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A Regenerative techniques for soft tissue enhancement around implants

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Synopsis: Tooth replacement by means of dental implants is considered to be a predictable procedure in modern dentistry. It is through the process of osseointegration that the stability of the implant is secured. The maintenance of stability and function of the load carrying implant however, is dependent on a well-functioning barrier mechanism established at the transmucosal passage of the implant. The anatomic differences between the periodontal and the peri-implant tissues contribute to render more difficult the interpretation of the clinical outcomes. The factors to be considered in this regard are (i) establishment and maintenance of biological health; (ii) prevention of recession; (iii) aesthetics; and (iv) cleansibility of the reconstruction.

Objectives: This presentation will demonstrate the importance of the soft tissue complex around dental implants, as well as the different surgical techniques and time frames regarding the enhancement of the soft tissue barrier at the implant sites.