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Litterature review: Changes in olfactory and gustatory perceptions in patients undergoing chemotherapy.

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Abstract: Chemotherapy generates several side effects including changes in sensory perception that may affect the quality of life of patients. The purpose of this literature review is to evaluate the impact of chemotherapy on the chemical senses (olfaction and gustation) and its consequences on patients' food behavior. A research gap was found concerning the direct relationship between sensory modifications and changes in food preferences and food behavior.

Keywords: Chemotherapy, sensory perception, olfaction, gustation, food behaviors.

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