

Collapses

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Why collapse?

Acute brain failure

Something else...

- trip ± concussion
- vertigo
- muscle weakness
- Parkinson' disease
- ...

Acute brain failure: why?

No blood (→pallor)

Something else...

- Epilepsy
- hypoglycaemia
- Toxic: drugs / CO
- TCIA
- ...

No blood : why?

Cardiac arrhythmia

Something else...

- Vertebro-basilar obstruction
- Postural hypotension
- Vasovagal reflex
- POTS
- AS (+ other cardiac obstruction)
- ...

Cardiac arrhythmia

Much too fast – esp. VT

Much too slow

- SND (+ meds)
- AVB
- Bigemini

Sudden onset + vasovagal

Follow-up

Still collapsing

- Wrong diagnosis
- Wrong / failed treatment
- Different problem
- Psychogenic?

Pacemaker / ICD issues