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Preface to the Third Edition

It has been 13 years since the publication of the second edition of *Smith's Ophthalmic Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery*. Since that time, our specialty has continued to grow and flourish. Advancements in technology and surgical technique have allowed the creation of many new procedures, diagnostic modalities, and medical treatments for disease involving the eyelids, orbit, and lacrimal system. The scope of practice of ophthalmic plastic and reconstructive surgery has also continued its natural progression into the face, brow, and forehead, as these are the anatomic regions that directly impact the function and form of the ocular adnexae.

This third edition is now appropriately named *Smith and Nesi's Ophthalmic Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery* in honor of both Dr. Byron Smith, one of the “founding fathers” of this specialty, and Dr. Frank A. Nesi, Dr. Smith’s former fellow. Dr. Nesi is one of the foremost innovators in the field of ophthalmic plastic surgery and editor of all three editions of this text. Within these pages, one will find 77 chapters written by over 70 authors. This detailed compilation of diagnostic and surgical techniques promises to demonstrate the state of the art of the specialty. Most of the material from the second edition has been completely rewritten or updated, with a few completely new chapters included.

The information contained in this textbook will be useful to practicing oculofacial plastic and orbital surgeons, fellows, and residents. Comprehensive ophthalmologists, plastic surgeons, otolaryngologists, dermatologists, and physicians in other fields should find this an invaluable resource as well. This integration of modern diagnosis and the latest techniques with the wisdom of time-honored medical and surgical practice will allow the physician to quickly locate the information needed to provide the highest quality care.

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From the Managing Editor

In March 2009, I approached Dr. Nesi concerning his interest in producing a third edition of *Smith's*. He responded saying “if you could find a publisher, you could do it.” We were very fortunate to have a relationship with Springer from previous projects. They were not only interested but excited to secure the rights to the third edition. In many ways, the first step on a large project is the hardest step, but we had a mandate to maintain the text as a premier resource in the field. That foundation of excellence made all subsequent decisions relatively easy. Initial guidance from Catherine Paduani, followed by the absolute professionalism of Maureen Alexander, Rebekah Amos, and Joanna Perey, enabled this project to reach all targets successfully.

Drs. Nesi, Black, Gladstone, and I reviewed the strengths and weaknesses of the second edition and decided upon a section/chapter content distribution that we believe ideally addresses the current needs of the ophthalmic plastic and reconstructive surgical community regardless of primary discipline. We were able to assemble an all-star roster of those willing to function as section editors. Their selections for chapter authors were outstanding and in keeping with the high standard of authorship set by previous editions.

It is with great personal pride that *Smith's* now includes a dedicated section for pediatric considerations. The reader will also find the orbital section significantly expanded and an updated section on aesthetic and cosmetic techniques intended to present the “state of the art” without editorializing a given procedure’s merits. Some past topics were minimized or deleted as we felt these were best covered by other current resources, or that they were more appropriate for a comprehensive ophthalmic work. The other sections are all outstanding, well referenced, and the whole edition is accessible to all levels of practice. There is some intentional duplication of material between sections and often with different viewpoints; we believe this only strengthens the text without redundancy.

Production of a text mirrors the stages of one’s own career and reminds us of those who helped us through that journey. Dr. Russell Mankes (Albany Medical College) was my Ph.D. mentor and developed my research skills in teratology and oncology. Dr. Derek and Gina Eisnor are the best of friends and family for over 20 years. Dr. James Mandell (now CEO and President, Children’s Hospital Boston) was my clinical mentor and guided me through the beginning of a surgical career. Dr. Mark Sesto (Chief of Surgery, Cleveland Clinic, Florida) provided support and encouragement for my pursuits, including joining the Army Medical Corps. Drs. Bitá Esmali and Dan Gombos of M.D. Anderson Cancer Center were instrumental in my ophthalmic education, inspiring pursuit of fellowship training. This was gratefully undertaken with Dr. Evan H. Black, who along with Drs. Nesi and Gladstone provided an exceptional learning environment and a long-term relationship worth far more than can be

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Section 1
Anatomy

Anatomy of the Ocular Adnexa, Orbit, and Related Facial Structures

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Understanding the structural abnormalities and the corrective surgical procedures described in this volume is predicated on a familiarity with normal anatomy. This chapter is designed to discuss this anatomy in sufficient detail and to provide key past and current references so as to be useful to the physician and surgeon working in this area.

Osteology

Orbital Shape and Development

The confines and the relationships of the orbits are best understood by examining a skull (Fig. 1.1). Early in human development, the optic vesicles point in opposite directions. As facial development occurs, the angle between the optic stalks decreases as the eyes become situated more anteriorly. In the adult, the exact angle of the divergent optic nerves is determined in part by the placement of the optic chiasm on the sphenoid body, but it is usually about 68° [1].

The adult lateral orbital walls are approximately 90° from each other, or 45° from anteroposterior. The medial orbital walls are nearly straight anteroposterior, angling slightly medial anteriorly. The divergent axis of each orbit thus becomes half of 45° , or about 23° (Fig. 1.2). The eyes tend to diverge in accordance with their bony surroundings, as is seen in individuals with acquired visual loss, under general anesthesia, or in death. It is not surprising to find the medial rectus, the thickest of the rectus muscles, because of the

constant demand on it for torsion of the globe away from the orbital axis.

Facial development occurs from processes evident in the third week of development. The mandibular swellings are the most caudal and initially are separated by a midline depression. The frontonasal process is rostral with symmetric halves and is separated from the former by the median stomodeum, or primitive mouth, and laterally by the paired maxillary processes (Fig. 1.3). The frontonasal and mandibular processes form the central face and mandible, respectively, while the maxillary processes later approach the midline to form the malar eminences.

The lateral nasal process lies medial to the eye and fuses with the maxillary process situated beneath and lateral to the eye, thus forming the medial, inferior, and lateral orbital walls. The orbital roof is formed by the capsule of the developing forebrain. The enlarging globe stretches the surrounding connective tissue making it fairly dense and a relative restraint to further embryologic modeling in this area [2]. Within these condensed fibrous plates, numerous ossification centers first appear around the seventh week. Ossification of the orbital walls is completed by birth except at the orbital apex. The lesser wing of the sphenoid is initially cartilaginous, unlike the greater sphenoid wing and the other membranous orbital bones. The orbital walls are derived from cranial neural crest cells, which expand to form the frontonasal and maxillary processes.

The orbit most closely resembles a four-sided pyramid that becomes three-sided near the apex. The side lost is the floor, which is cut off by the inferior orbital fissure at two-thirds the orbital depth. The widest portion is 1 cm behind the orbital rim corresponding to the equator of the globe. The relative narrowing of the orbital rim is minimal at birth but proceeds with facial growth, especially with expansion of the frontal and maxillary sinuses. The depth of the orbit measured from the apex to the center of the orbital margin is approximately 45 mm, with substantial variation between individuals and slight differences between sides of an individual.

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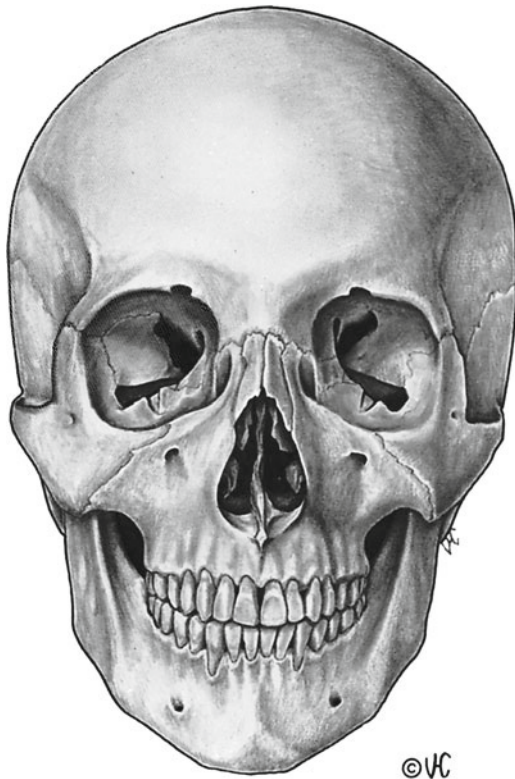


Fig. 1.1 Anteroposterior view of adult skull

Orbital Margin

The adult orbital rim is a discontinuous spiral. It is roughly rectangular with a horizontal dimension of 40 mm and a vertical dimension of 32 mm. The zygomatic bone forms most of the lateral margin and the lateral half of the inferior rim (see Figs. 1.1 and 1.4). This orbital protector or “facial buttress” can withstand severe trauma before fracture which usually occurs along the suture lines. Steps may then be felt inferiorly at the zygomaticomaxillary suture and superolaterally at the zygomaticofrontal suture. The frontal bone encompasses the superior orbital margin and extends laterally and medially to form portions of these borders. The newborn superior orbital rim is sharp. It remains so in the female but becomes rounded with development in the male. Medially between the superior orbits is the smooth glabellar area below which the nasal bones arise. In most skulls, the medial superior rim is indented by a supraorbital notch formed by the supraorbital nerve and artery rising to the forehead. In some skulls, the bone covers these structures, forming a foramen.

The medial orbital margin is formed anteriorly by the maxillary bone rising to meet the maxillary process of the frontal bone. The lacrimal excretory sac complicates the medial rim by indenting the bone and forming anterior (maxillary bone) and posterior (lacrimal bone) crests (see the Sect. [Lacrimal Excretory Osteology](#)). Thus, the orbital rim

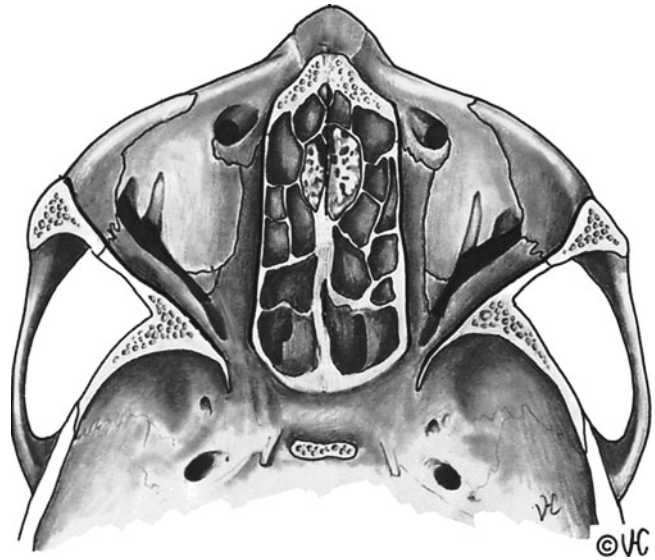


Fig. 1.2 Horizontal section through orbits. Medial walls are nearly parallel and lateral walls diverge 45° from midline

was described by Whitnall as a single coil of an undulating spiral [3].

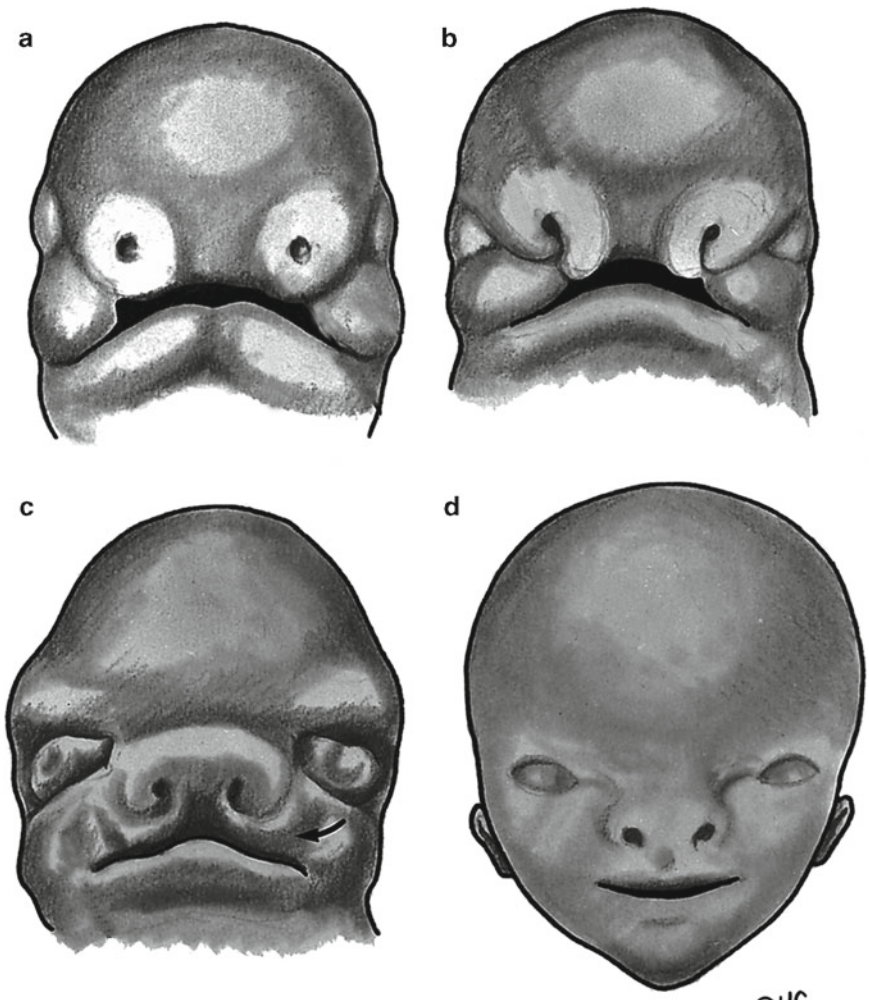
The infraorbital nerve and attendant artery exit 4 mm or more below the inferior rim medially. In two thirds of skulls, a supraorbital notch can be found along the superomedial rim [4]. A foramen is seen instead of a notch in other skulls. The possibility of this variation should be considered during coronal or endoscopic brow lifting. The supraorbital ridge lies above the medial one half of the orbit.

Orbital Walls

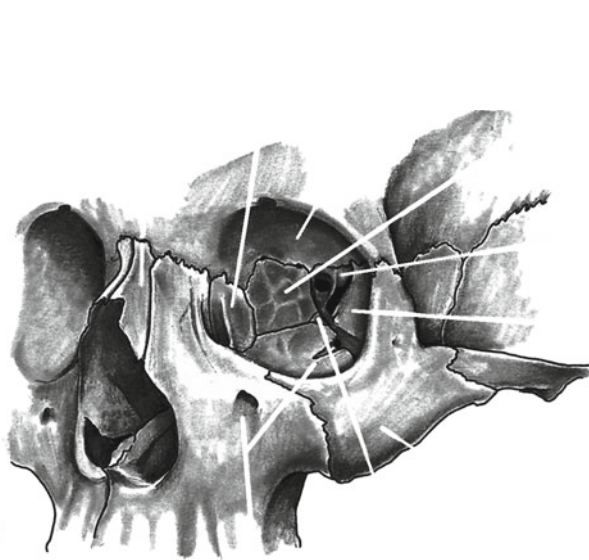
The triangular orbital roof is formed primarily by the orbital plate of the frontal bone (Figs. 1.4 and 1.5). Its progressive convexity with growth reflects molding about the globe. The roof is usually strong and only rarely will blunt ocular trauma explode it, vis-a-vis the common orbital floor fracture. Small dehiscences, however, are not uncommon in the orbital roof. An incidence of approximately 15% has been reported [3, 5].

Posteriorly, the roof remains flat and receives a 1.5-cm contribution from the lesser wing of the sphenoid bone. Near the suture between the frontal and sphenoid bones, approximately 30 mm posterior to the orbital rim, a meningo-lacrimal foramen may be found. In roughly 30% of individuals, this foramen conducts an anastomosis between the middle meningeal artery (external carotid system) and the root of the lacrimal artery [6]. The optic nerve pierces the roof at an angle of about 35° from midline to form the optic foramen (see later). Anteromedially, the small trochlear fossa is found while the large lacrimal gland fossa is seen laterally.

Fig. 1.3 Facial development. (a) Frontonasal and mandibular processes separated by maxillary processes and mouth. (b) Lacrimal groove develops between lateral nasal and maxillary processes. (c) Medial expansion of maxillary processes forming lateral wall and floor of orbit. Medial wall is formed by lateral nasal process and roof by frontal process. (d) Medial nasal processes fuse, forming upper lip and hard palate



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Fig. 1.4 Bones of orbit

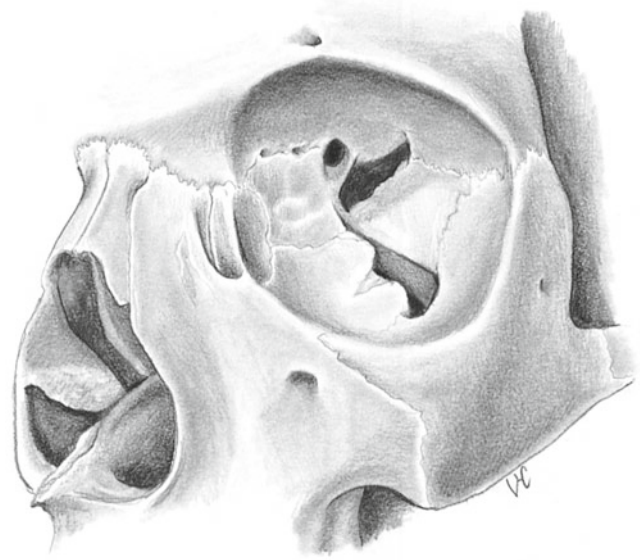


Fig. 1.5 Osteology of orbital apex

The lateral orbital wall is bounded by the superior and inferior orbital fissures. These borders are carried anteriorly roughly by the frontosphenoidal and the zygomaticomaxillary sutures. Posteriorly, the greater wing of the sphenoid forms the lateral wall. Anteriorly, the zygoma and the lateral angular (zygomatic) process of the frontal bone each contribute to the lateral orbital wall. The vertical zygomaticosphenoid suture marks the thinnest part of the lateral orbital wall and forms a convenient breaking point for bone removal during orbitotomy. Posterior and lateral to the lateral rim lies the firmly adherent temporalis muscle. The muscle has a dense superficial fascia easily harvested through a skin and superficial muscle plane incision.

Just within the lateral orbital margin about 11 mm below the frontozygomatic suture the lateral orbital tubercle of Whitnall is found [7]. At this important site, the lateral canthal ligament, lateral rectus check ligament, lateral horn of the levator, suspensory ligament of the eye (Lockwood's ligament), and orbital septum all attach. The zygomaticotemporal and zygomaticofacial foramina perforate the anterior lateral orbital wall and transmit neurovascular bundles.

The shortest of the orbital walls is the floor. It is shaped like an equilateral triangle. A line passing through the axis of the inferior orbital fissure forms the lateral border. The medial border can be defined with anterior and posterior extensions of the maxilloethmoidal suture. The orbital floor does not continue to the orbital apex. It ends approximately 35–40 mm posterior to the rim at the pterygopalatine fossa. This fact must be kept in mind during surgery on the orbital floor because more posterior dissection could lead to extensive hemorrhage from the internal maxillary artery located in the pterygopalatine fossa.

The orbital plate of the maxillary bone comprises nearly the entire floor, with small contributions from the palatine bone posteriorly and from the zygoma anterolaterally. The floor remains strong lateral to the infraorbital nerve but becomes thin medially with maxillary sinus expansion. This thin, unsupported dome of the maxillary sinus is where the floor usually fractures with trauma. In static loading studies, the orbital floor shows the greatest degree of deformation [8]. This location is also a convenient site for entry into the maxillary sinus during orbital decompression surgery.

The infraorbital groove is found posteriorly and centrally in the orbital floor. It carries the maxillary division of the trigeminal nerve. This groove or sulcus is converted into a canal, which ends anteriorly as the infraorbital foramen. In the embryo, the infraorbital nerve lies freely along the orbital floor, but by birth, it has been encompassed by the more rapidly growing maxillary bone. In the child, the infraorbital foramen is situated immediately below the orbital margin. In the adult, the infraorbital nerve exits approximately 6 mm inferior to the orbital rim.

The medial wall is the smallest and the thinnest of the orbital walls. It extends roughly 4.5–5 cm posterior to the

anterior lacrimal crest. The ethmoid bone makes the major contribution, with extensions of its frontoethmoidal and maxilloethmoidal sutures defining the superior and inferior medial borders. The lacrimal, maxillary, and sphenoid bones also contribute to the medial wall. The medial wall becomes thicker posteriorly at the body of the sphenoid and anteriorly at both the posterior lacrimal crest of the lacrimal bone and at the anterior lacrimal crest of the maxillary bone. The many bullae of the ethmoid pneumatization can be seen as a honeycomb pattern beneath the lamina papyracea. This supportive structure in part explains why the medial wall fractures less often than the thicker orbital floor.

Congenital dehiscences sometimes are seen at the ethmoidal suture lines, whereas age atrophy is seen centrally in the ethmoid plate. Important to the orbital surgeon are the anterior and posterior ethmoidal foramina conveying branches of the ophthalmic artery and the nasociliary nerve. They are located at the frontoethmoidal suture approximately 24 and 36 mm posterior to the anterior lacrimal crest, respectively. Additionally, the frontoethmoidal suture serves as an important guide during orbital surgery approximating the level of the floor of the anterior cranial fossa.

The position of the cribriform plate relative to the medial orbital wall is variable. At the posterior lacrimal crest, the vertical distance from medial canthal ligament to the anterior cranial fossa ranges between 0 and 19 mm (mean = 6.5 mm). This distance may be 3 mm or less in 20% of individuals [9]. This variability in anatomy should be considered during dacryocystorhinostomy.

Orbital Apex

Because of its many important neural and vascular structures, the orbital apex is especially worthy of study. The orbital apex is an extremely busy area because of the narrowing of the walls associated with the exit of venous blood, the entrance of arterial blood and a large number of nerves, and the origin of six extraocular muscles.

The superior orbital fissure [10] is a transverse notch 22 mm in length between the greater and lesser wings of the sphenoid bone, which descends medially (see Fig. 1.5). There is much individual variation in the shape of the superior orbital fissure, but usually the fissure is more narrow superotemporally. This fissure transmits most of the critical neurovascular structures entering the orbit. Important exceptions are the optic nerve and ophthalmic artery, which traverse the optic canal as well as the maxillary division of the trigeminal nerve, and the inferior ophthalmic vein, which course through the inferior orbital fissure.

The lacrimal, frontal, and trochlear nerves and the superior ophthalmic vein pass through the superolateral portion of the fissure outside the annulus of Zinn. The middle

meningeal artery anastomosis with the ophthalmic artery may enter here, if not through its own foramen more anteriorly in the roof. The annulus of Zinn is a fibrous ring formed by the common origin of the rectus muscles. This ring encircles the central portion of the superior orbital fissure, the oculomotor foramen, giving access to the intraconal space. Structures passing through this portion of the superior orbital fissure include the superior and inferior divisions of the third cranial nerve, the sixth cranial nerve, the nasociliary branch of the ophthalmic trigeminal nerve, and sympathetic nerve fibers. Additionally, the optic nerve and the ophthalmic artery pass through the annulus of Zinn from the optic canal.

Radiologic enlargement of the superior orbital fissure may accompany aneurysm, meningioma, chordoma, pituitary adenoma, or tumors of the orbital apex. Pathologic entities involving this region may result in superior orbital fissure syndrome manifested by total or partial ophthalmoplegia, V, anesthesia, and venous congestion.

Medial to the superior orbital fissure lies the optic foramen, which conveys the optic nerve, the ophthalmic artery, and sympathetic nerve fibers. This canal is formed by the lesser wing of the sphenoid superolaterally, the optic strut inferolaterally, and the body of the sphenoid medially. The inferior root of the lesser wing of the sphenoid, the optic strut, joins the body of the sphenoid to its lesser wing and separates the optic foramen from the superior orbital fissure (see Figs. 1.5 and 1.15). In approximately 50% of cases, the posterior ethmoid air cells are in contact with the medial aspect of the optic canal [11]. The axis of the foramen is directed downward and outward toward the lateral inferior orbital rim. Deviation away from the sagittal plane is about 35°, and descent below the horizontal plane is about 38° [12]. The optic canals measure approximately 8–10 mm in length and course posteromedially and superiorly, ending just medial and anterior to the anterior clinoid processes. This relationship is useful in differentiating the optic canals from the superior orbital fissures on neuroimaging studies. Microcryoplaning with computerized reconstruction has been performed to illustrate the anatomic relationships [13] at the orbital apex.

The optic canal normally measures 5–6 mm in diameter. Because of a shift in the position of the ophthalmic artery relative to the optic nerve, the canal is horizontally oval posteriorly and more vertically oval anteriorly. The optic canal attains adult dimensions by age 3 years and usually exhibits symmetry within the individual. A diameter greater than 6.5 mm or a difference of more than 1 mm between sides is generally considered abnormal. Deformation of the optic canal has been demonstrated in dried skulls by direct forehead pressure [14]. The thin optic strut forming the lateral and inferior borders of the optic canal is subject to deformation in optic nerve gliomas and infraclinoid aneurysms [15].

At the orbital apex and just inferior to the optic canal lies the inferior orbital fissure. This fissure is a bony defect

20 mm in length separating the orbital floor and the lateral wall in the posterior half of the orbit (see Fig. 1.5). Laterally, the fissure is bounded by the greater wing of the sphenoid and medially by the palatine and maxillary bones. The axis of the fissure is an anterior projection of the optic foramen. The inferior fissure extends more anteriorly than the superior fissure, ending about 20 mm from the orbital rim. This structure serves as the posterolateral limit of subperiosteal dissection along the orbital floor. Immediately beneath the fissure lies the pterygopalatine fossa, with the infratemporal fossa positioned more laterally. Blunt trauma to the temporalis muscle can thus result in orbital hemorrhage via the inferior orbital fissure.

The inferior orbital fissure allows passage of the inferior ophthalmic veins to the pterygoid venous plexus. The maxillary division (V2) of the trigeminal nerve leaves the foramen rotundum to enter the orbit at the extreme superoposterior aspect of the fissure. Arriving with the maxillary nerve is a terminal branch of the internal maxillary artery, which becomes the infraorbital artery. The fissure also transmits the zygomatic nerve and accompanying postganglionic parasympathetic branches from the pterygopalatine ganglion. These parasympathetic fibers pass from the zygomaticotemporal nerve to the lacrimal nerve en route to the lacrimal gland. The inferior orbital fissure is covered by the vestigial smooth orbital muscle of Muller.

The cavernous sinus, located immediately posterior to the orbital apex, is discussed later.

Nasal and Paranasal Sinuses

The orbital roof, floor, and medial wall are intimately related to the nasal cavity. These bones are pneumatized by paranasal sinuses arising from and maintaining communication with the nasal cavity. Because of this intimate relationship, the orbital surgeon must have a solid understanding of paranasal sinus anatomy. Pathologic processes of these sinuses often create orbital effects. In addition, the lacrimal excretory system must be studied in light of these same surrounding structures.

Regional anatomy often can best be understood in terms of function. The nose, for example, filters, warms, and moistens air and collects secretions from the sinuses and nasolacrimal duct. The paranasal sinuses, however, do not enjoy a function that has been universally accepted as reason for their development. Leading theories are as follows: (1) impart resonance to the voice, (2) humidify and warm inspired air, (3) increase the area of the olfactory membrane, (4) absorb shock applied to the head for protection of sensory organs, (5) secrete mucus for keeping the nasal chambers moist, (6) thermally insulate the nervous centers, (7) aid facial growth, (8) exist as evolutionary remnants or unwanted air