

Cranioplasty contraindications

1. infection: especially at the [craniectomy](#) site, but also at distal sites because of the fear of seeding the [cranioplasty](#) flap.
2. brain protruding beyond the confines of the skull.
3. untreated hydrocephalus: this is complicated because treating hydrocephalus may require repairing the bone defect, usually in combination with a shunt

The presence of hydrocephalus, infection, and brain swelling. In children below 4 years old, if there is an intact dura mater, cranium can achieve self closure.

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