Clinical Approach to Vascular Ultrasound and RPVI Review



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Cases in Carotid Disease Disclosures

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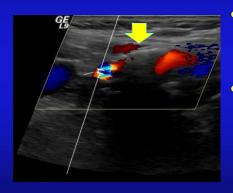


Cases in Carotid Disease Introduction

- Carotid disease: Stroke prevention
- Mechanism of stroke: >95% emboli
- Stroke prevention: Rx carotid plaque
- Carotid intervention: CEA, CAS
- Imaging is paramount to determine disease diagnosis and clinical parameters
- Provides Treatment Options

- Patient cases selected to understand the anatomic correlation with the clinical presentation
- Understanding the clinical scenario is helpful to undertaking the Carotid Duplex
- Paramount to undertaking the interpretation of the Duplex findings and the medical implications

Cases in Carotid Disease Carotid Duplex

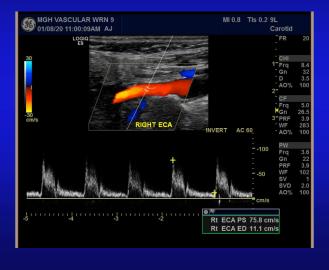


- Be gentle with pressure on the neck (carotid emboli = stroke)
- Acoustic shadowing of calcium in the neck: try different angles to "see around the calcium"

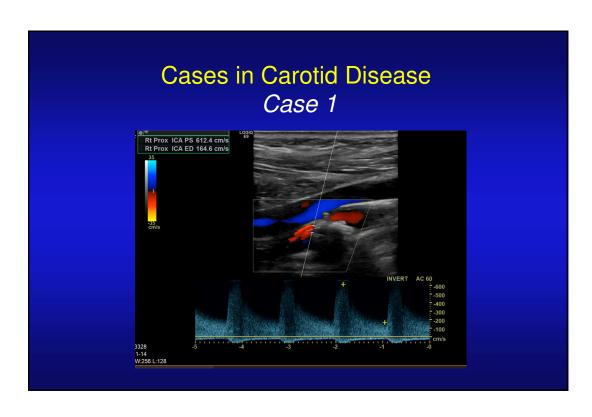
- 55 yo R-handed DM, hypertension, smoker
- Developed 5 minute episode of L hand clumsiness and disorientation
- Exam BP 136/88 mm Hg, AP regular 88
- Symmetric, non-focal neuro-exam

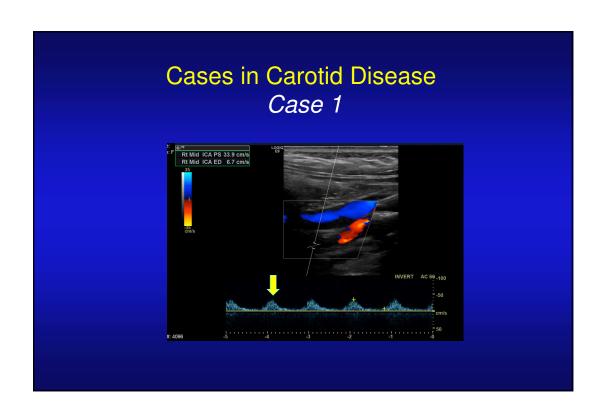


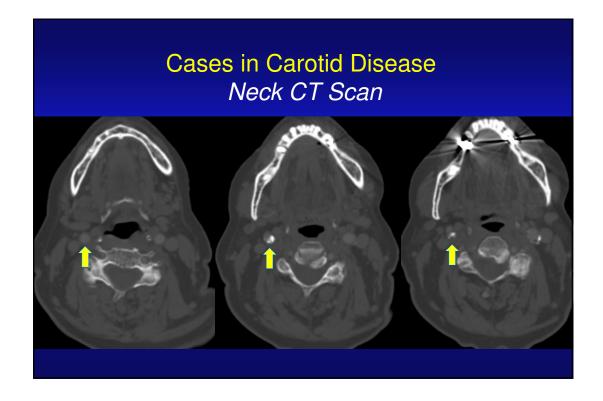












INDICATIONS / NOTES:
carotid stenosis

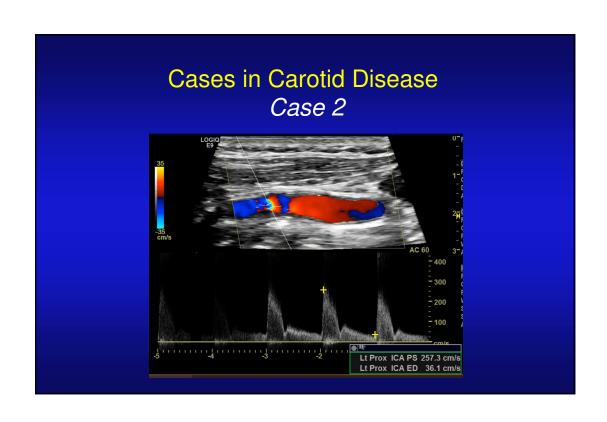
TECHNICOS:
A duplex ultrasound evaluation of the common
carotid, internal carotid, external carotid,
vertebral, and proximal subclavian arteries was
performed using gray scale, color duplex and
spectral Doppler analysis.

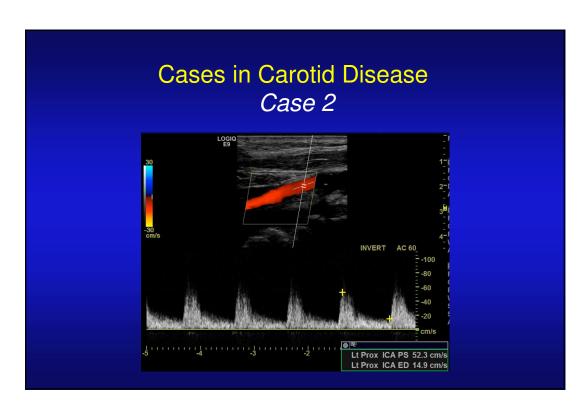
RIGHE
CCA (cm/s):
Froximal Systolic 65 Proximal Diastolic 9
Mid Systolic 55 Mid Diastolic 10
Distal Systolic 36 Distal Diastolic 7
ICA (m/s):
Textual Systolic 36 Proximal Diastolic 236
Mid Systolic 35 Distal Diastolic 236
Mid Systolic 35 Distal Diastolic 12
ECA (cm/s):
Systolic 79 Diastolic 11
ICA/CCA Ratio:
Systolic 71.5
ICA STENOSIS: V. Sewere 90-998
PLACUE: Reterogeneous calcified

- TIA, no stroke on MRI
- R carotid endarterectomy



- 80 yo R-handed former smoker, CAD
- Developed several episodes of difficulty of speaking, no other sxs
- Exam BP 112/60 mm Hg, AP 55
- Symmetric, non-focal neuro-exam





Cases in Carotid Disease Exercise Related Leg Pain (ERLP)

LEFT
CCA (cm/s):
Proximal Systolic 95 Proximal Diastolic 16
Mid Systolic 78 Mid Diastolic 11
Distal Systolic 89 Distal Diastolic 18

ICA (cm/s):
Proximal Systolic 265 Proximal Diastolic 40
Mid Systolic 110 Mid Diastolic 18
Distal Systolic 63 Distal Diastolic 16

ECA (cm/s):
Systolic 268 Diastolic 12

ICA/CCA Ratio:
Systolic 2.9

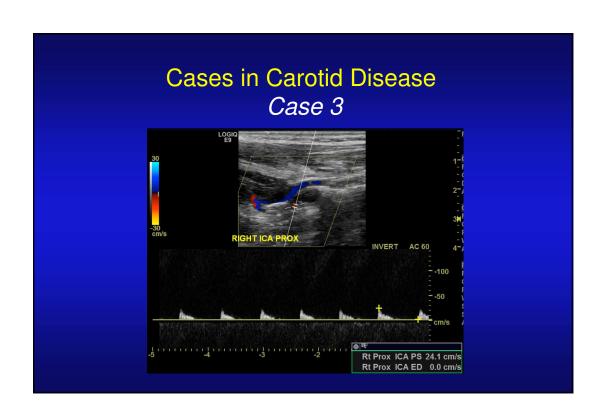
ICA STENOSIS: Severe 70-89%

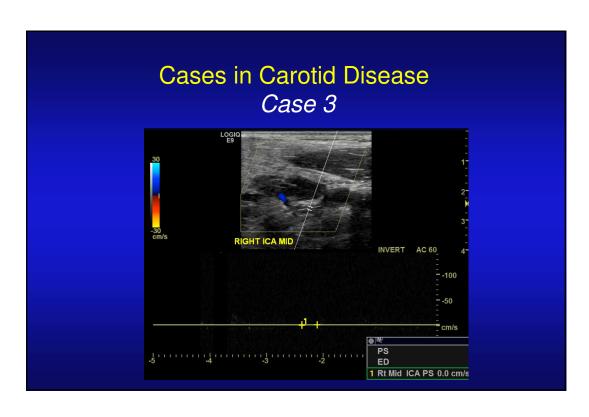
- CT scan, moderate stenosis
- MRI no acute stroke
- Sx Carotid and L CEA

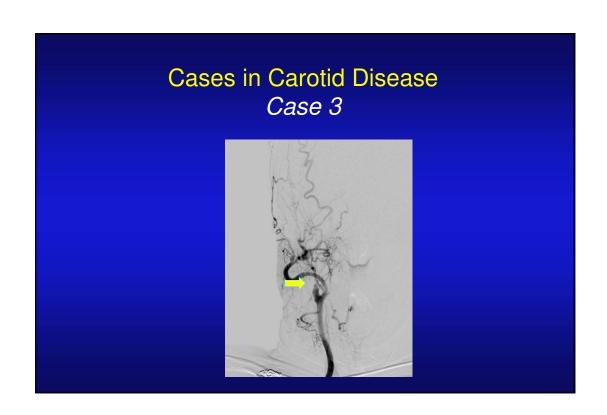


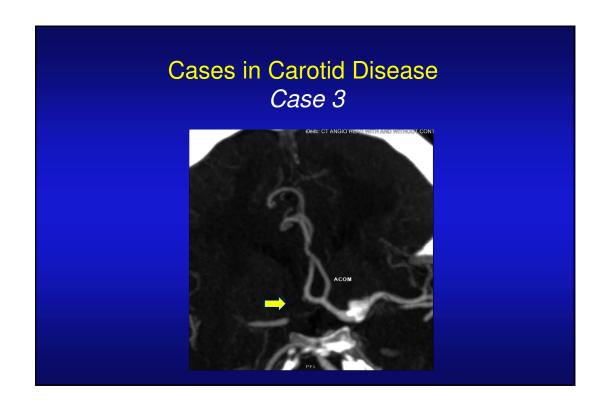
- 66 yo L-handed Hypertensive, never smoker
- L ear pulsatile tinnitus, occ dizziness
- Exam BP 110/70 mm Hg, AP 85
- L Carotid bruit with good upstrokes bilaterally
- Symmetric, non-focal neuro-exam

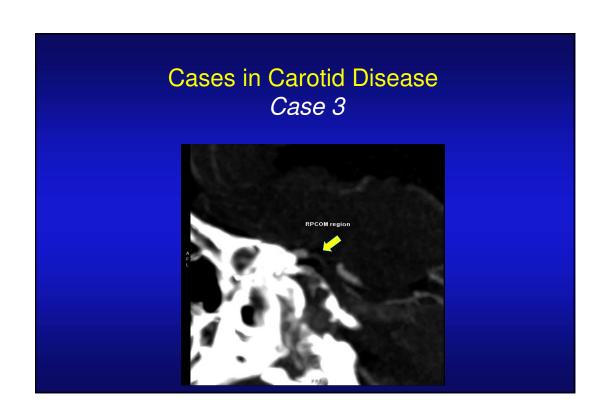
Cases in Carotid Disease Case 3 RIGHT-CCA DIST RIDIST CCA PS 88.7 cm/s Rt Dist CCA ED 9.5 cm/s

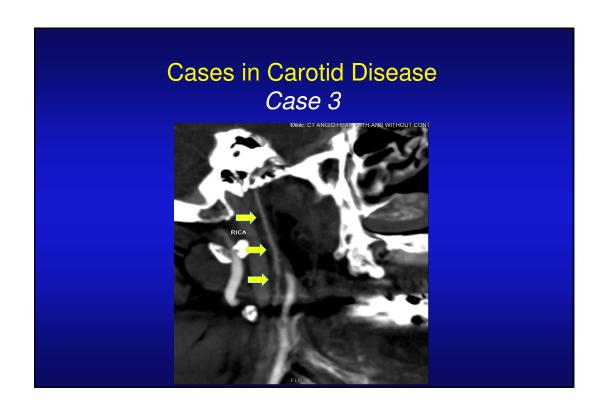






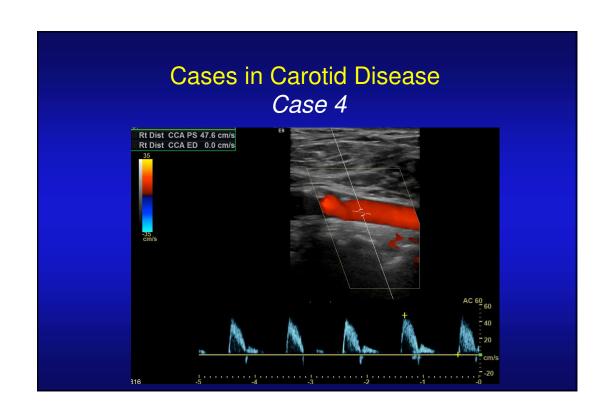


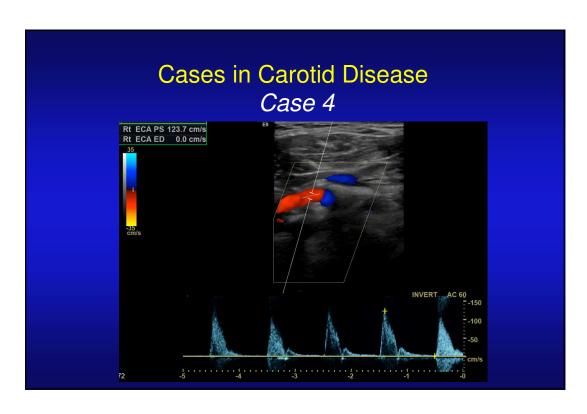




- Thought to be recanalized occluded carotid artery.
- Asx "string sign" on the CTA
- Adjusted BP regimen, treated medically

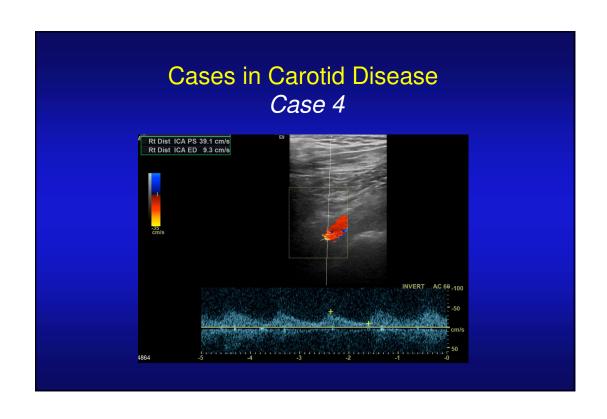
- 78 yo R-handed DM female, smoker hypertension, s/p MI, CHF
- Developed vertigo and light-headed
- Exam BP 166/98 mm Hg, AP 78
- Normal exam with mild CHF

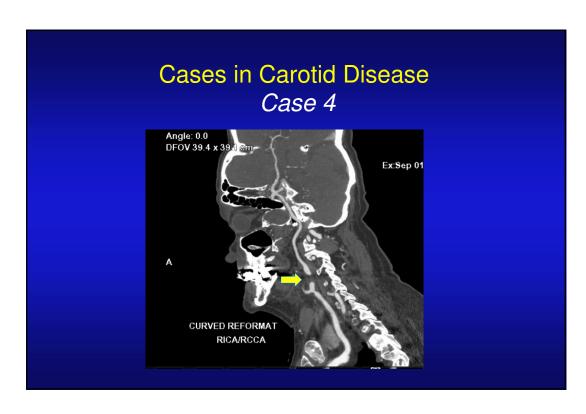








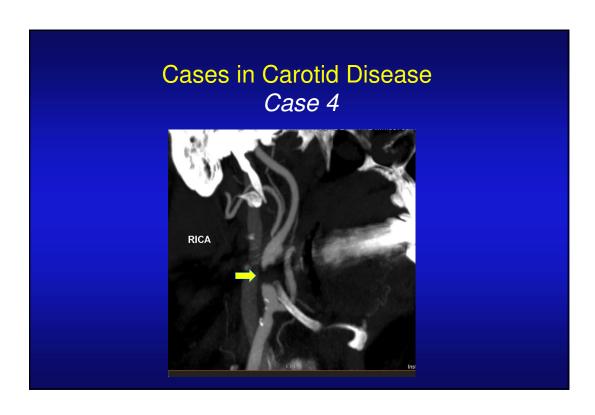














- The ICA is occluded proximally
- There is little chance of emboli for retrograde flow
- Zio patch identified light-headedness correlated with A Fib and patient treated with amiodarone with resolution

Cases in Carotid Disease Conclusion

- Demonstration of Carotid cases that the Carotid Duplex execution and interpretation were very important to the diagnosis and treatment selection of the patients.
- Understand that the axial imaging is confirmation and supplemental for proper therapeutic selection

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