Superior sagittal sinus thrombosis

Superior sagittal sinus thrombosis is the most common type of dural venous sinus thrombosis and is potentially devastating.

Risk factors

Pregnancy, dehydration, hypercoaguable states, pancreatitis.

Clinical presentation

As with all cerebral venous thrombosis, the presentation is highly variable, ranging from completely asymptomatic to a rapid fulminant course with cerebral haemorrhage and death. Presentation includes:

headache: 53%, most common.

seizures: 48%

hemi-, quadri-, or paraplegia: 48%

visual disturbances: 25%

nuchal rigidity: 18%

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