Tandem Overstacked Clipping for Giant Carotid Ophthalmic Aneurysm: 3-Dimensional Operative Video

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We present a 3-dimensional microsurgical video of a right giant carotid ophthalmic aneurysm operated using the tandem overstacked clipping technique. Microsurgical clipping of paraclinoid aneurysms presents unique technical challenges because of the anatomic complexity of the paraclinoid region.[1-3]

This case is a 55-year-old female patient with headaches and visual deficit. The patient provided consent to use the images and surgical video.

In the angiography, a right giant carotid ophthalmic aneurysm was observed.

Once the aneurysm is occluded by 3 clips, the dome is dissected 360° from the surrounding structures. To achieve greater reinforcement, 2 definitive clips are placed on the previous ones following the stacking line, providing an additive occlusion at the base of the aneurysm.

The patient evolved without any neurological deficit after the surgery, and the postoperative angiogram showed a complete aneurysm occlusion.

Another treatment option for these cases is flow diversion with adjunctive coiling. Surgical treatment of paraclinoid aneurysms is an excellent option with good postoperative results and low complication rates, particularly in hospitals with experience in the microsurgical resolution of aneurysms.[1-4]

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