

Cerebellar pilocytic astrocytoma epidemiology

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Cerebellar [pilocytic astrocytomas](#) (CPA) account for approximately 30% of all [pediatric central nervous system tumors](#) and thus, constitute the second-largest [pediatric brain tumor](#) group after [medulloblastomas](#) (MB) ^{1) 2) 3)}.

One of the more common [pediatric brain tumors](#) ($\approx$ 15% of primary brain tumors in patients <19 years ⁴⁾ comprising 27–40% of [pediatric posterior fossa tumors](#) ^{5) 6)}.

They may also occur in adults, where the mean age is lower and the postoperative survival is longer than for fibrillary astrocytomas ⁷⁾.

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