

In 1980 Jones published a case report in the journal *Anaesthesia*, of iophendylate-induced encephalopathy causing post-operative convulsions. ( [\[1\]](#) )

Greenberg and Vance, published in the *Lancet*, described focal seizures resulting from iophendylate myelography. ( [\[2\]](#) )

Mooij ( [\[3\]](#) ), looking at 63 patients with arachnoiditis, commented:

"The most important aetiological factor was the combination of one or more myelographies with one or more operations".

I note that a paper was published ( [\[4\]](#) ) describing ureteropelvic junction obstruction resulting from percutaneous intracystic iophendylate injection; obviously the toxic effects of the dye were not restricted to the delicate tissues of the CNS.

Iophendylate was also being used intracranially to treat arteriovenous malformations.

Cromwell and Harris ( [\[5\]](#) ) used direct injection of a 50% mixture of bucrylate and iophendylate into the feeding arteries supplying the area.

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[\[1\]](#) Jones DF *Anaesthesia* 1980 Jan; 35(1): 50-6 Postoperative convulsions due to iophendylate (Myodil). Report of a case and review of the causes of postoperative convulsions.

[2] [Greenberg MK, Vance SC](#). *Lancet*. 1980 Feb 9; 1(8163): 312-3. Focal seizure disorder complicating iodophendylate myelography.

[3] Mooij JJ *Acta Neurochir (Wien)* 1980; 53(3-4): 151-60 Spinal arachnoiditis: disease or coincidence?

[4] Camacho MF, Bondhus MJ, Carrion HM, Lockhart JL, Politano VA. *J Urol* 1980 Nov; 124(5): 713-4 Ureteropelvic junction obstruction resulting from percutaneous cyst puncture and intracystic iophendylate injection: an unusual complication.

[5] Cromwell LD, Harris AB. *J Neurosurg* 1980 May; 52(5): 705-8 Treatment of cerebral arteriovenous malformations: a combined neurosurgical and neuroradiological approach.