Retrosigmoid Craniectomy for Vestibular Schwannoma with Hearing Preservation

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Abstract

Keywords

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- ▶ hearing preservation
- ▶ skull base surgery

Objectives To describe a retrosigmoid craniectomy, hearing-preservation approach for resection of vestibular schwannoma.

Design/Setting/Participants A video of a single patient undergoing the above approach at a tertiary care skull base surgery program.

Results This video demonstrates a retrosigmoid craniectomy approach for resection of an enlarging intracanalicular vestibular schwannoma in a patient with normal hearing. The video highlights the pertinent surgical anatomy and outlines in a step-by-step fashion the surgical steps. The patient obtained a gross total resection with preservation of hearing.

Conclusion A retrosigmoid craniectomy approach for vestibular schwannoma offers a potentially hearing preservation approach for selected tumors.

The link to the video can be found at: <https://youtu.be/VM663XztRZw>.

Conflict of Interest
None.

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Fig. 1 T1-weighted magnetic resonance images with gadolinium demonstrating (A) preoperative axial, (B) preoperative coronal, (C) postoperative axial, and (D) postoperative coronal images of a left intracanalicular vestibular schwannoma.