The Incidence of Postoperative Complication in the Oral Surgery

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The objective of this study was to analyse incidence of postoperative complications in oral surgery in the Faculty of Dentistry Chulalongkorn University. Data obtained from medical records of 7,225 patients visting Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Department during 2000-2002 showed that 891 cases (12.33%) were diagnosed with postoperative complications. The most common complications were pain (28%), swelling (22%) and paresthesia (15%). The second most common were bleeding (8%), trismus (7%), abscess (6%) and dry socket (6%). There was a few cases of oroantral communication (4%), infection (3%), foreign bodies (1%) and retained root (1%). Postoperative pain following surgical removal of impacted or embeded teeth was 62% where as 20% was related to simple extraction. A few cases w

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