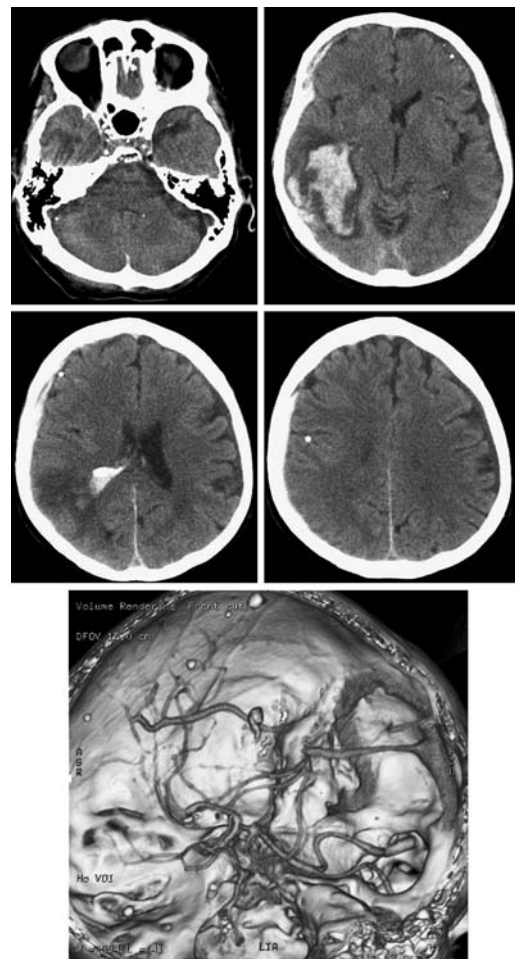


Neurocritical care mystery-pellets in the brain

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A 73-year-old man developed sudden headache and confusion. On exam he was alert, oriented to place and time, and had a left homonymous hemianopia. A head CT and CT angiogram of the brain revealed a right temporoparietal hematoma, an overlying subdural hematoma and multiple small, round, hyperdense areas within the subarachnoid space resembling BB pellets. The patient had never been shot. What are the “pellets” in this man’s brain?



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