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RADIOLOGY REVIEW

Lecture 2

Cortical Related Lesions

Donot Forget

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IT'S A LONG WAY..... SO I TRY

To make it simple.... & Straight

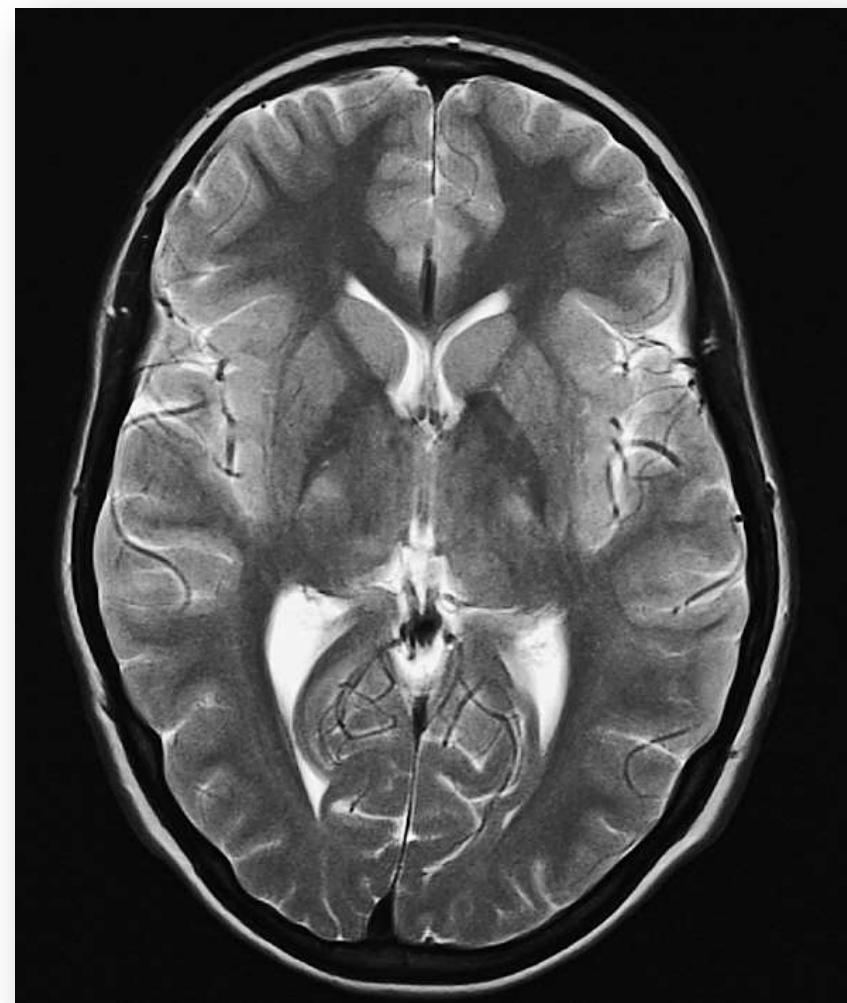
Brain Cortex

& Related Lesions

CT

&

MRI



CT



T1



T2



FLAIR



PD



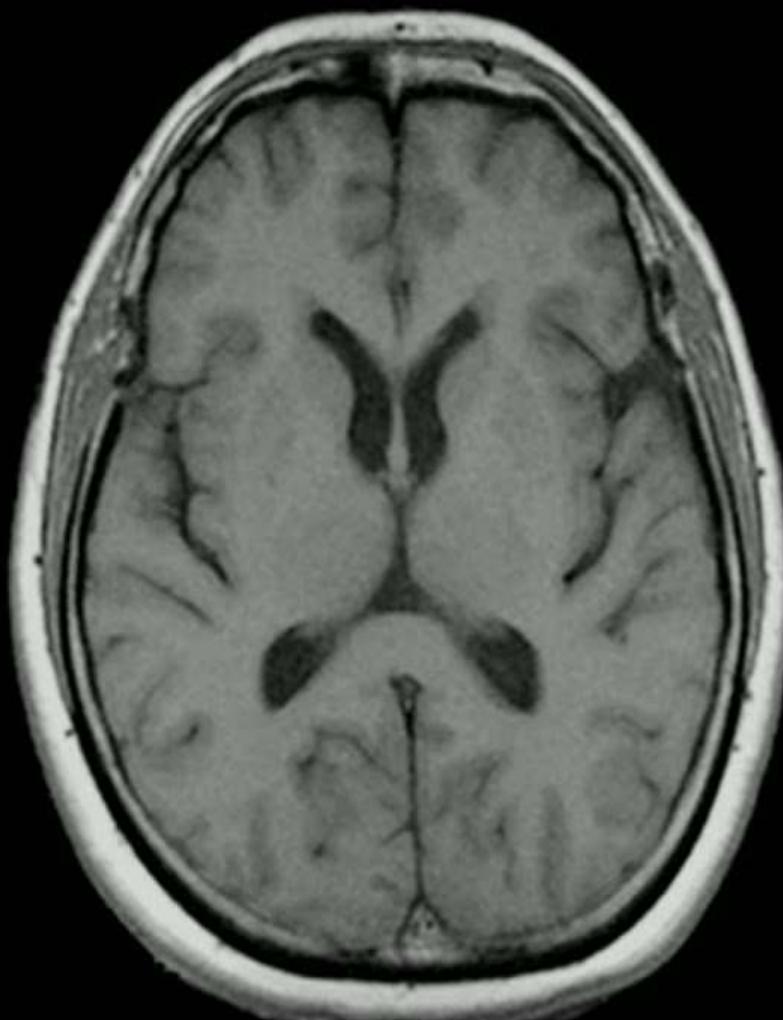
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T1 Sequence

Recognition:-

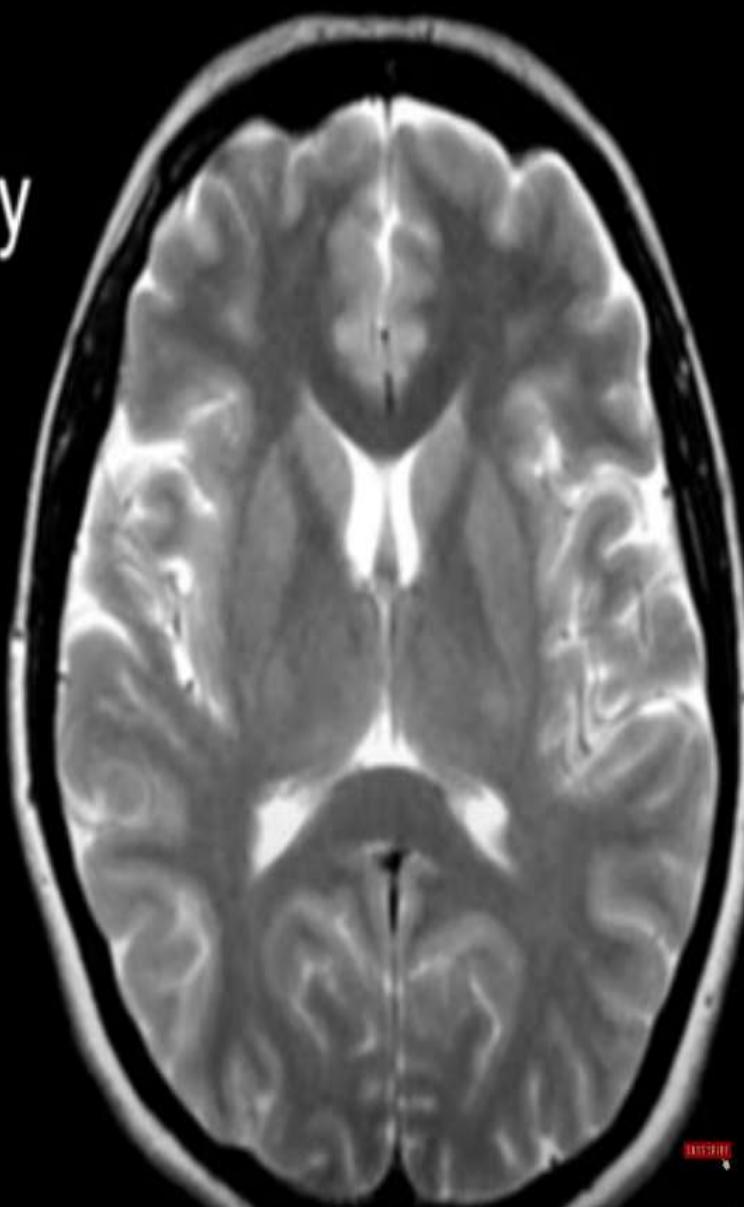
- White matter - Whiter
- Gray matter - Gray
- Fluid - Dark
- Fat - Bright
- Air - Dark
- Bone - Dark
- Muscles - Gray
- Moving blood - Dark



T2 Sequence

Recognition:-

- White matter - Dark than gray
- Gray matter - Gray
- Fluid - Bright
- Fat - Bright
- Air - Dark
- Bone - Dark
- Muscles - Gray
- Moving blood - Dark



FLAIR

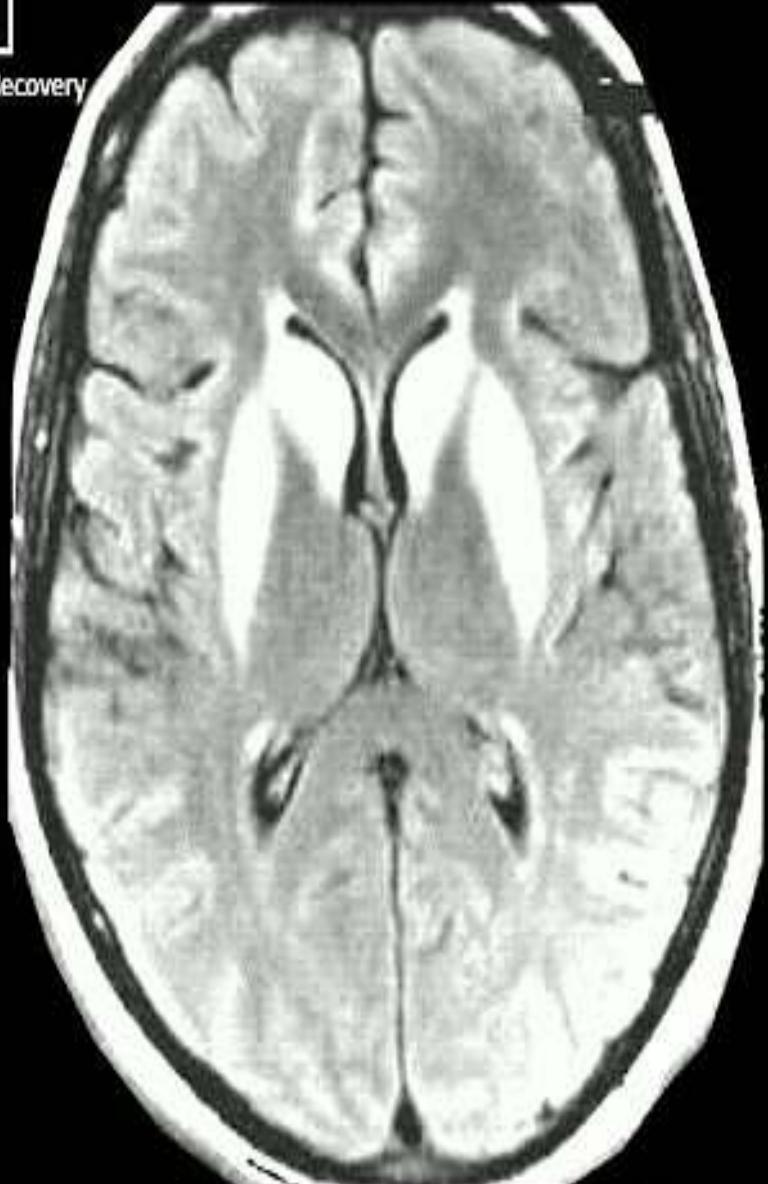
Fluid Attenuation Inversion Recovery

RECOGNITION

- T2 + free flowing water (CSF) is dark
- Non free flowing water is bright
- Fat is dark

USEFUL FOR

- Same as T2
- Delineation of lesions near ventricles
- Edema
- Can improve grey-white differentiation



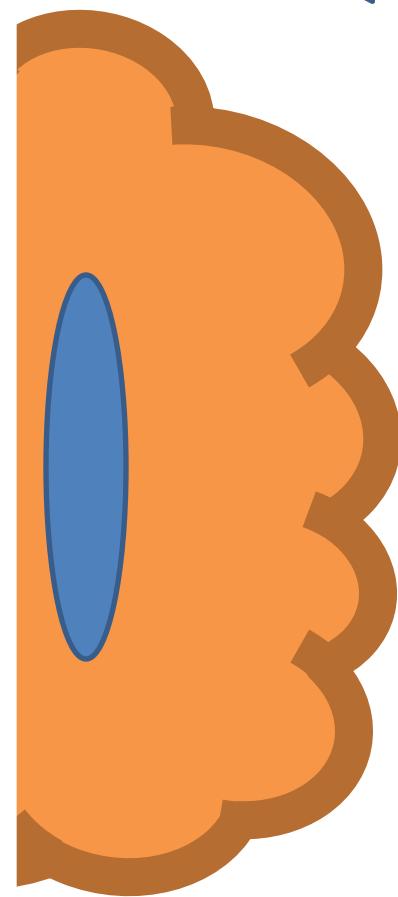
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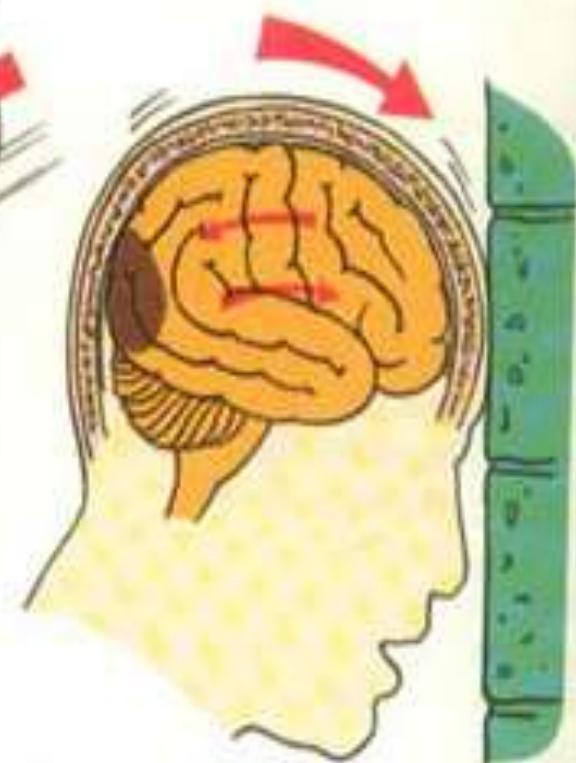
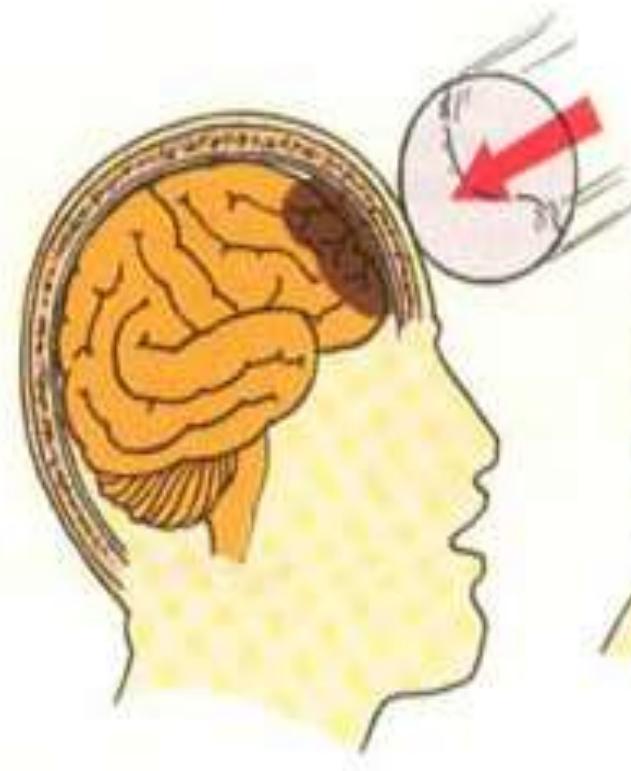
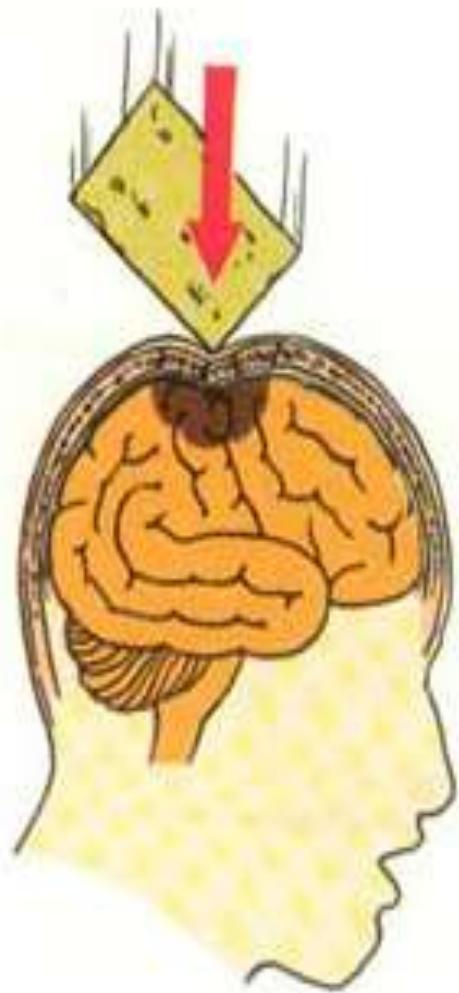
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FIXED ADULT BRAIN
38-20

28



**Lesions
Adjacent to cortex**

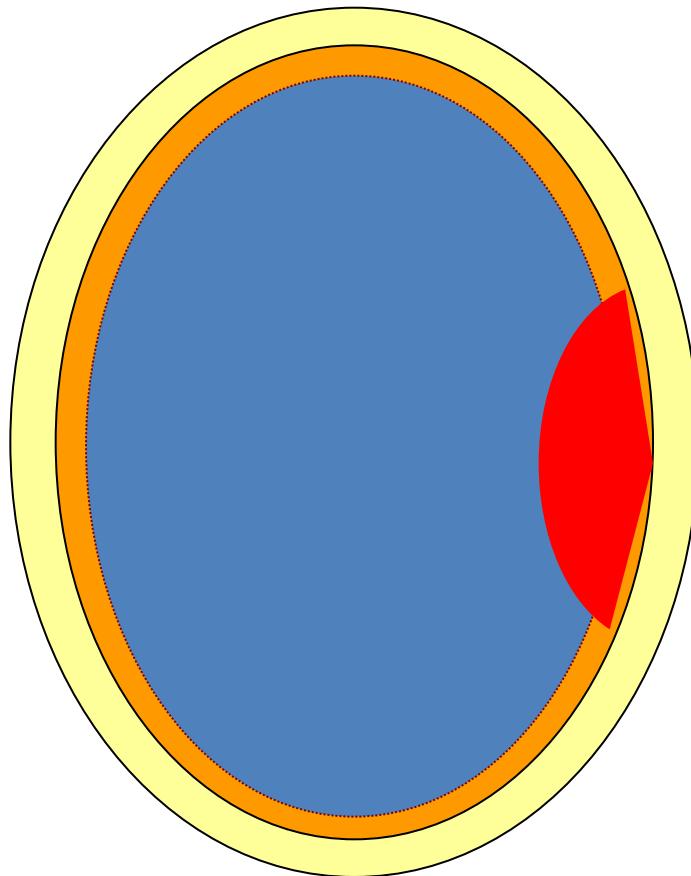


A

B

C

Figure 14-11



*Extra Dural
or
EpiDural*

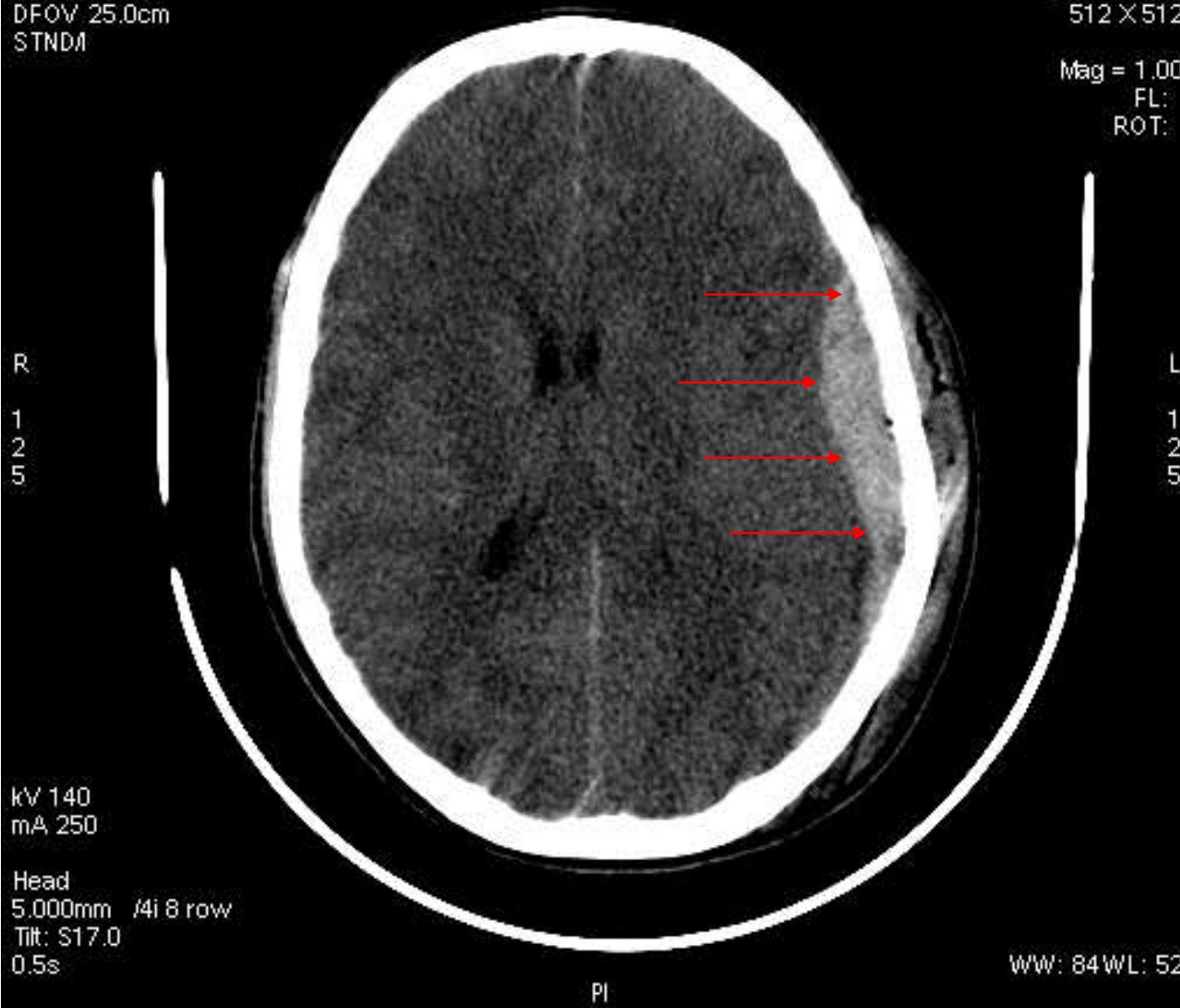


**Extradural
Haematoma**

GE MEDICAL SYSTEMS
LightSpeed Ultra CT01_000
Ex: 4882/4615
Se: 2
Im: 16
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DFOV 25.0cm
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Mag = 1.00
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ROT:



Se: 2/3
Im: 20/1
Ax: I751.7 (COL)

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5.0 mm/0.01

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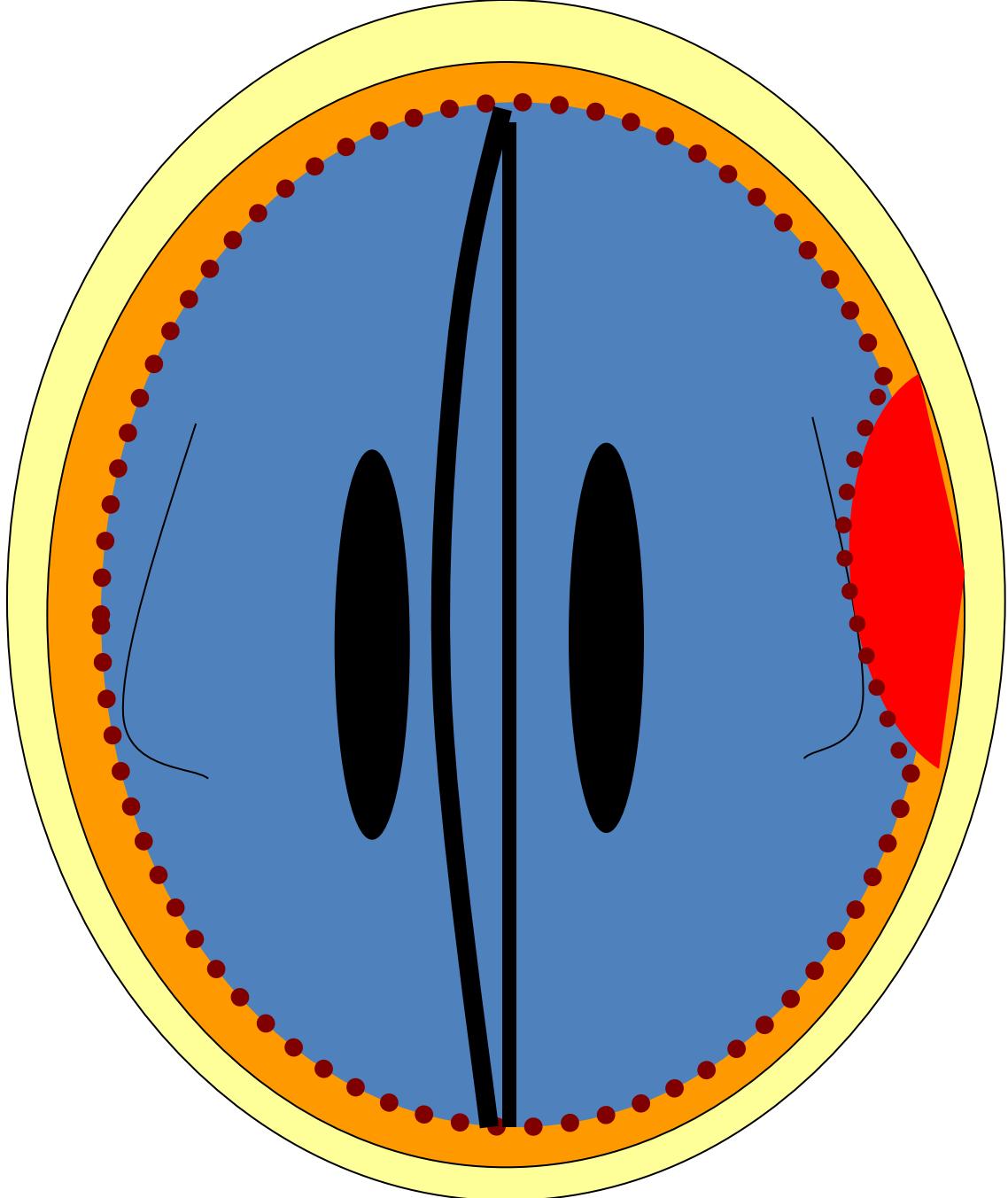
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W:80 L:35

Pi

**Do You Notice
MASS EFFECT ?**

* ***Mass effect :***

- cortical sulci effacement
- **Ventricle** compression
- **Medline Shift**



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Im: 20/1
Ax: 1751.7 (COI)

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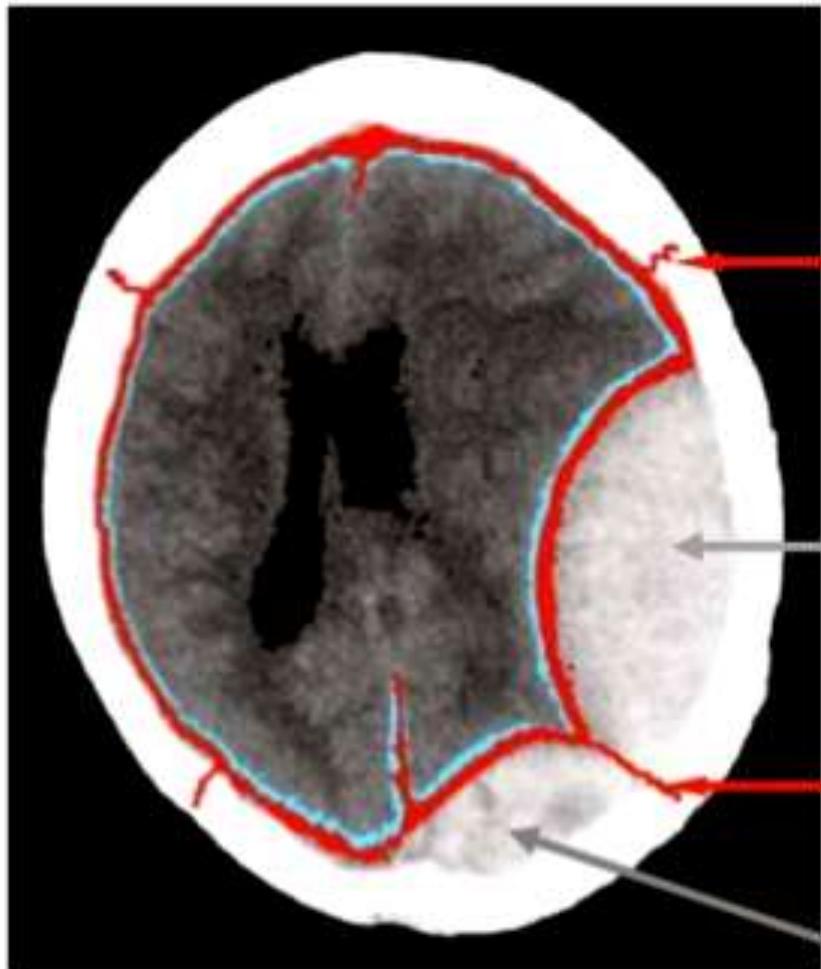
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Pi

Why Inner convex Border?



Dura inserted into
coronal suture

Parietal EDH constrained
between lambdoid and
coronal sutures

Dura inserted into
lambdoid suture

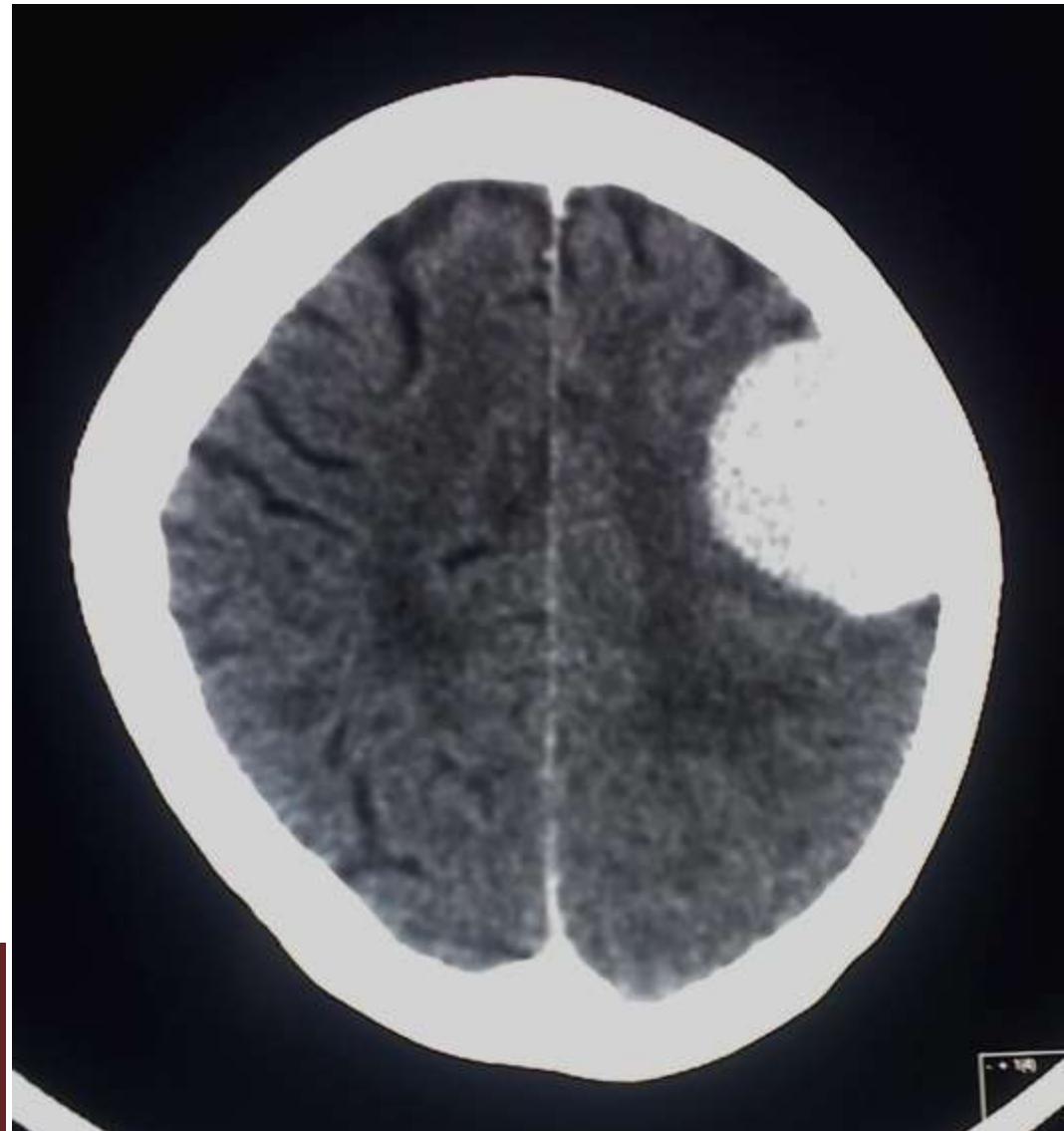
Occipital EDH constrained between
lambdoid and insertion of sagittal sinus
to skull

& THIS ?

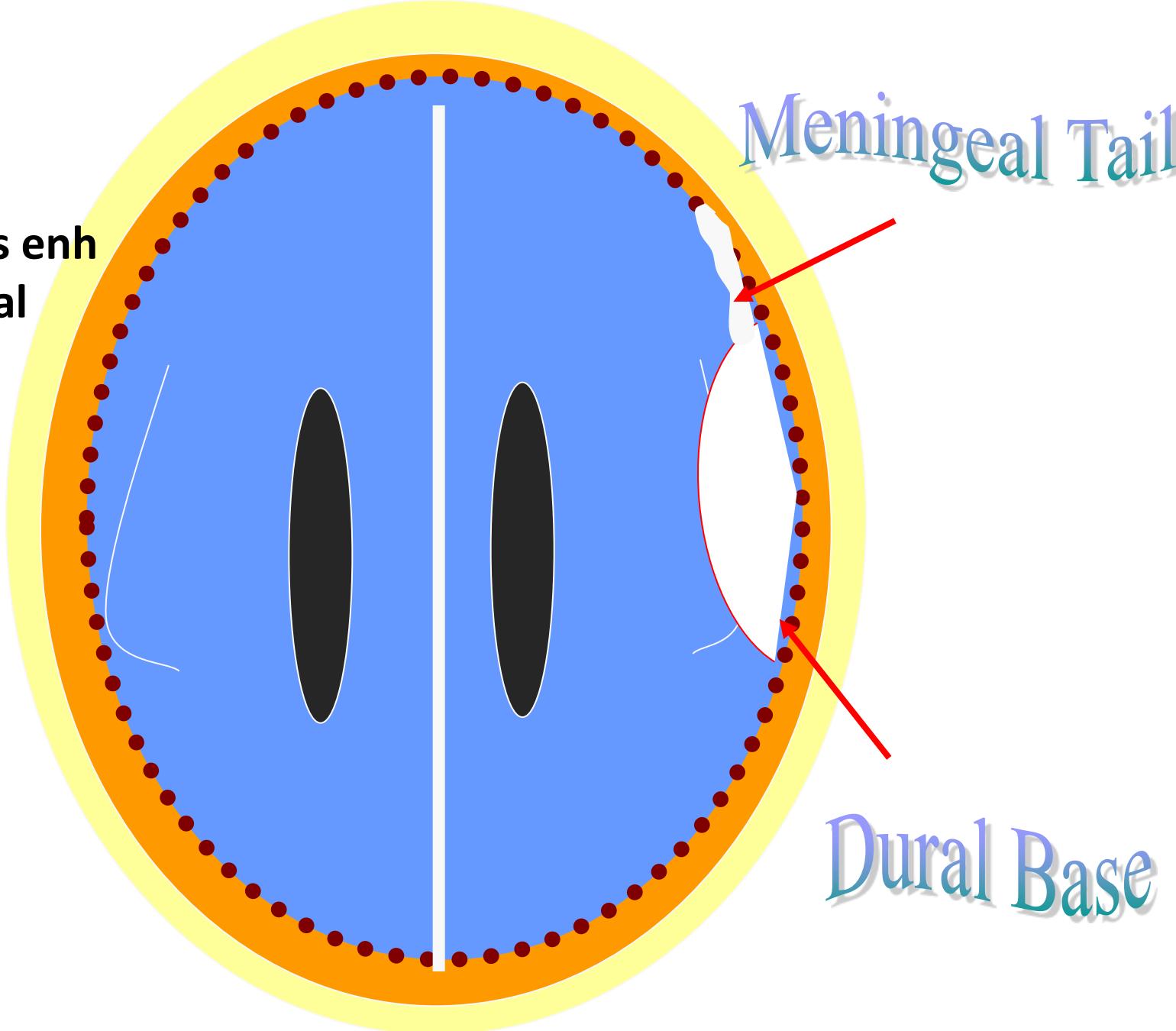
Enhanced CT

This is not EDH

Meningioma



- Dural Based
- Homogenous enh
- -/+Meningeal tail



MENINGIOMA

- Tumor of Meninges. = It is **Extra-Axial Neoplasm**.
- Commonest **homogenous enhancing** neoplasm of the brain.
- **Dural Base** = wide connection to dura

+/_

-**Calcification** 10:20%

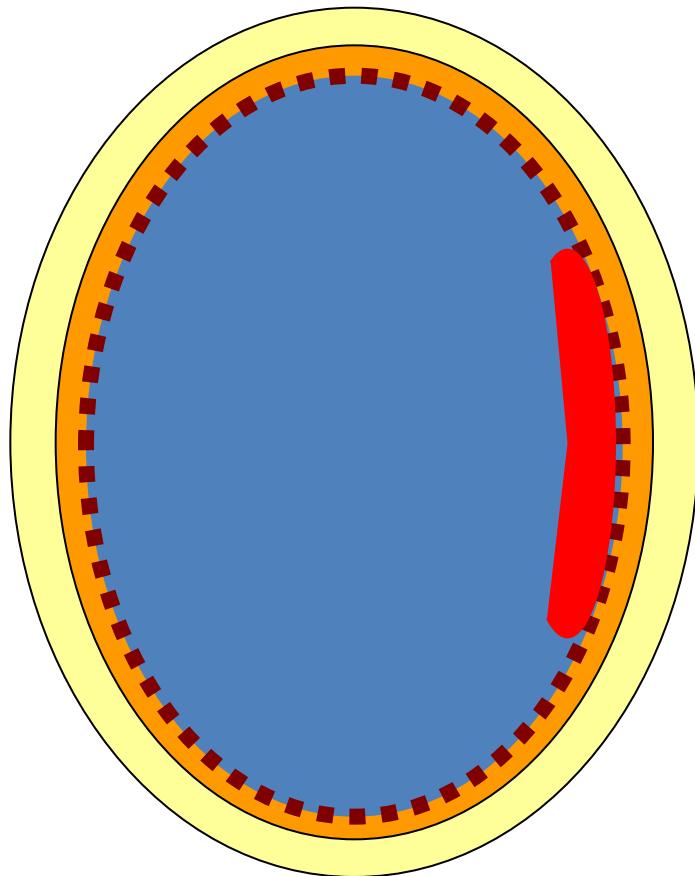
-**Bone Sclerosis** = Bone irritation.

-**Edema** 40%

Rapidly grow → More edema

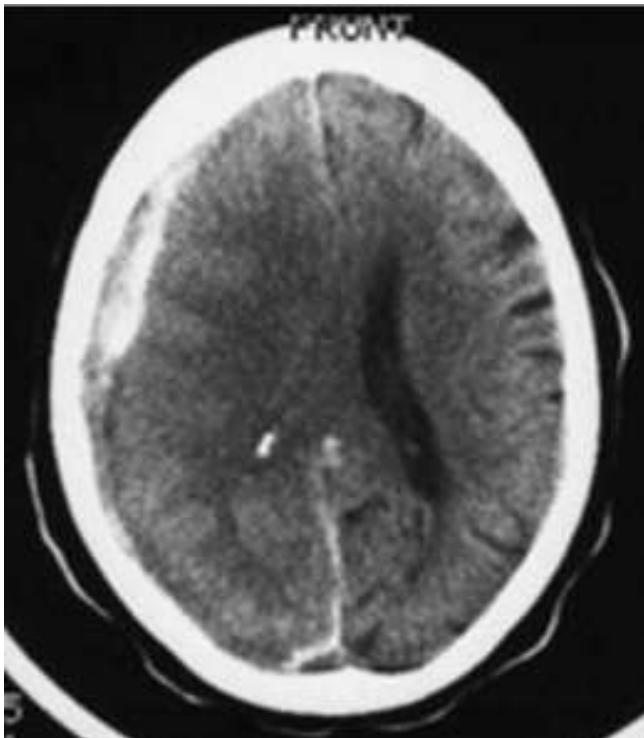
-**Meningeal Tail:**

Not Specific Sign
of Meningial irritation.

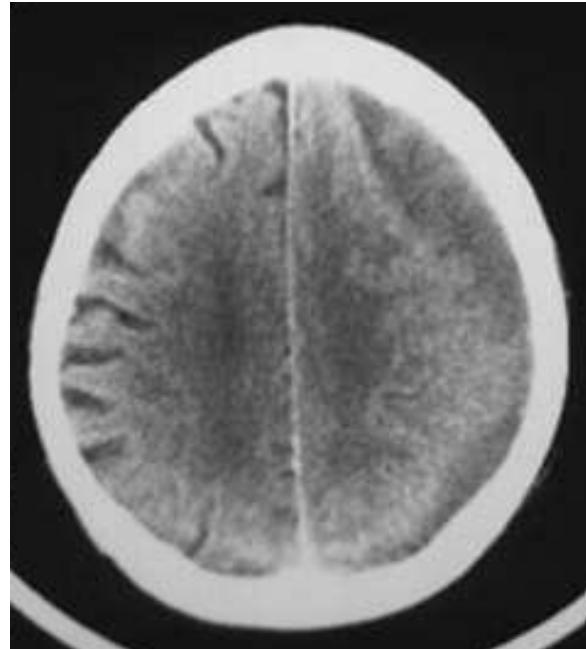


Sub Dural

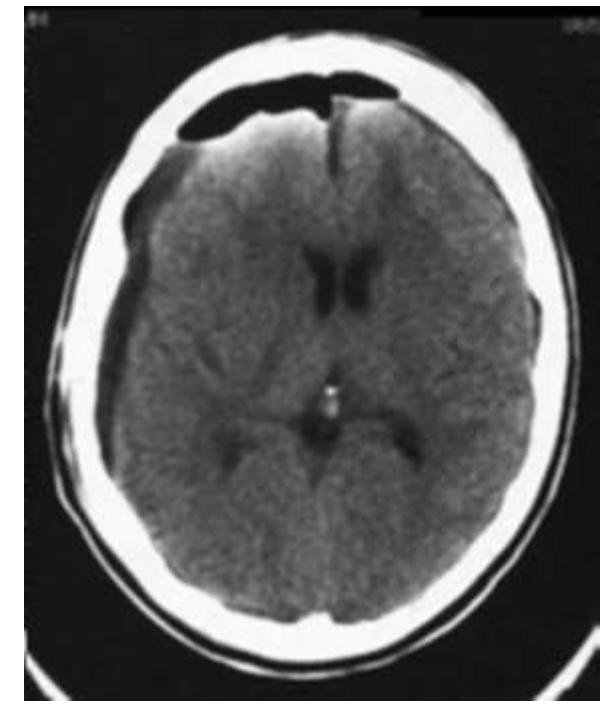
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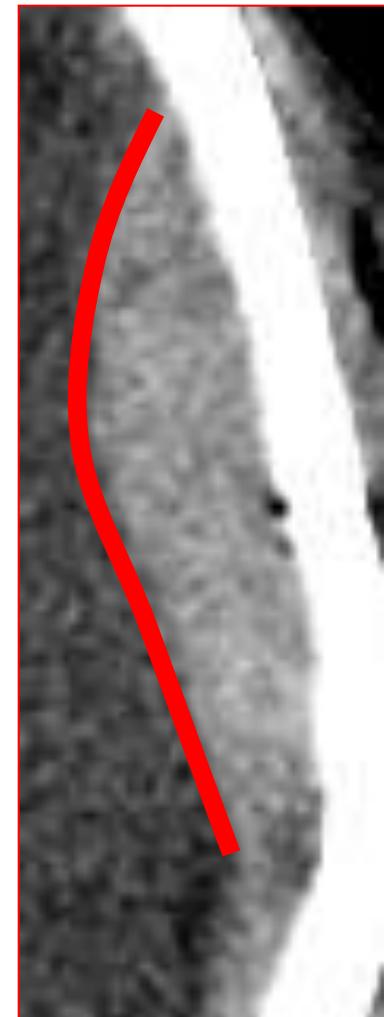
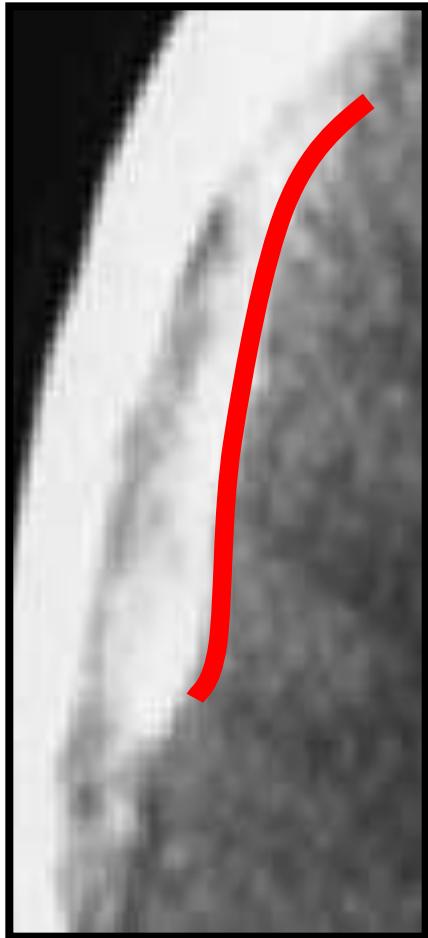
B- Sub acute



3-Chronic SDH.

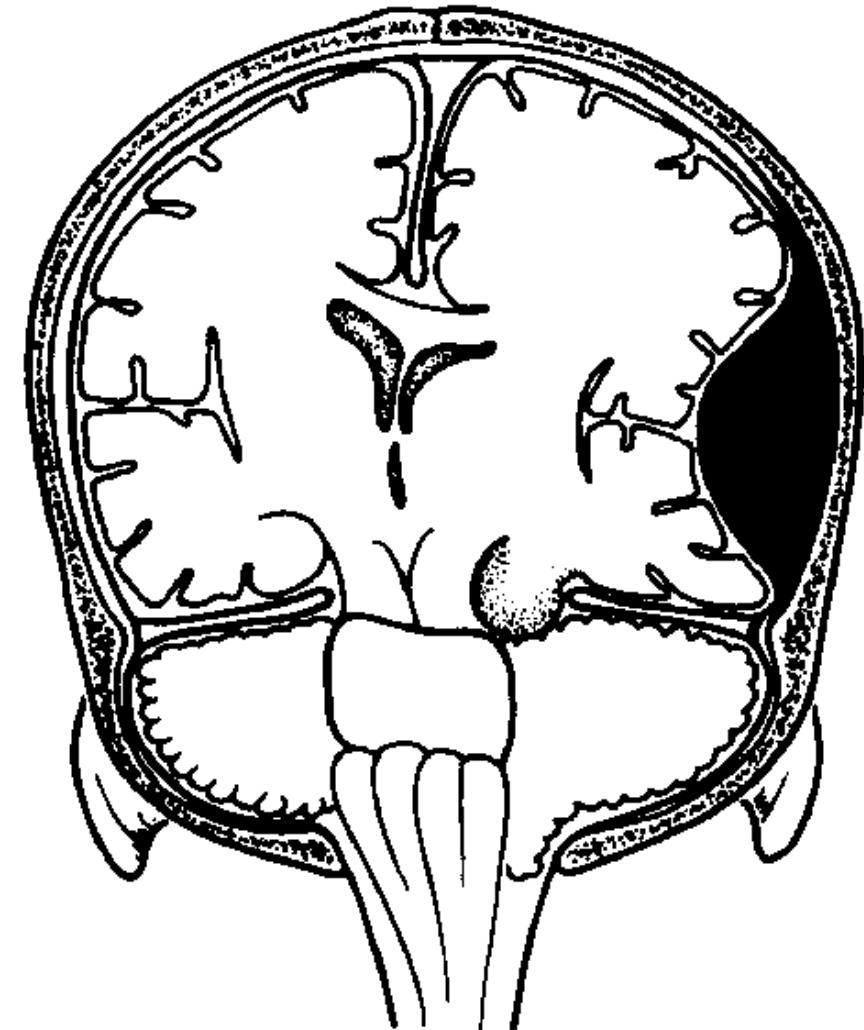


SUB OR EXTRA ?

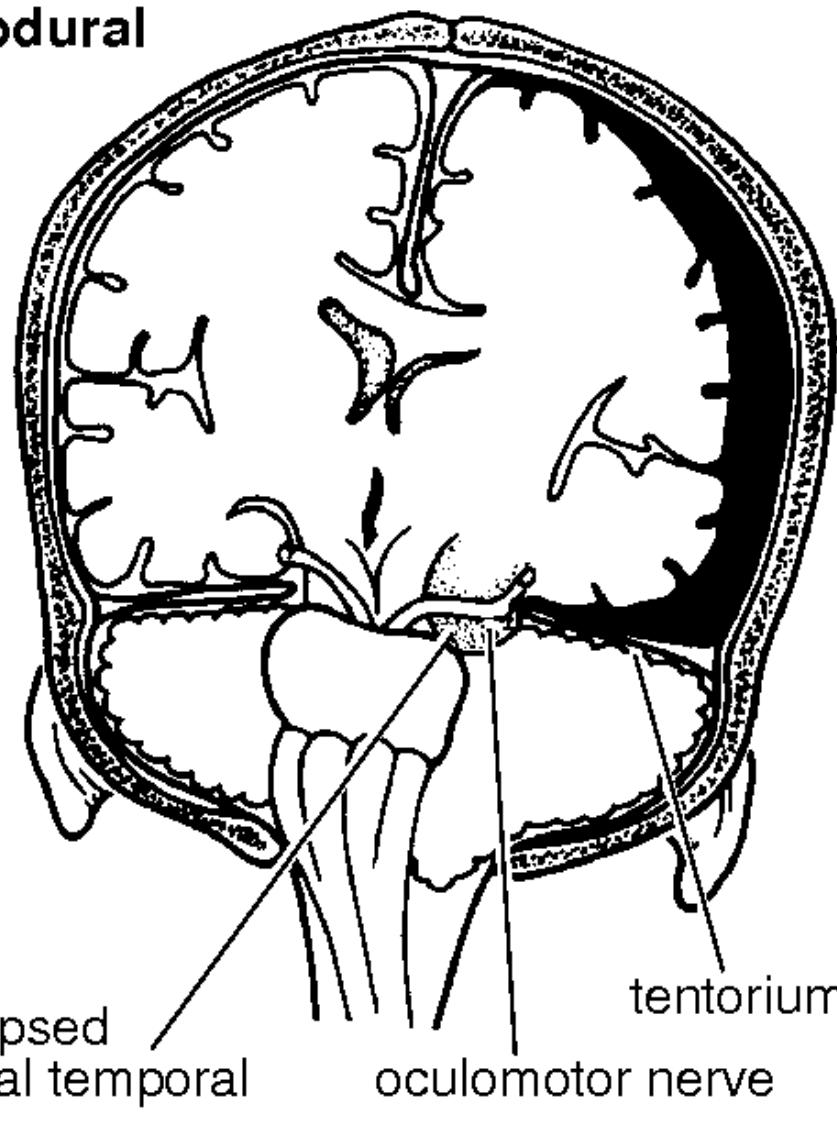


INTRACRANIAL HAEMORRHAGE

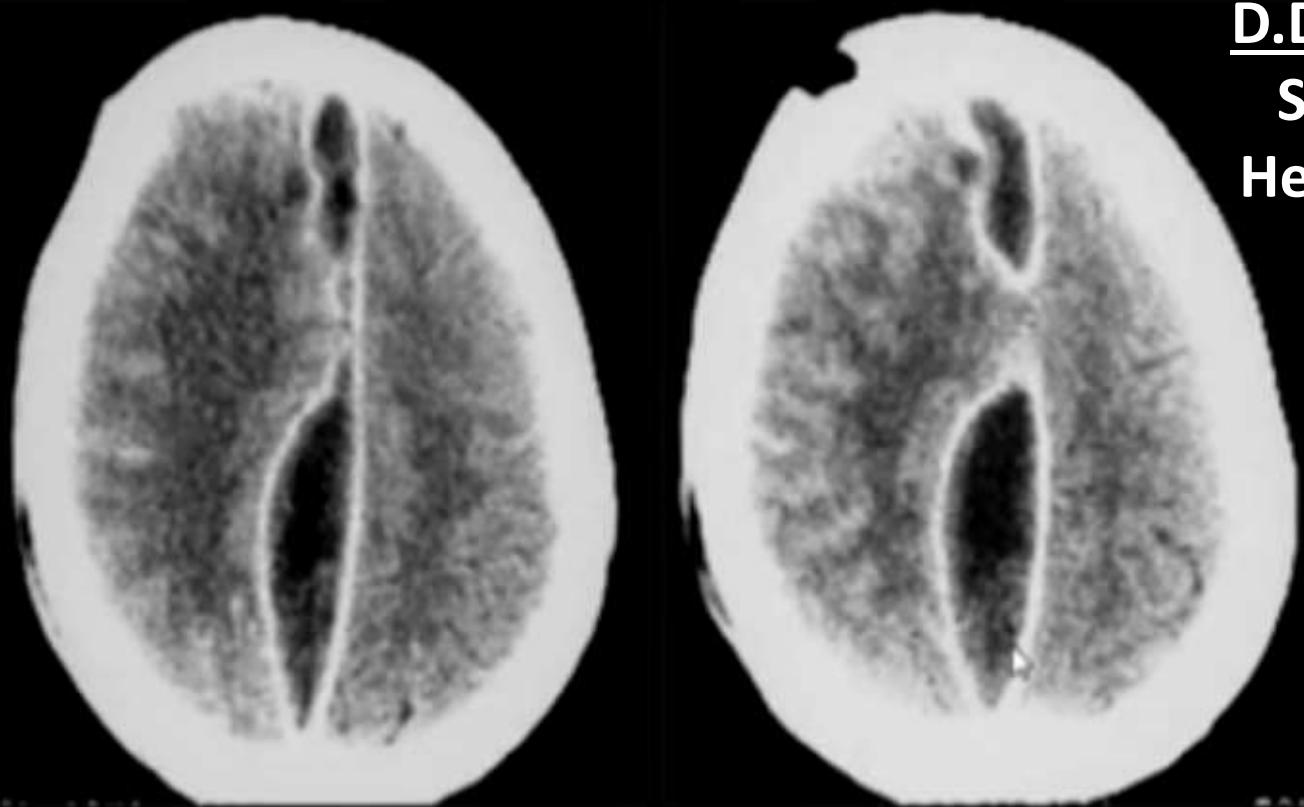
Extradural



Subdural



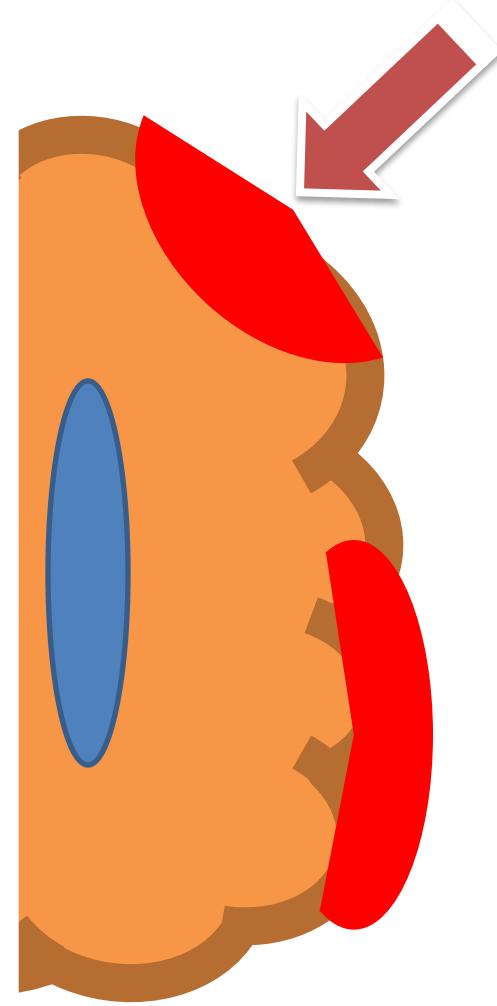
Para sagittal subdural empyema



D.D. Chronic
Subdural
Hematoma

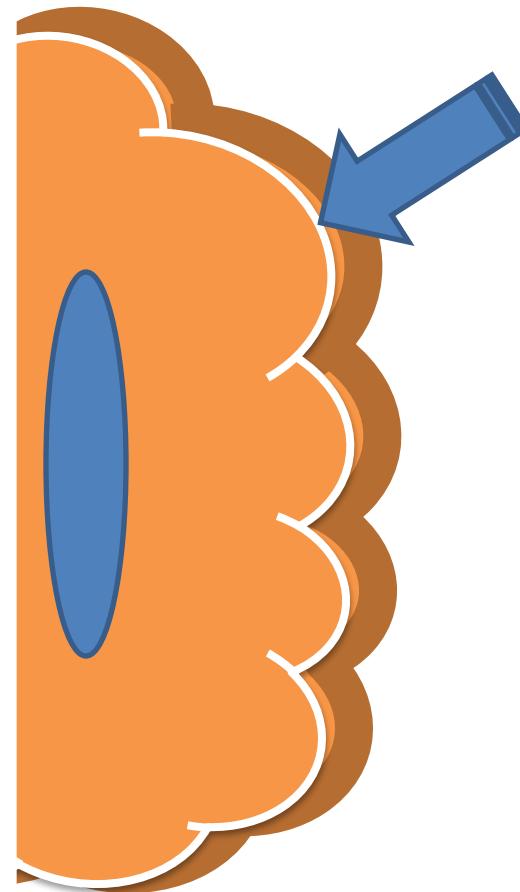
* Key

Clinical Picture - Ring enhancement



White Sulci

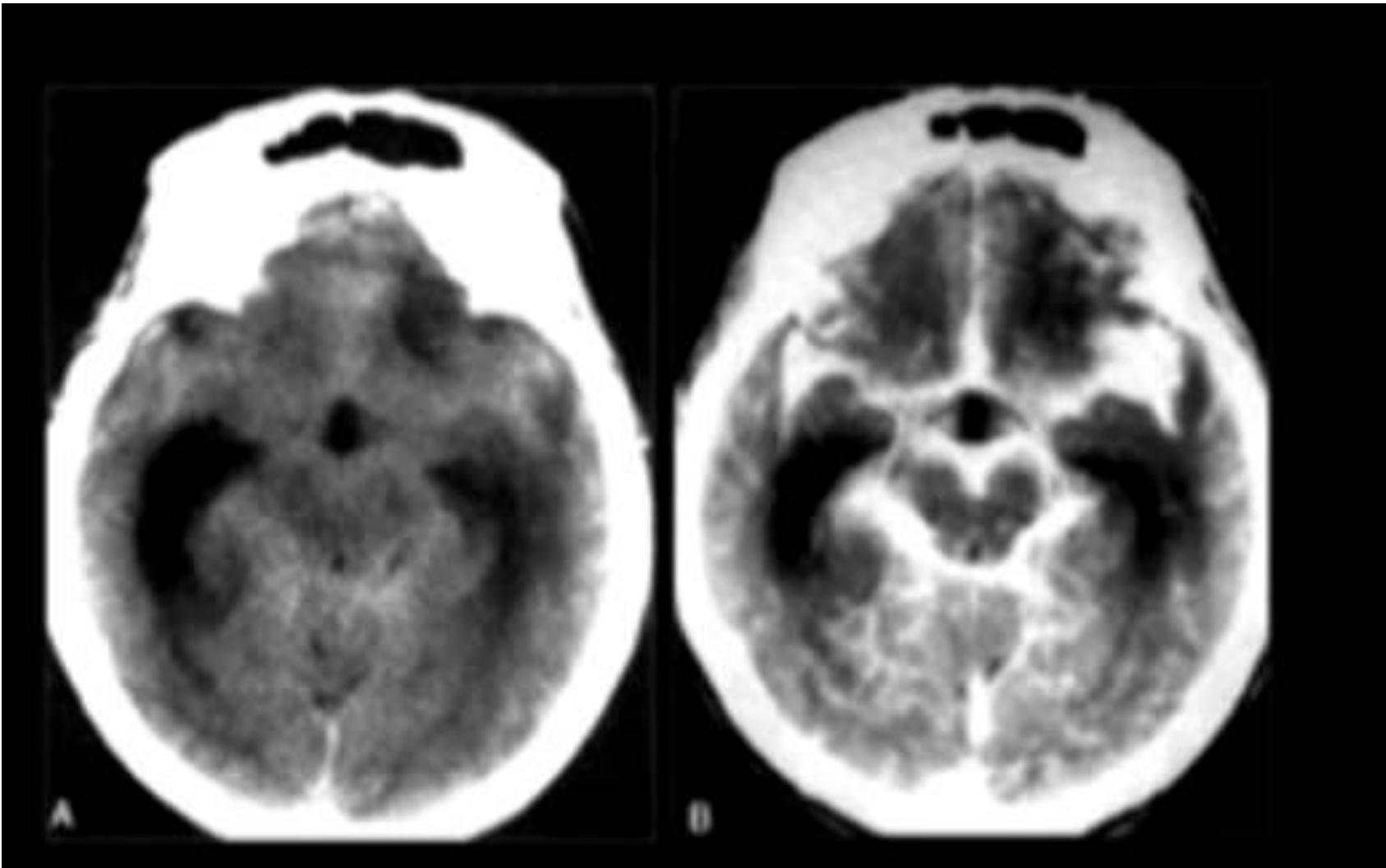
- Plain CT →
Subarachnoid Hage
- CT + C →
Meningitis



Donot Forget History & CP



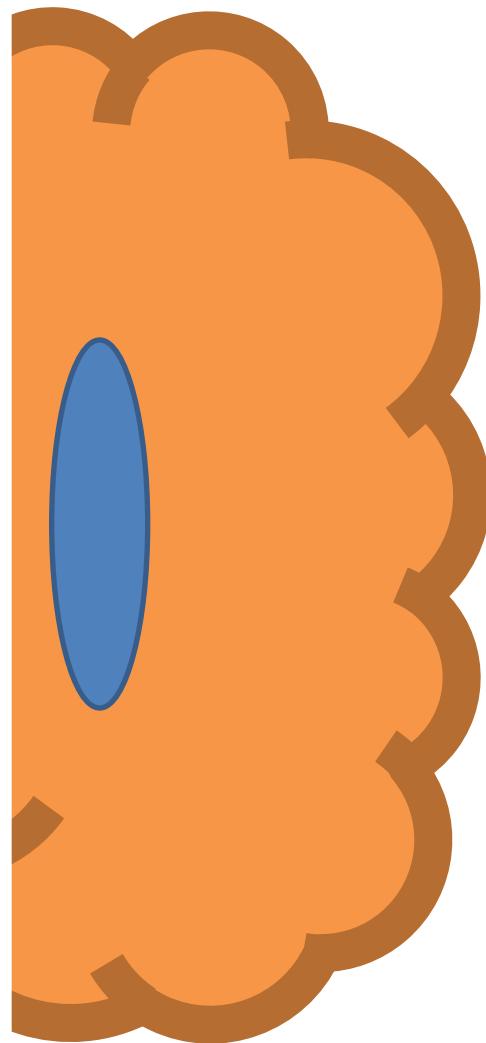
Subarachnoid Haemorrhage



*Don't Rash to Diagnose
This Case Subarachnoid
Hemorrhage Notice
it is post contrast Scan*

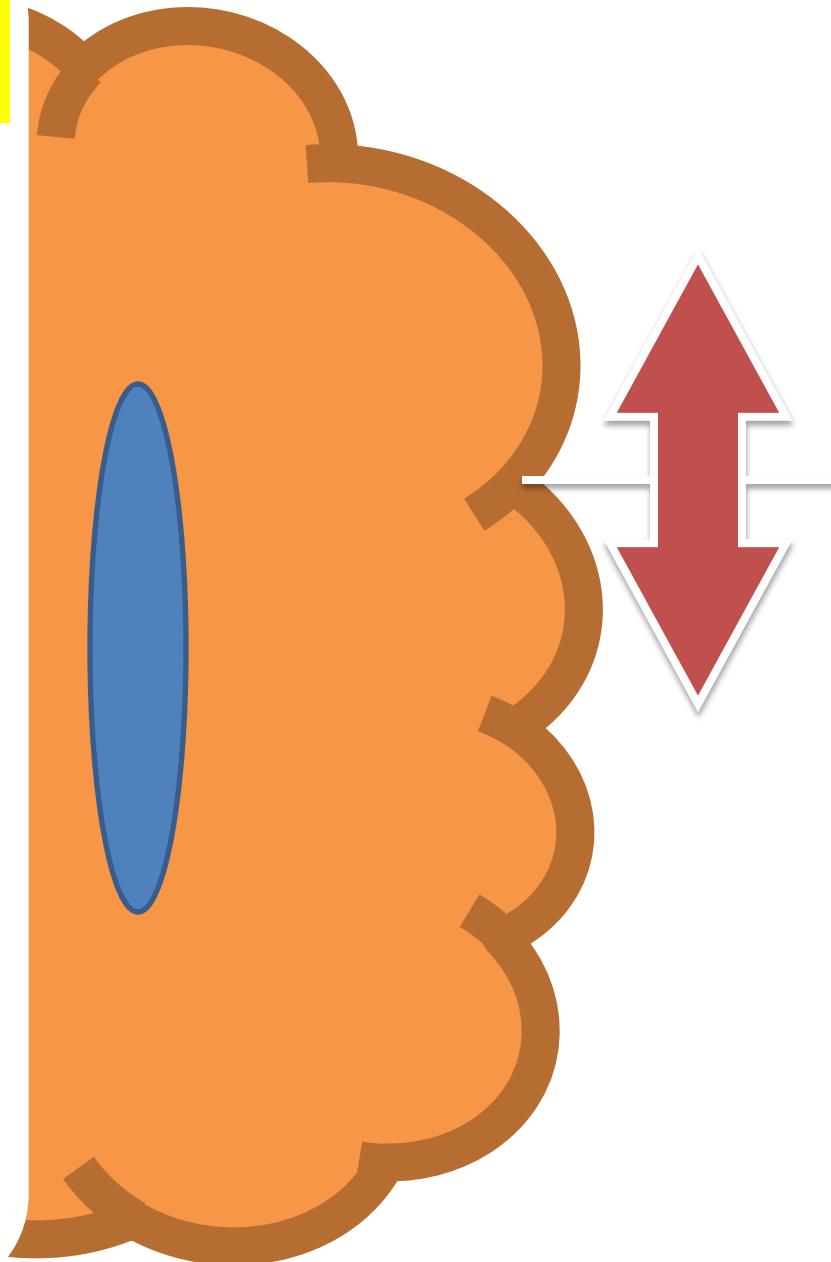
Cortical Lesions & Morphological changes

Wide
Smooth
Multiple
DOUBLICATED
Island
Split

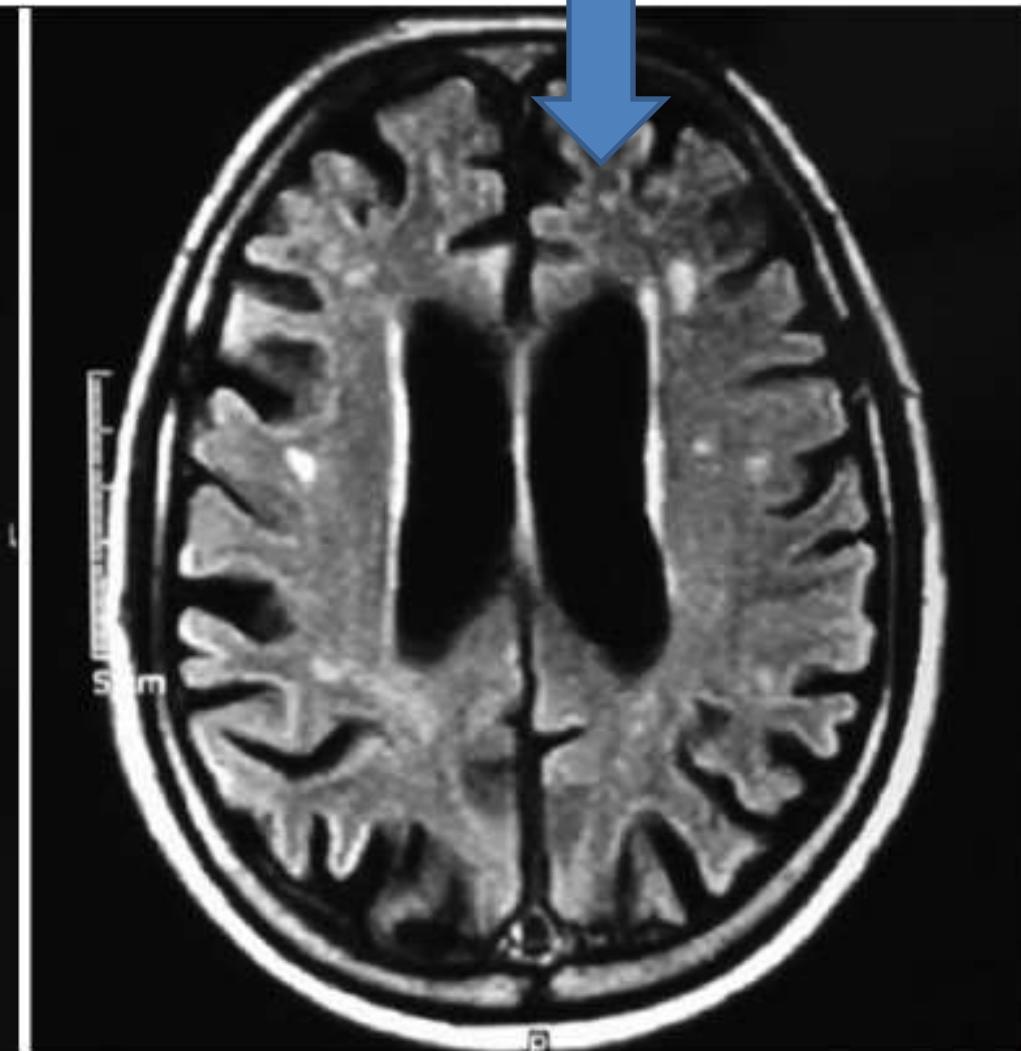
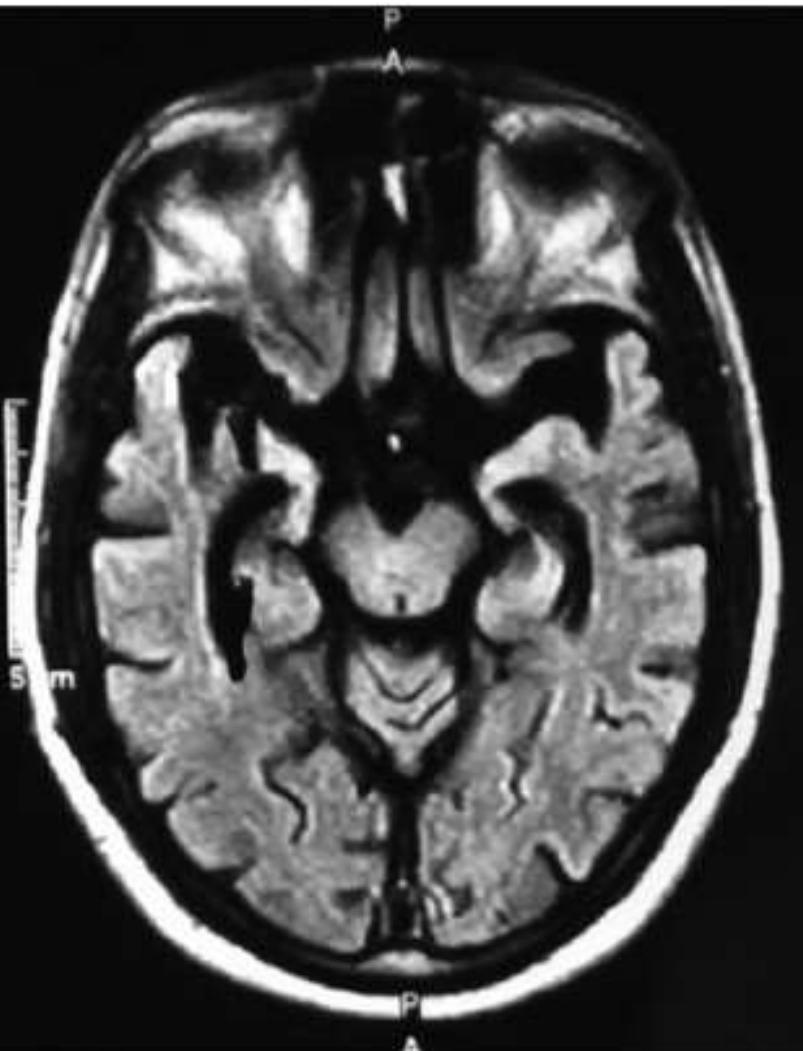


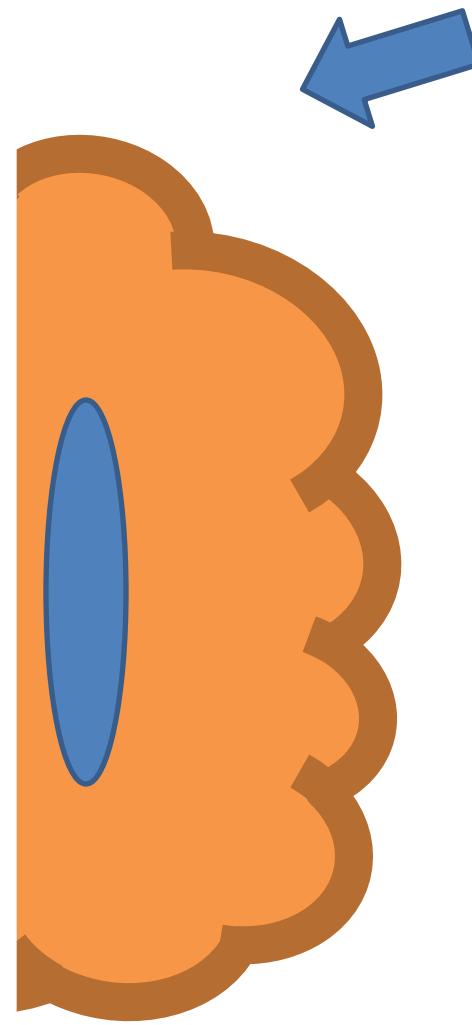
WIDENED CORTICAL SULCI

- *Senile*
- *Brain Atrophy*



Atrophic changes is associated with wide Ventricular systemi.e. Normotensive dilatation



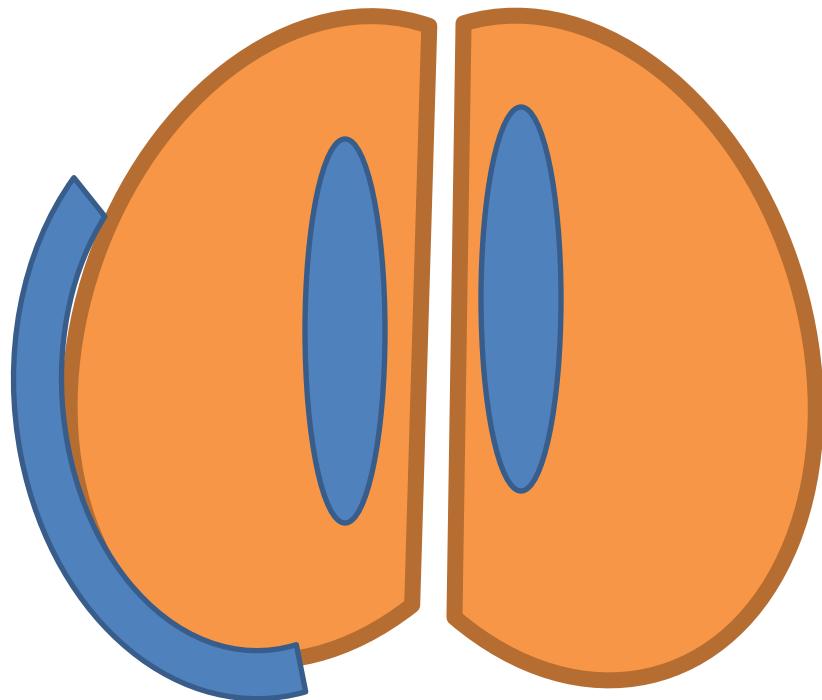


If Cortical Sulci → Smooth

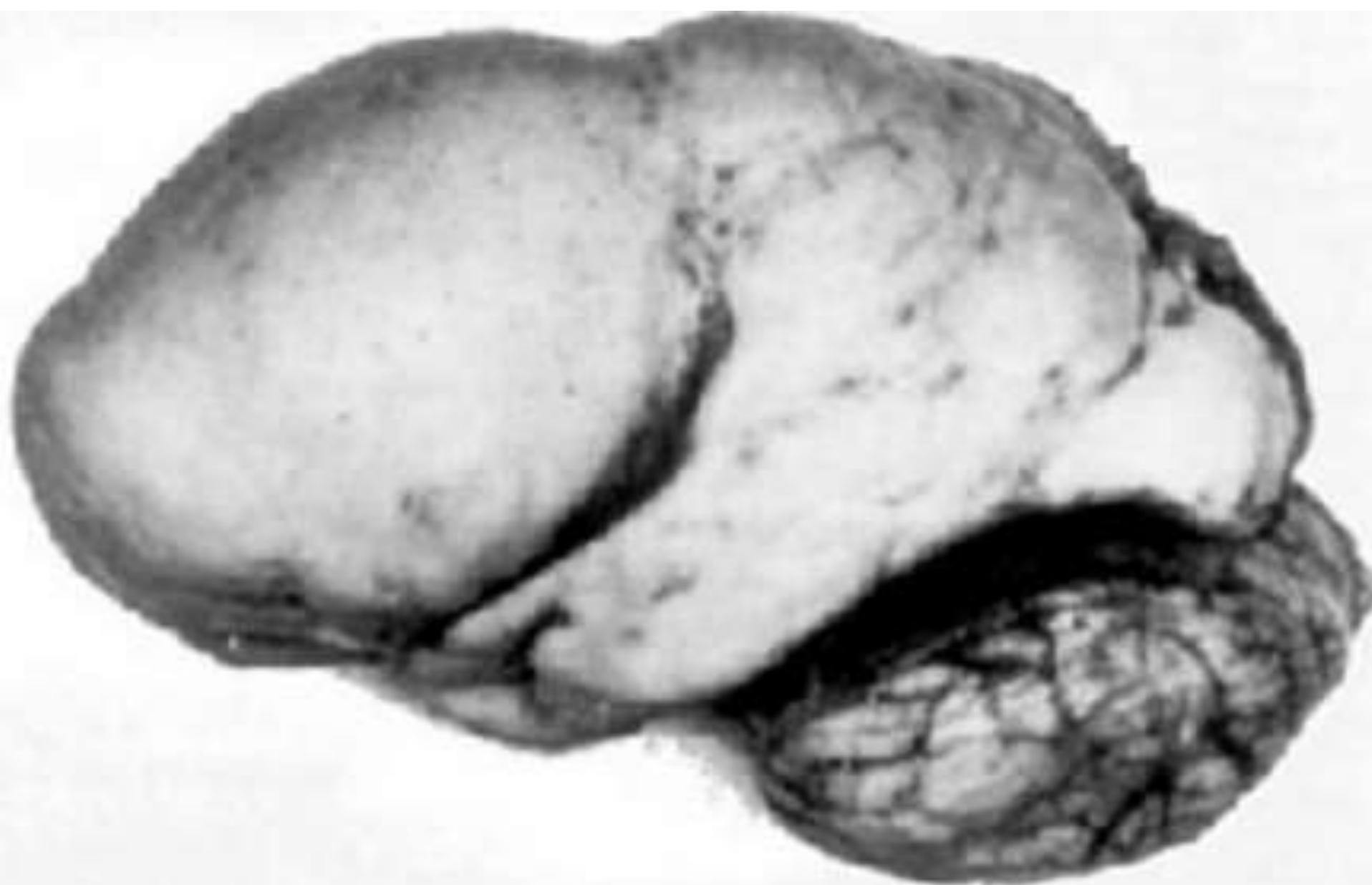
SMOOTH BRAIN =

Lissencephaly

- Rare
- Neuronal Migration Disorder



ISS ENCEPHALY



Normal



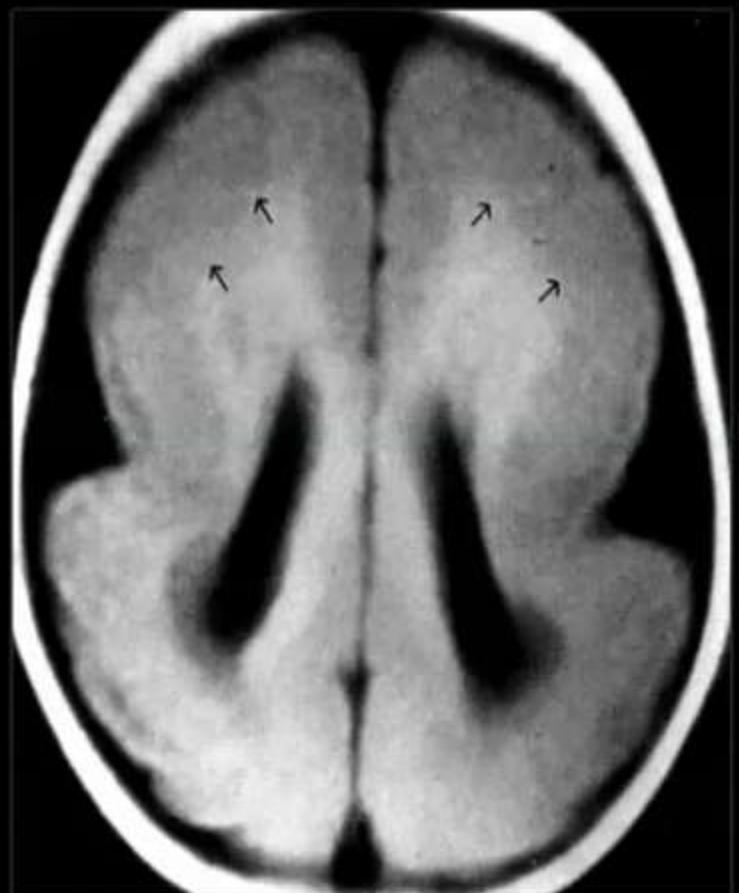
Lissencephaly



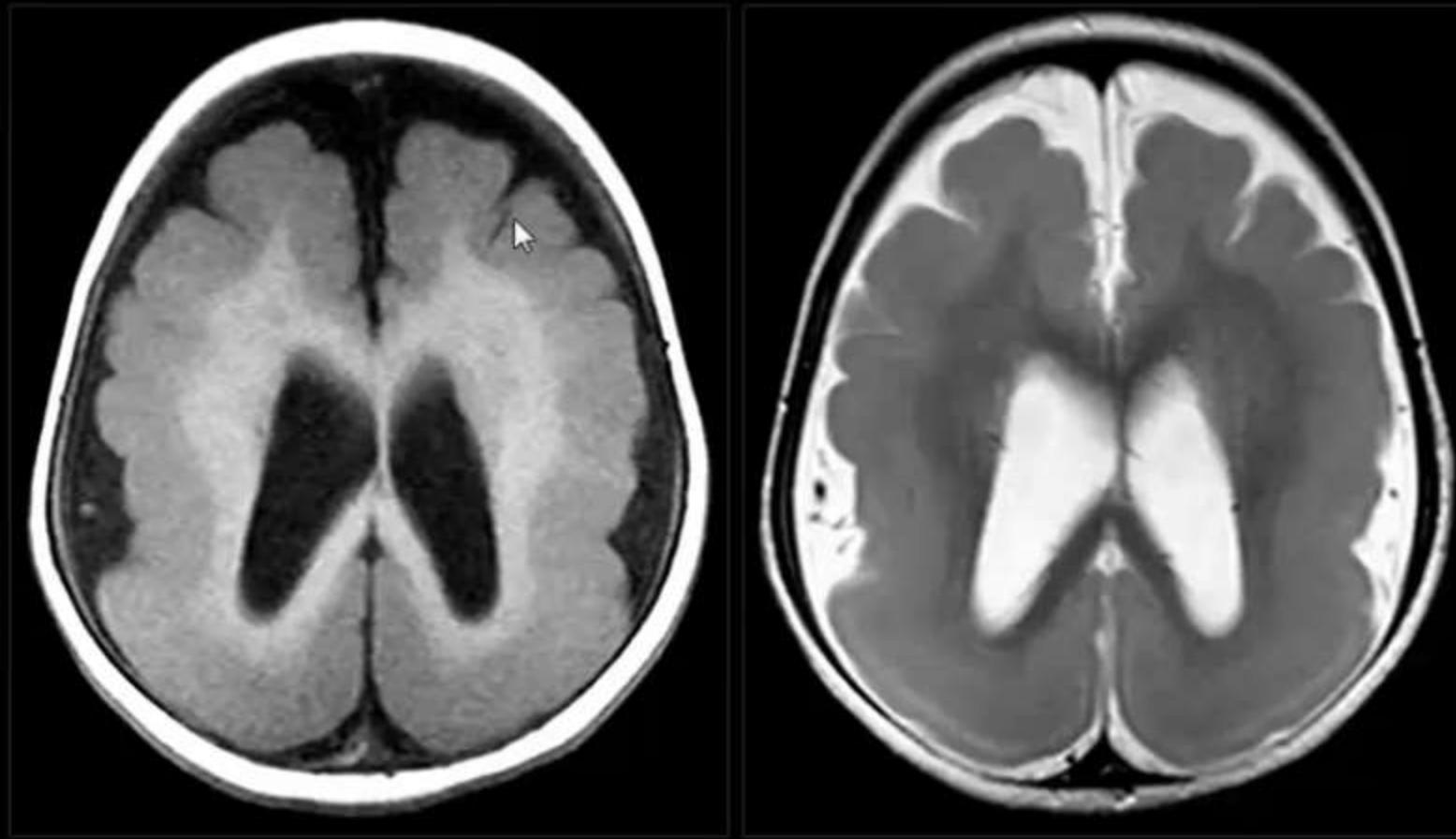
Lissencephaly

MRI

- ◆ Agyric brain with areas of pachygryia
- ◆ Hour glass configuration of the brain
- ◆ Primitive vertical Sylvian fissures
- ◆ Small temporal lobes

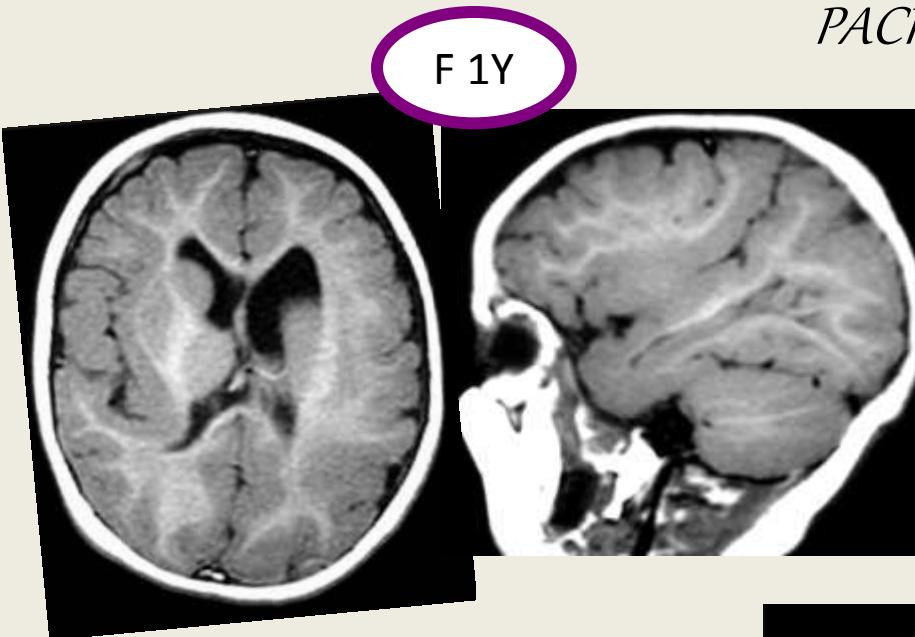


Lissencephaly



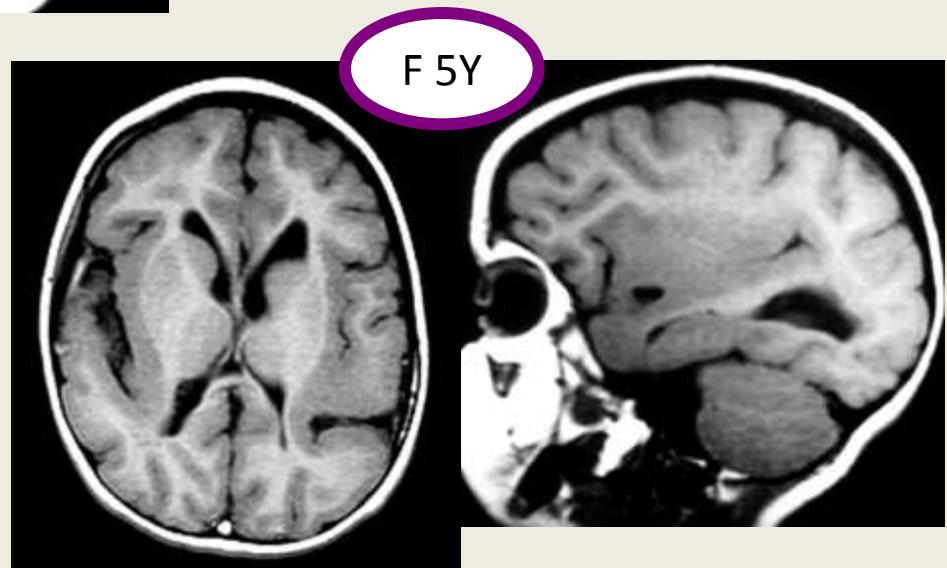
Few gyrai may be noticed in few cases..... but always Thick

Fewer “thick” gyrai

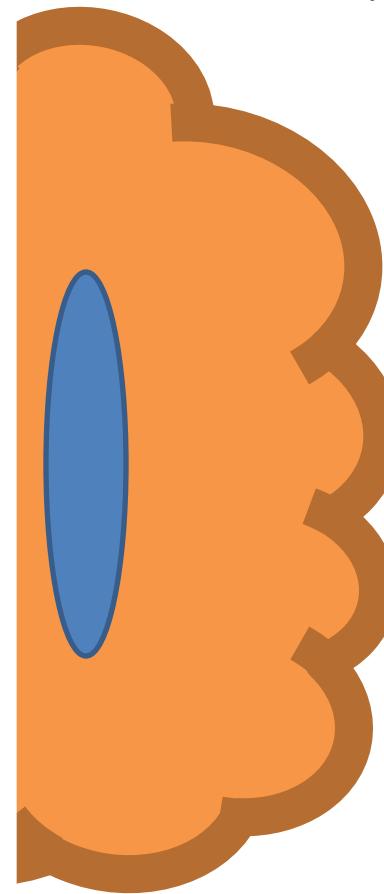


PACHY = Thick

PACHYGYRIA



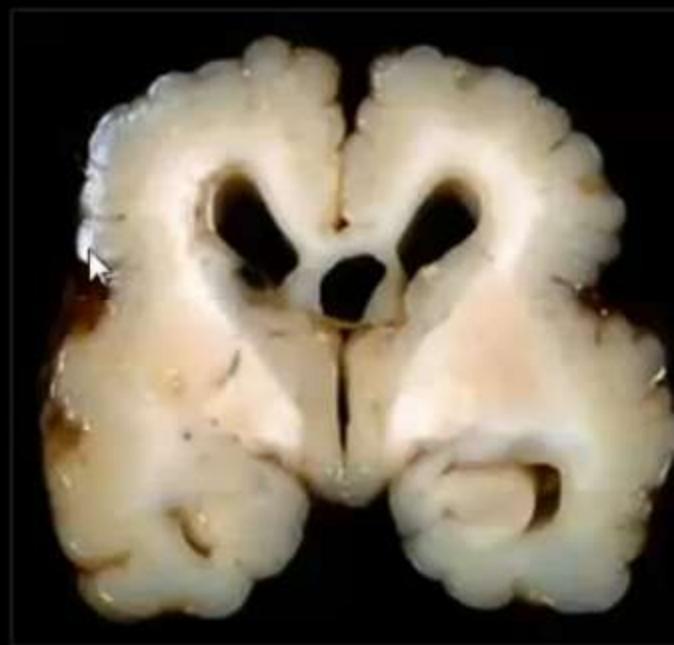
SULCI INCREASED IN NUMBER



*If Cortical Sulci →
increase in number & smaller*

Polymicrogyria PMG

- ◆ Thickened cortex with many small gyri
- ◆ Gyri may be so small to be identified on imaging
- ◆ Flat thick cortex similar to pachygryia or agyria
- ◆ 3D reformatted images are diagnostic



PMG Locations

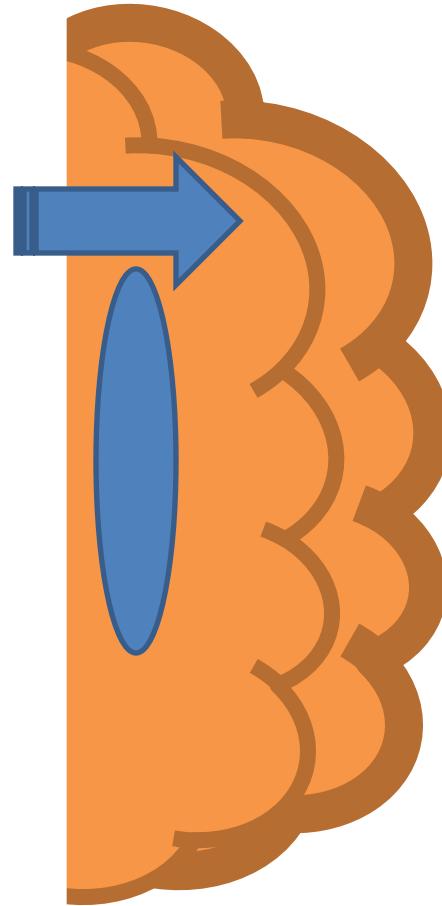
- Unilateral 40%
- Bilateral 60%
- **Perisylvian** 80%
- Frontal 70%
- Parietal 63%
- Temporal 38%
- Occipital 7%



80 %
Peri
Sylvian

- If this cortex is

DOUBLICATED



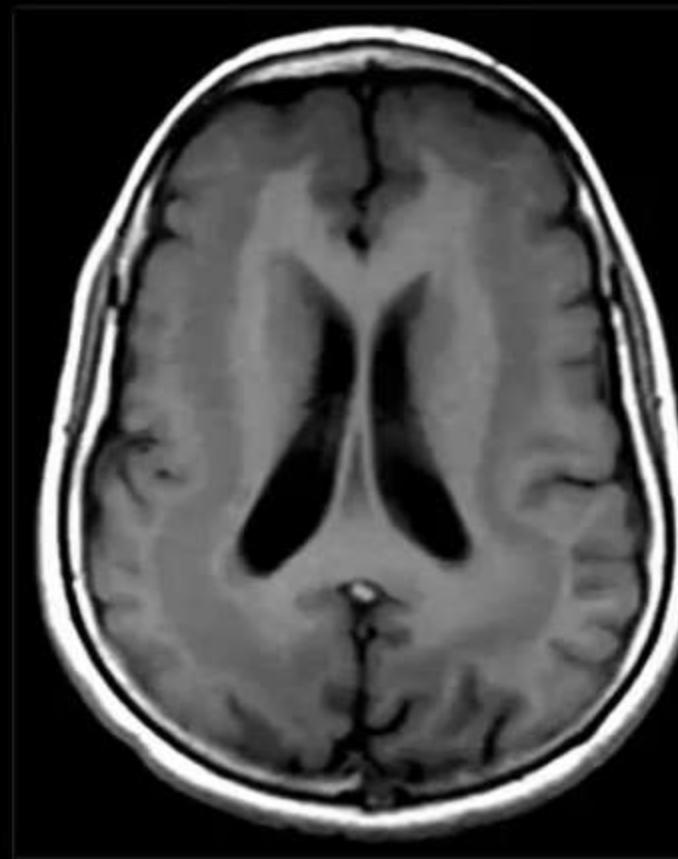
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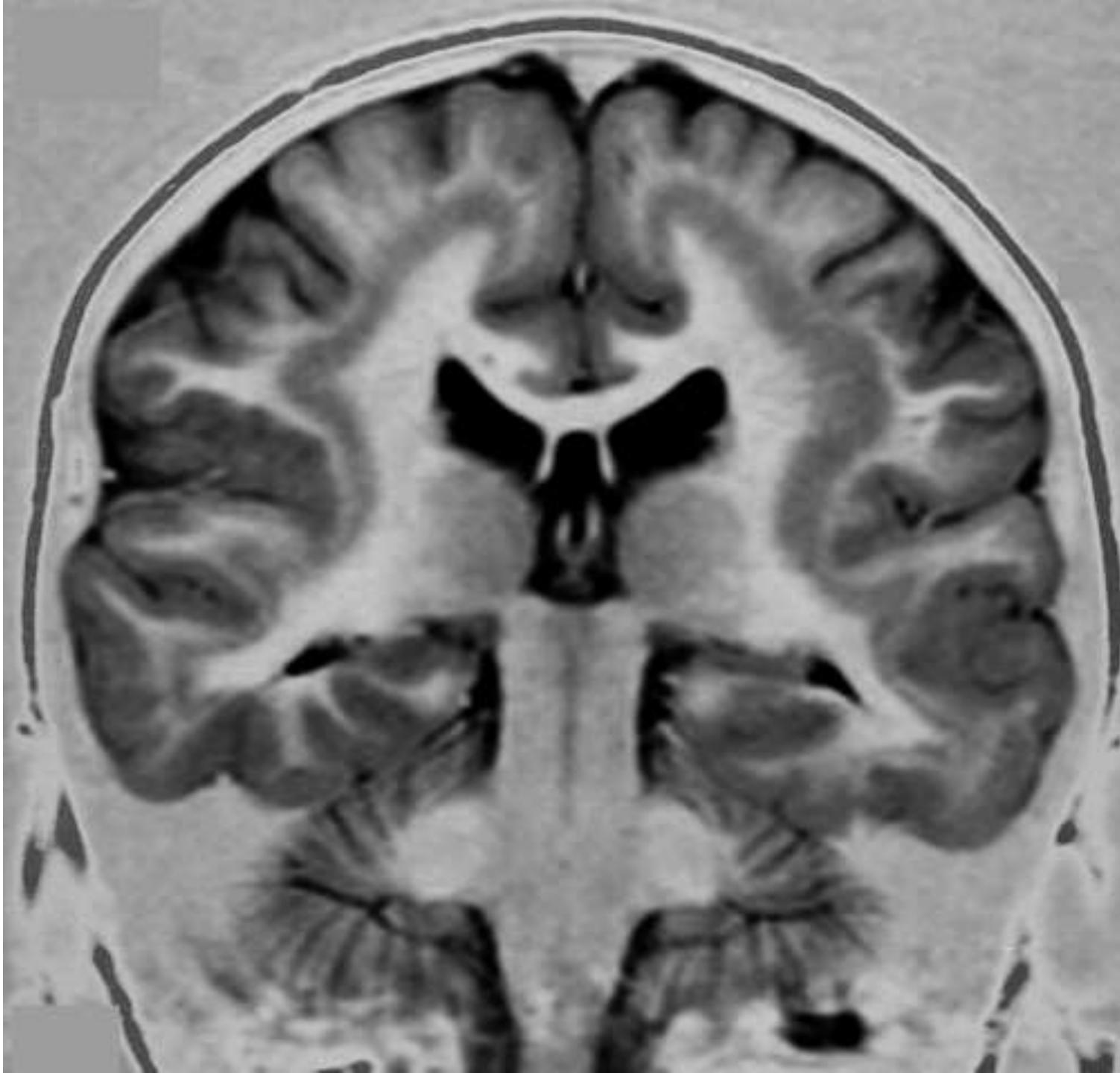
- Cortex is Duplicated = **Double Cortex**
- or **band** of cortex added= **Band Heterotopia**

Band Heterotopia

The severity of symptoms correlates with

- Thickness of the heterotopic band
- High signal on T2 WIs
- Degree of ventriculomegaly

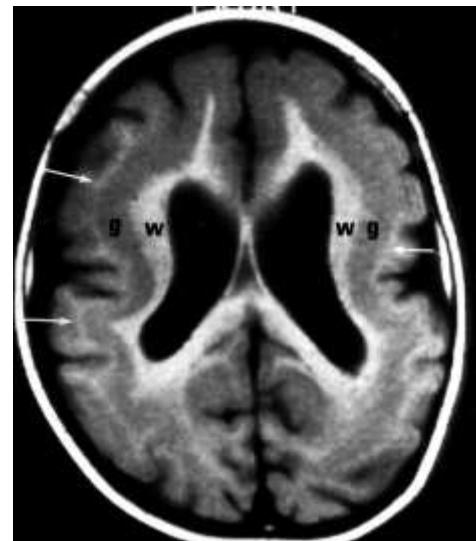
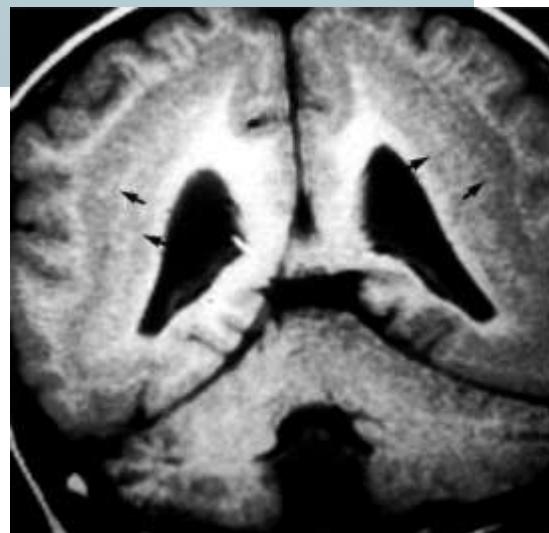




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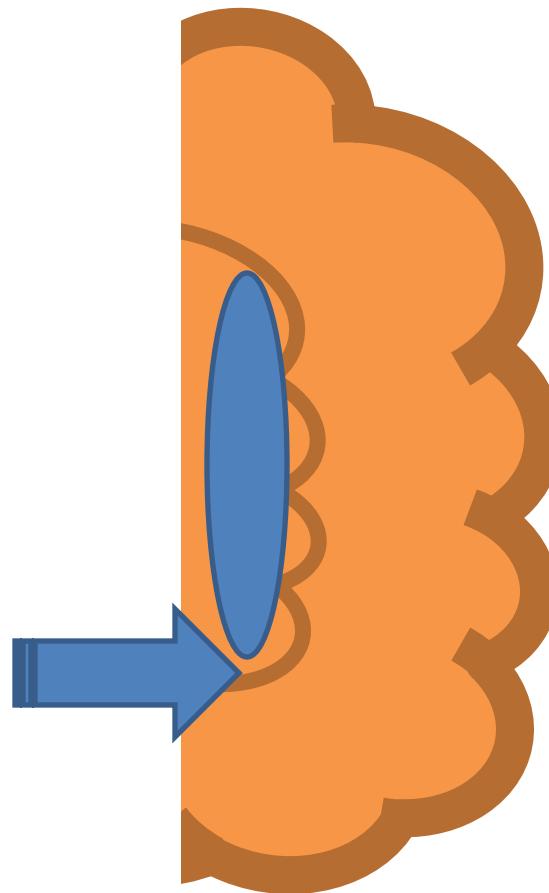
- Thickness of the heterotopic band
- High signal on T2 WIs
- Degree of ventriculomegaly



*If Band in lower in level
..... On ventricular wall*

→ i.e.

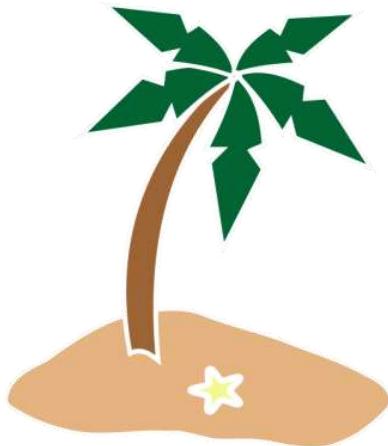
Subependymal





- *If Band was more lower*
- **Subependymal Heterotopia**

ISLANDS OF CORTEX



Cortical dysplasia

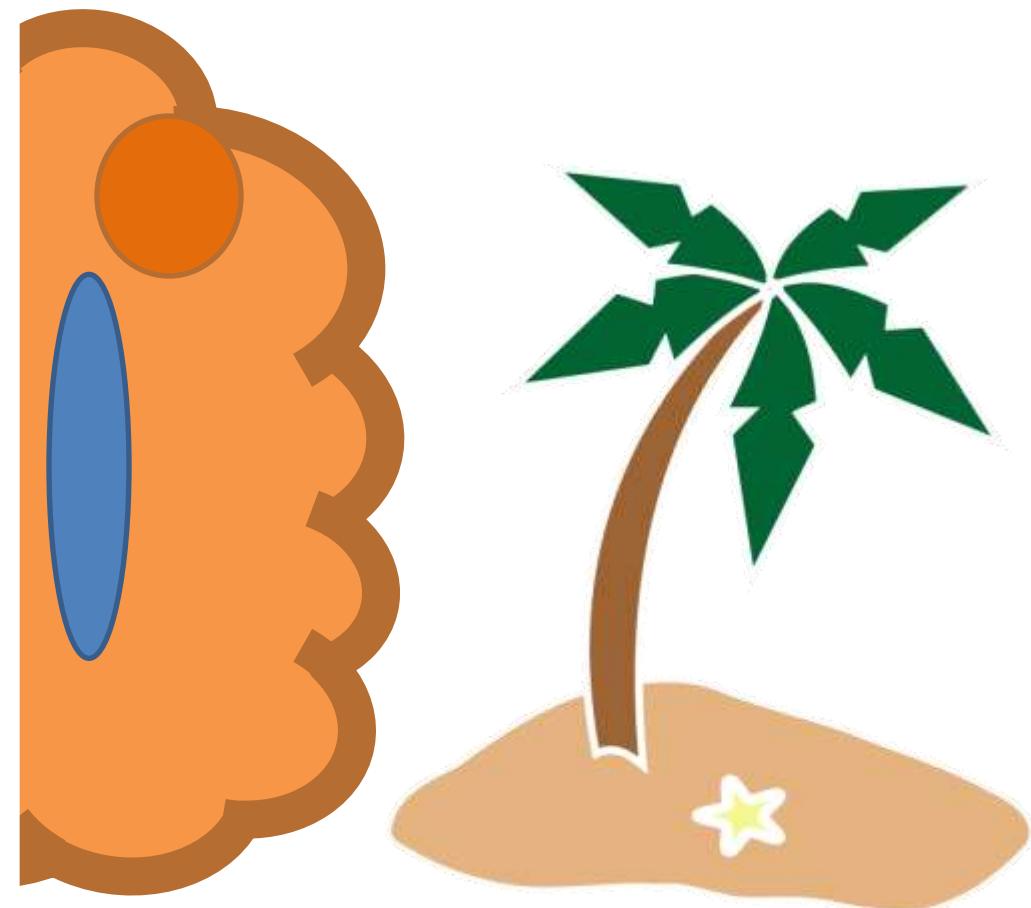


DNET



Actual neoplasm

ISLAND OF CORTEX



FOCAL CORTICAL DYSPLASIA

Cortical dysplasia

DNET

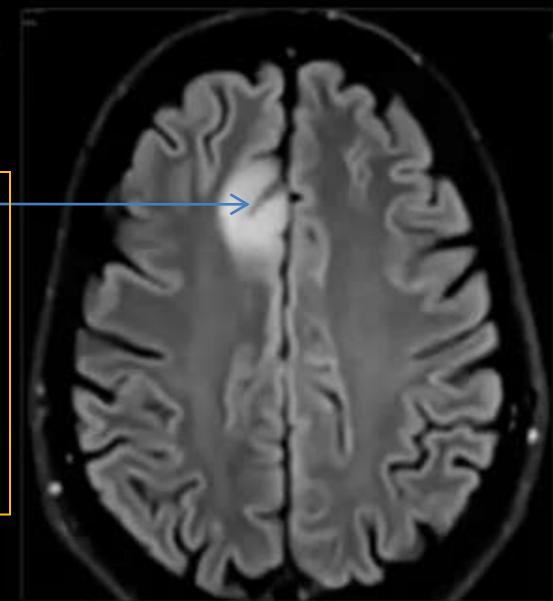
Actual neoplasm

Focal Cortical dysplasia

- ◆ Abnormal neurons arranged in focal areas in the cerebral cortex
- ◆ The incidence of FCD is **5- 15%** in patients with seizures.



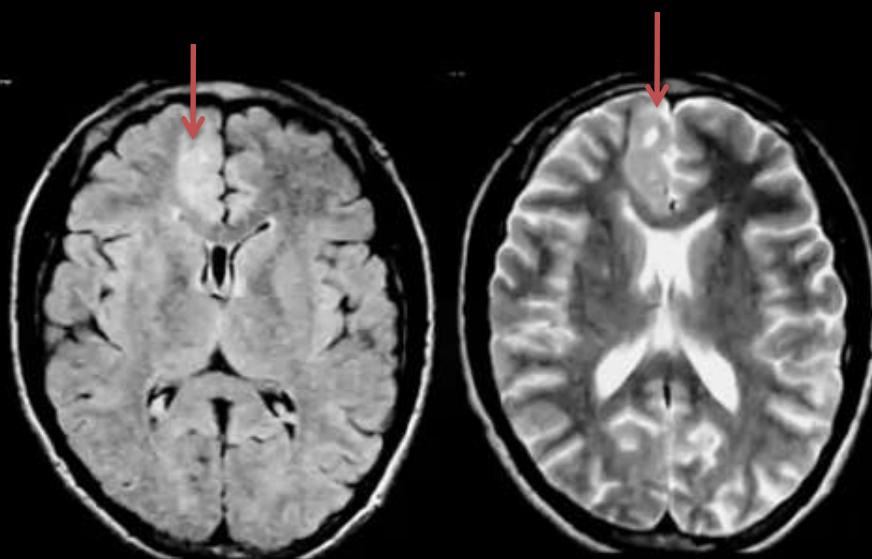
***Sulcus passed
with in lesion***
=Not Tumor
Not Infarction



Type I = architectural distortion of the cortex alone with no abnormal cells

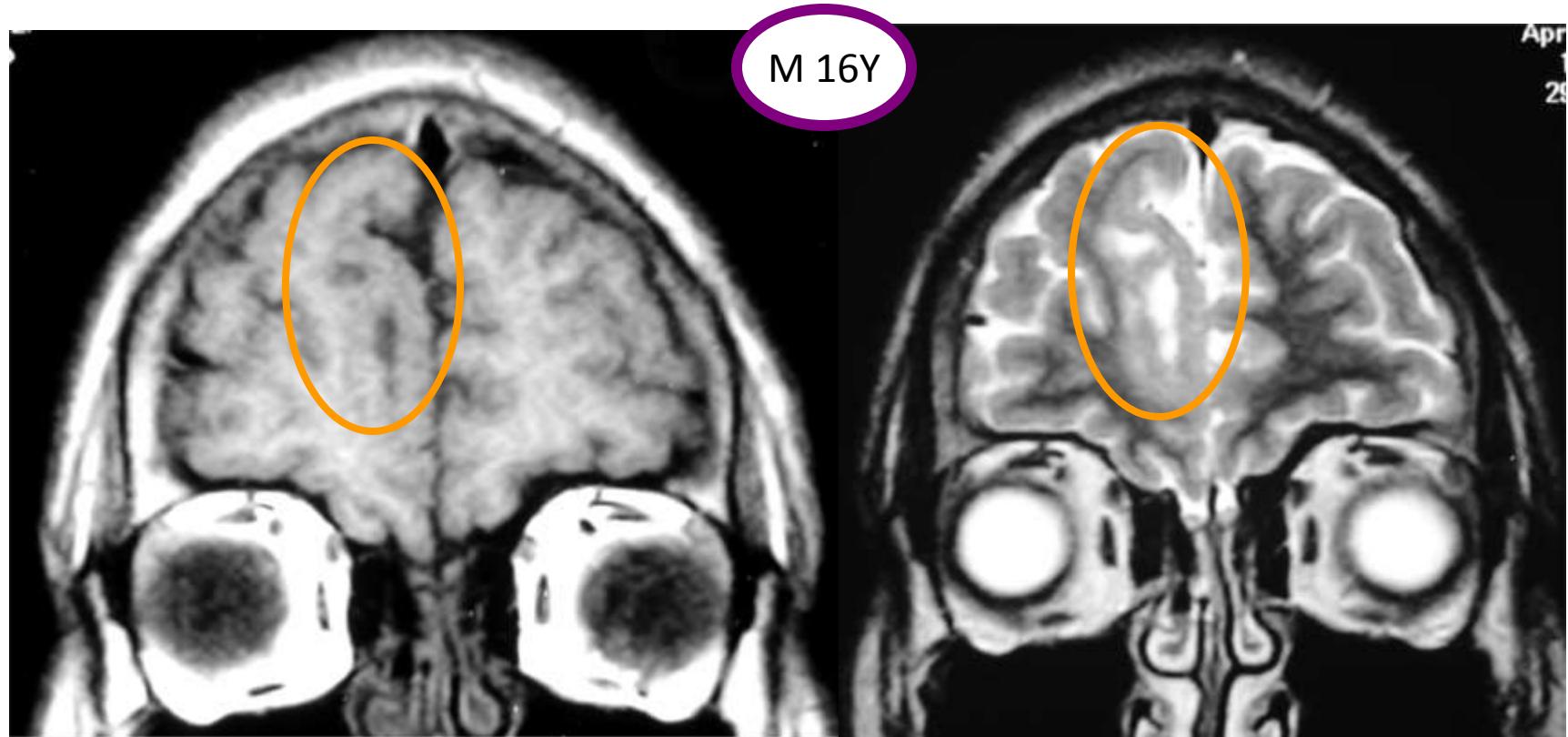
Type II = architectural distortion and dysmorphic neurons

Focal Cortical dysplasia **FCD**



MRI

- ◆ High T2 signal in the subcortical white matter
- ◆ Blurring of the gray/white matter junction
- ◆ Thickening of the affected cortex

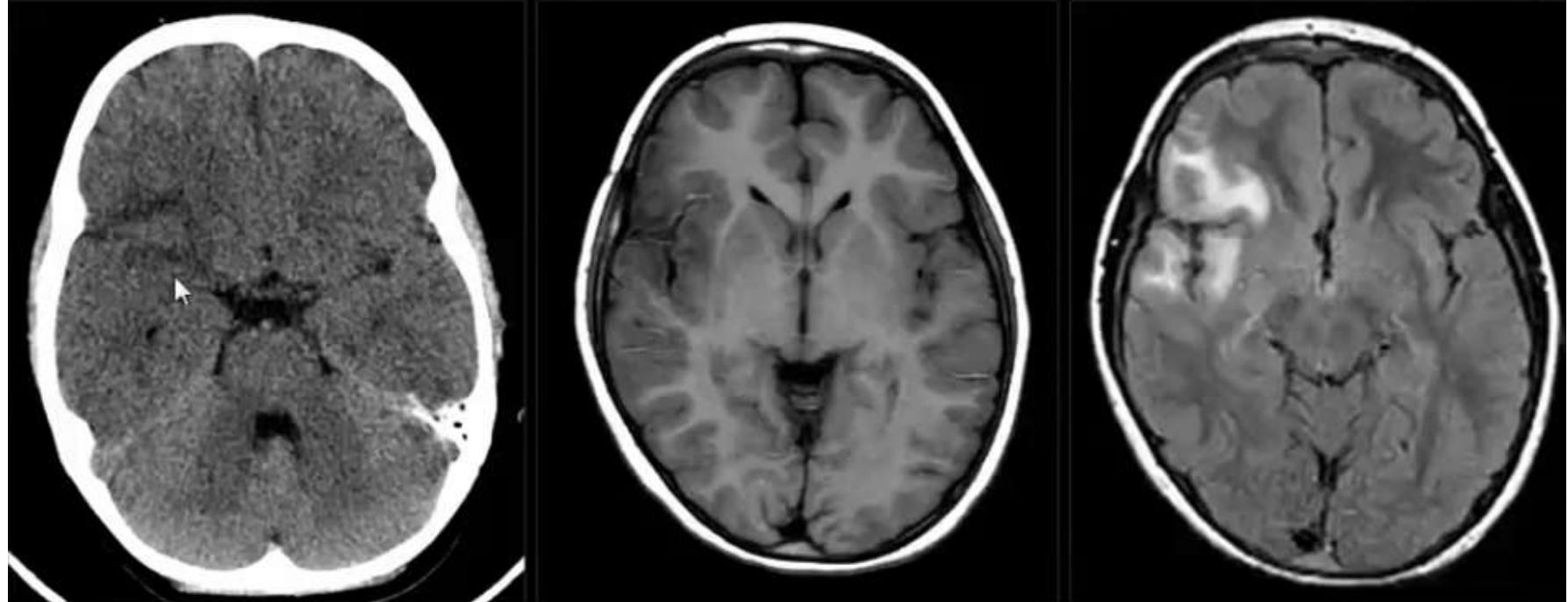


Focal Cortical dysplasia (FCD)

Focal Cortical Dysplasia

seizure

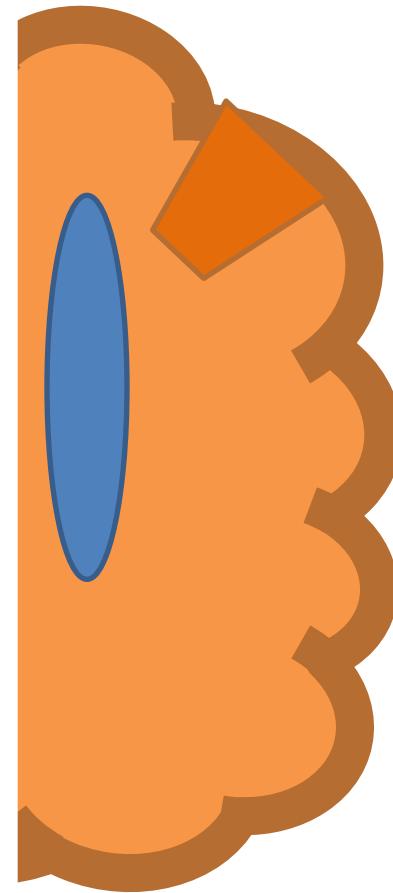
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Pathologically proven cortical dysplasia

ISLAND OF DISTORTED CORTEX

It is An intermediate state between Dysplasia's & Tumor



DYSEMBRYOBLASTIC EPITHELIAL TUMORS DNET

Cortical dysplasia

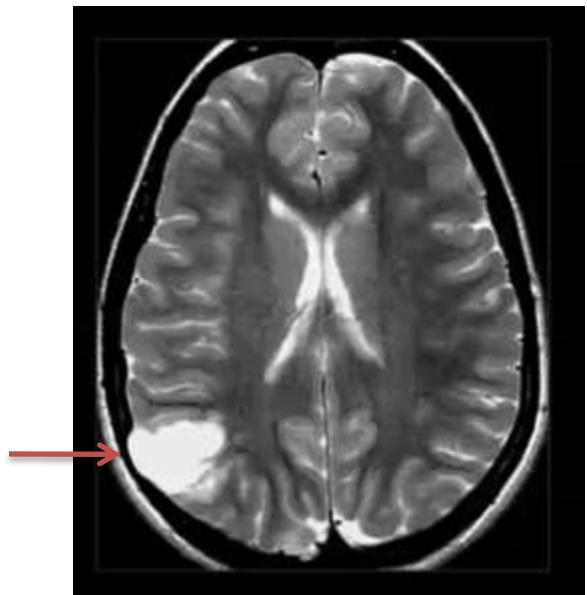
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Actual neoplasm

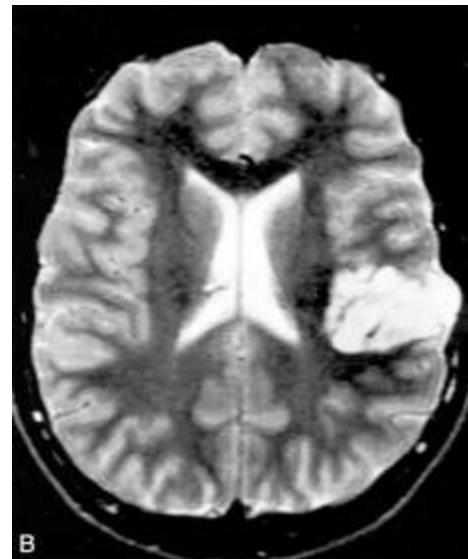
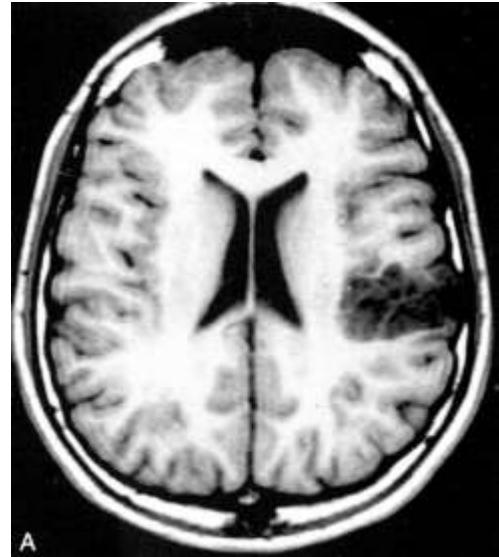
DYSEMBRYOBLASTIC EPITHELIAL TUMORS

DNET

- Benign
- Slow growing → Scalloping of inner skull bones
“Best sign to detect”.
- Cortical , wedge shape
“from cortex To ventricle”
- NO “ca, Edeme, Enh”
-



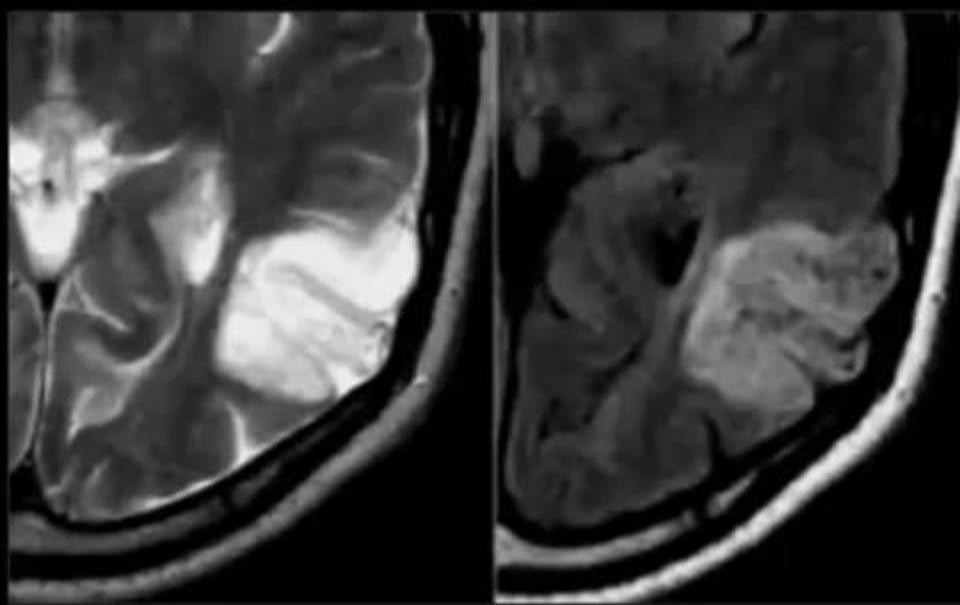
- ***MRI:***
 - *Multinodular cystic appearance*
 - *Low T1 High T2*
- ***Fate***
 - *No recurrence after removal*



Dysembryoblastic Epithelial Tumors

key findings

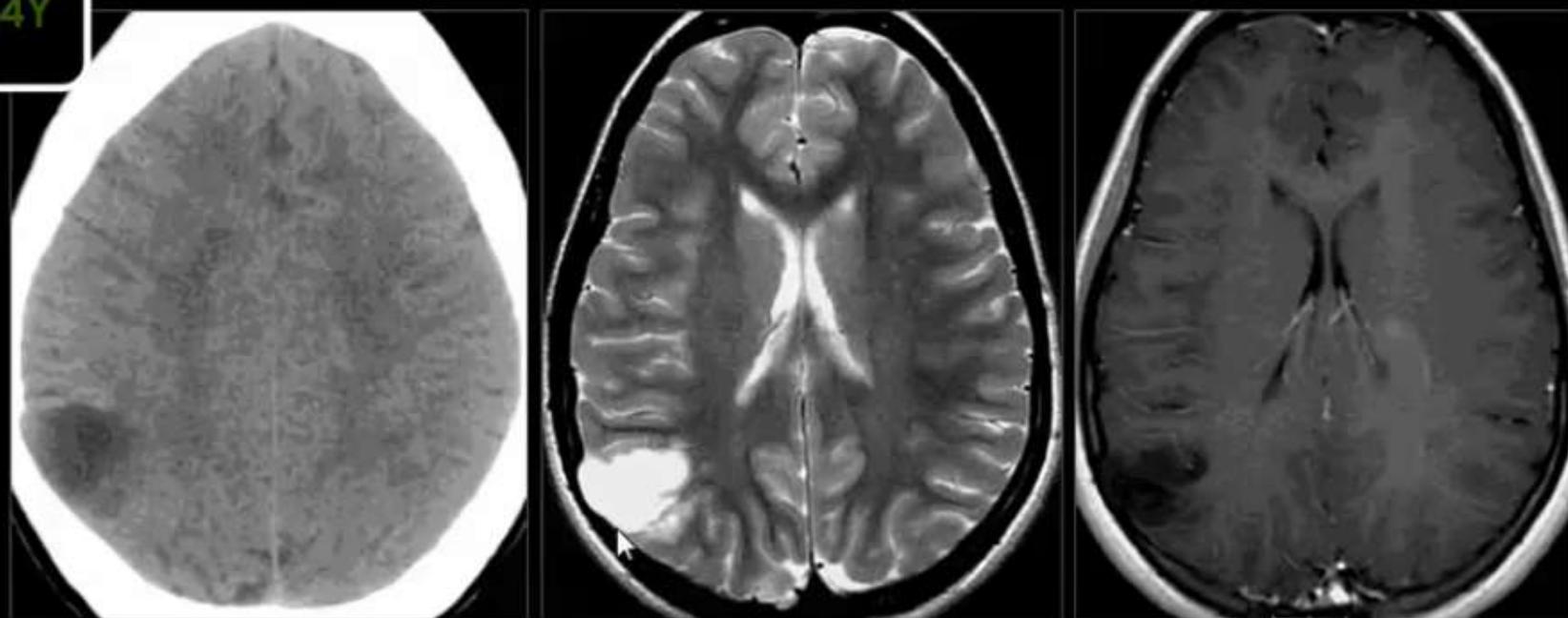
- ◆ Swollen gyrus
- ◆ Bubbly cystic appearance
- ◆ May be wedge shaped pointing to the ventricle
- ◆ Usually no or only little enhancement
- ◆ Associated with focal cortical dysplasia



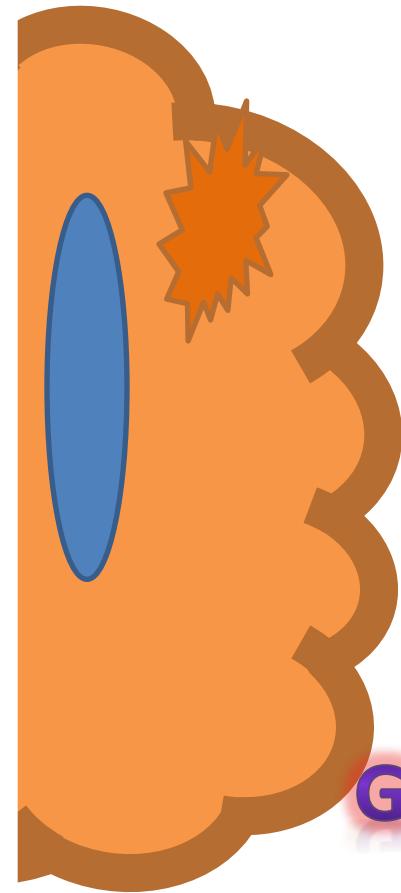
Dysembryoplastic neuroepithelial tumor

Seizure while sleeping

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ISLAND OF NEOPLASM OF CORTEX



GANGIOMA

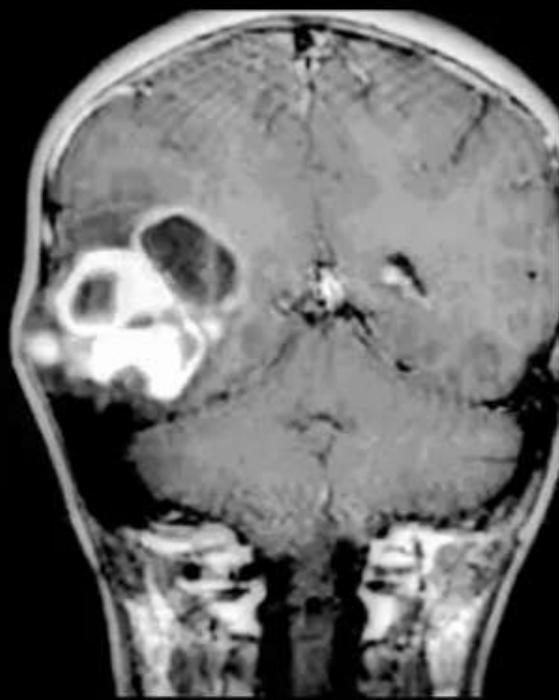
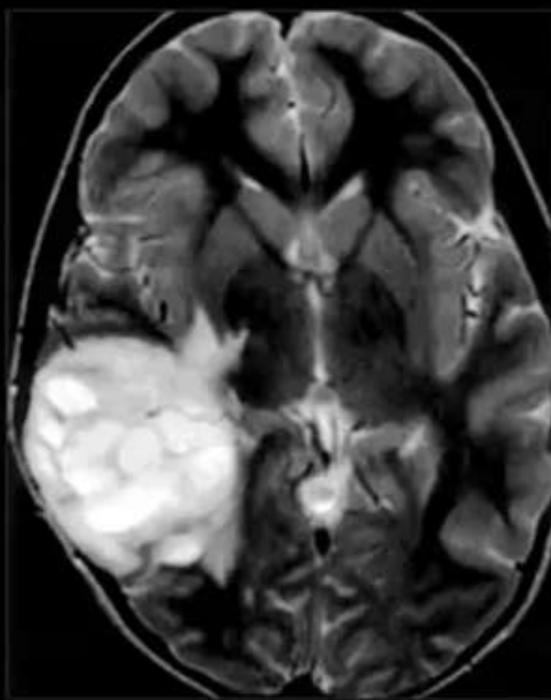
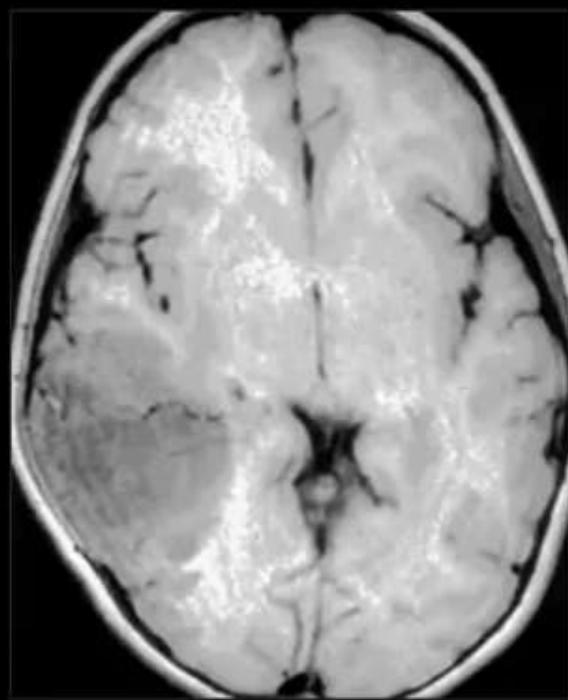
Cortical dysplasia

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Actual neoplasm

Ganglioglioma

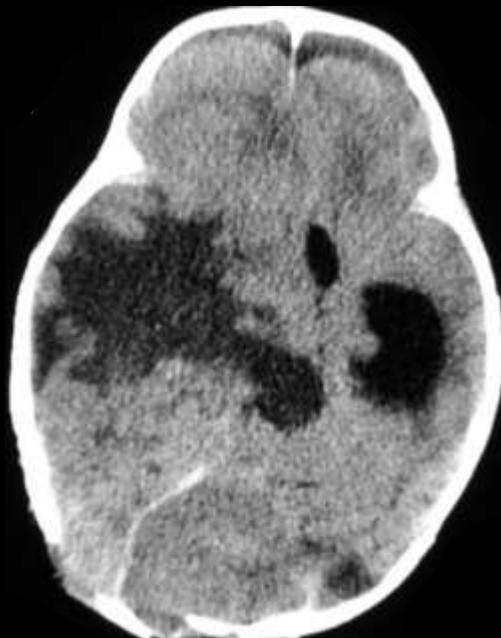
- ◆ Benign with calvarial remodeling
- ◆ A solid enhancing part is the rule in all cases
- ◆ Non specific MR findings



Is it turn wild ?

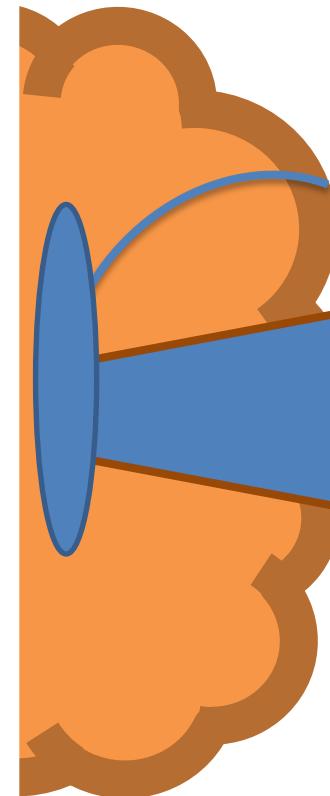


Anaplastic Ganglioglioma

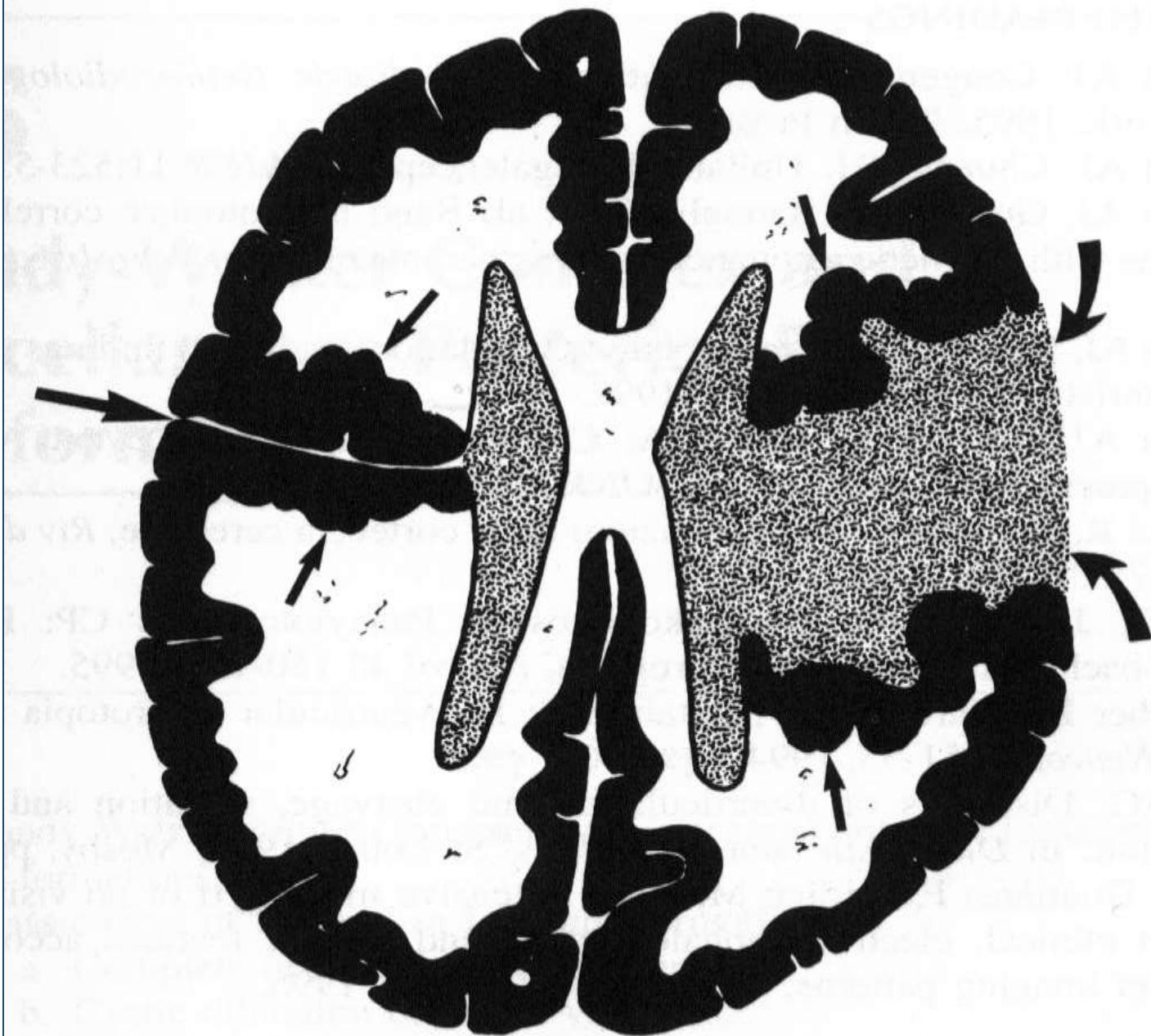


SPLIT THROUGH CORTEX

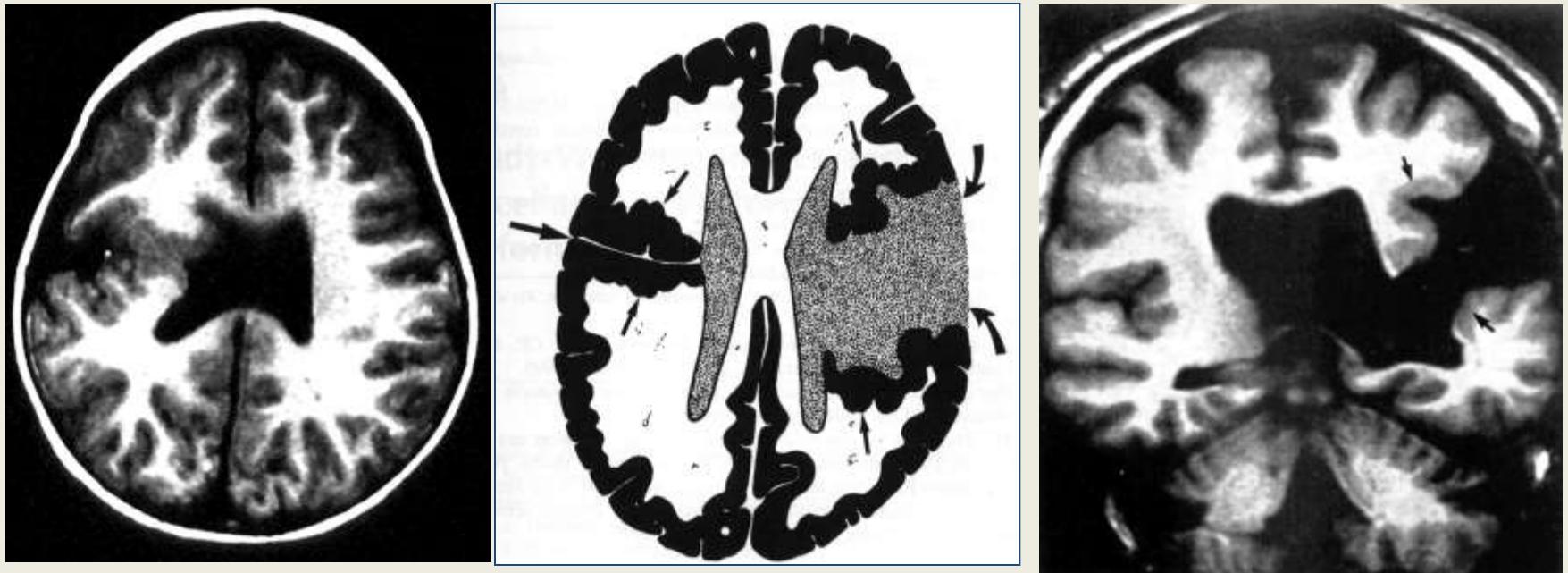
- Split = Schizen
- This Schizen ...may be
- Open Lip -Closed Lip



Notice it is
Lined by cortical tissue

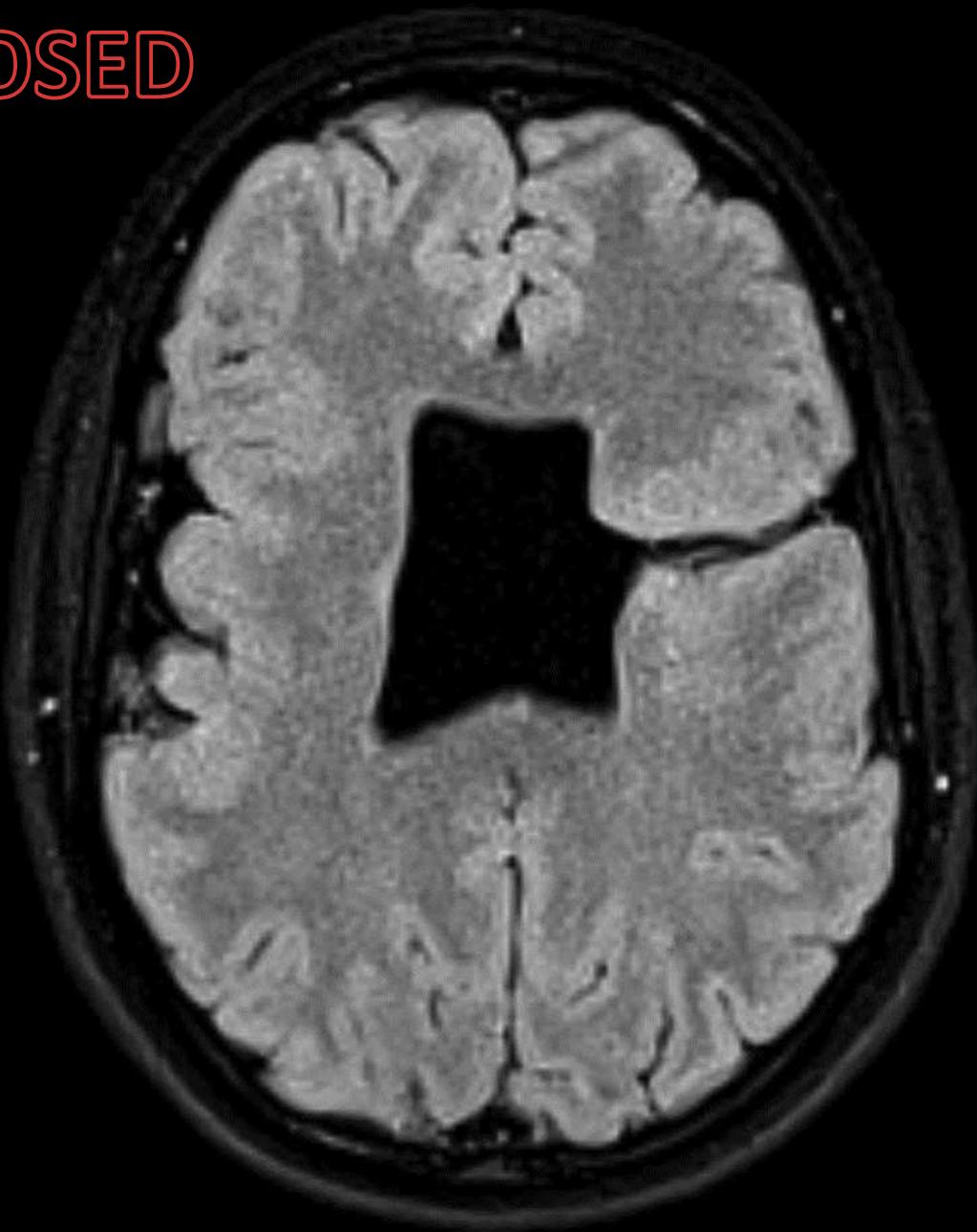


Schizencephaly



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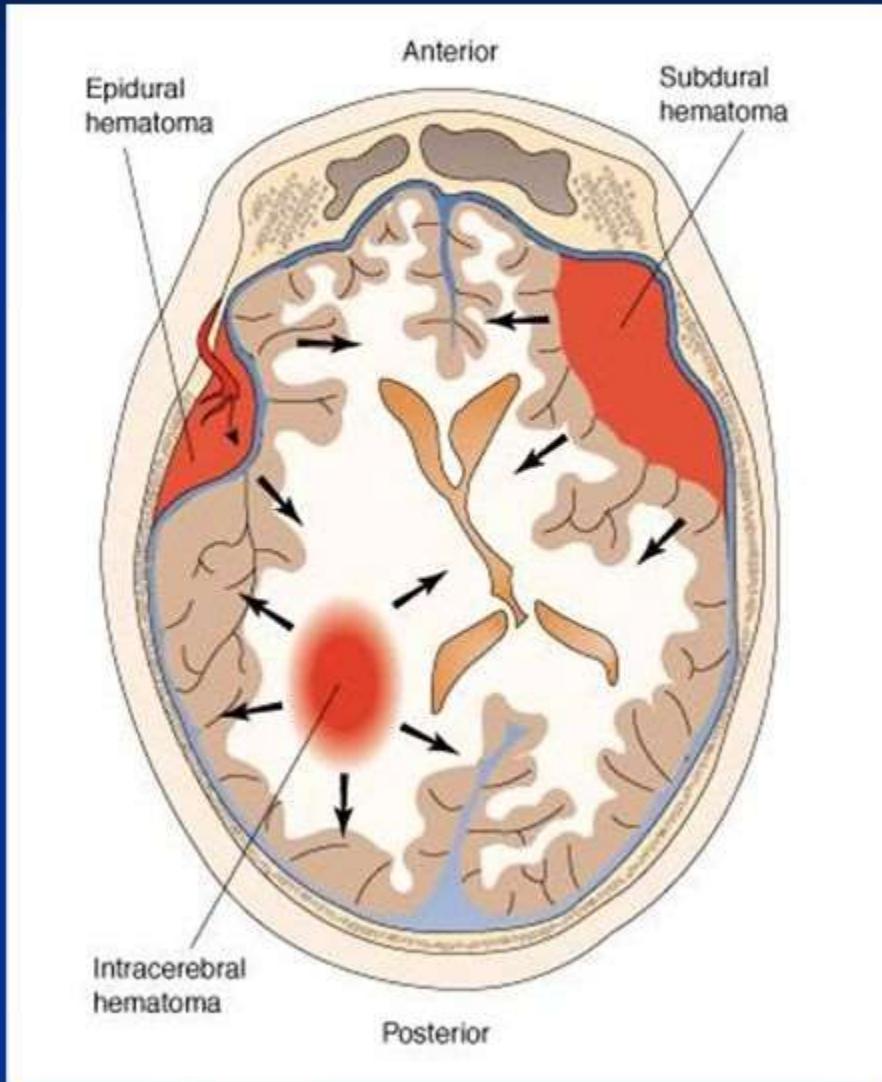
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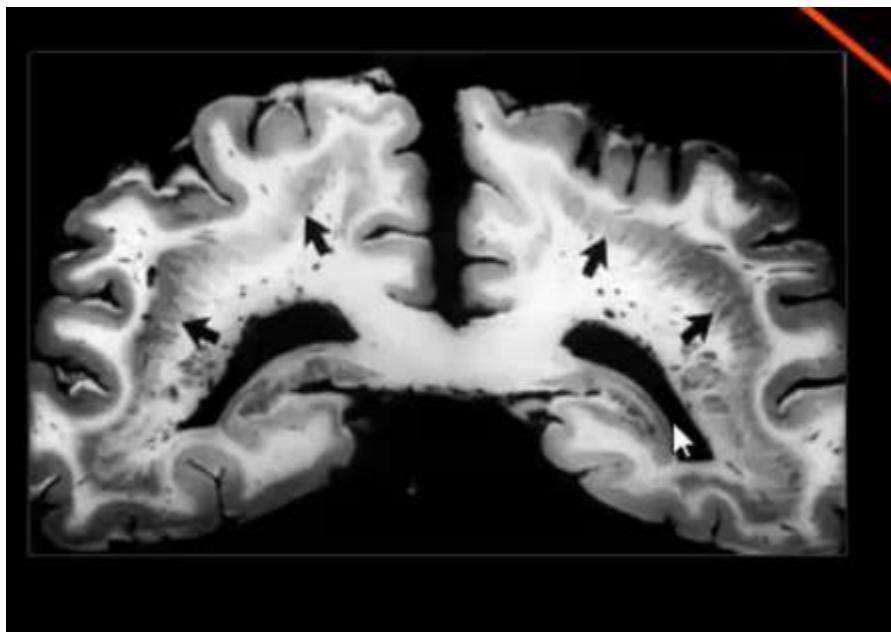


SUMMARY

Intracranial Bleeding

- Extradural
- Subdural
- Subarachnoid
- Intraventricular
- Intraparenchymal





Simply

Cortical Neurons are Migrating From Ventricular wall up to Cortex

If this migration arrested during any stage of its way , this will lead to :

- At Ventricular wall → *Sub ependymal heterotopia*
- in Its way between Ventricle & cortex → *Focal Heterotopia*
- Near Cortex → *Double cortex*

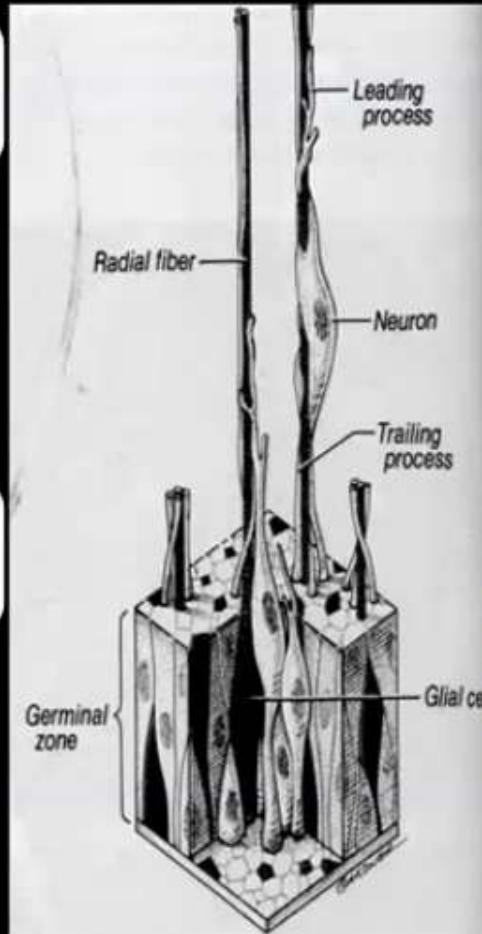
Disorders of Cortical Formation

Organization

- ◆ Polymicrogyria
- ◆ Schizencephaly

Proliferation

- ◆ Hemimegalencephaly
- ◆ Cortical dysplasia
- ◆ Tuberous sclerosis
- ◆ Ganglioglioma
- ◆ Dysembryoblastic NET



Migration

- ◆ Subependymal heterotopia
- ◆ Focal heterotopia
- ◆ Band heterotopia
- ◆ Lissencephaly

Disorders of Cortical Formation

Heterotopias

- ◆ Subependymal
- ◆ Focal
- ◆ Band

Other lesions

- ◆ Hemimegalencephaly
- ◆ Schizencephaly
- ◆ Cortical dysplasia

Gyral lesions

- ◆ Agyria [Lissencephaly]
- ◆ Pachygryria
- ◆ Polymicrogyra



ISLANDS OF CORTEX



Cortical dysplasia

DNET

Actual neoplasm

Schizen = Split



Sources & Further Reading

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