Program Speaker - Dr. Joerg Strüb

Title
When to go with Pink Porcelain?

Abstract
The preservation or reproduction of a natural mucogingival architecture surrounding dental implants is challenging, particularly when patients present with a hip lip line. The challenge arises from the absence or loss of hard and soft tissues due to congenital defects, accidents, tumors or tooth extractions. Surgical reconstructive procedures have been used for the improvement of hard and soft tissue defects prior, during, or after implant placement. Various prosthodontic techniques were reported to improve the hard and soft tissue deficiency including the use of a flexible silicone-based tissue-colored mask, a fixed partial denture applying gingiva colored resin, porcelain or overdenture. This esthetic advantage needs to be balanced against the likelihood of increased difficulty in keeping implant-abutment interface plaque-free.

Learning Objectives
1. Identify which hard and soft tissue defects can be treated surgically and/or prosthetically
2. Select and design the superstructure for complex scenarios
3. Be familiar with the long-term outcome of the different treatment modalities

Biography
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