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SEPARATED INSTRUMENTS: EVIDENCE-BASED APPROACH TO MANAGEMENT AND PROGNOSIS

Instrument separation can occur during everyday practice. It is one of the most frustrating situations for both the dentist and the patient. Retrieval of such broken instruments presents a great challenge even for the most experienced clinician. The integration of technologies like surgical microscopes, ultrasonics, and CBCT made the removal of such broken instruments a more reliable procedure. An up-to-date literature review on the prevalence, prevention, causes, and prognosis of separated instruments will be covered in this lecture. Different cases with broken instruments where management was possible will be included. The prognosis of these cases with follow-up radiographs up to ten years will be presented. In conclusion, participants should be able to:

- 1. List the factors affecting the clinician's ability to successfully remove broken instruments.
- 2. Evaluate Different methods used for retrieval with special reference to their advantages and limitations.
- 3. Master ultrasonic retrieval of broken instruments.
- 4. Execute bypass of broken instruments.

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