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Oral mucositis: A very common oral side effect of radio-chemotherapy

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Introduction: Oral mucositis is a frequent adverse effect of cytotoxic treatments by chemotherapy or radiotherapy. At the moment, there is no validated consensus for preventive or curative care.

Aim: To carry out a state of the management of chemo-induced mucositis.

Materials and Methods: Our study is a retrospective observational one, carried on 40 patients in two departments: dental service, and radiotherapy service of the National Institute of Oncology (INO) of Rabat, as well as in the Oral Surgery department of the Consultation Center of Dental Treatment of Rabat. The included patients were treated with radiotherapy +/- highly mitogenic chemotherapy. The evaluation criteria were: Age, sex, living environment, oral health, type of cancer treatment and others.

Results: Among the 40 patients included, 5 subjects developed mild grade 1 mucositis, grade 2 interested a group of 17 subjects, 14 patients developed grade 3 mucositis, and finally 4 subjects developed severe grade 4 mucositis. Preventive treatment was introduced in only 11 patients. Of the 40 cases, 33 were treated with curative treatment.

Discussion: After analysis of the results, there was no correlation between the type of pathology treated, the cytotoxic treatment used and the management modalities of the mucositis.

Conclusion: Although the results were very disparate, they will enable us to evolve the practices, validating proposals of protocols of care in a multidisciplinary working group. A new study could then be carried out to evaluate the effectiveness of these protocols.

Biography

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