

JAD - from lab to chair

Dear Reader,

Our Journal of Adhesive Dentistry has now appeared since 1999, and six times per year since 2002, having just passed its twentieth anniversary. From the beginning, JAD has been a research-oriented journal dealing with both laboratory and clinical research in the broad sense related to adhesive restorative dentistry. While publishing research will remain the journal's main focus, JAD would like to narrow the gap between research and clinical practice. The journal aims to translate research data to the basis on which clinicians can build and/or modify their personal adhesive protocols in their daily clinical routines.

The literature has suggested that the success of adhesive restorations in terms of long clinical service depends not only on the material technology, but also to a great extent on patient-related factors, with perhaps even a greater role attributed to the practicing dentist and the operative techniques he/she applies. In this light, JAD intends to broaden its scope and also attract papers reporting on established clinical methodologies. Self-evidently, such

papers should surpass simple "before" and "after" case-series presentations, but instead propose total treatment concepts for specific adhesive tooth-restoration indications. Obviously, such papers should still be scientifically sound. They will also undergo peer review, in particular by inviting clinically oriented academics. Acknowledging the fact that there is more than one clinical protocol to adhesively restore teeth, JAD would like to share different clinical procedural options. Our publisher Quintessence guarantees top print quality to illustrate the proposed clinical work with ample images. We thus look forward to receiving your clinical concept papers to be published in JAD's clinical section.

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Direct adhesive restoration of general tooth wear to increase the vertical dimension of occlusion (VDO). Clinical case of Prof. Dr. M. Peumans (KU Leuven – BIOMAT).