DENTAL ANESTHESIA





Rr. labiales sup.

N. buccalis



Rr. alveolares sup. ant. et medii

Rr. alveolares sup. post.

N. nasopalatinus

Nn. palatini





N. mentalis

N. buccalis

N. alveolaris inf.

N. lingualis





N. vagus

 Operative procedures require cutting through sensitive structures, producing extreme discomfort and pain

 Pain is a result of stimulation of nociceptors that are receptors preferentially sensitive to a noxious stimulus (Aδ, C fiber aferent axons)

Local anesthetics (LA) cause: reversible block sensory nerve conduction of noxious stimuli from periphery to the CNS The effectiveness of local anesthetics is improved by the addition of a vasoconstrictor:

increase - duration of action
depth of anesthesia

decrease - systemic toxic reactions
local bleeding

To minimize anesthetic failure, the dentist must have a sound knowledge of the anatomy of the head region, particularly the neuroanatomy of the maxillary and mandibular regions of the face !

Onset of action of anesthesia!!!

General Potential Complications

Nerve injury
Injuries to blood vessels
Intraglandular injections
Trauma to muscles
Systematic reactions

1. Nerve Injury

Paresthesia (loss of sensation)
commonly involve the tongue and lower lip

2) Hyperesthesia (increased sensitivity to painful stimuli)

3) Dysesthesia (pain following nonnoxious stimuli)

4) Dysgeusia (impaired sense of taste)

5) Xerostomia (reduced salivation)- the chorda tympani is traumatized

6) Ocular and extraocular symptoms The passive process of diffusion of anesthetic through the orbit leads to ocular and extraocular symptoms:

- paralysis extraocular muscle
- diplopia
- amaurosis (temporary blindness)
- Horner's syndrome (enophthalmos, miosis, palpebral ptosis)

2. Bleeding

Intravascular injection \rightarrow vascular damage \rightarrow hemorrhage with hematoma formation

If the vein is engaged, the bleeding is minimal and is usually evidenced a few day later

Artery damage with significant hematoma formation and extensive intra or extraoral swelling

Potential anesthetizing sympathetic nerve may result vasoconstriction

3. Intraglandular injection

Transient paralysis of the ipsilateral facial muscles - caused by anesthesia of the facial nerve in parotid gland



4. Trauma of muscle

Muscle trismus = spasm of jaw muscles, which restricts mouth opening (temporal and medial pterygoid muscle)

5. Systematic complication Failure of the cardiorespiratory system Anaphylaxis

Type of local anesthesia

I. Local Infiltration

Small nerve endings in the small area of soft tissue or bone are flooded with small amount of local anesthetic solution

II. Nerve Block

The local anesthetic solution is deposed within close proximity to a main peripheral nerve

III. Field blocks Local anesthetic is deposited near a larger nerve trunks

I. Local Infiltration



The needle pervade at a height of insertion of mucobuccal fold to the apex and ...

the anesthetic agent is deposited supraperiostally !





There is different composition of the cortical plate of maxillary and mandibulary alveolar process

<u>Maxilla</u>

Local infiltration is successful in all parts of maxilla – both buccal and lingual

The problem may be only on buccal plate at the 1st molar, which his roots are covered by the zygomatic process \rightarrow the anesthetic usually doesn't diffuse through the bone

<u>Mandible</u> The cortical plate of the mandible is sufficiently dense to preclude effective infiltration anesthesia

Thus, local is infiltration is <u>ineffective</u>, except mandibular incisors (buccal and lingual)





II. Nerve Block

- 1. Posterior superior alveolar PSA
- 2. Middle superior alveolar MSA
- **3.** Anterior superior alveolar ASA
- 4. Infraorbital
- **5.** Greater palatine
- 6. Nasopalatine
- 7. Alveolar inferior (Halstead, Gow-Gates, Akinosi)
- 8. Mental
- 9. Lingual
- 10. Buccal



1. PSA Block

 Anesthetize the pulps and periodontal ligaments of the maxillary molars, corresponding buccal alveolar bone and gingival tissue and posterior portion of the maxillary sinus.
Mesiobuccal root 6 can be innervates by middle superior alveolar nerve !

Technique - between 1st and 2nd molar at a height of insertion of mucobuccal fold, angle at 45° superiorly and medially









2. MSA Block

Anesthetize the maxillary premolars, corresponding buccal alveolar bone and gingival tissue

 Used if the infraorbital block fails to anesthetize premolars

Technique - between 1st and 2nd premolar at a height of insertion of mucobuccal fold

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3. ASA Block

Anesthetize the canine, incisors, corresponding buccal alveolar bone and gingival tissue

Technique - the area of lateral incisor at a height of insertion of mucobuccal fold

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4. Infraorbital Nerve Block

Combinate ASA and MSA block

Anesthetize the maxillary premolars, canine, incisors, corresponding buccal alveolar bone and gingiva, also the terminal branches of infraorbital nerve (lower eyelid, external nose tissue, upper lip, the anterior aspect of the maxillary sinus)

Technique - palpate infraorbital foramen \rightarrow retract the upper lip \rightarrow inject to area of 3/4 \rightarrow contact bone in infraorbital region \rightarrow inject 0,9 -1,2ml



5. Greater Palatine Nerve Block

Anesthetize all palatal mucosa of the side injected and lingual gingivae posterior to the maxillary canines and corresponding bone

Technique - on the hard palate between the 2nd and 3rd molars approximately 1cm medially, inject cca 0,3 - 0,5ml





6. Nasopalatine Nerve Block

 Anesthetize the soft and hard tissue of the maxillary anterior six teeth - from canine one side to canine other side

Technique - approximately 1,5 cm posterior to the alveolar crest between the central incisors - posterior to the incisive papilla; depth less than 10mm and inject 0,3 - 0,5 ml





7. Inferior Alveolar Nerve Block

 Individual variations in the locations of the mandibular foramen

Be aware of the proximal extremity of the maxillary artery. Aspiration !

a) Halstead methodb) Gow-Gates methodc) Akinosi method

a) Halstead Open-Mouth method

The finger in the retromolar fossa with the fingernail poiting backward

A line is sighted from occlusal surfaces of the premolars of the opposite side to the midpoint of the fingernail

Inject 0,5 - 1ml solution

Continue to inject 0,5ml on removal from injection site to anesthetize the lingual branch








 Inject remaining anesthetic into coronoid notch region in the mucous membrane distal and buccal to most distal molar to perform a long buccal nerve block

b) Gow-Gates method

- Field block anesthesia
- The injection site is higher than Halstead

Below the insertion of the lateral pterygoid muscle at the anterior side of the condyle at maximal opening in relatively avascular area

The injection line is parralel with the external line from the intertragal notch to the angle of the mouth The diffusion of the anesthetic solution reach all three oral sensory portion of mandibular branch
V.n. and other sensory nerves in this region

High success rate, fewer complication x slower rate of onset





c) Vazirani-Akinosi closed mouth method

Field block anesthesia

For patient with limited opening due trismus, ankylosis, fracture

The gingival margin above the maxillary 2nd and 3rd molars and the pterygomandibular raphae serve as landmarks for this technique The needle is advanced through the mucous membrane and buccinator muscle to enter the pterygomandibular space

Penetrate to a depht 25mm

 Remaining anesthetic in long buccal nerve area



8. Mental Nerve Block

 Terminal branch of the inferior alveolar nerve, exits the mandible via the mental foramen

 The position of this foramen is most frequently near the apex of the mandibular 2nd premolar

The foramen open upward and slightly posteriorly!

Anesthetized lower lip, chin, labial gingiva, alveolar mucosa, pulpal/periodontal tissue for the canine, incisors and premolars on side blocked

Technique

The tip of needle be directed or anterior to approximate the position of the foramen, but **not** enter the foramen!

Penetrate to a depth 5 mm, inject 0,5 - 1,0 ml To provide incisive nerve anesthesia via the application of finger pressure over the foramen after local anesthetic solution is deposited there







9. Lingual Nerve Block

 Nerve passes from the infratemporal fossa into the floor of the mouth, in the vicinity of the 2nd and 3rd molars, is quite vulnerable

Is anesthetizes during the inferior alveolar nerve block or with a bolus of anesthetic solution injected after an inferior alveolar nerve block

Anesthetized anterior ²/₃ of the tongue, lingual gingiva and adjacent mucosa





10. Buccal Nerve Block

 Arises in the infratemporal fossa and crosses the anterior border of the ramus to give multiple branches

Supplies buccal gingiva and mucosa of the mandible for a variable length, from the vicinity of the 3th molar to the canine Technique - anterior ramus of the mandible at the level of the mandibular molar occlusal plane in the vicinity of the retromolar fossa







Alternative delivery methods

Intraosseous injection
Intraligamentary injection
Intrapulpal injection
Topical anesthetic patches

1. Intraosseous Injection

Involves the placement of anesthetic solution directly into the cancellous bone adjacent to the tooth to be anesthetized, and allows for rapid onset of profound pulpal anesthesia

The site of injection involves the attached gingiva 2mm apical to the gingival margin and interproximal relative to the teeth

Provide anesthesia of a single tooth or multiple teeth in a quadrant





The first step - to drill a small hole through the soft tissue and cortical bone to a depth of 5 – 8mm

The second step inserting a needle to the same depth and manually injected the desired volume of anesthetic solution into the cancellous bone

2. Intraligamentary Injection

Is occasionally used as the sole technique for anesthesing a single tooth

The needle is inserted, directly along the long axis and as apically as possible, through the gingival sulcus and into the periodontal ligament between the tooth and the alveolar bone

Slowly injected approximately 0,2ml of anesthetic solution under pressure to control the pain of the associated tooth



Contraindication:

deciduous teethperiodontal infection

3. Intrapulpal Injection

When pulp chamber has been exposed and treatment can't proceed

Technique - a small needle is insetred into the pulp chamber until resistance is encountered \rightarrow injected under the pressure

As the injection is startes there will be a brief moment of intense discomfort



4. Topical anesthetic patches

Be indicated to minimize the sensation of needle insertion or for very brief relief from painful mucosal lesions

 A bioadhesive patch impregnated with 10% or 20% lidocaine

Typically, is used to anesthetize only the outer
1-3 mm of mucosa, not deeper structures





Pterygomandibular Raphe





