



Update on Migraine

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Migraine diagnosis and treatment: A knowledge and needs assessment of women's healthcare providers

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Conclusion: Women's healthcare providers appear to have several knowledge gaps regarding the management of migraine in their patients. These providers would likely benefit from access to a headache-specific educational curriculum to improve provider performance and patient outcomes.



BRIEF REPORT

A survey of family doctors on the likeability of migraine and other common diseases and their prevalence of migraine

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CONCLUSIONS:

- ▶ Doctors reported liking to treat general medical conditions more
- ▶ (mean = 4.40) than migraine (mean = 3.38) and other neurological diseases
- ▶ 17% of doctors becoming aware for the first time that they personally had migraine after attending the lecture
- ▶ Respondents with a personal history of migraine liked to treat migraine more than those without a history of migraines

Headache Classification

11 types: 3 primary and 8 secondary

Primary types (n=3)

Migraine

- Trigeminal autonomic cephalalgias

- Tension-type headache

Secondary types (n=8)

- Trauma or injury to the head / neck
- Cranial and/or cervical vascular
- Nonvascular intracranial disorder
- Substance or its withdrawal
- Infection
- Disorder of homoeostasis
- Disorder of the cranium, neck, eyes, ears, nose, sinuses, teeth, mouth, or other facial or cervical structure
- Psychiatric disorder

Hundreds of subtypes

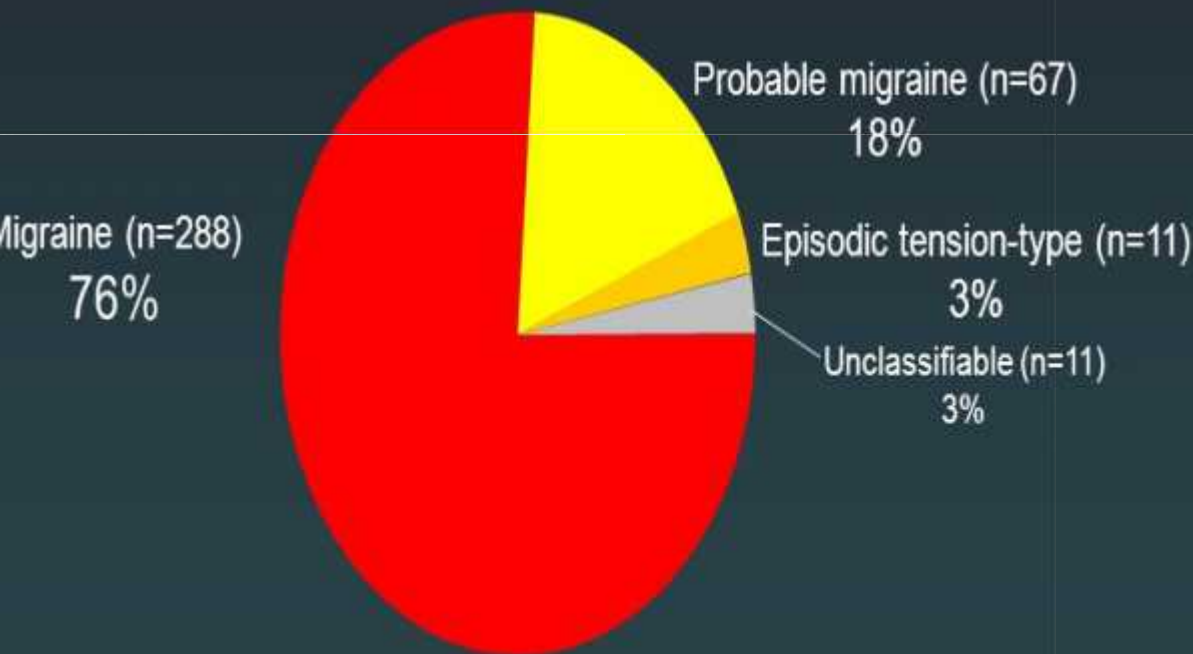
Landmark: How Likely Is it That "Headache" Is Migraine?

a prospective, open-label study of 1203 patients with episodic headache

94% (of 377 evaluable patients) had migraine or probable migraine

25% with migraine were not diagnosed by their physician

Headaches had a severe impact (HIT-6 score 64)



Adapted from Tepper SJ et al. *Headache*. 2004;44:856-864.

HIT-6™ (VERSION 11)

This questionnaire was designed to help you describe and communicate the way you feel and what you cannot do because of headaches.

To complete, please circle one answer for each question.



1 When you have headaches, how often is the pain severe?

Never Rarely Sometimes Very Often

2 How often do headaches limit your ability to do usual daily activities including work, work, school, or social activities?

Never Rarely Sometimes Very Often

3 When you have a headache, how often do you wish you could lie down?

Never Rarely Sometimes Very Often

4 In the past 4 weeks, how often have you felt too tired to do work or daily activities of your headaches?

Never Rarely Sometimes Very Often

5 In the past 4 weeks, how often have you felt fed up or irritated because of your headaches?

Never Rarely Sometimes Very Often

6 In the past 4 weeks, how often did headaches limit your ability to concentrate on daily activities?

Never Rarely Sometimes Very Often



COLUMN 1
(6 points each)

+



COLUMN 2
(8 points each)

+



COLUMN 3
(10 points each)

+



COLUMN 4
(11 points each)

+

Migraine: A Common Episodic Headache Disorder

Neurologic disorder

Strong genetic component (up to 50%)

Global prevalence in women: >10%

Women: 15%–17%

Men: 6%–9%

major subtypes

Without aura (~75%)

With aura (~25%)

Burden

Among the world's 20 most disabling diseases (WHO)

Indirectly costs employers up to \$13 billion per year

Direct medical costs exceed \$1 billion per year

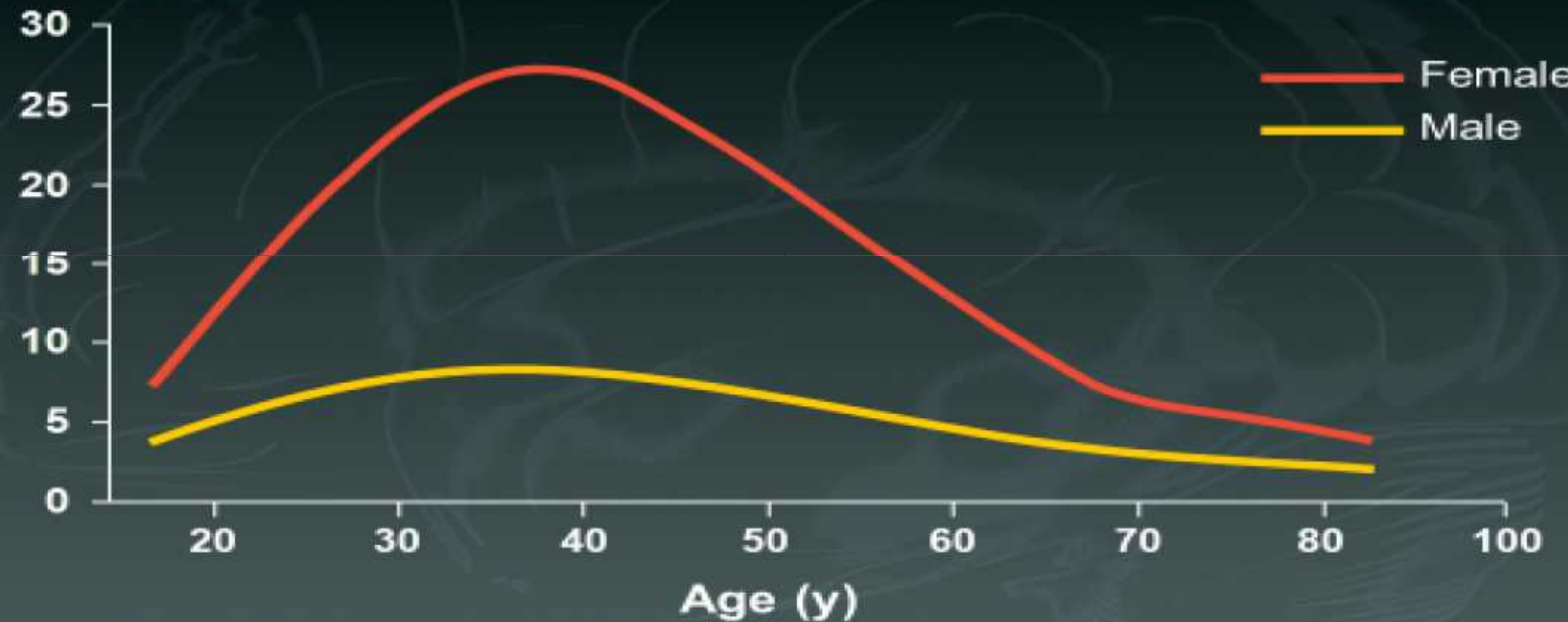
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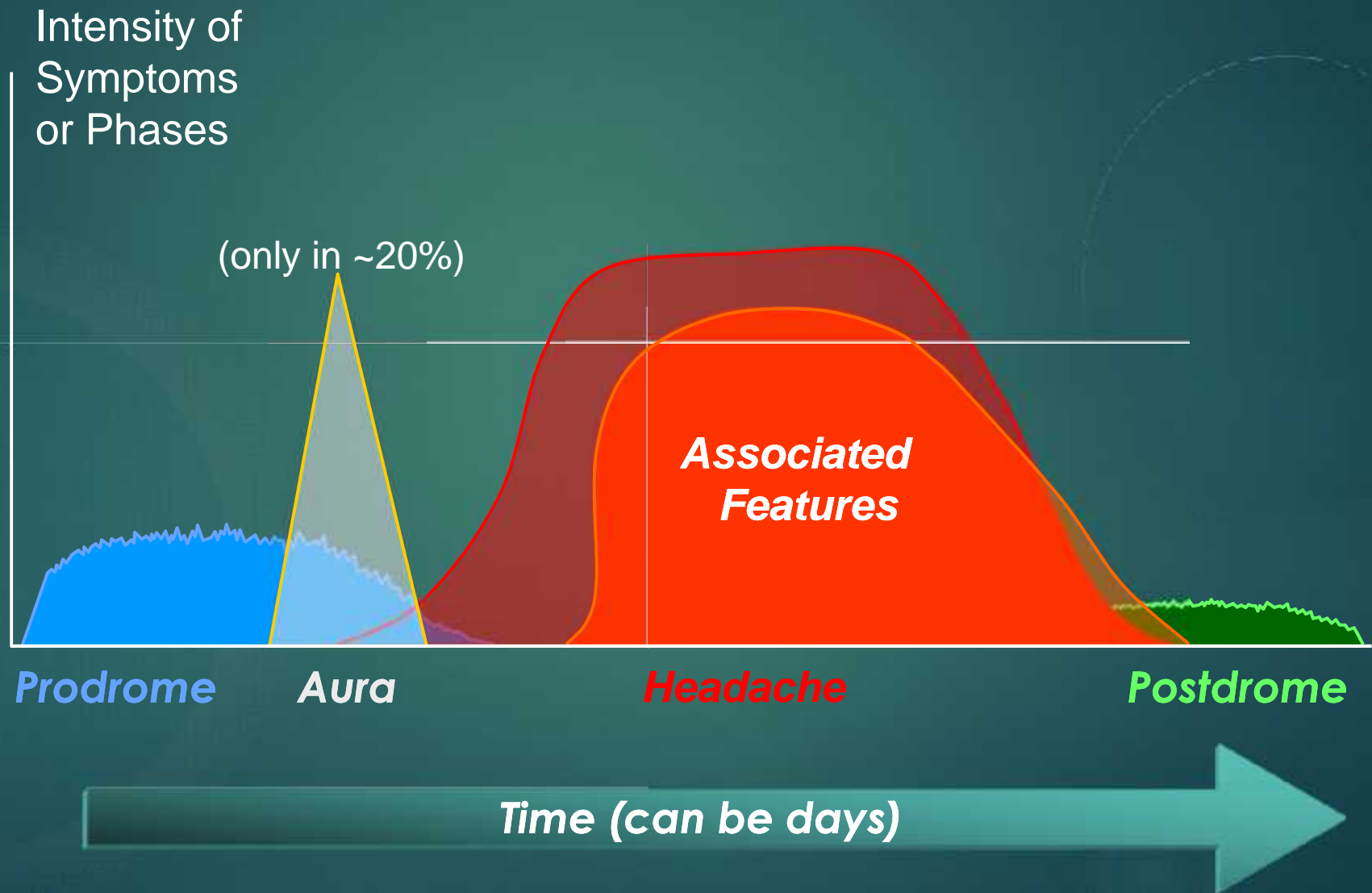
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Migraine Prevalence by Age and Gender

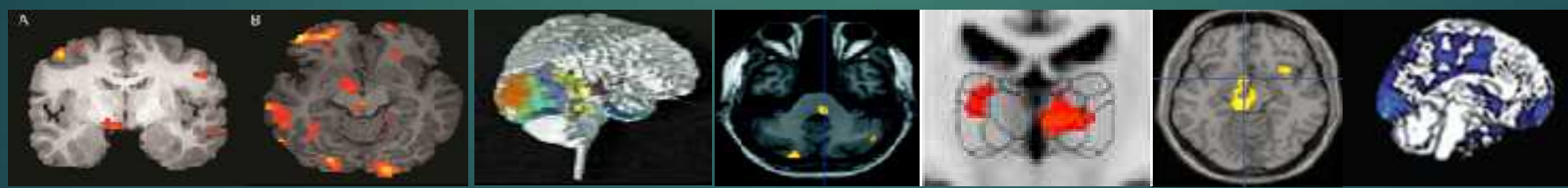
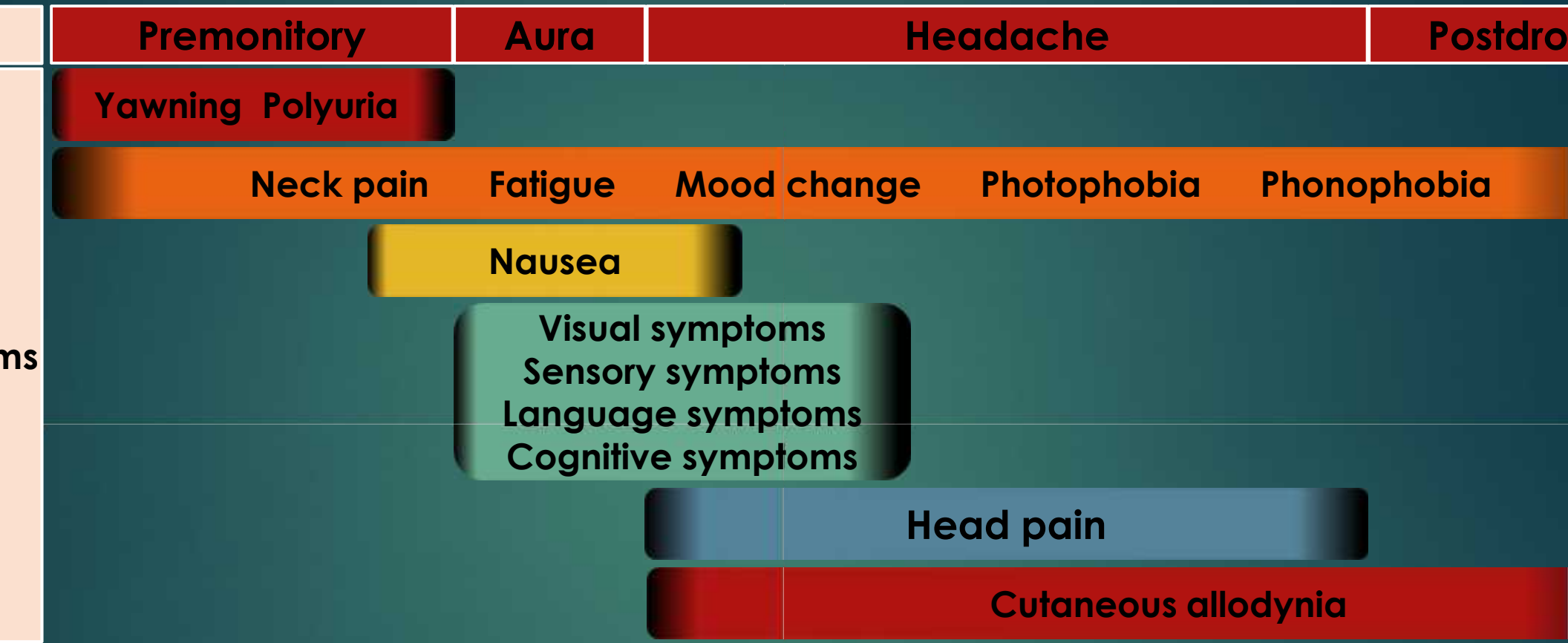


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Phases of a Migraine Attack



Anatomy of a Migraine Attack



Hypothalamus
Brainstem
Cortex

Cortex

Brainstem
Thalamus
Hypothalamus

Cortex
Thalamus
Hypothalamus



Migraine Without Aura

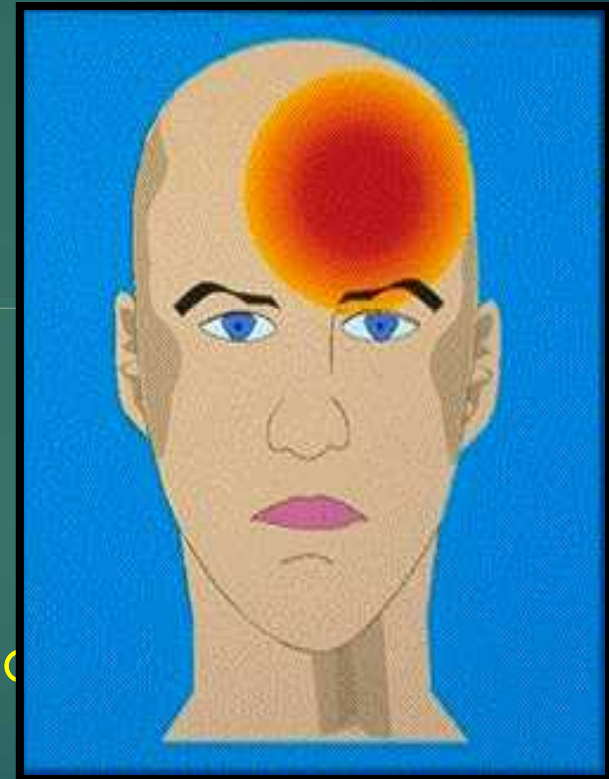
Headache has ≥ 2 of the following

- ▶ Unilateral
- ▶ Throbbing
- ▶ Moderate- Severe
- ▶ Aggravated by movement

One of the following

- ▶ Nausea
- ▶ Photo and phonophobia

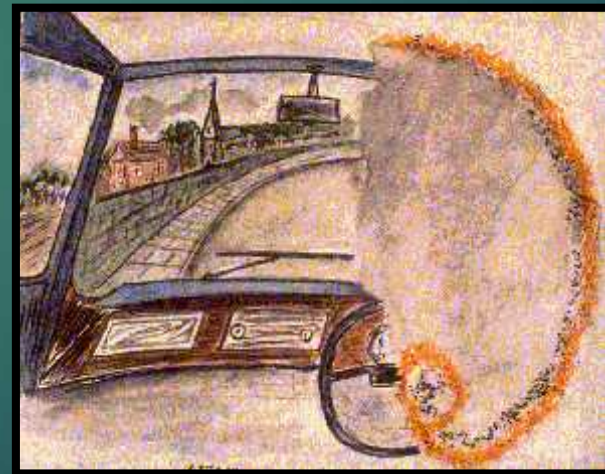
Similar pain in past and no evidence of



Migraine With Aura

Headache preceded
by ≥ 1 neurologic
symptom

- ▶ Visual
 - ▶ Scintillating scotoma
 - ▶ Fortification spectra
 - ▶ Photopsia
- ▶ Sensory
 - ▶ Numbness
 - ▶ Paresthesia
- ▶ Other
 - ▶ Weakness
 - ▶ Aphasia



PIN the diagnosis: ID™ Migraine

- Strongest predictors of migraine diagnosis
 - **Photophobia**
 - *Does light bother you when you have a headache?*
 - **Incapacity**
 - *Has a headache limited your activities for a day or more in the last 3 months?*
 - **Nausea**
 - *Are you nauseated or sick to your stomach when you have a headache?*
- 2 out of 3 symptoms: 93%
- 3 out of 3 symptoms: 98%



ICHD-3 Diagnostic Criteria:

Parameter	Migraine	Tension-type Headache
Frequency	Variable	Variable
Duration ^a	4–72 hours ^b	30 minutes–7 days
Location	Unilateral (40% bilateral)	Bilateral
Description	Pulsating (50% non-pulsating)	Pressing/tightening (non-pulsating)
Intensity	Moderate-severe	Mild-moderate
Effect of routine physical activity	Aggravated by or cause avoidance of	Not aggravated by
Nausea or vomiting	Yes	No
Photophobia or phonophobia	One or both	No more than one
Attributable	Not attributable to another disorder	Not attributable to another disorder

Untreated or unsuccessfully treated
2–72 hours in children

The Primary Cause of the Migraine Headache Lies in the Brain

Genetic predisposition in some patients

Cortical neuronal hyperexcitability and/or brainstem dysfunction

Trigger → Cortical Spreading Depression (?)

Activation & sensitization of the TGVS

Prolonged headache pain of migraine

The “vascular theory” not supported by experimental evidence
→ migraine does not start in the blood vessels

trigeminovascular system.

in D, Striessnig J. *Nat Rev Neurosci*. 2003;4:386–398; Pietrobon D. *Neuroscientist*. 2005;11:373–386.

The Trigeminovascular System Plays a Key Role in Migraine

Projections from the trigeminal ganglion:

Innervate the meninges and intracranial arteries

Converge in the trigeminocervical complex

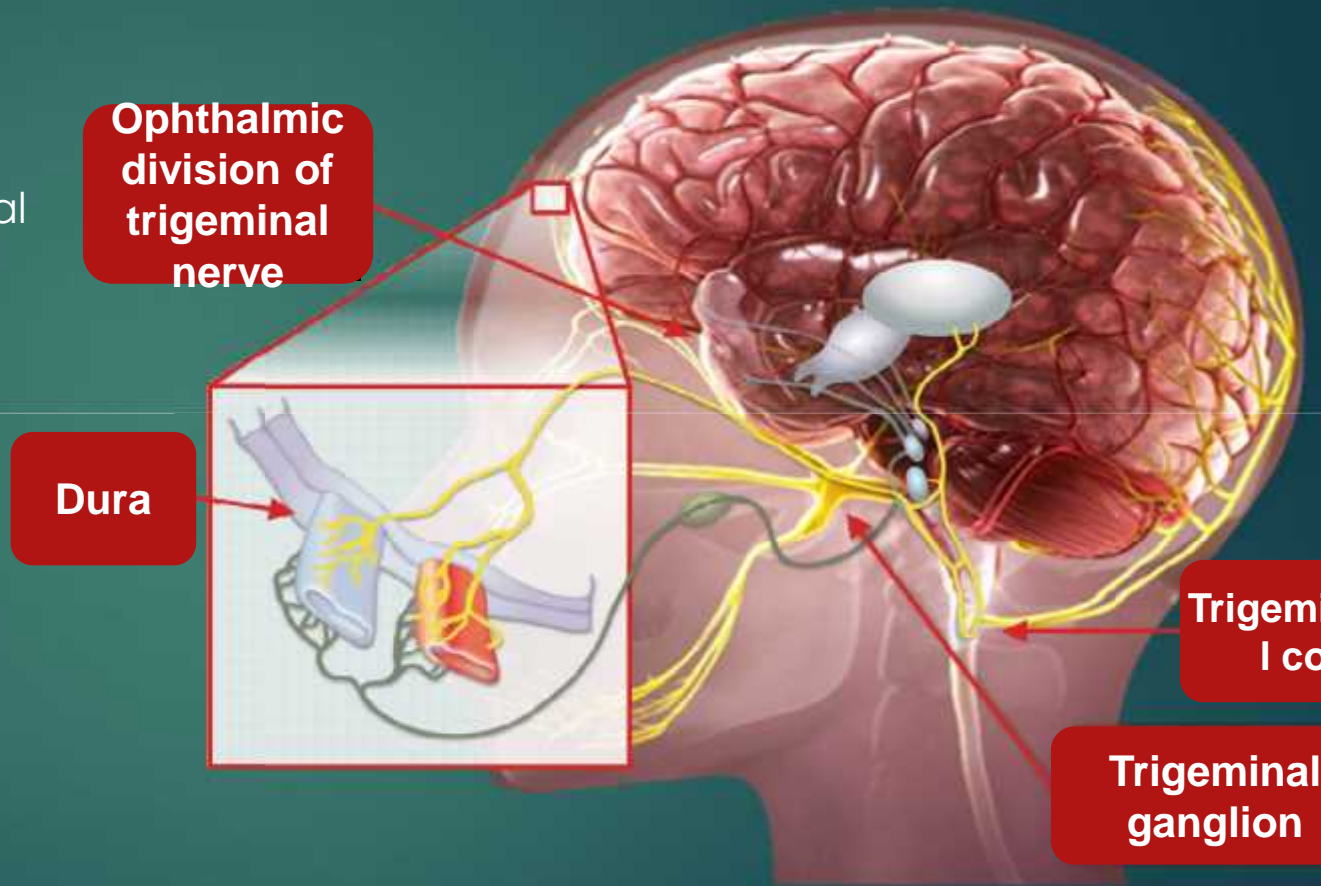
Release classical neurotransmitters and neuropeptides such as calcitonin gene-related peptide (CGRP)

In the trigeminocervical complex

Located in brain stem and upper cervical spinal cord

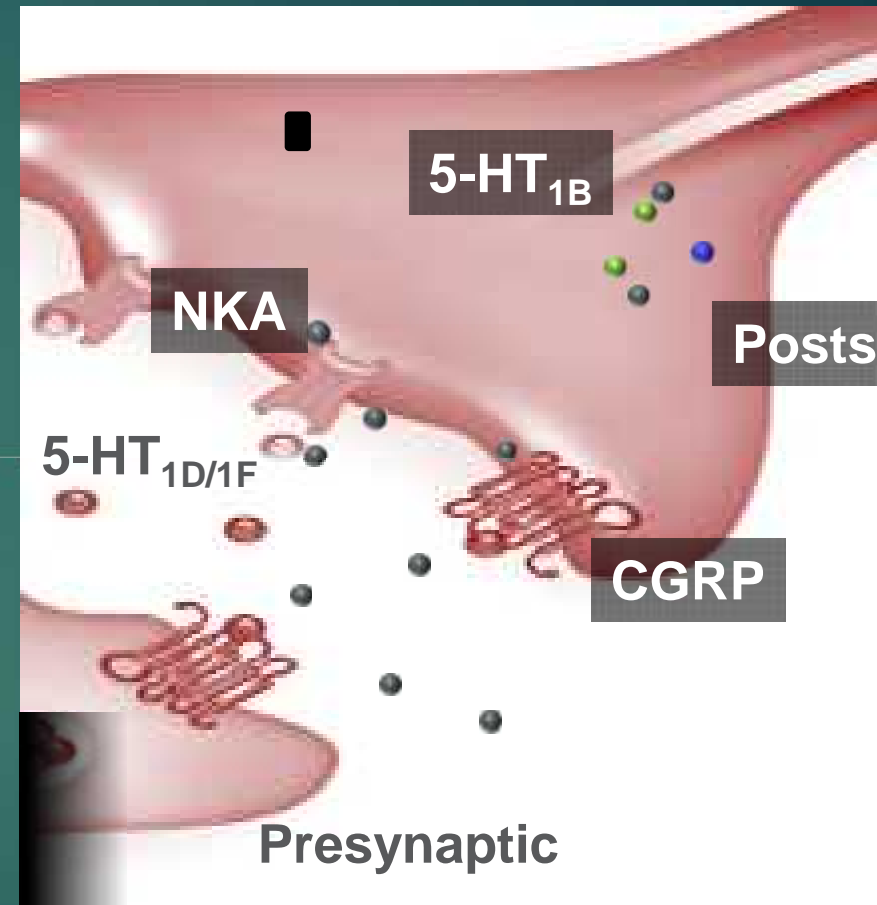
Connected to key brain centers

Activation crucial for migraine headache



Serotonin Receptors: Targets for Acute Migraine Treatment

Receptor	Location	Primary Activity
5-HT _{1D} /5-HT _{1F}	Trigeminal terminals	Inhibit CGRP release
5-HT _{1B}	Blood vessels	Vasoconstrictor
5-HT _{1F} /5-HT _{1B}	CNS	Inhibit 5-HT, NE, ACh release



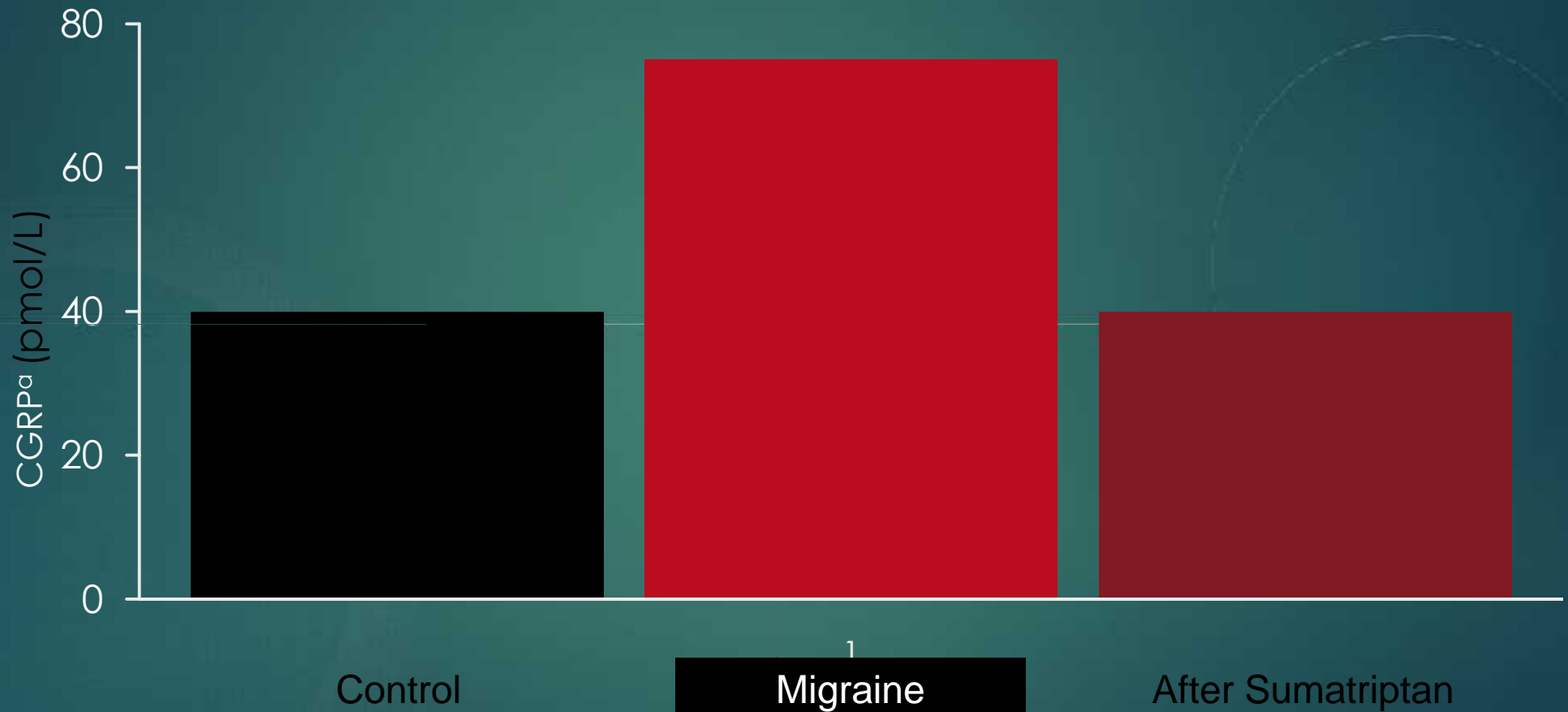
ACh, acetylcholine; CGRP, calcitonin gene-related peptide; CNS, central nervous system; HT, hydroxytryptamine (serotonin); NE, norepinephrine; NKA, neurokinin A

Neuropeptides in Migraine

Neuropeptide Gene Family	Candidate in Migraine
CGRP	CGRP
Glucagon/secretin	PACAP
F- and Y-amides	Neuropeptide Y
Tachykinins	Substance P
Tensins	Angiotensin
Corticotropin-releasing hormone-related	CRH
Adipose neuropeptides	Adiponectin
Orexin	Orexin receptor 1 (OXR1) Orexin receptor 2 (OXR2)

CGRP, calcitonin gene-related peptide; PACAP, pituitary adenylate cyclase-activating polypeptide

Plasma CGRP Levels Are Elevated During Migraine and Return After Treatment



^aMeasured from external jugular blood

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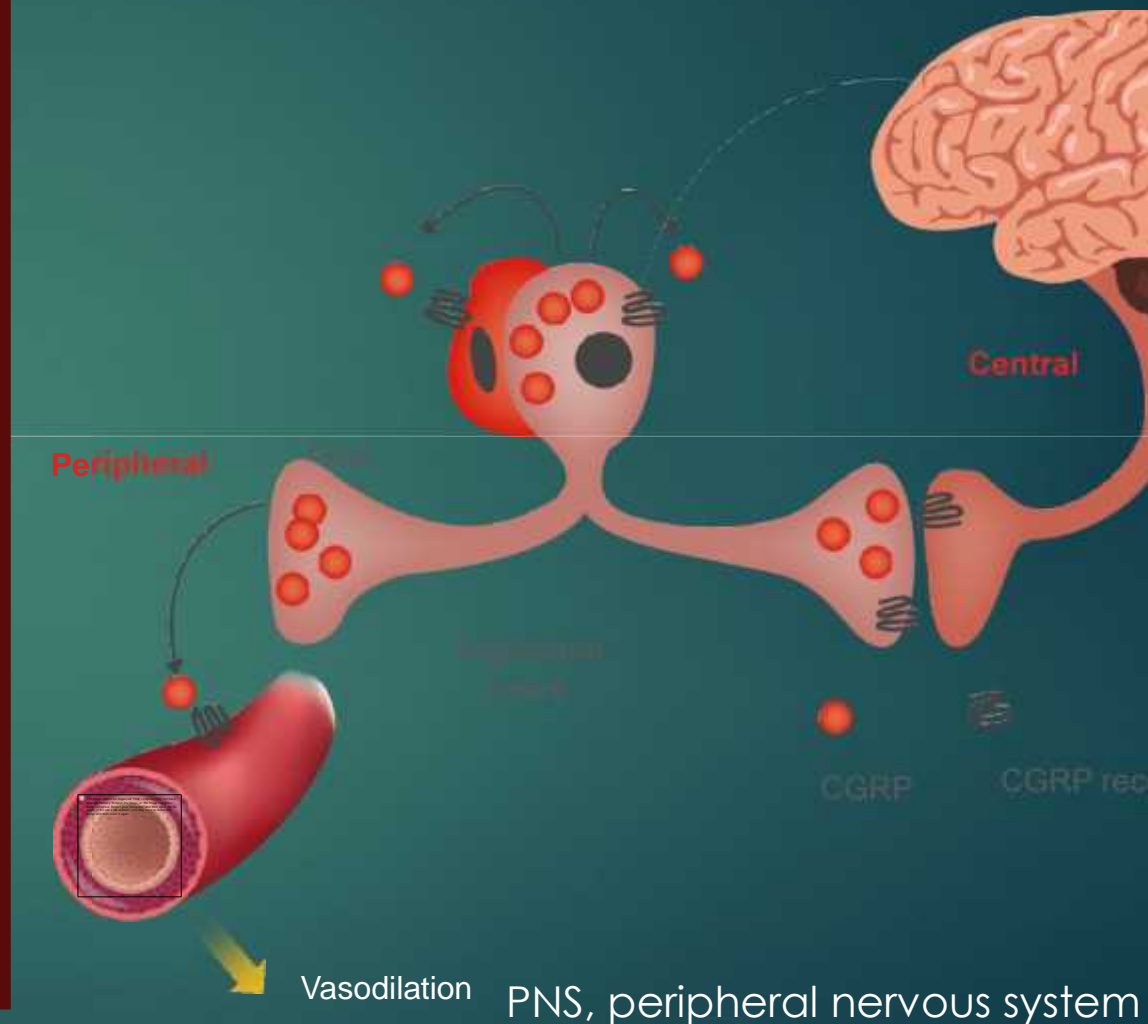
Role of CGRP in Migraine

Widely expressed in CNS and PNS;
expressed in 35–50% of neurons in the
trigeminal ganglia

- ▶ CGRP in C fibers
- ▶ CGRP receptor in A δ fibers and glial cells

Trigeminal system activated and
CGRP
released during migraine headache

CGRP plays roles in vasodilation,
inflammation, pain, and central
activation of the brain

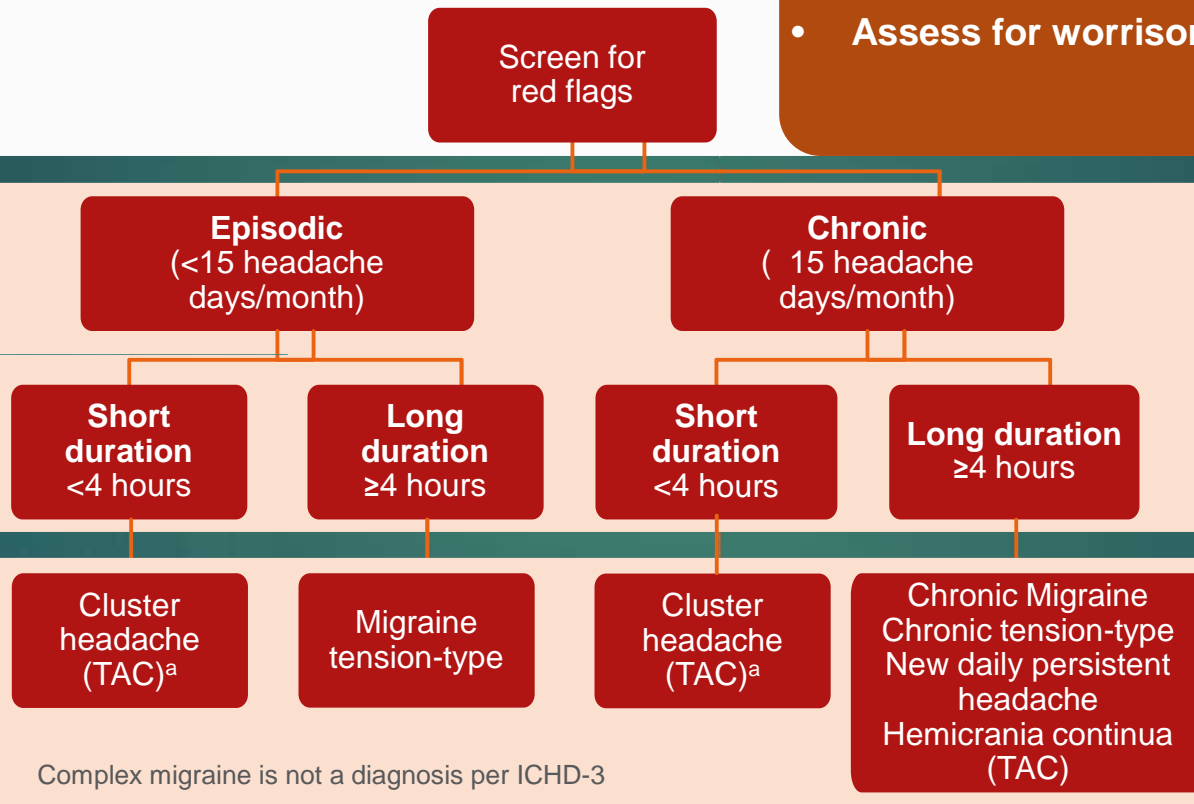


Headache History and Examination

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• Assess for worrisome signs and symptoms

Most have primary headache

Most in clinical practice have migraine

Complex migraine is not a diagnosis per ICHD-3

International Classification of Headache Disorders 3rd edition; TAC, trigeminal autonomic cephalalgia. Individual attacks are of short duration; series of cluster headaches may occur on ≥15 days per month.

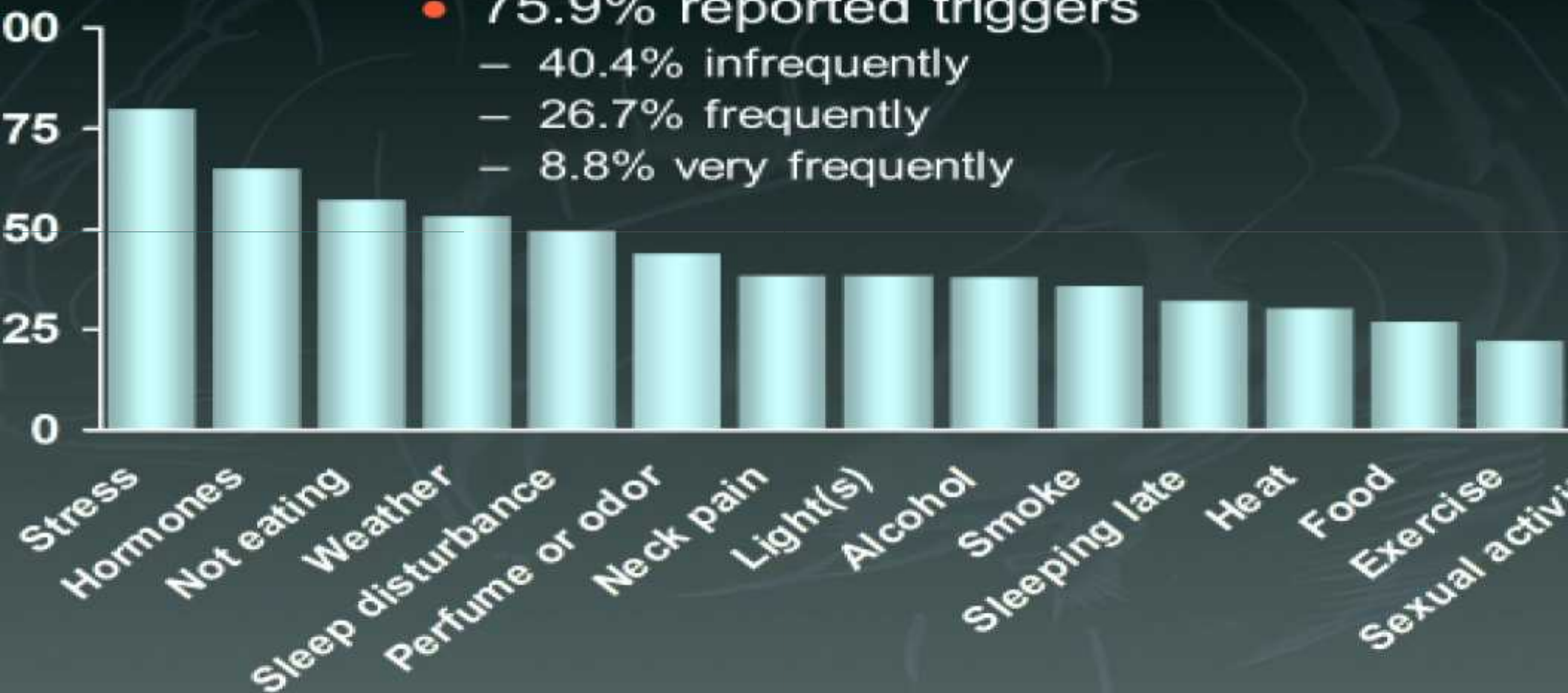
Remember 2SNOOP4 Red Flags

- **S**YSTEMIC SYMPTOMS (fever, weight loss) or
- **S**ECONDARY RISK FACTORS (HIV, systemic cancer)
- **N**EUROLOGIC SYMPTOMS or abnormal signs (confusion, impaired alertness or consciousness)
- **O**NSET: sudden, abrupt, or split-second (thunderclap)
- **O**LDER: new onset and progressive headache, especially in middle age >50 yr (giant cell arteritis)
- **P**REVIOUS HEADACHE HISTORY: first headache or different (change in frequency, severity, or clinical features), **P**OSITIONAL, **P**APILLEDEMA, or **P**RECIPITANTS (cough, Valsalva, exercise, sexual activity)



Migraine Triggers and Precipitants

- N=1,207 patients with migraine
- 75.9% reported triggers
 - 40.4% infrequently
 - 26.7% frequently
 - 8.8% very frequently



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Physical and Neurological Examinations: Patients Presenting With Headache

Vitals

Blood pressure/HR

Temperature

BMI

Head and Neck

Palpate:

Extracranial nerves

TMJs

Temporal arteries (age 60+)

Pericranial and paraspinal muscles

Paranasal sinuses

Focused Neurological Examination

Talk to patients—mental status

Cranial nerves

Fundi

Visual fields

Ocular motility

Paranasal sinuses

Facial sensation and symmetry

Palate/tongue

Reflexes

Tendon stretch reflexes

Plantar responses

Watch them walk

Discussion Points FOR Migraine Diagnoses

- ▶ Determine headache frequency:
days with headache in the last month + days without headache of any intensity
 - ▶ Discuss unaccounted for days
 - ▶ Distinguish between headache days vs attacks

Patient may have 3 attacks per month, each lasting for 7 days = **21 days**, 3 attacks

Chronic Migraine					
S	M	T	W	T	F
				X	X
X	X	X	X		
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X

Comorbidity With Migraine



a
e
tension/hypotension
aud's phenomenon



Epilepsy
Essential tumor
Restless leg syndrome
Vestibular disorders
Bell's palsy



Depression
Anxiety
Panic disorder
Bipolar disorder



Snoring/sleep apnea
Asthma/allergy
Nonheadache chronic
IBS

ritable bowel syndrome; MI, myocardial infarction; PFO, patent foramen

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CT vs MRI

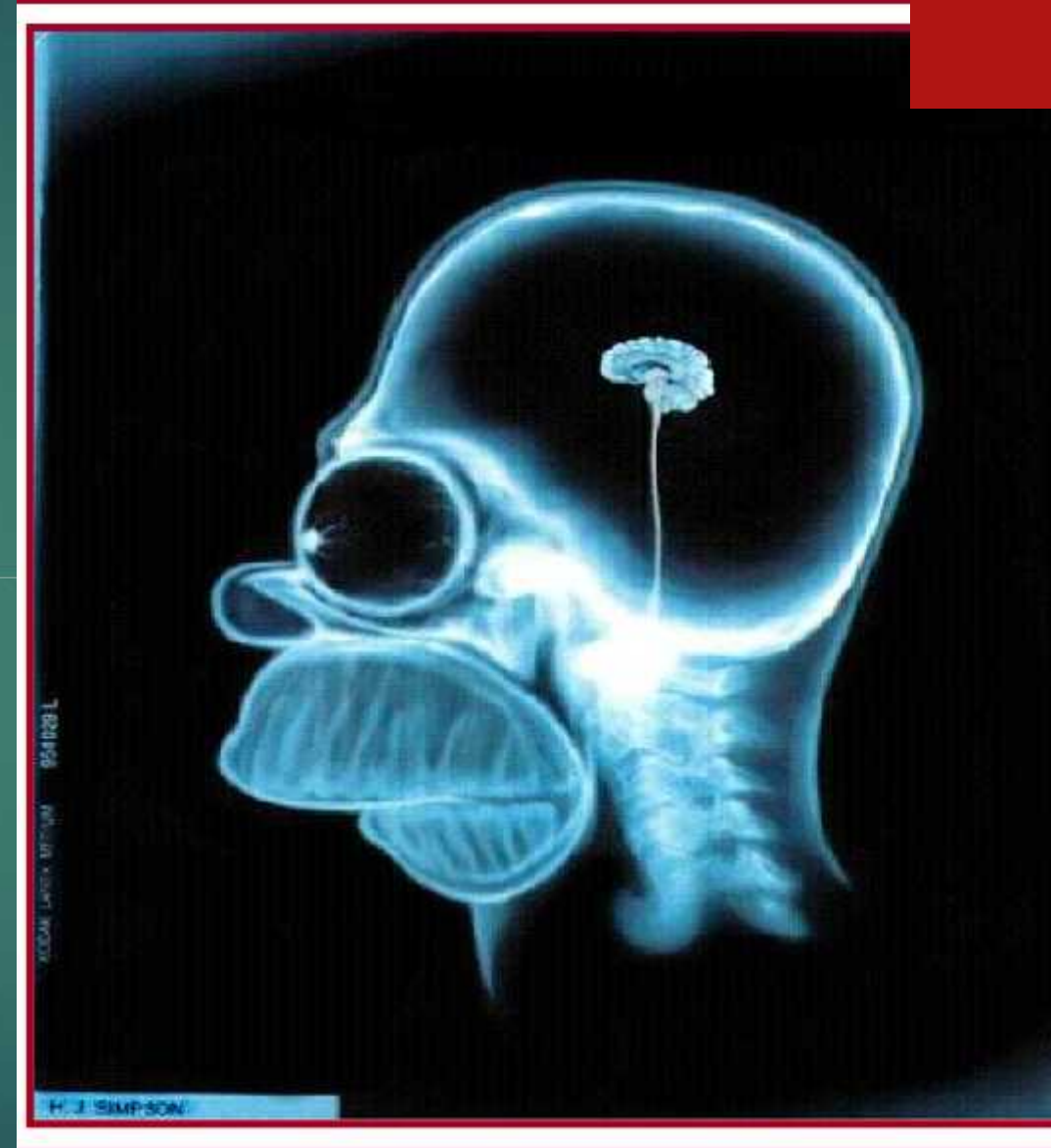
CT preferable for evaluation of acute
H, trauma, and bony abnormalities

Many disorders can be missed on CT

MRA (aneurysm, dissection, vasculitis)

MRV (thrombosis)

CT angiography (generally more
sensitive than MRA for small/medium size)



Migraine Treatment

- ▶ Patient Education:
 - ▶ Information about Disease
 - ▶ Trigger Identification
- ▶ Pharmacotherapy:
 - ▶ Acute/ Abortive
 - ▶ Preventive/ Prophylactic
- ▶ Adjunctive Treatment:
 - ▶ Physical Therapy with Massage
 - ▶ Behavioral Therapy
 - ▶ Biofeedback/ Autogenics
 - ▶ Acupuncture
- ▶ Other Modalities:
 - ▶ Occipital Nerve Blocks or Stimulators
 - ▶ Botulinum Toxin Denervation



Education Improves Self-Treatment

- ▶ **Baron, E (Cleveland Clinic)** led multi center study at Cleveland Clinic, Mayo Rochester, Mayo Arizona, Brigham and Women's, Montefiore, Jefferson and U South Florida of 207 migraine patients who use triptans.
 - ▶ Compared self –perceived vs. actual knowledge about triptans in patients who recalled receiving education and those who didn't.
 - ▶ Those who recall receiving education had better understanding about treating headaches early, treating when pain is mild and early use of prescription triptan over OTC.

Goals of Acute Treatment of Migraine

Rapid, consistent freedom from pain and associated symptoms without recurrence

Restored ability to function

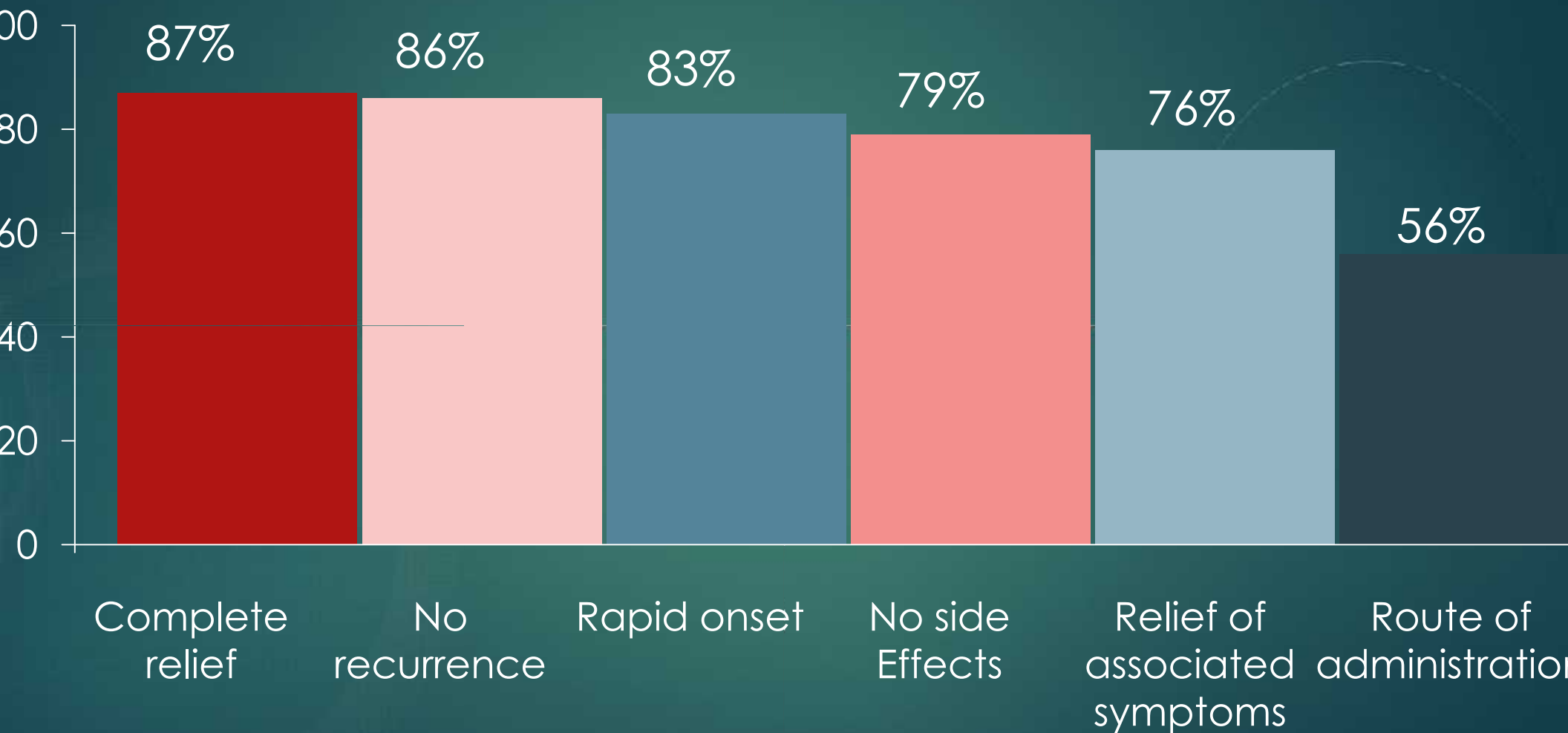
Minimal need for repeat dosing or rescue medications

Optimal self-care and reduced subsequent use of resources^a

Minimal or no AEs

^aER visits, diagnostic imaging, office visits

What Do Headache Patients Want From Acute Treatment?



N=688

Established Efficacy	Probably Effective
Ergotamines	Ergotamine and other forms of DHE
Ergotamine derivatives	IV magnesium ^a
NSAIDs: aspirin, diclofenac, ibuprofen, naproxen	NSAIDs: ketoprofen, IV and IM ketorolac, flurbiprofen
Opioids: butorphanol ^c	Isometheptene-containing compounds
Combination medications —	Combinations: codeine/acetaminophen, tramadol/acetaminophen ^b
	Antiemetics: prochlorperazine, promethazine, droperidol, chlorpromazine, metoclopramide

DHE, dihydroergotamine; IV, intravenous; IM, intramuscular; NSAID, nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug

^aConsider neuromodulation if patients prefer nondrug treatments or if drug treatment is ineffective, intolerable, or contraindicated.

^bMigraine with aura

^cNot recommended

Treatment Efficacy Within the Class

Drug Class	Primary Acute	Secondary Acute	Rescue	FDA Approved?
Simple Over-the-Counter	Yes	Yes	–	Yes
Prescription NSAIDs	Yes	Yes	Ketorolac ^a	Yes
Combination analgesics	Rarely	Rarely	Rarely	Yes
Triptans	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Dihydroergotamine	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lidocaine nasal spray	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Muscle relaxant	–	–	Yes	No
Dopamine antagonists	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Corticosteroid	–	–	Yes	No
Opioids	–	–	Rarely	No

^aNSAID, nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug

^bParenteral

Pharmacology of Oral Triptans

Agent	T _{max} (hours)	t _{1/2} (hours)
Sumatriptan	2-2.5	2.5
Rizatriptan	1-1.5	2-3
Naratriptan	2-3	6
Zolmitriptan	1.5	3
Eletriptan	1.5	4
Almotriptan	1-3	3-4
Frovatriptan	2-4	26

Acute Treatments in Practice

For patients who have contraindications, poor tolerance, or inadequate response to at least 2 oral triptans

Small Molecule
CGRP Receptor
Antagonists

Ubrogepant
Rimegepant
Zavegepant

Selective serotonin (5-HT_{1F}) receptor agonist

Lasmiditan

Neuromodulation

Transcranial magnetic stimulation
Vagus nerve stimulation
Trigeminal nerve stimulation

No constriction of blood vessels —
role in patients with cardiovascular contraindications to triptans

Neuromodulation in Migraine



Transcranial
magnetic
stimulation

Acute/Preventive



Vagus nerve
stimulation

Acute



Trigeminal nerve
stimulation

Acute/Preventive



Remote
electrical
neuromodulation

Acute

Goals of Migraine Prevention

DECREASE

- ▶ Migraine days
- ▶ Headache days
- ▶ Intensity of symptoms
- ▶ Duration of attacks
- ▶ Disability

IMPROVE

- Response to acute treatment
- Functional ability

PREVENT

- Disease Progression

Benefits Occur Over Time



General Principles of Prevention

Start with low dose and increase slowly

Allow enough time on an adequate dose (2–3 months)

Monitor medication usage

- Avoid acute medication overuse
- Limit/Eliminate interfering drugs

MORE General Principles

Evaluate preventive therapy

- Use calendar/diary
- Consider taper/discontinue if controlled at 6 months

Manage communications

- Ask about patient preference
- Discuss contraception

Optimize medication use

- Best efficacy
- Fewest AEs

Preventive Treatments for Migraine

LEVEL A — ESTABLISHED AS EFFECTIVE; SHOULD BE OFFERED

Divalproex sodium* Topiramate Metoprolol Propranolol Timolol

LEVEL B — PROBABLY EFFECTIVE; SHOULD BE CONSIDERED

Amitriptyline Nadolol Memantine
Venlafaxine Atenolol NSAIDs
Fenoprofen Ketoprofen
Ibuprofen Naproxen
Riboflavin
Magnesium
Mig 99 (feverfew)
Histamine (SQ)

LEVEL C — POSSIBLY EFFECTIVE; MAY BE OFFERED

Lisinopril Candesartan Clonidine
Carbamazepine CoQ10 Cyprohepatadine

LEVEL U — WEAK/NO EVIDENCE

Gabapentin Fluoxetine Fluvoxamine Verapamil

the NEW KIDS on the Block

Oral Gepants Comparison Chart

Drug	Indication(s)	Dosing	Renal Dosing Adjustments	Hepatic Dose Adjustments	Adverse Reactions
Rimegepant (Nurtec®)	acute treatment of migraines w/ or w/o aura	75 mg PRN for migraine (MDD: 75 mg)	CrCl ≥ 15 mL/min: No adjustment necessary	Mild to moderate impairment (Child-Pugh class A, B): No adjustment necessary	2 – 3% incidence (abdominal pain, nausea)
	prevention of episodic migraines (4 – 14 migraines per month)	75 mg QOD	CrCl < 15 mL/min or dialysis: Avoid (has not been studied)	Severe impairment: Use not recommended	<1% incidence: dizziness, skin rash, hypersensitivity reaction
Ubrogepant (Revlvy®)	acute treatment of migraines w/ or w/o aura	50 – 100 mg PRN for migraine, may repeat after 2 hours (MDD: 200 mg)	CrCl ≥ 30 mL/min: No adjustment necessary CrCl 15 – 29 mL/min: 50 mg PRN for migraine (MDD: 100 mg) CrCl < 15 mL/min: Avoid (has not been studied)	Mild to moderate impairment (Child-Pugh class A, B): No adjustment necessary. Severe impairment (Child-Pugh class C): 50 mg as single dose, may repeat after 2 hours (MDD: 100 mg)	2 – 4% incidence (nausea, xerostomia, drowsiness) <1%: hypersensitivity reactions
	prevention of episodic migraines (4 – 14 migraines per month)	10 – 60 mg once daily	CrCl ≥ 30 mL/min: No adjustment necessary CrCl < 30 mL/min: 10 mg once daily (can titrate up based on tolerance) Hemodialysis, intermittent: 10 mg once after each dialysis day	Mild to moderate impairment (Child-Pugh class A, B): No adjustment necessary Severe impairment: Use not recommended	1 – 9% incidence (nausea, constipation, decreased appetite, endocrine (weight gain), fatigue, dizziness) <1% incidence: tremor, increased serum transaminases (> 3x ULN), hypersensitivity reactions
Frovatriptan (Quilpta®)	prevention of chronic migraines (≥ 15 migraines per month)	60 mg once daily	CrCl ≥ 30 mL/min: No adjustment necessary CrCl < 30 mL/min: Avoid (has not been studied)		

Abbreviations: w/ = with, w/o = without, PRN = as needed, QOD = every other day, MDD = max daily dose, CrCl = creatinine clearance; mL = milliliter, min = minute, GI = gastrointestinal, CNS = central nervous system, ULN = upper limit of normal

the NEW KIDS ... continued

CGRP Antagonists Chart

Aimovig® (erenumab)

- **Dosing:** 70 mg - 140 mg SQ once monthly
- **Caution use with:** uncontrolled hypertension, recent cardiovascular/cerebrovascular ischemic event, underlying gastrointestinal motility disorders (i.e. chronic constipation), irritable bowel syndrome, or inflammatory bowel disease
- **Side effects:** constipation, local injection site reactions, muscle cramps/spasms, hypertension, hypersensitivity reactions (i.e. anaphylaxis, angioedema, rash), alopecia

Ajovy® (fremanezumab)

- **Dosing:** 225 mg SQ once monthly OR 675 mg SQ every 3 months
- **Caution use with:** recent cardiovascular/cerebrovascular ischemic event
- **Side effects:** local injection site reactions, hypersensitivity reactions (i.e. anaphylaxis, angioedema, rash)

Emgality® (galcanezumab)

- **Dosing:** 240 mg SQ as a single loading dose then 120 mg SQ once monthly
- **Caution use with:** recent cardiovascular/cerebrovascular ischemic event
- **Side effects:** local injection site reactions, hypersensitivity reactions (i.e. anaphylaxis, angioedema, rash)

Qulipta® (atogepant)

- **Dosing:** 10 mg, or 30 mg, or 60 mg PO once daily
- **Renal dose adjustment:**
 - CrCl < 30 mL/min: start with 10 mg PO daily
 - End stage renal disease on dialysis: 10 mg once after dialysis administration
- **Hepatic dose adjustment:** Severe impairment (Child-Pugh Class C): Avoid use
- **Caution use with:** recent cardiovascular/cerebrovascular ischemic event, severe hepatic impairment
- **Side effects:** nausea, constipation, decrease appetite, weight loss, drowsiness, dizziness, fatigue, hypersensitivity reactions (i.e. anaphylaxis, rash), and elevated serum transaminases

Nurtec® (rimegepant)

- **Dosing:** 75 mg PO every other day (preventative dosing)
- **Renal dose adjustment:**
 - CrCl < 15 mL/min: avoid use (has not been studied)
 - End stage renal disease on dialysis: avoid use (has not been studied)
- **Hepatic dose adjustment:** Severe impairment (Child-Pugh Class C): Avoid use
- **Caution use with:** recent cardiovascular/cerebrovascular ischemic event, severe hepatic impairment, severe renal impairment
- **Side effects:** abdominal pain, dyspepsia, nausea, dyspnea, hypersensitivity reaction (i.e. anaphylaxis, rash)

Vyepti® (eptinezumab)

- **Dosing:** 100 mg IV once every 3 months; increase to 300 mg IV once every 3 months
- **Caution use with:** recent cardiovascular/cerebrovascular ischemic event
- **Side effects:** nasopharyngitis, nausea, hypersensitivity reactions (i.e. anaphylaxis, angioedema)

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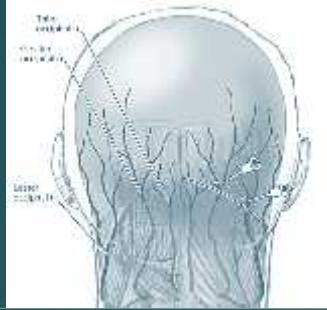
Headache Procedures

Nerve blocks: 25-30 gauge needle

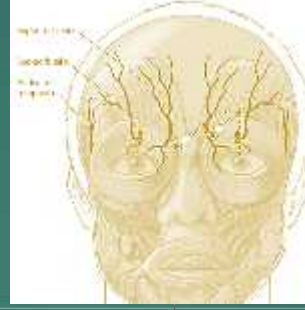
Local anesthetic: 1-2% lidocaine and/or bupivacaine 0.25-0.5%; 1:1 volume ratio

For cluster, add 40 mg triamcinolone, 20-40 mg methylprednisolone, or dexamethasone 4 mg

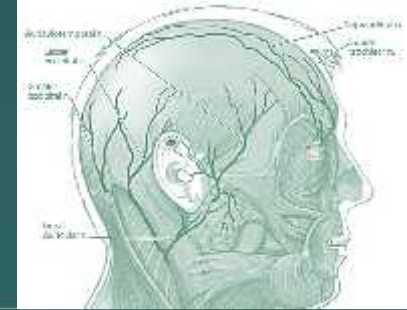
Greater/Lesser Occipital



Supratrochelar/Supraorbital



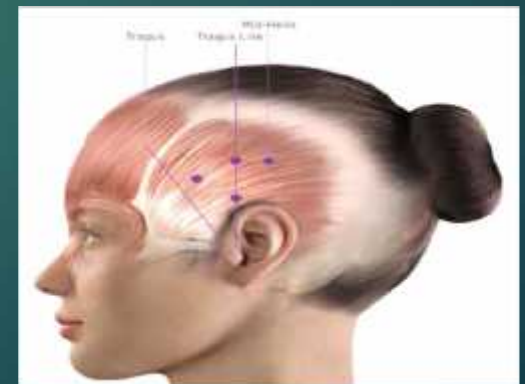
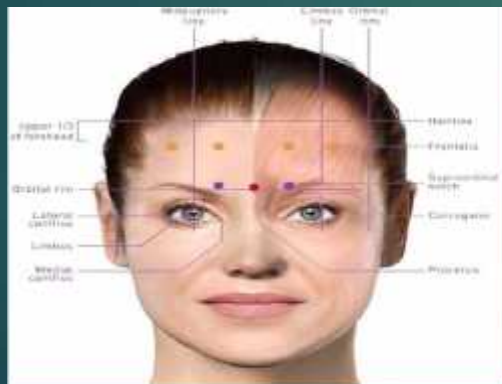
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BotulinumtoxinA: 30-gauge needle with 1 cc tuberculin syringe

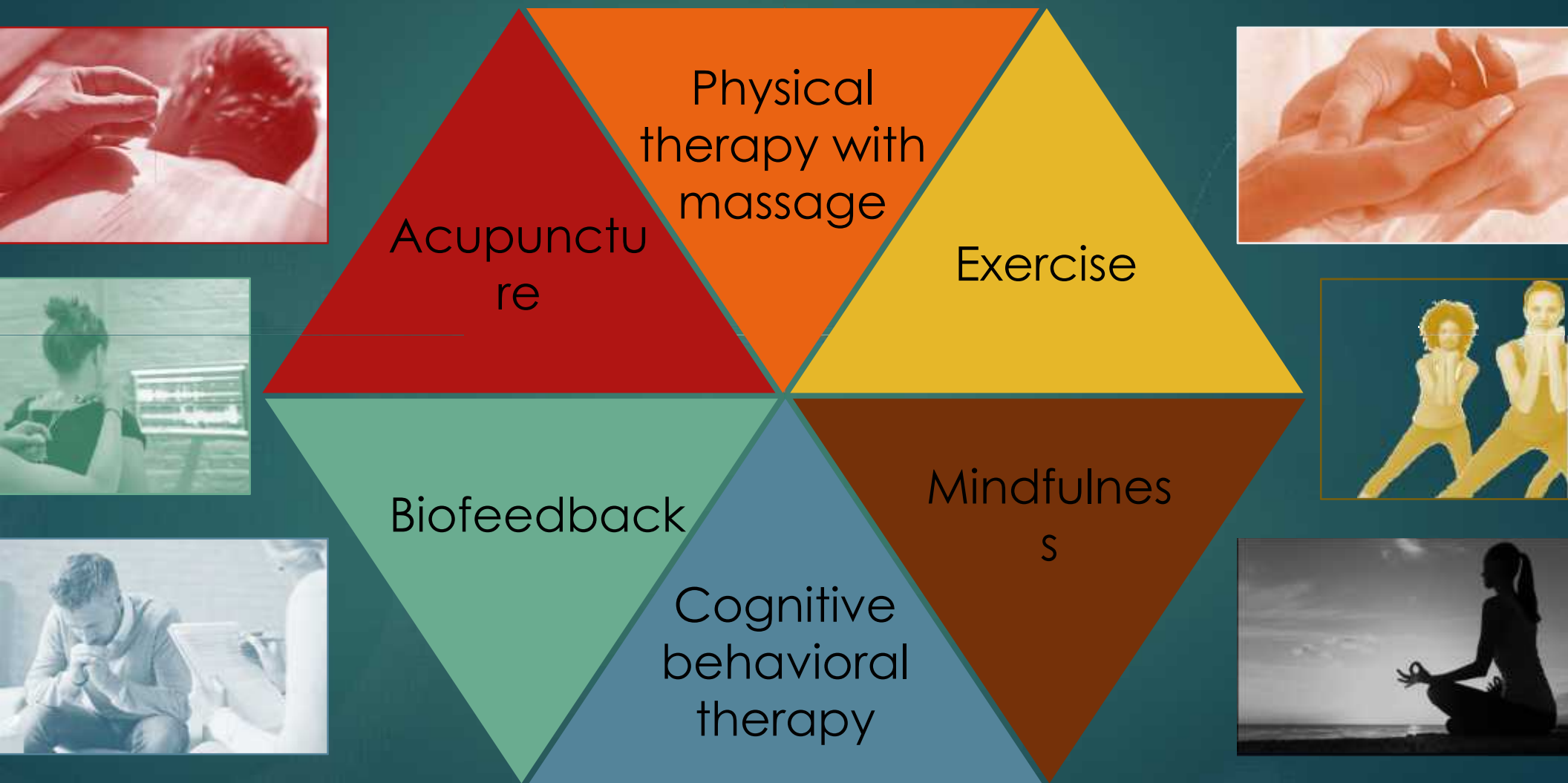
Dilution: 50 unit (1 ml normal saline); 100 unit (2 ml NS); 200 unit (4 ml NS)

Fixed-Site Fixed-Dose



Blumenfeld A et al. *Headache* 2013;53:437-46; Blumenfeld A et al. *Headache*. 2017;57:766-77.

Complementary/ Alternative Treatments



Biobehavioral Treatments

Prevent Headache Attacks

Reduce Perceived Pain Level

Shift the Pain-Disability Curve



Red
Pain
Disa



AHS Consensus Statement

The American Headache Society Position Statement On Integrating New Migraine Treatments Into Clinical Practice

Use is approved when ALL of the following are met:

- A. Prescribed by a licensed medical provider
- B. Patient is ≥ 18 years of age
- C. ICHD-3 migraine (4-14 monthly headache days)
AND:
 - a. Poor tolerability or inadequate response to a 6-week trial of ≥ 2 preventive treatments
 - b. At least moderate disability
 - c. ≥ 2 quarterly injections of onabotulinumtoxinA^a

Indications for Initiating Treatment With Monoclonal Antibodies to CGRP or its Receptor

Recommended Preventive Treatments^b

1. Topiramate
2. Divalproex sodium/valproate sodium^c
3. Beta-blocker
4. Tricyclic antidepressant
5. Serotonin-norepinephrine reuptake inhibitor
6. Other treatments with established efficacy

CGRP, calcitonin gene-related peptide; AAN-AHS, American Academy of Neurology-American Headache Society

^aChronic migraine only

^bAccording to AAN-AHS guideline

^cNot for use in women of childbearing potential



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