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Prosthesis for a Dentulous Hemimaxillectomy Patient:

A Case Report

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ABSTRACT

Rehabilitation of hemimaxillectomy patients can be challenging. The most common problem with prosthetic treatment in such patients is in getting adequate retention, stability, and support. The size and location of the defect usually influences the amount of impairment and difficulty in prosthetic rehabilitation. Patients usually present with abrupt alterations in the physiologic processes of the maxillae, along with increased anxiety levels due to sudden impairment in esthetics, mastication, speech, deglutition and hypernasal speech. Such patients should be rehabilitated as early as possible, in the postoperative phase with the help of careful preoperative planning by the surgeon and the prosthodontist. The treatment procedures included surgical removal of the tumor, immediate surgical plate and definitive obturator.

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