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- 65 y, female, mental retardation
- Chiari I + hydrocephalus (1992)

Decompression + shunt

• Lumbar surgery (2000)

• Feb 2008 - headache, disorientation, somnolence, fever, nuchal rigidity

CSF

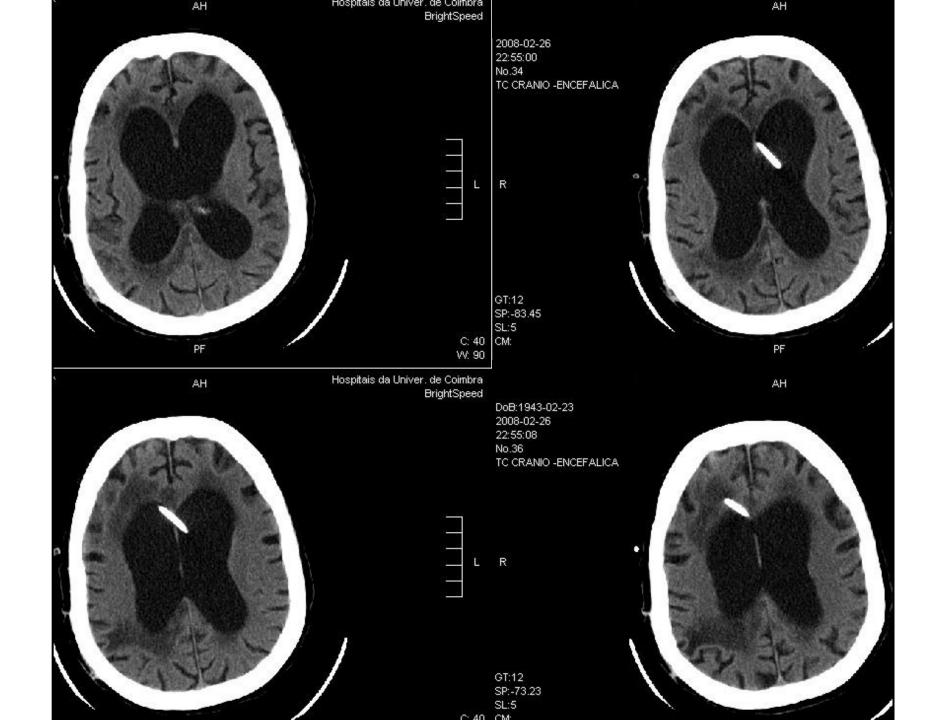
how what for what to expect

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CSF

Blood samples

CT scan



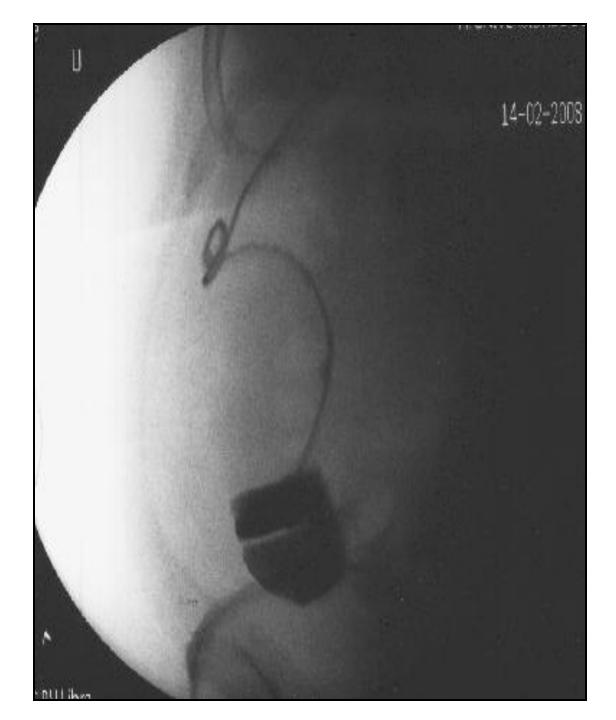
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- Removal + antibiotics (+ EVD ?)
- Antibiotics + immediate replacement
- Antibiotics alone

• Shunt hardware for culture ?

• Resistance to removal distal end

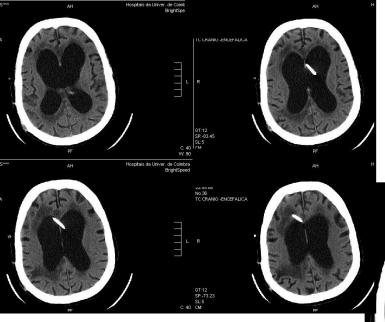
Contrast injection

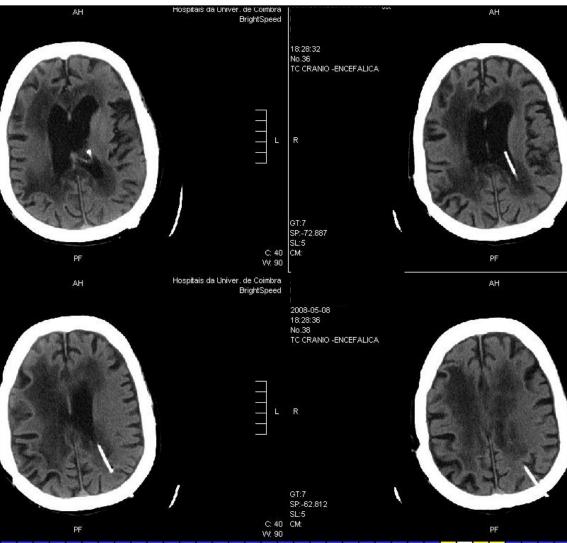


 Laparotomy and ascending colon opening with removal and reparation

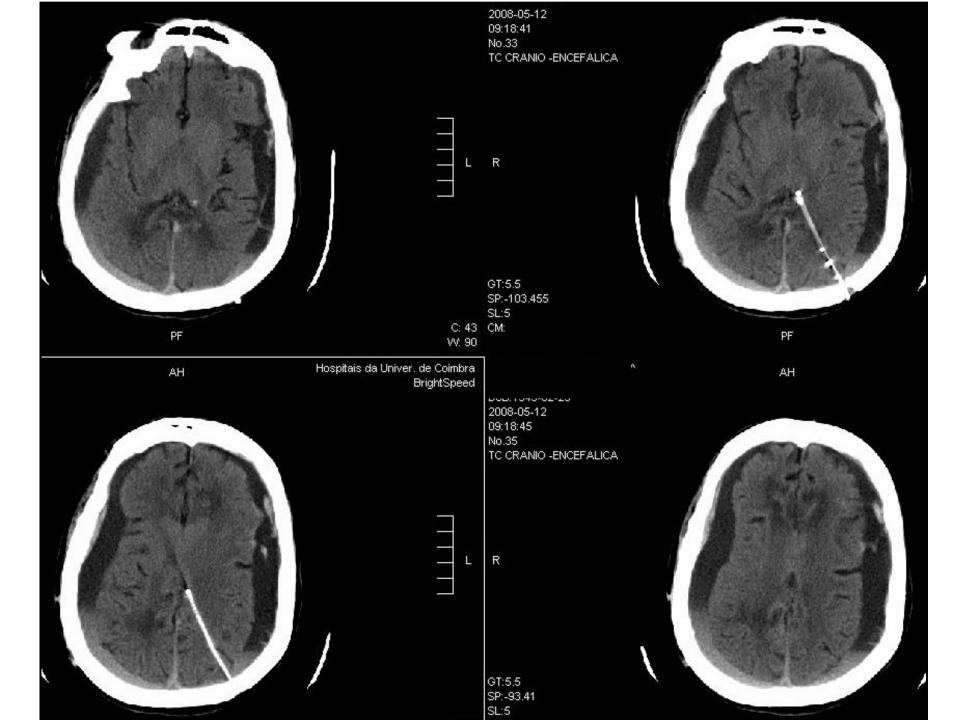
• CSF - E. coli + Enterococcus cassiliflavus

- Pos-op no complications, infection resolution
- New VP shunt
- Good clinical evolution
- CT (08/05/08) OK

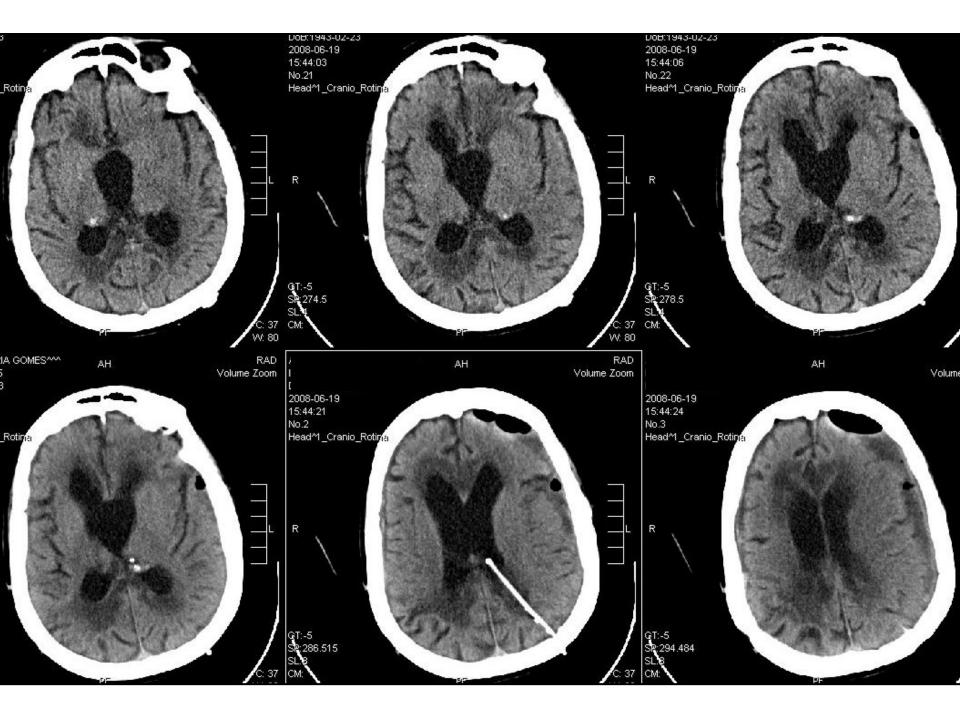




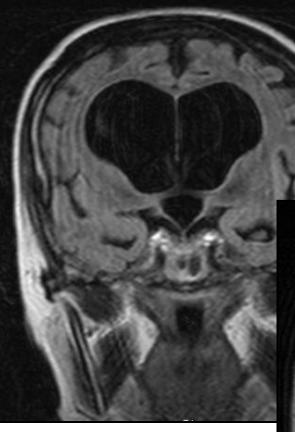
- Fall, head injury
- 3 days later lethargy, disorientation
- No fever, no nuchal rigidity
- CT



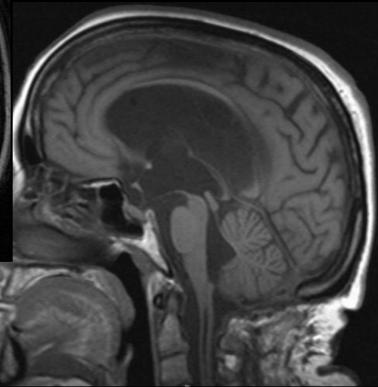
- 1) shunt closure Ø
- 2) bilateral trepanation persistence of significant effusion
- 3) repeated aspiration partial resolution











- Risk reduction
- Prophylatic antibiotics
- 1st operation of the day
- Restrict room personnel
- Double gloves
- Antibiotic soaking