## OESO Newsletter - September 2020

Message to the members of OESO, and to all those who have interest in Esophagology



Saturday, October 3, 2020

Hosted by Russel White and Michael Mwachiro

From Tenwek Hospital (Bomet, Kenya)

Multidisciplinary Panel for discussion: **Matthew Read** (Melbourne) – **Kumwinder Dua** (Milwaukee)

- Time: **7-9 am EAT** (East African Time, GMT+3)
- Zoom technology applied
- Zones in a comfortable time to connect to the meeting:
  Africa North America Asia Australia Europe



An unusual case of a 6 year old female involving a foreign body lodged in the esophagus for an extended period of time. The case required a multidisciplinary approach between surgeons and endoscopists to provide appropriate initial care for the patient, and for the complications which arose.

The patient complained of a persistent cough of at least three months duration. She had a chest radiograph performed which revealed the presence of a foreign body in the oesophagus at the level of the tracheal carina. Neither she nor her mother recalled the incident of ingesting the foreign body. The child was able to tolerate a normal diet without difficulty. She did not appear to be in any significant distress, but did have a persistent cough.

Upper GI endoscopy revealed a metallic foreign body, firmly wedged in the mid-esophagus. There appeared also to be a trachea-esophageal fistula present in the anterior surface of the

esophagus.

Discussion points, with a panel of experts:

- What would you do with this patient?
- What would be your therapeutic strategy?
- How would you proceed surgically?

Registration mandatory on the OESO website.

Free registration

Eleven (11) Pilot Centers worldwide are currently listed in the network of the OESO-SEMPIRE Platform of Excellence in Esophagology to take part in the program of the **OESO Virtual Educational Channel** in Esophagology.

Such a program is in line with true multi-disciplinarity, the essence of OESO since its creation, and of the mission defined by UNESCO in the **Chair of Digital Education** attributed in 2018, in the University of Geneva, to the OESO Foundation.



The first two "staff meeting discussions" were organized on May 28 (Pilot Center of Milan) and July 22 (Pilot Center of Stanford).

- · Wherever you are in the world,
- Whatever your specialty,
- Whatever your level,

the third clinical case of the OESO-SEMPIRE Platform will offer to you the opportunity to participate in a global staff meeting dedicated to a challenging clinical case of esophagology. It will involve specialists from various disciplines and participants connected to the discussions from any country.

Looking forward to seeing you soon!

**Robert Giuli,** MD, FACS Professor of Surgery Founder & Deputy Executive Director of OESO

The clinical cases to be discussed later on will be proposed by the Pilot Centers of

- Beijing (China) October 29, 2020
- Geneva (Switzerland) December 2020

Details and time of these discussions will be announced on the OESO website and in future Newsletters

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