

Editorial

Clinicians often face difficult treatment decision dilemmas in complex situations because of lack of evidence from good clinical research. One role of a professional society, such as the Scandinavian Society for Prosthetic Dentistry (SSPD), is to assist the clinicians by identifying what has been written about particular clinical situations, advise how the available evidence should be interpreted and suggest recommendations by consensus.

A goal of this SSPD consensus workshop was to assist dentists to make treatment decisions in clinical situation that involve implant dentistry and where the scientific evidence was not rigorous. The organizing committee identified a range of clinical questions within the main topic Implants and/or teeth, and selected eight main themes. Scandinavian investigators were invited to author topical reviews using a systematic format approach, to form the basis for discussion in four groups consisting of content experts.

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