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Editorial comment

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This experience with 11 cases of infantile brain medulloblastoma is very important, in that it is representative of what most (alas! I dare say almost all) practicing pediatric neurosurgeons encounter: slightly less than 1 medullo-

blastoma per year. Of course, there are rare exceptions; but they are rare. Accordingly, this work is representative of what one may accomplish with regard to total or subtotal resection, expect for immediate and long-term postoperative results, and use as a basis for evaluating such often discussed but not yet resolved issues as feasibility of total resection, effectiveness of chemotherapy, and combination of surgical/radiotherapeutic/chemotherapeutic regimens... within the microcosm of experience which most of us have.