

Endodontics

The object of the endodontics are pulpal and periodontal diseases – their diagnosis, therapy, prevention

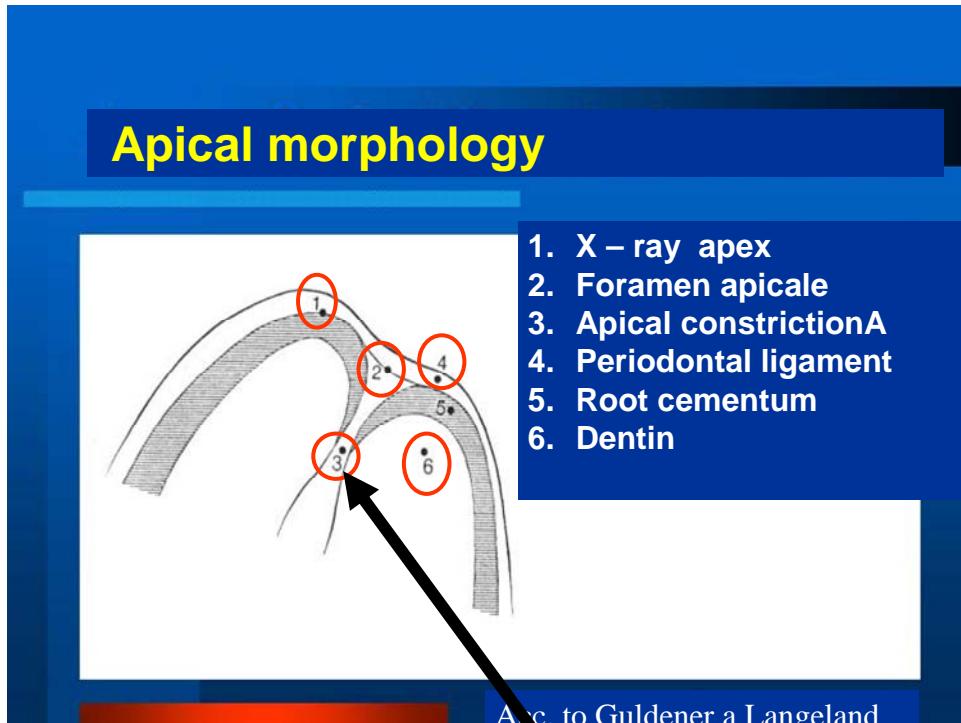
Morphology of the root canals

- The root canal is not round but almost always oval (long axis mesiodistal)
- The root canal does not go straight but it deflects distal
- The outfall is not on the top of the root but below (distal or distooral)
- The form of the outfall is funnel - shaped
- The root canal system has usually more outfalls (ramifications)
- The ramifications are situated mostly in apical area (first apical mm)
- All outfalls are situated in cementum

Basic forms of the root canal system (Weine)



Apical morphology



Canal shaping terminates in apical constriction

- Small communication
- Less risk of periodontal damage
- Prevention of overfilling
- Prevention of apical transport of infectious material
- Possibility of good bacterial decontamination
- Possibility of good condensation of the root filling

Phases of the endodontic treatment

■ Access to the pulp chamber

Penetration to the pulp chamber and removal of its roof

- Orifices of root canals must be seen clearly
- The instrument goes through to the root canal without bending
- Walls of the endodontic cavity are divergent

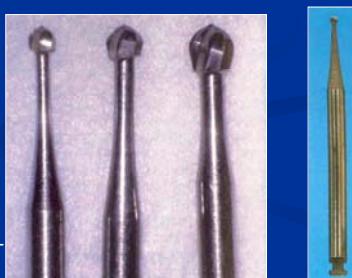
Penetration to the pulp chamber



Dia trepan



Dia round burs –
balls



Steel round burs

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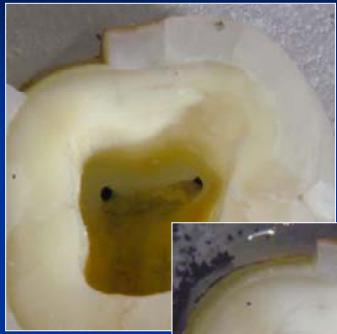


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Find the root canal orifice



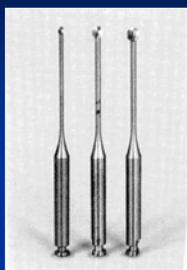
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Find and open the root canal orifices



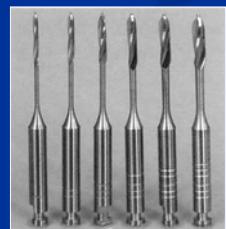
Rounded burs - balls



Miller's burs



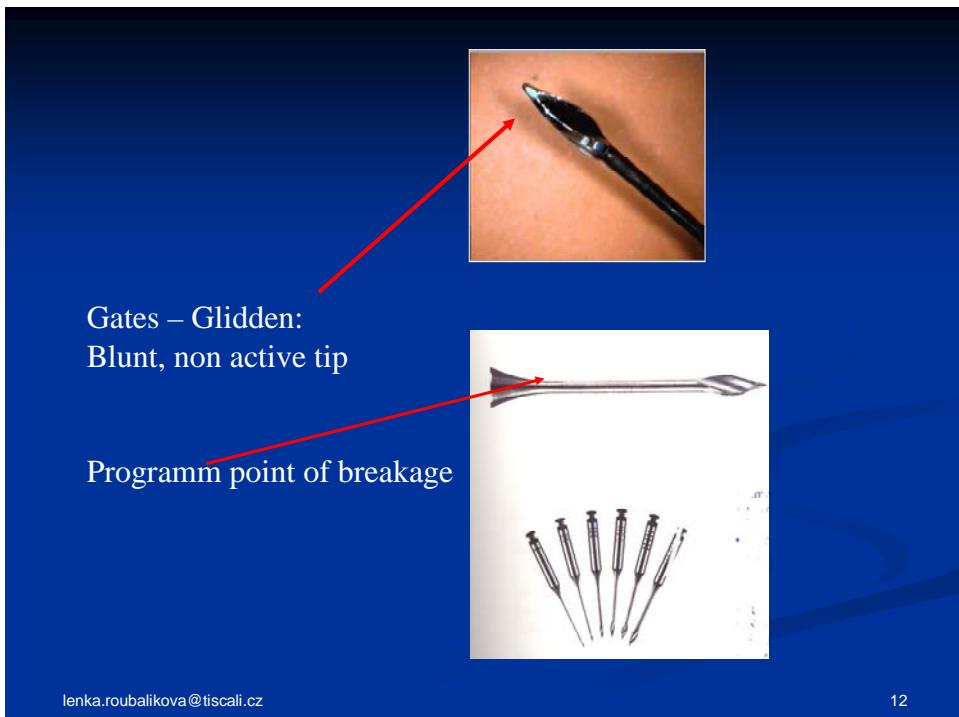
Gates Glidden's burs



Peeso – Largo

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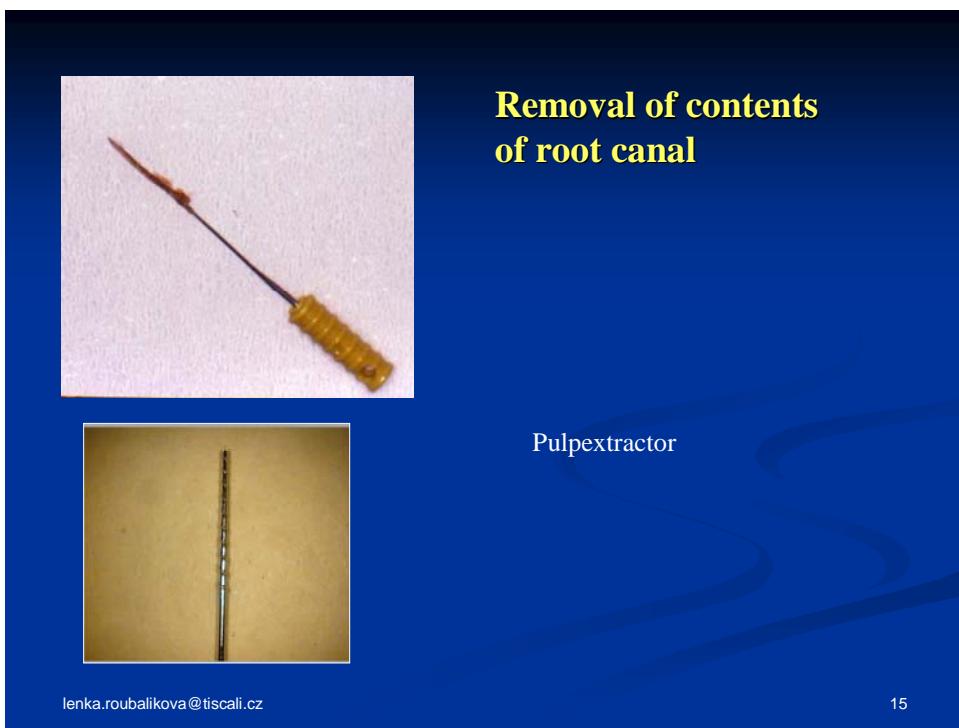
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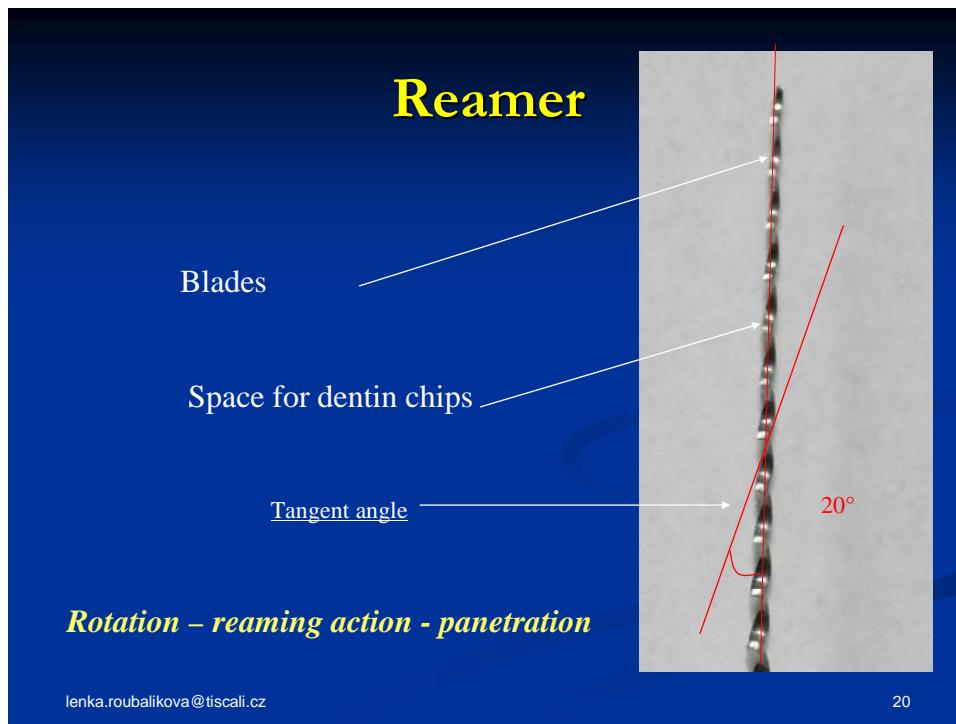
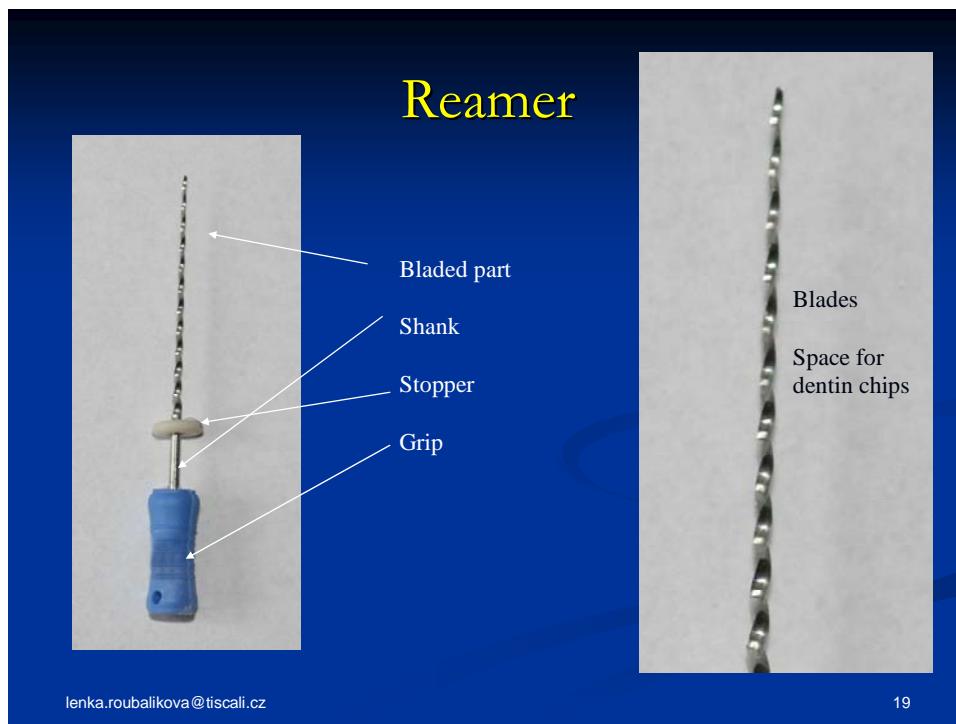
Pulpextractor



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Reamer



K- File

K file

Wire triangl or square



Symbol is always square



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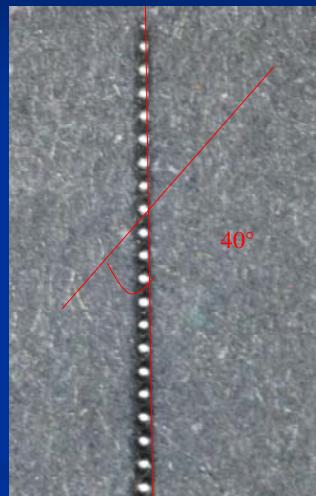
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K-file

Filing

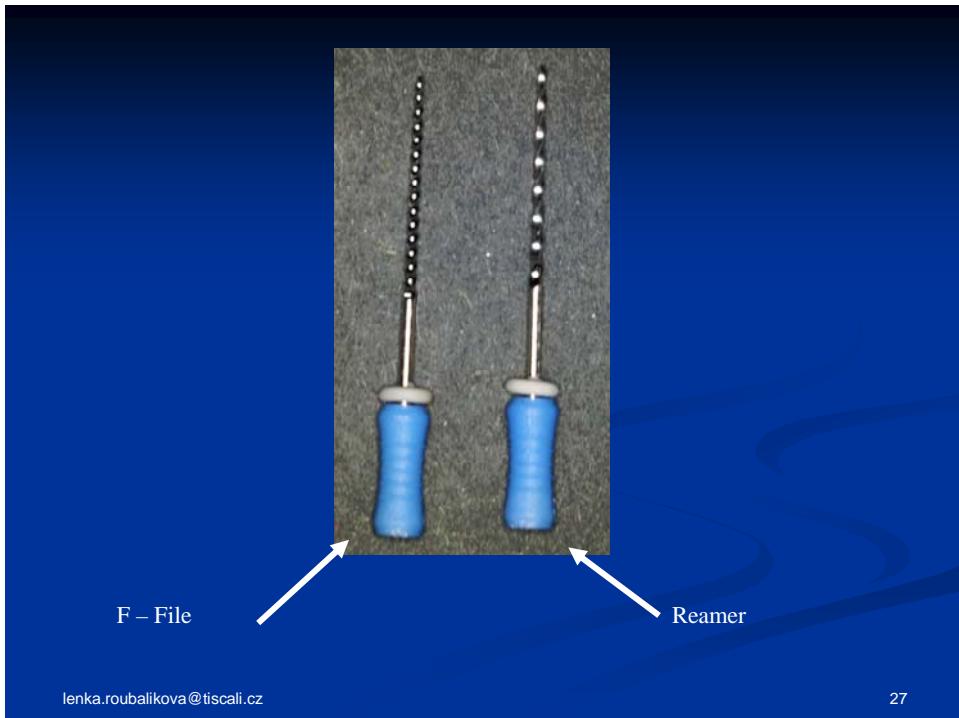
Also rotation

$45^\circ - 90^\circ$



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H – file

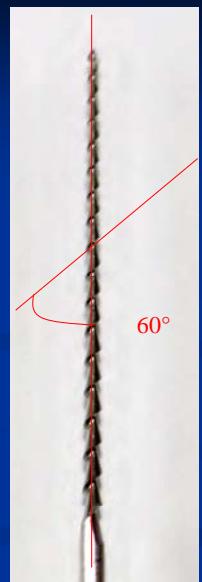


H- file

No rotation!!

Pull motion only!!

Risk of breakage in small sizes



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ISO

- Diameter of the tip
- Length of the cutting part
- Taper



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ISO norma

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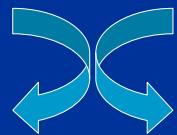
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Shaping technique

- Rotation – 45°

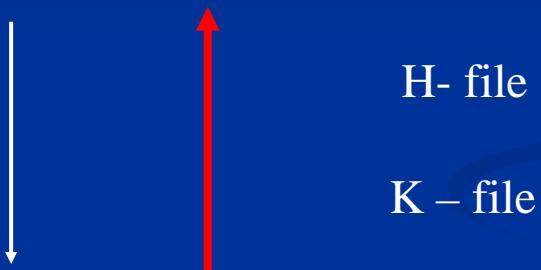


K – reamer

K- file

Shaping technique

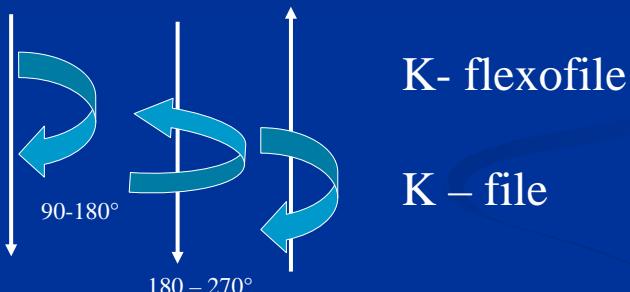
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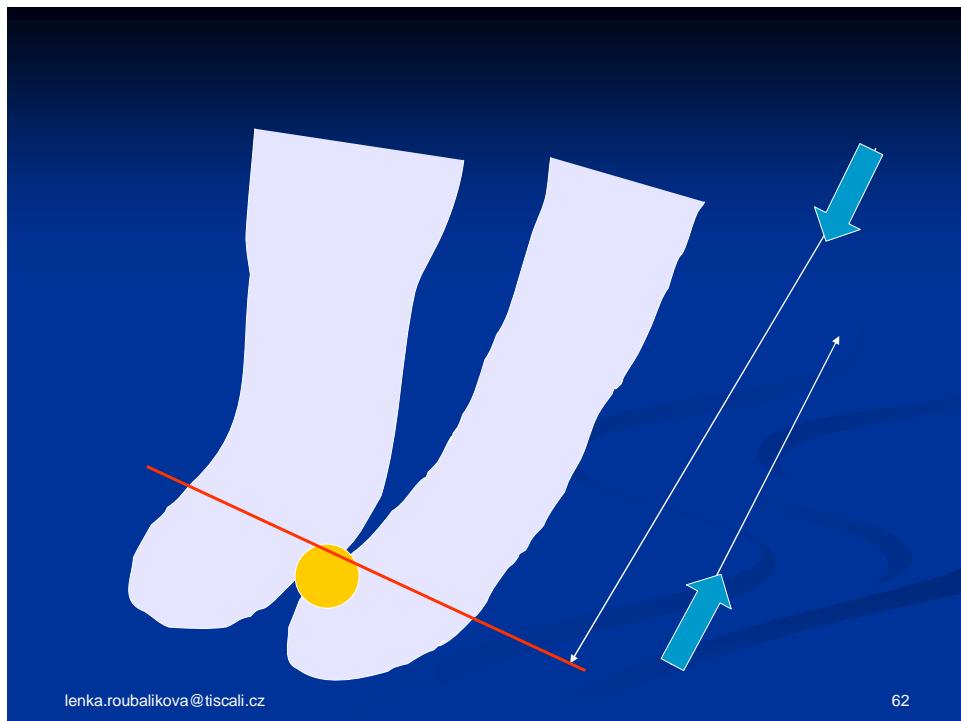


*Risk of periapical infection
Risk of plug*

Shaping technique

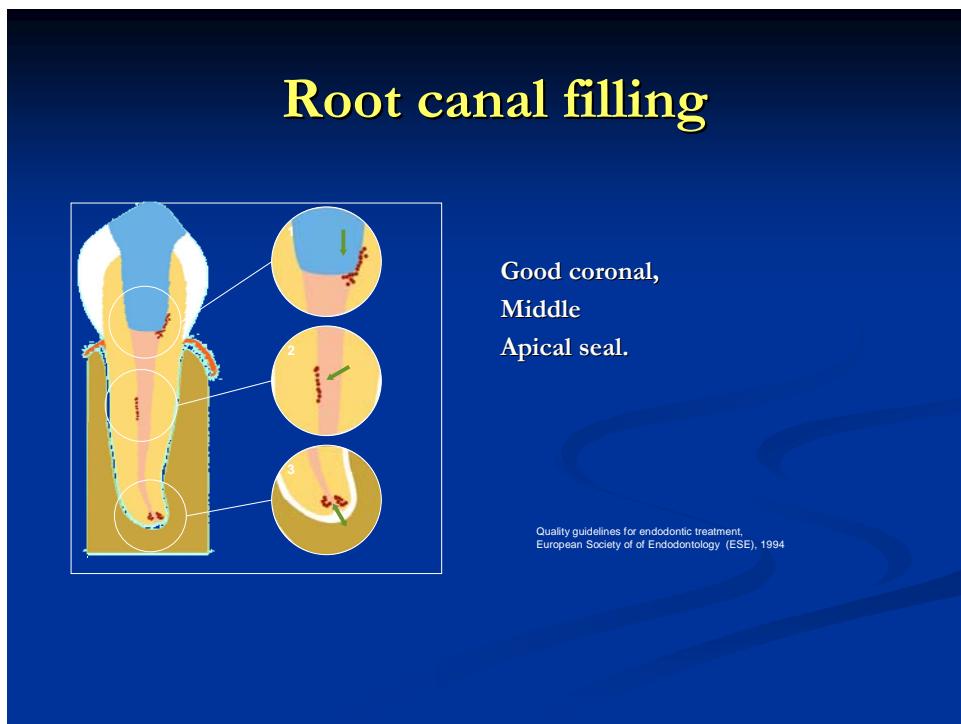
- Balanced force





Root canal filling

Guttapercha + sealer



Ideal root canal filling (Grossman 1988)

1. Easy mixing
2. Sufficient working time
3. Good seal
4. X-ray contrast
5. Easy removal
6. No shrinkage
7. Long term volume stability
8. No bacterial growing
9. No permeability for fluids
10. Biocompatibility
11. No staining

Guttapercha

Dried juice of the Taban tree (Isonandra percha)
(gutta)

1,4 - polyisoprene

Crystallin structure (60%)

Brittle, thermoplastic

Guttapercha

- **Beta phase**

- **Alpha phase** 42 – 49 °C

- plastic
- **Gamma phase** 56 – 62° (amorphous)

Cooling process

very slowly (less than 0,5°C) – alpha phase

normal cooling– beta phase

Composition of guttapercha materials in endodontic

Guttapercha 19% – 22%

Zinc oxide 59 - 79%

Heavy metal salts 1% - 7%

Wax or resin 1% - 4%

Calciumhydroxide sealers

Base (powder)

Calcium hydroxide

Zinc oxide

Other components and vehicle

Catalyst (paste)

Zinc stearat

Titanium dioxide

Baryum sulphate

or

Eugenol, Eukalypt

others

Kalciumhydroxide sealers

➤ Increase of the healing potential of periapical tissues

➤ Antibacterial effect

➤ Easy manipulation

But!

Resorbable if not homogenous

Not suitable for the single cone technique

Resin based sealers

➤ Epoxide

➤ Polyketone

➤ Metacrylate

Epoxide resin

➤ Base (powder, paste)

Bismuth oxid

Titanium dioxide

Hexametylentetramine

(Silver)

➤ Catalyst (liquide, paste)

Bisphenoldiglycidylether

Epoxide resins(*advantages*)

- Long working time
- Hydrophilic (good penetration)
- Good adhesion to the root canal walls
- Volume stability
- No dissolution
- Antibacterial

Epoxide resins (*disadvantages*)

- Difficult removal
- Staining
- Initiatory toxicity

No suitable for the single cone technique !

Polyketone

➤ Base

Zinc oxide

Bismuth phosphate

Hexametylentetramine

➤ Liquid

Bisphenolglycidylether and other components

Polyketone (*Advantages and disadvantages*)

Advantages

Good adhesion

No contraction

No dissolution

Disadvantages

High stickiness

Not removable

Products: Diaket, Diaket A (3M ESPE)

Methacrylate resins

Endo ReZ (Ultradent) – UDMA

For injection – single cone technique

Epiphany (Pentron)

Bis- GMA, etoxy bif- GMA, hydrophilic bifunctional methacrylates

Calcium hydroxide, baryum sulphate, baryum glass silica.

Sealer in combination with Resilon (synthetic polymer – cones or cartridges)

Glasionomer sealers

➤ Base (powder)

Aluminium silicate glass

➤ Liquid

Polyacrylic acid, polymaleic acid, tartaric acid

Glasionomer sealers

(Advantages and disadvantages)

Advantages:

Curing under wet conditions, chemical bonding to hard dental tissues, no staining

Disadvantages

Short working time, difficult removal,
porous

Products

Ketac Endo (3M ESPE), Endion (VOCO)

Silicon based sealers

Polyvinylsiloxane (ev. in mixture with powdered guttapercha

Biocompatibility
Hydrophilic

Further investigation desirable.

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Instruments for the root canal filling

Instruments

- Lentulo
- Compactors
- Compactors - carriers
- Others

Lentulo



- delivers pastes
- 1,5 – 2 mm ahead
- at most for $\text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2$

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Compactors

Spreader



Pointed

Vertical introduction

Lateral condensation technique 

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Compactors

Plugger



Not pointed

Vertical introduction

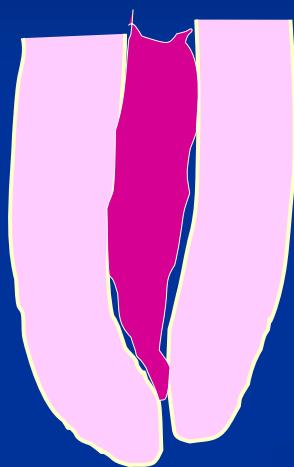
*Vertical condensation
- compaction*

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Filling techniques

Paste only



Shrinkage, difficult removal

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Single cone technique

- Easy
- Fast
- Good control of WL
- Standard round preparation – risk of leakage



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Lateral condensation

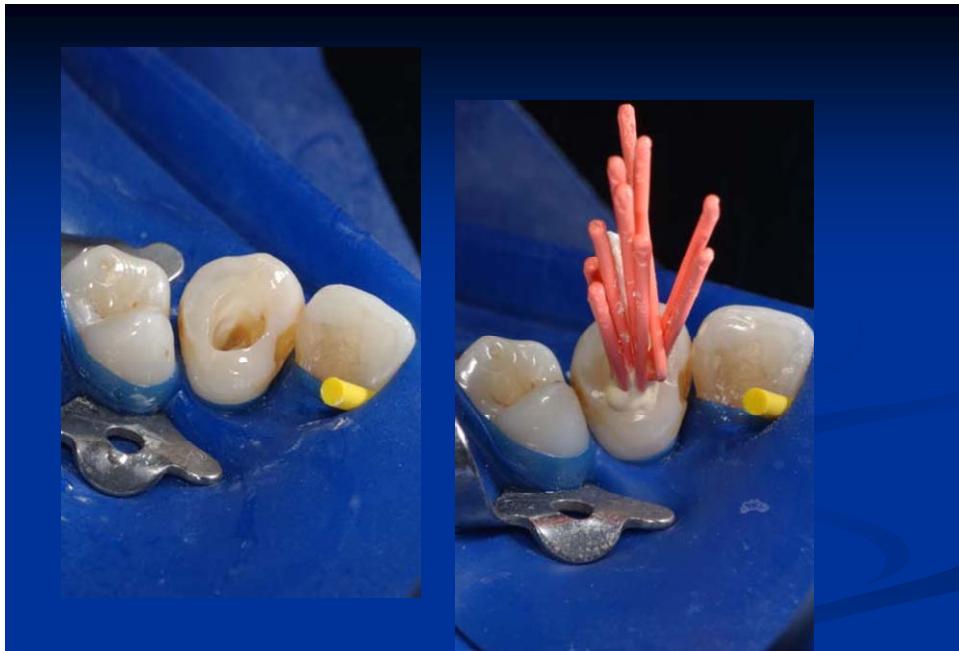
- Standard cold technique



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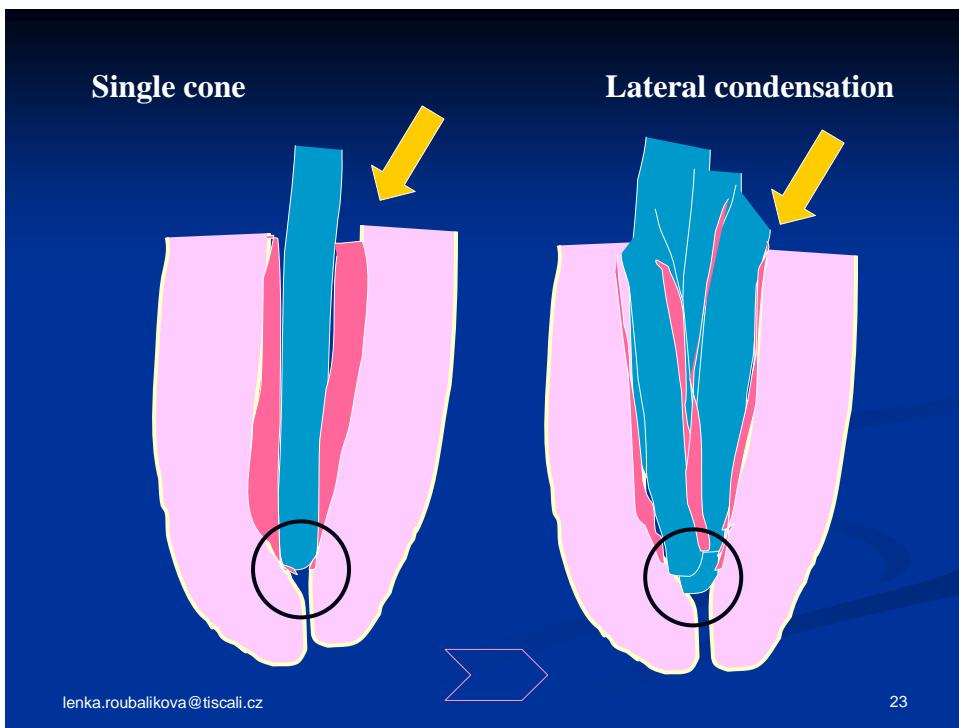
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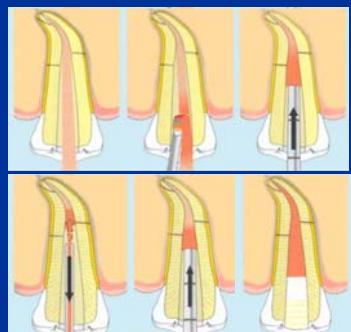


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Vertical condensation

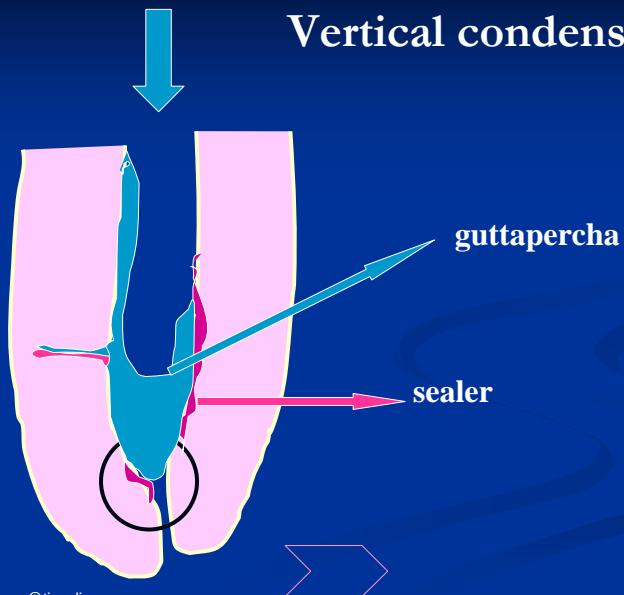
- Risk of extrusion
- Warm



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Vertical condensation



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