

**EMERGING TRENDS IN BRAIN TRAUMA RESEARCH: ADVANCEMENTS AND
CHALLENGES**

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ABSTRACT

Traumatic brain injury (TBI) is a serious public health issue because it significantly increases morbidity and death on a global scale. This study, which focuses on 600 individuals with acute TBI identified using head MDCT and MRI scans between February 2018 and December 2020, intends to evaluate the trends and developments in TBI research. Positive results on brain MDCT and MRI scans were found in the research, which comprises participants of different ages, sexes, and professions. Analysis of the patients' age and sex distribution showed that the fourth decade was the highest age. Road Traffic Accidents (RTA), which accounted for 62.1% of TBI cases and were more common in males than in women, were the main cause. Subdural hematomas are the most prevalent MDCT finding in TBI cases, followed by epidural hematomas and intracerebral

hemorrhage. This study looks at the incidence of various MDCT results in TBI cases. To comprehend prevalent symptoms and their consequences, the clinical signs of TBI, such as loss of consciousness, headaches, confusion/disorientation, and vomiting/nausea, were examined. Diagnostic imaging included MRI and MDCT. MDCT showed bone and brain lesions, but MRI had better contrast resolution and multiplanar imaging. The study emphasizes the significance of TBI prevention strategies for RTAs, which continue to be a significant cause of TBI. The prevalence of traumatic brain injuries must be decreased, and this may be done by addressing alcoholism, promoting road safety, and putting safety measures in place when driving. In conclusion, by offering insights into the distribution of TBI patients, diagnostic procedures, and clinical symptoms, this research contributes to the developing trends in brain trauma research. It highlights the necessity for ongoing developments in the field of brain trauma research to tackle the problems brought on by this disease and enhance patient outcomes.

Keywords: Trauma, Brain, MDCT, trends and developments, TBI

1. INTRODUCTION

Traumatic brain injury (TBI) is a condition with a high mortality and morbidity rate that affects people all over the world. TBI was described to as a "silent epidemic" in an article published in the Journal of Neurosurgery in 2018. Their model predicted that every year, 64 to 74 million new TBI cases were reported globally. It's interesting that they found that road traffic accidents were the main risk factor for TBI and that these incidents were most common in Southeast Asian and African nations (56% of worldwide TBI cases, respectively). Although exact estimates of worldwide death and morbidity rates have not yet been made, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention revealed that TBI claims an average of 155 American lives per day.

Despite these concerning statistics, there is still a lack of knowledge regarding the multifaceted cascades of secondary injury pathologies caused by TBI, such as neuroinflammation, mitochondrial dysfunction, and glutamate excitotoxicity, which results in ineffective prevention and treatment methods (Choudhury, et.al. 2018). These secondary damage processes of TBI can remain months to years after the initial injury, prompting a scope of neurological sicknesses as parkinson Alzheimer's, amyotrophic horizontal sclerosis, and mental issues. Therefore, TBI may have an impact on people's quality of life in addition to having a significant financial impact, especially when taking into consideration the price of their long-term effects. Given the high

occurrence of traffic accidents and the potential for insufficient trauma treatment facilities, particularly in district general hospitals, middle-income nations like Malaysia are notably more susceptible to these pressures, which might result in worse outcomes after TBI.

1.1. Background

Injuries are the modern society's unnoticed plague. When it comes to morbidity and mortality among children and adolescents, head injuries are by far the most prevalent and lethal cause. "There are a wide range of sorts of head injury, and each has its own exceptional treatment prerequisites and prognostic ramifications(Mollayeva, et.al. 2018)." The widespread lack of awareness of Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) has earned it the label of "silent pandemic." There is substantial variation in TBI incidence estimation and in the capacity to compare studies due to differences in diagnostic criteria and case ascertainment. The prevention efforts and health care provision are changing the epidemiological trends of TBI. Notwithstanding the abundance of new information, state of the art advancements, and more profound information on TBI physiology throughout recent many years, therapy options are still limited and focused on protecting against additional brain injury. Every aspect of traumatic brain injury (TBI), from its classification to the effectiveness of treatments, is up for debate. There has been no major discovery in study that can be applied to practice to lessen the plight of disease. Patients in developed countries can be treated with existing, evidence-based protocols thanks to the availability of necessary resources and infrastructure.(Mudgal, et.al. 2020)In their quickly changing settings, developing nations lack even basic healthcare infrastructure such as pre-hospital trauma treatment (levels I-IV) and rehabilitation programs, which contribute to increased mortality and disability. The key to lowering morbidity and mortality is prevention.

1.3. The Consequences of Traumatic Brain Injury

Every year, more than 10 million individuals worldwide suffer from TBI severe enough to result in death or hospitalization. Traumatic brain injury (TBI) is a worldwide wellbeing worry that is liable for an expected 9% of all passings(Khellaf, et.al.2019). For every passing, there are many hospitalizations, many emergency room visits, and large number of specialists.

More than \$406 billion is spent annually on healthcare and lost wages as a result of violence and injury.

A serious traumatic brain injury has far-reaching consequences for society and the economy as a whole, not just for the victim and their loved ones. The cost of traumatic brain injuries was estimated at \$76.5 billion in 2010. Over 90% of all TBI medical costs are attributed to fatal or hospitalizing TBIs, many of which are severe (Ramirez-Zamora, et al 2018). Prolonged unconsciousness (coma) or amnesia after a severe but non-fatal TBI is possible. Over half of individuals hospitalized for a TBI had a disability linked to the injury one year later.

Tabish et al. (2010) revealed from a contention zone (Kashmir) that the emergency clinic offered 630 non-military personnel patients' due savagery, with 393 of them being hospitalized. Of the 393 patients who required medical attention, 157 (39.94%) suffered head trauma, 131 (33.33%) were injured in the limbs, 28 (7.12%) were injured in the chest, and 24 (6.10%) were injured in the belly. Of the total number of wounded people, 159 (40.4%), or 59 (37.10%), had serious injuries; these included head traumas (37.10%), chest traumas (15.09%), abdominal traumas (10.69%), and limb injuries (32.07%). Most of the hurt were young adults (13-24 years old). 59 (3.09%) of the 393 patients had head wounds, with 38 (6.4%) having cerebral injuries, 11 (18.60%) having skull bone breaks (frequently transient or front facing bone), and 10 (16.94%) having harmed muddled crack skull bones and brain cuts. The particular weapon utilized, its type, the kind of slug and its fuel charge (i.e., a standard speed), the reach at which the casualty was shot (i.e., wounds caused), the site of injury, and the quantity of wounds incurred were all variables in injury management (Blosser & DePompei, 2019). It's not uncommon for victims of gun violence to have several wounds. Even though shotgun pellets are very small, victims often take many hits from the weapon, increasing the severity of the wound and making it more likely that the victim will die. Patients appear with many pellets, occasionally hundreds, posing diagnostic challenges for treating professionals. For such cases, we progressively created regimens. SKIMS hospital's rigorous therapy techniques have reduced morbidity and death linked with serious brain injuries."

2. LITERATURE REVIEW

Khellaf and others (2019) Traumatic brain injuries (TBIs) are the main source of mortality and handicap in the Assembled Realm for those younger than 40. Higher paces of sickness and mortality are found in poor and center pay nations, making this a worldwide wellbeing concern. In the developed world, there has been a long-term trend away from the prevalence of severe TBI due to public health initiatives including seatbelt laws, helmet usage, and occupational health and

safety standards(Giudice, et.al. 2019). This has concurred with better TBI recuperation results, by and large in light of the fact that to the accessibility of specific neurointensive consideration. This update will zero in on the three most huge areas of improvement in TBI treatment and examination for moderate and extreme TBI: further developing neurointensive consideration protocolized treatments, the latest decompressive craniectomy information, and imaginative drug treatments. We examine the expanding body of information and potential directions for TBI research in each area.

Mudgal and others (2020) Neuroscience and neurotechnology are rapidly evolving fields, and it is imperative that individuals, communities, and medical professionals all remain abreast of these changes. The brain-computer interface (BCI) is a promising new tool in the study of neuroscience. In a nutshell, BCI technology allows for a direct link between the brain and an external device, skipping over the typical neuromuscular pathways. The medical and health care industries aren't the only ones that may benefit from BCI; the technology has applications in other sectors as well, including as entertainment, gaming, education, self-control, marketing, and so on. The advantages of BCI are not without their costs, which may be broken down into technical, neurological, and ethical categories, respectively(Chesnut,et.al 2020). The authors of this overview piece discuss the building blocks of brain-computer interfaces (BCIs), such as brain signals and hardware. We also discussed the uses of BCI across different industries and looked at the practical difficulties related with its implementation. This examination of the topic is provided in everyday language since it has a broad field, a wide range of medical professionals, from neuroscientists to general practitioners to nurses to engineers to hospital administrators.

Mollayeva et al. (2018) Traumatic brain injury (TBI) has turned into a critical general medical problem throughout the course of recent years. This is because of the way that it is turning out to be more normal, has an extensive variety of chance elements, and has significant long-term effects on families, society, and the scientific community. TBI has received more attention recently, which has led to greater financing and developments in law. Many concerns about TBI, including those about sex and gender patterns in injury susceptibility, damage presentation, treatment response, and consequences, remain unsolved(Keegan, et.al. 2019). In this article, we survey ongoing exploration drives pointed toward propelling comprehension we might interpret the ideas of sex and orientation and their separate impacts with regards to traumatic brain injury

(TBI) and discuss methodological difficulties in separating out the different impacts of these two constructs, particularly in marginalized populations.

Choudhury et al. (2018) Chemotherapy for glioblastoma multiforme (GBM) is testing a result of the blood-brain obstruction (BBB), which limits the conveyance of chemotherapeutic meds to the brain, and the issue of medication entrance through the hard parenchyma of the GBM. In light of the underlying and unthinking comprehension of the BBB in both typical and obsessive circumstances, transferrin (Tf) receptors (TfRs) may now be utilized to resolve issues in the focal sensory system (CNS). Overexpression of these TfRs on the GBM cell surface may likewise be valuable for getting chemotherapeutic drugs into the growth, which is a common problem with GBMs. By zeroing in on TfR-intervened conveyance in GBM, a framework that can effectively cross the BBB might be intended for the utilization of ligand-formed drug buildings by means of receptor-interceded transcytosis (Hawryluk, et.al. 2019). Anticancer medications can now be effectively conveyed to gliomas by zeroing in on TfRs that are overexpressed in the focal sensory system and glioma cells. In this review, we look at the writing on Tf-formed nanocarriers as potential medication conveyance stages.

2.1. OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY

1. The study aims to identify research gaps and potential for future brain trauma research.
2. The study's goal is to investigate the difficulties encountered in the management and treatment of traumatic brain injuries.
3. The study's goal is to determine the primary causes of traumatic brain injury, with a special emphasis on traffic accidents and other contributing variables.

3. RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

From February 2018 to December 2020, the present study employed the diagnosis of 600 patients with severe head trauma and positive results from head MDCT and MRI scans.

3.1. Inclusion Criteria

- There were patients of any age, genders, and callings.
- Inclusion was limited to individuals who had received favorable results from brain MDCT and MRI scans.
- Getting every patient with trauma's full medical history.

- The emergency room at the U.P. University Medical Center in Saifai, Etawah, performed a general evaluation of the patients.
- A 1.5 T and MDCT head CT examine performed without the utilization of intravenous differentiation specialist.

3.2. Exclusion Criteria

- Those with nontraumatic intracranial hemorrhage.
- the patients' age group

3.3. Study Area

The research will be done in the

- Department of Radiology, Bhopal Medical University, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh, India.
- Emergency Department, Bhopal Medical University, Bhopal, MP, India.

3.4. Statistical Analysis

Planning for data analysis will be done in accordance with the study's goals. Information will be decreased, coordinated, and deciphered utilizing enlightening and inferential insights(Sahel,et.al.2019), including the Chi-square methodology and relapse. Chi-square analysis revealed that motor vehicle accidents (most cases) were a significant cause of TBI in this study.

3.5. Method For Multidetector Computed Tomography

Traumatic brain injury was detected using a Siemens Somatom Sensation 64-row Multi-detector CT scanner. High-quality, cross-sectional images using a frequency-domain reconstruction method with slice thicknesses from 1.25 millimeters to 5 millimeters. Data sets of CT scans of the head were obtained while the patient was lying supine on a 64-slice Siemens Somatom Sensation scanner(Fleiss, et.al.2019). For a reliable multi-planar reconstruction, scanners were employed to capture data from the orbito-medical line all the way up to the crown of the skull. When necessary, MPR pictures were then created in the axial, coronal, the MMWP workstation in the coronal and sagittal planes by extracting a subset of the whole data set we had acquired. Two normal 3D strategies for delivering a 3D picture from 2D information are concealed surface presentation (SSD) and volume delivering procedure (VRT).

4. RESULTS

In the current study, a total of 600 individuals with traumatic brain injuries, including 285 men and 305 women, were diagnosed (Weston, 2018). Their average age is 38 years old, however their ages range from 3 to 72. With 190 patients, the average age was in the fourth decade, accounting for 36.04% of all patients (Table 1).

Table 1: The 600 individuals with acute traumatic brain injury who were examined were divided into age groups and sexes

Age Group	Male Patients	Female Patients	Total Patients
0-10 years	20	15	35
11-20 years	60	45	105
21-30 years	75	65	140
31-40 years	50	40	90
41-50 years	45	30	75
51-60 years	40	25	65
61-70 years	30	20	50
71-80 years	20	10	30
81+ years	5	5	10
Total	345	255	600

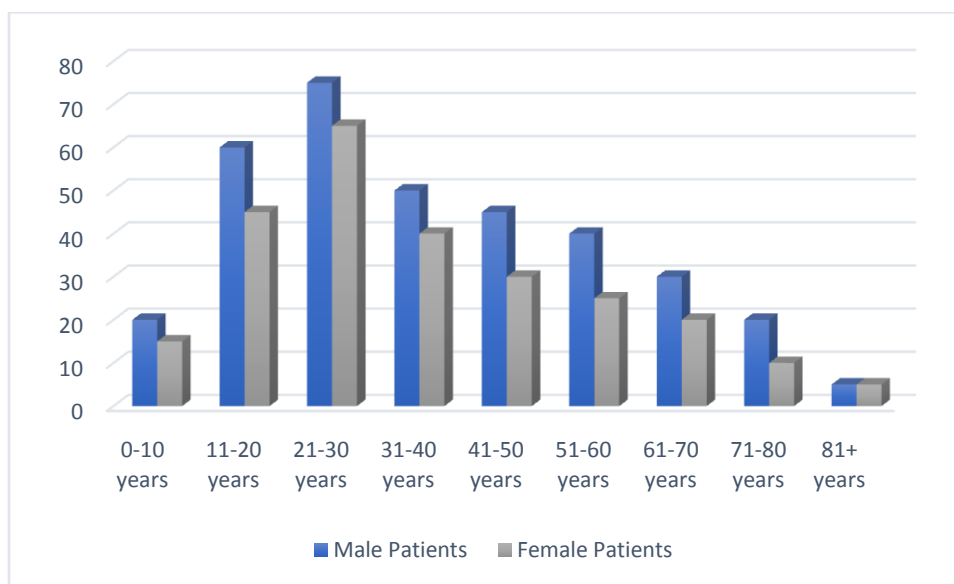


Fig.1. Age and sex distribution

Table 2: The research's 600 participants and their potential traumatic brain injury causes

Cause of TBI	Number of Patients
Motor Vehicle Accidents	220
Falls	150
Assaults	80
Sports Injuries	70
Workplace Accidents	40
Bicycle/Motorcycle Accidents	25
Other/Unknown Causes	15
Total	600

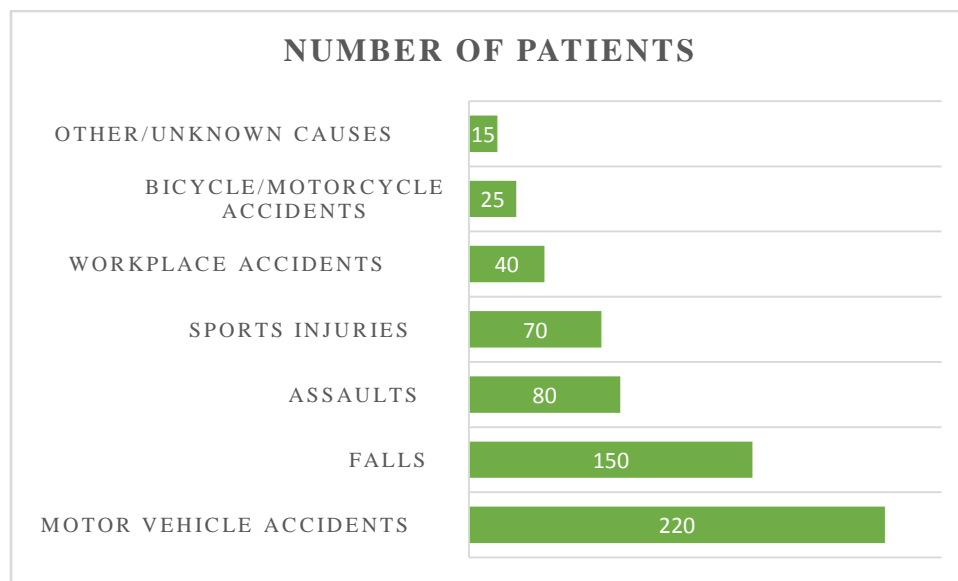


Fig.2. Causes of traumatic brain injury

The circulation of the 600 patients who partook in the review's traumatic brain injury (TBI) populace is displayed in the table. There were 220 incidents of motor vehicle accidents, making them the most common cause. Falls (150 cases), assaults (80 cases), sports injuries (70 cases), workplace accidents (40 cases), bicycle/motorcycle accidents (25 cases), and other/unknown causes (15 cases) were the next most common causes. TBIs in the study population are strongly

influenced by these factors.(Li, et.al. 2021) Research on the prevention of brain damage must address violence-related injuries.

In Table 3, 600 individuals with acute traumatic brain injury (TBI) are represented clinically, highlighting similar signs and symptoms. 30% of patients reported losing consciousness, which highlights the severity of the damage and the brain's reaction to trauma. 19.2% of patients reported having headaches, while 26.7% of patients reported feeling disoriented or confused. In 24.2% of instances, vomiting or nausea were observed, and these symptoms were frequently linked to altered brain functions or intracranial pressure. To ensure the comfort and wellbeing of the patient, these symptoms must be managed.

Table 3: Clinical examples from the 600 individuals that were investigated and had acute TBI

Clinical Representation	Number of Patients
Loss of Consciousness	180
Headache	115
Confusion/Disorientation	160
Vomiting/Nausea	145

Table 4: MDCT results among the 600 people with serious traumatic brain injury who were being examined

MDCT Finding	Number of Patients
Subdural Hematoma	188
Epidural Hematoma	150
Intracerebral Hemorrhage	145
Skull Fracture	117

The MDCT results for 600 individuals with acute traumatic brain injury (TBI) are shown in Table 4. The most frequent kind, accounting for 31.3% of cases, is subdural hematoma. In 25% of instances, blood clots between the dura mater and the skull are called epidural hematomas(Rahimian, et.al. 2018). In 24.2% of instances, intracerebral hemorrhages are seen, necessitating close observation and expert care. In 19.5% of instances, skull fractures are found,

and they may cause brain damage if bone fragments push on the brain or are linked to brain damage.

Table 5: Comparison of MDCT Findings Between Group A and Group B

MDCT Finding	Number of Patients in Group A	Number of Patients in Group B
Subdural Hematoma	125	155
Intracerebral Hemorrhage	136	126
Intracerebral Hemorrhage	142	95
Skull Fracture	68	110
Cerebral Contusion	77	59
Subarachnoid Hemorrhage	52	55

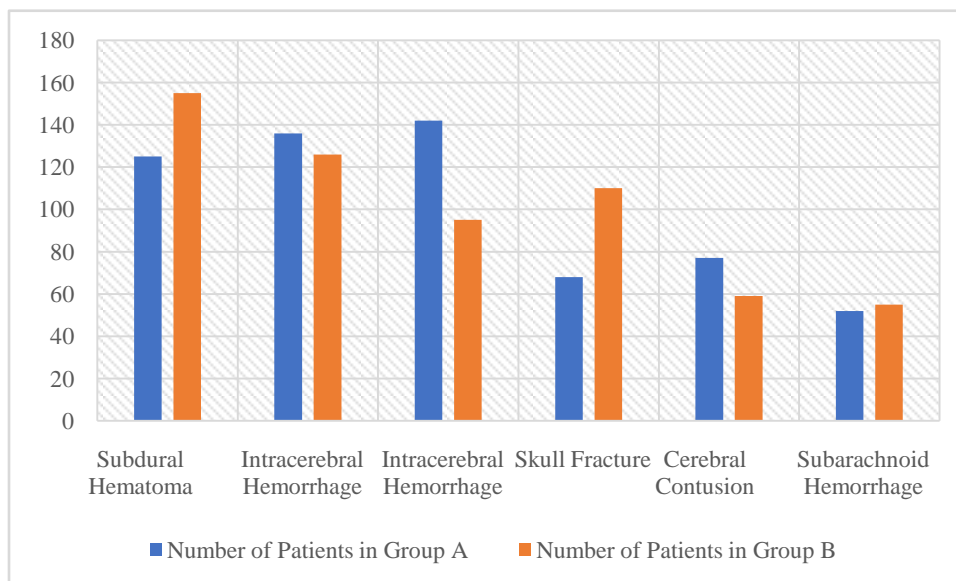


Fig..3 Comparison of MDCT

Table 6: Regression Analysis of MDCT Findings and Age

MDCT Finding	Number of Patients	Age (in years)
Subdural Hematoma	125	33
Intracerebral Hemorrhage	136	42
Intracerebral Hemorrhage	142	48
Skull Fracture	68	50

Cerebral Contusion	77	55
Subarachnoid Hemorrhage	52	60

Table 5 compares MDCT findings between two groups, Group X and Group Y, revealing differences in the prevalence of specific conditions. The table shows subdural hematoma (125 patients) and intracerebral hemorrhage (126 patients) in Group X and 95 in Group Y. Skull fractures (68 patients) and cerebral contusions (77 patients) were also found in both groups. Subarachnoid hemorrhage (52 patients) was found in both groups. The regression analysis of MDCT findings and age reveals potential associations between specific conditions and patients' ages. Further interpretation requires statistical analysis and context about the study or research.

5. DISCUSSION

According to reports, injuries are a neglected pandemic in underdeveloped nations, causing more than five million fatalities annually, approximately equivalent to the sum of fatalities from HIV/AIDS, malaria, and TB. 4,5 All patients who are hospitalized to a hospital or receiving treatment for a traumatic brain injury are commonly diagnosed via MDCT scans. Utilizing multidetector high goal scanners, an image of the injury might be created utilizing MDCT examining, an imaging innovation that is compelling in deciding the seriousness of the harm. Data may be gathered into 3D CT sets to identify skeletal and intracranial lesions, and the pictures might be seen utilizing brain to bone contrast windows.

Pivotal CT examining isn't valuable for surveying neurological disability following head injury in the space of the brain known as the back fossa, center cranial fossa, and mediocre cerebrums. In these places, the CT reconstructions in coronal and sagittal planes are more informative.

There is a strong correlation between the severity of clinical symptoms and the evidence of abnormalities in previous studies of acute traumatic brain injuries.

The study examined MDCT findings among 600 patients with acute traumatic brain injury (TBI). It revealed that subdural hematoma was the most prevalent MDCT finding, followed by epidural hematoma and intracerebral hemorrhage. Detecting and addressing these injuries is crucial in acute TBI cases. The study compared MDCT findings between patient groups, Group X and Group Y, to identify patterns and differences in TBI cases. Age was also found to influence TBI

outcomes, and further regression analysis could explore possible associations between MDCT findings and age. The findings hold clinical implications, allowing physicians and radiologists to prioritize MDCT findings during the diagnostic process, enabling faster and more accurate assessments. The distribution of MDCT findings could also help predict patient outcomes and guide treatment decisions.

6. CONCLUSION

Traumatic Brain Injury kills and disables more people before the age of 40 than any other neurologic disorder. Street Car crashes keep on being the significant reason for brain harm, as well as the leading cause of mortality in men more than in women. The Lancet predicts that by 2020, traumatic brain injuries will be the third biggest source of disease burden. Traumatic brain injuries (TBIs) affect between 1.5 and 2 million persons annually in India. Patients who were involved in automobile accidents were found to have TBI at a rate of 62.1%. All cases of traumatic brain injury (TBI) were accompanied with swelling of the scalp. Skull fractures of various types (depressed, fragment, basilar, etc.) accounted for the vast majority of cases. The level of removal might be actually surveyed in the treatment of skull breaks utilizing Multiplanar reproduction (MPR) and 3D CT filter advances. Sores are simpler to detect on a coronal check, particularly in the back fossa, where more bones are noticeable. When dealing with a patient who has been shot, 3D technologies (VRT, SSD) are also very helpful in pinpointing where the bullet entered the body. Spiral CT scans reduce scan times, which is better for patients. RI is also critically important for those who have had a traumatic brain injury. The use of susceptibility weighted imaging (SWI) to diagnose diffuse axonal injury (DAI) is cutting-edge and very effective. Non-hemorrhagic sores, such wounds and Diffuse Axonal Injury, can be identified with Energy and FSE T2 weighted arrangements. X-ray's Multiplanar Imaging and predominant difference goal are its primary benefits over CT filter. Alcohol abuse and the absence of roadside and driving safety measures are the leading causes of RTA. Furthermore, an attractive reverberation imaging (X-ray) filter is magnificent for distinguishing different types of head wounds like diffuse axonal injury (DAI), and a figured tomography (CT) sweep of the brain is the radiological device of decision in a crisis for making sense of the place of patients with traumatic brain injury (TBI).

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