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Case Report PROSTHETIC PROCEDURE

Anatomical shape, support and colour provided by the use of a patient-specific abutment – Atlantis[™] abutment, GoldHue

36 years-old patient with a vertical fracture of 46. The treatment plan was to extract the tooth and replace it by a dental implant. In this conventional placement with conventional loading treatment, the challenge was to restore the position of the gingival contour and the inter-proximal papillae like in the natural tooth, giving in the area of the transitional contour the anatomical shape, support and colour provided by the use of a patient-specific abutment.





1. A vertical fracture of 46. When probing there was a distal narrow isolated pocket measuring more than 15 mm.



 ${\bf 2.}$ In the x-ray we could observe a radiolucency along the distal wall of the distal root with the typical "J" shape seen in vertical root fractures.



3. The tooth extraction was done without damaging the alveolar walls. The socket was scraped and sutured without using grafting material.



4. After 8 weeks of healing period, the soft tissue covers totally the area of extraction.



5. After 8 weeks, the amount of bone formation into the socket permitted the implant placement.



6. Using the surgical stent, the osteotomy for placing the implant was done in an adequate position in the 3 dimensions, using as a reference point the zenith of the cervical contour of the planned restoration.





7. Using the surgical stent the implant was placed 3 mm apical to the cervical contour of the restoration and symmetrically from mesial to distal and 2 mm lingually for preserving the buccal bone that will support the soft tissue.



8. A 7 mm healing abutment was placed to guide the soft tissue to this circular diameter during the healing process.



9. The healing abutment was removed after 6 weeks and a definitive impression of the implant position was sent together with the opposite model to the laboratory.



10. The Atlantis[™] abutment was virtually designed with the emergence profile of the molar that must be replaced and then it was processed in the material of choice.



11. The Atlantis[™] abutment, GoldHue, together with the Atlantis[™] abutment screw, was sent to the dental technician.



12. The Atlantis[™] abutment is verified in the working model and the definitive restoration in zirconia porcelain is fabricated.



13. Final implant restoration ready to be delivered to the clinician.



14. The Atlantis[™] abutment was placed with some pressure into the soft tissue; after some minutes the ischemia disappeared and the abutment went down to its right position.



15. Verify correct seating of the abutment using a radiographic image, the transitional portion of the abutment follow the contour of the bone.



16. The Atlantis[™] abutment, GoldHue was torqued according to the implant manufacturer's torque recommendation – 25 Ncm. The screw head was covered and later on the crown was cemented to the abutment.



17. X-ray showing the perfect fit of the restoration, the spaces created for the interproximal papillae and the position of the bone at the level of the implant.



18. After 9 months we observed a perfect adjustment of soft tissue around the restoration, filling the space for the interproximal papillae and giving a natural position of the soft tissue contour.





