

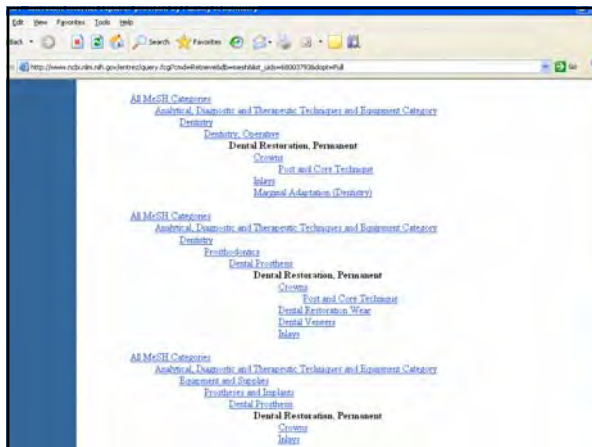
Clinical performance of alloys and metal ceramic restorations

Asbjørn Jokstad

How many reports with focus on clinical performance of alloys and metal ceramic restorations can be identified?



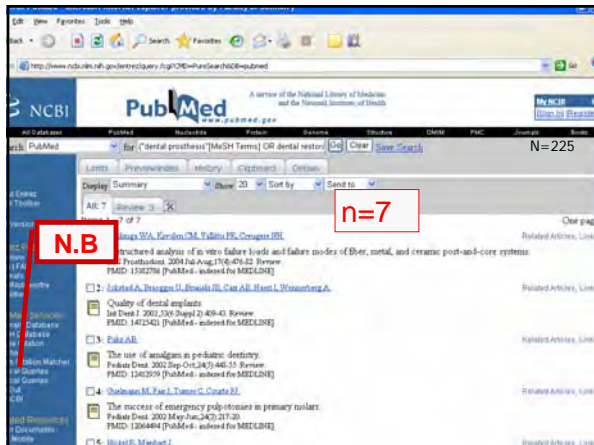
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**Strength of evidence
Clinical performance of alloys and metal ceramic
restorations**

1: Systematic reviews	
2: Clinical evidence	
3: Laboratory experiments	
4: Opinions, descriptive studies, narrative reports, etc.	
	877

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AIM:

Determine longevity
of different dental
restoration materials
&
address cost-
effectiveness

337 page report
1999.

Effectiveness bulletin

What type of filling? Best practice in dental restorations

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Br Dent J 1999;167: 432-9.

2. International ESPE Dental Symposium

150 Experts Discuss "Adhesive Dentistry"

Restorative materials: An evidence based review

Reviewing more than 500 clinical studies, Dr. Aldred analyzes the longevity rates and reports the failure of direct resin composites, amalgam, and glass-ionomer cement restorations in Class I and Class II posterior cavities.

By Professor Dr. Reinhard Hebel (as presented at the 2nd International ESPE Dental Symposium in Philadelphia, May 2003)

Improved care and a dramatic decrease in caries in developed countries coupled with patient demand for increased esthetics are changing the face of dentistry. New restorative materials and new techniques also are significantly affecting the way dentists practice.

No change has been more dramatic than the decreased use of amalgam for posterior restorations. Spurred in part by controversy over amalgam's environmental impact and biocompatibility, clinicians in the last 35 years have been abandoning amalgam in favor of the newer tooth-colored restoratives.

In Germany, for example, three-quarters of all cavities in 1995 were restored using amalgam; 10 years later, amalgam accounted for only 30% of the restorations placed.

In other countries the decline has been even more dramatic. In 1985 only 40% of all restorations placed by Swedish dentists were amalgam. And, last year politicians there announced their decision that insurance companies would not pay for amalgam restorations beginning in the year 2001.2

In some countries, however, the transition to the contemporary restoratives. In 1998 in the United States, 85% of all fillings placed were amalgam, 2 nine years later, 50% of fillings were still being restored with amalgam.

U.S. dentists are not alone. A survey conducted in 1999 by EGPE, under the guidance of Prof. Dr. Casimiroso, Gunn Wilson, and myself, and sent to a total of 24,000 dentists in 18 European countries and the United States, asked dentists to indicate

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Quality of dental restorations
FDI Commission Project 2-95*

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John Wilson
Stephen Boyd
Charles Hill
Uwe Ruck
Boris Gernert
Marko Tapp
Hans-Joachim
Mittelman, UK

Int Dent J 2001; 51: 117-158

AIM: Review all factors that may affect the quality of a dental restoration

298 references

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14000 papers -> 5675 studies

Outcome measure	Restoration placement						Restoration retention					
	Study design code number	Restoration requirement (subjective opinion)	Restoration requirement (use of criteria but no timing)	Restoration requirement (use of criteria, timing and/or calibration, include GPO/UK where not too examiners etc)	Restoration requirement (valid outcome, criteria, timing and calibration (where properly used))	Restoration Failure (without previous intervention)	Restoration Failure (with previous intervention)	Restoration Failure (without previous intervention)	Restoration Failure (with previous intervention)	Restoration Failure (without previous intervention)	Restoration Failure (with previous intervention)	
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3	2	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
4	3	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
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652 studies
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253 studies
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195 studies

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Challenges with studies investigating longevity of dental restorations— a critique of a systematic review

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Abstract

Objectives: A systematic review is a method of evaluating the published and unpublished literature relating to a specific area or topic. The objectives of this paper are to identify and discuss problems encountered in synthesising the available literature; and to make recommendations for the future conduct and reporting of clinical trials that aim to determine the longevity of dental restorations.

Data sources: Studies were identified by a wide search of published and unpublished material in any language using a large number of general and specialist data bases, hand searching of key dental journals and searching of abstracts from conference proceedings.

Study selection: Pre-defined inclusion criteria based on objective outcome measures of restoration longevity and study designs were applied to determine study selection.

Conclusions: A review of the longevity of dental restorations completed recently encountered substantial problems in designing an appropriate protocol to address this issue. The review found that many of the factors reported previously as affecting restoration longevity could not be confirmed using the agreed systematic review protocol that incorporated an objective study design. Further, the multiplicity of study designs, and reporting methods found in the literature made meta-analyses impossible. A proforma is proposed in order to aid the design of future research into the longevity of restorations. © 2001 Elsevier Science B.V. All rights reserved.

Author and year	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
Hamilton et al. (1983) ¹⁷	1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (10)
Hendriks et al. (1985) ¹⁹	1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (10)
Wilson et al. (1994) ²⁷	1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (10)
Widbury et al. (1990) ¹⁵	2	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (8)
Wilson & Norman (1991) ¹⁶	2	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (10)
Alkhouf et al. (1992) ³	3	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (10)
Davies (1984) ⁷	4	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (8)
Elderton (1982) ¹²	4	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (8)
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Smiles (1991) ³⁰	4	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (8)
Van Dijken (1991) ³³	4	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (10)
Allen (1977) ²	5	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (8)
Bentley & Drake (1986) ³	5	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (8)
Bjerrum & Sonju (1990) ⁴	5	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (8)
Cook (1981) ¹¹	5	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (8)
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Gray (1976) ¹⁶	5	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (8)
Hopwood & Smiles (1997) ¹⁸	5	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (8)
Hunter (1985) ²⁰	5	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (8)
Lovell (1976) ²⁴	5	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (10)
Latalat et al. (1997) ²⁶	5	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (10)
Latalat et al. (1989) ²⁵	5	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (10)
Mahmoud & Smiles (1994) ³⁷	5	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (8)
Mayhew (1992) ²⁸	5	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (8)
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Wells et al. (1985) ³⁴	5	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (8)
MacIntosh et al. (1985) ³⁵	5	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (8)
Burke et al. (1998) ⁷	6	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (8)
Friedl et al. (1994) ¹⁴	6	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (8)
Ford et al. (1991) ¹⁵	6	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (8)

Table 1 Criteria of assessment of validity and quality of studies for inclusion in the review

- A Design type — hierarchical classification**
- 1 Randomised controlled trials
 - 2 Nonrandomised controlled trials
 - 3 Longitudinal experimental clinical studies
 - 4 Longitudinal prospective studies
- Less satisfactory investigations**
- 5 Longitudinal retrospective studies
- Least satisfactory investigations**
- 6 Cross-sectional studies
 - 7 Reports consisting only of an abstract
- B Was the study described as randomised? Yes/no**
- C Were the examiners calibrated? (studies with one or more assessors) Yes/no**
- D Were the terms 'failure' and 'survival' of restorations clearly defined? Yes/no**
- E Were the criteria for replacement clearly defined? Yes/no**
- F Were effect modifiers considered? Yes/no**
- G Was the assessment based on clinical examinations? Yes/no**
- H Was the effect of censoring data considered? Yes/no**
- I Appropriate outcome measure used? Yes/no**
- 8 Median survival time (MST) or median longevity
 - 9 Cumulative survival rate
 - 10 Survival/failure rate

REVIEW
Dental restorations

How long do routine dental restorations last? A systematic review

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Objective To conduct a systematic review of the literature on the longevity of routine dental restorations in permanent posterior teeth, and to identify and examine factors influencing its variability.

Method Accepted guidelines were followed. An advisory group oversaw the project. Simple Class I and Class II amalgam, composite resin, glass ionomer and cast gold restorations were covered. Comprehensive searching of electronic databases, hand-searching, and location of 'grey' literature, generated 124 research reports. Those considered relevant were assessed for validity and quality according to agreed criteria. The analysis was descriptive.

Results Eight of 68 relevant research reports were categorised, according to agreed criteria, as being of satisfactory validity and quality. They suggested that 50% of all restorations last 10 to 20 years, although both higher and lower median survival times were reported. The findings were supported by the totality of studies reviewed. However, variability was substantial. Restoration type, materials, the patient, the operator, the practice environment and type of care system appeared to influence longevity.

Conclusions Many studies were imperfect in design. Those considered to be the most appropriate for analysis were too limited to undertake a formal statistical exploration. Therefore there remains a need for definitive randomised controlled trials of restoration longevity, of sound design and adequate power, employing standardised assessments and appropriate methods of analysis.

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Clinical studies

1. Observational
2. Experimental
 1. Controlled trials
 2. Prognosis

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Clinical studies

1. Observational

- Replaced restorations (Retrospective)
- Restorations in situ (Retrospective)

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Clinical studies

1. Observational

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- Restorations in situ (Retrospective)

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Age of replaced restorations

Authors	Year	Sample size
Mjör et al.	2000	9805
Mjör et al.	2002	8395
Mjör et al.	2000	6761
Burke et al.	1999	4608
Friedl et al.	1995	3375
Burke et al.	2001	3196
Bay	1982	2291
MacInnis et al.	1991	2280
Burke et al.	2002	2099
Mjör & Moorhead	1998	2035

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1. Observational

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- Restorations in situ (Retrospective)

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How old are these restorations?



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1: Acta Odontol Scand 1994 Aug;52(4):234-42

The age of restorations in situ.

Jokstad A, Mjor IA, Qvist V.
Dental Faculty, University of Oslo, Norway.

In a cross-sectional survey the age of restorations in situ was recorded in three patient groups. Group A were randomly examined regular attenders, group B were irregular attenders randomly chosen from patient treatment records, and in group C the age of posterior gold and composite resin restorations was recorded in selected regular attenders. The study material included 8310 restorations in group A, 1284 in group B, and 500 restorations in group C. The three materials amalgam, composite, and gold accounted for more than 90% of all restorations. In group A 3.3% of the restorations were scheduled for replacement. The most prevalent reasons for replacement were secondary caries, bulk fractures of the restoration, and tooth fractures. The median age of the failed restorations was fairly similar to the median age of the acceptable restorations in situ among the regular patients (group A). The data indicate median ages of 20 years for gold restorations, 12-14 years for amalgam restorations, and 7-8 years for composite resin restorations. The restoration ages were influenced by the type and size of the restoration, the restorative material used, and possibly also the intra-oral location of the restorations.

Publication Types:
• Clinical Trial
• Randomized Controlled Trial

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Clinical studies

1. Observational
2. Experimental

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What is
our principal clinical
question/problem?


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1. Which
material group
perform best?

i.e a question of
Therapy

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1. Which material group perform best?

2. Which product within the material group performs best?
i.e a question of Therapy

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The best intervention? i.e a question of therapy
Study requirements:

- Random allocation of the participants to the alternative interventions
- Outcome measures of known or probably clinical importance for at least 80 per cent of participants who entered the investigation
- A statistical analysis consistent with the study design.

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InterScience

Search Results

There are 45 results out of 47117 records for: "dentistry AND dental" OR "dentistry AND dentistry" in All Fields in The Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials

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2. Clinical trial of all-out wire the one-unit fixed partial dentures, prepared with three different CAD-CAM systems. (Cochrane Review) | [Full Text](#) | [Abstract](#) | [Download PDF](#) | [View](#)
Year: 2005

3. Effects of bond of various lingual surfaces, enamel conditioning procedures and storage duration on brackets debonding characteristics. (Cochrane Review) | [Full Text](#) | [Abstract](#) | [Download PDF](#) | [View](#)
Year: 2005

How long will these restorations last?
(At what stage is more benefit than harm done by replacing them?)



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What will follow the intervention?... i.e a question of prognosis . Study requirements:

- An inception cohort of persons, all initially free of the outcome of interest
- Follow-up of at least 80 per cent of patients until the occurrence of either a major study criteria or the end of the study
- A statistical analysis consistent with the study design.

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		The truth	
		A is better than B	A is no better than B
What the trial shows	A is better than B	✓	X
	A is no better than B	X	✓

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What can you show with a trial?

Type 1 error
Alfa error
Optimism error

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What the trial shows	A is better than B	✓	X
	A is no better than B	X	✓

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Type 1 error

1. Poor study design

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Type 2 error

1. Underpowered study
2. Fallacies of observed clinical failure
 - Wrong diagnosis
 - Incorrect cause-effect correlation
 - Multifactorial problem
 - Lack of cooperation
 - Improper execution of treatment
 - Premature evaluation of treatment
 - Limited success of treatment
 - Psychological barriers to success

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Clinical studies

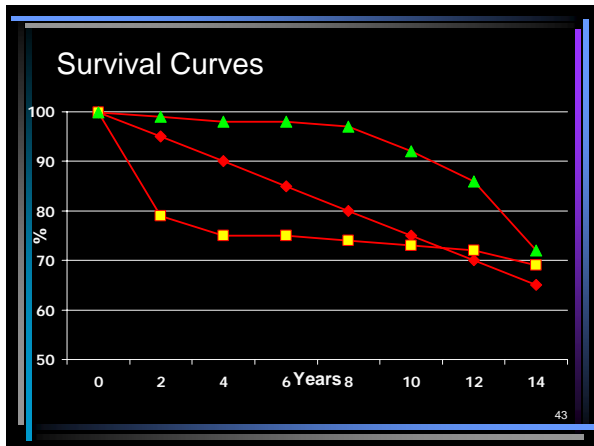
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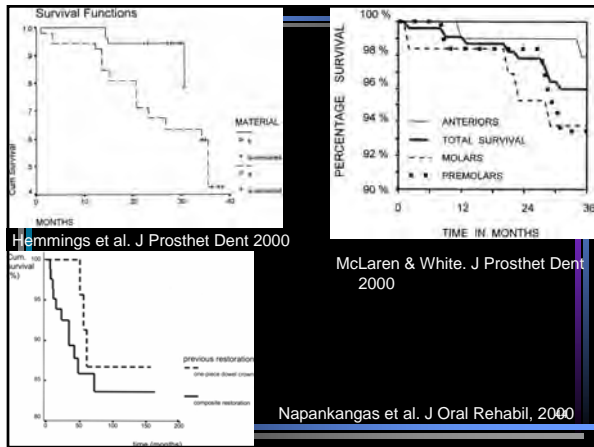
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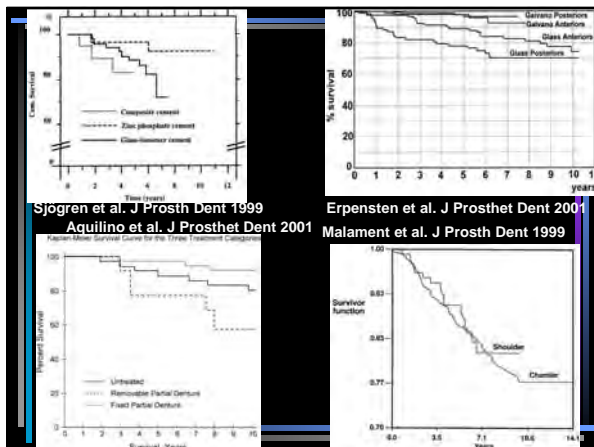
Prognosis – likelihood estimates

- Proportion of survival or success according to some specific criteria after a given temporal interval, e.g. after 1 or 5 years
- Median time of survival (in years), where 50% of the study unit, e.g. the patient, prosthesis, restorations or tooth, have failed, or
- Survival curves – describe for each time unit along a horizontal axis estimates of the proportion of the study unit that remain intact according to survival or success according to some specific criteria

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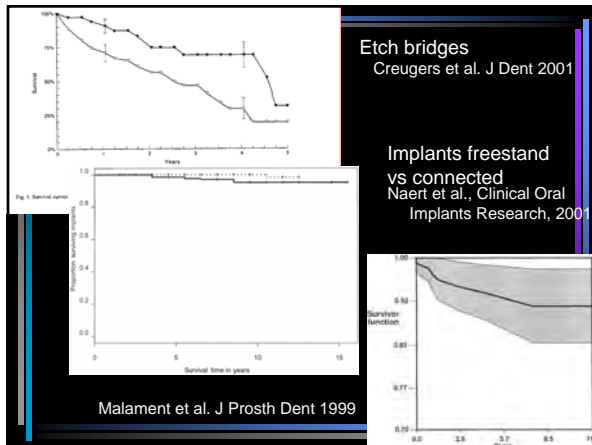


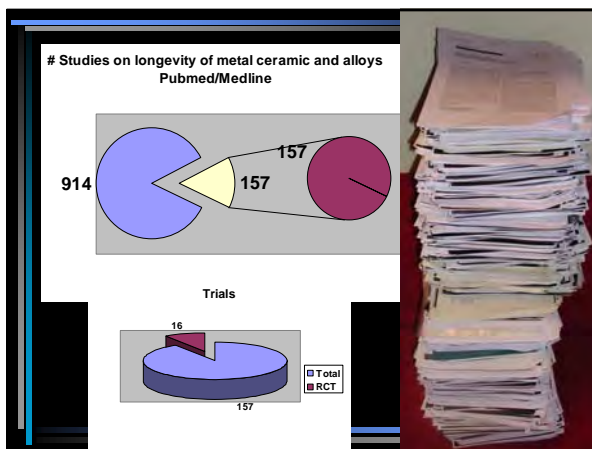


Prognosis - Precision of the likelihood estimates

- All good clinical prognosis studies include measures of confidence intervals for prognosis-estimates
- A 95% confidence interval consists of two values that indicating an interval where we can be 95% certain that the true value lies
- A narrow confidence interval is an indication of a precise estimate of the true value

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5. Majority of clinical studies use surrogate outcomes and not patient-focused criteria
6. Most clinical trials studies are done in secondary settings- not real-life dentistry

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Strength of evidence
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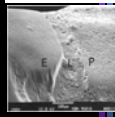
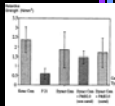
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Laboratory tests - clinical relevance? 1/2

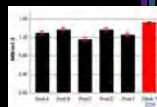
Static stresses

- Compressive (crushing) strength, 1h & 24 h
- Tensile strength, 15 min.
- Transverse strength, 1h & 24 h
- (Flexure/bending/modulus of rupture)
- Modulus of elasticity (Young's Modulus)
- Shear modulus



Dynamic tests

- Compressive modulus
- Tensile modulus
- Bending modulus
- Resilience
- Fatigue
- Fracture toughness



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Laboratory data - clinical relevance? 2/2

Other defined tests

- Flow (Creep) 3-24 h
- Dimensional change 5 min -24 h
- (Polymerization/setting contraction/expansion)
- Hardness
- Thermal Expansion Coefficient
- Water solubility
- Water sorption



Other undefined tests

- Abrasion resistance (Wear)
- Adhesion
- Surface roughness
- Margin leakage



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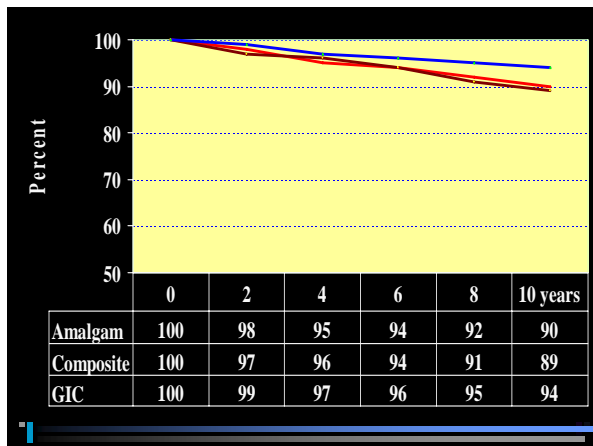
Quality and longevity of metallic restorations

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Quality of dental restorations

- Longevity curves of varying materials and lengths of survival ?

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Quality of dental restorations

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- odds ratios to show relationships between clinical variables and quality and longevity in various segments of patient populations.

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Quality of dental restorations

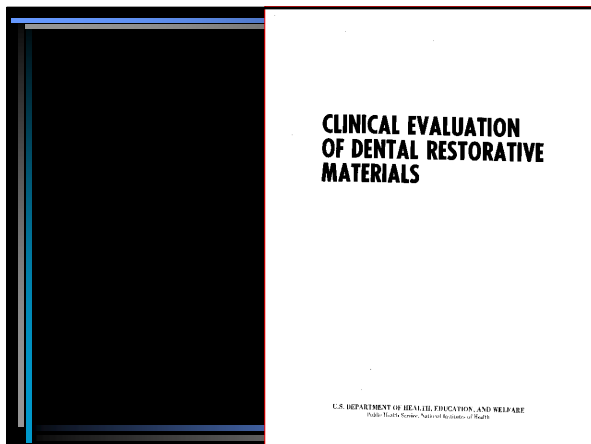
Independent variables	Bi-variate odds ratios	Bivariate significance	95% Confidence intervals bivariate odds ratios	Multi-variate odds ratios	Multivariate significance	95% Confidence intervals for multivariate odds ratios
Age group						
20-30	-	**	-	-	-	-
30-40	2.32	**	1.15 - 3.13	2.52	**	1.35 - 3.33
+40	2.63	***	1.43 - 3.08	2.63	***	1.83 - 3.8
Gender						
Male	-	-	-	-	-	-
Female	2.42	**	1.61 - 2.79	2.12	**	1.91 - 2.9
Material						
Amalgam	-	-	-	-	-	-
Composites	1.12	NS	0.13 - 1.56	1.42	NS	1.13 - 1.96
Glass ionom.	3.12	***	2.52 - 4.34	5.65	**	4.67 - 7.23
Dentists						
#1	-	-	-	-	-	-
#2	1.34	NS	0.35 - 1.61	1.04	NS	1.35 - 2.01
Location						
Mandible	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maxilla	1.55	*	1.17 - 2.04	1.15	*	1.57 - 2.14

Quality of dental restorations

- Longevity curves of varying materials and lengths of survival ?
- odds ratios to show relationships between clinical variables and quality and longevity in various segments of patient populations.
- scoring criteria according to different evaluation systems to describe the technical excellence of restorations.

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“Longevity data”

Numerical measures of the quality and longevity of dental restorations can be regarded simply as a consequence of either a correct or an incorrect treatment decision approach

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Replacement of restorations

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Which factors determine my treatment decision?

- Do we know which factors that influence our decisions to replace restorations?
- A number of both objective and subjective factors have been identified.

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Table 1 Factors influencing the decision to restore

a) Possible objective influences

<p>General patient factors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exposure to fluoride • Caries status • General health • Parafunction • Age (particularly child/adult) • Xerostomia • Socio-economic status • Diet 	
<p>Tooth factors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tooth location/type/size • Cavity design/type • Dentition • Occlusal load • Tooth quality e.g. hypoplasia 	
<p>Operator and restoration process factors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Material type • Physical properties • Quality of finish • Moisture control • Anaesthesia during restoration • Expertise • Training 	

b) Subjective factors

- Incentives (payment structure: salaried, government funded, private, insurance)
- Clinical setting (university, private practice, general dental practice, specialist practice, field trial)
- Country (local treatment fashions)
- Clinician's diagnostic, treatment and maintenance philosophy (influenced by training)
- Patient preferences

What takes place when considering replacement of a restoration?

- A consideration if more good than harm is done by replacing restorations, i.e. a risk-benefit analysis
- What must an examination include so a risk-benefit analysis can be carried out?
- Appraisal of the presence or absence of markers of oral disease
- Error to focus attention on the appearance of the restorations.

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Restoration quality in relation to the state of oral disease

1. consider my patient's overall risk profile

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Step 1: Overall risk profile

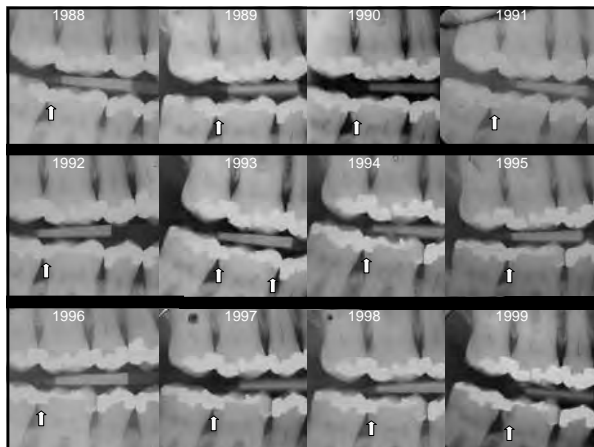
- Lack of compliance to a recall program or irregular dental attendance
- Presence of a systemic disease
- Medication side effects
- Cigarette smoking
- Dietary habits
 - Frequency of sugar intake
 - Availability of snacks
- Use of fluorides
- Social deprivation
- Low knowledge of dental disease
- Low dental aspirations
- History of repeated interventions

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Restoration quality in relation to the state of oral disease

1. consider my patient's overall risk profile
2. look for key risk markers of oral disease

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Step 2: Key risk markers of oral disease

- Previous caries experience or loss of periodontal support in relation to the patient's age
- Full mouth plaque and/or bleeding scores
- Saliva quantity and quality
- Prevalence of residual pockets

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Restoration quality in relation to the state of oral disease.

1. consider my patient's overall risk profile
2. look for key risk markers of oral disease
3. look out for pathogenic conditions or detect risk markers of a progressive oral disease

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Step 3: Pathogenic conditions and risk markers of progressive oral disease

- Inflammatory periodontal parameters and their persistence
- Caries and caries location
- Presence of ecological niches with difficult access such as furcations
- Presence of iatrogenic factors such as restoration discrepancies

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Stepwise risk assessment

1. Overall risk profile
2. Key risk markers of oral disease
3. Pathogenic conditions and risk markers of progressive oral disease
4. **It is not until this stage that concern about the technical excellence of a particular restoration should be addressed in context with the estimate of possible risk for disease progression at a particular tooth site.**

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USPHS – Caries (Cvar & Ryge, 1973)

Test: Visual inspection, with explorer and mirror if needed

Alfa: No evidence of caries contiguous with the margin

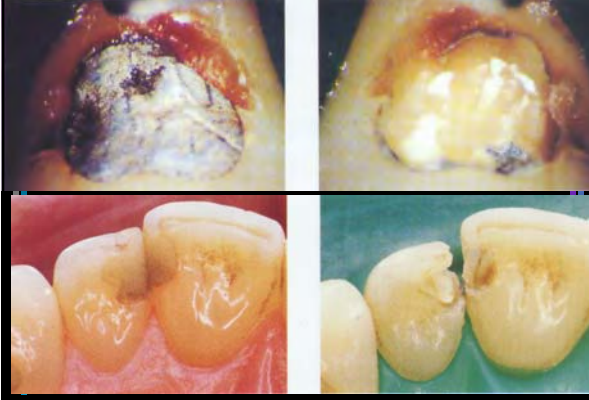
Bravo: Explorer catch or resist removal after insertion with moderate to firm pressure, and evidence of softness. Alternatively, opacity of the margin, as evidence of undermining or demineralization, or etching or a white spot as evidence of demineralization.

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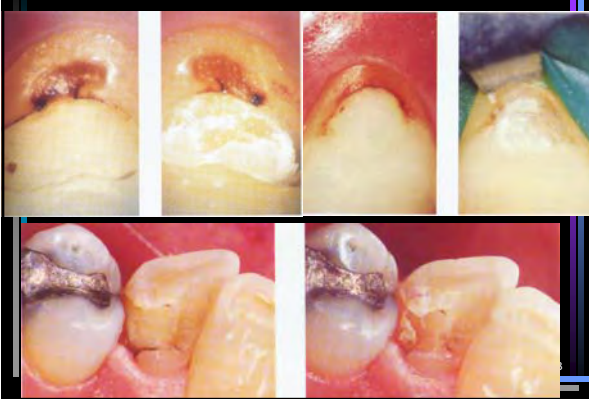


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Mjör & Toffenetti, Quintessence Int, 2000



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USPHS- Margin adaptation

Test: Lightly draw a sharp explorer back and forth across the margin. If catch, inspect for crevice with mirror if needed

Alfa: Explorer does not catch. No visible evidence of crevice.

Bravo: Explorer catches, and there is visible evidence of a crevice into which the explorer will penetrate. Dentin or base is not visible.

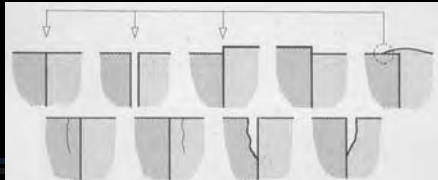
Charlie: Explorer penetrates into crevice that is of such depth that dentin or base is exposed

Delta: Restoration is fractured, mobile, or missing

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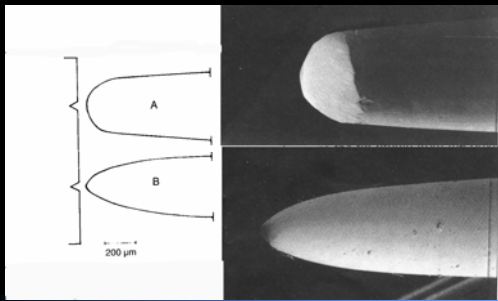
Inlays/onlays - margins

Gold: 25-50 μm
Composite inlays: 50-200 μm
Ceramic inlays: 50-200 μm



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Probe as a diagnostic tool?

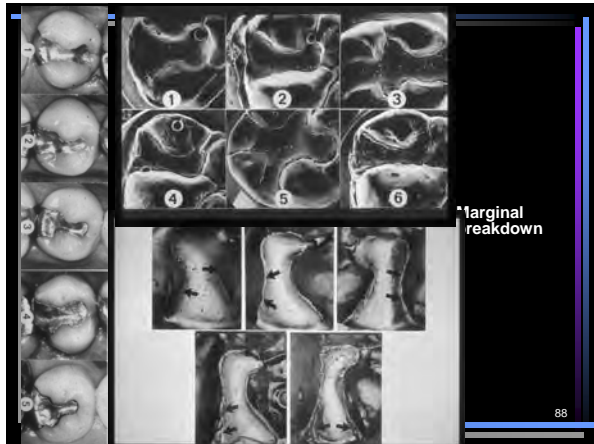


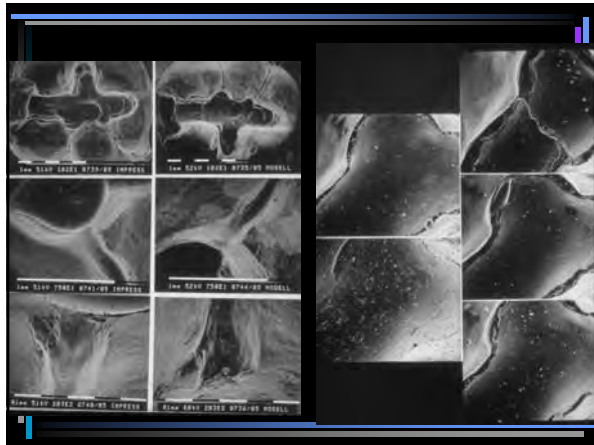
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New and old

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Study	External indications of secondary caries		Validation method and criteria	Relation between external indication and validation criteria
	Marginal integrity	Discolouration		
Kidd & O'Hara, 1990	+		Histopathological examination Presence or absence of outer and wall lesion	No
Kidd et al., 1994		+	Stereomicroscopic examination Enamel-dentine junction colour Enamel-dentine junction consistency	No
Rudolph et al., 1995	+	+	Microradiographic examination Presence of radiolucent or radiopaque areas at the enamel-dentine junction	No
Pimenta et al., 1995	+		Histopathological examination Presence or absence of outer and wall lesion	No
Rudolph et al., 1996		+	Microradiographic examination Presence of radiolucent or radiopaque areas at the enamel-dentine junction	No

What is the situation in 2006?

- The oral diseases are the same
- The need for high technical excellence remains unchanged
- better understanding of etiological mechanisms of oral diseases
- documented effectiveness of a range of prophylactic interventions to avoid or arrest oral diseases
- aggressive promotion of oral health care products through advertising
- majority of the population have topical fluoride treatments 365x2 per year

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Dental restorations and prognosis

a. Observe?
or
b. Repair?
or
c. Replace?

Pain
Tissue damage
Integrity
Pulp
Caries risk
Function
Replicate


- a. Observe?
or
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c. Replace?



Pain:
Tissue damage:
Integrity: Pulp - Caries risk - Function - Replicate ✓


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a. Observe?
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Pain: -
Tissue damage: ✓
Integrity: Pulp ? Caries risk ? Function ✓ Replicate ✓

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Longevity –
estimates from
literature

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Patient Information

1. Which biological/technical factors can affect the prognosis before, under and after therapy?
2. What can happen?

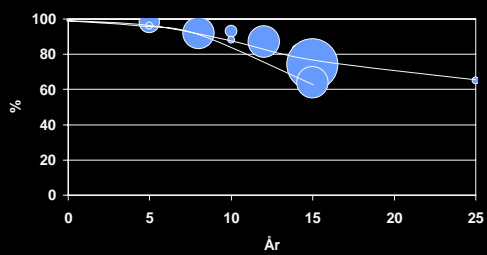
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Survival

- Technical defects?
 - can be repaired?
 - cannot be repaired?
 - Biological defects?
 - can be repaired?
 - cannot be repaired?
- Construction?
 - Part-Construction?
 - Tooth?
 - Mucosa?


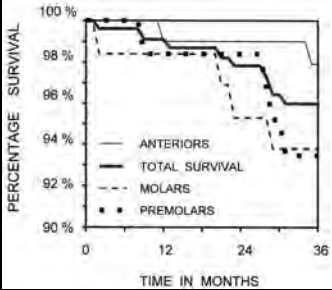
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FPDs



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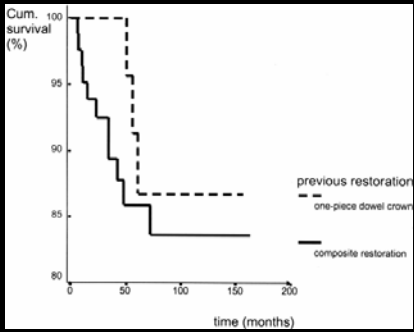
Intraoral localisation

McLaren & White. J Prosthet Dent 2000
n=408 / 107 pas.

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Previous treatment



Napancangas et al. J Oral Rehabil, 2000¹⁰⁷

Material factors - alloy

- No differences between alloys
 - Morris HF et al. J Prosthet Dent 1989; 1990; 1993 10y
 - Bessing C, et al. Acta Odontol Scand 1988; 1990 3y
- Titan & conventional alloy equivalent
 - Walter M, et al. J Oral Rehabil 1999 6y
 - Bergman B, et al. Int J Prosthodont 1999 2y
- Conventional alloy & sintered gold equivalent regarding gingiva
 - Setz & Diehl. Prosthet Dent 1994 2m

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Selection factors - vitality

- Increased risk with root-filled teeth having cantilever extension
 - Randow et al., 1986; Dahl et al., 1987; Karlsson, 1989
- Uncertain/weak risk with root-filled teeth
 - Leempoel et al., 1995
- No increased risk with root-filled teeth
 - Valderhaug et al., 1997

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Construction factors - extension

- Increased risk with extensions
 - Glantz et al., 1984, Randow et al., 1986; Karlsson, 1989,
- No increased risk with extensions
 - Leempoel et al., 1995

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Etch bridges

1. cement
2. Preparation
3. Size

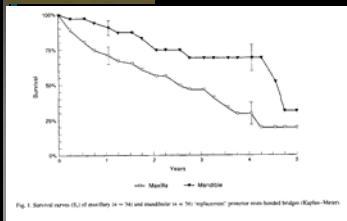


Fig. 3. Survival curves (%) of dentures in 100 Mandibular and 100 Maxillary groups with bonded bridges (Karlsson-Nyman).

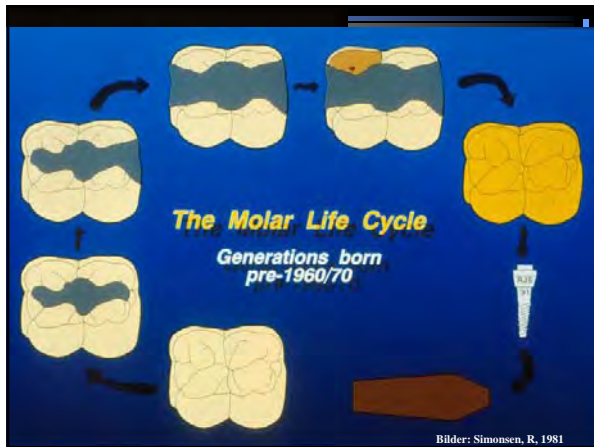
- Operator
- Alloy
- Etch method
- Intra-oral localisation

Creugers et al. J Dent 2001

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Why restorative therapy?

Protect from further damage



Principles for modern restorative care

1. Remove all infected caries
2. Remove as little as possible non-carious hard tissue
3. Evaluate which material is optimal for the given circumstance
4. Adjust preparation according to selected material to replace the lost hard tissue

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