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CRANIAL SEPARATION -- Twins Patrick and Benjamin Binder, who were born joined at the backs of their heads, undergo an unprecedented 22-hour operation to separate them by doctors at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland. The seven-month-old boys, from Ulm, West Germany, had separate brains but shared some skull bone and blood veins. Neurosurgeons fashioned new veins for both of them out of membrane removed from their hearts. The operation was termed successful and hospital spokesmen were optimistic about the full recovery of the patients. (87-1705 & 87-1718)



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