

Pineal region tumor epidemiology

- Adult pineoblastoma: A prospective study and twelve-year experience from three tertiary care cancer institutes of India depicting the effect of various independent parameters and therapeutic strategy on progression and survival in this extremely rare malignancy
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- The microsurgical infratentorial supracerebellar approach for lesions of the pineal gland: feasibility, morbidity, and functional outcomes from a single-center experience
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- Simultaneous Single-Trajectory Endoscopic Biopsy and Third Ventriculostomy in Pineal Region Tumors: A Systematic Review and Single Arm Meta-Analysis

Pineal region tumors (PRTs), which are rare tumors, account for approximately 0.4-1.0% of intracranial tumors.

Pineal parenchymal tumors (PPTs) are even rarer, and approximately 30% of PPTs occur in neoplasms of the pineal region ¹⁾.

Over the age of 40 is more likely to be a meningioma or a glioma.

Tumors in this region are more common in children (3-8% of pediatric brain tumors) than in adults ($\leq 1\%$). ²⁾

Over 17 tumor types occur in this region ³⁾.

Pineal germinoma is the most common tumor (21- 44% in American/European population, 43-70% in Japan), followed by pineal astrocytoma, pineal teratoma and pineoblastoma ⁴⁾.

Many tumors are of mixed cell type.

Germ cell tumors (GCT), ependymomas and pineal cell tumors metastasize easily through the CSF ("drop metastases").

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