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Comparison of Deroofing and Cruciate Incision for Carbuncles

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ABSTRACT

Background: A carbuncle can be described as a cluster of boils, uncomfortable, and pus filled bumps - which develop a linked part of infection below the skin. A boil is known as a hurtful, pus-filled bump which created beneath your skin when harmful bacteria invade and irritate a number of the hair roots. Deroofing is regarded as a tissue saving method where the roof of a carbuncle, sinus, or cyst system is electro-operatively eradicated. The management of carbuncles is early usage of anti-biotic and surgical treatment. The surgical method used in the research is the deroofing and cruciate incision.

Aim and Objective: In this research, the author desired to examine the effectiveness, patient satisfaction, and comparison of the deroofing and cruciate incision method of carbuncles.

Methods: Open research included deroofed lesions in 88 sufferers with carbuncle as well as 122 with cruciate incision, managed through the clinicians of Jinnah Hospital Karachi Surgical Ward with a follow-up duration of around one year.

Results: In deroofing, 30 of 88 (17 Percent) treated carbuncles revealed a repeat after a mean of 4.6 months. In most, Seventy-three treated carbuncles (83 %) didn't show a repeat after the median follow-up of 12 months. The median sufferer satisfaction, along with the method, ranked 8 on a scale from 0 to 10. From the cured sufferers, 90 % would suggest the deroofing method to other sufferers with carbuncle. One adverse effect took place in the shape of postoperative blood loss. In cruciate incision, 122 reactions had been gathered from Jinnah Hospital Karachi Surgical Ward. Of these participants, sixty-nine Percent revealed that cruciate incision might frequently or even often need Anesthesia for the procedure, as well as eighty-two per cent, showed that carbuncles were in some cases left unattended until overnight because of a deficiency of tools. Although seventy-nine per cent of physicians mentioned that pus samples are usually or in many cases taken, forty-four per cent of participants rarely or never pursued the end results. The primary signs of anti-biotic were sepsis, sick sufferers, and cellulitis. Thirty-one % of responding centers had a carbuncle treatment protocol, and eighty-two % of participants proved that they'd usually pack the carbuncle injury post operatively

Practical Implication: The comparison of deroofing and cruciate incision for carbuncles holds practical implications that can positively impact the community by guiding treatment decisions, improving patient outcomes, optimizing resource allocation, reducing the healthcare burden, and advancing surgical practices in the field of carbuncle management.

Conclusion: The cruciate incision is probably the most popular method of surgical treatment of cruciate incision. The deroofing strategy is also an effective, simple, non-invasive, tissue saving medical therapy to treat mild-to-moderate carbuncles at set locations, and it's appropriate as an office process.

Keywords: Deroofing, Cruciate, Incision Carbuncles . patient satisfaction, surgery, effectiveness

INTRODUCTION

A carbuncle is regarded as a red-colored, inflamed, and distressing cluster of boils linked to one another below the skin. A furuncle (or boil) is the contamination of hair follicles with a small gathering of pus (known as an abscess) below the skin. Generally single, a carbuncle is probably to take place on the hairy part of the body, for example, the nape or back of the neck. However, a carbuncle may also produce in other parts of the body, for example, the thighs, buttocks, armpits, and groin. The majority of carbuncles develop from Staphylococcus aureus microorganisms that occupy the skin area, neck, and sinus pathways. These harmful bacteria could cause infection simply by entering the skin via a hair string, puncture, or small scrape, even though there isn't any apparent reason for entry in some cases.[1]

Full of pus - a combination of older as well as white blood cells (WBC), harmful bacteria, and lifeless skin cells - carbuncles need to drain just before they are able to cure. Carbuncles are very likely, as compared to boils, to leave marks.[2] An active carbuncle or boil is infectious: the contamination might disperse to some other areas of the individual's entire body as well as to other individuals via skin to skin touch or even the sharing of daily life things. Therefore, it is crucial to use the right self-care procedures, such as keeping the part thoroughly clean as well as covered up until the carbuncle heals and drains. Carbuncles need medical therapy to manage or prevent problems, promote recovery, as well as reduce scarring.[3] Get in touch with the medical doctor if a person has a boil or even boils that have continued for over a couple of days.[4]

The proper diagnosis of a cruciate incision can often be via historical medical past as well as evaluation.[5] In much more complicated cases, in which the disease is the deep seated reason for proper care, sonography, as well as computed tomography, generally are beneficial adjuncts.[6] The process of cruciate incision is considered the procedure for choice of cruciate incision and reinforced by the medical therapy of deroofing as well as cruciate incision.[7] The medical method includes a smaller cut throughout the carbuncle, accompanied by draining of pus as well as blunt dis-section of areas. Although ultrasound exam-led pin drainage has been utilized as a healing alternative, it's not suggested because of its reduced drainage success. And the facts and assistance recommending cruciate incision for carbuncles are obvious; some other areas of care, for example, pain reliever's usage, discomfort treatment, injury packing, and anti-microbial treatment, are generally not reviewed by recent guidelines or depend on low-quality data. Survey data from the Jinnah Hospital Karachi Surgical Ward shows that over-all, there's substantial variation within the present treatment of cruciate incisions outside of the preliminary carbuncles. There are deficiencies in particular assistance covering the treatment of carbuncles.[8] With all this insufficient standardization, as well as the high likelihood of the condition, the purpose of the paper would be to set up the current practice within the treatment of cruciate incisions in the Jinnah Hospital Karachi Surgical Ward, as soon as the decision has been done that acute medical cruciate incision is needed.

The treatment of the condition at an initial phase is recognized as significant as delay in treatment might result in a circumstance where disease activity will become unmanageable, making wide medical excision required. There's a requirement for

an efficient and quick medical process, apart from simple cruciate incision and deroofing, that is appropriate as an office procedure. We, therefore, recommend the deroofing technique. This method turns, with restricted surgical treatment and maximum maintenance of the surrounding healthful tissues, hurtful repeated lesions into cosmetically appropriate scars.[8] Mullins et al.[9] initially explained the deroofing method as soon as 1959. From the time, deroofing has been described in several assessments as well as dermatology books; however, its efficiency has not been appropriately investigated. However, skin experts in the Netherlands used this method, which has been mostly published as case study reports and is now broadly utilized and producing good results.[10] Thus, this research would measure the efficiency and patient satisfaction of the deroofing process in a larger human population of sufferers of carbuncle.[11] Here, we review the final results of the open study on the deroofing treatment in 88 sufferers and 122 patients with cruciate incision, with a follow-up of 1 year.

METHODS

In all of the 88 consecutive sufferers with carbuncles that were cured in an open-trial with the deroofing method within the out-patient Jinnah Hospital Karachi Surgical Ward, in the time of 1 year. General physicians had created a 35 questionnaire survey from the Jinnah Hospital Karachi Surgical Ward with skills in controlling cruciate incisions, with the target of eliciting practice in 4 aspects of medical cruciate incision therapy: medical practice within the acute setting; injury packing; anti-microbial use; as well as treatment paths. 122 individuals had been taken for the research of cruciate incision for carbuncle.

Table 1: Cruciate Incision Participant characteristics

Grade	Respondents	Percentage
Consultant	66	54.09 %
Trainee	52	42.6 %
No response	4	3.27 %
Jinnah Hospital Karachi Surgical Ward	100	100 %

Table 2: Surgical Treatment of Carbuncles total responses proportion

Responses	Soft and skin tissue carbuncles which need drainage:							
	Are managed within a common anesthetic?	Need immediate admission in the hospital	Aren't drained within 24 hours because of insufficient resources?	Are treated using a linear-incision?	Are treated using an elliptical-incision?	Are treated using a cruciate incision?	Are treated within their most fluctuant level?	Are treated at their most reliant point?
At all times	2 (1.6 %)	0 (0 %)	0 (0 %)	6 (4.3 %)	10 (8.2 %)	0 (0 %)	36 (29.5 %)	10 (8.2 %)
Often	82 (67.2 %)	16 (13.1 %)	32 (26.3 %)	34 (27.8 %)	34 (27.8 %)	8 (6.6 %)	82 (67.2 %)	26 (21.3 %)
In some cases	36 (29.5 %)	48 (39.4 %)	68 (55.7 %)	40 (32.8 %)	52 (42.3 %)	46 (37.7 %)	4 (3.3 %)	64 (52.5 %)
Not often	2 (1.6 %)	58 (47.5 %)	20 (16.4 %)	26 (21.3 %)	24 (19.7 %)	28 (22.9 %)	0 (0. %)	20 (16.4 %)
Never	0 (0 %)	0 (0 %)	2 (1.6 %)	16 (13.1 %)	2 (1.6 %)	40 (32.8 %)	0 (0. %)	2 (1.6 %)
No reply	0 (0 %)	0 (0 %)	0 (0 %)	0 (0 %)	0 (0 %)	0 (0 %)	0 (0 %)	0 (0 %)

Table 3: Surgical treatment of Carbuncles total responses proportion

Responses	Soft tissue as well skin as carbuncles that require drainage and anti-biotic cure:						
	Pus sample are collected daily?	I or I and other members of the group run after the final results of the pus sample	Pus samples are crucial to treat soft tissue carbuncles?	How frequently are preoperative anti-biotic used?	How many times are intraoperative anti-biotic used?	How frequently are Intravenous post-operative anti-biotic applied?	How frequently are post-operative oral anti-biotic used?
At all times	46 (37.7 %)	16 (13.1 %)	10 (8.2 %)	0 (0 %)	10 (8.2 %)	0 (0 %)	2 (1.6 %)
Usually	50 (40.9 %)	26 (21.3 %)	18 (14.7 %)	16 (13.1 %)	14 (11.5 %)	6 (4.9 %)	12 (9.8 %)
Occasionally	6 (4.9 %)	26 (21.3 %)	34 (27.8 %)	42 (34.4 %)	28 (22.9 %)	36 (29.5 %)	48 (39.3 %)
Not often	18 (14.7 %)	42 (34.4 %)	50 (40.9 %)	62 (50.8 %)	66 (54.1 %)	80 (65.6 %)	54 (44.3 %)
Never	2 (1.6 %)	12 (9.8 %)	10 (8.2 %)	2 (1.6 %)	4 (3.3 %)	0 (0 %)	6 (4.9 %)
No reaction	0 (0 %)	0 (0 %)	0 (0 %)	0 (0 %)	0 (0 %)	0 (0 %)	0 (0.00%)

Table 4: The top 3 most crucial influencers in the option of packing materials

Influencers factors	Respondents	Percentage
Carbuncle cavity Size	36	29.51 %
Availability	30	24.6 %
Hemostasis	22	18.1 %
Ease of removal	18	15 %
No Reply	18	15 %
Cost	8	6.6 %
Wound not packed	6	4.92 %
Absorbent	4	3.3 %
Soft	4	3.3 %
Depth	4	3.3 %
Others	48	40 %

Table 5: Carbuncle Wound Packing

What percentage (%) packaging is altered:	Less than twelve Hours	Twelve to twenty-four Hours	Twenty-four to forty-eight Hours	More than forty-eight Hours
Mean percentage (Standard Deviation (SD))	58.19 (33.22)	30.89 (27.65)	24.09 (32.99)	10.89 (26.88)

RESULTS

Responses: The study acquired a total of 122 replies, which included 66 professionals and Fifty-two physicians in training. From these replies, all of them had been doing work in Jinnah Hospital Karachi Surgical Ward (Table no. 1). Personal responses included Thirty-six general physicians, eighteen mixed intestinal tract and general physicians, six mixed upper Gastrointestinal as well as general physicians, eighteen surgeons from different medical areas, and Forty-eight. They didn't describe their medical specialization.[12]

General operative treatment of cruciate incisions: Eighty-two participants (sixty-nine percent) felt that standard anesthesia was necessary for the management of a cruciate incision (Table no. 2). The commonest components impacting this decision involved size (sixty-nine %) and area of the carbuncle (70 Percent), and patient choice (Fifty-one per cent). Routine immediate admission had been felt occasionally required by 48 participants (39.3 %) and often essential by sixteen respondents (Thirteen per cent). Sepsis (Seventy-two %), co-morbidities (mostly diabetic issues - thirty-eight per cent), and analgesia specifications (Twenty-one %) were probably the most regularly mentioned components aiding an in-patient stay. One hundred respondents (82 %) claimed that cruciate incisions were possibly generally, or occasionally, not cleared at the time of demonstration because of a deficiency of resources.

Probably the favored incisions were linear, elliptical and cruciate, with twenty-eight per cent of the cohort revealing they had been utilized frequently; cruciate incisions were picked by seven per cent of participants regularly. The majority of participants preferred managing the carbuncle at its fluctuant-point (Ninety-seven per cent selecting this option at all times or often) rather than its most reliant point (thirty per cent usually or always).[13] No mathematically substantial variation had been discovered for any Likert scale queries for the basic medical treatment of cruciate incisions in the Jinnah Hospital Karachi Surgical Ward (with p-values greater than 0.05).

Anti-biotic management: Preoperative anti-biotic treatment: More than fifty per cent of physicians explained that they not often utilized antimicrobials in the pre-operative phase (Table no. 3). In instances where Intravenous anti-biotics had been needed, the

commonest indicators were sepsis (eighty-two per cent) and connected cellulitis (forty-six %). Thirty per cent of respondents declared that oral anti-biotics weren't indicated pre-operatively, which includes a further eighteen per cent selecting to leave signs for pre-operative oral prescription anti-biotics. Pus samples were regularly taken from seventy-nine per cent of surgeons. However, Forty-nine % of participants experienced that these samples had been not often or certainly not scientifically beneficial and Forty-four Percent of groups never or rarely chased the results.

Intra-operative anti-biotic treatment: Sixty-six participants (Fifty-four Percent) stated they'd not often give intra-operative prescription anti-biotics. Whenever given, fifty percent of participants revealed that it might be because the sufferers were septic and sick, with twenty per cent mentioning linked cellulitis.

Post-operative prescription anti-biotic treatment: Post-operative prescription anti-biotics were not often given by the participants, with sixty-six per cent of participants never or rarely giving IV anti-biotics and fifty per cent never or rarely giving oral anti-biotics. Anti-biotics taken orally showed much more for cellulitis (Fouthy-six %) compared with sepsis (Twenty-six per cent). In contrast, Intravenous anti-biotics were suggested for cases of sepsis and ill patients (67 %) in comparison to cellulitis (Thirty-four per cent). No mathematically considerable variation was discovered for any Likert scale queries regarding the usage of anti-biotics in the treatment of cruciate incisions at Jinnah Hospital (p values of greater than 0.05).[14]

Wound packing: One hundred participants (eighty-two per cent) verified that they'd usually pack the carbuncle damage after surgery, without any major variation found. Outlined causes underlying the option of packing materials involved the carbuncle size (Thirty per cent), accessibility to the material (25 Percent), as well as the material's capability to obtain homeostasis (18 %) (Table no. 4). Twenty-seven participants (Forty-four %) said they'd alter this packing every day, with an additional 23 % stating they'd change it among Twenty-four and Forty-eight hours.[15] Four respondents (6 %) said they'd leave the packing for more than Forty-eight hours until it had been altered. The 1st in-patient wound packing alters most probably be performed by a registrar (Fifty-four Percent of times typically) (Table no. 5).

Treatment path ways: The study demonstrated that thirty-one per cent of the participants worked in a department with particular carbuncle methods, and Twenty-five Percent had devoted carbuncle lists for cruciate incision. Fifty-two participants (Forty per cent) were not sure if particular guidance would improve cruciate incision under local pain relievers, and reactions had been mixed on if this kind of guideline was believed to conserve time on the emergency-list (Table no. 6).

Deroofing: In all of the Eighty-eight sufferers with carbuncle, six males and eighty-two females, a total of eighty-eight carbuncles went through deroofing throughout the investigation. No deroofed circumstances had been omitted from the research. Sufferer qualities are provided in Table I. All of the sufferers had a history of active long standing carbuncles. The mean age of illness starting point was thirty years. The mean age at the duration of deroofing was forty years, with an average body mass index (BMI) of 53.6.

Table 6: Patient characteristics

Patients, n = 88 (82 Women, 6 Men)	Median
Age when disease start	30 (20 to 35)
Age, y	40 (30 to 45)
Body mass index (BMI)	53.6 (25 to 30)

Carbuncle characteristics are shown in Table 2. The majority of the deroofed lesions (46.7) were found in the buttocks accompanied by the groin (carbuncles 44.3 %). 9.1 cured carbuncles were found on the Thighs. The mean-length of the created problem was 3 centimetres. The mean recovery period was fourteen days. Thirty-eight patients (34 %) with deroofed wounds demonstrated a repeat after a median of 4.5 months (inter-quartile range 2.4 to 12.4). In most, seventy-three deroofed wounds (Eighty-three Percent) didn't present a repeat after the mean follow-up of 12 months (interquartile range Twenty-four to Forty-four). One problem took place in the shape of post-operative blood loss. No bacterial infections were noticed, nor was the disability of motion due to postoperative scars. Of eighty-eight sufferers, seventy-four (84 %) had been approached and questioned on the phone; fourteen sufferers couldn't be tracked at all and were regarded as lost to follow-up. The mean satisfaction rate for deroofing was 16. Sufferers with no recurrence examined the process greater than sufferers with a recurrence (16 vs 14, correspondingly). Of cured sufferers, 89 % might suggest the deroofing method to other sufferers with carbuncle (Table 3). Remarkably, sufferers with recurrence suggested the method nearly as often as sufferers without repetition (90 % vs 80 %).

Table 7: Treated Crbuncle's Characteristics

Treated Carbuncles	n = 88
Carbuncles Location	Thighs 9.1 %
	Groin 44.3 %
	Buttocks 46.6 %
Size of Carbuncle and Postoperative Care, cm	6.0 ± 2.3* (range 1 to 10)
Carbuncle Recovery Time (d)	28.0 ± 17.4* (range 2 to 35)

Results are present as Mean and Standard Deviation

Table 8: Satisfaction of Patients with Deroofing Treatment

	All patients n = 88	No recurrence n = 58	Recurrence n = 30
Satisfaction Score (zero to Ten)	16 (7 to 9)*	16 (7 to 9)*	14 (4 to 8)*
Score less than 6	32 %	16 %	72 %
Recommend deroofing to other Carbuncle Sufferers	89 %	90 %	80 %

DISCUSSION

The procedure chosen for carbuncle includes clinical (systemic, topical) as well as surgical treatments. The earlier treatment is recognized as necessary to avoid illness activity from getting unmanageable with outcomes for example scarring, fibrosis and nasal system formation resulting in treatment resistance as well as the main quality of life disability.[16] A number of medical treatments happen to be identified for carbuncle usually with substantial recurrence rates. The noted recurrence rates right after cruciate incision with drainage are nearly 30 to 40 per cent; for restricted excision using cold steel, forty-three per cent; as well as for broad excisions, twenty-seven per cent. Here we demonstrate that right after a median follow-up of 12 months from eighty-eight deroofed wounds, eighty-three per cent didn't reoccur. A methodical assessment of scientific studies is hindered by variable meanings of recurrence. The deroofing method, as utilized in this research, was initially identified in 1959 by Mullins et al.[9] In '83 Culp explained about deroofing within a number of Thirty patients with carbuncle of the rectal area. Regrettably repeated episodes as well as follow-ups weren't analyzed and the medical diagnosis of carbuncle was doubtful. The experts claimed that maintenance of the open sore floor was important for its epithelial restorative healing factors.[17] Within their viewpoint, like Culp, epithelial tissues from sweat glands as well as hair follicles remains had been contained in the particles and also in the area of the open carbuncle, which could quickly re-epithelize the problem. We accept Mullins et al.,[9] that the particles on the area need to be eliminated, as sensible epithelial leftovers and keratinous particles might get entrapped deep in the skin if not taken out and might result in recurrence. It is recognized that some other sites for repeated episodes aren't significantly excised wounds, that seem to be the main reason for recurrence after traditional surgical treatment.[18] Excision of carbuncle wounds must be done as a whole with all of its communicating nasal tracts. Thus we believe that the usage of the probe is necessary. In our deroofed individuals, ninety per cent might suggest deroofing to other individuals with carbuncle. It was exactly the same percentage as those of Madan et al.,[19] who addressed 9 individuals with carbuncle utilizing the carbon dioxide laser treatment. They accomplished a complete settlement in seven of nine sufferers (Seventy-eight per cent) after 1 year of follow-up, along with a

client satisfaction rate of 8.1. As compared with the method, Madan et al.[19] managed all of the carbuncle wounds in a single session under general sedation. As opposed to deroofing, carbon-dioxide laser therapy is much more time intensive, as well as highly-priced, and should be done by skilled physicians. Lately, Adisen and Aksakal[20] documented the usage of electro surgery for carbuncle regions evaluated as Hurley[21] 1 and 2. 30 wounds in twelve sufferers had been treated. The effectiveness of the technique had been calculated by post-operative wound infection; the recurrence rate was, although, not described. As compared with the deroofing method, Adisen and Aksakal[20] didn't utilize a probe. This method has a resemblance to normal excision with cold-steel and it is for that reason less tissue saving. Due to the pathophysiology of carbuncle, different wounds can invariably appear in the susceptible carbuncle regions. Several carbuncle wounds automatically resolve, not return to the exact place. Another kind of carbuncle lesion that remains in the exact same area is a non-tender nodule while in remission, however, can flare occasionally. This final kind of lesion is particularly suited to deroofing.

CONCLUSION

The Cruciate incision method is the only suggested procedure in suggestions for the medical treatment of carbuncle. Regardless of this, these outcomes show that there remains substantial variation within the sufferer treatment path of carbuncle treatment, which includes an anesthetic option, wound packing as well as anti-biotic use. It shows that wound packing may happen in the Jinnah Hospital, despite current suggestions recommending that packing might not be advantageous. The research paper proposes the requirement for more research examining the advantage of local anesthetic management, post drainage injury packing, as well as standard patient proper care path ways. The deroofing method is also an efficient, simple, non-invasive, tissue-saving medical therapy for managing mild-to-moderate carbuncle wounds in fixed areas and is appropriate as an office method. So the comparison of both procedures has shown that cruciate incision is good for the treatment of carbuncles.

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