Get implants and...in the best way!

What happened since you've been missing a tooth/some teeth?

with time as well as the way you have been chewing, eating, digesting...and you've put on weight because you've also changed your eating habits; consequently your skin and your hair don't look as nice as they did previously... you don't feel that good and you find it uncomfortable when people look at you for the very first time. Immediate and long term consequences of missing teeth are many:

Let's remember that a natural tooth is composed of two parts: the crown, which is the visible part of the tooth, and the root, which is the invisible part. The root is the most important part of the tooth because it maintains the tooth in the jawbone; it is acting as a real and active support of the crown. When the root has been removed, the alveolar bone which was surrounding the missing tooth disappears with time. Then, as other consequences, the

Your smile has changed remaining teeth suffer from hyperfunction, get damaged faster and increase their mobility; chewing becomes more difficult and painful. Moreover, the teeth- and bone-loss generate a narrowing of the jaws and an early ageing of the face.

> To make it short...as soon as a tooth has to be removed, don't wait more than four to six months to have it replaced.

Nowadays it is possible to replace missing teeth roots with implants mostly made of titanium and accurately screwed in the jawbone in the exact locations of the missing teeth. These implants constitute new roots, and work as the solid basis on which the missing crown parts of the missing teeth will be fixed. Once the implant and its crown have been placed, you feel like you have new teeth in the place of the missing ones.

This concept was developed more than 40 years ago by



and is now one of the emblems of modern and accurate dentistry. It makes allowances to preserve the remaining natural teeth so that instead of being drilled they are reduced to be used as supports of what is conventionally called "bridges;" this avoids bone loss and their un-aesthetic consequences on your smile.

Which kind of implantology to choose?

The implants should be stabilized being ideally completely surrounded by bone. Implantology started in a surgical way (gum cut and gum flap to expose the bone crest) because surgeons Pr. Branemark in Sweden needed to be able to appreciate the shape and volume of the residual bone crest to place the implants right in the middle of the remaining bone so that they would be stable and completely buried into the bone. But in many cases after teeth removals, residual bone decreases in an anarchic and unfavourable way. Consequently, the remaining bone the surgeon would have been planning to place his implants in, would allow burying of the implants but not in an ideal positioning with regard to the function (chewing) and the aesthetics (smile). Success percentage of this 2D

than 50%. Nowadays guided 3D implantology leads to an increased success rate of up

to 95%! Because of the 3D imaging possibilities provided by surgical implant planning and simulation software using the data from CT-scanners, it is possible to evaluate, prior to surgery, the remaining jaw bone quality and quantity to determine with accuracy the ideal, secure, functional and aesthetic location for the implants.

Based on this planning, a guide will be manufac-

implantology is not higher tured for the surgeon in such a way that it perfectly matches the treatment plan, turning it into reality and the success you are expecting. Knowledge of the exact location of important anatomy, such as the mandibular nerve and the maxillary sinus cavities, provide confidence implant placement will proceed smoothly and safely.

On an aesthetic point of view, the end result is that you will obtain an aesthetic outcome that looks natural. This will be assured because the restoration was taken into consideration during the planning process.

When the bony ridges are not wide, high and dense enough because of having been reduced and damaged through years by the infections, teeth removals and losses, the planning will recommend and help to make, before the implants will be placed, bone substitute grafts so that then implants could be well buried in the ideal position and location.

This new way of practising implant treatments brings predictability and safety, aesthetic results, reduced operation time (up to 50% less) and...clear pricing!

Removals, dentures are not final anymore. Damaging healthy teeth to make long bridges can now also be avoided.

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