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Nose III-IV

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Lecture Objectives:

- ★ Acute & chronic sinusitis (causes,clinical & management).
- ★ Fungal sinusitis (in brief).
- ★ Complication: sinusitis (classification, management & with special attention to orbital complications (investigation & general treatment).
- ★ Radiology illustration.
- ★ Diseases-nasal septum (DNS).
- ★ Epistaxis (causes,clinical mngt).
- ★ Turbinate hypertrophy.
- ★ Nasal operations (FESS, septoplasty, turbinate surgery) in short.

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Sinusitis

We prefer using the term Rhinosinusitis, because when nose is mainly affected (rhinitis), the sinuses will be affected to a certain degree as well and vice versa regarding sinusitis

Acute rhinitis (common Cold)

- Mostly viral (adenovirus, picornavirus, **rhinovirus** (the most common)
- **Symptoms**: Burning sensation in the nose, nasal congestion, obstruction, secretions and hyposmia or even anosmia.
- Can be secondarily infected by **bacteria** (Strep. pneum, Staph a., H.Inf, Kleb. Pneum, M.Catarrhalis. Has worsening symptoms and double sickening with longer duration.
- Can progress into acute bacterial rhinosinusitis.
- Influenza rhinitis:
 - Influenza A, B, C viruses
 - Similar symptoms of common cold but with more **constitutional symptoms**: headache, vomiting, high grade fever. Esp in immunocompromised: DM, asthma it can progress to RTI and pulmonary failure.
 - Role of influenza vaccine. Bc it's a disease that has a risk of complications
- Investigations: not done routinely bc it is not cost effective and will not change management
- **Treatment**: Bed rest, rehydration, analgesia and decongestants, antibiotic use is in selected pts bc its mostly viral (adults 70%, peds 90%)

Types of Sinusitis: Acute Chronic Subacute Recurrent a sudden onset of flu like - more than 8-12 weeks. - several attacks within a symptoms such as runny, - between acute and chronic - a condition characterized vear. stuffy nose and facial pain - An inflammation lasting by sinus inflammation - Recurrent sinusitis is that does not go away 4 to 8 weeks symptoms lasting 8 not common so you have after 10 to 14 days (lasts weeks or longer. to intervene. longer than an influenza). Acute sinusitis typically lasts 4 weeks or less.

Acute sinusitis

- Sinusitis is a broad term, so saying it's sinusitis is not enough to formulate a plan.
- Inflammation of the mucosal lining of the nose (same as sinus lining; recently called rhinosinusitis) and paranasal sinuses.
- Affects 35 million patients in the US annually, with 16 millions office visits.
- Women are more affected in some studies (2:1,dealing with children)

Pathophysiology

Three general factors: (we usually mean bacterial when we talk about sinusitis, as different types have different pathophysiology, example: in allergic fungal sinusitis we don't have obstruction or ciliary impairment , also no infection only inflammation)

- 1- Obstruction of sinus drainage (mechanical)
- 2- Ciliary impairment (primary ciliary dyskinesia)
- 3-Altered quality or quantity of the mucus (cystic fibrosis)

Cont: Acute Sinusitis

Microbiology		
Acute viral	Acute Bacteria (most common)	
Rhinoviruses , influenza A&B, Para-influenza, corona viruses, RSV, adenoviruses, enteroviruses	Streptococcus pneumoniae 20-30%, haemophilus influenza 15-20%, moraxella catarrhalis 16-20%.	

Clinical (PODS)

Hallmark of acute sinusitis (to differentiate it from URTI or flu) : Nasal congestion + headache + facial pain and tenderness + post-nasal drip + purulent nasal discharge (most URTI cause runny nose with watery discharge meanwhile in sinusitis its yellowish or greenish).

We need the presence of 2 out of 4 (PODS) to start investigations.

- **Pain/Pressure:** facial (frontal (forehead pain), periorbital (or between eyes if ethmoidal), cheek (maxillary), dental (maxillary)).
- Nasal **Obstruction**: unilateral vs bilateral, complete vs partial.
- **Discharge**: anterior (secretions coming out from nose) vs. posterior (post nasal discharge, feeling like something is stuck in throat), thick vs thin, clear vs mucopurulent vs purulent nasal discharge.
- Smell: anosmia vs hyposmia.
- Other symptoms:
 - Ear symptoms: clicking of the ear. (eustachian tube closes due to infection or enlargement of turbinates).
 - Visual and neurological symptoms (complications) rare.
 - Fever, fatigue, headache which gets worse when leaning forward (patient will say when i pray or try to get something from the floor i feel like my head is heavy), hoarseness due to postnasal drip causing patient to cough which will affect vocal cords eventually, halitosis (bad breath), cough mainly with children and constitutional symptoms.
- **Duration**: more than 10 days (or worsening after initial improvement) but less than 3 months, unlike rhinitis 7-10 days only (if more, that is chronic, and subacute is between 4 weeks and 3 months.)
- History of:
 - Immunosuppression. In certain types, example: pts referred from ICU with subnasal discharge due to acute fulminant invasive fungal sinusitis which can be fatal (60-70% mortality), so different presentation means different prognosis and management. Dental issues/pain (as a cause of odontogenic sinusitis) due to maxillary nerve, usually midfacial pain over maxillary sinus (one side)
- **Presentation:** ICU (complicated or invasive), ER (acute bacterial), Clinic (allergic or chronic).

Physical Exam

- Fever
- Nasal tenderness and erythema around the nostrils
- Facial erythema or tenderness
- Mucosal oedema, erythema, purulent discharge
- **Causative issues:** septal deviation, hypertrophied inferior turbinates
- **Clinical exam:** Anterior Rhinoscopy , nasal endoscopy

Cont: Acute Sinusitis

Investigations

- **CBC:** for WBC, ESR in a sick patient
- **Sinus x-rays:** not used now, very low yield.
- **Sinonasal culture:** not done as routine, only if no response to ATB and suspicion of unusual or resistant organisms. endoscopic guided.
- **CT scan Sinuses:** mostly requested when there is a suspicion of complications (with contrast).
- MRI: used only in complications or suspicion of malignancy in the sinuses.
- **Nasal endoscopy** or anterior rhinoscopy is used to confirm dx by the presence of pus or discharge coming from the sinus, if you don't have an endoscope you can use a nasal speculum to examine the nose.
- Type of bacteria confirmed by taking a swab.
 Soft tissue window
 Bone w



Nasal endoscopy



Normal CT (sinuses filled with air) w/ mild deviation & right inferior turbinate hypertrophy



Air fluid level, that's acute sinusitis and mucosal thickening



middle turbinate: Discharge coming from the maxillary sinus



Discharge (pus) is seen at middle meatus which is a hallmark of acute sinusitis. I can say 100% sure sinusitis

Treatment

Antibiotics

- The most common organism is bacterial.
- Most common bacterial organism in adults: strept. pneumonia unlike children
- When to give Abx? if you found pus yellowish in color or symptoms getting worse or presence of complications.



- First line: amoxil, clarithromycin or azithromycin. (no need to know names)
- Second line: Amoxi-clav, flouroquinolone

Supportive

- Intranasal corticosteroids (nasonex) new guidelines suggest a 48h trial, we can start with it before ABx
- Analgesia (non-narcotic)
- Sinus irrigation. High volume irrigation causes immediate relief
- Decongestant (local spray and systemic) atropine used for 3 days works by decongesting the mucosa so the pus comes out (to decrease congestion and open ostia of sinuses)
- Hydration
- Smoking cessation, etc. avoid provoking or irritative.

Most patients improve spontaneously or after a course of conservative management. specially if viral - If no response, or develope recurrent symptoms should considered more aggressive medical management such as: anti-histamines, prolonged course antibiotics, decongestants, nasal steroids or vasoconstrictors.

Surgery

reserved for patients who fail 3 to 5 months of medical management or have complications. Or if it became chronic or if it was recurrent.

Chronic sinusitis

One of the most common disease with direct impact on the quality of life of the patient. Persistent inflammation of the nose and paranasal cavities that lasts more than 12 weeks. we have to intervene and do surgery if it became chronic because it affects life

Pathophysiology

- Persistence of infection
- Intrinsic factors of the airway
- Metabolic abnormalities such as ASA sensitivity
- Allergy or other immunologic disorder
- Superantigens
- Fungi that induce and sustain eosinophilic inflammation (allergic fungal sinusitis is common here)

Microbiology

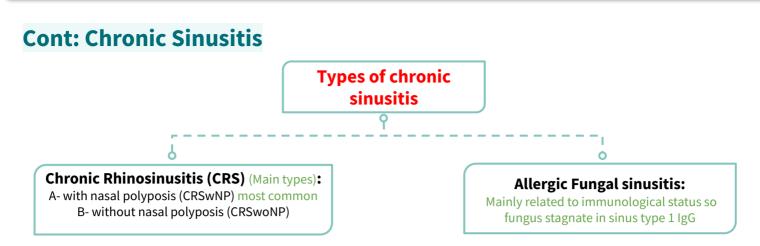
Most common bacteria

- Staph aureus (most common)
 - Coagulase negative staph
- Pseudomonas (in cystic fibrosis)
- Bacteroides and other anaerobes

Etiology

Normal infection that is continuous due to (predisposing factors for sinusitis to become chronic):

- Obstruction:
 - Structural: tumors, trauma, tubes (so secretion will collect in sinus, stagnate and get infected)
 - Anatomical: (nasal septum deviation, enlarged turbinate).
 - Etc persistent from acute.
- Allergy and atopy (asthma, ASA sensitivity, allergic rhinitis) more tendency, they have hyper-reactive immune system and and their mucosa will always be congested closing the sinus opening.
- Defects in ciliary clearance
 - (PCD) pseudocolumnar epithelial defect (congenital defects in cilia, cilia continually moves nasal secretions into nasopharynx, if there's a defect in ciliary clearance it will lead to stagnation of secretions in the sinus)
 - Quality of mucus (CF) cystic fibrosis in which secretion is very thick so they always present with sinusitis.
- Hormonal (puberty and pregnancy) due to decreased immunity.
- Irritant (smoking, pollutant, acid reflux).
- Immune deficiency (AIDS, DM, renal transplant, immunosuppressant medications) cartilaginous syndrome = chronic sinusitis + chronic discharge bronchitis. in immune deficiency fungal sinusitis is our concern because some types are fatal and must be diagnosed within few hours.
- Systemic (Wegener, Churg-Strauss syndrome, sarcoidosis)
- **Dental** rarely oroantral fistula. some patients might have their root of last tooth inside the sinus which will cause fistula between mouth and maxillary sinus if the tooth was extracted, so anything can go inside the sinus such as food causing chronic sinusitis.



Clinical (PODS)

- For diagnosis: Presence of obstruction or drainage and at least two other symptoms of the CPODS for 8 -12 weeks plus Documented inflammation of the paranasal sinuses or nasal mucosa and confirmed by either:
 - Endoscopy
 - CT scan, preferably in coronal view.
- Facial **C**ongestion or fullness
- Pain/Pressure: facial (frontal, periorbital, cheek, dental).
- **O**bstruction: unilateral vs bilateral, complete vs partial.
- Discharge: anterior vs posterior (usually posterior), thick vs thin, clear vs muco-purulent usually
- **Smell:** anosmia can't smell vs hyposmia decrease smell (i can only smell strong odors).
- Example: Pain + facial smell + congestion
 - Symptoms are less severe than acute, NO fever
- Other symptoms:
 - Fatigue, Malaise, Halitosis, Cough
 - Ear symptoms
 - Visual and neurological symptoms (complications) (rare, more common with fungal sinusitis)
 - Exacerbation of asthma
 - **Duration**: More than 3 months.
- History of:
 - Immune suppression
 - Dental issues (as a cause of sinusitis)
 - Need to know about previous medical and surgical treatment, their effectiveness and duration of benefits
 - Exposure to allergens (aid in obstruction) very important to ask about
- Usually in chronic sinusitis all sinuses are involved.

Physical Exam

- Facial erythema or tenderness
- Mucosal oedema, erythema, purulent discharge (we don't usually see pus because its not acute unless if the polyp stayed for a long time and obstructed the sinus), polyps (single big, or multiple small)
- Causative issues: septal deviation, hypertrophied inferior or middle turbinates
- Dental exam (specially if you're suspecting oro-antral fistula) for tenderness and dental hygiene due to maxillary sinusitis
- Orbital, cranial nerves examination when complication is suspected





Nasal polyp in middle meatus

Purulent discharge

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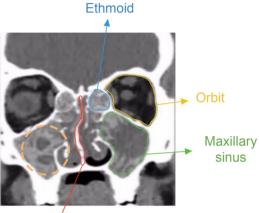
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I.		diagnosis not a radiological.
	-	Any patient with unilateral
Į.		sinusitis is a red flag for tumor.
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Cont: Chronic Sinusitis

Investigations

- Endoscopic Examination: to assess erythema, edema, discharge, polyps, anatomical variations
- **CBC:** for WBC and eosinophilia (CRSwNP)
- Sinonasal swab for culture
- **CT scan:** most important to establish diagnosis, to assess severity and extent of disease, to r/o complications and for surgical planning and mapping.
- MRI: in cases of orbital and intracranial complications
- **Other tests:** IgE and other immunoglobulins, ESR¹, CRP, RF, ANA, C-ANCA¹, P-ANCA², lymphocytes subtypes, HIV serology.
- Allergy assessment Septum
- Chloride sweat test³ and ciliary brushing
 - Mostly fungal Orbit, because it has areas of hypodensity and areas of hyperdensity (double densities area) which is characteristic of a fungal infection example of **allergic fungal sinusitis**. bilateral opacification of the nasal cavities, usually a sign

of an inflammatory process or polyps. $\underline{\mathsf{link}}$



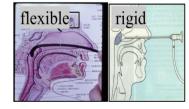
Septum

Endoscopic Examination Examination



- Rhinoscopy
- Endoscopy (two types):
 1- rigid (poorly tolerated)
 2- flouible (bost way)
 - 2- flexible (best way)

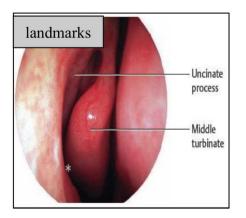


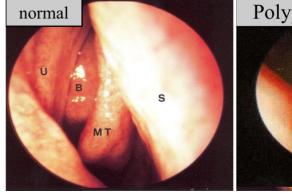


Rhinoscopy

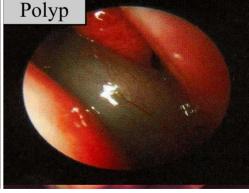
Endoscopy

Endoscopy types





U:uncinate process B:bullae ethmoidalis MT: middle turbinate S: septum



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Treatment

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Local treatment

- Intra-nasal corticosteroid sprays: mainstay Rx most imp, and it's safe since its topical steroids
- Sinus rinses: most important water and salt sprays that clean the nose and remove secretions
- Others: no evidence or recommendation against

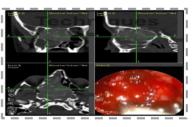
Systemic treatment

- Po Steroids: short term (5-15 days, different regimens) can shrink big polyps reduce symptoms very quickly and improve access for intranasal steroids.
- Po ATB: If polyp with signs of infection such as pus First line: amoxil, clarithromycin or azithromycin.
 Second line: Amoxi-clav, fluoroquinolone.

Surgical (FESS)

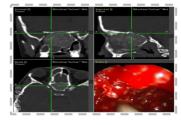
- Functional Endoscopic Sinus Surgery: opening sinus and clean it.
- gold standard for chronic rhinosinusitis, acute when there is complication
- NOT A TREATMENT, the goal of it is to open the airways to help steroids to do it's work, so DON'T stop topical steroids (FESS is an adjunctive treatment but has significant change on the patient)
- rinses, remove any obstruction and send a sample for culture and pathology.





- Computer Assisted Surgery (Navigator): Done with pt. has intracranial or intraorbital.





- Balloon Sino-plasty: new procedure, expensive, good for fronto-ethmoid recess







Radiology

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Clinical indication for diagnostic imaging:

- Not indicated in acute, uncomplicated rhinosinusitis or to confirm the resolution of the infection.
- The goal of sinus imaging is to visualize the sinus to determine if there is an underlying anatomical disorder contributing to the persistence or recurrence of symptom.
- imaging in case of chronic is used to know which sinus is inflamed and if there is complications, or in case of recurrence. we don't need imaging in acute unless there is anatomical disorder due to trauma, or severe deviation

Plain (X-ray) sinus films:

- rarely indicated, not done anymore

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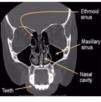
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- Plain films don't differentiate the etiology (infectious vs. non infectious)
- Correlate poorly with clinical events.
- Over 80% of children with persistent respiratory symptoms have abnormal findings on plain films.
- There is poor correlation between x-ray and C.T. scan findings.



C.T. scan:

- recurrent or chronic sinus disease when surgery is being considered.
- Complicated rhinosinusitis with signs of extension beyond the bony sinus.
- Bony changes of chronic inflammation from osteitis.
- Recurrent or presistent mucoceles.
- Large polyps on physical exam. or abnormal looking polyp.
- sinus tumors/malignancy. unilateral nasal polyp is a red flag.



Normal sinus = black because its filled with air



Mostly fungal

sinusitis, both

ethmoid and maxillary are filled



Normal maxillary

Abnormal

unilateral sinusitis mainly involving maxillary sinus "red flag"

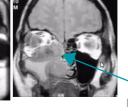
MRI:

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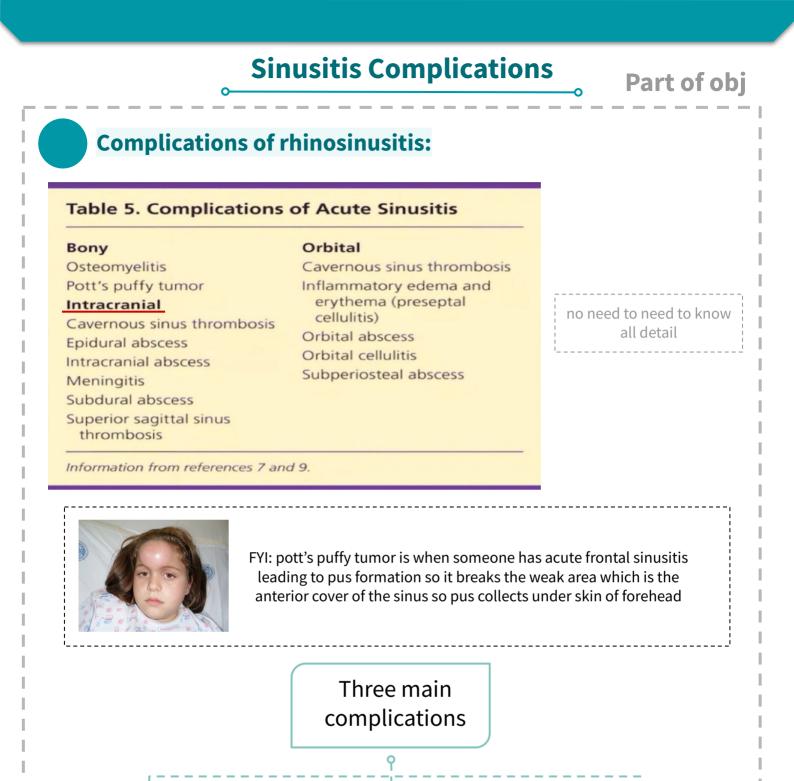
To evaluate suspected intracranial or orbital involvement of complicated of rhinosinusitis. (if you're suspecting extension of tumor to brain or orbit).

- Mapping of sinonasal neoplasms.

tumor pushing orbit



Mass pushing orbit up



Orbital Complications

Orbital

- The **frontal**, **maxillary**, **ethmoid** and **sphenoid** sinuses sit immediately **above**, **below**, between and **behind** the eyes respectively.

Cranial

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Extracranial

- Infection of any of the sinuses may spread to the orbit causing complications from mild inflammation of the eyelid to abscess with possible blindness. Intra-orbital spread of sinusitis Chandles classification "Orbital Complication" (CDV IMD (next click))
- Chandler classification "Orbital Complication": VERY IMP (next slide)

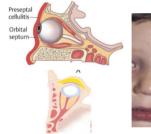
Complications of Sinusitis (Chandler classification):

Preseptal cellulitis

Stage

lid edema otherwise normal

- Periorbital inflammatory edema (cellulitis)
- Obstruction of venous channels
- No vision loss
- No EOM limitation "Extra-ocular muscle"
- Acute stage
- The infection out of the في الجفن socket of the eye (septum)
- common in children
- treated medically





Stage П

Orbital cellulitis

- diffuse edema Passed through septum to
- orbit

Orbital cellulitis with edema, chemosis, proptosis (bulging due to inflammation that pushes the orbit), pain No abscess (so we can still treat it with antibiotics) Ophthalmoplegia may occur due to edema (not due to muscle its due to lid swelling) or spasm

Partial/ total visual loss.

(Visual loss requires emergency surgery)











usually seen near lamina papyracea & from

the ethmoid sinus

- Under periosteum, starts pushing muscles of eve movement, so eve movement will be affected. also pushes the nerve a little but mainly muscles
- Vision decreased depends on size of abscess
- we put him on ABx and assess vision. we have to drain it surgically if didn't respond to ABx
- Globe displaced laterally or downward
- Orbital cellulitis present with decreased EOM





Stage IV

Orbital abscess

collection within orbit

- Severe proptosis and chemosis
- Usually no globe displacement
- Can lead to blindness because it starts compressing orbit nerve & can go to cavernous sinus.
- Opthalmoplegia present (can't move eye muscles)
- visual loss (13%) due to ischemia or neuritis due to the compression of blood vessels by the abscess





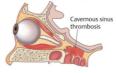


Cavernous sinus thrombosis

Stage

bilateral

- usually results from retrograde transmission through valveless veins leading to the cavernous sinus through optic nerve
- starts unilateral then becomes **bilateral** (whenever you see bilateral, it's CST)
- fixation of orbit (no movement of eye at all)
- CN II, IV, VI, III, V(v1 and v2). abducent is first to be affected
- Meningitis and thrombosis _
- High mortality 50% with antibiotics _
- Progressive symptoms
- proptosis and fixation









- The **frontal**, **ethmoid** and **sphenoid** sinuses are separated from the intracranial cavity by a layer of bone.
- If infection spread it may cause meningitis or brain abscess.
- Meningitis Common in Children
- Subdural or Epidural Abscess
- Cavernous sinus thrombosis
- Cerebral Abscess: Neurosurgery, Ophthalmology, ID (infectious diseases) (they should be involved)

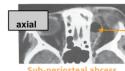
Treatment & investigations of acute complications

- Admit the patient
 - IV antibiotics: 3rd Generation of Cephalosporins + Clindamycin
 - Abscess incision & drainage and Surgery of the primary site
- Consultation of the Related Speciality



CT scan PNS (paranasal sinuses)

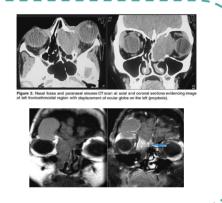
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Mucoceles

Mucoceles are chronic, cystic lesions of the sinuses lined by pseudostratified epithelium.

- Expand slowly, often requiring many years.
- Etiology Either due to obstruction of ostia or to simple obstruction of minor salivary gland. 30% are idiopathic.





Other Complications

Osteitis:

diagnose initially with technetium bone scan (osteoblastic activity) and gallium bone scan (inflammation), follow with gallium scans. Rx: parenteral antibiotics, surgical debridement, sinus surgery. **Pott's Puffy Tumor:** frontal bone osteomyelitis, soft doughy swelling of forehead, high risk of intracranial extension. Rx: parenteral antibiotics, trephination, may require surgical debridement. Superior Orbital Fissure Syndrome: fixed globe, dilated pupil (CN III, IV, VI), ptosis, hypesthesia of upper eyelid (CN V1).

Rx: urgent surgical decompression.

Orbital Apex Syndrome: similar to

similar to Superior Orbital Fissure Syndrome with added involvement of optic nerve (papilledema, vision changes).

Sino-cutaneo us Fistula: usually begins as a frontal osteomyelitis

Fungal sinusitis

Bilateral nasal obstruction, if unilateral \rightarrow rule out tumors

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Invasive fungal sinusitis

- Presence of fungal hyphae within the mucosa, submucosa, bone, or blood vessels of the paranasal sinuses
- Acute Invasive Fungal Sinusitis (cause: mucormycosis)
- Chronic Invasive Fungal Sinusitis
- Chronic Granulomatous Invasive Fungal Sinusitis

Non-invasive fungal sinusitis

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Absence of fungal hyphae within the mucosa and other structures of the paranasal sinuses.

- Allergic Fungal Sinusitis.
- Fungus Ball (fungus Mycetoma).

Acute Invasive Fungal Sinusitis:

 Most common patients in general are immunocompromised, usually due to diabetes, cancer, HIV, organ transplantation or using systemic or intranasal glucocorticoids.
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 Mucormycosis is encountered in dust and soil and enters through the respiratory tract

- Ketoacidosis predisposes to mucormycosis, as the fungus thrives in acidic environments

- Initially seen as engorgement of turbinates,

followed by ischemia and necrosis of the turbinates and adjacent nose

- The fungus invades vascular channels and causes

hemorrhagic ischemia and necrosis

- Frequently fatal. 90% mortality in

immunocompromised.

- Patients with acute invasive fungal sinusitis are usually hospitalized and are very sick with fever, cough, nasal discharge, headache, and mental status changes.

- Signs and symptoms include dark ulcers on the septum, turbinates, or palate. In the late stages, signs and symptoms of cavernous sinus thrombosis are present.

Treatment of acute invasive fungal sinusitis:

- Initial systemic antifungal treatment after **surgical** debridement.

High doses of **amphotericin B** (1-1.5 mg/kg/d) are recommended followed by oral itraconazole.
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Chronic Invasive Fungal Sinusitis:

- usually seen in patients who are less immunocompromised with a time course greater than 12 weeks

Chronic Granulomatous Invasive Fungal Sinusitis
 Treatment of chronic invasive fungal sinusitis:
 Surgical treatment is mandatory.

- Initiate medical treatment with systemic

antifungals once invasion is diagnosed.

Allergic Fungal Sinusitis:

- Nasal obstruction

- Allergic rhinitis, or chronic sinusitis Nasal congestion, Purulent rhinorrhea, Post-Nasal Drainage, or Headaches

- Patients are atopic

Unresponsive to antihistamines, Intranasal Corticosteroids, and prior immunotherapy

- Patients are always immunocompetent
- 5-10% of chronic rhinosinusitis patients actually

cases of AFS(allergic fungal sinusitis)

- Two thirds of patients report a history of allergic rhinitis.

- 90% of patients demonstrate elevated specific IgE to one or more fungal antigens.

- 50% of patients in a series by Manning et al had asthma.

- No linkage to aspirin sensitivity has been established.

Treatment of allergic fungal sinusitis:

- The treatment of choice:
 - Endoscopic debridement (FESS)
 - a perioperative short course of steroids.
- Postoperative mold containing immunotherapy is a promising therapeutic advance in limiting recurrence.
- The role of systemic antifungal therapy is inadequately studied.(just mentioned to have a complete discussion)

Itraconazole orally is well tolerated and effective in vitro against common causes of AFS

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Examination

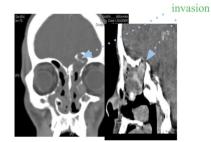
- findings are typically broad
 - intranasal inflammation and polyposis
- facial polymorphism:
 - ptosis
 - telecanthus
 - malar flattening
 - more often in children
- orbital features:
 - proptosis occuring over a long period, no diplopia.
 - visual loss, from ophthalmic nerve compression or inflammatory process



CT scan



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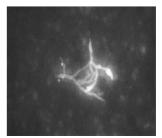


Intracranial extension



Mucin & fungal stain





437 Doctor's notes (rhinosinusitis)



Anatomy

- Frontal sinus is absent (aplastic) in most patients
- All the sinuses drain into the lateral wall, except? sphenoid (drain into the spheno-ethmoidal recess)
- middle meatus is also called "osteomeatal complex"
- medial orbital wall is called lamina papyracea



Management

- Rhinosinusitis is caused mostly by gram +
 → use penicillin or 2nd generation cephalosporin
- FESS surgery is minimally invasive
- if both medical and surgical treatment failed, what's the next step? use **biological treatment**

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Complications

- head and neck venous system is valveless infections can easily spread
- infections of membranous bones which have no bone marrow is called osteitis (not osteomyelitis)



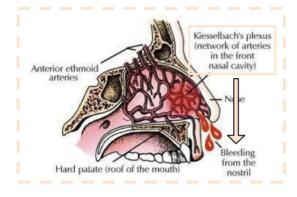
Fungal sinusitis

- how to differentiate invasive and non-invasive?
 by histopathology (if the basement membrane is intact > non-invasive)
- acute invasive vs chronic invasive fungal sinusitis? chronic: no blood invasion, no necrosis
- treatment of invasive fungal sinusitis is radical surgical (debridement until we find a fresh blood) + amphotericin B

Epistaxis

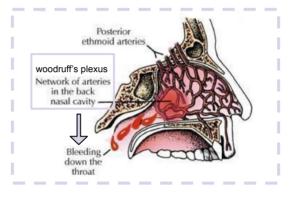
Nasal blood supply

- internal and external carotid arteries
- many arterial and venous anastomoses
- Kiesselbach's plexus (Little's area) most common area of epistaxis because it is exposed to air any irritation will cause bleeding in anterior septum (Causes anterior nose bleeding)
- woodruff's plexus in posterior septum (Causes posterior nose bleeding)



Kiesselbach's plexus/Little's area:

- 1. Anterior Ethmoid (Opth).
 - 2. Superior Labial A (Facial).
 - 3. Sphenopalatine A (IMAX).
- 4. Greater Palatine (IMAX)
- * IMAX= Internal Maxillary Art.



Woodruff's Plexus:

1. Sphenopalatine A (IMAX). * IMAX= Internal Maxillary Art.

Types of nosebleeds

Imp to know the location to manage

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Posterior (vicinity of sphenopalatine foramen) Anterior (little's area) 02 90% of cases resolve Usually occurs in older spontaneously population Most common in younger HTN and systemic diseases are common population Usually due to nasal contributing factors mucosal dryness Significant bleeding in Usually controlled with posterior pharynx conservative measures More challenging to

 More challenging to control

Local causes of epistaxis

- Mainly dryness
- **Nasal trauma (specially in kids):** digital, surgical, facial trauma, nose picking, foreign bodies, forceful nose blowing. Acute or chronic.
- Chemical irritants/ environment: pollutants, irritants, allergens
- Medications (topical), INCS, cocaine (ask for drug abuse)
- Inflammation of the nose and sinuses/ Drying of the nasal mucosa from low humidity.
- Allergic, chronic or infectious **rhinitis**.
- bleeding polyp of the septum or lateral nasal wall (inverted papilloma).
- **tumors** of the nasopharynx especially nasopharyngeal angiofibroma (e.g juvenile nasopharyngeal carcinoma), neoplasms of the nose or sinuses.
- vascular malformation.
- **Deviation of nasal septum** or septal perforation.
- idiopathic

Systemic causes of epistaxis

Usually cause general bleeding not only to the nose

- **Coagulopathy**: inherited diseases, factors deficiencies, platelets dysfunction, bone marrow suppression, Thrombocytopenia, ITP, Leukemia, Hemophilia (**bleeding disorders**)
- Vasculopathy: HHT (Hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia): abnormal, fragile blood vessels, and bleed more easily
- Anticoagulants use: Aspirin, Coumadin, other herbal and natural food
- Aging, hepatic diseases
- systemic arterial hypertension, atherosclerosis
- endocrine causes: pregnancy, pheochromocytoma



History

- Frequency, quantity
- unilateral vs. bilateral
- Dizziness or LOC
- Visits to ER
- Postural hypotension
- Hyper dynamic state due to low hemoglobin
- Nasal trauma
- Previous bleeding episodes
- Family history of bleeding like hereditary telangiectasia
- current medications and how tightly controlled
- Use of anticoagulants
- medical conditions: hepatic disease, DM, CAD, Low Hgb, etc.

Examination

- ABC's
- vital signs.
- Pallor, signs of anemia.
- Anterior rhinoscopy and Endoscopic exam: to localize area of bleeding





anterior rhinoscopy

Investigation

- CBC: Hb, MCV, MCH, PLT
- **Coagulation profile:** Standard: PT, aPTT, INR
- Coagulation factors
- Consultation for haematology
- **Cross matching** for blood transfusion
- **CT scan** sinuses if surgical intervention is needed.
- Angiography: diagnostic +/-Therapeutic artery embolization to stop bleeding.

Cont: Epistaxis



Epistaxis Management

- Pinching the nose (on cartilaginous, applying indirect pressure over Little's area)
- Bending the head over
- 2 large bore IV Lines, in case of need of fluid.
- Cross match and transfuse if needed.
- PRBCs, FFP, PLTs. cyoprecipitate.
- Localized digital pressure by pinching the cartilaginous part of nose and leaning forward so patient doesn't swallow blood for minimum of 5-10 minutes.
- Cautery: chemical vs. electrical (If pressure didn't stop the bleeding):
 - Silver nitrate cautery (Chemical cauterization) Vs. electrical
 - Don't do both sides at the same time to avoid perforation, wait 6 weeks.
- Packing: absorbable vs.non-absorbable:
 - Anterior nasal packing for refractory epistaxis (bleed after cautery, or if extensive)
 - **Post Nasal Packing**
- if everything failed:
 - Arterial Ligation: anterior ethmoid or sphenopalatine artery
 - Arterial Embolization: sphenopalatine artery (very severe epistaxis non controlled by previous measures)
- Collagen Absorbable Hemostat or other topical coagulant





and some are impregnated with antibacterial agents



If anterior packing did not control the bleeding. Can be done using a foley catheter.

- Avoid digital trauma, manipulation of the nose with fingers or other objects
- Humidification and lubrication
- Correct coagulopathy or vasculopathy
- Keep allergic rhinitis under control. Use saline nasal spray frequently to cleanse and moisturize the nose.
- Use saline-based gel intranasally for mucosal dryness
- Avoid forceful nose blowing
- Keep vasoconstricting spray at home to use only prn epistaxis

Treat the cause: correct coagulopathy or vasculopathy if so.

Diseases of nasal septum

Part of obj

- The nasal septum is made up of bone and cartilage, and blood vessels between septum and cartilage.
- It can be deviated, perforated, or collapsed.
- collagen is a-vascular and obtains nutrition by diffusion. If there was hematoma this would lead to necrosis.

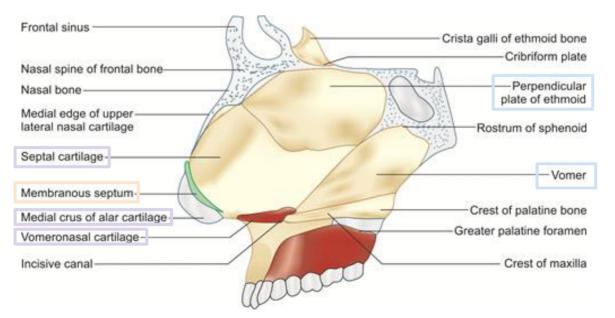
The Nasal Septum Development

1- Cartilaginous Septum

- Septal (quadrilateral) cartilage
- The vomeronasal cartilages
- Medial crura of the alar (lower lateral) cartilages
- 2- The Membranous Septum (Mobile Septum)
 - Anterior to the end of the septal cartilage
 - It is formed by skin and subcutaneous tissue of the nasal columella.
 - The nose is lined by pseudostratified columnar epithelium except the anterior 1cm which is the membranous septum is lined by squamous epithelium.
 - This membranous septum is lined by skin and hair so it will have skin disease rather than mucosal disease such as :hair follicles inflammation.

3- Bony septum:

- Composed of two major elements:
 - The Vomer: Develops from connective tissue membrane on each side of the septal cartilage. The intervening cartilage absorbed completed by mid adulthood.
 - The Perpendicular plate of the Ethmoid (Mesoethmoid):
 - Ossification completed by 17th year of age. Replacement of cartilaginous septum with thin bone. At the nasal roof it articulates with the cribriform plate and extends as the crista galli.



Inequality of Growth: Creating septal spur → Elevations and ridge like protuberances

Diseases of Nasal Septum

Part of obj

Deviated nasal septum

- Approximately 80 % of humans have DNS, any or all parts of the septum except for the posterior free border at the choanae. A common area of deflection is along the articulation between the vomer and the perpendicular plate of the ethmoid.
- DNS to one side or S shape example: anterior deviated to the left &
 posterior deviated to the right to both side. The nasal septum is rarely exactly in the
 midline, minor deviations are normal and cause no symptoms, marked deviation
 will cause nasal airway obstruction and may contribute to sinonasal pathology by
 obstructing the normal sinus drainage pathways.
- Septal deviation can be corrected by surgery, with excellent results.
- Causes: Most cases of deviated nasal septum (DNS) result from:
 - trauma, either recent or long forgotten, perhaps during birth or childhood.
 'Buckling' in children may become more pronounced as the septum grows.
 - Maldevelopment → Congenital (considered in etiology in addition to trauma).
 - **Nasal surgery**, including cosmetic surgery, can cause septal deviation. Spurs, crests, dislocation of quadrangular septal cartilage, buckling.



deviated septum



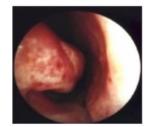


congested

compensatory hypertrophy of turbinate to prevent entry of too much air compared to affected side. that's why they might complain of bilateral obstruction



spur because only a part of septum is deviated



spur



Cont: Deviated nasal septum

Symptoms

- Nasal obstruction (most important sx) may be unilateral or bilateral
- External deformity.
- Crusting, epistaxis (due to dryness caused by air hitting the mucosa directly) (a sharp spur can be a focus for epistaxis)
- Recurrent sinus infection due to impairment of sinus ventilation, the middle turbinate on the concave side of the septum may hypertrophy and interfere with sinus ventilation.
- Anterior can cause facial pain but this is rare.
- Otitis media: DNS may impair the ability to equalize middle-ear pressure
- Septal deviations are often found in patients with allergic rhinitis.

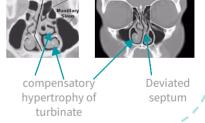


Diagnosis

- The diagnosis is mostly clinical in deviated septum: elevations and ridge like protuberances, maxillary crest is groove for septum to set sometimes we find this groove projecting little pit as result of fault growth. As well as by endoscopy or speculum.
- Radiology is unnecessary in most cases only done when patient is suspected to have sinusitis.
- NSD is a cause of sinusitis.
- As a compensation the turbinate hypertrophies.



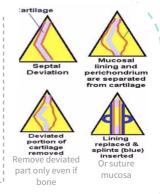
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Treatment

- If symptoms are minimal (asymptomatic) and there is only a minor degree of deviation, **no** treatment is needed.
- Submucous resection: obstructing cartilaginous and bony portion.
- Removal of deviated PART
- Septoplasty if symptomatic to correct the deviated nasal septum but it will not change the external nasal shape unless associated with rhinoplasty

we open mucosa from both sides then remove deviated part, then close mucosa again and place a stent





Perforation of the septum



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Etiology

- Nasal surgery.
- Trauma (including repeated nose-picking).
- Infection
- Drugs specially heroin because its a strong vasoconstrictor
- (Chronic inflammation, e.g. nasal granulomatosis such as TB and sarcoidosis, syphilis. it might also affect cartilage or bone) EXAM Q
- Inhalation of fumes, e.g. chrome salts.
- Cocaine.
- Tumor.



Clinical features

Clinical features depend on the size and the site of the perforation. A perforation is readily seen and often has unhealthy edges covered with large crusts.

- Asymptomatic
- Crusting because ciliary movement is responsible for moving crust to nasopharynx so in case of perforation it will be interrupted so crust will collect at edge of perforation. due to turbulence of air
- Epistaxis
- Whistling, "the smaller the size of the perforation the more the whistling" "And the bigger the perforation → the more obstruction → due to air instead of going back to the nasopharynx there's going to be turbulence "



Anterior rhinoscopy Biopsy of granulation tissue or abnormal mucosa



Treatment_

- No treatment, in asymptomatic patients
- Nasal wash
- Surgical closure by silastic button or consider sliding or rotating mucoperichondrial flaps with or without a fascial graft; contraindicated for large perforations (approximately >2 cm of vertical height)





Turbinate Hypertrophy

Part of obj

Chronic Rhinitis leading to turbinate Hypertrophy specially inferior. Common in both children and adults.



manifestations

Nasal obstruction mouth breathing



Infectious or non infectious

causes

- Compensation
- Dysfunctional
- Allergic or non allergic

Rhinitis medicementosa: Due to the overuse of nasal decongestants.
 NSD and tumor











Treatment

treatment depends on symptoms: if patient complains of obstruction then treat. If no sx even if it's size is big just leave it

Medical management

1st treat the cause if allergy treat it. we usually start by medical.

- Antihistamine
- Decongestant
- Topical nasal steroid, nasal saline, sinus rinses
- Antibiotic if sinusitis
- Immunotherapy if allergic

Surgical management

just know there are multiple surgeries & the goal is to reduce turbinate size. do surgery if medical failed

- Cold steel turbinectomy, turbinoplasty
- Lateralization/outfracture of inferior
- turbinate
- Diathermy (electrocautery)
- Laser
- Cryosurgery
- Powered microdebrider
- Radiofrequency ablation
- Coblation

In surgery we don't do total turbinectomy we just remove part of it (partial turbinectomy), because it's important for protection of the nose. if you removed the whole turbinate, it might lead to atrophic rhinitis (crusting, bad smell of nose, obstructions, dryness..)

Turbinate reduction goals:

- Mucosal preservation
- Controlled reduction
- Submucous scarring to reduce the erectile nature of the mucosa
- Bony reduction when necessary
- Minimal complications

Emergencies in nasal obstruction

Septum Hematoma

Emergency:

1

2

3

- Elevation of mucosal Septal cartilage
- necrosis
- development perichondrium with cartilage devascularization

Complications:

- Septal cartilage necrosis
- abscess
- development of a saddle-nose deformity



Extra

Septum Abscess

Emergency:

- Intracranial extension of infection

Complications:

- Septal cartilage necrosis
- development of a saddle-nose deformity
- cavernous sinus thrombosis
- intracranial infection

Mucormycosis

Emergency:

- Tissue destruction

Complications:

- Extension to brain or orbit

Nasal operations



Benefits (goals)

- Better nasal breathing
- Less secretions
- Less facial pain
- Better smell

____ If the patient complains of headache, we may not be able to minimize

These symptoms can be improved with surgery

these two symptoms with surgery, because most of the time it's a neurological issue (so don't raise patient's expectations)

Risks (think: intra-op vs. immediate vs. late)

- Bleeding (blood stain secretion)
- Infections (not seen with antibiotic use)
- Adhesions (post op follow up to catch cynakia before it matures)
- Perforation
- Recurrence/failure/un-satisfactory benefits
- Injury to Skull Base, rare
- Injury to Orbit, rare

Alternatives

- Not useful in advanced cases example: stage 4 bilateral polyp. We do surgery to facilitate treatment after surgery.
- Saline sprays/irrigations
- INCS
- PO ATB
- PO Steroids
- Biological therapy: recently approved, very effective for CRS with nasal polyps

Indications

- Failed medical treatment
- Complicated disease
- Part of another procedure
- Reasonable patient preference

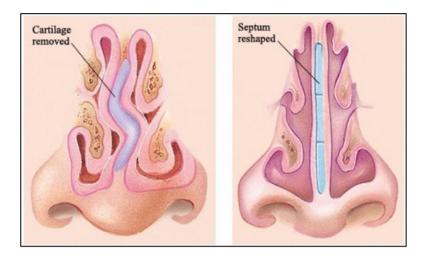
Nature

- Day surgery vs. admission (in cases of comorbidity)
- GA vs. LA
- Recovery: medications, complaints, contra-indications

Cont: Nasal operations



Septoplasty



- Surgery involves elevating mucosal flaps from the septal cartilage and resecting part of the deviated cartilage, straighten it and put it back in place.
- Septal surgery should be undertaken with caution if at all in children as it may interfere with the growth of the mid-face.
- Nowadays we go in with certain techniques "we crush the deviated part with a specific tool for that" to repair the cartilage and put it back in place and also put splint inside "removable after 5 days")

Indications of septoplasty

- Done only if the deviation causes symptoms, because a lot of people have mild deviation
- Nasal obstruction (deviated nasal septum)
- Loss of smell
- Epistaxis (when septum is deviated, air will crush it while inspiration, making it more dry, therefore more exposed to epistaxis)
- Access for transseptal sphenoidotomy (skull base approach)
- When the septum is pushing a turbinate causing headache
- chronic sinusitis (when septum is obstructing)
- Headache from impacted spur
- Septal neoplasia (rare)

Complications of Septoplasty

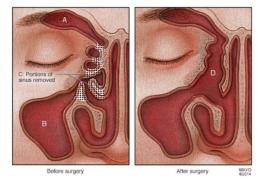
- Septal hematoma and abscess \rightarrow due to infection
- Septal perforation
- Saddle nose deformity (over resecting cartilage anteriorly)
- Synechia (Adhesions) between septum and lateral side of the nose \rightarrow will lead to obstruction.
- Cribriform plate fracture
- Anosmia
- Bleeding

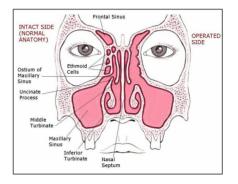


Cont: Nasal operations



Functional Endoscopic Sinus Surgery (FESS)





- minimally invasive technique in which sinus air cells and sinus ostia are opened under direct visualization. The goal of this procedure is to restore sinus ventilation and normal function.
- The idea is to remove the lamella
- We always start with uncinate process, After that we remove the anterior ethmoid, The third lamella we remove is the basal lamella of the middle turbinate.
- The extent of the surgery depends on the disease

Indications of FESS

- Chronic sinusitis
- Complicated sinusitis
- recurrent acute sinusitis, Failed medical management of acute sinusitis, fungal sinusitis,
 Obstructive nasal polyposis, Sinus mucoceles, Remove foreign bodies, Tumor excision,
 Transsphenoidal hypophysectomy, Orbital decompression, Dacryocystorhinostomy,
 Septoplasty, Orbital nerve decompression, Grave's ophthalmopathy, Choanal atresia repair,
 CSF leak repair, Control epistaxis, Orbital nerve decompression, Turbinectomy.

FESS goals

- Eradication of disease.
- Aeration.
- Drainage.
- Post op access.

FESS Landmarks (CLOSE)

- 1. Cribriform plate
- 2. Lamina papyracea
- 3. Orbit
- 4. Sphenoid
- 5. Ethmoid
- Complete extirpation of all the disease
- Permanent drainage and ventilation of the affected sinuses
- Postoperative access to the previously diseased areas.

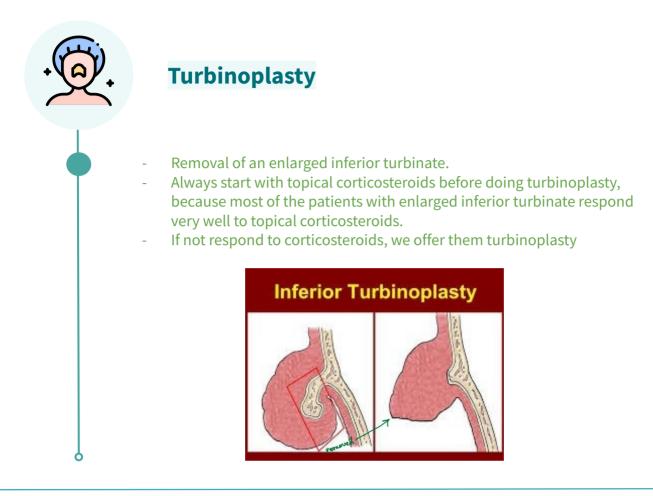
The steps of FESS

- - 1. Medialized middle turbinate
 - 2. Excise uncinate process
 - 3. Anterior then posterior ethmoidectomies
 - 4. Sphenoidotomy
 - 5. Frontal recess sinusectomy
 - 6. Create maxillary antrostomy

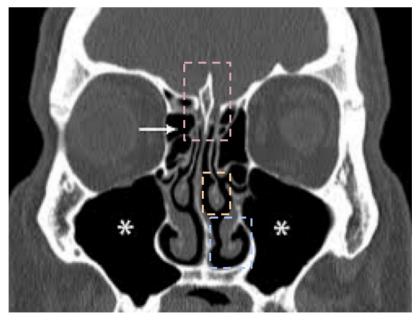
Postoperative Care

- Sinus Packing.
- Oral Antibiotics for a minimum of 2 week.
- Aggressive nasal hygiene to prevent adhesions (saline irrigations).
- Nasal steroids.
- Nasal debridement at 1, 3, and 6 weeks.

Cont: Nasal operations



CT SCAN



As you can see, the attachment of the middle turbinates can change, could be into the skull base sometimes . **crysta gali:** part of perpendicular plate of ethmoid bone Middle turbinate Inferior turbinate

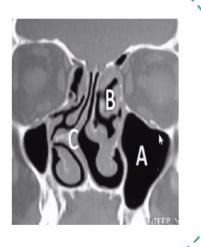
Questions from 437 Dr's slides

Q1. A 25 year old man post RTA with fever and nasal obstruction.

- What is your diagnosis?
 Bilateral Septal Hematoma or abscess due the presence of FEVER.
- What is your management? Antibiotic and incision & drainage



Q2. What is the Radiological study? CT What is A, B and C? A is the maxillary sinus B is the ethmoid C is the deviated septum



Q3. This is a CT of a newborn who presented with respiratory distress.

- What is your diagnosis? Bilateral choanal atresia
- What is the management? Initial: oropharyngeal airway Definitive: perforation



Questions (thanks to 436)

- 1- A child presented with foul smell from the nose with discharge and obstruction what is the most common condition?
- A. Foreign body
- B. Polyp
- C. Allergic rhinitis
- D. Nasopharyngeal carcinoma

2- Young Patient came with unilateral nasal obstruction. In endoscope we found a pedunculated friable mass that

bleeds with touch. What's the diagnosis?

- A. Nasopharyngeal cancer
- B. Inverted papilloma
- C. Allergic fungal sinusitis
- D. Chronic rhinitis

3-20 year-old lady had aggressive inferior turbinectomies few years ago. Since then she is complaining of nasal obstruction,

with foul nasal smell. What is the possible complication?

- A. Allergic rhinitis.
- B. Atrophic rhinitis.
- C. Chronic sinusitis.
- D. Nasal polyp

4- 30 year-old women complaining of headache increase on leaning forward during praying and mucopurulent post-nasal discharge.

On examination, there was nasal discharge in both nasal fossae. What is the investigation required to reach the diagnosis?

- A. Skin allergy test.
- B. CT sinuses.
- C. Plain x-ray to the nasal bone.
- D. Full blood count.

5- A 20 years old patient was on antibiotics for acute frontal sinusitis. He developed diplopia, decreased vision in the

Answers:A/B/B/B/B

left eye and pain behind the left eye. What is the diagnosis?

- A. Brain abscess
- B. Cavernous sinus thrombosis
- C. Preseptal cellulitis

Questions (cont.)

6-78 year-old patient noticed right sided nasal obstruction associated with a bloody discharge that had developed over

the last month. What is the most likely diagnosis?

- A. Adenoidal hypertrophy.
- B. Allergic rhinitis.
- C. Carcinoma paranasal sinuses.
- D. Nasal polyposis.

7- A New born child had cyanosis and difficulty breathing immediately after delivery. The cyanosis improves with

crying. Which of the following is the most likely diagnosis?

- A. Enlarged Adenoid
- B. Laryngomalacia
- C. Laryngeal web
- D. Bilateral choanal atresia

8- A 45 years old patient presented with progressive bilateral nasal obstruction. He was diagnosed as a case of bilateral nasal polyp. He underwent polypectomy and histological examination was required. What is the expected finding that confirms the clinical diagnosis?

- A. Benign neoplasm
- B. Granuloma
- C. Malignant neoplasm
- D. Oedematous mucosa

9- A 12-year-old girl is complaining of left unilateral nasal obstruction worse on expiration for 5 months. Examination of

the nose showed a single pale grayish glistening pedicle mass in the posterior part of the left nasal cavity. A CT showed pacification of the left nasal cavity, maxillary sinus and the nasopharynx. What is the most likely diagnosis?

- A. Antrochoanal polyp
- B. Inferior turbinate enlargement
- C. Mucocele
- D. Juvenile angiofibroma

Answers:C/D/A/A

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