

**Abutment selection in implant dentistry****Ayda Eyvaz Ziaee**

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**W**ith an increase in availability of implant restorative components, as abutment, the selection of appropriate abutment for a given patient situation has become very important and creates a great challenge. The proper abutment can only be selected by diagnostic procedures including trial setups or provisional restorations on a diagnostic cast. Some factors to be considered in abutment selection are type of implant system, fixture diameter, gingival height, treatment plan, implant parts variety, jaw relations, patient economic considerations, type of tooth to be replaced, inter occlusal space, emergence profile and fixture angulation. This lecture shows a step by step guideline for choosing appropriate abutment, after describing different types of abutment that are useful in variety of clinical situations.

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