

CORONAL RECONSTRUCTION OF A SEVERELY COMPROMISED CENTRAL INCISOR WITH COMPOSITE RESINS: A CASE REPORT



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ABSTRACT

This article presents the reader with factors to consider when restoring maxillary anterior dentition with direct composite resin veneers. In particular, the restoration of a severely discolored and fractured maxillary central incisor is demonstrated with the use of a direct approach and an integrated system of composite resins that replicate the internal structures of the tooth—specifically dentin and enamel. By observing a systematic layering technique, the reader will become familiar with the manner in which these materials can be manipulated to mimic the shade, properties, color, and form of natural dentition, while promoting responsible esthetics.

The decision regarding which modality is best suited for the patient can only be made following a comprehensive clinical examination that includes an esthetic evaluation and discussion with the patient.

INTRODUCTION

Diagnosing the extent of esthetic and functional compromise of an upper anterior tooth and recommending the ideal treatment is dependent upon judicious evaluations of the clinical situation. In cases of severely discolored and broken down teeth, full-coverage or partial-coverage porcelain restorations have been the standard

