

MARGINAL FIT ANALYSIS OF PREMACHINED AND CASTABLE UCLA ABUTMENTS

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ABSTRACT

This study evaluated the fit between implants and premachined and castable UCLA abutments. All plastic specimens were cast using the conventional technique in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Five specimens of each experimental group were measured for vertical and horizontal gaps by scanning electronic microscopy (Phillips XL 30 model, Holland). Gold UCLA (vertical gap: 2.15 μm , hori-

zontal gap: 11.30 μm) and castable rotational UCLA (vertical gap: 14.91 μm , horizontal gap: 59.41 μm) groups showed the lowest and highest mean values, respectively (Neodent, Curitiba, Parana, Brazil). In general, the castable UCLA abutments showed poorer marginal fit than the premachined abutments.

Key words: dental implants, abutments, marginal fit.

ANÁLISE DA ADAPTAÇÃO MARGINAL DE PILARES UCLA FUNDIDOS E USINADOS

RESUMEN

Este estudio evaluó la adaptación entre implantes pilares UCLA usinados y fundidos. Todos los cuerpos de prueba de plástico fueron fundidos usando técnica de fundición convencional de acuerdo con el fabricante. Cinco cuerpos de prueba fueron evaluados en relación a la desadaptación vertical y horizontal utilizando un Microscopio Eletrónico de Varredura. Los grupos UCLA Oro (desadaptación

vertical: 2.15 μm , horizontal: 11.30 μm) e UCLA rotacional fundido (desadaptación vertical: 14.91 μm , horizontal: 59.41 μm) mostraron las medias más bajas y más altas, respectivamente. De una manera general, los pilares UCLA fundidos mostraron adaptación menor que los pilares UCLA usinados.

Palabras-chave: implantes dentarios, pilares, adaptación marginal.