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II. Non-odontogenic tumours

(derived from tissues not involved in tooth-formation). 1- Benign (non-odontogenic tumours): Relatively common.

1. Exostosis (an overgrowth of the bony surface rather than being a true tumour).

- 2. Enostosis.
- 3. Osteoma. :

(a) Fibro-osteoma.

- (b) Ossifying fibroma.
- 4. Giant cell mass:

(a) Centrally located "so-called giant cell tumour".

- Is a giant cell reparative granuloma (usually).
- As it enlarges, the surrounding jaw-bone thins out.

(b) Peripherally-located "giant cell Epulis" in gums.

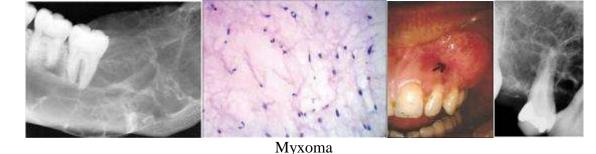
- Is a giant cell reparative granuloma.
- Is due to an injury rather than a true tumour.
- 5. Chondroma (central or peripheral).
- 6. Myxoma (central).
- 7. Fibroma (central).
- 8. Angioma.

9. Neurogenic tumours:

- Neurinoma;
- Ganglioneuroma;
- Neurofibroma.

2- Malignant (non-odontogenic tumours): Uncommon.

- 1. Osteogenic sarcoma.
- 2. Ewing's tumour.
- 3. Multiple myeloma.
- 4. Other sarcomata:
 - Fibrosarcoma;
 - Neurosarcoma;
 - Reticulum cell sarcoma.



III. Metastases : Uncommon. The primary tumour may be :

- 1. Malignant melanoma.
- 2. Carcinoma of: Prostate, breast, lung, stomach, intestine, cervix uteri, vagina, kidney, or thyroid gland.
- 1. Lymphosarcoma, chondrosarcoma, neuroblastoma or Ewing's tumour.

It is observable that:

- 1. The true giant cell tumour, which is invasive (and rather more aggressive than the granulomatous lesion), rarely occurs as a central lesion of the jaw.
- 2. Malignant tumours of the oral cavity often invade the jaws (D.D. secondaries).
- 3. The existence of an epidermoid carcinoma, as a primary central lesion of jaws, is still doubtful.

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Gross manifestations of systemic diseases in the jaws

- *Hypo pituitarism* \rightarrow arrested growth. .
- *Hyper pituitarism* → *increased size of maxilla and mandible which show disproportionate* enlargement leading to **anterior protrusion of mandible and spacing** *between teeth.*
- *Hypothyroidism* → *disturbed growth; or a relatively-small jaw; retarded tooth-eruption; impaired root-formation.*
- *Hyperthyroidism* \rightarrow alveolar bone-rarefaction (in infants).
- *Hyperparathyroidism* \rightarrow *osteitis fibrosa cystica.*
- **Paget's disease** \rightarrow enlarged jaw and separation between teeth.
- Lipoid storage diseases → loosening of teeth.
- **Leontiasis ossea** \rightarrow facial deformity due enlargement of jaws.
- **Dyschondroplasia** \rightarrow multiple fibro-osseous masses in jaws.

