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## Cholesteatoma Case Study

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### Patient History

A 79-year old female presented for an evaluation of right ear conductive hearing loss due to a long-standing tympanic membrane perforation. She used a hearing aid in the right ear, but was unable to understand speech due to high levels of hearing loss. On otoscopy, she had a chronic draining perforation with features of cholesteatoma.

### Treatment Plan

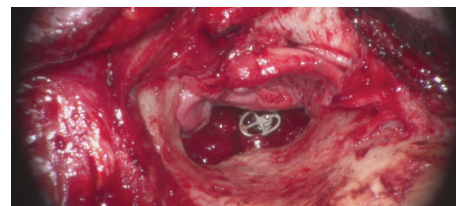
She underwent a canal-wall up tympanomastoidectomy with reconstruction of the ossicular chain using a partial-ossicular reconstruction prosthesis.

### Results

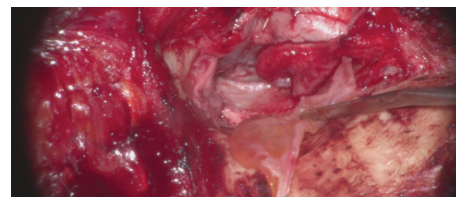
Post-operative, the patient has no evidence of residual cholesteatoma. The ear is well healed and her hearing has improved so that she is now able to understand speech when using her hearing aid.



Pre-operative view



Intra-operative view with tympanic membrane elevated and ossicular prosthesis in place



Intra-operative view with newly reconstructed tympanic membrane in place



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