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Question 1. Regarding the anatomical aspect of lipomas in the hand:
   a) Thick, deep central palmar fascia accounts for the central location of lipomas.
   b) Lipomas in Guyon’s canal affect the radial nerve.
   c) Lipomas in the carpal tunnel affect the ulnar nerve.
   d) Tinel’s sign is distal paraesthesia secondary to tapping on the tumour.

Question 2. Regarding the clinical course of lipomas in the hand:
   a) The incidence of lipomas in the hands and fingers is about 10%.
   b) Muscular atrophy and muscle paralysis are very common.
   c) Acute neuropathy due to nerve compression by interstitial haemorrhage may be seen.
   d) Giant lipomas are larger than 3.5 cm.

Question 3. Regarding imaging of lipomas in the palm:
   a) On plain radiography, lucency within soft-tissue swelling may be seen.
   b) On ultrasonography, they commonly appear as a hypoechoic mass with increased vascularity.
   c) Magnetic resonance (MR) imaging is recommended before biopsy as it helps in the selection of suspicious areas for biopsy.
   d) Tissue characterisation is superior on ultrasonography as compared to MR imaging.

Question 4. Regarding MR imaging of lipomas in the hand:
   a) They appear hyperintense on both T1-weighted and T2-weighted images.
   b) They appear homogeneously hyperintense on fat-suppressed sequences.
   c) Intramuscular lipomas are the most common subtype of palmar lipoma.
   d) Areas of incomplete fat suppression and contrast enhancement are suspicious for malignancy.

Question 5. Regarding differential diagnosis of lipomas in the hand:
   a) Ganglion cysts can have a communicating tract with the joint or tendon sheath.
   b) Giant cell tumours of the tendon sheath usually have high-signal foci on T1-weighted and T2-weighted MR imaging sequences.
   c) On MR imaging, nerve sheath tumours can have a fusiform appearance with tapered ends.
   d) Flow voids may be seen in arteriovenous malformations on MR imaging.

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