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**Incidence of metopism in Mumbai region of Maharashtra**

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**Abstract:**

Two halves of the frontal bone meets in the midline to form metopic suture. Normally it starts to close in the second year of life and within a short duration, gets completely obliterated. The time of the closure of metopic suture varies from two to eight years and it can persist until adult age. Failure of the closure of two halves of the frontal bone even after the childhood is known as metopism. The present study was undertaken to observe the incidence of Metopism in the human skulls of Mumbai region of Maharashtra. This study was carried out on 100 cases referred to mortuary for post-mortem to Fmt dept, Grant Government Medical college of Mumbai. Metopism was found in 4% of the studied skulls.

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