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Risk of Fracture of Narrow Implant Components in Single Prosthesis of Maxillary Premolars: Study with Finite Elements

Abstract:

There are doubts about the useful life and risk of fracture of prosthetic components of small diameter implants, particularly in regions of greater masticatory effort. The present study evaluated the risk of fracture of single prostheses of maxillary premolars restored with Morse cone implants measuring 2.9 mm and 3.5 mm in diameter, with different bone loss profiles. To this end, a tomography model was edited to represent six models with different implants and bone crest thicknesses, including a model with vestibular fenestration. These were subjected to simulations in two steps, the first being the clamping pre-tension of the intermediary and the second a masticatory load of 120 N or 240 N, resulting in twelve different simulations. The results were compared to the strength of the materials to estimate the fatigue life of each component. These demonstrated that the models with 3.5 mm implants had a medium to long useful life expectancy, depending on the simulated masticatory load, while the models with 2.9 mm implants had a long useful life expectancy at a load of 120 N, but Short term structural failure for 240 N load.

Biography

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