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რედაქციაში სტატიის წარმოდგენისას საჭიროა დავიცვათ შემდეგი წესები:

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- 8. სტატიას თან უნდა ახლდეს ავტორის მიერ გამოყენებული სამამულო და უცხოური შრომების ბიბლიოგრაფიული სია (ბოლო 5-8 წლის სიღრმით). ანბანური წყობით წარმოდგენილ ბიბლიოგრაფიულ სიაში მიუთითეთ ჯერ სამამულო, შემდეგ უცხოელი ავტორები (გვარი, ინიციალები, სტატიის სათაური, ჟურნალის დასახელება, გამოცემის ადგილი, წელი, ჟურნალის №, პირველი და ბოლო გვერდები). მონოგრაფიის შემთხვევაში მიუთითეთ გამოცემის წელი, ადგილი და გვერდების საერთო რაოდენობა. ტექსტში კვადრატულ ფჩხილებში უნდა მიუთითოთ ავტორის შესაბამისი N ლიტერატურის სიის მიხედვით. მიზანშეწონილია, რომ ციტირებული წყაროების უმეტესი ნაწილი იყოს 5-6 წლის სიღრმის.
- 9. სტატიას თან უნდა ახლდეს: ა) დაწესებულების ან სამეცნიერო ხელმძღვანელის წარდგინება, დამოწმებული ხელმოწერითა და ბეჭდით; ბ) დარგის სპეციალისტის დამოწმებული რეცენზია, რომელშიც მითითებული იქნება საკითხის აქტუალობა, მასალის საკმაობა, მეთოდის სანდოობა, შედეგების სამეცნიერო-პრაქტიკული მნიშვნელობა.
- 10. სტატიის ბოლოს საჭიროა ყველა ავტორის ხელმოწერა, რომელთა რაოდენობა არ უნდა აღემატებოდეს 5-ს.
- 11. რედაქცია იტოვებს უფლებას შეასწოროს სტატია. ტექსტზე მუშაობა და შეჯერება ხდება საავტორო ორიგინალის მიხედვით.
- 12. დაუშვებელია რედაქციაში ისეთი სტატიის წარდგენა, რომელიც დასაბეჭდად წარდგენილი იყო სხვა რედაქციაში ან გამოქვეყნებული იყო სხვა გამოცემებში.

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# ANATOMICAL FEATURES OF THE OSTIOMEATAL COMPLEX AND THEIR IMPACT ON COMPLICATIONS IN DENTAL IMPLANTATION

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# Abstract.

The anatomical structure of the ostiomeatal complex (OMC) plays a crucial role in the success of dental implantation procedures, particularly in the maxillary region. This study examines the anatomical variations of the OMC and their impact on postoperative complications in dental implantation. A total of 400 spiral computed tomography (CT) scans of patients aged 18 to 95 years were analyzed to assess key anatomical structures, including the maxillary sinus, concha bullosa, uncinate processes, and sinus ostium dimensions. Findings revealed significant anatomical variability, with concha bullosa observed in 33.2% of cases, uncinate process variations in 31.6%, and a narrowed maxillary sinus ostium in 6.25% of cases. These structural differences were found to influence sinus ventilation and drainage, thereby increasing the risk of postoperative complications such as sinusitis and impaired osseointegration. Statistical analysis highlighted strong correlations between sinus volume, bone thickness, and OMC components, reinforcing the need for thorough preoperative assessment. The study underscores the importance of personalized surgical planning and advanced imaging techniques in mitigating complications and optimizing dental implantation outcomes.

**Key words.** Computer tomography, ostiomeatal complex, dental implantation, anatomical variability.

# Introduction.

The structure of the paranasal sinuses plays a crucial role in the success of surgical interventions in dentistry and maxillofacial surgery [1]. One of the major challenges in modern dentistry is the implantation of teeth, particularly in the maxillary region, due to the anatomical complexities of the maxillary sinus [2].

The proximity of the maxillary sinus floor to the alveolar ridge, variations in sinus morphology, and the presence of anatomical anomalies can significantly affect the success of dental implant placement [3]. In some cases, insufficient bone volume or sinus pneumatization necessitates additional surgical procedures, such as sinus lifting, to ensure implant stability [4].

A thorough understanding of the relationship between the maxillary sinus anatomy and potential complications in dental implantation is crucial for optimizing treatment planning and minimizing postoperative risks [5]. A particularly important factor post-surgery is the structure of the ostiomeatal complex (OMC), a key anatomical region of the skull responsible for the physiological ventilation of the paranasal sinuses [6]. Its structural characteristics significantly influence the likelihood of postoperative complications [7]. The contribution of each OMC component to sinus ventilation remains uncertain and unproven. Some studies have focused on the density of the

uncinate process in recurrent rhinosinusitis, but the question of this parameter in the absence of pathology remains unexplored.

During surgical treatments, the goal is usually to expand the area of the semilunar hiatus as much as possible to maximize sinus ventilation efficiency [8]. However, it is known that when the semilunar hiatus becomes too wide, turbulent airflow disappears, and sinus ventilation efficiency progressively decreases. Therefore, the question arises about determining the physiological dimensions of the semilunar hiatus and even identifying the critical upper limits that would still ensure adequate ventilation.

Given these considerations, the objective of our study was to examine the anatomical features of the ostiomeatal complex and their impact on complications in dental implantation.

# Materials and Methods.

This study was conducted based on the analysis of 400 spiral computed tomography (CT) scans of men and women aged 18 to 95 years. The participants were divided into groups according to the World Health Organization classification. None of the participants reported complaints related to the ear, nose, and throat (ENT) organs, and the CT scans were performed for reasons unrelated to ENT pathology (e.g., suspected stroke, which was later ruled out). Cases were excluded from the study if there was evidence of pathological changes in the paranasal sinuses (PNS), as well as in cases of childhood or pregnancy.

Data collection was conducted at the Kharkiv Research Institute of General and Emergency Surgery and the Merefa Central District Hospital, in accordance with a scientific and practical cooperation agreement (No. 173/10 18, dated October 18, 2018).

The study adhered to the ethical standards of the World Medical Association's Declaration of Helsinki on medical research involving human subjects. All participants were fully informed about the study and provided written informed consent. The research protocol was approved by the Bioethics Committee of Kharkiv National Medical University (Protocol No. 5, dated November 11, 2018).

**Imaging and Data Analysis:** Computed tomography was used not only to visualize the anatomical structures but also to analyze the spatial relationships between various elements of the PNS, the osteomeatal complex (OMC), and adjacent regions. Additionally, CT scans enabled measurements of bone thickness and density. Bone density was assessed using the Hounsfield scale [9], which allows modern CT devices to differentiate 4,096 shades of gray, representing different density levels in Hounsfield units (HU). According to this scale, water is assigned a value of 0 HU, while air is -1000 HU.

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The study was conducted using a Toshiba Aquilion 64 [10] computed tomography scanner (Japan), a multi-slice CT scanner capable of simultaneously acquiring data from four 0.5 mm slices. This scanner is known for its high performance, featuring a full rotation time of up to 0.4 seconds. To ensure high-resolution imaging while minimizing radiation exposure, a 0,5 mm slice thickness was used for examining the paranasal sinuses. The device's advanced technology optimizes X-ray using, providing high-quality images with a reduced radiation dose.

For image analysis, the Radiant DICOM Viewer software (version 4.6.9, 64-bit) was used [11]. This software offers a user-friendly interface and high-performance capabilities for viewing medical images in DICOM PACS format.

# **Statistical Analysis:**

Statistical analysis was performed using methods of variational statistics. The normality of data distribution was assessed using the Shapiro-Wilk test. The prevalence of different anatomical variants of the PNS and OMC was calculated as a percentage of the total study population.

The range of individual variability in PNS and OMC structure was assessed using the following statistical parameters:

- M average value.
- $\sigma$  standard deviation.
- Cv coefficient of variation.
- mCv standard error of the coefficient of variation.
- Min minimum value in the sample.
- Max maximum value in the sample.

A correlation analysis was also conducted. The Pearson correlation coefficient (r) was used to examine the relationship between Haller's cell dimensions and the width of the semilunar hiatus. The statistical significance of the correlation was determined using Student's t-test.

# Morphometric Analysis:

Several morphometric parameters were measured, including:

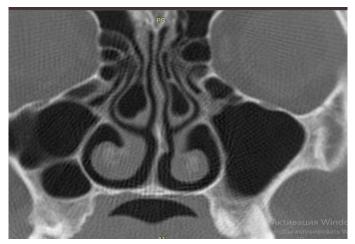
- The longitudinal and transverse dimensions of the middle turbinate.
- Spatial orientation and attachment level of the middle turbinate.
- Volume and dimensions of the uncinate process.
- Bone density of the uncinate process.
- Distance between the middle turbinate and the semilunar hiatus.

Additionally, the spatial arrangement of the semilunar hiatus and its potential connections with the sinuses were analyzed. These anatomical features are critical, as they may contribute to the chronicity of inflammatory conditions and influence the surgical approach in functional endoscopic sinus surgery.

# Results and Discussion.

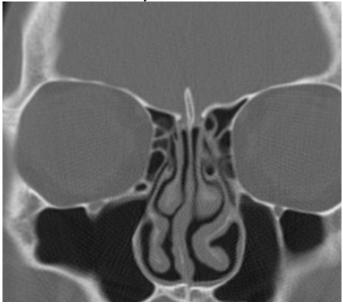
Paradoxal deviation of the middle turbinate was observed in 19 patients (7.6%). A pneumatized middle turbinate (concha bullosa) was detected in 83 patients (33.2%), accounting for 3.25% of cases, resulting from the early development of an air cell within the anterior ethmoid labyrinth.

Among these, a multichambered concha bullosa (see Figure 1) was found in 14 individuals (5.6%).



**Figure 1.** CT. Coronal reconstruction. Bulla of the middle turbinate on both sides, on the left – two-chamber concha bullosa.

In 39 patients (15.6%), the concha bullosa was significantly enlarged, completely obstructing the middle nasal passage. It extended toward the uncinate process and the ethmoid bulla, effectively blocking the communication between the paranasal sinuses and the nasal cavity.



**Figure 2.** Pneumatization of the uncinate process on the left. SCT. Coronary reconstruction.

Borderline anatomical variants (see Figure 2) of the uncinate process were identified in 57 patients (31.6%) on CT scans. These included:

- Pneumatization in 18 patients (7.2%).
- Hyperplasia in 22 patients (8.8%).
- Paradoxical bending and displacement into the depth of the middle nasal meatus in 17 patients (6.8%).
- Hypoplasia 0,8%.

Asymmetry in the superior portions of the Uncinate processes was noted in 22.8% (57 patients), with variations in attachment sites. Agger nasi cells were hypertrophied in 9.6% (24 patients), always appearing as unilocular structures.

Haller cells were present in 1.75% (7 patients) and were associated with a narrower maxillary sinus ostium, increasing the risk of obstruction.

Narrowing of the natural ostium (<4 mm) was found in 6.25% (25 patients), which could impair sinus ventilation and drainage, thereby increasing the risk of postoperative complications.

The correlation between these parameters was also calculated. The highest degree of correlation was found between the thickness of the upper walls and the volume of the sinuses (r = 0.96).

The dimensions of the middle turbinate are shown in Figure 3. Dimensions of the uncinate process, distance from the gray turbinate to the semilunar foramen.

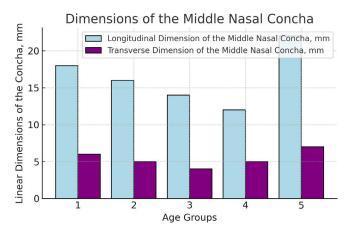
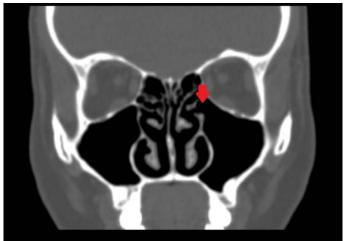


Figure 3. Dimensions of the middle turbinate in different age groups.

The physiological function of the paranasal sinuses, particularly the maxillary sinuses, is closely dependent on the size and efficiency of their natural openings (Figure 4), all of which drain into the middle nasal passage. In 0.5% of cases, the presence of an additional opening was observed, which can significantly disrupt normal maxillary sinus function.



*Figure 4.* 4 CT of the paranasal sinuses. Coronal projection (the arrow indicates the semilunar hiatus).

The size of these openings plays a crucial role, ranging from 3 to 10 mm. Notably, 87% of subjects had a semilunar hiatus larger than 4 mm, with the most common size being 5 mm [12].

Our study revealed significant anatomical variability in the osteomeatal complex (OMC) and its potential impact on complications during dental implantation [13]. Anatomical variations such as paradoxical curvature of the middle turbinate, concha bullosa, hyperplasia and pneumatization of the uncinate process, as well as differences in the size of the natural ostium, can significantly influence nasal aerodynamics, paranasal sinus ventilation, and the functional state of the mucosa [14].

Concha bullosa was observed in 33.2% of cases, with larger formations contributing to obstruction of the middle nasal passage and impaired maxillary sinus drainage [15]. This obstruction may increase the risk of inflammatory complications following dental implantation, including chronic sinusitis and acute sinus infections. Additionally, hyperplasia or pneumatization of the uncinate process, detected in 16% of participants, can further disrupt normal OMC function. This is supported by a significant negative correlation (-0.59) between the size of the uncinate process and the width of the semilunar hiatus.

One of the most critical factors influencing complication risk is the individual anatomical variability of the semilunar hiatus width [16]. In 6.25% of cases, this width was less than 4 mm—a threshold considered critical for proper sinus drainage [17]. Patients with a narrower semilunar hiatus are at a higher risk of inflammatory complications post-implantation. Furthermore, Haller cells were identified in 1.75% of cases, correlating with a reduction in the natural maxillary sinus ostium size, potentially leading to sinus obstruction [18].

Our findings also demonstrated a strong correlation between paranasal sinus volume, sinus wall thickness, and OMC parameters [19]. Notably, a high correlation (r = 0.96) between sinus volume and upper wall thickness highlights the potential risks associated with sinus lift procedures. This emphasizes the necessity of preoperative bone density assessment before implantation [20,21].

One of important conclusion of described work is one more emphasis about common work of different specialist (dentist, radiologist, morphologist) even in period of wide digital medicine using [22-25] with start of implementation of artificial intelligence.

# Clinical Implications.

From a clinical perspective, our findings suggest several key considerations:

- 1. **Preoperative Evaluation:** Patients with pronounced anatomical variations (e.g., uncinate process hyperplasia, concha bullosa, or a narrow semilunar hiatus) require thorough pre-implantation assessment.
- 2. **Comprehensive Planning:** Preoperative planning should extend beyond bone volume analysis to include an evaluation of OMC ventilation and drainage function.
- 3. Advanced Imaging: The use of spiral computed tomography (SCT) should be a standard diagnostic tool for identifying anatomical variations and determining optimal surgical strategies.

# Conclusion.

Understanding the anatomical features of the ostiomeatal complex is essential for predicting and minimizing complications

Table 1. Anatomical variability of the components of the osteomeatal complex in people of different ages and sexes.

Indicator	More than	90 years old	75-89 years		60-74 years		45-59 years 1		8-44 years	
	Male	Female	Male.	Female.	Male	Female	Male.	Female	Male.	Female
Volume of the uncinate process, x10°9 m³	11940±810	9533±110	9870±930	8331±976	12468±1125	11876±639	13113±1125	13111±1212	14890±979	15111±2311
Density of the uncinate germ, Hu	139±21	115±21	147±18,9	101±71	199±25	116±12	154±57	160±71	183±22	192±12
Longitudinal size of the middle turbinate, $x10^3$ m	16,4 ±2,9	13,1±1,99	13,5±2,1	12,07±2,2	10,1±3	14,01±2,3	10,8±2,98	11,022±3,04	12,11±2,2	11,9±3,1
Transverse size of the middle turbinate x10 <sup>-3</sup> m	5,47±1,2	3,65±1,87	2,88±0,61	4,9±1,2	4,96±0,88	4,12±0,29	4,41±2,02	3,346±0,79	6,08±0,99	4,33±0,93
Dimensions of the hiatus semilunaris x10-3 m	4,99±1,01	4,41±0,9871	4,56±1,06	5,01±0,77	4,54±0,8	3,99±0,97	5,14±1,4	6,02±1,8	7,6±1,28	4,54±0,5

in dental implantation. Patients with pronounced anatomical variations, such as hyperplasia of the Uncinate process, concha bullosa, or a narrow sinus ostium, require more thorough preoperative evaluation. Treatment planning should incorporate both bone volume analysis and an assessment of the ventilation and drainage functions of the ostiomeatal complex.

Future research should focus on refining imaging techniques and developing tailored surgical approaches to mitigate the risks associated with anatomical variations in the ostiomeatal complex.

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