

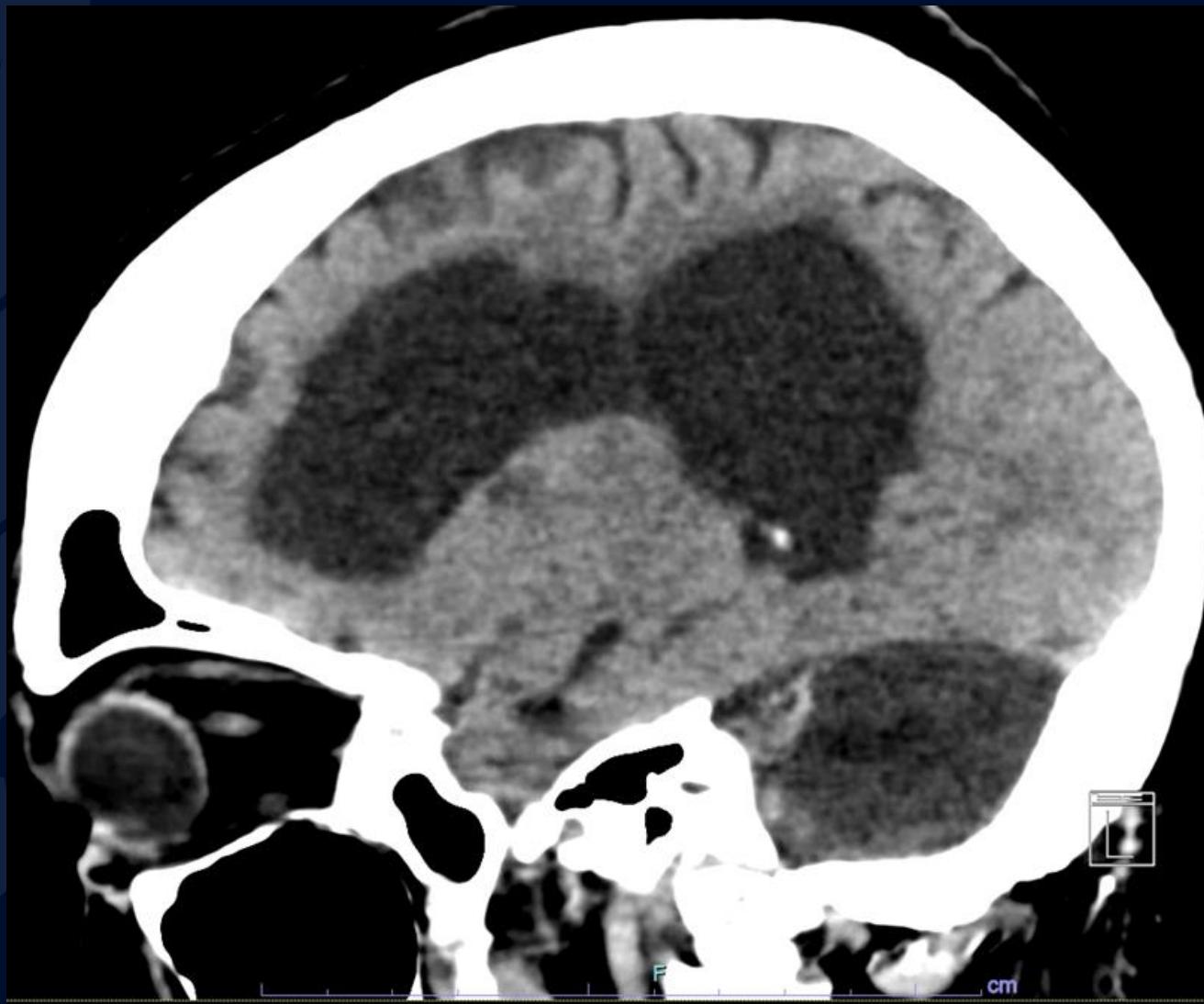
57 y/o female with a H/O
developmental delay, hypotonia,
& ataxia during infancy.
Presenting with headache.

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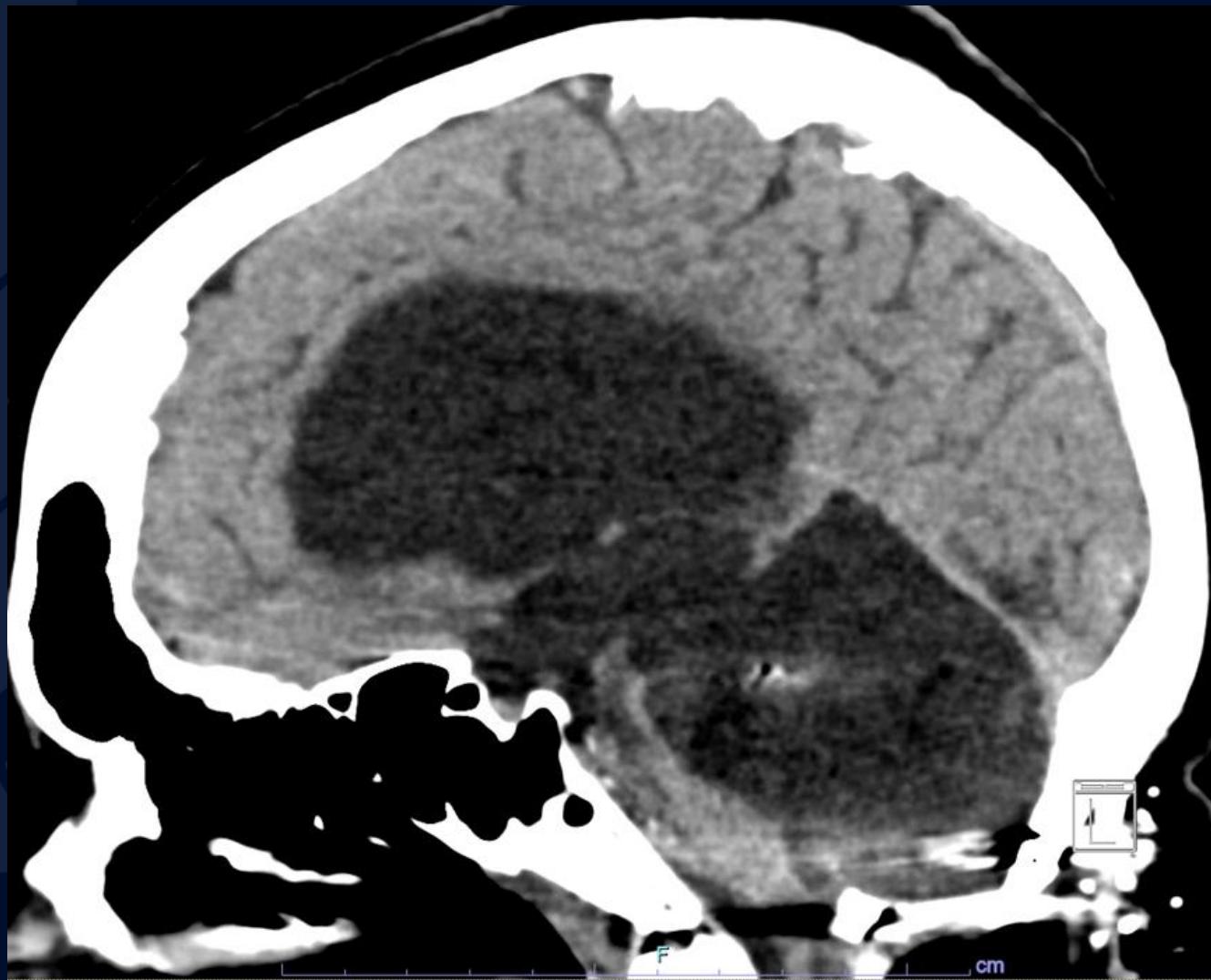
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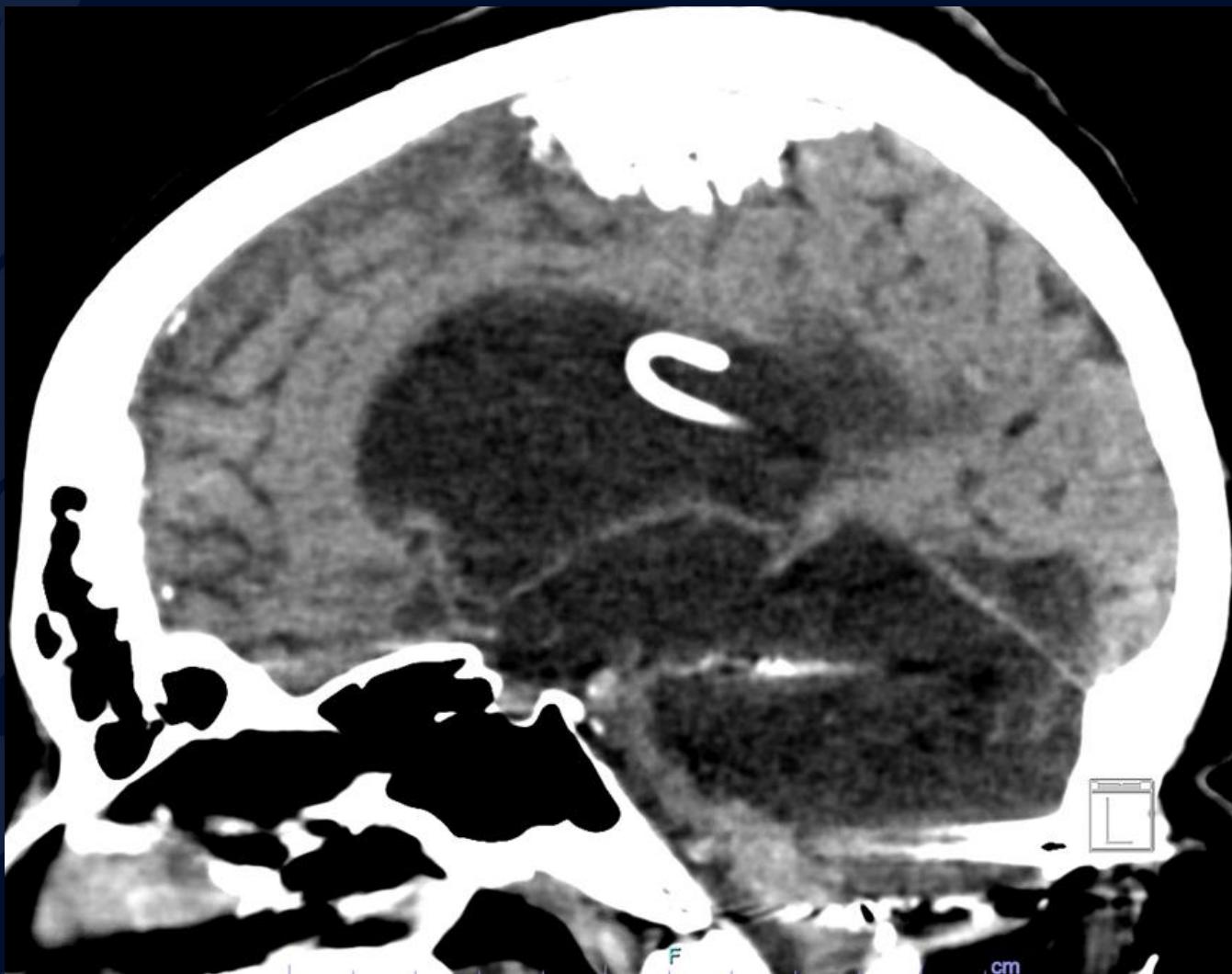
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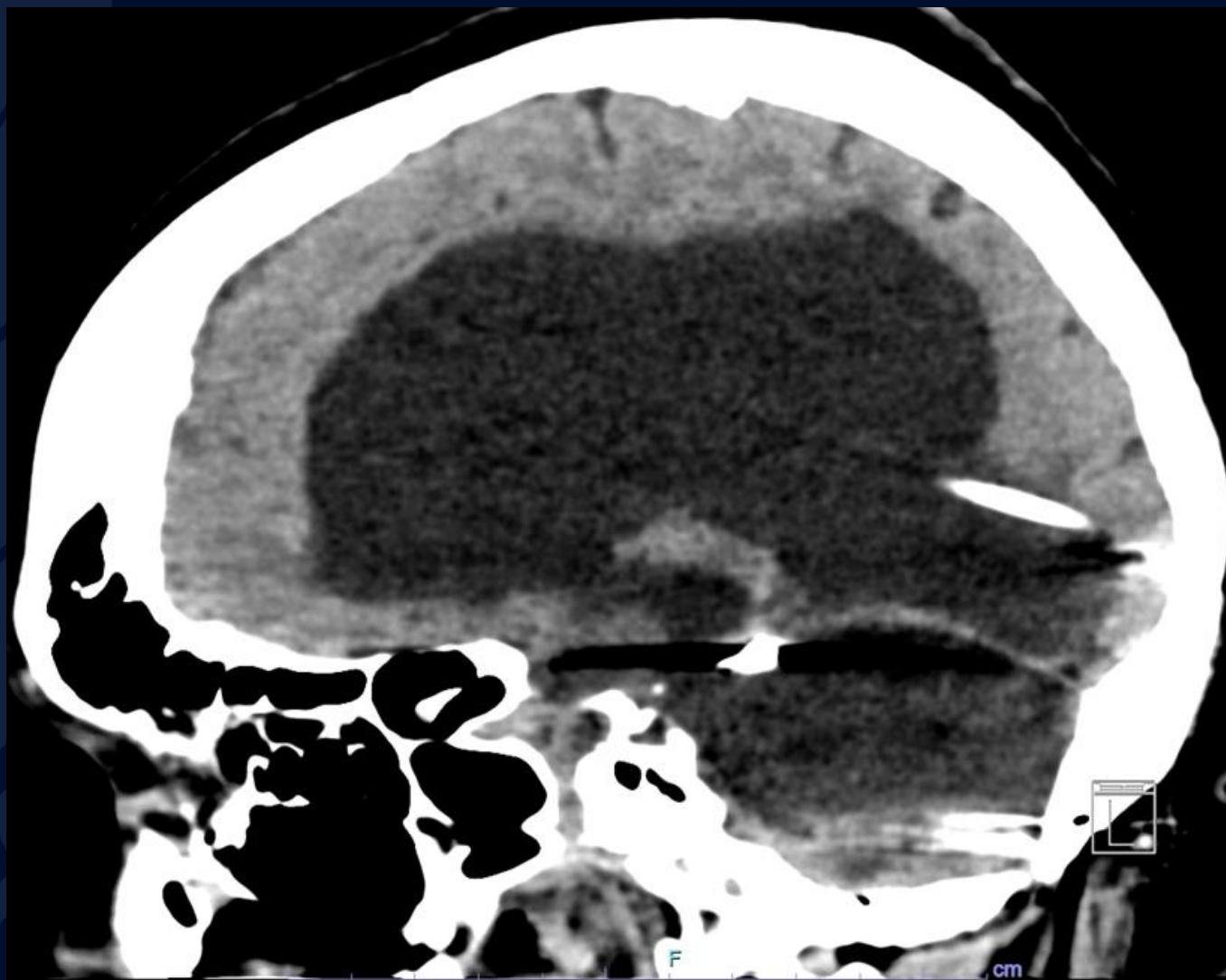
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Dandy Walker Malformation
s/p Ventriculoperitoneal
Shunting

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Hydrocephalic
lateral
ventricle

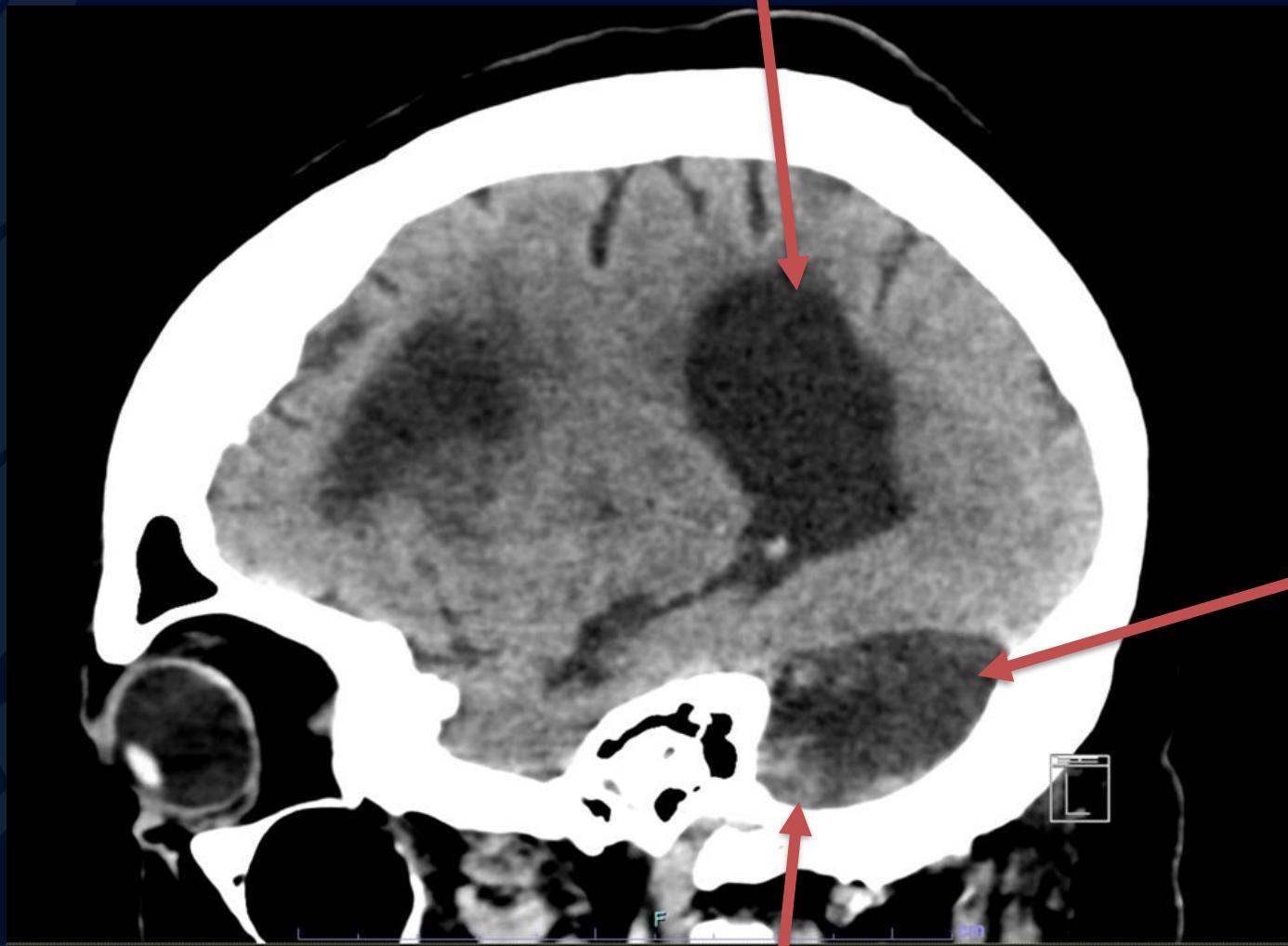
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Dilation of lateral ventricle

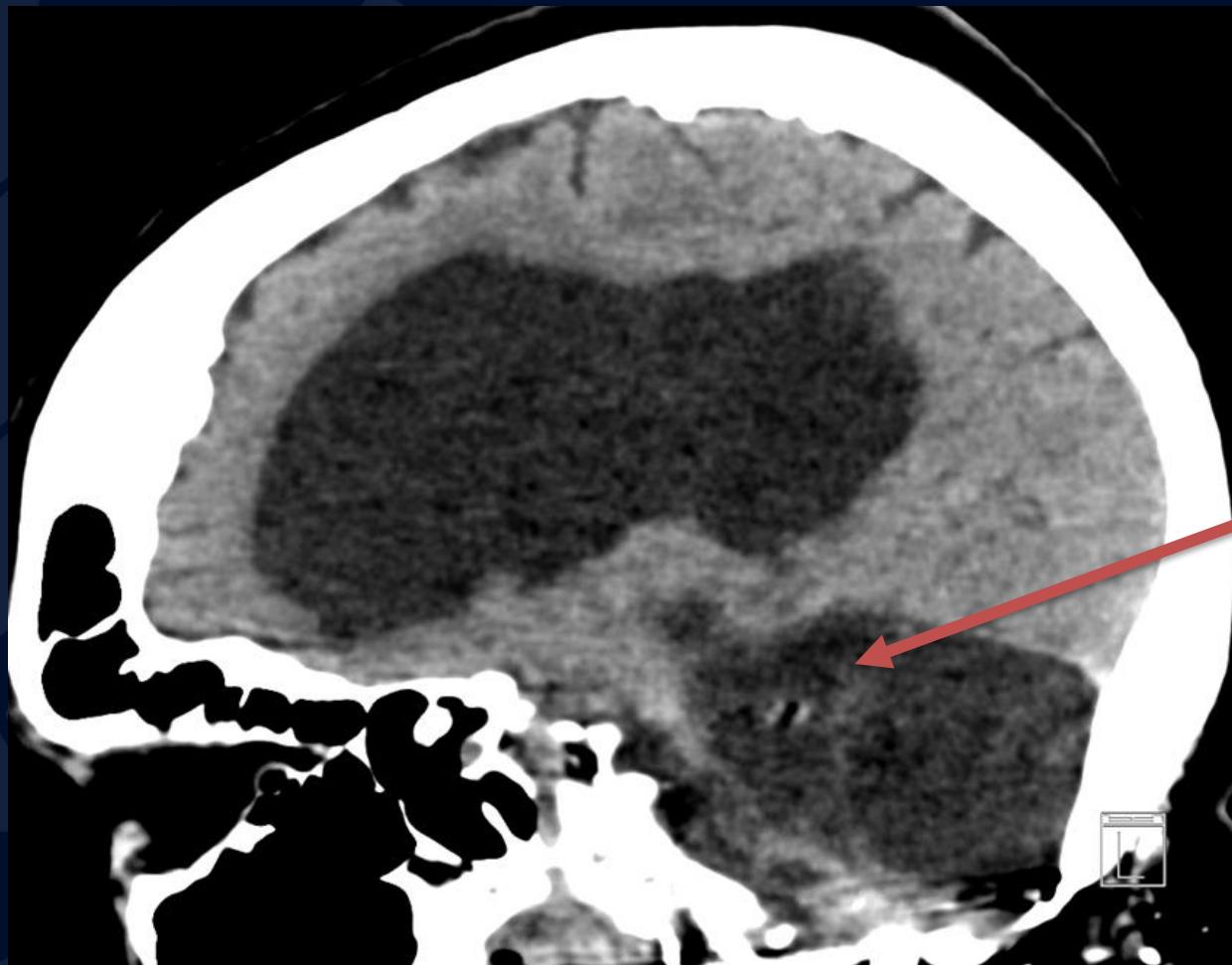
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Hypoplasia of cerebellar vermis

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Cystic
dilatation of
4th ventricle

Dandy Walker Malformation

Triad of:

- Hypoplasia of the cerebellar vermis & rotation of vermian remnant
- Cystic dilatation of the fourth ventricle extending posteriorly
- Enlarged posterior fossa

Epidemiology:

- Most common posterior fossa malformation
- 1 in 30,000 births

Etiology:

- Chromosomal abnormalities, prenatal exposure to viral illness, maternal diabetes

Dandy Walker Malformation

Clinical presentation:

- Usually presents in 1st year of life
- Symptoms of hydrocephalus
- Developmental delay, hypotonia, ataxia

Diagnosis:

- Level II prenatal ultrasound in 2nd or 3rd trimester
- Fetal MRI can confirm diagnosis

Treatment:

- Surgical: fluid drainage via a ventriculoperitoneal shunt if necessary

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