

Connective Contour™: aumento del volumen y del área de contacto de los tejidos blandos

Una de las características básicas del Astra Tech BioManagement Complex™ es el Connective Contour™. Este contorno único incrementa el volumen y la zona de contacto del tejido blando, y se crea al conectar el pilar al implante. Este diseño forma parte del Astra Tech Implant System™ desde 1985, por lo que toda la documentación clínica disponible sobre los implantes Astra Tech incluye resultados sobre esta característica básica. Esta revisión se centra en la documentación que evalúa el tejido periimplantario ya que obtener un buen resultado a nivel de tejidos blandos es esencial para la estética a largo plazo.

El tejido blando periimplantario está en contacto directo con el Connective Contour¹⁻³ y como resultado de la habilidad de soportar cargas y movimientos externos se consigue una elevada estabilidad mecánica de este tejido. El aumento del volumen de tejido blando conlleva una reducción de la translucencia en vestibular con lo que se mejora la estética. Otro beneficio del Connective Contour es la habilidad del tejido blando periimplantario formado para sellar y proteger el hueso marginal².

La anchura sugerida del tejido blando periimplantario (es decir, el espacio biológico) es de unos 3 mm, incluyendo el epitelio de unión, que requiere hasta 2 mm^{1, 4-9}. El diseño del Connective Contour permite el establecimiento de un espacio biológico sano, requisito previo para un hueso marginal estable*. Varios estudios clínicos con el Astra Tech Implant System reportan buenos resultados estéticos y satisfacción de los pacientes¹⁰⁻²⁸. Mediante una cuidadosa selección de los pilares se puede conseguir una estética excelente y mantenida, incluyendo una estable o incluso aumentada dimensión de los tejidos blandos y de la altura de papilas^{10-19, 21, 28-36}.

*Para más información sobre la literatura relativa al mantenimiento de los niveles de hueso marginal con el Astra Tech Implant System, consulte la revisión científica sobre mantenimiento de hueso marginal.

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