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Oral and maxillofacial cancers account for approximately 4.5% of all cancer cases in Iraq. Among these, **squamous cell carcinoma (SCC)** is the most prevalent, typically affecting the **tongue, cheek, retromolar region, lip, and oropharynx**. However, other malignancies, such as **adenoid cystic carcinoma of the salivary glands**, are also encountered with notable frequency.

Given the increasing clinical burden of these cancers, there is a growing need to address the **current status of cancer care services in Iraq**, including innovations in **diagnosis, treatment, and follow-up**. These concerns are central not only to **oral and maxillofacial surgeons**, but also to **oral medicine specialists, oncologists, pathologists, radiologists**, and others engaged in the care and support of patients affected by this serious disease.

In response to this urgent need, the **College of Dentistry at Hawler Medical University**, in collaboration with the **Ministry of Health – Kurdistan Regional Government, Ministry of Health – Iraq**, and the **Colleges of Dentistry and Medicine at Baghdad University, Sulaimani University, Duhok University, Mosul University**, and **Hawler Medical University**, has taken the initiative to organize the **1st Annual Oral and Maxillofacial Cancer Conference in Iraq**.

This **conference proceeding** includes a collection of scientific papers, presentations, and abstracts that reflect the scope and depth of research and clinical expertise presented during the event. We hope this volume contributes meaningfully to the advancement of knowledge and the improvement of care for individuals facing oral and maxillofacial cancers across the region.



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"Towards Standardization Of Oncological Services"



Opening Ceremony and Cancer Fund Data presented by MoH/KRG Oral cancer statistics by Dr. Khurshid A. Kheder Khrwatany

Session 1: Surgical management of oral & maxillofacial cancer - May 22, 2025

Key speakers:

- Management Of The Sternocleidomastoid In Neck Dissection by **Dr. Riadh Al-Kamali**.
- Primary Defect Reconstruction In Advanced Buccal Mucosa Cancer Patient Cases Presentation by **Dr. Suha Aloosi**.
- Metastatic neck involvement of the neck in oral squamous cell carcinoma Metastatic neck involvement of the neck in oral squamous cell carcinoma by **Dr. Medyan Al-Rousan**.

Chaired by Prof. Dr. Nuraddin Esmail with national & international experts

Day One, May 22nd 2025				
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10:20-10:35	Cancer box fund- Data Presentation: Dr. Firsat Saeed. Head of cancer box fund MoH/KRG			
10:35-10:50	Oral and maxillofacial cancer: numbers and facts: Assist. Prof. Dr. Khurshid A. Kheder Khrwatany, Head of organization committee, Hawler medial university			
Session 1: Surgery				
Time	Activity	Speaker	Chairman	Members Of Panel
11:00-11:20	Management Of The Ster-nocleidomastoid In Neck Dissection	Dr. Riadh Al-Kamali Assist. Prof. Of Maxillofacial Surgery, Hawler Medical University		
11:20-11:40	Primary Defect Reconstruc-tion In Advanced Buccal Mucosa Cancer Patient Cases Presentation	Dr. Suha Nafea Aloosi Assist.Prof. Of Maxillofacial Surgery, Sulaimani University		
11:40-12:00	Metastatic neck involve-ment of the neck in oral squamous cell carcinoma	Dr. Medyan Al-Rousan Consultant maxillofacial surgeon Alhusein, King Hussein Cancer Center, Aman Jordan		
12:00-12:40	Panel Discussion	Importance of neck dissection in management of oral and maxillofa-cial cancer		
	Moderator: Dr. Khurshid A. Kheder Khrwatany Assist. Prof. Maxillofacial surgery, Hawler Medi-cal University			
	Chairman Dr. Nuraddin Esmail , Prof. general surgery, President Of Hawler Medical University			
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Session 2: Surgery and Diagnosis – May 22, 2025

Surgical approaches and treatment of oral & maxillofacial cancer by Dr. Sabah Abdulaziz.

Key speakers:

- Approaches And Surgical Treatment Of Oral And Maxillofacial Cancer by **Dr. Sabah Abdulaziz**
- Ultra-Processed Foods, Soft Drinks, and Oral Cancer Development by **Assist Prof. Dr. Saeed Hamid Tutmaii**
- MRI And CT Imaging Of Oral Cavity Squamous Cell Carcinoma: Defining Tumor Extent And Nodal Involvement by **Dr. Idrees Jarjees Ahmed**

Moderator: Dr. Bayad Jezza, Assist. Prof. Maxillofacial Surgery, Sulaimani University.

Chaired by Prof. Dr. Ali Alzubaidi, Kurdistan Higher Council Of Medical Specialties.

Panel included experts in periodontology, radiology, oral surgery, and maxillofacial surgery.

Session 2: Surgery and Diagnosis		
Time	Activity	Speaker
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14:00-14:20	Ultra-Processed Foods, Soft Drinks, and Oral Cancer Development	Assist Prof. Dr. Saeed Hamid Tutmaii Hawler medical university
14:20-14:40	MRI And CT Imaging Of Oral Cavity Squamous Cell Carcinoma: Defining Tumor Extent And Nodal Involvement	Dr. Idrees Jarjees Ahmed , Lecturer, Hawler Medical University
14:40-15:20	Panel Discussion	The importance of collaboration between surgeon and other specialties
	Moderator: Dr. Bayad Jezza Assist. Prof. Maxillofacial surgery, Sulaimani University	
	Chairman Dr. Ali Alzubaidi , Prof. Maxillofacial surgery, Kurdistan Higher Council Of Medical Specialties Members: Dr. Hashim Dawd Musa , Prof. Periodontology, Duhok University Dr. Shawnm Nasih Dawood Assist Prof. Radiology, Hawler Medical University Dr. Abduljalil Azad Assist. Prof. Maxillofacial surgery, Hawler Medical University Dr. Sabah Abdulaziz , Consultant Oral And Maxillofacial Surgery, Baghdad Dr. Saeed Hamid Tutmaii , Assist Prof. Maxillofacial surgery, Hawler medical university Dr. Idrees Jarjees Ahmed , Lecturer, Hawler Medical University	

Session 3: Medical Oncology – May 22, 2025

Key speakers:

- Current treatment landscape in head and neck cancer by **Dr. Luqman Rehamn Sulaiman**.
- Role of adjuvant and definitive radiotherapy in oral cavity cancer by **Dr. Ahmed Sami**.

Panel discussion on medical therapy in oral and maxillofacial cancer.

Moderator: Dr. Najmuldeen Mohammed Rafeeq, Director Division Of Oncology Centers, MOH/Iraq.

Chaired by Dr. Basak Barzngy with members from Kurdistan Doctors Syndicate, Zhyanawa Hospital, MOH/KRG, and Hawler Medical University.

Session 3: Medical Oncology		
Time	Activity	Speaker
15:20-15:40	The Current Treatment Landscape In Head And Neck Cancer	Dr. Luqman Rehamn Sulaiman Assist. Prof. Oncology Hawler Medical University, College Of Medicine
15:40-16:00	The Role of adjuvant and definitive Radio-therapy in oral cavity cancer	Dr. Ahmed Sami Director of Awat Hospital
16:00-16:20	Panel Discussion	Medical therapy in oral and maxillofacial cancer
	Moderator: Dr. Najmuldeen Mohammed Rafeeq Director Division Of Oncology Centers, MOH/Iraq	
	Chairman Dr. Basak Barzngy , Consultant, Head of Kurdistan Doctors Syndicate, MOH/KRG Members Dr. Bamo Muhamad , Zhyanawa Hospital Dr. Razvan Abduljabbar MOH/KRG Dr. Luqman Rehamn Sulaiman , Assist. Prof. Oncology, Hawler Medical University, College Of Medicine Dr. Ahmed Sami , Director of Awat Hospital	
End Of First Day		

Session 4: Histopathology, Hematology, and Oral Medicine – May 23, 2025

Key speakers:

- Oral cancer challenges for histopathologists by **Dr. Saman Abdulla**.
- Precancerous lesions: Lichen planus by **Dr. Shahren Ali**.
- Oral-facial malignancies in Northern Iraq by **Dr. Dena Nadhim Mohammad**.

Panel discussion on diagnosis challenges and advances.

Moderator: Dr. Shahren Ali, Assist. Prof. Hawler Medical University.

Chaired by Dr. Nawshirwan Sadiq with experts in oral medicine, hematology, and pathology.

Day Two May 23rd 2025		
Session 4: Histopathology, Hematology, and Oral medicine		
Time	Activity	Speaker
09:30-09:50	Oral Cancer: Challenging Of Histopathologist	<u>Dr. Saman Abdulla</u> Assist. Prof. Hawler Medical University
09:50-10:10	Precancerous Lesion: Lichen Planus	Dr. <u>Shahren Ali</u> Assist. Prof. Hawler Medical University
10:10-10:30	Oral-Facial Malignancies in Northern Iraq: A Growing Health Challenge	Dr <u>Dena Nadhim Mohammad</u> , Prof. Sulaimani University
10:30-11:10	Panel Discussion	Diagnosis: challenges and advances
	Moderator: Dr. Shahren Ali , Assist. Prof. Hawler Medical University	
	Chairman Dr. Nawshirwan Sadiq , Assist. Prof. hemato-oncology, Hawler Medical University Members: Dr. Shanaz Muhamad Ghafur Prof. Oral Medicine, Komar University of science and technology Dr. Sabah Mizaal , Oral Medicine, MOH/KRG Erbil Dr. Hardi Jawad Hemato-oncology, Director Of Nanakali Hospital MOH/KRG Erbil Dr. Saman Abdulla , Assist. Prof. Histopathology, Hawler Medical University Dr Dena Nadhim Mohammad Prof. Oral pathology, Sulaimani University	

Session 5: Medical Oncology – May 23, 2025

Key speakers:

- Role of radiation therapy in management of oral cavity cancer by **Dr. Lana Hoshyar Babahaji**.
- Overview of treatment of oral cavity cancers by **Dr. Sarkawt Khoshnaw**.

Panel discussion on follow-up, survival rate, and quality of life.

Moderator: Dr. Ahmed Sami, Director Of Awat Hospital MOH/KRG Erbil.

Chaired by Dr. Luqman Rehman Sulaiman with a panel including Dr. Yad Nwri Naqshabandy, Dr. Salwa Ahmed Amin, Dr. Lana Hoshyar Babahaji, and Dr. Sarkawt Khoshnaw.

Session 5: Medical Oncology		
Time	Activity	Speaker
11:20-11:40	Role Of Radiation Therapy In Management Of Oral Cavity Cancer	Dr. Lana Hoshyar Babahaji , Consultant Radiation Oncologist
11:40-12:00	Treatment Of Oral Cavity Cancers (An Overview)	Dr. Sarkawt Khoshnaw , Assist. Prof. Medical Oncology, University Of Kurdistan/Hawler
12:00-12:40	Panel Discussion	Follow up, survival rate and quality of life
	Moderator: Dr. Ahmed Sami Director Of Awat Hospital MOH/KRG Erbil	
	Chairman: Dr. Luqman Rehman Sulaiman , Assist. Prof. Oncology, Hawler Medical University Members: Dr. Yad Nwri Naqshabandy Director Of Hiwa Hospital MOH/KRG Sulaimanuah Dr. Salwa Ahmed Amin Consultant radiologist, Hawler Medical University Dr. Lana Hoshyar Baba haji , Consultant Radiation Oncologist Dr. Sarkawt Khoshnaw , Assist. Prof. Medical Oncology, University Of Kurdistan/Hawler	

Session 6: Organization Issues – May 23, 2025

Open discussion on early detection and governmental plans for cancer control.

Moderated by Dr. Cheeman Yasin, Public Health Officer, WHO Liaison Office, MOH/KRG.

Key participants:

- **Dr. Chinar Ali Mustafa**
- **Dr. Shler Abdulrahman Mustafa**
- **Dr. Muhamad A. Hassan**
- **Dr. Sura Yasin Abd**
- **Dr. Muhamad Amr Khalil**

from various cancer control units and registries

Session 7: Research – May 23, 2025

Inter-center research topics presented and discussed.

Moderated by Assist. Prof. Dr. Ali Alhseini, Baghdad University.

Key researchers:

- Dr. Manar Mothafar
- Dr. Bayad Jezza
- Dr. Jodal Muhamadamin
- Dr. Evan Namrud
- Dr. Nabeel Seryoka Martani
- Dr. Hunar Ahmed.

Session 8: Guideline Issues – May 23, 2025

National guideline formulation session.

Moderated by Dr. Khurshid Khrwatany, Assist. Prof. Maxillofacial Surgery, Hawler Medical University. Involving members of the Organization and Scientific Committees and panelists

Session 6: Organization Issues		
14:00-15:00	Open Discussion	Early detection and governmental plans
	Moderator: Dr. Cheeman Yasin Public Health Officer, WHO Liaison Office within MOH/KRG	Dr. Chinar Ali Mustafa Head of cancer control department MOH/KRG Dr. Shler Abdulrahman Mustafa Head Of Cancer Control Unit, MOH.KRG Duhok Dr. Muhamad A . Hassan Head Of Cancer Control Unit, MOH.KRG Sulaimanyah Dr. Sura Yasin Abd Cancer Registry MOH/Iraq Baghdad Dr. Muhamad Amr Khalil Cancer Registry MOH/Iraq Baghdad
Session 7: Research		
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	Moderator: Assist Prof. Dr. Ali Alhuseini , Baghdad University	Dr. Manar Mothafar Assist. Prof. Mosul University Dr. Bayad Jezza Assist Prof. Suliarni University Dr. Jodal Muhamadamin , Lecturer Hawler Medical University Dr. Evan Namrud , Lecturer Duhok University Dr. Nabeel Seryoka Martani , Assist. Prof. Head Of Research Department, College Of Dentistry Hawler Medical University Dr. Hunar Ahmed Head of research department MOH/KRG
Session 8: Guideline Issues		
15:30-17:30	National Guideline Formulation	
	Moderator: Dr. Khurshid Khrwatany , Assist. Prof. Maxillofacial surgery, Hawler Medical University	Members Of Organization And Scientific Committees And Panelists
17:30-18:00	Closing Ceremony	



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Abstract

Oral and maxillofacial cancer holds 14th place worldwide. It comprises 4% of total cancer in western and about 50% in south east Asian countries. Causative factors like tobacco, alcohol, human papilloma virus infection and Betel nut chewing varies between nations. Despite advances in technology and methods, OMFC still has a mortality of more than 50%. Even for those survive from this disaster, impairments of functions like respiration, feeding, speaking and esthetics makes the life of these people more and more difficult. However, there is a chance for normal life after cancer for those having tumors detected and treated properly before the tumor reaches the size of 2 cm. More and more talks and focuses on new methods of detection and immunization. The last one showed promising results for those cancers that linked to viral infection. The immunization already in large clinical trial phase in some countries. Among good tools for early detection are liquid biopsies and specific tumor biomarkers like P13, P16, P53, EPGF and others. As conclusion, OMFC is in increasing rate in many countries including Iraq. Current measures of control and management are not enough effective. We need a national survey and national guideline to fight properly with it in Iraq.

Role in conference scientific program

Opening Ceremony: Keynote Speech

Session 1: Moderator

Session 8: Moderator



Dr. Riadh Al-Kamali

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Short Biography

Dr. Riadh Al-Kamali graduated with (BDS) 1977 from the University of Baghdad / College of Dentistry.

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Member of the Council of oral and maxillofacial surgery / Kurdistan Board for Medical Specialties -2017

Assistant professor in oral and maxillofacial surgery / HMU till retirement.

Abstract

The sternocleidomastoid (SCM) muscle serve as a key landmark in neck dissections performed for oral cancer. The management of the SCM during neck dissection varies depending on the type of procedure, oncological considerations, and the extent of nodal disease. This lecture aims to review the anatomical relationships of the SCM, its role in different types of neck dissections—including radical, modified radical, and supra-omohyoid dissections—and the surgical rationale behind its preservation or resection. Emphasis will be placed on the functional and aesthetic consequences of SCM sacrifice, as well as techniques to optimize postoperative outcomes when muscle preservation is possible. Case examples, surgical illustrations, will be presented to support decision-making in the operative management of the SCM.



Dr. Suha Nafea Aloosi

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Short Biography

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Abstract

This case series highlights the advantages in the use of regional flaps, specially.

transverse cervical flap in maxillofacial primary defect reconstruction after ablative cancer surgery through presentation of three head and

neck cancer patients' surgery through presentation of three head and neck cancer patients in whom it was decided to do pedicled flaps when free flap is not feasible. Aim and objective: This presentation is done in an attempt for encouraging for more introducing of regional flaps in head and neck reconstruction practice, specially the combination of harvesting lateral cervical flap, and pectoralis major musculo- cutaneous flap in reconstructing substantial primary defect of Buccal mucosa advanced cancer

Cases Report: three patients , presented with malignant growth involves a large area of the cheek in width and depth originated in the buccal mucosa , treated successfully by surgery. The excision needed leaves full thickness primary defect necessitate reconstruction of the muscle of the cheek and two epithelial surfaces of mucosa and skin by using pectoralis major flap and lateral cervical flap .The aim of the presentation is trying to streamlining the work flow by using this combination , three cases will be presented as an example



Dr. Medyan Al-Rousan

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Short Biography

He has completed his BDS from University of Jordan in 1992, then joined a residency program in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at the Royal Medical Services in Jordan, then he completed his postgraduate training in UK as he obtained MSc degree in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery from UCL (London) in 2001 also he obtained his Diplomas of Fellowship from both the Royal College of Surgeons in London and Dublin, now he is working as an Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon at King Hussein Cancer Center in Amman, Jordan.

Abstract

Background: Oral squamous cell carcinoma (OSCC) is ranked as the sixth most common cancer in the world. Neck metastasis is a critical aspect in oral cancer diagnosis and management, as it plays a significant role in staging, prognosis, and treatment planning. Thus, this study aimed to study the pattern and the clinicopathological profile of metastatic neck involvement in oral squamous cell carcinoma in Jordan.

Methods: A retrospective study carried out at King Hussein Cancer Center covering the period from 2018 to 2024 for the patients with oral squamous cell carcinoma, the data were analyzed using the Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS)

Results: 84 cases were enrolled in our study. The tongue was the most commonly involved area, accounting for 37 cases (44%). Fifty three patients (63.1%), were stage T3 or T4. Forty out of the eighty four patients (47%) were pathologically positive of neck lymph nodes (p N+). Thirty three out of forty (p N+) (82.5%) were stage T3 and 4 indicating a substantial correlation between advanced T staging and neck metastases ($p = 0.007$). The distribution of neck levels involvement was as follows: level 1B (29 cases, 76.3%), level 1A (8 cases, 20%), level 3 (13 cases, 32.5%), level 4 (2 cases, 5%), level 5 (1 case, 2.5%) and level 2A (27 cases, 72.5%).

Conclusion: Neck management remains an essential part when managing oral cancer and our findings demonstrate the necessity of performing an elective neck dissection in almost all cases.

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(F.A.C.S.): from 2008 – to date.

Fellow of the international College of Surgeons
(F.I.C.S)2007- to date

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Short Biography

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 He is professor and head of department of maxillofacial surgery in College of Dentistry/ University of Baghdad.
 Professor as part time in College of Dentistry/ AlTurath University.
 He has 25 articles in local and Global Journals.
 Postgraduate students Supervisor: Post (8 Master, 2 PhD), Currently (3 Master).
 Conferences: 25 Conference (National and International-Lecturer and attendance).
 Workshop: 24 (Lecturer and attendance).



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Short Biography

Bachelor Degree 1989 College of Dentistry, Mosul University.
 M.Sc.D. 1995. College of Dentistry. Baghdad University.
 Ph.D. 2007, College of Dentistry, Baghdad University
 Post Doctoral Research 2008, College of Medicine, Firat University, Elazig, Turkey
 Assistant Professor since 2011,
 Head of Oral and Maxillo-Facial Department since 2023.

**Dr. Sabah Abdulaziz**

Consultant Oral And Maxillofacial Surgery

Short Biography

B.D.S. degree of college of dentistry –Baghdad. 1987

H.D.D. (high diploma of oral surgery), 1992-1993

Fellow of Iraqi Board of Medical Specialties (oral & maxillofacial surgery), 1998

From 1998-2009 he worked as specialist in maxillofacial department in AL shaheed ghazi Al Hariri hospital-Baghdad medical city and as trainer for Iraqi board student

During his practice, he was so interested in surgeries for cancer patients

In 2010 he became head of maxillofacial department in Ghazi Al Hariri Hospital

n 2013 became consultant of oral and maxillofacial surgery.

In 2010-2025 Trainor and supervisor for Iraqi board and Arab board student

He has many publication in both national and international journals.

He had presentation in different in regional and international conferences.

From 2014-2023 he was member of Arab board council of maxillofacial surgery.

From 2014-2018 he was Vice president of Iraqi society of maxillofacial surgery.

From 2010-2024 he was head of maxillofacial center for Iraqi board students in medical city.

In 2018 he became member of AOCMF.

Now he is retired oral and maxillofacial consultant and works in private clinic and private hospital.

Abstract

Background: Oral cancer represents 3-5% of all body cancer, while squamous cell carcinoma (SCC) represents 90% of oral cancer. Its disease of elderly people affects mainly age between 60-70years. Diagnosis depend on their clinical examination, investigations proved by incisional biopsy to arrange their TNM system. The treatment was resection of primary site with different types of neck dissection.

Patients and methods: This study includes 200 patients with oral cancer (96 females and 104 males). Age range between 20- 90 years, were treated with primary site resection and different types of neck dissection. All patients treated in maxillofacial department in Ghazi AL Hariri hospital-medical city, Baghdad, Iraq. Surgery done by consultant maxillofacial surgeon Dr. Sabah Abdulaziz Issa. The primary sites mainly affect

tongue, mandibular alveolus, maxillary alveolus, cheek, floor of mouth, lower lip, parotid gland, submandibular gland, oral commissure and upper lip in sequence. While neck treatment with selective neck dissection, classical neck dissection and functional neck dissection in sequence. Results: the main age group affected was between 61-70 years (55patients) followed by age group between 51-60 years (40 patients). Regarding primary site tumor size, 77 patients with T4, 70 patients with T3, 52 patients with T2 and only 5 patient with T1. Regarding sites, tongue was 30% and the least site was upper lip was 1%. About types of oral cancer SCC (155 patients)

followed by mucoepidermoid carcinoma (19 patients) and the least type was duct cell carcinoma (1 patient). Regarding lymph nodes metastasis of the neck 80 patients with N1; 54 patients with N2; 53 patients with N0; and 13 patients with N3. About the surgical treatment of neck 70% treated with selective n. dissection, 24% treated with classical n. dissection & only 6% treated with functional neck dissection. Regarding the sides of neck dissection, were 106 left side and 107 right side with 187 patients with unilateral and 13 patients with bilateral neck dissection.



Dr. Saeed Hamid Tutmaii

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Short Biography

Bachelor degree in dentistry (BDS) Salahaddin University college of Dentistry (2004-2005)

MSc. oral- maxillofacial surgery Hawler Medical University (2010_2011)

Fellow of Kurdistan Higher council for Medical Specialties FKHCMS(MaxFac) 2019-2020

Assistant Professor at Hawler medical university – college of dentistry (maxillofacial surgery department)

Maxillofacial senior surgeon at rizgary teaching Hospital

National and international speaker in dental implantology

Abstract

Oral cancer remains a significant global health concern, with modifiable lifestyle and dietary factors playing a crucial role in its pathogenesis. Emerging evidence has linked the high consumption of ultra-processed foods (UPFs) and sugar-sweetened beverages, particularly soft drinks, to increased cancer risk, including cancers of the oral cavity. UPFs are industrially manufactured products containing high levels of added sugars, unhealthy fats, artificial additives, and preservatives, while being low in essential nutrients and dietary fiber. Soft drinks, a major component of

this dietary pattern, are highly acidic and rich in refined sugars, which contribute to oral tissue inflammation and dental erosion.

Several mechanisms may underlie the association between UPFs, soft drinks, and oral carcinogenesis. First, chronic inflammation and oxidative stress caused by high sugar intake and poor nutrient quality can promote cellular DNA damage and impair repair mechanisms. Additionally, exposure to carcinogenic compounds such as nitrosamines, acrylamides, and phosphoric acid—commonly found in processed meats and carbonated beverages—further increases mutagenic potential. The acidic nature of soft drinks also erodes enamel and irritates oral mucosa, potentially facilitating carcinogenic transformation, especially in individuals with other risk factors such as smoking or alcohol use.

Moreover, diets high in UPFs are often associated with obesity and metabolic dysfunction, which are known to create a pro-inflammatory systemic environment conducive to cancer development. Reducing the intake of ultra-processed foods and sugary beverages, while promoting whole, nutrient-rich foods, may be a valuable strategy in oral cancer prevention and public health policy.



Dr. Idrees Jarjees Ahmed

Lecturer, Hawler Medical University

Short Biography

He has MBCHB, University of Salahaddin (1991–1996).

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From 2010–2013: Specialist Radiologist, Eastern Emergency Hospital, Hawler.

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Since 2011: Faculty member at the College of Medicine, Hawler Medical University.

Teaching and training undergraduate and post-graduate medical students.

Simultaneously serving as a specialist radiologist at Hawler Teaching Hospital.

He spent over two decades of service in clinical radiology and medical education, with expertise spanning conventional and advanced imaging techniques.

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B.D.S. 2008.

Board certified Maxillofacial Surgeon. 2016

Head of Oral and maxillofacial Surgery department at College of dentistry/ University of Sulaymaniyah.

Member of Scientific committee at college of dentistry/ University of Sulaymaniyah.

Member of Scientific committee at Kurdistan board of medical specialties.

Associate editor at Sulaimani Dental Journal.

Maxillofacial consultant surgeon at Sulaymaniyah Shar Hospital two days a week.

On call Senior Maxillofacial Surgeon at Shar Emergency Hospital 5 times per month.

Supervisor of (Alphadent dental implant/ Germany) at Mandali company/Iraq.

Training abroad: Three-month training at King Hussein Hospital/ Amman/ Jordan in four specialties branches (Maxillofacial Surgery, ENT branch, Neurosurgery and Plastic and reconstructive Surgery).

Training in Iran (in many aspects including Rhinoplasty, facial fat graft, laser, Botox and Fillers, Hifu,... etc).

Head of Oral and maxillofacial Surgery department at College of dentistry/ University of Sulaymaniyah.



Dr. Ali Alzubaidi

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BDS (Baghdad 1977), FFDRCS,(Ireland, 1987)
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Fellow of Royal college of Ireland, England and Glasgow
Program director of special care dentistry, Kurdistan higher council of medical specialties
Experienced in head and neck oncology
Previously
Member of head and neck and craniofacial oncology committee and surgical team in Mosul, Nienawah
Member of Iraqi head and neck cancer committee/ Iraqi ministry of health
Member of of head and neck and craniofacial surgical team in Alkadthemeya and the specialized hospitals
Member of orbital surgical team, medical city, Baghdad
Member of the ENT and head and neck surgery science center in the Iraqi ministry of health
Head of consulting office of the medical research center, college of medicine, AlNahrain university



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BDS (Baghdad 1977), FFDRCS,(Ireland, 1987)
FDSRCS (England 1988), FDSRCPS (Glasgow 2012)
Fellow of Royal college of Ireland, England and Glasgow
Program director of special care dentistry, Kurdistan higher council of medical specialties
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Member of head and neck and craniofacial oncology committee and surgical team in Mosul, Nienawah
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Member of the ENT and head and neck surgery science center in the Iraqi ministry of health
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She has MBChB and PhD,
She is a consultant and assistant professor of radiology,
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She has actively contributed to numerous national and international scientific events and has published several articles in the field of radiology.
She is also a member of the organizing committee for this conference



Dr. Abduljalil Azad

Assist. Prof. of oral surgery, Hawler Medical University

Short Biography

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Dr. Luqman Rehamn Sulaiman

Assist. Prof. Oncology, Hawler Medical University,
College Of Medicine

Short Biography

He has MD, MSc and PhD. He works in Dep. Of Medicine/ College of Medicine/ HMU
Dr. Luqman has graduated from the medical college in 1999 and ranked number one among his fellow top ten graduates. After completing his internship he has successfully completed master degree with distinction in clinical oncology in Nottingham University in the United Kingdom in 2006, followed by two years of specialized training in Medical oncology in City hospital in UK. Following that Dr. Luqman has established a medical oncology unit specialized in treating adult solid tumors in Nanakaly Hospital in Erbil city and was appointed as the head of the unit till January 2009 when he pursued his MD PhD program in the field of Cancer in Cancer Centrum in Karolinska Institute in Stockholm/ Sweden and successfully finished his doctoral degree in Jan. 2013. During which time he was appointed as the representative of all PhD students for oncology tumor board. Dr. Luqman has many original research articles all published in highly recognizable international journals in the field of cancer. Currently working in Nanakaly hospital for blood diseases and oncology as a consultant Oncologist and as assistant professor in College of Medicine, Hawler Medical University

Abstract

Head and neck cancers represent a diverse group of malignancies with distinct anatomical, etiological, and molecular profiles. This presentation provides an updated overview of current treatment strategies, with emphasis on oral and maxillofacial tumors. We explore the evolving role of surgery, radiotherapy, and systemic therapies—including immunotherapy and targeted agents—guided by HPV and EBV status, molecular markers, and tumor subsite. Special attention is given to the integration of organ-preserving approaches, risk-adapted adjuvant therapy, and advances in treatment de-intensification for HPV-positive oropharyngeal cancers. Recent clinical trials, guideline updates, and challenges in managing locally advanced and recurrent disease will also be discussed. This session aims to provide oral and maxillofacial specialists with a multidisciplinary perspective on optimizing outcomes in head and neck cancer care.



Dr. Ahmed Sami

Radiation oncologist, Director of Awat Hospital

Short Biography

He has MB ChB Hawler medical university in 2008,

He gained Fellow of Kurdistan Board of Medical Specialties (F.K.B.M.S- Radiation Oncology) in 2021.

He is specialist and director of Awat Radiotherapy Center/Hawler.

He is director of training center of Kurdistan Board of medical specialties in radiation oncology program.

He is a member of the European Society for Radiotherapy and Oncology (ESTRO).

Abstract

Oral cavity cancer, predominantly squamous cell carcinoma, represents a major global health concern, particularly in regions with high tobacco, alcohol, and betel nut use. Radiotherapy plays a pivotal role across multiple stages of management — from definitive to adjuvant and palliative settings.

Radiotherapy serves as a curative option for patients with inoperable tumours, or those unfit for surgery, and is often combined with chemotherapy to enhance tumour control. In the adjuvant setting, postoperative radiotherapy (PORT) significantly reduces the risk of local and regional recurrence, especially in cases with high-risk features.

Advanced radiotherapy techniques such as intensity-modulated radiotherapy (IMRT) and volumetric modulated arc therapy (VMAT) allow for highly conformal dose delivery while sparing adjacent critical structures. These techniques contribute to better local control and reduced treatment-related toxicity.



Dr. Najmuldeen Mohammed Rafeeq

Director Division Of Oncology Centers, MOH/Iraq

Short Biography

Graduated from al Mustansiriyah university
2012

Graduated from the Iraqi board of medical oncology 2023

Director of the division of oncology centers-
cancer board in Iraq - ministry of health

Member of Iraqi society of clinical oncology
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Member of America society of medical oncology
(ASCO)

Member of European society of medical oncology (ESMO)



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Short Biography

MSc Oncology Paris Descartes

MRCP (Glasgow) AFS medical oncology Paris

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clinical oncology Paris VI

President of Kurdistan doctors syndicate (Union)

Head of Rizgary Oncology Center

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Director of Zhyanawa Hospital

Short Biography

Board certified radiation oncologist, Kurdistan board for medical specialties (KBMS)
Graduated from college of Medicine/ University of Sulaymaniyah & obtained his board certificate in 2018 in radiation oncology
Trainer at Kurdistan board for medical specialties, for radiation oncology.
Manager of Zhianawa Cancer Center, which dedicated its work for radiation therapy.

**Dr. Razvan Abduljabbar**

Consultant medical oncologist, MOH/KRG

MBChB MSc PhD

Short Biography

Consultant Medical Oncologist at Azadi Haematology Oncology Centre in Duhok
Lecturer At College of Pharmacy University of Duhok



Dr. Saman Abdulla

Assist. Prof. Hawler Medical University

Short Biography

He was graduated from the university of Mousel 1992. He was trained in Ireland and UK and currently is a fellow of the Royal College of Pathologist as well as the Faculty of Pathology in Ireland.

Consultant pathologist and senior examiner of the Royal College of Pathologists (UK)

He taught pathology in the Royal College of Surgeons of Ireland as well as Hawler medical university.

His focus is the practice of histopathology, teaching as well as research.

He published his work in a number of national and international journals.

Abstract

Histopathological assessment of oral biopsies are not always straightforward. There are several challenges, some of them are related to the biopsies taken by the clinician and the specific location of the biopsy within the lesion. Another important point is oral squamous cell carcinoma commonly occur in a background or field dysplasia which means that the lesion could be multifocal.

Furthermore, squamous cell carcinoma can mimic a number of benign lesion which can be easily misdiagnosed as cancer while they are benign inflammatory conditions.

On many other occasions, the diagnosis of the cancer itself can be straightforward however assessment of other decisive parameters like the depth of invasion perineural or vascular invasion are not always clear.

Currently, in many other areas of pathology, there are specific immunostaining marker which can be helpful in the diagnosis, however, the value of these markers in oral cancer is still doubtful and are unhelpful in many cases.

Finally, there are a number of challenges which are related to local practice within the Kurdistan region and overall Iraq, as not uncommonly many surgeons divide the biopsy and send them to different labs to get a report from two different sources.

**Dr. Shahan Ali**

Assist. Prof. Hawler Medical University

Short Biography

BDS, MSc Oral Medicine, KHCMS Fellowship in Oral and Maxillofacial Medicine
Hawler Medical University College of Dentistry
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Abstract

Lichen planus (LP) is a common chronic mucocutaneous condition. Lesions of LP are typically bilateral and affect the buccal mucosae, mainly. Diagnosis is clinically supported by biopsy. Management usually includes topical corticosteroids. There is a low but significant malignant potential. Lichen planus is accepted as a potentially malignant disorder, but the risk must be extremely low. A number of patients develop carcinoma in a background of keratosis and atrophy that either is lichen planus or is indistinguishable from it, but the overall transformation rate in lichen planus seems unlikely to exceed 0.05% in 10 years. Review of cases of carcinoma developing in lichen planus often reveals the presence of mild dysplasia or unusual clinical features from the outset, either of which should have favored a diagnosis of leukoplakia or erythroplakia rather than lichen. Long-term review is therefore essential 4 time per year, re-biopsy performed (a nodular, verrucous, speckled, or 'velvety-red' or symptoms), plus a photographic record. It has been suggested that the erosive/atrophic lesions of oral lichen planus that are more likely to transform to malignancy.

**Dr. Dena Nadhim Mohammad**

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Short Biography

BDS, College of Dentistry, University of Baghdad, Iraq, 2001 .

M.Sc. Oral Path, College of Dentistry, University of Sulaimani, 2006.

Ph.D Oral Path, College of Dentistry University of Sulaimani, 2013.

Professor and Head of Oral Diagnosis Department. College of Dentistry-University of Sulaimani.

She has more than 20 publications in national and international journals .

Abstract

Background: Identifying the prevalence of orofacial malignancies is essential to provide healthcare programs and services for a specific population. This study aimed to specify the prevalence, clinical, and histopathological features of oral malignancies in Sulaimani for over 12 years.

Methods: All archived reports for orofacial specimens from 2008 to 2019 were collected from three major centers in Sulaimani governorate. The demographic data, date, type of surgery, lesion's site, and diagnosis were recorded. The ICD10 coding was specified for each case. A Chisquare test was used to assess differences

between genders. A oneway ANOVA test was applied to analyze the differences in mean age distributions among different sites of oral malignancies and oral squamous cell carcinoma histopathological grades. $P \leq 0.05$ was considered significant.

Results: Orofacial malignant lesions account for 14.53% of the total sample. Patients' mean age was (55.46 ± 18.48) years, and they were predominantly males (M: F ratio = 1.15:1). The tongue was the frequently affected site (14.8%). A Chisquare test showed no significant difference between genders concerning age ($P = 0.118$), years of registration ($P = 0.28$), and site ($P = 0.29$). The C06 (represents cheek mucosa C06.0, the vestibule of mouth C06.1, retromolar area C06.2, and other unspecified parts of mouth C06.8) was the most frequent topographical ICD code (18.1%). Carcinoma was a frequent malignancy (63.2%). OSCC was the most common lesion (56.4%). It commonly affects males, and the tongue was the frequent site (24.1%) followed by lip (17.8%).

Conclusions: There is a slight increase in the registered oral malignancies in Sulaimani city over 12 years; they were predominated in males, in 61–70 years old patients, and were oral squamous cell carcinoma types.



Dr. Nawshirwan Sadiq

Assist. Prof. Hawler Medical University

Short Biography

He has MBChB and Fellow of Iraqi Board of Medical Specialties (FIBMS- hematopathology)

He is consultant hematopathologist in Nanakaly Hospital for Blood Diseases

He is assistant professor of hematopathology and head of pathology department.

in Hawler Medical University, college of medicine

He is program Director of Postgraduate Hematopathology Program. (KHCMS).



Dr. Shanaz Muhamad Ghafur

Prof. Oral Medicine, Sulaimani University

Short Biography

Graduated from the College of Dentistry, University of Baghdad in 1990.

Obtained an M.Sc. degree in Oral Medicine in 1995 and a Ph.D. in Oral Medicine from the College of Dentistry, University of Baghdad in 2005.

Member of both the Iraqi Dental Association and the Kurdistan Dental Association.

Served as an Assistant Professor and later as a Professor in the Oral Medicine Department, College of Dentistry, University of Baghdad, and subsequently at the College of Dentistry, University of Sulaimani.

Program Director of the Kurdistan Board of Oral Medicine (2012–2023).

Chairperson of the Dentistry Department at Komar University of Science and Technology (2018–2025).

Actively participated in numerous national and international conferences. Published over 30 research articles in high-impact scientific journals.

Supervised numerous M.Sc., Ph.D., and board students.



Dr. Sabah Noori Mizaal

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Short Biography

She has Fellow of Kurdistan board of medical specialties (FKBMS- Oral and Maxillofacial Medicine).

She is head and Founder of Oral medicine Department At NANA KALI HOSPITAL of Hematology and Oncology.

She is lecturer and Scientific Dean Associate at College of Dentistry _AL Kitab University.



Dr. Hardi Jawad Sabir

hemato=oncologist, Director Of Nanakali Hospital MOH/KRG Erbil

Short Biography

MBChB from Hawler Medical University in 2005

PhD in clinical hematology from University of Southern Denmark in 2014

He passed many levels of residency in hospitals of Denmark

Now he is the director of Nanakali hospital

**Dr. Lana Hoshyar Baba Haji**

Consultant oncologist, Zhyanawa hospital

Short Biography

M.B.C.H.B College of Medicine, University of Sulaymaniyah, 2000-2006

German board certificate (Fachartz) in radiation oncology 2017

Consultant Radiation Oncologist in Caritasklinikum Saarbruecken-Germany 2018-2021

Abstract

The presentation will focus on the role of radiation therapy in the multidisciplinary management of maxillofacial, and head and neck cancers in general. It provides an in-depth exploration of radiobiological principles, treatment planning strategies, and the latest advancements in radiation techniques—including IMRT and image-guided radiotherapy—that have significantly improved local control and functional outcomes in complex anatomical regions.

Special attention is given to tumor-specific considerations, organ preservation approaches, and the critical importance of precise dose delivery to minimize toxicities while maximizing therapeutic efficacy. The presentation also highlights collaborative protocols between surgeons and oncologists, emphasizing the need for early integration of radiation therapy in treatment planning, post-operative settings, and for recurrent disease. Through clinical insights and case-based discussions, the session aims to enhance understanding and foster coordinated care among specialists managing head and neck malignancies.

**Dr. Sarkawt Khoshnaw**

Assist. Prof. University Of Kurdistan/Hawler

Short Biography

He is the Coordinator of Internal Medicine division and an Assistant Professor of Medical Oncology at the University of Kurdistan Hewlêr (UKH) School of Medicine (SoM).

He is also the head of the Oncology Department at PAR Hospital.

He holds an MSc in Oncology (with Distinction) and a PhD in Oncology from the University of Nottingham (UK).

He is a Member MRCP(UK), Fellow (FRCP), and holds the Specialty Certificate Examination (SCE) in Medical Oncology from the Royal College of Physicians (RCP).

He previously served as a Consultant Medical Oncologist in the UK National Health Service (NHS), bringing clinical expertise to his academic and leadership roles.

Abstract

Oral cavity cancers represent a significant global health burden, ranking as the 16th most common malignancy worldwide. Squamous cell carcinoma (SCC) accounts for the majority of cases. This presentation provides a comprehensive overview of the management of oral cavity cancer, covering early-stage (I–II), locoregionally advanced (III–IVB), and metastatic (IVC) disease.

Key topics include the rationale for primary surgery in early-stage tumors, indications for adjuvant radiotherapy, and the evolving role of sentinel lymph node biopsy. In locally advanced disease, the presentation emphasizes multimodality treatment guided by multidisciplinary teams, with particular focus on resectability, sequential chemoradiotherapy (TPF induction followed by concurrent chemoradiation), and functional preservation strategies. For Stage IVC disease, palliative approaches will be discussed, including systemic therapy (immunotherapy, chemotherapy, and targeted agents), symptom-directed radiotherapy, and supportive care to optimize quality of life.



Dr. Salwa Ahmed Amin

Consultant radiologist, Hawler Medical University

Short Biography

M.B.Ch.B /mosul university /iraq- 1979-1985.
High Diploma in radiology /MOsul UNiversity - 1991-1993.
Ph.D. in radiology /hawler medical university - 2003-2007
Assistant professor in radiology/Hawler medical university March 2016
Specialist in radiology,MOH,KRG-iraq-1993

Consultant radiologist 2017.

Membership:

Kurdistan radiologist association 2019

Iraqi syndicate of doctors since 1985.

Kurdistan syndicate of doctors since 2003

Kurdistan-iraq socity of obst/gyn

Head of radiology department at maternity hospital 1993



Dr. Cheeman Yasin

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Short Biography

She has MBChB, MCM. She is a Public Health Specialist leading the WHO Liaison Office within the Ministry of Health–Kurdistan Regional Government. She has extensive experience in health system strengthening, outbreak response, and public health information systems. She previously served as Director of Public Health and Food Safety at MOH KRI and contributed to national COVID-19 coordination and humanitarian response. Dr. Akrayi has worked with international organizations in key strategic public health efforts”.



Dr. Chinar Ali Mustafa

Head of cancer control department MOH/KRG

Short Biography

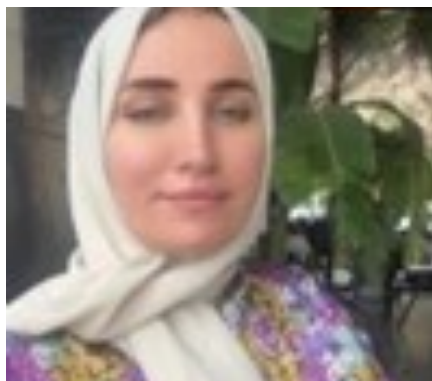
General surgeon - Rizgary teaching hospital/breast clinic.

Fellow of American College of Surgeon FACS since 2020.

Member of European society of surgical oncology ESSO.

Head of cancer control department MOH-KRG-Iraq .

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Arab board of Family medicine specialist 2017
Sub specialist of cancer screening/ Arab board 2020
Director division of prevention and early detection of cancer/cancer board/MOH /2021
Cancer board representer in cancer control strategy planning/MOH /2022

Director division of cancer registration/cancer board/MOH/ 2023



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Cancer Registry MOH/Iraq Baghdad

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General dentist

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Short Biography

He has BDS, College of Dentistry/ University of Baghdad. 1986

He has PhD in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery: College of Dentistry/ University of Baghdad. 2021.

He is professor and head of department of maxillofacial surgery in College of Dentistry/ University of Baghdad.

Professor as part time in College of Dentistry/ AlTurath University.

He has 25 articles in local and Global Journals.

Postgraduate students Supervisor: Post (8 Master, 2 PhD), Currently (3 Master).

Conferences: 25 Conference (National and International-Lecturer and attendance).

Workshop: 24 (Lecturer and attendance).



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Bachelor Degree 1989 College of Dentistry, Mosul University.

M.Sc.D. 1995. College of Dentistry. Baghdad University.

Ph.D. 2007, College of Dentistry, Baghdad University

Post Doctoral Research 2008, College of Medicine, Firat University, Elazig, Turkey

Assistant Professor since 2011,

Head of Oral and Maxillo-Facial Department since 2023.

Short Biography

B.D.S., M.Sc., Ph.D. Oral and Implant Surgery

Head of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Department, College of Dentistry, Hawler Medical University



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Short Biography

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 B.D.S., Salahaddin University, Erbil (1996–2001)
 MSc. in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Hawler Medical University (2008–2011)
 Ph.D. in Oral Surgery, Hawler Medical University, Erbil (2016–2021)
 He is lecturer & head of department – oral and maxillofacial surgery
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 Academic & Clinical Positions
 Lecturer & Head, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, University of Duhok (2012–present)
 Oral Surgeon, Specialized Dental Polyclinic & Emergency Hospital, Duhok

Trainer & training centre manager of KHCMS. In Azady Hospital / Duhok
 Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon with over 20 years of clinical and academic experience, specializing in dental surgery, implantology, and surgical education. Active in national and international conferences and a recognized trainer in oral surgery techniques.



Assist. Prof. Dr. Nabeel Seryoka Martani

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Short Biography

BSc in Medicine (M.B.Ch.B) from Hawler Medical University-Iraq (2009)
 Head of MSc in Integrative Neuroscience from the University of Edinburgh-UK (2013)
 PhD in Cognitive Neuroscience from the University of Cambridge-UK (2018)
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