

Otology I

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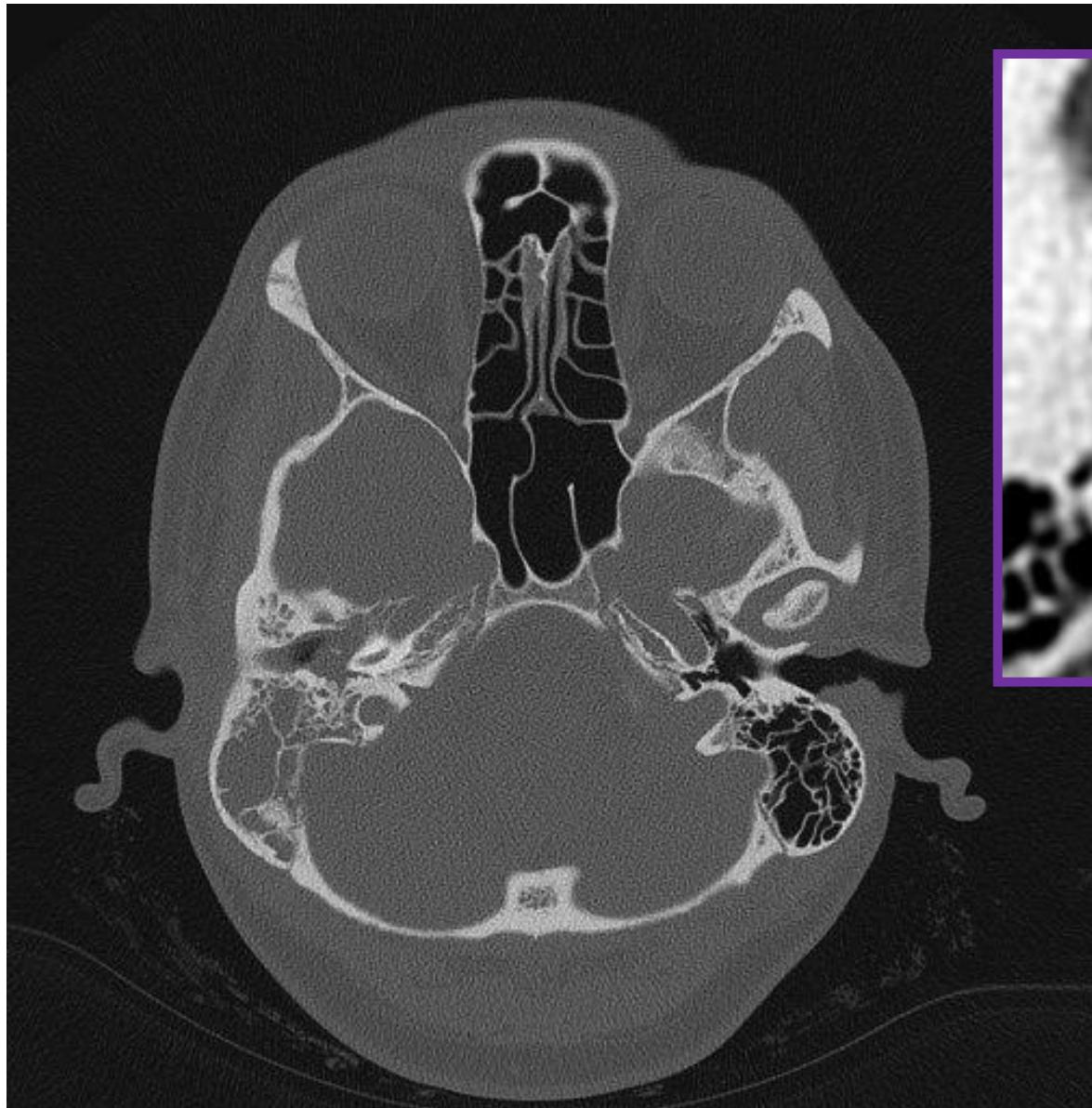
Temporal bone tumors?

-> Skull base lecture

Vestibular disorders?

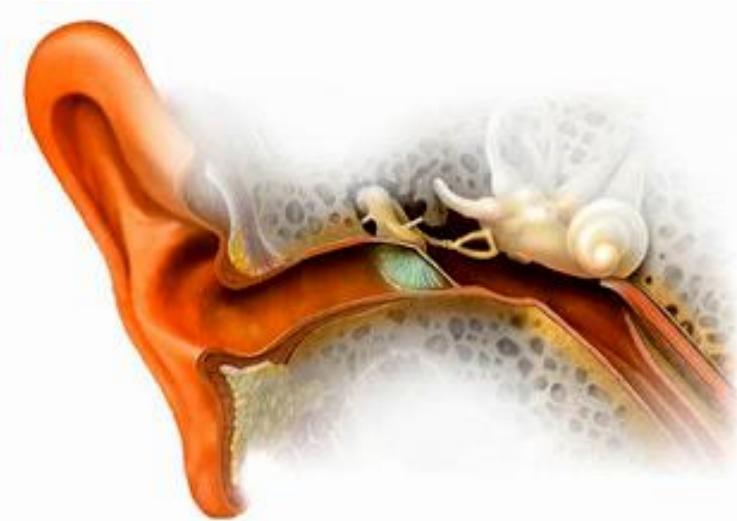
-> Otoneurology lecture

Temporal bone anatomy



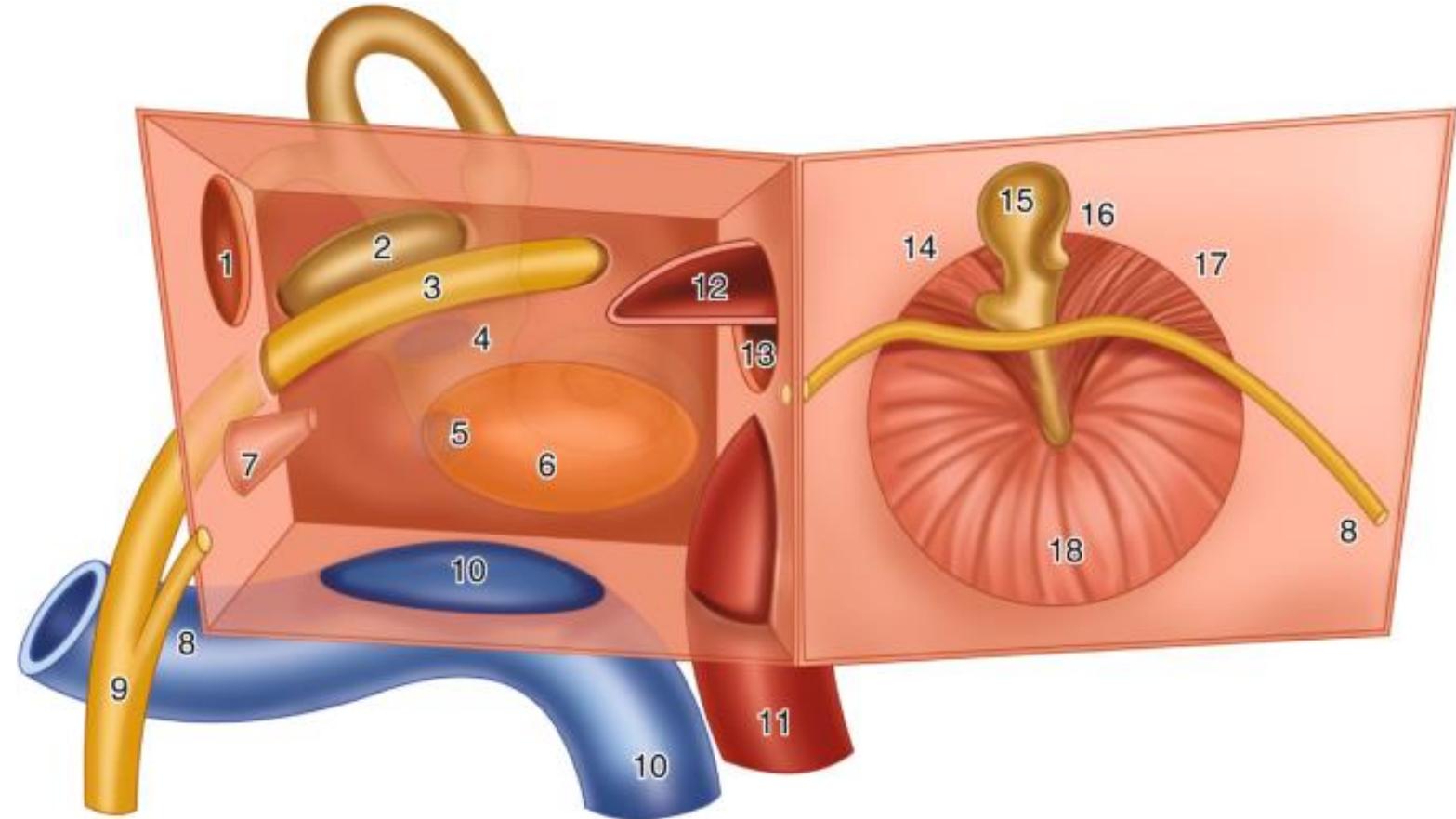
- The most complicated bone
- Many important vascular and neural structures in a very small space

Temporal bone anatomy

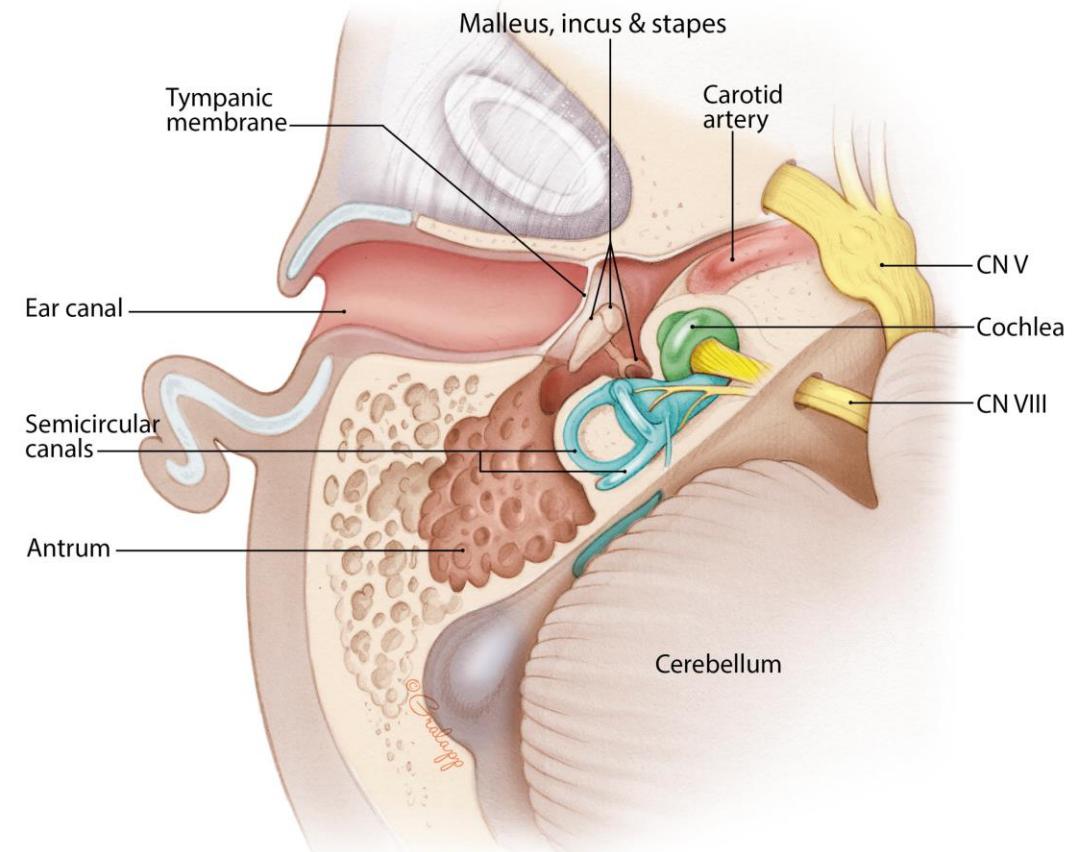
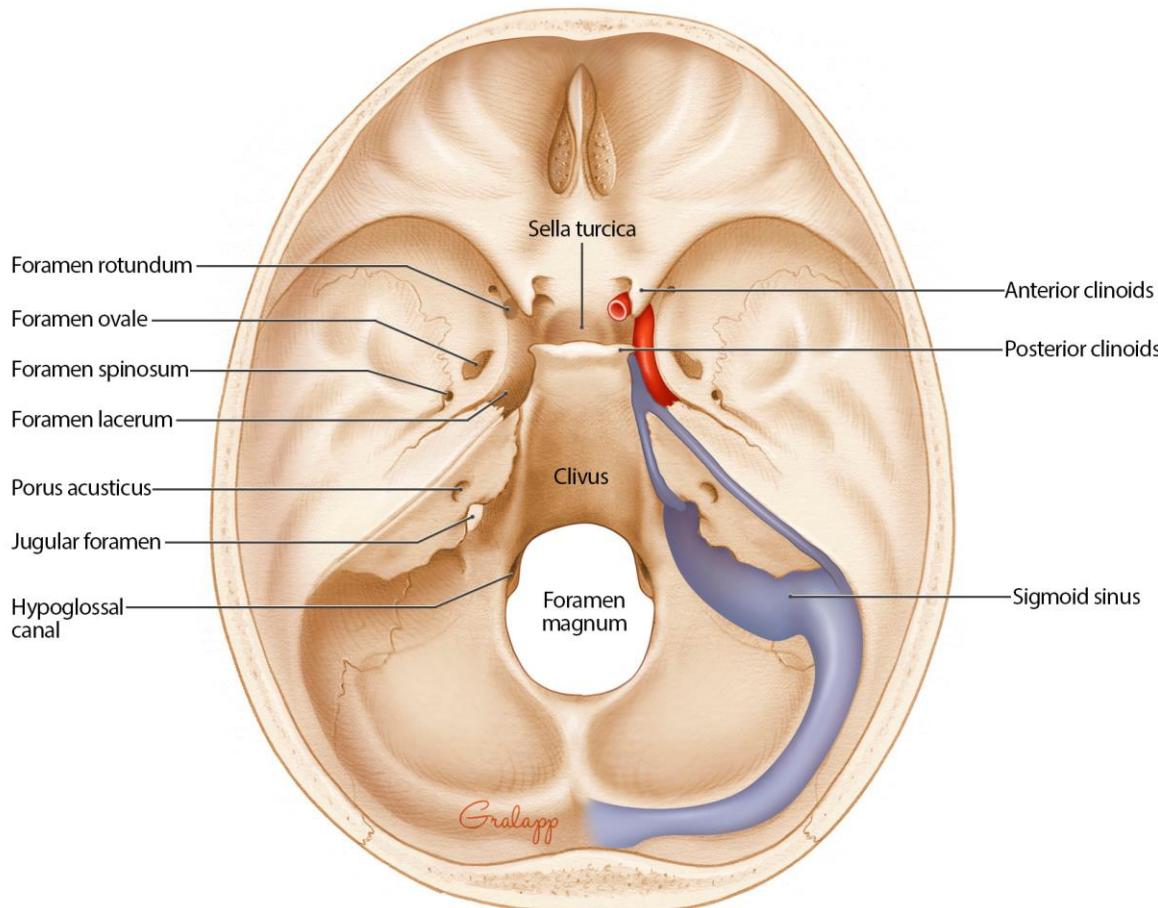


Ear

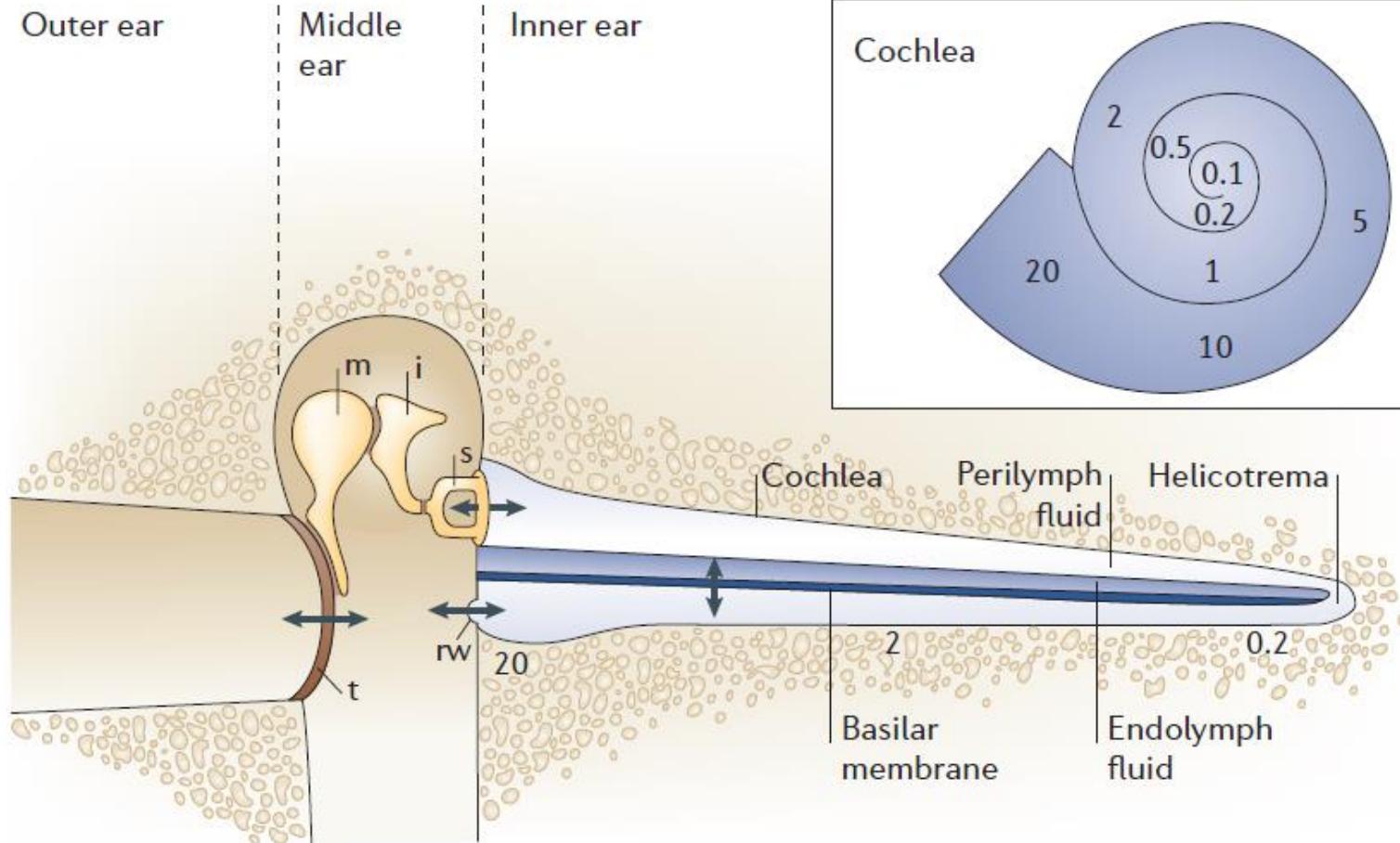
- External
- Middle
- Inner



Temporal bone anatomy



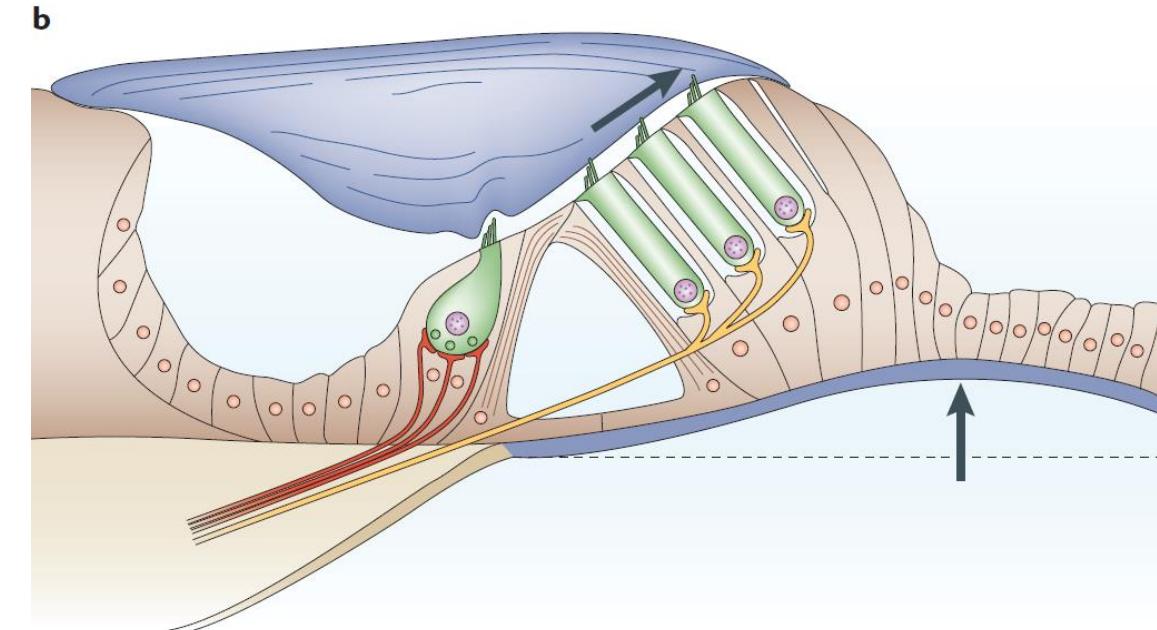
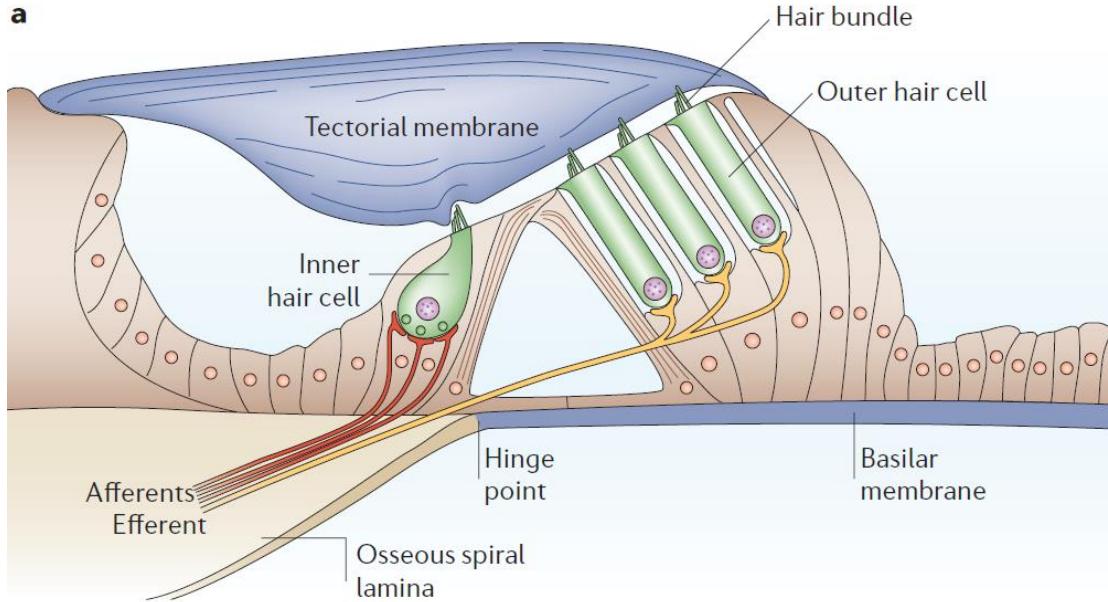
Physiology and pathophysiology of hearing



Hearing disorder

- > conductive
- > sensorineural
- > combined

Physiology and pathophysiology of hearing



Zdroj: Fettiplace, 2006, Nature review, Neuroscience

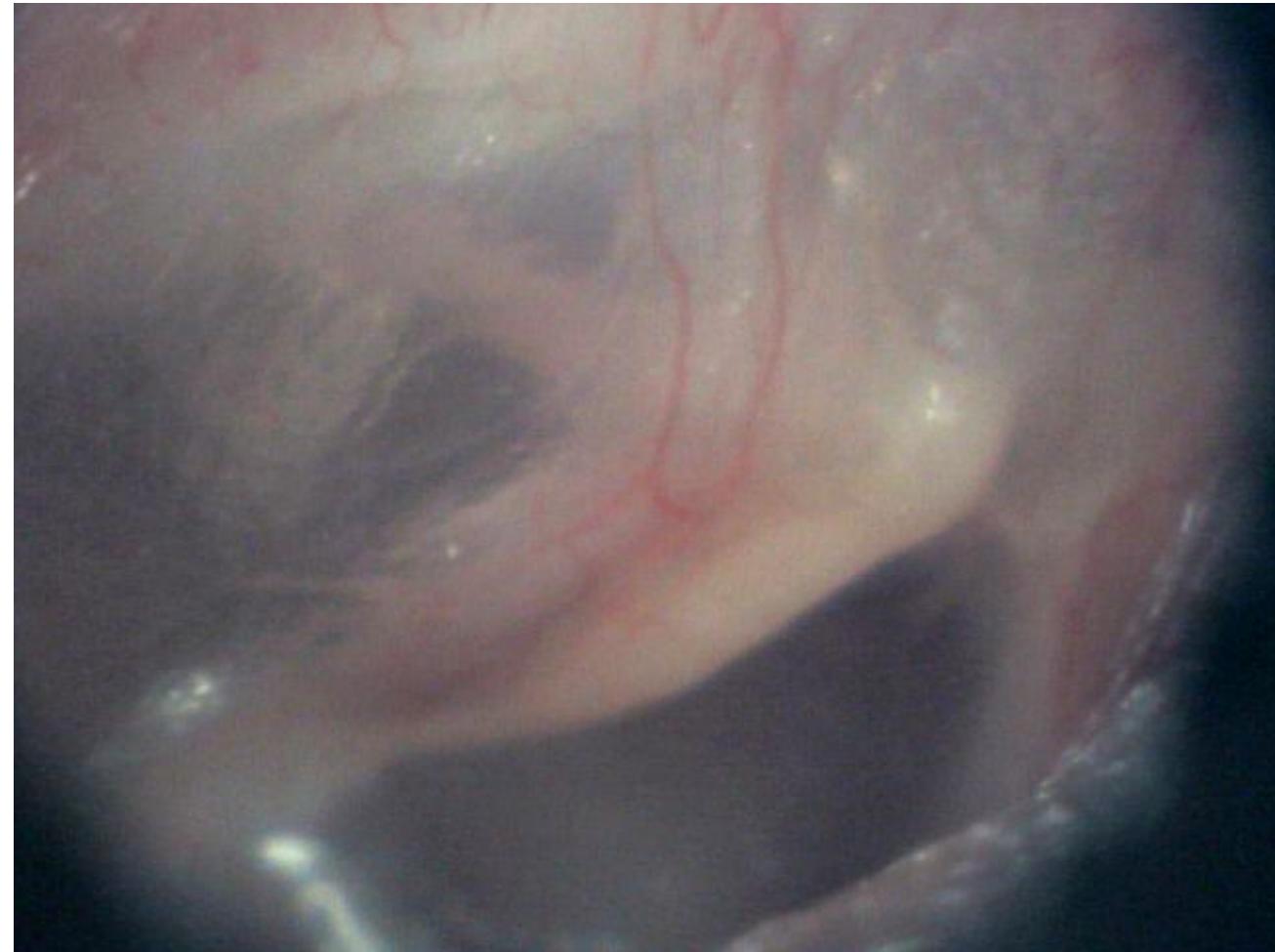
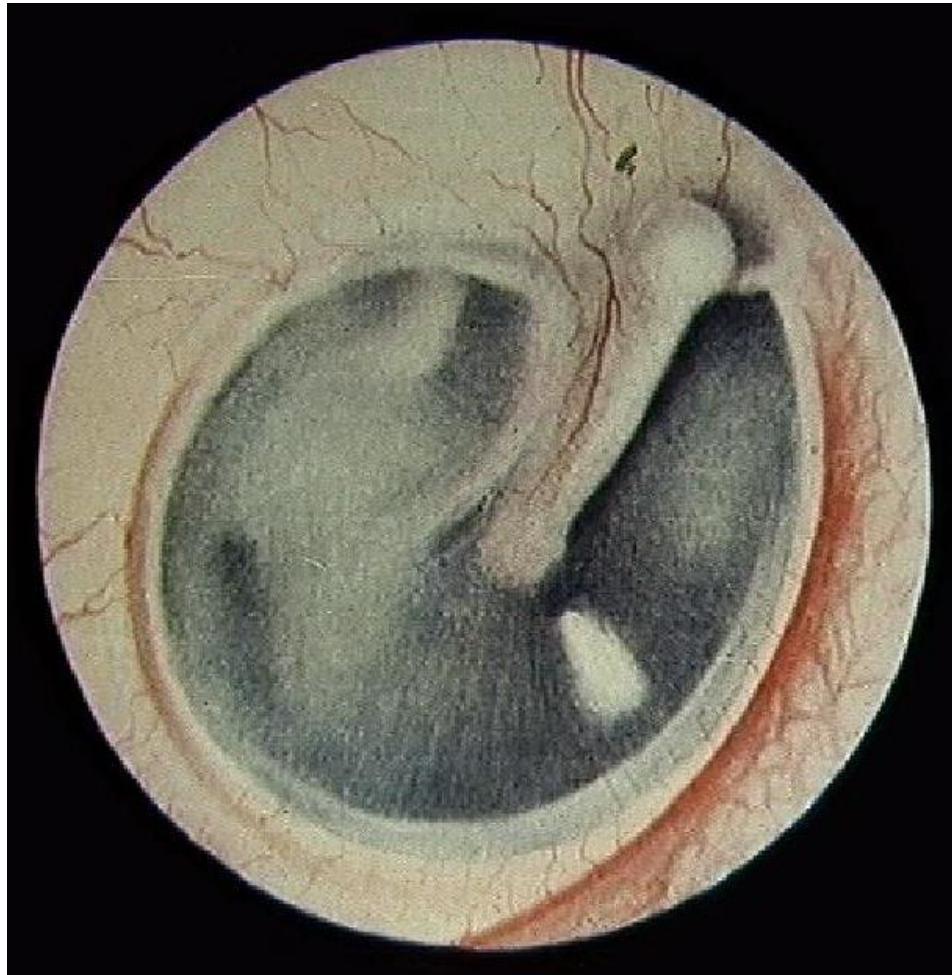
Outer hair cell movement -> otoacoustic emissions

Deterioration of outer hair cells- > loudness recruitment

Examination methods in otology

- Otoscopy/ otomicroscopy / otoendoscopy
- Audiological testing
- Imaging methods

Otoscopy



Basic audiological testing

Subjective

- Tuning forks
- Pure tone audiometry
- Speech audiometry
- Tympanometry + Stapedial reflexes

Objective

- Otoacoustic emissions
- Auditory brainstem response (ABR, BERA)

Hearing problem?

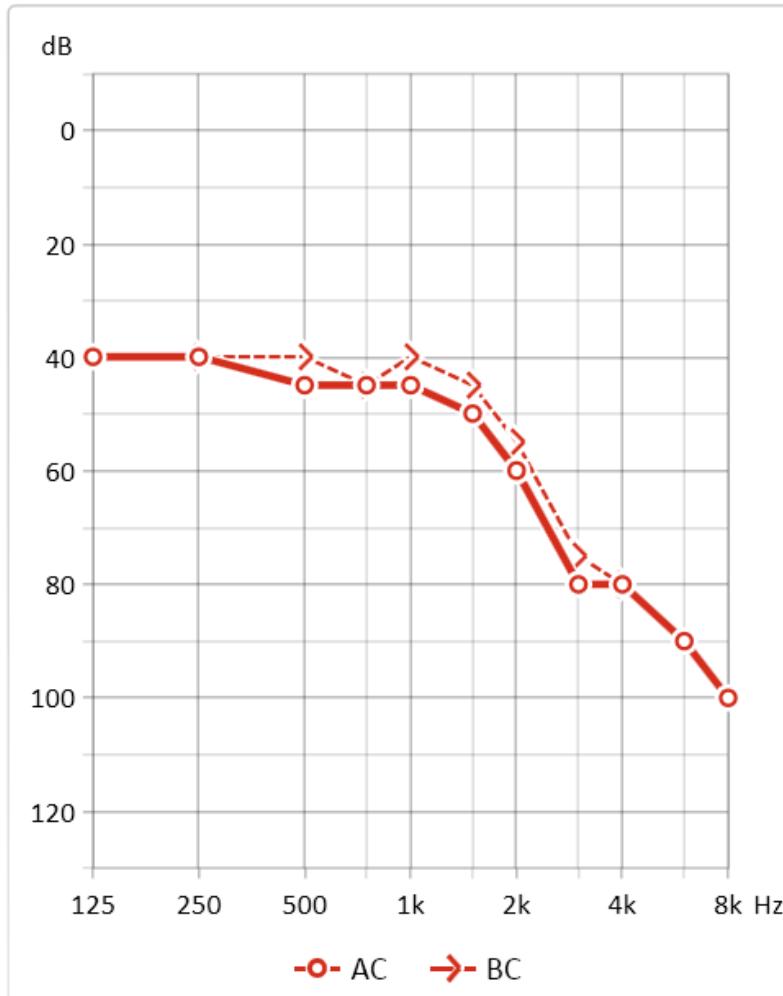
Sensorineural x Převodní vada ?



Cochlear x retrokochlear ?

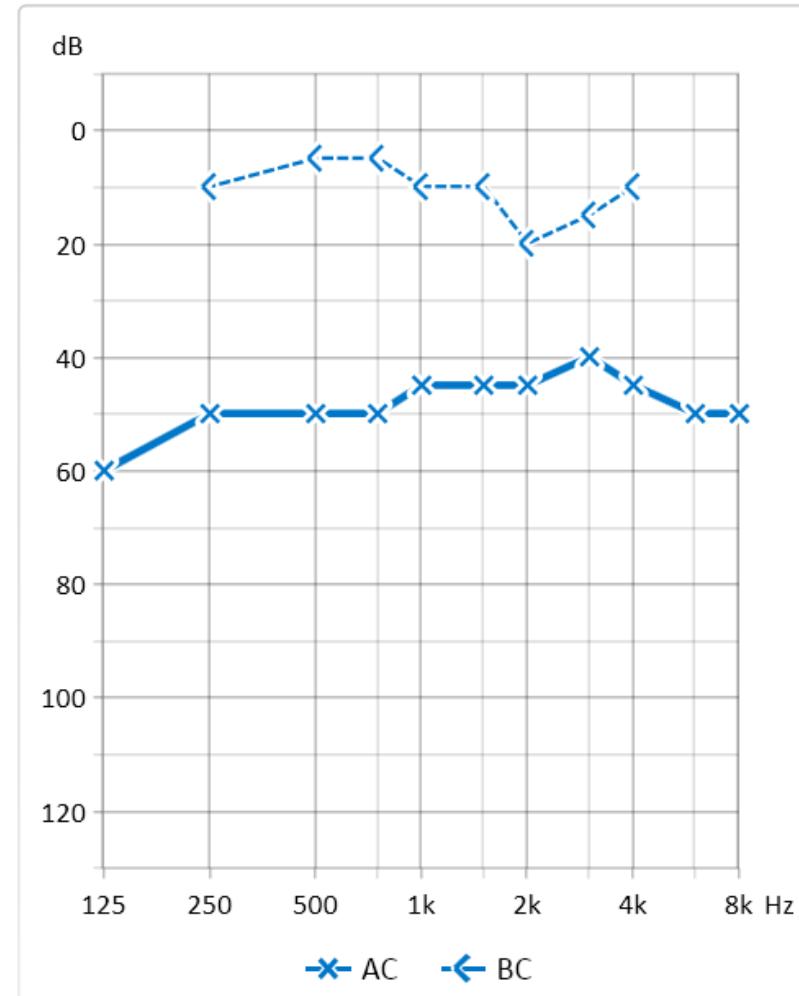
Pure tone audiometry

Pravé ucho



Audiogram (dB sluchová ztráta)

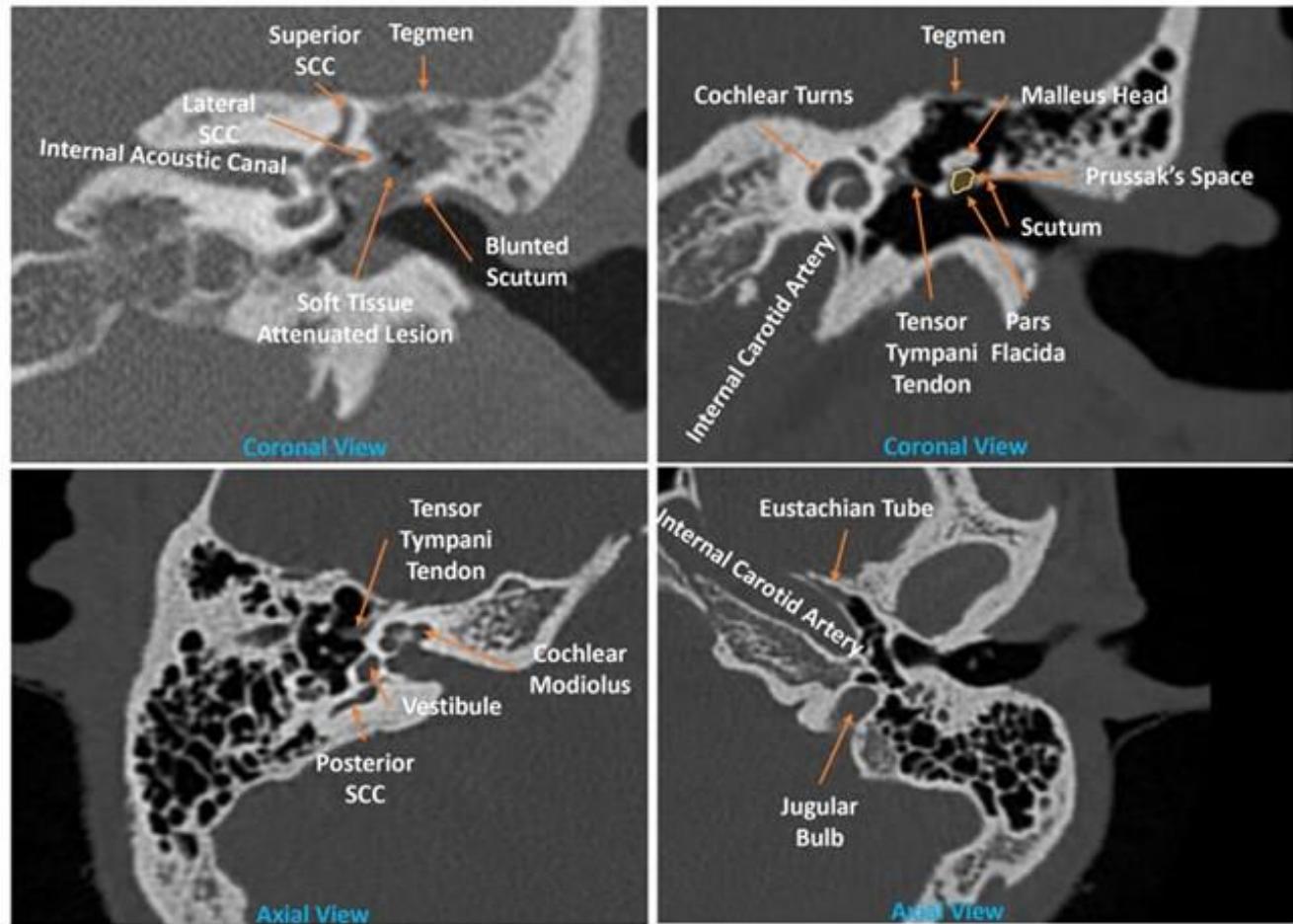
Levé ucho



Imaging methods

- **HR CT**

- > 0,5 – 1 mm slices



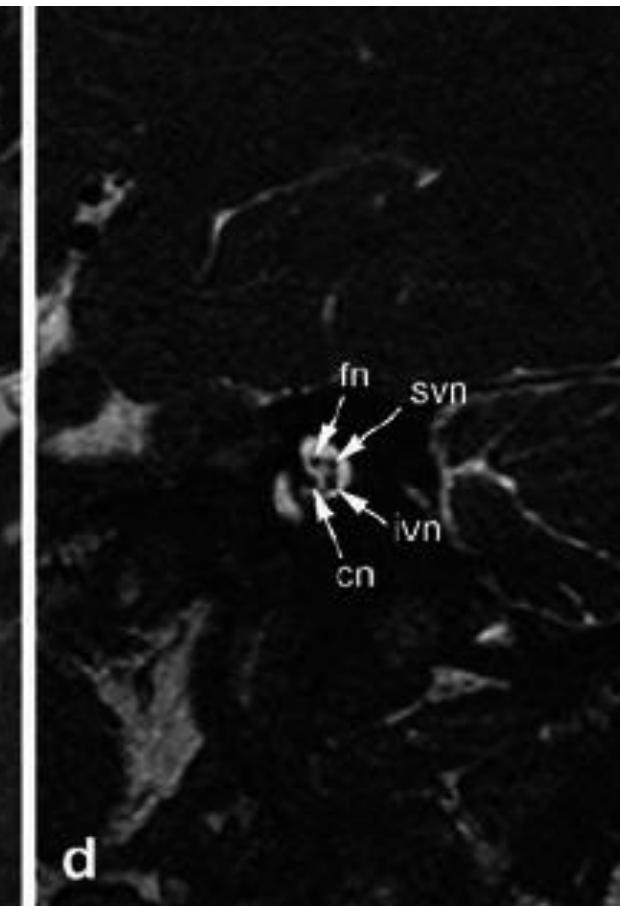
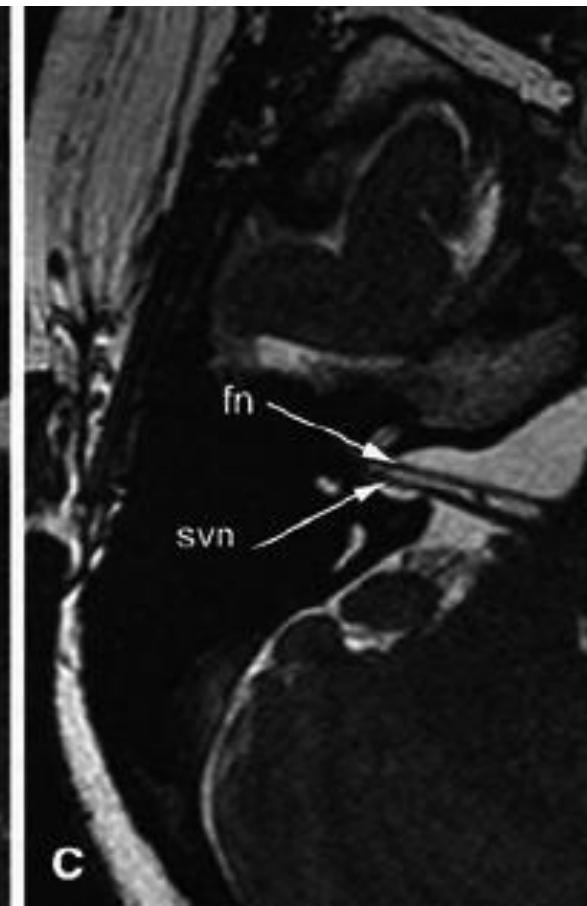
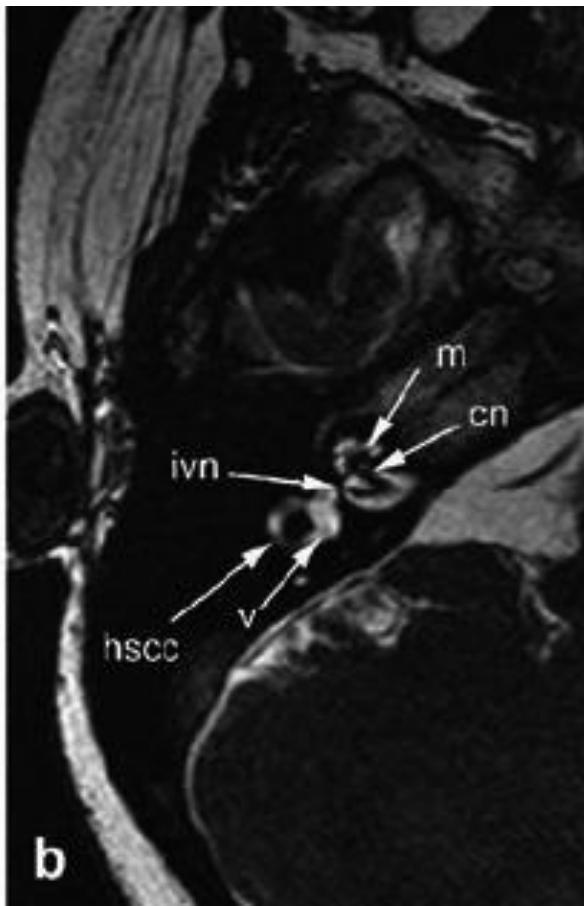
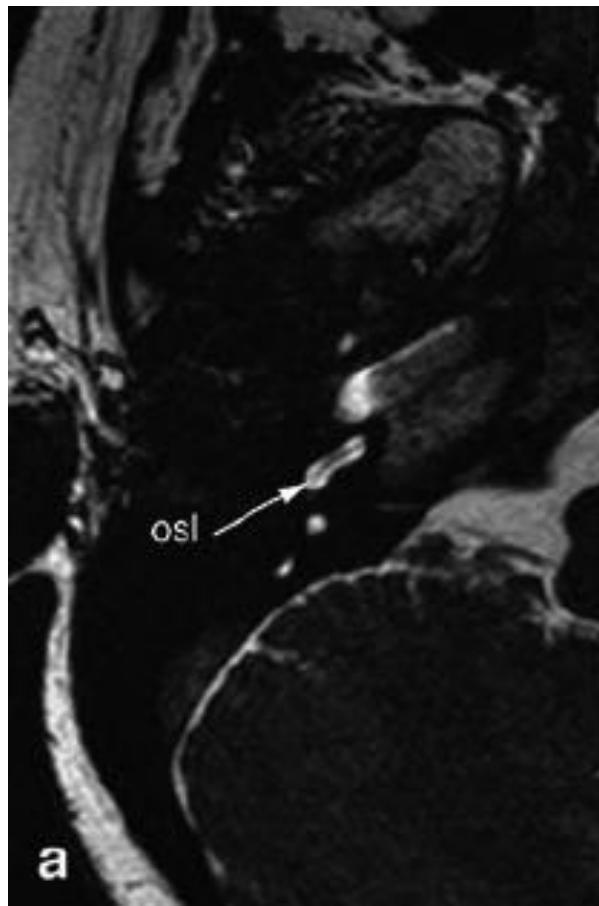
- **MRI**

- > T1 a T2 sequentions

- > for inner ear T2 high resolution sequences (FIESTA, FISP)

- > non-echoplanar DWI sequence (HASTE) for cholesteatoma

MRI

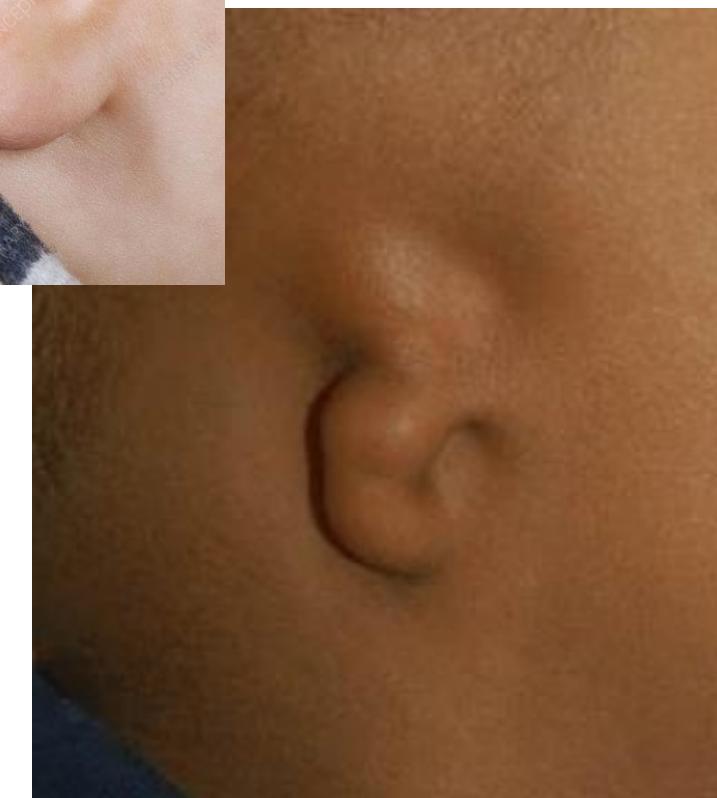


External ear diseases

- Developmental disorders
- Trauma
- Infectious/Inflammatory
- Tumors

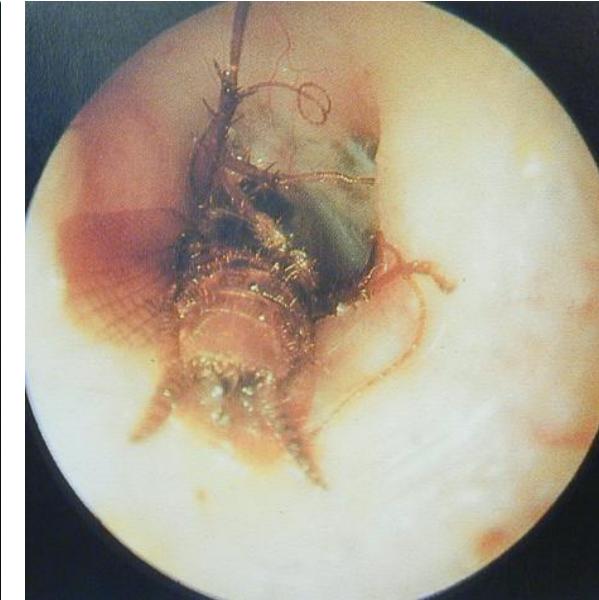
Developmental disorders

- Apostasis
- Microtia a anotia
- Preauricual appedage
- Stenosis / atresia of externa ear canal



Trauma

- Foreign bodies



- Othaematoma



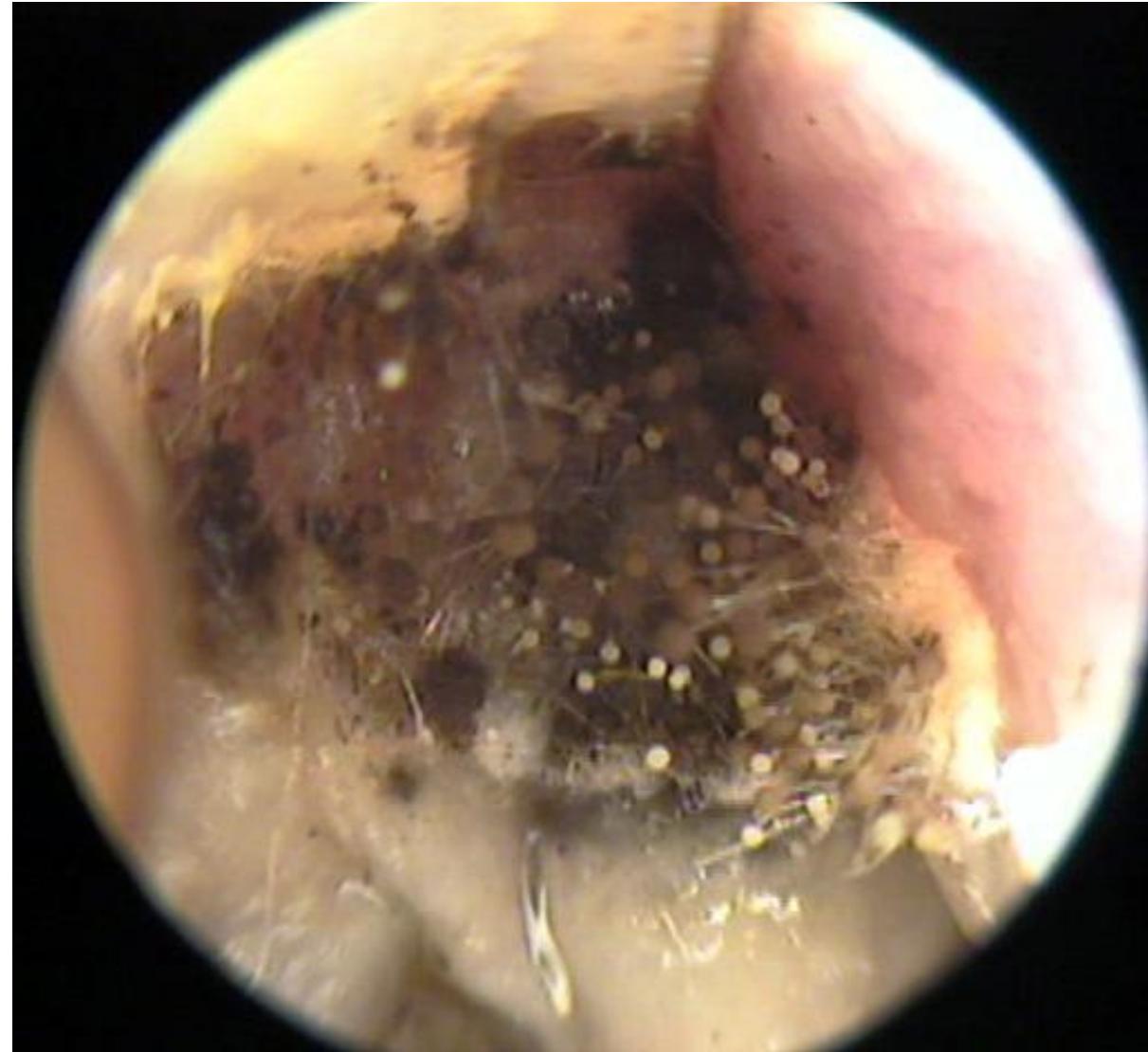
Ear wax— obturated cerumen



Infectious diseases (otitis externa)

- **Infections of pinna/auricle :** erysipelas x perichondritis, systemic ATB
- **Infections of ear canal:** bacterial (P.aeruginosa, S. aureus) x mycotic x viral
 - Pain, hearing problem, secretion
 - Summer disease - „swimmer's ear“
 - Local treatment in most of the cases - ATB
 - Herpetic dermatitis + n VII palsy + - inner ear impairment = **Ramsey Hunt sy**
 - **Otitis externa maligna** = temporal bone osteomyelitis, DM II

Mycotic external otitis



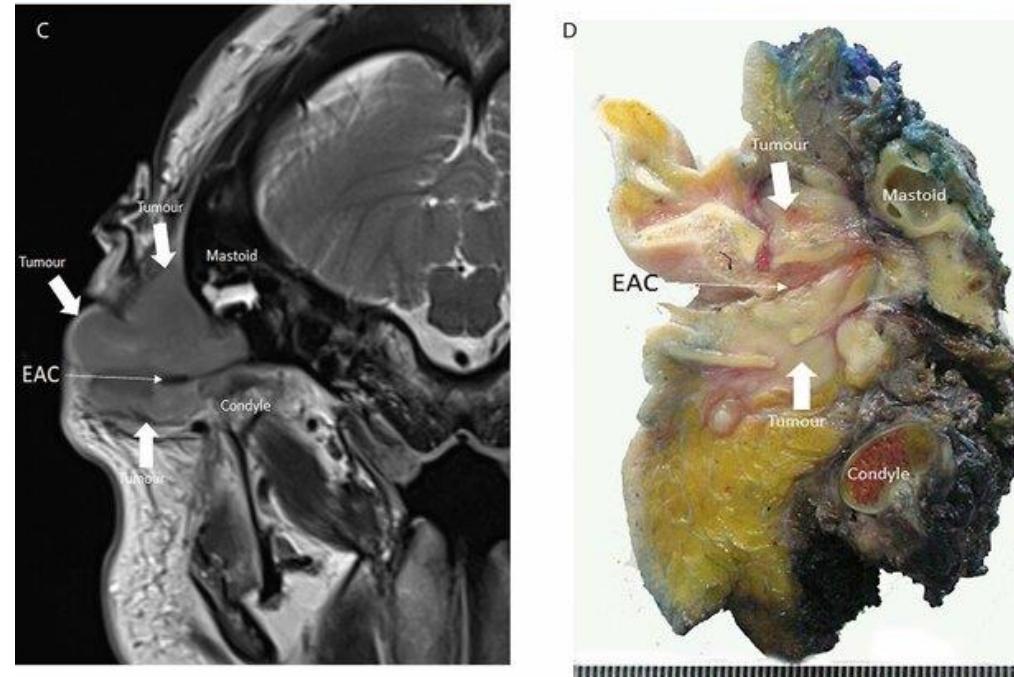
Tumors

- Basalioma -> radical excision
- SCC -> radikální excize + staging regionálních LU (USG)
- **SCC of external ear cnal** -> late dg, poor prognosis
 - extensive surgery + RT
- Exostosis / osteoma of ear canal -> recurrent inflammations

Basalioma → resection + reconstruction



SCC of external ear canal - lateral temporal resection



Sandison et al 2022

Middle ear disease

- Trauma
- Acute inflammatory diseases = acute otitis media
- Chronic inflammatory disease (> 6 weeks) = chronic otitis media
- Complications of middle ear inflammatory diseases

Traumata

- Tympanic membrane perforation – mechanical x barotrauma
 - spontaneous healing x myringoplasty
- Middle ear ossicles fracture / disconnections
- **Temporal bone fractures** – division based on the affection of otic capsule
 - mostly non surgical treatment
 - *indication of surgery : acute n VII palsy, major bleeding prolonged liquorhea*

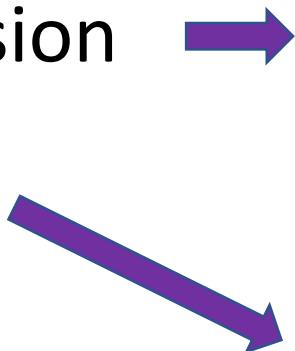
Acute otitis media (AOM)

- Common in children 6m – 6y
- More than 80% of children < 3y have at least 1 attack of AOM
- Follows infections of the upper airways
- Predisposition in children: shorter and more horizontally oriented ET, adenoid vegetation, immunological predispositions
- Eti: bacterial– Strp. pneumoniae, H. influenza, Strp. group A

Acute otitis media

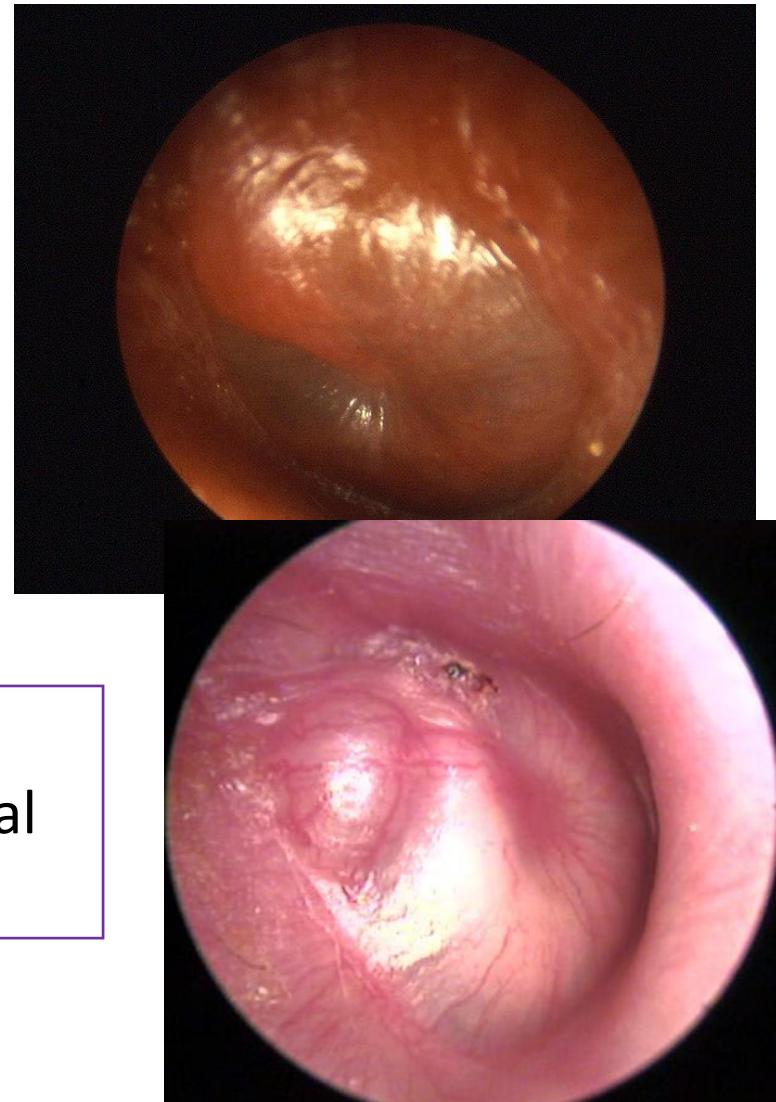
Stages

- Tubar occlusion
- Exsudation
- Suppuration
- Reparation



Therapy – local analgetic ear drops, nasal drops, painkillers

Therapy – Paracentesis + - ATB / Systemic ATB, + - local ATB



Chronic otitis media

Classification:

- Chronic secretory otitis media
- Chronic suppurative otitis media
 - Active
 - **With cholesteatoma**
 - **Without cholesteatoma**
 - Non-active = retraction pocket, adhesions, fixation of ossicles



Chronic secretory otitis media

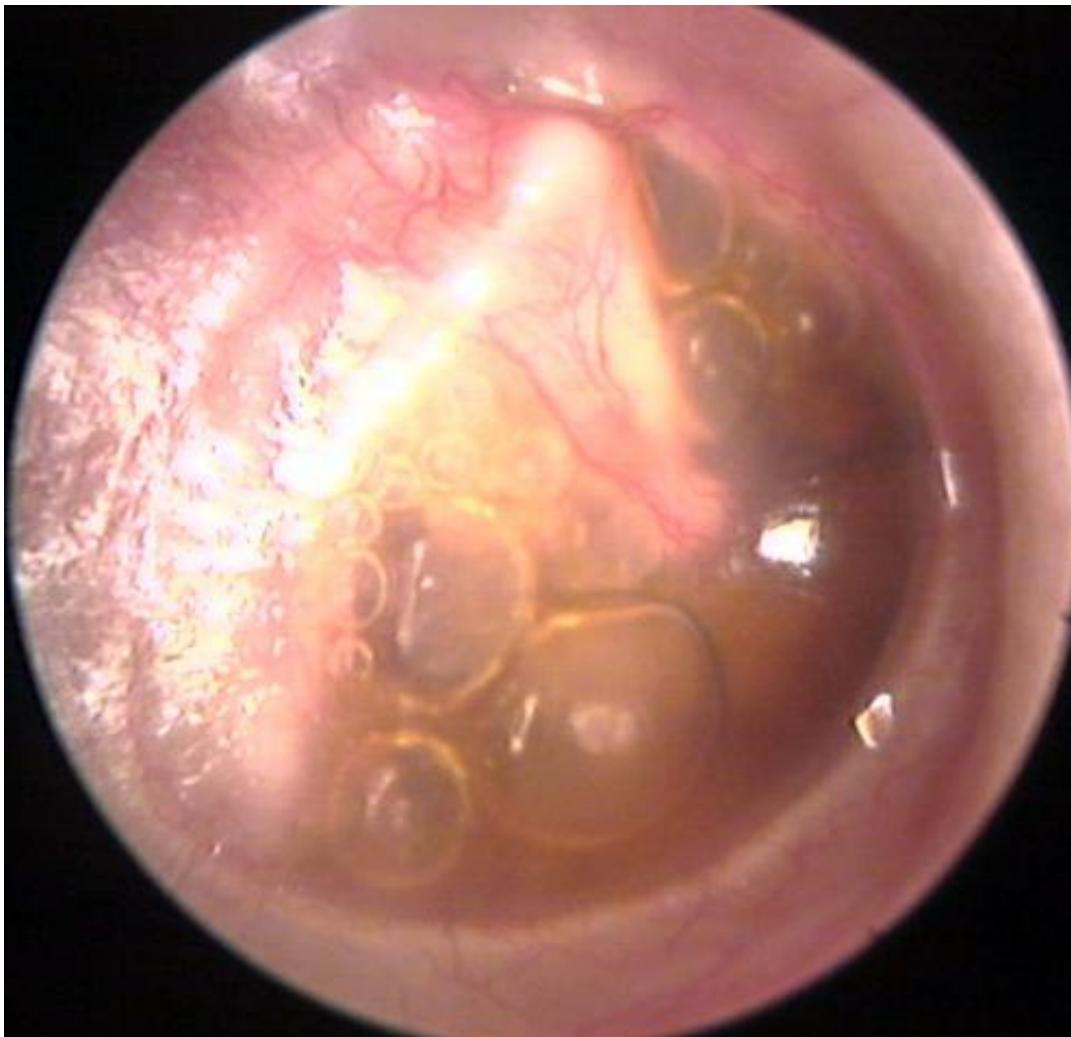
- Organizing effusion in the middle ear cavity due to dysfunction of ET
- Slow progression, typically sensation of „ear plug“
- Longterm consequences-> tympanosclerosis, cholesteatoma, developmental disorders in children

Etiology:

Children: adenoid vegetations, developmental malformations (cleft)

Adults: **tu on nasopharynx**, chronic inflammations, functional

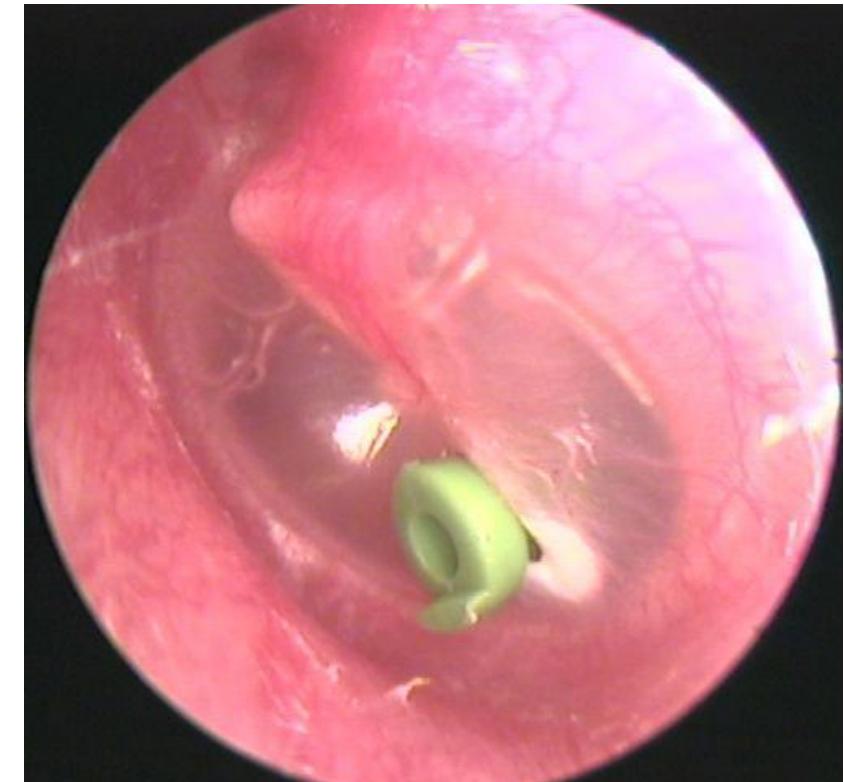
Chronic secretory otitis media



Chronic secretory otitis media

Therapy

- Upper airways treatment (adenotomy, tumor management)
- Nasal decongestion, local corticosteroids
- **Tympanostomy** - drainage, ventilation



Chronic otitis media with cholesteatoma

Cholesteatoma

= Squamous cell epithelium in the middle ear (**„skin on a wrong place“**,
Robinson JM, J Royal Society of Med. 90:93-96, Feb 1997)

Histology:

- Cystic content – keratine layes
- Matrix – keratinizing epithelial layer
- Perimatrix – granulation tissue on the surface (production of osteolytic enzymes)

Epitympanal inflammation is typically associated with cholesteatoma development

Chronic otitis media with cholesteatoma

Classification

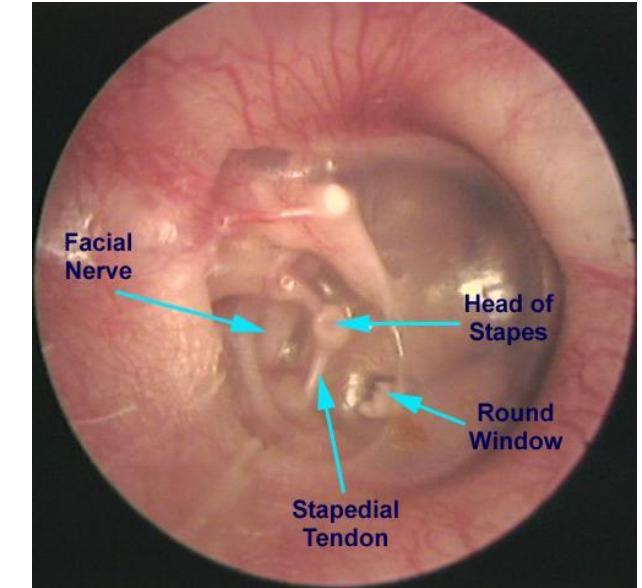
- Congenital (behind compact eardrum)
- Acquired

➤ Primary

- from retraction pockets

➤ Secondary – different theories

- Implantation (during surgery, trauma)
- Metaplasia (due to chronic inflammatory irritation)
- Invasion (through perforations)



Chronic otitis media with cholesteatoma

Existing Theories of Cholesteatoma Pathogenesis

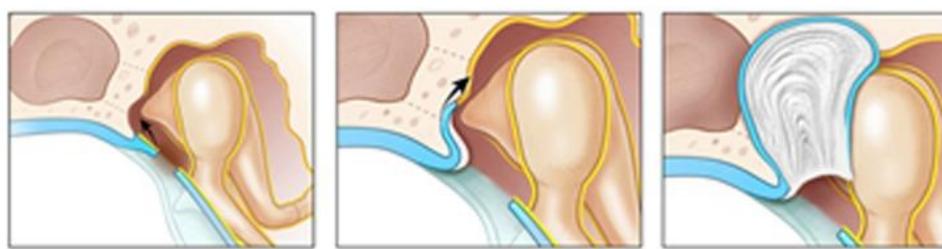
Obstruction / Vacuum Retraction



Squamous Metaplasia



Squamous Immigration



Squamous Basal Hyperplasia



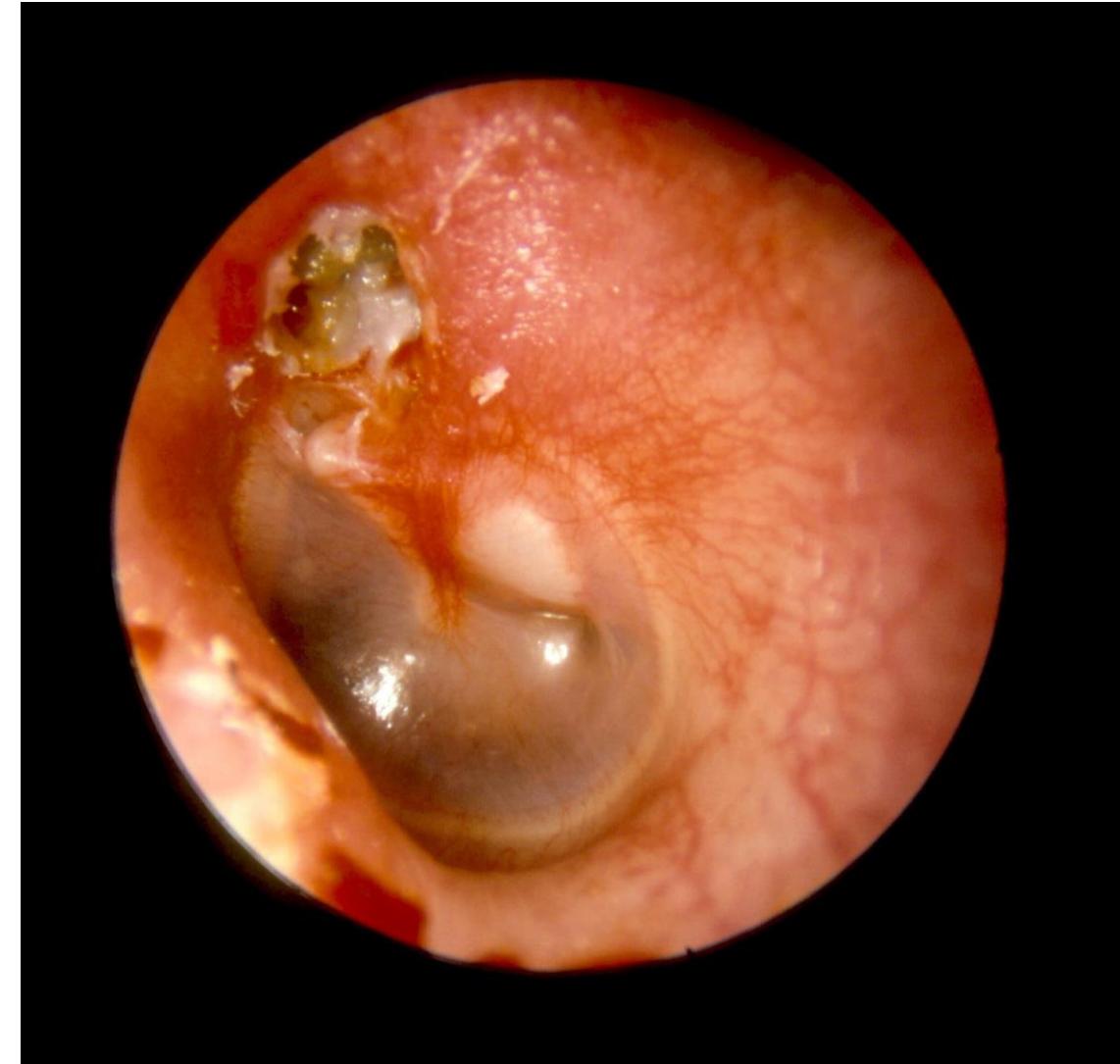
Chronic otitis media with cholesteatoma

Symptoms:

- Continuous/ intermittent secretion
- Pain
- Hearing problem

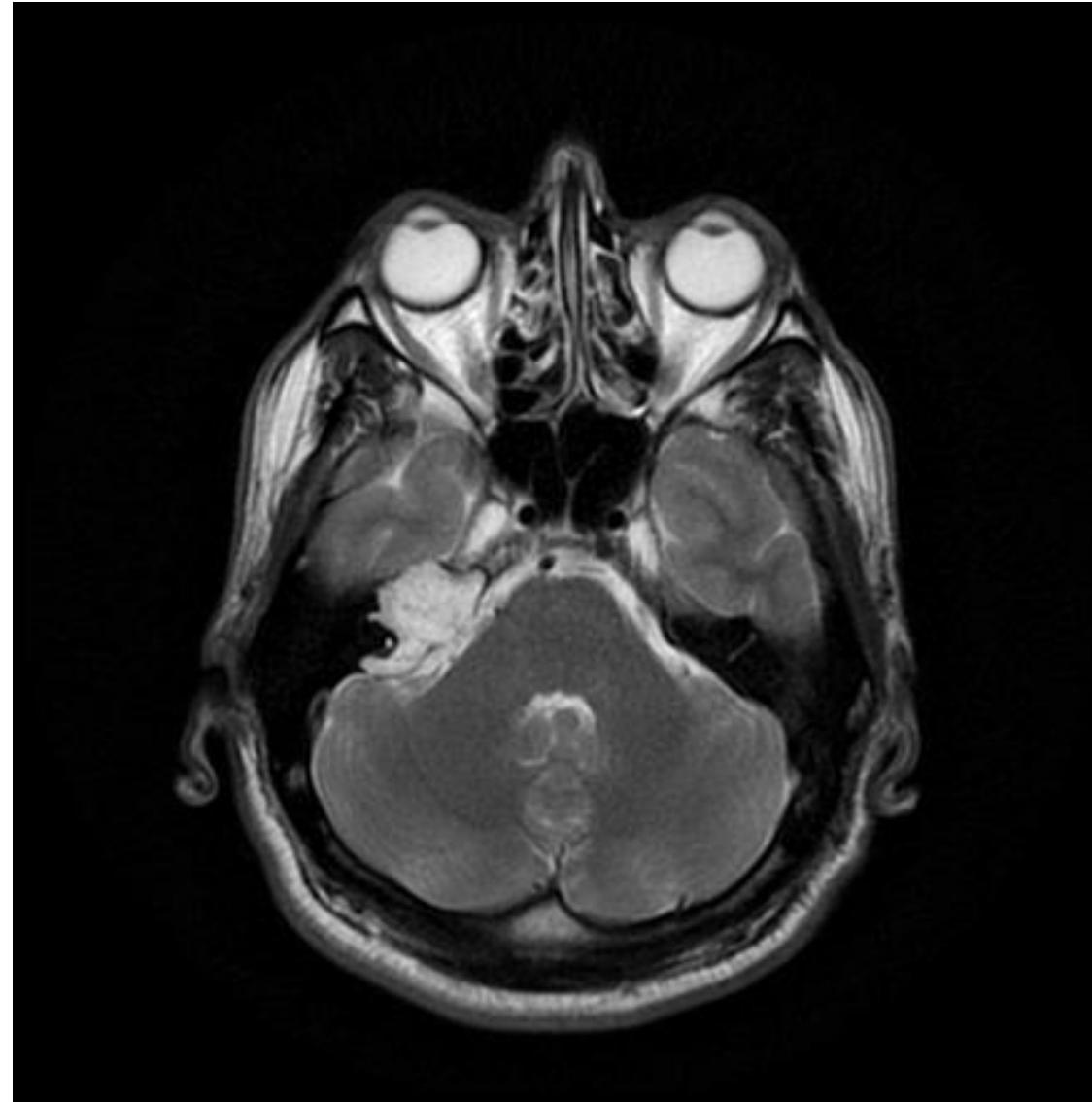
Symptoms of complications

- Vertigo
- Facial nerve palsy
- Meningitis



Chronic otitis media with cholesteatoma

- Cholesteatoma might no be located only in the middle ear cavity...



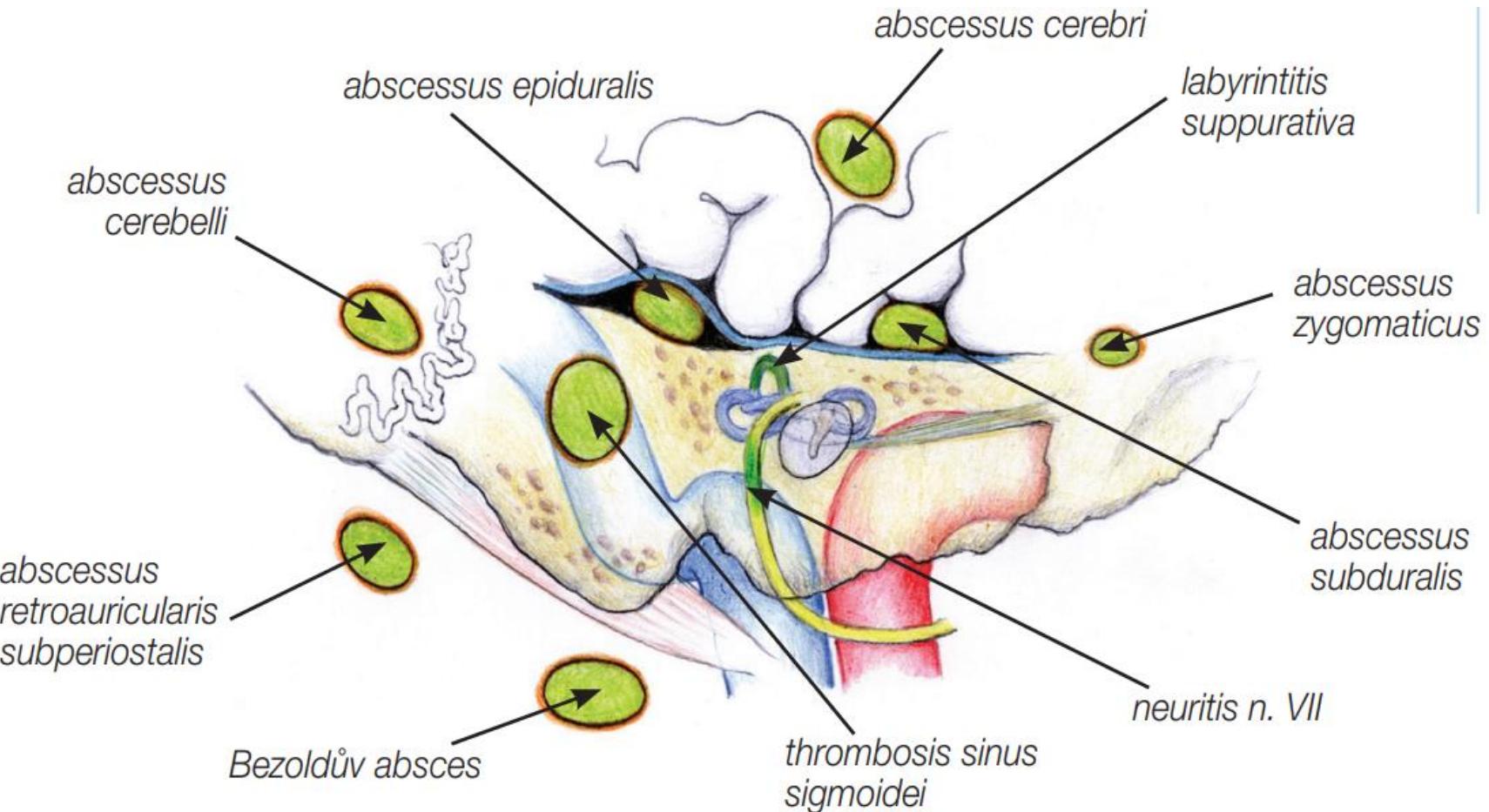
Chronic otitis media with cholesteatoma

- Therapy ?

= surgical removal of the pathological process -> Otology II

Complications of acute and chronic middle ear infections / inflammations

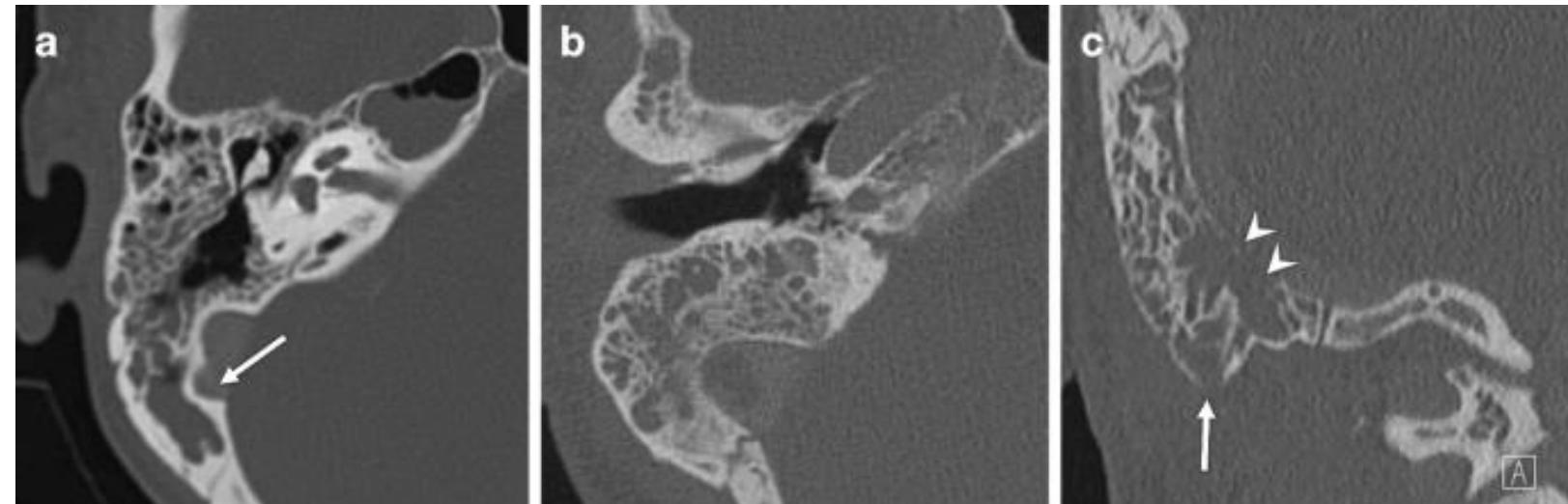
- Intradtemporal
- Extratemporal
- Intracranial



Complications of acute and chronic middle ear infections / inflammations

Intratemporal

- Labyrinthitis
- Facial nerve palsy
- **Acute mastoiditis**

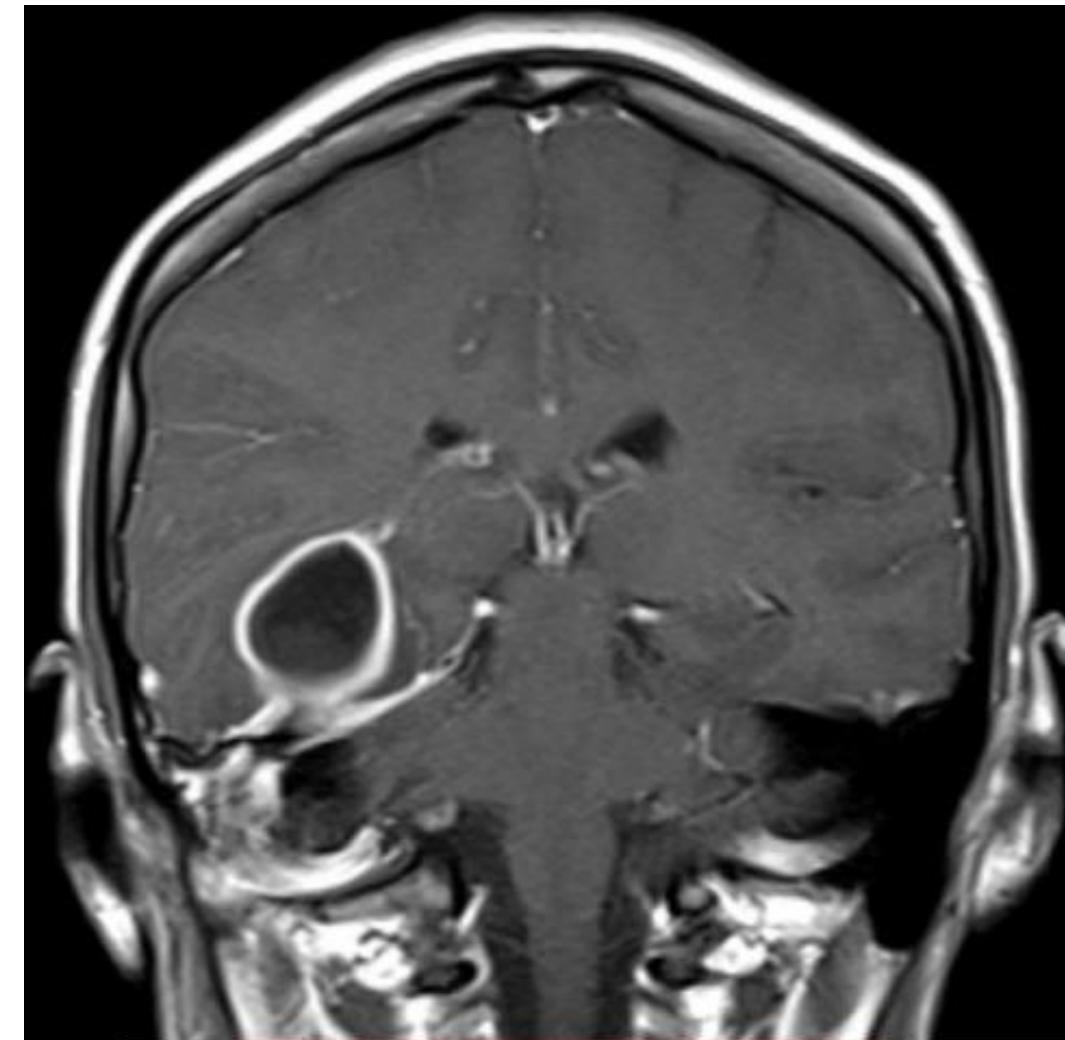


- most common complication in children
- pain and redness of the mastoid, osteolysis of septa of mastoid air cells on CT
- systemic ATB, mastoideectomy

Complications of acute and chronic middle ear infections / inflammations

Intracranial

- Extradural:
epidural abscess
- Intradural:
Meningitis
Subdural empyema
Thrombosis of sigmoid sinus
Brain abscess



Inner ear diseases

- Sensorineural hearing disorder
 - Presbyacusis
 - SSNHL
 - Genetic - Connexin 26 (35delG GJB2)
 - Therapy: hearing aid, middle ear implant, cochlear implant

