

CN III

Describe the course of CNIII

1. arise in the rostral midbrain at level of superior colliculus
Rostral to CNIV nuclear complex
Inferolateral to MLF
2. Edinger Westphal nucleus-cephalad and dorsomedial
carries parasympathetic preganglionic efferent innervation
To ciliary muscle and pupillary sphincter
3. Subnuclei: paired nuclei: MR, IR, IO
Shared nuclei: LP
Crossed nuclei: SR
4. Fasciculus runs ventrally through red nucleus and corticospinal fibers
5. Subarachnoid space travels below PCA and above SCA
aneurysms occur at junction PCA and ICA
6. Penetrates arachnoid between free and attached borders of tentorium cerebelli.
7. Pierces dura at lateral side of posterior clinoid process traversing roof of cavernous sinus above CN IV
- 8, superior CNIII : SR AND LP
inferior CNIII: MR, IR, IO and parasymp fibers

Nuclear third paresis:

1. contralateral SR
2. bilateral ptosis
3. ipsilateral IR, IO and MR

Third nerve fascicle syndrome

Nothnagel's syndrome

superior cerebellar peduncle
ipsi CNIII and cerebellar ataxia

Benedikt's syndrome

red nucleus

ipsi CNII with contralateral hemitremor
 Weber's syndrome
 cerebral peduncle
 contralateral hemiparesis
 Claude's syndrome= Benedikt's syndrome and Nothnagel's syndrome

uncle herniation syndrome

space occupying lesion in cerebral hemisphere causing downward displacement and herniation of uncus across the tentorial edge

post communicating artery aneurysm

pupillary involvement

cavernous sinus syndrome

ass with CN IV, V, VI
 all muscles not equally involved

orbital syndrome

inferior vs sup division

pupil sparing third

ischemic

w/u: BP, CBC, ESR, glucose, VDRL, FTABS, ANA

observe, >40 with HPT, DM or migraine

recovery by 2 mos, max 6

imaging if pupil involved, no improvement in 3 mos, aberrant regeneration, or new neuro findings

aberrant regeneration of CN III

lid gaze dyskinesia ; pseudo - von Graefe's (lid retraction on downgaze)

Inverse Duane's lid retraction with adduction

pupil gaze dyskinesia: pseudo Argyll Robertson

Pupil constrict in downgaze

Describe the circle of Willis

basilar artery → PCA → Posterior communicating → MCA → ACA → ant

communicating → ACA → MCA → posterior communicating → PCA → BA

CN IV

Anatomy:

1. Located in caudal mesencephalon at the level of inferior colliculus, continuous with CNIII
2. Curve dorsocaudally and decussate in ant medullary velum
3. Exits brainstem beneath the inferior colliculus
4. Curves around brain stem beneath the free edge of tentorium and passes between PCA and post cerebellar artery
5. In cavernous sinus runs below CNIII and above V1
6. Enters orbit in SOF above annulus of Zinn

nuclear-fascicular syndrome

fascicular ass with contra Horner's
caused by hg, infarct, demyelination, trauma

subarachnoid space syndrome

bilateral, ant medullary velum, caused by trauma, pinealoma, tentorial meningioma, meningitis and neuro trauma

cavernous sinus syndrome

in conjunction with CNIII, CNVI, CN V
test intorttion in abduction and depression

orbital syndrome

ass with chemosis proptosis and CNIII, CNVI, CN V involvement

isolated fourth

congenital: large fusional amplitude, old photos
acquired: acute diplopia

CNVI (abducens)

1. Floor of fourth ventricles, beneath facial colliculus in caudal pons, nucleus contains motoneurons that supply LR and internuclear neurons that project via the MLF to the MR subdivision of the contra oculomotor nucleus
2. MLF medial

3. Fascicular portion runs ventrally through PPRF and exits pons in pontomedullary junction
4. Subarachnoid on surface of clivus
5. Through Dorello's canal and enters cavernous sinus

nuclear VI

ipsi conjugated horizontal palsy

brainstem syndrome

ipsilateral Horner's : oculosympathetic central neuron

ipsi INO: MLF

contra hemiparesis: pyramidal tract

Millaer Gubler syndrome: CN 6, ipsi CN 7 and contra hemiparesis

Raymond's syndrome: Cn 6 and contrahemiparesis

Foville's syndrome: nuclear 6, ipsi CN 5, 7, 8 and ipsi Horner's

subarachnoid space syndrome

Increased ICP in Idio intracranial hypertension, also hg, ID, Inflamm, infiltra

petrous apex syndrome

Gradenigo's syndrome

cn6, ipsi decreased hearing, ipsi facial pain 5, ipsi facial paralysis

petrous bone fracture

cn 5, 6, 7,8,

pseudo Gradenigo's

nasopharyngeal ca + CS INVASION cn6

cerebellopontine angle tumor

Cavernous sinus syndrome

orbital apex syndrome

isolated Cn 6

observe patients under 15 and over 40

Image pts between 15 and 40

DDX: to

mg

duanes'l

near reflex spasm

blowout fracture

CET fusion break

CNV

nuclei

mesencephalic: proprioception and deep sensation from masticatory, facial and extraocular muscles

main sensory

Light touch skin and mucous membranes

spinal nucleus and tract

Sensory from V1, V2, V3 in onion skin topography

motor nucleus in the pons

Motor to mastication muscles

Gasserian ganglion

located in Meckel's cave, in proximity to the ICA and post cavernous sinus

V1 : frontal, lacrimal, and nasociliary

V2: infraorbital

V3: motor to masticatory muscles

DECREASED SENSATION

DDX corneal

HSV, post-op, cerebellopontine angle tumors, dysautonomia, congenital

DDX V1:

neoplasm orbital apex, SOF, CS, middle fossa, aneurysm

DDX V2, orbit floor fracture, maxillary antrum ca, perineural spread skin ca,

neoplasm in foramen rotundum sphenopterygoid fossa

DDXV3, nasopharyngeal ca, middle fossa tumour

all divisions: nasopharyngeal ca, cerebellopontine angle, brainstem lesions, intracavernous sinus, demyelination

PAIN

ocular: tear film, ocular inflammation, COD

V1: migraine. Raeder's paratrigeminal neuralgia, HZV< referred, tic douloureux

V2: tic, dopuloureux, nasopharyngeal, temporal mandibular syndrome, dental, sinusitis

V3: tic, dental

CNVII

sensory root: nervus intermedius tearing salivation and taste

travels with the CNVIII through the internal auditory canal coursing through the petrous bone exiting thru the stylomastoid foramen

supranuclear facial palsy

contra weakness of lower 2/3 of face

cerebellopontine angle tumor

total ipsi facial weakness, decreased tearing, hyperacusis, decreased taste to ant 2/3 of tongue,

ass V, VI, VII, Horner's gaze palsy, nystagmus, papilledema, cerebellar dysfunction

geniculate ganglionitis Ramsay Hunt syndrome

total ipsi facial weakness, decreased tearing, hyperacusis, decreased taste to ant 2/3 of tongue

Zoster vesicles on tympanic mb

isolated tear deficiency

vidian nerve affected nasopharyngeal , may have CNVI

Bell's palsy

total ipsi facial weakness, decreased tearing, hyperacusis, decreased taste to ant 2/3 of tongue

isolated total ipsi facial palsy

mastoidopathy, facial trauma

facial diplegia

brainstem contusion, stroke, glioma

Moebius syndrome, ass with bil vi, palatal lingual palsy, deafness,

Deciciencies of pectoral and lingual muscles

Extremity defects : dyndactyly, supernumary digits, absent fingers and toe

MG

Crocodile tears

Spastic facial contractures

pontine neoplasm, unilateral contractur ass with facial weakness

Blepharospasm, bil, awake
hemifacial, unilateral, occurs while sleep

Horizontal gaze abnormalities

conjugate gaze palsy

Cn VI or PPRF

INO: decrease add in gaze away from MLF lesion, abn nys of contra eye

Cogan's posterior: convergence is intact

Cogan's anterior: absence of convergence, bilateral

WEBINO: bilateral INO

1 and 1/2: ipsi CNVI nucleus, and ipsi MLF