

### Causes of BSL

**Vascular syndromes** Arterial occlusion , Arterial haemorrhage

**Posterior fossa tumours** Can affect any age group - primary children + elderly - mets from lung, breast, skin

**MS** MLF, trigeminal, glossopharyngeal

**Metabolic BS dysfunction** Sensitive to drugs/toxins due to high metabolism

**Vascular** = focal area damage in vascular territory

If lesion presents **patchy/bilaterally**, vascular lesion is **LESS** likely

### Comparison of tumour to vascular lesions

Vascular	Tumour
Focal, defined in a vascular territory	Focal, defined not in a vascular territory - patchy/bilateral presentation
Sudden/abrupt	insidious & gradual
Does not usually progress unless secondary complications	Gradual + progressive - worsening/increase in symptoms over time
"On/off" symptoms - you either have it or you don't	Constant/comes and goes

### S&S

Nuclear CN deficits + limb weakness/sensory deficit

**CN deficits ipsilateral to BSL - limb weakness/sensory deficits contralateral**

Cerebellar deficits - ipsilateral to BSL

### 5Ds, And 3Ns

Diplopia, Dizziness, Dysarthria, Dysphagia, Drop Attacks

Ataxia

Numbness, Nausea, Nystagmus



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