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#### **RESUMO**

As resinas compostas tem sido amplamente utilizadas ao longo dos anos nas restaurações de dentes posteriores. No entanto, os materiais resinosos apresentam característica inerente, a contração de polimerização que pode ser associada à manifestações clínicas indesejáveis como sensibilidade pós-operatória, infiltração marginal e cáries recorrentes. O objetivo geral deste estudo foi investigar a influência de fatores como carregamento oclusal, propriedades mecânicas dos materiais, uso de forramento cavitário, condições de ambiente e técnica restauradora no comportamento biomecânico de restaurações em resina composta em dentes posteriores por meio de estudos laboratoriais e computacionais. Este estudo foi dividido em cinco objetivos específicos; objetivo 1: investigar o efeito da condição de carregamento oclusal e das propriedades mecânicas de resinas compostas nas tensões de contração de polimerização de resinas compostas em pré-molares; objetivo 2: investigar o efeito das condições ambientais, determinadas pela temperatura e umidade, nas propriedades mecânicas e no comportamento biomecânico de molares com restaurações diretas extensas em resina composta; objetivo 3: investigar o efeito do uso de base de ionômero de vidro como protetor pulpar e da técnica de inserção de resina composta no comportamento biomecânico de restaurações molares com restaurações diretas extensão em resina composta, especificamente na deformação de cúspide em diferentes momentos e o reflexo na resistência à fratura; objetivo 4: investigar o efeito dos mesmos parâmetros avaliados no objetivo 3 nas propriedades mecânicas dos materiais restauradores, adaptação marginal e geração de tensões de contração de polimerização; objetivo 5: gerar síntese dos achados dos objetivos 1, 2, 3 e 4 em um artigo de comunicação aos clínicos brasileiros cumprindo a função social da geração do conhecimento. Os métodos experimentais utilizados foram extensometria para deformação de cúspide e para cálculo de contração pós-gel, fadiga térmica e mecânica, resistência à fratura, teste de microtração, microscopia eletrônica de varredura para análise de modo de fratura e adaptação marginal, teste de indentação dinâmico para cálculo de dureza Vickers e módulo elástico, teste de indentação para cálculo de dureza Knoop, análise por elementos finitos 2D e 3D. Após análise estatística dos resultados pode-se concluir que materiais com

maiores valores de módulo elástico causam maiores tensões de contração; contato oclusal localizado na margem da restauração de resina composta posterior aumentam as tensões geradas na interface; o carregamento oclusal aumenta os níveis de tensões em dentes restaurados mesmo quando utilizados resinas composta de baixos valores de contração de polimerização; contatos oclusais estáveis no centro da restauração resultaram em melhor distribuição de tensões; umidade e temperatura que simulam as condições de ambiente oral afetam significativamente a contração pós-gel, módulo de elasticidade, deformação de cúspide, resistência adesiva e tensões de contração em dentes com restaurações diretas em resinas compostas; simulação do ambiente bucal deve ser realizada nos testes de laboratório para avaliar estes parâmetros biomecânicos; a ordem de preenchimento dos incrementos de resina composta, se iniciado pelas caixas proximais ou pela cúspide vestibular, não influenciou na deformação de cúspide, resistência à fratura, modo de fratura, adaptação marginal e tensões geradas de molares restaurados com resina composta; a deformação de cúspide e as tensões de contração diminuíram com a presença de ionômero de vidro modificado por resina usado como proteção do complexo dentinho-pulpar em restaurações material de posteriores; a resistência à fratura e modo de fratura não foram influenciados pela presença de material de base em molares restaurados com resina composta; a margem restauradora com maior desadaptação em molares classe II MOD é a margem gengival. O clínico deve se ater as condições de controle técnico e fazer uso de materiais restauradores adequados em termos de propriedades mecânicas e contração de polimerização objetivando potencializar o sucesso de restaurações diretas em resina composta em dentes posteriores.

# ABSTRACT

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#### **ABSTRACT**

The composite resins have been widely used over years in posterior restorations. However, the composite resins have an inherent characteristic called polymerization shrinkage which may be associated with undesirable clinical manifestations such as post-operative sensitivity, microleakage and recurrent caries. The aim of this study was to investigate the influence of some factors such as occlusal loading, restorative technique, mechanical properties of materials, use of liner and environment conditions on the biomechanical behavior of direct composite resin restorations in posterior teeth through laboratory and computational studies. This study was divided into five specific objectives; objective 1: To investigate the effect of occlusal loading and mechanical properties of composites on shrinkage stress in premolars; objective 2: To investigate the effect of environmental conditions, such as temperature and humidity, mechanical properties on biomechanical behavior of molars with class II MOD; objective 3: to investigate the effect of glass ionomer resin liner and filling technique on biomechanical behavior of class II MOD composite resin restoration, specifically analysing cuspal strain by strain gage test, termal and mechanical fatigue and fracture resistance; objective 4: to investigate the effect of the same parameters of objective 3 on mechanical properties of restorative materials, marginal adaptation and shrinkage stress distribution; objetivo 5: To generate an article with all conclusions about shrinkage and posterior restorations by the Brazilian clinical communication contributing with the social function of knowledge generation. The methods used on the all studies were cuspal strain by strain gage test, post-gel measurments by strain gage test, thermal and mechanical fatigue, fracture resistance, marginal adaptation and fracture mode under scanning electron microscopy, dynamic indentation test for calculation of Vickers Hardness and elastic modulus, indentation test for hardness Knoop calculation, finite element analysis 2D and 3D. After data analysis it can be concluded that materials with higher elastic modulus cause greater shrinkage stress; occlusal loading on the margin of restoration cause great stress concentration at interface; occlusal stable contact in the center of restoration cause low stress concentration; high temperature and humidity affect the post-gel shrinkage, elastic modulus, cuspal strain, bond strength and stress shrinkage in the teeth restored with direct composite resins; the simulation of oral environment should be performed in laboratory tests to evaluate the shrinkage and cuspal strain; the order of filling technique, represented by sequence of the oblique increments, had no influence the cuspal strain, fracture resistance, fracture mode, marginal adaptation and stress distribution in molars restored with composite resin; cuspal strain and shrinkage stress decreased significantly with the presence of resin modified glass ionomer resin liner in direct posterior composite resin restorations; the fracture resistance and fracture mode was not influenced by the presence of liner in molars restored with composite resin; gingival margin had higher gap formation than proximal margins in molar restored with direct composite resin restoration.

# NTRODUÇÃO E REFERENCIAL TEÓRICO

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#### 1. INTRODUÇÃO E REFERENCIAL TEÓRICO

As resinas compostas representam classe de materiais amplamente utilizados na odontologia restauradora. Além de propriedades estéticas aceitáveis, as resinas apresentam adesão às estruturas dentais permitindo maior preservação dos tecidos sadios (Ferracane et al., 2011). No entanto, uma característica inerente aos materiais poliméricos conhecida como contração de polimerização ainda constitui problema relevante destes materiais podendo causar tensões residuais no remanescente dental mesmo quando não está em função mastigatória (Versluis et al., 2011, Soares et al., 2013, Bicalho et al., 2014a, Bicalho et al., 2014b). A contração de polimerização pode ser dividida em duas fases relacionadas com o desenvolvimento do módulo de elasticidade, fase pré-gel e fase pós-gel (Davidson et al., 1984; Feilzer et al., 1990). Na fase de pré-gel o material é capaz de fluir, aliviando as tensões no interior da restauração (Versluis & Tantbirojn, 2009). Após a geleificação do material as tensões são geradas devido ao aumento no módulo de elasticidade, assim, a rigidez resulta em transferência das tensões para a estrutura ou interface dente/restauração (Versluis & Tantbirojn, 2009).

A presença de tensões residuais resulta na mudança do comportamento do dente restaurado e vários sinais clínicos podem estar associados, como geração de fendas marginais, propagação de microfissuras no esmalte, sensibilidade pós-operatória, infiltração e cáries secundárias (Bausch *et al.*, 1982, Jensen & Chan, 1985). Sendo este um dos fatores determinantes pela grande substituição destas restaurações (Kopperud *et al.*, 2012). As cargas mastigatórias podem gerar processo de fadiga que contribui para a concentração de tensões no complexo restaurador e interfaces, acentuando a ocorrência destes sinais e sintomas (Versluis *et al.*, 2011).

As propriedades mecânicas das resinas compostas usadas nos dentes posteriores devem atender aos princípios de resistência e adesão suficiente para suportar cargas mastigatórias (Soares et al., 2013). O mecanismo mais moderno usado pelas indústrias para criar novos compósitos envolve modificações em componentes monoméricos e na quantidade de cargas. Monômeros como bis-GMA e TEGDMA podem apresentar até 12,5% de contração volumétrica. Este valor pode ser reduzido com o acréscimo de

partículas inorgânicas (Labella et al., 1999). A contração de polimerização é dependente da concentração da carga, das características de polimerização, do volume dos incrementos e do tamanho da cavidade (Petrovic & Atanackovic, 2008; Ferracane et al., 2005; Soares et al., 2013; Bicalho et al., 2014a; Bicalho et al., 2014b). O volume dos incrementos inseridos em cavidade posterior deve ser o suficiente para que as propriedades mecânicas como módulo elástico e dureza, sejam mantidas satisfatoriamente. O uso de incrementos de 2 mm de espessura atendem bem a estes requisitos (Bicalho et al., 2014a e Bicalho et al., 2014b). Incrementos muito pequenos devem ser evitados por resultarem em somatória de contração a cada polimerização realizada no processo restaurador, aumentando as tensões geradas e as deflexões de cúspides (Bicalho et al., 2014a e Bicalho et al., 2014b). Em cavidades extensas estes fatores inerentes ao material se associam a determinantes clínicos de extensão do preparo, localização do dente no arco dental e a intensidade de carga aplicada. Estes fatores podem potencializar o desgaste ou fratura destas restaurações. O desgaste abrasivo é um processo natural que ocorre sempre que se movem duas superfícies em contato. Por outro lado, a fratura marginal em dentes posteriores restaurados com resina composta tem sido relatada em muitos estudos clínicos (Mjor et al., 1992; Bryant et al., 1992). Assim, oclusão balanceada parece ser fator chave para minimizar estas duas intercorrências que interferem no sucesso de restaurações em dentes posteriores (Versluis & Darannee, 2009).

Para mensurar a contração de polimerização de resinas compostas tem sido empregado dilatômetros de mercúrio (Boaro *et al.*, 2010) e métodos transdutores (Watts & Cash, 1991). No entanto, estas técnicas fornecem apenas valores de contração volumétrica total. Uma versão modificada do método de extensometria tem sido usado para determinar a contração pós-gel de compósitos, (Sakaguchi *et al.*, 1991; Soares *et al.*, 2013; Bicalho *et al.*, 2014a), que é a fase onde as tensões são desenvolvidas (Versluis & Tantbirojn, 2009). Deformação de cúspide gerada pela contração de resinas compostas em dentes posteriores também tem sido medida experimentalmente com extensômetros (Bicalho *et al.*, 2014a). Neste contexto, a interação entre o ambiente térmico e umidade pode ter efeito negativo sobre os materiais restauradores poliméricos (El-Safty *et al.*, 2013). O aumento da temperatura

diminui a viscosidade da resina composta, desta forma há também aumento do volume livre e melhora da molhabilidade molecular. O aumento do grau de conversão é normalmente acompanhado por aumento da contração de polimerização (Watts & Alnazzawia et al., 2014; Shah & Stansbury et al., 2014). Todos os métodos utilizados para medir a deformação de cúspide ou contração pós-gel são realizados em temperatura ambiente (23°C) e humidade ambiente (50%), sendo que na realidade clínica estes materiais estão submetidos à condições de umidade e temperatura mais elevadas, principalmente quando o isolamento absoluto não é utilizado.

Protocolos clínicos e materiais restauradores têm sido desenvolvidos para minimizar a contração de polimerização e tensão nos dentes posteriores. Técnicas de preenchimento têm sido frequentemente indicadas para diminuir os efeitos da contração de polimerização e das tensões geradas (Bicalho *et al.*, 2014a; Bicalho *et al.*, 2014b). Para atuar de forma sinérgica na redução dos efeitos colaterais indesejados da contração de polimerização e ainda minimizar os efeitos biológicos em cavidades profundas, uma camada intermediária entre a resina composta e a parede pulpar tem sido proposta. Materiais ionoméricos convencional ou modificado por resina tem sido recomendados como material intermediário (Kwon *et al.*, 2010). Eles substituem parte do volume de resina composta, podendo reduzir consequentemente os efeitos colaterais da contração de polimerização.

As restaurações classe II MOD são convencionalmente restauradas iniciando-se a inserção dos incrementos pelas caixas proximais, desta forma a classe II transforma-se em uma classe I, sendo posterior finalizada a restauração (Peutzfeldt & Asmussen *et al.*, 2004). Esta forma é descrita na literatura como facilitador da execução da escultura anatômica do dente. No entanto pouco se relata na literatura sobre benefícios ou malefícios da ordem de inserção destes incrementos na contração de polimerização do material e deformação de cúspide. Pode-se especular que a transformação inicial de uma cavidade classe II em cavidade classe I, reduzindo o "compliance" da cavidade poderia resultar em maior geração de tensões de contração de polimerização. Por outro lado a inserção inicial em apenas uma das cúspides pode gerar maior dificuldade de inserção posterior nas paredes gengivais das caixas proximais o que poderia refletir em maior desadaptação, defeitos marginais e maior

inclusão de bolhas no interior da resina composta. A definição da sequência de inserção dos incrementos deve ser estudada para verificação de possíveis vantagens e desvantagens relacionadas aos efeitos da contração de polimerização.

A Odontologia Brasileira tem se destacado pela crescente produção intelectual de forma quantitativa e qualitativa representando hoje o segundo país mais produtivo na odontologia Mundial (Scariot *et al.*, 2011). Porém não se acompanha na mesma intensidade a divulgação de conhecimento com evidência científica comprovada internacional aos clínicos brasileiros. Os eventos científicos nacionais têm se tornado cada vez mais foco de divulgação mercantil de produtos sem se ater a divulgação de técnicas e aspectos básicos da ciência dos materiais que tragam imediato benefício à prática clínica. Revistas nacionais, publicadas na língua portuguesa, de ampla tiragem que cheguem aos consultórios odontológicos deve ser um horizonte para que de forma complementar possa divulgar os principais achados científicos que são pesquisados nas Universidades Brasileiras.

Desta forma, parece pertinente utilizar associação de metodologias não destrutivos e destrutivas à métodos computacionais para analisar de forma integradas e progressiva diferentes fatores envolvidos na confecção de restaurações de dentes posteriores em resina composta. Como isso gerando artigos a serem submetidos aos periódicos de alto fator de impacto da odontologia mundial e ao mesmo tempo gerar síntese destes achados em artigo de comunicação aos clínicos brasileiros cumprindo a função social da geração do conhecimento.

# **O**BJETIVOS

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#### 2. OBJETIVOS

#### **Objetivo Geral**

Avaliar o efeito de parâmetros técnicos dos materiais restauradores envolvidos no comportamento biomecânico de restaurações posteriores em resinas compostas

#### **Objetivos específicos**

Objetivo específico 1

Capítulo 1 - Effect of occlusal loading and mechanical properties of composite resin on stress generated in posterior restoration

O objetivo deste estudo foi investigar o efeito da condição de carregamento oclusal e das propriedades mecânicas de resinas compostas nas tensões de contração de polimerização de resinas compostas em pré-molares.

#### Objetivo específico 2

Capítulo 2 - Effect of temperature and humidity on post-gel shrinkage, cusp deformation, bond strength and shrinkage stress - Construction of equipment to simulate oral environment

O objetivo deste estudo foi investigar o efeito das condições ambientais, determinadas pela temperatura e umidade, nas propriedades mecânicas e no comportamento biomecânico de molares com restaurações diretas extensas em resina composta.

#### Objetivo específico 3

Capítulo 3 – Effect of glass ionomer liner and filling technique on biomechanics performance of posterior composite restoration – Part I, cuspal strain, fracture resistance and fracture mode.

O objetivo deste estudo foi investigar o efeito biomecânico do uso de ionômero de vidro modificado por resina como protetor pulpar e da técnica de inserção de resina composta, representada pela sequência dos incrementos, no comportamento biomecânico de restaurações diretas extensas em resina compostas confeccionadas em molares. Especificamente na deformação de cúspide, na resistência e modo de fratura.

#### Objetivo específico 4

Capítulo 4 - Effect of glass ionomer liner and filling technique on biomechanics performance of posterior composite restoration Part II – marginal adaptation, mechanical properties and stress distributions.

O objetivo deste estudo foi investigar o efeito biomecânicos dos mesmos parâmetros avaliados no objetivo específico 3, especificamente nas propriedades da restauração, adaptação marginal e geração de tensões de contração de polimerização.

#### Objetivo específico 5

Capítulo 5 - Restaurações de resinas compostas em dentes posteriores – Controlando os efeitos da contração de polimerização

O objetivo deste trabalho foi gerar uma síntese dos achados dos objetivos 1, 2, 3 e 4 compilados em um artigo de comunicação aos clínicos brasileiros cumprindo a função social da geração do conhecimento.



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Effect of occlusal loading and mechanical properties of composite resin on stress generated in posterior restoration

Objectives. The aim of this study was to investigate the effect of occlusal load condition in association with the mechanical properties of resin composite, expressed by elastic modulus and post-gel shrinkage, on stresses in a premolar restored with various composite resins. *Methods*. Five resin composites (4 Seasons, Ivoclar-Vivadent; Beaultifil II, Shofu; Filtek LS, Filtek Z250, and Z100, 3M-ESPE) indicated for restoring posterior teeth were tested. Elastic modulus was measured using Knoop indentation tests (n=5). Post-gel shrinkage was measured with strain gauges (n=10). Finite element analysis was used to calculate the stresses in a two-dimensional pre-molar model under 4 conditions: Wc, without occlusal contact, representing stresses due to composite shrinkage only; Ct, contact generated between enamel of restored tooth with antagonist tooth; Cm, contact on tooth/composite restoration margin; Cc, stable centric contact on the composite restoration. Results. Elastic modulus varied between 12.6 (Filtek LS) and 21.5 (Z100) GPa; post-gel shrinkage varied between 0.11 (Filtek LS) and 0.96 (Z100) vol%. Composites with higher elastic modulus and post-gel shrinkage increased stress in the restored tooth. Occlusal contact on the tooth/composite restoration margin increased the stresses around the margin of the restoration. Stable centric contact on the restoration resulted in better stress distribution.

Clinical Significance. Stresses in the restored tooth increased with increasing elastic modulus and post-gel shrinkage. Contact close to the restoration margin increased the local stress concentration regardless of composite properties. Occlusal adjustment after posterior restoration to prevent contact at the margin is important to improve stress distribution and preserve the restoration integrity.

#### Introduction

Resin composites represent a class of materials widely used in restorative dentistry. Besides aesthetic quality, resin composites can be directly bonded to tooth structure without unnecessary removal of healthy tissues.<sup>1</sup> However, composite materials shrink during polymerization, which may cause residual stresses in restored teeth even when not in function.<sup>2,3</sup>

Residual stresses can alter the behavior of a restored tooth, such as causing cusp deflection.<sup>4,5</sup> This may affect clinical performance and play a role in clinical symptoms associated with shrinkage stresses, such as inadequate adaptation, microcrack propagation, marginal loss, post-operative sensitivity, microleakage, and secondary caries.<sup>6,7</sup> These clinical consequences may not be noticeable until functioning, when new stress concentrations are created by adding cyclic masticatory loads to pre-stressed restored teeth.<sup>2</sup>

Polymerization shrinkage is unavoidable due to the composition of restorative composites a mixture of monomers and ceramic fillers. Monomers like Bis-GMA and TEGDMA exhibit up to 12.5% volumetric shrinkage. Shrinkage reduces to 2-6% when fillers are added. New polymer technology can reduce shrinkage further. For example, novel silorane monomers have polymerization shrinkage values of less than 1% using cationic ring-opening polymerization. This lower shrinkage reportedly decreased shrinkage stress by 27% compared to methacrylate-based composites. Filler particle size and shape in the composites can also affect the shrinkage values, Filler particle size and shape in the composites can also affect the shrinkage values, the cause volume contraction depends on filler concentration, polymerization characteristics, restorative procedure, and light intensity used for photoactivation (Petrovic & Atanackovic, 2008; Ferracane, 2005; Soares et al. 2013; Bicalho et al. 2014b). The composition of th

Although shrinkage is an important consideration in the development of new restorative composites, other properties should also be considered. Mechanical properties of composites used in posterior teeth should be able to support masticatory loading and re-establish the restorative function.<sup>3</sup> Occlusal contacts in the occlusal margin are likely to be a major factor in marginal fractures.<sup>15-18</sup> These fractures have also been associated with sensitivity, recurrent caries and failure of a restoration. Considering that shrinkage stresses are often also concentrated at the occlusal margin,<sup>17</sup> the combination of shrinkage stresses and occlusal loading may be a determining factor in the mechanical performance of a restorative complex.

Few have studied the dynamic generation of stresses in composite restorations with consideration of polymerization shrinkage, mechanical properties and occlusal contacts. The purpose of this study was to explore the effects of the occlusal contact loading of posterior teeth restored with various composite resins, representing mechanical and shrinkage properties. The null hypothesis was that the different composites would not influence stress conditions during occlusal contact movements.

#### **Materials and Methods**

Five dental composites indicated by manufactures for restoring posterior teeth were tested in this study (Table 1).

#### Post-gel shrinkage measurements

Composite post-gel shrinkage was determined using the strain gauge method similar as previously described. The composite was shaped into a hemisphere (N = 10), about 1.5 mm high and 3 to 4 mm wide, placed on top of a biaxial strain gauge (CEA-06-032WT-120, Measurements Group, Raleigh, NC, USA) that measured shrinkage strains in two perpendicular directions. The perpendicular strains were

averaged since the material properties were homogeneous and isotropic on a macro scale. The composite was light-cured using a quartz-tungsten-halogen (QTH) unit (XL2500, 3M ESPE, St Paul, MN, USA) with the light tip placed at 1 mm distance from the surface of the composite. The radiant exposure was set at 24 J/cm<sup>2</sup> (600 mW/cm<sup>2</sup> × 40 s). A strain conditioner (2101A Series, Micro Measurements Group) converted electrical resistance changes in the strain gauge to voltage changes through a quarter-bridge circuit with an internal reference resistance. Microstrain resulting from polymerization shrinkage was monitored for 10 min, starting from the beginning of photoactivation. The post-gel shrinkage value at 10 min was used in the finite element analysis. The mean shrinkage strain, which is the linear shrinkage was converted to percentage and multiplied by three to obtain the volumetric shrinkage. One-way ANOVA followed by Tukey HSD post-hoc tests ( $\alpha$ = .05) were used to determine the statistical significance among the post-gel shrinkage values for the different composite resins.

#### Elastic modulus determination

Elastic modulus was determined using the Knoop indentation method.<sup>21</sup> A 2 mm thick stone mold with a 5 mm diameter circular opening was used to fabricate the test specimens. The stone mold was placed on a glass slide, and filled with dental composite. Another glass slide was placed on top of the mold to cover the composite. Digital pressure was applied on the glass slide to obtain a smooth flat surface. The composite was light activated for 40 seconds through both top and bottom glass slides (XL 2500, 3M ESPE). Five Knoop indentations were made to obtain an average value for each sample (N = 5). To calculate elastic modulus from Knoop indentation, the

decrease in the length of the indentation diagonals caused by elastic recovery of a material is related to the hardness/modulus ratio H/E by equation:

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where b/a is the ratio of the diagonal dimensions a and b, in the fully loaded state, given by a by a constant 0.140647. b'/a' is the ratio of the altered dimensions when fully recovered and  $a\mathbf{1} = 0.45$  is a proportionality constant. One-way ANOVA followed by Tukey HSD post-hoc tests ( $\alpha$ = .05) were used for the statistical analysis of elastic modulus.

#### Finite element stress analysis

To calculate residual stresses in the tooth, a two-dimensional finite element simulation was carried out of an MOD-cavity with the cavity floor in dentin. The geometrical model was based on a digitized bucco-lingual cross section of a maxillary premolar (Figure 1). Coordinates were obtained using ImageJ software (public domain, Java-based image processing and analysis software developed at the National Institutes of Health, USA). The cross-section was meshed using plane strain elements for the tooth structure and plane stress elements for the composite (linear, four-nodes, isoparametric, and arbitrary quadrilateral). Only the cervical portion of the root was simulated since the rest of the root did not affect the coronal stress distribution.<sup>3</sup> A simplified boundary condition was assumed at the cut-plane of the root (fixed zerodisplacements in both horizontal and vertical directions). The elastic modulus of enamel was 84 GPa (principal direction, perpendicular to the pulp surface) and 42 GPa in transverse directions, with Poisson's ratio of 0.30. The dentin elastic modulus was 18 GPa and the Poisson's ratio 0.23.22 The shrinkage and elastic modulus values of the composites were obtained from the experimental data. The Poisson's ratios were chosen to be the same for all composites at 0.24. Polymerization shrinkage was simulated by

thermal analogy. Temperature was reduced by 1°C, while the linear shrinkage value was entered as the coefficient of linear thermal expansion.

A premolar antagonist was created to simulate a dynamic loading from an occlusal masticatory movement. Figure 1 shows the dimensions of the antagonist cusp. The applied properties (enamel and dentin) were the same as for the restored tooth, while the boundary conditions were also placed on the cut-plane of the root. Displacements (stroke) on horizontal direction were prescribed while the tooth was left to move freely in vertical direction but no rotation was allowed. A vertical load of 20N was applied to simulate the masticatory biting/chewing force. Coefficient of friction was 0.25.

The finite element stress analysis was performed using MSC.Mentat (pre- and post-processor) and MSC.Marc (solver) software (MSC Software Corporation, Santa Ana, CA, USA). Modified von Mises equivalent stresses were used to express the stress state. This is a modification of the well-known von Mises criterion to account for materials that have different strengths in compression and tension.<sup>22</sup> The compressive-tensile strength ratios used were 37.3, 3.0, and 6.25 for the enamel, dentin, and composite, respectively.<sup>23</sup> Four stress distributions were determined (Figure 2): Wc, without occlusal contact, representing the effect created by composite shrinkage only; Ct, contact generated between antagonist tooth and enamel of restored tooth next to the restoration margin; Cm, contact on the composite aspect of the restoration margin; Cc, stable contact on the composite restoration in the centric occlusion position.

#### Results

#### Post-gel shrinkage

The mean values and standard deviations for the post-gel shrinkage of the composites are presented in Table 2 in linear (microstrain) and volume-percent terms. One-way ANOVA revealed statistical difference among the composites (p < 0.001). The Tukey HSD test showed that Z100 had the highest mean shrinkage value (0.96  $\pm$  0.04%) and Filtek LS had the lowest value (0.11  $\pm$  0.01%).

#### Elastic modulus

Means and standard deviations for elastic modulus values of the composites are presented in Table 2. One-way ANOVA revealed statistical difference among the composites (p < 0.001). The Tukey HSD test showed that Z100 (21.5  $\pm$  1.3 GPa) had the highest elastic modulus and Filtek LS (12.6  $\pm$  1.3 GPa) had the lowest values.

#### Finite element analysis

Stress distributions for five composites and are shown in Figure 2. Z100 and Beautiful II caused the highest stress values, Filtek Z250 and 4 Seasons presented intermediate values, while Filtek LS generated the lowest stress values along the restoration interfaces, irrespective of type of loading. The occlusal contact on the tooth enamel intensified the cervical stresses of the loading cusp. The antagonist tooth contact in the centric position (contact in composite) resulted in more homogeneous stress distribution. Occlusal contact on the restoration margin increased the stress levels along the margin of the composite restoration. Higher post-gel shrinkage and elastic modulus resulted in higher polymerization stresses, irrespective of the contact condition.

#### **Discussion**

The aim of this study was to investigate how occlusal contact loading affects the stress conditions in a composite restored posterior tooth. The study showed that the magnitude of the stress depends on the occlusal contact type and on the post-gel shrinkage and elastic modulus of the restorative composite resins. Therefore the null hypothesis was rejected.

Posterior teeth are designed for preparation and processing of food through a biomechanical process. The anatomy of the maxillary and mandibular posterior teeth is modeled in nature to create the occlusal table suitable for masticatory function. Contacts between the antagonists occur during the functional activities of chewing.<sup>24</sup> Restoring a compromised tooth therefore implies re-establishing of the natural mechanical response and transfer of masticatory forces.<sup>2</sup> Although the entire dentition is exposed to mechanical forces, the occlusal stress is higher in the posterior teeth as compared to the anterior teeth.<sup>25,26</sup> Posterior composite restorations can therefore be expected to have a higher failure risk.

In this study, stresses in restored posterior teeth were analyzed using finite element analysis. The results showed that initially, without occlusal contact, stresses are generated inside the tooth model caused solely by the polymerization shrinkage. For given tooth and cavity properties and shapes, these stresses are mainly determined by elastic modulus and post-gel shrinkage of the composite material. The elastic modulus of composite generally increases with increasing filler content. Moreover, an increase in elastic modulus of the composite materials has also been attributed to increased bonding of the inorganic matrix to the fillers and shortening of polymer chains. <sup>27,28</sup> Ranking of the elastic modulus values of composites investigated in this study is similar to the reported filler content, which varied from 55 to 69% by volume. Results from finite

element analysis show increasing stress levels in the composite restoration with increasing elastic modulus. This is not surprising, since the stress value is a function of the elastic modulus and deformation. For the simulated conditions in this study, the deformation was represented mainly by the post-gel shrinkage. Figure 2 shows that Beautifull II and Z100 have similar elastic modulus values but the Z100 restoration causes higher shrinkage stresses due to its higher post-gel shrinkage (Table 2). It is important to note that stress values in the different composite materials should not be compared directly, because the significance of stress is related to the strength of a material. Stresses in the tooth tissues, on the other hand, can be compared between the different groups. The stress analysis showed that the residual shrinkage stresses in the tooth (enamel and dentin) increased with increasing elastic modulus and post-gel shrinkage of the composite.

Shrinkage stress concentrations were found at the margin of the restorations (Figure 3). These elevated stress conditions may contribute to marginal debonding and subsequently marginal discoloration. Marginal debonding of visible-light cured resin composites from dentin cavity walls due to polymerization shrinkage has long been identified as a major clinical concern. When teeth are brought into occlusal contact, stresses in the tooth-restoration complex can be locally moderated or enlarged by preexisting residual shrinkage stresses. Marginal integrity of restorative materials is important factor for the long-term performance of any restoration. Marginal fracture for resin-composites, especially close to occlusal contact areas has been reported by many clinical studies. Matts *et al.* Showed that the force-to-fracture increased linearly, for all materials, as the distance from the edge increased. The present study showed that the stress concentration generated by polymerization shrinkage in combination with occlusal contact close to the margin might contribute to this process.

Retrospective clinical evaluation showed that fracture of restorations was the main reason of failure in "occlusal-stress-risk" patients.<sup>30</sup> The residual shrinkage stress caused high stress concentrations on the restorative margins. On the other hand, if the occlusal contact is located at the margin of a composite restoration, the increased stress concentration may increase the risk of marginal fracture.

This study illustrated that composites that cause low shrinkage stresses in restored teeth generate stress concentrations at restoration margins leading to increased failure risks. Even if marginal deterioration is too small to be perceived clinically, it may increase retention of pigments, increasing marginal discoloration. As marginal staining can be confused with marginal caries, such restorations may be replaced prematurely. To decrease the risk of marginal failure, verification of occlusal contacts before and during cavity preparation is recommended to avoid occlusal contact on the interface of a restoration. Additionally, occlusal adjustment is recommended to eliminate possible composite resin excess in this area because premature or exaggerated contacts could also be responsible for post-operative sensitivity during mastication. Observing these clinical procedures with an understanding of the balance between mechanical properties offered by various composite resins may improve the clinical performance of posterior composite restorations.

#### Conclusions

Within the limitations of this in vitro study, the following conclusions were drawn:

- Elastic modulus and post-gel shrinkage varied significantly among the dental composites tested. Higher the post-gel and elastic modulus resulted in higher residual shrinkage stress.
- Occlusal contact increased stress levels in restored teeth, even when shrinkage stress was low.
- Occlusal contact located on the composite aspect of the restoration margin increased the stress at margin of the restoration.
- Stable occlusal centric contact on the composite restoration resulted in better stress distribution.

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## **Tables**

**Table 1 -** Dental composites tested in the study (information provided by the respective manufacturers).

Dental Composites	wt. %	vol. %	Filler type	Matrix	Manufacturer
Filtek LS	76	55	Quartz and Yttrium Fluoride (0.1 - 2.0 µm)	TEGDMA and ECHCPMS	3M-Espe, St. Paul, MN, USA
4 Seasons	76	58	Ba glass filler, ytterbium trifluoride, Ba-Al- fluorsilicate glass and high dispersed silica (0.01–2.0µm mean 0.6µm)	Bis-GMA, TEGMA and UDMA	Ivoclar- Vivadent, Schaan, Liechtenstein
Filtek Z250	84	60	Zirconia and silica (0.1 - 3.5 μm)	Bis-GMA, UDMA, Bis- EMA	3M-Espe, St. Paul, MN, USA
Beaultifil II	83	69	multi-functional glass and S-PRG filler based on fluoroboralumino silicate glass (0.01–4.0µm; mean 0.8µm)	Bis-GMA, TEGDMA	Shofu Dental Corp., Kyoto, Japan
<b>Z100</b>	85	66	Zirconia and silica (0.2 - 4.5 µm)	Bis-GMA and TEGDMA	3M-Espe, St. Paul, MN, USA

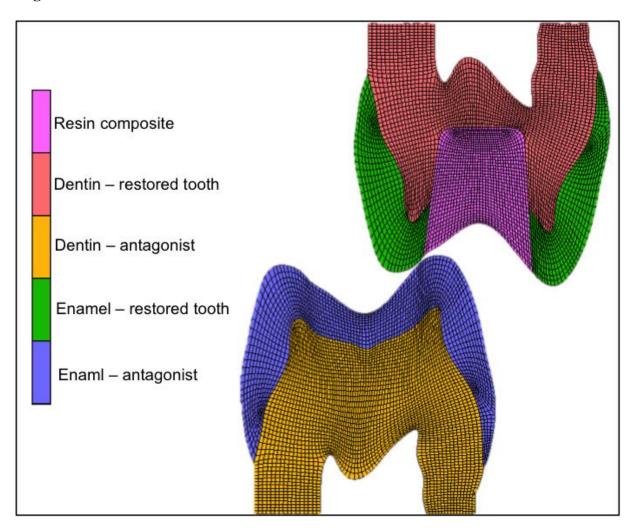
BisGMA, bisphenol-A glycol dimethacrylate; TEGDMA, triethylene glycol dimethacrylate; BisEMA, bisphenol-A hexaethoxylated dimethacrylate; UDMA, urethane dimethacrylate; ECHCPMS,3,4-epoxycyclohexylcyclopolymethylsiloxane.

**Table 2** – Mean and standard deviation of post-gel shrinkage (linear and volumetric), Knoop hardness, and elastic modulus. The volumetric shrinkage was obtained from the linear shrinkage, and the elastic modulus was calculated from the Knoop hardness.

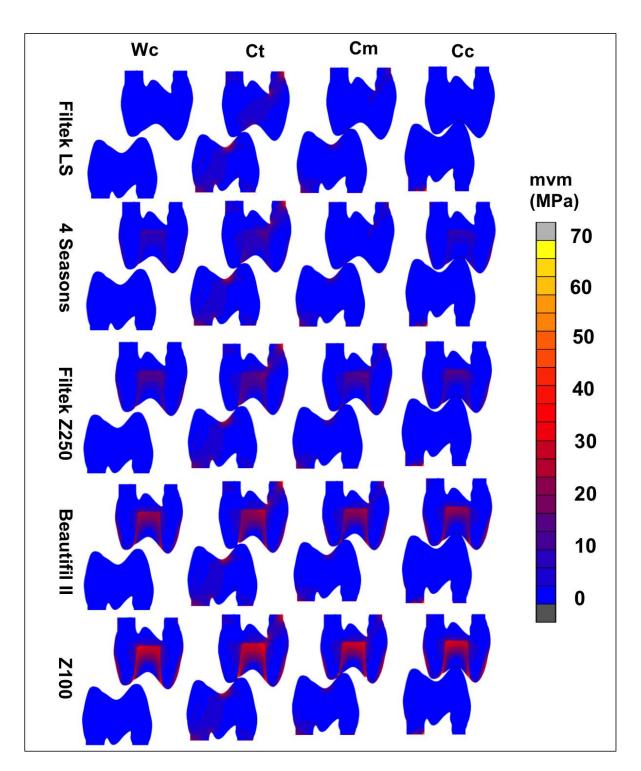
Dental composites	Post-gel shrinkage (microstrain)	Post-gel shrinkage (Vol-%)	Knoop hardness (KHN)	Elastic modulus (GPa)
Filtek LS	376 (45) <sup>A</sup>	$0.11 \pm 0.01$	51.3 (1.6) <sup>D</sup>	12.6 (1.3) <sup>D</sup>
4 Seasons	$1378 (282)^{B}$	$0.41 \pm 0.08$	41.8 (1.6) <sup>E</sup>	14.9 (1.4) <sup>C</sup>
Filtek Z250	1701(152) <sup>C</sup>	$0.51 \pm 0.05$	$81.0 (1.1)^{B}$	$18.7 (0.7)^{B}$
Beaultifill II	2642 (303) <sup>D</sup>	$0.78 \pm 0.8$	70.3 (1.5) <sup>C</sup>	21.3 (1.4) <sup>A</sup>
<b>Z100</b>	3215 (123) <sup>E</sup>	$0.96 \pm 0.04$	91.1(5.1) <sup>A</sup>	21.5 (1.3) <sup>A</sup>

Mean values with same superscript letters are not significantly different (significance level 0.05).

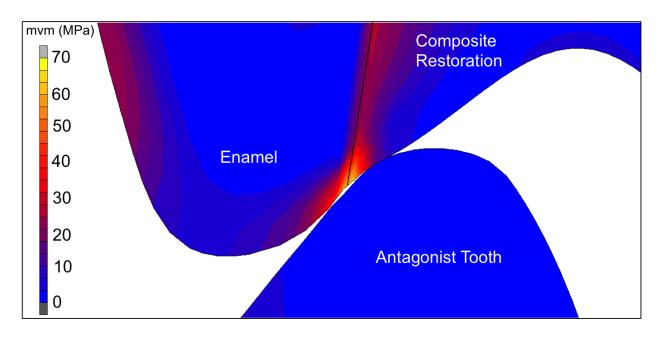
# Legends



**Figure 1.** Finite element mesh of the digitized premolar with composite restoration and simulated antagonist.



**Figure 2.** Stress distributions (modified von Mises equivalent stress) due to shrinkage and occlusal contact for the premolar restored with 5 dental composites. Wc, without occlusal contact; Ct, contact between enamel of restored tooth and antagonist tooth; Cm, contact on tooth/composite restoration margin; Cc, stable contact on the composite restoration.



**Figure 3.** Stress concentration (modified von Mises; MPa) detail at the restoration margin when the occlusal contact is on the composite aspect of the restoration margin ('Cm').



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#### **Abstract**

**Objectives:** to evaluate the effect of composite resins and environment condition on post-gel shrinkage (Shr), cuspal strains (CS), microtensile bond strength (µTBS), elastic modulus (E) and shrinkage stress of the composites in molars with large class II restorations.

**Methods:** The Sixty human molars received standardized Class II mesio-oclusal-distal cavity preparations. Restorations were made with two composites (CHA, Charisma Diamond, Heraus Kulzer and IPS Direct, Ivoclar-Vivadent) using three environment conditions (23°C/50% humidity, 37°C/50% humidity and 37°C/90% humidity) simulated in the specific equipment developed for this purpose. Shr was measured using the strain gauge technique (n=10). CS was measured using strain gauges. After, half of the teeth (n=5) were used to assess the elastic modulus (E) and Knoop hardness (KHN) at different depths using microhardness indentation. The other half (n=5) was used to measure the μTBS. Two composites and three environment conditions for restoring a molar were simulated in a two-dimensional FEA. Polymerization shrinkage was modeled using Shr data. The Shr, CS, μTBS, KHN and E data were statistically analyzed using two-way ANOVA and Tukey test (P = 0.05).

**Results:** Both composite presented similar Shr, CS, μTBS and shrinkage stress. CHA resin showed higher elastic modulus than IPS resin. The increasing of temperature and humidity increased significantly the Shr, CS and shrinkage stress. The μTBS were similar for groups with lower humidity irrespective of temperature and higher when compared to the higher humidity condition. Lingual cusp showed higher CS and shrinkage stress than buccal cusp. E and KHN were constant through the depth for CHA. The E and KHN values were affected by environment condition only for IPS resin, mainly in deeper region of the cavity.

Conclusions: Increasing the temperature and humidity at environment condition the caused higher post-gel shrinkage and cusp deformation values with higher stresses in the remaining tooth structure and tooth/restoration interface for both composites tested. The equipment developed for the simulation of oral environment conditions precisely helps in performance of the in vitro studies.

Clinical significance: The use of simulation of body temperature and humidity of the environment of the restorative is important to better determine the biomechanics behaviors of the composite resin restoration. Clinically avoiding the higher humidity at the restorative procedure environment, using rubber dam isolation reduces the cusp strain and shrinkage stress and improve the bonding strength of posterior composite restorations.

#### 1. Introduction

Composite resins are used every day in almost dental clinic to create posterior tooth-colored restorations. Even with major developments in new restorative materials, resin composites still present a volume reduction due to the polymerization shrinkage [1-3]. These materials are bonded to previously prepared dental cavities, so the polymerization shrinkage will lead to the generation of internal stresses, compromising the mechanical stability of the restoration and may lead to failure [4]. As a consequence is possible to verify verified cusp deflection, [2,3] that can result in enamel microcrack, [5] and marginal gap [6]. Theses consequences may result in post-operative sensitivity, discolored margins, recurrent caries and fractures in the restoration margins [7-9]. These findings are the main reason for the replacement of restorations nowadays [10].

Shrinkage is a characteristic of all polymers and can be divided in two phases related with the development of elastic modulus [11,12]. In the pre-gel phase the composite is able to flow, which relieves the stresses within the restoration [13]. After gelation the composite develops shrinkage stresses because of the increasing in elastic modulus, thus the rigidity of composite allows the stress transference from the tooth structure or tooth/restoration interface [13]. Mercury dilatometer [14] and transducer methods [15] have been used to measure the polymerization shrinkage. However these techniques provide only the total shrinkage values. An enhanced version of a previously reported strain gauge method has been used to determine the post-gel shrinkage, [1,2,16] which is the phase where stresses are developed [13]. Cusp deflection is also experimentally measured using strain gauge test [2] or using free to contact the receptors of the deflection measuring gauge [17].

The interaction between the thermal environment and moisture can have a detrimental effect on polymer-based restorative materials [18]. When the temperature

increase the resin composite viscosity decrease, increasing free volume and improving molecular mobility [19]. Increasing degree of conversion is normally accompanied by increased shrinkage [19,20]. All the methods used to measure cusp deflection or postgel shrinkage have tested this material property only with room temperature (23°C) and humidity (50%). However the mechanical properties of resin-composites are influenced not only by their chemical composition, but also by the environment to which they are exposed [21]. The adhesion to tooth substrate might reflect the contraction stress behavior of a composite resin during polymerization [2,22].

It is important to develop in vitro equipment with versatility for obtaining standardized post-gel shrinkage and cusp deformation values in different temperatures and humidity conditions. Therefore, the aim of this study was to test the efficiency of the new equipment to measure of post-gel shrinkage and cusp deflection or molars restores with two composite resins at different environmental conditions. The null hypothesis was that the restorative materials and environment conditions would not affect mechanical properties, cuspal deformation, bond strength and shrinkage stress in restored molars.

#### 2. Materials and Methods

Two resin composites and the dedicated adhesive system with manufactures indication for the restorations of posterior teeth were tested in this study wer IPS Direct e Charisma Diamond. The post-gel shrinkage and cusp deformation were tested at laboratorial environment temperature and humidity ( $22 \pm 2$  °C and  $50\pm 3$  % relative humidity); simulating the use of rubber dam, represented by the absolute isolation of operatory area (temperature:  $37\pm 2$ °C; and humidity:  $50\pm 3$ °C %), and simulating the oral environment without rubber dam (temperature:  $35\pm 2$ °C; and humidity:  $90\pm 3$ °C %).

## 2.1 Post-gel shrinkage and cusp deformation

The post-gel shrinkage was developed at Dentistry School of Federal University of Uberlandia, MG, Brazil. The principal components of the entire device were two precision mechanical micrometers and one dial indicator with a 0.01 mm accuracy (Mitutoyo Am. Corp., Ontario, Canada), a rod for supporting the light source, a stainless steel bases (25.0 mm x 25.0 mm x 4.0 mm - length x width x height) (10.0 mm x 10.0 mm x 5.0 mm - length x width x height), a mobile table which is coupled to two precision micrometers and a metal holder to keep the sample stable. It is advisable to use the machine over a plane and flat surface to avoid any risk of visual imperfections due to inclination.

The equipment has attached to the table control the system to specimen fixation to maintain the tooth stable during the restorative procedure. This device is in patent lawsuit. Then is possible to fix strain gauges at the external cusp surfaces measuring the cusp deformation. To measure the post-gel shrinkage one accessory was developed that consist in a cylindrical flat surface where the strain gauge is positioned and also with a light-cell fixed on. Therefore at the same time that composite shrinkage is recorded the

light intensity is monitored. The laboratorial environment temperature and humidity was obtained by the use of the equipment without the acrylic chamber ( $22^{\circ}$ C and 50% relative humidity – 22/50). The use or not of rubber dam was represented by the body temperature:  $37^{\circ}$ C and lower humidity, 50% (37/50) and high humidity, 90% (37/90).

### 2.2 Post-gel shrinkage measurements

Composite post-gel shrinkage was determined using the strain gauge method [1,23]. A Teflon matrix was made to standardize the volume of the composite resin increment before its insertion into the cavity. The composite (N = 10), was inserted into a matrix with 2 mm x 2 mm x 1 mm thickness and placed on top of a biaxial strain gauge shaped into a hemisphere about 1.5 mm high and 3 to 4 mm wide, placed on top of a biaxial strain gauge (CEA-06-032WT-120, Measurements Group, Raleigh, NC, USA). The perpendicular strains were averaged since the material properties were homogeneous and isotropic on a macro scale. The composite was light-cured using a quartz-tungsten-halogen (QTH) unit (XL2500, 3M ESPE, St Paul, MN, USA) with the light tip placed at 1 mm distance from the surface of the composite. The radiant exposure was set at 24 J/cm<sup>2</sup> (600 mW/cm<sup>2</sup> × 40 s). A strain conditioner (2101A Series, Micro Measurements Group) converted electrical resistance changes in the strain gauge to voltage changes through a quarter-bridge circuit with an internal reference resistance. Microstrain resulting from polymerization shrinkage was monitored for 10 min, starting from the beginning of photoactivation. The post-gel shrinkage value at 10 min was used in the finite element analysis. The mean shrinkage strain, which is the linear shrinkage was converted to percentage and multiplied by three to obtain the volumetric shrinkage. Data were analyzed using two-way ANOVA followed by Tukey HSD post-hoc tests ( $\alpha$ = .05).

#### 2.3. Cuspal strain (CS)

The experimental design is shown on Fig. 1. Sixty extracted intact, caries-free human third molars were used with approval from the University Ethics Committee in Human Research. The teeth were selected to have an inter-cuspal width within a maximum deviation of not more than 10% of the determined mean. The measured intercuspal width varied between 5.06 to 6.02 mm. The teeth were embedded in a polystyrene resin (Cristal, Piracicaba, SP, Brazil) up to 2.0 mm below the cervical line to simulate alveolar bone [2]. The teeth were cleaned using a rubber cup and fine pumice water slurry and distributed into six groups each of ten teeth. The teeth were restored and used for cuspal deflection measurement using strain gauges, and afterwards for the measurement of Knoop hardness (VH) and elastic modulus (E) using the continuing indentation method. All restored teeth had Class II cavities with 4.5 mm inter-cuspal width and 5 mm depth, prepared with a diamond bur (#3099 diamond bur, KG Sorensen, Barueri, SP, Brazil) in a high-speed hand-piece with copious air-water spray using a cavity preparation machine [24]. This machine consisted of a high-speed handpiece (EXTRA torque 605 C; KaVo do Brasil) coupled to a mobile base. The mobile base moves vertically and horizontally with 3 precision micrometric heads (152-389; Mitutoyo Sul Americana Ltda, Suzano, Brazil), attaining a 0.002-mm level of accuracy.

Cuspal deformation was measured with strain gauges (PA-06-060CC-350L, Excel Sensores, SP, Brazil), which had an internal electrical resistance of 350  $\Omega$ , a gauge factor of 2.07, and a grid size of 21.02 mm2. The gauge factor is a proportional constant between electrical resistance variation and strain. The strain gauges were bonded to the cervical area of the buccal and lingual surfaces (n=10) with cyanoacrylate

adhesive (Super Bonder; Loctite, São Paulo, Brazil), and the wires were connected to a data acquisition device (ADS0500IP; Lynx Tecnologia Eletrônica, Saão Paulo, SP, Brazil). The strain gauges were placed in the region where a finite element model had indicated the presence of the highest polymerization stresses (Bicalho et al., 2014a). In addition, two strain gauges were fixed to another intact tooth to compensate for dimensional deviations due to temperature effects. Both resin composites used in this study were IPS Empress Direct (Ivoclar-Vivadent) and Charisma Diamond (Heraeus Kulzer) were used in association with a self-etching adhesive systems Clearfill SE Bond (Kuraray) according to the manufacturers' instructions. The cavities were restored using three environment conditions: 22°C and 50% humidity relative (22/50); 37°C and 50% humidity relative (37/50); 37°C and 90% humidity relative (37/90). Average volumes of composite per increment were 27.66 mm<sup>3</sup>. A Teflon matrix with the cavity was used to standardize each composite resin increment before the insertion into the cavity (Bicalho et al., 2014b). Each increment was lightcured for 20 seconds using a light source with 550 W/ cm<sup>2</sup> output (Demetron Kerr; Orange, CA, USA) by placing from the occlusal direction closest to the cavity. The total energy used was 176 J/cm<sup>2</sup>. The cuspal deformation data were obtained from the strain gauges through data analysis software (AqDados 7.02 and AqAnalisys; Lynx). The strain values were recorded at 4 Hz during the restorative procedure and continued for 10 minutes after curing the last increment. The cusp deformation was tested at 3 experimental conditions simulation temperature and humidity. The cuspal deformation values were tested for normal distribution (Shapiro-Wilk, P<0.05) and equality of variances (Levene test, p<0.05), followed by parametric statistical tests. Data were analyzed using Two-way ANOVA and multiple comparisons were made using the Tukey test.

## 2.4 Elastic modulus and Knoop hardness determination

Elastic modulus was determined using the Knoop indentation method (Soares et al., 2013). Five Knoop indentations were made on each region (center, mesial and distal of the restoration Fig.2) to obtain an average value for each depth of each sample (N = 5). Half of the samples used in cuspal deformation measurements were used for calculating the mechanical properties (E) and Knoop Hardness (KHN) of the composites at five depths. Each restored tooth was sectioned in the buccal-lingual direction into two halves using a precision saw (Isomet, Buehler). One section per tooth was randomly selected for assessment of the mechanical properties. The specimens were embedded with polystyrene resin (Instrumental Instrumentos de Medição Ltda, São Paulo, SP, Brazil). Prior to testing, the surfaces were finished with silicon-carbide paper (#600, 800, 1200, and 2000 grit sizes; Norton, Campinas, SP, Brazil) and polished with metallographic Diamond pastes (6-, 3-, 1-, and 1/4-lm sizes; Arotec, São Paulo, SP, Brazil). To calculate elastic modulus from Knoop indentation, the decrease in the length of the indentation diagonals caused by elastic recovery of a material is related to the hardness/modulus ratio H/E by equation:

$$b'/a' = b/a - \alpha 1 (H/E)$$

where b/a is the ratio of the diagonal dimensions a and b, in the fully loaded state, given by a constant 0.140647. b'/a' is the ratio of the altered dimensions when fully recovered and  $\alpha 1 = 0.45$  is a proportionality constant.

Two-way ANOVA followed by Tukey HSD post-hoc tests ( $\alpha$ =0.05) were used for the statistical analysis of elastic modulus.

## 2.5 Bond strength (µTBS)

The other half of the restored teeth was stored for 24 h in distilled water at 37 °C, after which the occlusal surface was removed and discarded. The specimens were sectioned bucco-lingually into six slabs of 1 mm thickness using a low speed diamond saw (Isomet, Buehler, Lake Bluff, IL, USA) under water cooling. Each slab was serially sectioned horizontally to harvest two sticks with 1.0 mm X 1.0 mm cross-sections at two cavity depths (10 to 12 sticks for each depth). In each experimental group ten to twelve sticks of each tooth were subjected to the microtensile bond strength (μTBS) test (n=30; 12 teeth per group).

For the μTBS, the ends of the specimen were glued to a microtensile device in the testing machine (EMIC DL 2000 São José dos Pinhais, Paraná, Brazil) using cyanoacrylate glue (Super Bonder Flex Gel, Henkel Loctite Adesivos Ltda, Itapevi, SP, Brazil) covering all the faces of the specimens [25,26] and subjected to a tensile load at a crosshead speed of 1 mm/min. The cross-sectional area of each stick was measured using a digital caliper (Mitutoyo CD15, Mitutoyo Co., Kawasaki, Japan). The μTBS was calculated by dividing the fracture load by the surface area, measured to the nearest 0.01 mm with the digital caliper.

## 2.6 Finite element stress analysis

To calculate residual stresses in the tooth, a two-dimensional finite element simulation was carried out of an MOD-cavity with the cavity floor in dentin. The geometrical model was based on a digitized bucco-lingual cross section of a mandibular molar. Coordinates were obtained using ImageJ software (public domain, Java-based image processing and analysis software, National Institutes of Health, USA). The cross-section was meshed using plane strain elements for the tooth structure and plane stress elements for the composite (linear, four-nodes, isoparametric, and arbitrary

quadrilateral). Only the cervical portion of the root was simulated since the rest of the root did not affect the coronal stress distribution (Bicalho et al., 2014b). A simplified boundary condition was assumed at the cut-plane of the root (fixed zero-displacements in both horizontal and vertical directions). The elastic modulus of enamel was 84 GPa (principal direction, perpendicular to the pulp surface) and 42 GPa in transverse directions, with Poisson's ratio of 0.30. The dentin elastic modulus was 18 GPa and the Poisson's ratio 0.23 [27]. The shrinkage and elastic modulus values of the composites were obtained from the experimental data. The Poisson's ratios were chosen to be the same for all composites at 0.24. Polymerization shrinkage was simulated by thermal analogy. Temperature was reduced by 1°C, while the linear shrinkage value was entered as the coefficient of linear thermal expansion.

The finite element stress analysis was performed using MSC.Mentat (pre- and post-processor) and MSC.Marc (solver) software (MSC Software Corporation, Santa Ana, CA, USA). Modified von Mises equivalent stresses were used to express the stress state. This is a modification of the well-known von Mises criterion to account for materials that have different strengths in compression and tension [27]. The compressive-tensile strength ratios used were 37.3, 3.0, and 6.25 for the enamel, dentin, and composite, respectively [28].

#### 2.7 Statistical analysis

The Shr, CS, KHN, E and µTBS values were tested for normal distribution (Shapiro-Wilk, P<0.05) and equality of variances (Levene test, p<0.05), followed by parametric statistical tests. Data were analyzed using Two-way ANOVA and multiple comparisons were made using the Tukey test. All tests employed a 0.05 level of

statistical significance and all statistical analyses were carried out with the statistical package SigmaPlot® System version 12.0 (Systat Institute Inc, San Jose, CA, USA).

#### 3. Results

## 3.1. Post-gel Shrinkage

The post-gel shrinkage values for the two composite (CHA and IPS) and the three environment conditions ( $23^{\circ}\text{C}/50\%$ ,  $37^{\circ}\text{C}/50\%$  and  $37^{\circ}\text{C}/90\%$ ) are shown in Table 1. CHA and IPS had similar post-gel shrinkage values (P=0.211). Significant effect was observed for environment condition (P<0.001). Increasing the temperature and humidity the cusp deformation increased significantly for both composite resin ( $23^{\circ}\text{C}/50\% < 37^{\circ}\text{C}/50\% < 37^{\circ}\text{C}/90\%$ ).

## 3.2. Cuspal Deformation

The behavior and values of the cuspal deformation (strain) for the two composite (CHA and IPS) and the three environment conditions (23°C/50%, 37°C/50% and 37°C/90%) are shown in Table 2. The IPS and CHA resin had similar cusp deformation values irrespective of environment conditions and cuspal type (lingual or buccal). The lingual cusp had higher deformation than lingual cusp for all experimental conditions and resin composite tested. The environment condition influenced significantly the cusp deformation, increasing the temperature and humidity the cusp deformation increased significantly for both materials.

#### 3.3 Elastic Modulus

The E values in GPa for the two composite and the three environment conditions are shown in Fig. 2. CHA and IPS maintained a constant elastic modulus throughout the depth of the restoration independent of the environment condition. CHA resin presented higher elastic modulus values than IPS independent of the environment condition. The

IPS resin at 22°C/50% had similar E values at 37°C/50% and lower values than 37°C/90%. The CHA resin had no influence of environment condition on E values.

## 3.4 Knoop harndess indentation

The E values in GPa for the two composite and the three environment conditions are shown in Fig. 3. CHA and IPS maintained a constant elastic modulus throughout the depth of the restoration independent of the environment condition. CHA resin presented higher elastic modulus values than IPS independent of the environment condition. The IPS resin at 22°C/50% had similar E values at 37°C/50% and lower values than 37°C/90%. The CHA resin had no influence of environment condition on E values 3.5 3.5 Bond strength (µTBS)

The  $\mu$ TBS values in MPa (mean and standard deviation) for the two composite resins and the three environment conditions are shown in Table 3. ANOVA revealed a statistically significant difference among the environment conditions (p<0.001). However no significant difference was found between composite resins (p=0.362) neither for the interactions of composite resins and environment conditions (p=0.138). Restorations produced at 37°C/90% of humidity had significantly lower  $\mu$ TBS than with the other two tested environments conditions, irrespective of composite resins. No significant difference was found among Charisma Diamond and IPS Empress Direct, irrespective of the environment conditions. No significant difference was found among Charisma Diamond and IPS Empress Direct, irrespective of the environment conditions.

#### 3.6 Finite Element Results

Stress distributions for all groups and are shown in Fig. 4. No influence on shrinkage stress was observed for composite resin factor. The 22°C/55% environment

condition resulted in lower shrinkage stress in the base of the lingual and buccal cusps.

The stress levels increased when the temperature and humidity increased.

## 4. Discussion

The null hypothesis was rejected; the composite resin affected significantly the post-gel shrinkage and the elastic modulus and the environment conditions affected all the all properties tested (Shr, CS,  $\mu$ TBS, KHN and E) and also the residual shrinkage stress.

To calculate the shrinkage stresses, polymerization shrinkage behavior must be modeled. Since not all shrinkage generates stresses, a "post-gel" shrinkage value was used in the analysis. Post-gel shrinkage was defined as the portion of the total polymerization shrinkage that causes stresses, and was measured using the strain gauge technique. The post-gel shrinkage of Charisma Diamond tested at room temperature and humidity (0.46% by volume) was similar to IPS Direct (0.45%), which is consistent with previously published data of conventional composite resin [1]. Therefore these composite should not to be ranked as low-shrinkage resin composites. Several methods have been proposed to measure shrinkage; the principle underlying these methods is similar [19,27,29]. However, results for the same material may differ among methods due to testing configuration [19]. Both composites had significantly higher post-gel shrinkage when was simulated the high temperature (37°C/50%) and more when was increase the temperature and the humidity (37°C/90%). Unlike the gel point, which is a well-defined point in conversion, vitrification is dependent on the reaction conditions since it is determined by mobility restrictions that are affected by factors such as temperature. Increasing the temperature is normally accompanied by the increasing of the degree of conversion and consequently by increased shrinkage [19,20]. Additionally the increase of temperature may cause reduction the time of the pre-gel phase of the polymerization reaction [30]. Previous study showed that the volumetric polymerization shrinkage of different composite resin measured using a drop shape analysis at humidity that simulated oral environment (37°C) was significantly higher than when was tested at room temperature (23°C) [31]. Other study testing increasing of temperature and humidity resulted in higher shrinkage values of the composite resin, thus favoring the onset of clinical undesirable situations [32].

The elastic modulus of both tested resin composites maintained constant throughout the depth of the restoration independent of the environment condition. This may be explained by the incremental technique used to restore the MOD cavity. The use of 2.0mm filling technique resulted in less CS with the same µTBS and UTS than 1.0mm increments, without affecting elastic modulus and Vickers hardness through the depth of the composite [2]. The Charisma Diamond demonstrated significantly higher elastic modulus than IPS Direct irrespective of the environment condition. This finding may be explained by the difference of the filler content between both composite. IPS Direct has 72% by weight [33] and the Charisma Diamond has 81% by weight of filler content [34]. It is important to take into account that increasing filler content generally results in an increased elastic modulus [1,14]. Additionally the high elastic modulus of CHA resin could be justified by the greater number of crosslinking monomers that carry the urethane polymer chain having greater molecular flexibility before glassy phase of the material [35]. The IPS Direct resin was had elastic modulus values affected by environment conditions; on the other hand Charisma Diamond had similar values for three experimental conditions tested. This finding could be explained by the higher percentage of the monomer content on IPS Direct and the monomer composition. The humidity and temperature have been reported in the literature as factors that decrease the stiffness of resin materials thus modifying the properties in the oral environment in relation to laboratory environments [35,36]. The higher monomer percentage resulted in more negative influence by the residual humidity presented into the deep cavity resulting in lower values in the deep cavity when compared with the values obtained at the top of the restoration. Previous study confirmed that the elastic and viscous moduli are dependent on measurement temperature and concluded that increasing temperature leads to a decrease in elastic modulus, and an increase in viscous modulus [37].

The cups deformation measured by using strain gauge test has been validated by finite element analysis [3]. The cuspal deformation is associated directly with post-gel shrinkage [2]. The similarity of the cuspal deformation values of Charisma Diamond and IPS Direct may be explained by the similarity of post-gel shrinkage values. The small difference verified between the values of the elastic modulus for both composites tested was not sufficient to result in more cusp deformation nether residual shrinkage stress. Resin composites polymerization at higher temperature compared to room temperature may be accompanied by an increase in degree of conversion, shrinkage strain, and polymerization rate [19,38]. This aspect could explain the higher cusp deflection for experimental conditions that increased the temperature and mainly when was simulated the higher temperature and humidity. The lingual cusps had higher cuspal deformation than buccal cusps for both composite and all environment conditions. This result can be explained by the amount of remaining tooth structure. Third molars had narrower cervical areas lingual than buccal, and thus the lingual cusps can be expected to be less stiff than the buccal cusps [2].

Excellent bonding and properties are critical for optimal clinical performance of a restoration. Some conditions of intraoral temperature and humidity may not impair the bond strength for specific adhesive systems [39]. In this case, an adequate relative isolation seems to be a good alternative under the specific clinical conditions in which rubber dam isolation is either impossible or very difficult to perform [39]. However, the amount of water saturated in the exhaled air by mouth is reported to be about 27

mg/dm<sup>3</sup> and its possible effects on dental practice requires careful evaluation [40,41]. Restorative procedures performed inn clinical conditions with high flux of the saliva and with more difficulty of the humidity contamination, like was simulated in the present study the bond strength obtained could be compromised. This result is consistent with other studies [41,42] and could be attributed to the humidity environment might contaminate the surface during the restorative procedure and also by the higher shrinkage stress. Additionally, the excess water may influence the mechanical properties of adhesive layer of the one-step self-etch adhesives by inhibiting the optimal polymerization of the monomers [42]. This experimental conditional is similar to restorations procedures performed without rubber dam isolation mainly in upper molars. The results of the present study reinforce the largely statement that is recommended to perform posterior composite restoration in posterior teeth only with rubber dam isolation.

Shrinkage stress of resins composite can be responsible by post-operative sensitivity and other complications such as microcrack and marginal microleakage. Transient shrinkage stress during polymerization causes tooth deformations, which is considered indicative of tooth microcracks and resin-dentin bond failure [43]. Marginal gaps created by polymerization shrinkage do not appear to increase the risk for secondary caries, but can lead to marginal staining, which may be diagnosed as secondary caries [44].

Finite element analysis may collaborate with the understanding of biomechanical problems of teeth restored with composites [1,45]. In the present study IPS presented similar stress shrinkage distribution when compared with CHA. This was expected because post-gel shrinkage is the great determinant of shrinkage stress, and the both materials presented similar post-gel shrinkage. Studies have demonstrated that post-gel

shrinkage can have more direct relation with stress when compared with elastic modulus [1]. When the temperature and humidity increase may be seeing that the stress concentrated inside restoration is high, the same happens in the base of cuspal. This means that warm and humidity are harmful and can lead to failure the complex restoration.

The simulation condition of the body temperature and humidity resulted in higher shrinkage stress and cusp deflection. Therefore the establishment of the experimental conditions more similarly to the oral environment, during post-gel and cusp deformation is recommended. The experimental condition that simulated absence of rubber dam isolation represented the extreme condition with higher shrinkage stress and cusp deflection. Although, same studies have shown that the self-etching primer adhesives tested are unaffected by the degree of dentin wetness or ambient air humidity exposure prior to application [39,46]. Unless considered necessary for other clinical reasons, use of rubber-dam is not compulsory [46]. However, more humidity present in the oral environment could play important rule for post-operatory sensitivity caused by increasing of cusp deflection and residual shrinkage stress. Reduction of the cusp deflection and shrinkage stress could be extrapolated as one more advantage of the rubber dam isolation.

## 5. Conclusions

Within the limitations of this study it was concluded that the environment conditions affected significantly the post-gel shrinkage, elastic modulus, cusp strain, µTBS and shrinkage stress of teeth restored with composite resins. Charisma Diamond and IPS Direct presented similar shrinkage stress, cusp deformation and shrinkage stress. The elastic modulus of Charisma Diamond was higher than IPS Direct. The simulation of the oral environment becomes desirable for testing in the laboratory to assess contraction and shrinkage stress and cusp deformation.

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**Tables** 

Table 1- Post-gel Shrinkage volumetric values – Mean (standard deviation) in (%) after 10 minutes of acquisition dates.

C	Env	Pooled					
Composite resins	22°C/50%	37°C/50%	37°C/90%	Average			
Charisma Diamond	0.45 (0.04)	0.51 (0.06)	0.59 (0.04)	0.52 (0.05) <sup>A</sup>			
IPS Empress Direct	0.46 (0.04)	0.52 (0.05)	0.63 (0.06)	0.54 (0.05) <sup>A</sup>			
Pool Average							
For pooled averages, distinct letters indicate significant statistical differences ( $p < 0.05$ ).							

Table 2- Cuspal deformation values – mean (Standard Deviation) in  $\mu$ S (n= 10 teeth) for each group.

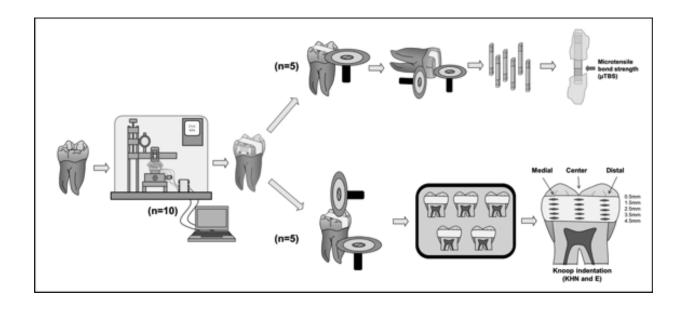
Composite	<b>Environment Conditions</b>						Pooled
resins	В	uccal cuspa	ıl	Li	ngual cusp	al	Average
	22°C/50%	37°C/50%	37°C/90%	22°C/50%	37°C/50%	37°C/90%	
Charisma	133 (75)	277 (155)	349 (149)	269 (119)	362 (95)	469 (150)	310 (125) <sup>A</sup>
Diamond							
IPS Empress	158 (48)	225 (39)	298 (122)	302 (96)	346 (103)	430 (122)	293 (88) <sup>A</sup>
Direct							
Pooled Average	146 (51) <sup>a</sup>	251 (129) <sup>b</sup>	<b>324</b> (131) <sup>c</sup>	286 (107) <sup>a</sup>	354 (96) <sup>b</sup>	450 (136) <sup>c</sup>	
Pooled							
Average		$240 (101)^{a}$			$363 (113)^{\beta}$		
<b>Cusp factor</b>							

For pooled averages, distinct letters and symbols indicate significant statistical differences (p < 0.05).

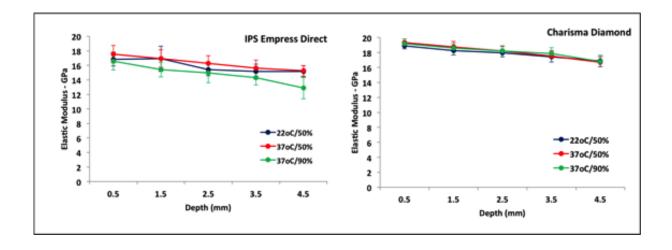
Table 3 – Microtensile bond strength mean values (MPa) for each group (n = 5 teeth – 6 sticks per location of the restoration per tooth).

Composite Resins	Mean (SD	Pooled		
	22°C/50%	37°C/50%	37°C/90%	average
Charisma Diamond	23.9 (7.7)	22.2 (5.7)	14.5 (2.2)	20.2 (5.0) <sup>a</sup>
IPS Empress Direct	19.4 (2.9)	18.7 (4.2)	13.9 (1.4)	17.0 (2.7) <sup>a</sup>
Pooled average	21.7 (4.9) <sup>A</sup>	20.5 (4.8) <sup>A</sup>	14.3 (1.6) <sup>B</sup>	

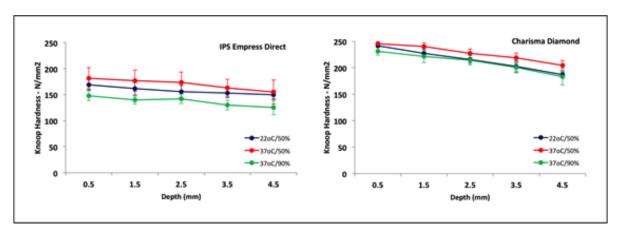
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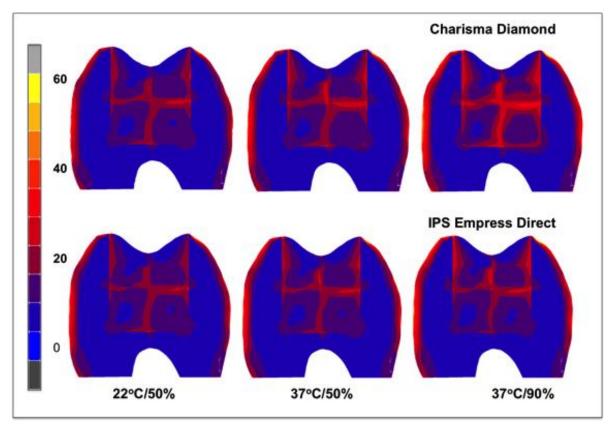
**Figure 1.** Schematic illustration describing the sample preparation for the strain gauge test used to measure the cusp deformation (n=10) and after that used to measure microtensile bond strength (n=5) or to measure elastic modulus and Knoop hardness indentation (n=5).



**Figure 2.** Elastic modulus at various restoration depths for (A) IPS Empress Direct; (B) Charisma Diamond.



**Figure 3.** Knoop hardness at various restoration depths for (A) IPS Empress Direct; (B) Charisma Diamond.



**Figure 4.** Stress distributions calculated by finite element analysis (modified von Mises equivalent stresses, MPa).

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#### **SUMMARY**

**Objectives:** to evaluate the effect of resin modified glass ionomer (RMGI) liner and filling technique on cuspal strain (CS), fracture resistance (FR) and fracture mode (FM) in molars with large class II restorations.

Methods: Forty human molars received standardized class II mesio-oclusal-distal cavity preparations and restorations with composite resin (Filtek Supreme, 3M-ESPE; SU) and were randomly divided into 4 groups based on two study factors: presence of intermediary layer: Ion, use of RMGI liner (Vitremer, 3M-ESPE) or NIon, absence of liner; and filling technique: Ps, incremental filling cavity starting by proximal surface; Bw, incremental filling cavity starting by buccal wall. The tests were performed at 22°C and 50% of relative humidity. Cuspal strain was measured in three moments; during the restorative procedure (CS-re), representing occlusion force, simulated with 100N loading (CS-oc) and at maximum fracture load (CS-fr) using strain gage test. The fracture resistance (N) was assessed under compressive load in a universal testing machine. Fracture modes were recorded based on the degree of tooth structure and restoration damage using optical microscopy and scanning electron microscopy (SEM). Data of CS and FR were analyzed using two-way ANOVA followed by Tukey Test, and FM data were analyzed using Qui-square test (α=.05).

**Results:** Two-way analyses showed no significant differences for the filling technique. The liner resulted in significantly higher fracture resistance values (P<.001). CS-re values had no influence by filling technique nether for liner presence. CS-oc and CS-fr

of were significantly lower when was used Ion liner. Fracture resistance and fracture mode had no influence by filling technique nether for liner presence.

**Conclusions:** The presence of RMGI liner resulted in lower cuspal strain values during restorative procedure regardless of filling technique. The sequence of the increments of composite resin had no effect of Cs, Fs and Fm.

Clinical significance: Using resin modified glass ionomer liner before incrementally insertion of composite resin in class II molars cause lower cuspal strain with probably lower post-operative sensitivity in large and deep posterior cavities.

#### INTRODUCTION

Restorative resin composites have been used in dentistry in large scale for dental restorations but in spite of the undeniable technological advances introduced during years, still present undesirable characteristics associated with the volumetric shrinkage. Resin-composites used for dental restorative materials undergo volumetric contraction when polymerized due to molecular densification, this shrinkage-strain, if it is not occurring freely, leads to tensile forces within the material at the interface of the composite and cavity wall. Polymerization shrinkage of composite resins has been a clinical concern and the associated stresses are thought to play a role in microleakage, recurrent caries and post-operative sensitivity. Shrinkage strain manifest themselves most directly in cuspal strain and shrinkage stress of restored teeth. Stress generated by polymerization shrinkage and cuspal strain depends on multiple factors, such as photo activation time, mechanical properties of materials and filling technique.

The restored teeth with composite resin suffer cuspal strain during the restorative procedure as a consequence of polymerization shrinkage.<sup>6</sup> However this cuspal strain

also occurs when the restored tooth is subjected to masticatory loads due to compressive axial forces. 10,11 The failure of posterior restorations due to fractures of the tooth or the restorative material is a significant clinical problem. 12 The deformation, fracture resistance, and failure mode of restored teeth are the result of the interaction among multiple factors, such as restorative preparation design, magnitude and type of load, mechanical properties of restoration, and the use of low-modulus intermediate layers. 13-<sup>15</sup> These parameters can be investigated both with destructive testing, like a fracture resistance test, and nondestructive measuring of deformation.<sup>14</sup> The shrinkage stress may cause crack on the dental structure remaining impacting on the fracture resistance after fatigue. 16 It is also suggested that mechanical loading should be restricted during the first few hours after completion of a resin-based restoration.<sup>17</sup> Because the oral cavity has thermal cycling during food intake and functional load, which may result in slow incremental structural degradation. 18 Therefore the combination of destructive and non-destructive tests in laboratory studies brings relevant information about the prediction of failure of the restorative process. Using nondestructive methods like strain-gauge during restorative procedure, occlusal loading and at the moment of the limit of the failure of the tooth restoration complex may help to understand the mechanics of the fracture failure of posterior teeth restored with different techniques.

Several alternative clinical techniques have been introduced to address the problems of sealing and stress in Class II cavities. Among these is the replacement of a substantial part of the resin composite with glass ionomer cement, which the cement is fully enclosed by a resin composite.<sup>19</sup> RMGI has also been recommended as a liner material, because they replace some of the dentin volume reducing the side effects of polymerization shrinkage.<sup>20</sup> The higher tensile and flexural strength of RMGI compared

with conventional glass ionomer cement,<sup>21</sup> may impact positively on fracture resistance of the posterior teeth with large cavities restored with composite resin.

Restorative protocols and restorative materials have been developed to minimize polymerization shrinkage and their clinical effects. The adequate volume of the resin composite used on incremental filling technique has been indicated to decrease the effects of shrinkage and stress generated. Recent published functional and aesthetic guidelines for posterior composite resin restoration recommend the stratification of the restorative material initiating by proximal surfaces using triangular-shaped increments to reduce the shrinkage stress. If the class II restoration starts by proximal surface, the class II that has low C-factor is automatically transformed in class I with higher C-factor. However if the class II restoration is performed inserting the sequence of the increments filling completely the buccal or lingual cusp, the insertion of the last increments may create internal defects. No study has tested the effect of the filling increment technique regarding the sequence of the increment stratification sequence on fracture resistance and fracture mode.

Therefore the purpose of this study was to investigate the effect of the filling technique, defined by the sequence of the insertion of increments and the use of RMGI liner on cuspal strain measured during restorative procedure, during simulated occlusion load after thermo-mechanical fatigue, at the moment of the maximum loading fracture, and also on the fracture resistance and fracture mode in molars with an extensive and deep class II restoration considered the filling technique and intermediary layer. The null hypothesis was that the filling techniques and liner presence would not affect the cuspal strain, fracture resistance and fracture mode values.

#### MATERIALS AND METHODS

## Teeth selection, embedment process and cavity preparation

Forty extracted intact caries-free human molars were used with approval from the University Ethics Committee in Human Research. The teeth were selected to have an inter-cuspal width within a maximum deviation of not more than 10% of the determined mean. The measured inter-cuspal width varied between 5.17 to 6.13 mm. The teeth were embedded in a polystyrene resin (Cristal, Piracicaba, SP, Brazil) up to 2.0 mm below the cervical line to simulate alveolar bone. The teeth were cleaned using a rubber cup and fine pumice water slurry and distributed into four groups (n = 10). The roots were covered with a 0.2-mm layer of a polyether impression material (Impregum; 3M ESPE, St Paul, Minn) to simulate the periodontal ligament, and embedded in a polystyrene resin (Cristal, Piracicaba, Sao Paulo, Brazil) up to 2 mm below the cementoenamel junction to simulate the alveolar bone.<sup>24</sup>

The ten teeth per group had Class II cavities with 4.5 mm inter-cuspal width and 5 mm depth, using a diamond bur (#3099 diamond bur, KG Sorensen, Barueri, SP, Brazil) in a high-speed hand-piece with copious air-water spray prepared standardized with cavity preparation machine.<sup>25</sup>

#### **Cuspal strain during restorative procedure (CS-re)**

Cuspal strain was measured with strain gauges (PA-06-060CC-350L, Excel Sensores, SP, Brazil), which had an internal electrical resistance of 350  $\Omega$ , a gauge factor of 2.13 and a grid size of 21.02 mm<sup>2</sup>, were used ten teeth per group. The gauge factor is a proportional constant between electrical resistance variation and strain. The strain gauges were bonded to the 2 mm below the cervical area of the buccal and lingual surfaces with cyanoacrylate adhesive (Super Bonder; Loctite, Sao Paulo, Brazil), and

the wires were connected to a data acquisition device (ADS0500IP; Lynx Tecnologia Eletrônica, São Paulo, SP, Brazil). In addition, two strain gauges were fixed to another intact tooth, to compensate dimensional deviations due to temperature effects. For better simulation of clinicians parameters was used the environment control device that to maintains constant temperature and humidity values (37 °C of temperature and 50% of humidity relative) simulating the body temperature and rubber dam isolation. Adjacent teeth were simulated with a fixation of resin tooth in the mesial and distal sides of the molar prepared. This fixation was performed with acrylic resin on the cylinder of polystyrene resin. This technique was realized for to avoid a fixation of matrix.

The materials used in this study were a conventional composite resin Filtek Supreme (3M-ESPE; SU) and a resin modified glass ionomer resin cement, Vitremer (3M-ESPE; Ion). Self-etching adhesive system (Clearfil SE Bond – Kuraray) was used according to the manufacturer instructions. The cavities were restored in accordance of 2 study factors: filling technique and RMGI liner. Two filling techniques were simulated: Ps, incremental filling technique represented by 8 increments of 2,0mm starting by proximal surface (2 increments to reconstruct the medial proximal surface; 2 increments to reconstruct the distal proximal surface; and 4 increments reconstructing occlusal box; or Bw, the same incremental filling technique stating by buccal wall (4 increments to reconstruct the buccal cusp and 4 increments to reconstruct lingual box). Two RMGI liner conditions were created: Ion, application of intermediary layer of 1.5mm in thickness on the pulpal floor distant 2.0 mm from the gingival margins or Nion, represented by restoration made only with composite resin without liner. The RMGI was manipulated and inserted using commercial syringe (Centrix, Shelton, CT, USA) following manufacture instructions. The RMGI liner was was light-cured for 20 s using light source with 600W/cm<sup>2</sup> output (Demetron Kerr; Orange, CA, USA) by placing from the occlusal direction closest to the cavity (Figure 2). The Average volume of composite per increment used was 13.83 mm<sup>3</sup> (no more than 2 mm of thickness). Each increment was light-cured for 20 s. The cuspal strain data was obtained from the strain gauges through data analysis software of data acquisition device. The strain values were recorded at 4 Hz during the restorative procedure and continued for 10 minutes after curing the last increment.

# Thermal fatigue, mechanical fatigue and cuspal strain during occlusion procedure (CS-oc)

After cuspal strain measurements, thermal variations were induced in a thermal cycling machine (Thermal Cycler ER-26000; ERIOS equipamentos, São Paulo, SP, Brazil). All specimens were subjected to 6000 cycles, simulating 5 years of clinical service. <sup>26,27</sup> Thermal cycling was performed in bath temperatures of 5°C, 37°C, and 55°C. The dwell time was 30 seconds and the transfer time was 10 seconds, resulting in 2 minutes for each cycle. After the samples were subjected to mechanical fatigue with 1.200.000 cycles (2Hz) of axial compressive loading on occlusal cusps (50N) in a (Mechanical Fatigue ER-11000; ERIOS equipamentos, São Paulo, SP, Brazil). To measure the cusp strain simulating the occlusal loading the samples were subjected to axial compressive loading at 0.5 mm/min, applied with a 6.0 mm diameter sphere shaped tip, up to 100 N limit, in a mechanical testing machine (DL 2000; EMIC, São José dos Pinhais, PR, Brazil).

# Cuspal strain during fracture procedure (CS-fr), fracture resistance and fracture mode

Axial compressive loading with a metal sphere 6 mm in diameter at a crosshead speed of 0.5 mm/min in a universal testing machine (DL2000; EMIC, São Jose dos Pinhais, PR, Brazil). The load required (N) to cause catastrophic fracture of specimens was recorded by a 500 N load cell hardwired to a computer with control and data acquisition software (TESC; EMIC). At the maximum loading necessary to cause sample failure, the cuspal strain (CS-fr) was measured again with strain gage test. Fracture modes were recorded, based on the degree of tooth structure and restoration damage using optical microscopy and scanning electron microscopy (SEM), and then assigned to 5 modified categories.<sup>28</sup> (I) fractures involving a small portion of the coronal tooth structure; (II) fractures involving a small portion of the coronal tooth structure and cohesive failure of the restoration; (III) fractures involving the tooth structure, cohesive and/or adhesive failure of the restoration, with root involvement that can be restored in association without periodontal surgery; (IV) fractures involving the tooth structure, cohesive and/or adhesive failure of the restoration, with root involvement that can be restored in association with periodontal surgery; and (V) severe root and crown fracture, which determine extraction of the tooth.

# **Statistical Analysis**

The cuspal strain and fracture resistance data were tested for normal distribution (Shapiro-Wilk, p>0.05) and equality of variances (Levene's test, p>0.05), followed by parametric statistical tests. Two-way analysis of variance (ANOVA) was performed followed by Tukey test. Fracture modes frequency was analyzed using Q-square test. All tests employed a 0.05 level of statistical significance and all statistical analyses were

carried out with the statistical package Sigma Plot v.12.1 (SAS Institute Inc, Cary, NC, USA).

#### RESULTS

### **Cuspal strain during restorative procedure (CS-re)**

The behavior and values of the cuspal deformation (strain) for the two filling techniques and the presence of the RMGI liner for the experimental groups measured during restorative procedure on buccal and lingual are presented in Table 1. ANOVA revealed significant difference in cusp deformation during restorative procedure for the RMGI liner presence (P = 0.005). However no difference was found for filling technique (P = 0.528), for cups type (P = 0.070), for the interaction between the filling technique and RMGI liner presence (P = 0.914), for the interaction between the filling technique and cusp type (P = 0.955), for the interaction between the cusp type and RMGI liner presence (P = 0.655), nor the interaction among the three study factors (P = 0.907).

# **Cuspal strain during occlusion procedure (CS-occlusion)**

The behavior and values of the cuspal deformation (strain) for the two filling techniques and the RMGI liner presence measured during oclusal loading (100N) are presented in Table 2. ANOVA revealed significant difference in cusp deformation during restorative procedure for the RMGI liner presence (P = 0.010). However no difference was found for filling technique (P = 0.328), for cups type (P = 0.519), for the interaction between the filling technique and RMGI liner presence (P = 0.703), for the interaction between the filling technique and cusp type (P = 0.376), for the interaction between the cusp technique and RMGI liner presence (P = 0.431), nor the interaction among the three study factors (P = 0.654).

## **Cuspal strain during fracture procedure (CS-fracture)**

The behavior and values of the cuspal deformation (strain) for the two filling techniques and the RMGI liner presence measured during fracture test on buccal and lingual are presented in Table 3. ANOVA revealed significant difference in cusp deformation during restorative procedure for the RMGI liner presence (P = 0.014). However no difference was found for filling technique (P = 0.243), for cups type (P = 0.754), for the interaction between the filling technique and RMGI liner presence (P = 0.914), for the interaction between the cusp technique and RMGI liner presence (P = 0.345), for the interaction among the three study factors (P = 0.777).

# **Fracture Resistance**

The fracture resistance values in N (mean and standard deviation) for the two filling techniques and the RMGI liner presence are presented in Table 4. ANOVA revealed no difference in fracture resistance for the type of filling technique (P = 0.721), for RMGI liner presence (P = 0.150) nor the interaction between the filling technique and RMGI liner presence (P = 0.703).

#### Fracture mode

Fracture mode distribution for all groups ate shown in Table 5. Qui-square test revealed no difference among the fracture mode for all groups (P = 0.280). SEM images showed that the fractured samples of the groups restored with or without RMGI liner demonstrated that fracture initiation is located on the dentin remaining of the cusp (Figure 2 and 3).

#### **DISCUSSION**

The null hypothesis was rejected; the RMGI liner presence would affect the cuspal strain in all moments (restorative procedure, occlusion loading and maximum fracture loading), however no influence was verified for fracture resistance and fracture mode. There are a number of factors that may interfere with resistance to fracture, such as the tooth embedment method, type of load application device, and crosshead speed. Thus, the experimental methods used for in vitro analyses do not faithfully represent real clinical conditions, in which failures occur primarily due to fatigue. To minimize the discrepancy between experimental assessments and clinical failures, different methods have been used, such as the simulation of the thermo-mechanical fatigue that reproduce the challenging process that posterior restorations suffered in oral environment. The Periodontal ligament simulation has no significant effect on cusp strain measurement, because the shrinkage residual stress is limited to coronal portion of the tooth. Since this study tested also the fracture resistance and fracture mode, the PDL was simulated to improve the stress dissipation to the root portion approximating the fracture test to clinical reality.

Cuspal strain of a composite restored tooth is influenced by some factors, including the size of the cavity, the properties of the restorative material, and the filling technique. The standardization of the cavity is an important characteristic to be considered in assessing the effects of the cusp deformation caused by other factors. In this study the size of the cavity was standardized for all samples with the use of preparation cavity machine. Assuming similar tooth properties, shapes, and sizes, the main variables causing differences in cuspal deformation were therefore the properties of the materials and the filling techniques. This study found that lingual cusp had higher cuspal deformation than buccal cusp regardless of filling techniques or RMGI liner

presence. This result can be explained by the amount of remaining tooth structure. Molars had narrower cervical areas lingual than buccal,<sup>32</sup> and thus the lingual cusps can be expected to be less stiff than the buccal cusps.

Resin composites used for dental restorative materials undergo volumetric contraction when polymerized due to molecular densification.<sup>33</sup> This shrinkage strain leads to tensile forces within the material or at the interface of the composite and cavity wall; the development of shrinkage stress is complex, with many factors having an effect.<sup>2,34</sup> The deleterious clinical effects of shrinkage stress can be gap formation, microleakage, post-operative sensitive or cuspal movement that is deformed under the applied stress.<sup>35</sup> In this study, the groups that were restored with composite resin only presented higher cuspal strain values, probably because the composite resin has higher value of post-gel shrinkage than RMGI.<sup>36,37</sup>

The measurement of the cuspal strain during the restorative procedure is able to identify how much the cusp deforms in response to polymerization shrinkage of restorative material. However, the cusp does not deform only by the shrinkage of the restorative material, cusps also deforms in response to masticatory loading. After restoration, the complex tooth/restoration is subjected to cyclic loading and thermal changes over the years. The cyclic fatigue is an important method to simulate the aging of restorative complex over the years. When the samples were subjected to axial loading of 100 N after the fatigue test was showed that the filling technique remained insignificant in the cuspal strain; however the use of RGMI liner resulted in lower values of cuspal strain. The RGMI used as liner present coefficient of thermal expansion similar to dentin. The use of the RGMI liner, material with also lower post-gel shrinkage, reduces the volume of the composite resin, explain the lower cusp

deformation. However, when teeth were subjected to extreme occlusal forces, all groups showed the same behavior, and also had the same modes of fracture.

Restoring initially the proximal box of class II, that determine the modification of the in class I cavity, facilitate the sculpture and the anatomy reconstruction.<sup>22</sup> In this study, the filling technique did not influence the cuspal deformation in all moments and also the fracture resistance and fracture modes of molars. The sequence of the stratification of the composite restorations had no influence on the defects into the composite mass that reflect in also similar fracture resistance. It may explain by the complete polymerization of the composite resin along the depth of the cavity.<sup>6</sup> Although the stratification of the increments may create voids and internal defects, the sequence of the increments tend to produce similar internal characteristic of the composite, impacting at the same way on their mechanical performance. The posterior teeth with great structural loss will fail in the as catastrophic mode irrespective of RMGI liner is used. The fracture mode images under scanning electron microscopy of all groups show the source of the failure, it is possible to identify the beginning of the crack that occurs at the base of cuspal weakened. This fact is important because the use of an intermediate material decreases the structural deformation when the tooth is subjected to normal occlusal load mastigatory (100 N). However when the load is to high this layer is not sufficient able to dissipate the stress and the structural limit determine fractures involving more frequently the lingual cusp with the fracture line initiating on the base of the cusp. It is important to use the stress analysis in molar simulating these parameters to determine the stress concentration in this area and also on the pulpal floor. The stress and strain in these regions may result in crack propagation on the base of the cusp and also the pulp sensitivity.

#### **CONCLUSIONS**

Within the limitations of this *in vitro* study, it can be concluded that:

- The order of filling technique had no influence the on cuspal strain, fracture resistance and fracture mode of molars restored with composite materials.
- The cuspal strain decreased with the presence of RMGI liner during restorative, occlusion and fracture procedure.
- The fracture resistance and fracture mode was not influence by filling technique and RMGI liner presence.

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**Tables** 

**Table 1** – Cuspal deformation ( $\mu$ S) during restorative procedure measured by strain gauges (n = 10 teeth).

	Mean (Standard deviation)					
Presence of	Buccal			Lingual		
RMGI liner	Proximal	Buccal	Pooled	Proximal	Buccal	Pooled
	surface	wall	average	surface	wall	average
With	53.7	58.6	56.2	65.2	67.7	66.5
RMGI liner	(21.9)	(30.0)	(25.7) <sup>a</sup>	(14.4)	(35.3)	(26.3) <sup>b</sup>
Without	71.5	76.4	73.9	87.0	92.7	89.8
RMGI liner	(23.3)	(17.0)	(20.0) b	(45.7)	(48.6)	(46.0) <sup>a</sup>
Pooled	62.6	67.5		80.2	76.1	
Average	(23.8) <sup>A</sup>	(25.4) <sup>A</sup>		$(41.8)^{A}$	$(36.6)^{A}$	

**Table 2** – Cuspal deformation ( $\mu$ S) during occlusal simulation (100N) measured by strain gauges (n = 10 teeth).

Presence of	Mean (Standard deviation)					
RMGI liner	Buccal			Lingual		
	Proximal	Buccal	Pooled	Proximal	Buccal	Pooled
	surface	wall	average	surface	wall	average
With RMGI	95.9	102.8	92.9	98.2	97.2	97.7
liner	(28.9)	(24.9)	$(26.4)^{a}$	(18.2)	(29.1)	$(23.6)^{a}$
Without	109.2	115.7	112.4	118.3	122.2	130.2
RMGI liner	(39.2)	(26.5)	$(32.7)^{b}$	(47.1)	(49.0)	$(48.4)^{b}$
Pooled	102.5	102.8		108.3	119.5	
Average	$(34.2)^A$	$(28.3)^{A}$		$(36.3)^A$	$(45.5)^{A}$	

**Table 3** – Cuspal deformation ( $\mu$ S) during fracture test measured by strain gauges (n = 10 teeth).

	Mean (Standard deviation)					
Presence of	Buccal			Lingual		
RMGI liner	Proximal Buccal Pooled		Proximal Buccal P		Pooled	
	surface	wall	average	surface	wall	average
With RMGI	6842.2	7652.4	7247.3	7265.2	7929.9	7597.5
liner	(2144.6)	(1728.4)	(1940.7) b	(2162.5)	(1733.5)	(1937.8) <sup>b</sup>
Without	5638.6	6096.7	5867.6	6135.3	6494.9	6315.1
RMGI liner	(1686.4)	(989.5)	(1366.1) <sup>a</sup>	(1667.1)	(1005.5)	(1352.6) <sup>a</sup>
Pooled	6096.7	6874.5		6700.3	7212.4	
Average	$(989.5)^{A}$	$(1586.1)^{A}$		(1966.6) <sup>A</sup>	$(1563.4)^{A}$	

**Table 4** – Fracture resistance (N) measured by axial compressive fracture test (n = 10 teeth).

Composite Deging	Mean (Standard deviation)					
Composite Resins	Proximal surface	Buccal wall	Pooled Average			
With RMGI liner	1420.7 (347.1)	1417.8 (371.3)	1419.3 (383.1) <sup>a</sup>			
Without RMGI liner	1200.5 (391.8)	1289.0 (390.0)	1244.3 (383.1) <sup>a</sup>			
Pooled Average	1310.6 (377.5) <sup>A</sup>	1353.4 (376.4) <sup>A</sup>				

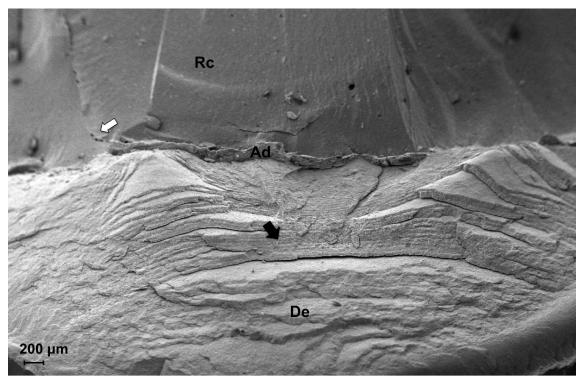
**Table 5 -** Distribution (%) of fracture mode analysis of each group (n = 10)

Encotore	Proxim	al surface	Buccal wall		
Fracture mode	With RMGI	Without RMGI	With RMGI	Without RMGI	
mouc	liner	liner	liner	liner	
Type I	-	-	-	-	
Type II	10	20	40	20	
Type III	70	40	10	40	
Type IV	20	30	30	40	
Type V	-	10	20	-	

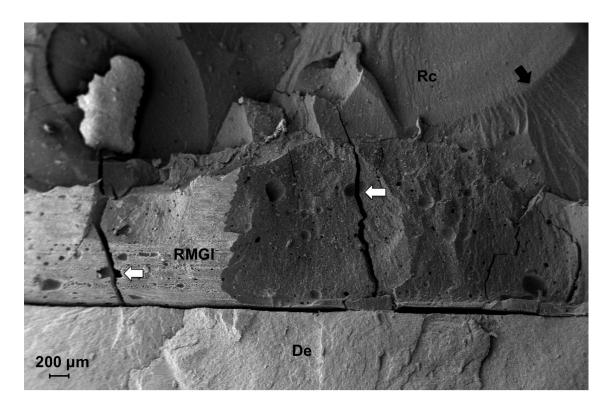
Fracture types: I, Fracture with involvement of the core and/or post; II, Root fracture in the cervical third; III, Root fracture in the middle third; IV, Root fracture in the apical third; V, Longitudinal root fracture.



**Figure 1**. The sequence of restorative procedures for all experimental groups. A - Nion-Bw group; B - Nion-Ps group; C - Ion-Bw group; D - Ion-Ps group.



**Figure 2.** Image illustrating the typical fracture model of sample restored only with composite resin. Black arrow indicates the twist hackle marking. White arrow indicating the bubbles presence between proximal and occlusal increments that coincides with fracture line. Rc, resin composite; Ad, Adhesive system layer; De, Dentin.



**Figure 3.** Image illustrating the typical fracture model of sample restored with the association of resin modified glass ionomer and composite resin. Black arrow indicates the fracture line on brittle material. White arrow indicates the bubbles presence on glass ionomer base. Rc, Resin composite; RMGI, Resin modified glass ionomer cement; De, dentin.

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#### **SUMMARY**

**Objectives:** to evaluate the effect of resin modified glass ionomer (RMGI) liner and filling technique on marginal adaptation, mechanical properties and stress distributions in molars with large class II restorations.

Methods: Twenty human molars received standardized class II mesio-oclusal-distal cavity preparations and restorations with composite resin (Filtek Supreme, 3M-ESPE; SU) and were randomly divided into 4 groups based on two study factors: presence of liner: Ion, use of resin modified glass ionomer liner, RMGI (Vitremer, 3M-ESPE) or NIon, absence of liner; and filling technique: Ps, incremental filling cavity starting by proximal surface; Bw, incremental filling cavity starting by buccal wall. The tests were performed at 22°C and 50% of relative humidity. Elastic modulus (E) and Vickers Hardness (VH) was measured using dynamic indentation test in 4 deeps and 3 regions of the cavity (mesial, center and distal). Marginal adaptation (gingival, buccal and lingual margin) was analyzed under scanning electron microscopy (SEM) regarding the gap presence. Data of E and VH were analyzed using ANOVA followed by Tukey Test. Marginal adaptation were analyzed using McNemar's test (α = 0.05). Finite Element analysis 3D was developed and stress distribution analyzed qualitatively.

**Results:** E and VH maintained constant for all depths for both restorative techniques and location of the restoration, RMGI values was significantly lower than the composite resin (P=0.001). Gingival margin had significant more gap formation than buccal and lingual margins (P=0.012). No significant difference was found regarding gap formation

for RMGI line and filling technique. The stress concentration at the bottom of the cavity (pulpal floor) was higher in the groups without RMGI liner.

**Conclusions:** The presence of RMGI liner resulted in lower stress concentration at the bottom of the cavity (pulpal floor). The sequence of the increments of composite resin and the presence of liner had no effect on E, VH and marginal adaptation.

**Clinical significance:** Using resin modified glass ionomer liner before incrementally insertion of composite resin in class II molars cause lower stress concentration with probably lower post-operative sensitivity in large and deep posterior cavities.

#### INTRODUCTION

Multisurface restorations in permanent premolars and molars are the most frequent type of dental restorations.<sup>1</sup> The development of the composite resin attends the esthetic and bonding principals, however, there is an undesirable characteristic, polymerization shrinkage, which impact of the success of restorations in posterior teeth.<sup>2</sup> The polymerization shrinkage can be associated with the possibility post-operative sensitivity and gap formation resulting in marginal stain.<sup>3,4</sup> The polymerization shrinkage causes residual stresses in the tooth/restoration complex that may be responsible for the failure of composite restorations.<sup>5,6</sup> These consequences have been reported as the main reasons for replacing composite resin restorations in posterior teeth.<sup>7</sup> The success of composite resin restorations may also be associated directly to their mechanical properties such as hardness and elastic modulus.<sup>2</sup> The hardness reflects the ability of the restoration to resist masticatory forces while the elastic modulus is directly reflected in the generation of shrinkage stress that will dissipate through the tooth structure and restorative material.<sup>8</sup>

Class II cavity preparations, specifically those involving both proximal surfaces, are described by clinicians as one of the most challenging restorative procedures. Restorative protocols and restorative materials have been developed to minimize polymerization shrinkage and their clinical effects. Clinically, even when the incremental filling technique is used, the post-operative sensitivity is frequently recorded. To reduce the side effects undesirable by polymerization shrinkage, an intermediary layer between the composite resin and the pulp floor has been proposed. Resin modified glass ionomer (RMGI) has also been recommended as a liner material, because they replace some of the dentin volume reducing the side effects of polymerization shrinkage.

When restoring a class II cavity in composite resin starting the filling of restorative material by proximal surface the sculpture of restoration is facilitated because the class II cavity is transformed in class I cavity. The shrinkage stress seems to be lower if the restoration has a higher ratio of unbonded/bonded area. This concept is already expressed by the relationship between C-Factor and stress. <sup>14</sup> If the incremental technique is started by proximal surface, the class II that has low C-factor is automatically transformed in class I with rigid proximal walls made with polymerized composite resin with the elastic modulus very similar to dentin. Consequently the C-factor could be interpreted as higher, creating more stress on the occlusal area that is restored posteriorly. On the other hand if the incremental technique started from only buccal or lingual wall the compliance of the cavity could be lower during all the restorative technique, creating better biomechanics performance. However, little is mentioned in the literature about the effect of cuspal strain regarding the sequence of the increment insertion used.

Continue marginal adaptation is one primary objective of composite resin posterior restorations. This problem is based on several potential mechanisms, including that composite cannot be 'condensed' as can amalgam, which leads to an insufficient adaptation of the matrix towards the adjacent tooth. 15 The polymerization shrinkage and the limited access to gingival may also complicate the marginal integrity definition. 15,16 A defect on marginal adaptation in class II is not a parameter to determine indication the substitution of composite resin. On the other hand, class II restorations exhibit a higher failure rate compared to other composite restorations. 17,18 The reasons for premature replacement of posterior resin restorations contradict the scientific evidence. The most frequent reason for replacement given by general practitioners is caries adjacent to the restorative margin, however, most dentists confuse marginal staining with marginal caries. Consequently, if the marginal adaptation is improved, indirectly the premature replacement of the may be reduced. In this way a good marginal quality should be on of the main objective for clinicians.<sup>19</sup> The location of the composite resin increment used on the sequence of stratification technique may impact on the marginal defects. No study has tested this parameter on the marginal adaptation.

A previous study, referred as Part I, examined the effect of filling technique and RMGI layer on cuspal strain, fracture resistance and fracture mode in molars with extensive composite resin restoration. It was found that the order of filling technique had no effect on these parameters. However, the cuspal strain decreased with the RMGI liner during restorative, occlusion and fracture procedure. The main negative response for posterior composite restoration is postoperative sensitivity; commonly this symptom tends to disappear after short period.<sup>20</sup> Although the cusp strain may have a relative effect on post-operative sensitivity, the shrinkage stress generated on the internal walls,

mainly on the pulpal floor may impact more this symptom. The use of the finite element analysis with the specific calculation of the mechanical properties of the restorative materials could better explain the effect of the sequence of the increment stratification and the RMGI liner on the shrinkage residual stress.

Therefore the purpose of this study was to investigate the effect of filling technique and intermediary layer on marginal adaptation under scanning electron microscopy, mechanical properties under indentation test and stress generated under finite element analysis in molars class II restored with composite resin. The null hypothesis was that the restorative materials and filling techniques would not affect the marginal adaptation, mechanical properties and stress distribution.

#### MATERIALS AND METHODS

### Teeth selection, embedment process and cavity preparation

Twenty extracted intact caries-free human third molars were used with approval from the University Ethics Committee in Human Research. The teeth were selected to have an inter-cuspal width within a maximum deviation of not more than 10% of the determined mean. The measured inter-cuspal width varied between 5.2 to 6.1 mm. The teeth were embedded in a polystyrene resin (Cristal, Piracicaba, SP, Brazil) up to 2.0 mm below the cervical line to simulate alveolar bone. The teeth were cleaned using a rubber cup and fine pumice water slurry and distributed into four groups (n=5).

The ten teeth per group had Class II cavities with 4.5 mm inter-cuspal width and 5 mm depth, using a diamond bur (#3099 diamond bur, KG Sorensen, Barueri, SP, Brazil) in a high-speed hand-piece with copious air-water spray prepared standardized with cavity preparation machine.<sup>21</sup> The materials used in this study were Filtek Supreme (3M-ESPE; SU) and Vitremer (3M-ESPE; Ion). Adhesive systems (Clearfil SE Bond –

Kuraray) were used according to the manufacturer instructions. The cavities were restored using two filling techniques: started the filling by proximal surface (Ps) or started the filling by buccal wall (Bw) and two restorative materials: presence (Ion) or absence (NIon) of resin modified glass ionomer as intermediary layer. The intermediary layer presented 1.5mm of thickness and it was placed with commercial syringe (Centrix, Shelton, CT, USA). Average volume of composite per increment used was 27.66 mm<sup>3</sup> (no more than 2 mm of thickness). Each increment was light-cured for 20 s using light source with 600W/cm<sup>2</sup> output (Demetron Kerr; Orange, CA, USA) by placing from the occlusal direction closest to the cavity.

### Vickers Hardness (VH) and Elastic (E) modulus measurements

The restored teeth from each group were used for the analysis of mechanical properties (E and VH) of the composites at four depths. Each restored tooth was sectioned in the mesial-distal direction into two halves using a precision saw (Isomet, Buehler). One section per tooth was randomly selected for assessment of the mechanical properties. The specimens were embedded with methacrylate resin (Instrumental Instrumentos de Medição Ltda, São Paulo, SP, Brazil). Prior to testing, the surfaces were finished with silicon-carbide paper (#600, 800, 1200, and 2000 grit sizes; Norton, Campinas, SP, Brazil) and polished with metallographic Diamond pastes (6-, 3-, 1-, and 1/4-lm sizes; Arotec, São Paulo, SP, Brazil). Using a Vickers indenter (CSM Micro- Hardness Tester; CSM Instruments, Peseux, Switzerland), indentations were made every 1.0 mm from 0.5 mm to 3.5 mm, measured from the pulpal wall of the restorations in center, mesial and distal regions of the restorations. The indentation was carried out with controlled force, whereby the test load was increased or decreased at a constant speed ranging between 0 and 500 mN in 20-second intervals. The maximum force of 500 mN was held

for five seconds. The load and the penetration depth of the indenter were continuously measured during the load-unload hysteresis. The universal hardness is defined as the applied force divided by the apparent area of the indentation at the maximum force. The measurements were expressed in VH units by applying the conversion factor supplied by the manufacturer. The indentation modulus was calculated from the slope of the tangent of the indentation depth curve at the maximum force and is comparable to the E of the material.

### Residual Stress Calculation 3D - Finite Element analysis (FEA)

To calculate corresponding residual stress in the tooth, a 3D finite element simulation was carried out. A simplified box shaped Mesial-Occlusal-Distal (MOD) restoration with the cavity floor in dentin was created. The model was designed in 2D plane and expanded in 3D plane using MSC.Mentat (pre- and post-processor) and the finite element analysis using MSC.Marc (solver) software (MSC Software Corporation, Santa Ana, CA, USA). A simplified boundary condition was assumed at the cut-plane of the root (fixed zero-displacements in both horizontal and vertical directions). The elastic modulus of enamel was 84 GPa and Poisson's ratio 0.30, the dentin elastic modulus was 18 GPa and the Poisson's ratio 0.23.5 The elastic modulus values of the materials represented in 4 groups were obtained in this study. The Poisson's rate was chosen to be the same for all materials at 0.24.5 Four FEA models were created simulating the two study factors. The insertion of RMGI liner and the sequence of the stratification of the increments were simulated following the same procedures created on experimental methods. Polymerization shrinkage was simulated by thermal analogy. Temperature was reduced by 1°C, while the linear shrinkage value (post-gel shrinkage) was entered as the coefficient of linear thermal expansion. Modified von Mises equivalent stress was used to express the stress conditions, using compressive-tensile strength ratios of 37.3, 3.0, and 6.25 for the enamel, dentin, and composite, respectively.<sup>22</sup> Stress distribution was analyzed qualitatively taking into account the modified von Mises equivalent stress on tooth remaining.

### Marginal adaptation measurement

After thermal and mechanical cycling the teeth were submitted to marginal adaptation test. All margins of restoration were finished with fined diamond bur (KG Sorensen, Barueri, SP, Brazil) and proximal margins were finished with flexible disks (SofLex Pop-On, 3M ESPE, St. Paul, USA). After finishing procedures, impressions of the teeth were made using a polyether impression material (Impregum Soft; 3M ESPE) and epoxy resin replicas were obtained (Epoxicure Resin, Buehler). The replicas were mounted on aluminum stubs and scanning electron microscopy (SEM) evaluation (EVO NA 10, Carl Zeiss, Jena, Germany) (Figure 1). SEM was carried out at a standard 200X magnification. Each margin (buccal, lingual and gingival) of the restoration were divided into 3 regions per each surface and analyzed at 200x magnification and expressed as percentages (Figure 1).

### **Statistical Analysis**

The E and VH data were tested for normal distribution (Shapiro-Wilk, p.0.05) and equality of variances (Levene test, p.0.05), followed by parametric statistical tests. Analysis of variance (ANOVA) was performed in a split-plot arrangement, with the plot represented by the filling technique, restorative material, and their interaction and the subplot represented by depth of the cavity. Multiple comparisons were made using the Tukey test. The frequency of the gap presence was analyzed using McNemar's test ( $\alpha$  =

0.05) for analyze of marginal adaptation. Stress distribution by FEA was analyzed qualitatively.

#### RESULTS

### Vickers hardness (VH)

The VH values in GPa for the two filling technique and presence or absence of resin modified glass ionomer base at various depths of the restorations are shown in Fig 2. The Vickers hardness maintained constant for all depths for both restorative techniques and location of the restoration. The Vickers hardness of the resin modified was significantly lower than the composite resin, irrespective of the filling technique and location of the restoration.

### Elastic modulus (E)

The E values in GPa for the two filling technique and presence or absence of resin modified glass ionomer base at various depths of the restorations are shown in Fig 1. The elastic modulus maintained constant for all depths for both restorative techniques and location of the restoration. The Elastic modulus of the resin modified was significantly lower than the composite resin, irrespective of the filling technique and location of the restoration.

### **Finite Element Analysis**

Stress distributions for all groups and are shown in Fig. 3. The stress concentration at the bottom of the cavity (pulpal floor) was higher in the groups without resin modified glass ionomer base. Relevant stress concentration is verified the proximal cavosurface margin. The Bw filling technique produced little more stress on the external surface of the enamel than Ps filling technique.

### Marginal adaptation

The distributions of the gap presence for the two filling technique and presence or absences of resin modified glass ionomer base at proximal surfaces of the restorations are shown in Table 1. McNemar's test showed the gingival margin had significant more gap formation than on buccal and lingual margins, irrespective of the tested groups. The gap presence evaluated at mesial and distal surface of the restoration on proximal surfaces (buccal and lingual) and at gingival margin.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The null hypothesis was rejected; the RMGI liner and filling technique would not affect the marginal adaptation and mechanical properties, but their affect the stress distribution. Interest in esthetic dentistry has resulted in composite resin restorations being increasingly used not only as a replacement material for failed or unaesthetic amalgams but also as the first choice to restore posterior teeth.<sup>23</sup> Mechanical performance, wear resistance, and esthetic potentials of composite resins have significantly improved over the past few years.<sup>24</sup> On the other hand, polymerization shrinkage of composite resins remains a challenge and still imposes limitations in the application of direct techniques.<sup>25,26</sup> Polymerization shrinkage causes detachment of the enamel margins and can form gaps that result in marginal microleakage that allows the passage of bacteria, fluids, molecules, or ions between the cavity surface and composite resin.<sup>27,28</sup> The marginal gap formation may also contribute with the marginal staining, which may impact in premature replacement because the marginal staining is confused with secondary caries.

Some factors are suggested by researchers to reduce the effects of polymerization shrinkage such as the order, shape and size of the incremental filling technique.<sup>29</sup> RMGI is a better option for using as a liner, because of their higher

mechanical strength compared to the conventional glass ionomer and their ability to set on command.<sup>30</sup> Furthermore, RMGI have been recommended as liners under resin composites to reduce the amount of polymerization shrinkage, potential microleakage, and secondary caries.<sup>31</sup> However, the benefit of using RMGI liners for reducing polymerization shrinkage and microleakage is still controversial. While some researchers have reported that using RMGI liner failed to reduce gap formation and marginal sealing<sup>32</sup>, others study have reported significant positive effects reducing microleakage.<sup>33</sup> In this study the use of RMGI liner as intermediary layer did not show any effect on marginal adaptation.

Class II restorations with resin composites can be placed at an acceptable standard if the gingival margin is in sound enamel, but there is much debate regarding marginal integrity that extend to dentin.<sup>34,35</sup> The microleakage tends to be higher when the gingival finishing line is defined in dentin.<sup>34</sup> The thermal and mechanical changes in the mouth are important factors from the point of microleakage and durability of the restoration due to disparity in contraction and expansion between the tooth and the restoration.<sup>36</sup> For this reason the specimens were submitted to thermo and mechanical cycling. This is important to turn the marginal evaluation more realistic. In this study the results showed more gap formation on gingival margin than on proximal margins (buccal and lingual), confirming that the great preoccupation in composite resin class II restorations is the gingival margin. The thickness of the enamel is smaller and also the enamel prisms orientation difficult the bonding procedure on gingival margin of class II. Also there is some evidence that marginal adaptation has a moderate correlation in cervical restorations with clinical retention and in Class II restorations (proximal enamel) with clinical marginal staining.<sup>37</sup>

The elastic modulus and other properties of these different types of composites have been shown to be fairly variable *in vitro* studies.<sup>38</sup> Shrinkage stress is generated when the composite material becomes solid enough to transfer stresses that can no longer be relieved by flow, and the post-gel shrinkage of composites is directly related to the generation of shrinkage stress.<sup>39</sup> The advantage of the use RMGI liner can be related to the lower modulus of elasticity of intermediary layer, which absorb stress when the restorative resin shrinks over them and transmit the contraction force to the adjacent tooth structure.<sup>40</sup> The difference in coefficient of thermal expansion and the elastic modulus between the composite resin and the tooth structure may result in stress concentration generating interfacial gap.

The mechanical properties such as Vickers hardness and elastic modulus were calculated with dynamic indentation test verifying that the composite shows higher values than the glass ionomer resin. The difference in composition of the both material, mainly the filler content, can explain the difference on elastic modulus. The post-gel shrinkage of RMGI is also lower than the composite resin. Biomechanically it is favorable to have less rigid material such as liner and a more rigid material to restore the entire cavity, supporting the masticatory loads. The complexity of a FEA can differ depending on the modeled structure, research question, and available knowledge or operator experience. For example, FEA can be performed using two-dimensional (2D) or three-dimensional (3D) models. The choice between these two models depends on many inter-related factors, such as the complexity of the geometry, material properties, mode of analysis, required accuracy and the applicability of general findings, and finally the time and costs involved.<sup>39</sup> Creating a 3D complex model can be considered more costly, because it is more labor-intensive and time-consuming and may require additional technology for acquiring 3D geometrical data and generation of models.<sup>41</sup>

Simplified models can provides significant results and immediate insight with relatively low operating cost and reduced analysis time.

The finite element analysis shows that groups without RMGI liner showed higher stress concentrations in the pulp cavity wall. Stress concentration that may be responsible for the effects of post-operative sensitivity. The hydrodynamic theory has been generally accepted for decades as the best explanation for the response to external stimuli. Finite element analysis showed higher stress concentration on the pulpal floor when the RMGI liner was not used. Regarding the mechanical deformation within dentine may induce dentinal fluid flow that triggers a nerve impulse; and given the concentration of nerve endings in association with odontoblastic cell bodies, mechanical deformation at the pulpal surface could trigger a nerve impulse directly. Explain the frequent patient description of post-operative sensitivity in large and deeper cavities. This study has analyzed the effect of the initial transformation of class II, which has more compliance, to class I. The results showed little stress in base of cuspal in this situation. Although the sequence of the stratification of the composite restorations had little influence on the stress into the composite mass that reflect in similar biomechanics behavior.

Therefore the use of the RMGI liner besides the benefits showed in part I that reduce the cusp deflection, the reduction of the stress concentration on the pulpal floor ten confirm the recommendation of the use RMGI liner in deeper class II composite resin restorations. The order of resin filler showed no significant influence on the residual shrinkage stress. Start restoring the proximal surfaces is more valid because it has the advantage of ease in restoration sculpture.

### **CONCLUSIONS**

Within the limitations of this *in vitro* study, it can be concluded that:

- The order of filling technique had no influence on marginal adaptation, mechanical properties and stress distribution.
- The gingival marginal present great gaps formation than proximal margins.
- The use of RMGI liner decreased the stress concentration in pulpal floor of class II restorations in composite resin.

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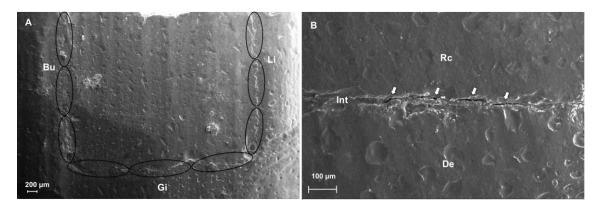
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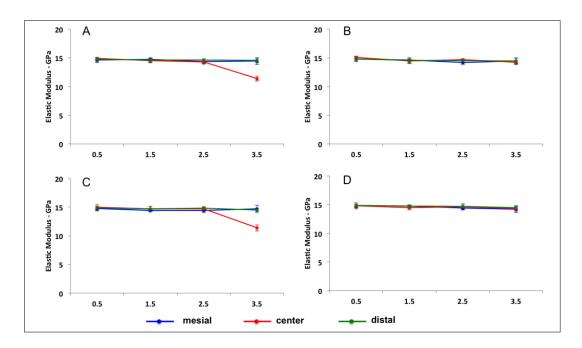
**Table 1.** Frequency of the gap detection on each margin of the proximal restorations medial and distal (90 thirds – 30 thirds per each margin: buccal, gingival and lingual).

Groups	Buccal margin				Gingival magin				Lingual margin				Total
	Oc	Md	Gi	Total	Bu	Md	Li	Total	Oc	Md	Gi	Total	
Nion-Bw	0	0	1	2 (3%)	4	6	6	16 (26%)	0	1	1	2 (3%)	20 (11%)
Nion-Ps	1	0	0	2 (3%)	8	4	0	12 (20%)	0	0	0	0	14 (8%)
Ion-Bw	0	0	1	(3%)	4	4	6	14 (23%)	0	0	0	0	16 (9%)
Ion-Ps	0	0	1	2 (3%)	6	6	2	14 (23%)	0	0	2	2 (3%)	18 (10%)

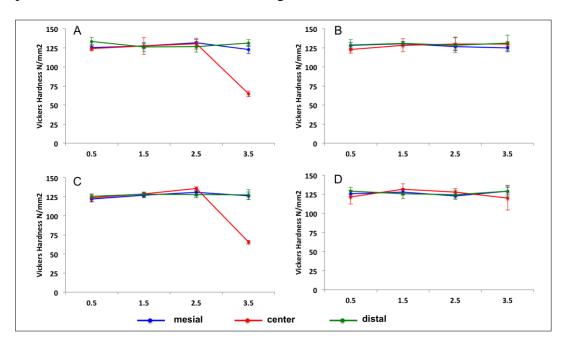
Oc, oclusal third of the buccal and lingual proximal margin; Md, middle third of the buccal and lingual proximal margin; Gi, gingival third of the buccal and lingual proximal margin. Bu, buccal third of gingival margin; Md, middle third of gingival margin; Li, lingual third of gingival margin.



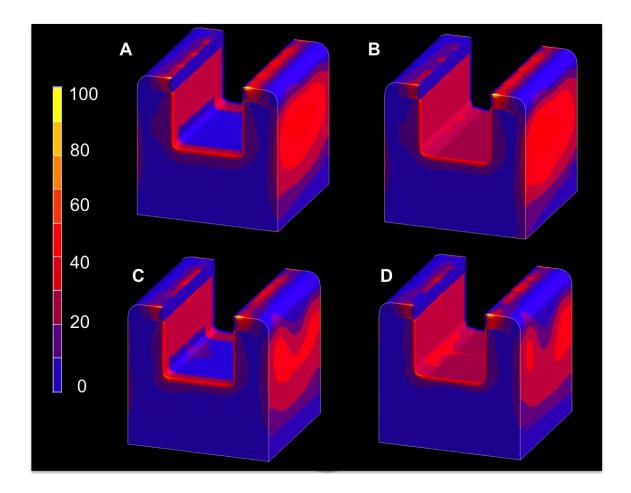
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**Figure 1.** Elastic Modulus at various restoration depths and locations for (A) restoration starting from buccal wall with resin modified glass ionomer; (B) restoration starting from buccal wall without resin modified glass ionomer; (C) restoration starting from proximal surface with resin modified glass ionomer; (D) restoration starting from proximal surface without resin modified glass ionomer.



**Figure 2.** Vickers Hardness at various restoration depths and locations for (A) restoration starting from buccal wall with resin modified glass ionomer; (B) restoration starting from buccal wall without resin modified glass ionomer; (C) restoration starting from proximal surface with resin modified glass ionomer; (D) restoration starting from proximal surface without resin modified glass ionomer.



**Figure 3.** Stress distributions calculated by Finite Element Analysis (Modified von Mises equivalent stresses; MPa) for (A) restoration starting from buccal wall with resin modified glass ionomer liner; (B) restoration starting from buccal wall without resin modified glass ionomer liner; (C) restoration starting from proximal surface with resin modified glass ionomer liner; (D) restoration starting from proximal surface without resin modified glass ionomer liner.



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# Restaurações de resinas compostas em dentes posteriores — Controlando os efeitos da contração de polimerização

### **RESUMO**

A contração de polimerização da resina composta pode desenvolver tensões na interface dente/restauração e estrutura dental remanescente, resultando em deflexão de cúspide, sensibilidade pós-operatória e fenda marginal. Este artigo apresenta por meio da associação de evidência científica e relato de caso uma reflexão de como o clínico pode minimizar os efeitos da contração de resina composta em dentes posteriores. Ainda persistem dúvidas sobre resinas em dentes posteriores, que é um dos procedimentos mais prevalentes em saúde. A associação de estudos laboratoriais e simulação computacional por meio de elementos finitos podem auxiliar na solução de problemas clínicos constantes. A odontologia baseada em evidência que dá suporte à tomada de decisão é fundamental para o sucesso clínico destes procedimentos.

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Resinas compostas. Dentes posteriores. Contração de polimerização. Tensão. Deformação.

#### **ABSTRACT**

The polymerization shrinkage of composite resin is responsible for the stress in the tooth/restoration interface and into remaining tooth structure, causing cusp deflection, post-operative sensitivity and marginal gap. This study present the association of scientific evidence with case report the reflection how the clinicians can minimize the effects of the polymerization shrinkage in posterior teeth. Still remaing doubts about resins posterior restorations, which is one of the most prevalent health procedures. A combination of laboratory studies and computer simulation using finite elements can assist the clinicians to solve frequents problems. Dentistry based in evidence that supports the decision-making is critical to the clinical success of these restorative procedures.

#### **KEYWORDS**

Composite resins. Posterior teeth. Polymerization shrinkage. Stress. Strain.

## SIGNIFICÂNCIA CLÍNICA

Ao realizar restaurações em dentes posteriores, controlar a contração de polimerização é fundamental para minimizar os efeitos imediatos como a sensibilidade pós-operatória, trincas em esmalte e formação de fendas marginais. Para alcançar estes benefícios, priorizar o uso de isolamento absoluto, optar por resina composta microhíbrida que associe boas propriedades mecânicas com reduzida contração; inserção incremental oblíqua com incrementos não menores que 2,0mm; aliado ao ajuste oclusal são ações que estão ao domínio do operador e que resultam em benefícios consideráveis para o sucesso clínico de resinas compostas em dentes posteriores.

# INTRODUÇÃO

O volume de materiais restauradores comercializados no mercado odontológico mundial leva-se a inferir que mais de 500 milhões de restaurações diretas são realizadas em cada ano em todo o mundo. Destas, cerca de 261 milhões são restaurações diretas confeccionadas em resina composta. As estimativas acima mencionados sugerem que a confecção de restaurações diretas em resina composta representa uma das intervenções em saúde humana mais prevalentes em todo o mundo. Muitas destas restaurações constituem substituições de antigas restaurações de amálgama ou mesmo de resina composta. A substituição prematura de restaurações de resina em dentes posterior se baseiam muitas vezes em razões que contradizem as evidências científicas. O motivo mais frequente definido pelos clínicos para a substituição é a presença de cárie adjacentes às margens da restauração, denominada cárie secundária ou recorrente. No entanto, a maioria dos profissionais confundem pigmentação marginal com presença de cárie marginal. Diante disso, pode-se deduzir que a maioria das restaurações são substituídas prematuramente.

A resina composta tem sido largamente utilizada para restaurar dentes posteriores uma vez que possui baixo custo, proporciona conservação de estrutura dental sadia, fato possível devido à adesão aos substratos dentais,<sup>6,7</sup> resultando em recuperação do comportamento biomecânico de forma similar ao dente hígido.<sup>8</sup> Porém, a técnica necessária para a confecção de restaurações utilizando resina composta, assim como as propriedades do material podem acarretar efeitos como a sensibilidade pósoperatória, deflexão de cúspide, até trincas na estrutura dental remanescente e

descoloração marginal.<sup>9,10</sup> Muitos autores associam essas falhas com tensões geradas durante a contração de polimerização.<sup>11-13</sup>

As propriedades mecânicas das resinas compostas usadas nos dentes posteriores devem atender aos princípios de resistência e adesão suficiente para suportar cargas mastigatórias. <sup>14</sup> Os compósitos resinosos são formados por uma fase inorgânica, composta por partículas de carga que auxiliam no aumento das propriedades mecânicas do material, e uma fase orgânica que é responsável pela redução volumétrica durante a polimerização, a contração de polimerização. <sup>15</sup> O mecanismo utilizado para criar novos compostos envolve modificações em componentes monoméricos e nas quantidades e tipos de cargas. Monômeros tais como bis-GMA (bisfenol A-glicidil metacrilato) e TEGDMA (trietilenoglicol dimetacrilato) podem apresentar até 12,5% de contração volumétrica, sendo que este valor pode ser reduzido quando é acrescentado componentes inorgânicos à matriz monomérica. <sup>16</sup> A contração de polimerização é ainda dependente da concentração da carga, das características de polimerização, do volume dos incrementos e do tamanho da cavidade. <sup>14,17-20</sup>

Durante o processo de polimerização das resinas compostas, duas etapas são importantes no que se relacionam com as tensões geradas na estrutura dental: a primeira, onde as tensões geradas são irrelevantes devido a capacidade de deformação do material (fase pré-gel), gerando relaxamento destas tensões; e outra em que o enrijecimento do material, caracterizado pela geração do módulo de elasticidade, representa a fonte de geração de tensões no substrato devido à contração do material (fase pós-gel).<sup>21,22</sup>

Diferentes técnicas de polimerização têm sido propostas para minimizar os efeitos da contração de polimerização preocupando-se ao mesmo tempo com as propriedades mecânicas da resina composta. <sup>14,19,20</sup> O uso de baixa intensidade seguido de maior intensidade de luz pode prolongar a fase inicial (pré-gel), e assim reduzir as tensões geradas durante a contração da resina composta. <sup>23</sup> Esta menor intensidade na contração está relacionada ao processo de polimerização que é extremamente dinâmico, conduzindo a maior flexibilidade dos monômeros, devido ao aumento no tempo da fase pré-gel, na qual a resina é mais viscoelástico, proporcionando maior relaxamento das cadeias em formação. <sup>11,21</sup>

Técnicas de inserção incremental têm sido frequentemente indicadas para resultar em adequadas propriedades mecânicas da resina composta em maiores profundidades da cavidade sem, no entanto gerar altos níveis de tensões de contração de

polimerização. Para atuar de forma sinérgica na redução dos efeitos colaterais indesejados da contração de polimerização e ainda minimizar os efeitos biológicos em cavidades profundas, uma camada intermediária entre a resina composta e a parede pulpar tem sido proposta. Materiais ionoméricos convencionais ou modificados por resina tem sido recomendados como material intermediário. Esta camada substitui parte do volume de resina composta, podendo reduzir consequentemente os efeitos colaterais da contração de polimerização. Em molares tratados endodonticamente o preenchimento da câmara pulpar pode facilitar o acesso aos canais frente à necessidade de retratamento endodôntico, como também reduzir as tensões e deflexões de cúspides causadas pela contração do compósito resinoso utilizado. 26

As restaurações Classe II MOD são convencionalmente restauradas iniciando-se a inserção dos incrementos pelas caixas proximais, transformando-se desta forma a Classe II em uma Classe I, sendo posteriormente finalizada a restauração, <sup>24,27</sup> sendo que esta maneira de execução facilita da execução da escultura anatômica do dente. <sup>24</sup> Bicalho *et al.* (2013), <sup>24</sup> mostrou que o início da restauração pelas caixas proximais ou pela oclusal não modifica o padrão de distribuição de tensões. Porém na perspectiva de facilitar o procedimento técnico o início pelas proximais tende a ser mais benéfico. Dentro das incontáveis perguntas que permeiam a realidade do profissional frente a procedimentos restauradores diretos em dentes posteriores, a busca por evidências científicas que tragam ao clínico maior segurança é imperativa para o sucesso profissional. Portanto este trabalho tem por objetivo apresentar a associação entre dados relevantes de pesquisas laboratoriais e ensaios computacionais com o relato de caso clínico que visam minimizar as tensões de contração de polimerização de resinas compostas geradas em procedimentos restauradores em dentes posteriores.

### **RELATO DE CASO**

O objetivo deste trabalho é descrever um caso clínico de técnica restauradora direta de resina composta para reduzir os efeitos deletérios da contração de polimerização em restauração classe II em molar inferior (Figura 1). O dente 36 apresentava restauração em amálgama fraturada, aliado à fratura de borda da estrutura dental e desadaptação marginal, levando à indicação da substituição. Sendo então indicada a restauração em resina composta. A restauração foi removida com ponta

diamantada em alta rotação sob constante e abundante irrigação. Foi então realizado o isolamento absoluto (Figura 2), que facilita sobremaneira o controle de contaminação do campo operatório e a minimização das tensões de contração de polimerização pelo efeito da possível presença de maior umidade.(Bicalho et al., 2014) Foi então realizado condicionamento com ácido fosfórico (Scotchbond, 3M ESPE, St. Paul, MN, EUA) por 30 s apenas em esmalte (Figura 3), seguido da lavagem e secagem deste substrato com jato de ar. O sistema adesivo autocondicionante (ClearFill Protect Bond, Kuraray Medical, Osaka, Japan) foi aplicado, iniciando-se com a aplicação do primer por 20 segundos de forma ativa (Figura 4), leve jato de ar por 10 s para facilitar a volatilização do solvente contido neste, seguido da aplicação do adesivo em toda a cavidade (Figura 5). A fotoativação foi efetuada por 20 s, empregando luz halógena (Demetron LC, Kerr, Orange, CA, EUA). A resina composta nanoparticulada (Filtek Z350XT, 3M Espe, St. Paul, MN, USA) foi inserida inicialmente na região proximal, a fim de favorecer a escultura do dente a ser restaurado, em incrementos de 2mm de forma oblíqua (Figura 6 minimizando as tensões de contração (Figura 8). A fotoativação de cada incremento no modo de intensidade progressiva de luz, cuja luz inicia-se com baixa intensidade e aumenta gradualmente até atingir o máximo de energia que permanece pelo maior tempo de ativação a cada incremento. Esta técnica foi realizada afastando-se a ponta do aparelho fotoativador em 1cm por 5 s, finalizando com esta colocada o mais próximo possível do incremento realizado por 15 s (Figura 9). Em sequência, foram realizados os incrementos referentes à dentina (Z350XT A3D), esboçando o formato a ser finalizada a restauração. Esta etapa se faz importante para que não haja resina composta em locais onde devem ser encontrados sulcos principais e secundários, dificultando o estabelecimento da correta anatomia do elemento a ser restaurado. Deve ser enfatizado que os incrementos foram realizados de forma a não se tocarem e não unirem paredes opostas no momento da polimerização. Após o término dos incrementos referentes à dentina, foram realizados os incrementos relacionados à camada de esmalte (Z350XT A2E), para finalização da restauração, restabelecendo forma e função ao elemento em questão (Figura 10). Em seguida, o isolamento absoluto foi removido, e o ajuste oclusal realizado (Figura 11), o que minimiza a concentração de tensões nas margens das restaurações (Figura 12), seguido do polimento da restauração utilizando pontas abrasivas (Jiffy, Ultradent Products Inc., Salt Lake City, UT, USA) e pasta de polimento (Enamelize, Cosmedent Inc., Chicago, IL, USA), obtendo-se superfície lisa e brilhante (Figura 13).

## **DISCUSSÃO**

A resina composta tem se mostrado o material restaurador ideal para recuperar estruturalmente dentes posteriores devido a ótimas propriedades mecânicas e integração adesiva à estrutura dental. Para viabilizar o uso em dentes posteriores a necessidade de adequada resistência à compressão e módulo de elasticidade são imperativos para o sucesso clínico. O módulo de elasticidade semelhante ao da dentina conduz à diminuição das tensões de contração de polimerização transferidas à estrutura dental e a interface dente-restauração. 14,19,20,22 O aumento da quantidade de carga na resina é um método que tem sido deduzido por muitos como sendo suficiente para reduzir a contração de polimerização, porém no caminho oposto faz com que o material tenha um aumento significativo em sua rigidez. A maior rigidez resulta em menor capacidade de escoamento do material durante a polimerização o que acaba por gerar maiores tensões. Por outro lado o valor de módulo de elasticidade próximo ao da dentina é essencial para minimizar o desgaste na superfície oclusal e ainda resultar em adequada resistência do complexo dente restauração. 19,26

Não há relação direta entre substituição de restaurações diretas e contração de polimerização. O que se pode inferir é que altas tensões de contração podem resultar em fendas marginais, que ao acumularem pigmentos podem mais tarde resultar em indicativo errôneo de necessidade de substituição de resinas em posteriores. Um acompanhamento clínico de 22 anos de restaurações de resina composta em dentes posteriores mostrou que estas podem apresentar pigmentação marginal, todavia este não é um indicativo principal para que as restaurações sejam substituídas. As mesmas podem apresentar-se funcionalmente adequadas, a não ser que seja evidenciada a presença de cárie recorrente através de exames complementares.<sup>2</sup> O estabelecimento de corretos e cientificamente embasados critérios para substituição de restaurações são modelos educacionais que devemos perseguir continuamente.

No presente relato de caso foi utilizado uma resina nanoparticulada que tem contração de polimerização relativamente baixa em relação a resinas convencionais. <sup>14</sup> por outro lado este material apresenta propriedades mecânicas adequadas para o uso em dentes posteriores. A técnica de inserção da resina é um fator importante no desenvolvimento das tensões geradas pela contração de polimerização. <sup>14,19,20</sup> Por muito tempo se propagou o conceito de que o uso de técnica incremental reduz as tensões de

contração. Bicalho *et al.*, em dois artigos publicados em 2014, <sup>19,20</sup> demonstraram que a técnica de incremento único, ou "bulk" proporciona a formação de significativamente menores tensões de contração, menor deformação de cúspide em comparação à técnica incremental convencional. Porém tensão de contração não é a única propriedade esperada de um material restaurador adequado para dentes posteriores. A escolha da técnica deve basear-se na otimização de todo procedimento, como a capacidade de polimerização adequada da resina inserida, resultando em união satisfatória, sendo que a técnica de incremental oblíqua é capaz de promover estes requisitos. 19,20 A técnica de inserção oblíqua de incrementos tem sido demonstrada como mais eficiente na redução de tensões de contração do que técnicas de inserção horizontal. <sup>14</sup> Quanto ao volume de cada incremento, Bicalho et al. (2014)<sup>19,20</sup> compararam o efeito de diferentes volumes de resina nas tensões geradas na parede do preparo. Foram avaliados volumes de incrementos de 1,0mm, 2,0mm e incremento único, e os resultados demonstraram que a restauração em incremento único não resulta em adequadas propriedades mecânicas, e que o uso de incrementos de maior volume (2,0mm) gera menores tensões e deformação de cúspides com excelentes propriedades mecânicas.

O método de polimerização é uma estratégia viável para diminuir a contração de polimerização da resina composta. Quando baixa intensidade de luz é utilizada inicialmente, as tensões são reduzidas em percentual próximo a 30%. A definição de integridade marginal de materiais restauradores é fator importante para o desempenho em longo prazo nas margens das restaurações, principalmente quando estas estão próximas dos contatos oclusais. Para diminuir o risco de falha marginal, a verificação dos contatos oclusais antes e durante o preparo da cavidade é recomendado para evitar o contato oclusal na interface da restauração. A oclusão balanceada parece ser fator chave para minimizar intercorrências que interferem no sucesso de restaurações em dentes posteriores, principalmente quando os contatos oclusais são determinados próximo a margem da restauração. <sup>30</sup>

Desta forma, a escolha do material adequado, juntamente com a habilidade necessária para a confecção dos procedimentos restauradores diretos, sempre aliada à decisões e práticas baseadas em evidências científicas, promovem a realização de procedimentos de sucesso.

# CONCLUSÕES E ORIENTAÇÕES AO CLÍNICO

A contração de polimerização deve ser um desafio constante a ser superado pelas indústrias no que se refere ao desenvolvimento de novas resinas compostas, mas também deve ser considerado pelos clínicos com o objetivo de incorporar à sua pratica procedimentos que minimizem este efeito.

Alguns fatores podem ser definidos como alternativas para redução da geração de tensões resultantes de polimerização como:

- Preserve estrutura dental, reduzindo ao máximo possível a remoção de substrato sadio, pois maior volume de estrutura minimiza os efeitos das tensões resultantes da contração;
- Selecione uma resina composta que associe boas propriedades mecânicas, principalmente módulo de elasticidade próximo ao da dentina, com menor contração de polimerização;
- Utilize sempre que possível o isolamento absoluto para realizar procedimentos restauradores em dentes posteriores, pois este minimiza a ocorrência de contaminação e minimizar as tensões de contração de polimerização;
- Utilize inserção incremental com volume de 2,0mm, iniciando pelas caixas proximais em cavidades classe II;
- Ao polimerizar cada incremento, principalmente os que estão em contatos diretos com a estrutura remanescente, utilize intensidade progressiva de luz com fonte de luz que possui intensidade suficiente;
- Ao remover o isolamento defina um adequado ajuste oclusal restabelecendo a oclusão balanceada e evitando o contato oclusal na resina composta muito próximo às margens da cavidade.

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# **FIGURAS**



Figura 1: Aspecto inicial do dente 46 com fratura de margem da restauração e manchamento dental periférico.



Figura 2: Preparo finalizado resumindo a remoção da restauração, com instalação de matriz parcial, estabilizada por grampo específico e cunha de madeira e isolamento do campo operatório.



Figura 3: Condicionamento ácido seletivo do esmalte do ângulo cavosuperficial para viabilizar maior integração de adesivo autocondicionante ao preparo.



Figura 4: Aplicação de primer do sistema adesivo autocondicionante utilizado para hibridização da restauração.



Figura 5: Aplicação de adesivo do sistema adesivo autocondicionante utilizado para hibridização da restauração.



Figura 6: Inserção de incremento oblíquo iniciando pela caixa proximal.



Figura 7: Inserção de incremento oblíquo reconstruindo crista marginal, resultando em cavidade similar a classe I.

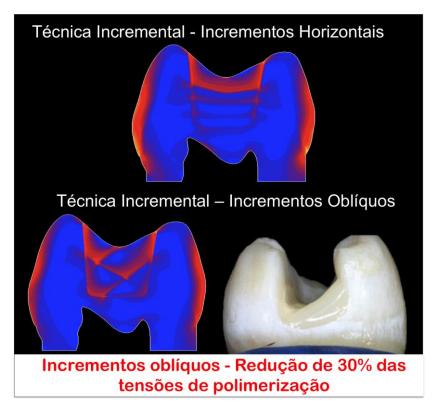


Figura 8: Imagem de modelo de elementos finitos mostrando que a técnica de inserção obliqua resulta em redução de 30% das tensões de contração de polimerização.

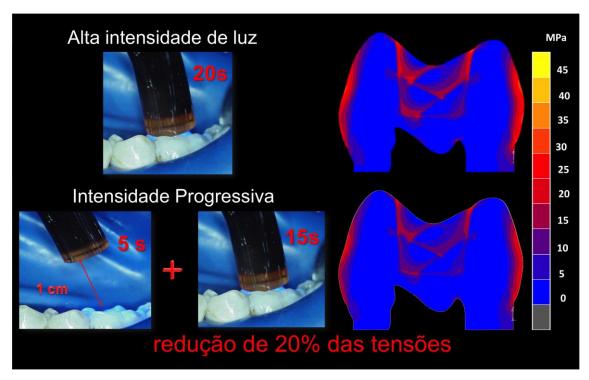


Figura 9: Sequência que ilustra por meio de modelo de elementos finitos de técnica de ativação com afastamento da fonte de luz por 1cm nos primeiros 5 segundos seguido da aproximação da fonte para resultar em alta intensidade de luz, demonstrando redução das tensões de contração de polimerização.



Figura 10: Inserção incremental concluída que contribui para recuperação mais facilitada da anatomia dental.



Figura 11: Checagem dos contatos oclusais determinando a necessidade de ajuste oclusal para distribuição equilibrada das forças oclusais.

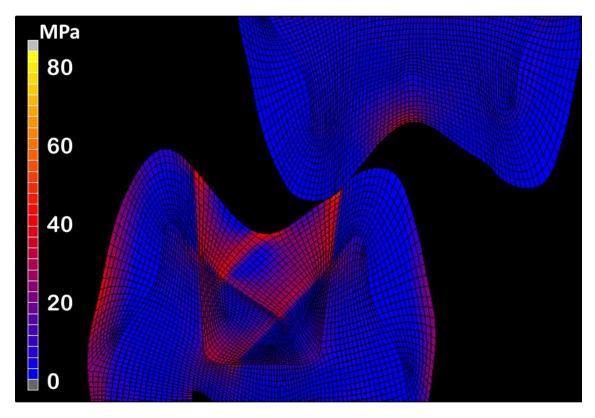


Figura 12: Simulação de contatos oclusais em dentes posteriores e atenuação das tensões com contatos mais equilibrados e mais distantes da margem dente/restauração.



Figura 13. Aspecto final da restauração.

# Considerações finais

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# 4- CONSIDERAÇÕES FINAIS

A função primária dos dentes posteriores é o preparo do alimento, por meio do processo de mastigação para suprir as necessidades do organismo, caracterizando assim um processo tipicamente biomecânico. (Versluis *et al.;* 2009). Dentes posteriores são projetados para preparar e triturar os alimentos por meio de transferência de forças, a anatomia oclusal permite a manutenção da adequada função mastigatória e transmissão das tensões e deformações geradas pelas forças oclusais ao suporte radicular. Os contatos entre os dentes antagonistas devem ocorrer normalmente durante as atividades funcionais de um dente comprometido quando restaurado de forma direta ou indireta. Como naturalmente os dentes posteriores estão expostos a forças mecânicas de maiores intensidades, as tensões geradas são proporcionalmente maiores em comparação com os dentes anteriores. Com isso pode-se prever risco de falhas maiores, com consequente comprometimento das restaurações ou até mesmo resultando em perda dental.

Integridade marginal de restaurações diretas em resinas compostas é fator importante para o desempenho clínico em longo prazo, principalmente quando estas margens estão próximas dos contatos oclusais (Rodriguez et al., 2011). Para diminuir o risco de falha marginal, verificação de contatos oclusais, antes e durante o preparo da cavidade é recomendado para evitar o contato oclusal na interface da restauração. O contato oclusal com o antagonista na margem da restauração deve ser evitado para melhor desempenho restaurador em dentes posteriores. Fica evidente nos achados deste estudo que o ajuste oclusal e a definição de contatos oclusais equilibrados são fatores aparentemente simples que repercutem diretamente no desempenho biomecânico destas restaurações.

Excelente integração adesiva e propriedades mecânicas são essenciais para o desempenho clínico ideal das restaurações diretas em dentes posteriores. Algumas condições de temperatura e umidade intraoral podem alterar o comportamento biomecânico dos materiais e do complexo restaurador. Desta forma a negligência de isolamento adequado do campo operatório parece ser condições clínicas que compromete diversos aspectos de restaurações adesivas em dentes posteriores. A contração de polimerização

pode ser responsável pela sensibilidade pós-operatória e outras complicações (Versluis *et al.*, 2011), tais como microtrincas e infiltração marginal. Assim o aumento da contração pós-gel, da deformação de cúspide e das tensões geradas frente ao aumento da umidade e temperatura torna-se prejudicial ao procedimento clínico e deve ser evitada sempre que possível. Por outro lado utilizar estes parâmetros em experimentos laboratoriais é imperativo para que se aproxime das condições vivenciadas na cavidade oral.

As resinas compostas estão sendo cada vez mais utilizadas nas restaurações de dentes posteriores e muito se especula no sentido de diminuir os efeitos da contração e polimerização. A colocação de um material de base, ou proteção do complexo dentinho-pulpar, com menor módulo elástico prévio à restauração de resina composta diminui a deformação de cúspide em molares classe II MOD. Com o uso de base protetora empregando ionômero de vidro modificado por resina, as cúspides deformam menos tanto no momento da restauração quando o dente é submetido à cargas oclusais normais (100N). Quando o dente é submetido à teste de carga compressiva até o momento da fratura, a presença da base torna-se insignificante, tendo em vista os altos níveis de tensões e deformações que as estruturas estão submetidas. Outro fator importante é a ordem de inserção dos incrementos dentro da cavidade. A literatura recomenda iniciar as restaurações classe II MOD pelas caixas proximais, determinando a modificação desta classe II para uma restauração classe I facilitando a técnica e a escultura da mesma (Deliperi et al., 2012). Biomecanicamente esta ordem de inserção (caixas oclusais ou proximais) não apresenta nenhuma diferença significante em nenhum dos parâmetros avaliados. Neste estudo, a técnica de preenchimento não influenciou a deformação de cúspide em nenhum dos momentos, nem a resistência à fratura e padrão de fratura dos molares. Ao avaliar a adaptação de margens de restaurações em resina composta utilizando base de cimento ionômero de vidro modificado por resina ou alternando a ordem de inserção dos incrementos também não foi observada nenhuma diferença significativa. No entanto, notase que a margem mais crítica de uma restauração classe II é a margem gengival, sendo foco de falhas, fendas e infiltrações, independente da técnica utilizada. As propriedades dos materiais utilizados, resina composta e ionômero de vidro também não são afetadas pela técnica utilizada, o que determina a

obtenção destas propriedades é a adequada polimerização garantida pela inserção incremental (Bicalho *et al.*, 2014 a, Bicalho *et al.*, 2014b). A contração de polimerização dos compósitos gera tensões residuais que são transferidas para as estruturas dentais podendo causar falha no processo reabilitador e sensibilidade pós-operatória. Modelos de elementos finitos 3D mesmo que simplificados podem trazer importantes respostas sempre que correlacionados com dados experimentais. A presença de ionômero de vidro como material de base em restauração de resina composta classe II diminui de forma considerável as tensões de contração na parede pulpar do preparo cavitário. Isto permite inferir que menor sensibilidade pós-operatória ocorrerá em cavidades profundas. A ordem de inserção dos incrementos mostra pouca diferença na distribuição de tensões de contração, assim a inserção pelas proximais parece mais pertinente, pois tem a vantagem de facilitação da técnica e da escultura.

O uso de metodologias não destrutivas associadas a métodos computacionais como o método de elementos finitos associados a ensaios destrutivos colaboram de forma substancial para a compreensão dos problemas biomecânicos de dentes restaurados com compósitos. Contudo, os ensaios *in vitro* possuem limitações inerentes e insuperáveis que requerem de forma definitiva o delineamento de estudos clínicos prospectivos que avaliem estes parâmetros. Mas devido ao processo contínuo e progressivo de geração e transmissão do conhecimento com evidência científica este trabalho ressalta que o clínico deve estar atento as constantes inovações propostas pelas indústrias de materiais odontológicos e os pesquisadores abertos a buscar investigar parâmetros clínicos que pouco são suportados por evidências científicas.

# Conclusões

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# 5- CONCLUSÕES

Dentro das limitações deste estudo que envolveu 4 estudos laboratoriais e computacionais e um relato de caso clínico pode-se concluir-se que:

- ✓ Materiais com maiores valores de módulo elástico causam maiores tensões de contração.
- ✓ Contatos oclusais aumentam os níveis de tensões em dentes restaurados mesmo quando utilizados resinas composta de baixos valores de contração de polimerização.
- ✓ Contato oclusal localizado na margem da restauração de resina composta posterior aumentam as tensões geradas na interface.
- ✓ Contatos oclusais estáveis no centro da restauração resultaram em melhor distribuição de tensões.
- ✓ As condições do ambiente afetam significativamente a contração pósgel, módulo de elasticidade, deformação de cúspide, resistência adesiva e tensões de contração em dentes restaurados com resinas compostas.
- ✓ A simulação da temperatura e umidade do ambiente bucal deve ser realizada nos testes de laboratório para avaliar a contração de polimerização, deformação de cúspide e tensões de contração.
- ✓ A ordem de preenchimento dos incrementos de resina composta não influenciou na deformação de cúspide, resistência à fratura, modo de fratura, adaptação marginal e tensões geradas de molares restaurados com resina composta.
- ✓ A deformação de cúspide e as tensões de contração diminuíram com a presença de lonômero de vidro modificado por resina usado como material de base em restaurações de resinas em dentes posteriores.
- ✓ A resistência à fratura e modo de fratura não foram influenciados pela presença de material de base em molares restaurados com resina composta.
- ✓ A margem restauradora com maior desadaptação em molares classe II
   MOD é a margem gengival.

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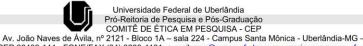
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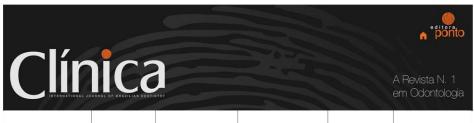
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