Teaching NeuroImage: Intracerebral Seroma Secondary to Arterial-Venous Malformation

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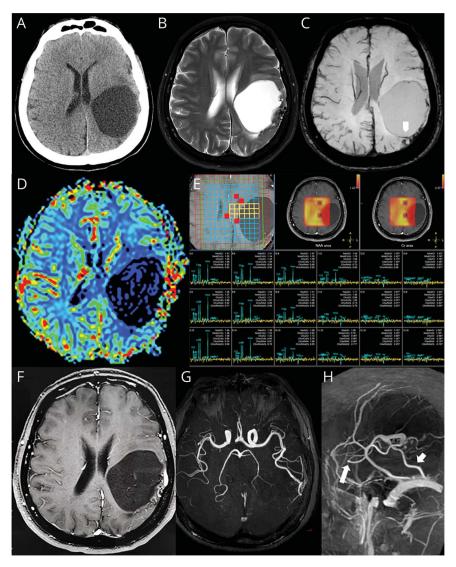
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Figure Intracerebral Seroma Due to Arterial-Venous Malformation (AVM)

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(A–F) Multiparameter images show a cyst-like mass with hemosiderin deposition (arrowhead) on *susceptibility-weighted imaging*, no enhancement on enhanced T1-weighted imaging, and no abnormalities on the cerebral blood volume map and proton magnetic resonance spectroscopy. (G, H) Time-of-flight magnetic resonance angiography and sagittal thin-slab maximum intensity projection enhanced T1-weighted imaging show an AVM fed by the middle cerebral artery long arrow) and drained by Labbe vein (short arrow).

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A 44-year-old man presented with worsening weakness of the right upper and lower limbs and a 26-year history of epilepsy. Images showed a cyst-like mass with hemosiderin deposition in the left hemisphere neighboring an arterial-venous malformation (AVM) (Figure). Imaging findings were consistent with seroma secondary to an AVM. After receiving oral antiepileptic treatment, muscle strength of affected limbs recovered from grade 4 to 5. Seroma usually occurs as a complication of radiosurgery²; few cases are attributed to untreated intracerebral AVMs. This case suggests that intracerebral seroma associated with AVMs could be a long-term consequence of prior intracranial bleeding episodes.

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