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Various Surgical Approaches for Anterior Pink Esthetics



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The placement of dental implants in the anterior region is a challenge for clinicians because of patient's esthetic demands and unfavorable anatomic condition.

Pink esthetics by soft tissue as well as white esthetics by restoration should be considered to obtain successful anterior implant outcomes.

When it comes to soft tissue esthetics, the location and design of the incision line have a significant impact on postoperative esthetic results. Sulcular incisions involving the papilla and papilla-sparing incisions are mainly used in the anterior region. The former and the latter have different advantages and disadvantages. Soft tissue thickness also has a significant impact on the esthetics and long term stability of anterior implants. In cases where soft tissue thickness is insufficient, soft tissue augmentation procedures such as sub-epithelial connective tissue graft or vascularized interpositional periosteal connective tissue graft(VIP-CTG) are often used in the esthetic zone. Also, if two adjacent implants are placed in the esthetic zone, papilla-like tissue will be able to regenerate by surgical procedure such as Palacci technique.

In this presentation, we will look into various surgical techniques to achieve anterior pink esthetics through clinical cases related to soft tissue augmentation and incision line design.

Case

