Evidence-based Compendium on Minimum Intervention Dentistry (MI) Available Now for Dental Academics and Practitioners

A comprehensive scientific literature review concerning Minimal Intervention Dentistry (MI) is now available by four dental schools in Brasilia, Johannesburg and Sao Paulo. The MI Compendium provides an evidence base for MI and aims to assist in the development of evidence based undergraduate MI courses for dental students in the near future.

(PRWEB) February 14, 2006 -- Dental academics and practitioners from four dental schools in Brasilia, Johannesburg and Sao Paulo have searched 11 main databases (including Cochrane Library, PubMed, Lilacs) and reviewed English, German, Portuguese and Spanish articles relevant to over 25 individual MI concepts. The review is now available as ‘MI Compendium’ in eBook format (PDF) and can be downloaded online: http://www.midentistry.com/academia.html

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The MI Compendium provides a comprehensive evidence base for MI and aims to assist in evidence-based undergraduate MI teaching for dental students. It is written as quick- guide and reference and has been developed with focus on the repeatability of its results by others. Its reviewed MI topics include:

Saliva based caries risk assessment, Diagnodent, Chlorhexidine, Dental Chewing Gum, Tooth Mousse, GIC Fissure sealing, Carisolv, ART vs Amalgam, The Wand, GIC antibacterial action, QLF, Dental Microscope for caries diagnosis, Triclosan, Ozone, Diammine silver fluoride, GIC hypermineralisation /remineralisation, Air abrasion, Sono-abrasion, Laser treatment, Sandwich technique, Bacteria (SM, LB) tests-, Sugar intake- Past caries experience for caries risk prediction

Since scientific research and developments in dentistry are ongoing, the MI Compendium will be regularly updated and extended. Information on updates will be made available online http://www.midentistry.com/academia.html

MI is a philosophy of professional care, concerned with Risk, Earliest detection and Earliest possible treatment of disease on micro (molecular) levels, followed by the most minimal invasive and patient friendly options to repair irreversible damages caused by such disease. MI aims to empower patients (through information, skills and motivation) to be in charge of their own oral health, so that they only require minimal intervention from the dental profession.

Evidence-based dentistry aims to encourage dentists to make clinical decisions based on good evidence used in conjunction with their clinical expertise. The Centre for Evidence-Based Medicine, Oxford has provided well-accepted guidelines on how to rate the quality and strength of published papers that deal with interventions for therapy, diagnosis or prognosis. Much of these principles have been adopted for use in the MI Compendium.
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