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**Program Speaker – Nicola Zitzmann**

**Title**

Anterior Tooth Loss

**Abstract**

Anterior tooth loss is mainly related to trauma or its consequences, and cannot always be managed with implant reconstructions. While implant contraindications are rare, limitations are given due to young age and the risk of infra position especially in patients with hyperdivergent growth pattern, existing bisphosphate therapy or other patient factors. This lecture will focus on conventional tooth-supported fixed dental prostheses with special attention to tooth preservation up to the limit of reconstructive dentistry. Ideal pontic design and soft tissue management in the pontic area are also addressed.

**Biography**

Nicola Zitzmann is Professor and Chair of the Department of Reconstructive Dentistry at the University of Basel, Switzerland.

From 1994 to 1997, she received her postgraduate training at the Department of Fixed and Removable Prosthodontics and Dental Material Sciences in Zurich, Switzerland (Prof. P. Schärer). From 1997, N. Zitzmann worked as Assistant Professor at the Department of Fixed and Removable Prosthodontics and TMJ Disorders at the University of Basel (Switzerland) and completed her habilitation thesis (equivalent to Ph.D.) entitled “Prosthodontic treatment of the edentulous patient with particular consideration given to implant-supported restorations” in 2004. Nicola Zitzmann has been a Visiting Assistant at the Department of Periodontology at the University of Göteborg, Sweden (Proffs. J. Lindhe and T. Berglundh), and achieved her Ph.D. degree in the field of Periodontology in 2006. She is past-president of the International College of Prosthodontics, chairs the ITI section Switzerland, and is board member of the Swiss Society of Oral Implantology (SGI) and the Swiss Society of Reconstructive Dentistry (SSRD). N. Zitzmann is an associate editor of Clinical Oral Implants Research and authored more than 150 original publications, 80 papers and book chapters. She received the Jan Lindhe Research Award in 2014 for her scientific achievements in implant dentistry.