

A Rare Case of a Renal Cell Carcinoma Metastasizing to the Mandible as Primary Presentation

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Renal cell carcinoma is a frequent malignancy in adults that rarely metastasizes to the oral and maxillofacial region. A 54-years-old man presented with 3 months-history of gradually progressive swelling of the left-side mandibular body associated with pain. Oral examination revealed a mass in the left mandibular body, measuring approximately 6.0 x 3.5 cm. The head and neck CT showed an intraosseous tumor with lytic destruction of the left mandibular body. The biopsy of the mandible reported a clear cell adenocarcinoma. With the suspicious of a renal cell carcinoma metastasizing to the mandible, an abdominal CT was performed. The abdominal CT showed a tumor of the right kidney measuring 8.0 x 7.0 cm. It should be noted that the patient was completely asymptomatic of the renal tumor at the moment of the diagnosis.

