Progresses in gingival retraction materials: A review

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Abstract
The fundamental point of gingival retraction is to uproot the gingival tissues at the margins reversibly in order to allow the impression material to capture the marginal detail. Different isolation methods are put forward in practice which not as it were given sufficient vision and perfect working environment, but moreover keep up hemostasis to certain degree. The reason of this article is to audit the ancient & most recent headways within the field of tissue retraction.

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Introduction
Gingival displacement is defined as the deflection of marginal gingiva away from a tooth (GPT 8) [1]. Exact final impression of the prepared teeth is of extraordinary significance for effective fixed prosthetic restorations. The determination of strategy and gingival retraction lines as often as possible depends on the clinical circumstance. The degree of hemorrhage impacts the preference for a particular retraction cord. Barely any drug is totally free of side-effects, and package inserts going with these items list a number of conceivable side-effects which will happen in the event that utilized over and over, over an amplified period of time [2].

Ideal requirements of gingival retraction agent
A gingival retraction agent ought to be successful for it’s expecting utilize, secure both locally and systemically, and the impacts ought to be suddenly reversible, wearing off in a brief time, taking off no lasting tissue displacement. (Jokstad 1999) [3].

Classification and methods of gingival retraction [4-30]
(Barkmeier and Williams 1978)
1. Surgical retraction (gingivectomy and gingivoplasty, periodontal flap procedures, electrosurgery, and rotary gingival curettage).
2. Non-surgical retraction (rubber dam and clamps, retraction cord-impregnated/non-impregnated, retraction rings, copper bands).

(Thompson M.J 1959)
1. Conventional.
2. Radical.

(Benson et al., 1986)
1. Mechanical method
2. Chemomechanical method
3. Rotary gingival curettage
4. Electrosurgical methods.

Types of retraction methods [31]
For the retraction of soft tissue, three rule techniques are accessible for utilize these days 1) mechanical; 2) chemomechanical; and 3) electrosurgical. The chemomechanical methodology is likely the preeminent broadly utilized but its restrictions are time depleting, require for
adjacent anesthesia and harm to epithelial tissue and gingival recession. To overcome these, imperatives different more up to date withdrawal systems are presented. The taking after survey presents the correct presently open cordless withdrawal systems in advertise with its central focuses and obstructions.

![Fig 1: Stay put retraction cord](image1)

**Stay-put retraction cord no 1 fine**
It could be a Fine Metal Fiber reinforced displacement cord and can be Impregnated/Non-impregnated. When the stay – put line is formed, it remains in shape and does not misshape. It may be an interesting combination of delicately braided retraction line and ultra-fine copper filaments.

**Expasyl retraction paste**

![Fig 2: Expasyl retraction paste](image2)

Expasyl, an elective to dental retraction line, could be a viscous paste utilized for all strategies requiring gingival retraction counting impressions, seating of restorations, fitting elastic dams, and reestablishing Course 2, 3, and 5 cavities. Application of an air-water shower will expel the material from the sulcus. The Expasyl glue is infused into the sulcus, applying a steady, non-damaging weight of 0.1 N/nm. When expasyl is cleared out in put for 1 min, the weight is adequate to get a sulcus opening of 0.5 mm for two min.

**Magic foamcord (coltene/waledent)**

![Fig 3: Magic Foam Cord™ Temporary Gingival Retraction – Intro Kit – Coltene](image3)

Enchantment of Foam cord presents with effective hemostasis and negligible harm to tissues while retraction. Enchantment foam cord can be a polymeric fabric that is presented and allowed to set into the gingival sulcus. Along with the material that is shaped to the form of gingival sulcus, circular foams are available. To obliterate individual teeth, it is available in three sizes. The patient is told to bite (Comprecap) for 3 minutes on the cap. During setting and production, the fabric grows imperceptibly.

Less tissue-traumatic than the traditional retraction cord is the magic foam cord. The color of the foam assists with visualization and is easy to remove. Based on their relative ease of taking care of, time taken for arrangement, hemorrhage control and sum of gingival retraction, Stay-put, Magic foam and Expasyl, among the other three, Enchantment foam cord withdrawal framework was considered to be more effective gingival retraction system.

**Merocel strips**

![Fig 5: Merocel strips](image5)

In 1996, Marco Ferrari *et al.* discovered Merocel, a synthetic material directly derived chemically from a biocompatible polymer (hydroxylate polyvinyl acetate) (hydroxylate polyvinyl acetate) (hydroxylate polyvinyl acetate) (hydroxylate polyvinyl acetate) (hydroxylate polyvinyl acetate) (hydroxylate polyvinyl acetate) (hydroxylate polyvinyl acetate) (hydroxylate polyvinyl acetate).
Mechanism of action

By absorbing oral fluids, the Merocel Strip extends and exerts pressure on the surrounding tissue.

Application method

Gingival retraction is achieved by inserting a 2 mm thick retraction strip and a 2 mm thick Merocel retraction strip.

Gel-Cord

Gelcord consists of a 25 percent aluminum sulfate gel. Unlike liquid astringents, it remains positioned when placed for optimal haemostasis. The gel is rubbed mildly into the hemorrhaging area. For greater patient acceptance, Gelcord is well flavored and brightly colored for the initial cord to slip readily into the sulcus.

Tissue Goo

Tissue Goo is a gel containing an active ingredient that remains where it is put and provides sufficient hemostasis during tissue management procedures with 25 percent aluminum sulfate. Aluminum sulfate does not cauterize, but rather serves to stop the bleeding, similar to a coagulant. It also serves as a lubricant during cord placement.

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A Canadian company called Stomatotech has introduced a disposable plastic collar for gingival retraction that is applied until the abutment is connected to the implant on the apical end of the abutment. Between the apical portion of the abutment and the gingival soft tissue, the plastic collar is identified. The plastic collar is pulled out and permanently removed until the impression is recovered from the mouth. The plastic produces a valve that prevents the liquids from contaminating the abutment's finish line region. The main function of G-Cuffs is to retain soft tissue around the implant abutment, allowing the impression (conventional or digital) to have access to the abutment surface needed for optimal restoration.

Retraction capsule

A 15 percent aluminum chloride retraction paste is the newly launched 3MTM ESPE™ Retraction Capsule. It is packaged with an extra-fine tip in unit-dose capsules which fit directly into the sulcus. The retraction process with this material can be up to 50 percent quicker as compared with retraction cords. On removal, the chance of bleeding and/or hemorrhage is smaller, and on gingival tissue, it is milder. Since plastic with round, soft edges is the tip of the capsule, practitioners may use it with less concern about adverse tissue effects and patient discomfort.

Lasers

In the field of dentistry, soft tissue reduction with lasers has been subject to extreme scrutiny in recent years. In particular, their application to gingival tissue was made possible by the use of versatile optical fibers (the most widely used diameter range for prosthetic applications ranged from 320 to 400 microns), ensuring precise laser action at the level of the crevicular sulcus. Co2 lasers, Nd YAG (Neodymium-Yttrium-Aluminum-Garnet) lasers, Argon lasers, etc., are various types of lasers used in dentistry.

Principle

Lasers function by photo-ablation and produce fully blood-free incisions followed by quick, pain-free healing without inflammation underlying them. For oral soft tissue resection, ND- YAG laser is preferred and can be used effectively prior to impression, particularly in the presence of hypertrophied tissue, without local anesthesia for gingival retraction. Via a flexible quartz optical fiber, the pulsed Nd-YAG laser beam is guided to the operative site. Since this beam is invisible at the correct operating wavelength, the YAG laser uses the red Helium-Neon laser to provide a visible coaxial targeting beam. The fiber tip extends about 1 mm from the hand piece and provides precision for the beam to be placed and guided.

With the soft tissue, the tip of the fiber is held in contact and pushed in the same way as a traditional scalpel. The laser technique is slightly slower than using a scalpel, but produces a hemorrhage and pain free, very controlled tissue removal. Overuse of laser energy causes tissue shrinkage and unwanted damage to crown margins. Healing is quick and uneventful. Laser safety instructions should always be followed by the operator. The postoperative directions should include morning and night warm saltwater rinses for 5 to 7 days and the use of an ultra-soft tooth brush to the affected area, using the adapted sulcular brushing bass technique.

Conclusion

Gingival retraction holds the justify of being a vital clinical strategy for predictable softtissue administration and impression-making. The choice of method and material utilized for gingival retraction rests upon cost-efficacy and accessibility. With rapid-paced improvement in materials accessible for gingival retraction for tooth or dental implant circumstance, an alarm and upright clinician will select wisely and stay side by side with the unused information.

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