

題名:Drug-induced gingival enlargement-a case report

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摘要:BACKGROUND/AIMS: Hereditary gingival fibromatosis is characterized by various degrees of attached gingival overgrowth. It usually develops as an isolated disorder but can be one feature of a syndrome. A case of a 38-year-old female is reported who presented a generalized severe gingival overgrowth, involving the maxillary and mandibular arches and covering almost all teeth. The clinical differential diagnosis included drug-induced overgrowth as well as idiopathic gingival fibromatosis. TREATMENT: Excess gingival tissue was removed by conventional gingivectomy. As the gingival enlargement was generalized to all quadrants, on both sides, the surgery was carried out under general anaesthesia. The postoperative course was uneventful and the patient's appearance improved considerably. Post-surgical follow-up after 20 months demonstrated a slight recurrence. CONCLUSIONS: Hereditary gingival fibromatosis is a rare disorder characterized by the proliferative fibrous overgrowth of the gingival tissue. Resective surgery of the excess tissue is the treatment available. However, recurrence is a common feature.