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## Enhancing interdisciplinary communication

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Dentists can play key roles in identifying, diagnosing and suggesting treatment plans for several serious diseases. Results of interviews with dentists, final year BDS students and two patients on treatment for systemic lupus erythematosus indicated that many dental practitioners and students are unaware of the critical oral manifestations of some of the life threatening illnesses. This study aims to raise awareness among practicing dentists, dental surgeons, hygienists and students about the symptoms of diseases, such as severe alveolar bone loss, mouth ulcers, burning sensation of oral mucosa, lingual varicosity, dry mouth, oral lichen planus, atrophic glossitis, squamous cell carcinoma and many more. The poster will show that timely identification will not only help early diagnosis, but also lead to prompt treatment.

## Biography

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