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Full Digital workflow with a twist

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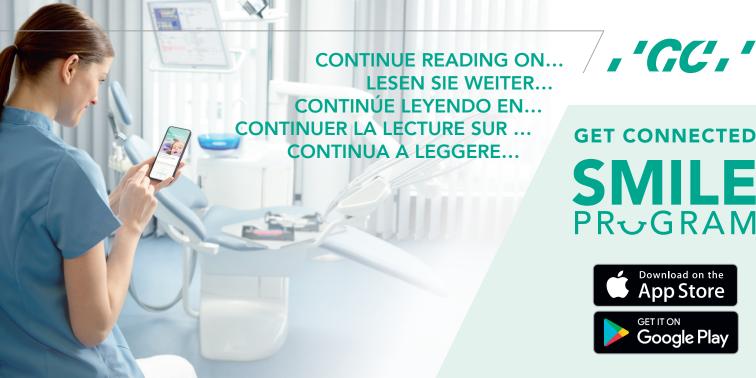
A male 61-year-old patient was suffering from severe wear, which can be classified as attrition, abrasion and erosion depending on its cause. The entire smile line was lost and even became negative (Fig. 1). The patient was a real extravert smiling person, hence a new nice smile would impact his future social life. The destructive wear of his teeth caused already several endodontic treatments and TMJ dysfunction caused by the loss of the vertical dimension with caused tense and tired muscles.



Fig. 1: Smile before treatment.

Severe tooth wear caused morphological change of occlusal tooth, decrease of vertical dimension, pulp pathology, occlusal disharmony and change the masticatory function. In this condition, more complex therapies are needed such as endodontics, periodontics, and full coronal coverage.

A digital impression was made and the master model was printed. A digital wax-up/mock-up was made in Exocad, using the 'Digital Smile Creator' module. A standard length of 10.8 mm and width of 8.4 mm was used like described by Mauro Fradeani. This set-up was for this patient's biotype a really nice starting point. The idea was to verify the integration because the vertical dimension had to be increased with several mm and the patient wanted to rejuvenate his smile inconspicuously, so as natural as possible in addition to all the comfort of a balanced occlusion.





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