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Ridge augmentation of the anterior maxilla soft and hard tissue in aesthetic considerations

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Success in implant dentistry involves four areas: Peri-implant soft tissue management, pre-implant augmentative surgery, precision in implant placement and quality of the prosthetic restoration. Until now, ridge augmentation of the anterior maxilla soft and hard tissue in aesthetic area is still a popular issue in esthetic dentistry. As we know, the most challenging situation is the single-tooth replacement, especially in the anterior maxilla, where a malposition of less than 1 mm or less than 10 degree can jeopardize the overall treatment outcome. Augmentation of soft tissue is sometimes necessary to predict the final esthetic outcome of the treatment (e.g., to obtain enough soft tissue to remodeling the papillae). According to the loss of the alveolar ridge, the quantity and quality of available soft tissue, and the need for future ridge augmentation, soft tissue augmentation procedures can be handled before, after, or at the same time with hard tissue augmentation and also at different stage during the whole implant-supported rehabilitation procedure.

Biography

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