Congenital Epidermoid Cyst in the Lingual Apex; Report of a Case

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Abstract:

Dermoid and epidermoid cysts are formed if epithelium of the ectodermal tissue has been trapped or has remained in the fused part of each projection during the embryonic period. Epidermoid cysts may be secondarily formed accompanying the aberration of degenerated epithelium arising from trauma, surgical intervention or inflammation. We experienced a case of congenital epidermoid cyst in the center of lingual apex. The epidermoid cyst located in the fissure of the right and left mandibular branchial arch. A summary of this rare case is presented in this paper.

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