() R1 () R2 () R3 () PG0 () PG1 (X) Estagiário () Tecnólogo () PIBIC Last Name - Hagemann First Name - Luiz Middle - Felipe

Service (sector) Laboratory Nº CEP

Microbiological results of 713 Endophthalmitis specimens: 25 year analysis Name of Authors: Hagemann LF, Hofling Lima AL Purpose: To present the microbiologic data obtained from smears and culture results of the specimens submitted to the ophthalmology department laboratory between 1976 and 2001. **Methods:**We retrospectively reviewed the laboratory results charts of 713 suspected cases of bacterial endophthalmitis specimens submitted to bacteriology diagnostic tests (smears and cultures) from 1976 to 2001. Results: The most common isolate was Staphylococcus aureus, in 25 (43%) specimens of aqueous humor, 15 (22%) specimens of vitreous tap and 3 (17%) specimens of pars plana vitrectomy. Of the 713 specimens, 354 (49,6%) had a known surgery performed in the same eye before, cataract surgery being the most performed procedure in 247 (70%) cases. The overall results were: smears were positive in aqueous humor in 158 (43%), vitreous tap in 122 (40%) pars plana vitrectomy in 30 (77%) specimens, and cultures positive in aqueous humor in 56 (15%), vitreous tap in 63 (20,5%) pars plana vitrectomy in 16 (40%) specimens. **Conclusions**: Staphylococcus aureus was the most common isolate. Cataract extraction was the most performed surgical procedure in suspected cases of endophthalmitis.