



# Minimal appointments from full arch implant placement to definitive prostheses

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## Introduction

Studies have showed that 60% of the patients who use complete dentures are having at least one problem with their prosthesis such as lack of stability, retention or comfort. [1]

## Case Description

This poster case series presentation describes a comprehensive approach that enables the clinician to place dental implants, fabricate a provisional prosthesis and a definitive metal-acrylic implant supported fixed complete dental prosthesis in a minimal number of appointments (2-4). [2]

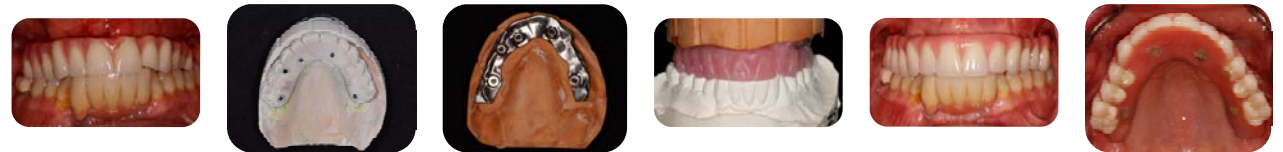
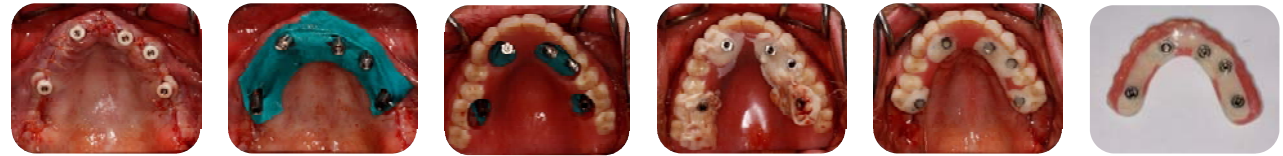
After the immediate loading of the implants with a provisional fixed complete denture at the time of implant placement, two techniques are presented to record the relative positions of the implants, soft tissues, occlusal vertical dimension, maxillomandibular relationship, and tooth position by using the information provided by the provisional fixed denture.

The lab steps followed are described to finally, fabricated and insert the definitive prosthesis.

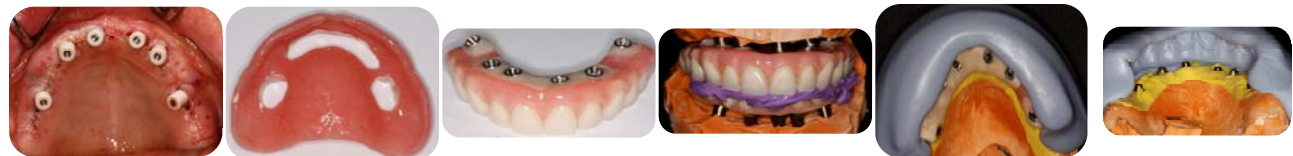
## Conclusions

The techniques described, simplify the procedures, reduce chair time for both the patient and the clinician, and could ultimately reduce the cost of implant treatment and potentially increase treatment acceptance.

## Case 1



## Case 2



## References

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