

Glioma

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A glioma is a type of tumor that arises from [glial](#) cells, which are supportive cells of the central nervous system (CNS). Glial cells include [astrocytes](#), [oligodendrocytes](#), and ependymal cells, and they play a crucial role in supporting and protecting nerve cells in the brain and spinal cord.

Gliomas are categorized by the [World Health Organization](#) (WHO) into distinct tumor subtypes and tumor grades according to a combination of histologic and molecular features ¹⁾.

Studies on [gliomas](#) suggested that the microenvironment of human gliomas contains both [glioma stem cells](#) (GSCs) and glioma associated (GA)-[mesenchymal stem cells](#) (MSCs; (GA-MSCs). Also, studies have suggested that nano- sized vesicles, termed [exosomes](#), have been recently observed to contribute towards intercellular communication within the tumor niche ²⁾.

Epidemiology

Glioma is the most frequent primary cerebral tumor in adults, with an incidence of 4-5/100 000 individuals. Gliomas are the second leading cause of cancer mortality in adults under the age of 35, the fourth leading cause in those under the age of 54, and result in death in approximately 13 770 individuals per year in the United States.

Approximately 89,000 new [primary brain tumors](#) are diagnosed in the [United States](#) each year, for which 27% are [gliomas](#) and 32.8% are [malignant gliomas](#) ³⁾.

The are more frequent among males ⁴⁾.

Classification

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Biomarker

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Pathogenesis

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Spread

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Recurrence

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Clinical Features

Many gliomas become symptomatic with either [seizures](#) or [focal neurological deficits](#) and are subsequently detected via MRI.

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[Maternal migraine](#) was positively associated with risk for non-Hodgkin lymphoma (odds ratio [OR] = 1.70, 95% confidence interval [CI]: 1.01-2.86), central nervous system tumors ([OR = 1.31, 95% CI: 1.02-1.68], particularly [glioma](#) [OR = 1.64, 95% CI: 1.12-2.40]), neuroblastoma (OR = 1.75, 95% CI: 1.00-3.08), and osteosarcoma (OR = 2.60, 95% CI: 1.18-5.76).

Associations with maternal [migraine](#) were observed for several childhood [cancers](#), including [neuronal tumors](#). The findings raise [questions](#) about the role of lifestyle factors, sex hormones, genetic, and neurochemical factors in the relationship between migraine and childhood cancers ⁵⁾

Diagnosis

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Guidelines

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Treatment

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Outcome

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Retrospective observational studies

Lin et al. retrospectively analyzed routine MR and IVIM-DWI data from 85 patients with pathologically confirmed brain gliomas from January 2017 to May 2023. The data were divided into a [training set](#) (N=61) and a test set (N=24) in a 7:3 ratio. Regions of interest (ROIs) of brain gliomas, including the solid tumor region (rCET), edema region (rE), and necrotic region (rNec), were delineated using 3D-Slicer software and projected onto the D, D*, and f sequences. A total of 1037 features were extracted from each ROI, resulting in 3111 features per patient. Age was incorporated in the calculation of the Radscore, and a clinical-imaging genomics combined model was constructed, from which a nomogram graph was generated. Separate models were built for the D, D*, and f parameters. The AUC value of the D parameter model was 0.97 (95% CI: 0.93-1.00) in the training set and 0.91 (95% CI: 0.79-1.00) in the validation set, which was significantly higher than that of the D* parameter model (0.90, 0.82) and the f parameter model (0.89, 0.91). The imaging genomics nomogram based on IVIM-DWI can effectively predict the ATRX gene status of patients with brain gliomas, with the D parameter showing the highest efficacy ⁶⁾.

Case series

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