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Delayed recognition refer to the delayed identification or diagnosis of a medical condition or symptom.

A 70-year-old male with ischemic heart disease, diabetes mellitus, and hypertension who presented with worsening headaches for the past three days, associated with gait imbalance and dizziness. The patient was vitally stable on examination with a Glasgow Coma Scale/Score (GCS) of 15/15; his pupils were reactive bilaterally; and his neurological examination was unremarkable. Non-contrast computed tomography (CT) of the head yielded acute and Chronic Subdural Hematoma. The patient was initially managed by middle meningeal artery embolization, but one day later he developed a stroke. Hence, thrombectomy and burr hole craniotomy were performed to manage the stroke and evacuate the chronic subdural hematoma (CSDH). This paper presents this case as uncommon acute on chronic SDH presented with headache and vertigo, treated with embolization and with complications of stroke and pulmonary embolism ¹⁾.

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