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## Retention and deformation of a new attachment model for mini-implant-retained overdentures

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The gradual loss of retention and the need for periodic replacement of attachment system components are the most frequent complications in implant-supported overdentures. Develop a new polymeric attachment model for overdentures and compared your retention and deformation with a conventional O-ring attachment system. A matrix with two mini-implants with ball abutments was used to simulate the mandibular border during a fatigue resistance test. A total of 60 polyacetal (n=20), polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) (n=20) and O-ring (n=20) attachments were captured in pairs with acrylic resin and subjected to 3.625 insertion/removal cycles, simulating 30 months of overdenture use. The internal and external deformation of the attachments was assessed using an optical stereomicroscope. One-way analysis of variance and Tukey's test ( $\alpha=0.05$ ) were used for statistical evaluation. The polyacetal attachment system showed the highest retention ( $P<.001$ ), followed by the O-ring and PTFE attachments. The O-ring attachments exhibited the lowest deformation ( $P<.001$ ), and the polyacetal attachments had the highest internal deformation ( $P<.001$ ). The new polyacetal attachment model that was developed resulted in the high retention of mini-implant-retained overdentures, and despite the deformation experienced, the results suggested a period longer than 30 months before replacement would be required.

### Biography

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