Torque in root canal preparations

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Plain English summary of protocol

Current plain English summary as of 16/07/2018:

Background and study aims

Root canal treatment (endodontic treatment) is given to patients that have infection or inflammation on the pulp (nerve) inside a tooth, or in the bone surrounding the root area (lower area of the tooth).

Preparing a tooth for root canal treatment using rotary instruments generates torque. Torque generated during root canal preparation depends on the anatomy of the tooth, the type of instruments being used, and how the dentist prepares the canal. Torque can be measured in order to analyse how safe instruments are to use for root canal treatment. This study aims to describe a new method for measuring torque generated during root canal preparation in order to assess safety of different instruments and techniques.

Who can participate?

Adults requiring root canal treatment

What does the study involve?

Participants receive routine root canal treatment under anaesthetic in a single session. The canals are prepared using two types of rotary files and torque values (rotational force) are measured throughout this preparation or both instruments. Participants receive follow up for one year, but this is not part of the study.

What are the possible benefits and risks of participating? Being an observational study using standard root canal procedures, it does not offer any additional benefits or risks to the participants.

Where is the study run from? Sapienza University of Rome (Italy)

When is the study starting and how long is it expected to run for? October 2016 to March 2018

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Contact information

Type(s)

Scientific

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Additional identifiers

Protocol serial number

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Study information

Scientific Title

Measurement of operative torque generated during the preparation of root canals in vivo

Study objectives

The hypothesis is that different endodontics instruments create different torque values during intracanal instrumentation.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

Sapienza University of Rome, 10/04/2017, ref: 528/17

Study design

Pilot single-center observational study

Primary study design

Observational

Study type(s)

Not Specified

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Root canal treatments

Interventions

This study aims to describe a new method for analyzing operative torque in vivo by measuring the torque provided by an endodontic motor during the clinical use of nickel-titanium rotary instruments.

Participants are recruited in the dental clinic of the university. All have a prior indication for root canal treatment, and are being evaluated and supervised by the faculty of the institution. Participants are subjected to the regular endodontic treatment under anesthesia and rubber dam in a single session. Access is created with round burs and a manual glide-path is performed up to the apical limit. Then, the canals are prepared using rotary files ProTaper Next X 1 and EdgeEndo X7 (EdgeEndo). The observational study is limited to about 15 minutes during the root canal preparation. Torque values during the progression of the instruments into the canals are recorded every 0.1s. After the preparation, the teeth receive conventional obturation and restoration.

Data regarding torque is analyzed statistically with significance set at P<0.05.

Participants are subjected to the regular 1 year follow up in the clinic, which is not related to the aim and scope of the present study.

Intervention Type

Procedure/Surgery

Primary outcome(s)

Torque values were measured using a prototype device connected to a regular endodontic motor every 0.1 seconds during the procedure

Key secondary outcome(s))

The occurrence of mishaps such as torsional lock or breakage of files were recorded during the procedure

Completion date

15/12/2018

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

- 1. No significant medical history
- 2. Need root canal treatment in the maxillary premolar tooth

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Adult

Sex

Αll

Total final enrolment

10

Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Present any medical systemic condition
- 2. Teeth presenting root fracture, open apex, root resorption or previous root canal treatment.

Date of first enrolment

01/01/2018

Date of final enrolment

01/03/2018

Locations

Countries of recruitment

Italy

Study participating centre Sapienza Università di Roma - Clinica odontoiatrica Viale Pegina Elena 287

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Sponsor information

Organisation

Sapienza University of Rome

ROR

https://ror.org/02be6w209

Funder(s)

Funder type

University/education

Funder Name

Sapienza Università di Roma

Alternative Name(s)

Sapienza University of Rome, Università degli Studi di Roma "La Sapienza", Sapienza-Università di Roma, Sapienza, Uniroma1

Funding Body Type

Government organisation

Funding Body Subtype

Universities (academic only)

Location

Italy

Results and Publications

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

Data of the present study is stored in the DIPARTIMENTO DI SCIENZE ODONTOSTOMATOLOGICHE E MAXILLO FACCIALI of the La Sapienza University. Access to the

data should be requested to the principal investigator Dr. Gianluca Gambarini. Participants of this study signed a consent form. Their personal information was stored only on the dental clinic's charts, under the privacy policy of the university. Their information was linked only to the chart number and a new code was addressed for each participant to ensure that stored data is non-identified.

IPD sharing plan summary

Stored in repository

Study outputs

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
Results article	results	01/10/2019	11/09/2020	Yes	No
Participant information sheet	Participant information sheet	11/11/2025	11/11/2025	No	Yes