

Stroke

HEMORRHAGIC STROKE: THINK ABOUT WALDENSTRÖM MACROGLOBULINEMIA

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A 74-year-old patient, known with multifocal hemorrhagic stroke, hypertension, renal insufficiency, atrial fibrillation, presented at the outpatient clinic accusing one episode of spatial disorientation, which resolved spontaneously after 30 minutes. He also complained for many years about feet numbness. Brain MRI does not showed new ischemic or hemorrhagic lesions. Nerve conduction studies demonstrated severe axonal motor and sensitive neuropathy. Laboratory workup, including bone marrow aspiration, was positive for Waldenström macroglobulinemia.

Even in the presence of cardiovascular risk factors for hemorrhagic stroke, think about rare causes of stroke.

