

# Lateral condylar vein

The lateral condylar vein may be encountered in exposing the [jugular bulb](#), hypoglossal canal, or foramen magnum. This vein has been reported to be a main draining route of dural arteriovenous fistulas, in which case it can be utilized as a transvenous route for endovascular treatment, or obliterated. An understanding of the anatomy of this vein may prove useful in planning skull base and endovascular procedures <sup>1)</sup>.

<sup>1)</sup>

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