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# Good Morning



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# Emoticon

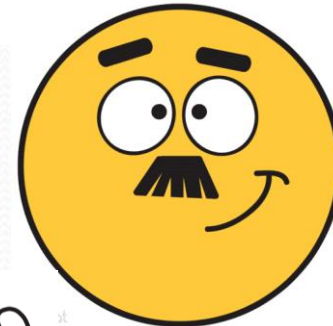
- An emoticon, short for "emotion icon", is a representation of a facial expression using characters—usually punctuation marks, numbers, and letters—to express a person's feelings or mood, or as a time-saving method *eg.*
- ☺ :D ☹ ...etc
- Then cell phones became more powerful and could afford to use real pictures ... now we do use **Emoji's** instead



This is not an Emoticon  
It's an Emoji



# All Emoji's belong to one simple stem Emoji



Just do some changes and modifications according to the required function and you'll get a specialized emoji that does the job.

- In the field of cell biology, a type of undifferentiated cells is recognized in all living things waiting for a trigger of cellular changes to turn into cells of definite function.

*e.g. Ameloblasts,  
Odontoclasts,  
Osteoblasts...etc*



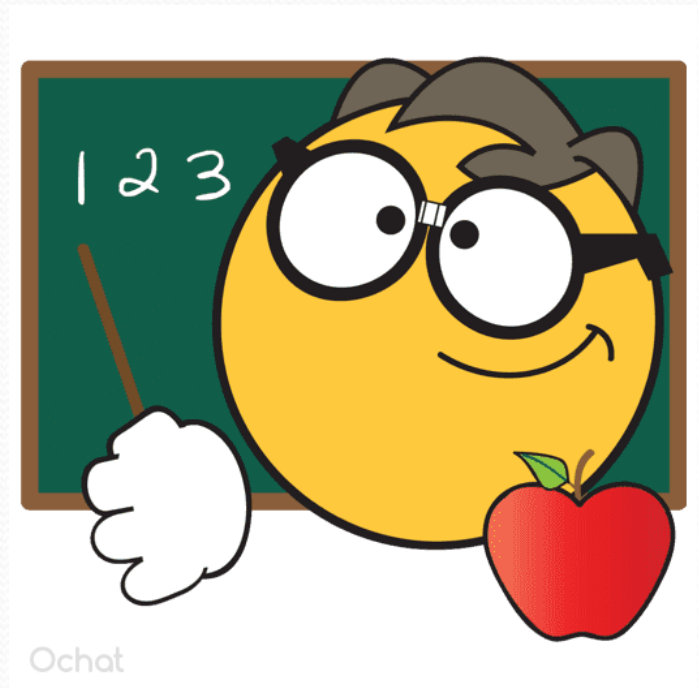
In our field, these stem cells are there waiting for signals from growing permanent teeth to turn into odontoclasts to start the process of physiologic shedding



# Today we'll study two close topics to each other as Emoticons and Emoji's ....



Apexogenesis and Apexification



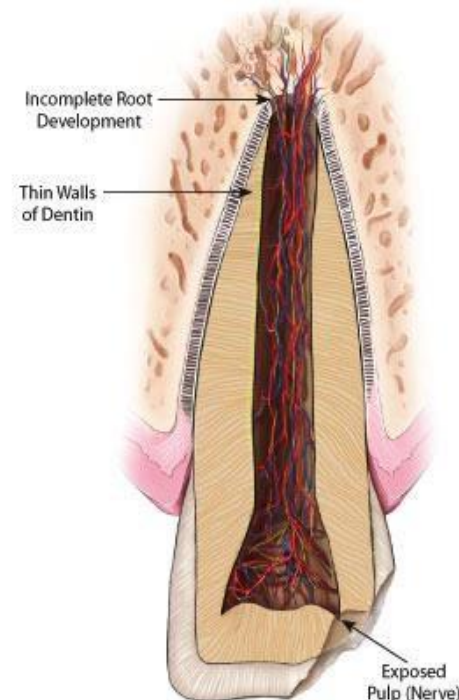
# Apexogenesis, Apexification and Regenerative endodontics

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Trauma to the permanent dentition is common especially in children aged 8 to 10 years old that are prior to the completion of root formation.



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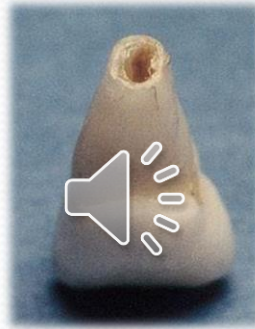




# Young Permanent Teeth Complicated Crown Fracture with pulp involvement

Do you  
remember  
Andreasean's  
classification?

## Vital



## Non-vital

Direct Pulp Capping  
Partial Pulpotomy (MTA)  
Cvek Pulpotomy (old CaOH  
pulpotomy)  
(Apexogenesis)

Apexification /  
Regenerative  
endodontics

# Apexogenesis

- What is it?
  - Procedure involves the removal of contaminated pulp tissue with a clean round high speed diamond bur, using saline or water irrigation.
  - A non-setting CaOH cement/MTA dressing is placed directly onto uncontaminated vital tissue.
- Indication?
  - Vital young permanent anterior tooth with open apex / incomplete root formation

# Objectives of Apexogenesis

- Why to do it?
  - To preserve vital, non-inflamed pulp tissue, biologically walled off by a hard tissue barrier



## Rationale

Vital pulp tissue covered with CaOH/ MTA is possible to form a dentine bridge over the defect this is much preferable to preserve tooth vitality rather than commence RCT



Undifferentiated cells turn into dentin building cells.

# How to do it?

- Local anaesthesia
- Rubber dam placement and isolation of tooth is mandatory
- Pulp is washed with saline until haemorrhage stops
- Any clot should be gently washed away



# How to do it?...cont

- Non-setting CaOH / MTA is placed over the pulp and is then covered with a setting CaOH.
- GIC base is placed over the dressings and the tooth is restored with composite resin.
- The technique may be performed at any level of the root canal- benefits in preserving the vitality of traumatized incisors.





Complicated fracture of an immature incisor with microbial invasion of the coronal pulp. Pulp has been exposed for more than 24 hours



- Traumatic exposure of upper permanent central incisor
- Pulp exposure

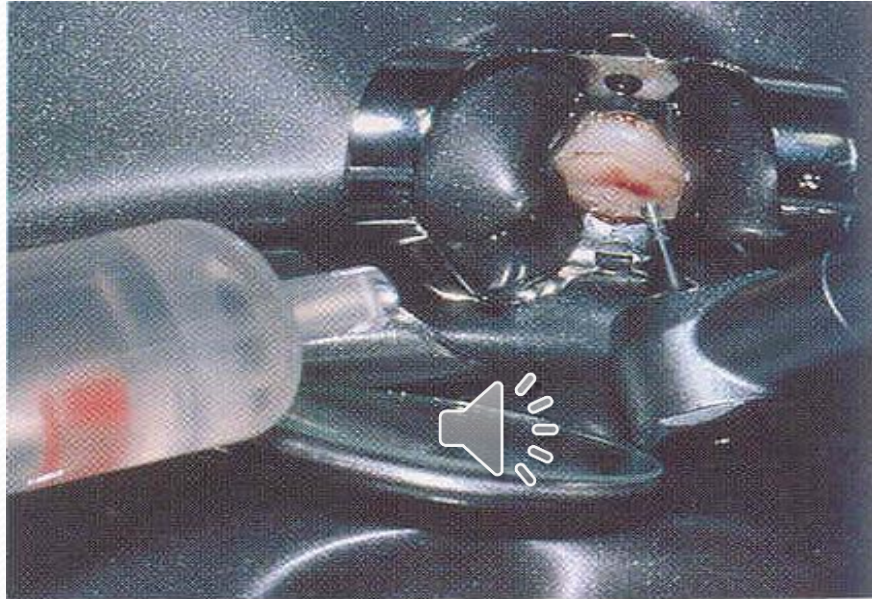




Access to the coronal pulp and amputation of coronal pulp tissue with a diamond bur running at high speed with constant water cooling







- Access to pulp chamber using high speed diamond bur  
with saline

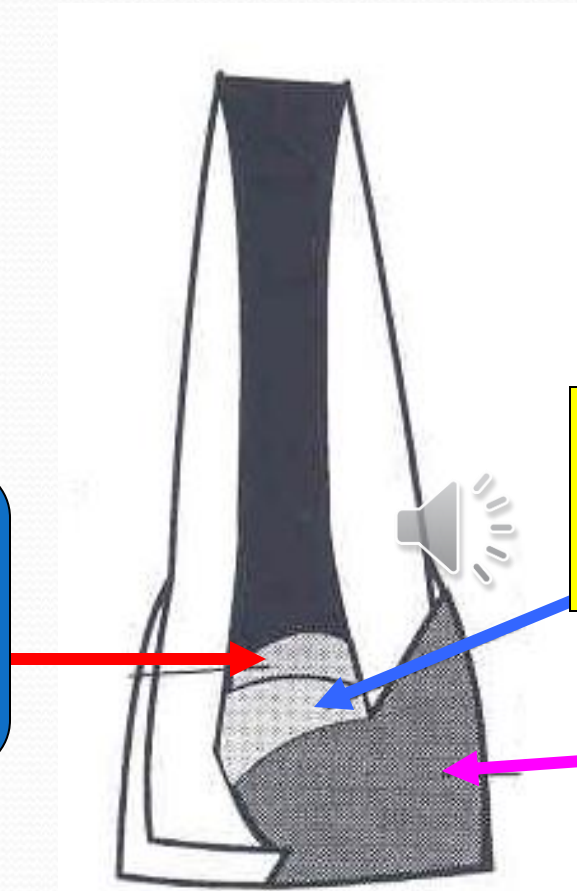




- Removal of 2 mm of pulpal tissue to a level of vital uncontaminated tissue
- Placement of non-setting CaOH dressing over vital pulp tissue

# Dressing the pulpal wound to promote calcific repair

Non-setting  
CaOH



Hard setting cement

Composite resin



The tooth at  
review



Root formation  
complete

Calcific barrier  
formation

# Review

- 3-6 monthly with pulp vitality tests
- Radiographs at review to check for hard tissue barrier formation and continued root development
- Prognosis
  - Success rate: 80-90%





# Apexification

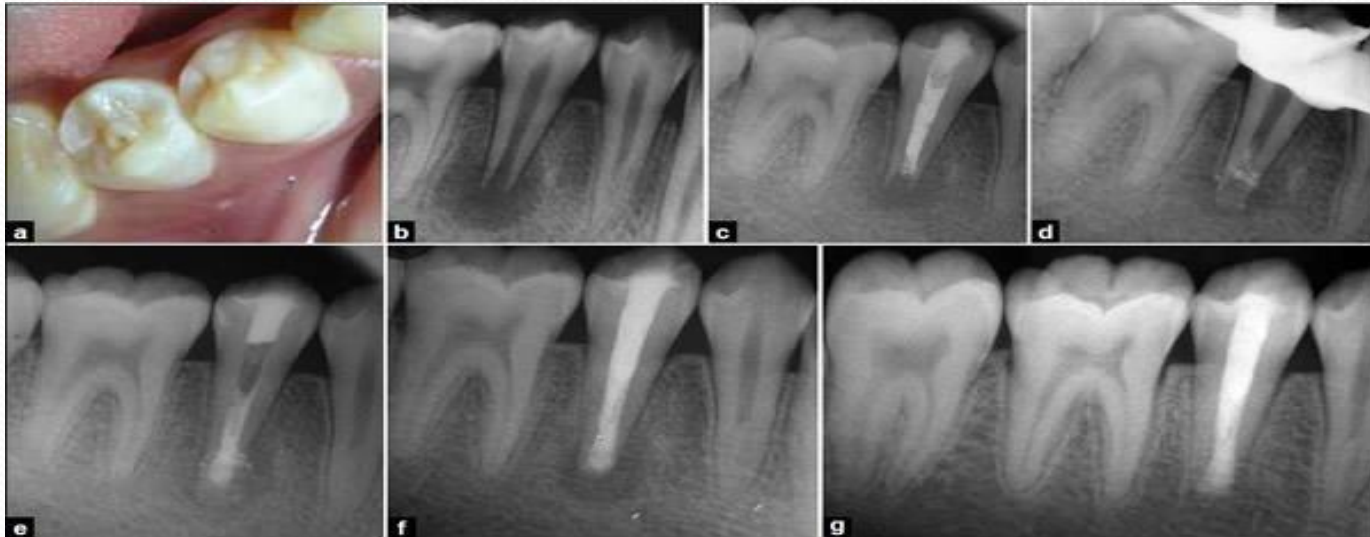
- What is it?
  - Procedure using CaOH to create an apical hard tissue barrier against which the root canal filling can be placed
- Indication?
  - Non-vital young permanent anterior tooth with open apex / incomplete root formation
- Why do it?
  - Apical barrier is formed allowing for RCT if needed
  - Maintain tooth in arch – aesthetic, function





# Problems in Apexification

- Long term survival of tooth treated by this method is low
- Tooth has thin cervical dentine, shortened root, easily fracture



# Regenerative endodontics

Diagnostic criteria:

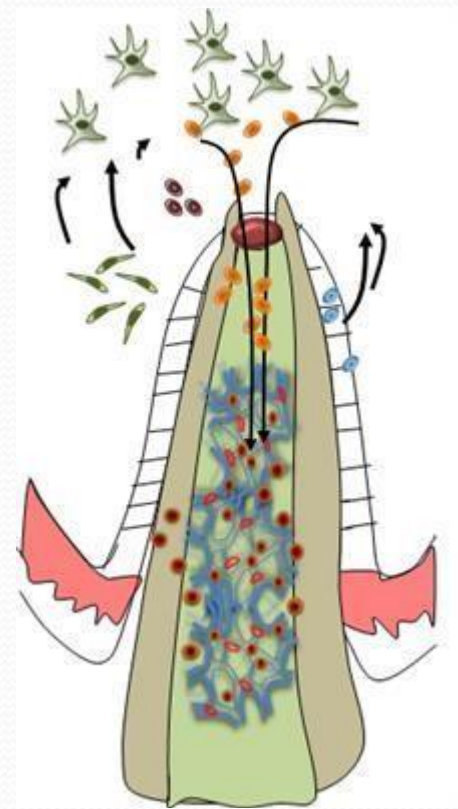
1. Necrotic young permanent tooth with open apex / incomplete root formation
2. Negative to pulp vitality testing.





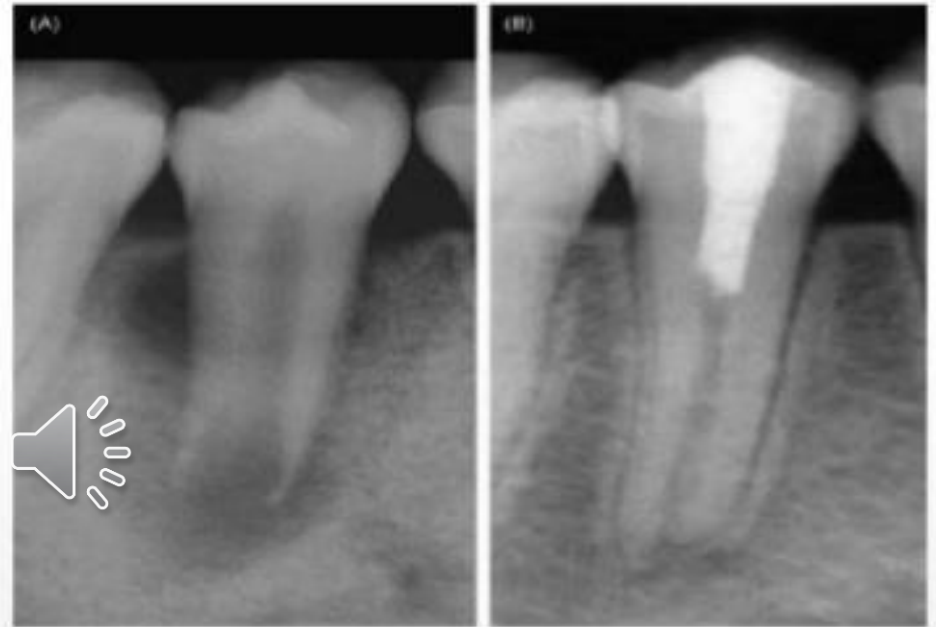
# Regenerative endodontics

Necrotic permanent first molars  
protocol include 2.5% NaOCl irrigation,  $\text{Ca(OH)}_2$  medication in the coronal third of the root canals for 3 weeks, induction of apical bleeding, coronal sealing with white MTA. Radiographs taken after 9 to 10 months..... (Cehreli et.al 2011)





Unlike  
apexification,  
Regenerative  
endodontics may  
lead to complete  
root growth



Please refer to case report presented last lecture where  
regenerative endo resulted in dystrophic calcification

Undifferentiated cells + scaffold + signaling molecules

# Necrotic immature teeth

- NaOCl irrigation and treatment with triple antibiotic paste
- After 1 month bleeding was evoked and sample collected with paper points.
- Molecular analyses of blood collected indicated stem cell marker CD 73 and CD 105 up by 600-fold compared with systemic blood.
- These cells contribute to the regeneration of pulp tissues and root development

*Lovelace 2011*





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Thank you