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# Peri-implantitis의 regeneration therapy 증례 보고

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## ABSTRACT

### Use of Bovine-derived bone mineral (Bio-Oss Collagen®) in surgical treatment of peri-implantitis: A case report

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The aim of this study was to achieve healing of Peri-implantitis defects and hard tissue augmentation using a bovine-derived bone mineral on the defect site.

Two patients were treated with the surgical approach. With a full muco-periosteal flap elevation, the implant surfaces were exposed and granulation tissue removed around the implant and between the threads. Each surface of the contaminated implant was prepared with the air-abrasive device(PerioFlow®) for decontamination. Bovine-derived bone mineral(Bio-Oss collagen®) was then used to fill the defects and muco-periosteal flaps sutured to achieve transmucosal healing. Radiographs and clinical photographs were taken before and after 6 months of healing and an estimate of bone fill was assessed. Within the limits of the present case report, a surgical approach in treatment of peri-implantitis defects using a collagen form of bovine bone mineral was visited. Although limited, the two cases showed the stability and biocompatibility of a bovine-derived bone mineral and effectiveness of air-abrasive device(PerioFlow®) as a decontamination method.

Key words : Implantitis, dental implant, bone regeneration, bone substitute, bovine-derived xenograft

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## I. Introduction

Dental implants are considered a good treatment option as an alternative to conventional reconstruction methods. In recent years, restoration with a dental

implant has become one of the common treatment options<sup>1)</sup>. Because of the excellent long term results, a topic concerning survival rates of dental implants is not as intriguing as it once used to be. Also, clinicians still focused on the

technical aspects of implant surgery and prosthetic make-up, have somewhat overlooked the importance of maintenance of the implant and the surrounding tissue.

The prevalence of chronic inflammation of soft and hard tissues neighboring implants has been reported at a rate of 8.6 to 9.7% after 5years<sup>2, 3)</sup>. The pathological conditions which are defined as peri-implant mucositis and peri-implantitis are considered one of the major complications for the dental implant<sup>3)</sup>.

The clinical features of peri-implantitis are similar to a chronic periodontal inflammation. Gingival bleeding, swelling and supporting bone loss, as well as bacterial etiology are observed similarities which are reported in the literature<sup>4, 5)</sup>. Thus, similar to periodontitis, peri-implant probing depth(PPD) and radiographic change around the implant fixture are the most common parameters to diagnose peri-implantitis and these parameters are in actual use as an evaluation method of the treatment<sup>6)</sup>.

Treatment of peri-implantitis has been reported in a variety of ways, but each therapeutic indication or outcome still lacks sufficient evidence. Schwarz defined the classification of bone defects following peri-implantitis and suggested that the treatment method to be chosen should depend on the classification<sup>7)</sup>. Depending on the configuration, whether it be an intrabony or a supracrestal defect, the approach should be different. In treating

intrabony defects, access surgery may lead to a good response, but with low predictability. Therefore, in such instances as the circumferential defects with favorable intrabony components, regeneration therapy may be indicated to fill the intrabony components and eventually reduce the probing pocket depth around the implants.

In this study, 2 cases of peri-implantitis with a circumferential intrabony component and vertical bone loss have been introduced.

## II. Case

### Case 1.

After removal of prosthetics, the healing abutment was connected for surgical convenience(Fig 1, 2). The full-thickness flap was elevated around #37 implant fixture to access the peri-implant defect under anesthesia. The defects were classified as Class Ie and II type bone defects according to the classification by Schwarz<sup>7)</sup> (Fig 3).

After the granulation tissue was carefully removed, air-powder abrasives (PerioFlow<sup>®</sup>, EMS) were used for mechanical debridement and decontamination of the contaminated implant surface(Fig 4). The bone defect site was filled with a bovine-derived bone mineral containing collagen(Bio-Oss Collagen<sup>®</sup> Geistlich). This material has shown good maneuverability

and easier adaptability to provide a stable structural integrity that may be advantageous in treating hard to reach intrabony components. The surgical wound was completely covered and sutured to allow transmucosal healing of the

augmented implant sites(Fig 5). The sutures were removed 1 week after the surgery.

During the 4weeks after surgery, no sign of inflammation was observed on the surgical site and the radiographs exhibited

Case 1



Fig. 1. Pre-operative presentation of the implant with peri-implantitis in the mandibular left second molar position

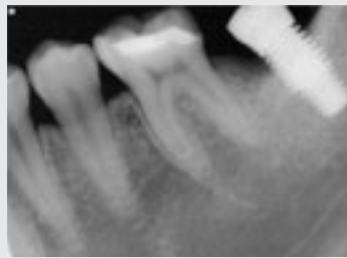


Fig. 2. Pre-operative periapical radiograph of the affected site. Note the marginal bone loss up to the third or fourth thread.



Fig. 3. The clinical presentation of the affected site after removing the inflammatory tissues following reflection of the flap. Note the circumferential bony defect surrounding the fixture.



Fig. 4. Application of bovine-derived xenograft with collagen in the circumferential bone defect.

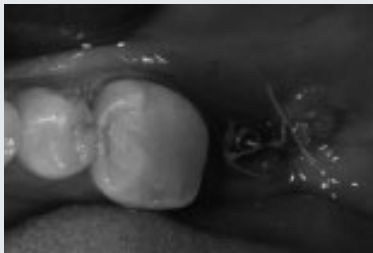


Fig. 5. Transmucosal healing following regenerative attempt to augment the defect created by the peri-implantitis lesions.



Fig. 6. Post-operative occlusal view at 4 weeks.



Fig. 7. Post-operative periapical radiograph at 4 weeks

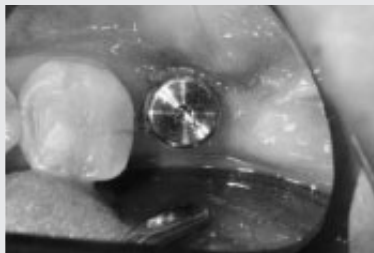


Fig. 8. Post-operative occlusal view at 6 months



Fig. 9. Post-operative periapical radiograph at 6 months. Note the bone fill that is maintained prior to re-connection of the prosthesis.

an uneventful healing with good space maintenance at the defect site(Fig 6, 7). Re-osseointegration and bone remodeling, although controversial, is expected around the exposed implant surface.

At 6months following treatment, bone remodeling and maintenance of the grafted bovine bone mineral is observed with stable soft tissue sealing(Fig 8, 9).

## Case 2

The patient presented swelling of the peri-implant mucosa and pus discharge

around the healing abutment(Fig 1, 2, 3). Under local anesthesia, a full thickness muco-periosteal flap was elevated for regeneration surgery. After the flap elevation, the sites showed a large circumferential-type bone defect with vertical bone loss(Fig 4).

As described above, the same debridement method was applied to remove the granulation tissue and decontamination of the contaminated implant surface(Fig 5). Bio-Oss Collagen® was selected to graft the defect site for the same reasons(Fig 6).

Immediately after surgery, there was

### Case 2

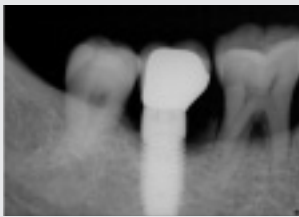


Fig. 1. Periapical radiograph taken at the time of prosthesis connection in the mandibular right second molar area. (2011.10.21)



Fig. 2. Pre-operative periapical radiograph at follow-up. Note the marginal bone loss around the affected implant. (2013.1.18)



Fig. 3. Clinical illustration of the affected site. Note the swelling and marginal redness with suppuration of the peri-implant mucosa.



Fig. 4. Full thickness muco-periosteal flap was elevated. Note the circumferential-type bony defect and granulation tissue around implant fixture.



Fig. 5. The affected site following thorough debridement and mechanical decontamination using the air-powder abrasive system (PerioFlow®, EMS).



Fig. 6. Bovine-derived xenograft material cut in half for easier adaptation (Bio-Oss Collagen®, Geistlich).

insufficient amount of soft tissue to achieve primary closure(Fig 7). The sutures were removed 10 days after the surgery, but some exposure of grafting material occurred(Fig 8). Although a dehiscence of the wound occurred with exposure of the grafting material at 4weeks following treatment, there was no infection sign or

'washout' of the grafting material(Fig 9). This may have resulted from using the xenograft with collagen with structural integrity. At 8 weeks(Fig 10, 11) and 4(Fig 12, 13), 6 months (Fig 14, 15) after treatment, bone fill is observed on the graft site in radiographs. Re-osseointegration may also be expected to some extent.

Case 2

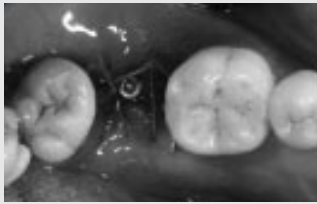


Fig. 7. Suture following augmentation surgery. A transmucosal healing was attempted.



Fig. 8. Post-operative occlusal view at 4 weeks. Note the marginal gap in the mesial side creating a direct communicating passage to the oral cavity increasing susceptibility for bacterial infection.



Fig. 9. Post-operative periapical radiograph at 4 weeks.



Fig. 10. Panoramic radiograph after 8 weeks.



Fig. 11. Post-operative periapical radiograph at 8 weeks. Note the slight decrease in height of the grafted biomaterial that was not protected indirectly suggesting the need for using a resorbable barrier membrane for protection of the wound.



Fig. 12. Soft tissue stability observed at 4 months despite the oral communication at 4 weeks.



Fig. 13. Bone remodeling observed after 4 months of surgery.



Fig. 14. Post-operative periapical radiograph at 6 months.

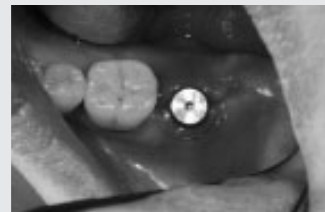


Fig. 15. Post-operative occlusal view at 6 months.

### III. Discussion

Two peri-implantitis cases with associated intrabony components were successfully treated with the guided bone regeneration technique using a bovine-derived bone graft. After 6 months, radiographs showed a stable bone fill at the grafting site with the resolution of the inflammation around the implant fixture.

Re-osseointegration on the previously contaminated implant surface that has been exposed to bacterial plaque biofilm is still controversial. Bacterial contamination of the implant surface, which affects the surface energy, as well as the alteration of surface characteristics can have negative effects on tissue regeneration.

To resolve this problem, the efficient decontamination method has been studied in many ways in recent years. Several therapeutic approaches were identified such as mechanical treatment, chemical agent, photodynamic treatment, and laser applications. Mechanical debridement aims to remove the biofilm of surface by means of titanium or plastic cures, air-powder abrasive system, and ultrasonic devices. Anti-infective treatments aim to detoxify the implant surface by chemical agents, such as with chlorhexidine, tetracycline, metronidazole, and citric acid. Recently, CO<sub>2</sub> or Er:YAG laser has been used to sterilize the surface without causing

damage or alteration<sup>8, 9)</sup>. Beneficial effects of laser therapy on peri-implantitis have been shown, but this approach needs to be further evaluated.

Air-powder abrasive technique shows improved results and effectiveness compared to the other mechanical methods<sup>10)</sup>. In a 5-year long-term study, the air-powder abrasive devices compared to treatment using the laser has been reported to achieve good treatment results<sup>11)</sup>. In the study of a comparison between the air-powder abrasive technique and Er:YAG laser, the clinical parameter such as bleeding on probing, probing pocket depth around the implant was improved in both groups, but with limited differences. At 6 months, the decrease in suppuration was significant in both treatment groups, but with no group difference in the change of suppuration between baseline and at 6 months after treatment<sup>12)</sup>.

Er:YAG laser shows high-BIC compared to other methods in some studies evaluating re-osseointegration of previously contaminated surfaces<sup>13)</sup>. However, the air-powder abrasive device with a high efficiency in cleaning the surface with a minimum damage to the surface is also recommended in the treatment of peri-implantitis.

It has been suggested that the establishment of an implant surface conducive to bone formation is a prerequisite for successful regenerative treatment of peri-implantitis<sup>14)</sup>. In various studies, the

recovery of biocompatibility of the implant surface is required, but there is no definitive gold standard yet. At the 3rd ITI Consensus Conference in 2003, there was no statistically significant difference among the decontamination methods. Thus, recent studies focus on the importance of selecting the right surgical method rather than the methods of decontamination.

As described above, surgical approach for the treatment of peri-implantitis has several advantages compared to the non-surgical treatment. Muco-periosteal flap elevation provides visibility and surgical accessibility to underlying bone and defect site. The stabilization of the defect with a bone substitute may also be advantageous. For the successful regeneration of defect site, the choice of grafting material should be carefully considered. Autogenous bone material is the most predictable material, but it has some limitations. Harvesting from intraoral or extraoral may be painful and limited with morbidity, and autogenous bone is easy to resorption in the healing process.

Xenograft material has been used quite frequently as bone graft substitutes with good success in recent years. Bovine-derived bone material may serve as an alternative to overcome the disadvantages of autogenous bone. Xenograft is

osteoconductive, readily available and risk free of disease transmission. Most of all, the biomaterial has been shown to maintain the augmented volume for long periods that resist to resorption<sup>15, 16</sup>.

Recently, a bovine-derived bone mineral containing collagen has been used in attempts to prevent bone loss and promote bone remodeling in fresh extraction sockets<sup>17</sup>. The graft material containing collagen is thought to possess several advantages compared to the particulate bone type biomaterial. The material is easily moldable into the desired form. The augmented material has been shown to maintain the volume for long periods<sup>15, 16</sup>. Thus, in the surgical treatment of peri-implantitis defects with favorable intrabony components, the use of such biomaterial with collagen may be one option providing surgical convenience and improving the long term prognosis of the peri-implantitis defects.

#### IV. Limitation

This case report focused on the radiographic bone morphology and limited clinical parameters were used for assessment not to mention the small number of patients involved. Further

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