**Chronic otitis media -- is it more aggressive in children than in adults? Analysis of titanium PORP and TORP canal wall up tympanoplasties.**

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* **Abstract:** To examine hearing results in paediatric patients compared to adult population after canal wall up ossicular reconstruction with partial ossicular replacement prostheses (PORPs) and total ossicular replacement prostheses (TORPs) in chronic otitis media. A retrospective evaluation was performed on patients with chronic otitis media who underwent prosthesis ossiculoplasty between 2012 and 2016. Audiometry results were evaluated preoperatively and postoperatively for puretone average (PTA), air-bone gap (ABG) and method of ossicular reconstruction. ABG reduction to within 20 dB was established as success rate. Titanium prosthesis ossiculoplasty provides satisfactory hearing improvement. Paediatric population had worse prognosis regarding hearing improvement after PORP/TORP ossiculoplasty.
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