ON FACIAL BURNS

Epidemiology, treatment
and psychosocial impact

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The face is a central aspect of identity and one of our most expressive means of communication. These and other functions can be compromised as a result of a facial burn. Despite major improvements in burn care in the 20th century, scar formation remains a problematic consequence of burns and may be a factor that influences psychosocial adjustment, especially in the case of facial scarring. This thesis contains an extensive overview of the trajectory of facial burns, including the epidemiology, treatment and psychosocial impact of facial burns.