

M3C mobile management of mass casualties

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ABSTRACT

Background: In mass casualty disasters and humanitarian emergencies, the handling of human remains is a critical and sensitive operation.

Methods: The authors developed a mobile application and portable forensic kit for collecting and managing reliable post-mortem information for identifying human remains.

Practical implications: The mobile application is designed in such a way that even non-forensic volunteers with minimal training can use it in remote and dangerous locations where it would be hard to deploy forensic teams and equipment. The app efficiently creates a secure and accurate record of basic post-mortem information like location, physical description, personal affects, and photographs. The collected data can be easily uploaded to a central database, which other agencies can securely access to aid in identification.