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8. სტატიას თან უნდა ახლდეს ავტორის მიერ გამოყენებული სამამულო და უცხოური შრომების ბიბლიოგრაფიული სია (ბოლო 5-8 წლის სიღრმით). ანბანური წყობით წარმოდგენილ ბიბლიოგრაფიულ სიაში მიუთითეთ ჯერ სამამულო, შემდეგ უცხოელი ავტორები (გვარი, ინიციალები, სტატიის სათაური, ჟურნალის დასახელება, გამოცემის ადგილი, წელი, ჟურნალის №, პირველი და ბოლო გვერდები). მონოგრაფიის შემთხვევაში მიუთითეთ გამოცემის წელი, ადგილი და გვერდების საერთო რაოდენობა. ტექსტში კვადრატულ ფხიხლებში უნდა მიუთითოთ ავტორის შესაბამისი N ლიტერატურის სიის მიხედვით. მიზანშეწონილია, რომ ციტირებული წყაროების უმეტესი ნაწილი იყოს 5-6 წლის სიღრმის.

9. სტატიას თან უნდა ახლდეს: ა) დაწესებულების ან სამეცნიერო ხელმძღვანელის წარდგინება, დამოწმებული ხელმოწერითა და ბეჭდით; ბ) დარგის სპეციალისტის დამოწმებული რეცენზია, რომელშიც მითითებული იქნება საკითხის აქტუალობა, მასალის საკმაობა, მეთოდის სანდოობა, შედეგების სამეცნიერო-პრაქტიკული მნიშვნელობა.

10. სტატიის ბოლოს საჭიროა ყველა ავტორის ხელმოწერა, რომელთა რაოდენობა არ უნდა აღემატებოდეს 5-ს.

11. რედაქცია იტოვებს უფლებას შეასწოროს სტატია. ტექსტზე მუშაობა და შეჯერება ხდება საავტორო ორიგინალის მიხედვით.

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PREVALENCE AND DISTRIBUTION OF ODONTOGENIC CYSTS: A 12-YEAR RETROSPECTIVE STUDY

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Abstract.

Background: Odontogenic cysts, generally classified as inflammatory or developmental, in dental practice are usually identified incidentally, on routine exams and constitute an important aspect of oral and maxillofacial pathology. A few literature sources provide epidemiological data on odontogenic cysts and tumors. However, these findings may help us to better understand such lesions and improve the diagnosis of odontogenic cysts and tumors. The variability of data obtained with other studies can be attributed to various sociodemographic factors.

The aim: This study was performed to evaluate the prevalence and age, gender and site distribution of dentigerous cysts.

Methods: The data presented in this article are the result of a retrospective study conducted at the Clinic and Polyclinic for Oral, Maxillofacial, and Facial Surgery Ludwig Maximilian University, Germany. Of the 392 odontogenic cysts studied, 130 were found to be dentigerous cysts. The following variables were analyzed: histological type, age, gender and anatomic location.

Results: The results of our study showed a similar frequency of odontogenic cysts as compared to other results with findings in the literature and populations of the world, with radicular cyst being identified as the most frequent odontogenic cyst. In our cohort, radicular cysts constituted 57.9%, the percentage of dentigerous cysts was 33.17%. The mandible (81.54%) was significantly more affected than the maxilla (16.15%), and the cysts were mostly located in the molar region (60.5%). Male patients were more affected by odontogenic cysts, constituting 66.07% compared to females at 33.93%.

Conclusion: All histologically confirmed radicular cyst, dentigerous cyst, eruption cyst, residual cyst, and lateral periodontal cyst are identified in our patients by using different criteria. Cases were evaluated based on cyst gender, age and site distribution. Radicular cysts and dentigerous cysts were more frequently diagnosed but residual cyst, eruption cyst, and lateral periodontal cyst occurred much less frequently. Our results essentially confirmed the data of previously published studies. A significant association between dentigerous cyst prevalence and patient gender was identified. In pediatric patients, dentigerous cysts were often more frequent in girls than in boys. Significantly statistic relationship was found between this cyst frequency and age.

Key words. Odontogenic cysts, dentigerous cysts, epidemiology, age, gender, location.

Introduction.

Odontogenic cysts are pathological unilocular or multilocular radiolucent lesion with cavities that can be filled with liquid,

pasty contents, or gas. They are bounded by a connective tissue capsule, that is, the cyst walls (or membrane), and can be located in bone or soft tissue. The inner layer of the cyst wall is covered from the outside inward by a layer of fibrous connective tissue and single or multiple layers of squamous epithelial tissue. This epithelial lining can also have different histological features.

The dentigerous (follicular) cyst, also known as a dentigerous cyst forms around an unerupted, retained, and displaced tooth, attaching to the enamel-cement junction [1-3]. Epithelial-lined developmental such cyst type forms with accumulation of fluid between the crown of an unerupted tooth and the reduced enamel epithelium of that tooth. Its capsule mainly consists of dental follicle and enamel epithelium [4,5].

Development of dentigerous cyst is determined with an increasing of fluid between tooth crown and enamel epithelium or between layers of epithelium. Dentigerous cysts mainly develops as a cause of development anomalies. According to a relative location to causative tooth such cysts classified some forms; Pericoronal Type (Central Type), Lateral Type and Interradicular Type [6-8]. When cyst process covers or surrounds all tooth crown its accepted as a central type. In the cyst surrounds the causative tooth crown partially [9]. During central and partially types of cyst attach to the enamel-cement junction. But in interradicular type main mass of cyst localized between roots. In practice, mainly seen central type. Lateral and interradicular types are rare than central type [10,11]. Clinically they determine mainly by radiological methods, for example with X-ray.

The aim of this study was performed to evaluate the prevalence and age, gender and site distribution of dentigerous cysts.

Materials and Methods.

Study Design: The basis of this monocentric retrospective study comprises a total of 392 odontogenic cysts in 344 patients from the Clinic and Polyclinic for Oral, Maxillofacial, and Facial Surgery at Ludwig Maximilian University, Campus Innenstadt, treated on an outpatient, inpatient, and day patient basis.

Inclusion Criteria: All patients with histologically confirmed odontogenic cysts (radicular cyst, dentigerous cyst, eruption cyst, residual cyst, and lateral periodontal cyst) treated at the Clinic and Polyclinic for Oral, Maxillofacial, and Facial Surgery at Ludwig Maximilian University, Campus Innenstadt, on an outpatient, inpatient, and day patient were included. The excised tissues were examined and histologically evaluated by the Institute of Pathology, Ludwig Maximilian University, Munich.

Age and Gender: The age and gender distribution of the entire patient cohort and individual cyst types were determined.

The relationship between the age and gender of patients with odontogenic cysts was analyzed. Patients were divided into two main groups: a) 0-16 years and b) over 16 years. Additionally, patients were also divided into decades of life.

Evaluation of Imaging: Radiological evaluation and determination of cyst localization were carried out using preoperatively created panoramic layer images (OPT), dental X-ray images, bite images, lower jaw overview images according to Clementschitsch, digital volume tomography (DVT), magnetic resonance tomography (MRT), and computed tomography (CT). The description in the respective operation report was also used for localization determination. Both the upper and lower jaw were divided into individual regions (Figure 1).

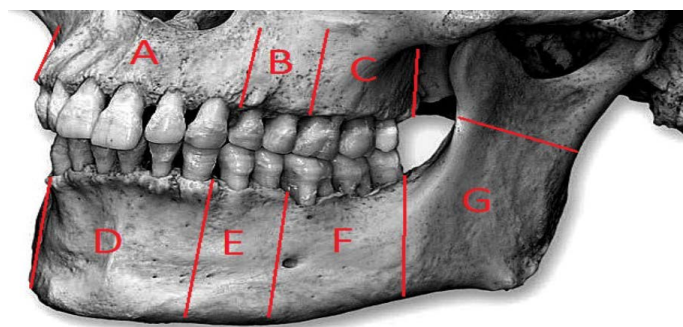


Figure 1. Cyst locations in the upper and lower jaw the upper jaw was divided into anterior area (A), premolar area (B), molar area (C) and the lower jaw was divided into anterior area (D), premolar area (E), molar area (F) and ascending mandibular ramus (G). The localization boundaries are shown in red.

Data Processing and Analysis: The statistical analysis used SAS 9.3 software (SAS Institute, Cary NC). Other software programs, such as Microsoft Word® 2007 (word processing), Microsoft Excel® 2007 (tabular presentation of patient data), and Microsoft PowerPoint® 2007 (graphical presentation of results), were also utilized. A descriptive analysis of all collected patient data was performed.

Results.

Evaluation of General Patient Data: From January 2003 to June 2014, 344 patients with 392 odontogenic cysts were treated at the Clinic for Oral, Maxillofacial, and Facial Surgery at Ludwig Maximilian University.

Distribution of Cyst Entities: The analysis of the patient cohort predominantly revealed radicular and dentigerous (follicular) cysts, constituting 91.07% (n=357 cysts) of the total. Residual cysts represented 5.1% (n=20 cysts). Eruption cysts (2.8%, n=11 cysts) and lateral periodontal cysts (1.03%, n=4 cysts) occurred infrequently (Figure 2).

Age-Specific Distribution of Cyst Entities: Radicular and dentigerous cysts were diagnosed more frequently in adults (93.21%, n=316) and pediatric patients (77.36%, n=41). Figures 3 and 4 depict the cyst distribution in children and adult populations.

Age and Gender Distribution: Male patients were more affected by odontogenic cysts, constituting 66.07% (n=259) compared to females at 33.93% (n=133). In the adult patient

cohort, males also dominated with 67.84% (n=230), while females constituted 32.16% (n=109), resulting in a ratio of 2.1:1 (male: female). In patients with all odontogenic cysts under 16 years, the gender distribution was more balanced (54.71%, n=29 male; 45.29%, n=24 female), resulting in a ratio of 1.2:1. The youngest patient was 11 months old, and the oldest was 92 years old. The majority of cases, regardless of gender, occurred in the 5th decade, accounting for 20.9% (n=82). 4th decade followed with 19.4% (n=76). However, patients with follicular cysts after distribution across gender-independent life decades, it was observed that the majority of follicular cysts, 24.6% (n=32), occurred in the age group between 41-50 years, followed by the patient group between 51 and 60 years with 17.7% (n=23) (Figure 5).

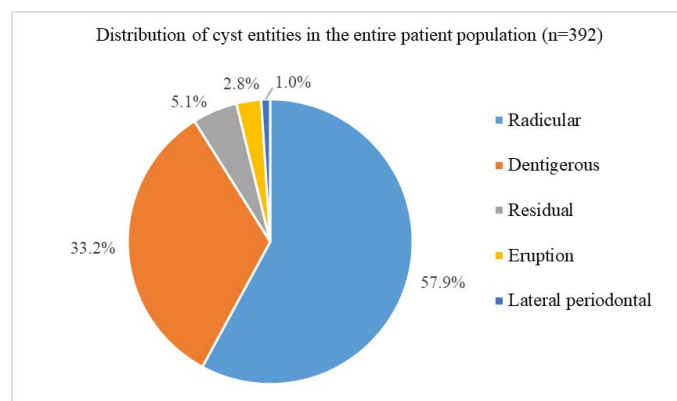


Figure 2. Distribution of cyst entities in the entire patient population (n=392) Radicular cyst 57,9 % (n=227); Dentigerous cyst 33,17 % (n=130); Residual cyst 5,1 % (n=20); Eruption cyst 2,8 % (n=11); Lateral periodontal cyst 1,03 % (n=4).

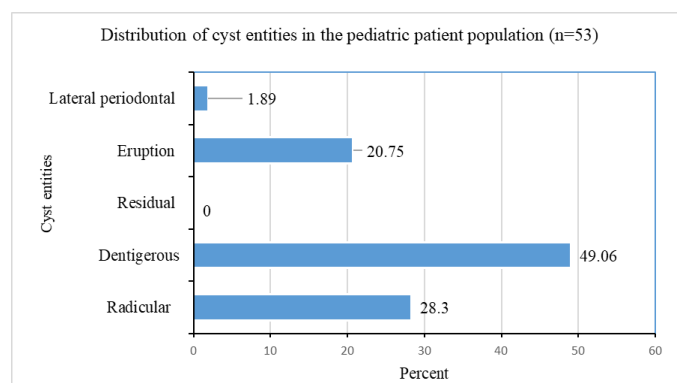


Figure 3. Distribution of cyst entities in the pediatric patient population (n=53) Radicular cyst 28,3 % (n=15), Dentigerous cyst 49,06 % (n=26), Residual cyst 0 % (n=0), Eruption cyst 20,75 % (n=11), Lateral Periodontal cyst 1,89 % (n=1).

Gender-specific age distribution across life decades revealed a concentration in female patients during adolescence (11-20) and in male patients in middle adulthood (41-50). In patients with dentigerous cysts under 16 years old, gender ratio was 46.15% (n=12) male, 53.85% (n=14) female. In spite of it, in adult patients with dentigerous cysts that ratio was 74.04% (n=77) male, 25.96% (n=27) female. For all patients with that type of cysts gender ratio was 68.46% (n=89) male, 31.54% (n=41) female (Figure 6).

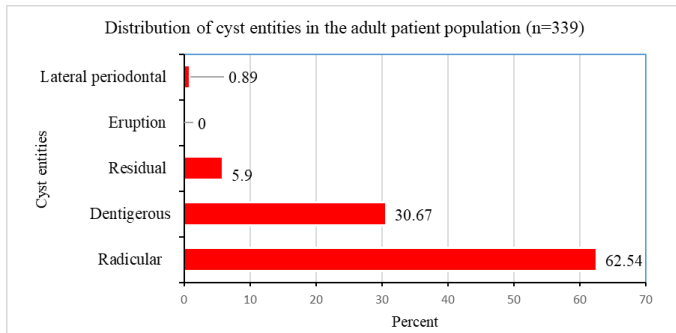


Figure 4. Distribution of cyst entities in the adult patient population (n=339) Radicular cyst 62,54 % (n=212), Dentigerous cyst 30,67 % (n=104), Residual cyst 5,9 % (n=20), Eruption cyst 0 % (n=0), Lateral Periodontal cyst 0,89 % (n=3).

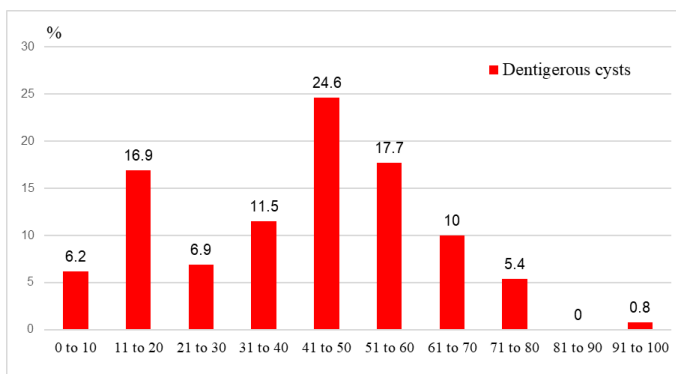


Figure 5. Gender-unspecific age distribution (by decades of life) of dentigerous (follicular) cysts (n=130).

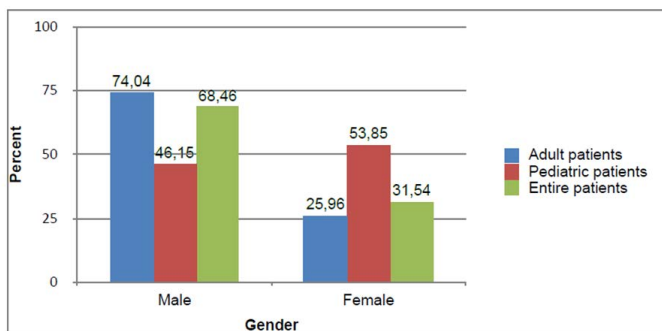


Figure 6. Gender distribution of the entire patient population (n=130), adult (n=104) and pediatric patients (n=26) with dentigerous cysts.

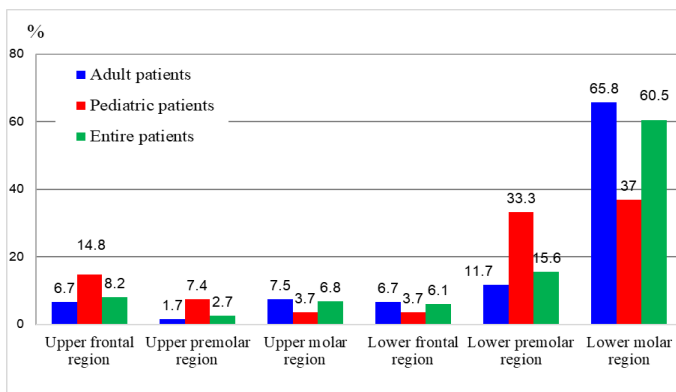


Figure 7. Location of dentigerous cysts in adult (n=104), pediatric (n=26) and entire patient population (n=130). Y - axis: percentage of follicular cysts, X - axis: location (upper jaw, lower jaw - lower jaw).

Localization dentigerous cysts were predominantly located in the mandible (81.54%, n=106). The most affected area in the mandible was the molar region, accounting for 60.5% (n=89), while in the maxilla, it was the anterior tooth region, with 8.2% (n=12) (Figure 7).

Discussion.

In this study, 392 odontogenic cysts were examined in a total of 344 patients, and the results were evaluated. The WHO classification of odontogenic tumors and cysts from 2005 served as the basis [12,13]. Although many studies conducted since 2005 have often analyzed odontogenic keratocyst along with odontogenic cysts [14-16]. We did not include keratocystic odontogenic tumors according to the 2005 classification. The ratio of individual cyst entities was similar in different patient cohorts in many studies. Radicular cysts usually accounted for approximately 50%-54%, and dentigerous cysts for about 20%-24% of cyst entities [17-22].

In our cohort, radicular cysts constituted 57.9%. Yet, the percentage of dentigerous cysts in our study was 33.17%. Our results showed that the frequency of cysts significantly decreased from the 7th decade of life onwards. A possible cause for this could be the extensive tooth loss in this age group and the irregular attendance of control examinations by patients with care needs due to health complaints. The literature commonly describes dentigerous cysts as the second most prevalent type of all odontogenic cysts and the most frequent form of developmental odontogenic cysts by various authors [23-25]. Our results essentially aligned with this. In our study, males were more affected (68.46%) than females (31.54%). Numerous studies also reported higher occurrences in males, ranging from 61% to 74.2% (over 60%), compared to females [26,27].

However, other studies reported the percentage of affected male patients at 52% to 57.3% (below 60%) [28,29]. In pediatric patients, other studies showed that dentigerous cysts were often more frequent in boys than in girls [30,31]. In contrast, our study showed a higher percentage of affected girls (53.85%) than boys (46.15%). Numerous authors described dentigerous cysts most commonly in the 2nd decade of life [32,33].

In our cohort, patients in the 5th decade of life accounted for the highest proportion, at 24.6%, when affected by a dentigerous cyst. Similar results were reported in retrospective study of an English population (United Kingdom) [34]. In both the aforementioned study and ours, the 6th decade presented as the second most common period of affliction. In numerous studies, dentigerous cysts were predominantly found in the mandible, especially in the molar region [35-37] and the maxillary anterior tooth region [38]. Other described an exception, with the most common localization in the mandibular premolar region. [39]. In our study, the mandible (81.54%) was significantly more affected than the maxilla (16.15%), and the cysts were mostly located in the molar region (60.5%). The mandibular premolar region was identified as the second most common localization. In pediatric patients, numerous studies indicated a preference for dentigerous cysts in the maxilla [40-43].

However, in our study, the most frequent location was the mandible, accounting for 73.08%. This could be explained by the fact that younger patients often have retained and displaced

wisdom teeth, which cannot erupt properly due to lack of space. This impeded eruption is a cause of dentigerous cyst formation. Such cysts are often detected during orthodontic treatment of pediatric patients and referred for therapy. In 19.23% of cases, the maxilla alone, and in 7.69% of cases, the maxilla together with the maxillary sinus were affected. The dentigerous cysts in this study were mostly located in the 3rd and 4th quadrants, especially in the molar region. This could be related to retained and displaced wisdom teeth, which are often not removed and thus remain retained for a long period. The age distribution of patients with dentigerous cysts also showed that the majority in our study was in the 5th and 6th decades of life. This confirms that older patients often present with such findings, which are diagnosed and treated late due to their asymptomatic course.

Conclusion.

All histologically confirmed radicular cyst, dentigerous cyst, eruption cyst, residual cyst, and lateral periodontal cyst are identified in our patients by using different criteria. Cases were evaluated based on cyst gender, age and site distribution. Radicular cysts and dentigerous cysts were more frequently diagnosed but residual cyst, eruption cyst, and lateral periodontal cyst occurred much less frequently. Our results essentially confirmed the data of previously published studies. A significant association between dentigerous cyst prevalence and patient gender was identified. In pediatric patients, dentigerous cysts were often more frequent in girls than in boys. Significantly statistic relationship was found between cysts frequency and age.

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Ethics.

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