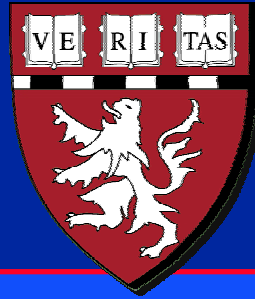


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**DENTAL TISSUE REPLACEMENT  
AND REGENERATION**

**M. Spector, Ph.D. and I.V. Yannas, Ph.D.**

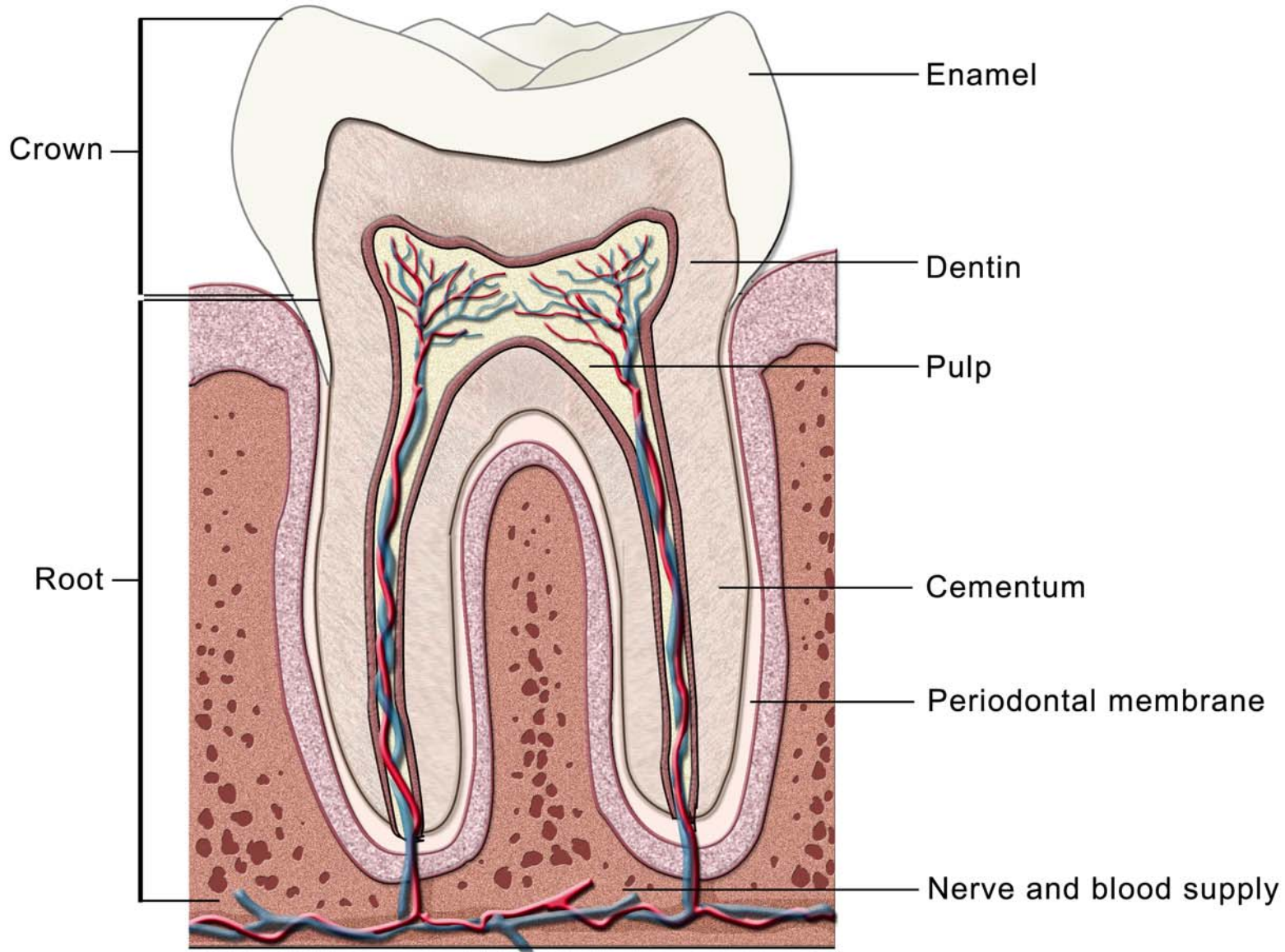


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# Dental Implant Designs and Materials

Sapphire

Alumina

Titanium

Carbon

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Carbon

Alumina

Alumina

# Blade Implant

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**“Commercially pure”  
Titanium**

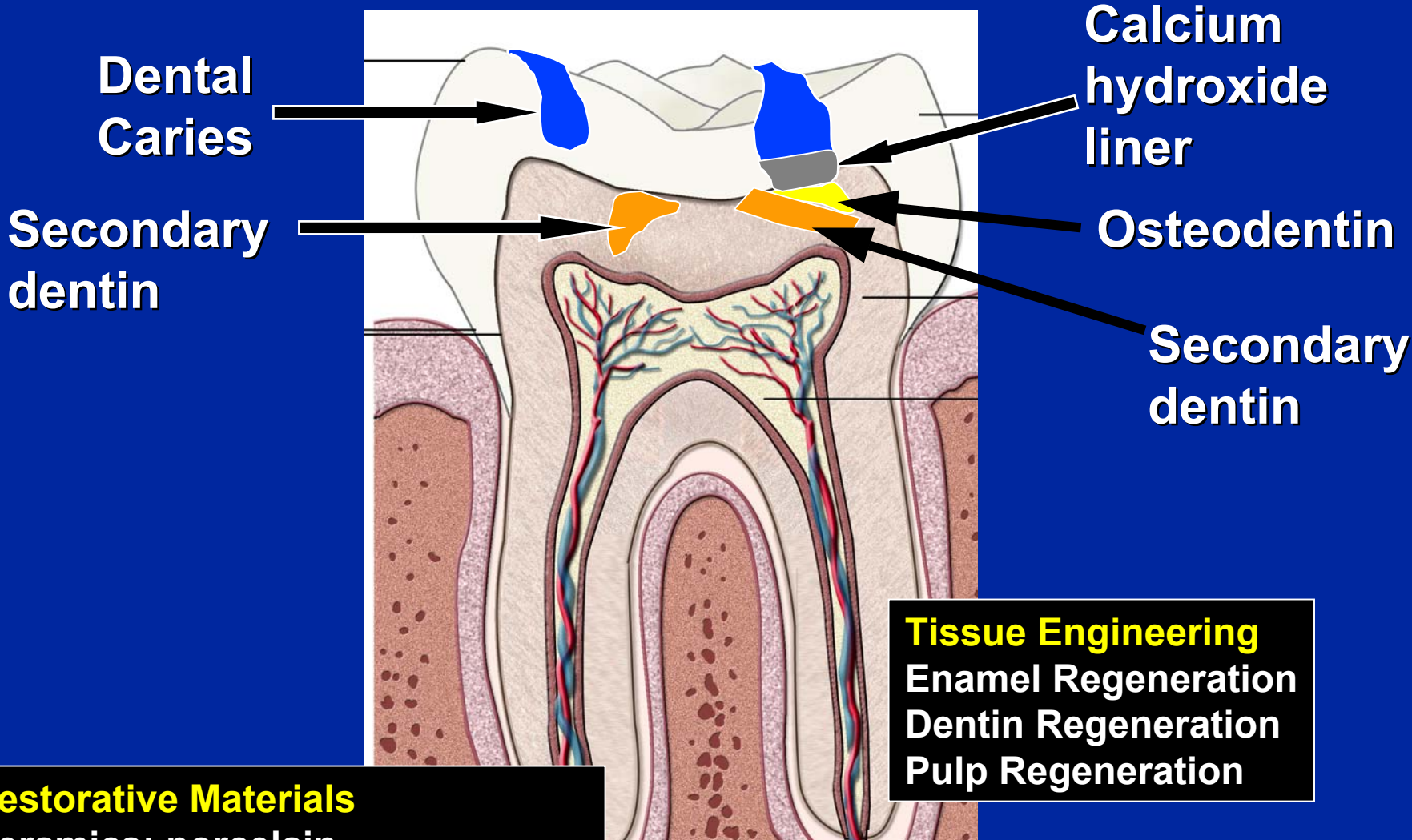
**Two-Stage Design;  
to shield the artificial  
root from loading  
during the initial  
stage of healing**

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# **Dental Implant Designs and Materials**

## **Hydroxyapatite- Coated Implants**

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**Restorative Materials**  
 Ceramics: porcelain  
 Metals: amalgam, Implants  
 Polymer: composite, gutta percha

**Tissue Engineering**  
 Enamel Regeneration  
 Dentin Regeneration  
 Pulp Regeneration

# ELEMENTS FOR TISSUE REGENERATION/ENGINEERING

**CELLS**

Autologous, Adult  
(pulp and bone marrow  
stromal stem cell)

**MATRIX**

Collagen-GAG

**CYTOKINES**

Regulation of phenotype  
Matrix biosynthesis



# Tissue Engineering of Complex Tooth Structures on Biodegradable Polymer Scaffolds

- Cells dissociated from porcine third molar tooth buds.
- Cells seeded onto PLA fiber mesh and implanted in rats for 20 to 30 wks.
- Resulting tooth structures contained dentin (odontoblasts), a well-defined pulp chamber, putative cementoblasts, and a morphologically correct enamel.
- Results suggest the presence of epithelial and mesenchymal dental stem cells in porcine third molar tissues.

# **Growth of Porcine Enamel-, Dentin-, and Cementum-Derived Cells in Collagen-GAG Matrices *In Vitro***

## **Unerupted Porcine Premolars and Molars**

- **Lower mandibles from 6-month old pigs.**
- **In aseptic environment, mandibles were split in half, soft tissue removed, and overlying bone from lingual side chiseled away.**
- **Exposed teeth were excised and gingiva removed.**

# MATERIALS AND METHODS

## Cell Isolation

**Dentin** - from developing cusp tips. Mineralized enamel removed and pulp cut away.

**Enamel** - Mineralized enamel removed from cusp tips and chiseled into small pieces.

**Cementum** - from erupted 2nd molars and unerupted premolars. Chiseled away from tooth and into smaller pieces. Pulp removed with sterile gauze.

**Pulp** - from base of teeth and cut into small pieces with scalpel.

# **MATERIALS AND METHODS**

## **Methods of Cell Culture**

- **Cell Isolation from Digested Tissue**
  - Tissue digested for 12 hours in collagenase.
  - Suspension filtered, and cells plated into tissue culture dishes.
- **Explants/Cell Outgrowth**
  - Small pieces of tissue plated onto tissue culture dishes.

# COLLAGEN-GAG MATRICES

- **Type I (bovine tendon)**
- **Type II (porcine)**
- **Chondroitin 6-sulfate**

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**1mm**

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- **Freeze-dried**
- **Dehydrothermally cross-linked**

**IV Yannas, *et al.* PNAS, 1989**

**500 $\mu$ m**

# Cell Cultures at Confluence; Digested Tissue

**Ameloblasts**

**Pulp Cells**

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**Cementoblasts**

**Odontoblasts**

# DENTAL TISSUES

## Tissue-Specific Matrix Molecules

- **Enamel**                      Amelogenin
- **Dentin**                      Dentin Matrix Protein-1
- **Cementum**                ?
- **Pulp Cells**                ?

# Amelogenin Immunohistochemistry

**Amelogenin**

**Pre-ameloblasts**

**Negative Control**

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**Dentin**

**Odontoblasts**



# Amelogenin Immunohistochemistry; Passage 1

**Ameloblasts; Digested Tissue**

**Ameloblasts;  
Outgrowth from Explants**

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**Neg. Control**

**Neg. Control**

**1 day**

**Amelogenin  
Immunohistochemistry of  
Ameloblast-Seeded  
Collagen-GAG Matrices**

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**7 days**

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**1 day**

**DMP-1 Immunohistochemistry  
of Odontoblast-Seeded  
Collagen-GAG Matrices**

**7 days**

**28 days**

# SUMMARY

- **Cells can be isolated from digested tissue and grown from explants: enamel, dentin, cementum, and pulp.**
- **Cells display distinctive characteristics.**
- **Ameloblasts expanded in monolayer and grown in collagen-GAG matrices express amelogenin.**
- **Odontoblasts in collagen-GAG matrices express DMP-1**