

Taming the Old Dragons of Dental Implant Prosthetics

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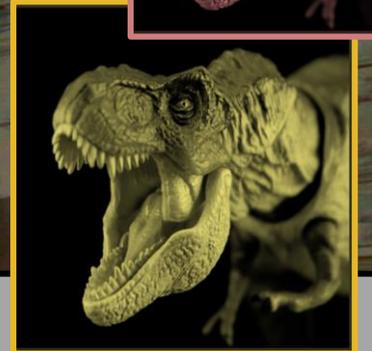


Implant Prosthetics, Mechanical and Biological
Complications, Mucositis, Peri-implantitis, Oral Pathogens,
Reverse Margin, Making Implant Treatment Safer

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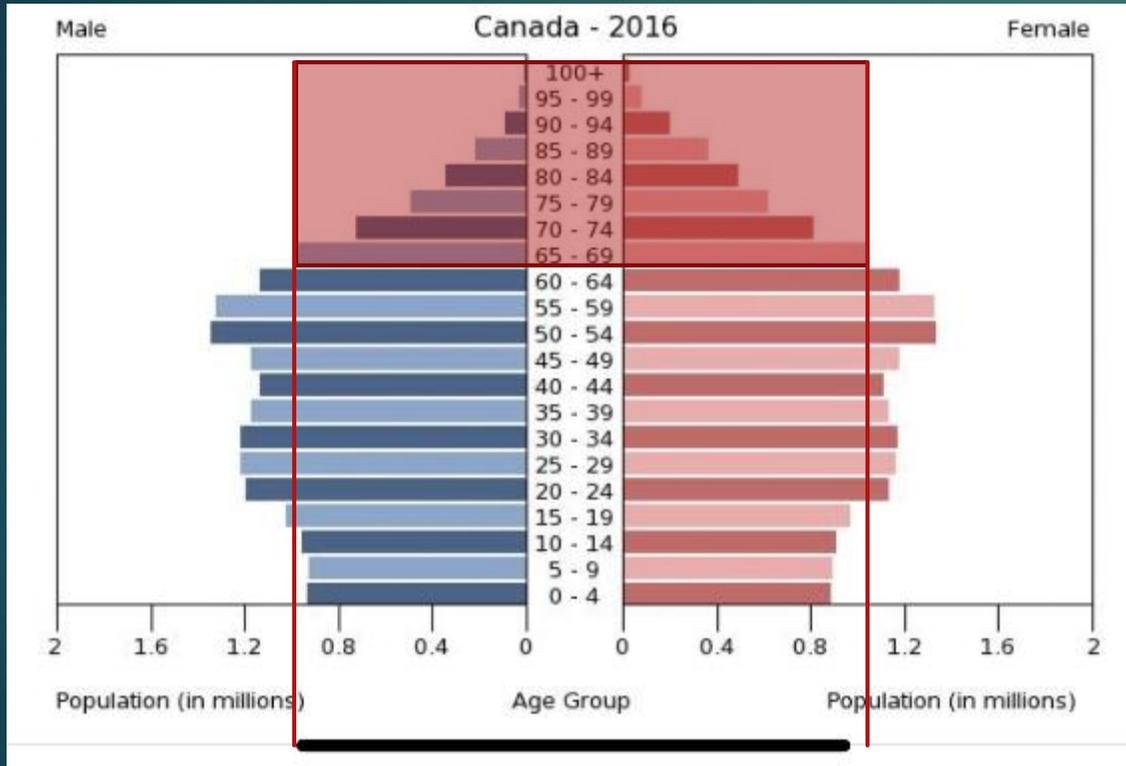
Award Winning ePoster

AAID, Sept 28, 2018



Dr. David G. Hochberg, President of American Academy of Implant Dentistry congratulates Dr. Emil Svoboda at the 67th Annual Meeting in Dallas

Our Treatment Needs to Last a Long Time!



Your 65 year old Patient
is expected to live another
19 years

2018 Population 37 Million

65+ 6.4 M

80+ 1.6 M

Statistics Canada Census 2016

10,000 Centenarians

Why Are Teeth Lost?

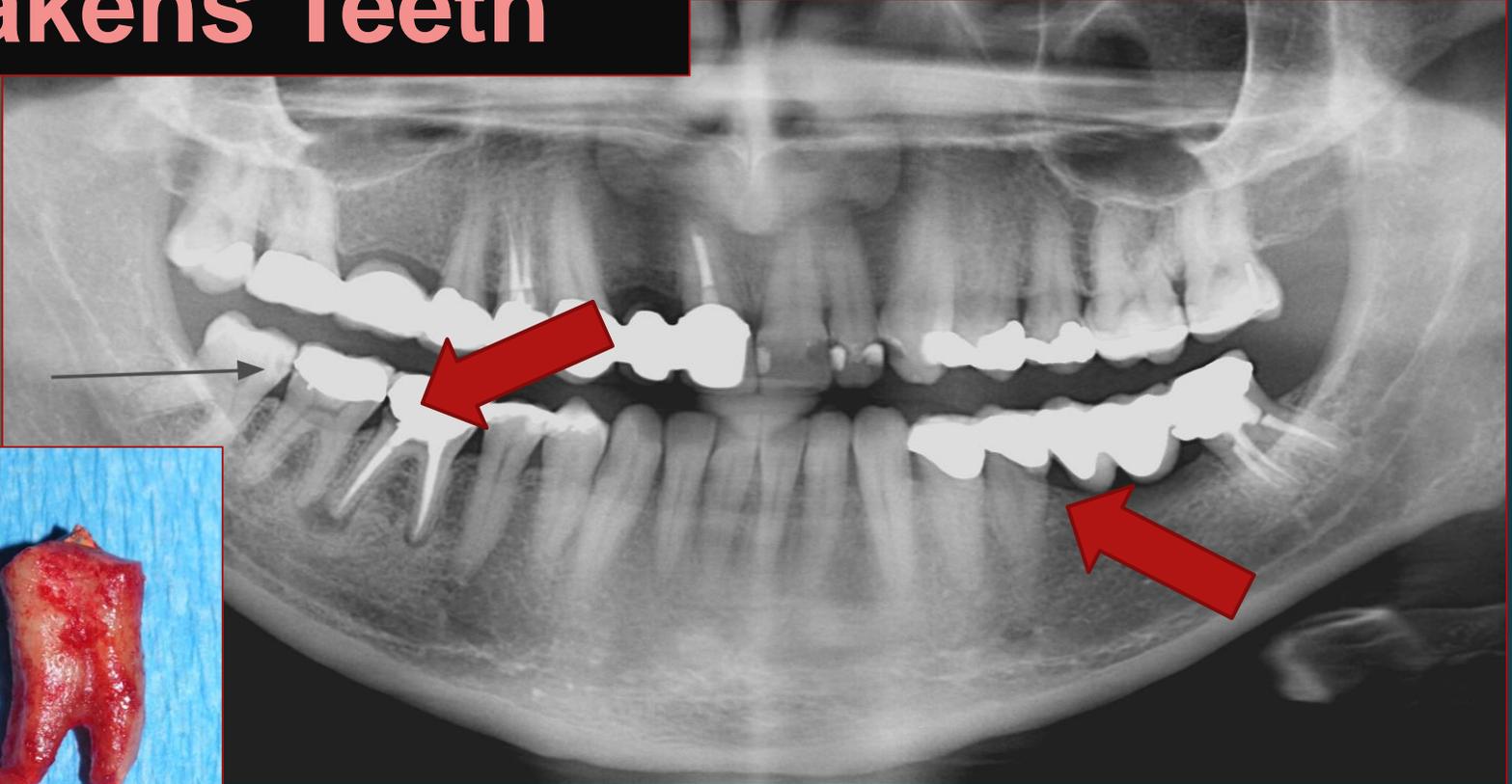
Infection: Caries & Periodontal Disease



Mechanical Problems

Why Are Teeth Lost?

Infection Weakens Teeth



Mechanical Problems

Dental Implants

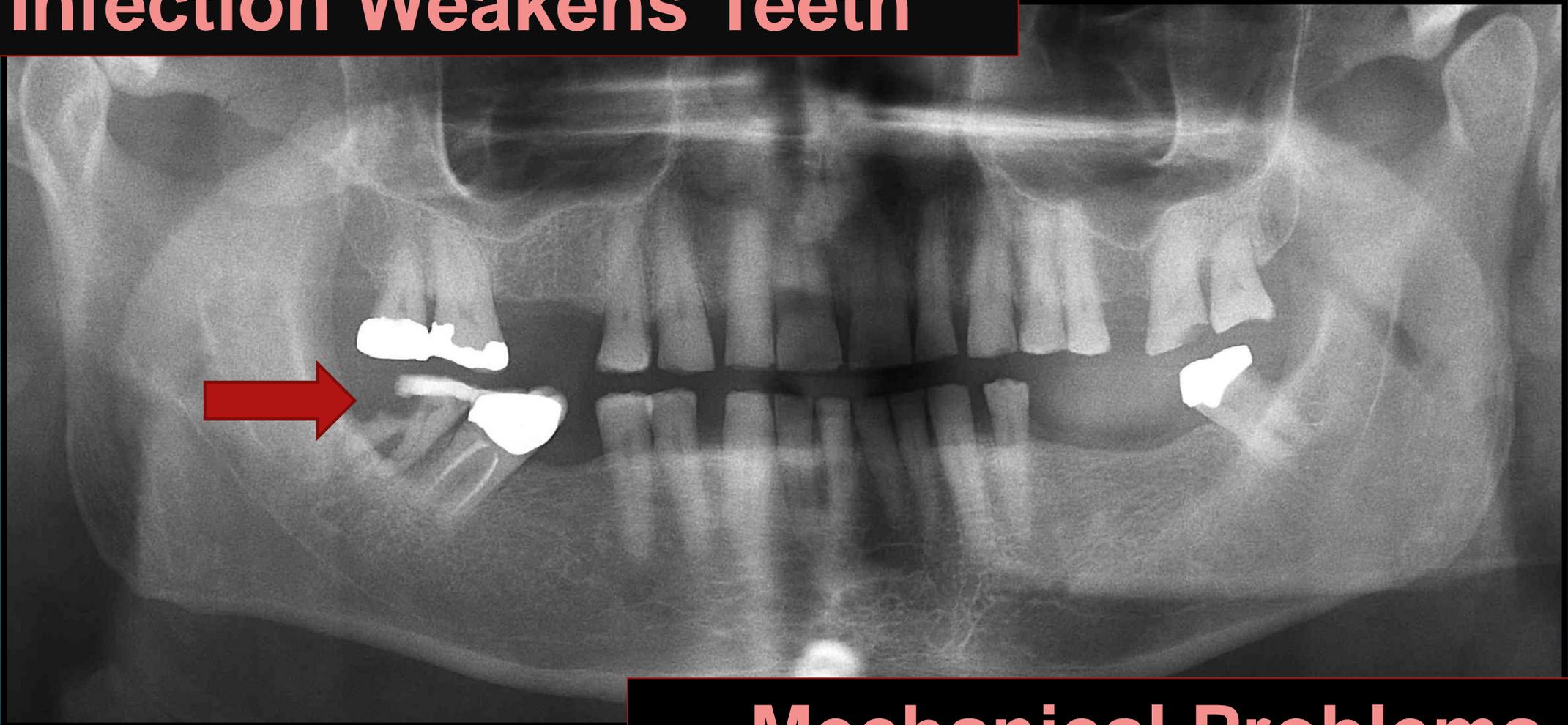
Let Us Put
Humpty Together Again
After All Else Has Failed

1. Increase load bearing units
2. Preserve existing tissues
3. Reduce collateral damage
4. Resistance to caries
5. Improve function & Esthetics



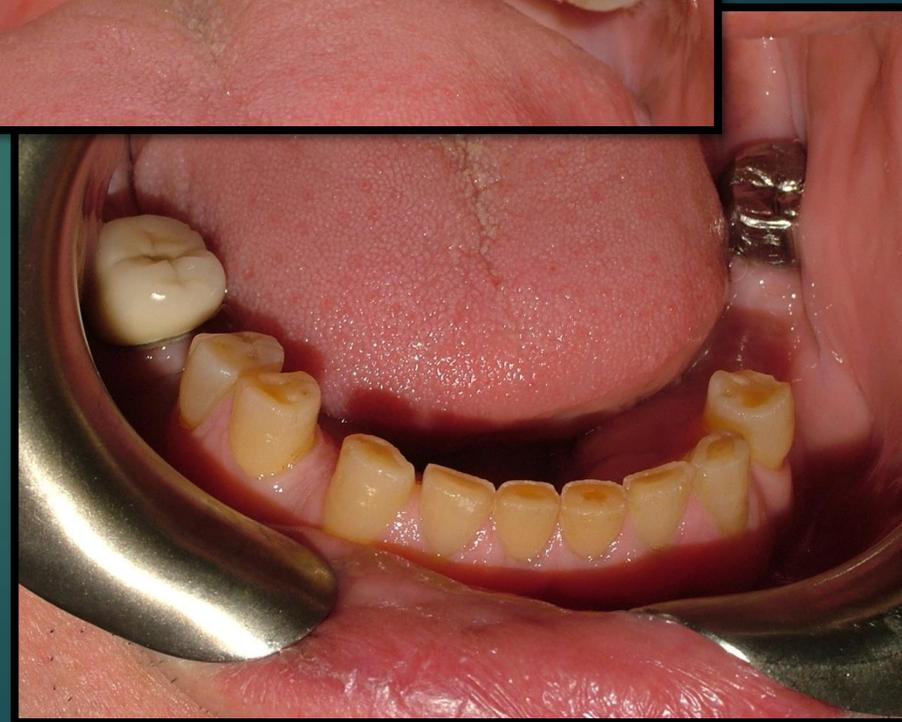
Sore Back Tooth – Procrastinator!

Infection Weakens Teeth



Mechanical Problems

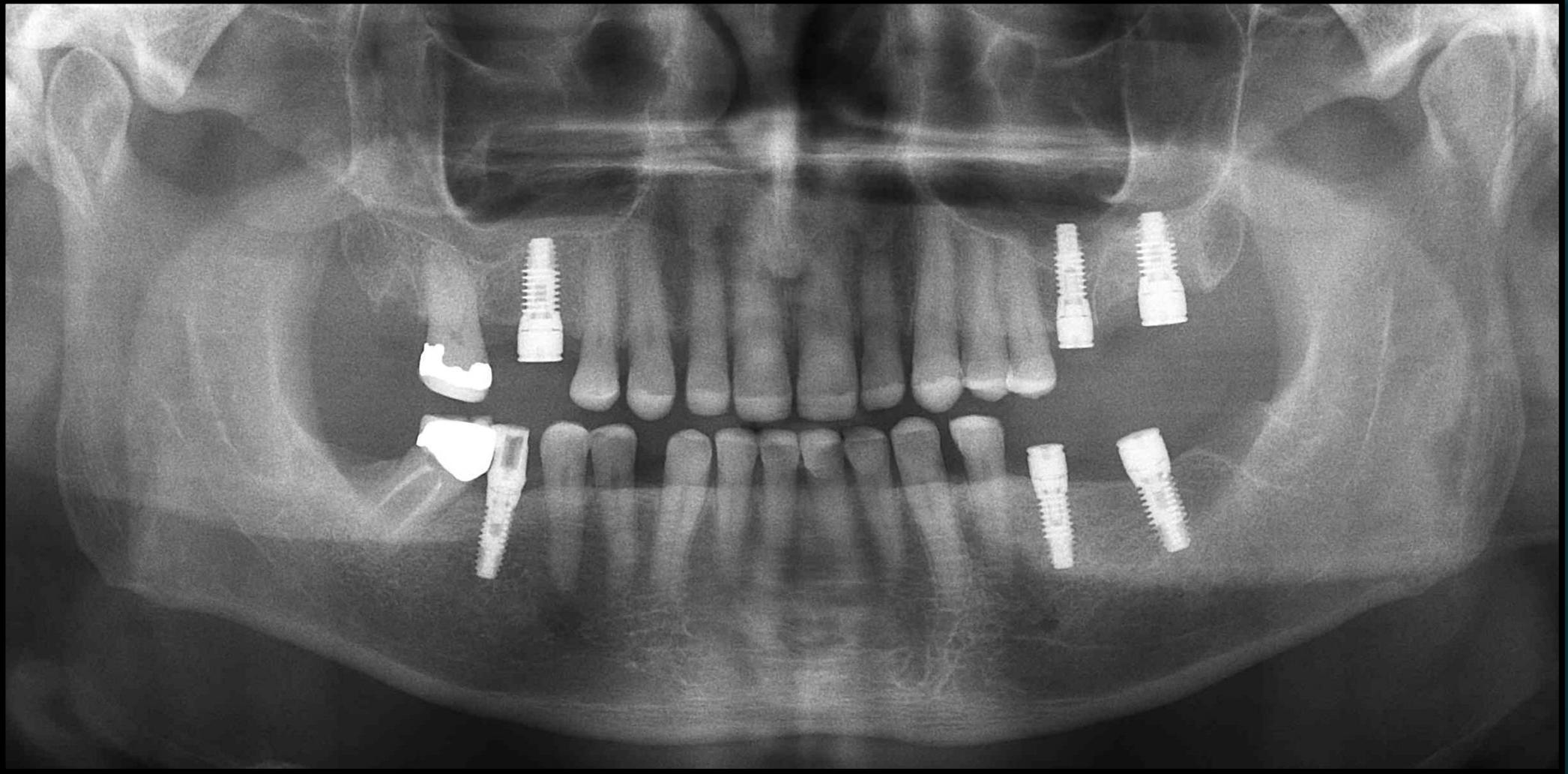
Missing Teeth, Heavy Wear



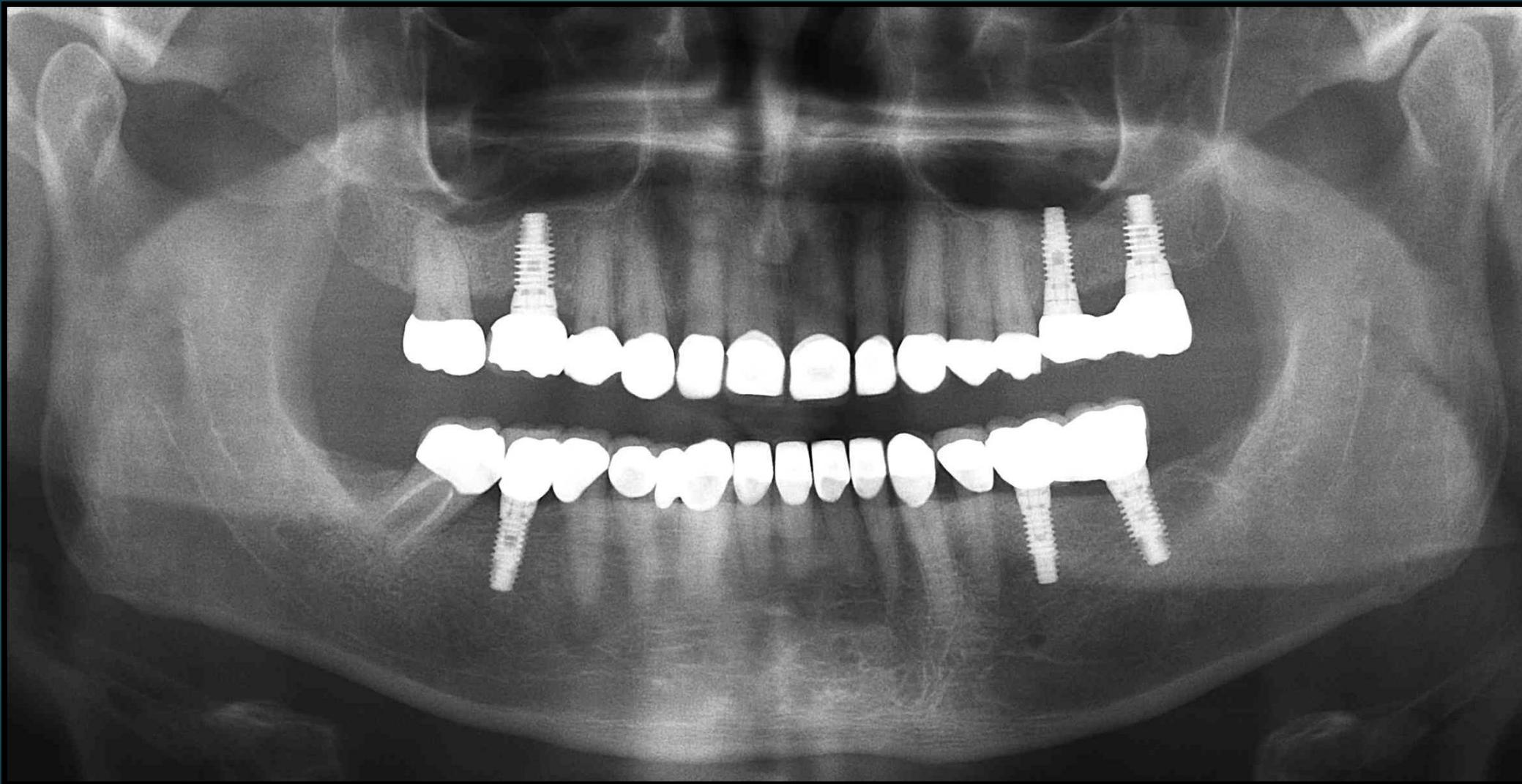
I want Natural Teeth “Not Horse Teeth”



Immediate Implants



Improved Mechanical Stability



Hygiene and Mechanics Better

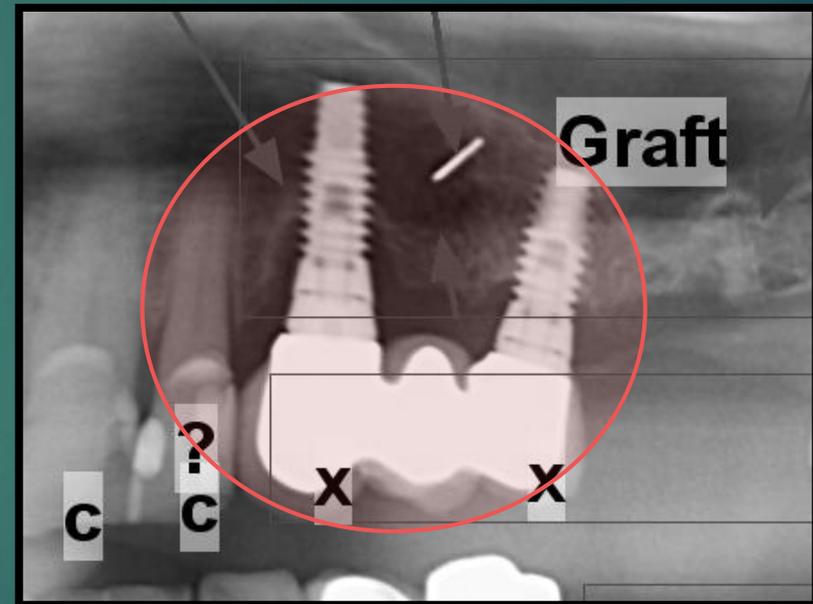
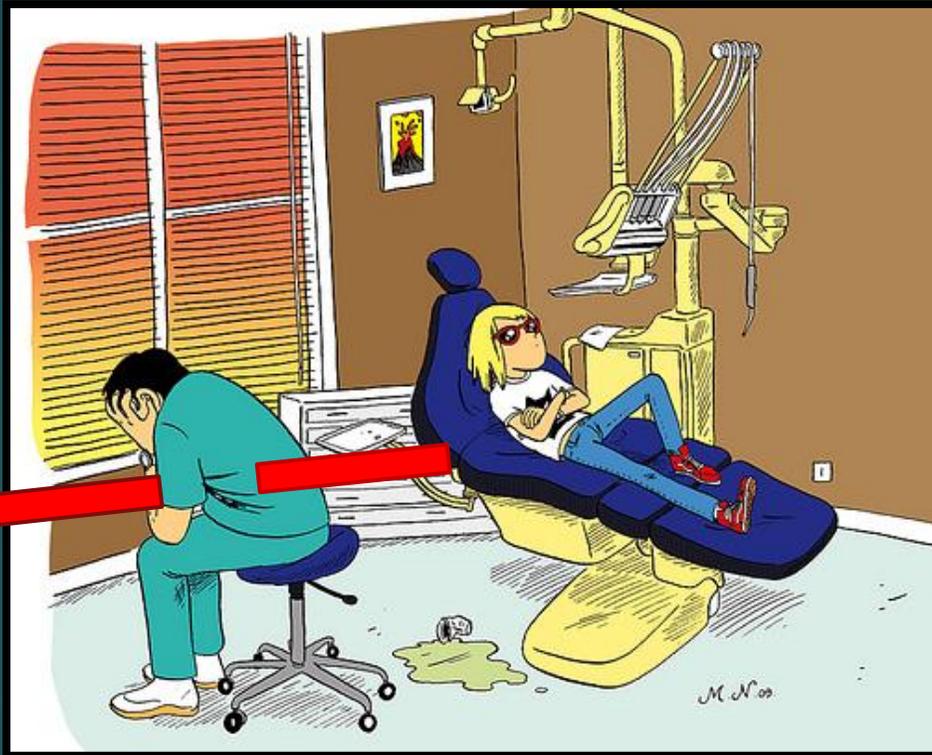


Can He Now Prevent Infection
By Maintenance?

Why Are Dental Implants Lost Lost?

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Infection & Mechanical Failure



Treatment Complications are Bad for Business

If We Could Make Implant Treatment Better, Why Wouldn't WE?

- ▶ **Safer** – Reducing Risk Factors that are known to cause Complications for Patients
- ▶ **Faster** – Reducing the number of appointments required to complete and maintain treatment
- ▶ **Easier** – Reducing complexity of the treatment process for achieving predictable excellent results

Increase Treatment Durability & Efficiency
More Happy Patients = Great For Business!

4 Large Reviews

Mucositis	30% of Implants
<u>Peri-implantitis</u>	<u>15% of Implants</u>
<u>Peri-implant Disease</u>	45% of Implants**
Failures	4% 5 years, 8% 10 years

Same for Cement or Screw Installation

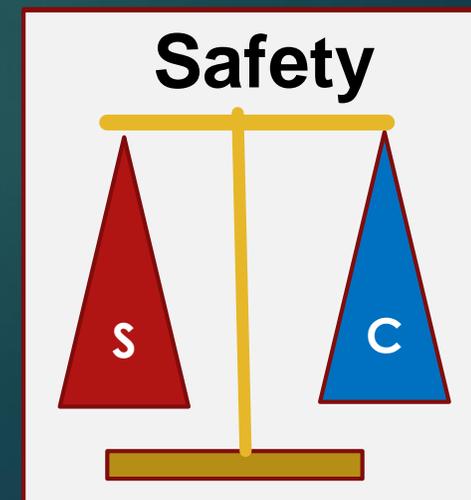
This includes Residual Cement and Master Cast Techniques
**** Requires Additional Treatment!**

Atieh MA et al. The Frequency of Peri-implant diseases: A systemic review and meta-analyses. J Periodontol **2013**;84(11):1586-1598

Daubert DM et al. Prevalence and predictive factors for peri-implant disease and implant failure: a cross-sectional analyses. J Periodontol **2015**;86(3): 337

Sherif S et al. A Systematic Review of Screw- versus Cement-Retained Implant Supported Fixed Restorations. J of Prosthodontics **2014** (23)1-9

Whittneben JG et al. Clinical Performance of Screw- Versus Cement Retained Fixed Implant-Supported Reconstructions: A Systemic Review. The Int J Oral Maxillofac Implants; **2014**;29(Suppl):84-98.



Why Do Some Key Opinion Leaders only Focus on Complications Related to the Cement-in Installation Technique?

**Complication
Rates
For
Both Systems
Are Similar!**



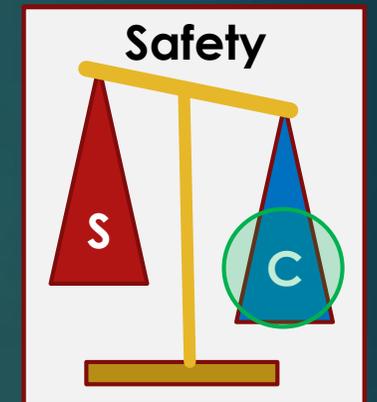
What is Causing Them??

Review 2016

8989 Implants – 2139 Participants
average 5 years

Cement-in Better than Screw-in

1. Less marginal bone loss
2. Higher implant survival rates
3. Fewer prosthetic complications



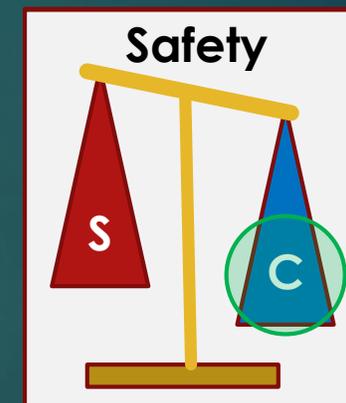
Lemos CAA et al. Evaluation of cement-retained versus screw-retained implant-supported restorations for marginal bone loss: A systematic review and meta-analysis. J Prosthet Dent **2016**; 115(4):419-27.

Cement-in Can be Safer than Screw-in Prosthesis Installation

Nissan et al. Long-Term Outcome of Cemented Versus Screw-Retained Implant-Supported Partial Restorations. Int J Maxillofac Implants 2011; 26:1102-1107

Table 1 Comparison of Complications and Clinical Parameters of Screw-Retained and Cemented Implant-Supported Partial Restorations

Complications/clinical parameters	Screw-retained restoration		Cemented restoration	P
Ceramic fracture	38% ± 0.3%	10X	4% ± 0.1%	< .001
Abutment screw loosening	32% ± 0.3%	4X	9% ± 0.2%	.001
Metal frame fracture	0		0	NS
Mean Gingival Index	0.48 ± 0.5	5X	0.09 ± 0.3	< .001
Mean marginal bone loss (mm)	1.4 ± 0.6	2X	0.69 ± 0.5	< .001



Split Mouth Design, 38 patients, 221 Implants, mean follow up 5 years to 15 years

Should We Install Implant Prosthetics by Screw or Cement?

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Insanity ... Doing the same thing
over and over and
expecting different results.

Albert Einstein

Screw-in

Cement-in



Is it Pick your Poison?

Is the 45% Peri-Implant Disease Rate OK?

Can We Do Better?

Why are the Large Implant Companies Pushing the Screw-in Installation Technique? More Parts, More Control?

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Dentists are Chasing Expensive Technology that is Changing Rapidly & Only Half-Baked



Do Implant Companies Suffer from our Complications???

Making Treatment Better for Whom?

IDS Cologne Germany 2019

- ▶ **PATIENTS!**
- ▶ Dentists
- ▶ Dental Specialists
- ▶ Dental Laboratories
- ▶ **Implant Manufacturers ******
- ▶ **Implant Product Distributers & Services ****



We Are All in the Health Care Industry!

Who is Responsible for Complications??

1. Patients?
2. Educators?
3. Implant manufacturers?
4. Governing bodies?
5. **You the DR** appear to be alone & ...



**Directly
Responsible**

**Are We Really Incompetent?
Or Are Our Systems FLAWED?**



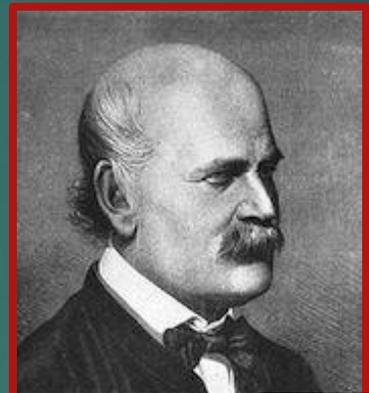


To Prevent Problems

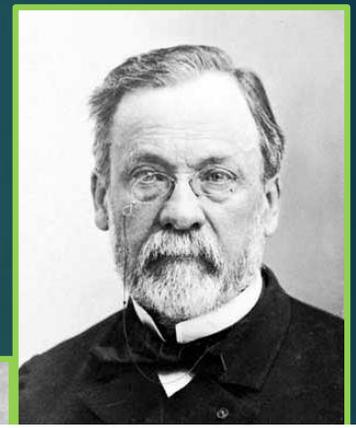
We Must First Discover Their Root Causes

INVENTORES

Van Leeuwenhoek 1632-1723



Semmelweis 1818-1865



Pasteur 1822-1895



Lister 1827-1912

Oral Pathogens are a Root Cause of Peri-implant Disease

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**Shouldn't We Be
Investigating
Our Work
At The Micron Level**



Peri-Implant Mucositis and Peri-Implantitis: A Current Understanding of Their Diagnoses and Clinical Implications. American Academy of Periodontology (AAP). J Periodontol: April 2013; Vol 84, No 4, 436 - 443
Svoboda ELA. Safer Implant Treatment. OralHealth; Oct 2018, 58-60.

SIZE MATTERS!

8 Million/mm



(About 2000x Zoom)

HUMAN HAIR
0.1 mm = 100 μ m

8,000 Pathogens

1 MICRON
.001 mm

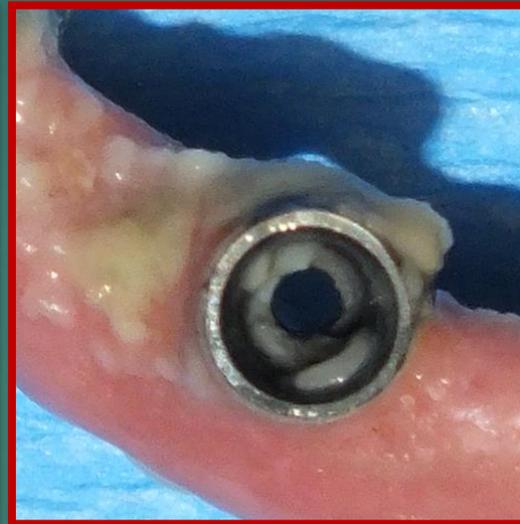
A microscopic image showing a dense cluster of small, purple-stained, rod-shaped bacteria. The bacteria are arranged in a somewhat circular pattern, filling the lower right portion of the circular diagram.

32 mm perimeter



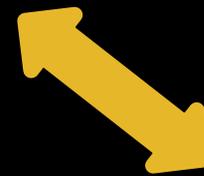
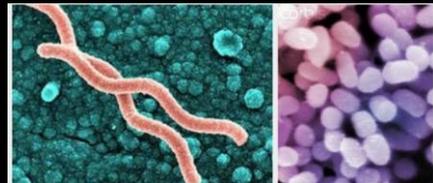
1 X around = 250 Million Pathogens

In Microbiology SIZE MATTERS!



Are We
Relying too
Much on
Host
Resistance
????

Size of Inoculum



Host Resistance



Pathogen Virility

Oral Pathogens That Cause Biological Complications Live

on gingiva, teeth & dental prosthetics
under overhanging, overextended & in open margins,
on subgingival cement, in voids under crowns
under cantilevered prosthetics & between implant parts,
(implant-abutment & abutment-prosthesis misfits)
in & on dental implants

**Oral Disease is Difficult to Treat
& Much Better to Prevent**

Can We Reduce Some of the Difficult to Access Breeding Places for Oral Pathogens?

YES BUT

**First, We Must Understand
How We Continue to Create Them**



The OLD Dragons of Dentistry

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They Are The Root Causes of
Treatment Complications
Related to Both
Prostheses Installation Techniques

- 1) Prosthesis Dimensional Error
- 2) Tissue Effects



Prosthesis Dimensional Error

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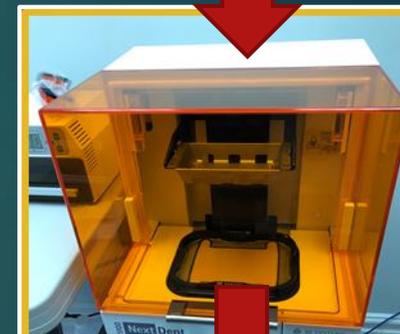
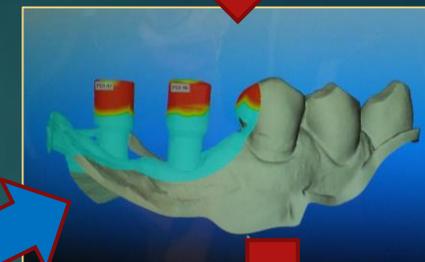
Is a Well Known
Root Cause
Of
Treatment
Complications



How are Prosthetics Made?

The Dentist
Makes an
Impression
of the Mouth

Lab Makes the Prosthesis
To Fit the Dental Model



Model System Evolved For Cement-in Prosthetics



**It Allows the Lab
to Work
Outside the Mouth
to Make the
Prosthesis**



**The Cement Space is the Tolerance
For Error Between Model & Mouth**

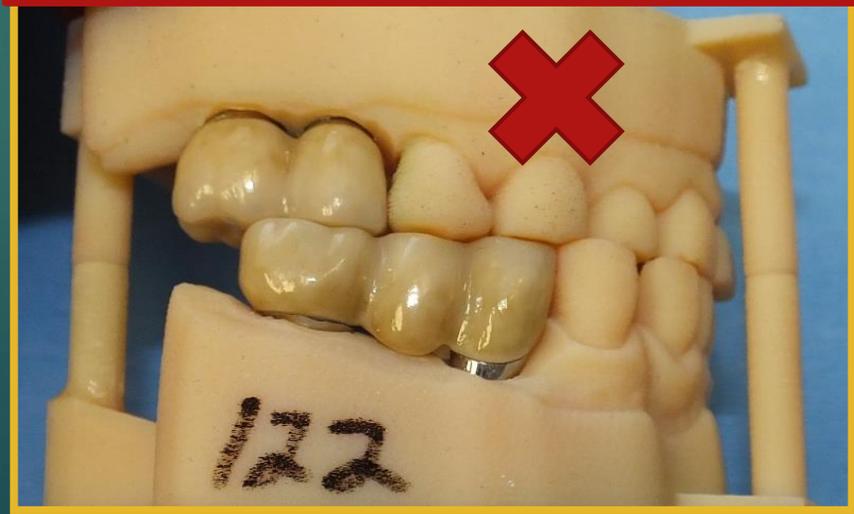
Physical Model Based Construction has Many Parts that Contribute to Error

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***Acceptable Levels
Model Error $\pm 150 \mu\text{m}$
AKA 300 μm spread**



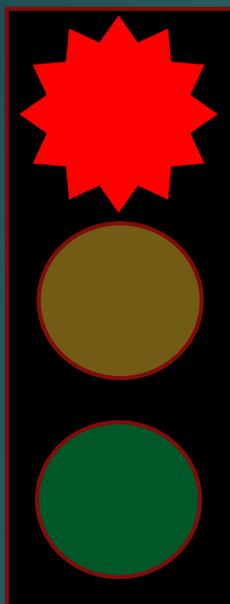
Inaccurate



Comparison of the Accuracy of Different Transfer Impression Techniques for Osseointegrated Implants. Zen BM et al. JOI Vol 41 No 6 2015: 662-667.

Does Anyone Really Know How Accurate a Specific Model/Prosthesis Is?

BUT



Is Accuracy a Game of Chance?

The Prosthesis is Inaccurate

**That is Why We Need to
Adjust
Contacts, Fit &
Occlusion
to Install it
into the MOUTH**



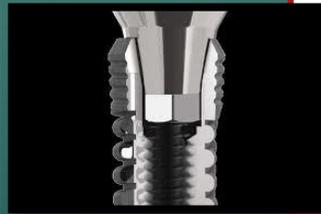
**We have Good and Bad Days
Fit is Variable & Technology is Complex**

Mass Produced Machined Construction

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***Acceptable Levels
Error $\pm 5 \mu\text{m}$
AKA $10 \mu\text{m}$ spread**

**30X More
Accurate
than Models**



Little Tolerance for Error!

Health Canada & FDA in the USA Regulate the Sale of Abutments

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Manufacturers Must Demonstrate
Implant-Abutment Connection
Stability According to
ISO 14801:2016 Standards

For Testing, the **Implant & Abutment**
are connected to create an **Optimized Fit**
according to Manufacturer's Specifications



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What is an Optimized Fit?

Microgap

Related to Parts Manufacturing Errors

($\pm 5 \mu\text{m}$)

Macrogap (30X Bigger)

Prosthesis Manufacturing Errors
Plus Microgap

($\pm 150 \mu\text{m}$)

Optimized Fit

Macrogap = Microgap

($\pm 5 \mu\text{m}$)

A BIG Problem for Screwed-in Prosthetics Components have Little Tolerance for Error!

Its Like a Shell Game – Where is the PDE?



3 Joint Systems

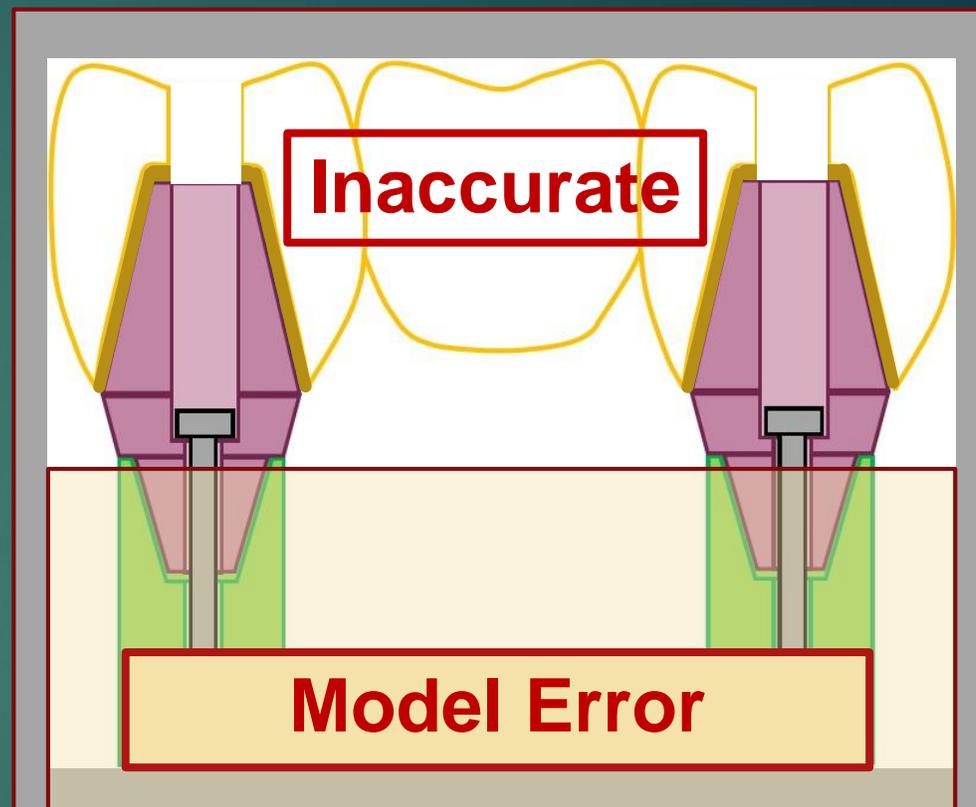
1. Implant-Abutment
2. Abutment-Prosthetic Part *
3. Prosthetic Part-Prosthesis

2 Joint Systems

1. Implant-Abutment *
2. Abutment-Prosthesis **



Prosthesis Dimensional Error (PDE)



**The Lab
Adjusts & Joins
the
Inaccurate Prosthesis
to its Abutments
On the
Inaccurate Model**

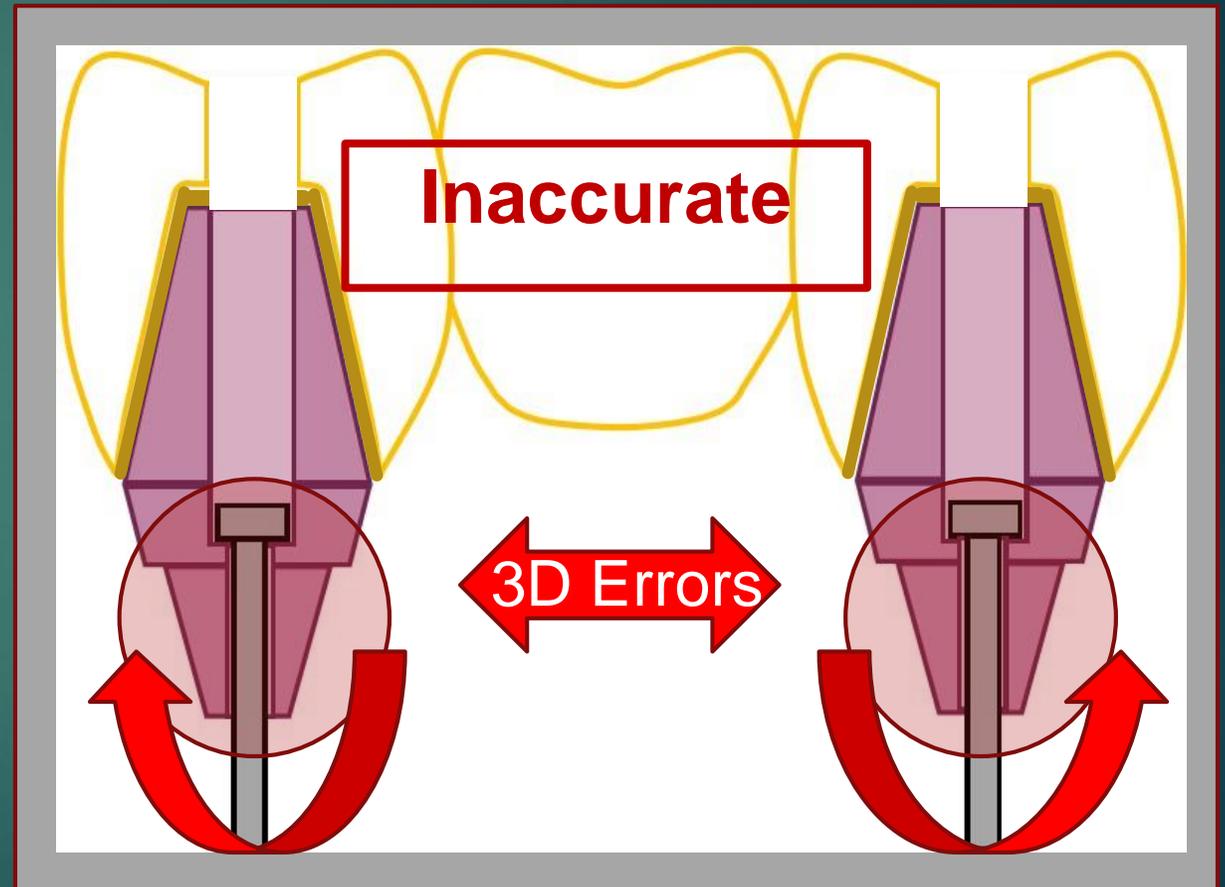
**This is Now a Rigid Complex with
Built-in 3-D Model/Prosthesis Error**

The Inaccurate Prosthesis Now Constrains the Abutments

**Abutment
Connectors
Are Fixed
and
mispositioned!**



**NOT So Good!
Implant Companies
are Aware!**



Implant-Abutment Misfit in the Mouth

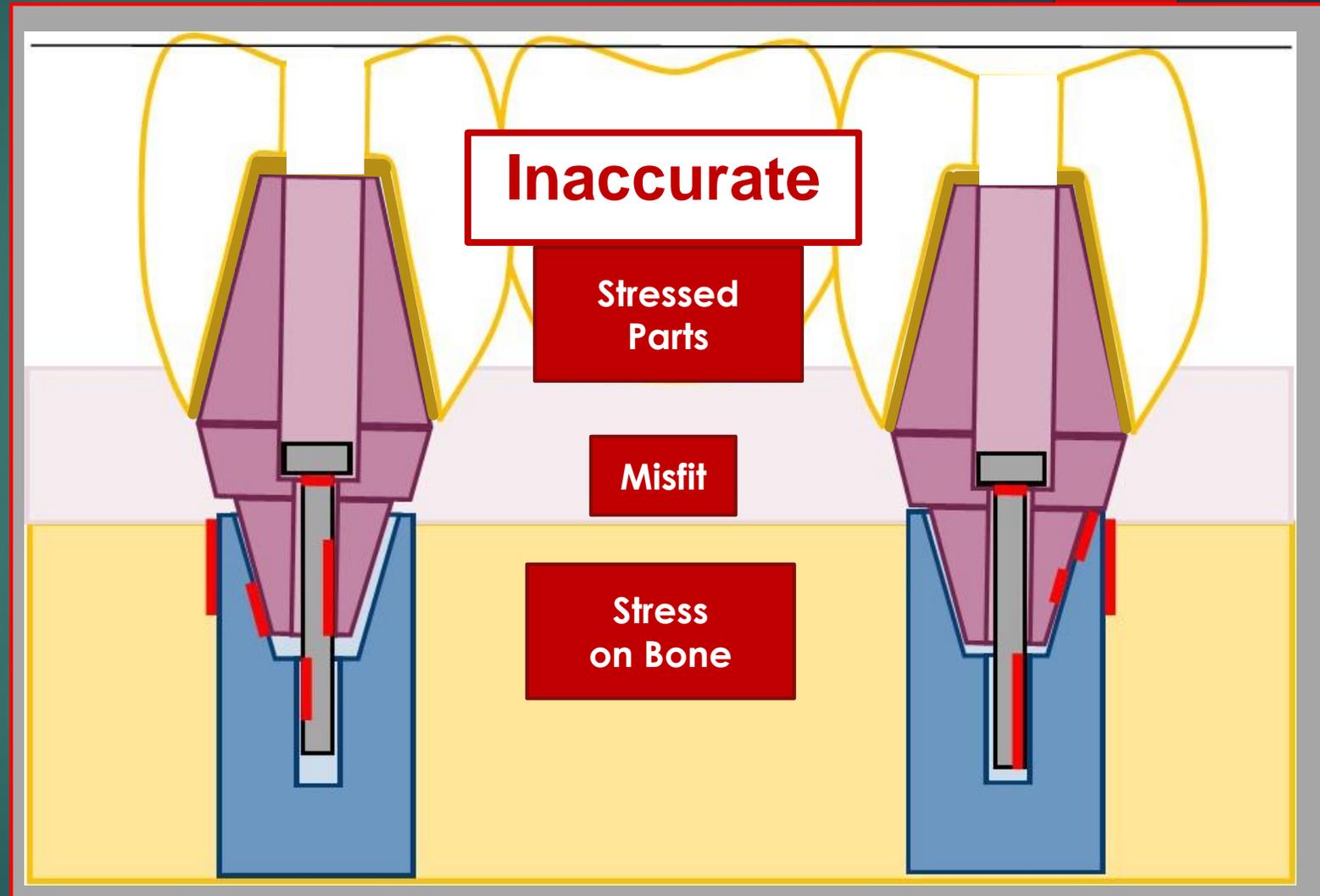
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Mechanical Problems

- Misfit of Components
- Deformation of Parts
- Broken Retaining Screws
- Movement of Parts
 - Micropump
(Zipprich, YouTube 1,2)

Biological Problems

- Stress on Bone
- Voids at Connection and Microbial Invasion



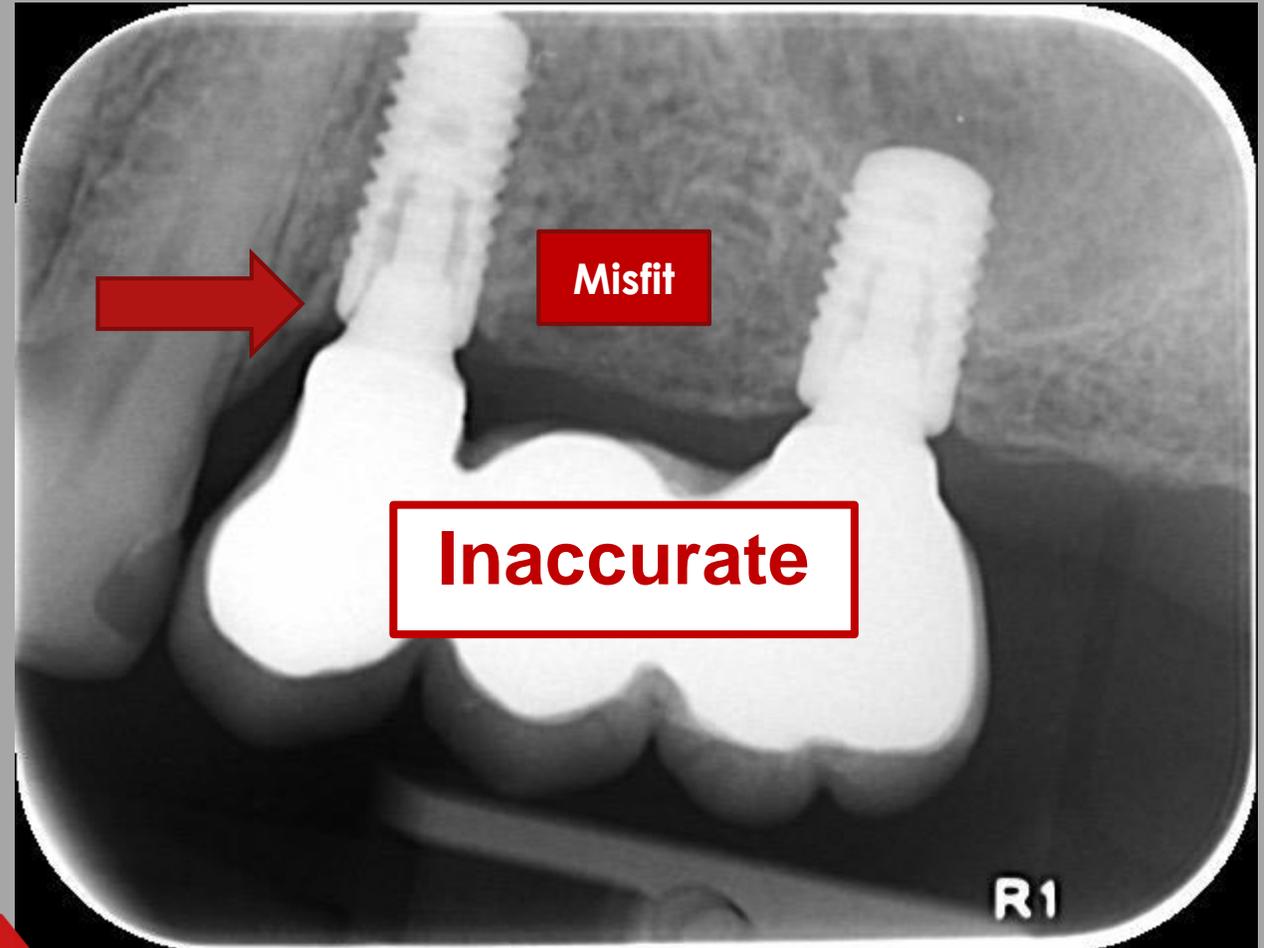
NOT So Good, and Preventable!

The Screw-in Technique

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Can Dentists
Optimize the
Implant-
Abutment Fit
with Multiple
Units?

**NO, NOT
Consistently!**



Implant-Abutment Connection

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**What is Better
Mechanically & Biologically?
Fit or Misfit???**

**If We Could Optimize the Fit
Why Wouldn't We?**



Single Implant - Crown Restoration The Screw-in System Challenge!

**Can Dentists
Consistently Optimize BOTH?**

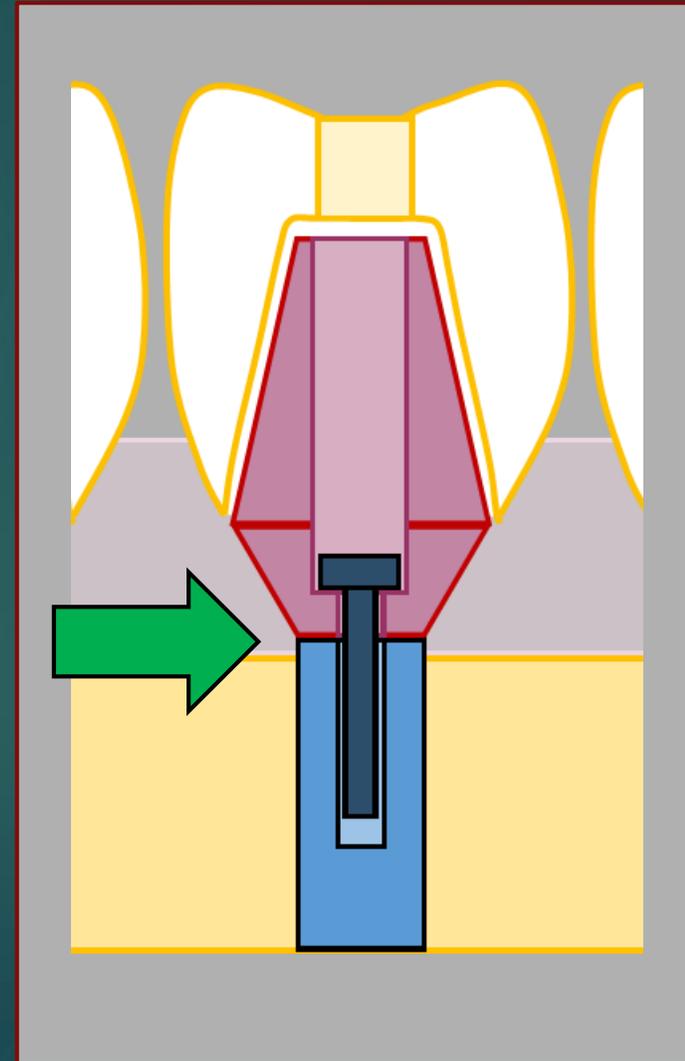
1. Implant-Abutment Connection
2. Path of Insertion

Optimizing the Implant-Abutment Connection

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Can Dentists consistently line up the path of crown insertion with the implant-abutment screw channel to achieve the optimal fit of parts as per manufacturer and Government regulators?

Yes! It Can be Predictable
when there are
NO Contacts with Adjacent Teeth!



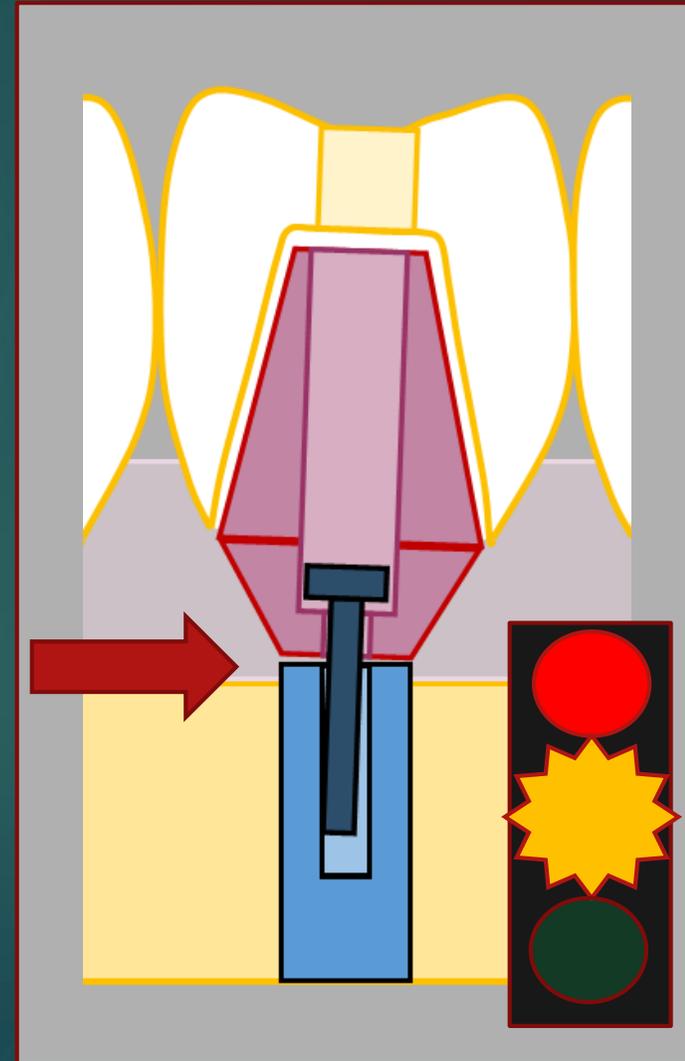
What if there are Contacts with Adjacent Teeth?

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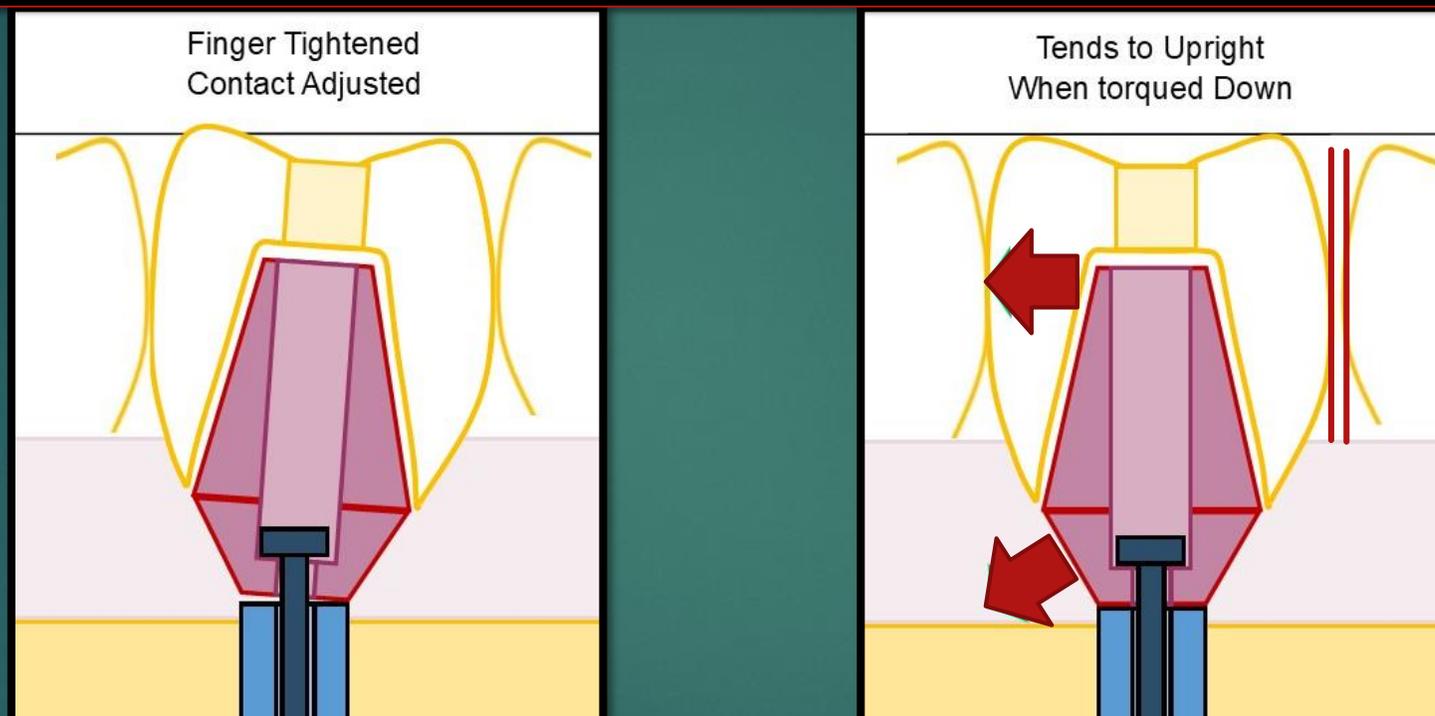
Path of Insertion
May Take Precedence
over
Implant-Abutment Fit



Optimizing the Implant-Abutment
Connection is Not Predictable



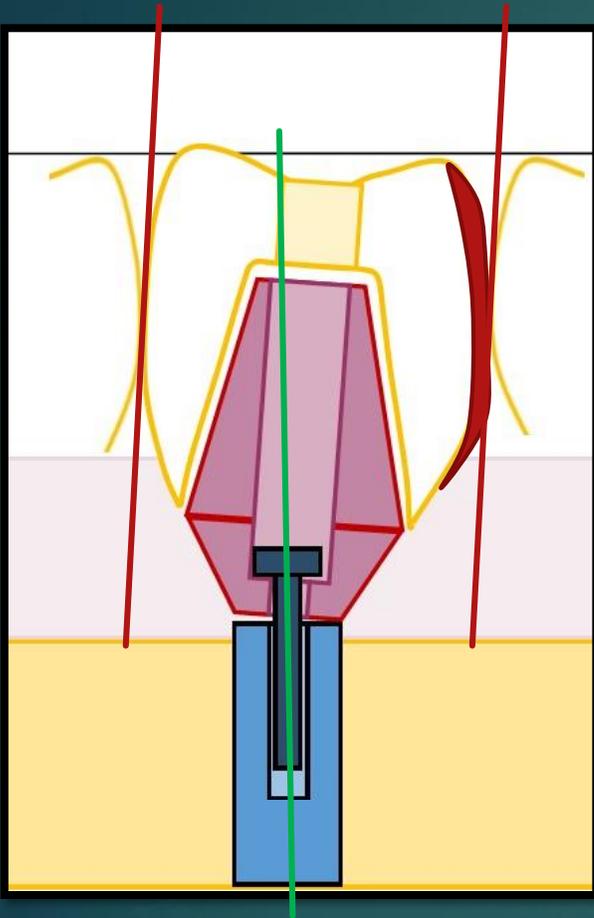
After Hand Tightening the Abutment Screw and Adjusting the Prosthesis Contacts Final Torqueing of Abutment Screw May Upright the Abutment-Crown Complex



This Can Cause a **Tight and Open Contact Problem**
and/or **Implant-Abutment Misfit**

Open Contact – Transport to Lab

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Lab - Put in Oven to Disassemble,
Add Porcelain to Contact (overbuild),
Reassemble on the Inaccurate Model?
Transport back to Dentist

Dentist Reappoints Patient, Adjusts
Contacts to Seat Abutment-Crown
Complex onto Implant, Screws into Place
and **Hopes for the Best**

Implant Alignment \neq Path of Insertion



The Dreaded Macrogap AKA – Implant-Abutment Misfit



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1. Inaccurate impressions/Models
2. Tight Contacts
3. Tissue Interferences
4. Cheaper Inaccurate Parts
5. Use of Engaging Abutments
6. Trying to Re-insert an Abutment that has been Previously Misfit Deformation?

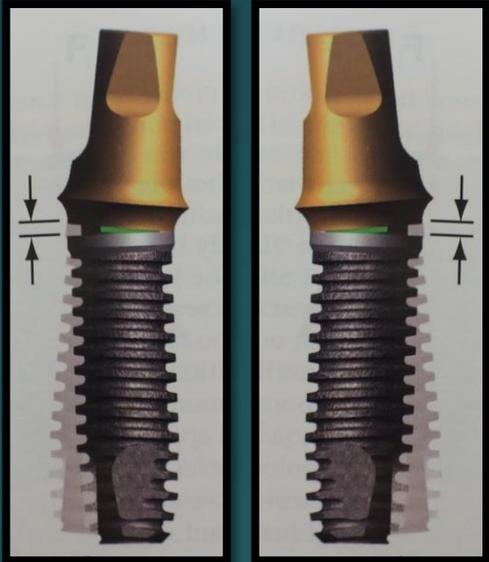
“When **bacteria** are able to colonize a **Macrogap**, implant failure can result due to biologic failure such as **peri-implantitis**. (4)

In addition, **misfit** can lead to **mechanical failure** of the implant system because of factors such as **screw fracture** and/or implant fracture. (5)” **Movement?**

Top factors leading to dental implant abutment/implant fixture misfit: The dreaded microgap.
Scott Froum, Perio-Implant Advisory, Feb 6, 2017. Clinical Associate Professor – Periodontist NYU

*Passive Fit could not be achieved with Screwed-in Prosthetics!

That Includes Using The
“Master Model Technique” (Expensive)



Figures of implants from “Dental Implant Prosthetics, Carl E. Misch, Elsevier Mosby, 2005 & 2015

*Review: Passive Fit in Screw Retained Multi-unit Implant Prosthesis Understanding and Achieving: A Review of the Literature. MM Buzaya, NB Yunus. J Indian Prosthodont Soc. 2014, Mar;14(1):16-23 Comparison of the Accuracy of Different Transfer Impression Techniques for Osseointegrated Implants. Zen BM et al. JOI Vol 41 No 6 2015: 662-667. Tissue -integrated prostheses. Branemark PI, Zarb GA, Albrektsson T. Chicago: Quintessence; 1985. p. 253

Comparing the accuracy of master models based on digital intra-oral scanners with conventional plaster casts. C Vogtlin et al. Physics in Medicine. June 2016. Volume 1, 20–26

Risk Factors and Risk Stratification Using a Risk Score for Peri-implant Pathology

1. History of Periodontitis
2. Is there Bacterial Plaque Present
3. Implant Close to other Teeth or Implants
4. Prosthetic Materials
5. Lack of Passive Fit or Prosthetic Loosening
6. Existing Bone Level
7. Smoking Patient

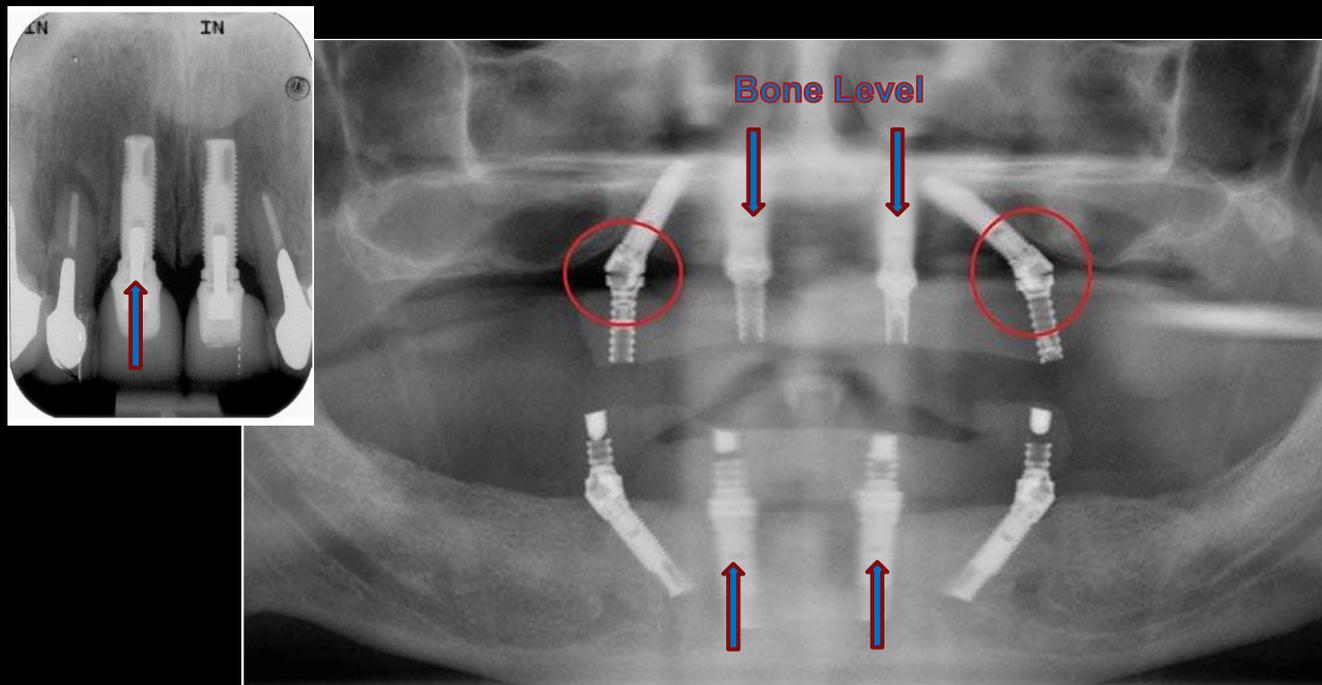


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Paulo Malo ... Jan 2017 Journal of Prosthodontic Research, Vol 61, Issue 1, 43-53.

<https://www.for.org/en/treat/peri-implant-pathology-risk-assessment/take>

How Did They Detect Macro-gaps? Their X-rays are Insufficient!



History of Periodontitis	74%
Non-Optimal Screw Joint	5%

The Example is assembled in the mouth!

How Can We Detect Macro-gaps?

Attributable fractions, modifiable risk factors and risk stratification using a risk score for peri-implant pathology.

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Risk Factors and Risk Stratification using a Risk Score for Peri-implant Pathology

History of Periodontitis	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bacterial Plaque Present				X			X	X
Bleeding on Probing					X	X	X	X
Lack of Passive Prosthesis Fit		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Patient Smokes			X			X		X
Negative Points	4	7	7	9	9	11	11	11
Risk Level	M	H	H	VH	VH	VH	VH	VH

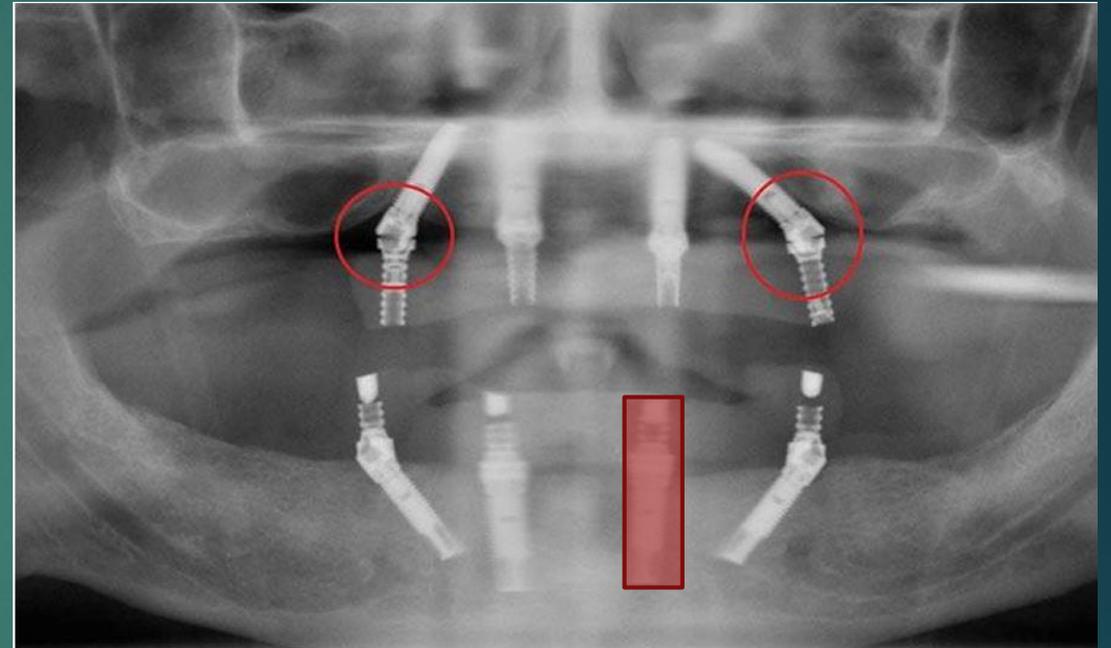
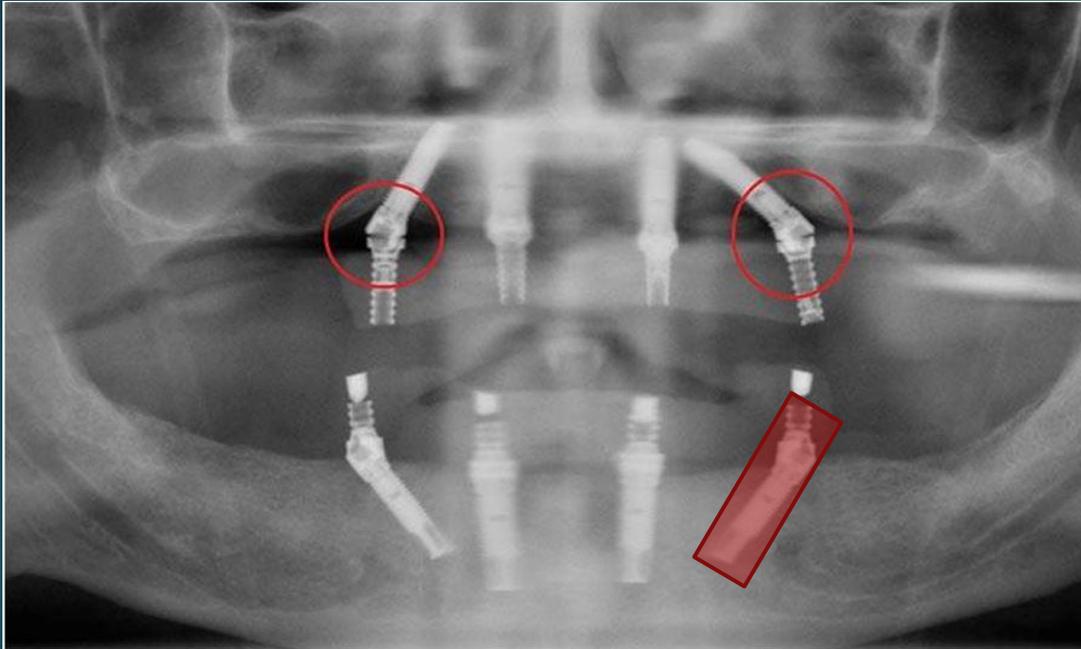
Low Risk (L)	<10%	6 Months
Moderate Risk (M)	10-20%	4 Months
High Risk (H)	20-40%	3 Months
Very High Risk (VH)	>40%	2 Months

How Does One Diagnose, Maintain or Treat An Implant-Abutment Misfit?



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What Are the Dentist-Patient Consequences of a Single Failed Implant?



Who Suffers?

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How Big Is this Problem?

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Katsoulis J et al., Misfit of implant prostheses and its impact on clinical outcomes.

Eur J Oral Implantol 2017;10(Suppl 1):121-138

Vertical Misfit Values 95 to 232 μm

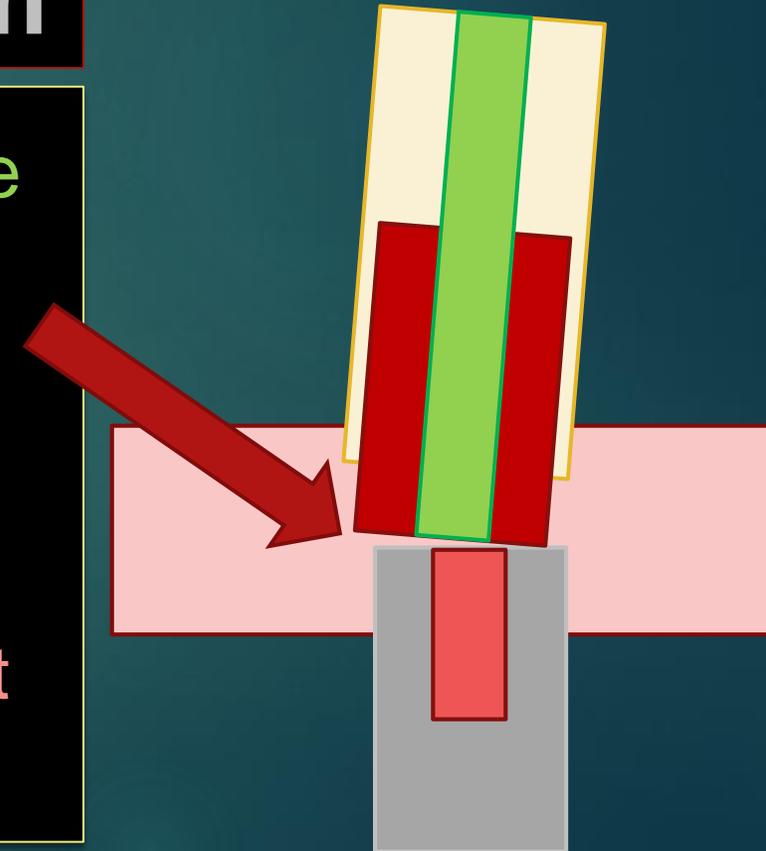
The current literature provides insufficient evidence as to the effect of misfit at the

Prosthesis-Implant Interface

on clinical outcomes of screw-retained implant-supported fixed dentures.

The present data do not imply that clinicians neglect good fit, but aim to achieve the least misfit possible.

Screwed-in Crown & Bridge



Prosthesis Dimensional Error

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Screw-Screw

Abutment-Prosthesis Misfit



All-on-4

Conclusion: The effect of misfit between the superstructures on its supporting implants up to $\sim 230 \mu\text{m}$ on the long-term clinical outcomes appears to be MINOR, apart from a slightly higher risk of screw-related adverse events.



Jokstad A, Shokati B. New 3D technologies applied to assess the long-term clinical effects of misfit of the full jaw fixed prosthesis on dental implants. 2015; Clin Oral Implants Research 26(10):1129-1134

Prosthesis Dimensional Error

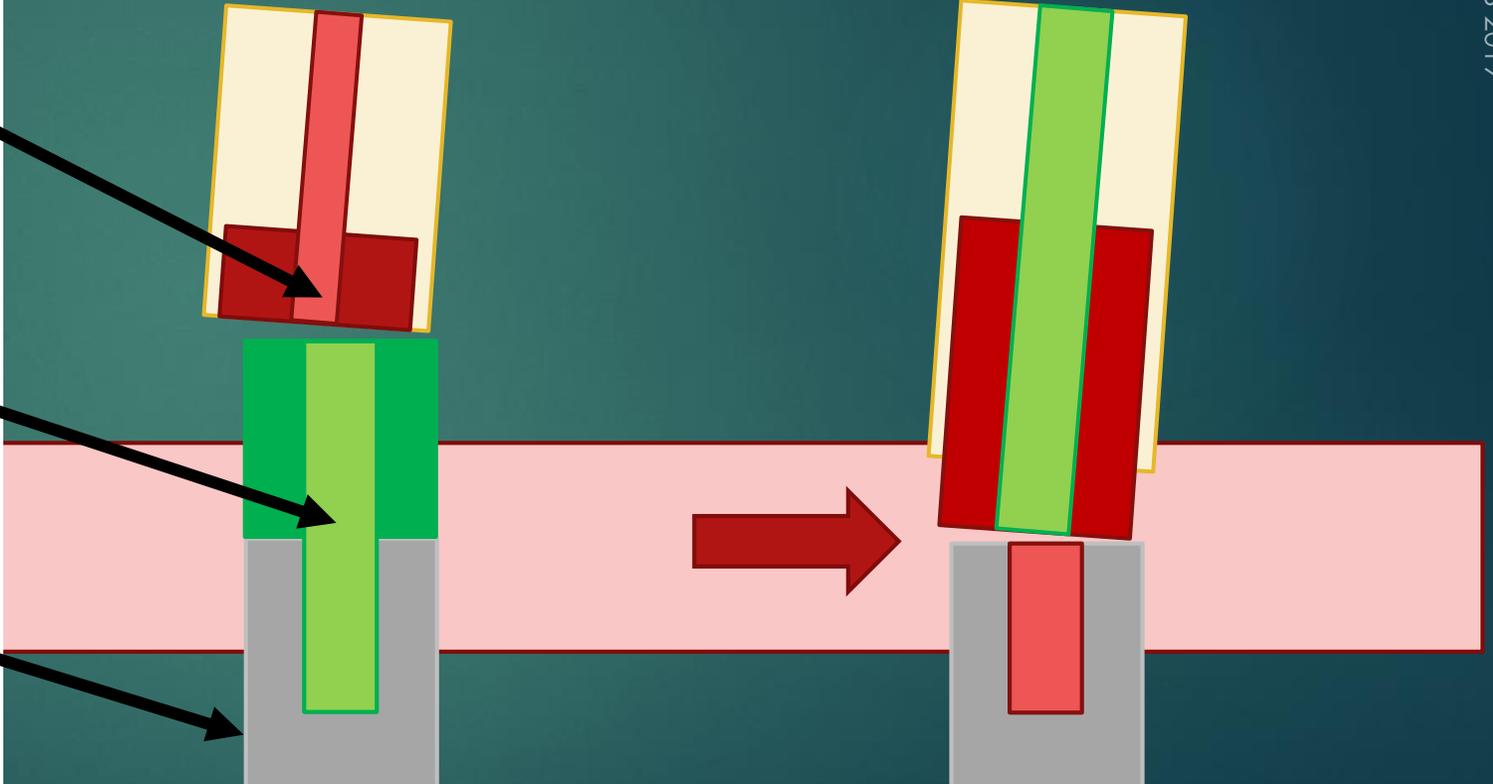
Jokstad A, Shokati B.

Screw-Screw

Screw

All-on-4

Crown & Bridge

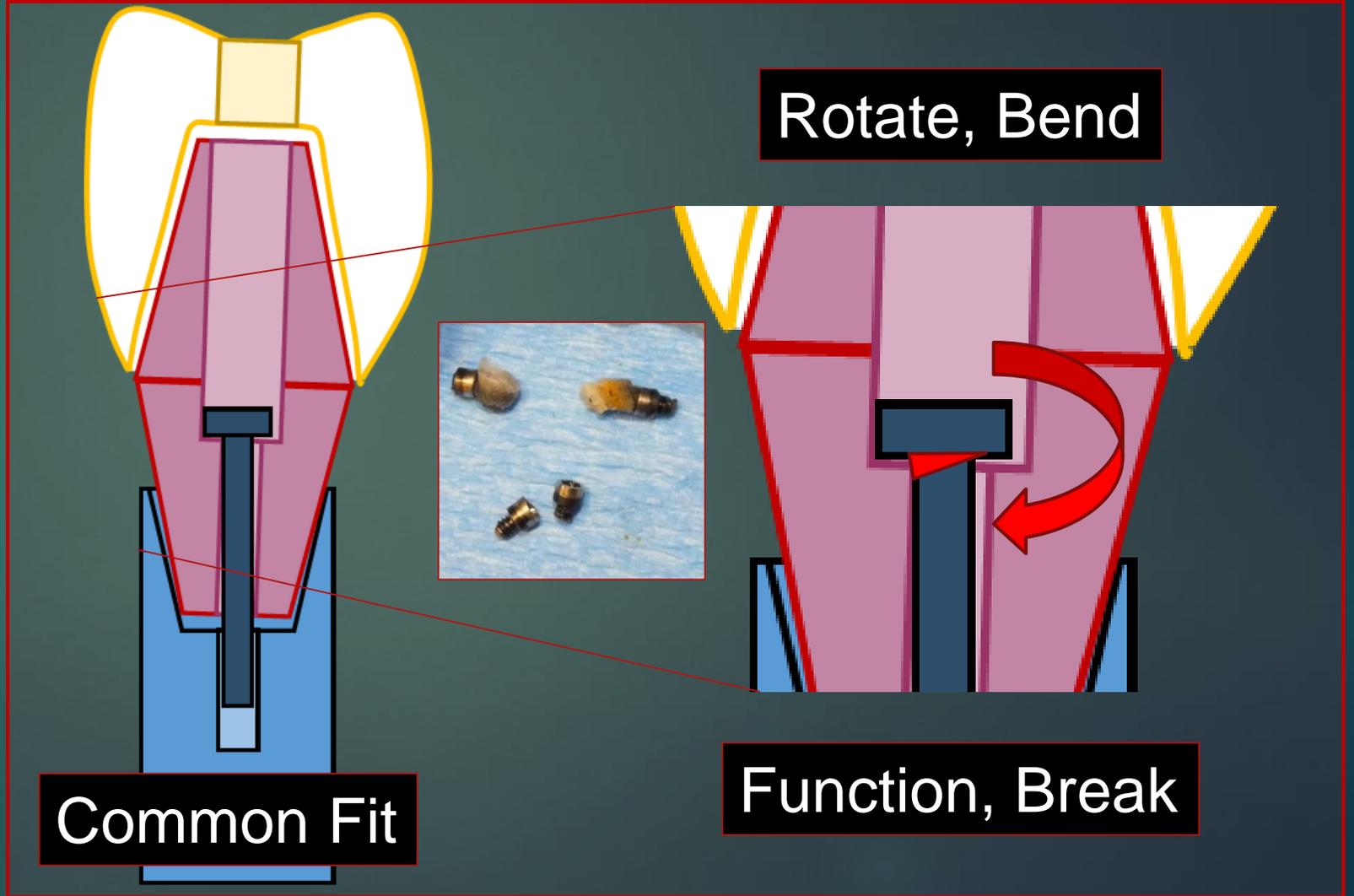
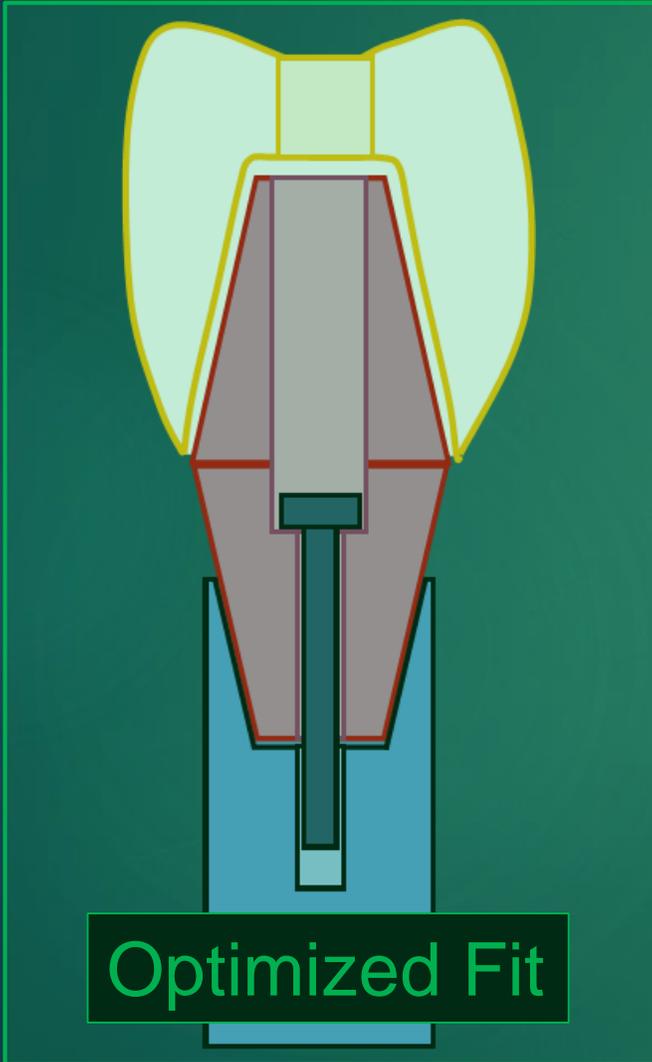


Is the Abutment-Prosthesis Misfit going Subgingival?

Abutment-Prosthesis Misfit

Implant-Abutment Misfit

Failed/Broken Screws: When Components Don't Line Up



In Addition to **A) Misfit:** What Else is Causing Problems?



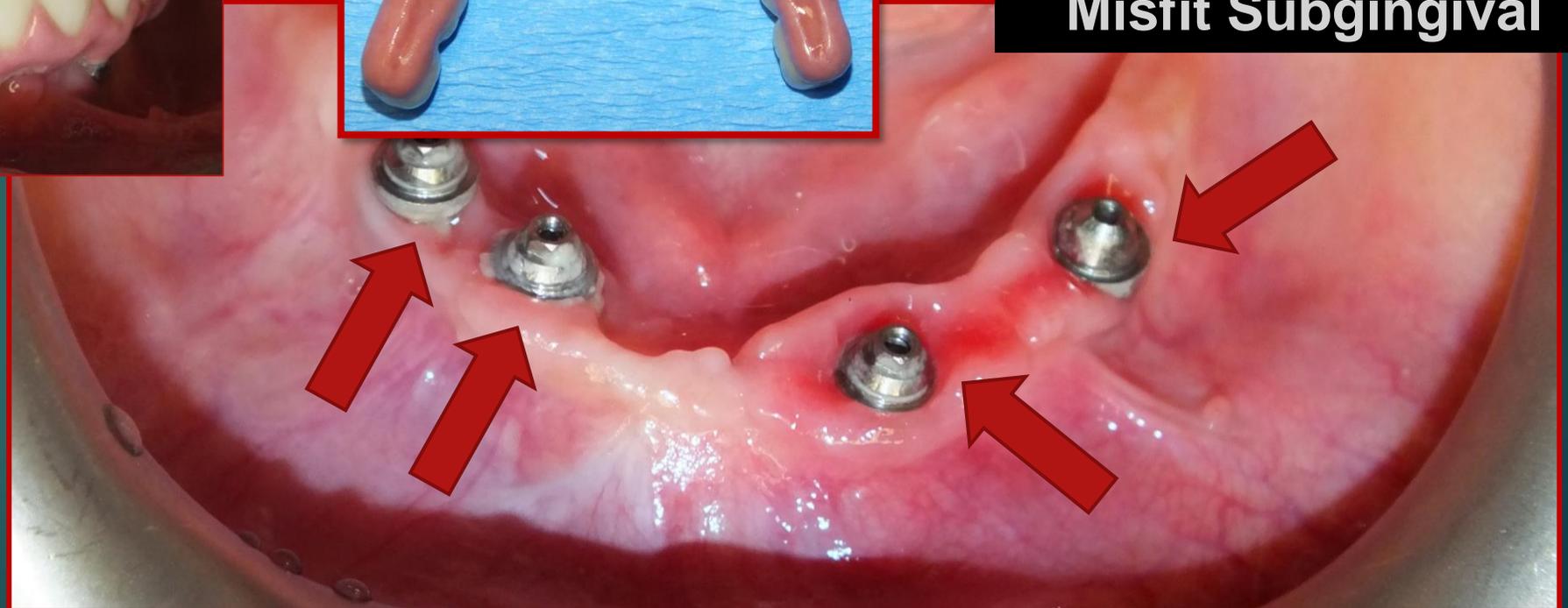
B) Stress Amplifiers on Components
Cantilevering to for Additional Teeth
Cantilevering for Screw Access
Heavy Functioning Patient

C) Does Blocking Access to Maintenance Matter?

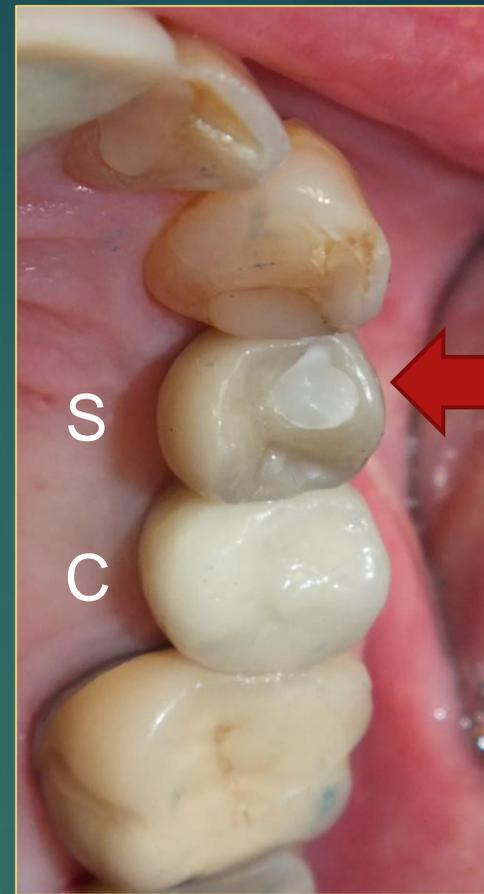
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**Abutment-Prosthesis
Misfit Subgingival**



D) Like Dealing With Screw-Access-Holes?



- Access-Hole Maintenance
- Esthetics
- Occlusion

**Patients with 4 or more implants
were 15X
more likely to have Peri-implantitis**

**77% of their Prosthetics
were installed by the Screw-in Technique**

Effectiveness of Implant Therapy Analyzed in a Swedish Population: Prevalence of Peri-implantitis. Derks et al. J Dental Research, 2016 Vol 95(1):43-49 (588 patients with 2,277 implants)



“NO Predictable Treatment of Peri-Implantitis”

Primary Prevention of peri-implantitis: Managing of peri-implant mucositis

Jepsen S et al. J Clin Periodontol 2015;42 (Suppl. 16) S152

**Is Managing Mucositis
Primary Prevention?
How Should We Do That?**



**Effective Implant Decontamination
May Be the First Treatment Step ...**

But ... How Do We Fix Macrogaps?



Has this Inaccuracy Problem Already Solved by Digital Technology?

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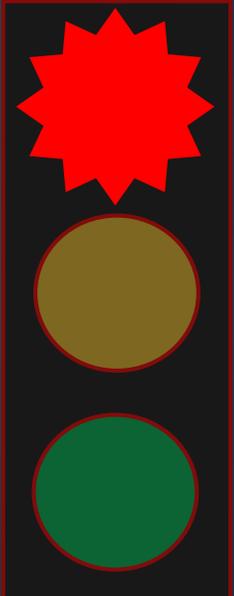
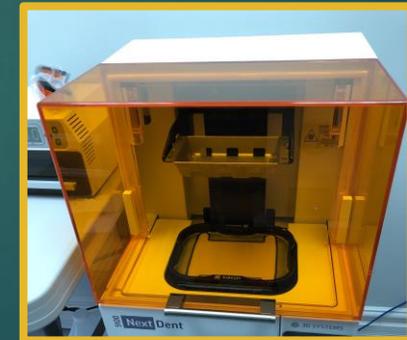
Rutkūnas V et al., Accuracy of digital implant impressions with intraoral scanners. A systematic review. Eur J Oral Implantol. 2017;10(Suppl1):101–120



In TOTAL: 1 *in vivo* and 15 *in vitro* studies.
The clinical study concluded that angular and distance errors were too large to be acceptable clinically.



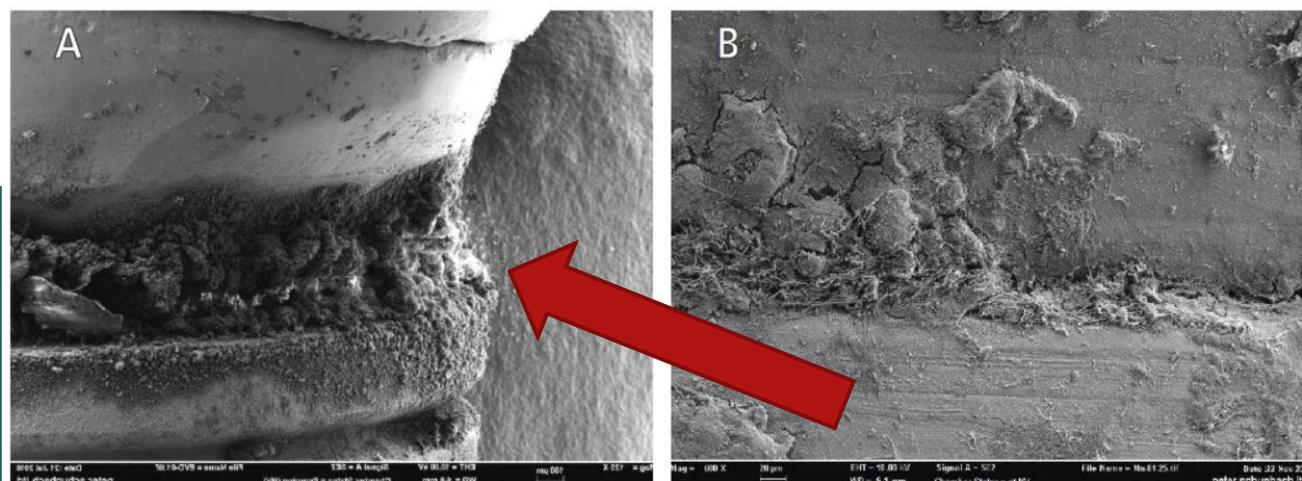
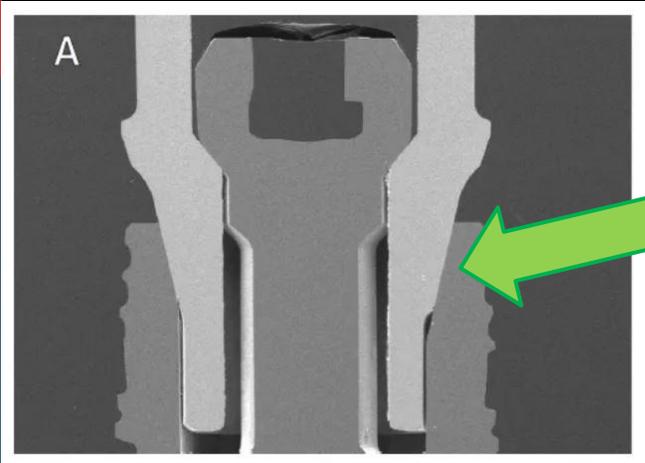
Conclusions: Data on accuracy of digital records, as well as accuracy of printed or milled models are of high relevance and are still lacking.



NO - Not Yet!

Implant Company: “Our Parts Are Made to Fit Great. Dentists Do Not Assemble Units Properly!”

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FIGURES 6A and 6B. Microscopic views show a poorly adapted implant abutment connection interface on a failed implant (A). Poor adaptation allowed microbial growth (B), which had a negative impact on the implant treatment outcome.

Understanding Implant Abutment Connection Interfaces. *C Wadhvani*, April 11, 2018
Implant Dentistry, Latest Features, Oral Surgery, Periodontics, Prosthodontics

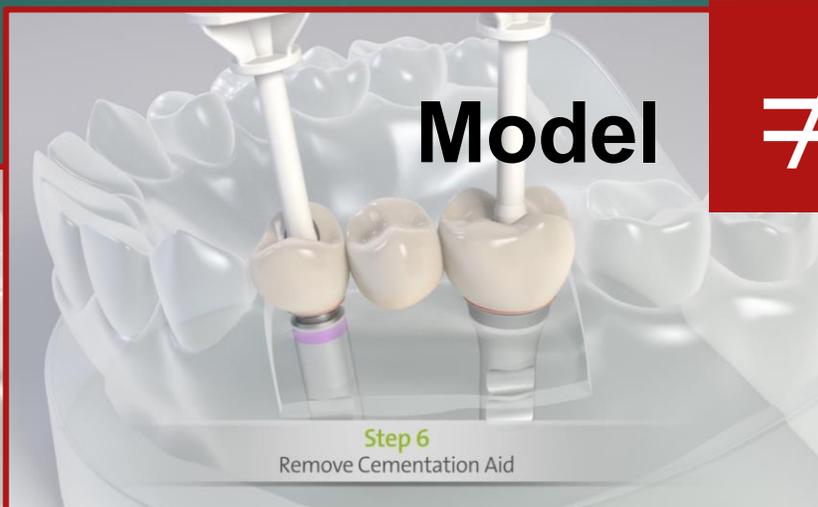
Fatal Assumption Model = Mouth



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Step 1
Assemble finalized framework



Step 6
Remove Cementation Aid



Model

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Mouth



Straumann Variobase®

Step 2
Transfer restoration to master cast

Following their Installation Instructions
Will NOT consistently result in an Optimized Fit!

What Good are Great Parts When Dentists are Unable Optimize their Fit in the Mouth?

**External Hex, Internal Hex
*** Conical with Platform Switch**

**Many Implant Companies make
Great Conical Connections**

**Optimizing the Fit, Optimizes
Mechanical & Biological Stability**



Government Regulators Believe Joint Stability is Important

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Manufacturers Research Predicts Performance of
Optimized Connections Tested According to
ISO 14801:2016 Standards

Shouldn't Dentists be able to
Install Abutments According to
Manufacturer's Specifications and
Government Regulations?



A Solution Begins with

Understanding

Model \neq Mouth

and

Building Tolerance for Error

Today We Can Mitigate PDE ...

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**To Prevent the Abutment-Prosthesis
and Implant-Abutment Misfits**

**By a
Simple Change!**



Current Abutment-Prosthesis Misfit

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Connector-Prosthesis Complex

Lab Model
Dependent Fit
Inaccurate

***Misfit may be Subgingival!**

***Misfit**

Optimized
Fit

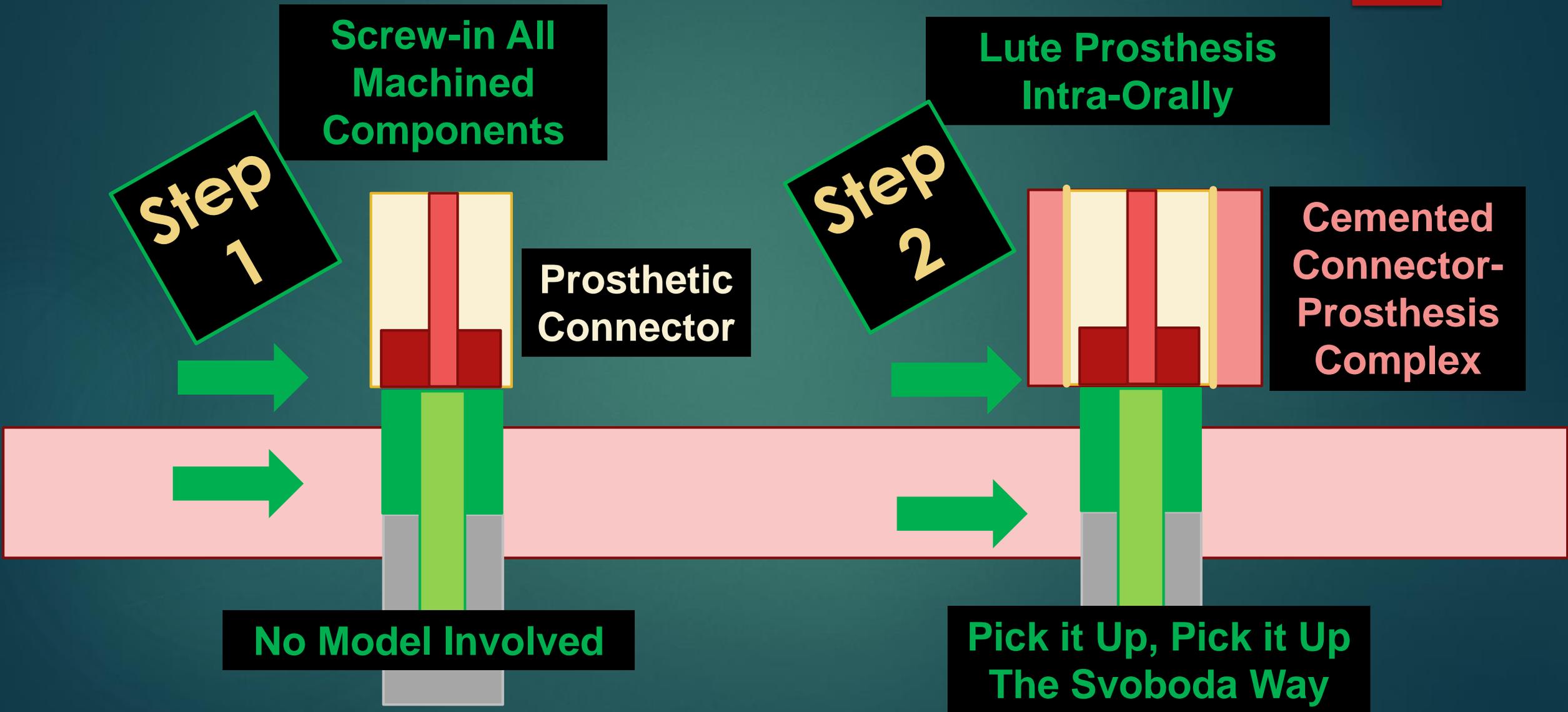
Gingiva

Abutment

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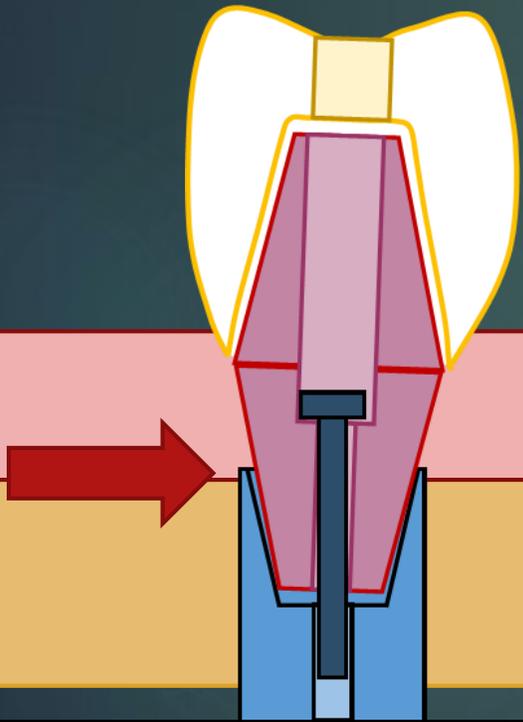
Machined Parts
30X More
Accurate

A Simple Change



Optimized Implant-Abutment Fit

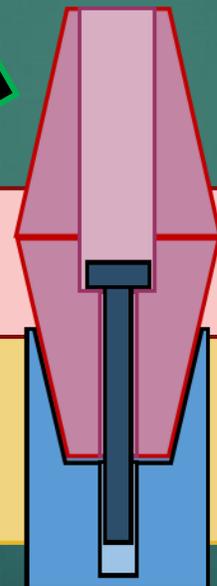
Current Screw-in Crown & Bridge



Implant-Abutment Misfit

Screw-in Abutments Individually

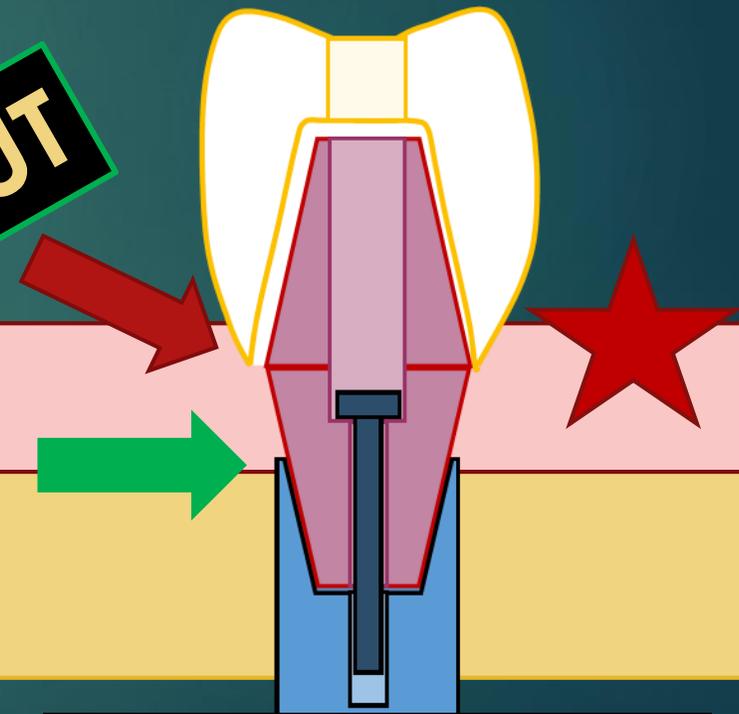
The Step!



No Model Involved Optimized Fit

Now Like Current Cement-in Crown & Bridge

BUT



Margin & Cement Problems

Screw-in Misfits

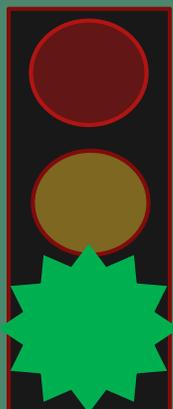
Can Be Prevented
By Installing
Accurately
Machined Components
Into the Mouth
With No Prosthesis Attached!



Now “The Steps” Make the Screw-in Prosthesis Installation Process Like the Cement-in Installation Technique



**Optimized Machined
Component Fits
Can Be Achieved Routinely!**



Protocol for Intra-Oral Cementation Abutments Installed First!

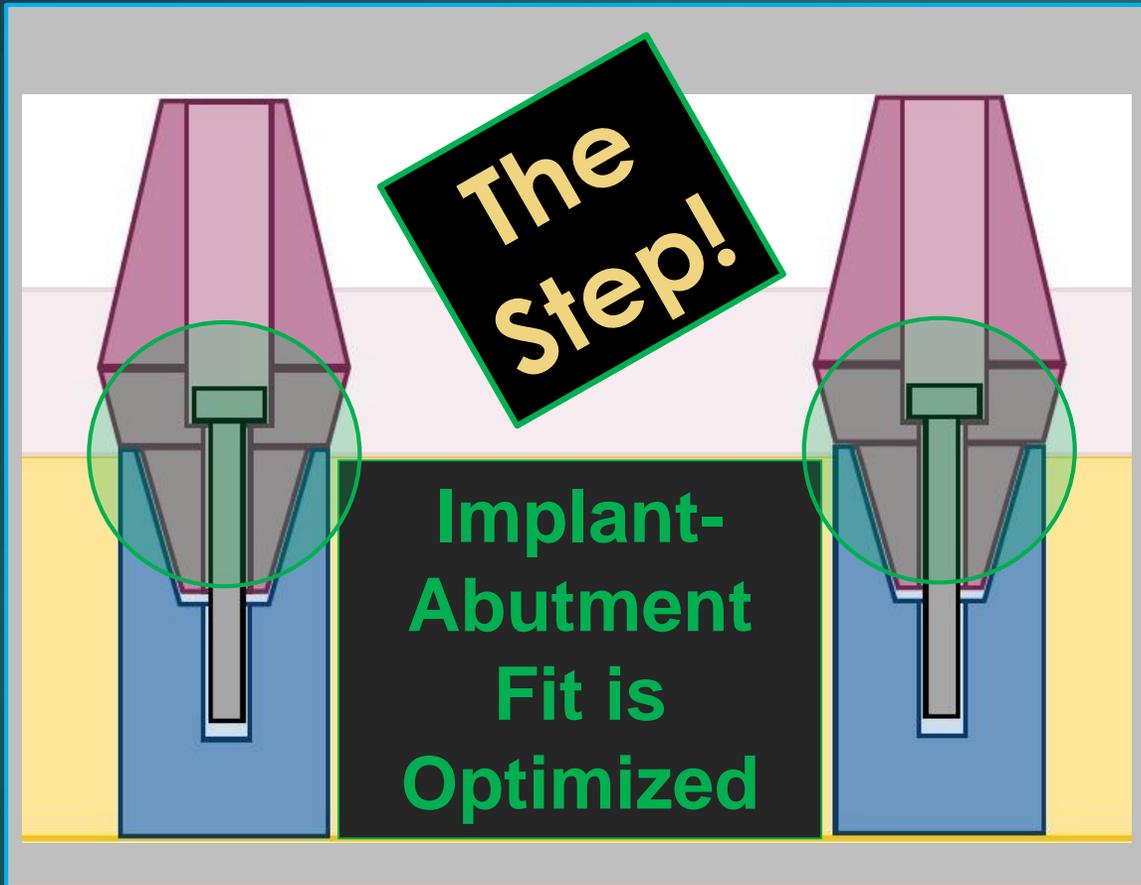
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Parts Manufacturing Accuracy ($\pm 5 \mu\text{m}$)
30X More Accurate
than Model Accuracy ($\pm 150 \mu\text{m}$)

Current Cement-in Technique

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The Behavior of these Connections Can be Predicted According to Manufacturer's Research Results



BUT, How Do We Safely

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Attach the Prosthesis

to the Retainers Inside the Mouth

**Preventing Poor Margins, Subgingival Cement
& Cement VOIDS**

that can be Inhabited by Oral Pathogens?

**These are Old Problems that Have Never
Been Solved For Teeth or Dental Implants**

Is Intra-oral Cementation Just A Big Can of Worms?



Did You Know that Prosthodontists in a University Setting Restoring Implants Left Subgingival Cement 60% of the Time?

Why Does this Happen?
Is Our Understanding of this
Common Dental Process
Deficient and/or Flawed?



Korsch M, Obst U, Walther W. Cement-associated peri-implantitis: a retrospective clinical observational study of fixed implant-supported restorations using a methacrylate cement. Volume 25, Issue 7, July 2014, pgs 797-802

Let's Find the Root Causes of Residual Subgingival Cement



What do we understand about intra-oral cementation? It is a hydraulic event.*



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Excess cement can be:

1. difficult to control**
2. deep in the subgingival spaces*, **
3. difficult to detect and remove**
4. a risk factor for periodontitis & peri-implant disease***
5. removed by endoscopic or surgical means***

*Cementation in Dental Implantology. An Evidence Based Guide. Edited by Chandur P.K. Wadhvani. Published by Springer 2015.

****The Influence of the cementation margin position on the amount of undetected cement. A prospective clinical study. Tomas Linkevicius et al. Clinical Oral Implants Research. Vol 24, Issue 1, 71-76, Jan 2013.**

***Thomas G Wilson Jr. The Positive Relationship Between Excess Cement and Peri-implant Disease: A Prospective Clinical Endoscopic Study. J. Periodont 2009;1388-1392



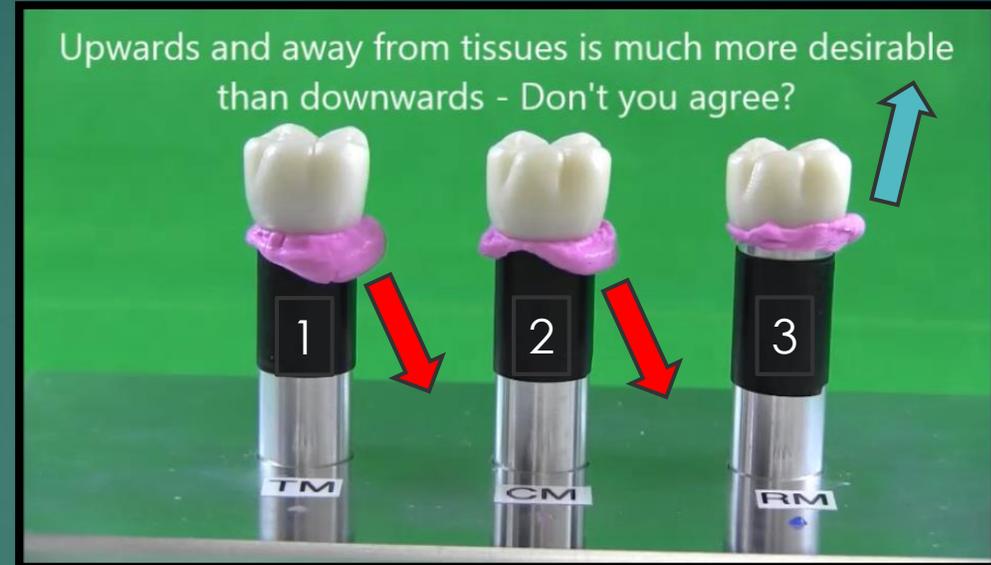
Effects of Margin Design on Flow of Excess Cement

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Effects of Margin Design on Flow of Excess Cement



Arrows Indicate Margin Slope

- 1) Tapered
- 2) Chamfer
- 3) Reverse Margin

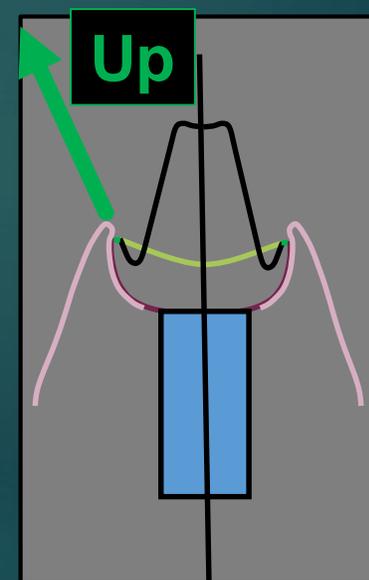
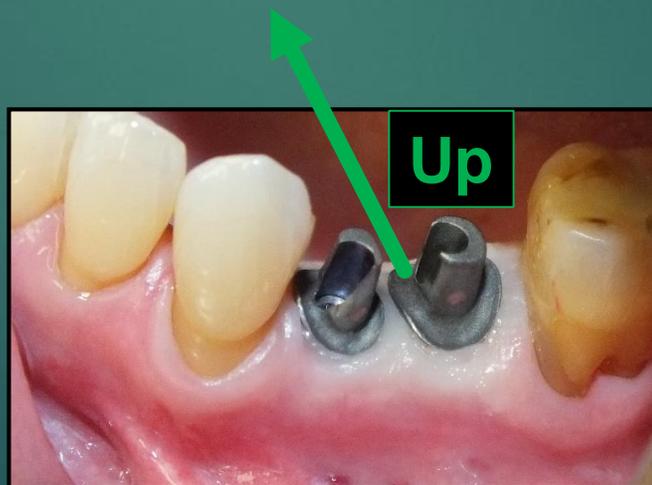
Arrows Indicate Cement Flow

- 1) Tapered - **Down**
- 2) Chamfer - **Down**
- 3) Reverse Margin - **Up**

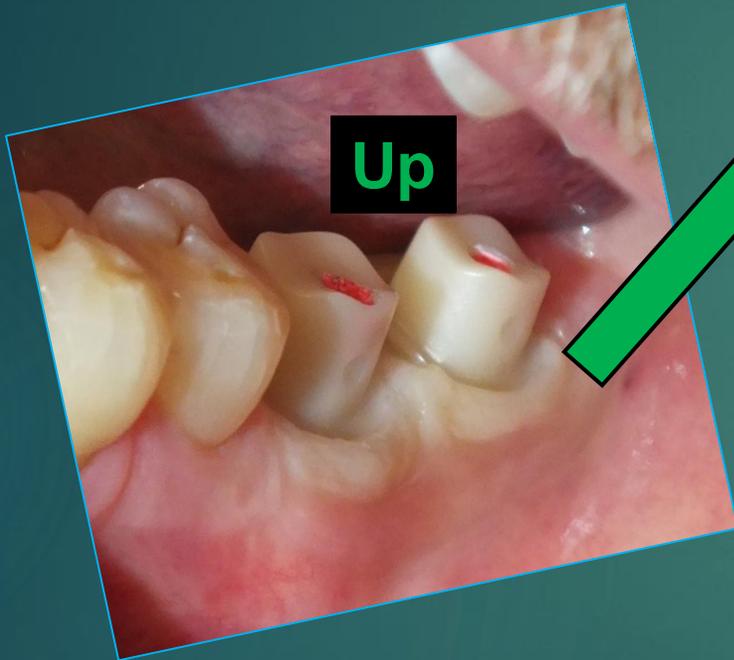
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Margin Design Effects the Direction of Cement Flow!

Why Choose Margin Designs that
Direct Excess Cement into Tissues??



This Super Margin Design Can Move Excess Cement ...



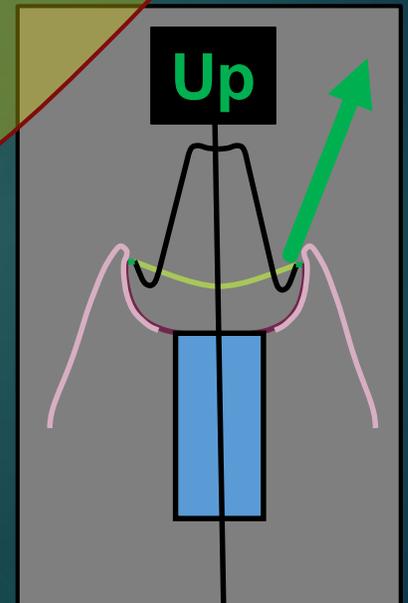
UP

UP

&

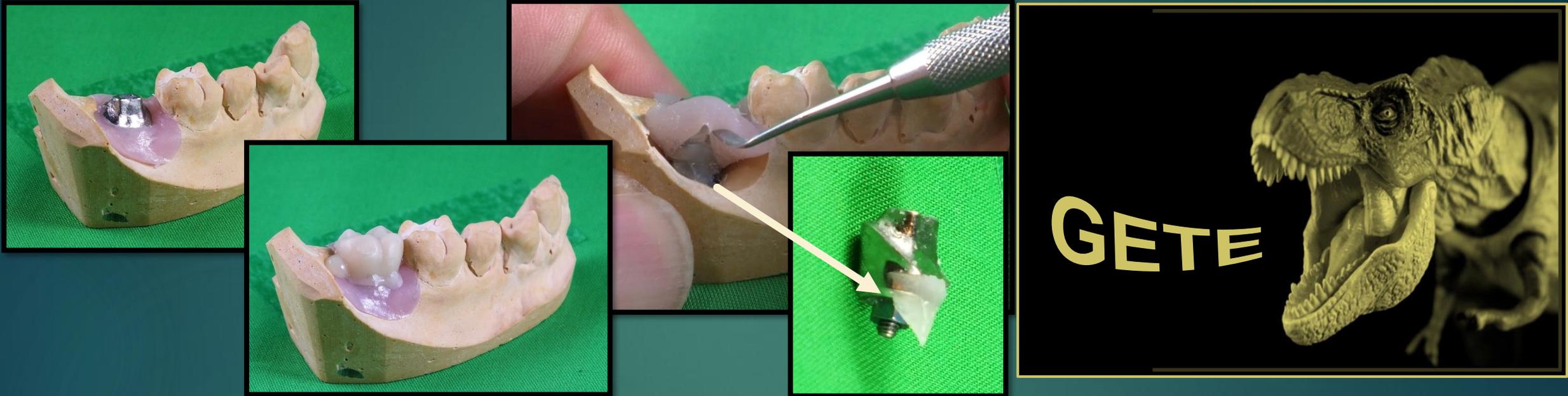
UP

ALWAYS



“Gingival Effects” Discovered

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When “Gingiva” was Present, Excess Cement was Projected Under the Gingiva, Regardless of Margin Design!

Svoboda ELA. Controlling Excess cement During the Process of Intra-oral Prosthesis Cementation: Overcoming the Gingival Effects. OralHealth, Oct 2015; 52-66.

The “Gingival Effects” can Increase the Problem of Subgingival Cement

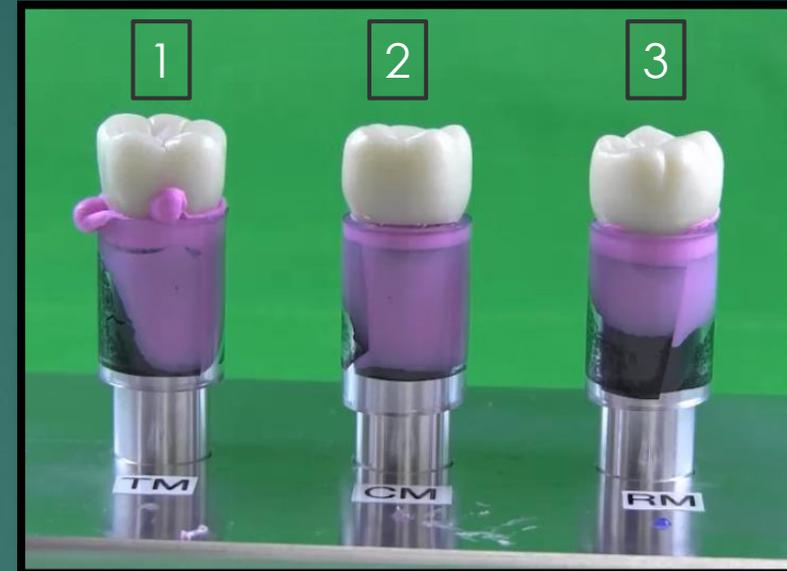
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The “Gingival Effects” can Increase the Problem of Subgingival Cement

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Three Margin Designs

- 1) Tapered
- 2) Chamfer
- 3) Reverse Margin

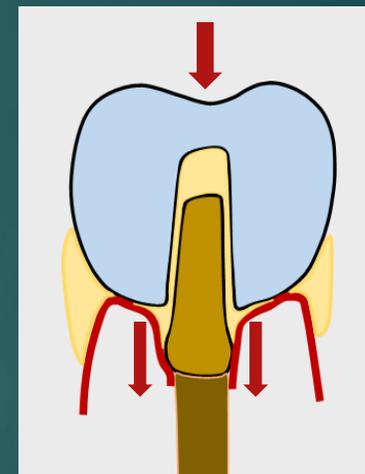
Clear Tygon Tubing Simulates Gingiva

Regardless of Margin Design, excess cement became trapped by a gingiva-crown seal during installation and was forced DEEP into the Subgingival Environment

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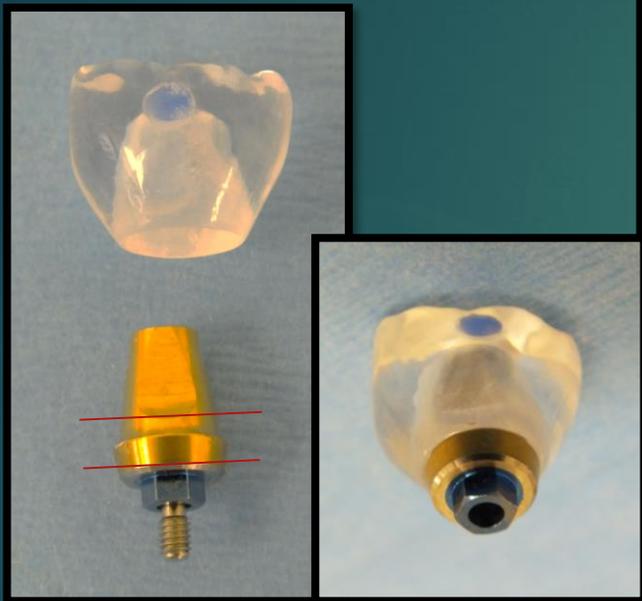
The Gingival Effects on Cement Flow Can Be HUGE

They include the 1) Deflection Effect, 2) Eddy Effect, 3) Plunger Effect, 4) Bellows Effect 5) ...

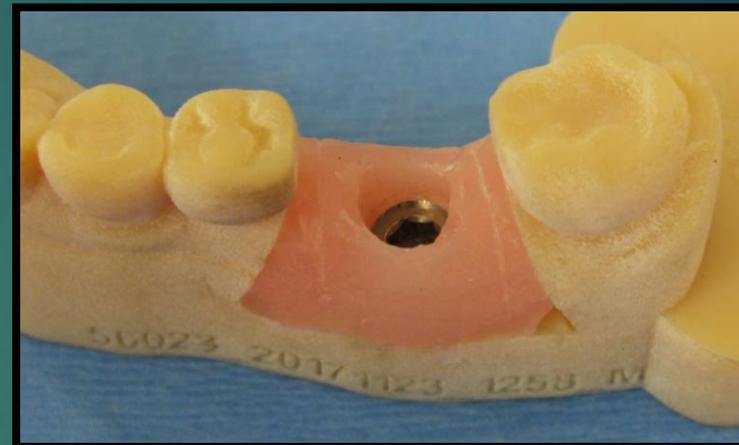
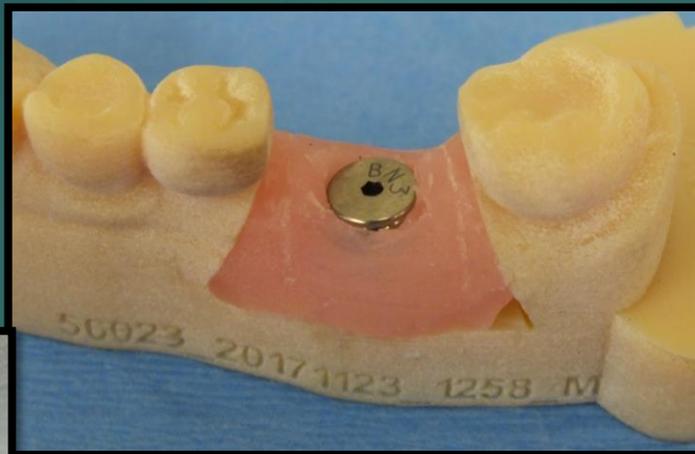


**Narrow Abutments with Wider Profile Crowns are the Worst!
We All Need to Understand Why!**

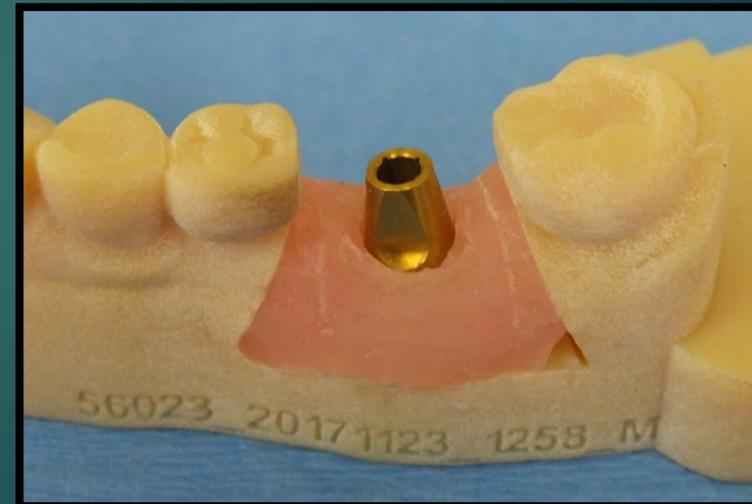
Lab Experiment Stock Abutment & the Gingival Effects



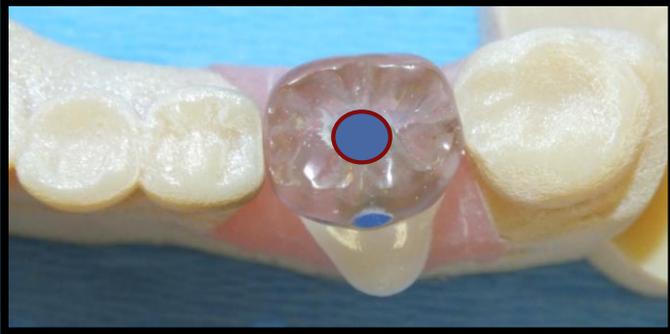
Excellent Fit of Solid Crown on Abutment



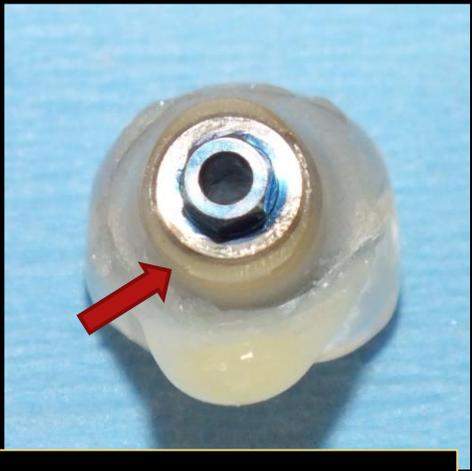
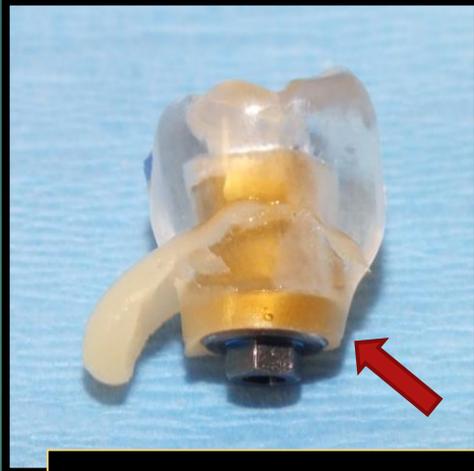
3 mm Cover



Gingival Effects Can Cause Abundant Subgingival Cement



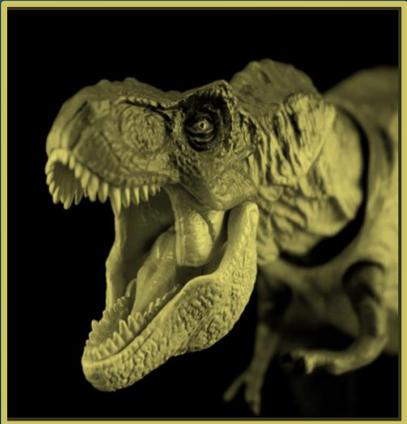
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Abundant Subgingival Cement



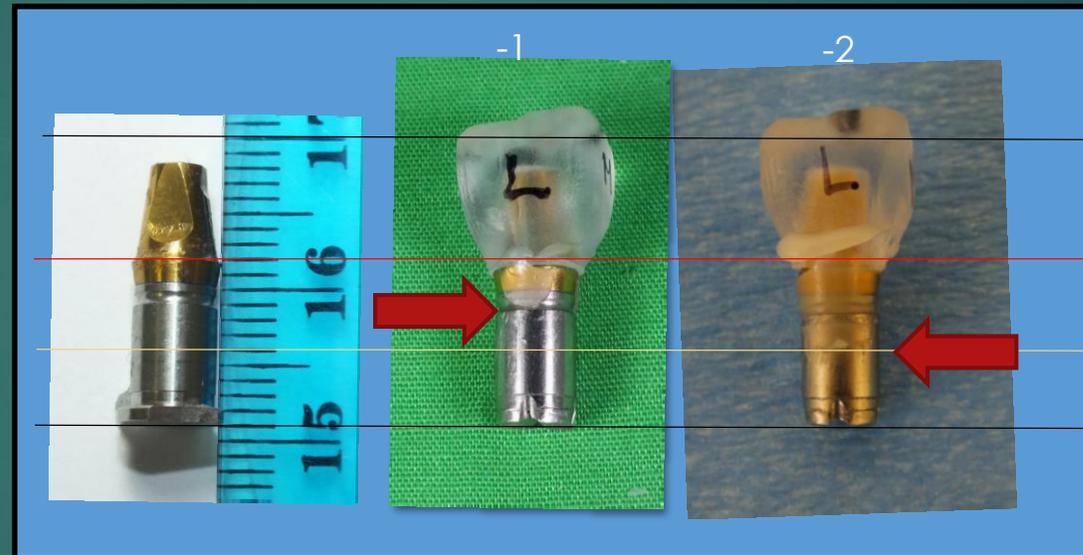
Access Hole Drilled For Crown Removal



100% of 20 Trials Abundant Sub-Marginal Cement & Open Margins*

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Lingual Abutment Margin



Distance of Cement from Gingival Margin

-1 mm average 4.5 mm, range 3.6-5.2 mm

-2 mm average 6.3 mm, range 5.2-8.0 mm

T-1≠T-2, P 0.01, Mann Whitney U Test



Clinical Experiment #1: Stimulating the Gingival Effects

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Biting Force
to Seat Crown

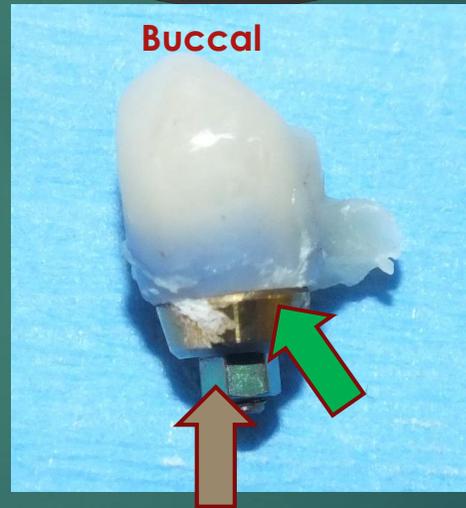
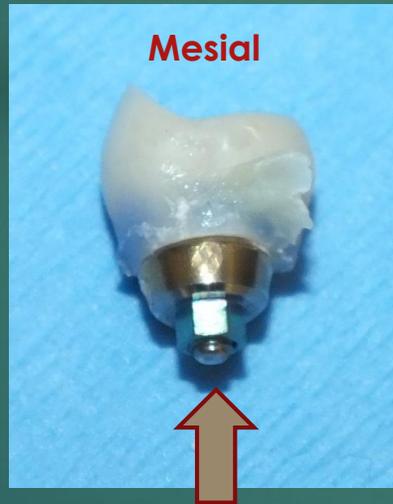
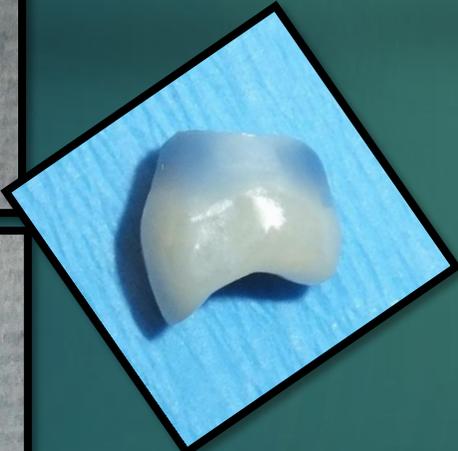
Abundant
Residual
Subgingival
Cement

Excellent Fit of Crown
on Abutment

Wide Crown and High Seating Force Can Cause Subgingival Cement

Clinical Experiment #2

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Gingival Effects Can Cause:

- 1) Open Margins**
- 2) Residual Subgingival Cement**

Residual Subgingival Cement & Open Margins

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(Gingival Resistance to Displacement by Crown?)



Do subgingival tissue fluids displace cement from margins?

Are Stock Abutments Safe for Intra-oral Cementation? Not With Subgingival Margins!

Every Implant Company
Sells Stock Abutments
Because Dentists
Still Buy Them



Product Use Depicted in these Cartoons Are Not Designed for Safe Intra-oral Cementation!

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Replacement of multiple teeth with an implant-supported bridge – Adjacent natural teeth remain intact, and bone is preserved over time.

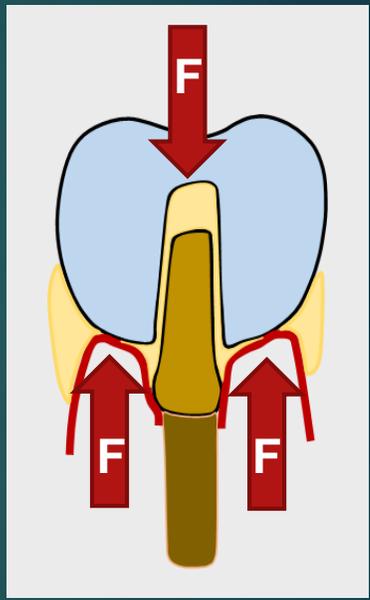
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Gingival Effect #5

“Resistance to Displacement Effect”

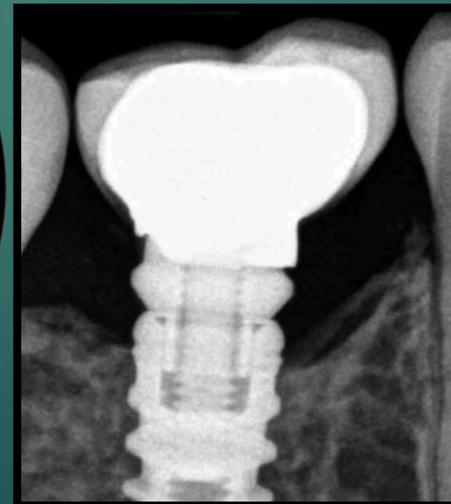
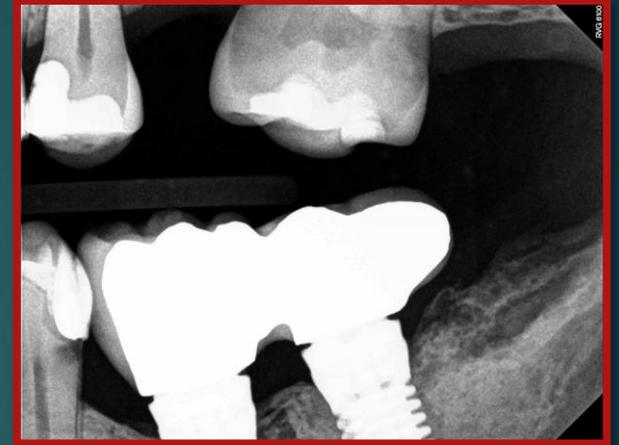
Can Cause the
“Dreaded Open Margin”

Stiffer Gingiva Can Further Increase
Subgingival Cement



ELA Svoboda. Controlling Excess Cement During The Process of Intra-oral Prosthesis Cementation: Overcoming the Gingival Effects. OralHealth Oct 2015;52-66 and at www.ReverseMargin.com.

Residual Subgingival Cement & Open Margins Are Common Complications



Causing Open Margins

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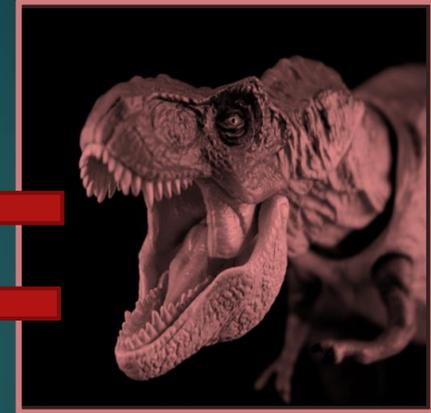
Prosthesis Dimensional Error

a) Tight Contacts

- i. Adjacent dental units
- ii. Adjacent retainers

b) Inadequate Cement Space

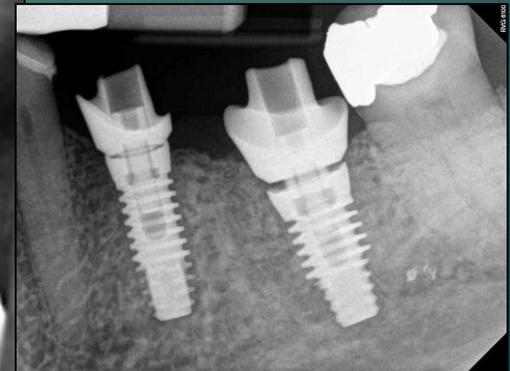
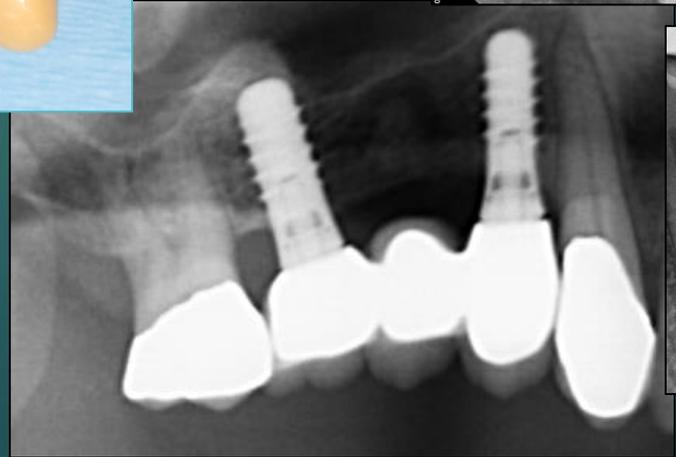
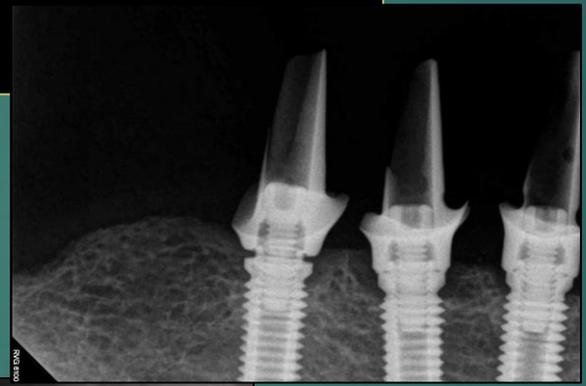
- i. Cause binding of prosthesis on retainer
- ii. Allow excess cement to exit prosthesis



Causing Open Margins

Tissue Effects (Hard & Soft)

- a) Resistance to displacement
- b) Tissue impingement



Gingiva
Tissue Fluids
Bone
Tooth

Gingival Resistance to Displacement Increases as it Approaches Bone and Adjacent Teeth

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The Gingival Effects

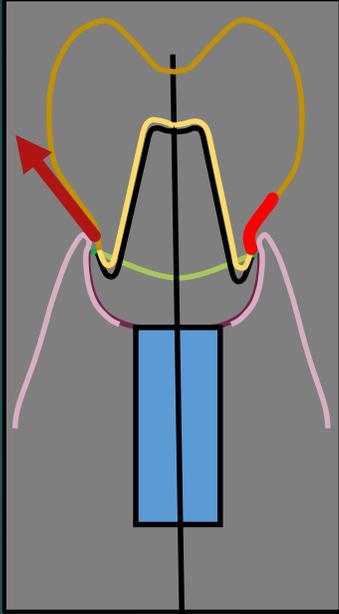
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Are a Root Cause
of Complications
(Subgingival Cement, Open Margins)
Common to the
Cement-in Technique



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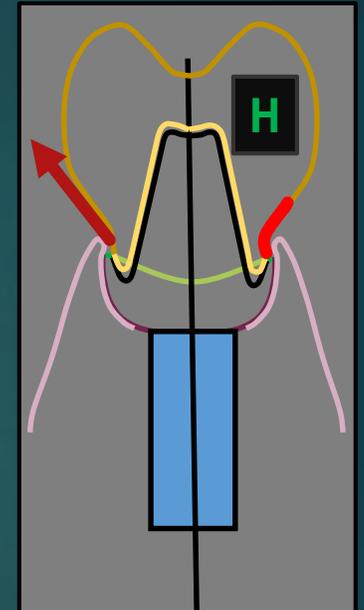
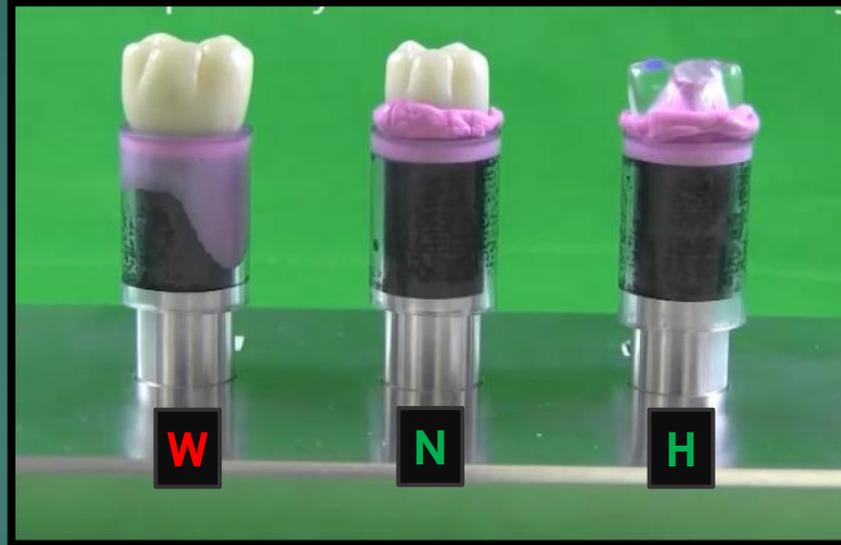
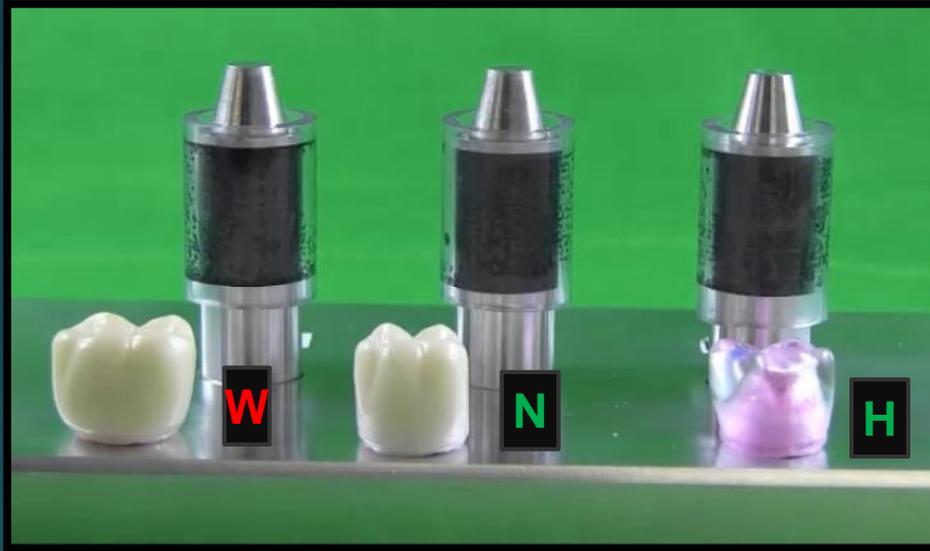
Overcoming the “Gingival Effects” by Prosthesis Design



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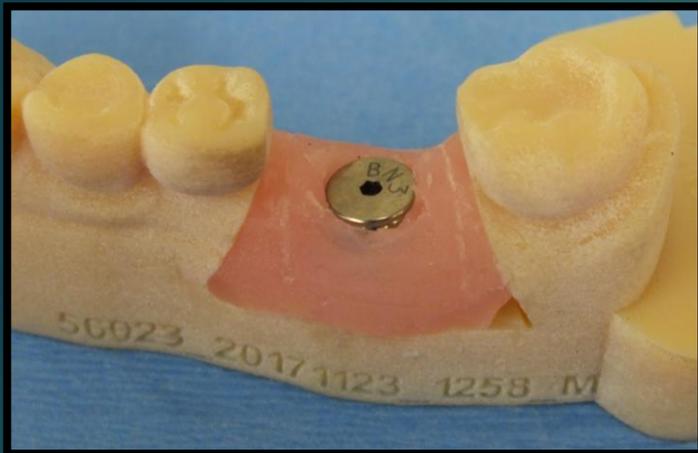
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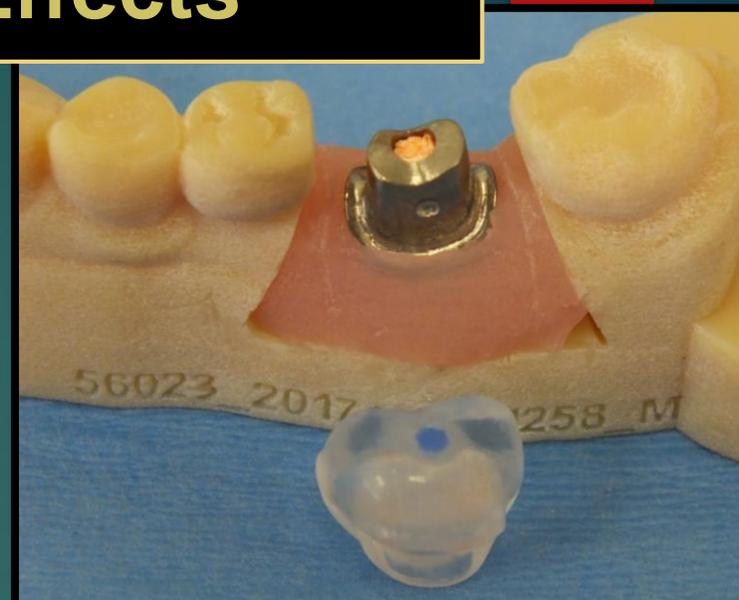
All Rods have Reverse Margins, Crowns Shapes are Wide, Narrow and Hybrid
The W is wider than the adjacent gingiva. N has a space between the gingiva and crown, and the H is like N but transitions to a W shape above the gingiva
W Causes SubMarginal Cement but N and H do not!

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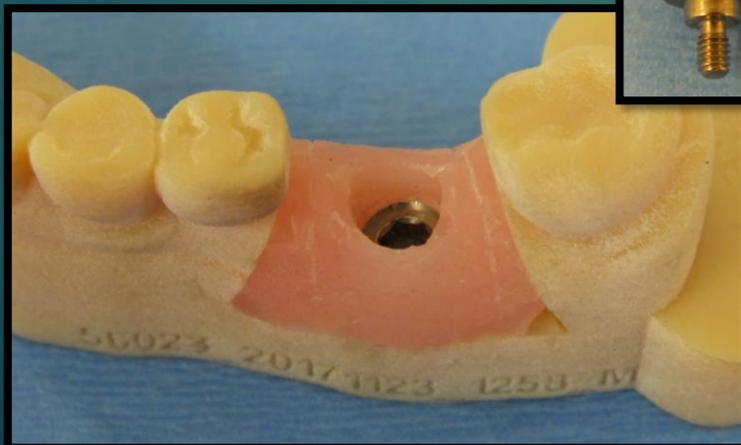
Lab Experiment #2: Custom Abutment & Crown Designed to Mitigate the Gingival Effects



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Margin 1 mm Subgingival



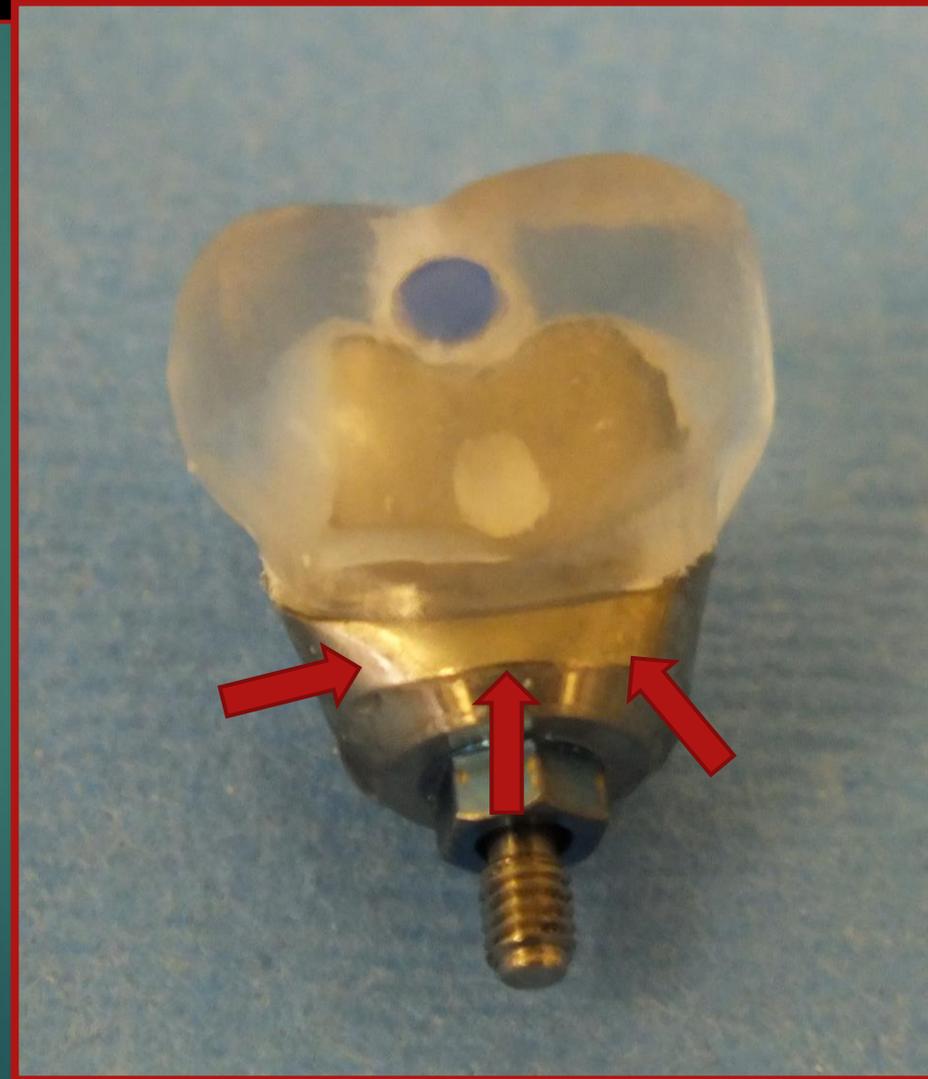
Crown in Place

Taut Gingiva Stretched Over Top of Abutment Margin Interacted with Crown Base

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Some Cement Went
Beyond Abutment
Margin in Spite of
Margin Design!



Buccal Margin 1 mm Under Gingiva

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All Reverse Margin Abutments - No Open Margins



Not Trimmed
All Have
Sub-Marginal Cement



Trimmed
None Have
Sub-Marginal Cement

“With External Cement Vent” – No Sub-Marginal Cement

Experiment #5 – Two Splinted Crowns



Margins Subgingival on Buccal

Clinical Experiments

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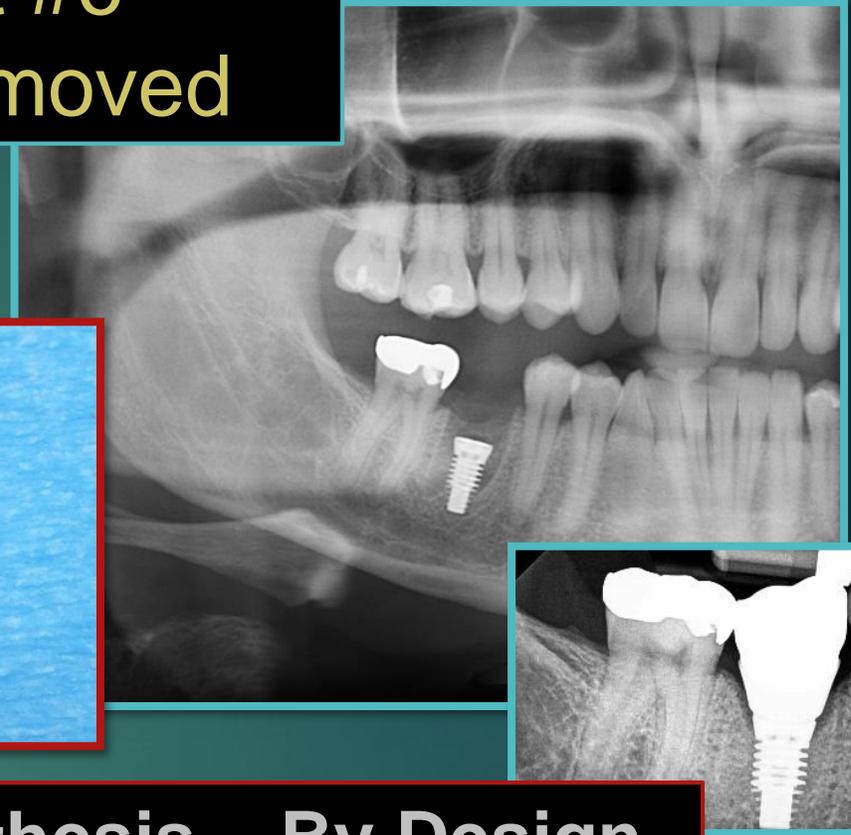
Experiment



Gingiva Does Not Interact with the Prosthesis – By Design

**Mitigating the Gingival Effects
No Sub-Marginal Cement, No Open Margins**

New Version Experiment #6 Expressed Cement Not Removed



Gingiva Does Not Interact with the Prosthesis – By Design

- 1) No Cement Beyond Margins
- 2) Optimized Implant-Abutment Connection
- 3) The Cemented Crown was Retrievable

These Safer Designs are Not Limited to Particular Materials



We Can Now Prevent

**The Gingival Effects
By Moving the Gingiva
Out of the Way By
Abutment-Prosthesis
Design**



BUT!

Prosthesis Dimensional Error

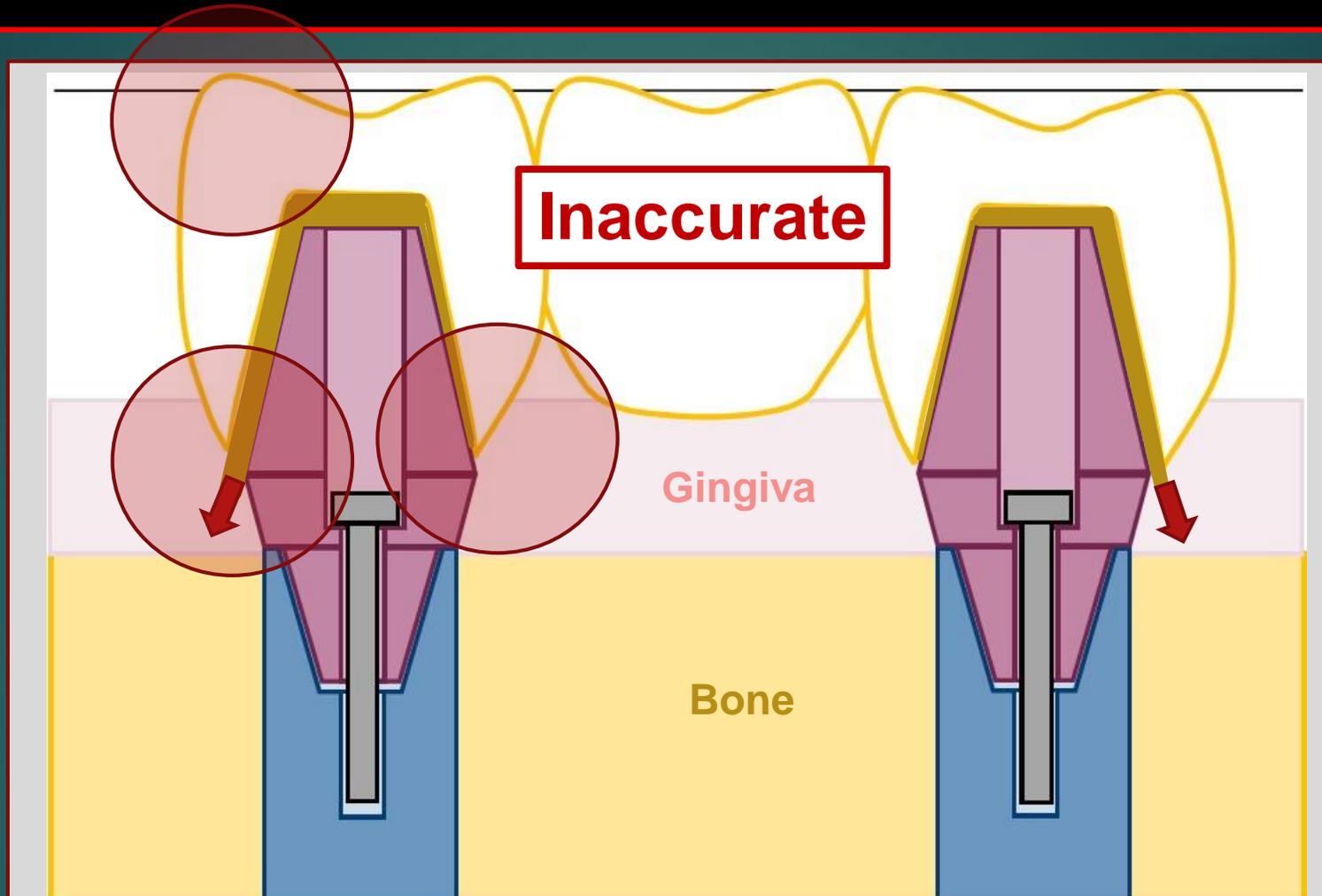
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Is also a Root Cause
of Multiple Risk Factors
Common to the
Cement-in Technique



Prosthesis Dimensional Error Can Cause:

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Poor Contacts, Hyperocclusion, Submarginal Cement, Overhanging, Overextended, Open Margins

Relationship of Residual Excess Cement to Peri-implant Disease

34 / 42 diseased implants (81%) had subgingival cement

After cement removal 25 of 33 (74%) no longer had signs of peri-implant disease “after 30 days”

Thomas G Wilson Jr. The Positive Relationship Between Excess Cement and Peri-implant Disease: A Prospective Clinical Endoscopic Study. J. Periodont 2009;1388

Still No Effective Treatment of Peri-implant Disease!

**Decontamination of Implant Surfaces
and Removal of Subgingival Cement
May Be Great First Treatment Steps ...**

**But ... How Do We Fix Overextended, Overhanging
and Open Margins?**

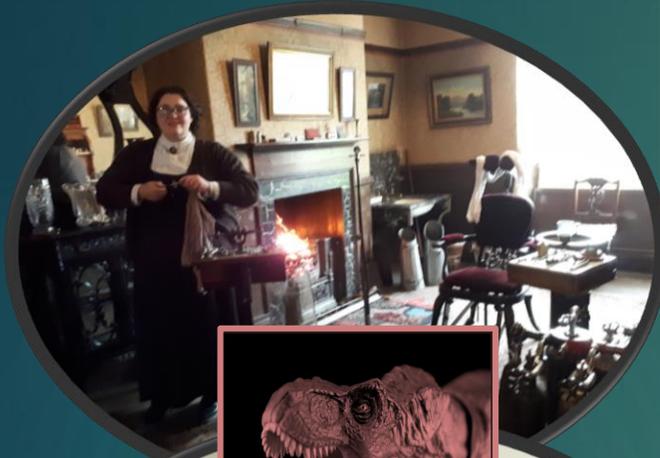
How Do We Fix Misfit Implant Parts?

**These Problems Need to be Prevented
For Treatment to be More Successful!**

Do you think Peri-Implant Disease Stayed Away after 30 days???

Let's Investigate

This BIG 100 Year Old Problem



Did you know?



**Dental Labs
& Milling Companies
Increase Cement Space
at the Margins
to make**

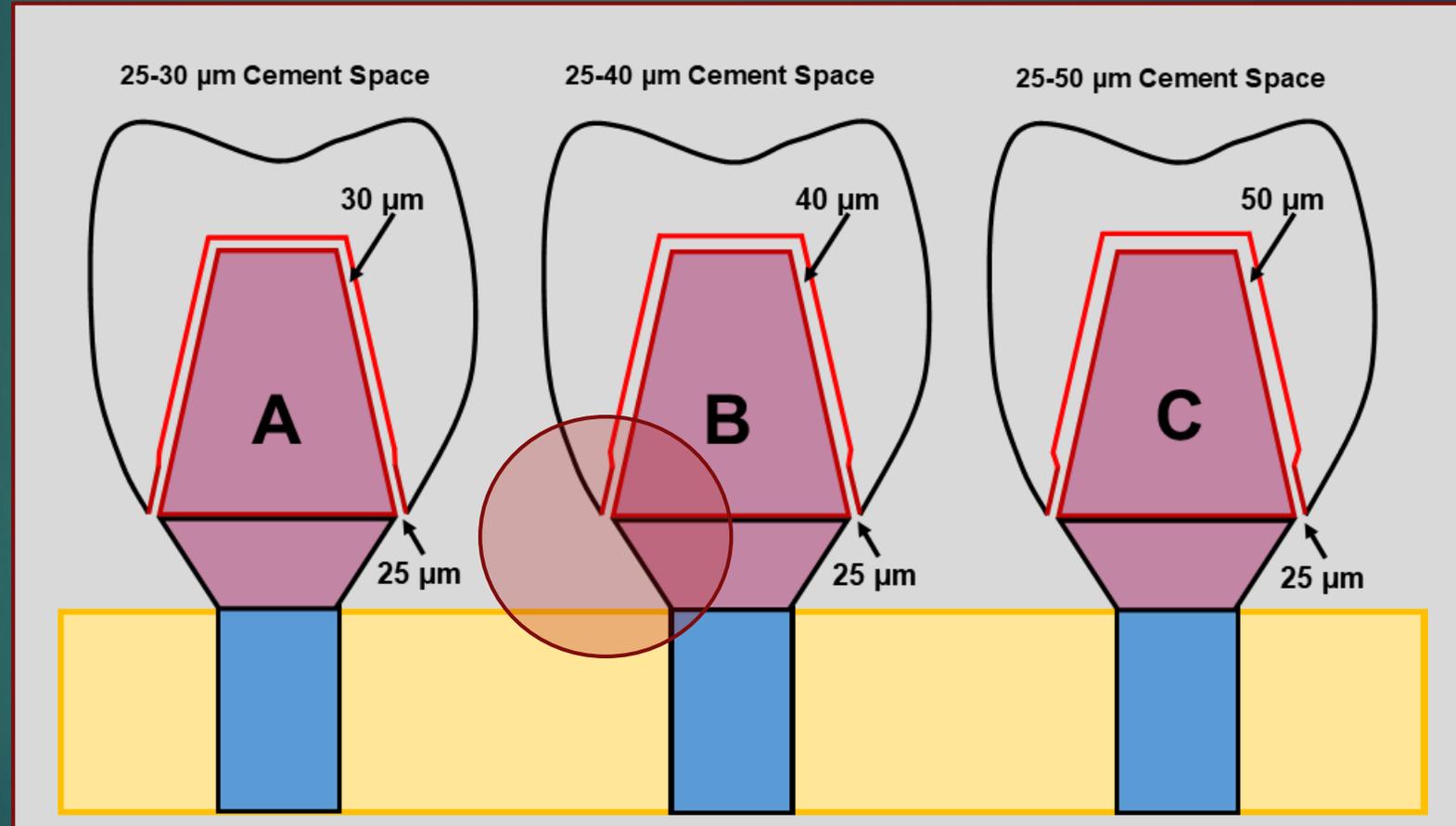


Prosthesis Installations Easier?

What happens to the Vertical Misfit when Cement Space is Increased?

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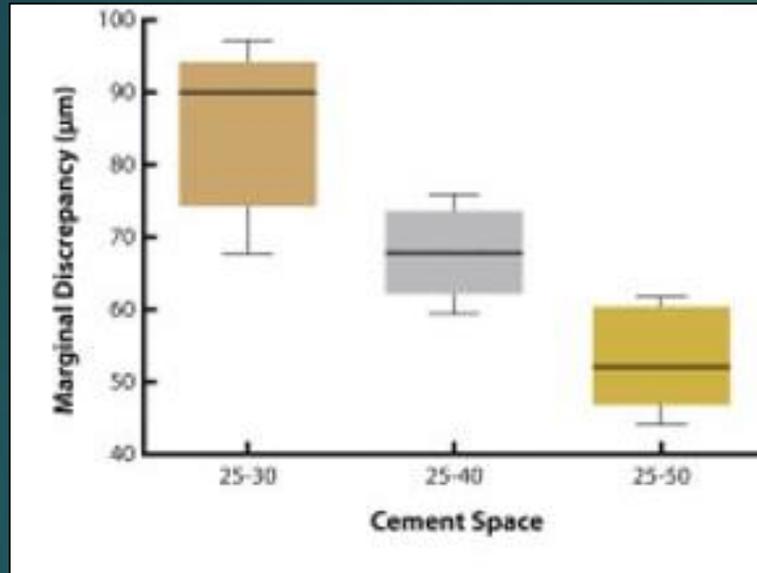
The Design



Kale E et al. Effect of cement space on the marginal fit of CAD-CAM-fabricated monolithic zirconia crowns. J. Periodont 2009;1388

With Increased Cement Space under Crown The Vertical Misfit Decreases

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Vertical Dimension Misfit

A (25 – 30) Ave 85 µm

B (25 – 40) Ave 68 µm

C (25 – 50) Ave 53 µm

To about Double the 25 µm
Default Overhang at the Margin

Single Tooth Cemented Restorations in vitro

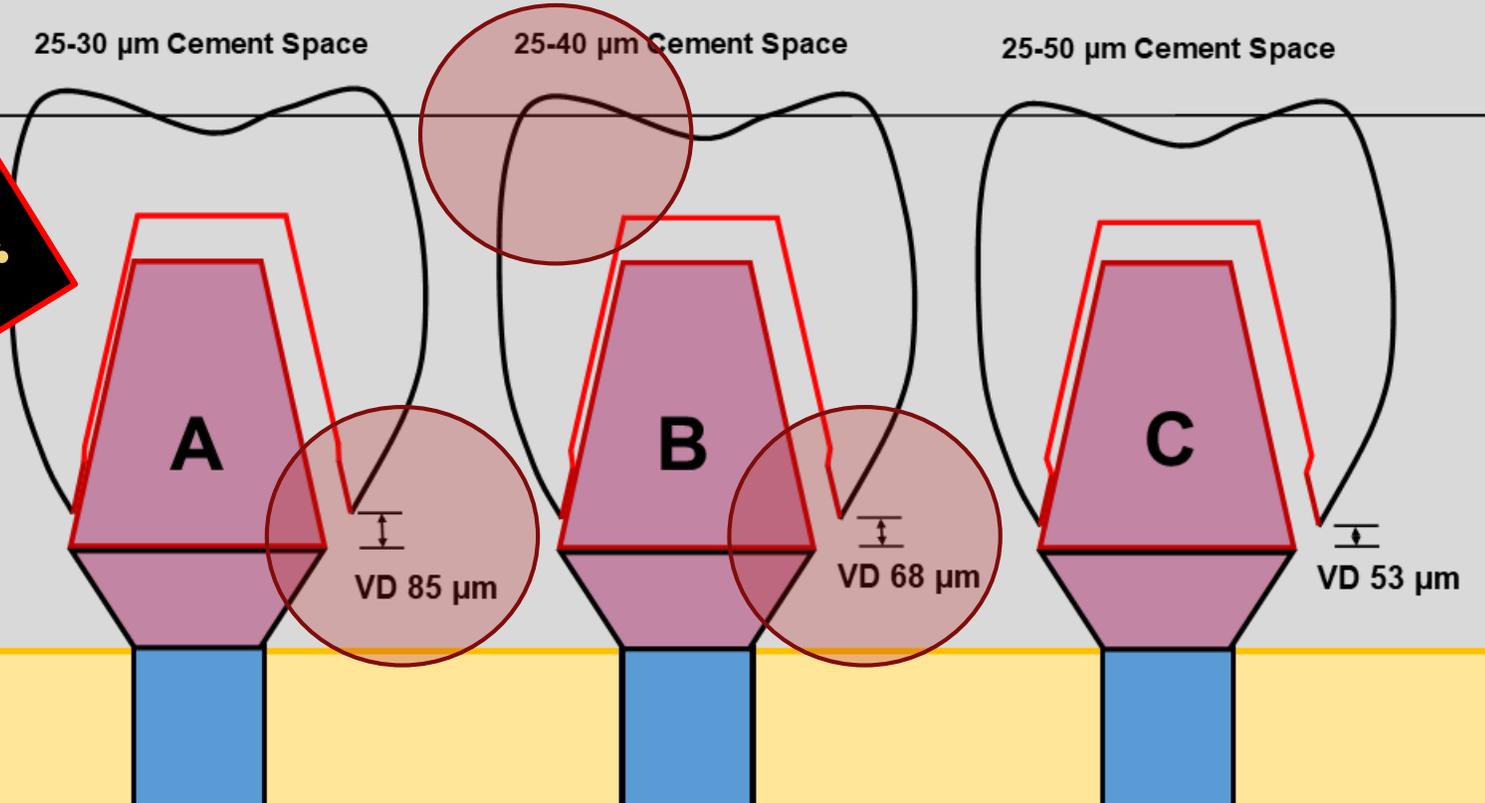
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A Lateral Crown Shift during Installation Increases the Overhang

25-30 μm Cement Space

25-40 μm Cement Space

25-50 μm Cement Space

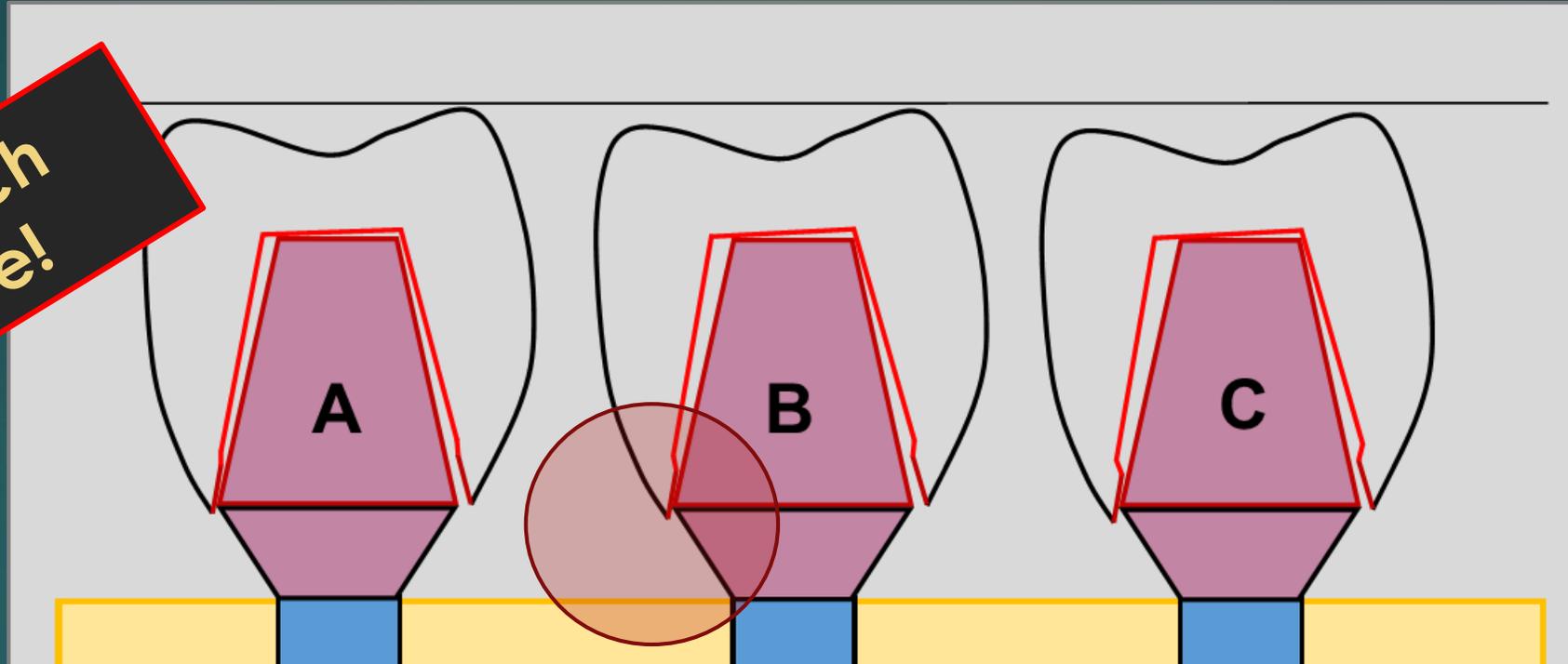


**Increased Overhanging and Open Margins
Hyperocclusion and Subgingival Cement**

What About Overextended Margins?

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Too Much
Space!

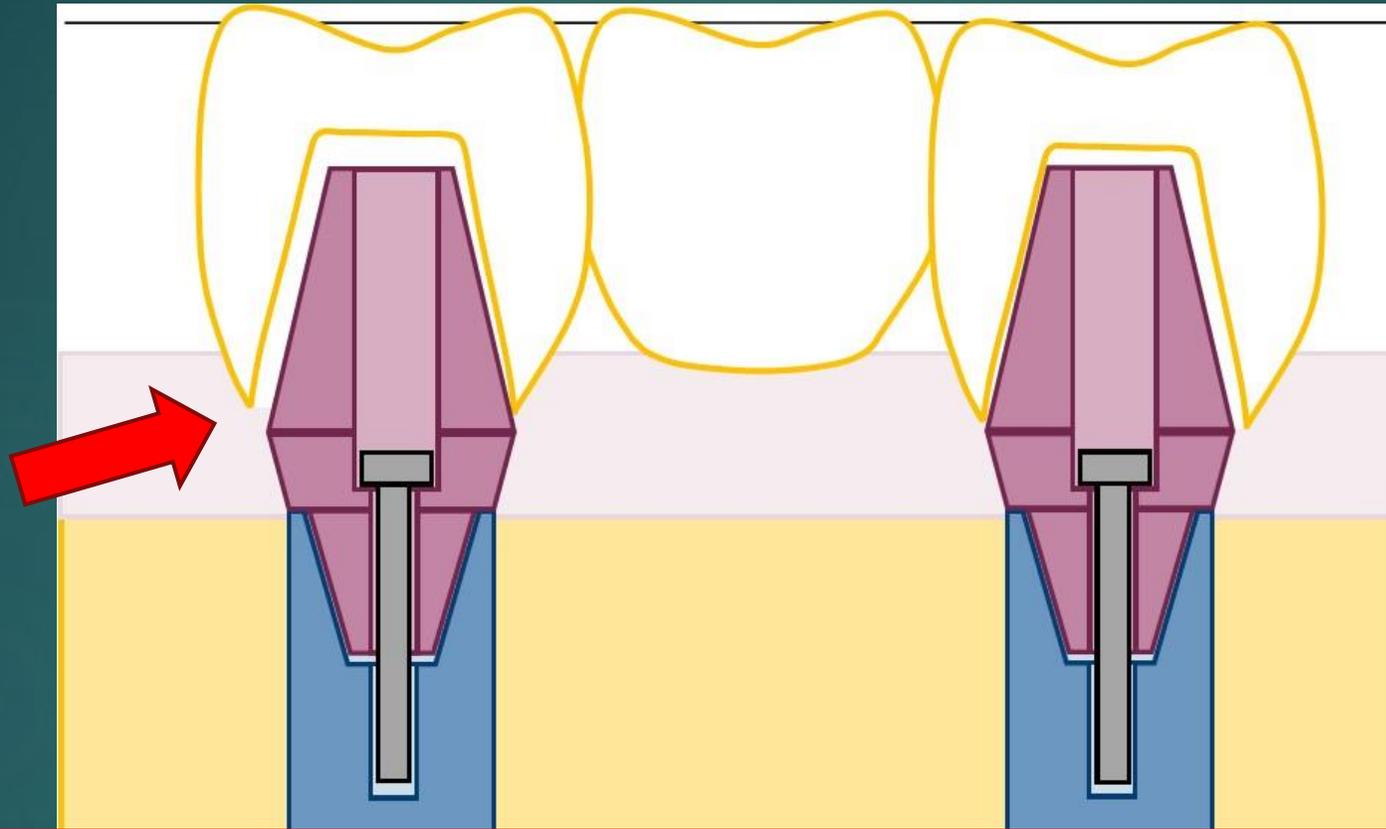


Wider Crowns were found in 86-97% of Cases
Overextended Margins 57-72% of Cases
Precise Fit of Crown Margin is Very Rare!

Kissov HK, Popova EV, Katsarov SG. Position of crown margin in relation to the tooth preparation line. Folia Med (Plovdiv). 2008 Apr-Jun;50(2)57-62.

Can We Safely Increase Cement Space to Compensate for Prosthesis Dimensional Error?

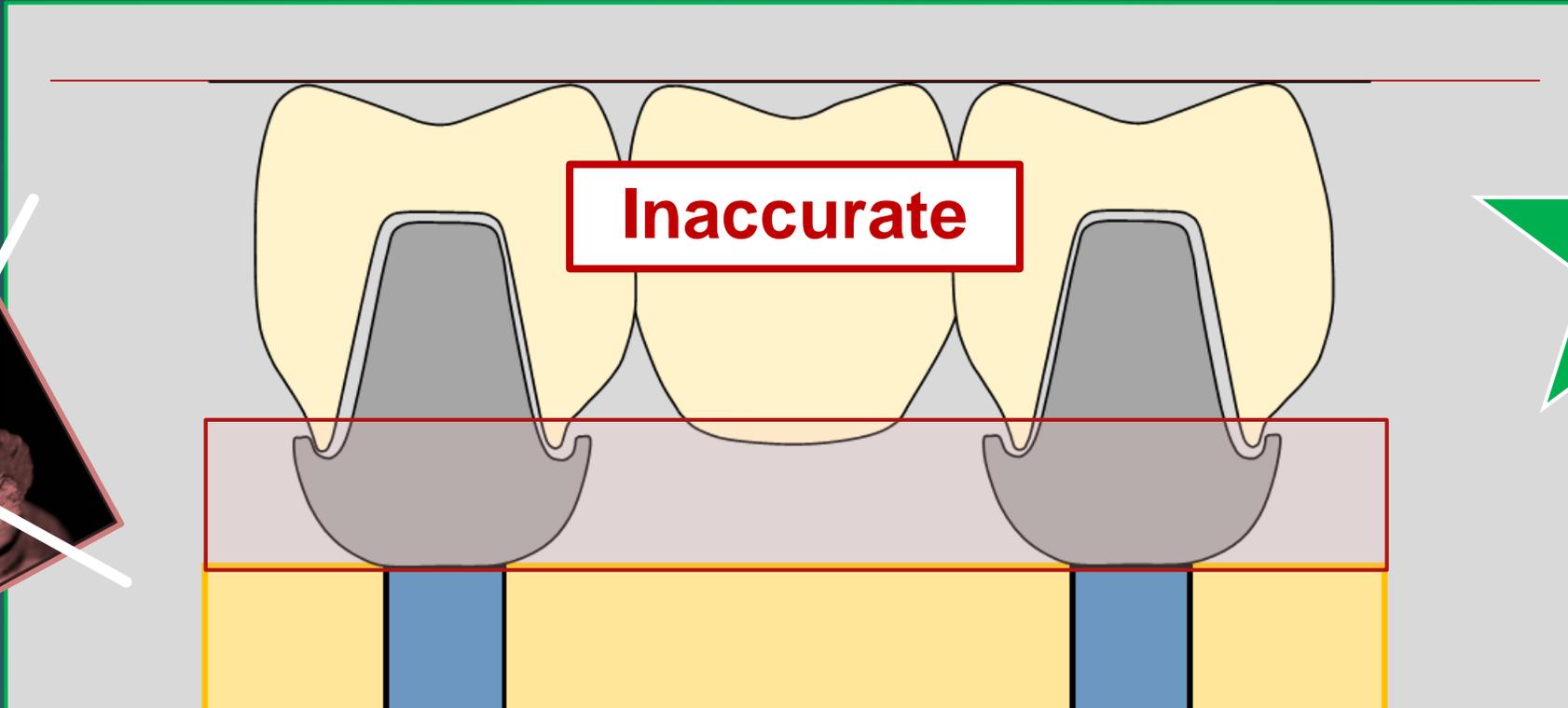
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**NOT With Downward (Tissue) Facing Margins
Overhanging and Overextended Margins Get Worse**

Can We Safely Increase Cement Space to Compensate for Prosthesis Dimensional Error with Upward Facing Margins?

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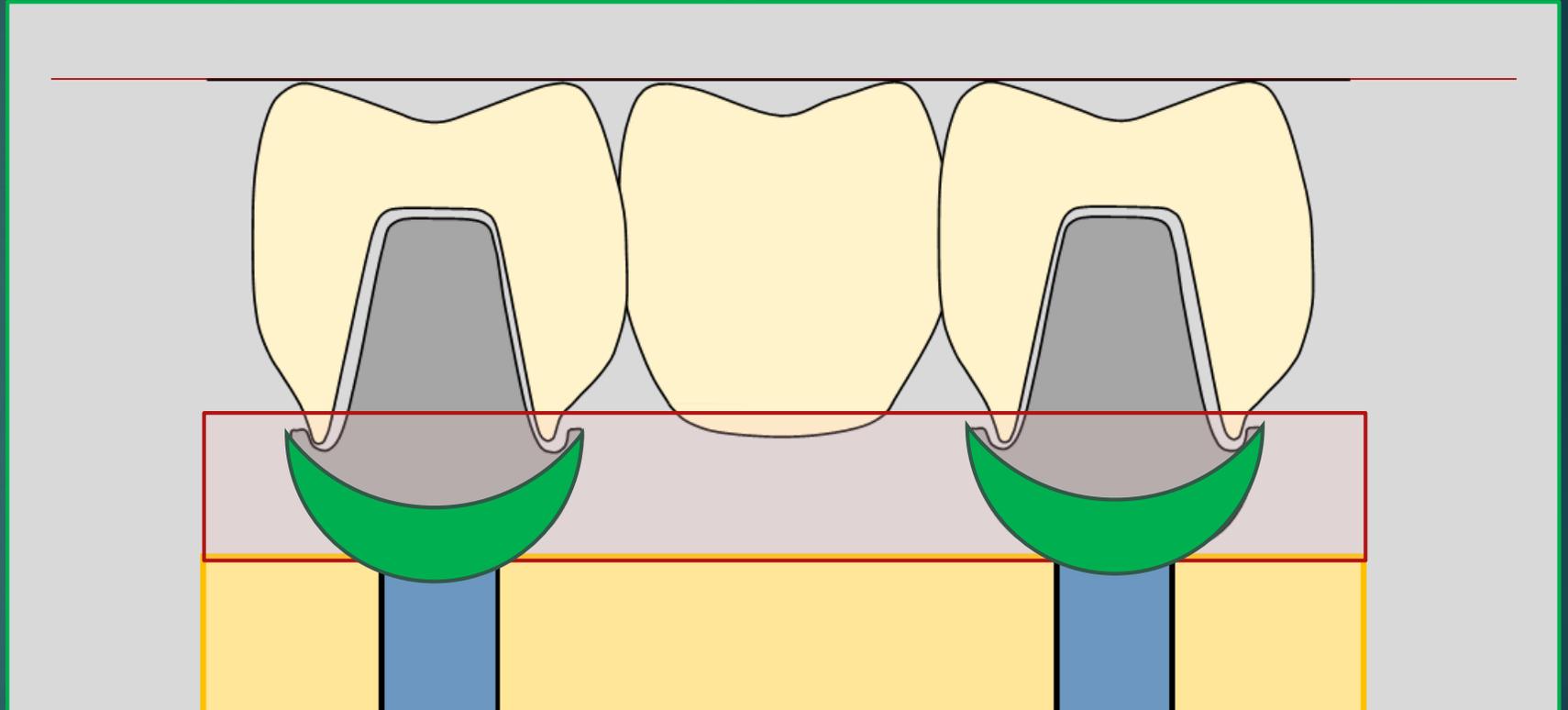


Cement Fills Space Between Upwards Facing Margins
No More Overhanging, Overextended and Open Margins

The Abutments Act like SHIELDS

Protecting Gingival from Interacting with the Base of the Prosthesis

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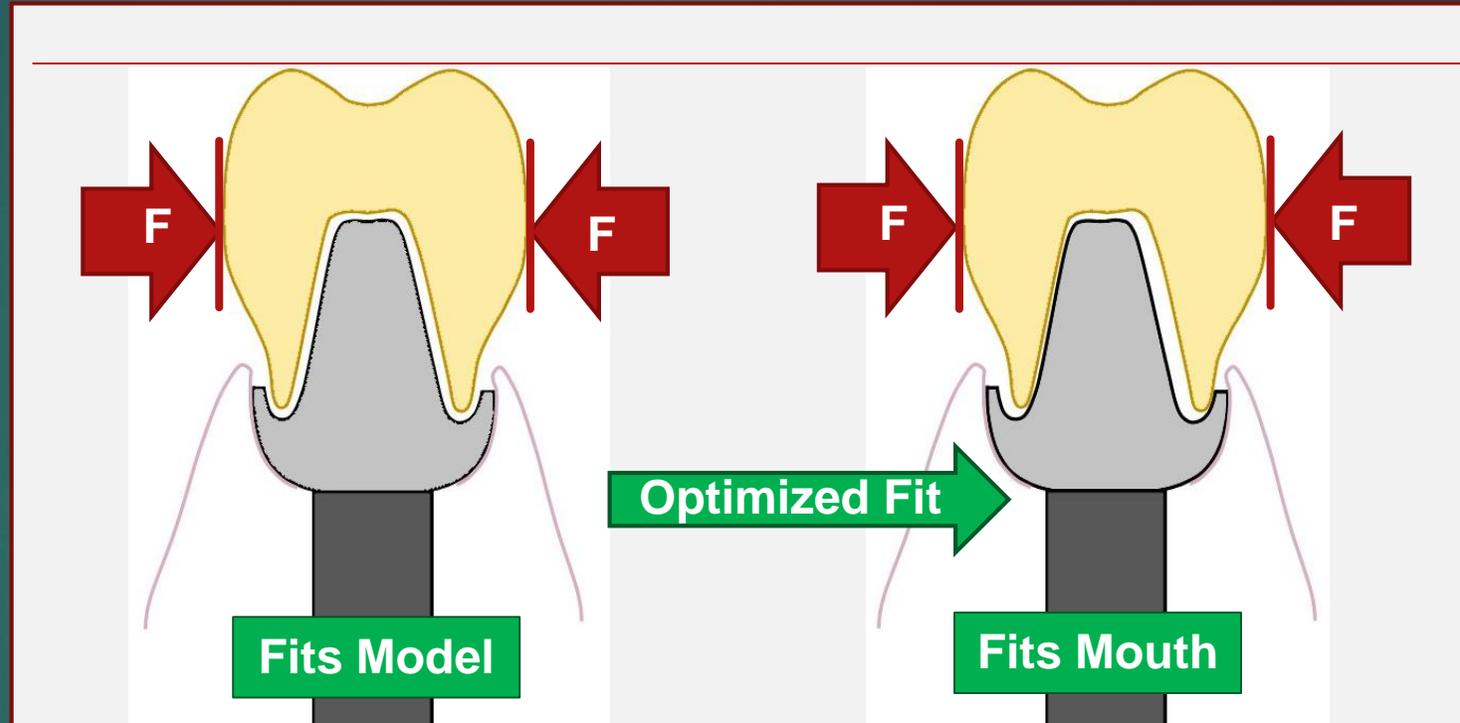


Upward facing margins are accessible for maintenance
Cement Fills the Gap

What About Tight Contacts?

This System Assumes & Tolerates Error

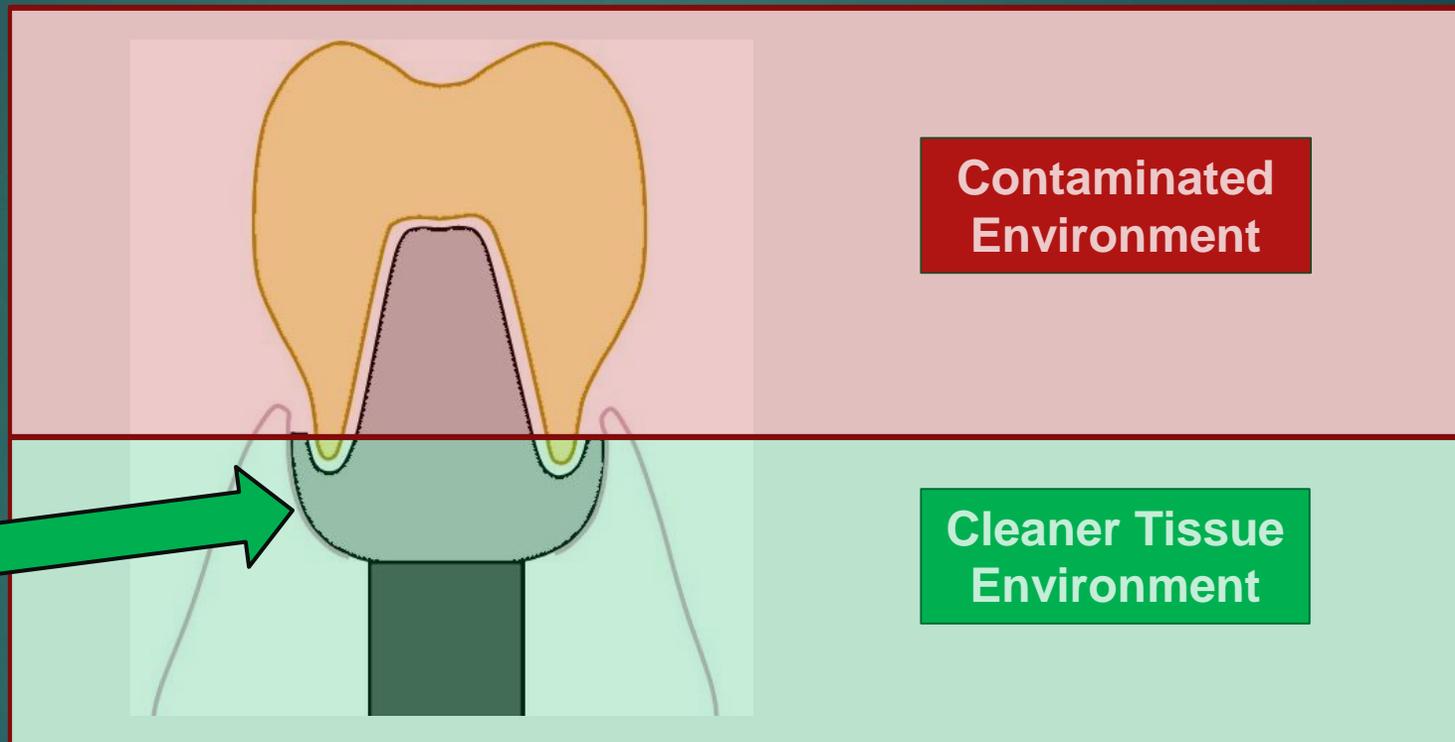
Bonus!



**Self Centering, Less Hyperocclusion
= Easier Installation**

Abutment Undersurface allows for Epithelial Attachment to Create a Tissue Barrier Against Noxious Materials and Pathogens

Optimized Biological Barrier with Titanium or Zirconia



More Resistant to Disease

Tomas Linkevicius 2019 shows epithelial attachment remnants on Zirconia & Titanium

The Safer Cementation Puzzle has a Number of Interdependent Pieces



Choice of Cement is Important



Temporary Cement
Temporary Cement + Petroleum Jelly
Zinc Phosphate Based
Resin Based

For Safer Cementation We Can Use An Appropriate Cement, Cement Space and Cementation Pressure

	Solubility	Compressive Strength	Cement Space	Cementation Pressure
Zinc Phosphate Cement	High	Low (90 -100 Mpa)	30-40 microns	40 NCm
Resin Cement	Very Low	High (262 Mpa Rely X Unicem, 3M)	30-300 microns	1 NCm

Resin Cements Have High Compressive Strength over a Wide Range of Thicknesses and Don't Wash out at Margins

**Increased Cement Space allows for
Super Lower Pressure Cementation
and Increased Excess Cement Control**

Tapped in with Only 109 grams of SUPER LOW PRESSURE



**Bridge loaded with Rely X Ultimate Cement (3M)
and tapped into place. Once seated, the bridge is held
with higher pressure while setting cement with light.**

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Identifying the Dragons Makes Treatment Decisions Easier



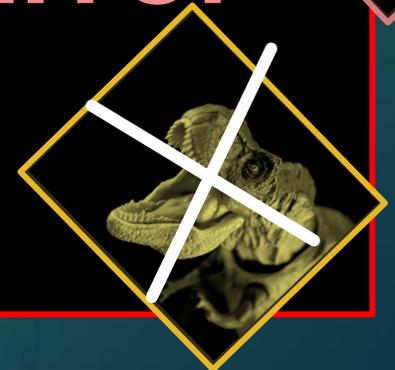
& Prosthesis Installation Safer



The Root Causes of Treatment Complications Related to Prostheses Installation Techniques



- 1) Prosthesis Dimensional Error
- 2) Tissue Effects



We Can Make Implant Treatment Better Let's Do it! It's Our Job!

- ▶ **Safer** – Mitigating **PDE** and **GE** by **Design** to prevent multiple risk factors for treatment complications
- ▶ **Faster** – Less clinical steps and less lab interventions
- ▶ **Easier** – Installations are more controlled, less stressful and easier to adjust.

Increase Treatment Efficiency & Stability
More Happy Patients = Great For Business!

1. **Installing abutments individually without a Prosthesis attached**, allows screw connections to be optimized, more predictably.
2. **The Reverse Margin™ Design** mitigates the Gingival Effects and thus prevents residual submarginal cement & open margins ...
3. ... **AND allows for the Safe Use of Adequate Cement Space** to compensate for Prosthesis Dimensional Error, without causing open, overhanging & overextended margins ...
4. ... **AND increases cement control** by super low-pressure cementation.

= Safer Prosthesis Installation



A New Way to Install Implant Prosthetics That Safely Compensates for Prosthesis Dimensional Error

	Prosthesis Dimensional Error	Current Screw-in Installation	Current Cement-in Installation	The Svoboda Way
1	Implant-Abutment Misfit	+++++	-	-
	Contact Management	+++	++	+
	Hyperocclusion Adjustment	+++	++	+
2	Abutment-Prosthesis Misfit	-	+++++	-
	Open Margins	-	++++	-
	Overextended Margins	-	+++++	-
	Overhanging Margins	-	+++++	-
3	Submarginal Cement	-	+++++	-



“-” No or Very Little Difficulty

More “+’s” Designate More Difficulty
The Svoboda Way involves the Reverse Margin System

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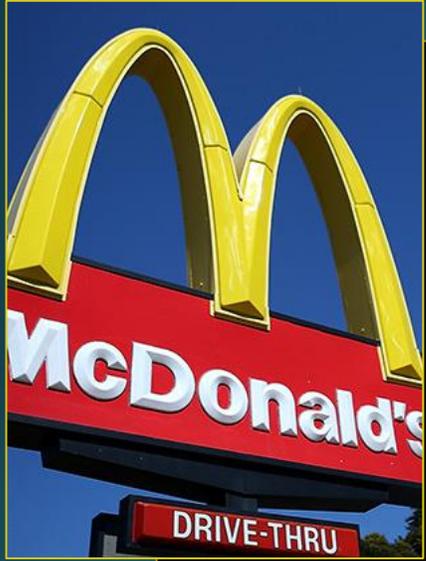
**The Svoboda Way Is
Has Been Specifically Designed to
Mitigate Both Root Causes of
Prosthesis Installation Related
Complications**



**Use its Designs and Protocols to
Keep More of Your Patients Smiling
Year After Year**

Who is Responsible for Complications?

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For Dentists to Offer
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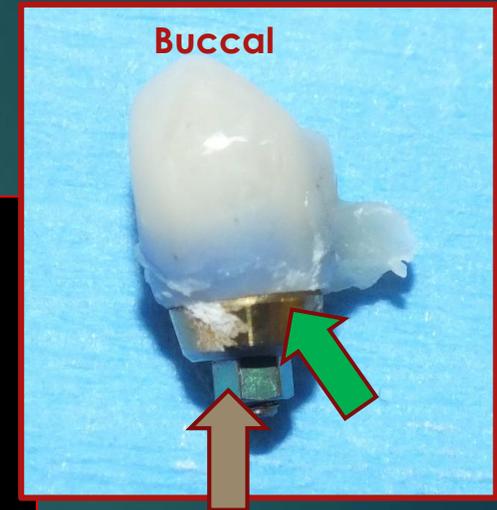


The Inconvenient Implications of My Work



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1. **Stock Abutments with Subgingival Margins** are not sensitive to the **Gingival Effects** and are not able to compensate for **Prosthesis Dimensional Error** and are thus **NOT Safe** to use as Retainers for Prosthetics that are to be cemented into the mouth.



Tissue Effects such as the Gingival Effects Can Cause:

- 1) **Open Margins**
- 2) **Residual Subgingival Cement**



Another Inconvenient Implications of my Work



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2. Many expensive custom abutments and prostheses with **Subgingival Margins** are not usually sensitive to the **Gingival Effects** and are not able to compensate for **Prosthesis Dimensional Error**. They **Are NOT Safe** to use as Retainers for Prosthetics that are to be cemented into the mouth



& Another Inconvenient Implication of my Work

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Current Screw-in installation techniques do not usually accommodate Prosthesis Dimensional Error.

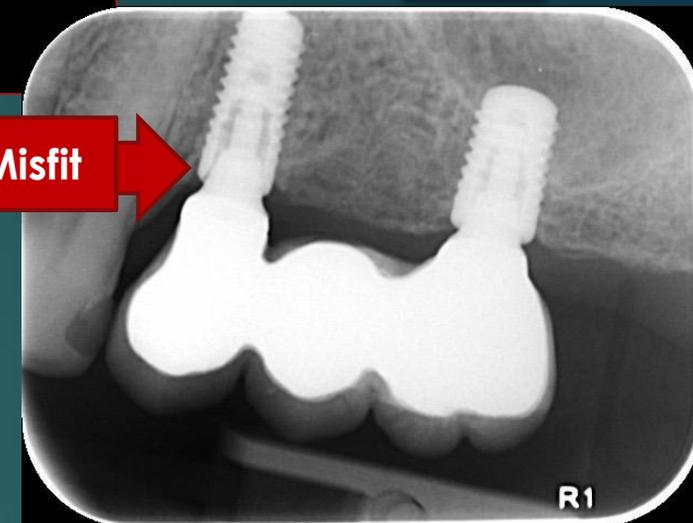
This system cannot consistently prevent implant-abutment misfits and could not comply with the spirit of Government ISO Standards regarding the stability of the implant-abutment connection.

When used to install “All-on type cases”, current systems often shift the misfit to other component joints and thus expose patients to complications related to those misfit connections.

Thus current Systems are Not Safe to use as is.

This Problem is Easy to Fix!

Misfit



My Solution: The RM Hybrid Fits Almost All Major Implant Systems

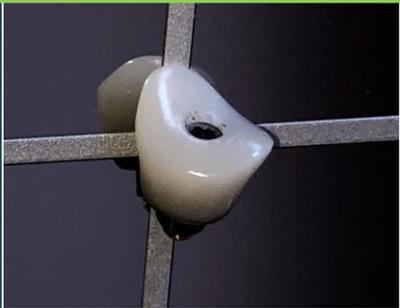
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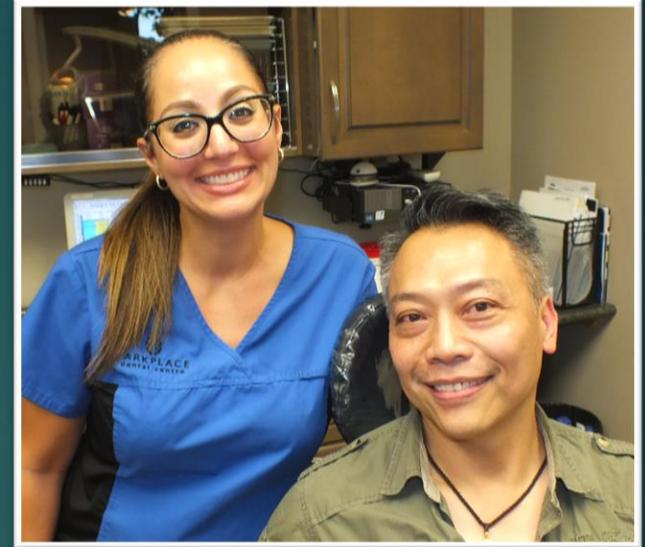
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