

## 28. Restoration of badly broken down tooth: clinical

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Clinicians are frequently facing the dilemma of whether to perform endodontic treatment in order to retain a necrotic tooth or to extract and replace it with a dental implant.. According to recent reviews, the long-term survival rates of sound or even compromised teeth surpassed those of oral implants [1, 2]. During the last decade, the endodontic therapy has improved continuously due to modern equipment and high technology. A frequent issue was the long-term success rates, i.e. whether the implant is better than a tooth” or “the implant is a more reliable abutment”. . This paper will highlight two such encountered appropriate cases one which was restored endodontically and another with an implant.. References. 1. Holm-pedersen p, lang np, muller f. What are the longevities of teeth and oral implants? Clinical oral implants research. 2007;18: 15-19.. 2. Zitzman nv, krastl h, hecker c, walter c, weiger r. Endodontics or implants? A review of decisive criteria and guidelinefor single tooth restoration and full arch reconstruction. International endodontic journal. 2009; 42: 757-774.

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