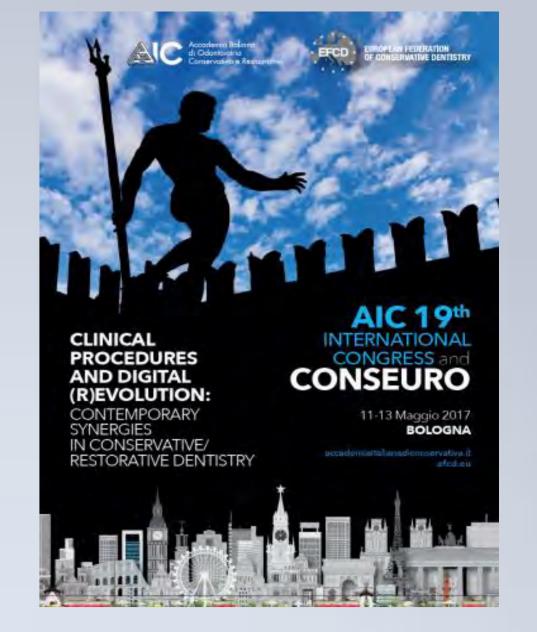


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Objective: The purpose of this clinical case is the presentation of possibilities of minimal intervention dentistry to achieve an aesthetic result in an elderly patient.

Materials and Methods: A 74-year-old female patient in good medical condition was referred for dental treatment to our department as she was not satisfied with her smile. Clinical examination revealed extensive non-carious cervical lesions, incisal wear, black interdental triangles, old composite resin restorations with poor marginal quality and tooth migration due to periodontal disease. Her requirements were whiter teeth and improvement of her smile with minimal intervention and low cost. A combination of conservative methods was selected. Teeth were bleached using carbamide peroxide 16% for two weeks. Then we proceeded to restore cervical lesions with simultaneous treatment of the other aesthetic problems. All restorations were done freehand with enamel and dentin composite resin shades.

Results: The patient was fully satisfied with the result and after 1 year the restored teeth present excellent clinical appearance.

Conclusion: Conservative treatment of these defects is important not only to restore function and aesthetics, but also presents a positive psychological impact on elderly patients.

Clinical Case







1. Patient's smile



4. Upper 6 front teeth



2. Initial color A4



5. Freehand composite resin restorations



3. Final color of the incisal part A1



6. From different angle



10. After 1 year

8. Freehand composite resin restorations



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