

Esthetics

Esthetic Factors

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The Science of Color

Hue

Value

Chroma

Hue - name of the color

Chroma - intensity/strength of the hue

Value - lightness or darkness of the hue

Which is the most important in determining or matching esthetics?

Form #1, followed by Surface Texture, then Color

Science of Color

Color Wheel

Deceptive Color Perception

Metamerism - seemingly the same color but appears different under a different light source

Color blindness: defects in color vision affects men > women (9.8% vs. 0.1%)

Shade Selection Considerations:

Surface texture

Background:

lip stick

make-up

Reflective qualities:

translucency

opacity

craze lines

Metamerism

Light Source: 5500K

Recommendations for Shade Selection

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Esthetic Factors

Facial Analysis

Facial Proportions, Symmetry

Facial Proportions, Symmetry, and Teeth

Smile Contour

Facial Analysis

Anterior Incisal Plane

Posterior Occlusal Plane
Interpupillary Line
Smile Line
Cupid's Bow
Golden Proportion

Smile vs. inter-pupillary line

Midline vs. inter-pupillary line

Smile line vs. mid-line

Facial Thirds
Hairline
Glabella
Base of Nose
Chin

Facial Proportions:

Base of Nose, Max Incisal Edges, Chin

Lip length?

Males= 22-24 mm

Females= 20-22 mm

Consider a ceph

Mid-Line Symmetry:

Central incisors critical

Dental mid-line same as facial mid-line?

Dental mid-line vs. closest facial feature?

Facial Proportions,

Symmetry and Teeth

The Smile in Harmony with the Face

Facial Proportions,

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Incisal edges usually follow curvature of lower lip

Facial Proportions,

Symmetry and Teeth

Normal display:

Maxillary anterior and premolar teeth

Young patients display nearly all of their entire maxillary incisors and almost none of their mandibular incisors

Conversely,

Older patients display much less of their maxillary incisors

and show more of their mandibular incisors

Facial Proportions,

Symmetry and Teeth

Golden Proportion

Found throughout Nature

Human Body

Classic Architecture

Mona Lisa

Golden Proportion

Central should appear 1.618 X as wide as lateral

Canine should appear 0.618 X as wide as lateral

Mack, J Prosthet Dent, 1991

Lombardi, J Prosthet Dent, 1973

Facial Proportions,

Symmetry and Teeth

Ideal tooth proportions:

-“Golden Proportions”: 1.6/1.0/1.0 (1.6)

Individual tooth proportions: 1.2-1.4 long x 1.0 wide

Centrals = Canines in length and are 20% longer than Laterals

Centrals are 25% wider than Laterals and 10% wider than Canines

Length/width ratio of Canines and Laterals = 1.2 : 1

Length/width ratio of the Centrals = 1.1 : 1

Tooth Arrangement and

Dento-Facial Relationships

Length of maxillary incisors:

Not established by esthetics alone!

“E” sound: 50-70% of available space filled by max centrals

<50%: can consider lengthening >70%: lengthening not indicated

“F” sound: incisal edges positioned at the wet-dry line

“S” sound: inter-incisal distance \approx 1 mm

Occlusion and soft tissue relations may also effect tooth position

Tooth Arrangement and Dento-Facial Relationships

Incisal Length: Ends 1-2 mm above lower lip line

Use “every other tooth” technique when prepping anterior teeth

Interpupillary line parallels edges of maxillary central incisors

Judge appearance both sitting and standing

Should follow curve of the lower lip

Surface Texture

Younger Patients

- High surface texture
- Decreases with age
- Low luster

Older Patients

- Low surface texture
(smoother)
- High luster

Facial Proportions,

Symmetry and Teeth

Natural dentitions are asymmetrical

Anterior teeth are mesially inclined

Apical crest of soft tissue is to the distal

Contours of a Smile:

Proximal Contact Progression

Contact Point Location

Incisal Embrasures: Young

Soft Tissue Considerations

The “Gummy Smile”

Definition:

>2mm of gingival display in full smile

The “Gummy Smile”

Differential diagnosis:

Insufficient (short) lip length..... Soft tissue problem

Hyperactive lip musculature..... Soft tissue problem

Vertical maxillary excess..... Skeletal problem

Dento-alveolar extrusion..... Dento-alveolar problem

Short clinical crowns, altered passive eruption.....

Gingival problem

Tissue Thickness

Thin tissue associated with increased risk for recession

Thin tissue may necessitate periodontal augmentation

Esthetic compromise with visible substructure possible

Recession

Predicting Recession

Key Point in margin placement:

Where is the base of the sulcus?

Where is the osseous crest?

Quality and quantity of keratinized tissue?

Remember that sulcus depth varies: .69 mm average

Key Dimension:

Free Gingival Margin → Osseous Crest

Predicting Recession

High Osseous Crest (short sulcus):

Greater chance of biologic width violation

Low Osseous Crest (long sulcus):

Greater chance of recession

Bone Sounding

Prudent pre-operatively in

esthetically critical cases

“Black Triangles”

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Keys in attempting to restore the papilla:

Is there a proximal contact, or
can we establish one?

What is the distance from the contact to the osseous crest?

5 mm: Papilla present 100% of the time

6 mm: Papilla present 56 % of the time

7 mm: Papilla present 27 % of the time

Pre-op bone sounding is prudent

Bone and Soft Tissue

Alveolar Ridge Defects

Siebert's Classification

Type 1: Loss of facial-lingual width

Type 2: Loss of occluso-gingival height

Type 3: Loss of both height and width

Many techniques available

Osseous grafting

Soft tissue grafting

RDP

Tooth Color and Staining

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Tetracycline exposure

Fluorosis

Systemic Illness/Condition

Pulpal Degeneration

Restorative Materials

Aging/Calcific Changes

Secondary Dentin

Tetracycline Staining

Discoloration as a result of Restorative Materials

Discoloration Secondary to Pulpal Degeneration

Esthetic Factors

Vital Bleaching:

Mechanism of Action

Action by oxygen free radical (oxidation reaction)?

Organic molecules are broken down to smaller, less-colored molecules ?

Alteration of the enamel changes light reflectance to cause an apparent lightening?

Bleaching: Indications

Generally mild to moderate staining

Yellow, orange and brown fluorosis

First and second degree tetracycline (variable success)

Aging-related discoloration

Bleaching: Contraindications

Severe staining of most types

Sensitive teeth (recession)

Smokers (relative)
Extensive restorative history
Unrealistic patient expectations
Known sensitivity to bleaching agent
Pregnant or nursing women

Bleaching: Advantages

Non-invasive
Easy, economical, predictable
Good patient acceptance
Minimal chair time required
Low toxicity, safe
Good longevity
Titratable
Easy post-treatment maintenance

Bleaching Agents

Hydrogen Peroxide (HP)

Carbamide Peroxide (CP)

Acidic pH of 4-7

CP breaks down into HP and urea

10% CP	1/3 HP and 2/3 Urea
HP	oxygen and water
Urea	ammonia and CO ₂

Materials: In-Office Bleaching

35%-50% Hydrogen Peroxide

HiLite(Shofu)

Opalescence Xtra (Ultradent)

Superoxol

35-40% Carbamide Peroxides

Accelerate (Den Mat)

Hydrogen Peroxide/Carbamide Peroxide Combos

White Speed (Discus Dental)

New Light-Assisted

Chairside Techniques

Materials: Home Bleaching

10% carbamide peroxide with Carbopol®

Longest track record

Most prevalent concentration

Only concentration with ADA acceptance

Examples:

Opalescence (Ultradent)

Nupro Gold (Dentsply)

Colgate Platinum (Colgate)

Nite White Classic (Discus)

Rembrandt Lighten (Den Mat)

Radiant (SciCan)

Proxigel(Block Drug)

Carbopol® Noveon, Inc. (formerly B.F. Goodrich Co.)
High molecular weight polyacrylic acid
Carboxymethylene polymer
Thixotropic nature
Thickening Agent
Binds to CP
Prolongs oxygenation potential 4X
Less replenishment

Non-Vital Bleaching
Long track record
(a.k.a. “walking bleach”)
Must remove all composite from access
External cervical resorption concerns!
Correlated with use of: heat, concentrated bleaching agents
Ensure adequate seal over RCT
Consider using: saline/perborate vs. superoxol/perborate

Does Bleaching Work?

Depends on the type/degree of stain
Haywood advocates 4-6 months for severe TCN cases
Should see lightening within 3-4 days
Pt's compliance before and after treatment is key
Effective 75 - 90% of selected cases
Depends on study
Longevity is reasonable, but variable
May require re-treatment periodically

Effects on Gingiva

Little to no irritation with well fitting trays and use of rubber dam when indicated (in-office systems)
May irritate tissue at higher concentrations
Indices, gingival biopsies report no lasting effect
Some patients gingival health improves due to increased oral hygiene and O₂ tension

Enamel Bond Strength

No long term significant difference in bond strength after bleaching
Residual peroxide or oxygen may effect bonding
Wait 24-48 hrs if bonding is indicated

Effects on Restorative Materials

Minimal to no effect on composite or porcelain
Change in color of composites insignificant
Increased release of mercury from amalgam, (2 reports)
Methacrylate temporary resins discolor (orangish)
Bis-acryl and polycarbonate not affected

Effects on Tooth Structure

Most SEM studies of enamel surfaces show little or no change in morphology
Studies show no significant effects on physical properties of enamel

Salivary remineralization might reverse any physical changes that occur
Slight surface pitting with 50% H₂O₂ office bleach

Tooth Sensitivity

Bleaching frequently causes minor tooth discomfort

Sensitivity is transient

Related to agent strength / exposure time

Tooth sensitivity can be controlled by:

- Reduction of exposure time/concentration

- Fluoride treatment

- Use of desensitizing agents

- Desensitizing agents being added
manufacturer

by

Esthetic Factors

Tooth Color and Staining

Bleaching

Microabrasion

Enamel Microabrasion

Chemo-mechanical removal of superficial enamel discoloration through the use of acid/abrasive solution with mechanical means or rotary instruments

Enamel Microabrasion: Indications

Enamel lesions only: especially brown fluorosis lesions

Superficial enamel hypoplasia or hypocalcification

Chemo-mechanical removal of superficial tooth structure

Acid and abrasive mixture

Multiple systems available:

Prema[®], Opalustre[®], home-made

Enamel Microabrasion: Advantages

- Conservative

- Permanent

- Short treatment time

- No apparent pulpal effect

- Can be used in conjunction with other techniques (e.g. bleaching, veneers)

Enamel Microabrasion: Disadvantages

- Elbow grease required

- Limited to shallow defects (<200 microns)

- Caustic chemicals, excellent isolation required

- Macroabrasion with discs or burs as effective?

- Safety concerns for patient & operator

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Tooth Colored Options

- Direct Resin Composites

- Crowns

- Inlays / Onlays

- Porcelain Veneers