Teeth whitening: A minimally invasive technique?

Ever since the ancient times, mankind has been questing after beauty through the perfection of every detail. Nowadays esthetics through minimally invasive techniques is the aim of every patient and practitioner. Whitening, one of these MITs, is widely used in and out dental clinics, with and without medical surveillance. In this lecture, all side effects, risks and limitations of external and internal whitening on different levels are exposed and detailed: Gastric and respiratory mucosa, temporomandibular joint, soft and hard tissues, oral hydration, dental restorations and dental hypersensitivity. Finally, recommendations concerning preventive and curative treatments and possible limitations to whitening techniques are presented in order to keep this procedure a safe and minimally invasive technique.

Biography

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