**Dentures As Artificial Saliva Reservoirs In The Irradiated Edentulous Cancer Patient With Xerostomia**

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**Abstract:**

Xerostomia, a clinical condition caused by a decrease in the production of saliva may present itself as a local symptom, as part of a systemic disease such as Sjogren’s syndrome, diabetes, alcoholism or as side effects of medications or following therapeutic radiation to the head and neck regions. Edentulous patients suffering from xerostomia may complain of not only dry mouth, but also of difficulty in normal functions like eating, speaking, swallowing, etc. Extreme discomfort in wearing dentures is a common complaint.1