

Spinal cord cavernoma clinical features

Unlike their intracranial counterpart, [spinal cord cavernomas](#) are more likely to give rise to significant neurological findings and are associated with mass effect, [myelopathy](#), hemorrhage and significant morbidity ^{1) 2) 3) 4)}.

The clinical presentation varies depending on site, with the thoracic (58%) and cervical (38%) spinal cord being the most frequent locations ^{5) 6)}.

Most patients present with progressive neurological decline, with sensory deficits and motor weakness being the most common presenting symptoms ^{7) 8)}.

The mean incidence of symptomatic presentation and diagnosis is usually in the 3rd to 4th decade of life and the clinical presentation includes two primary patterns: slow-progressive and acute neurological decline, with the former being more common ^{9)10) 11) 12)}.

Although rare, spinal CM can present with bleed in very young children. It is imperative to identify the subtle clinico-radiological findings and suspect such lesions, as an early treatment portends a good outcome ¹³⁾.

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