103. Vertigo in Posttraumatic Syndrome

(The second report)

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Most of the patients who sustained minor or severe injuries to the head complained of vertigo, which might cause the disturbances of central nervous system, vestibular disfunction and automatic nervous unbalance.

The patients with complaint of Vertigo after head injuries were observed in the investigations of vestibular function comparing with C.A.G., E.E.G. and cerebrospinal fluid findings.

The materials for this studies were the patients with vertigo and normal adults.

The findings of E.E.G., vestibular disfunction and cerebrospinal fluid did not always agree.

104. Relation of the Vertigo or Dizziness to the Audiogram Pattern after Cerebral Concussion or Contusion

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We have studied the classification of the post-traumatic audiogram into normal, peripheral (cochlear) and central patterns, except for conduction deafness.

We can demonstrate 3 cases with the interesting relationship between those patterns and the findings of vestibular function test in Fig. 1, 2, and 3. It seems that these cases may suggest the correlation of the central auditory disturbance and the central vestibular disfunction.

We had 343 consecutive cases after head injury with no evidence of direct labyrinthine destruction or disease. Relation of audiometric findings of these 343 cases to their complaints about vertigo and/or dizziness is represented in Table 1. The coefficient of the correlation between the

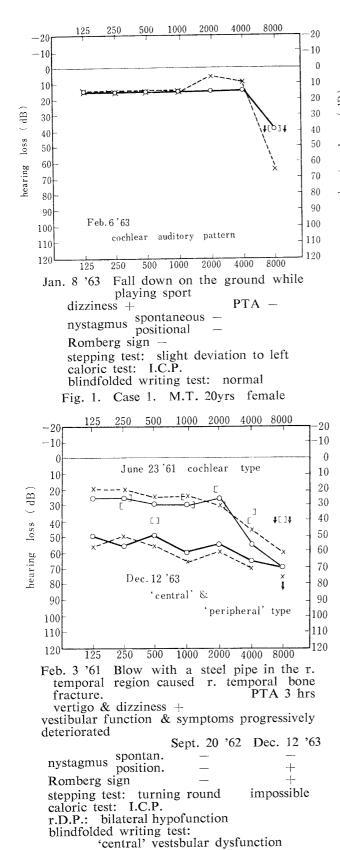


Fig. 3. Case 3. T.N. 43 yrs male

2000 4000 8000 1000 -20-20-10 -100 0 10 10 20 20 30 30 40 40 loss 50 50 60 60 70 70 80 80 90 90 Sept. 25 '63 100 100 'central' auditory pattern 110 110 120 250 500 1000 2000 4000 8000 120

Nov. 20 '62 While driving a bus, fell over a cliff Sept. '63 dizziness & vertigo PTA 7 days Dec. '63 epileptic attacks

nystagmus spontan. — position. —

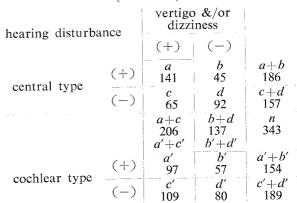
Romberg sign -

stepping test: normal

caloric test: marked hypofunction in both ears March '64 no complaint

Fig. 2. Case 2. S.H. 29 yrs male

Table 1. The Correlation of 'Central' Auditory
Disturbance and Vertigo &/or Dizziness
(1961–1963)



Coefficient of Correlation

$$r = \frac{ad - bc}{\sqrt{(a+b)(c+d)(a+c)(b+d)}} = +0.349$$

$$central$$

$$m_r = \frac{1 - r^2}{\sqrt{n}} = +0.047$$

$$r' = +0.053 \qquad m_{r'} = +0.053$$
Significance cochlear
$$\frac{r - r'}{\sqrt{m_r^2 + m_{r'}^2}} = 4.0$$

"central" auditory pattern and vertigo and/or dizziness is statistically significant, and so it may be that vertigo and dizziness with central auditory distarbance in patients with head injury is suggestive of central nervous system lesions.

105. Fine Structure of the End Plate of the Motor Nerve and Cholinesterase Activity in the Muscle of the Progressive Muscular Dystrophy

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Sample of the muscle was obtained from the triceps cruris in the patient and it was stained with Seto's silver impregnation method and was examined with the electron microscope. The cholinesterase activity was also demonstrated by the thioacetic acid as substrate.

In this disease, with the light microscope, the terminal branch of the motor nerve was recognized to enter into the end plate of the motor nerve without showing myelin sheath. The Schwann cells accompanied to the myelin sheath show a loss of the nucleoli, disappearance of the perinucleolar clear yard and their structure becomes indistinct. The structure of the end plate of the motor nerve becomes indistinct in advanced cases, and finally the morphology of the end plate becomes impossible to recognize.

In many cases, then, the most of the terminal branch are recognized to disappear in the end plate as a large vague axon. The nuclei of more than several numbers consisting of the end plate of the motor nerve are usually distributed in a round or elliptical form, but these structures become indistinct in the disease.

On the electron microscope, round and elliptical vacuoles and mitochondria distribute in the cytoplasm. The finding Reger called tubular agranuler reticulum was recognized in the cytoplasm. The vesicles were recognized around the tubular agranular reticulum, reactive precipitates were present.

In the axolemma the synaptic vesicles were present densely. As suggested by De Robertis, it was proved that the vesicle transferred to sole-plasm through the axolemma, synaptic cleft and sarcolemma. The junctional fold generally tend to be swollen or enlarged, and the tips of some junctional fold are markedly swollen, vacuolated and further destroyed.