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A LATE DIAGNOSIS OF A PRIMARY INTER-OSSEOUS SQUAMOUS CELL CARCINOMA:

A CASE REPORT. A. ABDELKARIM^{A,B,C}, A.Z. SAYED^{A,B,C}, A.M. ELZAYAT^{A,B,C}, S. LOZANOFF^{A,B,C}, N. KOCHANOWSKI^{A,B,C}. ^A UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA, MANOA, HI, ^B CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY, CLEVELAND, OH, ^C SUEZ CANAL UNIVERSITY, ISMAILIA, EGYPT

Background: Primary intraosseous squamous cell carcinoma is a rare malignant central jaw tumor derived from odontogenic epithelial remnants. It predominantly affects the mandible, although both jawbones may be involved.

Objective(s): The purpose of this article was to represent the clinical, radiologic, and microscopic characteristics of a late diagnosed primary interosseous squamous cell carcinoma (PIOSCC). This case adds to the very few cases of PIOSCC in the literature.

Study Design: This case report describes a 60-year-old man who was initially misdiagnosed with a periapical infection related to the right lower wisdom tooth, that is, an infected odontogenic cyst of the mandible. After 4 months, the patient presented to a private dental clinic with a large swelling at the right side of the mandible.

Results: Extraoral examination revealed a swelling with paresthesia in the right mandibular angle. A panoramic radiograph was requested and revealed a complete erosion of the right ramus with an extension of the lesion to the body of the mandible. Advanced imaging revealed a large, ill-defined, right facial soft tissue mass lesion measuring $8.8 \times 4.5 \times 5$ cm. The microscopic examination revealed fibrofatty tissue infiltrated by a tumor mass formed of solid groups of large pleomorphic atypical squamous cells with high nuclear-to-cytoplasmic ratio and focal intracytoplasmic keratin formation. The diagnosis was PIOSCC.

Discussion/Conclusions: Radiologic and clinical characteristics of PIOSCCs are similar to those of benign odontogenic cysts and tumors. In certain cases, early-stage PIOSCC may mimic routine dental disorders, such as periapical and periodontal disease, which may lead to misdiagnosis or delayed diagnosis. Clinicians

must be aware that PIOSCC may initially present as a routine dental disorder, and that unsuccessful treatment may be a sign of underlying malignancy.

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ADEQUATE COMPLETION OF RADIOLOGY REQUEST FORMS AT NEWCASTLE DENTAL HOSPITAL: A TWO-CYCLE AUDIT. C. LOWE, N. HEATH. NEWCASTLE DENTAL HOSPITAL, NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE, UK

Background: The usefulness of a radiologic examination and its report can be reduced significantly if the clinical background and specific problem to be answered are not given in the request. Inadequate information can lead to mistakes in patient identification and delay in returning reports to the correct destination.

Objective(s): The aim of this audit was to assess current request forms to determine if sufficient information was provided. The audit aims to ensure the quality of care provided to patients and to identify ways to assist clinicians to provide adequate information when requesting a report.

Study Design: Data were randomly collected from 53 patient records, where a radiologic request was made from the Oral Surgery department using the current request forms. Forms were analyzed against 8 criteria and recorded as either "criteria met" or "criteria not met." Data were recorded on a collection table and analyzed to determine what percentage of radiology request forms could be deemed adequate and, when not, what the failing criteria were. A new form was then constructed considering the failings of the first cycle of data collection. The new radiology request form was then used for a period of 3 months and a second cycle of data collected.

Results: The first cycle of the audit revealed that 0% of request forms met the standard, with 100% of forms omitting at least 1 of the criteria measured. Following the implementation of the redesigned form, the second cycle revealed that 70% of all forms met all criteria and could be deemed as adequate.

Discussion/Conclusions: The new request form has dramatically improved the way the forms are completed. Marked improvement was noted in the information provided by clinicians on the new forms, showing that the new design helps to prompt clinicians to provide adequate information for reports to be generated.

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