

Powikłania zapaleń ucha środkowego u dzieci w dobie antybiotykoterapii

Complications of otitis media in children in the era of antibioticotherapy

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Summary

Otogenic complications in children occur most commonly secondarily to acute otitis media. Intratemporal complications are predominant and mastoiditis is most frequently seen. Meningitis in the course of acute otitis media is the most common intracranial complication. Complications of chronic otitis media are rare today, but can be more difficult to diagnose, because antibiotics may mask symptoms and change clinical presentation. Antibiotic use, however, has not completely eradicated the otogenic complications and ENT doctors should remember about this possibility.