

A STUDY ON THE EFFECTS OF CENTRIC RELATION OCCLUSION-MAXIMUM INTERCUSPATION DISCREPANCIES TO DENTAL WEAR

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I. Introduction

Temporomandibular joint (TMJ) and teeth, among various components of the stomatognathic system, had distinct functional movement different from other joints, due to their particular anatomic structure and neuromuscular system.⁶⁵ Centric position of mandible or the starting point of mandibular movement had two definitions; centric relation (CR) and maximum intercuspation (MI).

The relationship of the two positions was important for occlusal analysis. Maximum intercuspation was a position determined by remaining upper and lower teeth. On the other hand, centric relation described by McCollum at first, was a position which was determined by the disk-condyle complex, ligament and muscle. Thus centric relation was a bone-to-bone relation. But, there had been much controversy over the definition, position, and its reproducibility of centric relation. The position of centric relation had seen very controversial. Most posterior,⁵⁵ most superior,^{9,17} most superior-posterior,^{26,39} most anterior,¹⁰ anterior-superior position¹¹ were once thought to be correct.

Early gnathologists^{6,59,60,68,83} proposed that centric relation (CR) would exist when the

condyles were fully seated rearmost and uppermost in their respective fossae. However, ideal condylar position has led to much discussion, argument and confusion among dentists.
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Dawson¹⁶ proposed that centric relation as "the most superior position of condyle-disk assemblies against eminentia, irrespective of tooth position of vertical dimension".

Otherwise Celenza¹¹ defined centric relation as anterior-superior position. Present knowledge strongly indicated that CR as the most superior-anterior position of the condyles against the posterior slope of the eminentia. Glossary of prosthodontic terms³ adopted the definition of Celenza: "maxillomandibular relationship in which the condyles articulate with the thinnest avascular portion of their respective disks with the complex in the anterior-superior position against the slopes of the articular eminences. This position is clinically discernible when the mandible is directed superiorly and anteriorly and restricted to a rotary about a transverse horizontal axis. This term is in transition to obsolescence."

Mandibular guidance methods were also proposed. They can be divided into two categories: the active methods and the passive methods. Active methods meant guidance

by dentists or operators. Passive methods implied guidance by the patient's himself. In active methods, there were chin point guidance,⁵⁶ bilateral manipulation,¹⁷ chin point guidance with anterior jig,⁹ chin point guidance with leaf gauge,^{36,55} power centric method.⁷⁵

When mandible moved from CR position to MI position, 2 kinds of mandibular movements (translation and rotation) or three dimensional movements occurred.

Gnathologists proposed that point centric, the coincidence of CR and MI, was the ideal centric position. But, majority of the population showed CRO-MI discrepancies. Posselt,⁶⁹ Dawson,¹⁷ Reider,⁷¹ and Lucia⁵⁶ reported that 80–90% of subjects showed CRO-MI discrepancies. Kydd and Sander,³⁶ Ingervall,³⁰ McNamara and Henry,⁶¹ Hickey,³³ Azarbal⁴ reported that all subjects showed CRO-MI discrepancies. In 1952, Posselt⁶⁹ reported that a discrepancy existed between centric relation contact position (CRCP) and the intercuspal position (IP) in approximately 90% of the subjects. Hodge and Mahan³⁶ graphically described the mandibular path between these two positions. In 30 subjects who had excellent occlusion, the mean value of the anterior-posterior component measured at the incisors was 0.75 mm and the mean value of vertical component was 0.8mm. Rosner⁷³ diagrammatically depicted the horizontal and vertical component. In 1986, Wise⁸⁷ reported on the clinical observation that patient having a greater horizontal than vertical component to be slide from CRCP to the IP as measured at the incisors. In 1992, Wise⁸⁸ reported the relationship between the vertical-horizontal ratio of movement. Lucia⁵⁶ believes that the correct centric relation as essential for coordination of occluding tooth surfaces and the temporomandibular joint (TMJ).

Measuring methods of CRO-MI discrepan-

cies were as follows : Intraoral direct method using a ruler, position-gnathometer,³⁶ articulator mounting,^{75,77,80} gothic arch tracing,³⁸ photoelectric Mandibulography,⁵ Electromyography analysis, Visi-trainer.⁵¹

Dental wear appears to be a general physiologic phenomenon found in all mammals, in every civilization and at all ages. But, there are many factors that can influence the type and rate of wear.^{8,15,23,40,62,63,87} Although several studies have provided important information about the anatomy and origin of dental wear, the precise causes remain unclear. While numerous efforts have been made to implicate various factors in the etiology of tooth wear,^{19,22,31,32,42,53,58,66,76,81,84,92} the evidence in the literature is inconclusive. Furthermore, the multifactorial character of occlusal tooth wear and those etiologic factors, and combinations thereof, which may contribute to the wear experienced by a given individual remain difficult to identify.^{8,40} Because there is always a combination of the various processes.

The relatively few studies of tooth wear in present-day normal populations refer mainly to adults.^{13,40,45,50,67,90} This lack of detailed knowledge was partly due to difficulties in measuring techniques. The most frequently used method were based on clinical grading of the amount of worn tooth substances. Since the wear of teeth in contemporary industrialized population was small, the ordinal scale of these method was not sensitive enough for the study of tooth wear in the normal young permanent dentition.⁶⁴

Planimetric methods⁷⁴ and arbitrary scale⁹⁰ provided a continuous and more accurate scale that made it possible for detailed information to be gained, comparison to be made, and trends to be discovered. In 1987, Gourdon²⁷ found that values obtained by the planimetric methods and Woda's arbitrary scale sho-

wed significant correlation for quantification of dental wear.

In 1970, Reynolds⁷² reported that the number and extent of facets of wear on all teeth seemed to be more closely related to the length of slide rather than the age of the individual.

The purposes of this study were 1) to evaluate the effects of CRO-MI discrepancies on the dental wear 2) to evaluate the difference of dental wear between initially contacted teeth in CR and the other teeth.

II. Material and Methods

A. Material

The preliminary survey was conducted on 260 students of Seoul National University Dental College who had a complete healthy dentition and were between 21 & 25 years of age. Their selection was predicated on the following criteria: absence of missing teeth (except third molars), caries, periodontal disease, bruxism, TMJ disorders, restorations, and history of occlusal or orthodontic therapy.

Furthermore, good occlusion with molar relationship in Angle class I and coincidence between maxillary and mandibular midlines were present, along with regular teeth alignment. The third molars, when present, were not included in the analysis.

To except from other factors related to dental wear, the questionnaire related to possible background factors of importance for dental attrition (for example, dietary, environmental, working, and parafunctional factors), signs and symptoms of functional disturbances of the masticatory system and recurrent headache was performed on 260 persons (Table I, II, III).

According to the results of the questionnaire, some people who had possible factors of importance for dental wear of functional disturbances of the masticatory system were excluded, only 50 out of 260 students of Seoul National University dental college were suitable for this study.

The SAM2 articulator (SAM Prazisionstechnik GmbH, Germany) (Fig. 1) and Mandibular Position Indicator (MPI) (Fig. 2) were

Table I. Some of the questions related to dental attrition

Question	Yes, now	Yes, previously but not now	No
Do you spend much time in a dusty environment?			#
Do you sometimes use your teeth in your work?			#
Have you had a dry mouth for a long period of time?			#
Do you often have 'heart burn' (acid regurgitation)?			#
Do you often vomit?			#
Do you often clench or grind your teeth?			#

: used answer in this study.

Table II. Dietary habits related to dental attrition

Does your diet include/... ?	1-2 times a month	1-2 times a week	daily
Citrus fruits		#	
Apples		#	
Tomatoes		#	
Grapes		#	
Coke/Pepsi		#	
Fruit juices		#	
Cider		#	

: used answer in this study.

Table III. Some reported symptoms related to functional disturbance of the masticatory system

Do you suffer from/... ?	Yes, now	Yes, previously but not now	No
Frequent headache			#
Pain in your jaws and/or face			#
Dizziness (Vertigo)			#
Tinnitus			#

: used answer in this study

used to investigate discrepancies between centric relation occlusion and maximum intercuspation discrepancies.

The preliminary study showed two patterns of CRO-MI discrepancies. One type was a group of small discrepancies. At sagittal plane, horizontal discrepancies were under 0.5mm, vertical discrepancies were under 0.5mm. At frontal plane, lateral discrepancies were under 0.3mm. This type hereinafter was called Group 1 (Fig. 3). The other type showed large discrepancies. At sagittal plane, horizontal discrepancies were over 1.5mm, vertical discrepancies were over 1.5mm. At frontal plane, lateral discrepancies were over 0.5mm. This type hereinafter was called Group 2 (Fig. 4). Of these 50 persons, 20 persons within the above criterias were selected for this study. There were 10

persons in Group 1 (Age 23 ± 2 yrs, 9 males and 1 female), and 10 persons in Group 2 (Age 23 ± 2 yrs, 9 males and 1 female).

B. Methods

Maxillary and mandibular impression were made using an irreversible hydrocolloid material (Alginate, Aroma-Fine II, GC, Japan) in perforated Aluminum stock trays. A maximum intercuspation (MI) bite registration was taken with bite registration wax (Alminax, Associated dental product, England) and zinc eugenol paste (Temp-Bond, Kerr, USA). Subjects were instructed to bite completely through the softened wax into maximum intercuspation position.

A centric relation (CR) bite registration was then taken by Dawson's method.⁶ Before ta-

king the CR bite registration, the muscle deprogramming was done. The subjects hold the cotton roll at incisors for 5 minutes. 2 sets of CR bite registration were made for verification of CR record. Different sets of CR bite registrations were made by other examiner for evaluation of inter-individual differences.

The maxillary and mandibular alginate impressions were poured immediately using dental stone (Whipmix, USA). Both sections of the CR bite registration were carefully trimmed with a scalpel blade so that only indentation for the cusp tip.

A SAM2 Articulator was used for mounting maxillary and mandibular casts. The maxillary casts were mounted using the ear face-bow transfer provided to locate the estimated hinge axis. The face-bow was oriented on a line parallel to axis-orbital plane by employing soft tissue Nasion as the anterior reference point. All casts were mounted on the articulator using fast-setting stone (Samwoo, Korea). To minimize the effect of gypsum's expansion, the mounting procedure was done by two steps. The split casts using magnet were used for verification of CR bite registration (Fig. 5). After each mounting, initial tooth contact at

CR was marked.

The centric slides were assessed in the sagittal plane at the articulator condyles using a Mandibular Position Indicator (MPI). This device can measure the three-dimensional changes in the position of the articulator condyles between centric relation and maximum intercuspation. Sagittal plane and frontal plane were examined for this study. The horizontal and vertical changes in the sagittal plane at each articular condyle correspond to the ΔX and ΔZ changes respectively on the adhesive grids affixed to the sliding blocks on the MPI (Fig. 6). The X and Z values at the left and right condylar mechanism were marked with articulating paper. The lateral changes were read at dial gauge (ΔY)

(1) Dental wear analysis by use of ordinal scale

The ordinal scale was used to measure dental wear values in a subject's mouth. The following scale was applied to evaluate degrees of dental wear : 0=no or little wear of enamel only ; 1=marked wear facets of enamel ; 2 =wear into dentin ; 3=extensive wear into dentin($>2\text{mm}^3$) ; and 4=wear into secondary

Table IV. Ordinal scale used for grading severity of occlusal wear

Grade	Degree of occlusal wear
0	No visible facets in enamel ; occlusal/incisal morphology intact
1	Marked wear facets in enamel ; occlusal/incisal morphology altered
2	Wear into dentin ; dentin exposed ; occlusal/incisal morphology changed in shaped with height
3	Extensive wear into dentin ; larger dentin area($>2\text{mm}^3$) exposed ; occlusal/incisal morphology totally lost locally or generally ;
4	substantial loss of crown height Wear into secondary dentin

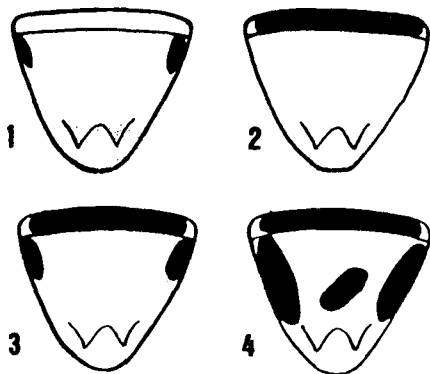


Fig. 7. Diagram of arbitrary criteria chosen to quantify wear facet of incisors and canines⁹⁰

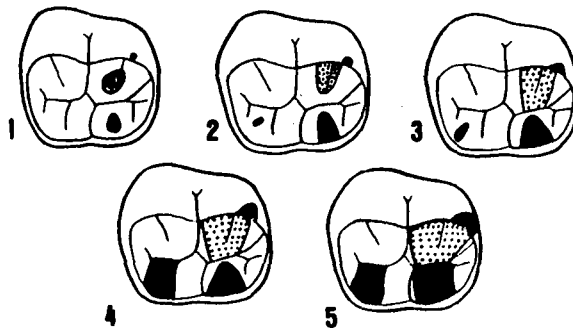


Fig. 8. Diagram of arbitrary criteria chosen to quantify wear facet of molars and pre-molars⁹⁰

dentin (Table IV). On the basis of these criteria, the assessment was performed on subjects through clinical oral examination.

(2) Dental wear analysis by use of arbitrary scale

The arbitrary scale was used to quantify the surface of wear facets on the casts. Arbitrary scale was used for both the anterior and the posterior teeth.

A wear of anterior teeth was evaluated by the arbitrary value (Fig. 7) as follows :

- 1=One or several facets located only on the palatal or buccal surface of the tooth
- 2=One or several facets present only on the incisal edge
- 3=One or several facets present on the incisal edge and also on the palatal or buccal surfaces, but occupying less than one third of longitudinal length of tooth crown.
- 4=One or several facets present on the incisal edge and also on the palatal or buccal surfaces, and occupying more than one third of longitudinal length of tooth crown.

A wear of posterior teeth was evaluated by the arbitrary value (Fig. 8) as follows :

- 1=Facets occupying in buccolingual direction less than one third of cusp side
- 2=Facets occupying in buccolingual direction more than one third of cusp side
- 3=Facets occupying a total cusp side
- 4=Facets occupying in buccolingual direction three complete cusp side (external working, internal working, and non-working) that are not situated in the same frontal plane
- 5=Facets occupying in buccolingual direction three complete and contiguous cusp sides situated in the same frontal plane.

(3) Statistical analysis

Differences between groups were tested by means of t-test (SPSS/PC+) and paired t-test. The level of statistical significance used was $p < 0.05$.

III. Results

(1) The means and standard deviations of CRO-MI discrepancies

The means and standard deviations of CRO-MI discrepancies shown at Table V and Fig. 9.

Table V. CRO-MI discrepancies(Unit : mm)

Variables	Group 1	Group 2
$\Delta X(R)$	0.26 ± 0.18	2.06 ± 0.71
$\Delta X(L)$	0.29 ± 0.21	2.45 ± 0.90
$\Delta Z(R)$	0.27 ± 0.20	2.48 ± 0.81
$\Delta Z(L)$	0.28 ± 0.18	2.21 ± 0.97
ΔY	0.30 ± 0.25	0.59 ± 0.52

Table VI. Mean dental wear(ordinal scale) ($p < 0.05$)

Variables	Group 1	Group 2
Mean	1.179	1.263
S.D	0.122	0.215

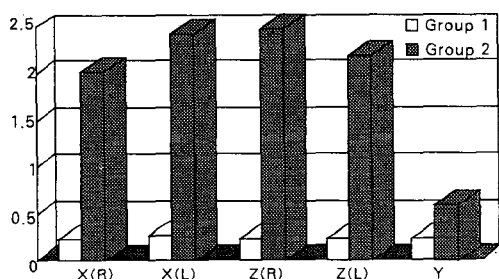


Fig. 9. The CRO-MI discrepancies

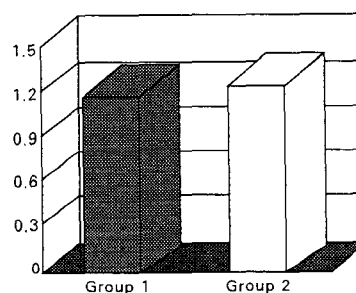


Fig. 10. The mean dental wear value (ordinal scale)

(2) The dental wear values obtained by use of ordinal scale

Means and standard deviations were calculated for each group in all teeth. Figures were used for a comparative study of the dental wear values between the Group 1 and Group 2 subjects.

1. The mean dental wear value in all teeth, obtained by use of ordinal scale, was not significantly different between the Group 1 and Group 2 ($p < 0.05$) (Table VI, Fig. 10).

2. The dental wear values in initially contacted teeth and the other teeth by ordinal scale was not significantly different between the

initially contact teeth and the other teeth ($p < 0.05$) (Table VII, Fig. 11).

3. The dental wear values in initially contacted teeth and the other posterior teeth by ordinal scale was not significantly different between the initially contact teeth and the other posterior teeth ($p < 0.05$) (Table VII, Fig. 11).

(3) The dental wear values obtained by use of arbitrary scale

Means and standard deviations of dental wear values were calculated for each group in all teeth and between teeth.

1. The mean dental wear value in all teeth,

Table VII. Dental wear scores of initial contacted teeth & the other teeth(ordinal scale) ($p < 0.05$)

Variables	I.C	N.I.C.	N.I.C.(post)
Mean	1.183	1.291	1.149
S.D	0.241	0.262	0.374

I.C. : Initially contacted teeth

N.I.C. : The other teeth except initially contacted teeth

N.I.C.(post) : The other posterior teeth except initially contacted teeth

Table VIII. Mean dental wear(arbitrary scale) ($p < 0.05$)

Variables	Group 1	Group 2
Mean	1.958	2.085
S.D	0.201	0.327

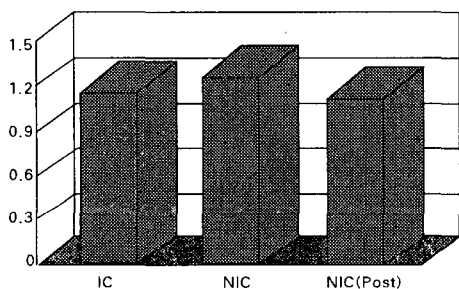


Fig. 11. The dental wear value of initially contacted teeth, the other teeth and the other posterior teeth (ordinal scale)

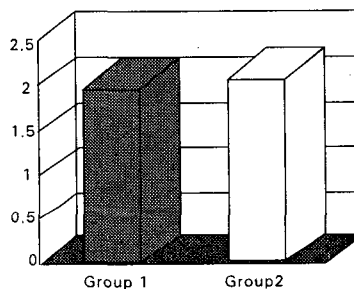


Fig. 12. The mean dental wear value (arbitrary scale)

Table IX. Dental wear scores of initial contacted teeth & non-initial contacted teeth(arbitrary scale) ($p < 0.05$)

Variables	I.C	N.I.C.	N.I.C.(post)
Mean	2.767	2.015	2.041
S.D	0.875	0.384	0.562

I.C. : Initially contacted teeth

N.I.C. : The other teeth except initially contacted teeth

N.I.C.(post) : The other posterior teeth except initially contacted teeth

obtained by use of arbitrary scale, was not significantly different between group 1 and group 2 ($p < 0.05$) (Table VIII, Fig. 12).

2. The dental wear values in initially contacted teeth and the other teeth by arbitrary scale were significantly greater in initially contacted

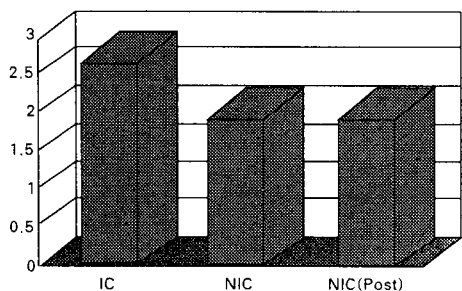


Fig. 13. The dental wear value of initially contacted teeth and the other posterior teeth (arbitrary scale)

teeth than the other teeth ($p < 0.05$) (Table IX, Fig. 13).

3. The dental wear values in initially contacted teeth and the other posterior teeth by arbitrary scale were significantly greater in initially contacted teeth than other posterior teeth ($p < 0.05$) (Table IX, Fig. 13).

IV. Discussion

The position of mandible could be determined by two means. One was decided by contact of intercuspation between mandibular and maxillary teeth. The other was decided by the position of the condyle in the articular eminence. Maximum intercuspation was tooth-to-tooth relation, at which the contact surface between the upper and lower teeth become maximal. Centric relation was the positional relationship between the condyle and articular eminence, and due to its stability and reproducibility, it was recognized that CR was reference point in mandibular movement. But, there were many argument^{35,41} over its precise position.

Weinberg,⁸⁶ Hobo,³⁵ Hoffman³⁷ persisted that at centric relation, the condyle existed in the most posterior position. Dawson,¹⁷ Long,⁵⁴ Car-

roll⁹ the upper most position was CR. Stuart,⁸³ Glosen²⁶ supported the most superior-posterior position, Celenza¹¹ the anterior-superior position, Graham²⁸ the most anterior position.

Also many CR guide methods were reported by various dentists. Several studies used Dawson's bilateral manipulation methods.^{4,55,57,78} This methods was effective in achieving most superior position of condyle. The method using leaf gauges was useful due to its removal of latent error. So, using the patient's own muscle power, the condyles existed in the most superior position. Chin point guidance with anterior jig method was effective in attaining condyle's most posterior position.^{55,56}

On the other hand, some persisted that when guiding the mandible to the CR position excessive pressure on the mandible triggered a protective myo-reflex. Thus, active method without operator's guidance is more useful.¹

There were many reports on CRO-MI discrepancies. Posselt⁶⁹ examined the CRO-MI discrepancies at incisal edge with gothic arch tracing. Many of normal population condyle's CRO and MI did not coincide. Reider⁷¹ reported that CRO-MI discrepancies existed in 80% of the subjects in the anterior-posterior and vertical direction. And 30% of subjects showed lateral discrepancies. Pullinger⁷⁰ reported that 71% of the subjects showed discrepancies. Among them 61% under 1mm. Solberg, de Laat¹⁸ reported similar frequency and degree of discrepancies. Kydd,¹⁰ Ingervall,³⁰ McNamara,⁶¹ Hickey³³ reported that all the subjects showed discrepancies, and the amount of discrepancies about 1mm. In all the reports, lateral discrepancies has been considerably lesser than anterior-posterior and vertical discrepancies. That was coincide with my study.

Measuring CRO-MI discrepancies in the condylar area is more complex than measuring

them in the incisal edge area. Articulators, Veri-check, Radiograph, Hinge axis locator have been used.^{12,51,83}

Regarding the guidance method in jaw movement recording, Guichet,²⁹ McCollum and Stuart⁶⁰ claimed that measurement by the patient himself as sufficed as there were no movement by the patient other than voluntary border movement, Huffman,³⁹ Tupac⁸⁵ claimed that manipulation by the operator was necessary to overcome lateral occlusal interference and Simonet⁷⁹ reported that all voluntary movement existed within the boundaries of manipulation. A great deal of controversies existed regarding the effects of CRO-MI discrepancies. CRO-MI discrepancies was the most frequent feature of occlusal discrepancies, also Gelb²⁴ proposed that occlusal discrepancies or disharmonies may represent a major factor in the development of TMJ dysfunction.

There are few papers about occlusal discrepancies and dental wear. Egermark-Eriksson²⁰ stated that occlusal discrepancies increased according to the severity of dental wear. But that was a longitudinal study and the subjects were children.

Many different clinical techniques are currently used to obtain centric jaw relation records. Bilateral manipulation¹⁶ is an operator guided manipulation to attempt to seat the condyles in the most superior position. This method has been proved to have the most consistent reproducibility.^{34,46}

In this study CR bite registrations were verified by split cast technique. 9 out of 10 subjects showed an initial contact on the most posterior tooth at CRO. And, 8 out of 9 subjects showed initial contact only most posterior teeth, but 1 out of 10 subjects showed second premolars and second molars. Only 1 subject showed initial contact at second premolars. Most of subjects showed coincidence of ΔX

and ΔZ . Perhaps, this was why the condyle cannot move forward or backward from centric relation without moving downward. A few case showed large ΔX and small ΔZ at right side and small ΔX large ΔZ at left side, and vice versa. Probably these cases were due to large lateral displacement or rotation of condyle and occult TMJ problems. Pullinger⁷⁰ reported that 26% of subjects showed right-left asymmetry.

In 1985, Smith⁸¹ reported that dietary and regurgitation erosion were the most common causes of tooth wear, attrition was secondary in importance to erosion and abrasion the least important.

In 1990, Ekfeldt²¹ reported that factors correlated with increased incisal and occlusal wear were number of existing teeth, age, sex, occurrence of bruxism, use of snuff, and saliva buffer capacity.

In 1991, Johansson⁴³ reported that the factors found to correlated significantly with increased occlusal wear were bruxism, biting habit and high intake of fruit juices.

In 1993, Dahl¹⁴ reported that there were many factors that could influence the type and rate of wear. These factors were time/age, gender, occlusal conditions, hyperfunction, bite force, gastrointestinal disturbances, nutrition, environmental factors, salivary factors, and other factors.

In 1993, Johansson⁴⁴ reported that the factors of importance for occlusal wear were : age, increased bite force, decreased occlusal tactile sensitivity, increased endurance time, and reduced tendency for crowding in the dental arches and salivary factors (low buffer capacity and low rate of secretion).

In 1994, Abdullah² reported that the prevalence and severity of occlusal tooth wear and their interrelationship with lateral and protrusive occlusal contact schemes in a young adult

Indian population. No differences in the severity of wear were found in relation to lateral excursive and protrusive contact scheme.

The dental wear values, obtained by use of ordinal and arbitrary scale, were not significantly different between the Group 1 and Group 2. And dental wear value, obtained by use of ordinal scale, were not significantly different between initially contacted teeth and the other teeth. But dental wear value, obtained by use of arbitrary scale was significantly greater in the initially contacted teeth than the other teeth. The possible reasons for differences are as follows : First, the ordinal scale is not sensitive enough for the study of dental wear in the normal young permanent dentition. Second, the problem of the wear in initially contacted teeth was not the intensity but the amount. Third, wear seems to be multi-etiological phenomenon.

In this study, all dental arches presented wear facets. But, no extensive wear was observed because factors that could effect the dental wear were excluded. The molars and anterior teeth showed larger facet than premolar except initially contacted teeth. This meant that initially contacted teeth at CR worn easily than the other teeth. Reynolds⁷² reported that the number and extent of facets of wear was related as follows :

1) The length of the slide from terminal hinge relation to maximum intercuspation, 2) A lack of eccentric 'disclusion' of the posterior teeth. This finding was supported by Kim.⁴⁹ Kim reported that grinding type worn more easily than the chopping type.

V. Conclusions

10 subjects with small CRO-MI discrepancies and 10 subjects with large CRO-MI discrepancies were selected by use of SAM2 arti-

culator. The mean dental wear values, obtained by ordinal scale and arbitrary scale, were calculated for each group. The dental wear values of initially contacted teeth and the other teeth were compared.

1. The mean dental wear value in all teeth, obtained by use of ordinal scale and arbitrary scale were not significantly different between the small discrepancies group and large discrepancies group.
2. In large discrepancies group, the initially contacted teeth did not show more intense wear than other teeth.
3. In large discrepancies group, the initially contacted teeth showed more amount of wear than the other teeth.

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사진부도 설명

- Fig. 1. The SAM2 Articulator
- Fig. 2. The Mandibular Position Indicator
- Fig. 3. The example of small CRO-MI discrepancies
- Fig. 4. The example of large CRO-MI discrepancies
- Fig. 5. The split cast used for this study
- Fig. 6. The measurement of CRO-MI discrepancies at slide blocks on the MPI

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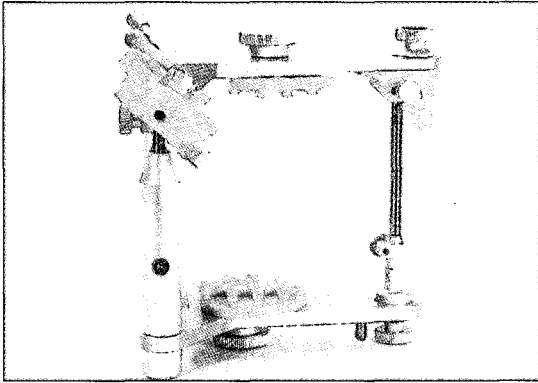


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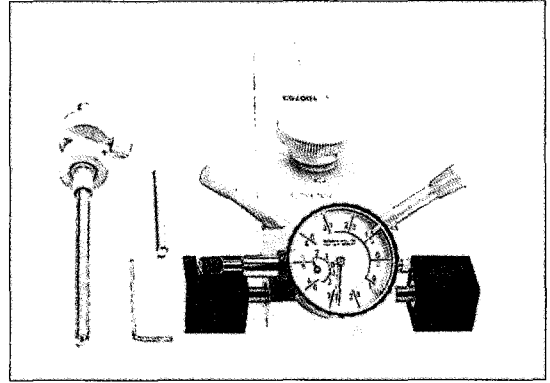


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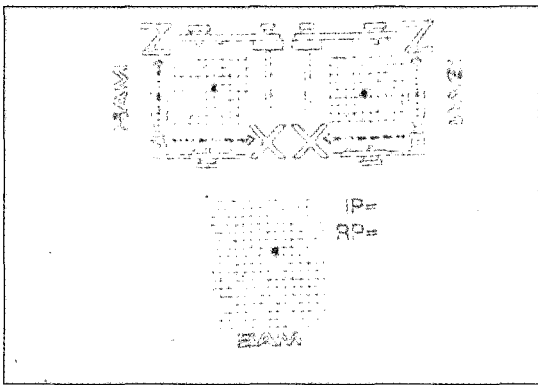


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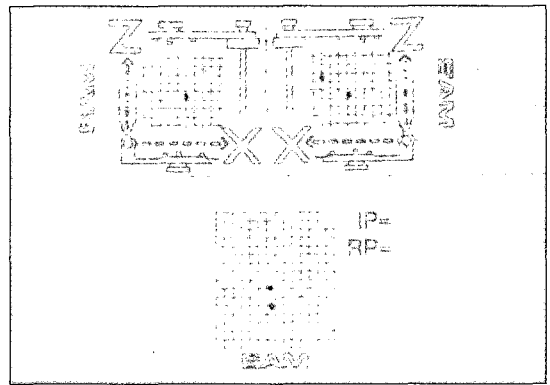


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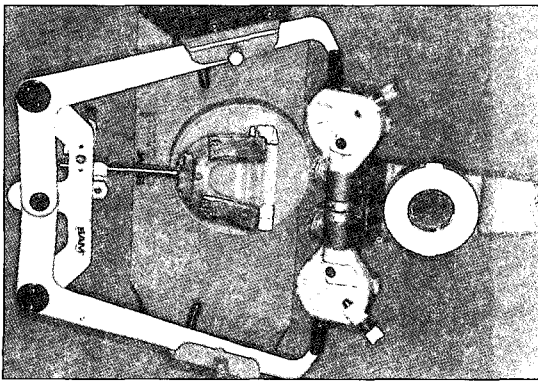


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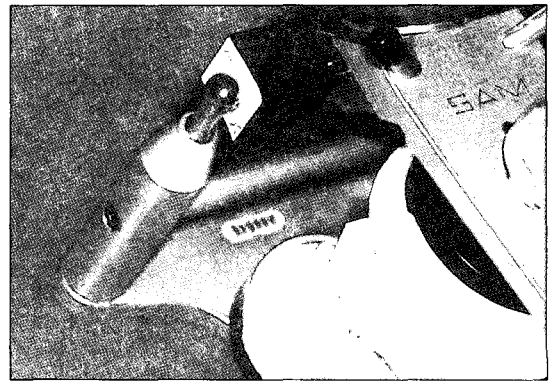


Fig. 6.

중심위 교합-최대교두감합위 불일치가 치아 마모에 미치는 영향에 관한 연구

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치아경조직의 소실은 반드시 치아우식증이나 사고에 의해서만 일어나는 것이 아니라 마모에 의해서도 일어난다. 마모에 영향을 미치는 인자들은 시간/나이, 성별, 이갈이와 같은 과기능, 저작력, 위장관장애, 음식물, 환경적인 영향, 타액의 상태 그리고 교합적인 조건들이 있다. 한편 중심위와 최대교두감합위 불일치가 악구강계에 미치는 영향에 관해서는 아직도 논란이 분분하다. 본 연구의 목적은 중심위와 최대교두감합위의 불일치가 치아마모에 미치는 영향과 중심위에서 제일 먼저 닿는 치아와 나머지 치아의 마모에 있어서 차이에 대해서 알아 보는 것이다.

본 연구는 두개하악관절과 저작습관에 이상이 없으며, 식이습관에 문제가 없으며 치아우식증과 치주질환, 수복물, 교정 또는 교합치료의 경험이 없는 21세에서 25세 사이의 서울대학교 치과대학생을 대상으로 하였다. 교합기를 이용하여 중심위 교합-최대교두교두감합위 불일치를 조사하여, 중심위 교합-최대교두감합위가 불일치가 작은 군과 큰 군으로 나누었다. 각 군은 각각 10명의 피검자들로 구성되었다. 각 피검자의 인상채득 후 CR mounting을 시행하고 중심위 교합-최대감합위 불일치를 측정하고 다음 임상검사로 ordinal scale을 측정하고 모형을 통해 arbitrary scale을 측정하였다. 평균치아마모도 그리고 중심위에서 먼저 닿는 치아와 나머지 치아, 나머지 구치의 마모도를 각각 조사하여 통계처리하였다.

1. 평균치아마모도는 ordinal scale로 측정하였을 때 중심위 교합-최대교두감합위 불일치가 작은 군과 큰 군 사이에 통계적으로 유의할만한 차이가 없었다($p>0.05$).
2. 평균치아마모도는 arbitrary scale로 측정하였을 때 중심위 교합-최대교두감합위 불일치가 작은 군과 큰 군 사이에 통계적으로 유의할만한 차이가 없었다($p>0.05$).
3. CR에서 먼저 닿는 치아와 나머지 치아, 나머지 구치의 마모도는 ordinal scale로 측정하였을 때 통계적으로 유의한 차이가 없었다($p>0.05$).
4. CR에서 먼저 닿는 치아와 나머지 치아, 나머지 구치의 마모도는 arbitrary scale로 측정하였을 때 먼저 닿는 치아에서 통계적으로 유의한 높은 수준의 마모도를 보였다($p<0.05$).

중심어 : 중심위-최대교두감합위 불일치, 치아 마모, 먼저 닿는 치아