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Anatomy of Cranium, Dura Mater, Brain Surface, and Surgical Techniques

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1 Anatomy of Cranium

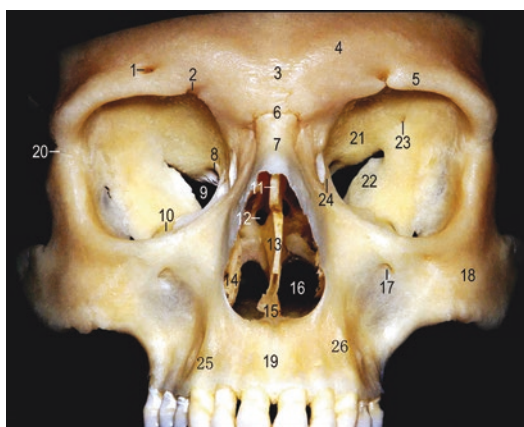


Fig. 1 Anterior view of cranium. (1) Supraorbital foramen, (2) Supraorbital notch, (3) Glabella, (4) Superciliary arch, (5) Supraorbital margin, (6) Frontonasal suture, (7) Nasion, (8) Optic foramen, (9) Superior orbital fissure, (10) Inferior orbital fissure, (11) Perpendicular plate of ethmoid bone, (12) Aperture of sphenoid sinus, (13) Vomer, (14) Inferior nasal concha, (15) Anterior nasal spine, (16) Nasal cavity, (17) Infraorbital foramen, (18) Zygomatic bone, (19) Maxilla, (20) Frontozygomatic suture, (21) Lesser wing of sphenoid bone, (22) Greater wing of sphenoid bone, (23) Lacrimal foramen (Hyrtl foramen), (24) Lacrimal groove, (25) Alveolar process, (26) Maxillary process

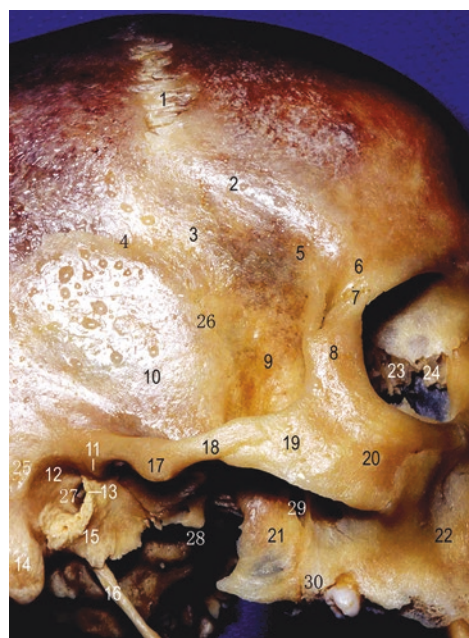


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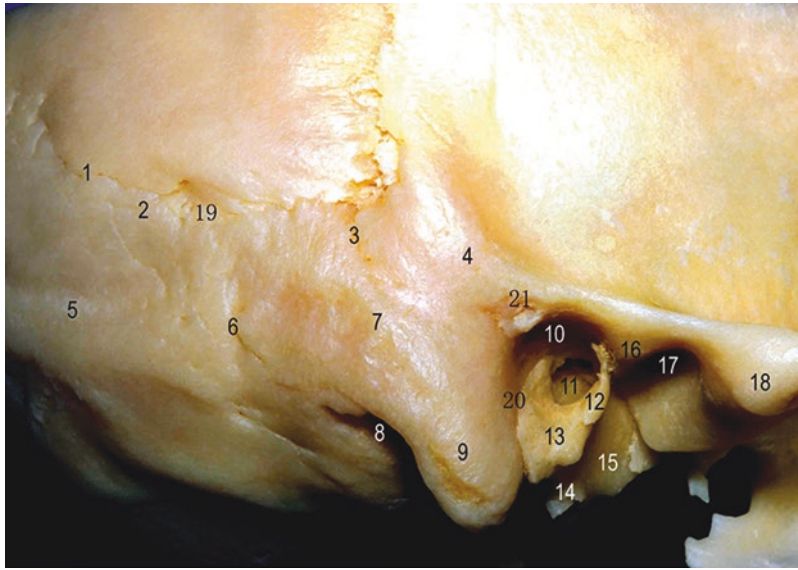


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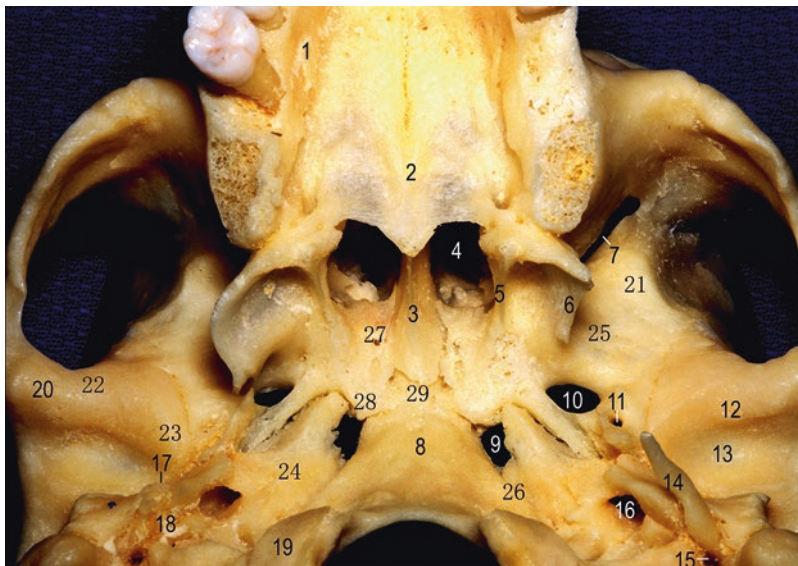


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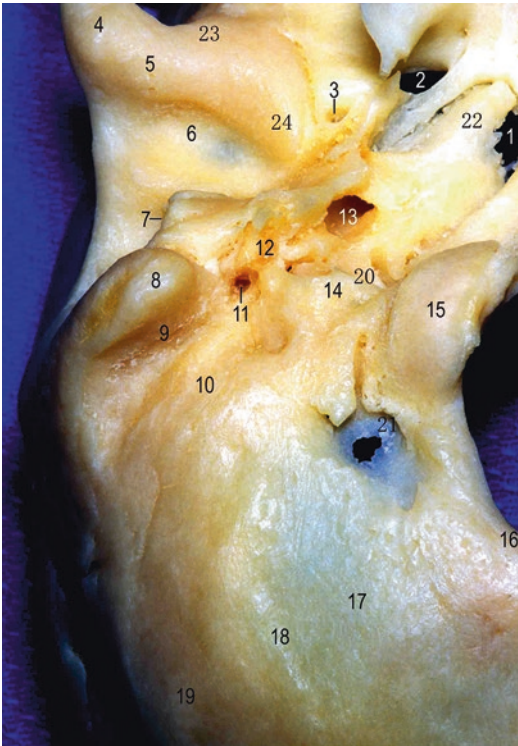


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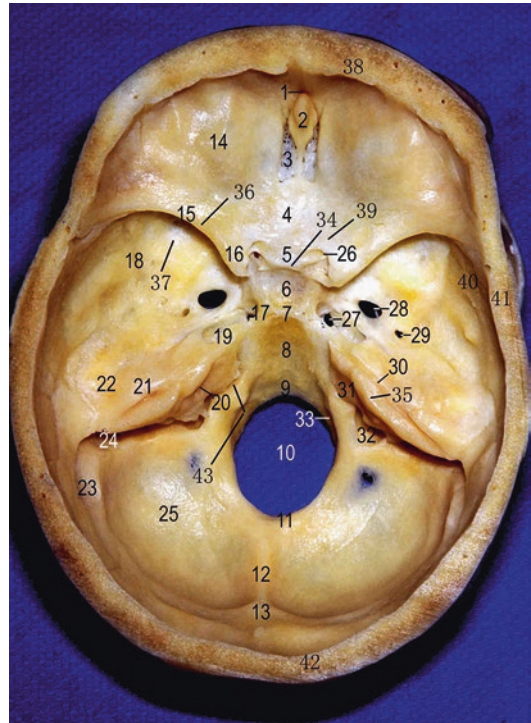


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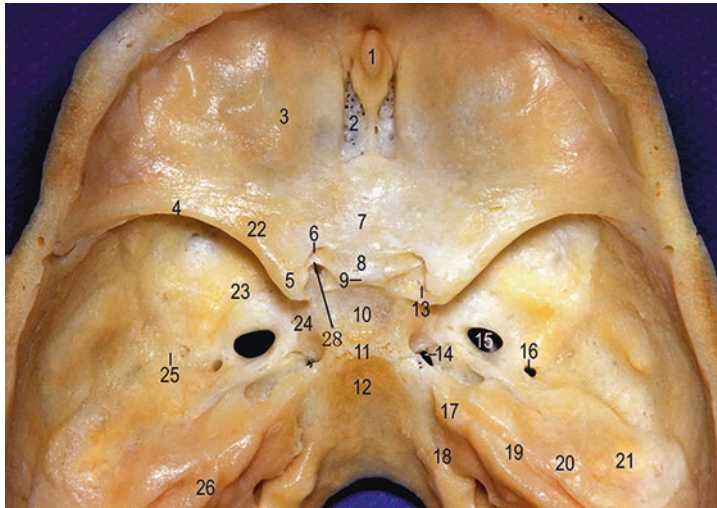
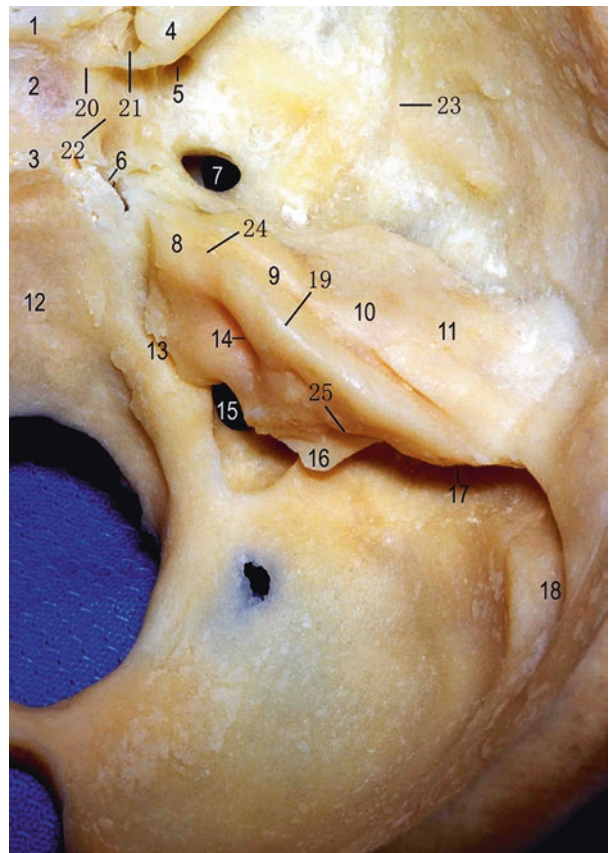


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Foramen ovale, (16) Foramen spinosum, (17) Petrous apex, (18) Inferior petrosal sulcus, (19) Superior petrosal sulcus, (20) Arcuate eminence, (21) Tegmen tympani, (22) Lesser wing of sphenoid bone, (23) Greater wing of sphenoid bone, (24) Carotid sulcus, (25) Groove for middle meningeal artery, (26) Petrous ridge, (27) NA, (28) Optic strut

Fig. 8 Internal view of middle and posterior cranial fossae. (1) Tuberculum sellae, (2) Pituitary fossa, (3) Dorsum sellae, (4) Anterior clinoid process, (5) Foramen rotundum, (6) Internal opening of carotid canal, (7) Foramen ovale, (8) Petrous apex, (9) Superior petrosal sulcus, (10) Arcuate eminence, (11) Tegmen tympani, (12) Dorsum sellae, (13) Inferior petrosal sulcus, (14) Internal acoustic meatus, (15) Jugular foramen, (16) Posterior jugular ridge, (17) Sigmoid sulcus, (18) Transverse sulcus, (19) Petrous ridge, (20) Middle clinoid process, (21) Caroticoclinoid foramen, (22) Carotid sulcus, (23) Groove for middle meningeal artery, (24) Trigeminal impression, (25) Endolymphatic depression



2 Anatomy of Dura Mater

Fig. 9 Lateral view of cranial dura mater. (1) Frontal branch of middle meningeal artery, (2) Parietooccipital branch of middle meningeal artery, (3) Transverse sinus, (4) Posterior meningeal artery, (5) Parietal branch of middle meningeal artery

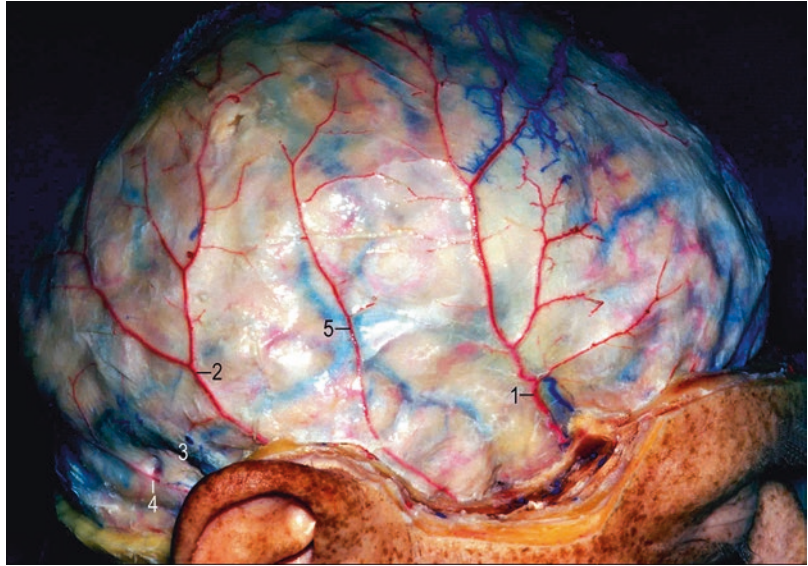


Fig. 10 Superior view of convexity dura mater. (1) Frontal sinus, (2) Superior sagittal sinus, (3) Lateral lacunae, (4) Middle meningeal veins, (5) Posterior parietal meningeal vein, (6) Middle meningeal artery



3 Anatomy of Brain Surface

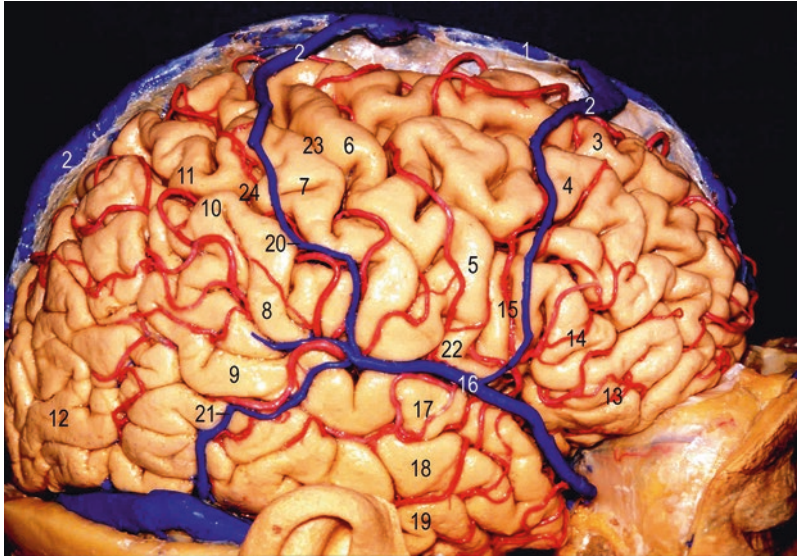


Fig. 11 Overview of lateral surface of the brain. (1) Superior sagittal sinus, (2) Superior cerebral veins, (3) Superior frontal gyrus, (4) Middle frontal gyrus, (5) Inferior frontal gyrus, (6) Precentral gyrus, (7) Postcentral gyrus, (8) Supramarginal gyrus, (9) Angular gyrus, (10) Inferior parietal lobule, (11) Superior parietal lobule, (12) Occipital lobe, (13) Pars Orbitalis, (14) Pars Triangularis, (15) Anterior part of Pars opercularis, (16) Sylvian vein (superficial middle cerebral vein), (17) Superior temporal gyrus, (18) Middle temporal gyrus, (19) Inferior temporal gyrus, (20) Superior anastomotic vein (vein of Troland), (21) Inferior anastomotic vein (vein of Labbe), (22) Posterior part of Pars opercularis, (23) Central sulcus, (24) Postcentral sulcus

Fig. 12 Anterior view of lateral surface of the brain. (1) Frontal pole, (2) Temporal pole, (3) Sylvian fissure, (4) Longitudinal fissure, (5) Superior frontal gyrus, (6) Middle frontal gyrus, (7) Inferior frontal gyrus





Fig. 13 Superior view of the lateral surface of the brain. (1) Central sulcus, (2) Precentral gyrus, (3) Paracentral lobule, (4) Superior frontal sulcus, (5) Pars triangularis, (6) Inferior frontal gyrus, (7) Frontal pole, (8) Occipital pole, (9) Longitudinal fissure, (10) Pars opercularis

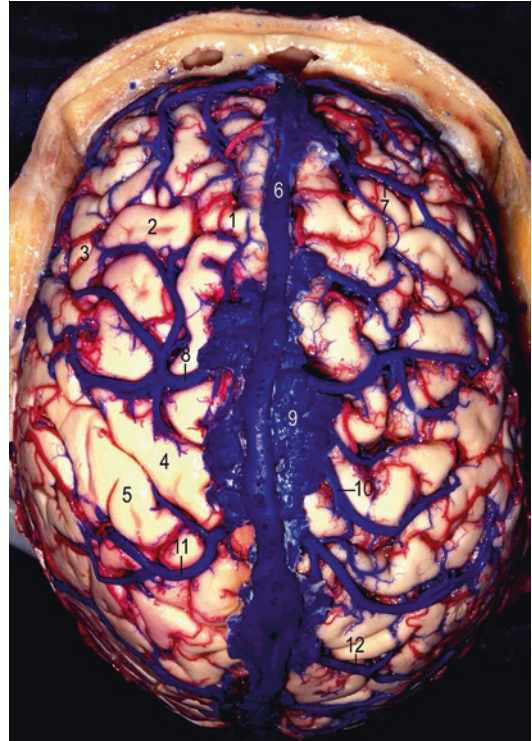


Fig. 14 Superior sagittal sinus and its tributaries. (1) Superior frontal gyrus, (2) Middle frontal gyrus, (3) Inferior frontal gyrus, (4) Precentral gyrus, (5) Postcentral gyrus, (6) Frontal part of superior sagittal sinus, (7) Middle frontal vein, (8) Posterior frontal vein, (9) Venous Lacunae, (10) Central vein, (11) Postcentral vein, (12) Anterior parietal vein

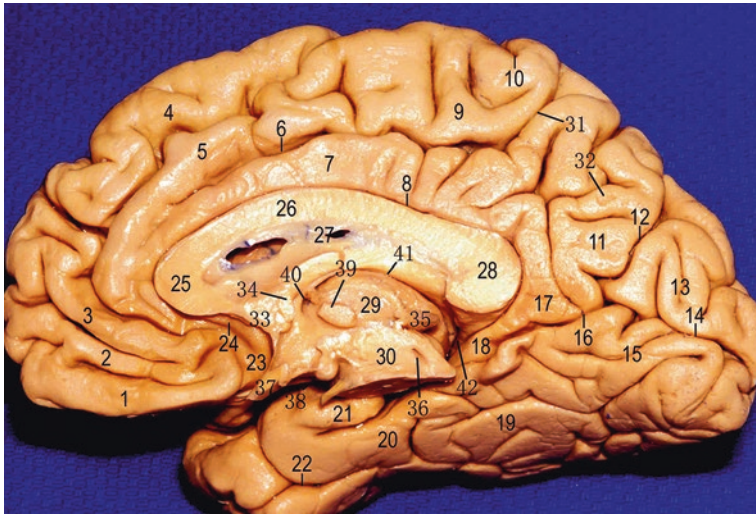


Fig. 15 Overview of medial surface of the brain. (1) Gyrus rectus, (2) Inferior rostral gyrus, (3) Superior rostral gyrus, (4) Medial superior frontal gyrus, (5) Paracingulate gyrus, (6) Cingulate sulcus, (7) Cingulate gyrus, (8) Callosal sulcus, (9) Paracentral lobule, (10) Central sulcus, (11) Precuneus, (12) Parieto-occipital sulcus, (13) Cuneus, (14) Calcarine sulcus, (15) Lingual gyrus, (16) Anterior calcarine sulcus, (17) Posterior cingulate gyrus, (18) Isthmus, (19) Fusiform gyrus, (20) Parahippocampal gyrus, (21) Uncus, (22) Rhinal sulcus, (23) Paraterminal gyrus, (24) Cingulate pole, (25) Genu of corpus callosum, (26) Body of corpus callosum, (27) Septum pellucidum, (28) Splenium of corpus callosum, (29) Thalamus, (30) Mesencephalon, (31) Ascending ramus of cingulate sulcus, (32) Precuneus, (33) Anterior commissure, (34) Column of fornix, (35) Pineal body, (36) Cerebral aqueduct, (37) Optic chiasm, (38) Apex, (39) Massa intermedia, (40) Foramen of Monro, (41) Choroid fissure, (42) Fasciolar gyrus

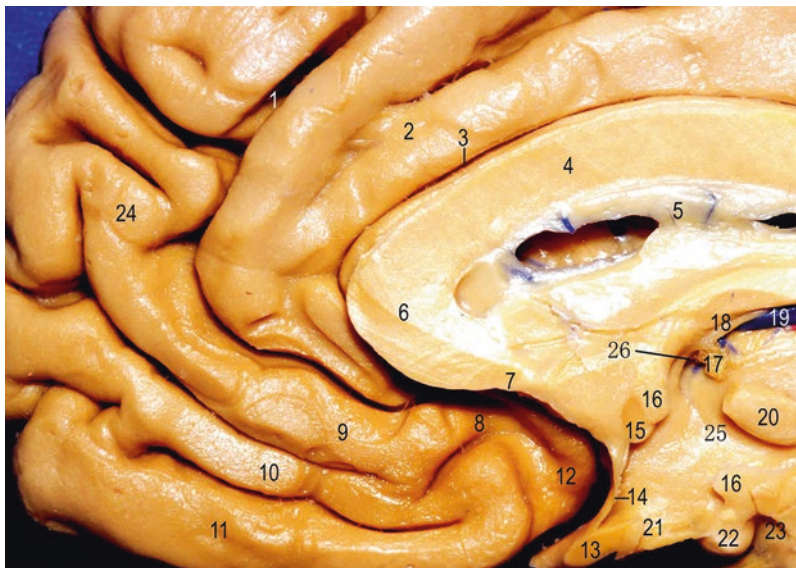
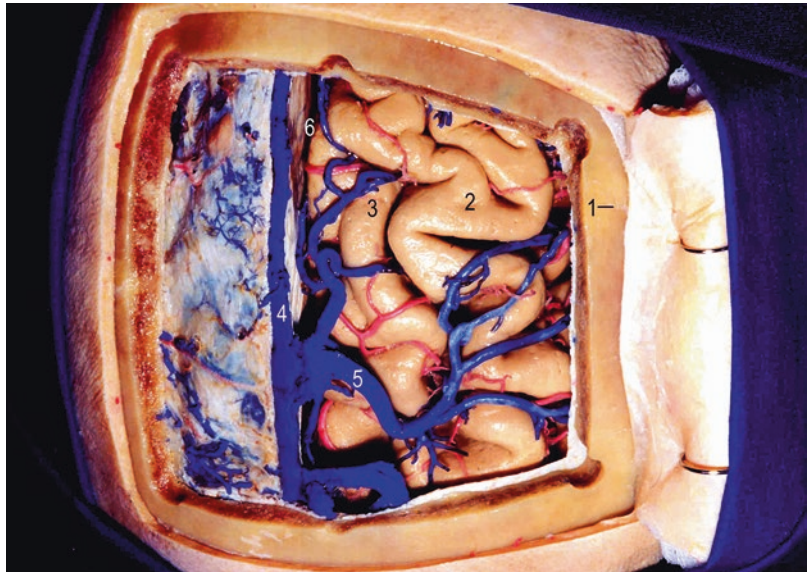


Fig. 16 Sagittal view of anterior medial frontal region. (1) Cingulate sulcus, (2) Cingulate gyrus, (3) Callosal sulcus, (4) Body of corpus callosum, (5) Septum pellucidum, (6) Genu of corpus callosum, (7) Rostrum of corpus callosum, (8) Cingulate Pole, (9) Superior rostral gyrus, (10) Inferior rostral gyrus, (11) Rectus gyrus, (12) Postolfactory sulcus, (13) Optic chiasm, (14) Lamina terminalis, (15) Anterior commissure, (16) Column of fornix, (17) Choroid plexus, (18) Body of fornix, (19) Internal cerebral vein, (20) Massa intermedia, (21) Infundibular recess, (22) Mamillary body, (23) Interpeduncular fossa, (24) Medial frontal gyrus, (25) Hypothalamic sulcus, (26) Foramen of Monro

Fig. 17 Overview of inferior surface of the brain. (1) Gyrus rectus, (2) Olfactory tract, (3) Medial orbital gyrus, (4) Orbital sulcus, (5) Anterior orbital gyrus, (6) Lateral orbital gyrus, (7) Posterior orbital gyrus, (8) Olfactory trigone, (9) Lateral olfactory stria, (10) Medial olfactory stria, (11) Anterior perforator substance, (12) Optic nerve, (13) Optic tract, (14) Infundibulum, (15) Mammillary body, (16) Posterior perforator substance, (17) Oculomotor nerve, (18) Cerebral aqueduct, (19) Superior colliculus, (20) Substantia nigra, (21) Cerebral peduncle, (22) Temporal pole, (23) Rhinal sulcus, (24) Uncus, (25) Parahippocampal gyrus, (26) Fusiform gyrus, (27) Inferior temporal gyrus, (28) Occipitotemporal sulcus, (29) Lingual gyrus, (30) Lateral geniculate body, (31) Paraterminal gyrus



Fig. 18 Craniotomy of interhemispheric transcalsal approach. (1) Coronal suture, (2) Middle frontal gyrus, (3) Superior frontal gyrus, (4) Superior sagittal sinus, (5) Posterior frontal vein, (6) Longitudinal fissure



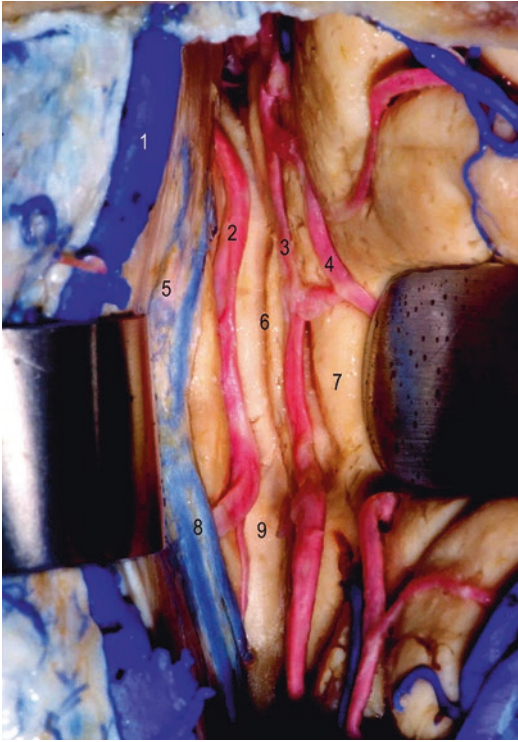


Fig. 19 Trajectory of interhemispheric transcalsal approach. (1) Superior sagittal sinus, (2) Left pericallosal artery, (3) Right pericallosal artery, (4) Right callosomarginal artery, (5) Falx cerebri, (6) Right callosal sulcus, (7) Cingulate gyrus, (8) Inferior sagittal sinus, (9) Body of corpus callosum

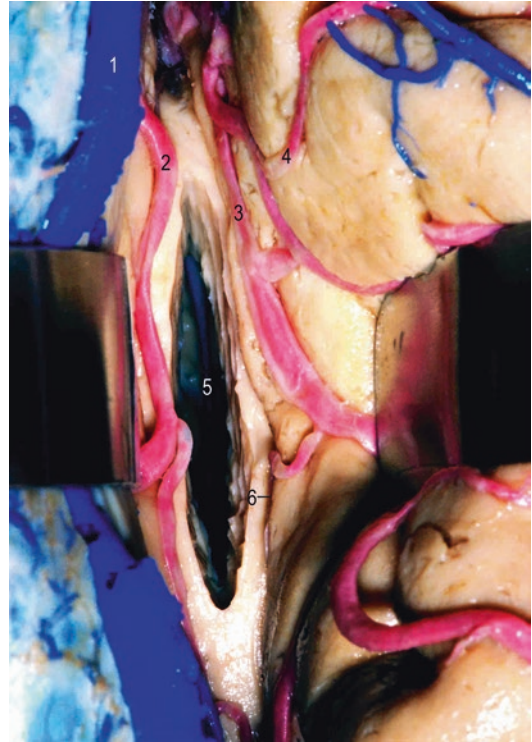


Fig. 20 Callostomy of interhemispheric transcalsal approach, (1) Superior sagittal sinus, (2) Left pericallosal artery, (3) Right pericallosal artery, (4) Right medial intermediate frontal artery, (5) Third ventricle, (6) Right callosal sulcus

Case 1.1 Frontal Epidermoid Cyst

Clinical presentation:

A 12-year-old boy presented with a 3-year history of frontal mass.

Neurological exam:

Uneventful

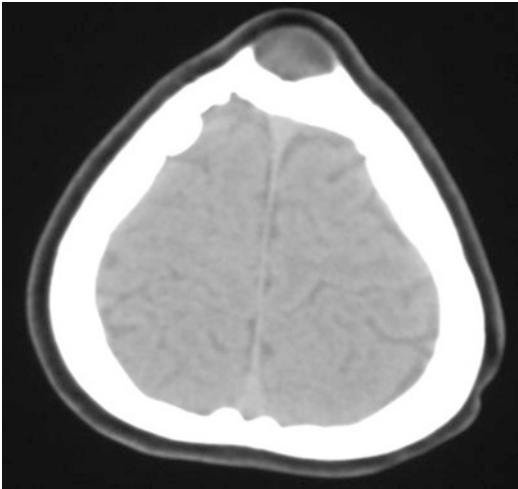


Fig. 21 Pre-op CT scan revealed a well-defined, uncalcified, and hypodense mass eroding the outer table of frontal bone

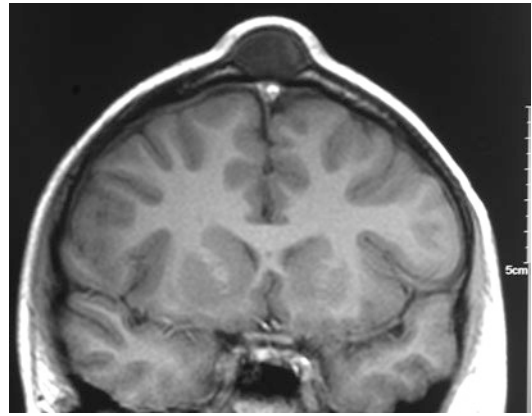


Fig. 23 Coronal T1-weighted MRI. Pre-op T1-weighted MRI showed an osseous round lesion expanding into subcutaneous tissue and invading the inner table of frontal bone

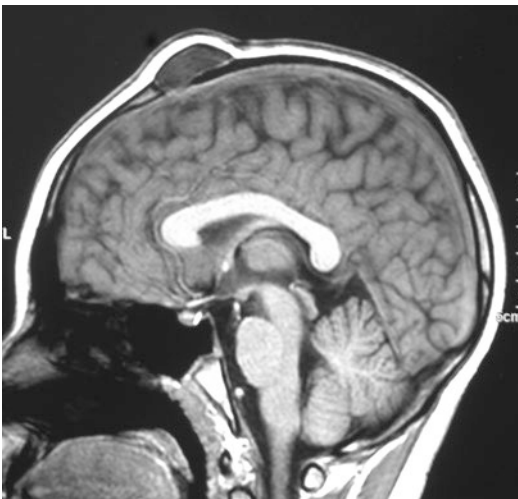


Fig. 22 Sagittal T1-weighted MRI



Fig. 24 A curvilinear incision was made along the outer margin of osseous mass

Fig. 25 The nodule protruded from the bony surface with ductile texture after opening the subcutaneous tissue

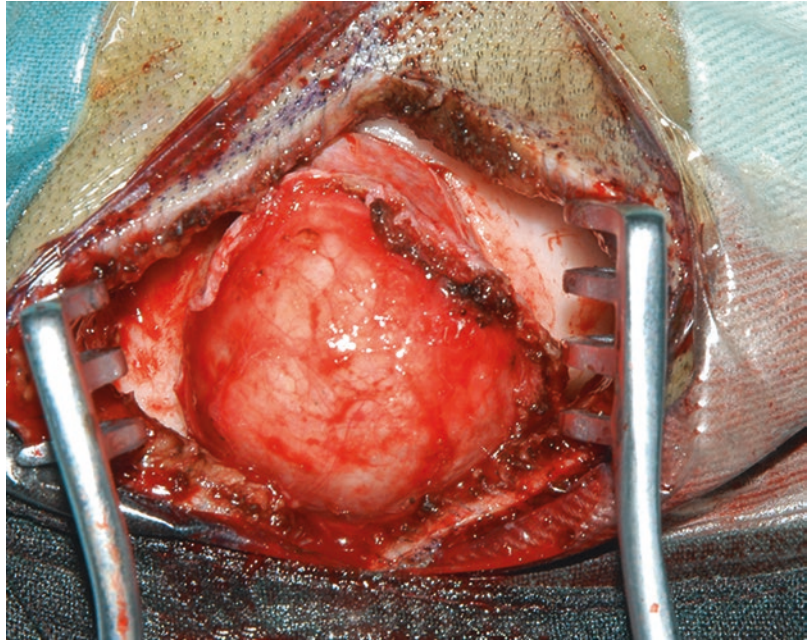


Fig. 26 The lesion with outer table erosion was resected en bloc while the inner table of frontal bone was well defined

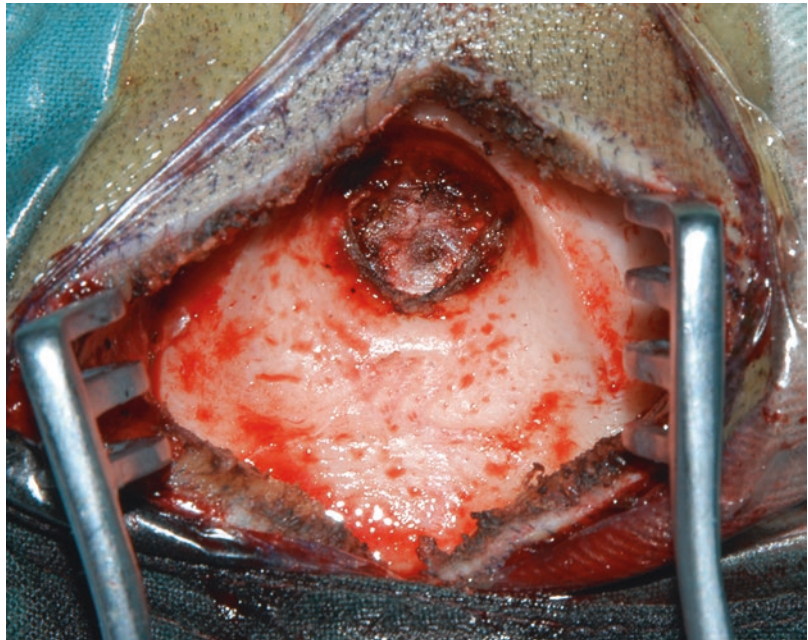


Fig. 27 The mass was opened and the lipid component was seen with hair



Case 1.2 Right Frontoparietal Meningioma

Clinical presentation:

A 39-year-old lady presented with a history of headache and hemiparesis of right lower extremity for 4 days.

Neurological exam:

Muscle strength: Grade IV (Lt lower extremity), others V

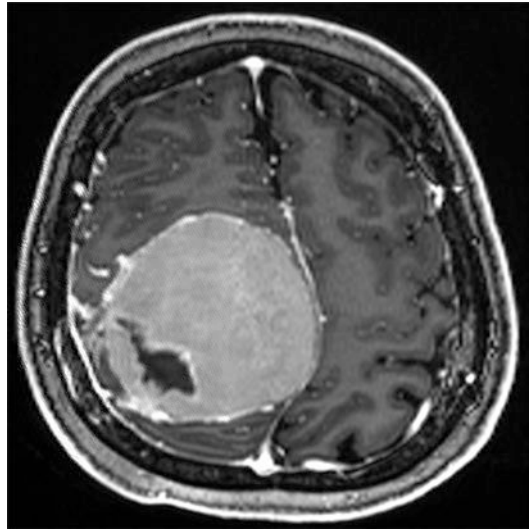


Fig. 28 Pre-op axial Gd-enhanced T1-weighted MR