The technological advances in endodontics and its consequences for endodontists and fundamentally for their patients

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For a long time, the endodontics was stagnant and without great prospects, it was a specialty seen as tiring for the professional and somewhat uncomfortable and even frightening for patients. All this began to change with the advent of NITI systems (Reciprocating and Rotary), with them, the root canal instrumentation became faster and stimulated the emergence of new root canals obturations techniques. These changes brought about a gain of time, a standardization of results. The advances were not limited to the root canal instrumentation and the obturation, they also brought benefits in the treatment of dental perforations, endodontic surgeries and apical plugs with MTA. There were also advances in magnification with the lenses and especially with the microscope that allow the placement of channels, the visualization of separate instruments and perforations. Facilitating the treatment of each of these situations with the aid of ultrasonic tips of the last generation. And finally the appearance of the cone beam tomography that brought endodontics the possibility of seeing beyond the radiographic image. Because of all this, a better working condition for the endodontist, who ceased to be a sculptor and works with effective tools that did not require so much time of training and psychomotor improvement and the patients have access to faster and better-performing treatments with more comfort.

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