

## Anticariogenicity of casein-phosphopeptide with amorphous calcium-phosphate complexes

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**Purpose:** This study evaluated the effect of casein-phosphopeptide with amorphous-calcium-phosphate-complex (CPP-ACP) paste (Tooth-Mousse) and CPP-ACP complex with fluoride (MI paste) on cariogenic microflora system in children.

**Design:** A total 120-children less than 15-years old with same oral hygiene-habits, participated in this study. They were divided into group (I) (n=20) who did not use CCP-ACP complexes and group (II) (n=100) that were divided into Subgroup (A) (n=50) who used (Tooth-Mousse) and Subgroup (B) (n=50) who used (MI-paste). They used CCP-ACP complexes as a topical application on teeth once daily for 60-seconds. Salivation of each child was stimulated by chewing a paraffin pellet for 5-minutes to collect 3ml of saliva that was divided into three equal parts. pH of saliva was measured by pH-meter using first part of collected saliva. Other parts of collected saliva were used for measuring the *Streptococcus mutans* and *Lactobacilli* count in saliva by means of selective culture media. Tests would be repeated after (7, 14, 30, 45) days of material using. Collected-data were statistical analysis by ANOVA test.

**Results:** Salivary pH of both subgroups were significantly higher than in the group (I),  $P < 0.05$ . *Streptococcus mutans* and *Lactobacillus acidophilus* counts in both subgroups were significantly lower than the group (I), also while comparing subgroup (A) with subgroup (B) there was a significant decrease of bacterial counts in subgroup(B) more than subgroup (A),  $P < 0.05$ .

**Conclusion:** Using CPP-ACP complexes increased salivary pH, which decreased the growth of *Streptococcus mutans* and *Lactobacillus acidophilus*. CPP-ACP containing fluoride is more beneficial than using CPP-ACP alone which attributed to inhibiting bacterial metabolism by fluoride effect.

### Biography

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