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**There's still time to
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Tooth resorption has

News Items

**Join Dental Practitioners and
Researchers in a Practice-Based
Research Interactive Symposium**



The National Dental PBRN will host its annual symposium on practice-based research at the American Association for Dental Research/Canadian Association for Dental Research (AADR/CADR) Annual Meeting & Exhibition in Los Angeles on Friday, March 18, from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. The workshop brings together dental practitioners and clinical researchers to discuss new research and topics affecting clinical practice.

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Member Forum

Join the Xerostomia Member Forum

been thought to be a fairly uncommon process by which normal tissue cells are activated to begin osteoclastic activity. Individual teeth can be lost or compromised as a result.

What has been your experience regarding resorption in your patients? Please complete this poll on dental resorption by February 8!

**Recently moved?
New contact
information?**

Exciting things are happening in The Network. Stay updated and in the know by emailing your Regional Coordinator your updated information.

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Discussion February 8-12!



Identifying and treating the underlying causes of xerostomia or dry mouth are essential to providing optimal oral health care. What are the most common ways to treat dry mouth? Next week, authors of this month's Quick Poll results will moderate a weeklong discussion on the Member Forum dedicated to the topic. Join the conversation February 8-12 to discuss challenges, best practices, treatment options, and more

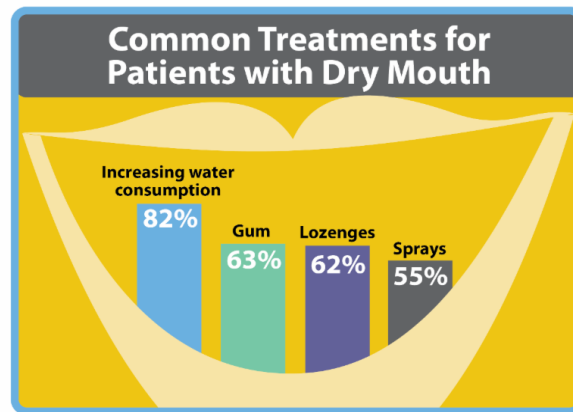
First time joining a conversation on the Forum? Take a look at our [step by step instructions](#).

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Quick Poll Results

Quick Poll Results: How Often-and How-Do You Treat Dry Mouth?

Dry mouth, or xerostomia, is a multifactorial oral condition characterized by loss of salivary function.



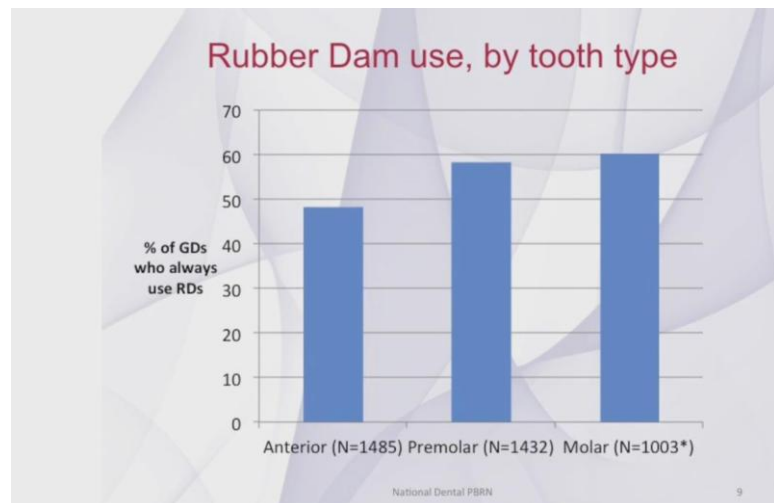
Most dentists (98 percent) attribute medication use as a common cause for dry mouth, according to the 327 respondents of the November 2015 Quick Poll. However, 71-74 percent of respondents attributed autoimmune disorders and radiation therapy to be important causes as well.

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Study Results

Video: Results from Network Study: Isolation Techniques Used During Root Canal Treatment

In the latest installment on the Network's YouTube channel, Drs. Nate Lawson and Barry Goodspeed present results from the Network study on isolation methods used during root canal treatment. Objectives of the study were to quantify the use of isolation techniques during root canal treatment and test the hypothesis that certain dental and clinical characteristics are associated with use.



Watch the video to learn more about the results. [Read more...](#)

Member of the Month

Northeast Region Practitioner Core Advisory Group

As one of the new regions in the National Dental PBRN, the Northeast has benefited enormously from its Practitioner Advisory Committee, called the Northeast Region PCAG (Practitioner Core Advisory Group). [Read more...](#)



Article of Interest

Repairing Restorations Gets Good Results

Repairing, rather than replacing, a defective restoration is not a widely accepted practice, but a new study shows that repaired restorations hold up about as well as replaced ones, while saving the tooth's structure and causing less stress to the pulp of the tooth. Other studies have shown that replacing restorations results in a significant loss of healthy tooth structure.

In a study published in the December 2015 Journal of the American Dental Association, 195 dentists treated 5,889 failed restorations, repairing 25 percent (1,498) and replacing 75 percent (4,391). Replacement was defined as removing the entire defective or failed restoration and any adjacent problematic areas. (The study didn't include restorations that were incorporated into a larger restoration.) [Read more...](#)