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UNUSUALLY LARGE ORAL SQUAMOUS CELL PAPILLOMA – A CASE REPORT

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ARTICLE INFO	ABSTRACT	Case Report
Article History Received: March' 2019 Accepted: March' 2019 Keywords: Large Oral squamous cell papilloma	Oral squamous cell papilloma (OSCP) is a bent sessile verrucous exophytic mass, many times Papillomavirus. Soft palate, tongue & lips are the Surgical excision is the treatment of choice. Recurr A rare case of unusually large OSCP of hard palate.	related to Human most common sites. ence is rare.
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INTRODUCTION:

Oral squamous cell papilloma (OSCP) is a benign proliferation of stratified squamous epithelium resulting in a papillary or verrucous exophytic mass.¹

Even though exact etiology is not known, Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) type 6 & 11 are likely to be associated with it. 14

CASE REPORT:

A 13 yr old female reported with a complaint of slowly growing painless palatal growth since 2-3 yrs leading to discomfort, difficulty in eating & speech.

On examination, it was observed that irregularly shaped broad base whitish pink

exophytic growth of approx 4.5x2.5cms in size with finger-like projections and deep clefts was present on hard palate near 22 extending to attach gingiva. Surrounding mucosa was normal.

On palpation, lesion was rough, firm in consistency, non tender & did not bleed on provocation. Taking into consideration clinical findings & history, a provisional diagnosis of Oral Squamous Papilloma was made, after considering verruca vulgaris, condyloma acuminatum, Verruciform Xanthoma, Molluscum contagiosum, Keratoacanthoma for differential diagnosis

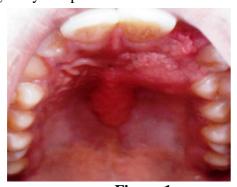


Figure 1 Figure 2
Figure 1 & 2: Show palatal lesion extending to attach gingiva



After taking consent from the patient's parents, incision biopsy was performed. The histopathological report showed the presence of keratinized stratified squamous epithelium, papillary projections with a core of connective tissue, minimal inflammatory changes &

loose collagen fibers, confirming the clinical diagnosis. The lesion was removed surgically & healing was uneventful. The absence of HP virus in tissue specimen was confirmed by PCR.



Figure 3: Keratinized stratified squamous epithelium with papillary projections



Figure 4: Excised lesion

DISCUSSION:

Oral squamous cell papilloma (OSCP) is a benign hyperplastic wart-like localized proliferation of oral epithelium. ² It is white or pink, irregular verrucous exophytic growth rarely more than 1 cm in size with a rough surface and numerous finger-like projections & minimum tendency for malignant transformation. ^{7,10,14}

It is most commonly seen in 3rd to 4th decade of life or in children without any sex predilection usually involving tongue, lips, buccal mucosa, gingiva &soft palate. ¹¹

Its pathogenesis may be linked to human papillomavirus (HPV), the presence of which can be confirmed by PCR or in situ hybridization using radioisotope labeled specific probes¹³ however recent studies suggest that presence of HPV may be an incidental finding.^{12,13,16}

Surgical removal is the treatment of choice either by routine excision or laser ablation. Other common treatment modalities include the use of electrocautery & cryosurgery. Recurrence is uncommon, except in patients infected with human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) 1,8.

CONCLUSION:

Oral Squamous Papilloma may mimic verrucous carcinoma, Verruciform Xanthoma or condyloma acuminatum with minimum risk of malignant transformation, there may be the presence of HP Virus. It is normally

treated by surgical excision, laser ablation, cryotherapy or electrocautery.

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