

Woman, 35, dies from rare stroke after AstraZeneca Covid vaccine jab

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A woman in her 30s has tragically died after having the AstraZeneca Covid vaccine.

The patient, a 35-year-old Asian woman, went to hospital six days after her vaccine appointment.

She died two weeks after being admitted following "extensive hemorrhaging".

University College London have reported on the case - which, it is important to stress, is very rare.

They also analysed two other instances - a 37-year-old white female and 43-year-old Asian male.

The two suffered strokes but survived.

Ischaemic strokes are the most common type of stroke.

They happen when a blood clot blocks the flow of blood and oxygen to the brain.

These blood clots typically form in areas where the arteries have been narrowed or blocked over time by fatty deposits known as plaques.

This process is known as atherosclerosis.

Lead author of the report, David Werring, professor of clinical neurology at UCL, said: "Our study shows that the much more common ischaemic stroke, due to arterial thrombosis blocking blood flow to part of the brain, may also be a presenting feature of vaccine-induced thrombosis."

Ian Douglas, a professor of pharmacoepidemiology at London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine who was not involved in the study, said: "We now have some evidence that the types of blood vessels affected include arteries as well as veins.

"It's important to stress that such cases remain very rare, and it's certainly much rarer in people who have had the AZ vaccine than it is in people affected by Covid-19 itself.

"The description of the cases suggests the patients involved presented with the same kind of symptoms as already described... and they don't suggest patients need to be on the alert for anything different."