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Results: Photodynamic therapy with a light emitter ALT-Vostok-03 is a rather effective non-invasive and sparing method of treating purulent wounds and serves as a rationale for the application of the method of photodynamic therapy in clinical practice for the treatment of local acute purulent-inflammatory processes in combination with a CO₂ laser and traditional methods of treatment. In patients of the main group, the normalization of temperature and heart rate was observed at 3.0 ± 0.5 days, a decrease in LII indices to the normal level was observed at 7.0 ± 0.5 days after the treatment. Analysis of the dynamics of clinical manifestations showed that the treatment of purulent wounds using PDT with a photosensitizer of the blizzard blue leads to a rapid decrease in perifocal inflammatory manifestations. Hyperemia of the skin around purulent wounds and a decrease in perifocal inflammation persisted for 3.5 ± 0.5 days, a decrease in local edema was noted for 2.0 ± 0.5 days. The average length of hospital stays for patients in the main group averaged 5.0 ± 2.5 bed-days. After 3-5 sessions of PDT with a photosensitizer MS in the main group, the microbial contamination decreased to a critical level, and after 6-8 sessions, no microbial growth was observed.

Conclusion: The combined use of PDT and CO₂ laser is the most effective, in comparison with traditional methods of treatment, which leads to earlier cleansing from pus, active formation of granulation tissue and shortening the time of complete epithelialization of the wound surface.

Keywords: photodynamic therapy, photosensitizer, methylene blue, CO₂ laser, laser surgery, microbe, planimetry.

1. INTRODUCTION

Despite the achievements of recent years in the field of microbiology, immunology, intensive work on the development and implementation of new antibacterial drugs, improvement of surgical techniques, the problem of treating purulent-inflammatory diseases of soft tissues does not lose its relevance [4,8,32,36]. This problem is compounded by the growing number of pathogenic microorganisms resistant to both antibiotics and some antiseptics [25,31].

In the general structure of surgical diseases, surgical infection is observed in 35 - 45% of patients. At the same time, up to 70-80% of these patients are admitted to hospitals for urgent indications. In the structure of postoperative complications, surgical infection ranges from 32 to 75% [1, 2, 23, 13, 19, 9, 37, 34, 35, 43]. These impressive figures convincingly indicate the relevance and unsolved problem of purulent infection in surgery, which is a very serious medical, social and economic problem that remains relevant today [29].

Despite the availability of various methods of treatment used in purulent surgery, it does not reduce the number of patients with surgical infection, which contributed to the introduction of a wide range of physical and physicochemical methods of local treatment of purulent soft tissue diseases [1, 14, 20, 40].

One of the promising areas of modern medicine in solving this problem is the use of laser treatment methods. Photodynamic therapy (PDT) is a unique medical technology: highly effective, sparing, organ-preserving, providing good cosmetic and functional results [26]. PDT is a relatively new method of treatment based on the use of drugs - photosensitizers (substances that are sensitive to light) and laser radiation with a certain wavelength corresponding to the absorption peak of the photosensitizer [17,24].

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II. RESEARCH PURPOSE

Improvement of the results of treatment of patients with purulent-destructive diseases of soft tissues with the help of local complex application of PDT and CO₂ laser.

III. MATERIALS AND METHODS

The study is based on the results of a comprehensive examination and treatment of 360 patients with purulent wounds of soft tissues who were treated in the department of purulent surgery of the 1-city clinical hospital on the basis of the Department of Surgical Diseases of the TMA from 2014 to 2019. Depending on the treatment carried out, the patients were conditionally divided into 3 groups: the 1st (control group) included 118 patients who underwent

conventional traditional methods of treatment; in the 2nd group (main group I) there were 120 patients who, in combination with traditional methods of treatment, used PDT with a photosensitizer (PS) 0.05% buffer solution of methylene blue (MS); and the 3rd group (main group II) included 122 patients where PDT was used in combination with traditional methods of treatment (0.05% methylene blue buffer solution was used as PS) and a CO₂ laser. According to our data, the distribution of patients by age and sex is presented in table 1. Among the examined patients, there were 189 (52.5%) women, 171 (47.5%) men, the age of the patients varied from 18 to 82 years. The main contingent of patients was of working age from 18 to 60 years - 277 patients (63%).

Table 1: Distribution of patients depending on age and gender

Age of the patients	Control group		Main group I		Main group II	
	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women
From 18 to 44 years old	18	23	19	26	21	20
From 45 to 59 years old	15	17	16	18	19	15
From 60 to 74 years old	11	14	15	11	14	17
75 and elder	9	11	5	10	9	7
Total (%)	53(45%)	65(55%)	55(46%)	65(54%)	63(51,6%)	59(48,3)

According to clinical entities in patients, (13.4%), phlegmon in 43 patients (11.9%) and erysipelas prevailed in 63 patients (17.5%), carbuncle in postoperative suppuration of wounds of various 53 patients (14.8%), infected wounds in 48 patients localization in 34 patients (9.5%).

Table 2: Clinical entities of examined patients

No.	Nosology	Control group	Main group I	Main group II	Total
1.	Erysipelas	23	29	11	63(17,5%)
2.	Carbuncle	17	11	25	53(14,8%)
3.	Infected wound	19	22	7	48(13,4%)
4.	Phlegmon	12	13	18	43(11,9%)
5.	Postoperative wound suppuration	10	9	15	34(9,5%)
6.	Abscessed furuncle	7	8	13	28(7,8%)
7.	Soft tissue abscess	8	4	10	22(6,1%)
8.	Postinjective abscess	7	8	6	21(5,8%)
9.	Acute suppurative mastitis	5	6	9	20(5,5%)
10.	Suppurative hematoma	7	5	4	16(4,4%)
11.	Other nosology	3	5	4	12(3,3%)
Total		118	120	122	360(100%)

Analyzing table 3 on the location of a purulent wound, it can be noted that most often purulent wounds were localized in the body area 98 (27.3%) and lower limbs -73 (20.3%).

Table 3: Distribution of patients according to the location of the purulent wound

Nº	Body area	Control group	Main group I	Main group II	Total (abc and %)
1.	Body	34	28	36	98(27,3%)
2.	Lower limbs	21	33	19	73(20,3%)
3.	Neck	20	15	23	58(16,1%)
	Stomach	16	19	21	56(15,5%)
4.	Buttocks	14	15	16	45(12,5%)
5.	Upper limbs	13	10	7	30(8,3%)
	Total	118	120	122	360(100%)

The time from the onset of the disease to treatment and hospitalization in the hospital averaged 7.2 ± 3.5 days.

Table 4: Distribution of patients in the main and control groups depending on the nature of concomitant diseases

No.	Concomitant diseases	Control group (abc and %)	Main group I (abc and %)	Main group II (abc and %)	Total (abc and %)
1.	Hypertensive disease	26(22,0%)	29(24,1%)	22(18,0%)	77(21,4%)
2.	Coronary disease	18(15,2%)	14(11,7%)	19(15,5%)	51(14,2%)
3.	Diabetes mellitus	12(10,4%)	15(12,5%)	20(16,4%)	47(13,0%)
4.	Varicose of the lower extremities and CVI	13(11,0%)	19(16,0%)	11(9,0%)	43(12,0%)
5.	Respiratory diseases	11(9,3%)	7(5,8%)	8 (6,6%)	26(7,2%)
6.	Postinfarction cardiosclerosis	5(4,2%)	7(5,8%)	11 (9,0%)	23(6,4%)
7.	Diseases of the genitourinary system	5(4,2%)	7(5,8%)	9(7,4%)	21(5,8%)
8.	Arthropathy	9(7,6%)	7(5,8%)	5(4,1%)	21(5,8%)
9.	There was no concomitant pathology	19(16,1%)	15(12,5%)	17(14,0%)	51(14,2%)
		118	120	122	360(100%)

The analysis of concomitant diseases in the comparative groups shows that in the control group in 83.9%, in the main group I in 87.5%, and in the main group II in 86.0% of patients, one or more concomitant diseases were revealed. At the same time, arterial hypertension (21.4%), ischemic heart disease (14.2%), diabetes mellitus (13.0%) and varicose veins of the lower extremities with signs of varying severity of CVI (12.0%) prevailed.

Device characteristics

For photodynamic therapy, an ALT-Vostok model 03 light emitter was used, corresponding to the technical specifications TSh 64-15302652-002: 2010, Manufacturer LLC "NAF", Uzbekistan.

With the following main technical characteristics:

- 1) Radiation range 660-670nm with a power density of 200 mW / cm²;
- 2) Exit area of the emitting terminal 4 cm².

The distance from the end of the radiator to the wound surface was 2-5 cm in the absence of thermal discomfort in the patient. The total irradiation time depended on the area of the wound surface and ranged from 15 to 30 minutes.

For the session of the CO₂ laser, the apparatus "JZ-3A" was used. Laser wavelength: 10.6. Output Power: 1 ~ 15w. Exit mode: Focus, defocus.

In all studied groups, after the start of treatment, we studied general clinical parameters, morphology, microbiology and planimetry of purulent wounds in dynamics. After opening the abscess, all patients had bandaging on the next day after the operation, where the condition of the wound was assessed - resolution of hyperemia, swelling, pain and infiltration of the walls, the nature and amount of discharge from a purulent wound, the presence of non-viable, necrotic tissues and detritus was determined, as well as the timing of the appearance granulation and the beginning of epithelialization. The prints were taken from the walls of wounds for 3,7,10 days for cytological studies, as well as for dynamic control of changes in the microbial flora and its sensitivity to antibiotics.

After the surgical treatment of purulent foci, the dynamics of the course of the wound process in patients of the control and main groups were different, depending on the treatment.

In patients of the control group who received traditional treatment, temperature normalized on day 4.0 ± 0.5 , heart rate normalized on day 4.5 ± 0.5 , and a

decrease in leucocyte index of intoxication - on day 8.5 ± 0.5 after treatment. A decrease in perifocal edema in the area of purulent wounds was observed in patients for 4.5 ± 0.5 days. Hyperemia of the skin around the purulent wounds persisted for 5.0 ± 0.3 days, and infiltration of the edges and walls of the wounds - 8.5 ± 0.5 days. Table 7.

In the main group I, temperature normalized on the 3.0 ± 0.8 th days, the heart rate decreased to normal values by 3.5 ± 0.7 days, a decrease in leucocyte index of intoxication to the normal level was observed on the 8.0 ± 0.5 th days after carrying out medical measures. Analysis of the dynamics of clinical manifestations showed that the treatment of purulent wounds using photodynamic therapy with a photosensitizer blizzard blue leads to a rapid decrease in perifocal inflammatory manifestations. Hyperemia of the skin around purulent

wounds and a decrease in perifocal inflammation persisted for 4.0 ± 0.5 days, and infiltration of the edges and walls of wounds — 6.5 ± 0.5 days. Table 7.

In the main group II, temperature normalized on the 3.0 ± 0.5 th days, the heart rate decreased to normal values by 3.0 ± 0.5 days, and a decrease in leucocyte index of intoxication to the normal level was observed on days 7.0 ± 0.5 after therapeutic measures. Analysis of the dynamics of clinical manifestations showed that the treatment of purulent wounds using photodynamic therapy with a photosensitizer blizzard blue leads to a rapid decrease in perifocal inflammatory manifestations. Hyperemia of the skin around purulent wounds and a decrease in perifocal inflammation persisted for 3.5 ± 0.5 days, and infiltration of the edges and walls of wounds — 5.5 ± 0.5 days. Table 8.

Table 8: Comparative characteristics of the main clinical indicators of the studied groups in dynamics

Groups Indicators	Temperature normalization (days)	Heart rate normalization (days)	Normalization of leucocyte index of intoxication (days)	Decrease in perifocal inflammation (days)	Reduction of infiltration of the edges and walls of wounds (day)
Control group	4.0 ± 0.5	4.5 ± 0.5	8.5 ± 0.5	4.5 ± 0.5	8.5 ± 0.5
Main group I	3.0 ± 0.8	3.5 ± 0.7	8.0 ± 0.5	4.0 ± 0.5	6.5 ± 0.5
Main group II	3.0 ± 0.5	3.0 ± 0.5	7.0 ± 0.5	3.5 ± 0.5	5.5 ± 0.5

Пример: Больной С.С. 1954 г.р. ИБ №1650. Поступил с диагнозом: Карбункул шеи. Жалобы на боли, отечность, покраснение в области задней поверхности шеи, повышение температуры тела, а также слабость. Со слов болеет в течение 10 дней. Занимался самолечением-без эффекта. Анализах крови: Hb-132г/л, WBC-16х109/л, Ht-42,5%, СОЭ-10 мм/ч, АСТ – 0,38мкмоль, АЛТ – 0,29 мкмоль. Локальном осмотре по задней поверхности шеи имеется участок покраснение размером: 10,0х10,0 см при пальпации резко болезненно. 29.01.2016 г произведено операция “выскртые гнойника, некроэктомия”. После операции пациенту проведено 3 сеанса ФДТ (ФС 0,05% раствор метиленовый синий) с помощью фотодинамической устройства АЛТ Восток и СО₂-лазера (2 сеанса). Послеоперационный период прошел хорошо. Операционная рана очистилась от гнойного налета на 3 сутки лечение, появление грануляции через 4-5 дней и эпителизации через 5-6 дней по краям раны. Пациент выписан из стационара в удовлетворительном состоянии на 5-е сутки после операции.



Pic 1: Carbuncle of the posterior surface of the neck after dissection. Fibrinous purulent exudate on the day of the wound.



Pic 2: The state of the wound after the 1st session of the CO₂ laser

Pic 3: The state of the wound after the 3rd session of the CO₂ laser (5th day, after the opened abscess). There is no Fibrinous purulent exudate, there are signs of granulation on the wound.



Observation of the course of purulent wounds in dynamics showed that the cleansing of wounds from purulent-necrotic masses during the traditional treatment occurred on the days 7.0 ± 0.5 (on the $4.5 \pm 0.5^{\text{th}}$ day in the main group I and 3.8 ± 0.5 in the main group II), the appearance of granulations was noted on $7.5 \pm 0.7^{\text{th}}$ days (on the $5.0 \pm 0.6^{\text{th}}$ day in the main group I and 4.0 ± 0.5 in the main group II), and marginal

epithelization was detected on $8.0 \pm 0.7^{\text{th}}$ days (on the $6, 5 \pm 0.5^{\text{th}}$ day in the main group I and 5.5 ± 0.5 in the main group II) after surgical treatment of a purulent focus - table 8. The average length of hospital stay for patients in the control group averaged 9.5 ± 3.5 bed-days (7.5 ± 3.0 in the main group I and 6.0 ± 2.5 in the main group II) - after a PDT session and a CO₂ laser, the terms decreased in the main group II.

Table 9: Comparative characteristics of the wound process depending on the treatment performed in dynamics

Groups	Medium terms (days)		
	Wound cleaning	Appearance of granulation	Onset of marginal epithelialization
Control group	7.0 ± 0.5	7.5 ± 0.6	8.0 ± 0.7
Main group I	4.5 ± 0.5	5.0 ± 0.6	6.5 ± 0.5
Main group II	3.8 ± 0.5	4.0 ± 0.6	5.5 ± 0.5

The staged planimetric studies carried out showed that in the main groups of patients, where PDT and CO₂ laser were used for treatment, the area of purulent wounds decreased faster than in the control group - Table 14. Thus, in patients of main group II, the area of purulent wounds decreased by 10th days by 72.7%, in patients in the main group this indicator is

69.5%, while with traditional treatment the area of purulent wounds decreased by 59.9% ($p < 0.05$).

Table 14: Comparative characteristics of planimetric indicators of purulent wounds in dynamics in the studied groups

Group of patients	Wound area (cm ² and %)			
	1 st day	3 rd day	7 th day	10 th day
Control group	147±6,0 cm ² (100%)	133±5,0 (90,4%)	75±3,0 (51%)	59±5,5 (40,1%)
Main group I	141±8,0 cm ² (100%)	119±5,0 (84,3%)	60±4,0 (42,5%)	43±2,5 (30,5%)
Main group II	143±5,0 cm ² (100%)	111±5,0 (77,6%)	48±4,0 (33,5%)	39±2,0 (27,3%)

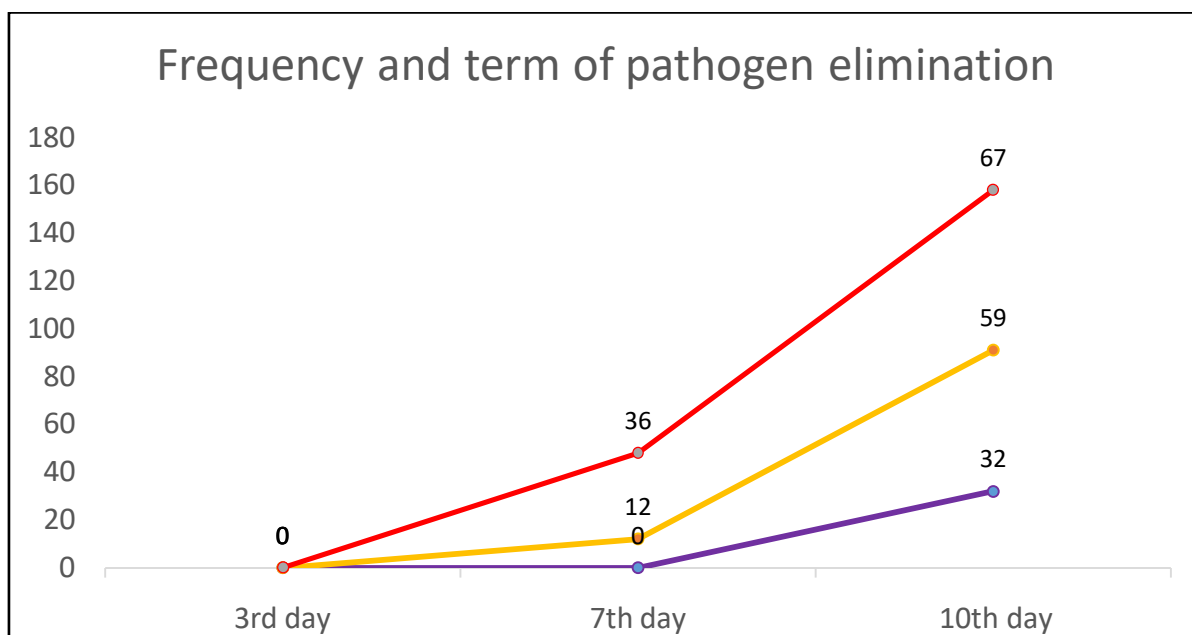
Studying the planimetric parameters obtained, we can conclude that the average daily rate of decrease in the area of purulent wounds in the control group was - 5.99% in 10 days, in the main group I, with the combined use of photodynamic therapy with photosensitizer methylene blue, the rate of shortening of the wound surface was -6.9 %, and in the main group II, with the combined use of photodynamic therapy and a CO₂ laser, the rate of shortening of the wound surface was higher and amounted to -7.2%.

In the course of monitoring the patients of the main group during the year, none of the patients showed the formation of keloid or gross hypertrophic scars. The scar tissue did not protrude above the skin level, was smooth, did not deform the skin and subcutaneous tissue, and was not adhered to the underlying tissues.

The study of the microbiology of purulent wounds shows that those obtained from patients of three groups were contaminated with microorganisms, i.e. growth was observed in all samples (100%). From 105 examined patients, 124 strains of microbes were

isolated, of which 86 (82%) were monocultures, 19 (18%) strains were found in an association of two types of microbes. In 9 (47.4%) cases, two types of staphylococci were sown; in 6 (31.5%) cultures hemolytic streptococci were associated with staphylococci and in 1 (5.3%) - E. coli. In one case, Candida fungi were excreted with E. coli, Proteus, and streptococci. The dominant pathogens of HVD were gram-positive microorganisms - 124/112 (91.4%), among which the leading position was occupied by staphylococci 83%, represented, in most of the crops, by St. aureus (92%). Representatives of the gram-negative flora were: Proteusspp. (3 / 2.5%), Ps. aeruginosae (7/6%), E. coli (2 / 1.5%).

A comparative analysis of the data obtained from the three examined groups of patients showed that all the methods of treatment used had an effect to one degree or another on the causative agent of the purulent-inflammatory process. The differences between these groups were manifested in the timing of the elimination of the pathogen (Figure 23).

**Fig. 23:** Frequency and term of pathogen elimination in comparative groups

As shown in the diagram, the change in the drillability of microbes from purulent foci occurs by the

seventh day. In 32% of patients in the control group who received traditional treatment, there was no growth of

the pathogen in the seeding on the 10th day of the study. In contrast, in group I of patients who received traditional treatment in combination with PDT, no growth of microbes was found. On the seventh day of examination in 12% of patients, and in the last study - in 59% of patients, which is 1.8 times more than in the control group. The best results were achieved in group II of the surveyed who received complex therapy - traditional treatment + PDT + CO₂ laser: elimination of the pathogen was observed on the seventh day in 36% of patients, which is 3 times higher than the indicators of group I patients. On the tenth day, the absence of growth was already in 67% of patients in this group, which is also higher than those of group I by 1.1 times, and in the control group of patients by 2 times. The data obtained allow us to conclude that the proposed method of treatment is highly effective.

Morphological studies have shown that, before surgical treatment, during histological studies, the walls and bottom of the wound are represented by destructive necrotic tissues, abundantly infiltrated by polymorphonuclear leukocytes, the tissues are edematous having venous and capillary plethora, stasis, perivascular diapedetic and focal hemorrhages.

The study of the dynamics of acute purulent-inflammatory diseases of soft tissues after traditional treatment showed that on the 3rd day, purulent-destructive and necrobiotic changes with infiltration of neutrophilic leukocytes prevailed in almost all types of purulent diseases. By the 7th day of traditional treatment, infiltration of neutrophilic leukocytes is more often observed, the number of abscesses and foci of necrosis increases, and the destruction of specific tissue structures is observed. By the 10th day of the examination, the processes of edema and destruction in the purulent-inflamed tissue calmed down somewhat, certain boundaries appeared in the areas of neutrophilic infiltration, proliferative inflammation developed around the foci of abscesses and necrobiosis, and connective tissue was formed.

IV. DISCUSSION

Thus, the presented data convincingly prove the high clinical efficacy of antibacterial therapy based on a CO₂ laser and photodynamic effects caused by the simultaneous action of a physical and chemical factor on the pathogenic microflora.

According to the literature data, the effectiveness of methylene blue as a photosensitizer in PDT has also been proven. Methylene blue has no dark toxicity to living cells. The photosensitizer and white light alone do not have photodynamic antimicrobial activity. Methylene blue had the maximum antibacterial activity at a concentration of 50 μ M (0.05%). Considering the above positive qualities, methylene blue makes it

possible to widely recommend photodynamic therapy of purulent wounds in clinical medicine.

At the beginning of the twentieth century, the idea of a "magic bullet" was expressed by Paul Ehrlich, who suggested that incubation of bacteria with methylene blue dye should cause them to die when exposed to light. The effect of other photosensitizers was expressed to one degree or another, but the maximum effect with the minimum dose of laser radiation was achieved with the use of methylthioninium chloride (methylene blue) and zinc phthalocyanine [41].

The European Laser Association in 1997 published the work of S.E. Milson et al. [41,42], which reported that *H. pylori* after incubation with methylene blue, toluidine blue and hematoporphyrin derivatives was successfully inactivated at doses of 50 and 100 J / cm². The best photoinactivation effect was observed at a dose of 50 J / cm² with methylene blue. The work noted that the dose of 50 J / cm² is far beyond the damaging effect of laser radiation on the gastric mucosa [42].

The combined effect of PDT with methylene blue and a weak electric current (1 mA) on *E. coli* in vitro in order to enhance the effect of PDT increases the efficiency of PDT [34]. The effect of preliminary laser irradiation of bacteria before incubation with a photosensitizer is interesting. In cases where APDT was applied to highly resistant bacteria such as the microbacterium tuberculosis, preliminary laser irradiation disrupted the structure of the cell wall in vitro and made the bacterium more susceptible to APDT [7].

PDT with methylene blue and irradiation with broadband white light (400-700 nm) at a dose of 10 J / cm² inactivates Qb-bacteriophage RNA in vitro by linking it with plasma proteins [44].

The obtained clinical, histological, microbiological and immunological data indicate that photodynamic therapy with a laser and non-laser light source is a fairly effective non-invasive method for treating purulent wounds and serve as a rationale for the application of the method of photodynamic therapy in clinical practice for the treatment of local acute suppurative inflammation, in particular for the treatment of purulent proctological pathology [11].

The use of local photodynamic therapy in complex treatment with the use of laser radiation using the ALT "VOSTOK-03" apparatus and a photosensitizer of 0.05% methylene blue solution allows in a short time to achieve cleansing of wound surfaces from pathogenic microflora, to ensure the normalization of signs of intoxication in a shorter time compared to traditional treatment, to achieve a decrease in the number of progression of the pathological process on the foot from 31.5% to 6.7%, as well as a decrease in the number of deaths from 10.5% to 2.2% [29].

The optimal concentration of methylene blue in vitro, as well as the duration of laser radiation with a

wavelength of 630–670 nm for photodynamic effects on *Candida albicans*, have been determined. A study (on rabbits) of the possibility of using photodynamic therapy (PDT) in fungal keratitis was carried out. At the next stage, the PDT method was introduced into clinical practice for the treatment of patients with fungal keratitis. PDT with 0.1% methylene blue is an effective method of treating fungal (*C. albicans*) keratitis, which is confirmed by microbiological and clinical studies [16].

Observation of the results of treatment of patients with purulent-destructive diseases of soft tissues shows that the use of laser methods of CO₂ laser and subsequent PDT with the photosensitizer "Methylene blue" creates optimal conditions for cleansing the purulent focus from necrotic tissues and detritus, respectively, accelerating the reparative regenerative parameters. The method allows to achieve the fastest cleansing of the wound and reduce the duration of treatment in comparison with the control group of patients. The above results make it possible to evaluate the use of a CO₂ laser and PDT with a photosensitizer "Methylene blue" in the treatment of purulent-destructive diseases and to recommend it for use in surgical practice.

V. CONCLUSION

1. Selective use of a CO₂ laser allows for early and bloodless necrosectomy, improvement of wound repair, as well as reduction of its microbial contamination.
2. Photodynamic therapy, when used in patients with purulent-destructive diseases of soft tissues, allows at an earlier time to achieve cleansing of purulent wounds from pathogenic microbial flora, purulent exudate and accelerate its healing.
3. Photodynamic therapy is a fairly effective non-invasive and sparing method of treating purulent wounds and is a justified application of this method in clinical practice for the treatment of acute suppurative-inflammatory processes in combination with traditional methods.

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Results: The nasal epithelium combines both respiratory and olfactory activity. The neural path is responsible for the olfactory information to be transmitted from the olfactory epithelium to the olfactory bulb, through axons of the sensory neurons that puncture the cribriform lamina of the ethmoid bone. Their circuits process the information before they reach the superior cerebral centers. Immunostaining of the olfactory epithelium revealed the presence of angiotensin 2 transformative enzyme in the sustentacular cells, instead of the olfactory neurons, which are the indirect affection target of the CoV2 infection. The sustentacular cells are responsible for sustaining the sensory neurons and for antigen phagocytosis. The local infection of the sustentacular and vascular cells of the nasal and bulbar epithelium may cause inflammation, which generates a series of events that affect either directly or indirectly, the correct and effective transmission of smell. During those events, a neural transmission blockage can happen, along with the decrease of hydric and ionic balance due to damage to the supporting cells. Besides that, the vascular damage with hypoperfusion of the olfactory bulb can lead to prolonged anosmia. Taking these analyses into account, more studies are still necessary to solidify the research findings to then venture into new hypothesis.

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I. INTRODUCTION

A feature of modern childhood traumatism is an increase in the number of many types of injuries – combined and multiple trauma, leading to an increase in mortality and disability [1]. In peacetime, concomitant injury most often occurs because of road accidents and falls from a height [7].

According to the many authors, the mortality rate in childhood with associated injuries ranges from 7.1% to 22% [2,3]. High mortality is associated with late diagnosis of internal bleeding, as well as the emergence of several foci of nociceptive pathological impulses, which, with a sufficiently long and intense exposure, leads to disintegration and disruption of urgent compensatory mechanisms, therefore, to an increase in the severity and resistance of traumatic shock. [3.4]

The combination of trauma to the abdominal organs with damage to other anatomical areas of the body aggravates the condition of the victim, significantly complicates the diagnosis and worsens the prognosis [6]. In a timely manner undetected abdominal injuries lead to an error in the choice of surgical tactics. Despite the improvement of laboratory instrumental and minimally invasive diagnostic methods, in the surgery of abdominal injuries, the errors of diagnosis and, accordingly, the surgical treatment tactics are 20-38%. [3.4]

The aim of the study is to develop a therapeutic and diagnostic algorithm for surgical treatment for concomitant abdominal trauma in children.

II. MATERIALS AND METHODS

Over the past 10 years (2010-2019), 118 patients aged 1 to 18 years with combined injuries were hospitalized in the Republican Scientific Center for Emergency Medical Aid (RSCEMA) in the department of emergency surgery. Of these, 61 (33.9%) patients applied through the emergency room, 51 (43.2%) – by gravity without a referral, and 6 (5%) – by gravity in a referral from other institutions. 83 (70.3%) were boys and 36 (29.6%) were girls.

Taking into account the periodization of childhood adopted in pediatrics, the material is divided into three age groups: younger, from 0 to 3 years – 17 (14.4%) children, average age 1.8 ± 1.1 years; average,

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4-11 years old – 69 (58.5%) patients, average age 8.4 ± 2.1 years; the oldest, 12-18 years old – 32 (27.1%) children, the average age is 15 ± 1.5 years [5]. Injuries were received by victims of road accidents – 78 (66.4%) cases, falls from a height – 39 (33.0%) and domestic injuries – 1 (0.84%).

Among the patients, a combination of 6 anatomical areas was identified in 6 (5%) cases; 5 regions – 8 (6.8%); 4 regions – 18 (15.2%); 3 regions – 46 (39%) and 2 regions – 40 (33.9%) (Diagram. 1).

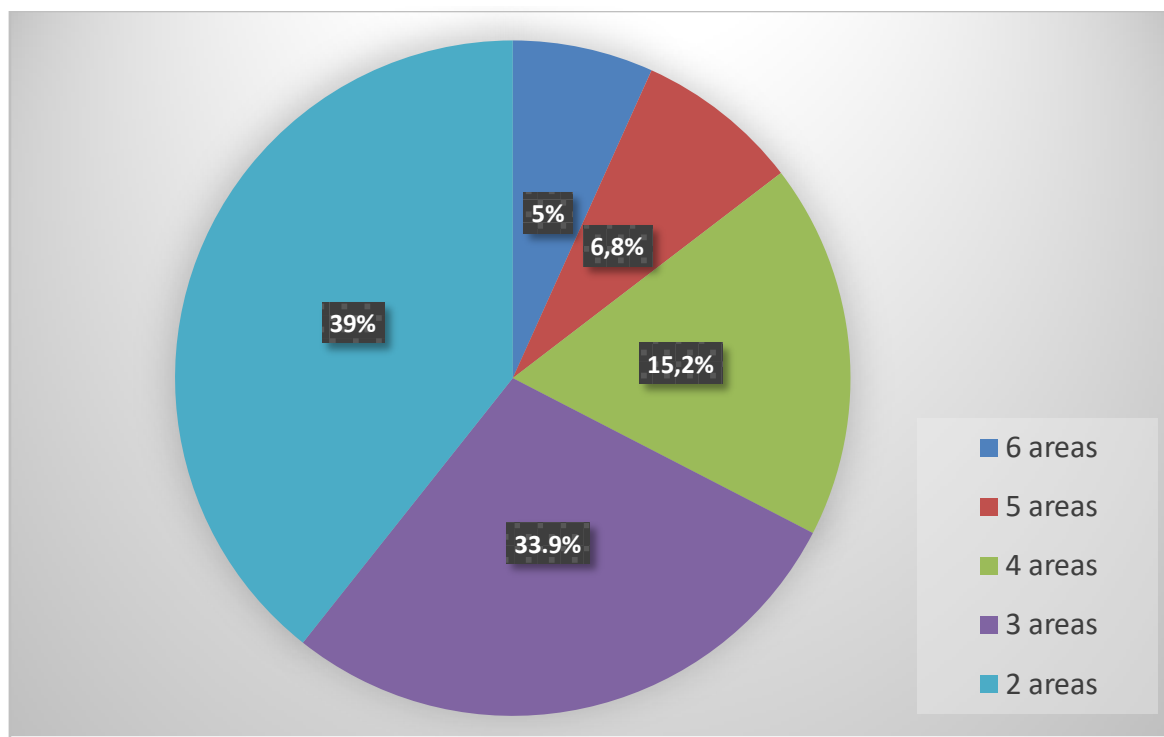


Diagram 1: Abdominal trauma in combination with other areas of the body.

The most frequent combinations of abdominal injuries were observed in victims with head grass – 104 (88%) cases, chest – 31 (29.8%), limbs – 16 (13.6%), spine – 2 (1.7%) and pelvis – 1 (0.84%) (Fig. 2)

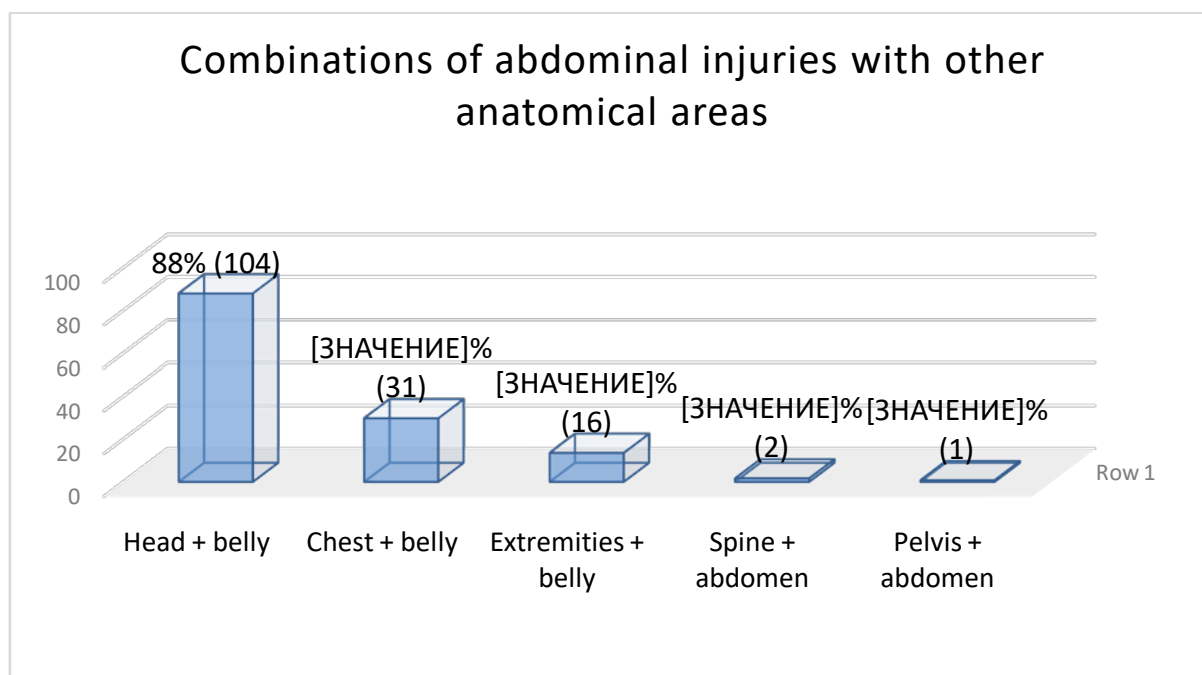


Diagram 2: Combinations of abdominal injuries with other anatomical areas.

The logistic factor, which determines the duration of treatment and the timeliness of diagnostic and therapeutic procedures, depending on the severity of the injuries, plays the most essential role in the therapeutic efficacy in concomitant trauma [9]. The key to success at the stages of diagnosis and determination of treatment tactics is the first "golden" hour of hospitalization, during which it provides an opportunity for the survival of victims with associated trauma. Of the 118 hospitalized patients with associated injuries, 73 (62%) patients came to the RSCEMA within 1 hour from the moment of injury, 18 (10%) - 2 hours, 9 (5%) - 5 hours, 18 (10%) - more than 5 hours.

The severity of the injury was assessed using the ISS scale [8]. Assessment of the severity of the injury showed that among them, injuries of a critical degree prevailed - 31 (26.3%) patients, 63 severe (53.4%) and 24 moderate (20.3%).

Among children with concomitant trauma, 64 (54.2%) were admitted in consciousness, 14 (11.9%) - in a state of stunning, 7 (5.9%) - in a soporous state, 33 (28%) - in various degrees of coma.

Determination of the dominant trauma is one of the most difficult sections in the treatment of victims with concomitant trauma. In the analyzes carried out by our center with combined trauma, in 85 (72%) cases, abdominal injuries were the dominant trauma, which posed the greatest threat to the victim's life. In most cases, with combined abdominal trauma, liver damage was noted in 40 (33.9%) cases, spleen - 39 (33%), kidney - 6 (5.08%), small intestine - 6 (5.08%), large intestine - 2 (1.7%) and gallbladder - 2 (1.7%). (Diagram 3).

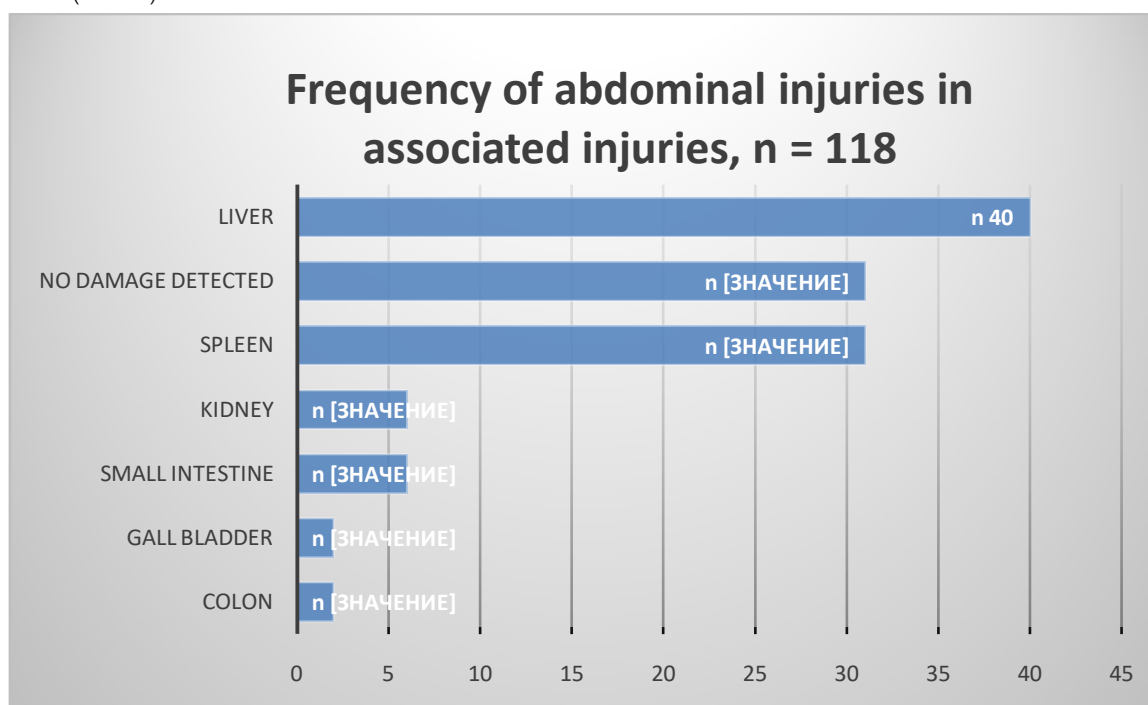
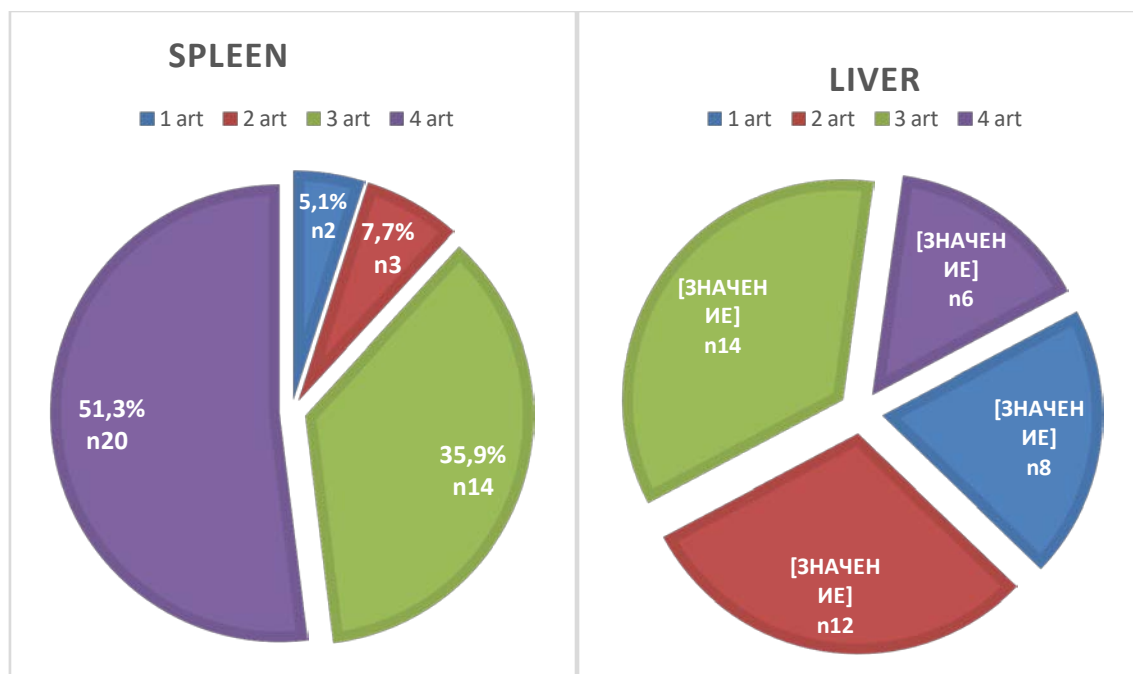


Figure 3: Frequency of injuries to the abdominal organs in concomitant injuries in children.

In our observations, the source of hemoperitoneum was mainly damage to the liver and spleen. According to the classification of injuries of parenchymal organs AATS (American Association of Trauma Surgery, 1994) - the American Association of Injury Surgery, a shortened scale of injuries, where 5 degrees of severity are distinguished [8,10], damage to the spleen I degree was noted in two cases (5.1%); grade II spleen injury was observed in 3 (7.7%) patients; III degree - in 14 (35.9%) patients; IV degree - in 20 (51.3%) victims, respectively. Grade V damage to the spleen was not observed. First-degree liver damage was detected in 8 (20%) patients; second degree - in 12 (30%); the third - in 14 (35%); the fourth - in 6 (15%). the

fifth degree of degree of damage was not revealed in our patients.

The degree of damage to the parenchymal organs of the abdomen according to AIS



III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

In the diagnosis of combined abdominal injuries, ultrasound played an important role. Instrumental studies were started with ultrasound, with further re-examination 1 hour after admission and every 3 hours during the day. Among 118 children with concomitant injuries, in 90 (76.3%) cases, an ultrasound examination of the abdominal organs was performed, in 5 (4.2%) cases an emergency operation was performed without preliminary ultrasound examination, 23 (19.5%) died during shock measures upon admission before the ultrasound. At the same time, the sensitivity of ultrasound in determining hemoperitoneum in patients with abdominal trauma was 95.6%, and the diagnostic efficiency was 97.9%.

Polypositional radiography was performed according to standard techniques, while in 99 (83.9%) cases a simultaneous plain radiography of the skull, spine, chest and abdomen (including laterography), pelvis and extremities (according to indications) was performed. Of the total number of studies, 54 (53.5%) patients showed various bone-traumatic injuries of the limb on X-ray examination, 6 (5.94%) patients showed rib fractures and 39 (39.4%) children showed no pathology on X-ray. revealed. The sensitivity of X-ray examination in the diagnosis of injuries to the abdominal organs was low and amounted to 41.2 to 66.4%.

Multispiral computed tomography (MSCT) is a non-invasive method that provides valuable additional information about the extent, number and extent of damage in associated injuries. MSCT was performed in 46 (39%) patients. At the same time, MSCT of the head and neck was performed in 11 (24%), chest - 4 (8.7%),

abdomen - 12 (26%), pelvis - 2 (4.3%). In 3 (6.5%) cases, a total MSCT examination was performed from the head to the lower extremities, which made it possible to simultaneously reveal the presence of damage to all anatomical regions in a few minutes. MSCT had a sensitivity of 97% -98%, a specificity and accuracy of 98%.

The final method in diagnosing abdominal injuries was laparoscopy, which made it possible to avoid unnecessary laparotomies. Diagnostic laparoscopy was performed in 45 (38.1%) cases of patients with ultrasound examination of the presence of free fluid in the abdominal cavity. Of these, 6 (5.1%) cases of abdominal injuries were not detected, in 4 (3.4%) patients, the operation was completed laparoscopically by coagulation of small ruptures of parenchymal organs and sanitation of the abdominal cavity: in 1 (0.8%) case performed laparoscopic suturing of the rupture of the liver, in 3 (2.5%) - diathermocoagulation of ruptures of the spleen. Diagnostic laparoscopy in 35 (29.7%) children revealed the presence of a large amount of blood due to deep damage to the liver and spleen with active bleeding, in connection with which they underwent a conversion to laparotomy. In 30 (25.4%) cases, laparotomy was immediately performed due to a large amount of free fluid on ultrasound and unstable hemodynamic parameters, among which in 23 (19.5%) cases the operation ended with coagulation and suturing of liver damage, in 32 (27, 1%) - splenectomy.

Diagnostic laparoscopy makes it possible to determine the amount and nature of fluid in the abdominal cavity and, based on this, the volume of the operation is planned: to complete the operation

laparoscopically or switch to laparotomy. In 73.3% of cases of associated injuries, diagnostic and therapeutic laparoscopy made it possible to complete the operation laparoscopically without unnecessary laparotomy, however, due to the diagnosis of extensive damage to the abdominal organs with active bleeding and the presence of a large amount of free blood in the abdominal cavity, in 26.0% of cases, conversion to laparotomy was performed. The sensitivity of diagnostic laparoscopy for blunt abdominal trauma was 100%, specificity - 91% and accuracy - 96%. It were not observed complications after diagnostic manipulations. The mortality rate of children with concomitant abdominal trauma was 21 (23%) children. The total number of bed-days was 9.3 ± 0.8 .

In case of combined injury, together with the operation of the abdominal cavity, operations were performed simultaneously:

- 15 operations on the head. Craniotomy with removal of subdural hematoma - 3, intracerebral hematoma-2, Imposition of dilated cranial holes with removal of intracerebral hematoma and drainage -1, Imposition of dilated cranial openings with removal of subdural hematoma-2, Open osteosynthesis-2 with pin osteosynthesis -2, Closed osteosynthesis by

pinning-2, Closed osteosynthesis with an external fixation device-1.

- 11 operations on the chest. Thoracotomy Suturing of a lung injury-1, Thoracoscopic hemostasis in case of injury of intercostal arteries-1, Thoracoscopic coagulation of a lung injury-4, Thoracoscopic suturing of a lung injury-2, Removal of coagulated hemothorax-3.
- 66 surgical interventions for injuries of the musculoskeletal system. Most of all were hip injuries - 28 operations, lower leg bones - 32 and pelvic bones - 6.

It was created a tactic based on the Ultrasound Score - USS scale (Fig. 2) to improve the diagnosis of injuries to the abdominal organs. An ultrasound scan in dynamics is conducted with a zero USS score, i.e. in the absence of free fluid in the abdominal cavity, and an operation of the dominant injury is performed in the presence of a dominating damage to another anatomical location. Diagnostic laparoscopy or laparotomy are performed when USS is equal to 1 or 2 or more. The operation of other anatomical locations is performed after intra-abdominal bleeding has been stopped and the integrity of the internal organs of the abdominal cavity has been eliminated.

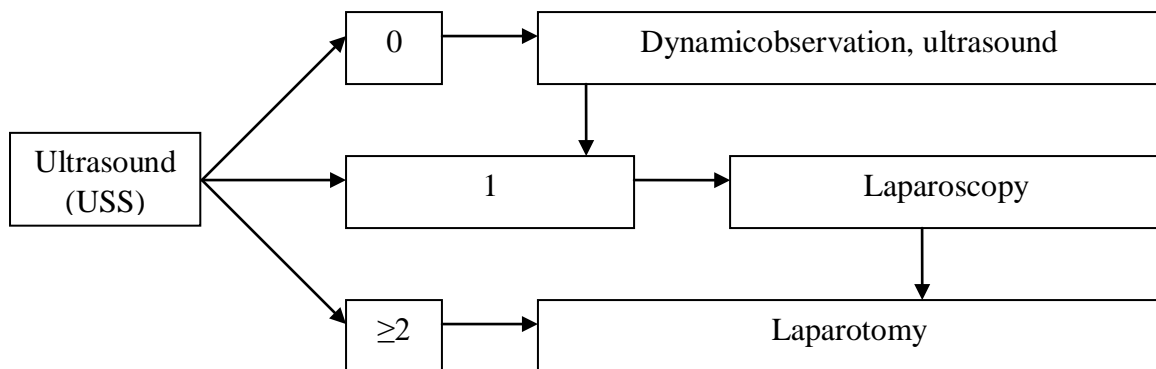


Figure 2: Algorithm for the treatment of patients with closed abdominal trauma

According to the recommended algorithm, the first stage is to restore the functions of vital organs with the elimination of damage to the anatomical regions, where there is a dominant, life-threatening nature of damage. The restoration of the anatomical and functional integrity of other anatomical areas, where the nature of the damage is not dominant, is carried out in the second stage.

IV. CONCLUSIONS

1. Ultrasound gradation of the volume of free fluid in the abdominal cavity USS (Ultrasound Score) makes it possible to determine the surgical tactics for concomitant abdominal trauma.

2. In cases of severe trauma with unstable hemodynamics, a total MSCT examination from the head to the lower extremities is justified for the timely detection of the dominant injury and other injuries.
3. Improvement of minimally invasive methods for diagnosing abdominal injuries by expanding the therapeutic capabilities of video laparoscopy improves the results of surgical treatment for concomitant abdominal trauma.
4. The proposed algorithm allows, first of all, to restore the dominant and life-threatening damage to the anatomical areas, from which, along with anti-shock measures, it is necessary to begin the surgical treatment tactics.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Cancer ranks as a leading cause of death and an important barrier to increasing life expectancy in every country of the world.¹ GLOBOCAN 2018 stated that nearly 18.1 million new cancer cases and 9.6 million cancer deaths occurred in 2018 worldwide, compared with 14.1 million and 8.2 million, respectively, in 2012.^{2,3} Of these, the incidence of lip, oral cavity, and pharyngeal (LOCP) cancers is increasing. In 2018, LOCP cancers have been estimated to be responsible for 710,237 incident cases and 358,536 deaths accounting for about 3.9% of all cancer cases and 3.7% of cancer deaths.² The projections for the year 2035 show a 62% increase in the number of cases.⁴ LOCP cancers often have similar risk factors, common pathology and hence, are grouped together.⁵ The predominant risk factors for LOCP cancers include tobacco smoking and alcohol consumption although other factors, including the aspects of diet, may affect the risk.⁶ Of these the most important risk factor is tobacco use. There are about 60 carcinogens in cigarette smoke and nearly 16 carcinogens in chewing or smokeless tobacco. The types of chewable tobacco

products manufactured in the country are innumerable such as pan masala, guttka, pukaar, khaini and are easily accessible to the common man. These products are kept for longer times in the buccogingival sulcus and accounts for higher incidences of oral cavity cancer.⁷ Due to the differences in the prevalence of specific risk factors, there is a considerable variation in the pattern of these cancers. A 20-fold global variation is seen in the incidence of these cancers.⁸ Two-thirds of this burden is in the developing countries, where under-ascertainment of cases is significant.⁹ In India too, there is a varied geographical distribution within the country.¹⁰ Moreover the data on cancer is limited because the cancer registries which provide data on incidence rates cover only less than 10% of the total population.¹¹ Hence it becomes necessary to analyse cancer trends based on the regional data and identify the specific risk factors as well as the future prospects for effective interventions in cancer prevention. Therefore, the present study aims to describe and compare the epidemiological profile of the LOCP cancer patients registered in our hospital.

II. METHODOLOGY

A record based retrospective study was conducted at the Regional Cancer Centre, Coimbatore Medical College Hospital, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, India. The study was conducted over a period of six months from February 2018 to July 2018. Time bound sampling was done. Data of all the cases of LOCP cancers registered from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017 were taken. A pre-tested, semi-structured case study form was used as the study tool. It has four parts: a) Demographic details: It includes the age, sex, socio-economic status and the residential address of the patients. Socio-economic status of the patients was classified according to the Modified Kuppuswamy scale.¹² The patients were classified according to the district they reside in. b) Clinical profile: It includes the cancer site, histopathological type and stage of cancer. The cancer site was classified according to the International Classifications of Diseases of Oncology, 3rd Edition (ICD-O). The cancers included: lip (ICD-O: C00), tongue (ICD-O: C01-C02), gum (ICD-O: C03), mouth (ICD-O: C04, C06), palate (ICD-O: C05), parotid gland (ICD-O: C07) submandibular gland (ICD-O:

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C08.0), tonsil (ICD-O: C09), oropharynx (ICD-O: C10), nasopharynx (ICD-O: C11), pyriform sinus (ICD-O: C12), hypopharynx (ICD-O: C13) and other ill-defined part of the lip, mouth and pharynx (ICD-O: C14). The cancer stage denotes the clinical extent of disease at the time of presentation. It consists of three categories- localised, regional and distant. c) Risk factors: It includes history of personal habits like smoking (cigarettes and bidi), alcohol and smokeless tobacco products like chewable tobacco, pan masala, gutka etc. d) Treatment modality: type of cancer treatment - chemotherapy, radiotherapy and/or surgery was analysed. The data on palliative care was also collected.

The data were free from personal identifiers and the patient confidentiality was ensured. The collected data were entered in Microsoft Excel and analysed using Statistical Package for Social Sciences (SPSS) version 23. Data were collected as categorical variables and results are displayed as proportions and tables, pie-charts and graphs were used to demonstrate the results.

III. RESULTS

A total number of 441 LOCP cancer cases were reported in our hospital during our study period, from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017. In the same period, there were 1992 cases of all types of cancer (978 in men and 1014 in women). LOCP cancers

comprised about 22.14% of all cancers registered in the study period.

Demographic details: Table-1 shows the sociodemographic characteristics of the study population. Among the 441 study subjects, 329 (74.6%) patients were male and 112 (25.4%) were female. Our study population is distributed from the age of 20 to 93 years with a mean age being 58.25 ± 11.4 years. The age group of 51-60 was found to have the highest percentage of cancer cases (142, 32.2%), followed by the age group of 61-70 years (132, 29.9%). As per the socio-economic status by the Modified Kuppuswamy scale, majority of them belonged either to lower (200, 45.4%) or upper lower class (213, 48.3%). The maximum number of cases came from the Coimbatore district (265, 60.1%), followed by Tiruppur (80, 18.1%) and Erode (47, 10.7%) districts respectively.

Clinical profile: Figure-1 shows the subtypes of the LOCP cancers. The most common subtype among LOCP cancers is Mouth (27%), followed by tongue (25%). Histopathologically, squamous cell carcinoma is the most common type contributing to 425 (96.5%) of cases. Figure - 2 shows the stage of cancer at the time of presentation. Nearly 73% of cancer cases presented with regional extent of disease. Localised and regional extent contributed to nearly 84% of cases.

Table - 1: Sociodemographic characteristics of LOCP cancer cases (n=441)

Sociodemographic characteristics	Number (n=441)	Percentage
Age group (in years)		
≤30	4	0.9
31-40	25	5.7
41-50	91	20.6
51-60	142	32.2
61-70	132	29.9
71-80	41	9.2
≥80	6	1.4
Gender		
Male	329	74.6
Female	112	25.4
Socio-economic status		
Lower class	200	45.4
Upper lower class	213	48.3
Lower middle class	26	5.9
Upper middle class	2	0.5
District wise distribution		
Coimbatore	265	60.1
Tiruppur	80	18.1
Erode	47	10.7
Nilagiris	19	4.3
Salem	10	2.3
Namakkal	5	1.1
Krishnagiri	1	0.2
Dharmapuri	3	0.7
Others	11	2.5
Total	441	100

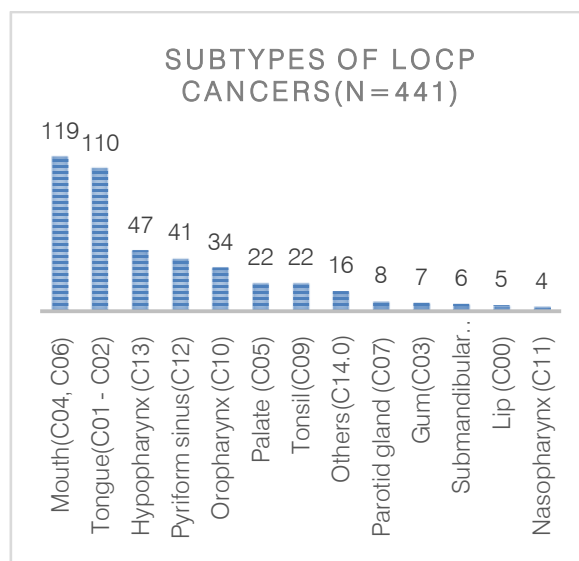


Figure 1: Subtypes of LOCP cancers (n=441)

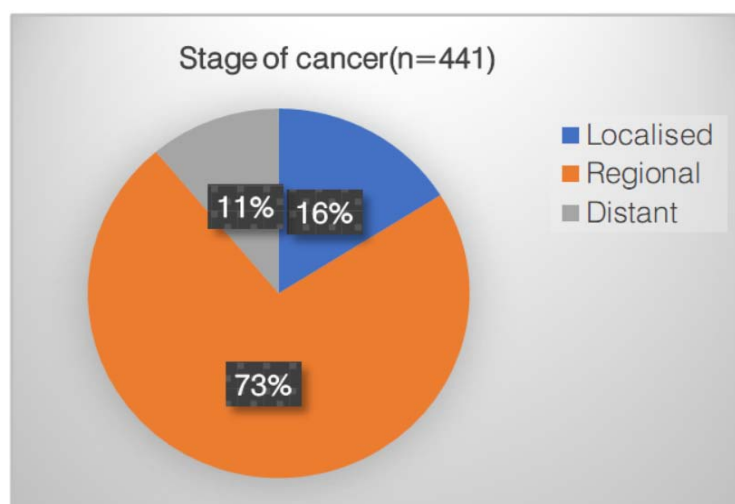


Figure 2: Distribution of patients according to stage of cancers (n=441)

Table – 2: Distribution of risk factors among the study population (n=441)

Risk factor		Type of cancer				Total
		Lip	Oral cavity	Pharynx	Salivary glands	
Smoked tobacco products	Yes	3	152	102	10	267
	No	2	106	62	4	174
Alcohol	Yes	1	117	82	6	206
	No	4	141	82	8	235
Smokeless tobacco products	Yes	1	160	102	3	266
	No	4	98	62	11	175
Total		5	258	164	14	441

Risk factors: Table – 2 shows the distribution of risk factors among the study population. Nearly 267 patients (60.1%) were smokers and 206 patients (46.7%) used alcohol. Smokeless tobacco products like gutka,

chewable tobacco, pan masala etc. were used by 266 patients (60.3%). Of the 258 oral cavity cancer cases, nearly 152 cases were smokers (58.9%) and 160 patients used other forms of tobacco (62%).

Treatment modality: Distribution of cancer cases according to type of treatment is shown in Table 2. Majority of them received the combination therapy of surgery and radiotherapy (69.6% patients). Nearly 8 people (1.8%) who were in the advanced stages of the disease received palliative care.

IV. DISCUSSION

The trends of lip, oral Cavity and pharyngeal cancers show wide variation worldwide. Hence it

becomes necessary to study the incidence and demographic profile of LOCP cancers based on regional data. The incidence of lip and oral cavity cancer in our study was nearly 13.9%. This is in sharp contrast to 3.9%

Table 3: Number and Relative Proportion of patients according to Type of Treatment given (n = 1992)

Type of treatment	Number (n=441)	Percentage
Surgery alone	42	9.5
Surgery + Chemotherapy	1	0.2
Surgery + Radiotherapy	307	69.6
Radiotherapy + Chemotherapy	55	12.5
Surgery + Chemotherapy + Radiotherapy	36	8.2
Total	441	100

incidence in the world and 7.6% incidence in India.^{2,13} Although the national statistics show a higher incidence of LOCP cancers, the present study shows that the incidence rate is almost doubled, compared to that of the national statistics. This is a major cause for concern. The males (74.6%) were affected more commonly than females (25.4%) in our study. The male – female ratio was nearly 2.9:1. This is in contrast to the global data where the ratio was approximately 2:1 and Indian data where the ration was nearly 1.8:1.^{2,10} This Indian study by Majhi et al mentions that patients have a better awareness and higher will to seek medical treatment in the developed parts of the country i.e., western and southern India, so the females in these areas, access the health care system better.² However these studies are done only in the capital cities like Chennai, Trivandrum and Pondicherry, and cannot be generalised to the whole south India. The present study was done in the Coimbatore district of Tamilnadu which is not as developed as these capital cities. Our hospital receives cancer cases from the farthest of the villages in neighbouring districts also. This can be attributed to the gross difference in the sex ratio compared to the national and global statistics. In our study, the majority of LOCP cancer cases (62%) belonged to the age group of 51-70 years. This corroborates with the studies done by Saika et al.,¹⁴ and Gupta et al.¹⁵

Lip and oral cavity cancers formed the major constituent of the LOCP cancers (51.2%) in the GLOBOCAN cancer statistics 2018.² In our study too, lip and oral cavity cancer constituted about 59.6% of all LOCP cases. Of this mouth (27%) was the most

common type. The incidence of the cancer hypopharynx is nearly 20% in our study, whereas it was only 10.2% in the global statistics.² However, the incidence of cancer salivary glands among our study population (3.2%) was comparatively lower when compared to the global statistics (7.6%). Du et al., stated that from 1990 to 2017, the global incidence for nasopharyngeal cancers decreased dramatically while the incidence for lip and oral cavity cancers and other pharyngeal cancers increased.¹⁶ GLOBOCAN 2018 data shows that nasopharyngeal cancers constitute around 18% of LOCP cancers.² In our study, there were only 4 cases of nasopharyngeal cancer (0.9% of LOCP cancers). Ariyawardana et al conducted a study in Australia where he reported that lip cancer was the most common cancer contributing to 36% of all LOCP cancers.⁵ But there were only 5 cases of lip cancer in our study. (1.1% of LOCP cancer cases). Such low numbers may be attributed to the limited sample size in the study. This may also be attributed higher incidence of personal habits like smoking, alcohol, tobacco chewing and consuming various forms of tobacco like gutka, pan masala and betel nut, which invariably increase the risk of oral cavity and pharyngeal cancers (except nasopharyngeal cancer) whereas have lesser association with lip cancer and nasopharyngeal cancer. It is also noteworthy that there is a steady decline in the prevalence of smoking and tobacco chewing in the developed nations.^{17, 18} This steady decline has been attributed to the decreased incidence of oropharyngeal cancers and increase in other LOCP cancer globally.⁵

Tobacco and alcohol are age old risk factors for LOCP cancers. In our study, nearly 60% cases used tobacco and 47% used alcohol. Worldwide, smoked tobacco is the most common form of tobacco use. Cigarette is the most commonly consumed smoked tobacco. In India however, the usage of bidis is highly prevalent. Similarly, there is an increased use of smokeless tobacco products like gutka, pan masala etc.¹⁹ In our study too, there is a high prevalence of tobacco and there is almost similar usage of smoked and smokeless products of tobacco. Avoiding tobacco and alcohol can prevent up to 80% of oral cancer.¹⁹ Interventions for smoking prevention or cessation are much effective when designed by individual counsellors, physicians, or workplace programmes. National smoke-free programs and policies have public health benefits for both alcohol- and tobacco-related health problems. In our setting, special emphasis should be given to the prevention of smokeless forms of tobacco due to the high prevalence of its usage.

V. CONCLUSION

Our results show a higher proportion of LOCP cancers among all cases in comparison with national and global statistics. Among the LOCP cancers, the subtypes which have a higher association with smoking and tobacco like oral cavity cancer and hypopharyngeal cancer have a higher incidence than those with lesser association like salivary gland tumours and lip tumours. This shows the increased need for awareness among public regarding the ill effects of smoking and alcohol. It also warrants the policy decision from the government to gradually withdraw tobacco and other related products from the market, with special emphasis to the smokeless tobacco products. Moreover, this study encourages to do more hospital-based studies apart from the studies based on registries, so that cancer patterns in each area can be discussed and thus effectively provide specific protection.

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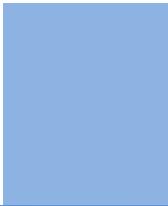
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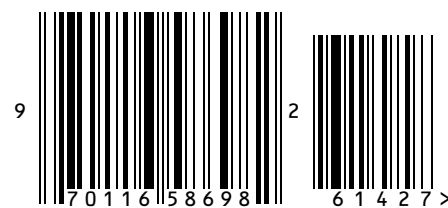
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