

Review of: "Italian Position Paper (SIPMO-SICMF) on Medication-Related Osteonecrosis of the Jaw (MRONJ)"

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Dear editor

Thanks for giving me a chance to review this great article.

The article is well written and well organized.

Here are my comments:

1. Introduction section: it will be better if you can add the pathophysiology of the MRONJ with a short brief of the medication descriptions, uses and indication.
2. In the purpose of the paper: its better to mention that the preventive strategies and the treatment algorithms are based on the staging of the MRONJ which making the article differ from the previous versions.
3. Page 6: better to mention the diagnostic criteria for the disease and list of the Differential Diagnosis with the pathognomonic feature of each.
4. Page 7: in paragraph no b; better to mention the average range of years for the uses of DMB and to classify the medication in the next paragraph into high risk and low risk medications.
5. Page 8: in the MRONJ diagnosis section, its better to mention and focus about the value of the medical history which is the key stone of diagnosis and Differential Diagnosis.
6. Page 9: table 1: better to correlate the clinical signs and symptoms with disease stage.
7. Page 10; table 2; better to correlate the radiographic finding with disease stage the most radiographic feature for each stage.
8. Page 11, line 2, selected cases and specific finding like what?
9. Page 11; line 4, dental conditions that could mimic MRONJ like what? Better to mention some of it and how to differentiate it?
10. Page 11, confirmed cases of MRONJ associated with radiologic impairment of the jaw, this paragraph needs to be more precise.
11. Table 5, the explanation of the pathophysiology of the disease will give an idea about the rationale behind the protocol of dental management.
12. Last, in the conclusion section, it's better to mention the take home message of your article.

Again, thanks for giving me the opportunity to review this article



Best regards

Prof. Hegab