



Oral Maxillofacial Pathology – Surgical Management

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DISCIPLINE LEAD ORAL MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY

Oral Maxillofacial Pathology

- ▶ Assumed knowledge of oral mucosal lesions
- ▶ Assumed knowledge of common benign salivary gland tumours
- ▶ Assumed knowledge of bone lesions
- ▶ Assumed knowledge of dental anatomy and tooth development
- ▶ Assumed knowledge of head and neck anatomy

Oral Maxillofacial Pathology

- ▶ Learning outcomes – able to discuss the appropriate investigations e.g. imaging and biopsy
- ▶ Learning outcomes – management of pathology e.g. surgery

Jaw cysts

- ▶ Cysts are pathological fluid-filled cavities lined by epithelium
- ▶ Most cysts in the jaws are formed from epithelium (odontogenic cysts)
- ▶ The most common odontogenic cyst of the jaws is the periapical (radicular) cyst
- ▶ Non-odontogenic cysts are the nasopalatine duct cyst and the nasolabial cyst

Jaw cysts

Relative frequency :

Periapical	65-70%
Dentigerous	15-18%
Odontogenic keratocyst	3-5%
Nasopalatine	5-10%
Lateral periodontal	<1%
Paradental	<1%



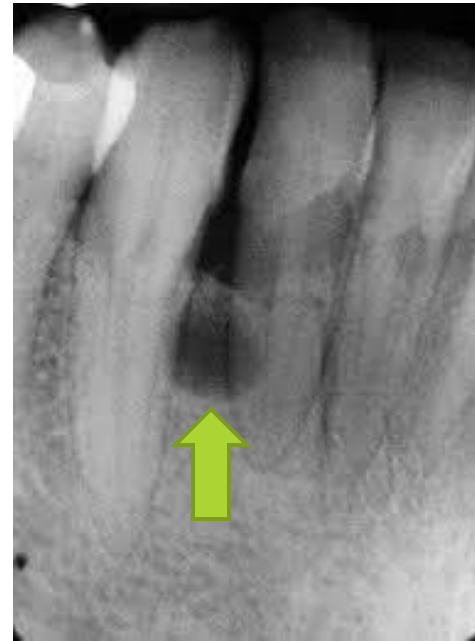
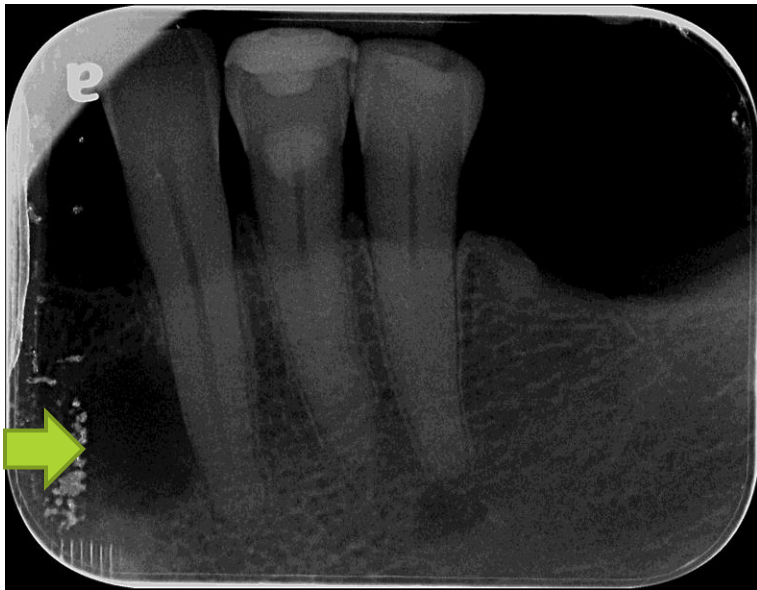


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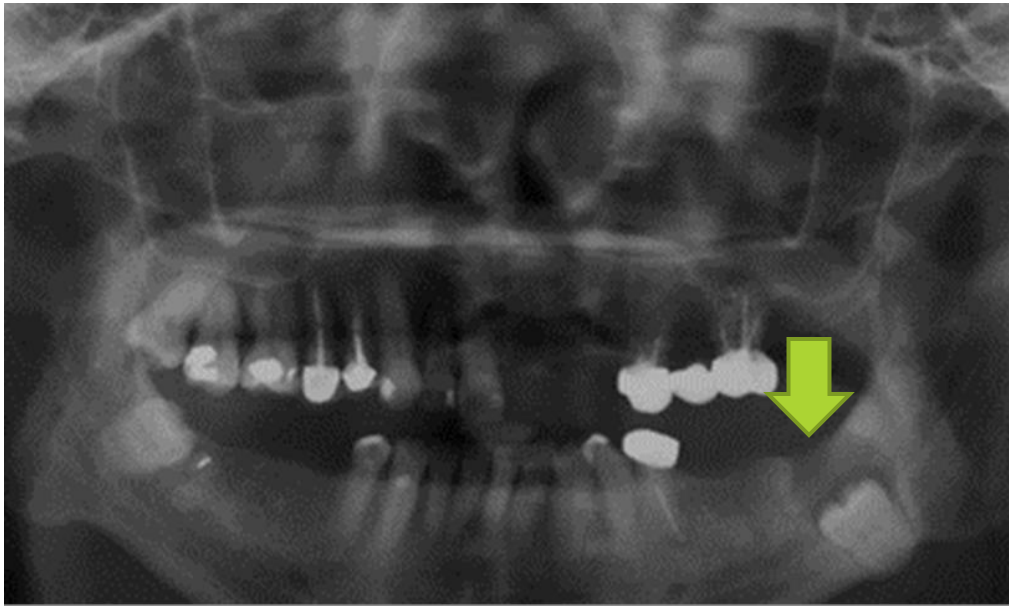
- Sharply defined radiolucencies with smooth borders
- Fluid may be aspirated
- Slow growing, displacing rather than resorbing teeth
- Symptomless unless infected and usually change radiographic findings

Jaw cysts

- ▶ May have identical radiographic appearances and diagnosis ultimately depends on **histopathology**



Diagnosis

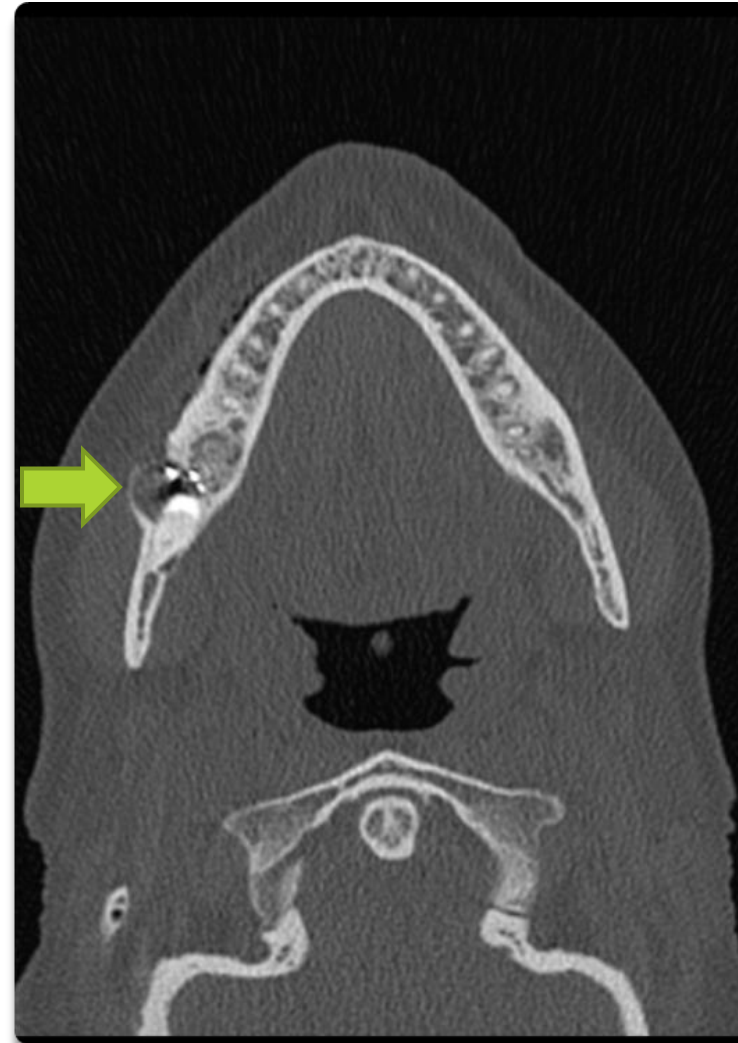


Imaging – CT scan

COMMENT:

Lucent lesion in the right mandibular angle/body likely reflects an odontogenic keratocyst

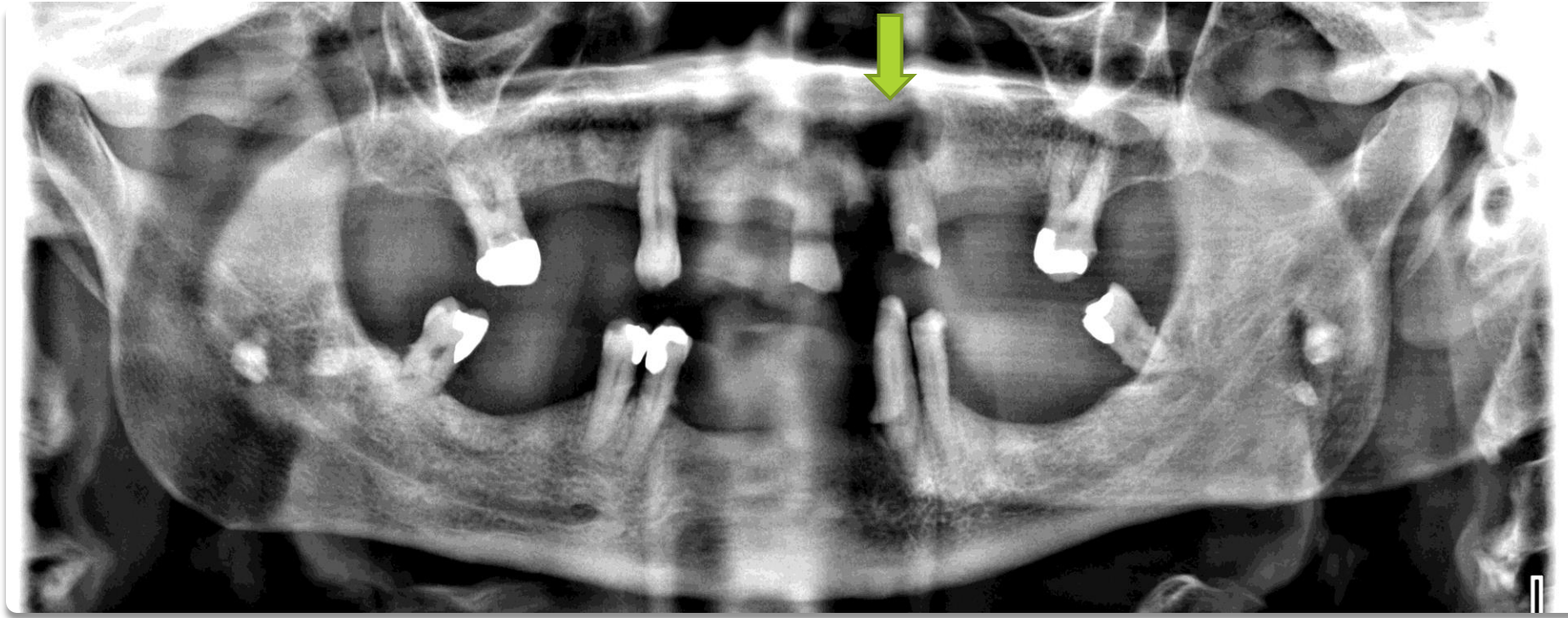
Appearances are not classical for a dentigerous cyst



Odontogenic cysts

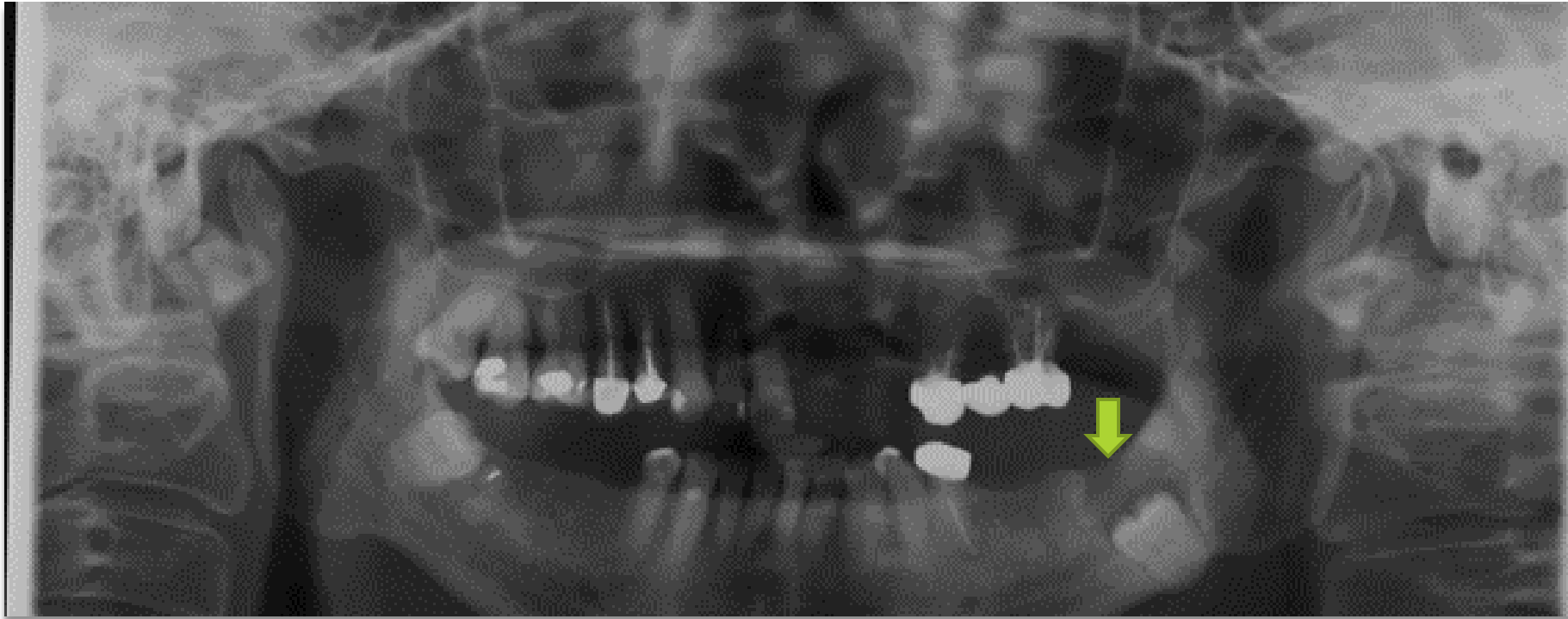
Cyst lining derived from **epithelium** involved in tooth development

- Periapical cyst (inflammatory)
- Dentigerous cyst (developmental)
- Odontogenic keratocyst (developmental)



Periapical cyst

- **Rounded, well circumscribed, corticated radiolucency at apex of nonvital tooth**
- **Enucleation after extraction or endodontic treatment**



Dentigerous cyst

- Odontogenic cyst that surrounds the crown of an impacted tooth
- Accumulation of fluid between the reduced enamel epithelium and the enamel surface
- This results in a cyst with the crown inside the lumen and the roots outside

Dentigerous cyst

- Treatment is surgical enucleation
- The associated tooth is extracted at the time of cyst enucleation
- Or the cyst is marsupialized +/- the tooth brought into alignment in the arch with orthodontic appliance



Marsupialization of jaw cyst



Odontogenic keratocyst (OKC)

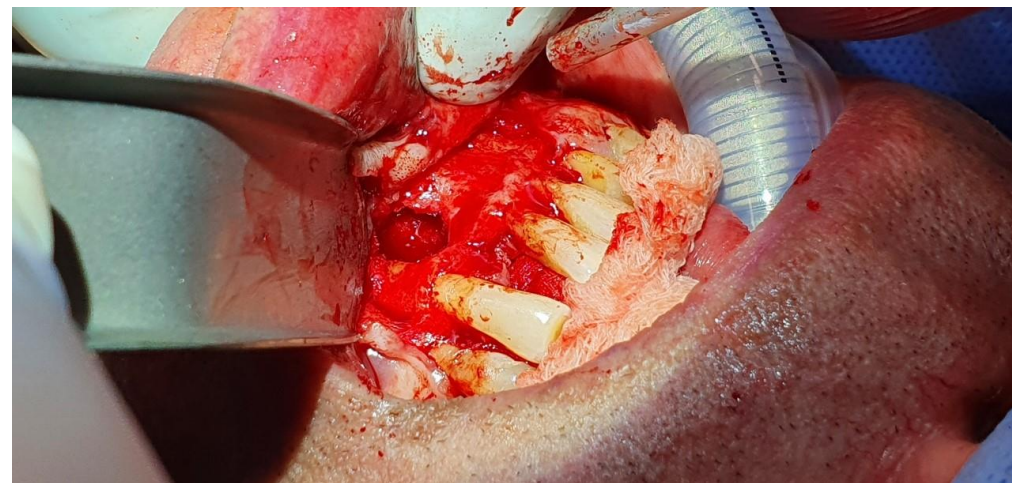
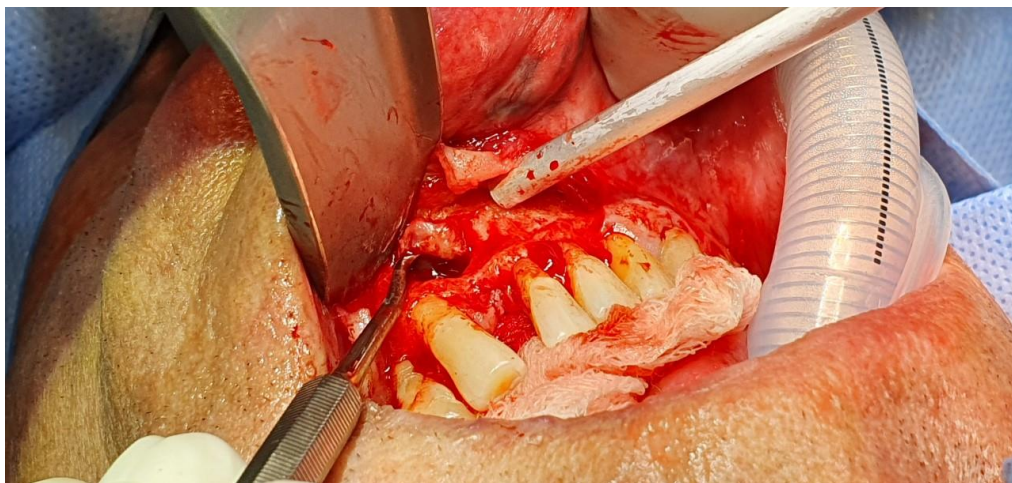
- **Wide age range (1-80), peak incidence 10-30 years**
- **Multiple OKCs a feature of Gorlin-Goltz syndrome**
- **OKC appear as well-defined solitary lesion or as a multilocular, polycystic radiolucency**



Odontogenic keratocyst (OKC)

- ▶ Histologically OKC has 4 characteristics – uniform lining of parakeratinized squamous epithelium (6-10 cells thick), palisaded columnar or cuboidal basal cells, corrugated layer of parakeration on its luminal surface and lack of rete pegs
- ▶ Treatment is surgical enucleation
- ▶ Recurrence rate of OKC up to 30%
- ▶ Clinicopathological factors such as large size, cortical perforation, tooth involvement in the lumen of the cyst, and daughter cysts appear to predict a high risk for recurrence
- ▶ Reduce recurrences with peripheral ostectomy, cryotherapy or application of Carnoy's solution

Odontogenic keratocyst (OKC)



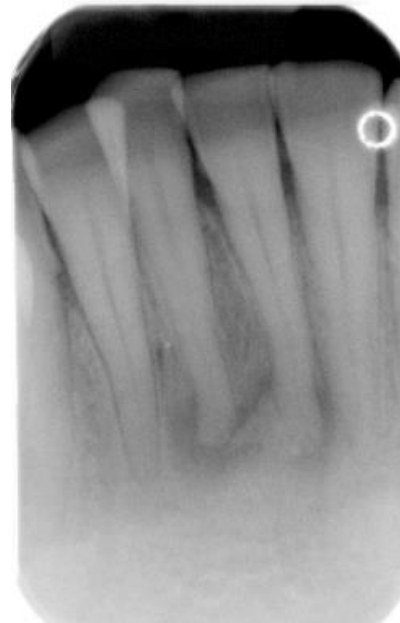
Bone lesions

- Benign fibro-osseous lesions e.g. cemento-osseous lesions, fibrous dysplasia, cherubism
- Metabolic conditions e.g. Paget disease, hyperparathyroidism
- Benign tumours e.g. torus, osteoma, giant cell lesion (aneurysmal bone cyst, central giant cell lesion, peripheral giant cell granuloma), traumatic bone cyst
- Malignant tumours e.g. chondrosarcoma, Ewing sarcoma

Cemento-osseous lesions

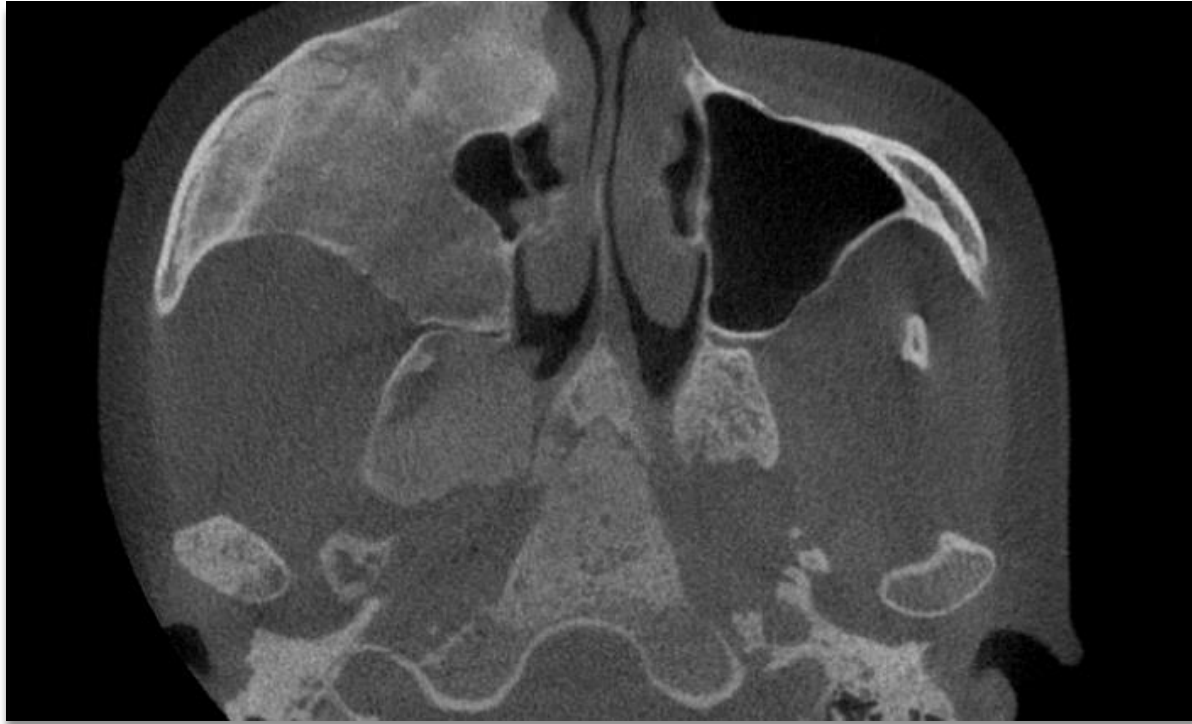
Benign fibro-osseous lesions of the jaws associated with apices of teeth

- Periapical cemental dysplasia
- Florid cemento-osseous dysplasia



Juvenile fibrous dysplasia

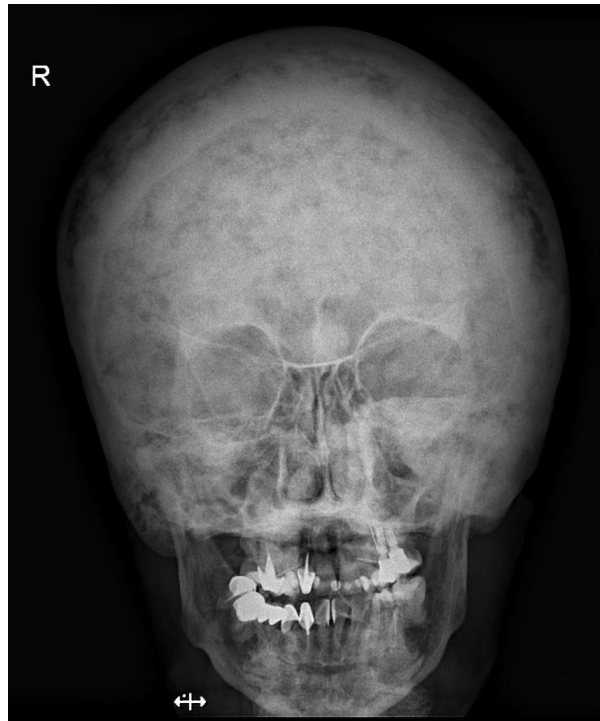
- Most common monostotic deformity in the head and neck
- Slow-growing distortion of the affected bone
- Overgrowth continues until body growth ceases in late teens or early twenties
- Treatment for cosmesis or lesion interfering with sight, breathing, mastication or speech



Polyostotic fibrous dysplasia

Another form of fibrous dysplasia is craniofacial fibrous dysplasia, a polyostotic fibrous dysplasia where lesions occur in the bones of the jaws and cranium or diffuse throughout skeleton

Paget disease



Hyperparathyroidism

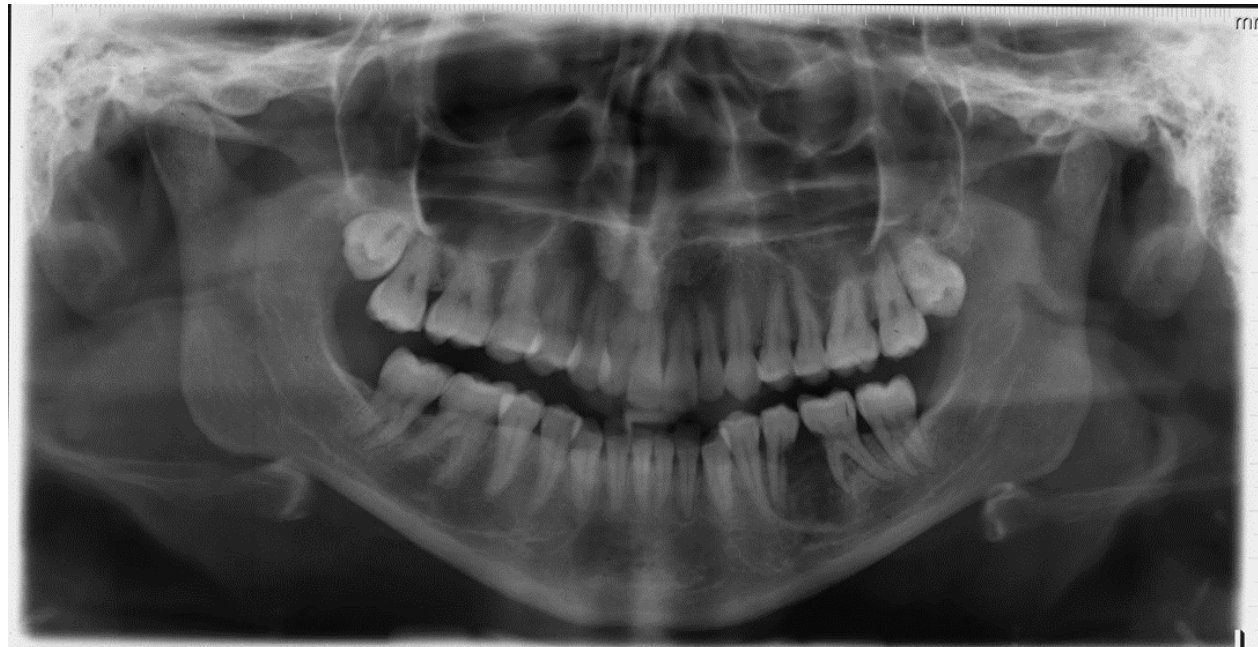


Hyperparathyroidism

- ▶ Treatment depends on the cause
- ▶ Surgery - parathyroidectomy and Subtotal parathyroidectomy can correct excessive parathyroid hormone secretions
- Medical management in milder forms in patients over 50 and no progressive bone loss
- Newer therapeutic options - calcitriol and hormone replacement to maintain bone mineral density in patients with end-stage renal disease
- ▶ Bisphosphonates for patients at risk of bone fracture

Central giant cell granuloma

- Patient presented with swelling on the left side of the mandible (expansion of buccal cortex) and mobility of associated teeth





Central giant cell granuloma

- Intraosseous destructive lesion which expand cortical plates, cause movement of teeth and produce root resorption
- Lesion composed of multinucleated giant cells
- Treatment is curettage

Aneurysmal bone cyst

- Giant cell lesion
- Contains large blood-filled spaces separated by bands of fibrous tissue containing giant cells
- Occurs in 1-30 year olds, peak incidence 10-19 year olds
- Most lesions in posterior mandible
- Treatment is **curettage**
- Lesions recur in 20% of cases and retreated

Traumatic bone cyst

- ▶ Patients under 20 and slight female predilection
- ▶ Asymptomatic intraosseous empty cavity primarily in the mandible
- ▶ Lined by thin loose connective tissue membrane
- ▶ Appears as well-circumscribed radiolucency extending between roots of associated teeth to produce a characteristic scalloped appearance
- ▶ Haemorrhage during biopsy and **curettage** usually achieves complete resolution of the lesion



Odontogenic tumours

- ▶ Unique to the jaws and originate from tissue associated with tooth development
- ▶ Benign epithelial neoplasms e.g. Ameloblastoma, Calcifying epithelial odontogenic tumour,
- ▶ Benign mixed epithelial and connective tissue neoplasm e.g. Ameloblastic fibroma
- ▶ Benign connective tissue neoplasm e.g. Cementoblastoma, Odontogenic myxoma
- ▶ Malignant odontogenic neoplasm e.g. Odontogenic carcinoma, Primary intraosseous carcinoma

Ameloblastoma

Most common neoplasm of the jaws

Neoplasm of odontogenic epithelium

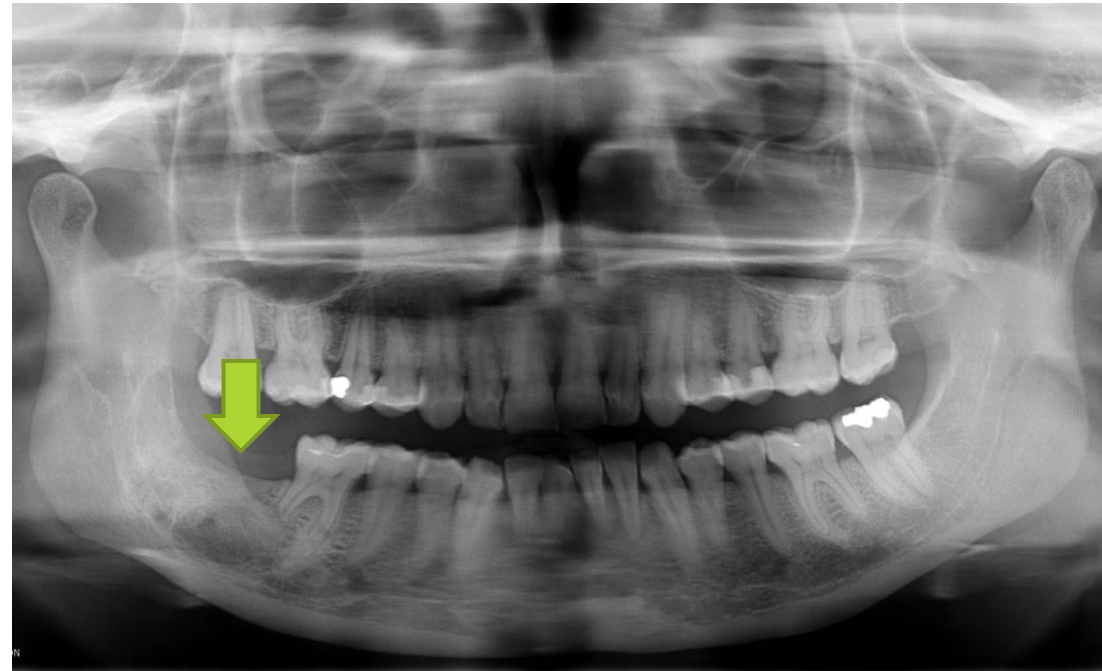
Locally invasive but does not metastasize

Asymptomatic and appears as multilocular radiologically

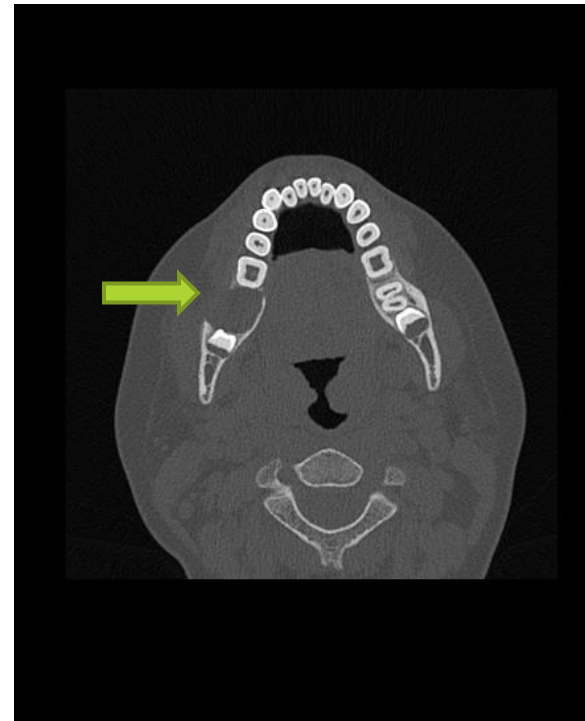
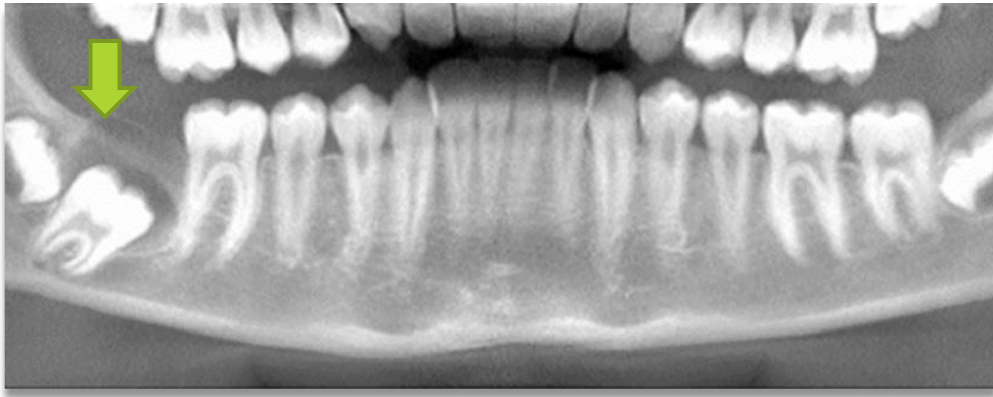
Commonly forms in posterior mandible

Unilocular or solid/multicystic type

Treated by curettage or radical excision



Imaging – OPG and CT



Ameloblastoma

- **Solid/multicystic type most clinically significant odontogenic tumour**
- **Tumour often locally aggressive and may have significant impact on patient's morbidity and mortality**

Histopathology Report

Clinical Details:

Cyst associated with unerupted tooth.

Macroscopic Description:

Right mandible cyst: Multiple tan irregular mucosal fragments measuring from 6 up to 21mm in greatest dimension. The largest mucosal fragment has been trisected and processed in block A while the remaining fragments are processed in block B. X-2A TPM

Microscopic Description:

The sections show a partially cystic lesion lined by thin epithelium with a thick fibrous wall. Islands and strands of epithelium with the typical morphological features of a follicular ameloblastoma are seen in the connective tissue wall. These include columnar peripheral cells surrounding stellate reticulum-like epithelium with some cystic degeneration. Fragments of calcified tissue are also present. A sparse chronic inflammatory cell infiltrate is present. The features are consistent with a solid/multicystic ameloblastoma. Please correlate with the clinical and radiology findings.

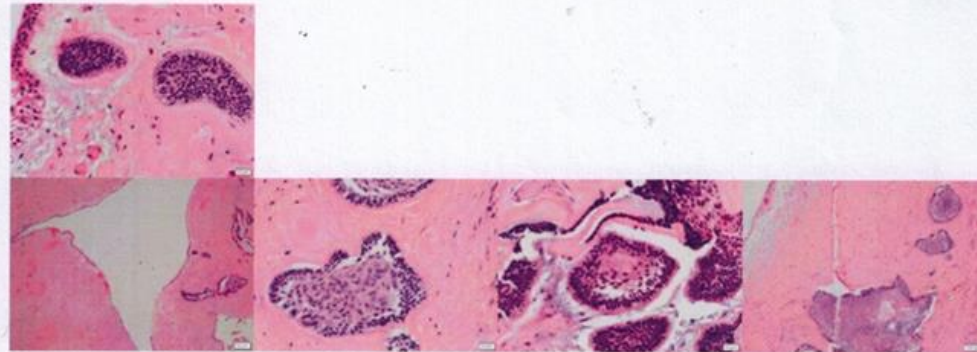
Conclusion:

Mandible: Consistent with solid/multicystic ameloblastoma.

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Radical resection and reconstruction

