

Nomura et al. reported a case of extracranial [common carotid artery pseudoaneurysm](#) (pseudo-ECAA) with a rare clinical course and pathological features. A 58-year-old man presented with swelling and purpura on the left side of his neck after sneezing. Radiological examinations suggested a ruptured left [common carotid artery aneurysm](#). The operative findings were consistent with a [pseudoaneurysm](#). Pathological examination revealed disarrangement and degeneration of [smooth muscle](#) fibers in the media, in addition to scattered foci of mucoid accumulation and irregular-shaped cavitation in the medial extracellular matrix, raising the possibility of an intrinsic dysfunction of the vascular wall in the pathological process of pseudoaneurysm formation ¹⁾.

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Nomura S, Yoneyama T, Kawashima A, Yamaguchi K, Ishikawa T, Okada Y, Shibata N, Kawamata T. A case of idiopathic extracranial carotid artery pseudoaneurysm with a rare clinical course and pathological features. *Neuropathology*. 2021 Feb 1. doi: 10.1111/neup.12719. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 33525054.

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