



## Notable from Our Podcast

In the January 5, 2021, podcast interview, Dr. Stacey Clardy talks with Dr. Katharina Fink about her paper on antibody therapy for pregnant women with multiple sclerosis. [NPub.org/podcast](https://www.npub.org/podcast)



## Author Tip

### About the *Neurology* Resident & Fellow Section

This section, developed for the trainee readership, will keep you up to date on issues related to training and career considerations as well as support the development of lifelong learning skills. This section is trainee run: a team of residents and fellows has responsibility for writing, reviewing, editing, and publishing articles of interest to trainees. Weekly e-Pearls, or e-mail 'pearls' have been sent to residents nationwide since July 2008. An archive of e-pearls can be found at [NPub.org/epearls](https://www.npub.org/epearls).

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### Neurology Patients Faced With Rising Out-of-Pocket Costs for Tests, Office Visits

Just like with drug costs, the amount of money people pay out-of-pocket for diagnostic tests and office visits for neurologic conditions has risen over 15 years. A new study, funded by the American Academy of Neurology, found that people enrolled in high-deductible health plans were more likely to have high out-of-pocket costs than people in other types of plans. "This trend of increased out-of-pocket costs could be harmful, as people may forgo diagnostic evaluation due to costs, or those who complete diagnostic testing may be put in a position of financial hardship before they can even start to treat their condition," said study author Chloe E. Hill, MD, MS, of the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor and a member of the American Academy of Neurology. "What's more, right now neurologists and patients may not have individualized information available regarding what the out-of-pocket costs might be to make informed decisions about use of care."

Increasing Out-of-Pocket Costs for Neurologic Care for Privately-Insured Patients [doi.org/10.1212/WNL.00000000000011278](https://doi.org/10.1212/WNL.00000000000011278).



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### Association of Bone Mineral Density to Cerebral Small Vessel Disease Burden

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### Diagnostic Yield of Lateral Decubitus Digital Subtraction Myelogram Stratified by Brain MRI Findings

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### Neurologic and neuroimaging findings in patients with COVID-19A retrospective multicenter study

S. Kremer, F. Lersy, M. Anheim, et al. 2020;95:e1868-e1882. [doi.org/10.1212/WNL.00000000000010112](https://doi.org/10.1212/WNL.00000000000010112)

### Clinical Reasoning: An adolescent girl presenting with worsening vertigo, headache, and ataxia

E. Brigham, C. Sun, R. Bronnenkant, et al. 2020;95:e1760-e1763. [doi.org/10.1212/WNL.00000000000010233](https://doi.org/10.1212/WNL.00000000000010233)

### Folding a neuroscience center into streamlined COVID-19 response teams: Lessons in origami

D.J. Correa, D.L. Labovitz, M.J. Milstein, et al. 2020;95:583-592. [doi.org/10.1212/WNL.00000000000010542](https://doi.org/10.1212/WNL.00000000000010542)

### A neurologist in the COVID unit: Reflections on a redeployment

S.C. Krieger. 2020;95:877-880. [doi.org/10.1212/WNL.00000000000010850](https://doi.org/10.1212/WNL.00000000000010850)

### International consensus guidance for management of myasthenia gravis: 2020 update

P. Narayanaswami, D.B. Sanders, G. Wolfe, et al. First published November 3, 2020. [doi.org/10.1212/WNL.00000000000011124](https://doi.org/10.1212/WNL.00000000000011124)

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