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## About Your ENT

### Chronics Suppurative Otitis Media

The chronic suppurative otitis media is of two types:

1) Tubotympanic (Safe or Benign)

Majority of cases fall in this type of infection. This infection is usually in the anterior inferior segment of the middle ear cleft. It is not the dangerous type of infection.

2) Attico Antral (Unsafe/Dangerous)

This type of infection is less common and involves the posterior superior segment of the middle ear cleft. In this type of C.S.O.M., the changes in the mucous membrane are proliferative granulation tissue, polypus and cholesteatoma formation.

#### Bacteriology

Mixed i.e. gram +ve cocci mixed with gram -ve bacilli. Also present are a wide range of both the aerobic and anaerobic microbes.

#### Symptoms

Discharge

Deafness

Occasionally Tinnitus and Vertigo

Pain (sometimes present)

#### Signs

Discharge

Deafness (Conductive type)

Perforation

meatus