



# Progressive Basal Cell Carcinoma

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## Clinical image description

A 73-year-old man with history of basal cell carcinoma of the right eyelid was brought to the emergency department after being found unresponsive at home by a neighbor. He was diagnosed seven years ago with locally advanced BCC which was resected. The patient had an 8-month period of no growth. Recurrence prompted chemo and radiation treatment, to which the cancer was refractory. At this point the lesion was still confined to the right eyelid without eye socket or bony erosion and considered curable with surgical resection. The patient refused further treatment and was lost to follow up for two years until current presentation. Physical exam showed extensive facial deformity involving the right orbit, frontal cranium and nasal anatomy with purulent drainage and dried blood. Imaging showed complete erosion of frontal bones and anterior skull base with involvement of both orbits and likely intracranial extension. The patient died two days later.

