

Conference Abstract

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Cheiloscopy: A diagnostic factor for person identification and gender discrimination**Yashwanth M, Dr. Asha K R**

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Background: Identification of human being poses difficulty for scientists and is based upon scientific principles. Finger prints, dental data, anthropometry & DNA analysis are the tools used for identification purposes. The novel tool in the field of personal identity is, cheiloscopy. Cheiloscopy is derived from Greek word "Cheilos" which means lips. It is the study of characteristic pattern of elevations and depressions on labial mucosa. It is unique for every individual like fingerprints and hence can be used to determine the gender and for personal identity.

Aim: To evaluate the uniqueness of lip prints for gender and personal identification of an individual.

Materials and methods: The present study was approved Institutional Ethical Committee. The present study was conducted on 94 First year medical students from Siddaganga Medical College and Research Institute. Materials used for study were lipstick (A bright red color of a standard brand), brush, cellophane tape, bond paper and magnifying lens. Students with sensitivity to lipstick, presence of inflammatory lip disease, evidence of trauma to the lips, malformation, deformity and scarring over lips and cleft lip were excluded from study. After obtaining informed consent, the lips were cleaned using a cleanser. Then the subject is requested to separate the lips while maintaining distance between two lips and uniform application of lipstick was done using a lip brush. Now both the lips of the subject were gently rubbed together uniformly. The lip colour is permitted to dry approximately for 2-3 min. Then, lip designs were drafted on a piece of white bond paper. Lip prints will be classified according to Suzuki and Tsuchihashi's classification. Data will be analyzed using IBM SPSS (version 16) for statistical analysis.

Results and conclusion: Shall be discussed during the presentation.

Keywords: Cheiloscopy, Personal identification, Suzuki and Tsuchihashi's classification.