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An Interim Obturator Prosthesis with Hollow Bulb – A Case Report

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ABSTRACT

The survival rates of patients with malignant neoplasms have significantly improved in the past few years. Most of these tumours which involve these locations are squamous cell carcinomas and usually diagnosed late after invading the underlying alveolar bone. The treatment of such neoplasms comprises surgical resection of the lesion which may be complete or partial, depending on the extent and location such as alveoectomy, palatectomy and maxillectomy¹. These defects are rehabilitated primarily with the help of obturator in order to improve speech, mastication and deglutition of the patient. This clinical report describes the prosthodontic rehabilitation of an elderly male patient who was diagnosed with squamous cell carcinomas.

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