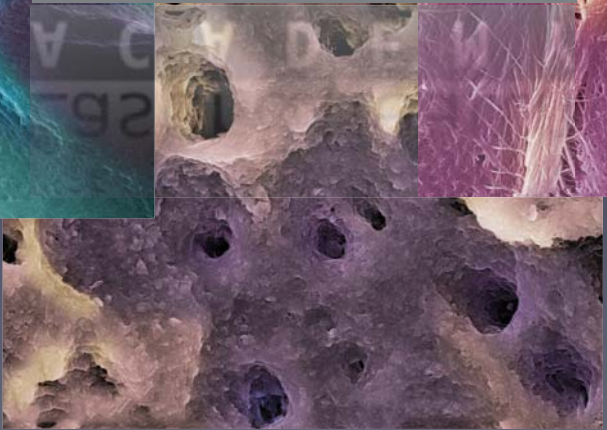
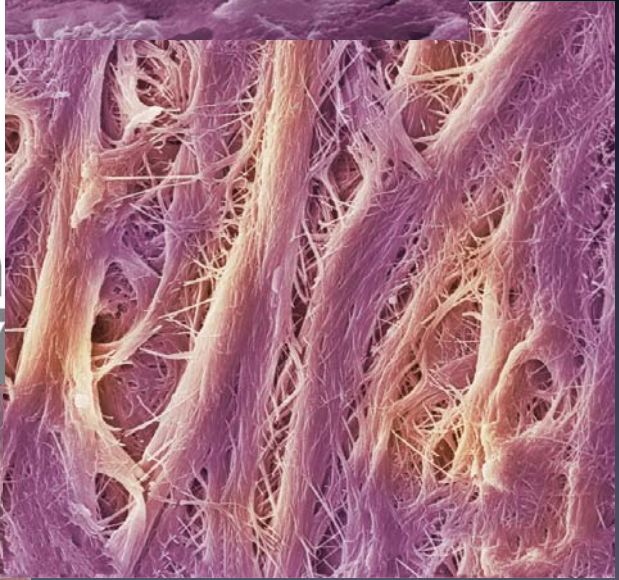
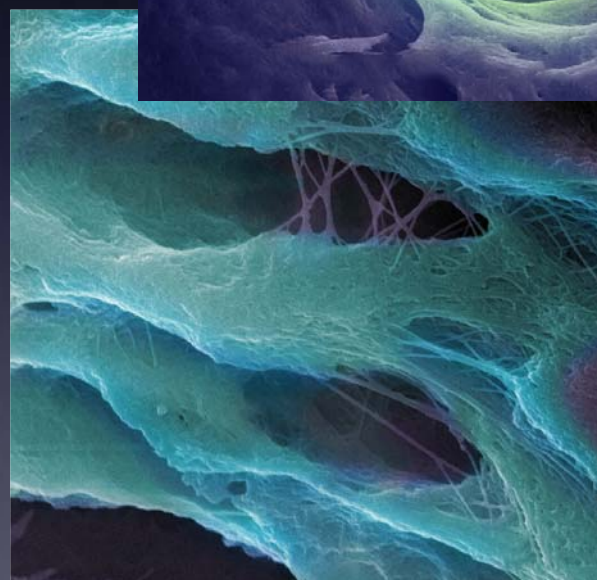
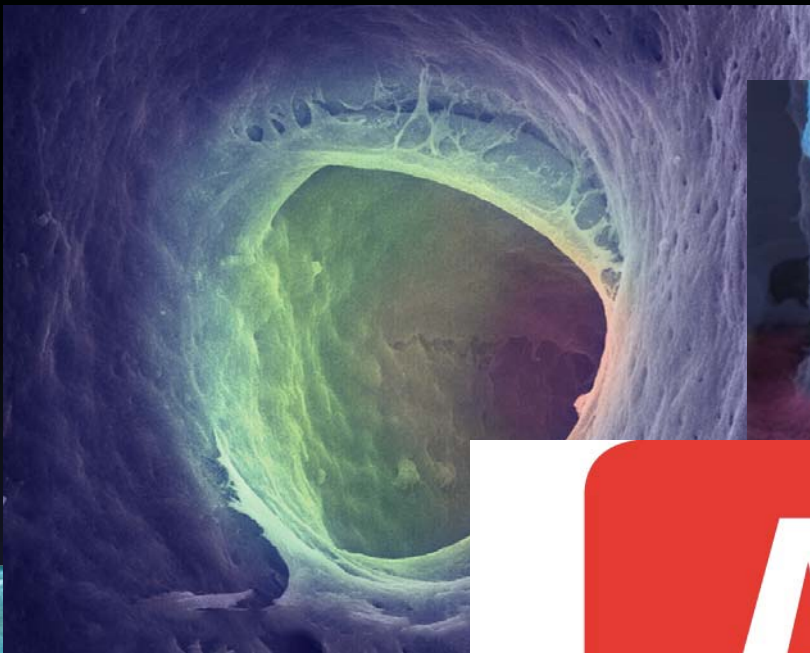
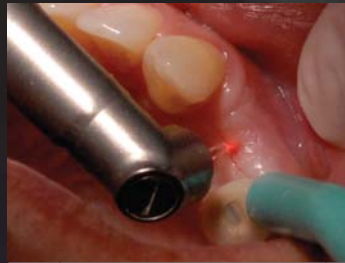


***laser assisted
endo ...
new aspects
of a classic protocol ...***



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periodontology

„laser assisted“



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➡ *partial shift* from **chemistry** to **biology !!**

„multiwave concept“

EBD



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Evidence Based Dentistry



„multiwave concept“ Evidence Based Dentistry

Evidence based dentistry is

„ an approach to oral health care that requires the judicious integration of systematic assessments of clinically relevant scientific evidence, relating to the patient’s oral and medical condition and history, with the dentist’s clinical expertise and the patient’s treatment needs and preferences.“ v. ADA



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Decisions should be based
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for which indication?

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- Erbium:YAG, Er,Cr:YSGG are used for removing smearlayers and organic tissue.

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PERIODONTOLOGY - Open curettage

1. Erbium:YAG laser
2. CO₂ laser
3. Er,Cr:YSGG laser

IMPLANT DENTISTRY - Uncovering implants

1. Erbium:YAG laser with variable pulse width and/or surgical tip
2. CO₂ laser
3. Diode laser

IMPLANT DENTISTRY - Periimplantitis (closed)

1. Diode laser 810 nm
2. Diode laser 980 nm
3. Nd:YAG laser with a fiberguide system or Er:YAG laser with special PA tip

IMPLANT DENTISTRY - Periimplantitis (open)

1. Er:YAG laser with very short pulses
2. Er,Cr:YSGG laser
3. CO₂ laser (limited)

SOFT-TISSUE SURGERY - Frenectomy

1. Er:YAG laser with long pulses
2. Er,Cr:YSGG laser
3. Er:YAG laser with normal pulse width and only in conjunction with special surgical tip

Or:

1. Diode laser 810 nm
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3. Diode laser 980 nm (conditionally)

HARD-TISSUE SURGERY - Apicoectomy

1. Er:YAG laser with long pulses
2. Er,Cr:YSGG laser

Endodontics

Germ reduction & „Smear Layer“ removal

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- sutures often unnecessary
- reduction of local anesthetic possible.

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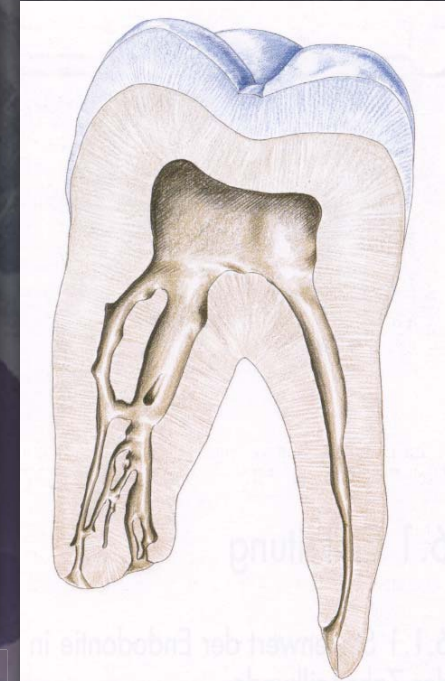
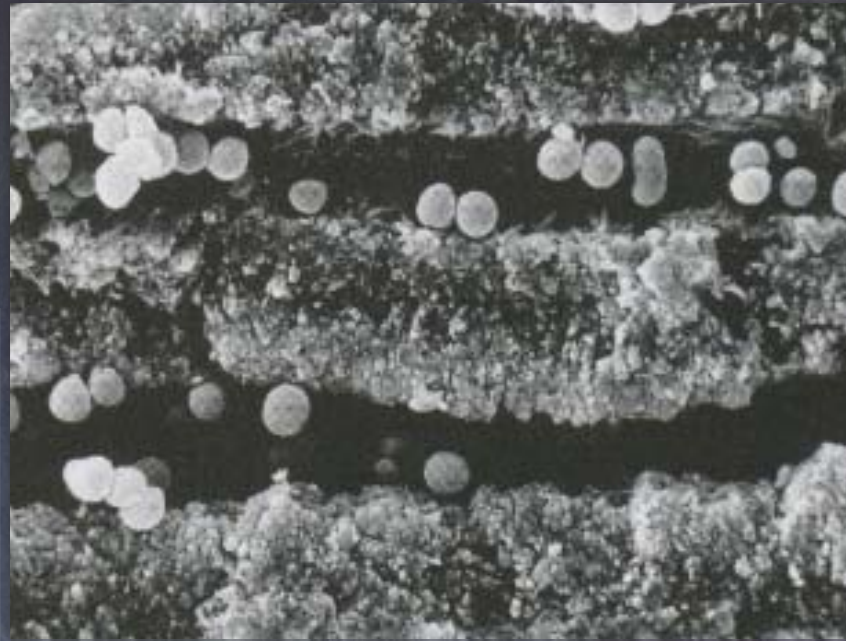
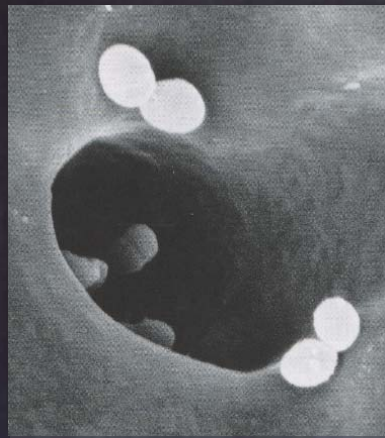
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Closed curettage



***laser assisted
endo
quo vadis ?***

bacterial infiltration → **1'100µm !!**



Nd:YAG ca. 96%

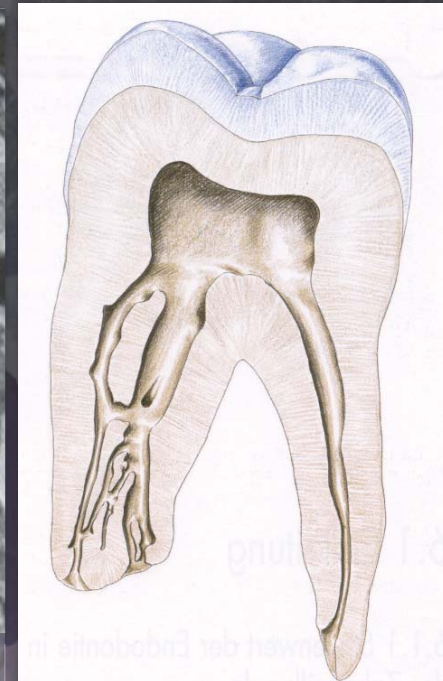
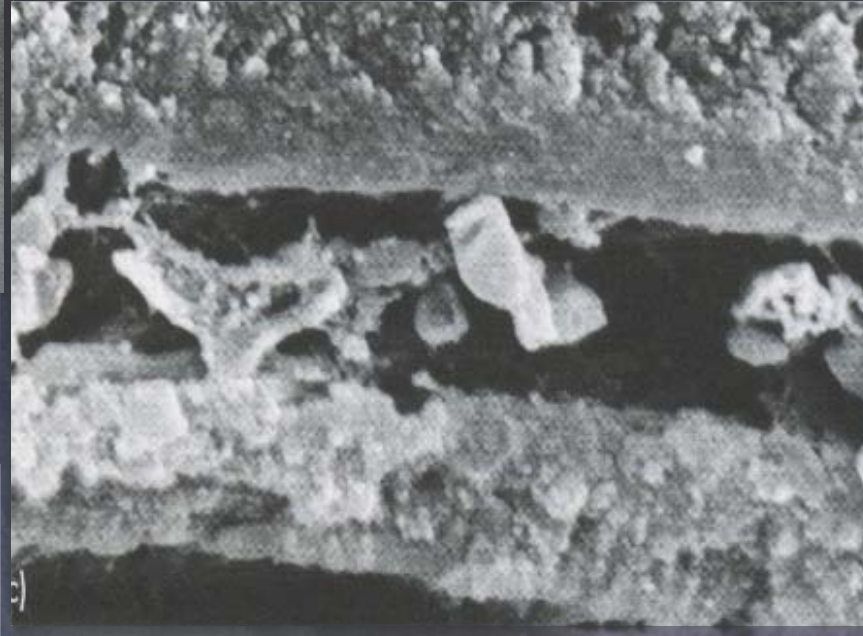
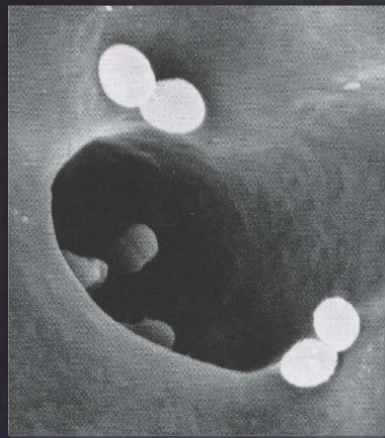
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Er:YAG 400µm

chem. standard rinsings 100µm

bacterial decontamination \Rightarrow \approx 100 μ m !!



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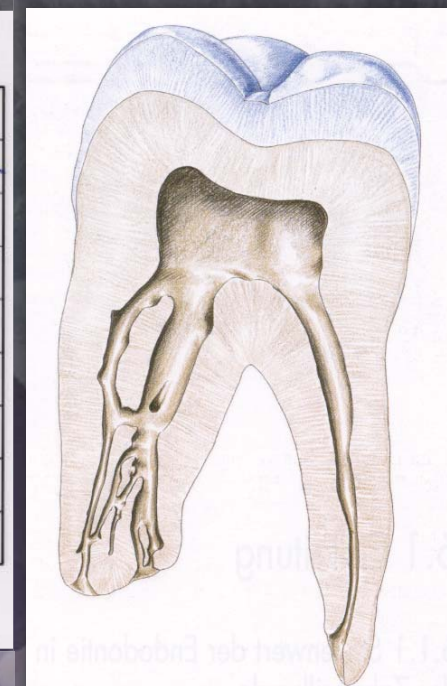
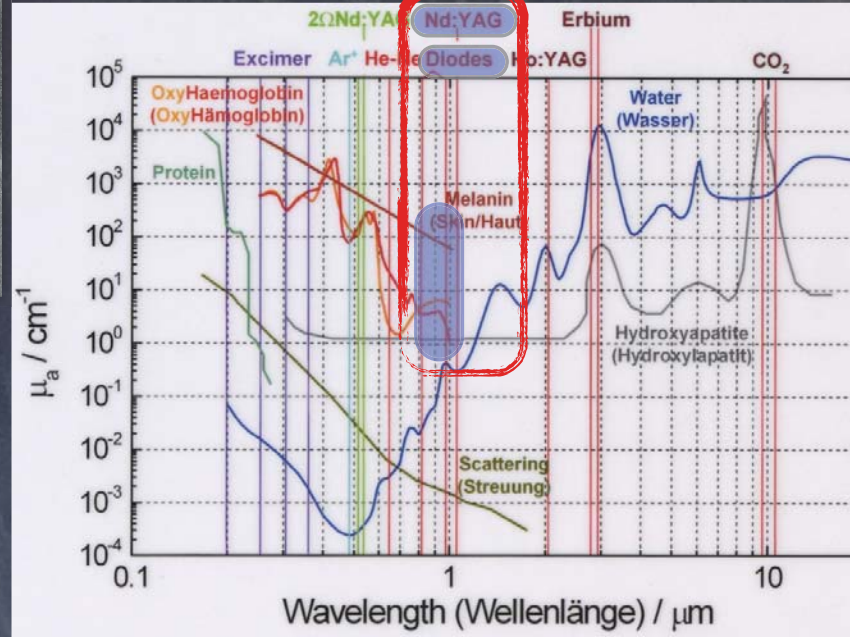
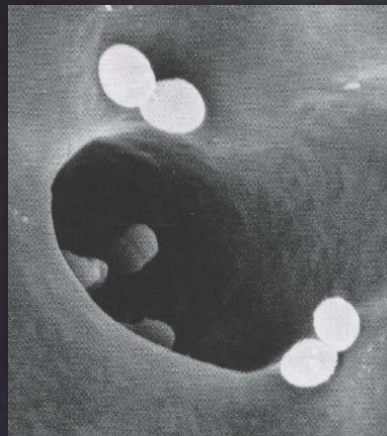
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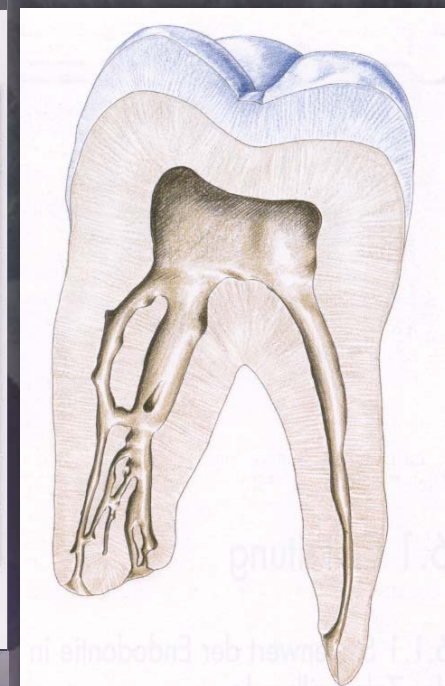
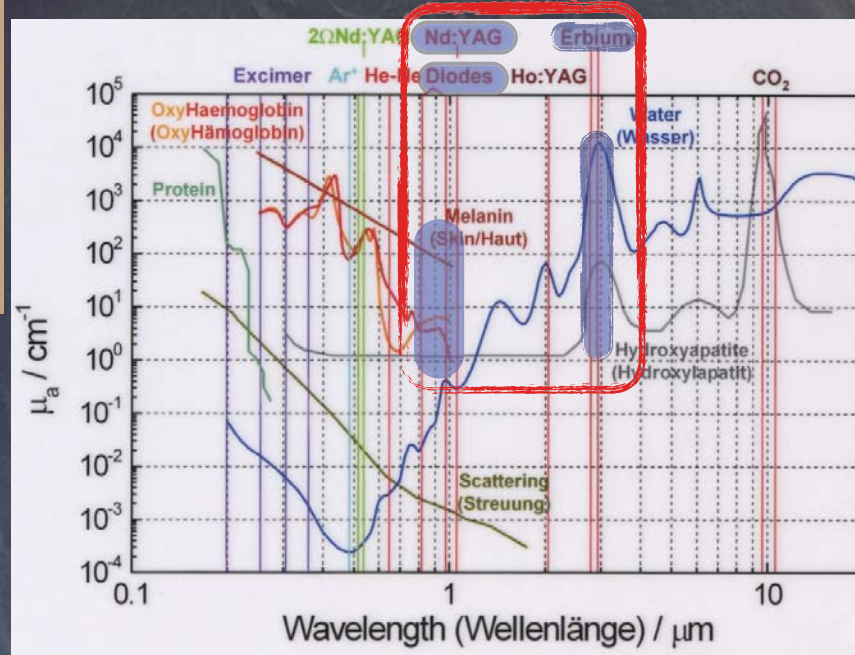
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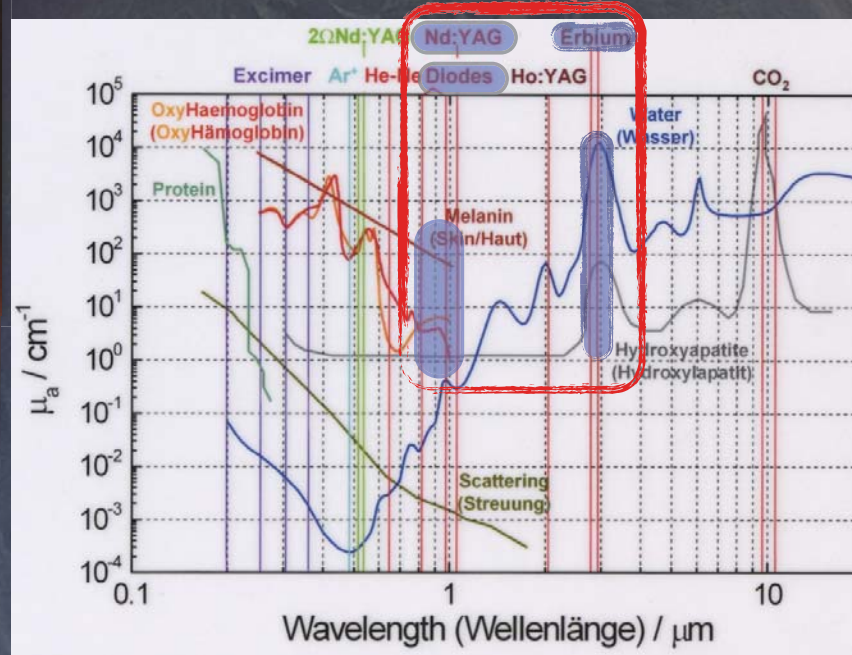


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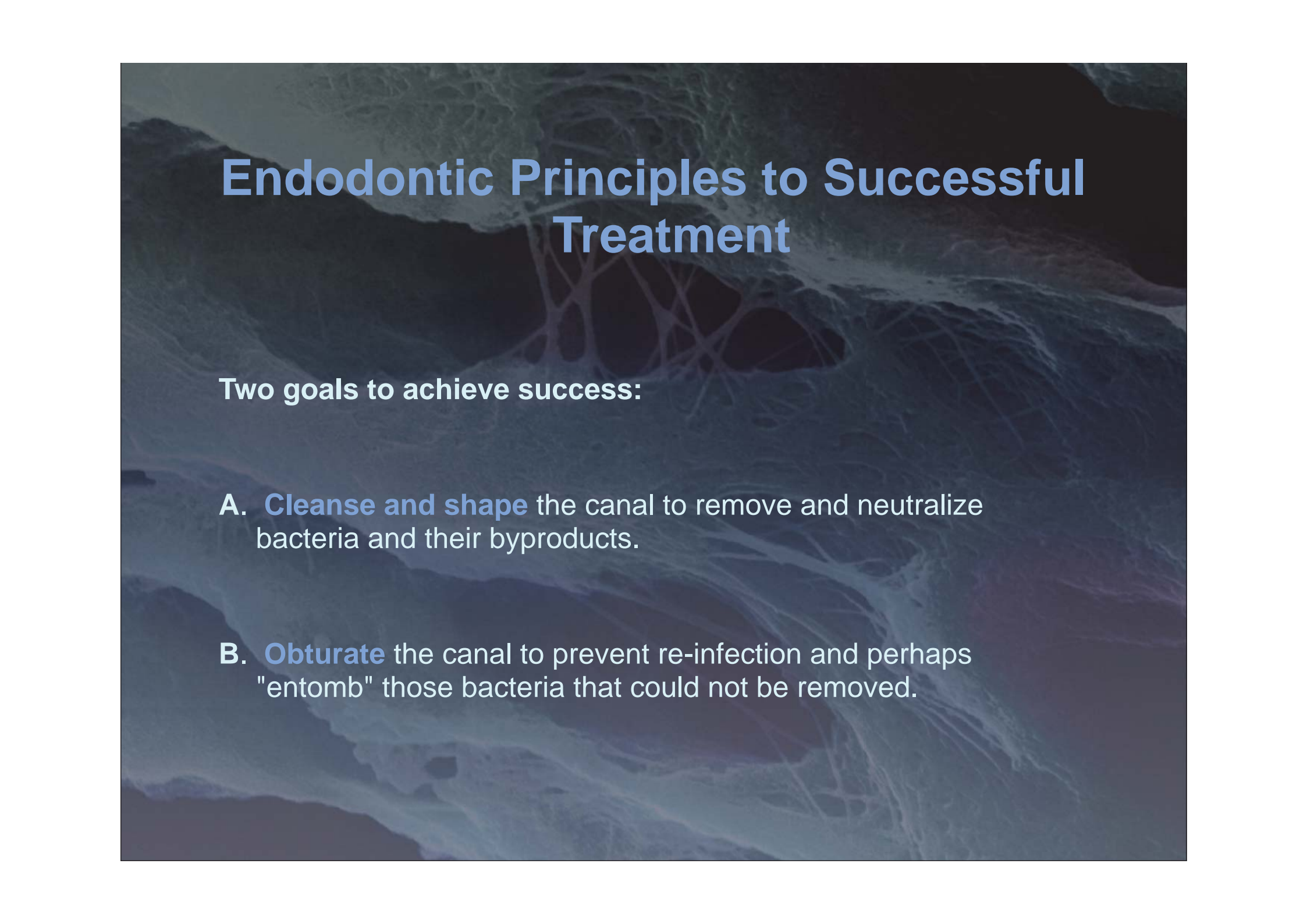
**access
to
pulp**



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**decontamination
biomech. steps
Smear Layer
removal**



Endodontic Principles to Successful Treatment

Two goals to achieve success:

- A. **Cleanse and shape** the canal to remove and neutralize bacteria and their byproducts.
- B. **Obturate** the canal to prevent re-infection and perhaps "entomb" those bacteria that could not be removed.



Histological Studies of the Root Apex

- A. Great deal of **variation** exists in how and where the **canal** terminates
- B. The **only true way** to determine canal terminus is to remove the tooth and examine it **microscopically**.

This is the reality to which clinicians must accommodate their techniques !!

complexe micro-anatomical structure



Dyed Nerve Structure



Microcomputer Tomography



Photographic

complex micro-anatomical structure

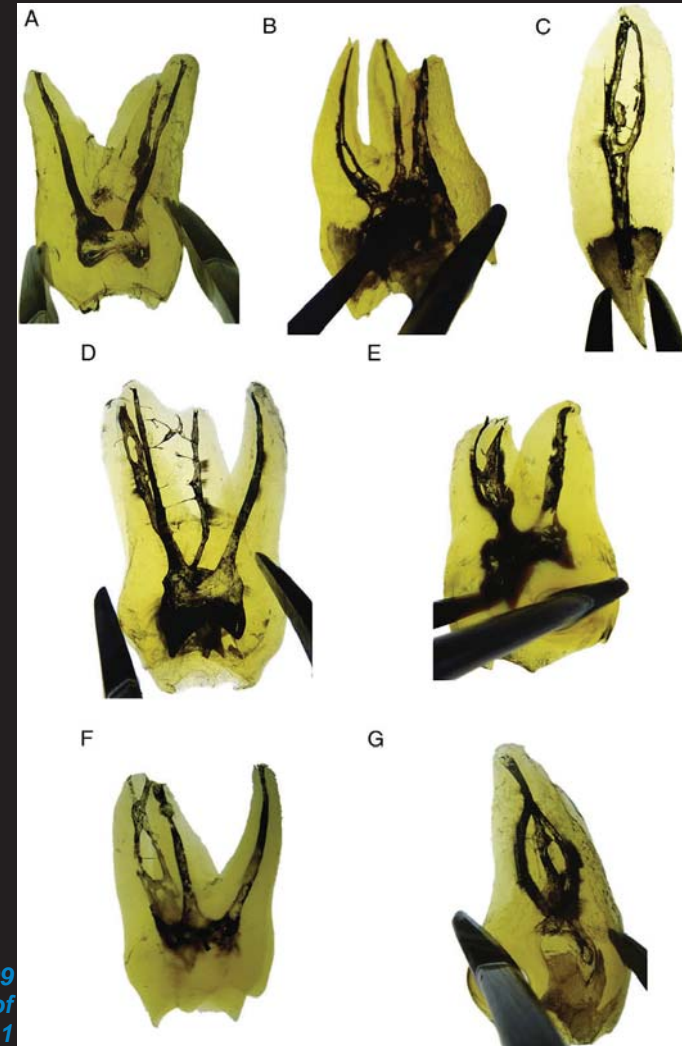
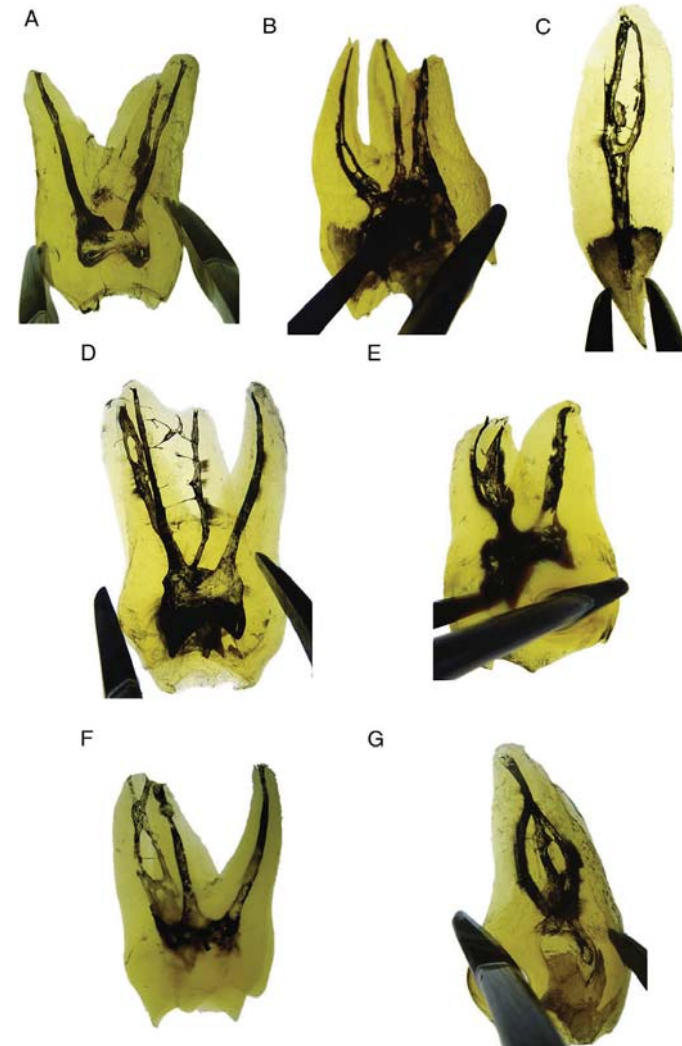


TABLE 3. Number and percentage of lateral canals and apical deltas

	No. of roots	No. of canals	Lateral canals	Apical deltas
Central incisors	71	74	24 (32.4)	9 (12.2)
Lateral incisors	70	72	32 (44.4)	28 (38.9)
Canines	65	80	30 (37.5)	45 (56.3)
First premolars	95	178	92 (51.7)	52 (29.2)
Second premolars	65	112	77 (68.8)	49 (43.8)
MBR of first molars	45	53	19 (35.8)	31 (58.5)
DBR of first molars	45	48	9 (18.8)	29 (60.4)
PR of first molars	45	45	10 (22.2)	6 (13.3)
MBR of second molars	50	57	20 (35.1)	29 (50.9)
DBR of second molars	50	51	7 (13.7)	20 (39.2)
PR of second molars	50	50	15 (30.0)	30 (60.0)
MBR of third molars	24	31	13 (41.9)	25 (80.6)
DBR of third molars	24	24	9 (37.5)	20 (83.3)
PR of third molars	24	24	6 (25.0)	4 (16.7)
FR of third molars	19	28	17 (60.7)	10 (35.7)

MBR, mesiobuccal root; DBR, distobuccal root; PR, palatal root; FR, fused root.



Clinical Standpoint

A. Radiographs

B. Apex locators

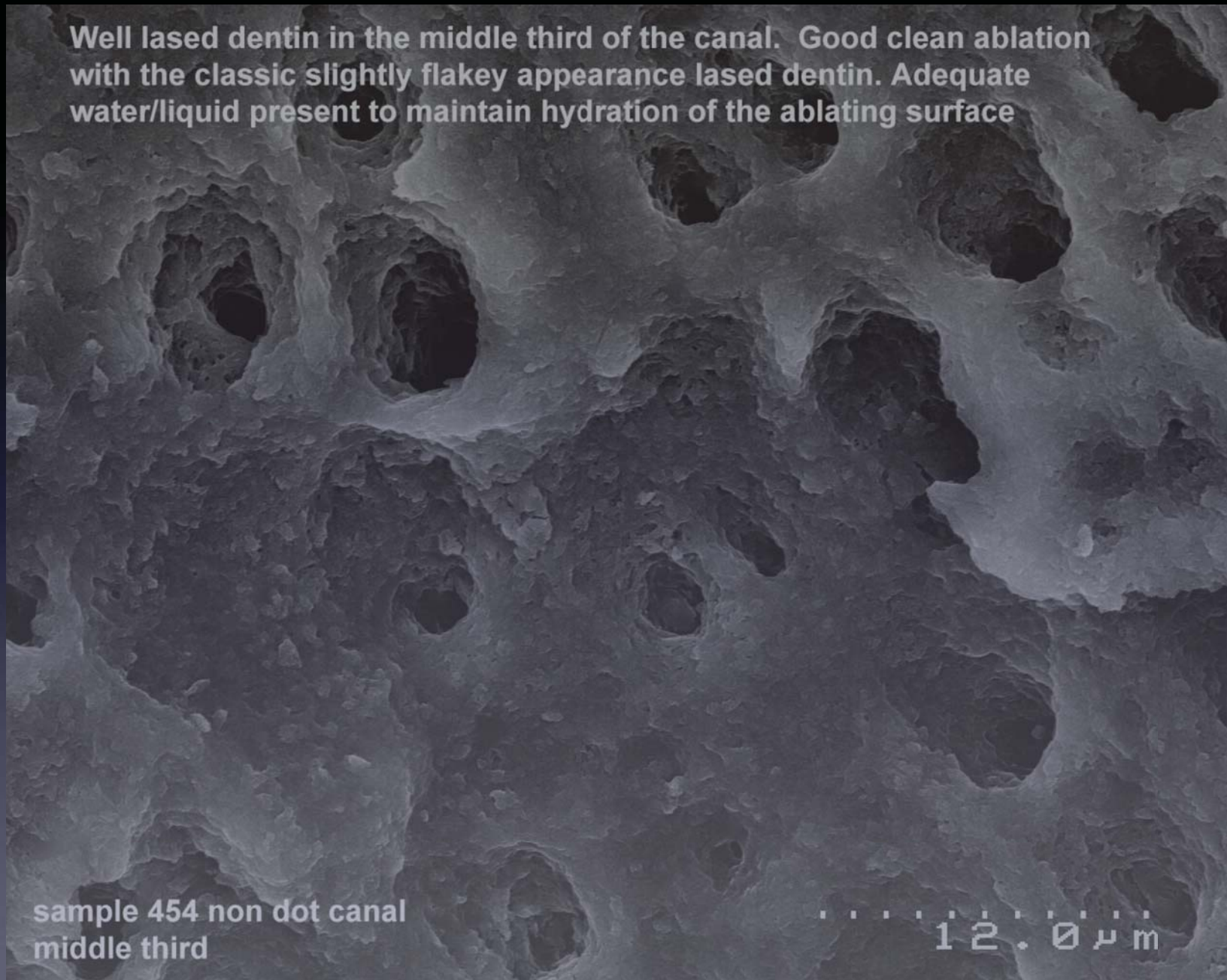
- Current accuracy of apex locators are listed at 95%
- Variation between these two can be as much as 0.2 mm to 3.8mm

There is no current clinical method to determine the precise location of the foramen with 100% certainty.

▣▶ the only clinical way to assure **long term endodontic success** is to incorporate a cleansing methodology that logically, efficiently and successfully **debrides** and renders **inactive** any bio-organisms within the canal system.

LASER ASSISTED DENTISTRY brings new level of efficacy to endodontics

Well lased dentin in the middle third of the canal. Good clean ablation with the classic slightly flakey appearance lased dentin. Adequate water/liquid present to maintain hydration of the ablating surface



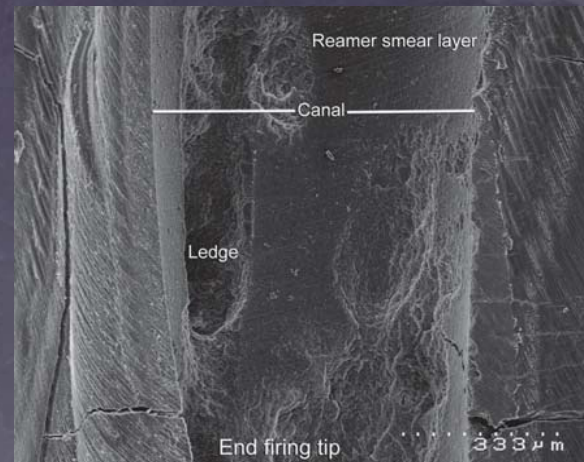
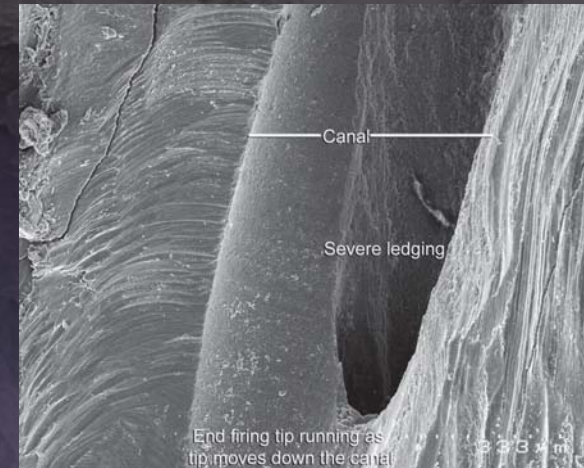
sample 454 non dot canal
middle third

12.0 μm

Original Laser Endo w. Er:YAG

- **▣▣▣▣ end firing tips**
- ***careful technique***
- **▣▣▣▣ 3 potential problems :**

- 1. Ledging***
- 2. Transportation***
- 3. Apical perforation***



A scanning electron micrograph (SEM) showing a cross-section of a root canal. The canal is illuminated with a bright green laser light, highlighting the internal structure and the surrounding dentin. The text "TwinLight laser assisted endodontics" is overlaid in the center of the image.

TwinLight
laser
assisted
endodontics

A microscopic view of a tooth root cross-section, showing the internal pulp chamber and root canal. The root canal is filled with a light-colored material, likely a root canal filling resin, and is surrounded by a dark, dense layer of dentin. The text "TwinLight Endodontic Treatment" is overlaid in the center of the image.

TwinLight Endodontic Treatment

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chemo-mech. standard prep

bactericidal effect of rinsings is modest &
by high surface tension ...

... mechanical prep of lat. tubuli et al.
& complete smear layer removal not guaranteed

laser assisted endo - prep

not anymore one wavelenght involved ...

TwinLight Endodontic Treatment

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⇒ excellent ***combination***
of **2** *complementary* crystalline laser sources

Nd:YAG & Er:YAG

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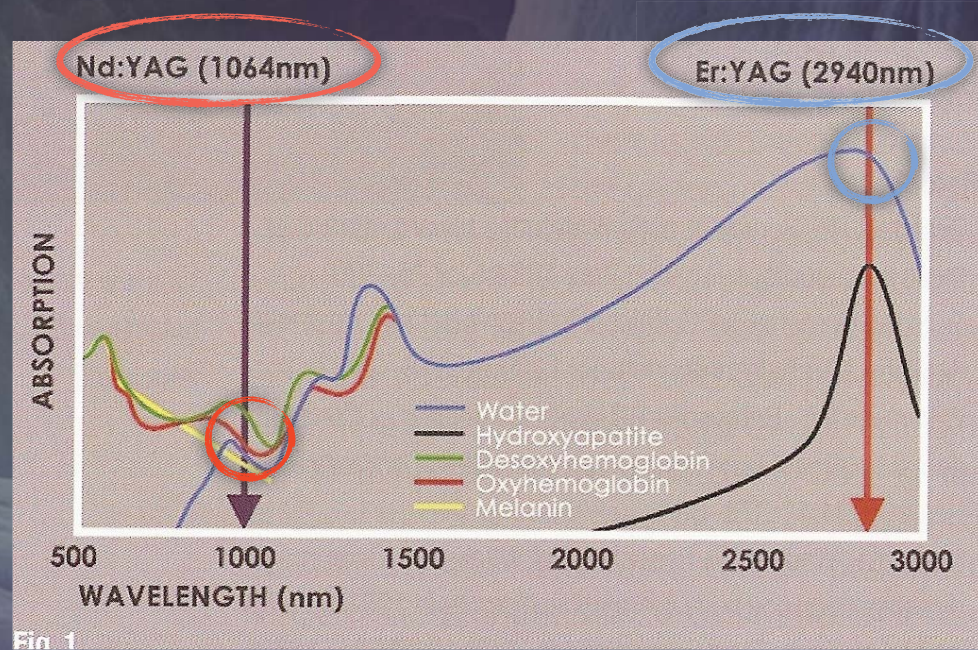


Fig 1

TwinLight Endodontic Treatment

Nd:YAG @ 1'064nm & **Er:YAG @ 2'940nm**

gold standard

**most efficient wavelength for
decontamination**

thermal pulsing disinfection
in the bacteria's immediate
microenvironnement till

1'000 µm lateral penetration

gold standard

**extremely high absorption
in water & chem. rinsings**

cleansing **mechanical** photo-acoustic effect
inside the root canal system:

complete absorption into the rinsing

shockwaves inside the solution

**complete mecanical
cleaning & debriding**

A microscopic view of a root canal during laser treatment. The canal is dark, and the surrounding dentin is light-colored with a fibrous texture. The text is overlaid on the image in white and light blue colors.

3 steps
TwinLight Endodontic Treatment

Er:YAG @ 2'940nm

step 1

Er:YAG @ 2'940nm

step 2

Nd:YAG @ 1'064nm

step 3

3 steps

TwinLight Endodontic Treatment

Er:YAG @ 2'940nm

selective & pressure-free
removal of hard tissue with
free access to the pulp
& reduced bact. spread into deeper layers
and into the body system

Er:YAG @ 2'940nm

photo-acoustic
cleaning & debriding
of the root canal system

Preciso & NaCl @ 20-65mJ; 15-25HZ
PIPS & EDTA @ 10-20mJ; 10-50 Hz

Nd:YAG @ 1'064nm

as endo gold standard

THE deep decontamination

@ 1,5W; 15 Hz by 200 µm

& 1'000 µm lateral penetration

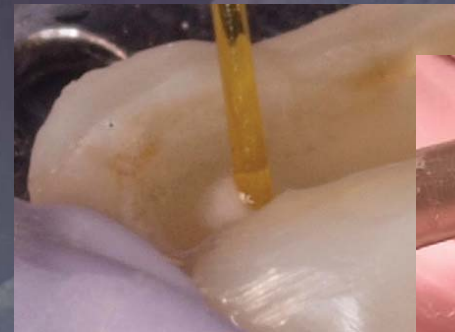
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Nd:YAG @ 1'064nm



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Nd:YAG @ 1'064nm



**& biomodulation of the
& immune system
& biostimulation of the
fibroblasts !!**

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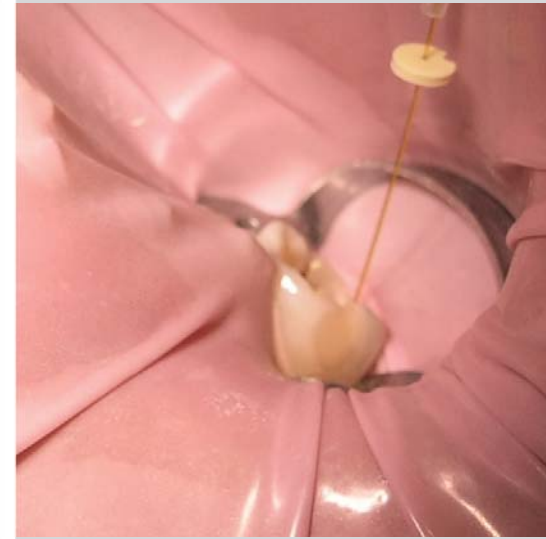
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**access &
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Er:YAG

photomech.debridement



Nd:YAG

final decontamination

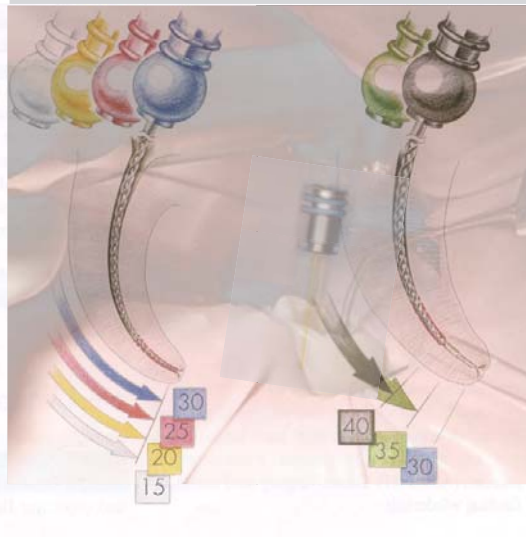
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200µm / ca. 2mm per 1"

final decontamination

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courtesy of Dr. Thorsten Wegner

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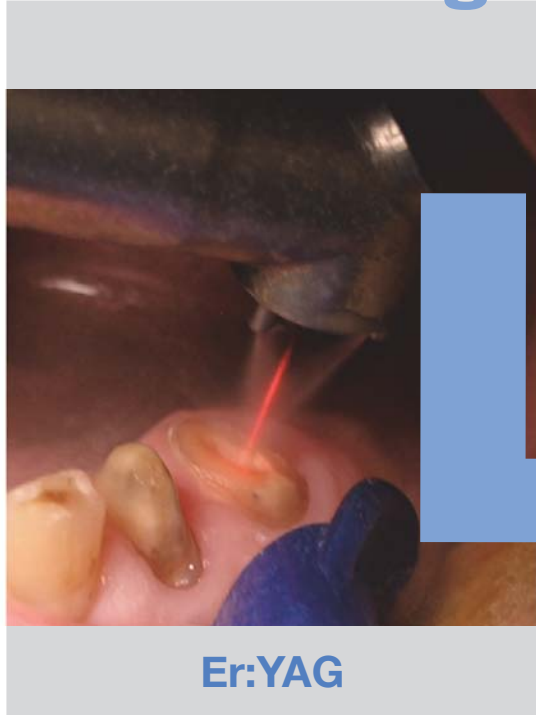
A 3D topographical map of a mountain range, rendered in shades of blue and green. The terrain is rugged with various peaks and valleys. Overlaid on the map is the acronym 'LAI' in large, bold, blue capital letters.

LAI

„ *Laser Activated Irrigation* “

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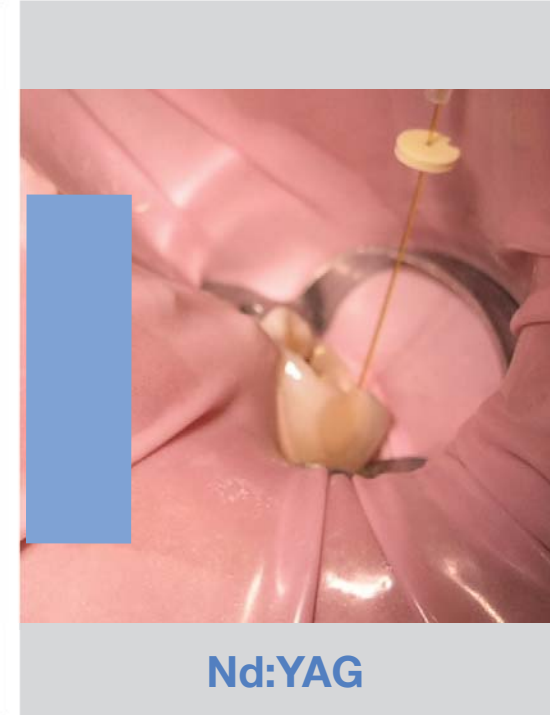
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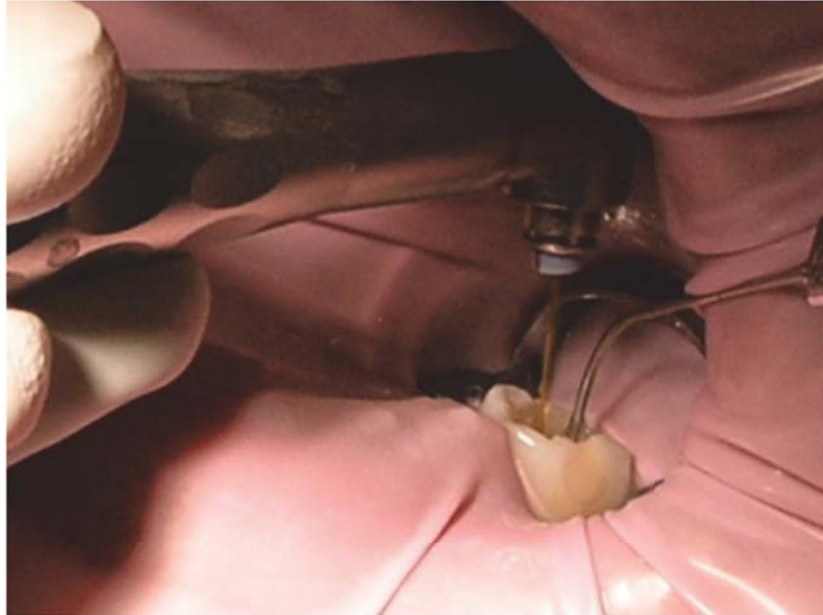
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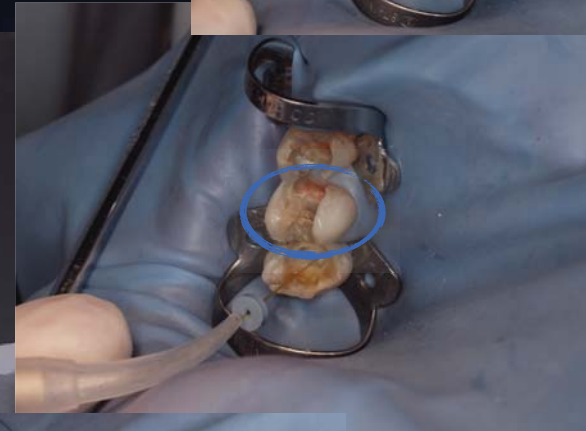
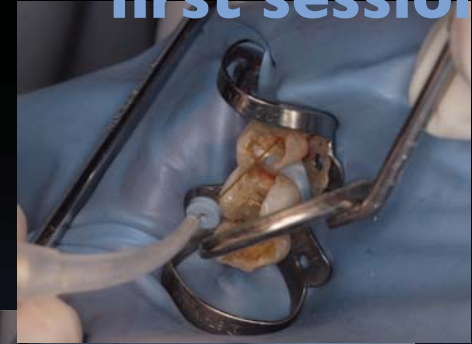
Laser Activated Irrigation with Er:YAG

removal of **smear layer**, exposition of the tubuli
& primary **decontamination** till approx. **400 μ m**

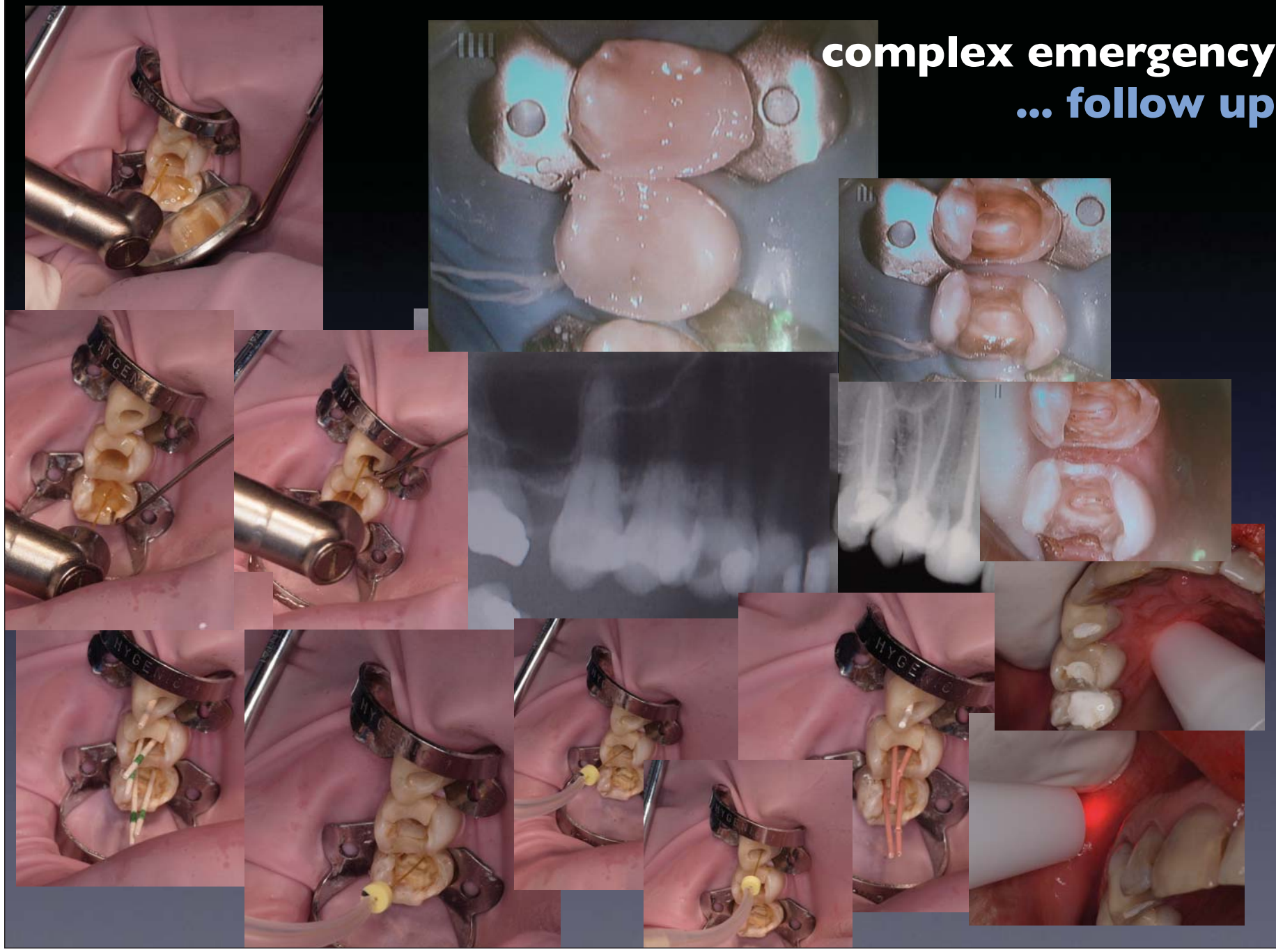
& **biostimulation (Fibroblasts)**

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first session

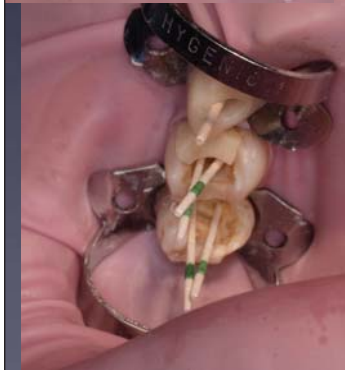
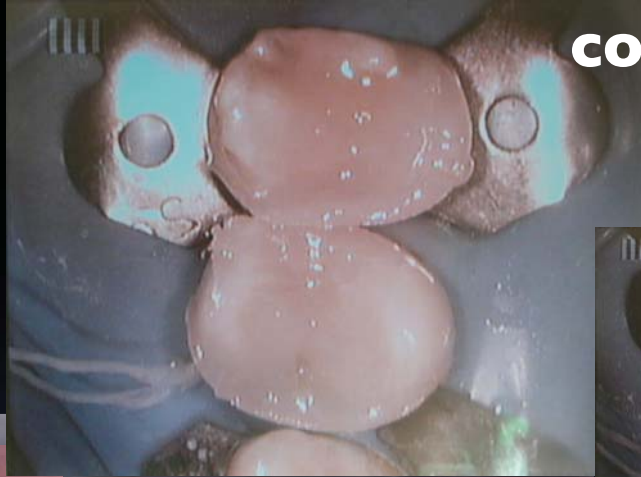
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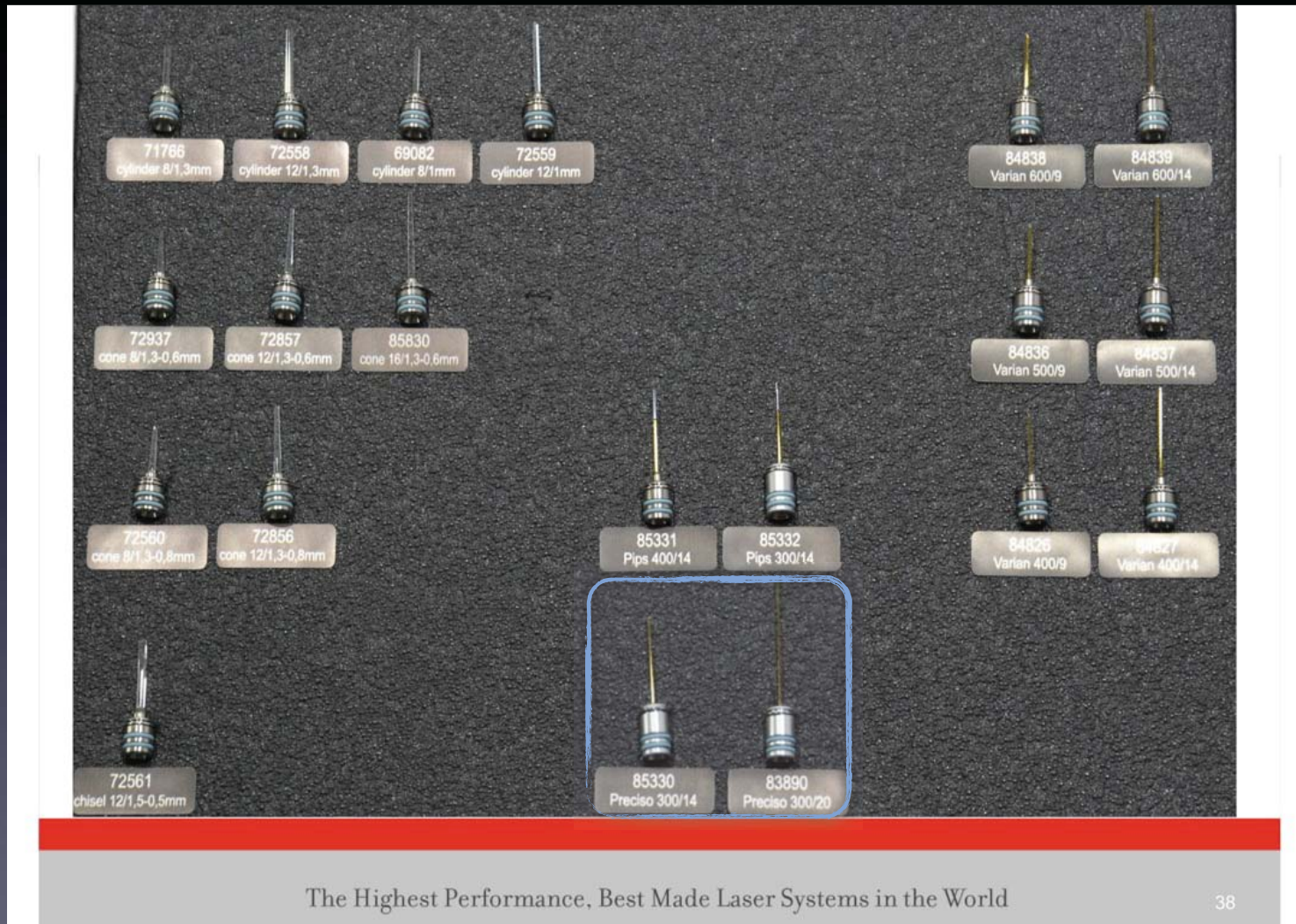
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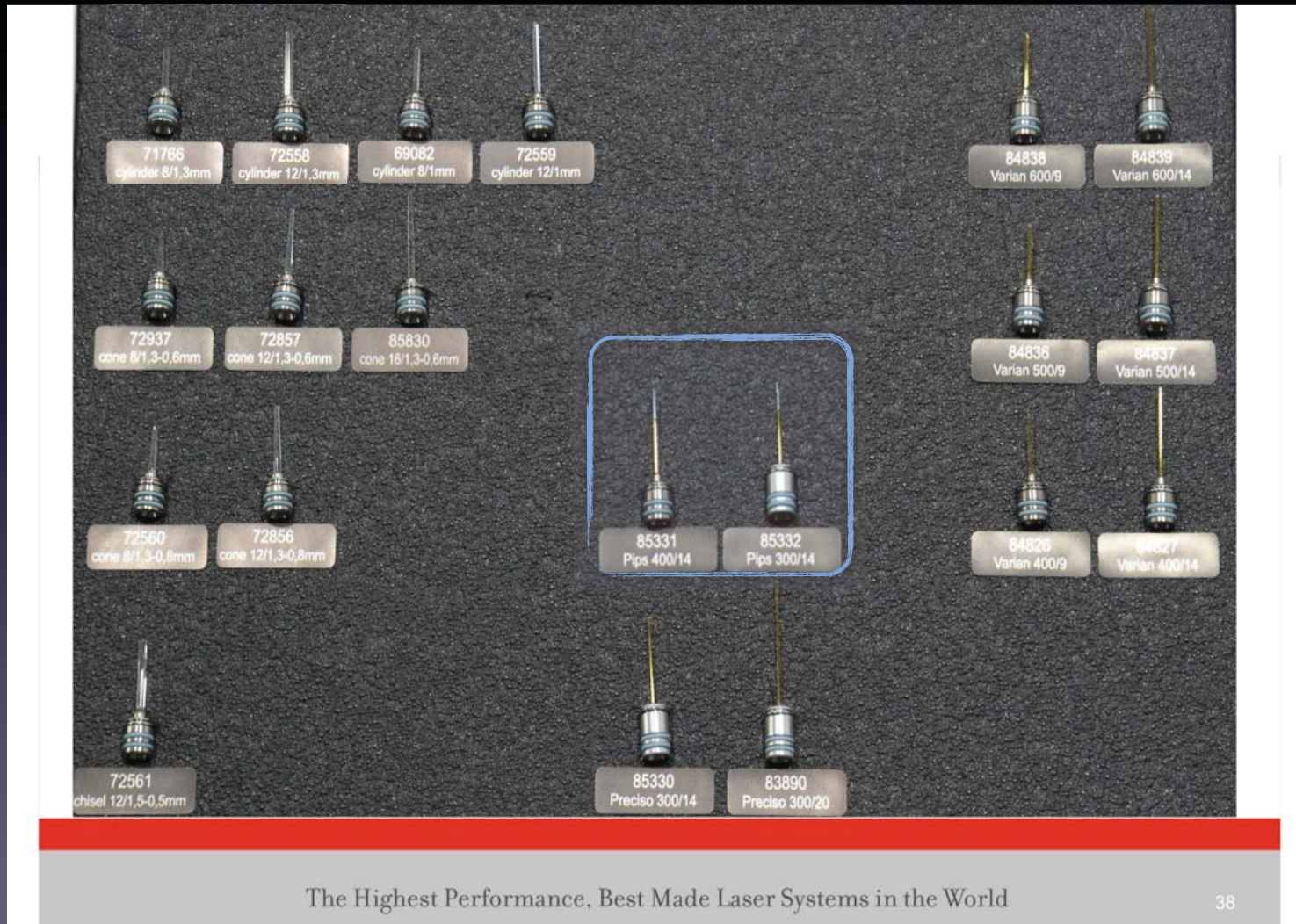


Er:YAG fiber tips



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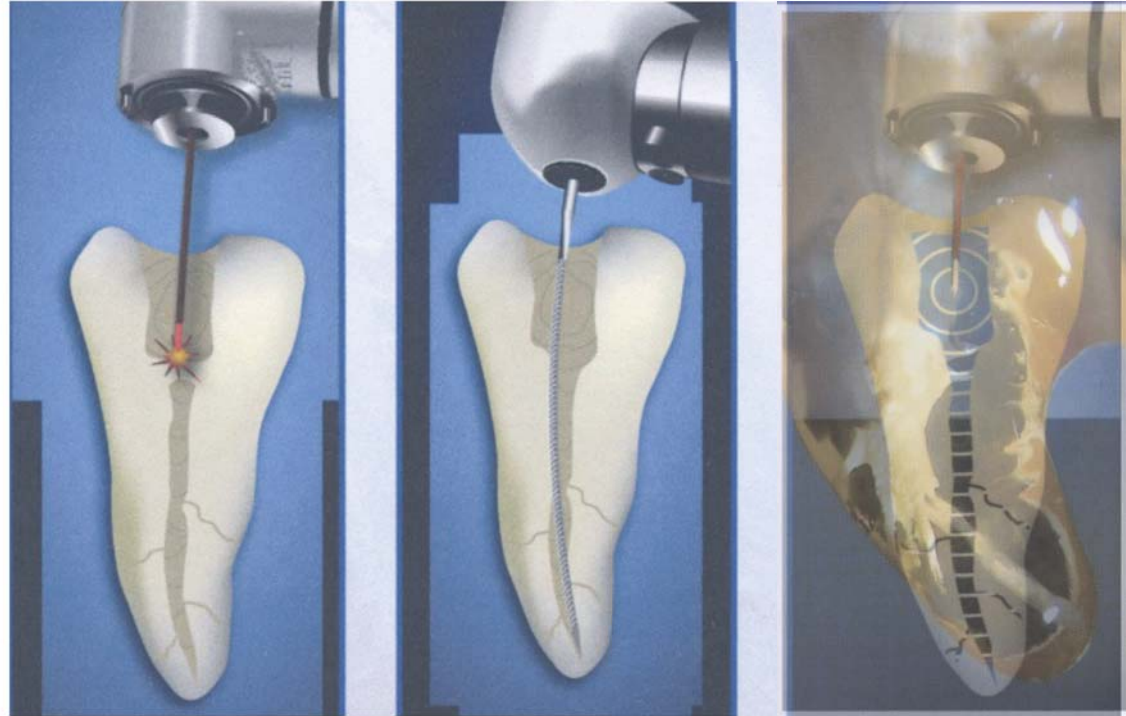
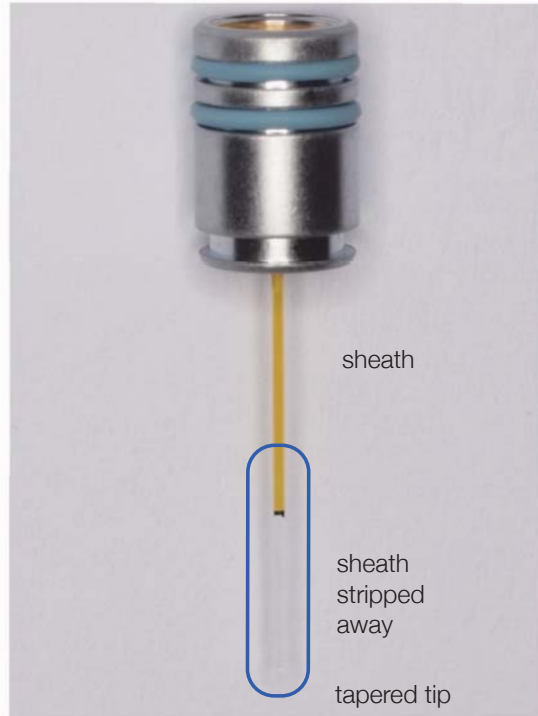
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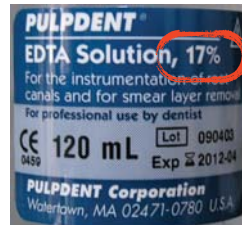
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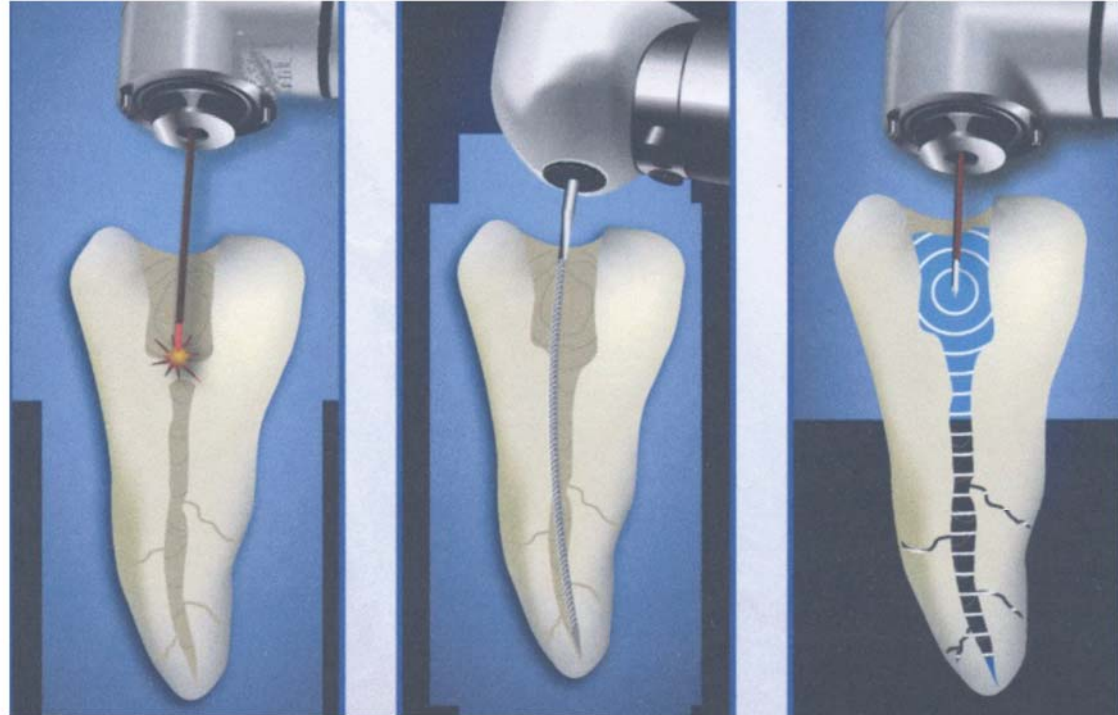
Procedure :

- pulp & root opening w. Er:YAG
- root prep
- PIPS in action & EDTA 15%
- rinsing & drying



Photon Induced Photoacoustic Streaming

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20mJ
15Hz
SSP/50 μ s
seq. 20"

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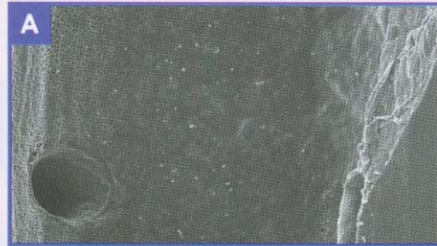
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- PIPS in action & EDTA 15%
- rinsing & drying
- final decontamination w. Nd:YAG**

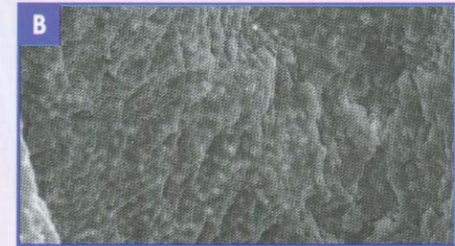
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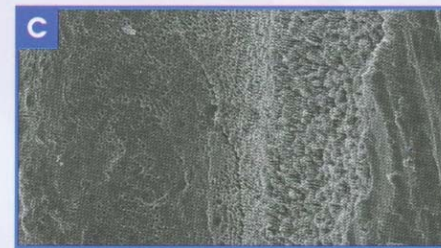
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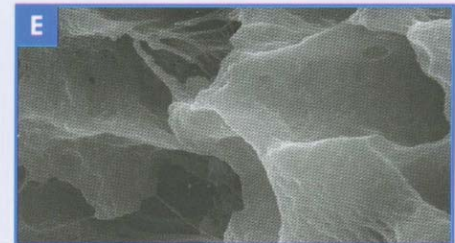
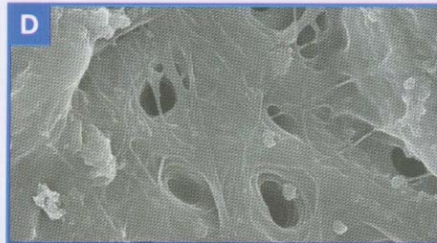
Open dentinal tubules with minimal smear layer



Clean dentinal canal walls



D-E. Canal wall collagen fibers and internal hydroxyapatite matrices intact and visible

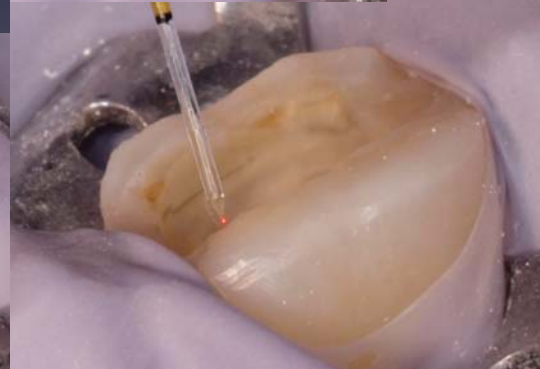
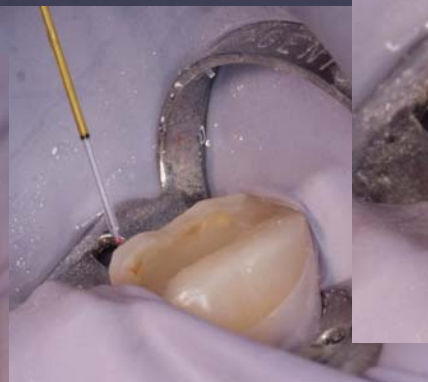
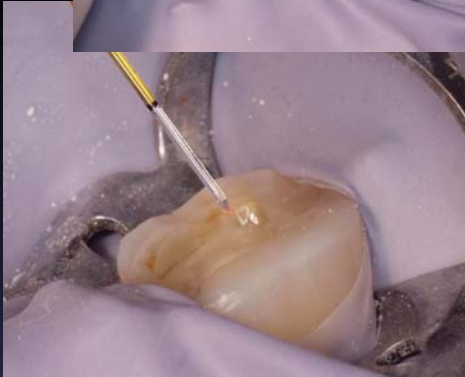


Procedure :

- a. pulp & root opening w. Er:YAG
- b. root prep
- c. PIPS in action & EDTA 15%-17%
- d. rinsing & drying
- e. Nd:YAG Dekontamination

PIPS in office

chemodebridging



Laser assisted endo w. Er:YAG

15Hz, 20mj, 50 μ s, no W/L for Fidelis AT
12-15Hz, 40mj, 100 μ s, no W/L for Fidelis III plus

✓ **access** by office protocol / Er:YAG

✓ Measurement of the **working length** via apex locator
& File .06, .08 or .010mm & EDTA Gel



Laser assisted endo w. Er:YAG

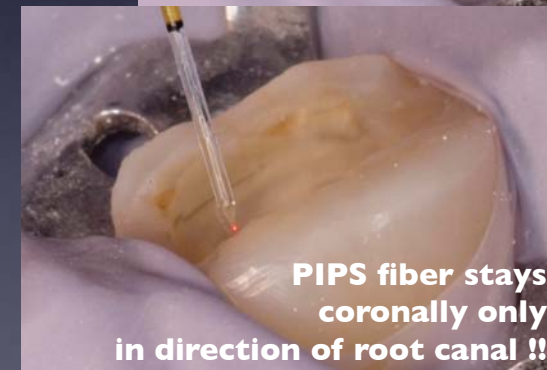
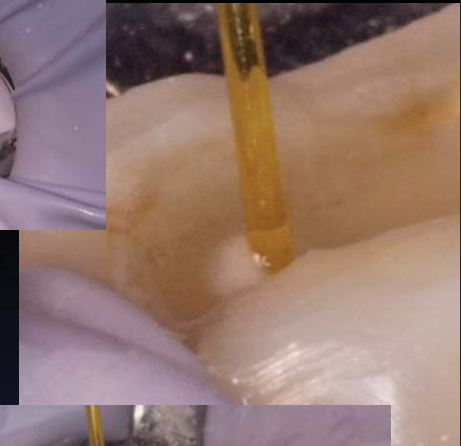
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- rinsing w. NaCl & File #10
 - PIPS & NaCl/EDTA 20"
 - rinsing w. NaCl & File #15
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- ... till file #25, following crown down :-)



PIPS fiber stays
coronally only
in direction of root canal !!

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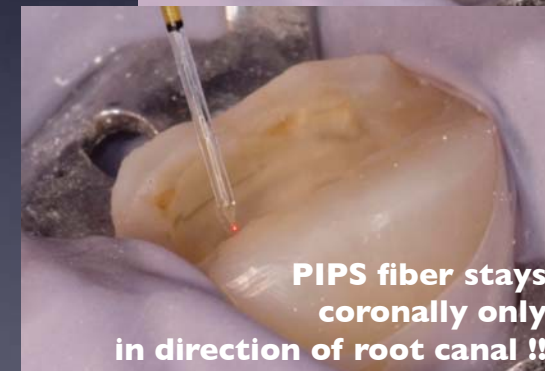
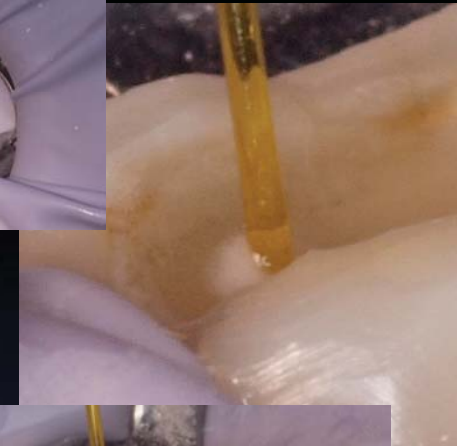
- PIPS & NaCl/EDTA 20"

... till file #25, following **crown down** :-)

✓ **EDTA** rinsing till covering the coronal part, irradiation with PIPS20" @ 15Hz, 20mj, 50µs without w/a

✓ after EDTA, **rinsing w. NaCl** @ same settings 3-4x min. till the liquid appears clear

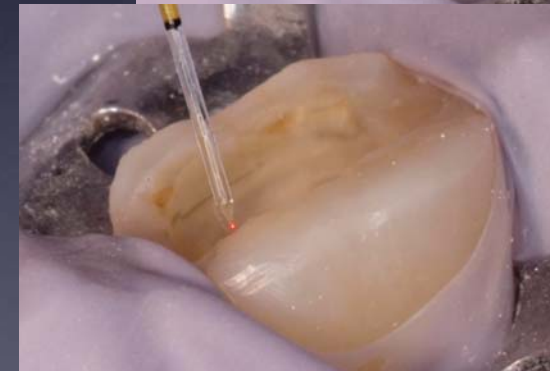
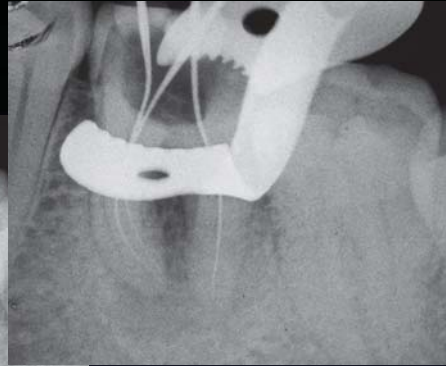
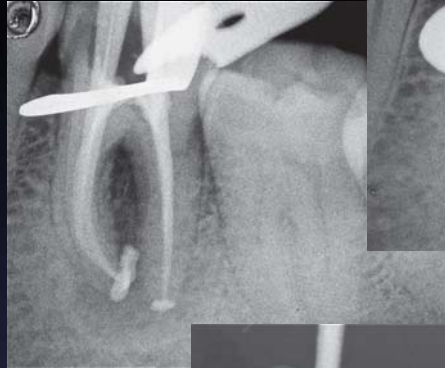
✓ **root canal filling** by office protocol



PIPS fiber stays coronally only in direction of root canal !!

Laser Assisted Endo mit Er:YAG

15Hz, 20mJ, 50µs, ohne W/L



Laser Assisted Endo mit Er:YAG

15Hz, 20mj, 50µs, ohne W/L



*corso endo/pips
Prof. Giovanni Olivi
Roma, 1 aprile 2011*

PIPS

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Procedure :

- a. pulp & root opening w. Er:YAG
- b. root prep
- c. PIPS in action & EDTA 15%
- d. rinsing & drying
- e. final decontamination w. Nd:YAG





**PIPS in
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PIPS in office

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**photo-
decontamination**

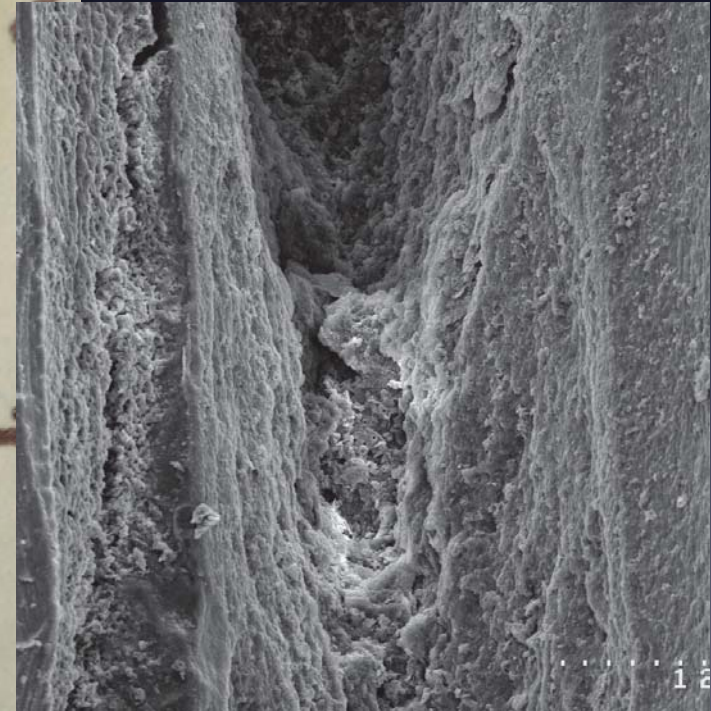




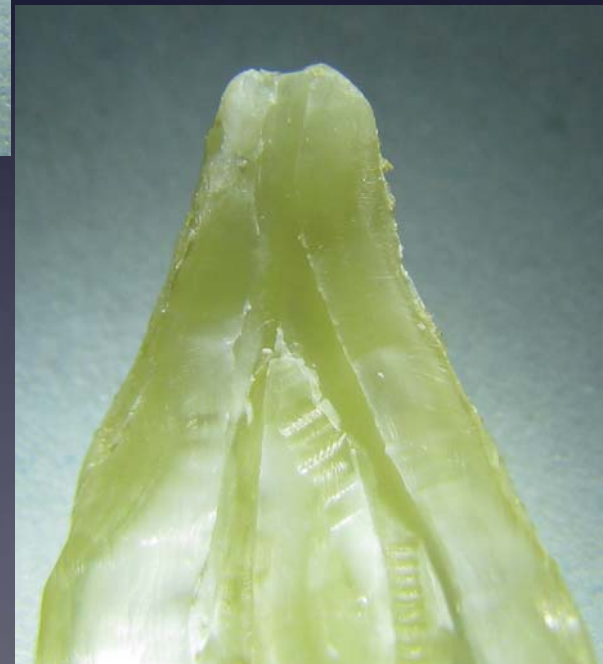
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Photo Thermal Ablation Protocol



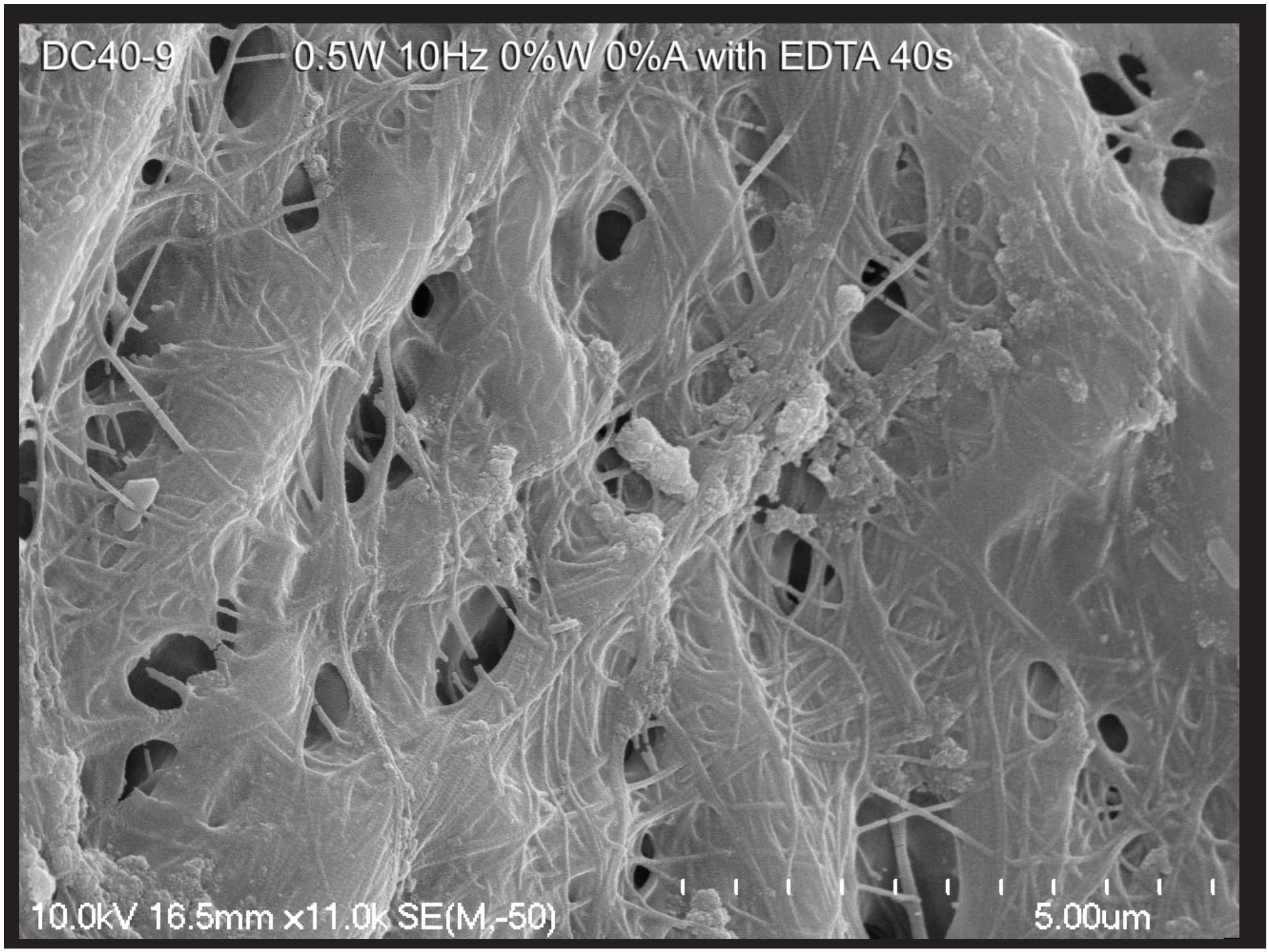
PIPS cleans effectively and debrides without thermal effect



DC40-9 0.5W 10Hz 0%W 0%A with EDTA 40s

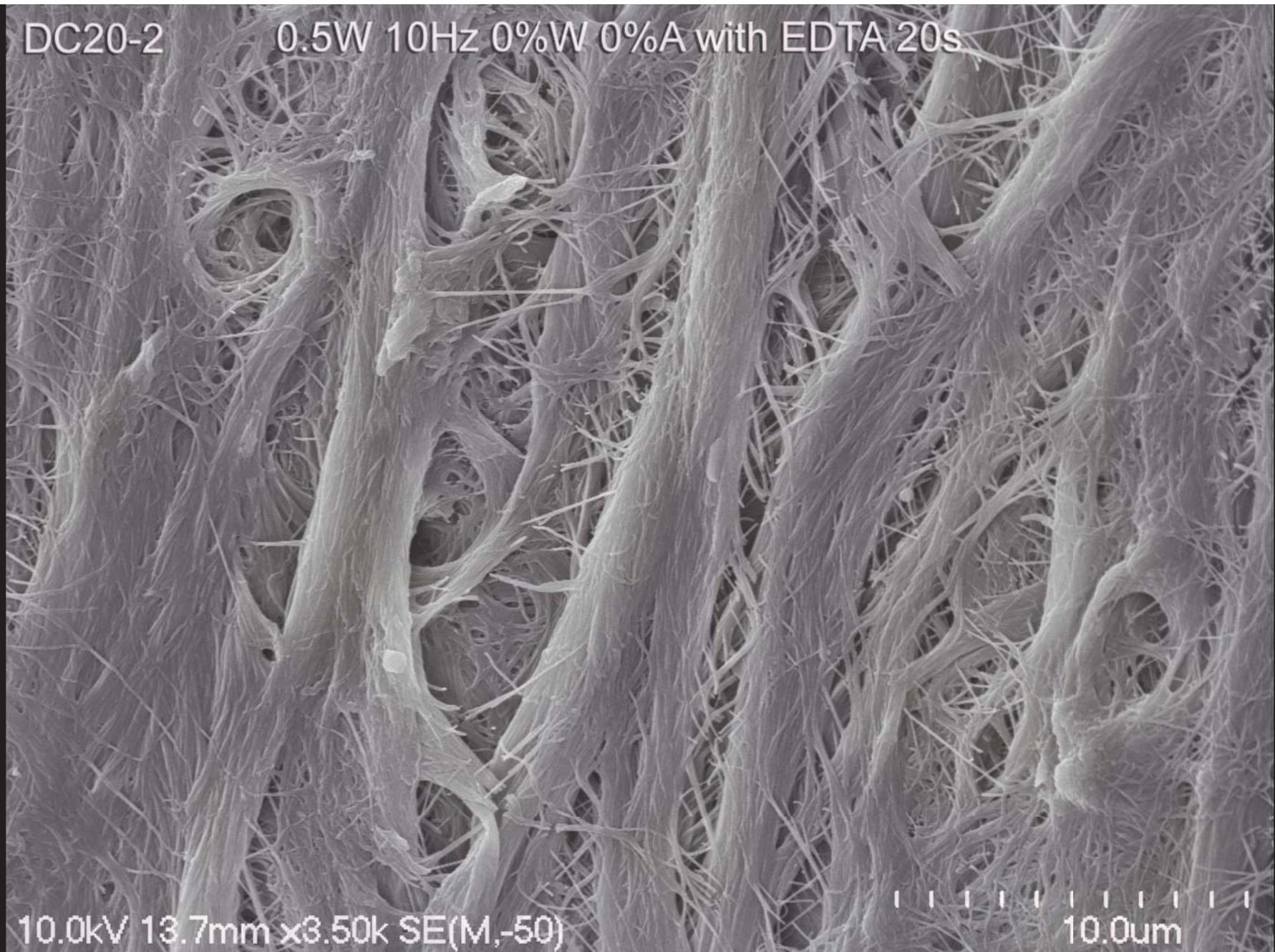
10.0kV 16.5mm x11.0k SE(M,-50)

5.00um



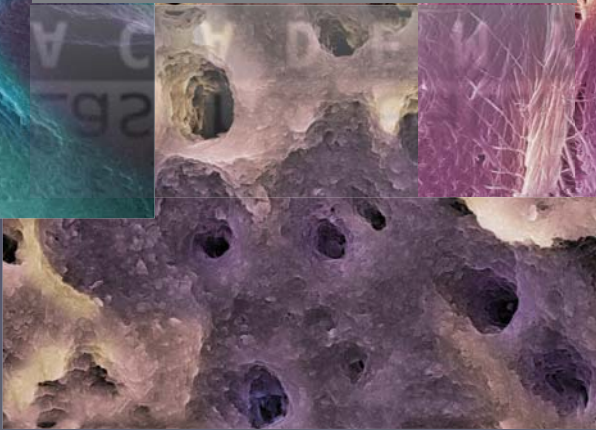
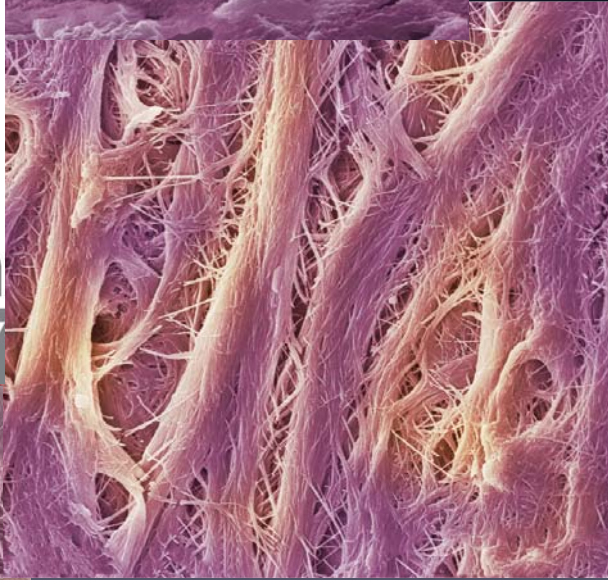
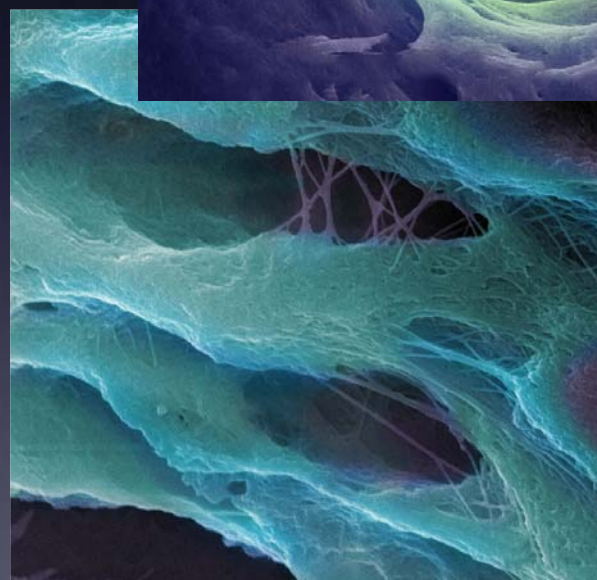
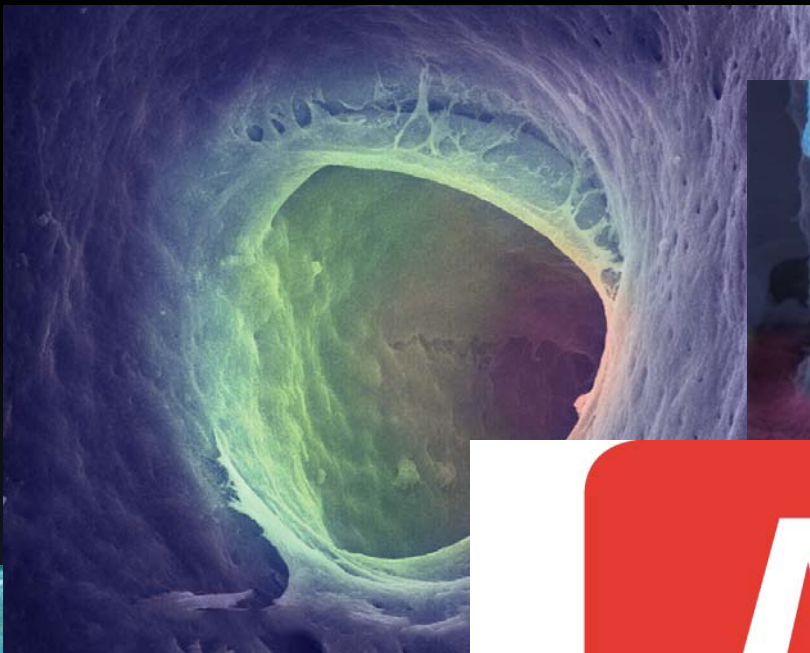
DC20-2

0.5W 10Hz 0%W 0%A with EDTA 20s



10.0kV 13.7mm x3.50k SE(M,-50)

10.0um

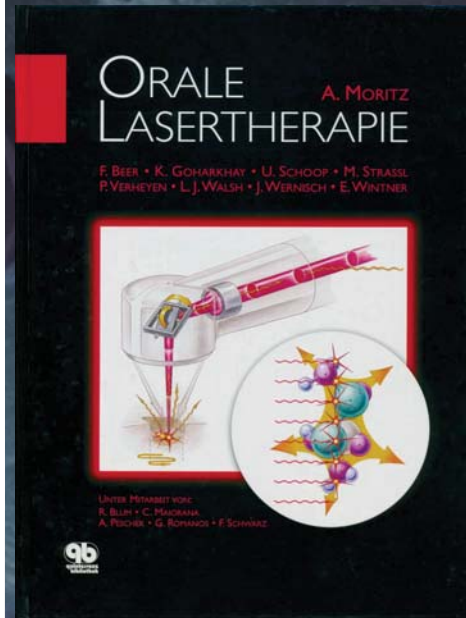




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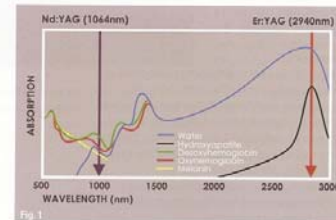


Fig. 1 Absorption coefficient in human tissues, as a function of laser wavelength. The absorption coefficient is at a minimum with the Nd:YAG laser wavelength (1,064 µm), and at the maximum with the Er:YAG laser wavelength (2,940 µm).

Fig. 2 Removal of the debris and smear layer from the root canal walls using the Er:YAG laser. The treatment is accompanied by collateral irrigation with saline solution.

Fig. 3 Deep decontamination with the Nd:YAG laser (3-5 times per session).



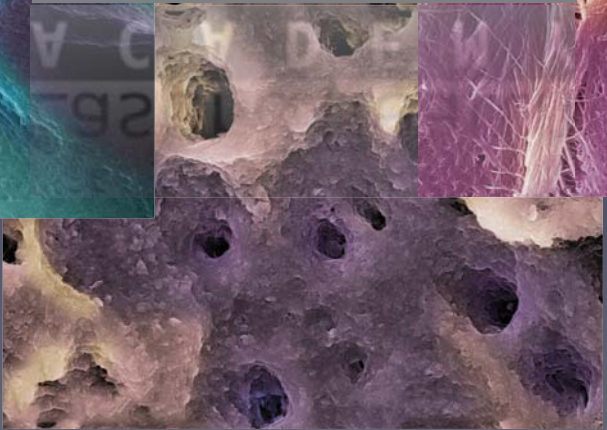
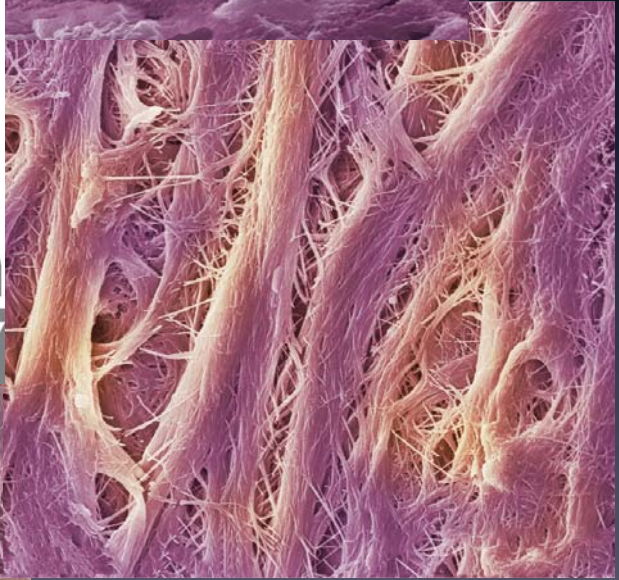
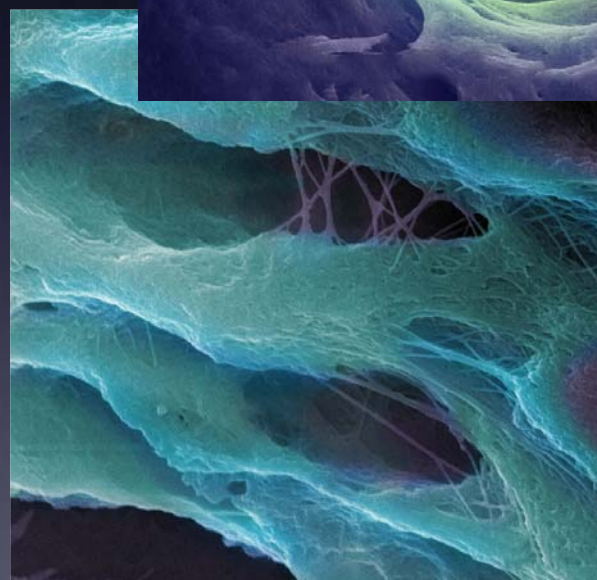
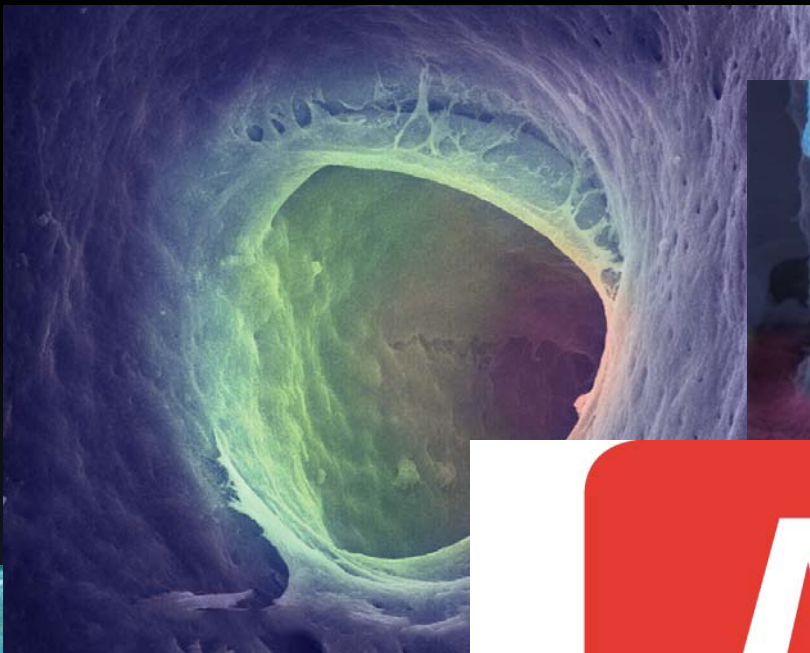
tion of side canals and other branches, as well as the complete removal of the smear layer, are impossible using classical means.

Over the past twenty years many types of laser sources have been studied and used as a means to improve upon the classical dental treatments.¹⁻⁴ No single "universal" laser source has been found that could be effectively and safely used for every dental procedure. Instead, as studies have demonstrated, each of the laser-assisted procedures should be performed with a laser that produces laser pulses at a wavelength that is known to be most effective for that particular procedure. In addition, many treatments would benefit immensely if they were performed with a succession or simultaneously using a multiplicity of laser sources. Of course, having a large number of laser sources in a practice would be impractical and very expensive. For this reason, the TwinLight™ treatment concept has been developed by Fotona d.d., based on the scientific understanding and clinical experience that for most laser-assisted treatments there exists an optimal combination of two basic complementary crystal laser sources, namely the Nd:YAG and the Er:YAG laser sources. The Nd:YAG laser wavelength (1,064 nm) is the most versatile and most deeply penetrating laser wavelength, while the Er:YAG laser wavelength (2,940 nm) is the wavelength with the highest absorption in human tissues (Fig. 1).

The use of the TwinLight™ laser-treatment concept in the field of endodontics was recently introduced by Dr Norbert Gutknecht.⁵

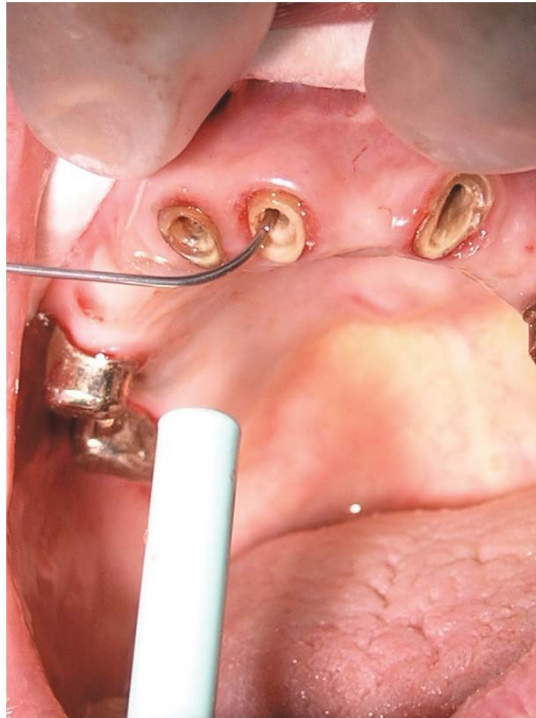
The Nd:YAG laser wavelength in endodontics

For addressing the problem of deeply lying bacteria, lasers with a deep penetration into dentin, and preferably with a high peak-pulse power, are now being routinely used for disinfecting root canal systems.⁶⁻¹¹ As a result of their capability to spread and



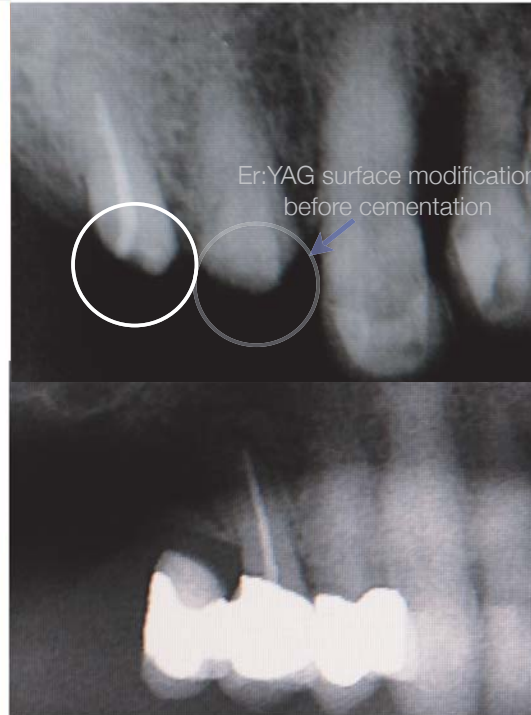


**... going even more
out of the box ...**



root decontamination after temporaries & **sulcus troughing**
before definitive cementation of retentive elements on root caps
integrated into hybrid removable prosthesis

one session emergency case



root photodebridement & photodecontamination

sulcus troughing

before definitive cementation of a pin on tooth 15

reconstruction & recementation of the bridge as a short term solution



active fistula

from a periapical pathology 25 in the area buccala 26

The background features a complex, abstract pattern of wavy, organic shapes in shades of teal, blue, and purple. A prominent feature is a circular, mesh-like structure in the center, resembling a honeycomb or a network of interconnected lines. The overall effect is a textured, almost crystalline appearance.

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