Program Speaker - Prof. Dr. Geoffrey Thompson

Title
Implant Dental Materials

Abstract
There are three classifications of materials available to restorative dentists for use in patient care. Arguably, the oral environment is one of the harshest locations to employ man-made devices. Material selection for implant dentistry will generate some decision points based upon anticipated forces, wear resistance, strength and available space. This presentation will discuss types of dental materials, what you may expect by using them and the prosthetic complications associated with implant dentistry.

Learning Objectives
1. Understand rationale for selecting different dental implant restorative materials
2. Understand effect of time upon restorative work
3. Anticipate prosthetic complications from our understanding of the literature

Biography
Dr. Geoffrey A. Thompson is the Program Director in the Postgraduate Program in Prosthodontics at Marquette University. He received a B.A. degree in Chemistry from the University of South Florida and attended Emory University School of Dentistry in Atlanta, Georgia. In addition, he has earned a certificate in prosthodontics from Walter Reed Army Medical Center and a M.S. degree in Dental Materials from the University of Alabama at Birmingham. Dr. Thompson joined the faculty at the Marquette University School of Dentistry in 2010, coming from the U.S. Army Dental and Trauma Research Detachment, Great Lakes, Illinois. Dr. Thompson is a Director (Elect), American Board of Prosthodontics, Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics, Fellow in the American College of Prosthodontists and the Academy of Prosthodontics, and a member of the American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics. Dr. Thompson has authored or co-authored over 60 publications and abstracts in the scientific literature.