

Studying patient outcomes after placing wide dental implants immediately in the first lower molar without surgery

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Plain English summary of protocol

Background and study aims

This study aims to evaluate the outcomes of using ultra-wide dental implants placed immediately after tooth extraction in patients with a first lower molar that cannot be restored. The study will assess both clinical outcomes (such as implant success and survival) and patient-reported outcomes (such as pain, swelling, and daily activity).

Who can participate?

Adults aged 18 years or older who require the extraction of a first lower molar.

What does the study involve?

Participants will undergo a minimally invasive, flapless tooth extraction followed by immediate placement of an ultra-wide dental implant using a patient-specific surgical guide. Follow-up visits will include clinical and radiographic assessments, measurement of implant stability, and questionnaires about pain, swelling, daily activity, and satisfaction. The total follow-up period for each patient is 4 months.

What are the possible benefits and risks for participants?

Potential benefits include receiving advanced dental implant treatment and close monitoring by dental specialists. Risks may include postoperative pain, swelling, minor surgical complications, or implant failure, though all procedures are performed by experienced clinicians using standard safety protocols.

Where is the study run from?

The study is conducted at the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Faculty of Dentistry, University of Damascus, Syria.

When is the study starting and how long is it expected to run for?

July 2025 to May 2026. The first patient is expected to be enrolled in October 2025, and the last patient will be enrolled in December 2025. With a follow-up period of four months and additional time for data analysis, the study is expected to conclude by May 2026.

Who is funding the study?
The University of Damascus, Syria.

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Study information

Scientific Title

Patient reported and clinical outcomes following flapless, immediate placement of ultra wide implants in first lower molars

Study objectives

To evaluate the clinical and patient-reported outcomes of ultra-wide dental implants placed immediately after extraction in the first lower molar region.

Ethics approval required

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Ethics approval(s)

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Primary study design

Interventional

Study design

Prospective open-label single-arm interventional clinical study

Study type(s)

Quality of life, Treatment

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Immediate implant placement (IIP)

Interventions

All enrolled participants (singlearm cohort) will undergo atraumatic, flapless extraction of the designated unrestorable mandibular or maxillary molar using sectioning techniques to preserve all four socket walls. A patientspecific surgical guide (designed from preoperative CBCT and intraoral scan data) will be seated and verified for fit before osteotomy preparation. Implant osteotomies will be prepared according to the manufacturer's protocol for the ultra-wide dental implant, with sequential drilling under copious irrigation. The implant will be placed using a calibrated torque wrench.

Intervention Type

Procedure/Surgery

Primary outcome(s)

Implant success rate measured by the dental researcher 4 months after the first surgical stage, according to the Pisa consensus criteria of the International Congress of Oral Implantologists (ICOI)

Key secondary outcome(s)

1. Implant survival rate measured by the dental researcher, defined as the proportion of implants remaining functional and in situ (not lost or failed), during the study period
2. Days of impaired daily activity, measured using self-reported in a diary as the number of days the patient was unable to fully or partially perform daily activities, during the first postoperative week
3. Postoperative pain was assessed by measuring daily pain levels using a Visual Analogue Scale (VAS), and self-reporting of the number of analgesic tablets consumed, during the first postoperative week
4. Postoperative swelling (edema) was measured using a 4-point scale (0: none, 1: mild, 2: moderate, 3: severe) during the first postoperative week
5. Surgical and postoperative complications were assessed by measuring:
 - 5.1. Intraoperative: bleeding, injury to adjacent structures, implant displacement, buccal plate integrity (yes/no, reported by clinician/patient).
 - 5.2. Postoperative: early implant loss, bleeding, soft tissue dehiscence or infection at 1 week, 2 weeks, and 4 months
6. Marginal bone level (MBL): Measured mesially and distally using standardized digital radiographs (parallel technique with sensor holder), immediately after placement and after 4 months. Bone loss calculated with ImageJ software
7. Insertion torque: Maximum torque value recorded during implant placement (N·cm)
8. Implant stability (Resonance Frequency Analysis, RFA): Implant Stability Quotient (ISQ) values measured at 4 sites (mesial, distal, buccal, lingual) immediately after placement and at 4 months, averaged per implant
9. Osseointegration: measured using a reverse torque test (≤ 32 N·cm) after 4 months
10. Patient satisfaction: measured using a 5-point Likert scale (1: strongly agree, 5: strongly disagree) at 4 months post-surgery

11. Soft tissue biotype: Thin vs thick biotype assessed by probe transparency test at baseline and 4 months
12. Height of attached mucosa: Measured with periodontal probe at baseline, immediately post-surgery, and at 4 months
13. Mid-facial mucosal level: measured clinically relative to reference points (prosthesis margin or incisal edge) at baseline, immediately post-surgery, and after 4 months
14. Width of keratinized mucosa: measured distance from the gingival margin to the mucogingival junction, at baseline and after 4 months
15. Oral Health-Related Quality of Life: measured using the validated Arabic version of the Oral Health Impact Profile (OHIP-14) after 4 months

Completion date

10/05/2026

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

1. Presence of a permanent first mandibular molar indicated for extraction and immediate implant placement, with the extraction socket classified as Class I according to Elian et al. (2007)
2. Age ≥ 18 years
3. Presence of adjacent teeth to the tooth indicated for extraction.
4. Tooth indicated for extraction is free from acute infection (no periapical swelling or fistula)
5. Intact buccal plate at the extraction site, either before or after extraction
6. Absence of dehiscence or fenestration defects
7. Presence of ≥ 2 mm width of keratinized mucosa at the extraction/implant site
8. Good oral hygiene (plaque index $\leq 20\%$ according to the O'Leary index)

Participant type(s)

Healthy volunteer

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Adult

Lower age limit

18 Years

Upper age limit

45 Years

Sex

All

Key exclusion criteria

1. Systemic conditions: uncontrolled diabetes, bleeding or coagulation disorders, history of head and neck radiotherapy or chemotherapy within the last 6 months
2. Current use of medications affecting bone healing or oral surgery (e.g., corticosteroids, oral anticoagulants)

3. Patients who are smokers or alcohol-dependent
4. Pregnant or breastfeeding women

Date of first enrolment

01/10/2025

Date of final enrolment

18/12/2025

Locations

Countries of recruitment

Syria

Study participating centre

Damascus University, Faculty of Dental Medicine

Damascus

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Sponsor information

Organisation

Damascus University

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Funder type

University/education

Funder Name

Damascus University

Alternative Name(s)

University of Damascus, , DU

Funding Body Type

Government organisation

Funding Body Subtype

Universities (academic only)

Location

Syria

Results and Publications

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

The datasets generated during and/or analysed during the current study are/will be available upon reasonable request from the corresponding author after publication, Dr. Fouad Agha, aghafouad47@gmail.com

IPD sharing plan summary

Available on request