LYMPHOEDEMA: LYMPHOSCINTIGRAPHY VERSUS OTHER DIAGNOSTIC TECHNIQUES - A CLINICIAN’S POINT OF VIEW

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The presentation overviews the problem of clinical basis, diagnosis and available therapy modalities for lymphoedema. Regarding diagnostics the measurement of circumference, volume and thickness of the limb are presented, as well as diagnostic imaging modalities. These include direct and indirect lymphography, MRI, CT, ultrasound imaging and lymphoscintigraphy, which are currently considered to be a leading technique in the primary diagnosis of lymphoedema and its follow-up. The paper discusses treatment of lymphoedema and the role of lymphoscintigraphy in the follow-up in patents with lymphoedema.