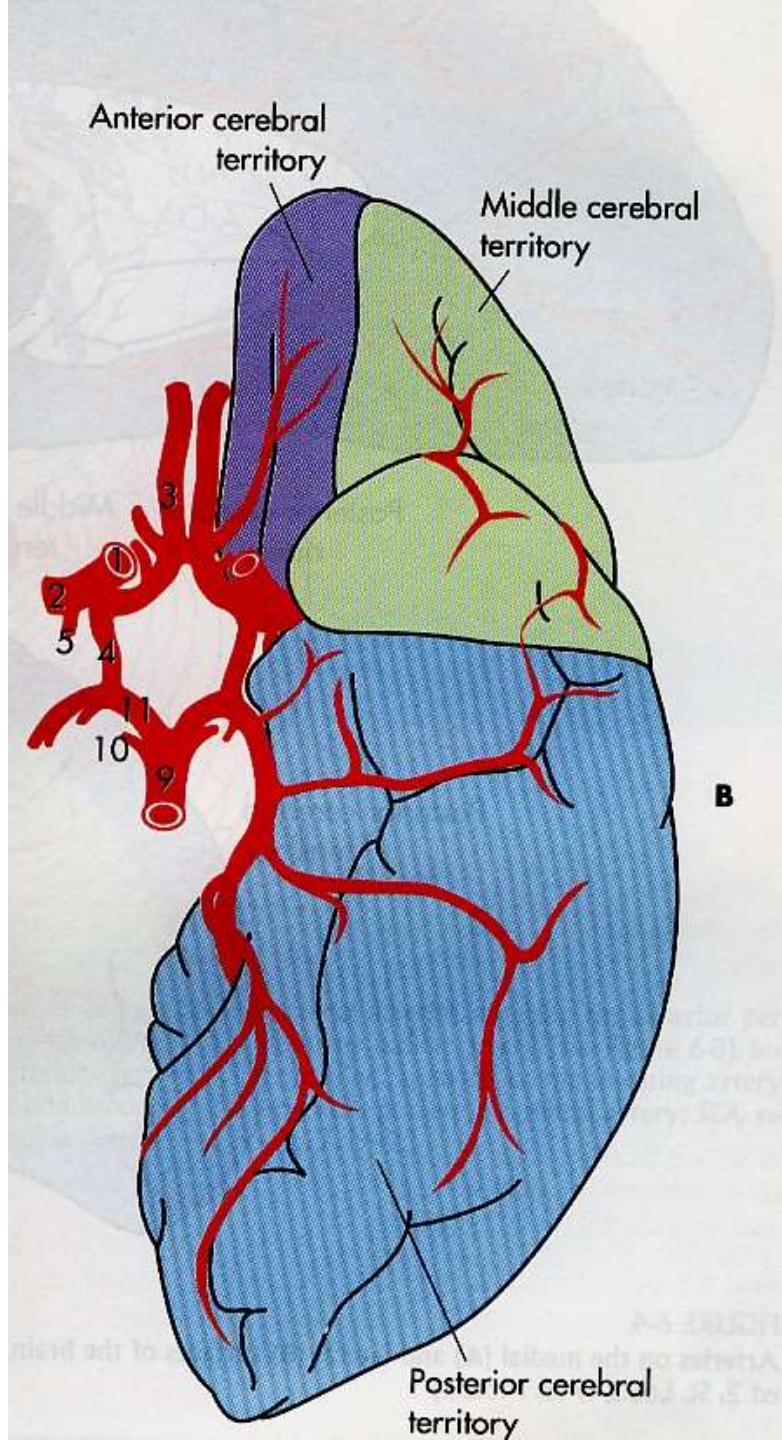


ACA occlusion –
contralateral plegia of
lower limb

PCA occlusion –
Visual field defect
- Contralateral homonymous hemianopsy

MCA occlusion

Contralateral hemiplegia more expressed on upper limbs
and face, can be aphasia

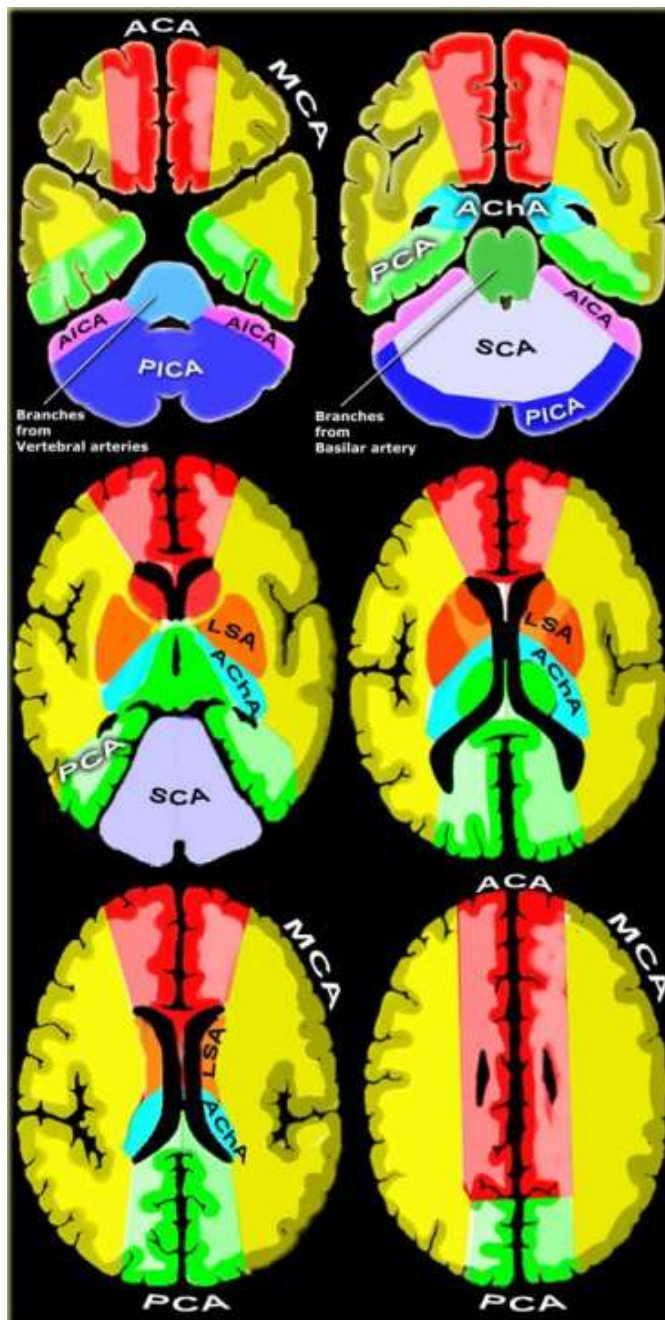


Cerebral arterial territories

a.cerebri anterior

a.cerebri media

a. cerebri posterior



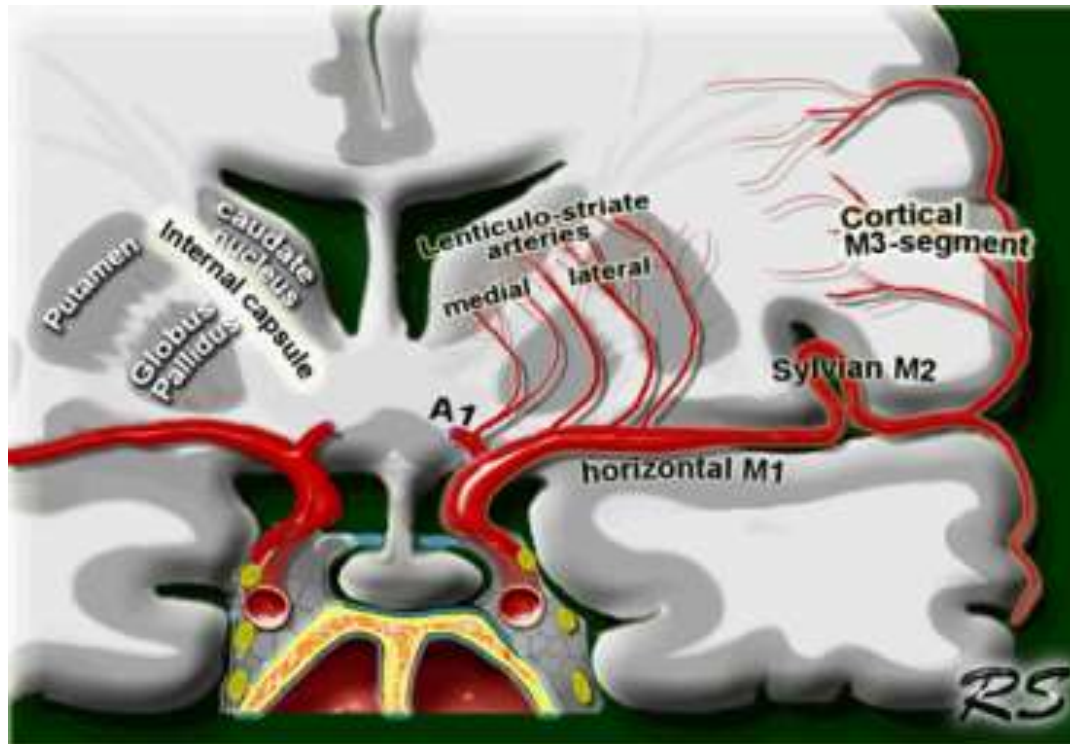
a.cerebellaris
inferior anterior

a.cerebellaris
inferior posterior

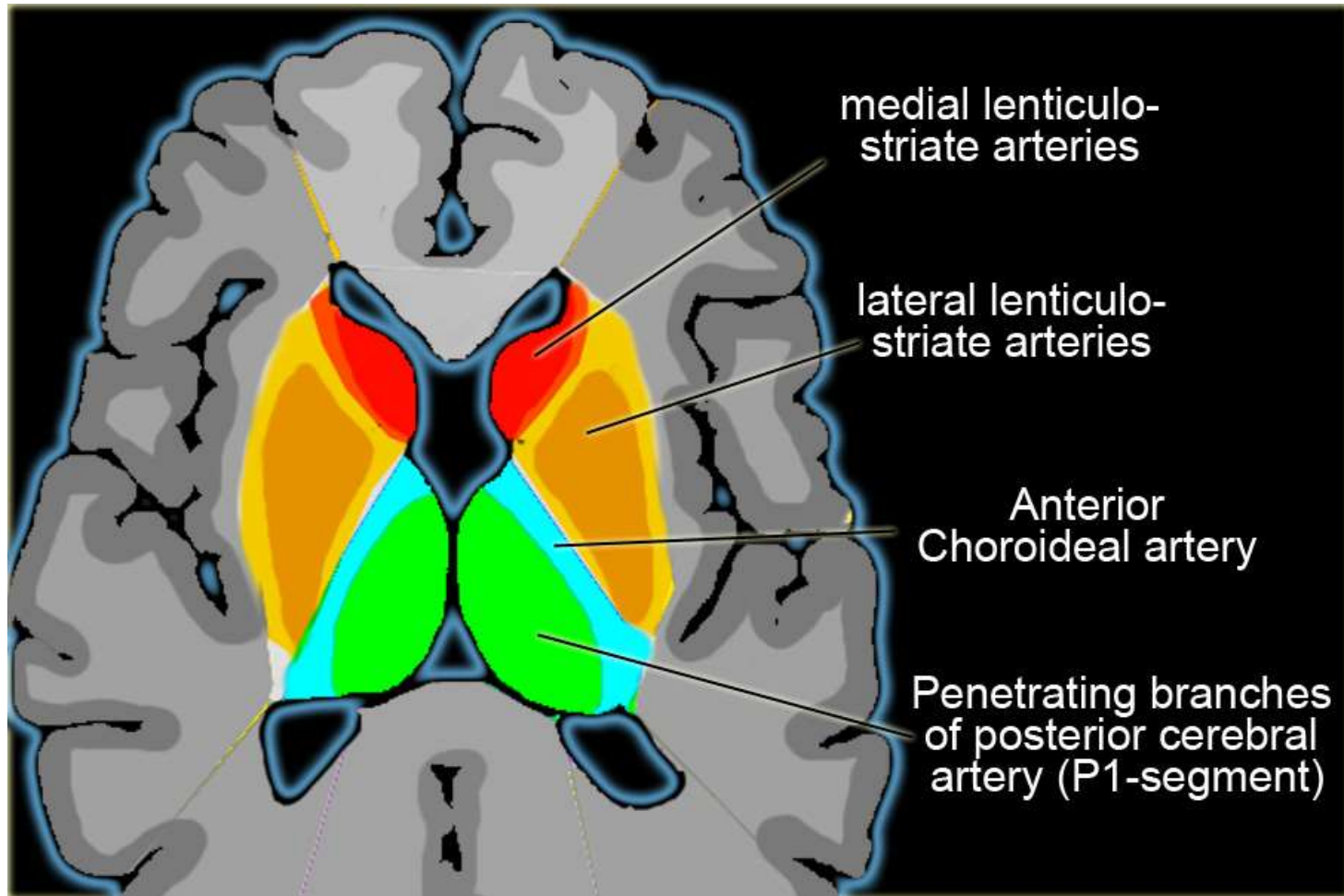
a.cerebellaris
superior

a. choroidea
anterior

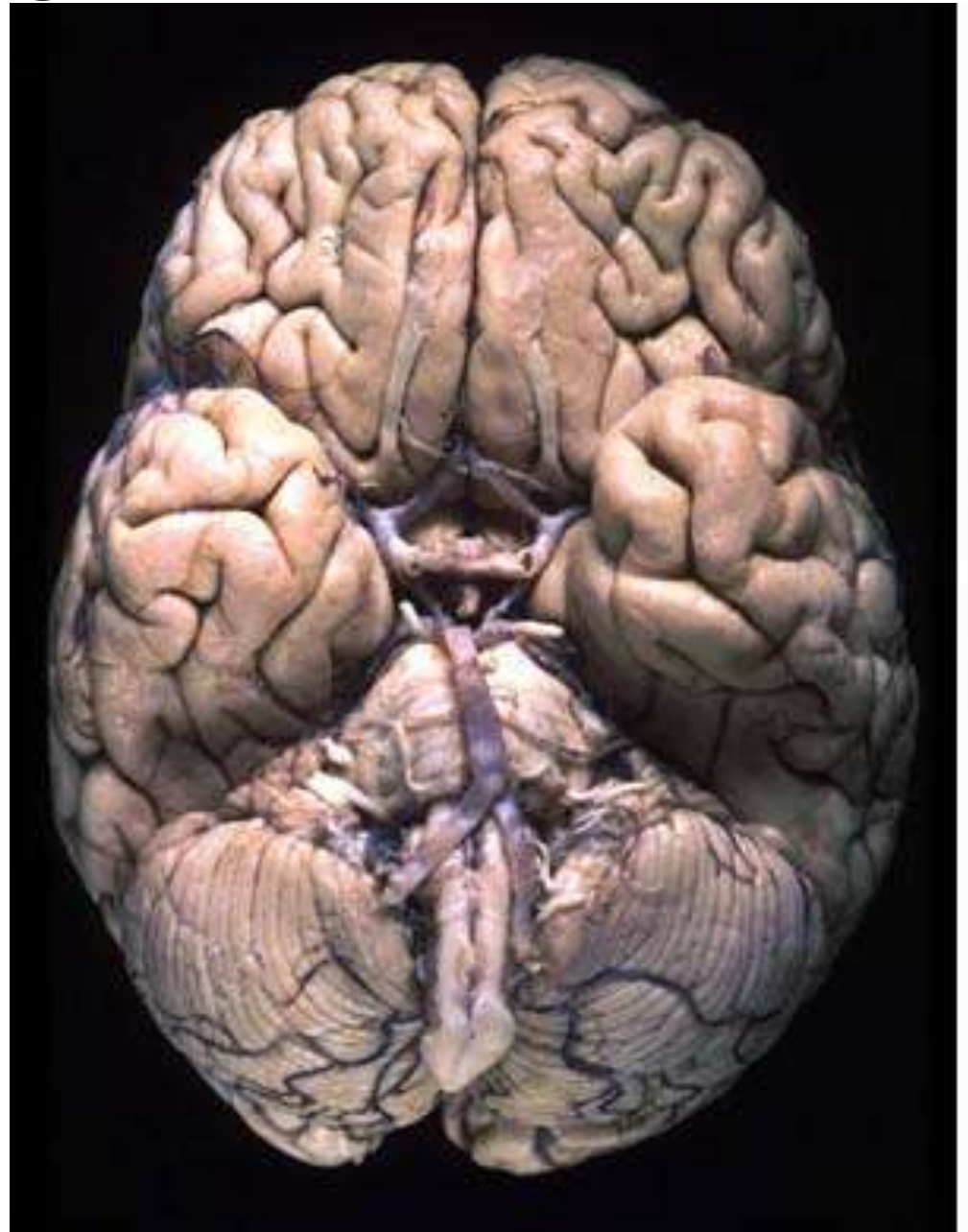
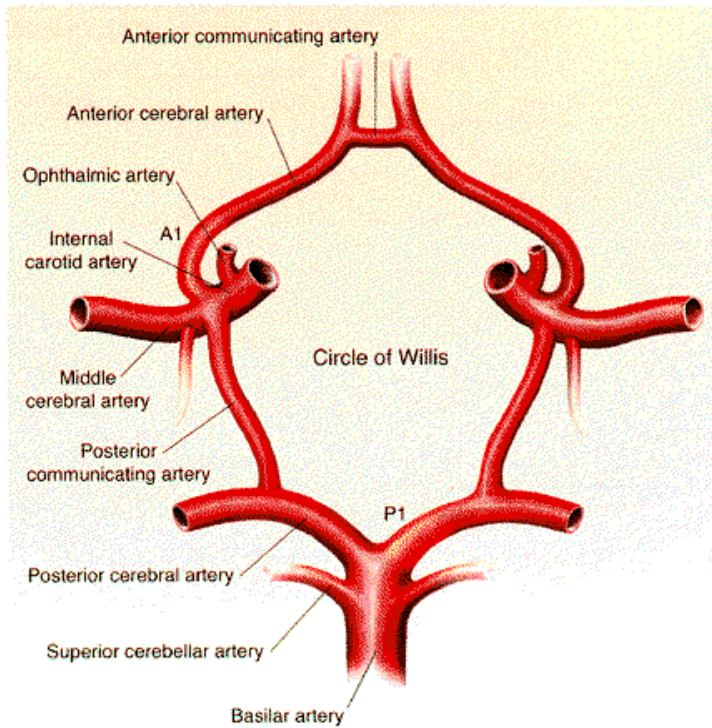
Blood supplying of basal ganglia
arterie lenticulostriaticae



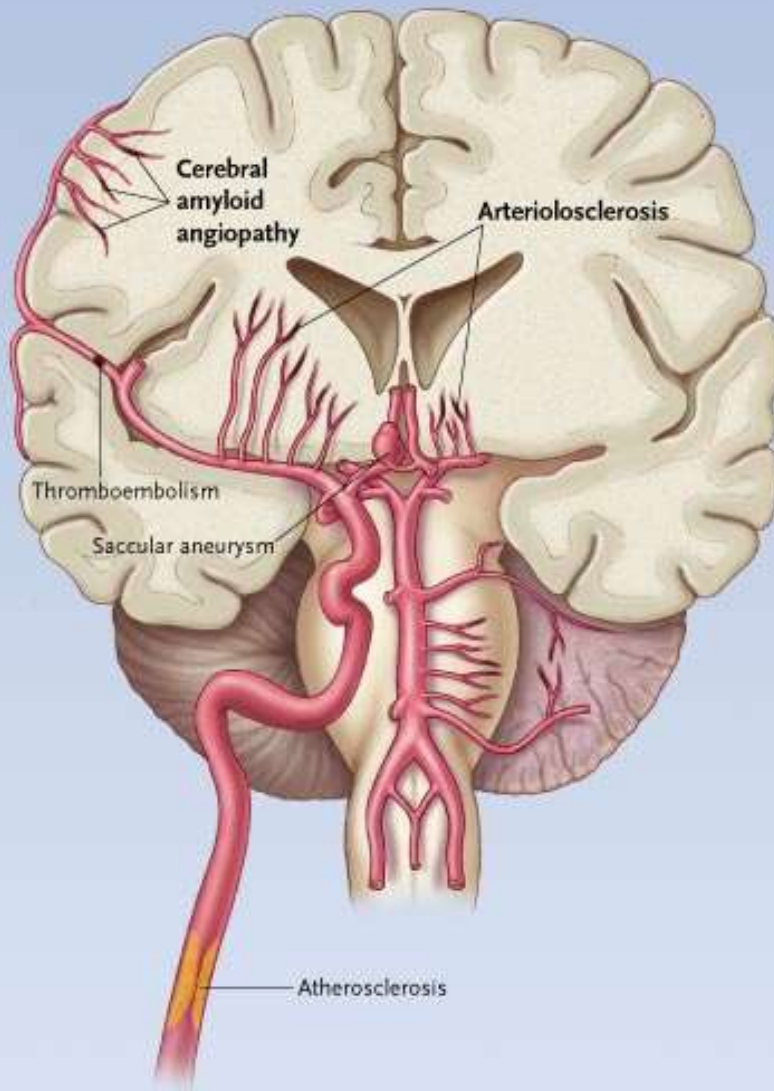
Blood supplying of basal ganglia, thalamus and capsula interna



Circulus arteriosus

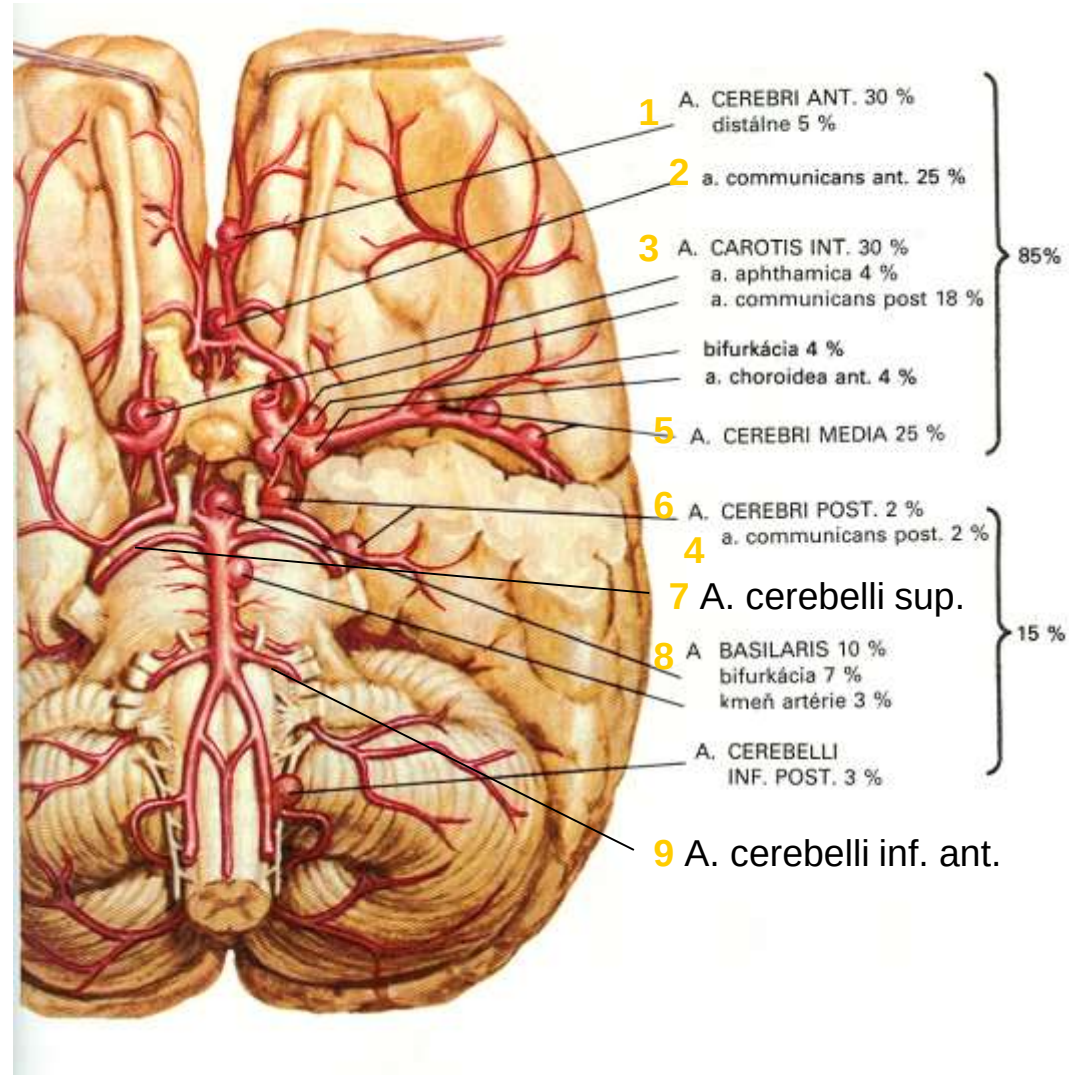
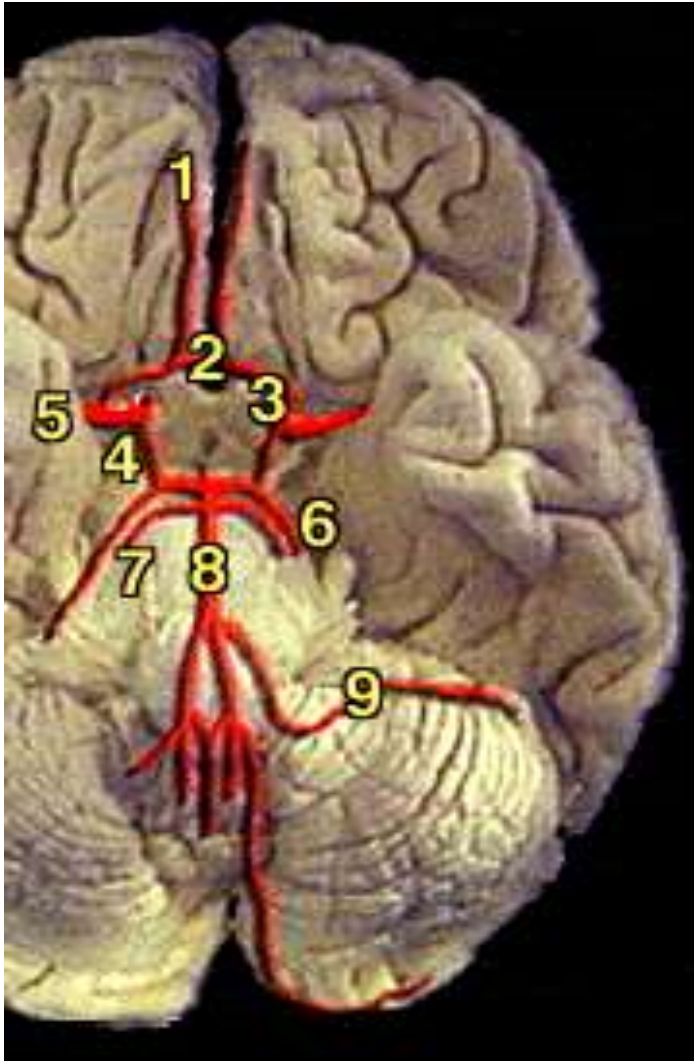


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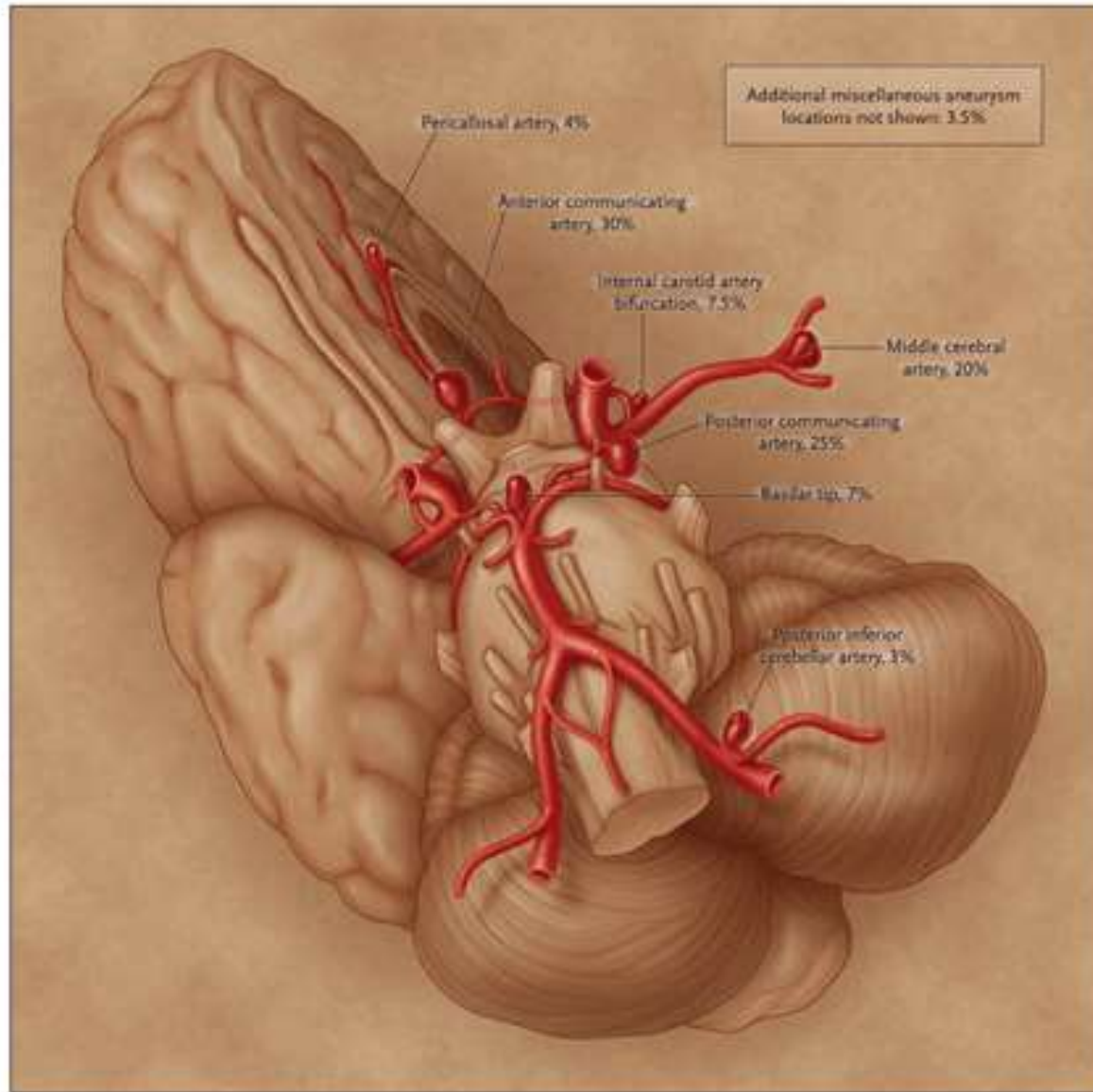


Most common
diseases of brain
vessels

Circulus arteriosus Willisi –aneurysma

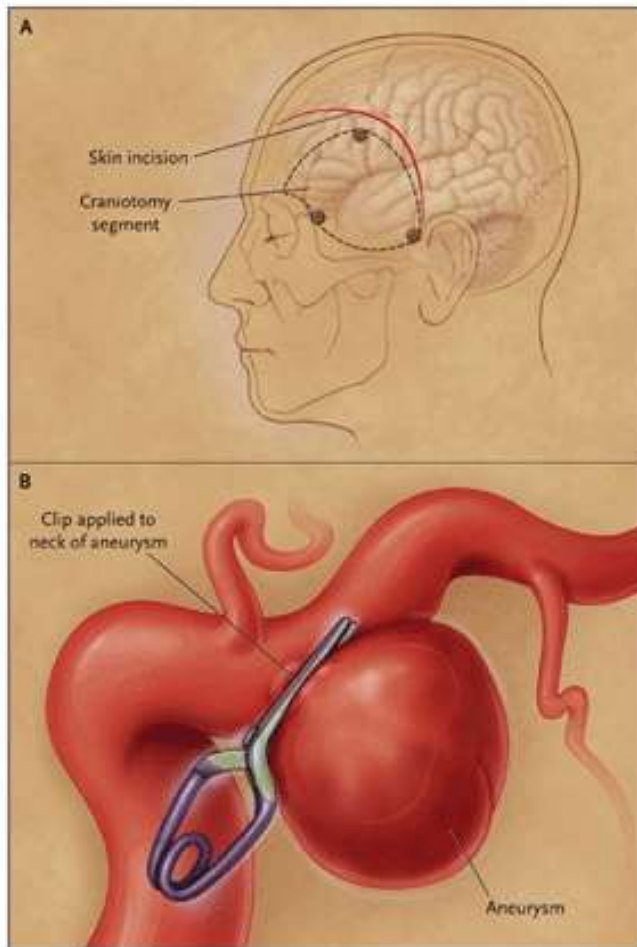


Aneurysma lokalization

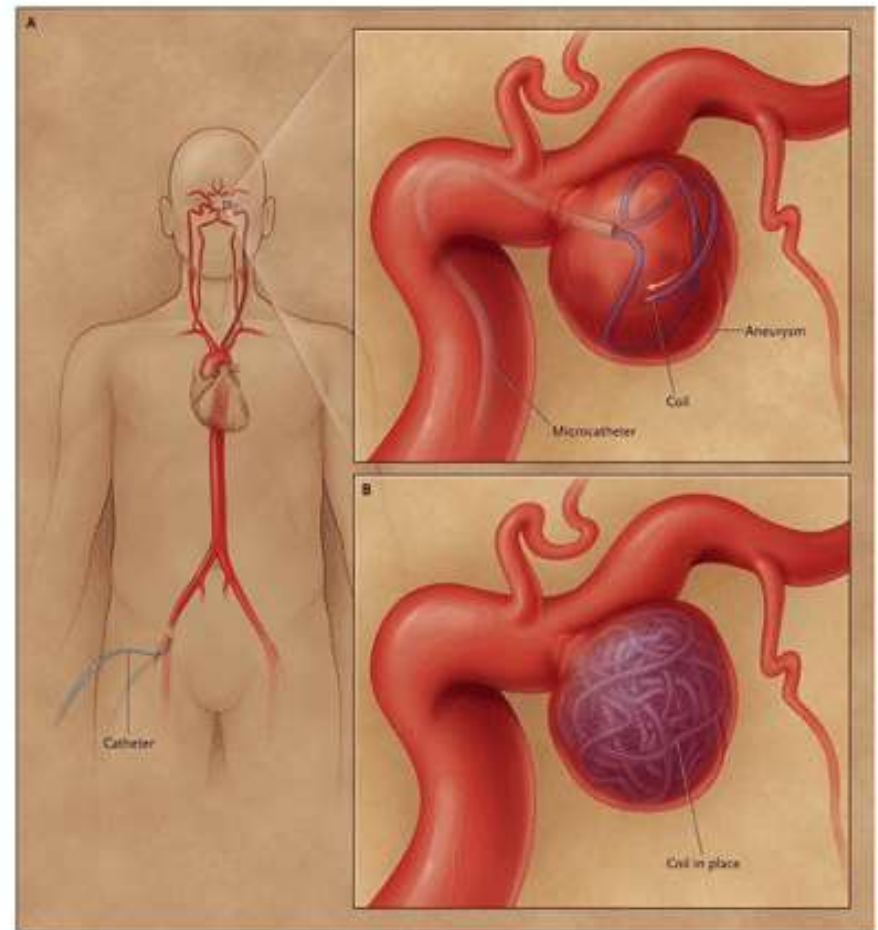


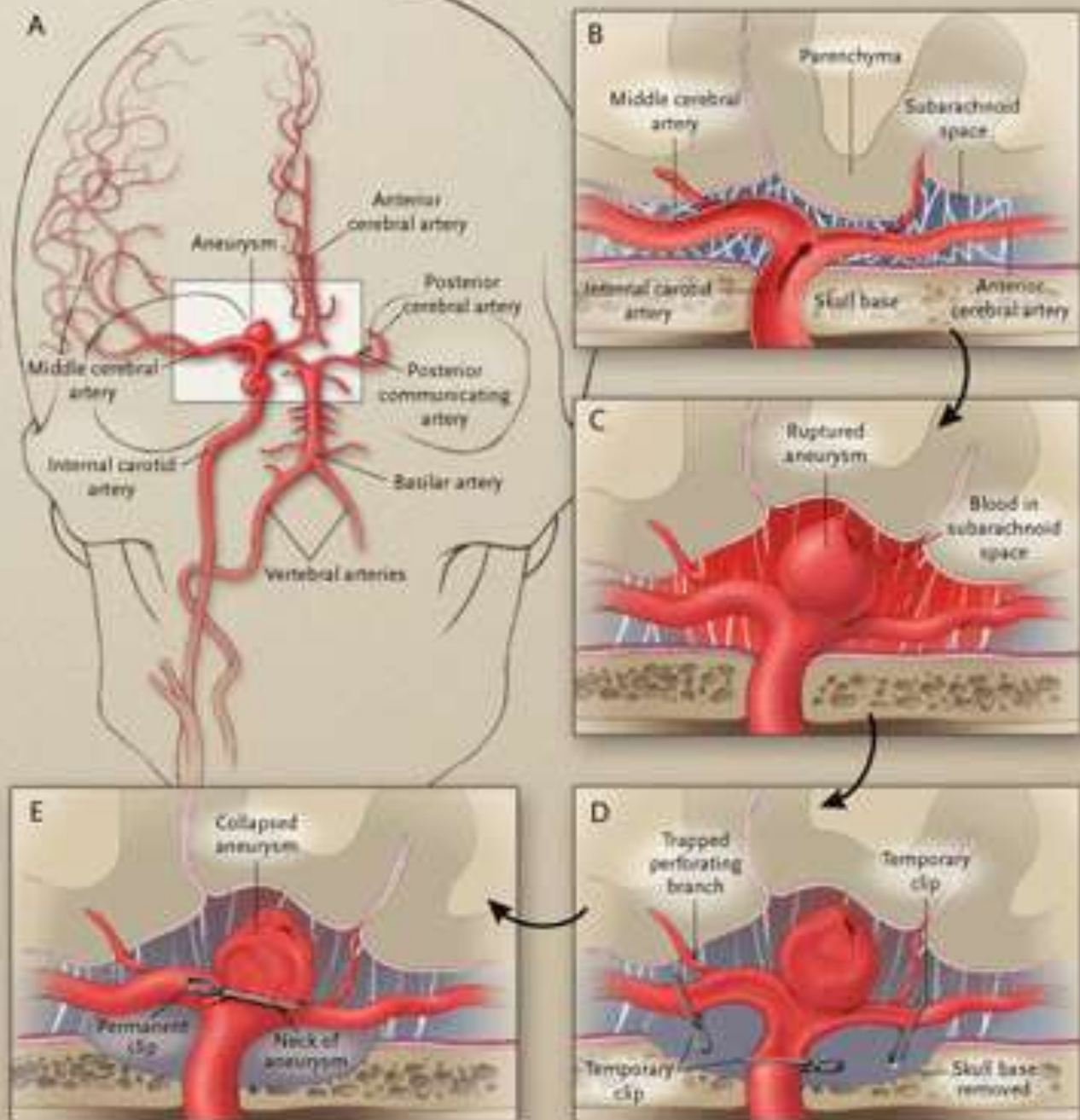
Aneurysma - treatment

Clip

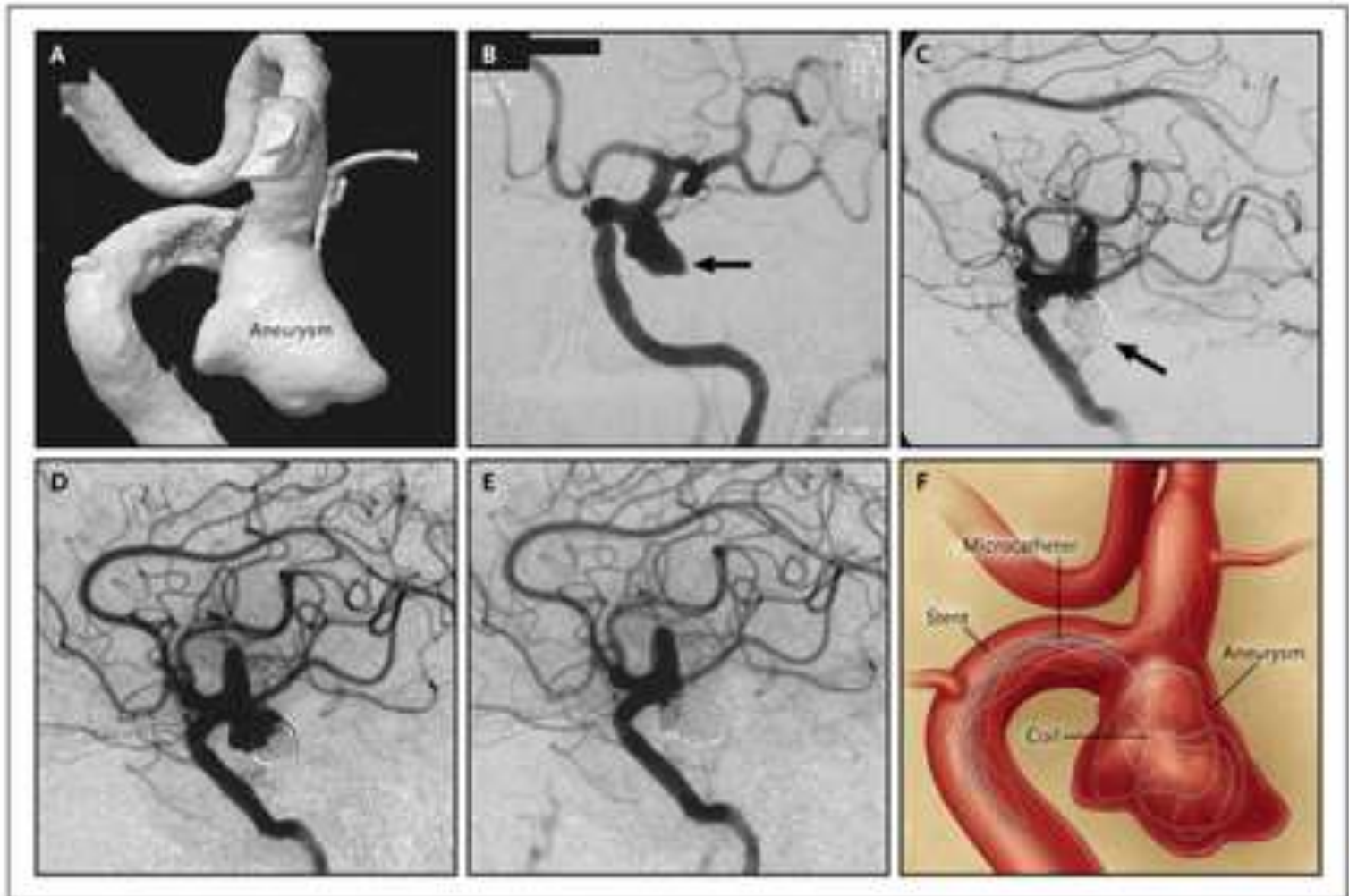


Endovascular occlusion

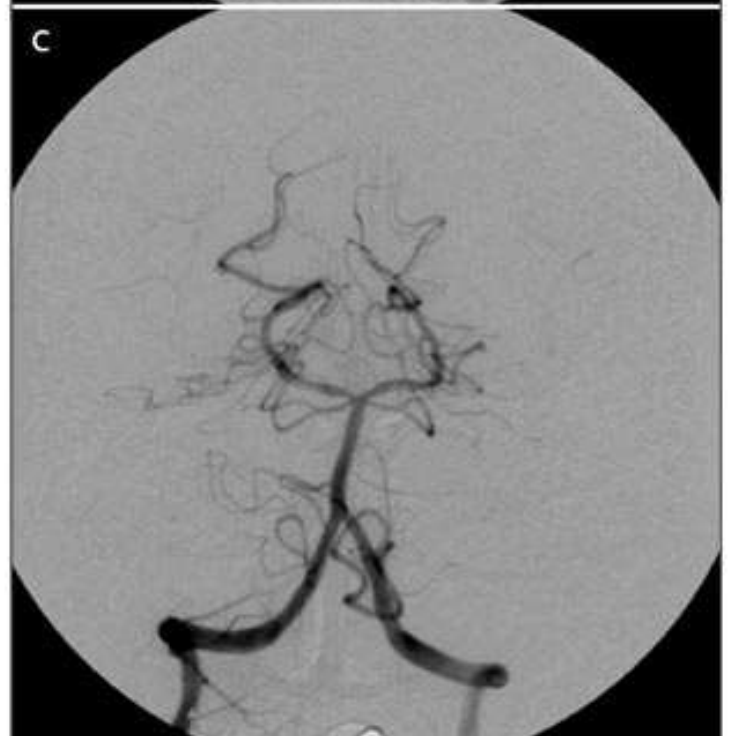
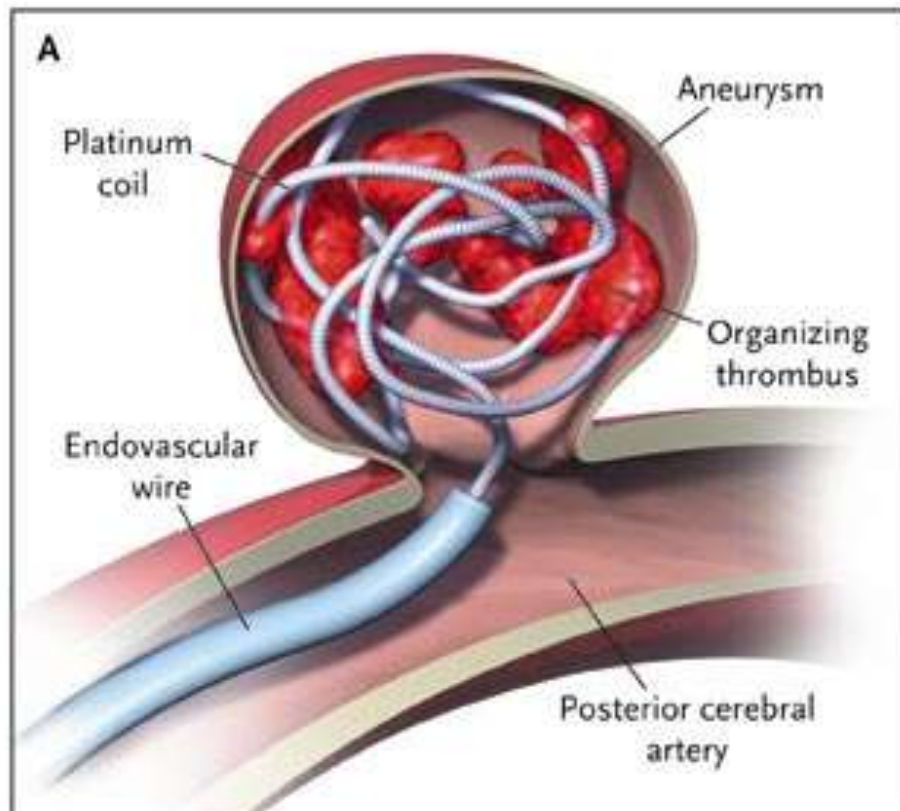




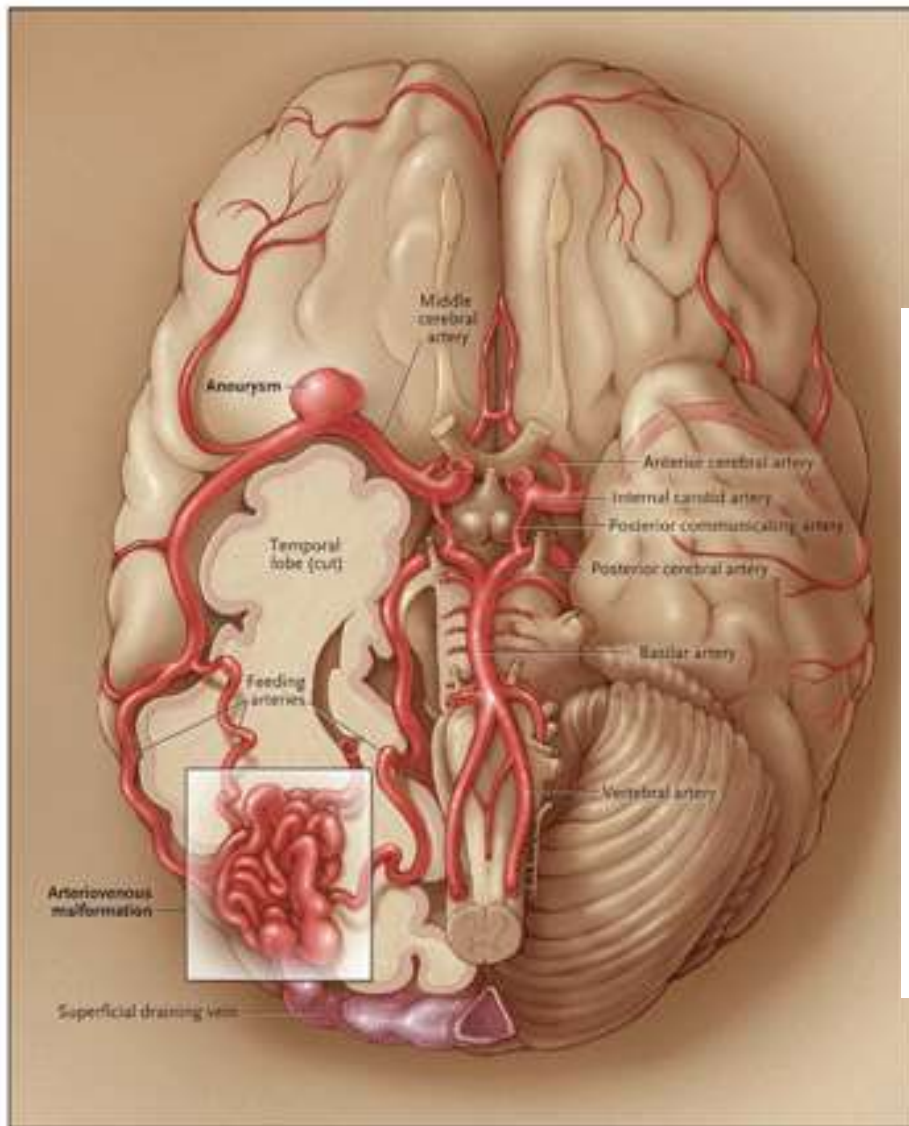
Aneurysma – stent, recoiling



Intravascular coiling

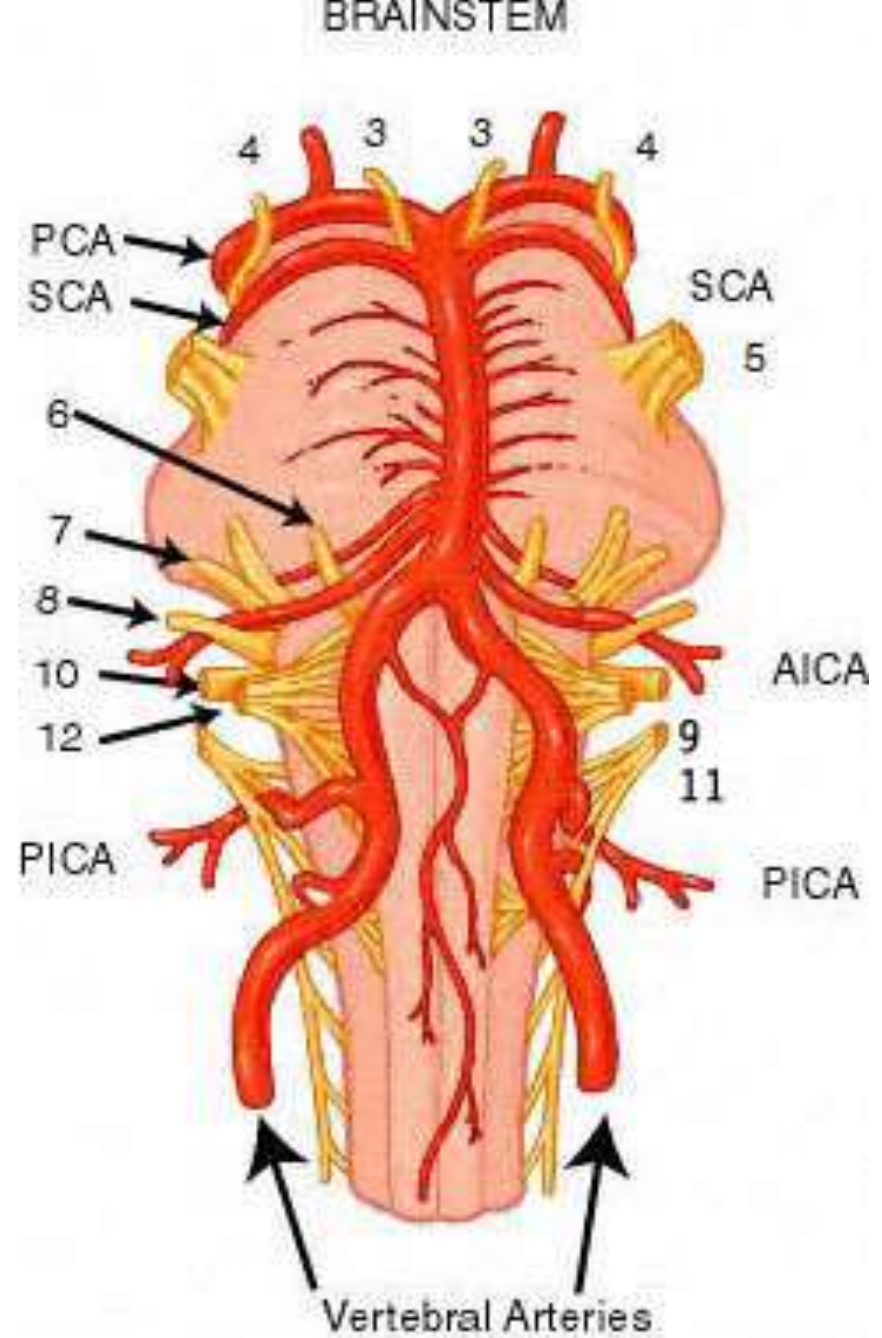


A-V malformation

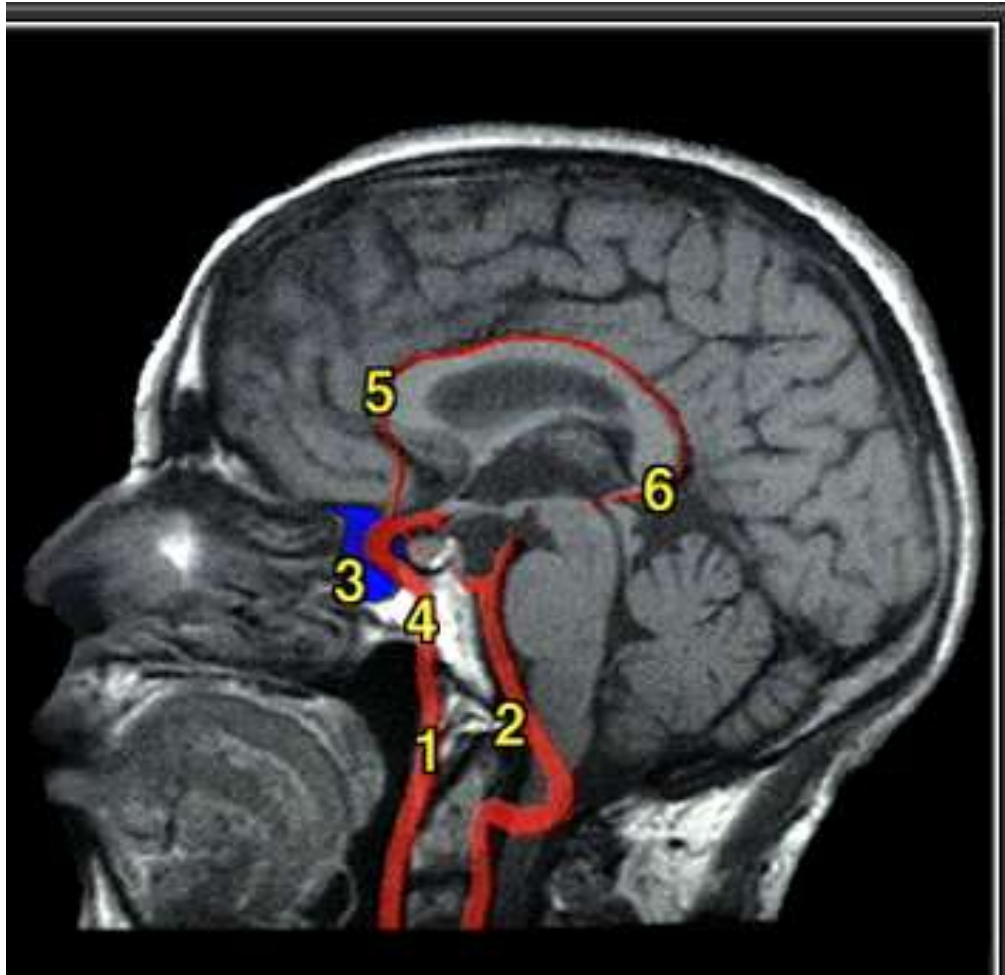


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Cranial nerve origins and arteries
on the ventral part of the
brainstem



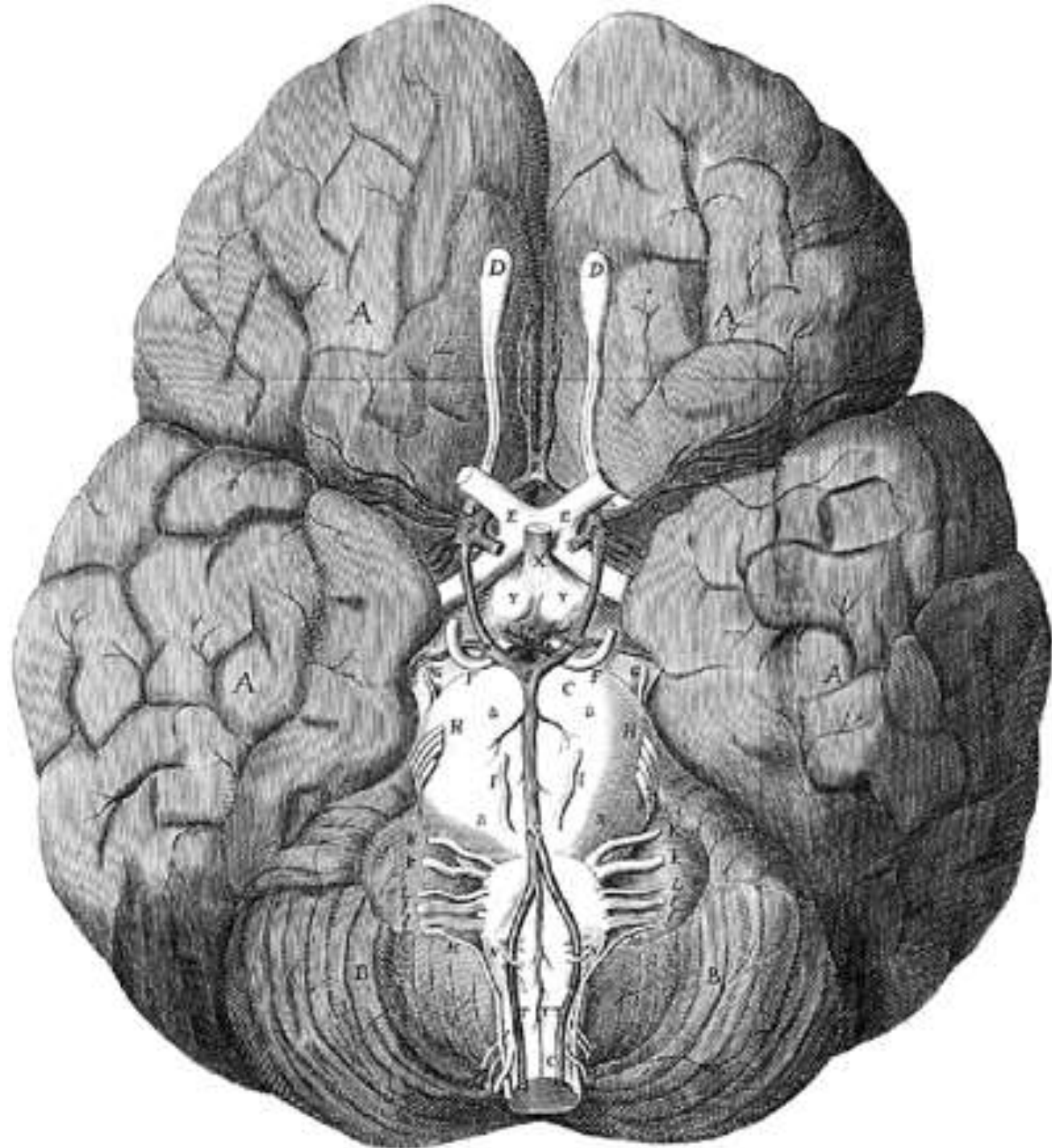
NMR – angoigraphy



- 1 - a.carotis interna
- 2 - a.vertebralis
- 3 - sinus cavernosus
- 4 - canalis caroticus
- 5 - a.cerebri anterior
- 6 - a.cerebri posterior

Thomas Willis (1621–1675)





The home of Thomas Willis from 1657 to 1667



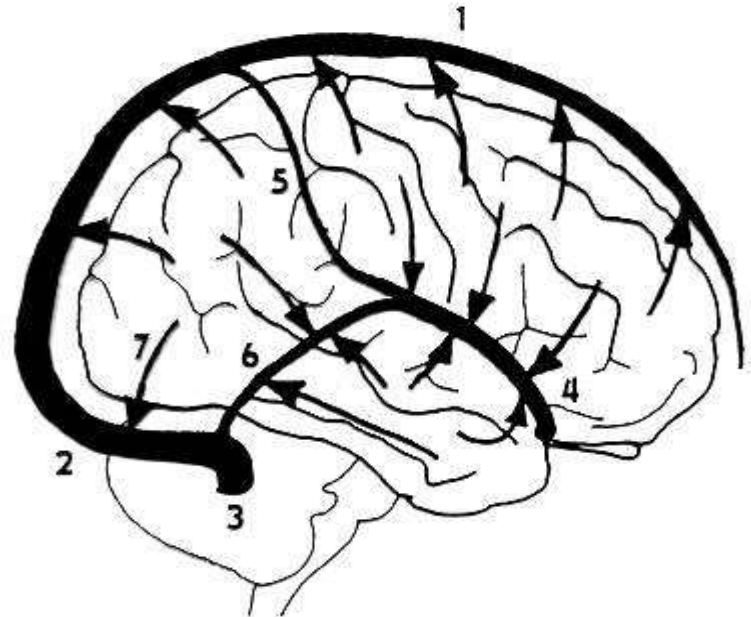
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Thomas Willis

- **Neuroanatomical terms coined by Willis**
- Anterior commissure | Cerebellar peduncles | Claustrum | Corpus striatum | Inferior olives (corpora teretia) | Internal capsule | Medullary pyramids | Nervus ophthalmicus | The word 'neurology' | Optic thalamus | Spinal accessory nerve | Stria terminalis (taenia cornua) | Striatum | Vagus nerve
- **Pathologies recognized by Willis**
- Achalasia of the cardia (achalasia of the oesophagus) | Akathisia (restless legs syndrome, Ekbom's syndrome) | Symptoms of myasthenia gravis | Paracusis Willisii. Occurs in deaf patients whose hearing improves in the presence of noise, indicating osteosclerosis | Diabetes mellitus | Abnormalities of the brains of patients with congenital mental retardation | Unilateral degeneration of the cerebral peduncle in a case of long-standing unilateral paralysis | Symptoms of malaria | Distinctions between typhoid and puerperal fevers

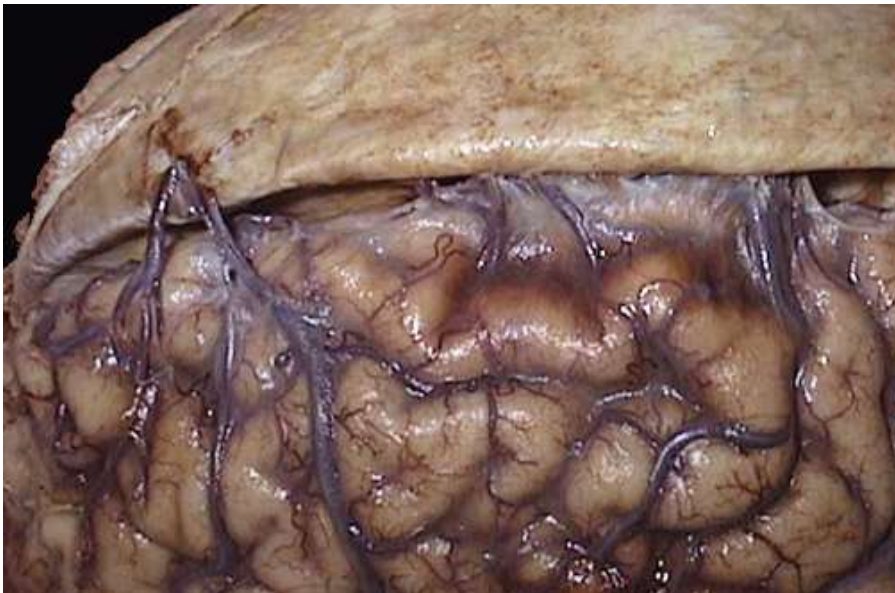
Superficial veins

Superior cerebral veins

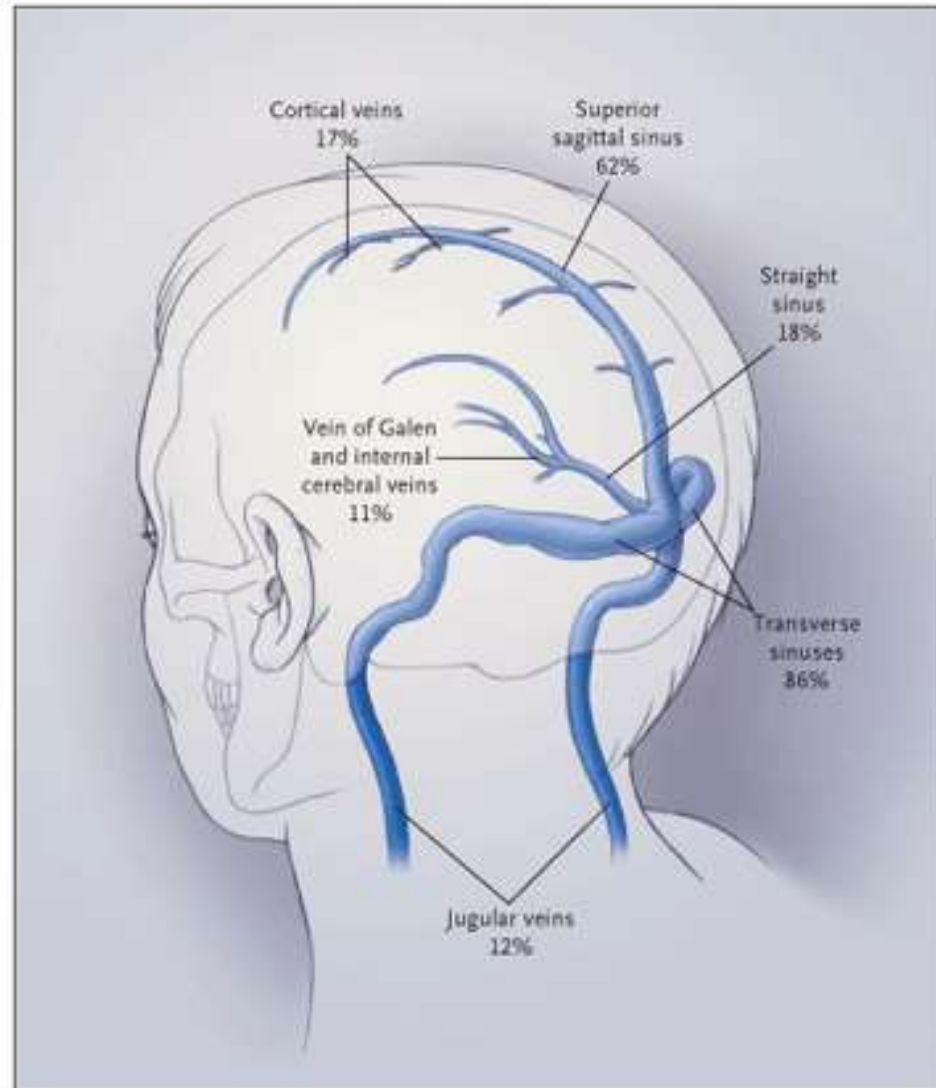


5 Vena anastomotica sup.
(Trolard)

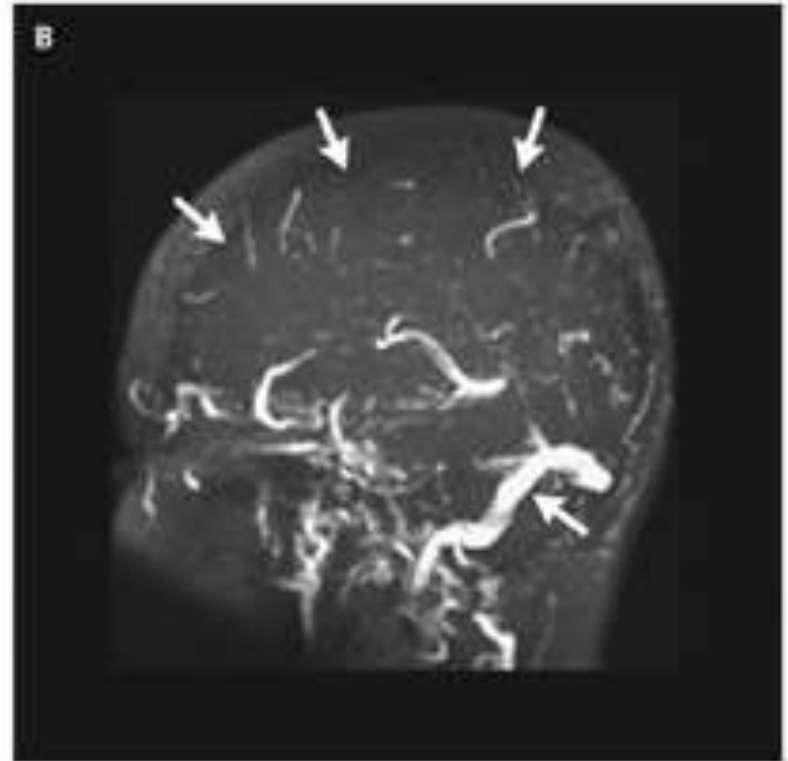
6 Vena anastomotica post.
(Labbé)



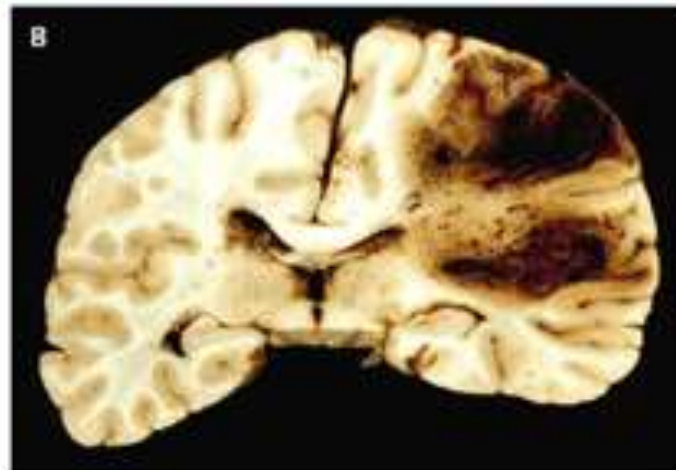
Brain veins - % of thrombosis

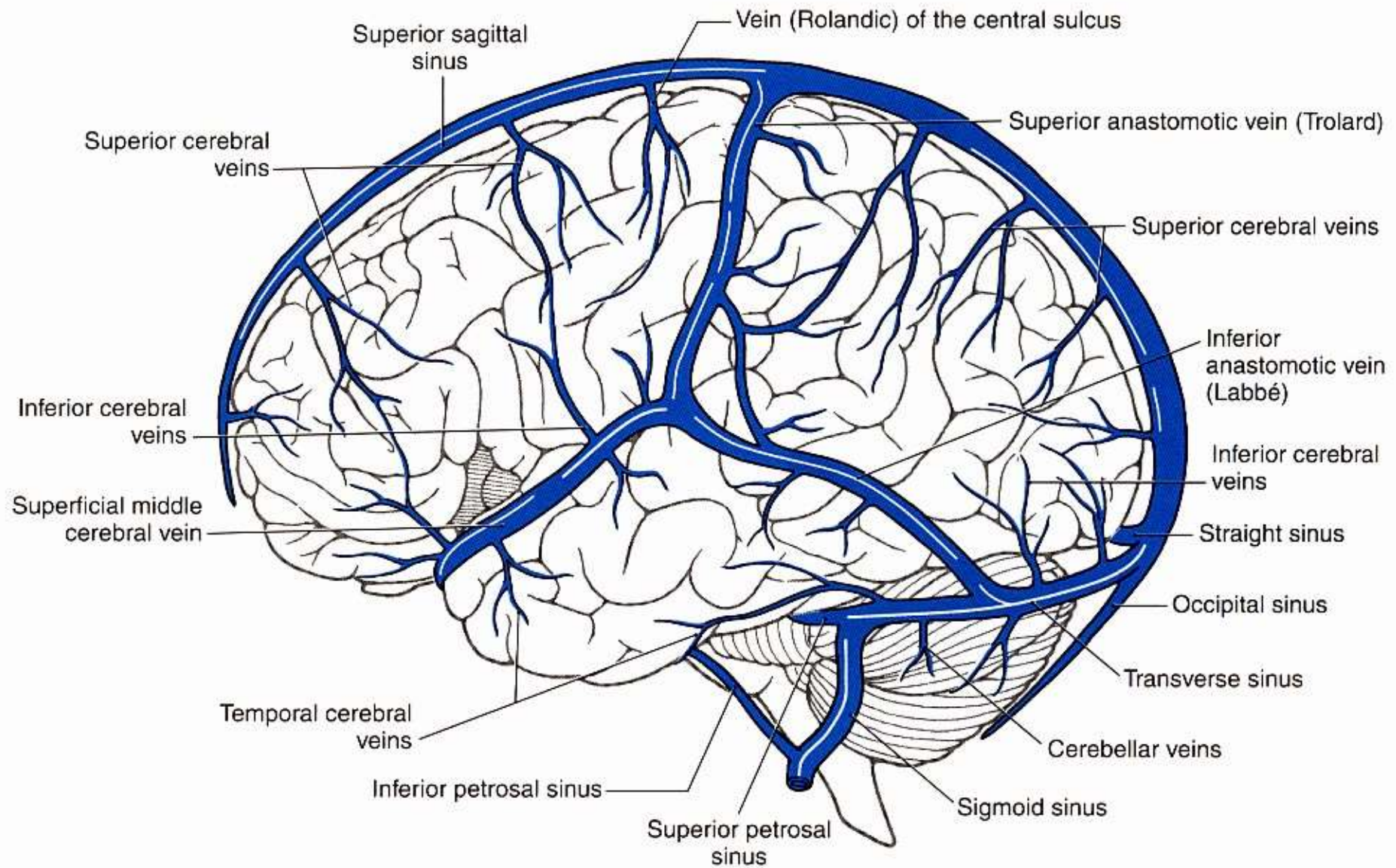


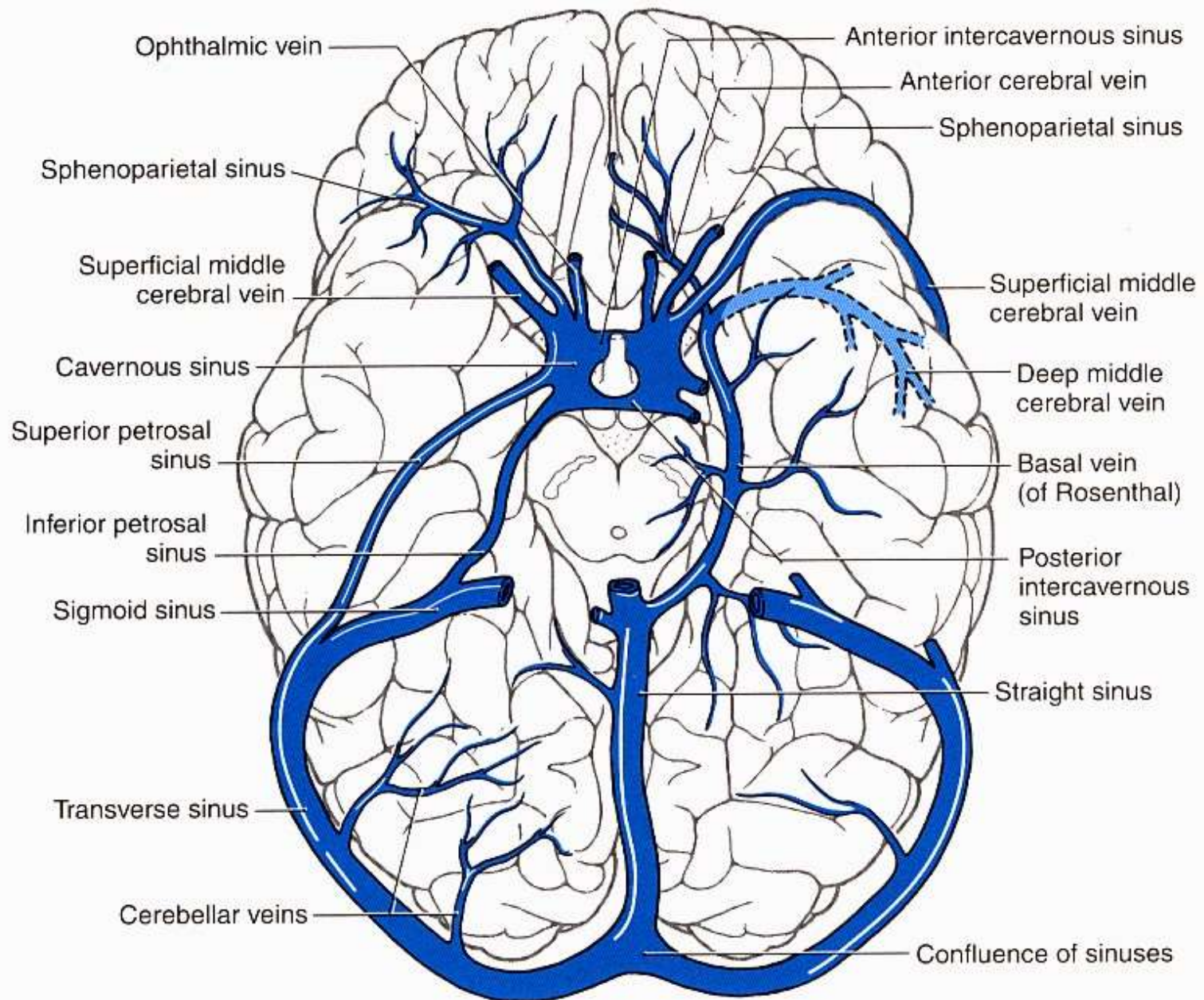
Trombosis sinus sagittalis superior



Tromboses vv. cerebri superiores







Deep cerebral veins

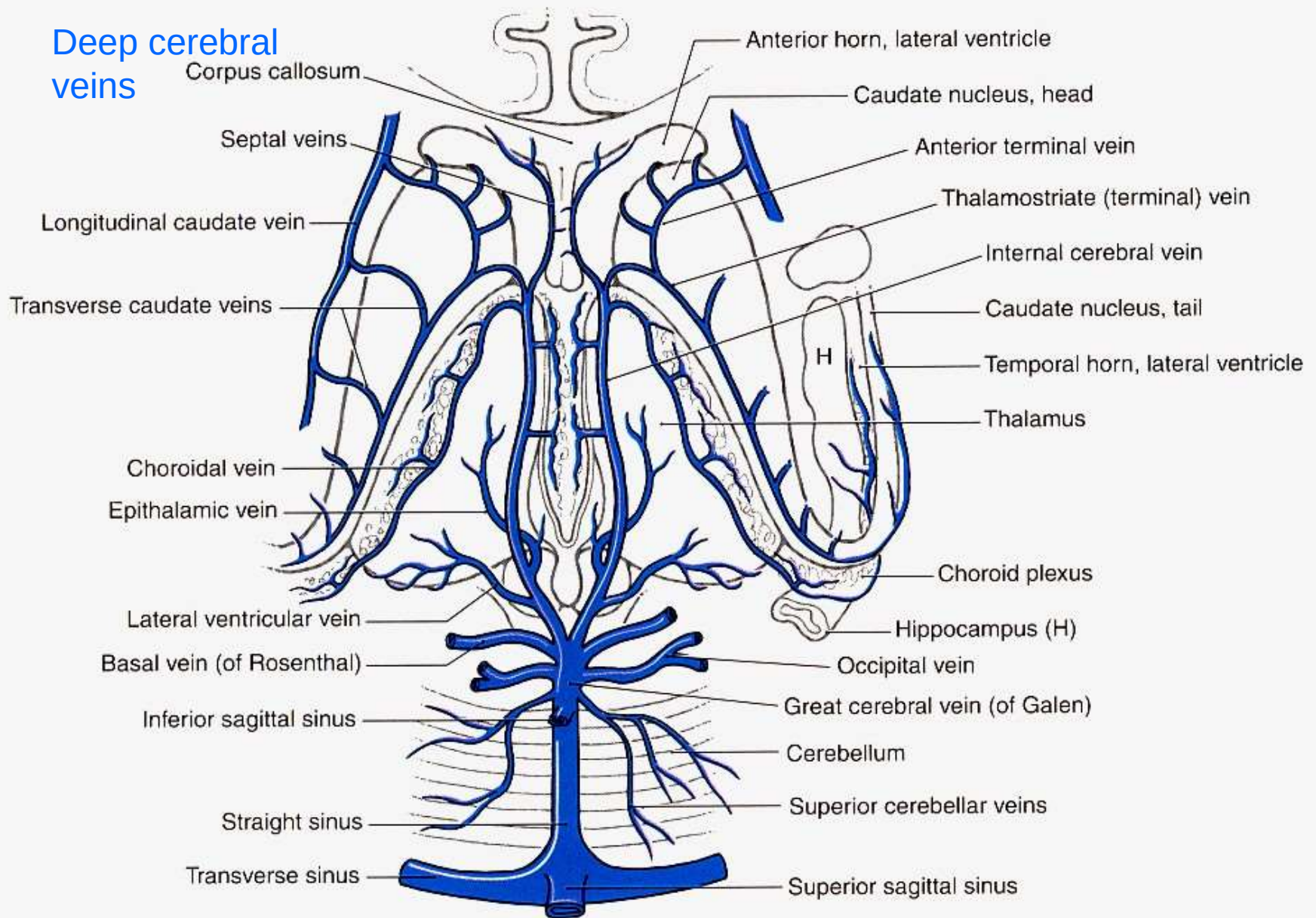
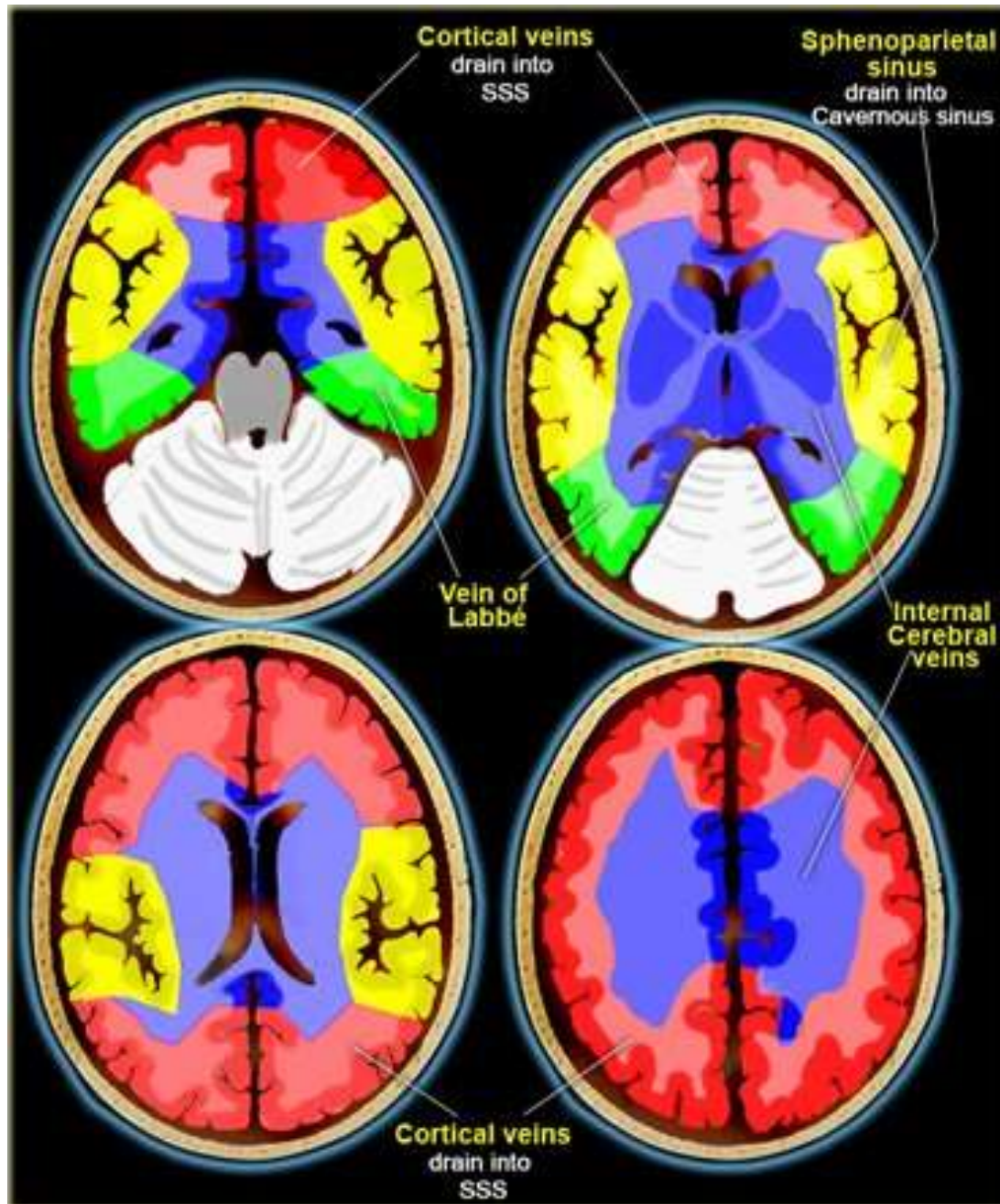


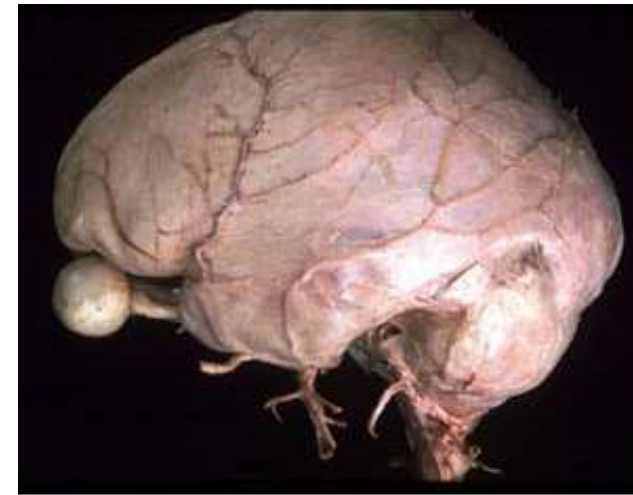
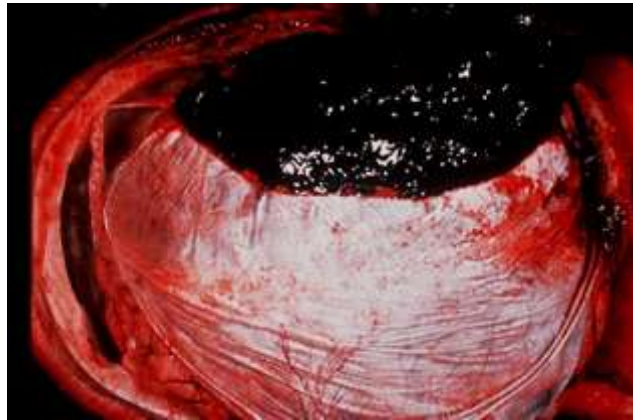
Figure 8-17. Veins draining internal areas of the hemisphere and the tributaries of the great cerebral vein and straight sinus. I, hippocampus.



Cerebral Venous territories „rough guide“

- superior sagittal sinus
- internal cerebral veins
- sphenoparietal sinus
- vein of Labbé

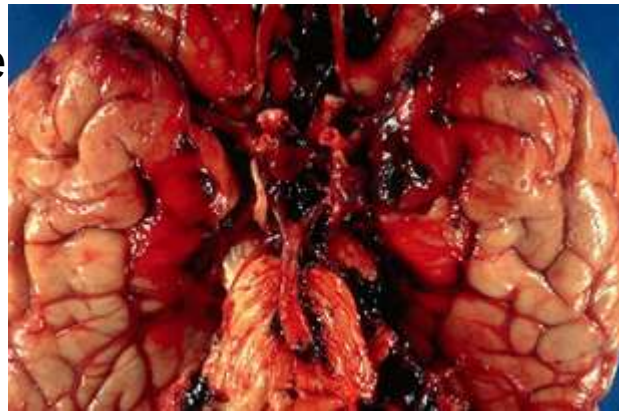
1. Epidural hemorrhage



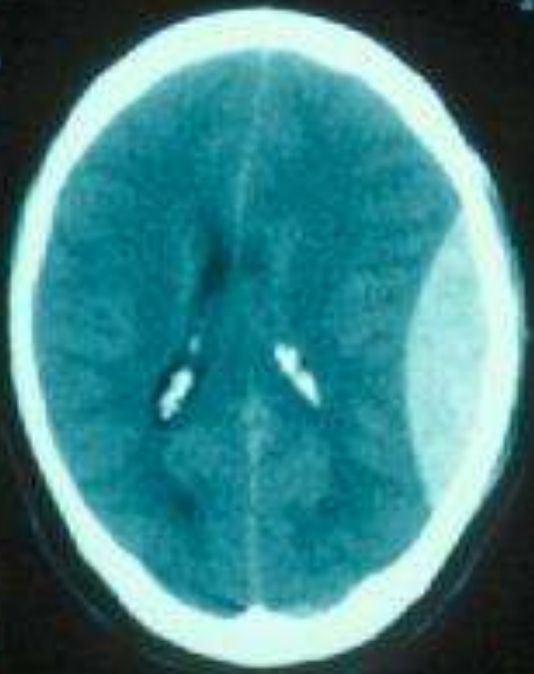
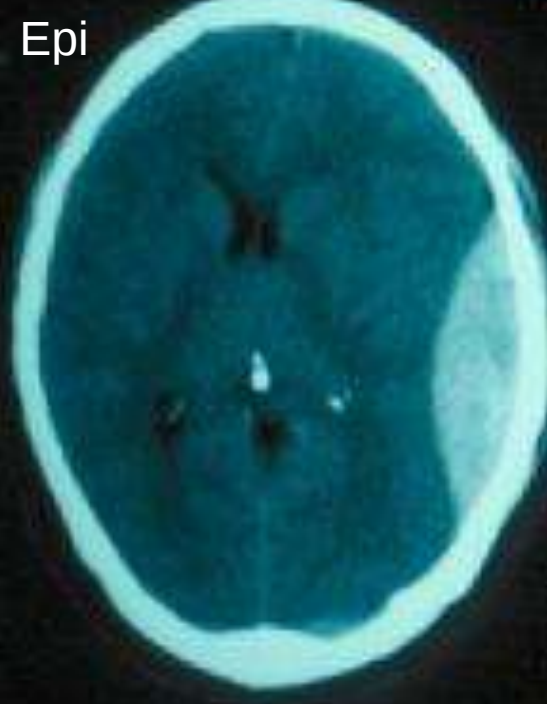
2. Subdural hemorrhage



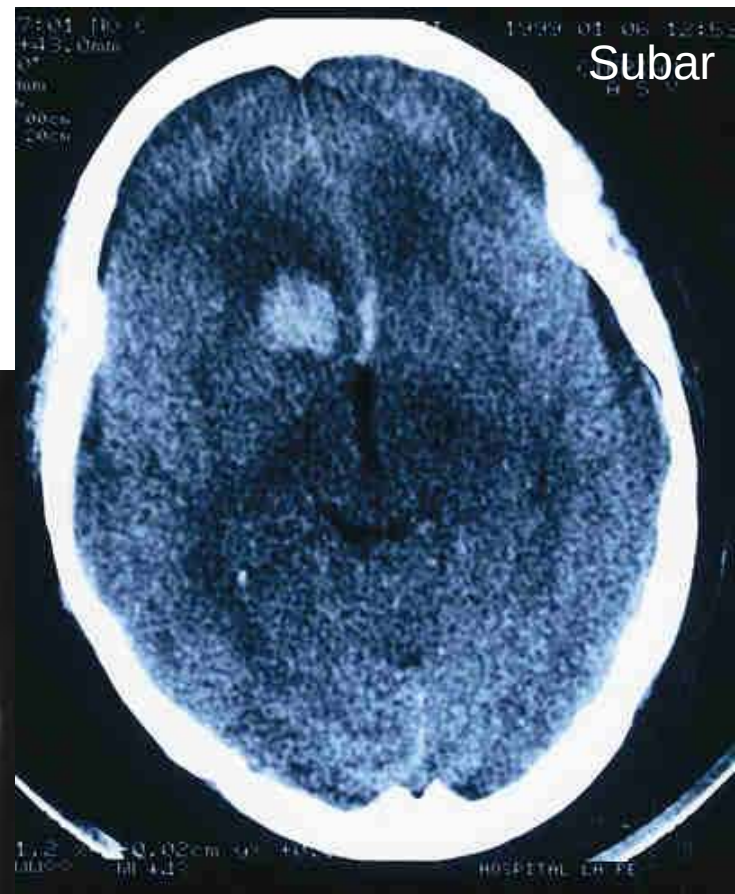
3. Subarachnoid hemorrhage



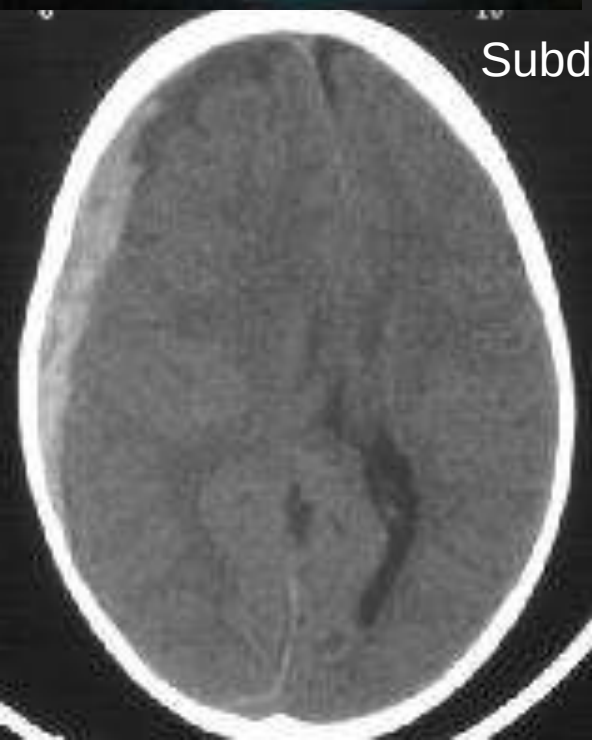
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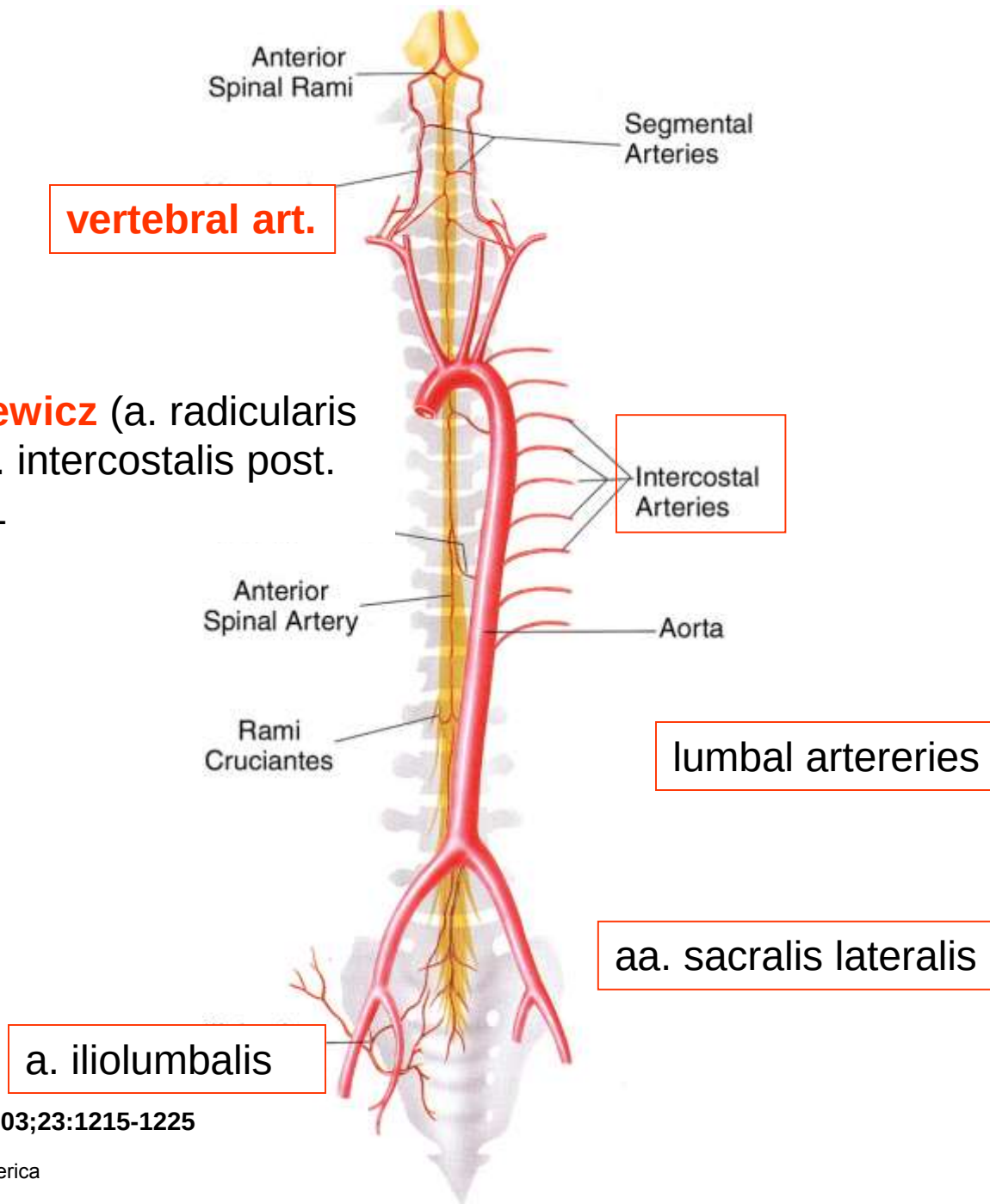


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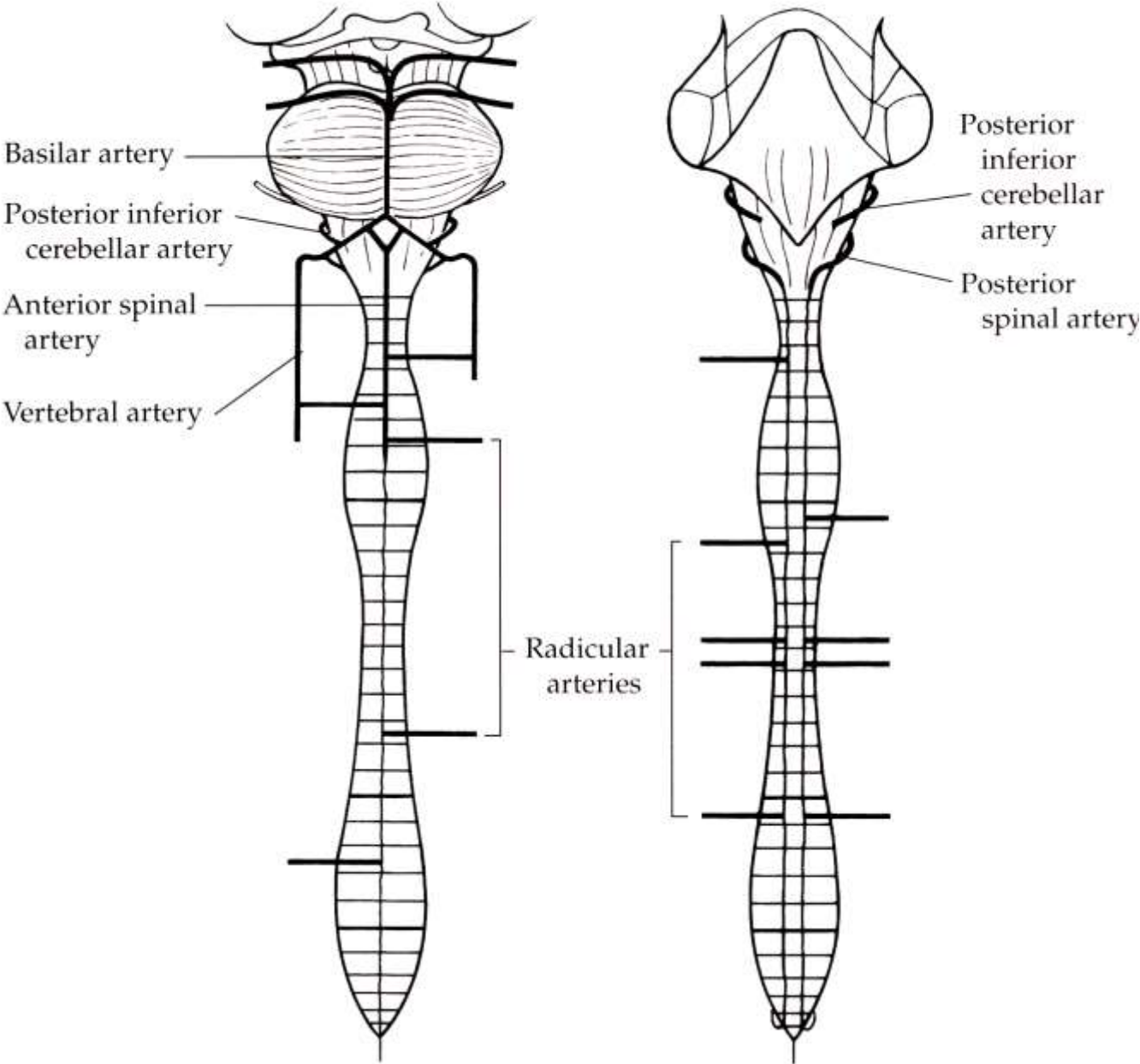
Spinal cord arteries

Artery of Adamkiewicz (a. radicularis magna) from the a. intercostalis post. at the level Th9–L1



Longitudinal system

Segmental (radicular) system



Spinal cord -arteries

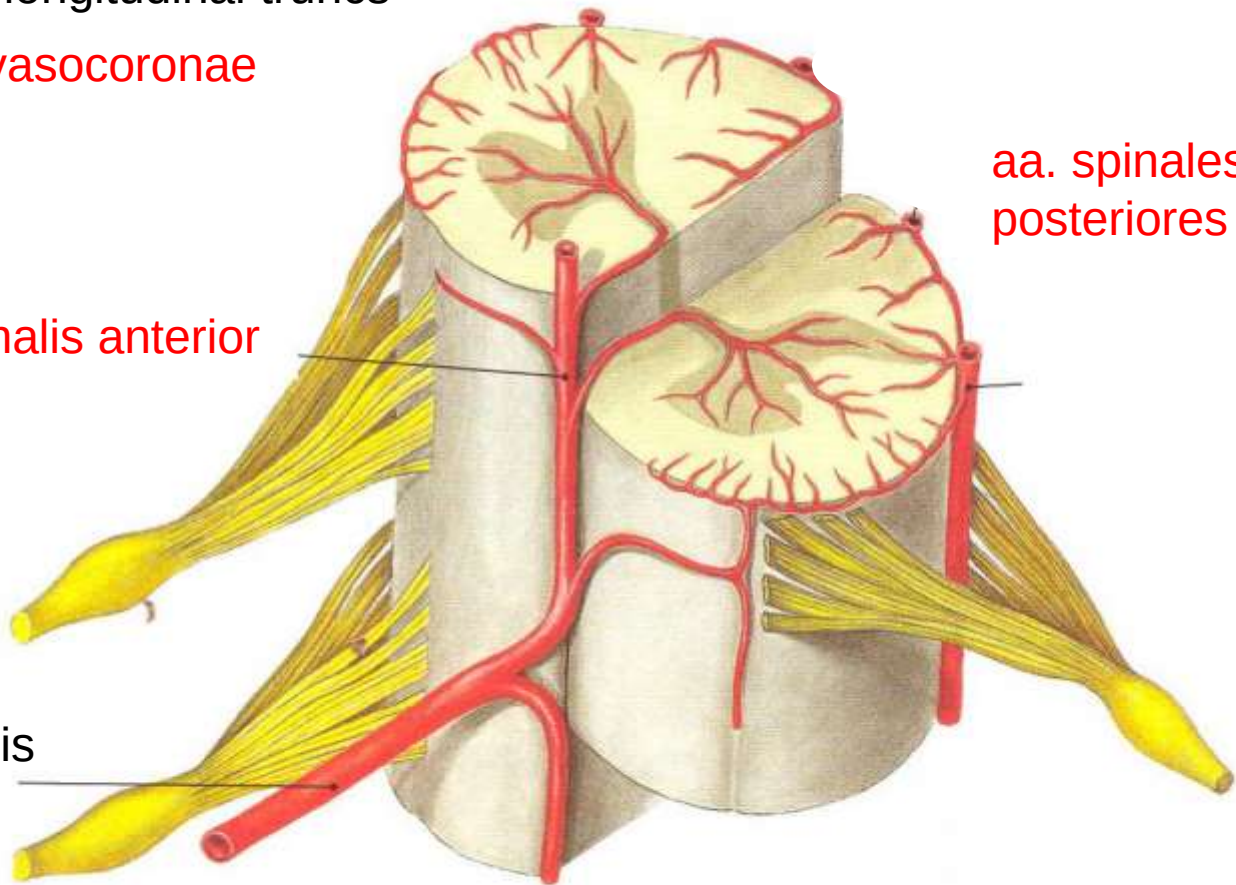
5 longitudinal trunks

vasocorona

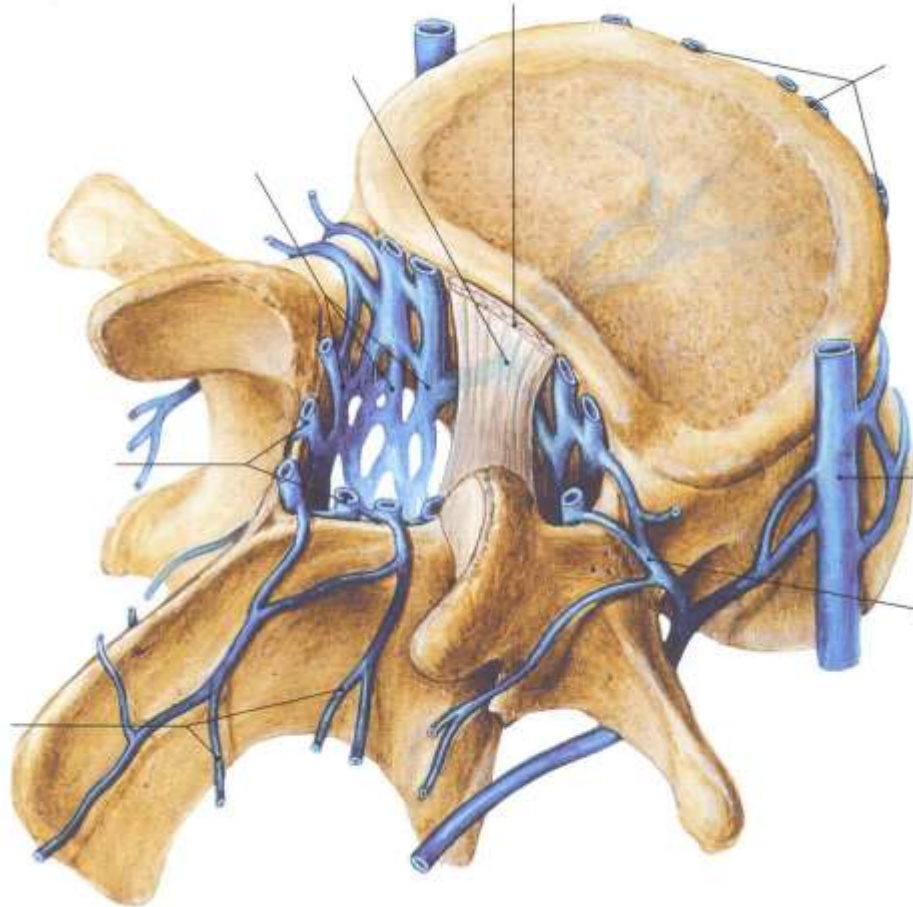
aa. spinales
posteriores

a. spinalis anterior

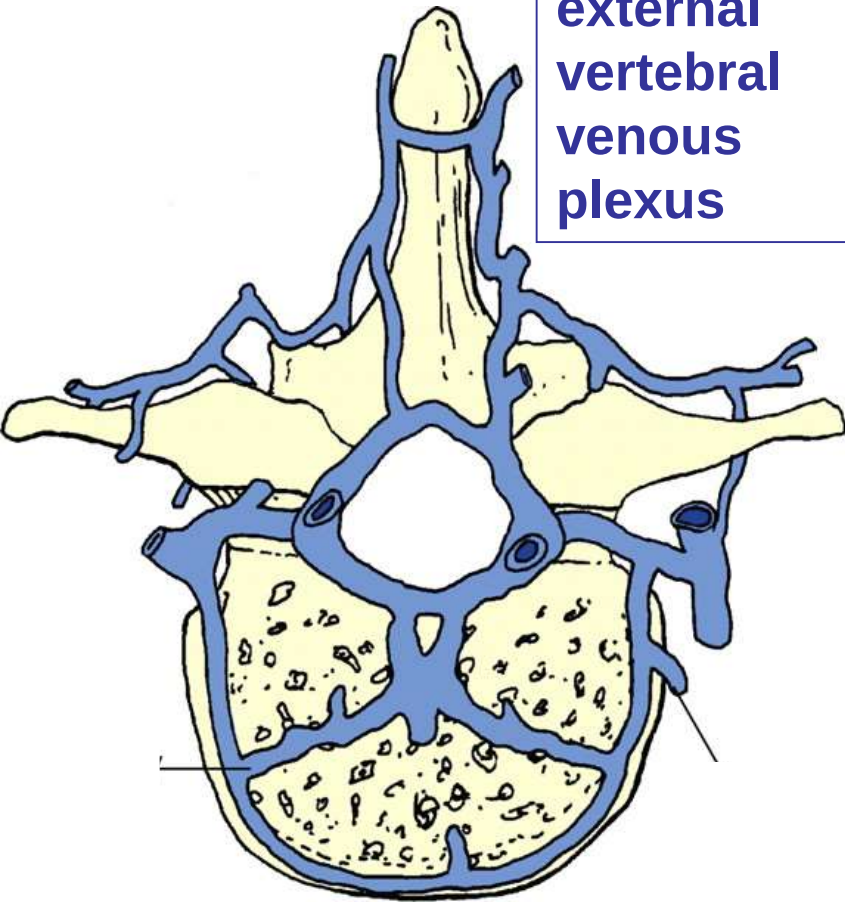
r. spinalis



Vertebral veins

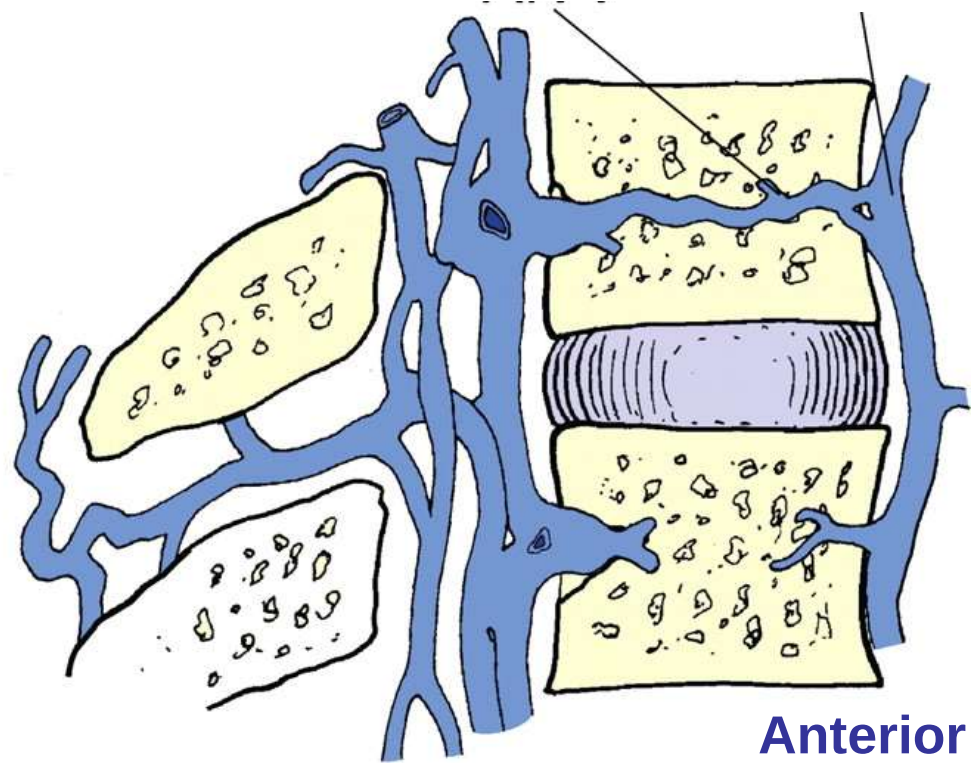


**Posterior
external
vertebral
venous
plexus**



basivertebral veins

basivertebral vein



**Internal
vertebral
venous
plexus**

**Anterior
external
vertebral
venous
plexus**

Vertebral veins

no valves
anastomoses
spreading of
infection and
cancer

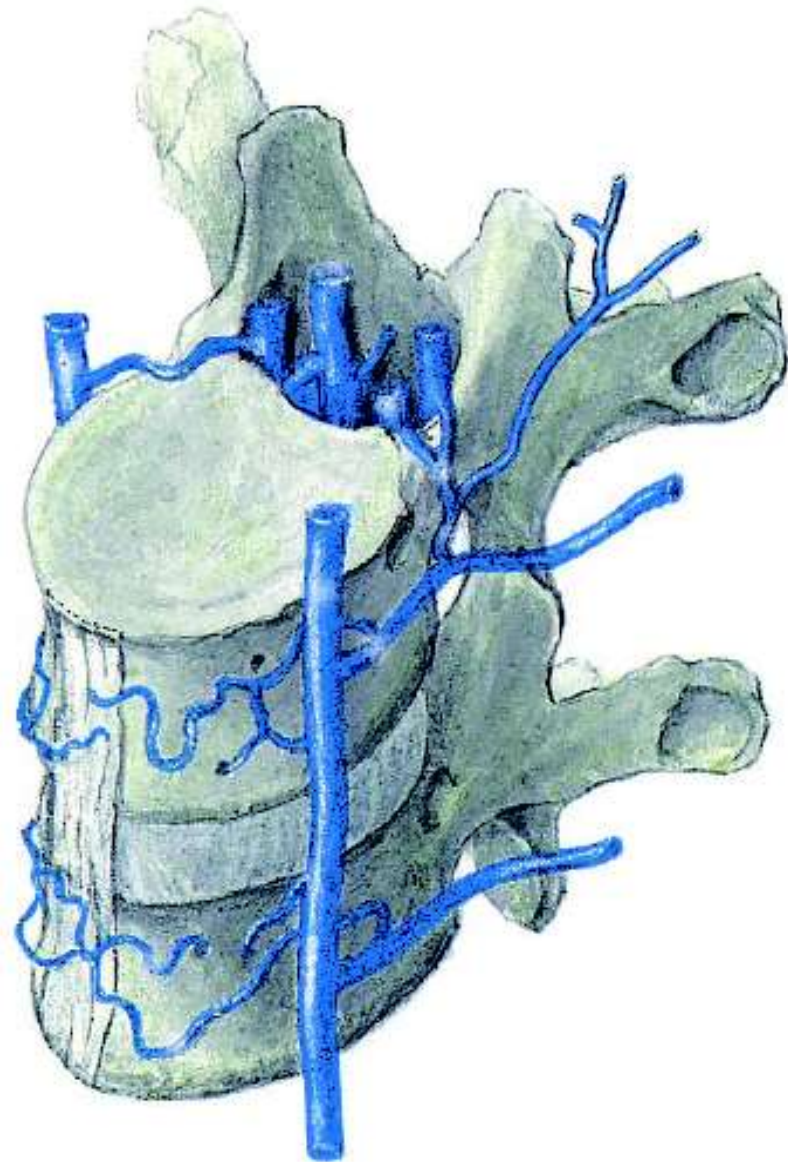
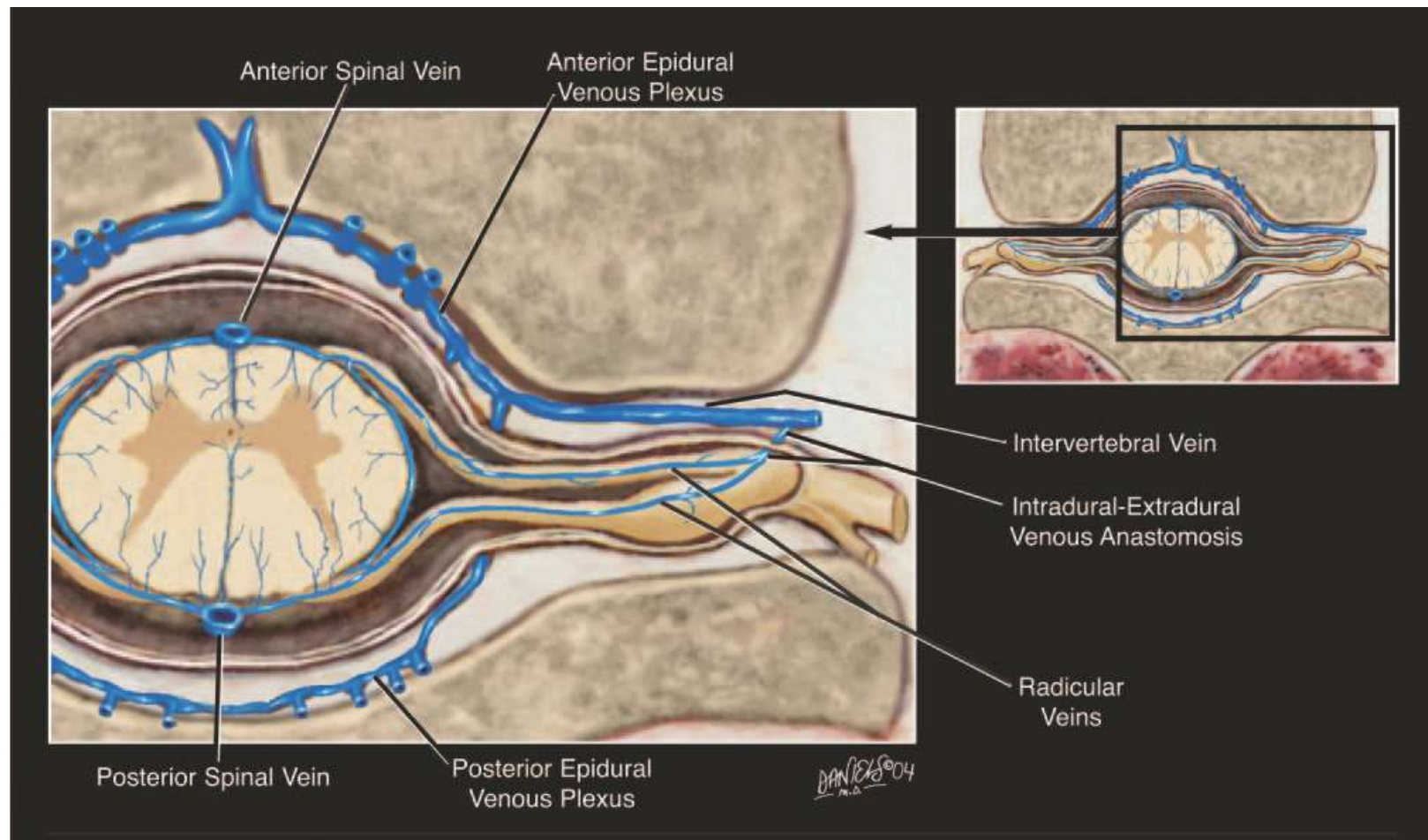
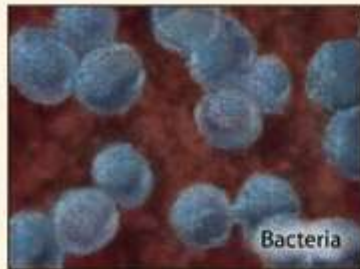


Illustration of intradural-extradural venous anastomosis. *Daniels after Netter.*



Common Sources of Infection



Bloodstream infection associated with a central venous catheter

Intravenous drug use

Catheter-related urinary tract infection

Vertebral osteomyelitis

Spinal catheter for analgesia or stimulation

Infected pressure sore

Spinal Epidural Abscess



Infectious Complications of Spinal Abscess



Endocarditis



Vertebral osteomyelitis



Psoas muscle abscess

Vertebral venous plexuses

- no valves, a lot of anastomoses
- anastomoses with venous plexus around sacrum and pelvis
- 1) in the vertebral canal in the epidural space (plexus venosi vertebrales interni)
- 2) outside the spine (plexus venosi vertebrales externi)
- 3) in the bodies of vertebrae (venae basivertebrales)

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