

## Prosthodontic Treatment for Edentulous Patients : A to Z

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At a time when implants are a hot topic in the dental world, a speaker who discusses complete dentures may seem like a cliched person who can't keep up with the times. From the perspective of quality of life, the tendency to prefer implants rather than general prosthetic treatment is on the rise, and for this reason, it sounds convincing that there are more dentists who know how to treat implants but are unable to treat simple caries.

It is essential to study complete dentures for complete denture treatment, but understanding the treatment concept of complete dentures for completely edentulous patients will make the overall clinical treatment of prosthetics easier and more rational. Although the concept of complete denture treatment has been established for a long time and has been used clinically, there are slight differences between practitioners in clinical and laboratory procedures. However, there should be no room for argument in that the difference in these techniques considers maintenance, support, and stability of dentures and even aesthetics.

I would like to summarize the key points of treatment that I have felt while guiding the clinical practice of complete denture treatment to students and practitioners for a long time. As mentioned above, the clinical and laboratory techniques for each step of manufacturing complete dentures may vary somewhat depending on the operator, and it is considered that the recovery of masticatory function, which is the ultimate goal of complete denture treatment, will not change regardless of which technique is used, and various conveniences are considered. Therefore, I think it is up to the audience to decide which technique to choose.

- Diagnosis of complete denture patients
- principle of Impression taking method for complete denture patients
- How to record intermaxillary relationships
- Alignment of artificial teeth and adjustment of occlusion
- Treat after installing dentures

Now, thinking that it is time to prepare for the growing elderly population in an aging society, especially edentulous elderly patients who need dentures, this lecture will help clinicians in the treatment of edentulous patients and prepare for the upcoming aging society. I hope to be of help.

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