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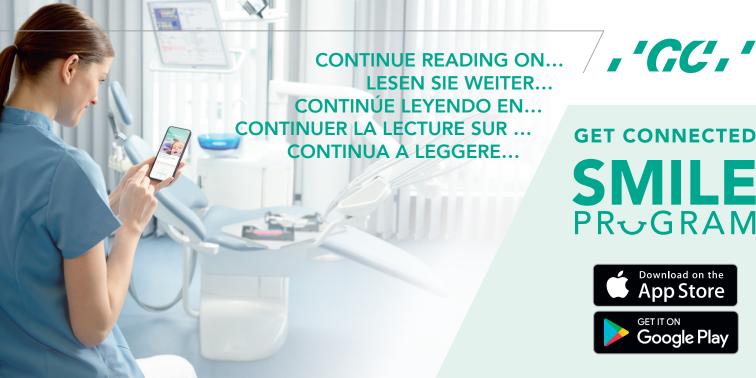
Achieving a single central shade match at the first attempt

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The patient's tooth #11 was fractured during an accident. After correcting it temporarily with composites, the dentist decided to solve the problem with a partial crown. The reason was that the tooth had begun to change colour; it was becoming darker and the patient wanted to have the same colour as tooth #21 (Fig. 1).



Fig. 1: Intraoral view, showing the discoloured preparation





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