

Carcinoma Ex-Pleomorphic Adenoma - A Giant Tumor

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Abstract

Pleomorphic adenoma is one of the most frequent tumors that involve the parotid gland. The tumor constantly increases in dimension if not cured in due time and may become malignant. A case of a patient suffering from a carcinoma ex-pleomorphic adenoma that had a 20-year-evolution and reached impressive dimensions is presented. The tumor holds the second place worldwide among the largest carcinoma ex-pleomorphic adenoma in terms of size and the ninth place worldwide among the most voluminous parotid tumors ever surgically excised, as far as we know. Nevertheless, the regional invading character of the tumor in this particular case has been limited, without generating local lymph node invasion or metastases.

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