Cavity preparation basic rules

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Preparation of dental caries (cavity preparation)

- Instrumental treatment that removes dental caries
- The rest of the tooth must be restorable with filling materials
- The rest of the tooth as well as the filling must be resistant against occlusal forces
- The risk of secondary caries must be minimized

- Acces to the cavity
- Preparation of cavosurface margin and
- Extention for prevention
- Retention of the filling
- Resistance of the restored tooth
- Excavation of carious dentin
- Finishing of the walls
- Final control (light, mirir, magnification)

Acces to the cavity

Preparation through the hard dental tissues Removal the undermined enamel Separation of teeth Separation or removal of gingiva













Odstranění staré výplně



Preparation of cavity borders and <u>extention</u> for prevention (Cavosurface margin)

Depends on Dental material Oral hygiene

Precautions of secondary caries

Retention of the filling

Precautions of its lost Macromechanical retention Micromechanical retention Chemical retention

Resistance of the restored tooth

Against occlusal and other forces

Depends on

- Material
- Individual occlusal forces

Excavation of carious dentin

Necessary (risk of recurrent caries)

Ball shaped (spheric) bur - slow speed (3000 rpm) or

Excavator (hand instrument)

Finishing of the walls

Depends on the kind of material

- Bevel or without bevel
- Fine diamond bur

Final control

Direct or indirect view Good illumination Magnification

Preparation

• Hand

Excavator, cleaver

Power driven
Burs, diamonds

Chisel – for enamel Cleaver



Chisel for enamel







Instruments for cavity preparation

- Power driven (powered) instruments for cutting
- Rotary instruments
- Comon design characteristics



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Cutting instruments - burs

Steel

Tungsten carbide

Round (ball shaped)



Fissure with flat end

Fissure with pointed end Straight or tapered form





Inverted conus



Cutting instruments – diamonds

Extra coarse – black

Coarse – green

Standard – blue or without any marker

Fine - red

Extra fine - yellow

Ultrafine - white

Cutting instruments – diamonds head shape

• Ball, pear, cylinder,taper,flame, torpedo, lens and others.....



Hazards with cutting instruments

- Pulpal precautions
- Soft tissue precautions
- Eye precautions
- Ear precautions
- Inhalation precautions

Filling materials

• Temporary

• Definitive, permanent

Temporary filling materials

- Zinkoxidsulphate cement and one component derivates
- Ziknoxidphosphate cement
- Zinkoxideugenol cement
- Polymer based materials
- Guttapercha

Permanent filling materials

Amalgam

Composites

Glasionomers

Amalgam

Amalgam

Metal-like restorative material composed of silver-tin-copper alloy and mercury.

Types of amalgam restorative materials

Low – Copper Amalgam (5% or less copper) Composition – wt%

Silver63 - 70 %Tin26 - 28 %Copper2 - 5%Zinc0 - 2%

Types of amalgam restorative materials

<u>High – Copper Amalgam (13% - 30%)</u> <u>copper</u> Composition – wt%

Silver Tin Copper Zinc 40 - 70 % 26 - 30 % 2 - 30% 0 - 2%
Particles of the alloy

✓ Irregulary shaped (filings - lathe cut)

✓ Microsphers

✓ Combination of the two.

Particles shape

<u>High – Copper Amalgam</u>

Microsphers of the same composition (unicompositional)

Mixture of irregular and spherical particles of different or the same composition (admixed)

Production of irregular particles

Metal ingrediences heated, protected from oxidation, melted and poured into a mold to form an ingot.

Phases of the alloy: (intermetallic compounds)

Ag₃Sn - γ Cu₃Sn - ε Cu₆Sn₅ - η Ag₄Sn - β

Production of irregular particles

cooled slowly

Ingot heated at 400° C (6 – 8 hours) (homogeneous distribution of Ag₃Sn)

Ingot cut on the lathe, particles passed trough a fine sieve and ball milled to form the proper particle size.

Aging of particles (60 - 100° C, 6 – 8 hours)

Particle size: $60 - 120 \ \mu m$ in length $10 - 70 \ \mu m$ in width $10 - 35 \ \mu m$ in thickness

Production of irregular particles

Molten alloy is spraying into water under high pressue

Irregulary shaped highcopper particles

Production of spherical particles

Molten alloy is spraying under high pressue of inert gas through a fine crack in a crucible into a large chamber

Diameter of the spheres: $2 - 43 \mu m$

Amalgamation processes

alloy is mixed with pure mercury



Trituration

Amalgamation processes



Setting of low copper amalgam

Principle of setting is crystallization Structure of the amalgam filling Ag-Hg: gamma 1 Sn-Hg: gamma 2

Gamma phase (Ag-Sn) does not dissolve completely

Risks of the gamma 2 phase

- Non stable
- Tin is released due to electrogalvanism in oral cavity and mercury from this phase reacts with remaining gamma phase.
- This is external electrochemical corrosion.

Low copper amalgam has worse mechanical and corrosion resistance than high copper amalgam

High copper amalgam

- Content of copper increased: 12 13%
- (less tin)

• Or up to 25% (Less tin and silver)

Better mechanical and corrosion resistance

Amalgamation processes



Amalgamation processes

High copper amalgam – copper dissolved in mercury has high reaction afinity to tin that is also dissolved in mercury. It reacts with tin in gamma2 phase and eta phase comes into existence.



Amalgam - properties

Amalgam

- Wear and pressure resistance (2mm thickness ast least)- brittleness
- Easy handling
- Low price
- >Thermal and electrical conductivity
- Corrosion
- Bad aesthetics
- ≻Creep

> Flow

Biocompatibility

- More than 160 years, more than 200 milions Ag fillings every year in USA.
- Allergy rare
- Precautions in children and in pregnancy.

AMALGAM IS STILL A MATERIAL OF CHOICE

Toxicity

Organic compoundsVapours, aerosol

Precautions

- Ventilation
- Rests of amalgam in water
- Amalgam separators
- Dangerous waste (180 110)

Indications and contraindications of amalgam

Indications

- Moderate and large cavities in posterior area (class I., II. V)
- **Contraindications**

Fillings in frontal area Pregnancy, children till the age of 15 Allergy

Mixing of amalgam

> Hand mixing (obsolete)

Power driven trituration











Power driven condensation

handpiece condensor





Preparation instruments

Filling instruments

> Carvers

➢ Burnishers

Preparation instruments - power driven Burs

Diamonds





Preparation instruments - hand





Amalgam carrier

Amalgam carrier



Filling instruments condensors and spatulas

Condensor with flat front



Condensor with flat front



Condensor and burnisher - spatula combined





Burnisher - spatula Angular- trough edge trough face



Burnisher – spatula, angular three face



➢ Burnishers

Ball condensor – used as a burnisher at most

