

## **61. Optimal implant protheses: making a clinical decision**

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has completely changed the way we practice dentistry and the predictability of osseointegration has given confidence to the restorative dentist and has enabled him/her to restore function and esthetics in a way which was only a dream a few years ago. However from the plethora of restorative materials, designs and techniques, making best choice for a particular patient is a big dilemma.. In past metal- ceramic prostheses have been routinely used for final restorations. The ever increasing esthetic demand coupled with excellent tissue response and good mechanical properties have led to the popularity of metal free ceramics.. The present paper discusses various treatment options: fixed hybrid prostheses, metal-ceramic prostheses, metal free prostheses and cad/cam prostheses.

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