Why demography urges us to change the restorative concept in pediatric dentistry?

Newborn children will live almost hundred years in many countries and they will like to keep their own natural dentition for a lifetime. The challenge of modern dentistry is to cope with this expectation. The lecture will focus on a concept which aims to avoid tooth extractions during the entire life of the patient and within which laser-assisted pediatric dentistry plays a key role.

Biography

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