

Multicentric glioma

Some of the following terms are inconsistently used interchangeably: “[multicentric glioma](#),” “[multifocal glioma](#),” and “[multiple glioma](#)”.

Multicentric [gliomas](#) are considered to be well recognized but uncommon; often scatter widely in different lobes or hemispheres; and cannot be attributed to a definite pathway ¹⁾.

[Multifocal gliomas](#) are the result of dissemination of glioma cells from a primary focus to other parenchymal areas via the cerebrospinal fluid (CSF), [meninges](#) or [white matter tracts](#).

According to the classification of Budka, multifocal gliomas are further grouped into 4 categories: diffuse, multiple, multicentric, and multiple-organ. MCGs can also be separated by time of occurrence.

see [Multicentric glioblastoma](#).

see [Multifocal glioma](#).

¹⁾

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