

Gradenigo's syndrome

Gradenigo's syndrome consists of the triad of:

Petrosus apicitis

Abducens nerve palsy, secondary to involvement of the nerve as it passes through Dorello's canal

Retro-orbital pain, or pain in the cutaneous distribution of the trigeminal nerve, due to extension of inflammation into Meckel's cave ¹⁾.

Pathology

Common pathogens are pseudomonas and enterococcus.

Etymology

It is named after Giuseppe Conte Gradenigo.

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Felisati D, Sperati G. Gradenigo's syndrome and Dorello's canal. Acta Otorhinolaryngol Ital. 2009;29(3):169-172.

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