

DR.

Augusto **ROBLES**, DMD, MS



arobles@uab.edu



[drroblesdmdms](https://www.instagram.com/drroblesdmdms)



THE DAWSON ACADEMY
Making Good Dentists Even Better

A ROBLES, DMD, MS

contemporary management of

Anterior Discolorations

A Robles, DMD, MS

Disclaimer

- ***I am part of the international consultant board for DMG mbH***
- ***I have been invited to the Ultradent KOL meeting***
- ***I have received consulting fees from 3M ESPE, and DMG mbH***

Disclaimer

- ***I do not have any financial interest in any of the companies or products mentioned in my presentation***
- ***What I mention is what I use either in research or in my practice***

Augusto **ROBLES**, DMD, MS

*Associate Professor and Director of the Operative Dentistry curriculum at UAB
School of Dentistry since 2011*



UNIVERSIDAD PERUANA
CAYETANO HEREDIA
FACULTAD DE ESTOMATOLOGÍA



Dentinaltube



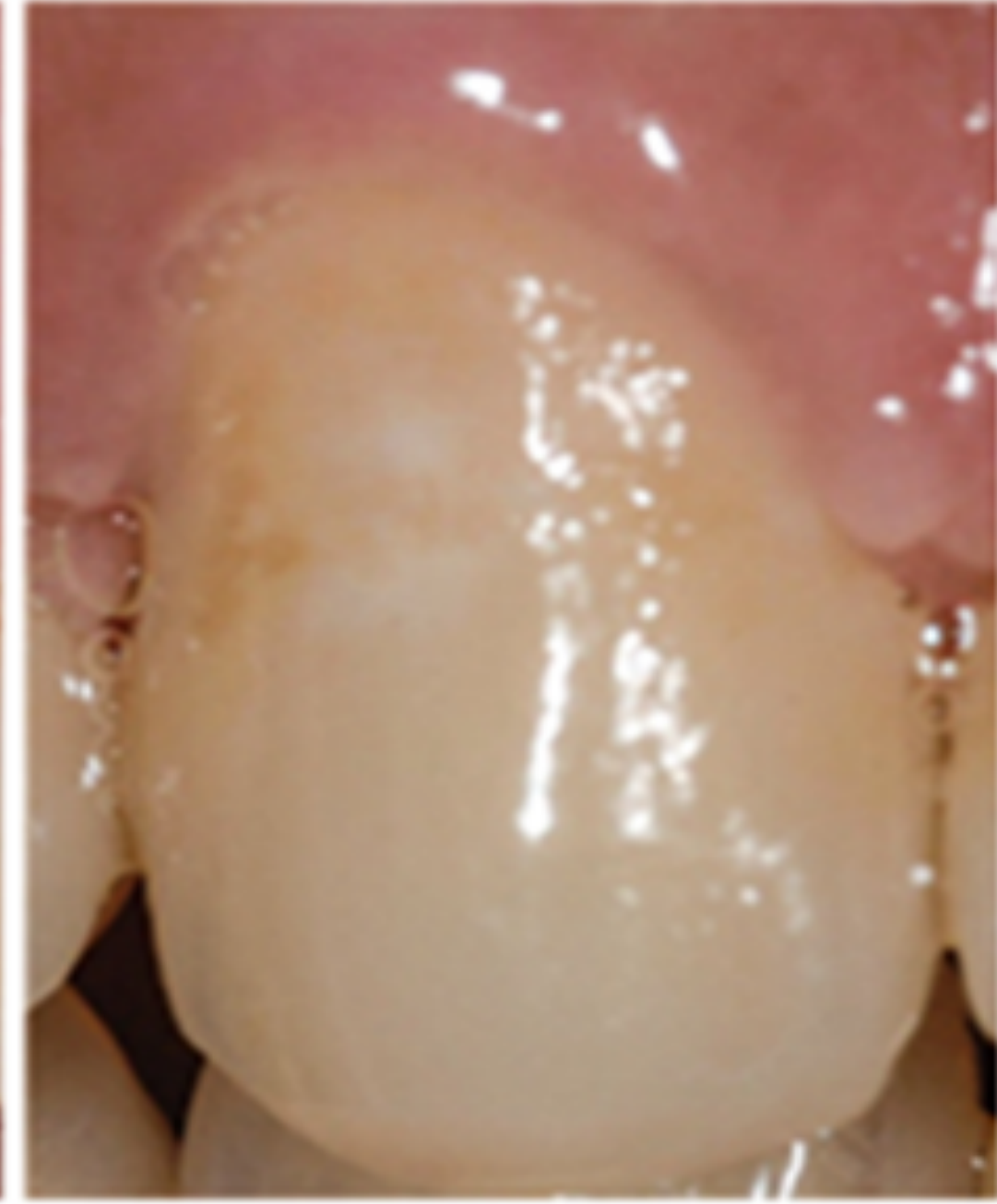
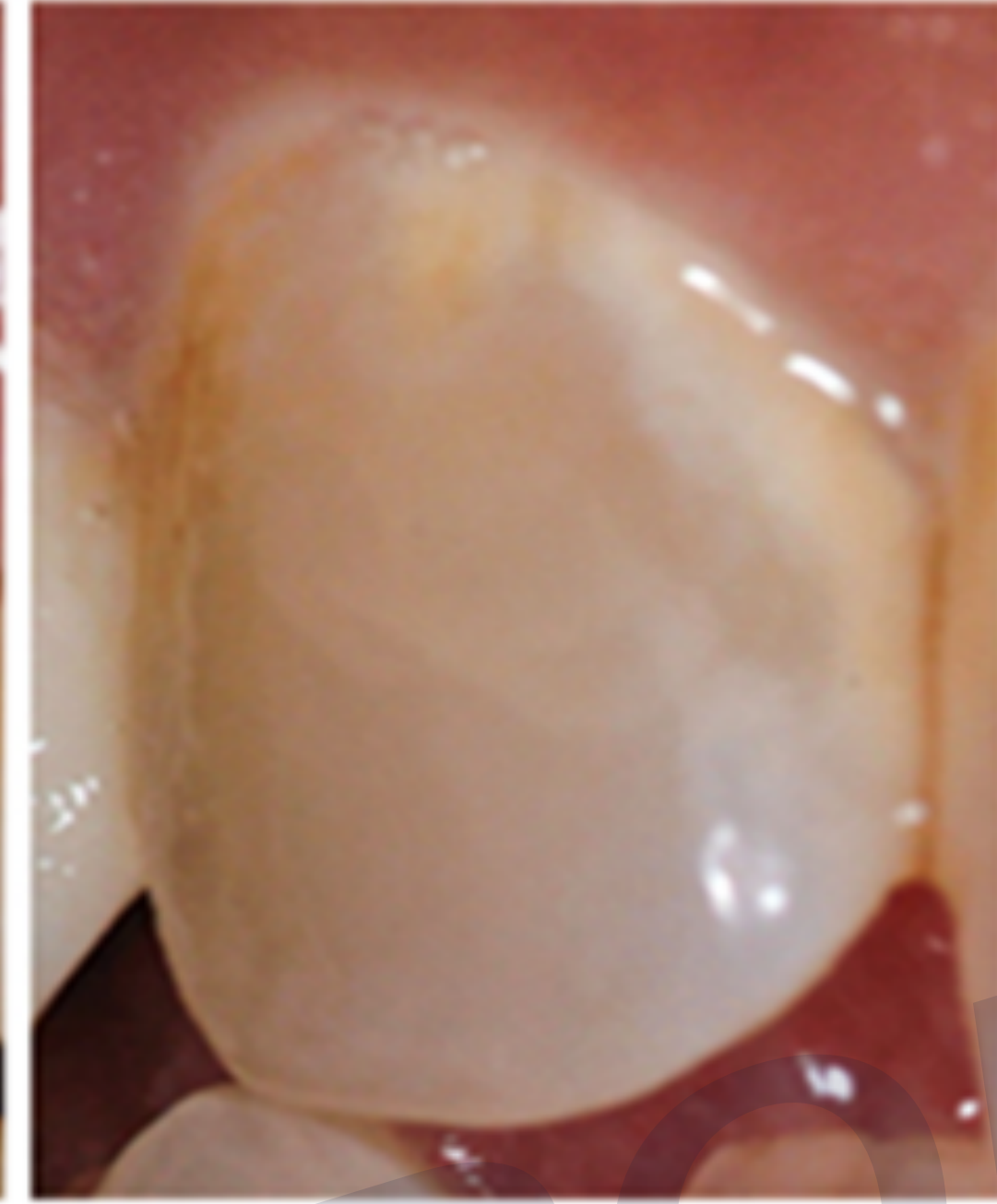
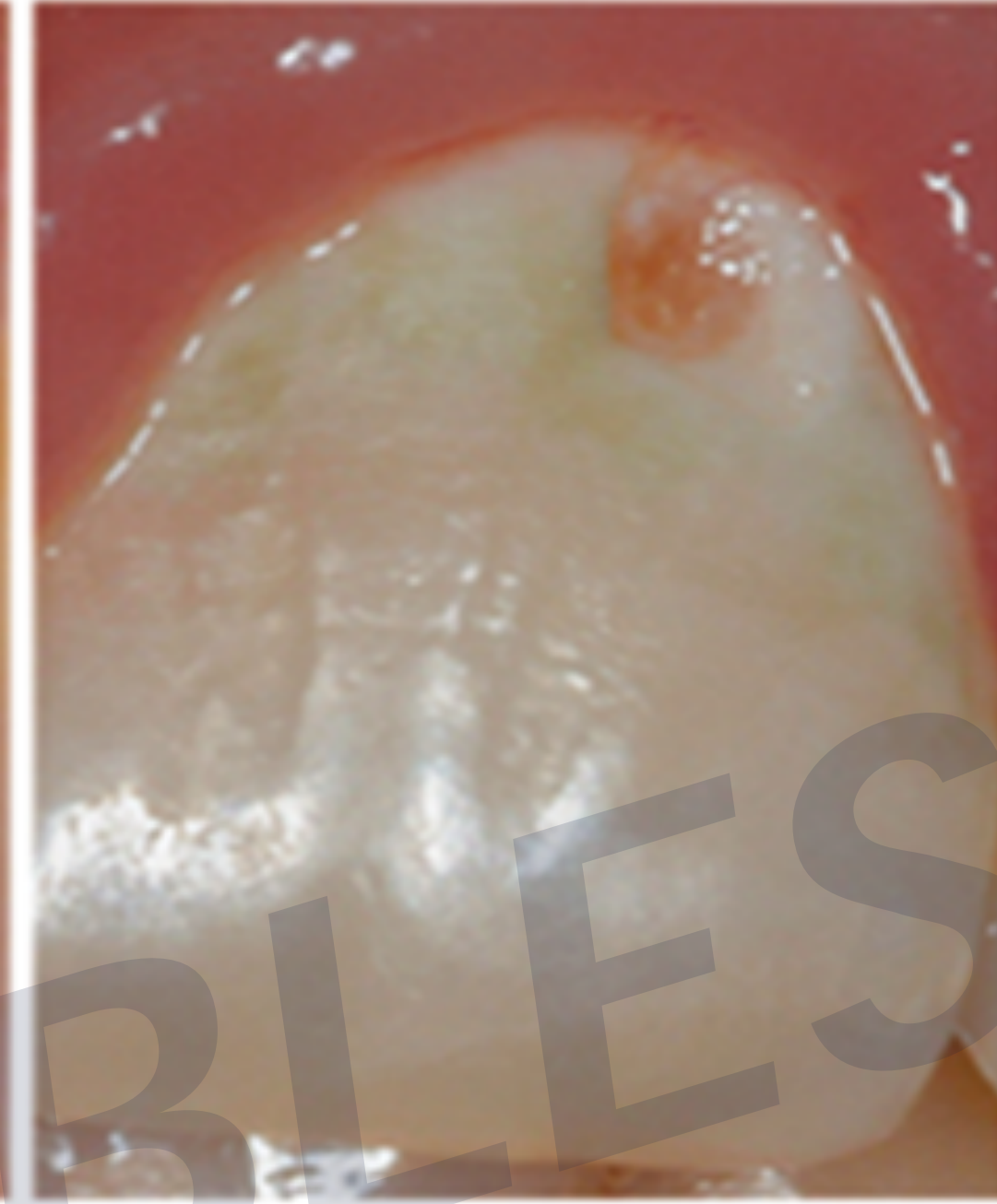
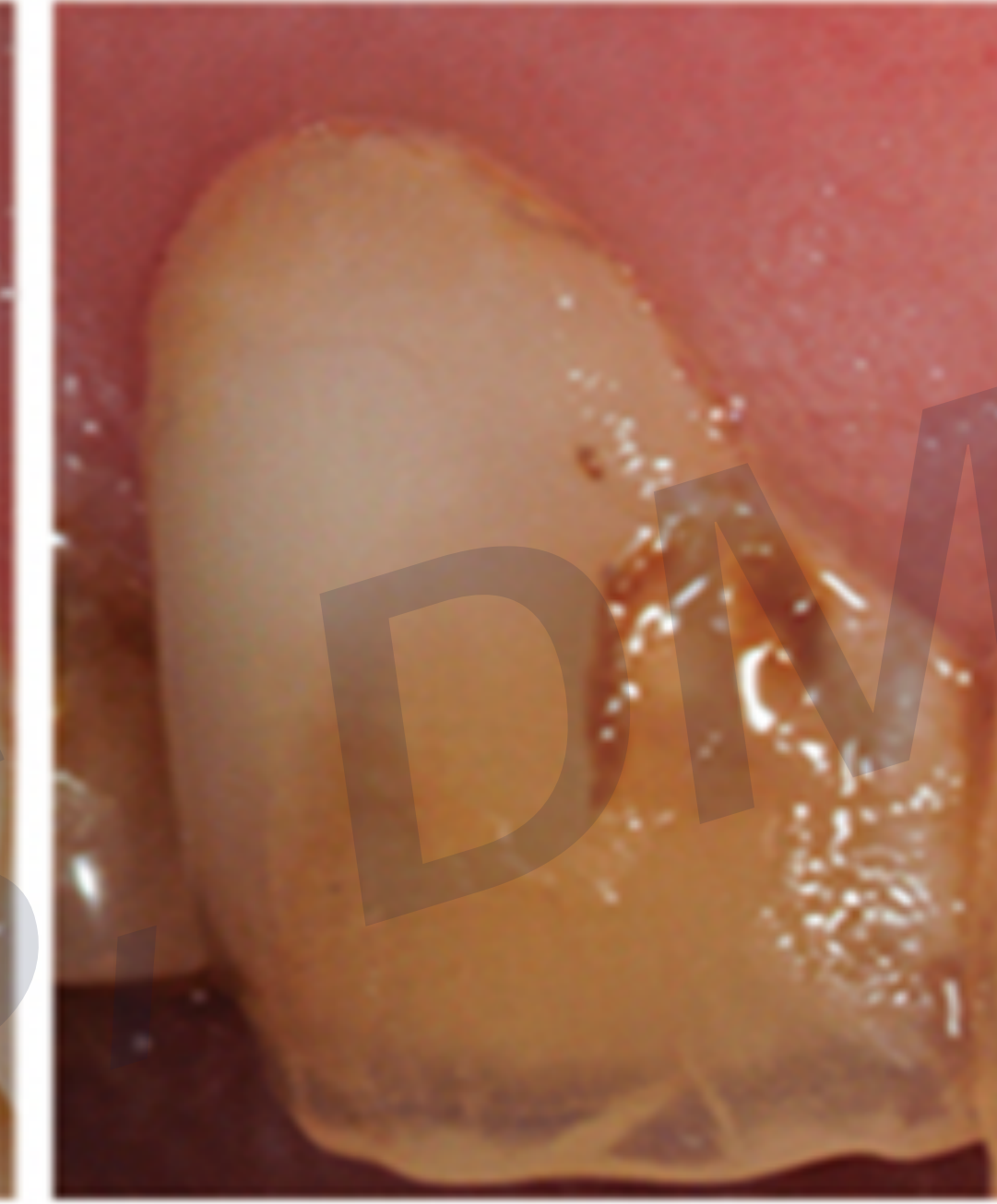
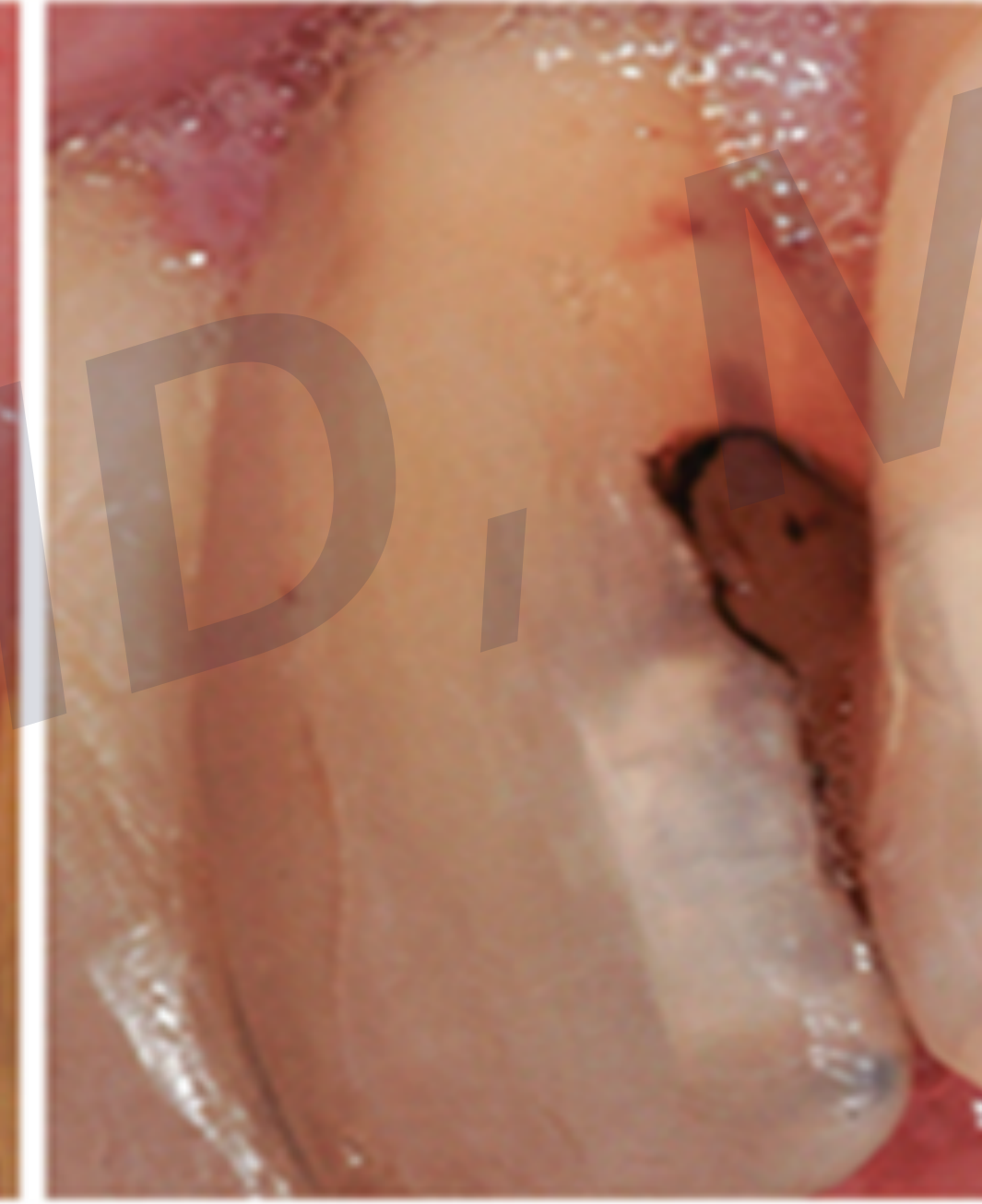


DMD, MS
Dentinaltube



Outline

- ***Intro: Caries***
- ***What are these discolorations?***
- ***Review of treatment options***
- ***Diagnostic methods***
- ***Review of cases***

Sound	Early Lesions		Moderate Lesions		Extensive	
						
Sound tooth surface; no caries change after air drying (5 secs); no hypoplasia, wear, erosion, or other noncaries phenomena	First visual change in enamel, seen only after air drying, or color change "thin" and limited to confines of pit-and-fissure areas	Distinct visual change in enamel, seen when wet, white, or colored, "wider" than the fissure/fossa	Localized enamel breakdown, with no visible dentin or underlying shadow, discontinuity of surface enamel, widening of fissure	Underlying dark shadow from dentin with or without localized enamel breakdown	Distinct cavity with visible dentin; frank cavitation involving less than half of tooth surface	Extensive distinct cavity with dentin; cavity is deep and wide, involving more than half of the tooth

Surface Enamel v. Sub-surface Enamel:

Harder

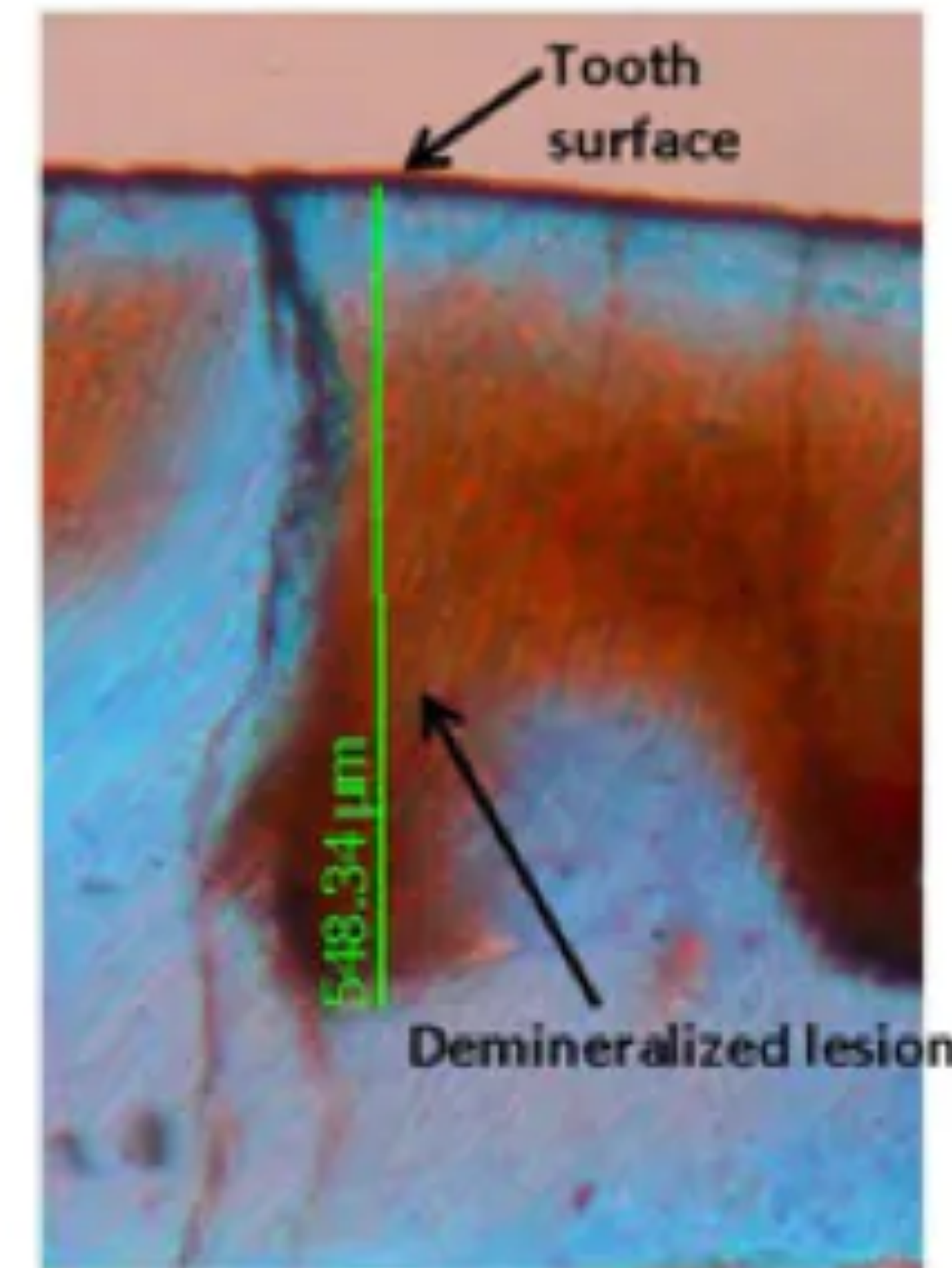
Less soluble

Aprismatic (highly mineralized)

Richer in fluoride



Buccal Surface of Maxillary Molar



PLM image of White Spot



Discolorations



What is what?

**Enamel can be
affected
before AND after
eruption**

PRE -eruptive MS

Post -eruptive



Most anterior discolorations fall under one of the following diagnosis:

- Caries (WSL)
- Dysmineralizations
- Trauma
- Molar-Incisor-Hypomineralization (MIH)

BUT can also be a combination!!!

■ **Caries (WSL)**

POST-eruptive

Areas where plaque accumulates

High incidence w/ fixed ortho

Pre-cavitated lesion

■ **Dysmineralization**

PRE-eruptive

Term coined by Dr T Croll

NOT everything is fluorosis

Exposure to elements can disrupt
enamel rod formation

■ Trauma

PRE-eruptive

Usually SINGLE tooth

Appears as depression on facial

■ **MIH**

PRE-eruptive

Molar ALWAYS involved

Incisor may or may not

Extreme sensitivity

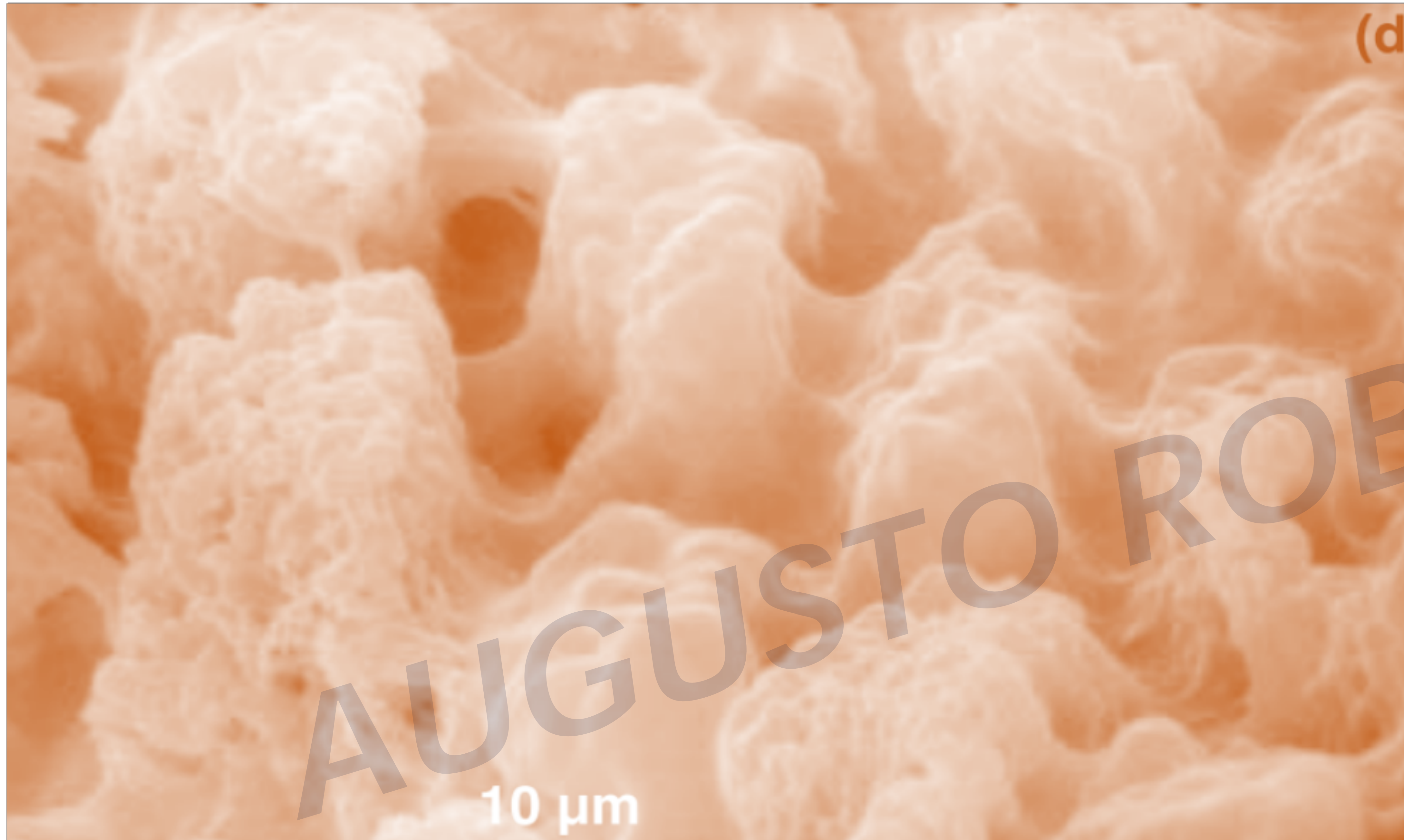
Poor hygiene and caries

***Why are some spots
yellow/brown?***

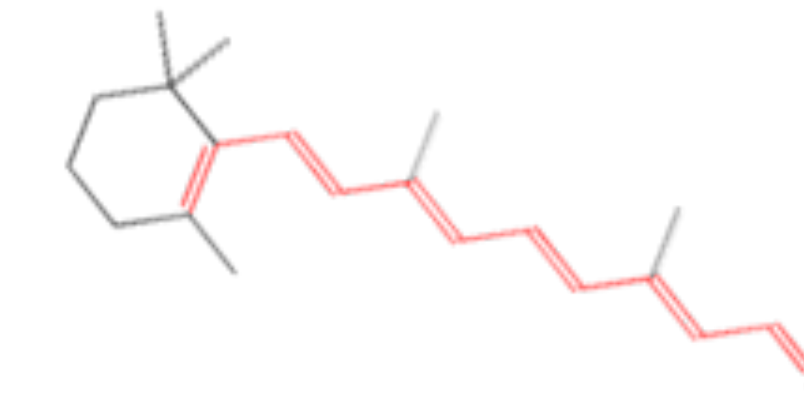


AUGUSTO ROBLES, DMD, MS

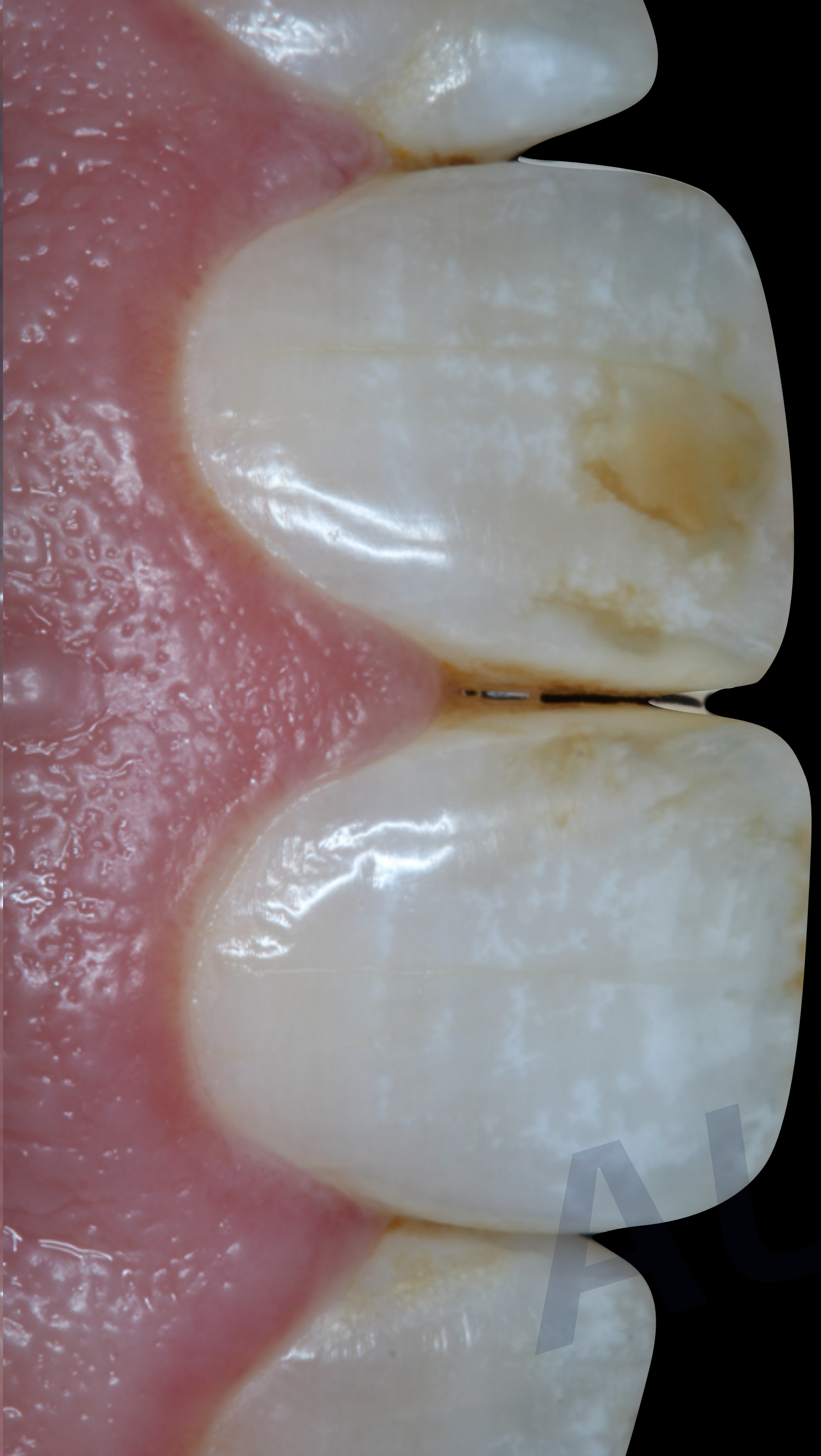




Surface irregularities and structural defects allow post-eruptive infiltration of extrinsic chromophores (proteins that stain)



15-21x higher protein content



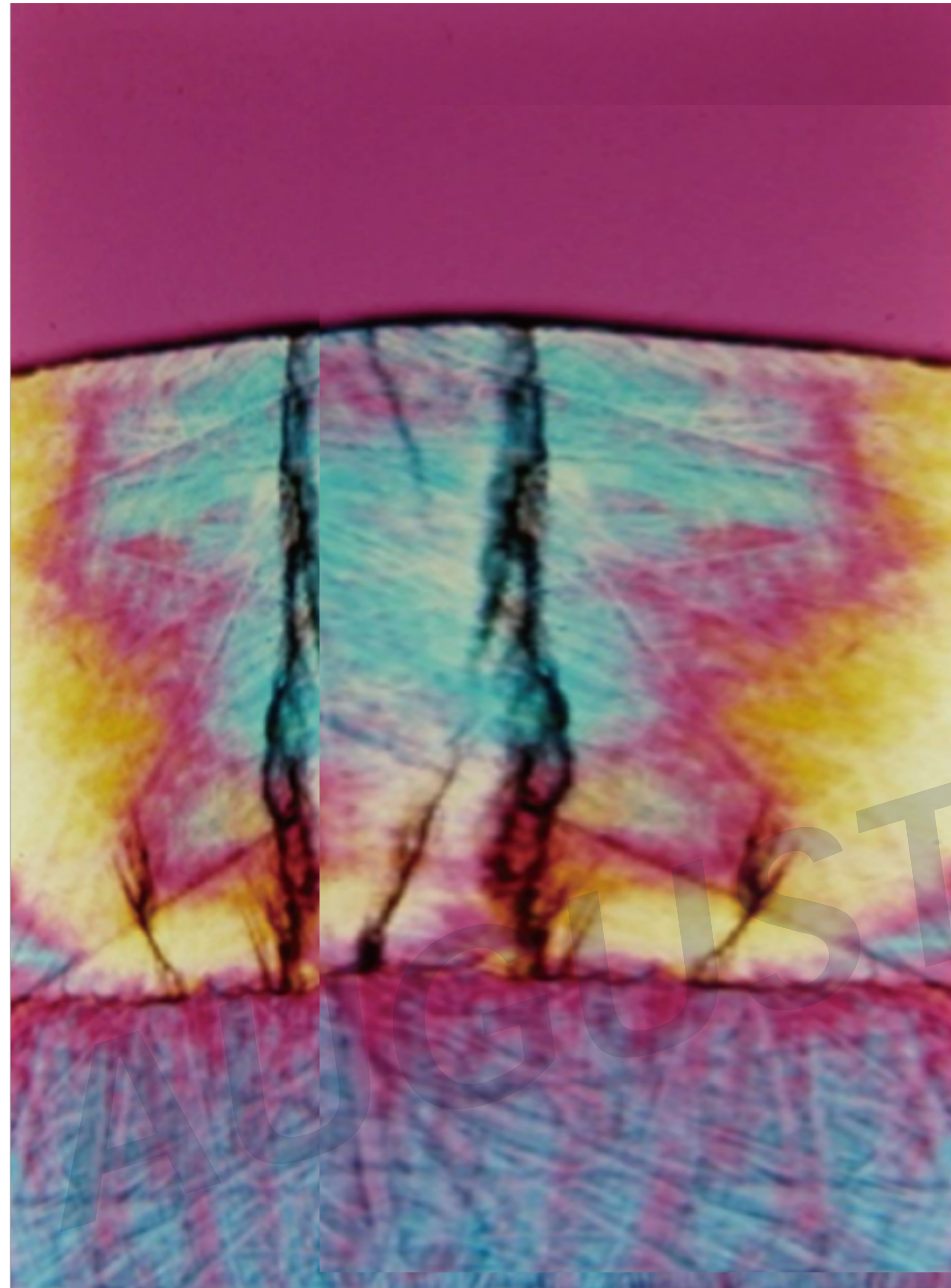
Microabrasion



How does it work?

Combination of ‘EROSION’ and ‘ABRASION’
= “ABROSION”

HCl softens enamel and slurry with abrasive particles
removes a thin layer of enamel



60 seconds of moderate pressure of microabrasion removes 25 μm of enamel, whereas 10 minutes of microabrasion removed 200 μm

Technique

Isolation: prevent splatter of acid (ideally rubber dam)
Apply slurry and press bristle rubber cup (moderate to firm)
over all facial surface
Slow speed handpiece at 500 RPMs



Technique

60 second intervals up to 5 times

When procedure completed, rinse thoroughly

Finishing rubber cup for surface polishing

Apply Fluoride varnish

Technique

Microabrasion could be followed by a remineralizing agent such as CPP-ACFP (MI Paste Plus) for 6 months for more esthetic results

Biggest problem: **compliance**



Vital Whitening



How does it work?

The color-producing materials ... are typically **organic compounds in dentin** with extended conjugated chains of alternating single or double bonds ... and are often referred to as ‘chromophore’ (intrinsic)

***What about those over the
counter strips?***



Conclusion: Whitening strips are effective compared to a placebo or other OTC tooth whitening agents, however, their effectiveness compared to tray-based gels with CP is debatable and dependent on the carbamide peroxide percentage and the application timespan





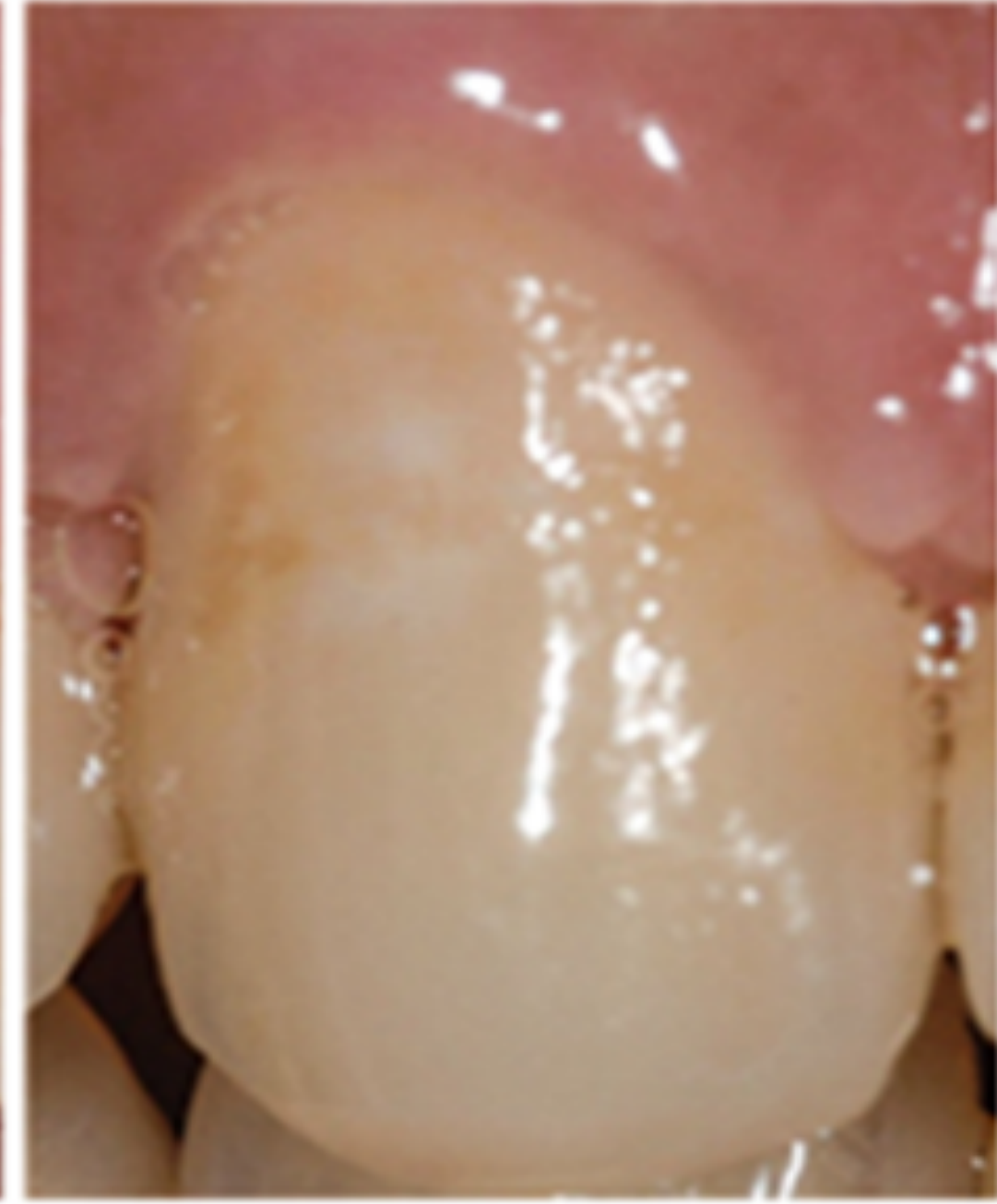
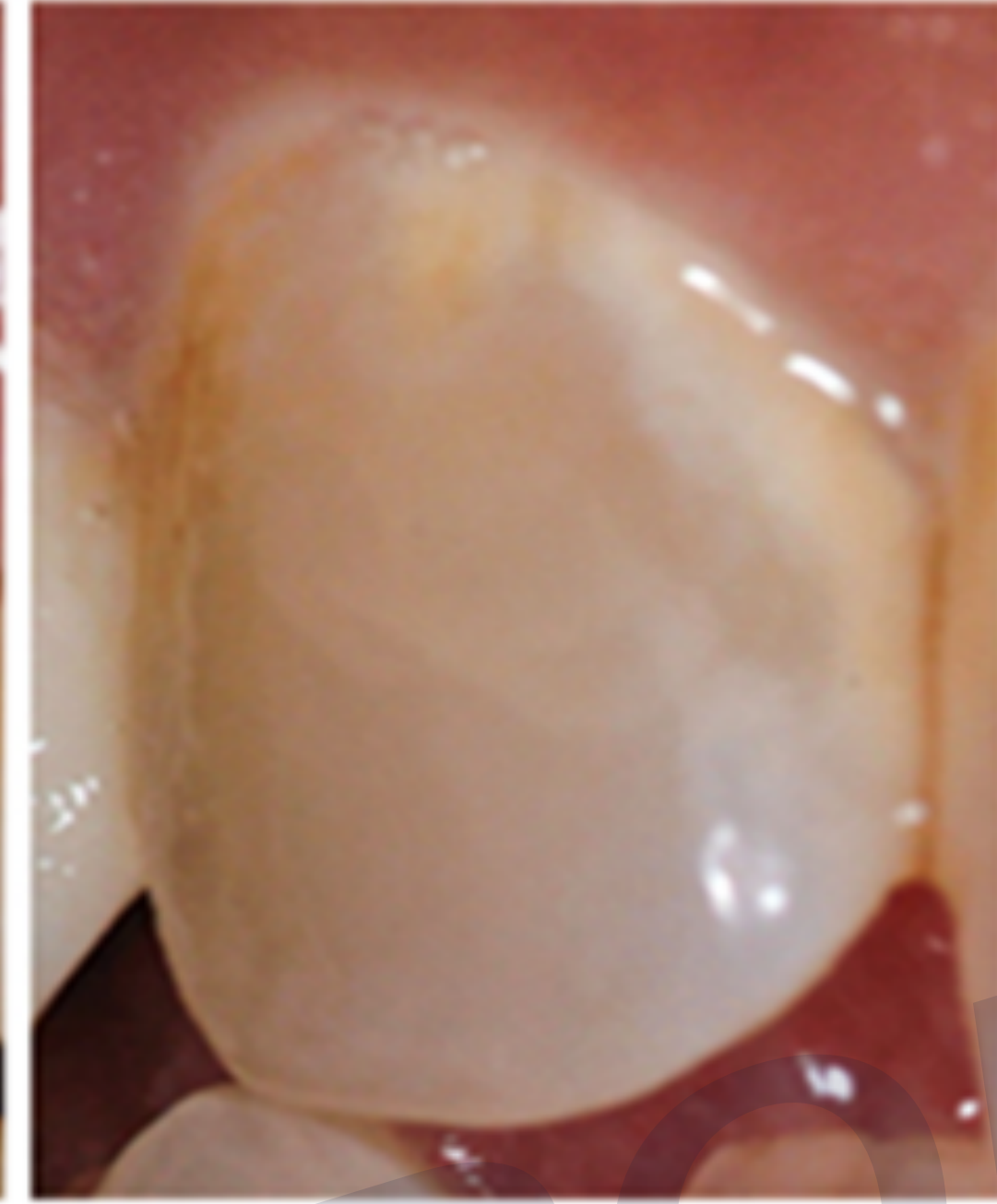
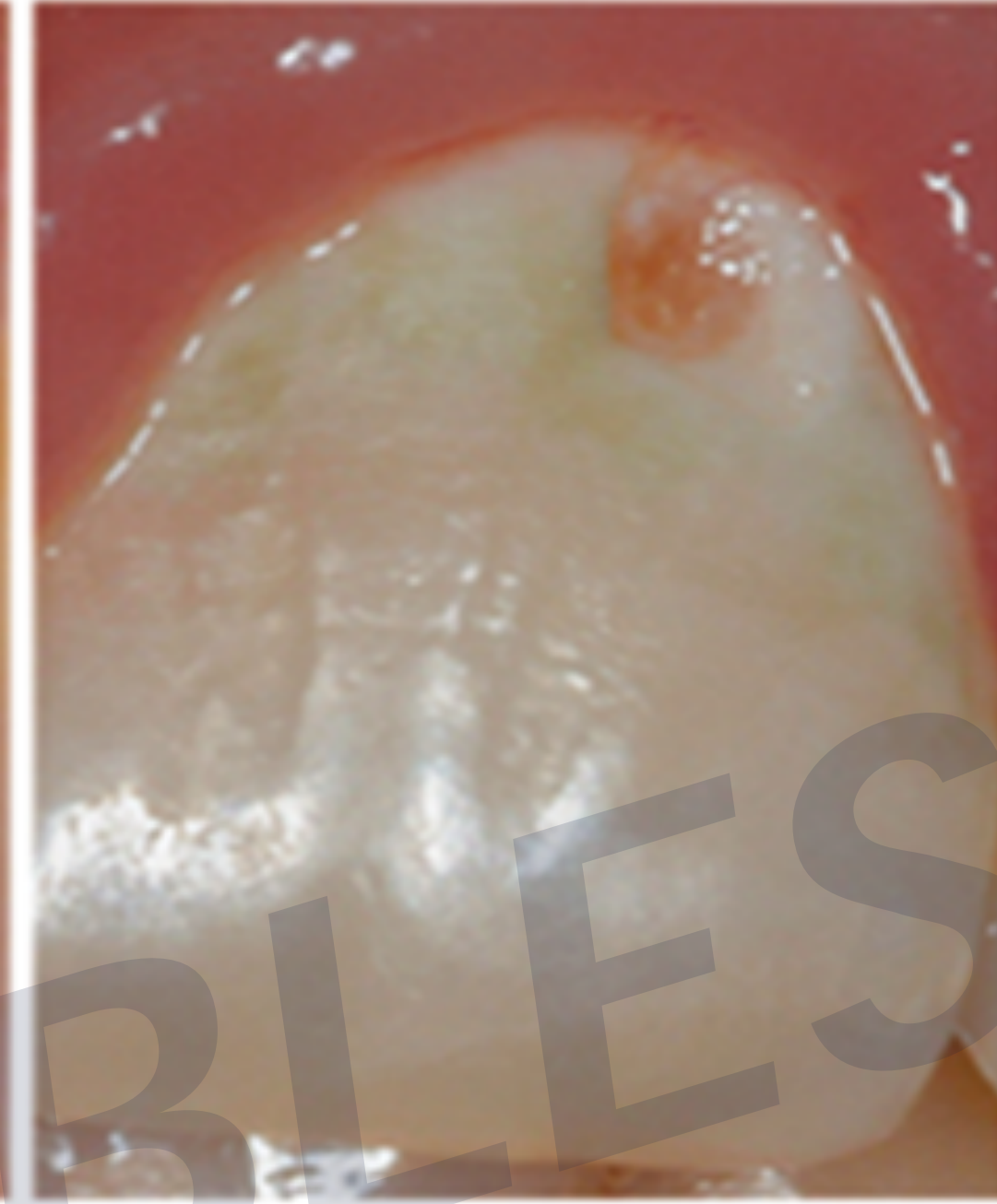
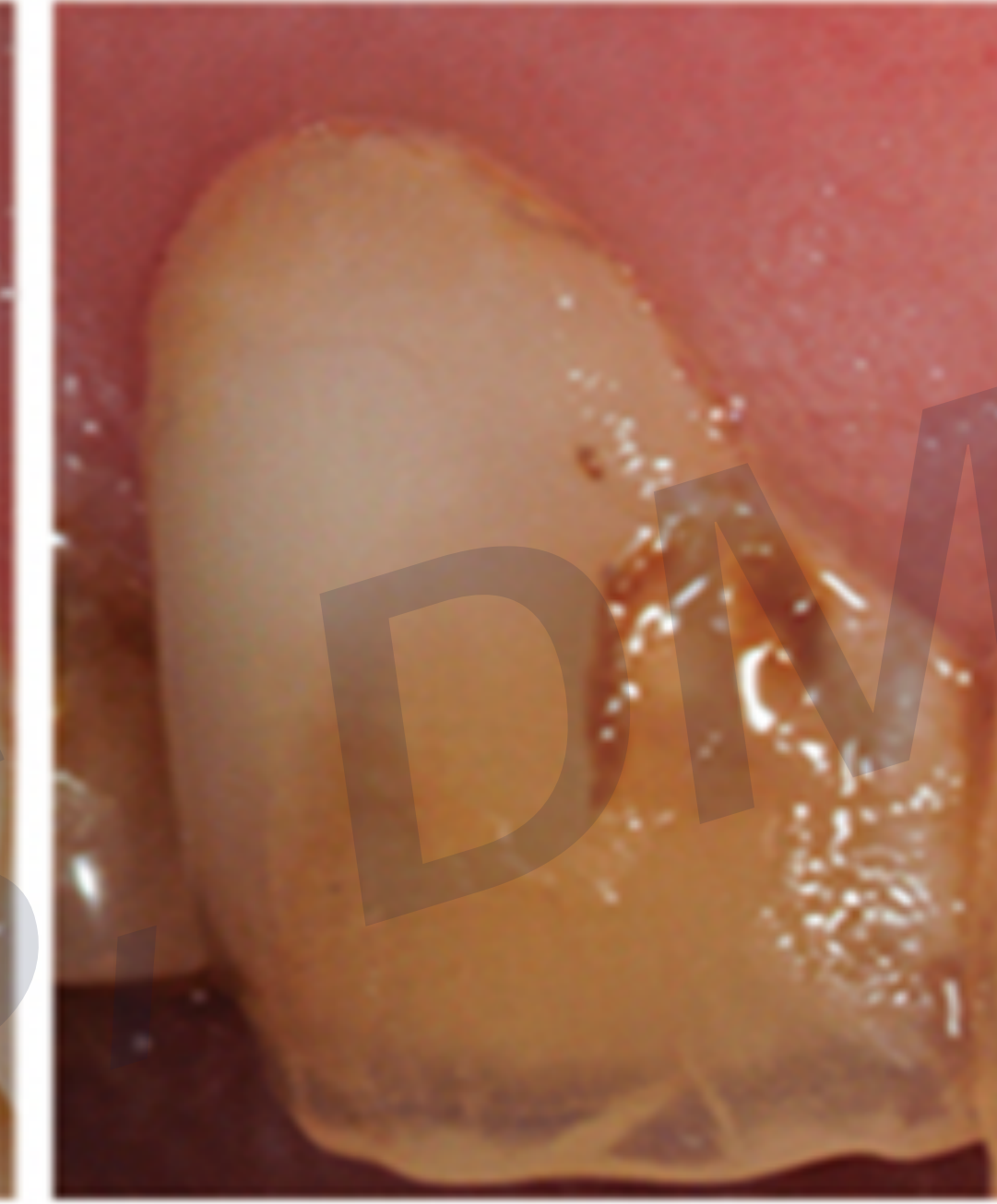
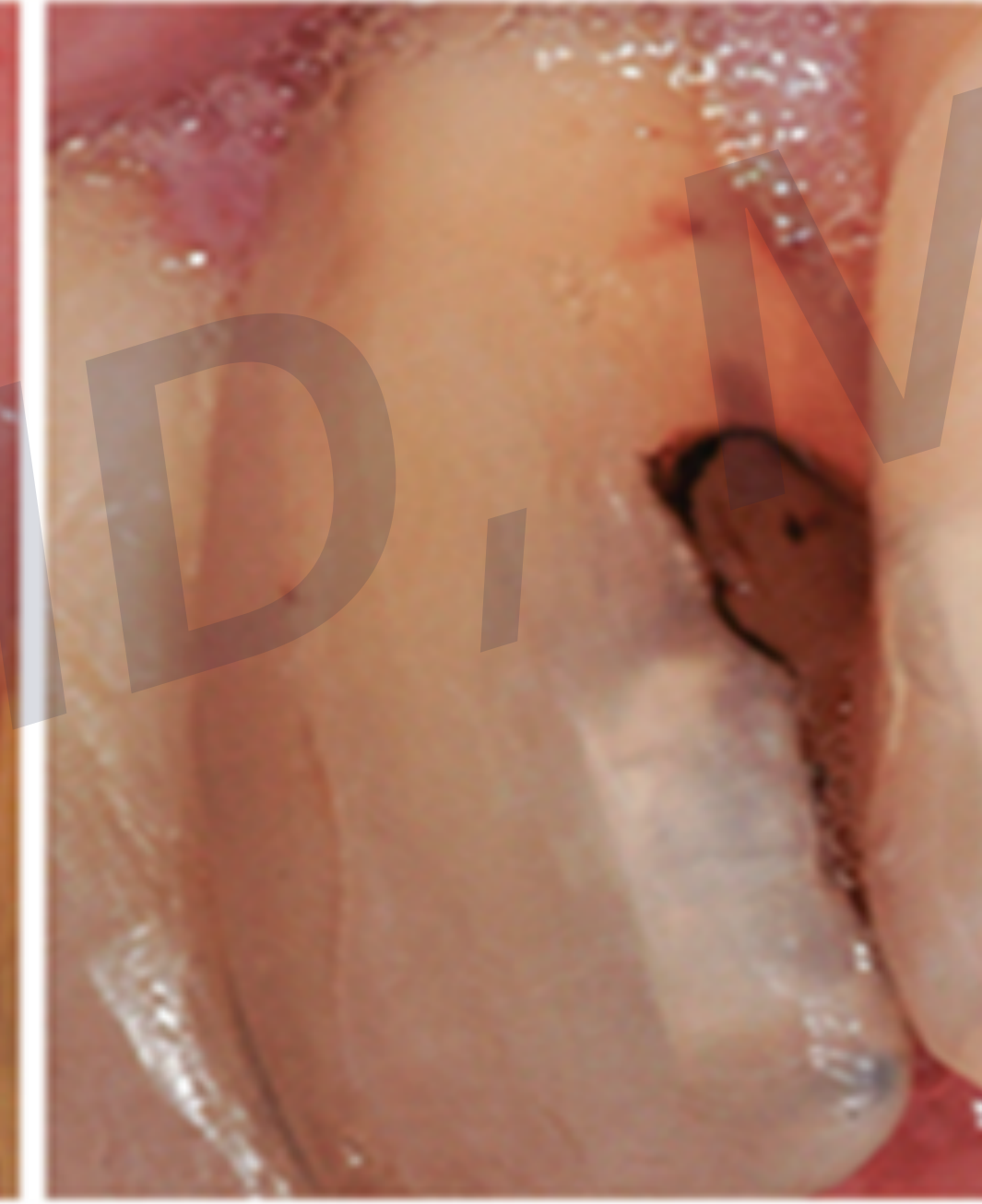
According **sodium metabisulfite (MBS)** is a well-known food additive, and some research listed it as a tooth-bleaching agent, even as an ingredient for caries prevention potentially can saturate double bonds breaking the aromaticity of the staining molecules, making them colorless
this study is a proof of concept and treatment optimization is necessary, results may lead to development of novel formulas in tooth whitening

MBS treatment reached the same ΔE values than CP but in a shorter time





Resin Infiltration

Sound	Early Lesions		Moderate Lesions		Extensive	
						
Sound tooth surface; no caries change after air drying (5 secs); no hypoplasia, wear, erosion, or other noncaries phenomena	First visual change in enamel, seen only after air drying, or color change "thin" and limited to confines of pit-and-fissure areas	Distinct visual change in enamel, seen when wet, white, or colored, "wider" than the fissure/fossa	Localized enamel breakdown, with no visible dentin or underlying shadow, discontinuity of surface enamel, widening of fissure	Underlying dark shadow from dentin with or without localized enamel breakdown	Distinct cavity with visible dentin; frank cavitation involving less than half of tooth surface	Extensive distinct cavity with dentin; cavity is deep and wide, involving more than half of the tooth



H Meyer-Lueckel



S Paris

In 2009, after years of research, a commercial product was finally launched: **ICON** Interproximal (**DMG**mbH)



UNPREDICTABLE

The evaluation of resin infiltration for masking labial enamel white spot lesions

SHIN KIM¹, EUN-YOUNG KIM¹, TAE-SUNG JEONG¹ & JUNG-WOOK KIM²

¹Department of Pediatric Dentistry, School of Dentistry, Pusan National University, Yangsan, Korea, and ²Department of Pediatric Dentistry, School of Dentistry, Seoul National University, Seoul, Korea

International Journal of Paediatric Dentistry 2011, 21: 241–248

Objective. The aim of this study was to clinically assess the effectiveness of masking white spot enamel lesions using a resin infiltration technique that was recently developed to arrest incipient caries in a micro-invasive concept.

Methods. Twenty teeth with a Developmental Defect of Enamel (DDE) and 18 teeth with Post-orthodontic Decalcification (POD) were selected and treated with resin infiltration. Standardized photographs were taken before, immediately after, and 1 week after treatment and were analysed using image analysing software to calculate the

ΔE values. The results were classified into three groups: completely masked, partially masked, and unchanged.

Results. Among the 20 teeth with DDE, five teeth (25%) were classified as completely masked, whereas seven (35%) and eight teeth (40%) were partially masked and unchanged, respectively. Among the 18 teeth with POD, 11 teeth (61%) were completely masked, six teeth (33%) were partially masked, and one tooth (6%) was unchanged. In some teeth, the result was more improved after 1 week than immediately after infiltration.

Conclusion. The masking effect was dramatic in some cases but not in others. The long-term colour stability of the result should be followed up through continuous clinical and scientific studies.

Introduction

It is not difficult to observe white spot lesions because of dental caries. Developmental Defect of Enamel (DDE), or post-orthodontic decalcification (POD) in the dental clinics of children and adolescents. The prevalence of molar incisor hypomineralization (MIH) to describe a more specific pattern of DDE ranges from 3.6 to 25%¹ and that of POD varies from 2 to 96% depending on the methods used to assess and score the extent of decalcification, the presence of decalcification before treatment, and the use of fluoride supplements during treatment².

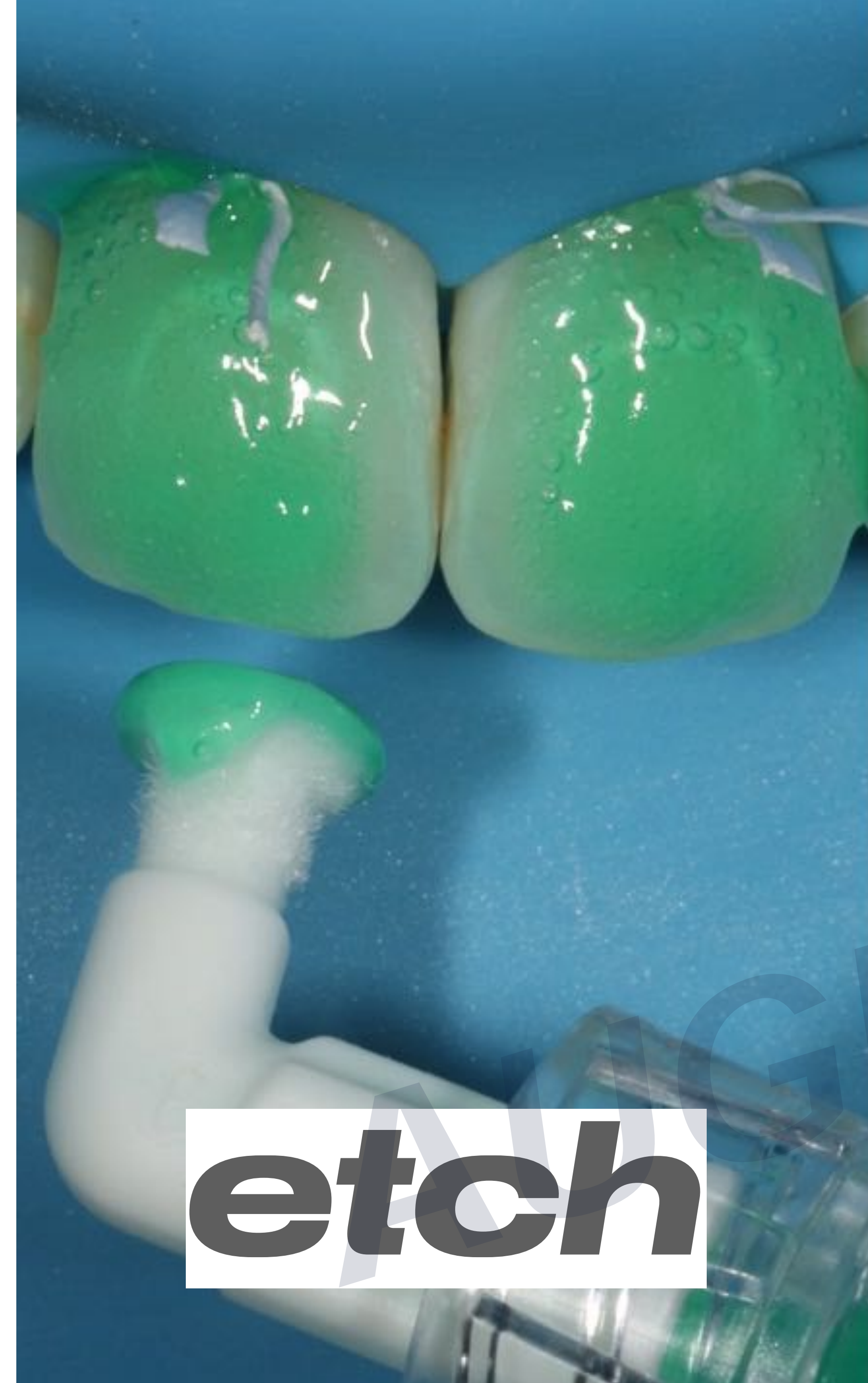
These lesions may present aesthetic problems as well as the progression of demineralization³. Although white spot lesions after orthodontic treatment with fixed appliances

might be remineralized partially after debonding, white enamel lesions are often irreversible^{4–6}. These lesions may present aesthetic problems even more than 5 years after treatment⁷.

Up to now, there are four methods available for treating white spot lesions. First, several studies have shown that white spot lesions may regress as a result of the remineralization by fluorides or casein phosphopeptide-amorphous calcium phosphate (CPP-ACP)^{5,8}. Remineralization techniques are to some degree effective, but their aesthetic effect is limited because remineralization often is limited to the lesion surface^{9,10}. Moreover, it takes considerable time and needs to be implemented at the very early stages of the lesion development. Furthermore, it strongly relies on the patient's compliance¹⁰. Second, the bleaching therapy with hydrogen peroxide for masking white fluorosis blemishes has been reported^{11,12}, but its aesthetic effect is also limited, and side effects such as post-treatment sensitivity are commonly encountered. The microhardness of

Correspondence to:

Dr S. Kim, Department of Pediatric Dentistry, School of Dentistry, Pusan National University, Beomeo-Ri, Mulgeum-Eup, Yangsan-Si, Gyeongsangnamdo, 626-770 Korea. E-mail: shinkim@pusan.ac.kr



etch



dry



infiltrate



ACCESSIONS?





Clearly defined edges



Blurry edges



Predictor of success:

***ICON Dry makes discoloration
completely disappear***



Decision making Flowchart



Time

Location/ aspect

Diagnosis



When did you notice it first?

after eruption

since eruption

Areas where plaque accumulates, defined edges

Symmetric specs, lines or clouds, edges defined or blurry

Single, 'punctiform', mostly blurry edges

Asymmetric, MOLAR involved, mostly blurry edges

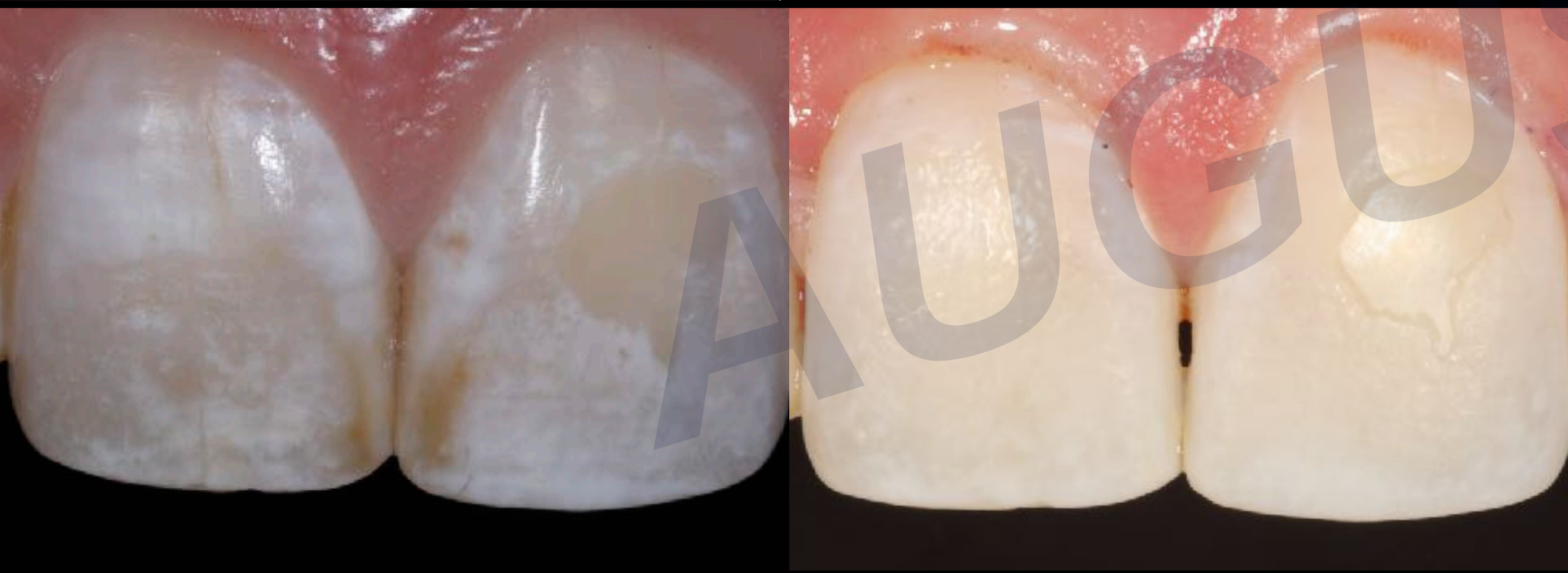
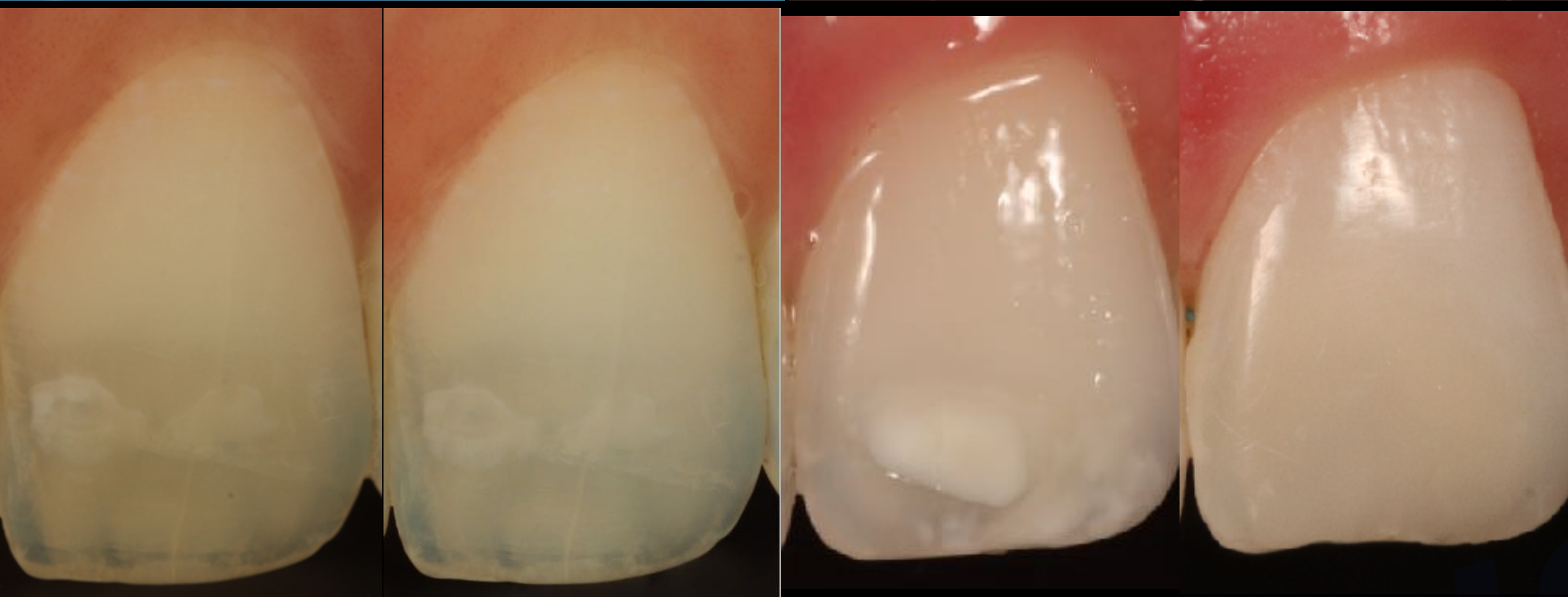
Caries/WSL

Dysmineralization

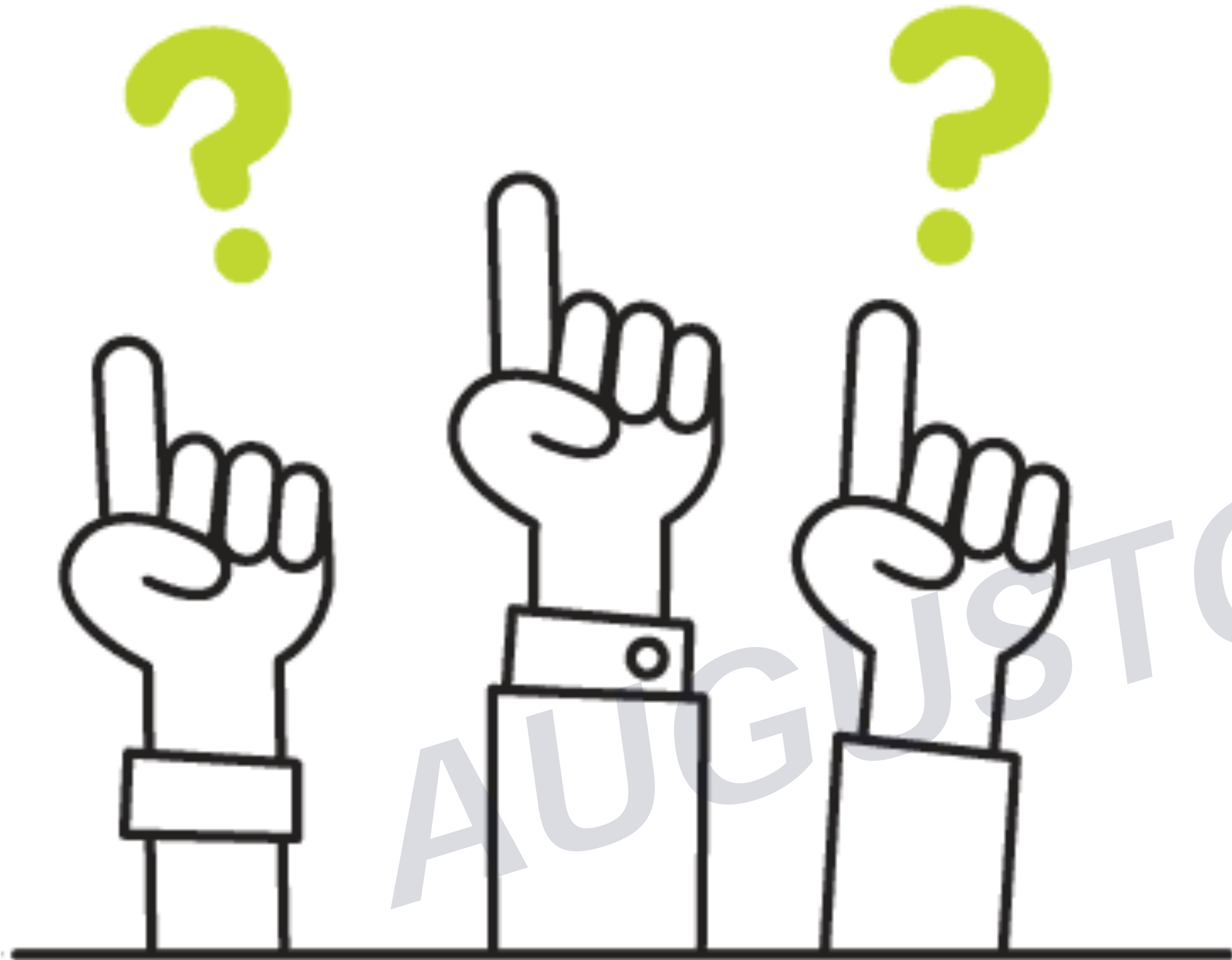
Trauma

MIH





Cases



COMMON QUESTIONS ?



How long will it last?

Long-term follow-up of camouflage effects following resin infiltration of post orthodontic white-spot lesions in vivo

Michael Knösel^a; Amely Eckstein^b; Hans-Joachim Helms^c

ABSTRACT

Objectives: To reassess the long-term camouflage effects of resin infiltration (Icon, DMG, Hamburg, Germany) of white spot lesions (WSL) and sound adjacent enamel (SAE) achieved in a previous trial. The null hypothesis was tested that there were no significantly different CIE-L*a*b*-ΔE-values between WSL and SAE areas of assessment after at least 24 months (T24) compared to those at baseline (T0).

Materials and Methods: Of twenty subjects who received previous resin infiltration treatment of $n_{teeth} = 111$ nonrestored, noncavitated postorthodontic WSL after multibracket treatment during a randomized controlled trial and were contacted 20 months after baseline, eight subjects (trial teeth $n_{teeth} = 40$; m/f ratio 1/7; age range (mean; SD) 12–17 [15.25; 2.12] years); response rate: 40%) were available for follow-up after at least 24 months (T24). CIE-L*a*b* differences between summarized color and lightness values ($\Delta E_{WSL/SAE}$) of WSL and SAE were assessed using a spectrophotometer and compared to baseline data assessed prior to infiltration (T0), and those after 6 (T6), and 12 (T12) months using paired *t* tests at a significance level of $\alpha = 5\%$.

Results: T24 assessments were performed after a mean 33.86 (SD: 8.64; Min: 24; Max: 45) months following T0. Mean (SD) $\Delta E_{WSL/SAE}$ units of available teeth were 8.76 (5.33) at baseline; 5.5 (2.75) at T6; 5.2 (2.41) at T12, and 5.57 (2.6) at T24. Comparisons of T6, T12, and T24 with T0 yielded highly significant differences, whereas T6–T24 and T12–T24 differences were found to be not significant.

Conclusions: Assimilation of infiltrated WSL to the color of adjacent enamel by resin infiltration is considered to be suitable for the long-term improvement in the esthetic appearance of postorthodontic WSL. (Angle Orthod. 2019;89:33–39.)

KEY WORDS: White spot lesion; Resin infiltration; Durability of camouflage effect; CIE-L*a*b; in vivo

INTRODUCTION

The incidence of labial enamel decalcification or white spot lesions (WSL) during treatment with fixed

orthodontic appliances has been reported to vary between 46% and 73%.^{1,2} Although cavitated lesions require invasive therapy, the choice of WSL treatment is based on the patient's individual esthetic demands. Remineralization by local fluoride application may arrest lesion progression³ and, in combination with tooth brushing abrasion, bring about some improvement in the appearance of WSL within the first few months following debonding,^{4–6} however, rarely to an extent that provides for an esthetically acceptable dentofacial appearance.^{7–9} In contrast, the technique of resin infiltration (Icon, DMG) of postorthodontic enamel decalcifications yields esthetically more satisfying results. A recent split-mouth randomized controlled trial (RCT) revealed that there was a significant and clinically relevant abatement of color- and lightness differences between infiltrated WSL and sound adjacent enamel, whereas there were no significant

^a Senior Lecturer, Department of Orthodontics, University Medical Center Göttingen (UMG), Göttingen, Germany; and Universidad de La Frontera (UFRO), Temuco, Chile; and private practice, Hamburg, Germany.

^b Research Assistant, Department of Statistics, University Medical Center Göttingen (UMG), Göttingen, Germany.

^c Research Fellow, Department of Orthodontics, University Medical Center Göttingen (UMG), Göttingen, Germany.

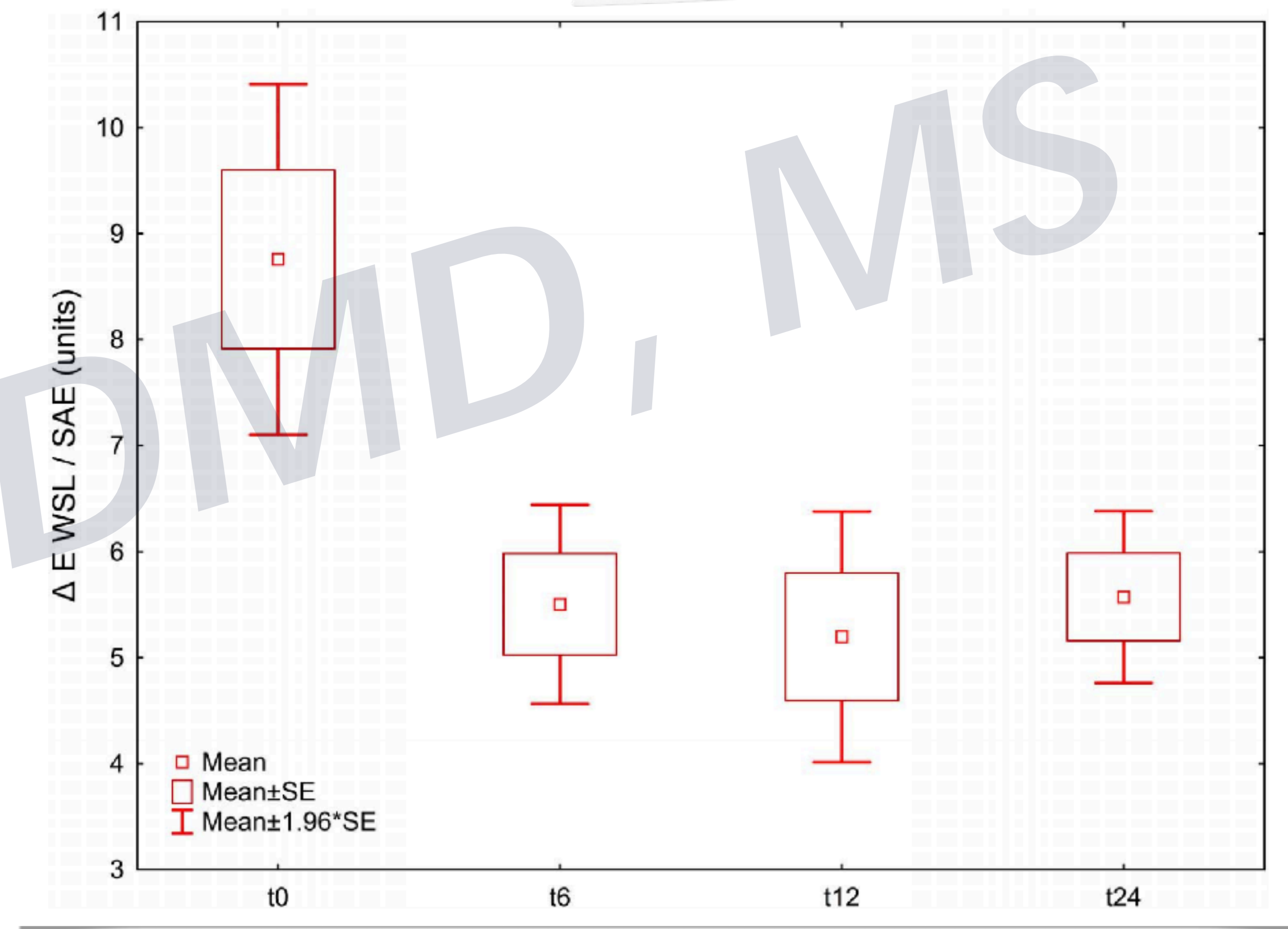
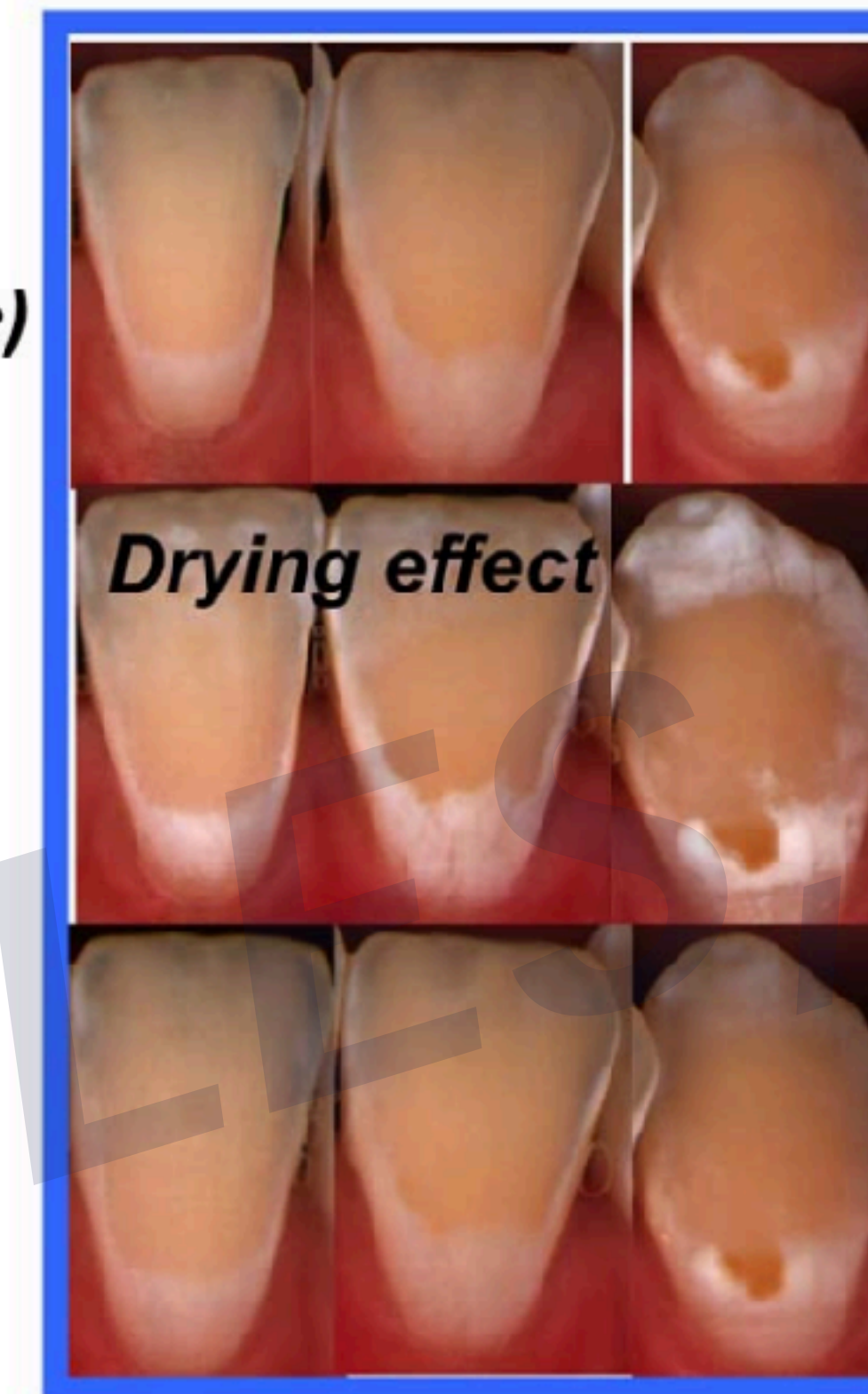
Corresponding author: Prof Dr Michael Knösel, Department of Orthodontics, University Medical Centre Göttingen (UMG), 37099 Göttingen, Germany (e-mail: mknocesel@yahoo.de)

Accepted: September 2018. Submitted: May 2018.
Published Online: October 16, 2018
© 2019 by The EH Angle Education and Research Foundation, Inc.

Infiltration



Control



Color change between treated tooth and control tooth is unchanged after 2 years

> [Am J Dent](#). 2007 Apr;20(2):67-72.

Considerations about enamel microabrasion after 18 years

Renato Herman Sundfeld ¹, Theodore P Croll, André Luiz Fraga Briso, Rodrigo Sversut de Alexandre, Daniel Sundfeld Neto

Affiliations + expand

PMID: 17542197

Abstract

Purpose: To review of the current status of enamel microabrasion method and its results 18 years after the development and application of this method.

Methods: A technique performing enamel microabrasion with hydrochloric acid mixed with pumice and other techniques employing a commercially available compound of hydrochloric acid and fine-grit silicon carbide particles in a water-soluble paste have been described. Much has been learned about the application of this esthetic technique, long-term treatment results and microscopic changes to the enamel surface that has significant clinical implications. The latest treatment protocol is presented and photographic case histories document the treatment results. Clinical observations made over 18 years are discussed.

Results: According to our findings, the dental enamel microabrasion technique is a highly satisfactory, safe and effective procedure.



Will ICON stain?

Evaluation of staining and color changes of a resin infiltration system

Andrew Leland; Sercan Akyalcin; Jeryl D. English; Eser Tufekci; Rade Paravina

Angle Orthod (2016) 86 (6): 900–904.

https://doi.org/10.2319/111615-777.1

Split-Screen

Views

PDF

Share

Tools

ABSTRACT

Objective:

To analyze the staining and color changes of a resin infiltrant system used for management of white spot lesions (WSLs).

Materials and Methods:

WSLs were artificially created on left buccal halves of 48 extracted human teeth. These sites were then treated with resin infiltration (RI) while the right halves of the teeth remained as nonresin (NRI) areas. Six groups were formed (n = 8 teeth/group) and were exposed to the following: red wine, coffee, orange juice, combined staining agents, accelerated aging, and distilled water for 1 week. The teeth were then polished with a prophy cup and polishing paste. Color properties were assessed using a spectrophotometer at baseline (T0), after each exposure (T1), and after polishing (T2). Color difference (ΔE^*) was calculated between each time point for both halves of the teeth (RI and NRI). Data were analyzed with a two-way analysis of variance with presence of resin infiltration and staining agents as the main effects for each time point pair. Multiple comparisons were made with a Bonferroni post hoc test. The level of significance was set at $P < .05$.

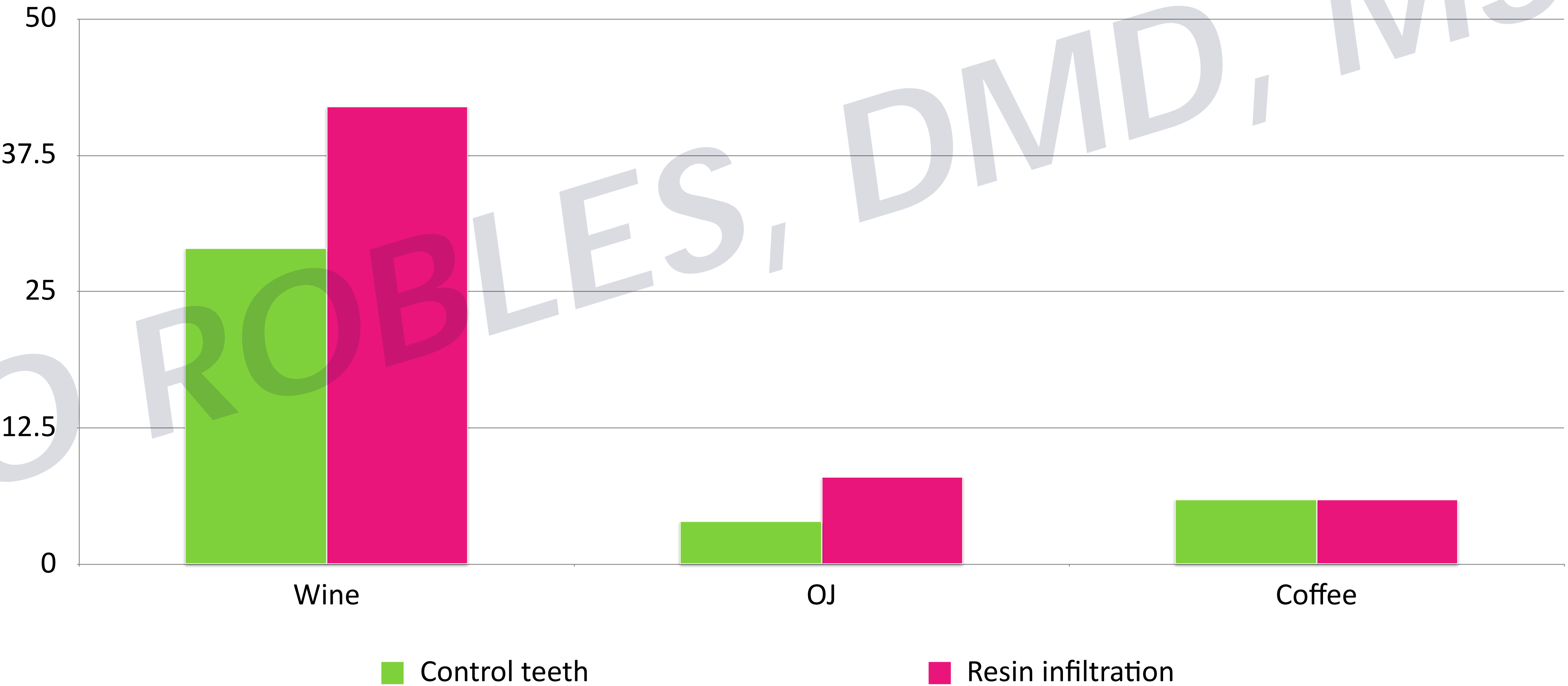
Results:

The red wine and combined staining agent groups caused the greatest color change between all intervals ($P < .05$). Significant interactions were recorded between resin infiltration application and staining agents at all time periods ($P < .05$). The presence of resin infiltration as a main effect did not affect color change between T0 and T2 ($P > .05$).

Conclusions:

RI areas showed higher staining susceptibility than did NRI areas. However, prophylaxis had a strong effect on reversing the discoloration of both RI and NRI areas.

Lightness (L)



Evaluation of staining and color changes of a resin infiltration system

Andrew Leland; Sercan Akyalcin; Jeryl D. English; Eser Tufekci; Rade Paravina

Angle Orthod (2016) 86 (6): 900–904.

https://doi.org/10.2319/111615-777.1

Split-Screen

Views

PDF

Share

Tools

ABSTRACT

Objective:

To analyze the staining and color changes of a resin infiltrant system used for management of white spot lesions (WSLs).

Materials and Methods:

WSLs were artificially created on left buccal halves of 48 extracted human teeth. These sites were then treated with resin infiltration (RI) while the right halves of the teeth remained as nonresin (NRI) areas. Six groups were formed (n = 8 teeth/group) and were exposed to the following: red wine, coffee, orange juice, combined staining agents, accelerated aging, and distilled water for 1 week. The teeth were then polished with a prophy cup and polishing paste. Color properties were assessed using a spectrophotometer at baseline (T0), after each exposure (T1), and after polishing (T2). Color difference (ΔE^*) was calculated between each time point for both halves of the teeth (RI and NRI). Data were analyzed with a two-way analysis of variance with presence of resin infiltration and staining agents as the main effects for each time point pair. Multiple comparisons were made with a Bonferroni post hoc test. The level of significance was set at $P < .05$.

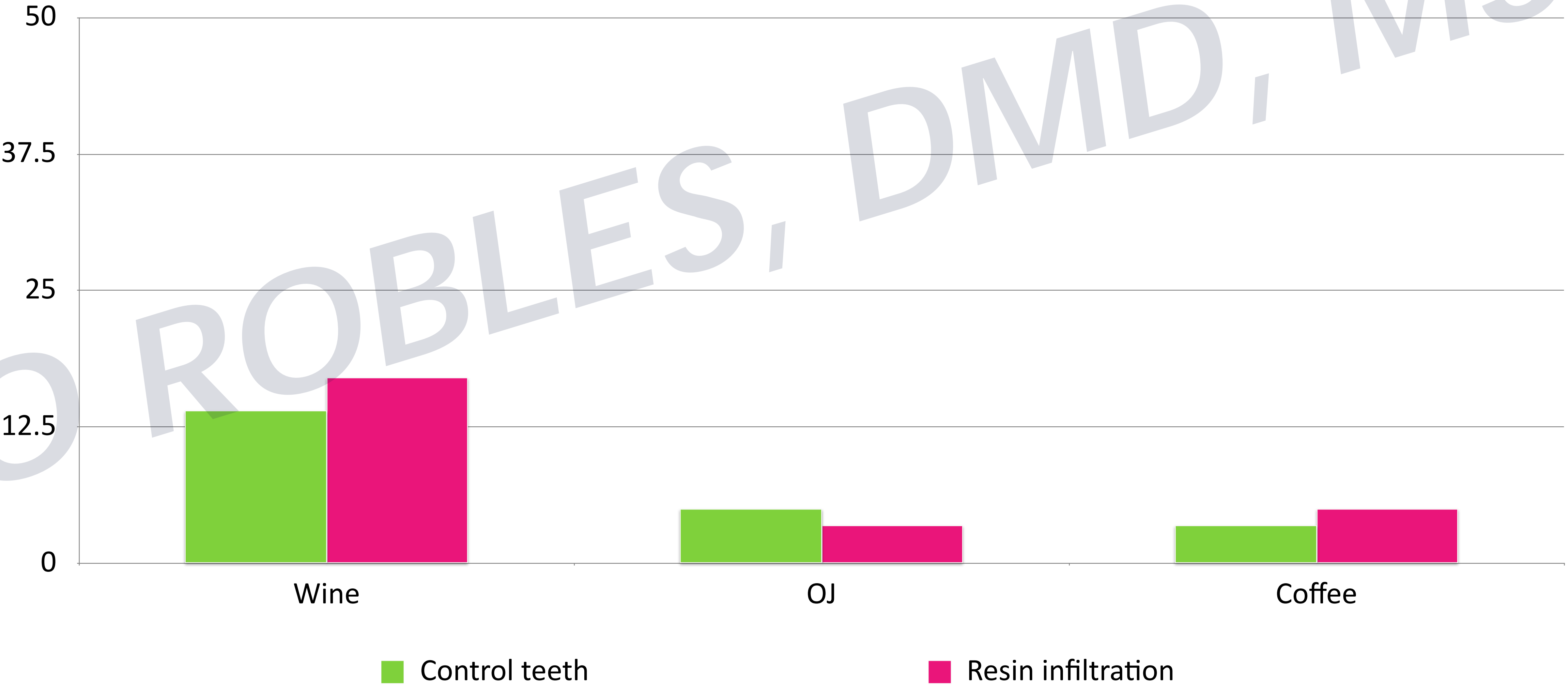
Results:

The red wine and combined staining agent groups caused the greatest color change between all intervals ($P < .05$). Significant interactions were recorded between resin infiltration application and staining agents at all time periods ($P < .05$). The presence of resin infiltration as a main effect did not affect color change between T0 and T2 ($P > .05$).

Conclusions:

RI areas showed higher staining susceptibility than did NRI areas. However, prophylaxis had a strong effect on reversing the discoloration of both RI and NRI areas.

Lightness (L) after prophy



**What first,
Microabrasion,
Bleaching, or Infiltration?**

Investigation

Comparison of bleaching effects when applied to white-spot lesions before or after resin infiltration

An in vitro study

Al-Shaheen Youssef, DDS, MS; David A. Covell Jr., DDS, PhD; Steven Makowka, MS; Adam Gaily, DDS; Robert G. Dunford, MA; Thikriat Al-Jewair, BDS, MSc, MS, FRCD(C); Violet I. Haraszthy, DDS, MS, PhD

ABSTRACT

Background. The purpose of this study was to compare color alterations (ΔE) of white-spot lesions (WSLs) bleached before versus after resin infiltration (RI).

Methods. Using the facial surfaces of bovine maxillary incisors, WSLs were created and the teeth were allocated into 2 groups ($n = 45/\text{group}$): bleach then RI (B-RI group) and RI then bleach (RI-B group). To determine ΔE , Commission Internationale de l'Eclairage $L^* a^* b^*$ (L^* represents lightness, ranging from black to white [0-100]; a^* represents green to red chromaticity [-150-+100]; and b^* represents blue to yellow chromaticity [-100-+150]) measurements were obtained at baseline, after WSL formation, and after RI and bleaching. Representative specimens were evaluated by means of scanning electron microscopy. Statistical analyses included the Mann-Whitney U and Wilcoxon signed rank tests ($P \leq .0016$) and repeated measures analysis of variance ($P \leq .05$).

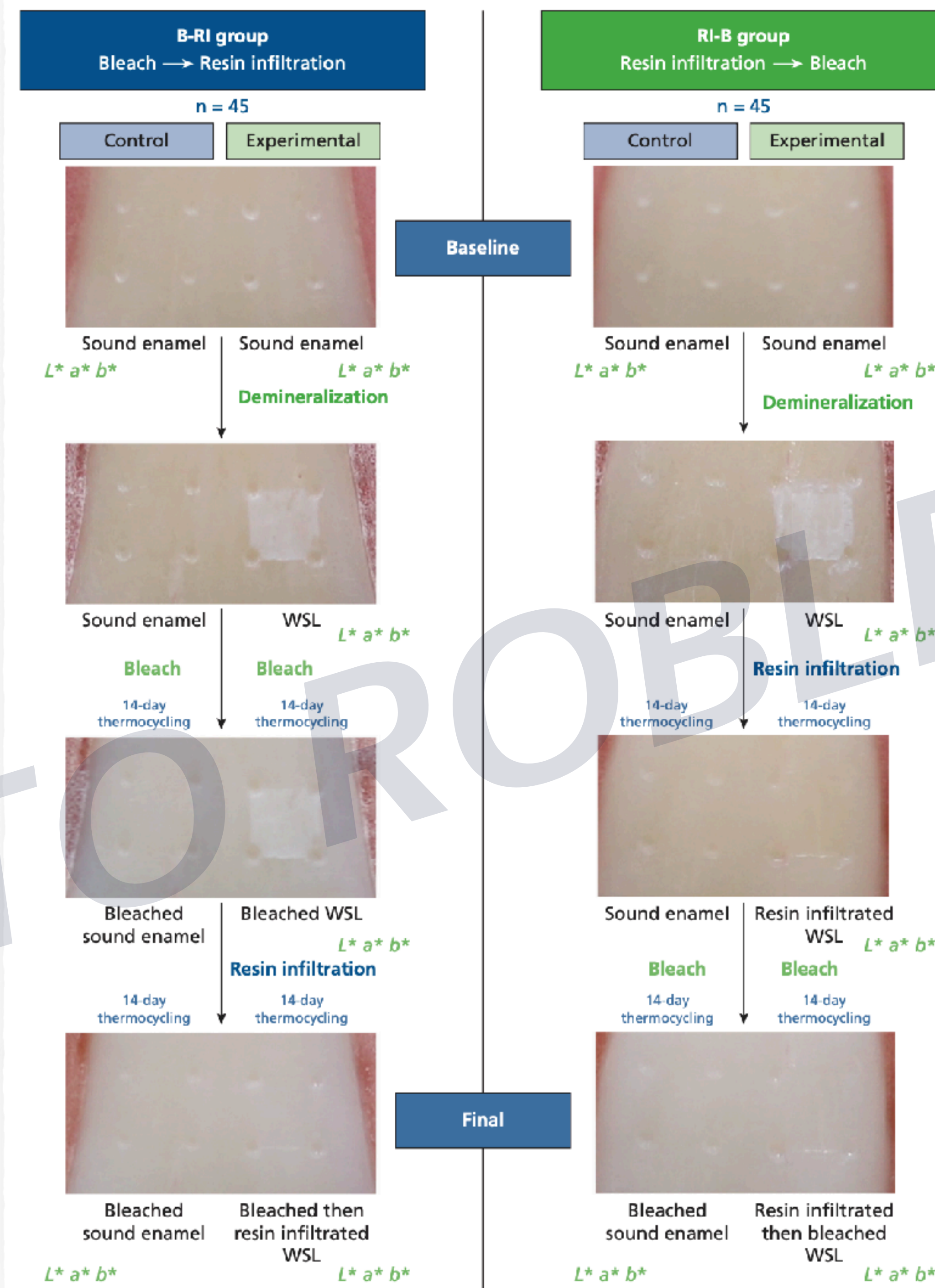
Results. No differences in ΔE were found comparing B-RI with RI-B groups or when the B-RI group was compared with bleached enamel. A statistically significant difference was found when the RI-B group was compared with bleached enamel (ΔE , 0.81; $P < .001$), but the difference was deemed not clinically significant. Scanning electron microscopy revealed that bleaching after RI increased surface roughness of the resin.

Conclusions. There were no clinically significant differences in ΔE of WSLs when bleach was applied before or after RI; however, applying bleaching agent after RI roughened the surface of the resin material.

Practical Implications. Results indicate that ΔE were not clinically significantly different between WSLs bleached before versus after RI, although it is best to sequence bleaching before RI therapy, as bleaching after RI roughened the restoration's surface.

Key Words. White-spot lesions; demineralization; resin infiltration; tooth bleaching.

JADA 2022;153(1):39-49
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.adaj.2021.07.017>



There was no difference in color change if teeth bleached (60 min with 40% hydrogen peroxide) before or after infiltration

When applicable:

Microabrasion, then Whitening, finish with Infiltration

**Can you do several
rounds of ICON?**

NO

Since the resin blocks access to deeper areas, if they were not infiltrated correctly the first time, it is not possible to redo

Have to be sure when to infiltrate!!!

**How much does it
cost?**

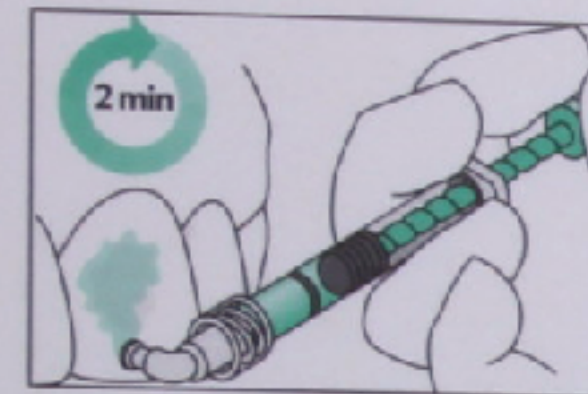


Ultradent

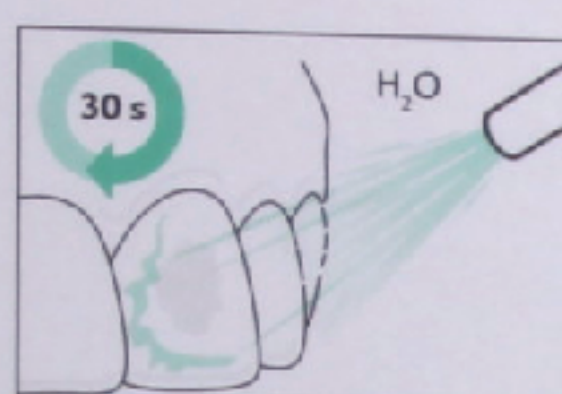
~\$130

Kits of 2 or 4 syringes
20 cups

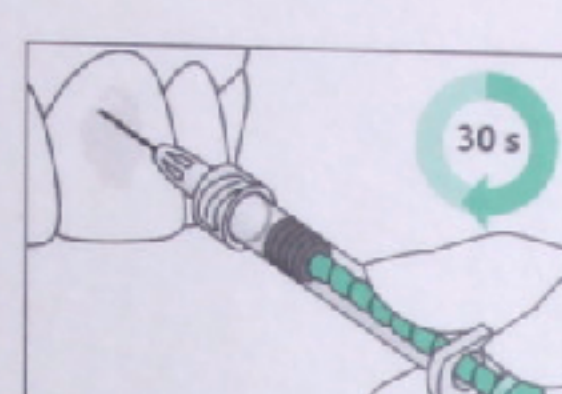
Quick guide for the application of Icon®



1. Clean tooth. Apply rubber dam.



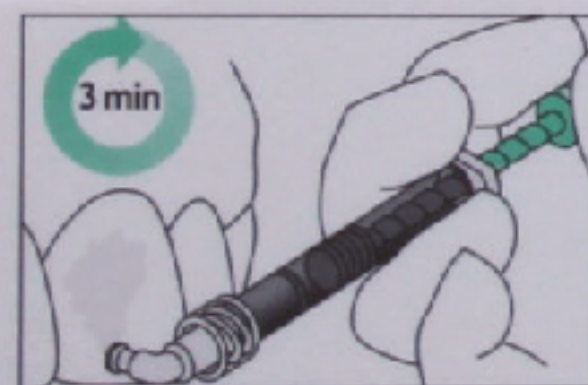
2. Apply Icon-Etch. Let sit for 2 min.



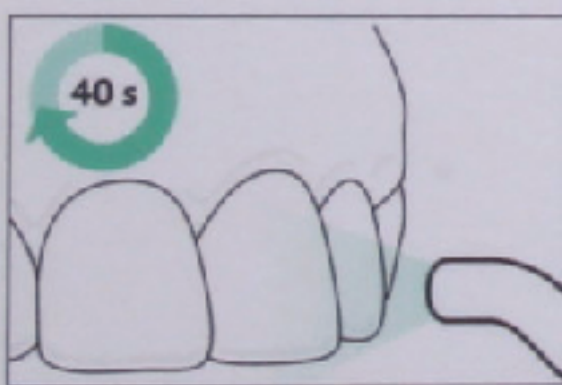
3. Rinse off with water for 30 s. Dry with oil- and water-free air.

4. Apply Icon-Dry. Let sit for 30 s and thereby carry out visual inspection*. Dry with oil- and water-free air.

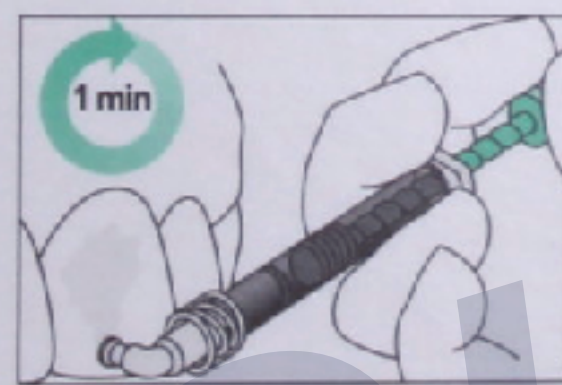
* Unless white spots are being treated shortly (1–2 months) after bracket removal, it is recommended that the etching process is performed two times. If a white spot has not diminished significantly after the Icon-Dry has been applied, then a third etching process is recommended.



5. Switch off operator light. Apply Icon-Infiltrant. Let sit for 3 mins. Maintain wet lesion surface with occasional twist of syringe.



6. Disperse with air, and floss. Light-cure for 40 s.



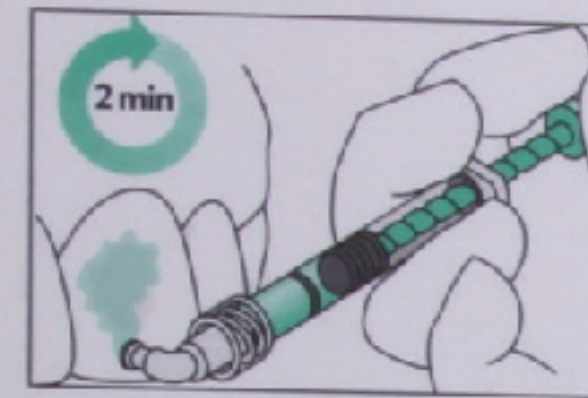
7. Replace applicator tip. Apply Icon-Infiltrant. Let sit for 1 min.

8. Remove excess and floss. Light-cure for 40 s. Polish.

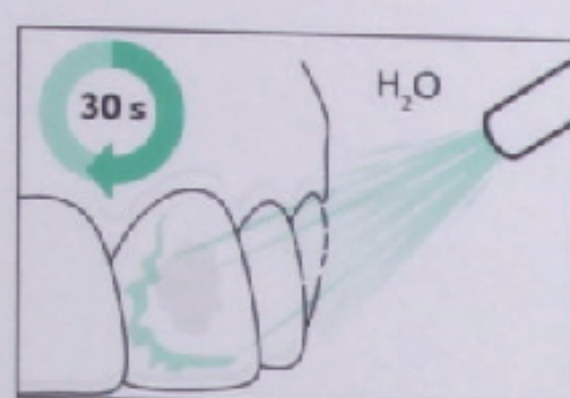


\$170
1 minikit
About 6 teeth

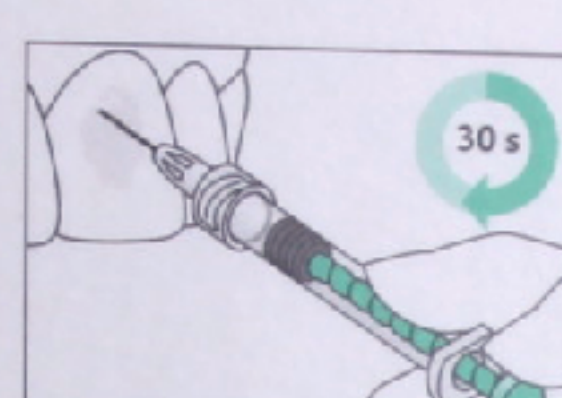
Quick guide for the application of Icon®



1. Clean tooth. Apply rubber dam.



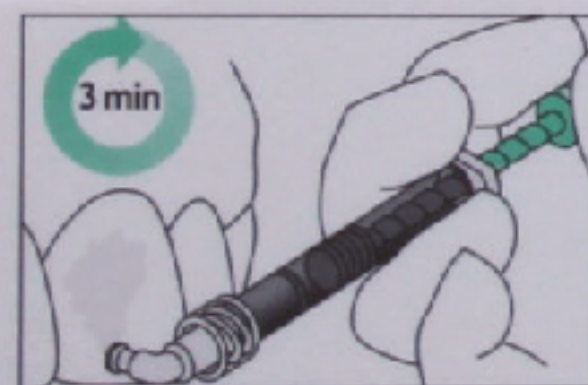
3. Rinse off with water for 30 s. Dry with oil- and water-free air.



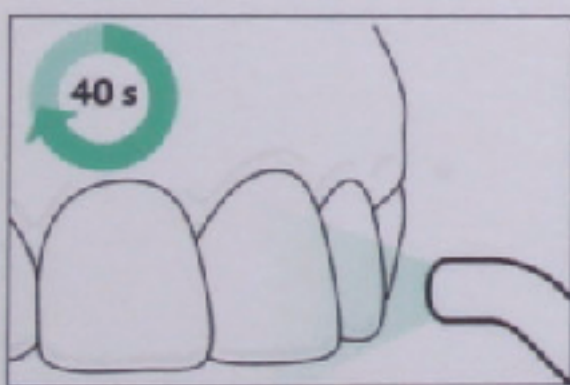
4. Apply Icon-Dry. Let sit for 30 s and thereby carry out visual inspection*. Dry with oil- and water-free air.

2. Apply Icon-Etch. Let sit for 2 min.

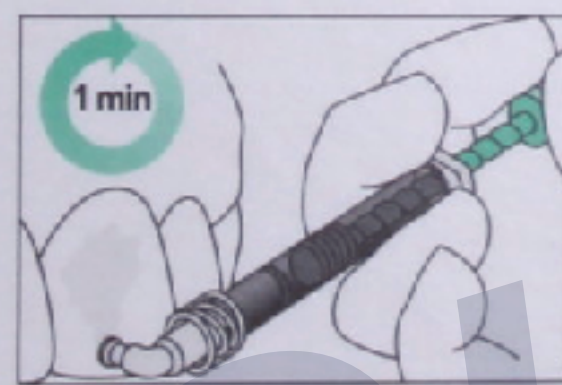
* Unless white spots are being treated shortly (1–2 months) after bracket removal, it is recommended that the etching process is performed two times. If a white spot has not diminished significantly after the Icon-Dry has been applied, then a third etching process is recommended.



5. Switch off operator light. Apply Icon-Infiltrant. Let sit for 3 mins. Maintain wet lesion surface with occasional twist of syringe.

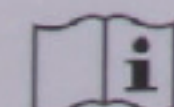


6. Disperse with air, and floss. Light-cure for 40 s.



7. Replace applicator tip. Apply Icon-Infiltrant. Let sit for 1 min.

8. Remove excess and floss. Light-cure for 40 s. Polish.

 Consult instructions for use.



ICON Cube: 7 patients

\$170

1 minikit

About 6 teeth



~\$120

1 etch refill kit
3 syringes
15 tips



Thank you for your kind attention

AUGUSTO RUBLES, DMD, MS



arobles@uab.edu



drroblesdmdms

Augusto **ROBLES**, DMD, MS