

MIGRAINE MIMICS: IS THIS REALLY MIGRAINE?

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DISCLOSURES

- Advisory Boards and/or Lecture Fees for:
 - Allergan / Abbvie
 - Eli Lilly
 - Lundbeck
 - Teva
 - Novartis

**LEARNING OBJECTIVES:
TO RECOGNISE THAT CONDITIONS WHICH MAY
BE MISTAKEN FOR MIGRAINE MAY FALL INTO THE
FOLLOWING CATEGORIES**

- 1. Secondary headaches with migrainous features**
- 2. Primary headaches with migrainous features**
- 3. Transient neurological dysfunction with similarity to aura**
- 4. Borderzone of migraine: bizarre aura-like syndromes**
- 5. Can secondary headaches evolve into migraine?**

- **Secondary Headaches presenting like migraine**
- Red Flags: SNOOP4
- Remember especially
 - Low pressure headache from spinal leak
 - Cerebral AVMs may present as very typical migraines
 - Idiopathic Intracranial Hypertension
 - Cerebral Venous Thrombosis
- **Primary Headaches presenting like migraine: some examples**
- Genuine diagnostic difficulty
 - New daily Persistent Headache
 - Hemicrania Continua
- May co-exist with migraine and have overlapping features
 - Primary Stabbing Headache
 - Nummular headache
 - Hypnic Headache

- **Transient neurological dysfunction with similarity to aura**
 - How to distinguish between migraine aura, focal seizures and TIAs
- **Borderzone of Migraine: bizarre aura-like symptoms**
 - Conditions that are not migraine but occur more often in migraineurs
 - Visual snow: compare with prolonged visual aura
 - PPPD (Persistent Postural Perceptual Dizziness)
 - Migrainous features that lead to misclassification
 - MUMS: misdiagnosed as Hemiplegic migraine
 - Rare migrainous syndromes
 - SMART syndrome: compare with hemiplegic migraine
- **Can some secondary headaches transform into Migraine?**

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