**Abstract** 

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**Background:** 

Work in the first part describes the construction of the nervous and vascular system at key

points which relate to the topic. Focuses on basic functional principles of both systems,

which together are both anatomically and functionally linked.

In its special section then discusses his own brain injury. Includes incidence, causes and

mechanisms of its formation, classify its severity. Describes the pathophysiological processes

in the brain injury that are the focus of today's scientific research.

Findings and conclusion:

Based on the work of our search, we concluded that the pathophysiological picture of

cerebral tissue damage involves many, mutually interlocking mechanisms. We found that the

toxic effect of excitatory amino acids leads to a massive increase in intracellular calcium

concentration. The resulting stepped-pathological activation of many enzymes and inhibition

of mitochondrial function. Damage to nerve cells is also caused by free radicals that cause

damage to cell membranes, proteins and molecular genetic information. The latter

intervention radicals stimulates apoptotic process, multi-level mechanism for accelerating

cell lysis. We also found out that in the pathophysiology of brain damage plays an important

role as an inflammatory process involving the action of immunocompetent cells and their

released mediators and brain edema deteriorating terrain damaged tissue.

Swelling participates in the creation of the ischemic state in the brain, which is necessary

due to increased anaerobic metabolism and lactic acidosis. The course of brain damage also

complicates hyponatremia. While watching the spectrum of molecules circulating in the

blood and cerebrospinal fluid, we found also a number of markers, which determination may

be beneficial in terms of prognosis of brain damage.

The above facts pathobiochemical extended view of the mechanisms of secondary damage.

Knowing this versatility also extends the therapeutic possibilities of intervention. The effect

of these complex mechanisms can mitigate the consequences, which induces primary brain

damage.

**Key words:** pathophysiology of brain trauma, severe traumatic brain.