Internal Carotid Artery Aneurysm

İnternal Karotis Arter Anevrizması

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A 65-year-old woman presented with dizziness and a mass causing pain in the left side of the neck. Physical examination revealed the presence of a pulsatile mass in the painful region. A computerized tomography angiogram identified a saccular aneurysm measuring 5.4 x 3.2 cm in the left internal carotid artery (ICA) without thrombus (Figure 1). Extracranial internal carotid artery aneurysm is defined as the dilatation of the ICA covering over 50% of its diameter and has a rare occurrence⁽¹⁾. Carotid artery aneurysms account for less than 1% of all the peripheral arterial aneurysms⁽²⁾. Although carotid artery aneurysms are rarely observed, their possibility should be considered in addition to glomus tumors in patients presenting with swelling in the neck.





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Figure 1.

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