

Reasons for Failure and Surgical Revisions

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DISCLAIMER

- No medications available that have an FDA indication for CRS
- All medications and any medical management described in this lecture are OFF LABEL



Why do primary sinus surgeries fail?



Patient characteristics (n=43) King, et al - Laryngoscope 1994

Prior Surgery

Non-FESS 33 (76.7%)

FESS 10 (23.3%)

Immune status 4 (9.3%)

Fungal sinusitis 4 (9.3%)

Asthma 14 (32.6%)

Oral steroid use 15 (34.9%)

Polyps 19 (44.2%)

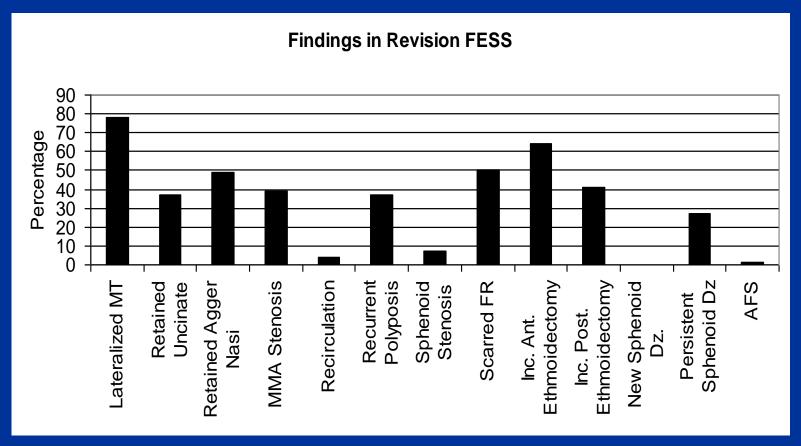
Sphenoid sinus dz 22 (51.2%)

Causes of sinus surg failure Vaughn, ARS COSM 2000

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73.3%
41.7%
33.3%
23.3%
23.3%
18.3%
10%
6.7%
1.7%





Musy PY, Kountakis SE. Anatomic findings in patients undergoing revision endoscopic sinus surgery. Am J Otolaryngol 2004;25(6):418-422

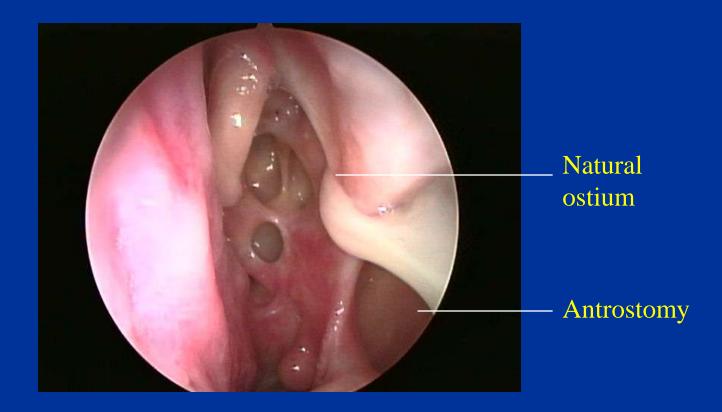


Uncinectomy - Necessary





Complete uncinectomy to avoid recirculation







Polyps No Polyps Eosinophils No Eosinophils

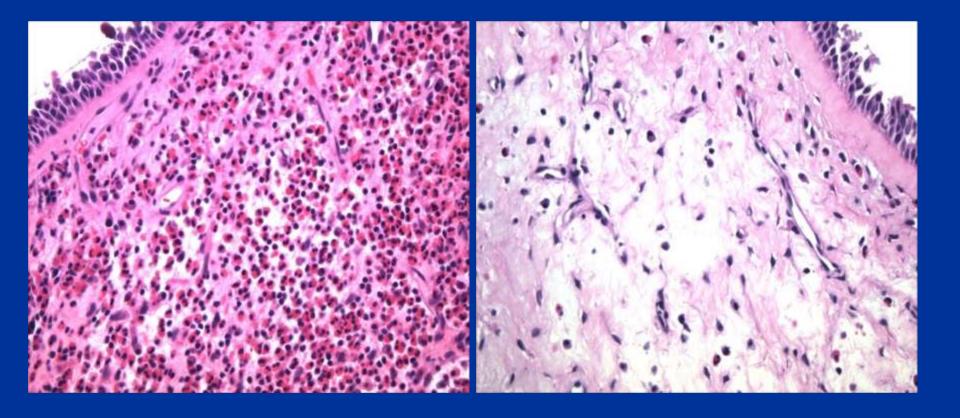
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CRS Severity Staging

- E CRS w NP
- NE CRS w NP
- E CRS n NP
- NE CRS n NP

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Very toxic to mucosa

Eosinophils

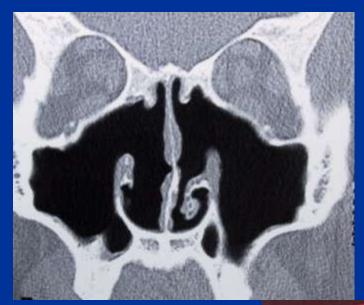


LTs

Vascular permeability
Gland secretion and
mucous production
Leukocyte
recruitment
Smooth muscle
contraction



- If Eos <5/HPF: Usual post-op meds, Intranasal steroid spray, NS
- If Eos Midrange/HPF: ISS, NS, Short oral steroid taper, budesonide irrigations, LT receptor antagonists budesonide in 3 oz NS, 1.5 oz irrigation each nasal cavity bid
- If Eos >20/HPF, ISS, budesonide irrigations, month long oral steroid taper, LT receptor antagonists budesonide in 3 oz NS, 1.5 oz irrigation each nasal cavity bid - consider anti-Lipo-oxygenase medications if failure









- Pre-op assessment
 - History
 - Endoscopy
 - Maximize medical therapy
 - CT evaluation
 - Game plan
 - Image guidance

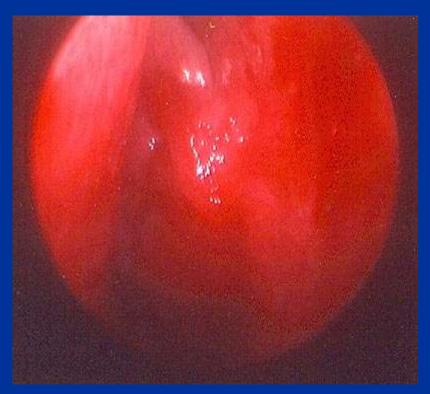


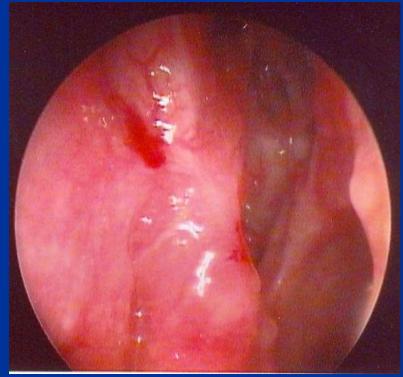
Surgical techniques

- Uncinectomy
- Incorporate natural max ostium into antrostomy
- Enter bulla inferiorly and medially
- Do not work in a hole
- Identify Lamina
- Respect the vertical plane of the MT
- Preserve horizontal basal lamella
- Do not open MMA flash to the posterior maxillary sinus wall



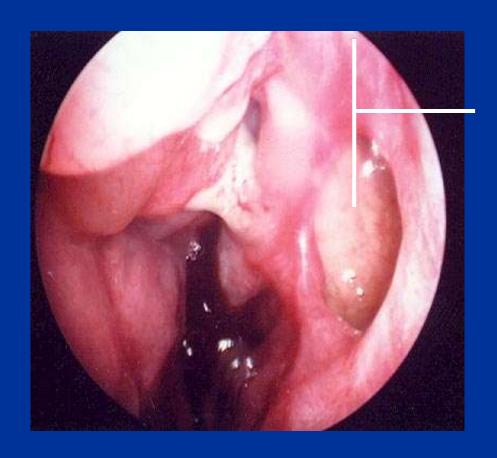
Lateralized middle turbinate







Lamina papyracea



 Middle meatal antrostomy and ridge at the junction of the lamina papyracea



Surgical techniques

Inferior turbinate - most constant and reliable

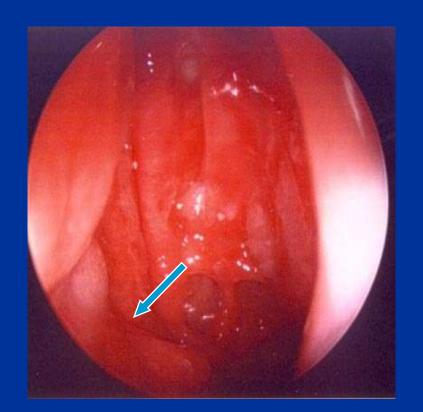
landmark for MMA

-Superior entrance can injure the Lamin

-Anterior - Nasolacrimal duct

-Posterior - sphenopalatine

-Inferior - SAFER



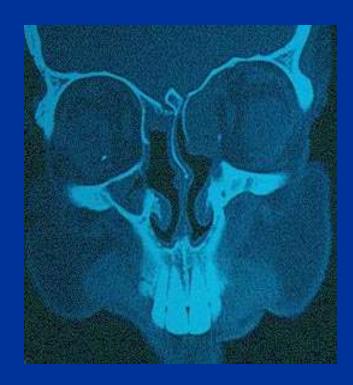






- Surgical techniques
 - Eye ball palpation monitor lamina







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Inclined plane of Skullbase





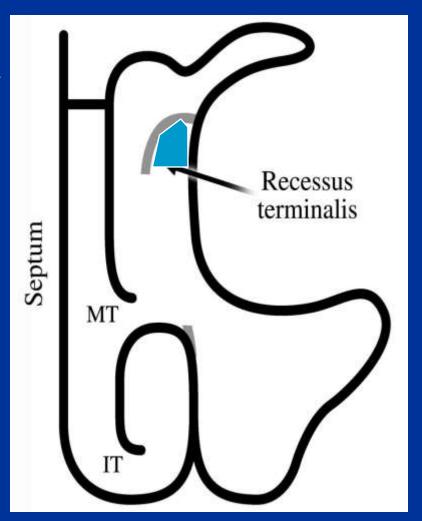
Sphenoid Roof = Level of Skullbase





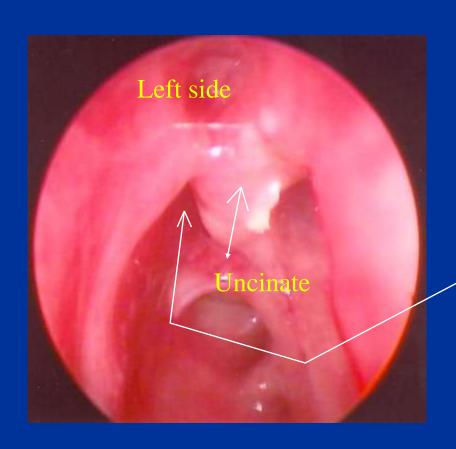
Uncinate to Lamina

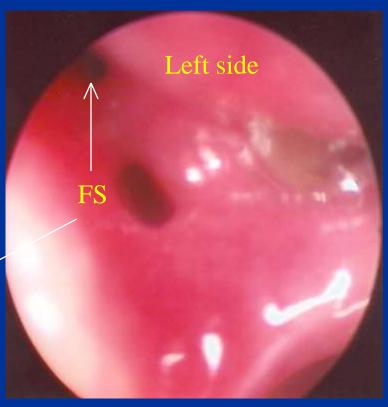
Recessus Terminalis or Pseudo-Frontal Recess





Uncinate to Lamina







Supraorbital ethmoid cell as a landmark for the anterior ethmoidal artery

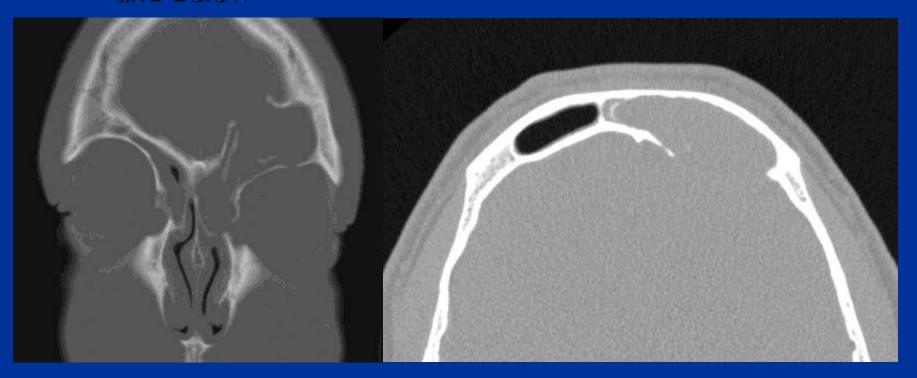






Revision FESS - frontal

Simplify a possibly complex case-Above and Below



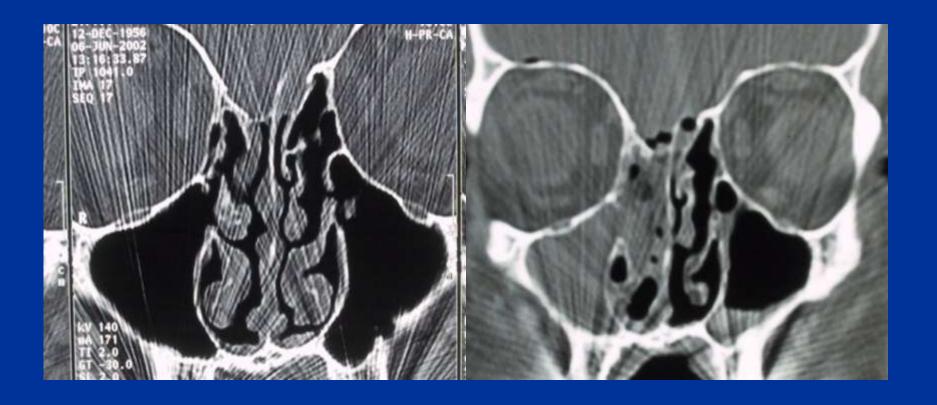


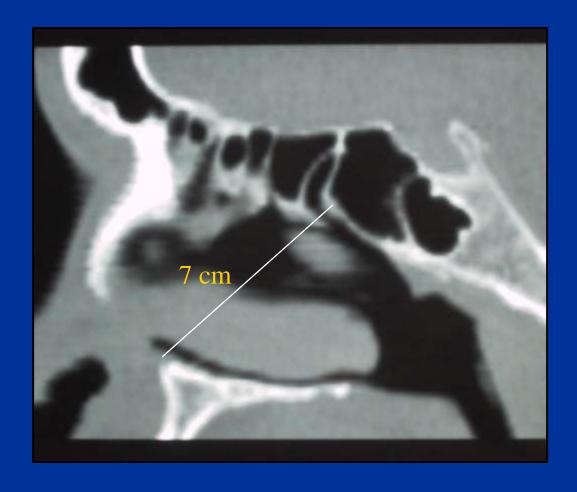
Critical / Vulnerable sites / Thin bone





◆ cribriform/skull base abnormalities

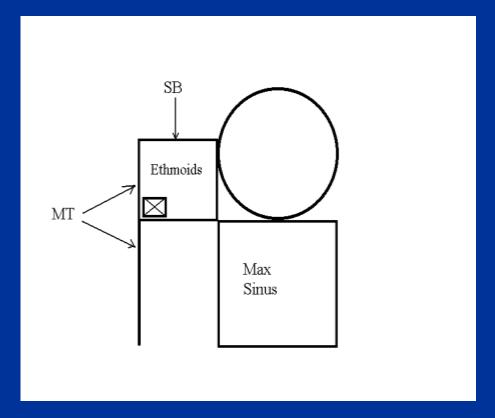






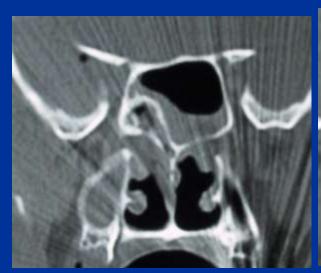
- Landmarks for sphenoid sinus
 - Septum, Maxillary, Ethmoid cavities, choana







In anatomic sphenoid variants identify the natural sphenoid ostium





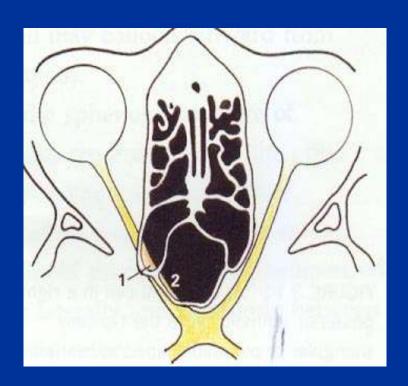


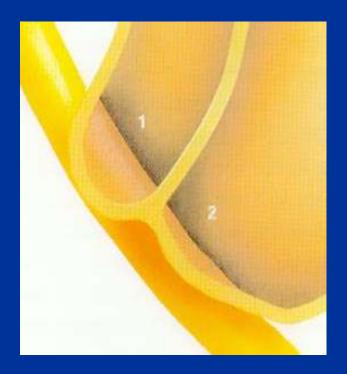






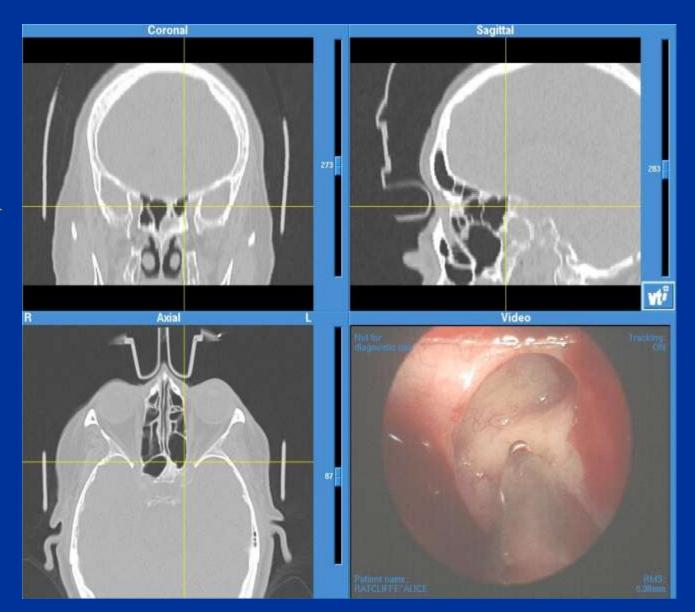
Onodi or Sphenoethmoid air cell

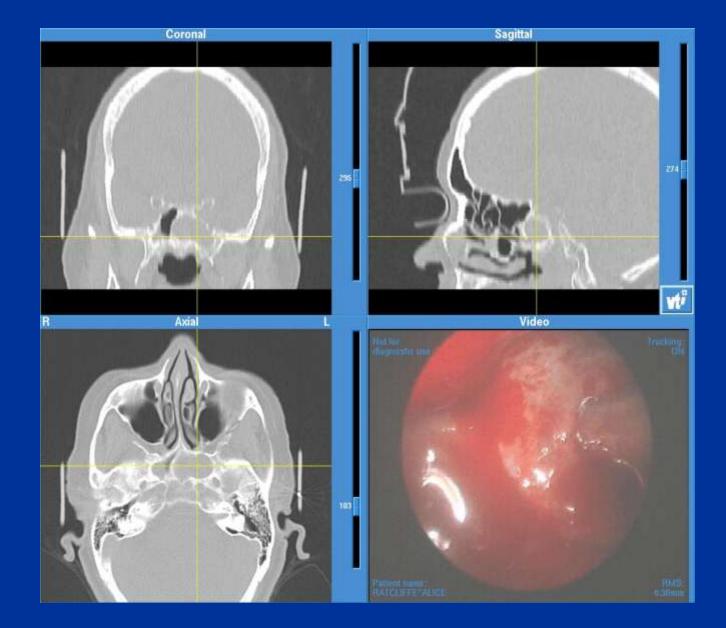






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Is image guidance helpful in this case?





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