Increase your confidence with periodontal plastic surgery

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Several surgical techniques could be used for isolated gingival recession, showing a high predictability in terms of root coverage. The coronally advanced flap with subgingival connective tissue graft is one of the most effective techniques for the treatment of Miller Class I and II recessions in single or multiple gingival recession.

Two oblique and divergent beveled vertical incisions are essential for this surgical technique. But the vertical incisions could cause problems sometimes like more bleeding, long chair time, patient's discomfort, scare tissue and less harmonious scalloped gingival margin.

Conversely, coronally advanced flap without any vertical incisions has several advantages like less bleeding, short chair time, harmonious scalloped gingival margin and no-scare tissue. And This technique could achieve root coverage predictably also.

In addition, tunneling techniques or lateral repositioned flap technique can also be used to resolve gingival recession. However, better clinical results can be achieved if the appropriate indications are followed.

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