

Alveolobuccal Cancer – Management Strategies during last 30 years

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Abstract

The present work on Alveolo Buccal Cancer was compiled for the past about 30 years. Factors responsible for late presentation of cases in advanced stage, the available hospital facilities for treatment type of Surgery performed and the results in the earlier years (1960s and 70s) have been compared with those in the subsequent decades till date. The recent developments in the radiation and chemotherapy with improved techniqes of wide excisional surgery and same stage reconstruction of resulting defects by Myocutaneous flaps, Osteomyuocutaneous flaps and free flaps utilizing Microvascular anastomosis has been highlighted. Prevention of Oral Cancer by Antitobacco Community Education Programme, recognition of pre-cancerous lesions, early diagnosis and prompt treatment is still the main stay of management.

Key words: Alveolo-buccal Cancer/Indian Oral Cancer, Earlier Surgery, Current Surgical Technique, M.C. Flaps, Free flaps with microvascular anastomosis and Laser surgery.

