Failures in fixed dental prosthesis

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Postoperative appointment:

Monitor patients dental health

Stimulate meticulous plaque control habits

Identify incipient disease

Introduce corrective treatment needed before irreversible damage

Periodic recall

Longevity is affected by:

Good plaque removal

Patient motivation

Resistance to disease

Restoration design and fabrication

Manifestations of failure:

Pain

Inability to function

Dissatisfaction with esthetics

Broken teeth and or restorations

Inflammatory swelling

Bad taste

Bad breath

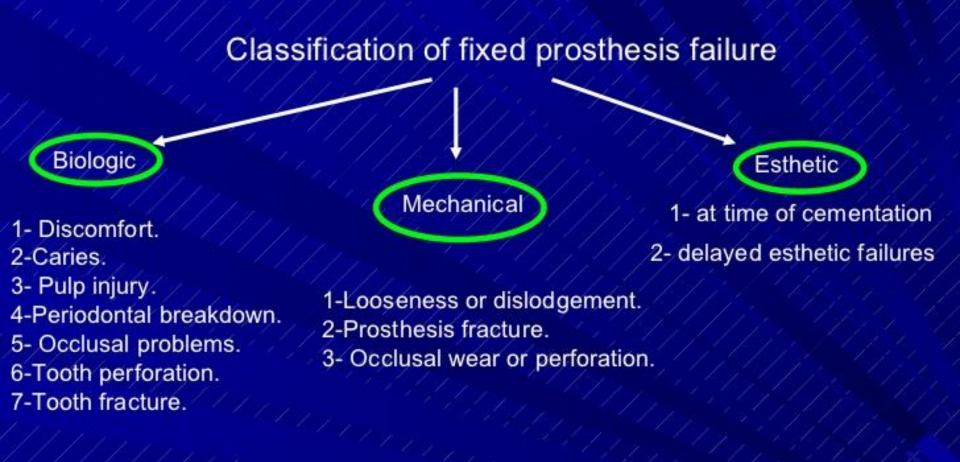
Bleeding gums

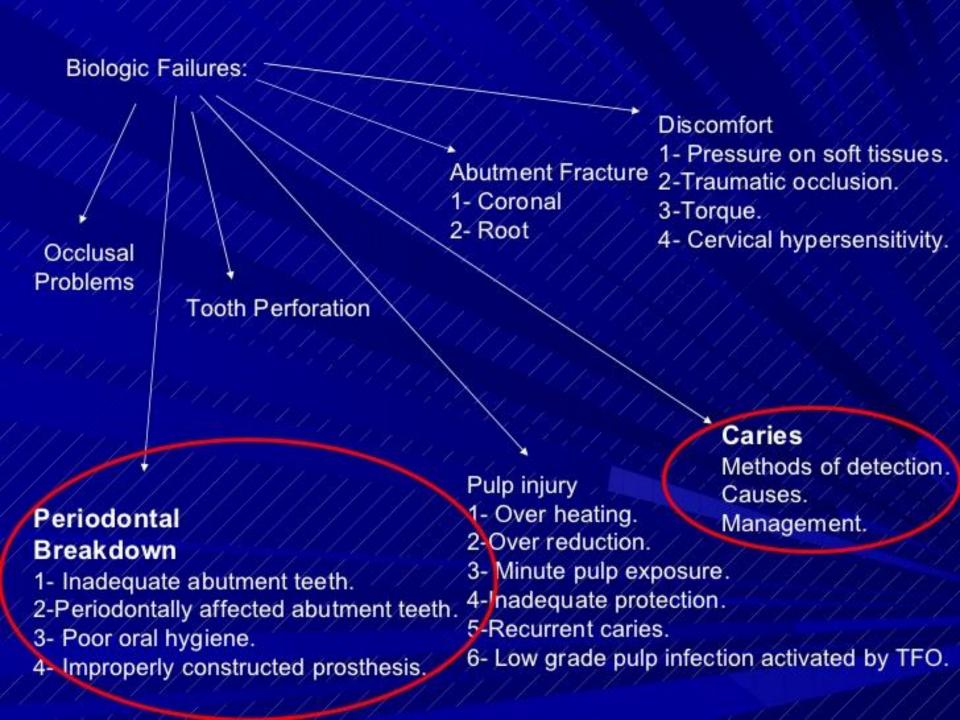
Anxiety

Referral

Causes of Fixed prosthesis failure:

- 1- improper case selection.
- 2- Faulty diagnosis and treatment plan.
- 3-Inaccurate clinical or laboratory procedures .
- 4- poor patient care and maintenance following insertion.







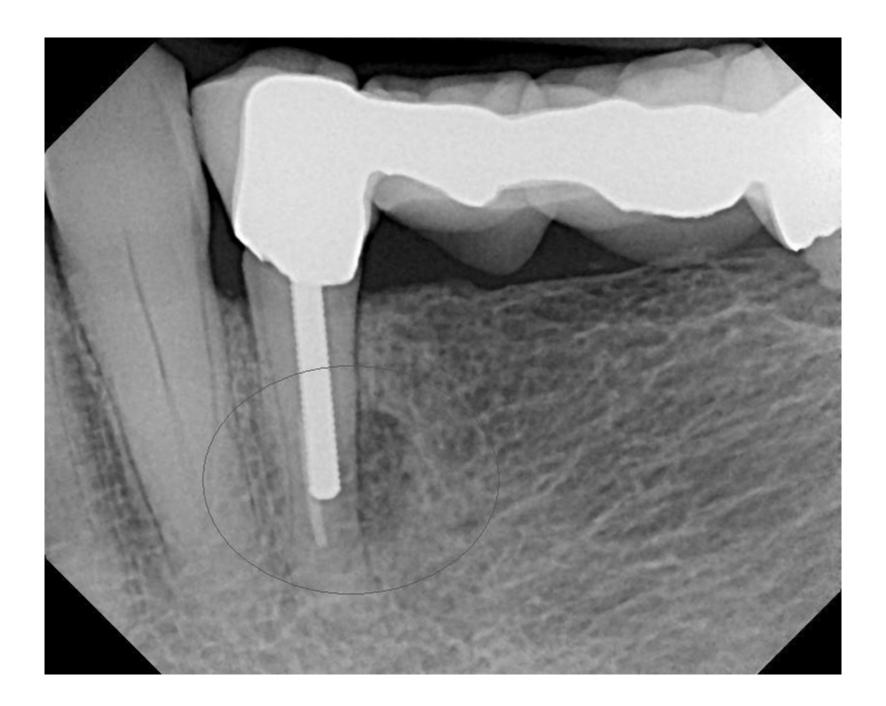
Pulp injury

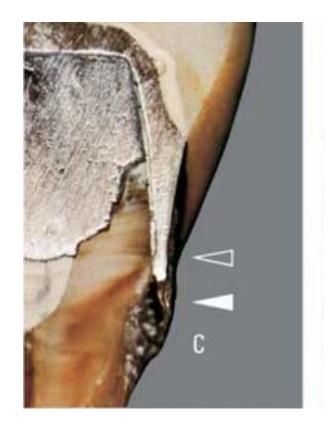


Abutment fracture











Periodontal breakdown



Occlusal problems



Caries





Discomfort



Tooth perforation



Mechanical Failures.

3- Occlusal wear or perforation.

- 1- Looseness or dislodgement.
 - a- Lack of retention...
 Faulty preparation.
 Improper design
 Improper construction
 - b- Recurrent caries.
 - c- Mobility.
 - d- Torque.
 - e- Faulty Cementation.

- 2- Prosthesis Fracture.
 - a- Joint fractures.
 - b- Facing fracture.
 - c- All ceramic crown fracture.
 - Faulty preparation
 - Faulty construction
 - Faulty cementation
 - d- Post fracture.

Prosthesis fracture



Looseness



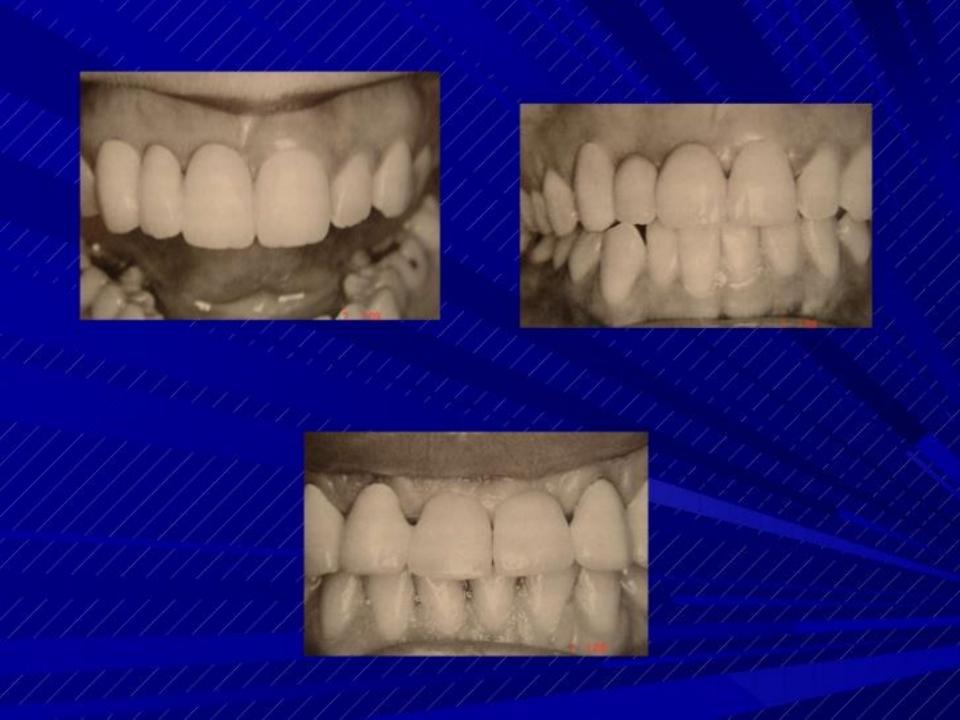
Occlusal wear











Esthetic Failure:

·A) at time of cementation

1- actual failure:

Color mismatch

Poor tooth contour, marginal roughness &

extension

Metal display in partial coverage Improper pontic placement Porcelain fracture during cementation

2- color blindness

3- unrealistic complains by the patient:

Inadequate communication
Unrealistic expectations of the patient
dysmorphophobia

- ·B) delayed esthetic failures
- 1- gingival recession
- 2- subpontic tissue shrinkage
- 3- periodontal surgery
- 4- porosity
- 5- drifting of anterior teeth
- 6- wear





Metal allergi





Avoiding Failure:

- 1- Caution at the planning stage.
- 2-Confirmation of diagnosis and treatment plan for the inexperienced operator.
- 3- Expertise of the technician.
- 4- Treatment of preoperative problems.
- 5- Search for the primary cause of failure rather than the apparent.

When the prognosis is questionable, the methods used to facilitate re-treatment are:

- 1- Use of temporary cement.
- Design of prosthesis for possible future addition.
- 3-The placement of a rest seat for possible future use.
- 4- Specified undercut or guide plane of a crown, even when a denture is not planned.
- 5- Planning and noting solder joint placement.
- 4- recording of shades.
- 5- recording of cements used.
- 6- retention of working casts and provisional restorations.

Case # 1

Carious abutments

Case Presentation:

75 years old
6-unit bridge
Satisfactory for 9 years
Prefers not to have a new one
Clinical examination: carious

Clinical examination: carious abutments 11, 13

Management:

Caries removal

Root canal treatment

post and core done for each tooth

Bridge lasted for the remaining 6 years





Case # 2 loss of a doubtful tooth that is a key bridge abutment.

Case Presentation:

History of root fracture of tooth # 23
History of large post in the tooth
One 10-unit bridge (15_25)
Problem anticipated when bridge was made 3 years ago

14-unit bridge recemented, served for 12 years

Management:

Upper molars distal to the bridge prepared parallel to the bridge abutments
They were soldered
Split root extracted
Hollow area of tooth # 23 retainer filled with composite





Case # 3 Periodontal Breakdown:

Case Presentation:

Advanced periodontitis

Complicated by tooth loss and mobility

Had a partial denture (not coping well with it)

Wishes to consider a fixed restoration option

For health reasons implants were not a practical option

Management:

Teeth prepared for full crowns

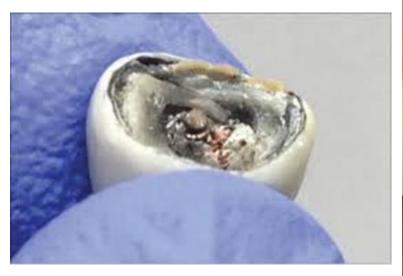
Telescopic crowns with parallel path of insertion cemented permanently

One piece fixed bridge fabricated over the crowns



Failure of cementation of a retainer

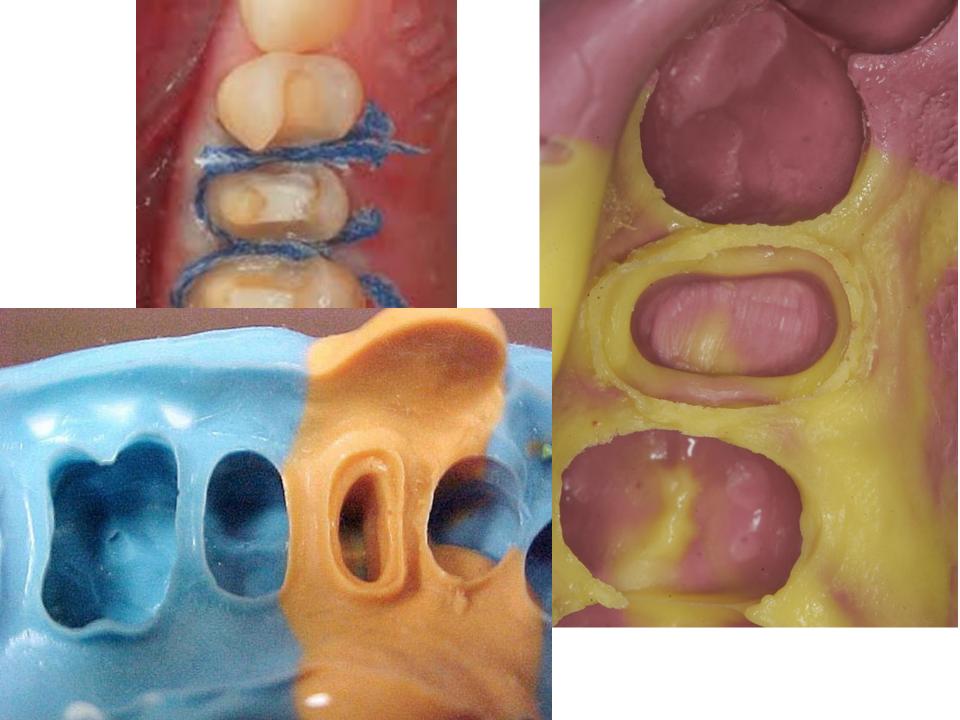
- 1. Inadequate tooth preparation.
- 2. Poor fit of the restoration.
- 3. Poor cementation.
- 4. Occlusal factors.
- 5. Differential mobility between abutments.
- 6. Inappropriate design of restoration.
- 7. Inappropriate choice of cementation material.







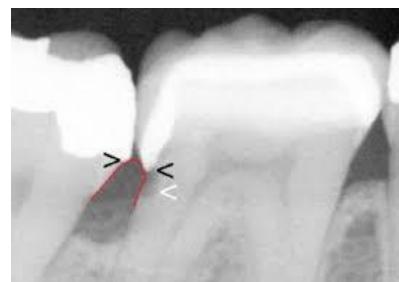


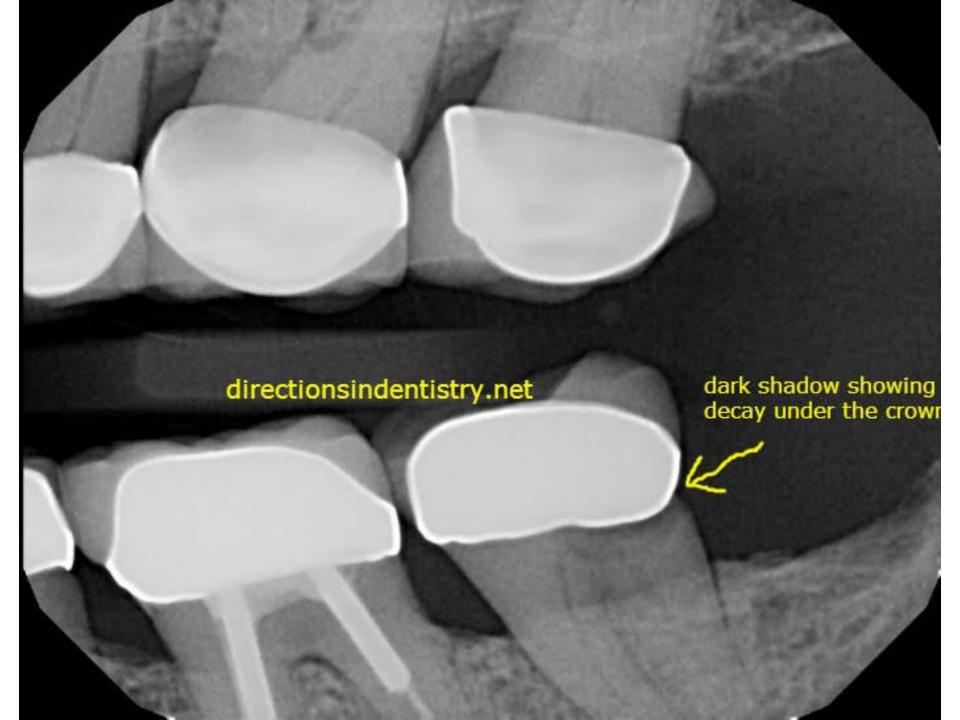
























Oxidized metal

Opaque porcelain

Body porcelain











