

## **Comparative evaluation of modern innovative technologies applied in periodontal practice**

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### **Introduction**

Periodontology is a constantly developing and advancing field of dentistry. Dentists are always on the lookout for new and emerging technologies to provide better diagnosis and world-class periodontal treatment. Advancements in dental technologies offer modern solutions to periodontal problems. Thus studying modern technologies in periodontal practice is the topical problem in the contemporary dentistry.

### **Aim**

The aim of the research is to make comparative evaluation of modern innovative technologies applied in periodontal practice.

### **Materials and methods**

The study was carried out in the form of a survey among 100 dentists who have completed the questionnaire on the new technologies applied in their periodontal practice. The questionnaire comprised questions on newly emerging diagnostic and treatment approaches, namely: non-surgical treatment, regenerative procedures and laser treatment. The obtained results were documented in special charts.

### **Results**

The results revealed that all periodontologists apply different types of modern technologies. Radiographic diagnostic technologies include digital X-rays (95%) and cone beam computed tomography (54%). Microscope is applied more seldom (8%) than magnifying dental loupes (37%). Intraoral cameras are used by 26% of periodontologists. Nonsurgical laser periodontal therapy (65%) is gaining more importance than the surgical treatment. All periodontologists use different types of periodontal probes as well as electronic probing systems. Physiotherapeutic procedures are prescribed by 89% of periodontologists.

### **Conclusion**

Based on the results of this survey, we have identified modern technologies applied in periodontal practice. The most widespread innovations are digital X-rays, cone beam computed tomography, magnifying dental loupes, microscope, intraoral cameras, lasers, electronic periodontal probes and physiotherapeutic procedures.