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Oral and Cervical Pathology during the COVID-19 Crisis

Message from the Guest Editors

COVID-19, recognized as SARS-CoV-2, has produced a significant impact on the daily activity of ENT (ear, nose and throat) and maxillofacial surgery. Together with morpho-pathological experts, we have encountered new challenges regarding COVID-19 patients' diagnosis and management. Pathologies have ranged from mild to severe cases, requiring oxygen masks, intubation, mechanical ventilation, tracheostomy, cervicotomy, laryngectomy, pharyngolaryngectomy, etc. There have been numerous cases with hypercoagulative status, acute thrombosis, etc. All these factors have changed our daily activity regarding cancer and non-cancer patients. Our main interest in this Special Issue is to raise attention with a series of articles related to ENT and maxillofacial surgery patients, especially with deep neck infections, and oral, larynx and pharynx cancers, and indications of tracheostomy in these cases and in COVID-19 patients. At the same time, we will focus on the identification of prognostic and risk factors that might be helpful in the diagnosis and treatment of oral and cervical pathologies in patients with COVID-19.

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