

PSC3: The Application of Open-Source 3D Planning Software in Virtual Reconstruction of Complex Maxillofacial Defects: Our Local Experience

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OBJECTIVE: To present our in-house 3D planning protocol using open-source computer-aided design (CAD) software and demonstrate its applications in various craniomaxillofacial defects and reconstruction

METHODS

Study Design:	Case Series
Setting:	Tertiary Private Hospital
Patient:	Ten (10)

RESULTS: A total of 10 patients were included. 1 cranial, 1 orbital, 1 maxillary, and 7 mandibular defects were surgically reconstructed aided by our in-house 3D planning protocol. A decreasing trend in intraoperative time was noted on 4 patients who underwent mandibular reconstruction using fibular free flap. Likewise, all resulted to good functional and aesthetic outcomes with no complications noted post-op.

CONCLUSION: Our 3D planning protocol using open-source CAD applications may be a good alternative to its professional and expensive counterparts. Additional prospective studies should be done to better demonstrate its benefits in terms of accuracy and decreasing intraoperative time of craniomaxillofacial surgeries.

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