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One Adhesive for All Clinical Situations

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Since 1955, Buonocore’s acid-etching technique has made bonding to enamel successful. But achieving consistent dentin bonding has been more challenging because of factors like microleakage, resin infiltration and penetration, hydration versus desiccation, and post-operative sensitivity. To mitigate these factors, the evolution of dentin bonding has included a shift from total-etch techniques involving placement of 30-40% phosphoric acid on both enamel and dentin surfaces (i.e., etch-and-rinse) to self-etch techniques in which phosphoric acid esters are contained within the bonding agent and no etchant gel is placed on the preparation.

Recently, a third bonding technique has emerged that allows for hybridization of the remaining dentin smear layer and includes phosphoric etching of exposed enamel to maximize bond strength and prevent marginal discoloration. The selective-etch technique is designed to harness the positive attributes of both techniques for improved clinical outcomes. In several recent studies, selective-etch adhesives were found to have increased enamel bonding while causing no post-operative sensitivity. In a meta-analysis by Heinze and Rouson, it was found that restorations placed with rubber-dam isolation and enamel-etching technique showed the best overall performance.

Prime&Bond Elect™ from DENTSPLY Caulk is designed as a one-bottle dental adhesive suitable for all three adhesive modes: total-etch, self-etch and selective-etch. Built on 13 years of proven PEN'TA (the adhesive resin dipentaerythritol penta acrylate monophosphate) technology from Prime&Bond NT™, this new bonding agent provides a unique micromechanical and chemical bond for long-term success.

It is ideal in cases where the preparation is primarily in enamel (where a total-etch technique is indicated), in preparations in mostly dentin (where a self-etch technique can be used), and for preparation containing significant enamel and dentin (where a selective-etch technique is advised). According to Prime&Bond Elect™ directions-for-use manual, practitioners should not fear negative sequelae, such as decreased dentin bond strengths if unintended phosphoric etchant gel contacts exposed dentin, unlike with other products (e.g., Clearfil SE). Learn more about how DENTSPLY Caulk can help you maximize your adhesive techniques. Call 1-800-LD-CAULK or visit www.PrimeandBondElect.com today.

References