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Background - The congenital anomalies of the ossicular chain of the middle ear are rare and

can exhibit various manifestations. Congenital absence of stapes is an uncommon variant of

these abnormalities. The first case of absence of stapes in two patients was described in

1955. The surgical and hearing results in ossicular malformation like stapes fixation are

favourable. There is not much literature about the surgical and the hearing results in cases of

absence of stapes.

Objective- To discuss the diagnosis and challenges involved in management of congenital

absence of stapes.

Methodology - Case report

Results- A 21-year-old male presented with decreased hearing in right ear since childhood.

Based on the clinical and audiological report, stapes fixation was suspected. An exploratory

tympanotomy was performed and there was congenital absence of stapes with malformed

incus. The incus remnant was refashioned and placed over the oval window region.

Conclusion:

Reconstruction in cases of congenital absence of stapes is a challenge. The clinician should

consider the various differential diagnosis of ossicular malformations when stapes fixation is

suspected as the clinical diagnosis. This will help in better counselling of different options of

surgical management and postoperative hearing outcomes.

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