A Cephalometric Analysis of Hemifacial Microsomia

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Objective: The purpose of the present study was to analyze the facial asymmetry systematically using the cephalometric method, so as to demonstrate the difference on both sides of Hemifacial microsomia (HFM) in adult.

Alteration of the Methylation Status of Urokinase Plasminogen Activator (uPA) is involved in Proliferation and Invasion of Nasopharyngeal Cancer Cells

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The extracellular matrix degradation is the most important step in the process of tumor cell metastasis. Urokinase-type plasminogen activator (uPA) can catalyzes the conversion of the inactive zymogen plasminogen to the active broad-spectrum plasmin, which degrades a number of matrix proteins and also activates other proteases, including some matrix metalloproteinases.

Risk Factors for Asthma Hospitalization among Adults and Elderly

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Joint effect of biological (pollen) and chemical air pollutants on asthma emergency room (ER) visits was analyzed for
Szeged region of Southern Hungary. Our database of a nine-year period (1999-2007) includes daily number of asthma emergency room (ER) visits, and daily mean concentrations of CO, PM10, NO, NO2, O3 and SO2, furthermore two pollen variables (Ambrosia and ...