The Effect of Various Bur Types and Two Bonding Agents on Shear Bond Strength of Composite Resin to Dentin

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ABSTRACT

Aims: The aims of this in vitro study was to assess the effectiveness of various bur types and bonding agents on the shear bond strength of composite resin to dentin. Eighty non carious, extracted human molars were mounted in acrylic resin, the occlusal surface of all the teeth were grounded to obtain flat dentin surface. After that the teeth were randomly divided into four groups (n=20) according to the bur types that will be used to prepare the dentin surface. After preparation of dentin each group was divided into two subgroups (n=10) according to the type of adhesive systems used (Excite & I-Bond), the adhesive systems were applied to the dentin surface and light-cured according to manufacturers instructions. A 4mm high composite cylinder was incrementally built up. After that, specimens stored for one month at 37°C in distilled water and thermo cycled for 500 cycles between (5°C & 55°C) and then tested in a universal testing machine. The results of this study demonstrated that the method of surface preparation affected the shear bond strength of I-Bond and this is not true for Exit system, when the dentin surface prepared with fissure burs the shear bond strength greater than when the surface prepared with round burs. The results of this study also showed that the groups in which Excite bonding agent used have greater value of shear bond than the groups treated with I-Bond.

Key words: Dental burs, bonding agents, shear bond, composite resin.

INTRODUCTION

During cavity preparation, tooth structure cut by rotary or manual instruments and a large amount of energy is generated locally, which result in denaturated collagen, and lead to chemical and physical alteration in the surfaces of the tooth. This procedures produces smear layer, which can influence the adhesion between the tooth structure and dental materials. It has been report that there is a micromorphologic difference between dentin cut by diamond and carbide rotary instrument. The surface cut with diamond burs examined by scanning electron microscope present more irregularities and thicker smear layer when compared to the dentin surface cut with carbide burs. 

Dentin bonding systems have been improved in order to promote durability and reliability of adhesive restorations. The mechanisms of adhesion of currently used adhesive, depending on clinical approach to the smear layer: it can be removed by acids (the fourth generation and the fifth generation) or dissolved by self etching primers (the sixth generation and seventh generation).
Most of dentin bond strength studies are performed on specimens that have been ground with 600-grit silicon carbide paper. However, adhesive resins are clinically applied on dentin prepared by bur fixed in an air turbine or a high-speed hand piece.

The aim of this study to evaluate the effect of different bur types (diamond round bur, diamond fissure bur, carbide round bur, and carbide fissure bur) and two types of bonding agent Excite (fifth generation) and I-Bond (seventh generation) on shear bond strength of composite resin to dentin.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Eighty extracted human non carious molars were used in this study. Routine prophylactic procedure was carried out with rubber cup and aqueous slurry of pumice for all teeth, after cleaning all teeth underwent careful microscopic examination(Motic, TAIWAN) in order to exclude those with visually undetectable cracks before they were treated. Samples were mounted vertically on acrylic resin block. To obtain flat dentin surfaces at depth of 1.5 mm the occlusal surface of all teeth were ground with a diamond wheel saw (KG Sorensen SP, Brazil) under water coolant where a groove market at 1.5mm served as standardization. Then, the flat dentin surface abraded with 400, 600 grit wet silicon carbide papers mounted on a grinding machine with copious amounts of water to create standardized dentin surface. (1,5,6) After that the teeth were divided according to the type of bur that use to prepare the dentin surface into four groups (n=20) as follow:

Group1: the dentin surface ground with diamond round bursNo.1014KG Sorensen Ind com. Ltd., Brazil) using high-speed handpiece with air-water spray, in such a way the long axis of the bur was perpendicular to the dentin surface.

Group2: the dentin surface ground using a diamond straight fissure burs No.1092 (KG Sorensen Ind com. Ltd., Brazil) using high-speed handpiece with air-water spray, in such a way the long axis of the bur was parallel to the dentin surface.

Group3: the dentin surface ground using a tungsten carbide round burs No.3 (Mani Inc. Japan) using high-speed handpiece with air-water spray, in such a way the long axis of the bur was perpendicular to the dentin surface.

Group4: the dentin surface ground using a tungsten carbide straight fissure burs No.56 (Mani Inc. Japan) using high-speed handpiece with air-water spray, in such a way the long axis of the bur was parallel to the dentin surface.

In each group following dentin preparation, the area of bonding was defined using circular perforation of a self adhesive tape measuring 4mm in diameter so that the applied adhesive agents confined to a standardized area on the base. The specimens in each group were randomly divided into two subgroup (n=10) according to the type of adhesive system used as follows:

Group I: each prepared dentin surface was etch with 37% phosphoric acid gel (Vivdent Ets, Schaan/Liechtenstein, Germany) for 15 seconds, rinsed for 20 seconds, then gently blown to remove excess water (maintain a moist surface), a total etch adhesive system (Excite, Ivoclar, Vivadent, Liechtenstein) was applied according to the manufacturers instructions.

Group II: a one-step self-etch adhesive system (I-Bond, Medicinos Linija UAB., EU) was applied on dentin surfaces according to the manufactures instructions. The composition of Excite and I-Bond seen in (Table 1).

| Bonding system          | Composition                                      |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| Excite (total etch)     | HEMA, TEGDMA, Phosphoric acid 37%, acrylate, Silicon dioxide, ethanol |
| I-Bond(self etch)       | UDMA, 4 Met, acetone, water, glutaraldehyde, camphorquinone alcohol |
Rubber mold with 4 x 4mm dimension central hole was applied over the adhesive tape that was placed over the dentin surface base so that the hole in the rubber mold was positioned over the hole in the adhesive tape and attached in it is positions by two points of wax to the acrylic block. The mold was split vertically in one place through its entire thickness using a surgical blade No.23 by so doing, its later removal from around the composite was facilitated without putting undue stress on the composite sample. Subsequently, Te-tric ceram composite (Ivoclar, Vivadent, Liechtenstein) shade A2 was packed directly against the demarcated dentin surface through the rubber hole with ash plastic instrument and adapted to avoid air entrapment in a two increments 2mm thickness of each increment, according to manufacturer's instructions, after the application of first increment the thickness of the increment was checked by using graduate periodontal probe, then light polymerized for 40 second at 400mW/cm² using a Quartz-Tungsten-Halogen (QTH) light curing unit (Astralis 5, Vivadent, Schaan/Liechtenstein, Germany), the radiometer was used to check the light efficiency before starting each restoration, then the second increment was applied and covered with a transparent celluloid strip and light cure for 40 second. To standardized the curing distance the tip of the polymerization unit was applied in contact with the surface of the rubber mold. After that the wax points were removed and the composite post were released from the rubber mold and the adhesive tape, then each composite post polymerized for 10 second at four point all around to ensure that there was complete polymerization, thus create a cylinder of composite 4mm in diameter and 4mm in height bonded to the dentin surface at 90º angle (Figure 1).

Figure (1) The tooth mounted in polyvinyl plastic ring and the tooth builds up with composite core.

All specimens were incubated inside an incubator (Fisher Scientific, Germany) for 30 day at 37º in distilled water. Shear bond strength was evaluated using universal testing machine with knife- edged rod of 0.5mm width at across head speed of 1.0 mm/ min that applied to dentin composite interface the bond strength and failure was calculated as the failure load divided by the surface area (12.56 mm²) and express in megapascals (Mpa), the data were calculated and analyzed statistically using unpaired T-test and Duncan’s multiple range test at ($p<0.05$).

RESULTS

Mean shear bond strength of composite resin to dentin after treated with different bur ranged from (33.83 ± 4.58) MPA to (36±3.39) MPA for the total etch groups, and from (19.67±0.5) MPA to (29.86±3.97) MPA for the self etch groups as shown in table (2 and 3).
Table (2): Duncan's Multiple Range Test for the effect of bur types on the shear bond strength of composite resin to dentin when use Excite bonding agent.

| Group | Number | Mean  | ±SD  | Duncan’s Grouping |
|-------|--------|-------|------|-------------------|
| G1,1  | 10     | 33.83 | 4.58 | A                 |
| G2,1  | 10     | 35.26 | 1.04 | A                 |
| G3,1  | 10     | 34.11 | 4.58 | A                 |
| G4,1  | 10     | 36.33 | 3.39 | A                 |

G1=Diamond round bur  G2=Diamond fissure bur  G3=Carbide round bur  G4=Carbide fissure bur  I= Excite

Table (3): Duncan's Multiple Range Test for the effect of bur types on the shear bond strength of composite resin to dentin when use I-Bond.

| Group | Number | Mean  | ±SD  | Duncan’s Grouping |
|-------|--------|-------|------|-------------------|
| G1,II | 10     | 19.67 | 0.50 | C                 |
| G2,II | 10     | 25.70 | 2.00 | B                 |
| G3,II | 10     | 20.67 | 1.32 | C                 |
| G4,II | 10     | 29.86 | 3.97 | A                 |

G1=Diamond round bur  G2=Diamond fissure bur  G3=Carbide round bur  G4=Carbide fissure bur  II=I-Bond

Analysis of the data showed that the types of bur not significantly affect the shear bond strength of composite resin to dentin when total etch adhesive system (Excite) were used. While for self etch group the types of bur significantly affect the shear bond strength of composite resin to dentin at ($p<0.05$). When fissure burs used for the preparation the bond strength was greater than that obtained when dentin surface prepared with round burs. The result of this study also showed that the group that treated with carbide fissure bur produce higher bond strength than diamond fissure bur (Table 3). The means of shear bond strength for the groups treated with total etch adhesive (Excite) is greater than the groups treated with Self etch adhesive (I-Bond) as shown in Table (4).

Table (4): Duncan's multiple Range Test for the effect of different bur types and two bonding on the shear bond strength of composite resin to dentin.

| Group | Number | Mean  | ±SD  | Duncan’s Grouping |
|-------|--------|-------|------|-------------------|
| G1,1  | 10     | 33.83 | 4.58 | A                 |
| G2,1  | 10     | 35.26 | 1.04 | A                 |
| G3,1  | 10     | 34.11 | 4.58 | A                 |
| G4,1  | 10     | 36.33 | 3.39 | A                 |

G1=Diamond round bur  G2=Diamond fissure bur  G3=Carbide round bur  G4=Carbide fissure bur  I= Excite  II=I-Bond

Microscopic examination using a stereomicroscope (Hamilton by AITAY International Italy) at a magnification level of X 20 of the prepared dentin surfaces with different bur types seen in Figure (2). The microscopic examination of debonded surfaces exhibited mixed failure Figure (3) (adhesive +cohesive within adhesive resin) with few bonding remaining on the dentin surface for the groups treated with carbide fissure bur and diamond bur using with Excite bonding agent while other groups show mainly adhesive failure (Table 5).
Fig.(2): Stereomicroscopic images of the prepared dentin surfaces.

a: Prepared with diamond round bur. b: prepared with carbide round bur. c: prepared with diamond fissure bur.
d: prepared with carbide fissure bur

Figure(3): Stereomicroscopic images show the mode of failure

a: cohesive failure when use Excite bonding agent with diamond fissure bur, b: cohesive failure when use Excite bonding agent with carbide fissure bur.

Table (5): Fracture modes on the specimens after shear bond test in percentages.

| Group   | Adhesive fracture | Mixed |
|---------|-------------------|-------|
| G1,I    | 90%               | 10%   |
| G2,I    | 40%               | 60%   |
| G3,I    | 80%               | 20%   |
| G4,I    | 10%               | 90%   |
| G1,II   | 100%              | 0%    |
| G2,II   | 90%               | 10%   |
| G3,II   | 100%              | 0%    |
| G4,II   | 80%               | 20%   |
DISCUSSION

This study evaluated the effect of cutting teeth with different bur types on shear bond strength of composite resin to dentin using total-etch and self-etch adhesive systems.

Under the condition of this in vitro study methods of surface preparation greatly affected the shear bond strength of self adhesive systems and this is not true for total etch system, this result agree with the finding of Hosoya et al and Oliveira et al. This may due to that self-etch adhesive disclose less etching ability because of their relative high PH when compared with the PH of phosphoric acid etchants.

The high mean value of shear bond strength obtained with Excite may be due to that the smear layer and super facial dentin are demineralized by 37% phosphoric acid and the collagen fibers of superficially demineralized dentin are exposed. The exposed collagen may provide reactive groups that can chemically interact with bonding. The ethanol solvent of the Excite, due to its high vapor pressure, competes with moisture, replacing it and promoting infiltration of monomer through nano-spaces of the expose collagen network. This serves as a framework for the creation of a resin-demineralized dentin hybrid layer, resulting in strong micromechanical interlocking between resin and the superficially demineralized dentin.

The low mean value of shear bond strength of the groups treated with self-etch adhesive system (I-Bond) related to combine the etching and priming steps, where the primer is not rinsed but only air dried. This result in the calcium and phosphate ions being solubilized from the apatite crystals, which are suspended in the solvents of the primer. When these volatile solvent are evaporated, the concentration of calcium and phosphate may exceed the solubility product constants for calcium and phosphate, resulting in its precipitation within the primer. This result in lesser penetration in dentin. In addition to that the hybrid layer formed by self etch adhesive systems thinner than that formed by total etch adhesive systems

In the self-etch adhesive groups the shear bond strength obtained after dentin preparation with carbide fissure bur higher than that obtained when diamond fissure bur were used. This due to that dentin prepared with diamond burs present a more irregular dentin surface with a visible thicker smear layer when compared to carbide burs treated groups. The presence of smear layer on dentin surface restrains the effective contact between restorative material and dentinal tissue impairing satisfactory adhesion.

Fissure burs provide higher shear bond strength than round burs and this may due to the mode of cutting. The surface prepared by round bur was rougher than the surface prepared by fissure bur the excessive roughness may impair the even flow of the liquid adhesive and result in an air interrupted at the interface which intern weaken the bond strength.

The failures were mainly adhesive within the I-Bond self-etching adhesives materials while Excite adhesive (total etch adhesive) show mixed failure and this can be explained by difference in the composition of the bonding agents and the methodology used as stresses within the bonding interface in shear bond test is highly dependent on test geometry and loading configuration employed. This finding is in agreement with Van Noor et al. and Borges et al., (1989) and (2006).

The present study showed that using carbide fissure bur for dentin preparation when using self-etching adhesive is important to improve the shear bond strength of composite resin to dentin. While the method of surface preparation not affected the shear bond strength of composite resin to dentin when using total etch system.

CONCLUSIONS

Within the limitation of this in vitro study, it could be concluded that:

1- the method of surface preparation affected the shear bond strength of self adhesive systems and this is not true for total etch system.

2- shear bond strength of the groups treated with Excite adhesive (total etch adhesive) have shear bond strength greater than the groups treated with I-Bond (self
etchant adhesive).
3- when cutting dentin, selection the adequate bur type is important for improved bonding of self-etching adhesive to dentin.

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