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INTRACRANIAL HAEMORRHAGE ON CT-SCAN

DEFINITION: Extravasation of blood within cranium due to rupture of blood vessels within cranium is called intracranial haemorrhage.

PROCEDURE OF CHOICE: Pre-contrast, CT-scan is the procedure of choice for intracranial haemorrhage. Iodinated contrast may be injected to increase the evaluation of CT-scan for ICH.
=> CT-angiography "spot sign" may be used to tell us about cerebral haematoma.

APPEARANCE ON CT-SCAN: CT-scan demonstrated acute intracranial haemorrhages as "Hyperdense signal intensity".
=> Multifocal haemorrhages at frontal, temporal, occipital poles suggest / indicates traumatic etiology.
=> Acute haemorrhage on non-contrast CT appears as "Area of high density."

① Intraparenchymal-haemorrhage: On CT, appears as typically rounded hyperdense structure.

② Intraventricular-haemorrhage: On CT, "conforms to ventricular shape."

③ Subarachnoid-haemorrhage: Takes along the sulci & fissures.

④ Subdural-Haemorrhage: "Crescent shape" on CT-scan.

⑤ Epidural-Haemorrhage: "Lentiform" shape on CT-scan.

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PHASES OF TISSUE ENHANCEMENT

INTRODUCTION: 3- general phases are
(i) Bolus phase (Arterial)
(ii) Non-equilibrium (Venous)
(iii) Equilibrium (Delayed phase)

i) BOLUS-PHASE/ARTERIAL: \Rightarrow Here arterial structures are filled with contrast medium so bright structures displayed on image hence called arterial phase.
 \Rightarrow Immediately follows IV-bolus-injection.
 \Rightarrow The phase is characterized by AVID or Hounsfield units (HU) b/w aorta and inferior vena cava.
 \Rightarrow CT-angiography images, taken when contrast is in bolus phase.

ii) NON-EQUILIBRIUM/VENOUS: \Rightarrow contrast agents is still much brighter in arteries but venous structures are also opacified hence called venous-phase.
 \Rightarrow Follows bolus phase and is characterized by difference of 10-30 HU AVID.
 \Rightarrow Venous phase begins 1min after bolus phase and lasts for 1min.
 \Rightarrow Most routinely body images are obtained while contrast is in venous/non-equilibrium phase.

iii) EQUILIBRIUM/DELAYED-PHASE: \Rightarrow Delayed phase begins as soon as 2min after bolus injection. \Rightarrow characterized by a difference of 10 Hounsfield unit b/w aorta & inferior vena cava.
 \Rightarrow Worst-phase for body scans especially liver.
 \Rightarrow Intravascular structures & interstitial concentrations of contrast, equilibrate and decline at same rate.

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QUALITIES OF IDEAL IV ACCESS SITE

INTRODUCTION: Qualities of IV access site which would make the site ideal for contact media are:

(i)
LOCATION: The site is well located.

(ii)
ESTABLISHMENT: was established recently because older IV access sites are more likely to extravasate.

(iii)
HUB/PORT: contains a connecting hub/port that is not accessed - i.e. intermittent IV line, or if accessed, has a saline (0.9% NaCl or D5W).

(iv)
NO inflammatory signs: site does not show evidence of

redness, blanching or swelling in the skin surrounding the puncture.

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EFFECT, MOVING PATIENT'S CHIN UP/DOWN

SLICE ANGLE: Anatomy displayed in cross sectional slices will be slightly different, depending upon angulation (angle) used.

=> Slice angle, determined by position of patient's head (moving the chin up or down) and the angle of gantry.

Orbitomeatal Line: Previously it was once common to program cross-sectional slices of brain to be parallel to orbitomeatal line but:

GLABELLOMEATAL LINE: Recent practices favour using supra-orbital meatal line / glabellomeatal line to reduce radiation exposure to the lens of eye.

AXIAL TECHNIQUES: Axial techniques are often used for routine brain imaging.

=> Recent practices favour program in which slices of brain parallel to supraorbital meatal line rather than orbital meatal line -> reducing radiation exposure to eye.

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PATIENT'S POSITION IN CORONAL PLANE

INTRODUCTION: As coronal plane provide additional information as compare to axial plane. so if we want to get data in coronal plane then position of the patient is described by following

2- methods:

i) Prone-Position: Place the patient prone on scanning table and with chin forward.

ii) SUPINE POSITION: another method is to place the patient supine and dropping his head back as far as possible. Specialized head holder is required to get that position of patient.

NOTE In either method (Position), the slice plane will be horizontal coronal. If the patient cannot extend the neck fully, the gantry may be angled to obtain more coronal plane.

IMAGE \Rightarrow Image obtained in either the prone / supine coronal position is essentially same.

\Rightarrow Images are flipped inferior - superior.

IMAGE-FACTORS \Rightarrow Image preference depends on:

- ① Patient comfort
- ② Radiologist preference
- ③ Gravity effect on anatomical structures.

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IDIOSYNCRATIC, CHEMOTAXIC REACTION SYMPTOM

IDIOSYNCRATIC REACTION:

is defined as drug reaction irrespective of dose of the drug, occurring in certain population, involving the immune response is known as idiosyncratic reaction. It differs from allergic reaction.

NOTE: Also known as Type-B reaction.

SYMPTOMS: => Rigors => Abdominal pain => Hypotension

=> Urticaria (generalized body rash) => Oedema (esp. face)

=> metallic taste in mouth => nausea => cough & sneezing

=> skin necrotizing lesions => Delayed onset reaction (headache, itching, rashes)

=> Flushing => substantial respiratory distress, => convulsion

=> cardiopulmonary arrest

CHEMOTOXIC REACTION SYMPTOMS:

=> Venous/arterial reactions

=> warmth

=> Flushing

=> nausea

=> Emesis

these are usually transient and self limited.

DELAYED REACTION: Delayed reactions belong to

Idiosyncratic group reaction.