

**Frequently Asked Questions: Neuroradiology
Review Committee for Radiology
ACGME**

Question	Answer
Educational Program	
<p>What is the expectation regarding the number of catheter-based angiography procedures?</p> <p><i>[Program Requirements: 4.11.k. and 4.5.a.3.]</i></p>	<p>Fellows are no longer required to do 50 angiography cases, but rather 100 image-guided invasive procedures overall. There is no required minimum number, but fellows must have a defined experience and participation, and the experience must be required, not an elective.</p>
<p>What are the Review Committee considerations for the angiography requirement?</p> <p><i>[Program Requirements: 4.11.k., 4.11.k.1., and 4.6.b.]</i></p>	<p>The Review Committee expects that fellows will receive at least four weeks of training in vascular neuroradiology via the supervised interpretation of magnetic resonance angiogram (MRA) and computed tomography angiogram (CTA) studies throughout their fellowship year.</p> <p>While many neuroradiologists will not perform angiography procedures in their practice, the Review Committee considers knowledge and understanding of catheter-based angiography to be an essential component of neuroradiology practice. Knowledge of catheter-based angiography remains a component of the American Board of Radiology neuroradiology exam, and thus, training remains a component of the fellowship.</p> <p>Fellows should understand the indications, contraindications, potential complications, and basics of how neuro-interventional radiology procedures are performed. While didactic learning may be a component of this training, the Review Committee requires fellows to participate in angiography cases in the interventional radiology suite to gain this experience. Ideally, fellows will scrub into cases; if this is not possible, they may closely observe. Many programs find that one to two weeks of cumulative angiographic procedural experience during the one-year fellowship is sufficient.</p>