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• Dr. Michael Azer presents his Young Implantologists' session 'Managing Pink Esthetics in Patients with Compromised Periodontium' on Thursday at the ICOI World Congress XXXVI in Las Vegas. (Photo/Humberto Estrada, *today* Staff)

By Sierra Rendon, *today* Staff

■ “Future Treatment Concepts” is not just a part of the theme of this year’s ICOI World Congress XXXVI in cooperation with the FDI, it’s also one of the leading concepts behind every facet of this compelling annual event.

From educational sessions to networking events to all the new technology in the exhibit hall, the future of implant treatment will surely be affected by all of the new skills and information you glean from this week’s program in Las Vegas.

Additionally, you’ll want to be sure

to visit the sponsors and exhibitors in the exhibit hall, which are featuring a slew of products and technology to help make your practice run smoother and more efficiently.

Here is a sampling of products and companies you’ll want to look for in the exhibit hall:

- *Optimizing implant placement:* ClaroNav’s breakthrough in computer-aided implantology – Navident – offers dental surgeons an easy-to-use, accurate, highly portable and affordable way to plan the desired restoration and implant placement on a virtual patient. If you are inter-

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Brush or floss first? Study suggests ideal sequence for removing plaque

By The American Academy
of Periodontology Staff

■ Researchers have found that flossing before brushing may be the ideal sequence for the most thorough removal of dental plaque. The report is featured in the Journal of Periodontology (JOP).

Titled "The Effect of Toothbrushing and Flossing Sequence on Interdental Plaque Reduction and Fluoride Retention: A Randomized Controlled Clinical Trial," the study assessed 25 participants who were asked to brush

their teeth first, then use dental floss to clean the spaces between their teeth (brush-floss).

In a second phase, the same group was asked to use floss, then brush their teeth (floss-brush).

Researchers found that the amount of plaque between the teeth and in the mouth overall was significantly reduced when participants used the floss-brush approach.

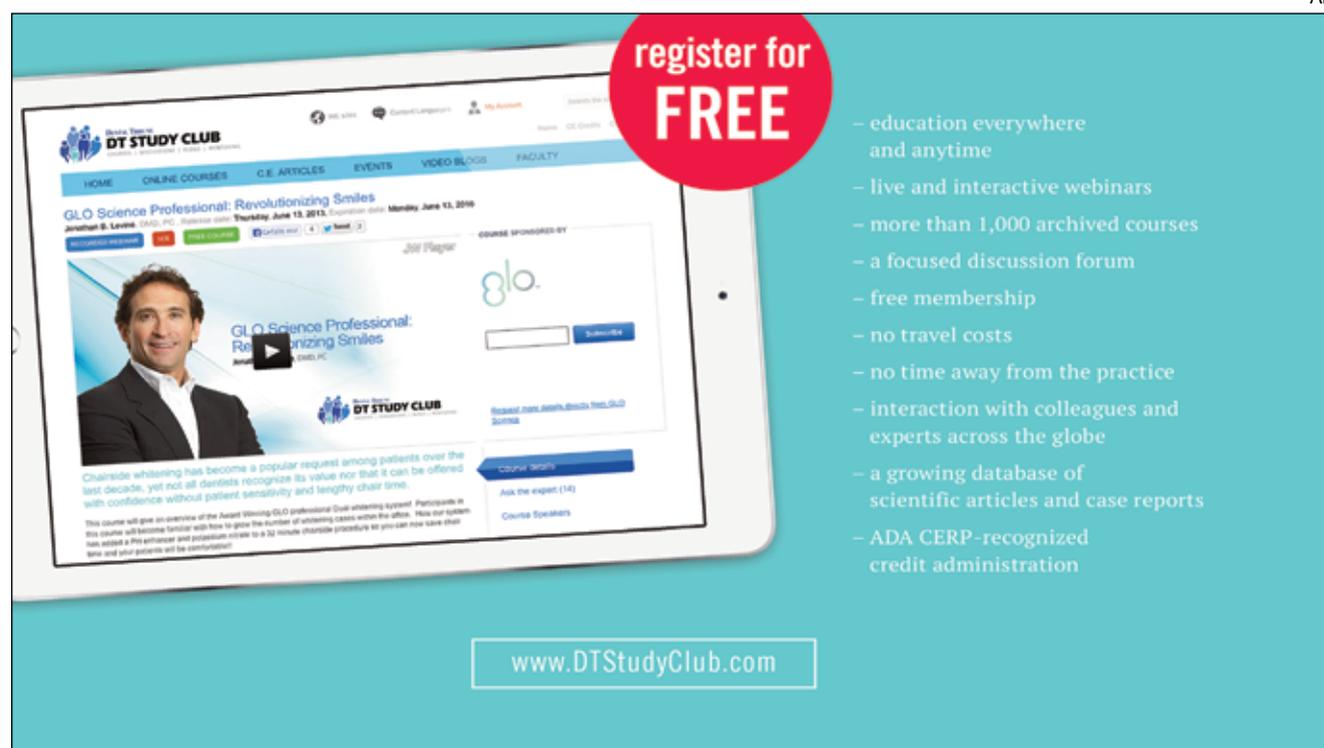
The researchers contend that as flossing loosens bacteria and debris from between the teeth, brushing afterward (when the mouth is rinsed

with water) further clears the mouth of these particles.

Plaque bacteria are the primary culprit behind the development of periodontal disease, an inflammatory condition that occurs when bacteria accumulate below the gum line. Periodontal disease can lead to swelling, irritation, gum recession and tooth loss if left untreated.

The study also found that fluoride, a mineral that aids in the prevention of cavities and tooth decay, remained in the mouth at higher levels when participants flossed before brushing.

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• Learn about new nitrous oxide delivery options at the Porter Instrument booth, No. 404.



• Pop by BioHorizons at booth Nos. 307/309 to see the company's newest products and technology.

• To check out the Dr. Choukroun Soft Brushing Kit and other products and show specials, visit Dental Implant Technologies at booth Nos. 503/505.



• Visit Glidewell Dental at booth Nos. 400/402 and inquire about show specials on the Hahn Tapered Implant System, available here in Las Vegas.

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By Novadontics Staff

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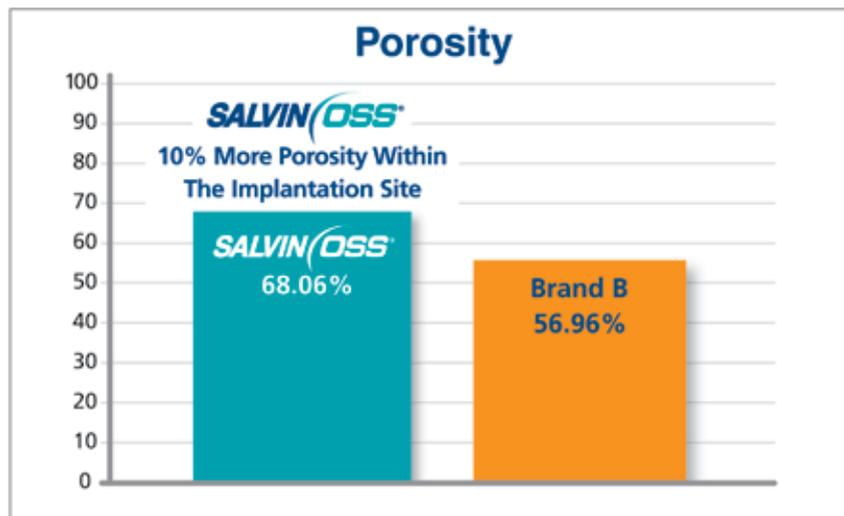
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