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# Case-based challenges in endocarditis: applying the 2023 ESC guidelines.

# A patient with cerebral complications.

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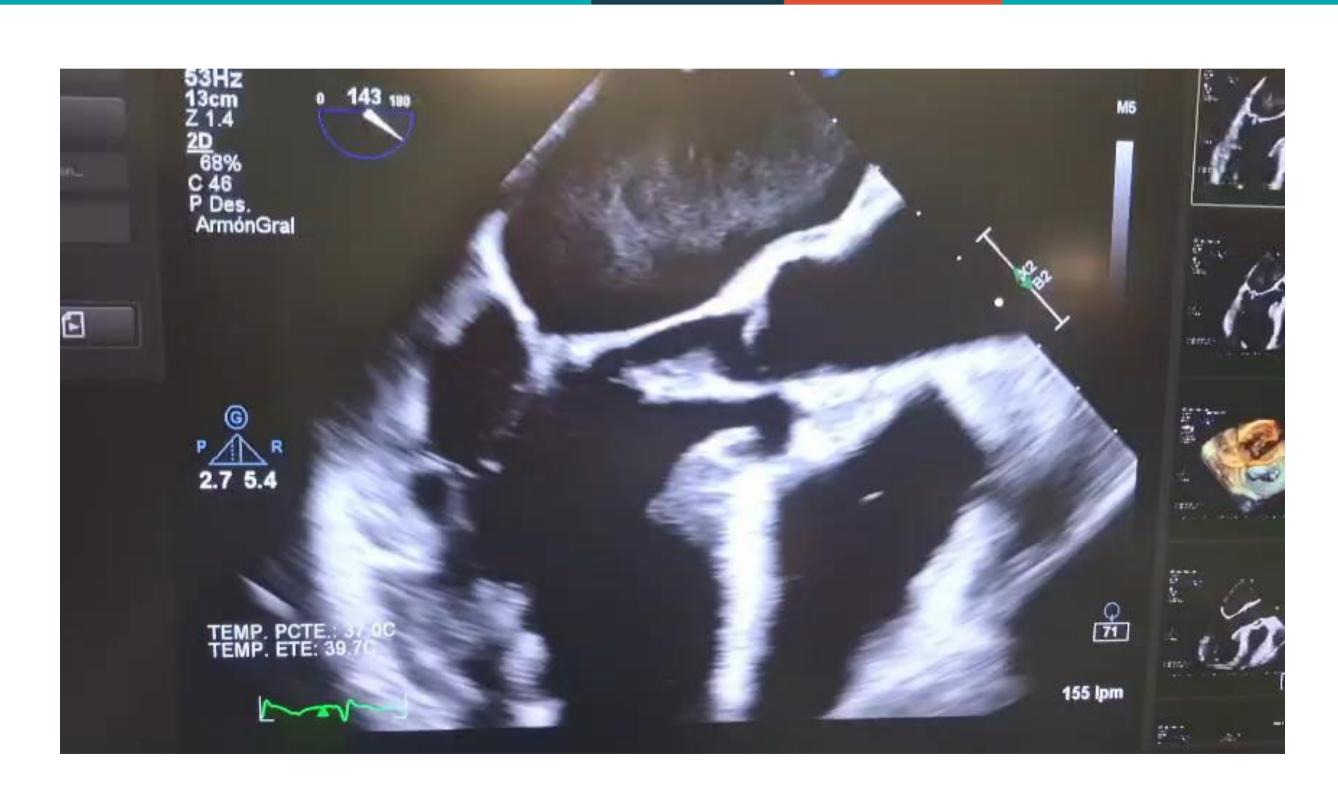
















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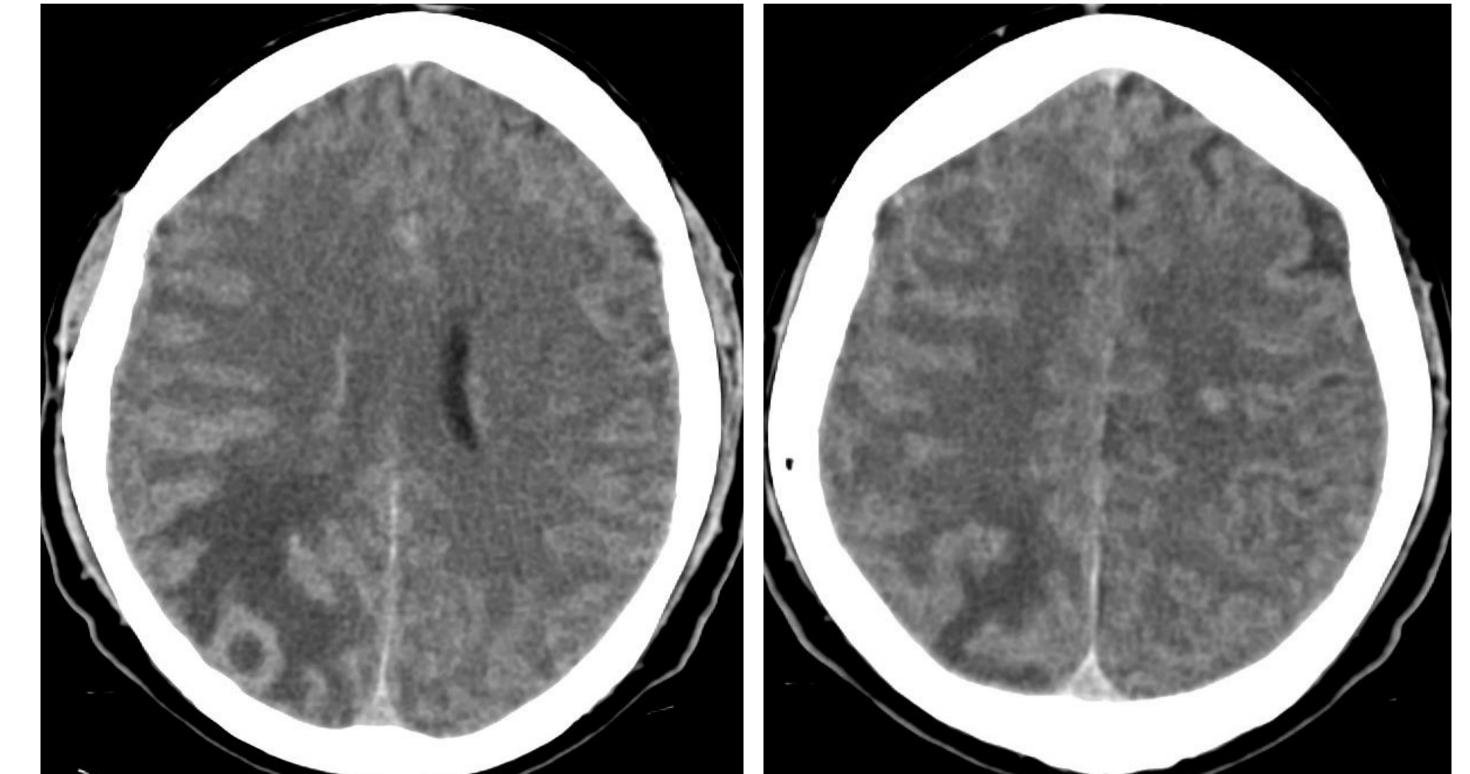


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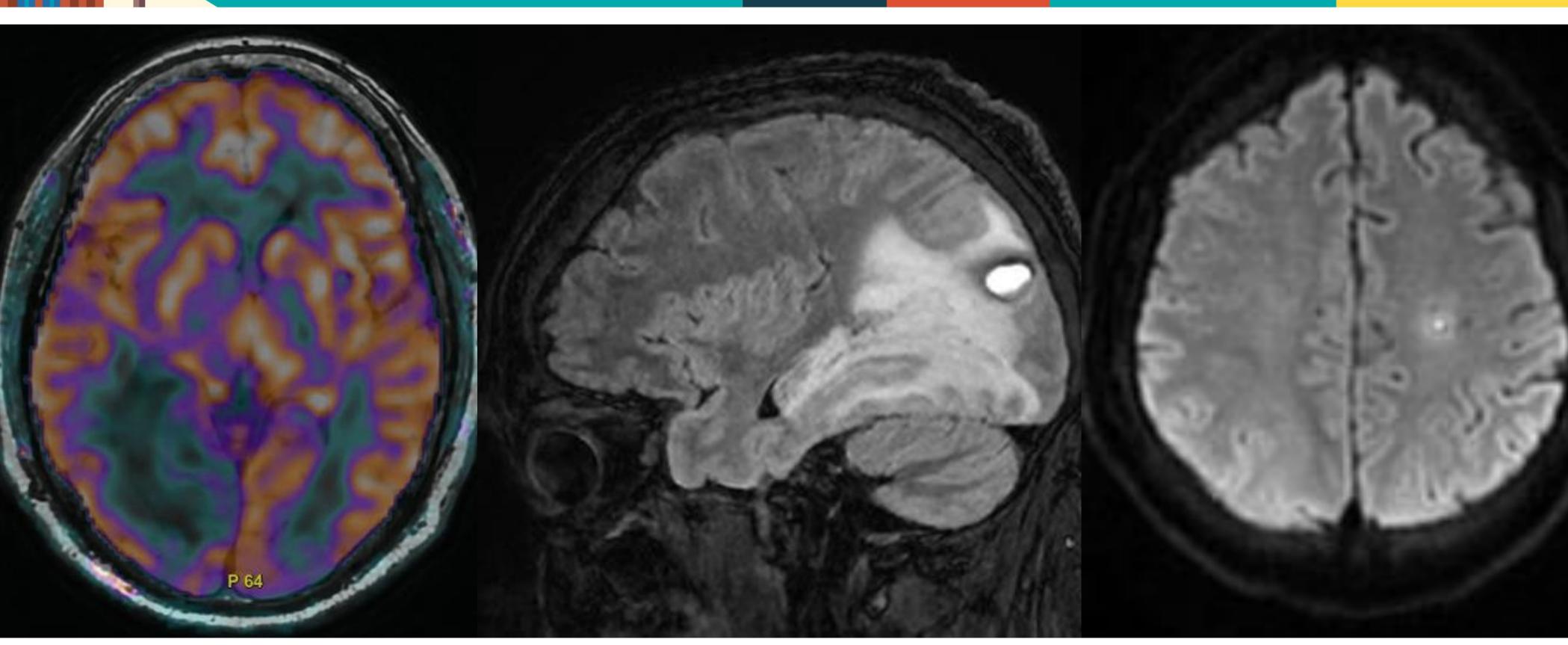




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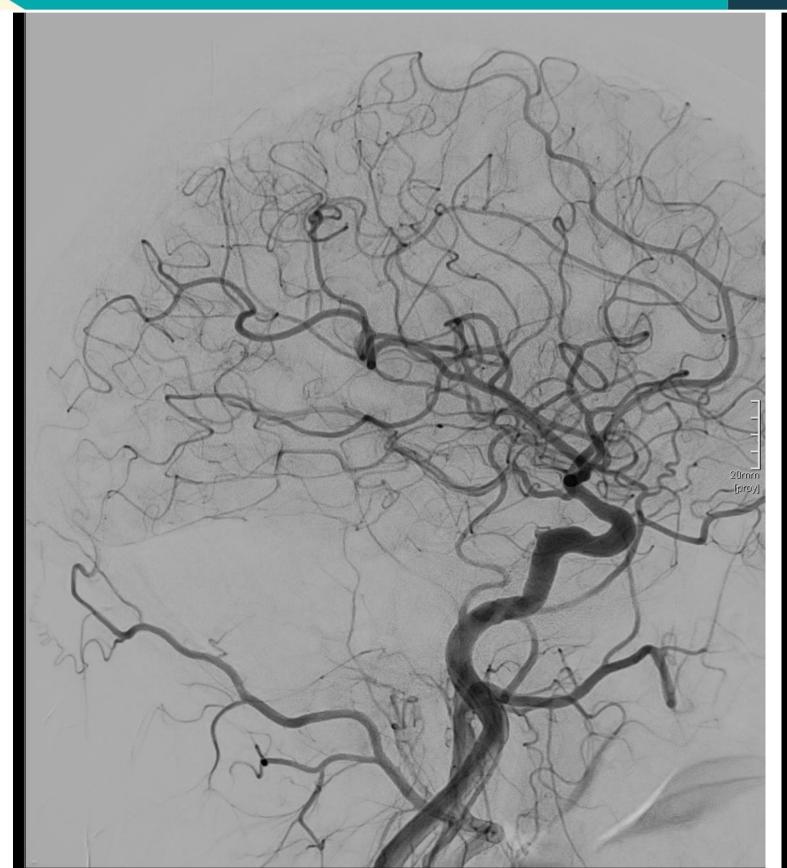




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A case of **subacute cerebral hemorrhage** in a patient with two mechanical prostheses and **anticoagulated (acenocumarol)**.

ENDOCARDITIS TEAM

Stop anticoagulants for 48 h and repeat MRA New MRA: stable hematoma and anticoagulation with heparin was started.

Evolution: reduction of the hematoma (MRA) & discharged.











A 31-year-old woman presented to another H with a one week history of fever, malaise and headache. Two months earlier she had been to the dentist for a teeth cleaning. Physical Ex: pansystolic murmur due to MR & no HF. Suspicion of IE: blood cultures & echocardiography. TTE & TEE: MV prolapse, 10 mm veg and moderate to severe MR.

BC: Streptococcus sanguinis (Viridans S. group).

Medical treatment: ceftriaxone 2 g/day iv. during 6 weeks.











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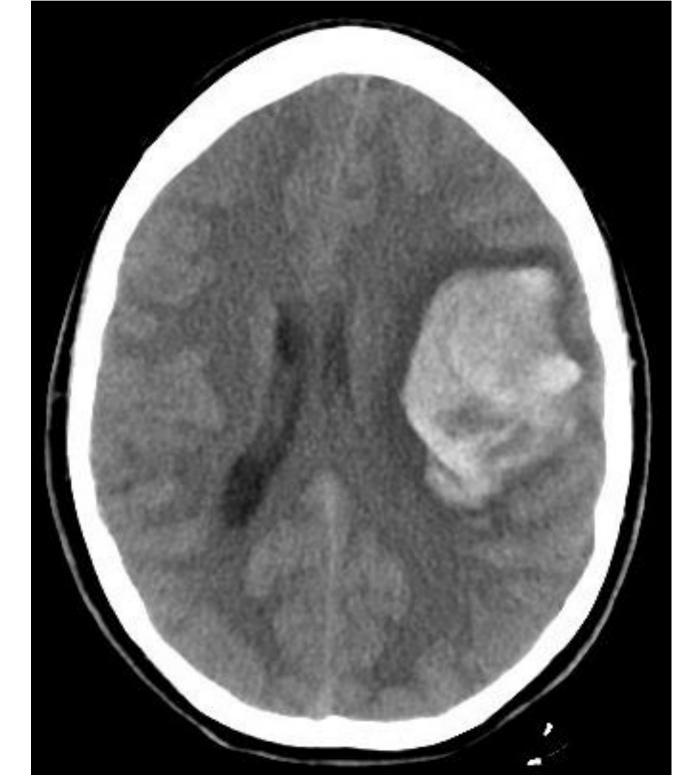


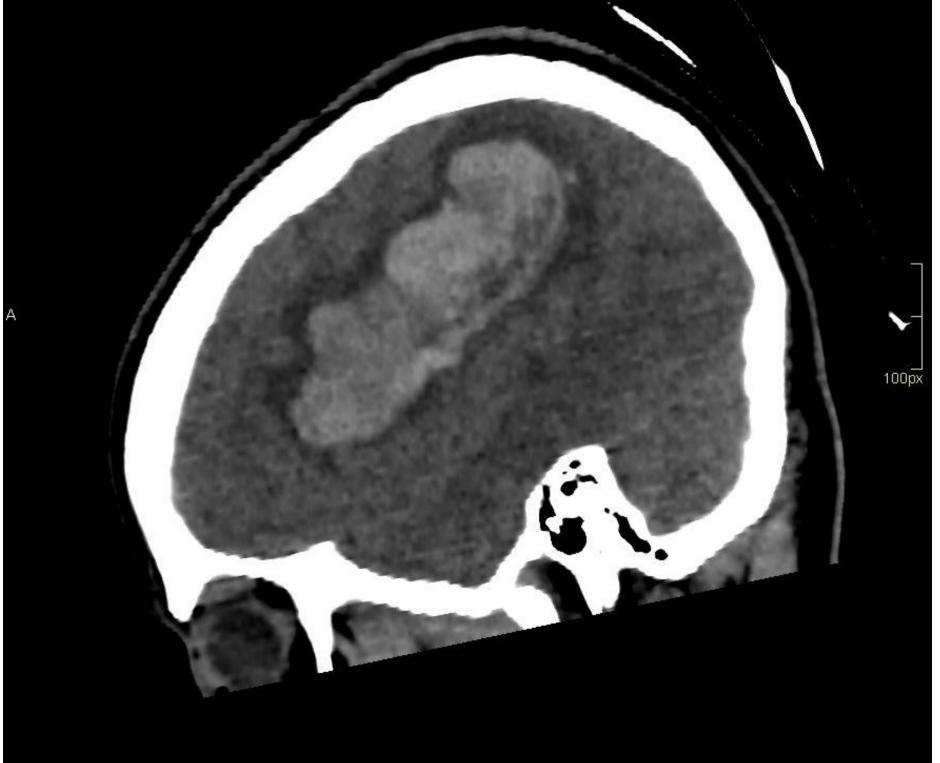






CODIGO ICTUS: confusion, dysarthria and right hemiplegia.















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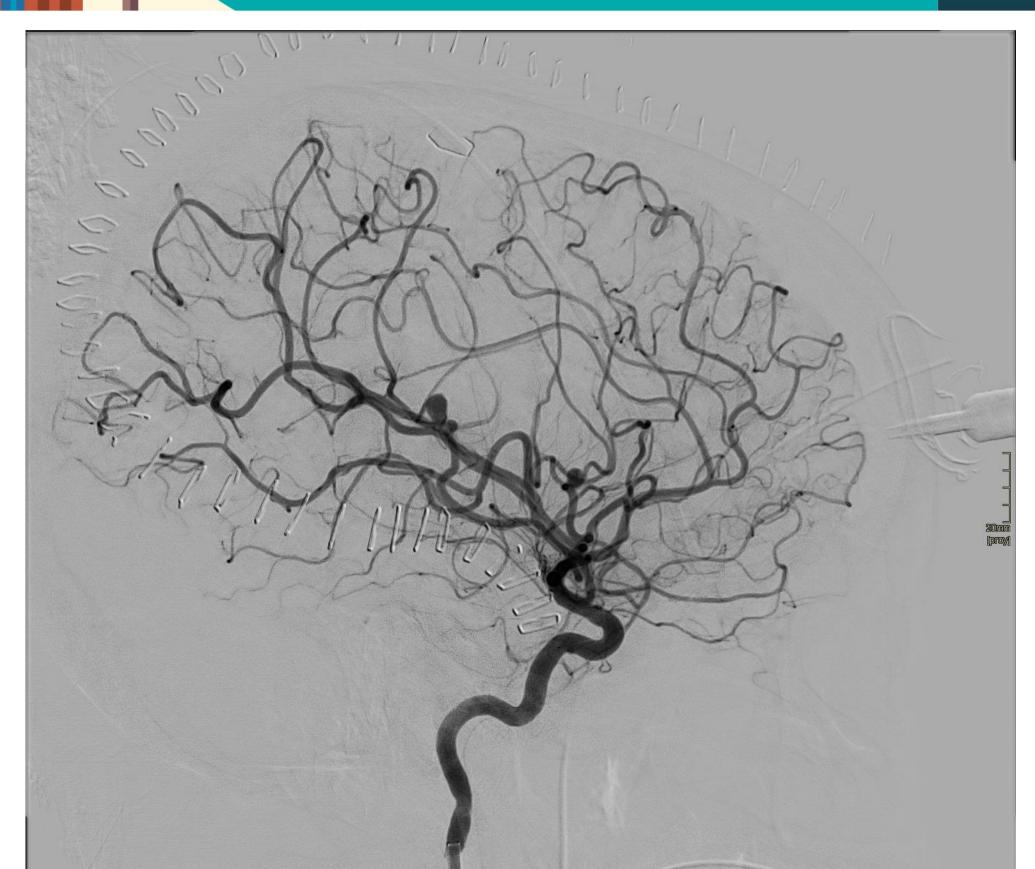


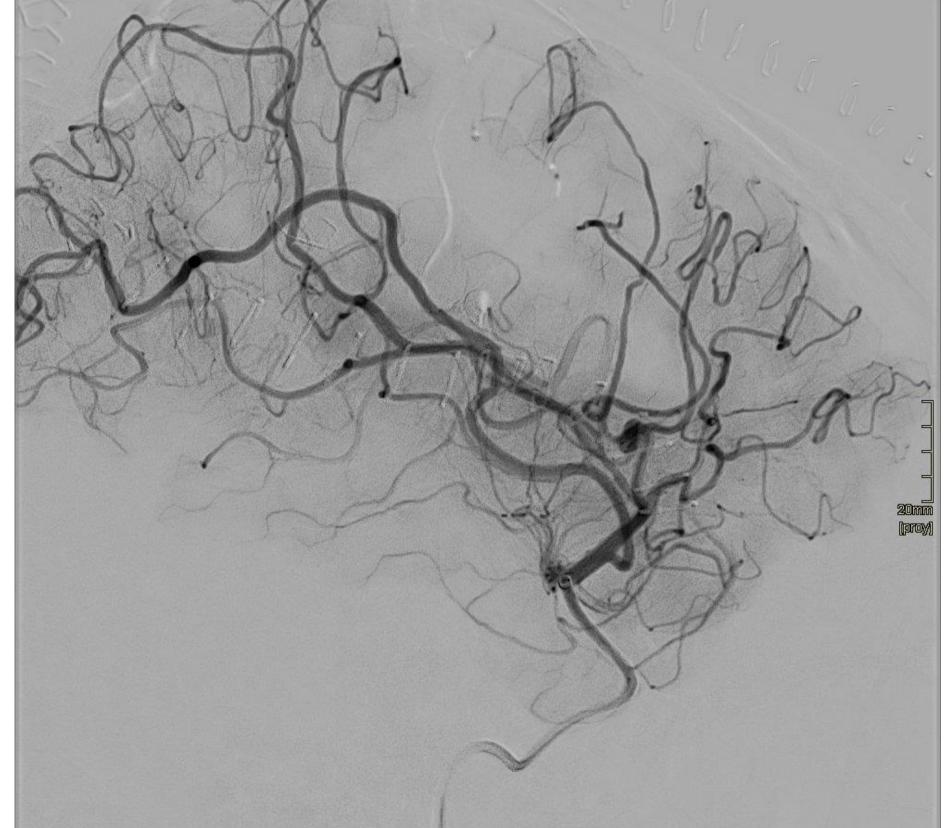














Clinical evolution: she gradually recovered, had no fever or signs of infection at any time.

BC were negative, and she remained hemodynamically stable.

After intensive neurorehabilitation and logotherapy, she was discharged with normal walking, mild dysarthria and monoparesis of the right arm.

























## CONCLUSIONS

- Neurologic complications may occur at any time.
- When neurological complications are suspected,
   MRA or CTA should be preferred over brain CT.
- Neurosurgery or endovascular therapy in large, growing or ruptured aneurysms.
- Patient treatment must be individualized in many cases. Endocarditis Team.
- Systematic search for these complications?