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Panendoscopy

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Indications

1. Standard of care in staging of HNSCC - Head and Neck Squamous Cell Carcinoma
 - Not routinely performed for nose / paranasal, parotid, thyroid and nasopharyngeal cancer
2. Cancer Treatment: e.g. transoral laser resection
3. Follow-up after cancer treatment
4. Trauma
5. Foreign body - Caustic - Bolus Ingestion
6. Diagnostic purposes: blood ab ore (hematoptysie, hematemesis), malformations / congenital disease of upper airways / upper digestive tract, carcinophobia

Why?

- ❖ **Diagnosis:** Get tissue biopsy to confirm cancer diagnosis und allow for establishment of risk factors
- ❖ **Tumor mapping:** Establish a precise picture of disease extent: resection possible? How to resect? Draw a figure/scheme of tumor extension including relevant anatomic/surgical landmarks!!!
- ❖ **Staging:** rule out 2nd primary: 8-12% if history of tobacco use
- ❖ **Training:** be prepared in case of emergency (e.g. emergency rigid tracheoscopy and intubation)
- ❖ **Test for robotic surgery:** exposition of tumor after installing the retractor? Feasibility?

Second primary

- ❖ 358 patients
- ❖ 2nd primary 16,2%
- ❖ 6,4% synchronous and 9,8% metachronous
- ❖ Clinically silent 2nd primary in 3,1%

¹ Stoeckli et al. 2001 Otolaryngol Head Neck Surg 2001; 124:208-12

Why not?

- ❖ Better Imaging:
 - ❖ More and more PET scan available
 - ❖ High resolution MRI and CT scan
- ❖ FNA can diagnose cancer by lymph node spread
- ❖ High quality flexible endoscopes
- ❖ CAVE: Hypopharynx hard to visualise by any other way than rigid endoscopy!!!!

What to check?

- ❖ Check the upper gastrointestinal tract:
 - ❖ Bronchoscopy
 - ❖ Esophagoscopy
 - ❖ Pharyngoscopy
 - ❖ Laryngoscopy
 - ❖ Inspection and palpation of oral cavity
 - ❖ +/- rhinoscopy, nasopharyngoscopy in selected cases (cancer of unknown primary)

Often combined with...

- ❖ Tooth extraction
- ❖ Gastrostomy tube insertion
- ❖ Tonsillectomy / base of tongue resection
- ❖ Tumordebulking of larynx

Consent form...

- ❖ Inform patient about the procedure and special risks being:
 - ❖ bleeding / hematoma and infection
 - ❖ lesions in general possible to inspected regions
 - ❖ tooth lesion or loss
 - ❖ swelling within the larynx (airway problem)
 - ❖ voice changes
 - ❖ esophageal scarring / perforation / mediastinitis
 - ❖ neck injury with head extension

Ventilation in full anaesthesia by ...

- ❖ None - Apnea
- ❖ Tracheotomy - performed beforehand if indicated
- ❖ Oral or nasal tracheal tube
 - ❖ Tube size and length matters a lot: for flexible bronchoscopy / visibility of larynx / bleeding of tumour caused by intubation
- ❖ Oral or tracheal jet ventilation
- ❖ Ventilation through rigid endoscope

Endoscopes available

- ❖ Flexible - replace more and more the rigid bronchoscopy and parts of the esophagoscopy
 - no palpation (estimate depth and adherence to deeper tissues),
 - airways not secured by endoscope
 - oesophageal mouth, sinus piriformis, lateral extent of ventricle and undersurface of vocal folds cannot sufficiently be visualised
 - can be performed in local anaesthesia
- ❖ Rigid

Which endoscope is right...

- ❖ The one that gives the best possible overview of the tumor and allows for best identification of surgical landmarks (e.g. subglottic extension)

Always be prepared....

- ❖ For heavy bleeding...electric cautery available
- ❖ For airway trouble...rigid tracheoscopy and tracheotomy

In general

- ❖ Work from caudal to rostral: bleeding not obscuring the field of view
- ❖ If relevant for therapy: biopsy different regions
- ❖ Frozen section may help to assess the sampling quality

Literature

- ❖ Atlas of Head and Neck by J. I. Cohen and G.L. Clayman 1st ed. 2011 (Saunders)
- ❖ Jatin Shah's Head and Neck Surgery 4th ed. 2012 (Elsevier)
- ❖ Cummings Otolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery, 6th ed. 2015 (Saunders)
- ❖ Cancer of the Head and Neck by J. Myers, E. Hanna and EN Myers 5th ed. 2016 (LWW)