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ISW FOR THE TREATMENT OF ANGLE CLASS I CASE WITH LOWER CONGENITAL MISSING CENTRAL INCISOR

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ABSTRACT

The objective of the case study is for the treatment of Angle Class I with lower central incisor congenital missing case by ISW (Improved Super-elastic Ti-Ni alloy wire, developed by Tokyo Medical and Dental University). A young female (16 years old) came to our clinic with a chief complaint of maxillary protrusion and mild crowding. Clinical examination revealed lower central incisor congenital missing, large overjet, and anterior crowding. In order to relieve crowding and to correct large overjet, extraction of #14 #25(due to large decay) was performed. ISW Active tie back was performed to correct anterior tooth inclination and to reduce large overjet. Inter-maxillary elastics (IME) were also used for inter-digitation during the treatment.

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INTRODUCTION

Exact etiology of congenital missing of mandibular central incisors remains unknown nowadays. Although several factors such as trauma, radiation, infection and metabolic disorders could be considered, Endo et al. (2007) have found that before planning orthodontic treatment on a patient with congenital missing incisors, some factors like reduced mandibular alveolar bone area should be considered (Endo et al., 2007; Newman, 1967). Some orthodontists (Kokich, 1984; Canut, 1996) even believed that congenital absence of both mandibular central incisors is advantageous, as the extraction of mandibular central incisors is considered as the treatment of choice in crowded Class I malocclusion, especially when there is toothsize discrepancy (Kokich, 1984; Nagaveni, 2009; Grob, 1995; Curiel, 2002). There are four main theories emphasized by some orthodontist mainly for the cause of congenital missing of incisors (Newman, 1967). Primary cause is the heredity or familial distribution. The second theory stated that anomalies in the development of the mandibular symphysis may affect the dental tissues forming the tooth buds of the lower incisors (Newman, 197). Third, a reduction in the dentition regarded as nature's attempt to fit the shortened dental arches (an expression of the evolutionary trend)

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(Lavelle, 1973) and finally, localized inflammation or infections in the jaw and disturbance of the endocrine system destroying the tooth buds (Newman, 1998). The clinical manifestations of congenital missing of mandibular incisors include the orthodontic speculation of Bolton ration before active treatment and therefore congenital missing of mandibular incisors can lead to compromised dental and facial aesthetics and therefore requires appropriate treatment.

History and Diagnosis: An adult 16-year-old female came to our clinic with a chief complaint of maxillary protrusion and mild crowding. Herlateral profile was straight with mandible slightly shifted to the left side(Fig1).Clinical examination revealed bilateral Class Imolar relationship, labially-tipped upper incisors and lingually-tipped lower incisors with large over jet and lower central incisor congenital missing, along with lower anterior teeth crowding.(Fig2). Panoramic film showed #18,#28, #38, #48 existence and upper left second bicuspid residual root and previous root canal treatment received (Fig 3). The radiographic methods of the research include intraoral photos, lateral cephalometric projection and panoramic x-ray films. Also the cephalometric analyses before and after the treatment were presented in this case. The cephalometric analysis showed a skeletal Class I jaw relationships (SNA: 75.3°, SNB: 72.1°, ANB: 3.1°) and dental compensation (U1 to FH plane: 132.9°, L1 to







Figure 1. Facial photos before active treatment



Figure 2. Intraoral photos before active treatment



Figure 3. Panoramic film before active treatment



Figure 4. Lateral cephalometric film before active treatment

Polygon- Before active treatment

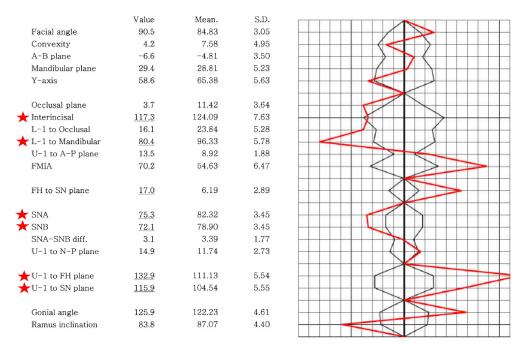


Figure 5. Polygon before active treatment

Mandibular plane: 80.4° Inter-incisal angle: 117.3°). The high angle skeletal pattern can be seen prominently in the polygon (Gonial angle: 125.9°) (Fig 4 and Fig 5).

Therefore, the summary of diagnosis includes:

- Functional (-)
- Skeletal (±): SNA(75.3°), SNB(72.1°), ANB = 3.1°, skeletal Class I
- **Denture (+) :** U1 to FH plane(132.9°), L1 to mandibular plane(80.4°)
- **Dental** (+): #25 residual root, #18 #28 #38 #48 existence and #31 congenital missing

- Discrepancy (+): upper: R't: -3.0 mm/L't: -2.0 mm
- **lower:** R't: -3.0 mm / L't: -6.0 mm

Treatment Objectives: Our treatment objectives were (1) to improve facial profile, (2) to establish appropriate overbite, overjetand arch coordination, (3) to establish indivisualized occlusion. Due to the fact that the patient strongly refused any possibility of orthognathic surgery. Therefore, treatment plan includes:

- Extraction of #14, #25, #38, #48
- Full mouth DBS(Direct-Bonding System)& leveling
- Class II inter-maxillary elastics(IME) used for mandibular response



Figure 6. Period of active treatment: 0 month



Figure 7. Upper space closure



2011.05.02

2011.10.15

2012.03.03

Figure 8. Change in Overjet

Period of active treatment: 0m →

With reverse curve and IME



Figure 9. Lower arch leveling



Figure 10. Period of active treatment: 16 months



Figure 11. Facial photos after active treatment



Figure 12. Intraoral photos after active treatment



Figure 13. Panoramic film after active treatment

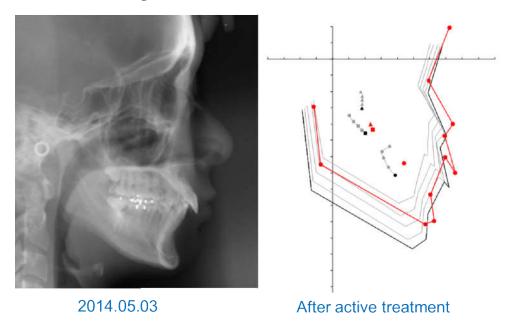


Figure 14. Lateral Cephalometric film after active treatment

before treatment Polygon after treatment After Mean. S.D. Facial angle 90.5 85.6 84.83 3.05 Convexity 4.2 4.7 7.58 4.95 A-B plane -6.6-3.2 -4.813.50 Mandibular plane 29.4 29.7 28.81 5.23 Y-axis 58.6 59.4 65.38 5.63 Occlusal plane 3.7 1.9 11.42 3.64 Interincisal 117.3 125.0124 09 7.63 L-1 to Occlusal L-1 to 24.5 23.84 5.28 16.1 Mandibular 86.7 96.33 5.78 U-1 to A-P plane 1.88 13.5 9.2 8.92 FMIA 70.2 63.6 54.63 6.47 FH to SN plane 17.0 15.0 6.19 2.89 SNA 75.3 72.7 82.32 3.45 SNB 72.1 78.90 3.45 70.8 SNA-SNB diff. 3.1 1.9 3.39 1.77 U-1 to N-P plane 14.9 10.6 11.74 2.73 U-1 to FH plane 132.9 118.6 111.13 5.54 U-1 to SN plane 115.9 103.5 104.54 5.55

Figure 15. Polygon after active treatment

4.61

4.40

122.23

87.07

Superimposition (1) - Superimposed on SN at S - Superimposed on Palatal plane at ANS - Superimposed on Mandibular plane at Me - 16y5m before - 19y9m after - 19y9m after

Figure 16. Superimposition after active treatment

This is a case with one central incisor congenital missing resulting in a large overjet (10mm), so extraction of two upper bicuspids to get a desirable treatment result can be taken into account.

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Based on the Bolton's ratio, the data we measured are as follows:

Gonial angle

Ramus inclination

126.0

83.4

125.9

83.8

Because of large decay (#25), if # 14 and #25 were extracted

•Over-all ratio: #36 to# 46 #16 to# 26 x100%= 93.3% (mean 90%)

Therefore, we extracted #14 and #25 for a better arch coordination.



Figure 17. Extraction strategy

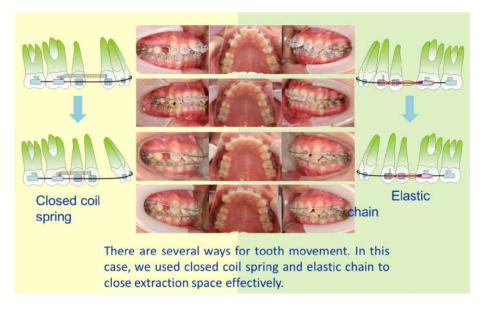


Figure 18. Atypical extraction

We can see this case as atypical finishing because of central incisor congenital missing. So what we should consider is as follows :

- occlusion canine relationship, occlusal adjustment
- · harmonious anterior arch alignment



Figure 19. Atypical finishing



Figure 20. Overjet control

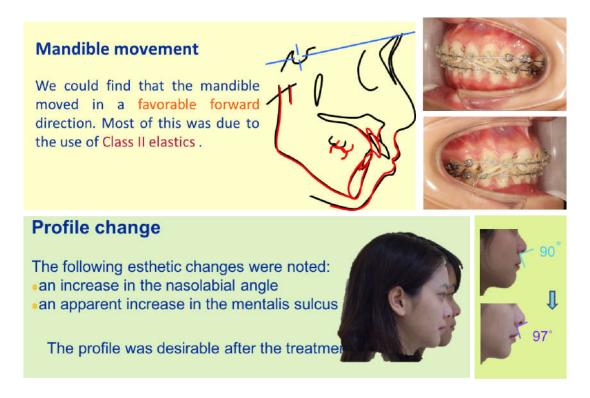


Figure 21. Mandibular response

Treatment Progress: Treatment was started from 2011.05.02. with upper and lower arch DBS and leveling with 0.016 x 0.022 ISW with curve added.#13 distal drive with 100gf closed coil-spring and #23 #24 distal drive with FMR was performed at the first day of DBS.(Fig.6). On 2011.07.02. after two months of active treatment, anterior retraction was followed by canine distal drive and on 2012.03.03. IME was used for achievement of better inter-digitation (Fig.7). Active tie back over upper arch and IME was also used in the treatment and overjet was decreased and shown in the figure (Fig.8). Lower arch leveling with ISW curve and elastic chain over #33 and #34 for #33 derotation was also performed. (Fig.9)

Treatment Results: After 16 months of active treatment, on 2012.07.25, root parallelism was checked and re-bonding of teeth for ideal root parallelism, IME (inter-maxillary elastics) were used to achieve better cusp inter-digitation (Fig.10). For the total treatment time of 16 months, a stable occlusion was achieved and esthetic appearance was improved after the treatment (Fig. 11&12). After 16 months period of orthodontic active treatment, lateral cephalometric projection and panoramic x-ray filmswas taken, polygon and superimposition after active treatment was analyzed and denture pattern improved prominently (U1 to FH plane: 132.9°→118.6°, L1 plane: $80.4^{\circ} \rightarrow 86.7^{\circ}$, Inter-incisal angle: $117.3^{\circ} \rightarrow 125.0^{\circ}$). And the change of skeletal pattern was also considerable noticed after active treatment (SNA: $75.3^{\circ} \rightarrow 72.7^{\circ}$, SNB: $72.1^{\circ} \rightarrow 70.8^{\circ}$, ANB: $3.1^{\circ} \rightarrow 1$. 9°) (Fig. 13~16)

DISCUSSION

Patient showed congenital missing central incisor and large overjet. In this case, we corrected anterior tooth inclination and reduced her large overjet rapidly by ISW. Because of congenital missing tooth, an attempt to obtain an adequate overjet should be considered carefully.

Furthermore, we referred to the Bolton ratio in order to decide extraction strategy. ISW showed good resilience to achieve better physiologic arch form adaption. IME were used to achieve better inter-digitation. After the active treatment, a desirable outcome was achieved and the patient was pleased with the treatment result (Tsai, 1998; Anderson, 1975; Kindelan et al., 1998; Stafne et al., 1975; Sperber, 1963; Arte, 1963; Burzynski, 1983; Hoffmeister, 1977; Lapter et al., 1988; Newman, 1988; Stimson, 1997; Ulrich, 1990; Goldenberg et al., 2000; Bolton, 1962; Buchner, 1964; Levin, 1964; Nagaveni, 2009; Newman, 1967; Silva Meza, 2003).

Extraction strategy: This is a case with one central incisor congenital missing resulting in a large overjet (10mm), so extraction of two upper bicuspids to get a desirable treatment result can be taken into account. The over-all ratio of #14#25 extraction was calculated more accurate to the mean value of the definition. Therefore, extraction of 14 and #25becomes the extraction strategy of the case (Fig.17)

Atypical extraction: There are several ways for tooth movement. In this case, we used closed coil spring and elastic chain to close extraction space effectively. (Figure.18)

Atypical finishing: We can see this case as atypical finishing because of central incisor congenital missing. So what we should consider is as follows:

- Occlusion canine relationship, occlusal adjustment
- Harmonious anterior arch alignment
- Dental midline will be compromised. (3 incisors finish)

Gingival contour was greatly improved and became harmonious and lower anterior arch became well aligned after the active treatment (Figure.19)

Overjet control: We used closed coil spring (right side) and elastic chain (left side) and active tie-back (as in the figure) to close upper extraction space and to adjust anterior teeth

inclination(U1-FH:132.9° \rightarrow 118.6°). In the same time, we used ISW reverse curve and IME to allow the lower anterior teeth flared-out (L1-Mand:80.4° \rightarrow 86.7°). (Figure.20)

Mandibular response: We could notice the mandibular movementthat the mandible moved in afavorable forward direction. The effect was mainly resulted from the use of Class II elastics. And for the profile change, the following esthetic changes were noted:

- Increase in the nasolabial angle
- Apparent increase in the mentalis sulcus

The profile was desirable after the active treatment. (Figure.21)

Conclusion

Treatment of Angle Class I with lower central incisor congenital missing case by ISW (Improved Super-elastic Ti-Ni alloy wire, developed by Tokyo Medical and Dental University) was discussed in the article. With successful ISW Active tie back, anterior tooth inclination was improved and large overjet was reduced. Inter-maxillary elastics (IME) were also used for inter-digitation during the treatment. After

16 months of active treatment, a stable occlusion and a desirable esthetic outcome was achieved and the patient was pleased with the treatment result after the active treatment. To conclude, congenital missing of mandibular incisors can lead to compromised dental and facial aesthetics and therefore requires appropriate treatment, but adult patient case with Angle Class I lower central incisor congenital missing can be treated with ISW treatment.

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