

Overcoming Challenges in Doing Research in ASEAN Countries

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Orofacial pain research and management is within the domain of Dentistry for nearly a century but still is one of the much-debated issues in the field. Currently, the better understanding of orofacial pain's incidence, etiology, co-morbidities and investigations, which are highly important factors in managing chronic pain cases, suggests a number of new effective medical and dental approaches to safely treat this group of patients. Moreover, the field of orofacial pain is undergoing a major transformation as a result of current research findings about pain in general. As a result, many chronic orofacial pain conditions commonly found in dental practice are currently recognized as a subset of chronic pain conditions, and this requires a medical or psychosocial perspective to understand and manage. This presentation will provide the current topic of orofacial pain research and its management in the multidisciplinary setting.