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In this episode we discuss:

Restorability is subjective - are there any objective criteria we can rely on?

Implants vs teeth - implants are not a panacea. Implant systems go obsolete, teeth are timeless

Importance of informing patients and managing expectations

What to do in scenarios where one wall of a molar is completely missing - how would YOU restore it? A few case examples discussed

Importance of the pulp for proprioception

Importance of both the vertical and HORIZONTAL FERRULE

How do you manage patients with asymptomatic cracked teeth?

Influence of parafunction on predictability and restorability

Partial exodontia technique

Implants vs teeth - advantages of teeth over implants

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Aws Alani qualified in 2003 from King's College London. He completed vocational training in Essex and held junior hospital positions at Guy's Hospital and King's College Hospital, before completing an MSc in Endodontics at the Eastman Dental Institute. He moved to Morriston Hospital in South Wales to work in the Maxillofacial Unit, initially as a Senior House Officer before becoming a Specialist Registrar. After three years in Wales he moved to Newcastle, where he completed his specialist training in Restorative Dentistry. During his training he completed relief work trips to Romania and Ghana with 'Young Smiles for Romania' and 'Global Brigades'.

In 2013 Aws became the International Team for Implantology Scholar in Toronto, Canada, working at the Hospital for Sick Children and Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital. He returned to London in 2014 to become a full time Consultant in Restorative Dentistry at King's College Hospital. His main remit is the management of congenital and acquired defects within an MDT environment, working alongside Paediatric Dentistry and Orthodontics.

He has published over 40 peer reviewed papers and maintains an active interest in current clinical issues and research. He has won grants from the British Endodontic Society and the Royal College of Surgeons to examine novel tooth filling materials. He is a previous British



Society of Restorative Dentistry and British Endodontic Society council member. He recently completed a Masters Degree in Medical Law; his dissertation was titled 'Social Media and the Dental Patient: A medicolegal perspective'. He is the course director for the Diploma in Operative Dentistry at KCL which looks to upskill in a multifaceted manner through seminars, hands on simulated exercises and clinical treatment. More information on the course can be found [here](#).

He has built 4 separate websites from scratch, his most recent platform (www.restoratedentistry.org) has over 100,000 reads and is subscribed to by dentists from all over the world. He administers 4 dental facebook groups, the largest of which has 28,000 members.

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