Fibrous dysplasia of the jaws: a review of literature.

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Abstract:

This communication reviews the literature on fibrous dysplasia of the jaws particularly the available published reports on this condition from Africa. It reveals that few cases appear to have been reported from Africa, reflecting the lack of research work and case reports. The majority of these cases are generally reported in advanced stages indicating the late presentation for treatment and delayed diagnosis. Information regarding follow-up records appears scanty and this probably may have contributed to the difficulty in determining the prognosis and any recurrent rate. Much effort still needs to be directed at research on oral lesions to determine their true occurrence and distribution in the African continent.