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DYSPLASTIC CHANGES OF PAPILLOMA OF THE MUCOUS GINGIVA IN MAXILLA: A CASE REPORT

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A papilloma is defined as a solid benign tumor of the epithelium with a clear-cut border that projects above the surrounding tissue. Papilloma appear in stratified squamous epithelium in oral cavity. Clinical appearance of most benign lesions of the gingiva looks the same, usually presenting as non-ulcerated mass on the gum. Oral squamous papilloma though benign in nature, has a higher neoplastic potential compared to other papillomas. We present a case report of papilloma of gingival mucosa in maxillary edentulous region in a 54 years old female patient with dysplastic changes. Biopsy is still considered a gold standard for gingival lesion diagnosis because there are varieties of manifestations on the gingiva which cannot be diagnosed on clinical ground. Early detection of premalignant and malignant lesions of gingiva can tremendously reduce the morbidity and mortality for the patient.

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